

Memory Formation in Driven Disordered Systems – Dead or Alive

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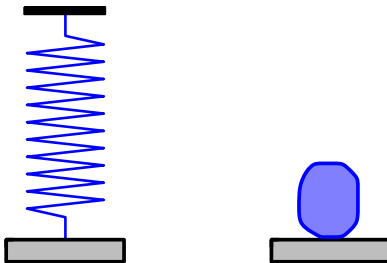
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- Cross-fertilization between **statistical mechanics of disordered systems** and **adaptive evolution in biology**.
- Key concept: **fitness landscape** of a biological population.
- **Fitness landscape** describes growth rates of different genotypes in a **fixed environment**.
- **fitness landscape** \leftrightarrow **energy landscape** of disordered systems.
- **BUT: environments change!**
- Adaptive evolution in **changing fitness landscapes** as **driven disordered systems**.

THEME: Can adaptive evolution of a bacterial population retain a memory of its past environments?

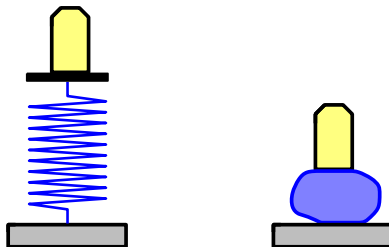
Reversible vs. irreversible deformations and memory

- Suppose we load a spring and a sand bag with varying loads ...



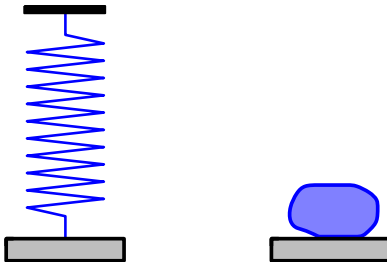
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- Place two identical **medium** loads on each ...



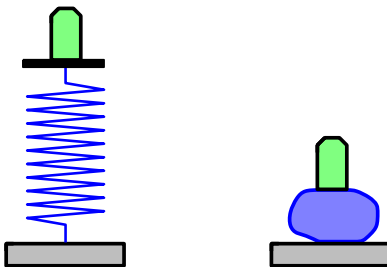
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- Remove loads.
- Spring **restores** initial position, sand bag **remains** deformed.



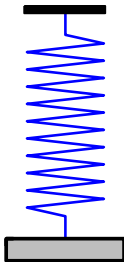
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- Next place identical **lighter** loads on spring and bag.
- Spring compresses less, while sand bag **retains** deformed state.



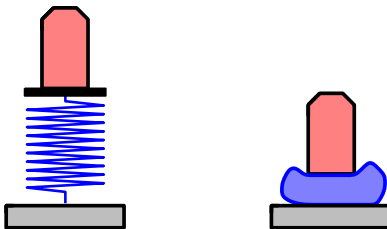
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- Removing the lighter load, spring returns to initial position.
- Sand bag **retains** initial deformation:
- Sand bag keeps a **memory** of initial loading.



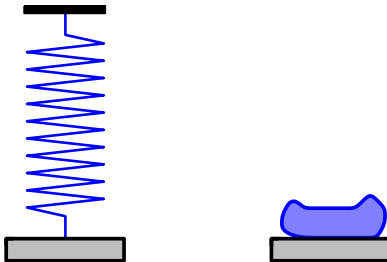
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- Place next identical **heavier** loads.
- Spring compresses more than before.
- Sand bag also **deforms** further.



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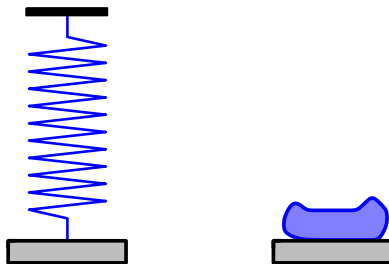
- Remove heavy loads.
- Spring **restores** its uncompressed state.
- Sand bag remains in **further deformed** state.



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Sand bag:

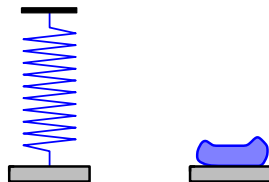
- Retains **memory** of past deformations.
- Placing **heavier** load on sand bag, \Rightarrow **memory** of previous load is **lost**.
- Memory is **overwritten** by **heavier** load.



Reversible vs. irreversible deformations and memory

Two “devices”, two different responses:

- Spring: **perfectly elastic**: returns to **same** position when unloaded. **No memory of its loading history**.
- Sand bag: **plastic**: **retains memory of loading history**: memory of **largest load**.
- **Spring**: “records” instantaneous state of loading, e.g. like a kitchen scale.
- **Sand bag**: “records” extreme loading event in its history \Rightarrow future response is **history-dependent**.



Recap – Memory Formation

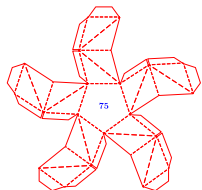
- Example of system that can record the largest applied load.
- Simple prototype of a system interacting with a changing environment:
 - **System:** sand bag,
 - **Changing Environment:** various loads placed on sand bag,
 - **Effect on system:** altering shape of sand bag.
- Main ingredients:
 - **Disorder**
 - **Large number of degrees of freedom**

Q: How do we characterize systems that retain a memory of their past environments?

Outline of this talk

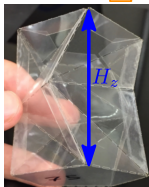
- **Memory formation** in **driven soft-matter systems**.
- Focus on **athermal, quasi-static (AQS)** response to driving.
- Response to AQS driving can be captured via **state transition graphs**: \Rightarrow **Dynamical features are encoded in graph topology**
- Demonstrate how these ideas can be used to **understand and utilize** memory formation.
- Show that these ideas can be used to analyze a model for **adaptive evolution in changing environments**.

Origami-bellows as mechanical memory device

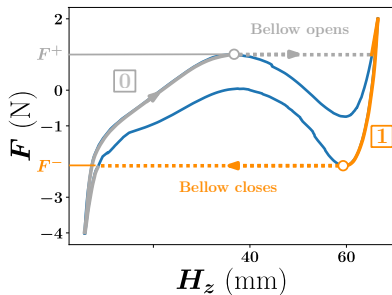


Folding

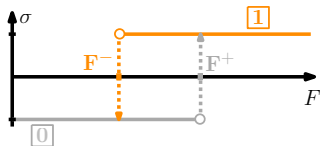
Bellow open **1**



Bellow closed **0**



Preisach Element (Hysteron)



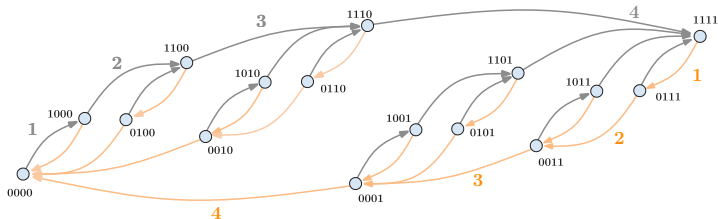
Graph representation



Hysteresis:
 $F^- < F^+$

(Jules, Reed, Daniels, **MM**, & Lechenault Phys. Rev. Res. (2022))

A stack of four bellows – The Preisach Model



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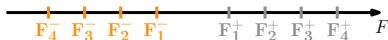
Each hysteron changes state:

- based on F ,
- its current state (history)

INDEPENDENTLY

Switching Sequence:

Down: $1 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 4$ Up: $1 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 4$



By INDEPENDENCE label hysterons s.t.

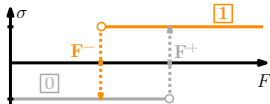
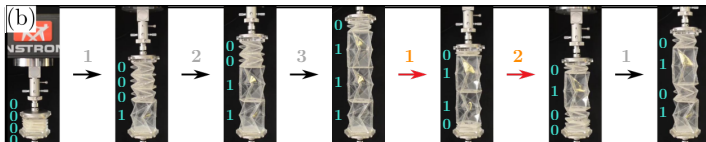
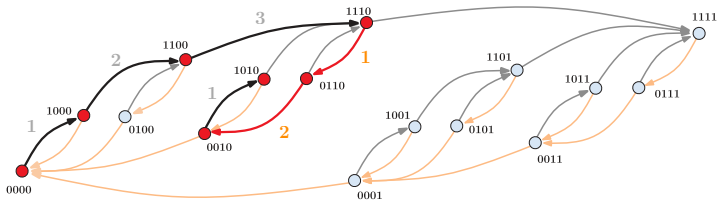
Up: $1 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 4$

Using different bellows we can alter
down sequence (call it ρ)

$$\rho = 1234$$

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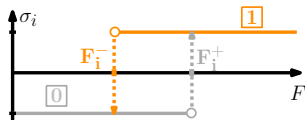
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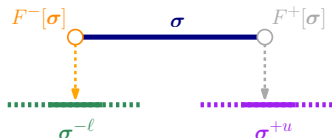
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(Stability condition, determines the set of states)

Let ℓ and u be the sites where the max and min are attained



\Rightarrow Single site flips suffice
to regain stability
NO AVALANCHES!

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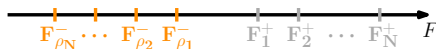
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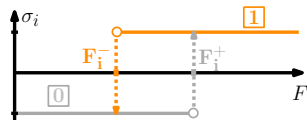
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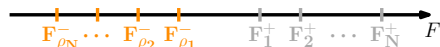
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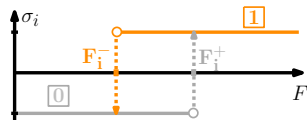
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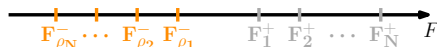
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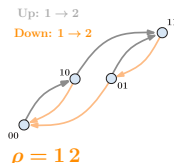
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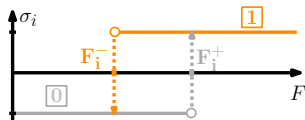
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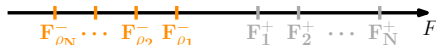
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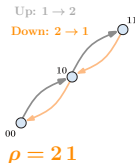
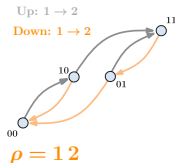
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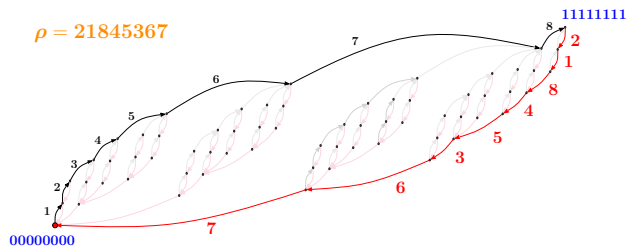
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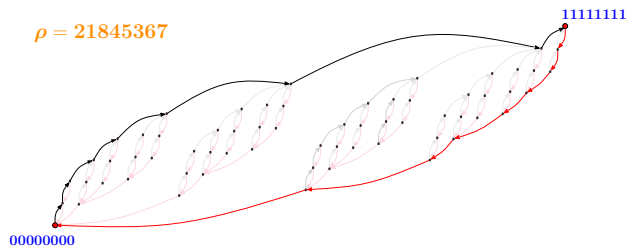
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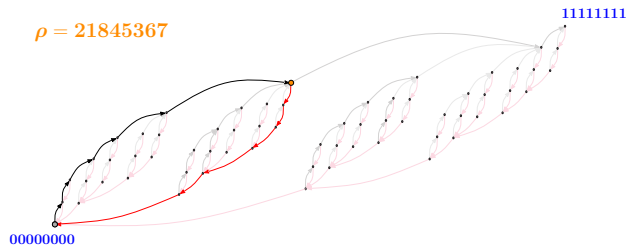
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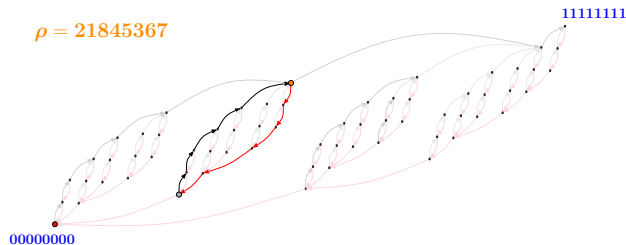
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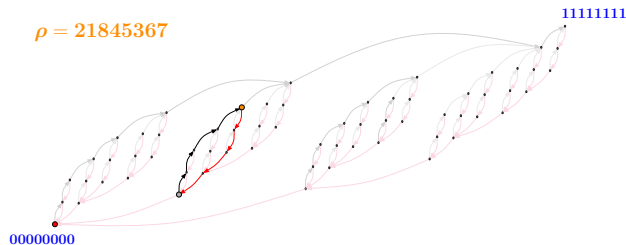
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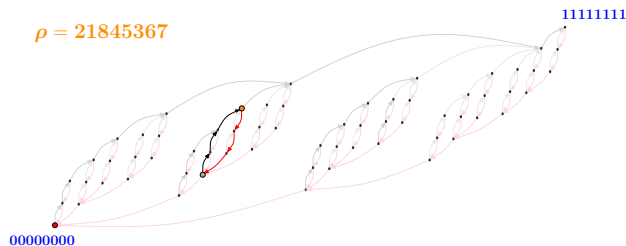
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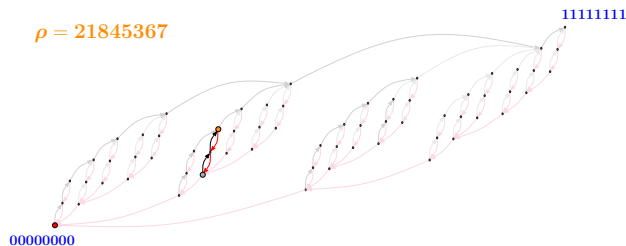
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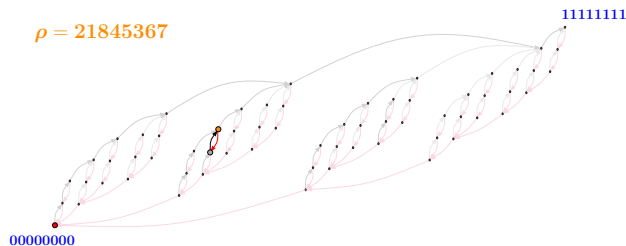
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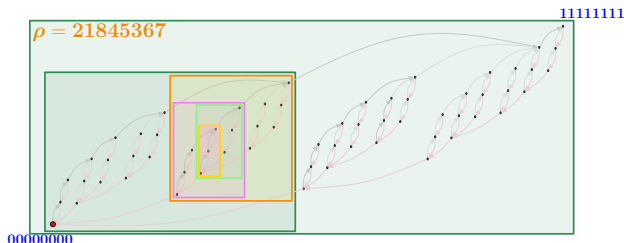
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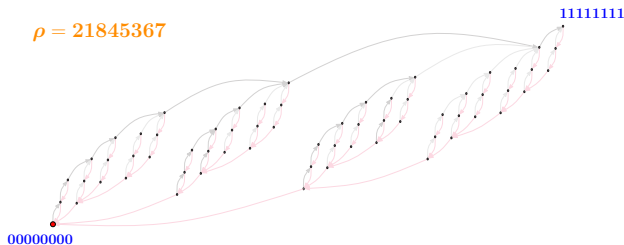
loop Return Point Memory (ℓ RPM) as topological feature of transition graph

⇒ Hierarchical Structure of loops **nested** within loops

”Every loop is existed from its end points!”

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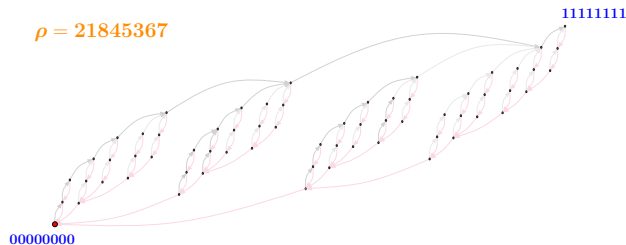
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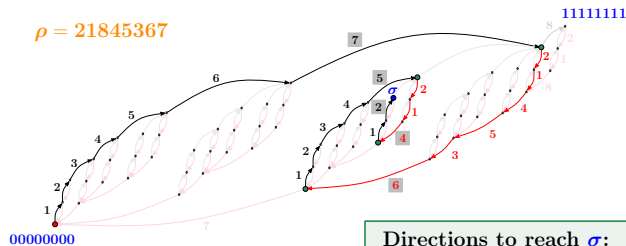
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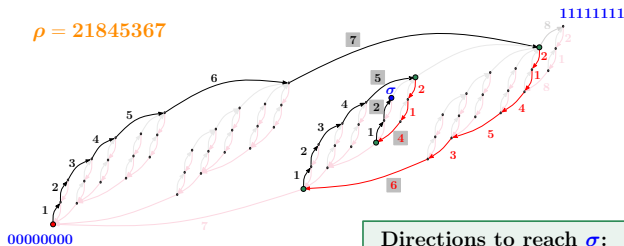
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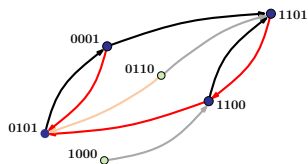
- **Return point memory (RPM)** is one way of **encoding memory of deformation history**.
- **Memory and history-dependence** become **topological features** of transition graph (**t -graph**) \Rightarrow **loop return point memory (ℓ RPM)**, **MM** & Terzi, AHP (2019).
- Preisach model: **simplest model with ℓ RPM**.
- More **complicated ℓ RPM systems**: Random field Ising model with ferromagnetic interactions, models of depinning, i.e. elastic manifolds in random media.
- Systems that exhibit **ℓ RPM approximately**: the sheared amorphous solids (**MM**, S. Sastry, K. Dahmen & I. Regev, PRL (2019)).

A fitness landscape model describing the evolution of antibiotic drug resistance

- The **trade-off induced fitness landscape model (TIL)** (S.G. Das, S.O.L. Direito, B. Waclaw, R. Allen & J. Krug, eLife **9** (2020) e55155):
 - Bacteria in environment of **varying antibiotic drug concentration** x .
 - L possible loci where mutations can occur.
 - Binary vector $\sigma = (\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_L)$ encodes whether mutation at i is present ($\sigma_i = 1$) or absent ($\sigma_i = 0$).
- Environment characterized by **single parameter**: antibiotic concentration x .
- For each x : a mapping that assigns to each genotype σ a fitness f_σ .

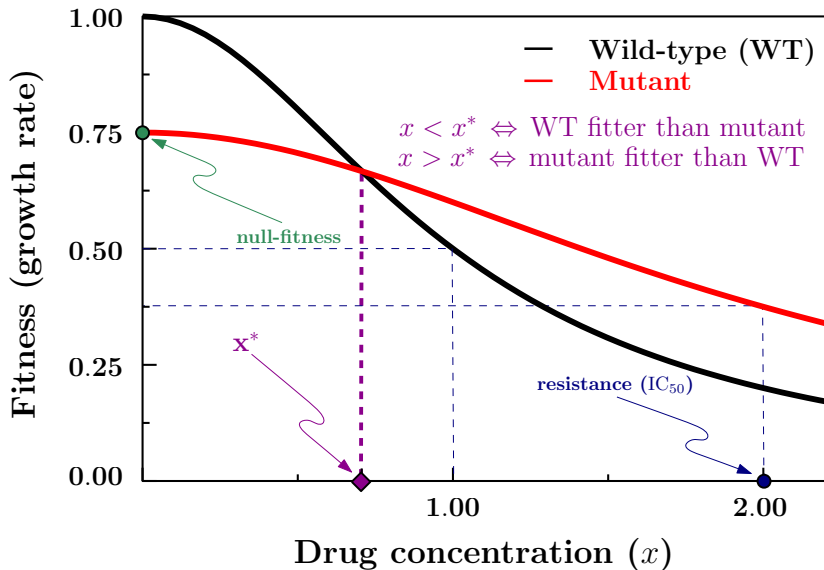
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- Das *et al.* focus on **topography of fitness landscape**: local fitness maxima, adaptive paths leading to them.
- **Goal**: Characterize the transition between genotypes as x is changed and fitness maxima change.
- **Motivation**:



- $L = 4$ mutation sites in antibiotic resistance enzyme TEM-50 β -lactamase for antibiotic piperacilin at three concentrations.
- Black/Gray and Red/Orange arrows indicate transitions to new fitness peaks under increase and decrease of concentration.
- Data compiled from M. Mira *et al.* Mol. Bio. Evol. **32** (2015) 2707.

Dose response (DR) curves, phenotypes & trade-off



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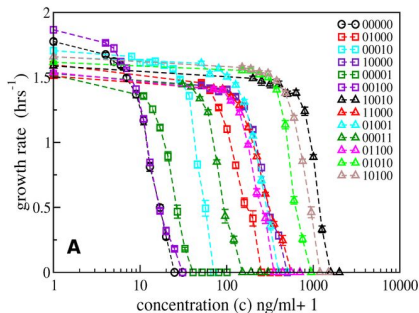
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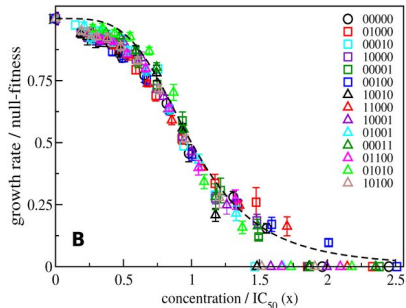
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Plotting $\frac{f_{\sigma}(x)}{r_{\sigma}}$ vs. $\frac{x}{m_{\sigma}}$ falls onto a **single curve** $w(x)$ (almost)!

$$\frac{f_{\sigma}(x)}{r_{\sigma}} = w\left(\frac{x}{m_{\sigma}}\right) \quad \text{fit: } w(x) = \frac{1}{1+x^4}$$

(S.G. Das, S.O.L Direito, B. Waclaw, R.J Allen & J. Krug, eLife 9 (2020) e55155)

TIL adaptive trade-off: Empirical Evidence II

E-coli in the presence of ciprofloxacin (data by Marcusson *et al.* 2009)

Given σ ,

$$I^+[\sigma] = \{i : \sigma_i = 1\}$$

$$I^-[\sigma] = \{i : \sigma_i = 0\}$$

r_i null-fitness of
single mutation
at locus i

m_i IC₅₀ of
single mutation
at locus i

Strain	String	log null-fitness	Non-epistatic	log MIC	Non-epistatic
MG1655	00000	0.00 ($\pm .004$)	NA	0.00 ($\pm .35$)	NA
LM378	10000	0.01 ($\pm .016$)	NA	3.17 ($\pm .70$)	NA
LM534	01000	-0.01 ($\pm .018$)	NA	2.75 ($\pm .70$)	NA
LM202	00010	-0.19 ($\pm .020$)	NA	0.69 ($\pm .70$)	NA
LM351	00001	-0.094 ($\pm .014$)	NA	1.08 ($\pm .70$)	NA
LM625	11000	-0.030 ($\pm .011$)	0.0 ($\pm .038$)	3.17 ($\pm .70$)	5.92 (± 1.1)
LM421	10010	-0.15 ($\pm .019$)	-0.18 ($\pm .040$)	4.13 ($\pm .70$)	3.56 (± 1.1)
LM647	10001	-0.051 ($\pm .013$)	-0.084 ($\pm .034$)	3.44 ($\pm .70$)	4.65 (± 1.1)
LM538	01010	-0.19 ($\pm .020$)	-0.20 ($\pm .042$)	4.13 ($\pm .70$)	3.46 (± 1.1)
LM592	01001	-0.083 ($\pm .015$)	-0.10 ($\pm .036$)	3.16 ($\pm .70$)	3.83 (± 1.1)
LM367	00011	-0.20 ($\pm .026$)	-0.28 ($\pm .038$)	2.06 ($\pm .70$)	1.77 (± 1.1)
LM695	11010	-0.24 ($\pm .017$)	-0.19 ($\pm .058$)	3.85 ($\pm .70$)	6.61 (± 1.1)
LM691	11001	-0.073 ($\pm .013$)	-0.094 ($\pm .052$)	3.85 ($\pm .70$)	7.00 (± 1.4)
LM709	10011	-0.24 ($\pm .027$)	-0.274 ($\pm .054$)	4.54 ($\pm .70$)	4.94 (± 1.4)
LM595	01011	-0.51 ($\pm .051$)	-0.294 ($\pm .056$)	4.54 ($\pm .70$)	4.52 (± 1.4)
LM701	11011	-0.42 ($\pm .037$)	-0.284 ($\pm .072$)	4.83 ($\pm .70$)	7.69 (± 1.8)

non-epistatic combination
of single mutations:

(Das *et al.* (2020))

$$r_{\sigma} = \prod_{i \in I^+[\sigma]} r_i, m_{\sigma} = \prod_{i \in I^+[\sigma]} m_i$$

TIL Model – Ingredients

- L loci, $i = 1, 2, \dots, L$, $\sigma = (\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots, \sigma_L)$.
- $\sigma_i = 0, 1$ mutation is absent/present at i .

$$I^+[\sigma] = \{i : \sigma_i = 1\}, \quad I^-[\sigma] = \{i : \sigma_i = 0\}.$$

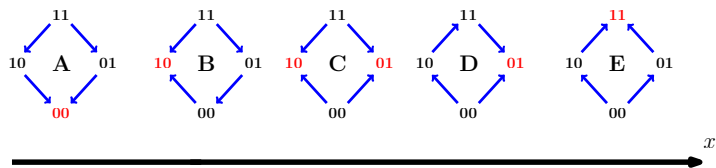
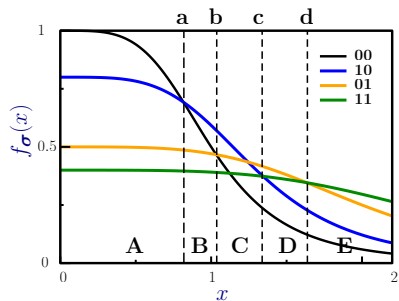
- r_i and m_i are the null-fitness and IC_{50} of a single mutation at locus i
- Adaptive trade-off: $r_i < 1$ and $m_i > 1$.
- **General σ** : DR-curve given by

$$f_{\sigma}(x) = r_{\sigma} w\left(\frac{x}{m_{\sigma}}\right), \quad \text{where } r_{\sigma} = \prod_{i \in I^+[\sigma]} r_i, \quad m_{\sigma} = \prod_{i \in I^+[\sigma]} m_i$$

- $w(x)$ continuous and decreasing, s.t. fitness curves of WT $\sigma = 0$ and single point mutations $\sigma = 0^{+i}$ intersect once:

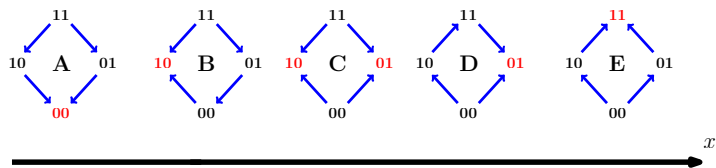
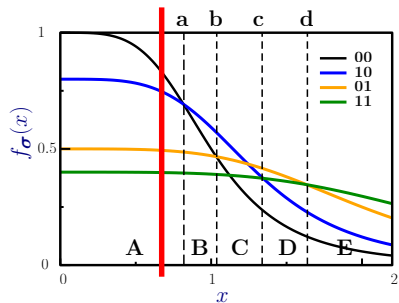
$$w(x) = r_i w\left(\frac{x}{m_i}\right) \Rightarrow x = x_i.$$

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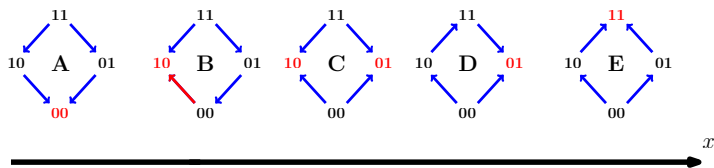
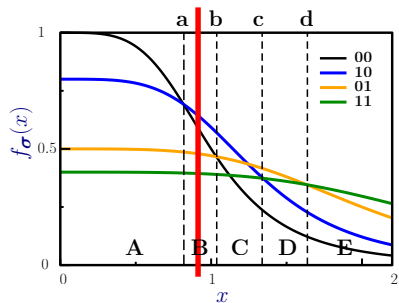
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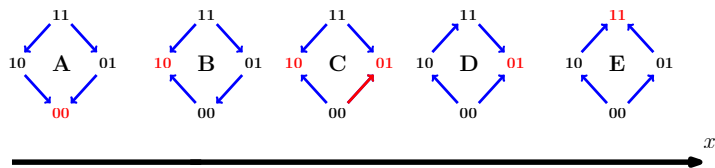
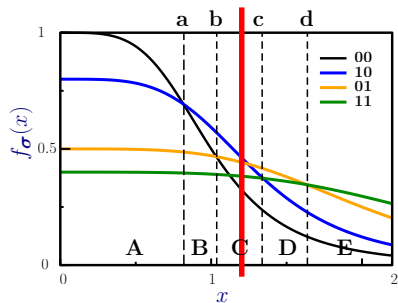
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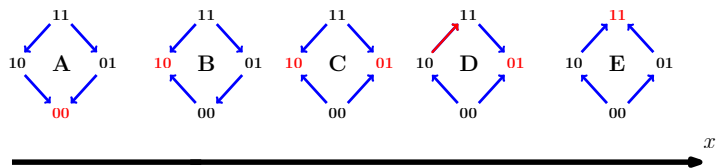
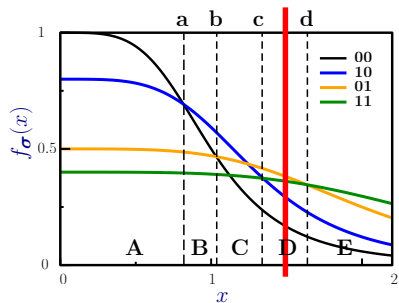
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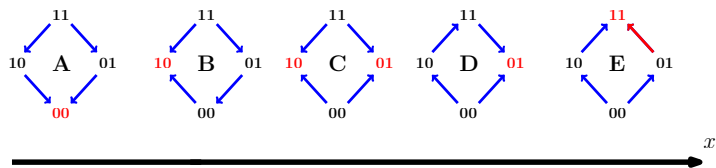
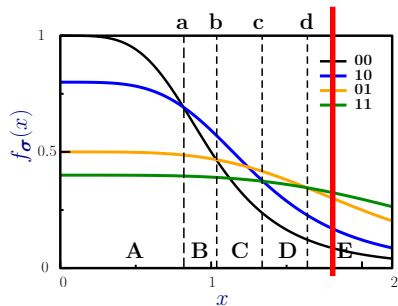
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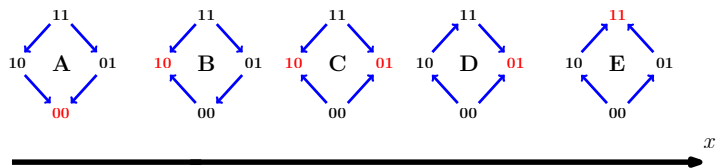
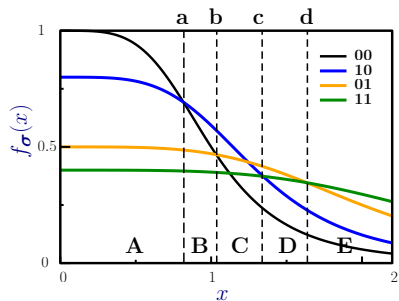
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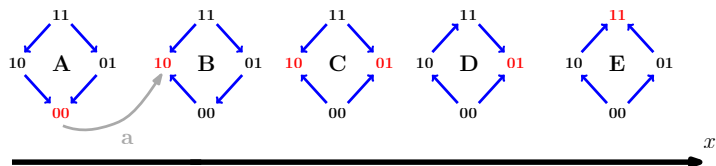
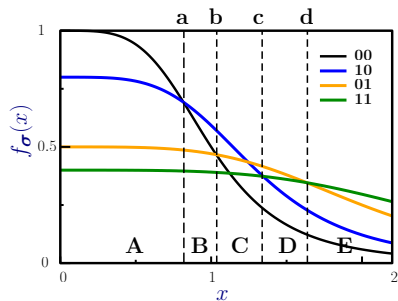
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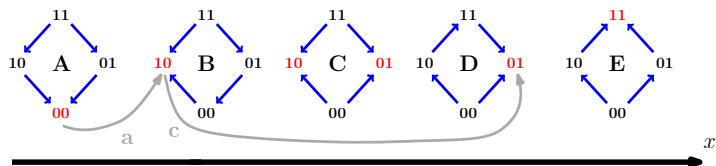
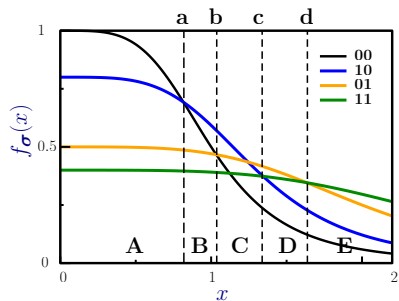
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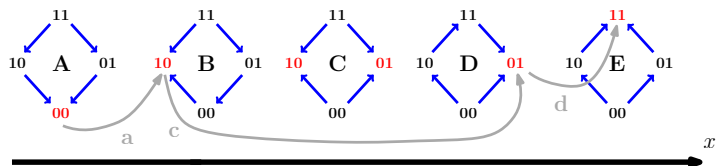
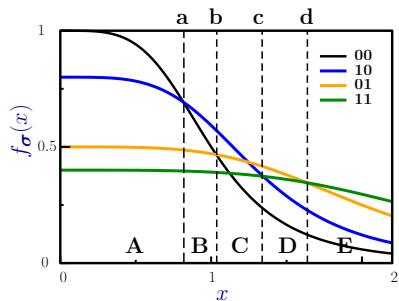
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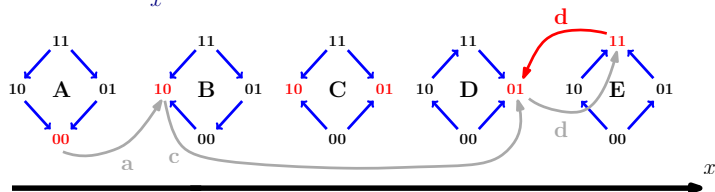
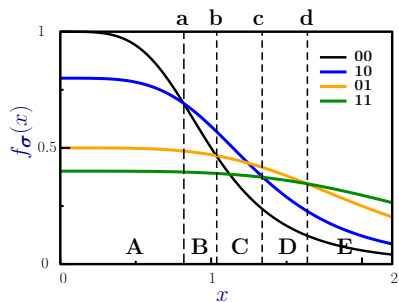
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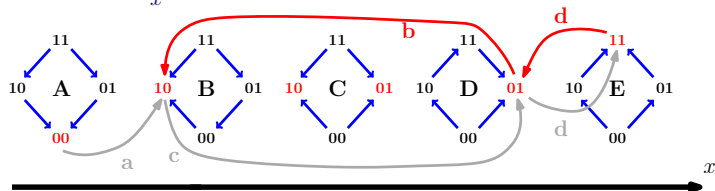
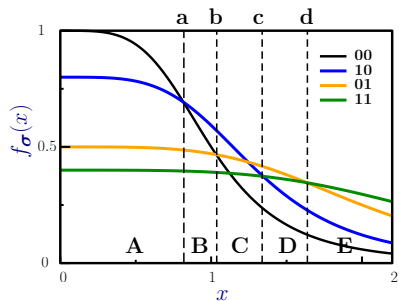
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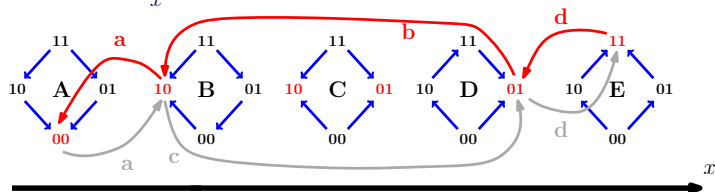
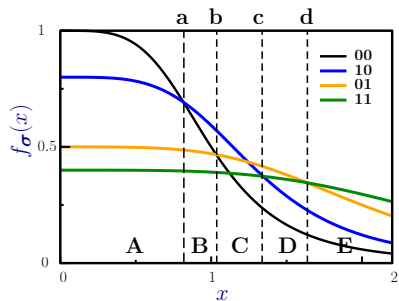
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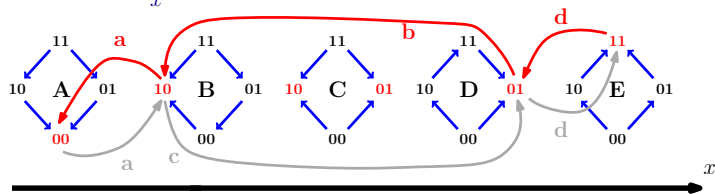
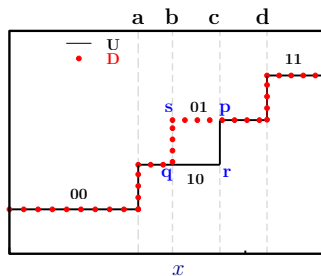
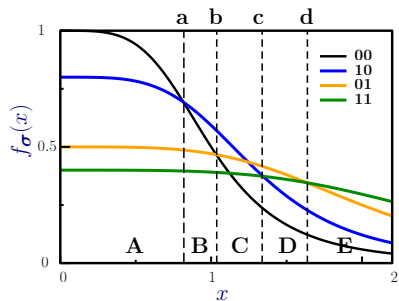
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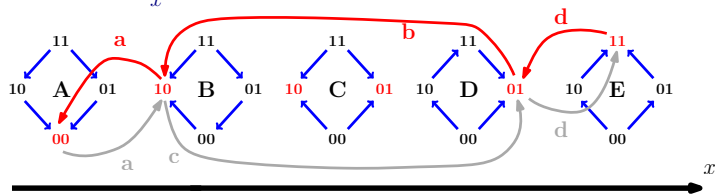
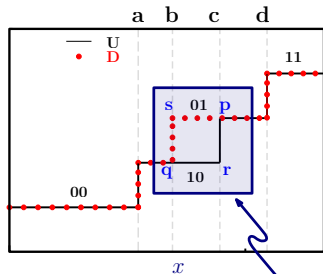
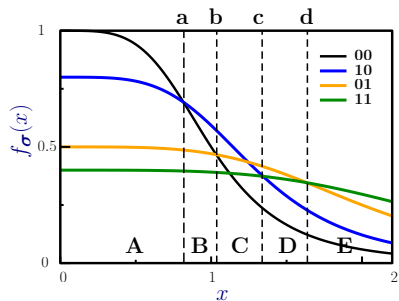
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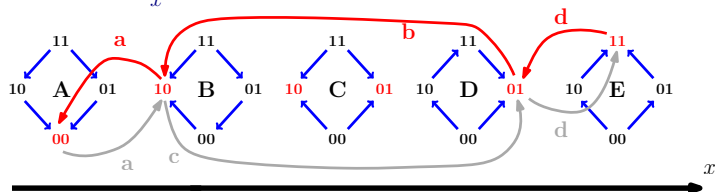
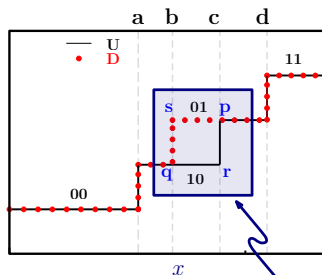
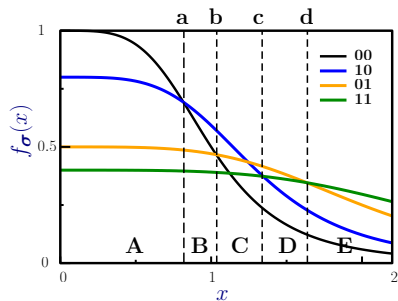
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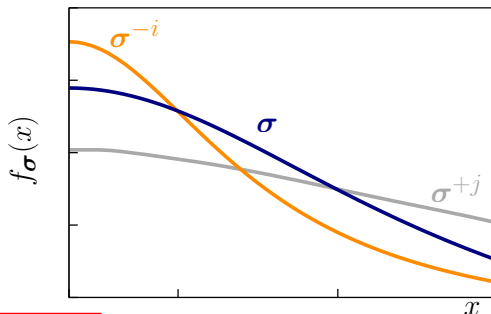
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TIL fitness maxima

Single mutation loci of σ :

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σ is a fitness maximum at x if:

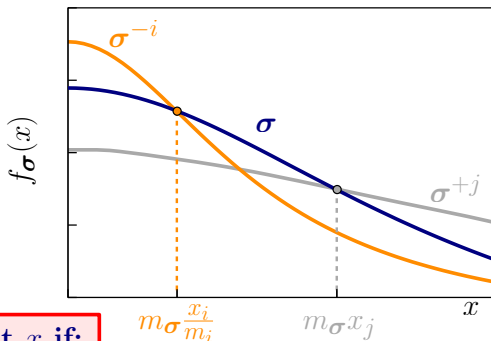
$$f_{\sigma^{+j}}(x) < f_\sigma(x) \quad \text{for all } j \in I^-$$

$$f_{\sigma^{-i}}(x) < f_\sigma(x) \quad \text{for all } i \in I^+$$

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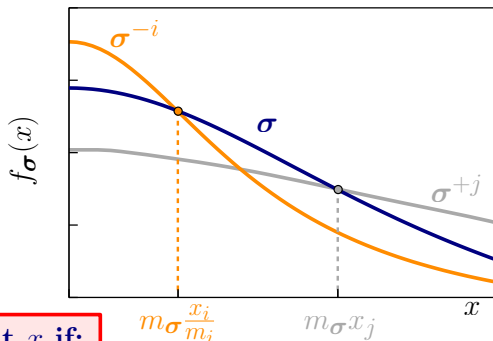
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requires $\max_{i \in I^+} \frac{x_i}{m_i} < \min_{j \in I^-} x_j$

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Like Preisach!

$$F_i^- \leftrightarrow \frac{x_i}{m_i} \quad \text{and} \quad F_i^+ \leftrightarrow x_i$$

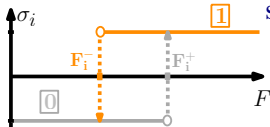
fitness range of σ :

$$m_\sigma \frac{x_\ell}{m_\ell} < x < m_\sigma x_u$$

requires $\max_{i \in I^+} \frac{x_i}{m_i} < \min_{j \in I^-} x_j$

The Preisach – TIL equivalence

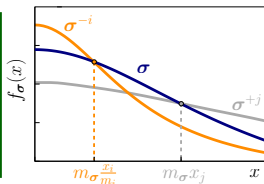
$$\sigma = (\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots, \sigma_L), \quad \sigma_i = 0, 1$$



Switching fields:

$$F_1^\pm, F_2^\pm, \dots, F_L^\pm$$

$$F_i^- < F_i^+$$



Switching concentrations of single mutations of wild-type:

$$x_1, x_2, \dots, x_L$$

$$\frac{x_1}{m_1}, \frac{x_2}{m_2}, \dots, \frac{x_L}{m_L}$$

$$m_i > 1$$

$$\frac{x_i}{m_i} < x_i$$

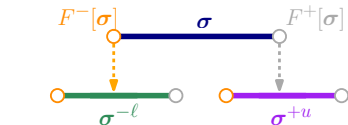
σ is POSSIBLE ONLY IF:

$$F^-[\sigma] \equiv \max_{\{i: \sigma_i = 1\}} F_i^- < \min_{\{j: \sigma_j = 0\}} F_j^+ \equiv F^+[\sigma]$$

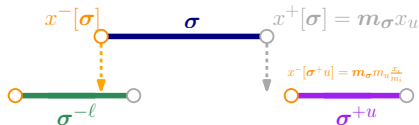
$$x^-[\sigma] \equiv m_\sigma \max_{\{i: \sigma_i = 1\}} \frac{x_i}{m_i} < m_\sigma \min_{\{j: \sigma_j = 0\}} x_j \equiv x^+[\sigma]$$

(determines the **SAME** set of states/fitness maxima)

Let ℓ and u be the sites where the max and min are attained



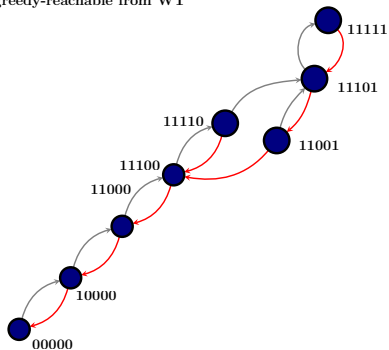
\Rightarrow Single site flips suffice
NO AVALANCHES!



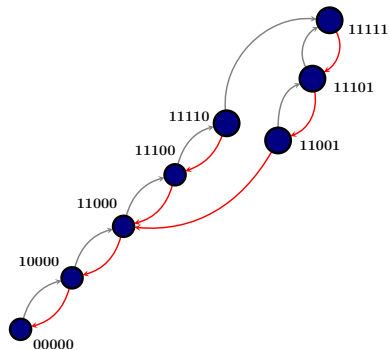
additional (complementary) mutations!

TIL Dynamics

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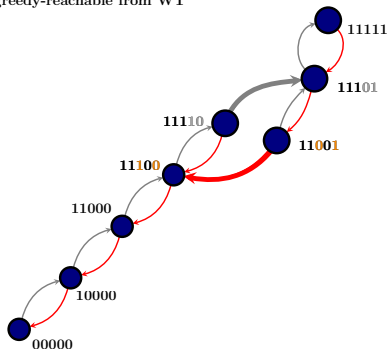


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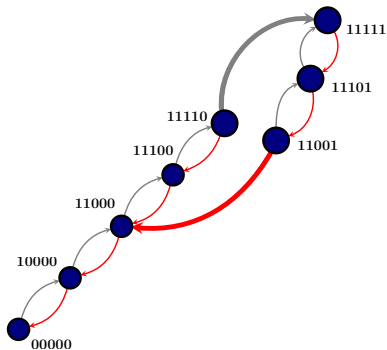


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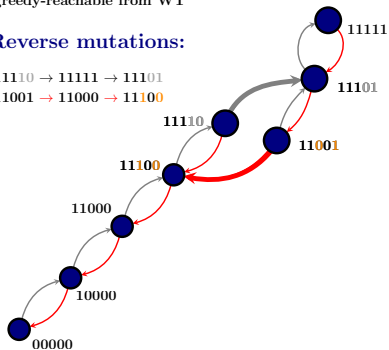
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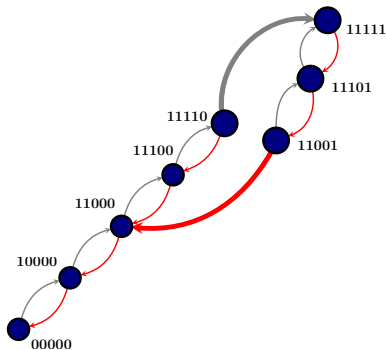
Reverse mutations:

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11001 → 11000 → 11100

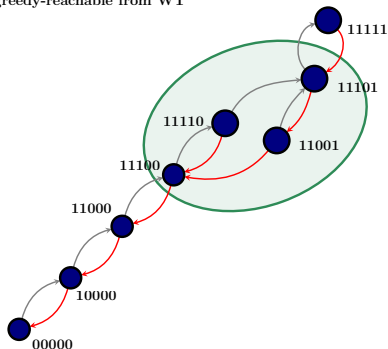


Preisach Dynamics



TIL Dynamics

● greedy-reachable from WT

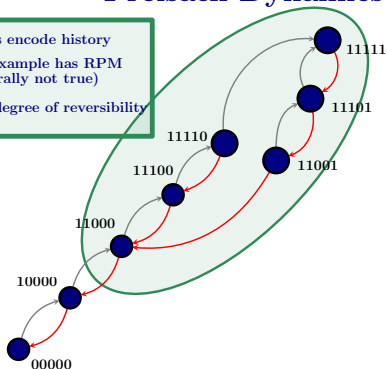


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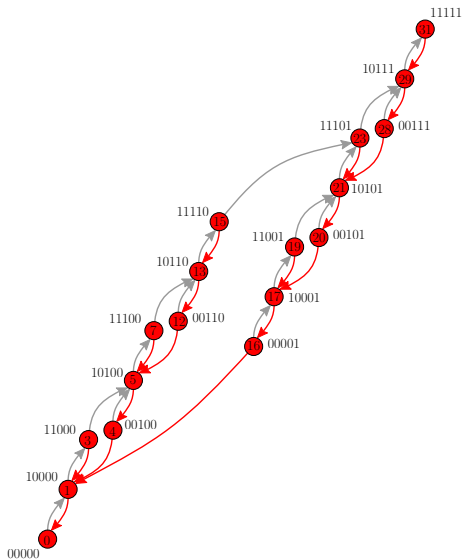
States encode history

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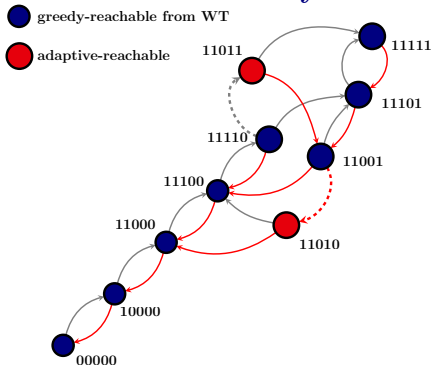
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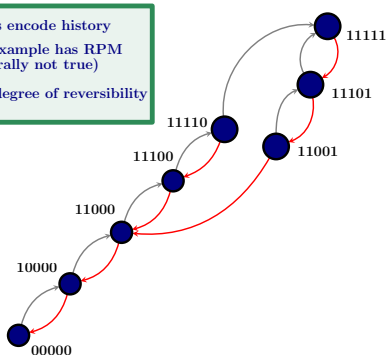
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TIL Dynamics

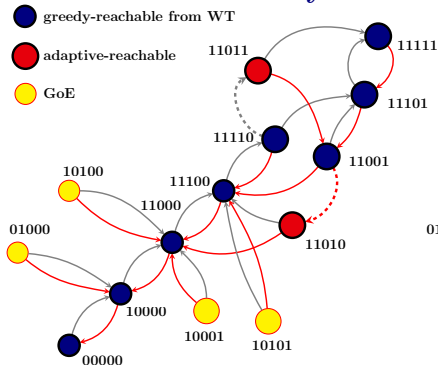


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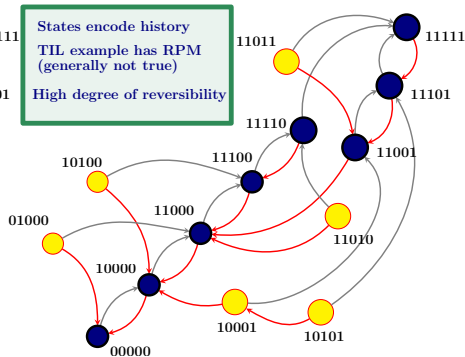


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TIL Dynamics – Summary

- Introduced a simple **model of adaptive evolution** of drug resistance **in a changing environment**.
- Established a **connection with the Preisach model**:
- However, in general the **dynamics is different**:
 - Cascades of mutations in the TIL model vs. single site changes in Preisach dynamics
 - In the biological setting one can have adaptive pathways that are biologically meaningful but not necessarily greedy.
- **Nevertheless**:
 - TIL dynamics has **history dependence**,
 - **Genotypes encode information on past environmental changes**.

What's next?

- **Connection with experiments:** Search of hysteresis, reversibility and memory in the adaptive evolution of bacterial populations
- **Explicitly add epistatic interactions:** e.g. relax the assumptions that single site mutations act independently in combination.
- **More complicated environments:** e.g. multiple drugs, incorporating explicit time dependence.
- **Beyond greedy adaptive walks:** characterize the **evolution of fitness landscapes**, i.e. how the full landscape evolves under concentration changes, how its “shape” changes.

THANK YOU!