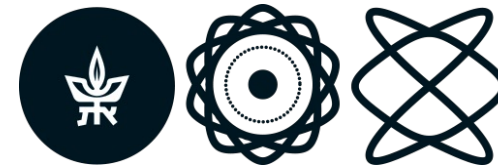


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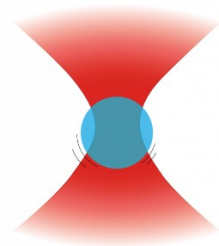
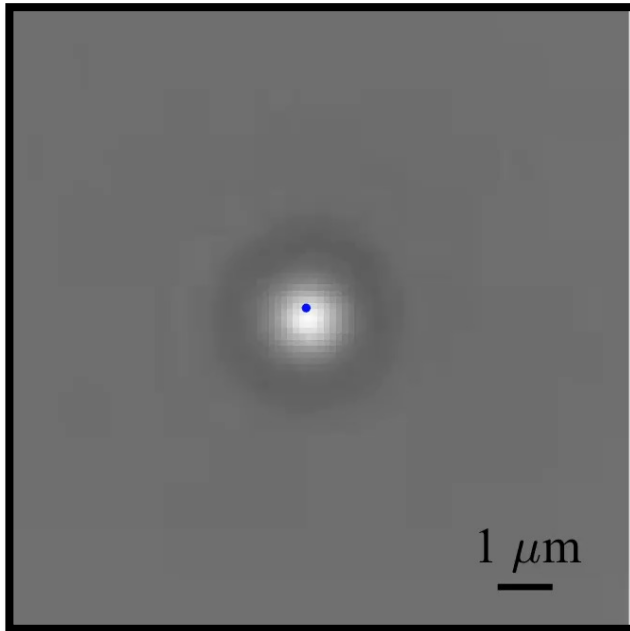
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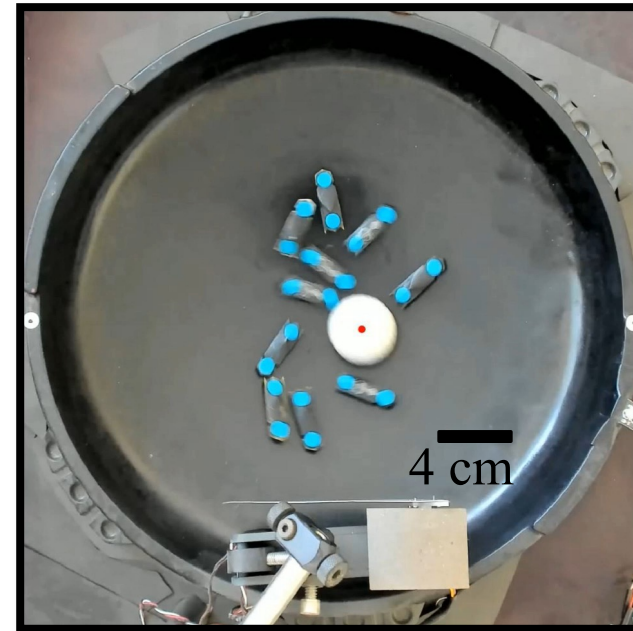
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Thermal or active forces?

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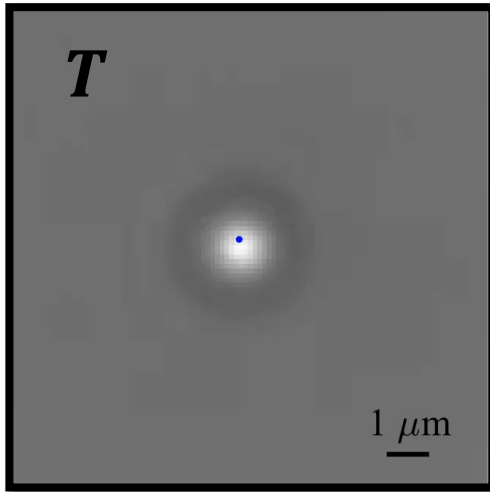


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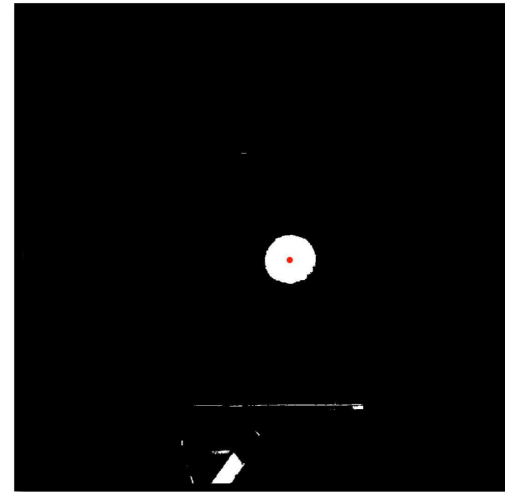
Thermal or active forces?

Thermal fluctuations:



- Markovian dynamics.
- Equilibrium FDT: temperature.

Active fluctuations:



- Non-Markovian dynamics?
- Generalized FDR?

- Effective temperature?

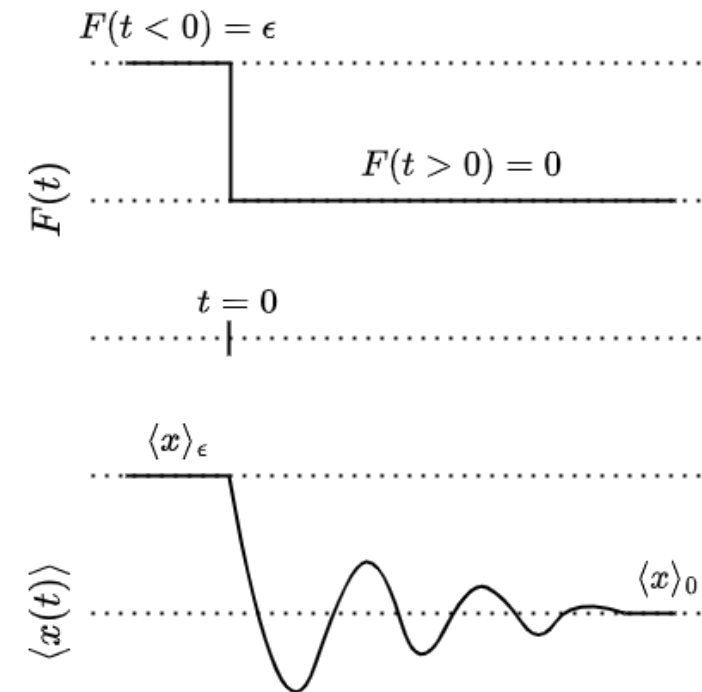
Fluctuation – Dissipation Theorem: a test for equilibrium

□ A step-stimulus: $F(t) = \epsilon \cdot \Theta(-t)$

□ The Fluctuation – Dissipation Relation (FDR):

$$\langle x(t > 0) \rangle = \frac{\epsilon}{k_B T} \langle x(t') x(t' + t) \rangle_0 \equiv \frac{\epsilon}{k_B T} C_{xx}(t)$$

□ If violated: the system operates out-of-equilibrium.



Generalized (linear) FDR: a test for Markovianity

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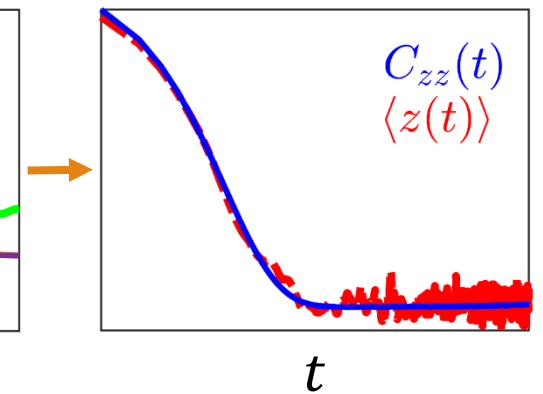
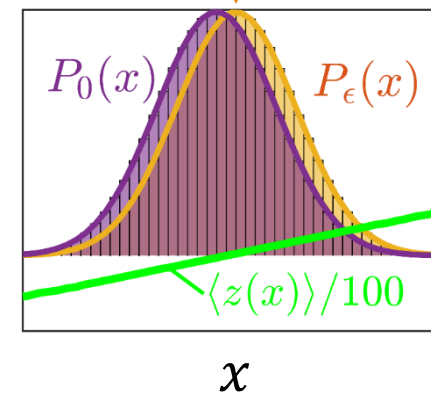
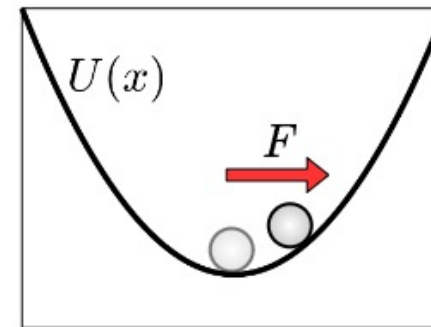
$$z_L(x(t)) \equiv \epsilon \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \epsilon} \ln P_\epsilon(x) \Big|_{\epsilon=0}$$

$$\langle z_L(t > 0) \rangle = C_{zz}(t)$$

□ **If violated: the coordinate $\{x\}$ is non-Markovian.**

□ Restricted to linear-response: extensive amount of trials.

$$[\dot{x} = -\mu kx + f(t) + \sqrt{2\mu k_B T} \xi_{th}(t)]$$



Nonlinear FDR

an efficient test for Markovianity

□ A step – stimulus: $F(t) = \epsilon \cdot \Theta(-t)$

□ Nonlinear FDR:

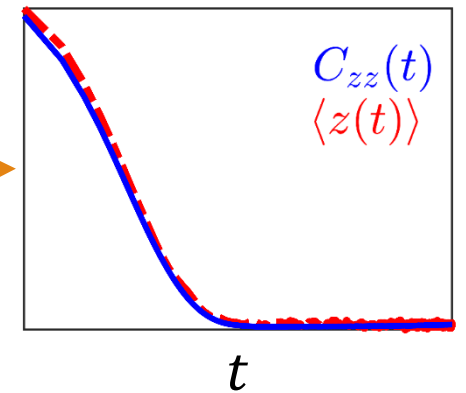
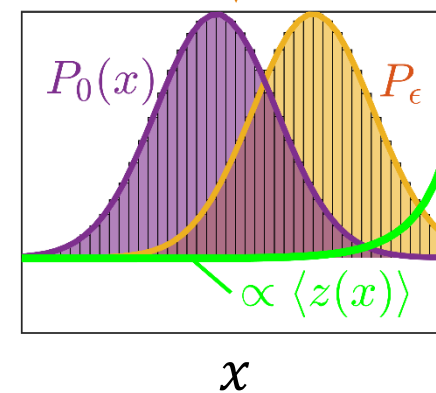
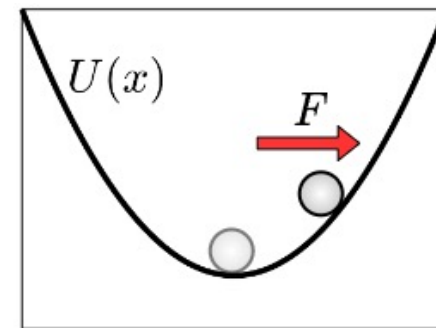
$$z_{NL}(x(t)) \equiv \frac{P_\epsilon(x)}{P_0(x)} - 1$$

$$\langle z_{NL}(t > 0) \rangle = C_{zz}(t)$$

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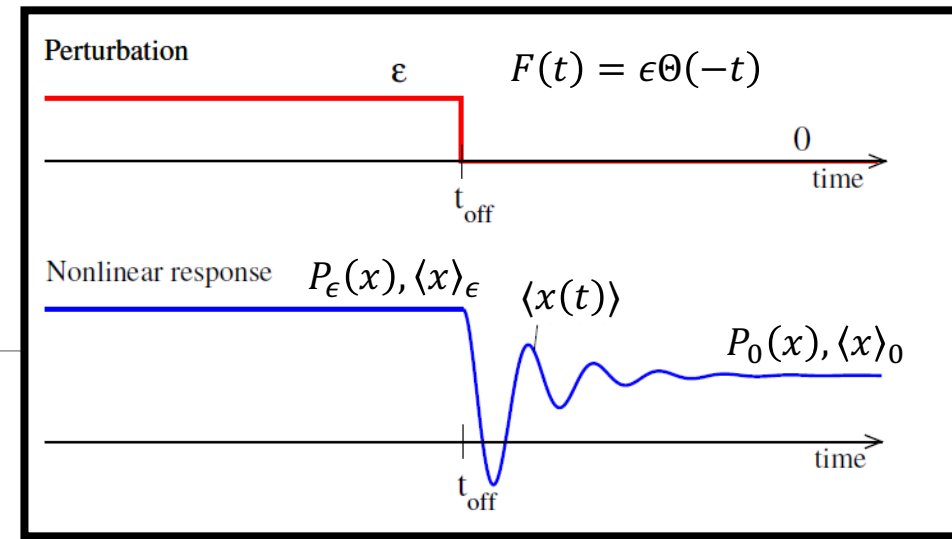
□ Not restricted to weak perturbations: requires less averaging.

$$[\dot{x} = -\mu kx + f(t) + \sqrt{2\mu k_B T} \xi_{th}(t)]$$



NL-FDR: step-like response derivation

$$\underline{z(x)} \equiv \left(\frac{P_\epsilon(x)}{P_0(x)} - 1 \right) \quad - \quad \text{Conjugated variable.}$$

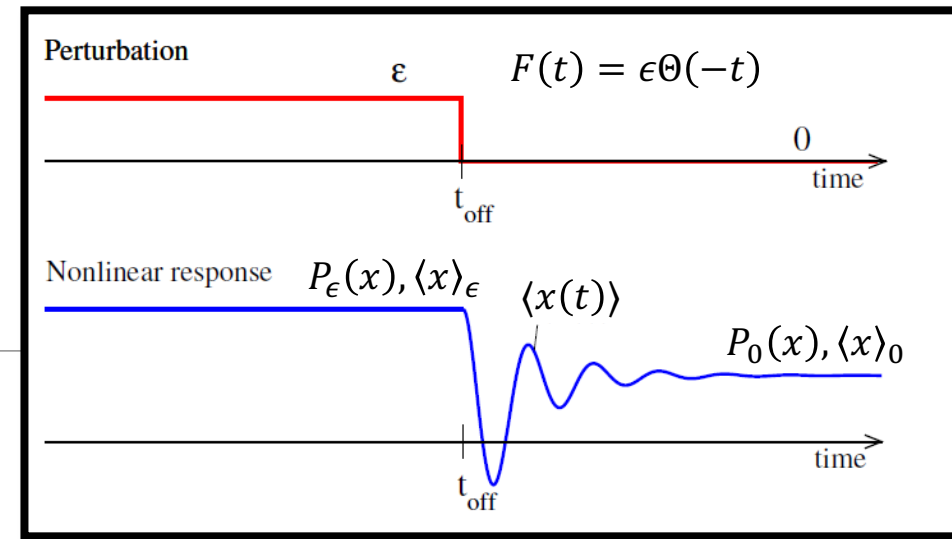


$$\langle z(x(t)) \rangle = \int dx_1 \int dx_2 \cdot z(x_2) \cdot P_0(x_2, t | x_1, t_{\text{off}}) \cdot P_\epsilon(x_1) \quad - \quad \text{mean value of } z(x(t > t_{\text{off}})).$$

$$\langle \delta z(x(t)) \rangle \equiv \langle z(x(t)) \rangle - \langle z(x(t)) \rangle_0 = \int dx_1 \int dx_2 \cdot z(x_2) \cdot (P_\epsilon(x_1) - P_0(x_1)) \cdot P_0(x_2, t | x_1, t_{\text{off}})$$

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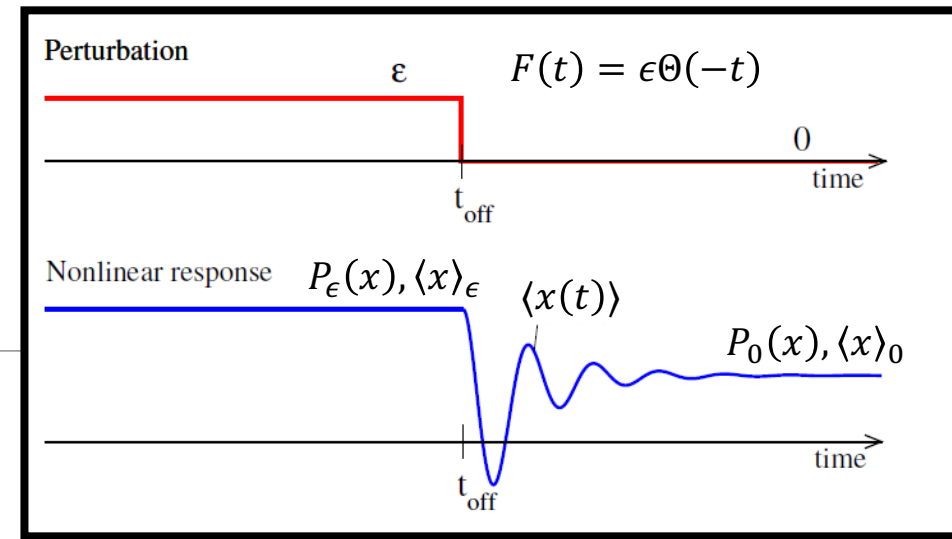


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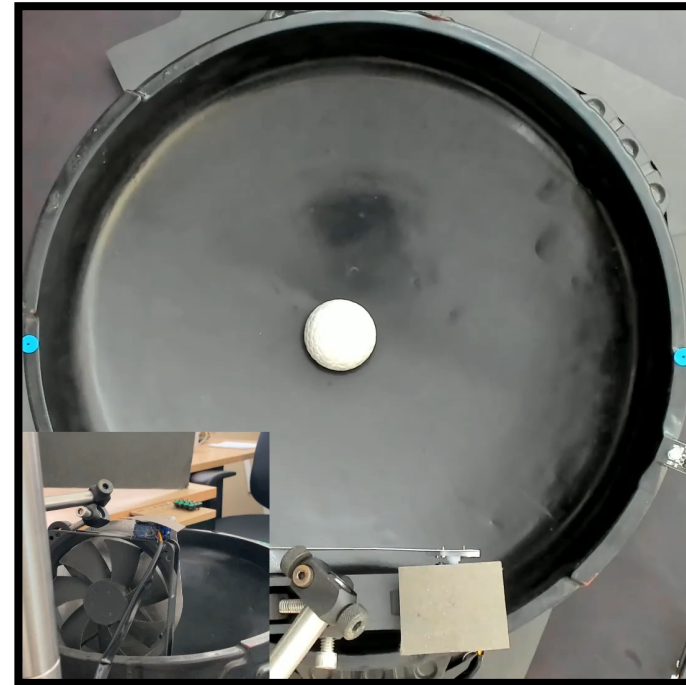
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$$\langle z(\tau) \rangle = \langle z(\tau) z(0) \rangle_0 \equiv C_{zz}(\tau) \quad - \quad \underline{\text{Nonlinear fluctuation-response relation.}}$$

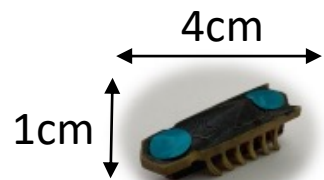
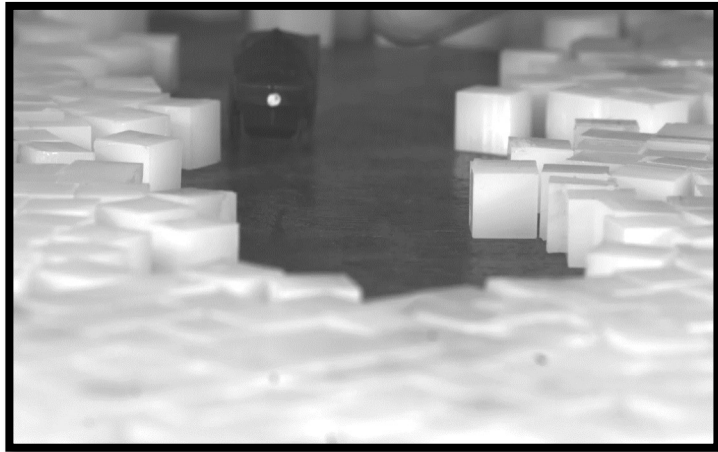
The system: mechanical perturbation

- ❑ The amplitude of the perturbation is controlled by the fan voltage.
- ❑ A shutter is added to simulate a step – stimulus.

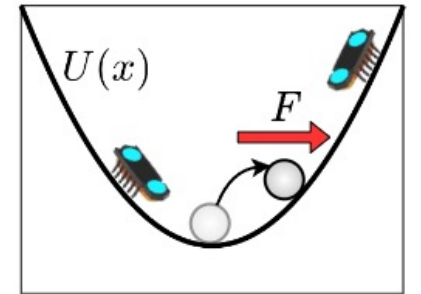
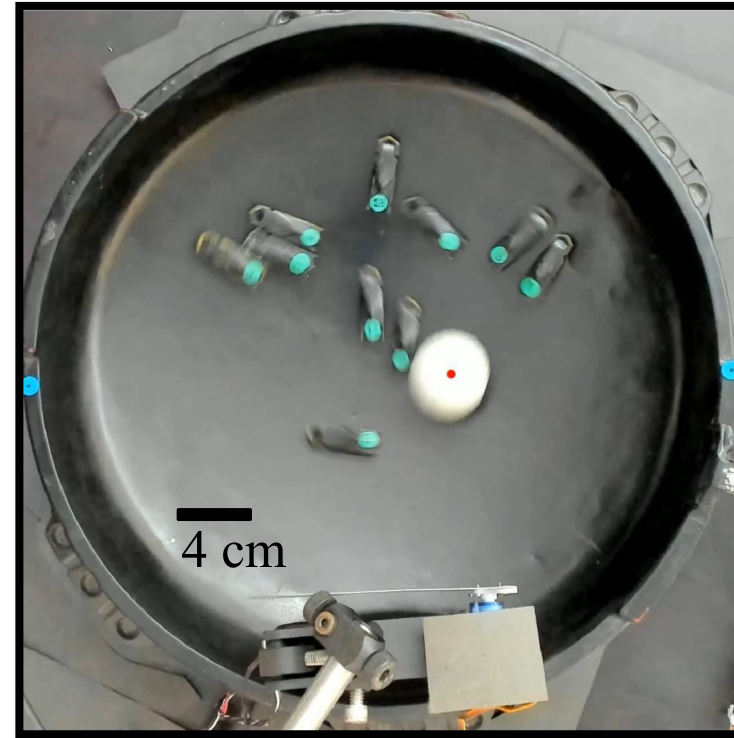


The system: bristlebots

Self-propelled bristlebots:

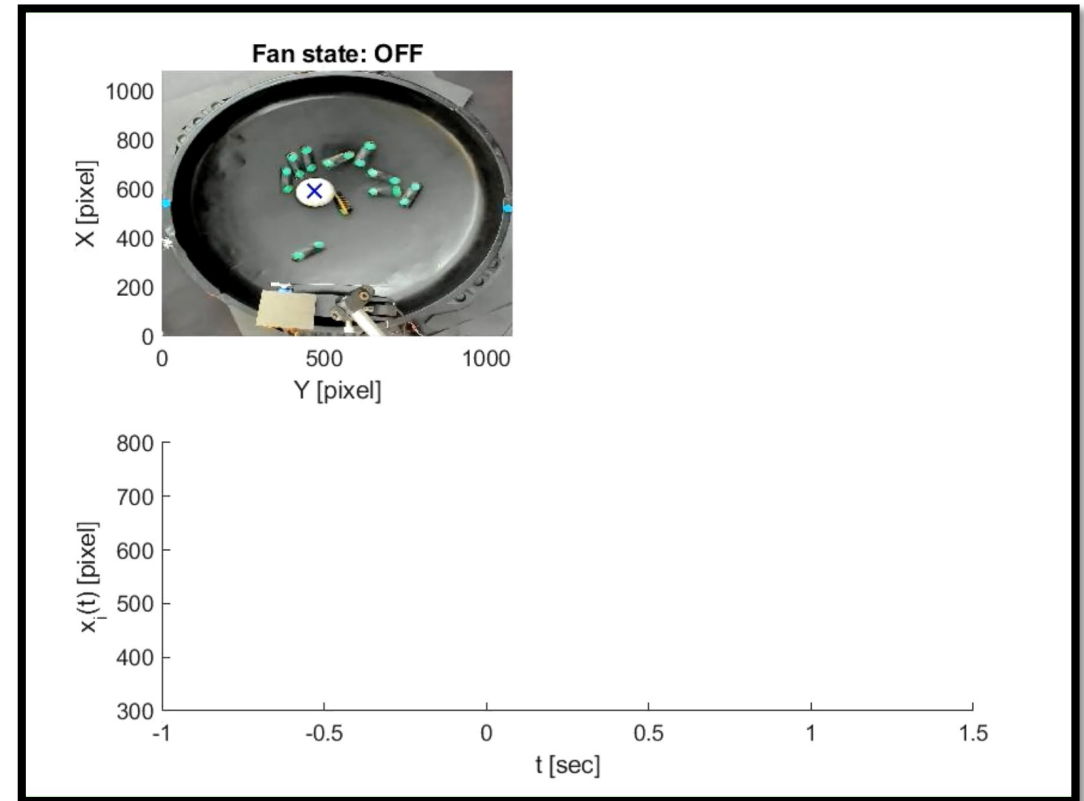


Bristlebots in a harmonic trap



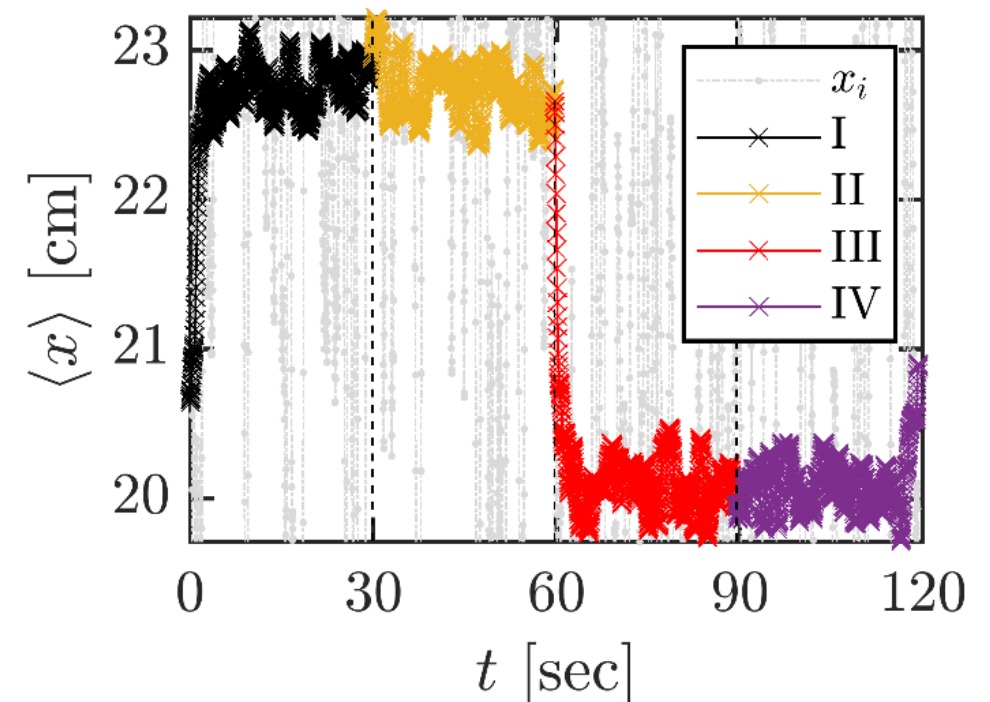
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- The steady-state densities and the nonlinear conjugated variable $z(x(t))$ are obtained.



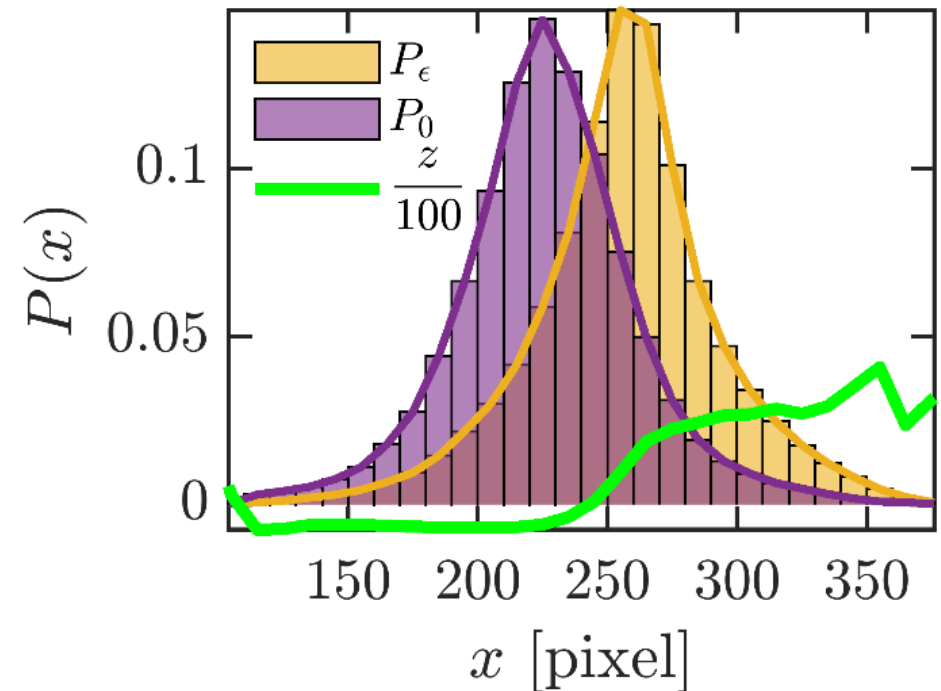
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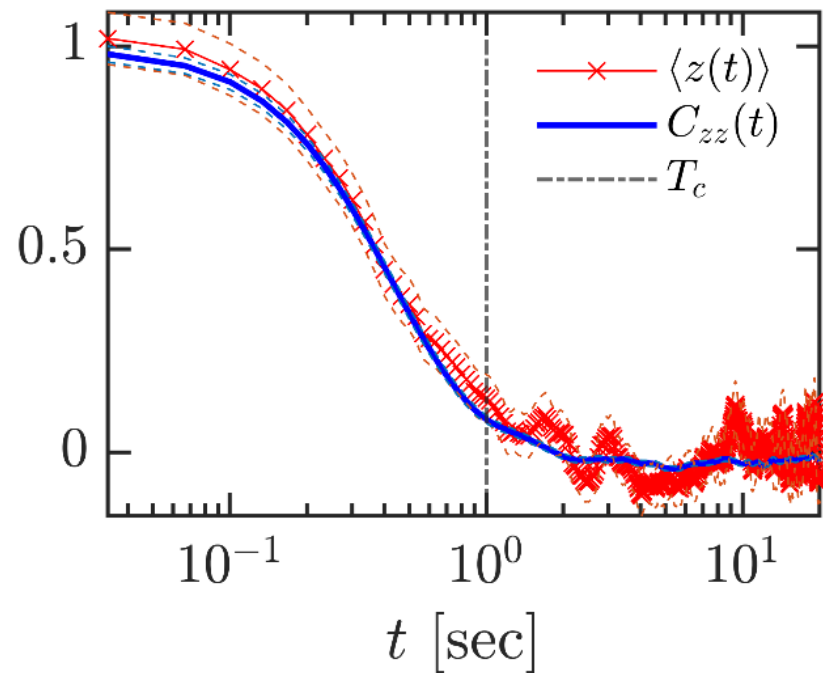


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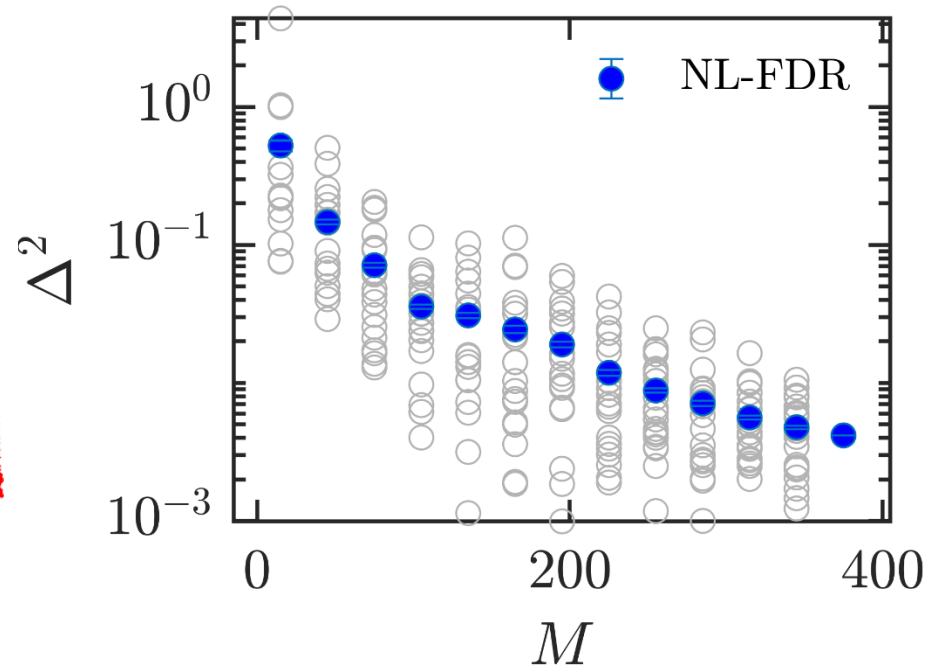
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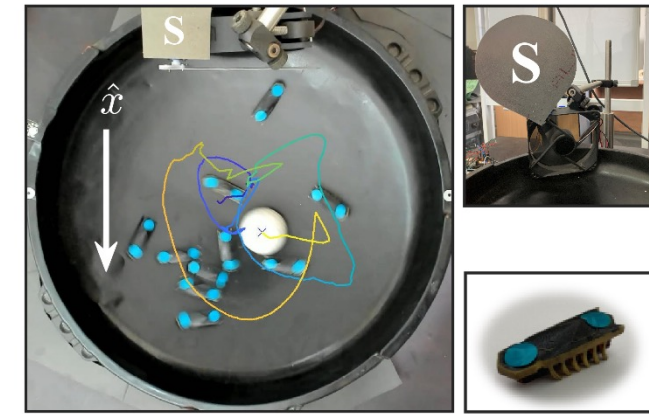
Results: verification of the NL-FDR



$$\langle z(t) \rangle = \langle z(t + \tau)z(t) \rangle_0$$

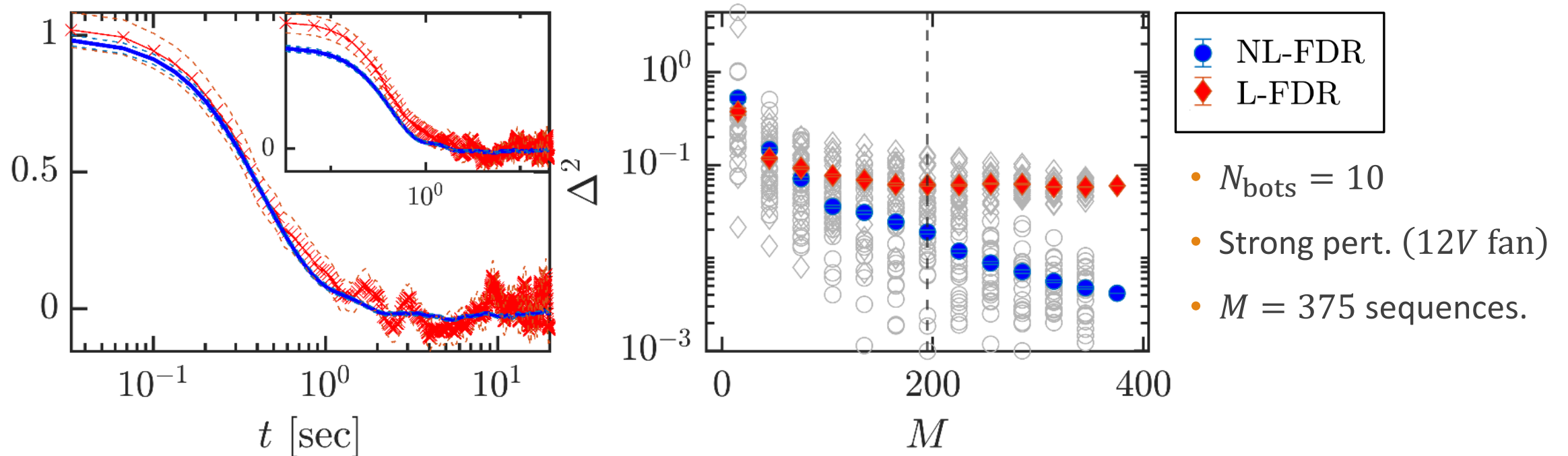


Δ^2 - relative squared deviations



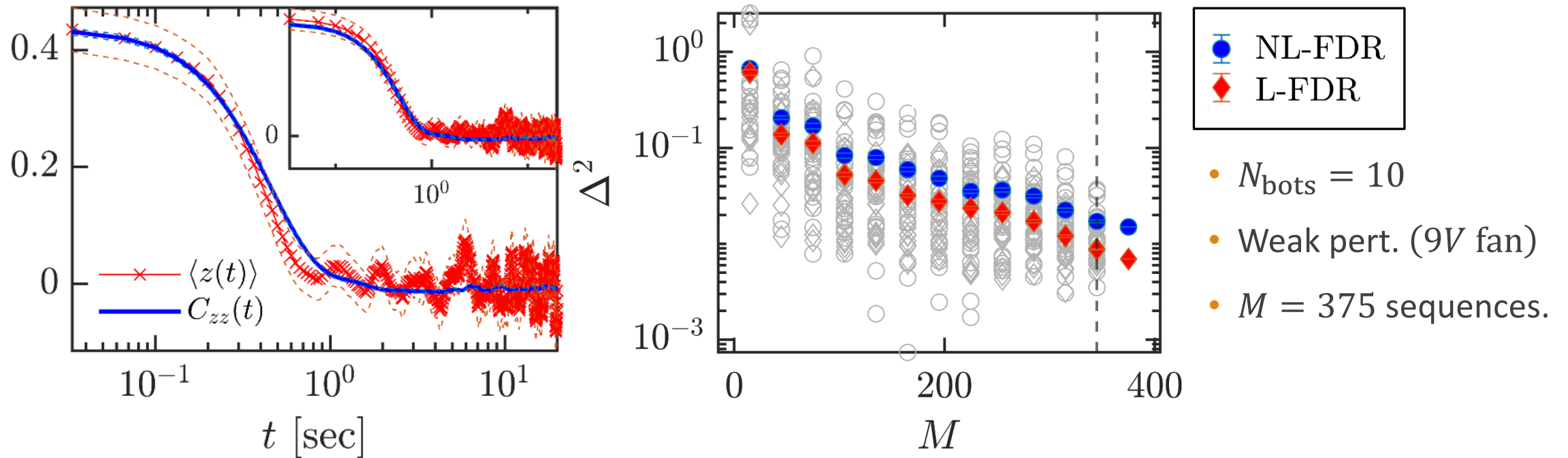
- $N_{\text{bots}} = 10$
- Strong pert. (12V fan)
- $M = 375$ sequences.

Results: convergence in the nonlinear regime



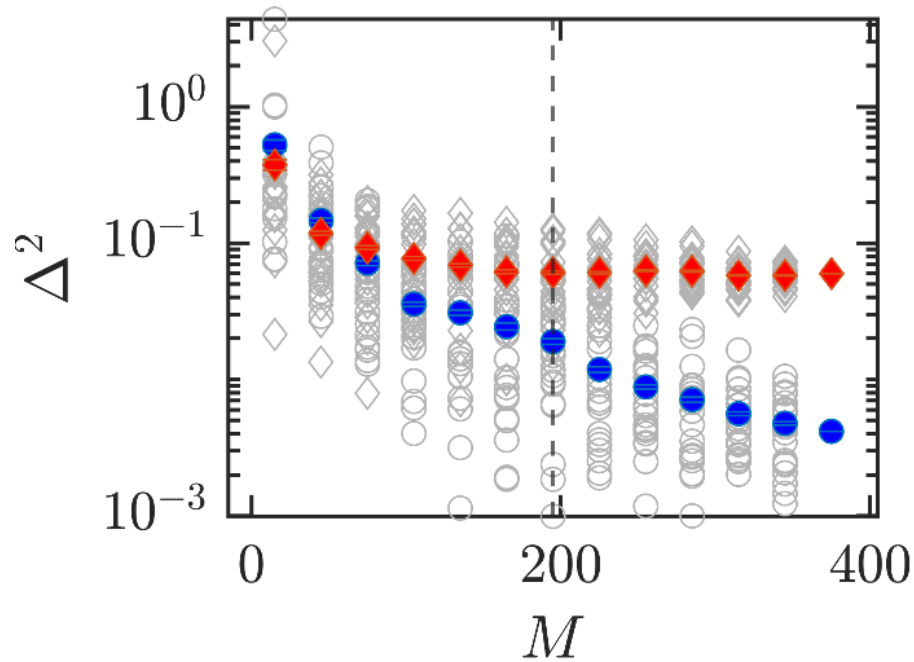
Inset: linear FDR violation for a strong perturbation.

Results: both relations verified in the linear regime

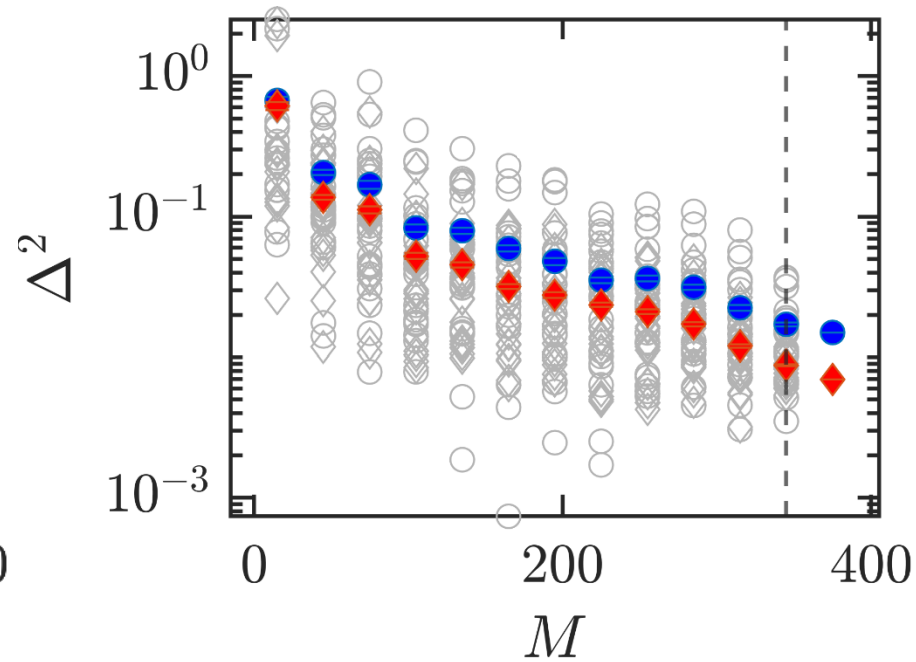


Inset: linear FDR verified for a weak perturbation.

Results: relative-squared-deviation



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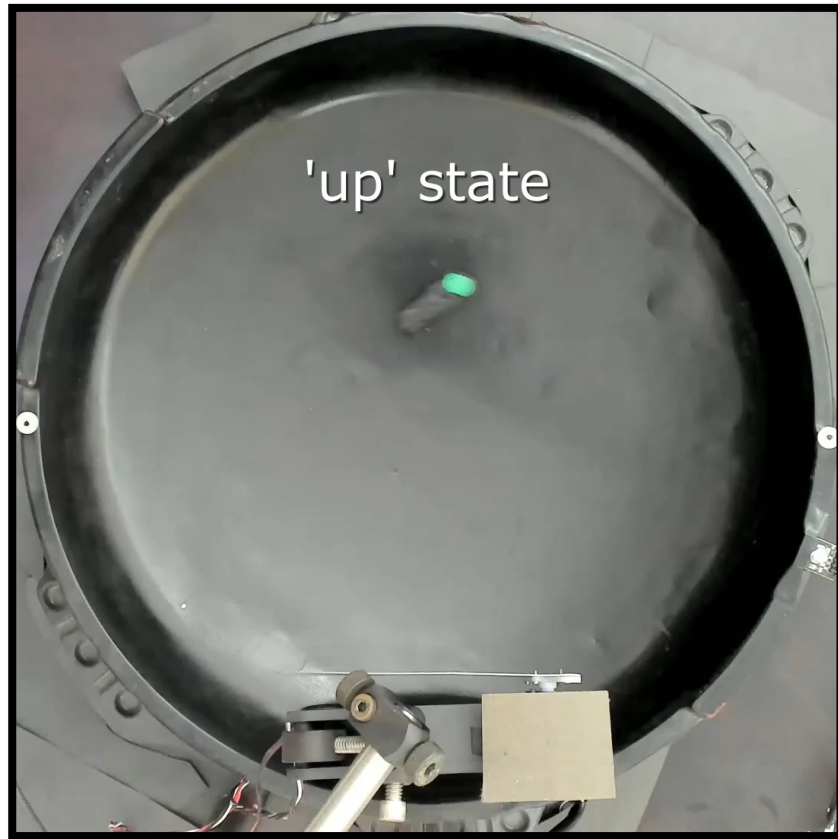


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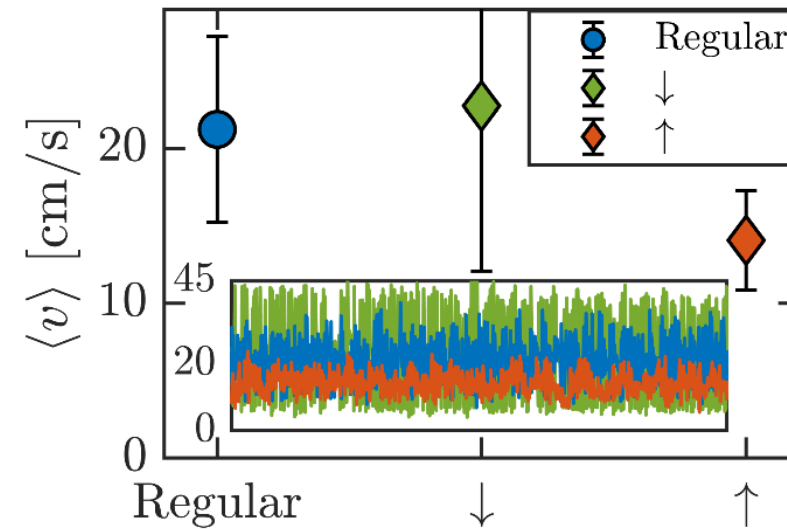


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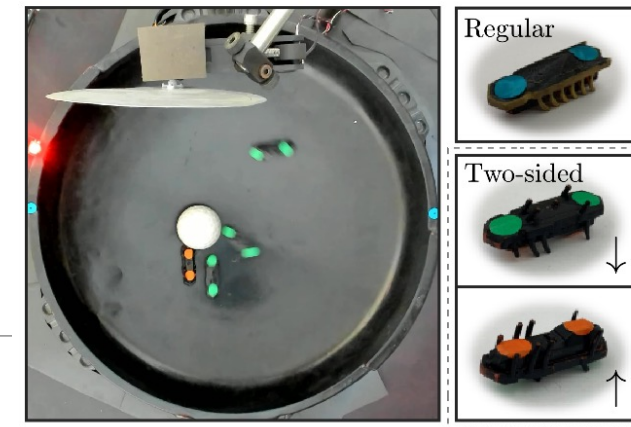
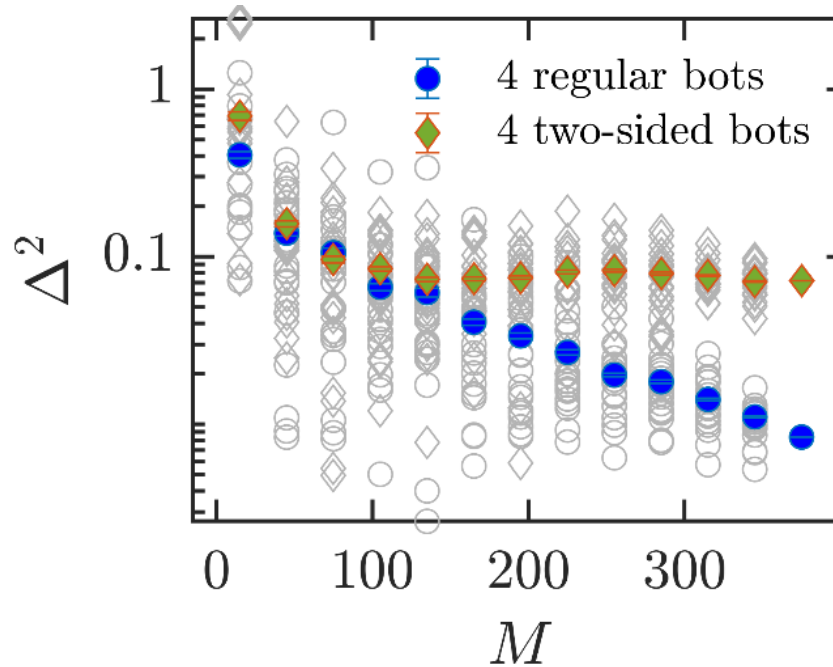
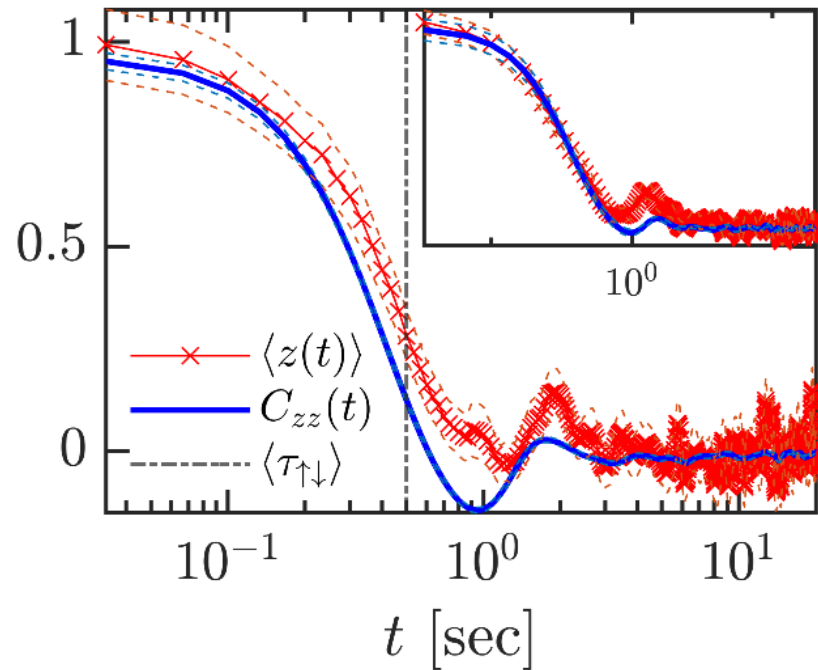
Non-Markovian setup: violation of the NL-FDR



- All **green** 'states' → 'uniform' system state.
- Otherwise (**green & orange**) → 'mixed' system state.



Non-Markovian setup: violation of the NL-FDR



- $N_{\text{bots}} = 4$ two-sided.
- Strong pert. (12V fan)
- $M = 375$ sequences.

Inset: 4 'regular' bots NL-FDR.

Conclusions: non-linear FDR for Markovian systems

- We presented the NL-FDR as a model-free tool to exclude Markovianity.
- The NL-FDR was experimentally verified in the nonlinear force regime. Requiring significantly less data than the linear FDR.
- We witnessed a violation of the NL-FDR in a non-Markovian system.
- **The NL-FDR is an experimentally accessible tool to exclude Markovianity.**

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