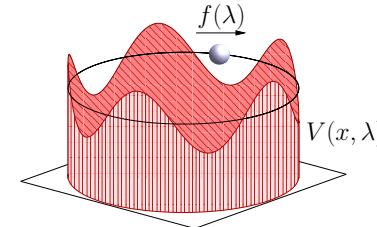


# **Inference and localization of entropy production beyond the thermodynamic uncertainty relation**

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- $\geq 2005$ : ent'production along finite-time trajectories
- $\geq 2015$ : thermodynamic uncertainty relation
- $\geq 2023$ : Markovian events and snippets



- Entropy production in stochastic th'dynamics

- Langevin dynamics  $\dot{x} = \mu[-V'(x) + f] + \zeta$  with  $\langle \zeta_1 \zeta_2 \rangle = 2\mu T \delta(t_2 - t_1)$

- first law [(Sekimoto, 1997)]:

$$dw = du + dq$$

- \* applied work:  $dw = f dx + \partial_\lambda V(x, \lambda) d\lambda$

- \* internal energy :  $du = dV$

- \* dissipated heat:  $dq = dw - du = [-\partial_x V(x, \lambda) + f]dx = T ds^{\text{res}}$

- total entropy as quantitive measure of broken time reversal symmetry

$$x(t) \rightarrow \tilde{x}(t) \equiv x(T-t)$$

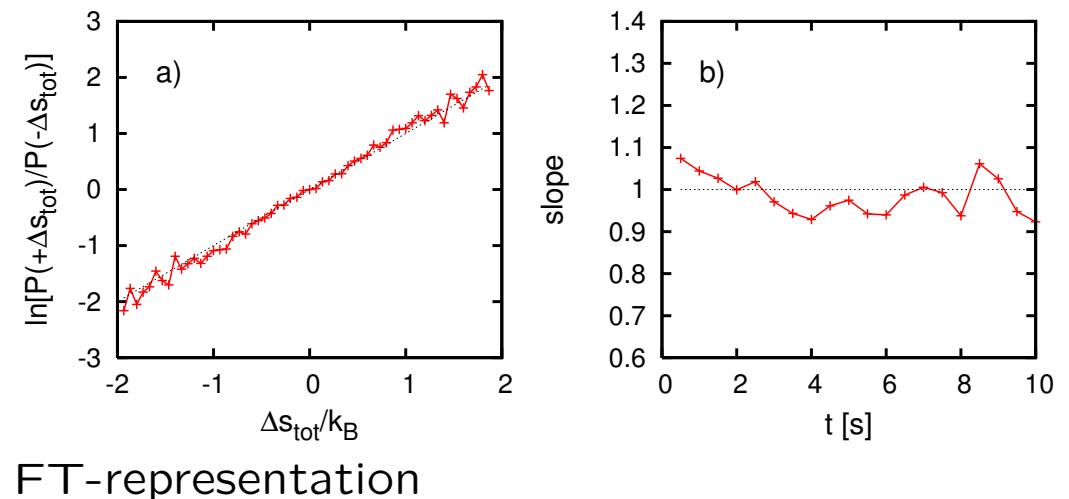
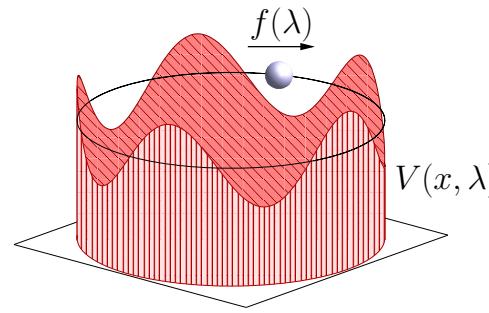
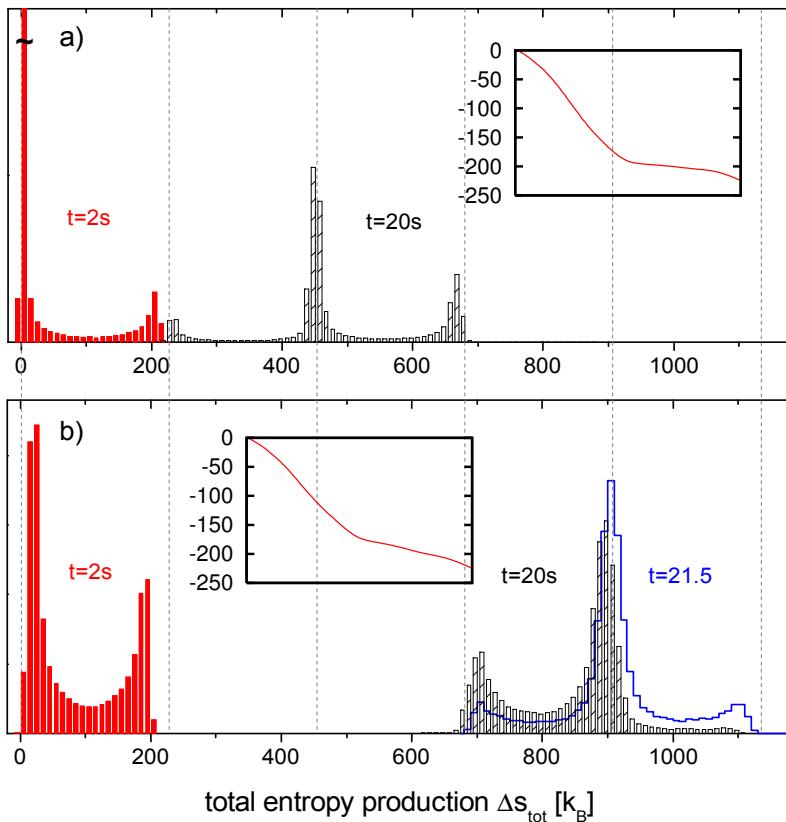
$$\Delta s^{\text{tot}}[x(t)] \equiv \ln[p[x(t)]/\tilde{p}[\tilde{x}(t)]] = \Delta[-\ln p^s(x)] + q/T$$

- IFT for total entropy production  $\langle \exp[-\Delta s^{\text{tot}}] \rangle = 1 \Rightarrow \langle \Delta s^{\text{tot}} \rangle \geq 0$  [U.S., PRL 2005]

- Fluctuation theorem  $p(-\Delta s^{\text{tot}})/p(\Delta s^{\text{tot}}) = \exp(-\Delta s^{\text{tot}})$  in any NESS

Evans et al (1993), Gallavotti & Cohen (1995), Kurchan (1998), Lebowitz & Spohn (1999), U.S. (2005)

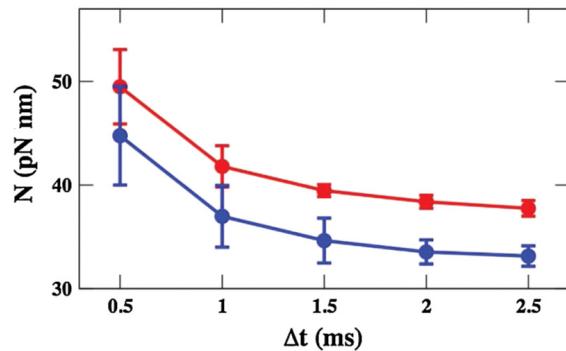
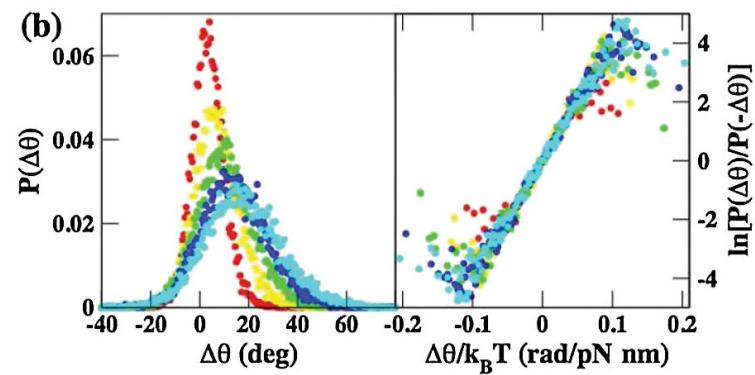
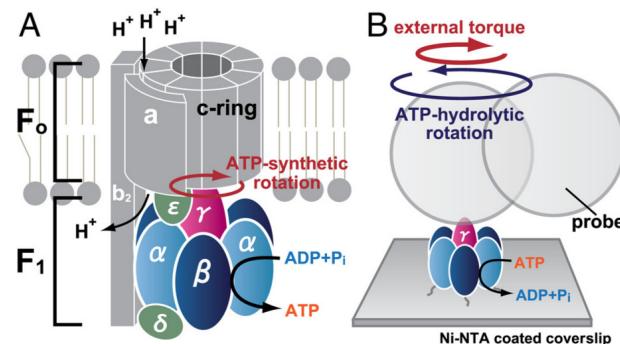
- Experimental data [Speck, Blickle, Bechinger, U.S., EPL **79** 30002 (2007)]



FT-representation

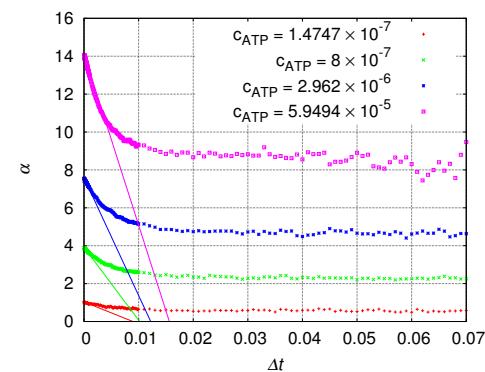
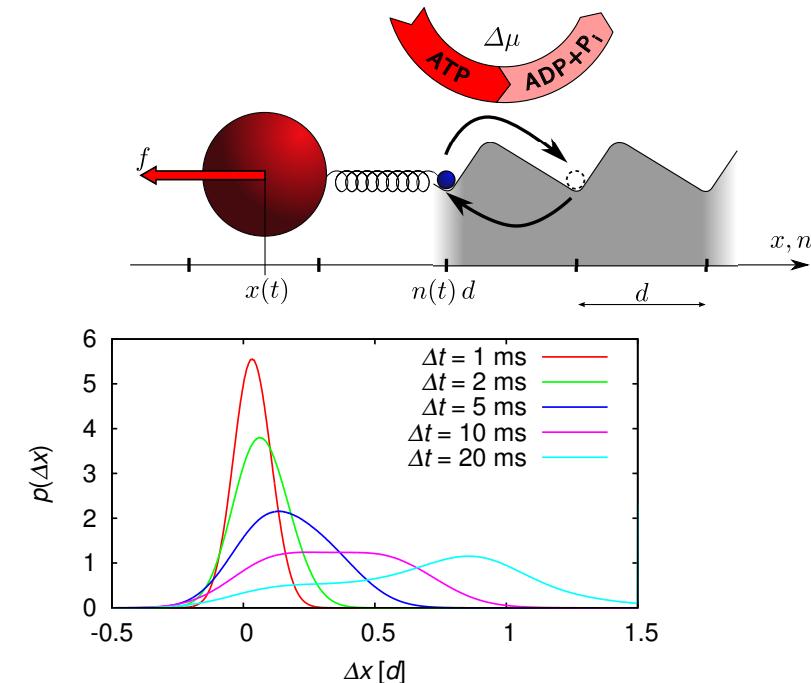
- F1-ATPase and the fluctuation theorem

[K. Hayashi et al, PRL 104, 218103 (2010)]



### Hybrid model

[E. Zimmermann and U.S., NJP 14, 103023, 2012]



- Two faces of thermodyn' inequalities

$$\Delta s^{\text{tot}} > f(\text{"experimentally accessible"})$$

→ exp' accessible lower bound on entropy production

$$\Delta s^{\text{tot}} > f(\text{"something desirable"})$$

→ minimal thermodynamic cost of achieving "something desirable"

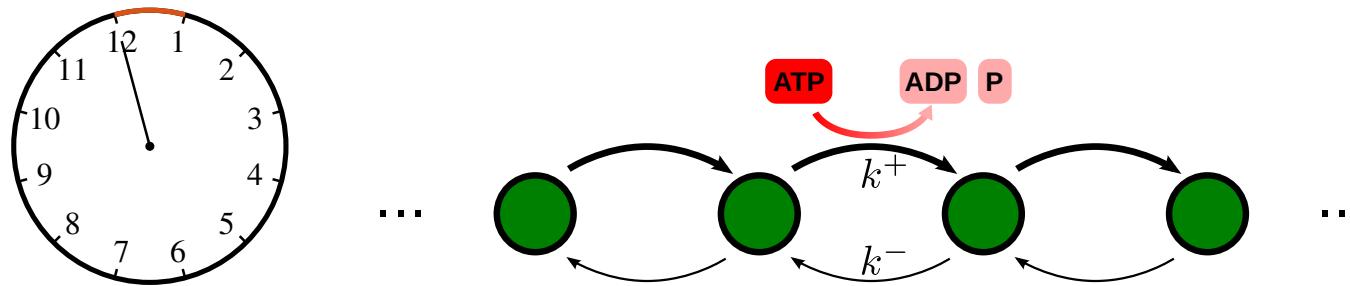
- Temporal precision in an aqueous finite-temperature environment



precision of 1 sec/day will cost at least  $6 \times 10^{-11} \text{ J/day}$

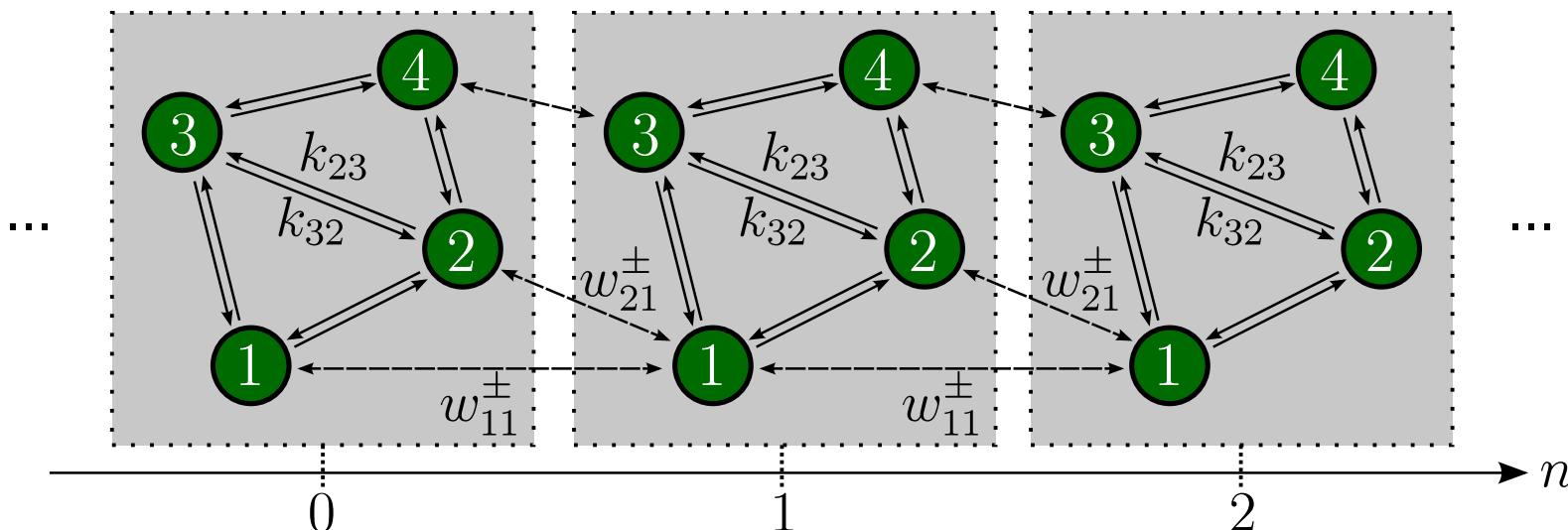
- Cost of running a simple clock: ARW

[AC Barato and US, Phys. Rev. Lett. 114, 158101, 2015 ]



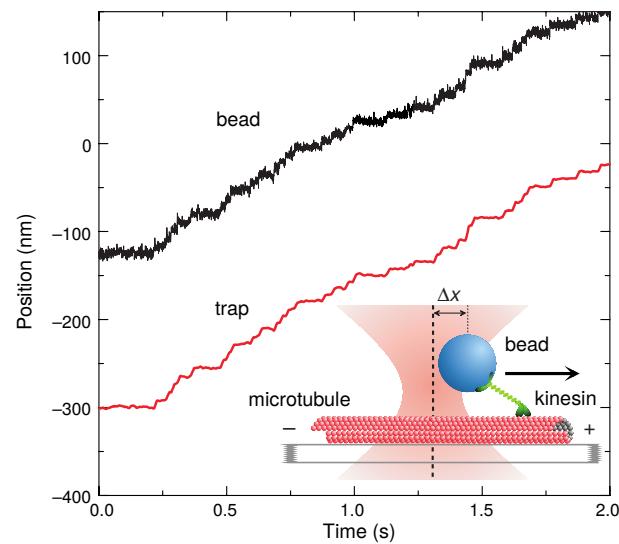
- output  $n(t)$  with  $\langle n \rangle = Jt = (k^+ - k^-)t$
- variance  $\langle (n(t) - \langle n \rangle)^2 \rangle = 2Dt = (k^+ + k^-)t$
- uncertainty  $\epsilon^2 \equiv \text{var}/\text{output}^2 = 2D/J^2 t$
- th'dyn cost  $\mathcal{C} = \sigma t = (k^+ - k^-) \ln(k^+/k^-)t$  with  $\sigma \equiv \text{rate of entropy production}$
- with affinity  $\mathcal{A} = k_B T \ln(k^+/k^-) = \mu_{\text{ATP}} - \mu_{\text{ADP}} - \mu_{\text{P}}$
- $\boxed{\mathcal{C}\epsilon^2 = 2\sigma D/J^2 = \mathcal{A} \coth[\mathcal{A}/2k_B T] \geq 2k_B T}$  independent of run time  $t$

- Thermodynamic uncertainty relation (TUR) holds for general multicyclic processes  
[AC Barato and US, Phys. Rev. Lett. 114, 158101, 2015; proof by Gingrich, Horowitz, ..., PRL 2016](#)



- $\mathcal{C} \geq 2k_B T/\epsilon^2$  for any th'dyn consistent process at finite  $T$
- a temporal precision of 1% costs at least  $20.000 k_B T$
- inevitable, universal cost of temporal precision (within stationary Markov processes)
- for any current  $j = \sum_{ij} d_{ij} n_{ij}$   $\sigma \geq j^2/D_j$
- violated for underdamped Langevin dynamics [P. Pietzonka, PRL 128, 130606, 2022]

- Thermodynamic inference: Efficiency of a molecular motor



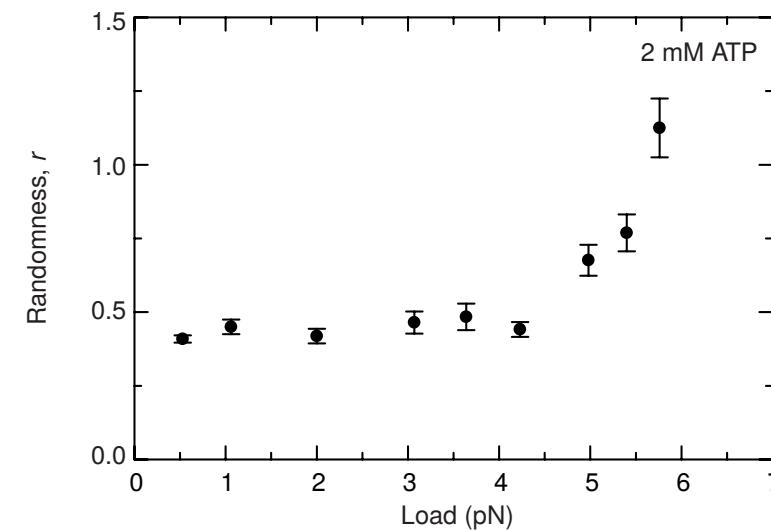
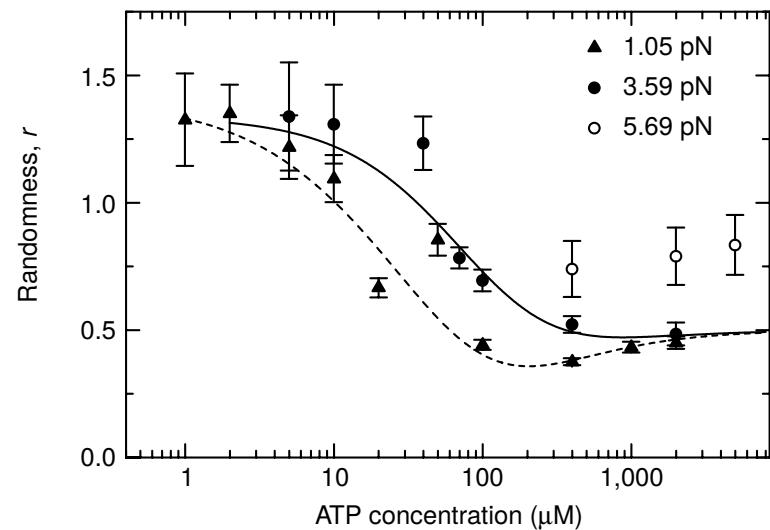
[Visscher et al, Nature, 1999]

– experimental data on

\* velocity  $v$

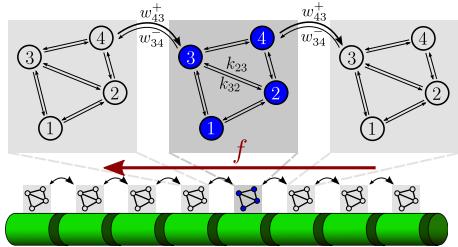
\* diffusion constant  $D$

\* randomness parameter  $r \equiv 2D/v\ell$



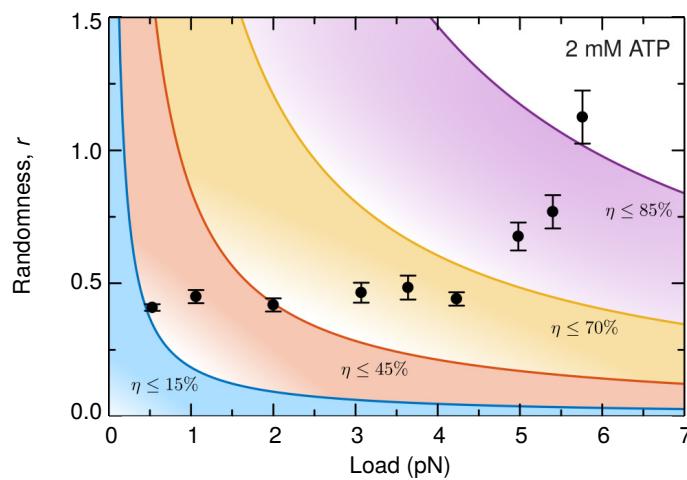
- Thermodynamic inference: Universal bound on the efficiency of molecular machines

[P. Pietzonka, AC Barato, U.S., J Stat Mech, 124004, 2016; U.S., Physica A 504, 176, 2018]



- entropy production rate  $\sigma = P^{\text{in}} - P^{\text{out}} = \text{inacc}' \text{ chem energy} - fv \geq v^2/D$
- efficiency

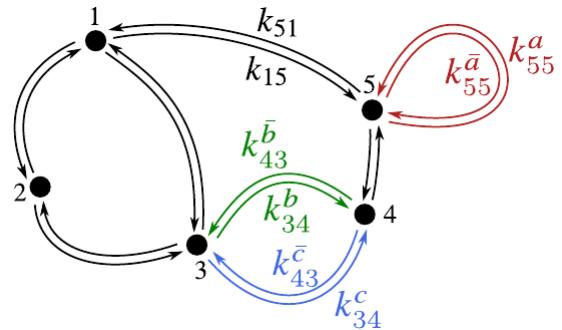
$$\eta \equiv \frac{P^{\text{out}}}{P^{\text{in}}} = \frac{fv}{\text{chem energy}} = \frac{fv}{fv + \sigma} \leq \frac{1}{1 + v k_B T / (Df)}$$



- independent of the specific chemo-mechanical cycles and of  $\Delta\mu$

- Inference from observing states for time-dependent driving

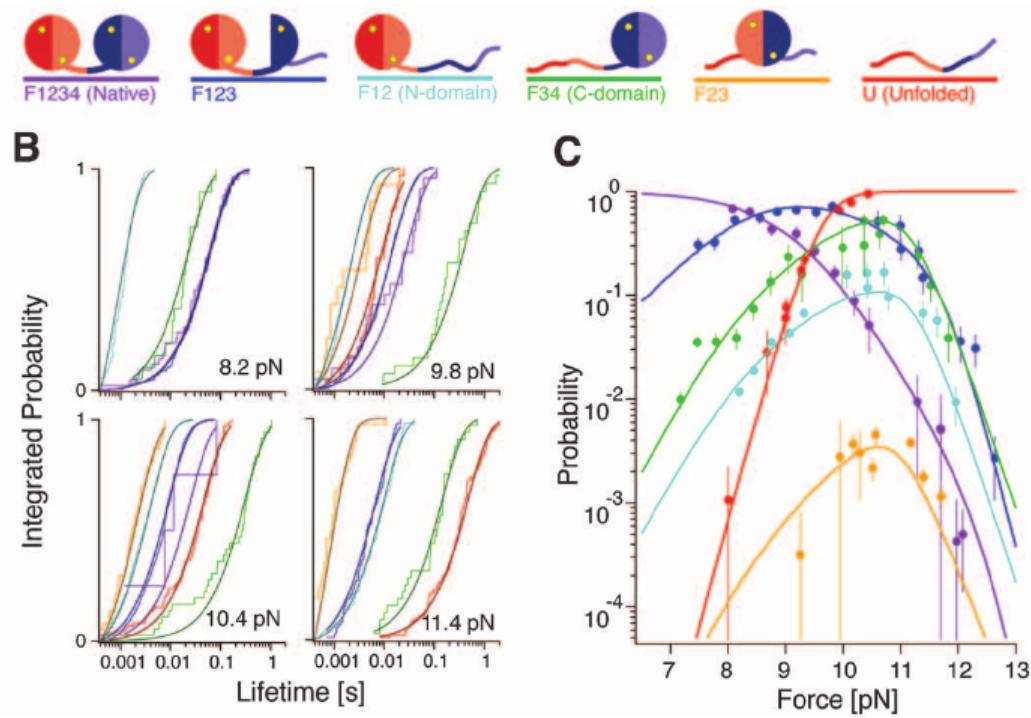
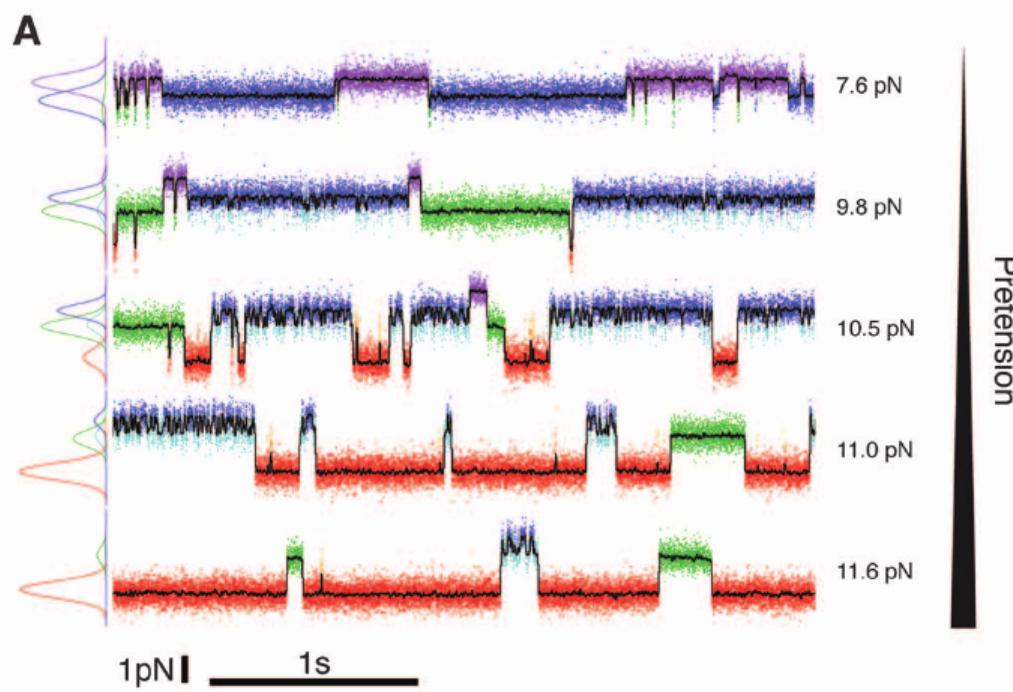
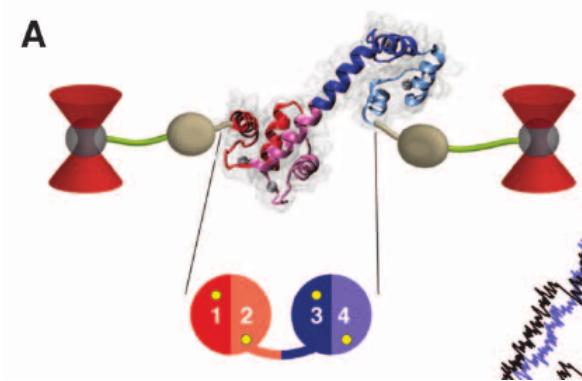
[T Koyuk and U.S., Phys. Rev. Lett. 125, 260604, 2020]



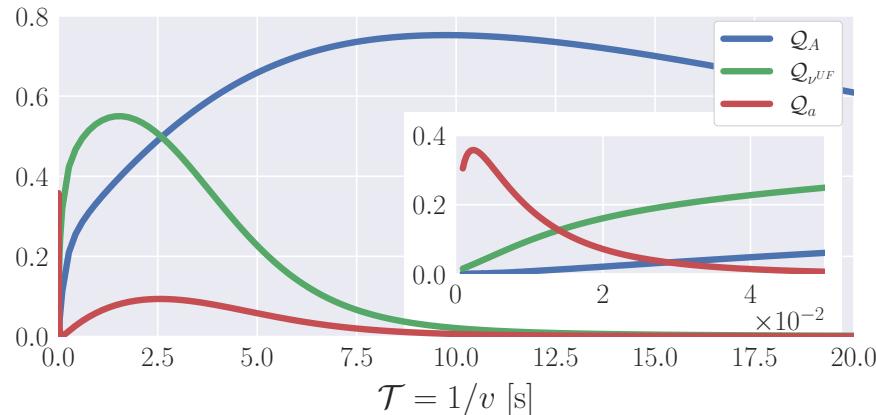
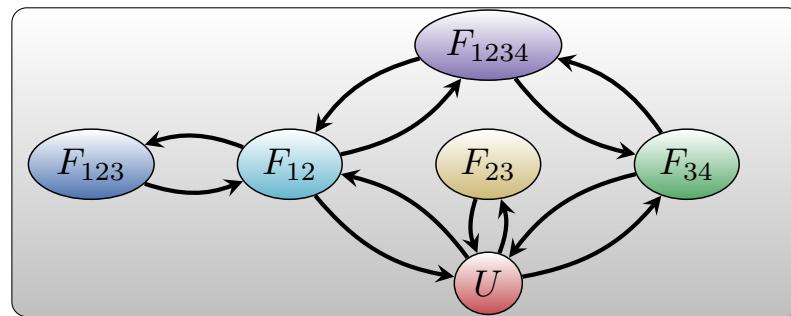
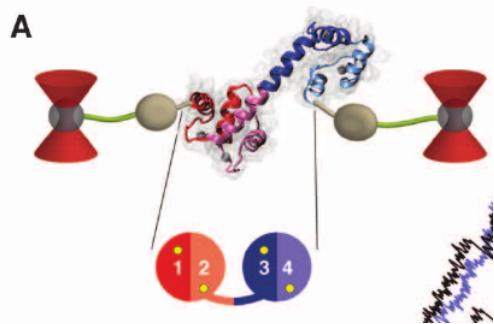
- network with rates  $k_{ij}(\lambda)$  that depend on a driving protocol  $\lambda = \lambda(t)$
  - protocol  $\lambda(t) = \lambda(vt)$  depends on an experimentally controlable speed parameter  $v$
  - system is driven for a total (observation) time  $t = \mathcal{T}$
  - observable  $A_i(\mathcal{T}, v) \equiv \tau_i/\mathcal{T}$  total time spent in state  $i$
- $$\{[\mathcal{T}\partial_{\mathcal{T}} - v\partial_v]\langle A_i(\mathcal{T}, v) \rangle\}^2 / D_{A_i}(\mathcal{T}, v) \leq \sigma(\mathcal{T}, v)$$
- same for observable  $a_i(\mathcal{T}, v) \equiv \delta_{n(\mathcal{T})i}$  state at final time
  - [cf for relaxation into eq: K. Liu, Z. Gong, and M. Ueda, PRL 125, 140602 (2020).]

- Biomolecule under a constant force

[J. Stigler et al, Science 334 512 (2011)]



- Application to unfolding of calmodulin under a force-ramp



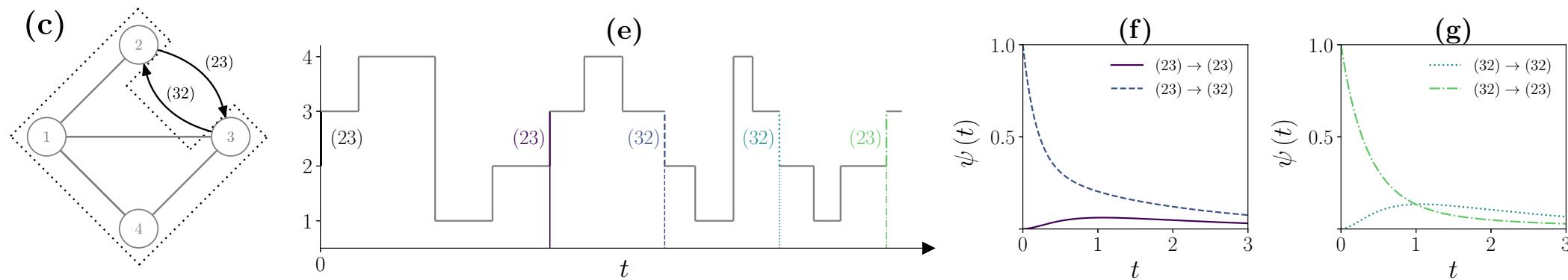
- force ramp  $f(t) = f_0 + \textcolor{brown}{v}t$
- observable  $a(\mathcal{T}, \textcolor{brown}{v}) \equiv \delta_{n(\mathcal{T})12}$  at final time [red]
- observable  $A(\mathcal{T}, \textcolor{brown}{v}) \equiv \tau_U/\mathcal{T}$  total time spent in unfolded state [blue]
- infer  $40 \simeq 80\%$  of entropy production with no model input whatsoever

- NESS: Beyond the TUR: Stronger inference from waiting-time distributions

Martinez, Bisker, Horowitz, Parrondo, Nat Comm 2019; Skinner and Dunkel, PRL 2021

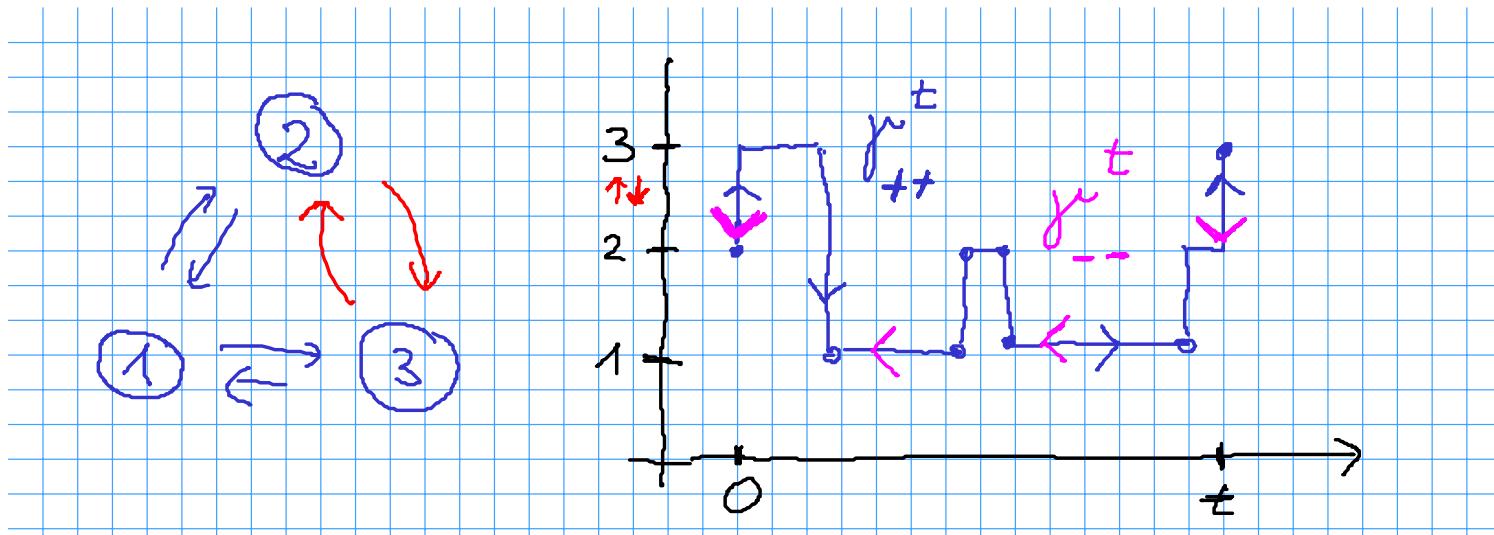
Ehrich, JSM 2021, Hartich and Godec, PRX 2021, Harunari, Dutta, Polettini, Roldan, PRX 12, 041026, 2022;

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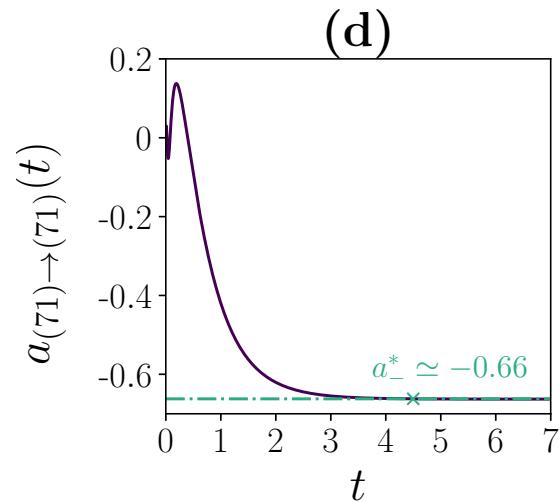
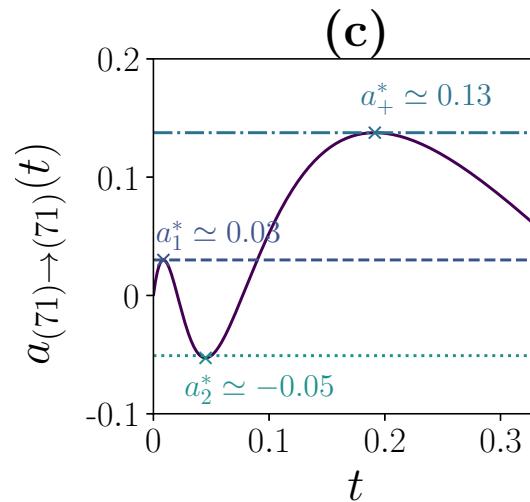
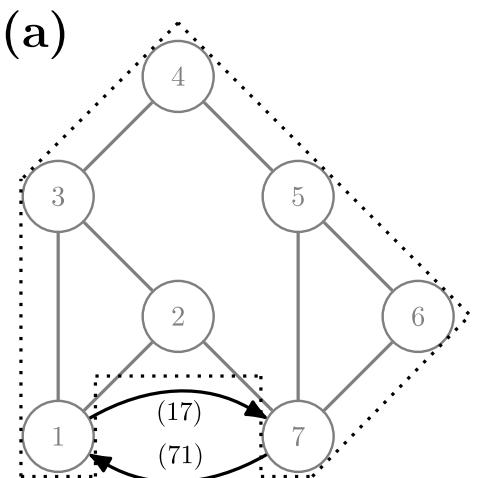
- waiting time between two consecutive transition, e.g.,  $\psi_{23 \rightarrow 23}(t) \equiv \psi_{++}(t)$
- ratio of waiting times  $a(t) \equiv \ln \psi_{++}(t)/\psi_{--}(t)$

- Unicyclic network with affinity  $A_c \equiv \ln \prod_i (k_i^+ / k_i^-)$ 
  - $a(t) \equiv \ln [\psi_{++}(t) / \psi_{--}(t)] = A_c$  [  $= \ln p(++) / p(--)$  ]
  - observing one link is sufficient to get the ent'prod rate  $\sigma = jA_c$ , better than TUR

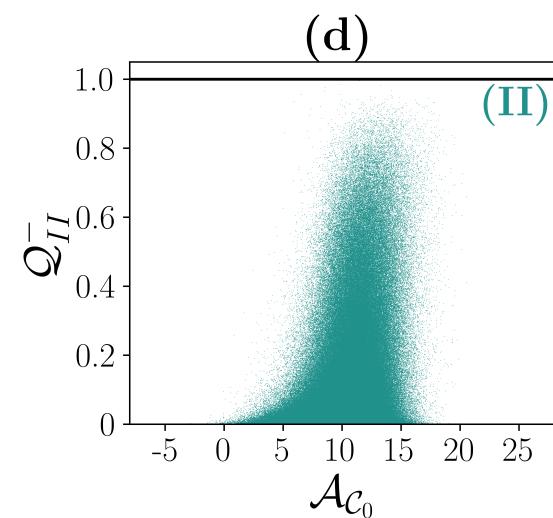
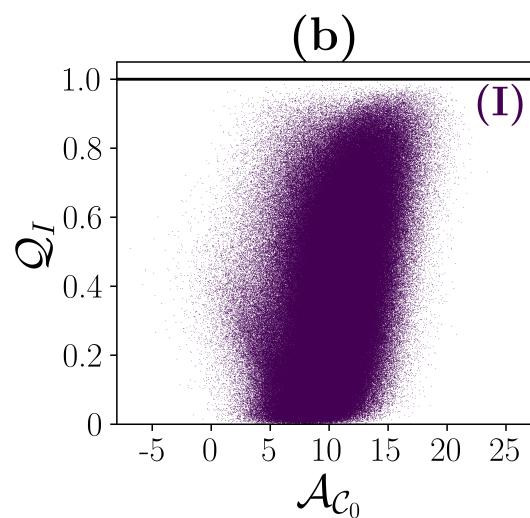


$$\begin{aligned} \psi_{++}(t) &= \sum_{\gamma_{++}^t} p(\gamma_{++}^t | + \text{ at } t=0) &= \sum_{\gamma_{--}^t} p(\gamma_{--}^t | - \text{ at } t=0) \exp[A_c] \\ &= \psi_{--}(t) \exp[A_c] \end{aligned}$$

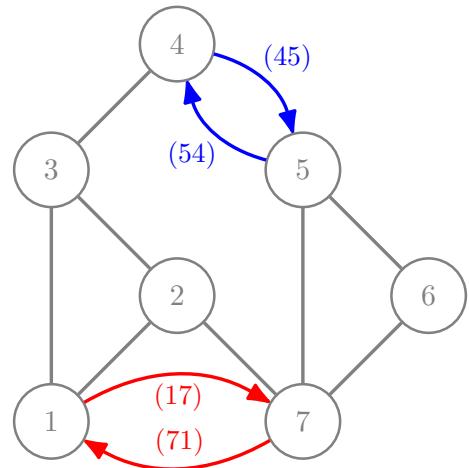
- One observed link in a multicyclic system



- $A_c \equiv \ln \prod_{ij \in c} (k_{ij}^+ / k_{ij}^-)$
- $a(t \rightarrow 0) = A_c(\text{shortest cycle})$
- $\max a(t) \leq \max A_c$
- $\min a(t) \geq \min A_c$



- Several observed links in a multicyclic system



- mean rate of an  $I$ -transition  $\nu_I$
- wt-distributions for consecutive transitions  $J$  after  $I$   $\psi_{IJ}(t)$
- lower bound on ent'production

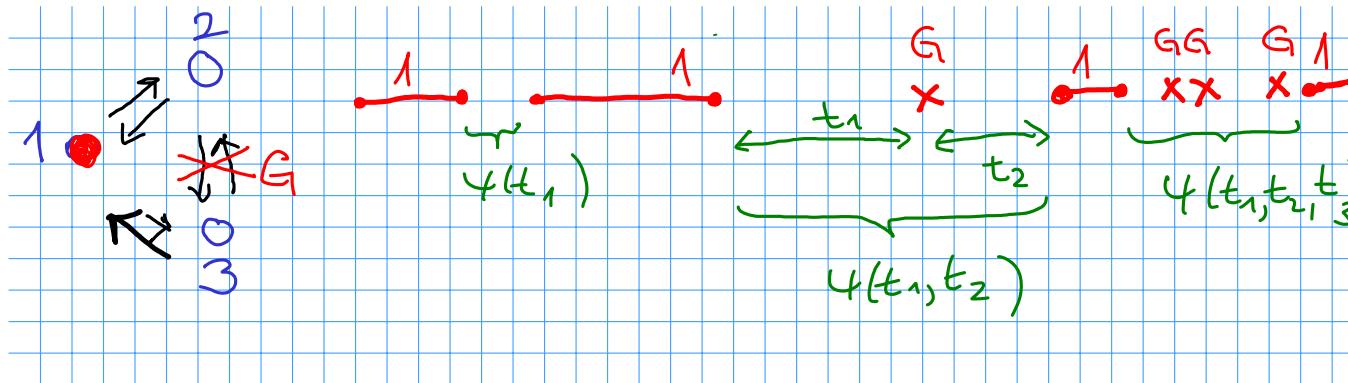
$$\sigma \geq \sum_{IJ} \int_0^\infty dt \nu_I \psi_{IJ}(t) \ln [\psi_{IJ}(t)/\psi_{J\bar{I}}(t)]$$

- equality if all  $\psi_{IJ}(t)/\psi_{J\bar{I}}(t)$  are time-independent

- Markovian events and snippets

[J. van der Meer, J. Degünther, U.S, PRL 130 257101, 2023]

- observe only state 1 and transition  $G = \{2 \rightarrow 3 \text{ or } 3 \rightarrow 2\}$



- waiting time distributions

$$* \psi(t_1) = \sum_{\gamma|1 \rightarrow 1 \text{ with no } G} p[\gamma]$$

$$* \psi(t_1, t_2) = \sum_{\gamma|1 \rightarrow 1 \text{ with one } G} p[\gamma]$$

- normalization  $1 = \sum_{\gamma|1 \rightarrow 1} p[\gamma] = \int_0^\infty dt_1 \psi(t_1) + \int_0^\infty dt_1 \int_0^\infty dt_2 \psi(t_1, t_2) + \dots$

- entropy estimator

$$\sigma \geq \hat{\sigma} = \frac{1}{t} \sum_{k>1} \prod_j \int_0^\infty dt_j \psi(t_1, \dots, t_k) \ln [\psi(t_1, \dots, t_k) / \psi(t_k, \dots, t_1)]$$

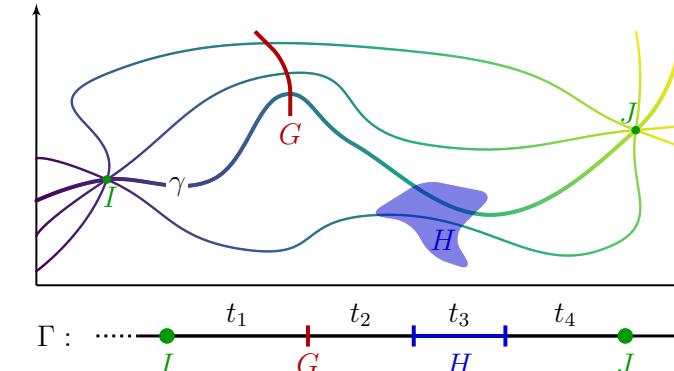
- infer irreversibility even from time-symmetric events

- Generalization to a fluct' coarse-grained ent' production

[J. Degünther, J. van der Meer, U.S, Phys Rev Res 6, 023175 (2024)]

- Markovian events  $\{I, J, K, \dots\}$  with  $p[\gamma_+|I, \gamma_-] = p[\gamma_+|I]$
- Markovian snippets  $\Gamma^s : I \xrightarrow{t, \mathcal{O}} J$  between such events
- further data  $\mathcal{O}$  (like  $G$  and  $H$ ) between such events
- coarse-grained trajectory  
 $\Gamma = (I_0 \xrightarrow{t_1, \mathcal{O}_1} I_1 \xrightarrow{t_2, \mathcal{O}_2} I_2 \xrightarrow{t_3, \mathcal{O}_3} \dots \xrightarrow{t_n, \mathcal{O}_n} I_n) = \Gamma_1^s + \Gamma_2^s + \dots + \Gamma_n^s$

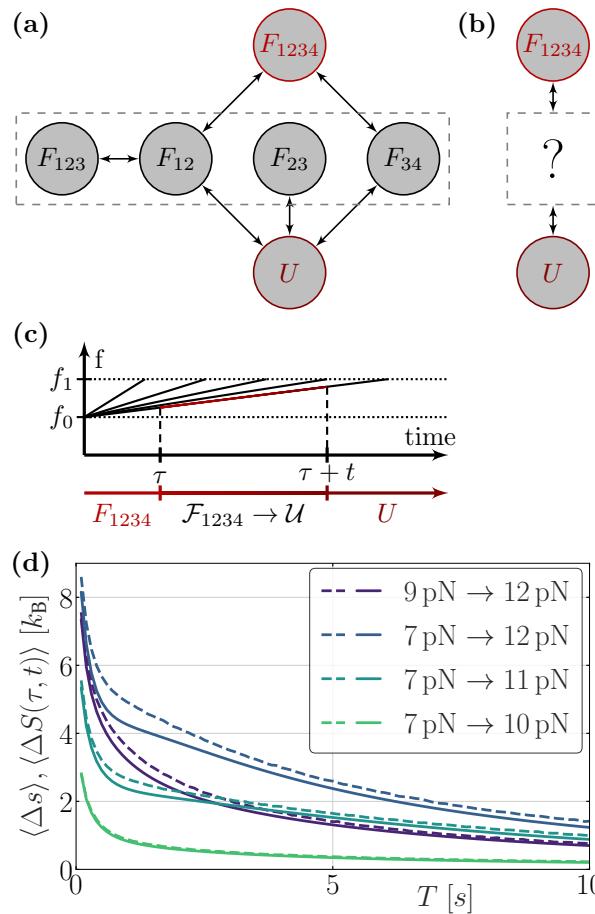
with weight  $p[\Gamma|I_0] = p[\Gamma_1^s|I_0]p[\Gamma_2^s|I_1]p[\Gamma_3^s|I_2]\dots p[\Gamma_n^s|I_{n-1}]$



- ent'prod of a Markovian snippet  $\Delta S[\Gamma^s] = \ln\{p(I)p[\Gamma^s|I]/p(J)p[\tilde{\Gamma}^s|\tilde{J}]\}$
- ent'prod of a coarse-grained trajectory  $\Delta S[\Gamma] = \sum_i \Delta S_i[\Gamma_i^s]$ 
  - \* distribution  $p(\Delta S)$  obeys DFT (for even  $I, J$ )  $p(-\Delta S)/p(\Delta S) = e^{-\Delta S}$
  - \* th'dyn'ly consistent bound  $\Delta S[\Gamma] \leq \langle \Delta s[\gamma] | \Gamma \rangle$  from IFR  $e^{-\Delta S[\Gamma]} = \langle e^{-\Delta s[\gamma]} | \Gamma \rangle$
- recover similar structure for  $\Delta S[\Gamma]$  as we had in 2005 for  $\Delta s[\gamma]$

- Localization of ent'production for time-dependent driving in time and “space”

[J. Degünther, J. van der Meer, U.S, PNAS, e2405371121, 2024]

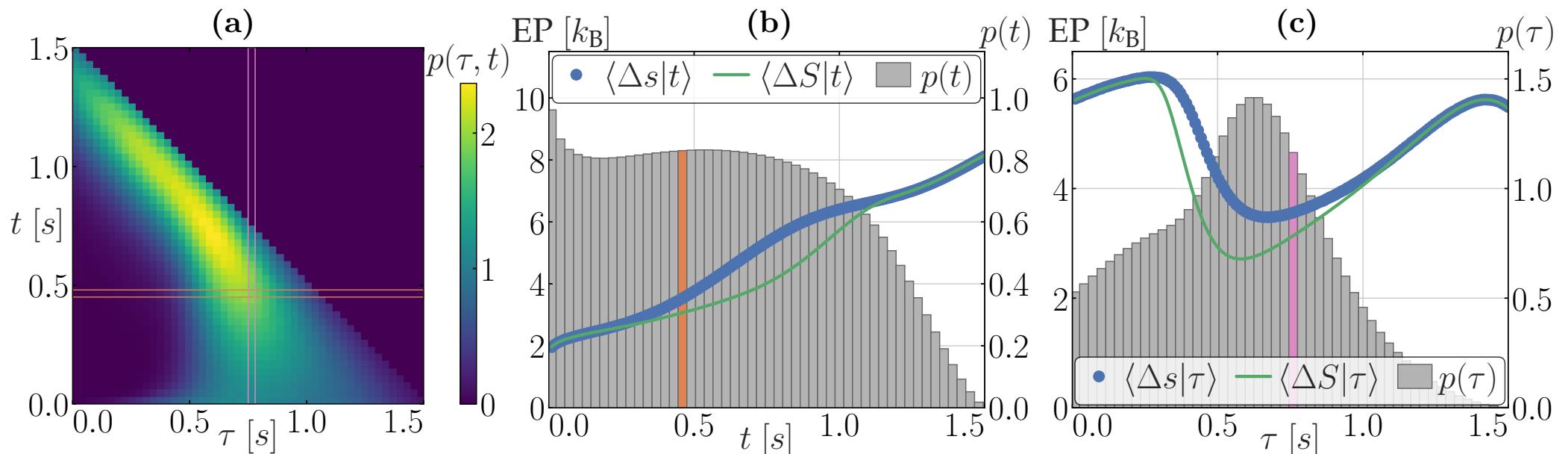


- unfolding of calmodulin under a force ramp
- leaving  $F_{1234}$  and entering  $U$  is observable
- mean ent'prod only of unfolding events

- Time-resolved entropy production

$$p(\tau, t)$$

entropy production of unfolding events



as a function of the duration  $t$

... of the onset  $\tau$

- quite good estimate (green/blue)
- early starters and late ones are rare and expensive

- stochastic thermodynamics established as
  - . universal, thermodynamically consistent, quantitative framework
- thermodynamic uncertainty relation provides a universal constraint on
  - ... the dispersion of any current in terms of the overall ent'prod rate
  - ... the cost of temporal precision
  - ... efficiency of any molecular motor (-complex)
- thermodynamic inference based on waiting times and Markovian events/snippets
  - reveals hidden properties of biochemical/-physical/-molecular systems
  - allows localizations of ent'production in space and time
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