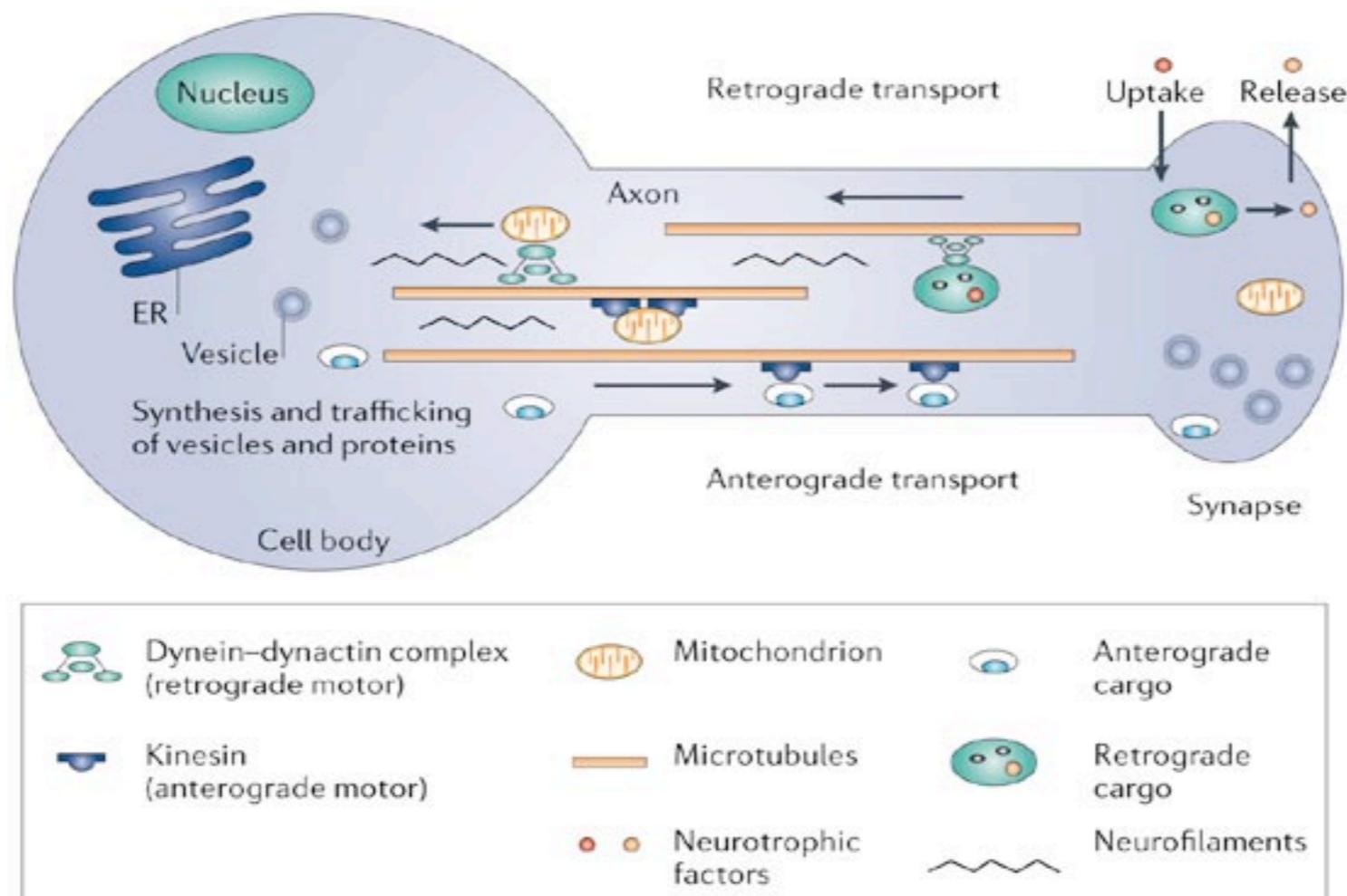


Multiple Scales in Molecular Motor Models

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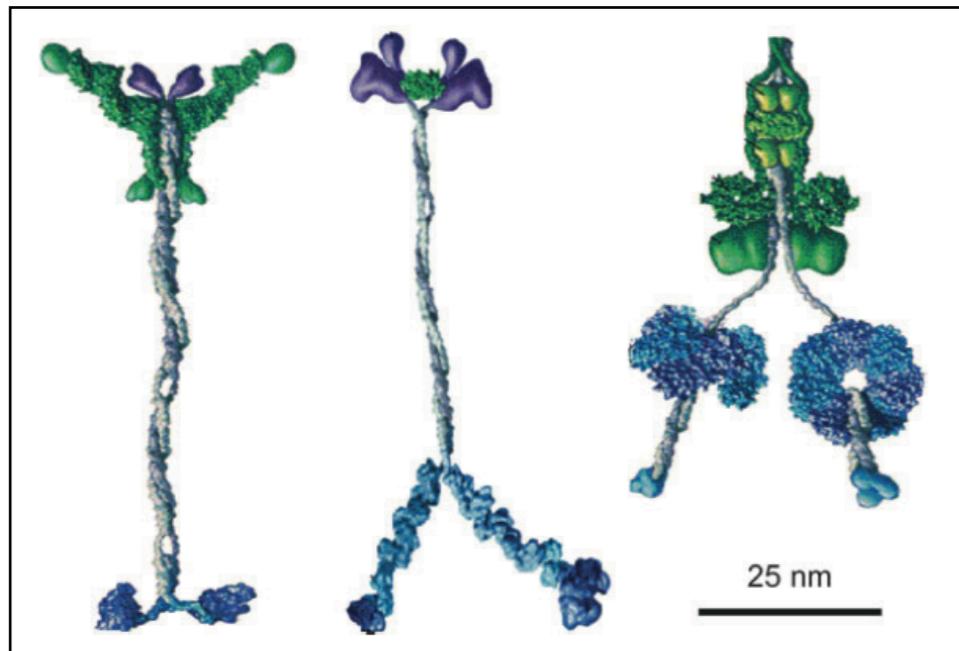
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Microtubule-based Transport

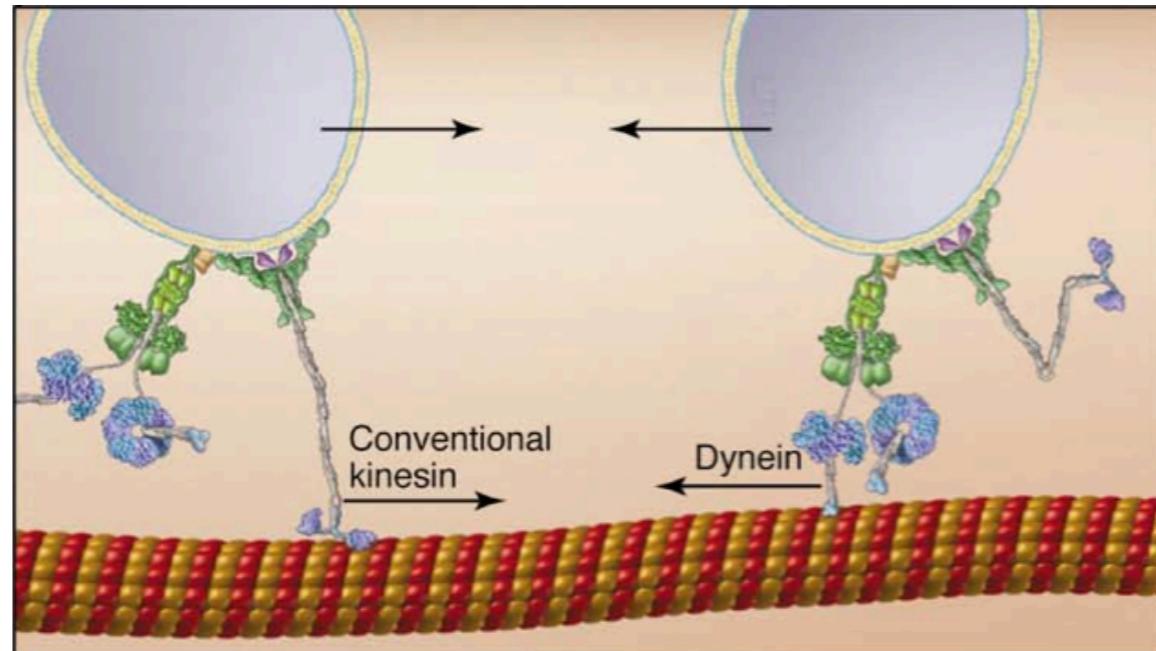


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Examples of Motors



A Kolomeisky, M Fisher, Ann Rev Phys Chem, 2007



R Vale, Cell, 2003

Kinesin Dynamics

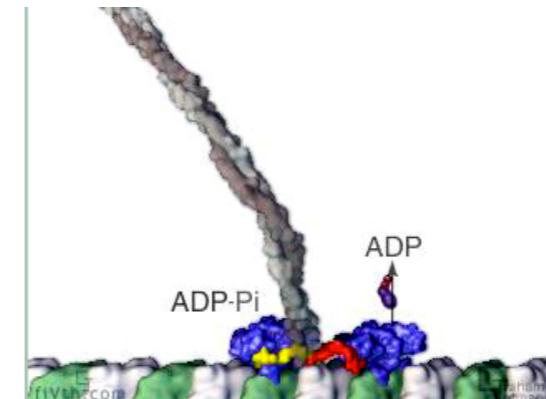


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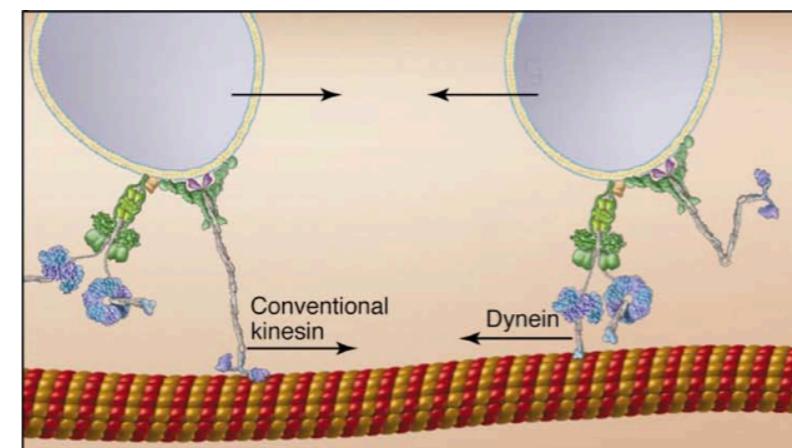
Scales

► **nanoscale**



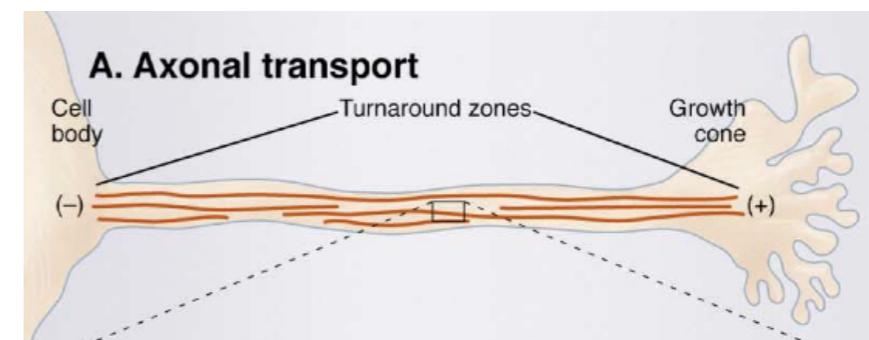
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► **mesoscale: tens of nanometers to micron**



R Vale, Cell, 2003

► **microscale: microns to centimeters**



S Gross, Phys. Biol., 2004

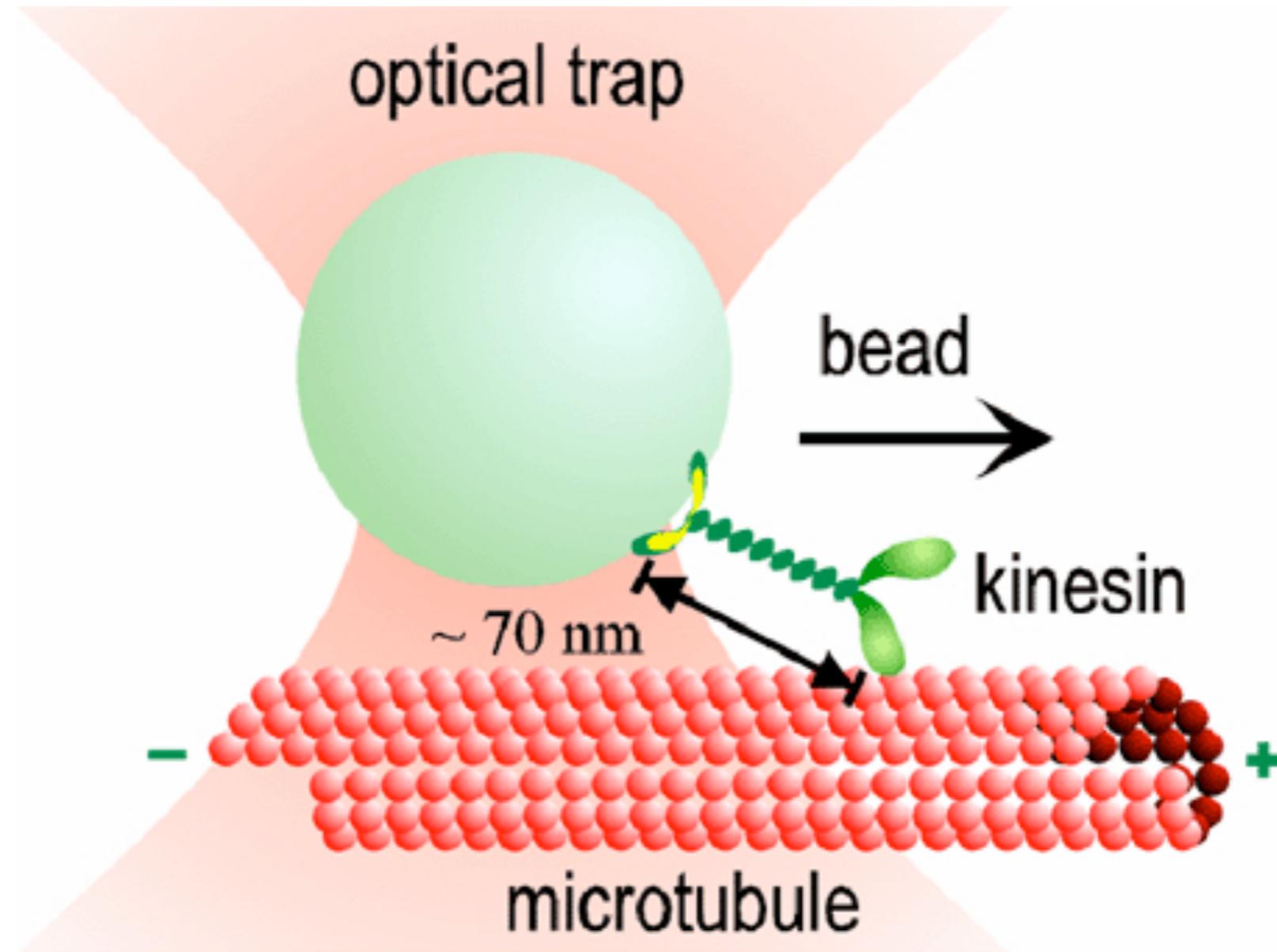
Why?

- ▶ When an axon is severed, it must be regenerated from a dendrite.
- ▶ The microtubules near the regeneration site realign in a mixed polarity.
- ▶ What effect does this have on kinesin-dynein transport? Is the effect on transport restorative?

Orientation

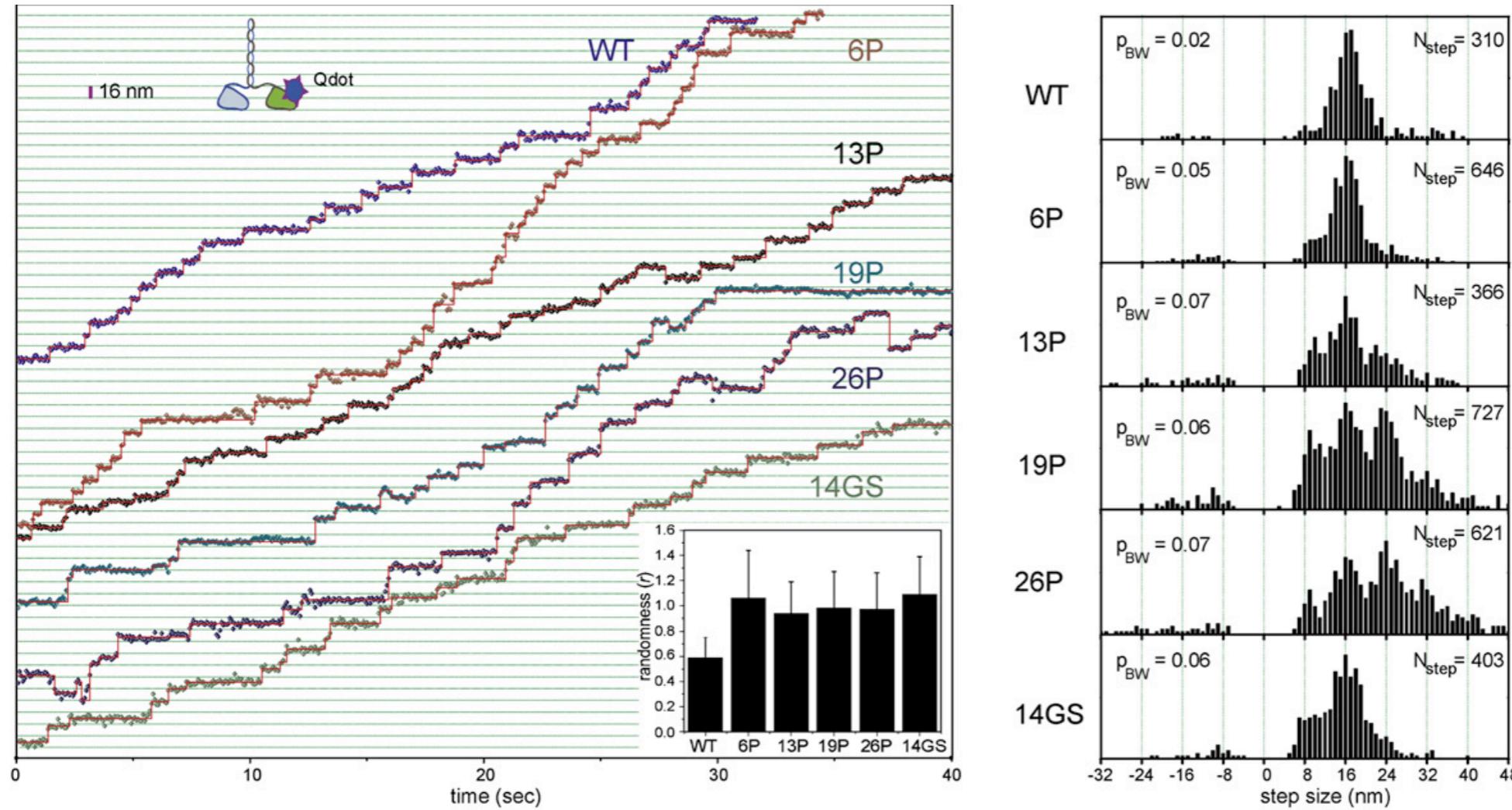
- ▶ How is the process regulated?
- ▶ At the nanoscale?
- ▶ Interactions up through the scales?
- ▶ Through MAPS, Post-translational modifications, etc?

Laser Trap



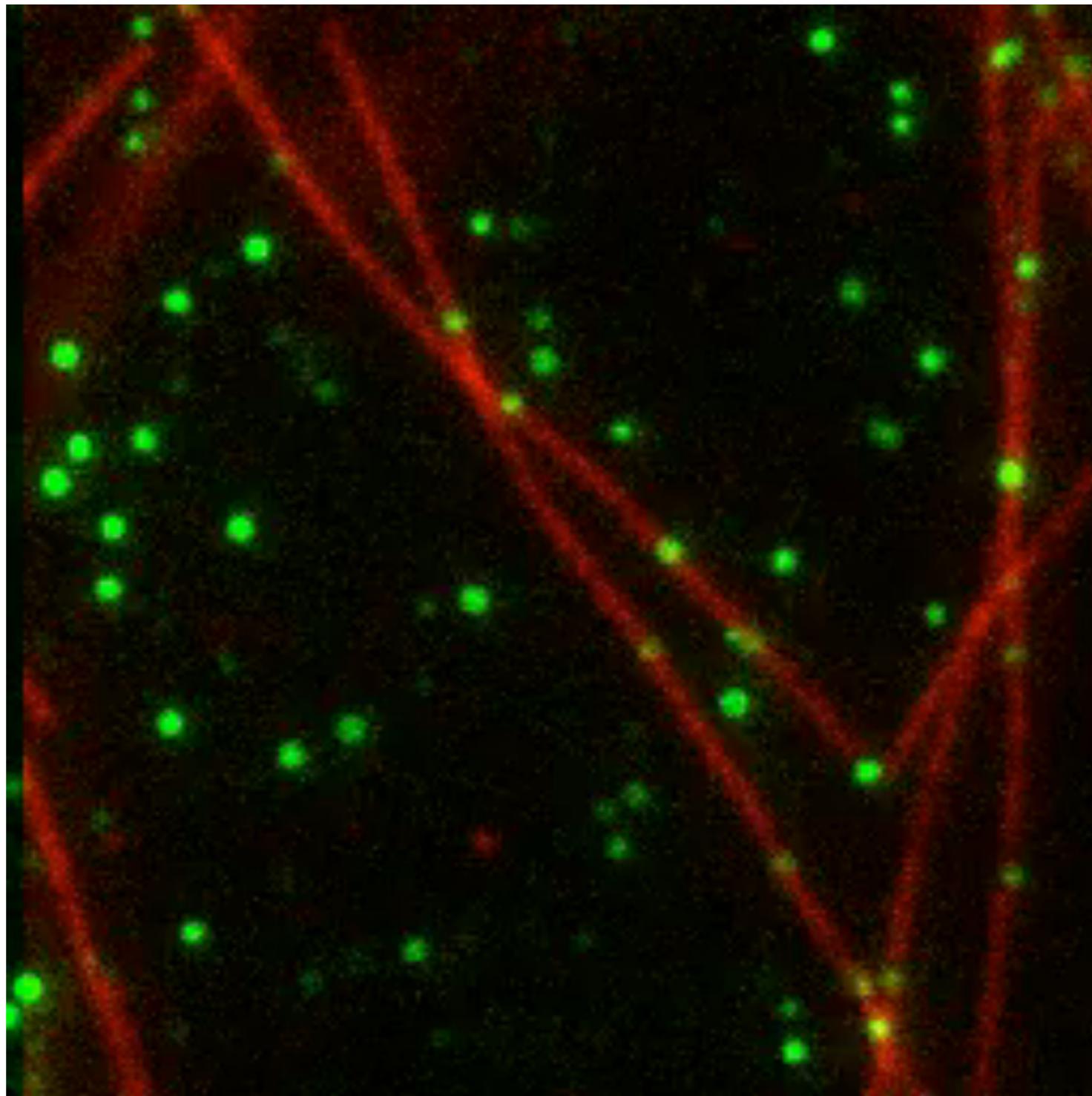
Block Lab:<http://www.stanford.edu/group/blocklab/kinesin/kinesin.html>

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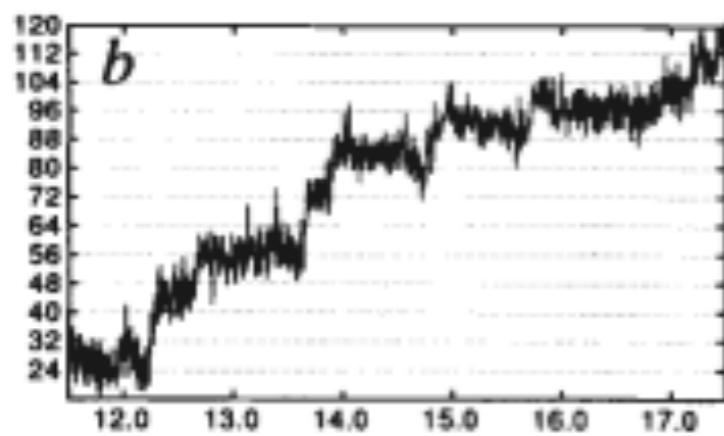
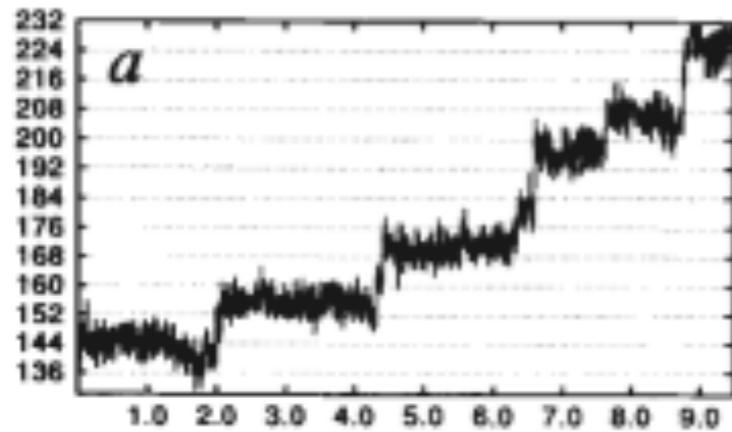
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Fluorescence Experiment



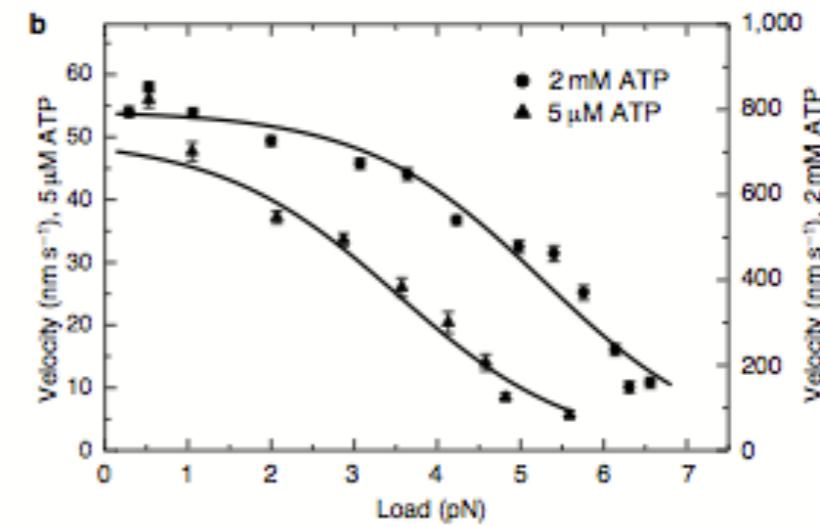
Data at Multiple Scales

Nanoscale



Svoboda et al, Nature, 1993

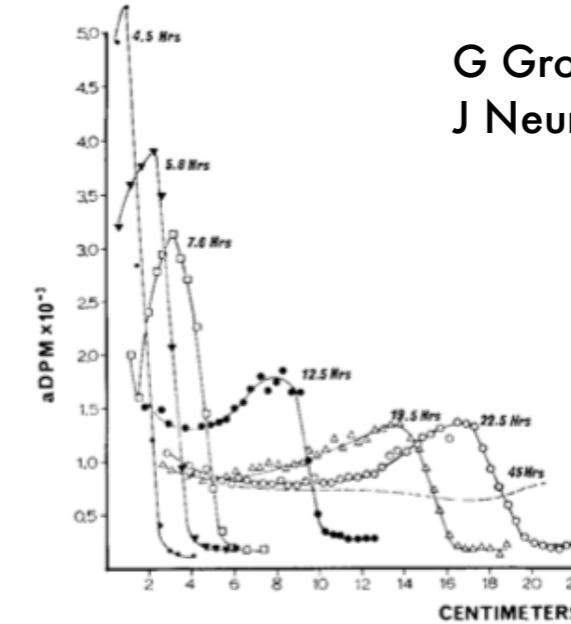
Mesoscale



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>Microscale

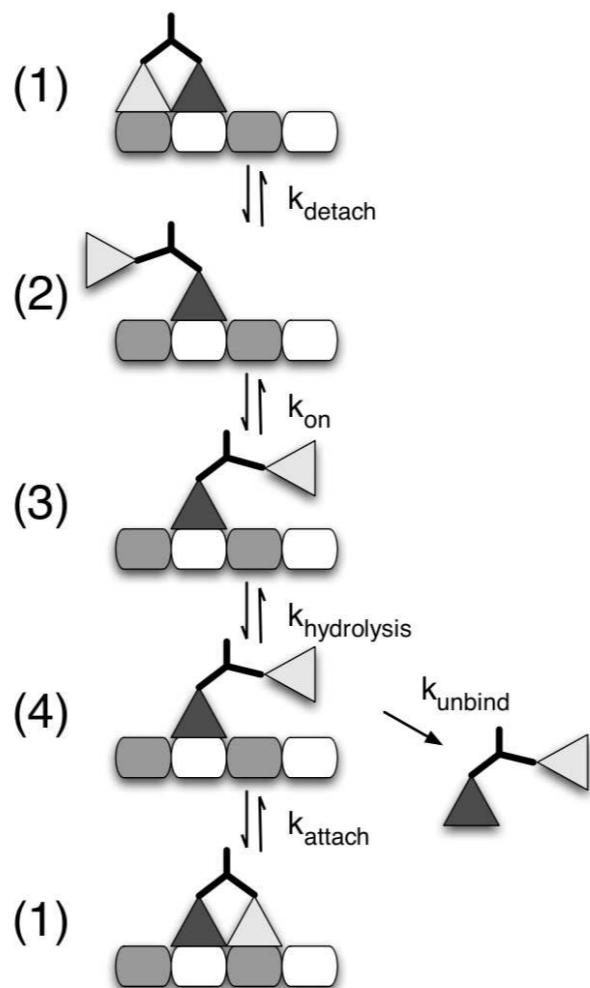
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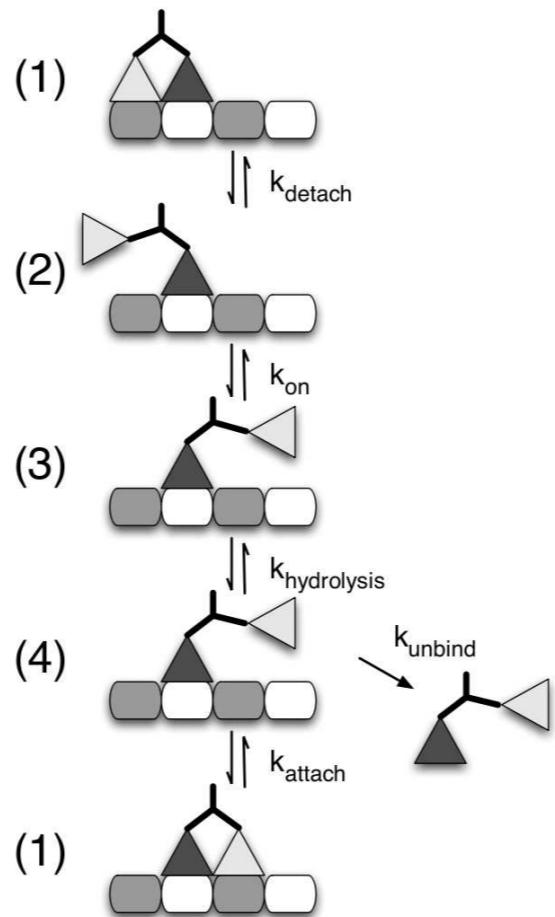
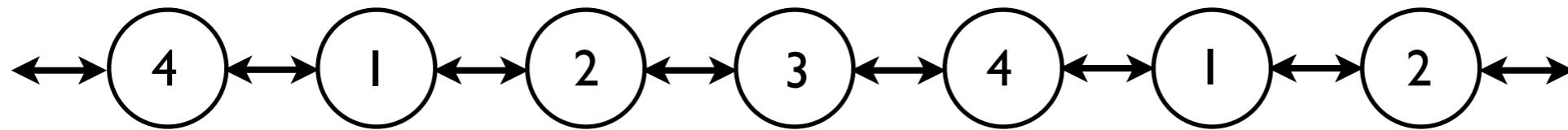
Nanoscale to Mesoscale Perturbations

- ▶ Investigate Dynamics at Nanoscale.
- ▶ Example of Perturbation at Nanoscale.
- ▶ First Model. Intrastep Diffusion of Heads.
 - ▶ John Hughes, William O. Hancock, and John Fricks (2011). A Matrix Computational Approach to Kinesin Neck Linker Extension. *Journal of Theoretical Biology*. **269**, No. 1, 181-194.
 - ▶ Matthew L. Kutys, John Fricks, and William O. Hancock (2010). Monte Carlo Analysis of Neck Linker Extension in Kinesin Molecular Motors. *PLoS Computational Biology*. **6**, No. 11.
- ▶ Second Model. Variable Length Stepping.
 - ▶ John Hughes, William O. Hancock, and John Fricks (2012). Kinesins with Extended Neck Linkers: A Chemomechanical Model for Variable-Length Stepping. *Bulletin of Mathematical Biology*. **74**, No. 5, 1066-1097.

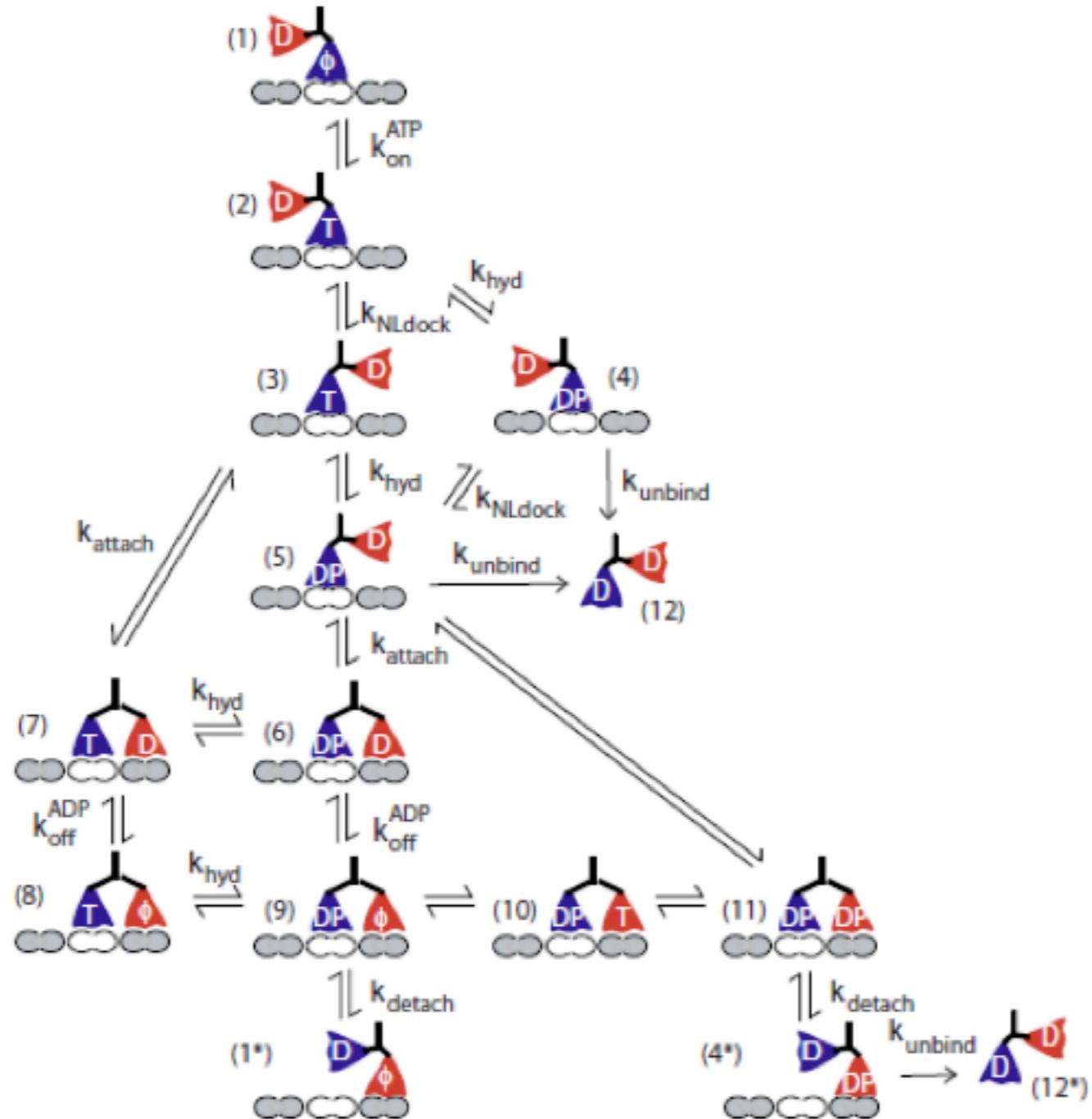
Diffusion and Kinetics of a Step



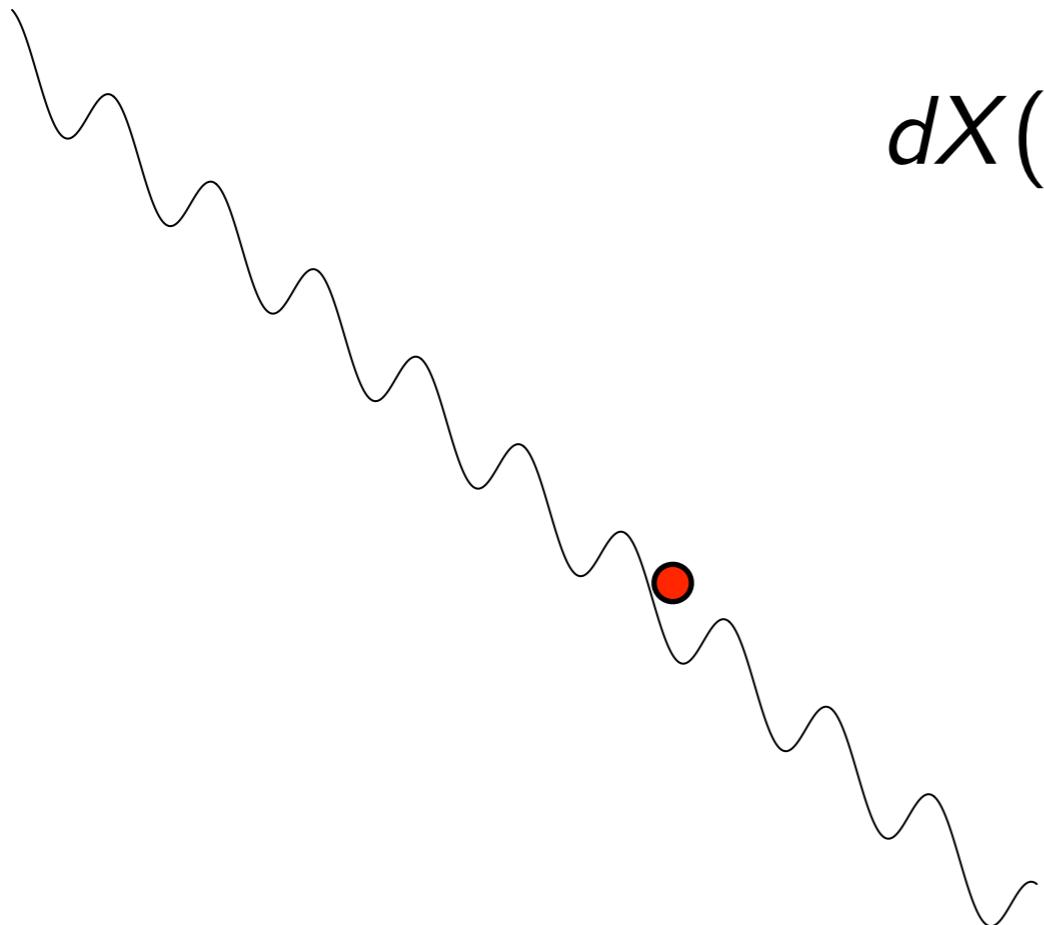
Discrete Space Markov Process



More Complex

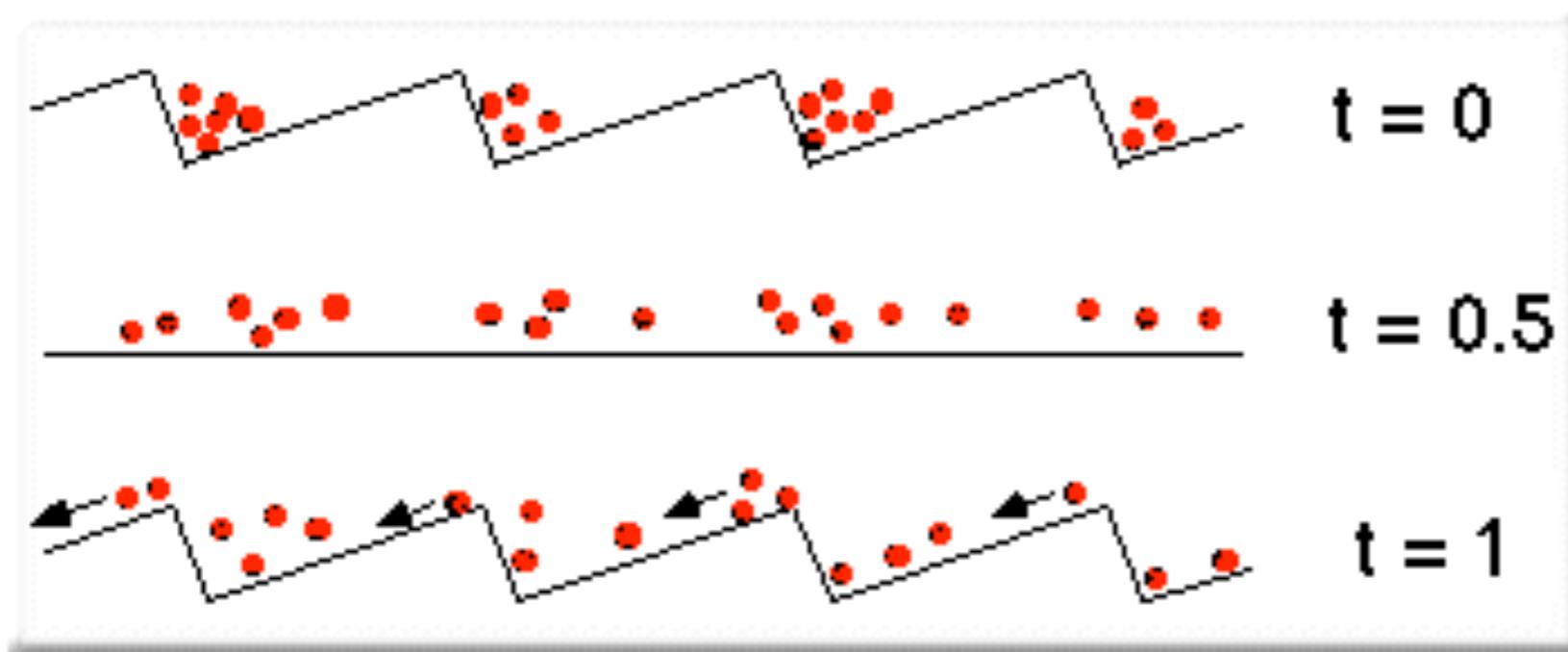


Stochastic Differential Equation



$$dX(t) = a(X(t))dt + \sigma dB(t)$$

Flashing Ratchet



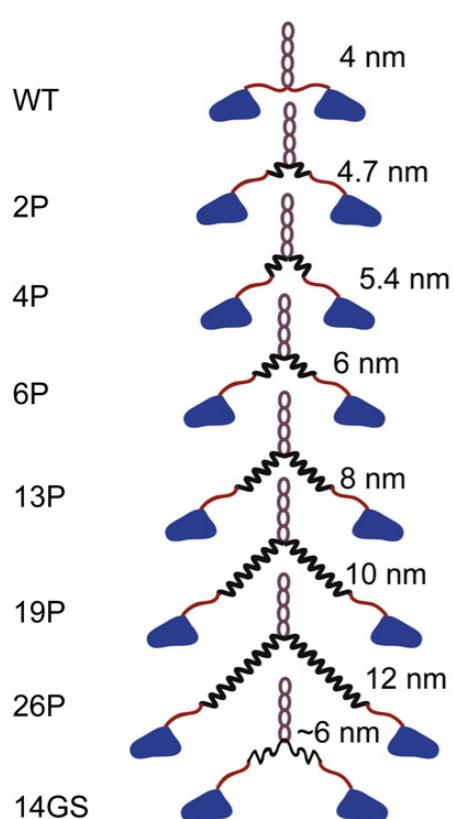
[Heiner Linke \(<http://www.phys.unsw.edu.au/STAFF/RESEARCH/linke.html>\)](http://www.phys.unsw.edu.au/STAFF/RESEARCH/linke.html)

$$dX(t) = a_{K(t)}(X(t))dt + \sigma dB(t)$$

Quantities of Interest

- Asymptotic Velocity $v_a = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{E[X(t)]}{t}$ or $v_a = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{X(t)}{t}$
- Effective Diffusion $D_{\text{eff}} = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\text{Var}[X(t)]}{2t}$
- Randomness Parameter (Fano Factor) $R = \frac{2D_{\text{eff}}}{LV_a}$
- Processivity

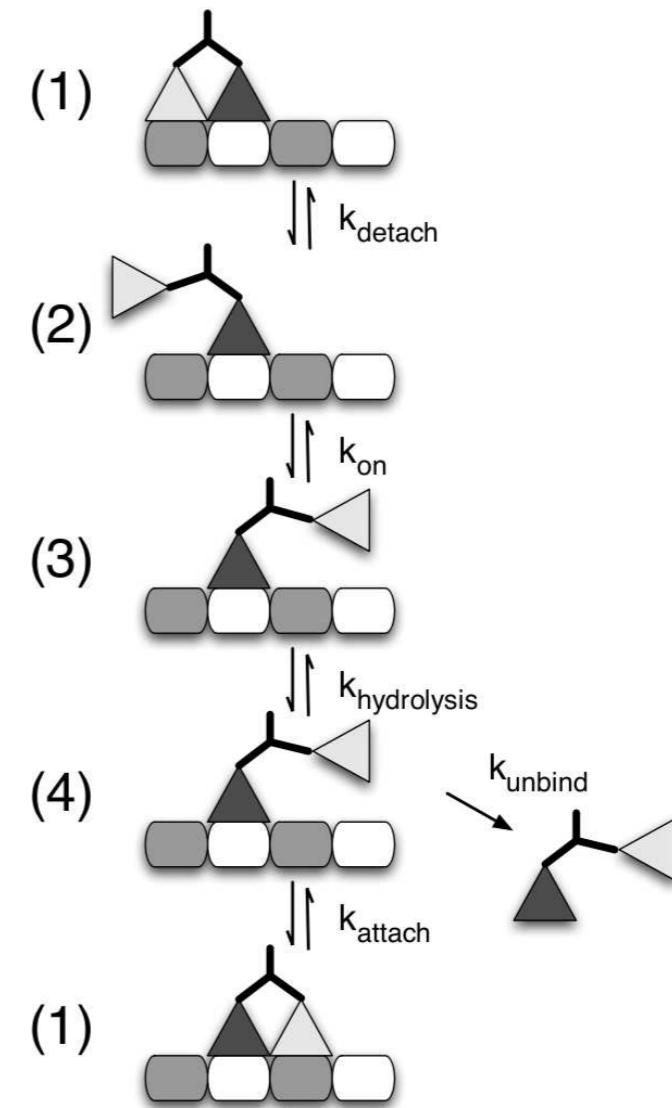
Engineered Motors



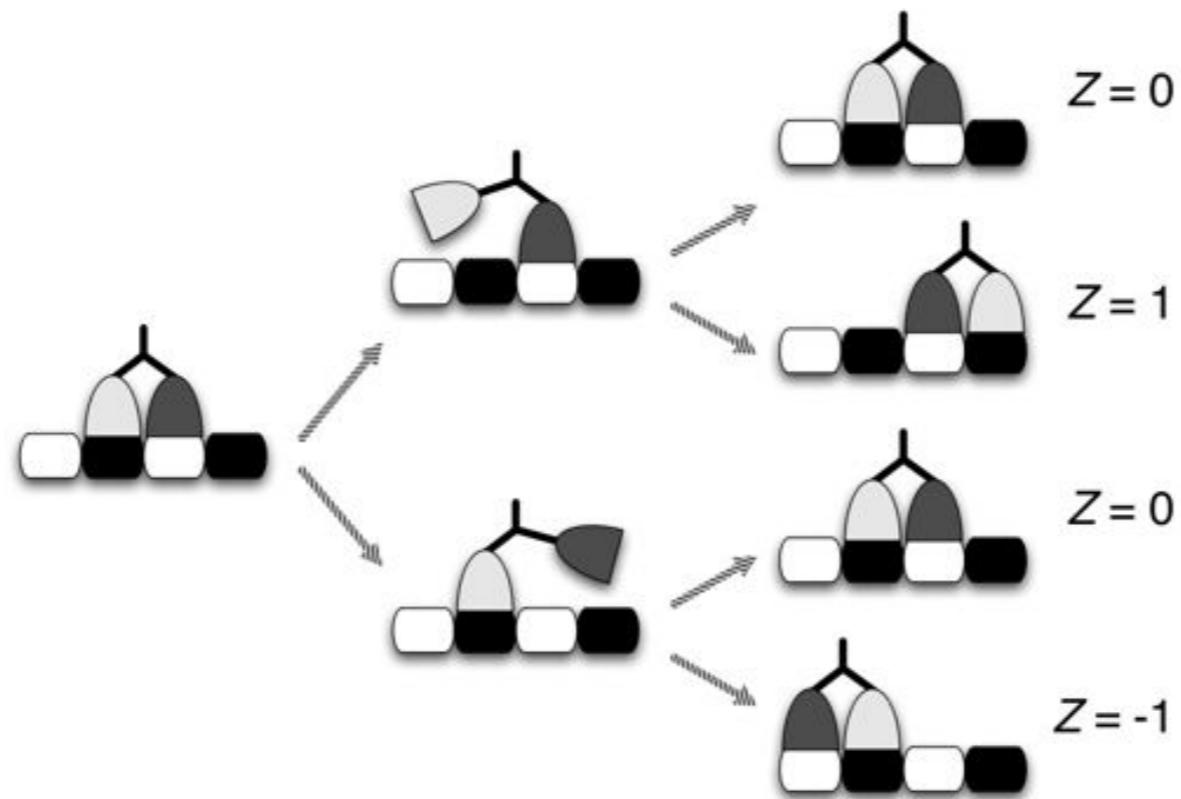
- ▶ Extensions range from 1 to 12 nm.
- ▶ Hackney and Hancock
 - ▶ reduced processivity
- ▶ Hancock
 - ▶ velocity was reduced
- ▶ Yildiz et al
 - ▶ processivity unaffected
 - ▶ velocity reduced

Mathematical Model-First Try

- What about incorporating diffusion into the free head?
- State 1 corresponds to both heads down.
- State 2 corresponds to the rear head free. Negative or neutral bias.
- States 3 and 4 correspond to a forward bias due to the binding of ATP.



Mathematical Model-First Try



Mathematical Model-First Try

- ▶ Position of free motor head is governed by

$$Y(t) = y + \int_0^t a_{K(s)}(Y(s))ds + \sigma B(s)$$

- ▶ Associate with each free binding site

$$N_j \left(\int_0^t g_j(Y(s)) ds \right)$$

- ▶ The time and location of absorption

$$\tau \quad Y(\tau)$$

Mathematical Model-First Try

$$Y(t) = x + \int_0^t a_{K(s)}(Y(s))ds + \sigma B(s)$$

Linear Spring

$$a_k(y) = -\kappa(y - c)$$

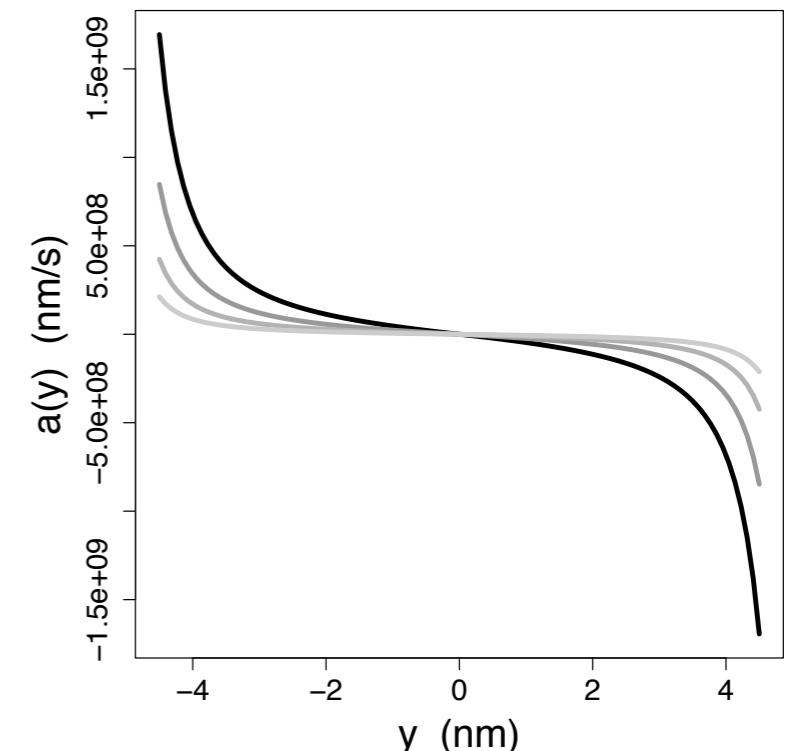
WLC

$$a_k(y) = \kappa \left(\frac{1}{4} \left(1 - \frac{y}{L_c} \right)^{-2} - \frac{1}{4} + \frac{y}{L_c} \right)$$

FENE

$$a_k(y) = -\kappa(y - c)$$

but with reflecting barriers at L_c and $-L_c$.



Model within step dynamics

$$Q = \left(\begin{array}{c|c} A & B \\ \hline 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} k_{1+,1+} & k_{1+,2+} & 0 & 0 & k_{1+,4-} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & k_{2+,2+} & k_{2+,3+} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & k_{3+,2+} & k_{3+,3+} & k_{3+,4+} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & k_{4+,3+} & k_{4+,4+} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & k_{4-,4-} & k_{4-,3-} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & k_{3-,4-} & k_{3-,3-} & k_{3-,2-} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & k_{2-,3-} & k_{2-,2-} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & K_{2+,1*} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ k_{4+,1++} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & k_{4-,1*} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & k_{2-,1-} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Aggregated Markov Chains

$$\mu_\tau = -aA^{-1}\mathbf{1}'$$

$$\sigma_\tau^2 = 2aA^{-1}A^{-1}\mathbf{1}' - (\nu A^{-1}\mathbf{1}')^2$$

Wang and Qian on kinetic models for motors.

Milescu et al on MLE for motor dwell time.

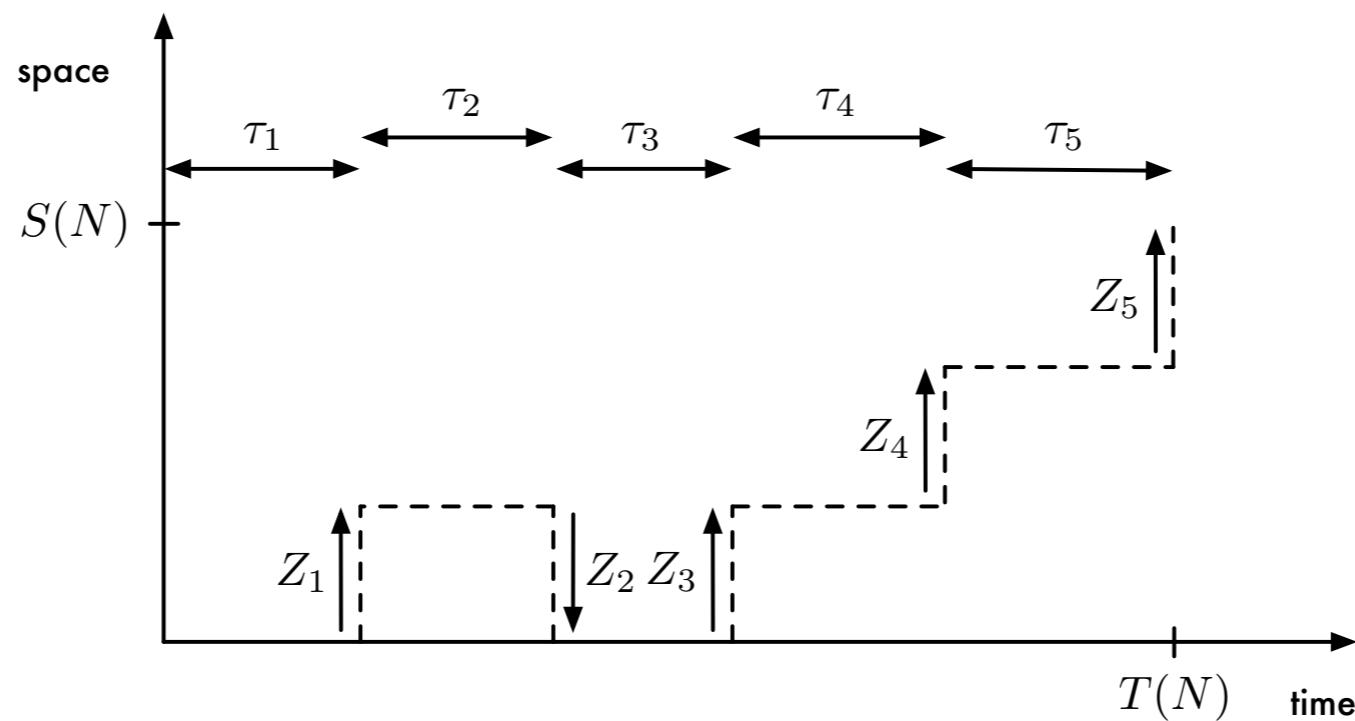
Fredkin and Rice a comprehensive look.

Colquhoun and Hawkes with ion channels.

Queueing Literataure–Asmussen, Neuts+others

A Semi-Markov Framework

$$X(t) = \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} Z_i$$
$$N(t) = \max\{n : \sum_{i=1}^n \tau_i \leq t\}$$



Standard Quantities

$$V_\infty = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{X(t)}{t} = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{L \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} Z_i}{t} = L \frac{\mu_Z}{\mu_\tau}$$

$$D = \frac{L^2}{2} \left(\frac{\mu_Z^2 \sigma_\tau^2}{\mu_\tau^3} + \frac{\sigma_Z^2}{\mu_\tau} - 2 \frac{\mu_Z \sigma_{Z,\tau}}{\mu_\tau^2} \right)$$

$$n^{-1/2} (X(nt) - V_\infty nt) \Rightarrow \sqrt{2D} B(t)$$

Functional Central Limit Theorem

Define

$$S(t) = \sum_{i=0}^{\lfloor t \rfloor} Z_i \quad T(t) = \sum_{i=0}^{\lfloor t \rfloor} \tau_i$$

$$n^{-1/2} \begin{pmatrix} S(nt) - \mu_Z nt \\ T(nt) - \mu_\tau nt \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} B_1(t) \\ B_2(t) \end{pmatrix}$$

where the covariance matrix is

$$\Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_Z^2 & \sigma_{Z,\tau} \\ \sigma_{Z,\tau} & \sigma_\tau^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

FCLT and Delta Method

Note that $X(t) = S(\tau^{-1}(t))$.

Now, if we define

$$X_n(t) = n^{-1/2} \left(S(\tau^{-1}(nt)) - \frac{\mu_Z}{\mu_\tau} nt \right),$$

and we apply a continuous mapping theorem.

$$X_n(t) \Rightarrow B_1 \left(\frac{t}{\mu_\tau} \right) - \frac{\mu_Z}{\mu_\tau} B_2 \left(\frac{t}{\mu_\tau} \right).$$

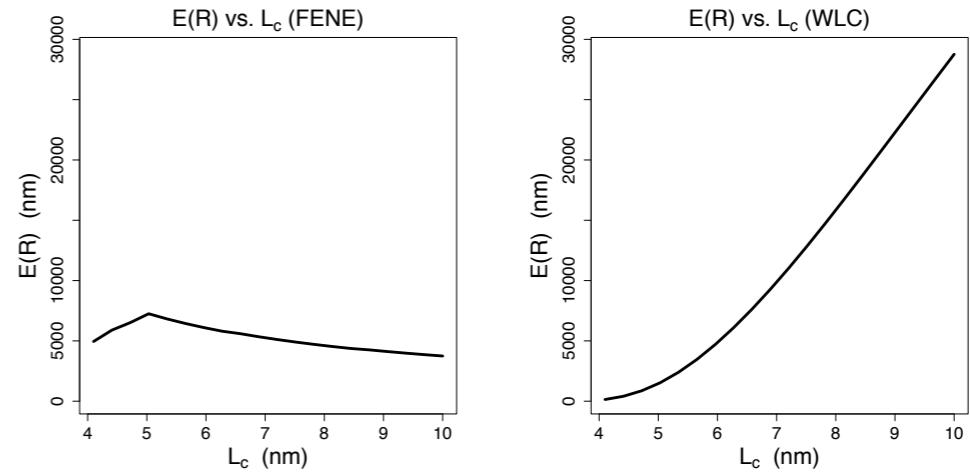
Or

$$X_n(t) = n^{-1/2} \left(X(nt) - \frac{\mu_Z}{\mu_\tau} nt \right) \Rightarrow \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_Z^2}{\mu_\tau} + \frac{\mu_Z^2 \sigma_\tau^2}{\mu_\tau^3} - 2 \frac{\mu_Z \sigma_{Z,\tau}}{\mu_\tau^2}} B(t).$$

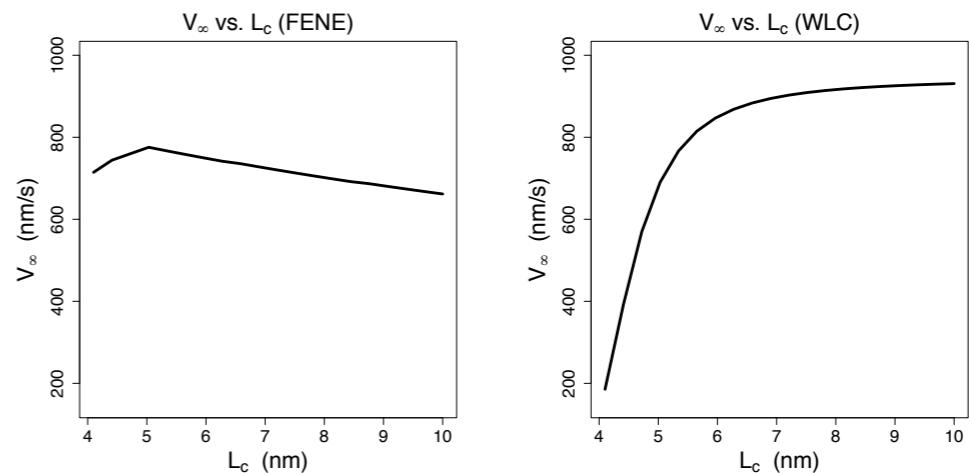
$$X(nt) \approx \frac{\mu_Z}{\mu_\tau} nt + n^{1/2} \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_Z^2}{\mu_\tau} + \frac{\mu_Z^2 \sigma_\tau^2}{\mu_\tau^3} - 2 \frac{\mu_Z \sigma_{Z,\tau}}{\mu_\tau^2}} B(t).$$

Results for First Model

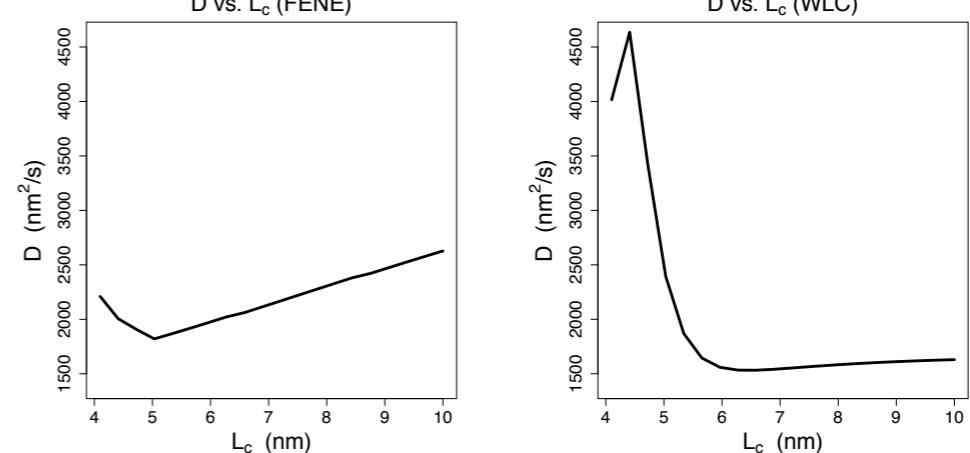
► Run length is unaffected/reduced in experiments.



► Run length decreases mildly in FENE



► Run length increases rapidly for WLC.

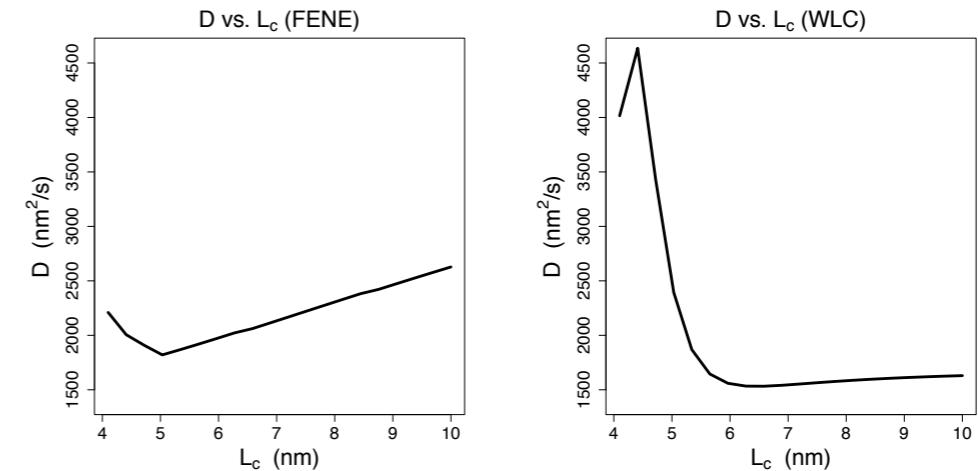
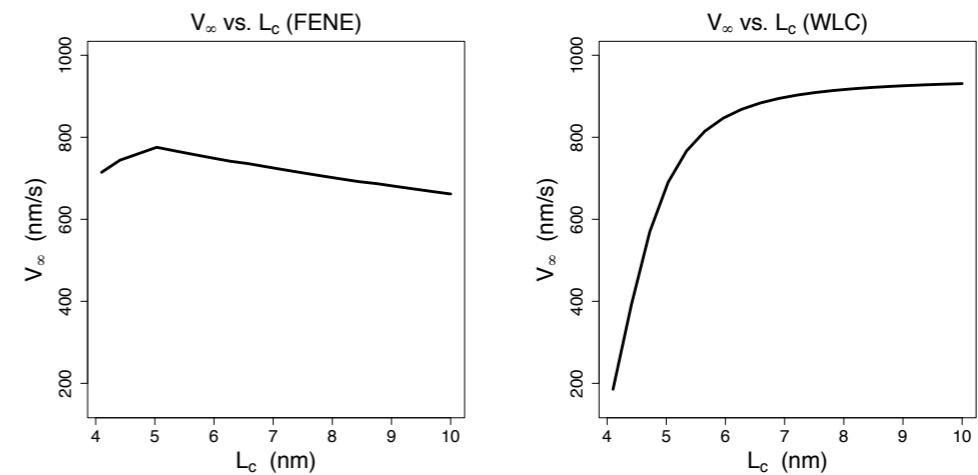
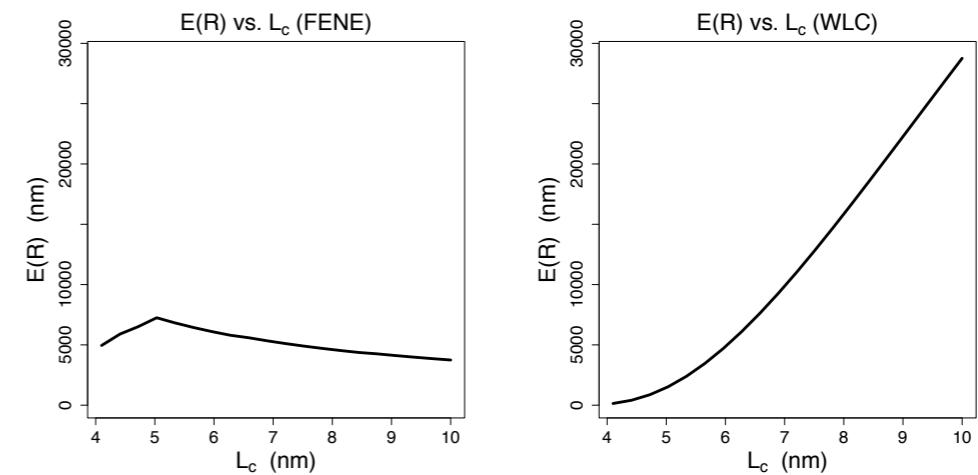
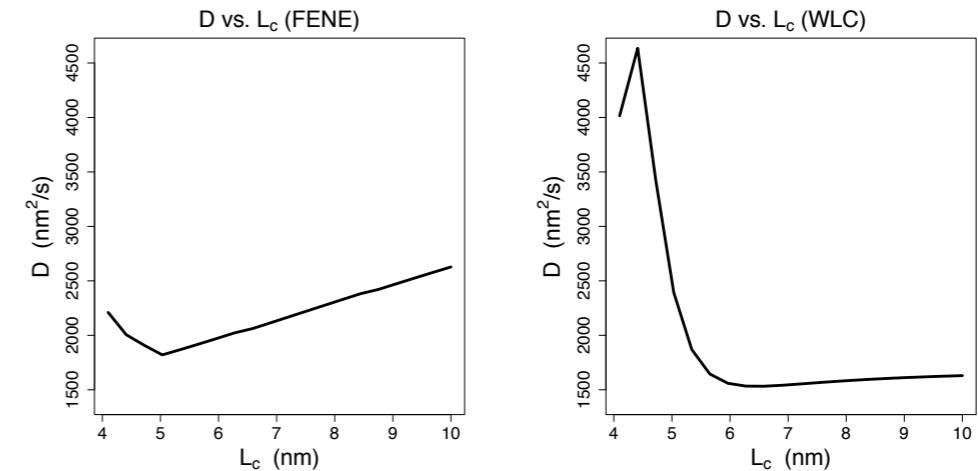
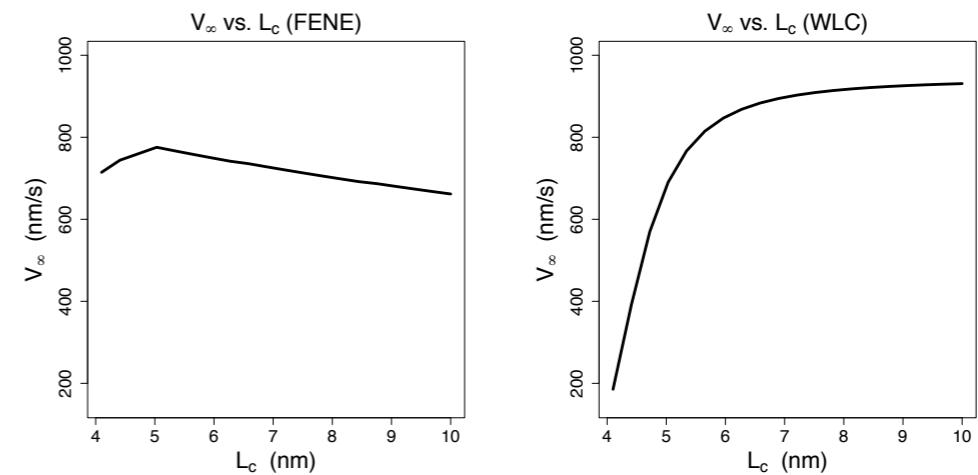
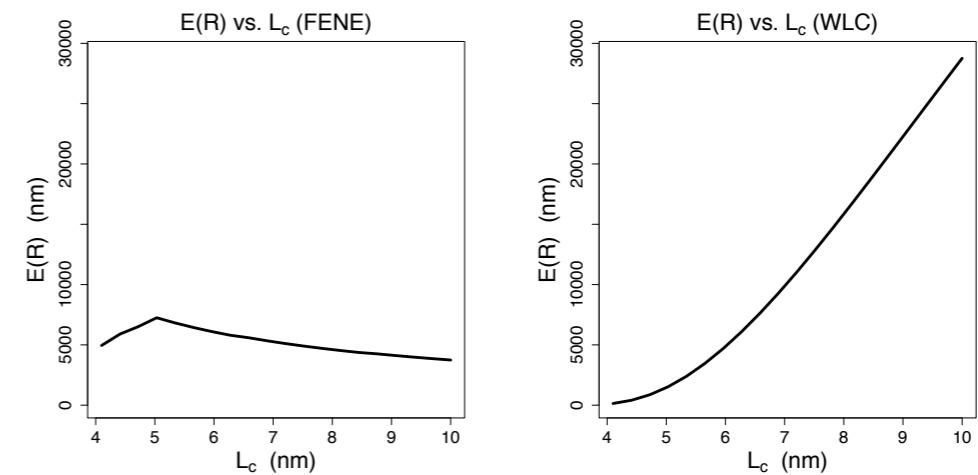


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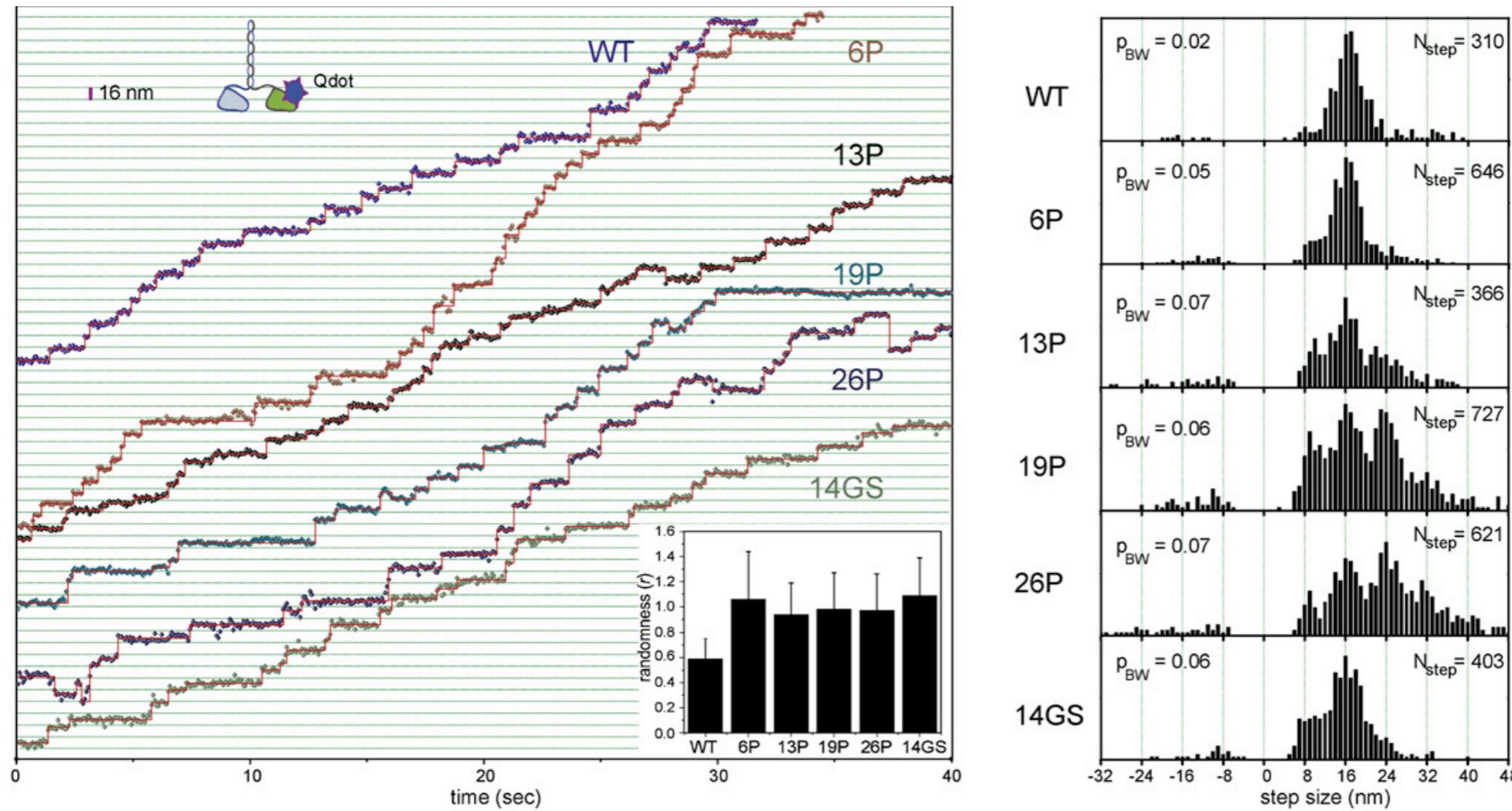
► Velocity decreases for experiments.

► Velocity decreases for FENE.

► Velocity increases for WLC.

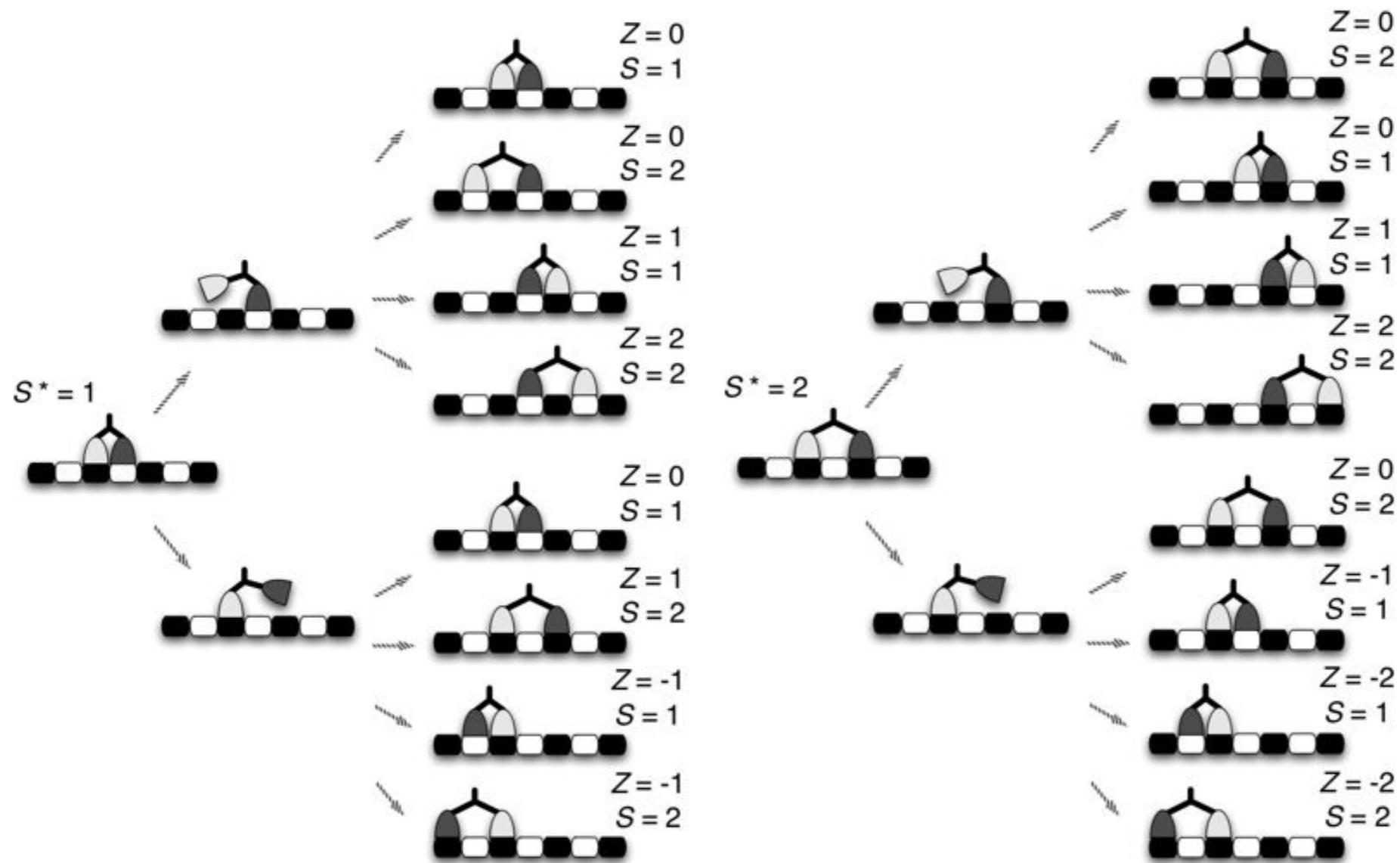


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Mathematical Model-Second Attempt



Mathematical Model–Second Attempt

- The tension between the heads will be different depending on the distance.
- We include this tension in the rate to unbind when both heads are bound.

Mathematical Model–Second Attempt

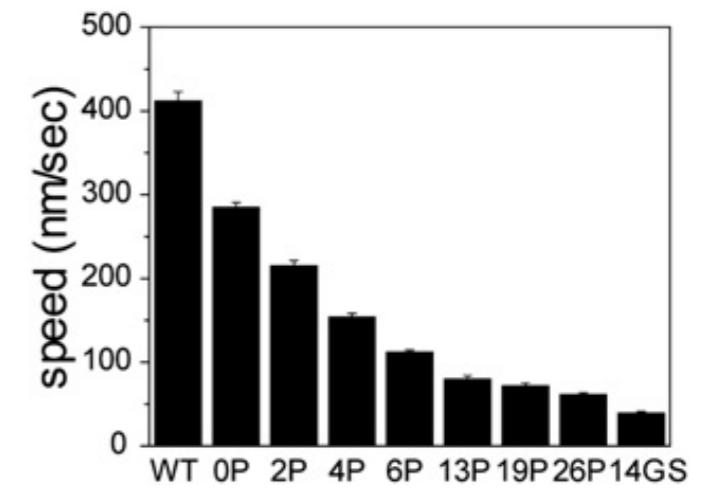
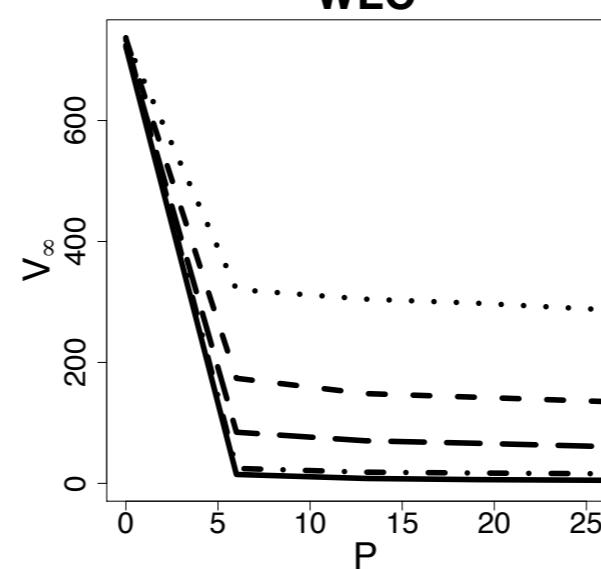
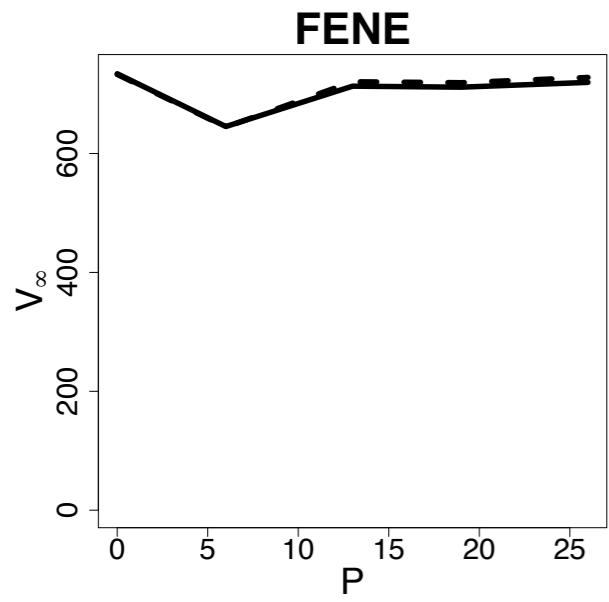
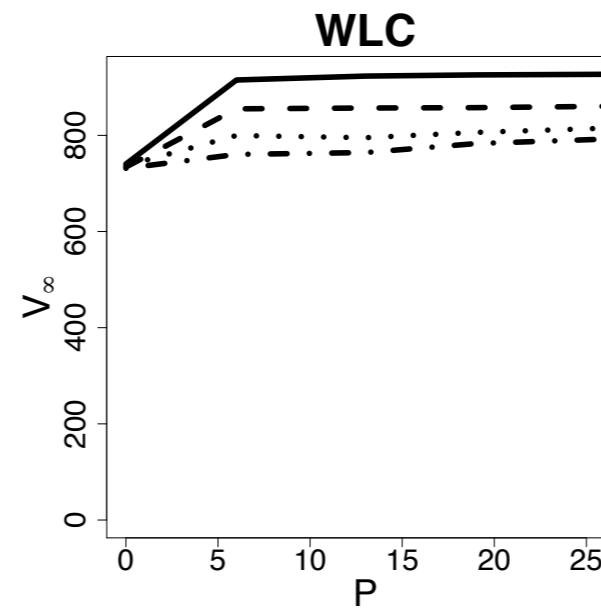
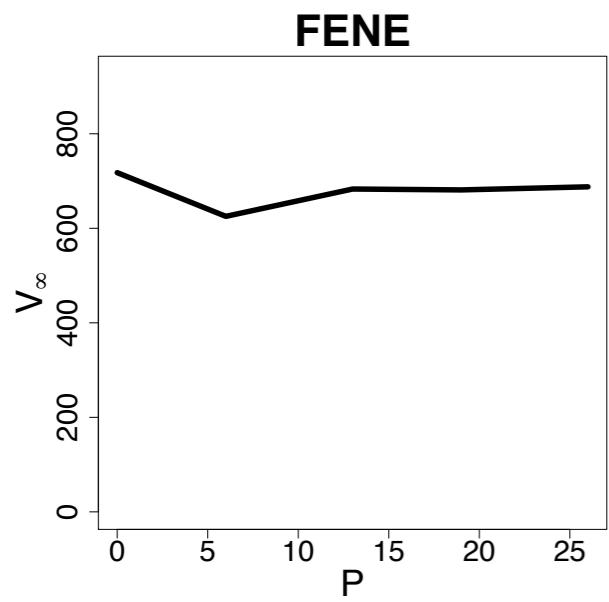
$$\begin{pmatrix} Z_i \\ \tau_i \\ S_i \end{pmatrix}$$

S_i is a Markov chain describing the distance between heads after previous cycle.

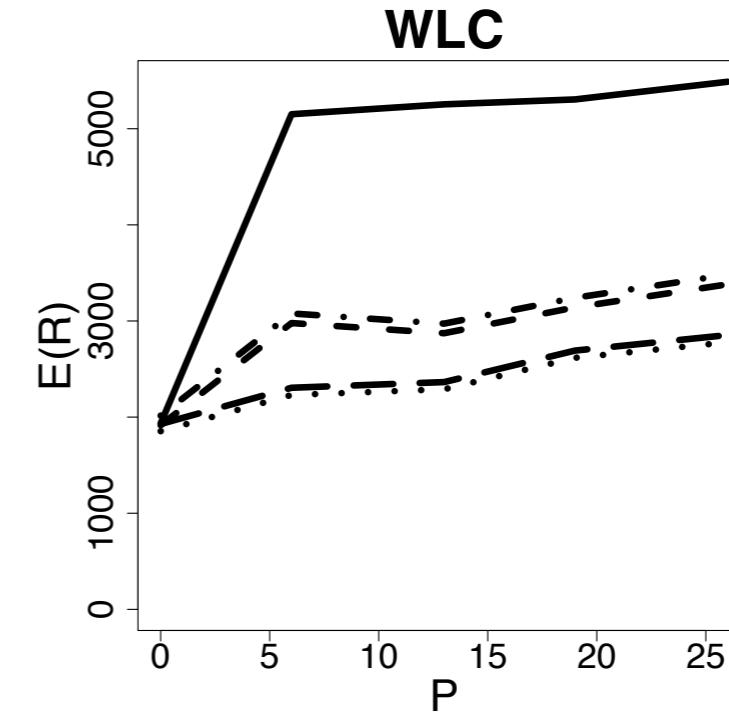
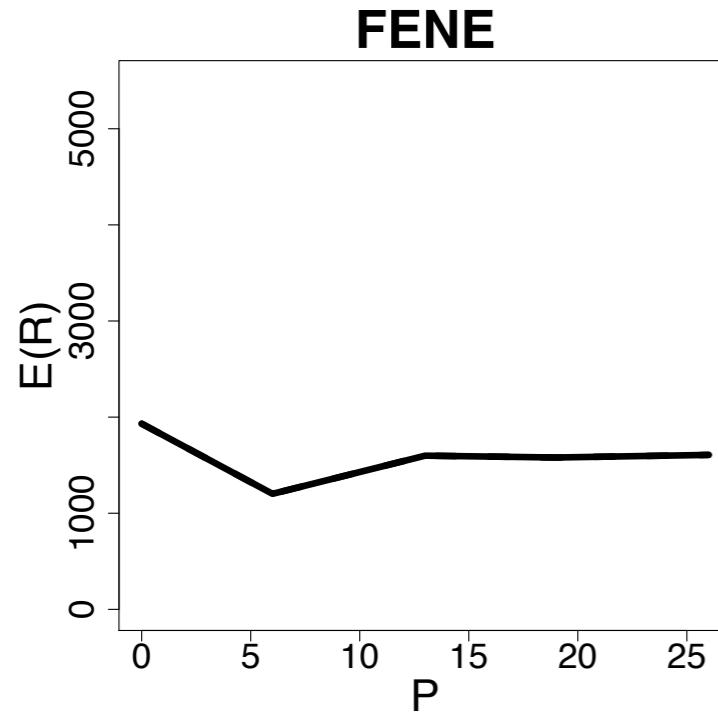
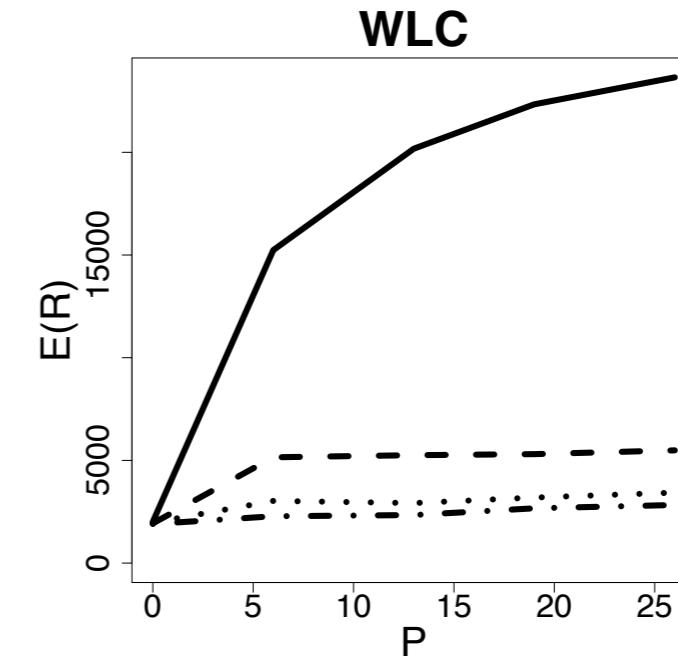
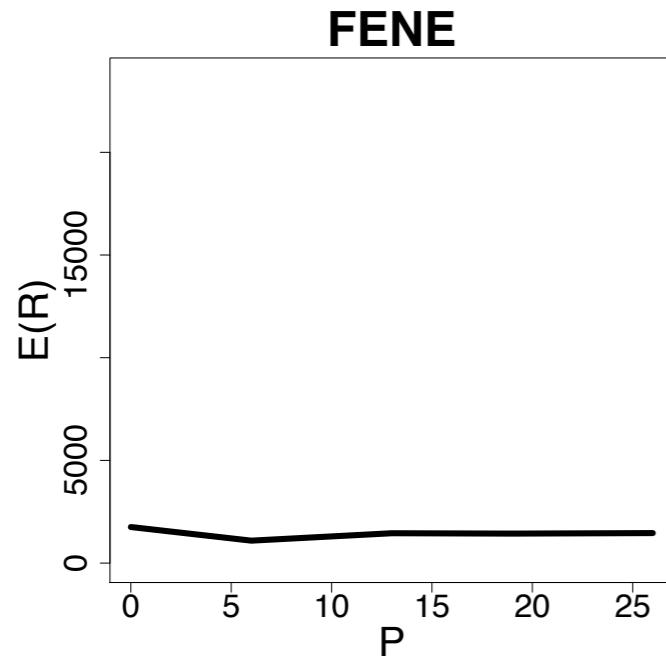
The position of the front head after a full cycle

$$X(t) = \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} Z_i$$

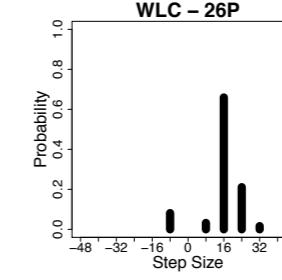
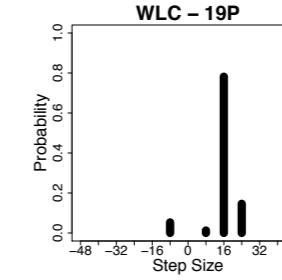
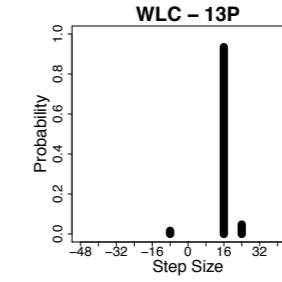
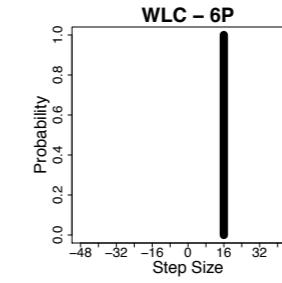
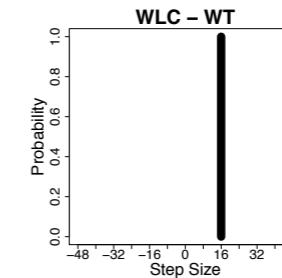
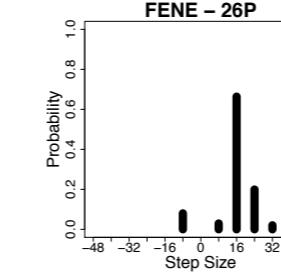
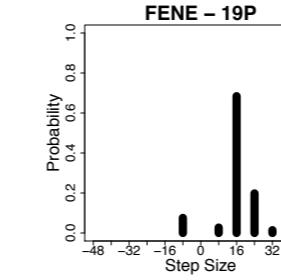
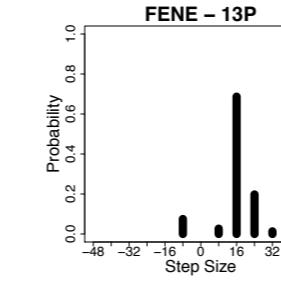
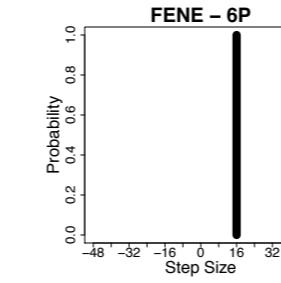
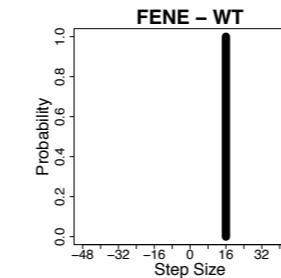
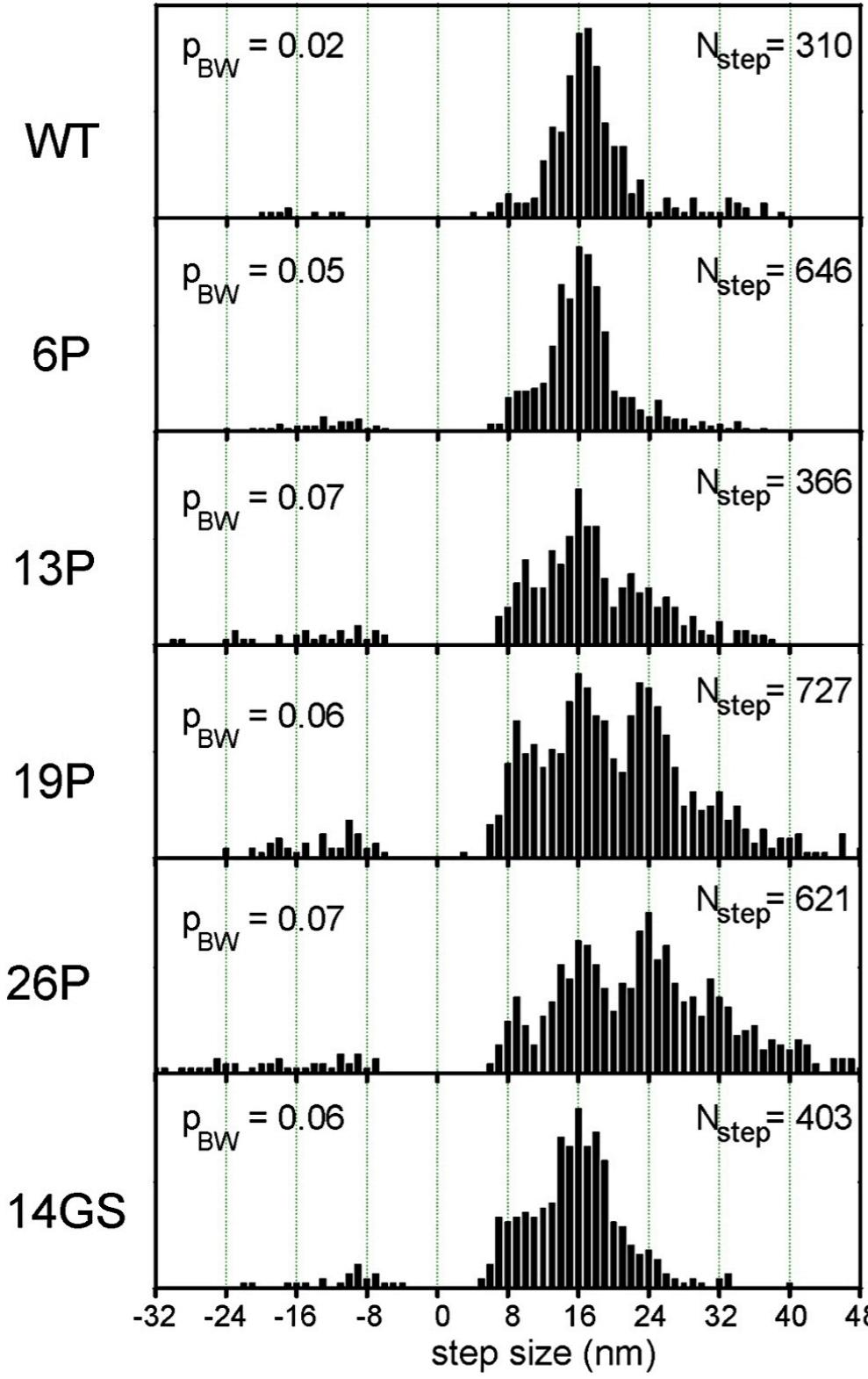
Results for Second Attempt



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Random Stopping

- asymptotic distribution of empirical asymptotic velocity

$$\hat{V} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N Z_i}{\sum_{i=1}^N \tau_i}$$

- the Pearson VII distribution

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \left(\hat{V} - \frac{\mu_Z}{\mu_\tau} \right) \Rightarrow P_{VII}$$

Why it works

Recall

$$S(t) = \sum_{i=0}^{\lfloor t \rfloor} Z_i \quad T(t) = \sum_{i=0}^{\lfloor t \rfloor} \tau_i$$

$$\eta_n = \frac{1}{n} T(N) \Rightarrow \eta = \mu_\tau \varepsilon$$

$$\frac{X_n(t)}{t} = n^{-1/2} \left(\frac{S(T^{-1}(nt))}{t} - \frac{\mu_Z}{\mu_\tau} n \right) \Rightarrow \sqrt{2D} \frac{B(t)}{t}$$

So,

$$\frac{X_n(\eta_n)}{\eta_n} = n^{-1/2} \left(\frac{S(T^{-1}(n\eta_n))}{\eta_n} - \frac{\mu_Z}{\mu_\tau} n \right) \Rightarrow \sqrt{2D} \frac{B(\eta)}{\eta}$$

or

$$\frac{X_n(\eta_n)}{\eta_n} = n^{-1/2} \left(\frac{S(N)}{T(N)} - \frac{\mu_Z}{\mu_\tau} \right) \Rightarrow \sqrt{2D} \frac{B(\eta)}{\eta}$$

Random Stopping

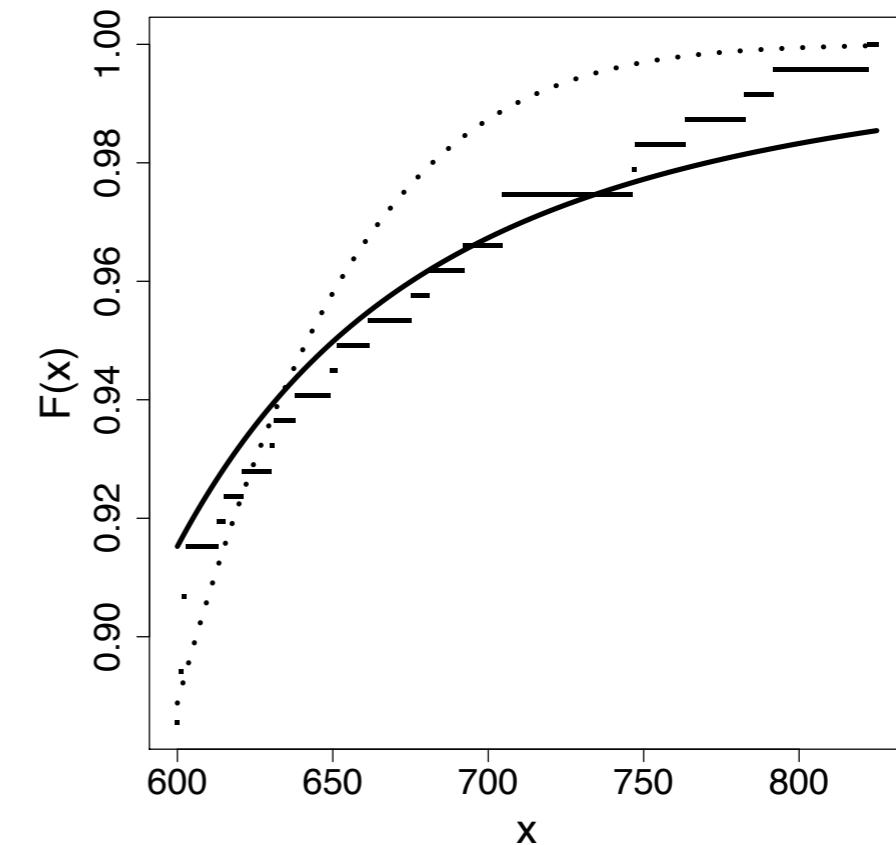
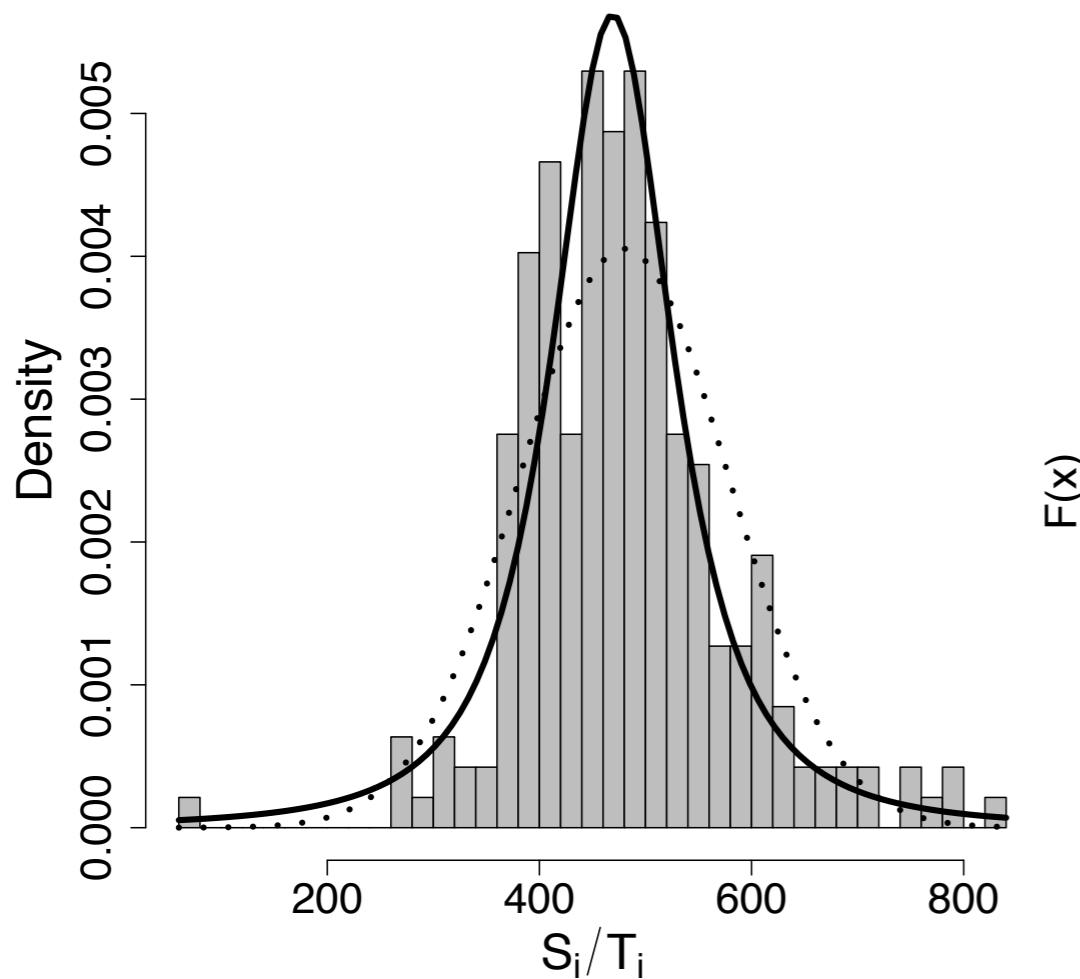
► The Pearson VII distribution

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma\beta(\alpha - \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})} \left(1 + \left(\frac{x - \mu}{\sigma}\right)^2\right)^{-\alpha}$$

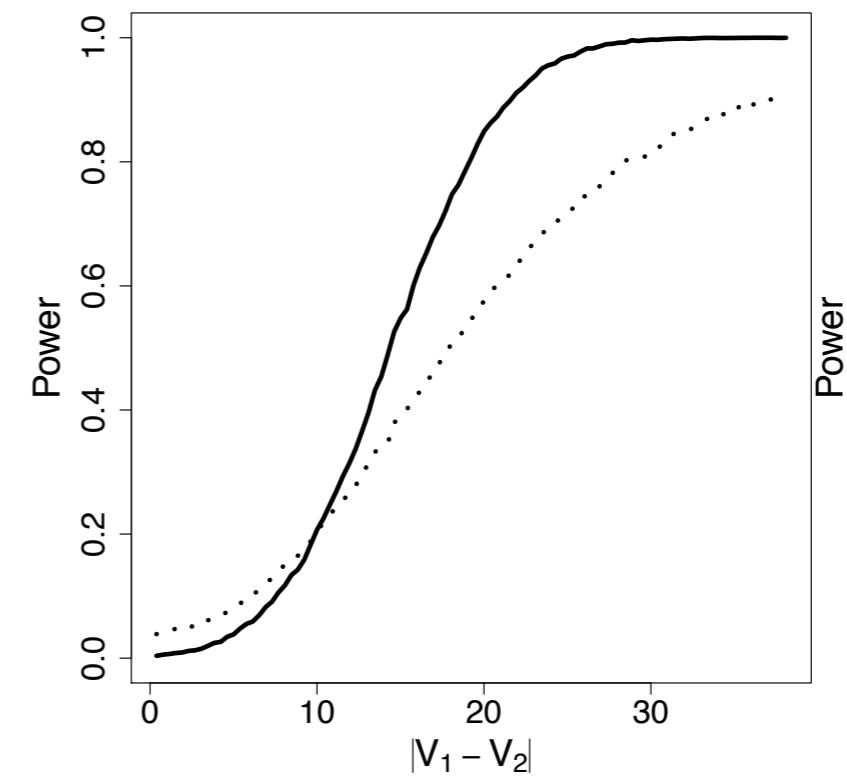
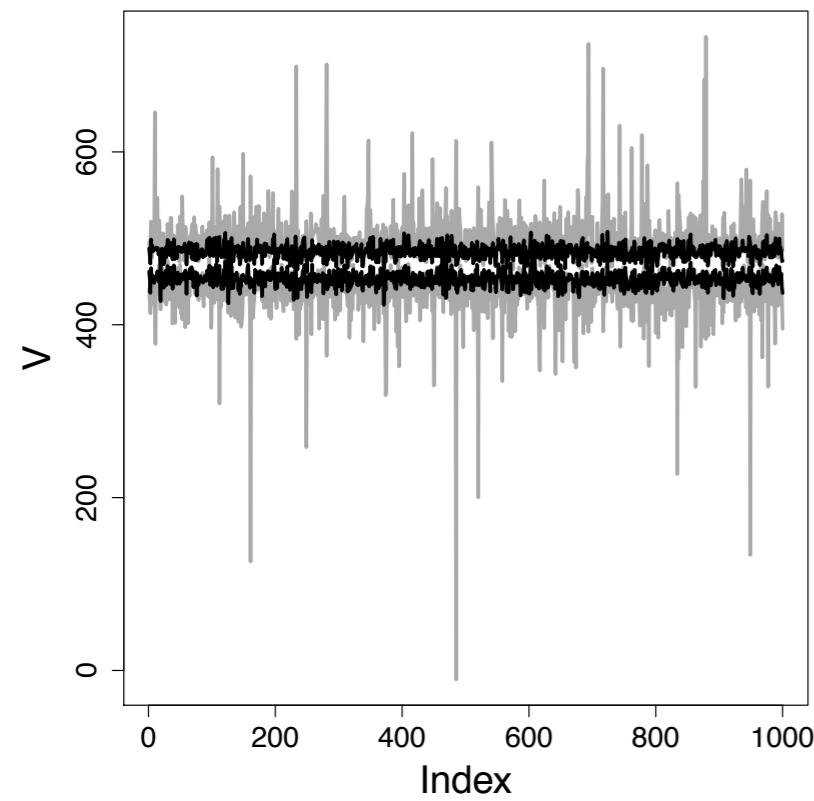
$$f(x) = \frac{1}{2\sigma} \left(1 + \left(\frac{x - \mu}{\sigma}\right)^2\right)^{-3/2}$$

Pearson VII

- ▶ The mean exists and equals the asymptotic velocity.
- ▶ Variance is infinite.
- ▶ Confidence intervals on the order of half the width.



Pearson VII



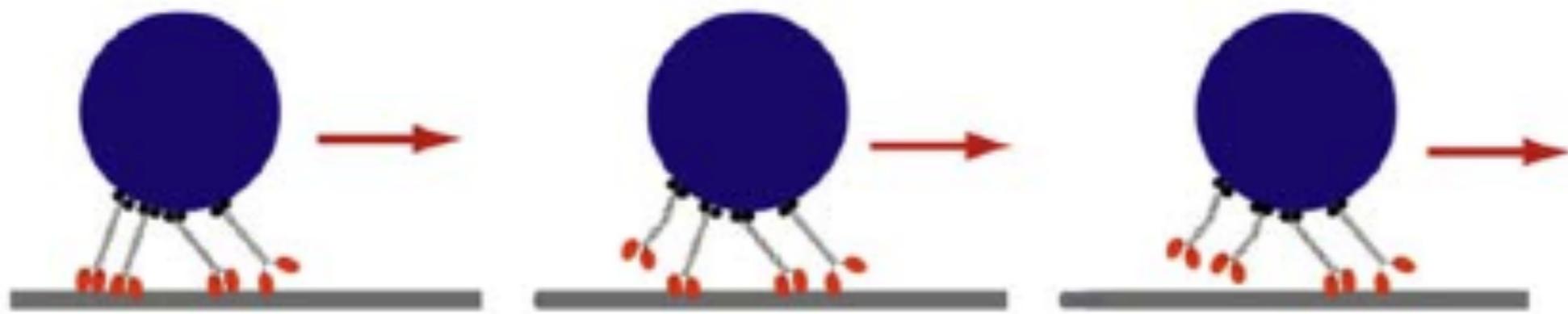
Conclusions Nanoscale to Mesoscale

- ▶ The WLC model gives qualitatively similar behavior to experiments.
- ▶ Matrix based methods allow for computationally efficient sensitivity analysis with respect to parameters and modeling choices.
- ▶ A general Semi-Markov structure allows for concrete statistical models.

Conclusions Nanoscale to Mesoscale

- ▶ Nanoscale features give rise to a mesoscale model–Brownian motion.
- ▶ What happens if there is feedback such as an imposed force (cargo, laser trap, etc)?

Multiple Motors



$$dX_i(t) = vg(F(X_i(t) - Z(t))/F_*) dt + \sigma h(F(X_i(t) - Z(t))/F_*) dW_i(t)$$

$$\gamma dZ(t) = \left[\sum_{i=1}^N F(X_i(t), Z(t)) - \theta \right] dt + \sqrt{2k_B T \gamma} dW_z(t).$$

v average velocity of unconstrained motor $\sim 50\text{nm/s}$

F_* stall force $\sim 7\text{pN}$

θ optical track force ~ 0 to 10pN

$F(\cdot)$ spring force function linear with spring constant $\sim 0.34\text{pN/m}$

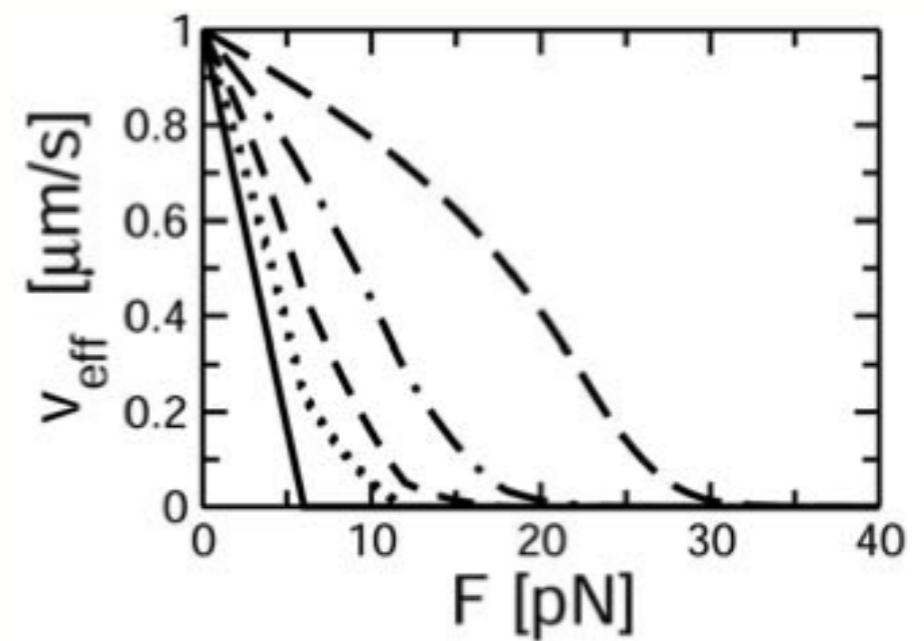
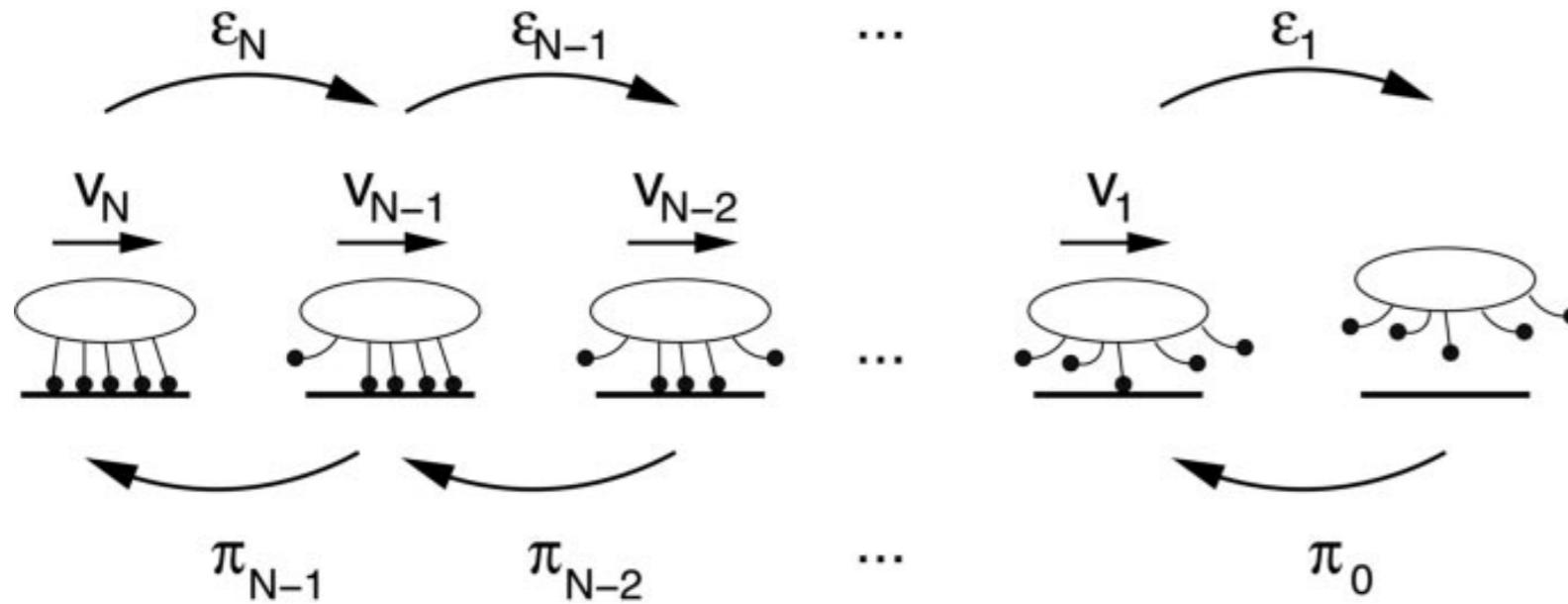
$g(\cdot)$ non-dimensional instantaneous force-velocity function.

$h(\cdot)$ non-dimensional instantaneous force-diffusivity function.

σ^2 effective diffusivity $\sim 500\text{nm/s}$

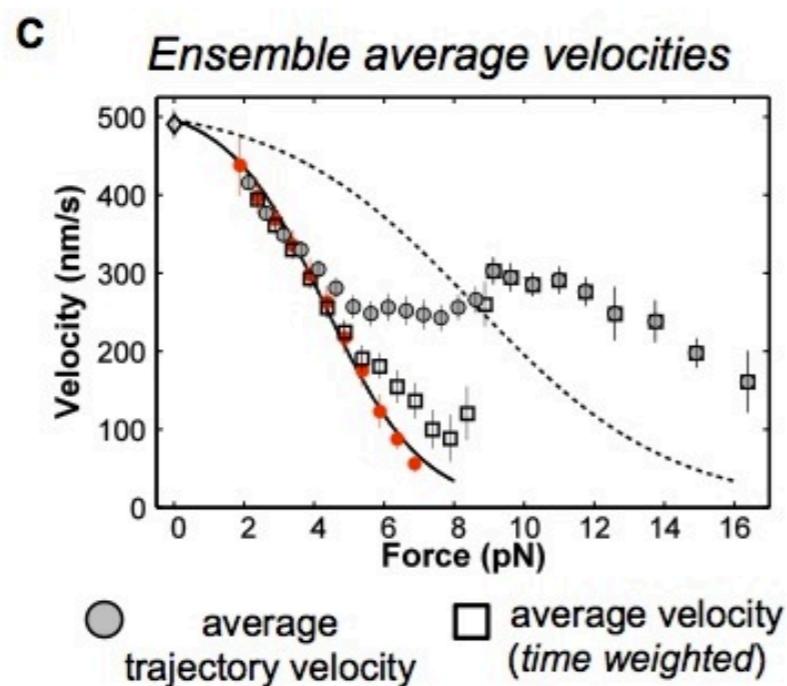
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Motor Cargo Systems

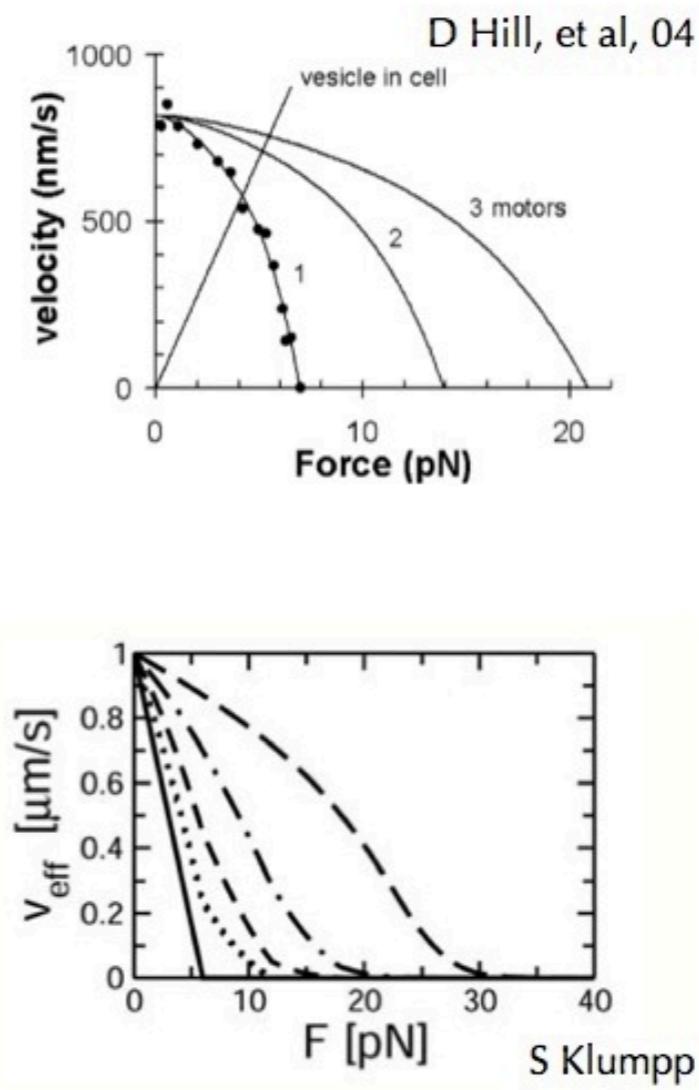


Some Data

External force vs. average velocity curves



Diehl Lab, Biophys J.2010



Averaged Equations

$$d\tilde{X}_i(\tilde{t}) = \epsilon g(s(\tilde{X}_i(\tilde{t}) - \tilde{Z}(\tilde{t}))) d\tilde{t} + \sqrt{\epsilon\rho} dW_i(\tilde{t})$$

$$d\tilde{Z}(\tilde{t}) = \sum_{i=1}^N \left(\tilde{X}_i(\tilde{t}) - \tilde{Z}(\tilde{t}) - \frac{\tilde{\theta}}{N} \right) d\tilde{t} + dW_z(\tilde{t}).$$

$$\tilde{t} = \kappa/\gamma t.$$

$$\epsilon = \frac{\nu\gamma}{\sqrt{2k_B T \kappa}} \text{ friction force/thermal force} \sim 10^{-4}$$

$$s = \frac{\sqrt{2k_B T \kappa}}{F_s} \text{ stallability} \sim 0.1$$

$$\rho = \frac{\sigma^2 \sqrt{2\kappa}}{\nu \sqrt{k_B T}}$$

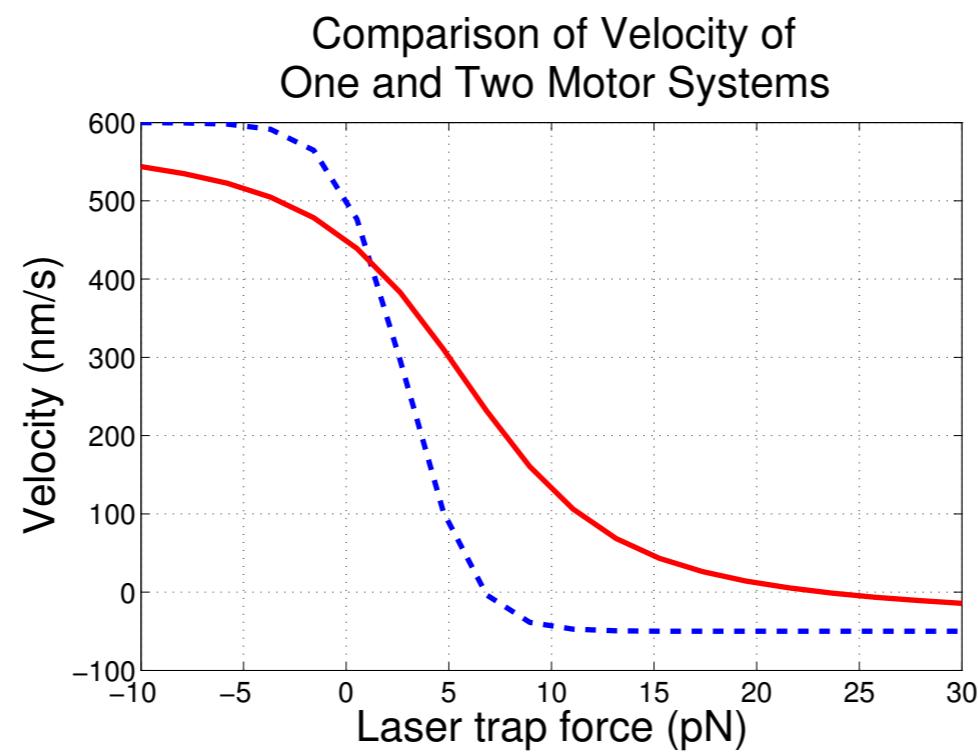
Special Case

$$\begin{aligned}\mathrm{d}M(\bar{t}) &= \frac{1}{2}\left[G(R(\bar{t})-\tilde{\theta})+G(-R(\bar{t})-\tilde{\theta}))\right]\mathrm{d}\bar{t}+\sqrt{\frac{\rho}{2}}\,\mathrm{d}W_m(\bar{t}), \\ \mathrm{d}R(\bar{t}) &= -\left[G(R(\bar{t})-\tilde{\theta})-G(-R(\bar{t})-\tilde{\theta})\right]\,\mathrm{d}\bar{t}+\sqrt{2\rho}\,\mathrm{d}W_r(\bar{t}).\end{aligned}$$

$$\hat{\mathcal{V}}_2(\tilde{\theta}):=\lim_{\bar{t}\rightarrow\infty}\frac{M(\bar{t})}{\bar{t}}=\int_{\mathbb{R}}\frac{1}{2}G_+(r;\theta)\pi_R(r;\tilde{\theta})\mathrm{d}r.$$

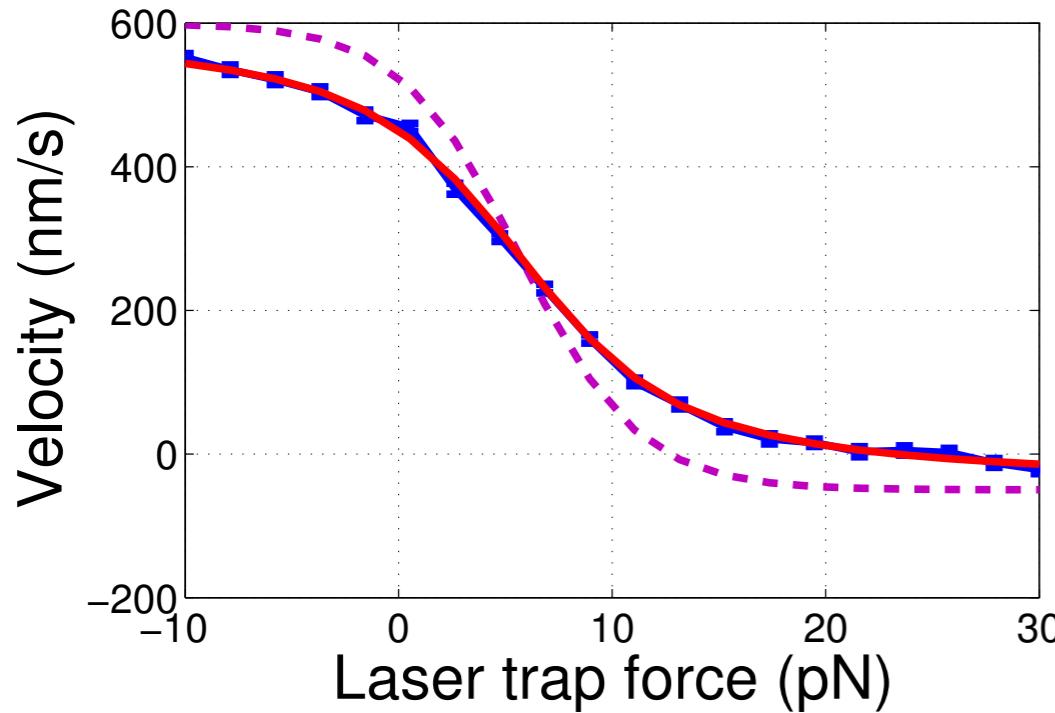
$$\hat{\mathcal{D}}_2(\tilde{\theta}):=\frac{\rho}{4}+\int_{-\infty}^{\infty}\left(\int_{-\infty}^r\left(\frac{1}{2}G_+(r';\theta)-\hat{\mathcal{V}}_2(\tilde{\theta})\right)\pi_R(r';\tilde{\theta})\mathrm{d}r'\right)^2\frac{1}{\rho\pi_R(r;\tilde{\theta})}\mathrm{d}r.$$

Results

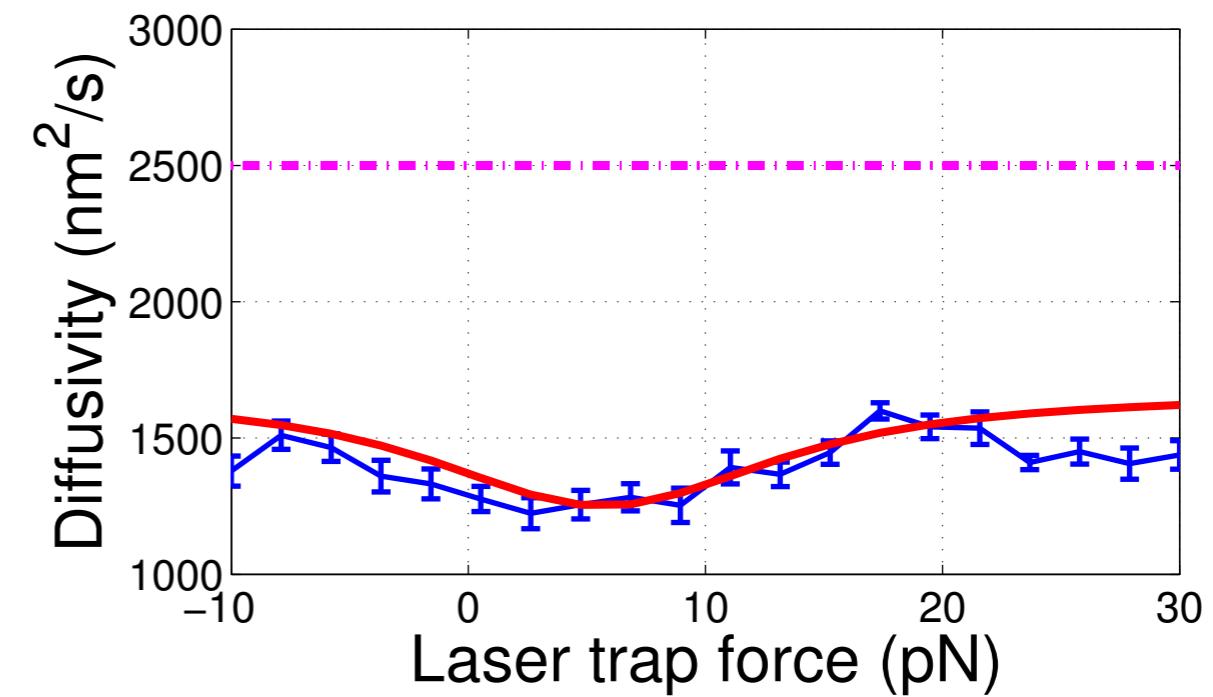


Results

Center of Mass Force–Velocity Relation
N=2 Motors



Center of Mass Force–Diffusivity Relation
N=2 Motors



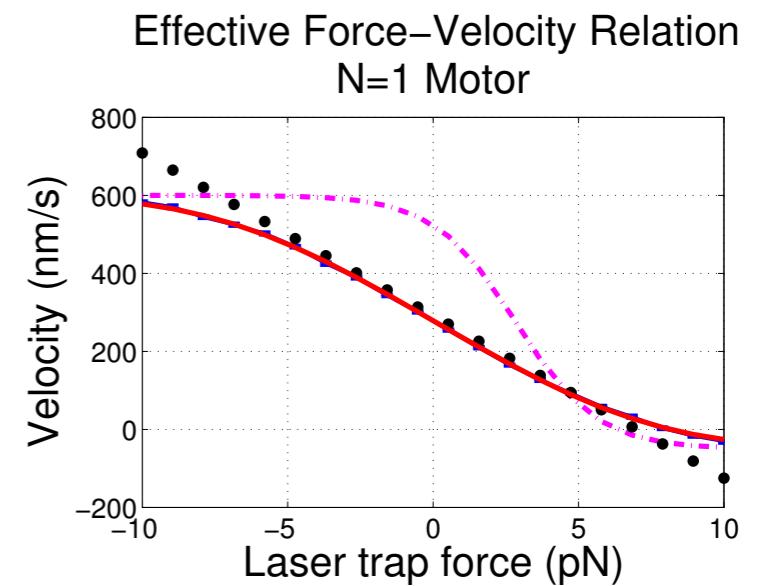
High Viscosity

$$d\check{X}(\bar{t}) = g(s\check{Y}(\bar{t})) d\bar{t} + \sqrt{\rho} dW_x(\bar{t})$$

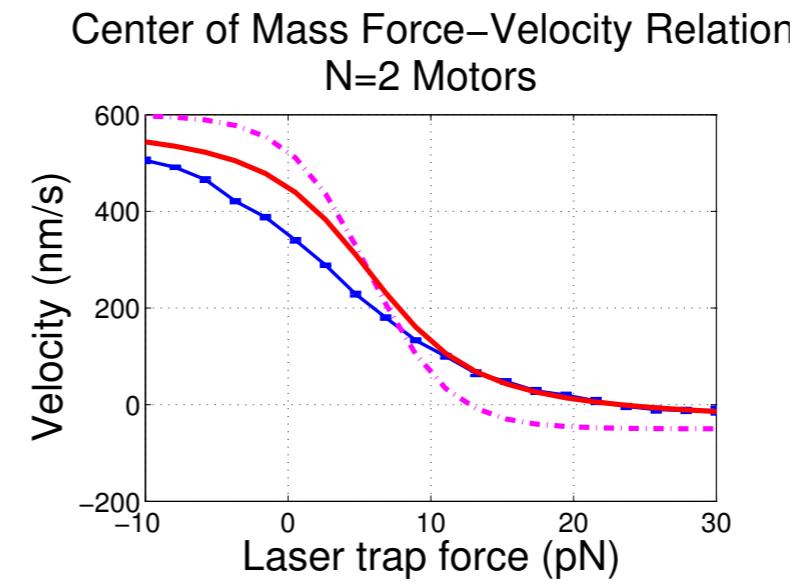
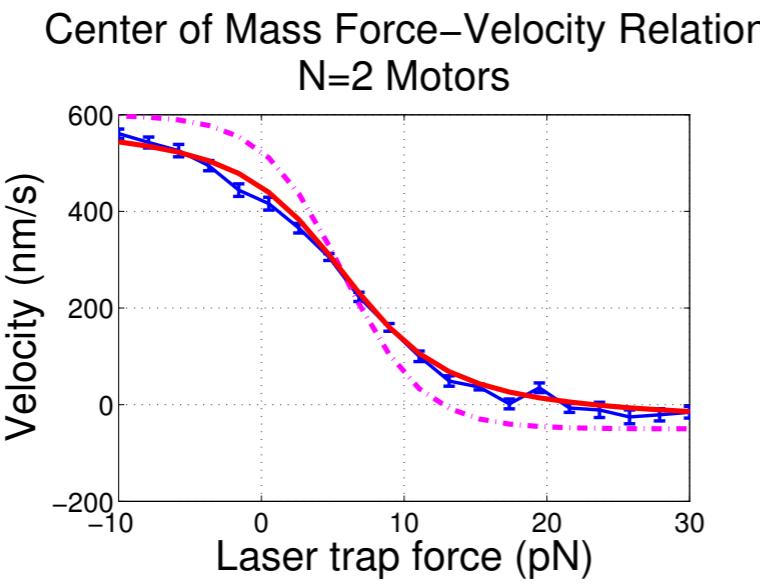
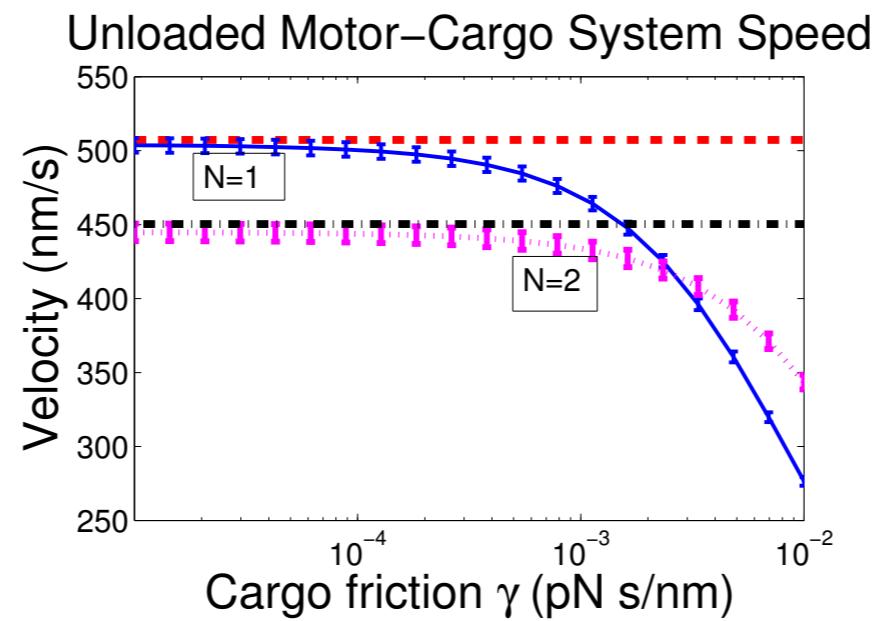
$$d\check{Y}(\bar{t}) = [g(s\check{Y}(\bar{t})) - \frac{1}{\epsilon}(\check{Y}(\bar{t}) - \tilde{\theta})] d\bar{t} + \sqrt{\rho + 1/\epsilon} dW_y(\bar{t}).$$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{X(t)}{t} &= v \int_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{1 + \epsilon\rho}{2\epsilon} \left[\frac{\partial \pi_Y(y)}{\partial y} + \frac{2(y - \tilde{\theta})}{1 + \epsilon\rho} \pi_Y(y) \right] dy \\ &= \frac{v}{\epsilon} \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}} (y - \tilde{\theta}) \pi_Y(y) dy \right) = \frac{v(\langle \check{Y} \rangle - \tilde{\theta})}{\epsilon} = \frac{\kappa \langle Y \rangle - \theta}{\gamma} \end{aligned}$$

$$V_1(\theta) \approx \frac{v(1 - \theta/F_*)}{1 + \gamma v/F_*}$$



Results



Multimotor Conclusions

- Dynamics of the cargo is faster than the velocity of the motor.
- Can give precise conditions on force-velocity curve when two motors are slower than one.
- Have explicit formulas for asymptotic velocity and effective diffusion of motor cargo complexes.
- Behavior breaks down in certain viscosity regimes. *in vivo vs in vitro*

Future Directions

- ▶ Switching. How do the dynamics change as motors become attached and detached?
- ▶ Tug-of-war. How do the dynamics change with more than one type of motor?
- ▶ Build feedback explicitly into nanoscale model of the motor. (Nanoscale to mesoscale.)
- ▶ How do these motor complexes interact with complex microtubule dynamics? (Mesoscale to microscale and higher)

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