

# Proving Global Stability of Processive Phosphorylation Systems

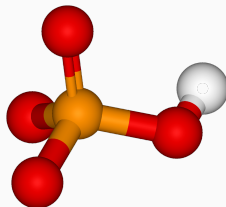
Using Graph Reductions

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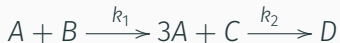
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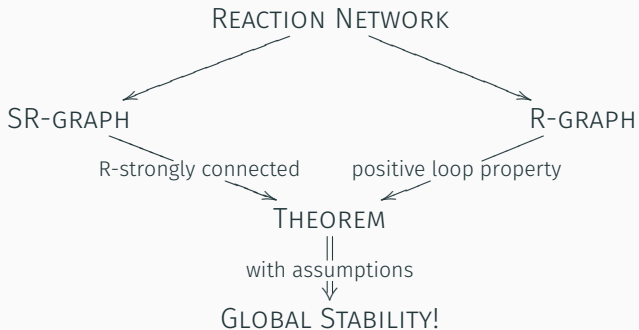
- A chemical reaction network is a graph with species, reactions and complexes



- Mass-action kinematics converts a network into a dynamical system
- Monotone theory is used to prove global stability



# Graph Constructions



*We use the setup from [1].*

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# The SR-graph

- The **SR-graph** is a directed graph  $G_{SR} = (V_{SR}, E_{SR}, L_{SR})$
- The set of vertices  $V_{SR}$  is the union of all species and reactions
- Rules governing edges and labels:
  1. If a species  $S$  is a reactant in any reaction or a product in a reversible reaction, then  $\overrightarrow{SR}, \overleftarrow{RS} \in E_{SR}$ .
  2. If a species  $S$  is a reactant in an irreversible reaction, then  $\overrightarrow{RS} \in E_{SR}$ .
  3. Let  $SR \in E$ . If  $S$  is a reactant,  $L(S, R) := +$  and if  $S$  is a product,  $L(S, R) := -$ .

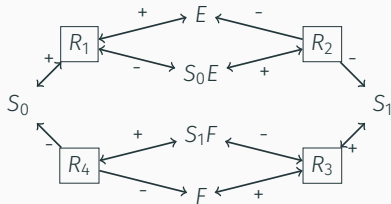
# The SR-graph

## Example (1-site phosphorylation)

Chemical  
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SR-graph



# The R-graph

- The **R-graph** is an undirected graph  $G = (V_R, E_R, L_R)$
- The set of vertices  $V_R$  is the set of reactions
- Rules governing edges:
  1. If there is a length-2 path connecting  $R_i$  and  $R_j$  in the SR-graph, then  $R_i R_j \in E$
  2. Edges are labeled with the opposite of the product of the labels on the length-2 path



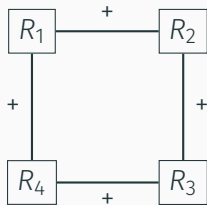
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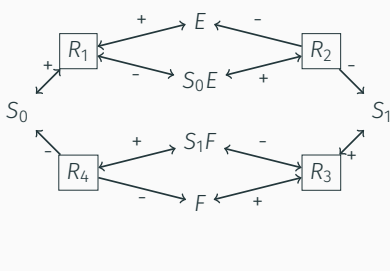
# Graph Properties

## Definition

An SR-graph is *R-strongly connected* if there exists a directed path between every pair of reaction vertices.

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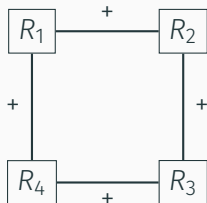
# Graph Properties

## Definition

We say an R-graph has the *positive loop property* if every simple loop has an even number of negative edges.

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## Theorem (Global Stability)

*Let  $G$  be a reaction network satisfying several assumptions. Suppose*

- 1. the  $R$ -graph of  $G$  has the positive loop property,*
- 2. the directed  $SR$ -graph of  $G$  is strongly connected,*
- 3. concentrations do not vanish asymptotically (bounded-persistence), and*
- 4.  $\ker \Gamma \cap \text{int } K \neq \emptyset$ .*

*Then  $G$  has a unique steady state and it is a global attractor.*

# Graph Reductions

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# Removing Intermediates

To remove an **intermediate**  $Y$ , the following two conditions must be met:

- (l1)  $Y$  consists of exactly one species and does not appear in any other complex
- (l2) there exist unique complexes  $y$  and  $y'$  such that
  - either  $y \rightarrow Y$  or  $y \rightleftharpoons Y$  is a reaction
  - either  $Y \rightarrow y'$  or  $Y \rightleftharpoons y'$  is a reaction
  - shared species in  $y$  and  $y'$  (represented by  $e$ ) have the same weights
  - $y - e \rightarrow y' - e$ ,  $y' - e \rightarrow y - e$ ,  $y - e \rightleftharpoons y' - e$  and  $y' - e \rightleftharpoons y - e$  are *not* reactions

# Removing Intermediates

From the network  $G = (\mathcal{S}, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{R})$ , we construct the reduced network  $G^* = (\mathcal{S}^*, \mathcal{C}^*, \mathcal{R}^*)$ .

We define  $\mathcal{R}^* := \mathcal{R}_C^* \cup \mathcal{R}_Y^*$ , where  $\mathcal{R}_Y^*$  is the subset of reactions in  $\mathcal{R}$  that do not have  $Y$  as a product or reactant and

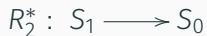
$$R_Y^* := \begin{cases} \{y - e \rightleftharpoons y' - e\}, & \text{if } y \rightleftharpoons Y, Y \rightleftharpoons y' \in \mathcal{R} \\ \{y - e \rightarrow y' - e\}, & \text{if } y \rightarrow Y \in \mathcal{R}, \text{ or } Y \rightarrow y' \in \mathcal{R} \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

## Example (1-site phosphorylation)





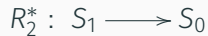
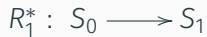
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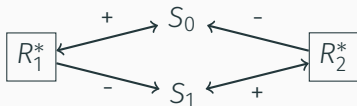
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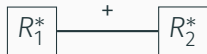
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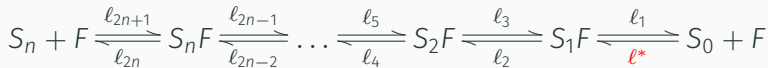
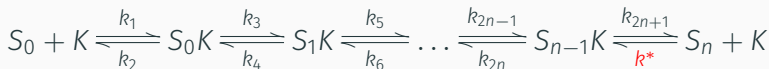
## Theorem (Invariance Under Removing Intermediates)

*Let  $G$  be a reaction network some basic network assumptions. Suppose  $G^*$  is a reaction network obtained from  $G$  by successive removal of intermediates. Then*

- 1. the directed SR-graph of  $G^*$  is R-strongly connected if, and only if, the directed SR-graph of  $G$  is strongly connected,*
- 2. the R-graph of  $G^*$  has the positive loop property if, and only if, the R-graph of  $G$  has the positive loop property,*
- 3.  $G^*$  is bounded persistent if and only if  $G$  is bounded persistent*
- 4.*
- 5.  $\ker \Gamma^* \cap \text{int } K^* \neq \emptyset \iff \ker \Gamma \cap \text{int } K \neq \emptyset.$*

# Processive Phosphorylation

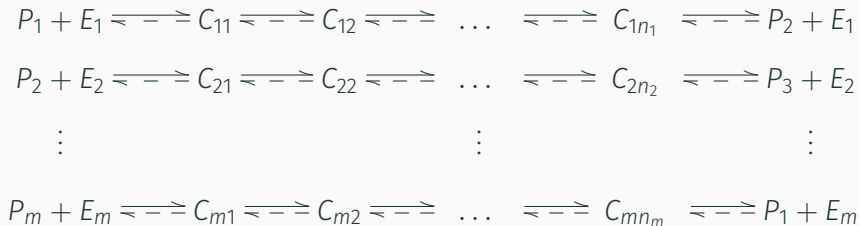
## $n$ -site Processive Phosphorylation



This model captures systems that are reversible, irreversible and have product inhibition.

*Last time we showed that the  $n$ -site model is globally stable.*

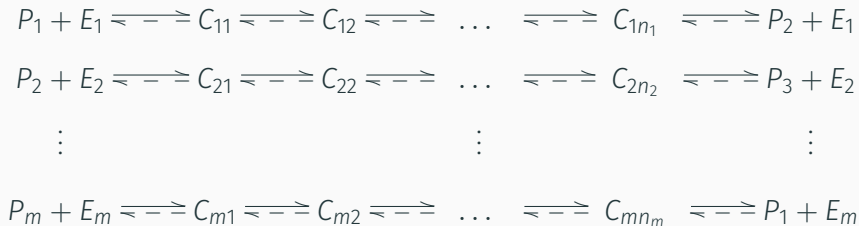
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## Theorem (ME)

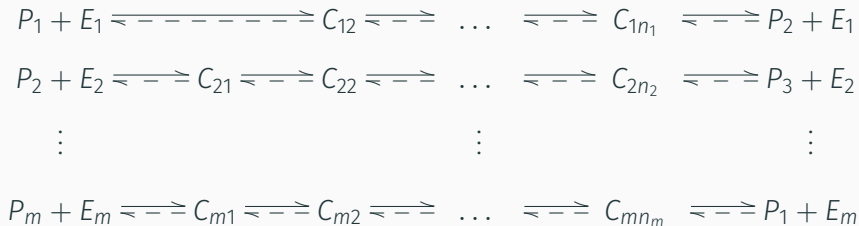
*The dynamical system of the generalized model arising from mass-action kinematics has a unique positive steady state and it is a global attractor.*

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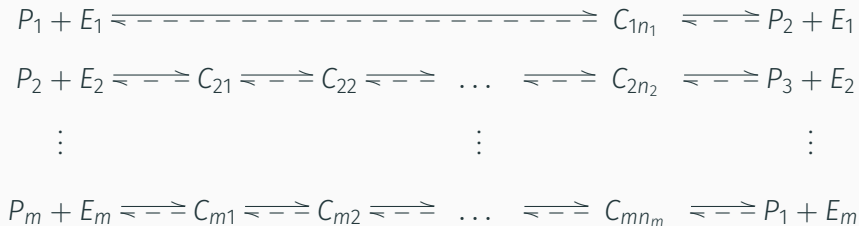
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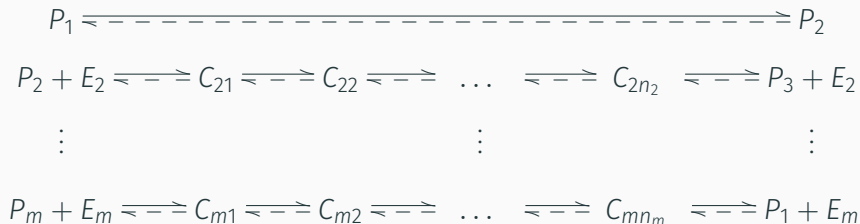


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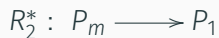


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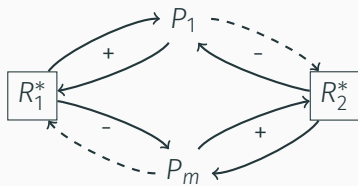


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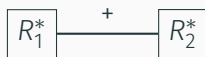
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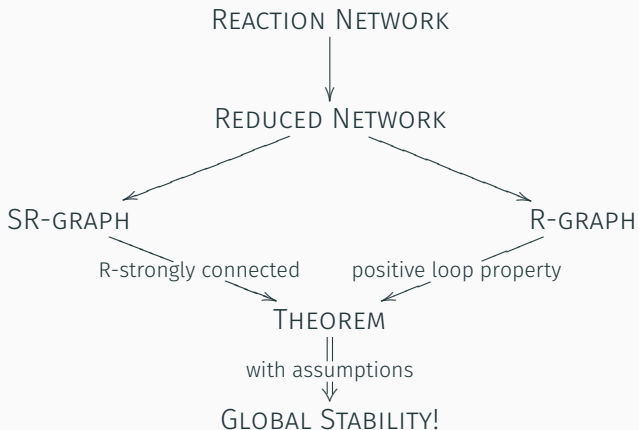


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Thank You!

## References

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