

Formalizing an optimization problem for inferring the entropy production from observed statistics

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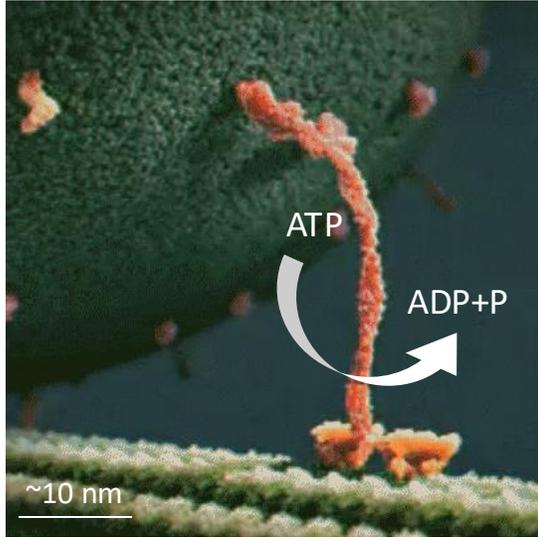
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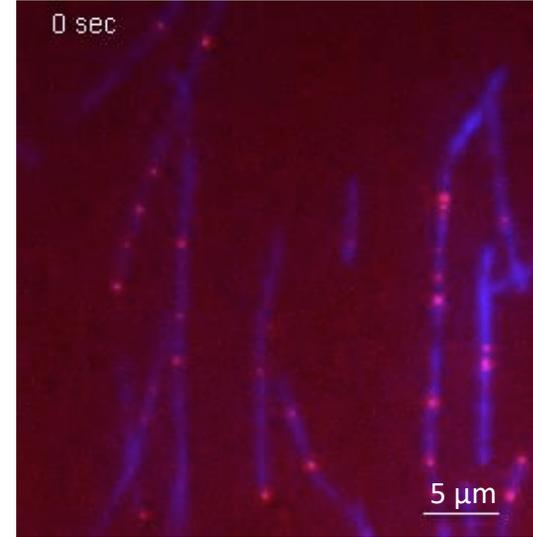
Quantitative irreversibility



- Small systems are subjected to thermal fluctuations.



- Entropy production constrains the amount of extractable work
- Only partial information is available.



The **entropy production rate** \dot{S} can be estimated by the **distinguishability** between forward and **reverse** trajectories, quantified by the **KLD**.

Entropy production rate

Distinguishability between forward and reverse trajectories

$$\dot{S} \geq \dot{S}_{\text{KLD}} \equiv \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{k_B}{t} D[\mathcal{P}(\gamma_t) || \mathcal{P}(\tilde{\gamma}_t)]$$

Forward trajectory of duration t

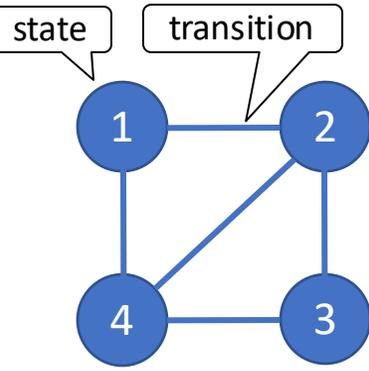
Reverse trajectory

Parrondo, den Broeck, Kawai, New J. Phys., 2009

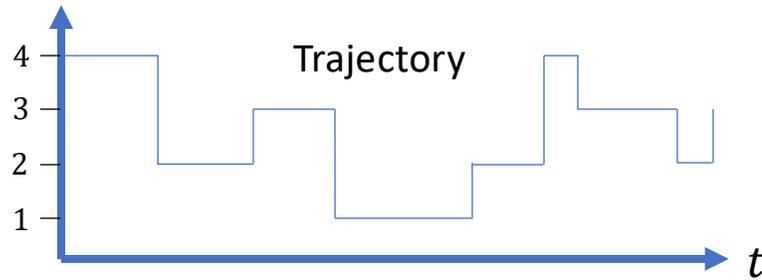
The Kullback-Leibler divergence (KLD), or the relative entropy, measures of how different two probability distributions are.

$$D[p(x) || q(x)] = \int_x dx p(x) \ln \frac{p(x)}{q(x)} \geq 0$$

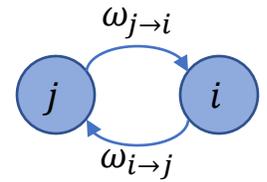
Stochastic Thermodynamics



Continuous-Time Markov Chain (CTMC)

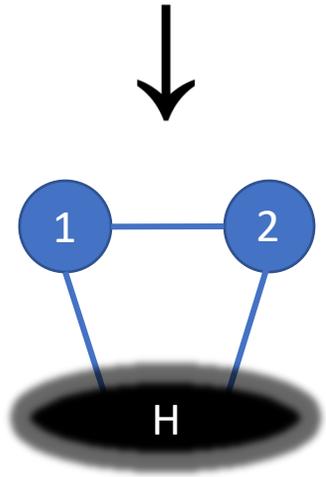
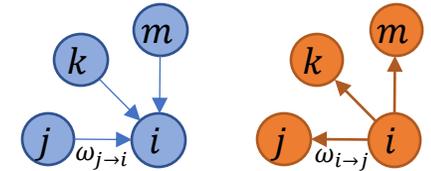


- W – Rate matrix
- $W_{ij} = \omega_{j \rightarrow i}$ transition rate $j \rightarrow i$
- Dynamics: $\dot{p} = Wp$



$$\dot{p}_i = \sum_j W_{ij} p_j = \sum_{j \neq i} (p_j \omega_{j \rightarrow i} - p_i \omega_{i \rightarrow j})$$

At the long-time limit, the system reaches a **steady state** $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} p_i(t) = \pi_i$



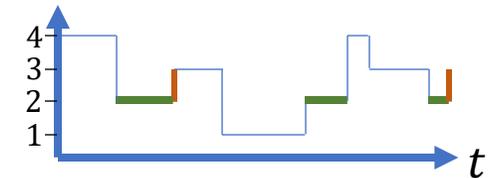
Total Entropy Production Rate (EPR)

$$\dot{S} = \sum_{j>i} \underbrace{(\pi_j \omega_{j \rightarrow i} - \pi_i \omega_{i \rightarrow j})}_{\text{Current, } J_{j \rightarrow i}} \ln \underbrace{\frac{\pi_j \omega_{j \rightarrow i}}{\pi_i \omega_{i \rightarrow j}}}_{\text{Thermodynamic force}} \geq 0$$

$$\dot{S} = \sum_{j>i} (n_{ji} - n_{ij}) \ln \frac{n_{ji}}{n_{ij}} \geq 0$$

Mass rates

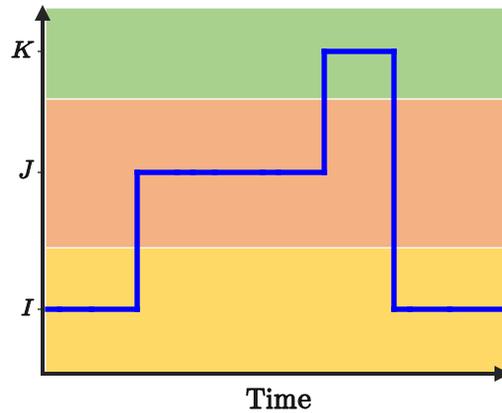
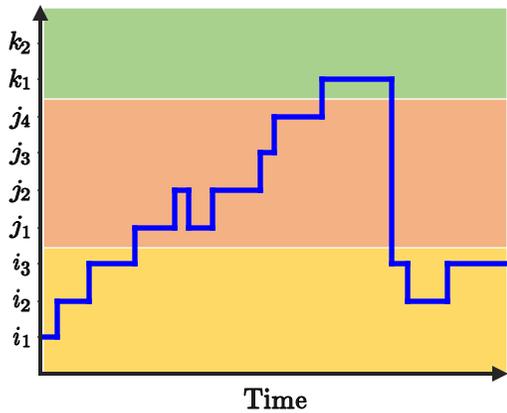
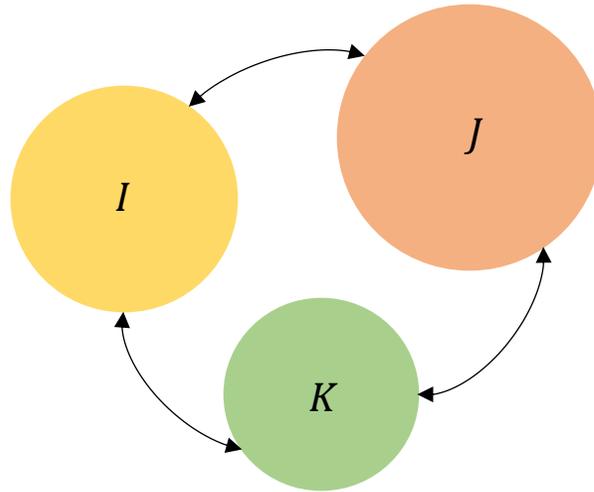
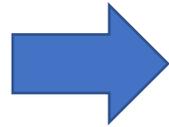
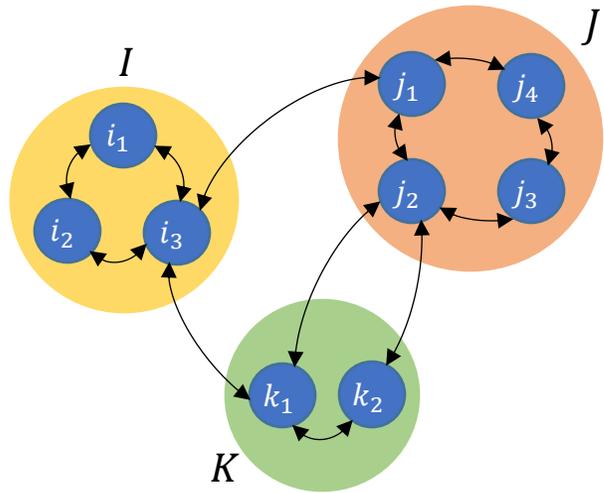
$$n_{ij} = \pi_i \omega_{i \rightarrow j}$$



$$\pi_2 = \frac{\text{Time@2}}{\text{Total time}} \quad n_{23} = \frac{\#2 \rightarrow 3}{\text{Total time}}$$

- Only partial information is available
- A lower bound on the total EPR
- Non-Markovian dynamics (2nd-order semi-Markov)

Coarse-graining



How do we estimate the EPR from the observed trajectory?

Notice:
Non-Markovian dynamics

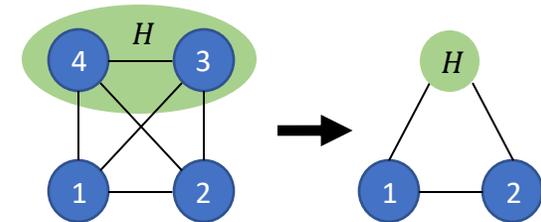
Bounds on the total entropy production rate

σ_{pp} - Passive Partial EPR

Shiraishi, N. and Sagawa, T. *Physical Review E*, 2015

- EPR from transitions between observed Markovian states

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_{pp} &= (\pi_1 \omega_{1 \rightarrow 2} - \pi_2 \omega_{2 \rightarrow 1}) \log \left(\frac{\pi_1 \omega_{1 \rightarrow 2}}{\pi_2 \omega_{2 \rightarrow 1}} \right) \\ &= \underbrace{(n_{12} - n_{21})}_{\text{Current } 1 \rightarrow 2} \log \left(\frac{n_{12}}{n_{21}} \right)\end{aligned}$$



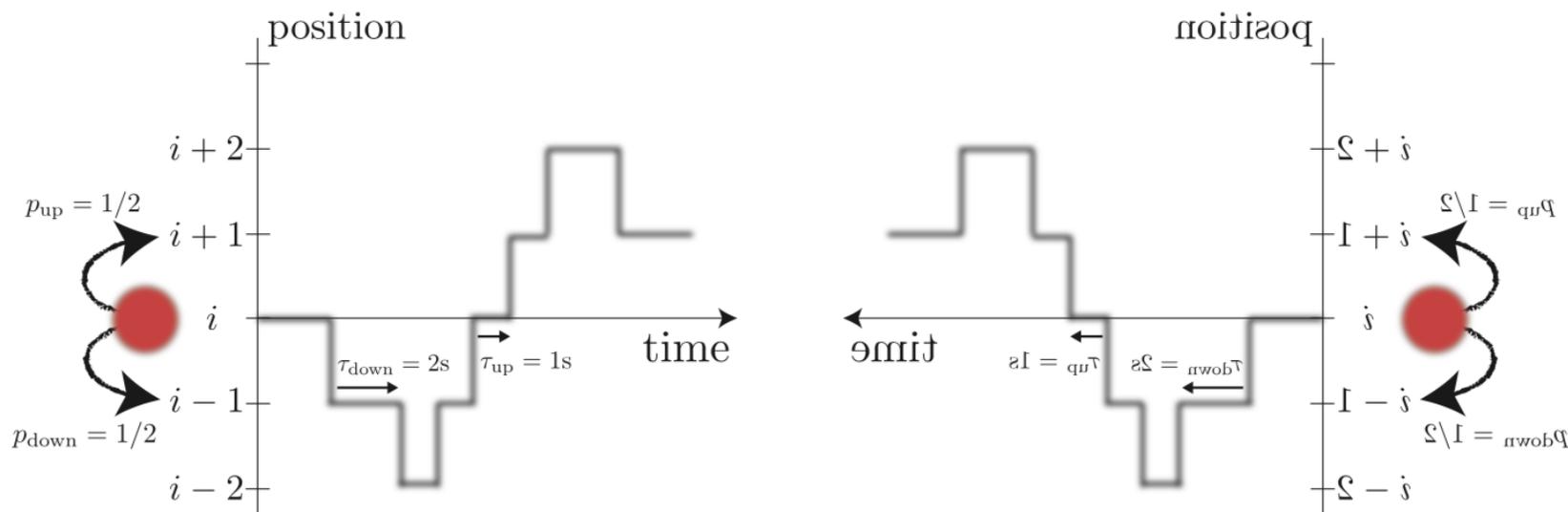
- No observed currents = trivial bound of 0

Bounds on the total entropy production rate



σ_{KLD} - Kullback–Leibler Divergence Bound

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Note: this is a **non-Markovian** system, as the residence time depends on the direction of the transition

Bounds on the total entropy production rate

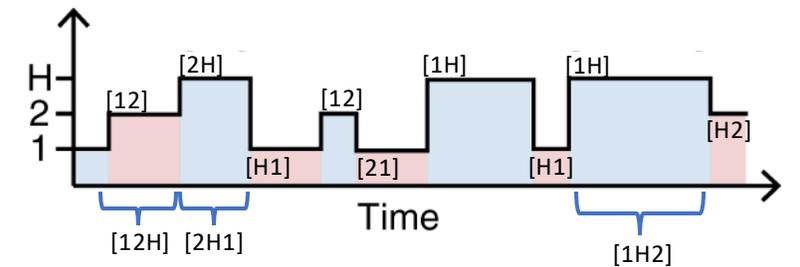
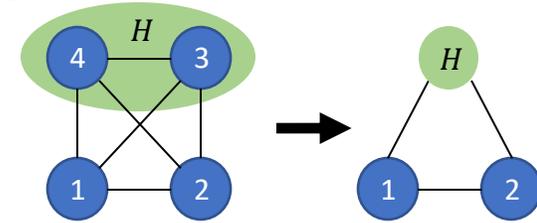


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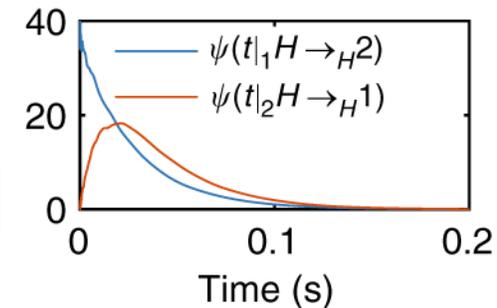
- Consider states $[ij]$
- Kullback-Leibler Divergence for **second-order semi-Markov process**

$$\sigma_{KLD} = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \mathcal{D}[\mathcal{P}(\gamma_T) || \mathcal{P}(\tilde{\gamma}_T)] = \sigma_{aff} + \sigma_{WTD}$$



$$\sigma_{aff} = \frac{1}{\mathcal{J}} \sum_{I,J,K} p(IJK) \log \left(\frac{p([IJ] \rightarrow [JK])}{p([KJ] \rightarrow [JI])} \right)$$

$$\sigma_{WTD} = \frac{1}{\mathcal{J}} \sum_{I,J,K} p(IJK) \mathcal{D}[\psi(t|[IJ] \rightarrow [JK]) || \psi(t|[KJ] \rightarrow [JI])]$$



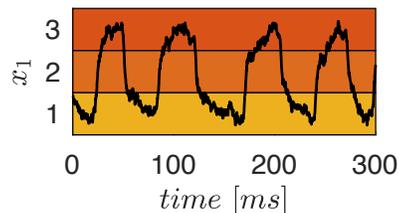
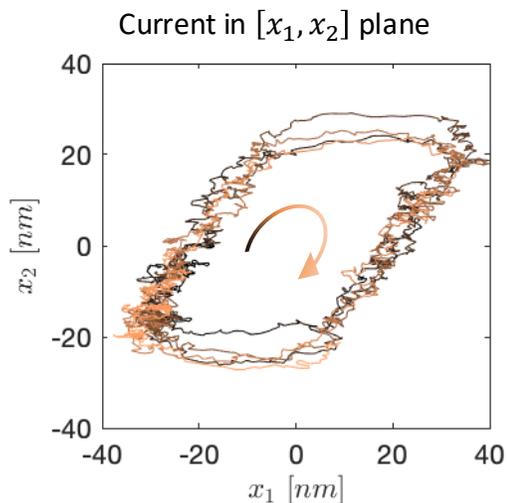
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Inferring entropy production in continuous variable systems from partial information

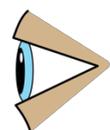
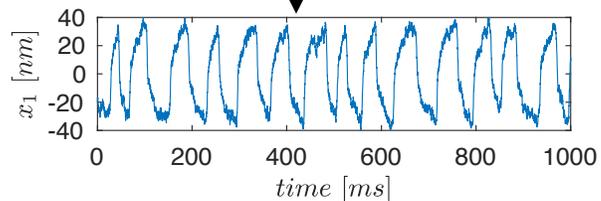
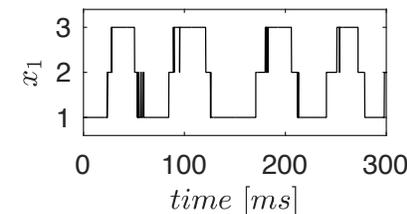


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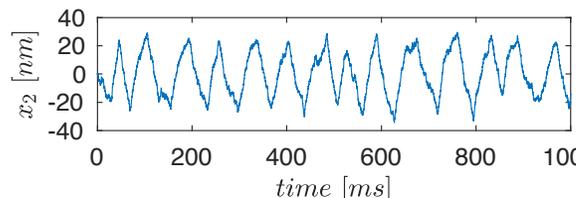


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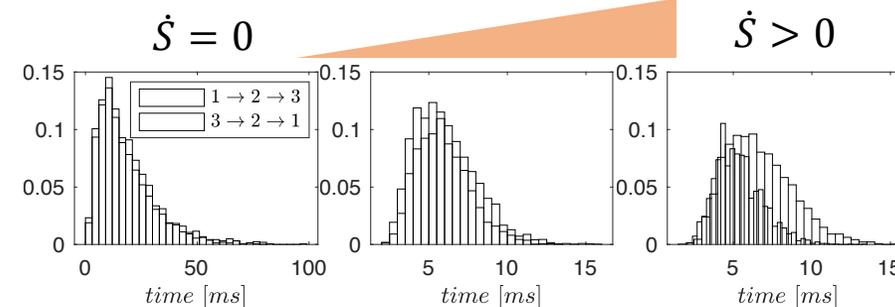


Observed

Currents may appear as only fluctuations in partially observed systems



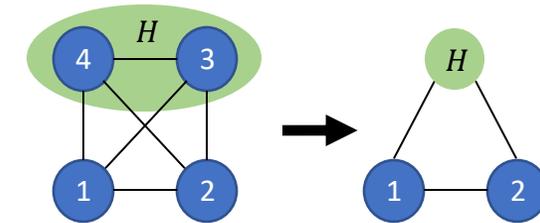
Unobserved



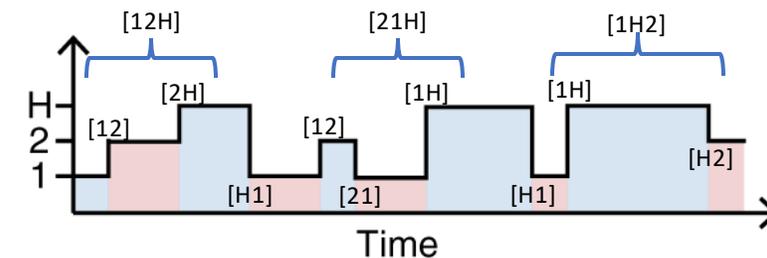
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σ_2 Bound

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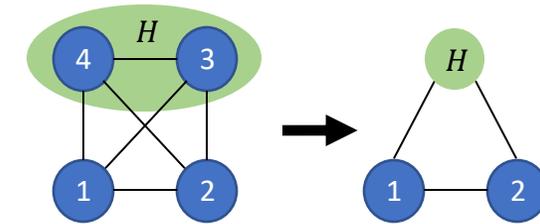
- Considering the first- (\mathcal{O}_1) and second-order (\mathcal{O}_2) **transition statistics**
 - \mathcal{O}_1 - first order observed mass rates n_{IJ}
 - \mathcal{O}_2 - second order observed mass rates n_{IJK}



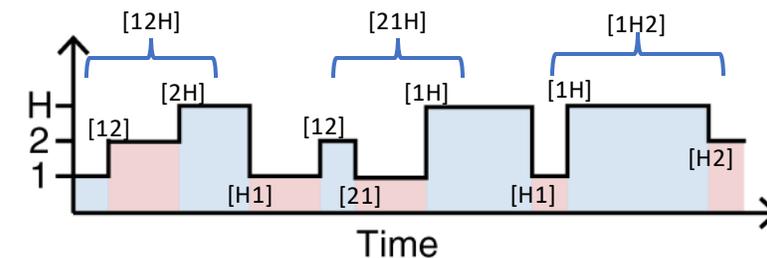
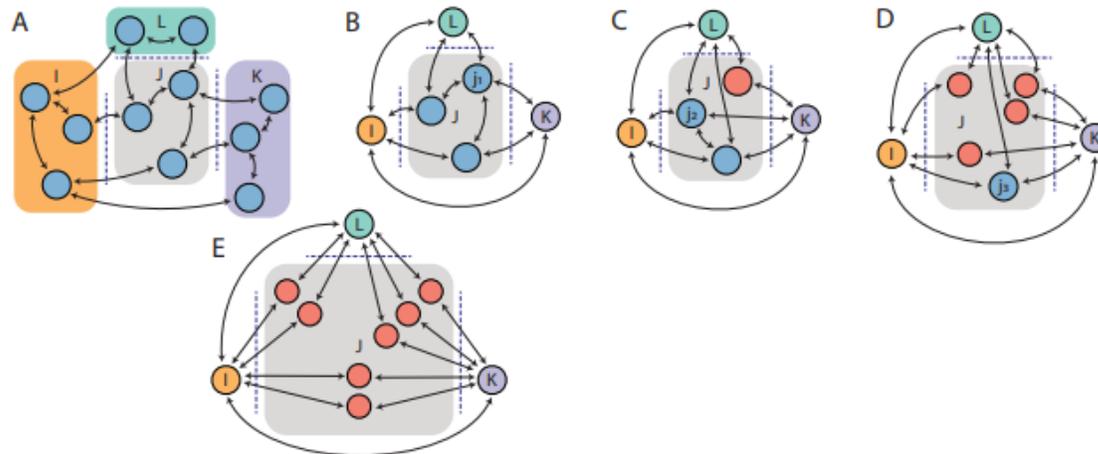
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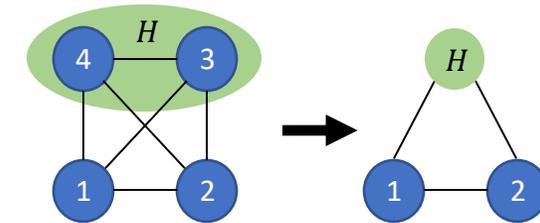
- Considering the first- (\mathcal{O}_1) and second-order (\mathcal{O}_2) **transition statistics**
- Transforming the system into a **canonical form**
 - Conserving the considered statistics
 - Not raising the EPR



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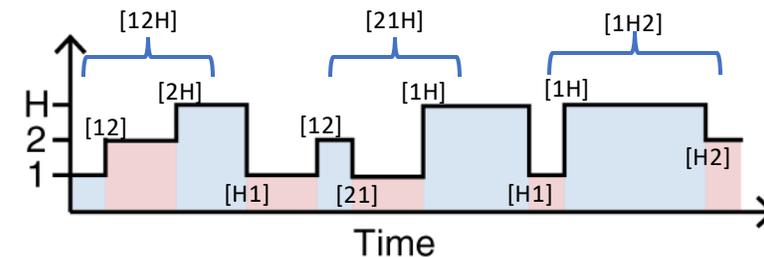
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- Considering the first- (\mathcal{O}_1) and second-order (\mathcal{O}_2) **transition statistics**
- Transforming the system into a **canonical form**
- Formalizing an optimization problem with constraints

$$\sigma_2(J) = \sum_{I \neq J \neq K} \min_{\text{Canonical form } \mathcal{R}_{IJK}} \{ \sigma_{tot}(\mathcal{R}_{IJK}) | n_{IJ}, n_{JI}, n_{JK}, n_{KJ}, n_{IJK}, n_{KJI} \}$$

$$\sigma_2 = \frac{1}{2} \sum_J \sigma_2(J)$$



What information is exploited?

Bound	σ_{pp}	σ_{aff}	σ_{KLD}	σ_2	?
Information used	Transitions between observed Markovian states n_{ij}	Statistics for second-order semi-Markov process [IJ] → [JK] Transitions only!	Statistics for second-order semi-Markov process [IJ] → [JK] Transitions and waiting times	First- and second-order transitions statistics of the observed states n_{IJ}, n_{IJK}	

Hierarchy of the bounds:

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{pp} &\leq \sigma_{aff} \leq \sigma_{KLD} \\ \sigma_{pp} &\leq \sigma_2 \end{aligned}$$

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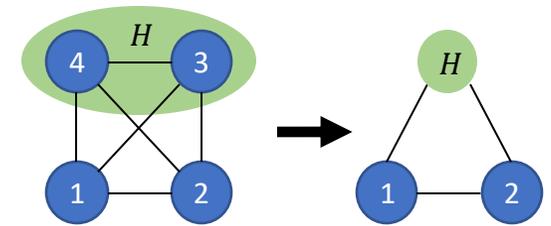
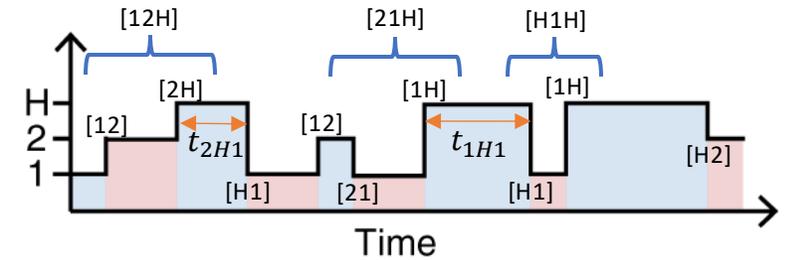
Skinner & Dunkel:

in addition to observing enough conditional transitions to construct both waiting time distributions. It is, in principle, possible to construct systems where $\sigma_{WTD} > \sigma_2$, although this does not apply for any of the synthetic and experimental data considered in the present study. In any case, if sufficient trajectories are observed to calculate waiting time distributions, one could define an estimator $\hat{\sigma} = \max\{\sigma_2, \sigma_1 + \sigma_{WTD}\}$, to construct what is currently the best possible estimate.

New bound on the total entropy production rate

σ_{opt}

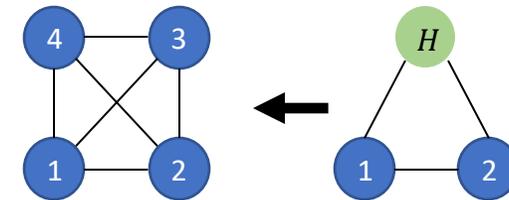
- Steady state probabilities – π_I
- First- and second-order transitions statistics – n_{IJ}, n_{IJK}
- Conditional waiting time statistics – $\psi_{IJK}(t)$
- **Requirement:** The underlying topology!



$$\sigma_{opt}^{(\infty)}(\mathcal{S}) = \min_{\mathcal{R}} \{ \sigma_{tot}(\mathcal{R}) \mid \forall_{I,J,K}: \pi_I^{\mathcal{R}} = \pi_I^{\mathcal{S}}, n_{IJ}^{\mathcal{R}} = n_{IJ}^{\mathcal{S}}, n_{IJK}^{\mathcal{R}} = n_{IJK}^{\mathcal{S}}, \psi_{IJK}^{\mathcal{R}}(t) = \psi_{IJK}^{\mathcal{S}}(t) \}$$



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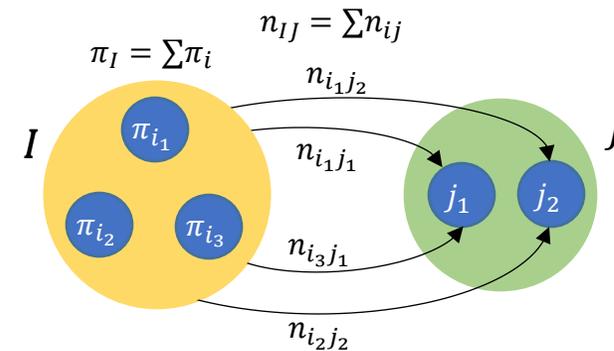
The optimization variables

- Analytical expressions of the observables in terms of π_i, n_{ij}

$$\mathcal{R} = \mathcal{R}(\pi_i, n_{ij})$$

- Linear constraints:

- $\pi_I = \sum_{i \in I} \pi_i$ - probability conservation
- $n_{IJ} = \sum_{i \in I, j \in J} n_{ij}$ - mass conservation
- $\forall i: \sum_j n_{ij} = \sum_j n_{ji}$ - mass conservation at each state i



- Non-linear constraints:

- $n_{IJK}(\pi_i, n_{ij})$
- $\psi_{IJK}(t; \pi_i, n_{ij})$

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- $\sigma_{opt}^{(n)}(\mathcal{S}) = \min_{\mathcal{R}} \{ \sigma(\mathcal{R}) | \forall_{I,J,K}: \pi_I^{\mathcal{R}} = \pi_I^{\mathcal{S}}, n_{IJ}^{\mathcal{R}} = n_{IJ}^{\mathcal{S}}, n_{IJK}^{\mathcal{R}} = n_{IJK}^{\mathcal{S}}, \forall_{k \in \{1, \dots, n\}}: \langle t_{IJK}^k \rangle^{\mathcal{R}} = \langle t_{IJK}^k \rangle^{\mathcal{S}} \}$

- $\forall n \in \mathbb{N} : \sigma_{tot}(\mathcal{S}) \geq \sigma_{opt}^{(\infty)}(\mathcal{S}) \geq \sigma_{opt}^{(n)}(\mathcal{S}) \geq \dots \geq \sigma_{opt}^{(1)}(\mathcal{S})$

$$\langle t_{IJK}^k \rangle = (-1)^k \frac{d^k \tilde{\psi}_{IJK}(s)}{ds^k} \Big|_{s \rightarrow 0}$$

New bound on the total entropy production rate

Bound	σ_{pp}	σ_{aff}	σ_{KLD}	σ_2	σ_{opt}
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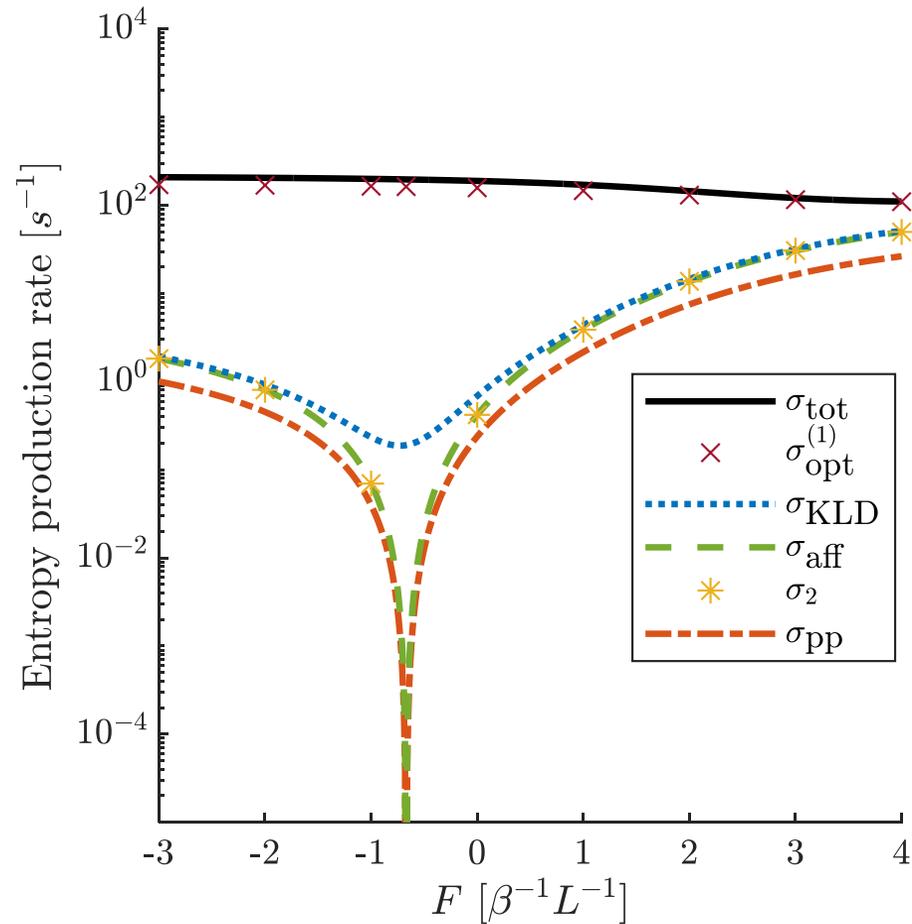
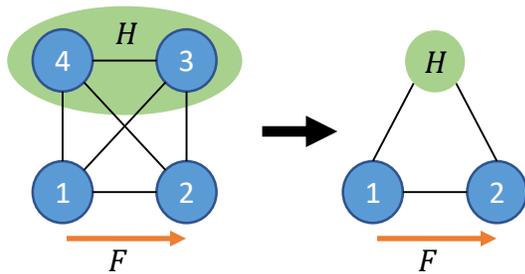
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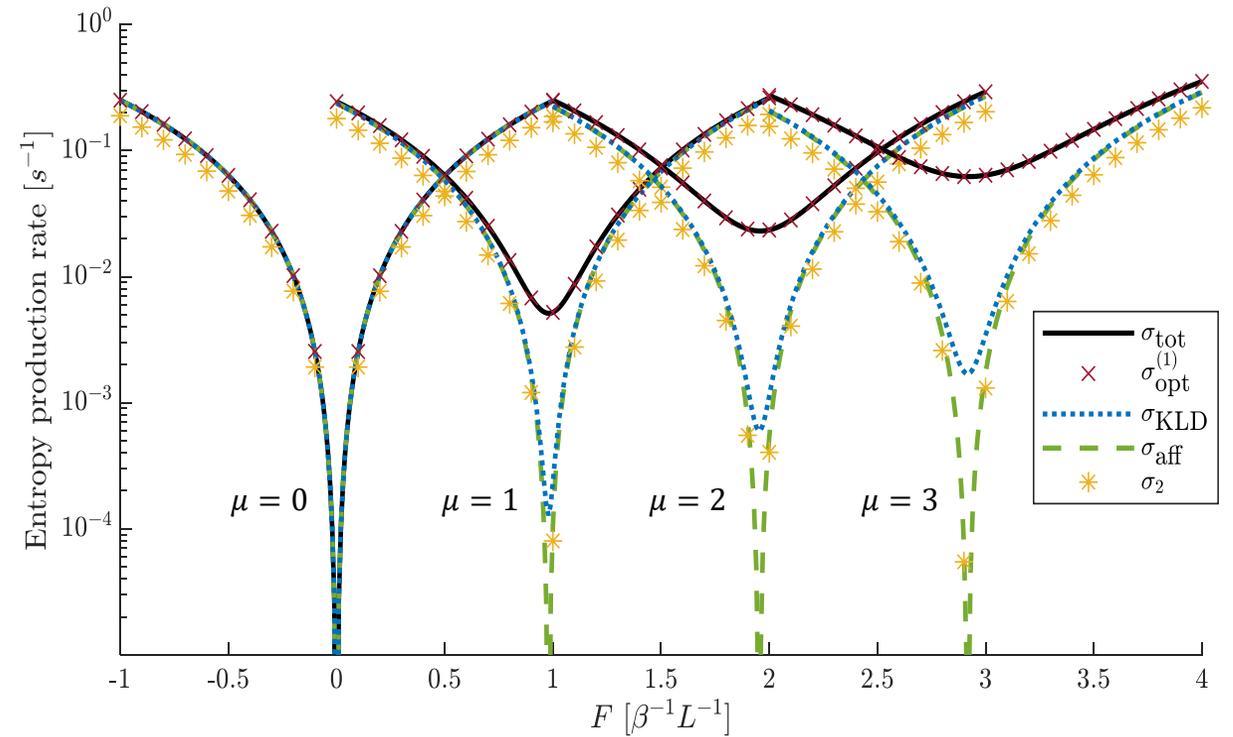
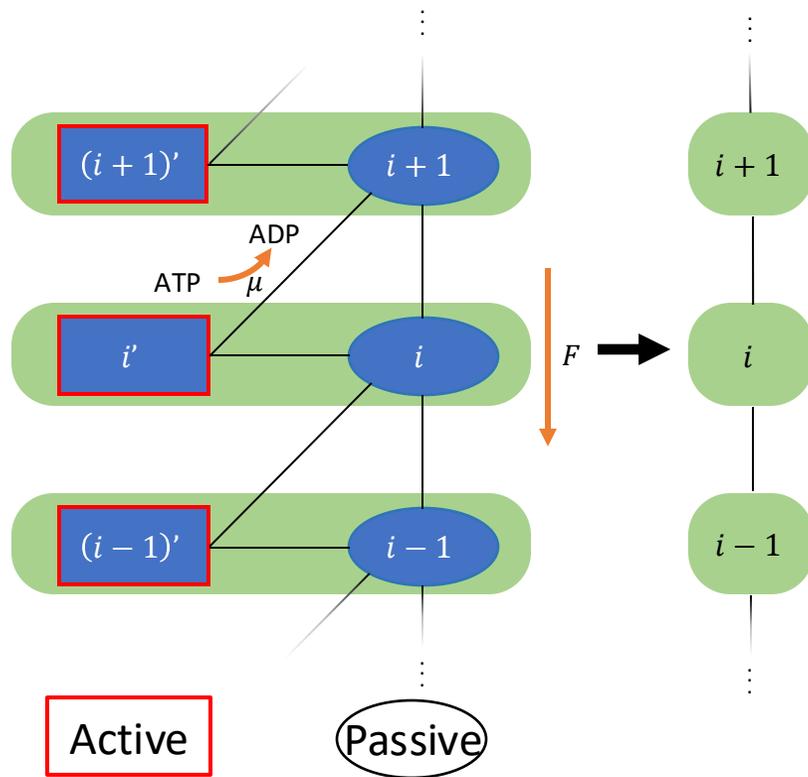
Results

- 4-state system



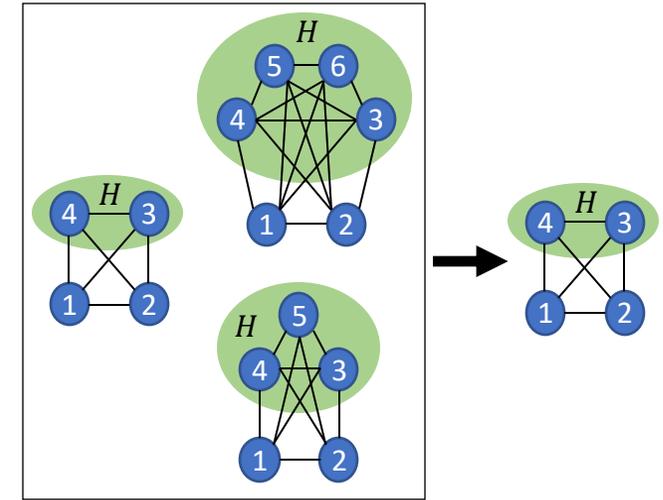
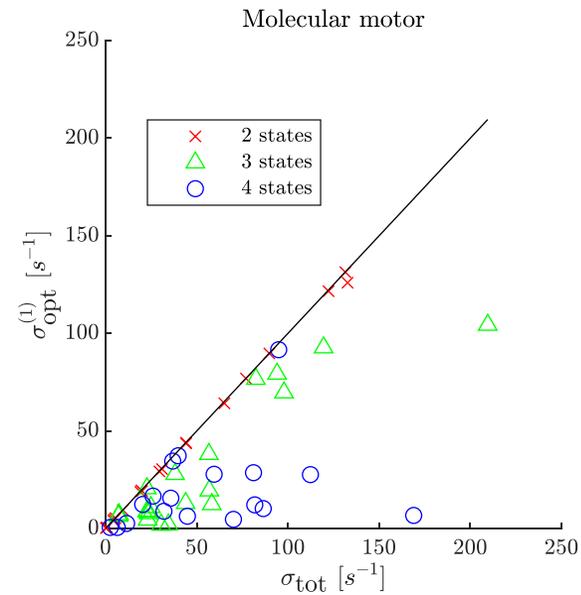
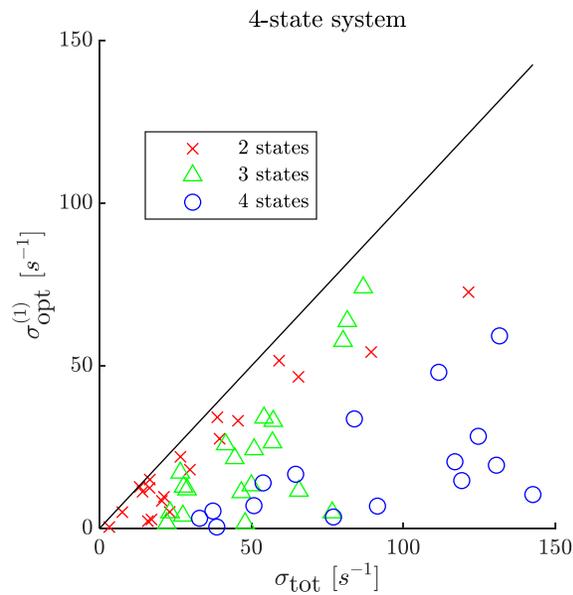
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- Molecular motor



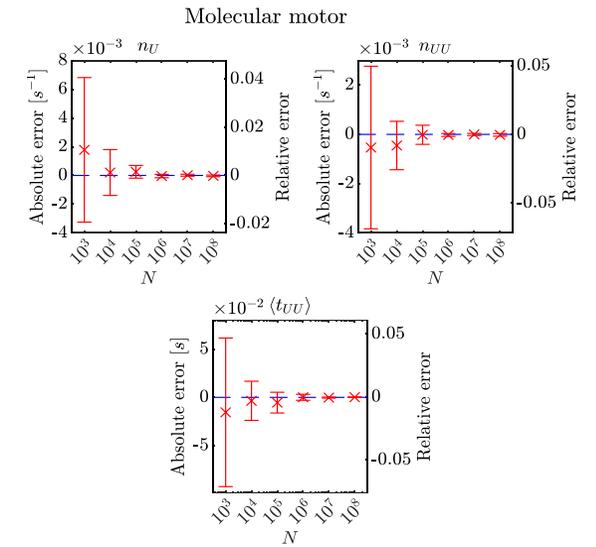
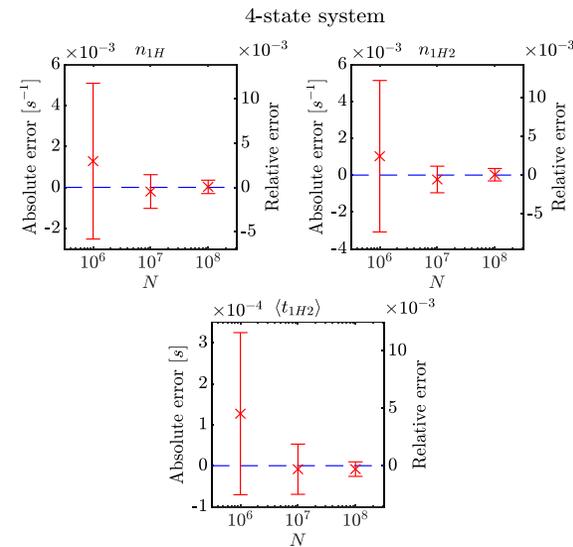
Results

- What if we don't know the underlying topology?
 - We assume a **simple model**

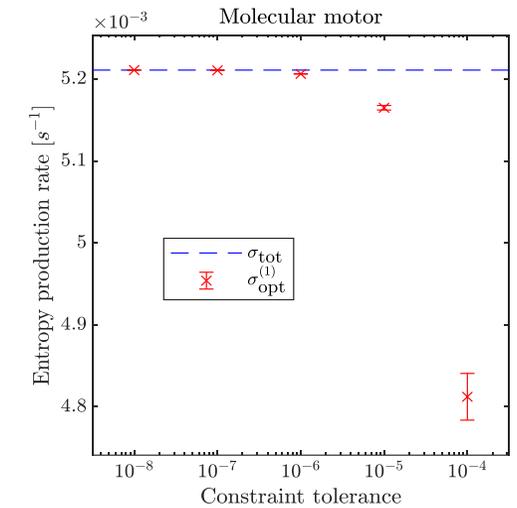
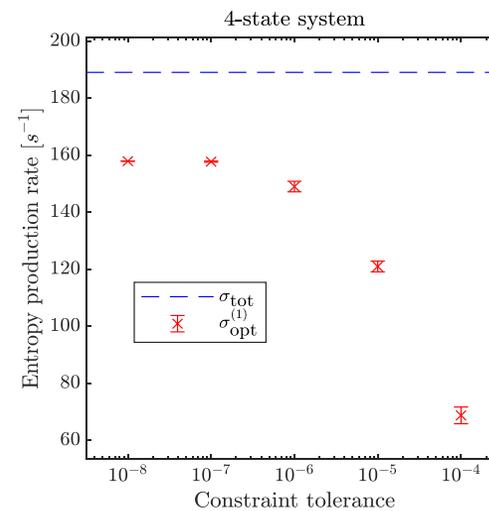


Results

- Accuracy of the statistics

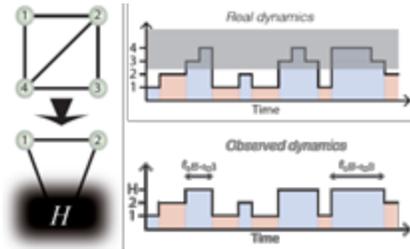


- Constraint tolerance



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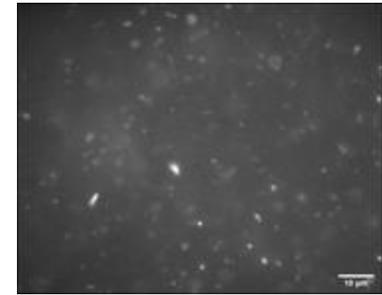
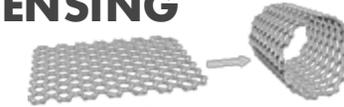
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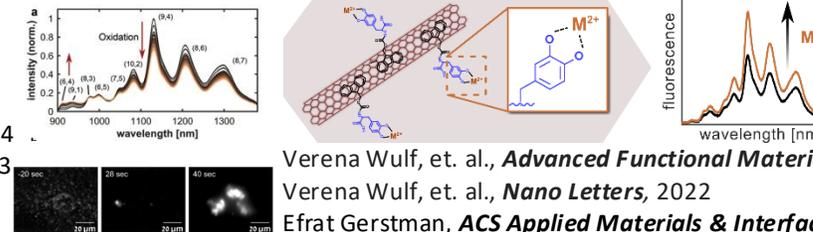
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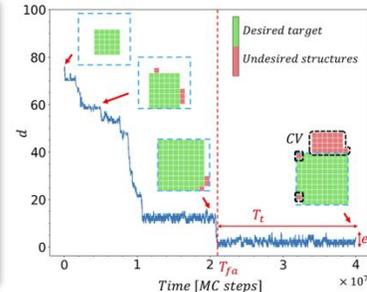


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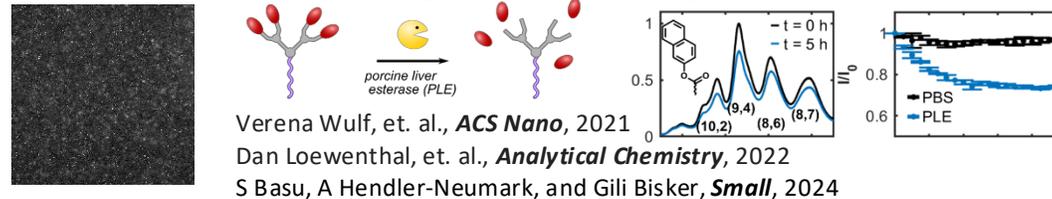
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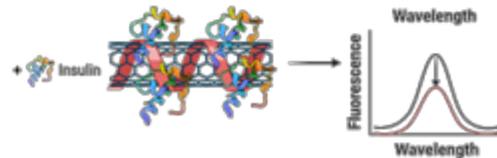
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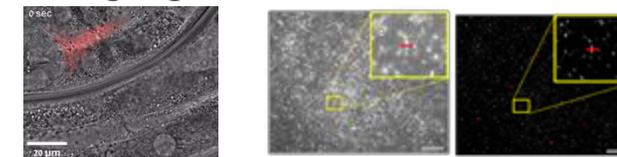
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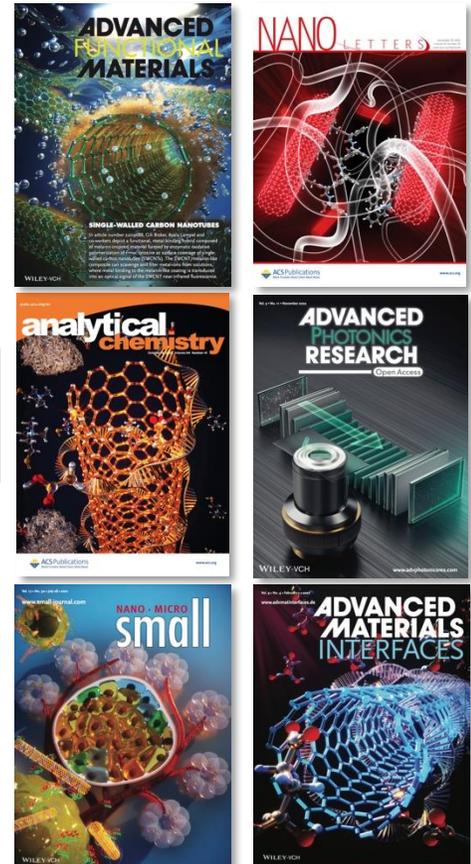


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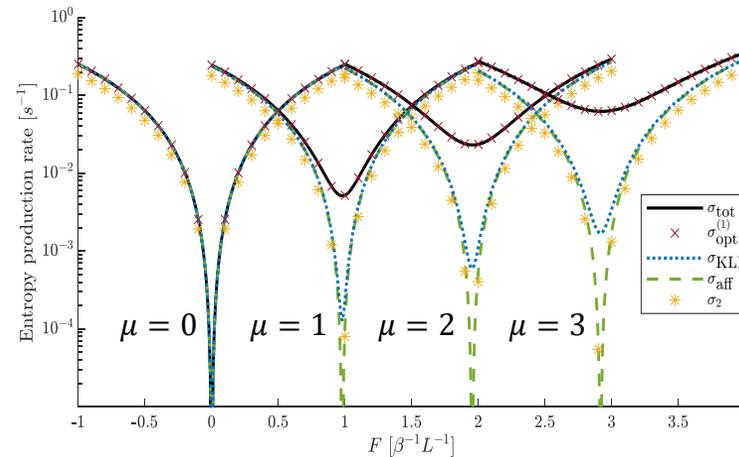
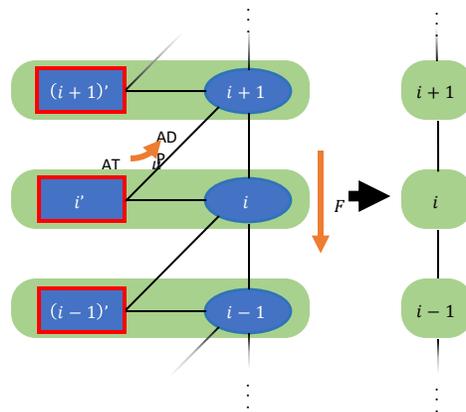
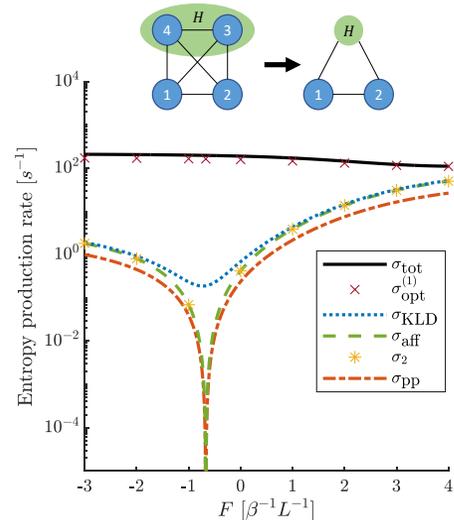


Summary

Bound	σ_{pp}	σ_{aff}	σ_{KLD}	σ_2	σ_{opt}
Information used	Transitions between observed Markovian states n_{ij}	Statistics for second-order semi-Markov process $[IJ] \rightarrow [JK]$ Transitions only!	Statistics for second-order semi-Markov process $[IJ] \rightarrow [JK]$ Transitions and waiting times	First- and second-order transitions statistics of the observed states n_{IJ}, n_{IJK}	Steady states probabilities π_I First- and second-order transitions statistics n_{IJ}, n_{IJK} Waiting time statistics $\langle t_{IJK}^k \rangle$ Underlying topology

Hierarchy of the bounds:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \sigma_{pp} &\leq \sigma_{aff} \leq \sigma_{KLD} \\ \sigma_{pp} &\leq \sigma_2 \end{aligned} \right\} \leq \sigma_{opt}$$



Other bounds?

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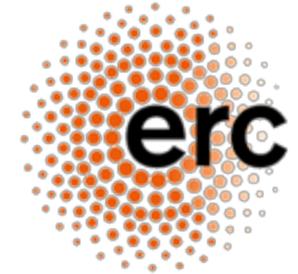
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