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Quantum Thermodynamics



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Quantum Advantages

Quantum Computing

- exponential speed up

Quantum Cryptography

- non-breakable secret key distribution

Quantum Metrology

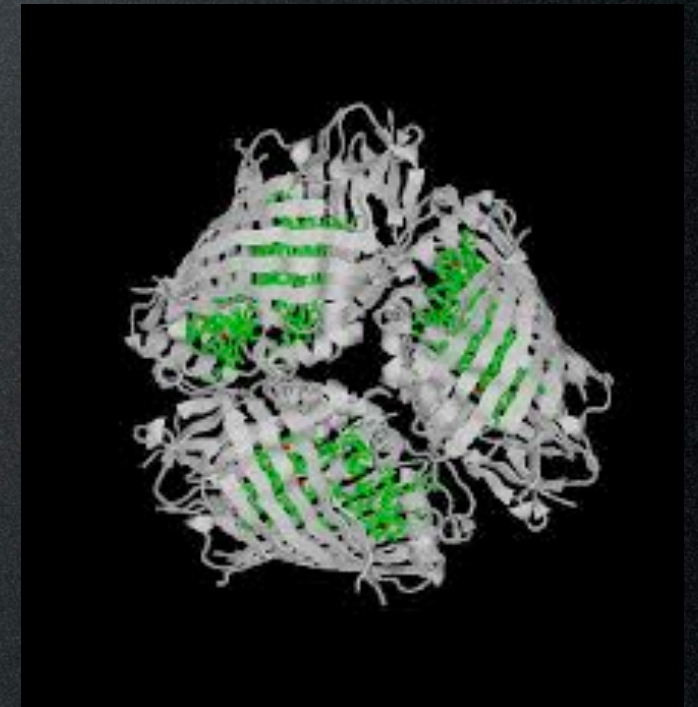
- increased accuracy

Quantum Simulation

- faster predictions

Quantum Biology

- increased transfer efficiency



Quantum thermodynamics - Motivation

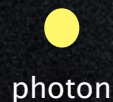
MICROSCOPIC WORLD

- atoms, electrons, photons

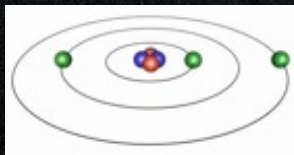
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Quantum Mechanics

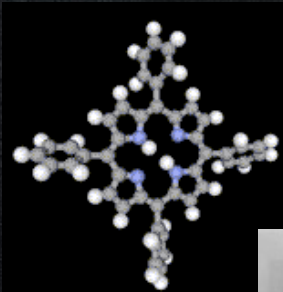
- superpositions
- quantum correlations



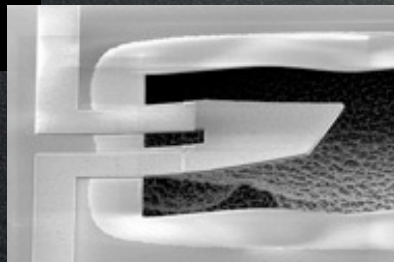
photon



atom



bio-molecule



micro-meter resonator

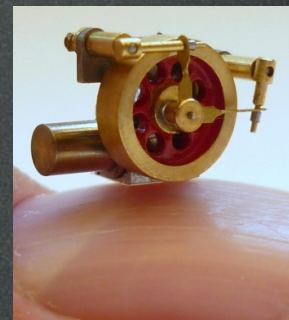
MACROSCOPIC WORLD

- gases, fluids, solids
- pistons and weights

1 m/1 kg

Classical Thermodynamics

- work, heat, entropy
- 1st law, 2nd law, 3rd law
- Carnot efficiency, engines



Quantum thermodynamics

- include small ensemble sizes
- include non-equilibrium properties
- include quantum properties

COST network (2013-2017)



MPNS COST Action MP1209

Thermodynamics in the quantum regime



QTD announcements: <https://qtd.ifisc.uib-csic.es/>

Quantum Thermodynamics Conference QTD2020

Barcelona - Spain
20 - 24 April 2020

check QTD webpage <http://qtd.ifisc.uib-csic.es/> for updates



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Lecture overview

I - Work extraction from quantum coherences

II - Maxwell's demon and his exorcism - experimental evidence

III - Thermodynamics beyond the weak coupling limit

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- Laws of Thermodynamics
- Landauer's principle
- Quantum Jarzynski equality
- Thermodynamic resource theory
- Work from quantum coherences
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ideal gas

$$N k T = p V$$



Boltzmann 1880

macroscopic quantities

thermodynamics

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internal energy, U

heat, Q

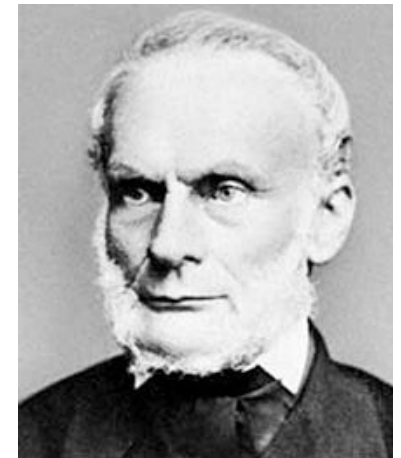
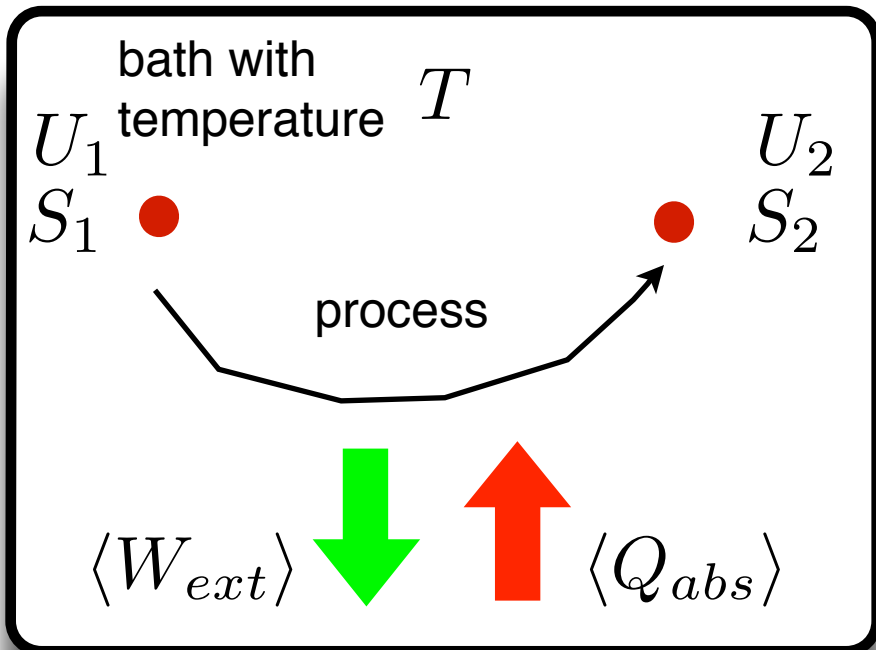
work, W

temperature, T

entropy, S

pressure, p

volume, V



Clausius 1865

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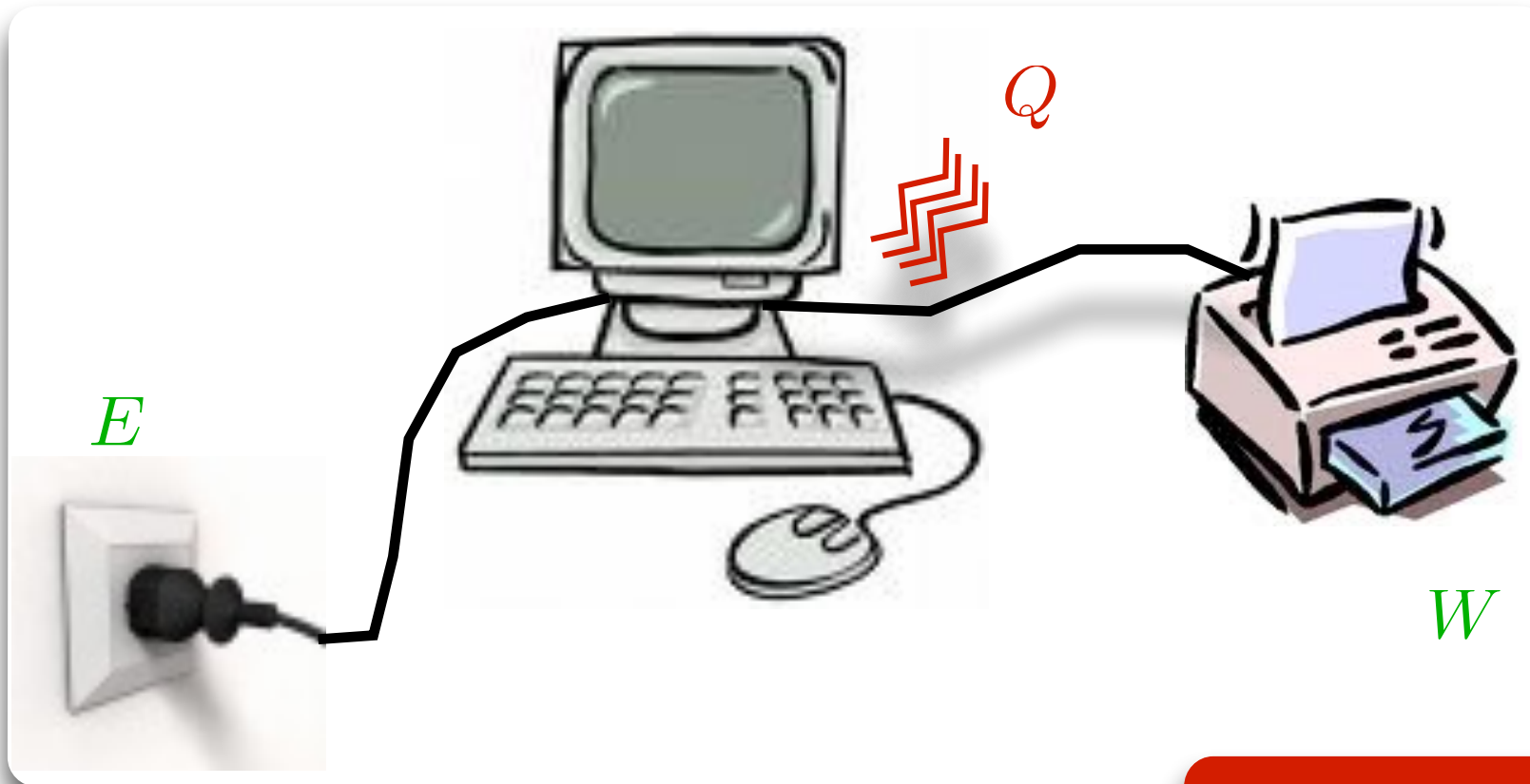


information theory
information: $S_{Sh} > 0$



Shannon 1948

Landauer's erasure principle



energy conservation: $\Delta E = W + Q$

can heat be
reduced to 0?

**erasure of bits (at finite
operating temperature)
dissipates heat**

Landauer 1960ties

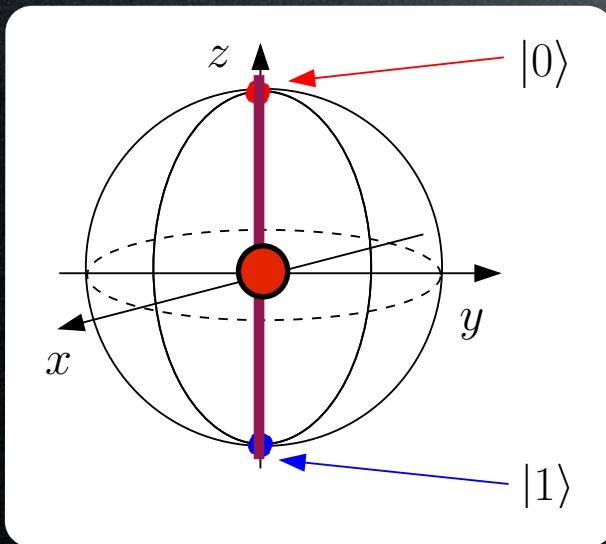
(i.e. resetting bits in your computer to 0)

Landauer's principle

classical or
quantum bit

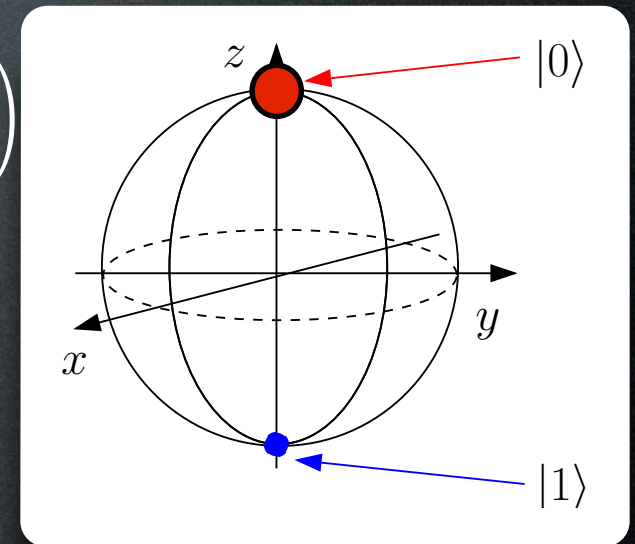
erasure of 1 bit of information = state transfer

$$\rho^{(1)} = \frac{1}{2}|0\rangle\langle 0| + \frac{1}{2}|1\rangle\langle 1| \longrightarrow \rho^{(2)} = |0\rangle\langle 0|$$



$$S(\rho^1) = \ln 2$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1/2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/2 \end{pmatrix} \longrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$



$$S(\rho^2) = 0$$

$$S = -\text{tr}[\rho \ln \rho]$$

2nd law

$$T \Delta S \geq Q_{\text{abs}} \longrightarrow Q_{\text{gen}} \geq k_B T \ln 2$$

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Landauer's erasure principle

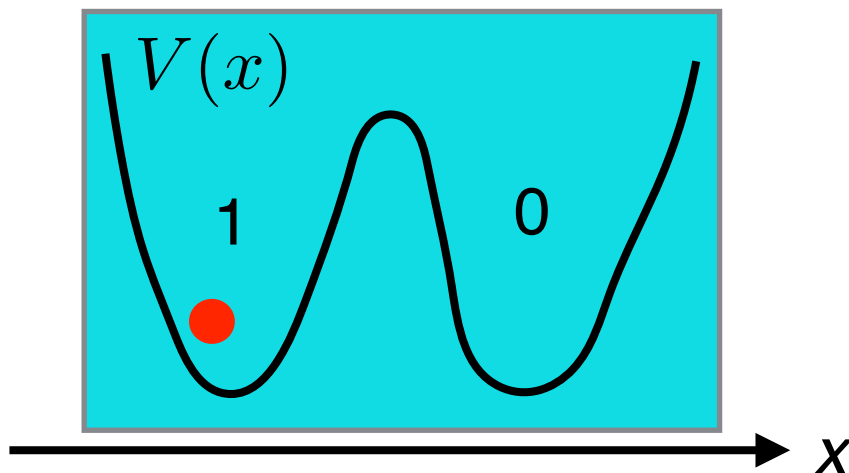
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← minimum dissipated heat

↗ Boltzmann constant ↖ operating temperature in Kelvin

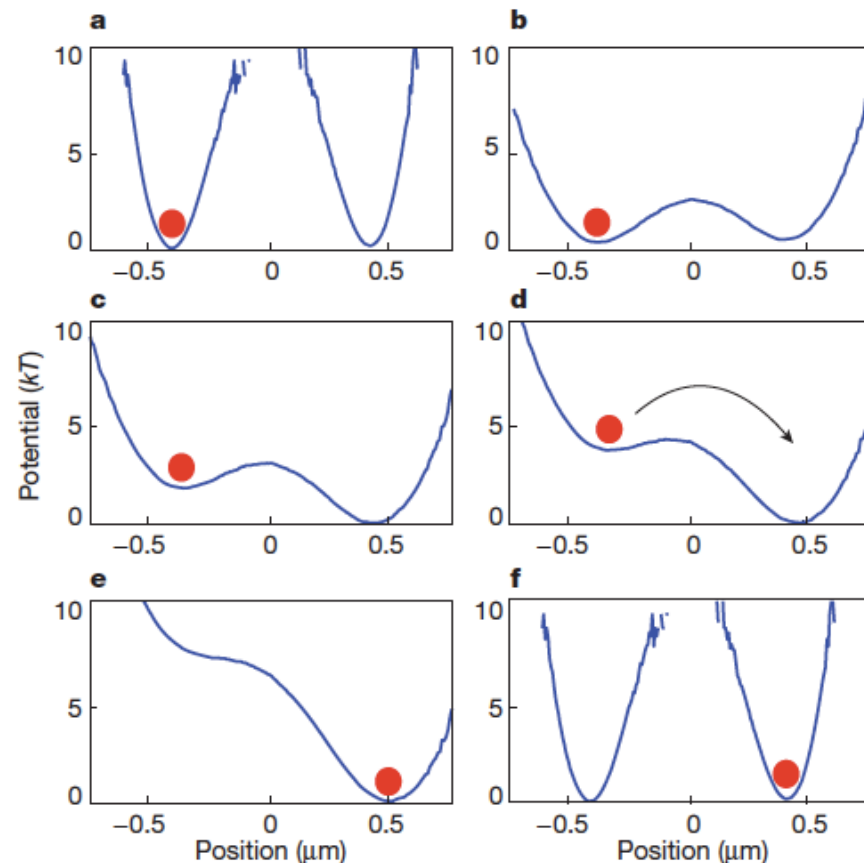
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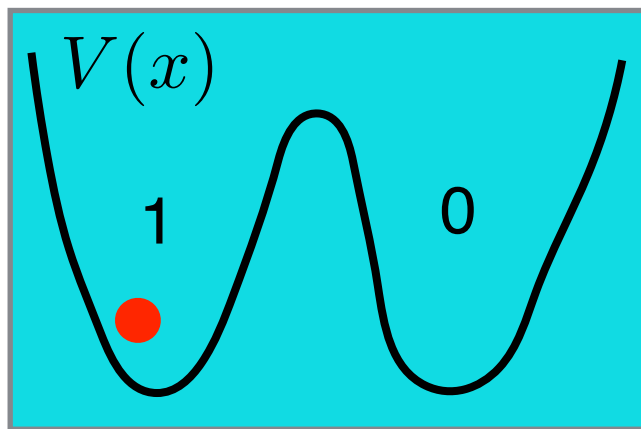
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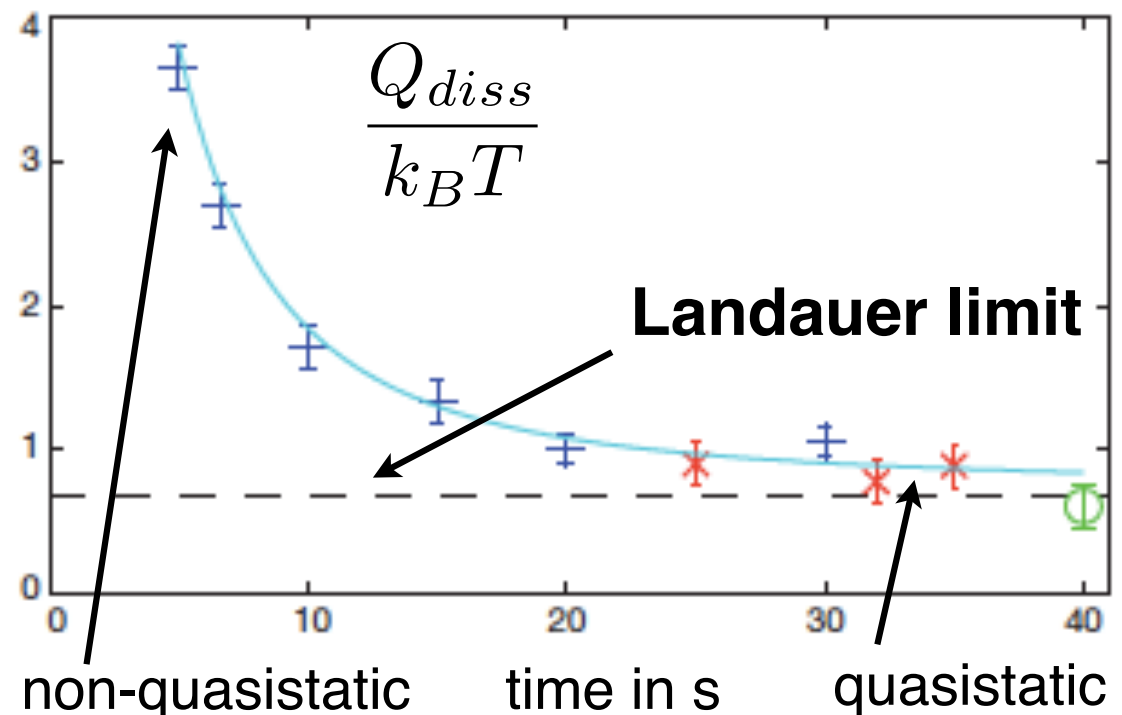


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Dissipated heat in units $k_B T$ plotted
over time taken to implement erasure.



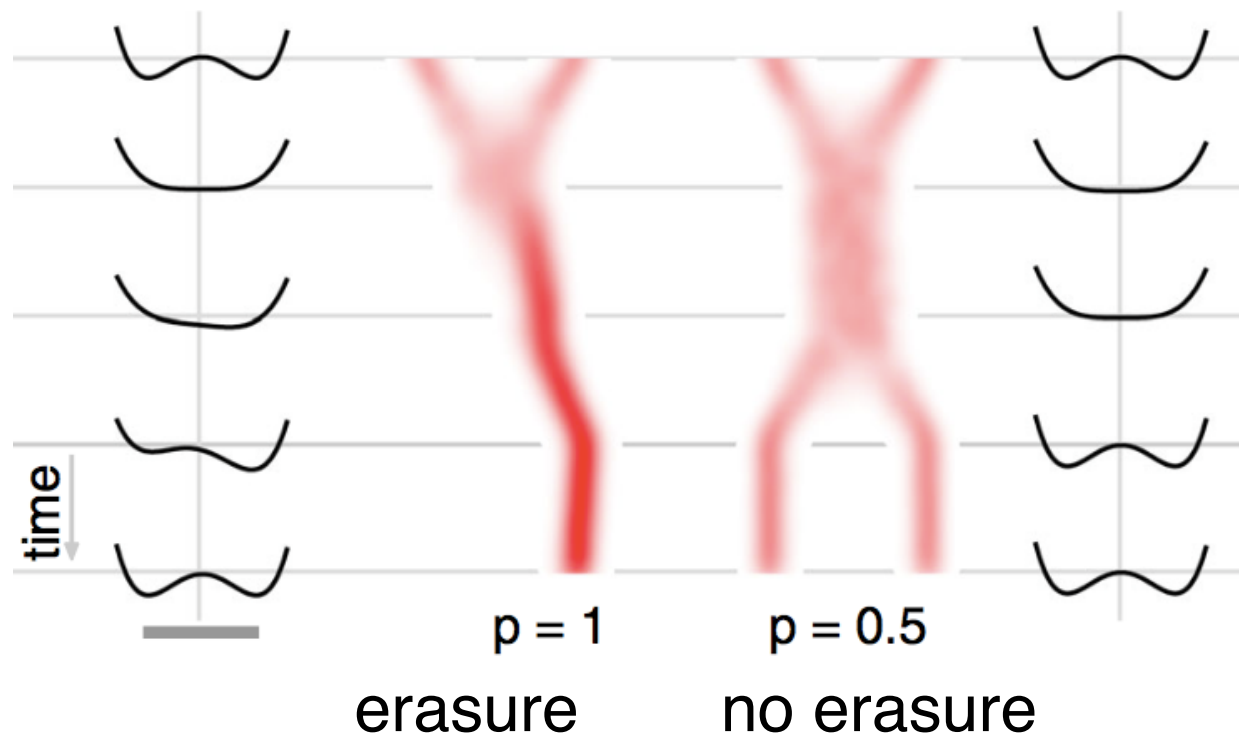
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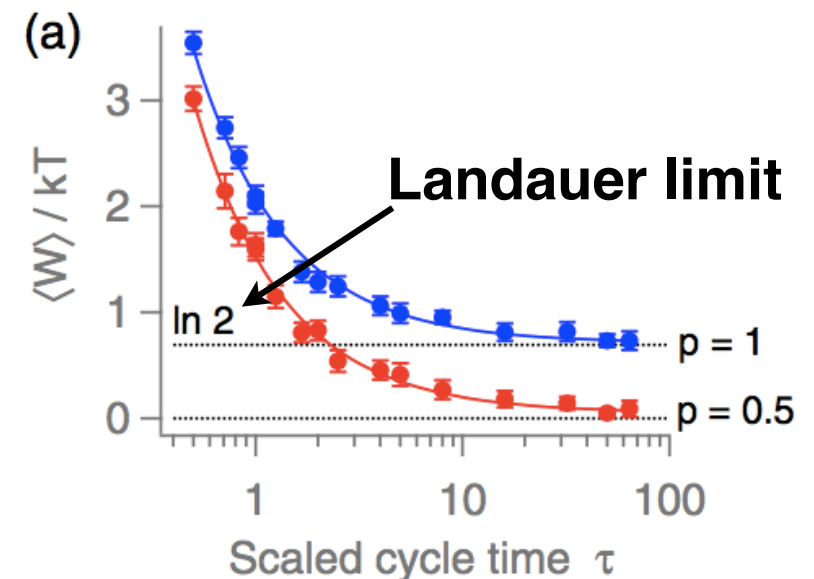
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Boltzmann constant \nearrow k_B T \nwarrow operating temperature in Kelvin \leftarrow minimum dissipated heat

Another **experimental** realisation of Landauer erasure:



work required for erasure:



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Landauer 1961

erasure: state transfer

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generated heat

$$\langle Q_{gen} \rangle \geq k_B T \ln 2$$

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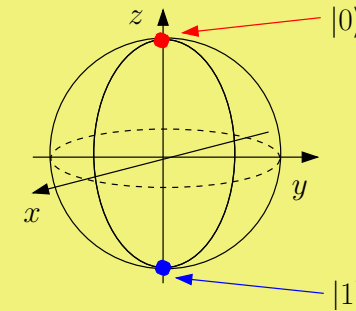
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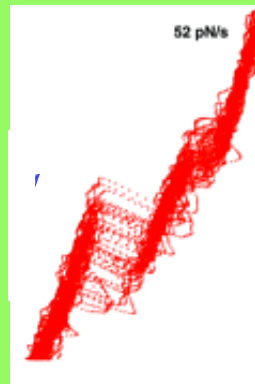


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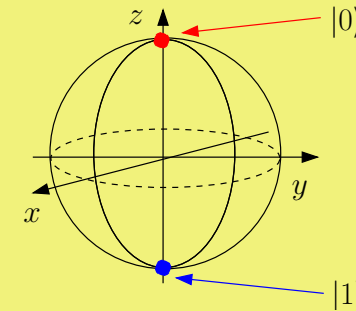


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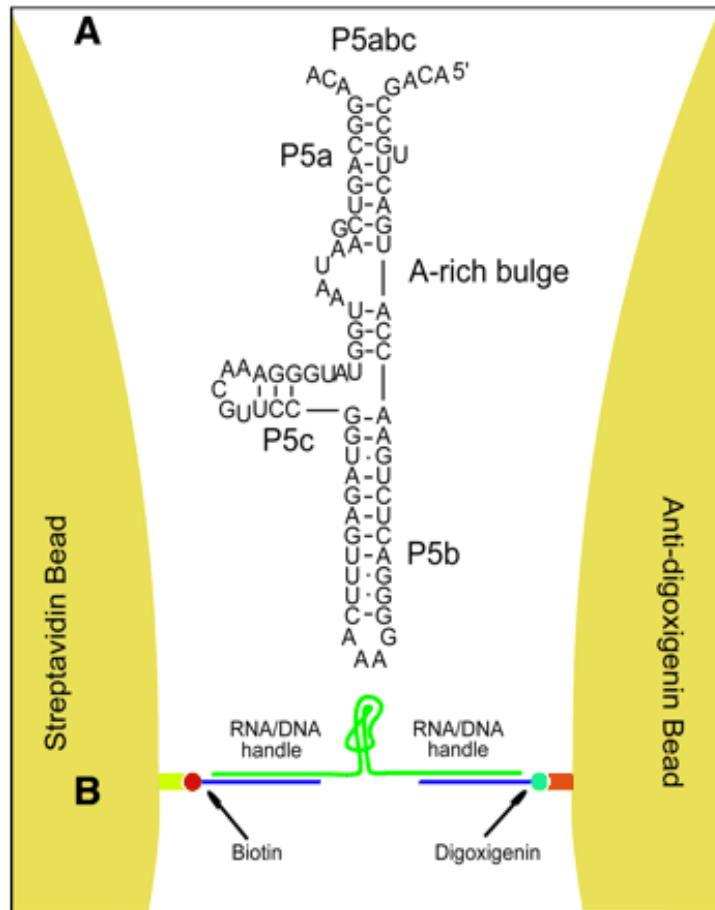


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Stochastic thermodynamics & classical fluctuation relations



Liphardt, *et al.*, *Science* **296**, 1832 (2002)

Jarzynski equality

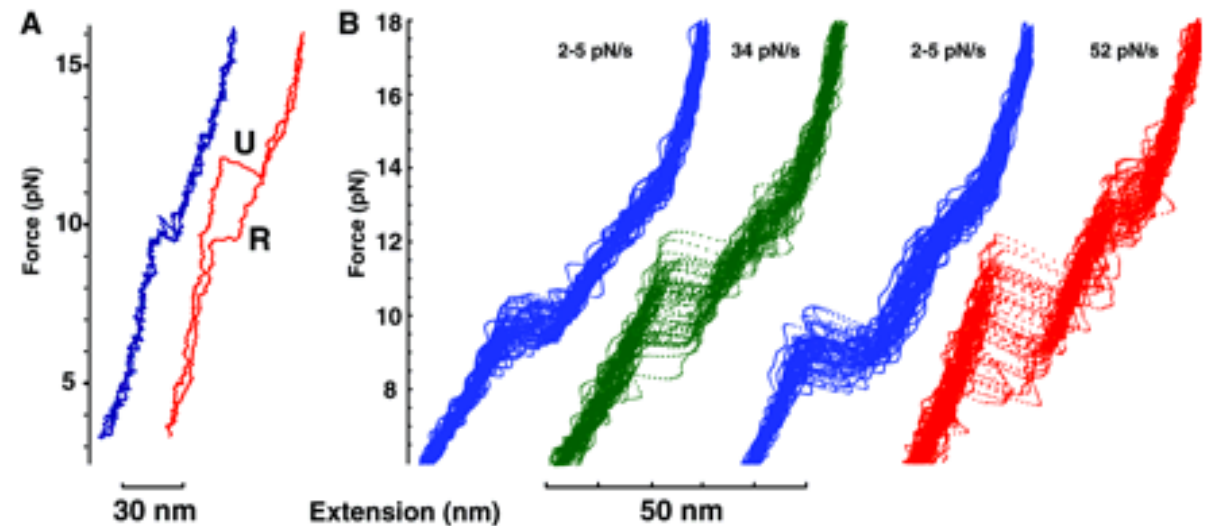
Jarzynski, PRL (1997)

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non-equilibrium
work

inverse
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equilibrium free
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Crooks relation Crooks, PRE (2000)

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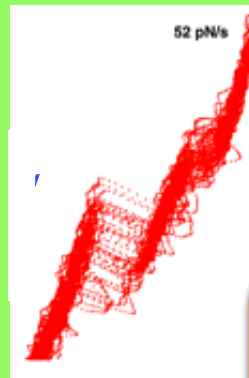


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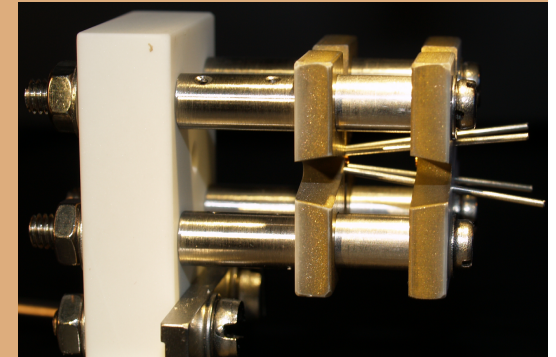
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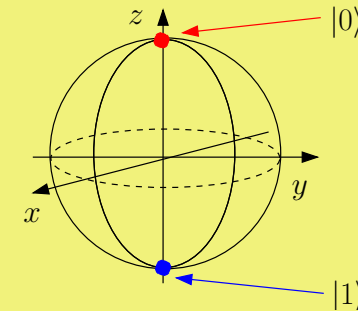
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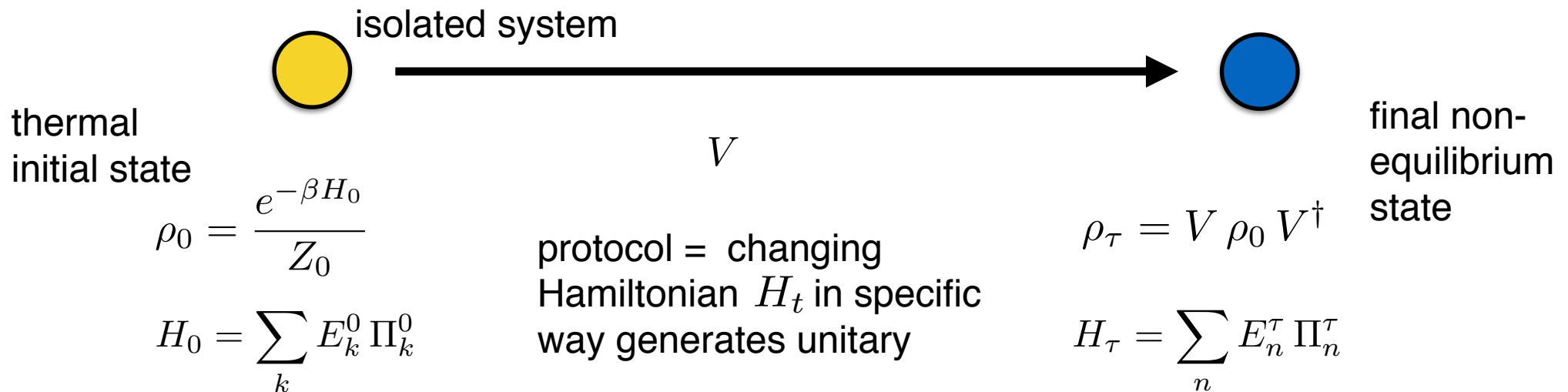


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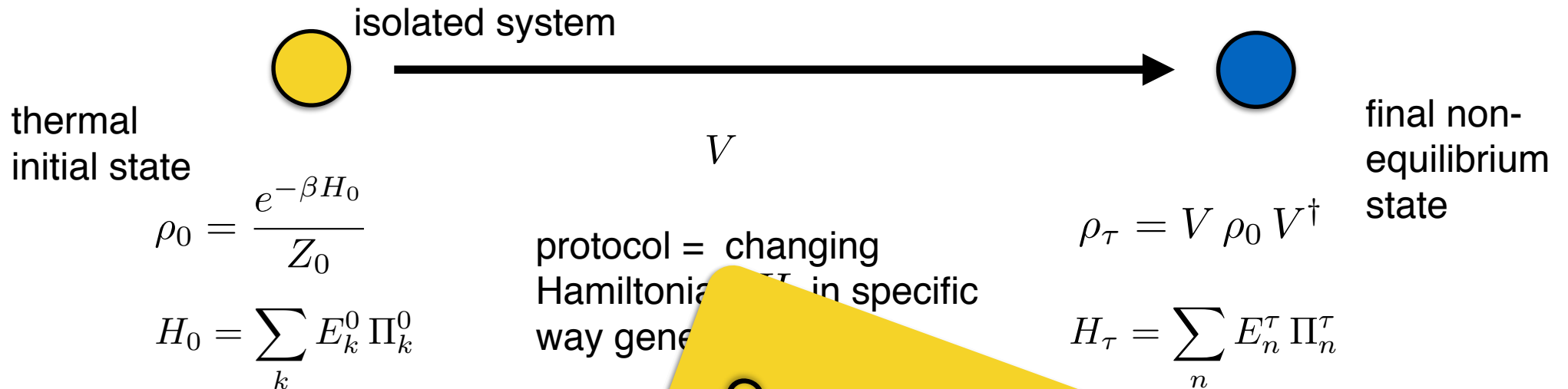
same as classical

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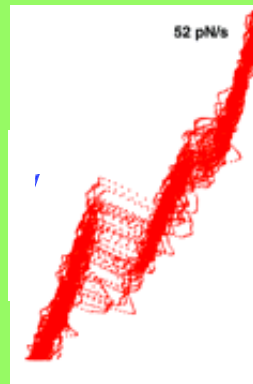


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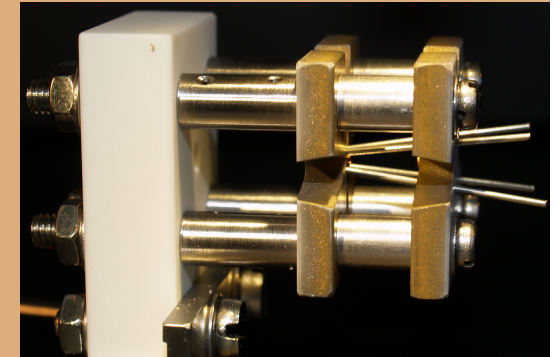
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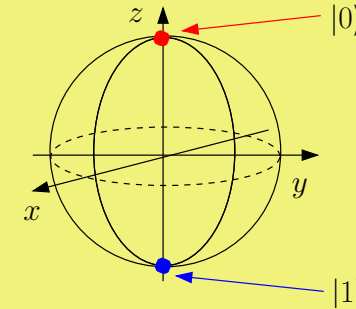
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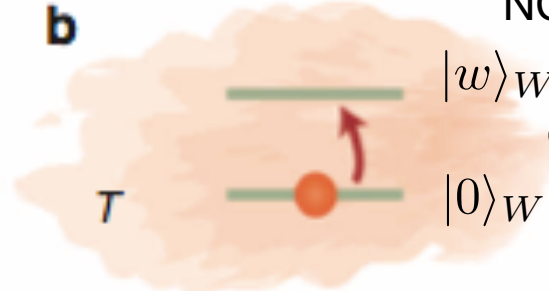
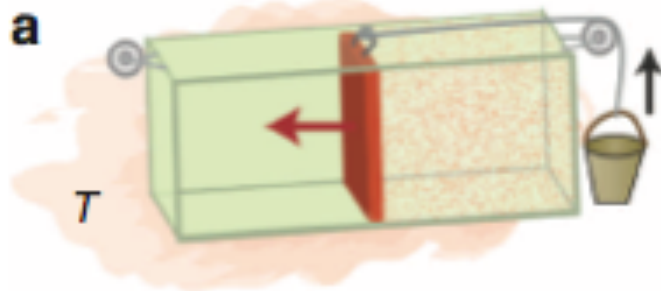


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Resource theory: Single shot extractable work



Horodecki+Oppenheim
NComm (2013)

gap = w

Aberg, Nature Comm.
4 1925 (2013)

Gemmer, Anders,
NJP 17, 085006 (2015)

Global unitary on system, bath and work storage system

$$\text{tr}_{SB}[V(\rho_S \otimes \tau_B \otimes |0\rangle_W \langle 0|) V^\dagger] \approx |w\rangle_W \langle w|$$

ρ_S diagonal in energy

V commutes with global H

What is **maximum** w so that this outcome happens with probability $1 - \epsilon$

single shot work

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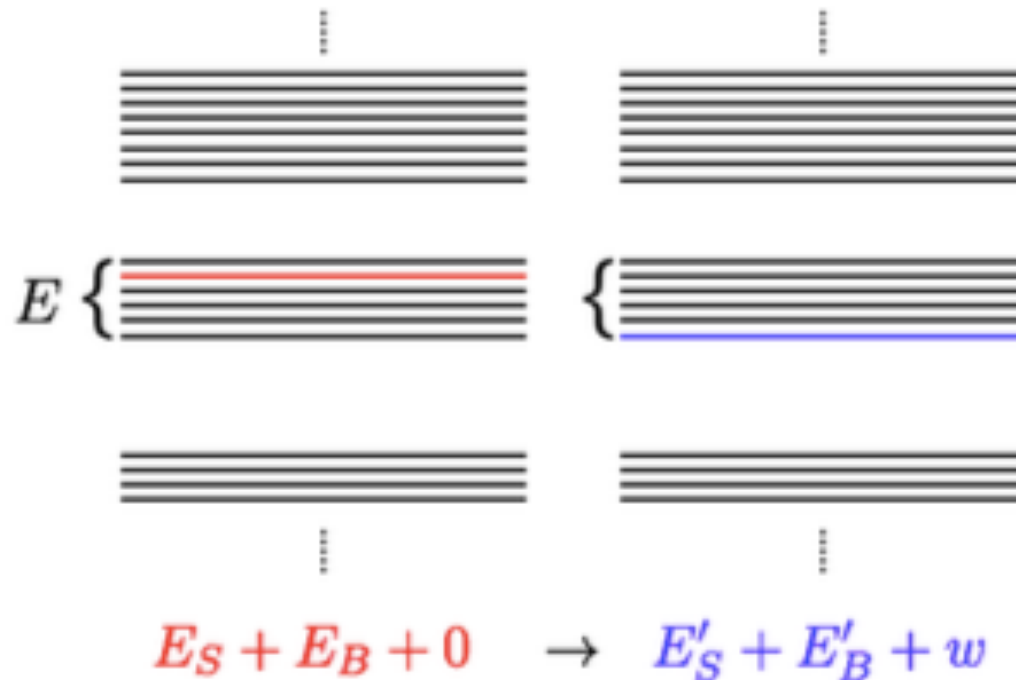
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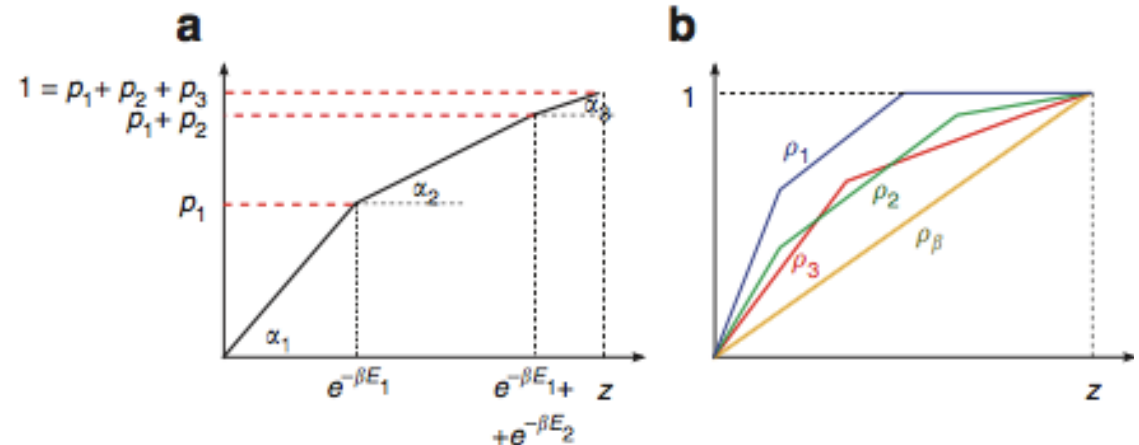
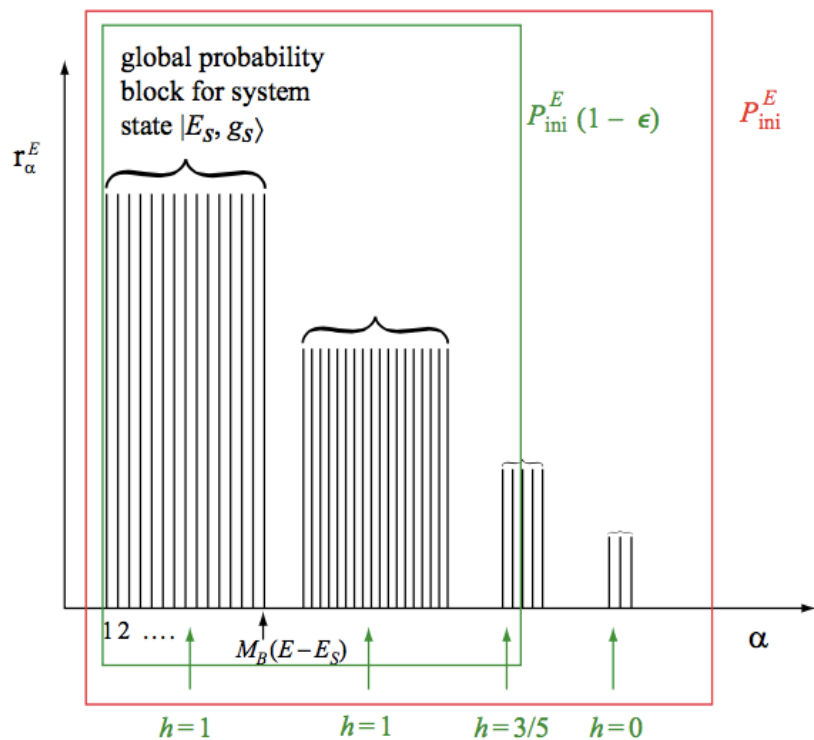
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$$F_\epsilon^{\min}(\rho_S) := -\frac{1}{\beta} \ln \sum_{E_S, g_S} e^{-\beta E_S} h(E_S, g_S, \epsilon).$$

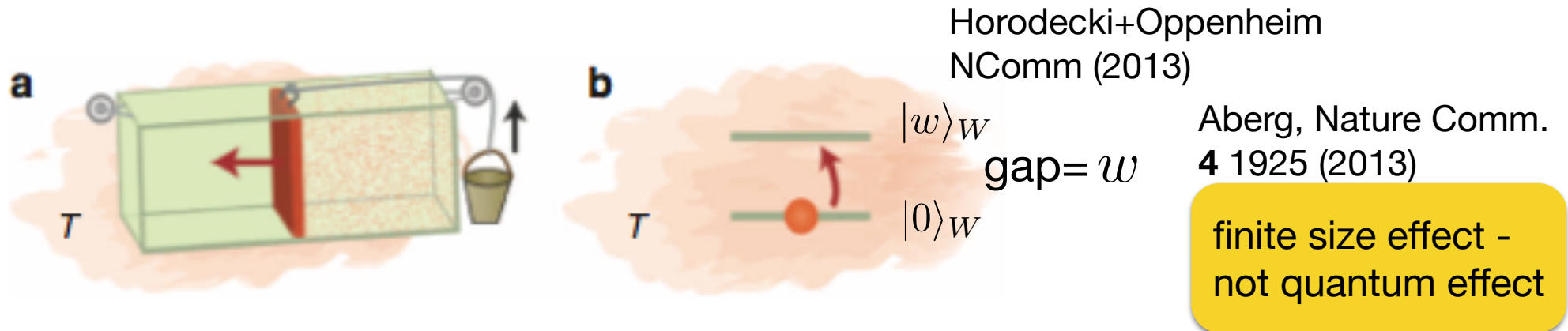
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Classical fluctuation relation

Jarzynski non-equilibrium work equality

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non-equilibrium work inverse temperature equilibrium free energy

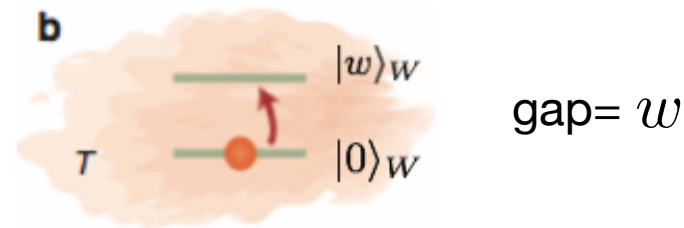
Quantum fluctuation relation:

make energy measurements to obtain energetic fluctuations

Quantum Jarzynski relation:
 same as classical

Because measurements **destroy coherences** between energies.

Quantum resource theory



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Obtain bounds on work w that can be extracted to a qubit in single shot rather than on average.

Finite size effect -
 not a quantum effect

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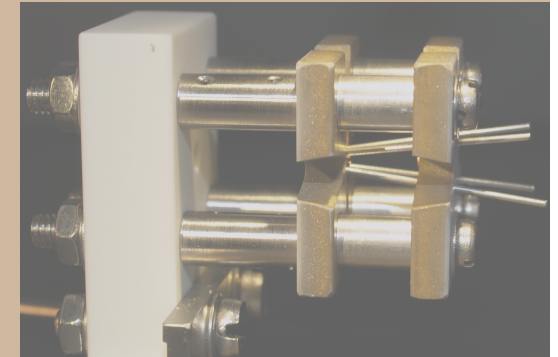


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Neither identifies a
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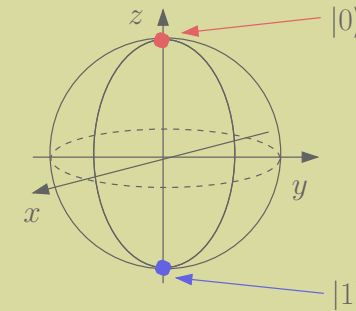
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Landauer 1961

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ρ (initial quantum state) \rightarrow $\sum_k \hat{\Pi}_k \rho \hat{\Pi}_k$ (projectors on energy eigenstates) \rightarrow η_O (quantum state after the process)

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Example: equal superposition of two energy eigenstates

$$|\psi\rangle = \frac{|e_0\rangle + |e_1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \eta = \frac{1}{2}(|e_0\rangle\langle e_0| + |e_1\rangle\langle e_1|)$$

$$\rho = \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 & 1/2 \\ 1/2 & 1/2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \eta = \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/2 \end{pmatrix}$$

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\uparrow initial quantum state \uparrow projectors on energy eigenstates \nwarrow quantum state after the process

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- Optimal implementation can extract maximal work

energy basis
projection
 $\Delta U = 0$

$$\langle W_{ext}^{max} \rangle = k_B T (S(\eta_H) - S(\rho))$$

> 0
for initial states
with coherences

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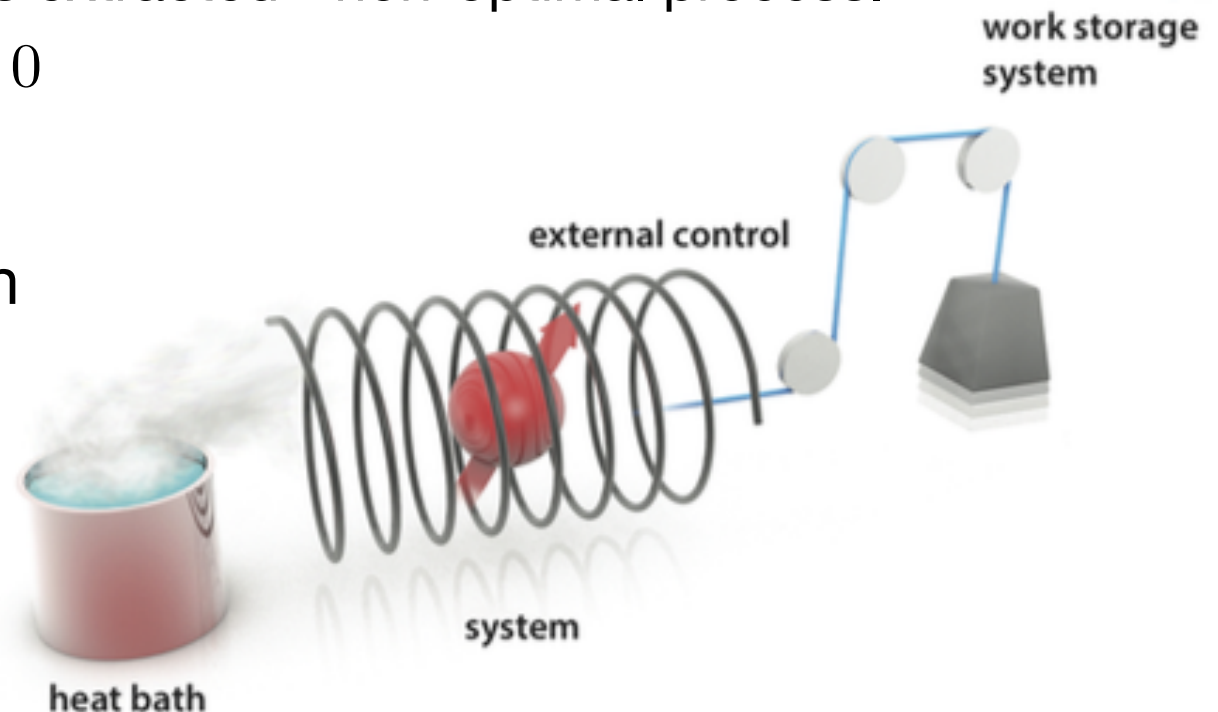
quantum state after the process

How to perform the optimal thermodyn. process?

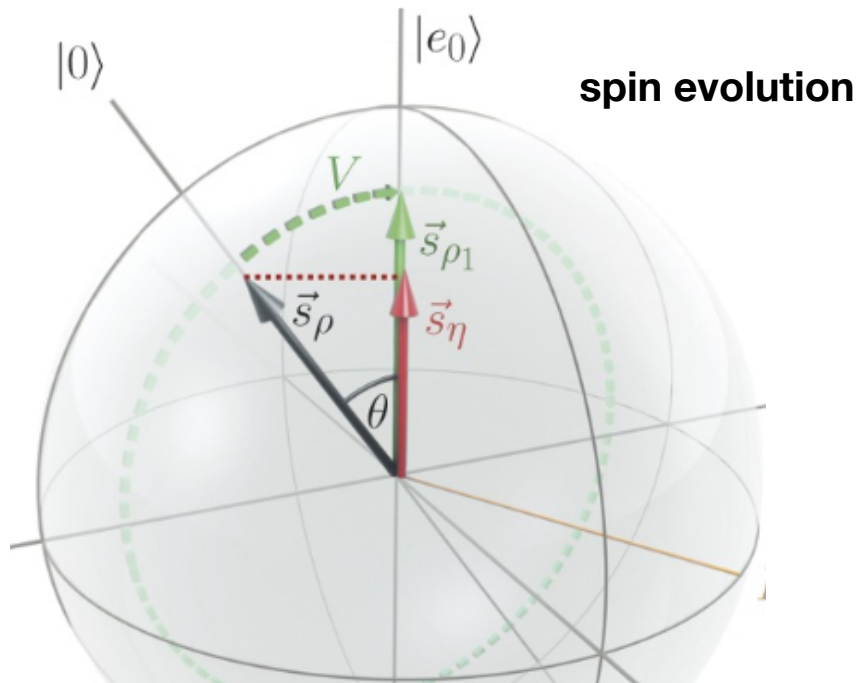
- desired state transfer: $\rho \rightarrow \eta$

- Decoherence:**
- This state transfer is achieved by letting system interact with environment in an uncontrolled fashion for a long enough time.
 - No work is extracted - non-optimal process.
 $\langle W_{\text{ext}} \rangle = 0$

- optimal implementation in thermodynamic setting?



Optimal work extraction from coherences



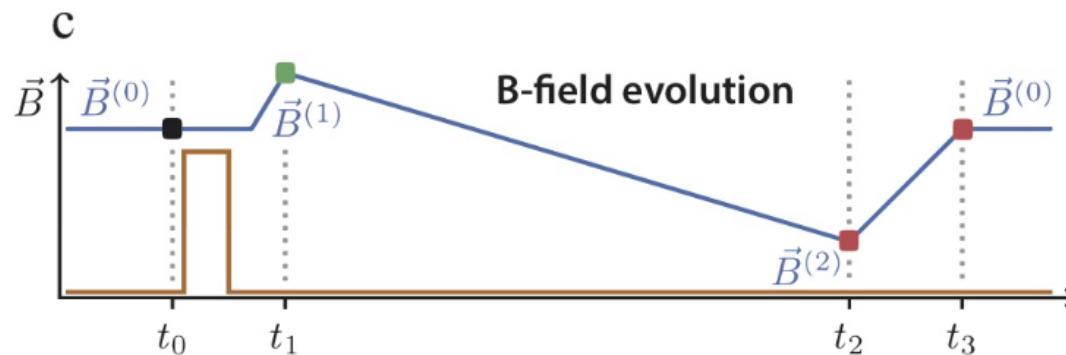
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2) connect system to bath, thermalise and quasi-statically decrease B-field to end in $(\rho_2 = \eta, H_2 = E_2\sigma_z)$ choosing H such that this pair is thermal

3) disconnect system from bath, then quench B-field to initial strength leading to (η, H)



Optimal work extraction from coherences

equilibrium free energy

$$F(\rho) := U(\rho) - T S(\rho)$$

process isolated, energy change = work

$$\langle W_{ext}^1 \rangle = -tr[\rho_1 H_1 - \rho H]$$

isothermal, quasi-static process,

work = free energy change

$$\langle W_{ext}^2 \rangle = -(F(\eta) - F(\rho_1))$$

process isolated, energy change = work

$$\langle W_{ext}^3 \rangle = -tr[\eta H - \eta H_2]$$

sum of work contributions

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Work from coherences

- a **quantum** system that has **coherences** (eg. in energy basis) can be brought into a state where these coherences have been removed - by realisable thermodynamic steps.
- no change of the energy expectation value has occurred $\Delta U = 0$
- but the quantum (vN) **entropy** of the state has been modified

$$S(\eta) \neq S(\rho)$$
- work is extracted from this **entropic** change
- So - work can be extracted from both: energy **populations** that are non-thermal (cl) and also from energetic **superpositions** (qu)
- the extracted work is done on the field and may be **measured**

Classical fluctuation relation

Quantum resource theory

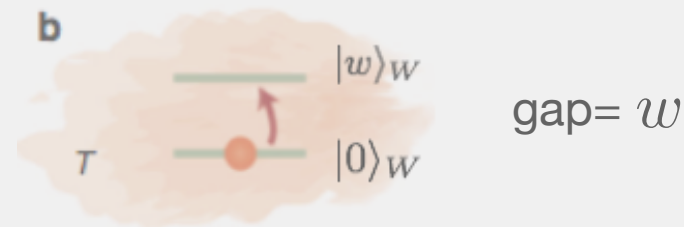
Jarzynski non-equilibrium work equality

$$\langle e^{-\beta W} \rangle = e^{-\beta \Delta F}$$

non-equilibrium
work

inverse
temperature

equilibrium free



implications?

Quantum fluctuation relation
 make energy measurements
 energetic fluctuations

$$e^{-\beta W} \otimes |0\rangle_W \langle 0| V^\dagger] \approx |w\rangle_W \langle w|$$

on work w that can
 to a qubit in single shot
 on average.

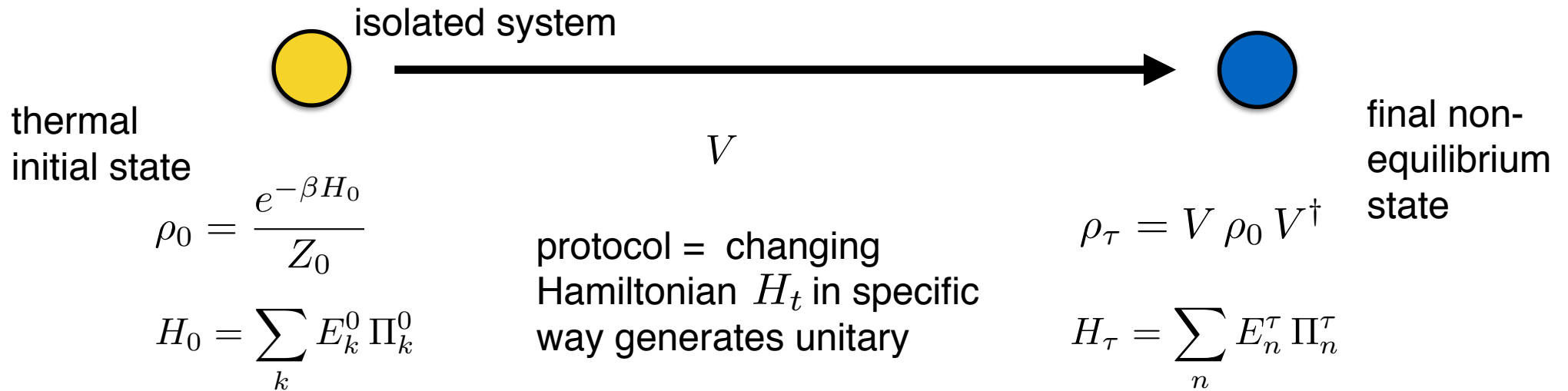
Quantum Jarzynski relation:
 same as classical

Finite size effect -
 not a quantum effect

Because measurements **destroy**
coherences between energies.

ρ_S **diagonal** in energy
 V **commutes** with global H

Quantum Jarzynski equality



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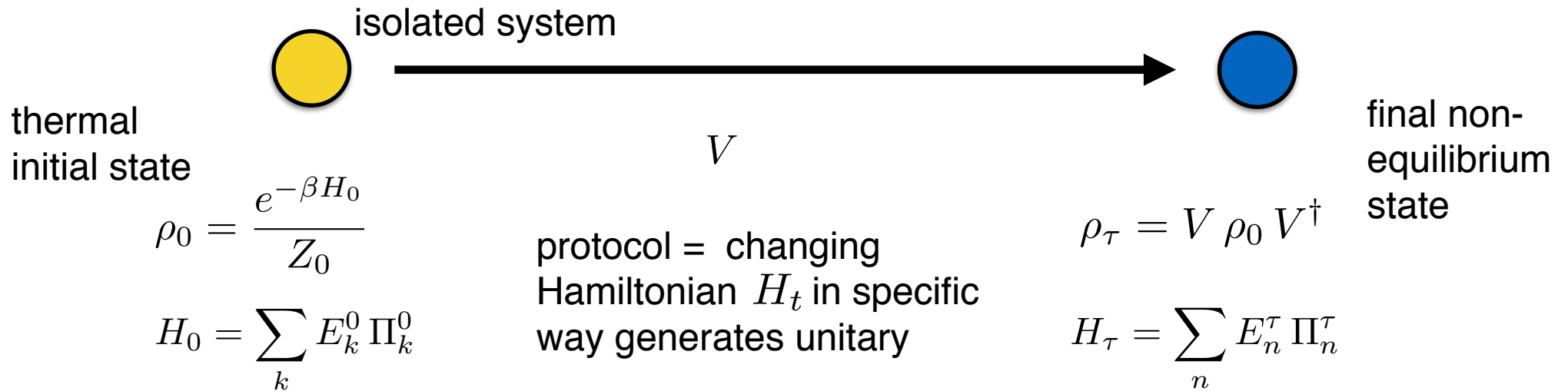
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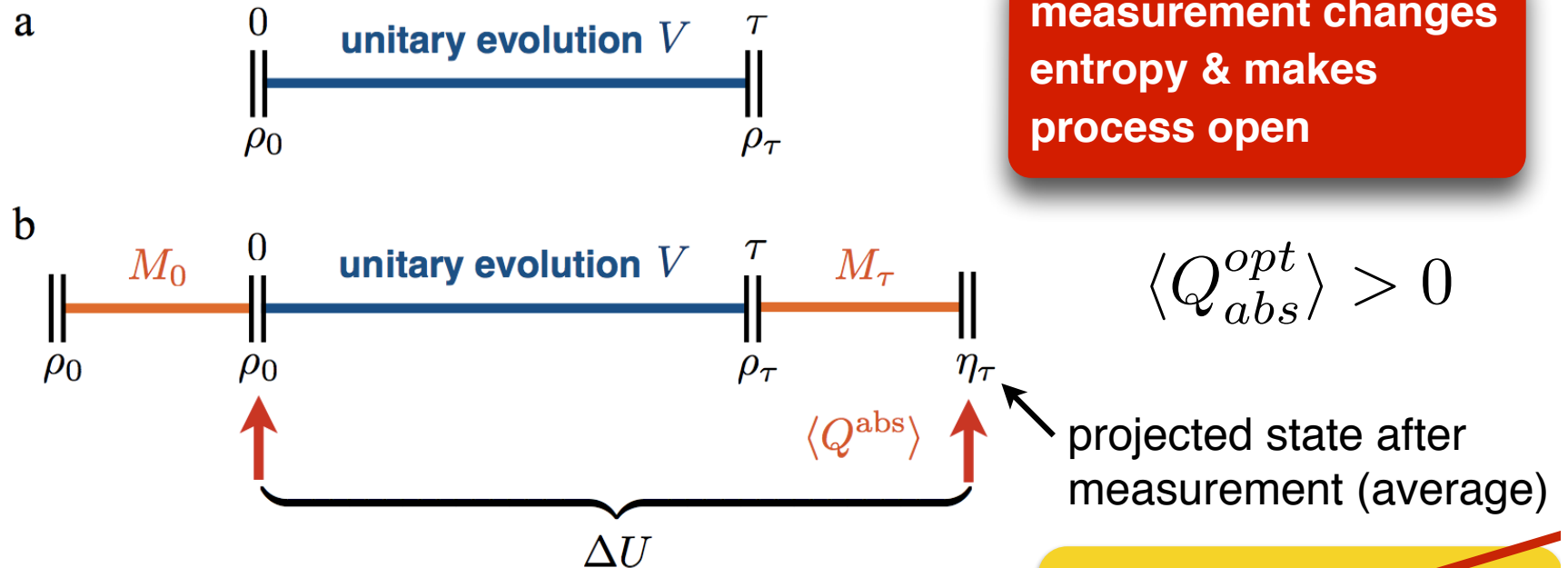
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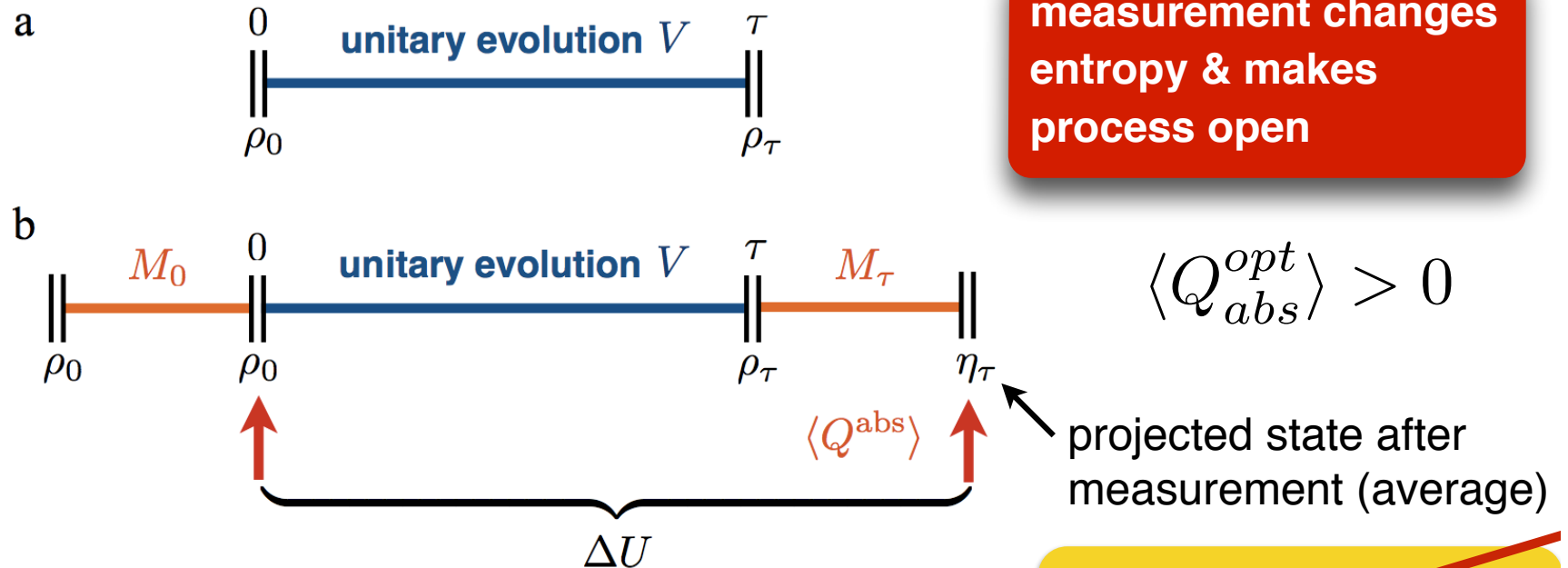


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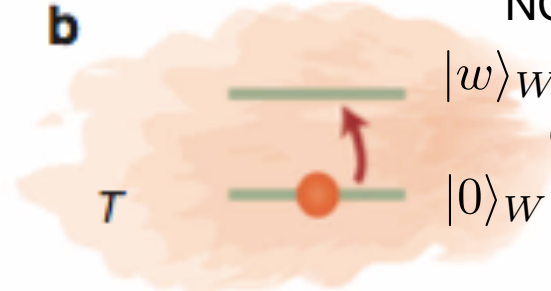
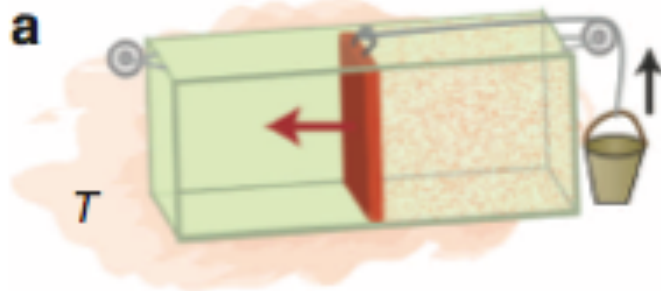


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Resource theory: Single shot extractable work



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Global unitary on system, bath and work storage system

$$\text{tr}_{SB}[V(\rho_S \otimes \tau_B \otimes |0\rangle_W \langle 0|) V^\dagger] \approx |w\rangle_W \langle w|$$

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What is **maximum** w so that this outcome happens with probability $1 - \epsilon$

single shot work

$$w_\epsilon^{\max} \leq F_\epsilon^{\min}(\rho_S) - F(\tau_S)$$

instead of **average work**

$$\langle W \rangle \leq F(\rho_S) - F(\tau_S)$$

Valid for running experiment on one system, but it is *not* the fluctuating work.

For many copies, $\rho_S \rightarrow \rho_S \otimes \rho_S \otimes \rho_S \dots$ this converges $w_\epsilon^{\max} \rightarrow \langle W \rangle$
for $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$

Quantum Thermo: Single shot extractable work

ρ_S diagonal in energy

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not the maximum?

ρ_S not diagonal in energy

Decohere first then extract work

in general $\langle W_{ext}^{opt} \rangle = k_B T (S(\eta) - S(\rho))$

Implications

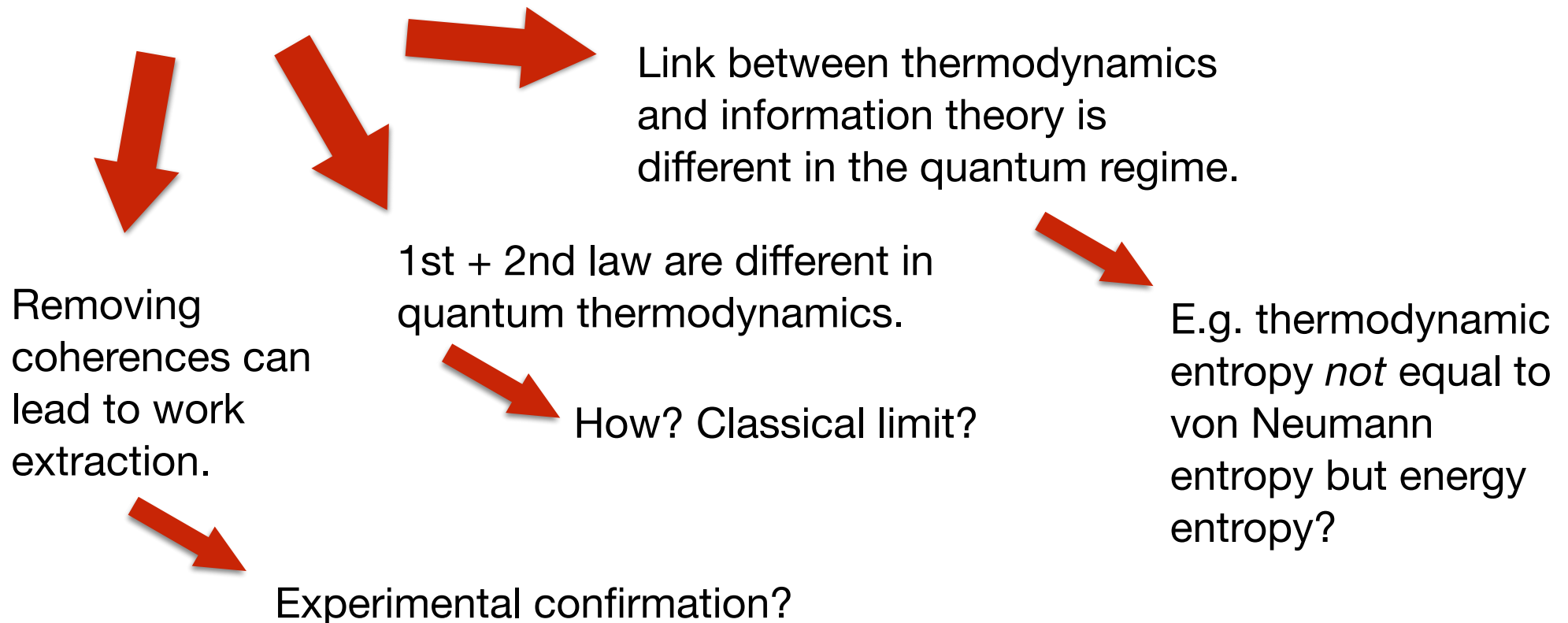
$$\Delta U = \langle Q_{abs} \rangle - \langle W_{ext} \rangle$$

thermodynamics

$$T\Delta S_{th} \geq \langle Q_{abs} \rangle$$

$$S_{th} = S_{vN}$$

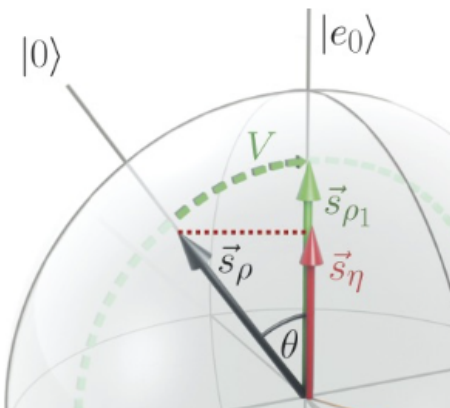
link between thermodynamics and information theory



Summary: Work from coherences

Landauer found that the only information processing task that has an optimal non-trivial thermodynamic aspect is **erasure**.

Same result for classical and quantum information.

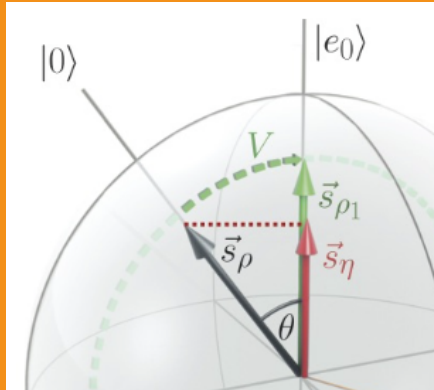


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Projections are a second kind of information processing task with an associated work.

Work only from quantum states with **coherences**.

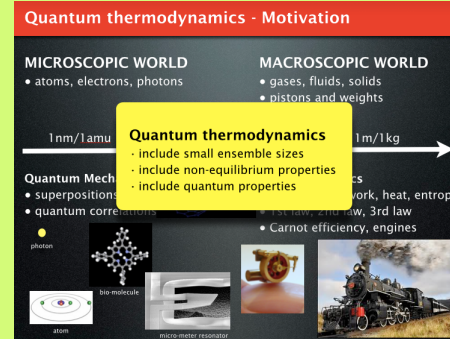
Coherence work can be important for analysis of thermodynamic **experiments** that involve measurement.



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