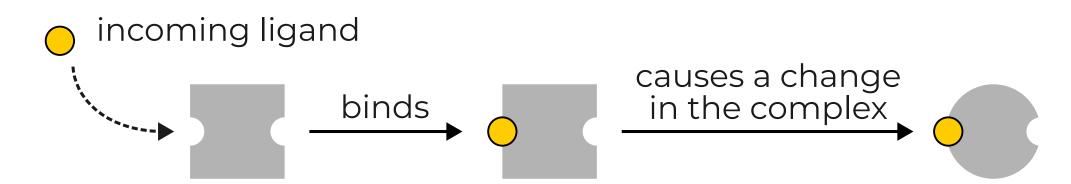
Functional dynamics in out-of-equilibrium allosteric assemblies

Jan Kocka, Jaime Agudo-Canalejo, Kabir Husain Department of Physics and Astronomy, UCL

Allostery is the communication between distant sites of a macromolecule, such as binding sites on a protein



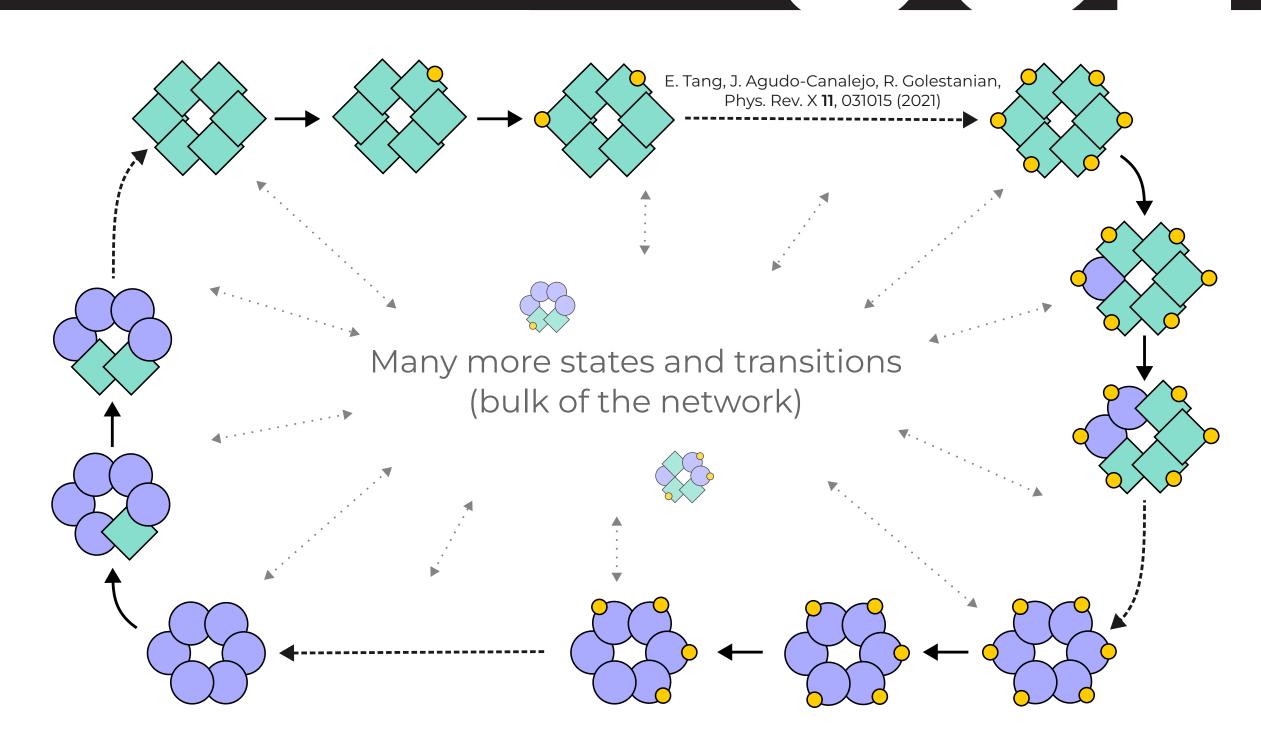
Equilibrium allostery

- > MWC, KNF and the comprehensive Ensemble Allostery Model
- > Cooperative binding, allosteric regulation/signalling

But there are **out-of-equilibrium** allosteric complexes such as AAA ATPases (*e.g.* cyanobacterial circadian clock KaiC or the DNA clamp loader)

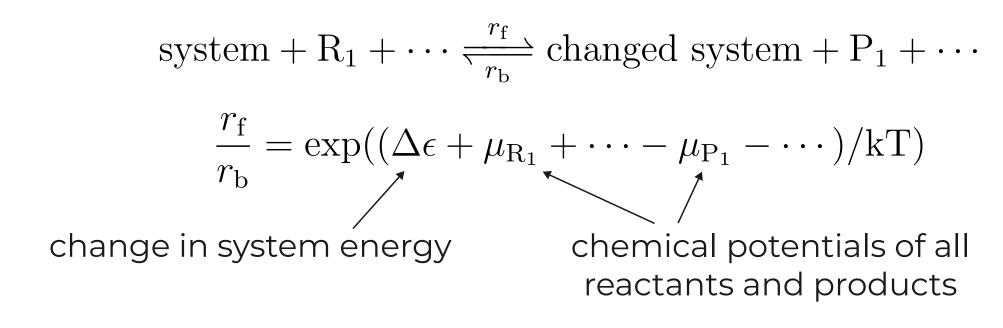
What new behaviour is possible out of equilibrium?

- >> Dynamic steady states
- > Oscillations (such as in KaiC or other circadian clocks)
- Sensitivity to initial conditions (memory/spontaneous symmetry breaking)
- Dimensionality reduction (constraining the dynamics to part of the state space)
- > Topologically protected states
- > Modified cooperative binding

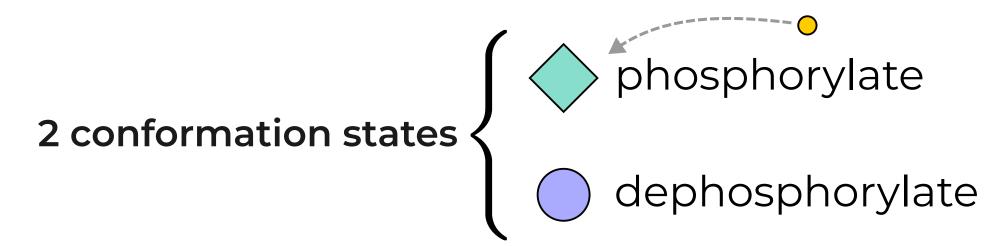


We build models to identify classes of behaviour in biology and guide synthetic designs

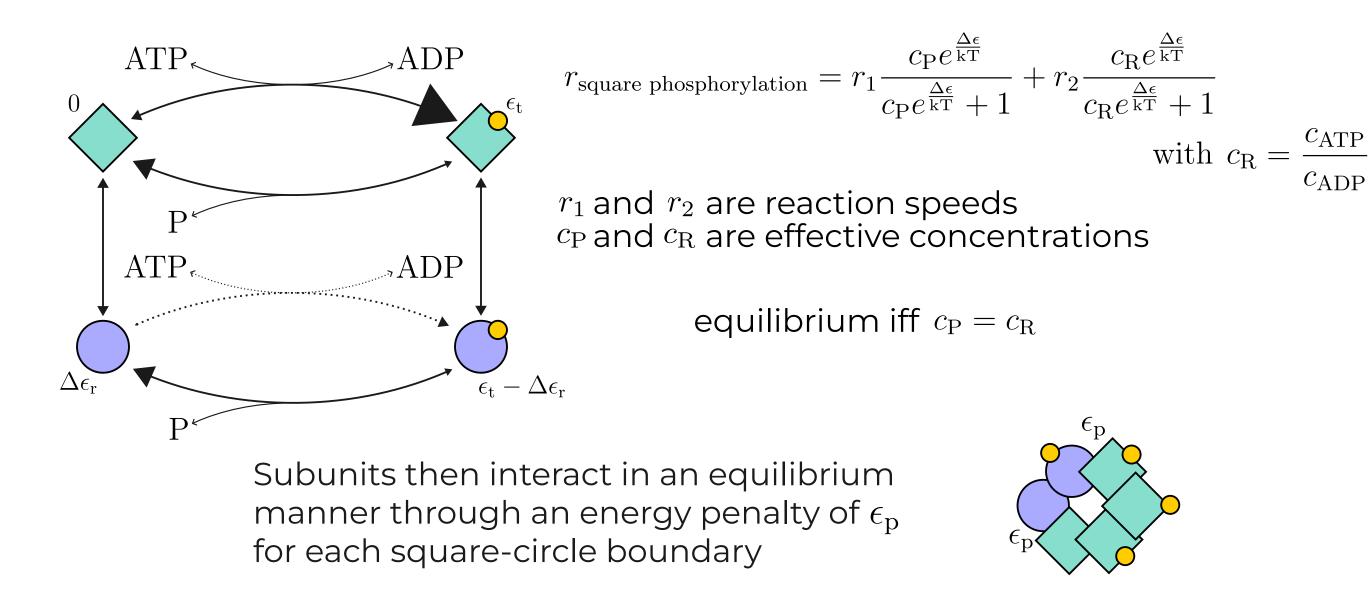
- > Models with **identical subunits** (polymer like)
- >> Statistical physics and graph theory methods
- >> Local (nearest-neighbour) interactions
- > Thermodynamically consistent transitions between system states (satisfying local detailed balance)



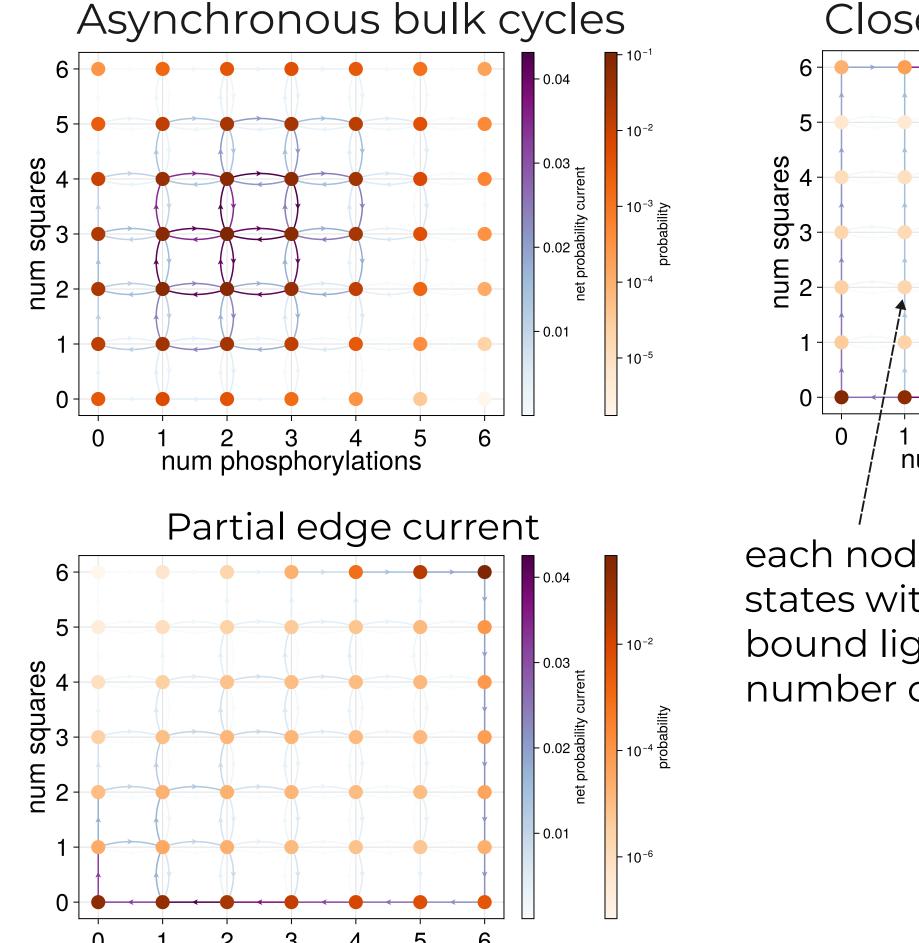
Towards topological edge currents in non-equilibrium assemblies



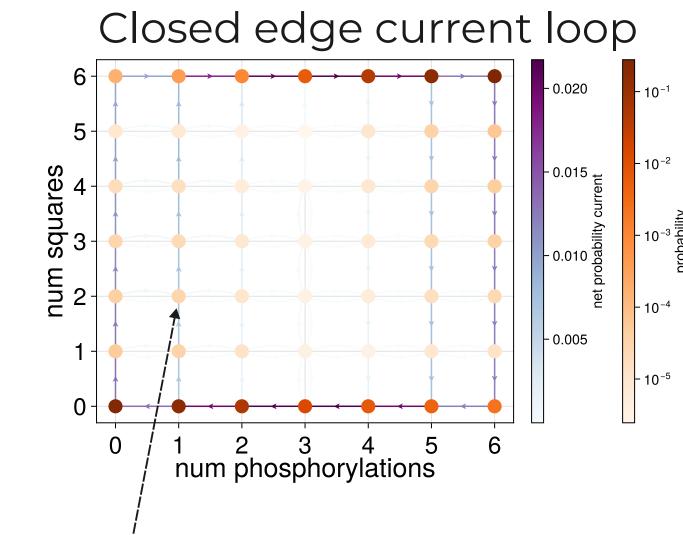
Including two different reactions brings the system out of equilibrium and allows individual subunits to perform **futile cycles**



What types of dynamical steady states can we get?



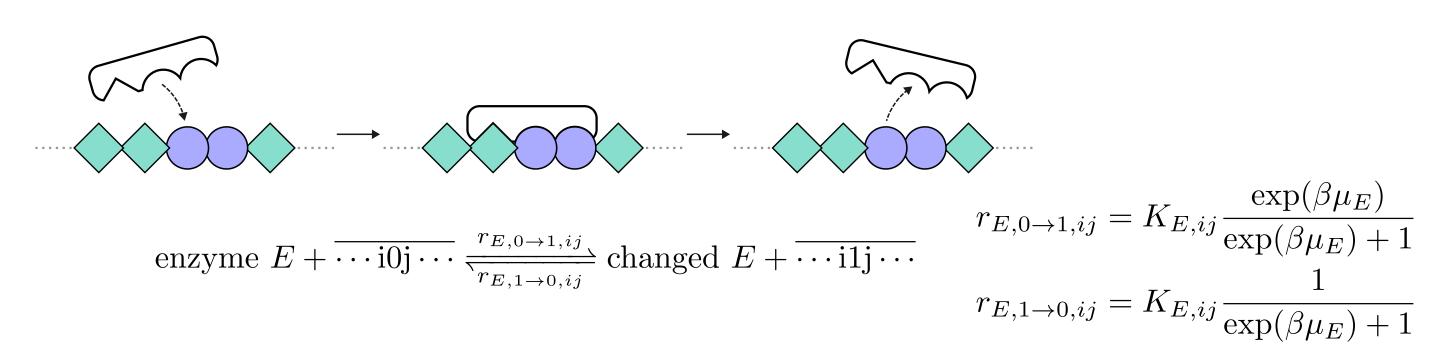
num phosphorylations



each node is a group of system states with the same number of bound ligands and the same number of squares/circles

Realizing molecular automata with site-specific enzymes

- > Bring out-of-equilibrium drive directly into the nearest-neighbour interactions
- > Equivalent to tochastic dynamics on **binary strings**
- > Potential implementation: context dependent enzymes



ightharpoonup For each enzyme μ_E determines its bias toward 0s or 1s and K_E which combination of neighbours it may act on

Maximally driven case: $\mu_{\rm E} o \pm \infty$

- > Fully specified by the presence of **up to 8 different enzymes**
- Can be mapped to a cellular automata rule

