

Transition Path Sampling with improved Off-policy training of Diffusion Path Samplers

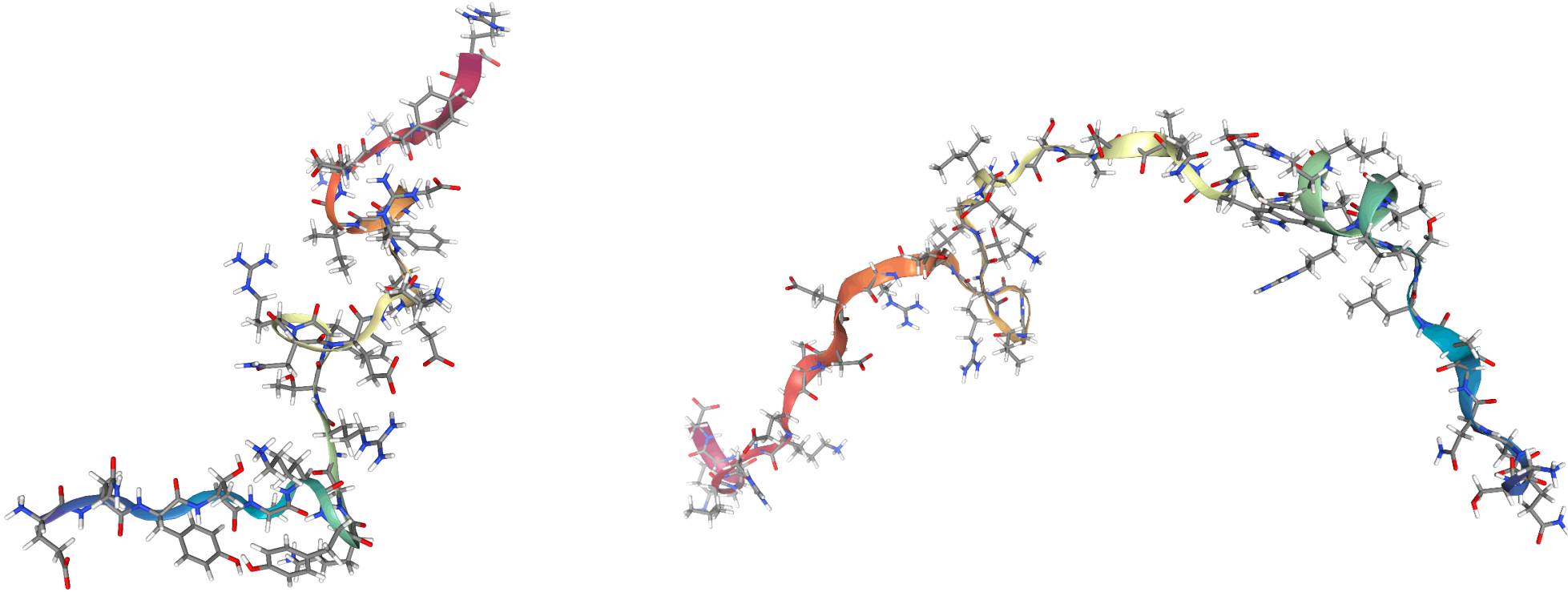
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Goal

- Our goal is to sample rare transitions without trapped in meta-stable states.



Fast folding proteins (ours)

Molecular dynamics

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Langevin dynamics

$\mathbf{R}_t \in \mathbb{R}^{3N}$

atom-wise positions

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atom-wise velocities

$U: \mathbb{R}^{3N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

potential energy

m

atom-wise mass

γ

friction coefficient

k_B

Boltzmann constant

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Temperature

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Amortized transition path sampling

- Transition path $\{X_t\}_{0 \leq t \leq T}$ is a sample from **endpoint conditioned** Langevin dynamics

$$d\mathbf{X}_t = \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{X}_t)dt + \Sigma d\mathbf{W}_t, \quad \mathbf{R}_0 \in \mathcal{A}, \mathbf{R}_T \in \mathcal{B}$$

- To amortize inference with endpoint condition, we consider controlled dynamics

$$d\mathbf{X}_t = \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{X}_t)dt + \Sigma \mathbf{v}_\theta(\mathbf{X}_t)dt + \Sigma d\mathbf{W}_t, \quad \mathbf{R}_0 \in \mathcal{A}$$

$$\boxed{\mathbf{v}_\theta(\mathbf{X}_t)} = \Sigma^{-1} \left(\mathbf{0}, \frac{\boxed{b_\theta(\mathbf{X}_t)}}{m} \right) \begin{matrix} \leftarrow \text{bias force} \\ \uparrow \\ \text{policy} \end{matrix}$$

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Endpoint conditioned MD
Induces **target path measure**

\mathbb{Q}

\approx

\mathbb{P}_{v_θ}

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Controlled MD
induces **path measure**

$$\boxed{v_\theta(\mathbf{X}_t)} = \Sigma^{-1} \left(0, \frac{\boxed{b_\theta(\mathbf{X}_t)}}{m} \right)$$

↑
policy

← bias force

Key ideas

(1) How to design objective function?

$$\begin{aligned} Q \\ \rightsquigarrow \\ \mathbb{P}_{v_\theta} \end{aligned}$$

(2) How to parameterize bias force?

$$b_\theta(X_t)$$

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→ log variance divergence for off-policy training

\mathbb{Q}
 \mathbb{P}_{v_θ}

$$\mathbb{V}_{\mathbb{P}} \left[\log \frac{d\mathbb{P}_{v_\theta}}{d\mathbb{Q}} \right]$$

Reference path measure

Off policy training ($\mathbb{P} \neq \mathbb{P}_{v_\theta}$) allows

- 1) generating paths at high temperature
- 2) reusing generated paths with replay buffer

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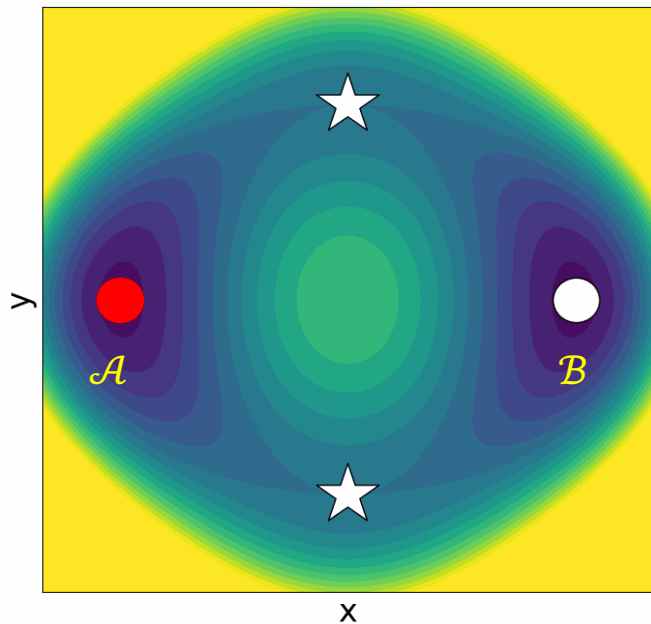
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$\mathbf{b}_\theta(\mathbf{X}_t)$

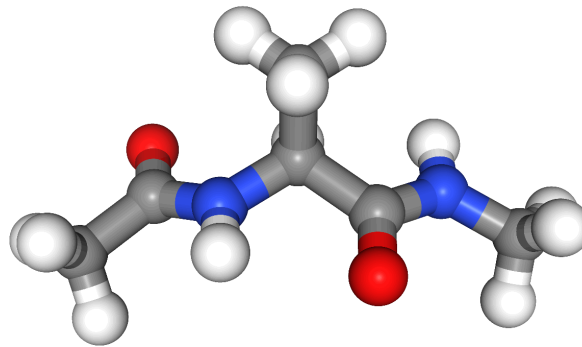
- force $\mathbf{b}_\theta(\mathbf{X}_t) \in \mathbb{R}^{3N}$ or potential $b_\theta(\mathbf{X}_t) \in \mathbb{R}$ for small systems
- **positive scaling** $\mathbf{b}_\theta(\mathbf{X}_t) = \mathbf{s}_\theta(\mathbf{X}_t) * (\mathbf{R}_\mathcal{B} - \mathbf{R}_t)$ for large systems

Results

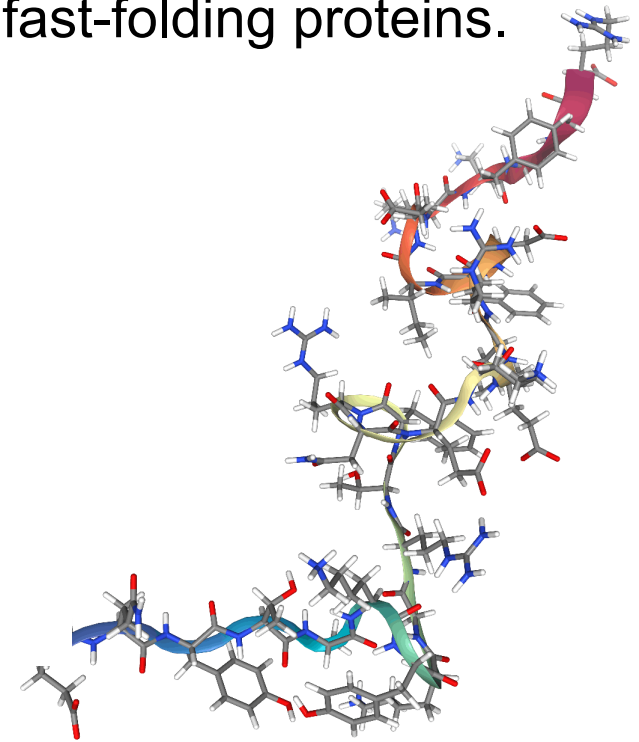
- Our method, named TPS-DPS, samples more **realistic** and **diverse** transition paths than baselines on double-well, Alanine Dipeptide, and fast-folding proteins.



Double-well

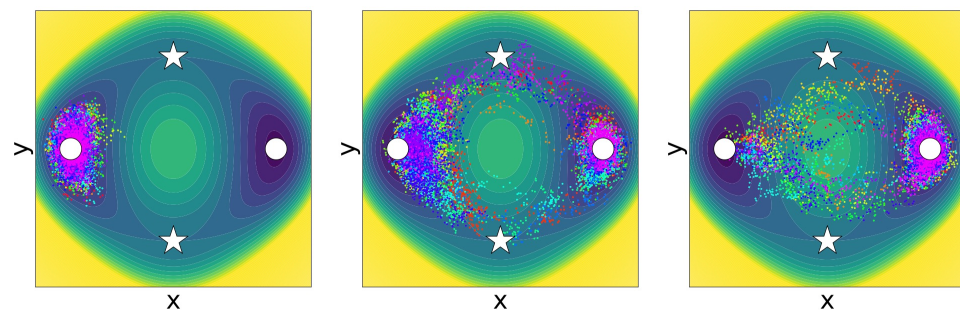


Alanine Dipeptide



Fast-folding protein

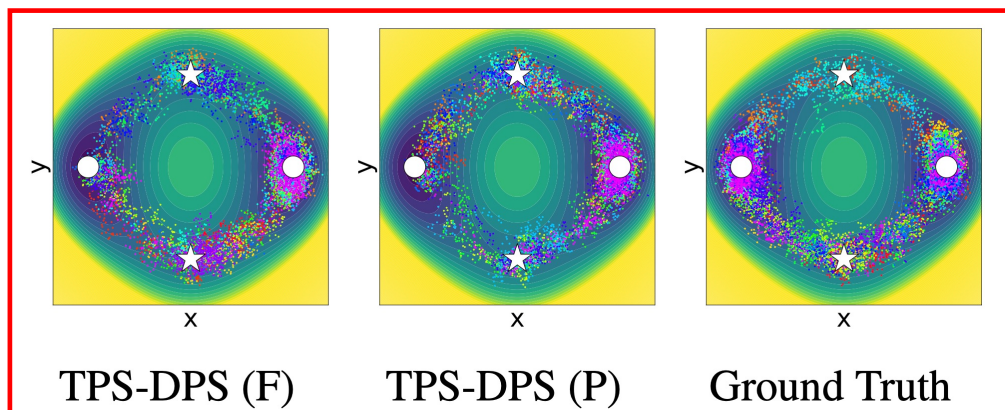
Results – double well



UMD

SMD (0.5)

SMD (1)

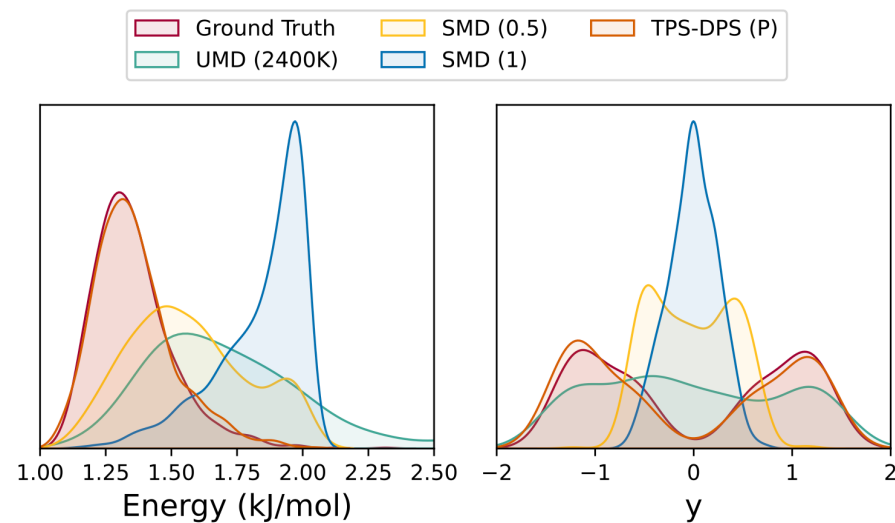


TPS-DPS (F)

TPS-DPS (P)

Ground Truth

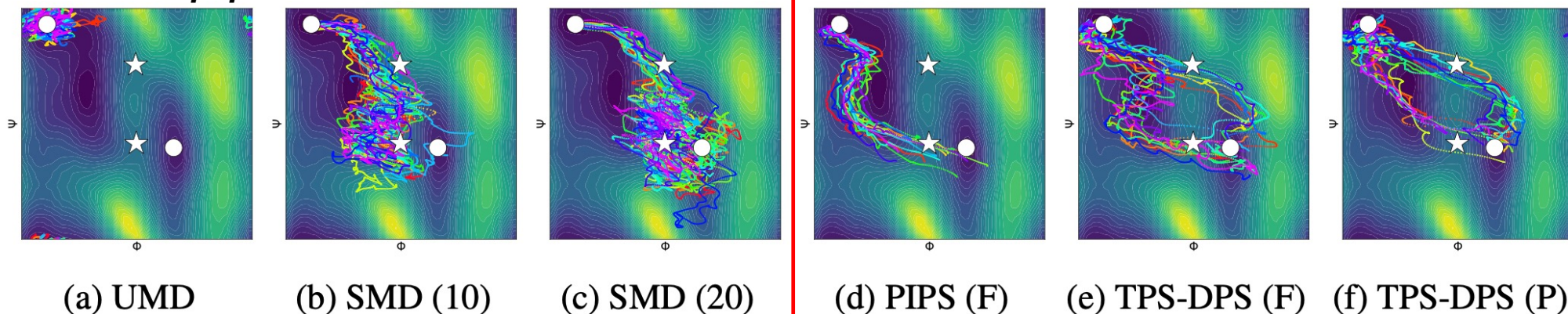
Sampled paths



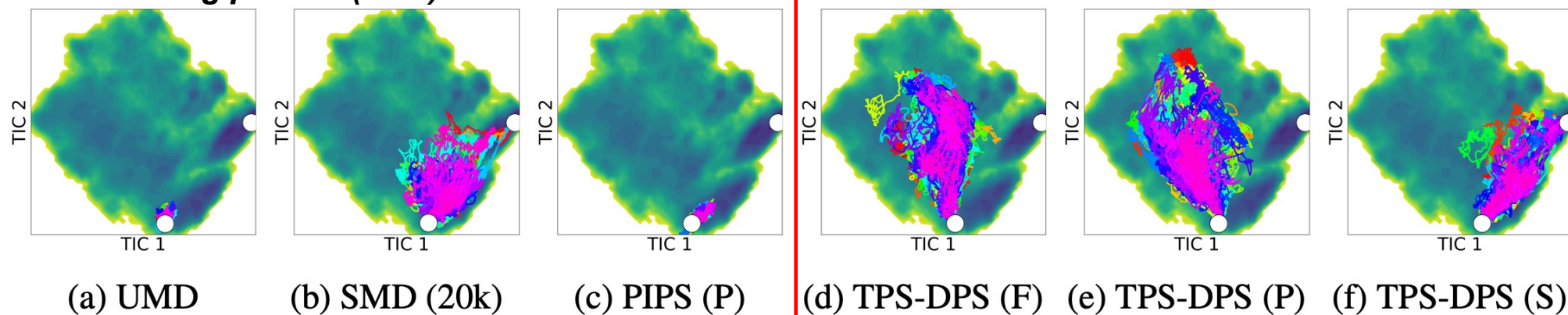
Distributions of transition state

Results – real molecules

Alanine Dipeptide



Fast folding protein (BBL)



Links

- Paper: <https://arxiv.org/abs/2405.19961v5>
- Project page: <https://kiyoung98.github.io/tps-dps/>
- Code: <https://github.com/kiyoung98/tps-dps>