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Fluctuation Theorems and Mutual Information

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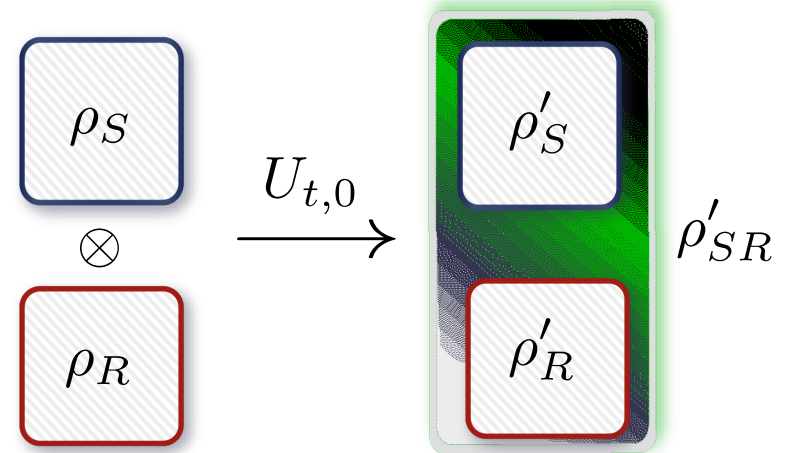
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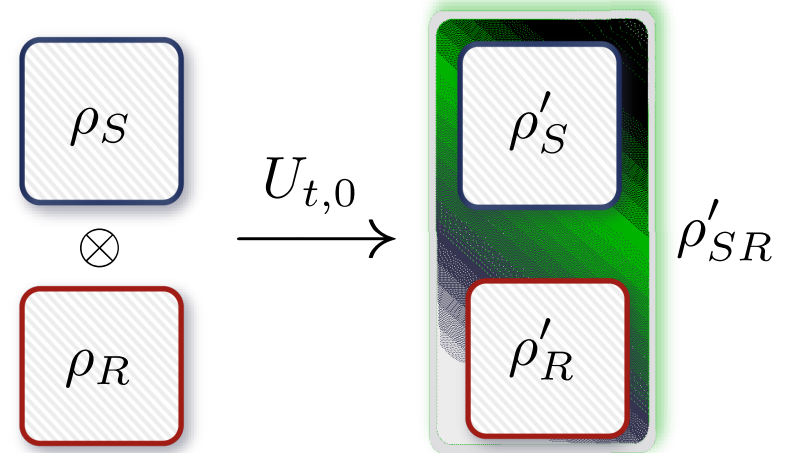
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von Neumann entropy conservation: $\Delta S + \Delta S_R - I(S' : R')_{\rho'_{SR}} = 0$

Quantum Mutual Information
(Total amount of correlations)

$$I(S' : R')_{\rho'_{SR}} = S(\rho'_{SR} || \rho'_S \otimes \rho'_R) \geq 0$$

Outline

- I. Mutual Information as the total Entropy Production**
- II. Fluctuation Theorems**
- III. Quantum maps and operations**
- IV. Decomposition of the total Entropy Production**
- V. Conclusions**

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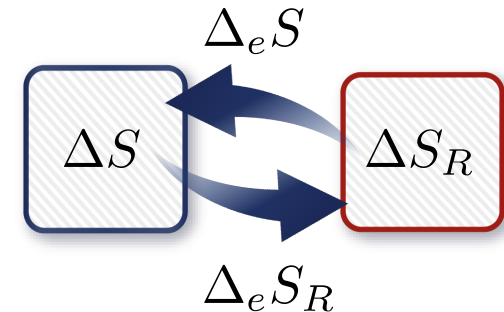
Split local entropy changes:

$$\Delta S = \Delta_i S + \Delta_e S$$

$$\Delta S_R = \Delta_i S_R + \Delta_e S_R$$

Positive,
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Positive or Negative,
Entropy Exchange



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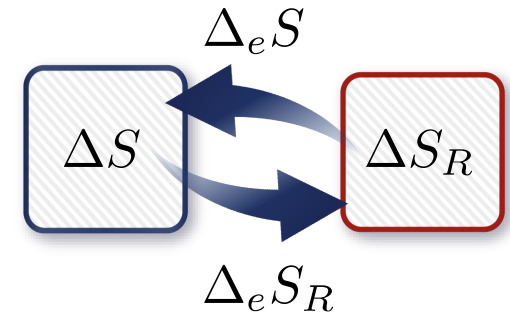
System and reservoir as open quantum systems

If reservoir remains in equilibrium at some β

$$\Delta_i S_R = 0 \quad \Delta S_R = \Delta_e S_R = -\beta Q$$

$$Q \equiv -\text{Tr}[H_R(\rho'_R - \rho_R)]$$

$$\boxed{\Delta_i S_{\text{tot}} = \Delta_i S = \Delta S - \beta Q \geq 0}$$



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Operational interpretation: We have not access to the global state of the system to perform thermodynamic tasks, e.g. isothermal work extraction, but only to the local states of system and reservoir.

Example: isothermal work

Moreover we can relate the mutual information with the isothermal work

- Assume some external relevant temperature T
- Non-equilibrium free energy of the global system:

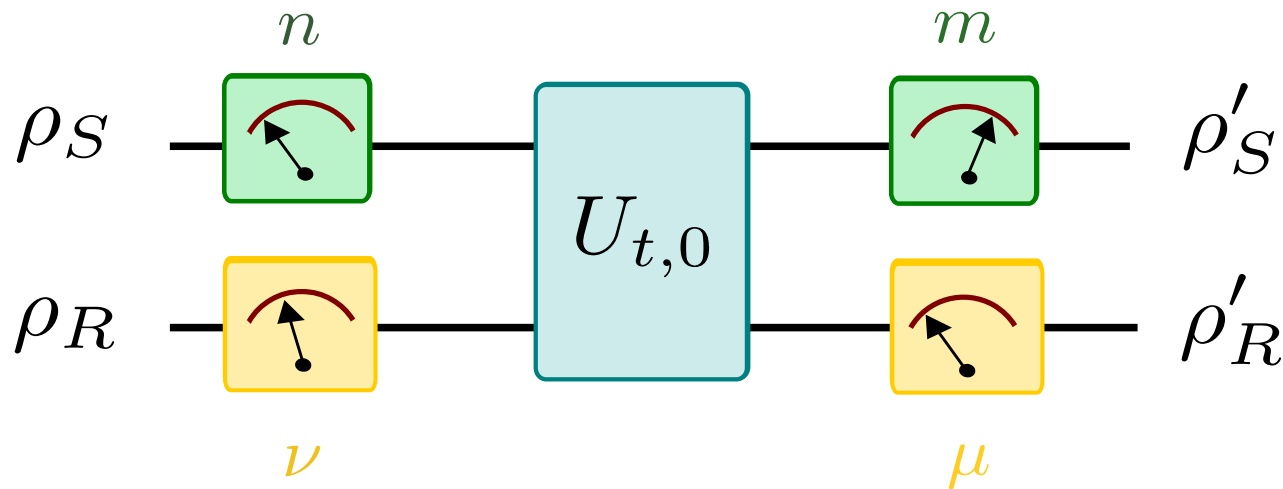
$$\mathcal{F}(H_{\text{tot}}, \rho_{SR}) = \langle H_{\text{tot}} \rangle_{\rho_{SR}} - kTS(\rho_{SR})$$

Calculate $\Delta\mathcal{F}$ between initial and final (product) states:

$$kTI(S' : R')_{\rho'_{SR}} = W - \Delta\mathcal{F} \geq 0 \quad W_{\text{diss}} \geq 0 \quad \text{work lost from the local perspective}$$

where W work from driving (+ work to switch off the interaction)

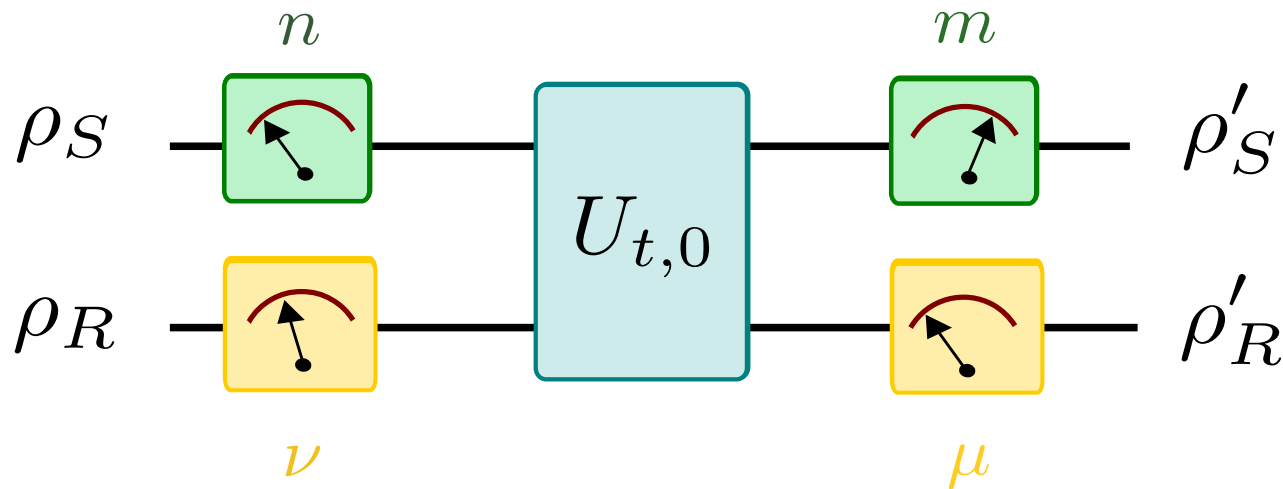
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$$P_{m,\mu,n,\nu} = p_n q_\nu \times P_{m,\mu|n,\nu} \quad P_{m,\mu|n,\nu} = \text{Tr}[(\Pi'_m \otimes Q'_\mu) U_{t,0} (\Pi_n \otimes Q_\nu) U_{t,0}^\dagger]$$

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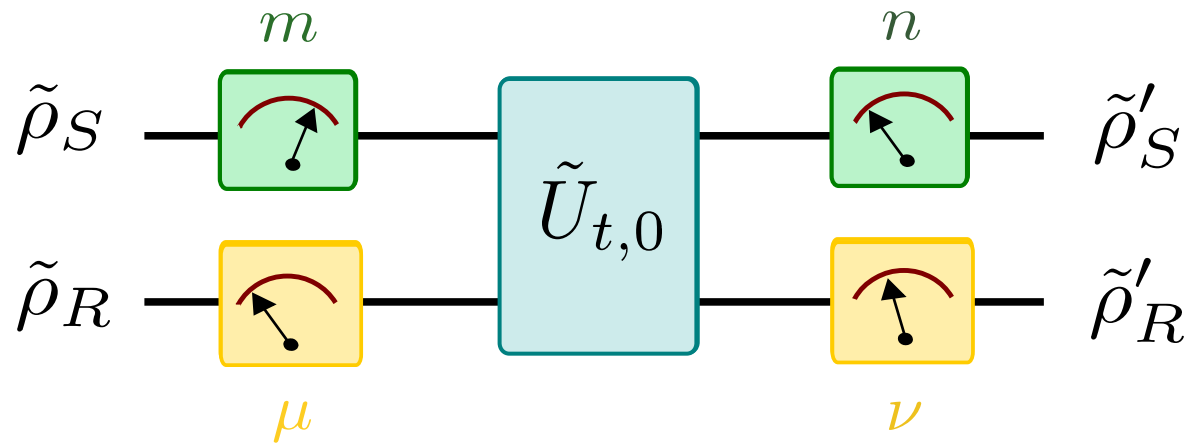
Integral Fluctuation Theorem:

$$G(u = i) = 1 \Leftrightarrow \langle e^{-I} \rangle = 1$$

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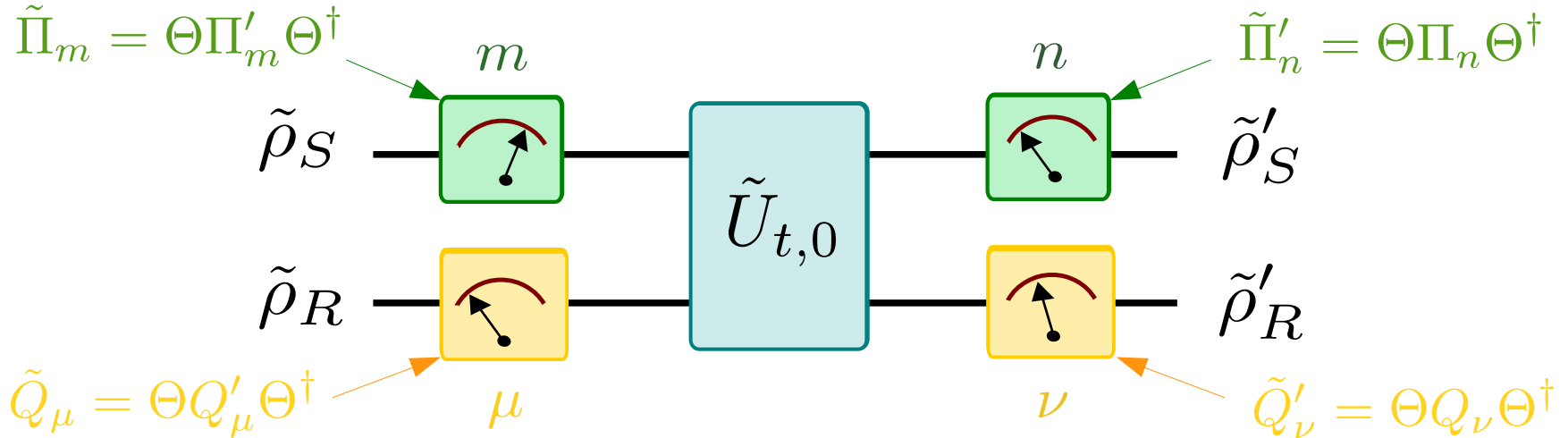


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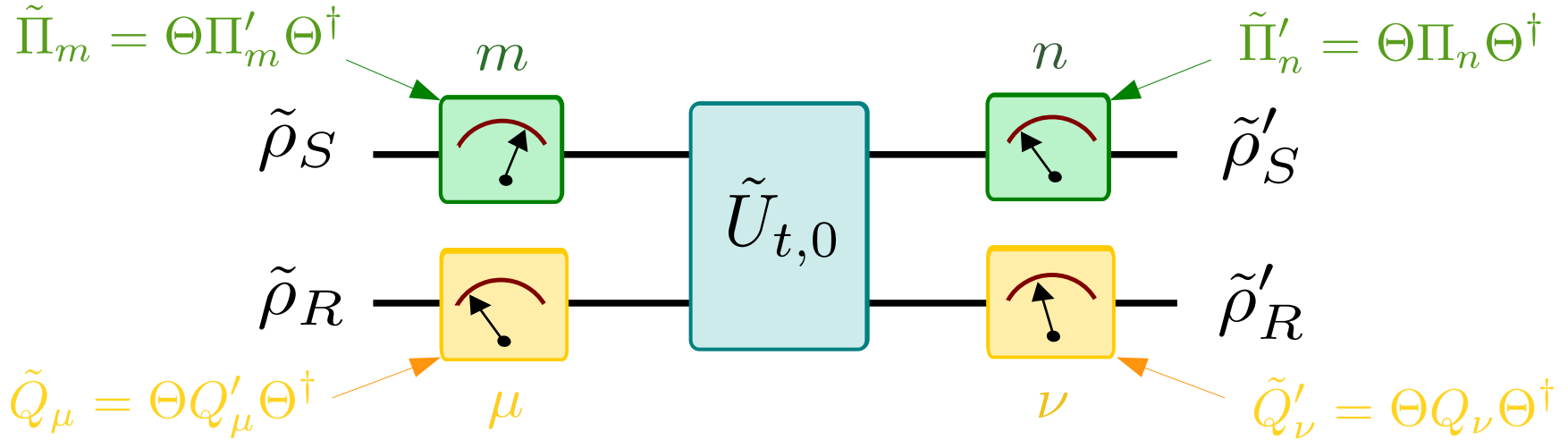


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Detailed Fluctuation Theorem:

$$\ln \frac{P_{m,\mu,n,\nu}}{\tilde{P}_{n,\nu,m,\mu}} = \ln \frac{p_n}{p'_m} + \ln \frac{q_n}{q'_m} = \Delta s_{m,n} + \Delta s_{\mu,\nu}^R = I_{m,\mu,n,\nu}$$

$P_{m,\mu,n,\nu}$ probability of jump:

$$|n\rangle \otimes |\nu\rangle \xrightarrow{\Lambda} |m\rangle' \otimes |\mu\rangle'$$

$\tilde{P}_{n,\nu,m,\mu}$ probability of inverse jump:

$$\Theta|m\rangle' \otimes \Theta|\mu\rangle' \xrightarrow{\tilde{\Lambda}} \Theta|n\rangle \otimes \Theta|\nu\rangle$$

$$\tilde{P}_{n,\nu,m,\mu} = P_{m,\mu,n,\nu} \times e^{-I_{m,\mu,n,\nu}}$$

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Trajectories:

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$$\tilde{P}_{m,k,n} = p'_m \times \tilde{p}_{n,k|m}$$

$$I_{m,k,n} = \Delta s_{m,n} + \Delta s_k^R$$

$$\text{Micro-reversibility} \Rightarrow \tilde{M}_k = e^{-\Delta s_k^R} \Theta^\dagger M_k^\dagger \Theta$$

Extensions:

- Multiples reservoirs:

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- Concatenation of maps:

$$\rho'_S = \mathcal{E}^{(Z)} \cdot \dots \cdot \mathcal{E}^{(1)}(\rho_S) \quad \mathcal{E}^{(z)}(\rho) = \sum_{k_z} M_{k_z}^{(z)} \rho M_{k_z}^{(z)\dagger} \quad z = 1, \dots, Z$$

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applications to Markovian Master Equations: $\dot{S}_i^{\text{tot}} = \dot{S} + \dot{S}_R \geq 0$

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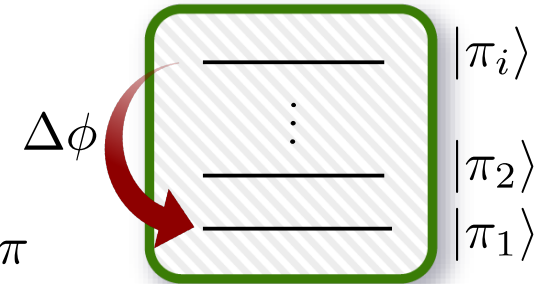
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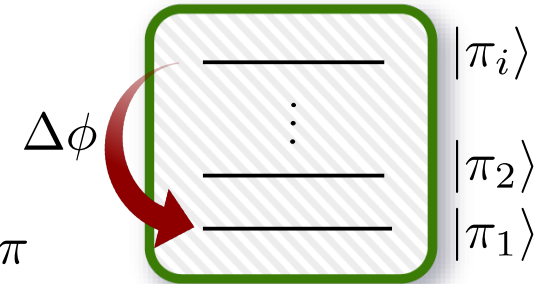
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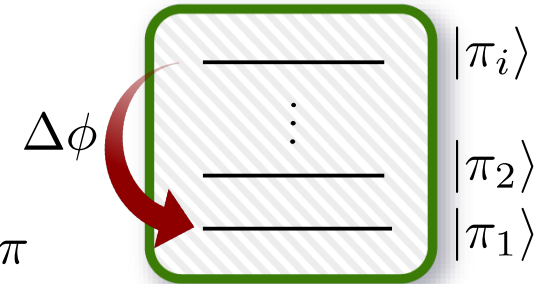
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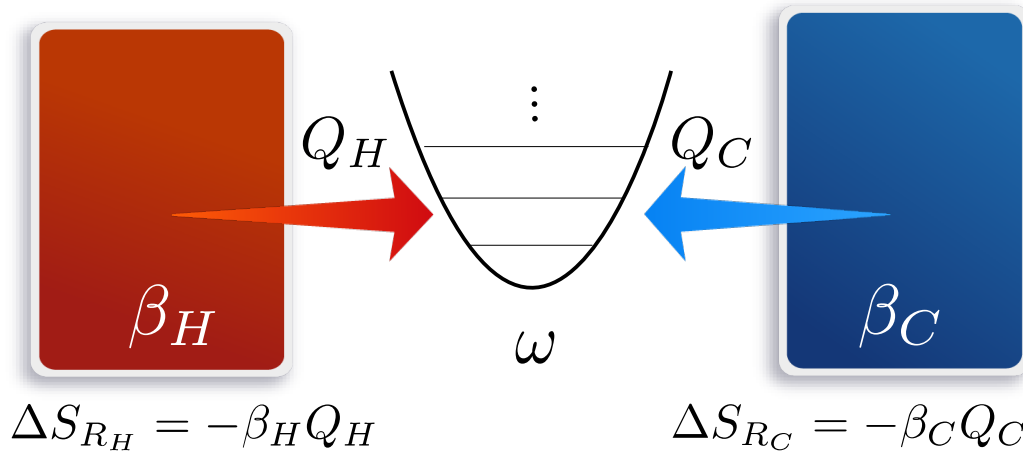
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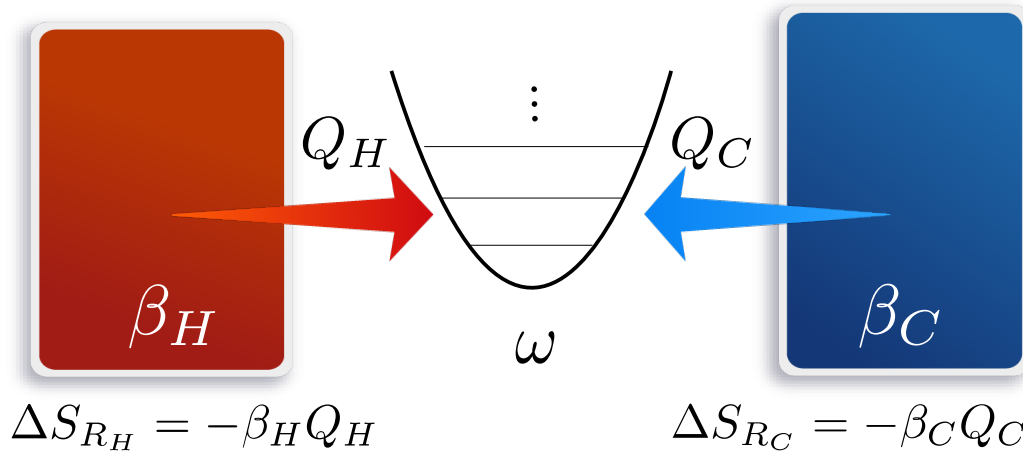
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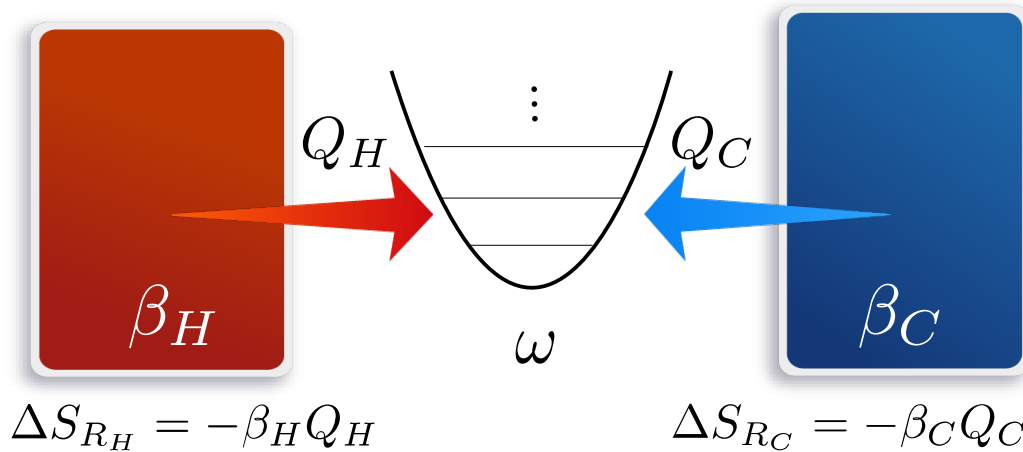
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Starting in the steady state: $\Delta S = 0$ $\Delta_i S_{\text{na}} = 0$ $\Delta_i S_{\text{tot}} = \Delta_i S_{\text{ad}} = (\beta_C - \beta_H) Q \geq 0$
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