

# ***Learning PDE model reductions/ moment closures of stochastic reaction-diffusion dynamics***

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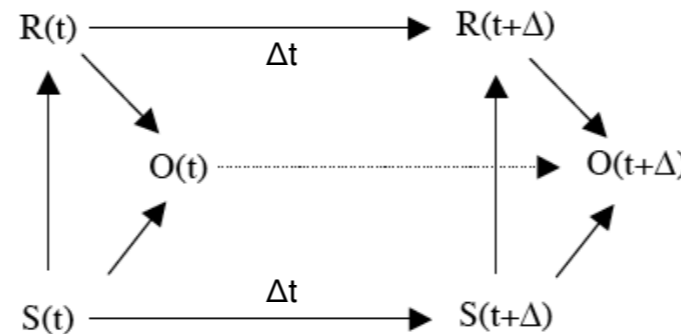
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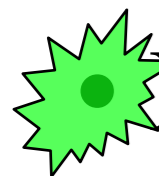
# Mapping: Model reduction

[Johnson, Bartol, Sejnowski, and Mjolsness.  
 Physical Biology 12:4, July 2015]



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$$\frac{dp}{dt} = W \cdot p$$



**Nonspatial:**

$$\hat{p}(R, t) = \exp \left[ - \sum_{\alpha} \mu_{\alpha}(t) V_{\alpha}(R) \right] / \hat{Z}(\mu(t))$$

- Graph-Constrained Correlation Dynamics
- warmup case for ...

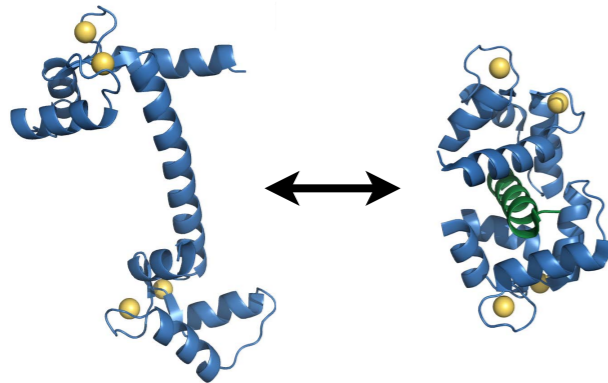
• **Spatial generalization:**

$$\tilde{p}(n, \mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\alpha}, t) = \frac{1}{Z} \exp \left[ - \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{\langle j \rangle} \nu_k(\mathbf{x}_{\langle j \rangle}, \boldsymbol{\alpha}_{\langle j \rangle}, t) \right],$$

- Dynamic Boltzmann distributions

# E.g.: Synapse CaMKII Signaling Model

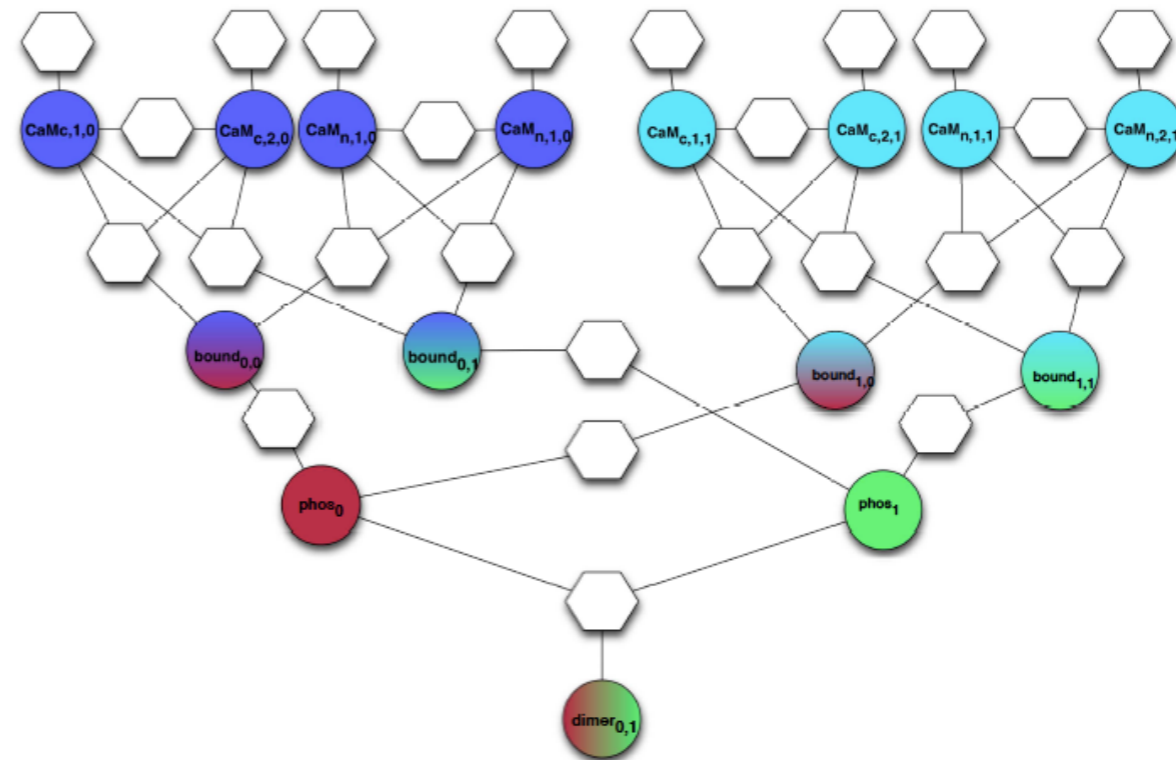
*interacting particles with dynamical state information*



[Pepke et al., PLoS Comp Bio, 2010]

(\* CaM binding/unbinding free CaMKII \*)  
 $\{CaM[n,c], CaMKII[num]\} \rightarrow \{Kk[n,c,0], CaMKII[num-1]\},$   
 with  $[num * kon2[n,c,p0] / timeMultiplier],$   
 $\{Kk[a0,b0,0], CaMKII[num]\} \rightarrow \{CaM[a0,b0], CaMKII[num+1]\},$   
 with  $[koff2[a0,b0,0] If [a0 >= 0 \& \& b0 >= 0, 1, 0] / timeMultiplier],$

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[Phys Bio 2015] [Johnson PhD thesis 2012].  
 Original model: [Pepke et al. 2010]

Figure 7.1: An MRF model of calcium binding, CaM/CaMKII interaction, and CaMKII dimerization.

# GCCD: Target and Approximate Stochastic Dynamics

[Physical Biology 2015]

- Target stoch. dynamics: Chemical master equation

$$\boxed{\frac{dp}{dt} = W \cdot p} \quad \text{i.e.} \quad \frac{d p([n_i])}{dt} \simeq \sum_r \rho^{(r)} \left( \prod_j (n_j - S_j^{(r)})_{m_j^{(r)}} \right) p([n_i - S_i^{(r)}]) - \sum_r \rho^{(r)} \left( \prod_j (n_j)_{\tilde{m}_j^{(r)}} \right) p([n_i])$$

- Approximation: Boltzmann/MRF + parameter ODEs

$$\boxed{\hat{p}(R, t) = \exp \left[ - \sum_{\alpha} \mu_{\alpha}(t) V_{\alpha}(R) \right] / \hat{Z}(\mu(t))}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{d}{dt} \mu_{\alpha} = f_{\alpha}(\mu | \theta) = \sum_A \theta_A f_{\alpha A}(\mu)}$$

- Error criterion: L1-regularized sum squared error

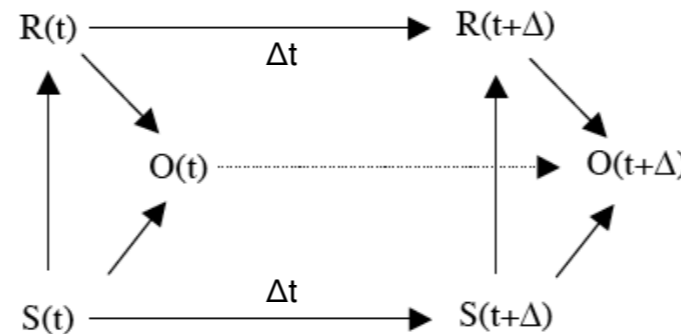
$$\boxed{S([\theta_A]) = \sum_{\alpha, t_{discr}} \left\| \left. \frac{d\mu_{\alpha}(t)}{dt} \right|_{fit} [\theta_{\alpha A}] - \left. \frac{d\mu_{\alpha}(t)}{dt} \right|_{BMLA} \right\|^2 + \lambda \sum_A |\theta_A|}$$

- Name: Graph-Constrained Correlation Dynamics

• “Graph” = assumed MRF structure graph; “Correlations” =  $\mu_c V_c(X_c)$

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# MaxEnt Problem

$$S = \int_0^\infty dt \mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{KL}}(p||\tilde{p})$$

$$\text{w/ } \mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{KL}}(p||\tilde{p}) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \int d\mathbf{x} p \ln \frac{p}{\tilde{p}}$$

$$\tilde{p}(n, \mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\alpha}, t) = \frac{1}{Z} \exp \left[ - \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{\langle j \rangle} \nu_k(\mathbf{x}_{\langle j \rangle}, \boldsymbol{\alpha}_{\langle j \rangle}, t) \right],$$

## Variational problem

$$\frac{\delta S}{\delta F_k[\{\nu_k(\mathbf{x})\}_{k=1}^K]} = 0 \text{ for } k = 1, \dots, K \text{ at all } \mathbf{x} \quad (12)$$

where the variation is with respect to a set of **functionals**

$$\dot{\nu}_k(\mathbf{x}) = F_k[\{\nu_k\}_{k=1}^K] \quad (13)$$

... Higher-order calculus!

# Variational Problem: Spatial systems

$$\frac{\delta S}{\delta F_k[\nu(\mathbf{x})]} = \sum_{k'=1}^K \int d\mathbf{x}' \int dt \frac{\delta S}{\delta \nu_{k'}(\mathbf{x}', t)} \frac{\delta \nu_{k'}(\mathbf{x}', t)}{\delta F_k[\nu(\mathbf{x})]} = 0 \quad (19)$$

①

$$\frac{\delta S}{\delta \nu_{k'}(\mathbf{x}', t)} = \left\langle \sum_{\langle i \rangle_{k'}^n} \delta(\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x}_{\langle i \rangle_{k'}^n}) \right\rangle_p - \left\langle \sum_{\langle i \rangle_{k'}^n} \delta(\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x}_{\langle i \rangle_{k'}^n}) \right\rangle_{\tilde{p}} \quad (20)$$

e.g.  $k' = 1$  :  $\left\langle \sum_{i=1}^n \delta(x_i - x') \right\rangle$  for all  $x'$

$k' = 2$  :  $\left\langle \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j>i} \delta(x_i - x'_1) \delta(x_j - x'_2) \right\rangle$  for all  $x'_1, x'_2$

**Need to choose a parametrization for functional!**

②

$$\rho(x) \sim \exp\left[-\frac{(x-x_0)^2}{4Dt}\right] \rightarrow \exp[-\nu_1(x)]$$

$$\text{satisfies: } \frac{\partial \nu_1}{\partial t} = D\nabla^2 \nu_1(x) - D(\nabla \nu_1(x))^2$$

$$\therefore F_k[\nu(\mathbf{x})] = F_k^{(0)} + \sum_{\lambda=1}^k F_{k\lambda}^{(1)} (\nabla \nu_\lambda)^2 + \sum_{\lambda=1}^k F_{k\lambda}^{(2)} (\nabla^2 \nu_\lambda) \quad (20)$$

where:  $F$  = some funcs of  $\nu$  on LHS

$$\frac{\delta S}{\delta F_k^{(0)}} = 0, \quad \frac{\delta S}{\delta F_{k\lambda}^{(1)}} = 0, \quad \frac{\delta S}{\delta F_{k\lambda}^{(2)}} = 0$$

## PDE-constrained Optimization Problem

$$\text{Minimize } \sum_{k'=1}^K \int_0^\infty dt \left( \left\langle \sum_{\langle i \rangle_{k'}^n} \delta(\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x}_{\langle i \rangle_{k'}^n}) \right\rangle_p - \left\langle \sum_{\langle i \rangle_{k'}^n} \delta(\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x}_{\langle i \rangle_{k'}^n}) \right\rangle_{\bar{p}} \right) \frac{\delta \nu_{k'}(t)}{\delta F} \quad (23)$$

subject to PDE constraints for  $\delta \nu_{k'}(t)/\delta F$ .



# Adjoint method BMLA-like learning algorithm

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## Algorithm 1 Stochastic Gradient Descent for Learning Restricted Boltzmann Machine Dynamics

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1: **Initialize**

2: Parameters  $\mathbf{u}_k$  controlling the functions  $F_k(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \mathbf{u}_k)$  for all  $k = 1, \dots, K$ .

3: Time interval  $[t_0, t_f]$ , a formula for the learning rate  $\lambda$ .

4: **while** not converged **do**

5: Initialize  $\Delta F_{k,i} = 0$  for all  $k = 1, \dots, K$  and parameters  $i = 1, \dots, M_k$ .

6: **for** sample in batch **do**

7:   ▷ *Generate trajectory in reduced space  $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ :*

8:   Solve the PDE constraint (27) for  $\theta_k(t)$  with a given IC  $\theta_{k,0}$  over  $t_0 \leq t \leq t_f$ , for all  $k$ .

9:   ▷ *Wake phase:*

$$\longleftrightarrow \frac{d}{dt} \theta_k(t) = F_k(\boldsymbol{\theta}(t); \mathbf{u}_k)$$

10:   Evaluate moments  $\mu_k(t)$  of the data for all  $k, t$ .

11:   ▷ *Sleep phase:*

12:   Evaluate moments  $\tilde{\mu}_k(t)$  of the Boltzmann distribution.

13:   ▷ *Solve the adjoint system:*

14:   Solve the adjoint system (31) for  $\phi_k(t)$  for all  $k, t$ .

$$\longleftrightarrow \frac{d}{dt} \phi_k(t) = \tilde{\mu}_k(t) - \mu_k(t) - \sum_{l=1}^K \frac{\partial F_l(\boldsymbol{\theta}(t); \mathbf{u}_l)}{\partial \theta_k(t)} \phi_l(t),$$

15:   ▷ *Evaluate the objective function:*

16:   Update  $\Delta F_{k,i}$  as the cumulative moving average of the sensitivity equation (30) over the batch.

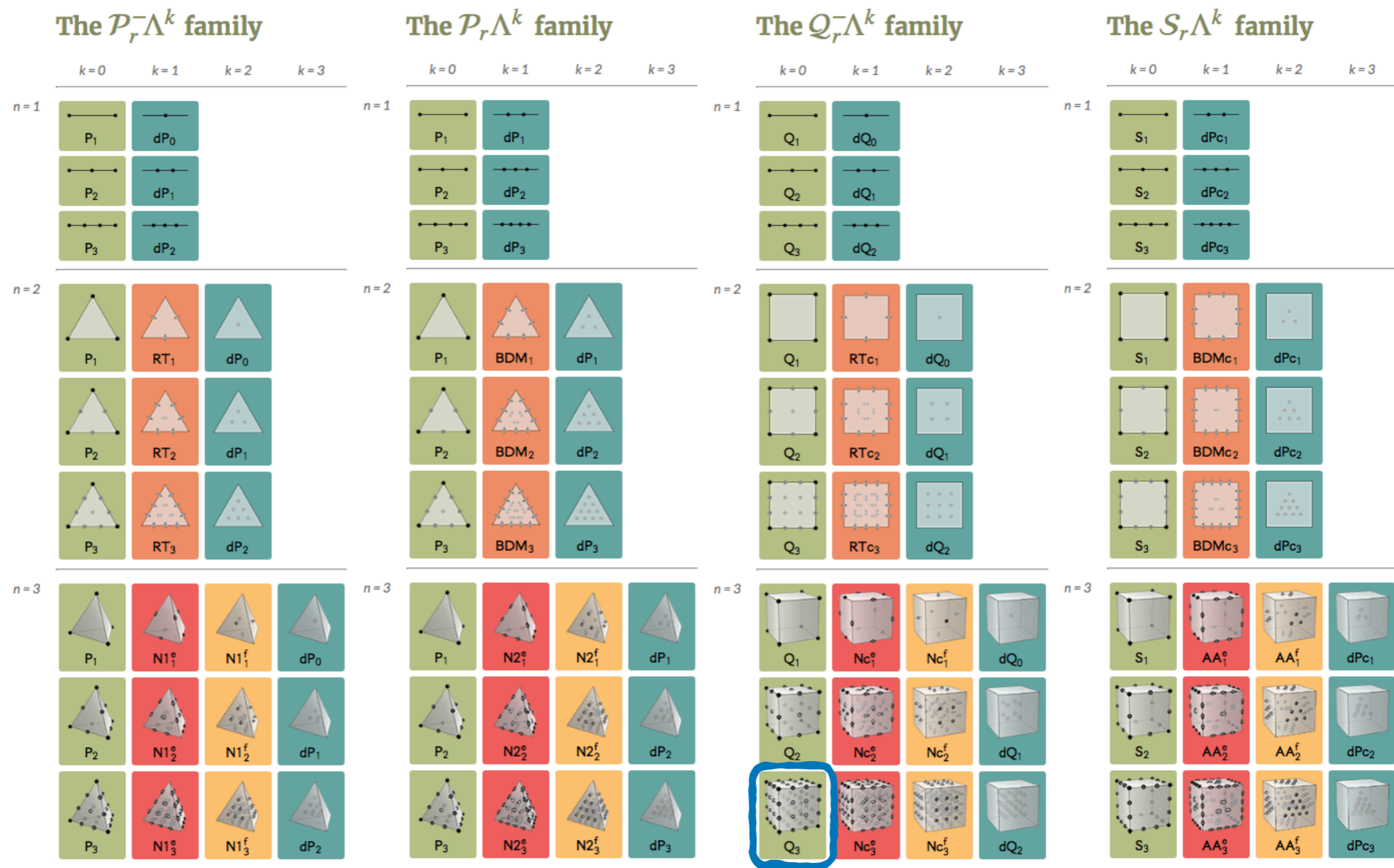
17:   ▷ *Update to decrease objective function:*

18:    $\mathbf{u}_{k,i} \rightarrow \mathbf{u}_{k,i} - \lambda \Delta F_{k,i}$  for all  $k, i$ .

$$\frac{dS}{d\mathbf{u}_{k,i}} \updownarrow = - \int_{t_0}^{t_f} dt \frac{\partial F_k(\boldsymbol{\theta}(t); \mathbf{u}_k)}{\partial \mathbf{u}_{k,i}} \phi_k(t).$$


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# Periodic Table of the Finite Elements



# Benefit of Hidden Units

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*Network: fratricide + lattice diffusion*

- Learned DBD ODE RHS, without and with hidden units

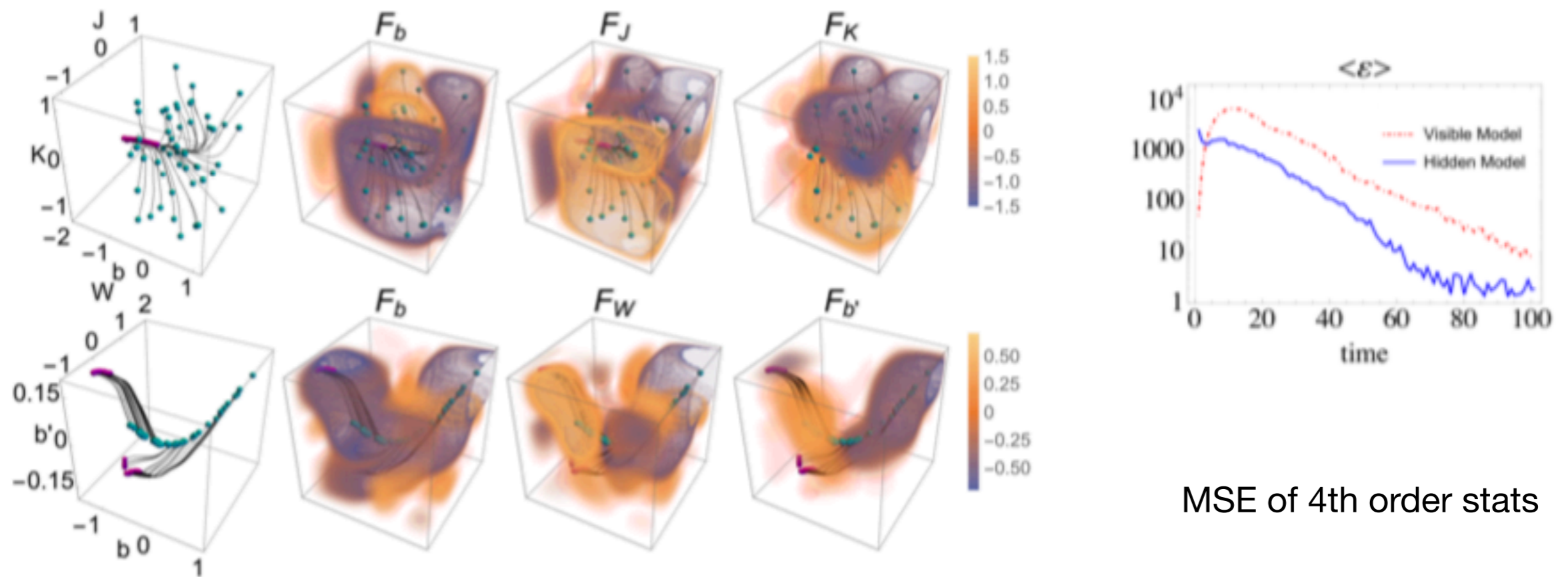
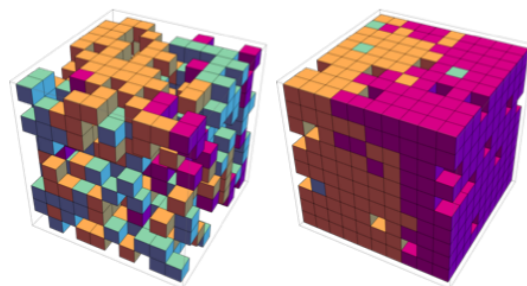


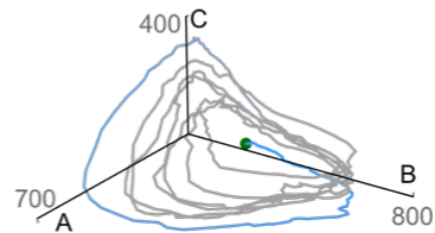
FIG. 2. *Top row:* Learned time-evolution functions for the fully visible model (19), using the  $Q_3$ ,  $C_1$  finite element parameterization (21) with  $5 \times 5 \times 5$  evenly spaced cubic cells. Left: Training set of initial points  $(b, J, K)$  (cyan) sampled evenly in  $[-1, 1]$ . Stochastic simulations for each initial point are used as training data (learned trajectories shown in black, endpoints in magenta). Other panels: the time evolution functions learned. *Bottom row:* Hidden layer model (20) and parameterization (21) with the same number of cells as the visible model. Initial points are generated by BM learning the points of the visible model.

# Rössler Oscillator in 3D

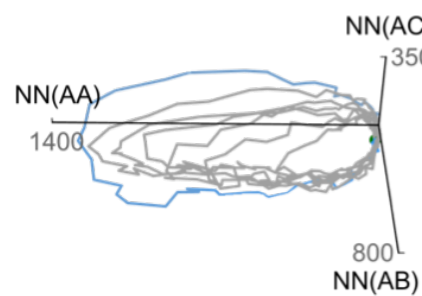
- Function:



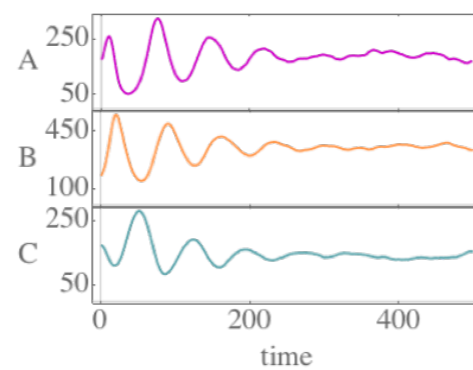
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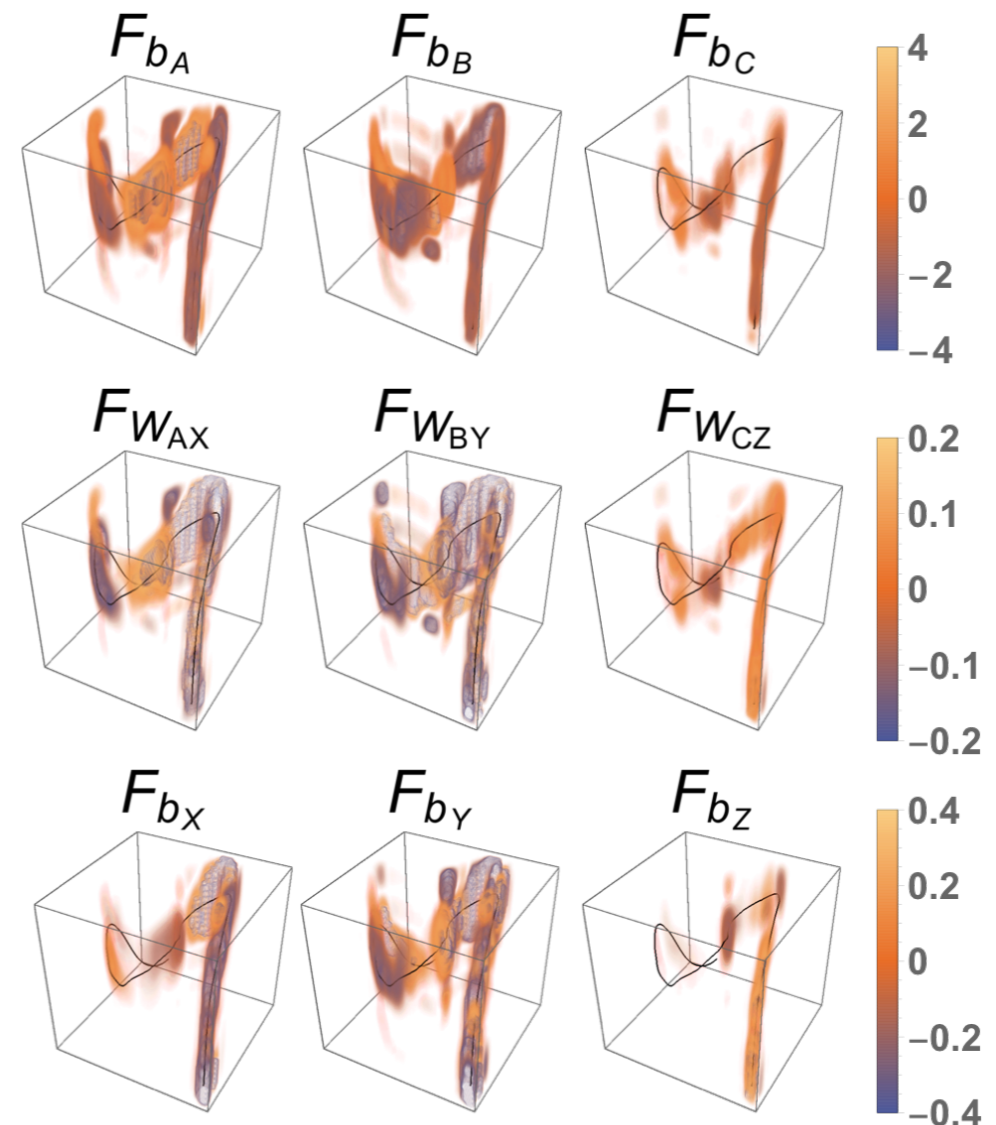


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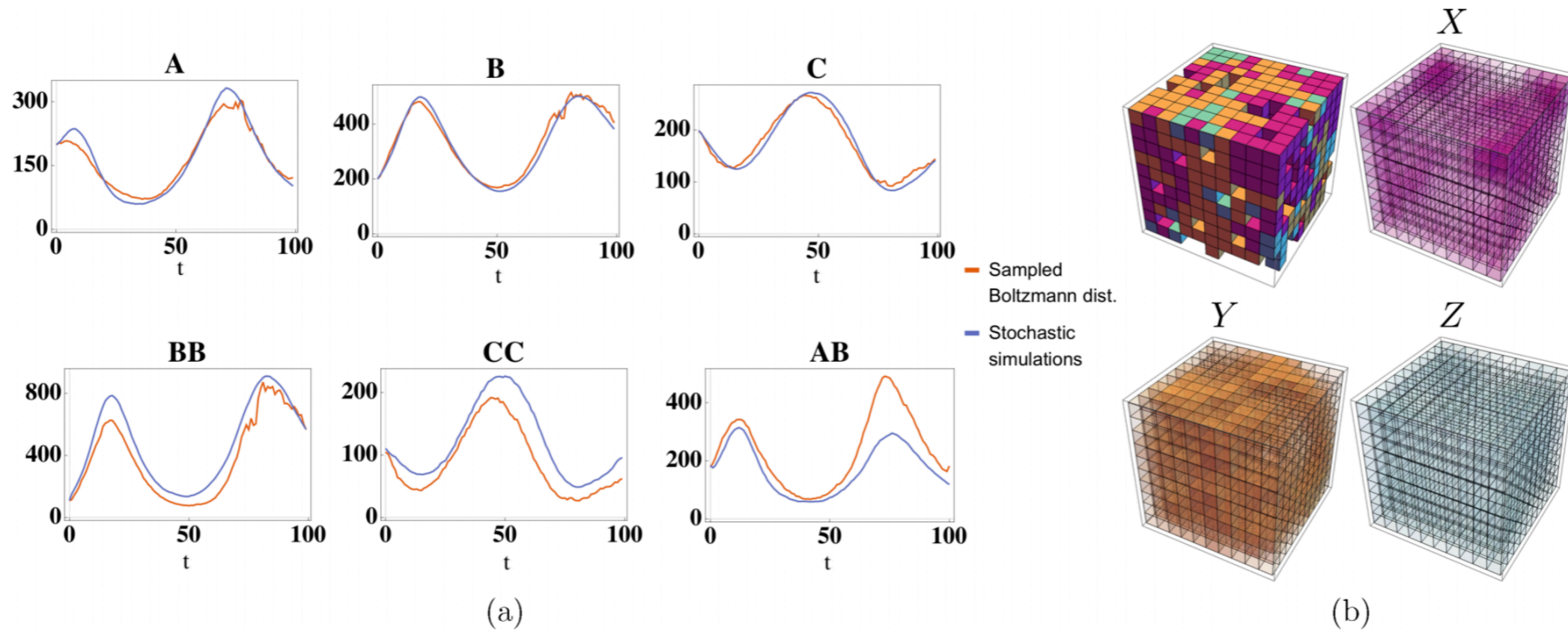
(d)

- Learned DBD ODE RHS:



# Rössler Oscillator in 3D

- Learned correlations:
- Learned Configuration



# Fields to Structures

$$\frac{dp}{dt} = W \cdot p$$

- Fields: PDE differential operator dynamics in  $W$
- Dynamical Graph Grammars (DGGs):
  - operator addition of reactions, GGs, ODEs;
  - but what about PDEs?
- Approximately eliminate fields by:
  - Cell complexes in PDE (adaptive) meshing / FEMs, FVMs

# MT fiber

## Stochastic Parametrized Graph Grammar

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (\bullet_1) \ll (\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{u}_1) \gg \longrightarrow (\circ_1 \longrightarrow \bullet_2) \ll (\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{u}_1), (\mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{u}_2) \gg \\
 & \quad \text{with } \hat{\rho}_{\text{grow}}([\text{tubulin}]) \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{x}_2; L\mathbf{u}_1, \sigma) \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{u}_2; \mathbf{u}_1 / (|\mathbf{u}_1| + \epsilon), \epsilon), \\
 & (\blacksquare_1 \longrightarrow \circ_2) \ll (\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{u}_1), (\mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{u}_2) \gg \longrightarrow (\blacksquare_2) \ll (\mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{u}_2) \gg \\
 & \quad \text{with } \hat{\rho}_{\text{retract}} \\
 & \left( \begin{array}{c} \circ_1 \longrightarrow \circ_2 \longrightarrow \circ_3 \\ \bullet_4 \end{array} \right) \ll (\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{u}_1), (\mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{u}_2), (\mathbf{x}_3, \mathbf{u}_3), (\mathbf{x}_4, \mathbf{u}_4) \gg \\
 & \longrightarrow \left( \begin{array}{c} \circ_1 \longrightarrow \blacktriangle_2 \longrightarrow \circ_3 \\ \circ_4 \nearrow \end{array} \right) \ll (\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{u}_1), (\mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{u}_2), (\mathbf{x}_3, \mathbf{u}_3), (\mathbf{x}_4, \mathbf{u}_4) \gg \\
 & \quad \text{with } \hat{\rho}_{\text{bundle}}(|\mathbf{u}_2 \cdot \mathbf{u}_4| / |\cos \theta_{\text{crit}}|) \exp(-|\mathbf{x}_2 - \mathbf{x}_4|^2 / 2L^2) \\
 & (\blacksquare_1 \longrightarrow \bullet_2) \ll (\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{u}_1), (\mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{u}_2) \gg \longleftrightarrow \emptyset \quad \text{with } \left( \hat{\rho}_{\text{retract}}, \right. \\
 & \quad \left. \hat{\rho}_{\text{nucleate}}([\text{tubulin}]) \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{0}, \sigma_{\text{broad}}) \delta_{\text{Dirac}}(|\mathbf{u}_1| - 1) \delta_{\text{Dirac}}(\mathbf{u}_1 - \mathbf{u}_2) \right) \\
 & (\bullet_1) \ll (\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{u}_1) \gg \longleftrightarrow (\blacksquare_1) \ll (\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{u}_1) \gg \\
 & \quad \text{with } (\hat{\rho}_{\text{retract} \leftarrow \text{growth}}, \hat{\rho}_{\text{growth} \leftarrow \text{retract}})
 \end{aligned}$$

# MT fiber

## Stochastic Parametrized Graph Grammar

// (continued)

// Fiber collision, with several alternative discrete outcomes:

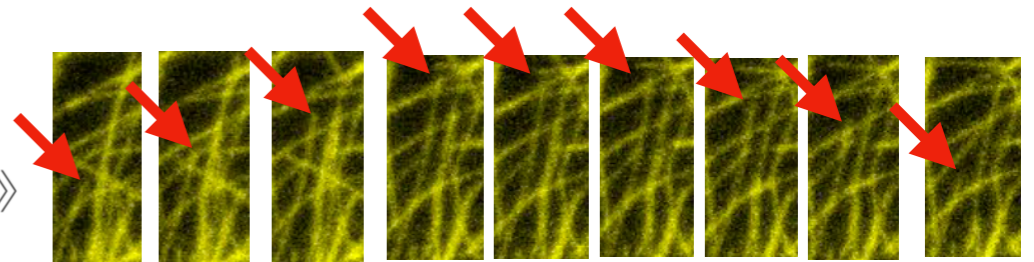
$$\left( \begin{array}{c} \star_1 \text{ --- } \circ_2 \text{ --- } \star_3 \\ \circ_4 \text{ --- } \bullet_5 \end{array} \right) \ll \langle (x_1, u_1), (l_2, u_2), (x_3, u_3), (l_4, u_4), (x_5, u_5) \rangle \gg$$



$$\rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{c} \star_1 \text{ --- } \circ_6 \text{ --- } \blacktriangle_2 \text{ --- } \circ_7 \text{ --- } \star_3 \\ \circ_4 \end{array} \right) \ll \langle (x_1, u_1), (x_2, u_2), (x_3, u_3), (l_4, u_4), \emptyset, (\alpha l_4, u_2), ((1 - \alpha)l_4, u_2) \rangle \gg$$

with  $\hat{\rho}_{\text{bundle}}(|\mathbf{u}_2 \cdot \mathbf{u}_4| / |\cos \theta_{\text{crit}}|) \exp(-\gamma^2 / 2\epsilon^2) \Theta(\epsilon \leq \alpha \leq 1 - \epsilon)$

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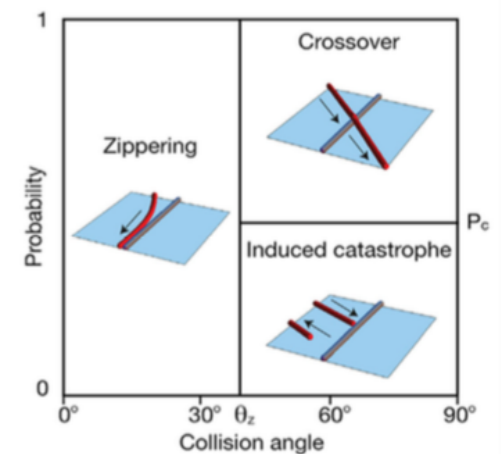


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$$\rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{c} \bullet_9 \\ \circ_8 \\ \star_1 \text{ --- } \circ_6 \text{ --- } \blacklozenge_2 \text{ --- } \circ_7 \text{ --- } \star_3 \\ \circ_4 \end{array} \right) \ll \langle (x_1, u_1), ((1 - \alpha)x_1 + \alpha x_3, u_2), (x_3, u_3), (l_4, u_4), \emptyset, (\alpha l_2, u_2), ((1 - \alpha)l_2, u_2), (\epsilon l_4, u_4), (x_2 + \epsilon l_4 u_4), u_4) \rangle \gg$$

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where  $\gamma = -[(x_3 - x_1) \times (x_1 - x_5)]_z / [(x_3 - x_1) \times \mathbf{u}_5]_z$  // rel. distance to intersection along  $\mathbf{u}_5$   
 $\alpha = -[(x_1 - x_5) \times \mathbf{u}_5]_z / [(x_3 - x_1) \times \mathbf{u}_5]_z$  // fractional location of intersection along  $\mathbf{u}_2$



[Chakraborty et al. Current Biology]



# Cajete MT: First Light



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# Why operator algebra yields algorithms

- Baker Campbell Hausdorff theorem
  - $\Rightarrow$  operator splitting algorithms e.g. Trotter Product Formula ...

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[ e^{(t/n) H_0} e^{(t/n) H_1} \right]^n$$

- Time-ordered product expansions  $\Rightarrow$   
Stochastic Simulation Algorithm (SSA)
  - [EMj, Phys Bio 2013]

$$\begin{aligned} \exp(t(W_0 + W_1)) &= \exp(t W_0) \left( \exp \left( \int_0^t \exp(-\tau W_0) W_1 \exp(\tau W_0) d\tau \right) \right)_+ \\ &\equiv \exp(t W_0) \left( \exp \left( \int_0^t W_1(\tau) d\tau \right) \right)_+ \end{aligned}$$

- weighted SSA (wSSA) possible too

# Algebra of Labelled-Graph Rewrite Rules

$$\hat{W}_{G^{r2} \text{ in} \rightarrow G^{r2} \text{ out}} \hat{W}_{G^{r1} \text{ in} \rightarrow G^{r1} \text{ out}} \simeq \sum_{\substack{H \subseteq G^{r1} \text{ out} \simeq \tilde{H} \subseteq G^{r2} \text{ in} \\ | \text{ edge-maximal} }} \sum_{h: H \xrightarrow{1-1} \tilde{H}} \hat{W}_{G^{r1} \text{ in} \cup (G^{r2} \text{ in} \setminus \tilde{H}) \xrightarrow{h} G^{r2} \text{ out} \cup (G^{r1} \text{ out} \setminus H)}$$

E.g.:

$$[\hat{W}_2, \hat{W}_1] = [(\blacksquare_{1'} \rightarrow \circ_{2'}) \rightarrow (\blacksquare_{2'}), (\bullet_1) \rightarrow (\circ_1 \rightarrow \bullet_2)]$$

$$\simeq (\blacksquare_{1'} \rightarrow \bullet_1) \rightarrow (\blacksquare_1 \rightarrow \bullet_2)$$

$$[\hat{W}_3, \hat{W}_1] = \left[ \left( \begin{array}{c} \circ_{1'} \rightarrow \circ_{2'} \rightarrow \circ_{3'} \\ \bullet_{4'} \end{array} \right) \rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{c} \circ_{1'} \rightarrow \blacktriangle_{2'} \rightarrow \circ_{3'} \\ \circ_{4'} \end{array} \right), (\bullet_1) \rightarrow (\circ_1 \rightarrow \bullet_2) \right]$$

$$\simeq \left( \begin{array}{c} \circ_{1'} \rightarrow \circ_{2'} \rightarrow \bullet_1 \\ \bullet_{4'} \end{array} \right) \rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{c} \circ_{1'} \rightarrow \blacktriangle_{2'} \rightarrow \circ_1 \rightarrow \bullet_2 \\ \circ_{4'} \end{array} \right) \quad (\text{rare coincidence})$$

$$+ \left( \begin{array}{c} \circ_{1'} \rightarrow \circ_{2'} \rightarrow \circ_{3'} \\ \bullet_{1'} \end{array} \right) \rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{c} \circ_{1'} \rightarrow \blacktriangle_{2'} \rightarrow \circ_{3'} \\ \circ_2 \end{array} \right) \quad (\text{likely})$$

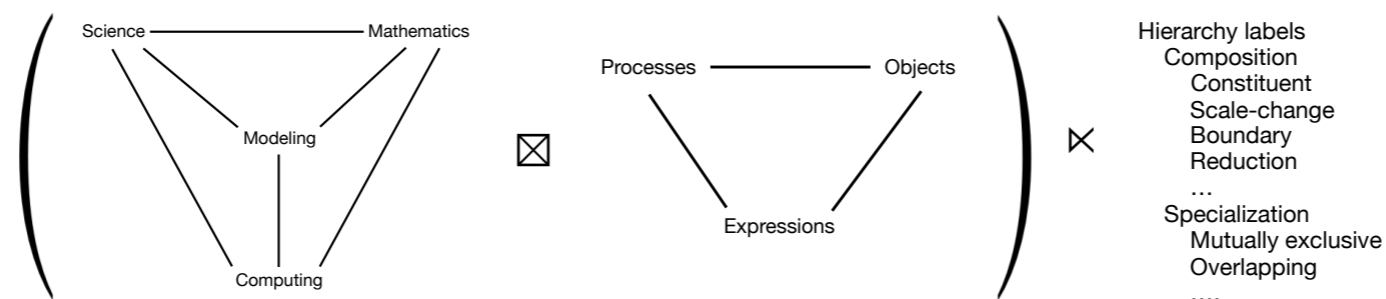
$$+ (\circ_{1'} \rightarrow \circ_{2'} \rightarrow \bullet_1) \rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{c} \circ_{1'} \rightarrow \blacktriangle_{2'} \rightarrow \circ_1 \\ \circ_{4'} \end{array} \right) \quad (\text{high bending energy})$$

+ (3 terms whose LHS rely on MT syntax violations - omitted)

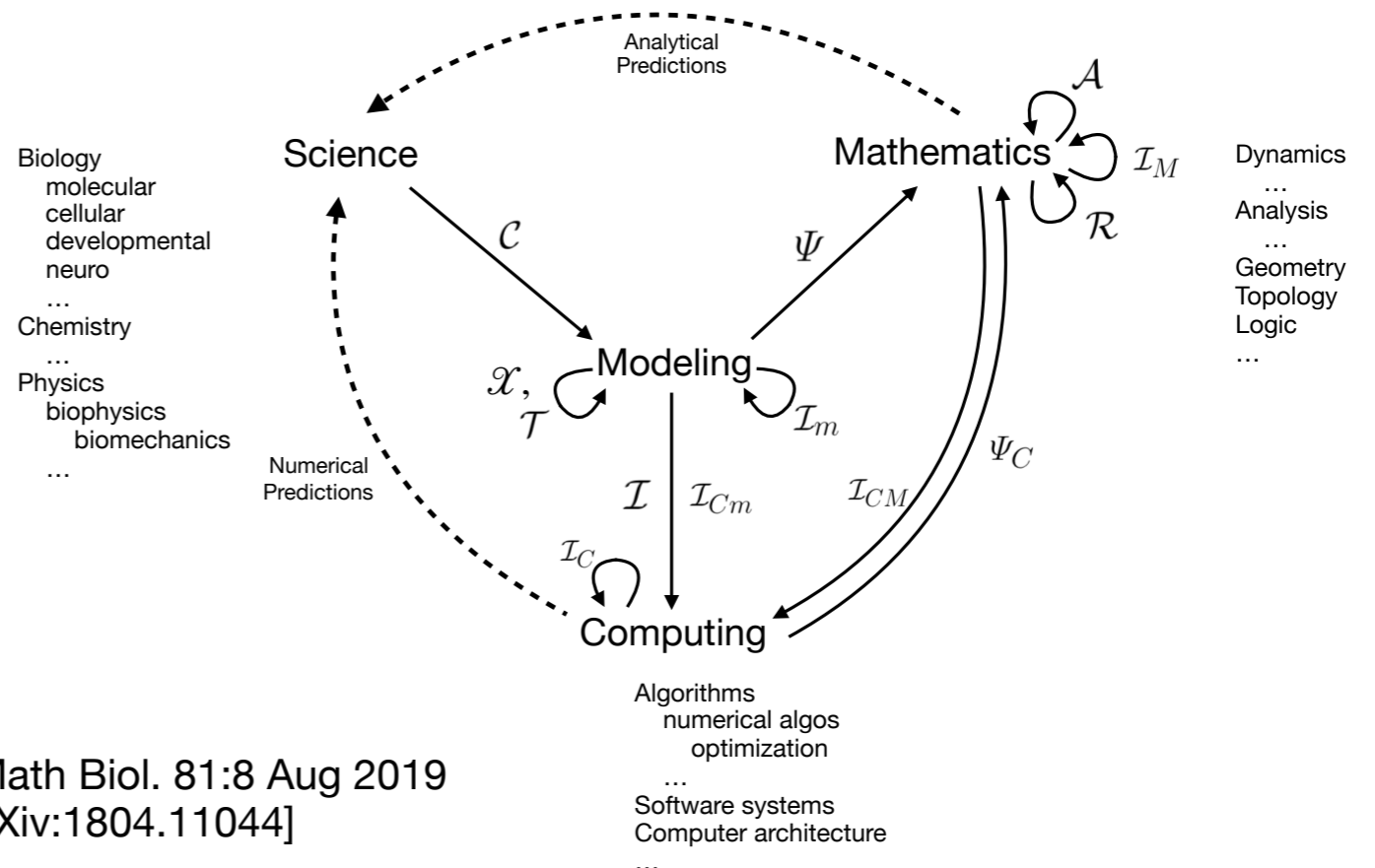


# “Tchicomá” Architecture for Mathematical Modeling

- Language meta-hierarchy: *(a DAG with edge labels in a tree)*



- Mappings therein:  
*respecting compositional structure*



## Features:

- Enables problem-solving  
via chaining, theorem-proving
- Foments abstraction  
via commutation
- Decoupled, yet can be efficient

# Conclusions

- Model reduction can be achieved by machine learning, in spatial stochastic models. Reaction/diffusion examples.
- Declarative modeling languages with operator algebra semantics can support generic model reduction.
- Morpho-dynamic spatial structures can be modeled by dynamical graph grammars with operator semantics. Bio-universal; scalability is in progress. MT examples.
- Model stacks are the key data structure for understanding complex bio systems.
  - They require model reduction and bio-universal modeling languages (perhaps as above).
  - They can intersect productively, and could be curated in a proposed conceptual architecture “Tchicoma”.
  - “Intelligent Formal Methods for Stacks of Models - InformCosm”
- In these ways, both symbolic and numeric AI can (and should!) be brought to bear on understanding complex biological systems.

