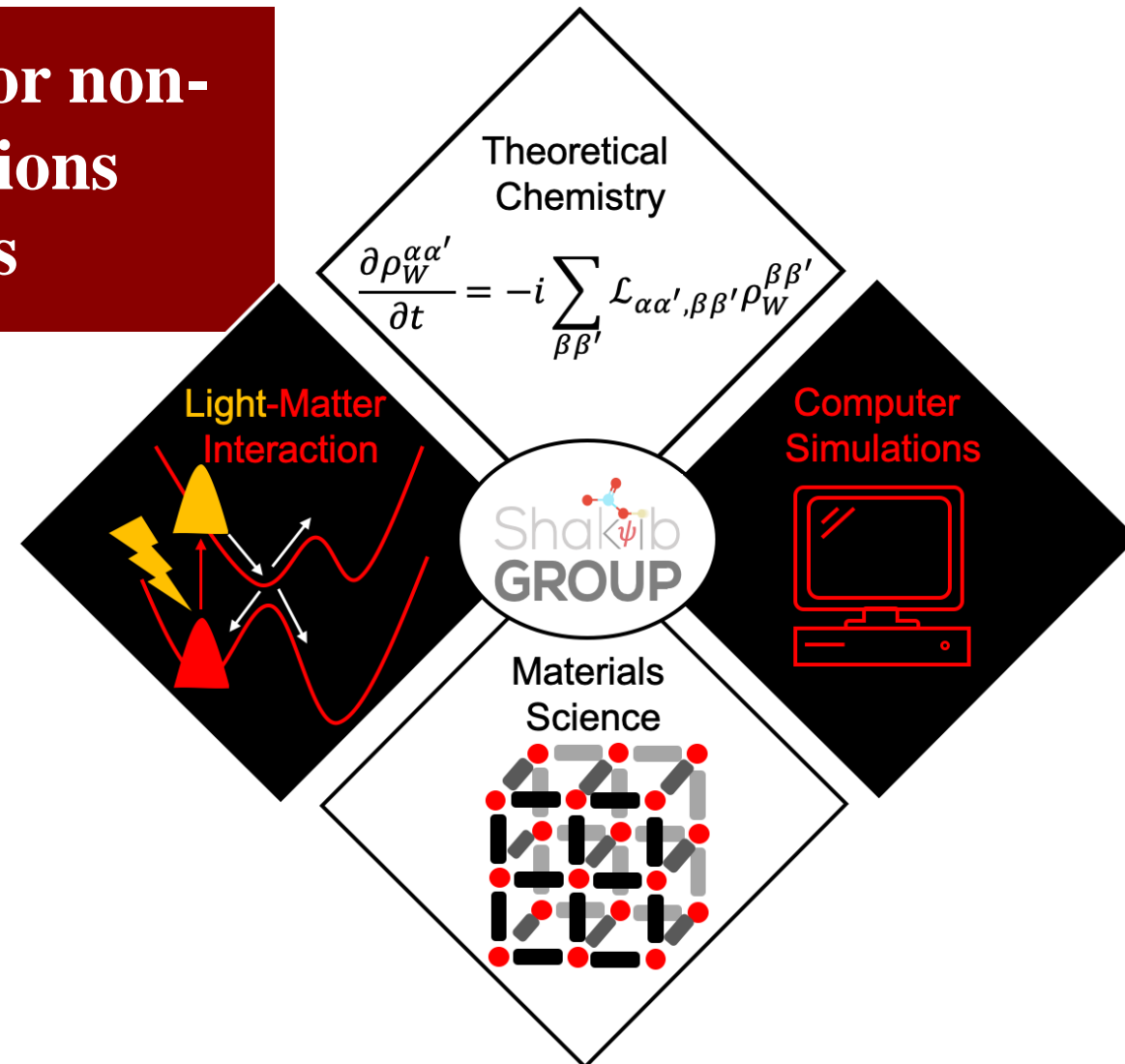


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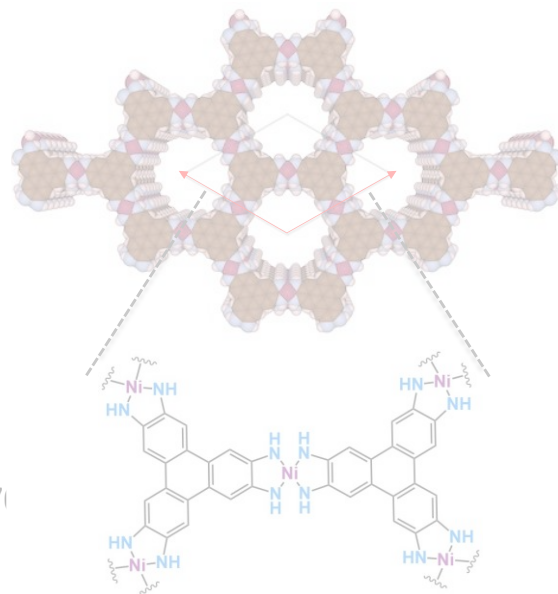
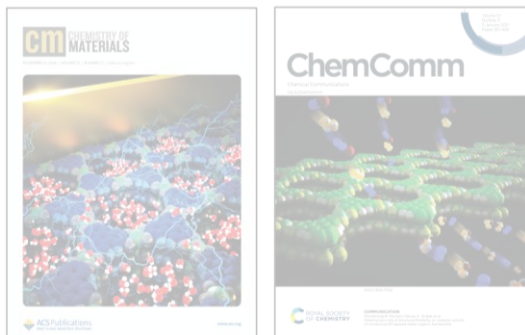
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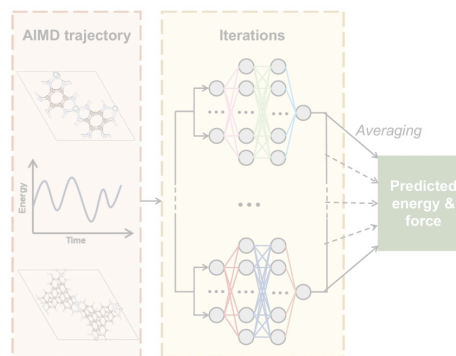
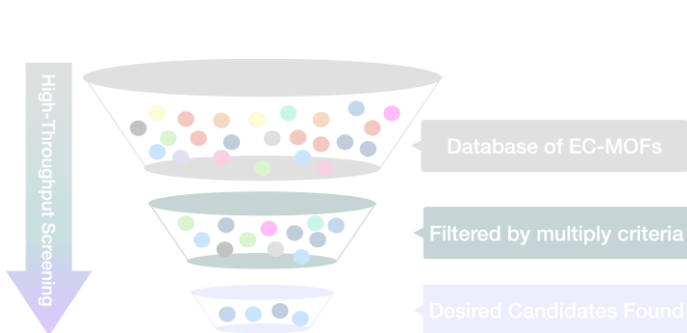


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# Multifunctional materials: Design & discovery



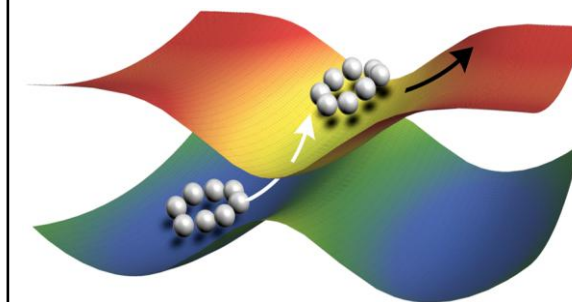
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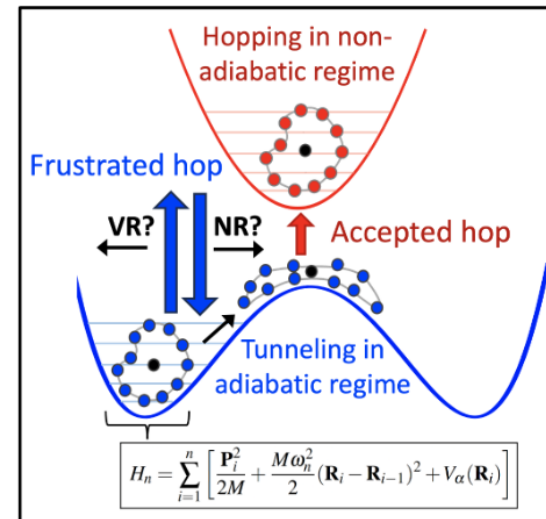
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# Non-adiabatic quantum dynamics

## Ring Polymer Surface Hopping



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# Software development

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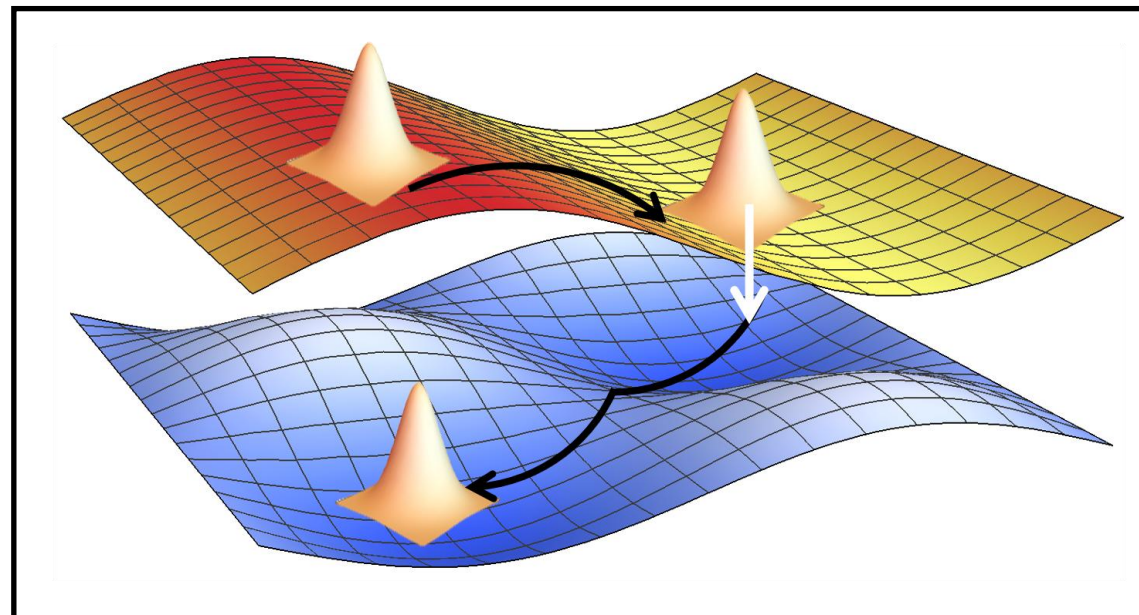
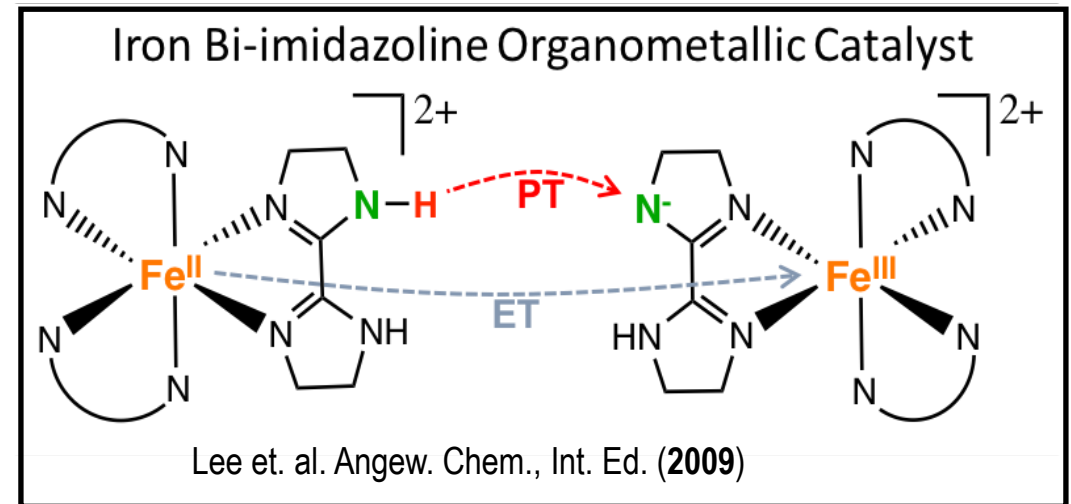
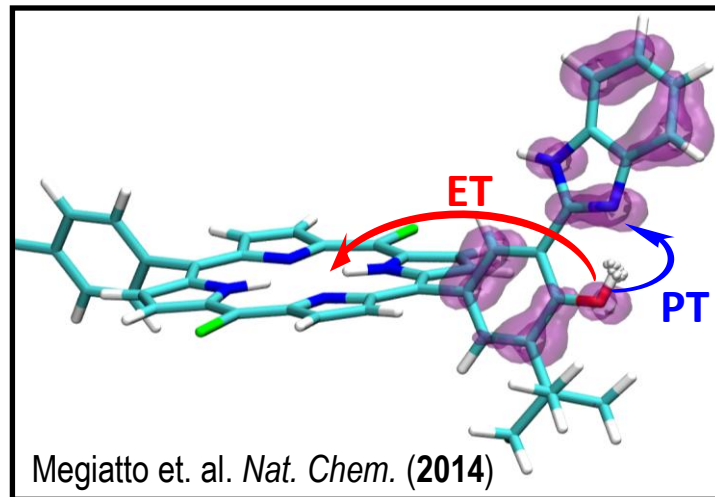
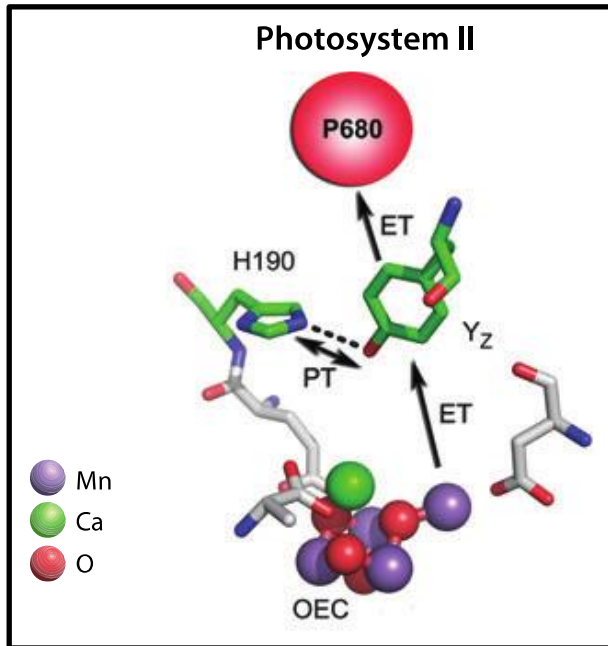
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# Incorporating NQEs into non-adiabatic quantum dynamics



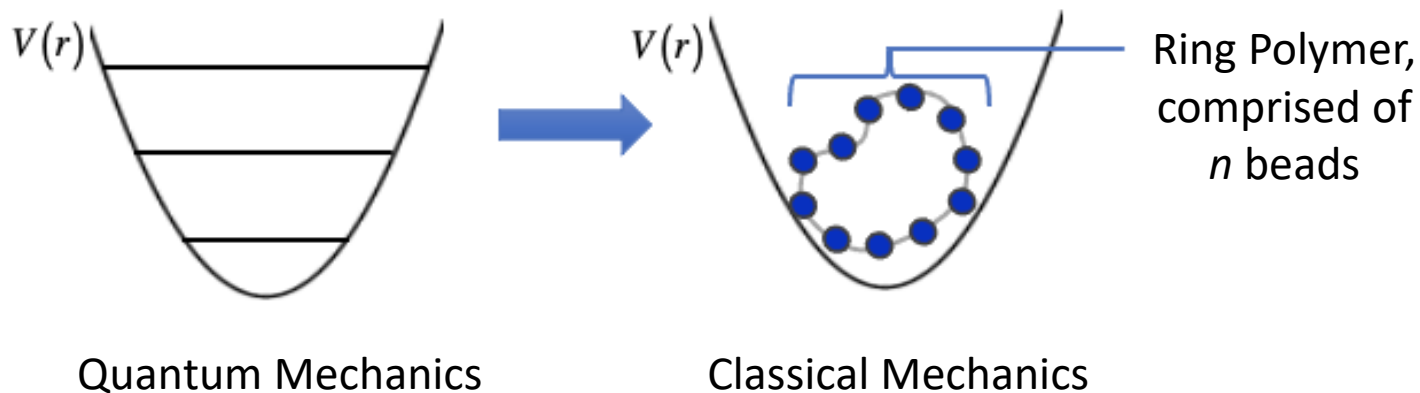
# Path Integral Molecular Dynamics

Path integral formalism:  $Z = \text{Tr} e^{-\beta \hat{H}} \approx \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int dr_1 dr_2 \dots dr_n \exp[-\beta V_{\text{eff}}(r_1, r_2, \dots, r_n)]$

$$V_{\text{eff}} = \sum_{i=1}^n \left[ \frac{nm}{2\beta^2 \hbar^2} (r_{i+1} - r_i)^2 + \frac{1}{n} V(r_i) \right] \xrightarrow[\omega = \frac{\sqrt{n}}{\beta \hbar}]{\text{A finite value of } n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left[ \frac{1}{2} m \omega^2 (r_{i+1} - r_i)^2 + \frac{1}{n} V(r_i) \right]$$

Remnants of kinetic energy operator

## Quantum – Classical Isomorphism

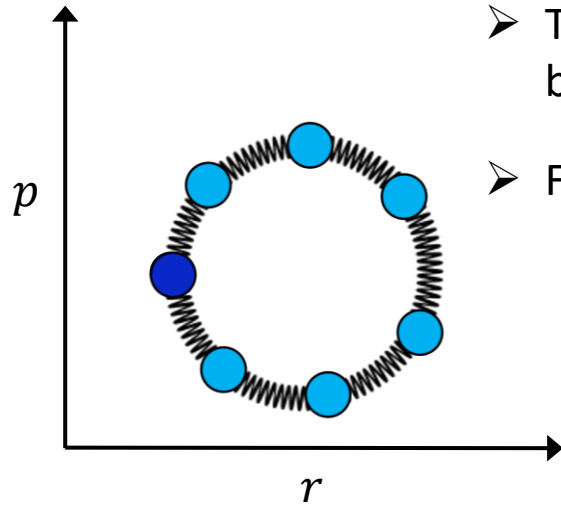


Insertion of a fictitious kinetic energy

$$H_n(r, p) = \sum_{i=1}^n \left[ \frac{p_i^2}{2m'} + \frac{1}{2} m \omega^2 (r_{i+1} - r_i)^2 + \frac{1}{n} V(r_i) \right]$$

# Ring Polymer Molecular Dynamics

## PIMD<sup>1</sup>

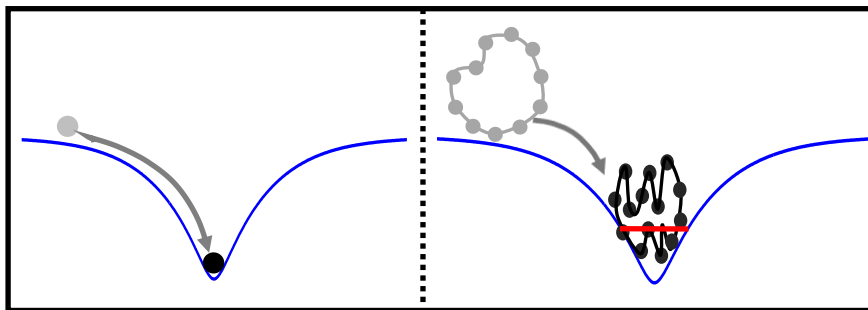
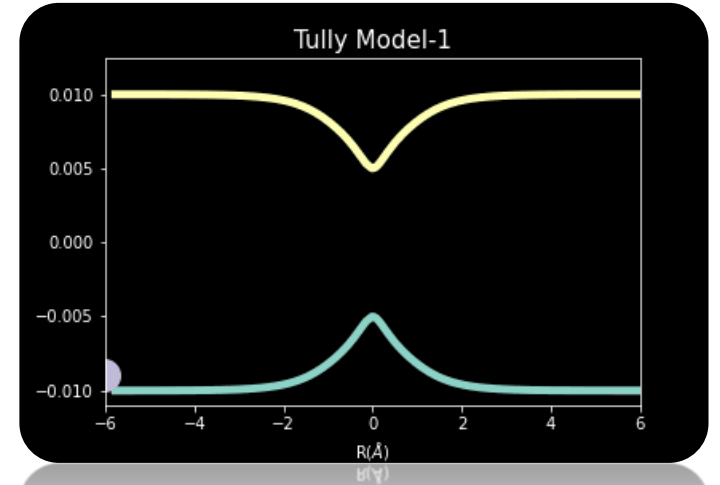


- Temperature controlled by a thermostat (N,V,T)
- Fictitious mass



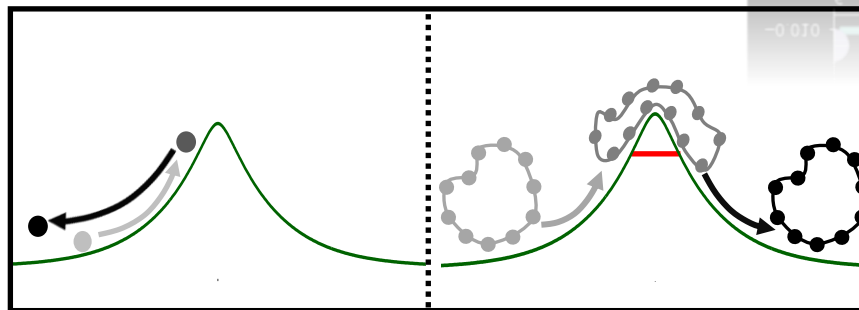
## RPMD<sup>2</sup>

- No thermostat (N,V,E)
- Real mass



Zero-point energy

$$\bar{v} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=0}^n v_i$$

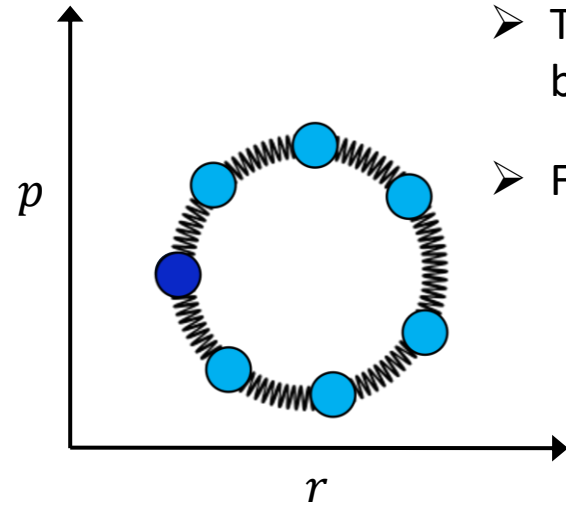


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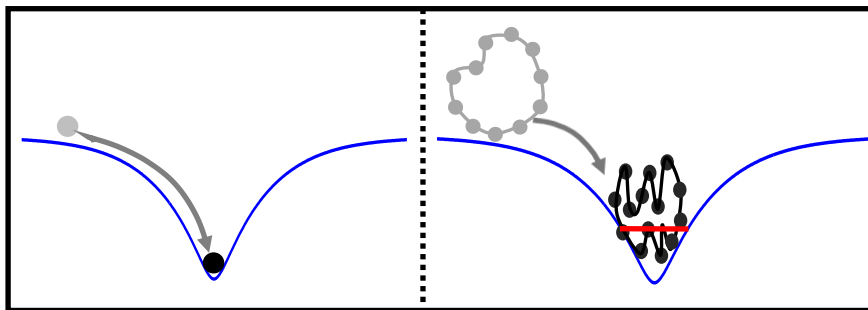
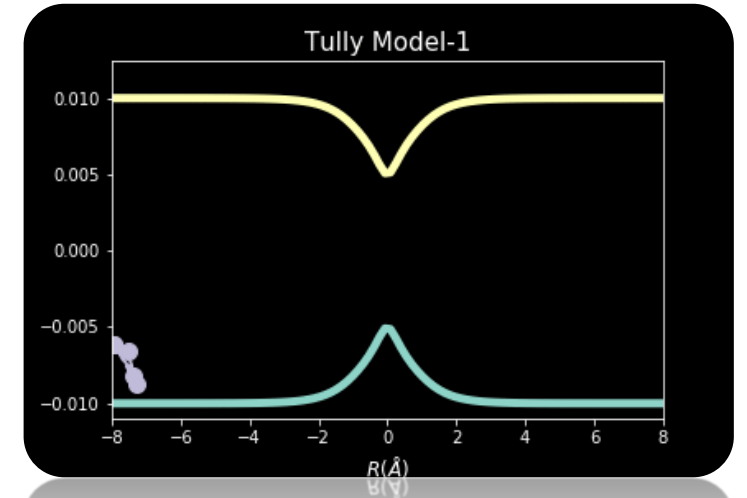


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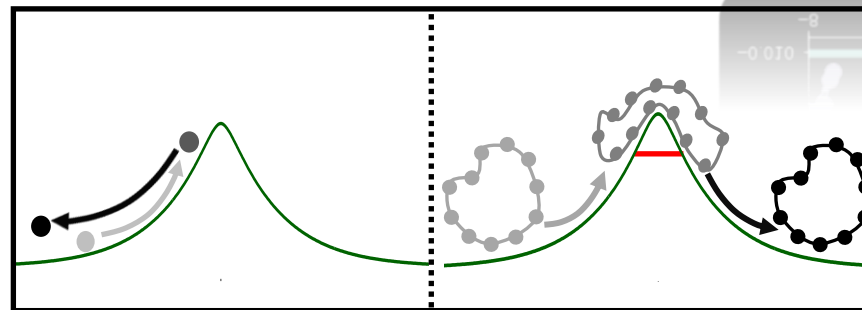
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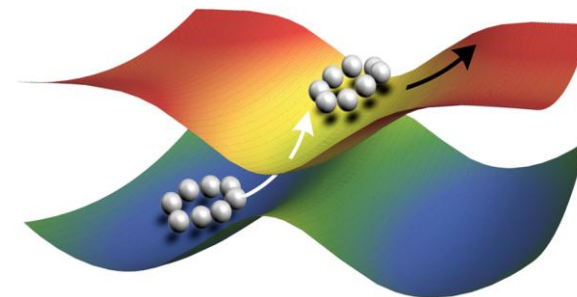
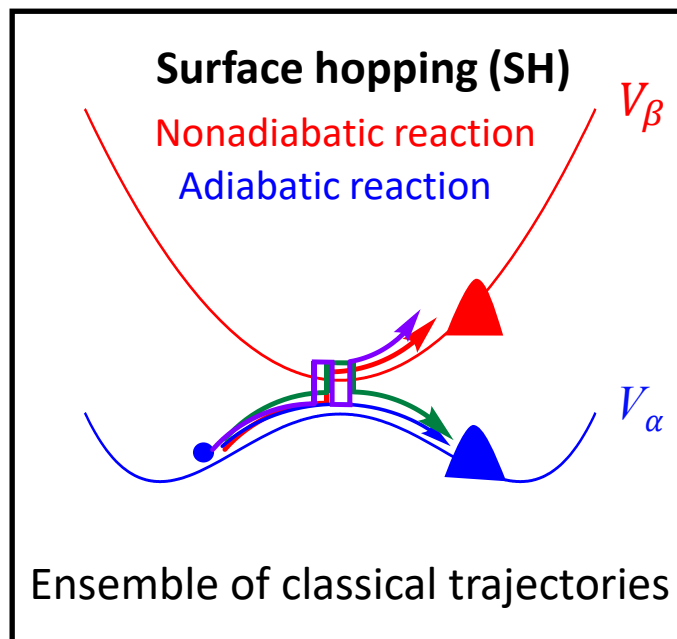
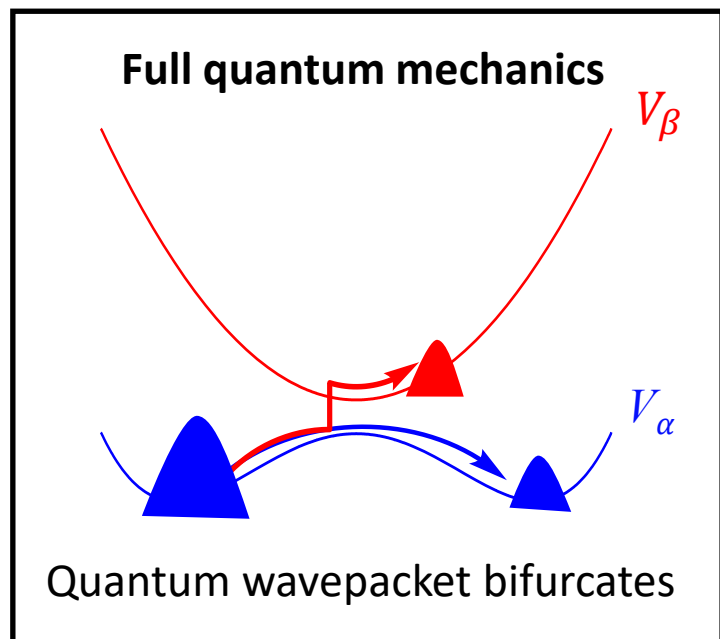
# Trajectory-based nonadiabatic dynamics



John Tully

**1990: Fewest-Switches Surface Hopping (FSSH)**

**2012: Ring polymer surface hopping (RPSH)**



Adiabatic potential energy surface

$$i\hbar\dot{c}_\alpha(t) = V_\alpha(\mathbf{R})c_\alpha(t) - i\hbar \sum_{\beta} \dot{\mathbf{R}} \cdot \mathbf{d}_{\alpha\beta}(\mathbf{R})c_\beta(t)$$

Nonadiabatic coupling vector

**Probability of non-adiabatic transition**

$$g_{\alpha\beta} = \frac{-2\text{Re}(\rho_{\beta\alpha}^* \dot{\mathbf{R}} \cdot \mathbf{d}_{\beta\alpha}(\mathbf{R})) \Delta t}{\rho_{\alpha\alpha}} > \xi$$

- ✓ Stochastic, phenomenological methodology
- ✓ Ease of implementation, good convergence
- ✓ Good results in many applications

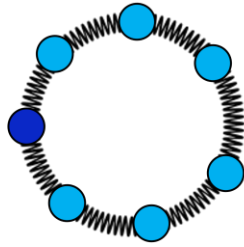
- ❖ Overcoherence problem
- ❖ Neglect of Nuclear Quantum Effects (NQEs)

**Mainstream non-adiabatic dynamics methodology**

# Ring Polymer Surface Hopping (RPSH) dynamics

Path Integral  
Formalism

Each nuclear  
DOF



$$H_n = \sum_{i=1}^n \left[ \frac{\mathbf{P}_i^2}{2M} + \frac{M\omega_n^2}{2} (\mathbf{R}_i - \mathbf{R}_{i-1})^2 + V_\alpha(\mathbf{R}_i) \right]$$

↓ Propagation

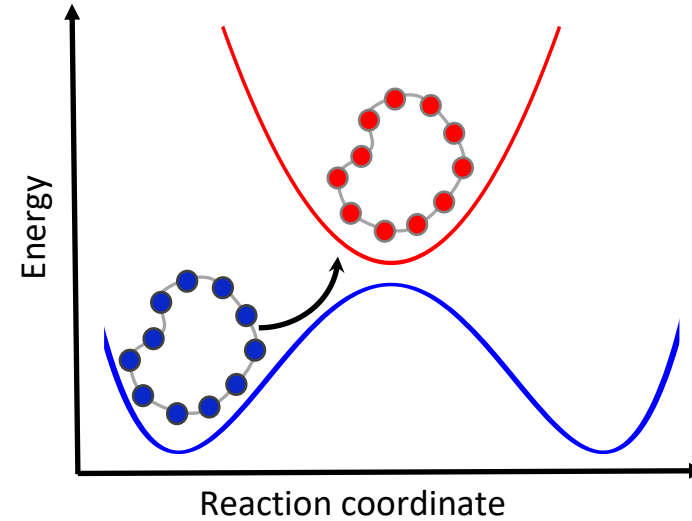
$$\bar{\mathbf{R}} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{R}_i \quad \bar{\mathbf{P}} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{P}_i$$

↓ Solving TDSE

$$i\hbar \dot{c}_\alpha(t) = V_\alpha(\bar{\mathbf{R}})c_\alpha(t) - i\hbar \sum_{\beta} \dot{\bar{\mathbf{R}}} \cdot \mathbf{d}_{\alpha\beta}(\bar{\mathbf{R}})c_\beta(t)$$

↓ Non-adiabatic transitions

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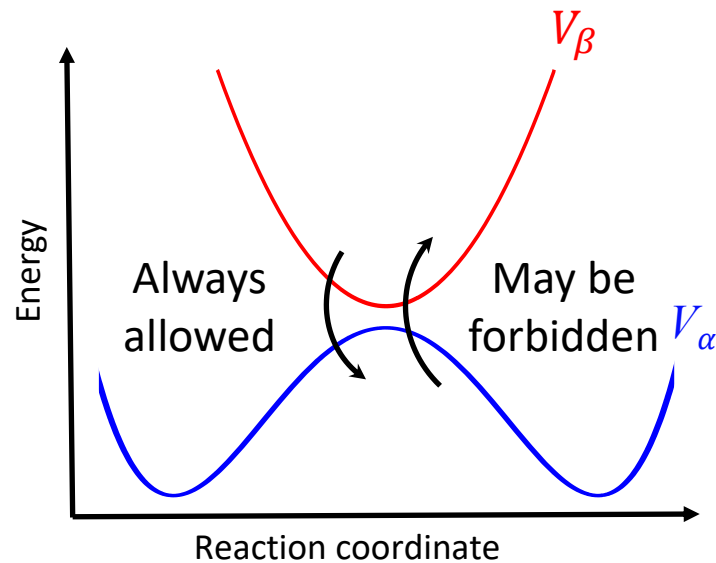
**RPSH conserves quantum plus classical energy**

Velocity of each bead is re-scaled along the direction of the centroid non-adiabatic coupling vector:

$$\dot{\mathbf{R}}'_i = \dot{\mathbf{R}}_i - \lambda_{\alpha\beta} \mathbf{d}_{\alpha\beta}(\bar{\mathbf{R}})/M$$



# Frustrated hops in RPSH



$$V_{new} + K_{new} = V_{old} + K_{old}$$

## Frustrated hops

How should be treated?

1. Reverse the velocity.<sup>1</sup>
2. Not reverse the velocity.<sup>2</sup>
3. Make a decision on reversing or not reversing based on the force that the classical particle feels from the final states.<sup>3,4</sup>

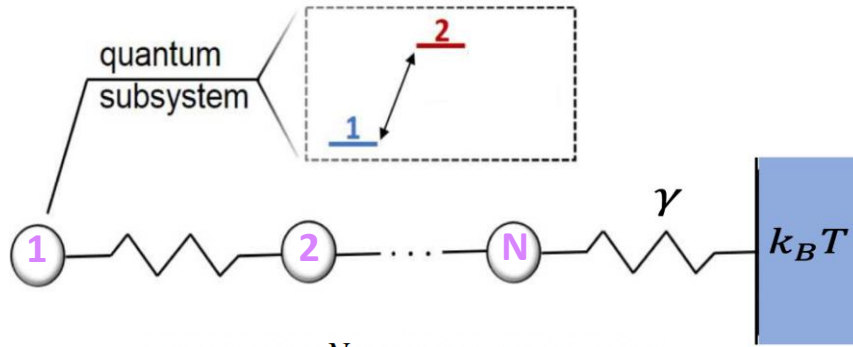


Dr. Dil Limbu

Effect of proper treatment of frustrated hops in reproducing correct quantum Boltzmann populations in RPSH

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# Quantum Boltzmann distribution

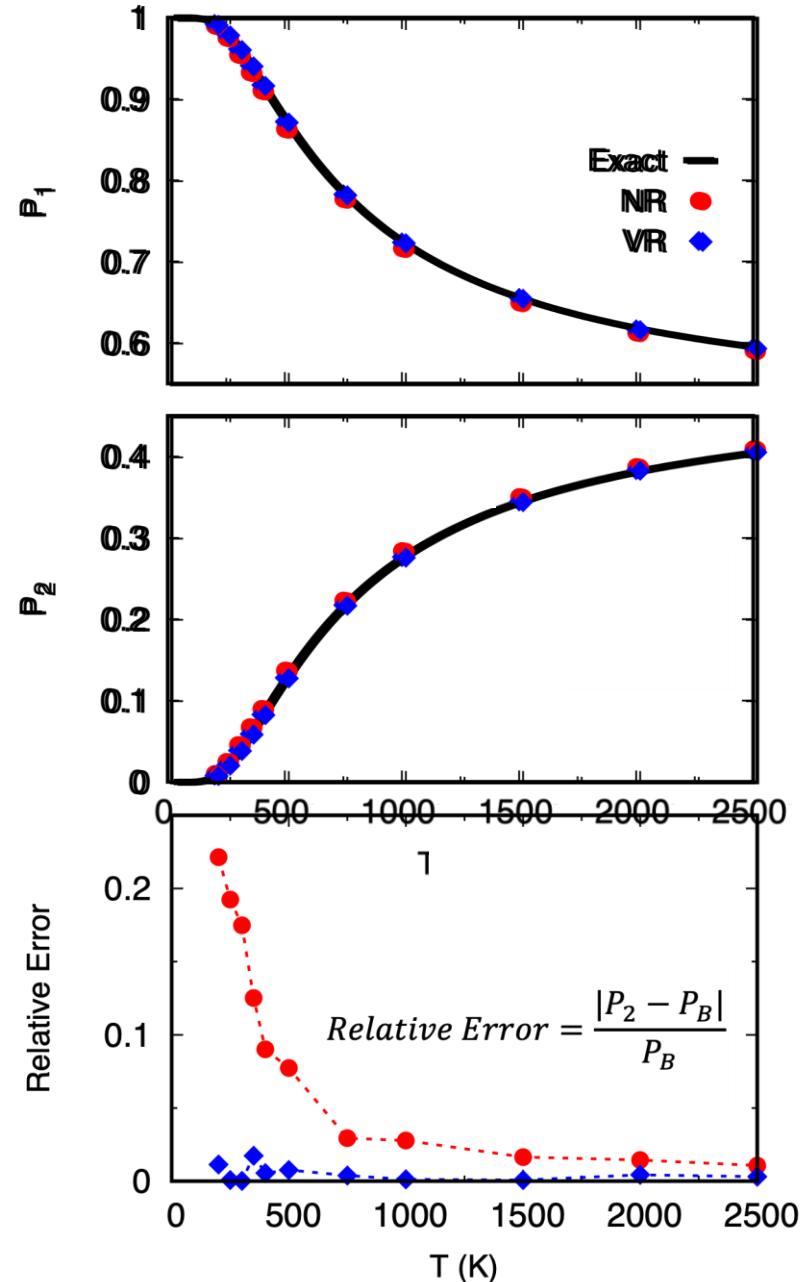


$$V(\mathbf{R}) = \sum_{i=1}^N V_M(R_i - R_{i+1})$$

$$V_M(R) = V_0(a^2 R^2 - a^3 R^3 + 0.58 a^4 R^4)$$

Followed the recipe for Thermostatted RPMD<sup>2</sup>:

$$\dot{P}_N^{(k)} = -\frac{\partial V}{\partial R_N^{(k)}} - \gamma^{(k)} P_N^{(k)} + \sqrt{\frac{2M\gamma^{(k)}}{\beta_n}} \xi^{(k)}(t)$$



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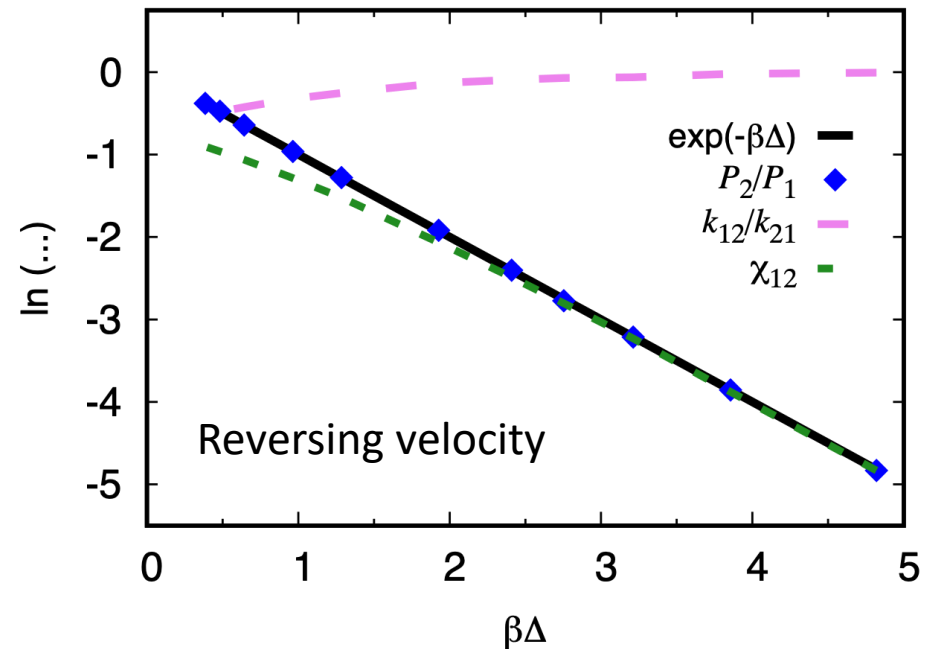
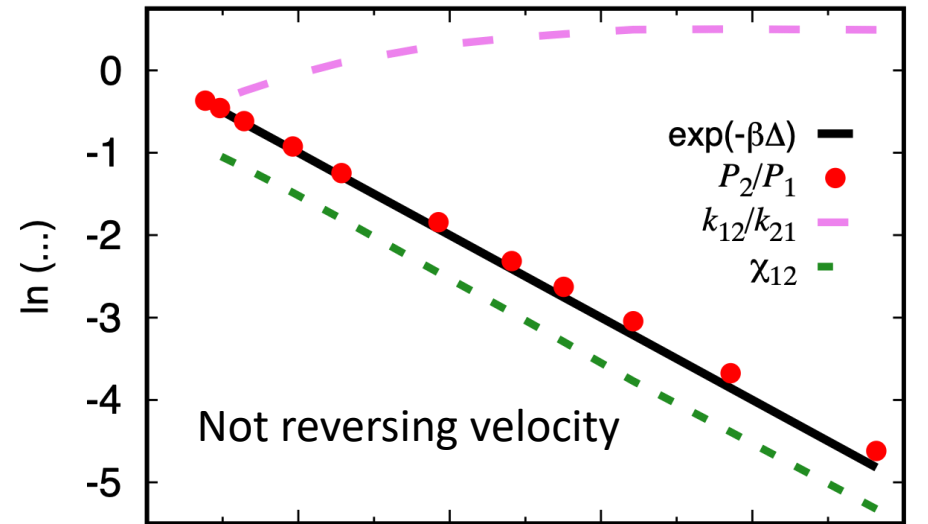
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# Quantum Boltzmann distribution

Quantum Boltzmann populations are preserved if:

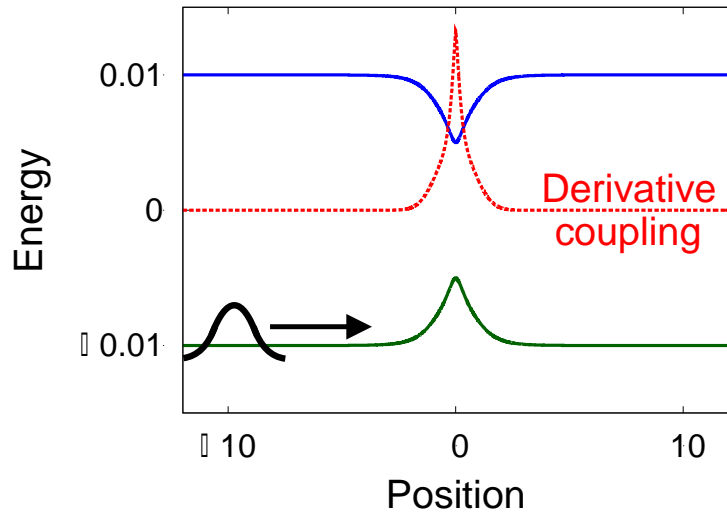
- (1) Ratio of attempted upward and downward transitions ( $k_{\alpha\beta}/k_{\beta\alpha}$ ) is to unity.
- (2) Fraction of accepted upward hops ( $\chi_{\alpha\beta}$ ) is equal to Boltzmann factor  $\exp(-\beta\Delta)$ .

Q: Does it have an adverse effect on the dynamics?



# Frustrated hops in RPSH dynamics

## Tully model I: Single avoided crossing

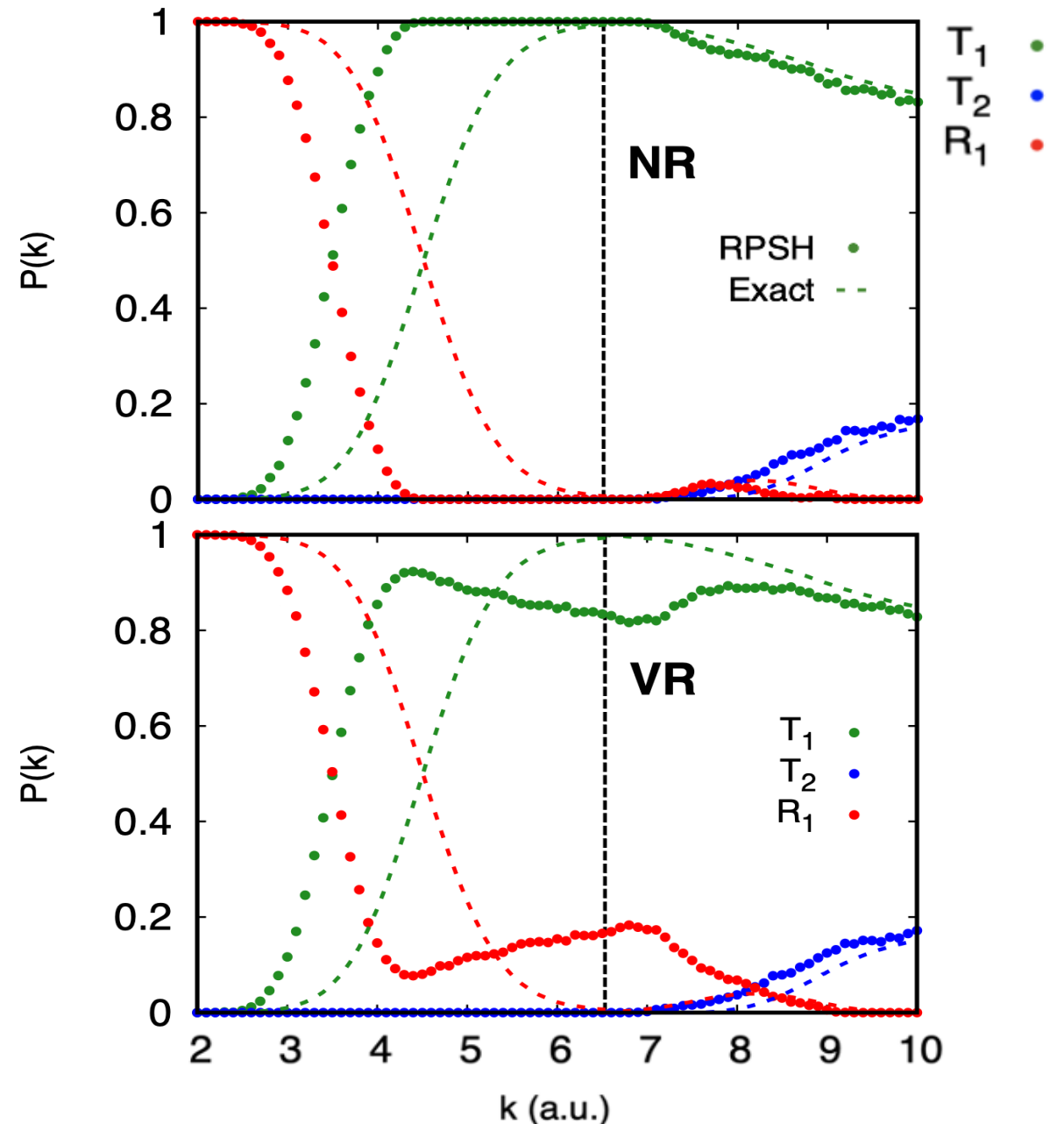


Deterministic  
momentum

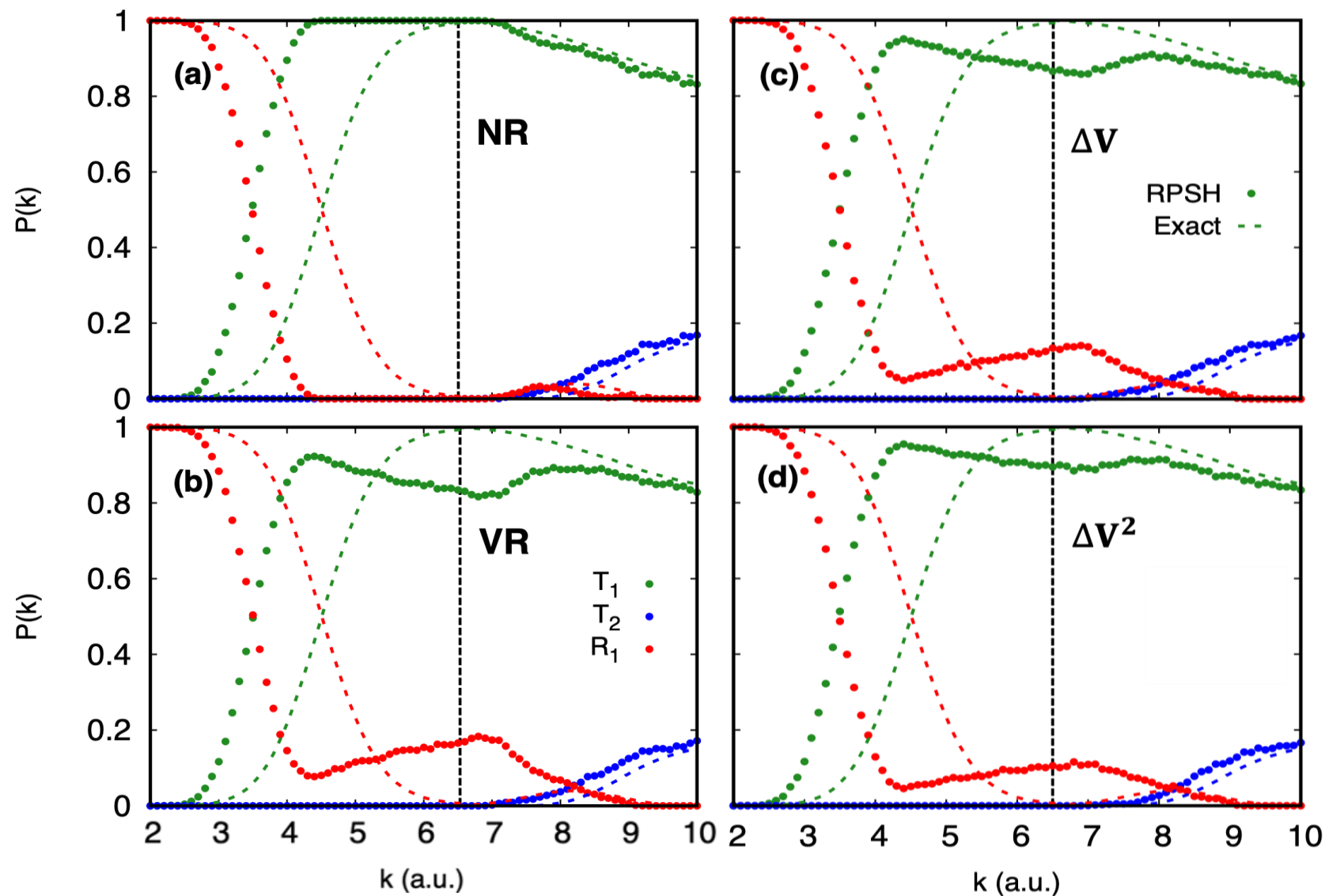
Branching probabilities as a function of  
initial nuclear momentum

T1/R1: transmission/reflection on state 1

T2/R2: transmission/reflection on state 2



# Frustrated hops in RPSH dynamics



# SHARP pack software package



- RPSH is available to public in the context of a **modular software package**, SHARP pack

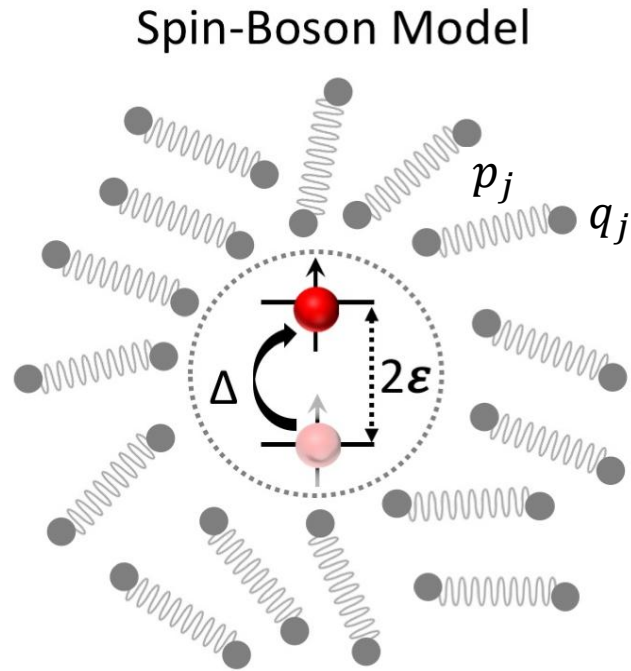
<https://github.com/SoftwareImpacts/SIMPAC-2023-481>

- Developed in Fortran 90.
- A flexible and user-friendly input/output handling system
- Comes with a variety of built-in models for method benchmarking.
- The modular architecture enhances the software's flexibility and adaptability, enabling integration of new methodologies or models.

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#SHARP PACK INPUT PARAMETERS  
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ntraj         10000  
ncpu          1  
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vinitial      'fixed'  
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# Fleshing out the method: Condensed-phase non-adiabatic dynamics

**Spin-boson model** is a widely used system to benchmark simulation methods for non-adiabatic dynamics in the condensed phases.



Total Hamiltonian:  $H = H_s + H_b + H_{sb}$

$$H_s = \epsilon \sigma_z + \Delta \sigma_x = \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon & \Delta \\ \Delta & -\epsilon \end{pmatrix}$$

$$H_b = \sum_j \frac{1}{2} (p_j^2 + \omega_j^2 q_j^2)$$

$$H_{sb} = \sigma_z \sum_j c_j q_j = \begin{pmatrix} \sum_j c_j q_j & 0 \\ 0 & -\sum_j c_j q_j \end{pmatrix}$$

The influence of the bath on the dynamics of the system can be captured in the compact form of a spectral density.

↗ Reorganization energy

$$\text{Debye spectral density: } J(\omega) = \frac{E_r}{2} \frac{\omega \omega_c}{\omega^2 + \omega_c^2}$$



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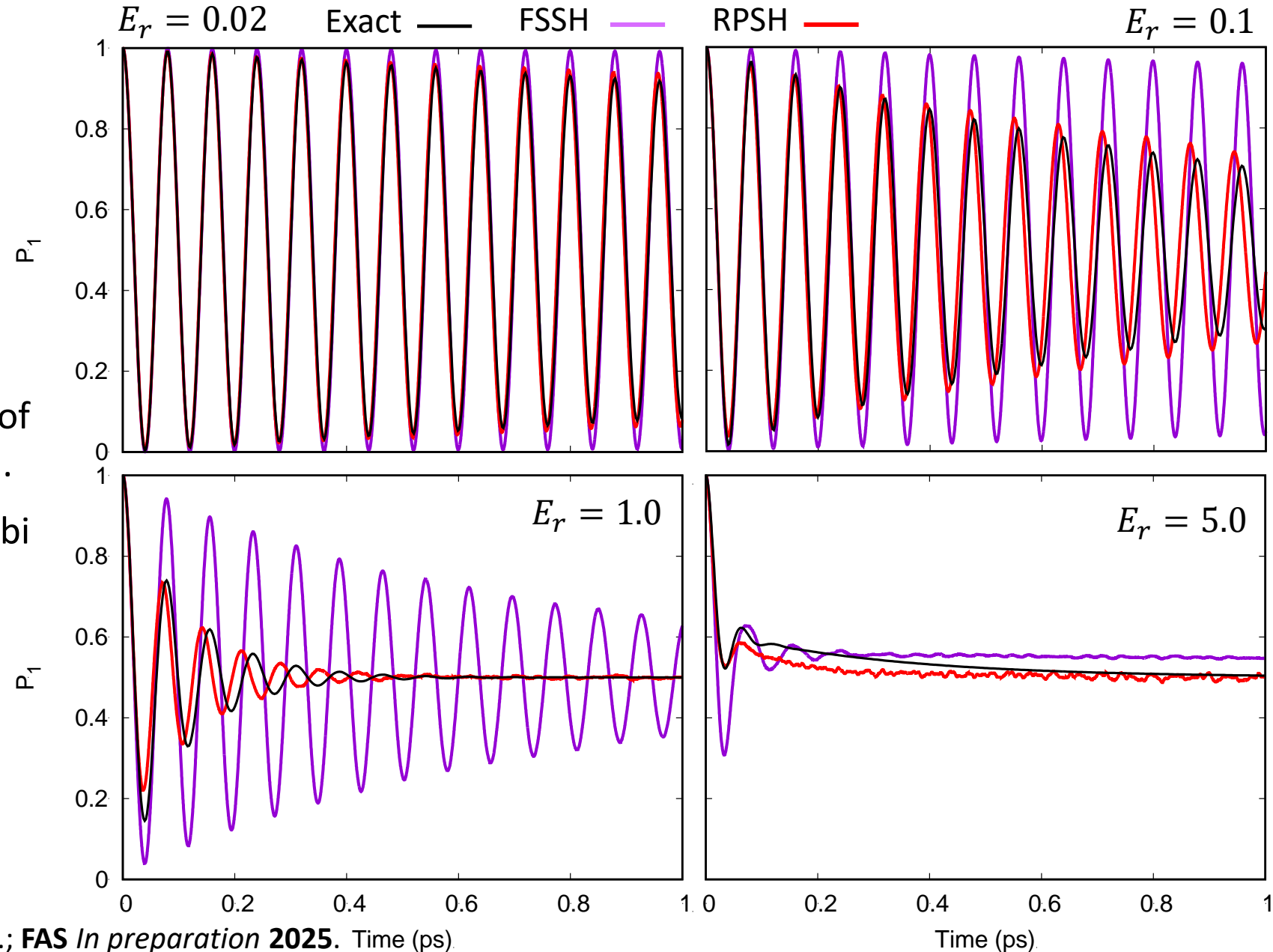
# Spin-boson model: Benchmarking RPSH at low temperature limit

- High diabatic coupling,  $\Delta = 1.0$  (in reference unit of  $208.5 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ )
- No energy bias between electronic donor and acceptor,  $\epsilon = 0.0$

Increasing number of beads:

- (1) Correcting the underestimation of population transfer seen in FSSH.
- (2) Deviating from correct Rabi oscillations.

**Developing  
Thermostatted RPSH**





# Zhu-Nakamura theory of nonadiabatic dynamics

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- Zhu-Nakamura (ZN) theory of nonadiabatic transitions.
  - Probability of nonadiabatic transitions are expressed in simple analytical formula based the shape of PES.
  - Applicable to diabatic and adiabatic surfaces.
  - It also provides analytical formula for classically forbidden transitions.
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- We expect to see a drastic time-efficiency.
  - It will be compatible with the use of machine learning potentials (MLPs) for condensed-phase simulations.
  - We have recently developed the first MLP for 2D electrically conductive metal-organic frameworks.

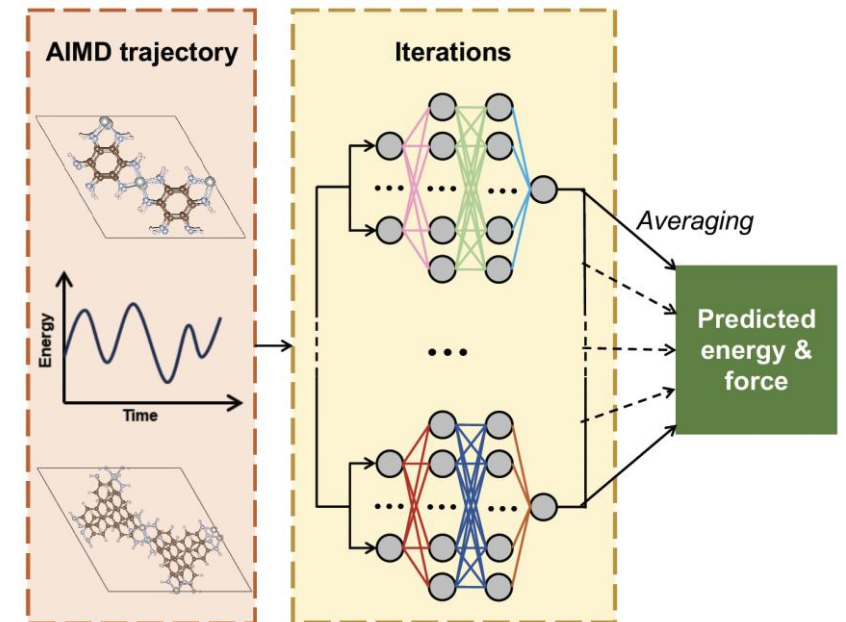
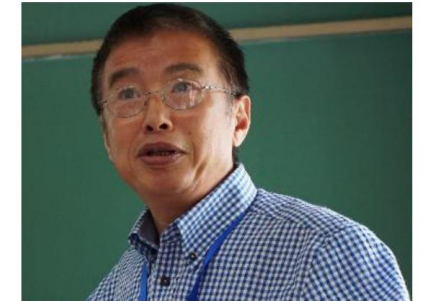
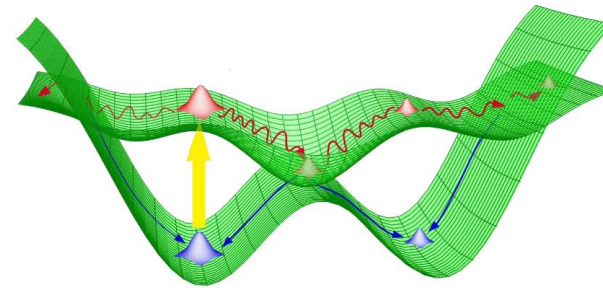
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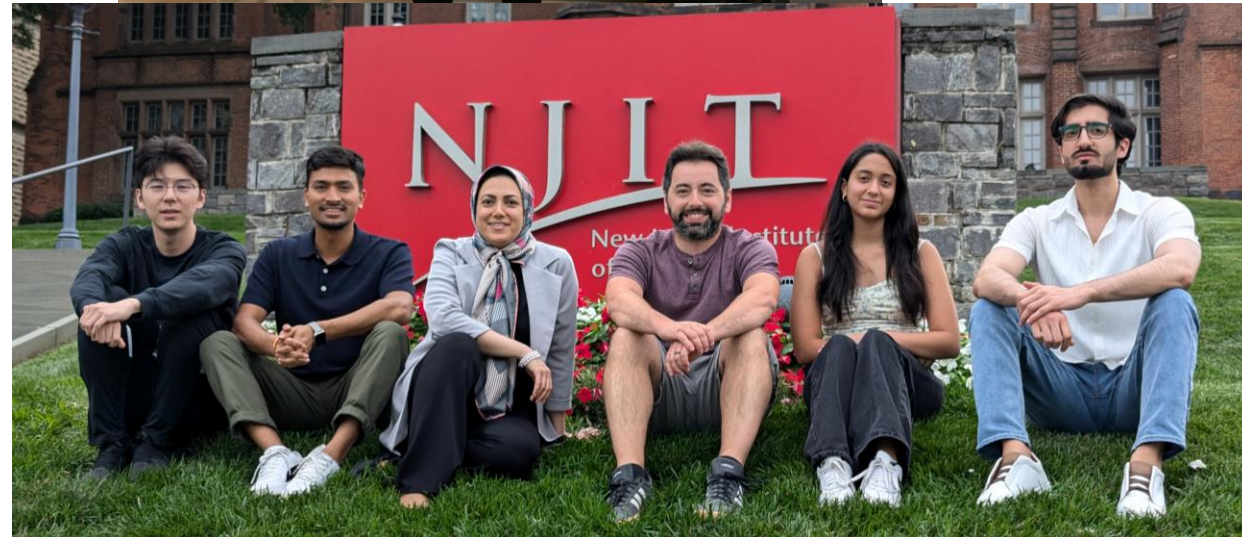
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