

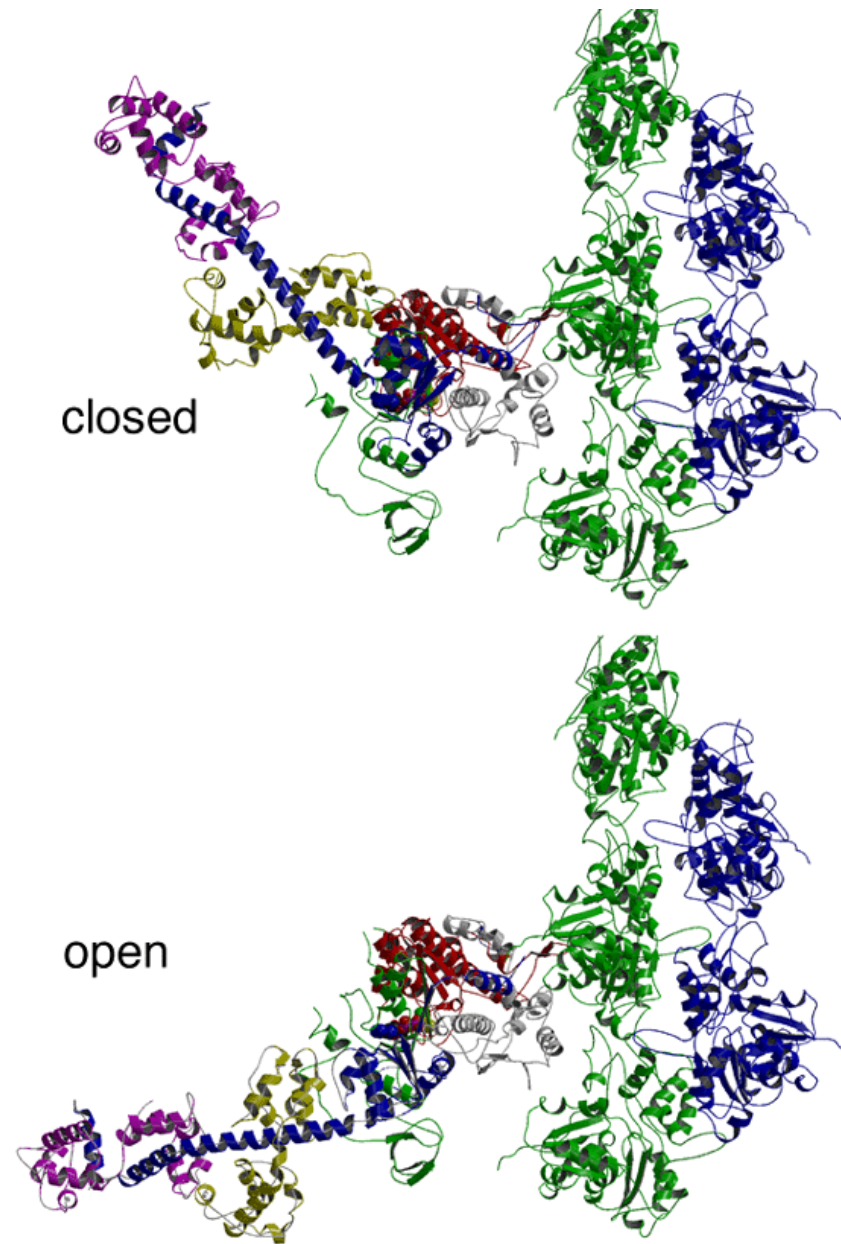
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**Maxwell's demons, protein
molecular machines, and
information processing in
biophysics**

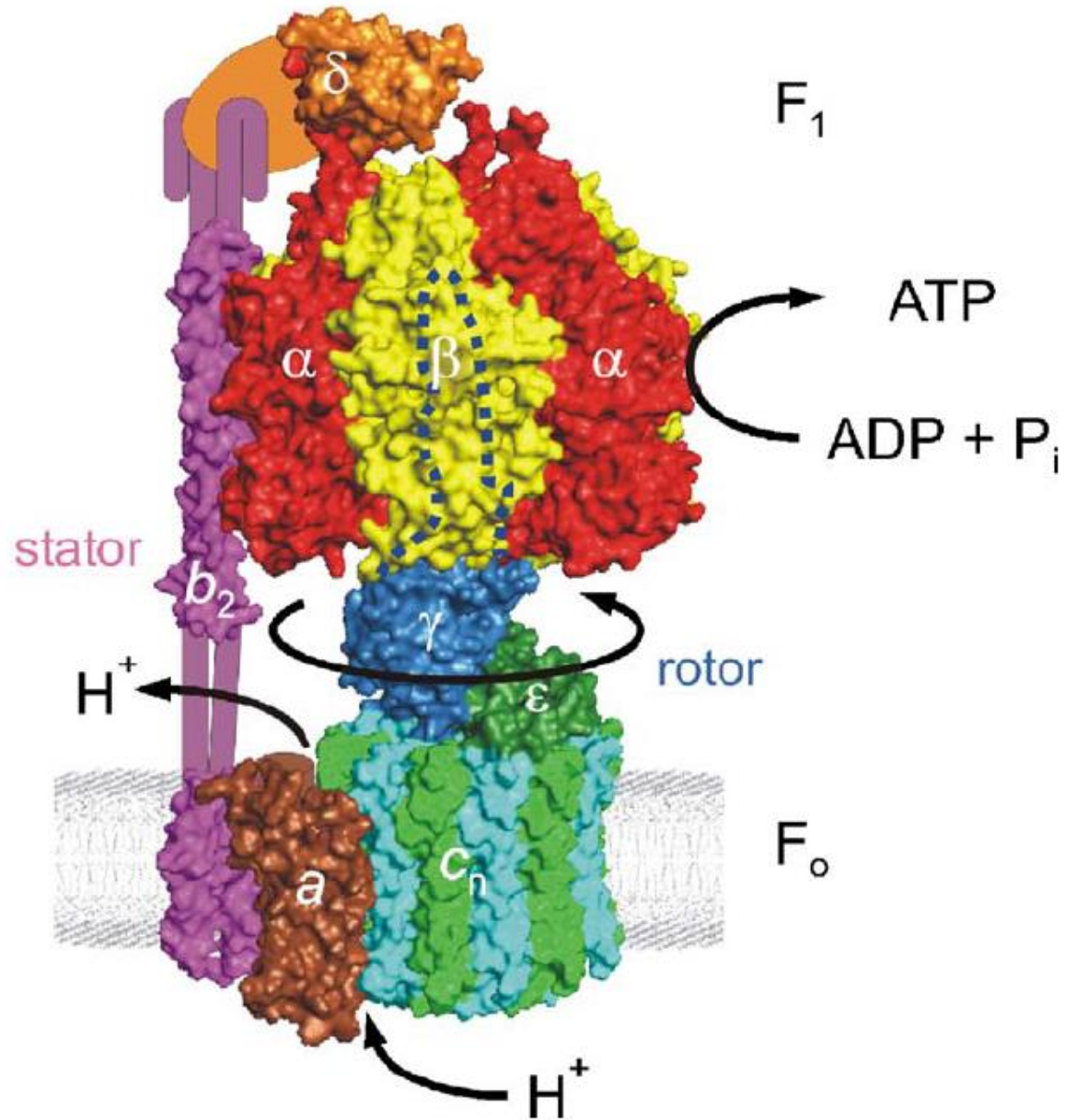
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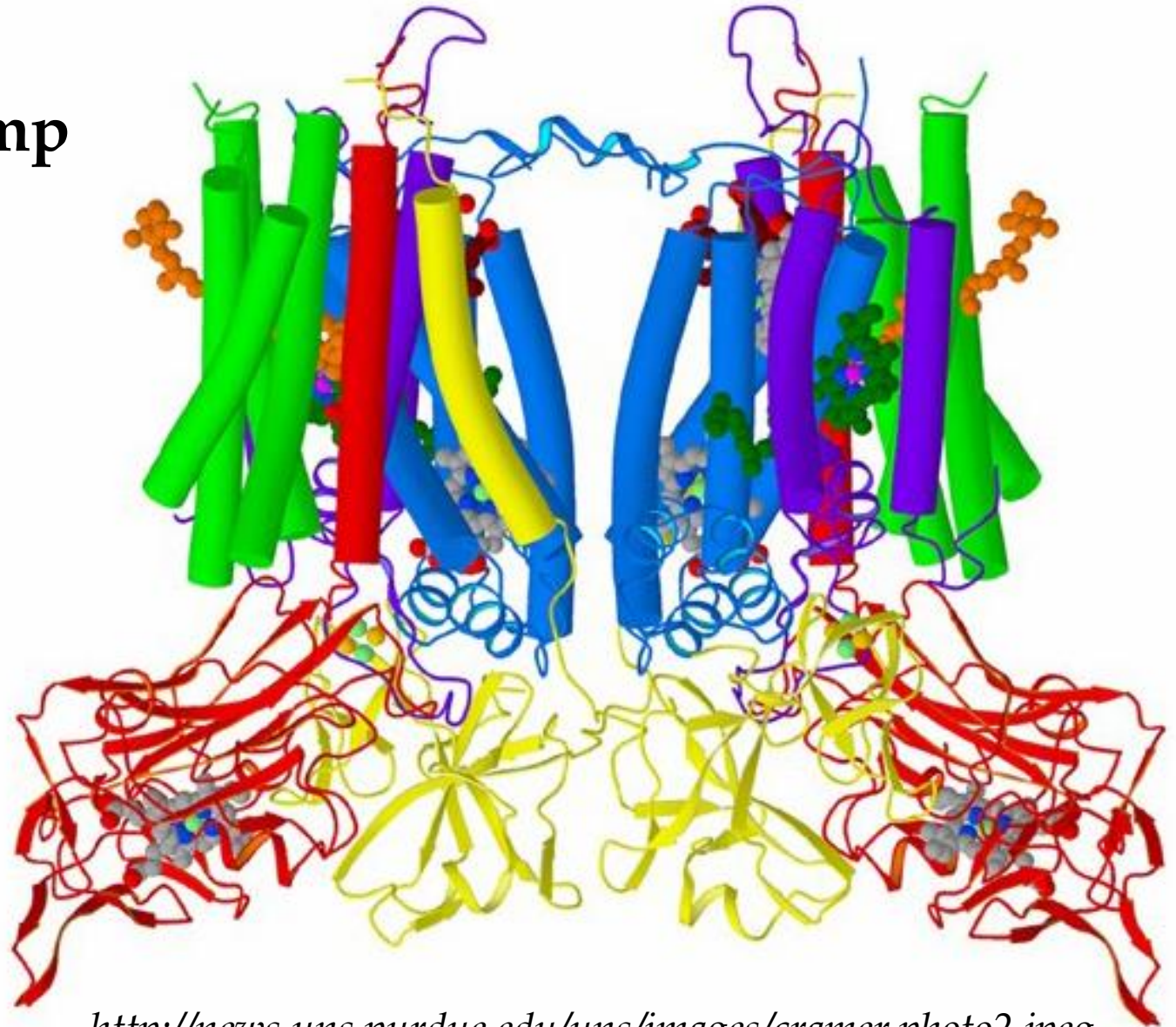
Acto-myosin motor



ATP synthase



Quinol : cytochrome c
synthase
Proton pump



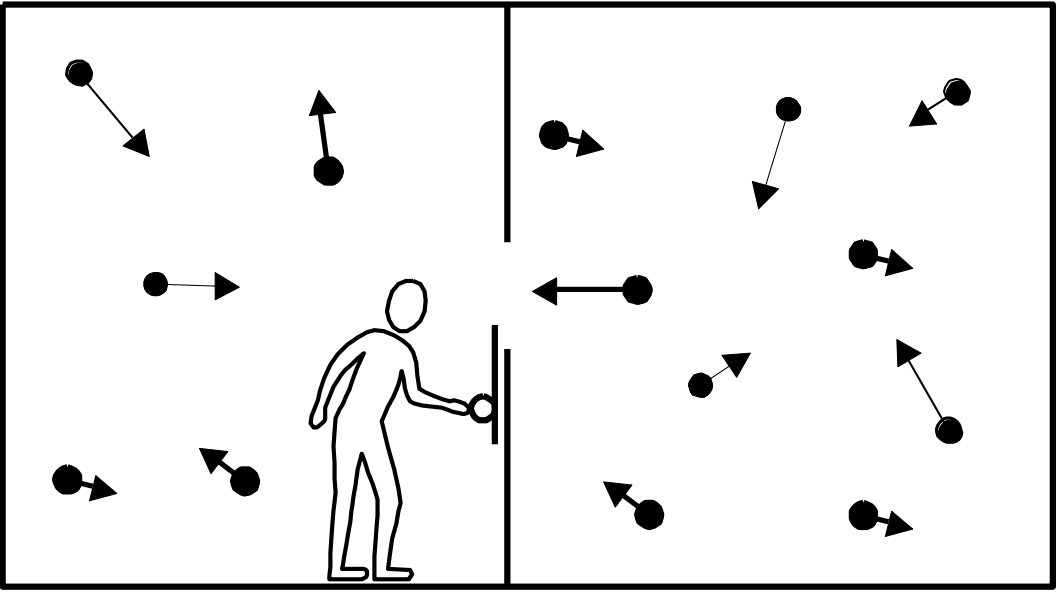
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Machine: any physical system that enables two other systems to perform work on one another

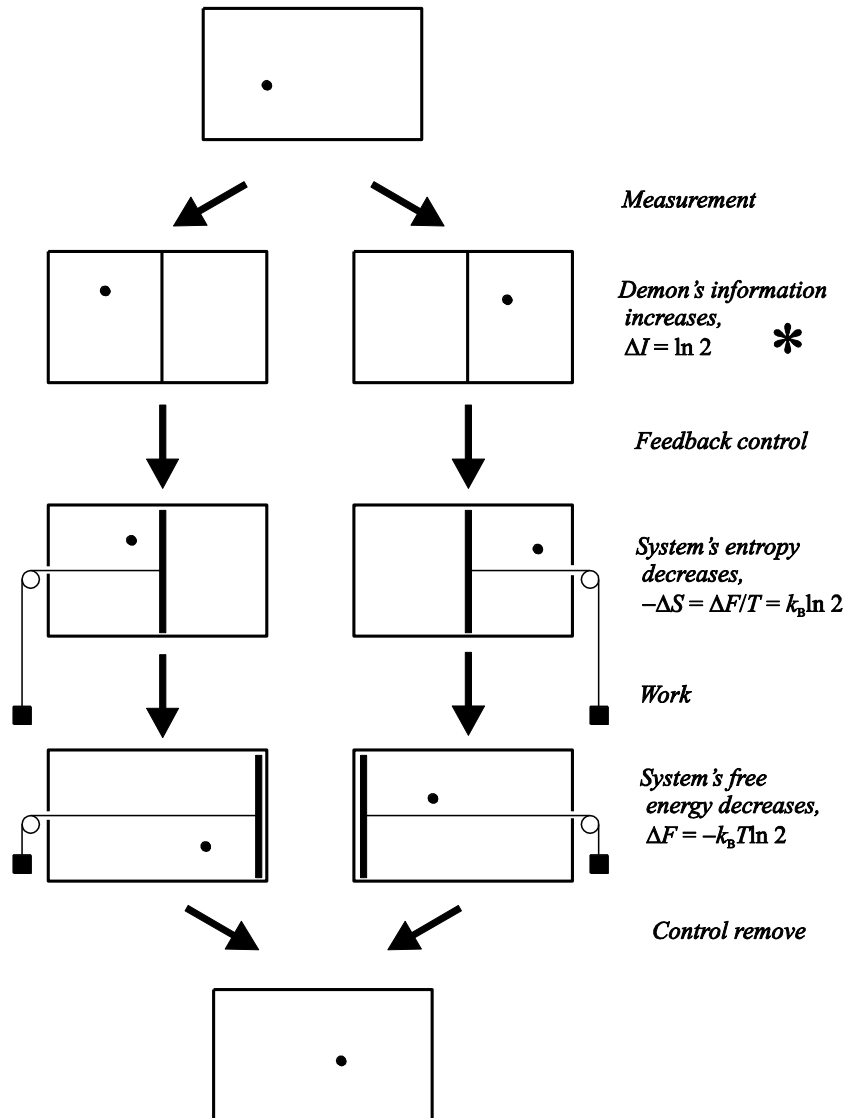
Molecular machines, like chemical reactions and Darwinian evolution, act due to **thermal fluctuations**

Maxwell's demon

Maxwell, 1871



Szilard engine with information processing

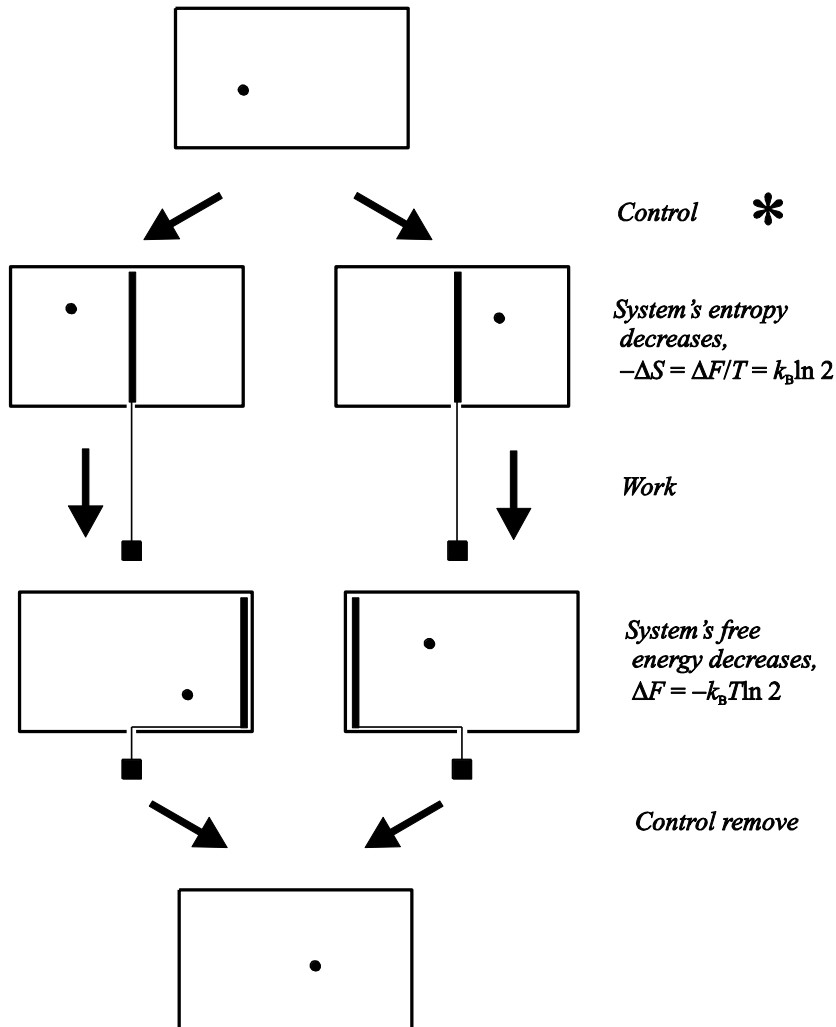


- Szilard, 1929
- Brillouin, 1956
- Landauer, 1961
- Penrose, 1970
- Bennett, 1982
- Sagawa, Ueda, 2010

isothermal gas
decompression
 $\Delta E = \Delta F + T\Delta S$
 $= W + Q = 0$
 no dissipation

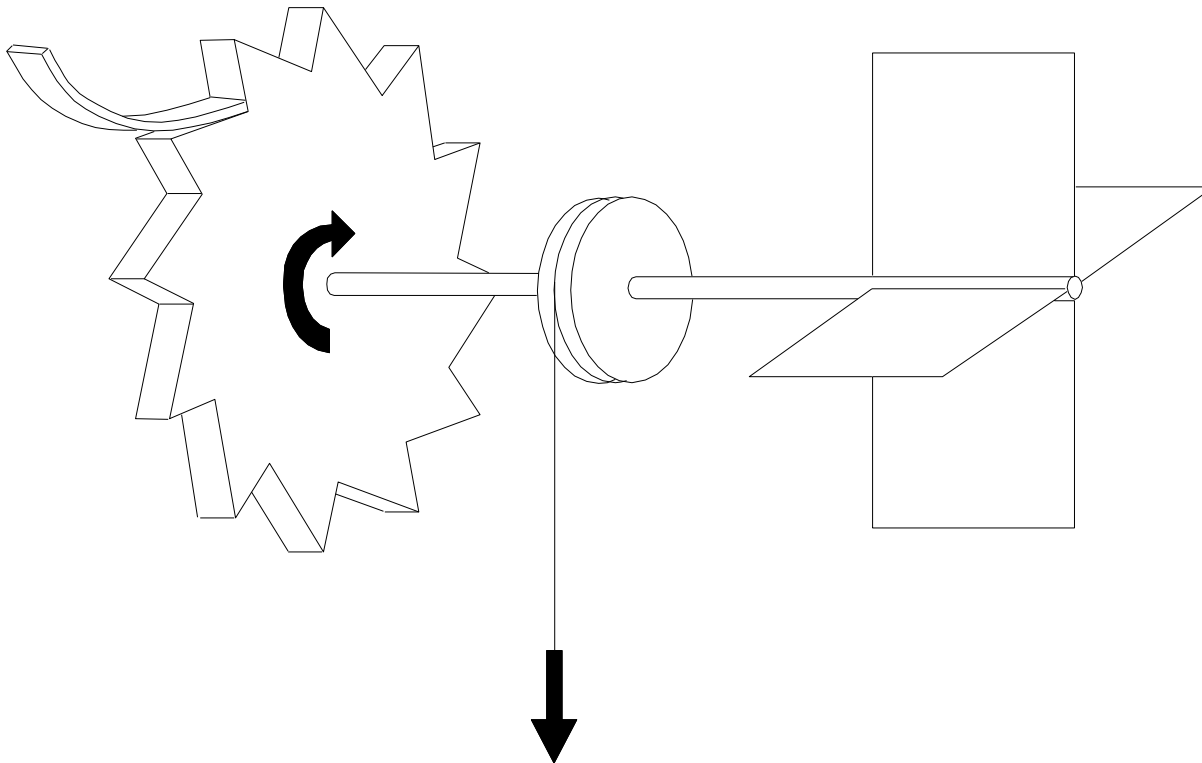
Szilard engine without information processing

- Popper, Feyerabend, 1966
- Alicki, 2014



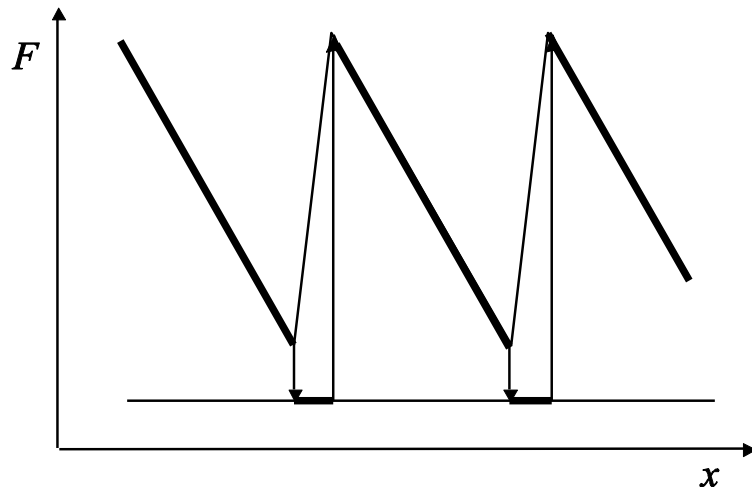
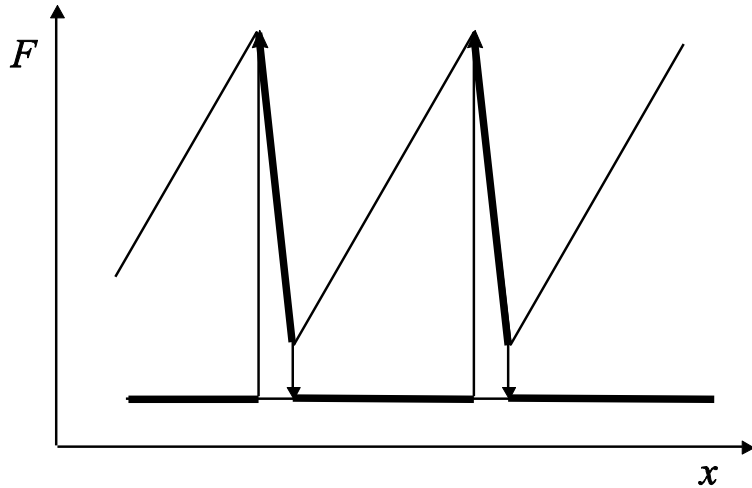
Ratchet and pawl machine

- *Smoluchowski, 1912*
- *Feynman, 1966*



Flashing ratchet

Random versus
controlled transitions



- *A. F. Huxley, 1957, 1971*
- *Cordova, Ermentrout, Oster, 1992*
- *Astumian, Bier, 1994*
- *Prost, Chauwin, Peliti, Ajdari, 1994*
- *Cao, Dinis, Parrondo, 2004*
- *Howard, 2001, 2006*

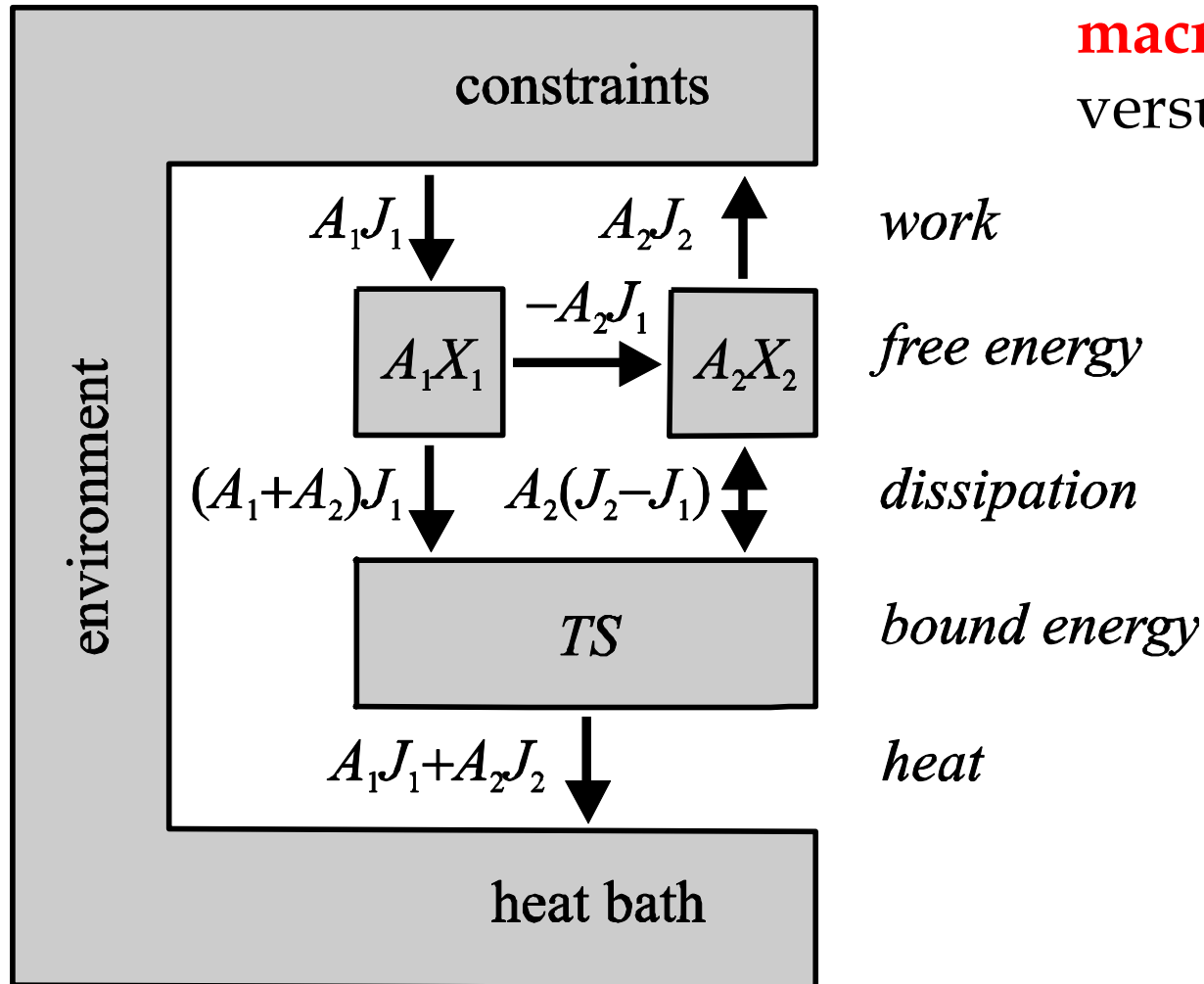
Brownian ratchet

Power stroke

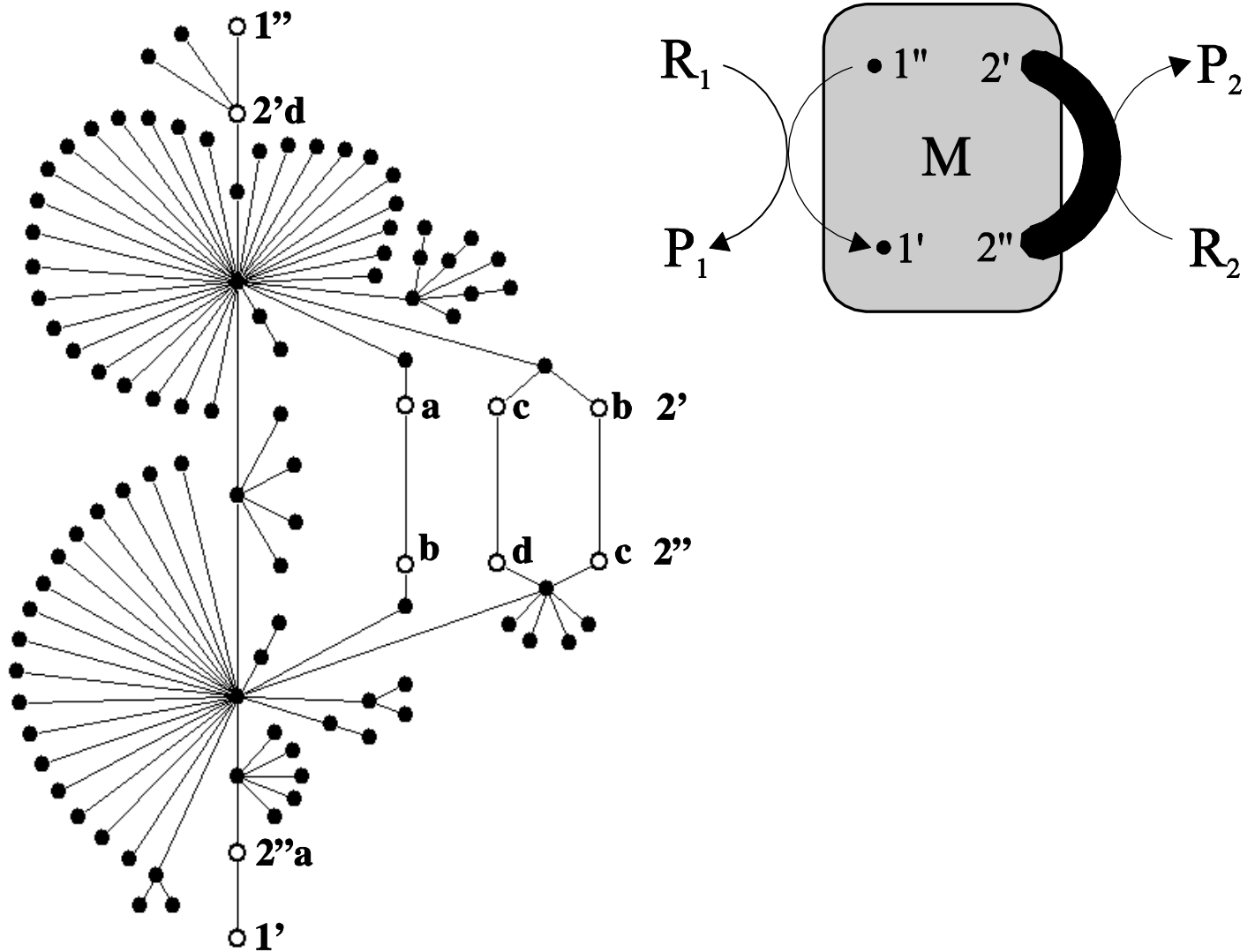
Friction (**energy dissipation**)
is necessary for any machine
to be controlled

Stationary isothermal machine (free energy transducer)

macroscopic
versus **nanoscopic**



Biological chemo-chemical machine



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Output-input ratio in thermally fluctuating biomolecular machines

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SOFTWARE

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RaTrav: a tool for calculating mean first-passage times on biochemical networks

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Peptide β 3s

20 residues

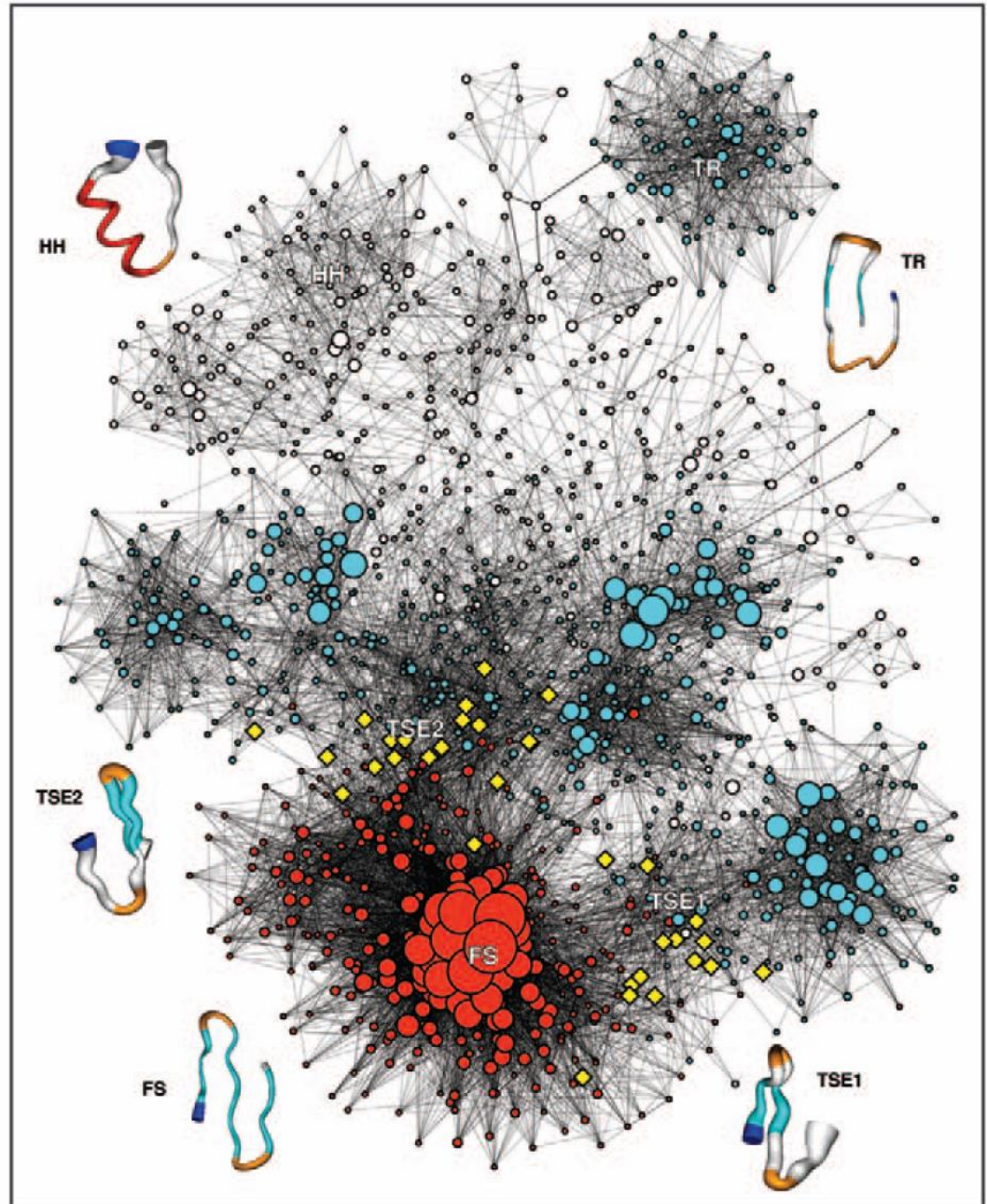
1 μ s MD trajectory
at 330 K (melt. temp.)

HH - helical

TR - trap

TSE - trans. state

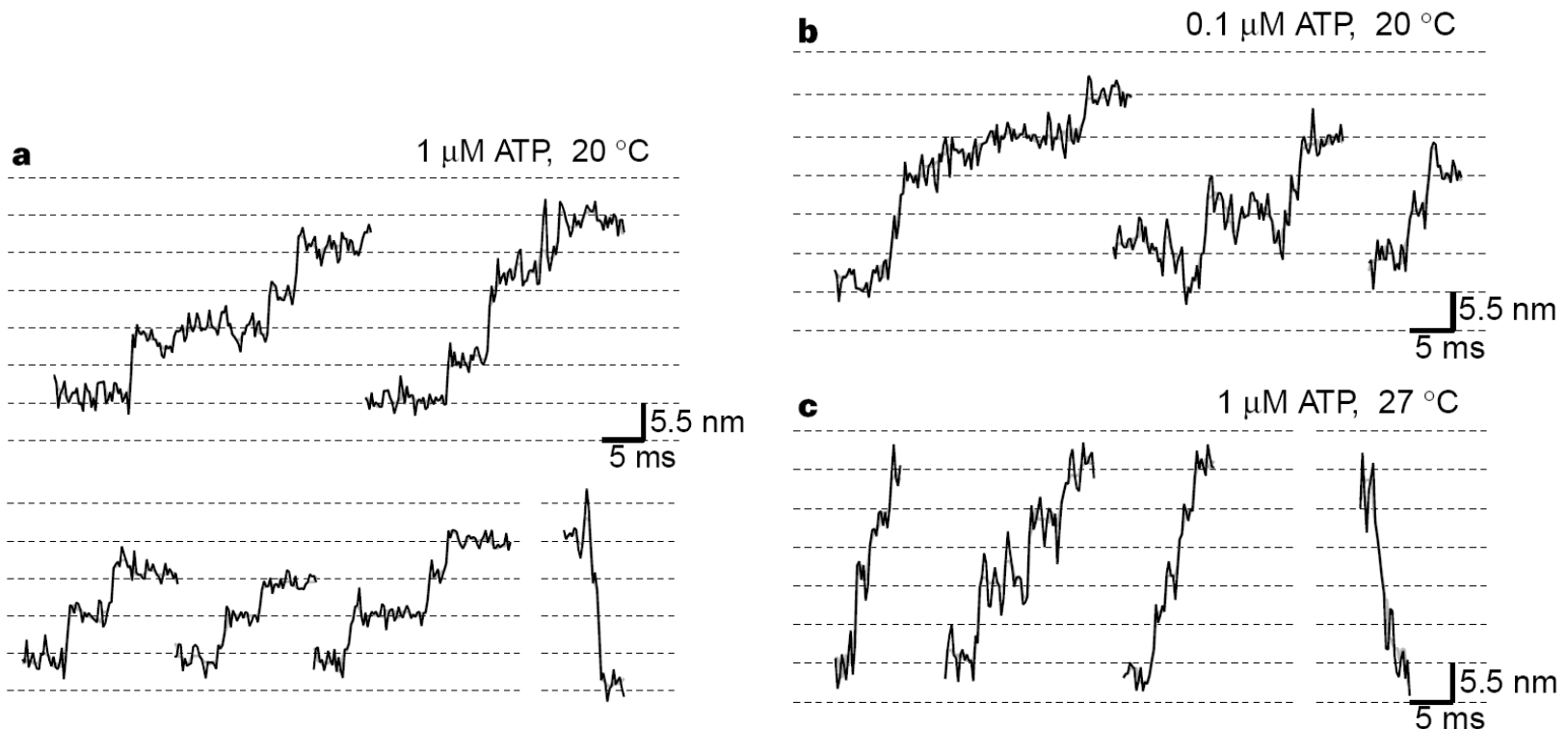
FS - folded state



Rao, Caflisch (2004)

Can the value of $\epsilon = J_2/J_1$ be higher than unity?

Number of actomyosin motor steps per ATP molecule hydrolyzed



Kitamura, Tokunaga, Iwane, Yanagida, 1999

Fluctuation theorem

Jarzynski, 1997

Crooks, 1999

Searles, Evans, 1999

Andrieux, Gaspard, 2007

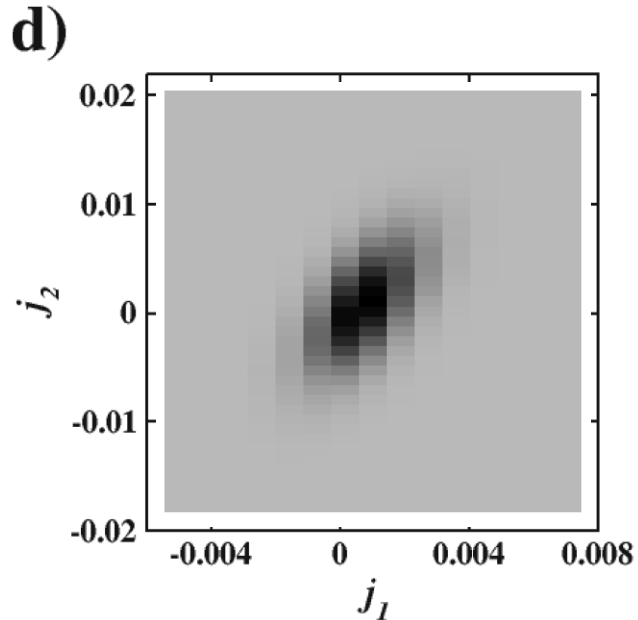
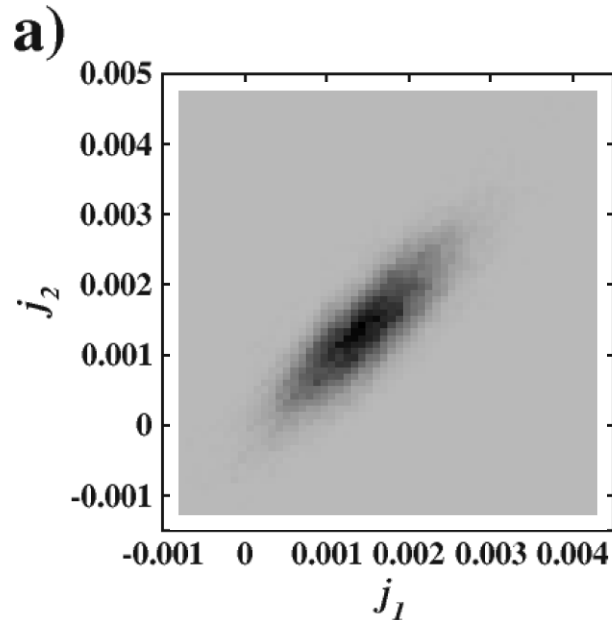
Sagawa, Ueda, 2010

$$p(j_1(t), j_2(t))/p(-j_1(t), -j_2(t)) = \exp \beta [A_1 j_1(t) + A_2 j_2(t)] t$$

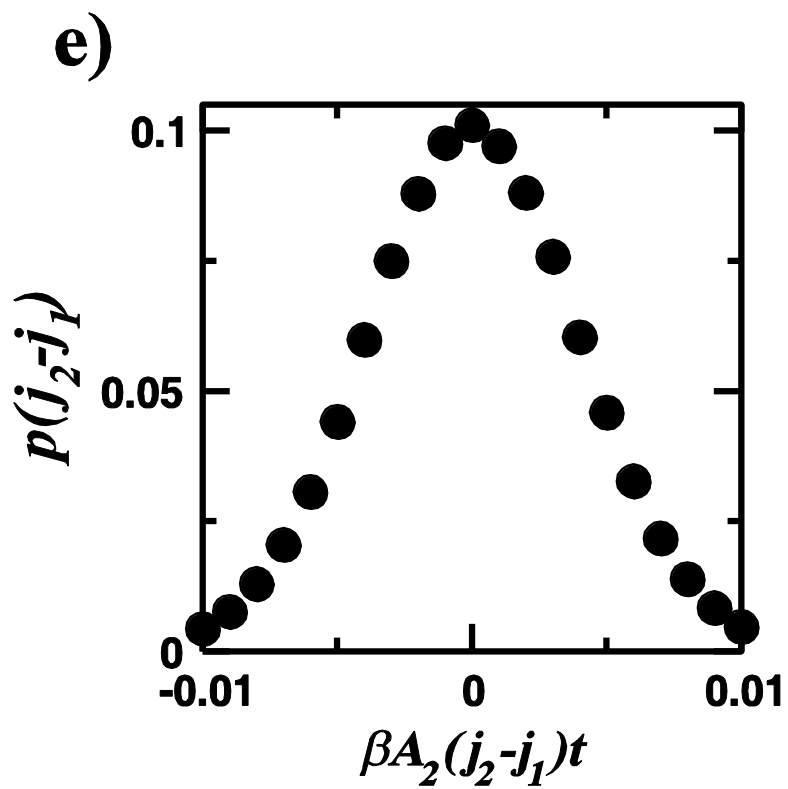
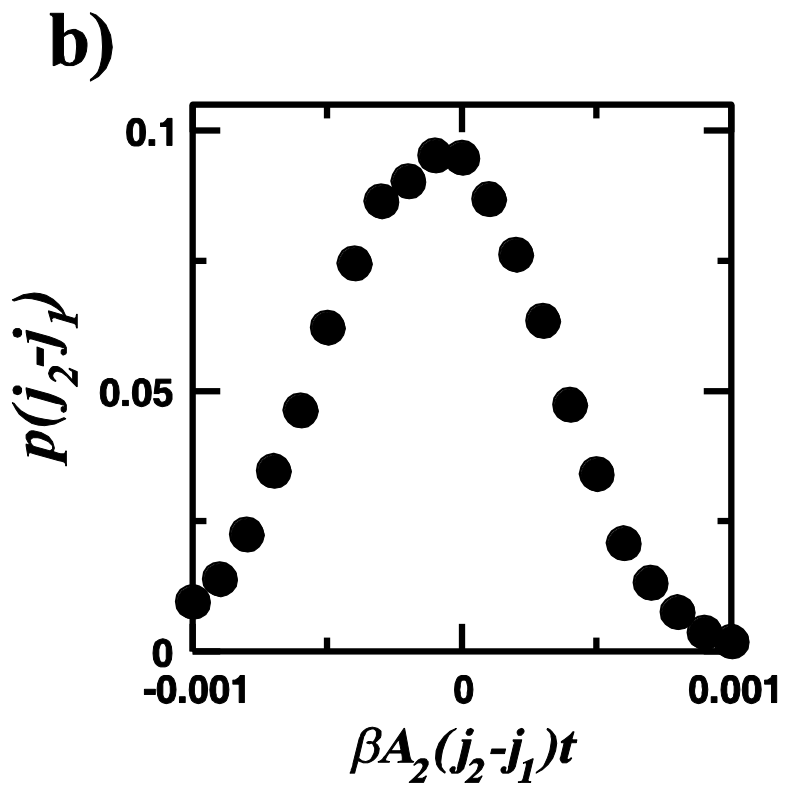
$$\langle \exp(-\sum_i \beta A_i \mathcal{J}_i(t)t) \rangle = \langle \exp(-\sigma) \rangle = 1$$

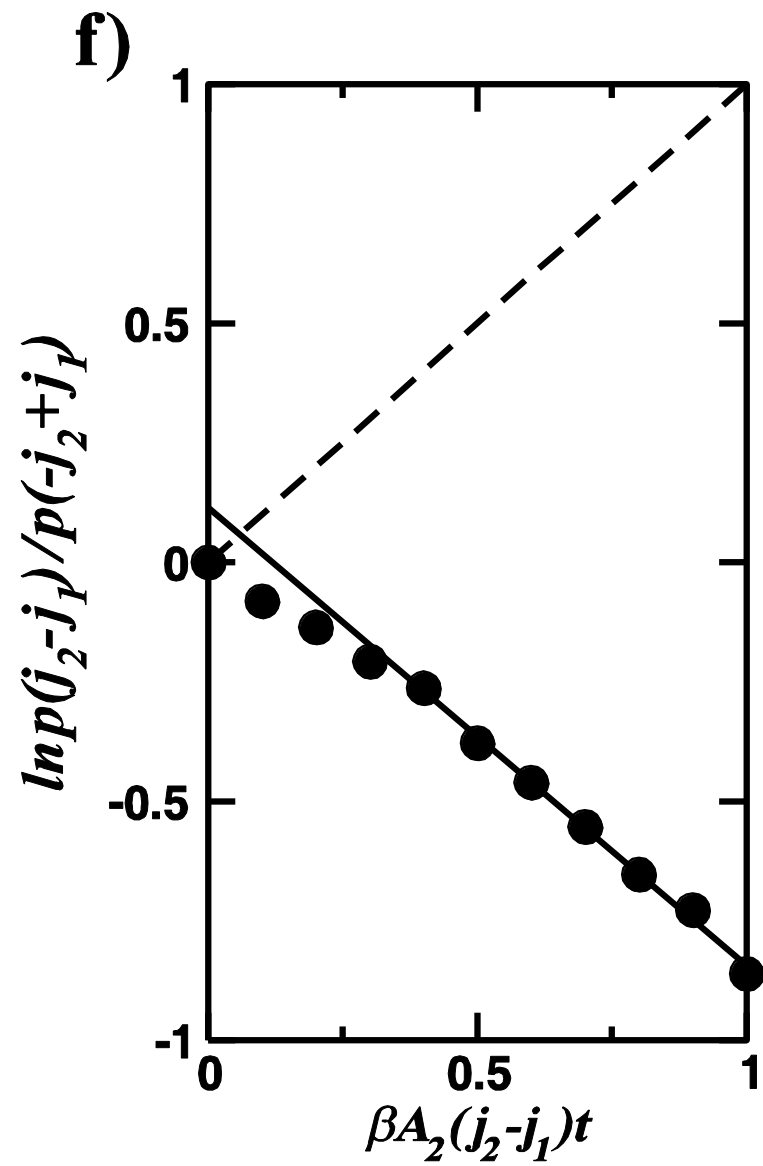
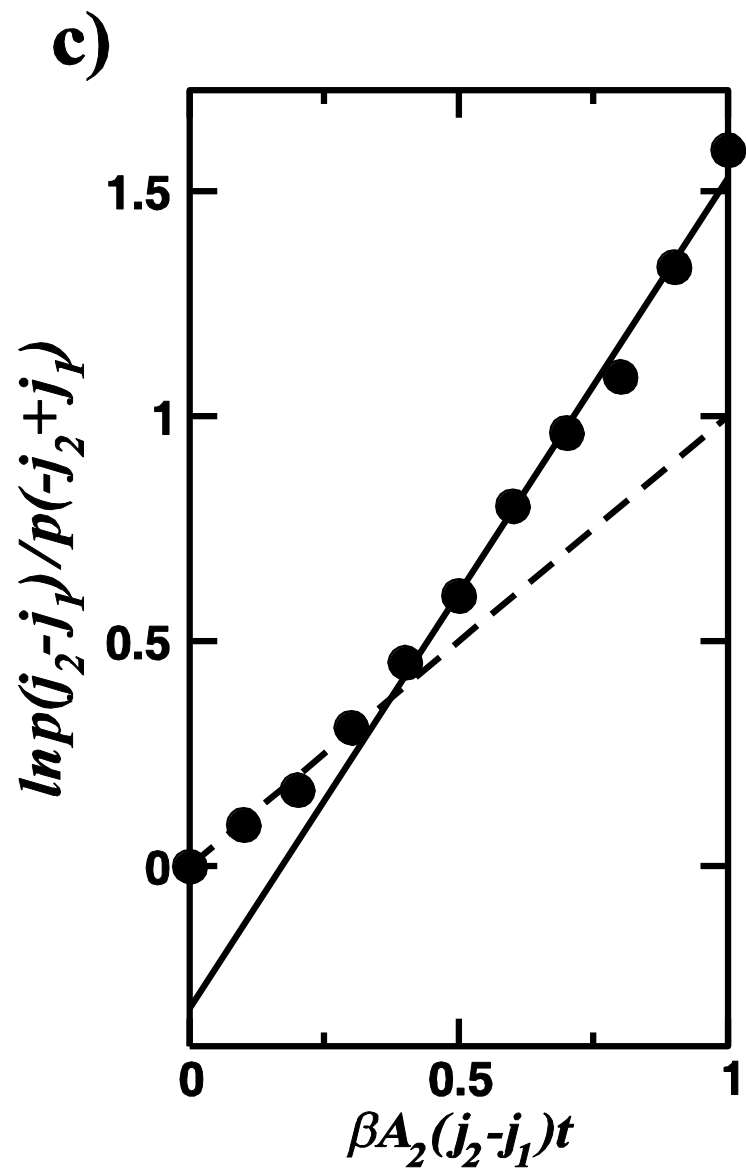
$$\begin{aligned} \ln p(j_2 - j_1)/p(-j_2 + j_1) &= \beta A_2(j_2 - j_1)t \\ &+ \beta(A_1 + A_2)j_1 t + \ln p(-j_1 | -j_1 + j_2)/p(j_1 | j_1 - j_2) \end{aligned}$$

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

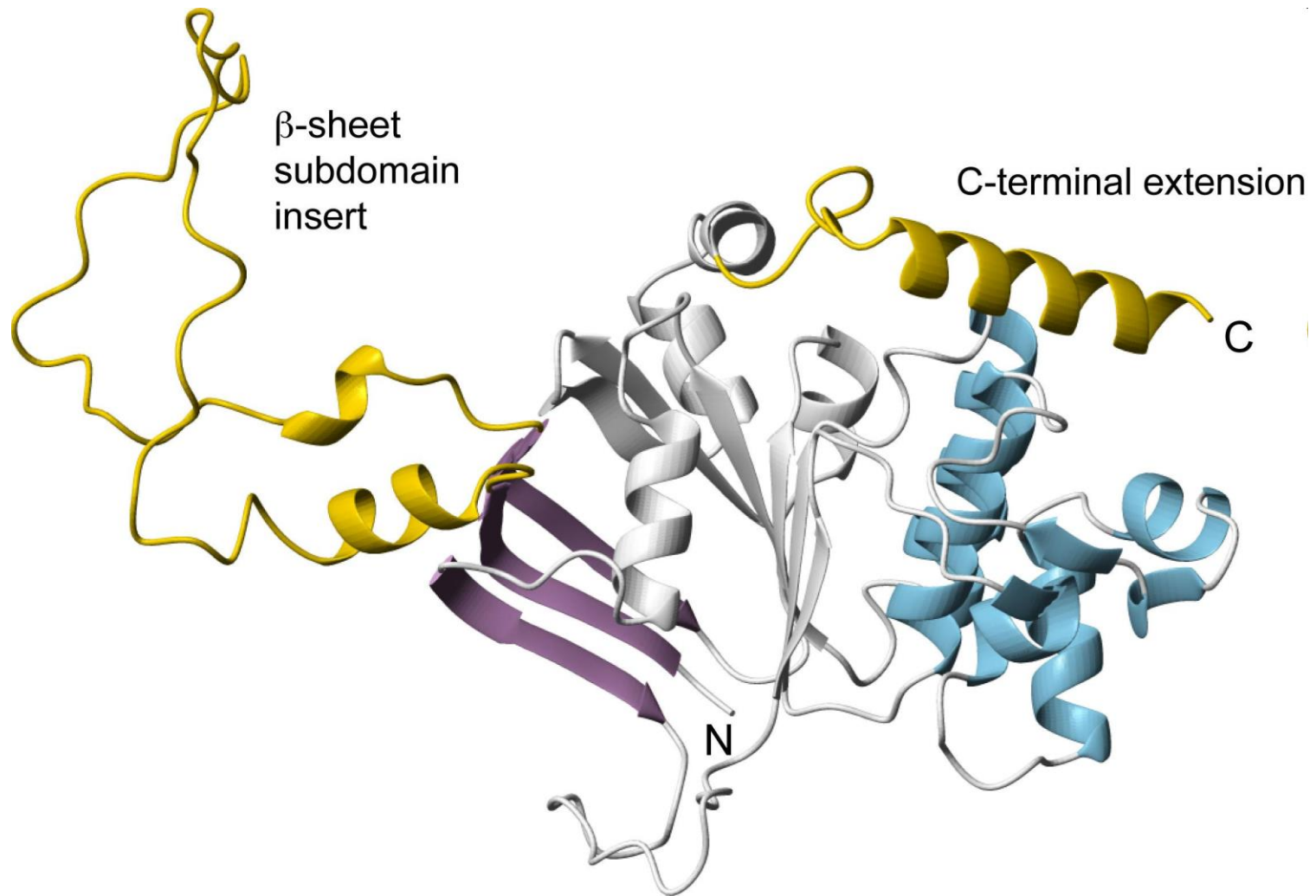


- The fluctuation theorem for (j_1, j_2) is satisfied
- Degree of coupling higher than unity, $J_2 > J_1$, is possible
- For $J_2 - J_1$, the generalized fluctuation theorem is satisfied





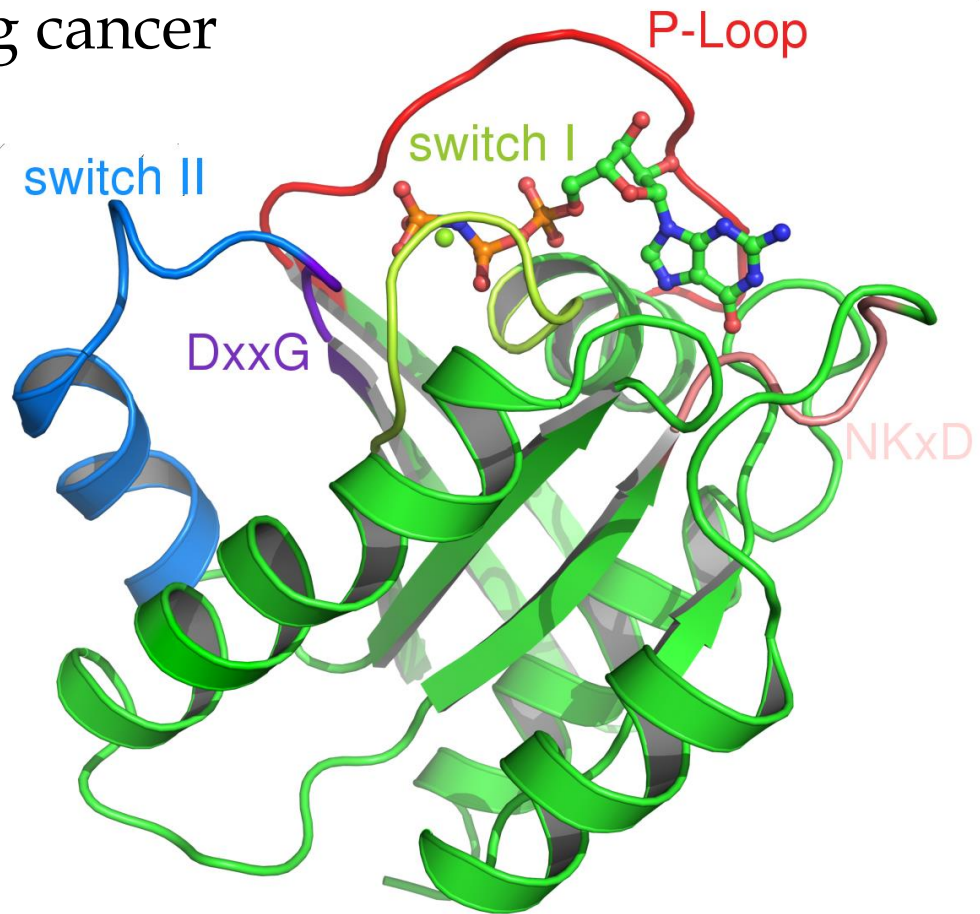
Myosin II - partly unfolded after ATP binding



<http://meds.queensu.ca/biochem/assets/kanelis.jpg>

Ras: G-protein signal transducer

activation of transcription factors
proto-oncogene of lung cancer



Transcription factor p53 (tumor suppressor)

