

**Erratum: Effect of supercoiling on formation of protein-mediated DNA loops  
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Figure 2(a) was incorrectly attributed to A. Balaeff, L. Mahadevan, and K. Schulten, Phys. Rev. Lett. 83, 4900 (1999) (our Ref. [15]). The correct citation is A. Balaeff, L. Mahadevan, and K. Schulten, Phys. Rev. E 73, 031919 (2006) (our Ref. [32]).

In addition, the figure caption should have clearly stated that Fig. 2(a) was taken in its entirety from the above article. It was reproduced in our article to illustrate the relevance of the simplified mathematical problem we discussed to gene regulation, and to illustrate the existence of much more detailed models than the one we gave.