# How Much Does NOT Cost? 

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OR, "The Thermodynamic Cost of Information Processing."

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Information Ratchets!

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- Nature? (Evolutionary Dynamics?)

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