

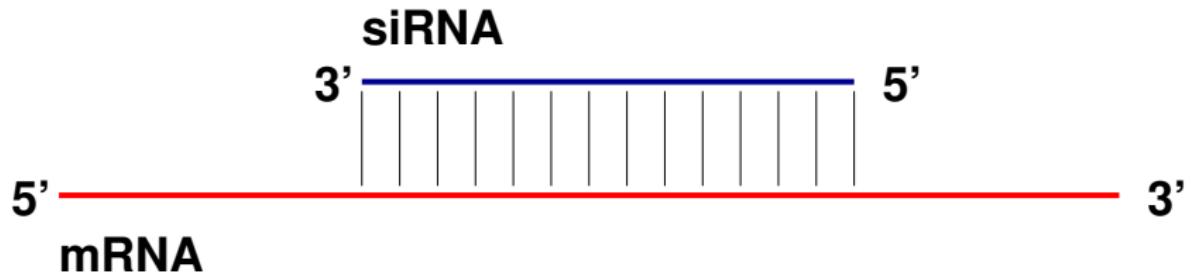
# Comparison of siRNAs with high or low efficiency

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# siRNA - mRNA interaction



## Dataset: siRecord

- ▶ interactions between siRNA and its target mRNA
- ▶ 975 interactions with high silencing efficiency
- ▶ 551 interactions with low silencing efficiency
- ▶ subset: HEK293VECTOR  
celltyp: HEK293; transfection via vector
  - ▶ 204 interactions with high silencing efficiency
  - ▶ 76 interactions with low silencing efficiency

# Information provided by RNAup

- ▶ structural context of a binding site
  - ▶  $P_u[i, j]$  region  $[i, j]$  contains no secondary structure  
the unstructured regions can reside within:  
a hairpin, an interiorloop, a multiloop, the exterior loop
- ▶ location of possible binding sites
  - ▶  $P^*[i, j]$  probability of a regional interaction
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# Differences between siRNA - mRNA interactions with high or low efficiency?

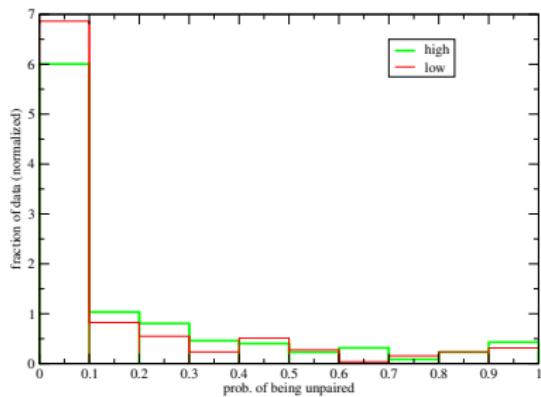
- ▶ Probability of unstructured regions
- ▶ Probability of interaction
- ▶ Energetics of interaction

# Probability of unstructured regions - target site

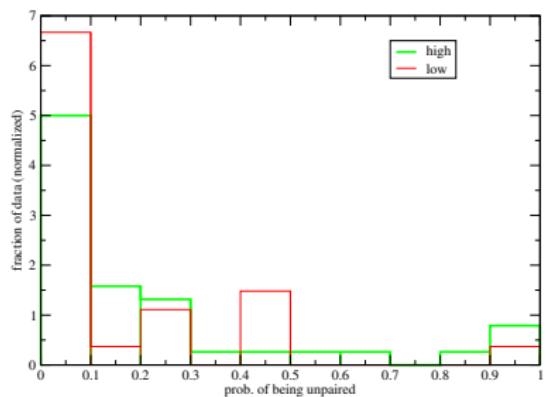
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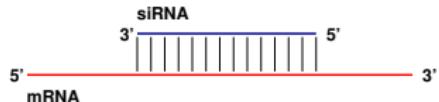


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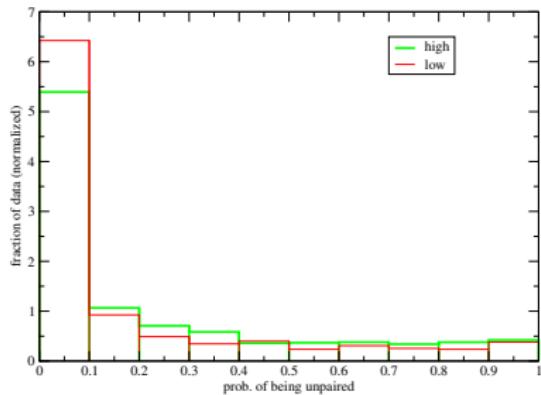
# Probability of unstructured regions - off target

3' end of siRNA, interior loop contributions - pos. [-5,-1]



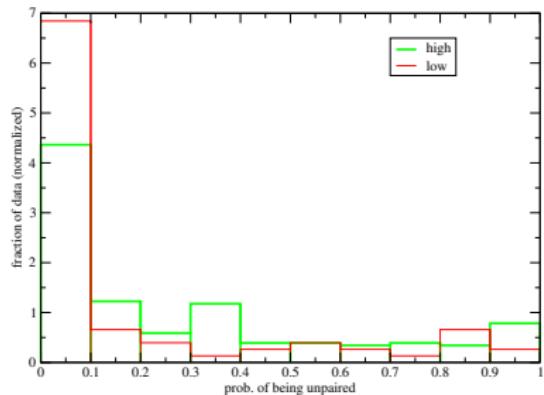
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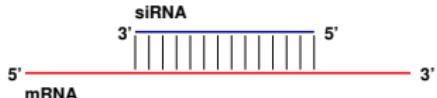
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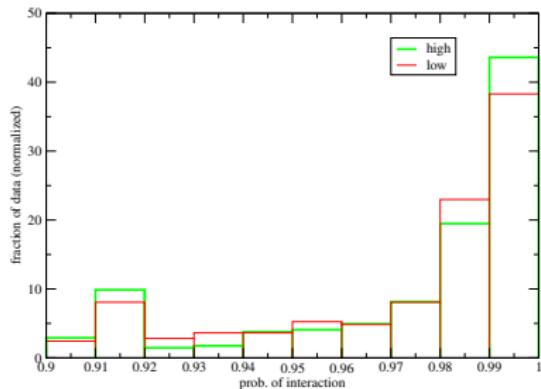
# Probability of interaction

5' end of siRNA, positions 1,2



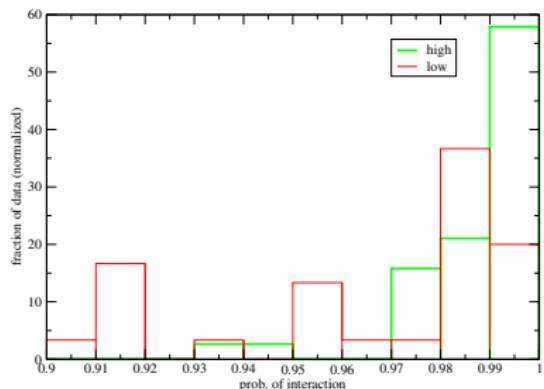
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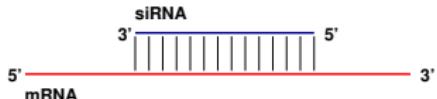
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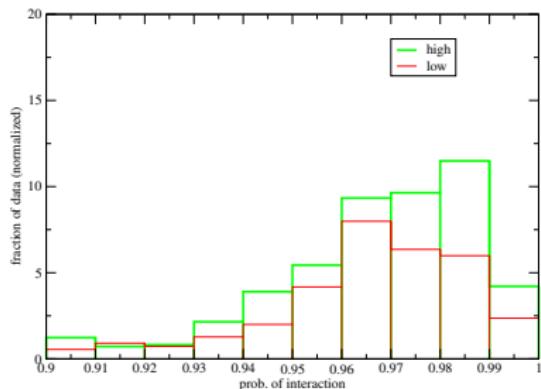


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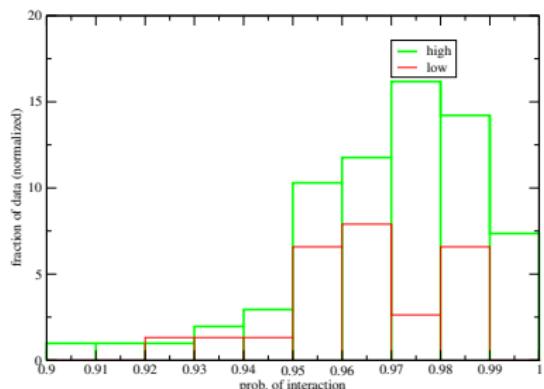
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## Questions to the audience

- ▶ differences between the structural context and the probability of interaction
- ▶ (how) can we use these differences to discriminate between siRNAs with high or low efficiency?
- ▶ support vector machines?
- ▶ statistical methods? sequence patterns?
- ▶ more data?

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