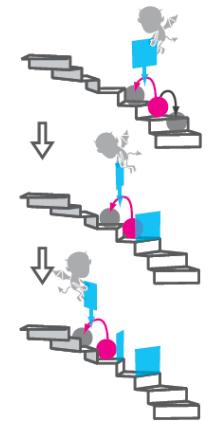


Thermodynamics of information

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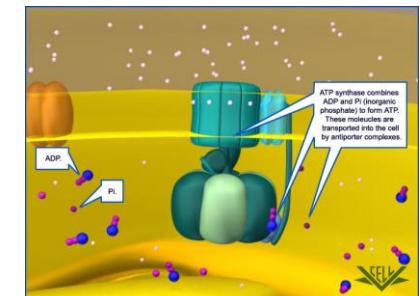
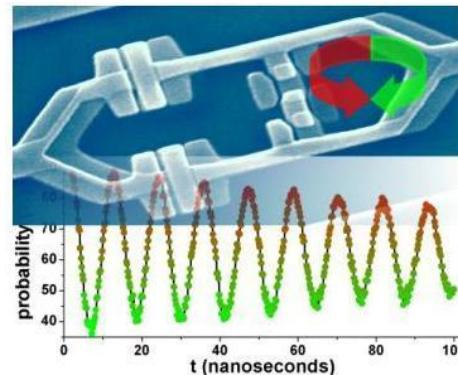
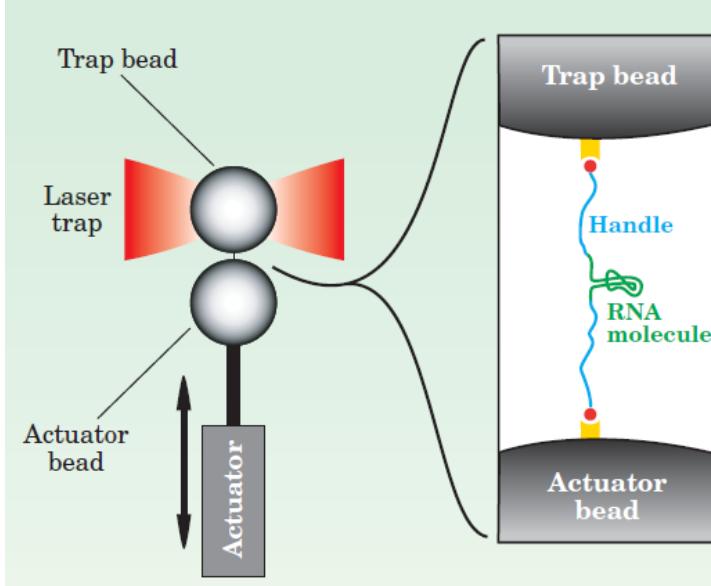
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Thermodynamics in the Fluctuating World

Thermodynamics of small systems with large heat bath(s)



Thermodynamic quantities are fluctuating!

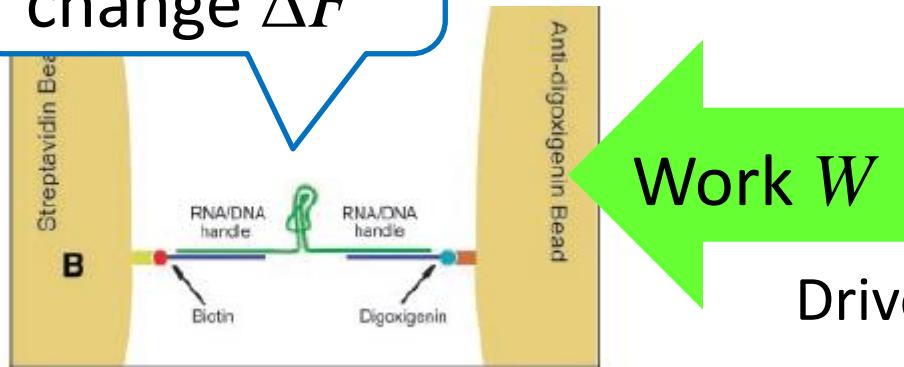


✓ **Second law** $\langle W \rangle \geq \Delta F$

✓ **Nonlinear & nonequilibrium relations**

Second Law in Small Systems

Free-energy change ΔF



with a large heat bath

Work W

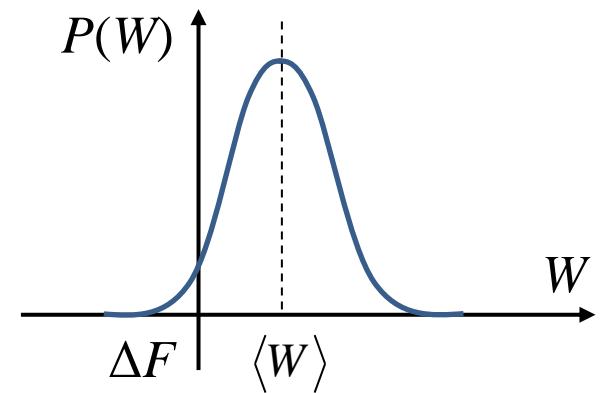
Drive the system from equilibrium

W becomes stochastic due to thermal fluctuations

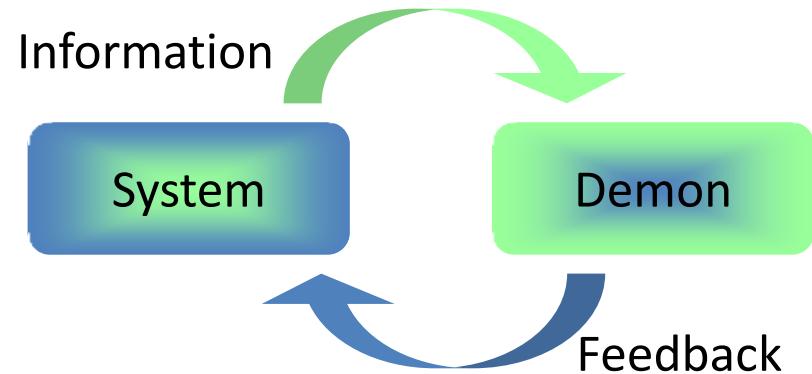
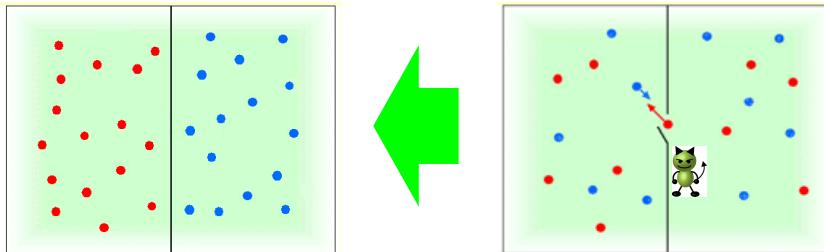
$$\langle W \rangle \geq \Delta F \quad \text{on average}$$

$$W < \Delta F$$

can occur with a small probability
(stochastic violation of the second law)



Information Thermodynamics



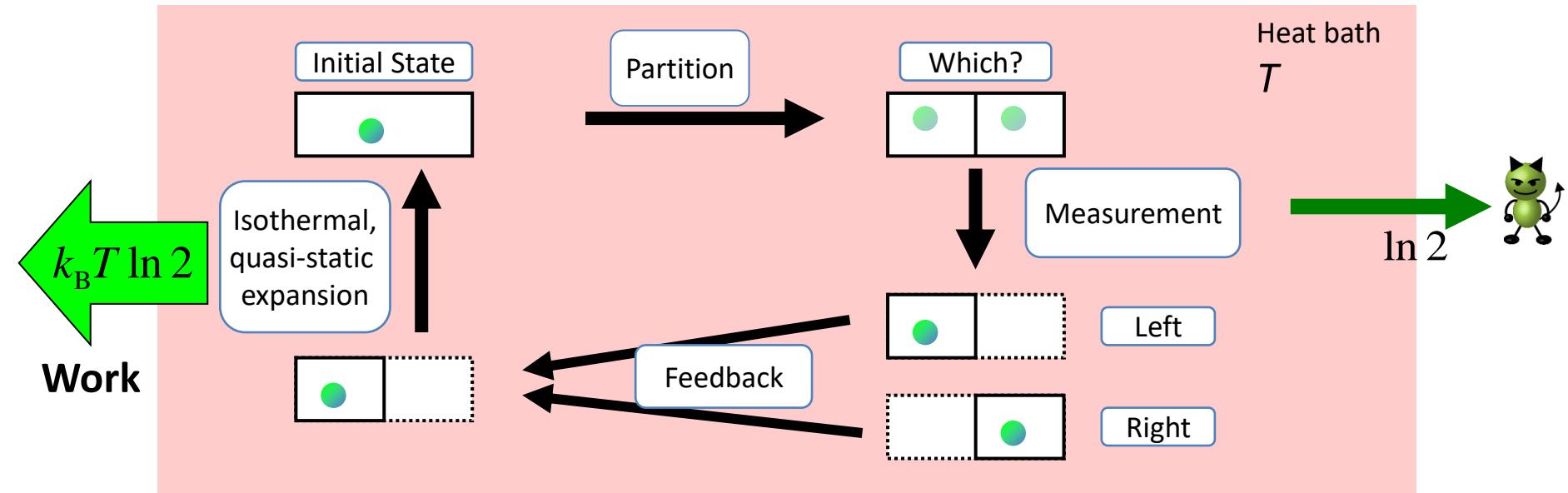
Information processing at the level of thermal fluctuations

- ✓ Foundation of the second law of thermodynamics
- ✓ Application to nanomachines and nanodevices

Review: J. M. R. Parrondo, J. M. Horowitz, & T. Sagawa, *Nature Physics* **11**, 131-139 (2015).

Szilard Engine (1929)

L. Szilard, Z. Phys. 53, 840 (1929)



Free energy:

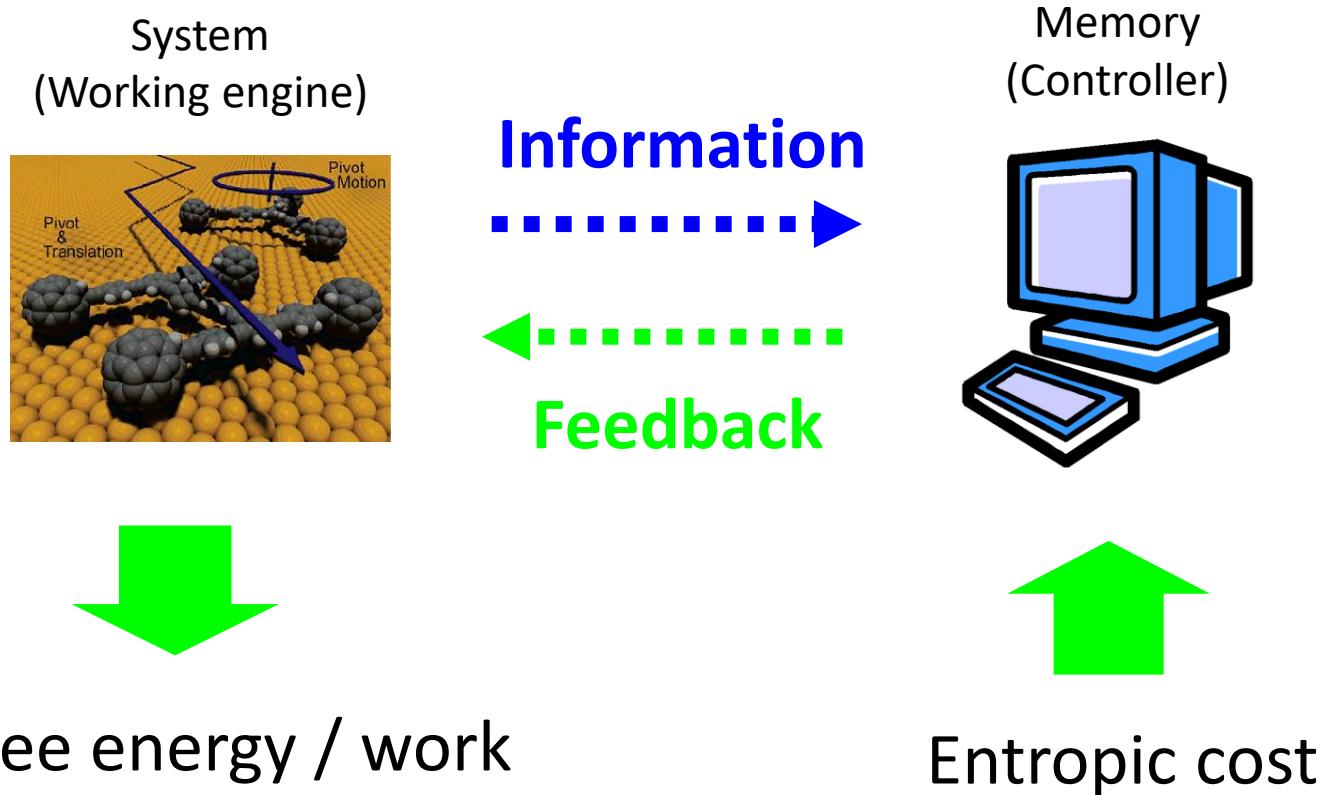
Increase

$$F = E - TS$$

Decrease by
feedback

Can control physical entropy by using information

Information Heat Engine



- ✓ **Can increase the system's free energy even if there is no energy flow between the system and the controller**

Progress in Thermodynamics of Information

- Maxwell (1860's)
- Szilard (1920's)
- Brillouin (1950's)
- Landauer (1960's)
- Bennett (1980's)

Fundamental insights,
based on thought experiments

- Modern theory (2000's -)
- Experiments (2010 -)

General theory based on modern
nonequilibrium statistical mechanics
(fluctuation theorem etc.)

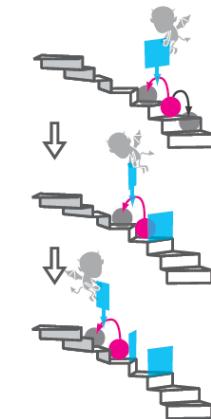
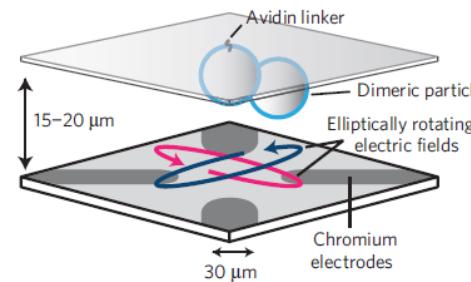
Experimental Demonstrations

- With a colloidal particle

Toyabe, TS, Ueda, Muneyuki, & Sano, Nature Physics (2010)

Efficiency: 30%

$$\text{Validation of } \langle e^{-\beta(W-\Delta F)} \rangle = \gamma$$

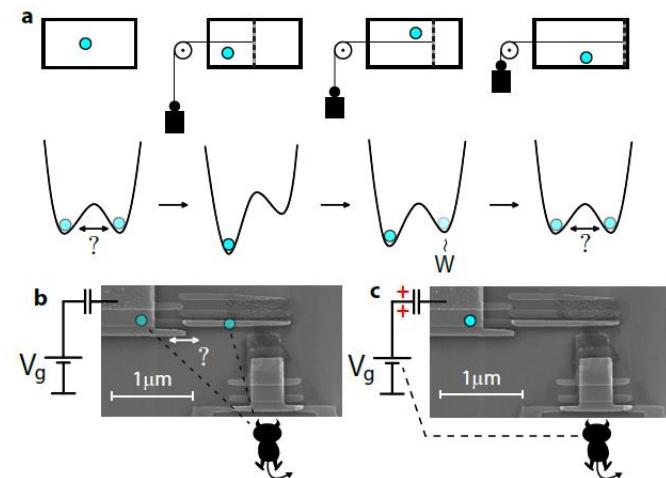


- With a single electron

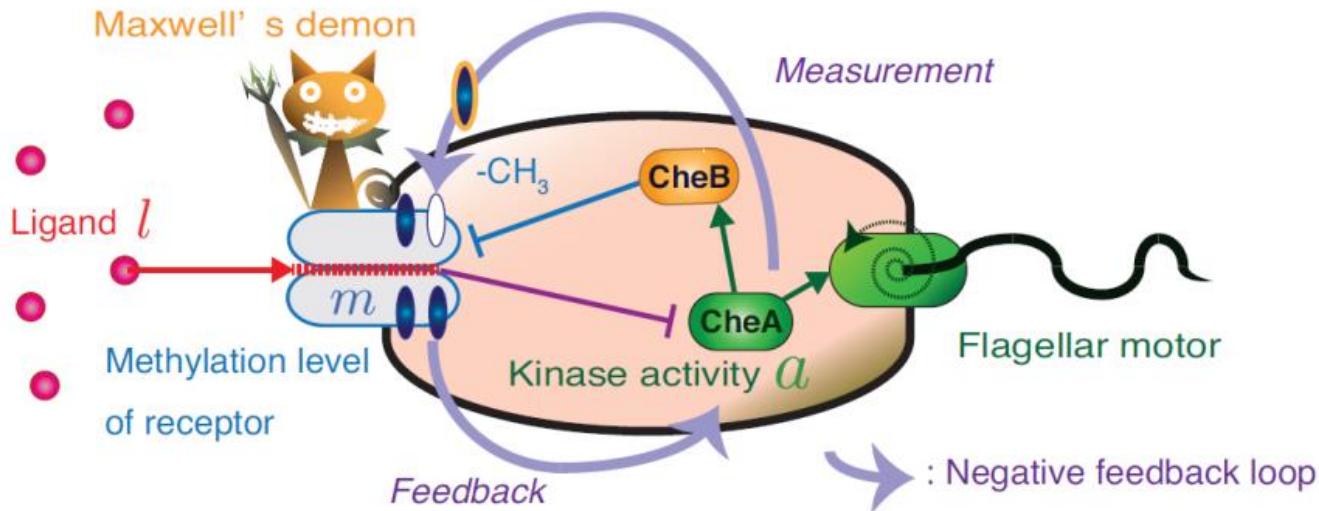
Koski, Maisi, TS, & Pekola, PRL (2014)

Efficiency: 75%

$$\text{Validation of } \langle e^{-\beta(W-\Delta F)-I} \rangle = 1$$



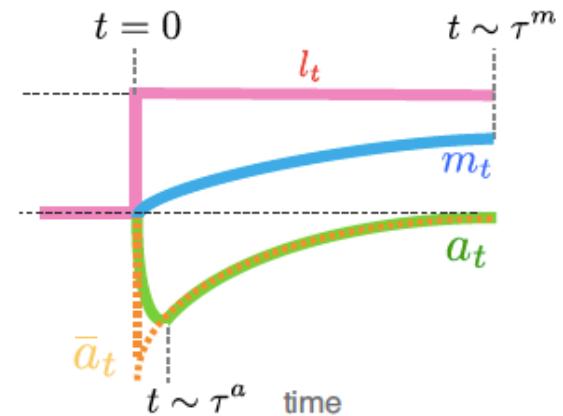
Application to *E. Coli* Chemotaxis



E. Coli moves toward food (ligand)

Information thermodynamics can characterize **robustness** of chemotaxis against environmental noise

S. Ito & T. Sagawa, Nat. Commu. **6**, 7498 (2015)



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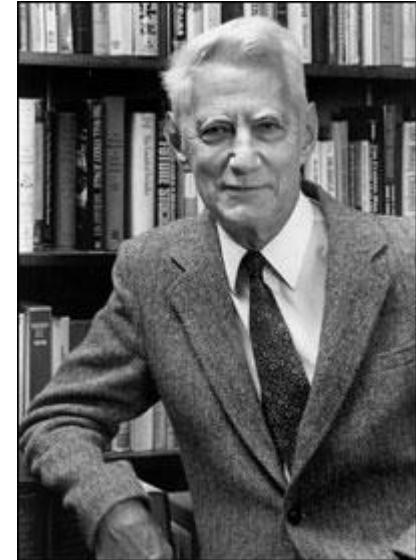
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Claude Shannon (1916-2001)

Father of information science

Established information theory in his 1948 papers
(Introduced and analyzed the Shannon information
and the mutual information)

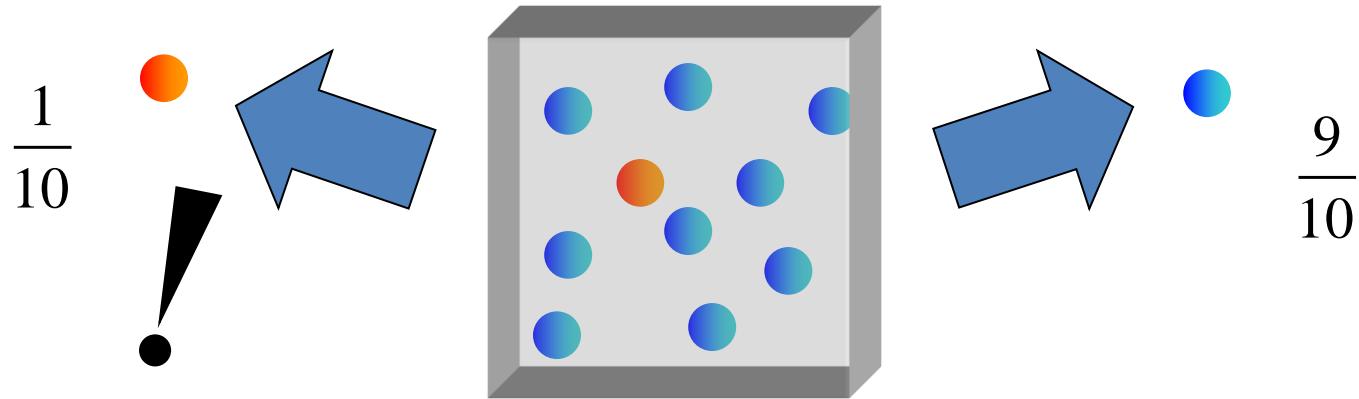


C. Shannon, Bell System Technical Journal **27**, 379-423 and 623-656 (1948).

Standard textbooks of information theory:

- T. M. Cover and J. A. Thomas, "*Elements of Information Theory*"
(John Wiley and Sons, New York, 1991).
- M. A. Nielsen and I. L. Chuang, "*Quantum Computation and Quantum Information*" (Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, 2000).

Shannon Information (1)



Information content with event k : $\ln \frac{1}{p_k}$

Average

Shannon information: $H = \sum_k p_k \ln \frac{1}{p_k}$

Shannon Information (2)

$$0 \leq H \leq \ln N$$

$p_i = 1$ for a single i
 $p_k = 0$ for $k \neq i$

$p_k = 1/N$
for all k

N : the number of k 's

$$H = -\sum_k p_k \ln p_k$$

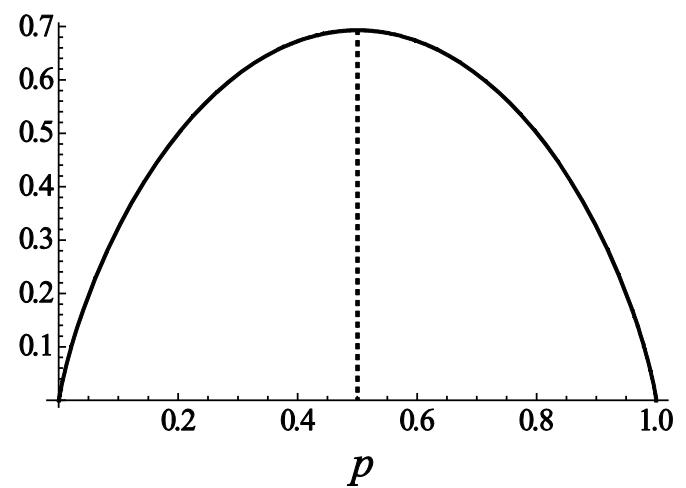
Ex. Binary system

“0”: probability p
“1”: probability $1-p$

$$H = -p \ln p - (1-p) \ln(1-p)$$

$$0 \leq H \leq \ln 2$$

H



Shannon Entropy and Free Energy

Canonical distribution:

$$P[x] = \frac{e^{-\beta E[x]}}{Z}$$

Partition function:

$$Z = \sum_x e^{-\beta E[x]}$$

Free energy:

$$F = -k_B T \ln Z$$

Averaged energy:

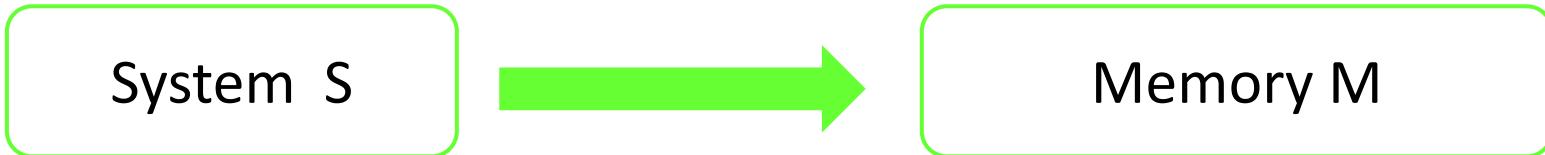
$$\langle E \rangle = \sum_x E[x] P[x]$$


$$\langle E \rangle - F = -k_B T \sum_x P(x) \ln P(x)$$


$$\langle E \rangle - F = TS$$

The Shannon entropy is consistent with thermodynamic entropy

Mutual Information (1)



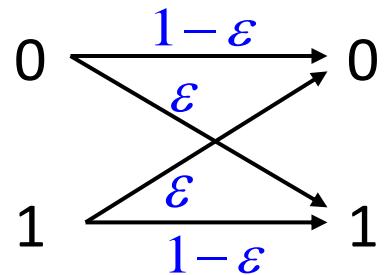
Measurement or communication
(with stochastic error, in general)

$p(s)$: distribution of the measured state of S

$p(m)$: distribution of the outcome in M

$p(m | s)$: conditional probability characterizing the error

$p(s, m) = p(m | s)p(s)$: joint distribution of S and M



Ex. Binary symmetric channel

Mutual Information (2)

$$I(S : M) \equiv H(S) + H(M) - H(SM)$$

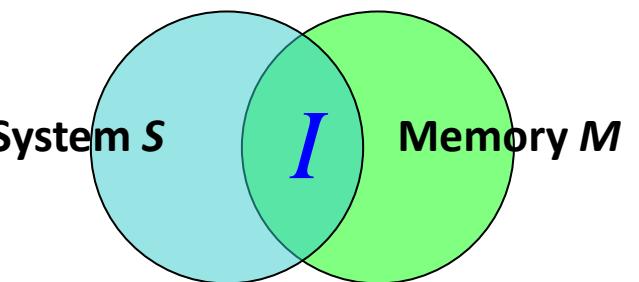
$$= \sum_{sm} p(s, m) \ln \frac{p(s, m)}{p(s)p(m)}$$

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$$H(S) = -\sum_s p(s) \ln p(s) \quad H(M) = -\sum_m p(m) \ln p(m) \quad H(SM) = -\sum_{sm} p(s, m) \ln p(s, m)$$

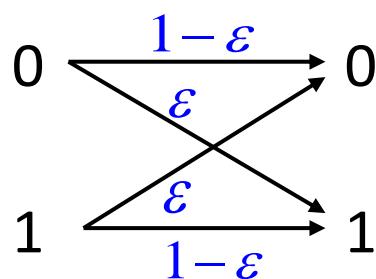
Mutual Information (3)

$$I(S : M) \equiv H(S) + H(M) - H(SM)$$

$$0 \leq I \leq H(M)$$

No information

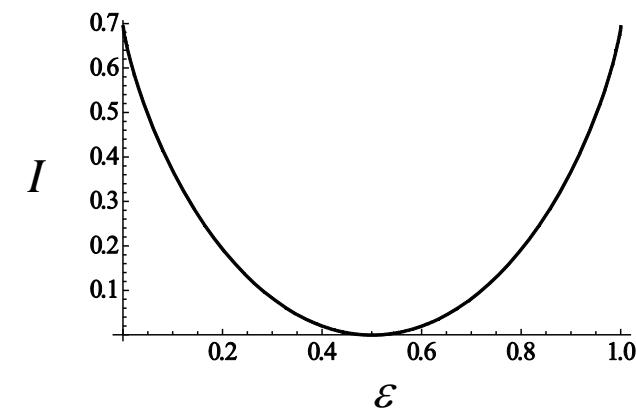
No error



Ex. Binary symmetric channel

Correlation between S and M

$$I = \ln 2 + \varepsilon \ln \varepsilon + (1-\varepsilon) \ln(1-\varepsilon)$$



Continuous Variable (1)

$P(x)dx$: probability $P(x)$: probability density

$$H = - \int dx P(x) \ln P(x)$$

Transformation of the variable: $P(x)dx = P(x')dx'$

$$\begin{aligned} H' &= - \int dx' P(x') \ln P(x') \\ &= - \int dx P(x) \ln P(x) + \int dx P(x) \ln \left| \frac{dx}{dx'} \right| \end{aligned}$$

$\neq H$

Not invariant!

Continuous Variable (2)

Mutual information:

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \int dx dy P(x, y) \ln \frac{P(x, y)}{P(x)P(y)} \\ &= \int dx' dy' P(x', y') \ln \frac{P(x', y')}{P(x')P(y')} \end{aligned}$$

Invariant!

Continuous Variable (3)

Ex. Gaussian channel

$$x \xrightarrow{\text{Gaussian noise}} y$$

$$P(y | x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi N}} \exp\left(-\frac{(y-x)^2}{2N}\right)$$

Input:

$$P(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi S}} \exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{2S}\right)$$

Output:

$$P(y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi(S+N)}} \exp\left(-\frac{y^2}{2(S+N)}\right)$$

Mutual information:

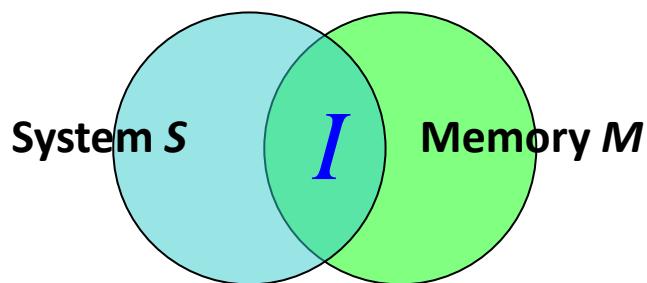
$$I = \frac{1}{2} \ln\left(1 + \frac{S}{N}\right)$$

Summary



Measurement with stochastic errors

$$I(S : M) \equiv H(S) + H(M) - H(SM)$$



$$0 \leq I \leq H(M)$$

No information

Error-free

Shannon information:
Randomness of the system

Mutual information:
Correlation between the system
and the memory

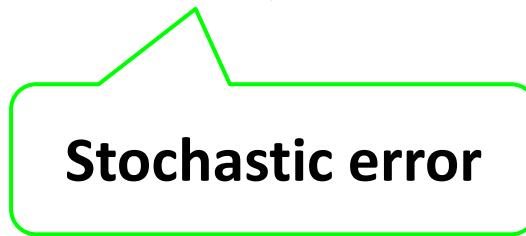
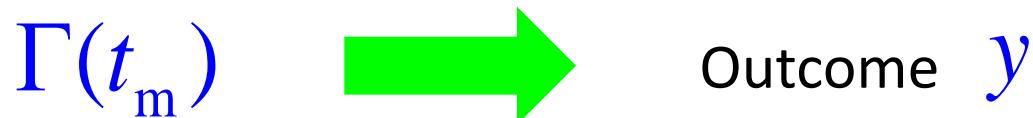
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Measurement on Thermodynamic System

Classical stochastic dynamics with phase-space point Γ
(in contact with heat bath at $\beta = (k_B T)^{-1}$)

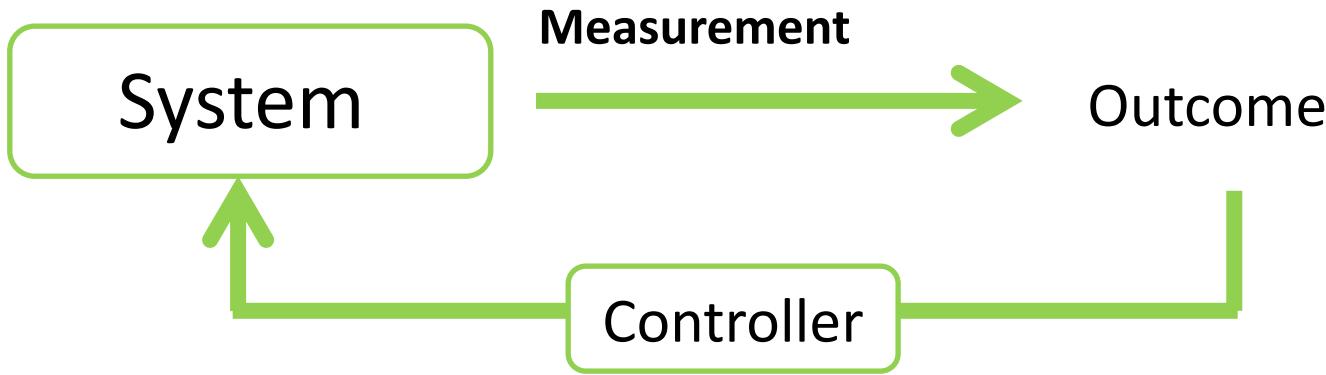
Measurement at time t_m



Conditional probability: $P[y | \Gamma(t_m)] \neq 0$

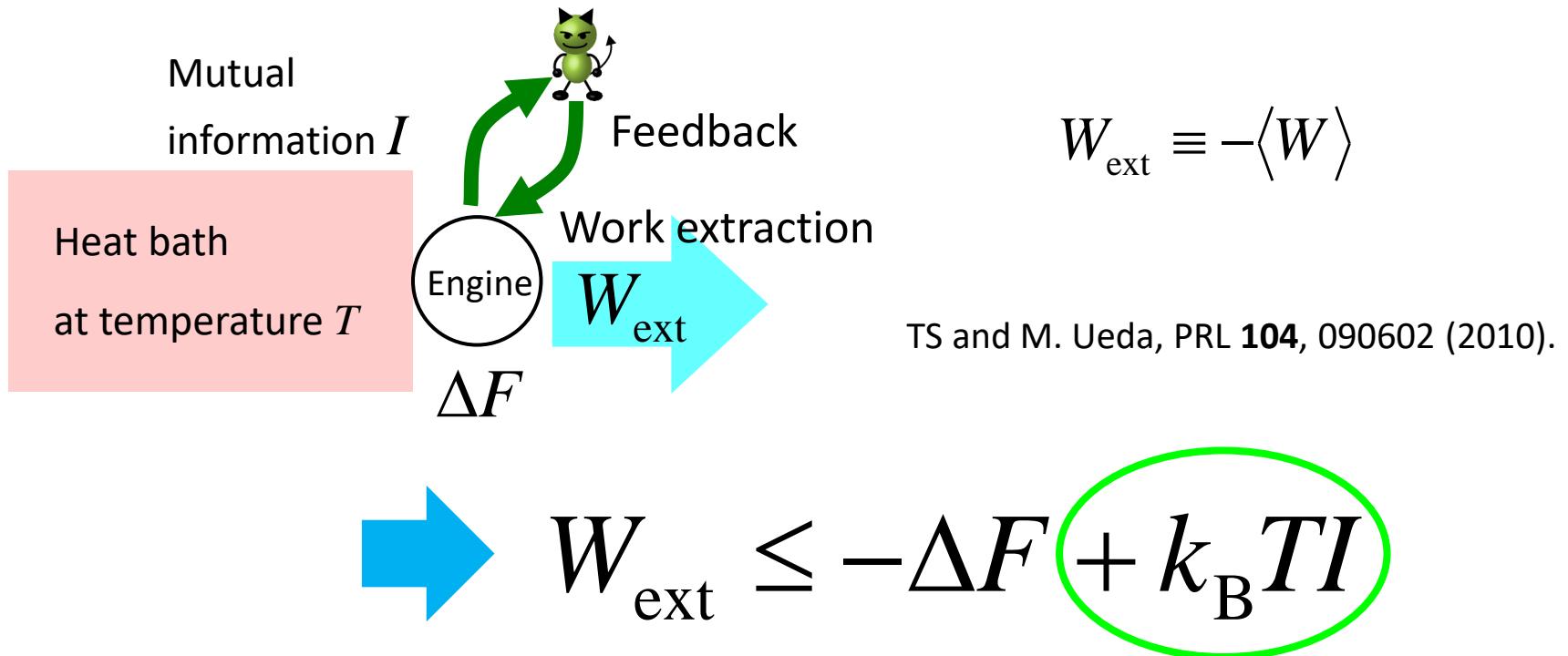
Ex. Gaussian noise $P[y | \Gamma(t_m)] \propto \exp(-(y - \Gamma(t_m))^2 / 2N)$

General Schematics of Feedback Control



Control protocol can depend on outcome after the measurement

Upper Bound of Extractable Work with Feedback



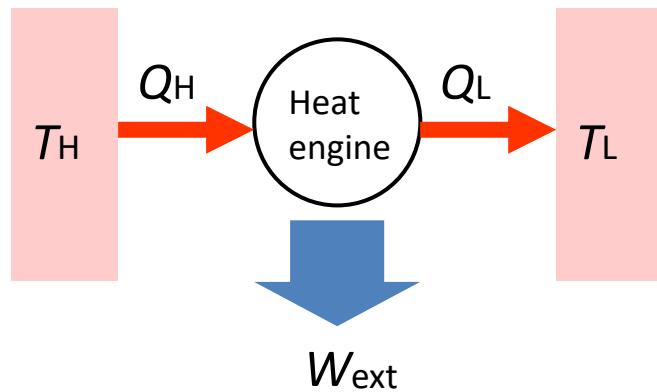
The upper bound of the work extracted by the demon is bounded by the mutual information.

The equality can be achieved:

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J. M. Horowitz & J. M. R. Parrondo, EPL **95**, 10005 (2011)
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J. M. Horowitz & J. M. R. Parrondo, New J. Phys. **13**, 123019 (2011)
T. Sagawa & M. Ueda, PRE **85**, 021104 (2012)
M. Bauer, D. Abreu & U. Seifert, J. Phys. A: Math. Theor. **45**, 162001 (2012)

Information Heat Engine

Conventional heat engine:
Heat → Work



Heat efficiency

$$e \equiv \frac{W_{\text{ext}}}{Q_H} \leq 1 - \frac{T_L}{T_H}$$

Carnot cycle

Information heat engine:
Mutual information → Work and Free energy



$$W_{\text{ext}} + \Delta F \leq k_B T I$$

Szilard engine

Generalized Szilard Engine (1)

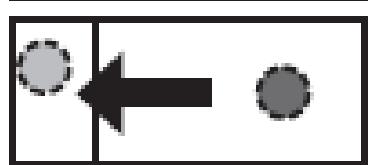
Step 1: Equilibrium.



Step 2: Insertion of the barrier.

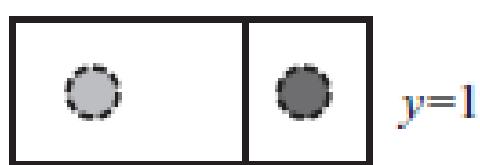
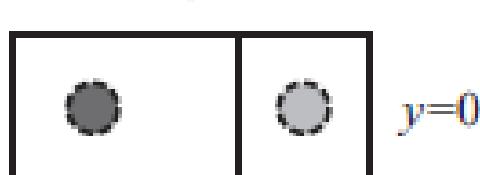


Step 5: Removal of the barrier.



$v_0 \quad I - v_0$

Step 4: Move of the barrier.



$y=0$

$y=1$

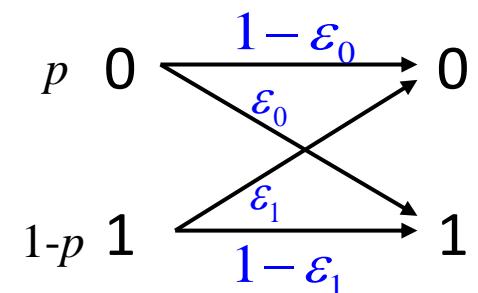
Szilard engine

$$(v_0, v_1) = (1, 1)$$

$$\mathcal{E}_0 = \mathcal{E}_1 = 0$$

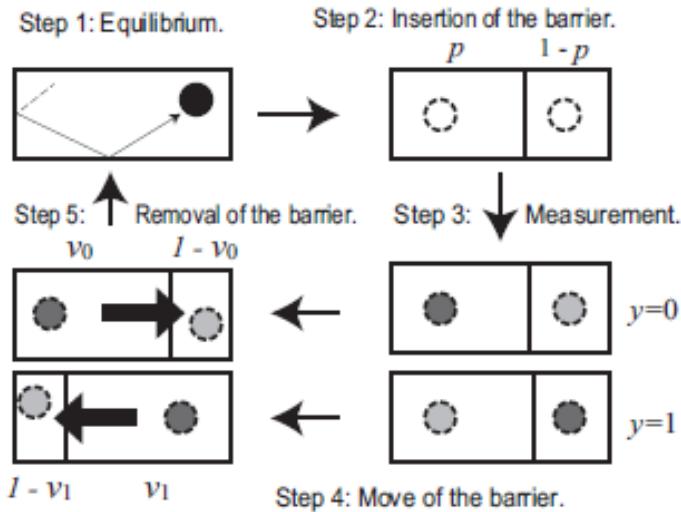
$$p = 1/2$$

Error rates $\mathcal{E}_0, \mathcal{E}_1$

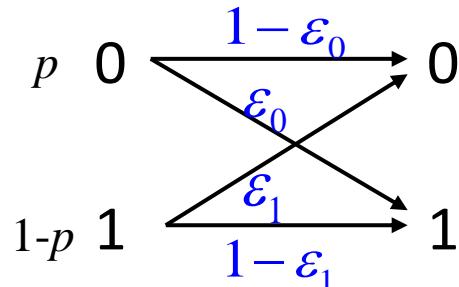


Feedback protocol is determined by (v_0, v_1)

Generalized Szilard Engine (2)



Error rates $\varepsilon_0, \varepsilon_1$

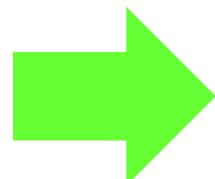


$$I = H(Y) - pH(\varepsilon_0) - (1-p)H(\varepsilon_1)$$

Work extraction:

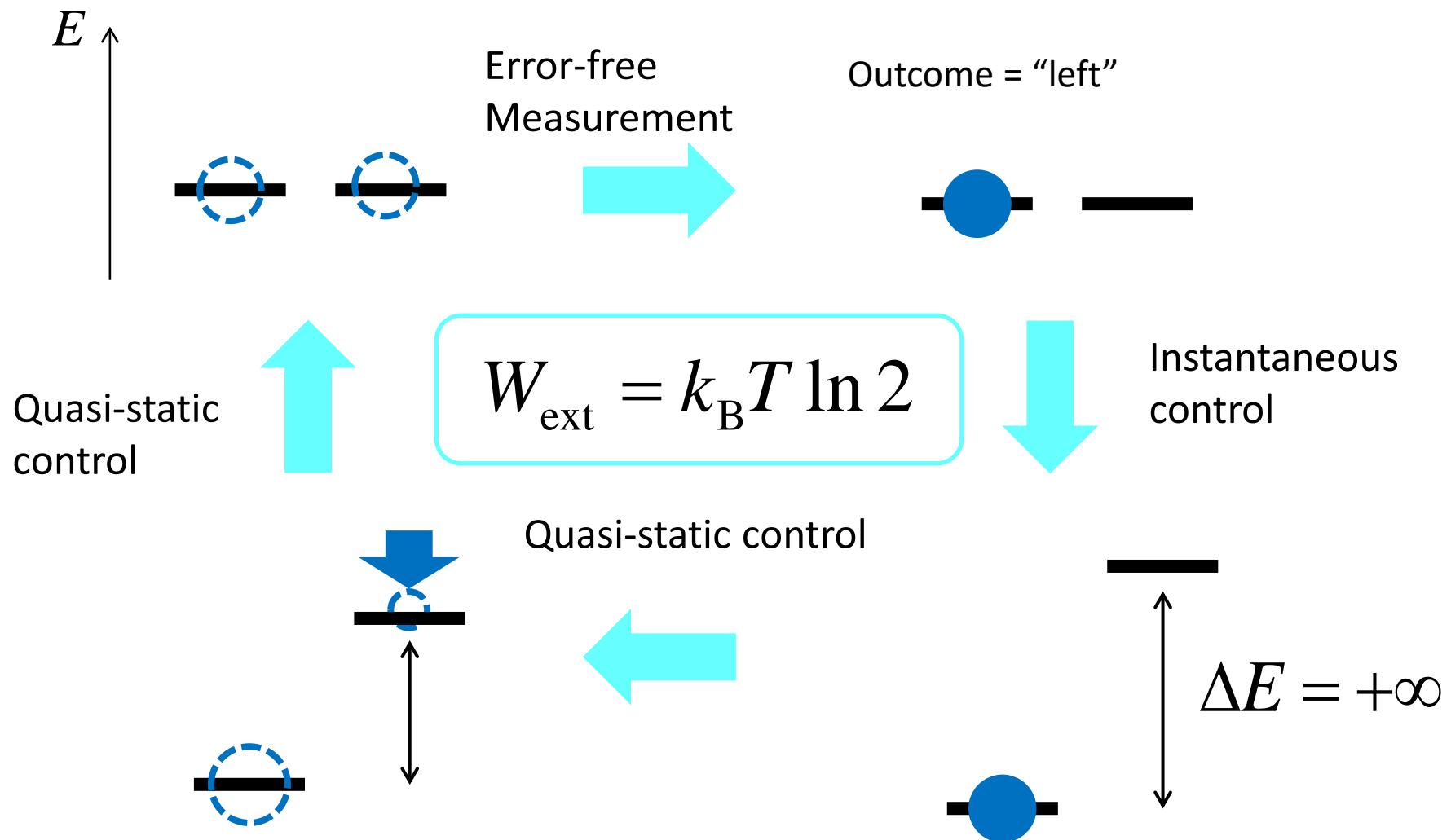
$$\frac{W_{\text{ext}}}{k_B T} = p(1-\varepsilon_0) \ln \frac{v_0}{p} + p\varepsilon_0 \ln \frac{1-v_1}{p} + (1-p)\varepsilon_1 \ln \frac{1-v_0}{1-p} + (1-p)(1-\varepsilon_1) \ln \frac{v_1}{1-p}.$$

Maximization ($\partial W_{\text{ext}}/\partial v_0 = 0$ and $\partial W_{\text{ext}}/\partial v_1 = 0$):

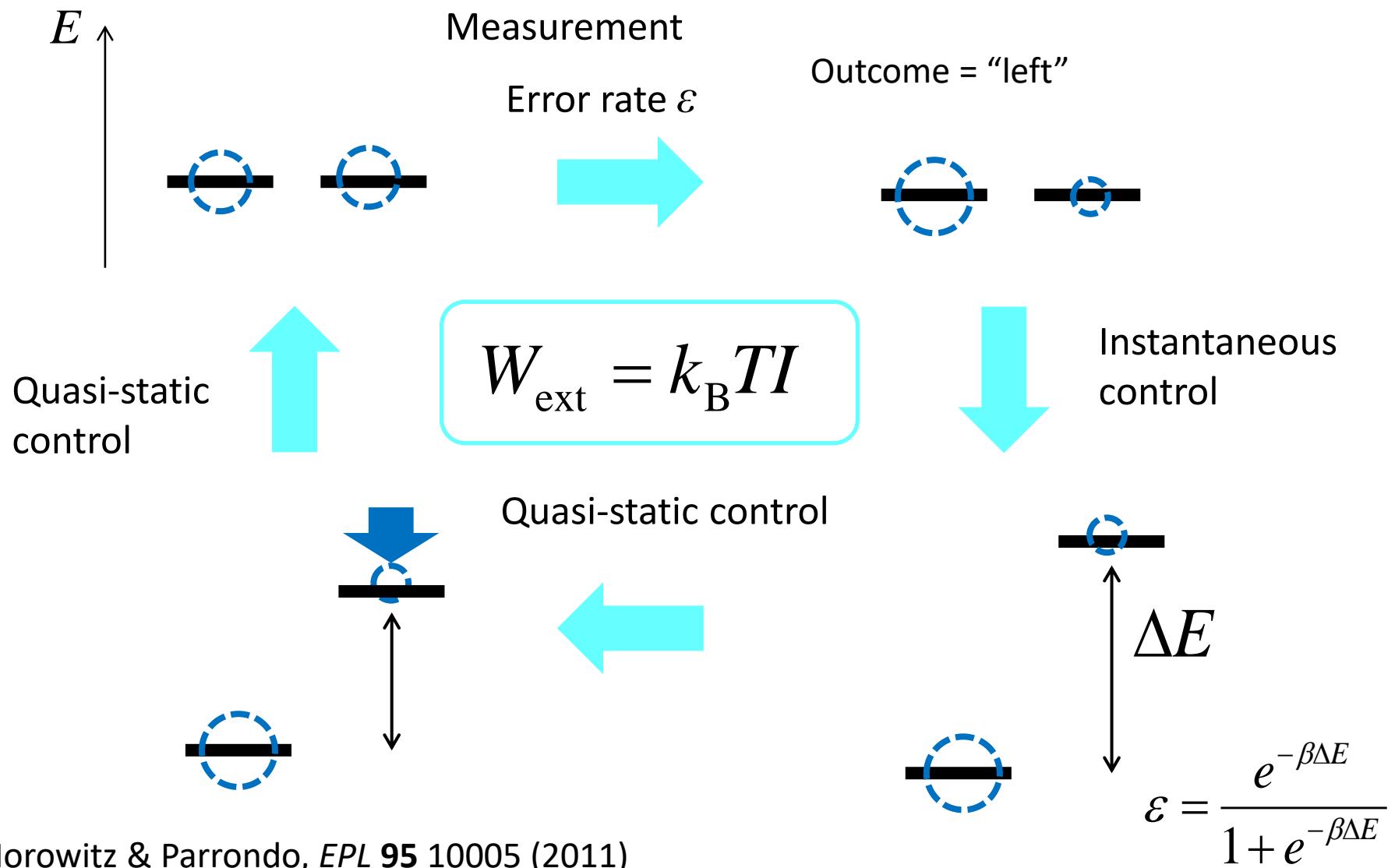


$$W_{\text{ext}} = k_B T I$$

Szilard-like Engine with Two Sites (1)



Szilard-like Engine with Two Sites (2)



Langevin System (1)

Overdamped Langevin equation with a harmonic potential

$$\eta \frac{dx}{dt} = -\lambda_1(x - \lambda_2) + \xi$$

Gaussian white noise

$$\langle \xi(t)\xi(t') \rangle = 2\eta k_B T \delta(t-t')$$

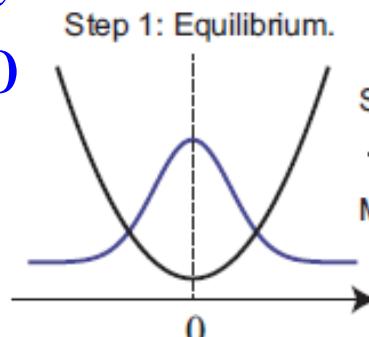
$$V(x, \lambda_1, \lambda_2) = \frac{\lambda_1}{2}(x - \lambda_2)^2$$

Langevin System (2)

Step 1: Equilibrium with

$$\lambda_1 = k$$

$$\lambda_2 = 0$$



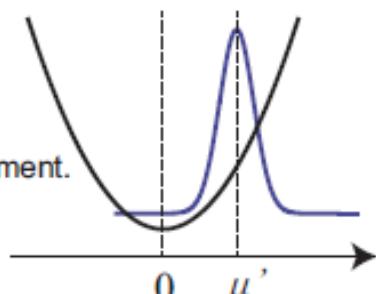
Step 1: Equilibrium.
Step 2:
Measurement.

Step 2: Measurement with Gaussian noise:

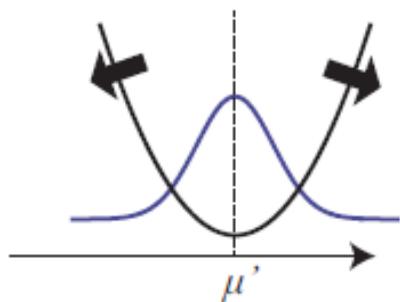
$$S = k_B T / k$$

: variance of the initial equilibrium

$$N : \text{noise intensity}$$



Step 3:
Switching.



Step 4:
Expansion.

Step 3:
Instantaneous switching to

$$\lambda_1 = k' = k(1 + S/N)$$

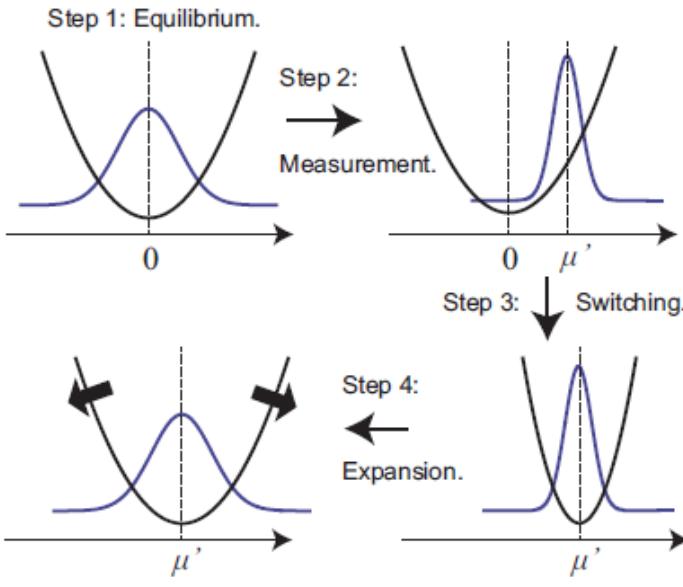
$$\lambda_2 = \mu' = Sy/(S + N)$$

Step 4: Quasi-static expansion to

$$\lambda_1 = k \quad \lambda_2 = \mu' \quad (\text{unchanged})$$

$$V(x, \lambda_1, \lambda_2) = \frac{\lambda_1}{2} (x - \lambda_2)^2$$

Langevin System (3)



Work extraction:

$$W_{\text{ext}}^{(3)} = \int [V(x, k, 0) - V(x, k', \mu_y)] P[x, 0|y] P[y] dx dy = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} W_{\text{ext}}^{(4)} &= - \int_0^\tau dt \frac{d\lambda_1(t)}{dt} \int dx dy P[x, t|y] P[y] \frac{\partial V}{\partial \lambda_1}(x, \lambda_1(t), \lambda_2(t)) \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \int_{k'}^k d\lambda_1 \int dx dy P[x, t|y] P[y] (x - \mu_y)^2 = -\frac{1}{2} \int_{k'}^k d\lambda_1 \frac{k_B T}{\lambda_1} \\ &= \frac{k_B T}{2} \ln \frac{k'}{k} = \frac{k_B T}{2} \ln \left(1 + \frac{S}{N} \right), \end{aligned}$$

$$W_{\text{ext}} := W_{\text{ext}}^{(3)} + W_{\text{ext}}^{(4)}$$

Mutual information

$$I = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left(1 + \frac{S}{N} \right)$$

$W_{\text{ext}} = k_B T I$

Jarzynski Equality (1997)

$$\left\langle e^{-\beta(W-\Delta F)} \right\rangle = 1$$

C. Jarzynski, PRL **78**, 2690 (1997)

Second law can be expressed by an **equality** with full cumulants

1st cumulant: the second law $\langle W \rangle \geq \Delta F$

2nd cumulant: a fluctuation-dissipation theorem

$$\langle W \rangle - \Delta F = \frac{\beta}{2} \left(\langle W^2 \rangle - \langle W \rangle^2 \right)$$

if the work distribution is Gaussian.

Jarzynski Equality with Feedback?

Without feedback:

$$\langle W \rangle \geq \Delta F \quad \leftarrow \quad \left\langle e^{-\beta(W-\Delta F)} \right\rangle = 1$$

With feedback:

$$\langle W \rangle \geq \Delta F - k_B T I \quad \leftarrow \quad \left\langle e^{-\beta(W-\Delta F)-I} \right\rangle = 1$$

Generalized Jarzynski Equality

With feedback control

$$\left\langle e^{-\beta(W-\Delta F)-I} \right\rangle = 1$$

Stochastic mutual information:

$$I[y, \Gamma(t_m)] \equiv \ln(P[y | \Gamma(t_m)] / P[y])$$

Mutual information:

$$\langle I \rangle = \int I[y, \Gamma(t_m)] P[y, \Gamma(t_m)] dy d\Gamma(t_m)$$

$P[y]$: probability of obtaining outcome y $P[y, \Gamma(t_m)]$: joint probability



Reproduce the generalized second law:

$$\langle W \rangle \geq \Delta F - k_B T \langle I \rangle$$

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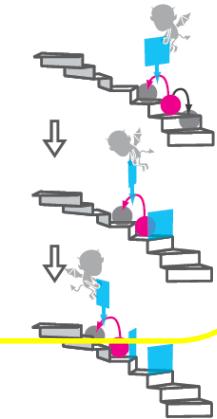
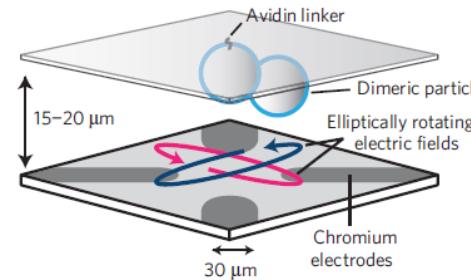
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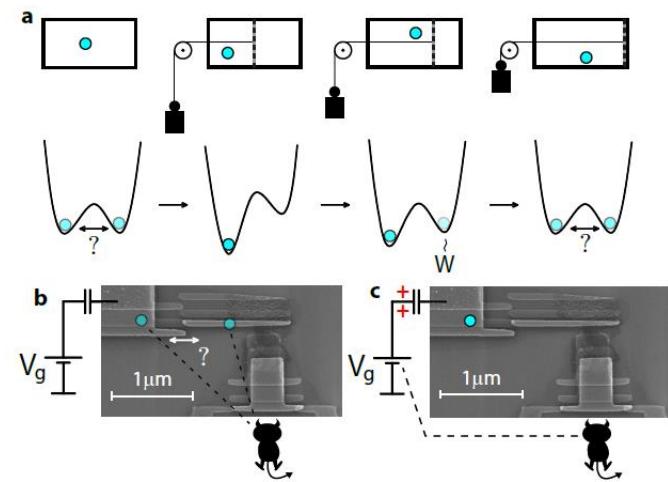


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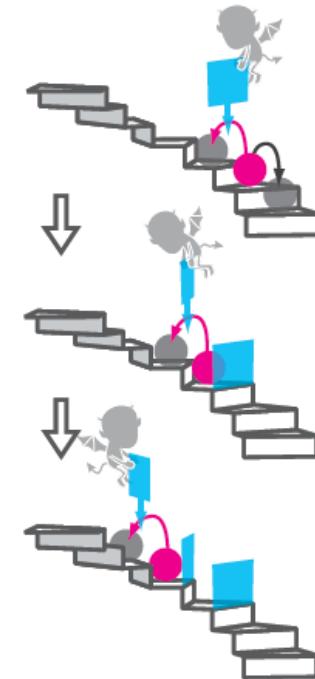
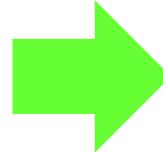
Idea of Experiment

How to realize information heat engines?

A Brownian particle cannot climb the stairs in water...



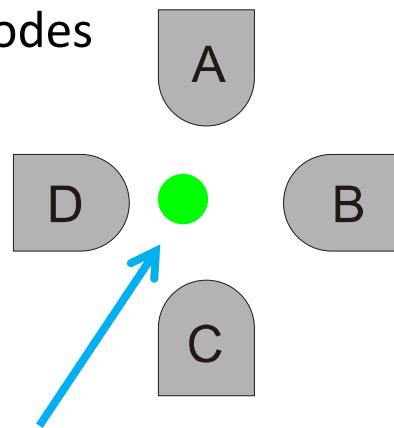
With demon



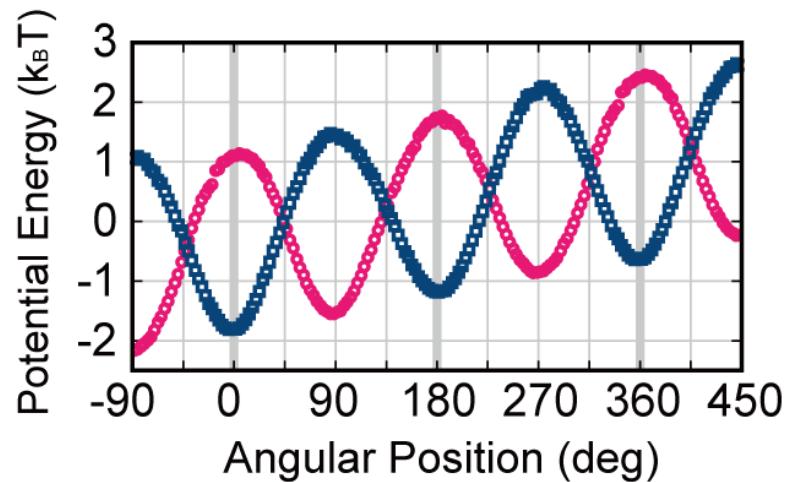
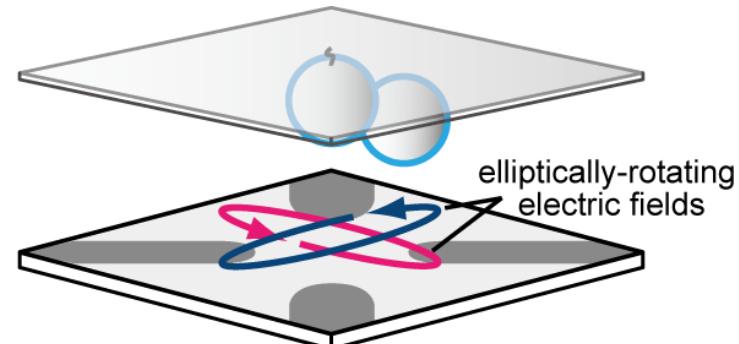
The demon gets information about the position of the particle, and gets it to climb stairs.

Setup

A-D: electrodes



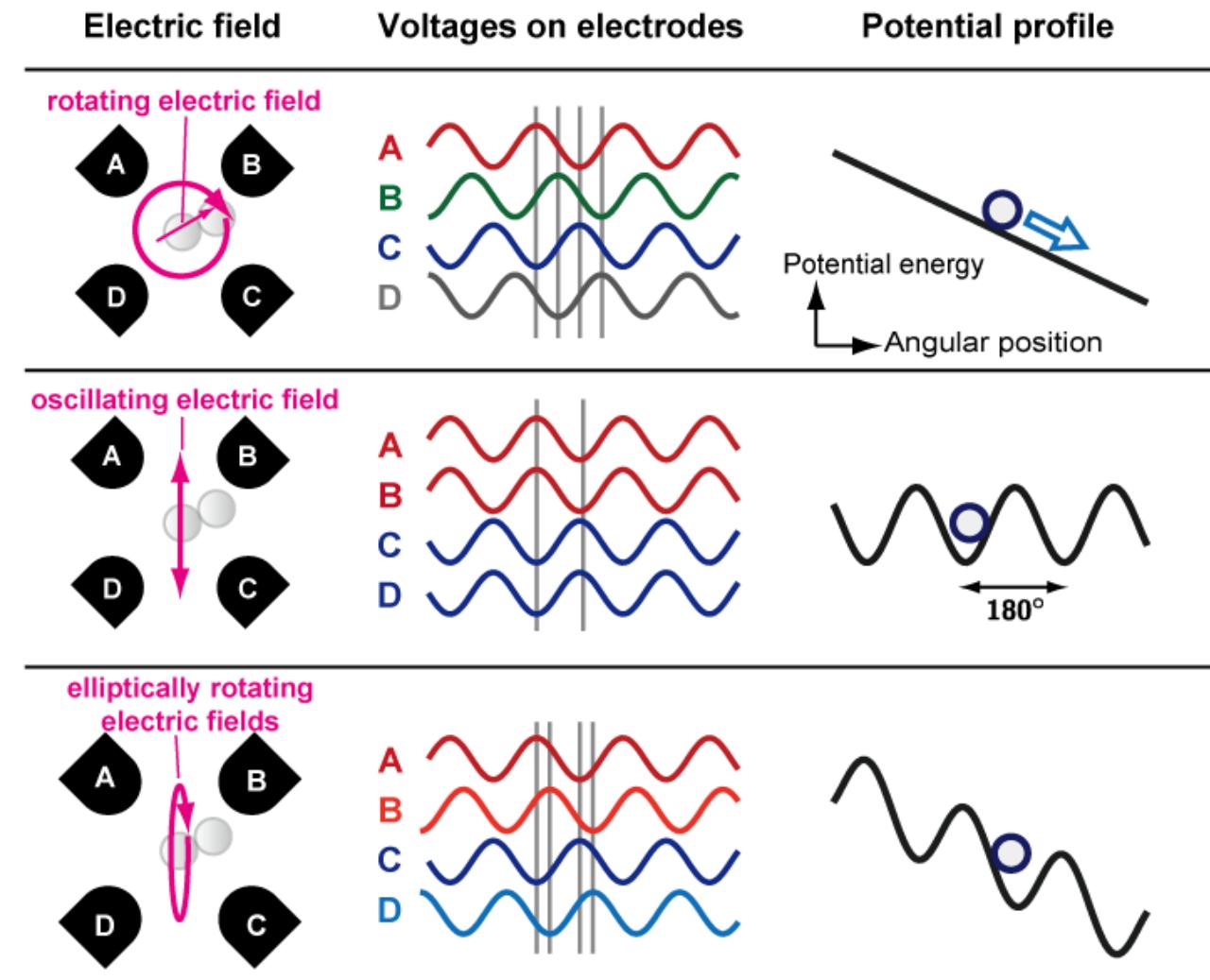
Rotating Brownian particle
(a 287nm polystyrene bead)



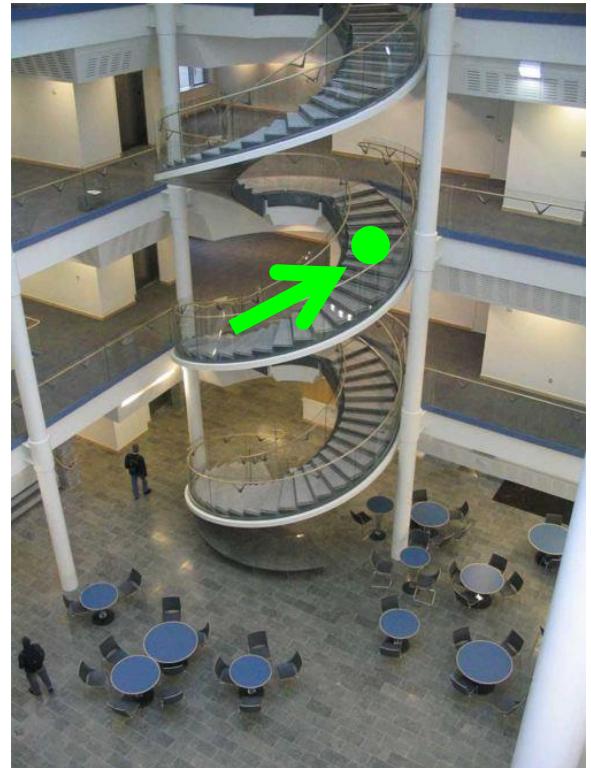
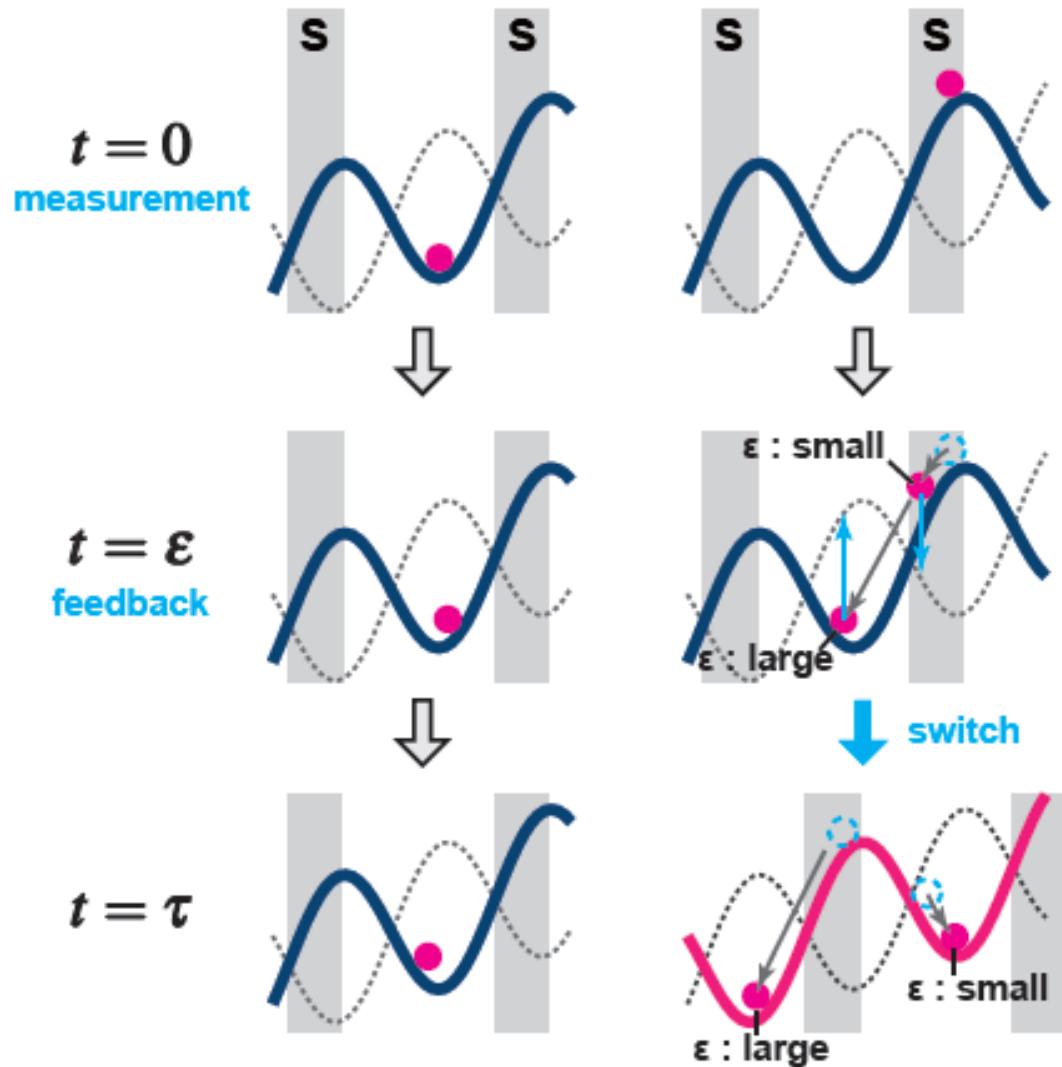
Peak-to-peak = 3.0 kT
Slope = 1.0 kT/rotation

Realized a spiral-stairs-like potential

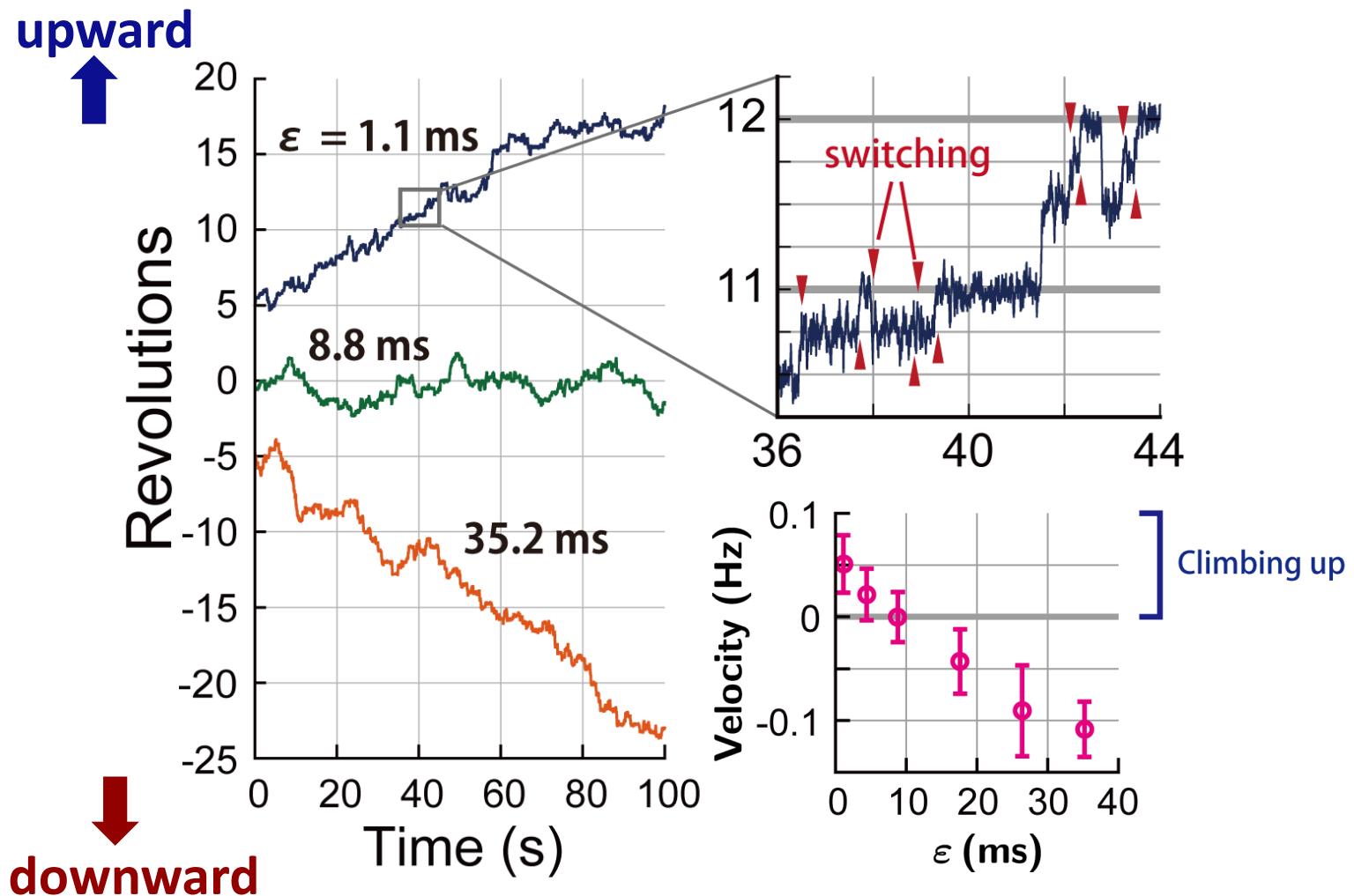
How To Make Potential



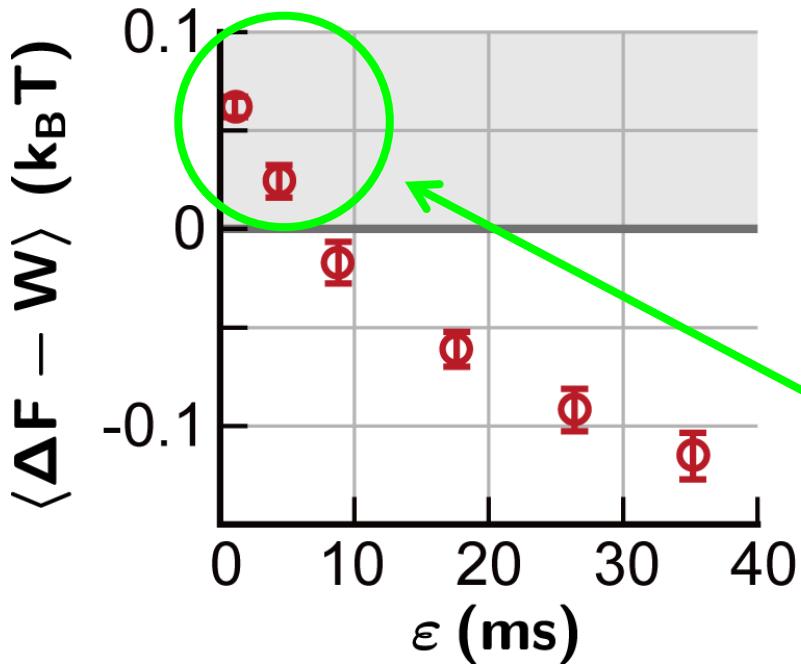
Feedback Protocol



Experimental Result: Dynamics



Experimental Result: Energetics



Conversion rate from information to free energy is about 28%.

$$\langle \Delta F - W \rangle = 0.062 k_B T \quad I = 0.22$$

$$\langle \Delta F - W \rangle \leq k_B T I$$

Extracted more work than the conventional bound.

Realized the Szilard-type Maxwell's demon!

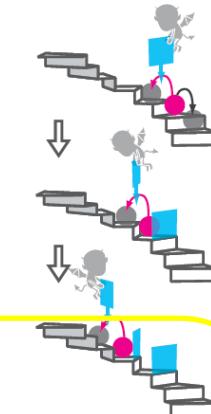
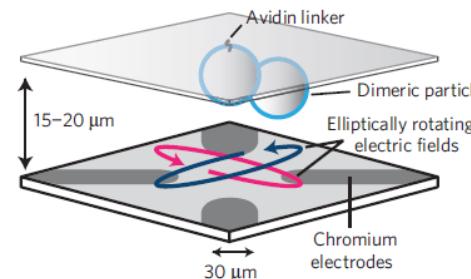
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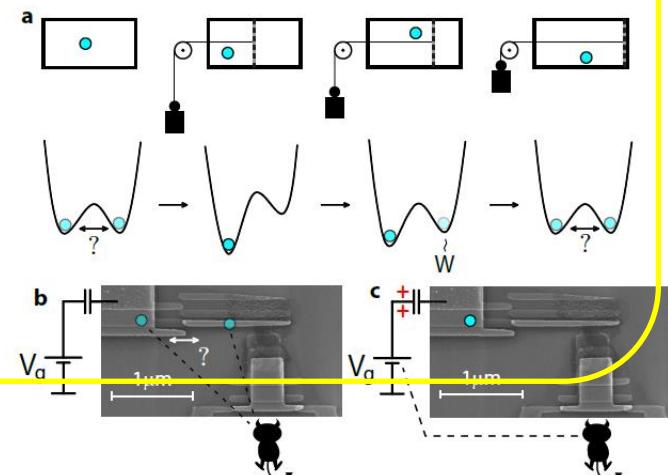


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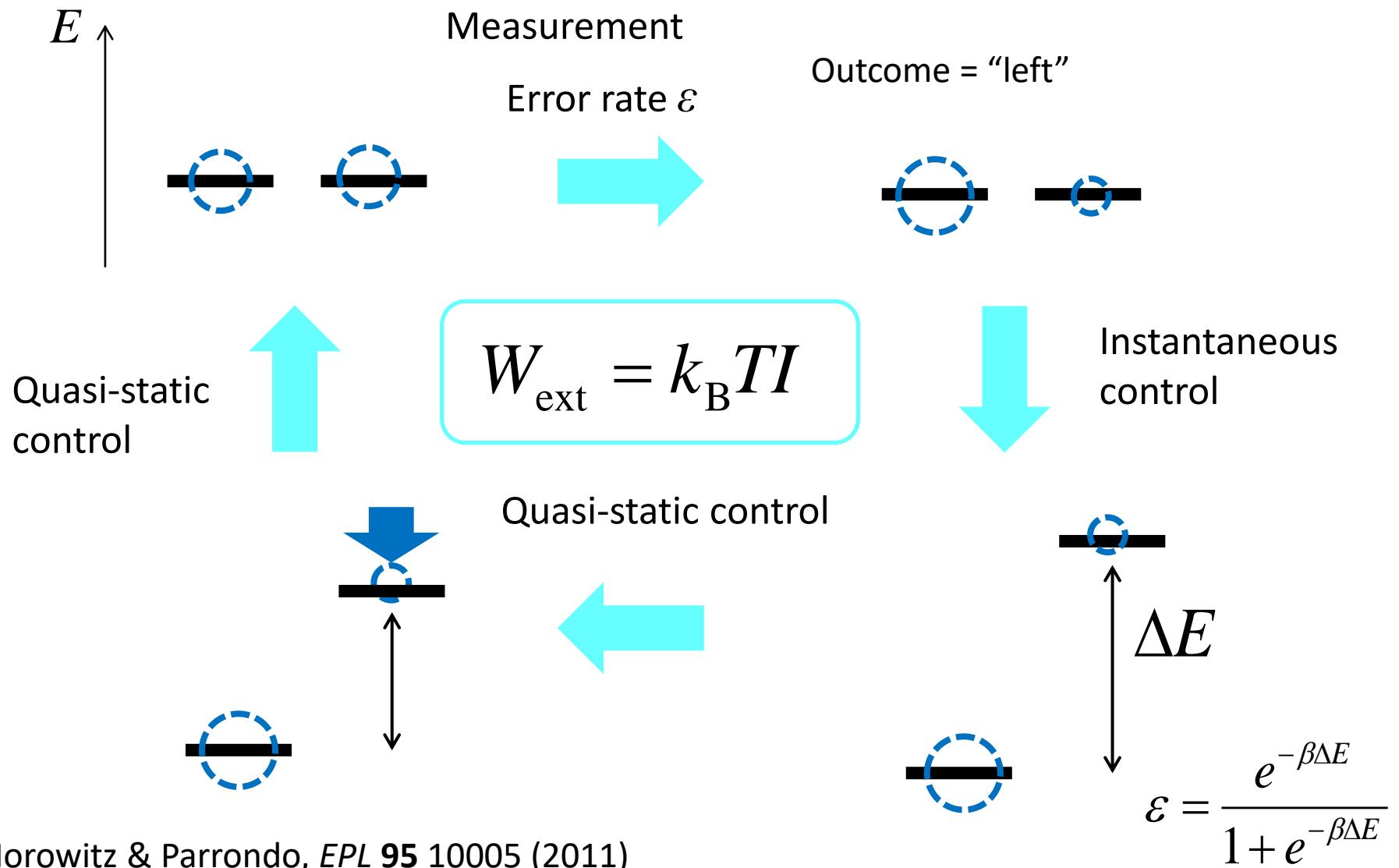
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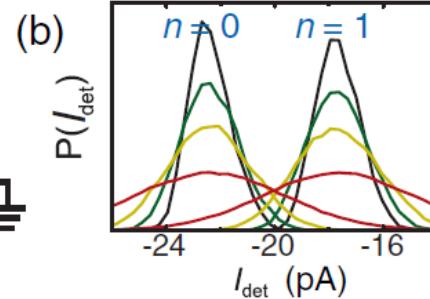
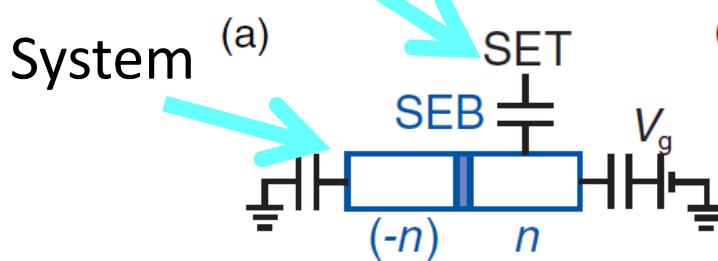


Szilard-like Engine with Two Sites

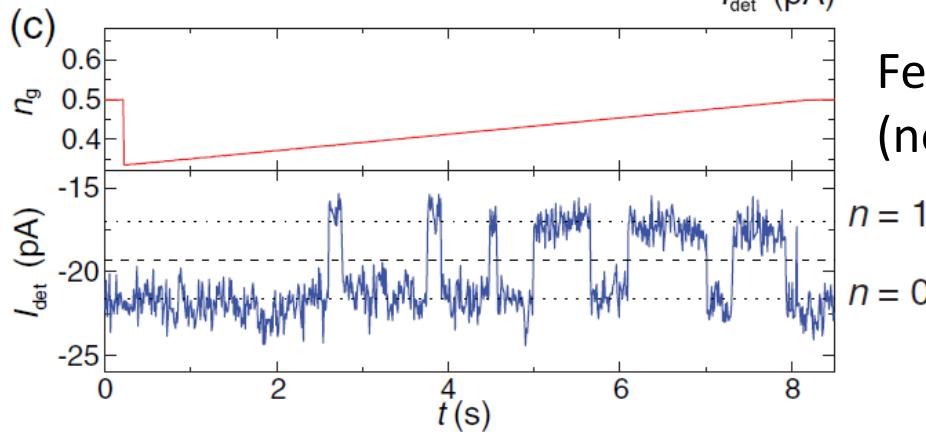


Setup

Detector

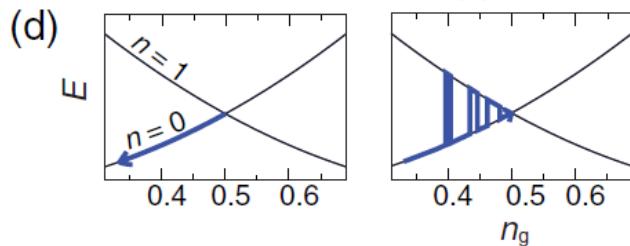


Current distribution
of the detector
(with different filter
cutoff frequencies)



Feedback protocol
(normalized gate voltage)

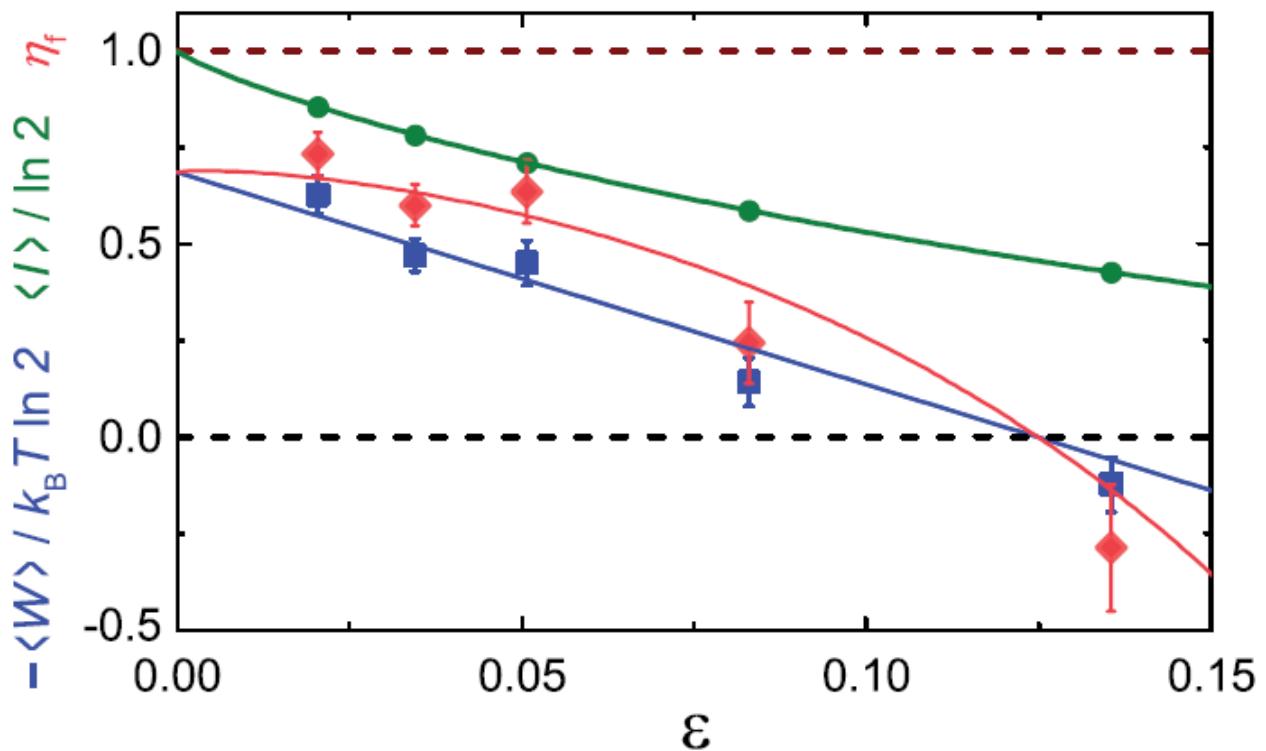
A measured trajectory
of the system



Energy diagrams
of the process

$$E = E_C(n - n_g)^2$$

Work, Information, Efficiency



Extractable work

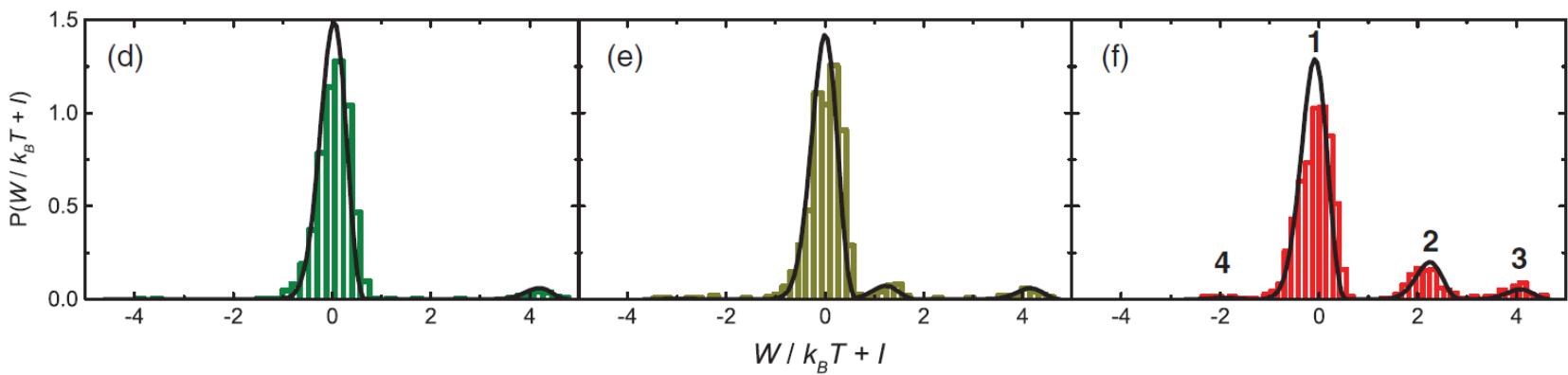
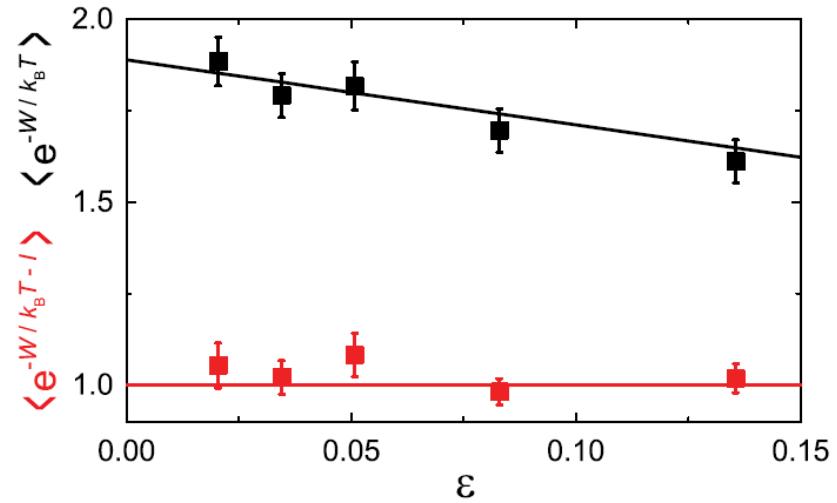
$$W_{\text{ext}} \equiv -\langle W \rangle$$

Efficiency

$$\eta_f \equiv \frac{W_{\text{ext}}}{k_B T \langle I \rangle} \leq 1$$

Validation of the Generalized Jarzynski Equality

$$\left\langle e^{-\beta(W-\Delta F)-I} \right\rangle = 1$$



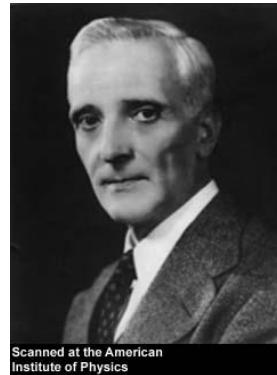
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What Compensates for the Excess Work?

When is this cost needed
in principle?

Measurement
process!



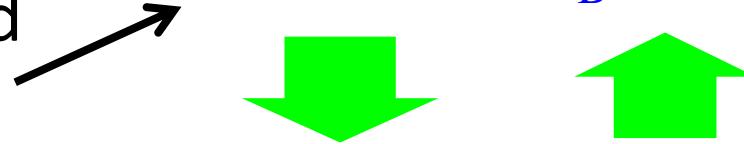
Brillouin

Erasure process!

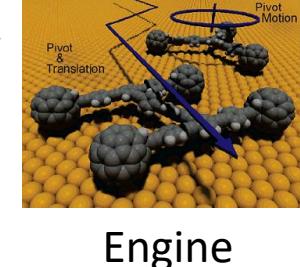


Bennett
&
Landauer

$$-k_B T \ln 2 + k_B T \ln 2 \leq 0$$



$\ln 2$
Demon's
memory



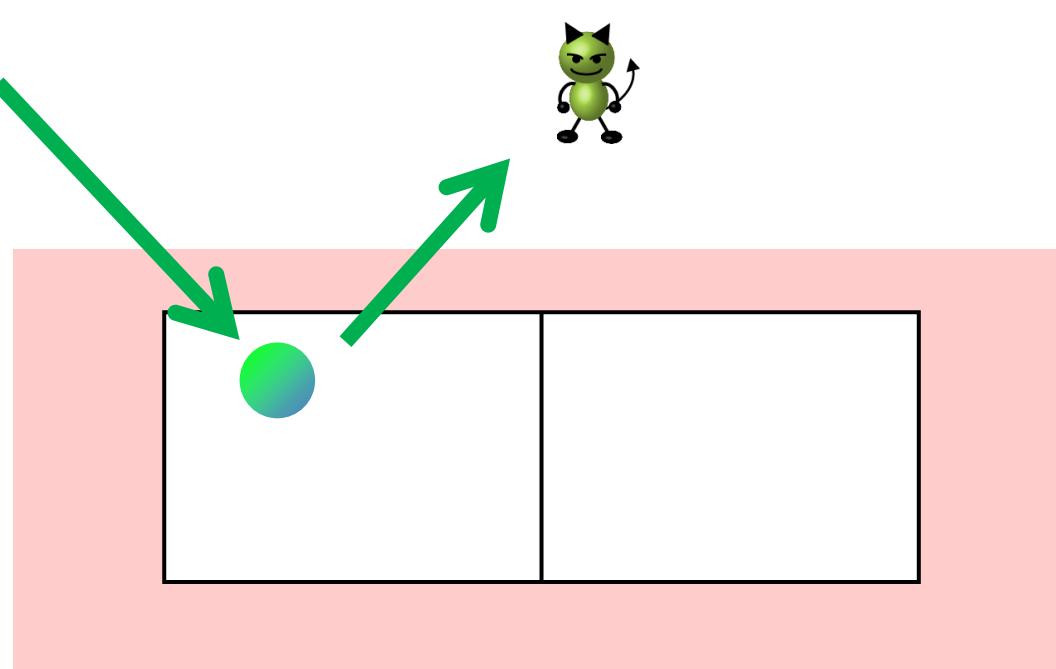
Brillouin's Argument

A photon is used to measure the position of the particle.

Photon's energy \gg Background radiation

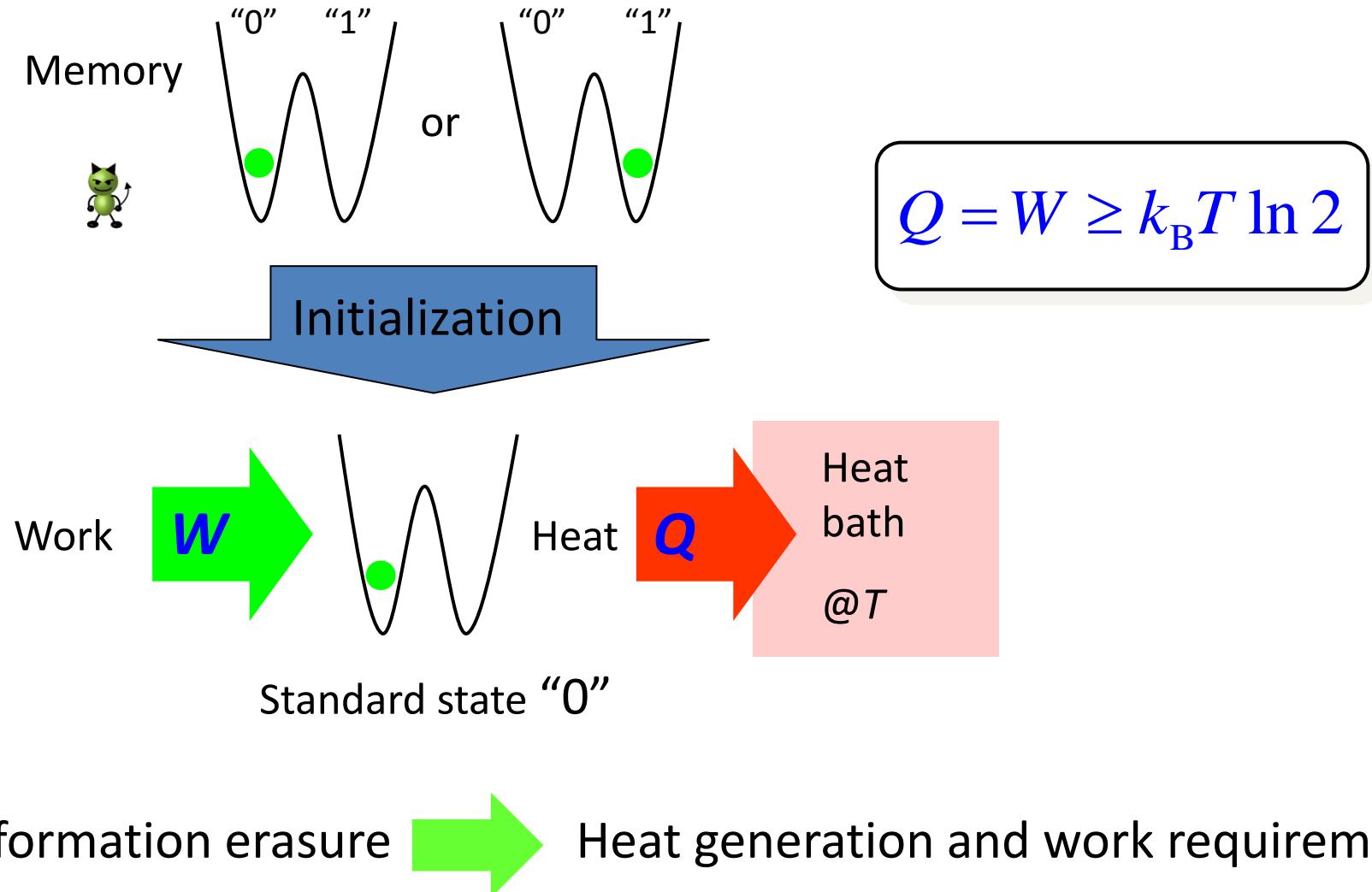
$$\hbar\omega \gg k_B T$$

$$W_{\text{photon}} \gg k_B T \ln 2$$



Landauer's Principle for Information Erasure

R. Landauer, IBM J. Res. Dev. 5, 183 (1961)



Proof of the Landauer Principle

$$Q \leq T\Delta S \quad : \text{Second law of thermodynamics}$$

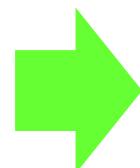
$$\Delta S = -k_B \ln 2 \quad : \text{Decrease of one bit of information entropy}$$

$$Q \leq -k_B T \ln 2 \quad \leftrightarrow \quad Q_{\text{out}} \geq k_B T \ln 2$$

Absorbed heat

Heat generation

$$\Delta E = 0 \quad (\text{energy degeneration})$$



$$W = \Delta E + Q_{\text{out}} \geq k_B T \ln 2$$

K. Shizume, Phys. Rev. E **52**, 3495 (1995).

B. Piechocinska, Phys. Rev. A **61**, 062314 (2000).

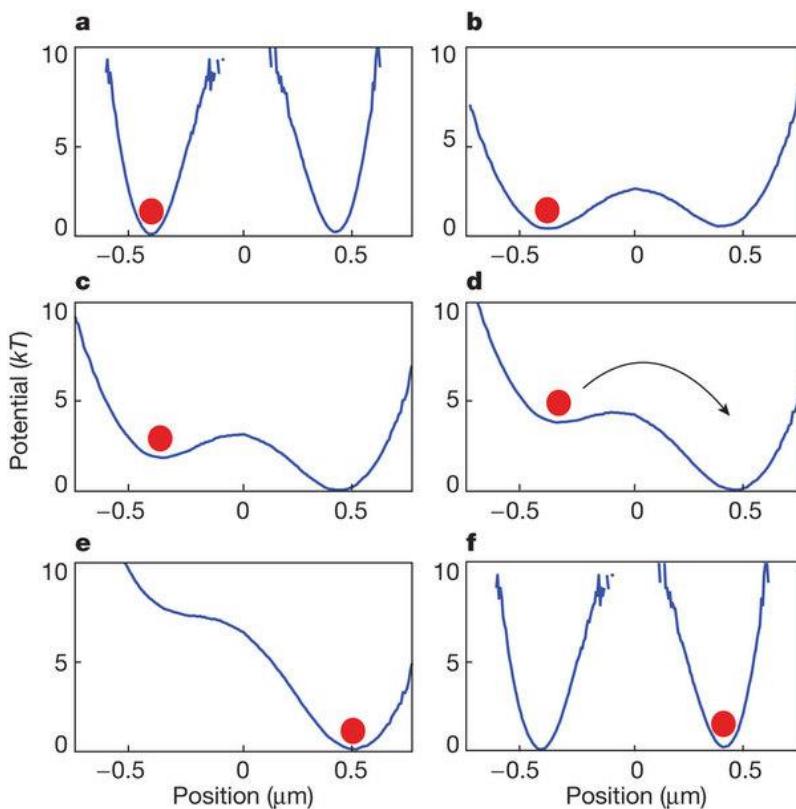
Experimental Verification

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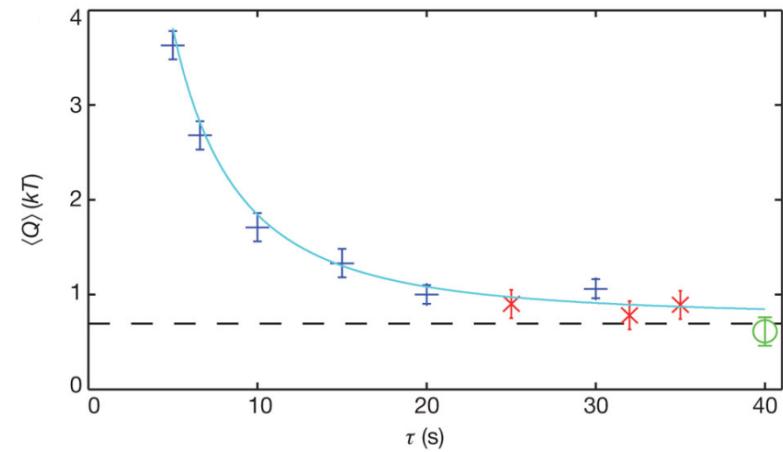
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Nature **483**, 187–189 (2012)



Bennett's Argument

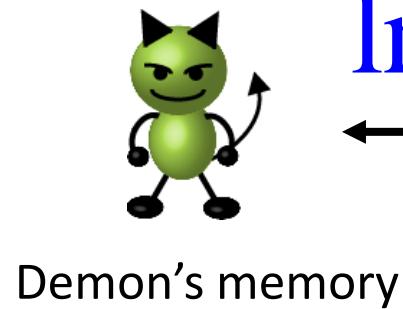
C. H. Bennett, Int. J. Theor. Phys. **21**, 905 (1982).

For a cycle of the engine and the demon...

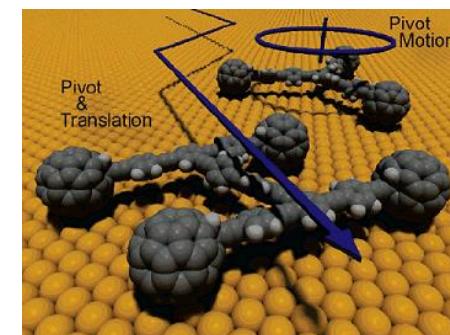
$$-k_B T \ln 2 + k_B T \ln 2 \leq 0$$



This cost is needed for
the logically irreversible
information erasure.



$\ln 2$



Is this the final answer?

Asymmetric Memory

Standard state “0” of the memory with free energy F_0

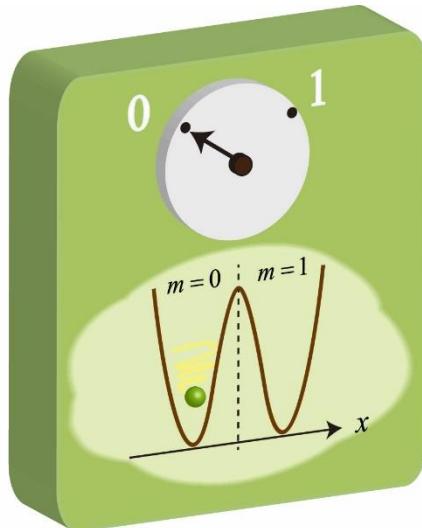
The memory stores measurement outcome “ m ” with probability p_m .

Free-energy difference: $\Delta F \equiv \sum_m p_m F_m - F_0$

Conditional free energy with m

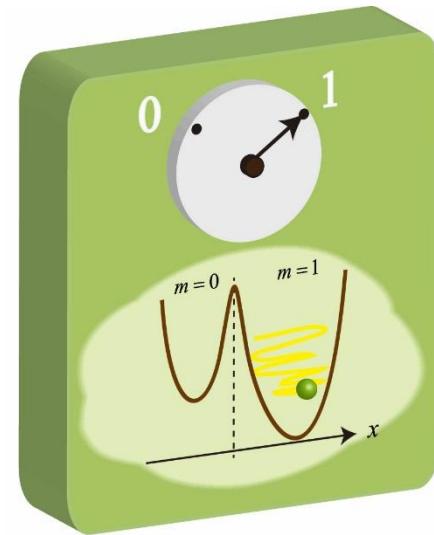
**Symmetric
memory**

$$\Delta F = 0$$



**Asymmetric
memory**

$$\Delta F \neq 0$$



Measurement and Information Erasure: Setup

Isothermal information processing at temperature T

Standard state “0” of the memory with free energy F_0



The memory interacts with a measured system, and stores measurement outcome “ k ” with probability p_k .

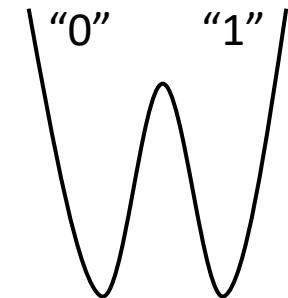
$$\text{Free-energy difference } \Delta F \equiv \sum_k p_k F_k - F_0$$



The memory detaches from the measured system, and returns to the initial state “0” with unit probability

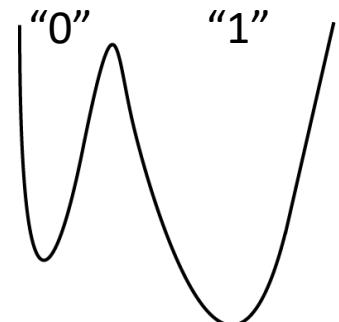
$$\text{Free-energy difference } -\Delta F$$

Symmetric memory $\Delta F = 0$



Measurement

Asymmetric memory $\Delta F \neq 0$



Erasure

Determined the fundamental energy cost for the measurement and erasure

Minimal Energy Cost for Information Erasure

$$W_{\text{eras}} \geq k_B TH - \Delta F$$

$$H = - \sum_k p_k \ln p_k \quad : \text{Shannon information of the stored outcome}$$

If the free-energy difference is given by $\Delta F = 0$,

$$W_{\text{eras}} \geq k_B TH \quad : \text{Landauer's principle}$$

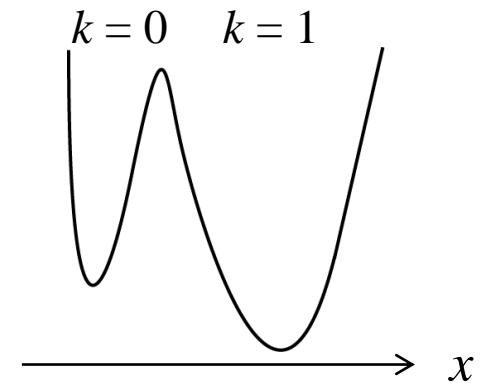
If $\Delta F \neq 0$, $W_{\text{eras}} < k_B TH$ is achievable.

TS and M. Ueda, PRL **102**, 250602 (2009)
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Decomposition of the Memory's Entropy (1)

$$P[x] = \sum_k p_k P_k[x] \quad : \text{statistical mixture}$$

(The supports of $P_k(x)$ are assumed to be non-crossing)



$$H(\mathbf{P}) = \sum_k p_k H(\mathbf{P}_k) + H(\mathbf{p})$$

Total entropy

Thermal entropy

Shannon Information

$$H(\mathbf{P}) = - \sum_x P[x] \ln P[x]$$

$$H(\mathbf{P}_k) = - \sum_x P_k[x] \ln P_k[x]$$

$$H(\mathbf{p}) = - \sum_k p_k \ln p_k$$

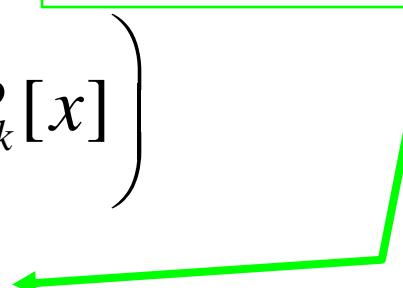
T. M. Cover and J. A. Thomas,
“Elements of Information Theory”

Decomposition of the Memory's Entropy (2)

Proof of the decomposition formula

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$$\begin{aligned} H(\mathbf{P}) &= -\sum_x \left(\sum_k p_k P_k[x] \right) \ln \left(\sum_k p_k P_k[x] \right) \\ &= -\sum_k \sum_x p_k P_k[x] \ln(p_k P_k[x]) \\ &= -\sum_k \sum_x p_k P_k[x] \ln P_k[x] - \sum_k p_k \ln p_k \\ &= \sum_k p_k H(P_k) + H(\mathbf{p}) \end{aligned}$$



Proof of the generalized Landauer principle

$$P[x] = \sum_k p_k P_k[x] \text{ : initial state} \quad \rightarrow \quad P[x] = \sum_k p'_k P_k[x] \text{ : final state}$$

For information erasure: $p'_0 = 1$

$$P_k[x] = \exp(\beta(F_k - E_k[x])) \text{ : local equilibrium state under the condition of } k$$

$$H(\mathbf{P}) = \sum_k p_k H(\mathbf{P}_k) + H(\mathbf{p}) \quad \rightarrow \quad \Delta H(\mathbf{P}) = \sum_k \Delta p_k H(\mathbf{P}_k) + \Delta H(\mathbf{p})$$
$$\Delta p_k = p'_k - p_k \quad \Delta H(\mathbf{p}) = H(\mathbf{p}') - H(\mathbf{p})$$

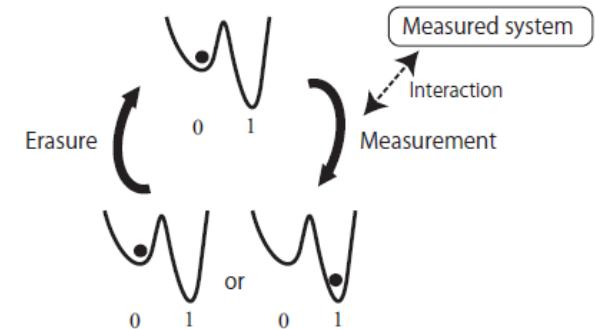
$$\Delta H(\mathbf{P}) \geq \beta Q \quad \leftrightarrow \quad \beta \sum_k \Delta p_k (\langle E_k \rangle - F_k) + \Delta H(\mathbf{p}) \geq \beta Q$$
$$\leftrightarrow \quad W \geq -k_B T \Delta H(\mathbf{p}) - \Delta F$$

For information erasure: $W \geq k_B T H(\mathbf{p}) - \Delta F$

Minimal Energy Cost for Measurement

$$W_{\text{meas}} \geq \underline{-k_B TH + \Delta F} + k_B T I$$

Cf. $W_{\text{eras}} \geq \underline{k_B TH - \Delta F}$



If $\Delta F = 0$ and $H = I$, then $W_{\text{meas}} \geq 0$

Determined **the fundamental lower bound** based on statistical mechanics

- Valid for both quantum and classical cases
- R.H.S. depends on both the Shannon and mutual information

Assumed that the measurement is adiabatic in terms of the measured system

TS and M. Ueda, PRL **102**, 250602 (2009); **106**, 189901(E) (2011).

Trade-off Relation

There is no fundamental lower bound to the individual work needed for measurement or erasure,
but there exists the fundamental minimal work for the sum of them.

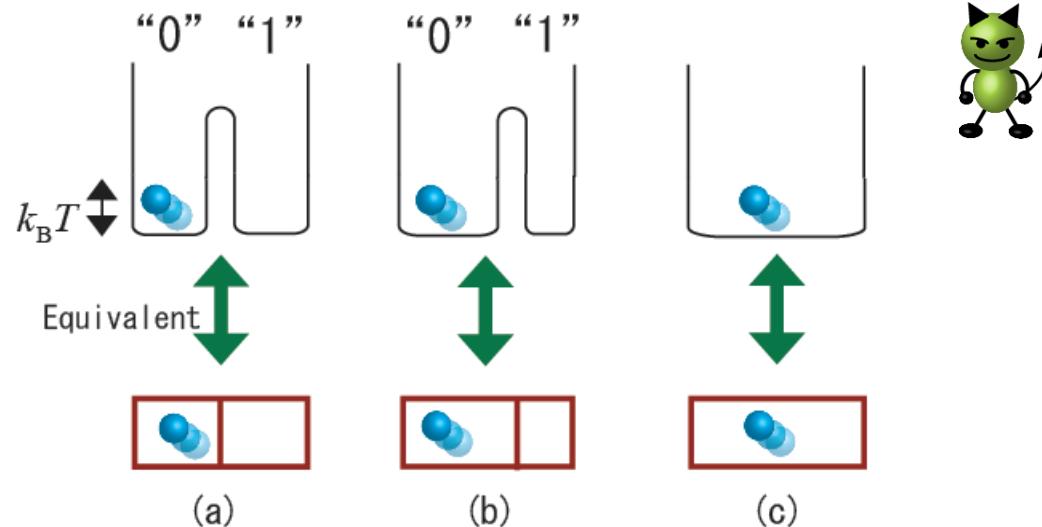
Landauer's principle

$$\begin{aligned} W_{\text{meas}} &\geq -k_B TH + \Delta F + k_B TI \\ +) \quad W_{\text{eras}} &\geq k_B TH - \Delta F \\ \hline W_{\text{meas}} + W_{\text{eras}} &\geq k_B TI \end{aligned}$$

New term

The lower bound depends neither on the Shannon information content nor on the free-energy difference, but only on the mutual information content between the measured system and the memory.

A Toy Model of Memory



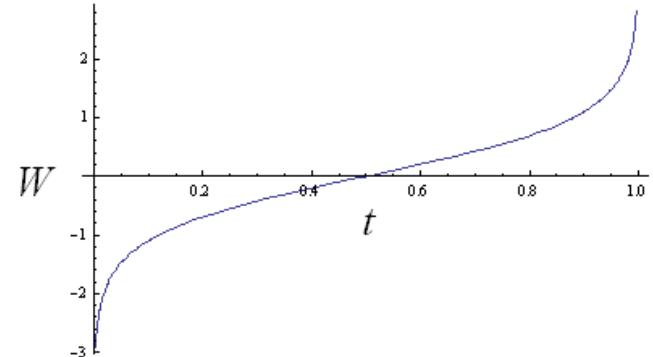
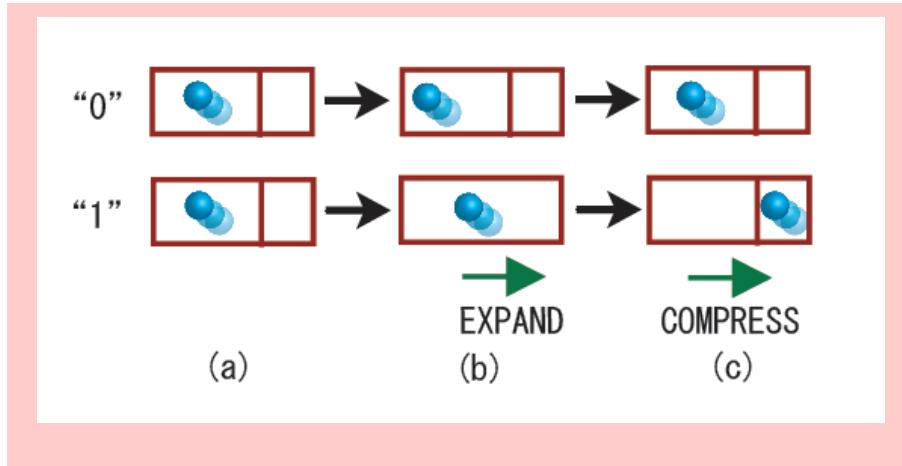
Ratio of the volumes $t : 1 - t$

M. M. Barkeshli, arXiv:cond-mat/0504323 (2005).

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Model of Measurement



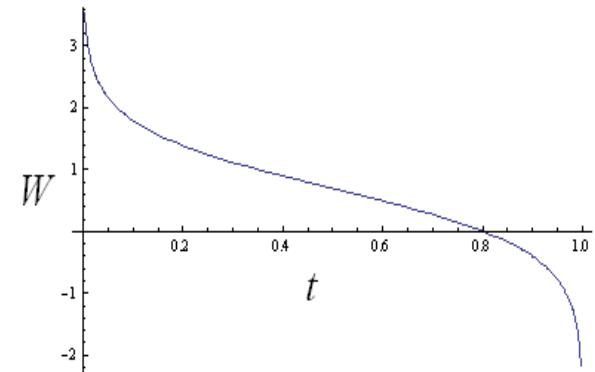
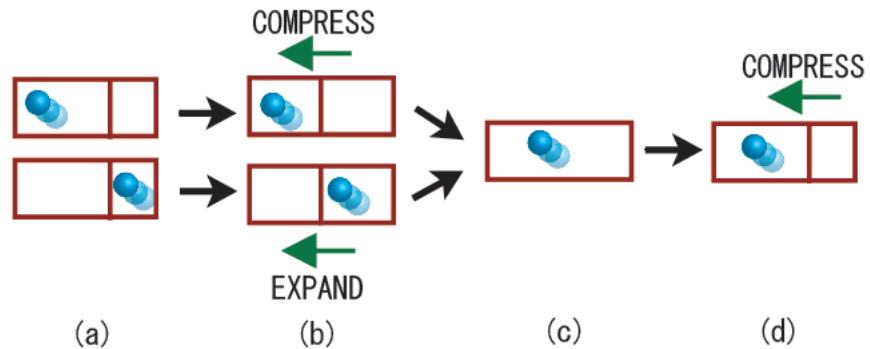
Cf. $W_{\text{meas}} \geq -k_{\text{B}}T(H - I) + \Delta F$

$$W_{\text{meas}} = (k_{\text{B}}T / 2) \ln(t / (1 - t))$$

Symmetric memory: $t = 1/2 \Rightarrow W_{\text{meas}} = 0$

Asymmetric memory: $t = 4/5 \Rightarrow W_{\text{meas}} = k_{\text{B}}T \ln 2$

Model of Information Erasure



Cf. $W_{\text{eras}} \geq k_{\text{B}}TH - \Delta F$

$$W_{\text{eras}} = k_B T \ln 2 - (k_B T / 2) \ln(t/(1-t))$$

Symmetric memory: $t = 1/2 \Rightarrow W_{\text{eras}} = k_B T \ln 2$

Asymmetric memory: $t = 4/5 \Rightarrow W_{\text{eras}} = 0$

Trade-off relation for arbitrary t

$$W_{\text{meas}} + W_{\text{eras}} = k_{\text{B}} T \ln 2$$

Entropy Balance

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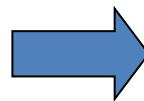
(The supports of $P_k(x)$ are assumed to be non-crossing)

$$H(\mathbf{P}) = \sum_k p_k H(\mathbf{P}_k) + H(p)$$

Total entropy Thermal entropy Information



or



V : Volume of the box

$$\frac{1}{2} \left(\ln\left(\frac{1}{2}V\right) + \ln\left(\frac{1}{2}V\right) \right) + \ln 2$$

Thermal entropy

Information

$$\ln\left(\frac{1}{2}V\right) + 0$$



$-\ln 2$ of difference



Dissipation



or



$$\frac{1}{2} \left(\ln\left(\frac{4}{5}V\right) + \ln\left(\frac{1}{5}V\right) \right) + \ln 2$$

Thermal entropy

Information

No entropy change
(No dissipation)

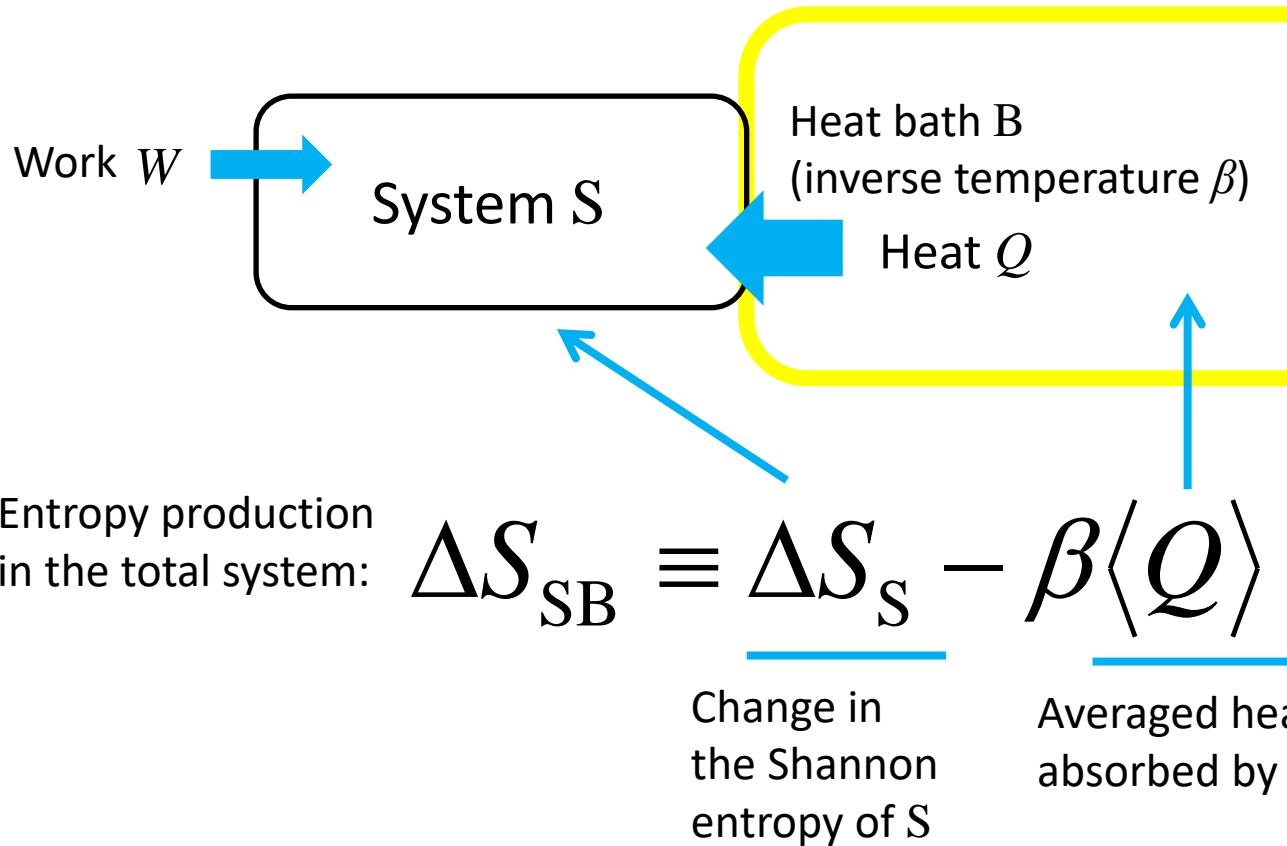
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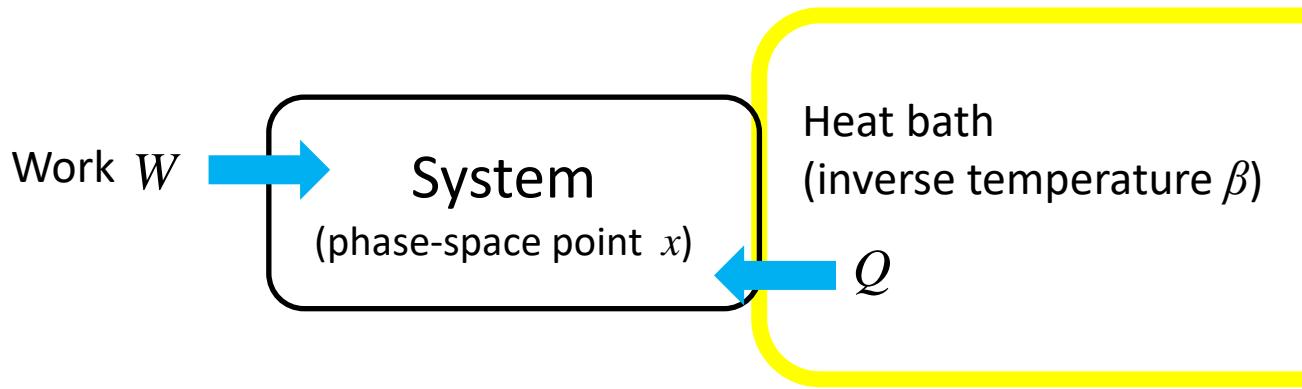
Stochastic dynamics of system S (e.g., Langevin system)



If the initial and the final states are canonical distributions: $\Delta S_{SB} = \beta(\langle W \rangle - \Delta F)$

Free-energy difference ↑

Stochastic Entropy Production



Stochastic entropy production along a trajectory of the system from time 0 to τ

$$\Delta s_{\text{SB}} \equiv \Delta s_S - \beta Q$$

$$\Delta s_S \equiv s_S[x(\tau), \tau] - s_S[x(0), 0] \quad s_S[x, t] \equiv -\ln P[x, t]$$

$$\langle \Delta s_S \rangle = \Delta S_S \quad P[x, t] : \text{probability distribution at time } t$$

If the initial and the final states are canonical distributions: $\Delta s_{\text{SB}} = \beta(W - \Delta F)$

Integral Fluctuation Theorem and Jarzynski Equality

Integral fluctuation theorem

$$\langle e^{-\Delta s_{SB}} \rangle = 1$$

Seifert, PRL (2005), ...

for any initial and final distributions

Second law can be expressed by an **equality** with full cumulants



The second law of thermodynamics (Clausius inequality)

$$\langle \Delta s_{SB} \rangle \geq 0$$



$$\Delta S_S \geq \beta \langle Q \rangle$$

Jarzynski equality

Jarzynski, PRL (1997)

$$\Delta s_{SB} = \beta(W - \Delta F)$$



$$\langle e^{-\beta W} \rangle = e^{-\beta \Delta F}$$

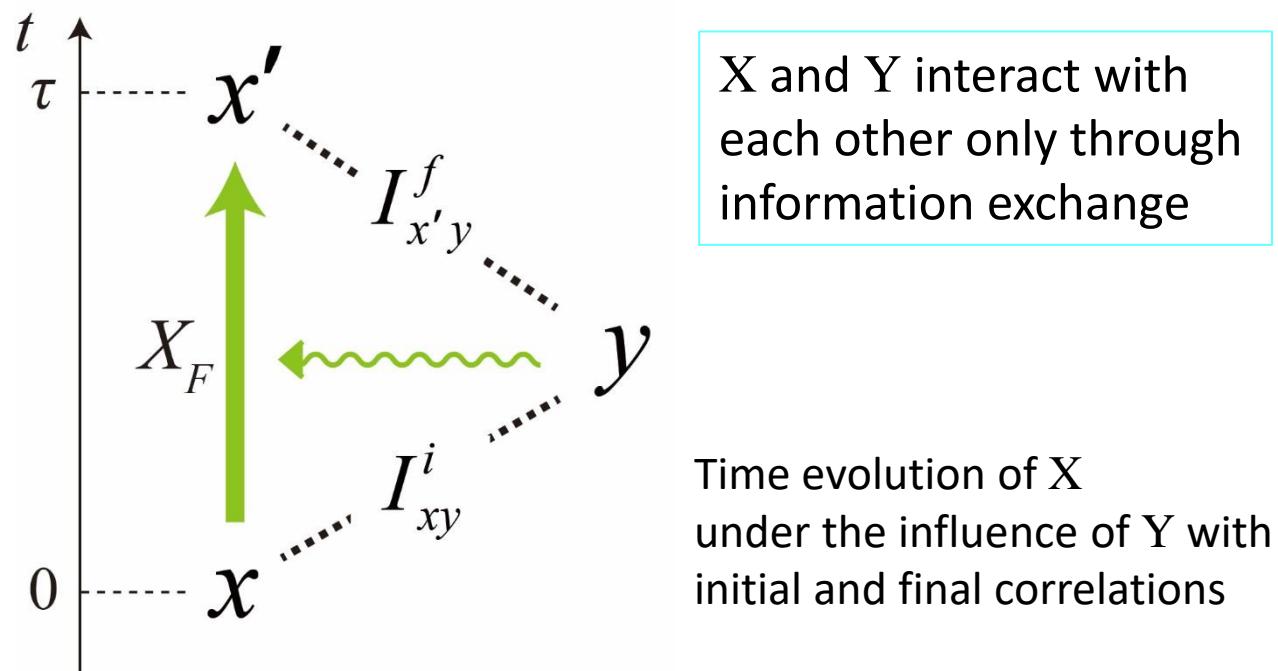
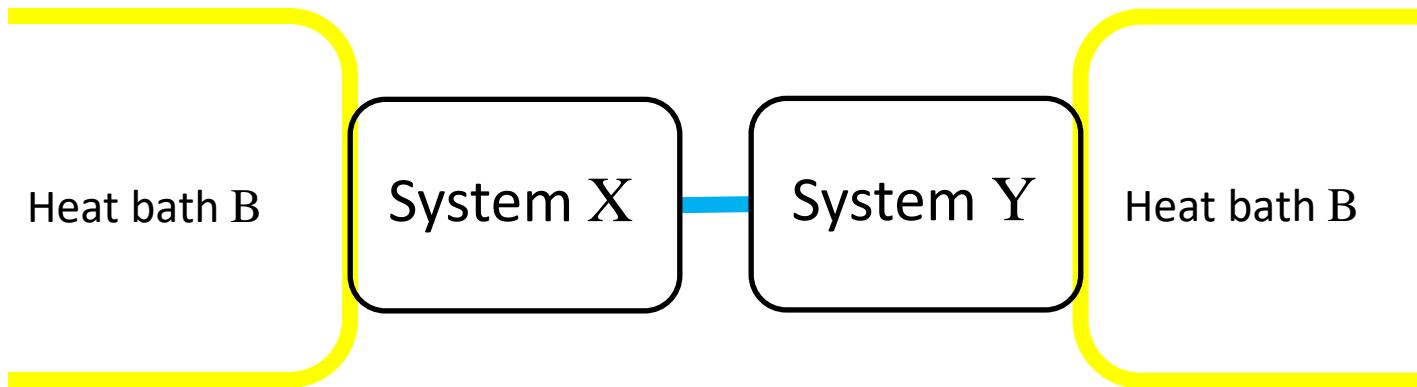


$$\langle W \rangle \geq \Delta F$$

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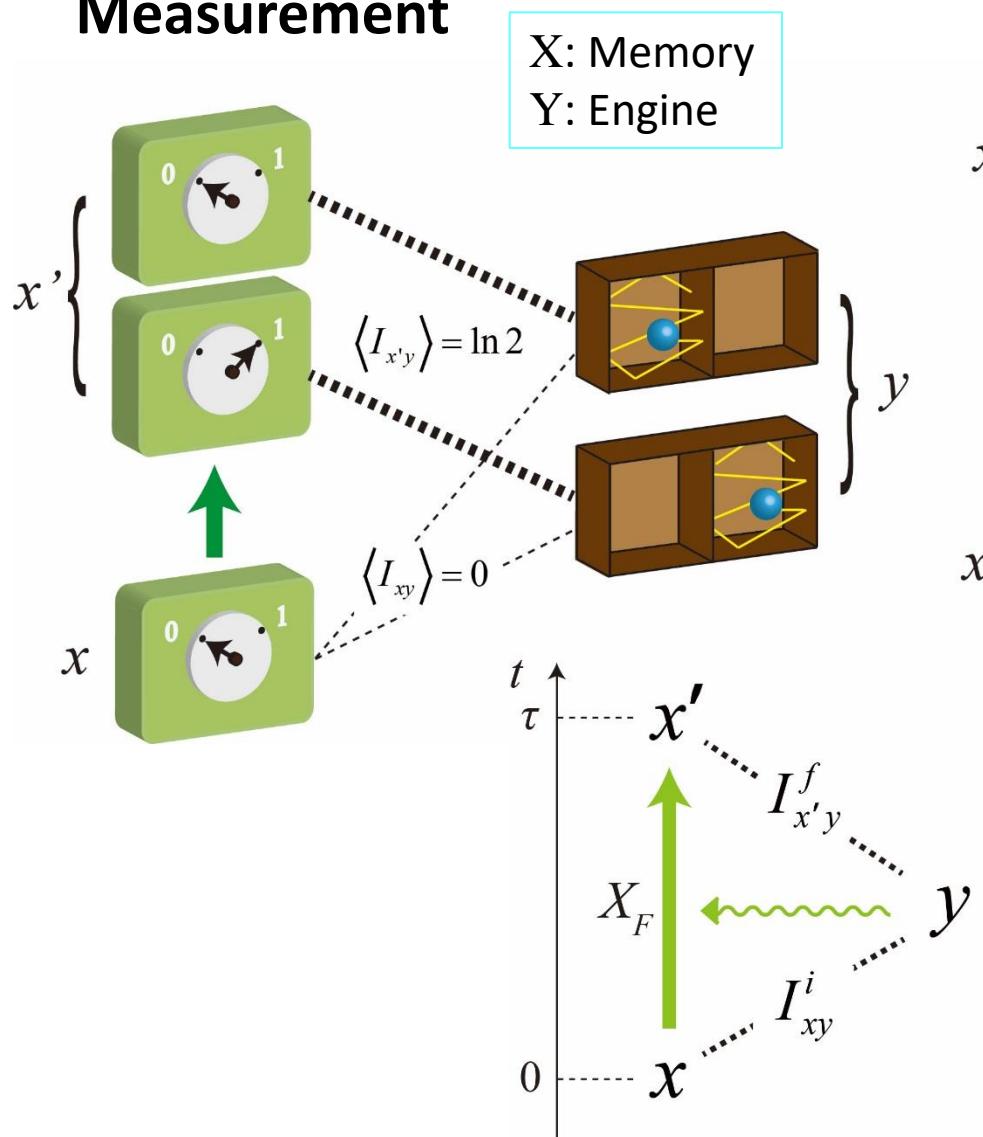
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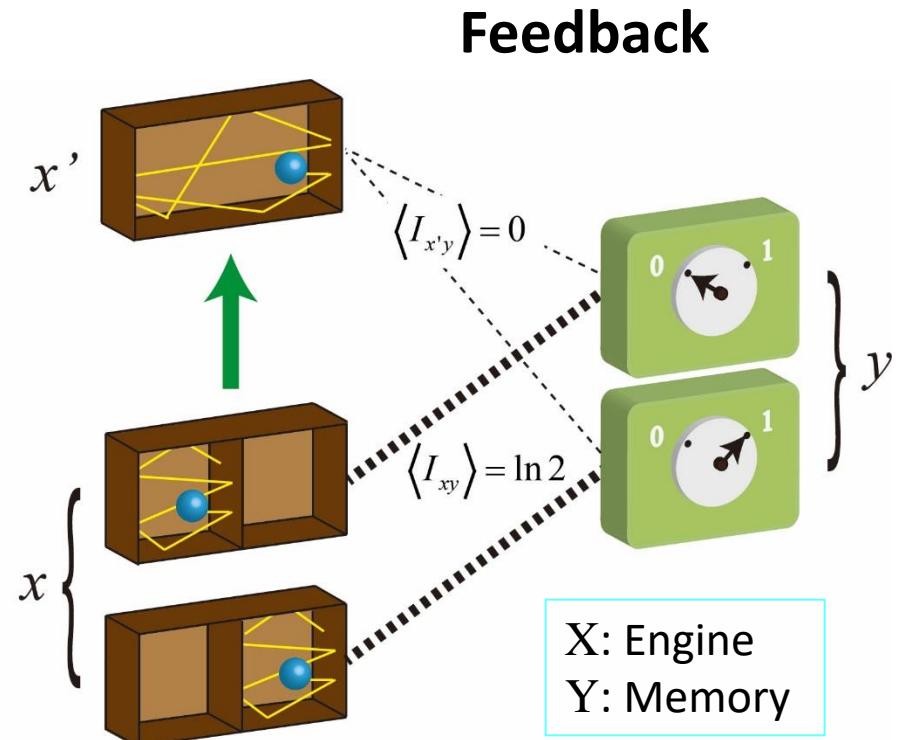


Special Cases: Measurement and Feedback

Measurement



Feedback

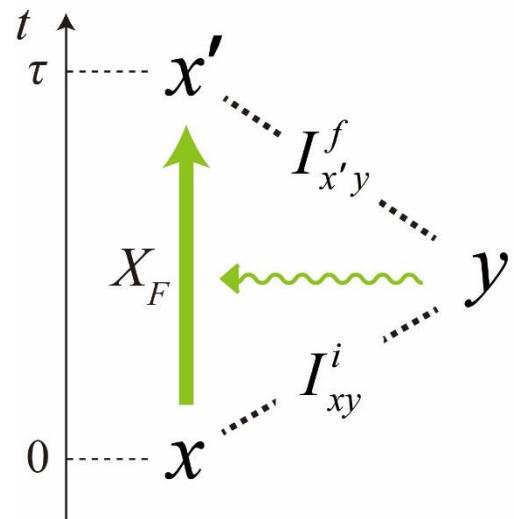


Entropy and Mutual Information

Entropy increase in XB

$$\Delta S_{XB} \equiv \Delta S_X - \beta Q_X$$

Initial correlation



$$I(X : Y) = \int dx dy P[x, y] \ln \frac{P[x, y]}{P[x]P[y]}$$

Final correlation

$$I(X' : Y) = \int dx' dy P[x', y] \ln \frac{P[x', y]}{P[x']P[y]}$$

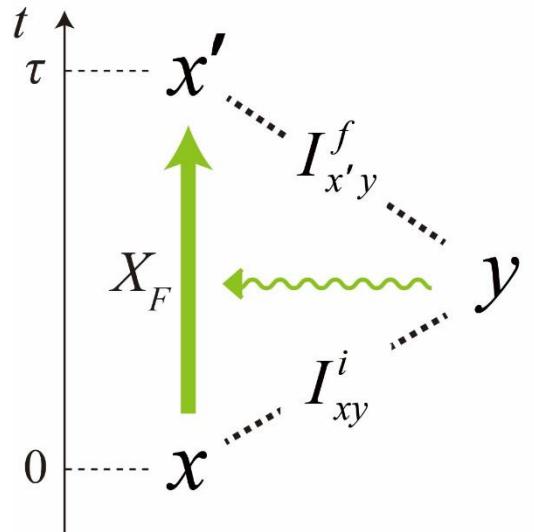
Decomposition of Total Entropy

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta S_{\text{XYB}} &\equiv \Delta S_{\text{XY}} - \beta Q_{\text{X}} \\ &= \Delta S_{\text{XB}} - \Delta I\end{aligned}$$

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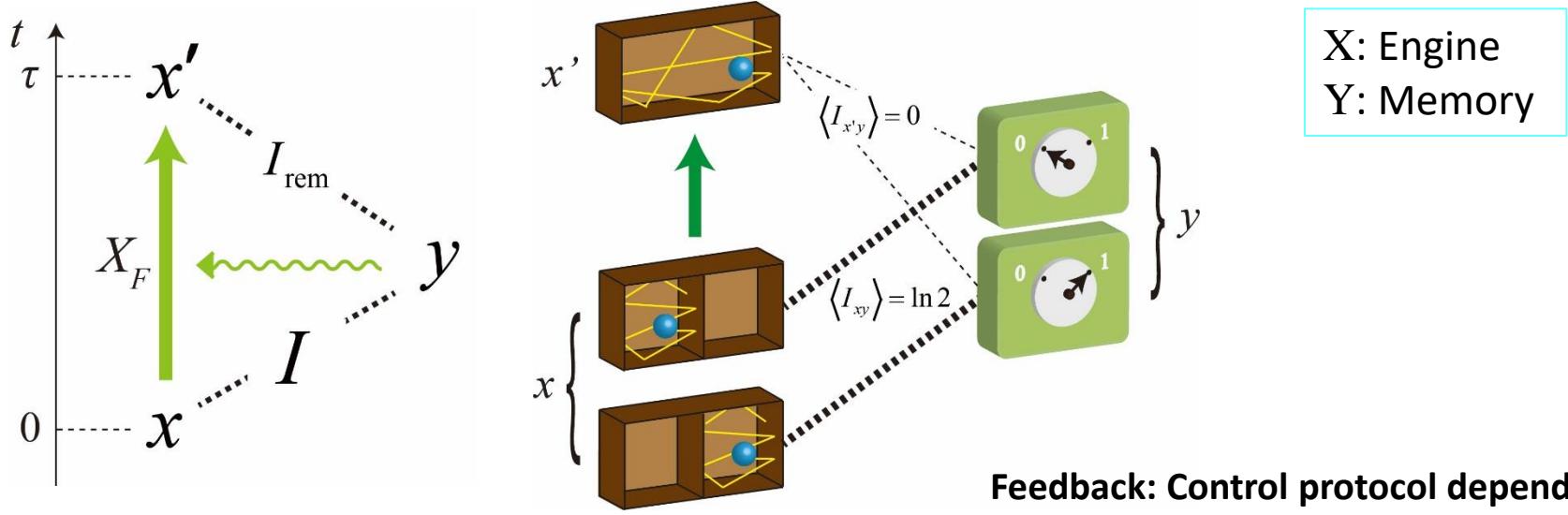
Second law:

$$\Delta S_{\text{XYB}} \geq 0$$



$$\Delta S_{\text{XB}} \geq \Delta I$$

Special Case 1: Feedback Control



Feedback: Control protocol depends on the measurement outcome

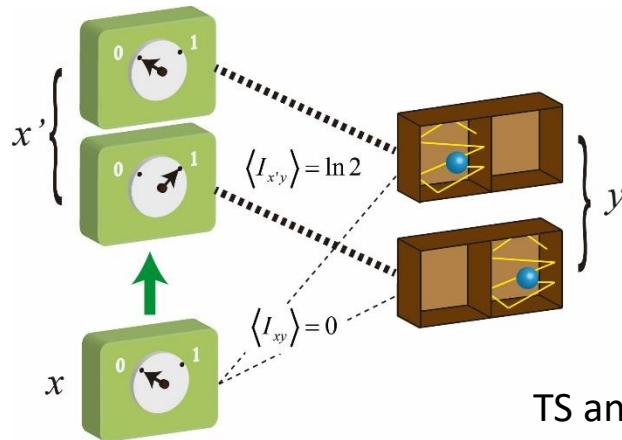
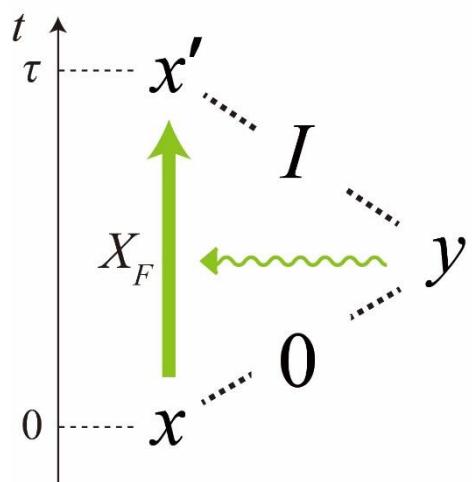
$$\Delta I \equiv I_{\text{rem}} - I$$

→ $\Delta S_{\text{XB}} \geq -(\underline{I} - I_{\text{rem}})$ (Upper bound of) the correlation that is used by feedback

→ $W_{\text{ext}} \leq -\Delta F + k_{\text{B}} T I$
Extractable work

TS and M. Ueda, PRL **100**, 080403 (2008).
TS and M. Ueda, PRL **104**, 090602 (2010).

Special Case 2: Measurement



X: Memory
Y: Engine

TS and M. Ueda, PRL **102**, 250602 (2009)
TS and M. Ueda, PRL **109**, 180602 (2012)

$$\Delta I \equiv I \quad \Rightarrow \quad \Delta S_{XB} \geq I$$

$$\beta W_X \geq \underbrace{\beta \Delta E_X - \Delta S_X}_{\text{Nonequilibrium free energy of the memory}} + I$$

Work cost for measurement

Nonequilibrium free energy of the memory

Additional energy cost to obtain information

Measurement & Erasure

Measurement cost

$$W_{\text{meas}} \geq (\Delta E - k_B T \Delta S) + k_B T I$$

Erasure cost

+)

$$W_{\text{eras}} \geq -(\Delta E - k_B T \Delta S)$$

$$W_{\text{meas}} + W_{\text{eras}} \geq k_B T I$$

Fundamental trade-off!

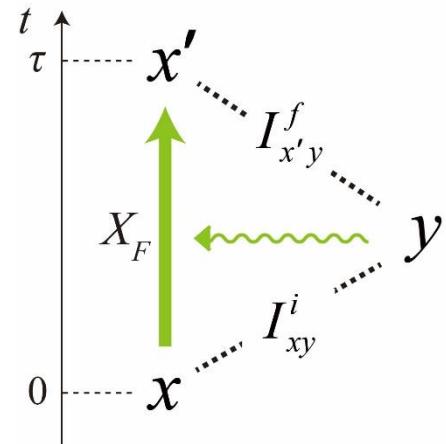
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Second Law of Information Thermodynamics: Summary

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta S_{XYB} &\equiv \Delta S_{XY} - \beta Q_X \\ &= \Delta S_{XB} - \Delta I\end{aligned}$$

$$\rightarrow \Delta S_{XB} \geq \Delta I$$



Feedback:

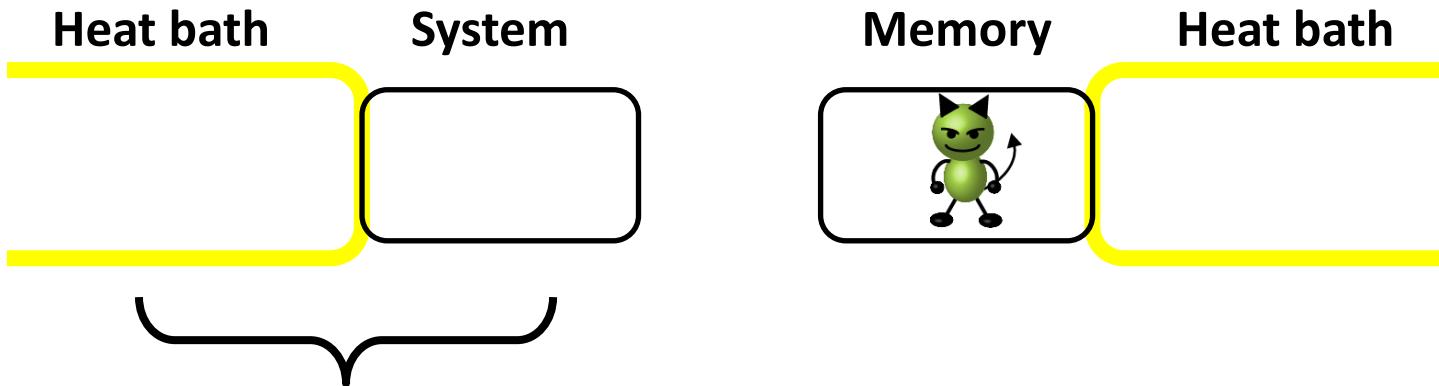
$$\Delta S_{XB} \geq -I$$

Measurement:

$$\Delta S_{XB} \geq I$$

Unified formulation of measurement and feedback

Paradox of Maxwell's Demon

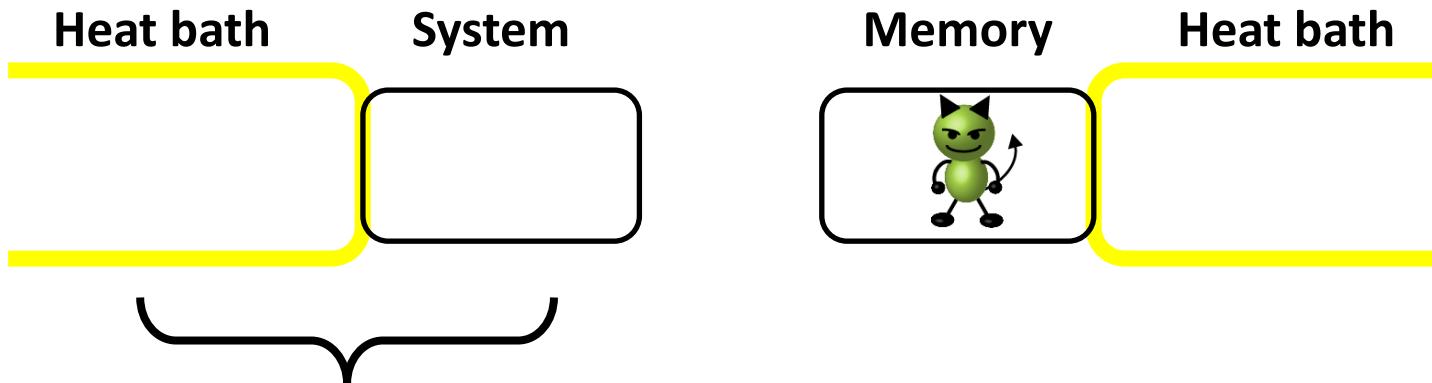


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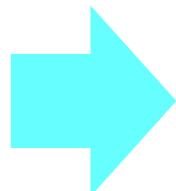
For Szilard engine, $\langle \Delta s_{SB} \rangle = -\ln 2$



Revisiting the Paradox of Maxwell's Demon



What compensates for the entropy decrease here?



Mutual-information change compensates for it.

For Szilard engine, $\Delta S_{SB} = -\ln 2$



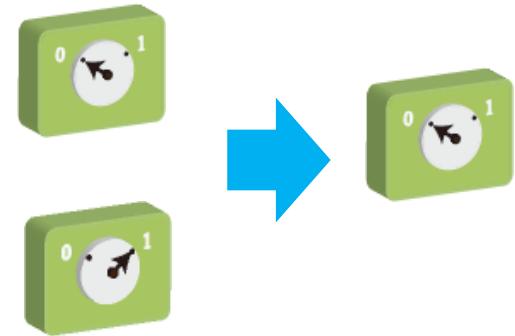
$$\Delta S_{SMB} = \Delta S_{SB} + I = -\ln 2 + \ln 2 = 0$$

Logical vs Thermodynamic Reversibility

Logically reversible:

$$\Delta S_S = 0$$

Zero entropy change in
the logical states
(Assume: symmetric memory)



Thermodynamically reversible:

$$\Delta S_S - \beta Q = 0$$

Zero entropy production in
the system and the bath

They are fundamentally distinct concepts!

Key Observations

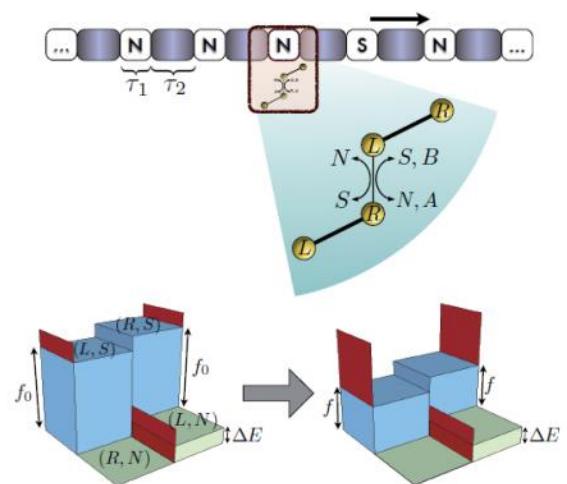
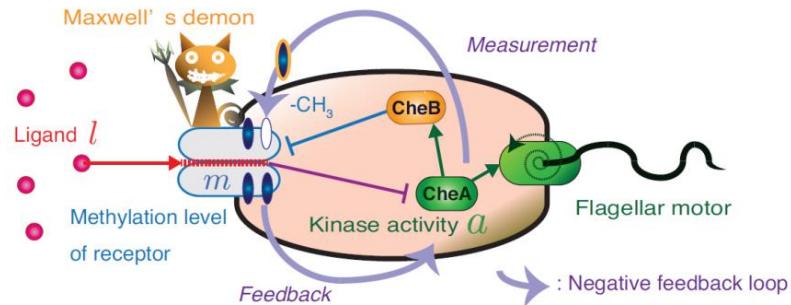
- Maxwell's demon is consistent with the second law for measurement and feedback processes *individually*
 - The mutual information term in the entropy production is the key
- We don't necessarily need to consider the information erasure to understand the consistency

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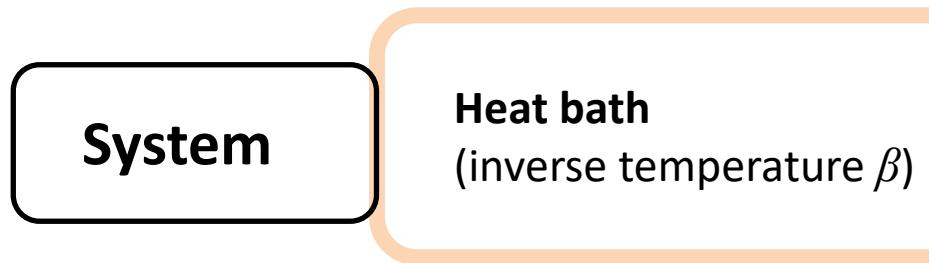
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Thermodynamics of autonomous information processing

- Measurement and feedback are continuous in time
- No control by an external agent
- Relevant to biological information processing and artificial nanomachines



Reminder: Second law of thermodynamics



System's Shannon entropy:

$$S \equiv -\sum_x P(x) \ln P(x)$$

Heat absorption by the system: Q

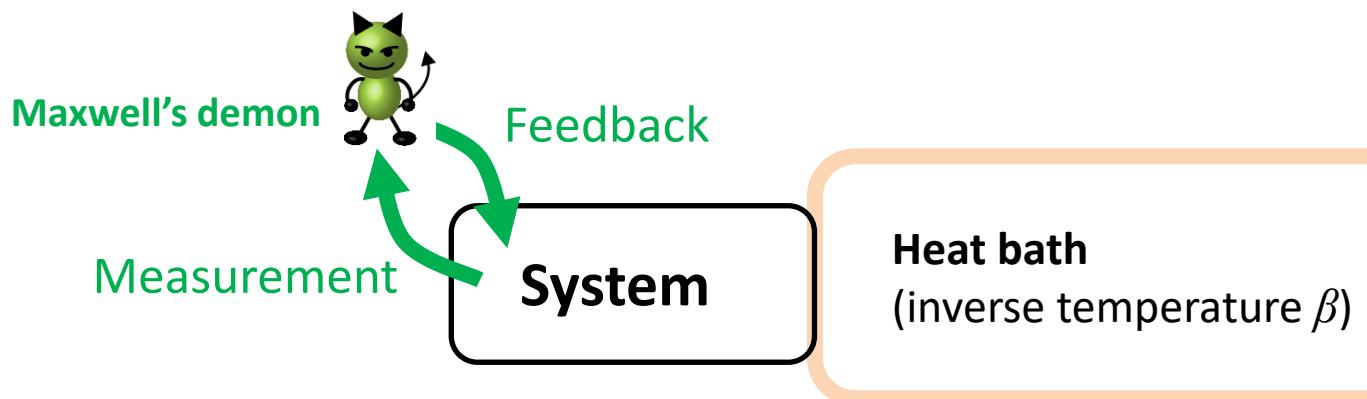
Entropy production rate

$$\dot{\Sigma} \equiv \dot{S} - \beta \dot{Q} \geq 0$$

Second law

Time integral: $\Sigma \equiv \int_0^\tau \dot{\Sigma} dt = \Delta S - \beta Q \geq 0$

Second law with single feedback



Generalized second law: $\Sigma \equiv \Delta S - \beta Q \geq -I$



Bound on the extractable work

$$W_{\text{ext}} \leq -\Delta F + k_{\text{B}} T I$$

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Fluctuation theorem

System

Heat bath
(inverse temperature β)

Stochastic Shannon entropy:

$$s(x) \equiv -\ln P(x)$$

Stochastic heat: q

$$\langle \dot{s} \rangle = \dot{S}$$

$$\langle \dot{q} \rangle = \dot{Q}$$

Stochastic entropy production rate:

$$\dot{\sigma} \equiv \dot{s} - \beta \dot{q}$$

$$\langle \dot{\sigma} \rangle = \dot{\Sigma}$$

Time integral: $\sigma \equiv \int \dot{\sigma} dt = \Delta s - \beta q$

Fluctuation theorem

$$\langle \exp(-\sigma) \rangle = 1$$



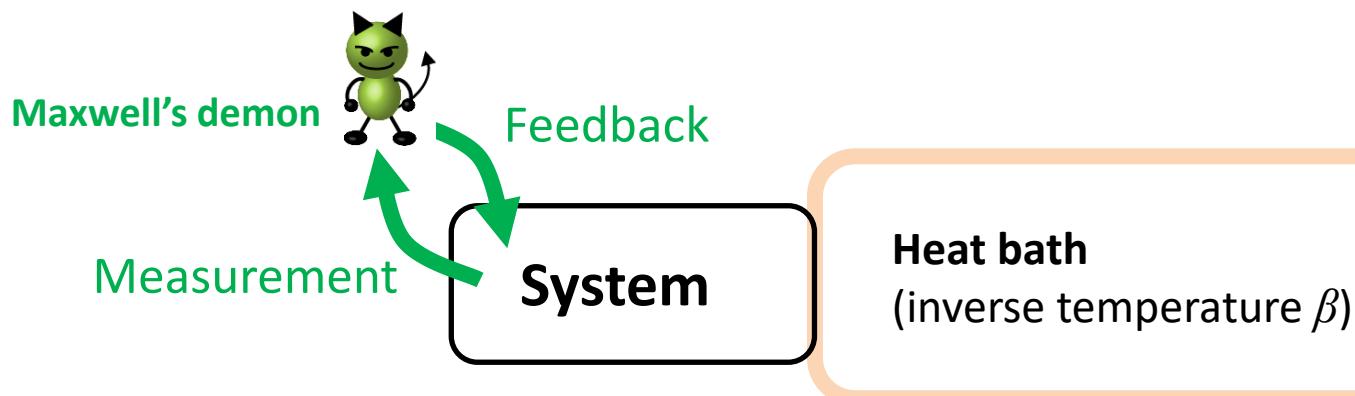
Second law:

$$\langle \sigma \rangle \geq 0$$



$$\Sigma \geq 0$$

Fluctuation theorem with single feedback



Stochastic mutual information: $i(x : y) \equiv \ln \frac{P(x, y)}{P(x)P(y)}$ $\langle i \rangle = I$

Generalized fluctuation theorem: $\langle \exp(-\sigma - i) \rangle = 1$

TS and M. Ueda, PRL 104, 090602 (2010)

Reproduce the generalized second law:



$$\langle \sigma \rangle \geq -\langle i \rangle$$



$$\Sigma \geq -I$$

Main Questions:

- How to quantify *continuous* information flow?
- How to relate it to the second law?
- How is it relevant to biophysics?

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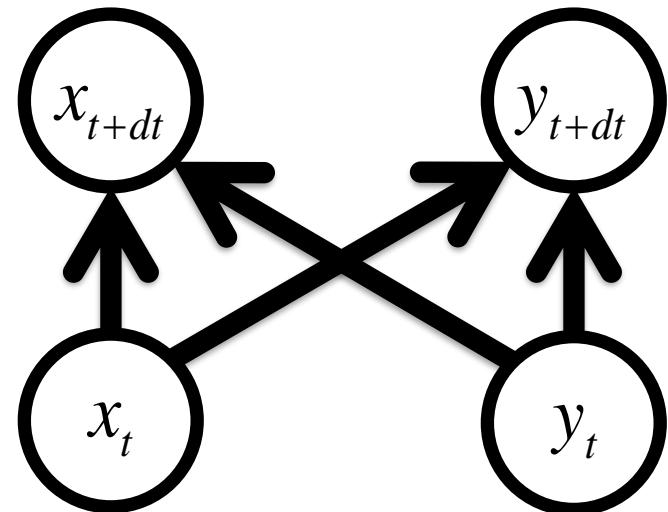
Setup: Bipartite Markov jump process

Master equation

$$\frac{d}{dt} P_t(x, y) = \sum_{x', y'} W_{x'x}^{y'y} P_t(x', y')$$

Bipartite property: No simultaneous transition!

$$W_{x'x}^{y'y} = 0 \quad \text{if } x \neq x' \text{ and } y \neq y'$$

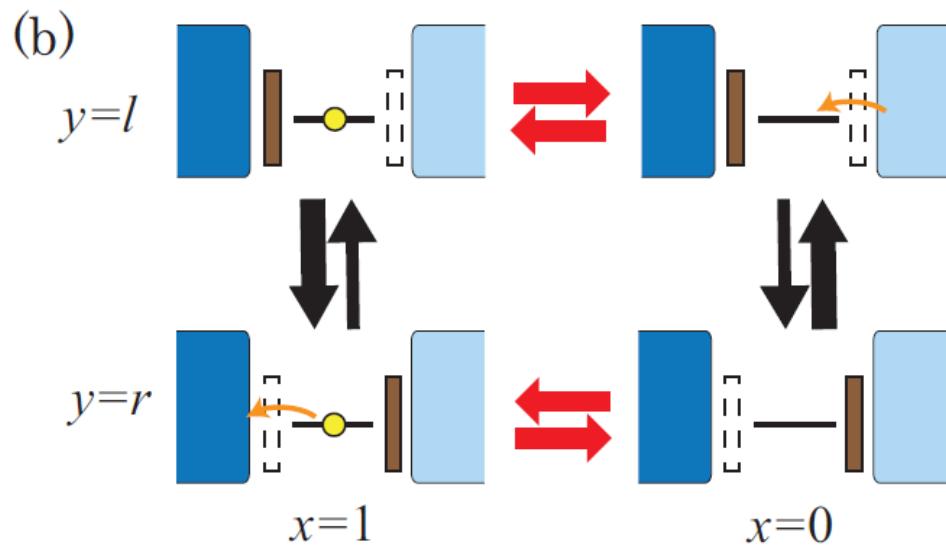
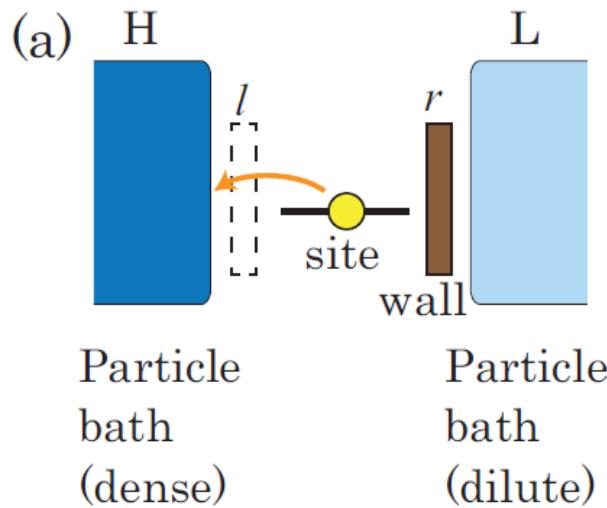


Probability flux: $J_{x' \rightarrow x}^y \equiv W_{x'x}^{yy} P_t(x', y)$ $J_x^{y' \rightarrow y} \equiv W_{xx}^{y'y} P_t(x, y')$

Various biochemical phenomena can be described by this setup

4-state model

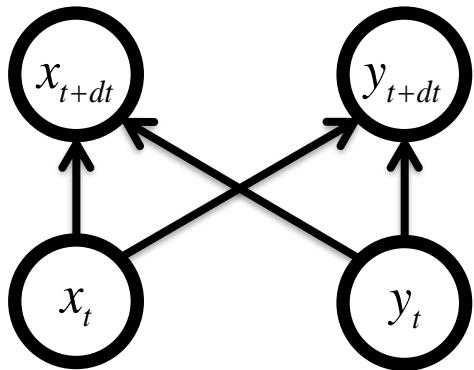
Simple example of autonomous measurement and feedback



**Particle = Engine
Wall = Demon**

Information flow (Learning rate)

Partial derivative of mutual information



$$\dot{I}_X \equiv \frac{I(X_{t+dt} : Y_t) - I(X_t : Y_t)}{dt}$$

$$\dot{I}_Y \equiv \frac{I(X_t : Y_{t+dt}) - I(X_t : Y_t)}{dt}$$

$$\rightarrow \dot{I}_X + \dot{I}_Y = \dot{I}_{XY} \equiv \frac{dI(X_t : Y_t)}{dt}$$

In steady states, $\dot{I}_X + \dot{I}_Y = 0$

$\dot{I}_Y > 0$: **Y is the demon** that obtains information about X

$\dot{I}_X < 0$: **X is the engine** that is feedback-controlled by Y

Second Law with information flow

Total entropy production: $\dot{\Sigma}_{\text{tot}} \equiv \dot{S}_{XY} - \beta \dot{Q}_{XY} \geq 0$

Entropy increase in subsystems: $\dot{\Sigma}_X \equiv \dot{S}_X - \beta \dot{Q}_X$ $\dot{\Sigma}_Y \equiv \dot{S}_Y - \beta \dot{Q}_Y$

Decomposition of the total entropy production:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{\Sigma}_{\text{tot}} &= \dot{\Sigma}_X + \dot{\Sigma}_Y - \dot{I}_{XY} \\ &= (\dot{\Sigma}_X - \dot{I}_X) + (\dot{\Sigma}_Y - \dot{I}_Y)\end{aligned}$$

Generalized second laws:

$$\dot{\Sigma}_X - \dot{I}_X \geq 0 \quad \dot{\Sigma}_Y - \dot{I}_Y \geq 0$$

$\dot{I}_X < 0$  $\dot{\Sigma}_X < 0$ is possible (Y is Maxwell's demon)

Towards the fluctuation theorem with information flow

How to define the *stochastic* information flow?

$$\frac{d}{dt} \underline{i_t(x_t : y_t)} = i_X + i_Y \quad \text{such that} \quad \langle i_X \rangle = \dot{I}_X \quad \langle i_Y \rangle = \dot{I}_Y$$

**Stochastic mutual
information**

Not so trivial than it looks like, but can be done with

$$i_X \equiv \frac{\underline{i_t(x_{t+dt} : y_t) - i_t(x_t : y_t)}}{dt} + \frac{1}{P_t(x_t, y_t)} \sum_{x'} J_{x' \rightarrow x_t}^{y_t} - \frac{1}{P_t(x_t)} \sum_{y, x'} J_{x' \rightarrow x_t}^y$$

Induced by state jumps of X

**Induced by the time evolution of the probability distributions,
without state jumps of X .
Vanishes with the ensemble average!**

Fluctuation theorem with information flow

Integrated stochastic information flow: $\Delta i_X \equiv \int i_X dt$

Generalized fluctuation theorem: $\langle \exp(-\sigma_X + \Delta i_X) \rangle = 1$

N. Shiraishi & T. Sagawa, Phys. Rev. E **91**, 012130 (2015)

Cf. Langevin case: Rosinberg & Horowitz, EPL **116** 10007 (2016)

Reproduce the generalized second law:

$$\langle \sigma_X \rangle - \langle \Delta i_X \rangle \geq 0 \quad \leftrightarrow \quad \Sigma_X - \Delta I_X \geq 0$$

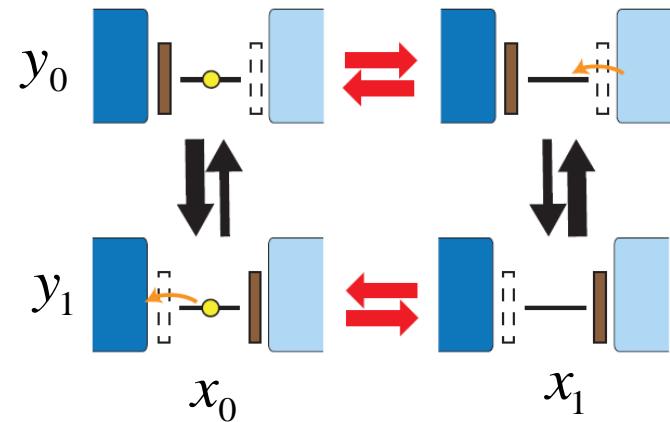
Information affinity

Suppose the steady state: $\dot{I} \equiv \dot{I}_Y = -\dot{I}_X$

F_X, F_Y : conventional thermodynamic affinity

J_X, J_Y : their conjugate current

$$\rightarrow \dot{\Sigma}_X = J_X F_X \quad \dot{\Sigma}_Y = J_Y F_Y$$



Information affinity:

$$F_I \equiv i(x_1 : y_0) - i(x_0 : y_0) + i(x_0 : y_1) - i(x_1 : y_1) = \ln \frac{P(x_1 : y_0)P(x_0 : y_1)}{P(x_0 : y_0)P(x_1 : y_1)}$$

$$\rightarrow \dot{I} = J_I F_I \quad J_I : \text{information driven current}$$

Generalized second law is rewritten as:

$$\dot{\Sigma}_X + \dot{I} = J_X F_X + J_I F_I \geq 0 \quad \dot{\Sigma}_Y - \dot{I} = J_Y F_Y - J_I F_I \geq 0$$

Onsager reciprocity with information affinity

Expand the currents in the *linear* regime:

$$J_X = L_{XX} F_X + L_{XI} F_I \quad J_I = L_{IX} F_X + L_{II} F_I$$

Reciprocity: $L_{IX} = L_{XI}$

Yamamoto, Ito, Shiraishi, Sagawa,
Phys. Rev. E **94**, 052121 (2016)

- ✓ Even with the information affinity: Quite nontrivial!
- ✓ The proof is based on the Schnakenberg's network theory
J. Schnakenberg, Rev. Mod. Phys. **48**, 571 (1976)
- ✓ Fluctuation-dissipation theorem fails in the presence of the information affinity.

In the linear regime, $\dot{\Sigma}_X + \dot{I} = L_{XX} F_X^2 + 2L_{XI} F_X F_I + L_{II} F_I^2$

Generalized second law can be expressed as

$$L_{XX} \geq 0 \quad L_{II} \geq 0 \quad L_{XX} L_{II} - L_{XI}^2 \geq 0$$

Application: Efficiency at maximum power

Is there any universal bound on the efficiency at maximum power?

Seminal works:

F. Curzon & B. Ahlborn, Am. J. Phys. **43**, 22 (1975)

C. Van den Broeck, Phys. Rev. Lett. **95**, 190602 (2005)

Power = Work per unit time



Extension to information thermodynamics,
based on the Onsager reciprocity with information affinity

Yamamoto, Ito, Shiraishi, Sagawa, Phys. Rev. E **94**, 052121 (2016)

Information-thermodynamic efficiency: $\eta \equiv -\frac{J_X F_X}{J_I F_I} \leq 1$ Generalized second law

Power: $P \equiv -J_X F_X$

In the linear regime, the efficiency at maximum P bounded as

The same form as the conventional bound!

$$\eta \leq \frac{1}{2}$$

The equality is achieved if and only if the tight-coupling condition $L_{XX} L_{II} - L_{XI}^2 = 0$

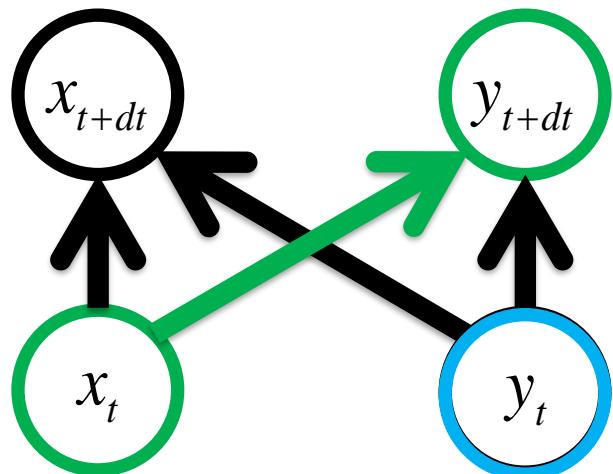
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Transfer entropy

Directional information transfer between two systems



Transfer entropy:

Directional information transfer
from X to Y
during time t and $t + dt$

Conditional mutual information

$$\dot{T}_{X \rightarrow Y} \equiv \frac{1}{dt} I(X_t : Y_{t+dt} | Y_t)$$

$$\equiv \frac{1}{dt} \sum_{x_t y_t y_{t+dt}} P(x_t, y_t, y_{t+dt}) \ln \frac{P(x_t, y_{t+dt} | y_t)}{P(x_t | y_t) P(y_{t+dt} | y_t)}$$
$$\geq 0$$

Fluctuation theorem and the second law

Stochastic transfer entropy $\dot{\tau}_{X \rightarrow Y} \equiv \frac{1}{dt} \ln \frac{p(x_t, y_{t+dt} | y_t)}{p(x_t | y_t)p(y_{t+dt} | y_t)}$ $\dot{T}_{X \rightarrow Y} = \langle \dot{\tau}_{X \rightarrow Y} \rangle$

$\Delta i := i_{\text{fin}} - i_{\text{ini}}$: Difference of the initial and final stochastic mutual information

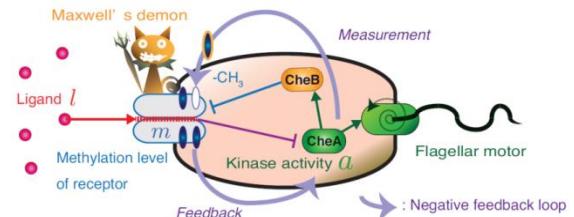
Fluctuation theorem: $\langle e^{-\sigma_X - \tau_{X \rightarrow Y} + \Delta i} \rangle = 1$

Second law: $\langle \sigma_X \rangle \geq -\langle \tau_{X \rightarrow Y} \rangle + \langle \Delta i \rangle$

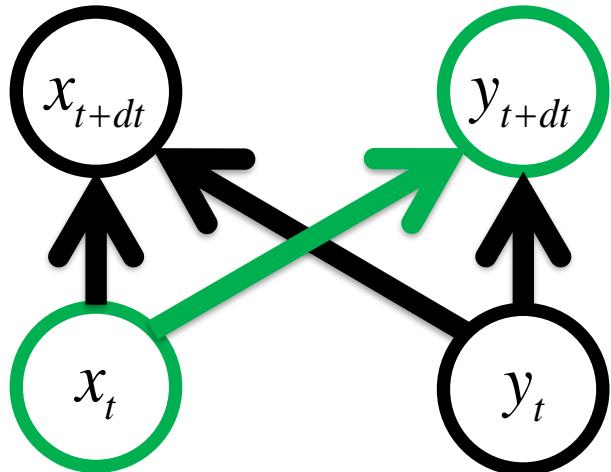
$$\leftrightarrow \Sigma_X \geq -T_{X \rightarrow Y} + \Delta I$$

S. Ito & T. Sagawa, PRL **111**, 180603 (2013).

Application to biochemical signal transduction:
S. Ito & T. Sagawa, Nat. Commu. **6**, 7498 (2015)



Transfer entropy vs. Information flow



D. Hartich, A. C. Barato, U. Seifert,
Phys. Rev. E **93**, 022116 (2016)

$$\dot{I}_Y \leq \dot{T}_{X \rightarrow Y} \quad \text{generally holds}$$

Transfer entropy gives an upper
bound of information flow!

Sensory capacity:

$$C \equiv \frac{\dot{I}_Y}{\dot{T}_{X \rightarrow Y}} \leq 1$$

Characterizes a kind of efficiency of information gain

When is the sensory capacity maximized?

Sufficient statistics

E.g. Coin toss



Probability

$$\theta$$



$$1 - \theta$$

Estimation of θ :

$$p(\theta | \underline{\text{H H T H T T T}})$$



$$p(\theta | \underline{\text{The number of head}})$$

Sufficient statistics

In our setup, y_{t+dt} is sufficient statistics of x_{t+dt} if $P(x_{t+dt} | y_{t+dt}, \boxed{y_t}) = P(x_{t+dt} | y_{t+dt})$

Our theorem: Sufficient statistics



$$C = 1$$

T. Matsumoto, T. Sagawa, *Phys. Rev. E* **97**, 042103 (2018).

Special case: **Kalman-Bucy filter** is sufficient statistics and gives $C = 1$

Horowitz & Sandberg, *New J. Phys.* **16** 125007 (2014)

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J. M. R. Parrondo, J. M. Horowitz, & T. Sagawa, Nature Physics **11**, 131-139 (2015).

Thank you for your attention!