Cargo transport by catch bonded motors in optical trapping assays

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Catchbonding

Protein-ligand binding when subject to force:

Catch Bond : Increase in Force -> Bond lifetime increases (unbinding rate decreases) Slip Bond : Increase in Force -> Bond lifetime decreases



Binding of Dynein motor to MT filament

Kunwar et.al, PNAS (2011)



P-selectin binding to endothelial cells

Prezhdo et.al, Acc. Chem. Res (2013)

Modeling catchbond in dynein motor

Threshold Force Bond Deformation (TFBD) model

- Allosteric deformation results in catchbonding
 - Catch-bonding activates beyond a threshold force

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A. Nair, S. Chandel, M. Mitra, SM & A Chaudhuri PRE (2016)

Unbinding rate: $\mathcal{E}(f) = \mathcal{E}_o \exp[-E_d(f) + f/f_d]$

$$E_d(f) = \Theta(f - f_m) \alpha \left[1 - \exp\left(-\frac{f - f_m}{f_o}\right)\right]$$



Experiment: Kunwar, et.al , PNAS (2011)

Manifestation of catchbond within cell

• Anamolous Unidirectional transport





A.Nair, S. Chandel, M.K. Mitra, SM & A. Chaudhuri (PRE, 2016)



Puri et.al . Phys. Rev. Res (2019)



Generation of spontaneous oscillation
in motor-filament complexes

N. Sundararajan, S. Guha, M.K. Mitra & SM (Biophys. J, 2021)

QUESTION

• How does catchbonding affect transport characteristics in optical trapping assay (Variable force ensemble) ?



Cellular cargo transport in optical trap

2D schematic







• Zero backward velocity in superstall condition

Transport by single motor in optical trap

Average First Passage time



Non-monotonic behaviour of FPT as a function of v

Detachment force distribution

Comparison between theory and experiments

Brenner et.al, Sci. Adv. 6 (2020)

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- Theoretical distribution which incorporates catchbonding exhibits good match with the experimental curve
- The catchbond force scale fm has to be lower than maximum stall force fs
- Provides an estimate of the catchbond force scale fm :

(Obtained from least square fit of deviations from experimental curve)

Effects of catch bond on transport by multiple motors



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• Catchbonding leads to higher FPT

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Non-monotomic behaviour of FPT as a function of motor velocity

Effects of varying stall force on average FPT & detachment force

The representation of Average Detachment force (pN) 10²

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SUMMARY AND OUTLOOK

- Catchbonding provides means for regulating transport & manifests itself in transport characteristics in optical trapping assays.
- Non-monotonic behaviour of FPT as a function of velocity & stall force
- Model with catchbond exhibits good match with experimental detachment force characteristics
- Provides a way of estimating the catchbond force scale f_m

N. Sundararajan, S. Guha, SM & M. Mitra, Soft Matter, 20, 566 (2024)

How stochastic (un)binding of motors attached to bead in optical trap can be utilized to function as stochastic heat engine ?