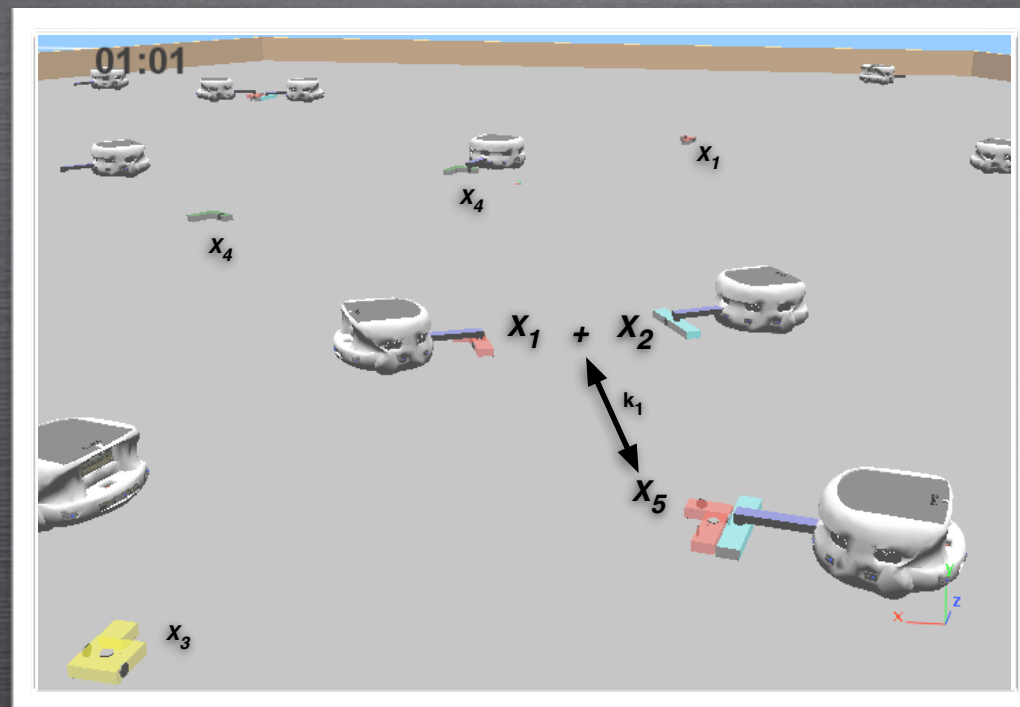


HYBRID REACTIONS MODELING FOR TOP-DOWN DESIGN

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1. INTRODUCTION

Context

- Joint work with the GRASP Lab from University of Pennsylvania (Penn), Prof. Vijay Kumar.
- Considered problem:
 - Stochastic assembly of products
- Solving for poor yield: add agents to the initial system or modify the behavior to improve performance.
 - Augmented system.

2. GOALS

- Propose a theoretical framework for the Augmented System problem.
- Validation using a higher-level assembly task (biological scale).
 - Realistic physics simulation with Webots.
- Develop mathematical models and simulations fitting the tasks.
 - Use a chemical reaction network (CRN) formalism.
- Optimize the chemical reaction network model and map it back on the realistic platform.

3. STOCHASTIC ASSEMBLY

Definition (refined)

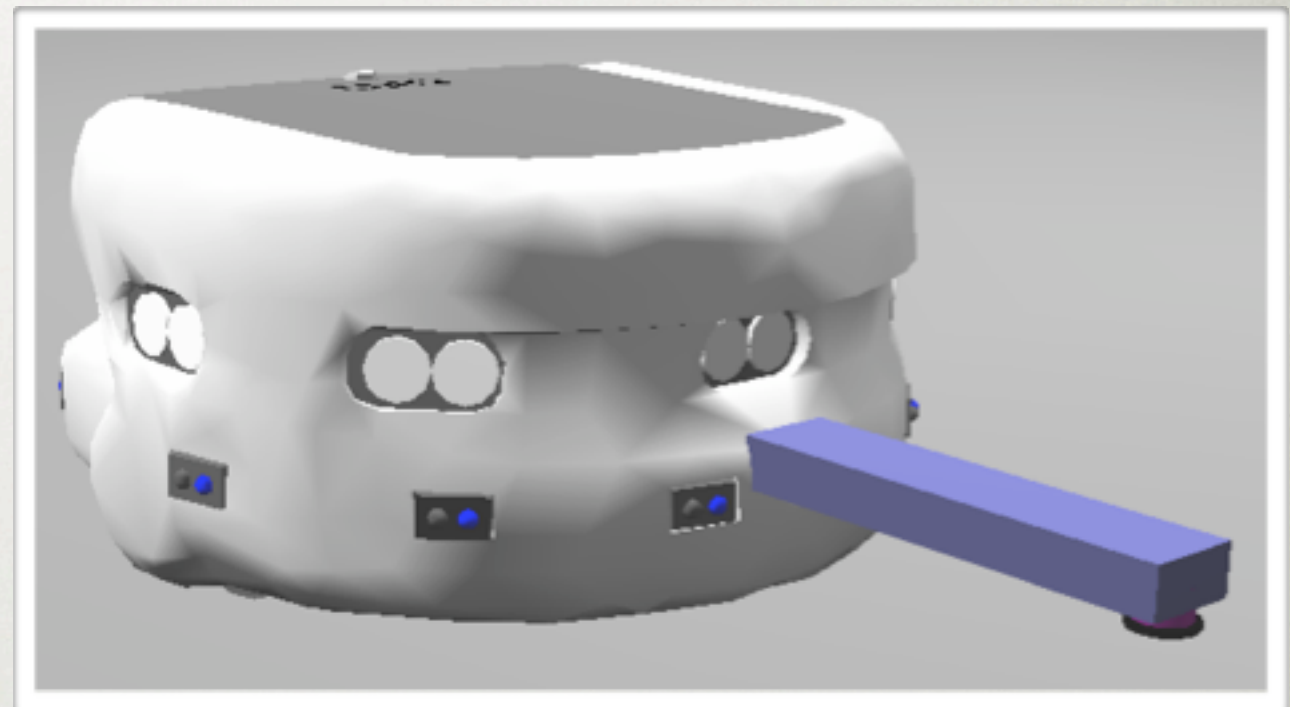
- Let M_i pieces of different types, assembling with bi-directional connections.
- Let those pieces move and assemble randomly in an arena of size A .
- Let the final assembled products be known as S_j .
- Let a system of reactions R describe the plan of assembly of pieces via their connections. These reactions can contain disassembling reactions too.
- Then this system will create a certain amount $|S_j|$ after a time T_f .

► Goal: obtain the bigger $|S_j|$ after the smallest T_f , while controlling the ratios between $|S_j|$.

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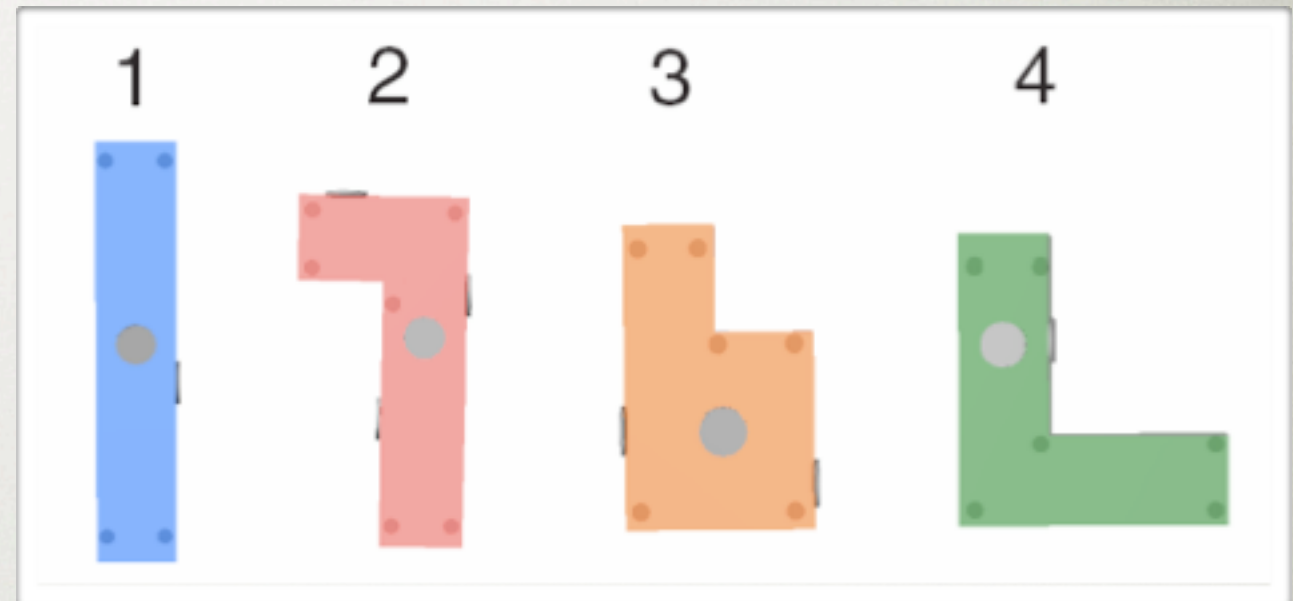
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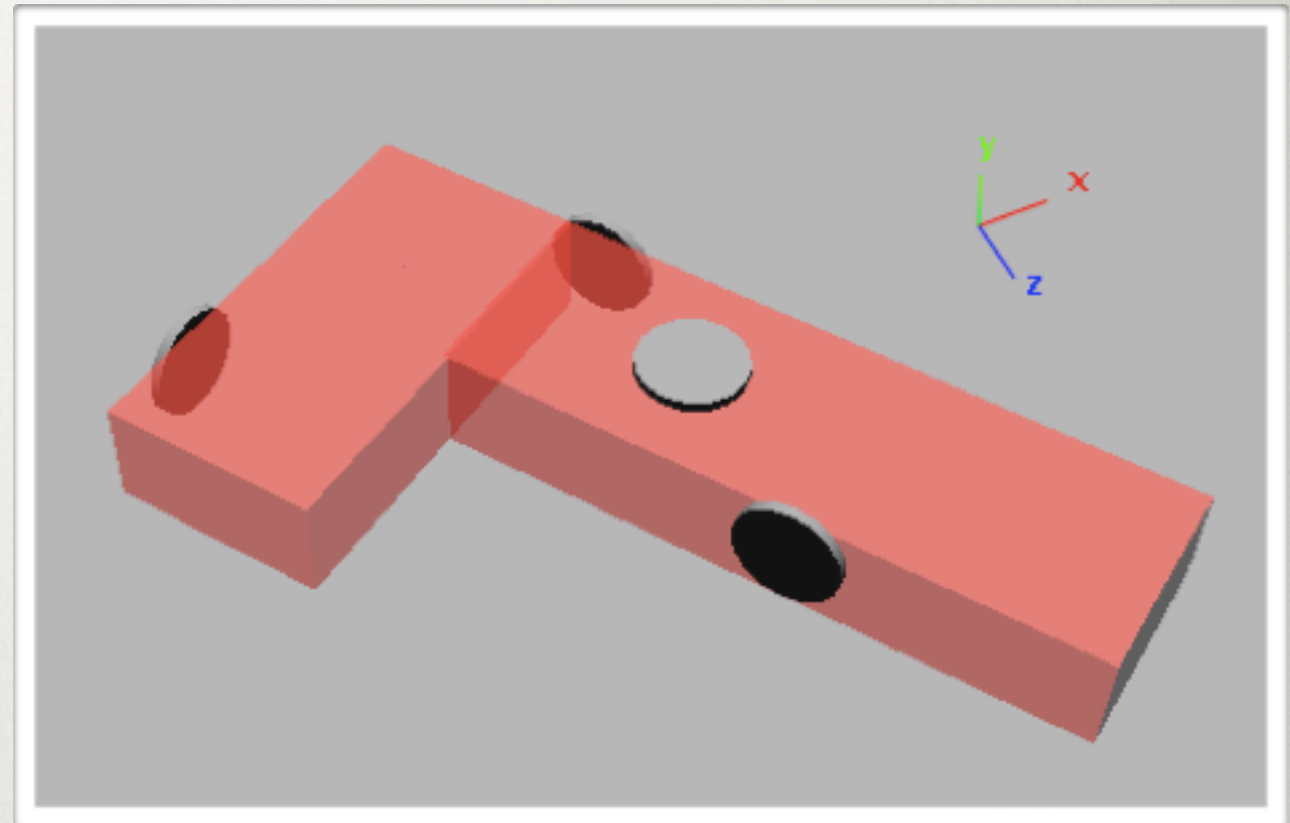
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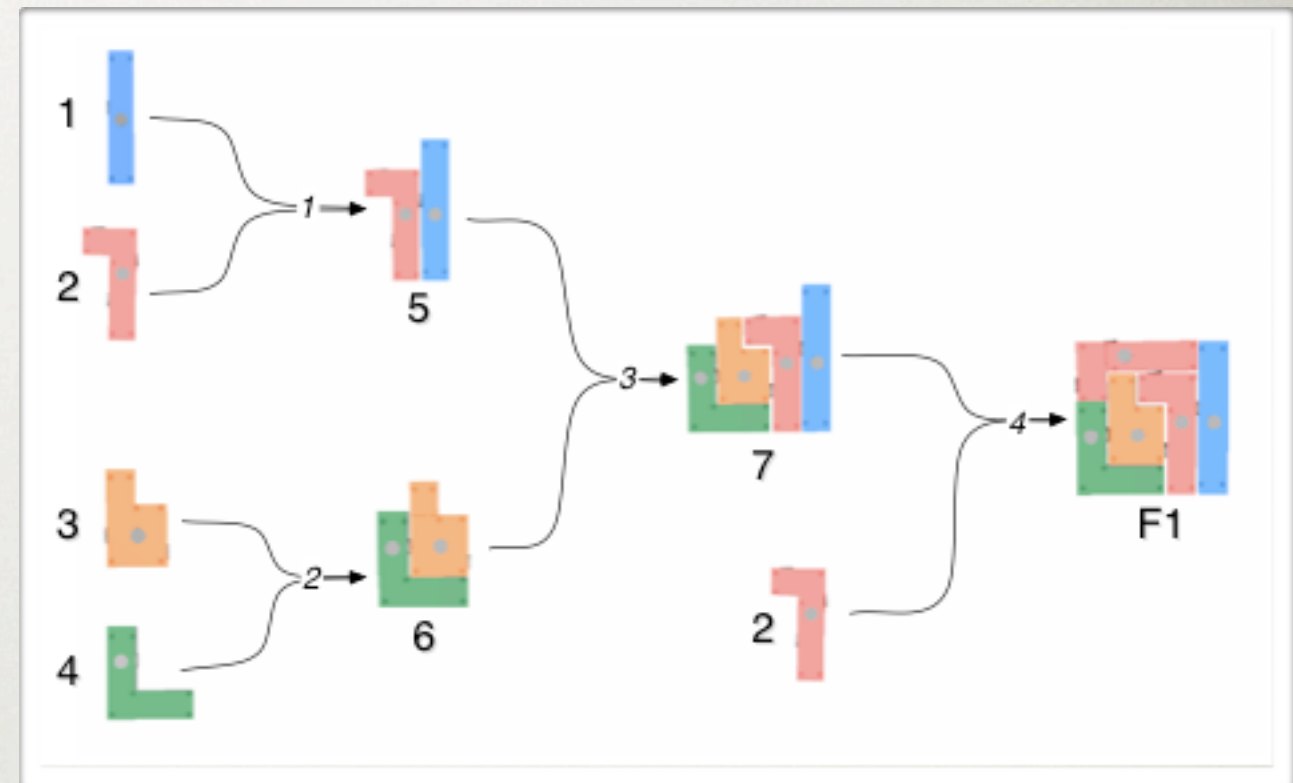
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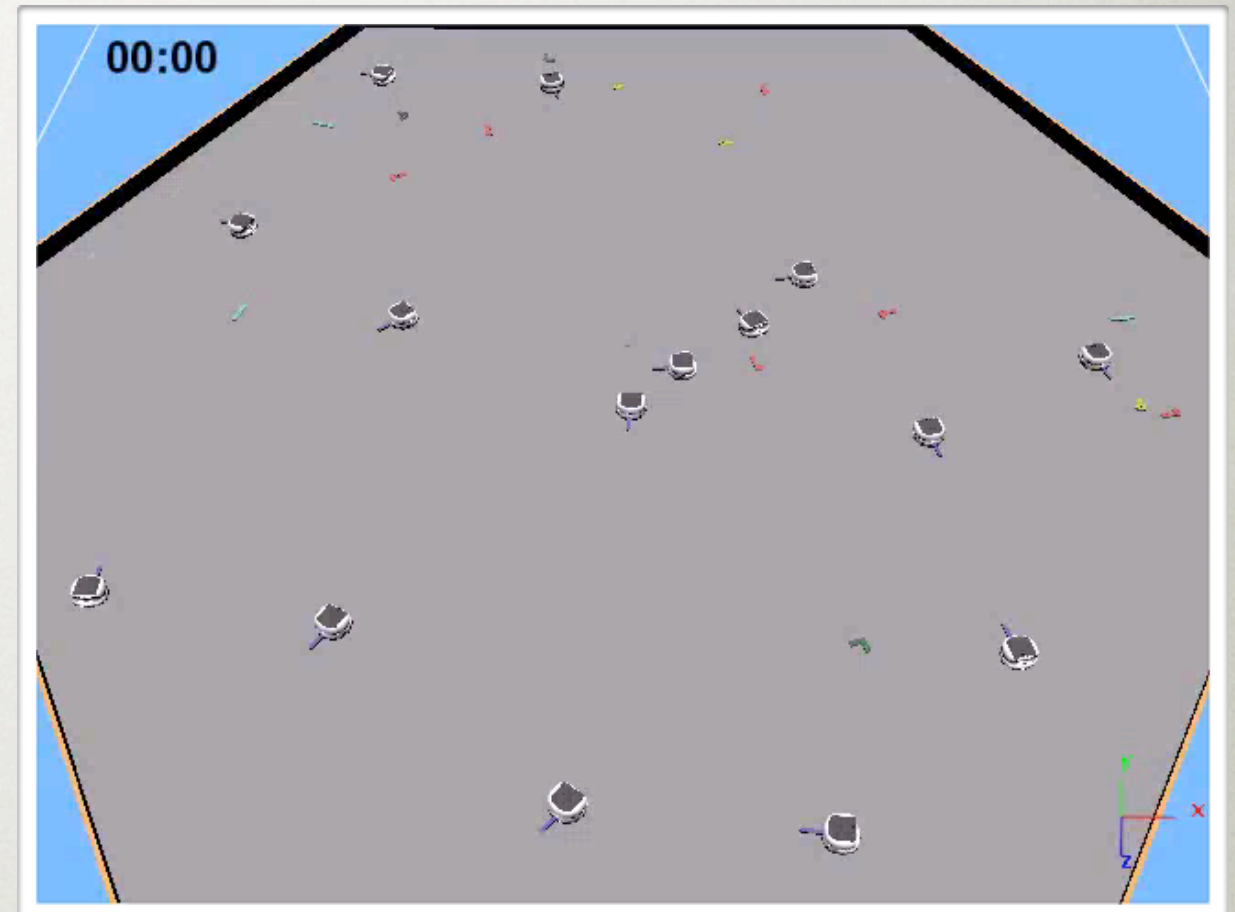
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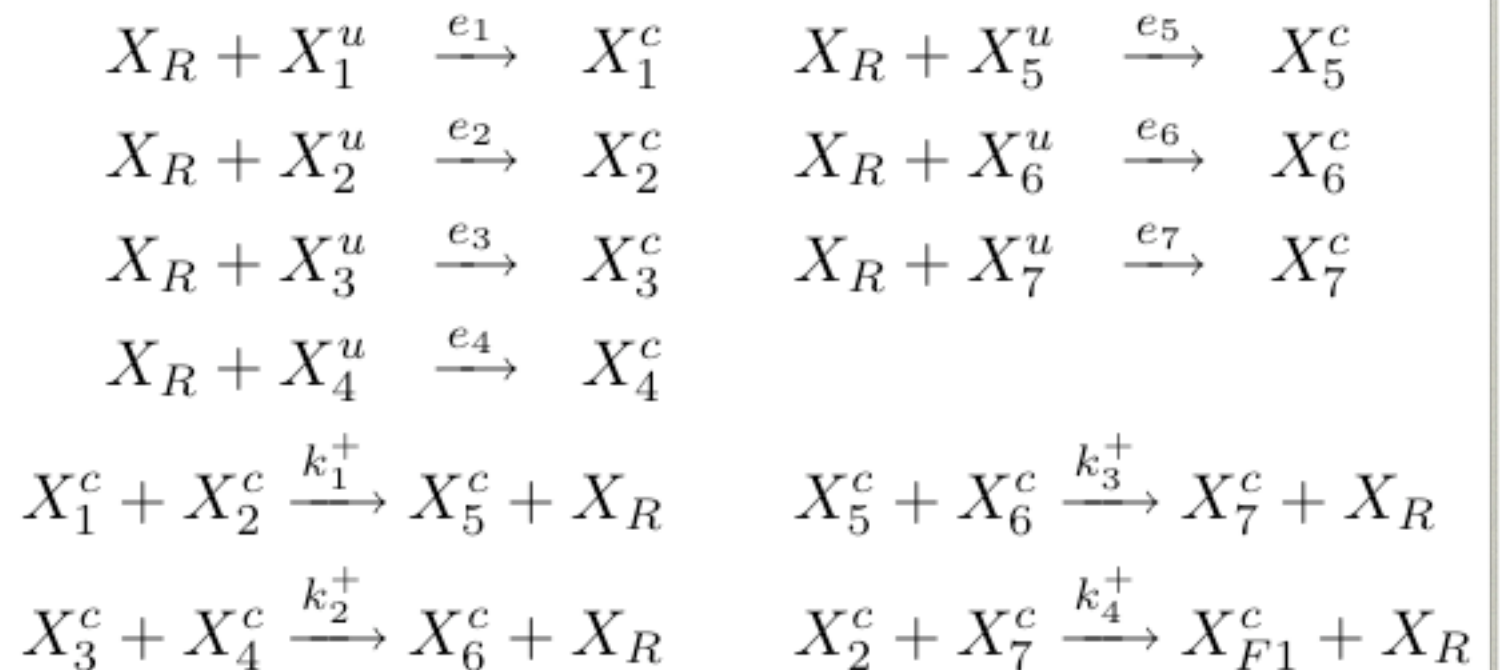
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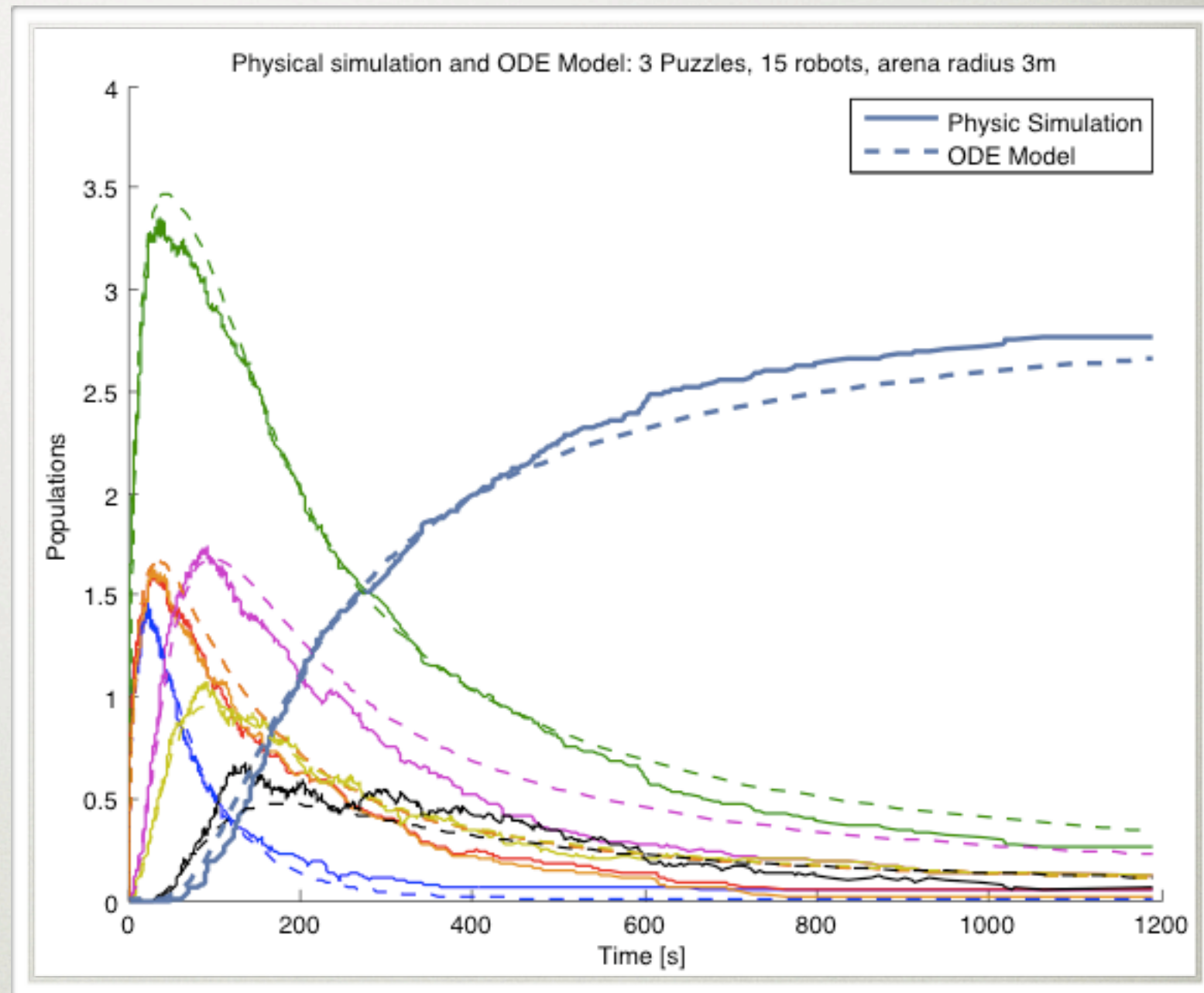
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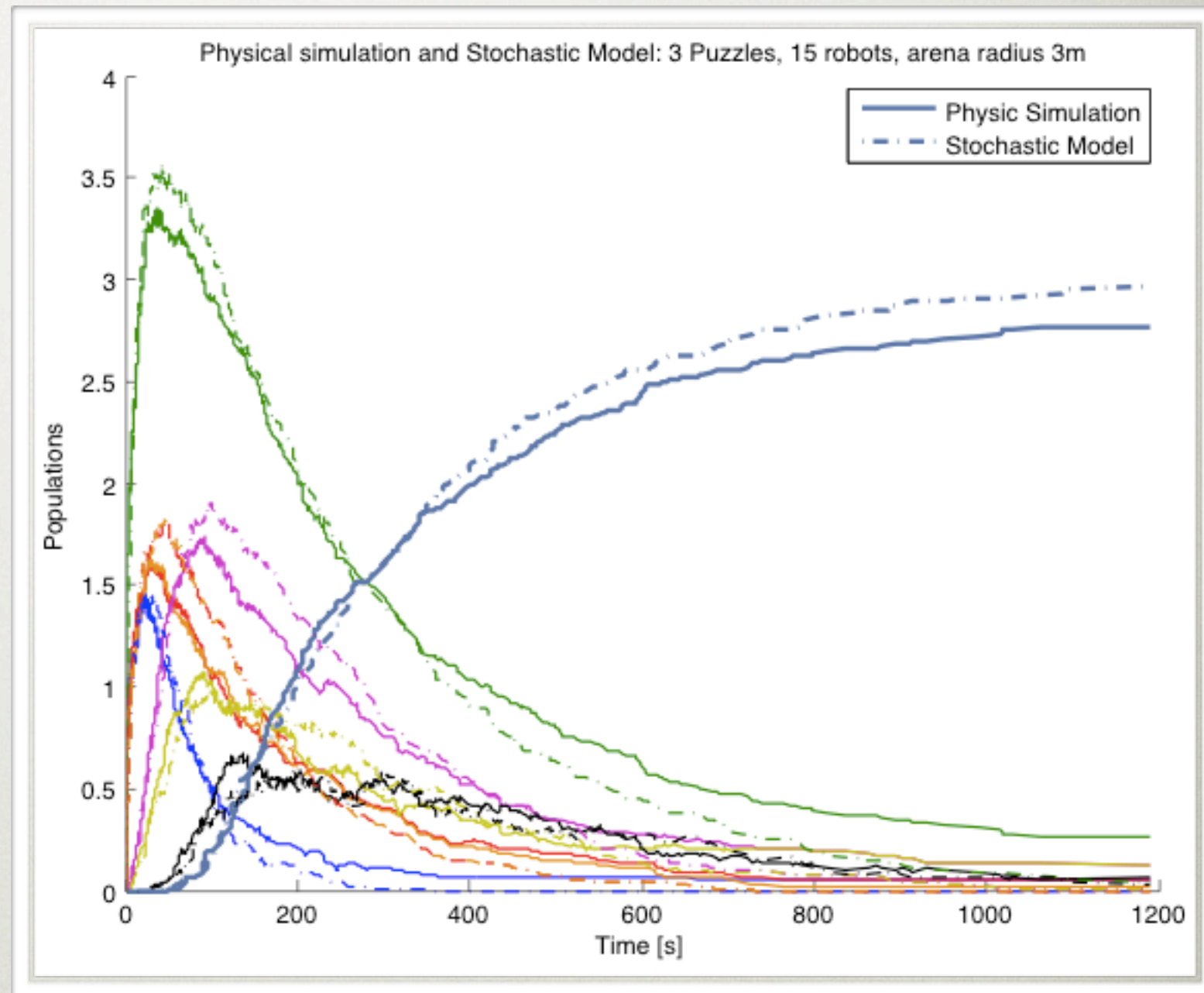
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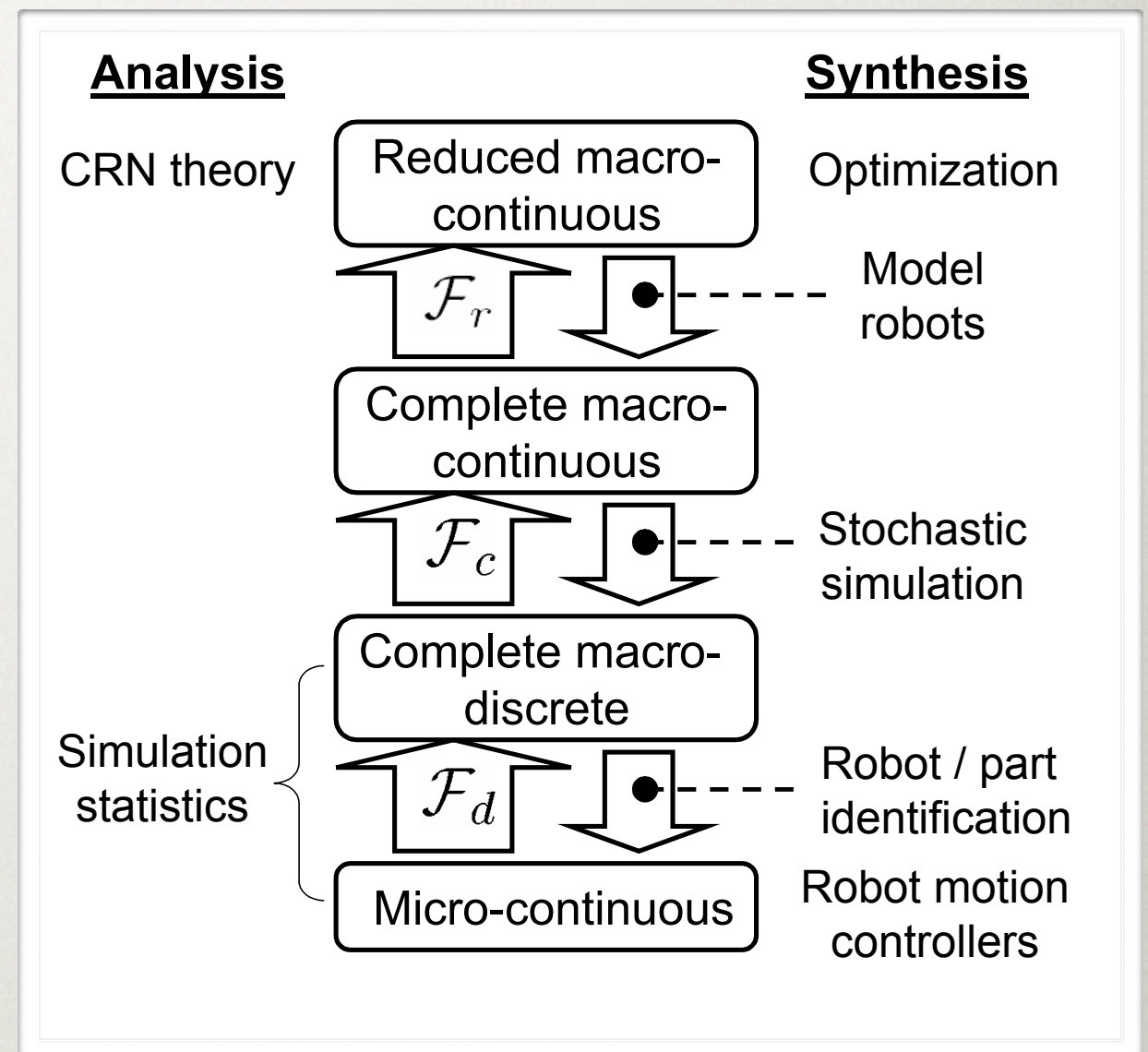
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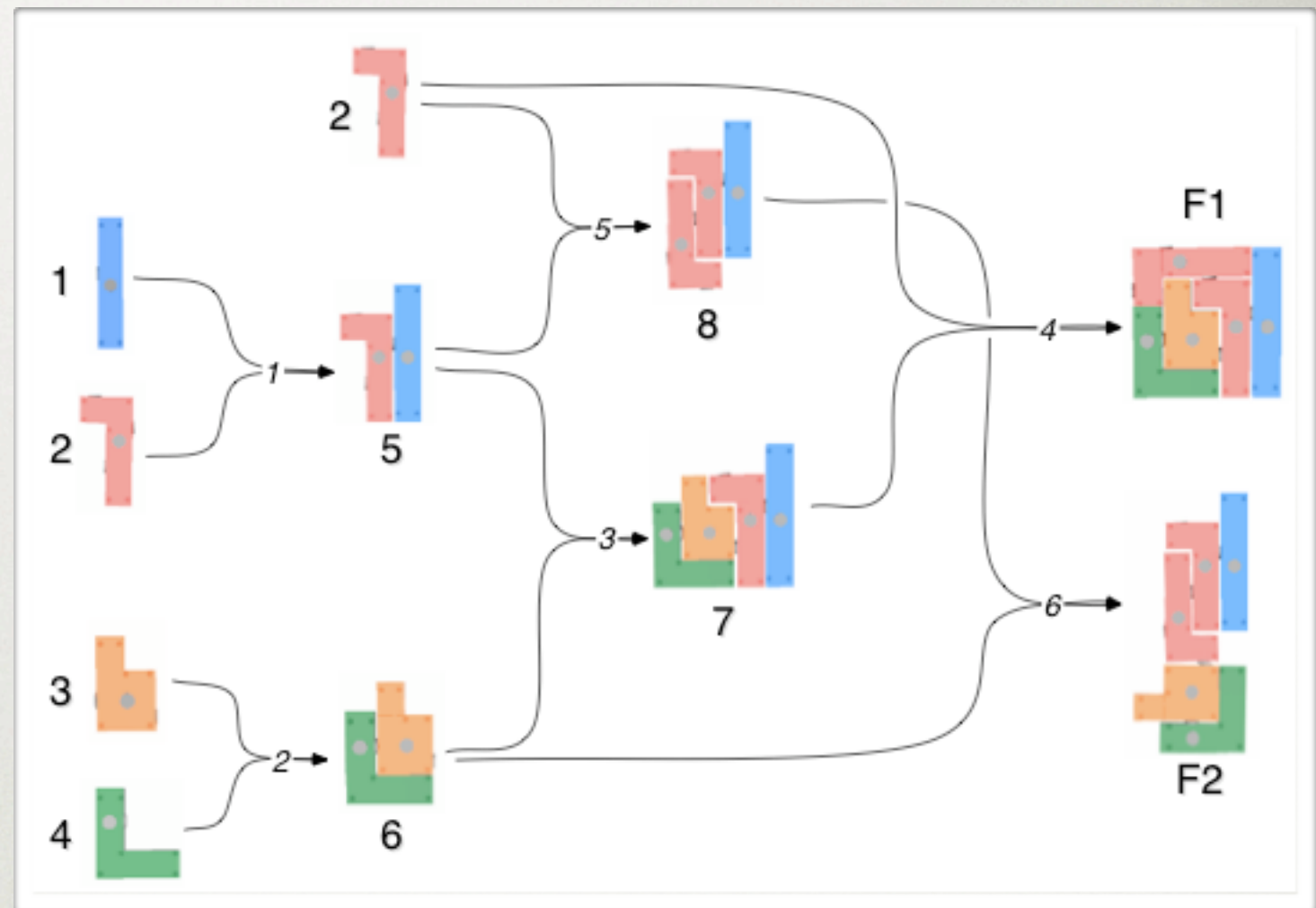
What now?

- Optimize the system.
 - What framework?
 - Nonlinear multi-affine system.
- Map back this optimization on the realistic platform.
 - Model “back-fitting”.
 - Discrepancies.
- Other applications.



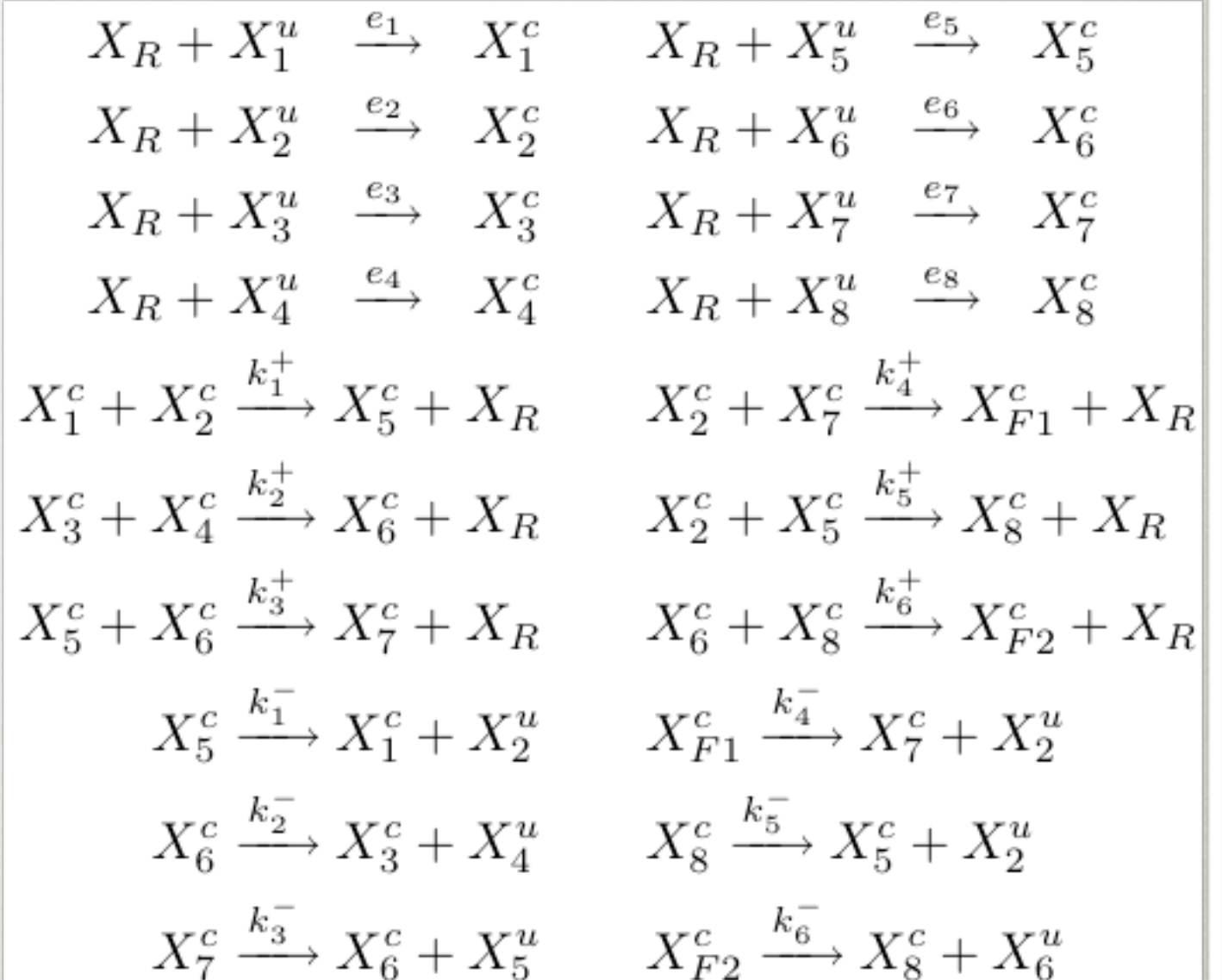
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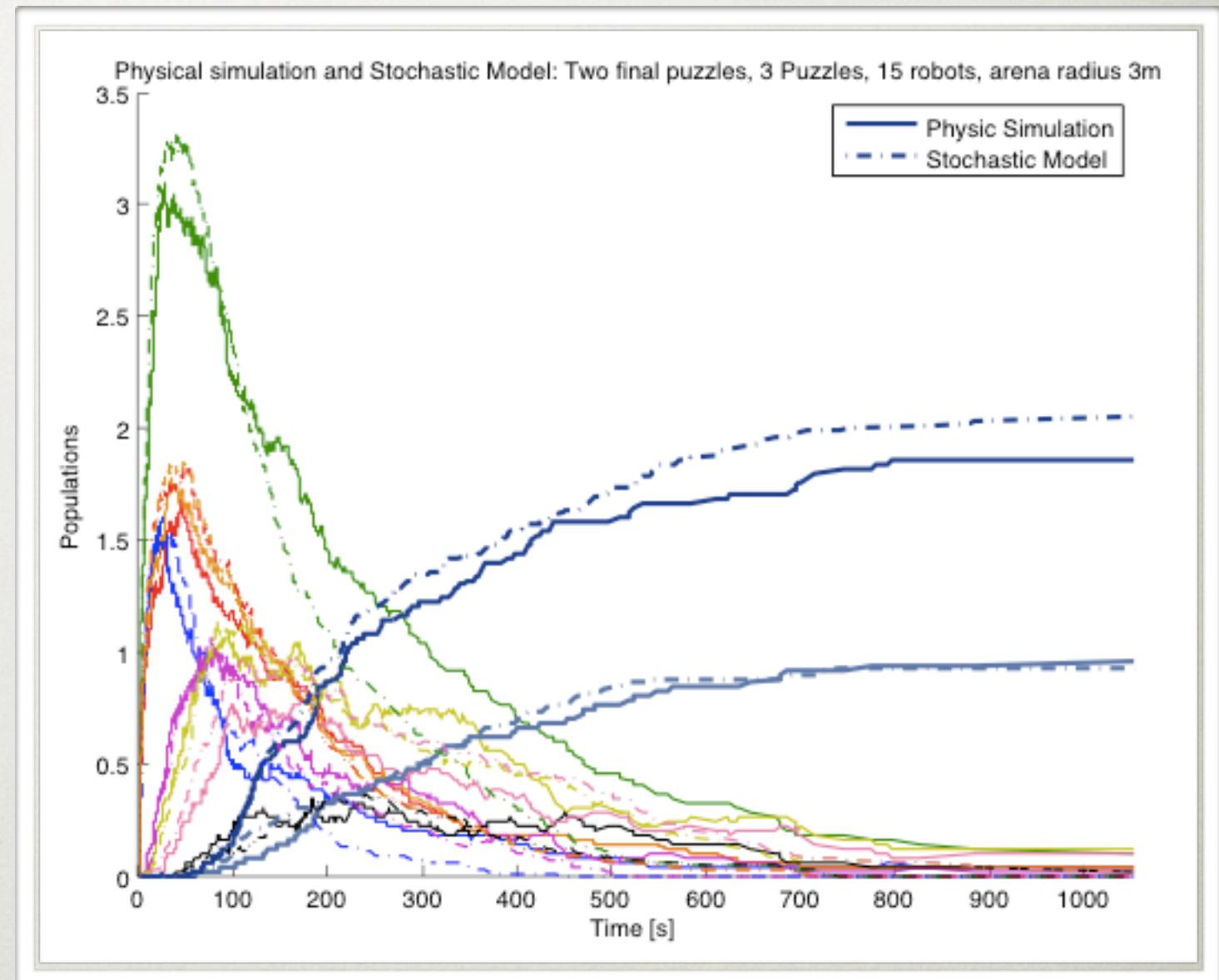
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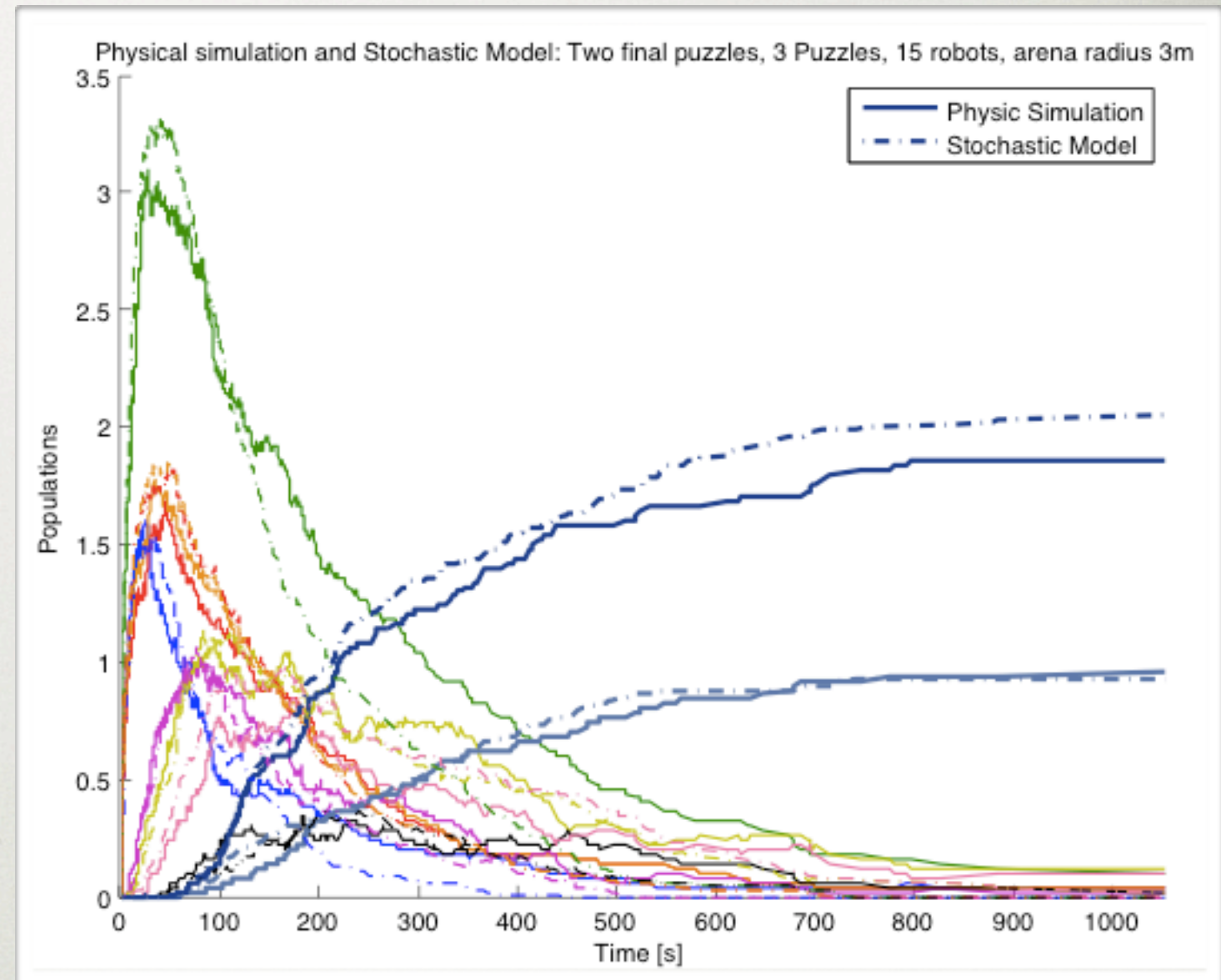
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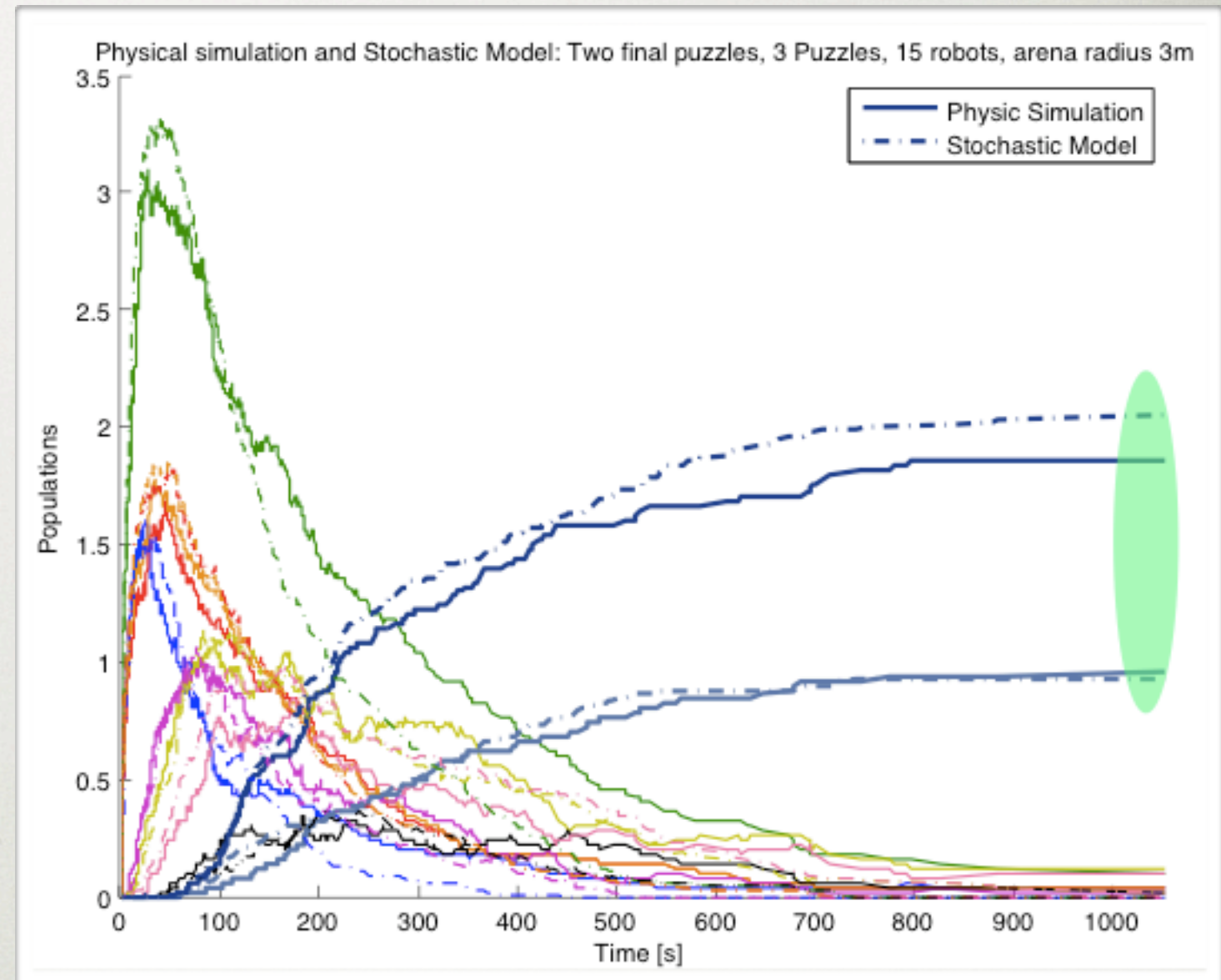
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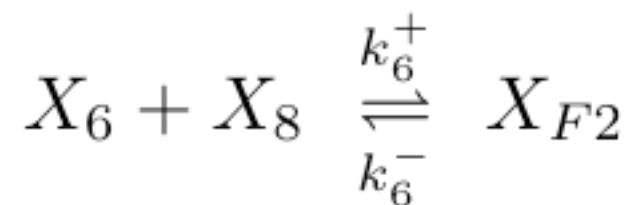
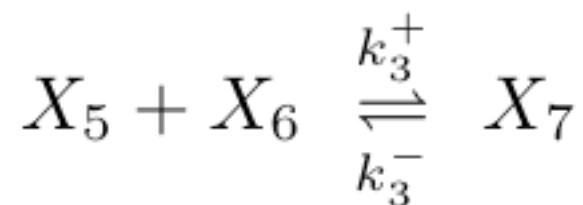
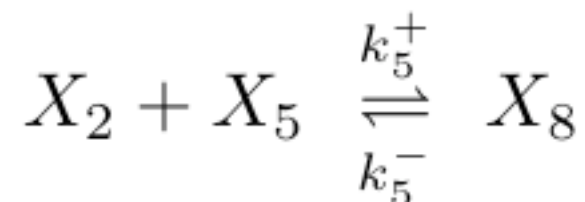
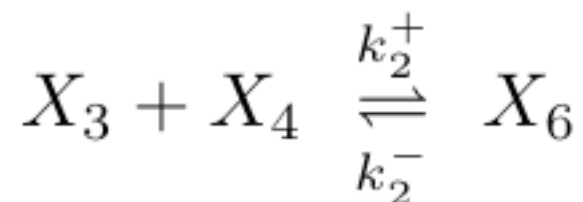
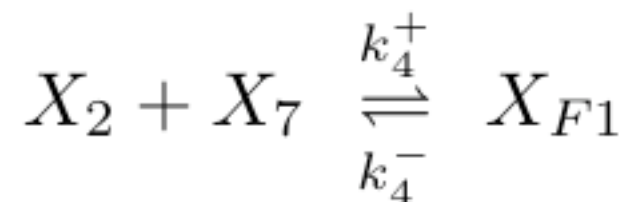
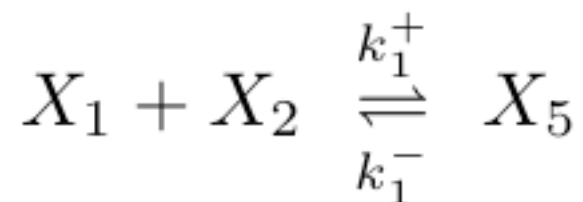
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Convergence

- Theorem 1: System has an unique equilibrium $\bar{x} > 0$.
- *Proof: uses Deficiency Zero theorem, Feinberg:*
 - *deficiency of network $\delta = 0$. (complexes - linkage classes - rank).*
 - *weakly reversible.*
- *Then: System has one asymptotically stable equilibrium*
- *Extension to globally asymptotically stable equilibrium, Siegel:*
 - *no boundary equilibria.*
- Our system has only one equilibrium, globally asymptotically stable, independent of initial state.

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Method

- System has only one equilibrium: we can design K such that it converge to our goal!
- Optimize K under constraints for the equilibrium y^d :

$$\mathbf{M}\mathbf{K}y^d = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\alpha = \frac{x_{F1}}{x_{F1} + x_{F2}}$$

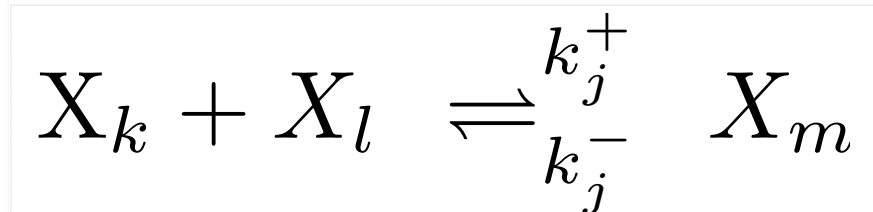
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Method

- Optimize measure of relaxation time for each reaction.
- Exact formula only for simple cases...
- Reformulate as a linearization around the equilibrium point for independent reactions.



- Use an estimate of the time to go back to equilibrium when disturbed (Heinrich).

$$\tau_j = (k_j^+ (x_k^d + x_l^d) + k_j^-)^{-1}$$

6. CRN CONTROL

Method

- Two objective functions.

$$f_{ave}(\mathbf{k}) = \frac{1}{6} \sum_{j=1}^6 \tau_j^{-1}$$

$$f_{min}(\mathbf{k}) = \min\{\tau_1^{-1}, \dots, \tau_{10}^{-1}\}$$

- Two linear programs.

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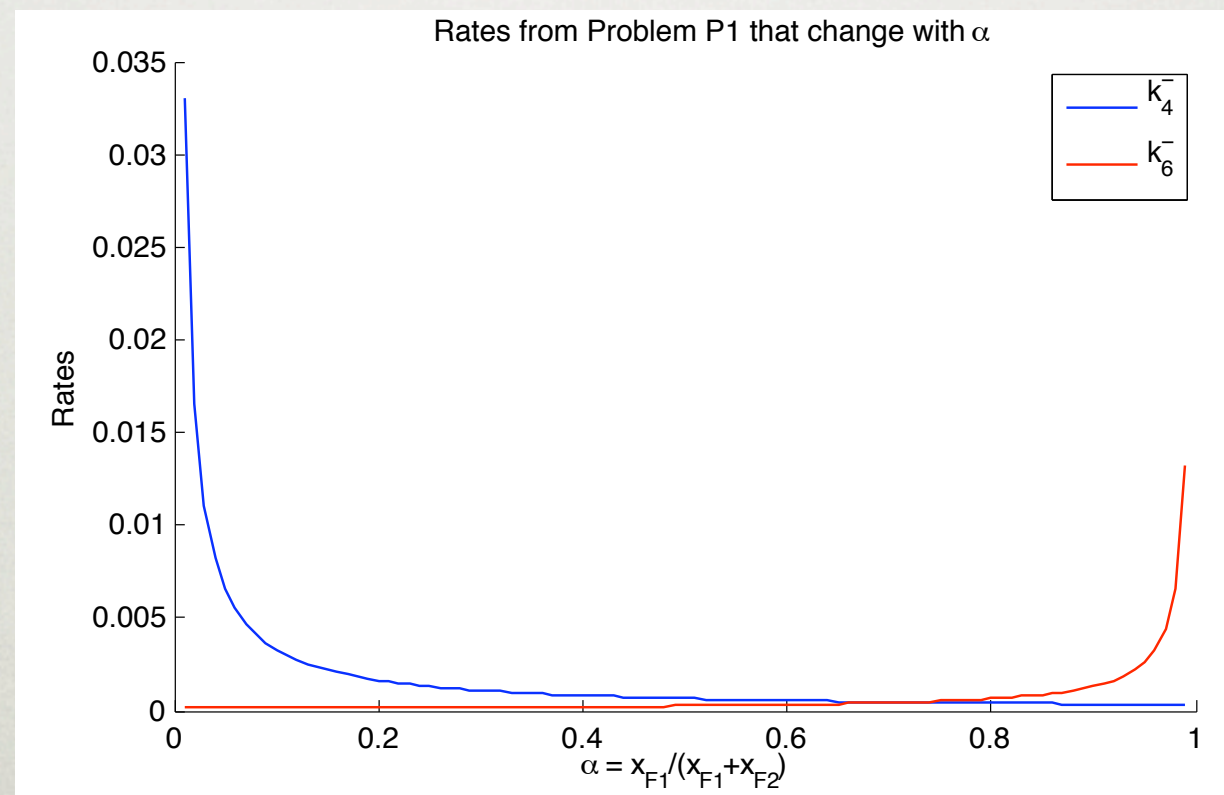
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Results P1

- \mathbf{x}^d with conservation laws and $\alpha \in \{0.01, 0.02, 0.03, \dots, 0.99\}$
- Forward maximum. Only final reactions change.

Reaction j	1	2	3	4	5	6
Optimized p_j^+	1.0					
Optimized p_j^-	0.01885	0.00754	0.00377	<i>continuous</i>	0.00942	<i>continuous</i>

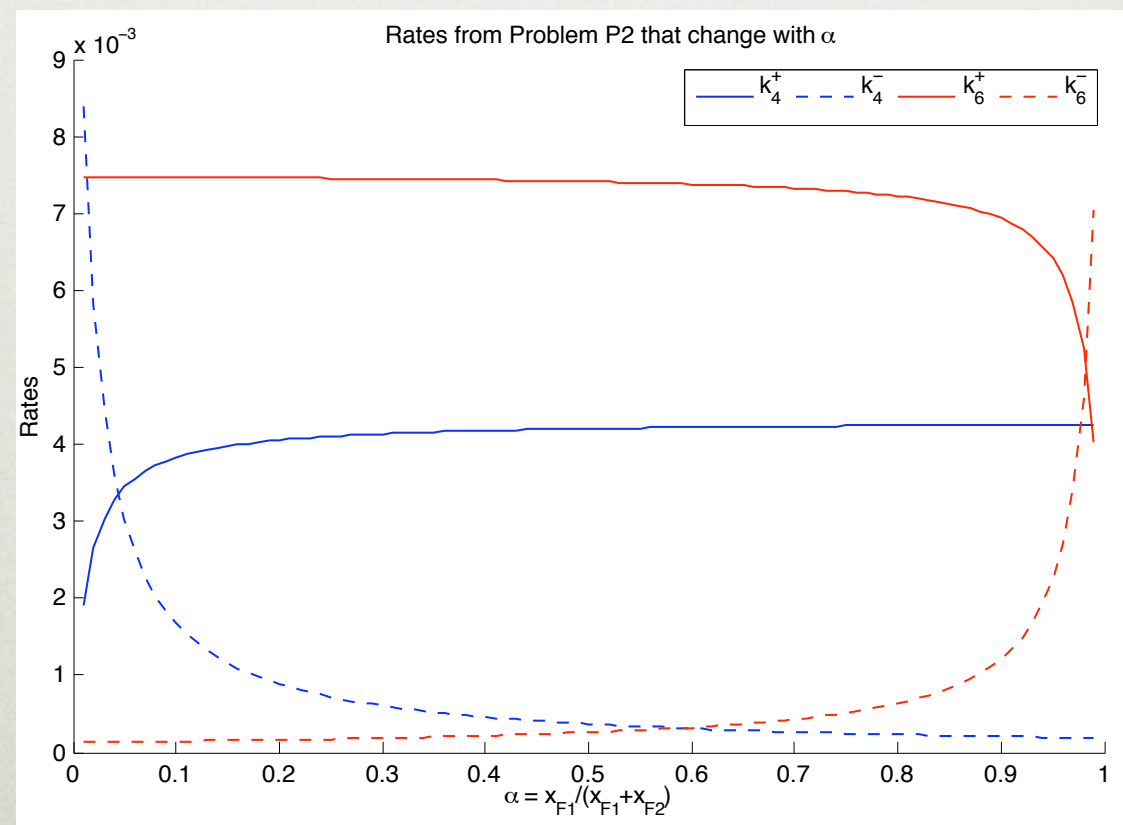


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Results P2

- \mathbf{x}^d with conservation laws and $\alpha \in \{0.01, 0.02, 0.03, \dots, 0.99\}$
- Similar to P1. Final reactions cutting.

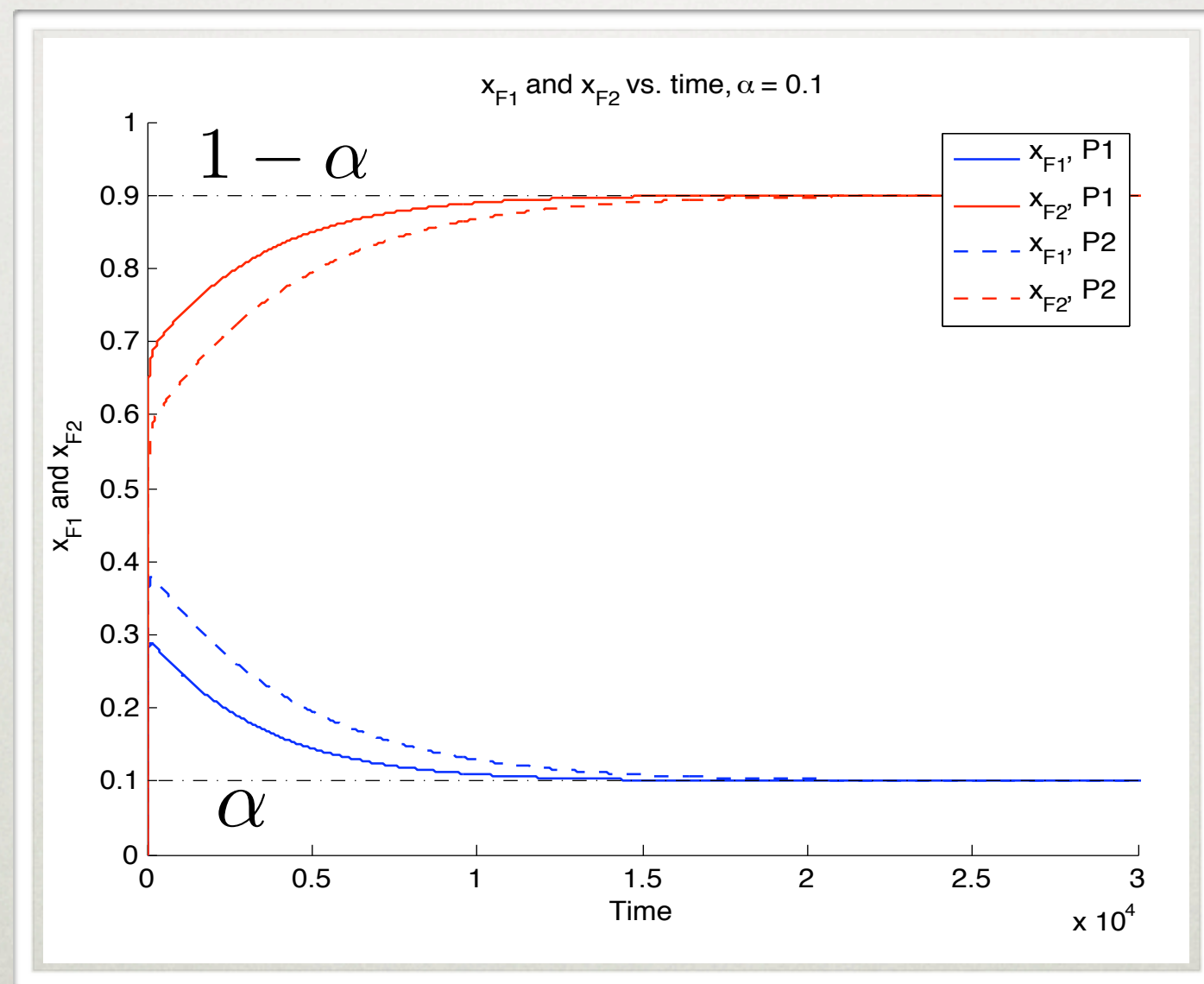
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Optimized p_j^+	0.36	0.666	1.0	<i>continuous</i>	0.4705	<i>continuous</i>
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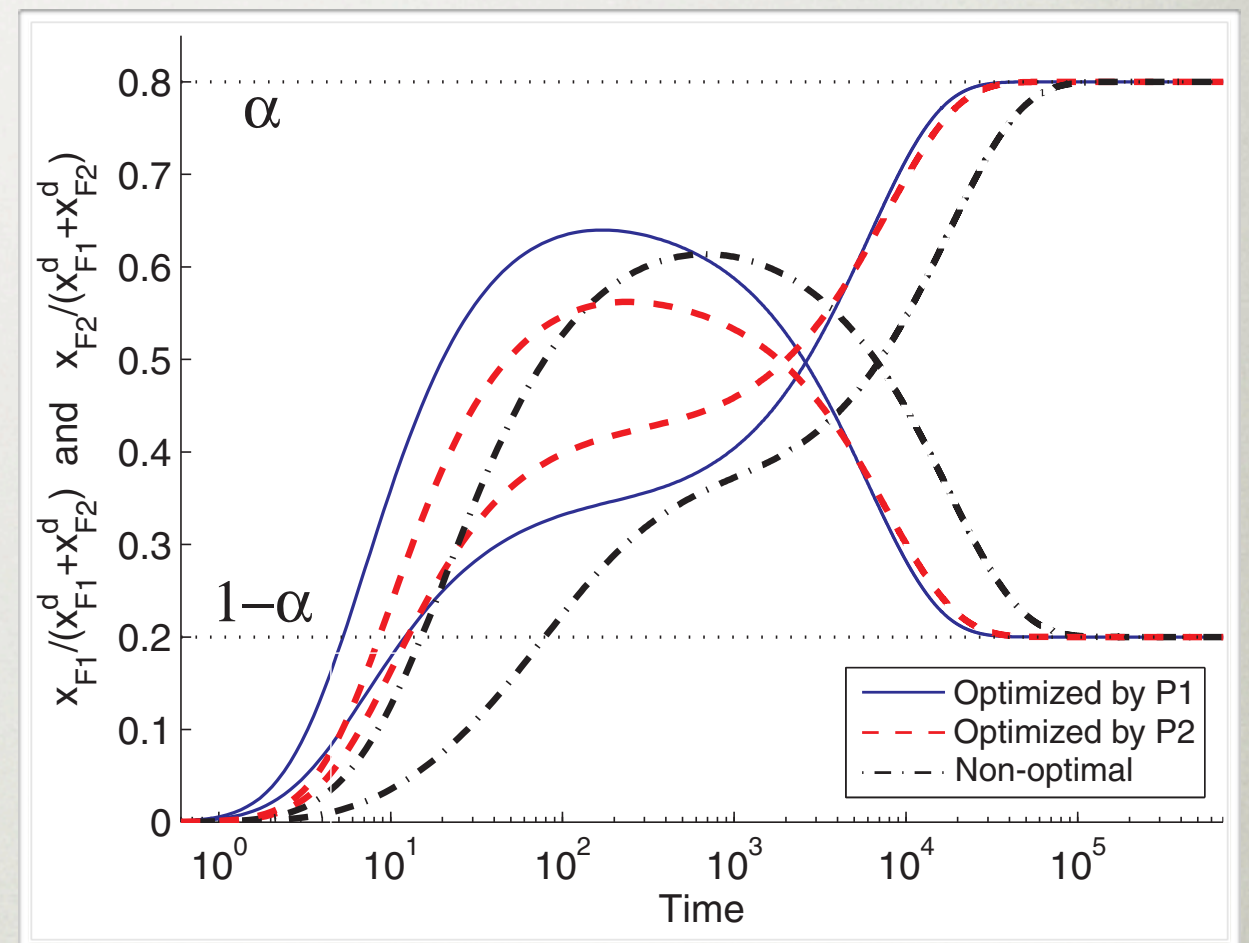
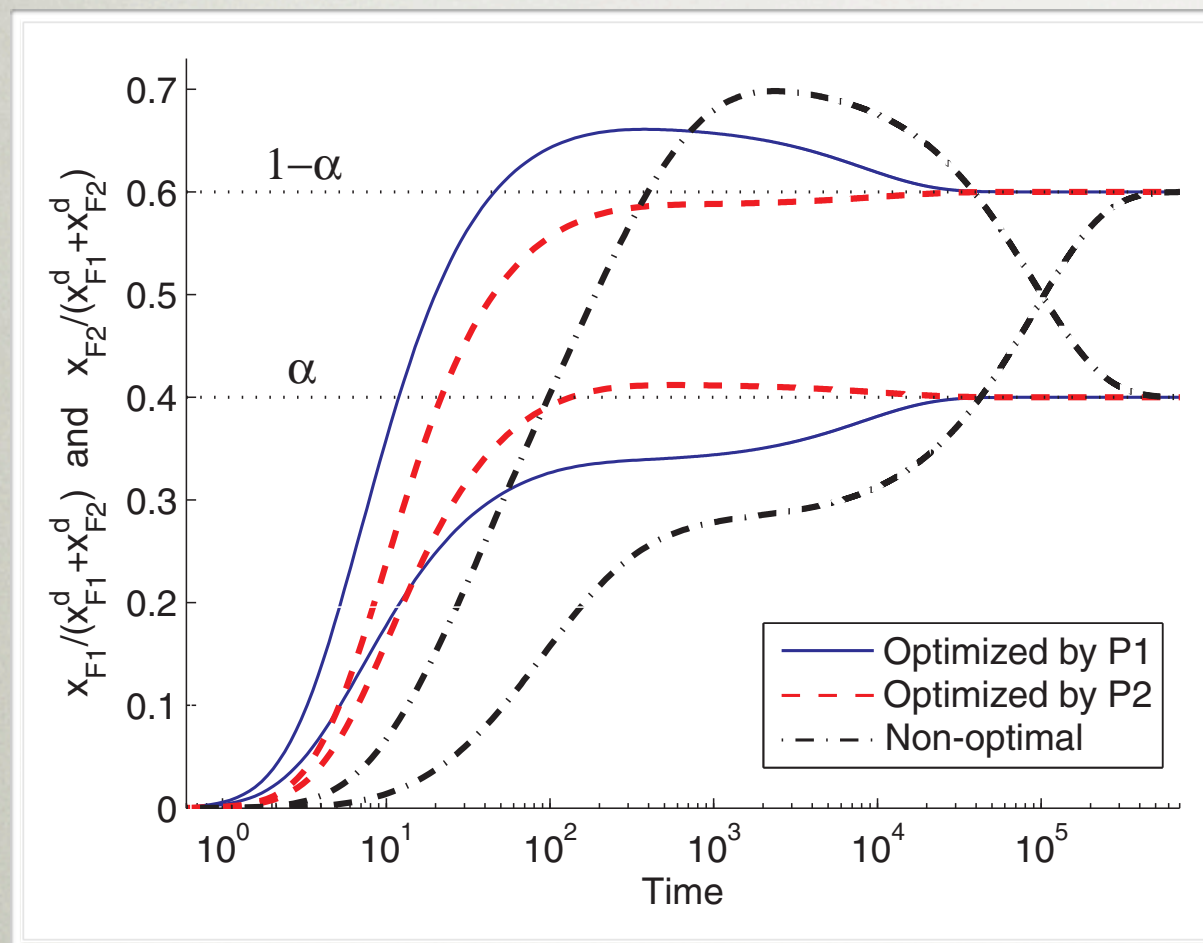
- Ratios of final assemblies over time.
- Linear time scale.



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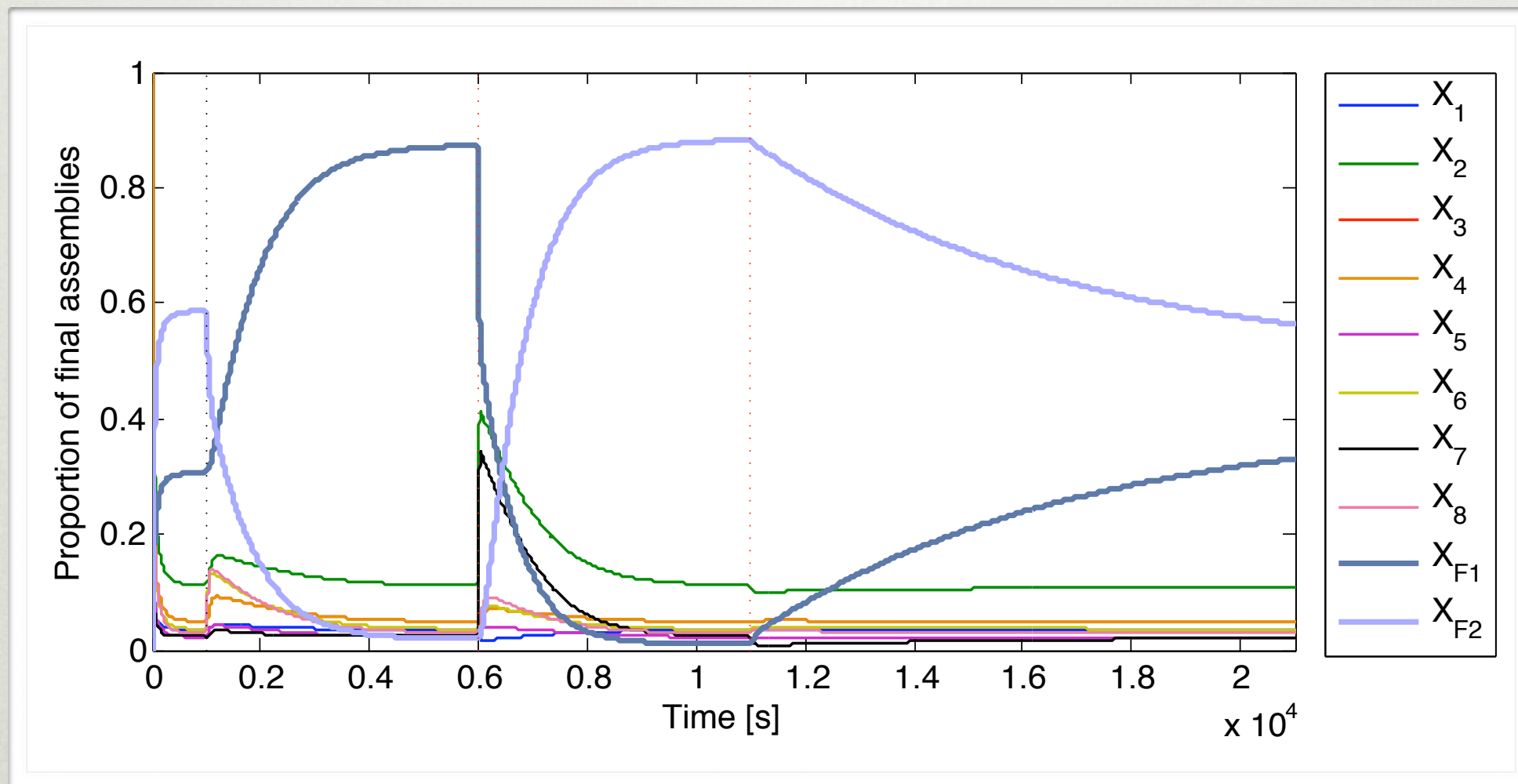
- Time log-scale.
- Comparison with non-optimal set of rates.



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Possibilities

- Change of goal over time, abrupt change of rates.



- “Green manufactory”

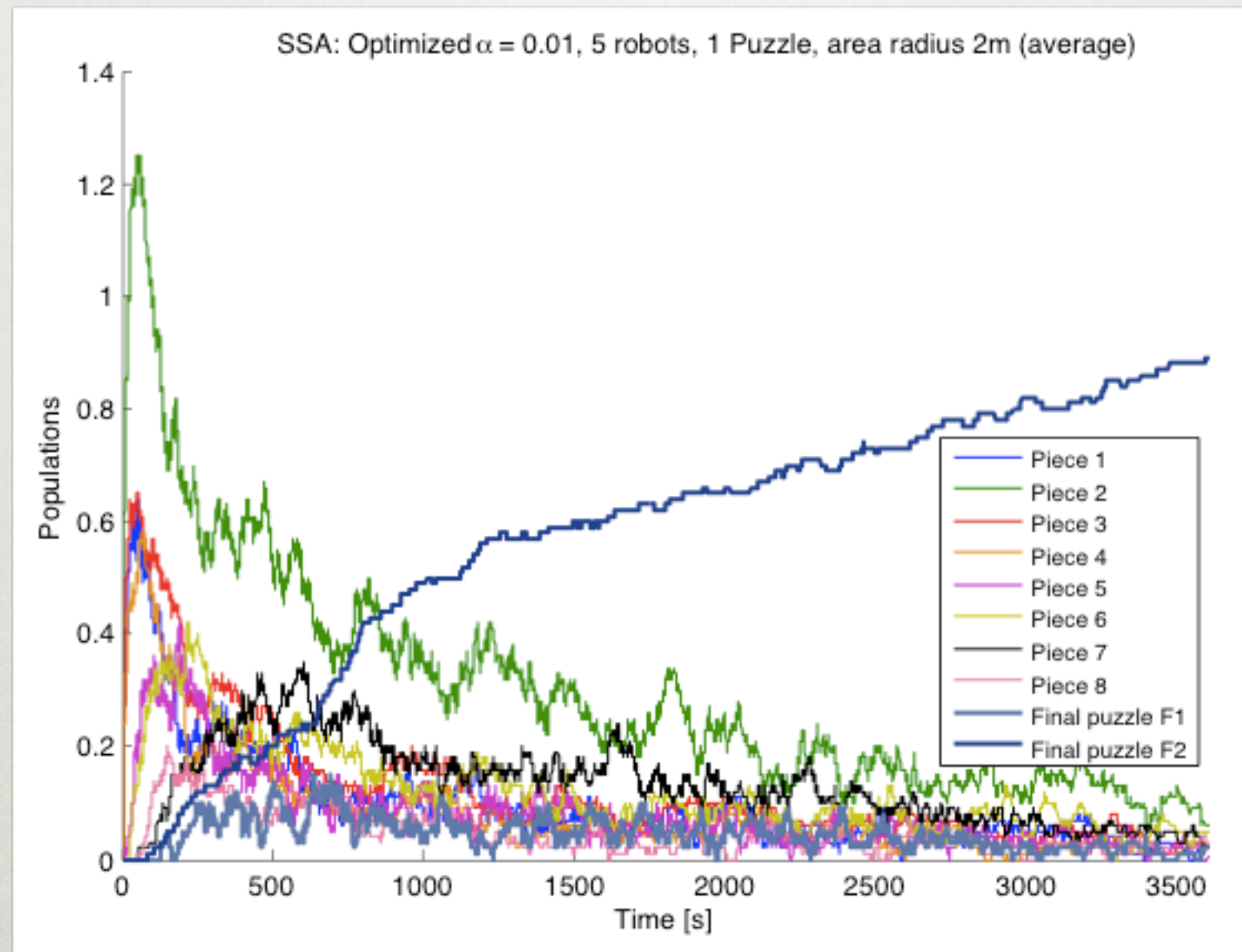
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- Easy for us:
 - Forward rate: probability to start an assembly.
 - Backward rate: probability to disassemble the current piece.
- But our model was more complicated, with robots. Still working?
 - Optimization on reduced model, maybe does not adapt to the complete model and the realistic platform.

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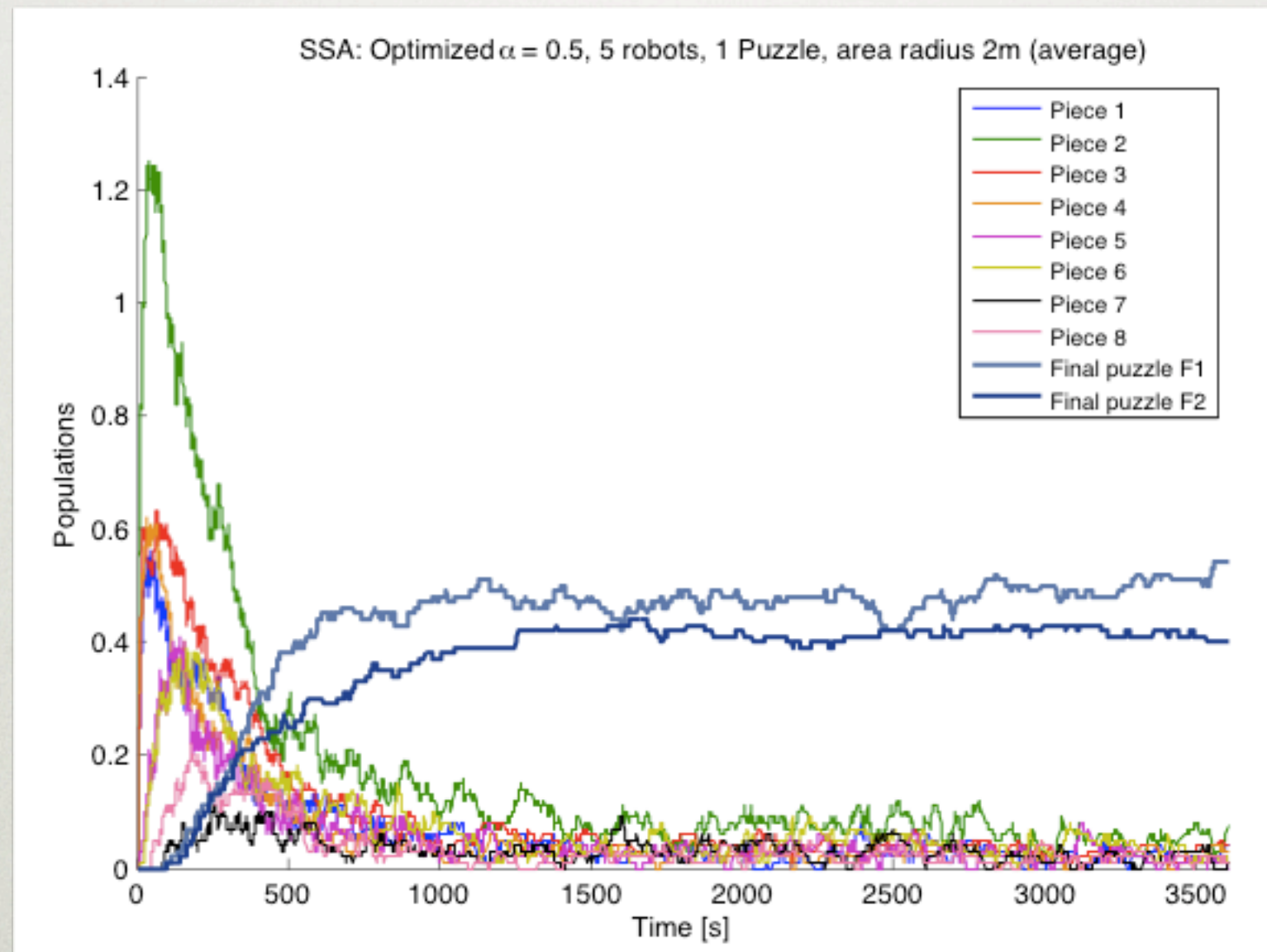
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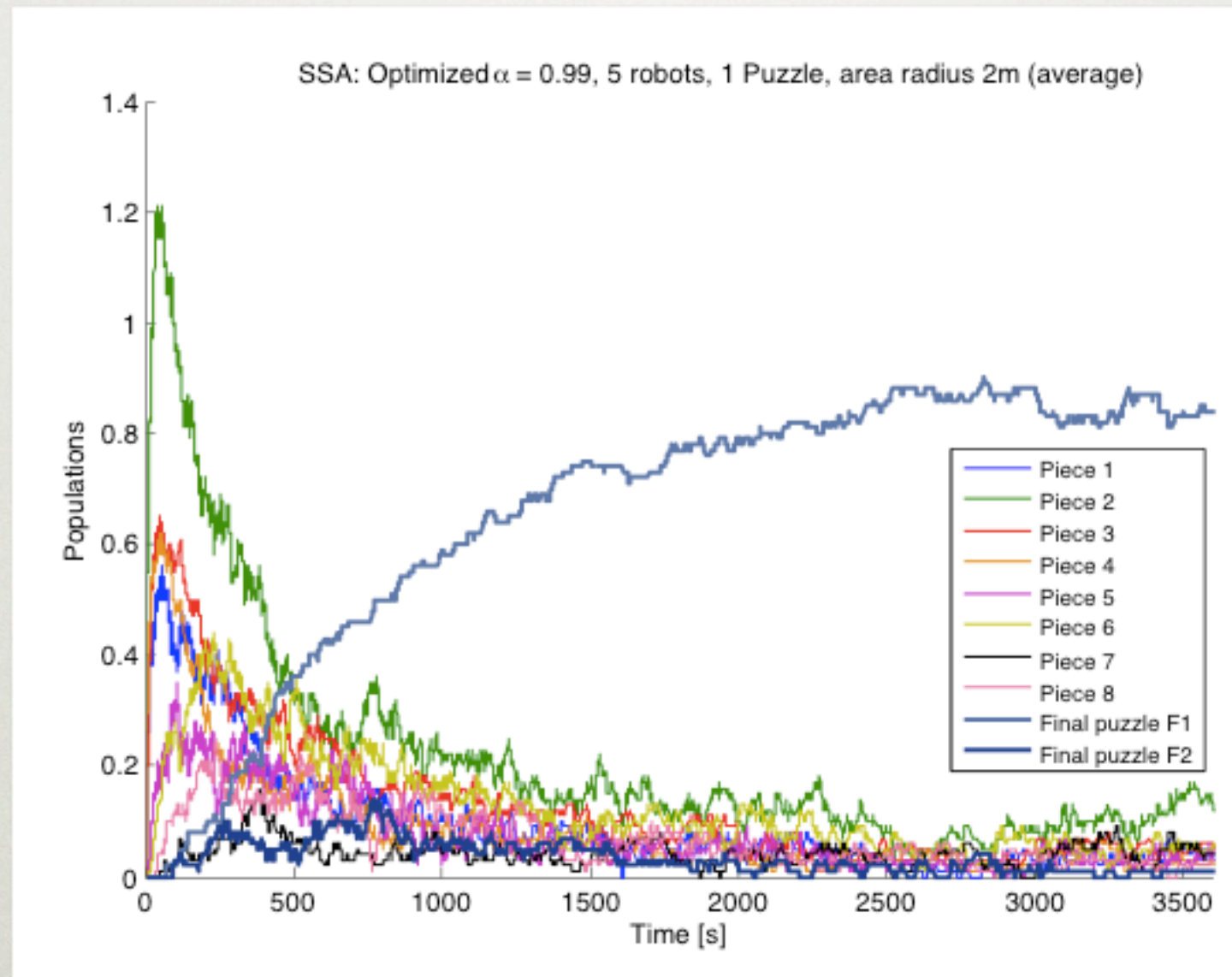
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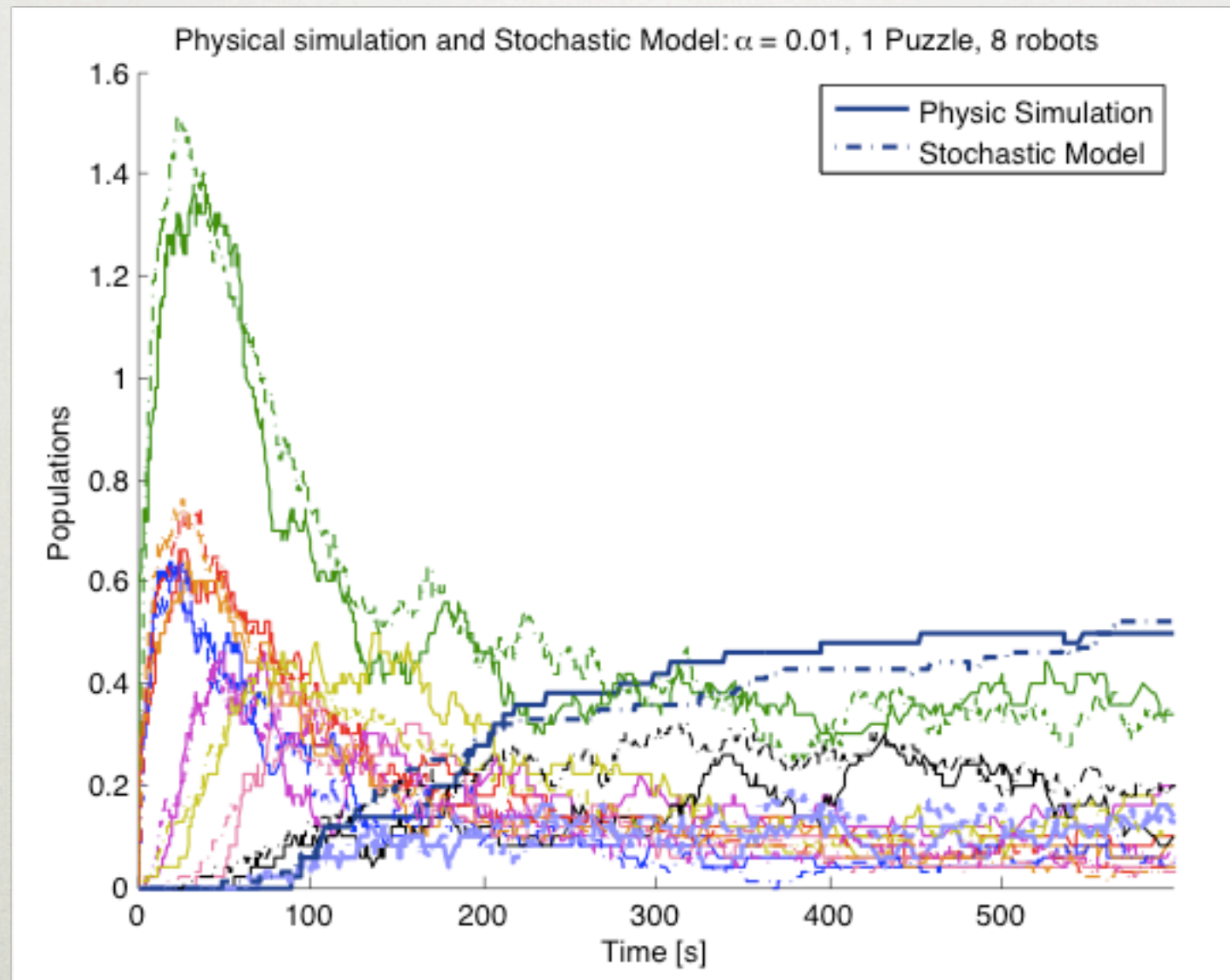
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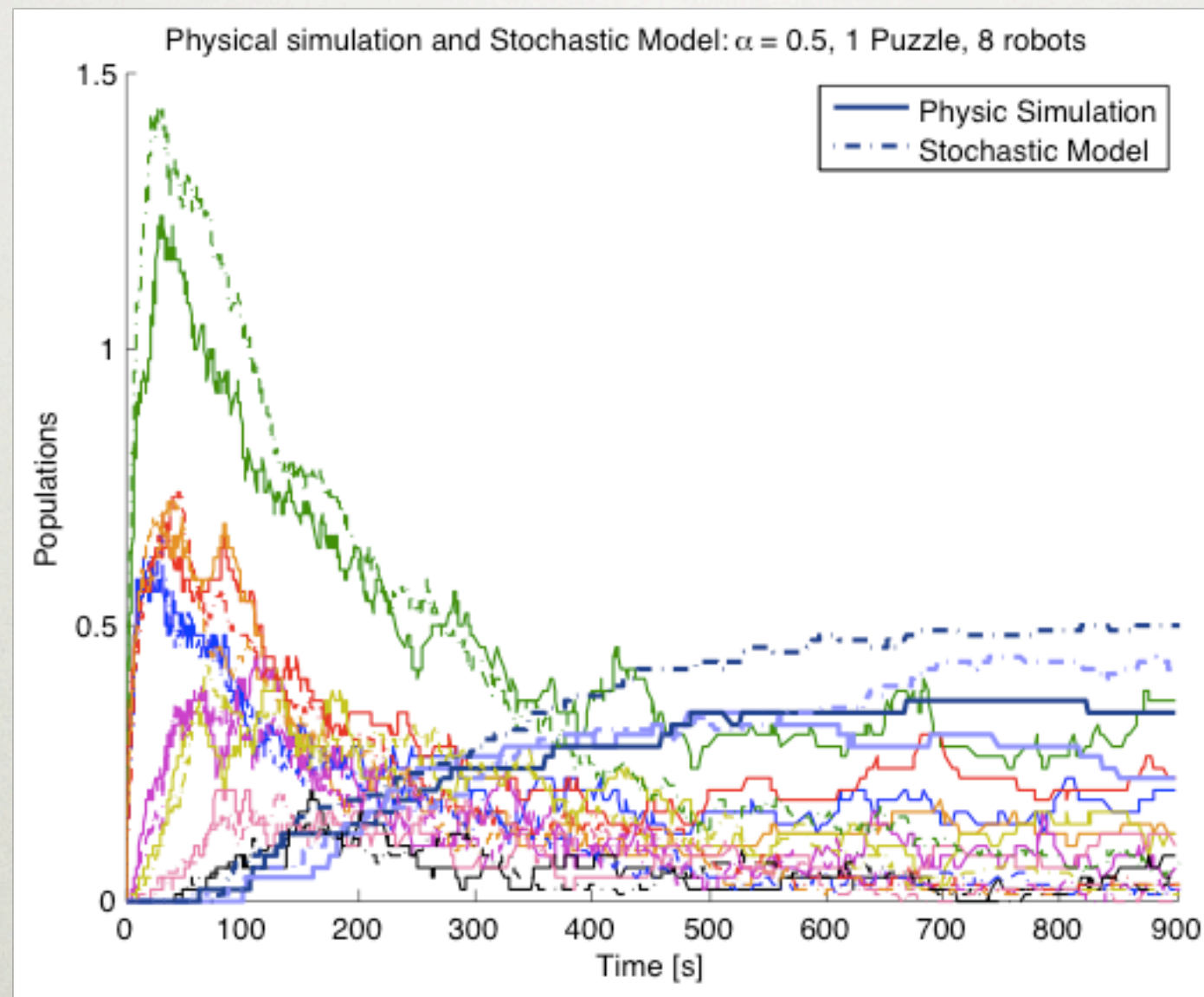
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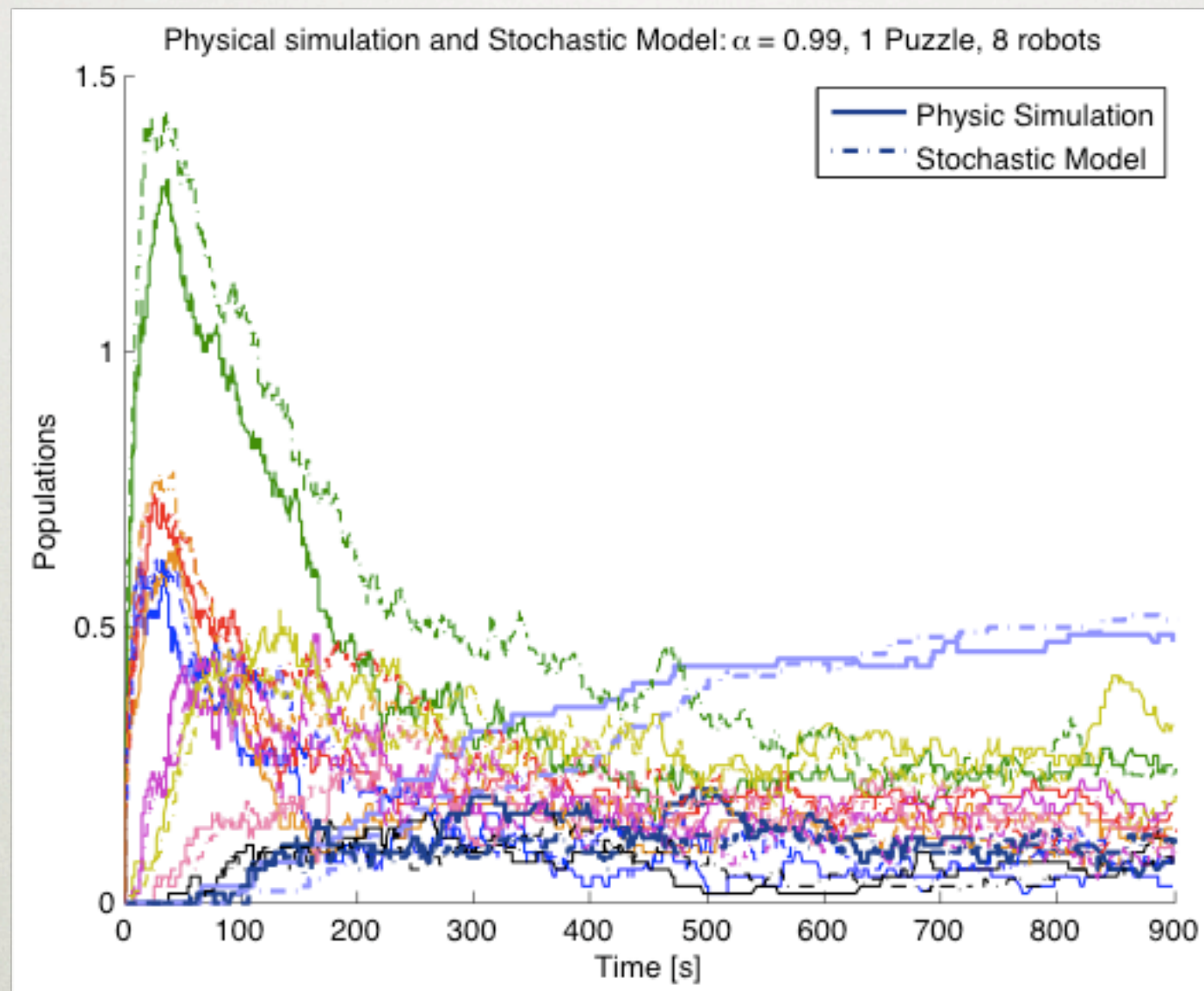
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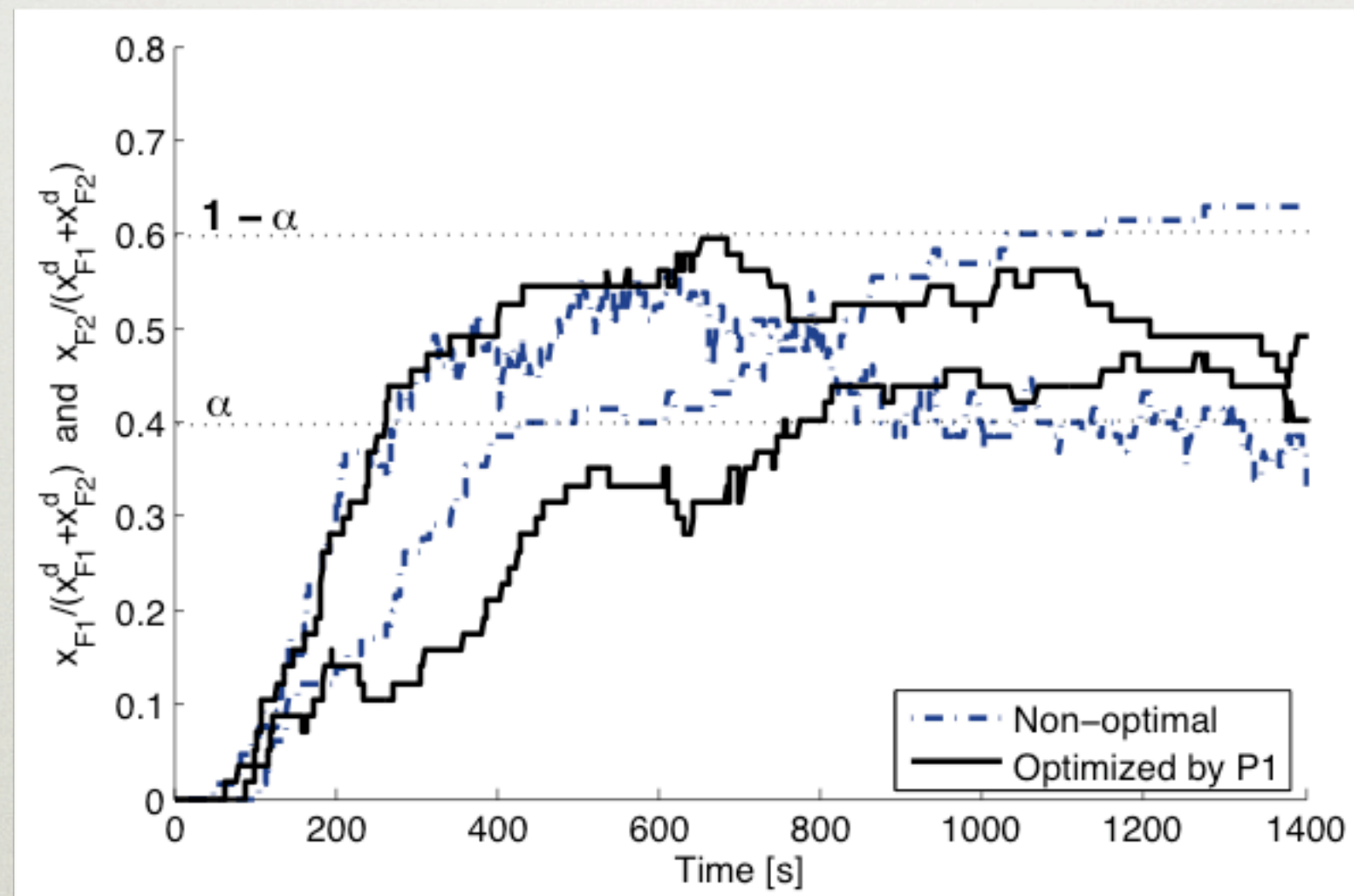
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Problems

- Several problems arise:
 - Time to carry a piece is too big. Workaround by adding robots.
 - Well-mixed property is violated after disassembly. Pieces lie around.
- Rates are not precise anymore, iterative process needed.
- Sub-optimal results, due to simulations errors (one piece stuck = one full assembly impossible).

8. CONCLUSION

- Successfully developed a Top-down control design using a different language.
- Realistic simulations in Webots.
- Close fitting of the model to the experimental data. Good for predictions.
- Promising first control results. Possibility to design the system for high-level goals.

9. FURTHER WORK

- Extend the framework to bigger assembly plans.
 - Possibility to optimize directly the plans!
- Try other optimizations schemes for the rates.
- Apply framework to new realistic problems.

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ANY QUESTIONS ?

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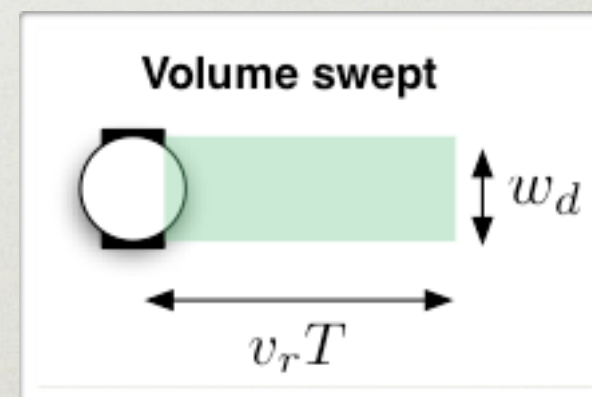
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Parameters estimation

- Reaction rates depends on encountering probabilities.
 - Measure them in Webots
 - A-priori guess using theoretical informations
- Chose to use the geometric probabilities, like N. Correll did.
 - Actually is the exact application of a chemical simulation formula to large-scale robots.

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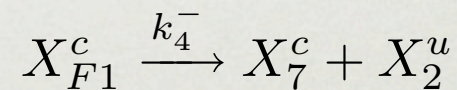
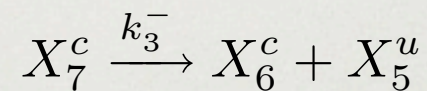
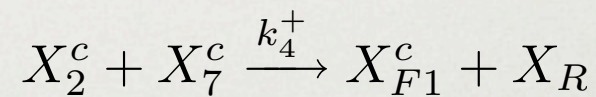
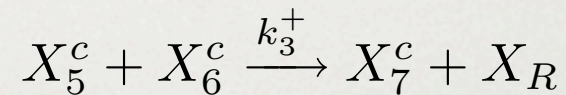
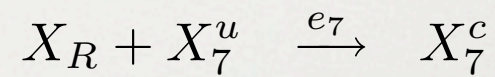
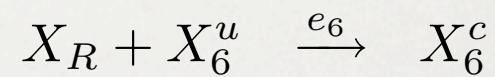
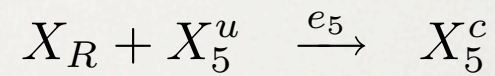
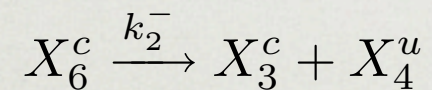
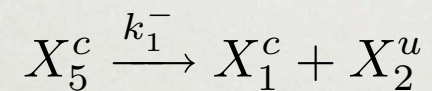
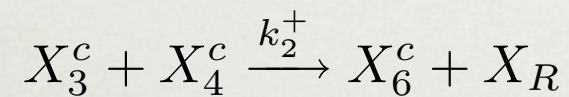
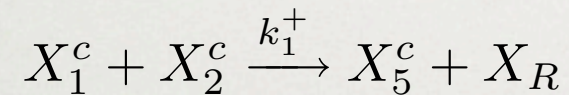
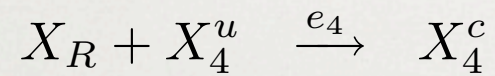
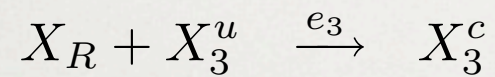
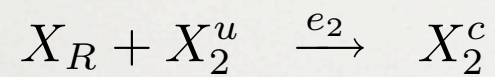
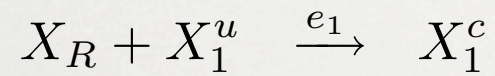
- Reaction rates depends on encountering probabilities.
 - Measure them in Webots
 - A-priori guess using theoretical informations
- Chose to use the geometric probabilities, like N. Correll did.
 - Actually is the exact application of a chemical simulation formula to large-scale robots.

$$k_i = p_i^e \cdot p_i^a$$

$$p_e \sim \frac{1}{A_{total}} v_r T w_d$$

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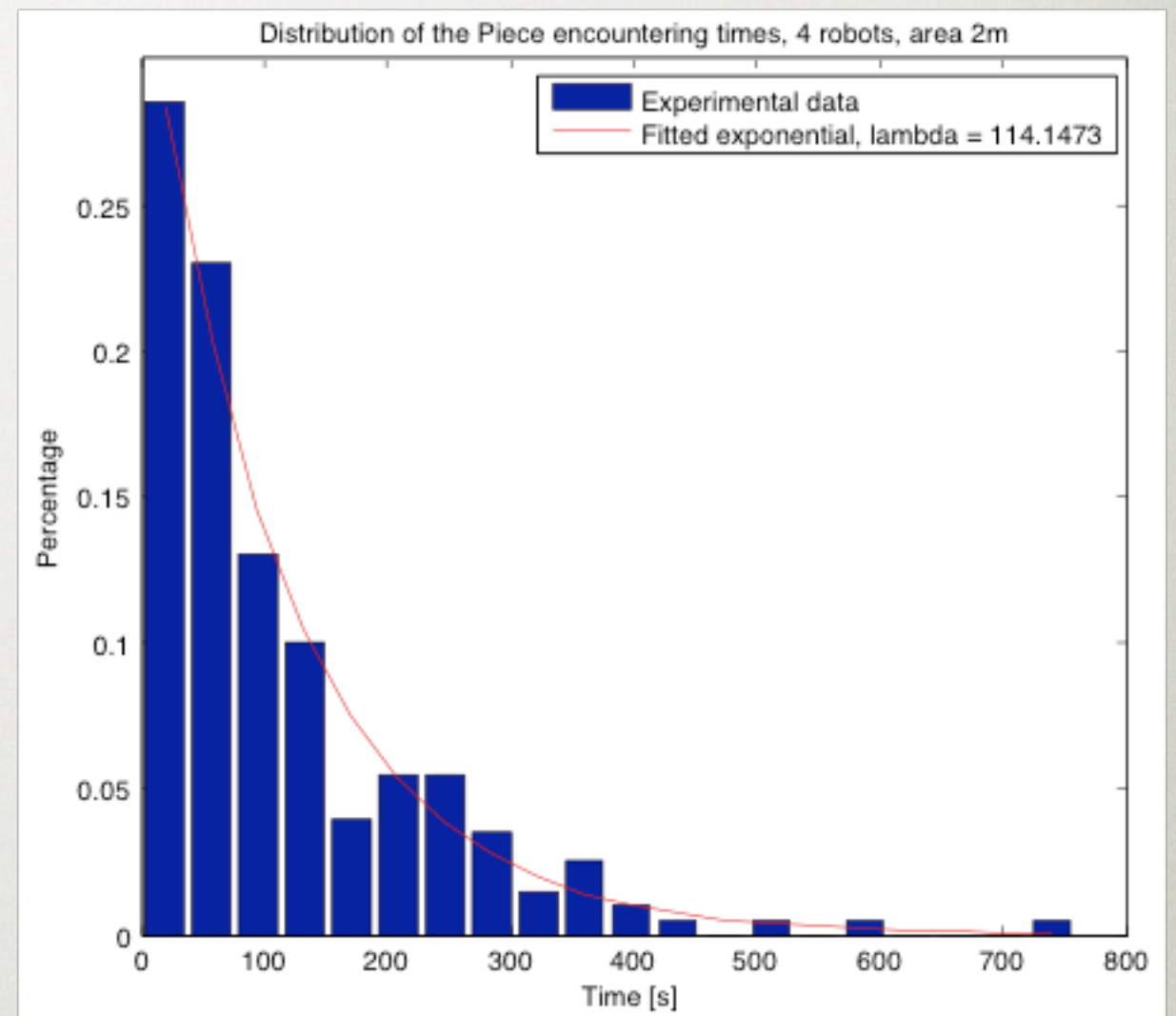
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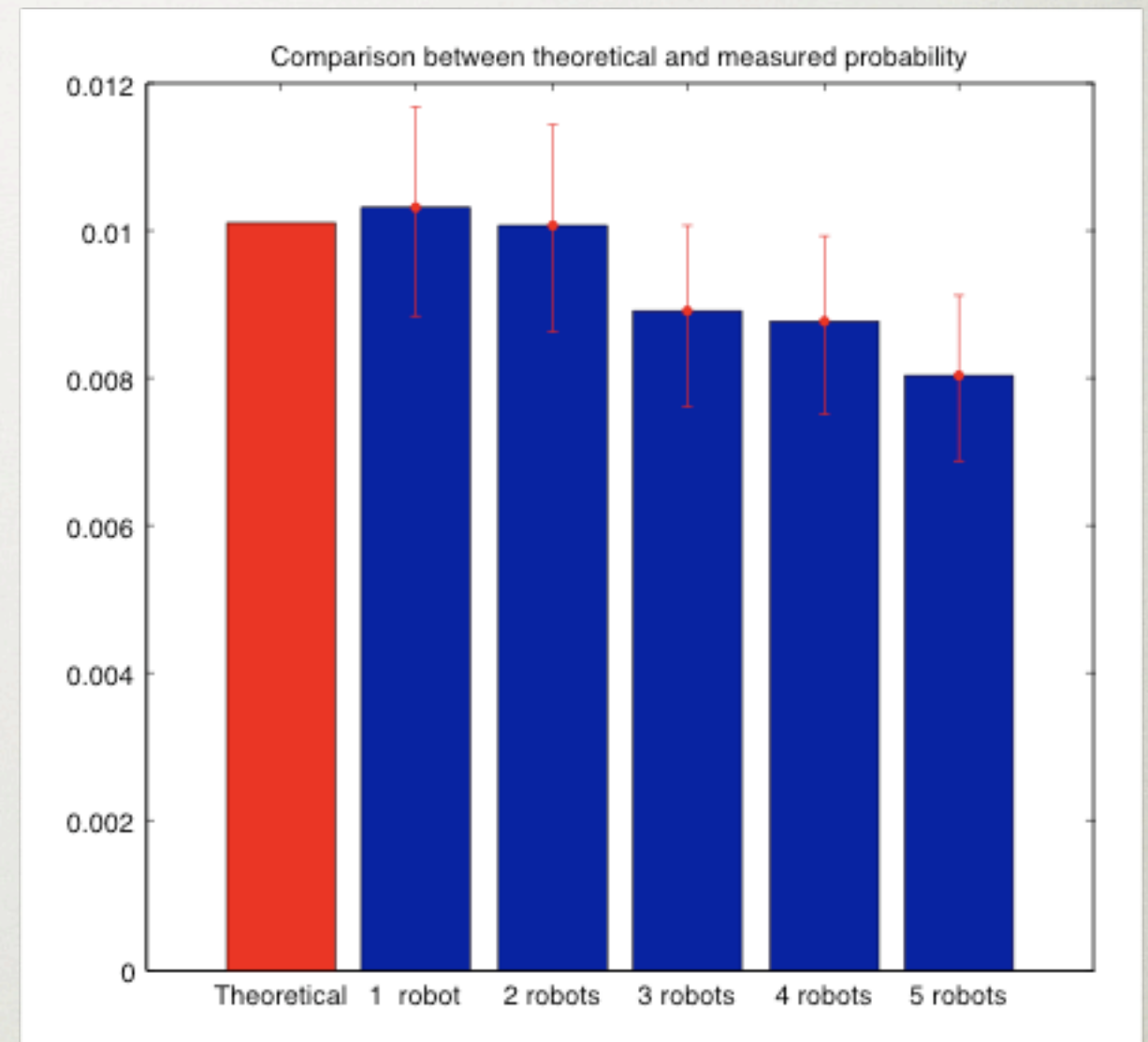
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- Hypothesis:
 - System should be well-mixed.
- Enforced by chemotaxis-like movement of robots.
- We can make non-spatiality assumption then.

