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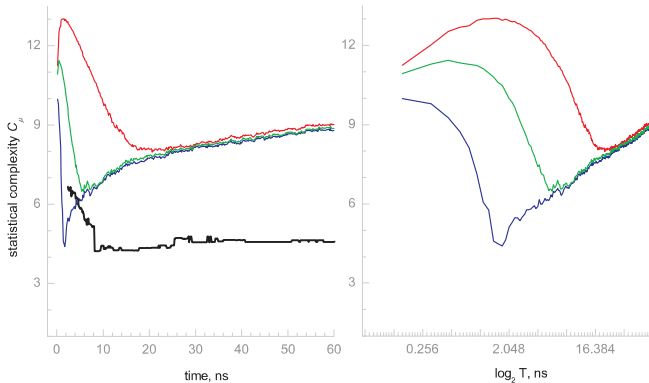
a direct measure of the phase space exploration by the trajectory at macroscopic time scales

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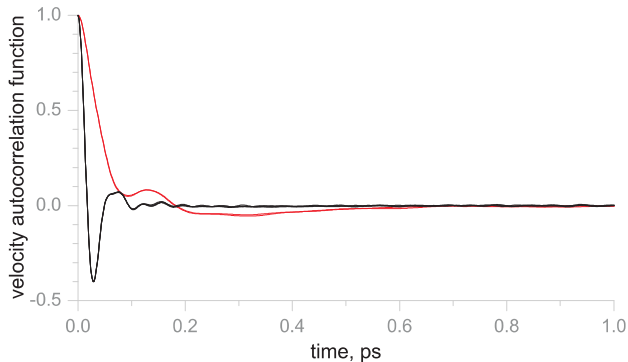
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# Logarithmic growth of the Statistical Complexity



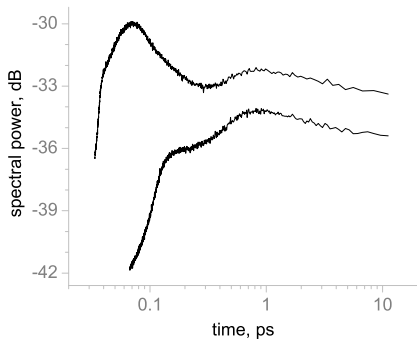
**Figure:** Statistical complexity against time for the hydrogen velocity signal and the surrogate.

## Velocity autocorrelation



**Figure:** Velocity autocorrelation function for oxygen (red) and hydrogen atoms.

## Spectra of the signals



**Figure:** Spectra of the hydrogen and oxygen velocities.  
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## Causal states occurrences

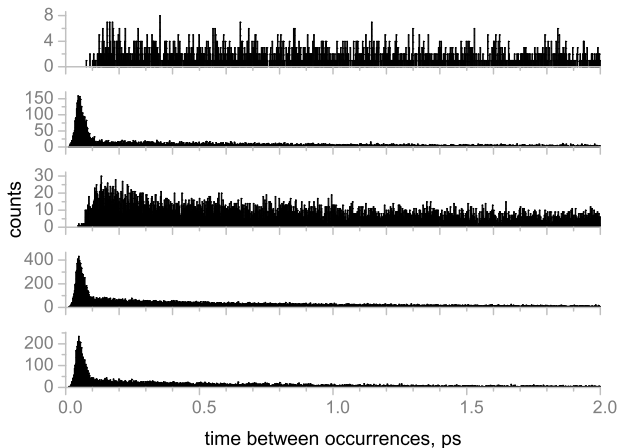


Figure: Histograms of the times between successive occurrences of five representative causal states.

## Classification of the causal states

"frequent" states	About 30 states that occur with the frequency of less than 0.1ps (autocorrelation decay time): do not change with the signal length
all other states	Many less frequent states: grow with the length of the signal
surrogate signal	The same number of states as "frequent" states
"frequent" spectra	Have a maximum at 1ps

# Statistical Physics meaning of Statistical Complexity

phase space points	The evolution of the statistical mechanical phase space points $\mathbf{q} : \mathbf{q}_{t+1} = T\mathbf{q}_t$ .
Markov dynamics	Because of the determinism the dynamics $\{\mathbf{q}_t\}$ forms a Markov chain.
microstate	For an ensemble a random variable representing the current microstate is $\mathbf{Q}$ .
macrostate	A macroscopic observed variable is a function $f$ of the microstate $\mathbf{Q}$ .
partitioning	The function $f$ partitions the phase-space into mutually exclusive and jointly exhaustive sets, on each of which $f$ takes a unique value.
observed process	The observed process is $A = f(\mathbf{Q})$ and it is not Markovian. However, a Markovian process can be constructed from the observed one by building the $\epsilon$ -machine on $A$ . Now the sequence of the causal states $\{S_t\}$ makes a Markov chain.

$$C_\mu = I[\mathbf{Q}; S]$$

Shalizi and Moore show that in this setting the Statistical Complexity of  $S$  quantifies the amount of information contained in the macrostate about the microstate:

$$C_\mu = I[\mathbf{Q}; S],$$

where  $I$  is the mutual information between random variables  $X$  and  $Y$ :  $I[X; Y] = H[X] - H[X|Y]$ ; and  $H[X|Y]$  is a conditional entropy of  $X$  given  $Y$ :  
 $H[X|Y] = - \sum P(X) \sum P(X|Y) \log_2 P(X|Y)$ .



## Why $C_\mu$ grows?

A situation when a single trajectory of the system with time covers the phase space: a "microstate" would consist of the areas sampled by the trajectory up to time  $t$ :

$$\mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{Q}(t).$$

Therefore,  $C_\mu$  becomes dependent on time and now reflects the way the trajectory covers the phase space:

$$C_\mu(t) = I[\mathbf{Q}(t); S].$$

$h_Q$  is a measure of the whole phase space

The coefficient  $h_Q$  as a measure of the growth rate:

$$C_\mu = a + h_Q \log_2 T$$

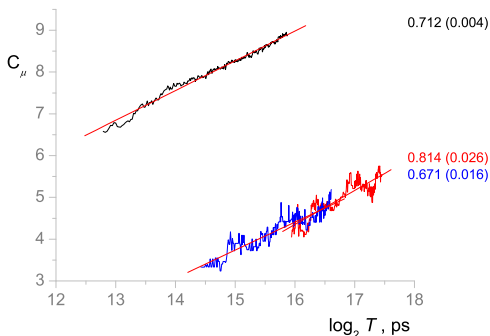
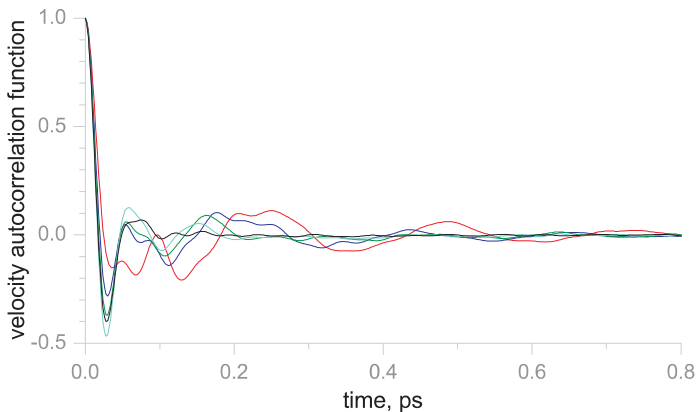


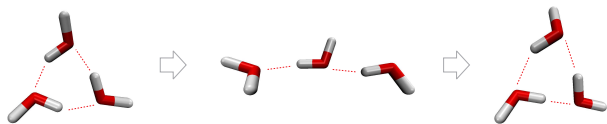
Figure:  $h_Q$  values for: black - the hydrogen velocity, red - the oxygen velocity, and blue - the instantaneous temperature.

## Clusters: different dynamics



**Figure:** Velocity autocorrelation function for oxygen 3, 7, 15, 52, and pbc water models.

## Clusters: different dynamics



**Figure:** Snapshots of the 3w cluster at 0, 0.78, and 1.42 ps (relative time) illustrating the process of quick rearrangement when two molecules have only one hydrogen bond connection each.

## Complexity for the clusters

- ”frequent” states    The number of the ”frequent” states (short time dynamics) is the same
- short time  $C_\mu$     The probabilities of the ”frequent” states are different, however, the overall complexity,  $C_\mu$  is the same
- $h_Q$     Phase space exploration,  $h_Q$  is different, especially for 3w:

**Table:**  $h_Q$  values for different clusters and pbc

molecular system	$h_Q$
3w	$0.904 \pm 0.002$
7w	$0.675 \pm 0.005$
15w	$0.675 \pm 0.004$
52w	$0.703 \pm 0.004$
pbc	$0.658 \pm 0.005$

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