



Linking friction scales from Nano to Macro via avalanches

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Introduction / Motivation

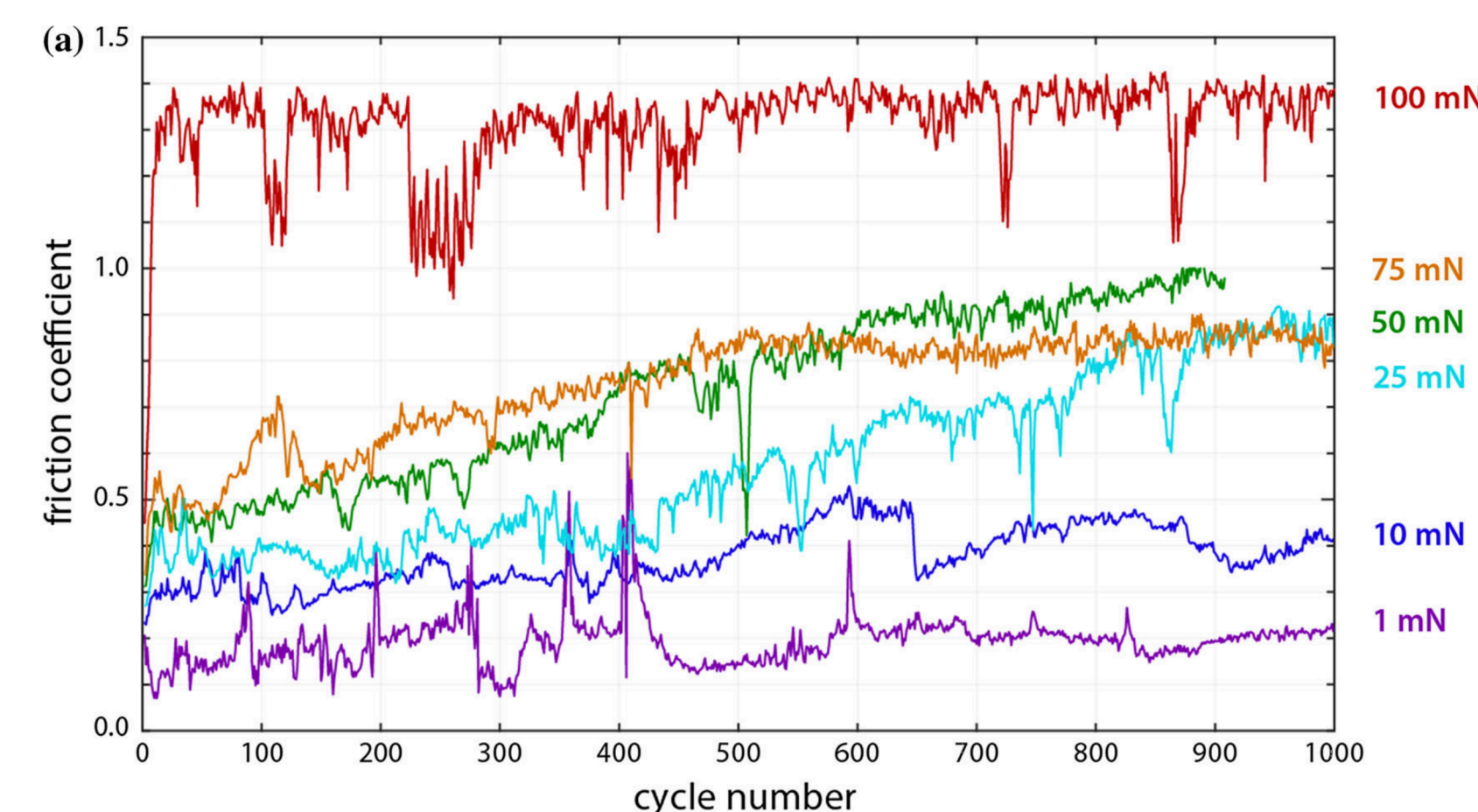
Externally driven
Quenched disorder
Elastic interactions



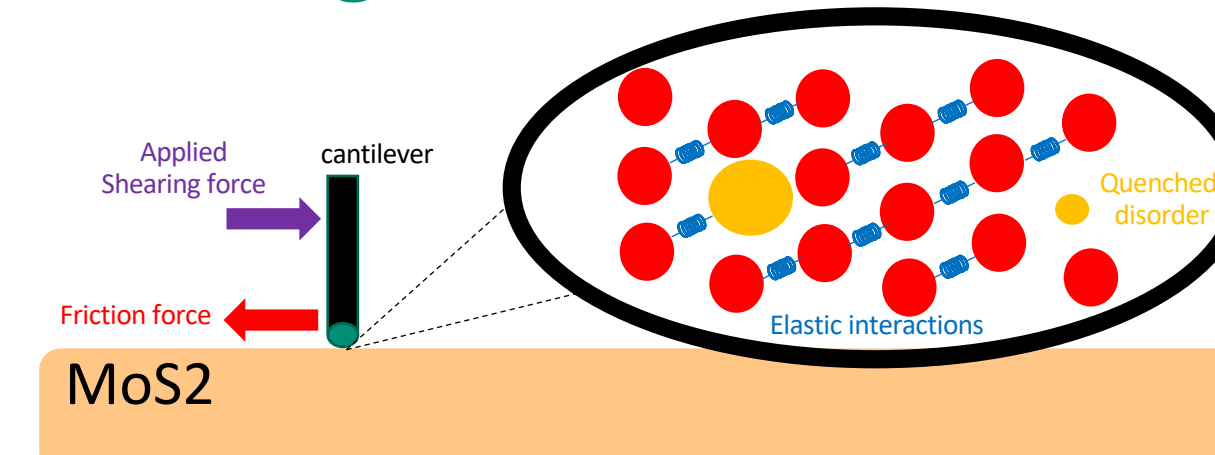
-Bulk metallic glass
-Earthquakes
-Nanocrystals
-High entropy alloys
-Friction?

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Tribological measurements



Model friction force slips

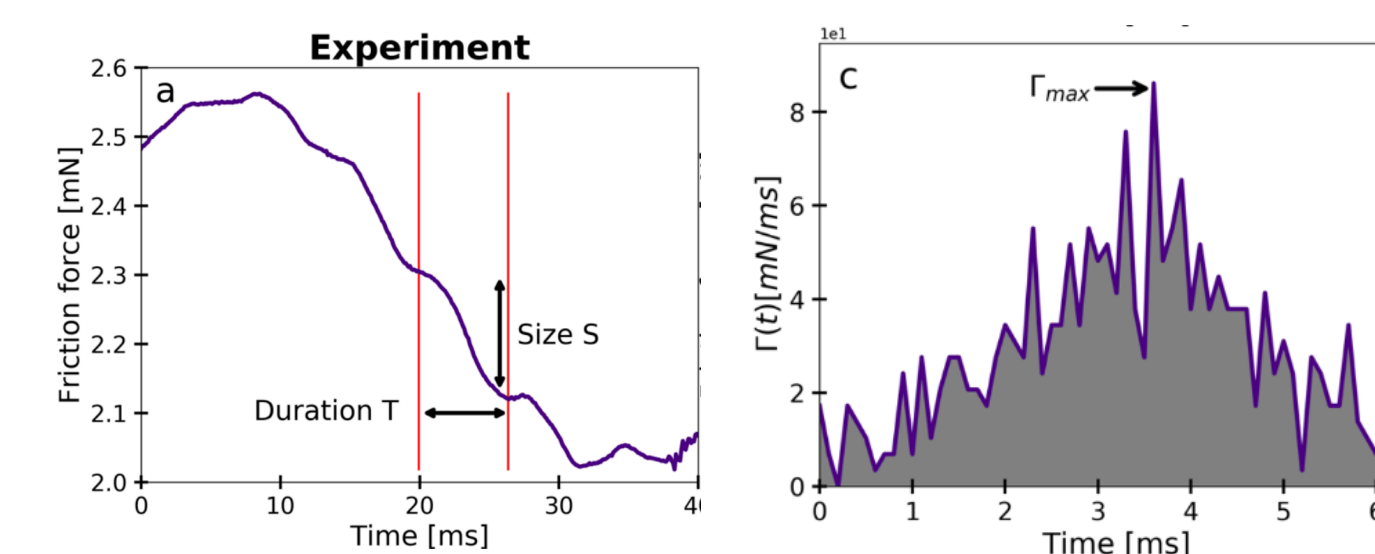
$$\frac{\eta \partial u(r, t)}{\partial t} = [F + \sigma_{int}(r, t) - f_R] u(r, t) - \{u(r, t') < t\}$$

Meanfield approximation

$$\sigma_{int}(r, t) = \int_{-\infty}^t dt' \int d^2r' J(r - r', t - t') \times [u(r', t') - u(r, t)]$$

$$\bar{u} = \sum_r u(r, t) \quad \sigma_{int}(r, t) = J[\bar{u} - u(r, t)]$$

Extract slips from experiments and molecular dynamics

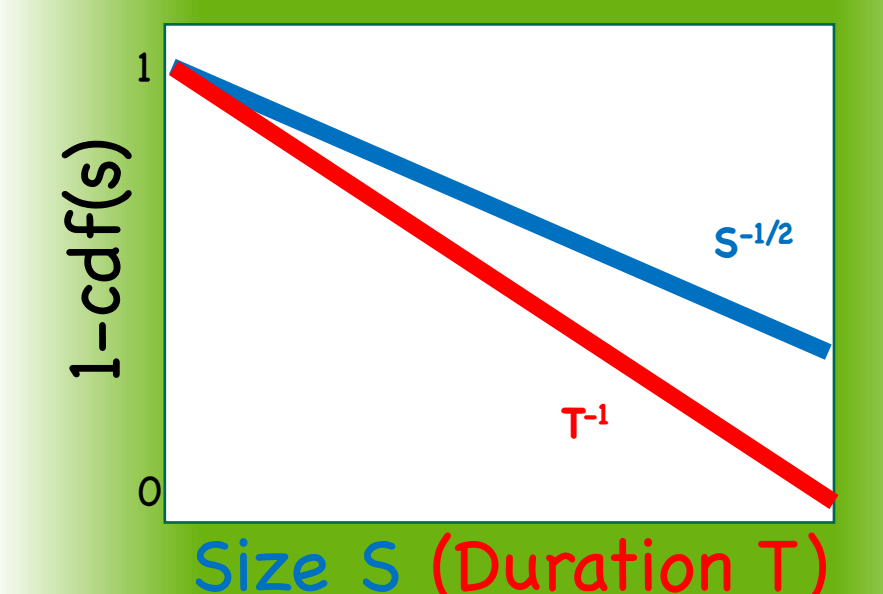


Characterize statistics

PDF ~ Histogram

$$CDF(s) = \int_0^s PDF(s') ds'$$

***still a power law;
different exponent
 $A=3/2 \rightarrow 1/2$
 $B=2 \rightarrow 1$



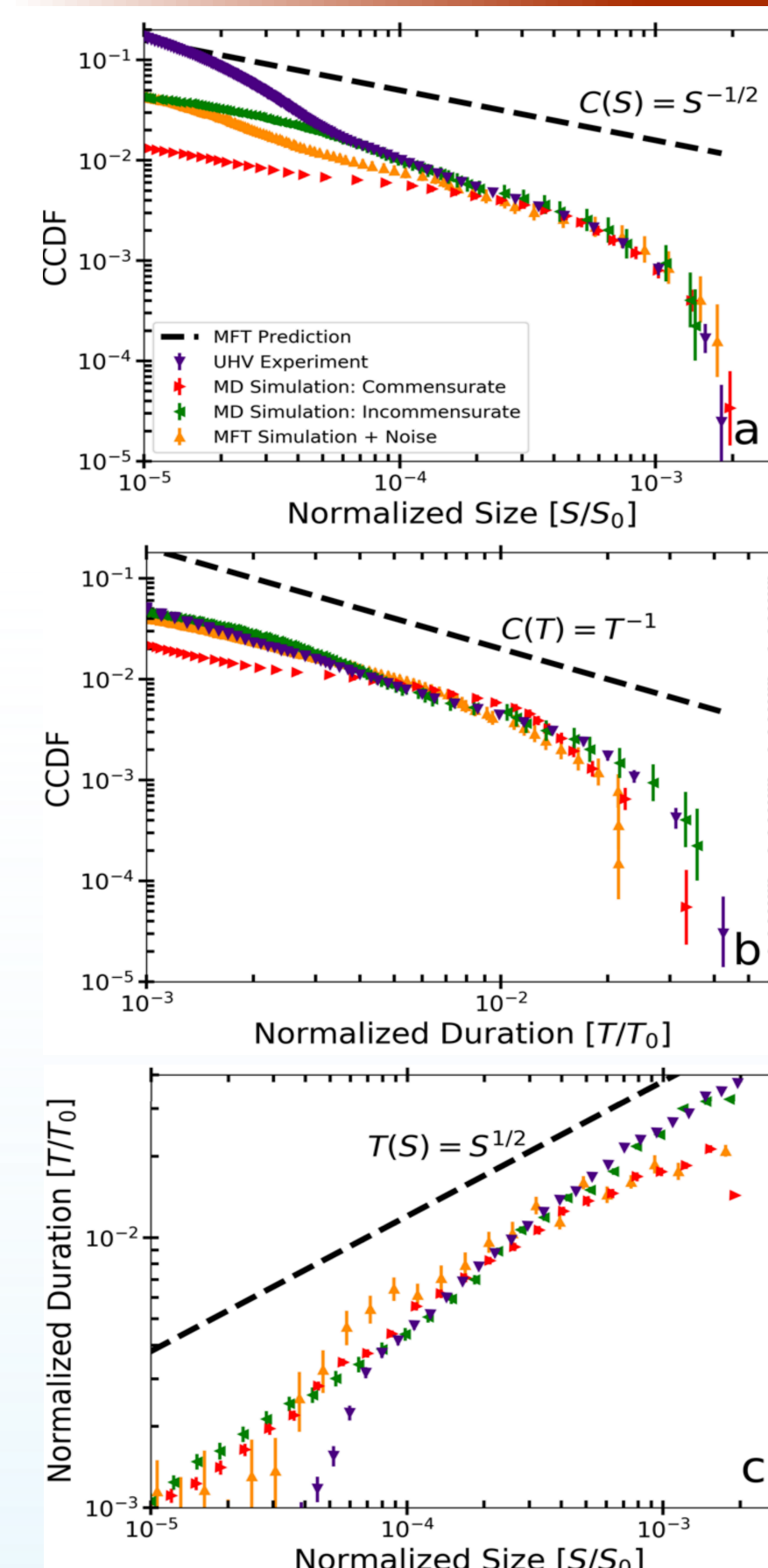
$$Pdf(S) \sim S^{-A}, Pdf(T) \sim T^{-B}, \langle T \rangle(S) \sim S^{A-1/B-1}$$

$$\langle \Gamma_{S_i}(t_j) \rangle / \sqrt{S_i} = \alpha(t_j / \sqrt{S_i}) e^{-\beta(t_j / \sqrt{S_i})^2}$$

$$\langle \Gamma_{T_i}(t_j) \rangle \sim \left(\frac{t_j}{T_i}\right) \left(1 - \left(\frac{t_j}{T_i}\right)\right)$$

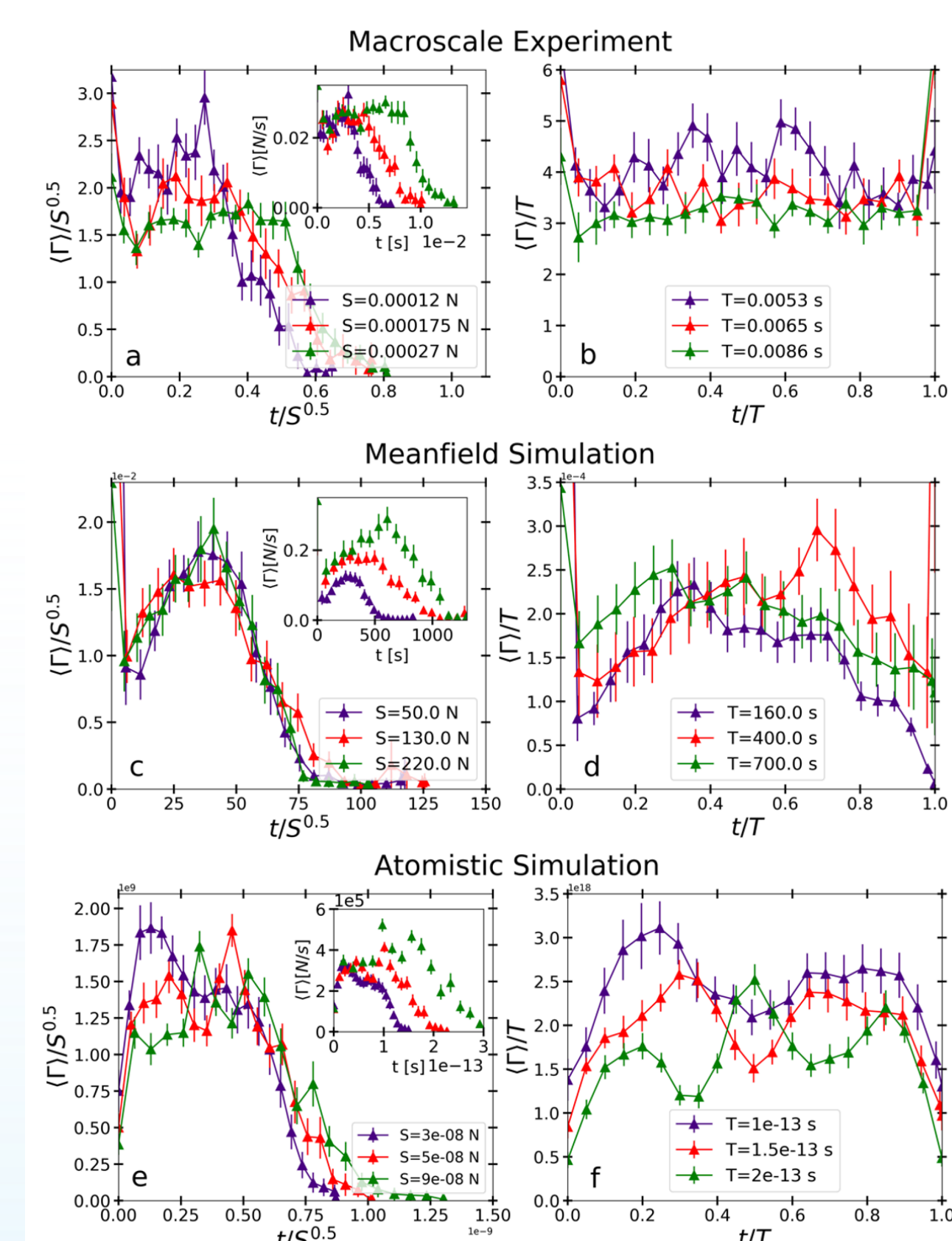
Measurable predictions

Current Status/ Results

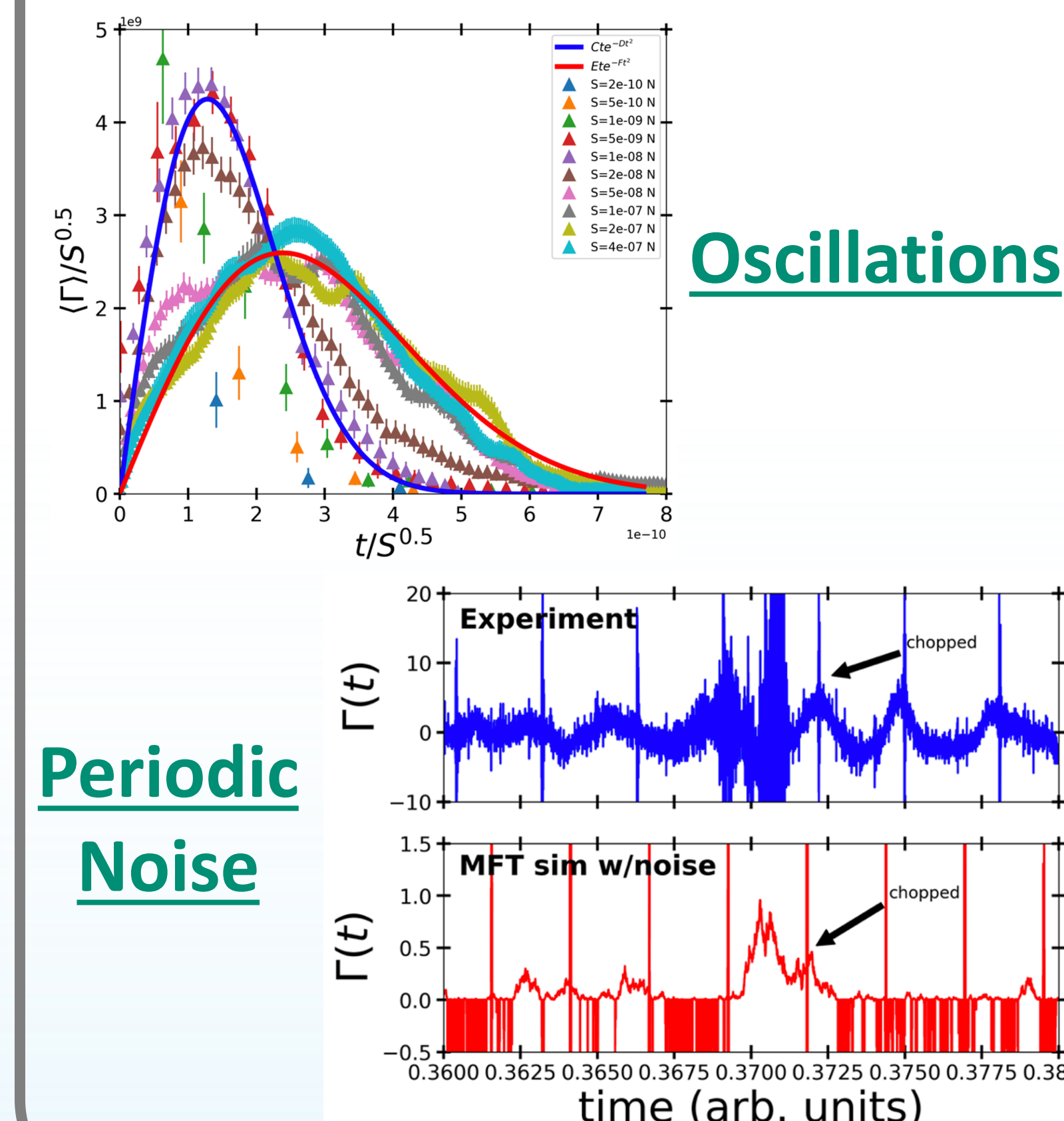


- ❖ Probability distributions of avalanche size and durations follow a power law for all systems
- ❖ The duration averaged in size follows a power law for all systems
- ❖ Averaged avalanche profiles can be collapsed onto each other
- ❖ Oscillations in the experiments and simulations disrupt the scaling regime
- ❖ Experimental apparatus can cause periodic noise that offsets the beginning of avalanche shape profiles (emulated by mean field simulations).

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Challenges



Next Steps / Future Work

- ❖ Predictive modeling of frictional wear events with avalanche statistics

