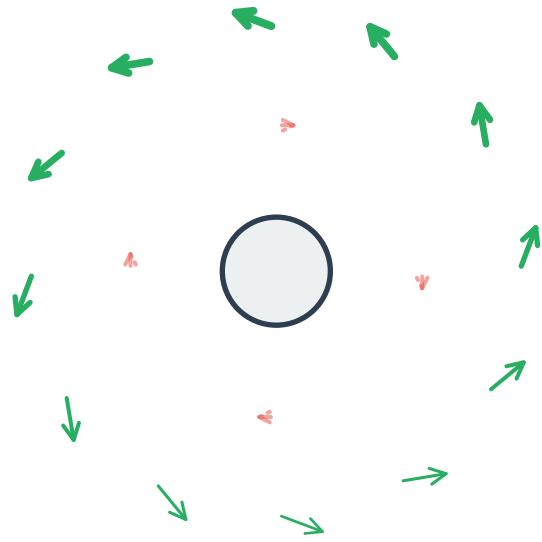


## Figure 4: Flow Asymmetry and Irreversibility

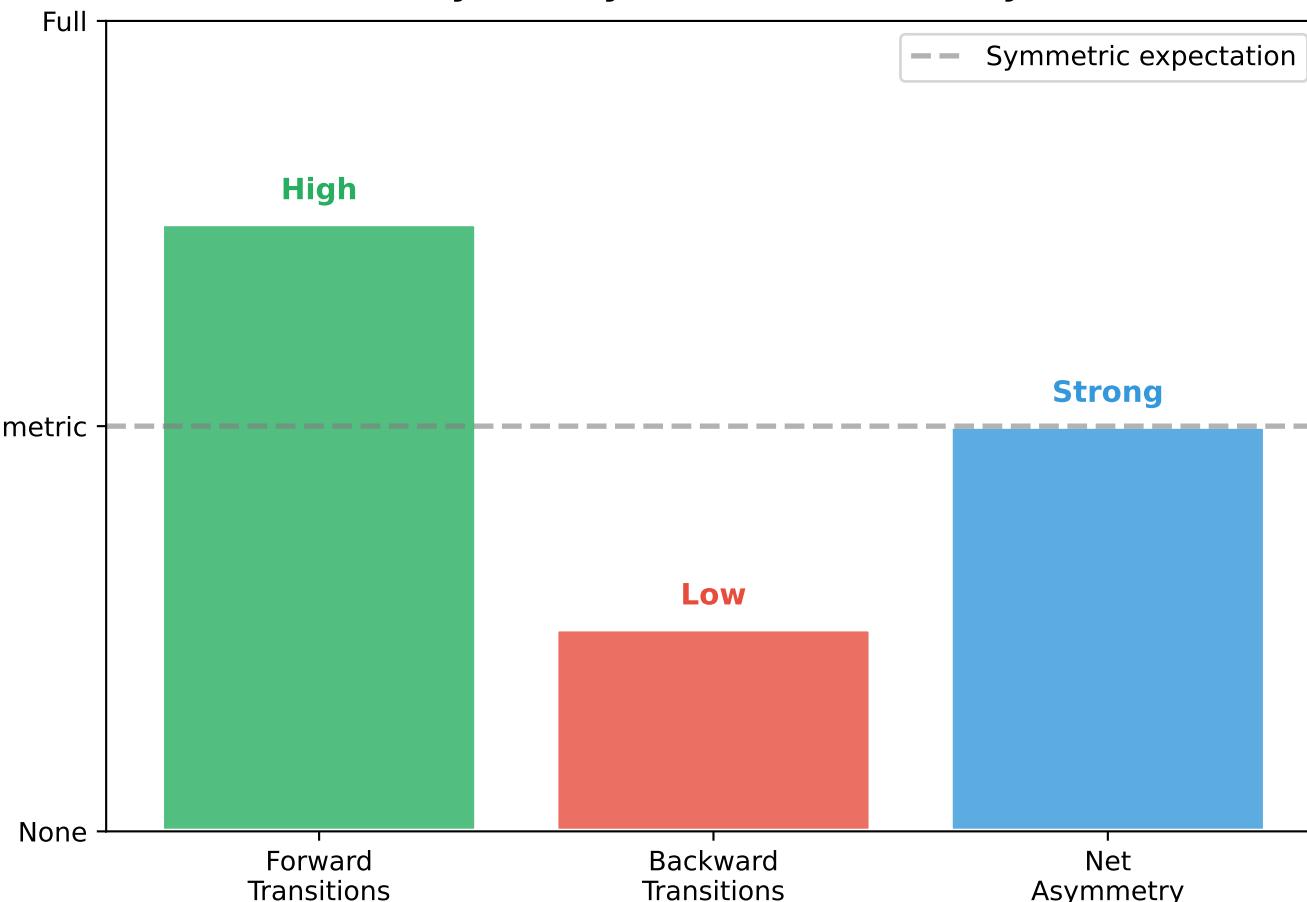
### Directional Flow (Forward $\neq$ Backward)

**Irreversibility Signature:**  
*Forward transitions  $\gg$  Backward transitions*



- Dominant flow
- - Suppressed reverse

### Flow Asymmetry: Markovian Null Rejected



*The system exhibits statistically significant irreversibility, incompatible with Markovian null models.*