

Data-driven methods and model reduction for the study of rare events in stochastic systems

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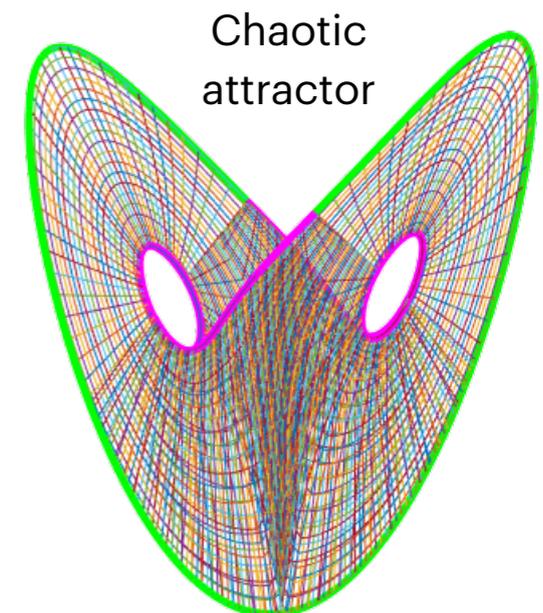
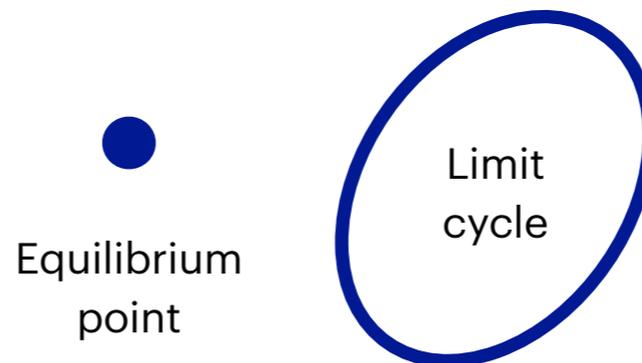
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ODE: $\frac{dx}{dt} = b(x)$

As $t \rightarrow \infty, x(t) \rightarrow$ an attractor

Attractors



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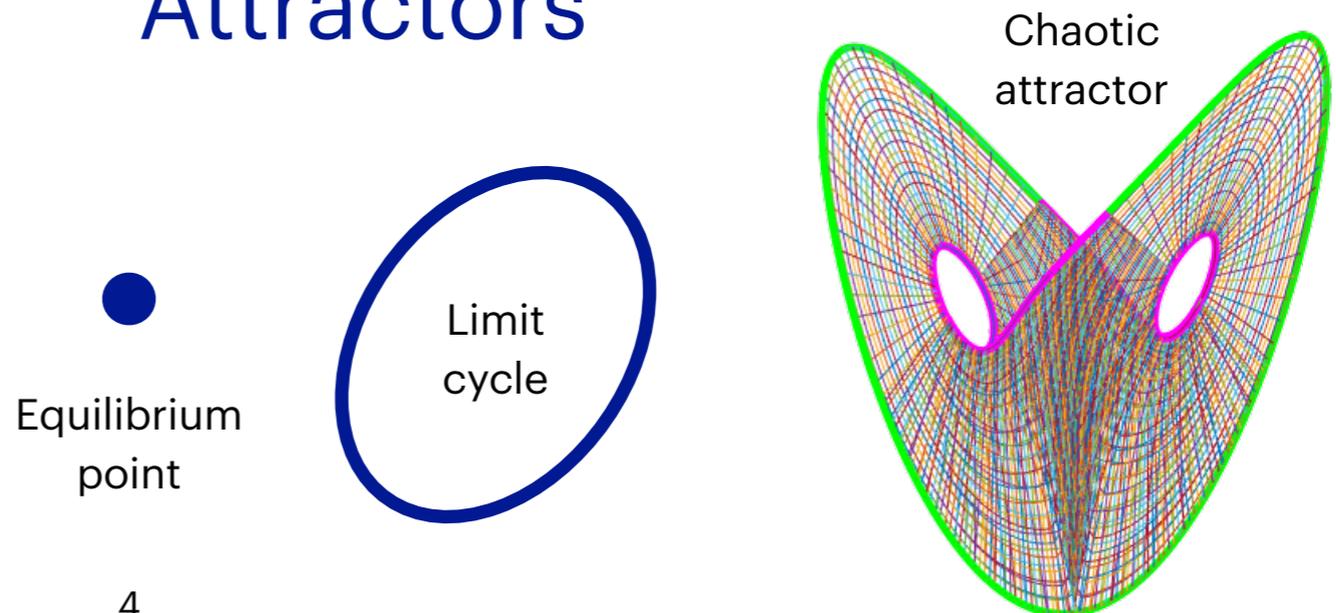
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The stochastic term enables transitions between attractors!

We want to find:

- Maximum likelihood transition paths
- Transition rates

Attractors



Example 1: population dynamics

Consumer-resource model of plankton x and their consumers y

(Collie and Spencer, 1994; Steele and Henderson, 1981)

$$\begin{cases} dx = \left(\alpha x [1 - \beta^{-1} x] - \frac{\delta x^2 y}{\kappa + x^2} \right) dt + \sigma dw_1 \\ dy = \left(\frac{\gamma x^2 y}{\kappa + x^2} - \mu y^2 \right) dt + \sigma dw_2 \end{cases}$$

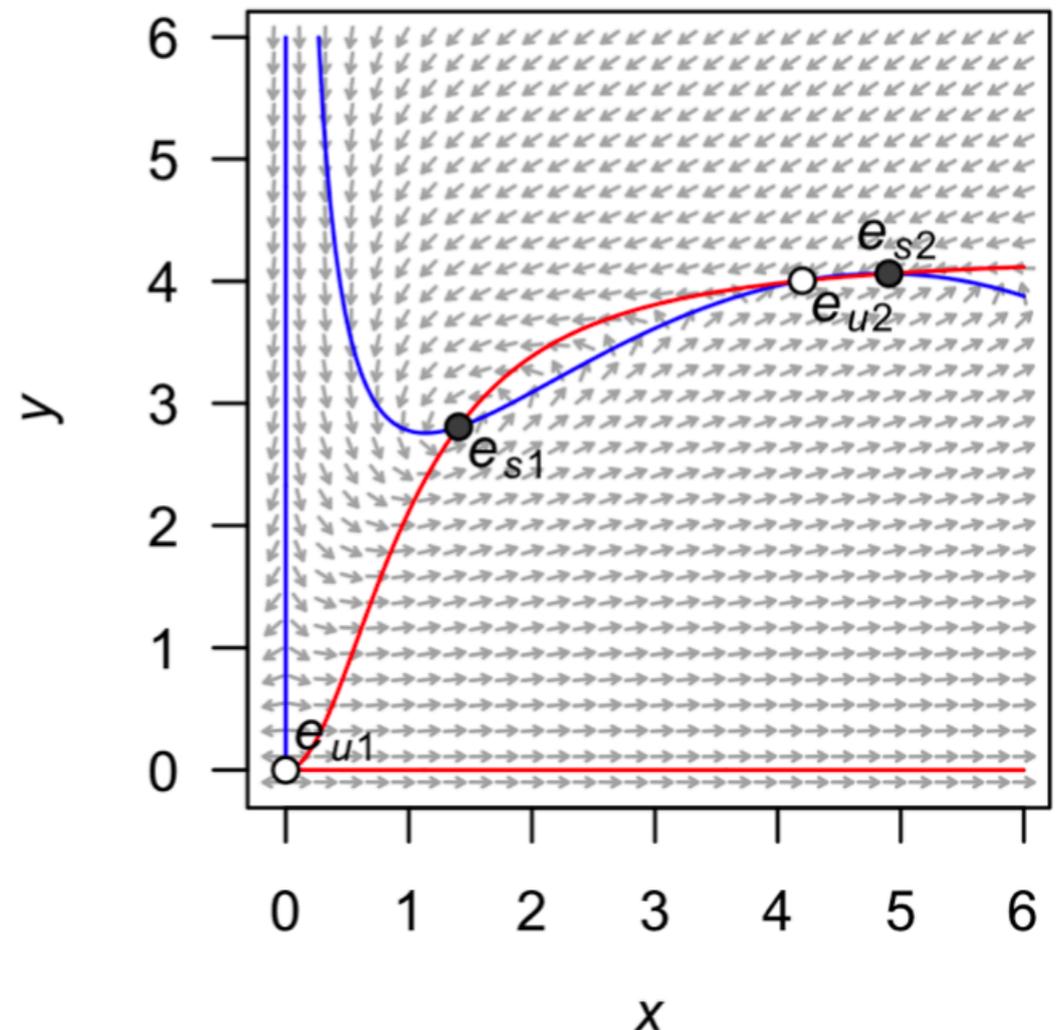
Source: <https://journal.r-project.org/archive/2016/RJ-2016-031/RJ-2016-031.pdf>

$$\alpha = 1.54, \quad \beta = 10.14,$$

$$\gamma = 0.476, \quad \delta = 1,$$

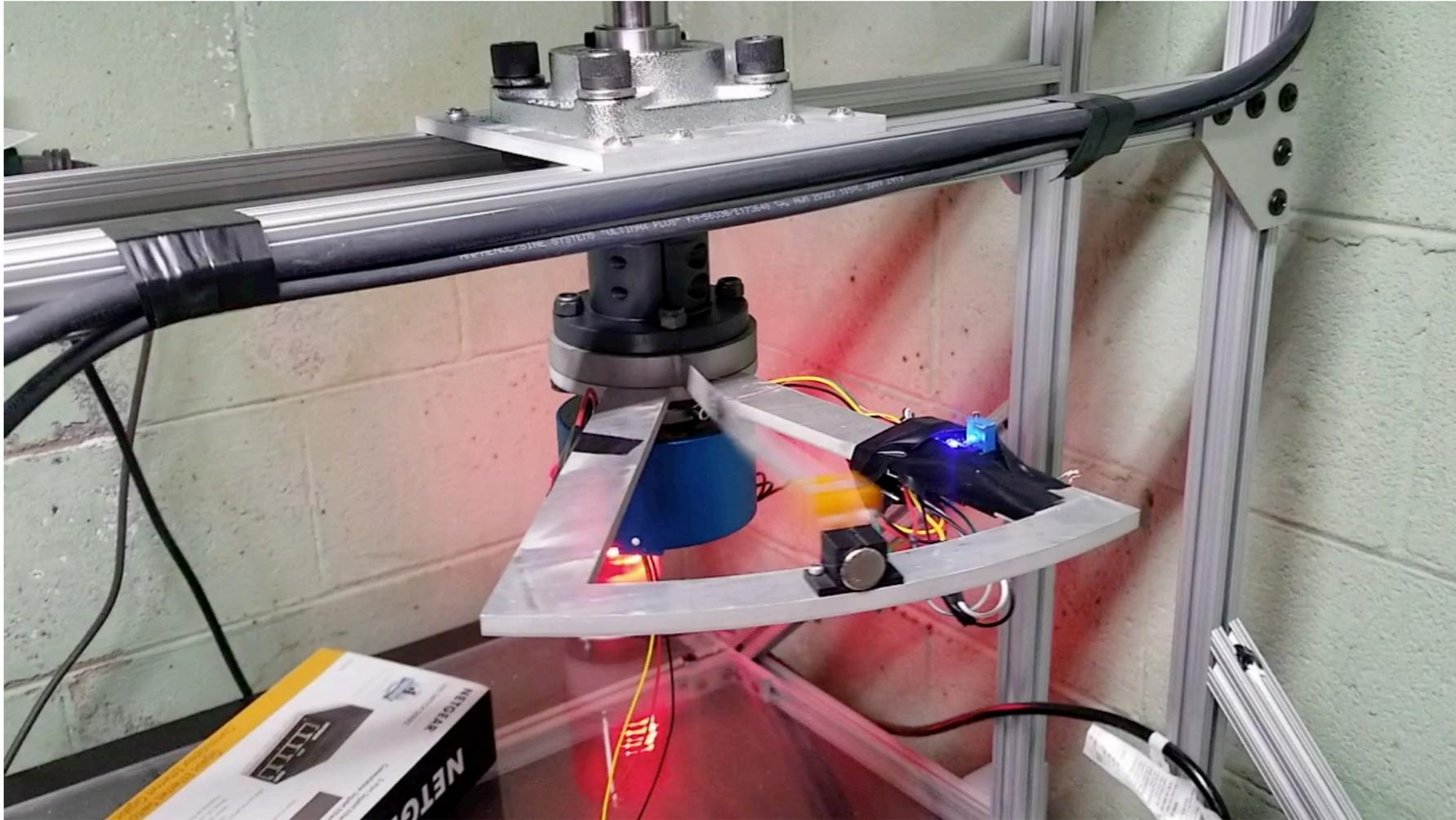
$$\kappa = 1, \quad \mu = 0.112509$$

Two saddles and
two equilibrium point attractors



Example 2: nonlinear oscillator

A noise-driven transition from the high- to the low-amplitude attractor



Lautaro Cilenti,
Ph.D. Mech. Eng. UMD, 2022

System model: $x'' + ax' + c_1x + c_3x^3 = F\cos(\omega t) + \sigma\eta_t$

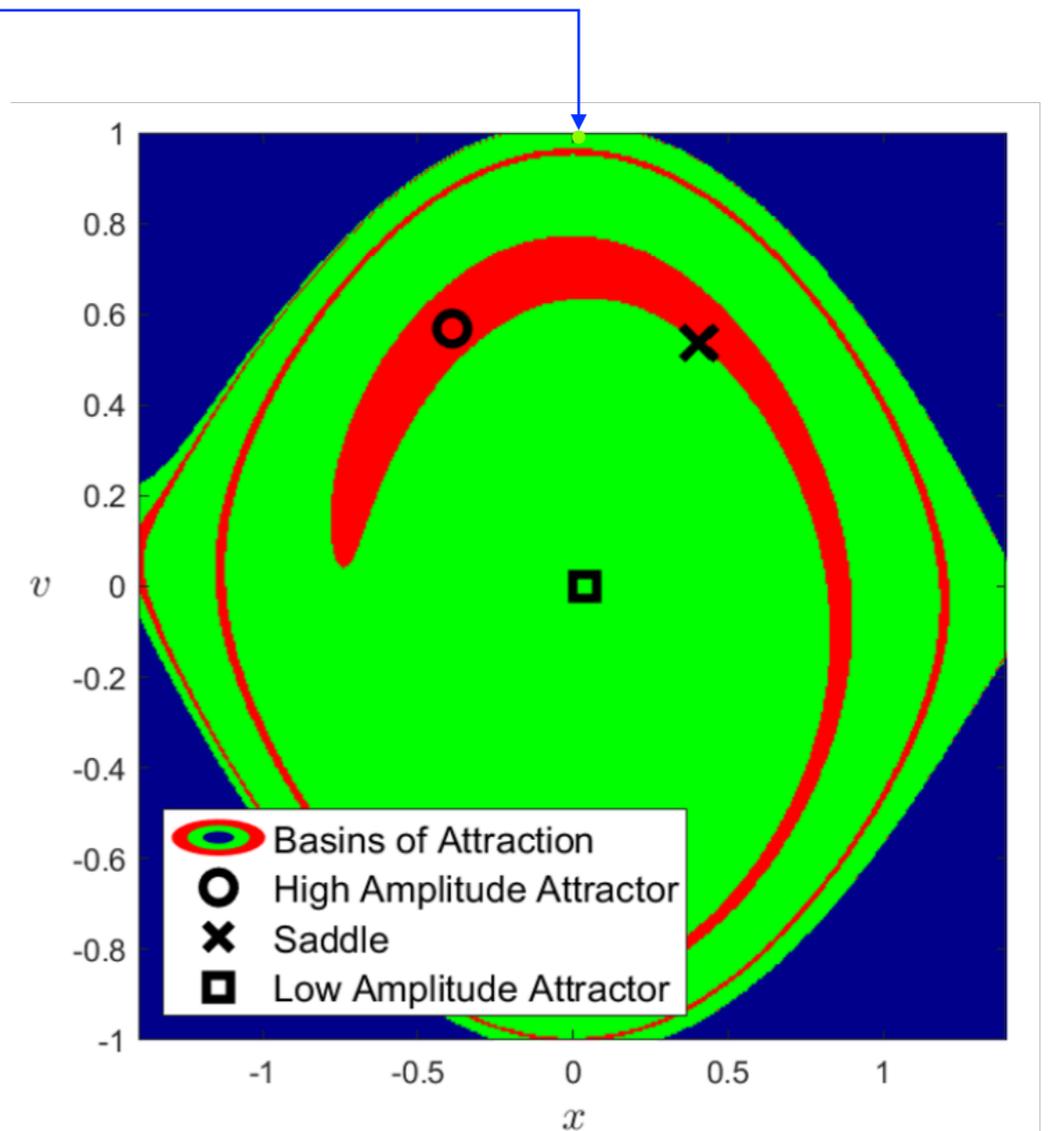
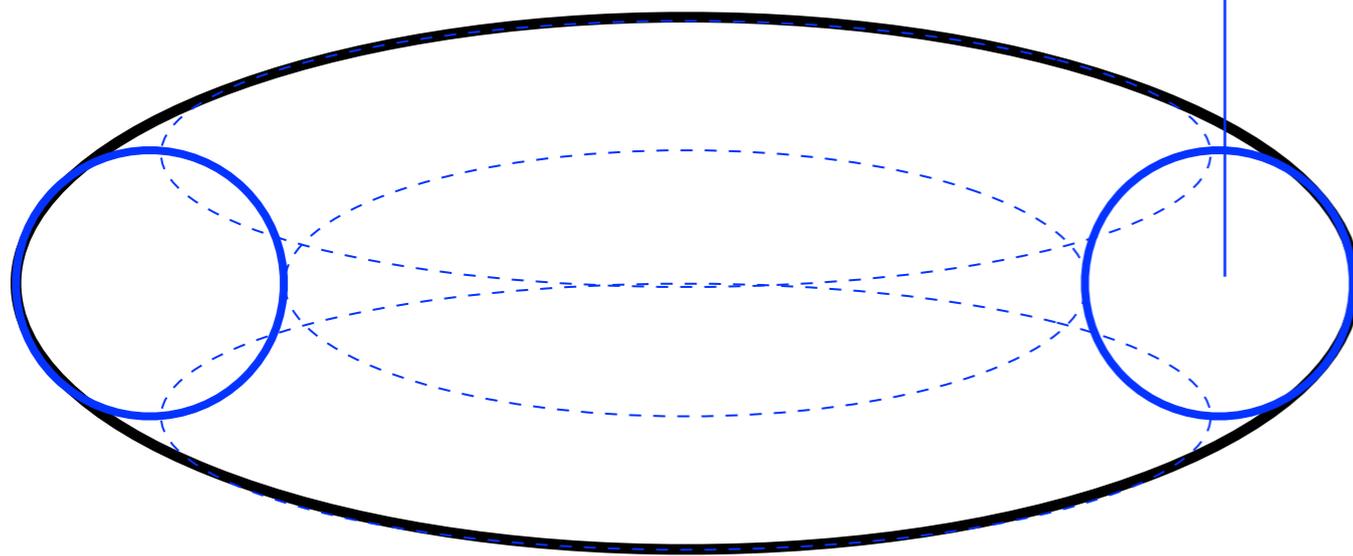
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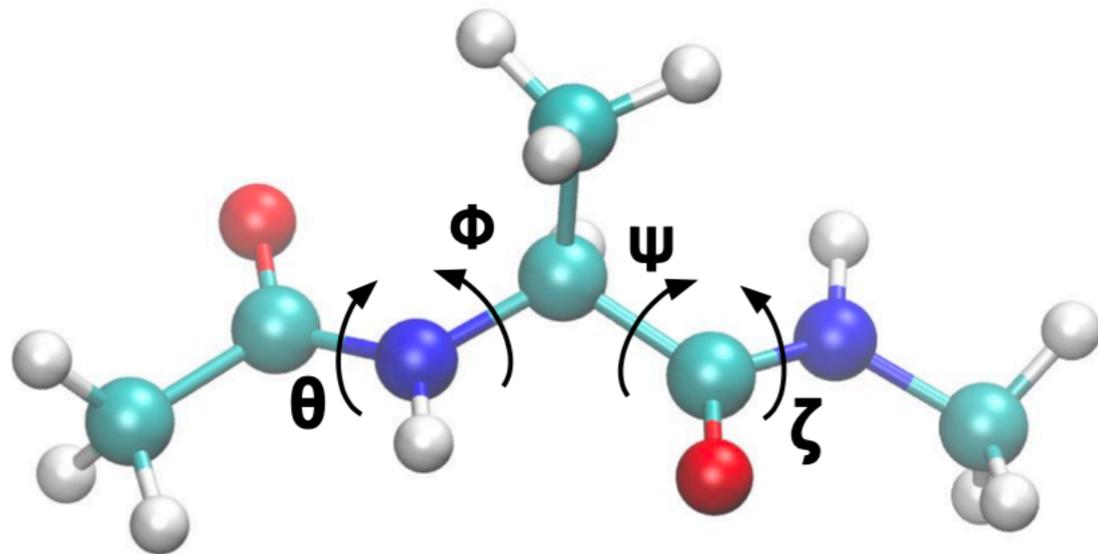
Phase space: $\mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{S}_{2\pi/\omega}$



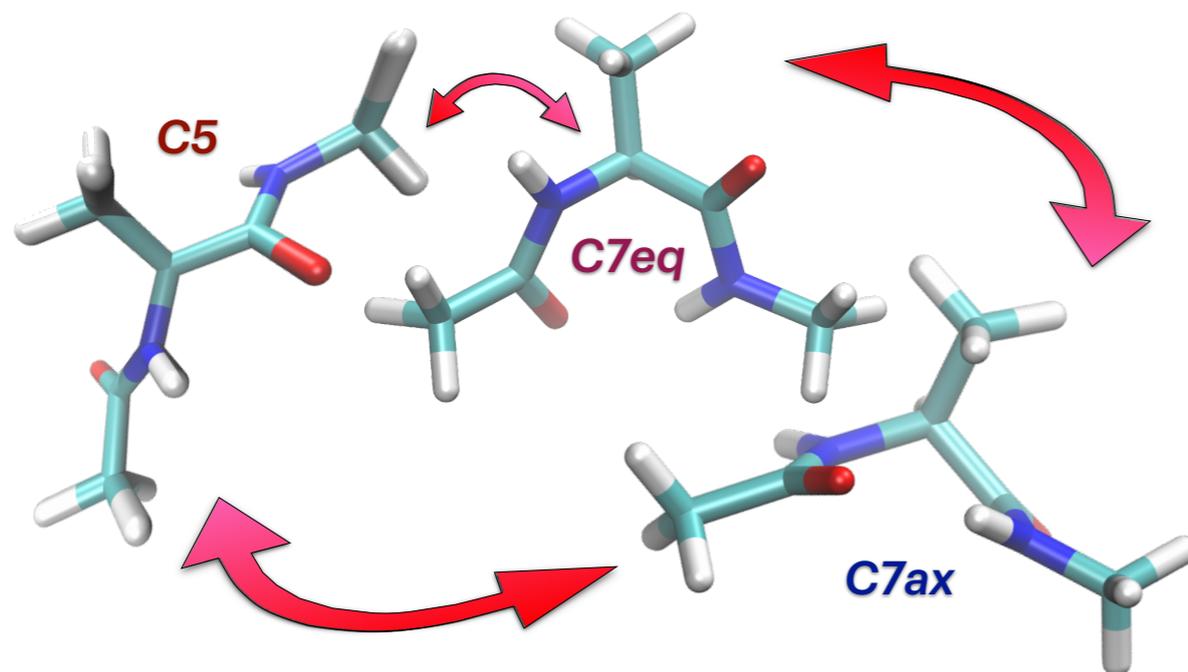
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Alanine dipeptide: 22 atoms

Phase space: \mathbb{R}^{132}

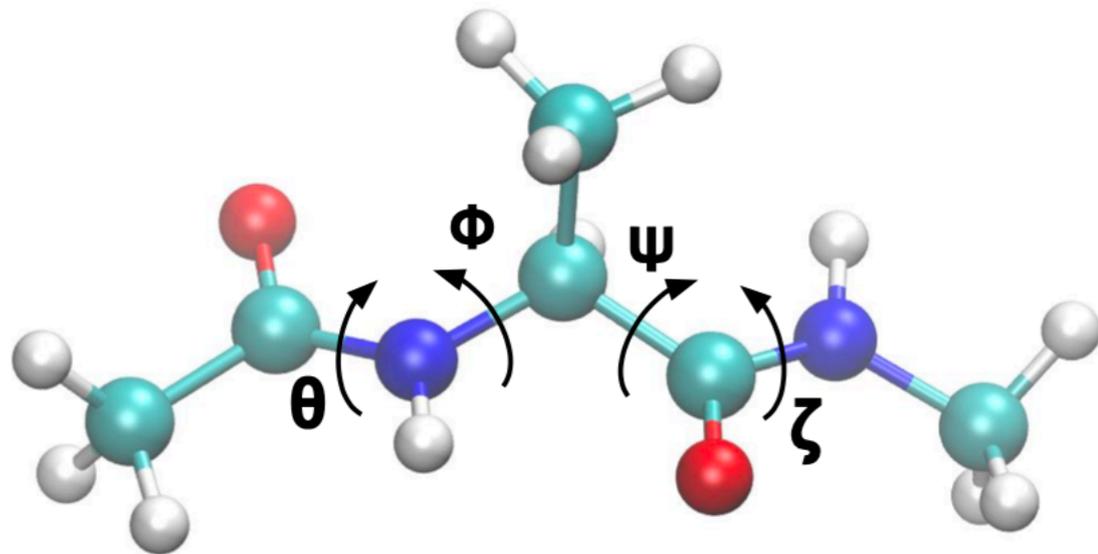


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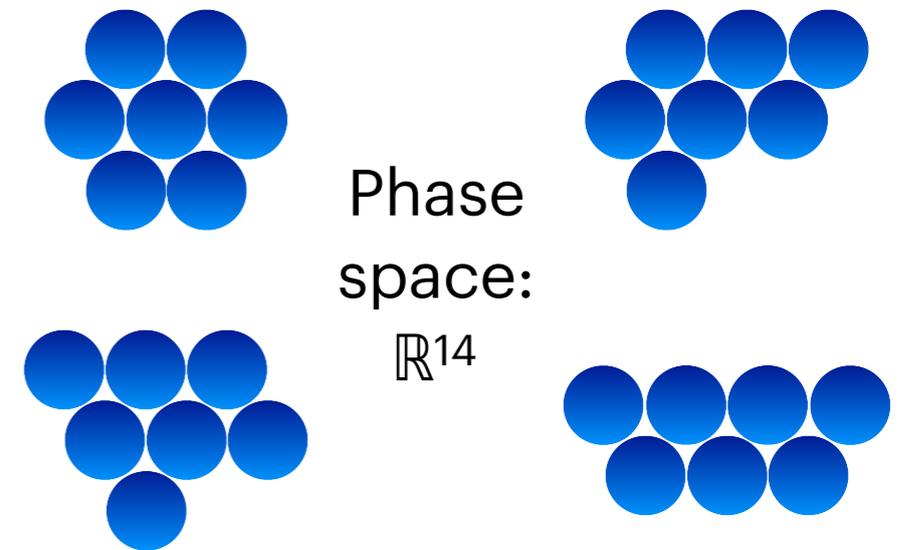


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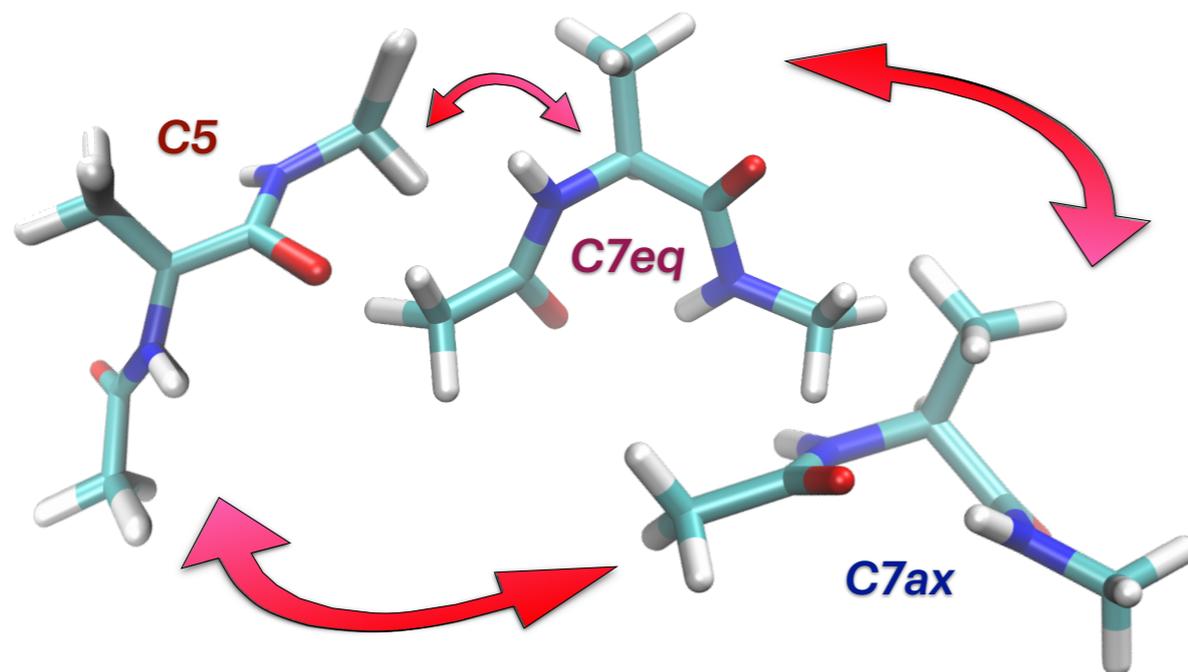
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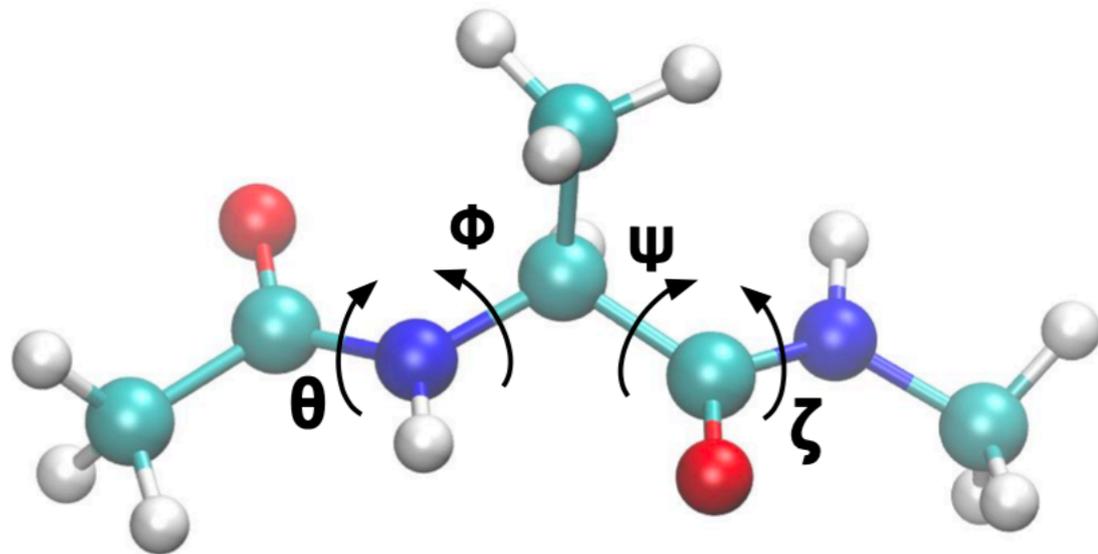


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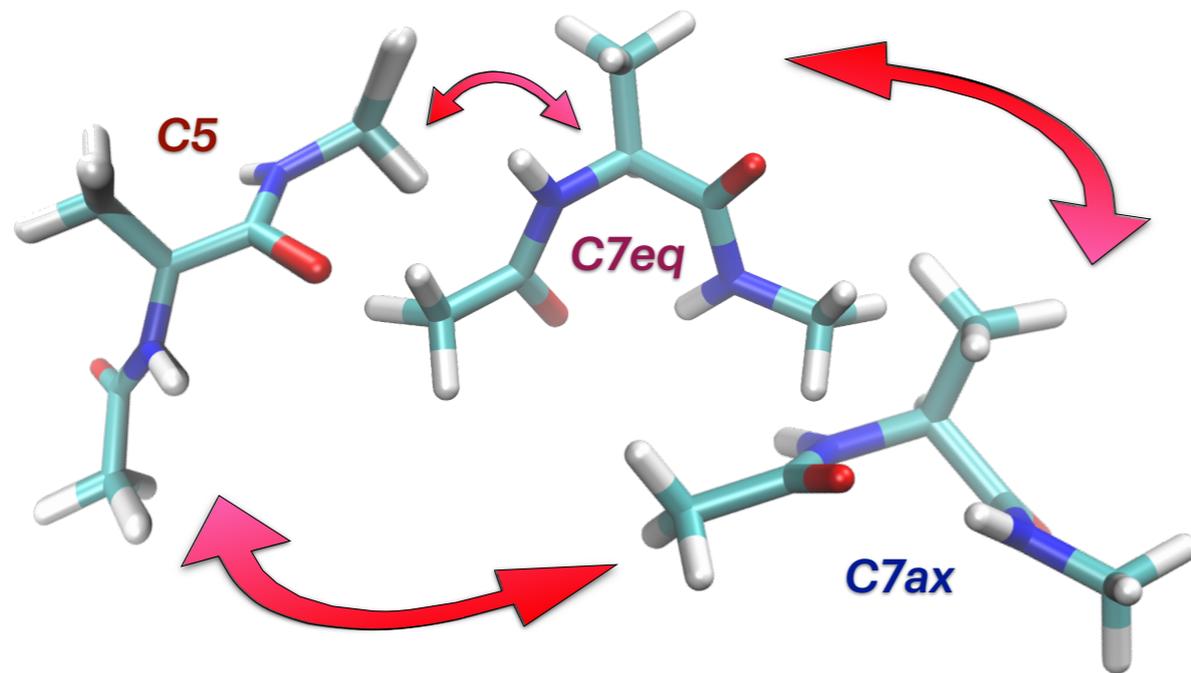


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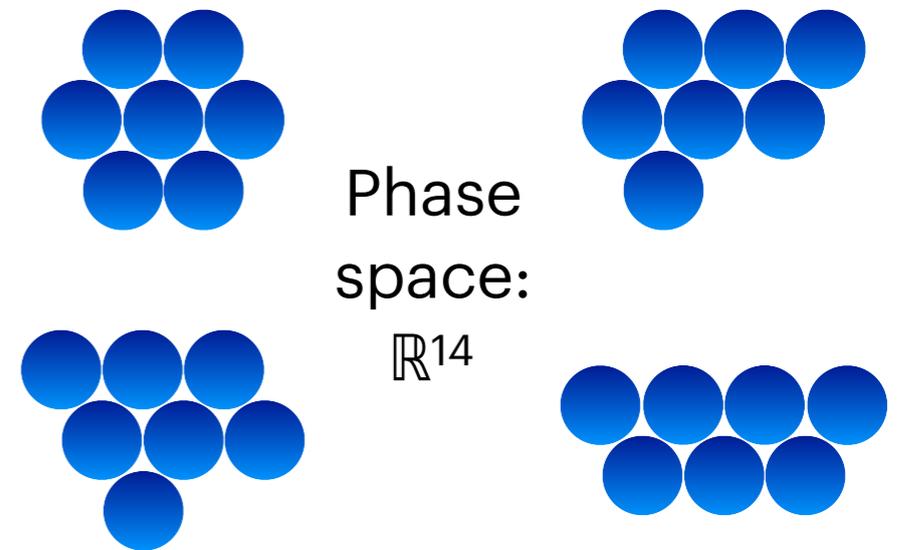
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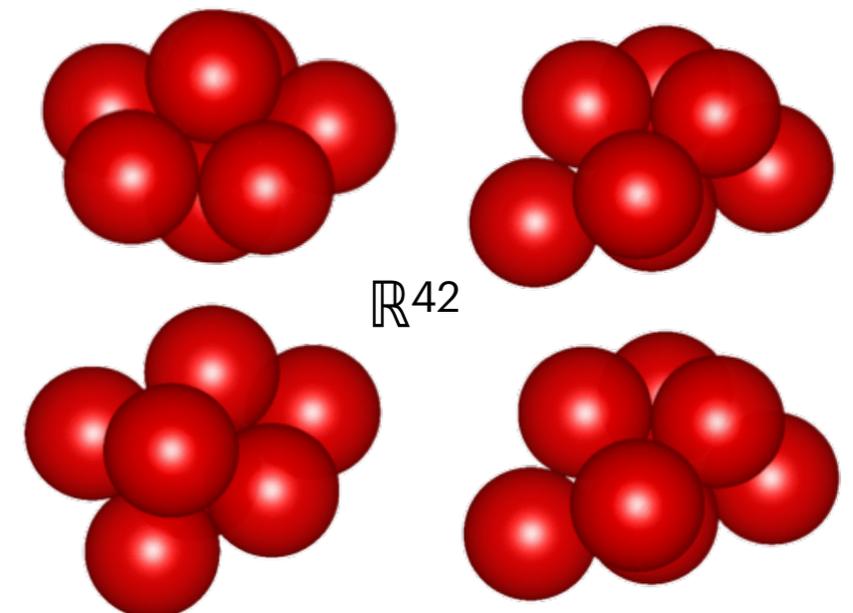
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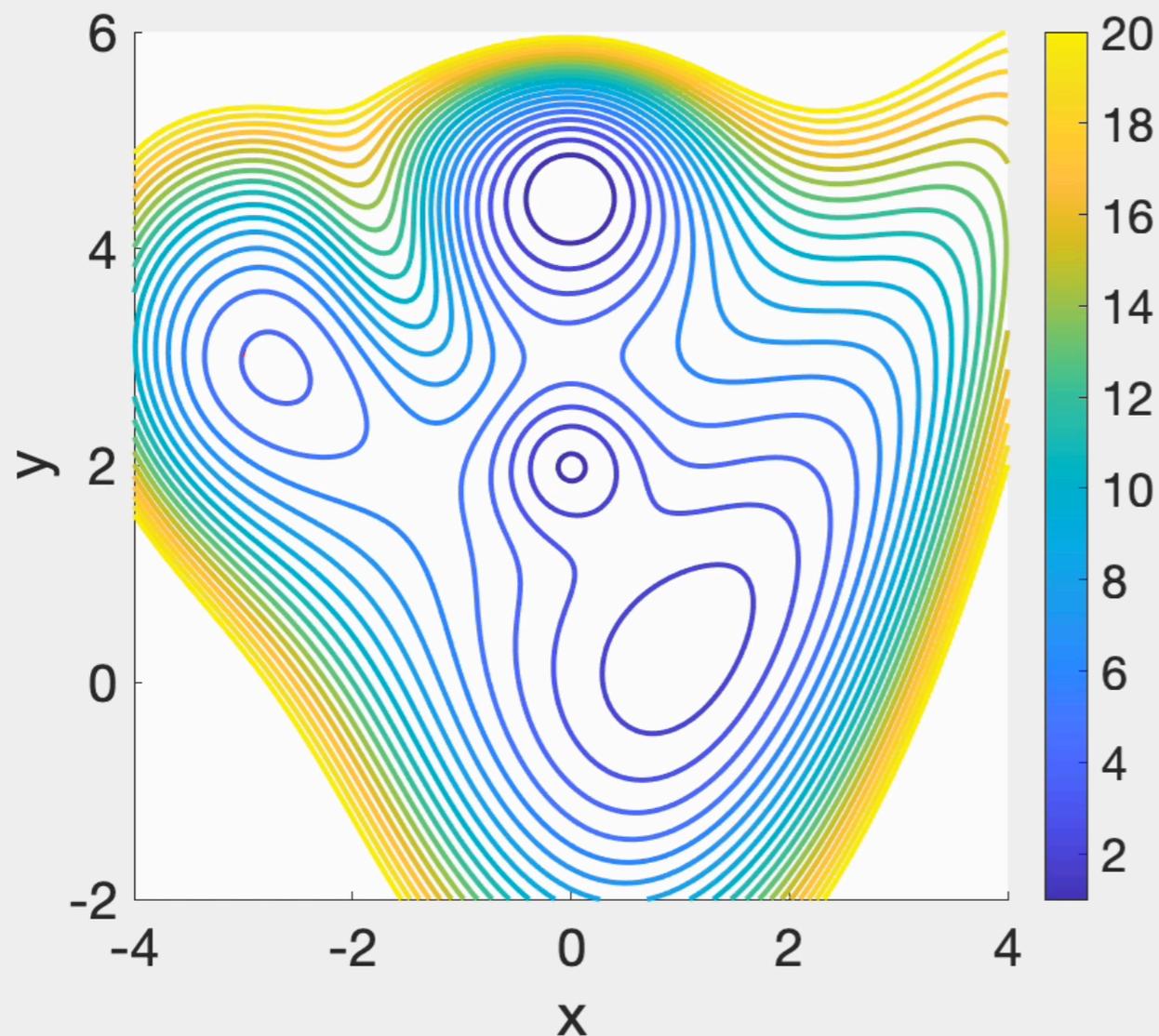


Lennard-Jones-7 in 3D,
Langevin dynamics



An easy case: the overdamped Langevin dynamics in 2D

$$dX_t = -\nabla V(X_t)dt + \sqrt{2\beta^{-1}}dW_t$$



Invariant pdf is
the Gibbs density:

$$\mu(x) = Z^{-1} e^{-\beta V(x)}$$

Expected exit time
from the basin of x_{\min} :

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbb{E}[\tau_{\partial B_{x_{\min}}}] \\ & \approx C e^{\beta(V(x_{\text{saddle}}) - V(x_{\min}))} \end{aligned}$$

Transition path theory

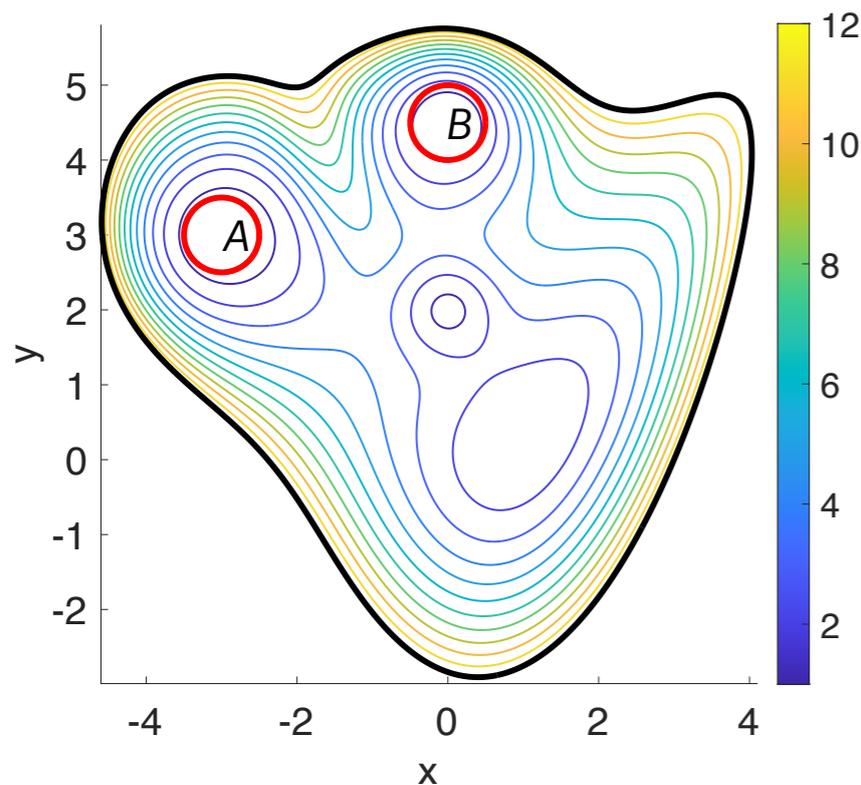
(A mathematical framework for quantifying transition processes)

W. E and E. Vanden-Eijnden, 2006

The **committor** is the probability that the process starting at x will reach region B prior to reaching region A

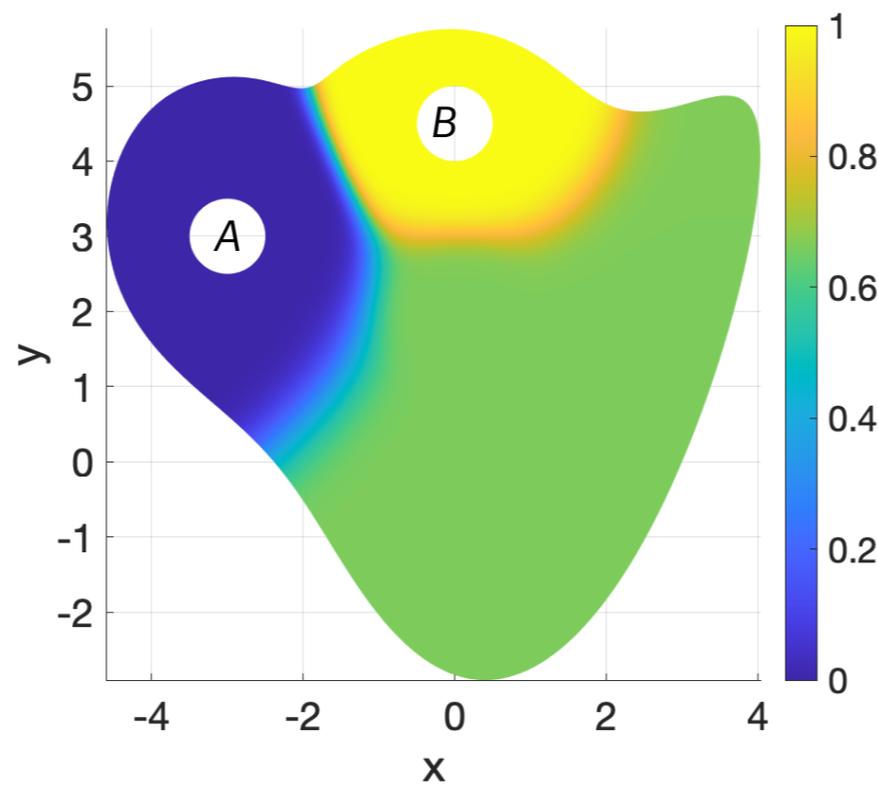
$$q(x) := \text{Prob}_x(\tau_B < \tau_A)$$

The potential function

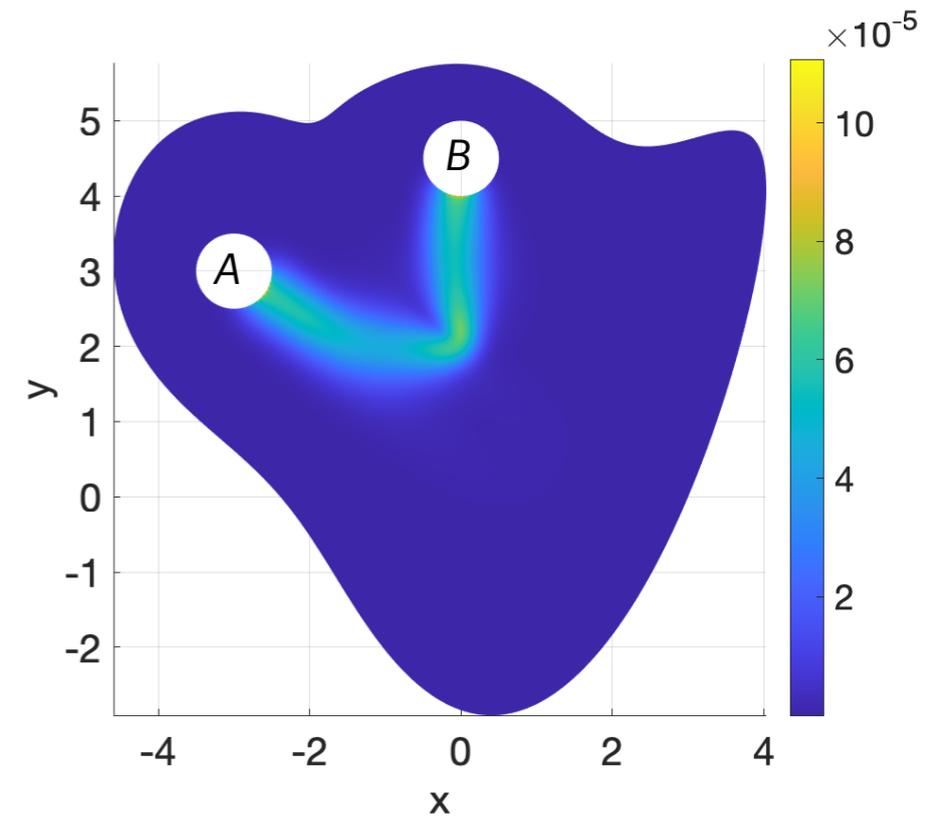


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The committor



The reactive current



$$J(x) = \beta^{-1} \mu \nabla q(x)$$

The transition rate:

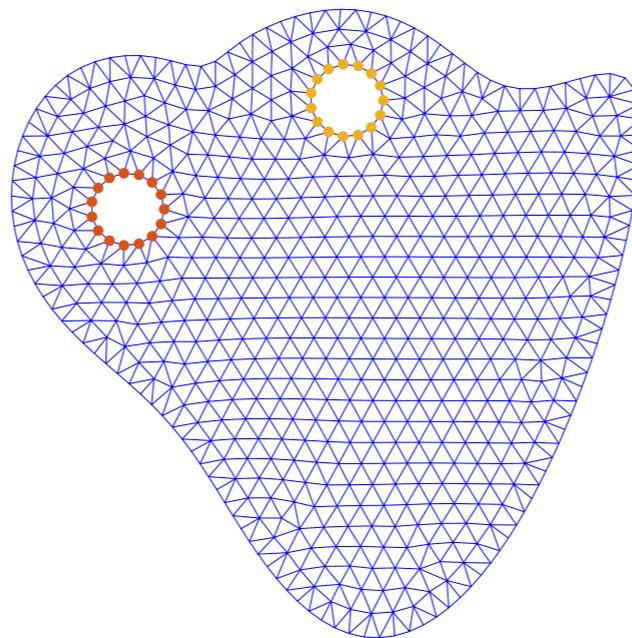
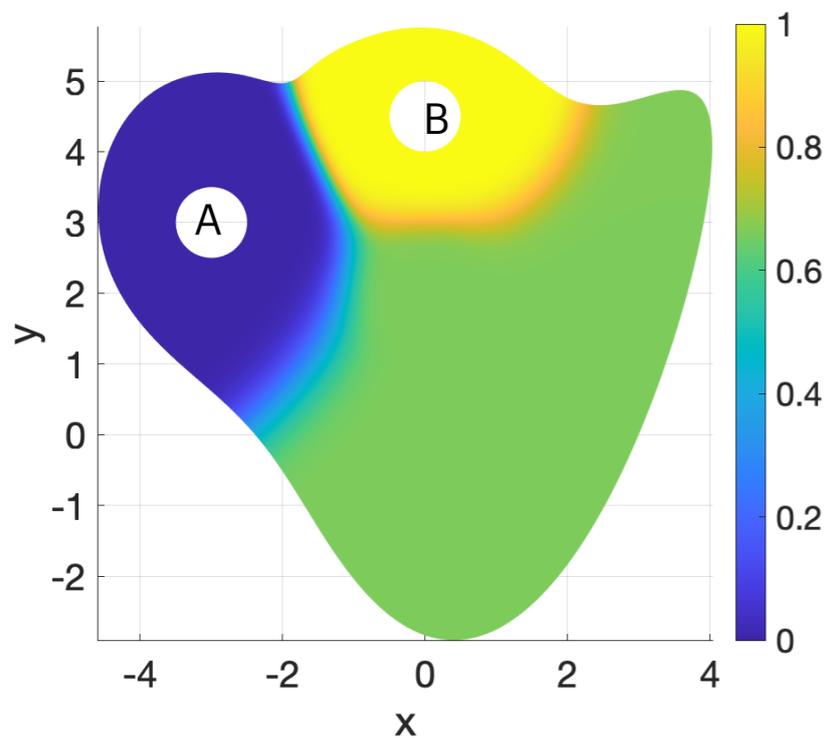
$$\nu_{AB} = \beta^{-1} \int_{\Omega_{AB}} \|\nabla q\|^2 \mu dx$$

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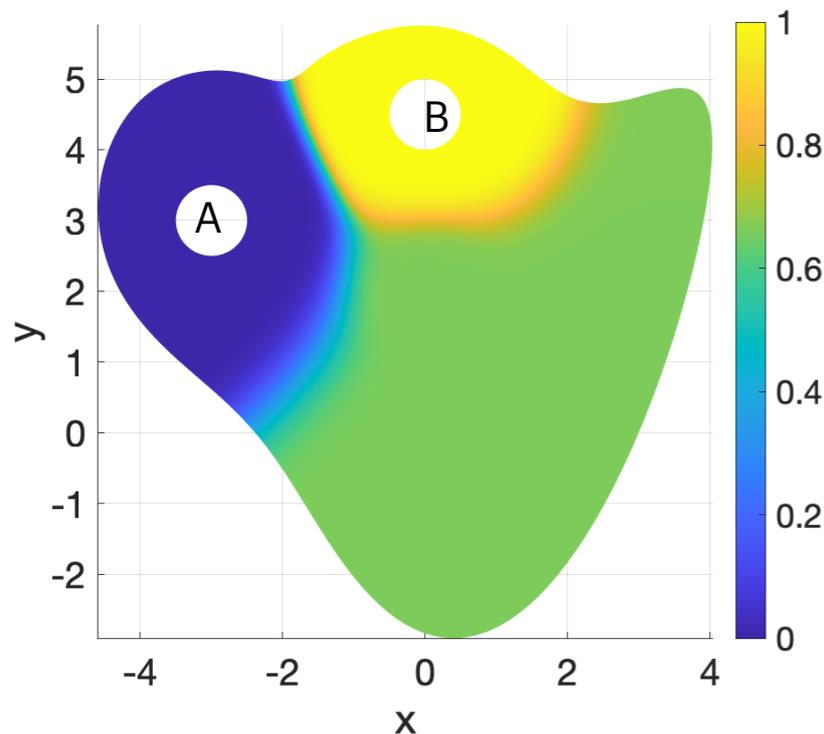
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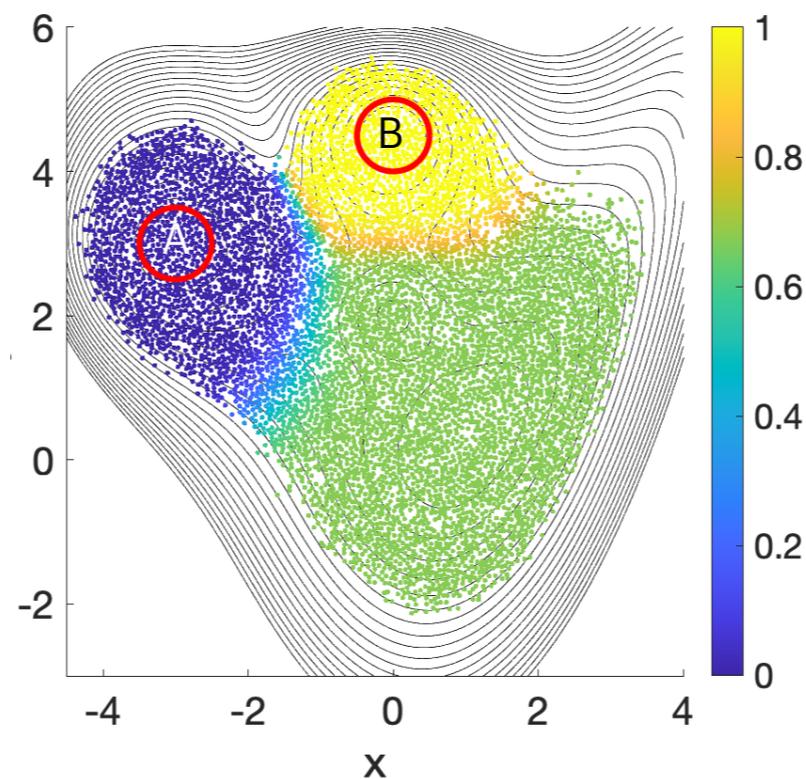
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Approach 2:

*Target-measure
diffusion map*



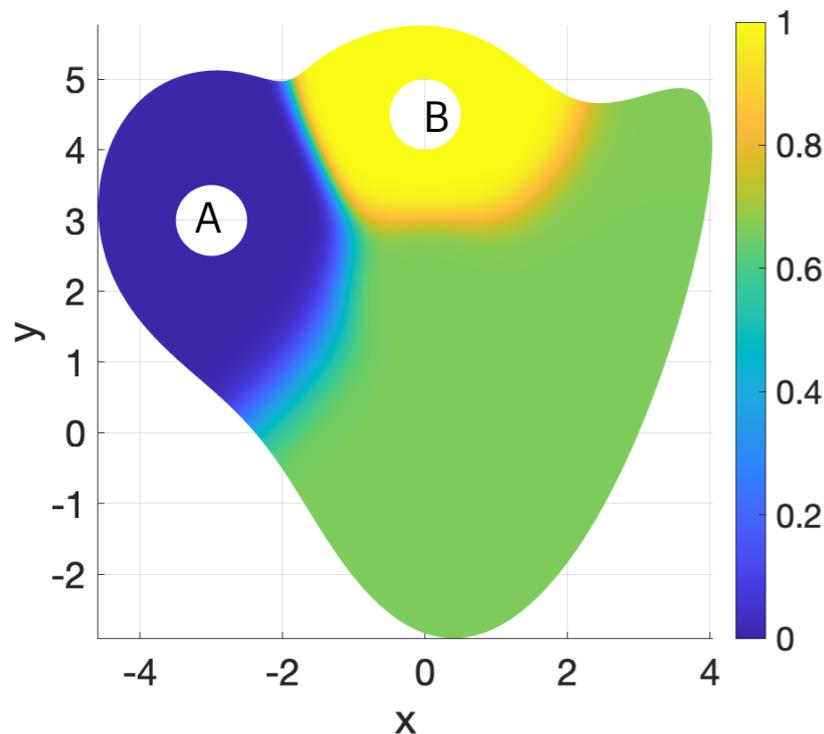
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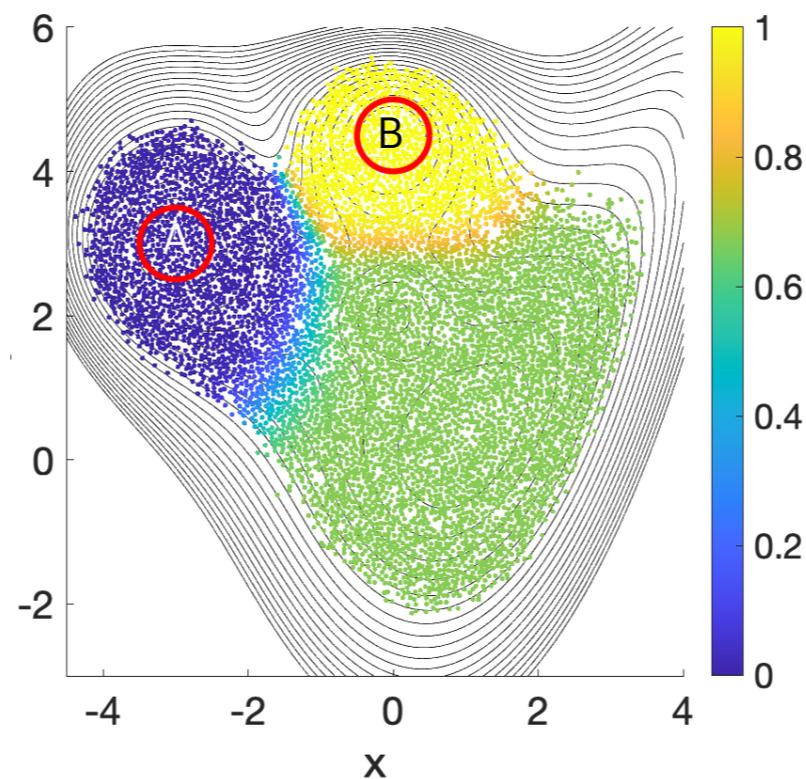
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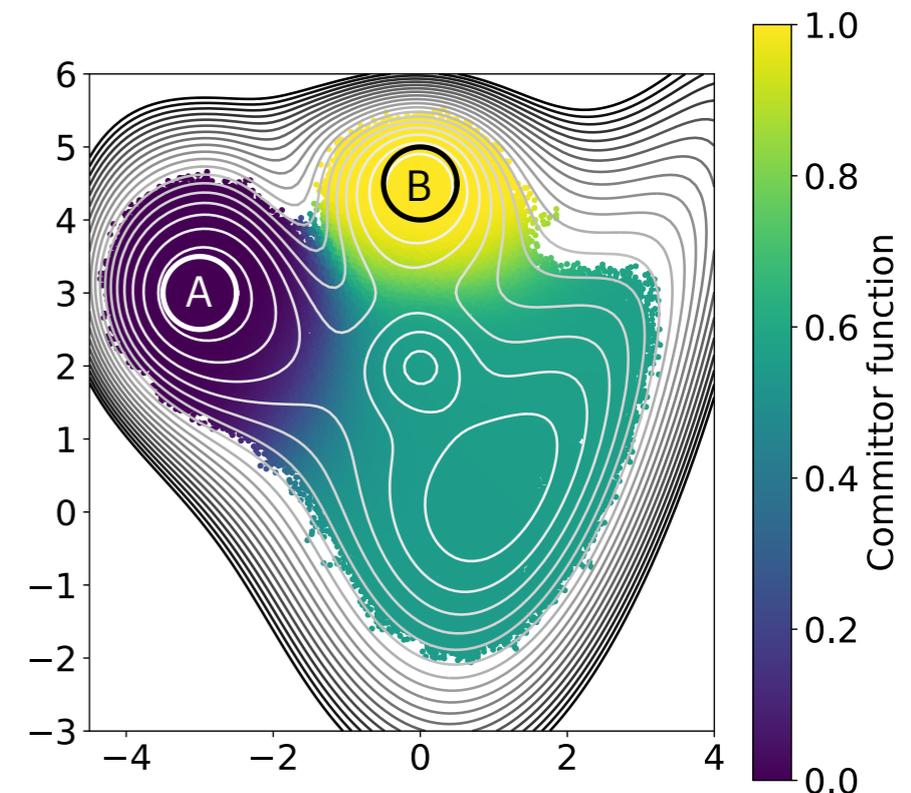
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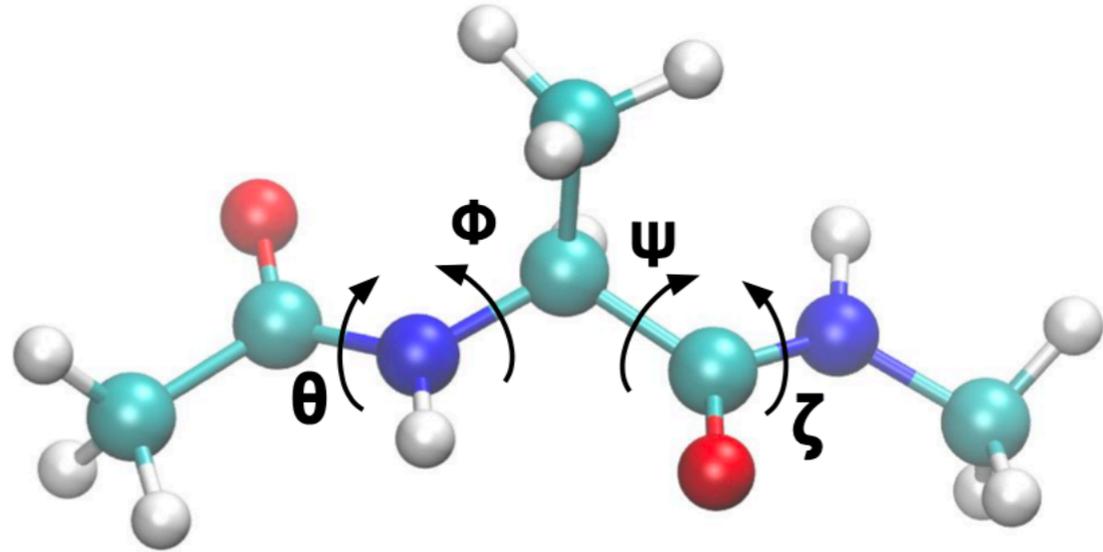
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Approach 3:

*Neural network-
based solvers*



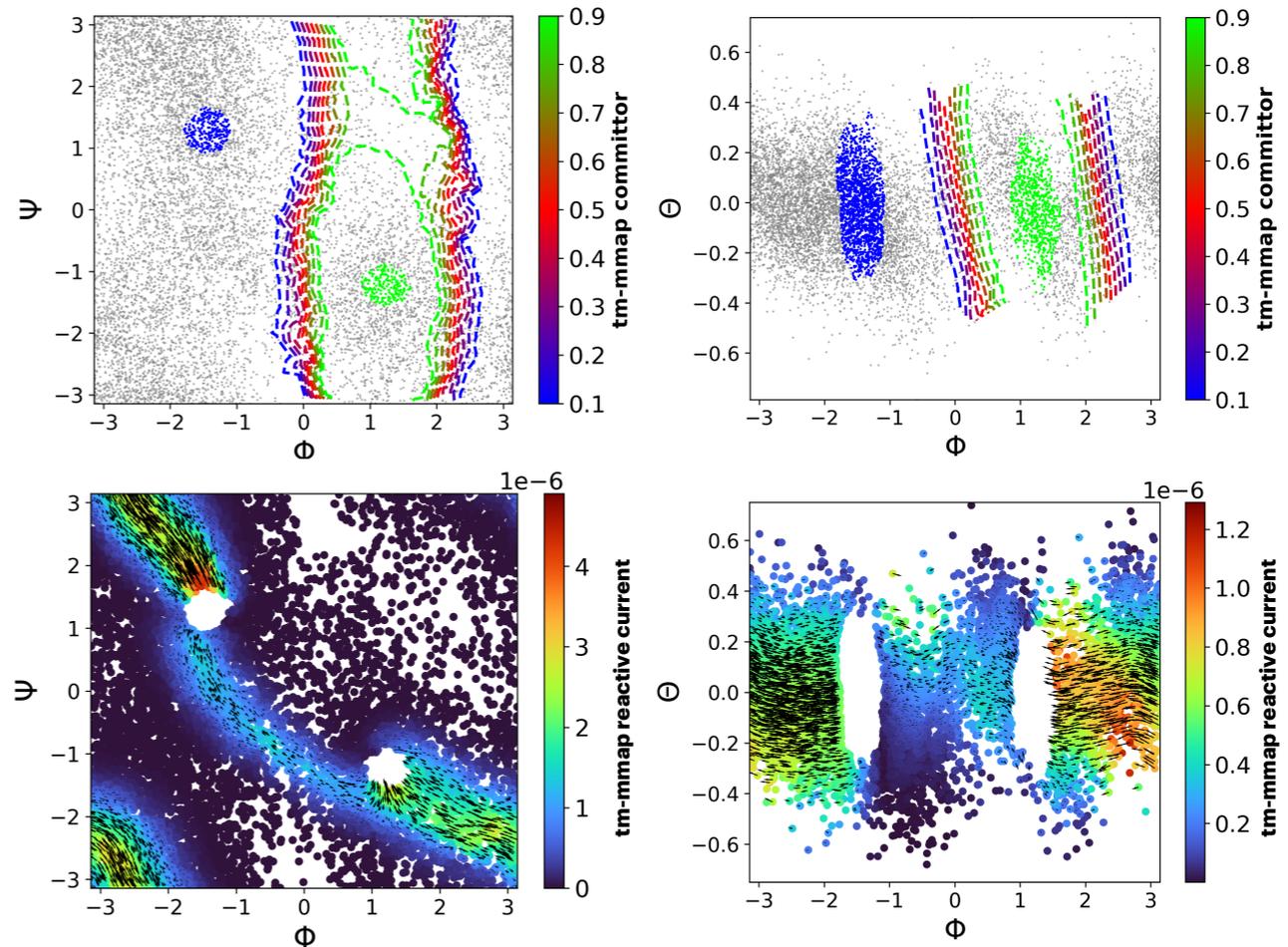
Model reduction via physically motivated collective variables



$$dX_t = [-M(X_t)\nabla F(X_t) + \beta^{-1}\nabla \cdot M(X_t)]dt + \sqrt{2\beta^{-1}}M(X_t)^{1/2}dw_t$$

Phase space: \mathbb{T}^4

Method: target-measure Mahalanobis diffusion map (Evans, MC, Tiwary, 2022)



tmmmap + deltanet :

$$2.0 \cdot 10^{-6} \text{ ps}^{-1}$$

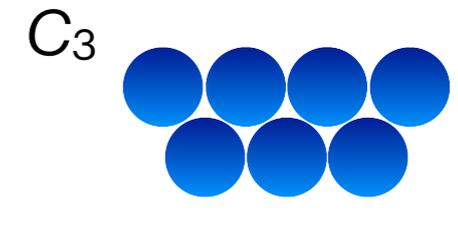
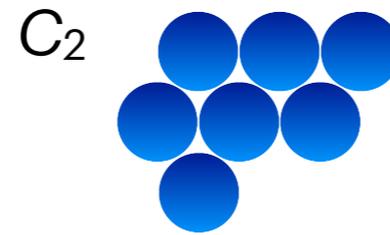
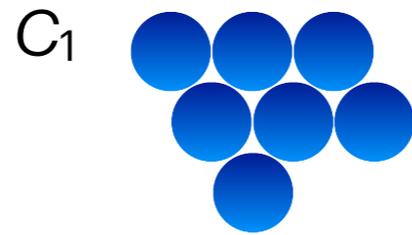
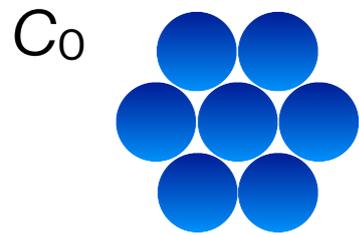
long trajectory :

(Vani, Weare, Dinner, 2022)

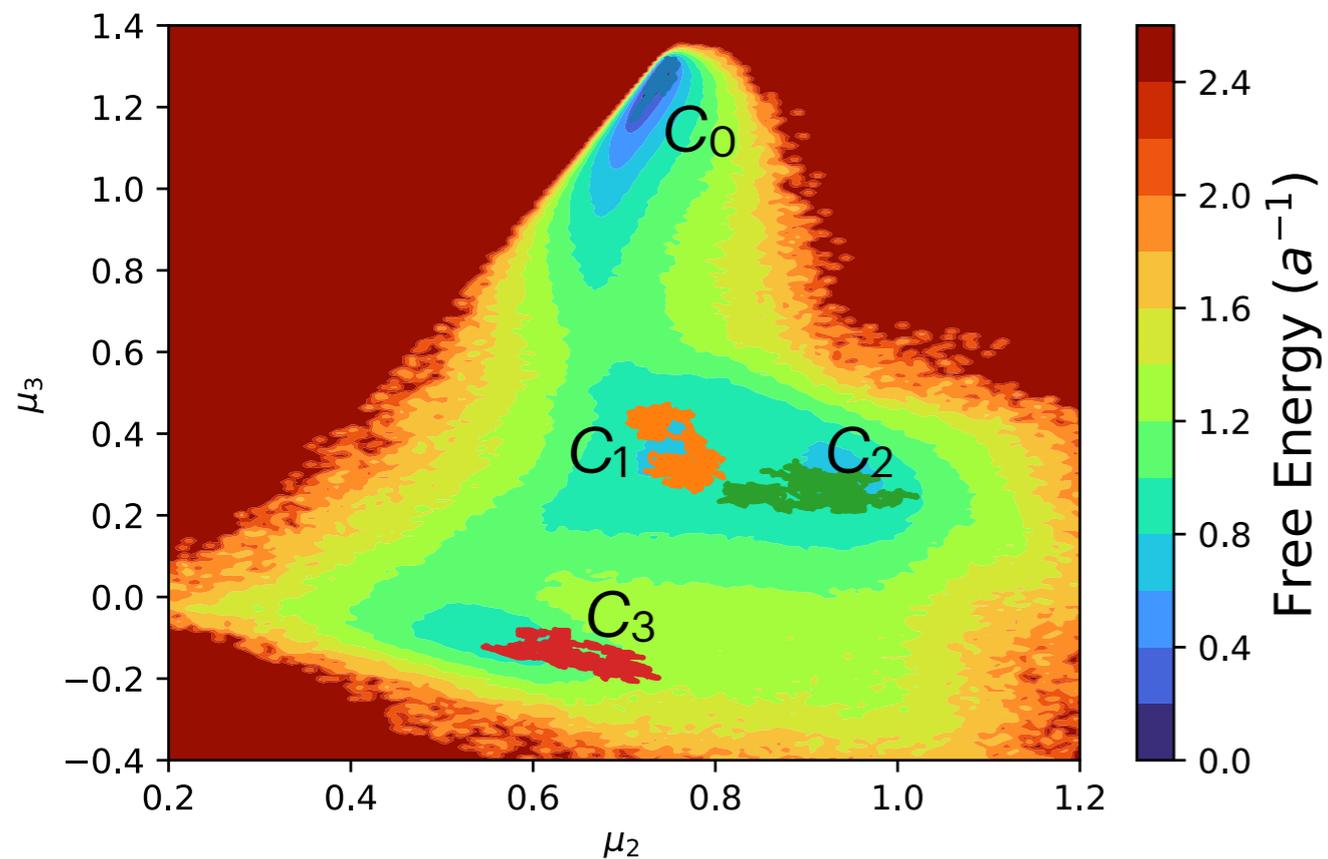
$$1.4 \cdot 10^{-6} \text{ ps}^{-1}$$

Model reduction via machine-learned collective variables

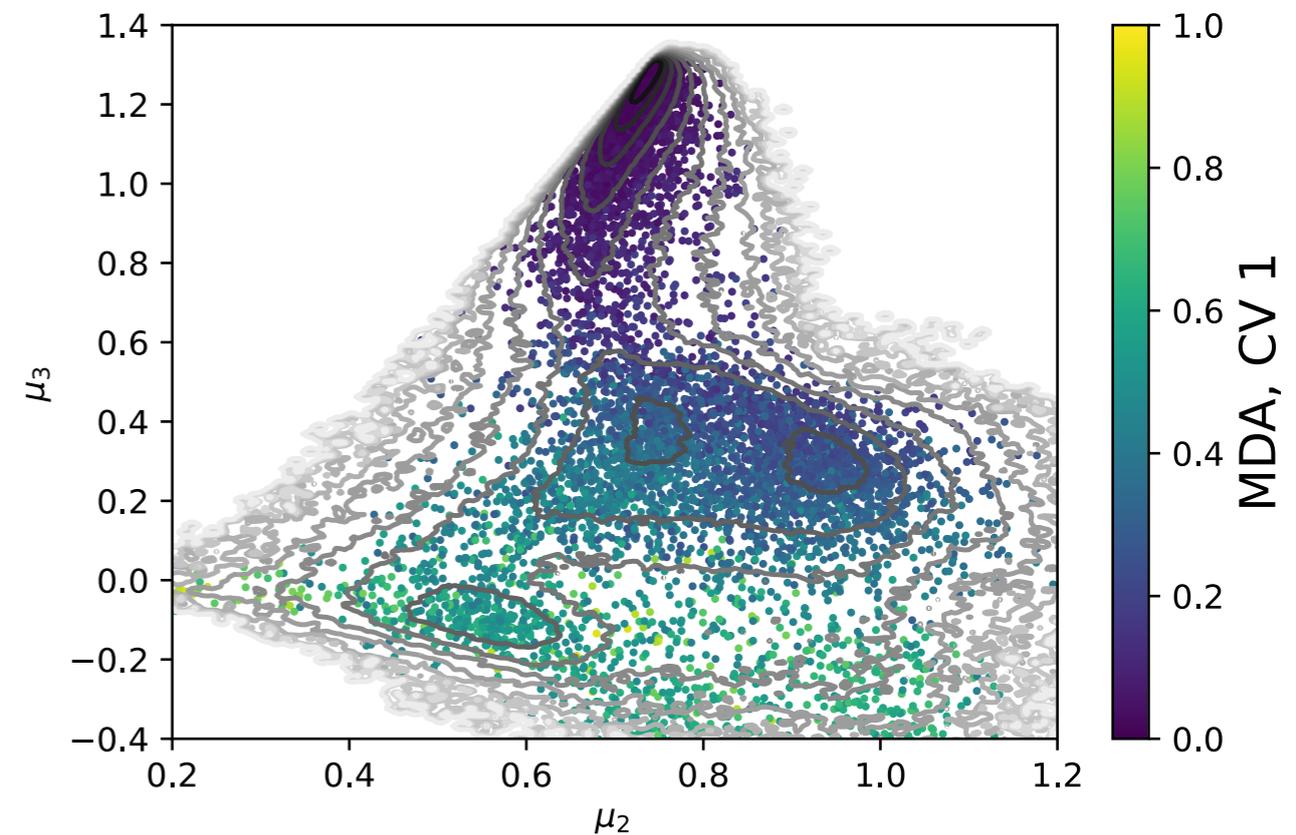
Linear discriminant analysis (LDA)



Physically motivated collective variables and labeled data

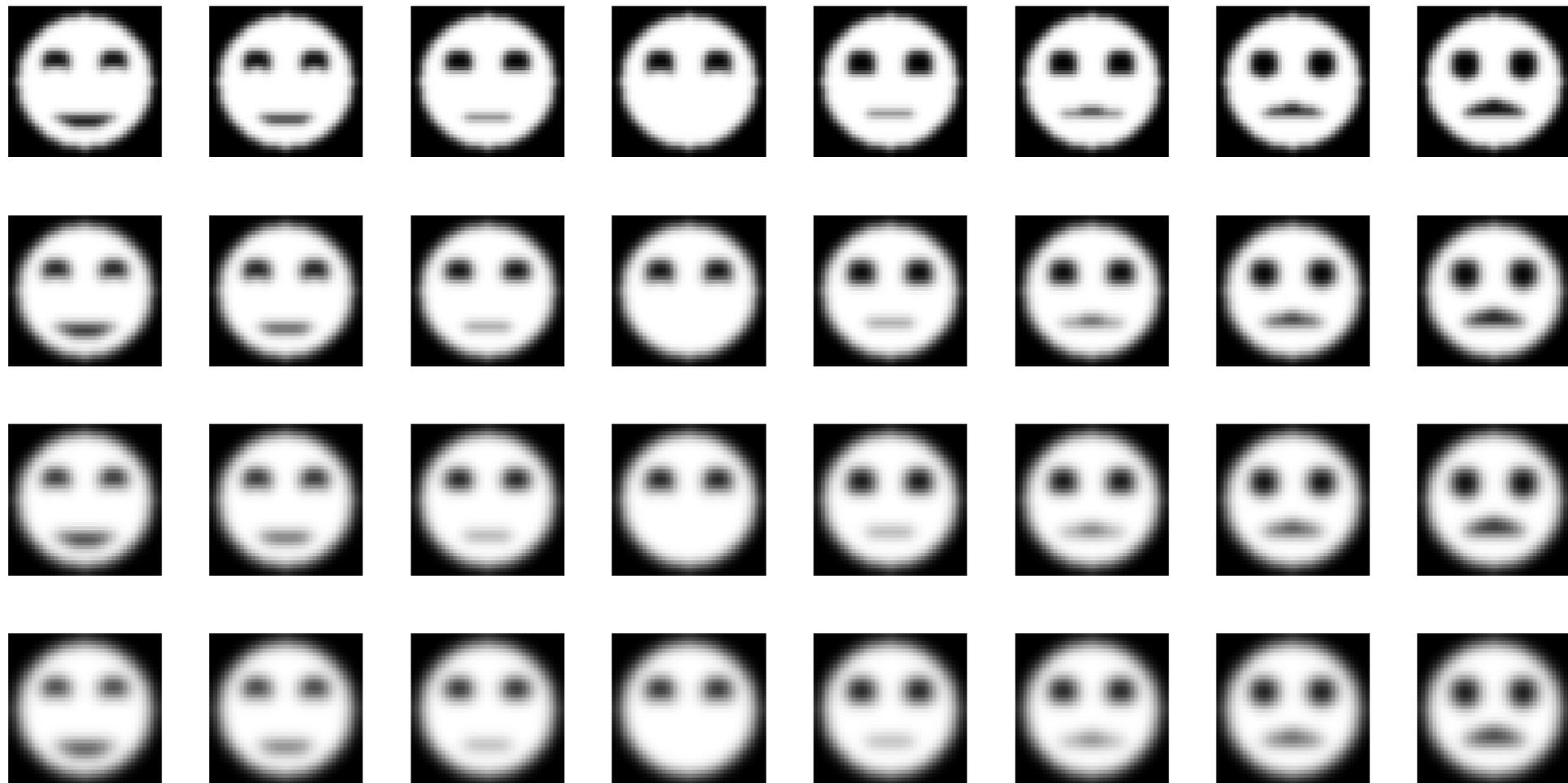
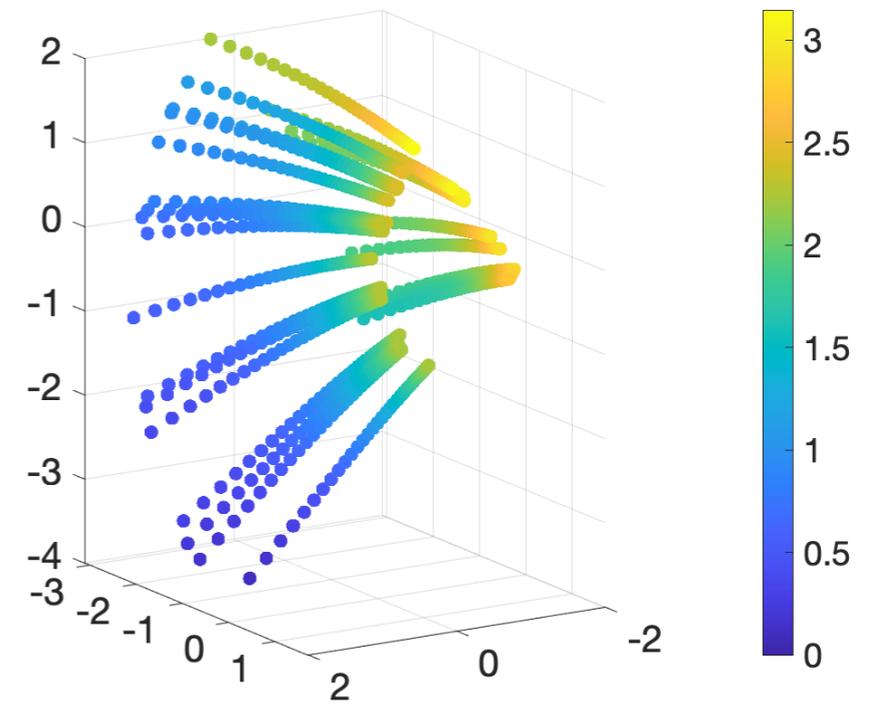


The collective variable learned by the LDA



Model reduction via diffusion maps

Coifman and Lafon, 2006



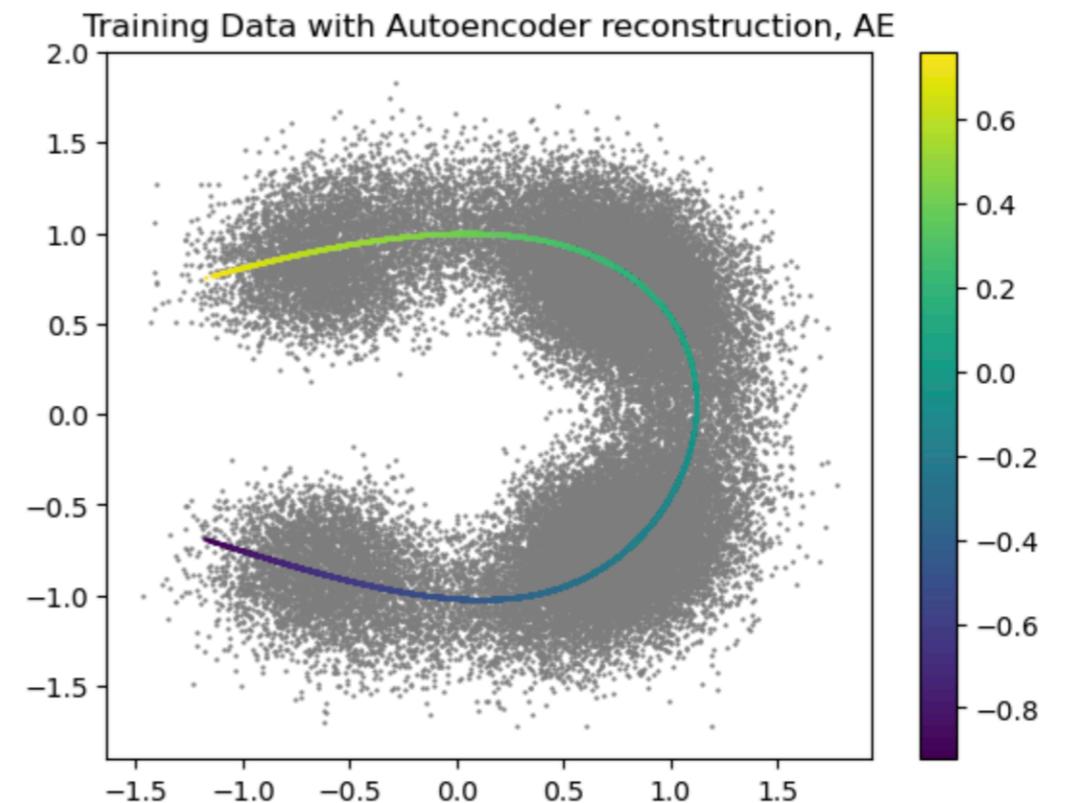
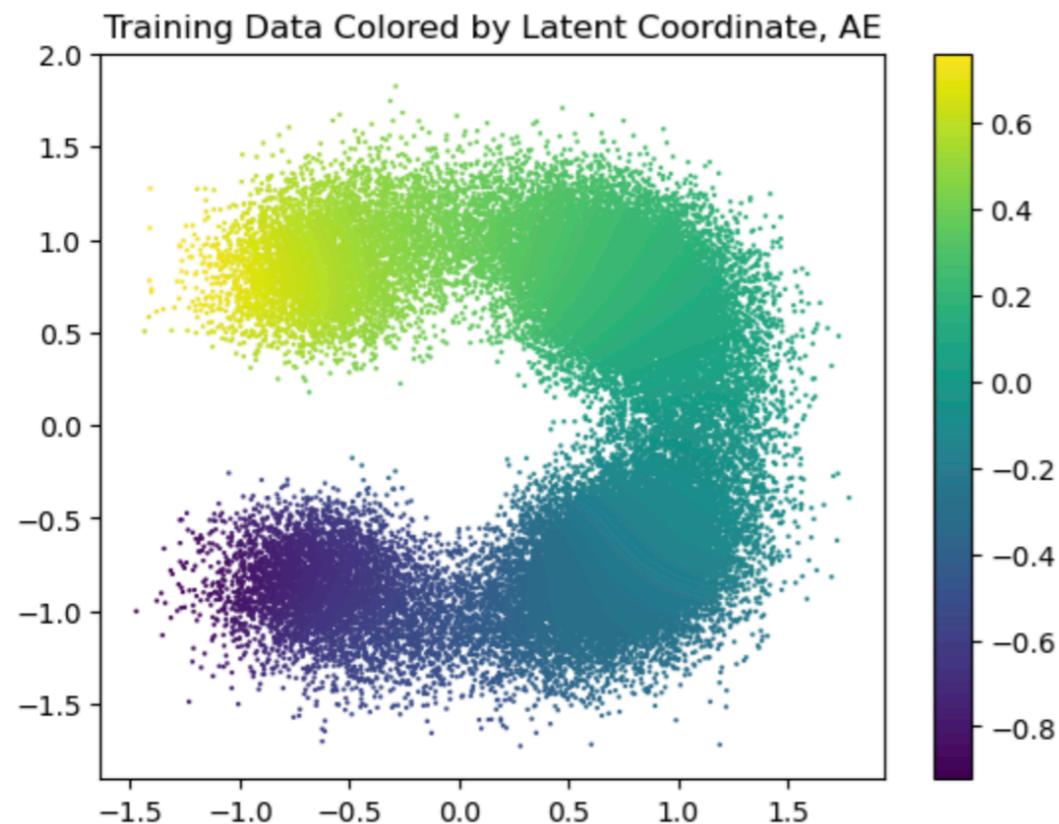
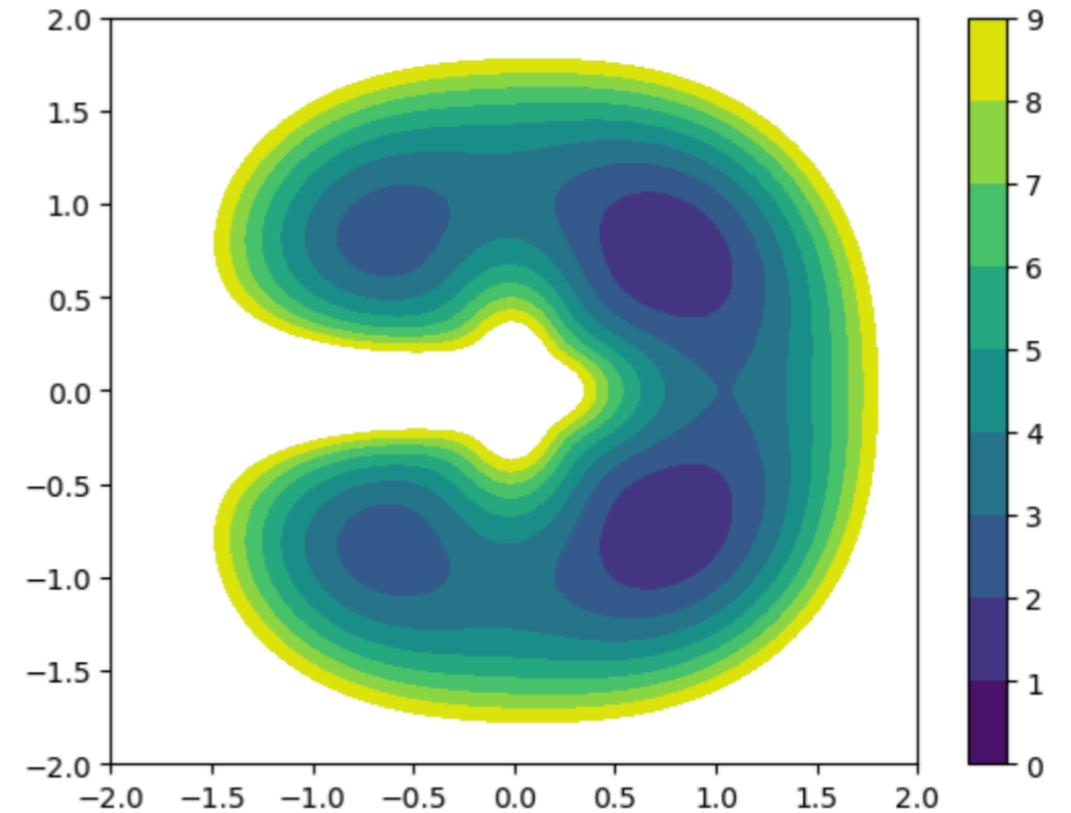
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Autoencoders
Tutorial:

<https://deeptime-ml.github.io/latest/notebooks/tae.html>
implementation by L. Evans)

Lemon Slice Potential

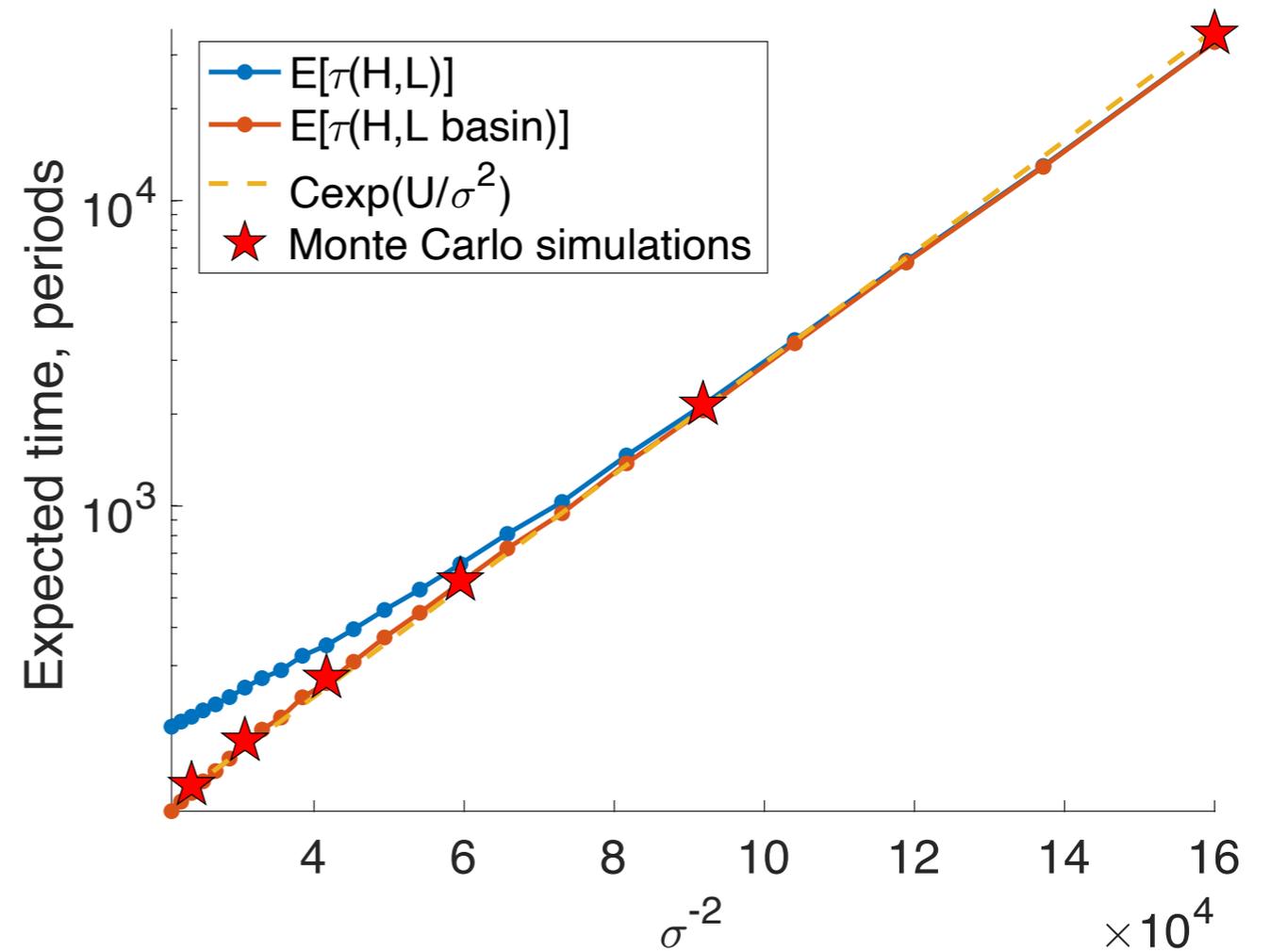
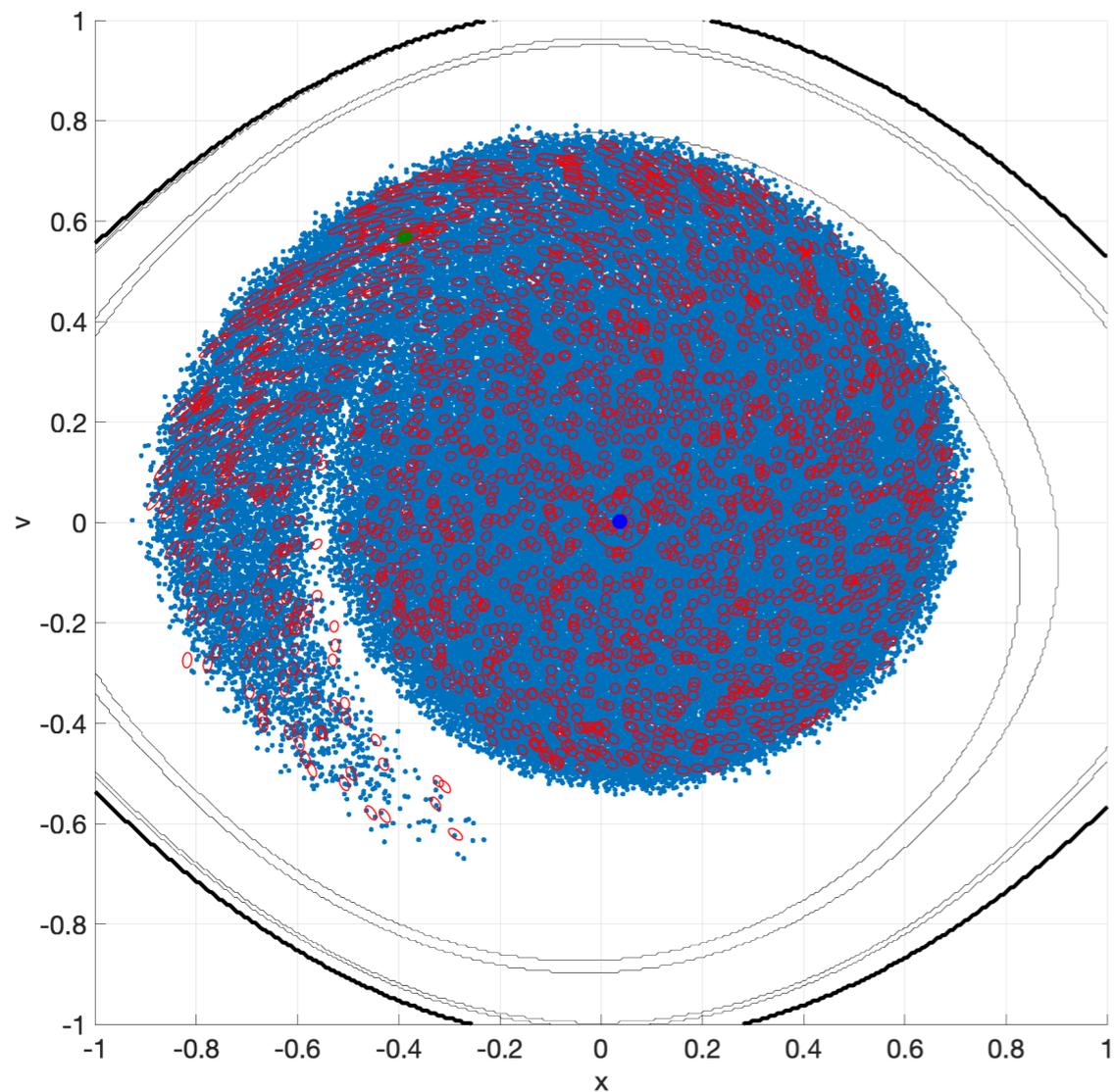
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Model reduction via Markov chain

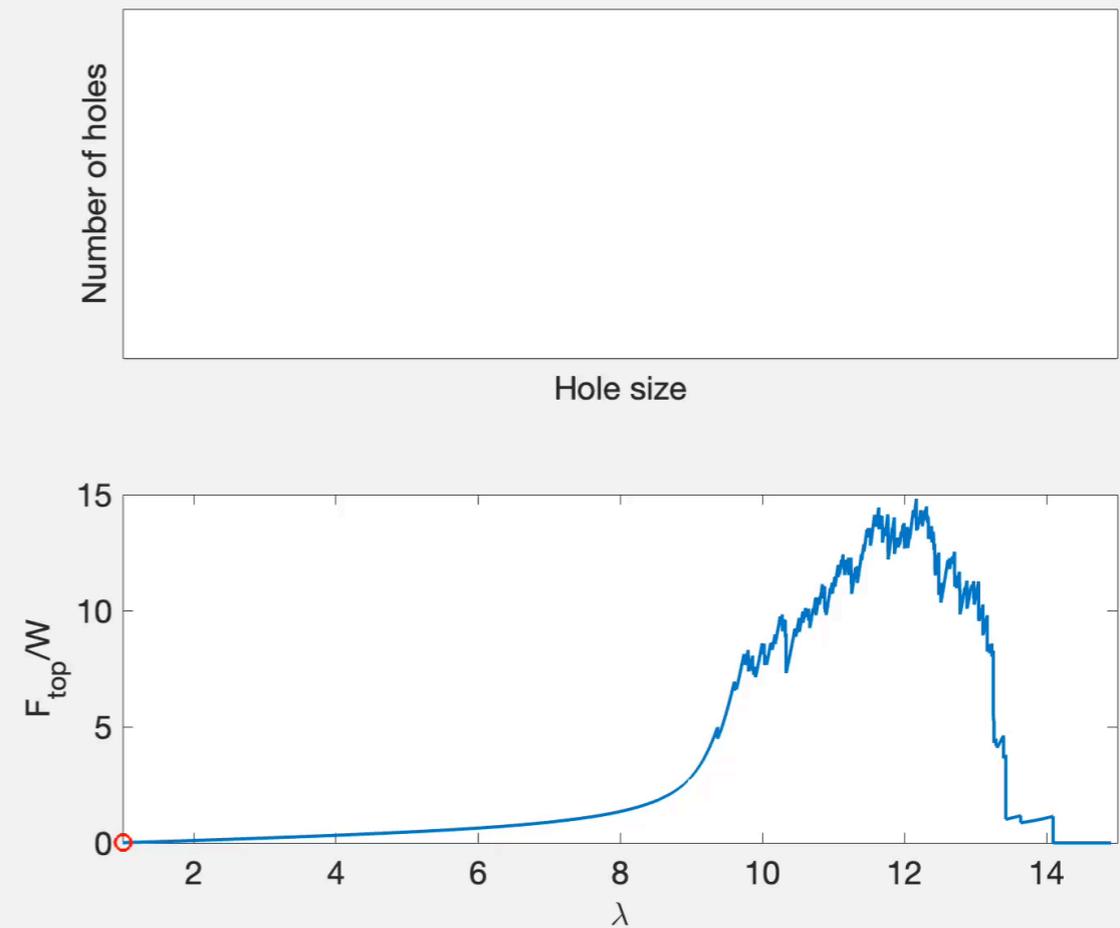
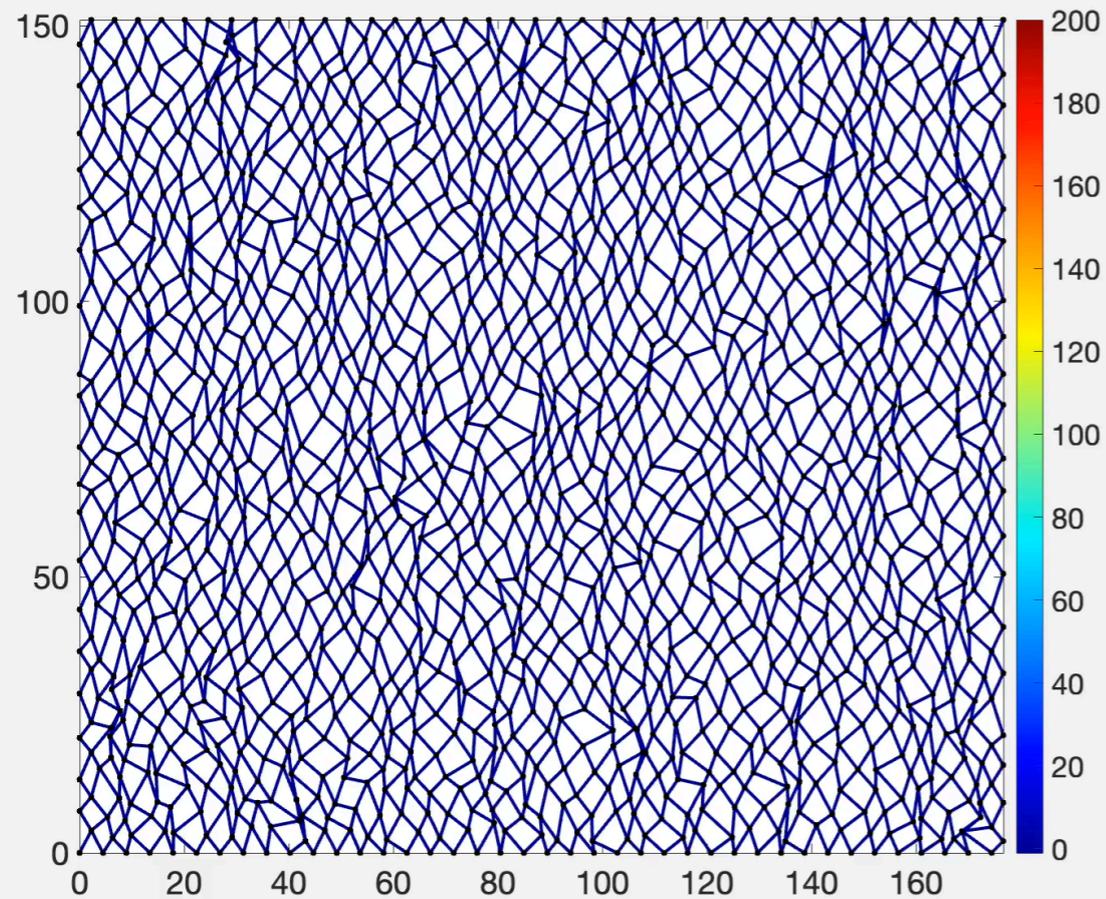
Noisy nonlinear oscillator with periodic forcing

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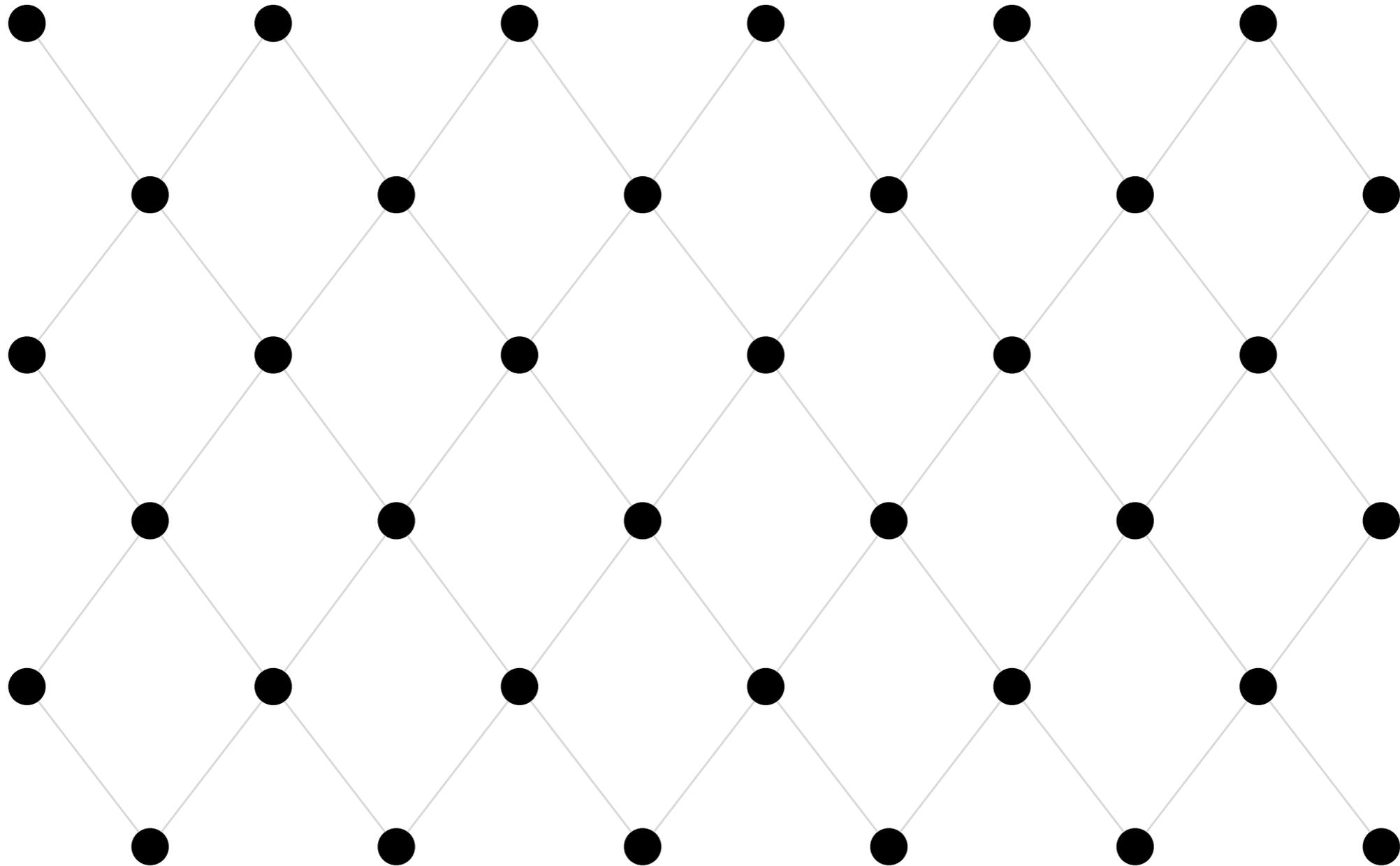
Polymer network fracture and random graphs

Manyuan Tao, work in preparation



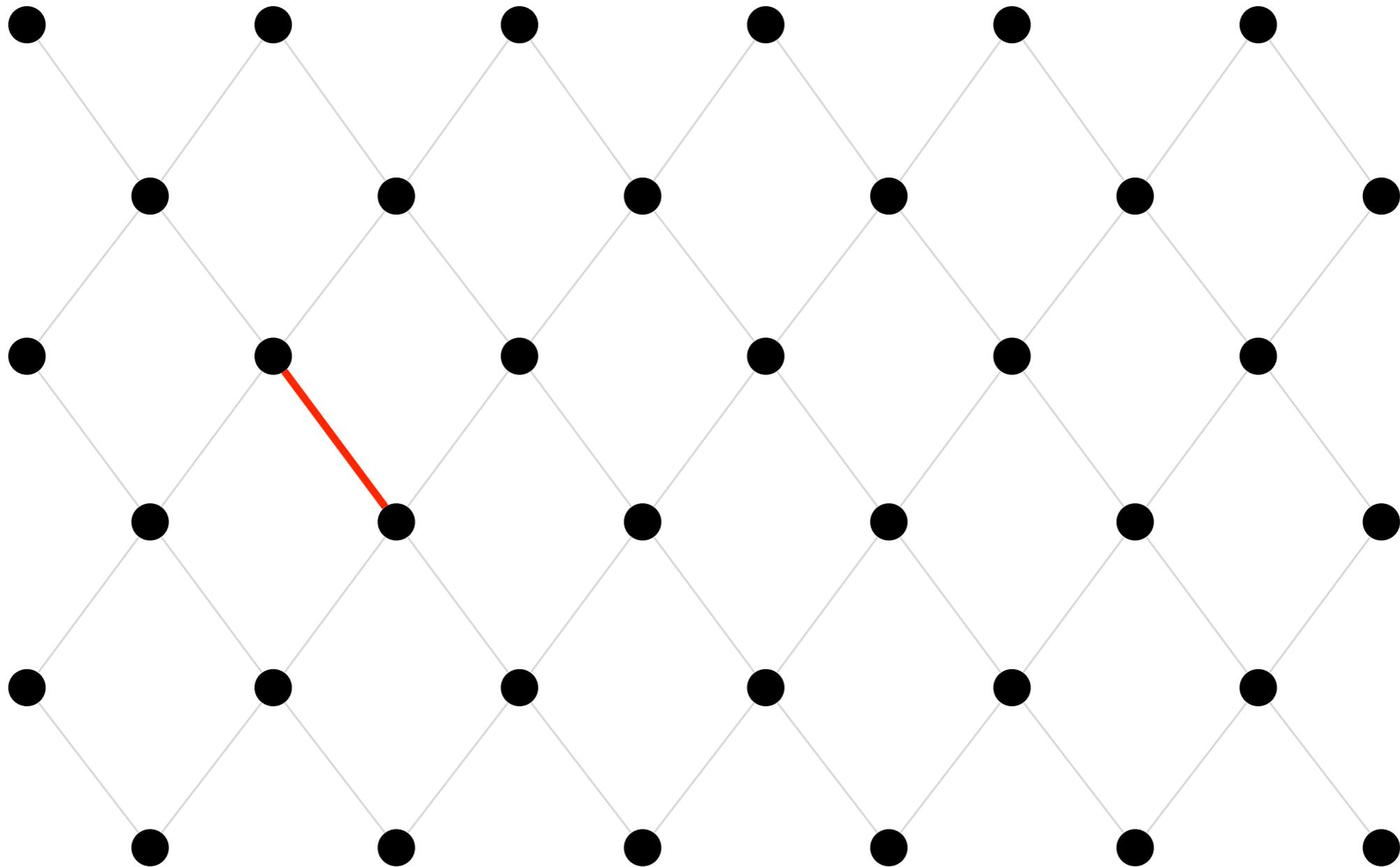
Goal: develop a random graph model describing the evolution of holes

Vertices = the network cells. Initially, there are no holes, hence no edges



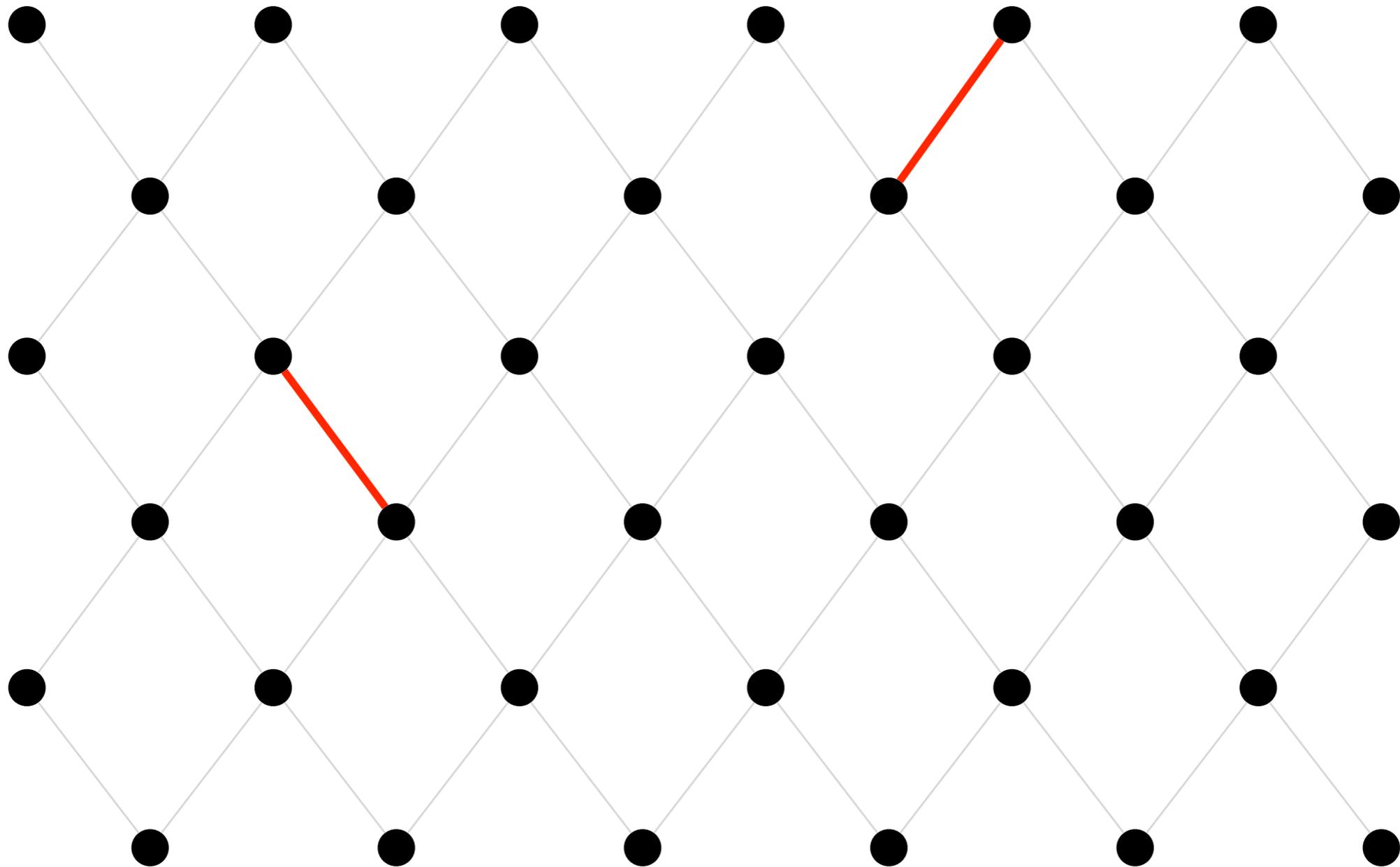
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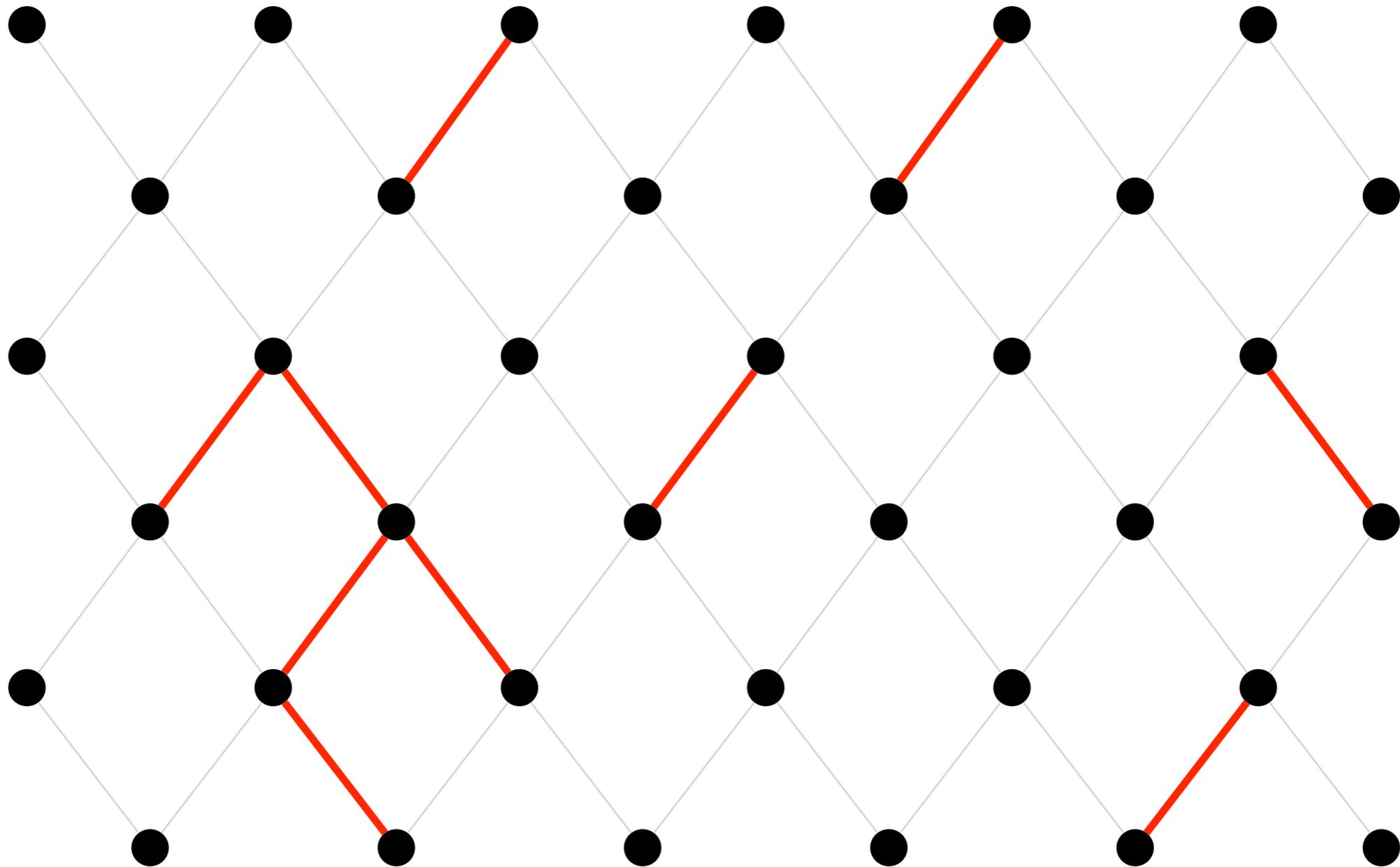
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Time = 2: add one edge at random



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Time = j : j edges



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Research plan and research questions

- Assume that the network is N -by- N where N is large.
- Start with the assumption that the edges are added uniformly at random.
- Predict the size distribution of connected components at time t .
- Predict time at which the giant component arises.
- Predict the time or complete fracture for the polymer network.
- Compare with the experimental data.
- Assume a preferential attachment model for adding edges.
- Predict the component size distribution, the time at which the giant component arises, and the time of fracture of the polymer network.