

Introduction to stochastic thermodynamics for computer science theorists II: Trade-offs in stochastic thermodynamics

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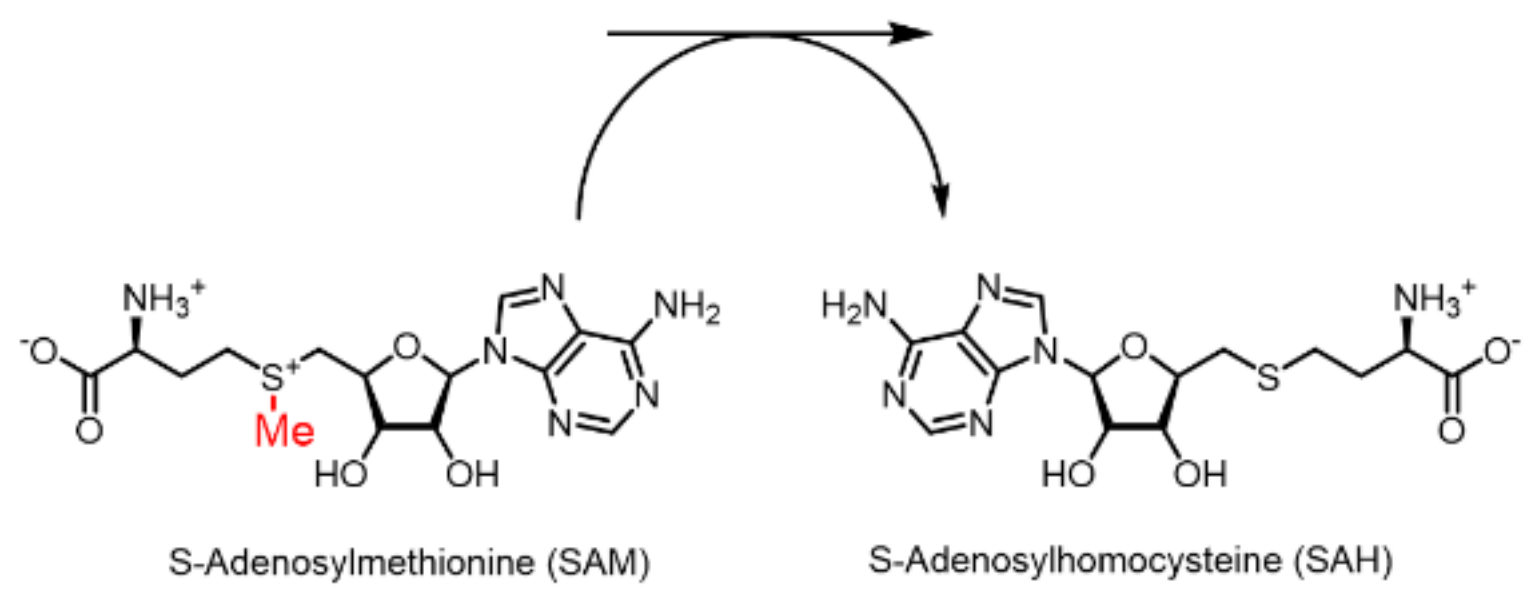


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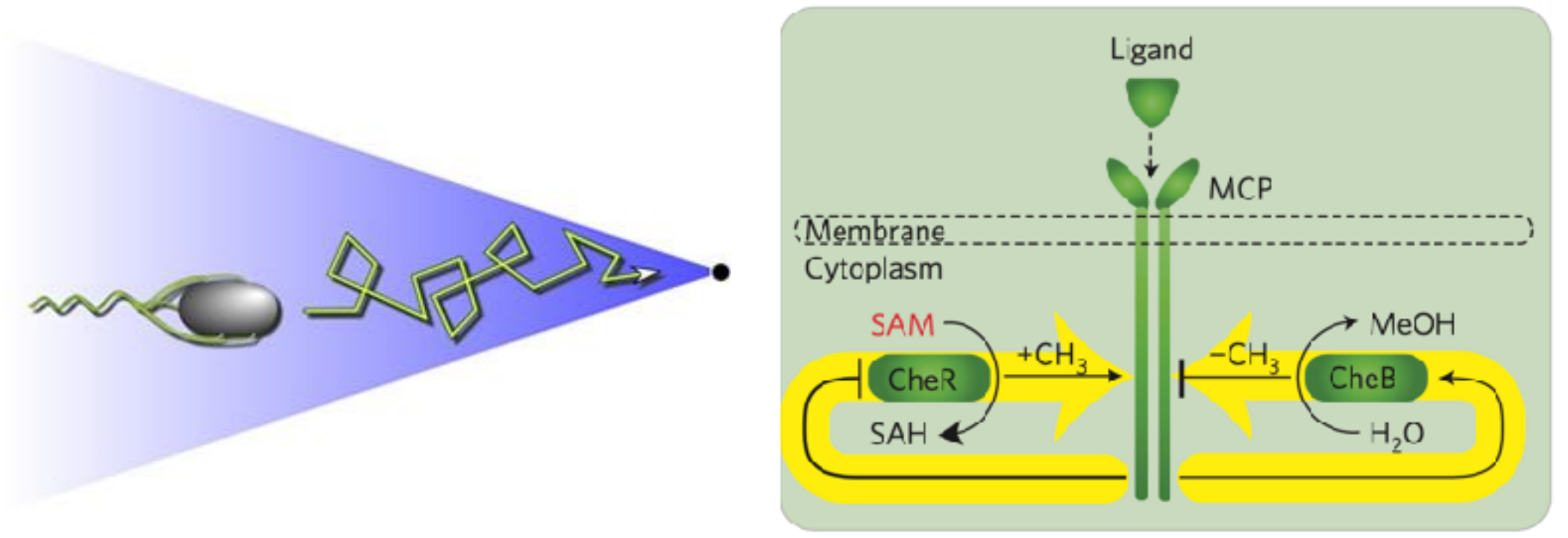
Energetic cost vs performance (speed, accuracy ...etc.)

Chemical driving force



versus

Sensory performance



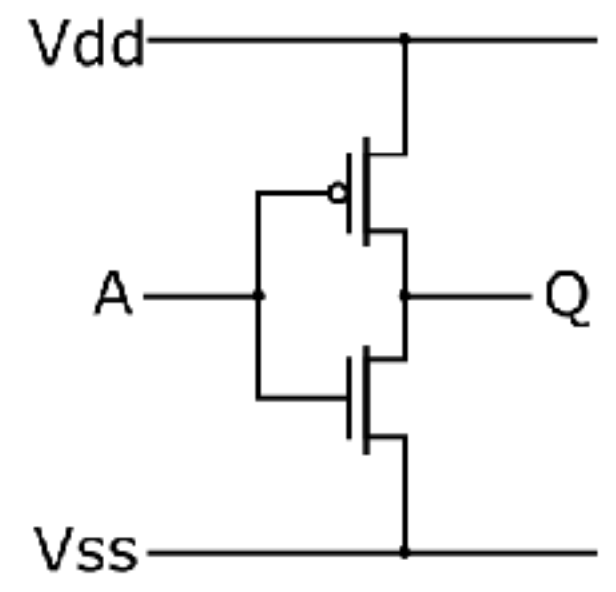
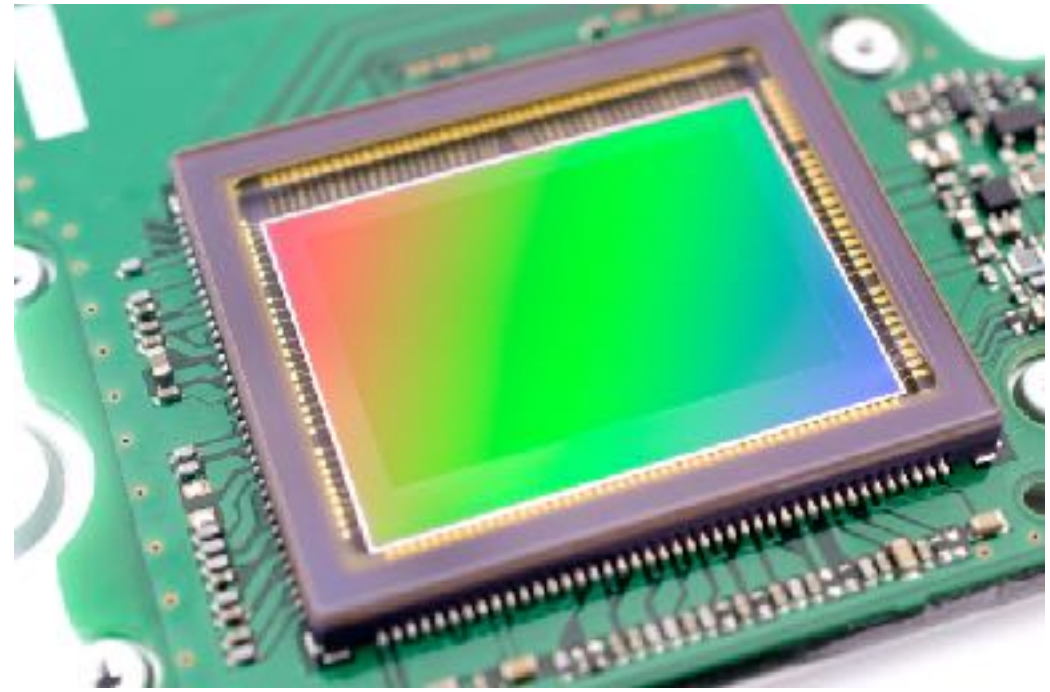
e.g.,) G. Lan, P. Sartori, S. Neumann, V. Sourjik & Y. Tu, *Nature physics*, **8**, 422-428 (2012).

Electric power



versus

Computational performance



e.g.,) D. H. Wolpert, J. Korbel, C. W. Lynn, F. Tasnim, J. A. Grochow, G. Kardeş, ... & J. Paradiso, *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, **121**, e2321112121 (2024).
J. C. Delvenne, & L. Van Brandt, *Physical Review Letters*, **134**, 237101 (2025).

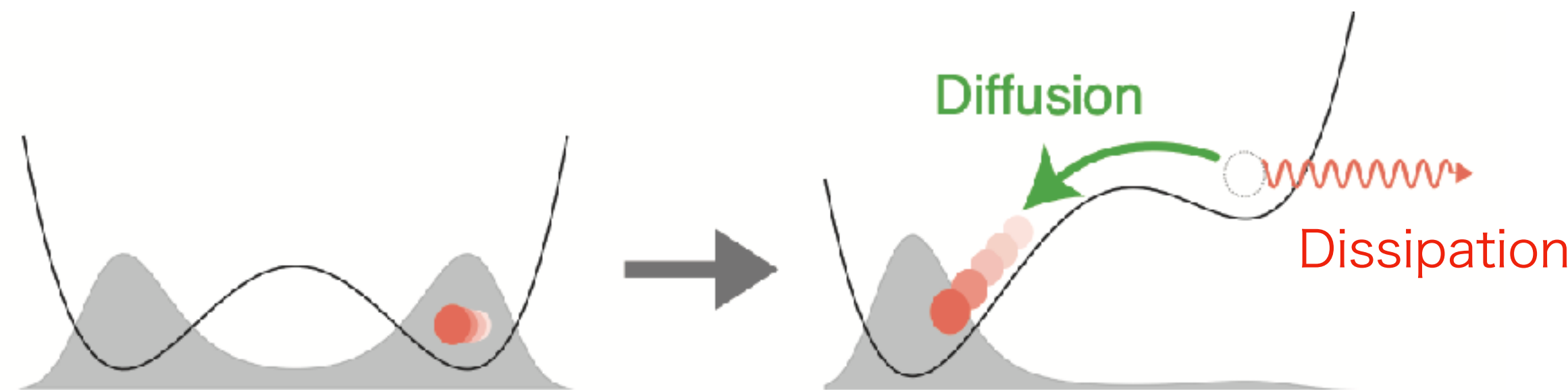
Are there any laws regarding energy costs?

Fundamental laws regarding energetic costs can be discussed
in stochastic thermodynamics.

Review) U. Seifert. *Reports on progress in physics*, **75**, 126001 (2012).

Nonequilibrium thermodynamics based on stochastic dynamics

e.g.,) Langevin/Fokker-Planck dynamics



Note:

Some of the results can be generalized to both macroscopic deterministic and quantum systems.
(e.g., Chemical reaction, Fluid dynamics, Reaction-diffusion, Open quantum dynamics ...etc.)

Trade-offs in stochastic thermodynamics

Dissipation
(The entropy production rate)

Driving force (Affinity)

Number of jump

...etc.

versus

Fluctuation (accuracy)

Speed of dynamics

Correlation

Response

Oscillation

...etc.

Important example: Thermodynamic uncertainty relations

Dissipation
(The entropy production rate)

Versus

Fluctuation (accuracy)

Dissipation is necessary to reduce fluctuation and perform accurately.

Thermodynamic uncertainty relations

A. C. Barato & U. Seifert, *Physical review letters*, **114**, 158101 (2015).

A lot of variants exists.

Review) J. M. Horowitz & T. R. Gingrich, *Nature Physics*, **16**, 15-20 (2020). ...etc.

cf.) Cramér–Rao bound in information theory

The fundamental limits of estimation error.

Fisher information

Versus

Fluctuation (accuracy)

Mathematically speaking, thermodynamic trade-offs are related to several relations in information theory such as the Cramér–Rao bound.

Note:

Several quantum uncertainty relations are also related to several relations in information theory such as the Cramér–Rao bound.

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Entropy production rate for the master equation

Review) U. Seifert. *Reports on progress in physics*, **75**, 126001 (2012).

Master equation (Markov jump process)

$$\partial_t p_i(t) = \sum_j W_{ij} p_j(t) = \sum_j [W_{ij} p_j(t) - W_{ji} p_i(t)]$$

Def.) Entropy production rate [without odd degrees of freedom]

$$\sigma = \sum_{i,j} W_{ij} p_j \ln \frac{W_{ij} p_j}{W_{ji} p_i} = \sum_{i,j|i>j} (W_{ij} p_j - W_{ji} p_i) \ln \frac{W_{ij} p_j}{W_{ji} p_i}$$

A measure of irreversibility ($W_{ij} p_j \neq W_{ji} p_i \Rightarrow \sigma > 0$)

Entropy production and Kullback-Leibler divergence

Entropy production:

Review) U. Seifert. *Reports on progress in physics*, **75**, 126001 (2012).

$$\Sigma_{[t,t+dt]} := \int_t^{t+dt} dt \sigma(t) \simeq \sum_{i,j} W_{ij} p_j dt \ln \frac{W_{ij} p_j dt}{W_{ji} p_i dt} = \sum_{i,j} \mathbb{P}(i,j) \ln \frac{\mathbb{P}(i,j)}{\mathbb{P}^\dagger(i,j)} =: \underline{D_{\text{KL}}(\mathbb{P} || \mathbb{P}^\dagger)}$$

Kullback-Leibler divergence
(in information theory)

$$\textcircled{1} D_{\text{KL}}(\mathbb{P} || \mathbb{P}^\dagger) \geq 0$$

Joint probability of j at time t and i at time $t + dt$.

$$\textcircled{2} D_{\text{KL}}(\mathbb{P} || \mathbb{P}^\dagger) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \mathbb{P} = \mathbb{P}^\dagger$$

$$\mathbb{P}(i,j) = \begin{cases} W_{ij} p_j(t) dt & (i \neq j) \\ 1 - \sum_{j(\neq i)} W_{ij} p_j(t) dt & (i = j) \end{cases}$$

Joint probability of i at time t and j at time $t + dt$.

$$\mathbb{P}^\dagger(i,j) = \mathbb{P}(j,i)$$

Force-flux structure and entropy production rate

Review) U. Seifert. *Reports on progress in physics*, **75**, 126001 (2012).

Thermodynamic driving force: $F_{ij} = \ln \frac{W_{ij}p_j}{W_{ji}p_i}$

Flux: $J_{ij} = W_{ij}p_j - p_iW_{ji}$ Master equation: $\partial_t p_i = \sum_j J_{ij}$

Entropy production rate:

$$\sigma = \sum_{i,j|i>j} (W_{ij}p_j - W_{ji}p_i) \ln \frac{W_{ij}p_j}{W_{ji}p_i} = \sum_{i,j|i>j} J_{ij} F_{ij}$$

Entropy production rate for the Fokker-Planck equation

Review) U. Seifert. *Reports on progress in physics*, **75**, 126001 (2012).

Fokker-Planck equation (overdamped)

$$\partial_t P(\mathbf{x}; t) = - \nabla \cdot (\boldsymbol{\nu}(\mathbf{x}) P(\mathbf{x}; t))$$

$$\boldsymbol{\nu}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) - T \nabla \ln P(\mathbf{x}; t)$$

Def.) Entropy production rate

$$\sigma = \frac{1}{T} \int d\mathbf{x} \|\boldsymbol{\nu}(\mathbf{x})\|^2 P(\mathbf{x})$$

A measure of irreversibility ($\boldsymbol{\nu}(\mathbf{x}) \neq \mathbf{0} \Rightarrow \sigma > 0$)

Entropy production and Kullback-Leibler divergence

Review) U. Seifert. *Reports on progress in physics*, **75**, 126001 (2012).

Entropy production:

$$\Sigma_{[t,t+dt]} = \int_t^{t+dt} dt \sigma(t) \simeq \int dx dy \mathbb{P}_{\text{FP}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \ln \frac{\mathbb{P}_{\text{FP}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})}{\mathbb{P}_{\text{FP}}^\dagger(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})} = D_{\text{KL}}(\mathbb{P}_{\text{FP}} || \mathbb{P}_{\text{FP}}^\dagger)$$

Joint probability of $\mathbf{y}$ at time t and $\mathbf{x}$ at time $t + dt$.

$$\mathbb{P}_{\text{FP}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi T dt}} \exp \left[-\frac{\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y} - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{y})dt\|^2}{4T dt} \right] P(\mathbf{y}; t)$$

Joint probability of $\mathbf{x}$ at time t and $\mathbf{y}$ at time $t + dt$.

$$\mathbb{P}_{\text{FP}}^\dagger(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \mathbb{P}_{\text{FP}}(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x})$$

Force-flux structure and entropy production rate

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Thermodynamic driving force: $F(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\nu(\mathbf{x})}{T} = \frac{f(\mathbf{x})}{T} - \nabla \ln P(\mathbf{x})$

Flux: $\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}) = \nu(\mathbf{x})P(\mathbf{x})$ Fokker-Planck equation: $\partial_t P(\mathbf{x}) = -\nabla \cdot \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x})$

Entropy production rate:

$$\sigma = \frac{1}{T} \int d\mathbf{x} \|\nu(\mathbf{x})\|^2 P(\mathbf{x}) = \int d\mathbf{x} \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}) \cdot \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x})$$

Origin of trade-off relations

Entropy production rate (Dissipation):

$$\sigma = \frac{D_{\text{KL}}(\mathbb{P} || \mathbb{P}^\dagger)}{dt} = \sum_{i,j|i>j} J_{ij} F_{ij}$$

Driving force

Relaxation, Response
Oscillation

Information-theoretic quantity

Estimation, Accuracy, Fluctuation

Kinetic quantity

Speed, Distance

Change of the observable

These expressions are mathematical origin of trade-offs.

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Conservative driving force

The thermodynamic driving force is **conservative** if

$$\exists p^{\text{eq}} \text{ s.t. detailed balance condition } W_{ji}p_i^{\text{eq}} = W_{ij}p_j^{\text{eq}}$$

Thermodynamic driving force: $F_{ij} = \ln \frac{p_i}{p_i^{\text{eq}}} - \ln \frac{p_j}{p_j^{\text{eq}}}$

The entropy production rate:

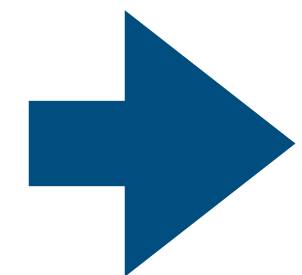
$$\sigma = \sum_{i,j|i>j} J_{ij}F_{ij} = - \sum_i \partial_t p_i \ln \frac{p_i}{p_i^{\text{eq}}} = - \partial_t D_{\text{KL}}(p || p^{\text{eq}})$$

(Nonequilibrium) free energy

Review) U. Seifert. *Reports on progress in physics*, **75**, 126001 (2012).

If the thermodynamic driving force is conservative,

$$\sigma = -\partial_t D_{\text{KL}}(p(t) || p^{\text{eq}})$$



$$\Sigma_{[0,\tau]} = \int_0^\tau dt \sigma(t) = \underline{D_{\text{KL}}(p(\tau) || p^{\text{eq}}) - D_{\text{KL}}(p(0) || p^{\text{eq}})}$$

(Nonequilibrium) free energy difference

$D_{\text{KL}}(p || p^{\text{eq}})$: (Nonequilibrium) free energy of the state p

What happens if the driving force is not conservative?

- Several generalizations

Instead of p^{eq}

1. Considering the steady state distribution p^{st}

$$\sigma^{\text{na}} = -\partial_t D_{\text{KL}}(p(t) || p^{\text{st}}) \quad (\leq \sigma)$$

Non-adiabatic (Hatano-Sasa excess)
entropy production rate

T. Hatano, & S. I. Sasa, *Physical review letters*, **86**, 3463 (2001).

M. Esposito & C. Van den Broeck. *Physical Review E—Statistical, Nonlinear, and Soft Matter Physics*, **82**, 011143 (2010).

2. Considering the imaginary conservative force that mimics dynamics

$$\sigma^{\text{ex}} = -\partial_t D_{\text{KL}}(p(t) || p^{\text{peq}}(s)) \Big|_{s=t} \quad (\leq \sigma)$$

$$F_{ij}^{\text{conservative}} = \ln \frac{p_i}{p_i^{\text{peq}}} - \ln \frac{p_j}{p_j^{\text{peq}}}$$

Onsager-geometric (Maes-Netocny)
excess entropy production rate

C. Maes & K. A. Netočný, *Journal of Statistical Physics*, **154**, 188-203 (2014).

A. Dechant, S. I. Sasa & S. Ito, *Physical Review E*, **106**, 024125 (2022).

K. Yoshimura, A. Kolchinsky, A. Dechant, & S. Ito, *Physical Review Research*, **5**, 013017 (2023).

3. Considering the distribution q_0 which gives the minimum entropy production

Mismatch cost

A. Kolchinsky, & D. H. Wolpert, *Journal of Statistical Mechanics: Theory and Experiment*, **2017**, 083202 (2017).

D. H. Wolpert & A. Kolchinsky, *New Journal of Physics*, **22**, 063047 (2020).

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$$\Sigma(p) = \sum_i \Phi(p)_i \ln \Phi(p)_i - \sum_i p_i \ln p_i - \sum_i p_i Q_i \quad : \text{The entropy production (General expression)}$$

$$\Phi(p)_i = \sum_j T_{ij} p_j \quad T_{ij}: \text{Transition probability}$$

Q_i : Entropy change in the heat bath

Probability distribution which gives the minimum entropy production:

$$q = \operatorname{argmin}_p \Sigma(p)$$

$$\Sigma(p) = \Sigma(q) + D_{\text{KL}}(p \| q) - D_{\text{KL}}(\Phi(p) \| \Phi(q)) \geq \underbrace{D_{\text{KL}}(p \| q) - D_{\text{KL}}(\Phi(p) \| \Phi(q))}_{\text{Mismatch cost}}$$

Mismatch cost

A merit of mismatch cost (as far as I thought.)

A. Kolchinsky, & D. H. Wolpert, *Journal of Statistical Mechanics: Theory and Experiment*, **2017**, 083202 (2017).
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$$\Sigma(p) = \sum_i \Phi(p)_i \ln \Phi(p)_i - \sum_i p_i \ln p_i - \sum_i p_i Q_i$$

$$\Phi(p)_i = \sum_j T_{ij} p_j \quad q = \operatorname{argmin}_p \Sigma(p)$$

We do not need to consider the detail of dynamics.

T_{ij} and Q_i can be arbitrary selected.

$\Sigma(p)$ can not be the entropy production for general T_{ij} and Q_i .

$$D_{\text{KL}}(p \| q) - D_{\text{KL}}(\Phi(p) \| \Phi(q)) (\geq 0)$$

is a genuine information-theoretic quantity, and a lower bound on $\Sigma(p)$.

An application to computations (without dynamics)

G. Manzano, G. Kardeş, É. Roldán, & D. H. Wolpert, *Physical Review X*, **14**, 021026 (2024).

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Original idea of the thermodynamic uncertainty relations (TURs)

A. C. Barato, & U. Seifert, *Physical review letters*, **114**, 158101 (2015).

$$\sigma = \sum_{i,j|i>j} (W_{ij}p_j - W_{ji}p_i) \ln \frac{W_{ij}p_j}{W_{ji}p_i} \geq \sum_{i,j|i>j} \frac{2(W_{ij}p_j - W_{ji}p_i)^2}{(W_{ij}p_j + W_{ji}p_i)}$$

Change of the state (flux)

Fluctuation of the state (dynamical activity)

∴) Log-mean vs arithmetic mean: $\frac{a+b}{2} \geq \frac{a-b}{\ln a - \ln b}$

“Dissipation is necessary to reduce fluctuation and perform accurately.”

The thermodynamic uncertainty relations (TURs) for observable

TURs for the general current in the steady state

$$\Sigma_{[0,T]} = \int_0^T dt \sigma \geq 2 \frac{\langle \tilde{J}_r \rangle}{\text{Var}[\tilde{J}_r]}$$

→ Expected integrated current for observable r
→ Variance of integrated current r

Conjecture: P. Pietzonka, F. Ritort & U. Seifert, *Physical Review E*, **96**, 012101 (2017).
 Proof: J. M. Horowitz & T. R. Gingrich, *Physical Review E*, **96**, 020103 (2017).

TURs for the general current (not in the steady-state)

$$\sigma \geq \sum_{i,j|i>j} \frac{2[r_{ij}(W_{ij}p_j - W_{ji}p_i)]^2}{r_{ij}^2(W_{ij}p_j + W_{ji}p_i)} := \frac{2\langle J_r \rangle^2}{dt \text{Var}[J_r]}$$

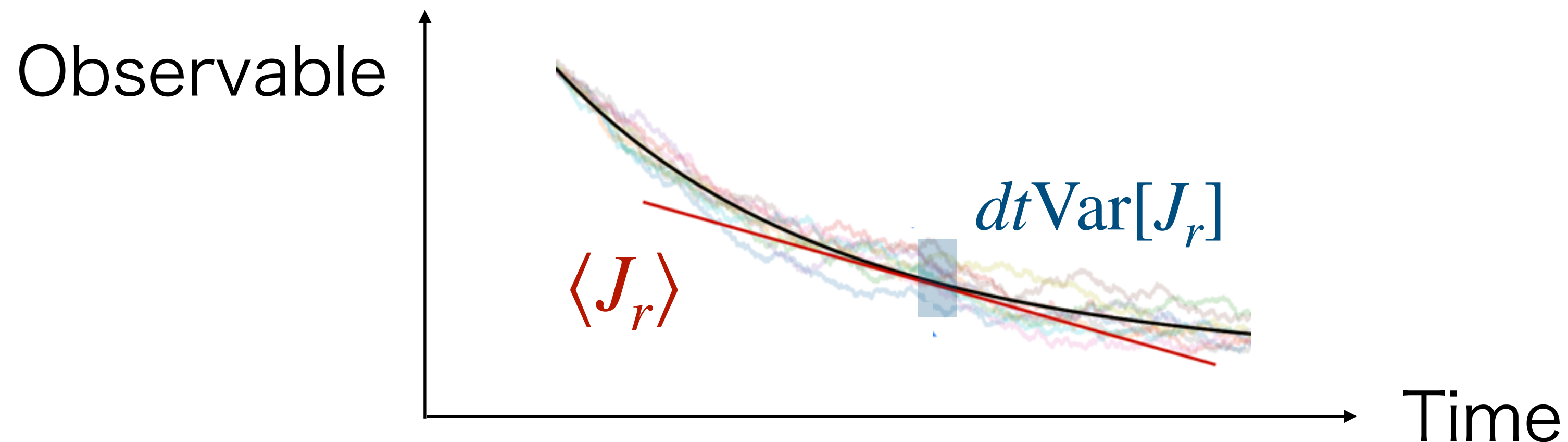
→ Expected current for observable r_{ij}
→ Variance of current for observable r_{ij}

S. Otsubo, S. Ito, A. Dechant, & T. Sagawa, *Physical Review E*, **101**, 062106 (2020).

Physical meaning of the TURs

$$\sigma \geq \frac{2\langle J_r \rangle^2}{dt\text{Var}[J_r]} \quad \rightarrow \quad \sigma \frac{dt\text{Var}[J_r]}{\langle J_r \rangle^2} \geq 2$$

Dissipation σ is necessary to reduce fluctuation $\text{Var}[J_r]$ and perform accurately ($\langle J_r \rangle \neq 0$).



Information-theoretic viewpoints: Derivation of the TURs from the Chapman-Robbins bounds

An expression in M. Aguilera, S. Ito, & A. Kolchinsky, *arXiv:2505.10444*.

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma dt &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j} [\mathbb{P}(i,j) - \mathbb{P}^\dagger(i,j)] \ln \frac{\mathbb{P}(i,j)}{\mathbb{P}^\dagger(i,j)} \geq \sum_{i,j} \frac{[\mathbb{P}(i,j) - \mathbb{P}^\dagger(i,j)]^2}{\mathbb{P}(i,j) + \mathbb{P}^\dagger(i,j)} \\ &= 2 \sum_{i,j} \frac{[\mathbb{P}(i,j) - (\mathbb{P}(i,j) + \mathbb{P}^\dagger(i,j))/2]^2}{(\mathbb{P}(i,j) + \mathbb{P}^\dagger(i,j))/2} \geq \frac{1}{2} (\langle \mathbf{r} \rangle_{\mathbb{P}} - \langle \mathbf{r} \rangle_{\mathbb{P}^\dagger})^\top [\text{Cov}_{\frac{\mathbb{P} + \mathbb{P}^\dagger}{2}}[\mathbf{r}]]^{-1} (\langle \mathbf{r} \rangle_{\mathbb{P}} - \langle \mathbf{r} \rangle_{\mathbb{P}^\dagger})\end{aligned}$$

χ^2 -divergence

$\therefore$ Chapman-Robbins bound for any sets of observable $\mathbf{r}_{ij}$

If $\mathbb{P} = \mathbb{P}^\dagger + d\mathbb{P}$, $\sigma dt \simeq \sum_{i,j} \frac{[d\mathbb{P}(i,j)]^2}{\mathbb{P}(i,j)}$ is the Fisher information.

The TUR can also be regarded as the Cramér-Rao bound.

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p -Wasserstein distance

Textbook) C. Villani, *Optimal transport: old and new*. Berlin: springer (2009).

Distance between two probability distributions $P(\mathbf{x}), Q(\mathbf{y})$ [$p \geq 1$]

$$\mathcal{W}_p(P, Q) = \left(\inf_{\pi} \int d\mathbf{x} \int d\mathbf{y} \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\|^p \pi(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \right)^{1/p} \quad \text{s. t.} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Joint probability } \pi(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \geq 0 \\ \int d\mathbf{y} \pi(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = P(\mathbf{x}) \quad \int d\mathbf{x} \pi(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = Q(\mathbf{x}) \end{array}$$

A metric:

- ① $\mathcal{W}_p(P, Q) \geq 0$
- ② $\mathcal{W}_p(P, Q) = 0 \Leftrightarrow P = Q$
- ③ $\mathcal{W}_p(P, Q) = \mathcal{W}_p(Q, P)$
- ④ $\mathcal{W}_p(P, Q) \leq \mathcal{W}_p(P, P') + \mathcal{W}_p(P', Q)$

Hölder-type inequality:

$$p \geq p' \Rightarrow \mathcal{W}_p(P, Q) \geq \mathcal{W}_{p'}(P, Q)$$

1-Wasserstein distance and 2-Wasserstein distance

Textbook) C. Villani, *Optimal transport: old and new*. Berlin: springer (2009).

Duality theorem (Kantorovich-Rubinstein duality)

$$\mathcal{W}_1(P, Q) = \sup_{\psi} \left[\int d\mathbf{x} P(\mathbf{x}) \psi(\mathbf{x}) - \int d\mathbf{y} Q(\mathbf{y}) \psi(\mathbf{y}) \right] \quad \text{s. t.} \quad \|\nabla \psi(\mathbf{x})\| \leq 1$$

Fluid-dynamic formulation (Benamou-Brenier formula)

J. D. Benamou & Y. Brenier, *Numerische Mathematik*, **84**, 375-393 (2000)

$$\mathcal{W}_2(P, Q) = \sqrt{\inf_{u_t, Q_t} \tau \int_0^\tau dt \int d\mathbf{x} \|u_t(\mathbf{x})\|^2 Q_t(\mathbf{x})} \quad \text{s. t.} \quad \begin{aligned} \partial_t Q_t(\mathbf{x}) &= -\nabla \cdot (u_t(\mathbf{x}) Q_t(\mathbf{x})) \\ Q_0(\mathbf{x}) &= P(\mathbf{x}) \quad Q_\tau(\mathbf{x}) = Q(\mathbf{x}) \end{aligned}$$

Speed limits for Langevin systems

$$\Sigma_{[0,\tau]} = \int_0^\tau dt \frac{1}{T} \int dx \|\nu(x)\|^2 P(x) \geq \frac{[\mathcal{W}_2(P_0, P_\tau)]^2}{T\tau}$$

Distance between initial and final states

Transition time

↑ Benamou-Brenier formula

$$\sigma_t \geq \frac{1}{T} \left[\lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow +0} \frac{\mathcal{W}_2(P_t, P_{t+\Delta t})}{\Delta t} \right]^2$$

Speed

“The faster the speed,
the more dissipation is required.”

E. Aurell, K. Gawędzki, C. Mejía-Monasterio, R. Mohayaee, & P. Muratore-Ginanneschi, *Journal of statistical physics*, **147**, 487-505 (2012).
M. Nakazato, & S. Ito, *Physical Review Research*, **3**, 043093 (2021).

An analogy of quantum speed limits

[e.g., Uncertainty relation between energy and time]

L. Mandelstam and I. Tamm, *J. Phys.* **9**, 249 (1945).

Speed limits for observables

A. Dechant, S. I. Sasa, & S. Ito, *Physical Review Research*, **4**, L012034 (2022).

$\psi(\mathbf{x})$: Observable

$$\sigma_t \geq \frac{1}{T} \left[\lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow +0} \frac{\mathcal{W}_2(P_t, P_{t+\Delta t})}{\Delta t} \right]^2 \geq \frac{|d_t \langle \psi \rangle|^2}{T \int d\mathbf{x} \|\nabla \psi(\mathbf{x})\|^2 P(\mathbf{x})}$$

“The faster the speed (of any observable), the more dissipation is required.”

• TURs for $\nabla \psi(\mathbf{x})$ A. Dechant, & S. I. Sasa, *Journal of Statistical Mechanics: Theory and Experiment*, **2018**, 063209 (2018).

• $\mathcal{W}_2(P_{t+dt}, P_t)/dt \geq \mathcal{W}_1(P_{t+dt}, P_t)/dt = \sup_{\psi} d_t \langle \psi \rangle \text{ s.t. } \|\nabla \psi(\mathbf{x})\| \leq 1$

R. Nagayama, K. Yoshimura, A. Kolchinsky & S. Ito, *arXiv:2311.16569*, to appear in *Phys. Rev. Res.*

• $\psi(\mathbf{x}) = \text{sgn}(d_t p(\mathbf{x})) \Rightarrow |d_t \langle \psi \rangle|$ is the speed of the total variation.

Speed limits based on the total variation: N. Shiraishi, K. Funo, & K. Saito, *Physical review letters*, **121**, 070601 (2018).

Speed limits for Markov jump processes

- Based on 1-Wasserstein distance

A. Dechant, *Journal of Physics A: Mathematical and Theoretical*, **55**, 094001 (2022).
T. Van Vu & K. Saito, *Physical Review X* **13**, 011013 (2023).

- Based on 2-Wasserstein distance
(Tighter than the bound by 1-Wasserstein distance)

K. Yoshimura, A. Kolchinsky, A. Dechant, & S. Ito, *Physical Review Research*, **5**, 013017 (2023).

1-Wasserstein distance (Kantorovich-Rubinstein duality)

$$\mathcal{W}_1(p, q) = \inf_J \sum_e |J_e| \quad \text{s.t.} \quad p_i - q_i = \sum_e \nabla_{ie} J_e \quad \nabla_{ie}^\top: \text{Incidence matrix}$$

2-Wasserstein distance (A generalization of Benamou-Brenier formula)

$$\mathcal{W}_2(p(0), (\tau)) = \sqrt{\inf_{J,p} \tau \int_0^\tau dt \sum_e J_e l_e^{-1}(p) J_e} \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \partial_t p_i = \sum_e \nabla_{ie} J_e \quad l_e = J_e / F_e: \text{Onsager coefficient}$$

Expressions in R. Nagayama, K. Yoshimura, & S. Ito, *Physical Review Research*, **7**, 013307 (2025).

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Kinetic uncertainty relations (not thermodynamic)

“The number of the jump also gives the bound.”

$\langle N_\tau \rangle$: The total number of jump up to (the first passage) time τ

A_τ : Any observable of path from $t = 0$ to $t = \tau$

J. P. Garrahan, *Physical Review E*, **95**, 032134 (2017).

I. Di Terlizzi & M. Baiesi, *Journal of Physics A: Mathematical and Theoretical*, **52**, 02LT03 (2018).

$$W_{ij} \rightarrow (1 + \theta)W_{ij} \quad \langle N_\tau \rangle \geq \frac{[\partial_\theta \langle A_\tau \rangle_\theta \big|_{\theta=0}]^2}{\text{Var}_{\theta=0}[A_\tau]}$$

The derivation is based on the Cramér-Rao bound.

K. Hiura & S. I. Sasa, *Physical Review E*, **103**, L050103 (2021).

The kinetic uncertainty relation can be tighter than the TURs in a far-from-equilibrium state.

Speed limits based on the Fisher information of time

“The speed in information geometry also gives the bound.”

$$\frac{ds^2}{dt^2} = \int d\mathbf{x} P(\mathbf{x}) [d_t \ln P(\mathbf{x})]^2 \quad : \text{Fisher information of time/} \\ \text{Square of the speed in information geometry}$$

Speed limits

$$\int_0^\tau dt \frac{ds^2}{dt^2} \geq \left(\int_0^\tau dt \frac{ds}{dt} \right)^2 \geq 2 \arccos \left(\int d\mathbf{x} \sqrt{P_0(\mathbf{x}) P_\tau(\mathbf{x})} \right)$$

G. E. Crooks, *Physical Review Letters*, **99**, 100602 (2007).
S. Ito, *Physical review letters*, **121**, 030605 (2018).

Speed limits for observable

$$\frac{ds^2}{dt^2} \geq \frac{|d_t \langle r \rangle|^2}{\text{Var}[r]}$$

S. Ito, & A. Dechant, *Physical Review X*, **10**, 021056 (2020).
S. B. Nicholson, L. P. García-Pintos, A. del Campo & J. R. Green, *Nature Physics*, **16**, 1211-1215 (2020).

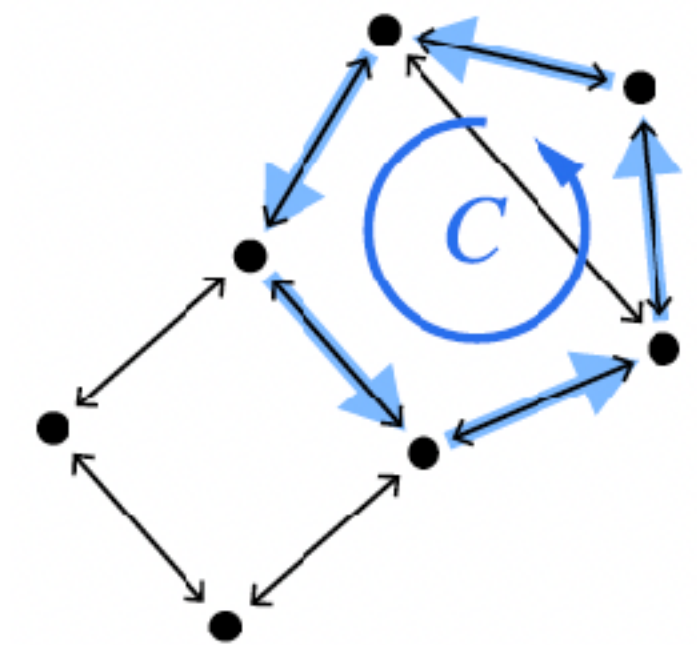
Similar to the results of the Wasserstein-type speed limits

Thermodynamic cycle force and response

J. A. Owen, T. R. Gingrich & J. M. Horowitz, *Physical Review X*, **10**, 011066 (2020).

Cycle force (Non-conservativeness)

$$F_c^{\text{cyc}} = \ln \frac{W_{i_1 i_2} W_{i_2 i_3} \cdots W_{i_{n_c} i_1}}{W_{i_2 i_1} W_{i_3 i_2} \cdots W_{i_1 i_{n_c}}} \quad c = (i_1 \rightarrow i_2 \rightarrow i_3 \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow i_{n_c} \rightarrow i_1)$$



Parameter of the transition rate B_{ij}

$$W_{ij} = \exp(-[B_{ij} - F_{ij}^{\text{th}}/2]) \quad (B_{ij} = B_{ji})$$

Response of the steady state distribution

$$\left| \frac{\partial p_k^{\text{st}}}{\partial B_{ij}} \right| \leq p_k^{\text{st}} (1 - p_k^{\text{st}}) \tanh \left[\frac{\max_c |F_c^{\text{cyc}}|}{4} \right]$$

“The cycle force is needed for the static response.”

Thermodynamic cycle force and eigenvalues (oscillation)

Conjecture for 2nd eigenvalue: A. C. Barato and U. Seifert, Physical Review E, **95**, 062409 (2017).

Proof for any eigenvalues: N Ohga, S. Ito, A. Kolchinsky, Physical Review Letters, **131**, 077101 (2023).

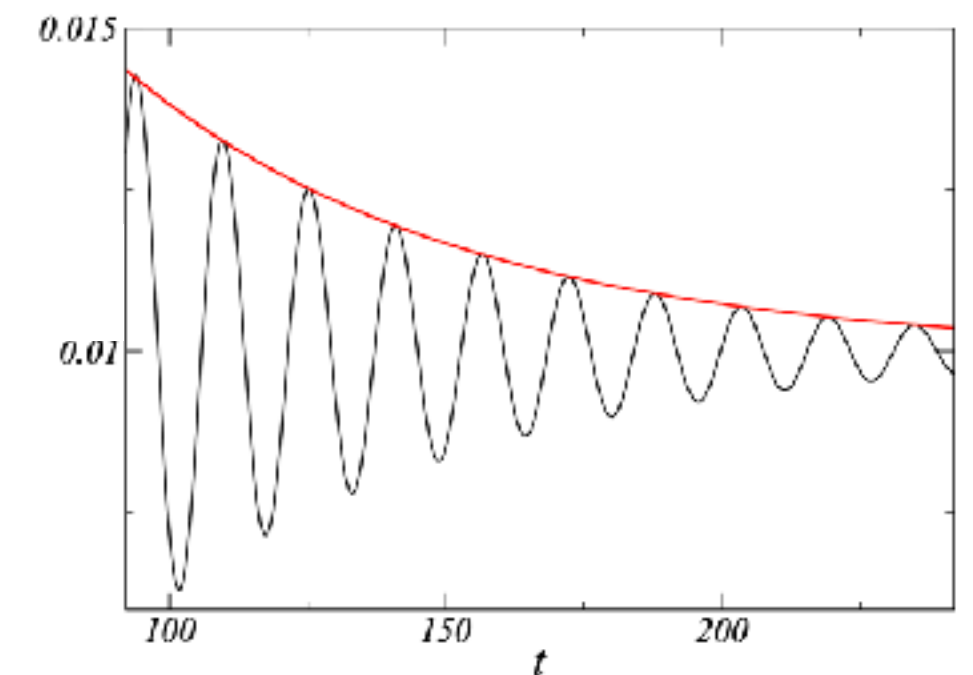
$\frac{|\text{Im}\lambda|}{2\pi|\text{Re}\lambda|}$:Ratio between imaginary and real eigenvalues of W_{ij}
(Number of coherent oscillation for 2nd eigenvalue)

$$\frac{(\text{Decay time})}{(\text{Period of oscillations})} = \frac{|\text{Im}\lambda|}{2\pi|\text{Re}\lambda|}$$

Thermodynamic bound

$$\frac{|\text{Im}\lambda|}{2\pi|\text{Re}\lambda|} \leq \max_c \frac{\tanh[F_c^{\text{cyc}}/(2n_c)]}{2\pi \tan(\pi/n_c)}$$

n_c : Number of the state in a cycle



“The cycle force is needed for the oscillatory behavior in the relaxation.”

Thermodynamic cycle force and asymmetry of cross-correlations

N Ohga, S. Ito, A. Kolchinsky, Physical Review Letters, **131**, 077101 (2023).

Asymmetry of cross-correlations

$$\chi_{ba} = \lim_{\tau \rightarrow 0} \frac{C_{ba}^{\tau} - C_{ab}^{\tau}}{2\sqrt{(C_{aa}^{\tau} - C_{aa}^0)(C_{bb}^{\tau} - C_{bb}^0)}}$$

Decay of auto-correlations

Cross-correlations: $C_{ba}^{\tau} = \langle b(t + \tau)a(t) \rangle_{\text{st}}$

Thermodynamic bound

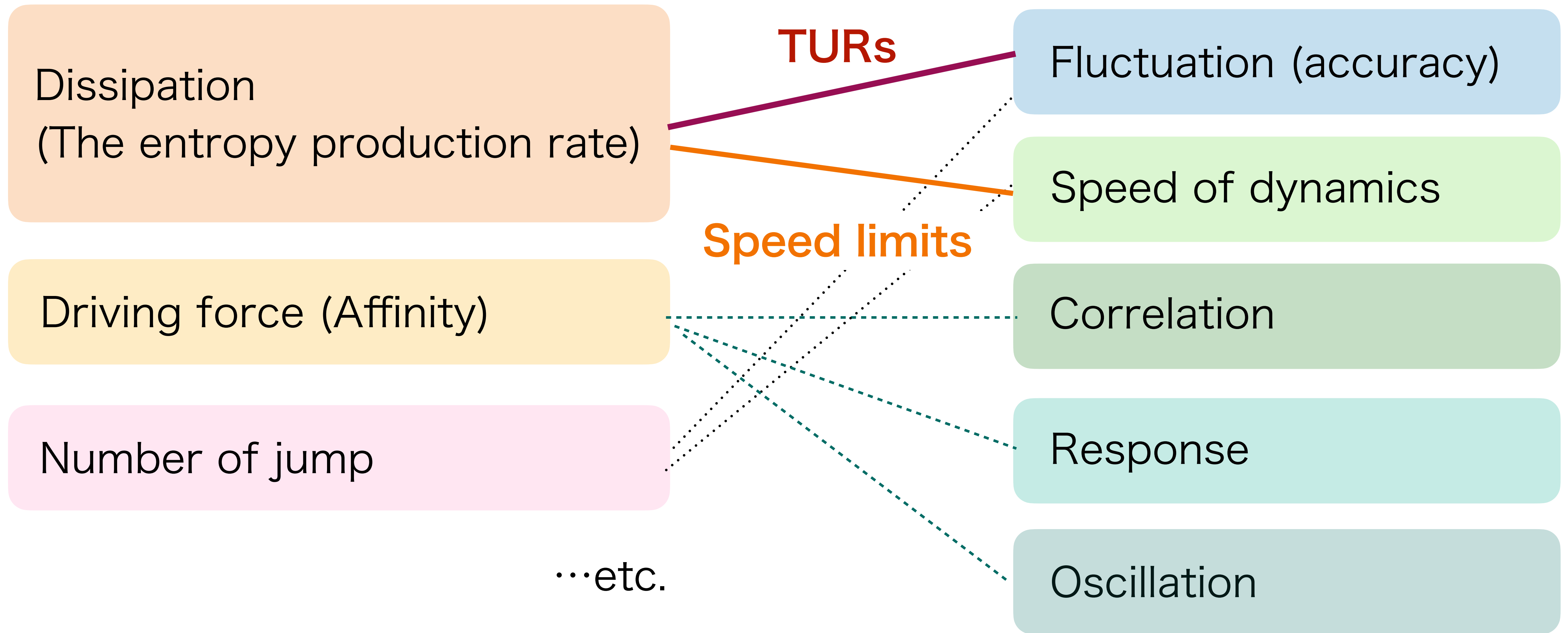
$$|\chi_{ba}| \leq \max_c \frac{\tanh[F_c^{\text{cyc}}/(2n_c)]}{2\pi \tan(\pi/n_c)}$$

“The cycle force is needed for the asymmetric information transmission.”

TOPICS

- Introduction: Trade-offs in stochastic thermodynamics
- Entropy production rate and its expressions
- Free energy and mismatch costs
- Thermodynamic uncertainty relations
- Wasserstein distance and speed limits
- Other bounds (Kinetic uncertainty relations, correlations ...etc.)
- **Summary and perspective in computer science**

Summary: Trade-offs in stochastic thermodynamics



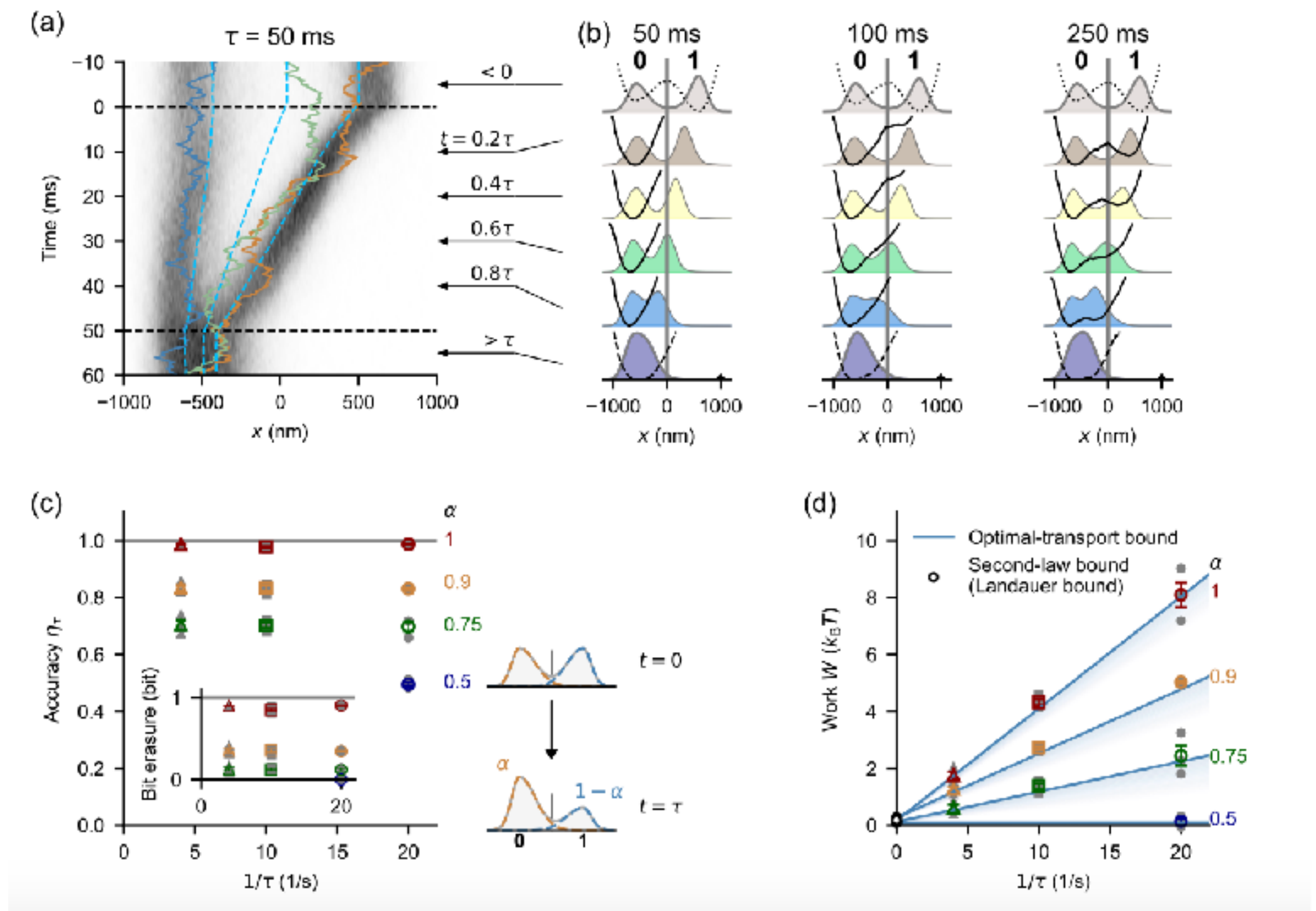
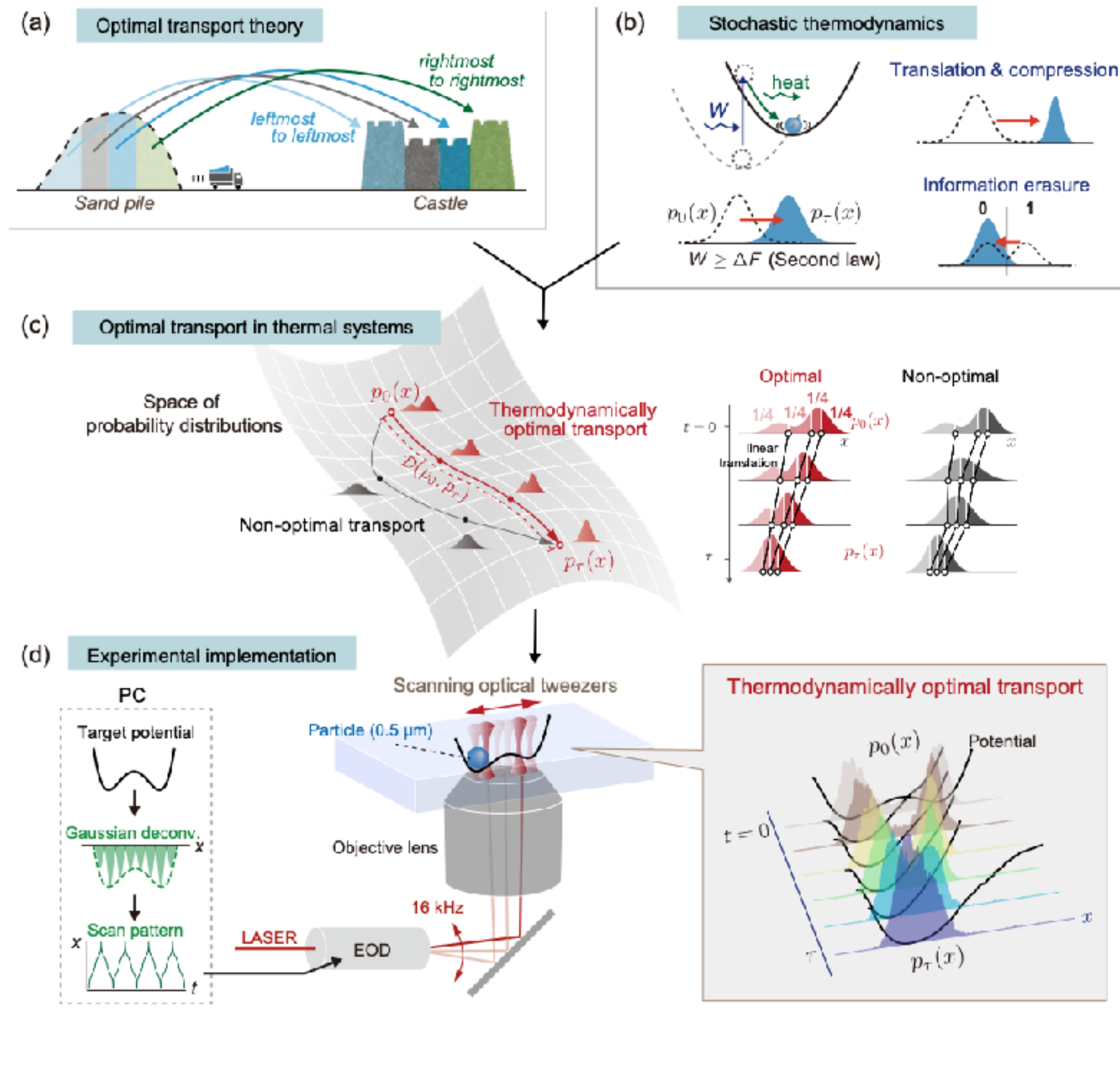
Q: Is it useful in the field of computer science?

...etc.

Our works: Possible approach for computer science I

S. Oikawa, Y. Nakayama, S. Ito, T. Sagawa, & S. Toyabe, *arXiv:2503.01200*.

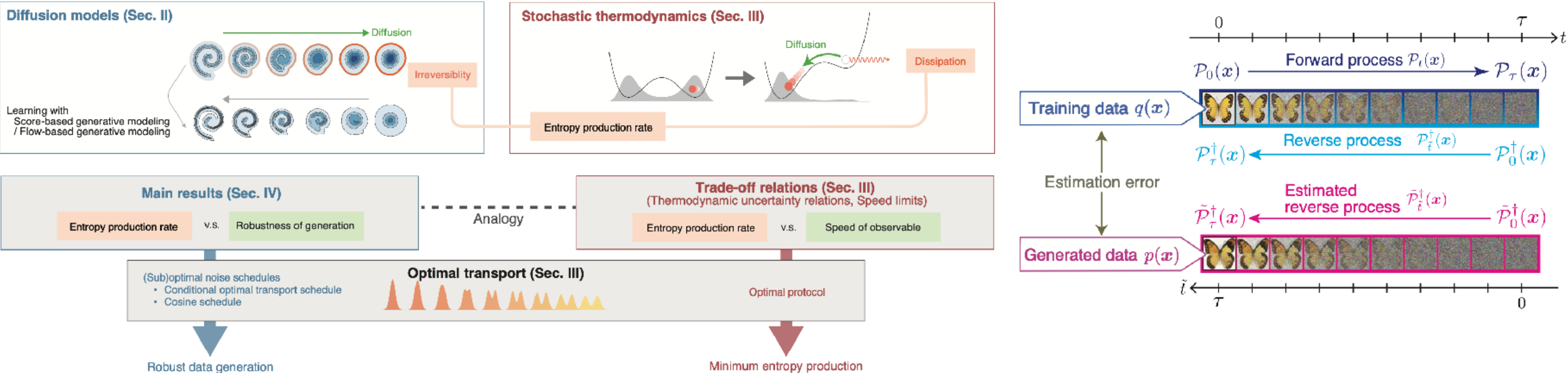
Experiment on speed limits for an energy-efficient information processing device



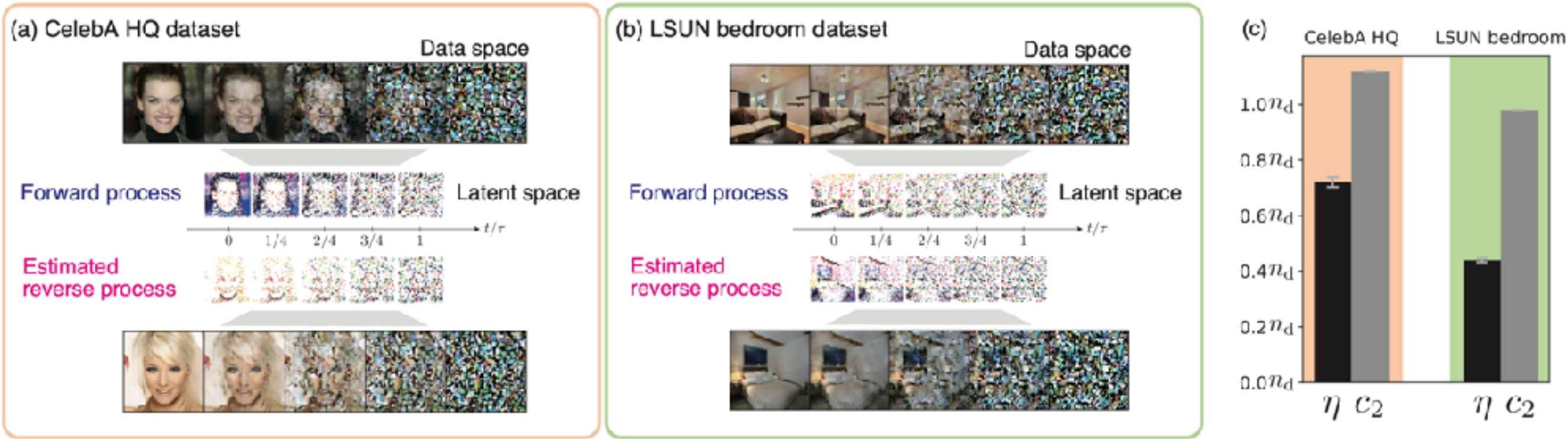
Thermodynamically optimal information erasure in finite time

Our works: Possible approach for computer science II

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Thermodynamically optimal learning method for generative diffusion models.



Summary

- I explained several trade-offs in stochastic thermodynamics. These trade-offs are based on the mathematical properties of the entropy production rate.
- We may quantitatively discuss trade-offs between thermodynamic cost and performance, even in computer science.
- These trade-offs are related to quantities in computer science, such as Kullback-Leibler divergence, Fisher information and p-Wasserstein distance ...etc.

Thank you for listening!