

Informatic vs Thermodynamic Entropy Production in Active Systems



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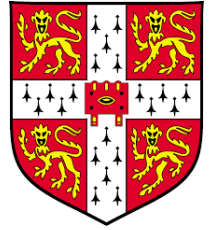
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- Stochastic Thermodynamics for particles and fields
- When $F \neq E - TS$:
 - Coarse-grained active matter
 - Informatic EPR \neq Thermodynamic
- When $F = E - TS$:
 - Restoring Thermodynamics when appropriate
- Ambiguities under $t \rightarrow -t$
- Conclusions



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Stochastic Thermodynamics

overdamped particle $\dot{x} = -M \frac{dV}{dx} + \sqrt{2D} \Lambda$

$D = Mk_B T,$ $\mathbb{P}[\Lambda(t)] = \mathcal{N} \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2} \int |\Lambda|^2 dt \right]$

$$\exp[\Delta S/k_B] = \frac{\mathbb{P}_F}{\mathbb{P}_B} = \frac{\exp \left[-\frac{1}{4D} \int |\dot{x} + MV'|^2 dt \right]}{\exp \left[-\frac{1}{4D} \int |-\dot{x} + MV'|^2 dt \right]}$$

second law

$$T \Delta S = -\frac{k_B T}{4D} \int 4M \dot{x} V' dt = -\int_{t_1}^{t_2} \dot{x} \frac{dV}{dx} dt = -[V_2 - V_1]$$

Stochastic Thermodynamics

nonconservative force $\dot{x} = -M(V' + f) + \sqrt{2D}\Lambda$

steady state EPR
$$T\dot{S}_{ss} = \lim_{t_2 - t_1 \rightarrow \infty} \frac{k_B T}{t_2 - t_1} \left\langle \ln \frac{\mathbb{P}_F}{\mathbb{P}_B} \right\rangle$$
$$= -\frac{\cancel{\Delta V}}{\infty} + \langle \dot{x} f \rangle_t$$

= rate of work by f

\dot{S}_{ss} = Thermodynamic EPR

- measure of irreversibility
- quantifies heat flow

Stochastic Thermodynamics of Fields

e.g. scalar field for mixture of A, B molecules $\phi = \frac{n_A - n_B}{n_A + n_B}$

$$\dot{\phi} = -\nabla \cdot \mathbf{J}$$

$$\mathbf{J} = -M\nabla \frac{\delta F}{\delta \phi} + \sqrt{2D} \boldsymbol{\Lambda}(\mathbf{r}, t) \quad D = Mk_B T$$

$$\mathbb{P}_{F,B} \propto \exp \left[-\frac{1}{4D} \int \left| \pm \mathbf{J} + M\nabla \frac{\delta F}{\delta \phi} \right|^2 d\mathbf{r} dt \right]$$

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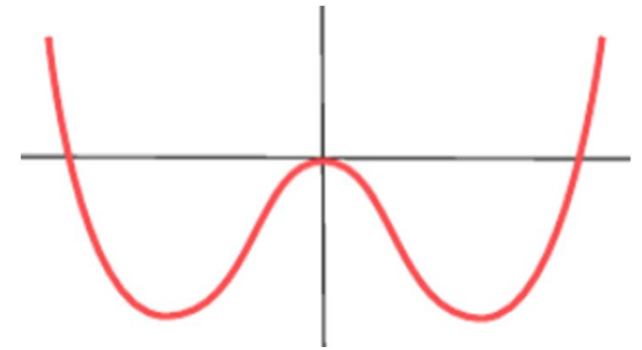
steady state EPR

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Minimal Models of Active Phase Separation

Dynamics of above form with

$$F = \int \left[\frac{a}{2} \phi^2 + \frac{b}{4} \phi^4 + \frac{\kappa}{2} (\nabla \phi)^2 \right] d\mathbf{r}$$



$a < 0$ gives phase separation: **Model B**

lowest order local TRS-breaking terms:

$$\mathbf{Y} = -\lambda \nabla (\nabla \phi)^2 + \zeta (\nabla^2 \phi) \nabla \phi$$

Active Model B **B+**

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Active Model B/B+: No Thermodynamics in General

e.g. $\phi = \frac{n_A - n_B}{n_A + n_B}$ A = sheep, B = goats

$$\mathbf{J} = -M \nabla \frac{\delta F}{\delta \phi} + \mathbf{Y} + \sqrt{2D} \mathbf{\Lambda}$$

integrable + not + noise

Informatic EPR

$$\mathcal{S} = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\Delta t} \left\langle \ln \frac{\mathbb{P}_F}{\mathbb{P}_B} \right\rangle = \int \frac{\langle \mathbf{J} \cdot \mathbf{Y} \rangle_t}{D} d\mathbf{r} \equiv \int \sigma(\mathbf{r}) d\mathbf{r}$$

$$\neq \frac{\dot{S}_{ss}}{k_B}$$

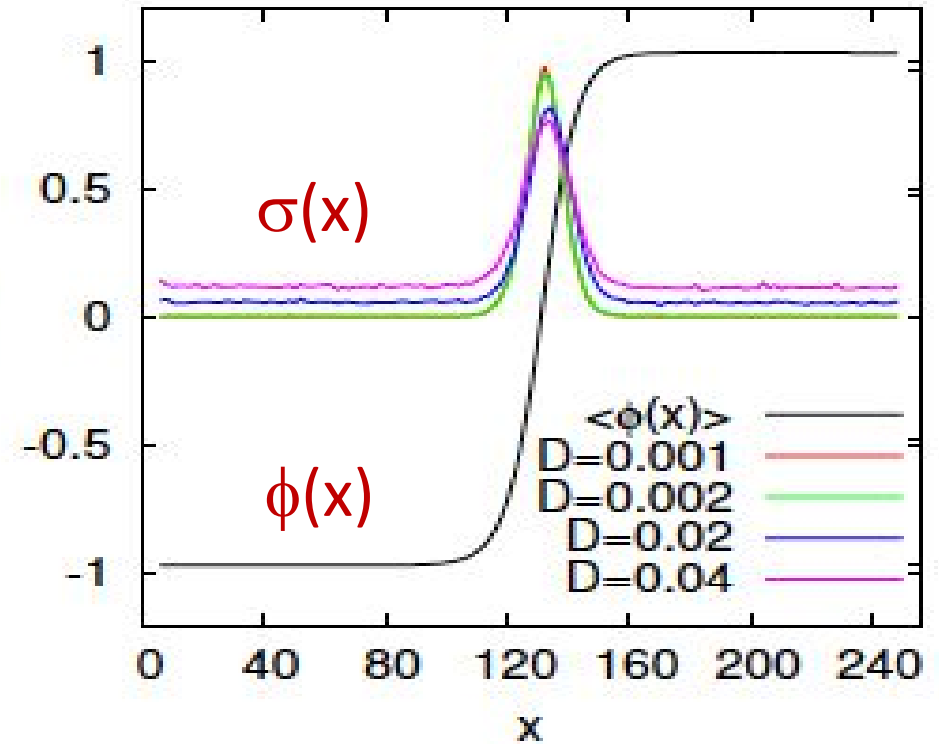
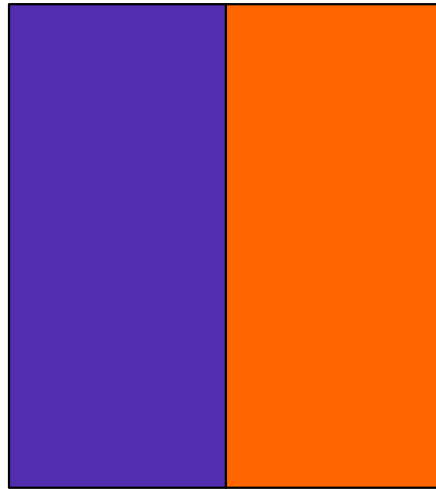
unless $F = E - TS$

$$D = Mk_B T$$

\mathbf{Y} = forces (not psychology)

IEPR as Irreversibility Measure

e.g. AMB



$\sigma \propto D^1$ bulk phases, $\propto D^0$ at interface

Generic scalings of IEPR density σ for coarse-grained fields:

- D^{-1} : dynamics breaks TRS/DB at deterministic level
- D^0 : TRS/DB broken by leading-order fluctuations
- $D^{1,2,\dots}$: only broken at higher order

Thermodynamic vs Informatic EPR

Sheep-Goat phase separation: $\dot{S}_{SS} \gg \gg \gg \gg \gg k_B \mathcal{S}$

Full EPR:

dominated by microscopics, no insight into macro dynamics
backward path must reverse metabolism as well as motion

IEPR:

self-contained probe of macro dynamics
depends on our definition of backward path [later]

Subcellular active phase separation: $F = E - TS \dots, \dot{S}_{SS} \geq k_B \mathcal{S}$

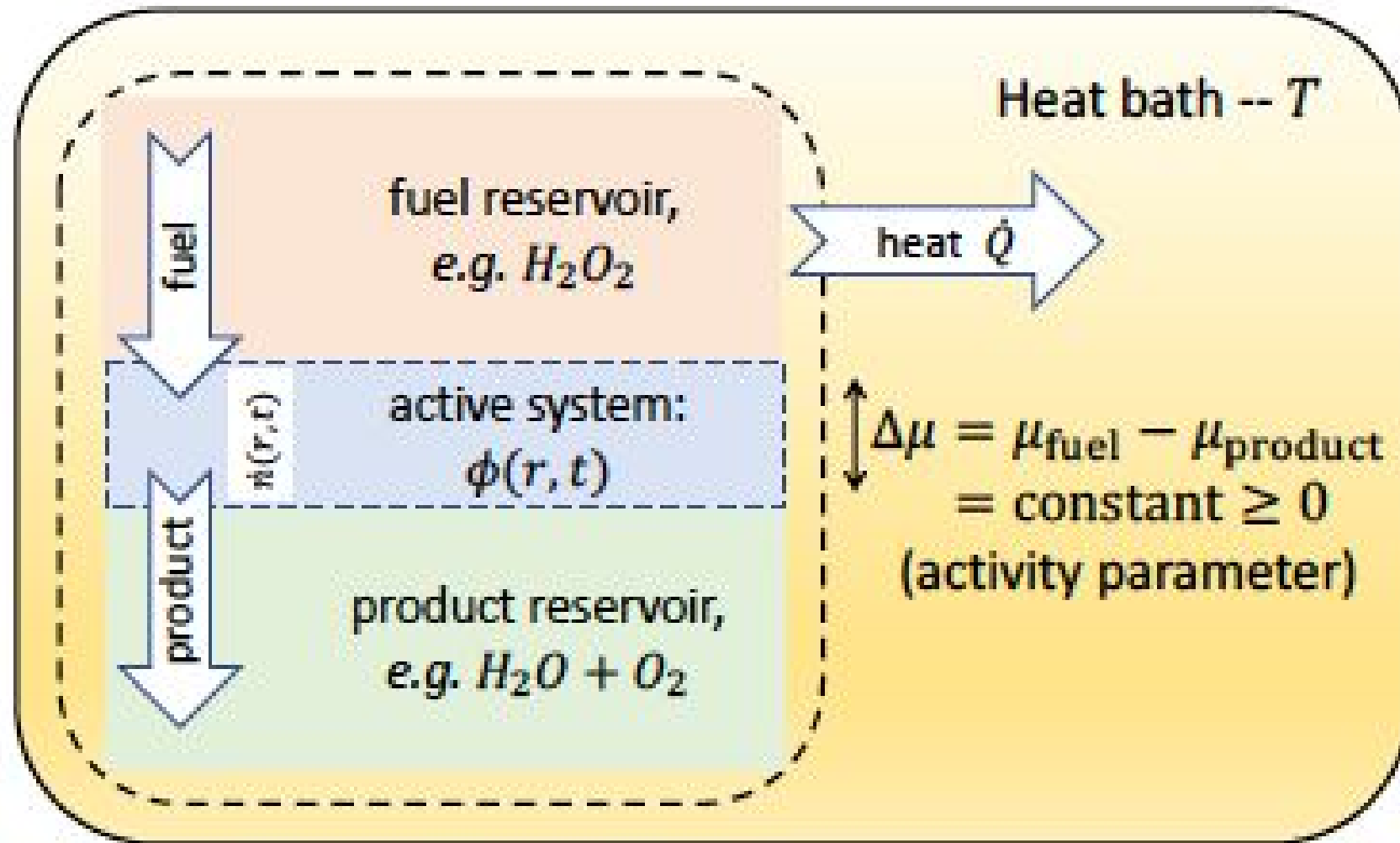
IEPR: coarse-grained dynamics with active terms \mathbf{Y}

EPR: must include chemical processes giving rise to \mathbf{Y}

) IEPR and EPR distinct but relatable in principle: How?

Thermal Active Matter

Near-equilibrium system, T well defined, $F = E - TS \dots$, $D = Mk_B T$



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Chemical drive: $\Delta\mu = \mu_{\text{ATP}} - \mu_{\text{ADP}} > 0$

Simplest illustration (for more see PRX):

$\phi(\mathbf{r}, t)$ = composition variable for binary mixture

$n(\mathbf{r}, t) = (n_{\text{ATP}} - n_{\text{ADP}})/2$ = local reaction coordinate

Linear Irreversible Thermodynamics:

$$(\mathbf{J}, \dot{n}) = \mathbb{L} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} -\nabla \delta F / \delta \phi \\ \Delta\mu \end{pmatrix} + \text{noise terms}$$

\mathbb{L} = Onsager matrix

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Thermal Active Matter

Onsager reciprocity:

$$\text{if } \mathbf{J} = -M \nabla \frac{\delta F}{\delta \phi} + \mathbf{Y} + \sqrt{2D} \Lambda$$

active term $\mathbf{Y} = \Delta\mu \mathbf{g}$

[$\mathbf{g} = \mathbb{L}_{12}$ = off-diagonal Onsager coupling]

$$\text{then } \dot{n} = \gamma \Delta\mu - \mathbf{g} \cdot \nabla \frac{\delta F}{\delta \phi} + \sqrt{2\gamma k_B T} \Lambda'$$

Note: nonzero \mathbb{L}_{12})

- noise terms for \mathbf{J} , n are correlated
- the off-diagonal noise is multiplicative
- spurious drift terms require attention

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Thermal Active Matter

Full EPR:
$$T\dot{S}_{ss} = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{k_B T}{\Delta t} \langle \ln \frac{\mathbb{P}_F}{\mathbb{P}_B} \rangle = \int \langle \dot{n} \Delta\mu \rangle_t d\mathbf{r}$$

= rate of chemical work [compare $\langle \dot{x} f \rangle_t$ for single particle]

\dot{n} equation:
$$\dot{n} \Delta\mu = \gamma(\Delta\mu)^2 - \mathbf{Y} \cdot \nabla \frac{\delta F}{\delta \phi} + \text{noise}$$

sub J equation:
$$\nabla \frac{\delta F}{\delta \phi} = \frac{1}{M} (\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{J} + \text{noise})$$

then
$$\frac{\dot{S}_{ss}^{\text{TOT}}}{k_B} = \int \left[\underbrace{\frac{\langle \mathbf{J} \cdot \mathbf{Y} \rangle_t}{D}} + \frac{\gamma(\Delta\mu)^2}{T} - \frac{\langle \mathbf{Y} \cdot \mathbf{Y} \rangle_t}{D} \right] d\mathbf{r}$$

IEPR $S[\phi]$ + chemical part ≥ 0 via $\mathbb{L} \geq 0$

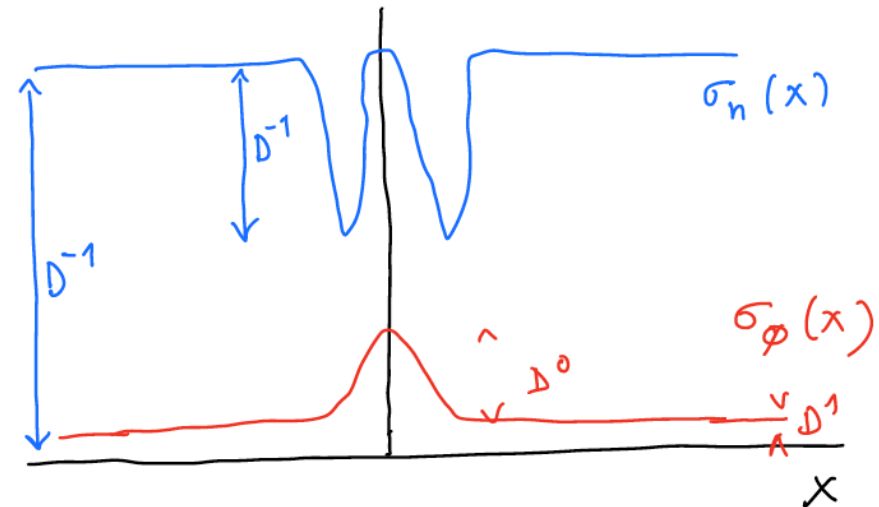
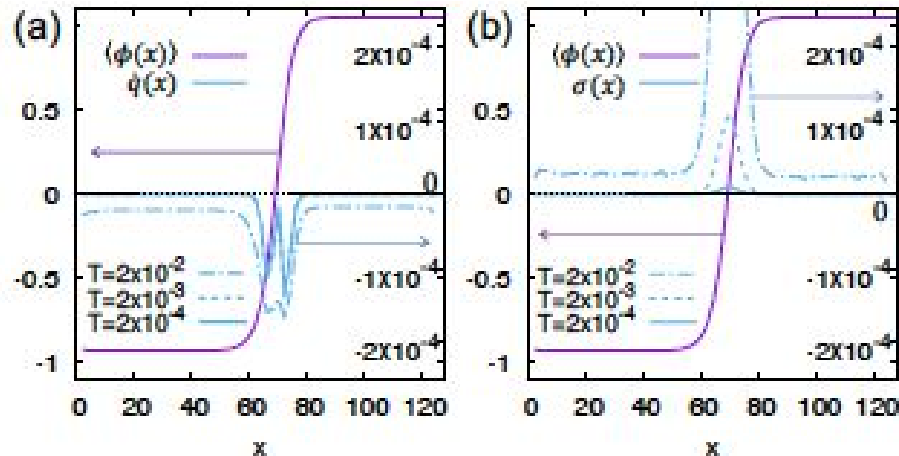
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IEPR vs Full EPR: Active Model B

Active term $\mathbf{Y} = -\lambda \nabla(\nabla\phi)^2$

local IEPR density: $\sigma_\phi \propto D^{0,1}$ for interface, bulk

chemical EPR density: $\sigma_n \propto D^{-1}$ everywhere (ϕ -dependent)



- reduced $\dot{n} \Delta\mu$ where $|r^2\phi|$ large (interfaces)
- chemistry works locally against F to maintain $\frac{\delta F}{\delta\phi} \propto \lambda$
- similar results for other models

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What is a Backward Path?

Thermal active matter: $Q = T\dot{S}_{ss}$ is measurable in principle

) only one correct definition of \mathbb{P}_B

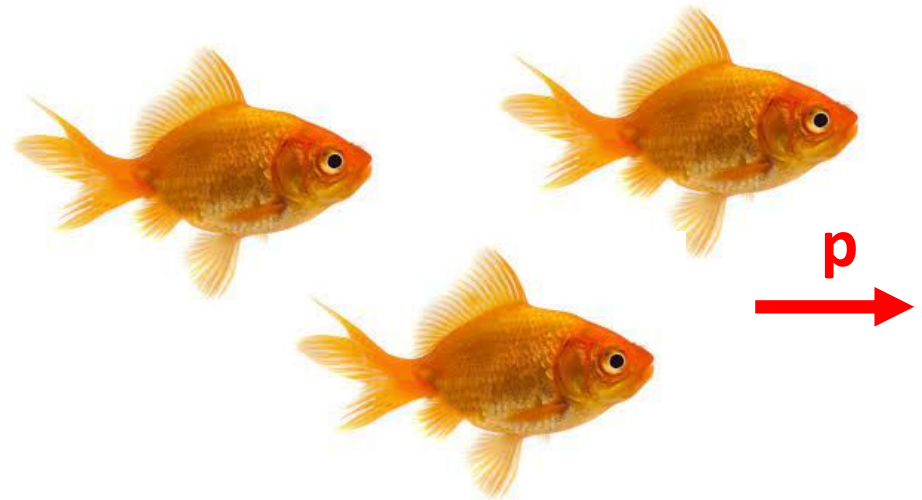
Toner-Tu Dilemma

Toner-Tu: \mathbf{p} is a current

) $TR_1(\mathbf{p}) = -\mathbf{p}$

Polar LC models: \mathbf{p} is structural

) $TR_2(\mathbf{p}) = +\mathbf{p}$



Forward path: \mathbf{p} is both structural and a current

Backward path: we can choose TR_1 or TR_2

S_1 and S_2 separately interesting

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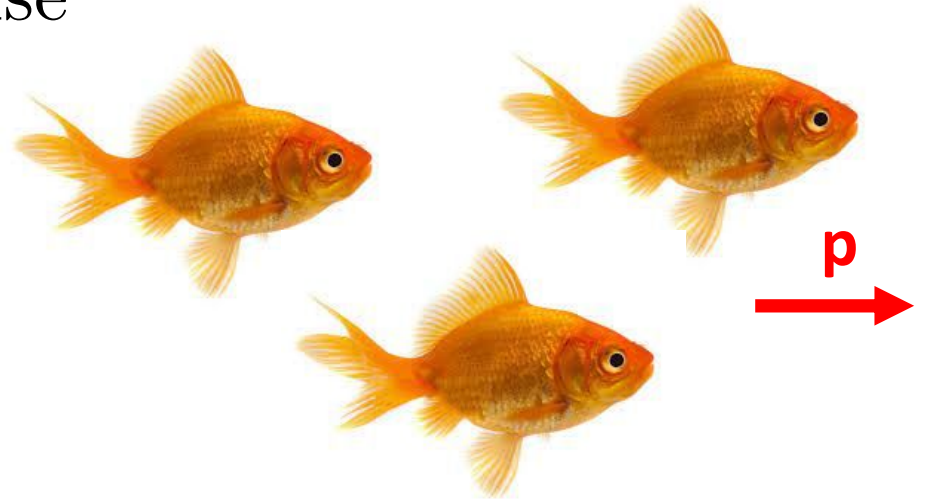
Diffusive Flocking Model

$$\partial_t \rho = -\nabla \cdot \mathbf{J}$$

$$\mathbf{J} = w\mathbf{p} - M\nabla \frac{\delta F}{\delta \phi} + \text{noise}$$

$$\partial_t \mathbf{p} + \lambda \mathbf{p} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{p} = -\Gamma \frac{\delta F}{\delta \mathbf{p}} + \text{noise}$$

$$F[\rho, \mathbf{p}] = \dots$$



Results for various phases:

Polar liquid (uniform \mathbf{p}): $S_{1,2} \sim D^0$

Polar liquid in field, $\text{TR}(\mathbf{h}) = -\mathbf{h}$ (e.g. flow): $S_{1,2} \sim D^{0,-1}$

Polar liquid in field, $\text{TR}(\mathbf{h}) = +\mathbf{h}$ (e.g. food): $S_{1,2} \sim D^{-1,0}$

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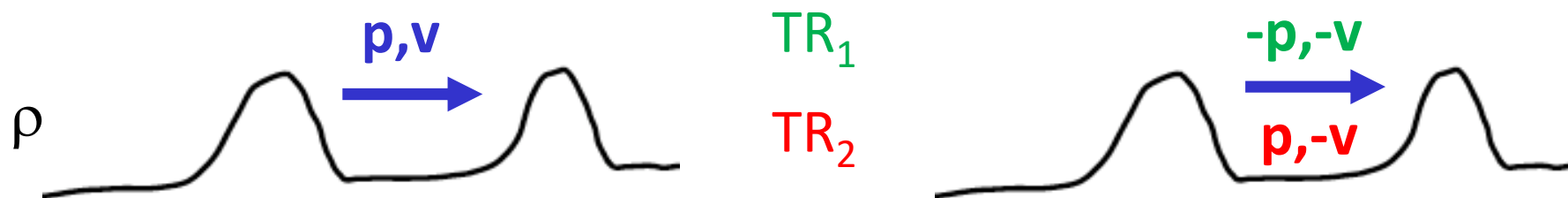
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Travelling waves/clusters: asymmetric waveform, $S_{1,2} \sim D^{-1}$



[D^0 in polar liquid: same, but for fluctuations]

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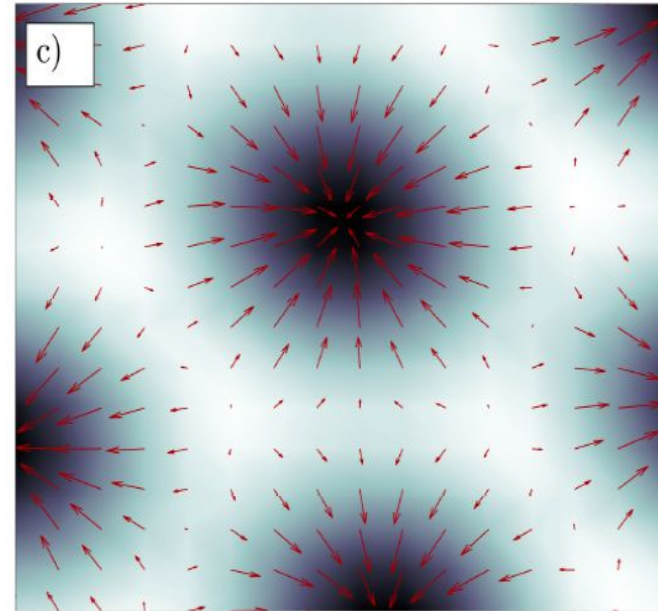
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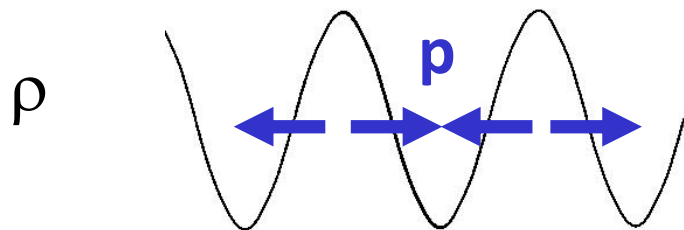
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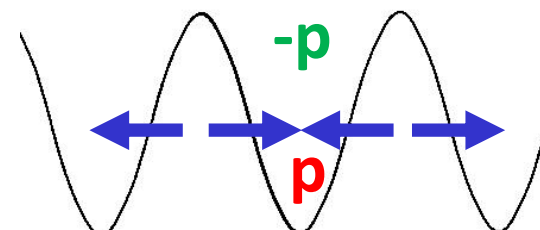
Results for various phases:



Static crystal $S_{1,2} \sim D^{-1,0}$



TR₁
TR₂



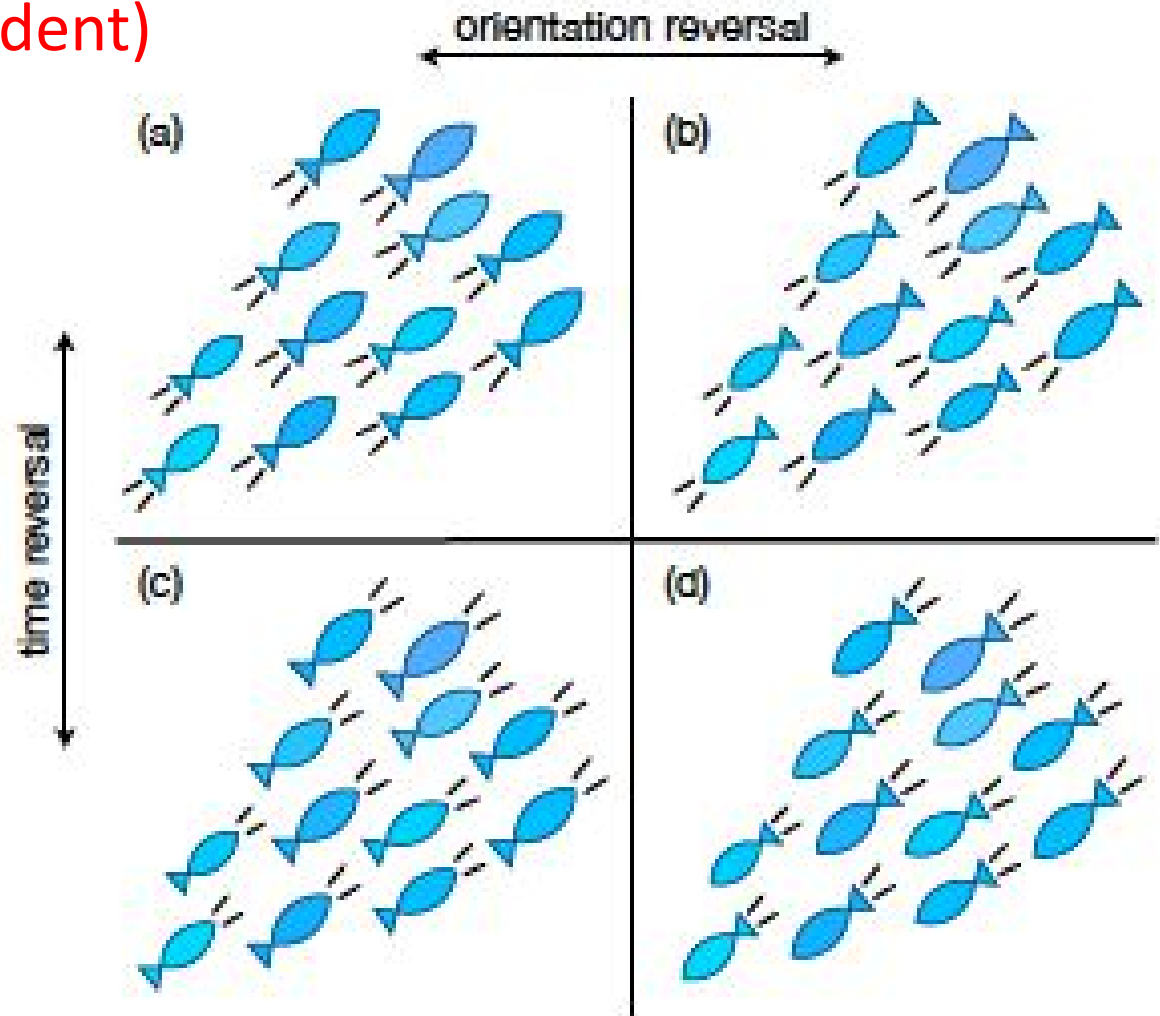
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Strategy far from Equilibrium

- Choose TR operation to minimize IEPR (choice is phase-dependent)
- See what remains

Review:

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Conclusions

Micro active matter, close to equilibrium (e.g. subcellular)

$$T\dot{S}_{ss} = \int \langle \dot{n} \Delta\mu \rangle_t d\mathbf{r} \quad \text{is true but not the whole story!}$$

- IEPR is lower bound on full EPR
- Each identifies different aspects of local irreversibility

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Macro active matter, far from equilibrium (animals, bacteria)

- IEPR: useful and calculable for coarse-grained models
- Full EPR: neither ($\approx \infty$)
- Time-reversal operation is user-defined
- Differently interesting IEPR for each choice

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