Supplementary Material for "Discriminating protein tags on a dsDNA construct using a Dual Nanopore Device"

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V. SPHERICAL TAGS AND SIDECHAINS COMPARISON

We compare the cumulative dwell time distributions of the seven spherical tags and the sidechain tags. The spherical tag is heavier in mass (6m) and carries a charge 3q. On contrary, the sidechains are of length $l_{tag} = 6\sigma$ with each of the sidechain beads is of mass m and carries a charge 0.5q. Fig. S1 ((a)/(b)) show the dwell time distributions of the $L \to R/R \to L$ scans for the spherical tags and Fig. S1 ((c)/(d)) shows the same for the sidechains. We observe that both the spherical and sidechain tags produce asymmetry in the dwell time. For the $R \to L$ scans the dwell time asymmetry is more prominent for the sidechains which matches closer to the experiment.

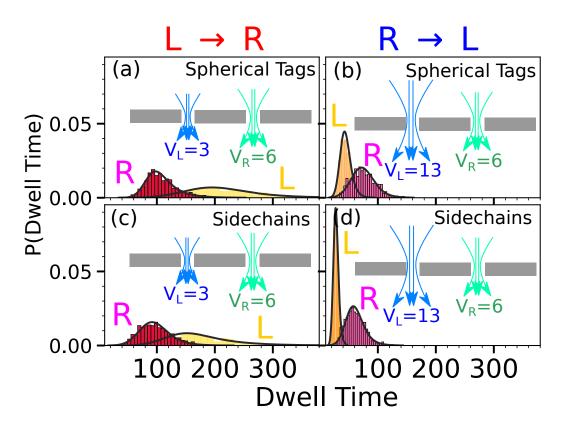


FIG. S1. Cumulative dwell time distributions (a) $L \to R$ and (b) $R \to L$ scans for the seven charged (3q) spherical tags with heavier mass (6m). The next row represent the cumulative dwell time distributions for (c) $L \to R$ and (d) $R \to L$ scans for the charged ($q_{tag} = 0.5q$) sidechain tags of length ($l_{tag} = 6\sigma$) For the both cases, for $L \to R$ translocations left pore voltage is $V_L = 3$ and right pore voltage is $V_R = 6$ while for the $R \to L$ translocations $V_L = 13$ and $V_R = 6$. The yellow/red and the orange/magenta dwell time histograms are obtained from the left/right pore in $L \to R$ and $R \to L$ directions respectively. Schematics of the electrostatic forces on the DNA in the left/right pore are shown by the blue/green arrows (not to scale). The black envelops represent the exponentially modified Gaussian distribution fit of the dwell time histograms.