

# Mathematical and Computational challenges in Stochastic/Deterministic Hybrid Systems

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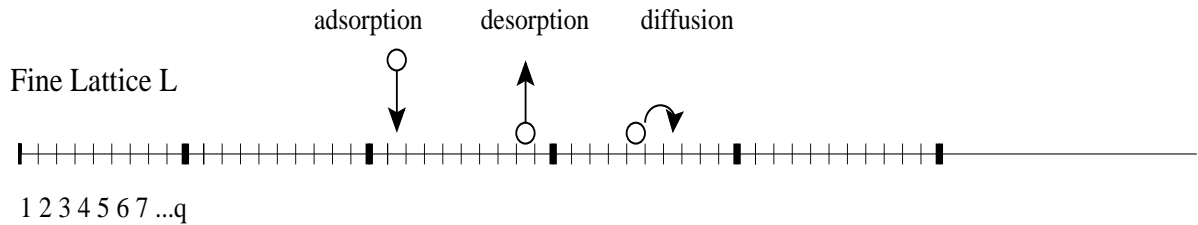
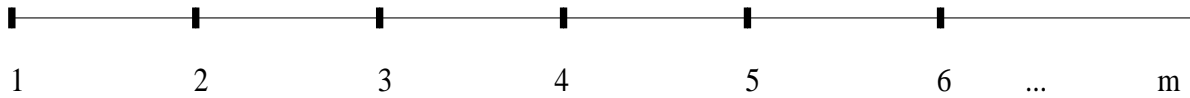
## Some hybrid deterministic/stochastic systems

1. Microscopically active interface or boundary layer interacting with an adjacent "bulk" fluid phase.
2. Rheology of polymers: *micro-macro* models.

Fluids equations at the macroscopic level coupled with kinetic or stochastic equations ruling the evolution of the fluid microstructure at the meso- or micro- scale, e.g. FENE-type models or coupled Monte Carlo with fluid dynamics.

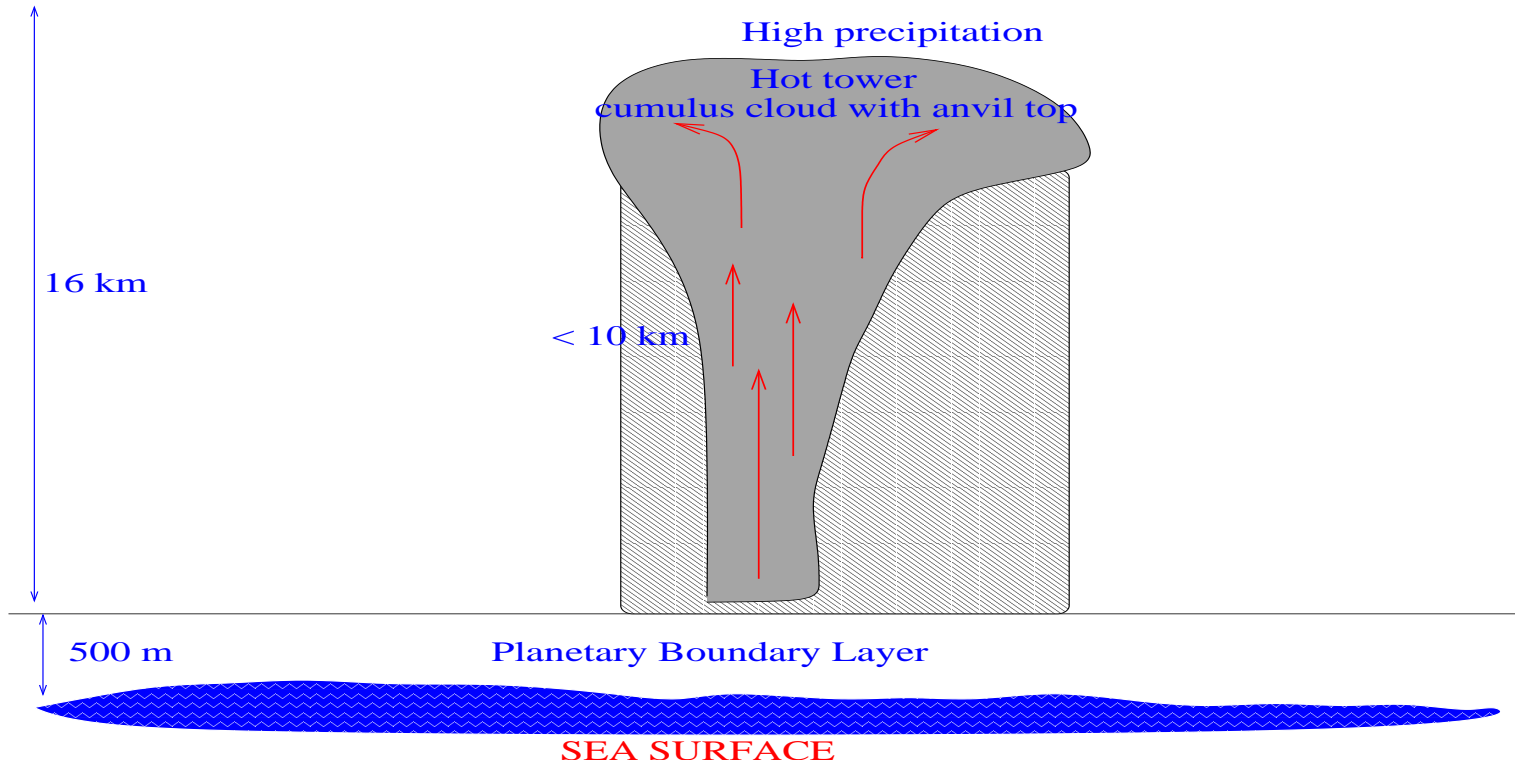
**Surface processes:** Catalysis, Chemical Vapor Deposition, epitaxial growth, etc.

Coarse Lattice  $L_C$



[Vlachos, Schmidt, Aris, J. Chem. Phys 1990]

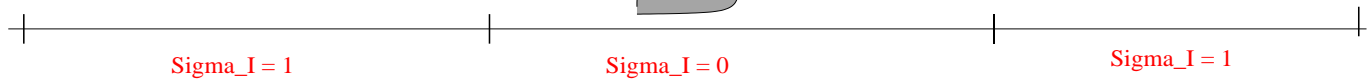
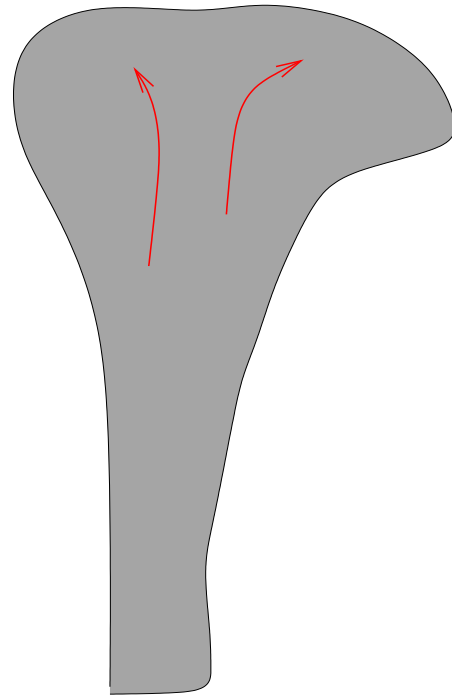
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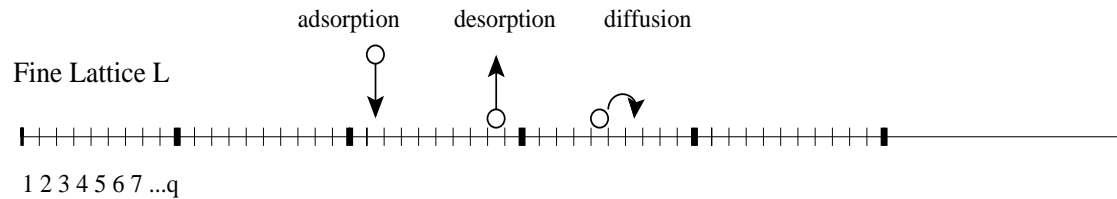
[Majda, Khouider, PNAS 2001]



# “Particles” and sub-grid scale effects:



Coarse Lattice  $L_C$



$$\partial_t X = F[X, \sigma] \quad (\text{PDE/ODE system})$$

$$\partial_t E f(\sigma) = E L_X f(\sigma) \quad (\text{stochastic model})$$

$X$ : Fluid/thermodynamic variables defined on top grid

$L_X$ : generator of the subgrid stochastic process  $\sigma$  defined on the lower grid (subgrid)

## Some challenges and questions:

- Disparity in scales **and** models; DNS require ensemble averages for a large system.
- Model reduction, however no scale separation: need hierarchical **coarse-graining**.
- Deterministic vs. stochastic closures; when is **stochasticity** important?
- **Error control**, stability of the hybrid algorithm; efficient allocation of computational resources: adaptivity, model and mesh refinement.

## MODEL SYSTEM

$$\partial_t X = f(X, \bar{\sigma}) \quad (\text{ODE})$$

$$\partial_t E f(\sigma) = E L_X f(\sigma) \quad (\text{stochastic lattice model})$$

$L_X$ : generator of a **spatial** stochastic process  $\sigma_t(x)$ .

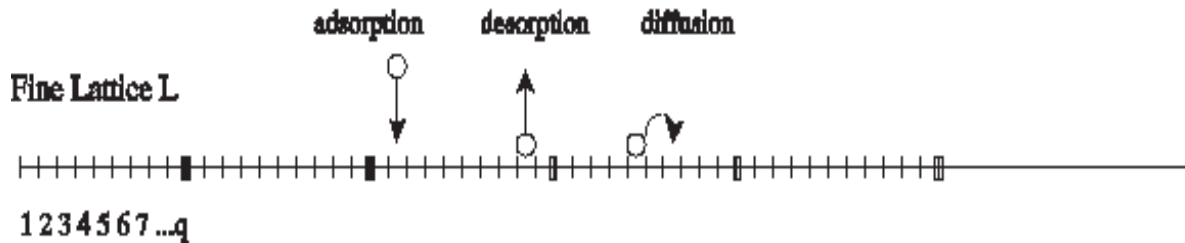
$f(x) = f(x, \bar{\sigma})$ : scalar bistable, saddle node, or spatially homogeneous complex Ginzburg-Landau equation (Hopf bifurcations), etc.

- $h = h(X)$ : external field to the microscopic system.
- $\bar{\sigma} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_x \sigma_t(x)$ : area fraction (spatial average).

Special case: well-mixed, CSTR reactors

[Vlachos et al, J. Chem. Phys 1990].

Arrhenius adsorption/desorption dynamics:



$\sigma(x) = 0$  or  $1$  (site  $x$  is resp. empty or occupied).

**Jump rate:**  $c(x, \sigma, X) = c_0 \exp \left[ -\beta (U_0 + U(x)) \right]$

**Generator:**  $L_X f(\sigma) = \sum_x c(x, \sigma, X) [f(\sigma^x) - f(\sigma)]$

$U_0(x) + U(x)$ : Energy barrier a particle has to overcome in jumping from a lattice site to the gas phase.

- Interaction energy at  $x$ :

$$U(x) = U(x, \sigma, X) = \sum_{z \neq x} J(x - z) \sigma(z) - h(X).$$

Coupling of the two systems:  $h = h(X), f = f(x, \bar{\sigma})$ .

- $h(X) = cX + h_0$ , or  $h(X) = c|X|^2 + h_0$
- $\bar{\sigma}$ : affects the bifurcation diagram of the ODE

**CGL:**  $f(\vec{X}, \sigma) = (a(\bar{\sigma}) + i\omega)\vec{X} - \gamma|\vec{X}|^2\vec{X} + \hat{\gamma}\vec{X}^*$

**Bistable:**  $f(X, \sigma) = a(\bar{\sigma})X + \gamma X^3$ ,

**Saddle:**  $f(X, \sigma) = a(\bar{\sigma}) + \gamma X^2$ ,

**Linear:**  $f(X, \sigma) = a\bar{\sigma} + b - cX$

## I. Deterministic closures

- Mean field models (uniform interactions in the micro-model)
- Local mean field models (long-range interactions)
- **Stochastic averaging** (time scale separation)

$$\partial_t X = f(X, \bar{\sigma}) \quad (\text{ODE})$$

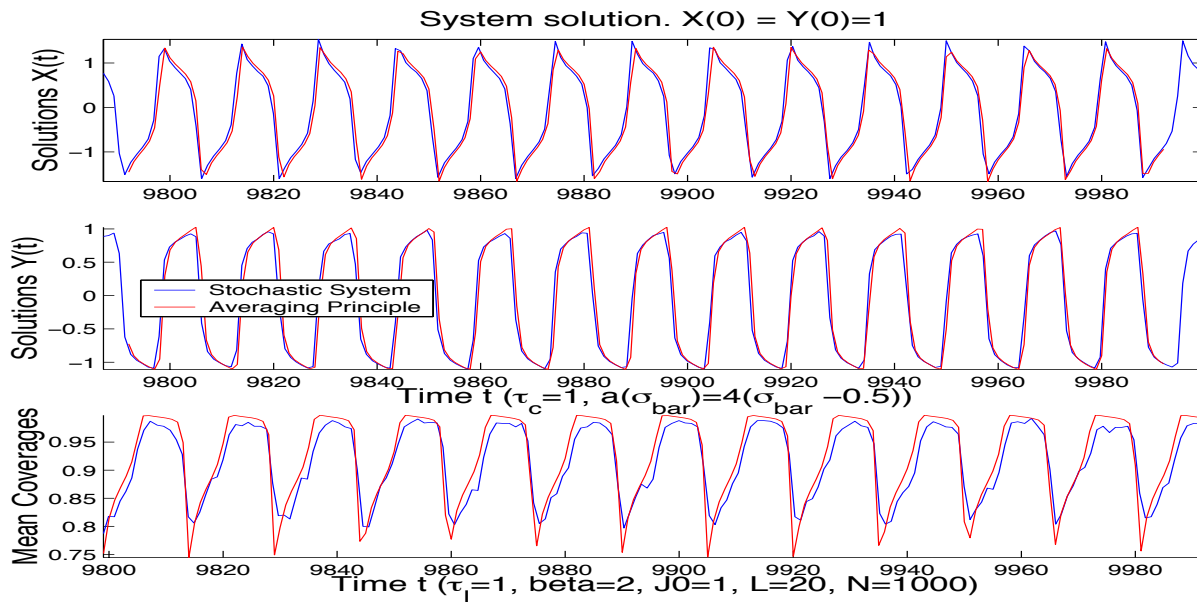
$$\partial_t E f(\sigma) = \frac{1}{\epsilon} E L_X f(\sigma) \quad (\text{stochastic lattice model})$$

Then, [Khasminskii, Kurtz, Papanicolaou, etc. for SDE]

$$\partial_t X = \bar{f}(X), \quad \bar{f}(x) = \int_{\Sigma} f(x, \bar{\sigma}) \mu^x_{\text{equil}}(d\sigma),$$

provided:

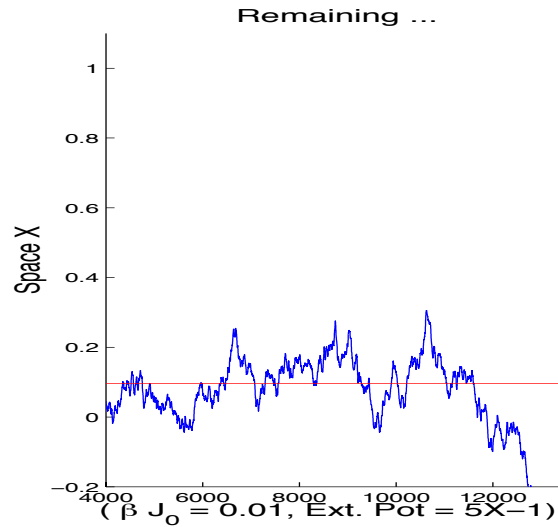
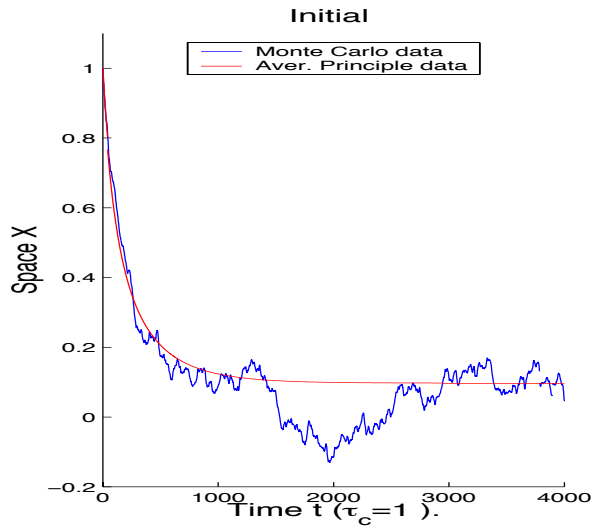
1.  $\epsilon \ll 1$
2. No phase transitions in the microscopic model (i.e. weak interactions)
3. Finite time interval derivation.

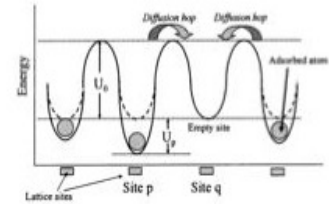


When **stochastic fluctuations** become important?

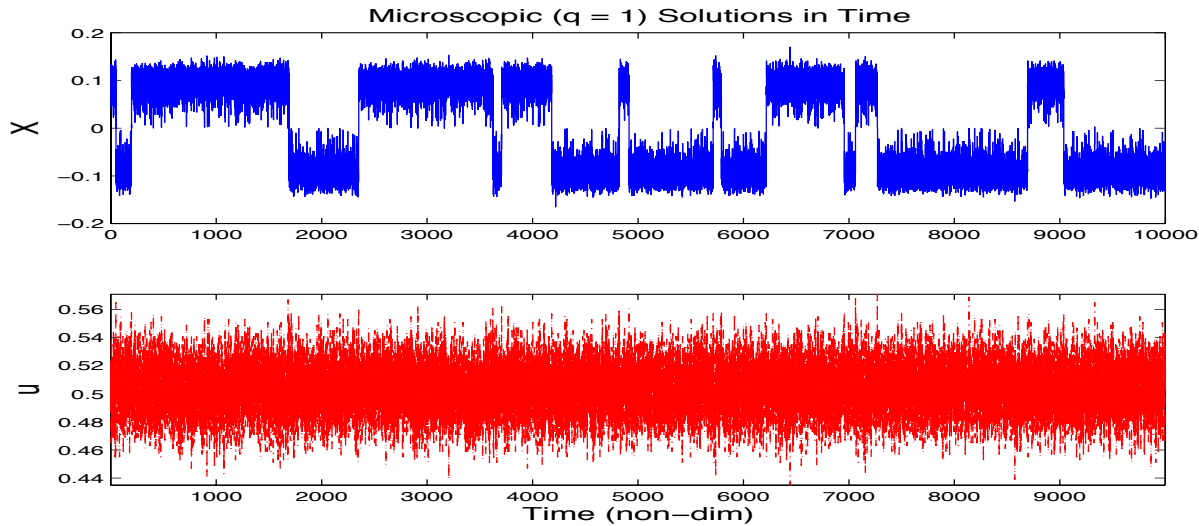


External ODE:  $f(X, \sigma) = a(\bar{\sigma}) + \gamma X^2$ , (saddle node bifurcation)





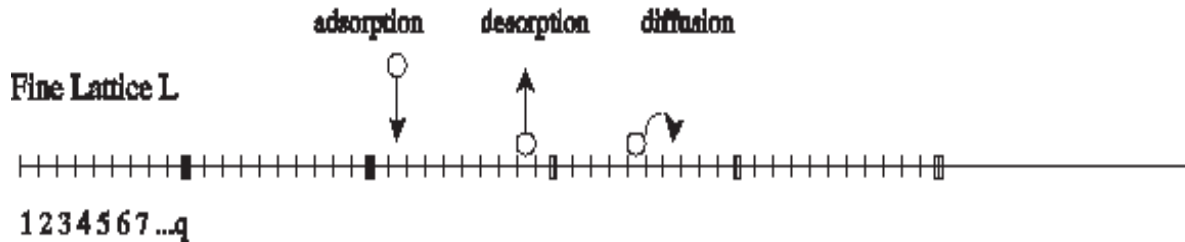
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- Deterministic closures capture correctly large scale features but miss the **stochastically**-driven transient dynamics.

[Katsoulakis, Majda, Vlachos, PNAS (2003), JCompPhys (2003)]

Construct a **coarse-grained stochastic process** for a hierarchy of “mesoscopic” length or time scales that **retains fluctuations**.



Coarse observable (why this one?)

$$\eta_t(k) = \sum_{y \in D_k} \sigma_t(y).$$

**Stochastic closures:** can we write a new **approximating** Markov process for  $\eta_t$ ?

**Step 1:** From the microscopics:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} E g(\eta) = & E \sum_{k \in \Lambda_c} \left\{ \sum_{x \in D_k} c(x, \sigma) (1 - \sigma(x)) \right\} \times \\ & [g(\eta + \delta_k) - g(\eta)] + \\ & E \sum_{k \in \Lambda_c} \left\{ \sum_{x \in D_k} c(x, \sigma) \sigma(x) \right\} \times \\ & [g(\eta - \delta_k) - g(\eta)]. \end{aligned}$$

“Closure” argument: Express as a function of the coarse variables the terms

$$\left\{ \sum_{x \in D_k} c(x, \sigma) \dots \right\}$$

- $\sum_{x \in D_k} c(x, \sigma) (1 - \sigma(x)) = (q - \eta(k)) := c_a(k, \eta)$
- $\sum_{x \in D_k} c(x, \sigma) \sigma(x) \stackrel{??}{=} c_d(k, \eta)$

- Determine the *coarse-grained* rates:

Adsorption rate of a single particle in the  $k$ -coarse cell

$$c_a(k, \eta) = q - \eta(k)$$

Desorption rate (approximate–error estimates)

$$c_d(k, \eta) = \eta(k) \exp \left[ -\beta (U_0 + \bar{U}(k)) \right]$$

$$\bar{U}(l) = \sum_{\substack{k \in \Lambda_c \\ k \neq l}} \bar{J}(l, k) \eta(k) + \bar{J}(0, 0) (\eta(l) - 1) - \bar{h}.$$

*Birth-Death* type process, with **interactions**.

**Step 2:** Ergodicity at every coarse level  $q$ :

**Detailed balance** for coarse Gibbs states:

**Gibbs measure:**  $\mu_{m,q,\beta}(d\eta) = \frac{1}{Z_{m,q,\beta}} \exp(-\beta\bar{H}(\eta))P_{m,q}(d\eta)$

Coarse-grained Hamiltonian

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{H}(\eta) = & -\frac{1}{2} \sum_l \sum_{k,k \neq l} \bar{J}(k,l) \eta(k) \eta(l) \\ & -\frac{\bar{J}(0,0)}{2} \sum_l \eta(l) (\eta(l) - 1) + \sum_l \bar{h}(l) \eta(l)\end{aligned}$$

Coarse-grained prior distribution:

$$P_{m,q}(\eta) = \prod_k \rho_q(\eta(k)), \quad \rho_q(\eta(k) = \lambda) = \frac{q!}{\lambda!(q-\lambda)!} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^q$$

## Error I—Loss of information during coarse-graining

[José Trashorras (Paris IX)]

- $\mu_{m,q,\beta}(t)$ : **Coarse-grained** PDF at time  $t$ .
- $\mu_{N,\beta}(t)$ : Projection of the **microscopic** PDF at time  $t$  on the coarse observables.
- $q$ : level of coarse-graining
- $L$ : # of interacting neighbors

Then,

$$R(\mu_{m,q,\beta}(t) | \mu_{N,\beta} \circ F(t)) = O_T\left(\frac{q}{L}\right), \quad t \in [0, T]$$

where

$$R(\mu | \nu) := \frac{1}{N} \sum_{\sigma} \log \left\{ \frac{\mu(\sigma)}{\nu(\sigma)} \right\} \mu(\sigma) \quad \diamond$$

**Information Theory interpretation:** The relative entropy describes the increase in descriptive (in terms of a  $D$ -nary alphabet) complexity of a random variable due to “wrong information”.

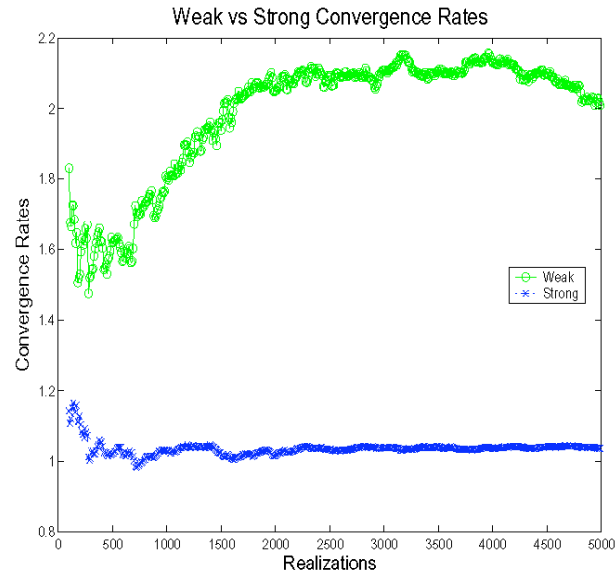
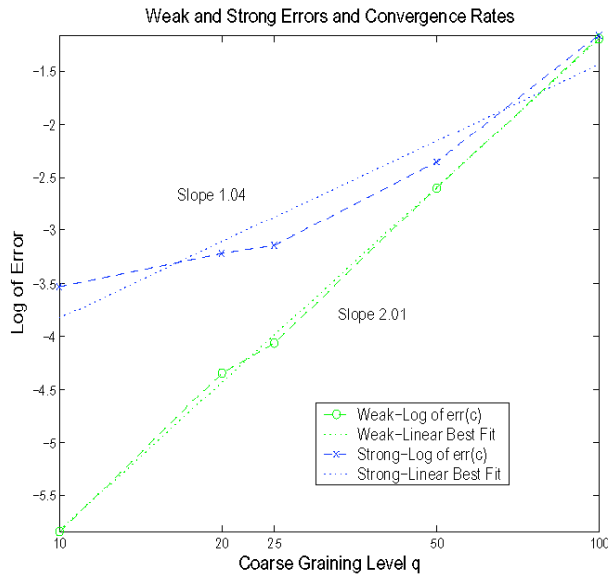
*Elements of the proof:*

1. Microscopic reconstruction from the coarse process, with **controlled** error.
2. Error estimation from coarse-graining of interactions & fluctuations.
3. Variational formulation of the relative entropy.



## Error Analysis II

1. Improved order of convergence  $O(q/L)^2$  using rigorous cluster expansions; **Higher-order corrections**: relation to RG.
2. Weak convergence estimates (easier to verify numerically).



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$c_\alpha$	$L$	$q = 5$	$q = 10$	$q = 20$
.07	100	.0591	.0733	.1134
	40	.0820	.0880	.1113
	20	.1508	.2214	.1832
.09	100	.0186	.0563	.0480
	40	.0678	.0749	.1064
	20	.1760	.1767	.1812
1	100	.0010	.0010	.0025
	40	.0036	.0040	.0054
	20	.0016	.0043	.0065

TABLE 7.2  
*Approximation of  $\bar{\tau}_T, \mathcal{R}(\rho_\tau^q | \mathbf{T}_* \rho_\tau)$  and relative error.*

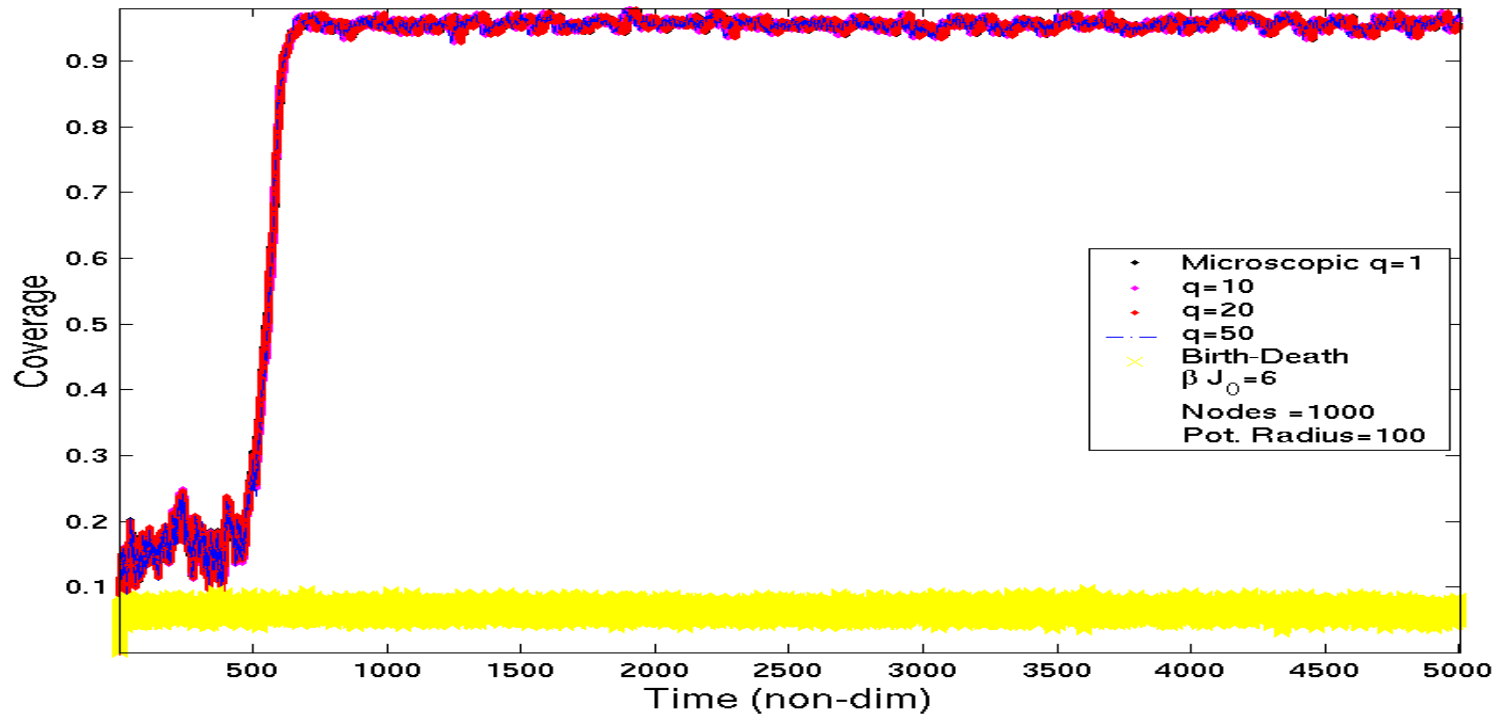
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$L$	$q$	$\bar{\tau}_T$	$\mathcal{R}(\rho_\tau^q   \mathbf{T}_* \rho_\tau)$	Rel. Err.	CPU [s]
100	1	532	0.0	0	309647
100	2	532	0.003	0.01%	132143
100	4	530	0.001	0.22%	86449
100	5	534	0.003	0.38%	58412
100	10	536	0.004	0.82%	38344
100	20	550	0.007	3.42%	16215
100	25	558	0.010	4.91%	7574
100	50	626	0.009	17.69%	4577
100	100	945	0.087	77.73%	345

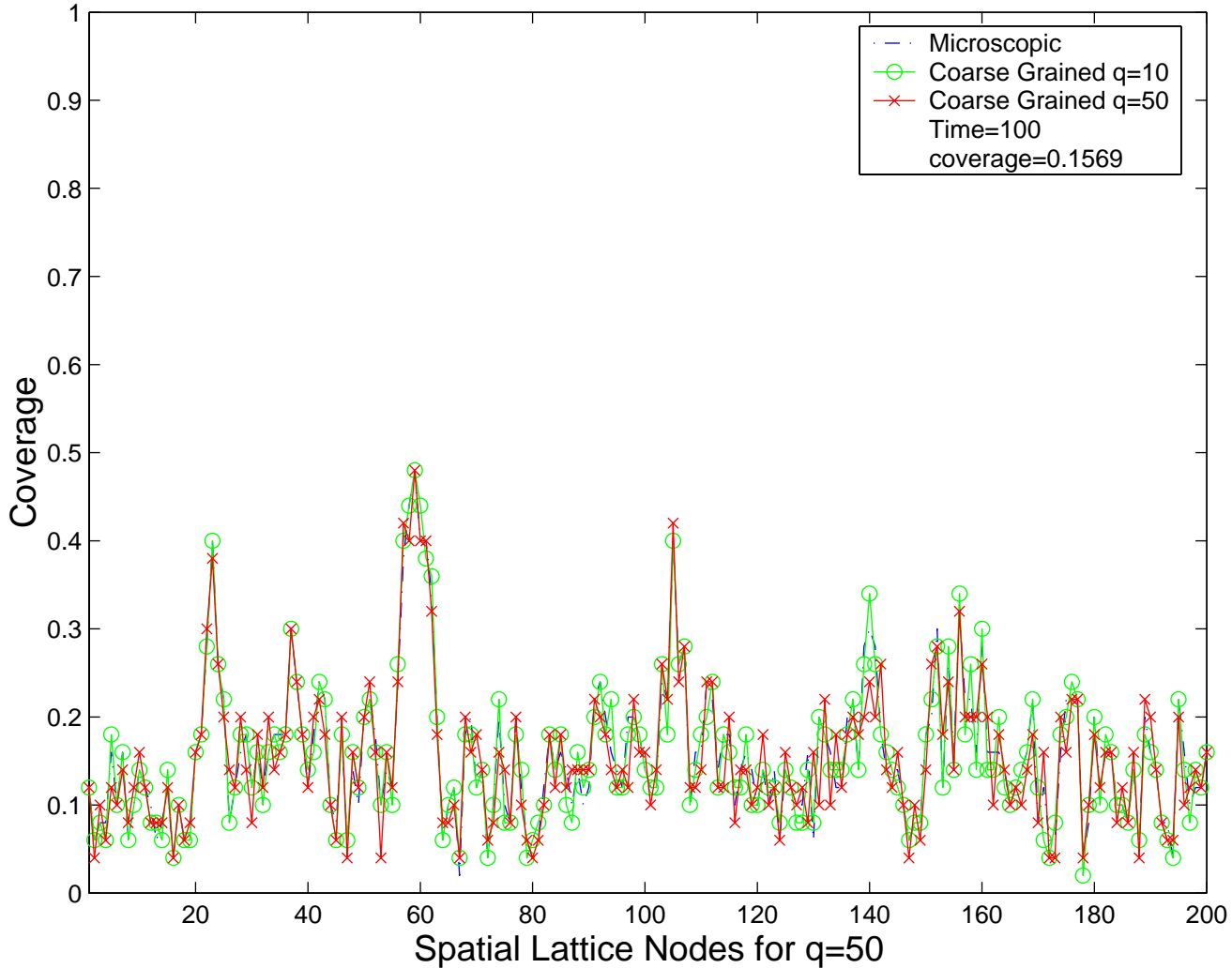
- CPU savings: at least  $O(q^2)$  or more.

**Demonstration:** Rare events and metastability

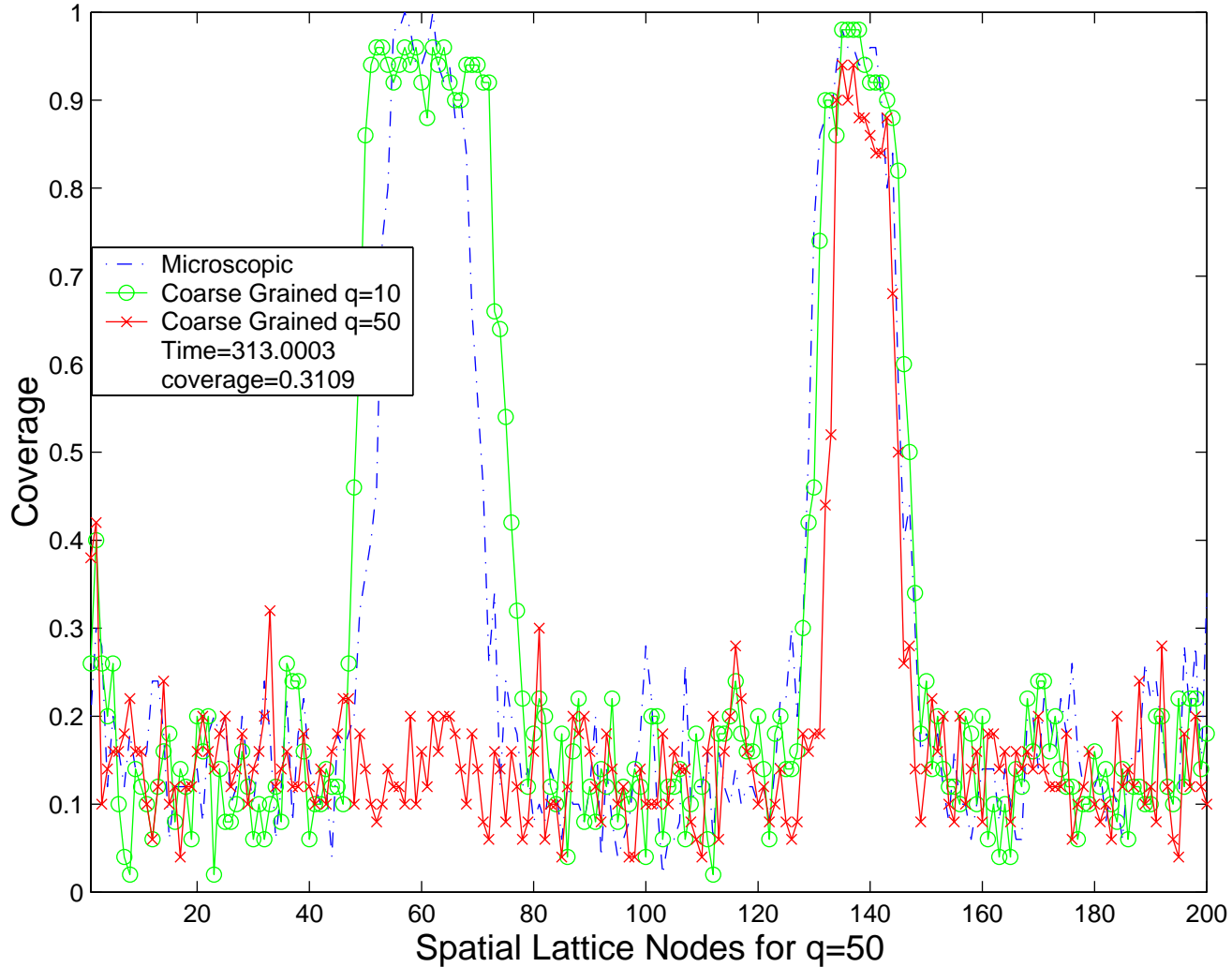
Coverage in Time



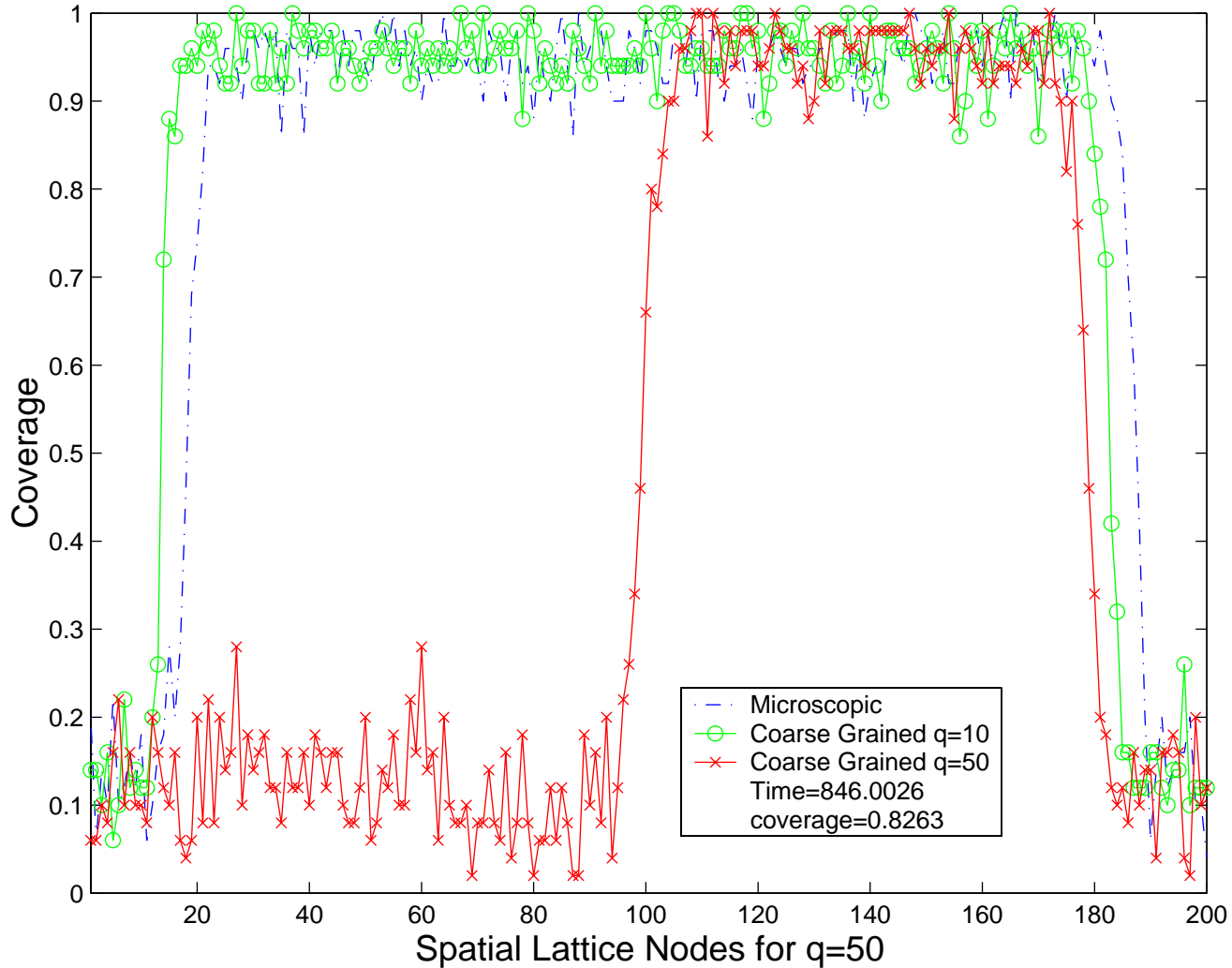
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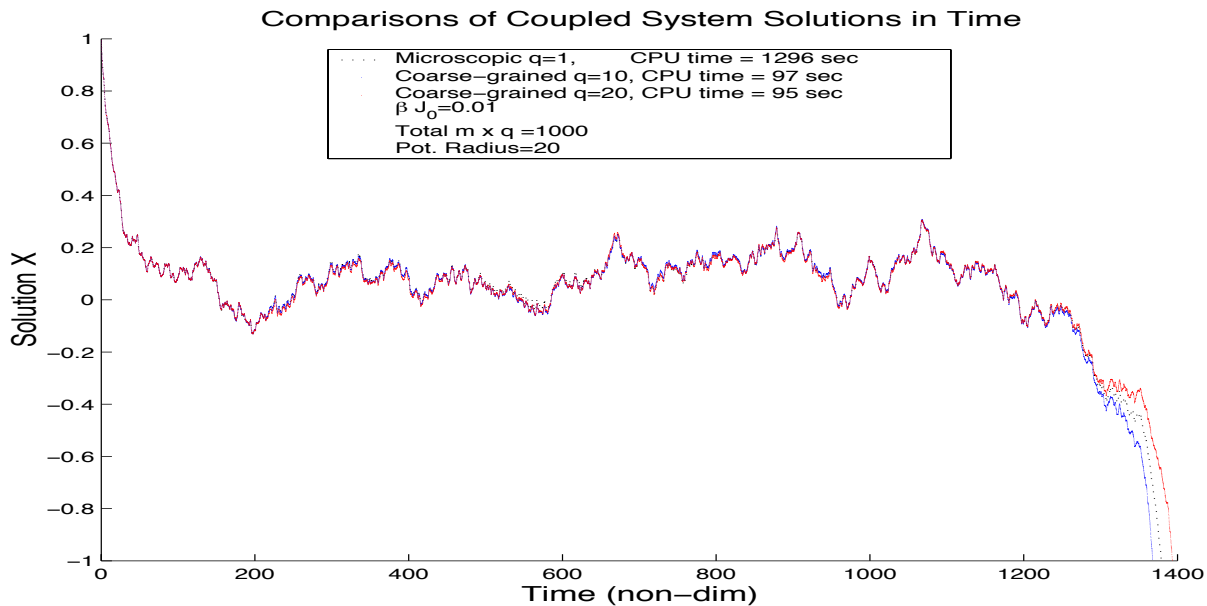
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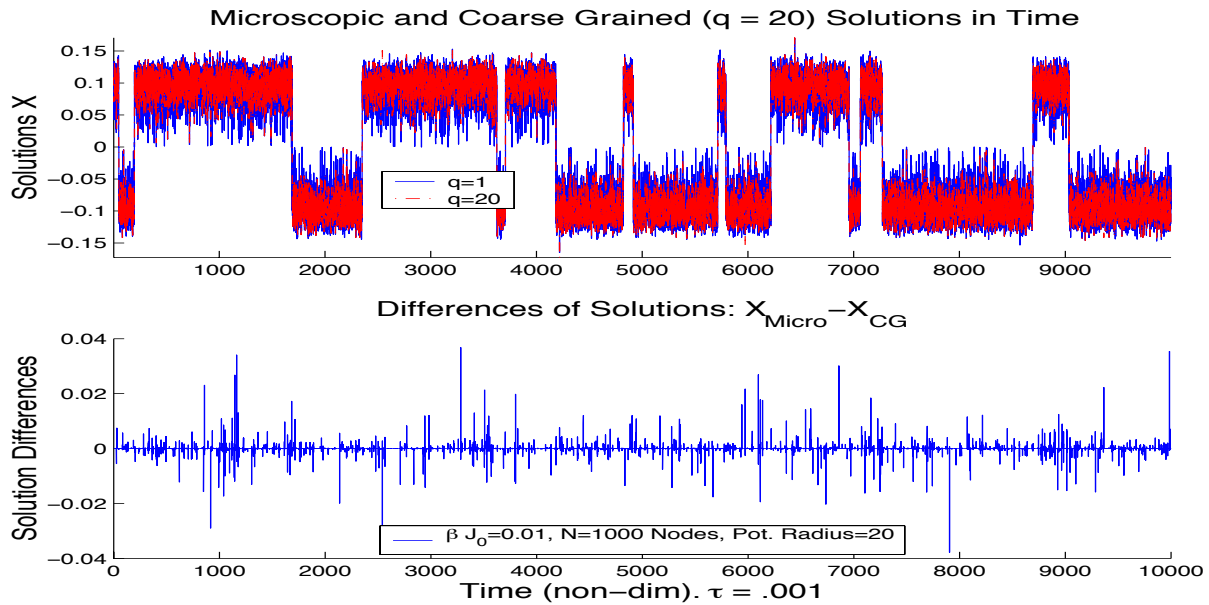
## II. Stochastic coarse-graining in hybrid systems

Deterministic closures **fail** in long time intervals, or when phase transitions are present; **revisit the earlier examples:**

### 1. Blow-up:



## 2. Externally-driven phase transitions:





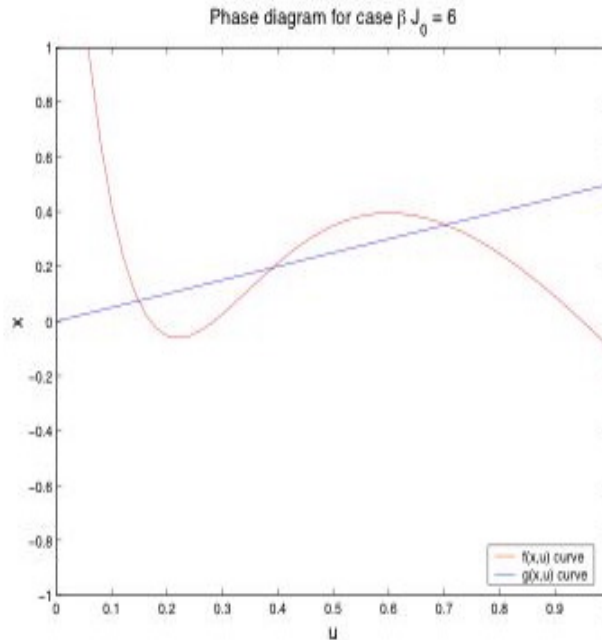
**Phase transitions in hybrid systems:** strong particle/particle interactions:

$$\frac{d}{dt}X = f(X, \bar{\sigma}) = a\bar{\sigma} + b - cX$$
$$\frac{d}{dt}Ef(\sigma) = E\mathcal{L}_X f(\sigma), \quad h = h(X)$$

**Step 1:** mean field approximation (ODEs):

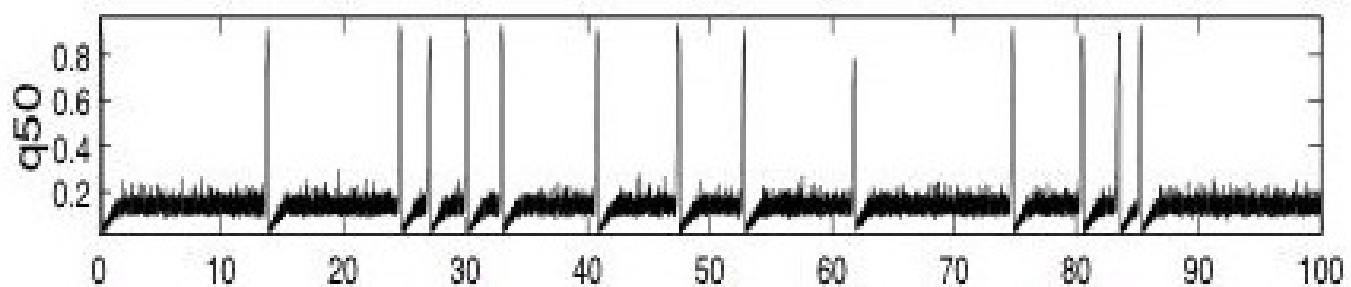
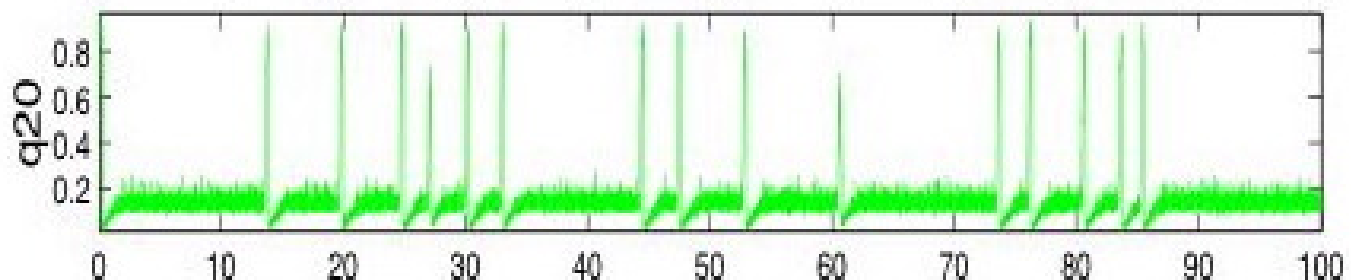
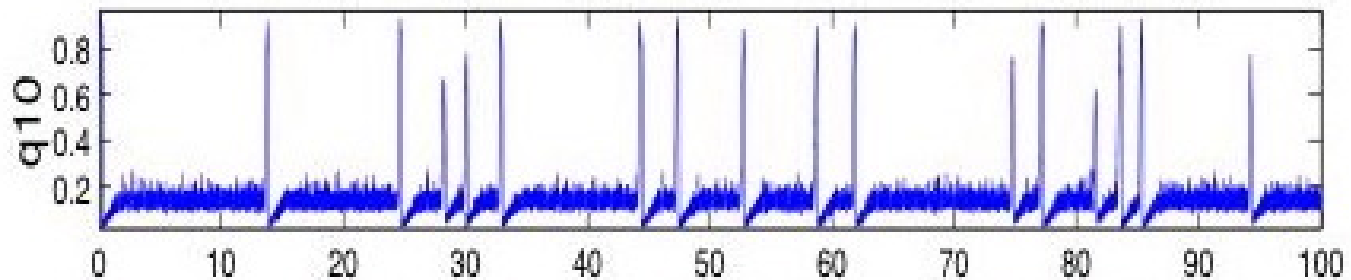
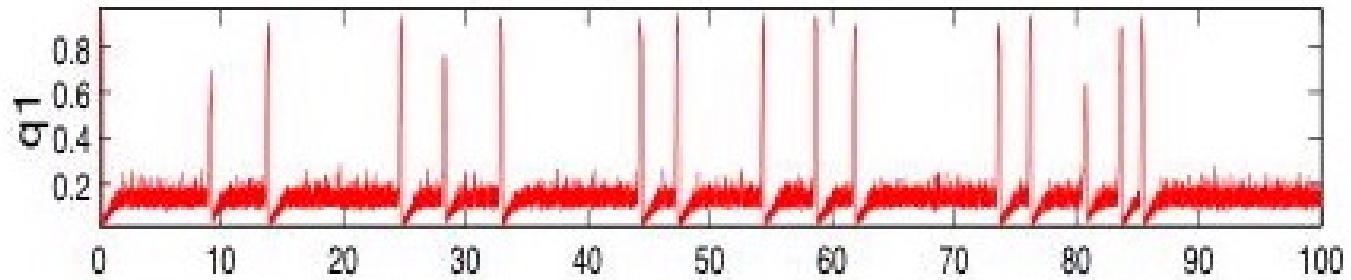
$$\frac{d}{dt}x = au + b - cx \equiv f(x, u)$$
$$\frac{d}{dt}u = (1 - u) - u \exp[-\beta J_0 u + h(x(t))]$$

- one stable state (weak interactions  $J_0$ ); stochasticity is not important
- bistable, excitable, oscillatory regimes (strong interactions)  
Fitzhugh-Nagumo type system

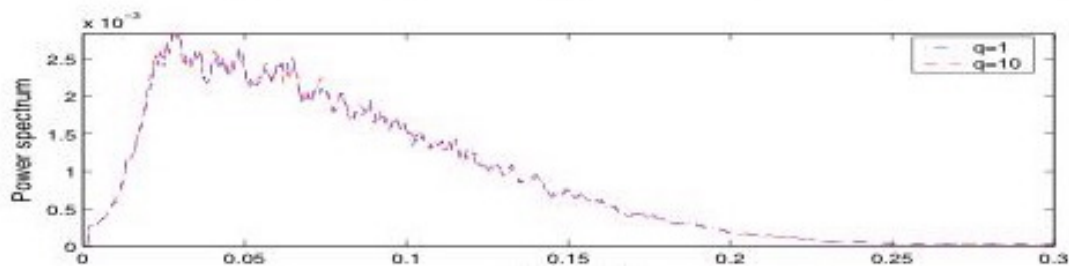
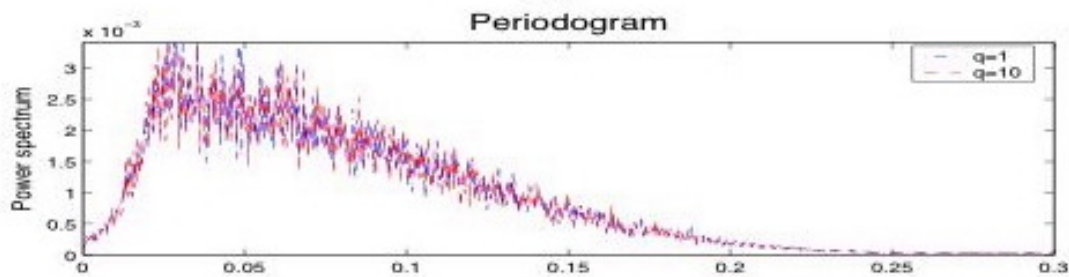
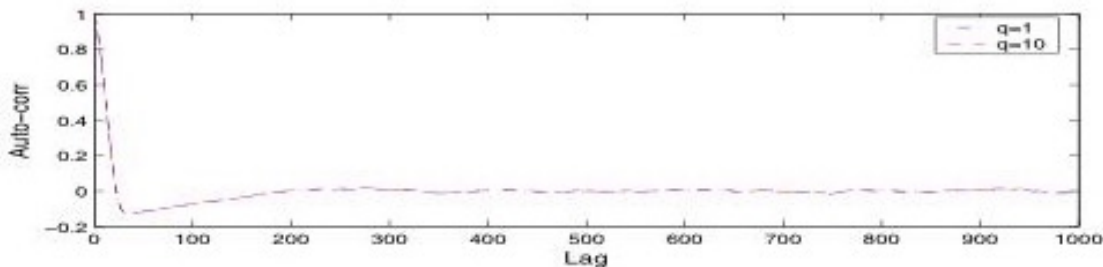
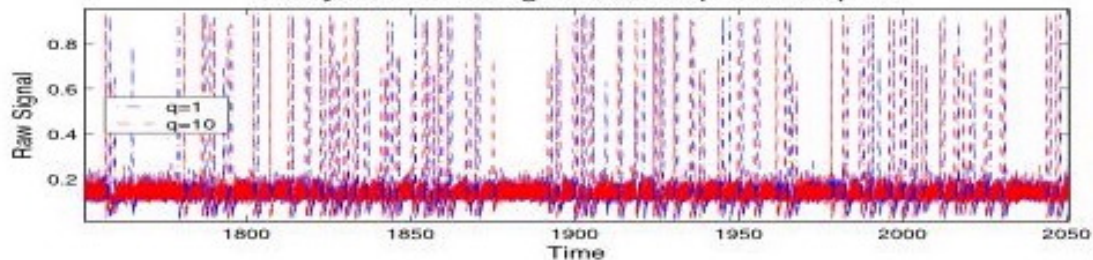


**Step 2:** For the full hybrid system the mean field approx. suggests:

- Bistability  $\rightarrow$  random switching.
- Oscillatory regime  $\rightarrow$  random oscillations
- Excitability  $\rightarrow$  strong **intermittency** regime



### Analysis of CG signal for u. $q=1$ and $q=10$



## An even simpler toy hybrid model:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dt}X &= f(X, \bar{\sigma}) = a\bar{\sigma} + b - cX \\ \frac{d}{dt}Ef(\sigma) &= E\mathcal{L}_X f(\sigma), \quad h = h(X)\end{aligned}$$

with uniform **Curie-Weiss** interactions:  $J(x - y) = J_0$ :

- Intermittency, bistability, (random) oscillations
- Due to the ODE coupling it is more susceptible to noise than the uncoupled spin flip Curie-Weiss.
- Asymptotics (law of large numbers, large deviations, central limit theorem) using the tools of the uncoupled system.

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