

# Extreme reductions of entropy in an electronic double dot



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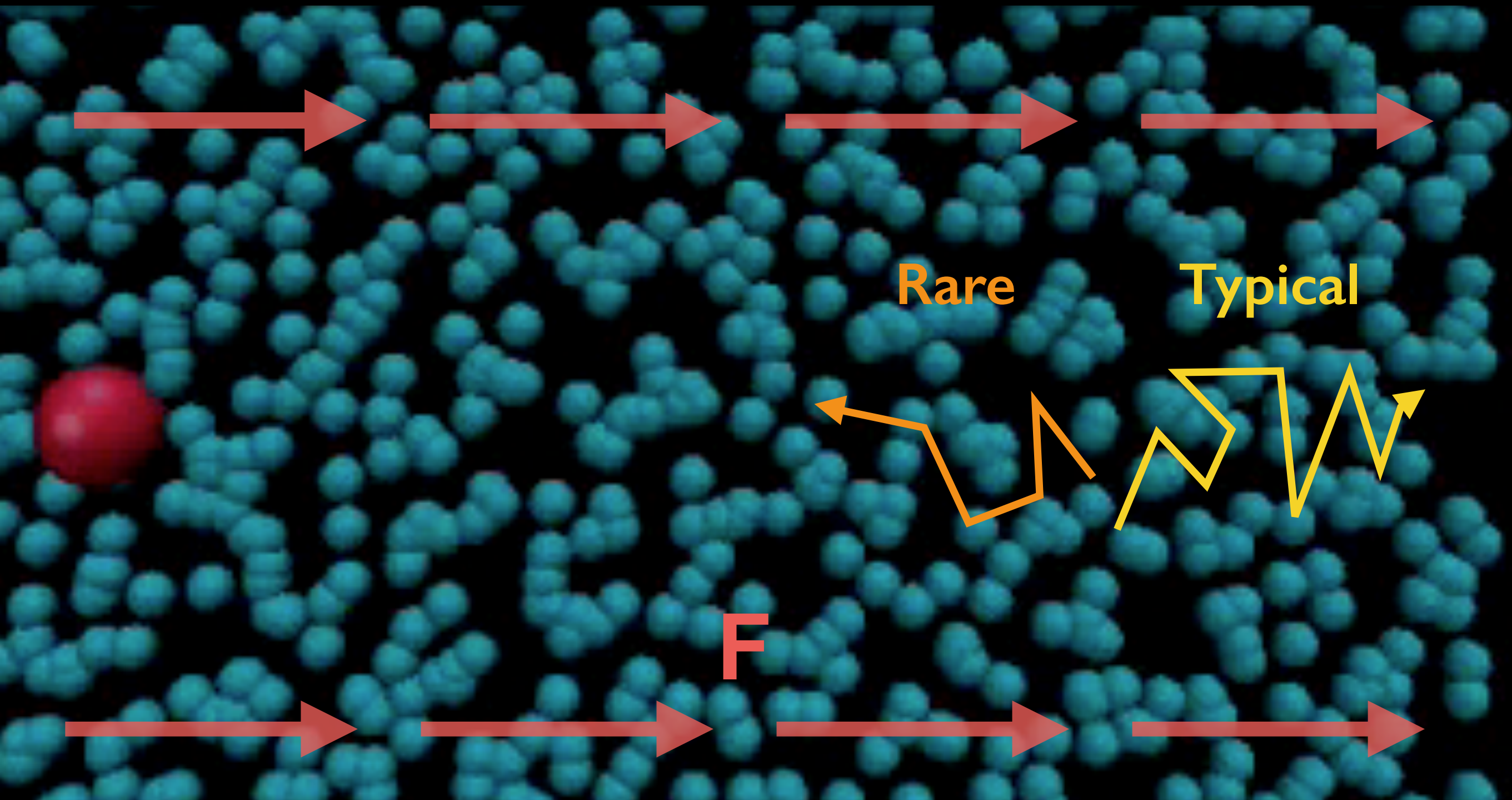
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**Jukka Pekola's 60th Birthday**



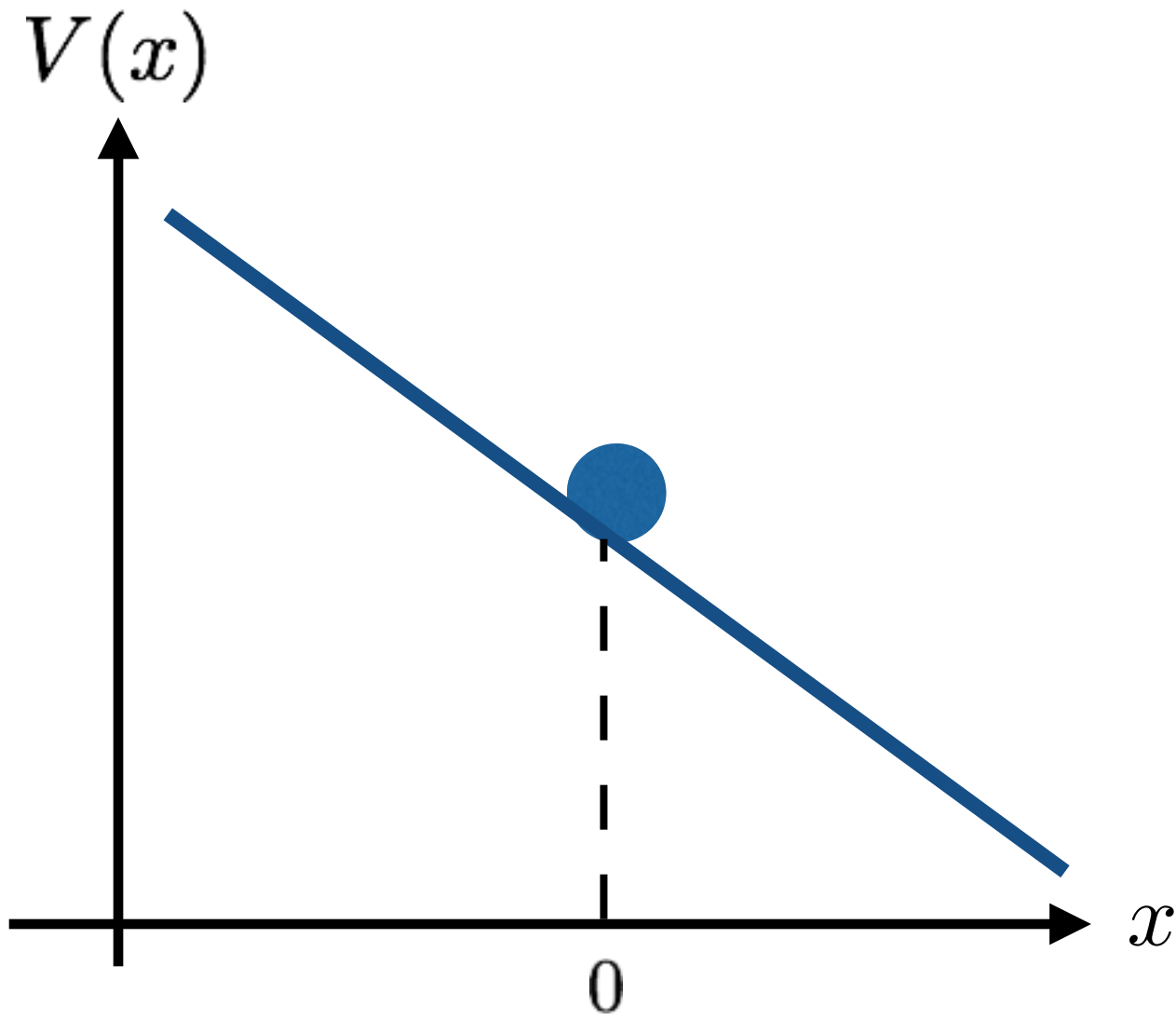


# Nonequilibrium steady states



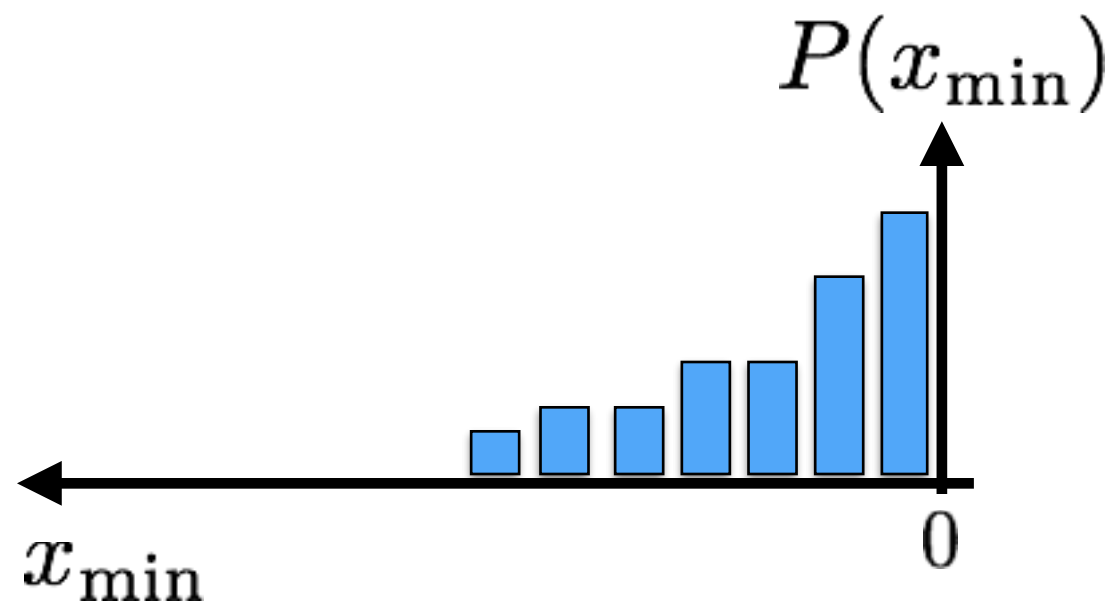
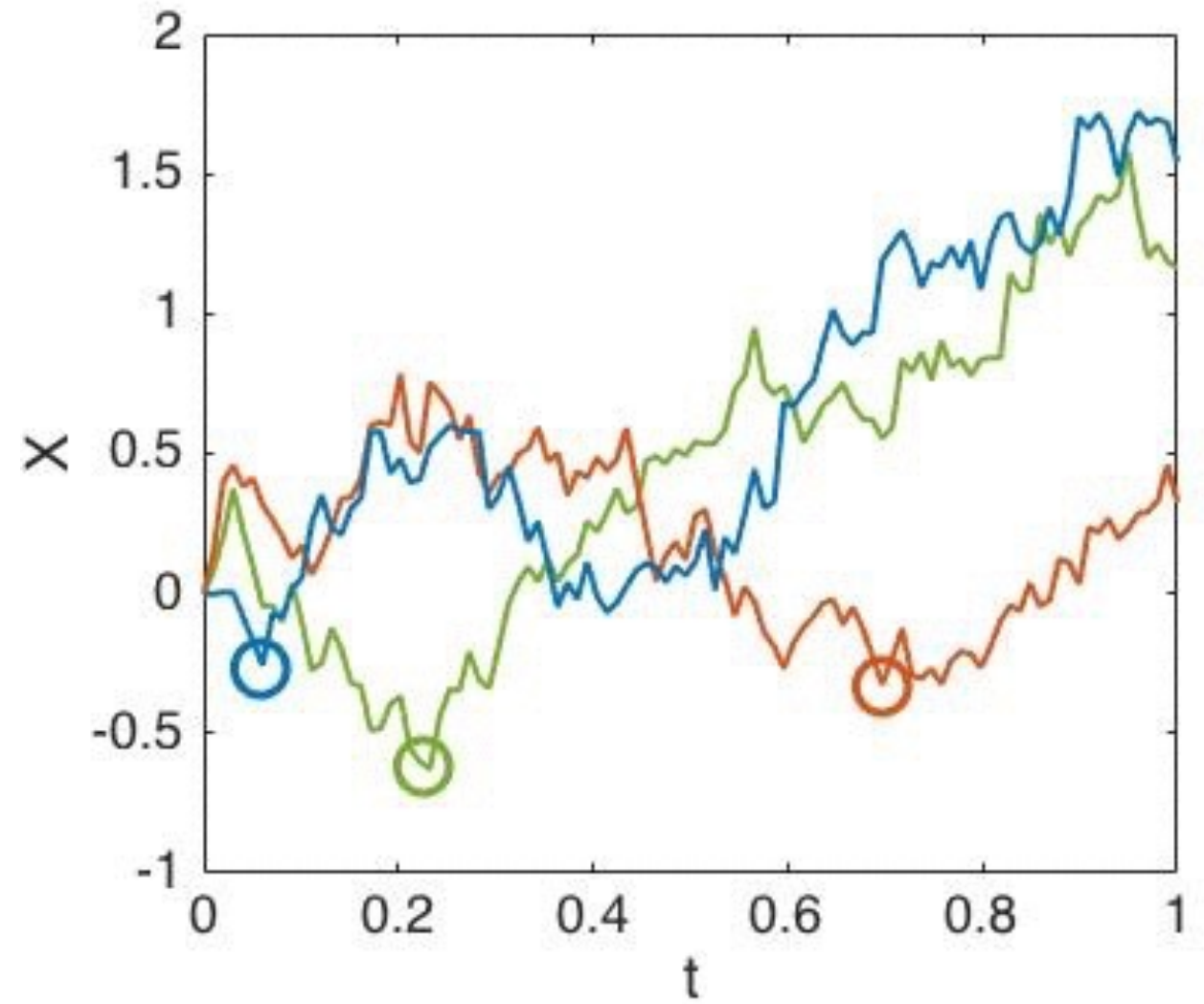
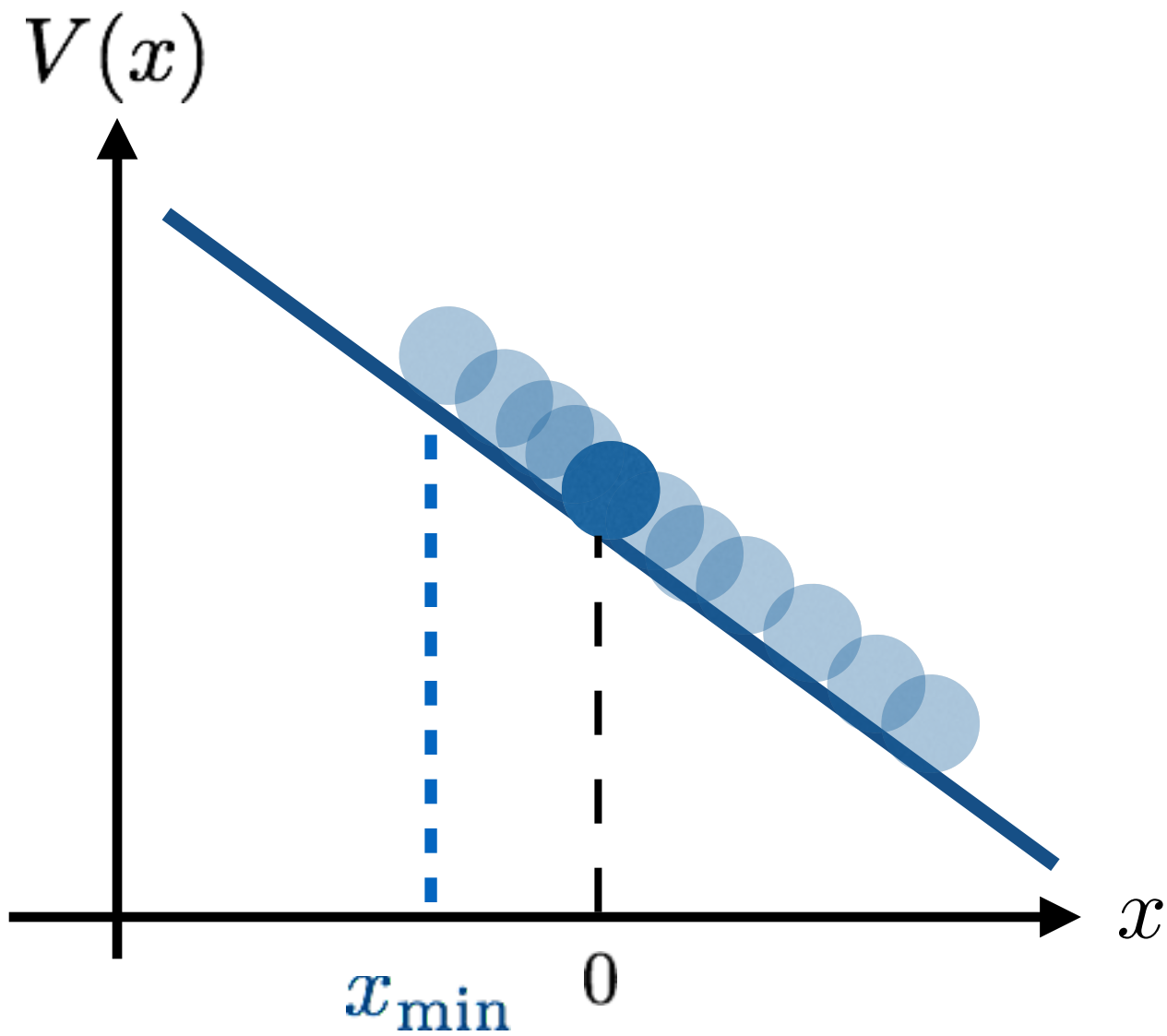
How far can we walk against the stream ?

# Extreme excursions

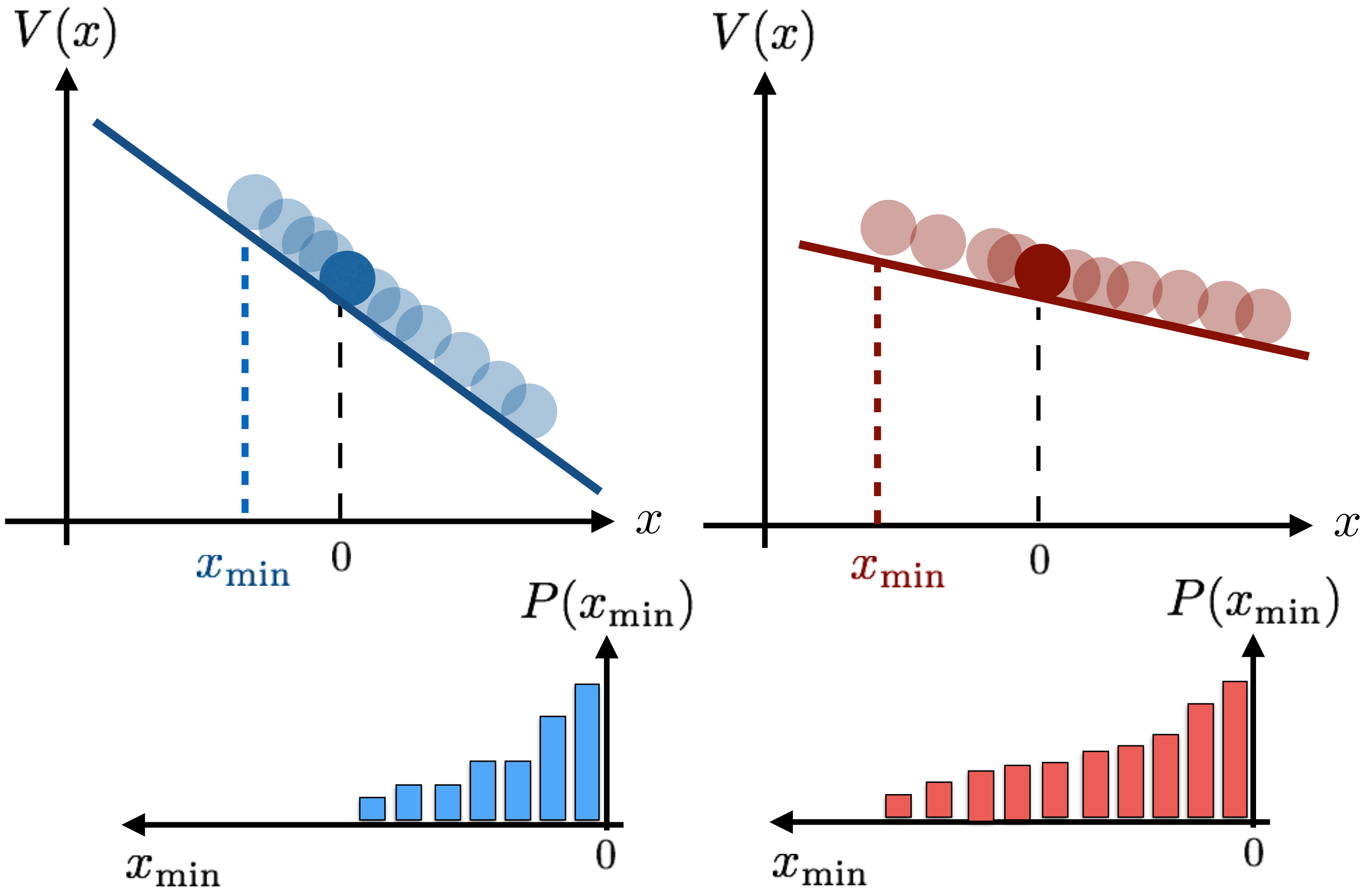


$$\frac{dx_t}{dt} = -\mu V'(x_t) + \sqrt{2D}\xi_t$$

# Statistics of minima

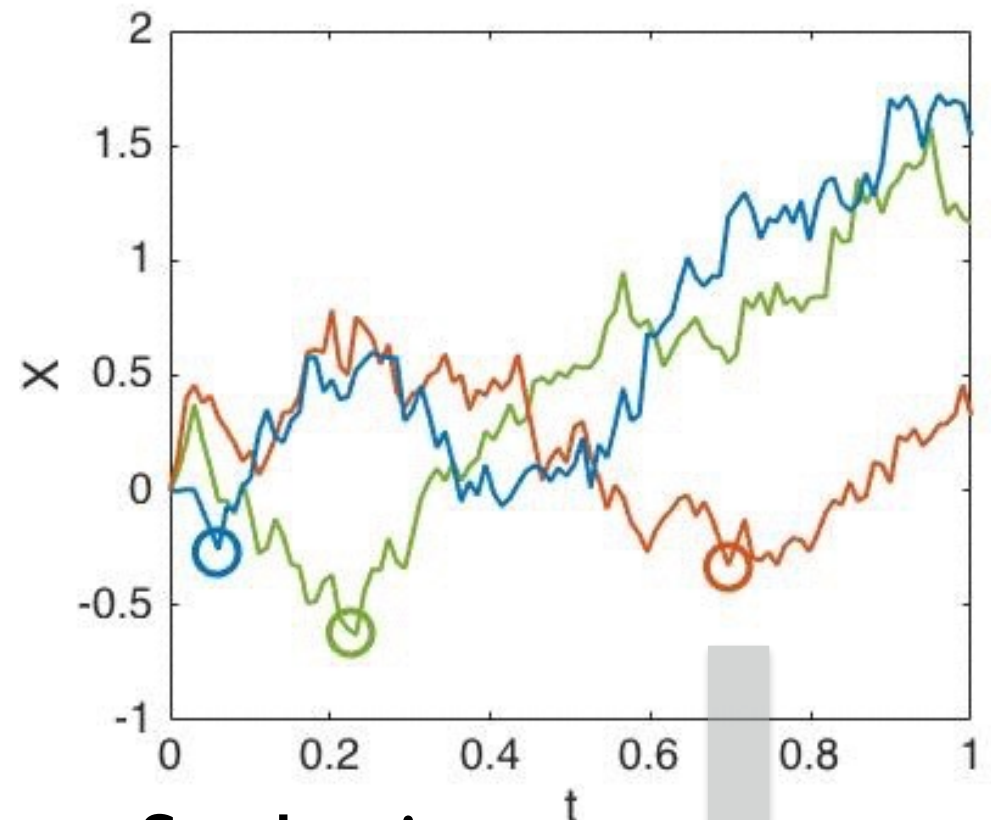
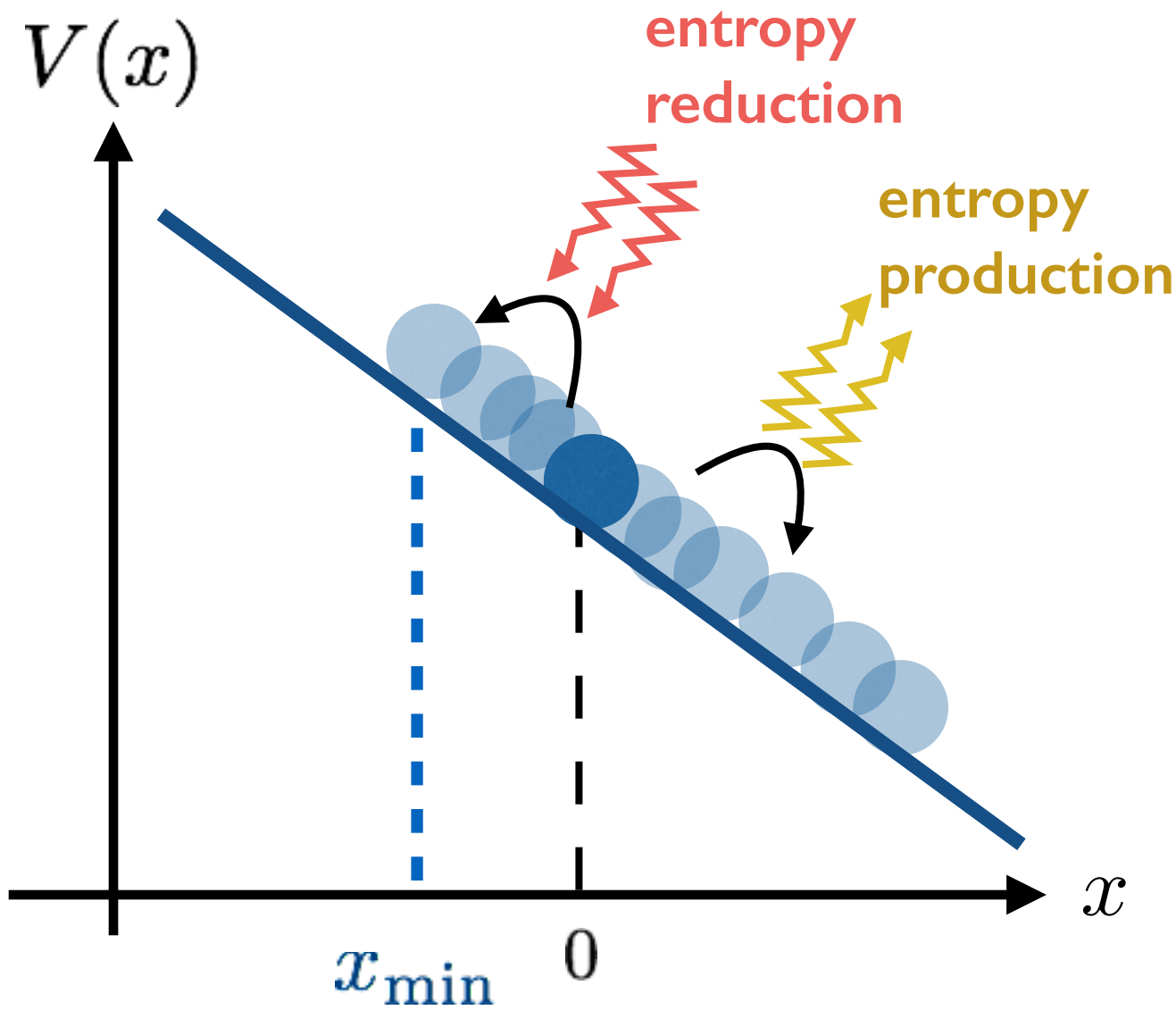


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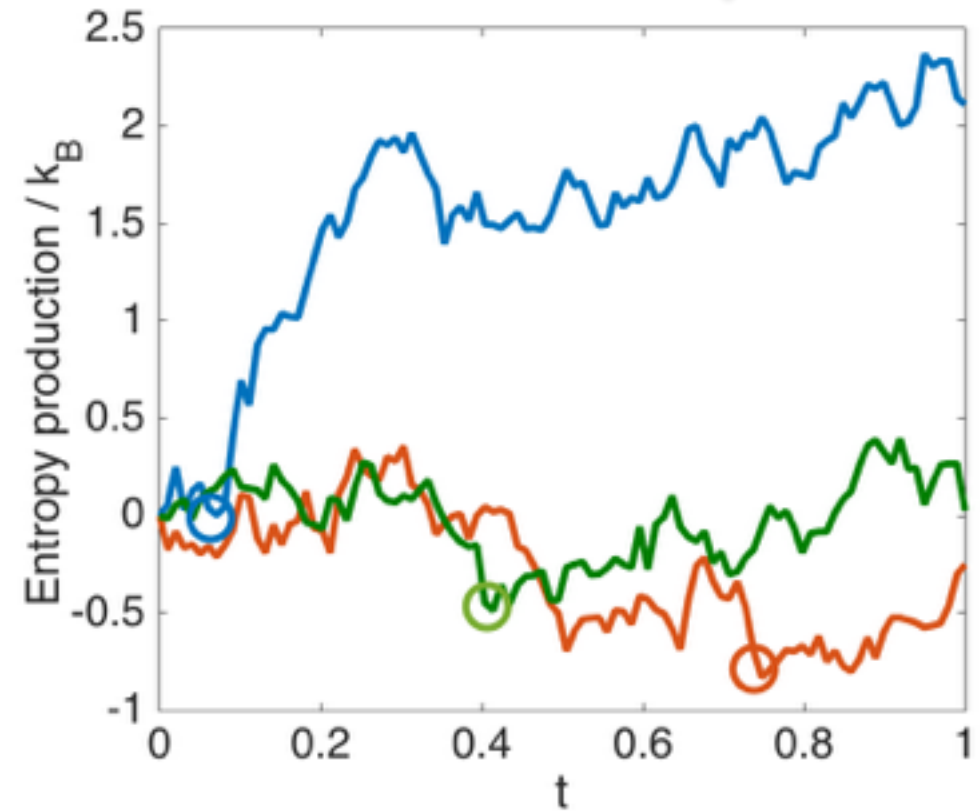




# Extrema of thermodynamic fluctuations



Stochastic thermodynamics

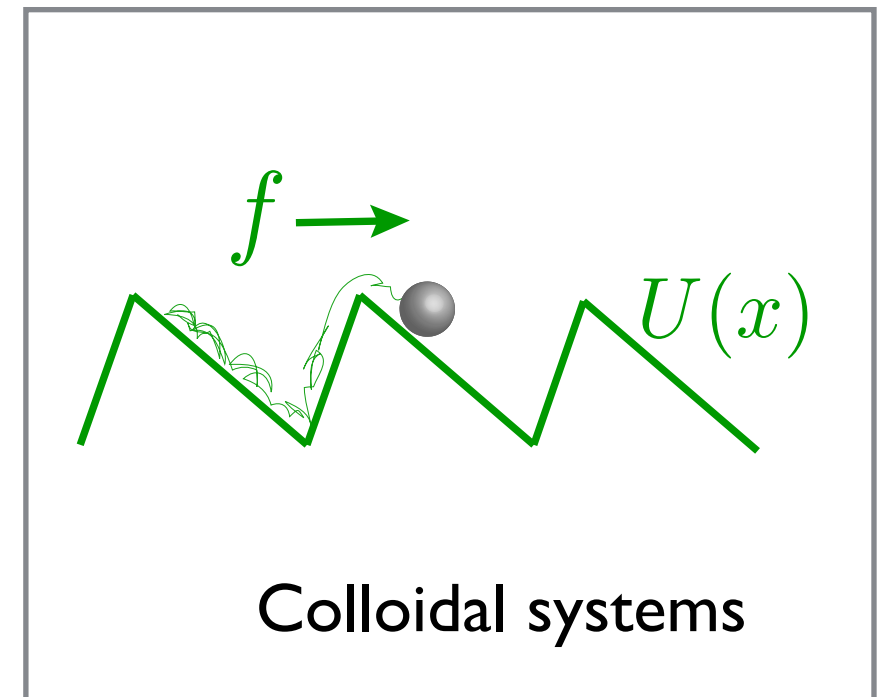
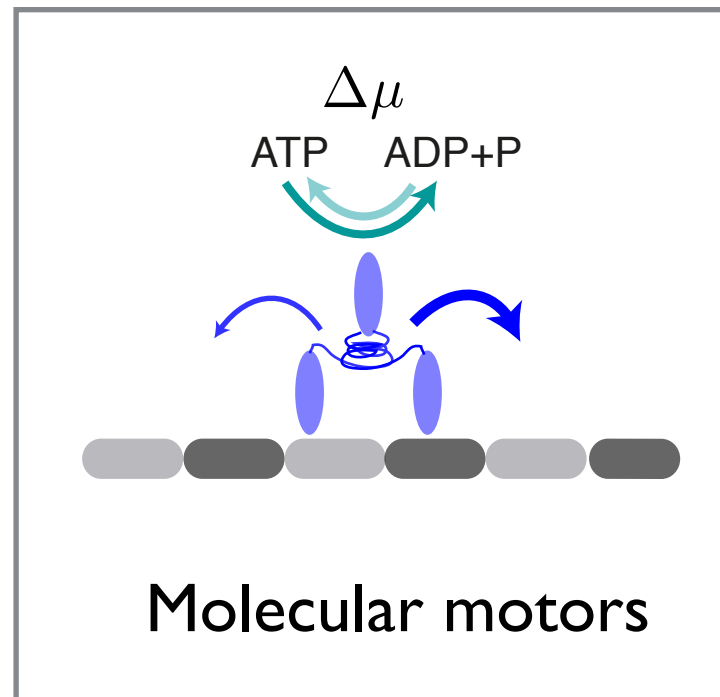
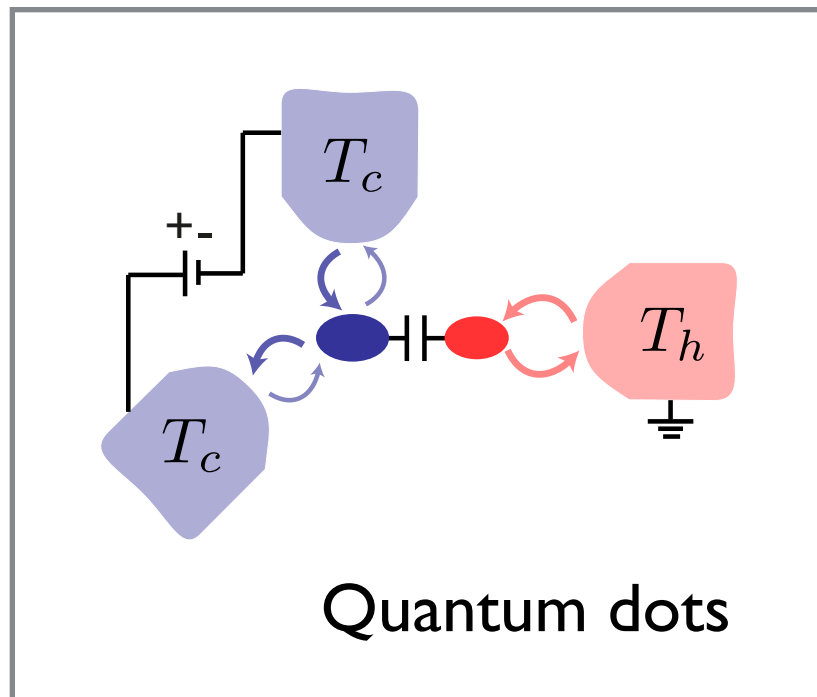


Universal constraints for extreme thermodynamic fluctuations?

# Stochastic entropy production

$$\partial_t P_t = L P_t$$

We study nonequilibrium steady states with stochastic dynamics described by Fokker-Planck or Master equations



Nonequilibrium steady state

$$P_t(\vec{X}_t) \neq Z^{-1} e^{-V(\vec{X}_t)/k_B T}$$

characterized by currents  $J_{ij}$ , thermodynamic forces  $F_{ij}$

and **entropy production**  $\sigma = \sum_{i < j} F_{ij} J_{ij} \geq 0$

# Stochastic entropy production

$$S(t) = k_B \ln \frac{P(X_{[0,t]})}{P(X_{[t,0]})}$$

stochastic trajectory

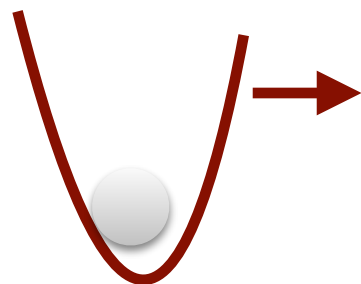
time-reversed trajectory

Equilibrium :      reversibility       $P(X_{[0,t]}) = P(X_{[t,0]})$        $S(t) = 0$

Non-equilibrium :      irreversibility       $P(X_{[0,t]}) \neq P(X_{[t,0]})$        $S(t)$  fluctuates

**Example** driven colloidal system

environmental entropy change



$$S(t) = -\frac{Q(t)}{T} + S(X_t) - S(X_0)$$

system's entropy change

$$Q(t) = \int_0^t U'(X_s) \circ dX_s$$

stochastic heat [Sekimoto 1998]

$$S(X) = -k_B \ln P(X)$$

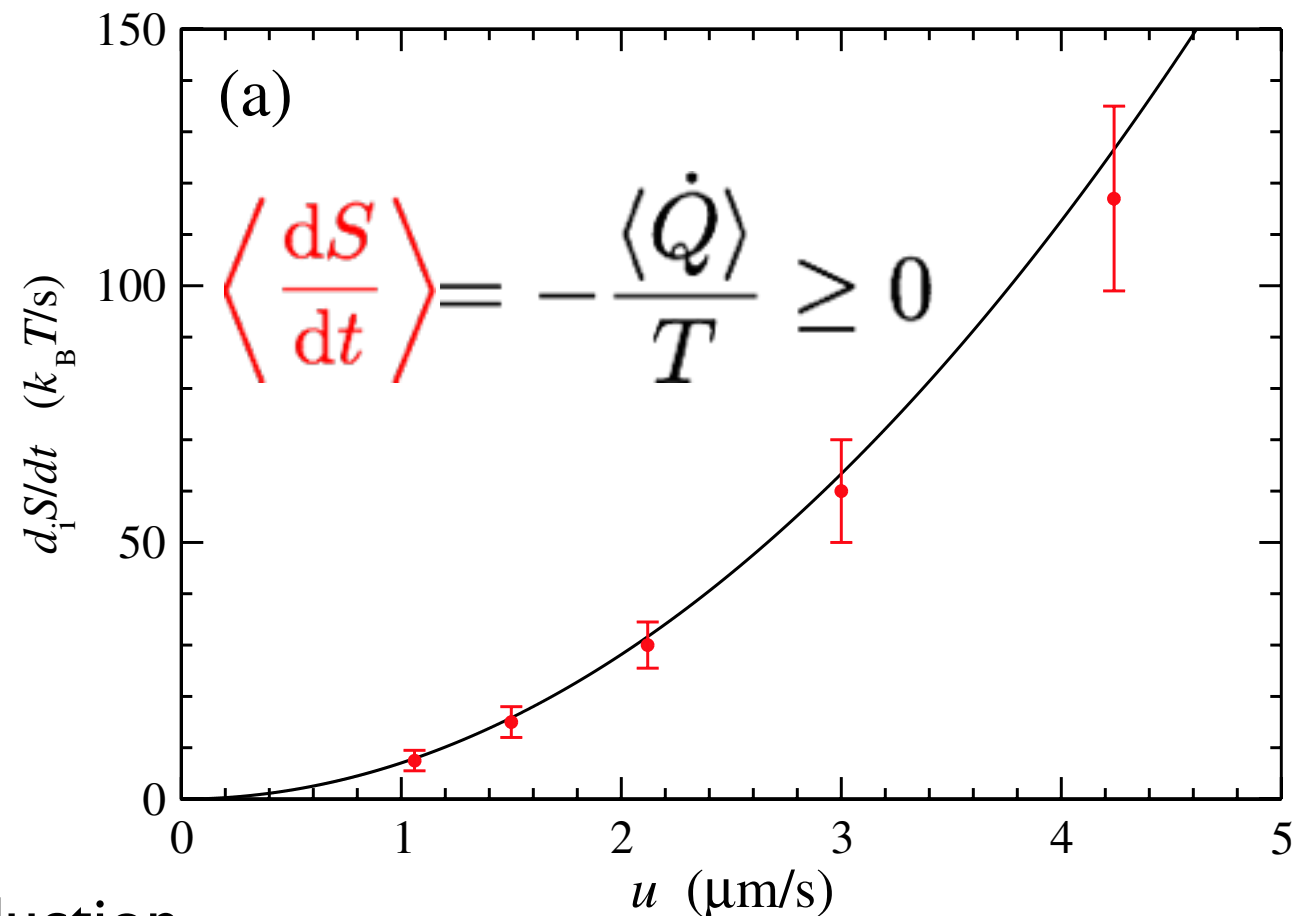
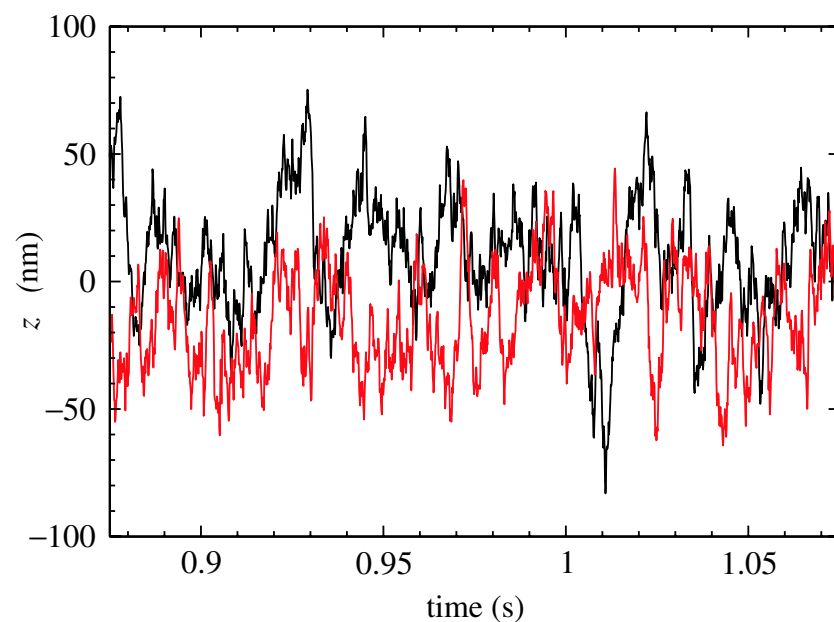
nonequilibrium system entropy



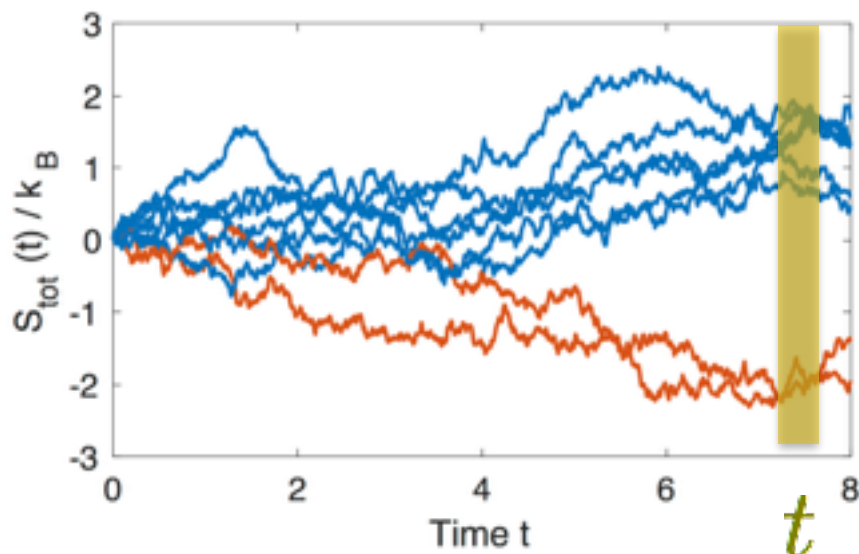
# Stochastic entropy production

Andrieux, Gaspard, Ciliberto,  
Garnier, Joubaud, Petrosyan, PRL 2007

$$S(t) = k_B \ln \frac{P(X_{[0,t]})}{P(X_{[t,0]})}$$



## Universal laws for stochastic entropy production



Detailed Fluctuation theorem

$$\frac{p_S(s; t)}{p_S(-s; t)} = e^{s/k_B}$$

Jarzynski's equality

$$\langle e^{-S(t)/k_B} \rangle = 1$$

Fixed time properties

# Martingale theory for entropy production

I. Neri, É. Roldán, F. Jülicher, PRX **7**, 011019 (2017)

In steady state  $e^{-S(t)/k_B}$  is a Martingale process:

$$\langle e^{-S_{\text{tot}}(t)/k_B} | X_{[0,\tau]} \rangle = e^{-S_{\text{tot}}(\tau)/k_B}$$

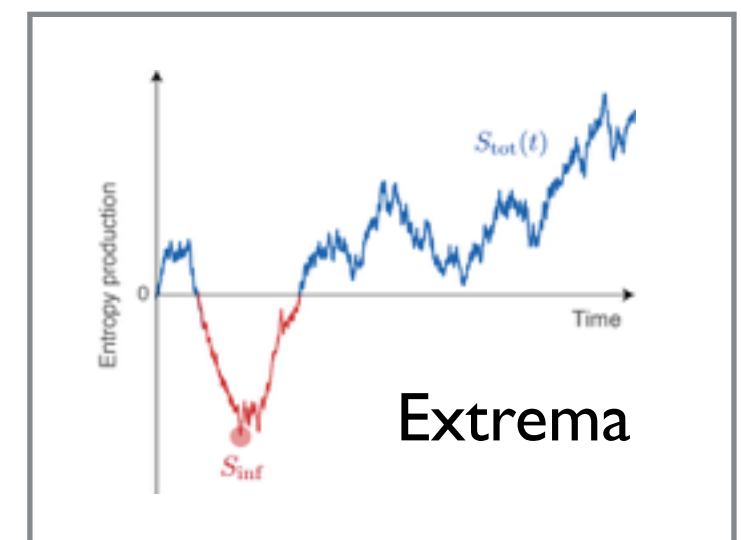
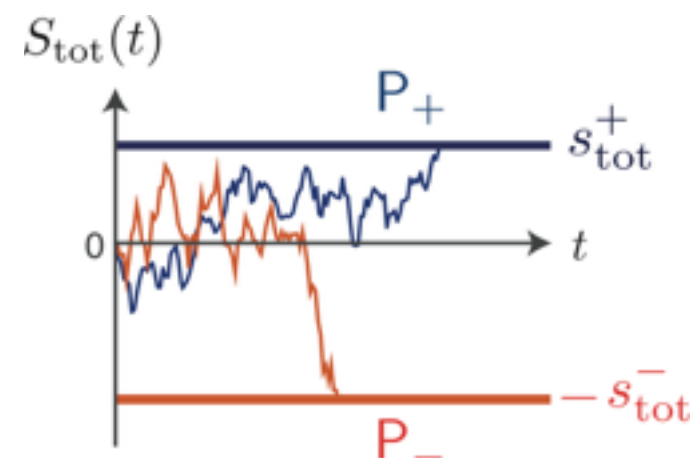
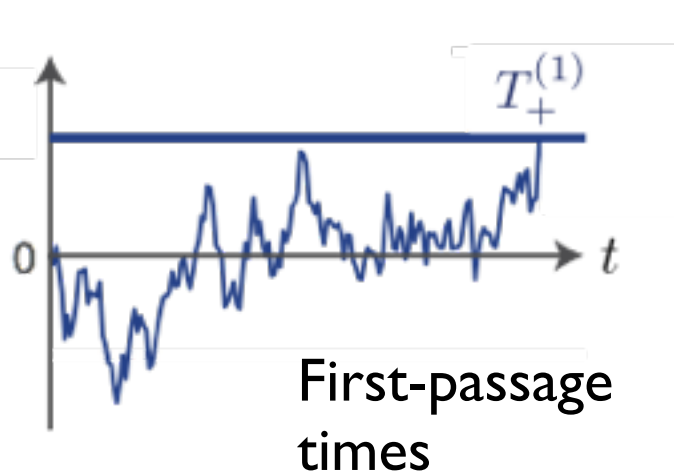
for any future time  $t \geq \tau$

“Its expected value in the future (conditioned on a past history) equals to the last known value”

The martingale property generalizes the Integral Fluctuation Theorem

$$\tau = 0 \quad \langle e^{-S_{\text{tot}}(t)/k_B} \rangle = e^{-S_{\text{tot}}(0)/k_B} = 1$$

...and implies **new universal properties** of entropy production

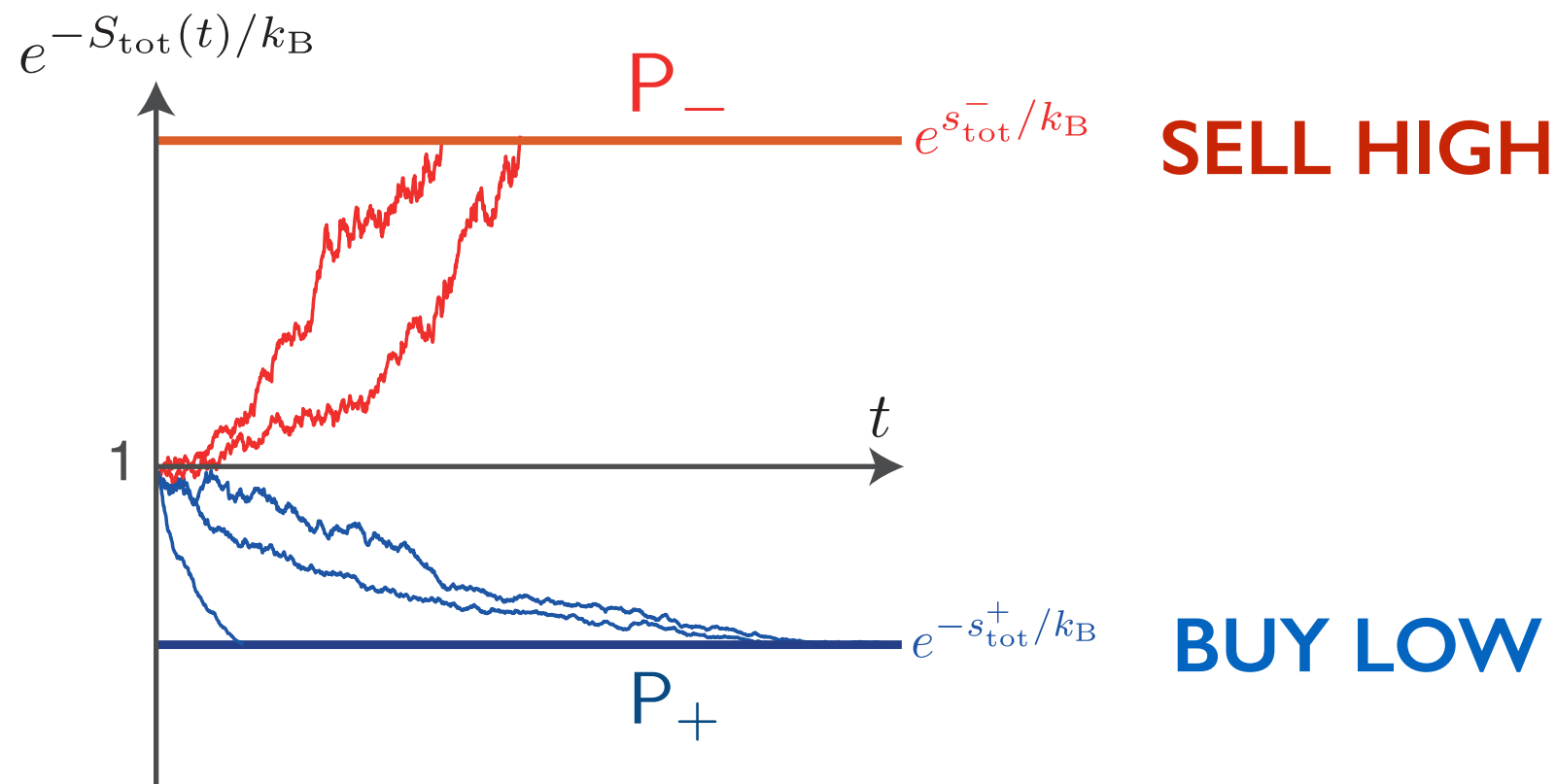


# Martingale theory for entropy production

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Martingales are often used to represent fair games or risk-free markets.

Doob's optional stopping theorem for Martingales



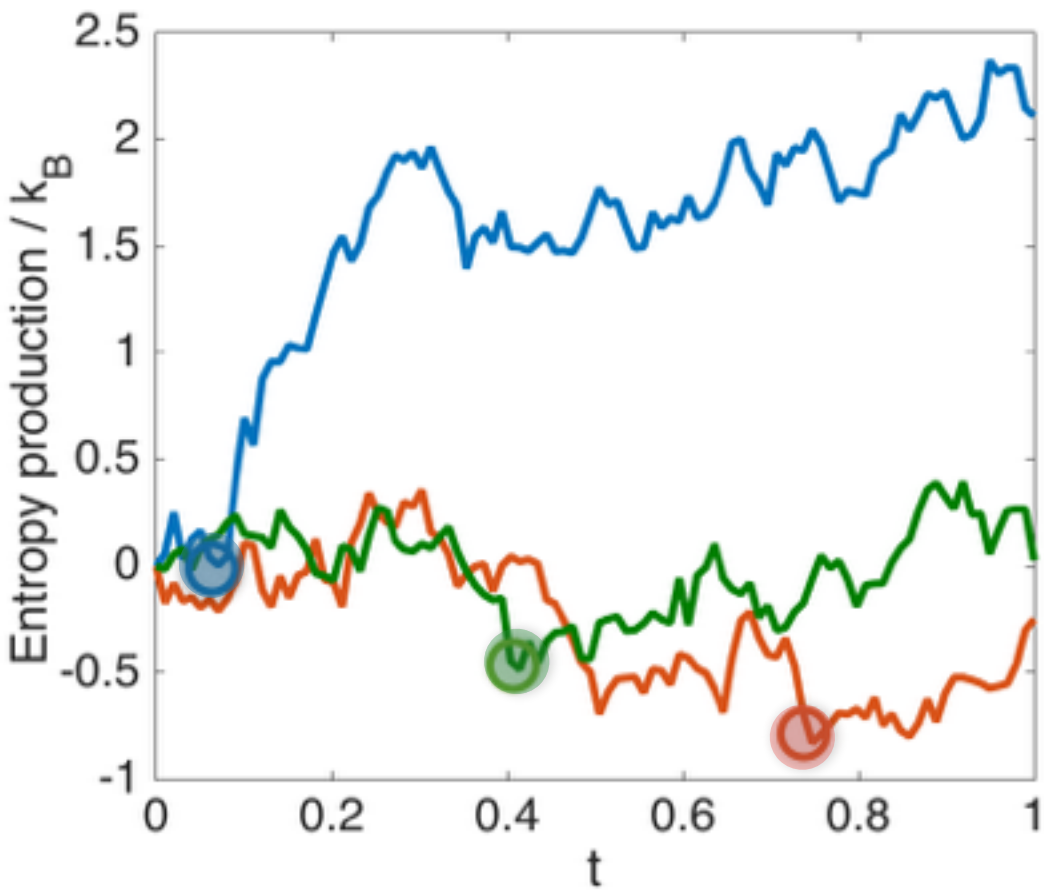
$$\langle e^{-S_{tot}(T)/k_B} \rangle = 1$$

You can't get profit in a fair game !

random stopping time



# Statistics of infima of entropy production



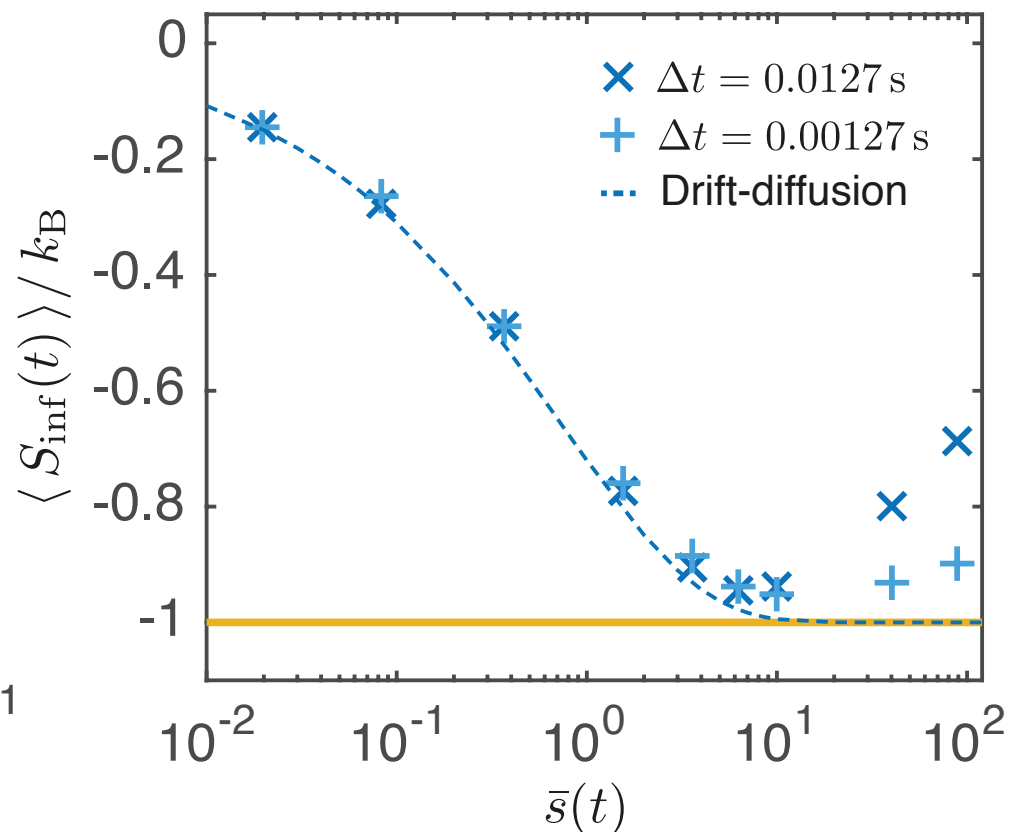
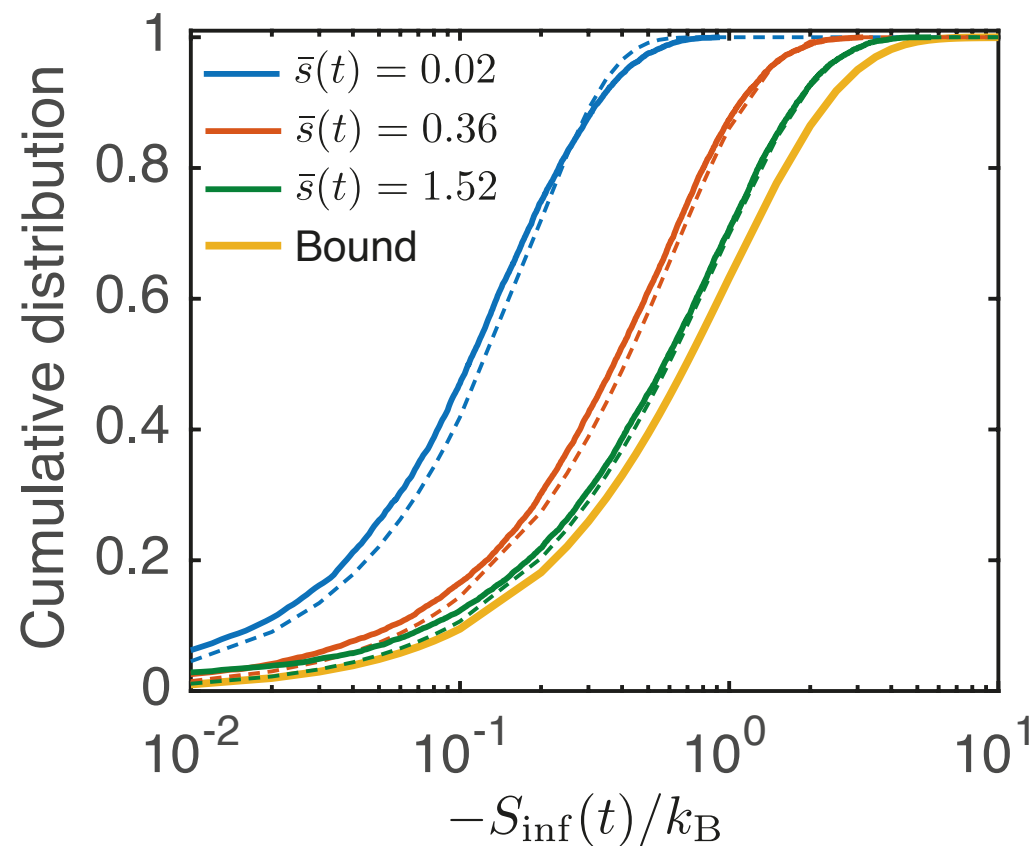
What is the minimum value (infimum) of stochastic entropy production in a time interval  $[0, t]$ ?

$$\Pr (S_{\text{inf}}(t) \geq -s) \geq 1 - e^{-s/k_B}$$

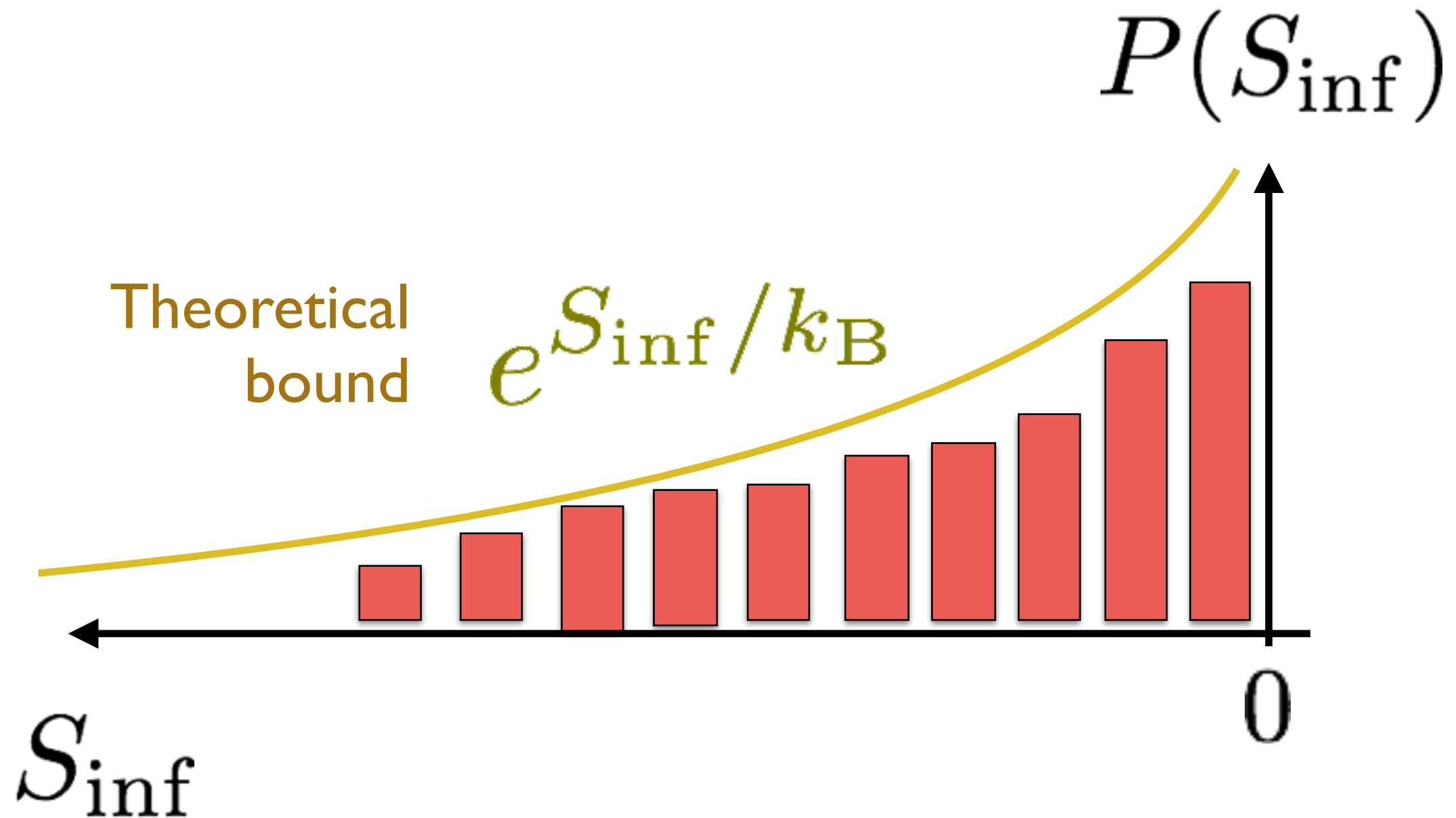
CDF of an exponential r.v. with mean  $-k_B$

“Infimum Law”

$$\langle S_{\text{inf}}(t) \rangle \geq -k_B$$



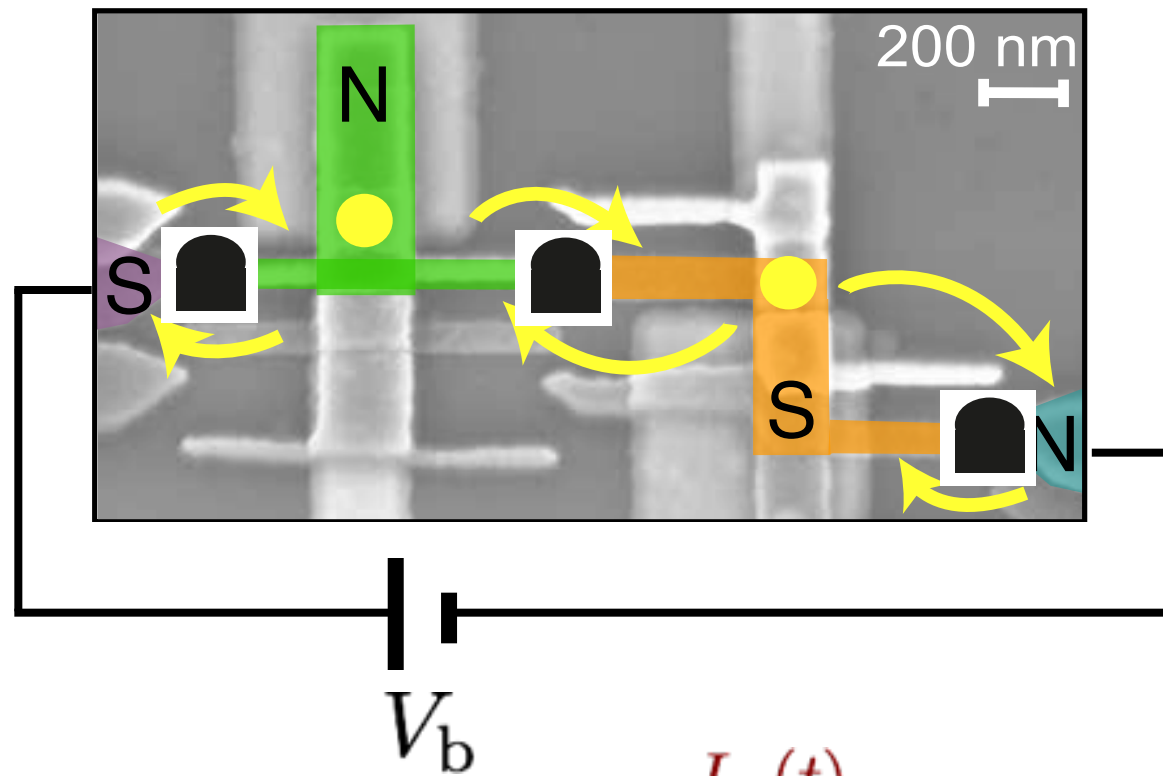
# Statistics of infima of entropy production



Experimental test?

# Electronic double dot

## Experimental setup

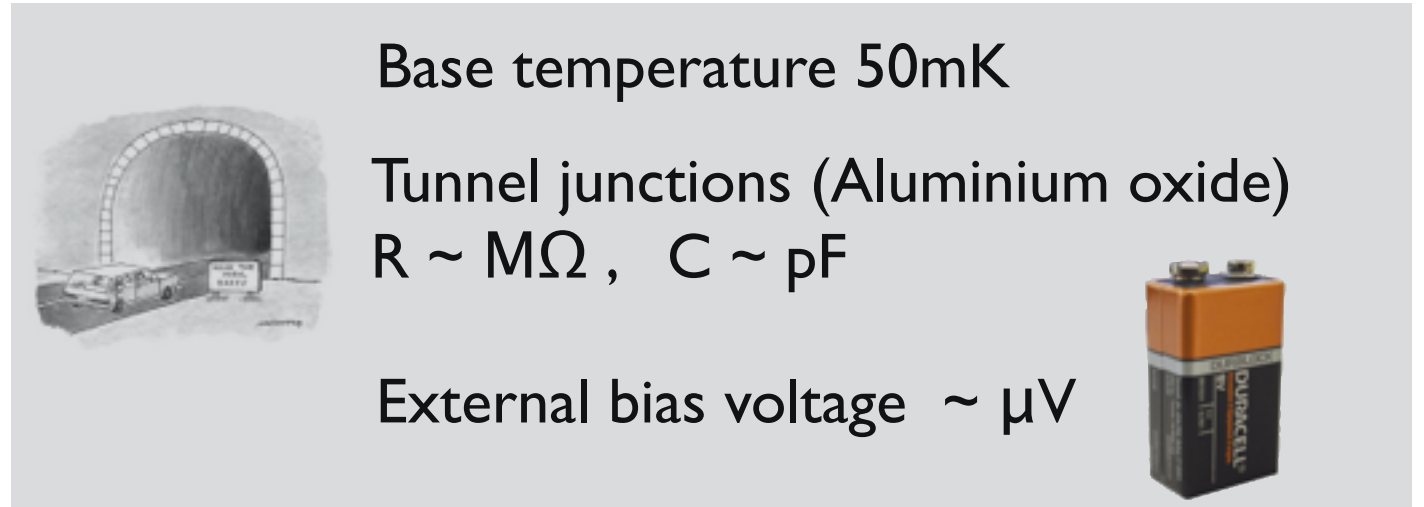


Normal metal (N): Copper  
Superconductor (S): Aluminium

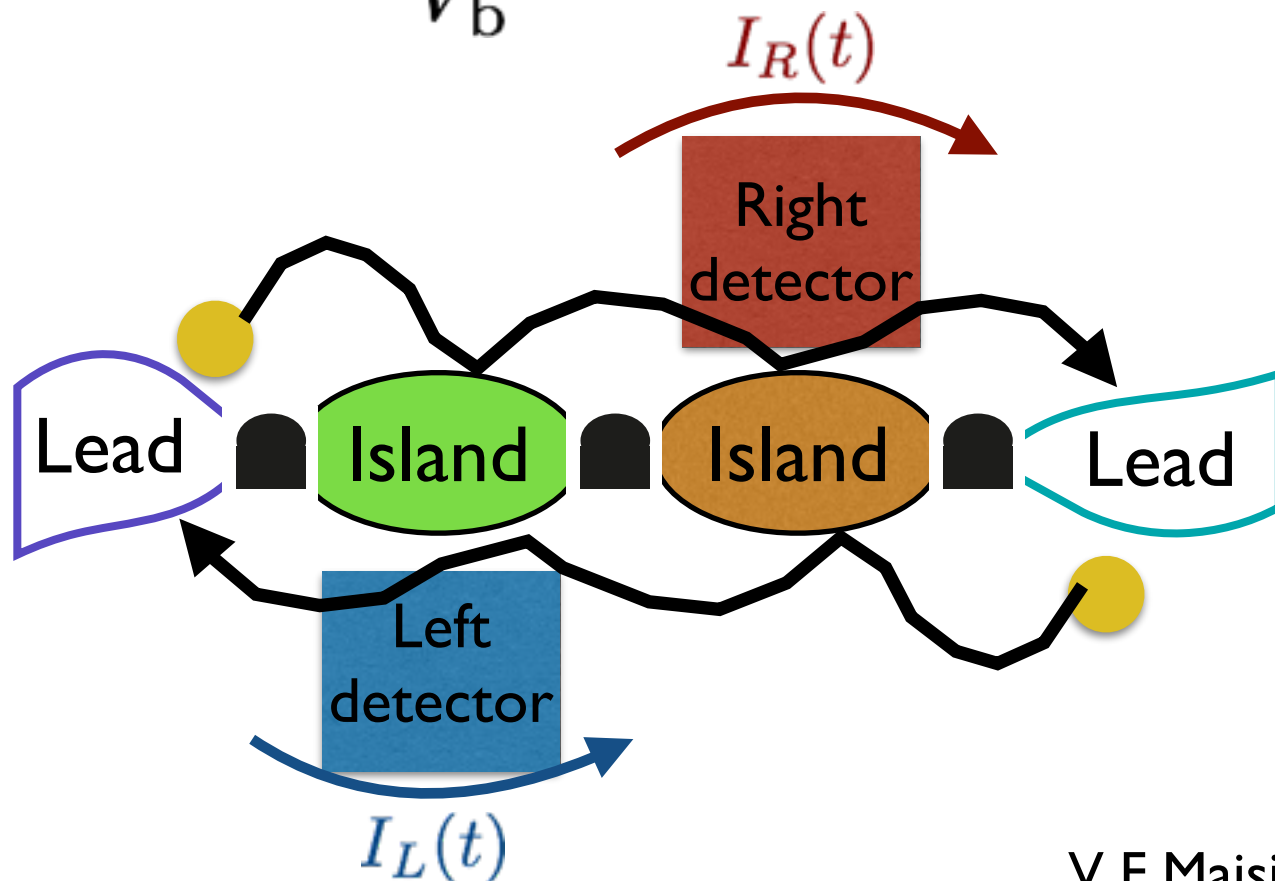
Base temperature 50mK

Tunnel junctions (Aluminium oxide)  
 $R \sim M\Omega$ ,  $C \sim pF$

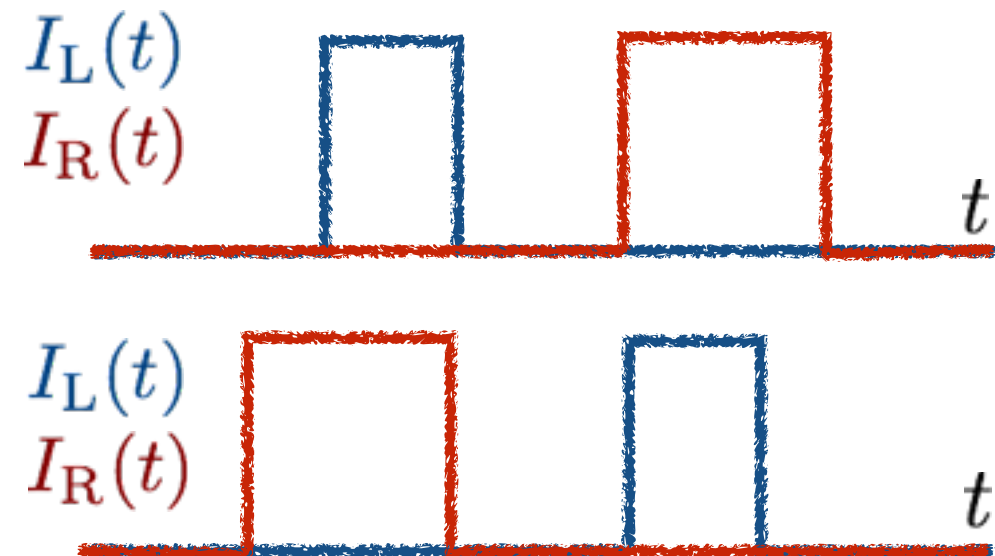
External bias voltage  $\sim \mu V$



**Coulomb-blockade**



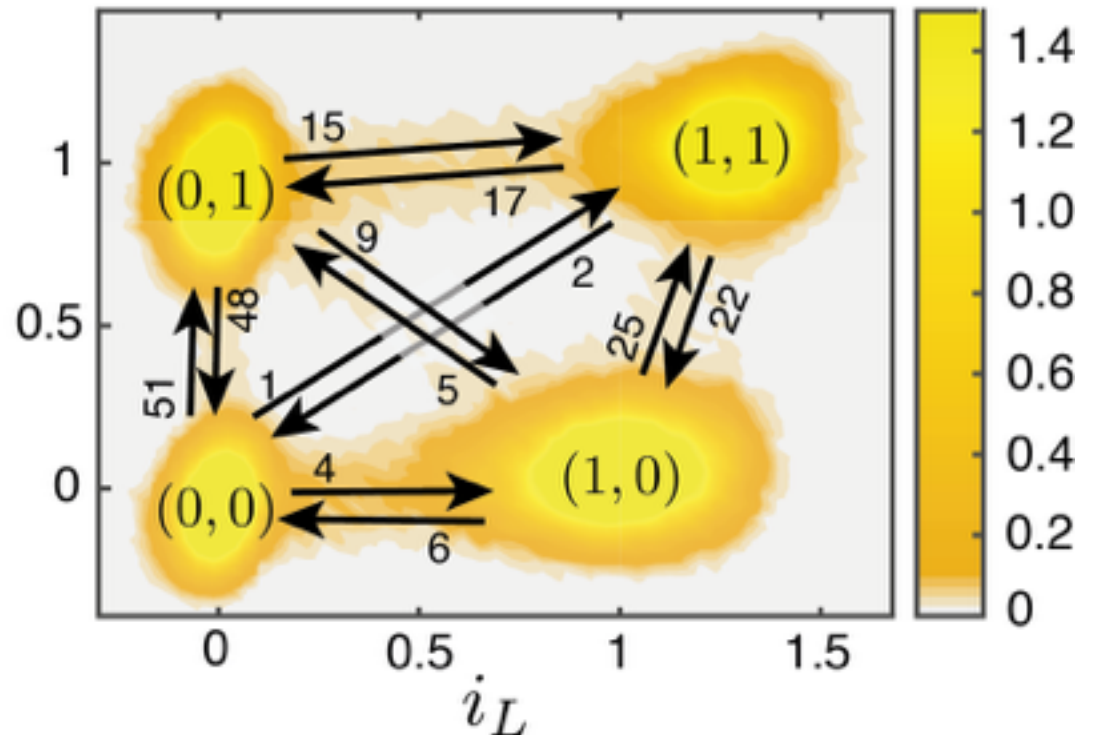
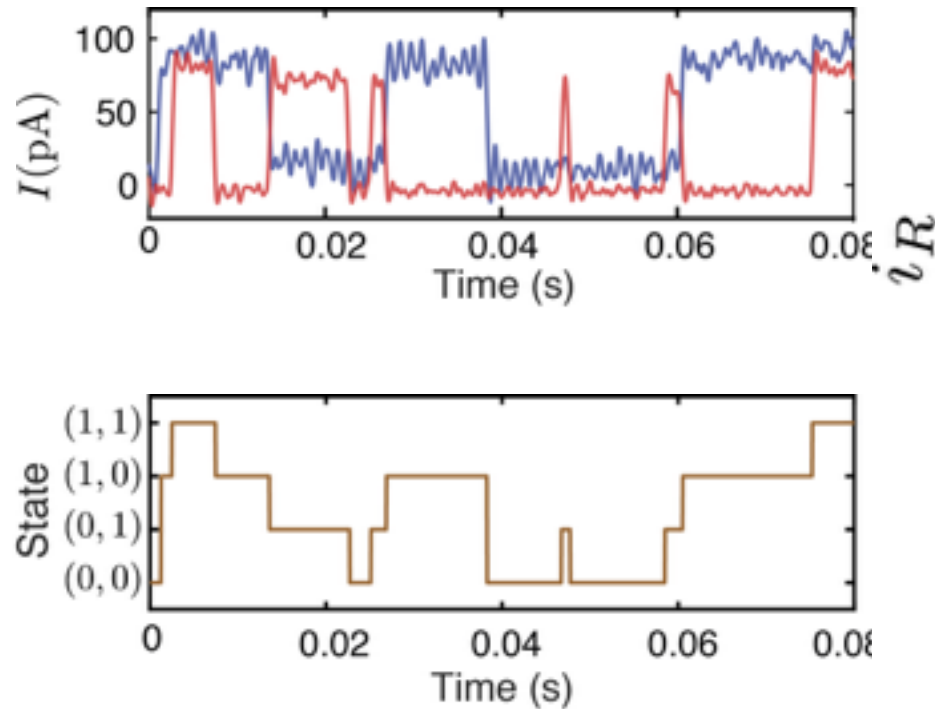
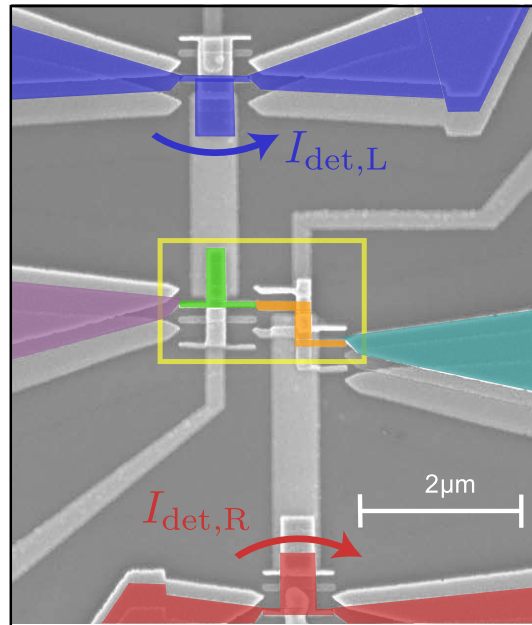
## Detector currents



S. Singh, É. Roldán, I. Neri, I. M. Khaymovich, D. S. Golubev, V. F. Maisi, J. T. Peltonen, F. Jülicher, J. P. Pekola, arXiv 1712.01693 (2017)



# Entropy fluctuations in the double dot



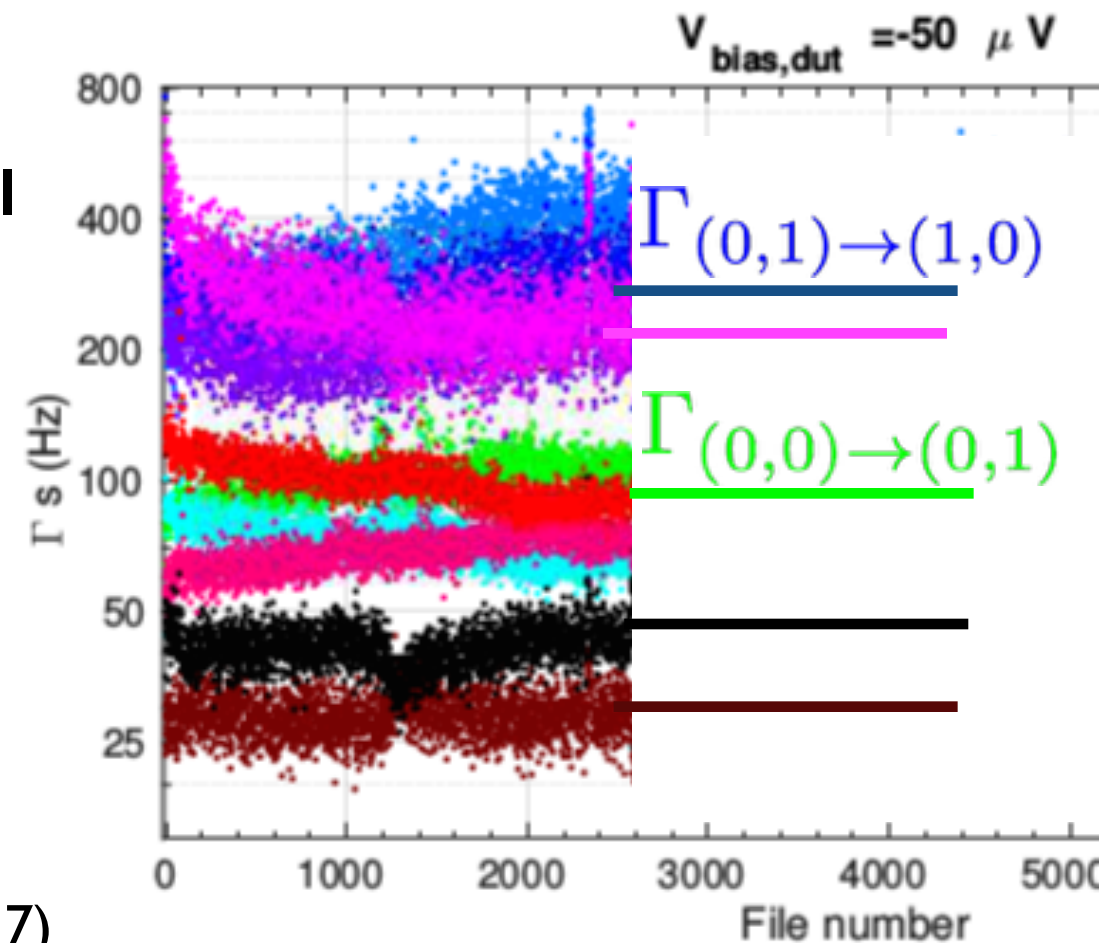
Stochastic entropy production

$$S_{\text{tot}}(t) = \sum_{\alpha} s_{\alpha} X_{\alpha}(t)$$

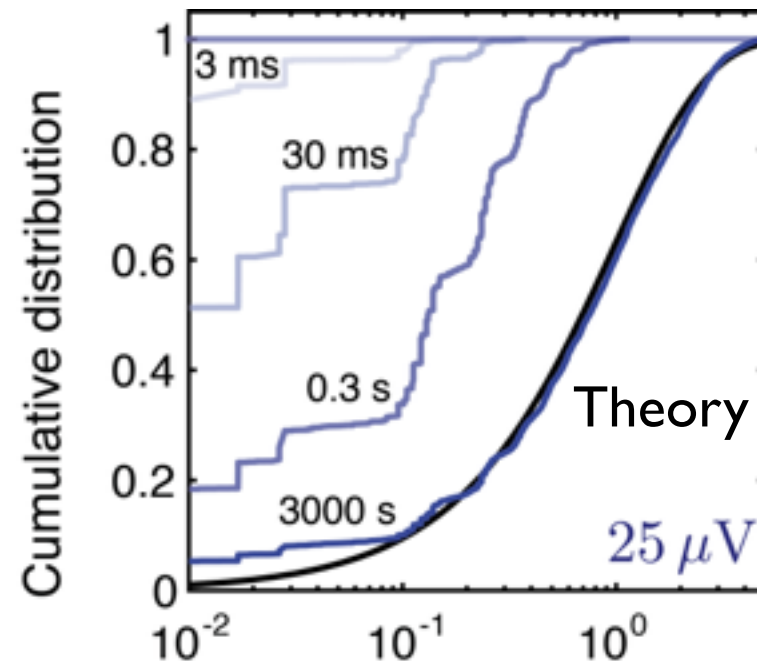
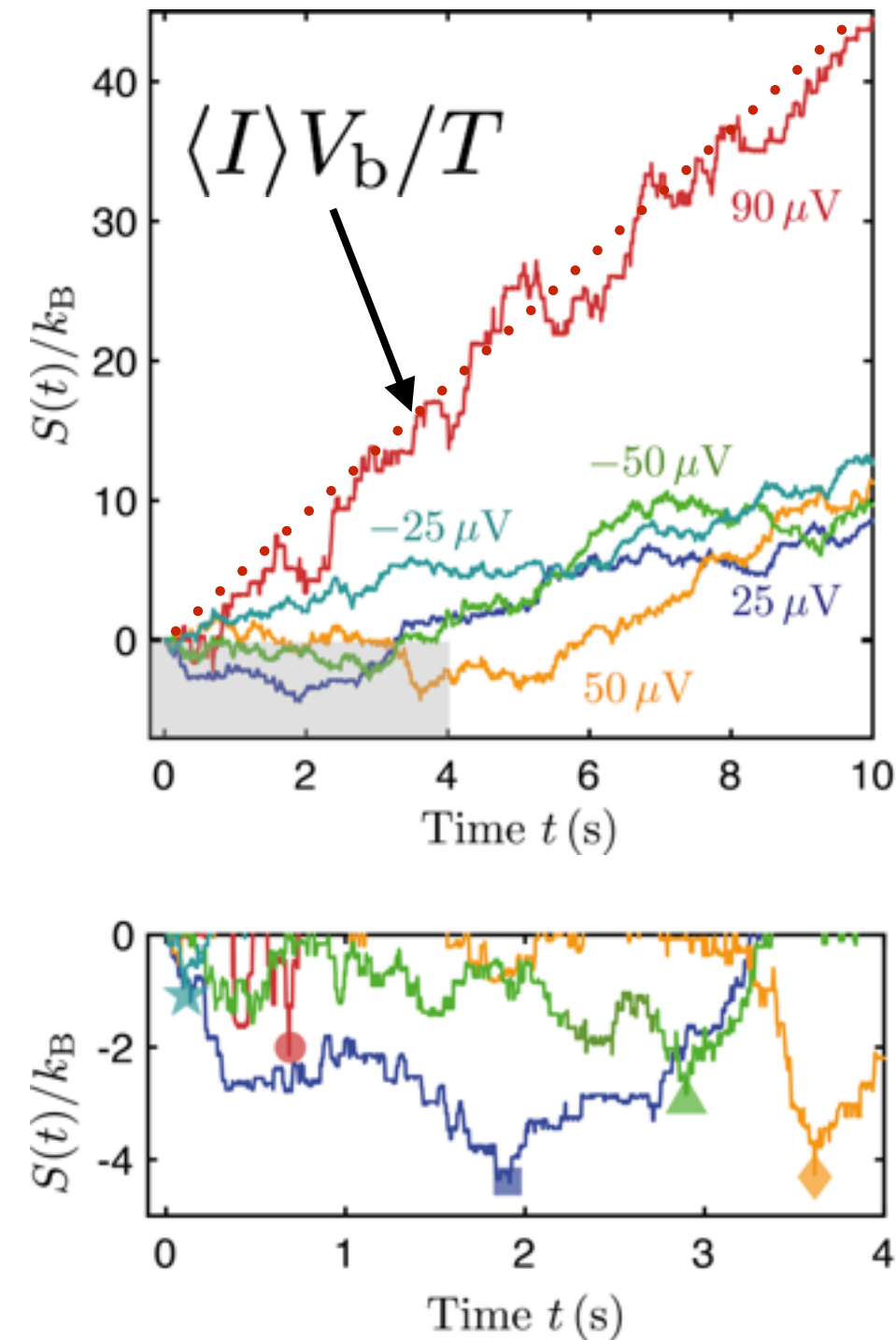
net current along  $\alpha$

$$s_{\alpha} = k_B \ln \frac{\Gamma(n_{\alpha} \rightarrow n'_{\alpha})}{\Gamma(n'_{\alpha} \rightarrow n_{\alpha})} + k_B \ln \frac{P^{\text{st}}(n_{\alpha})}{P^{\text{st}}(n'_{\alpha})}$$

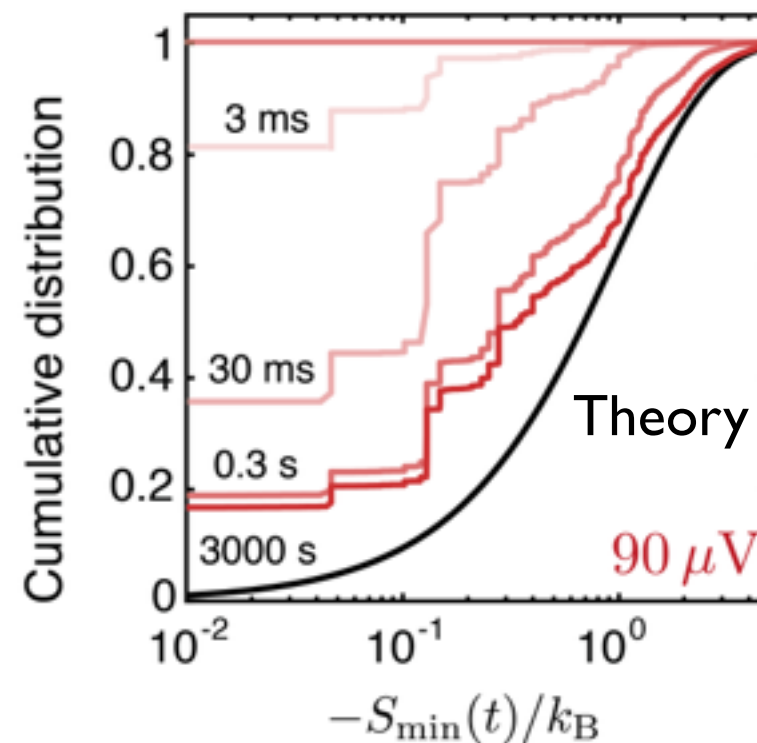
Experimental steady state



# Extreme values of stochastic entropy production



Close to equilibrium  
 $\langle \dot{Q}_{\text{Joule}} \rangle < 1 k_B T / \text{s}$

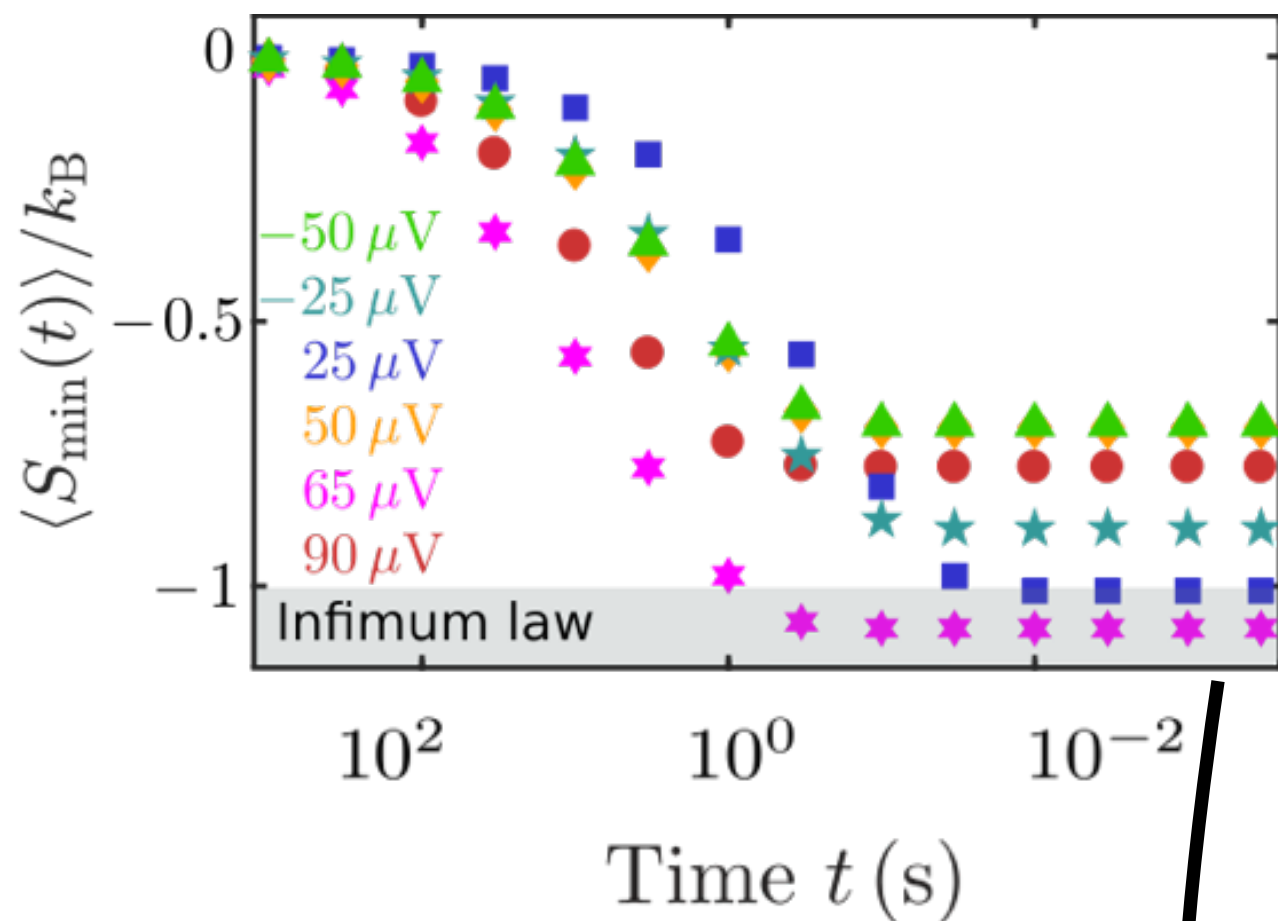


Far from equilibrium  
 $\langle \dot{Q}_{\text{Joule}} \rangle \sim 5 k_B T / \text{s}$

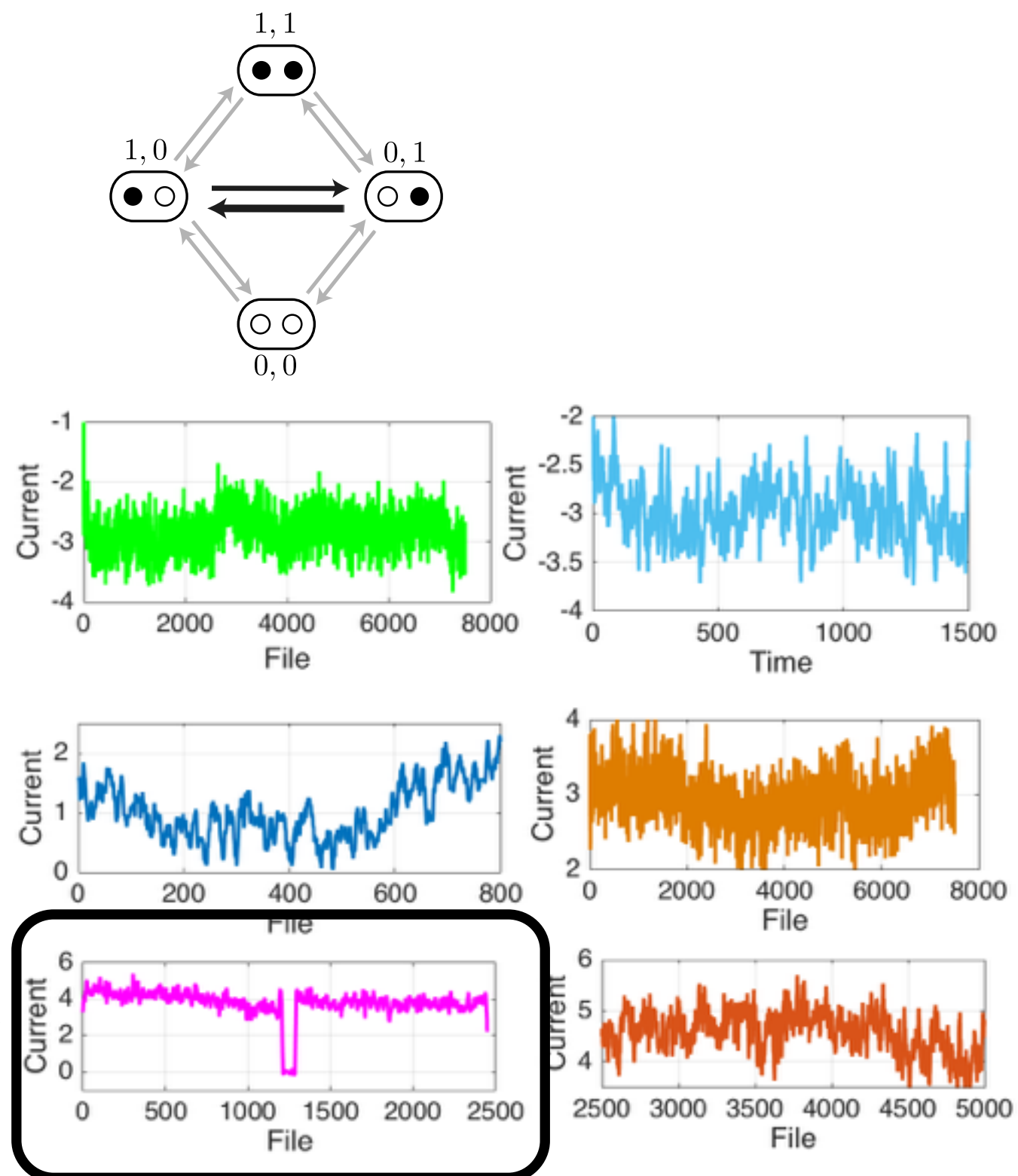
$$\Pr (S_{\min}(t) \geq -s) \leq 1 - e^{-s/k_B}$$

# Testing “infimum law”

$$\langle S_{\text{inf}}(t) \rangle \geq -k_B$$



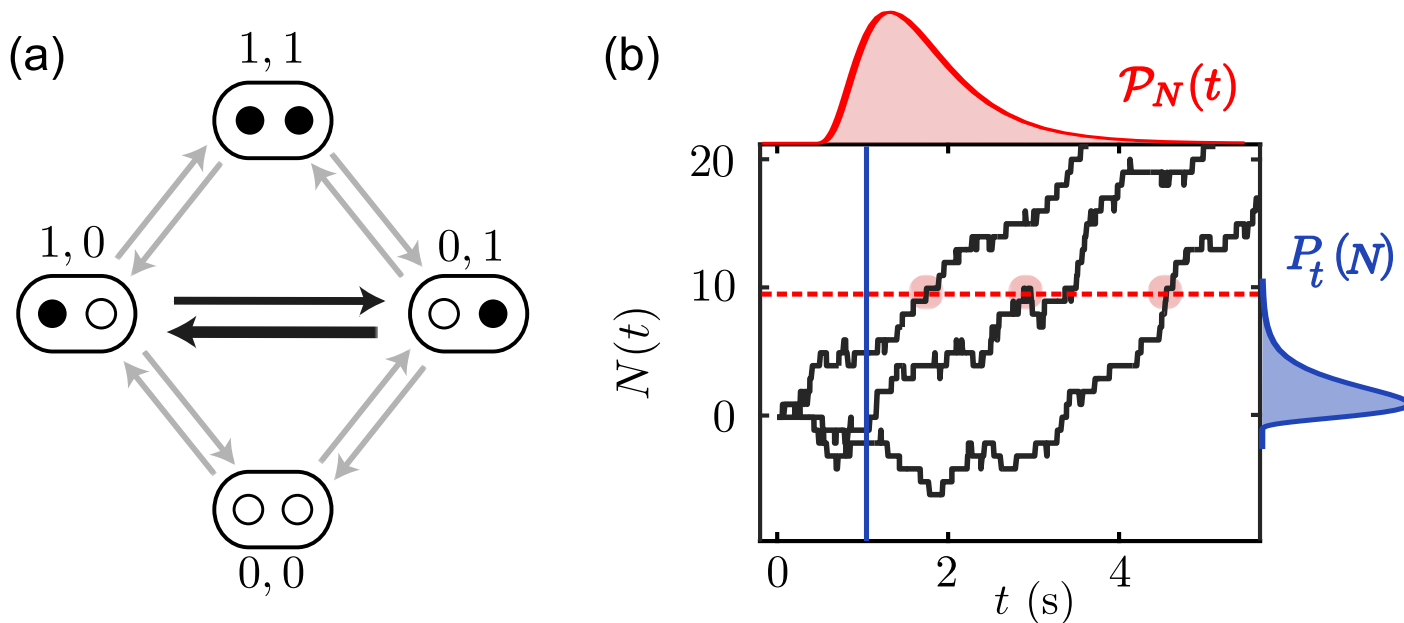
**non-stationary  
conditions**





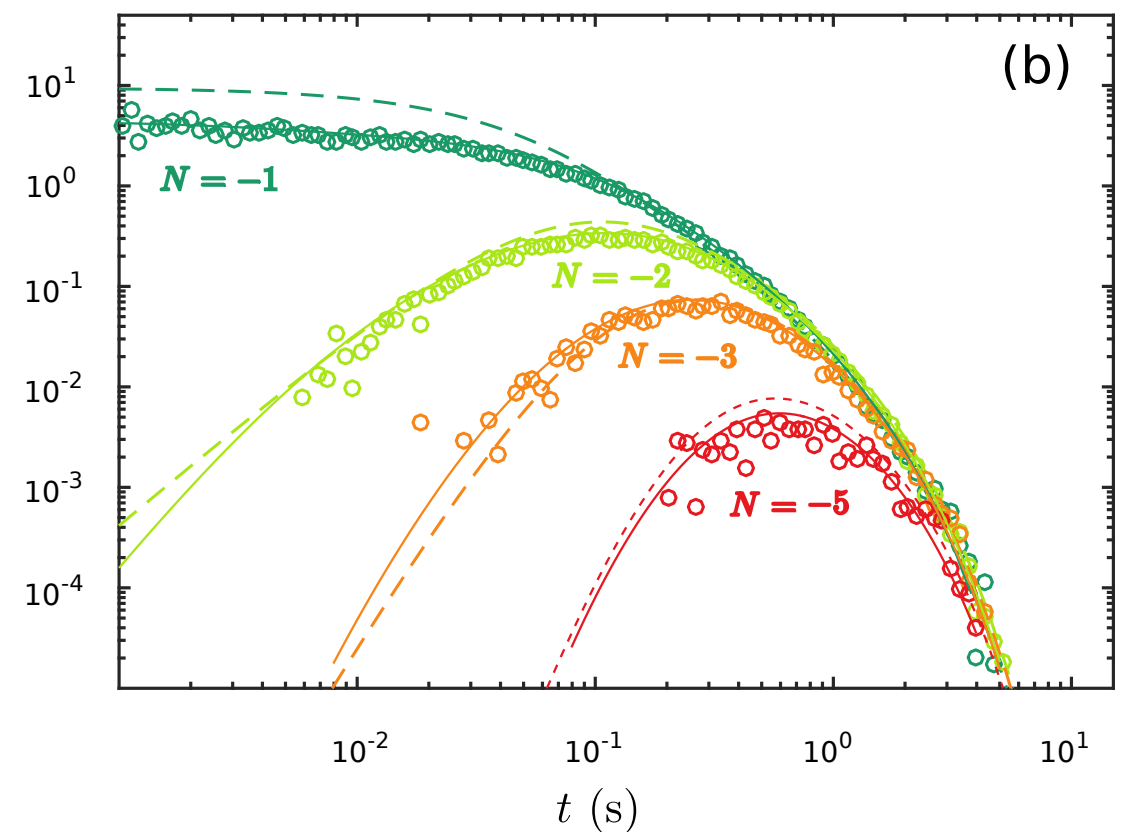
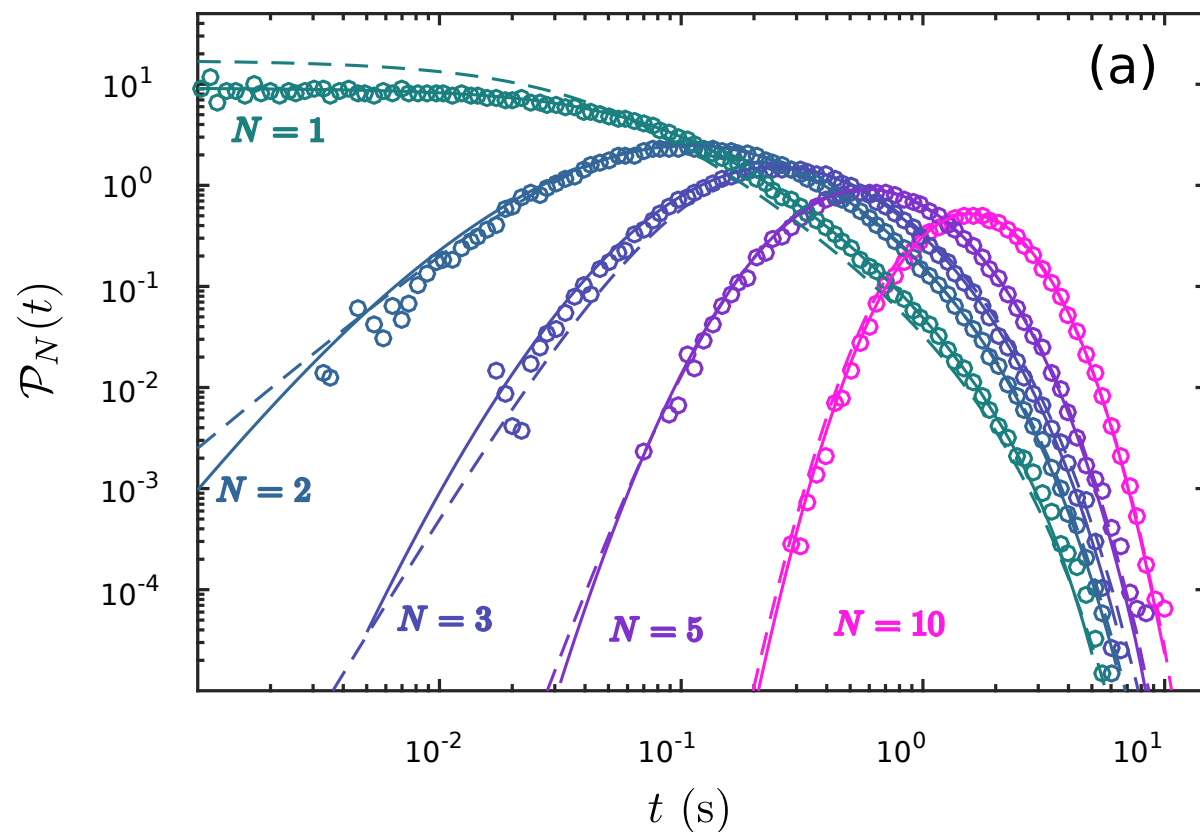
# Universal first-passage-time distribution

S. Singh et. al, arXiv: **TODAY** or **TOMORROW**



$$\mathcal{P}_N(t) = \frac{|N^*| e^{-\frac{c_1 c_2}{c_3} t}}{t} \left( \frac{c_2 + \sqrt{c_1 c_3}}{c_2 - \sqrt{c_1 c_3}} \right)^{\frac{N^*}{2}} \times I_{|N^*|} \left( \frac{c_1 \sqrt{c_2^2 - c_1 c_3}}{c_3} t \right).$$

non-Gaussianity





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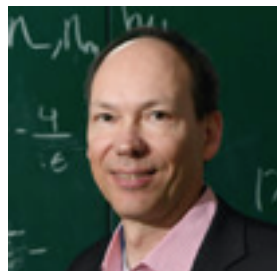
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