

The Second Law of Controlled Linear Stochastic Thermodynamic Systems over a Noiseless Digital Channel

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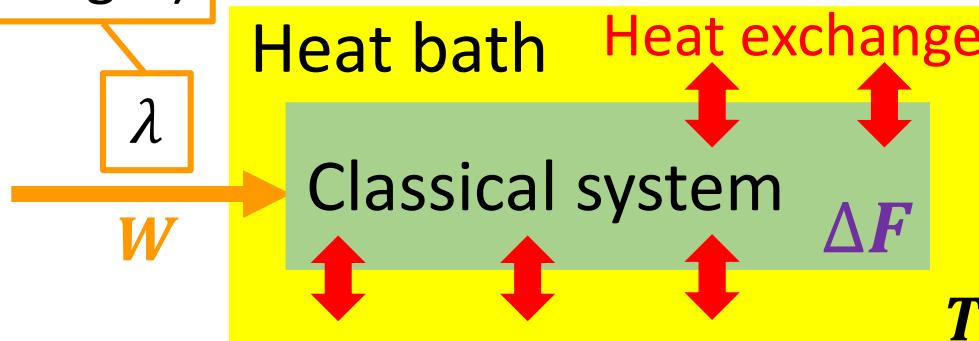
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Background and Research Purpose

The Second Law of Thermodynamics for a Classical System

External parameter
(e.g. the volume of a gas)



The work done on the system

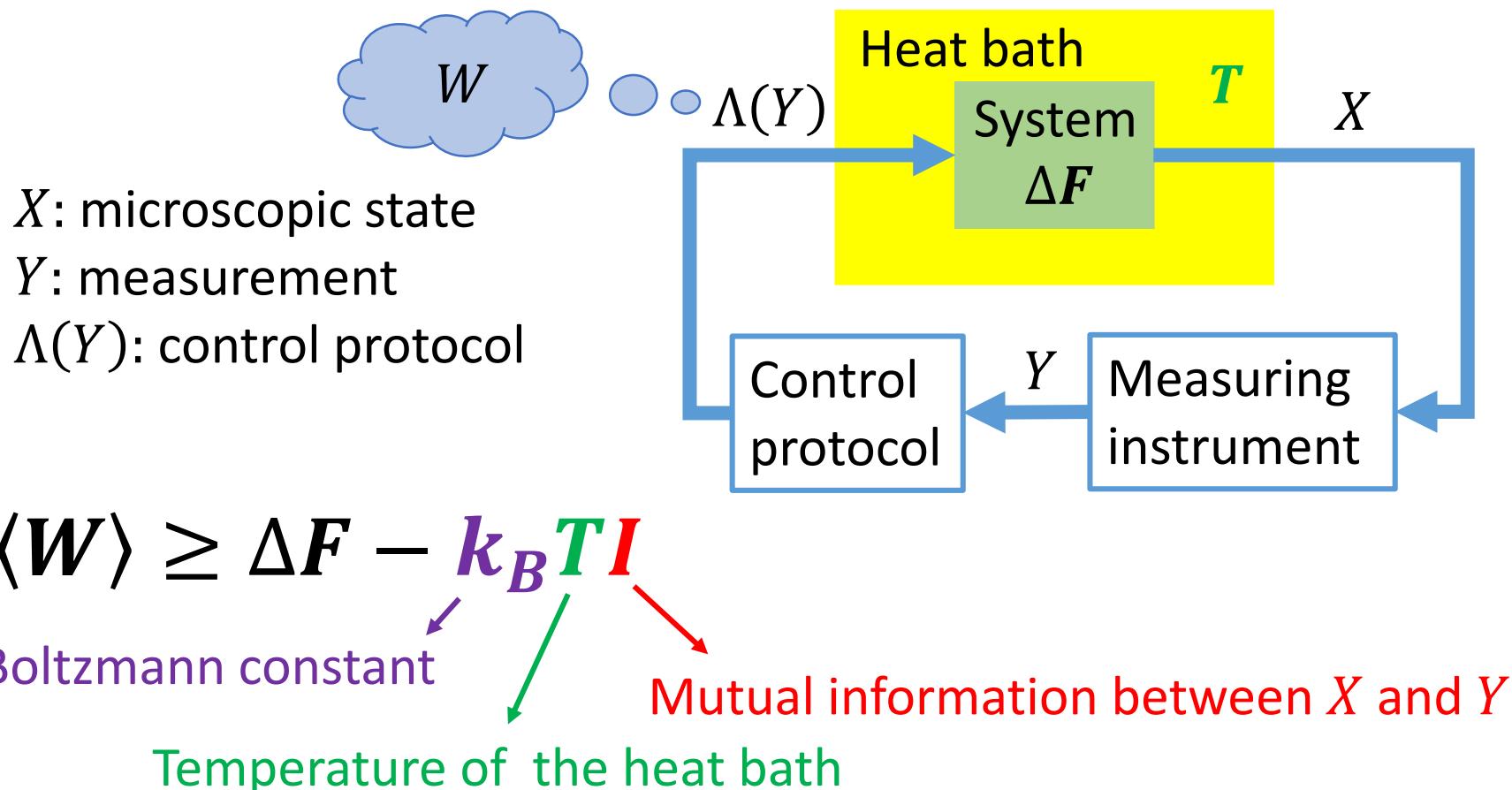
$$\langle W \rangle \geq \Delta F$$

Free energy difference

$\langle \cdot \rangle$: Ensemble average (W fluctuates due to the heat exchange)

The Second Law with Measurements and Feedback (\Leftrightarrow Maxwell's demon)

Single measurement & feedback (Sagawa & Ueda, 2010)



The Second Law with Measurements and Feedback (\Leftrightarrow Maxwell's demon)

Multiple measurement & feedback (Fujitani & Suzuki, 2010)

$$\begin{aligned} X_{k+1} &= F X_k + G U_k + W_k \\ Y_k &= H X_k + V_k \end{aligned}$$

$$U_k = L_k \hat{X}_k(Y_{[1,k]})$$

$$\begin{array}{ll} \tilde{X}_{k+1} = F \tilde{X}_k + G U_k & \bar{X}_{k+1} = F \bar{X}_k + W_k \\ \tilde{Y}_k = H \tilde{X}_k & \bar{Y}_k = H \bar{X}_k + V_k \end{array}$$

Deterministic

Stochastic
(innovation process)

X_k : state
 U_k : control input
 W_k : thermal noise
 Y_k : measurement
 V_k : noise

$$\langle W \rangle \geq \Delta F - k_B T \mathbf{I}_c$$

$$\begin{aligned} X_{[1,k]} &\coloneqq (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_k) \\ x_{[1,k]} &\coloneqq (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k) \end{aligned}$$

Mutual information between $\bar{X}_{[1,N-1]}$ and $\bar{Y}_{[1,N-1]}$.

Background & Research Objective

Thermodynamics ← Information

Thermodynamic systems with measurements and feedback

(Sagawa & Ueda, 2010;
Fujitani & Suzuki, 2010; ...)

Control theory ← Information

Relationship between channel capacity and control performance

(Wong & Brockett, 1999; Nair & Evans, 2003;
Tsumura & Maciejowski, 2003;
Tatikonda & Mitter, 2004; ...)



Thermodynamics ← Information + Control theory

the second law of thermodynamics

control performance
channel capacity

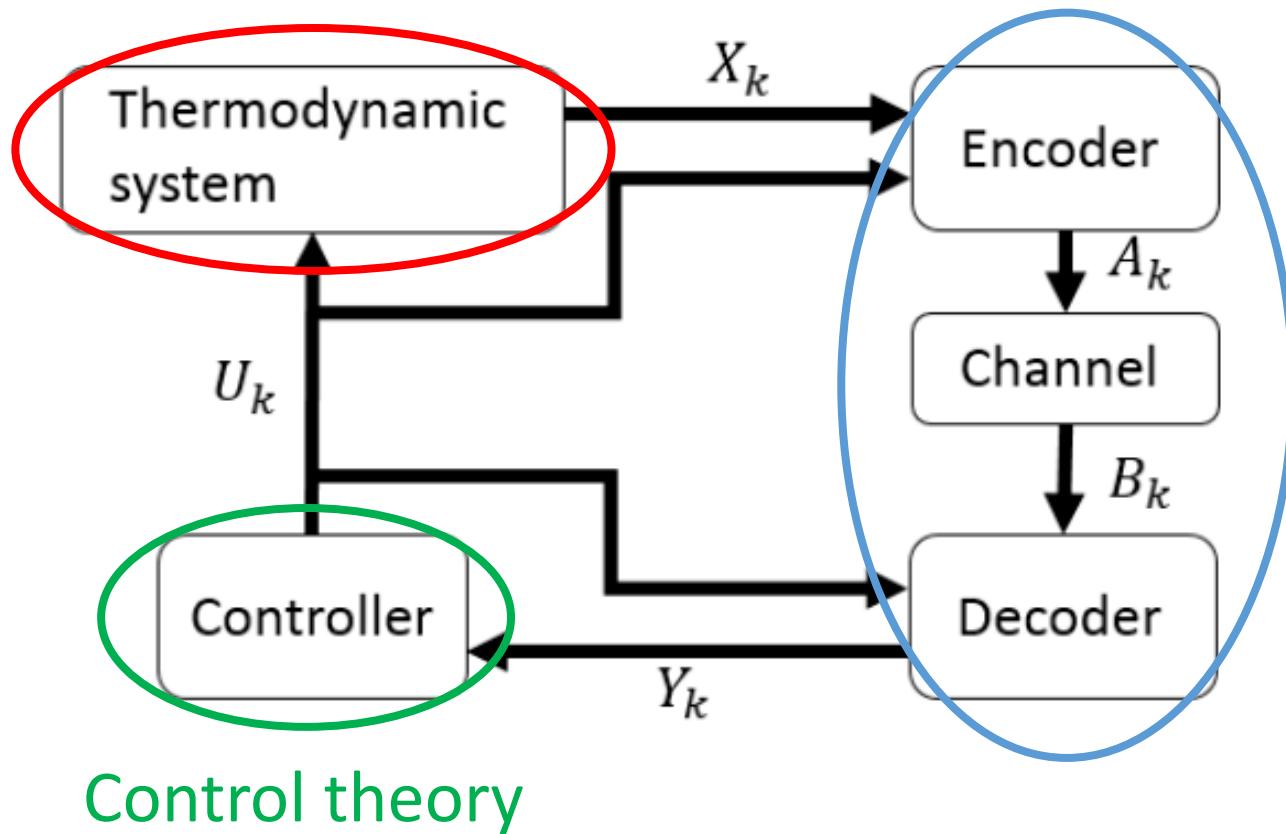
How are they concerned with each other?



Problem Formulation

The Control System

A system governed by thermodynamics Information theory



System Dynamics

Upper case letter : random variable

Lower case letter : realization

$$X_{k+1} = FX_k + GU_k + W_k, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, N-1, N \geq 2$$

- ◆ N particles with mass m
- ◆ State: $x = (r' p')'$

- $r = (r'_1 r'_2 \dots r'_N)'$: position vector
- $p = (p'_1 p'_2 \dots p'_N)'$: momentum vector

Assumptions:

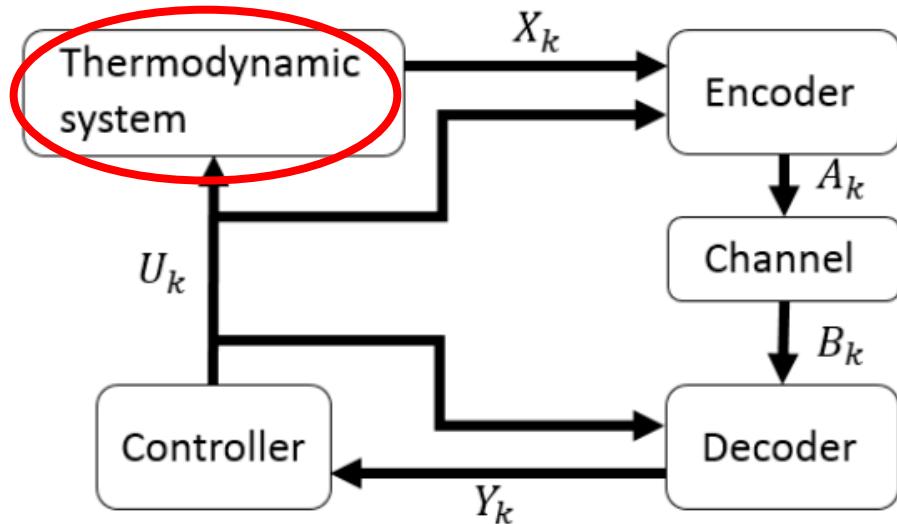
- ◆ $\{W_k\}$ (thermal noise): i.i.d sequence of random variables with zero mean.
- ◆ X_0 : initial state that satisfies canonical distribution

$$f(x_0) = \frac{e^{-\beta H(x_0; u_0)}}{\int e^{-\beta H(x_0; u_0)} dx}$$

$$H(x; u) = \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{p_i^2}{2m} + V(r, u)$$

Hamiltonian Kinetic energy Potential energy

$$\beta = \frac{1}{k_B T} : \text{thermodynamic beta}$$

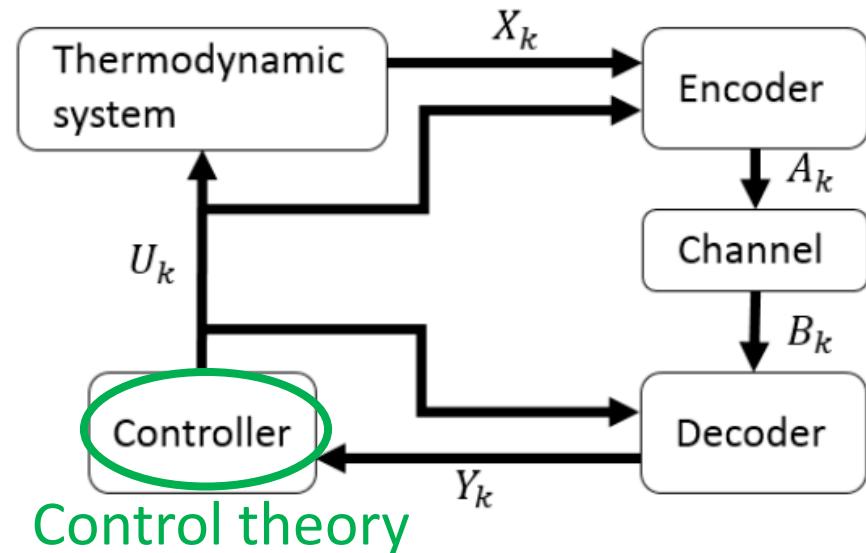


Controller

$$X_{k+1} = FX_k + GU_k + W_k, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, N-1, N \geq 2$$

Linear feedback control law:

$$U_k = K_k Y_k$$



Cost function (index of the control performance)

$$J_N = E \left(\sum_{k=1}^{N-1} (X_{k+1} - x_d)' Q (X_{k+1} - x_d) + U_k' S U_k \right)$$

$E(\cdot)$: expected value

x_d : target state

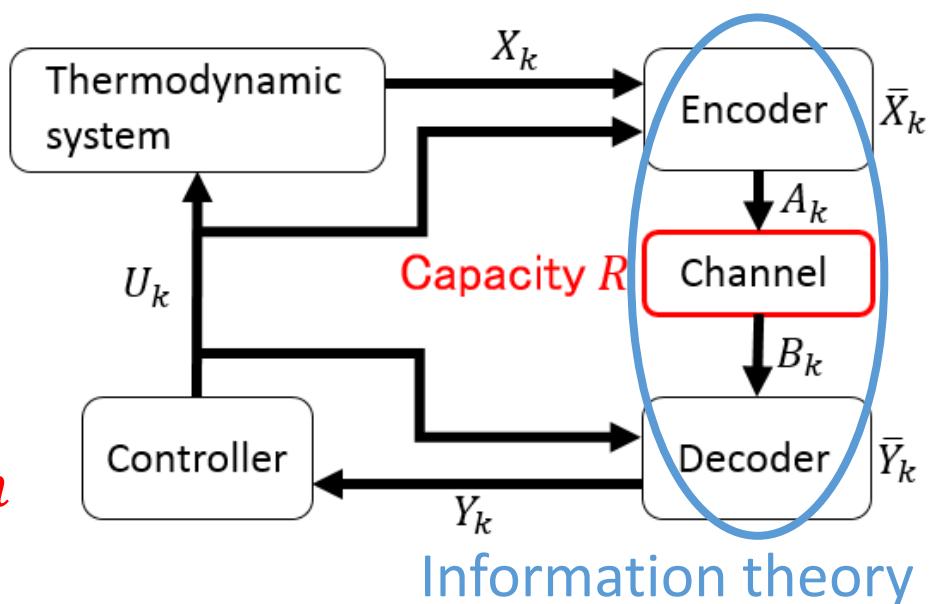
Assumptions: $Q \geq 0, S > 0, (F, Q^{1/2})$ observable

Optimal controller:

The one that minimizes the value of J_N given a fixed communication model.

The Channel Model

- ◆ Noiseless digital channel:
 - ◆ $a_k = b_k, \forall k$
 - ◆ Input alphabet size: m
- ➡ Channel capacity $R = \ln m$



Equi-memory expectation predictive (EMEP) encoder & decoder (Tatikonda & Mitter, 2004)

- ◆ Output of encoder

$$A_k = q \left(\bar{X}_k - E(\bar{X}_k | B_{[1,k-1]}) \right)$$

- ◆ $q(\cdot)$: quantizer
- ◆ $E(\cdot)$: expected value

\bar{X}_k, \bar{Y}_k : the state and the decoder output

that correspond to the innovation process.

- ◆ Output of decoder

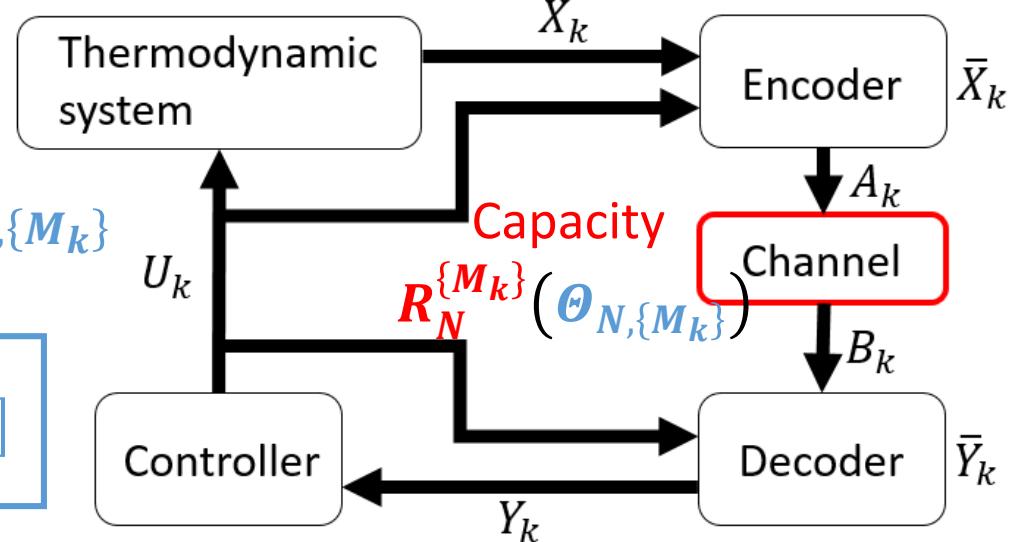
$$Y_k = \bar{Y}_k + \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} F^{k-i-1} G U_i, \quad \bar{Y}_k = E(\bar{X}_k | B_{[1,k]})$$

Proper Encoder

estimation error measure $\Theta_{N,\{M_k\}}$

$$J_N = \hat{J}_N + \sum_{k=1}^{N-1} E[\Delta'_k M_k \Delta_k]$$

the optimal control input



the channel capacity & the quantizer in the encoder

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the one that realizes a given value of $\Theta_{N,\{M_k\}}$ ($= J_N - \hat{J}_N$) with **the least channel capacity** given the optimal controller.

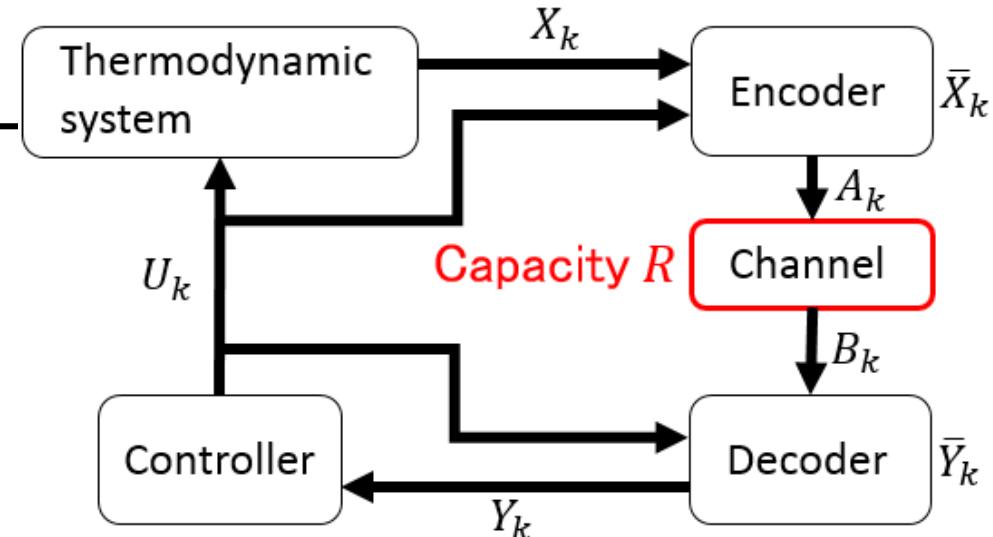
→ **The least channel capacity** : $R_N^{\{M_k\}}(J_N - \hat{J}_N)$.

Main Results and Discussions

Main Result 1

Theorem

- ◆ Temperature T
- ◆ Control horizon N
- ◆ EMEP encoder & decoder
- ◆ Channel capacity R
- ◆ Linear feedback control law



$$\langle W \rangle \geq \Delta F - k_B T (N - 1) R$$

Averaged work
done on the system

Free energy difference

Channel capacity

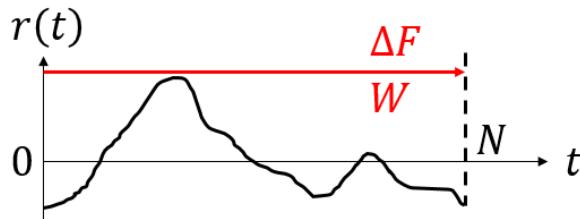
Step 1 $\langle W \rangle \geq \Delta F - k_B T I(\bar{X}_{[1,N-1]}; \bar{Y}_{[1,N-1]})$

Step 2 $I(\bar{X}_{[1,N-1]}; \bar{Y}_{[1,N-1]}) = H(\bar{Y}_{[1,N-1]})$

Step 3 $H(\bar{Y}_{[1,N-1]}) \leq (N - 1) R$

Proof of Theorem

Step 1 $\langle W \rangle \geq \Delta F - k_B T I(\bar{X}_{[1,N-1]}; \bar{Y}_{[1,N-1]})$



$$x_k = (r_k' p_k')'$$

$$I(\bar{X}_{[1,N-1]} | \bar{Y}_{[1,N-1]}) := \ln \frac{f(\bar{x}_{[1,N-1]} | \bar{y}_{[1,N-1]})}{f(\bar{x}_{[1,N-1]})}$$

Detailed fluctuation theorem
(G. E. Crooks, 1998):

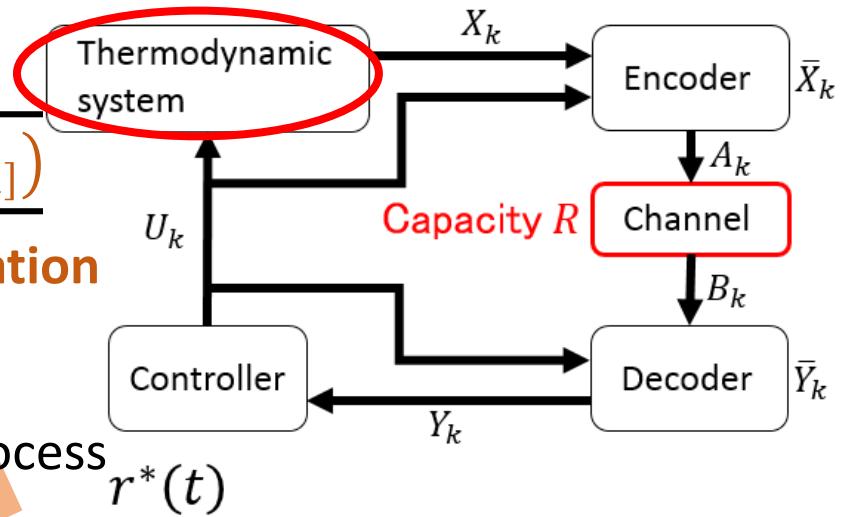
$$e^{\beta(\Delta F - W)} G = \tilde{G}$$

$$G := f(x_0) \prod_{k=0}^{N-1} f(x_{k+1} | x_k; u_k)$$

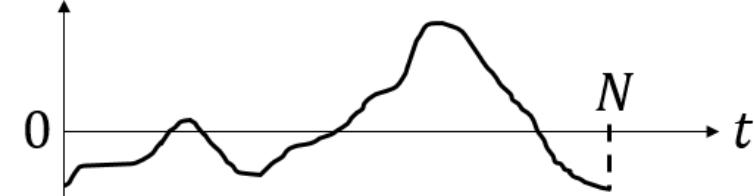
$$\tilde{G} := f(x_N^*) \prod_{k=0}^{N-1} \tilde{f}(x_k^* | x_{k+1}^*; u_k^*)$$

Mutual information

Backward process



$r^*(t)$



$$x_k^* = (r_{N-k}' - p_{N-k}')'$$

$$1 = e^{\beta \Delta F} \left\langle e^{-\beta W - I(\bar{X}_{[1,N-1]} | \bar{Y}_{[1,N-1]})} \right\rangle$$

Jensen's inequality

$$\langle W \rangle \geq \Delta F - k_B T I(\bar{X}_{[1,N-1]}; \bar{Y}_{[1,N-1]})$$

Proof of Theorem

$$\text{Step 2 } I(\bar{X}_{[1,N-1]}; \bar{Y}_{[1,N-1]}) = H(\bar{Y}_{[1,N-1]})$$

Mutual information

Entropy

EMEP encoder & decoder

◆ Output of encoder

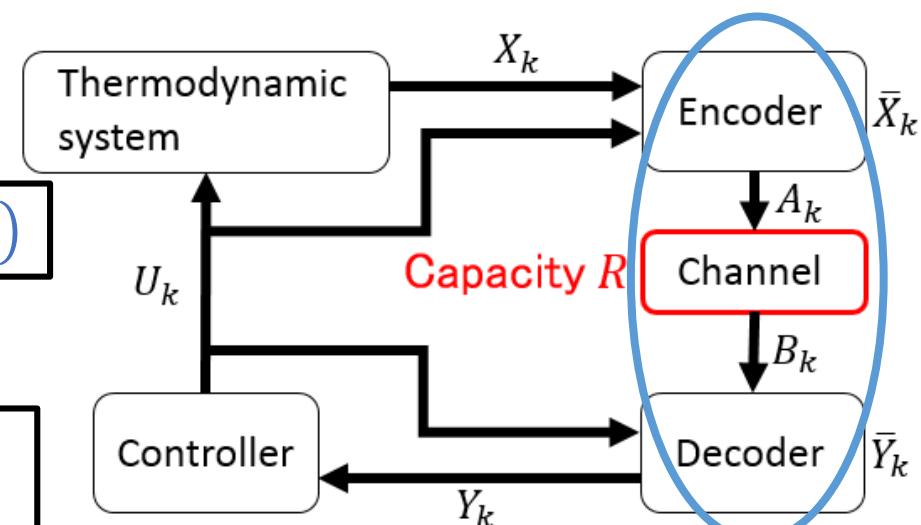
$$A_k = q \left(\bar{X}_k - E(\bar{X}_k | B_{[1,k-1]}) \right)$$

◆ q : quantizer

◆ $E(\cdot)$: expectation

◆ Output of decoder

$$\bar{Y}_k = E(\bar{X}_k | B_{[1,k]})$$



$\bar{y}_{[1,k]}$ is uniquely determined given $\bar{x}_{[1,k]}$

$$H(\bar{Y}_{[1,N-1]} | \bar{X}_{[1,N-1]}) = 0$$

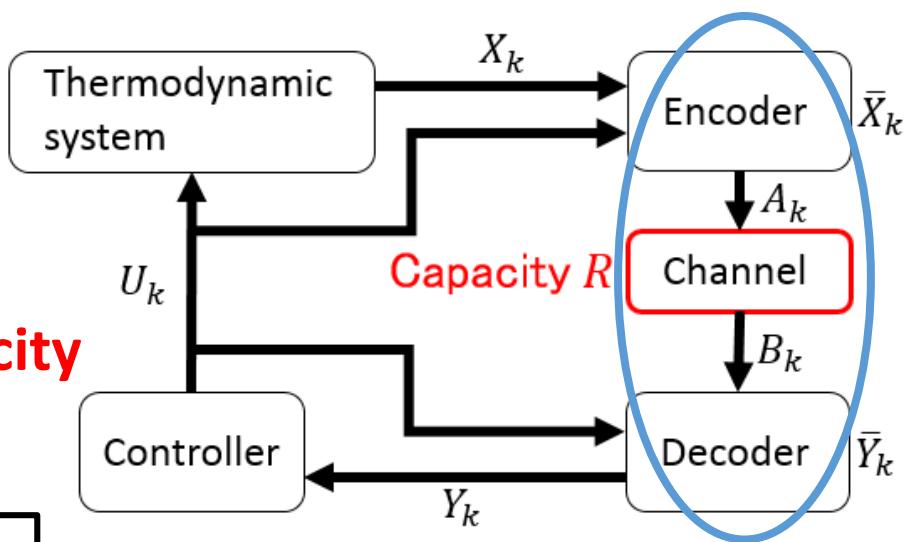
$$I(\bar{X}_{[1,N-1]}; \bar{Y}_{[1,N-1]})$$

$$= H(\bar{Y}_{[1,N-1]}) - H(\bar{Y}_{[1,N-1]} | \bar{X}_{[1,N-1]}) = H(\bar{Y}_{[1,N-1]})$$

Proof of Theorem

$$\text{Step 3 } H(\bar{Y}_{[1,N-1]}) \leq (N - 1)R$$

Entropy Capacity
 Control horizon



EMEP encoder & decoder

- ◆ Output of decoder

$$\bar{Y}_k = E(\bar{X}_k | B_{[1,k]})$$

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Channel output

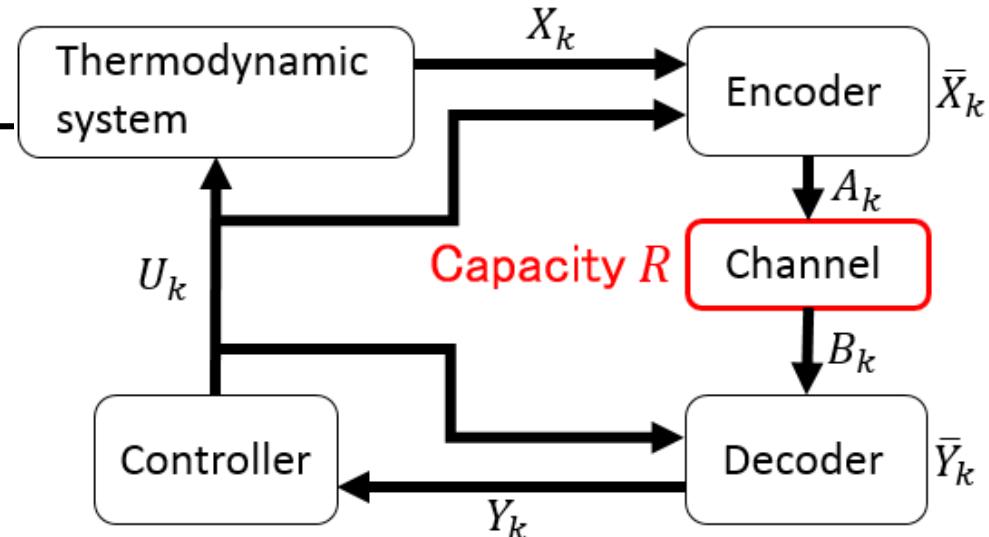
$\bar{y}_{[1,k]}$ is uniquely determined given $b_{[1,k]}$

$$H(\bar{Y}_{[1,k]}) \leq H(B_{[1,k]}) = H(A_{[1,k]}) \leq \sum_{k=1}^{N-1} H(A_k) \leq (N - 1)R$$

Discussion

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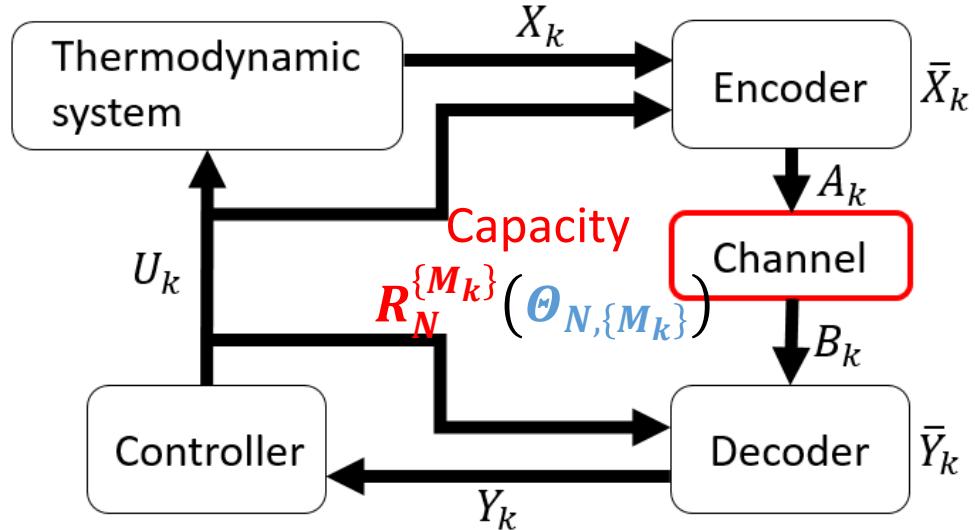
Channel capacity

Given a fixed value of ΔF , as **MORE** channel capacity R is used,

- ◆ **LESS work needs to be done** on the system.
- ◆ **MORE work can be extracted** from the system.

Main Result 2

$$J_N = \hat{J}_N + \sum_{k=1}^{N-1} E[\Delta'_k M_k \Delta_k]_{\Theta_{N,\{M_k\}}}$$



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the one that realizes a given value of $\Theta_{N,\{M_k\}}$ ($= J_N - \hat{J}_N$) with **the least channel capacity** given the optimal controller.

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Corollary

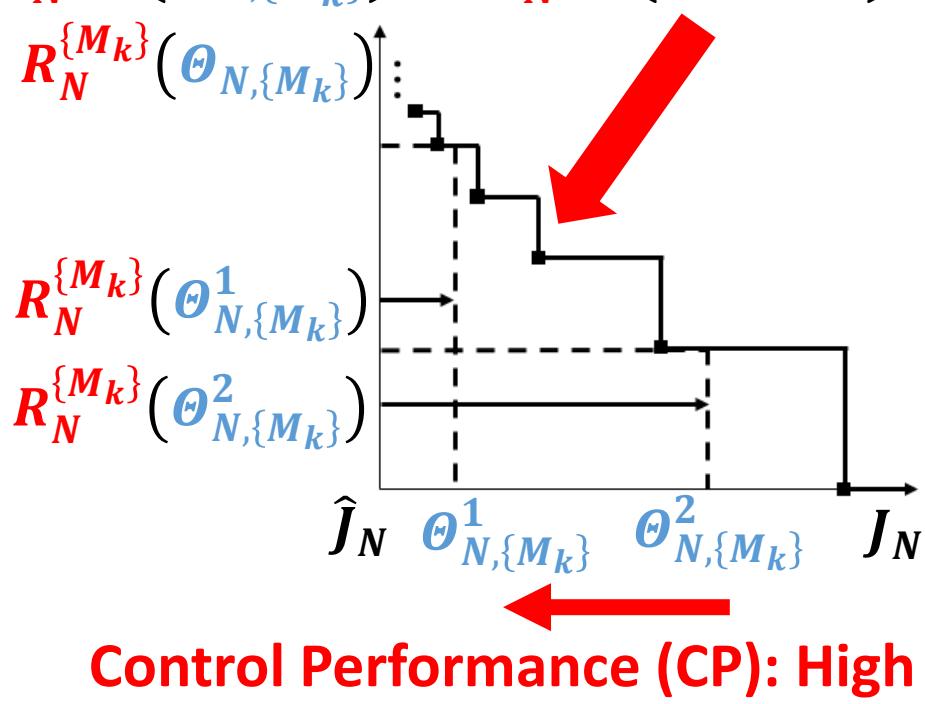
- ◆ The **optimal** controller
- ◆ A **proper** EMEP encoder & decoder
- ◆ Channel capacity $R_N^{\{M_k\}}(J_N - \hat{J}_N)$

→ $\langle W \rangle \geq \Delta F - k_B T (N - 1) R_N^{\{M_k\}} (J_N - \hat{J}_N)$

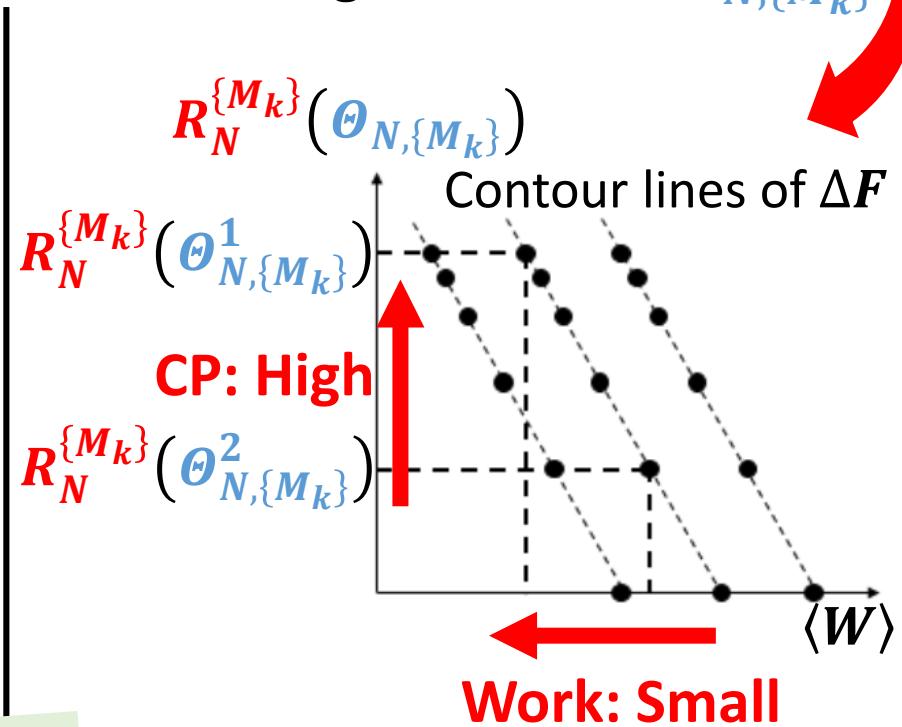
Discussion

$$\langle W \rangle \geq \Delta F - k_B T (N - 1) R_N (J_N - \hat{J}_N)$$

$R_N^{\{M_k\}}(\Theta_{N,\{M_k\}}) = R_N^{\{M_k\}}(J_N - \hat{J}_N)$ is a decreasing function of $\Theta_{N,\{M_k\}}$.



Control Performance (CP): High



the second law of thermodynamics

channel capacity

control performance

Relationship elucidated!

Conclusions

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- Derived the second law containing a term of channel capacity ***under linear feedback control law*** (Main result 1).
- Elucidate the relationship between **the control performance**, **the channel capacity** and **the second law** where ***the optimal controller and a proper encoder are used*** (Main result 2).