

# Fluctuation relations for molecular motors

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# Outline of the talk

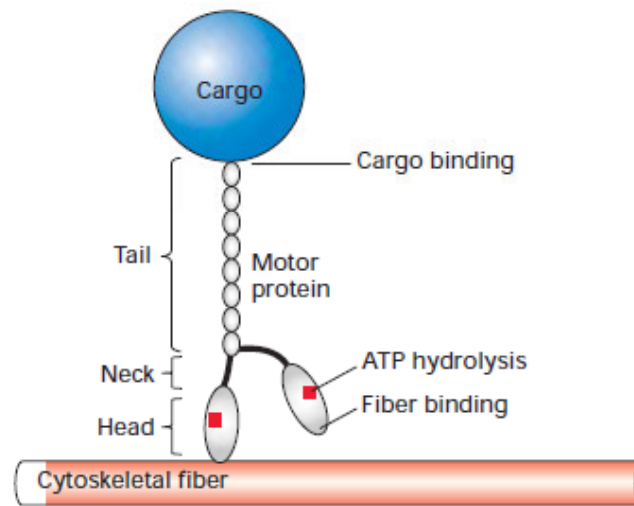
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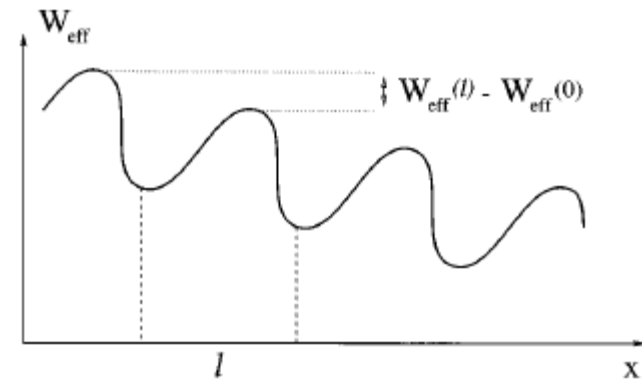
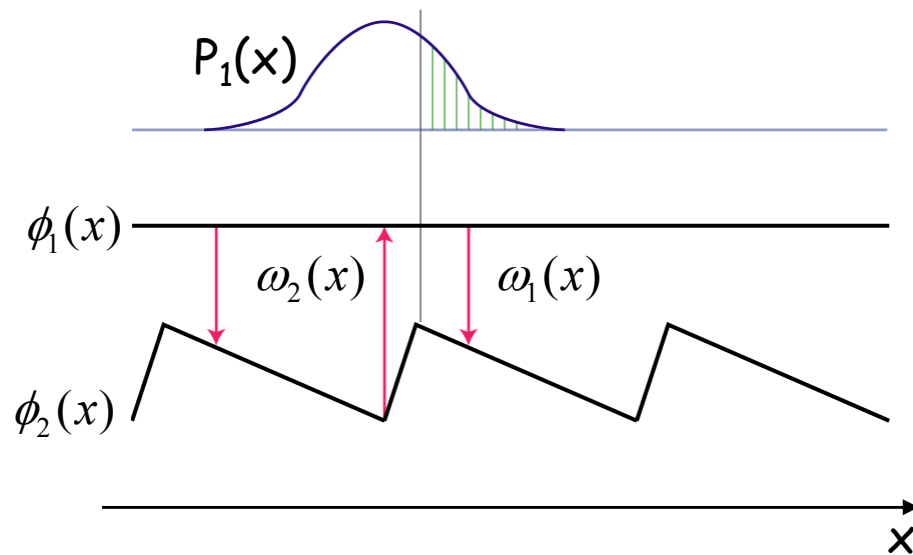
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# I. Energetics and fluctuation relations of a single molecular motor



## Flashing ratchet model



Conditions for directed motion in the absence of applied force:

- Asymmetric potentials (spatial symmetry)
- Breaking of detailed balance (time-reversal symmetry)

A.Ajdari et al., Rev. Mod. Physics **69**, 1269 (1997)

Two coupled Fokker-Plank equations:

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t P_1 + \partial_x J_1 = -\omega_1(x)P_1 + \omega_2(x)P_2 \\ \partial_t P_2 + \partial_x J_2 = \omega_1(x)P_1 - \omega_2(x)P_2 \end{cases}$$

with particle currents ( $kT=1$ )  $J_i = -D(\partial_x P_i + P_i \partial_x \phi_i - P_i f)$

Coupling to chemical reactions



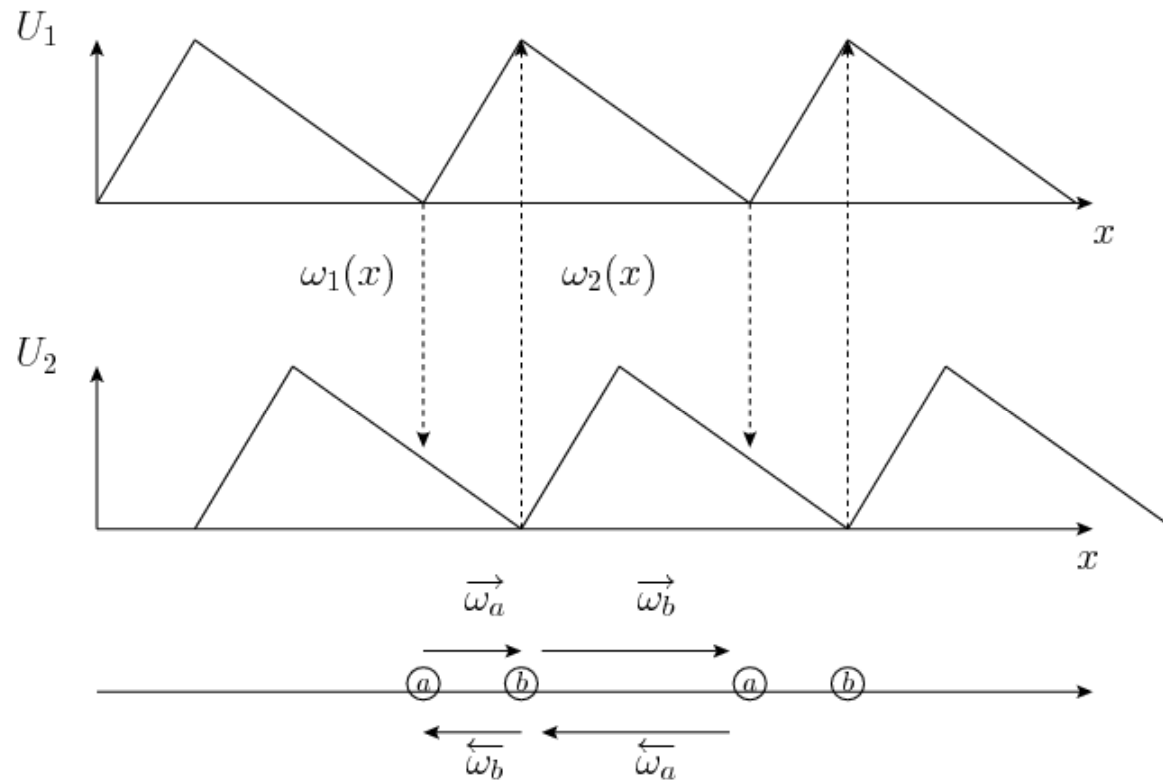
Transitions rates

$$\omega_1(x) = (\psi(x)e^{\Delta\mu} + \omega(x))e^{(U_1(x)-fx)/k_B T}$$

$$\omega_2(x) = (\psi(x) + \omega(x))e^{(U_2(x)-fx)/k_B T}$$

$$\Delta\mu = k_B T \ln \left( \frac{[ATP] [ADP]_{eq} [P]_{eq}}{[ADP][P] [ATP]_{eq}} \right)$$

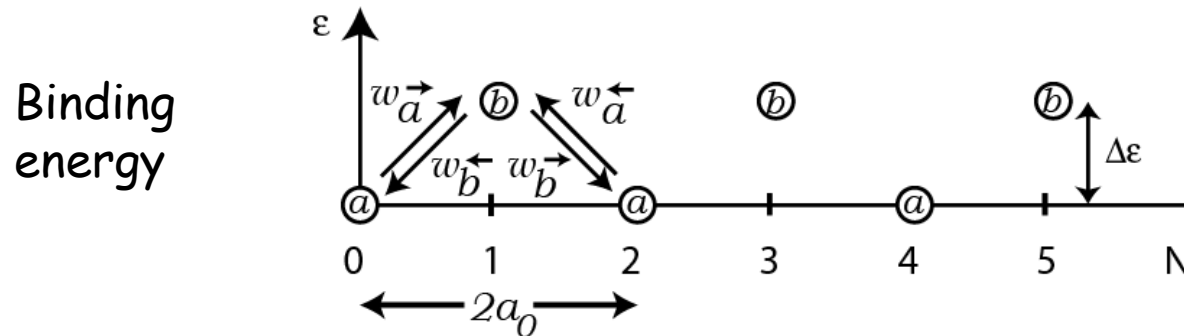
## Construction of a minimal ratchet model



B. Widom et al., J. Stat. Phys. **93**, 663 (1998)

M. E. Fisher et al., PNAS **96**, 6597 (1999)

## Minimal ratchet model: dynamics



Transition rates  
(at  $f=0$ )

$$w_a^{\rightarrow} = (\alpha e^{\Delta\mu/T} + \omega) e^{-\Delta\varepsilon/T}$$

$$w_b^{\leftarrow} = (\alpha + \omega)$$

$$w_a^{\leftarrow} = (\alpha' e^{\Delta\mu/T} + \omega') e^{-\Delta\varepsilon/T}$$

$$w_b^{\rightarrow} = (\alpha' + \omega')$$

Conditions for directed motion

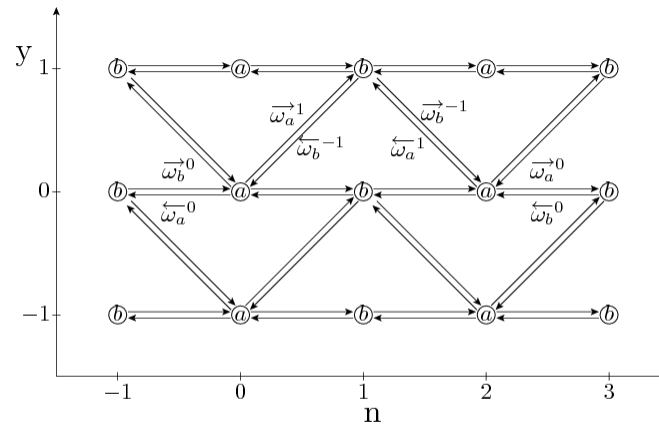
$$\alpha \neq \alpha' \quad \text{or} \quad \omega \neq \omega' \quad \textit{asymmetric potentials}$$

$$\Delta\mu \neq 0 \quad \text{or} \quad f \neq 0 \quad \textit{breaking of detailed balance}$$

Y. Kafri et al., Biophys. J. **86**, 3373 (2004)

## Minimal ratchet model: thermodynamics

number of ATP molecules  
consumed:  $y(t)$



Oblique transitions:  
Active (ATP consumed)

$$\begin{aligned}\overleftarrow{\omega}_b^{-1} &= \alpha e^{-\theta_b^- f}, \\ \overrightarrow{\omega}_a^1 &= \alpha e^{-\epsilon + \Delta\mu + \theta_a^+ f}, \\ \overleftarrow{\omega}_a^1 &= \alpha' e^{-\epsilon + \Delta\mu - \theta_a^- f}, \\ \overrightarrow{\omega}_b^{-1} &= \alpha' e^{\theta_b^+ f},\end{aligned}$$

Horizontal transitions:  
passive or thermal

$$\begin{aligned}\overleftarrow{\omega}_b^0 &= \omega e^{-\theta_b^- f}, \\ \overrightarrow{\omega}_a^0 &= \omega e^{-\epsilon + \theta_a^+ f}, \\ \overleftarrow{\omega}_a^0 &= \omega' e^{-\epsilon - \theta_a^- f}, \\ \overrightarrow{\omega}_b^0 &= \omega' e^{\theta_b^+ f},\end{aligned}$$

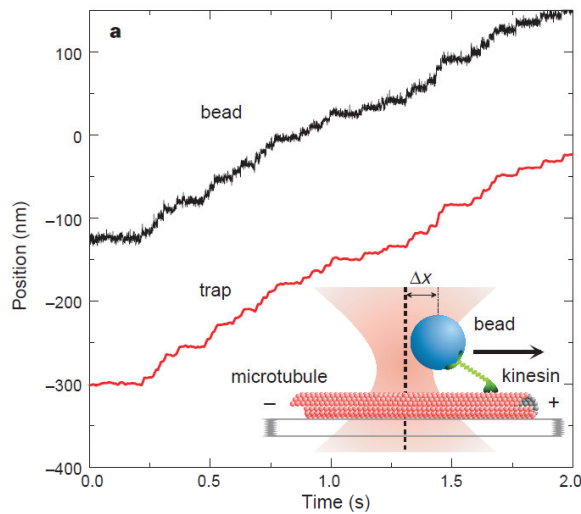
Normalized variables

$$\widetilde{\Delta\mu} = k_B T \Delta\mu$$

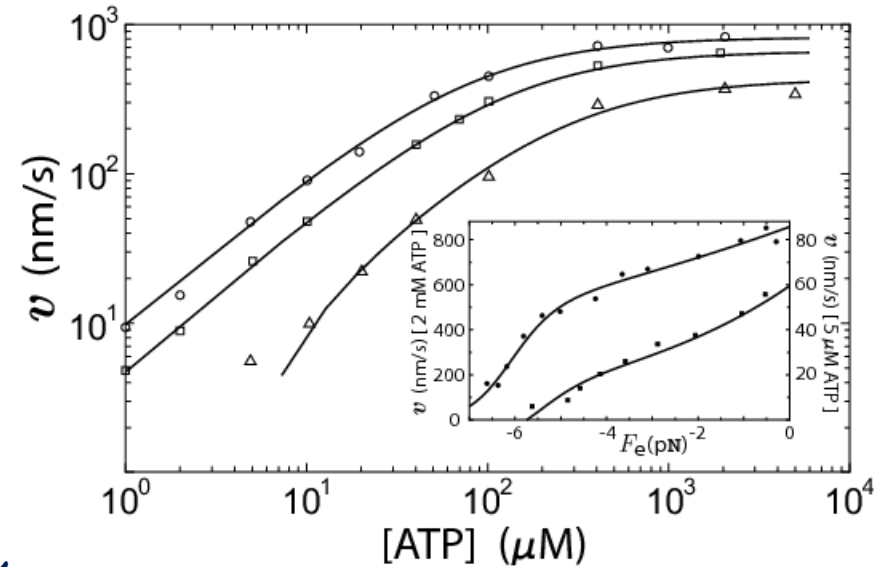
$$f = \frac{Fd}{k_B T} \quad \epsilon = \frac{\Delta E}{k_B T}$$



## Fitting the model to kinesin experiments



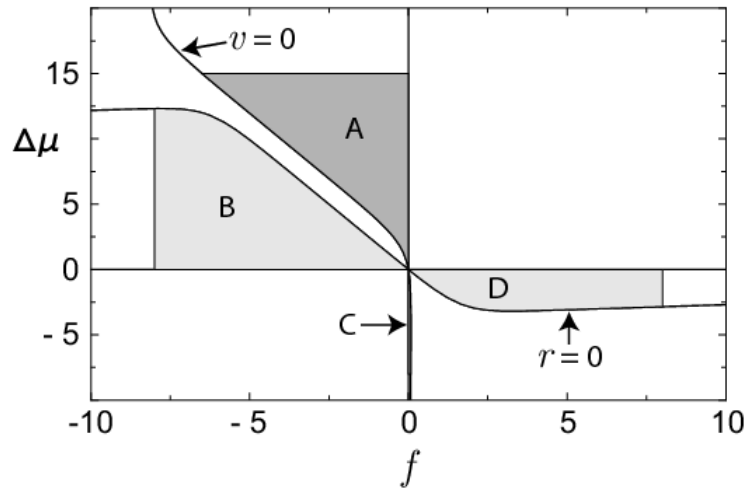
K. Vissher, M. J. Schnitzer, S. M. Block  
*Nature* **400**, 184 (1999)



- Global ATP consumption  $r=111s^{-1}$  (ATPase assays)
- Coupling parameter  $\ell = \frac{v}{r} \approx 0.97$  close to one (tightly coupled motors)

A.W.C. Lau et al., PRL **99**, 158102 (2007)

## Operational diagram of kinesin



Normalized variables

$$\widetilde{\Delta\mu} = k_B T \Delta\mu \quad f = \frac{F d}{k_B T}$$

### 4 regions of mechano-transduction :

A: excess ATP  $\rightarrow$  mechanical work

B: mechanical work  $\rightarrow$  ATP

C: excess ADP  $\rightarrow$  mechanical work

D: mechanical work  $\rightarrow$  ADP

$$f \bar{v} < 0 \quad \text{and} \quad r \Delta\mu > 0$$

$$f \bar{v} > 0 \quad \text{and} \quad r \Delta\mu < 0$$

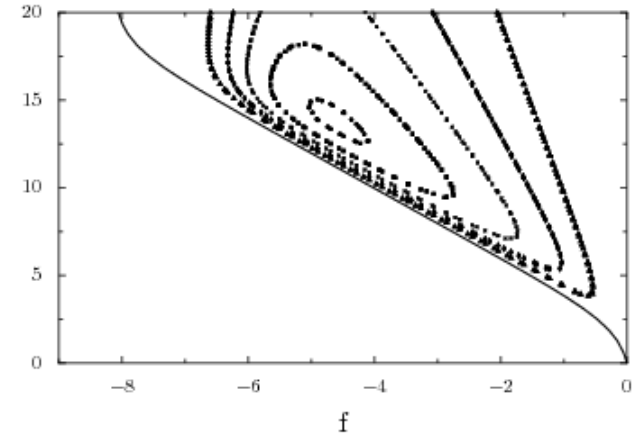
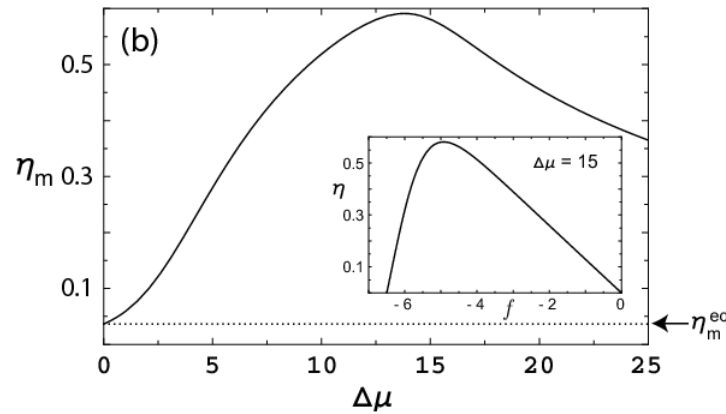
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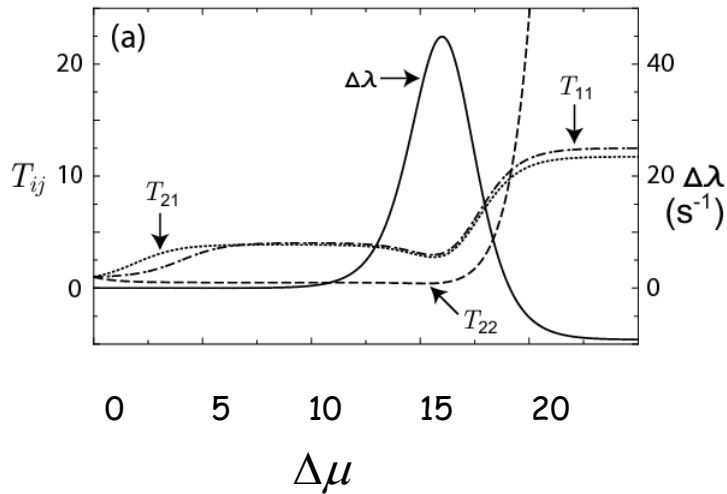
## Thermodynamic efficiency

Definition:

$$\eta = -\frac{f \bar{v}}{r \Delta \mu}$$



## Violation of Einstein-Onsager relations



Breaking of Onsager relation

$$\Delta \lambda = \lambda_{12} - \lambda_{21},$$

Breaking of Einstein relation

$$T_{ij} = \frac{D_{ij}}{\lambda_{ij}}$$

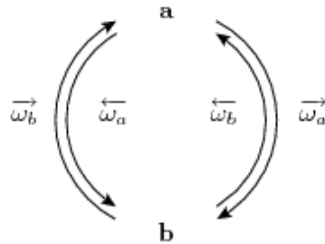
## Fluctuation relations

- Linear response theory
  - For systems close to equilibrium  
(Onsager-Einstein-FDT)
- Fluctuation relations
  - Beyond linear response
  - Arbitrarily far from equilibrium  
(Jarzynski, Crooks, Evans, Cohen, Galavotti, Kurchan, Lebowitz & Spohn, Sasa, Seifert, Gaspard)
- Applications to enzymes or nanomachines
  - Small size, small number of molecules involved, large fluctuations
  - Thermodynamic constraints  
(Seifert, Gaspard, Lipowsky)

General construction of cycles associated to currents for NESS

Case of a single cycle associated with the position variable  $n$  only

Thermodynamic force (affinity)



$$\frac{\Pi^+}{\Pi^-} = \frac{\overrightarrow{\omega_a} \overrightarrow{\omega_b}}{\overleftarrow{\omega_a} \overleftarrow{\omega_b}} = \frac{J^+}{J^-} = e^{-\Psi/2} \Leftrightarrow \Psi = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left( \frac{\overleftarrow{\omega_a} \overleftarrow{\omega_b}}{\overrightarrow{\omega_a} \overrightarrow{\omega_b}} \right)$$

$$\bar{v} = 2(J^+ - J^-) = 2 \frac{\overrightarrow{\omega_a} \overrightarrow{\omega_b} - \overleftarrow{\omega_a} \overleftarrow{\omega_b}}{\overrightarrow{\omega_a} + \overrightarrow{\omega_b} + \overleftarrow{\omega_a} + \overleftarrow{\omega_b}}$$

with previous rates :

$$\Psi = -f + f_{st}(\Delta\mu)$$

T. Hill, J. Schnakenberger (1976),  
D. Andrieux et al. (2004), U. Seifert (2005)

## Gallavotti-Cohen symmetry

Generating function of the currents  $F_n(\lambda, t) \equiv \sum_n e^{-\lambda n} P_i(n, t)$

evolves according to  $\partial_t F_i(\lambda, t) \equiv M_{ij} F_j(\lambda, t)$

$$M(\lambda) = \begin{pmatrix} -\overrightarrow{\omega}_a - \overleftarrow{\omega}_a & e^\lambda \overrightarrow{\omega}_b(\gamma) + e^{-\lambda} \overleftarrow{\omega}_b(\gamma) \\ e^\lambda \overleftarrow{\omega}_a(\gamma) + e^{-\lambda} \overrightarrow{\omega}_a(\gamma) & -\overrightarrow{\omega}_b - \overleftarrow{\omega}_b \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\langle e^{-\lambda n} \rangle = \sum_i F_i(\lambda, t) \sim \exp[\theta(\lambda)t] \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\overline{v} = \frac{\langle n \rangle}{t} = - \left. \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial \lambda} \right|_{\lambda=0, \gamma=0} \quad \text{and} \quad D = \left. \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 \theta}{\partial^2 \lambda} \right|_{\lambda=0}$$

Gallavotti-Cohen (GC) symmetry :  $\theta(-\Psi - \lambda) = \theta(\lambda)$

## Large-deviation function of the current

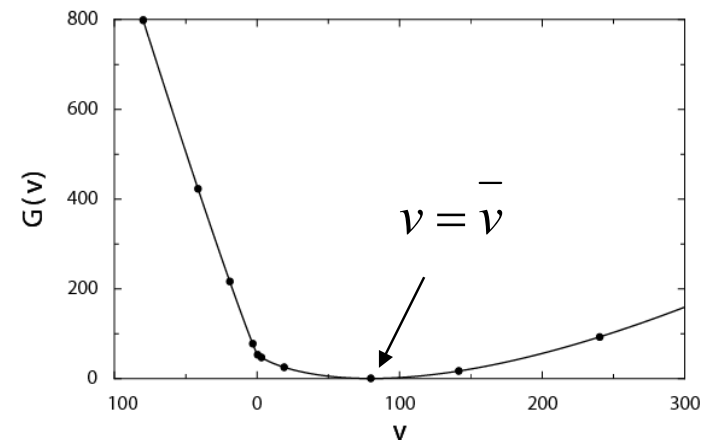
$$P\left(\frac{n}{t} = v\right) \sim \exp[-G(v)t]$$

(for large time  $t$ )

$$\theta(\lambda) = \max_v [-G(v) - \lambda v]$$

Legendre transform of the maximal eigenvalue

Exact analytical expression for  $G(v)$



One remarkable fact :

$$G(v) - G(-v) = \Psi v$$

Fluctuation relations for currents (on long times)

$$1) \quad \theta(\lambda) = \theta(-\Psi - \lambda)$$

$$2) \quad \frac{P\left(\frac{n}{t} = v\right)}{P\left(\frac{n}{t} = -v\right)} = e^{-\Psi vt}$$

$$3) \quad G(v) - G(-v) = \Psi v$$

Average entropy production rate  $\Pi_s = -\Psi \bar{v}$

→ The GC symmetry is a macroscopic consequence of the reversibility of the microscopic dynamics of the physical model

D. L., A. Lau, K. Mallick, PRE **78**, 011915 (2008)

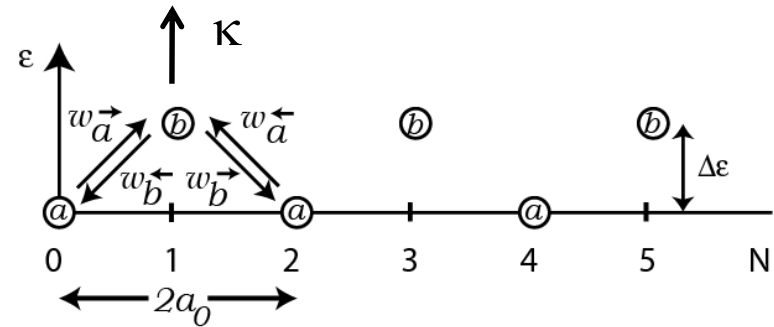


## Modelling processivity

- With an absorbing state (C)

$$F(\lambda, t) = Ae^{\mu_1 t} |\mu_1\rangle + Be^{\mu_2 t} |\mu_2\rangle + C|c\rangle$$

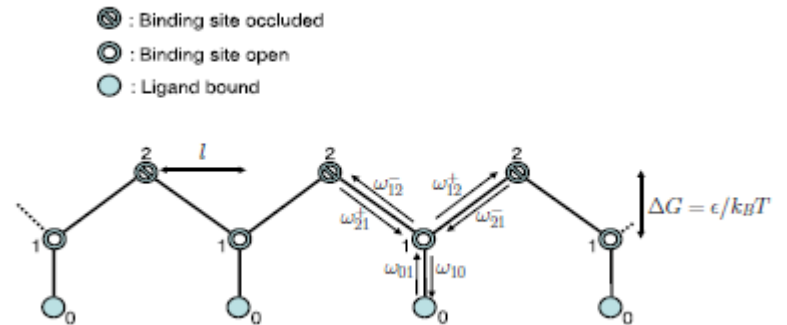
$$\langle n \rangle = -\frac{\partial C}{\partial \lambda} \Big|_{\lambda=0} = 2 \frac{\overrightarrow{\omega_a} \overleftarrow{\omega_b} - \overleftarrow{\omega_a} \overrightarrow{\omega_b}}{\kappa(\overrightarrow{\omega_a} + \overleftarrow{\omega_a})} = \frac{\bar{v}}{\kappa P_b}$$



run length

- With a third state (non absorbing)

Nucleosome sliding under a force :  
PRE 79, 031922 (2009)



An absorbing state breaks the time reversal symmetry and thus the GC symmetry

## Mechano-chemical coupling

Microscopic level :

Steady state balance condition :

$$P_b^{eq} \overset{\rightarrow -l}{\omega}_b = P_a^{eq} e^{(\theta_a^- + \theta_b^+) f - l \Delta \mu}$$

$$\ln\left(\frac{\overset{\rightarrow -l}{\omega}_b}{\overset{\leftarrow -l}{\omega}_a}\right) = \varepsilon - l \Delta \mu + (\theta_a^- + \theta_b^+) f$$

Heat exchanged

Internal energy

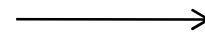
Mechanical work

Macroscopic level

GC symmetry

$$\Lambda(f - \lambda, \Delta \mu - \gamma) = \Lambda(\lambda, \gamma)$$

Stochastic thermodynamics :  
First law at the level of single trajectory

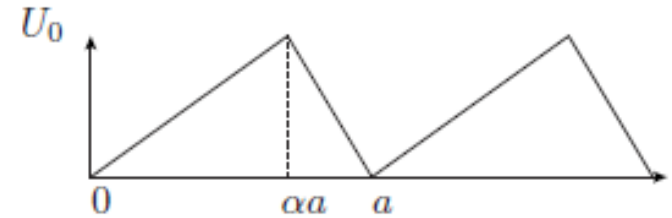


GC symmetry

## The purely mechanical ratchet

Random walker in a periodic potential  $U(x)$

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial t} = D_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[ \frac{\partial P}{\partial x} + \frac{U'(x) - F}{k_B T} P \right]$$



Generating function

$$F_\lambda(\xi, t) = \sum_n \exp(\lambda(\xi + n)) P((\xi + n)a, t) \quad \text{obeys} \quad \frac{\partial F_\lambda(\xi, t)}{\partial t} = L(\lambda) F_\lambda(\xi, t)$$

Conjugation property

$$e^{U(x)/k_B T} L(\lambda) \left( e^{-U(x)/k_B T} \phi \right) = L^\dagger(-f - \lambda) \phi \quad \text{with} \quad f = \frac{Fa}{k_B T}$$

$$\text{Gallavotti-Cohen symmetry} \quad \theta(\lambda) = \theta(-f - \lambda)$$

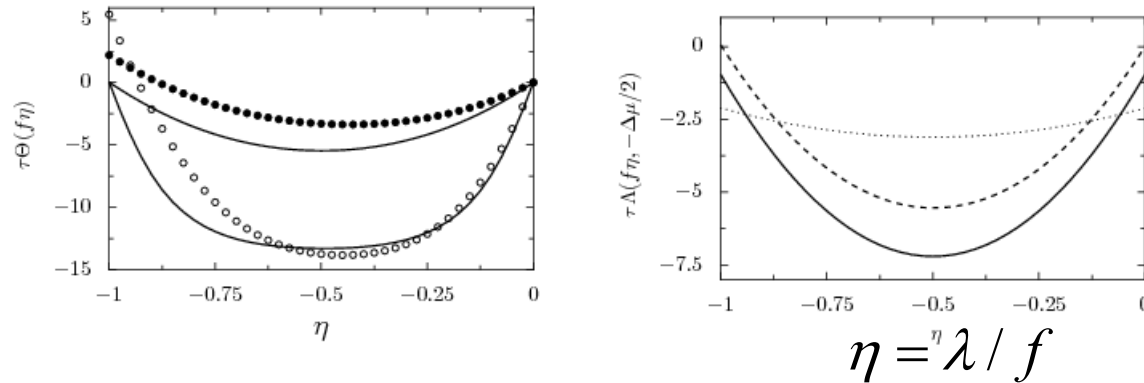
J. Kurchan, J. Phys. A **31**, 3719 (1998),  
 J. L. Lebowitz and H. Spohn, J. Stat. Phys. **95**, 333 (1999)

## The flashing ratchet

Generating function  $F_{i,\lambda,\gamma}(\xi, t) = \sum e^{\gamma q} e^{\lambda(\xi+n)} P_i(a(\xi+n, q, t))$   
 evolves according to  $\partial_t F_{i,\lambda,\gamma}(t) \equiv \sum_j M_{ij}(\lambda, \gamma) F_{j,\lambda,\gamma}(t)$

$$QM^\dagger(f - \lambda, \Delta\mu - \gamma)Q^{-1} = M(\lambda, \gamma) \quad \text{with} \quad Q = \begin{pmatrix} e^{-\phi} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-\phi_2} \end{pmatrix}$$

GC symmetry  $\Lambda(f - \lambda, \Delta\mu - \gamma) = \Lambda(\lambda, \gamma)$  but in general  $\theta(f - \lambda) \neq \theta(\lambda)$



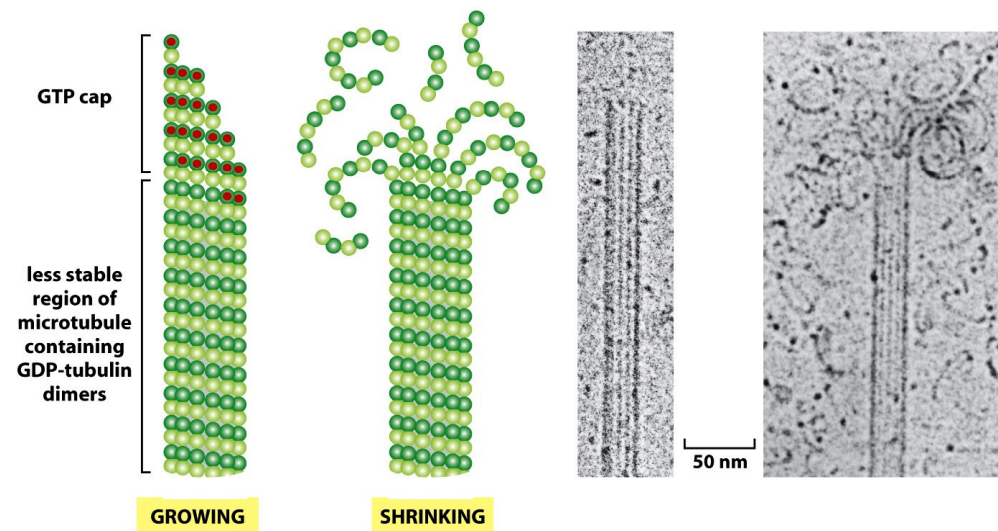
## Conclusion of Part I

- Dynamics of a molecular motor can be described by an effective potential  $U_{\text{eff}}(x,y)$  (egg-carton like)
- Flashing ratchet model satisfies the *GC* symmetry provided all degrees of freedom are included.
- Fluctuations relations for molecular motors need to be tested experimentally !

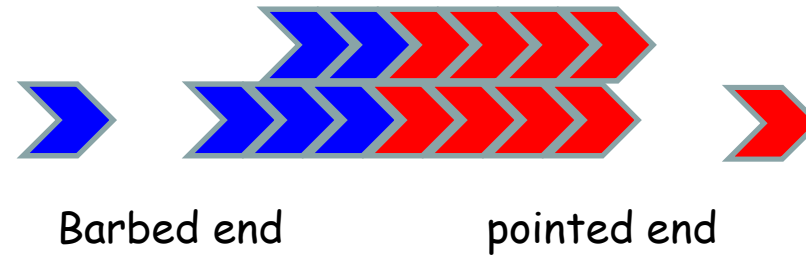
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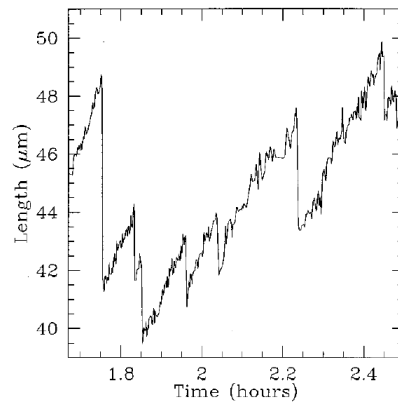
## II. Non-equilibrium self-assembly of a single filament coupled to ATP/GTP hydrolysis



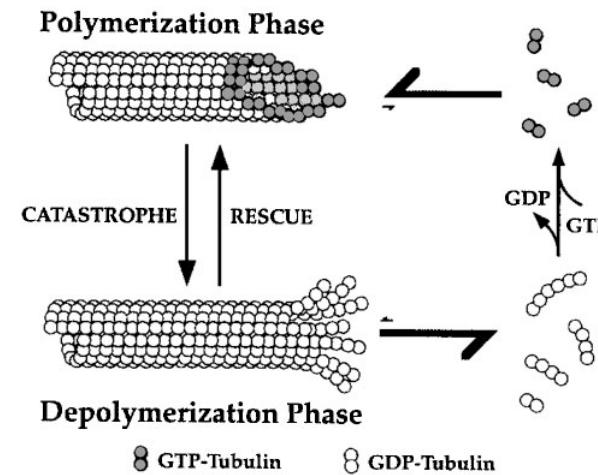
## Thread-milling of actin



## Dynamic instability of microtubules



D. Fygenson et al. (1994)



A. Desai et al. (1997)

*A single filament of actin or microtubule  
coupled to ATP/GTP hydrolysis*

- Protofilament structure is neglected
- Assume a reservoir of ATP-actin monomers
- Growth occurs from one end only (the barbed end for actin)
- Neglect some reaction intermediates (ex: ADP-Pi-actin)



- Vectorial model of hydrolysis



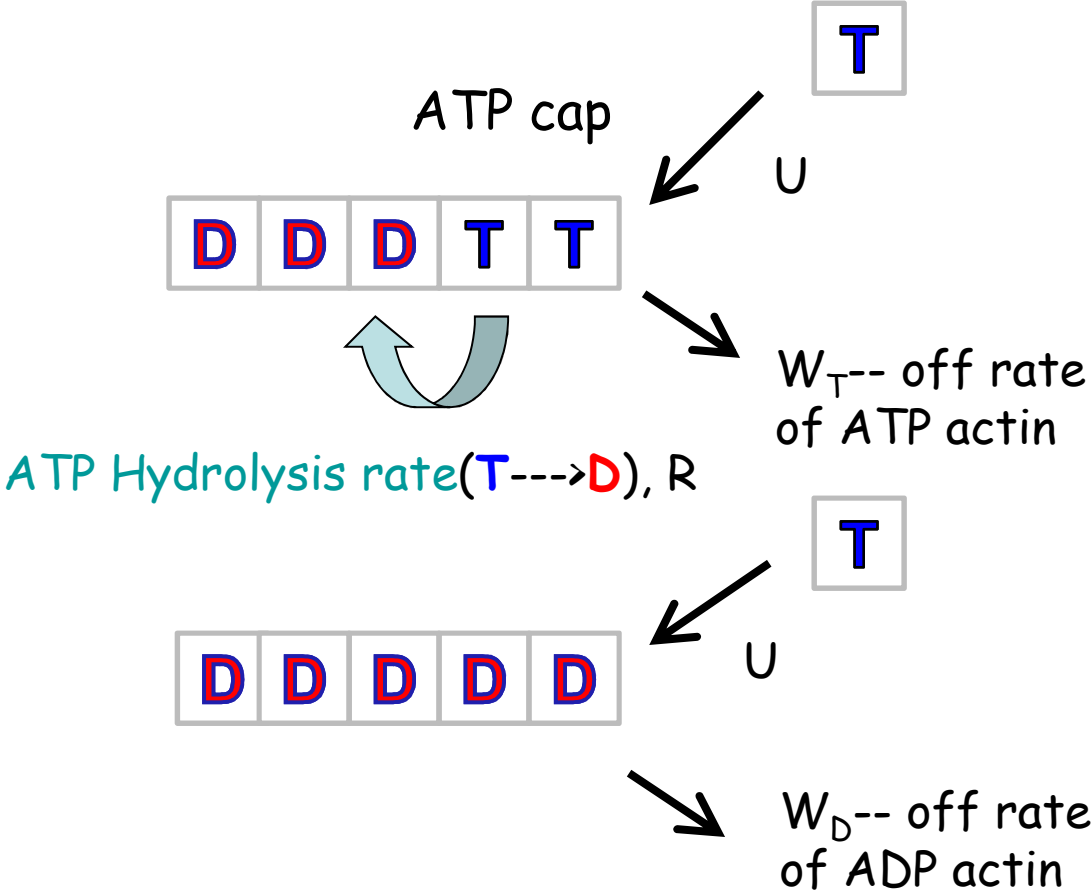
Stukalin et al. (2006)  
Hill et al. (1985)

- Random model of hydrolysis

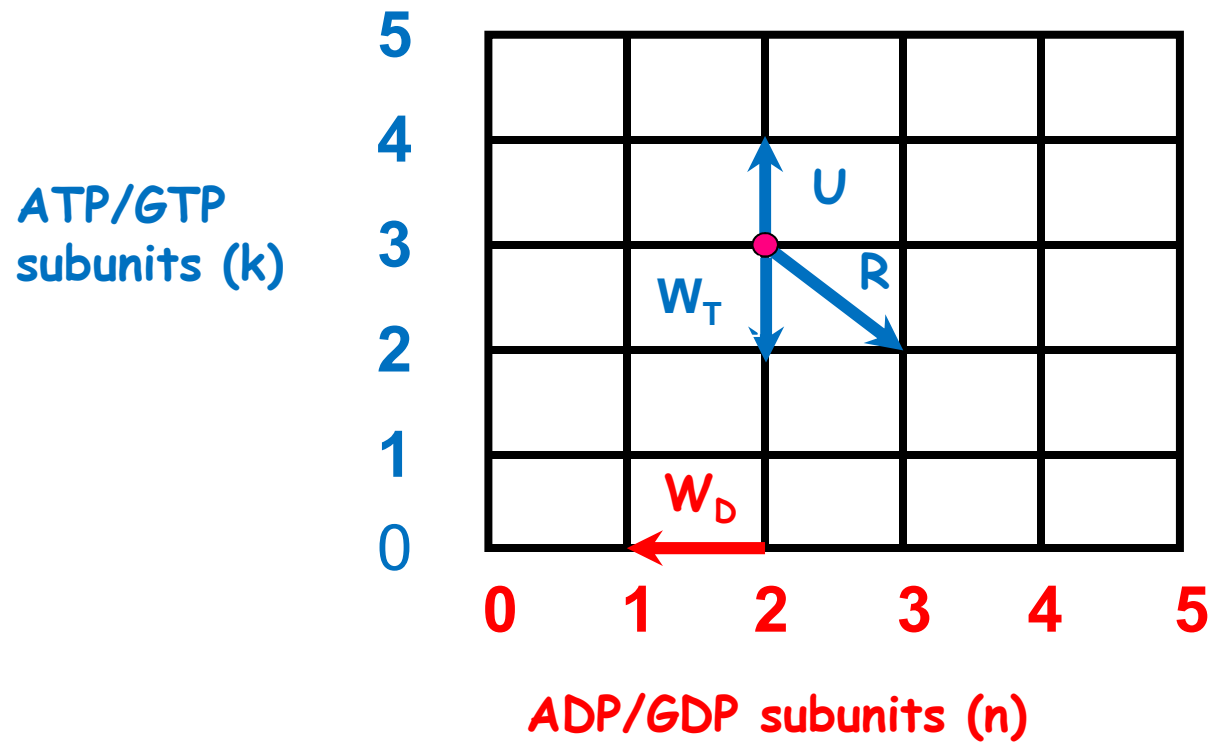
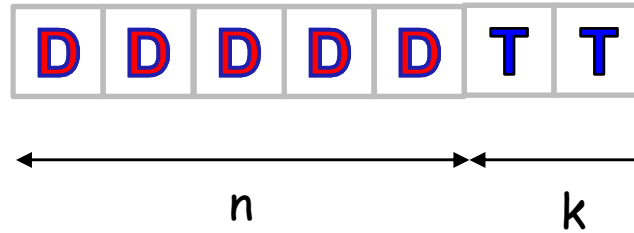


T. Antal et al. (2007)  
H. Flyvberg et al. (1996)

A simple 4 parameters model



## A 2D biased random walk



## Dynamics of the model

For  $k > 0$

$$\frac{dP(n,k)}{dt} = UP(n,k-1) + W_T P(n,k+1) + RP(n-1,k+1) - (U + W_T + R)P(n,k)$$

For  $k=0$  and  $n > 0$

$$\frac{dP(n,0)}{dt} = W_D P(n+1,0) + W_T P(n,1) + RP(n-1,1) - (U + W_D)P(n,0)$$

For  $n=0$  and  $k=0$

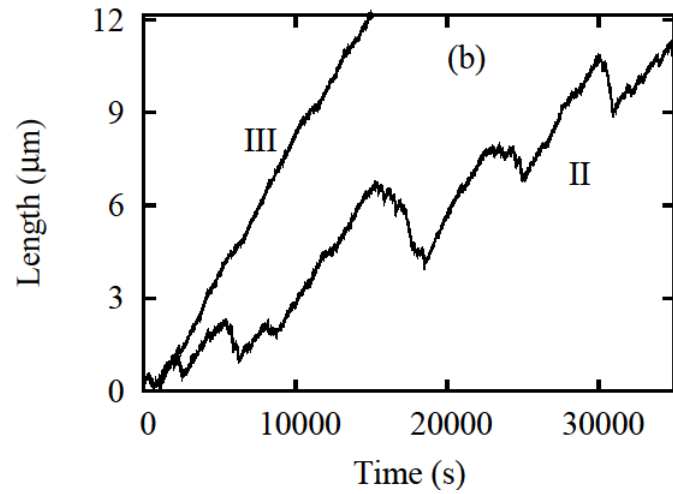
$$\frac{dP(0,0)}{dt} = W_T P(0,1) + W_D P(1,0) - UP(0,0)$$

Filament

$$v = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{d\langle l \rangle}{dt}, \quad D = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \left( \langle l^2 \rangle - \langle l \rangle^2 \right), \quad l = n + k,$$

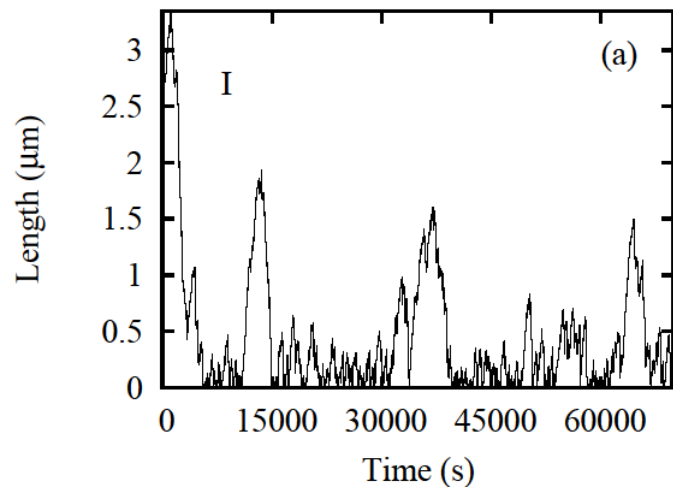
Cap

$$J = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{d\langle k \rangle}{dt}, \quad D_C = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \left( \langle k^2 \rangle - \langle k \rangle^2 \right),$$

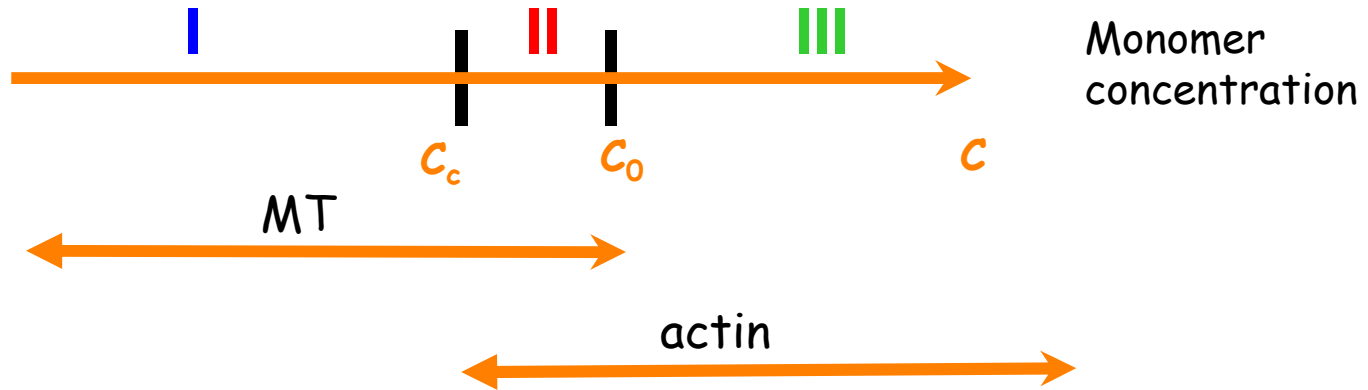


II: Phase of unbounded growth with a bounded cap

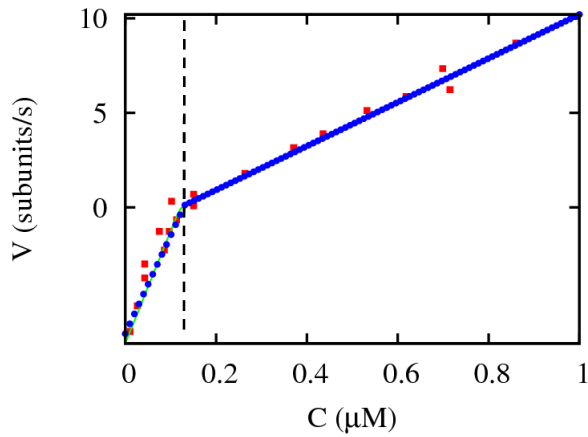
III: phase of unbounded growth with an unbounded cap



I: phase of bounded growth (both for the filament and the cap)

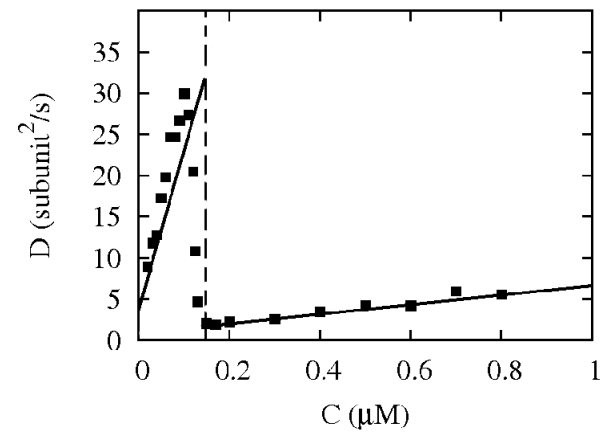


### Filament velocity



MF. Carlier et al. (1986)

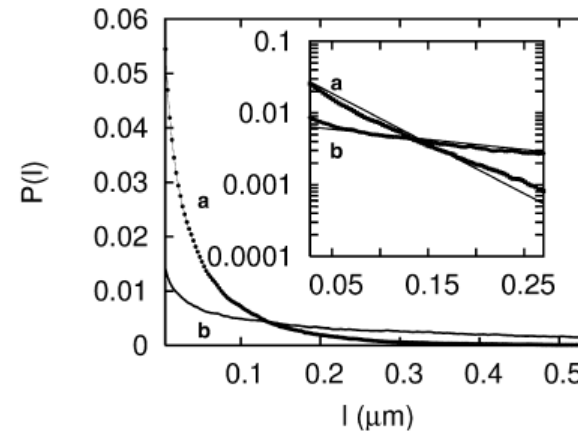
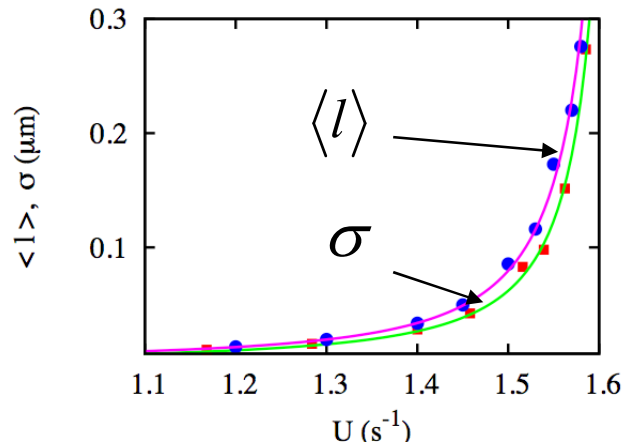
### Length Fluctuations



Fujiwara et al. (2002), Pollard et al. (2005)

$$D(c \approx c_c) \approx 30 \text{ monomers}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$$

Large fluctuations of phase I :  $\langle l \rangle \approx \sigma = \sqrt{\langle l^2 \rangle - \langle l \rangle^2}$



- Average length  $\langle l \rangle = -\frac{A(R, W_T, W_D, U)}{v} d^2$  with  $v < 0$

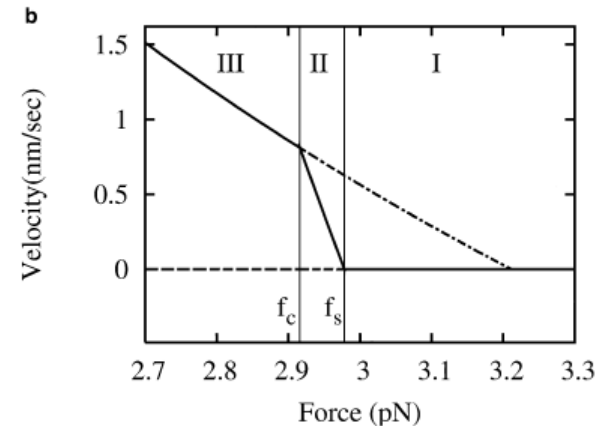
The distribution of  $l$  is known and is quasi-exponential

- Near transition to phase II,  $\langle l \rangle = -\frac{D}{v} = \frac{Ud}{W_T - U}$  diverges.
- Phase I is stationary :  $v_I = D_I = 0$

## Effect of an applied force on polymerization

$$U = k_0 C \exp\left(-\frac{fd}{k_B T}\right)$$

Reduction of stalling force  
due to hydrolysis

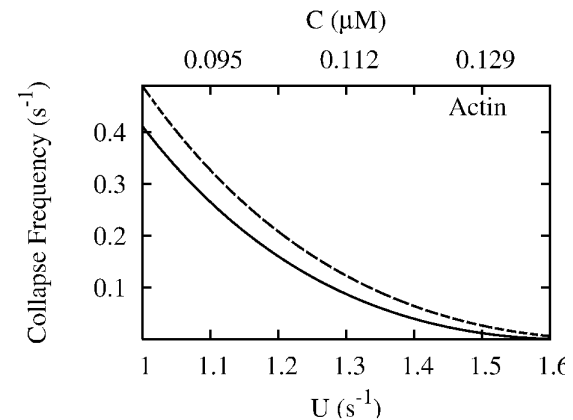


## Characteristic times of dynamic instability

First passage time for

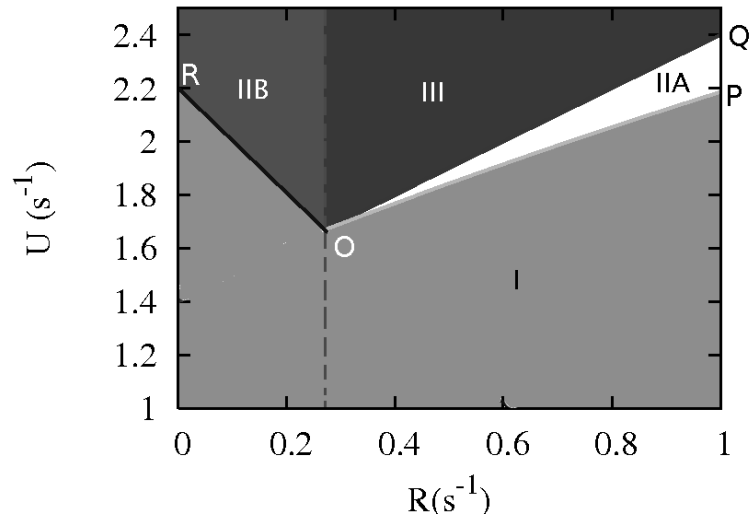
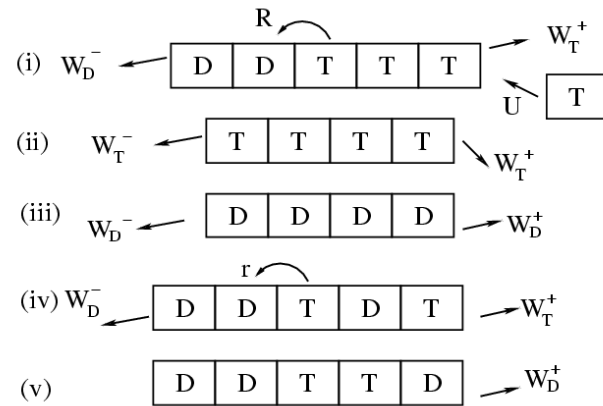
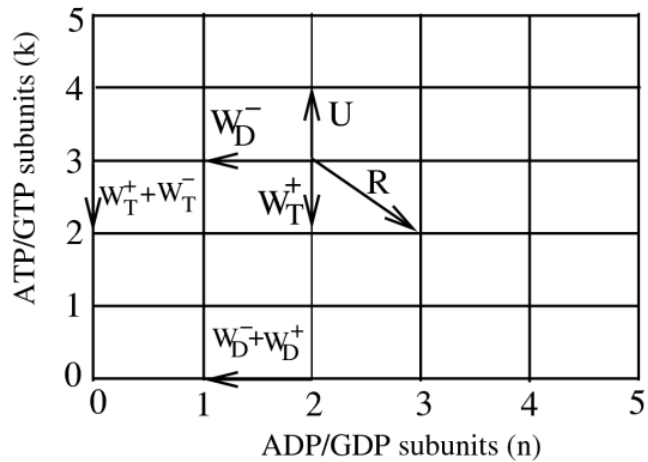
-disparition of the cap

-complete depolymerization



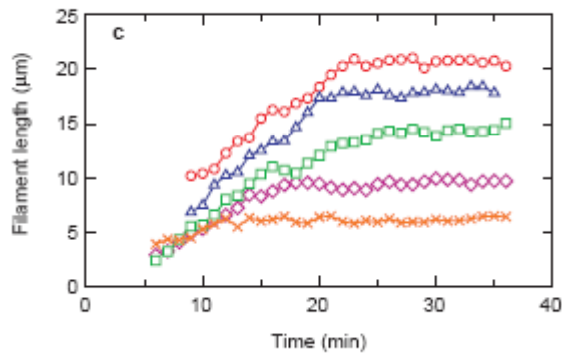


## Extension of the model to include two active ends

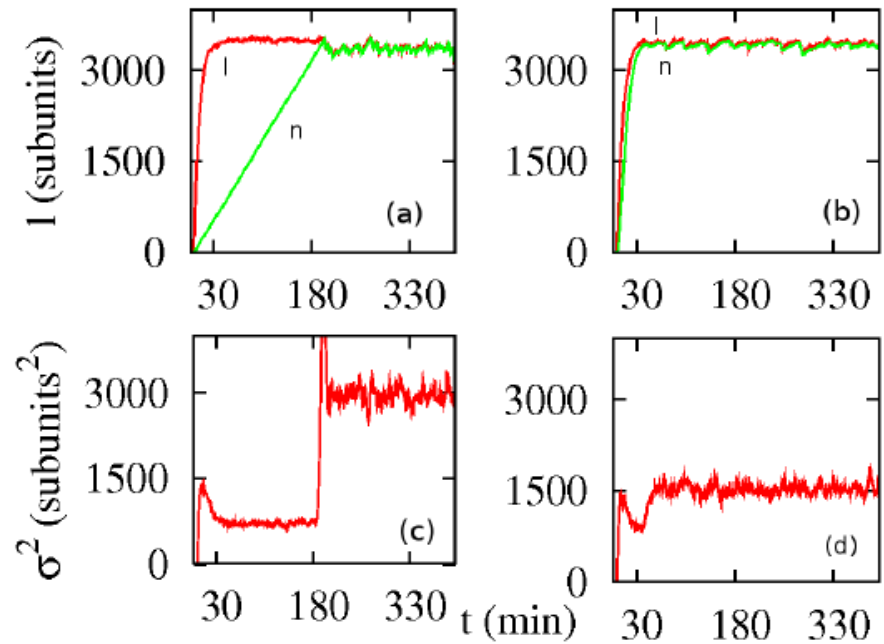


Hydrolysis rate (vectorial model)

## Hydrolysis of ATP: a vectorial or random process ?



Fujiwara et al. (2002)



vectorial

random

## Conclusion of part II

- ATP/GTP hydrolysis enhances the length fluctuations of actin filaments and is responsible for the dynamic instability of microtubules.
- Steady state measurements can not distinguish the mechanism of hydrolysis but dynamic measurements can.

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