

Fast is hot: energetics of information erasure and the overhead to Landauer's bound at low dissipation



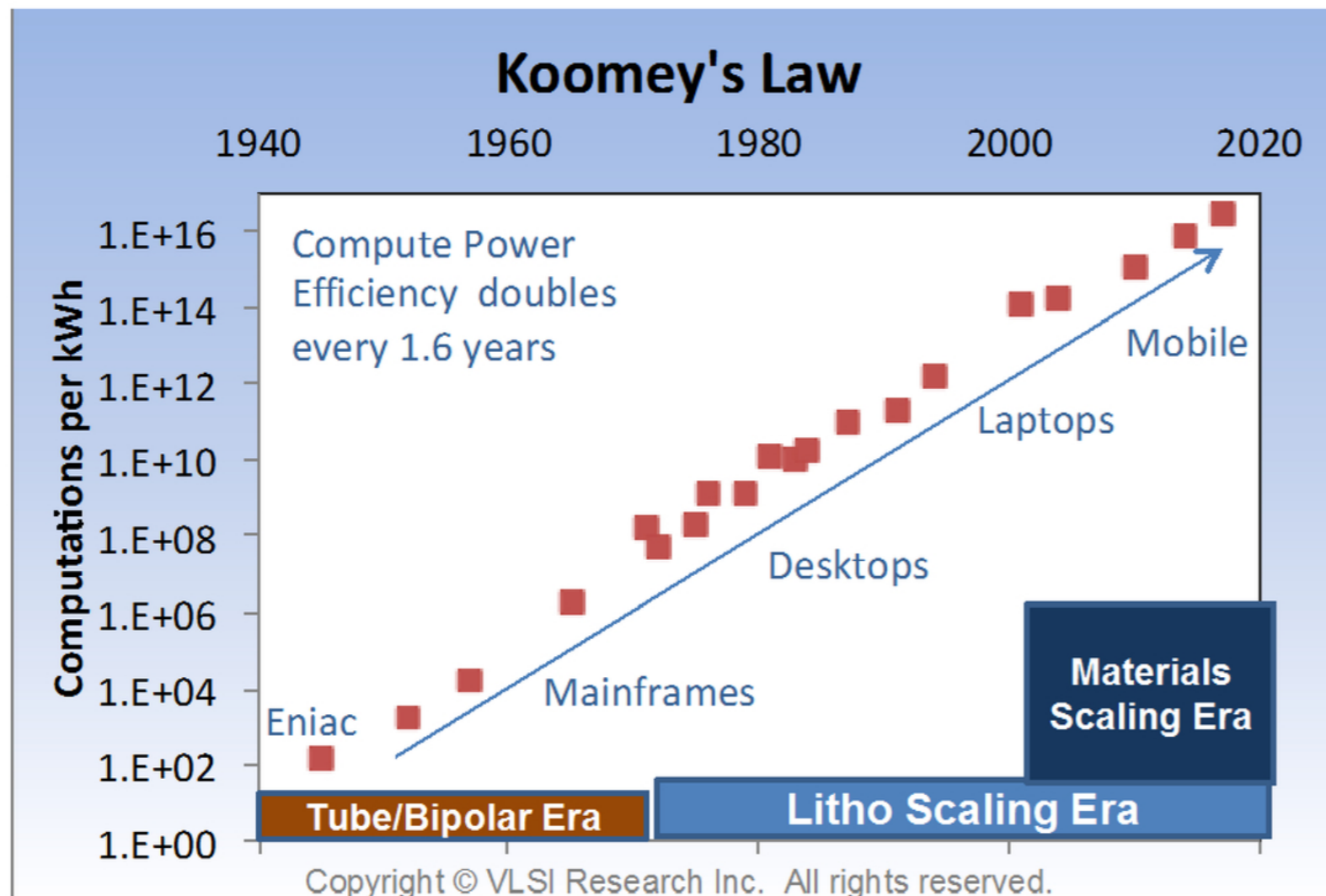
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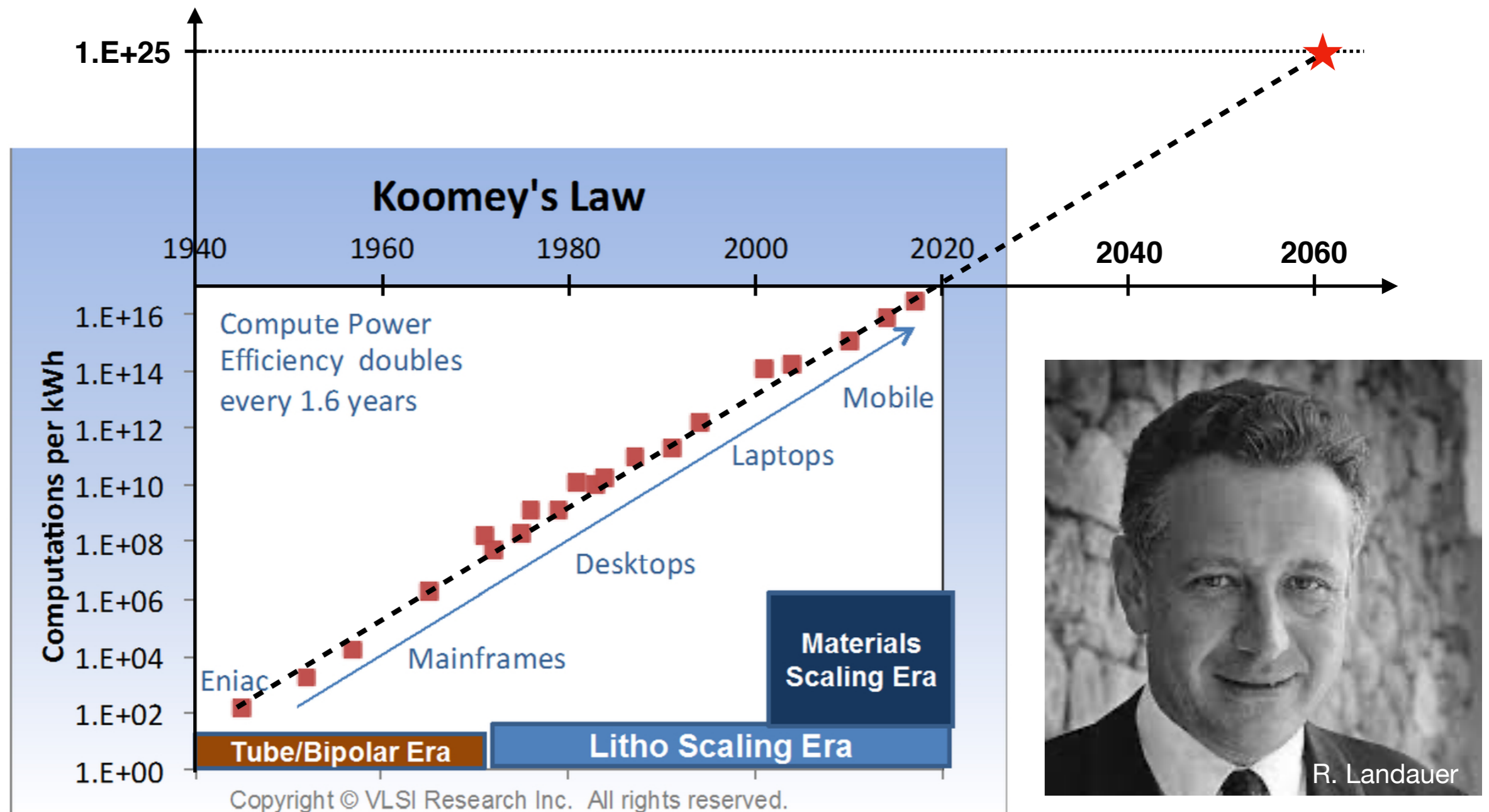
- Our brain: ~ 20 W (vs ~ 100 W for our body)
- Internet: 10% of electricity worldwide
- Supercomputers: costs are driven by Flops/W



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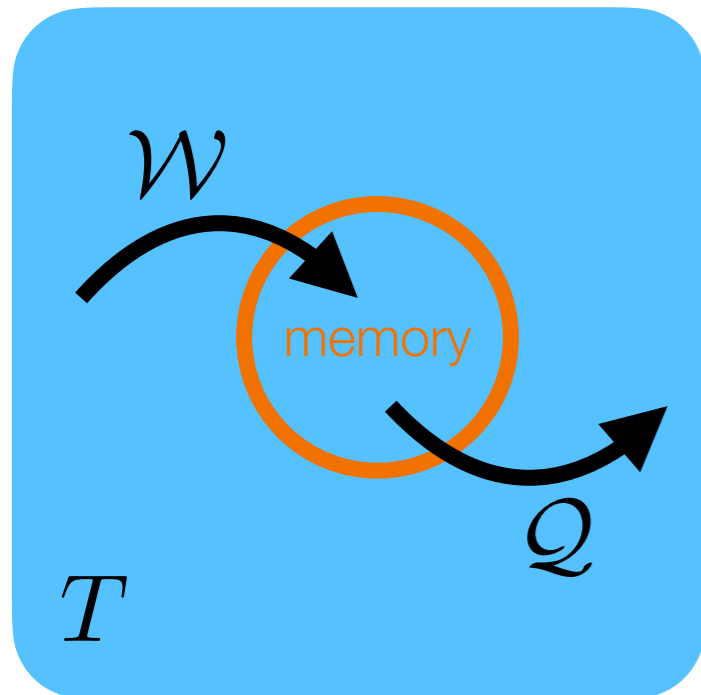
$$S = k_B \ln N$$

[Boltzmann]



$$\Delta S = -k_B \ln 2 \geq -\frac{\langle Q \rangle}{T}$$

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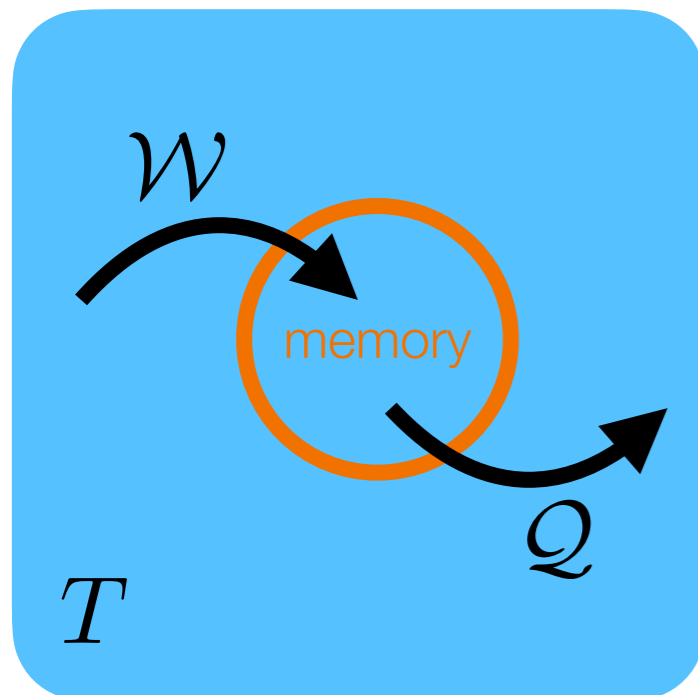
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Experimental demonstration ?

Distance to the bound ?

Fast operation ?

Energetics ?



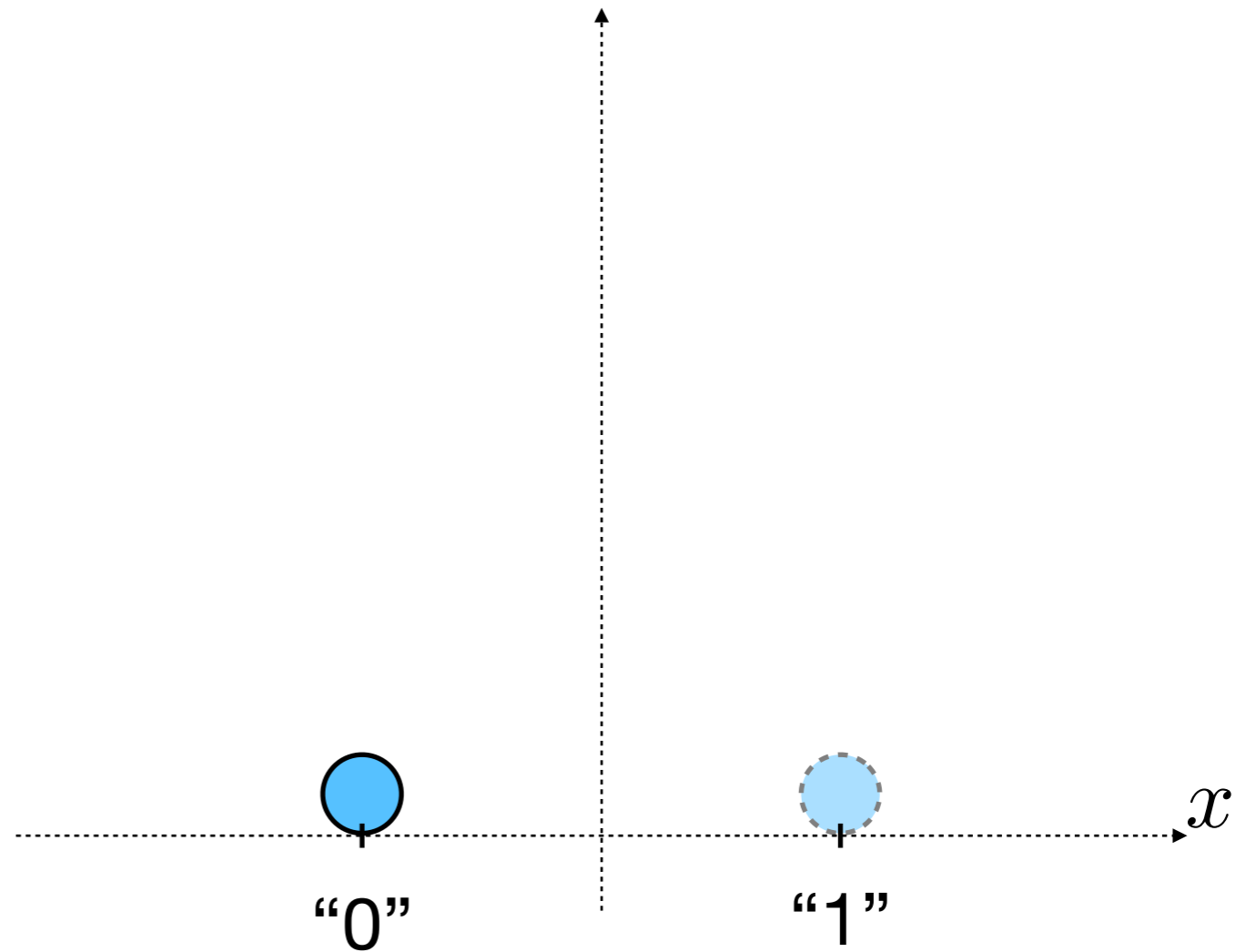
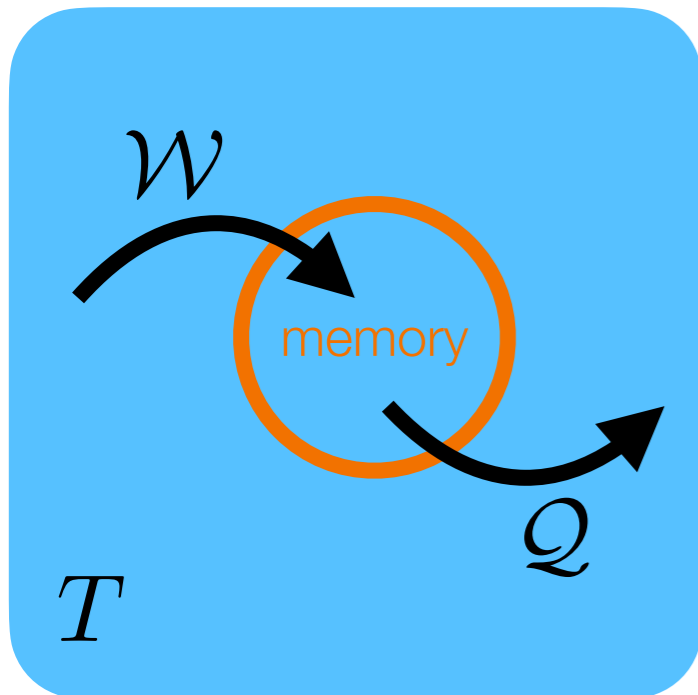
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R. Landauer

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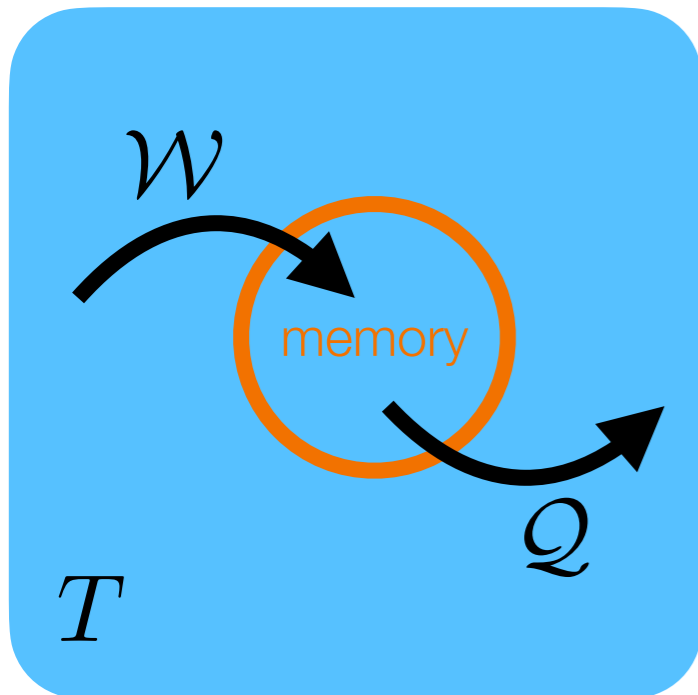
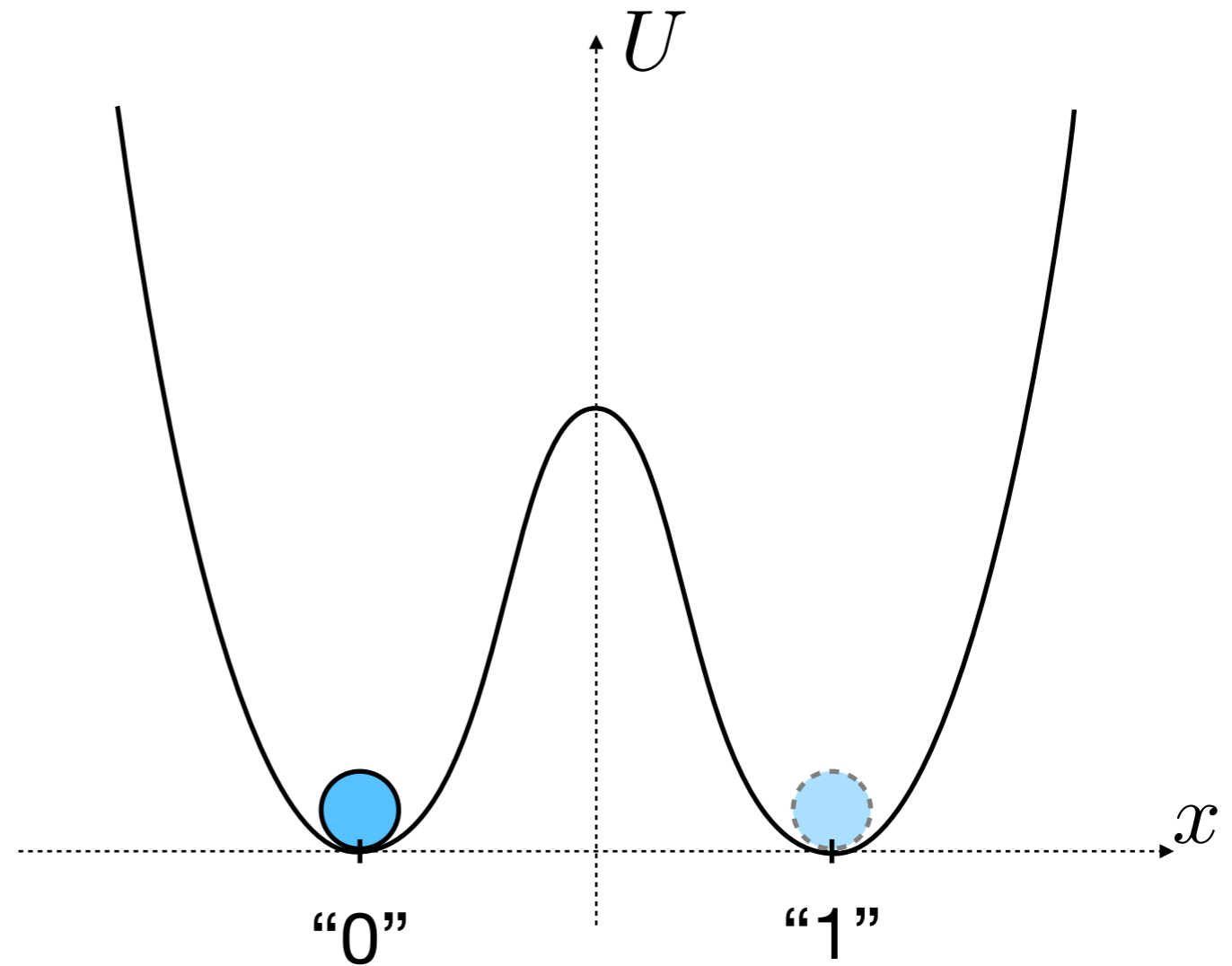
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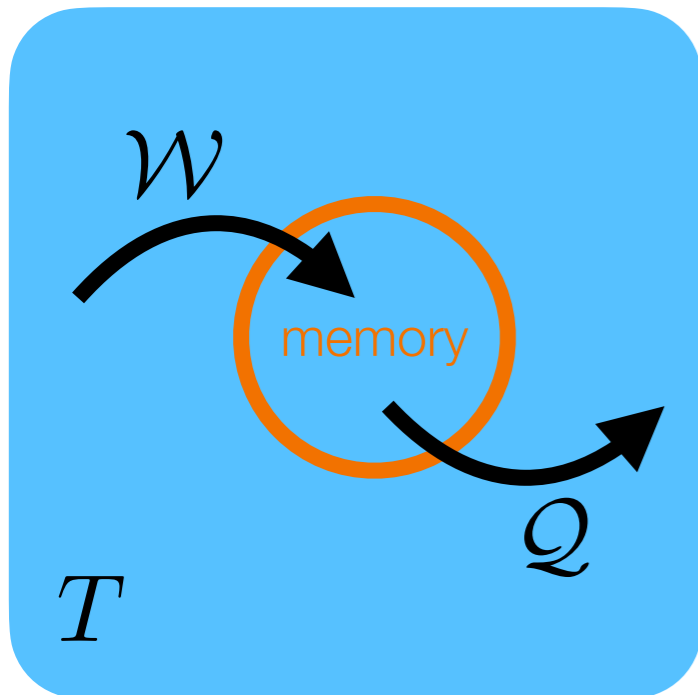
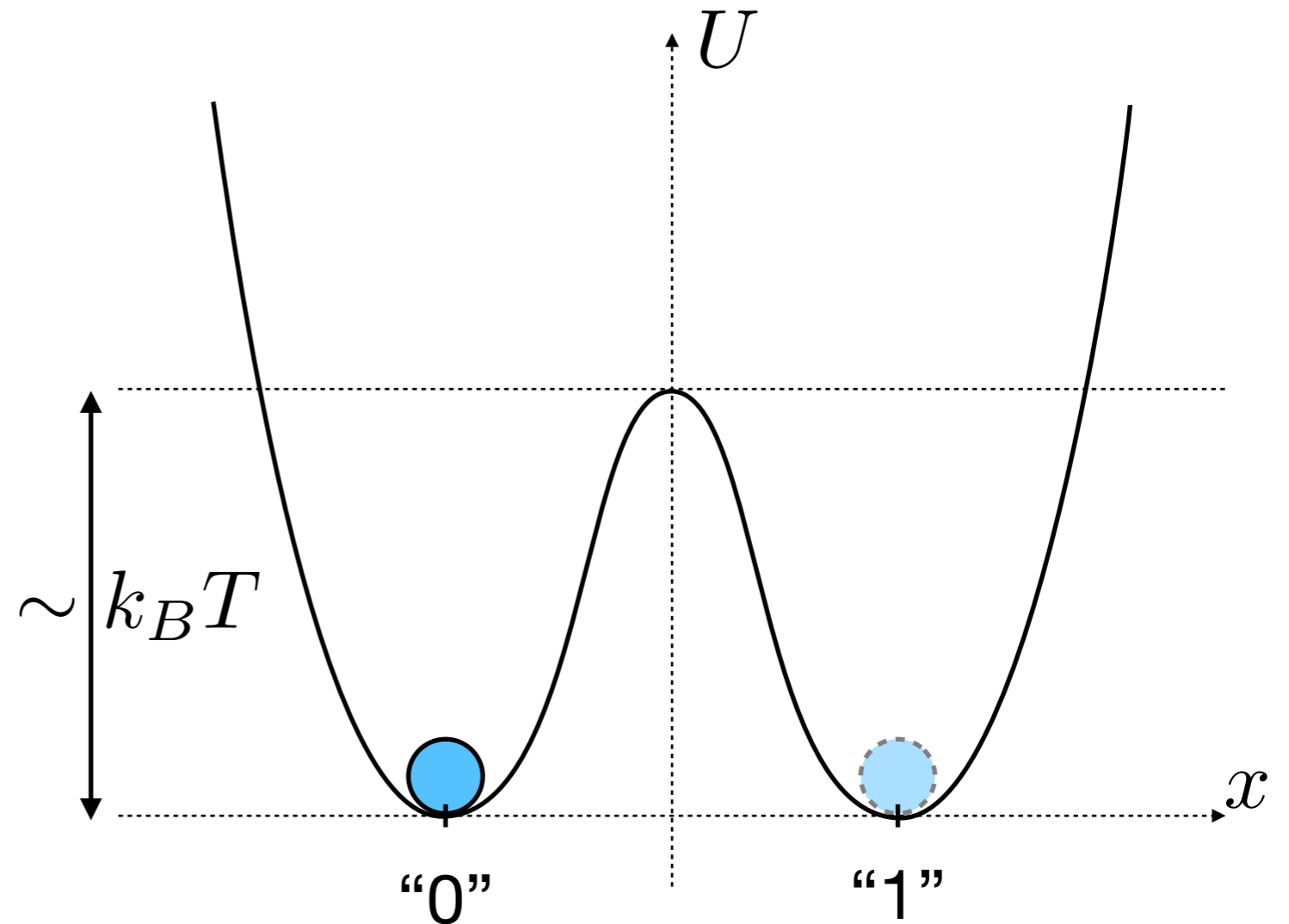
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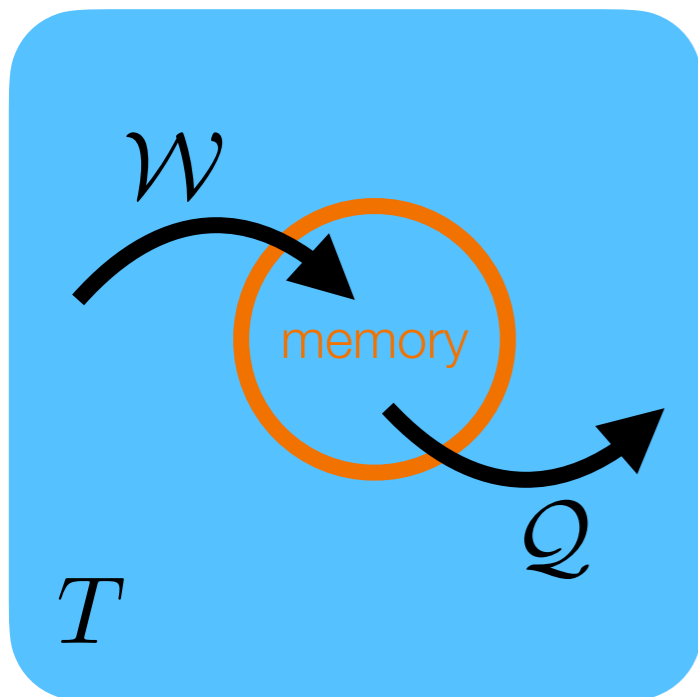
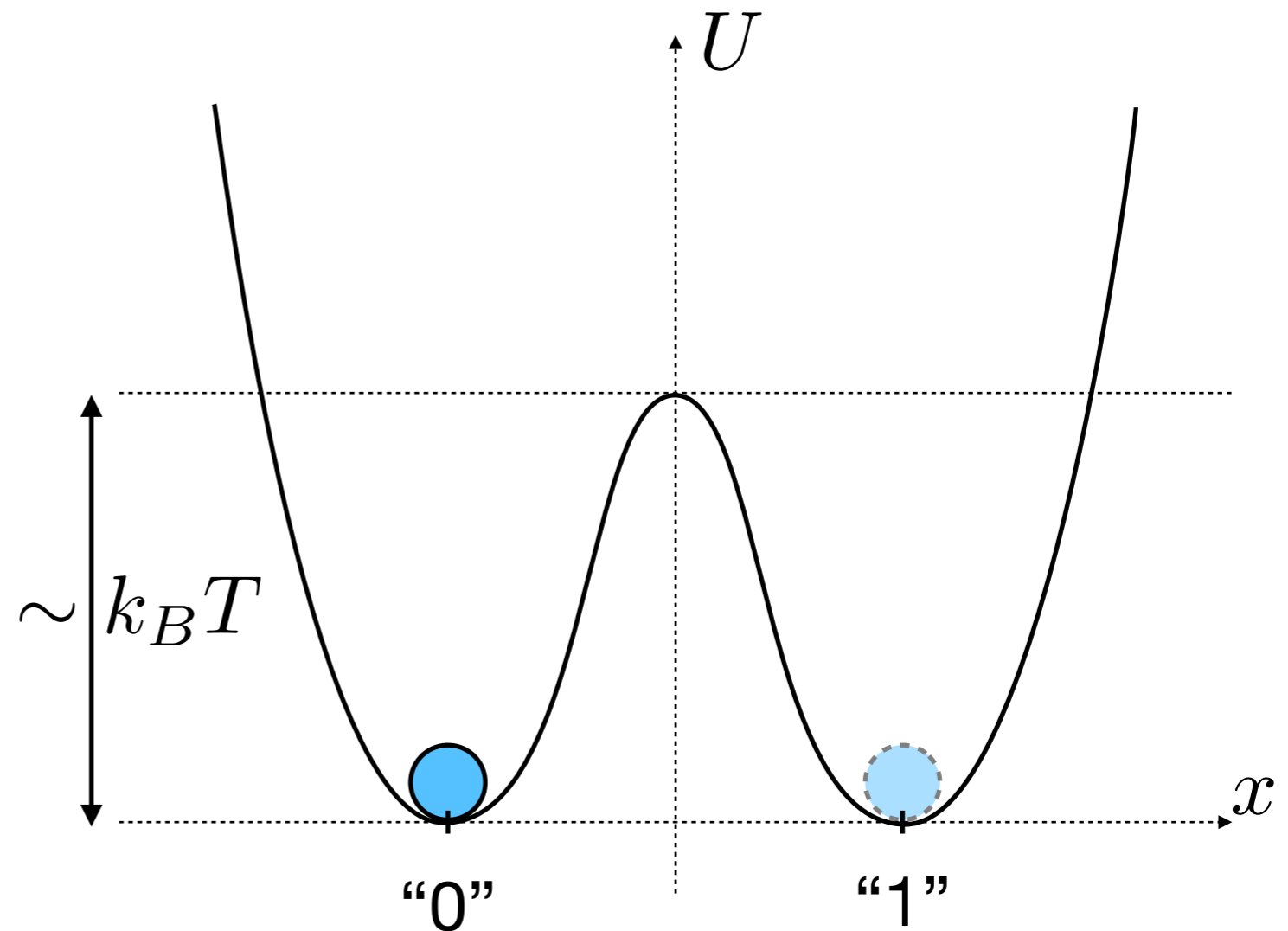
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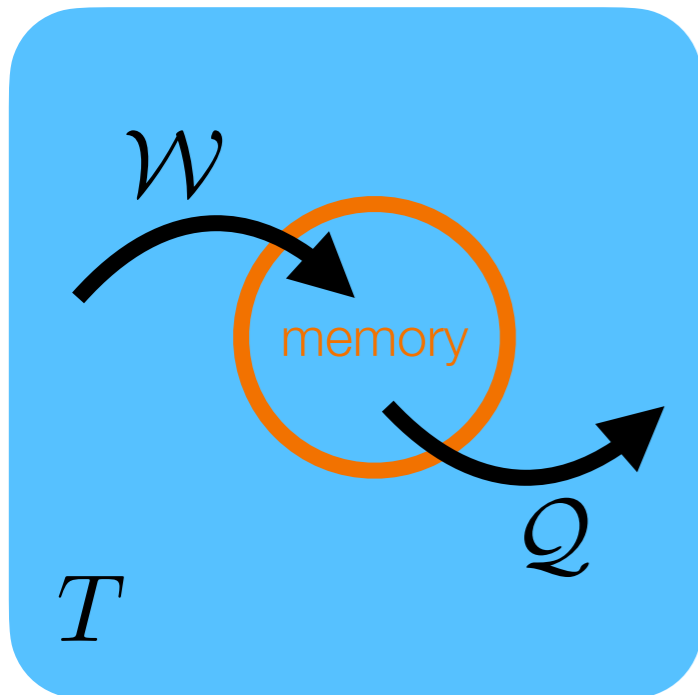
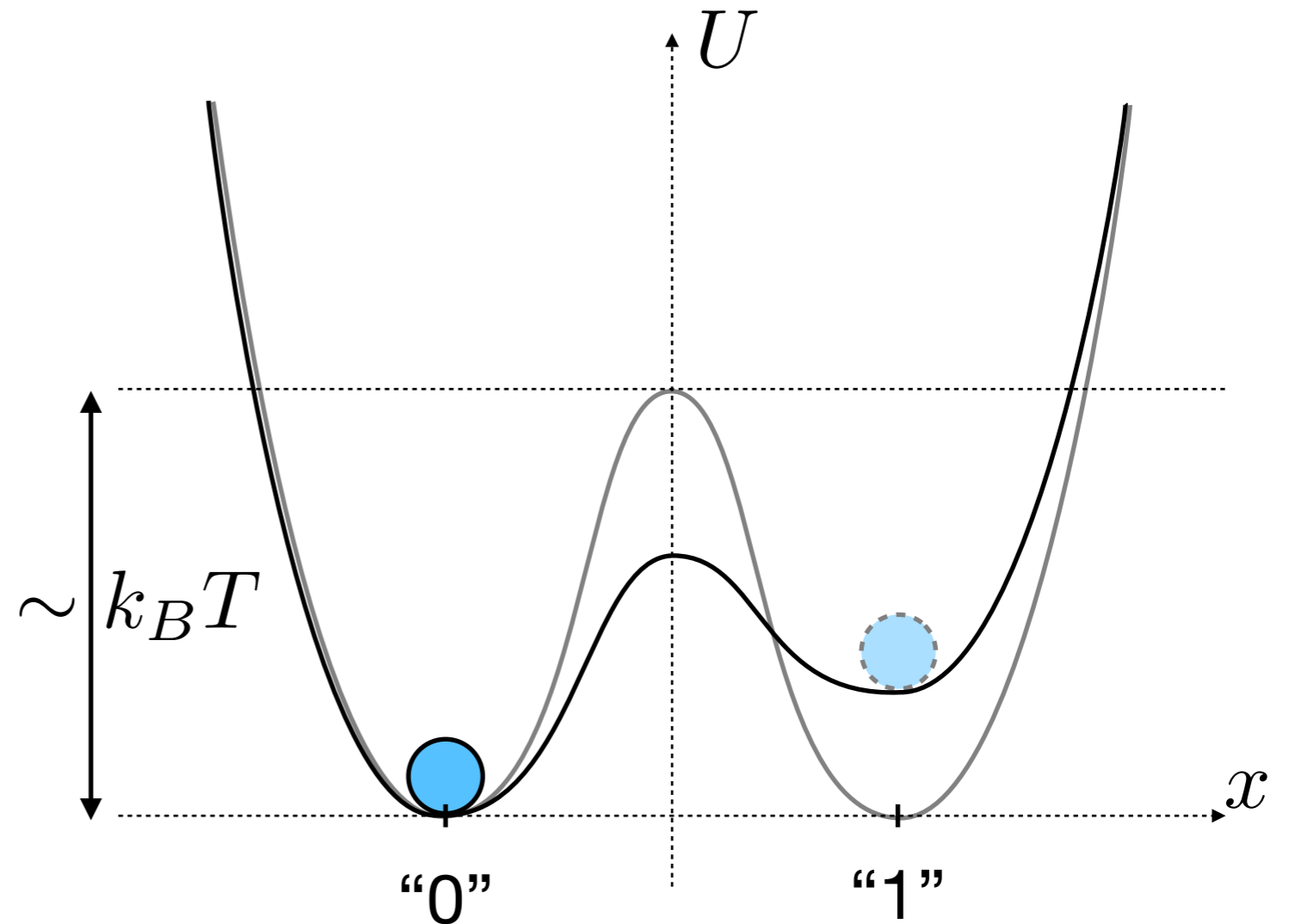
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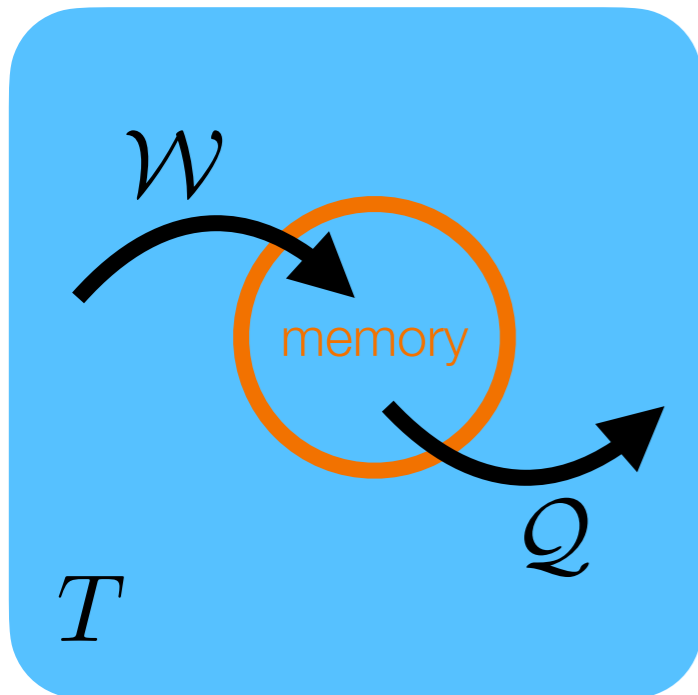
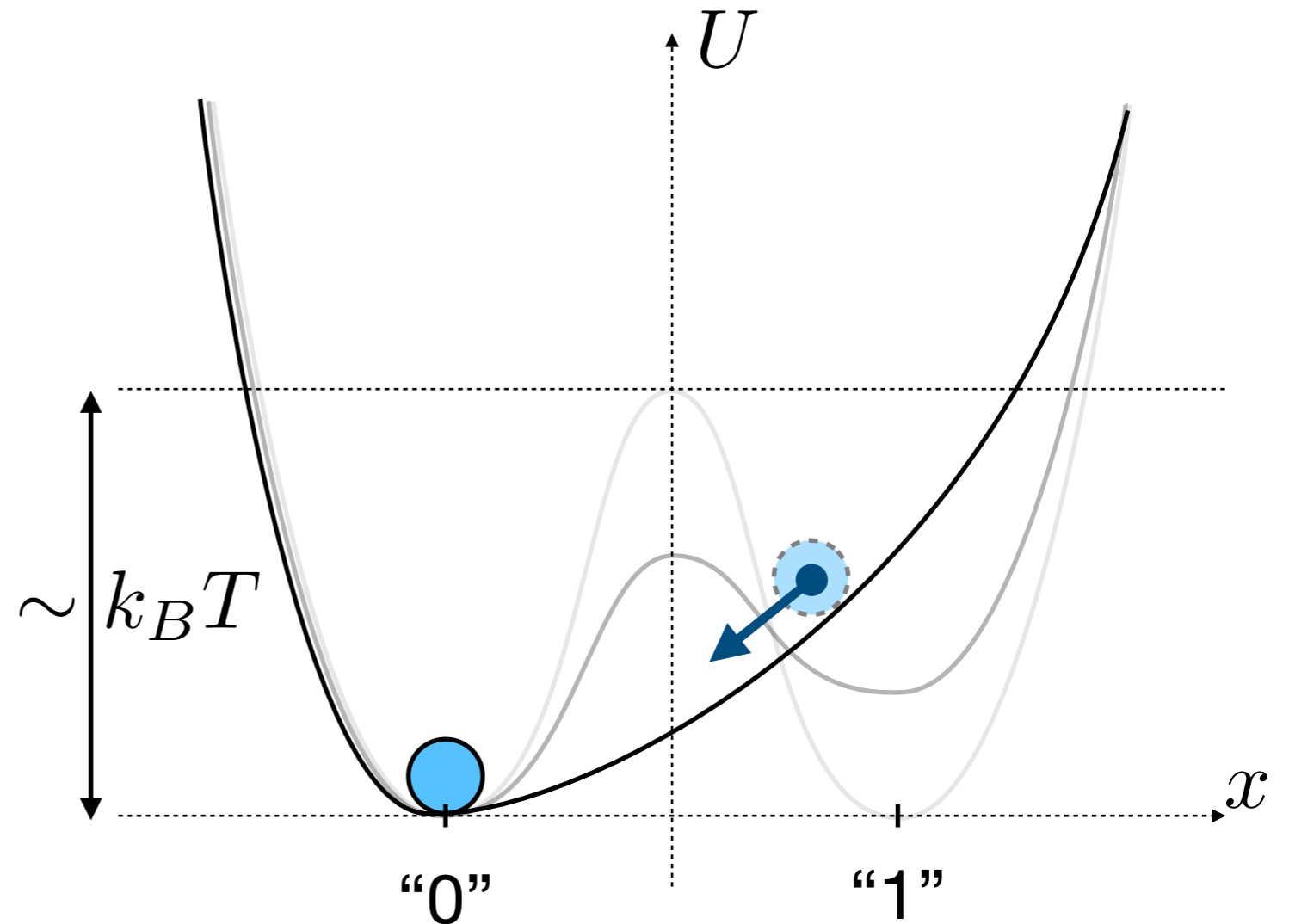
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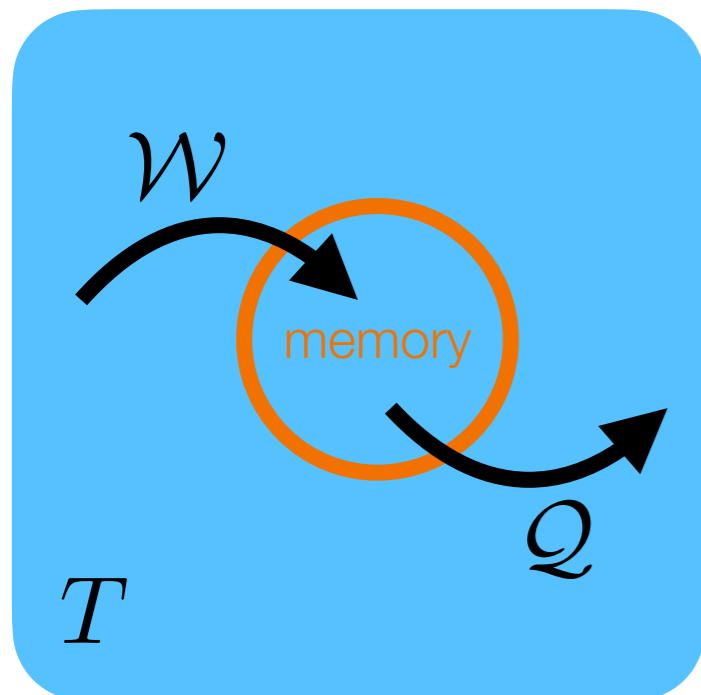
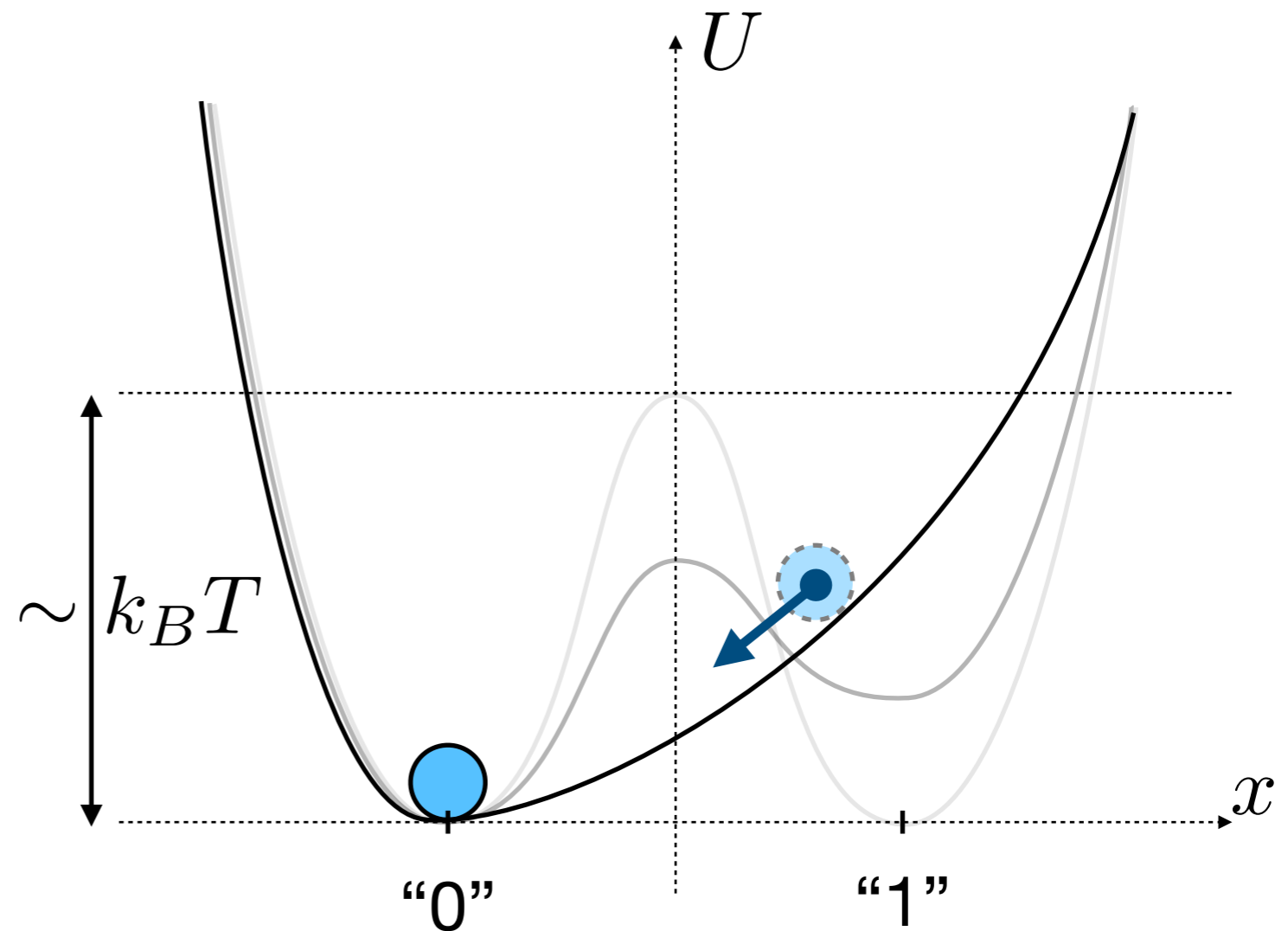
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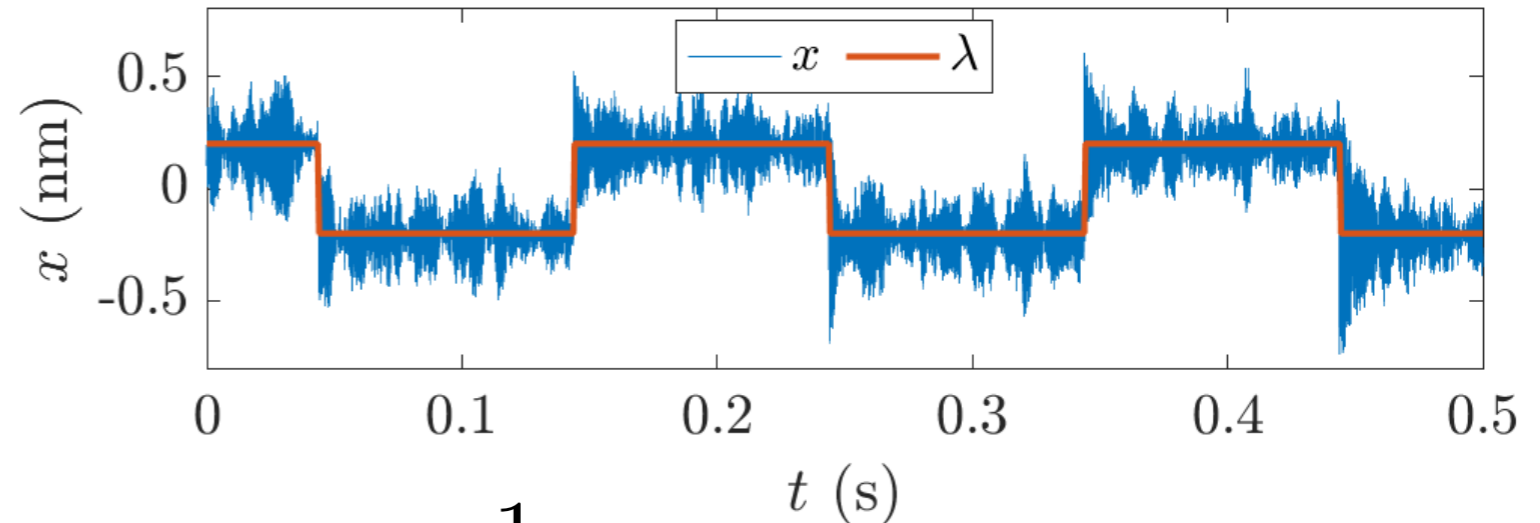
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$$\Delta U = \mathcal{W} - \mathcal{Q}$$

Stochastic thermodynamics

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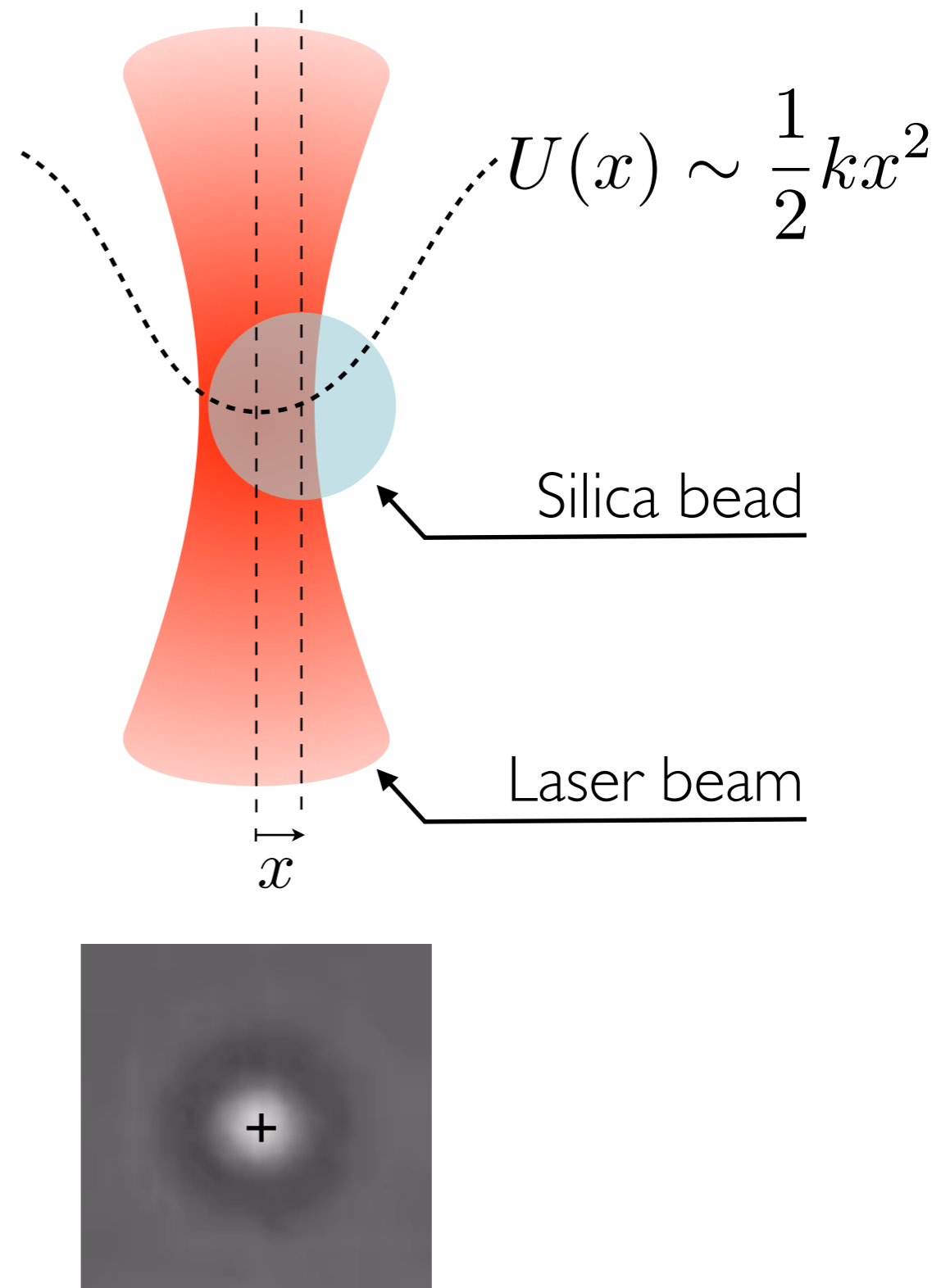
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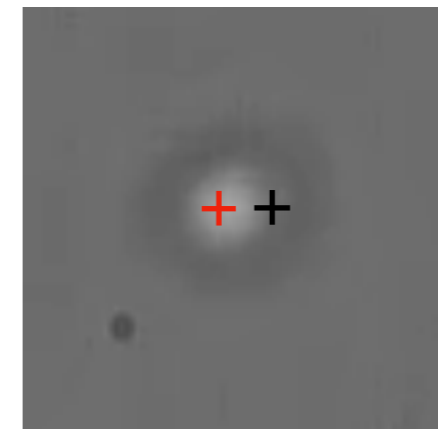
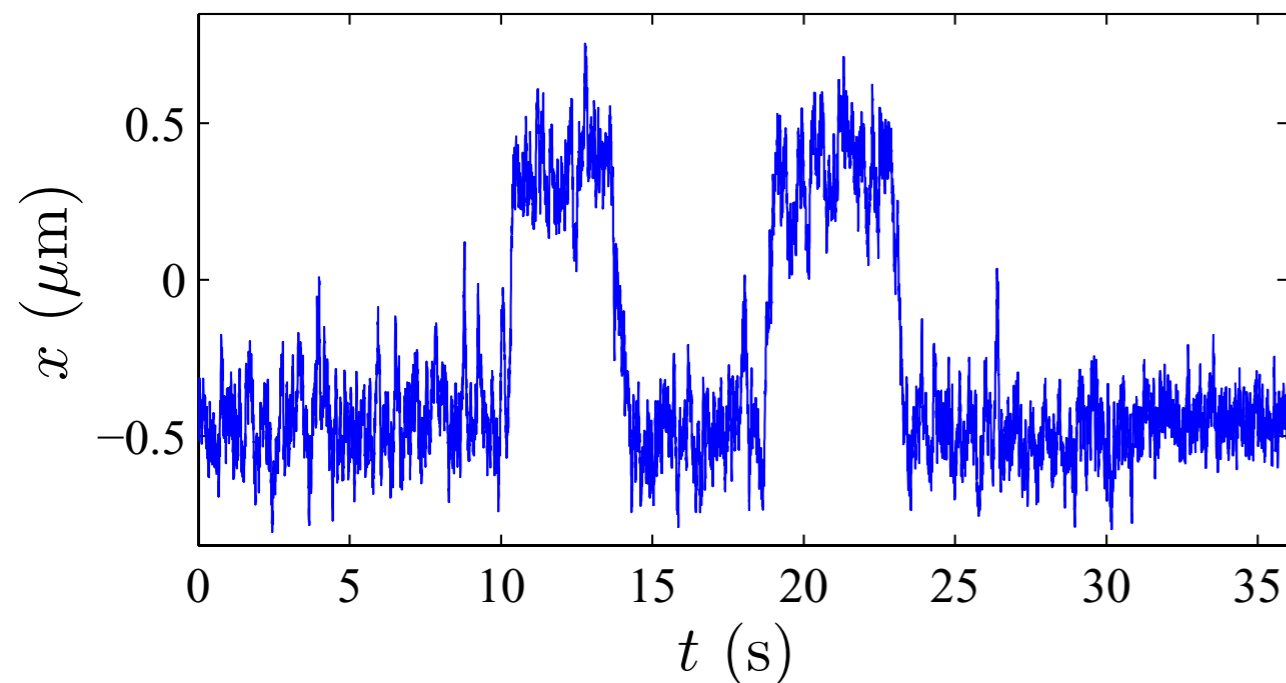
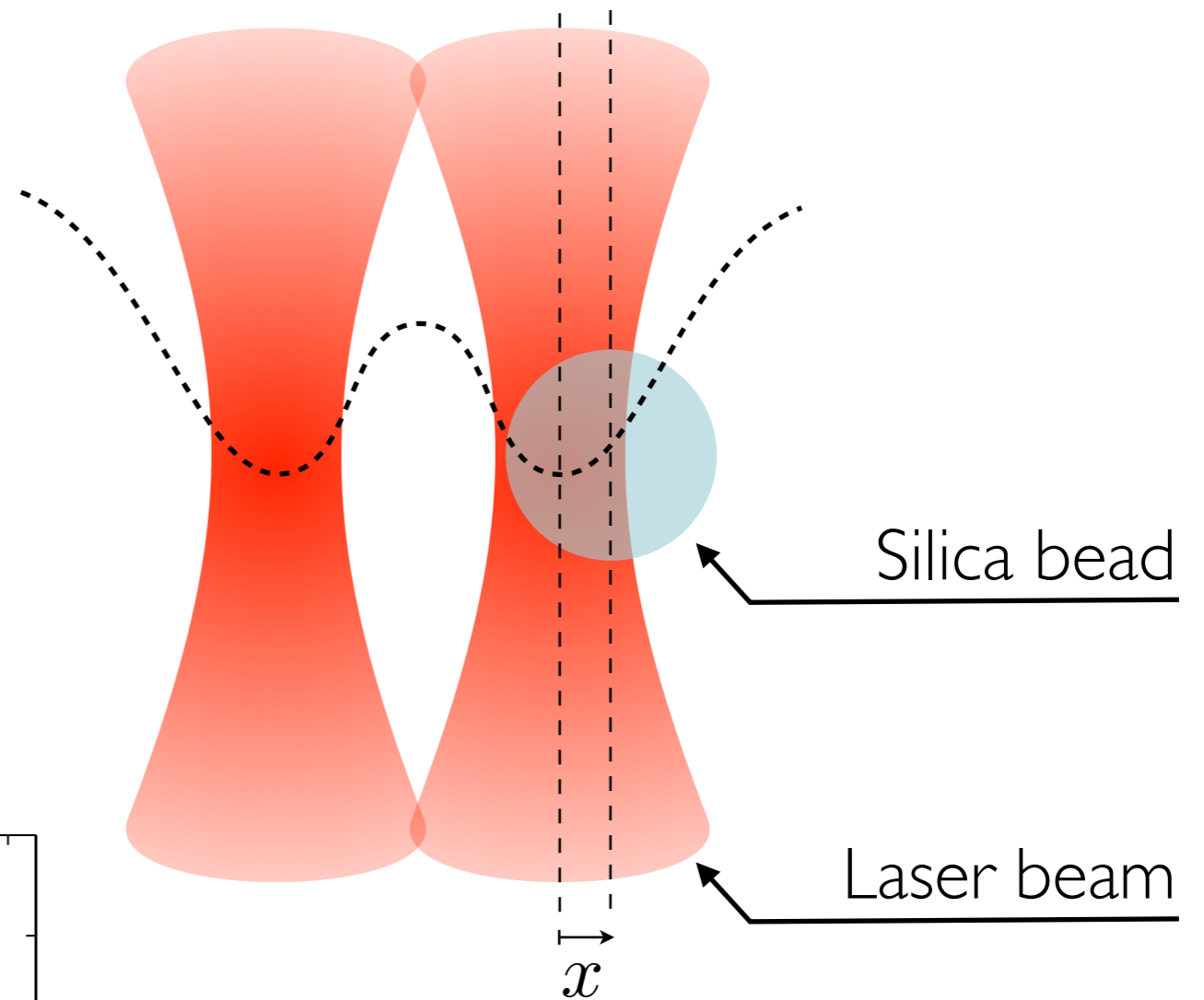
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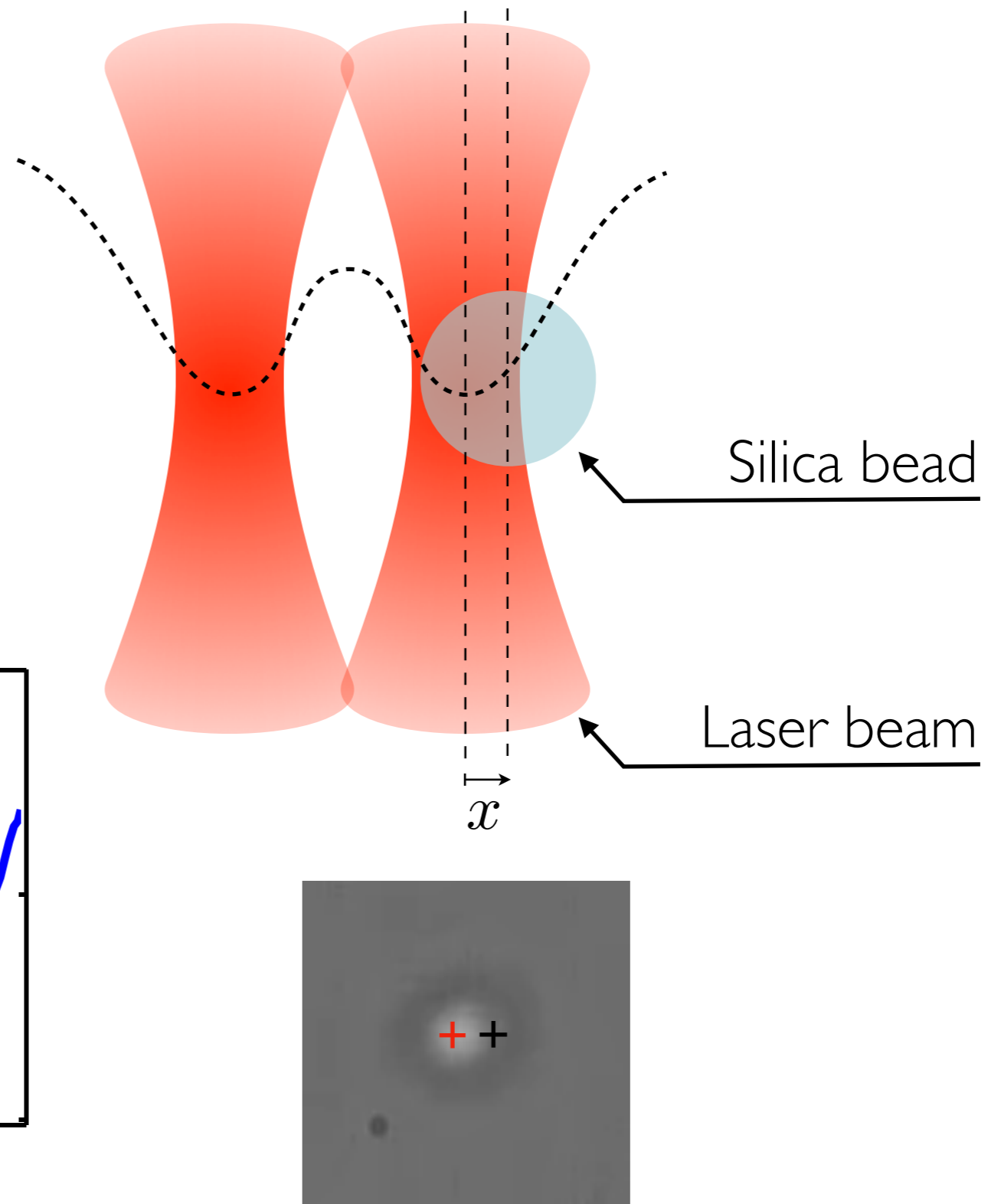
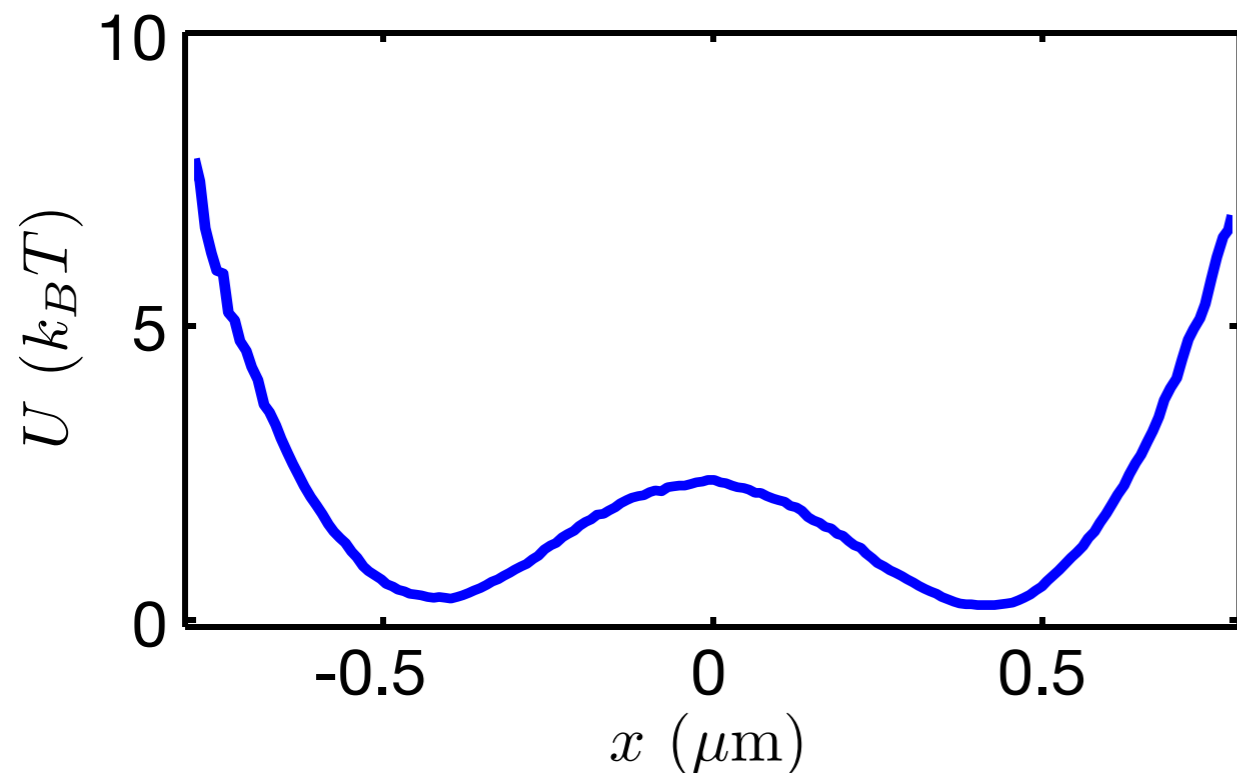
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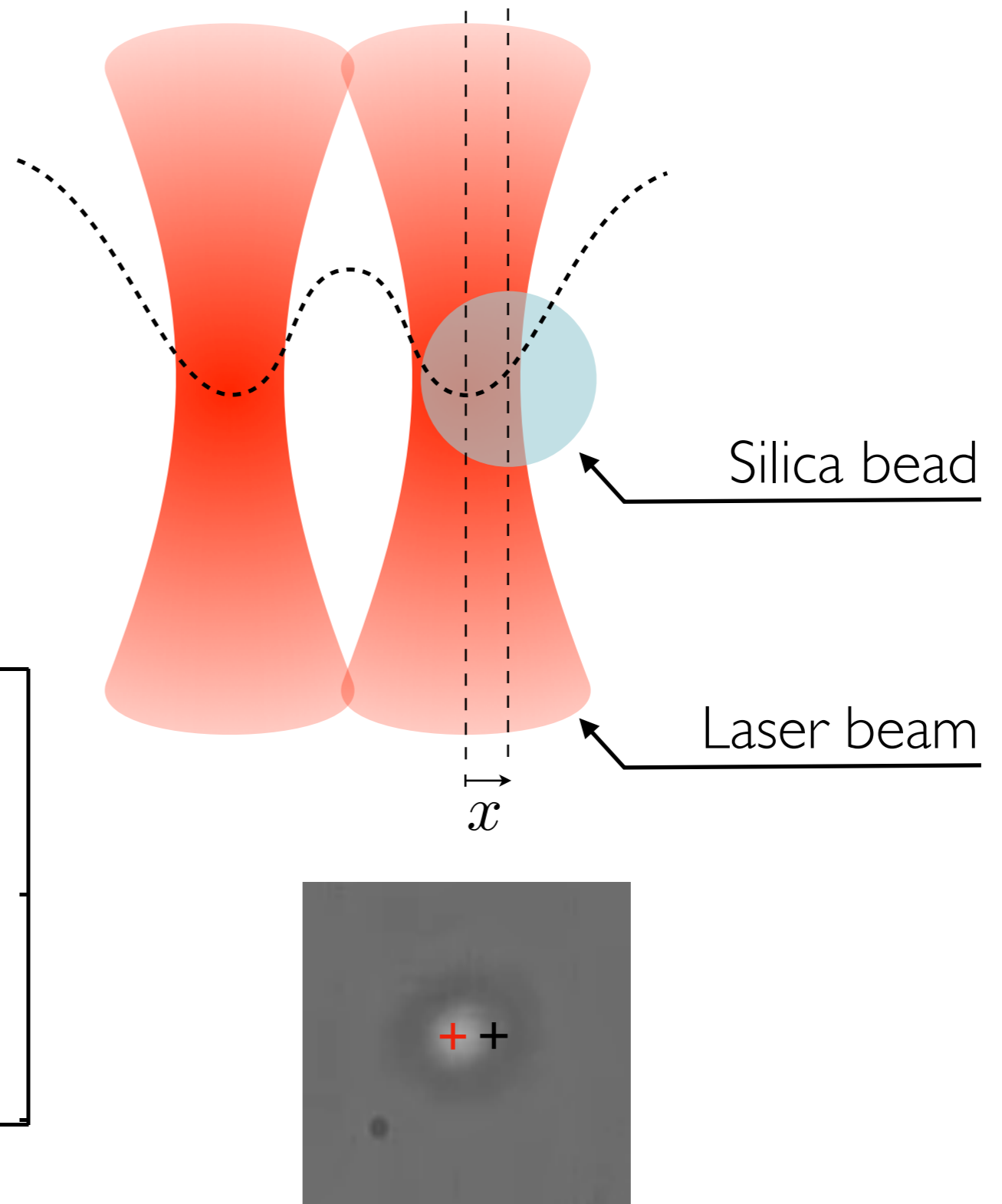
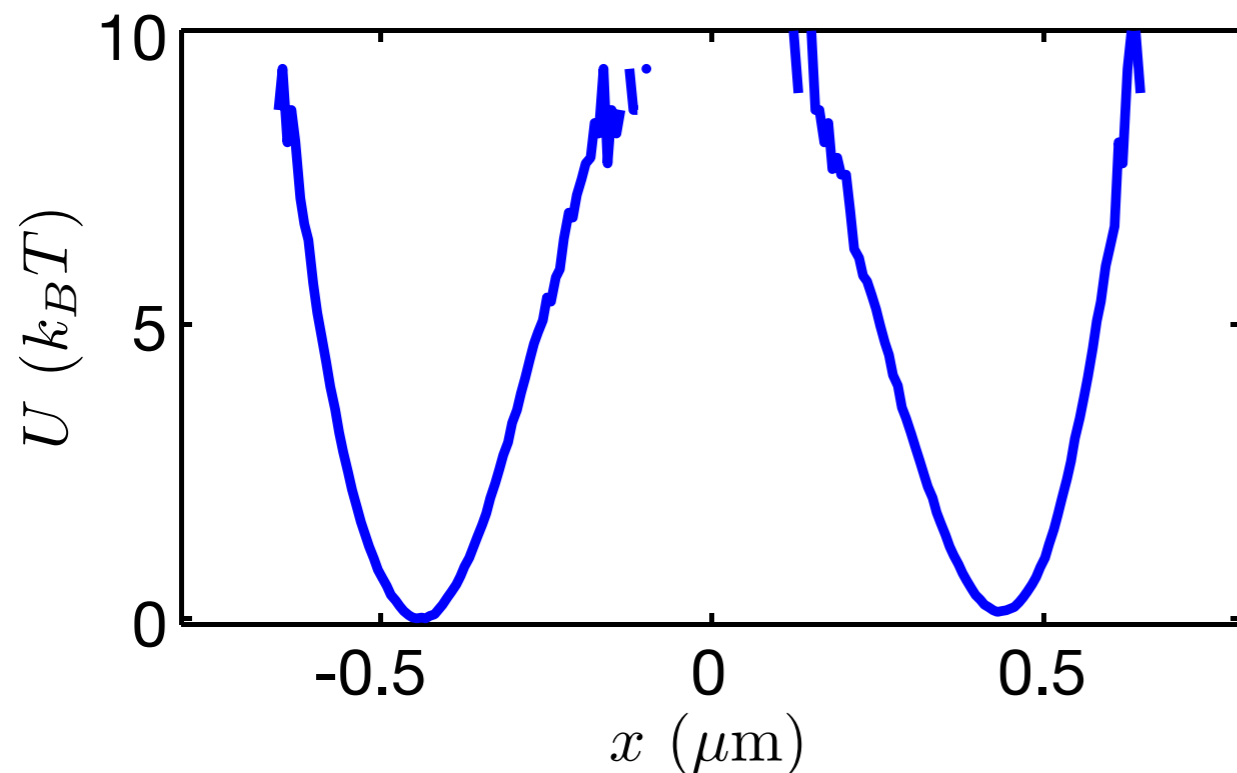
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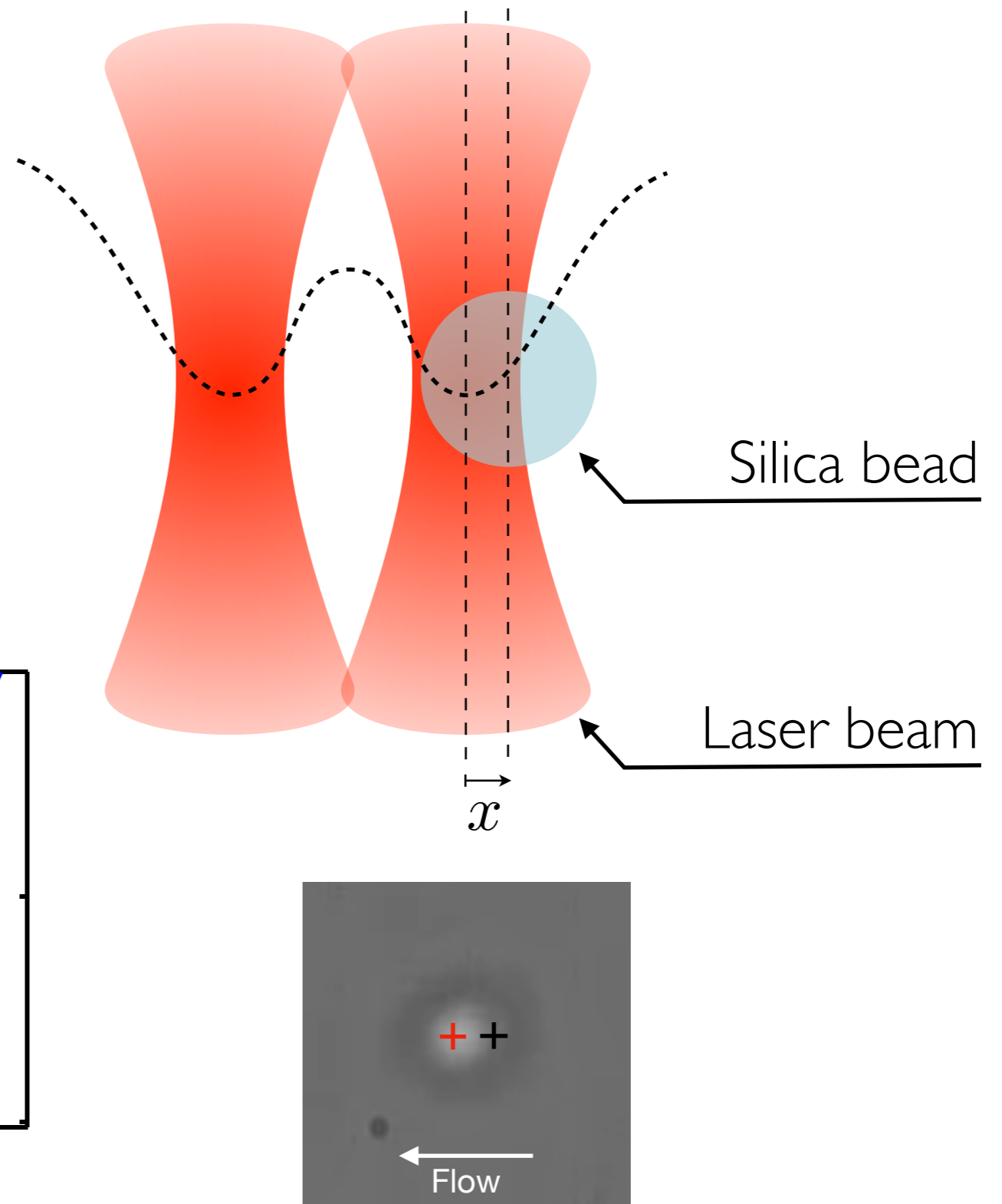
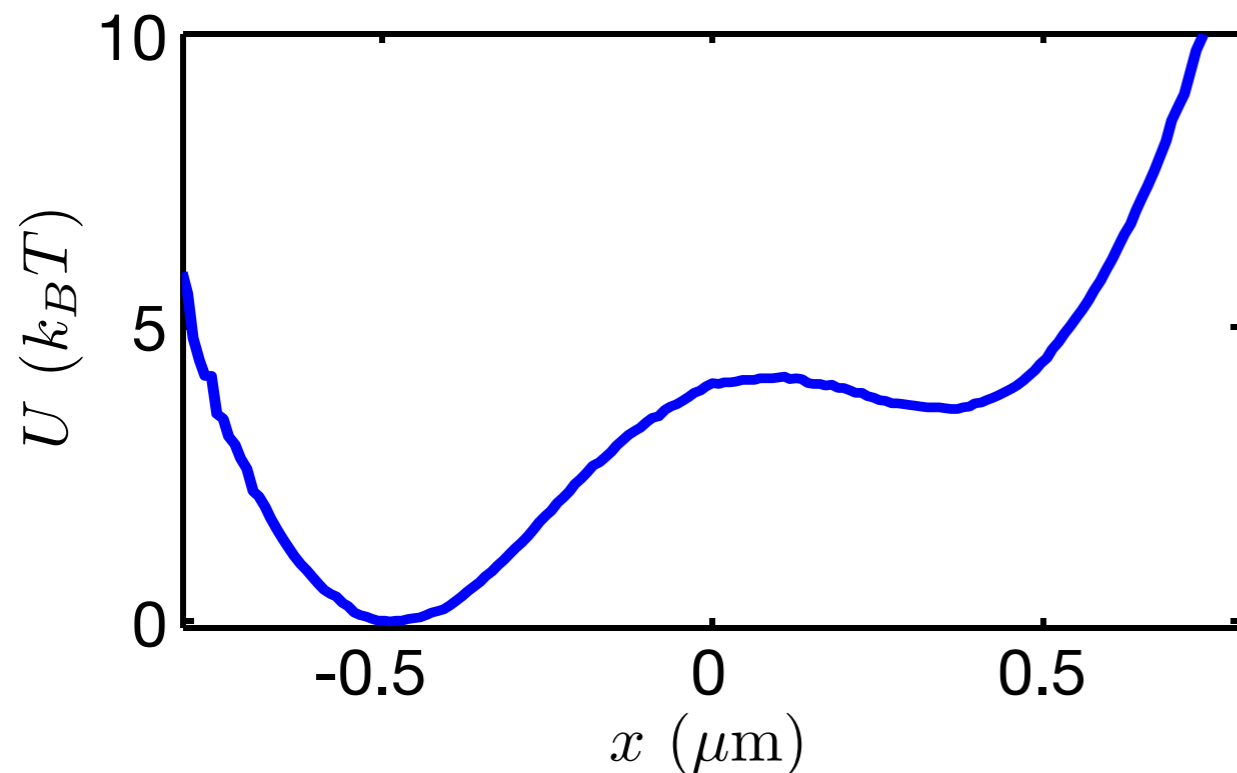


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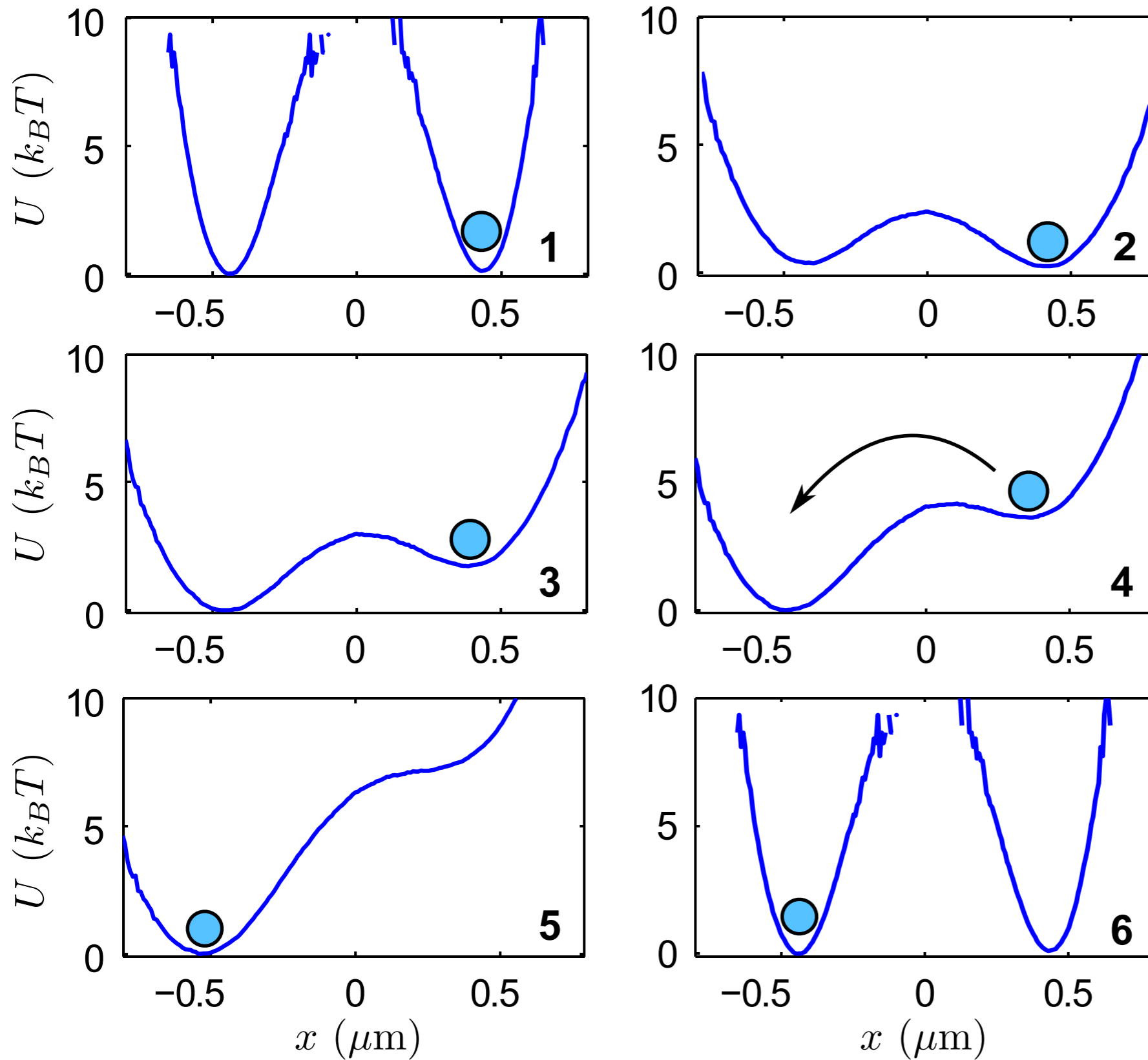
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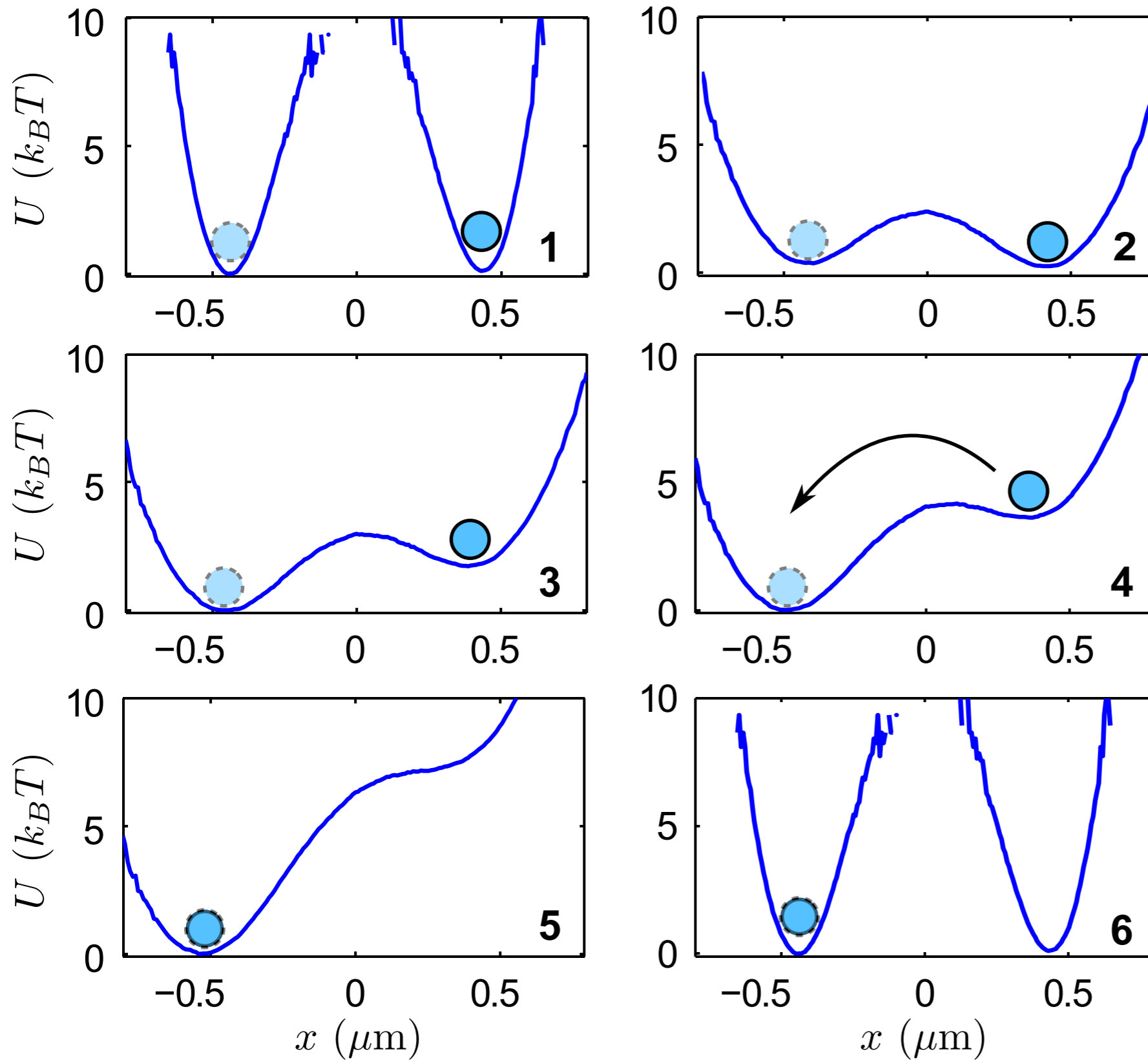
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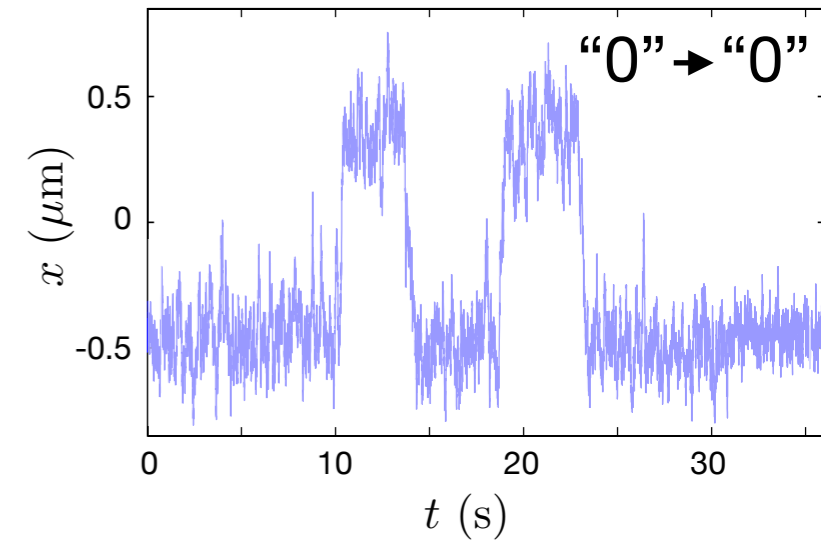
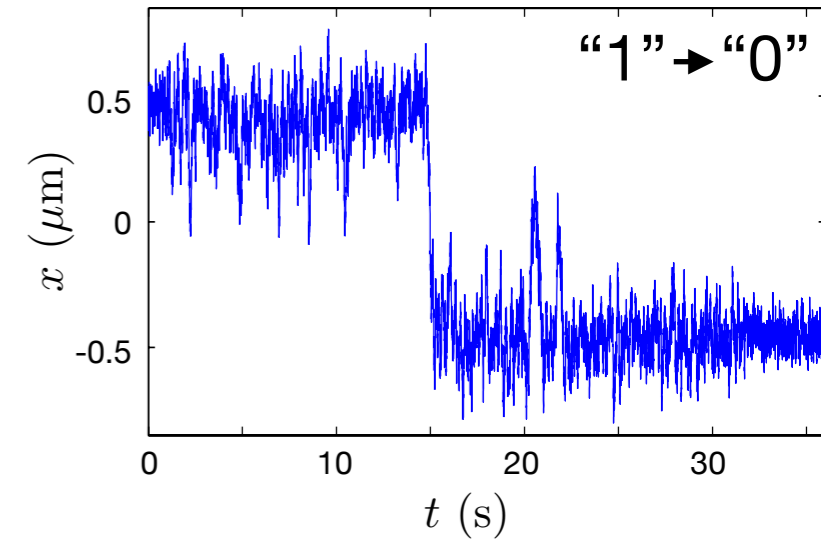
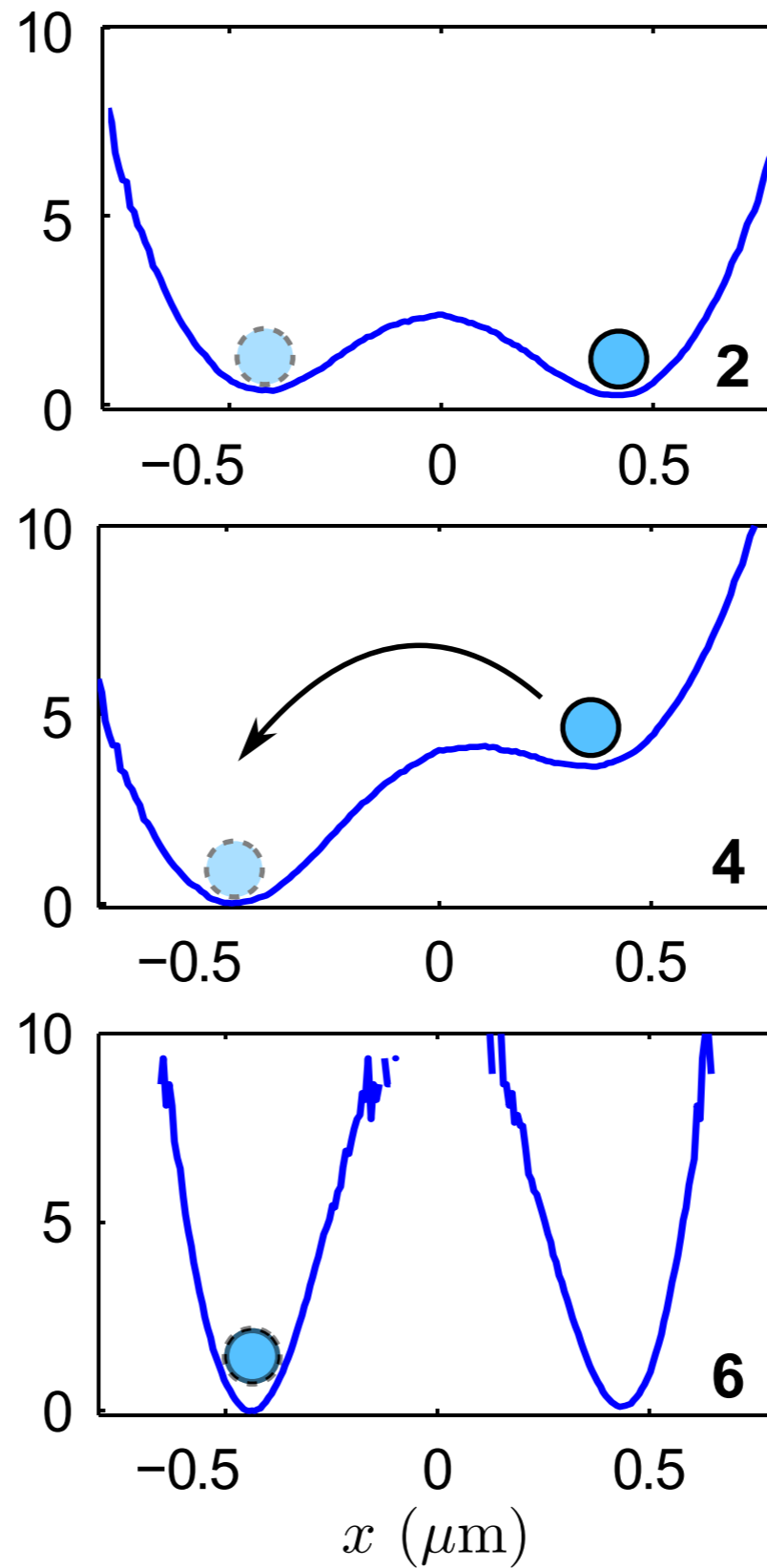
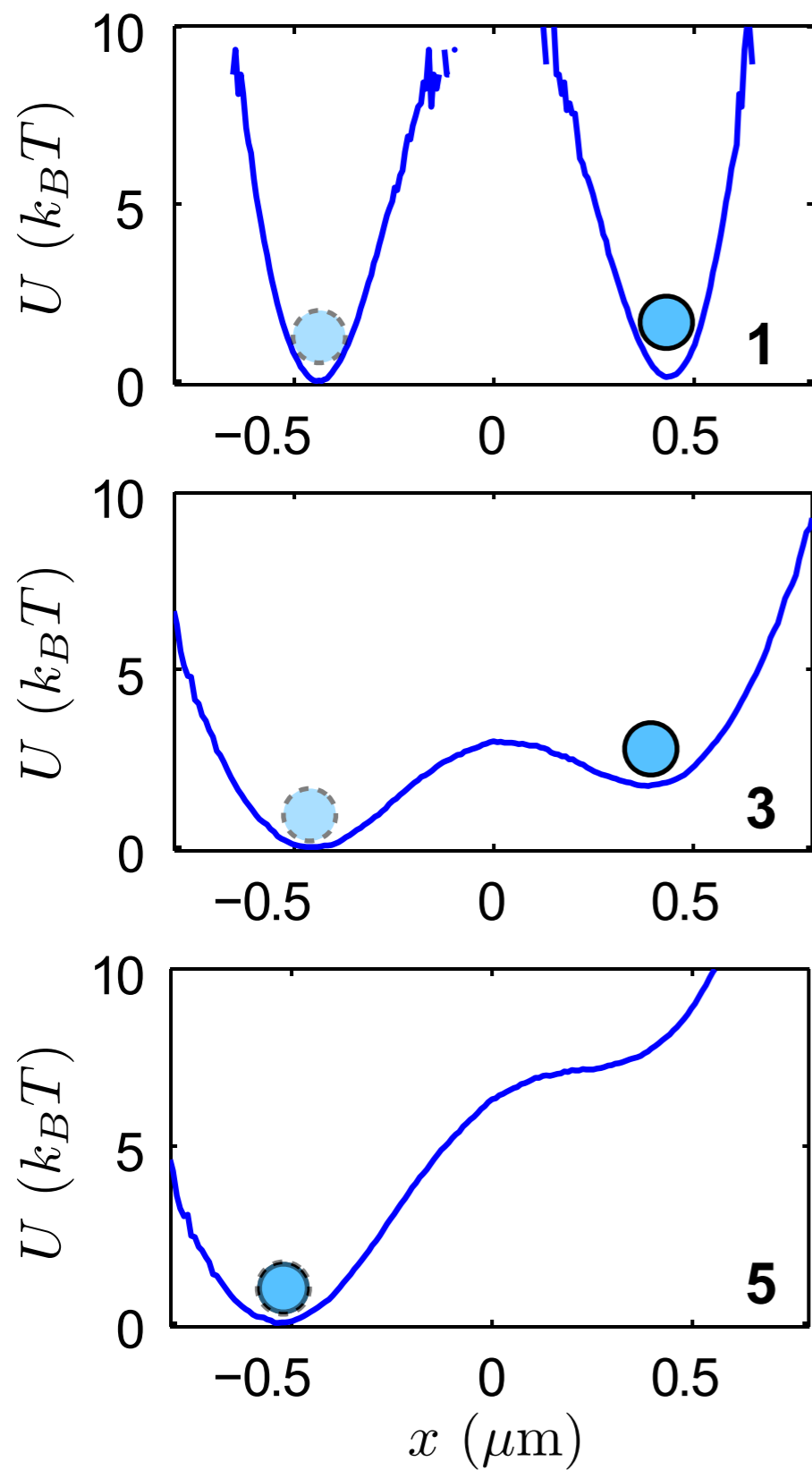
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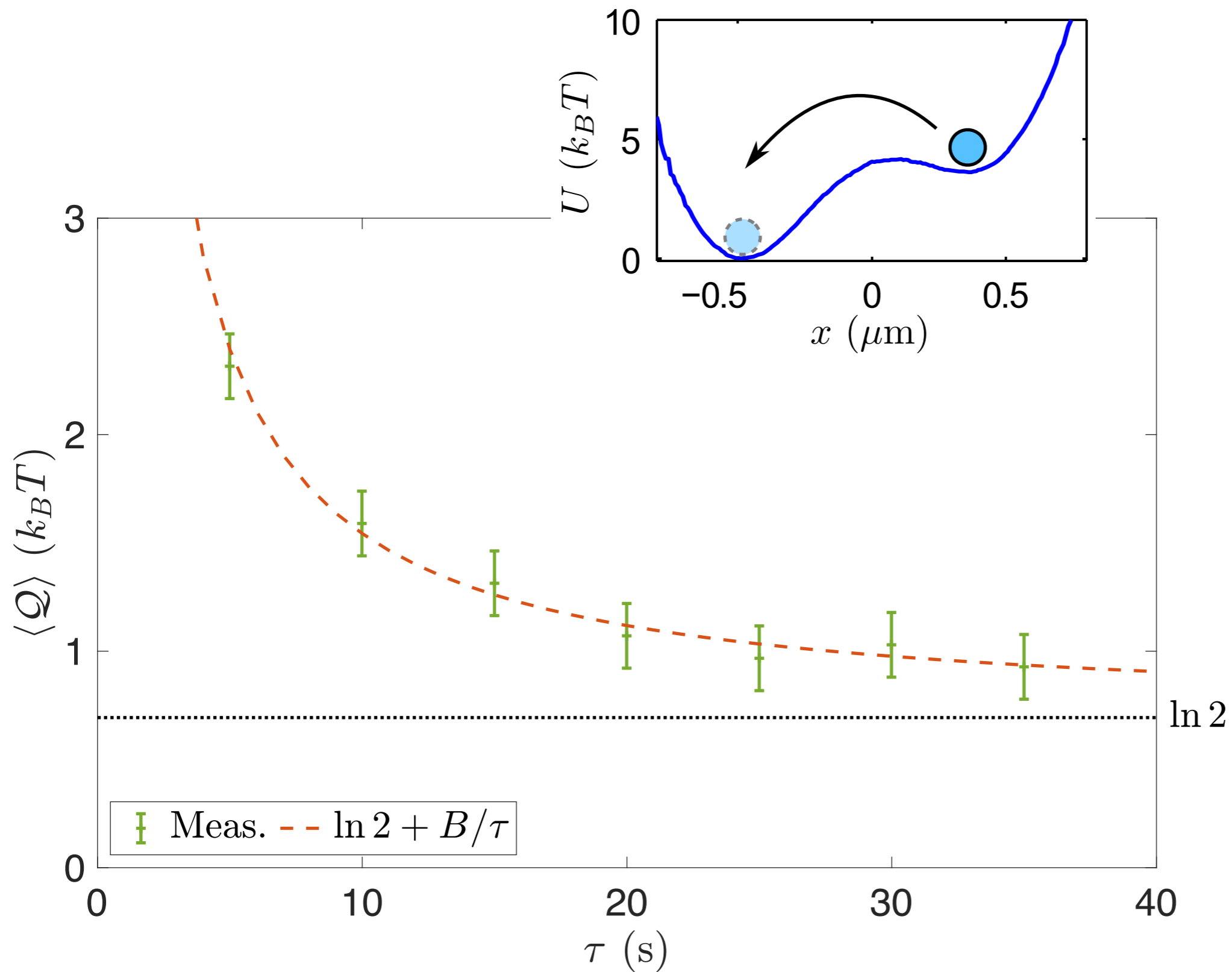


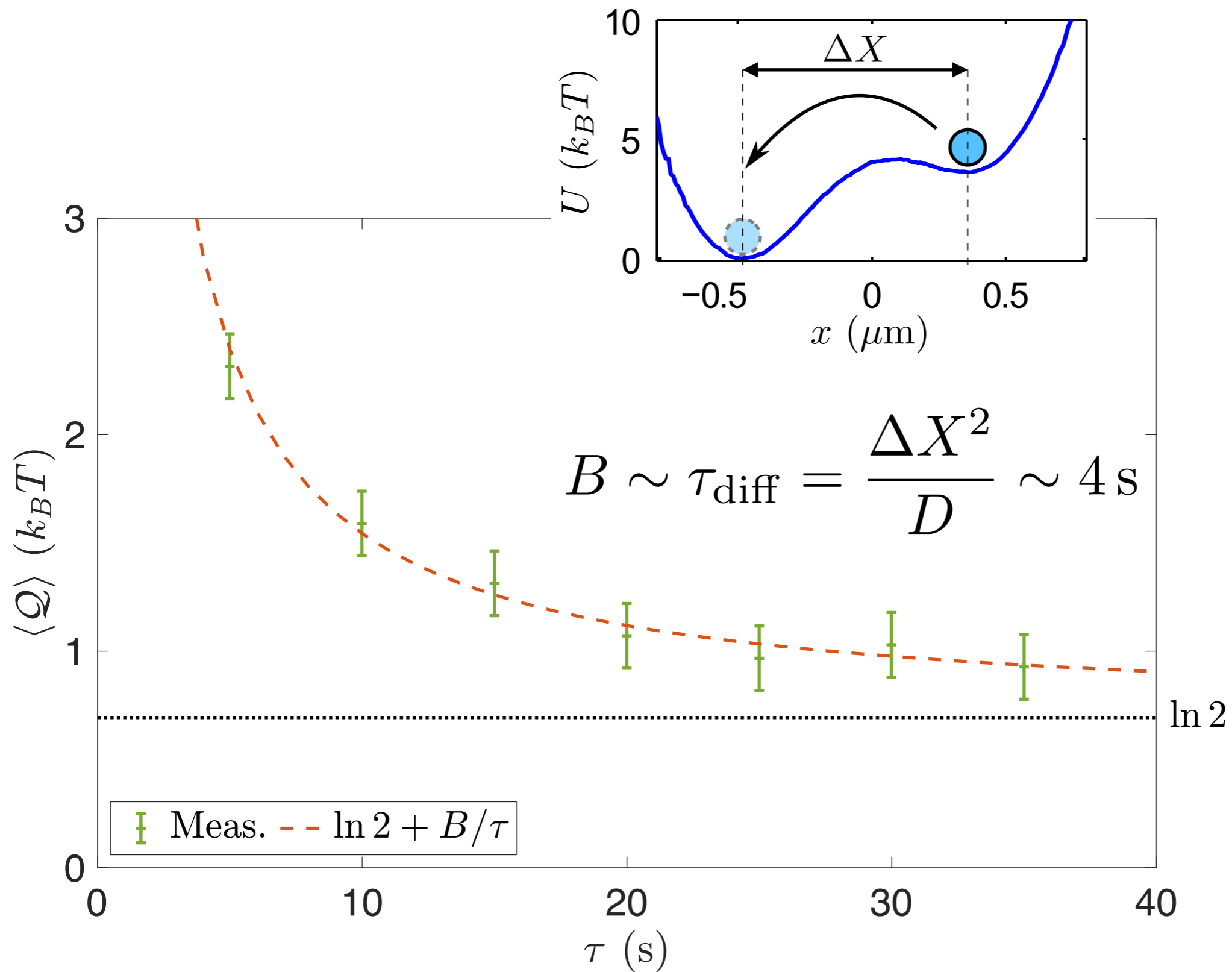
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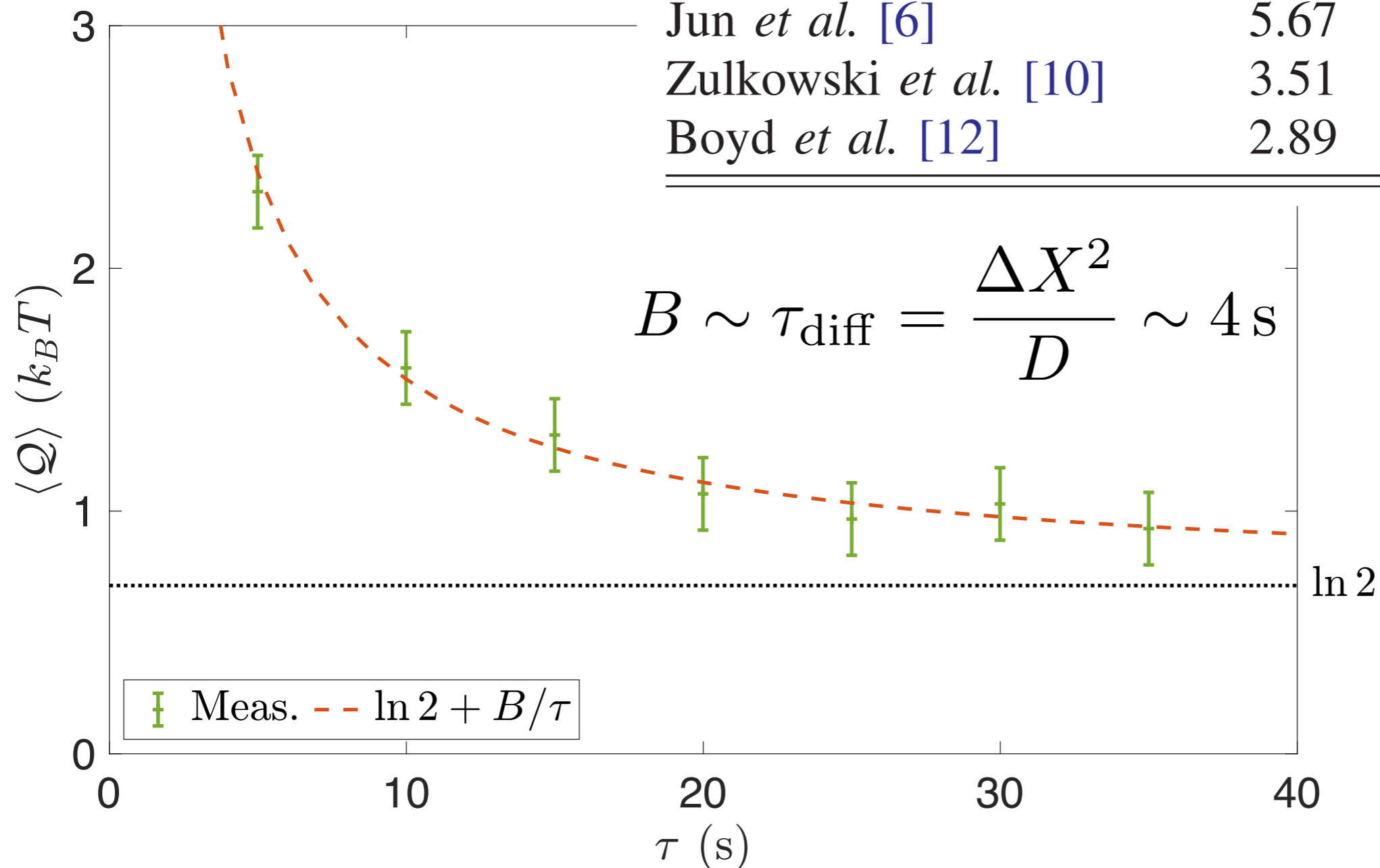
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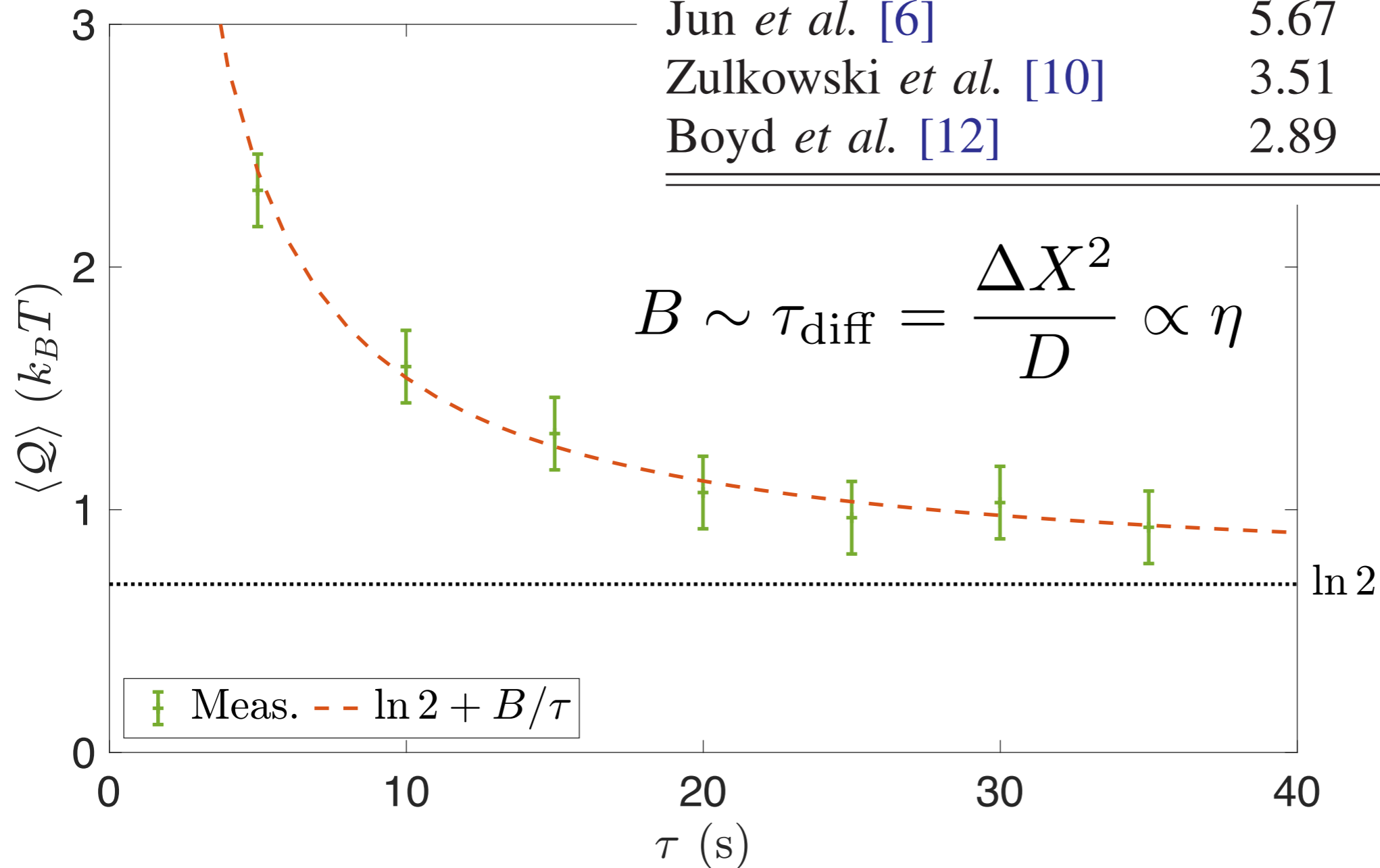




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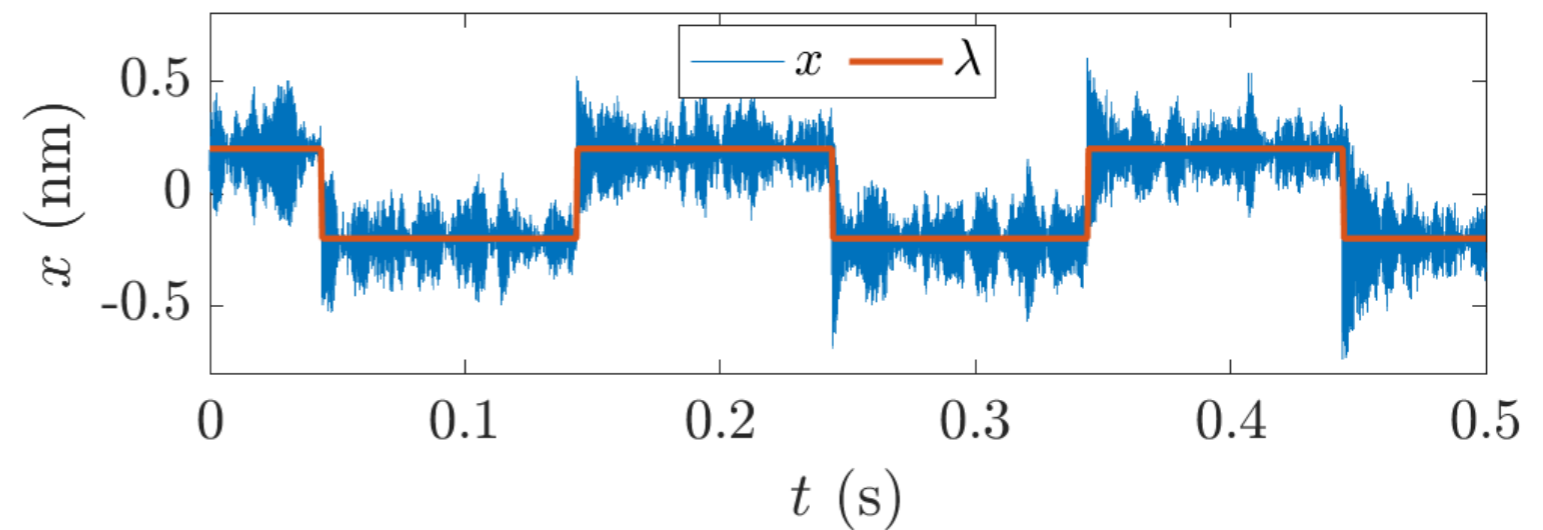


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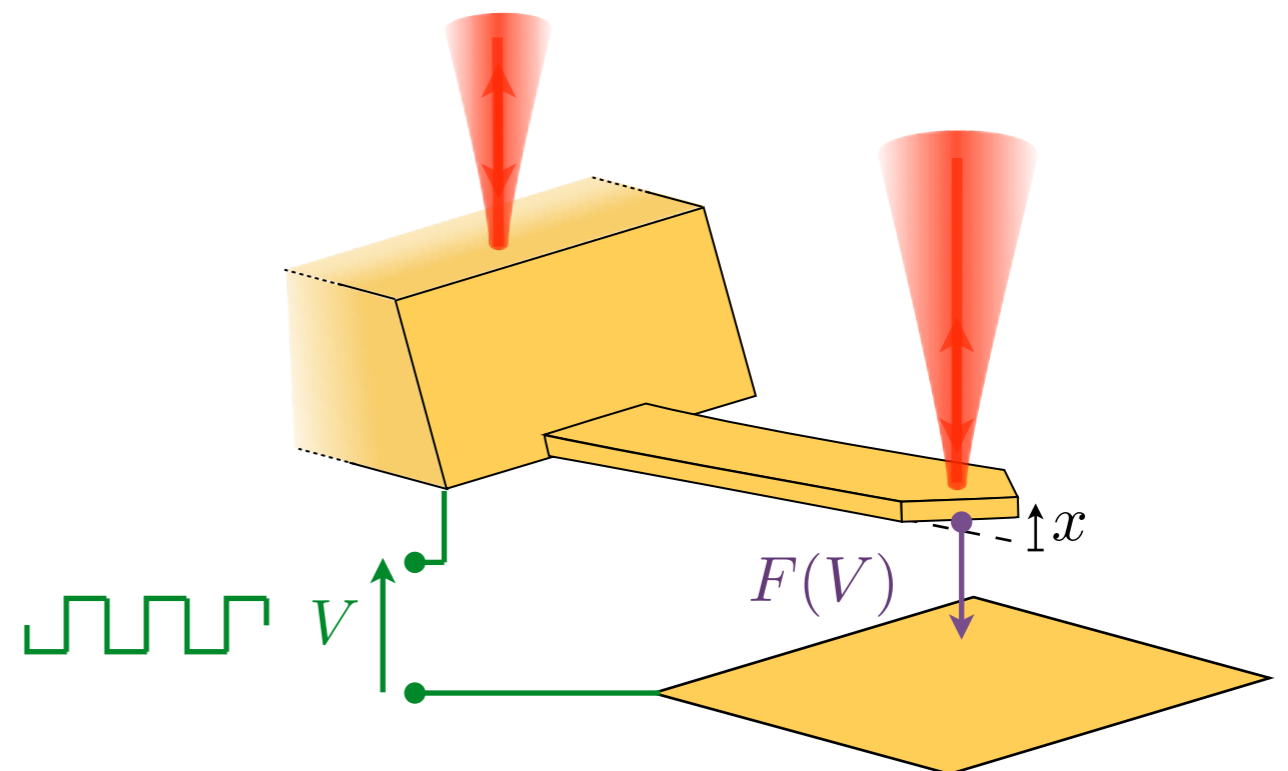
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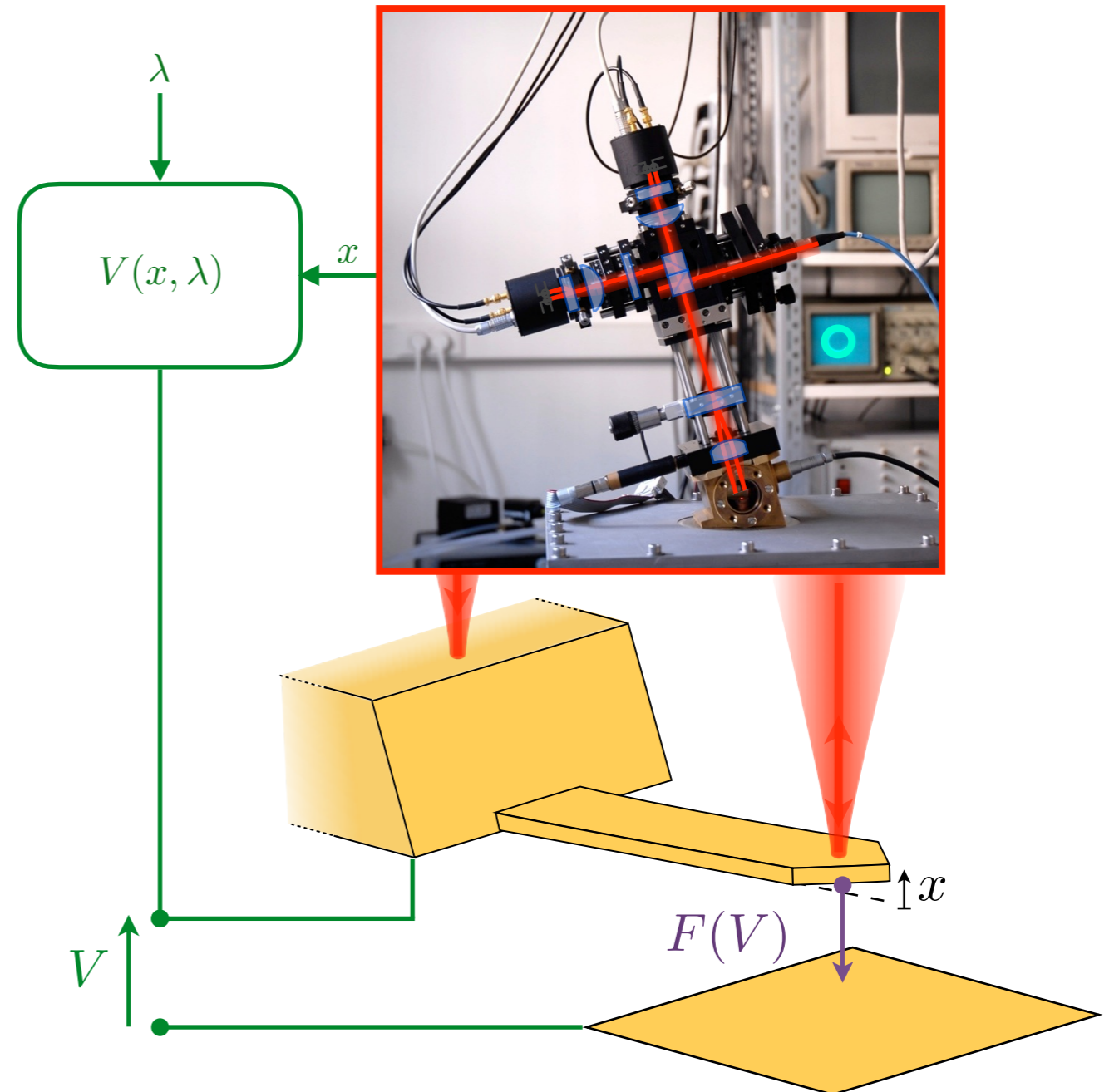
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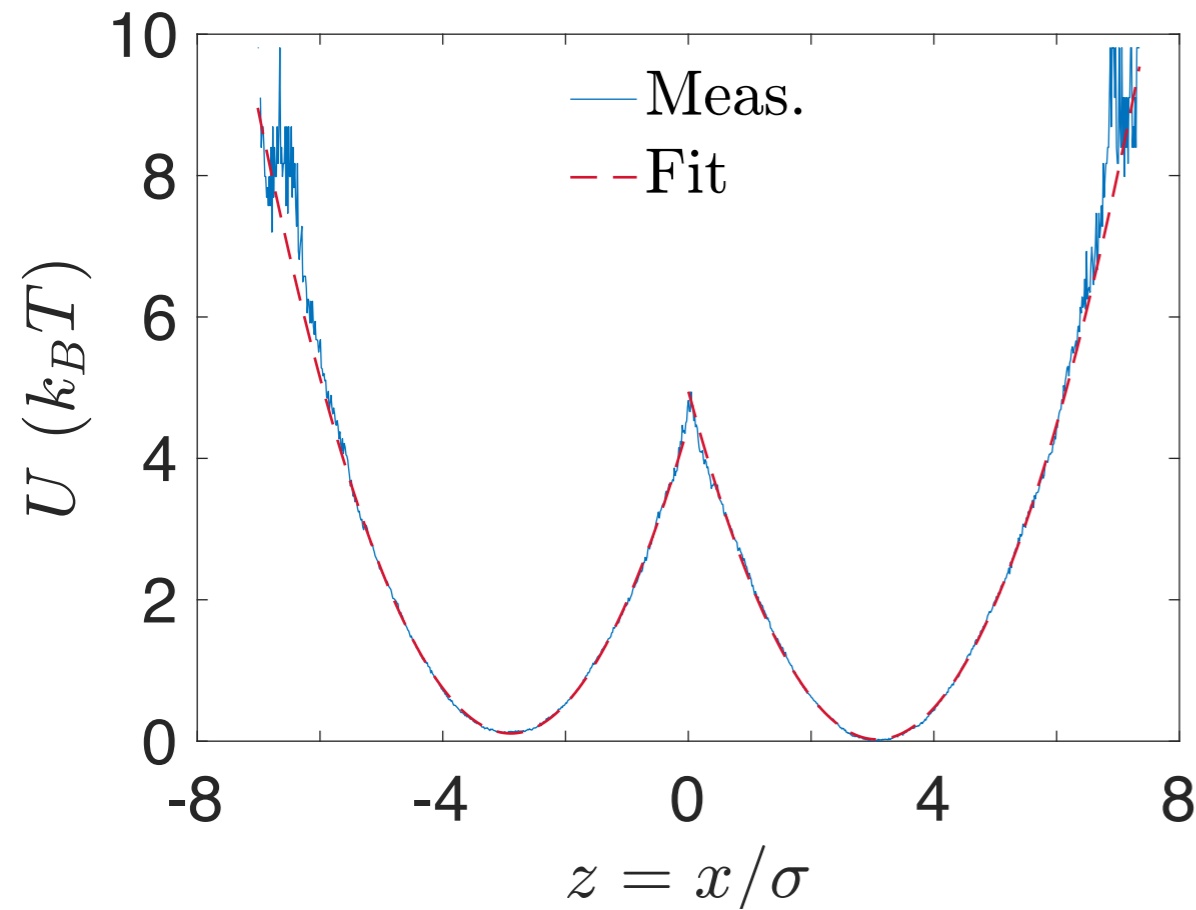
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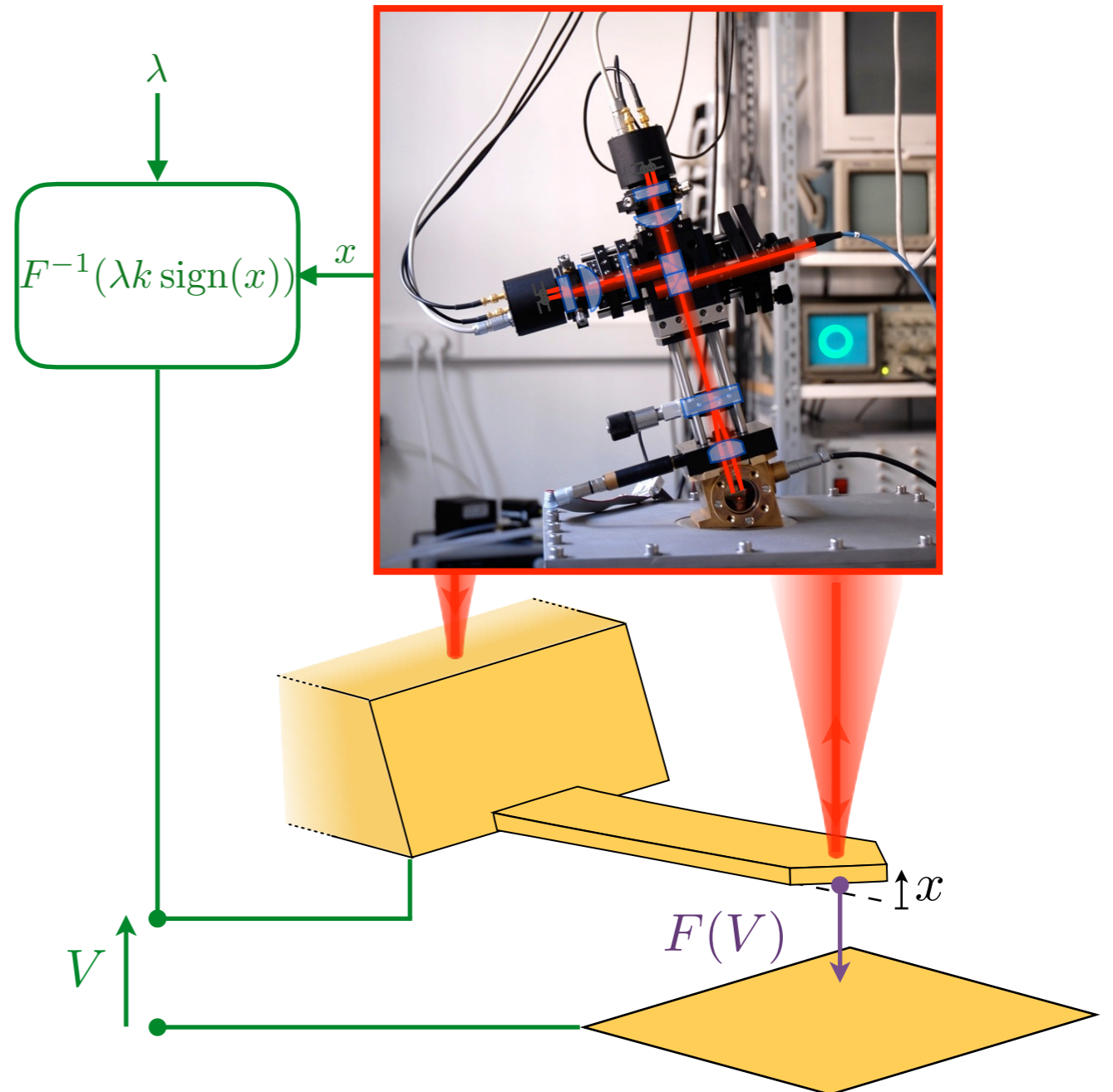
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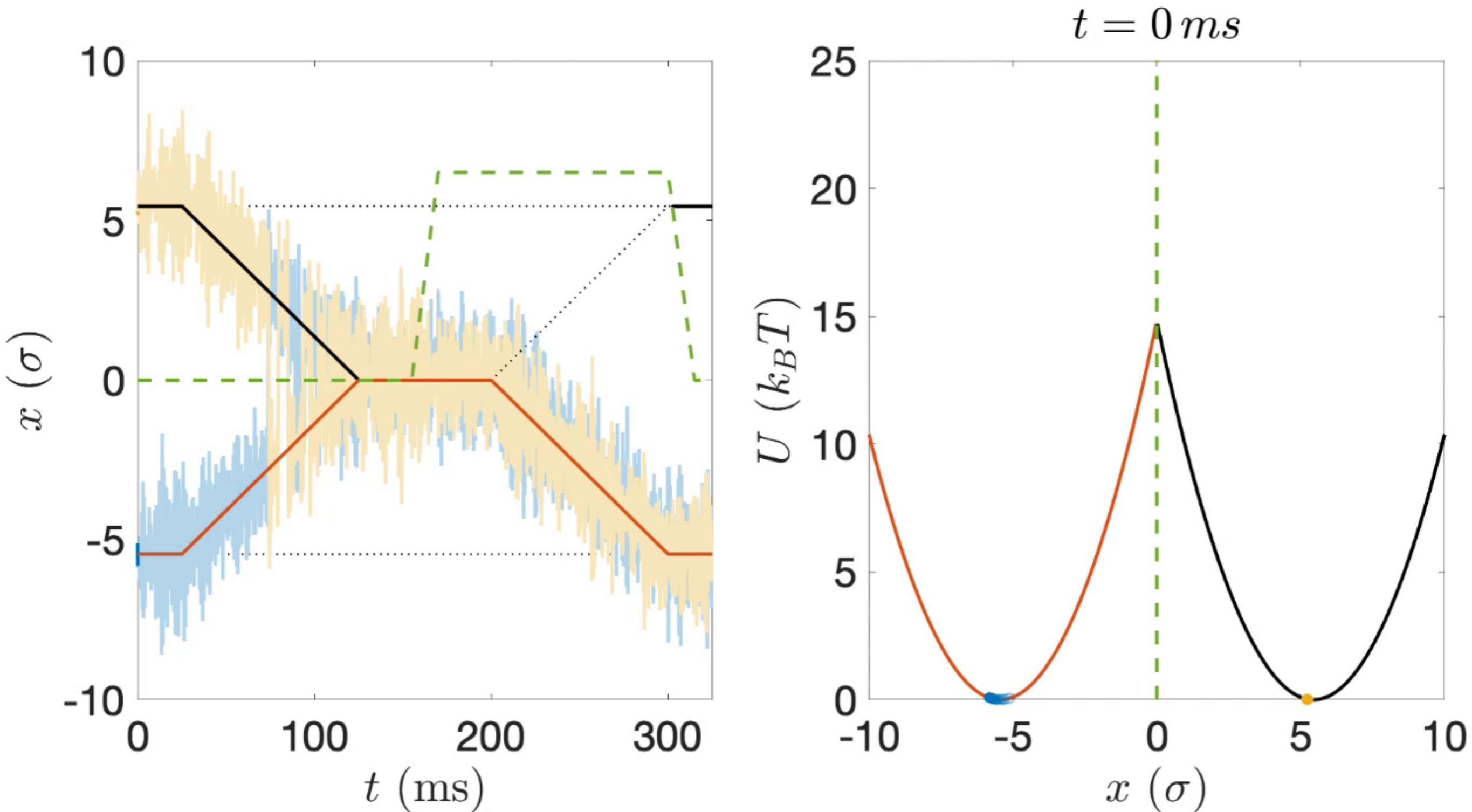
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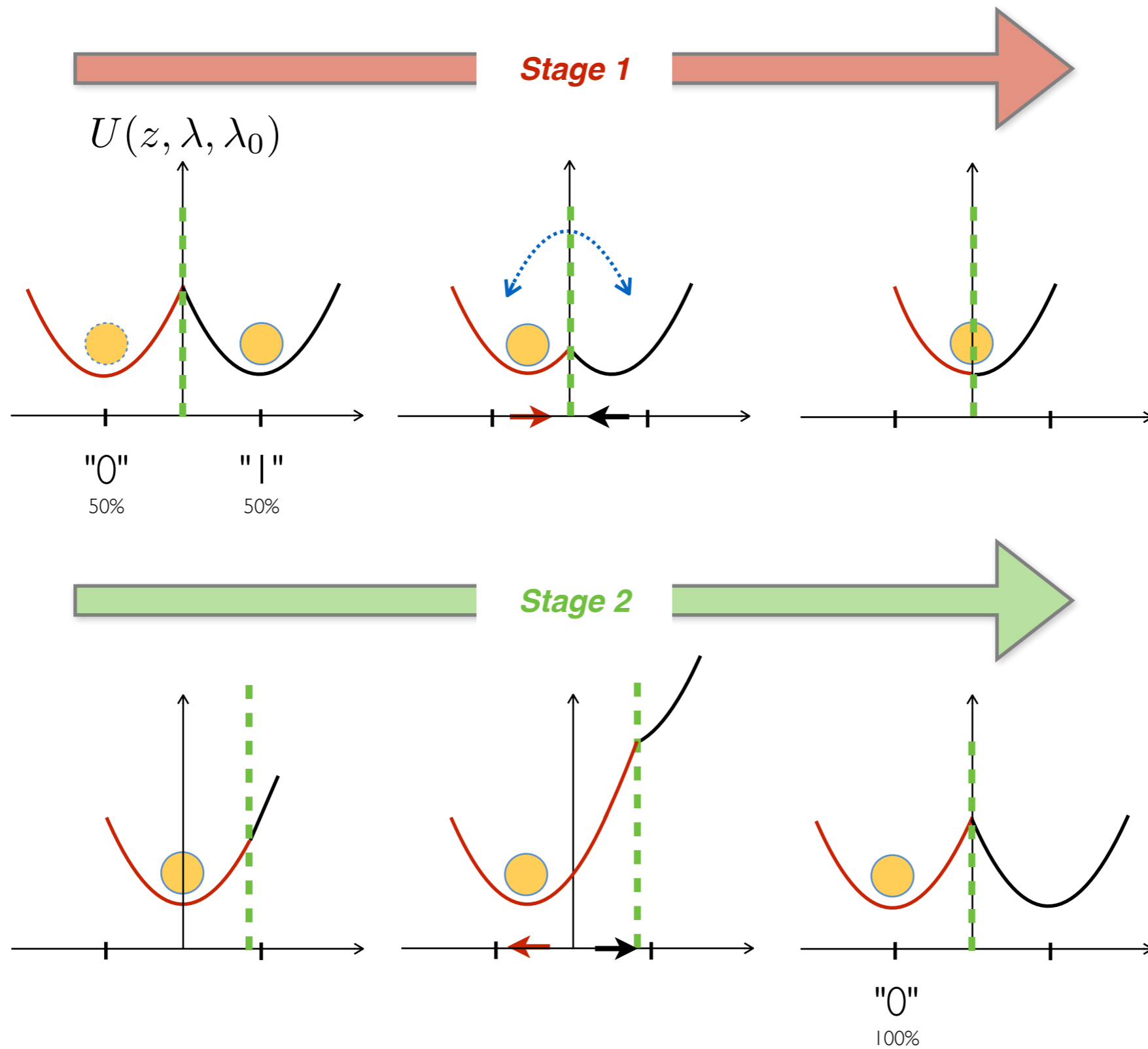


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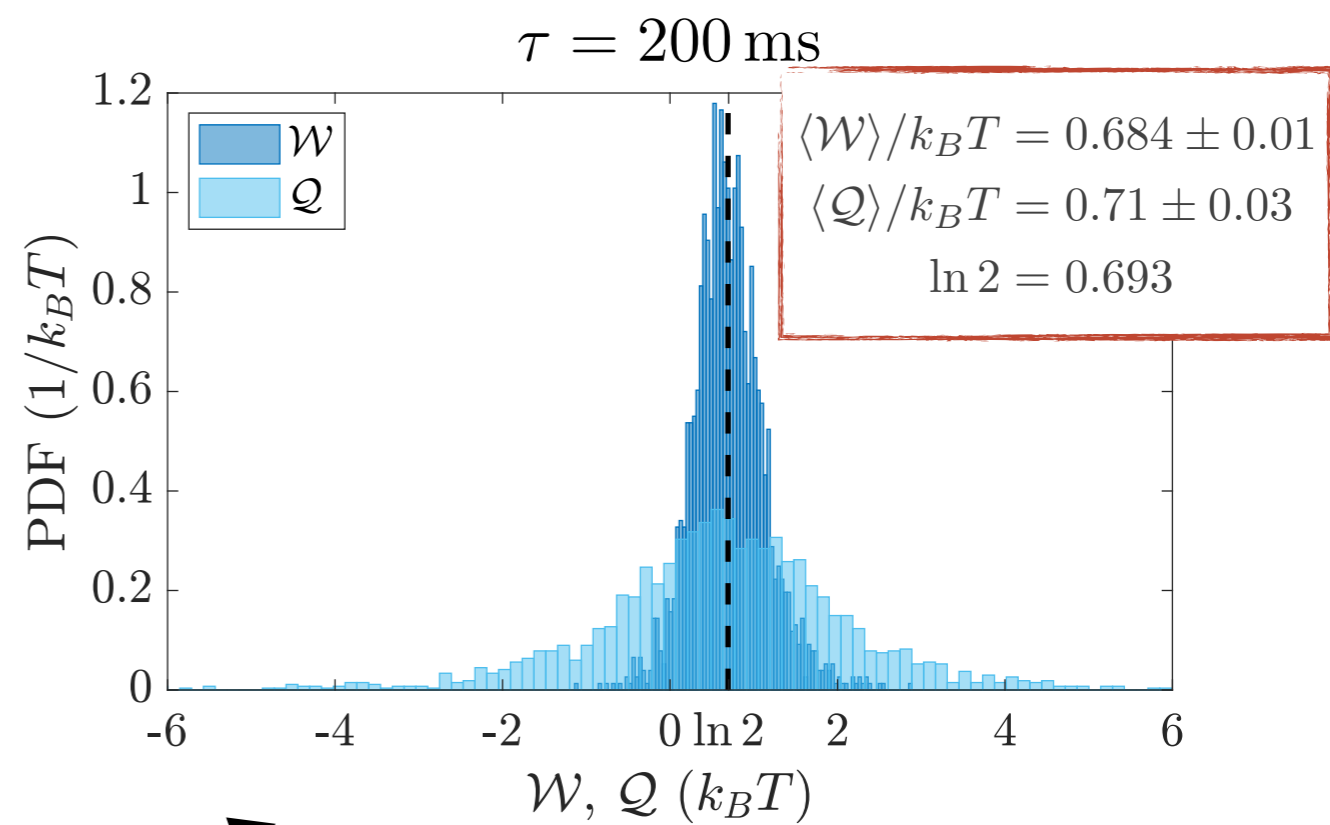
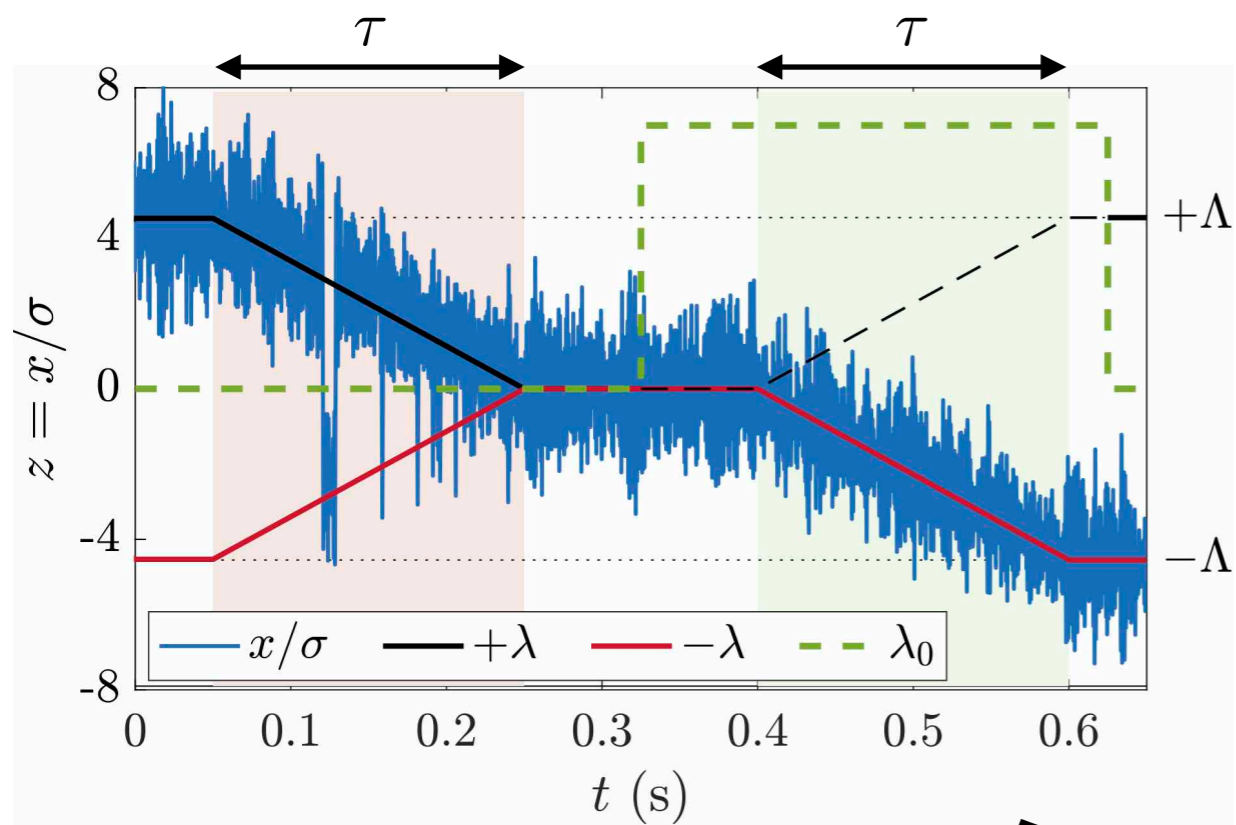
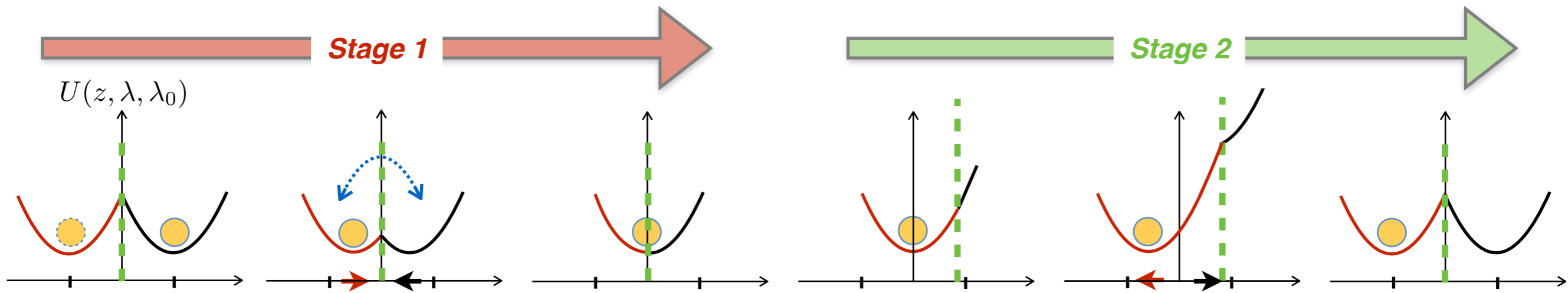
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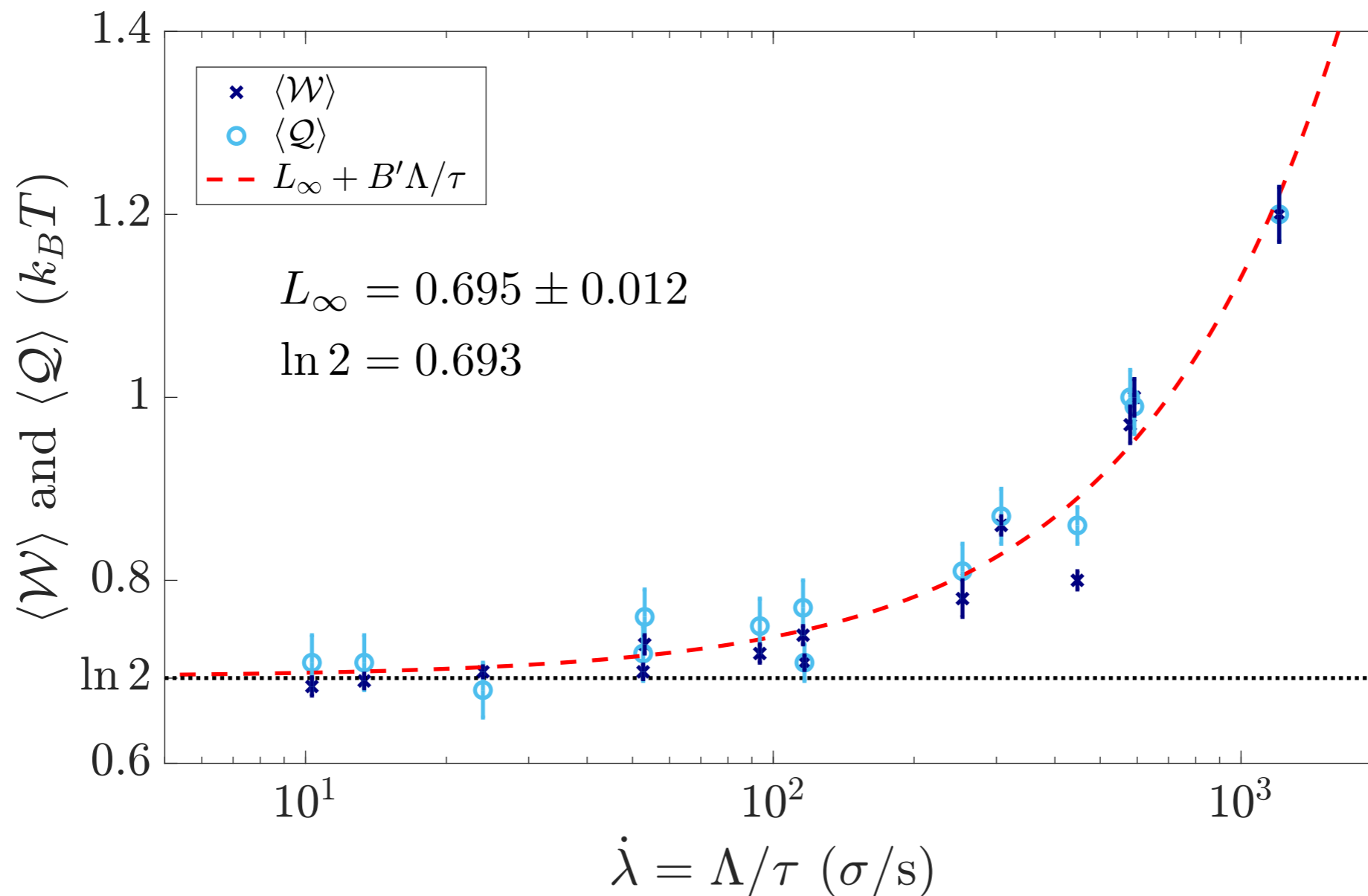


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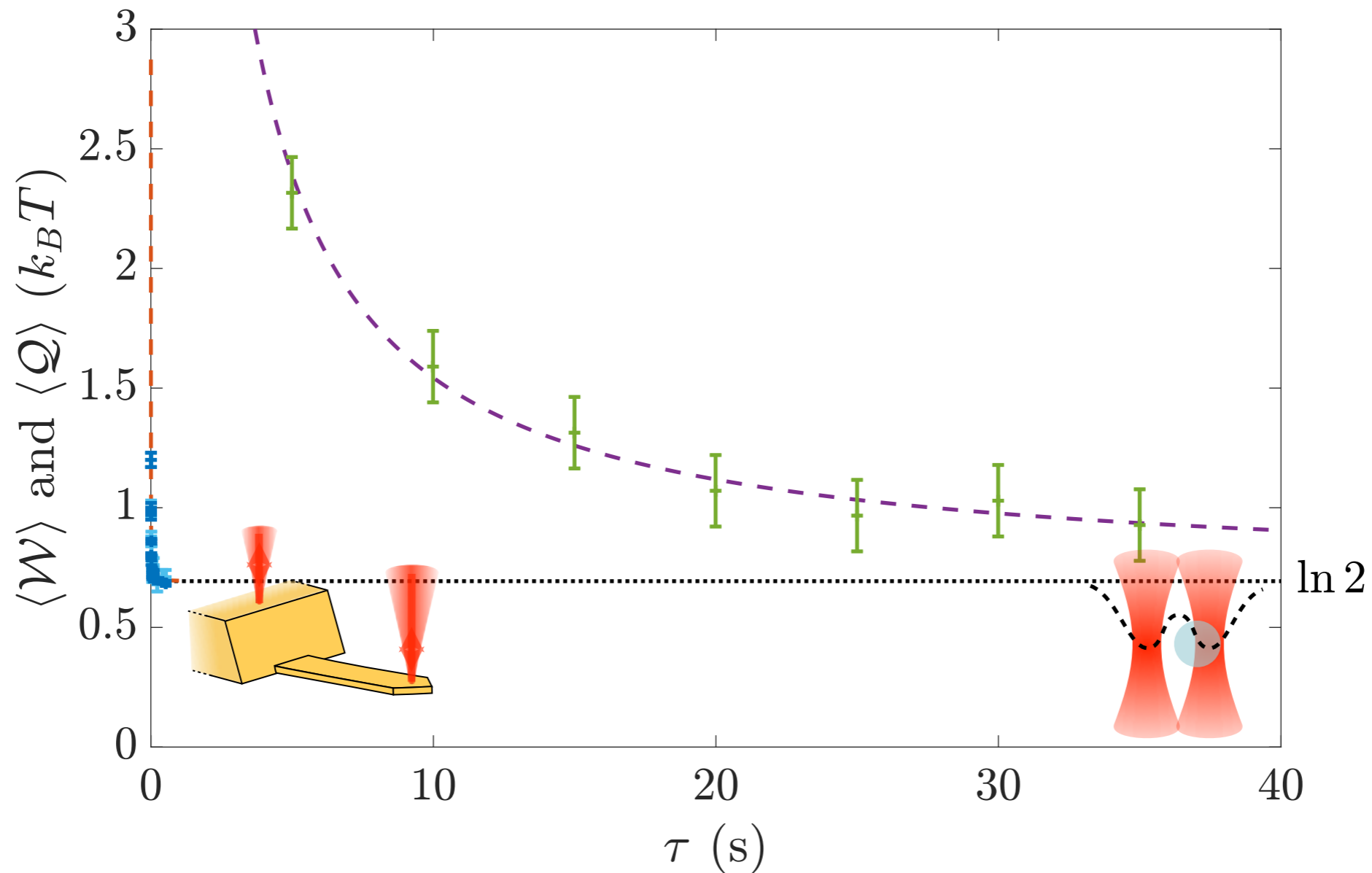


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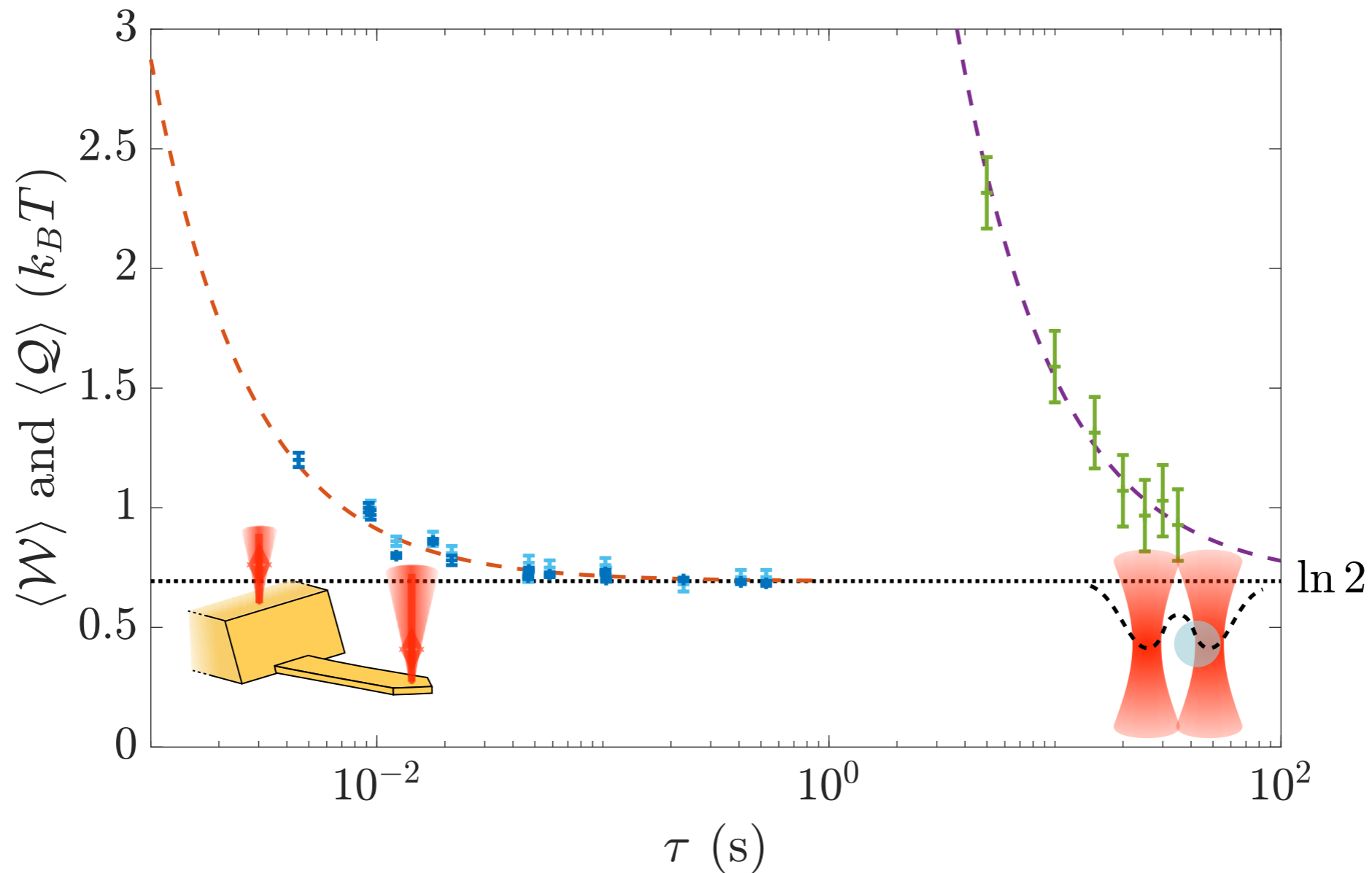
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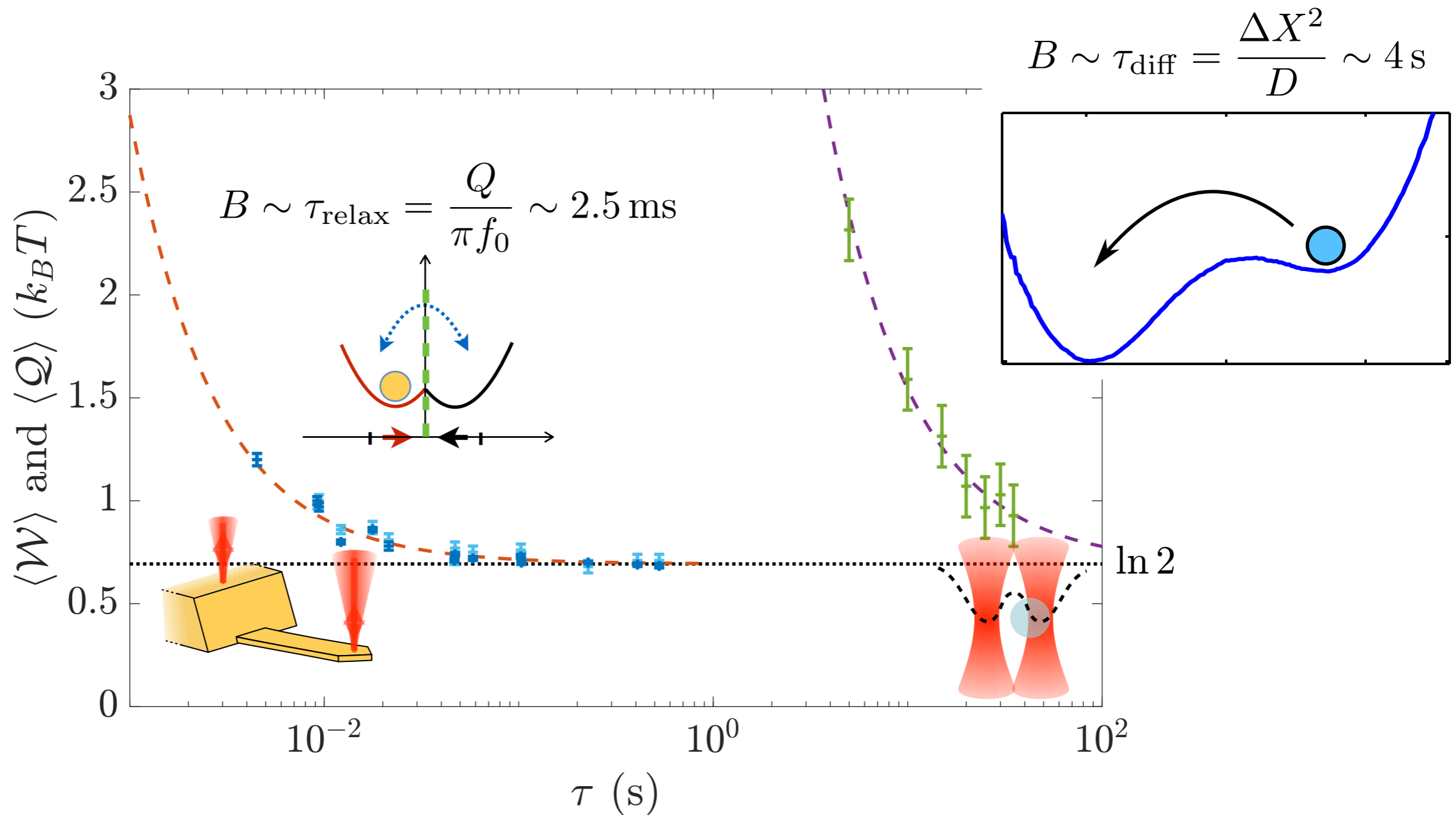


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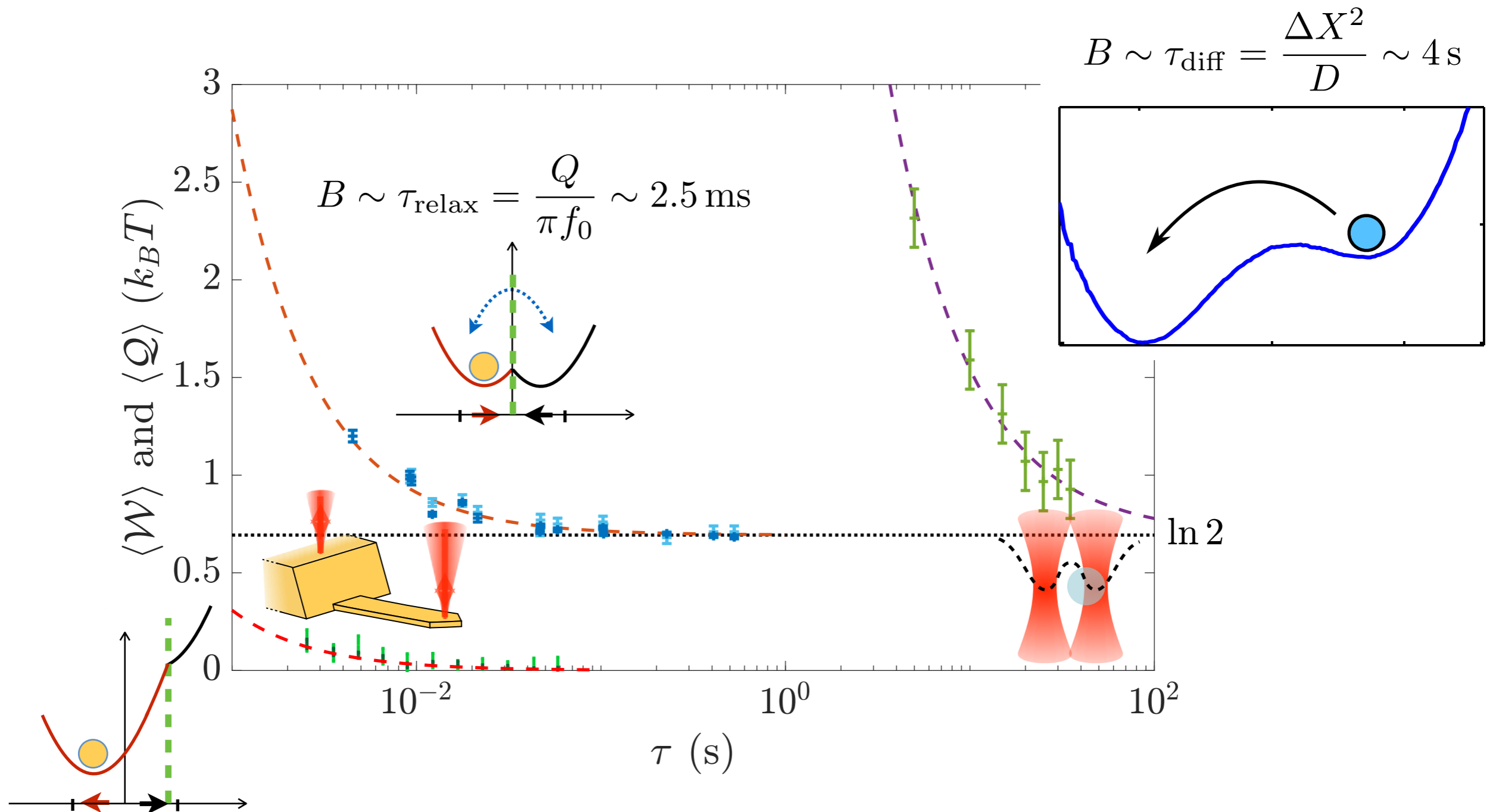
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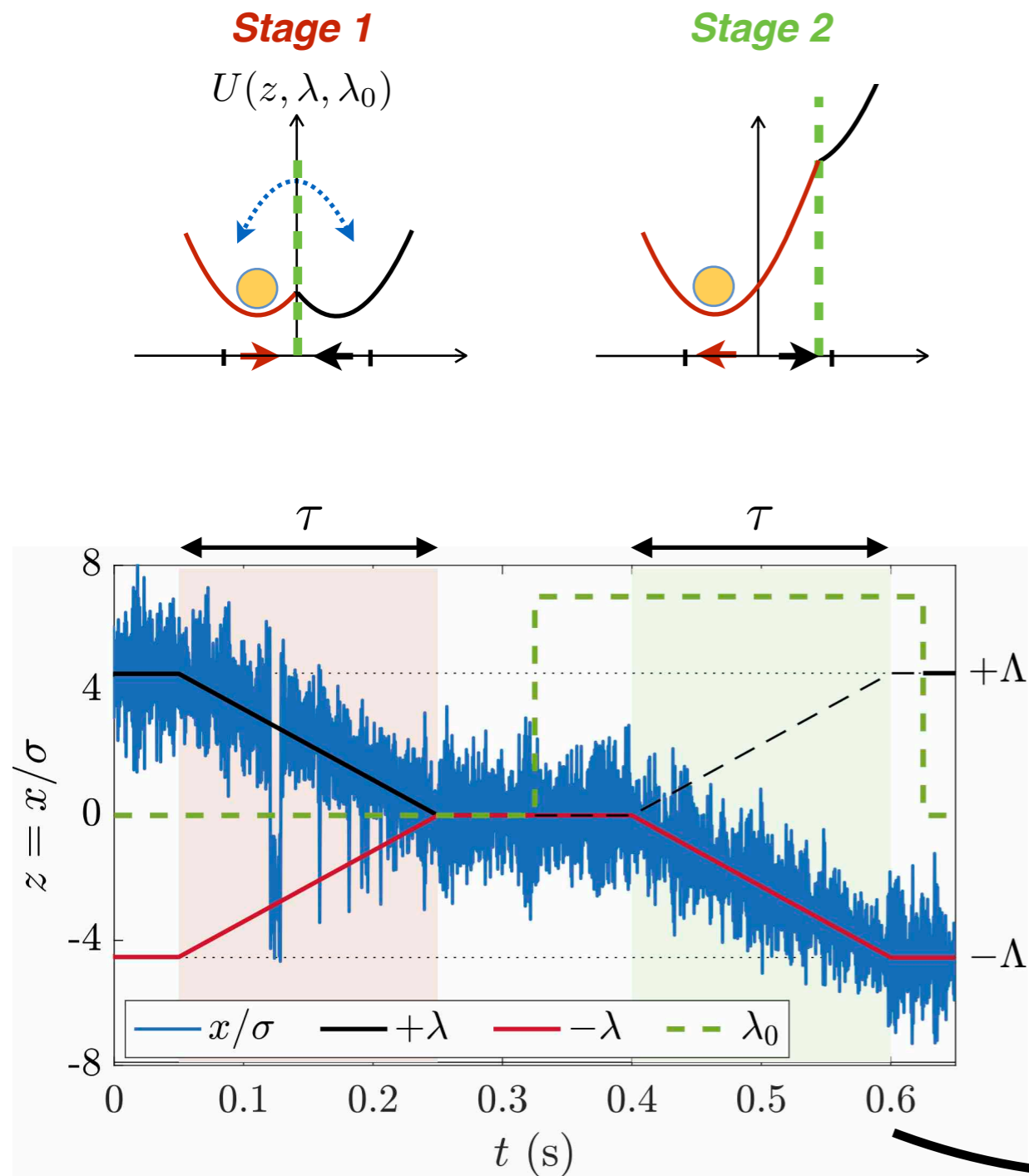
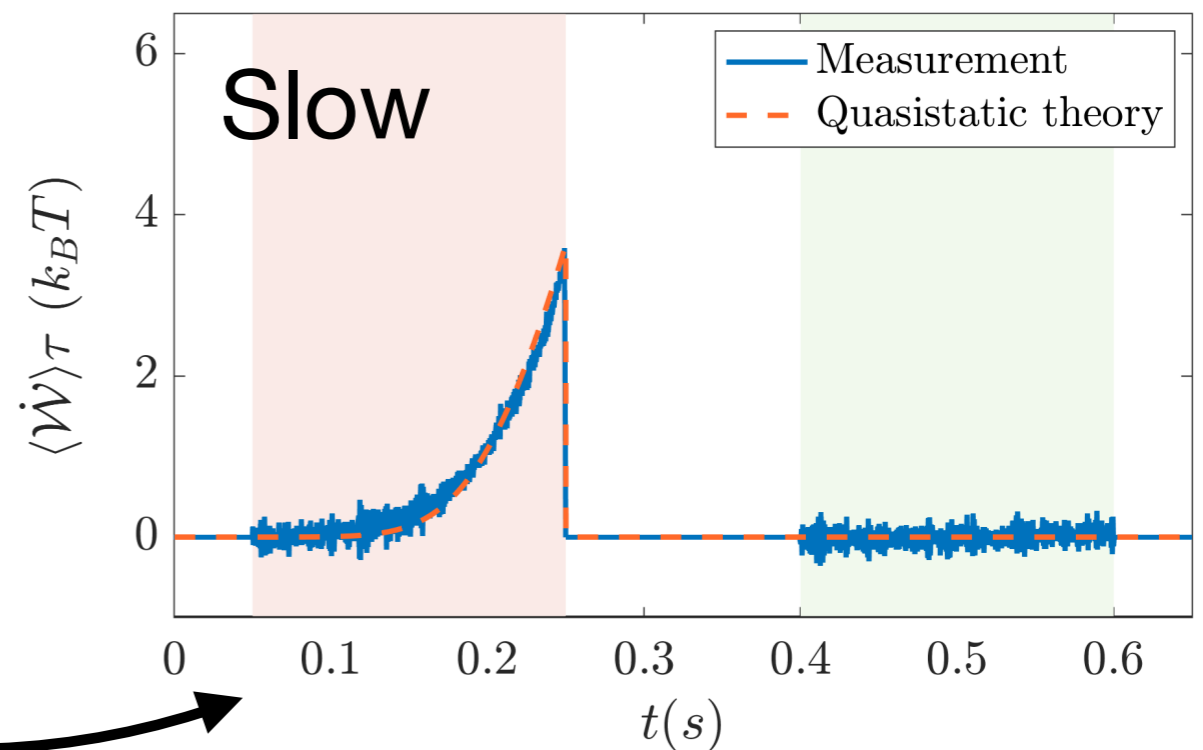
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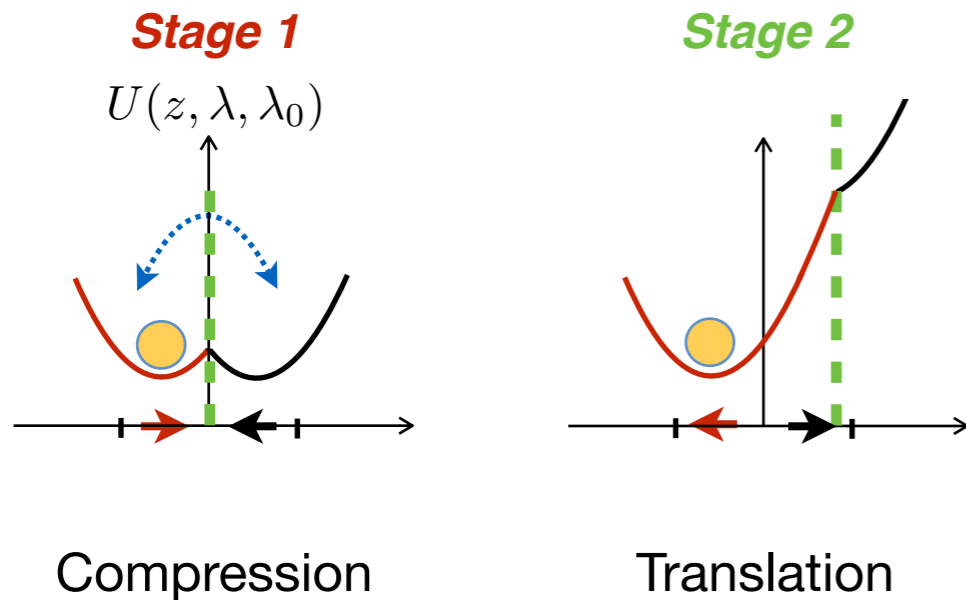
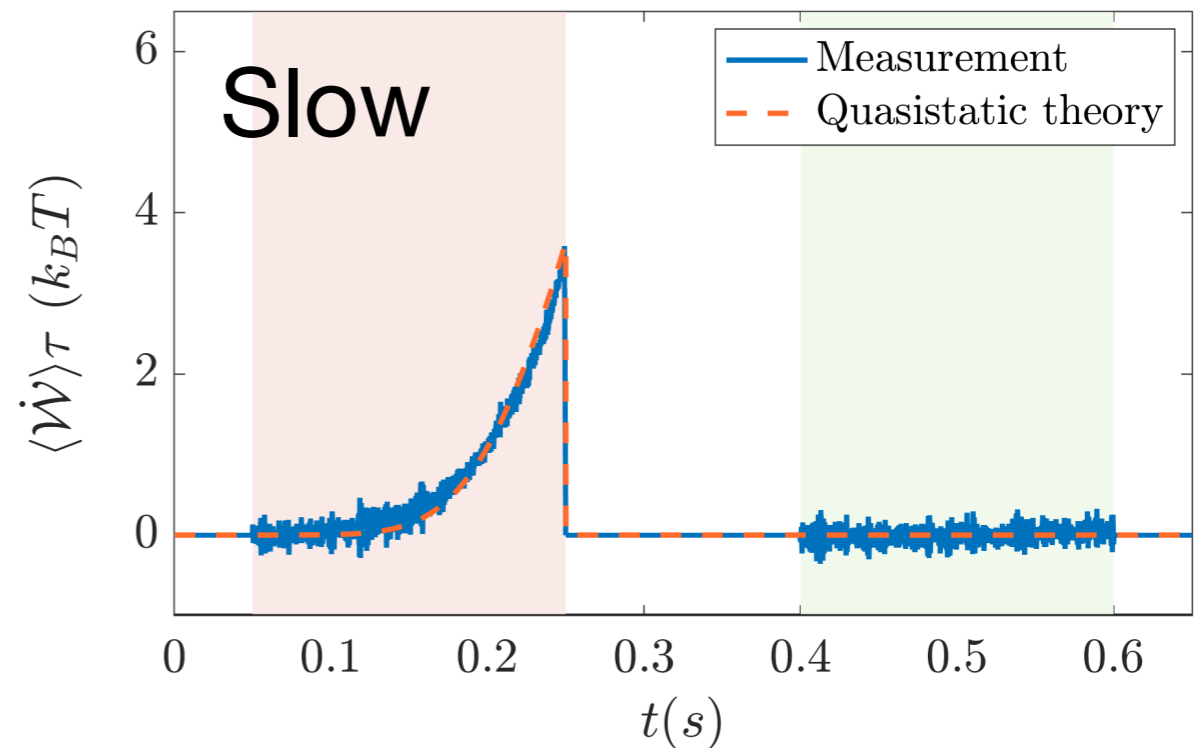
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$$p = k_B T / V$$

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$$= -k_B T d \ln V$$

$$V = V_0 \rightarrow V_0 / 2$$

$$\delta \mathcal{W} = 0$$

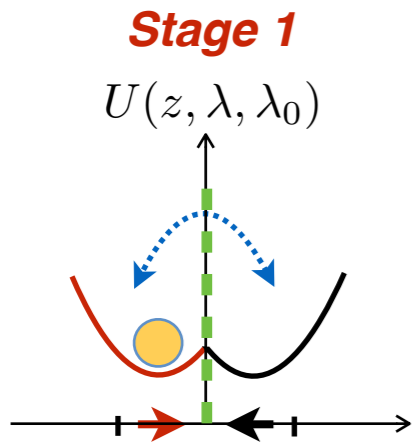
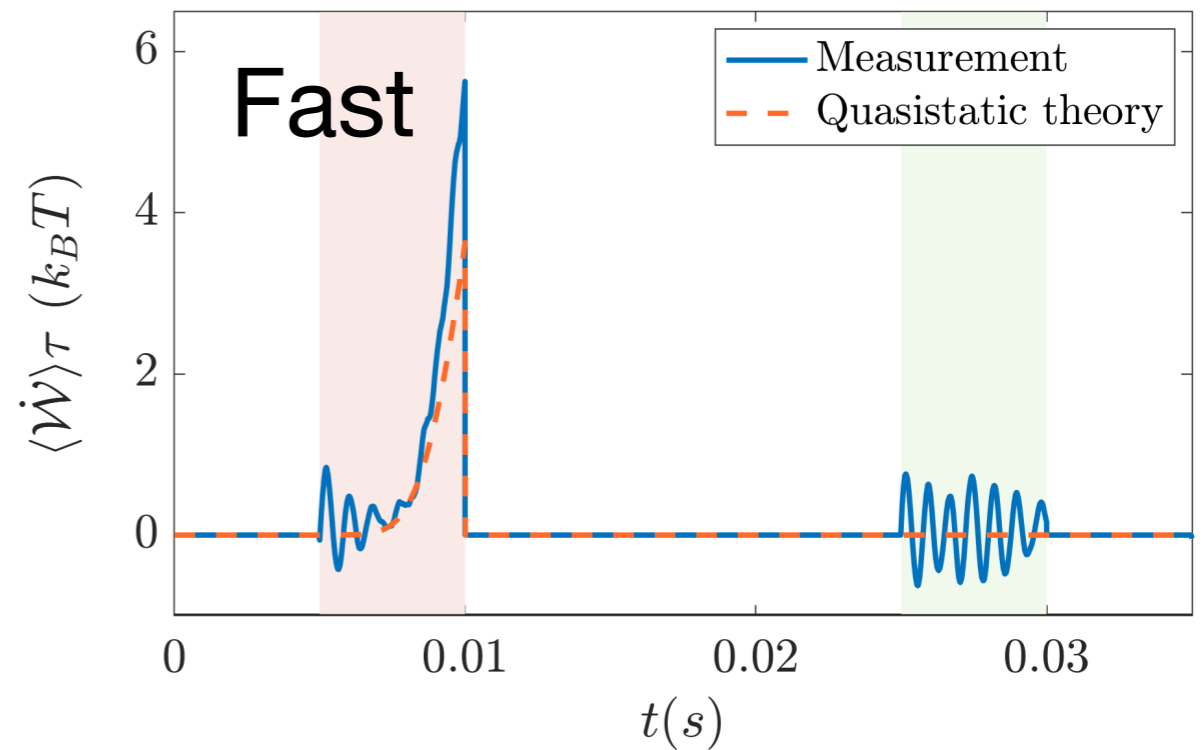
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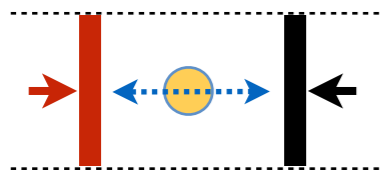
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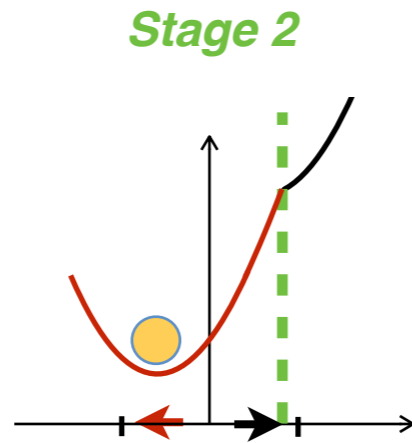


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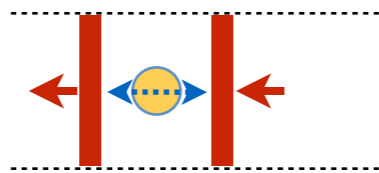
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Translation



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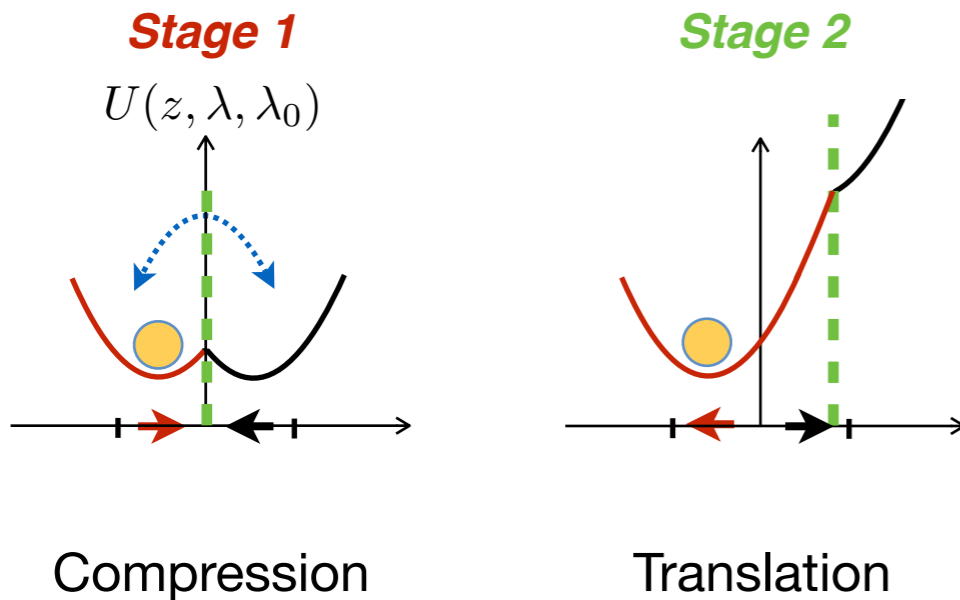
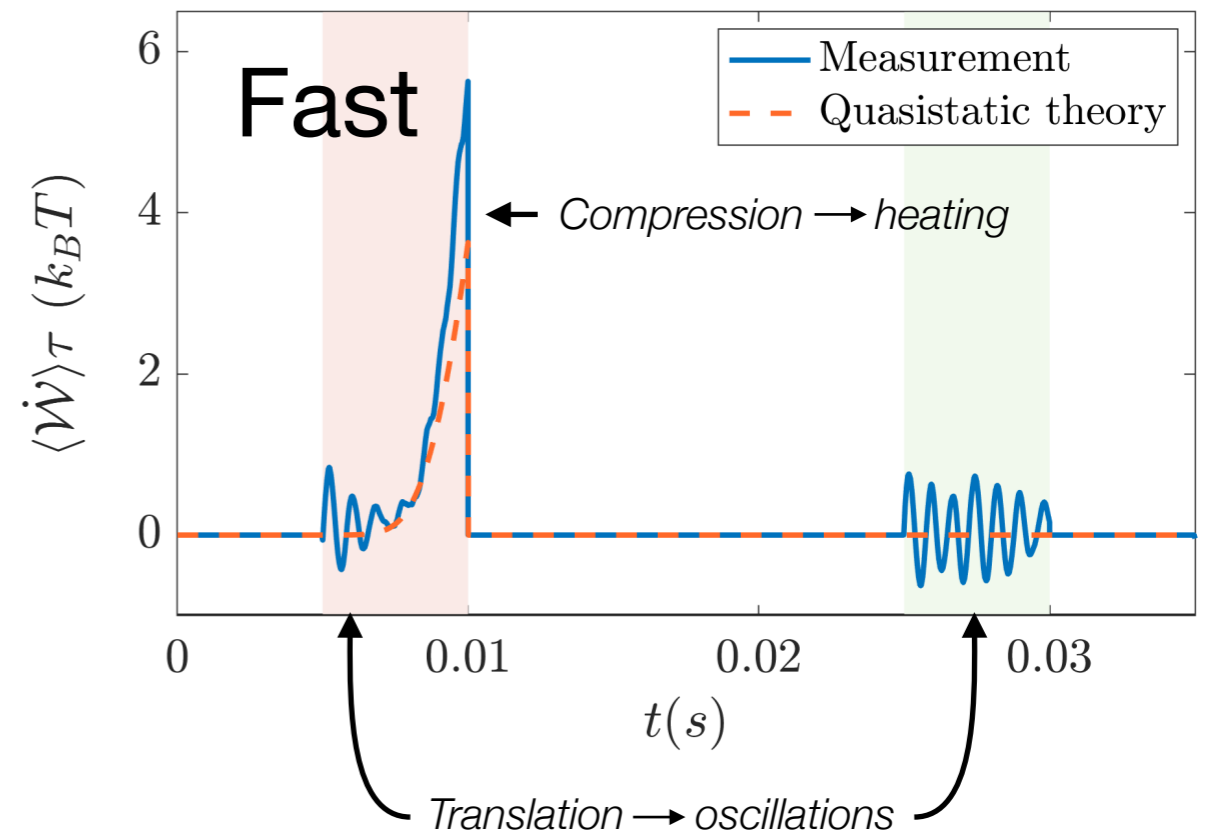
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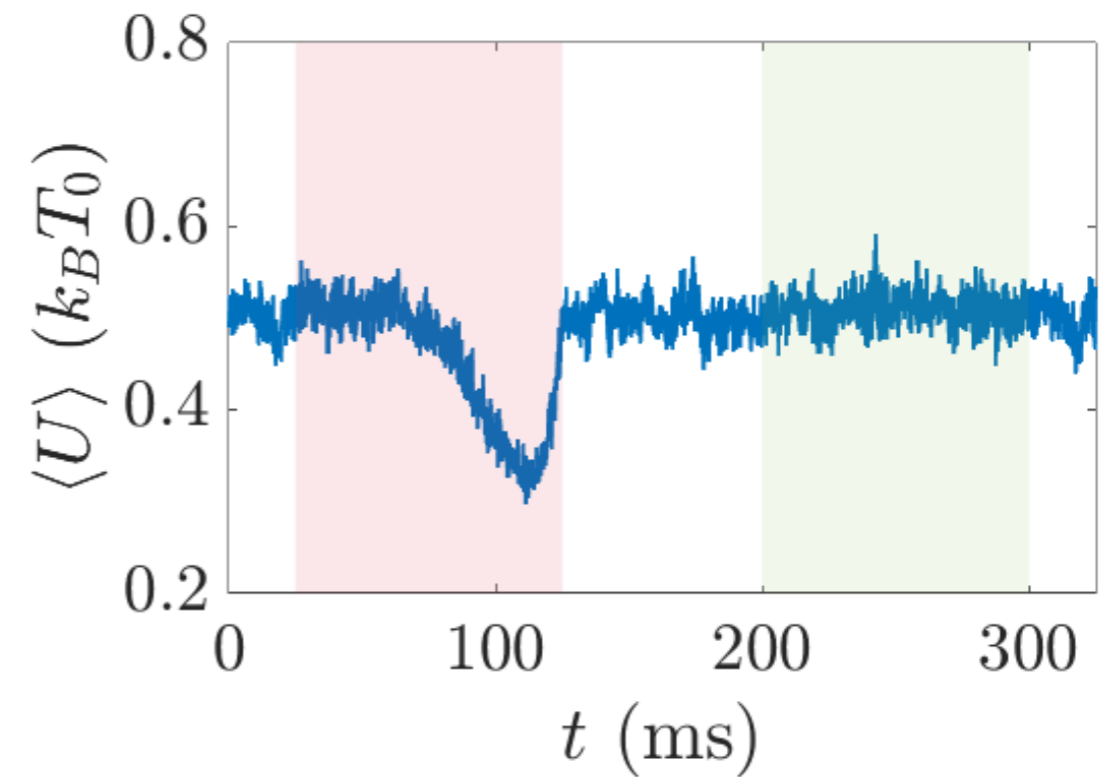
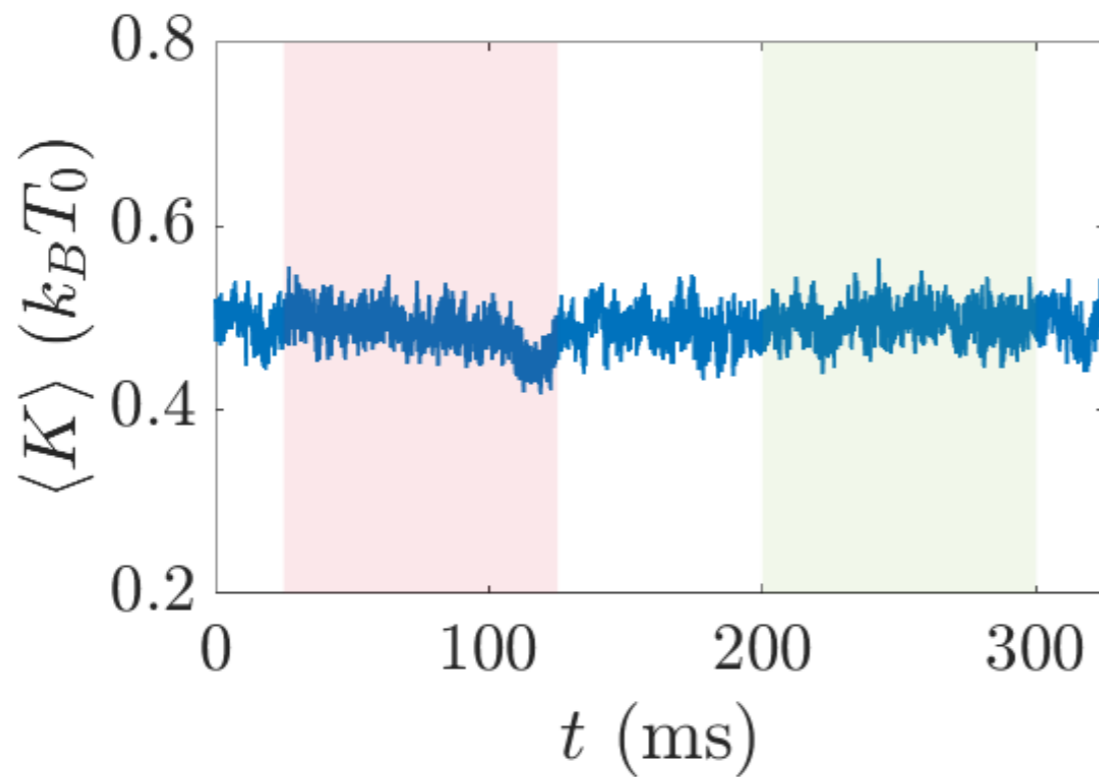
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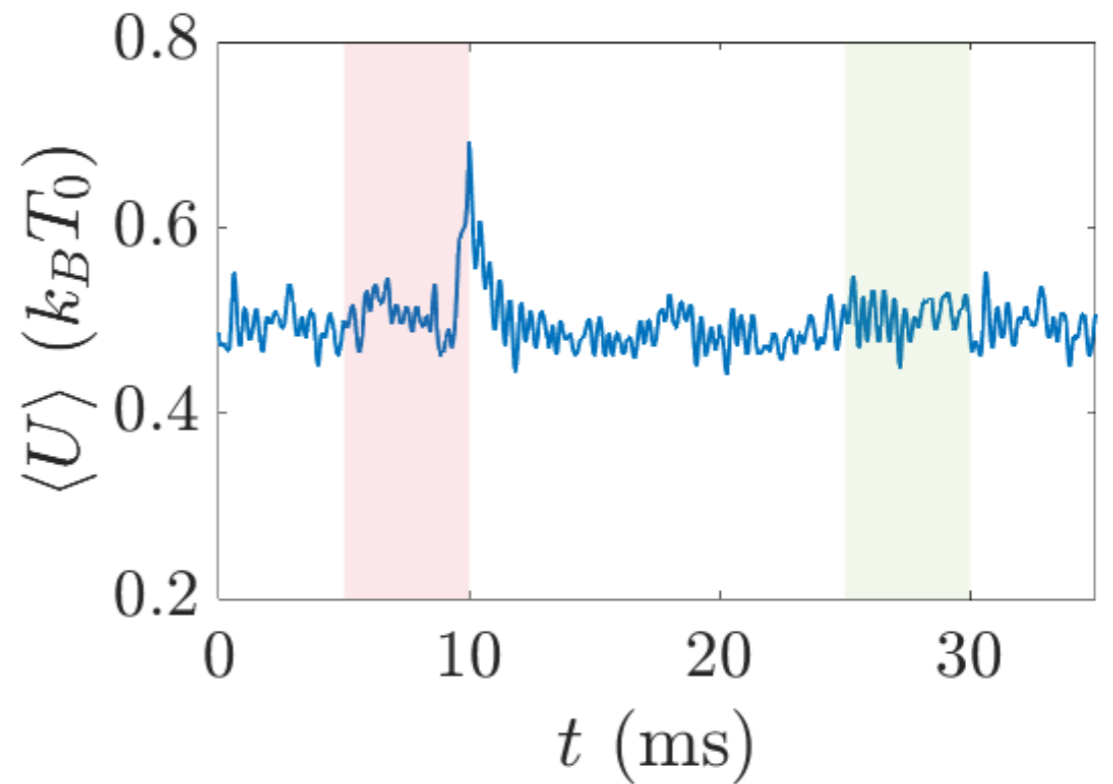
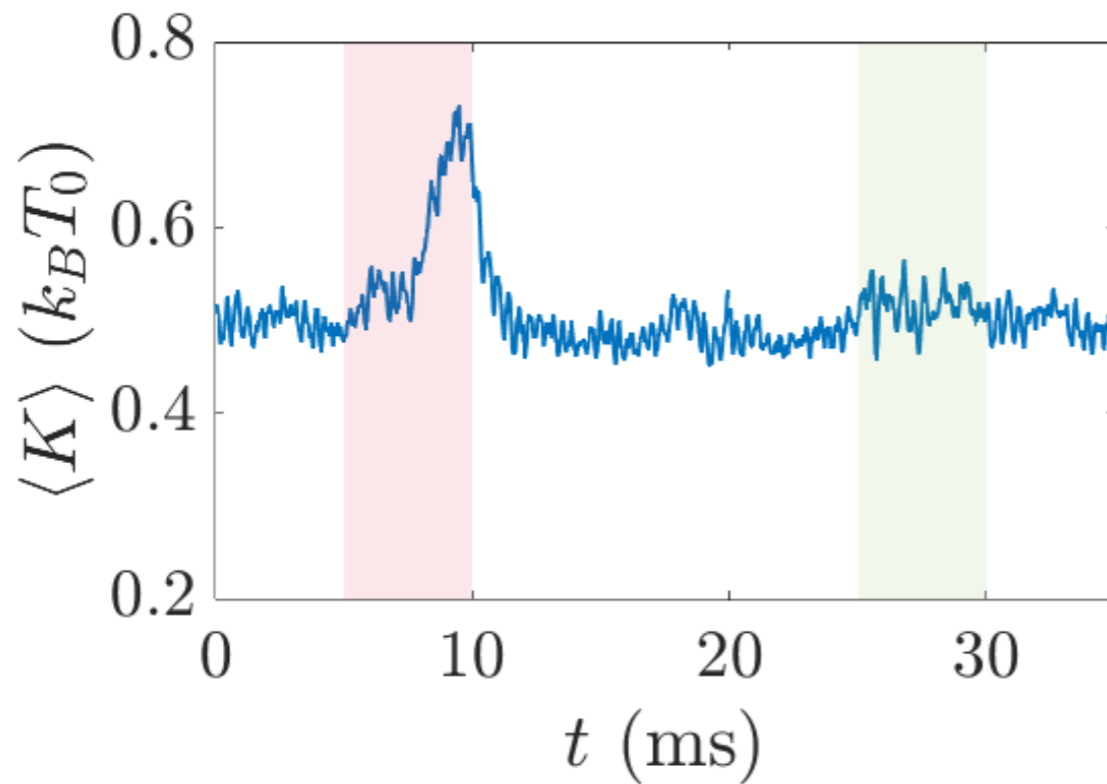
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 $\sim 125 f_0^{-1}$
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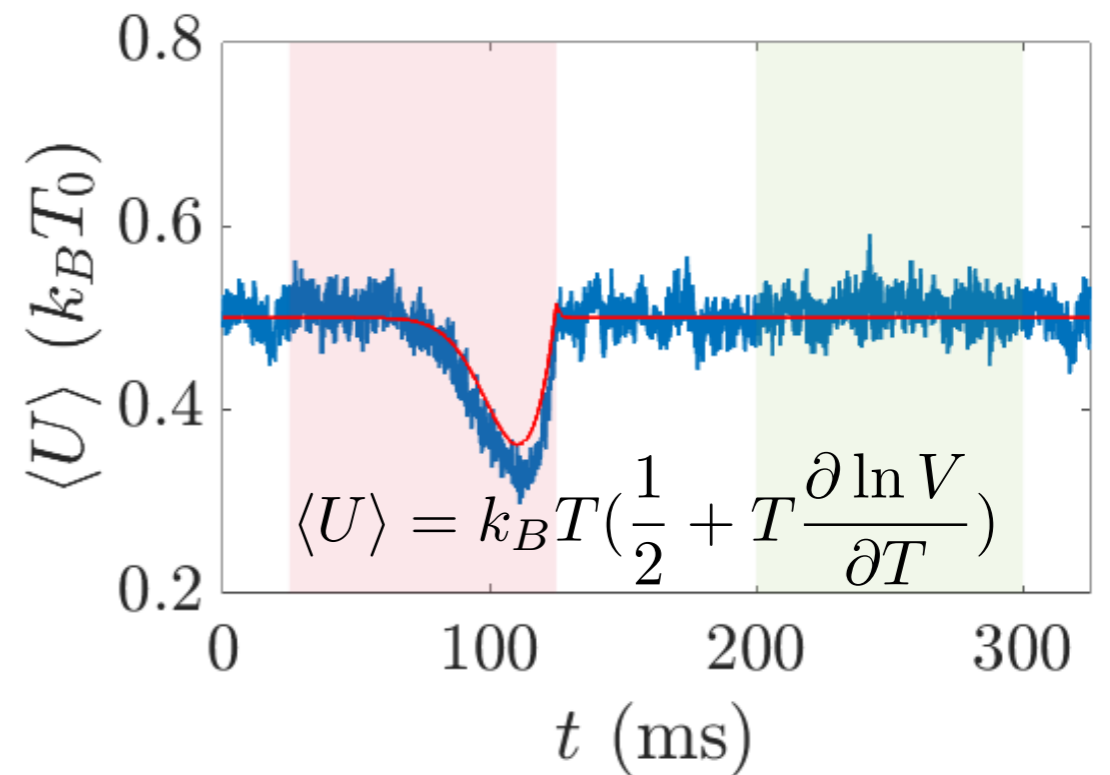
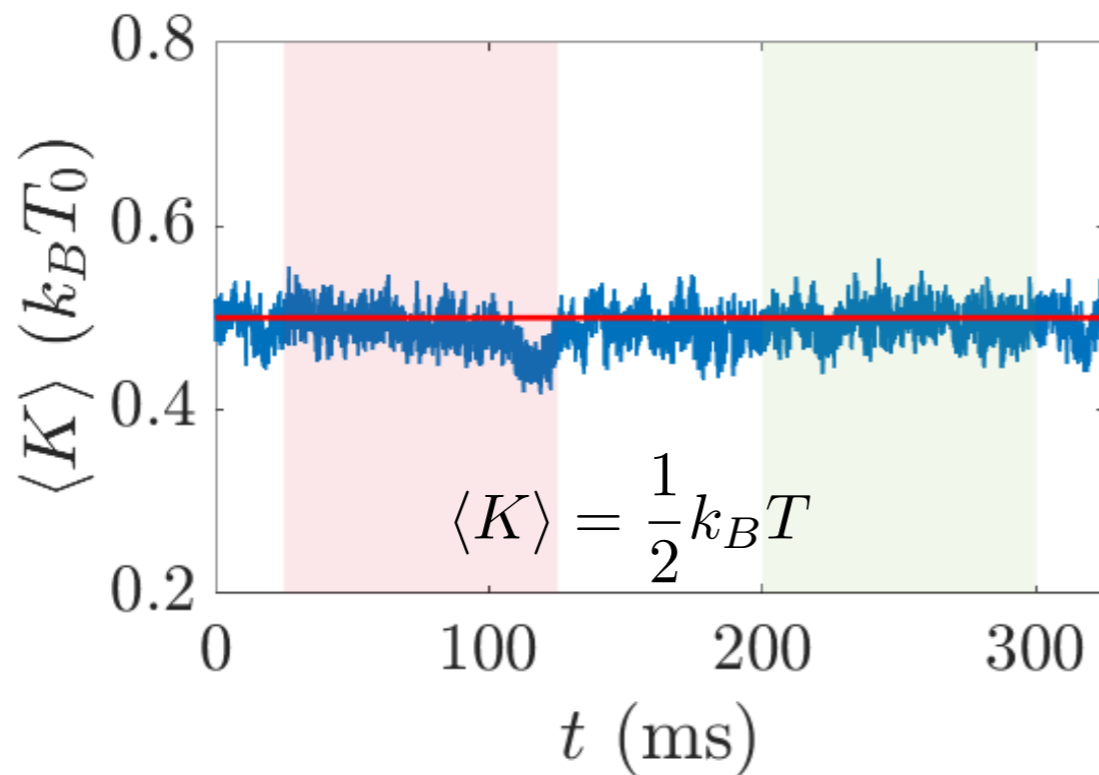
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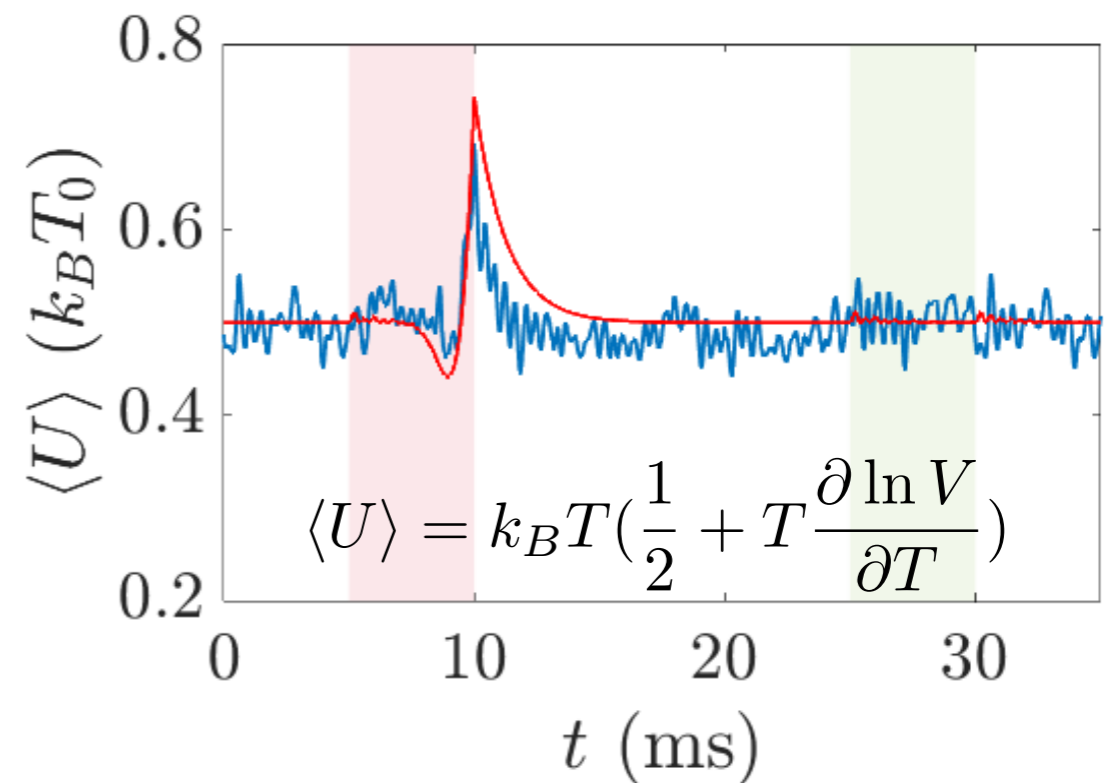
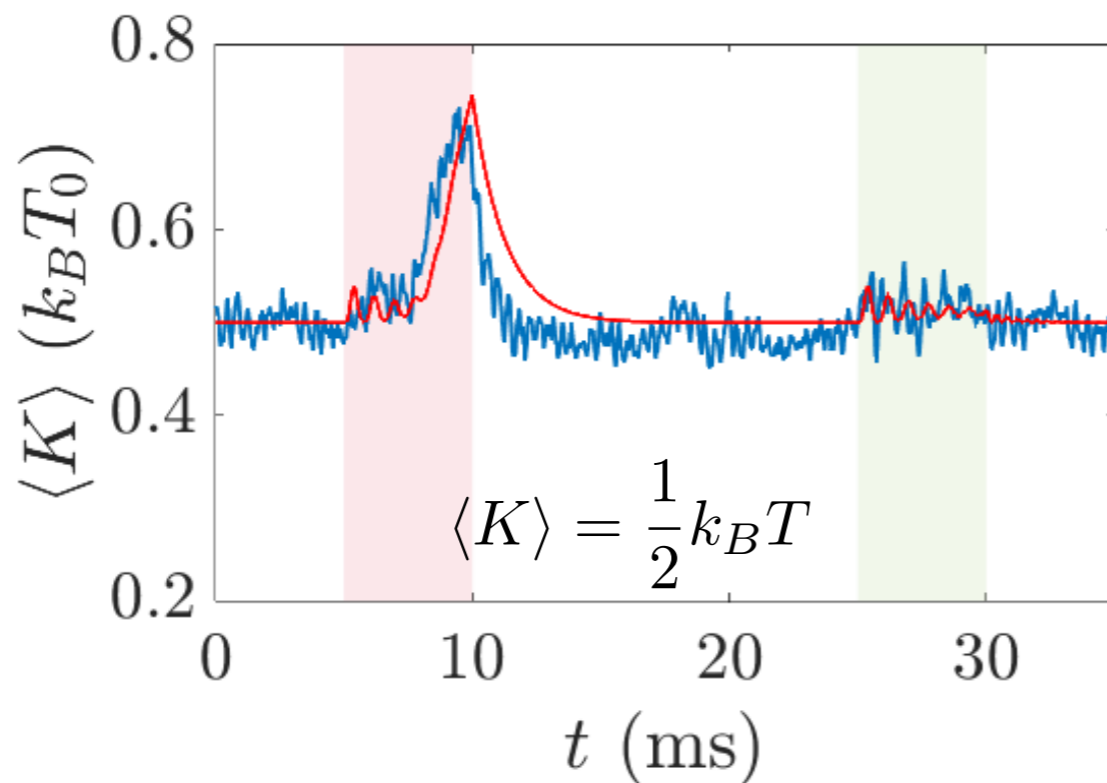
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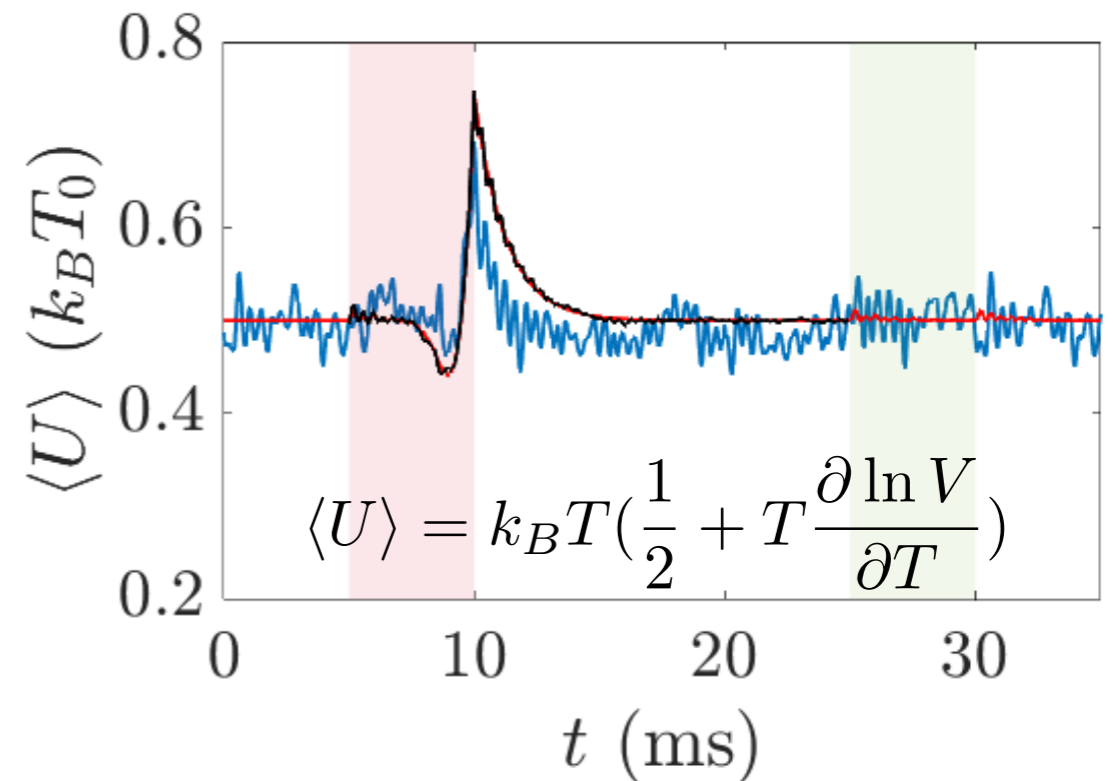
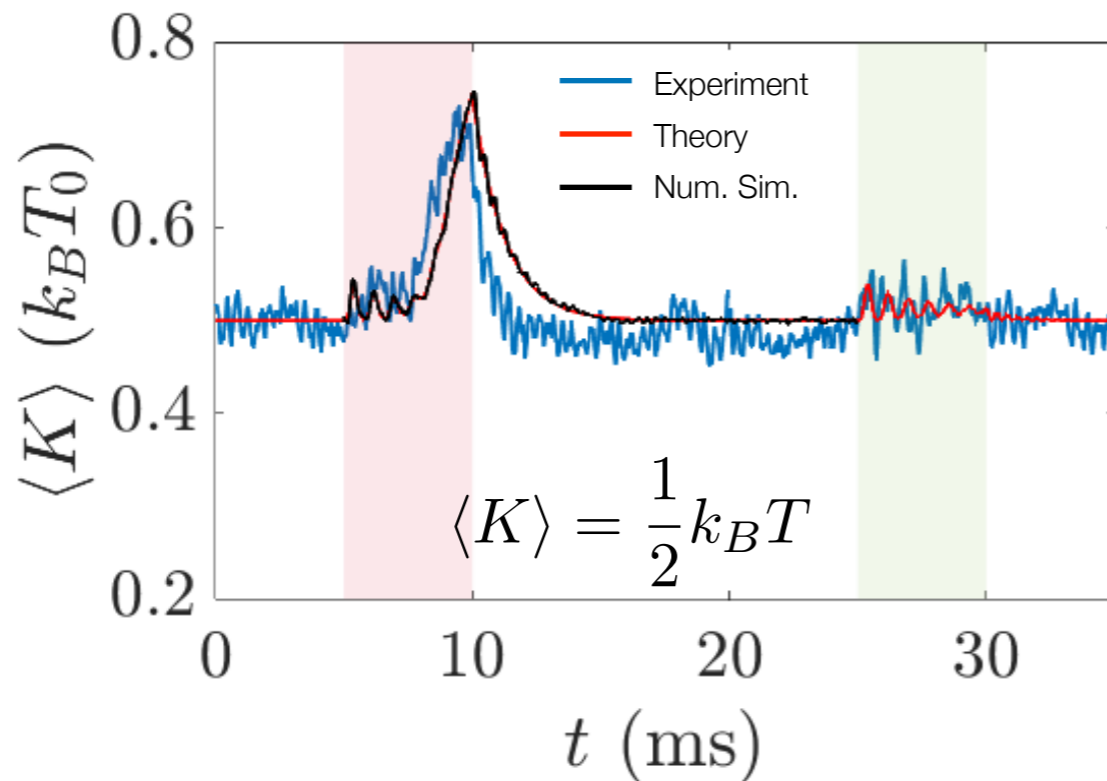
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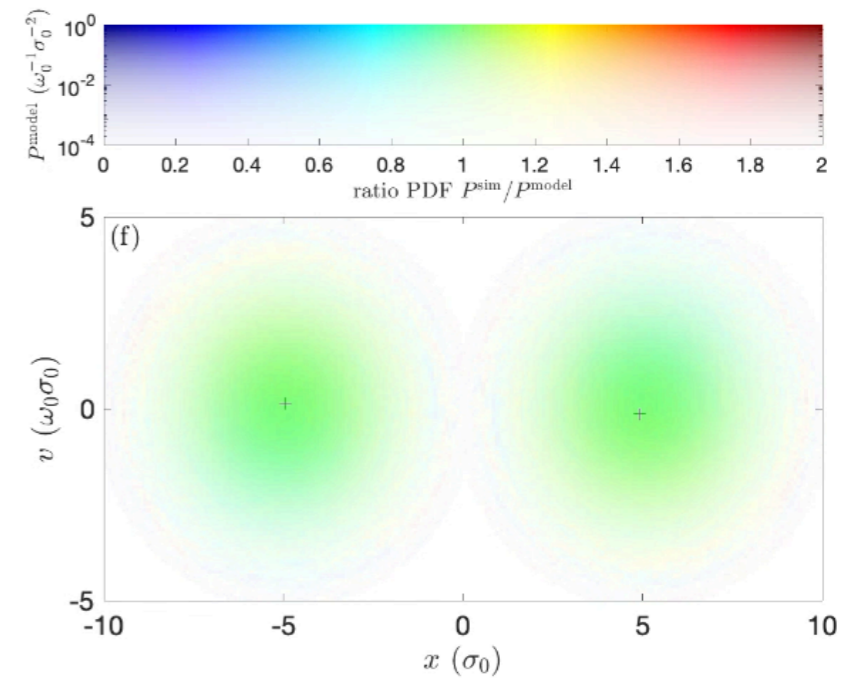
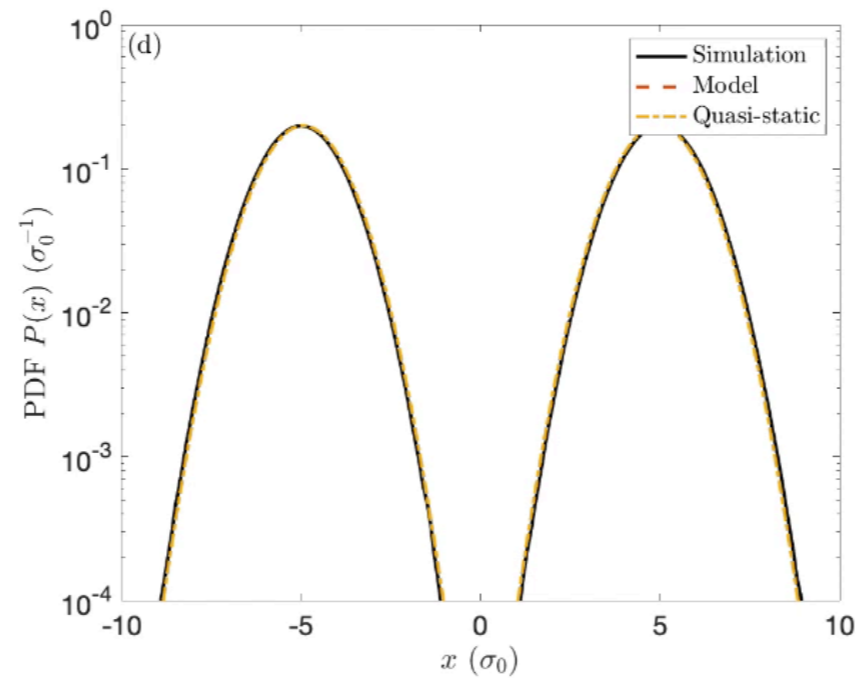
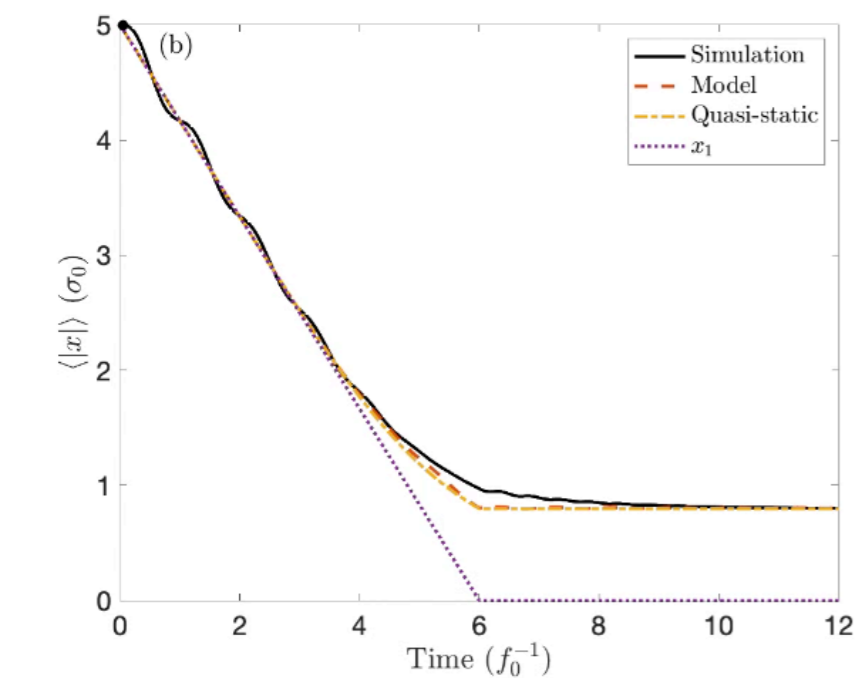
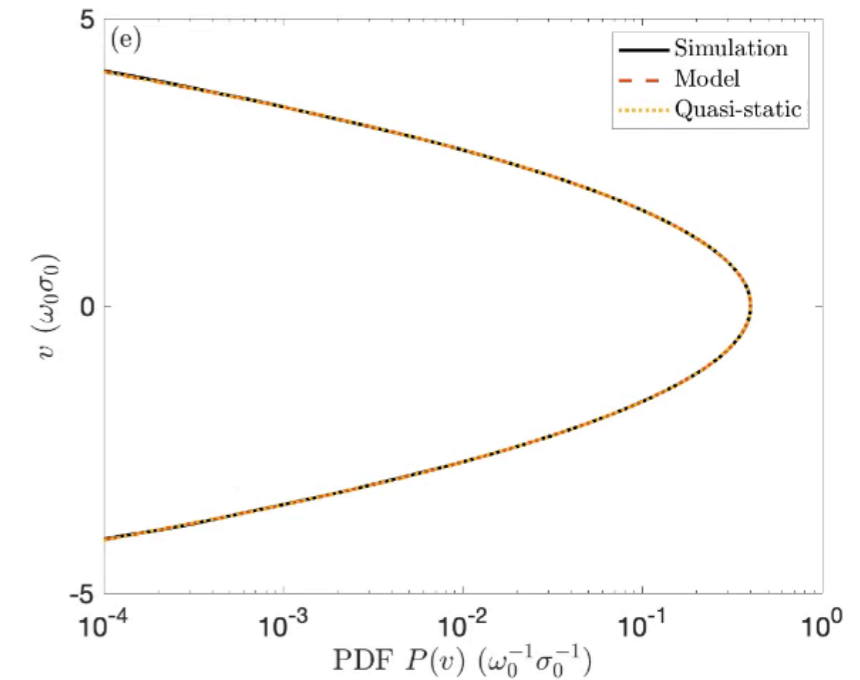
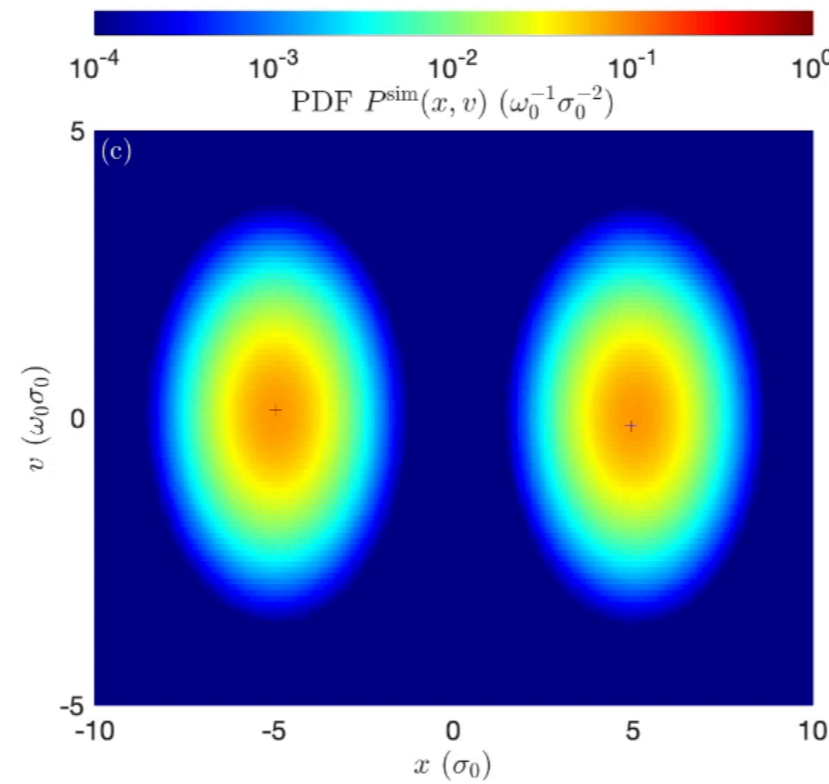
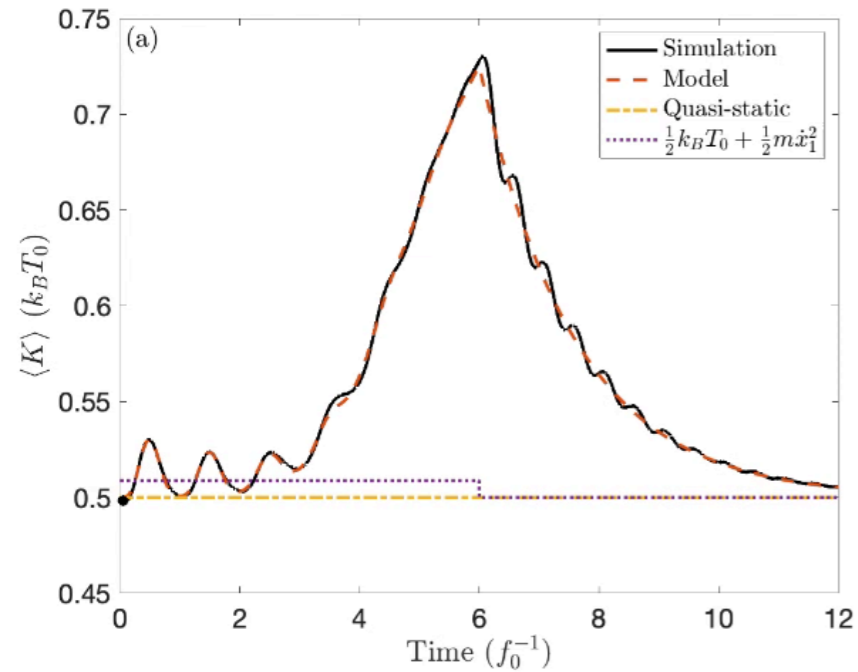
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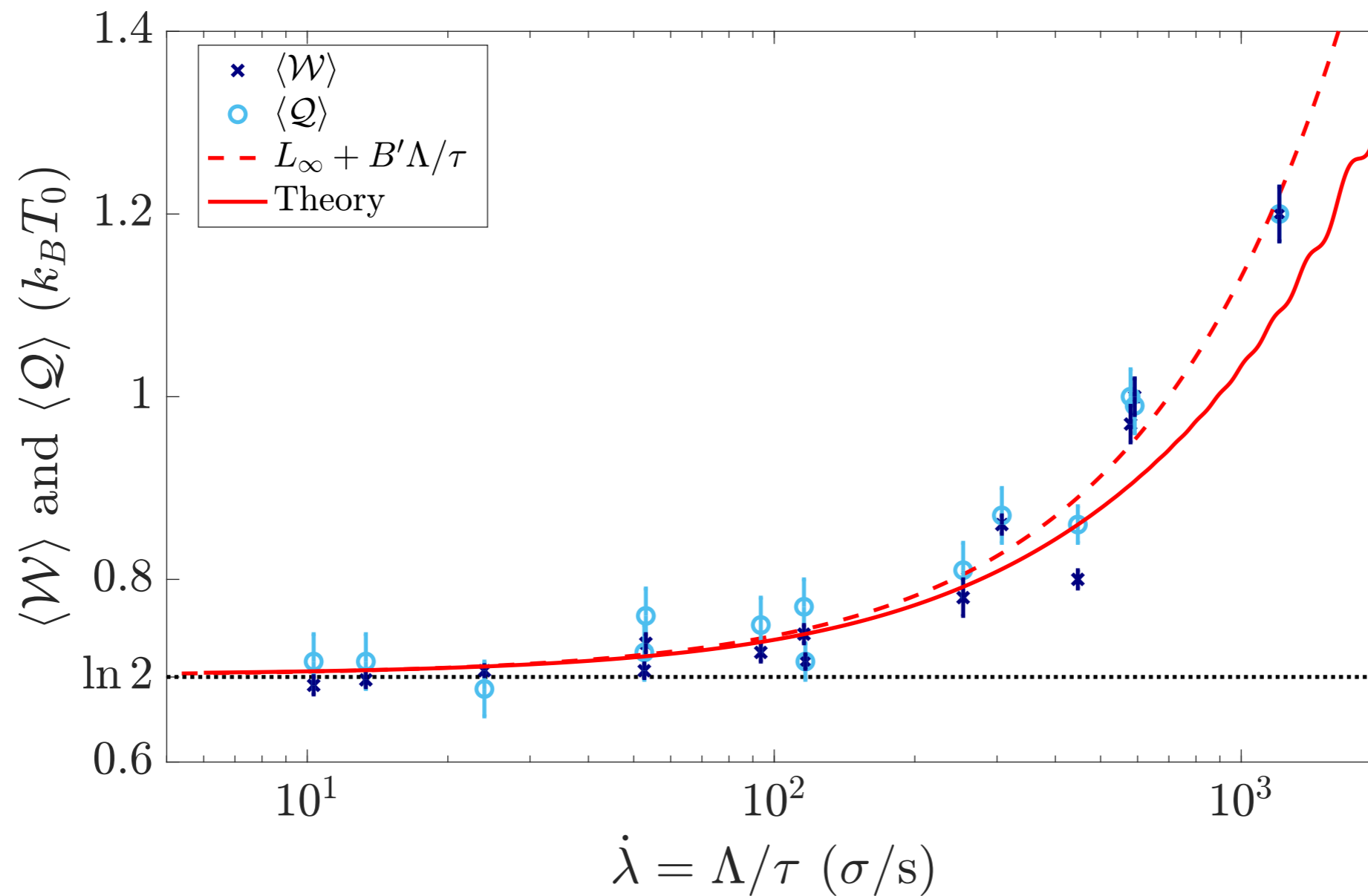
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$$\langle Q \rangle = \langle \mathcal{W} \rangle \sim \int k_B T d \ln V$$



$$Q \gg 1 \longrightarrow \langle \dot{Q} \rangle = -\frac{\omega_0}{Q} k_B (T - T_0) \sim 0$$

$$\left[k_B \ln Z + \frac{\langle E \rangle}{T} \right]_0^\tau = \Delta S = \int_0^\tau \frac{\langle \dot{Q} \rangle}{T} dt = 0$$

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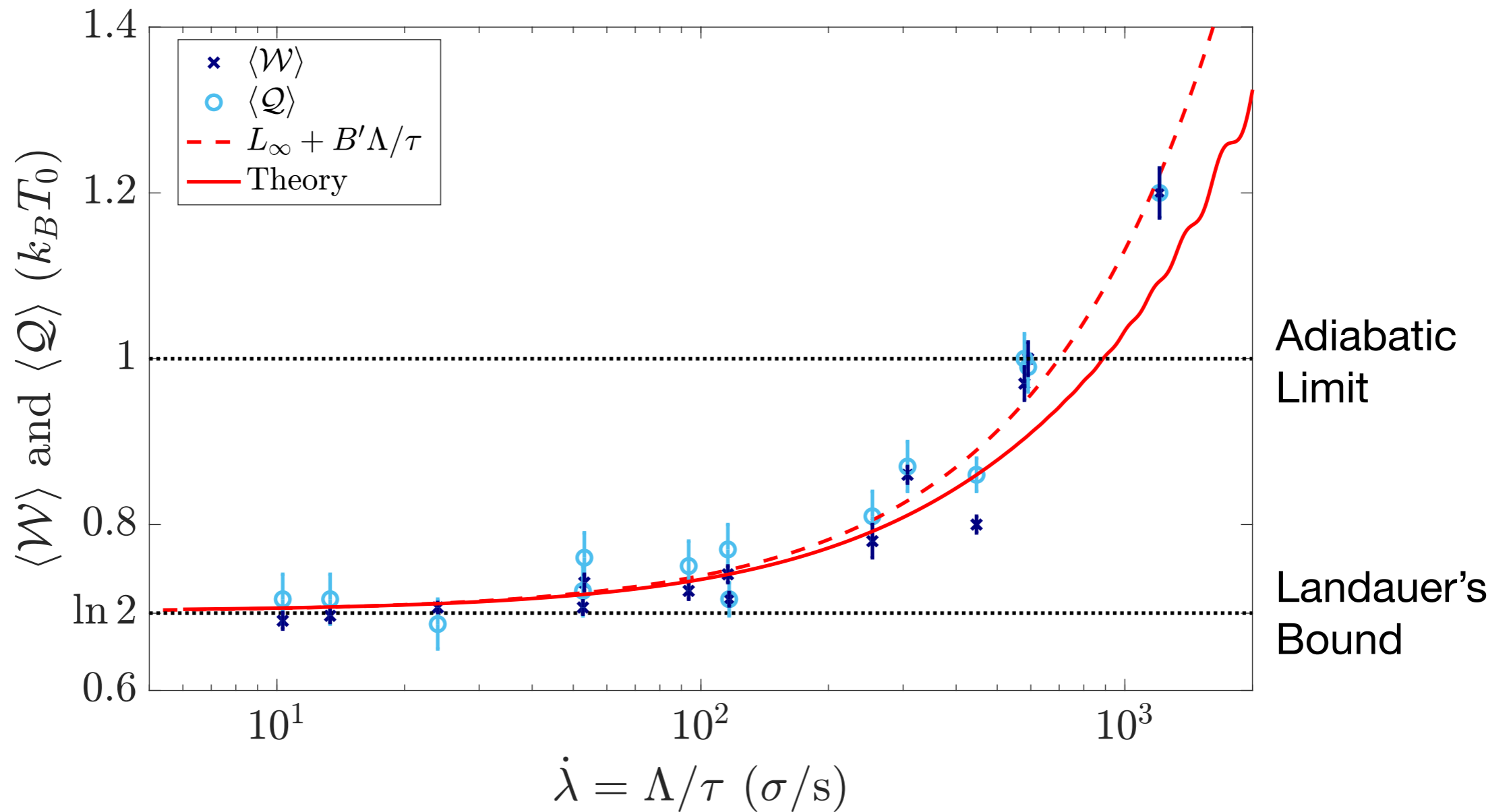
$$TV = T_0 V_0$$

$$T(\tau) = 2T_0$$

$$\langle \mathcal{W} \rangle = \Delta \langle E \rangle = k_B T_0$$

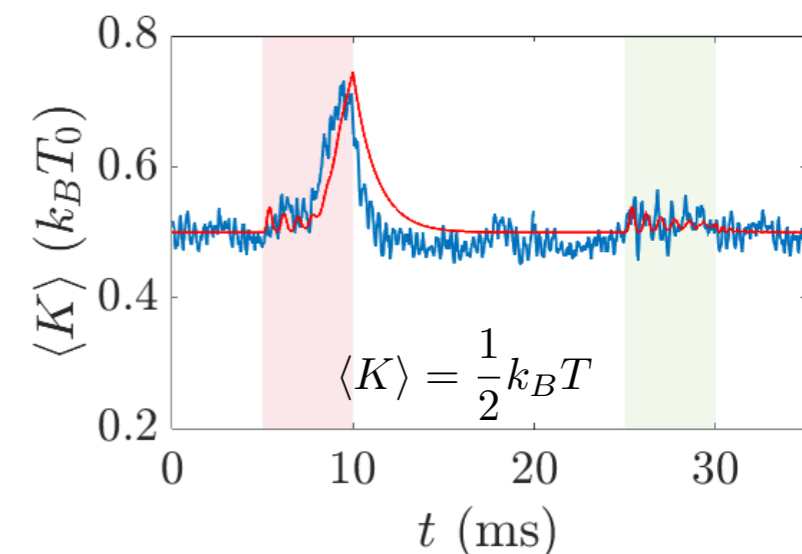
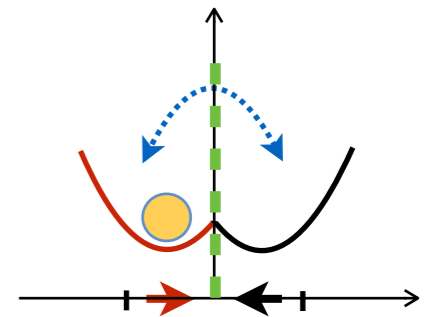
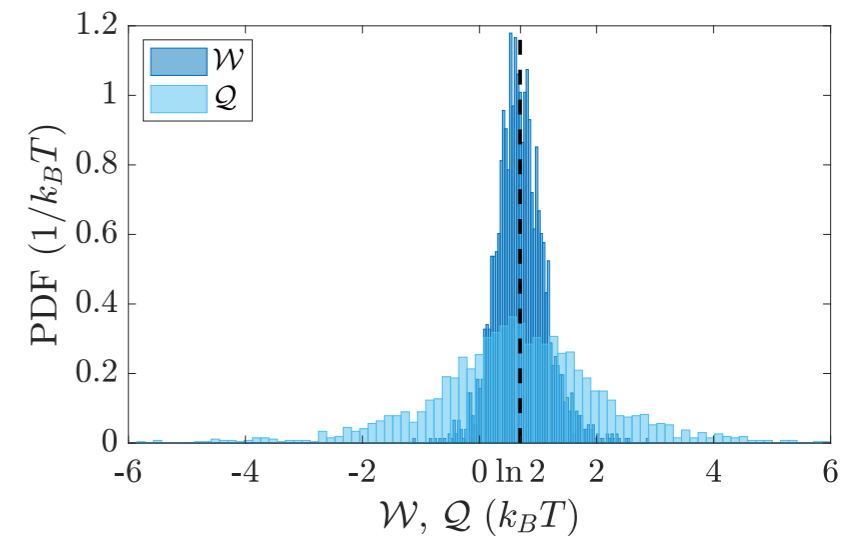
Fast is hot, but not too hot !

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Underdamped stochastic thermodynamics

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- $k_B T_0 \ln 2$ comes from compression
- Fast is hot
- Full energetics description
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Kiitos huomiostasi :-)

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