

# A flux-based approach for analyzing the disguised toric locus of reaction networks

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## Modules

We collect some modules that are used below.

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In[14]:= GetMassAction[reactions_] :=
  Module[{n, G, rates, flux, vars, srCs, tgts, monomials, f},
    G = Graph[reactions];
    n = Length[reactions][[1, 1]];
    rates = Table[ $\kappa_i$ , {i, 1, Length[reactions]}];
    flux = Table[ $\beta_i$ , {i, 1, Length[reactions]}];
    vars = Switch[n, 2, {x, y}, 3, {x, y, z}, 4, {x, y, z, w}, _, Table[xi, {i, 1, n}]];
    srCs = EdgeList[G][[All, 1]];
    tgts = EdgeList[G][[All, 2]];
    monomials = rates * Apply[Times, varssrCsT];
    f = Total[monomials * (tgts - srCs)];
    {f, rates, G, monomials, vars, flux}
  ];

GetEQ[reactions_] := Module[{f, vars, all1, EQUIL, i},
  {f, vars} = GetMassAction[reactions][[1, 5]];
  all1 = Table[vars[[i]] → 1, {i, 1, Length[vars]}];
  EQUIL = (f /. { $\kappa \rightarrow \beta$ } /. all1) == 0;
  EQUIL
];

GetFlux[reactions_] := Module[{},
  GetMassAction[reactions][[6]]
];

GetDEandVB[rxnG_, rxnH_] := Module[{f1, vars1, f2, rates2, G2, flux2, DE, VB},
  {f1, vars1} = GetMassAction[rxnG][[1, 5]];
  {f2, rates2, G2} = GetMassAction[rxnH][[1, 2, 3]];
  flux2 = rates2 /. { $\kappa \rightarrow \gamma$ };
  DE = CoefficientList[(f1 /. { $\kappa \rightarrow \beta$ }) - (f2 /. { $\kappa \rightarrow \gamma$ )], vars1] == 0;
  VB = IncidenceMatrix[G2].flux2 == 0;
  {DE, VB}
];

Get $\beta 2\kappa$ [reactions_] := Module[{flux, monomials,  $\beta 2\kappa$ , vars,  $\kappa s$ , i},
  flux = GetFlux[reactions];
  { $\kappa s$ , monomials, vars} = GetMassAction[reactions][[2, 4, 5]];
   $\beta 2\kappa$  = Table[flux[[i]] → monomials[[i]], {i, 1, Length[reactions]}];
  { $\beta 2\kappa$ ,  $\kappa s$ , vars}
];

DrawEGraph[rxn_] := Module[{}, {
  Graph[rxn,
    VertexCoordinates → Table[i → i, {i, VertexList[rxn]}], ImageSize → Tiny
  ]
];

```

## Examples

## Example 2.17

We verify that the Horn-Jackson function is indeed not always a global Lyapunov function for the partly reversible square.

We find that the value of the Horn-Jackson can both increase and decrease along trajectories in any neighborhood of the equilibrium, provided  $\kappa$  is chosen accordingly.

The equilibrium is a saddle of the function  $x \mapsto \langle \text{grad } L(x), f(x) \rangle$  for those specific rate constants.

```
In[20]:= gradL = Log[{x1, x2}];
f = {κ1 (1 - x1 x2), κ2 (x1 - x2) + κ1 (1 - x1 x2)};
H = D[gradL.f, {{x1, x2}, 2}] /. {x1 -> 1, x2 -> 1};
Print["Hessian matrix: ", MatrixForm[H]];
Print["determinant of the Hessian matrix is negative for ",
      Reduce[Det[H] < 0 && κ1 > 0 && κ2 > 0]];
```

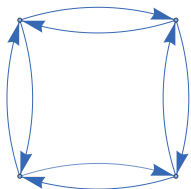
Hessian matrix: 
$$\begin{pmatrix} -2\kappa_1 & -2\kappa_1 + \kappa_2 \\ -2\kappa_1 + \kappa_2 & 2(-\kappa_1 - \kappa_2) \end{pmatrix}$$

determinant of the Hessian matrix is negative for  $\kappa_1 > 0 \ \&\& \ \kappa_2 > 8\kappa_1$

## 7.1 Reversible square

```
In[25]:= rxnG = {{0, 0} -> {1, 0}, {1, 0} -> {1, 1}, {1, 1} -> {0, 1}, {0, 1} -> {0, 0},
               {1, 0} -> {0, 0}, {1, 1} -> {1, 0}, {0, 1} -> {1, 1}, {0, 0} -> {0, 1}};
DrawEGraph[rxnG][[1]]
```

Out[26]=



### Equilibrium fluxes

```
In[27]:= EQ = GetEQ[rxnG]
```

Out[27]=

$\{\beta_1 - \beta_3 - \beta_5 + \beta_7, \beta_2 - \beta_4 - \beta_6 + \beta_8\} == 0$

## Disguised toric flux cone

```
In[28]:= rxnH = Join[rxnG, {{0, 0} → {1, 1}, {1, 1} → {0, 0}, {1, 0} → {0, 1}, {0, 1} → {1, 0}}];
(* H=Gmax=Gcomp *)
{DE, VB} = GetDEandVB[rxnG, rxnH];
sol = Solve[DE && VB, {β1, β8, γ1, γ2, γ3, γ4, γ5, γ6, γ7, γ8, γ9}]["1"];
MatrixForm[sol]
```

Out[31]//MatrixForm=

$$\left( \begin{array}{l} \beta_1 \rightarrow \beta_3 + \beta_5 - \beta_7 \\ \beta_8 \rightarrow -\beta_2 + \beta_4 + \beta_6 \\ \gamma_1 \rightarrow \beta_2 + \beta_5 - \beta_6 + \gamma_{10} - \gamma_{11} - \gamma_{12} \\ \gamma_2 \rightarrow \beta_2 - \gamma_{11} \\ \gamma_3 \rightarrow \beta_3 - \gamma_{10} \\ \gamma_4 \rightarrow \beta_4 - \gamma_{12} \\ \gamma_5 \rightarrow \beta_5 - \gamma_{11} \\ \gamma_6 \rightarrow \beta_6 - \gamma_{10} \\ \gamma_7 \rightarrow \beta_7 - \gamma_{12} \\ \gamma_8 \rightarrow -\beta_3 + \beta_4 + \beta_7 + \gamma_{10} - \gamma_{11} - \gamma_{12} \\ \gamma_9 \rightarrow -\beta_2 + \beta_3 + \beta_6 - \beta_7 - \gamma_{10} + \gamma_{11} + \gamma_{12} \end{array} \right)$$

Next, we verify that the simplified formula is indeed equivalent to what we originally got.

```
In[32]:= flux = GetFlux[rxnG];
disgβ1 = Max[β1, β8] - β4 - β5 ≤ Min[β3, β6] &&
  -Min[β2, β5] - Min[β4, β7] ≤ β1 - β5 - β2 + β6 && EQ && flux > 0;
disgβ2 = (β1 - β8) (β3 - β6) ≤ (β2 + β5) (β4 + β7) &&
  (β2 - β5) (β4 - β7) ≤ (β1 + β8) (β3 + β6) && EQ && flux > 0;
Reduce[disgβ1 && Not[disgβ2]]
Reduce[Not[disgβ1] && disgβ2]
```

Out[35]=

False

Out[36]=

False

## Disguised toric locus

How much of the simplex is covered by the disguised toric locus? We get approximately **83.3%** (1 million simulations take about 25 seconds.)

```

In[37]:= M = 1000000;
count = 0;
disg $\kappa$  = ( $\kappa_1 - \kappa_8$ ) ( $\kappa_3 - \kappa_6$ )  $\leq$  ( $\kappa_2 + \kappa_5$ ) ( $\kappa_4 + \kappa_7$ ) && ( $\kappa_2 - \kappa_5$ ) ( $\kappa_4 - \kappa_7$ )  $\leq$  ( $\kappa_1 + \kappa_8$ ) ( $\kappa_3 + \kappa_6$ );
For[i = 1, i  $\leq$  M, i++, {
  rnd = RandomVariate[ExponentialDistribution[1], 8];
  If[disg $\kappa$  /. Table[ $\kappa_j \rightarrow$  rnd[[j]], {j, 1, 8}], count++];
}];
Print[N[100 count / M, 3], "% of the simplex is covered by  $K^{dt}(G)$ "];

```

83.3% of the simplex is covered by  $K^{dt}(G)$

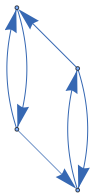
## 7.2 Square vs. parallelogram

```

In[42]:= rxnG = {{0, 1}  $\rightarrow$  {1, 0}, {1, 0}  $\rightarrow$  {1, 2},
  {1, 2}  $\rightarrow$  {0, 3}, {0, 3}  $\rightarrow$  {0, 1}, {1, 2}  $\rightarrow$  {1, 0}, {0, 1}  $\rightarrow$  {0, 3}};
DrawEGraph[rxnG][[1]]

```

Out[43]=

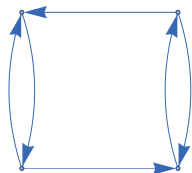


```

In[44]:= rxnG = {{0, 0}  $\rightarrow$  {1, 0}, {1, 0}  $\rightarrow$  {1, 1},
  {1, 1}  $\rightarrow$  {0, 1}, {0, 1}  $\rightarrow$  {0, 0}, {1, 1}  $\rightarrow$  {1, 0}, {0, 0}  $\rightarrow$  {0, 1}};
DrawEGraph[rxnG][[1]]

```

Out[45]=



## Equilibrium fluxes

```

In[46]:= EQ = GetEQ[rxnG]

```

Out[46]=

$\{\beta_1 - \beta_3, \beta_2 - \beta_4 - \beta_5 + \beta_6\} == 0$

## Disguised toric flux cone

```
In[47]:= rxnH = Join[rxnG, {{0, 0} -> {1, 1}, {1, 1} -> {0, 0}}];
{DE, VB} = GetDEandVB[rxnG, rxnH];
sol = Solve[DE && VB, {β2, β3, γ1, γ2, γ3, γ4, γ5, γ6, γ7}][[1]];
MatrixForm[sol]
```

Out[50]//MatrixForm=

$$\begin{pmatrix} \beta_2 \rightarrow \beta_4 + \beta_5 - \beta_6 \\ \beta_3 \rightarrow \beta_1 \\ \gamma_1 \rightarrow \beta_4 - \beta_6 + \gamma_8 \\ \gamma_2 \rightarrow \beta_4 + \beta_5 - \beta_6 \\ \gamma_3 \rightarrow \beta_1 - \gamma_8 \\ \gamma_4 \rightarrow \beta_4 \\ \gamma_5 \rightarrow \beta_5 - \gamma_8 \\ \gamma_6 \rightarrow -\beta_1 + \beta_4 + \gamma_8 \\ \gamma_7 \rightarrow \beta_1 - \beta_4 + \beta_6 - \gamma_8 \end{pmatrix}$$

Next, we verify that the simplified formula is indeed equivalent to what we originally got.

```
In[51]:= flux = GetFlux[rxnG];
disgβ1 = Max[β1, β6] - β4 ≤ Min[β1, β5, β1 + β6 - β4] && β1 + β6 - β4 ≥ 0 && EQ && flux > 0;
disgβ2 = Abs[β4 - β6] ≤ β1 ≤ β4 + β5 && EQ && flux > 0;
Reduce[disgβ1 && Not[disgβ2]]
Reduce[Not[disgβ1] && disgβ2]
```

Out[54]=

False

Out[55]=

False

## Disguised toric locus

```
In[56]:= {β2κ, κs, vars} = Getβ2κ[rxnG];
disgκ1 = Reduce[Resolve[Exists[{x, y}, (disgβ2 /. β2κ) && κs > 0 && vars > 0]]];
disgκ2 =  $\left(1 - \frac{\kappa_6}{\kappa_1}\right) \left(1 - \frac{\kappa_5}{\kappa_3}\right) \leq \frac{\kappa_2 \kappa_4}{\kappa_1 \kappa_3} \leq \left(1 + \frac{\kappa_6}{\kappa_1}\right) \left(1 + \frac{\kappa_5}{\kappa_3}\right)$  && κs > 0;
Reduce[disgκ1 && Not[disgκ2]]
Reduce[Not[disgκ1] && disgκ2]
```

Out[59]=

False

Out[60]=

False

How much of the simplex is covered by the disguised toric locus? We get approximately **58.3%** (1 million simulations take about 25 seconds.)

```

In[61]:= M = 1000000;
count = 0;
disgk =  $\left(1 - \frac{\kappa_6}{\kappa_1}\right) \left(1 - \frac{\kappa_5}{\kappa_3}\right) \leq \frac{\kappa_2 \kappa_4}{\kappa_1 \kappa_3} \leq \left(1 + \frac{\kappa_6}{\kappa_1}\right) \left(1 + \frac{\kappa_5}{\kappa_3}\right)$ ;
For[i = 1, i ≤ M, i++, {
  rnd = RandomVariate[ExponentialDistribution[1], 8];
  If[disgk /. Table[κj → rnd[[j]], {j, 1, 8}], count++];
}];
Print[N[100 count / M, 3], "% of the simplex is covered by Kdt(G)"];

```

58.3% of the simplex is covered by K<sup>dt</sup>(G)

## Plots (Figure 1 in Section 1)

```

In[117]:= dir = "C://bboros//Dropbox//disguised_toric//figures//";

disgk =  $\left(1 - \frac{\kappa_6}{\kappa_1}\right) \left(1 - \frac{\kappa_5}{\kappa_3}\right) \leq \frac{\kappa_2 \kappa_4}{\kappa_1 \kappa_3} \leq \left(1 + \frac{\kappa_6}{\kappa_1}\right) \left(1 + \frac{\kappa_5}{\kappa_3}\right)$ ;
b = 4.5;
xaxis = ListLinePlot[{{0, 0}, {b, 0}}, PlotStyle → {Gray, Thickness[0.008]}];
yaxis = ListLinePlot[{{0, 0}, {0, b}}, PlotStyle → {Gray, Thickness[0.008]}];

(* case  $\frac{\kappa_2 \kappa_4}{\kappa_1 \kappa_3} < 1$  *)
κspec = {κ1 → 1, κ3 → 1, κ2 → 1, κ4 → 1 / 4};
rgnpl = RegionPlot[disgk /. κspec, {κ5, 0, b},
  {κ6, 0, b}, PlotStyle → {Opacity[0.2]}, GridLines → Automatic,
  BoundaryStyle → None, Frame → False, PlotRange → {{0, b}, {0, b}}];
dt1 = Plot[ $1 - \frac{\kappa_2 \kappa_4}{\kappa_1 \kappa_3} / \left(1 - \frac{\kappa_5}{\kappa_3}\right)$  /. κspec, {κ5, 0, 1},
  PlotRange → {{0, 1}, {0, 1}}, PlotStyle → {Opacity[0.4], Thickness[0.005]}];
dt2 = Plot[ $1 - \frac{\kappa_2 \kappa_4}{\kappa_1 \kappa_3} / \left(1 - \frac{\kappa_5}{\kappa_3}\right)$  /. κspec, {κ5, 1, b},
  PlotRange → {{0, b}, {0, b}}, PlotStyle → {Opacity[0.4], Thickness[0.005]}];
shw = Show[rgnpl, dt1, dt2, xaxis, yaxis]
Export[dir <> "running_k4_small.png", shw];

(* case  $\frac{\kappa_2 \kappa_4}{\kappa_1 \kappa_3} = 1$  *)
κspec = {κ1 → 1, κ3 → 1, κ2 → 1, κ4 → 1};
rgnpl = RegionPlot[disgk /. κspec, {κ5, 0, b},
  {κ6, 0, b}, PlotStyle → {Opacity[0.2]}, GridLines → Automatic,
  BoundaryStyle → None, Frame → False, PlotRange → {{0, b}, {0, b}}];
dt = Plot[ $1 - \frac{\kappa_2 \kappa_4}{\kappa_1 \kappa_3} / \left(1 - \frac{\kappa_5}{\kappa_3}\right)$  /. κspec, {κ5, 1, b},
  PlotRange → {{0, b}, {0, b}}, PlotStyle → {Opacity[0.4], Thickness[0.005]}];

```

```

shw = Show[rgnpl, dt, xaxis, yaxis]
Export[dir <> "running_k4_equal.png", shw];

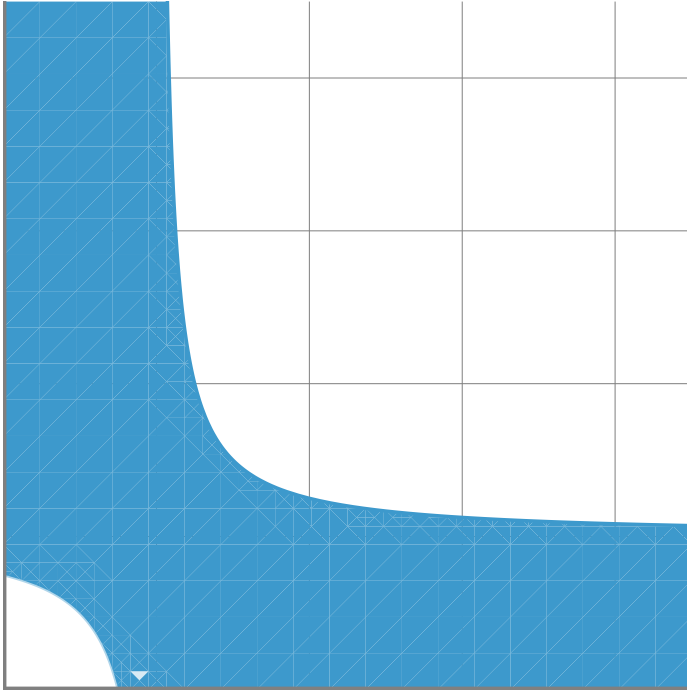
(* case  $\frac{\kappa_2 \kappa_4}{\kappa_1 \kappa_3} > 1$  *)
kspec = { $\kappa_1 \rightarrow 1$ ,  $\kappa_3 \rightarrow 1$ ,  $\kappa_2 \rightarrow 1$ ,  $\kappa_4 \rightarrow 3$ };
rgnpl = RegionPlot[disgk /. kspec, { $\kappa_5$ , 0, b},
  { $\kappa_6$ , 0, b}, PlotStyle -> {Opacity[0.2]}, GridLines -> Automatic,
  BoundaryStyle -> None, Frame -> False, PlotRange -> {{0, b}, {0, b}}];
dt1 = Plot[ $1 - \frac{\kappa_2 \kappa_4}{\kappa_1 \kappa_3} / \left(1 - \frac{\kappa_5}{\kappa_3}\right)$  /. kspec, { $\kappa_5$ , 1, b},
  PlotRange -> {{0, b}, {0, b}}, PlotStyle -> {Opacity[0.4], Thickness[0.005]}];
dt2 = Plot[ $\frac{\kappa_2 \kappa_4}{\kappa_1 \kappa_3} / \left(1 + \frac{\kappa_5}{\kappa_3}\right) - 1$  /. kspec, { $\kappa_5$ , 0, b},
  PlotRange -> {{0, b}, {0, b}}, PlotStyle -> {Opacity[0.4], Thickness[0.005]}];
toric = Plot[ $\frac{\kappa_2 \kappa_4}{\kappa_1 \kappa_3} / \left(1 + \frac{\kappa_5}{\kappa_3}\right) - 1$  /. kspec, { $\kappa_5$ , 0, b},
  PlotRange -> {{0, b}, {0, b}}, PlotStyle -> {Red, Dashed, Thickness[0.006]}];
shw = Show[rgnpl, dt1, dt2, toric, xaxis, yaxis]
Export[dir <> "running_k4_big.png", shw];

(* flux cone *)
b = 6.5;
xaxis = ListLinePlot[{{0, 0}, {b, 0}}, PlotStyle -> {Gray, Thickness[0.008]}];
yaxis = ListLinePlot[{{0, 0}, {0, b}}, PlotStyle -> {Gray, Thickness[0.008]}];
rgnpl = RegionPlot[Abs[ $\beta_4 - \beta_1$ ] ≤  $\beta_1$  ≤  $\beta_4 + (\beta_1 + \beta_4) / 2$ , { $\beta_1$ , 0, b},
  { $\beta_4$ , 0, b}, PlotStyle -> {Opacity[0.2]}, GridLines -> Automatic,
  BoundaryStyle -> None, Frame -> False, PlotRange -> {{0, b}, {0, b}}];
dt1 = Plot[2  $\beta_1$ , { $\beta_1$ , 0, b}, PlotRange -> {{0, b}, {0, b}},
  PlotStyle -> {Opacity[0.4], Thickness[0.005]}];
dt2 = Plot[ $\frac{1}{3} \beta_1$ , { $\beta_1$ , 0, b}, PlotRange -> {{0, b}, {0, b}},
  PlotStyle -> {Opacity[0.4], Thickness[0.005]}];
toric = Plot[2  $\beta_1$ , { $\beta_1$ , 0, b}, PlotRange -> {{0, b}, {0, b}},
  PlotStyle -> {Red, Dashed, Thickness[0.006]}];
shw = Show[rgnpl, xaxis, yaxis, dt1, dt2, toric]
Export[dir <> "running_flux.png", shw];

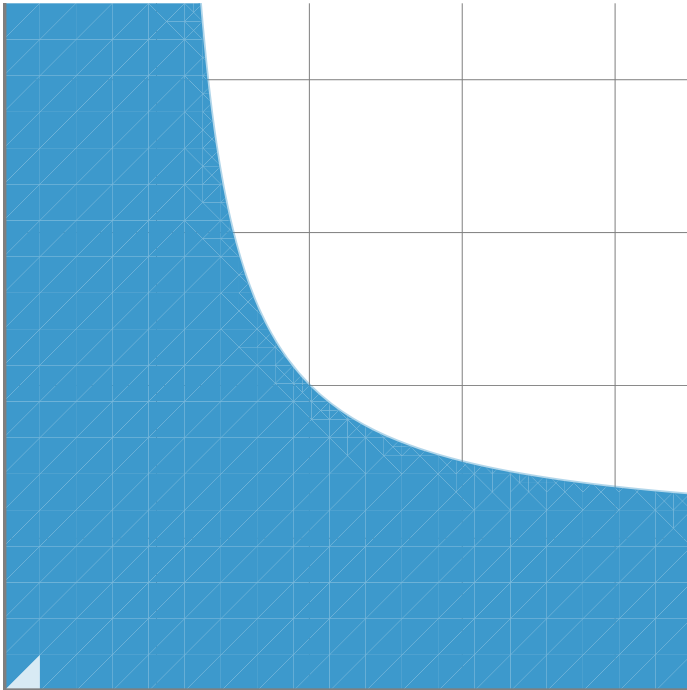
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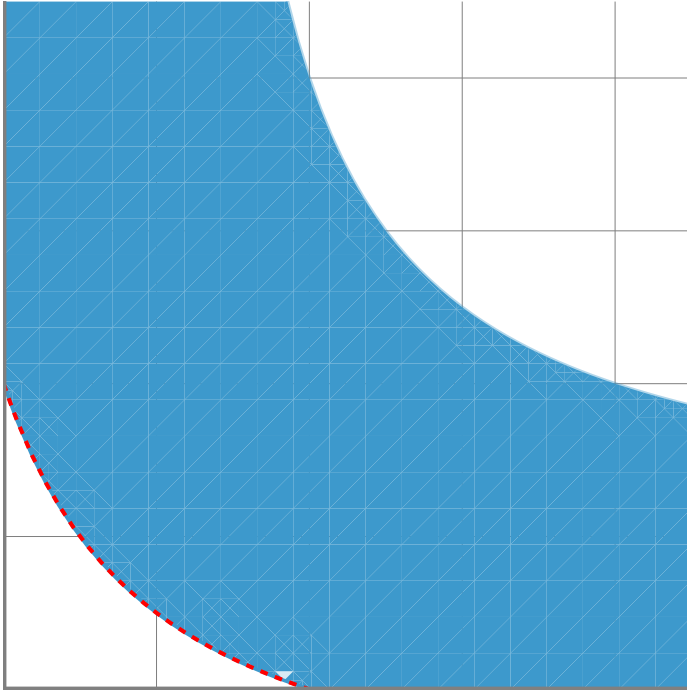
Out[126]=



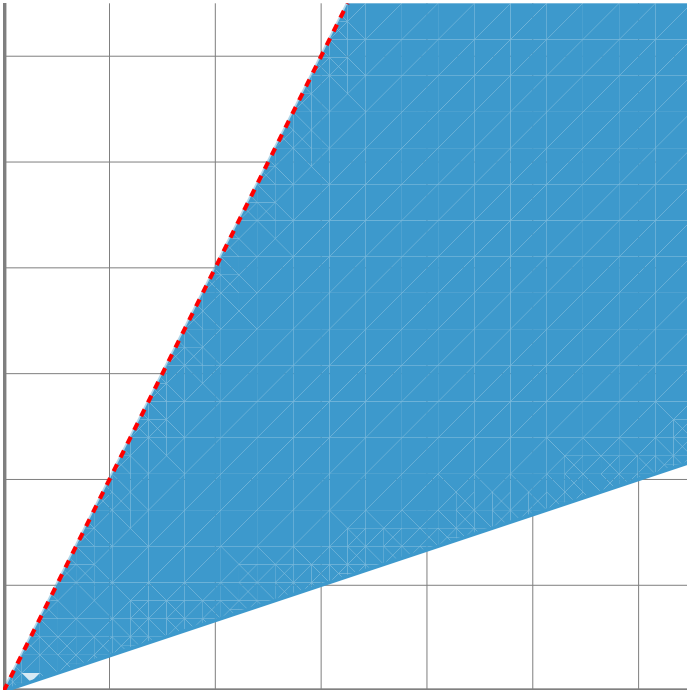
Out[131]=



Out[138]=

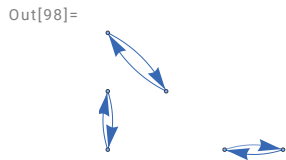


Out[147]=



## 7.3 Reversible LVA

```
In[97]:= rxnG = {{2, 0} -> {3, 0}, {3, 0} -> {2, 0},
               {1, 1} -> {0, 2}, {0, 2} -> {1, 1}, {0, 1} -> {0, 0}, {0, 0} -> {0, 1}};
DrawEGraph[rxnG][[1]]
```



### Five positive equilibria

```
In[99]:= f = GetMassAction[rxnG][[1]];
κsubst = {κ1 -> 2, κ2 -> 1/10, κ3 -> 3, κ4 -> 1, κ5 -> 3, κ6 -> 1};
eqs = N[Solve[(f /. κsubst) == 0 && {x, y} > 0, {x, y}]]
J = D[f, {{x, y}}];
Eigenvalues /@ (J /. κsubst /. eqs)
```

Out[101]=

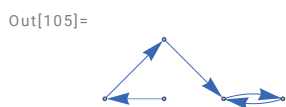
```
{ {x -> 0.175311, y -> 0.353643}, {x -> 0.601603, y -> 0.56736},
  {x -> 0.781398, y -> 0.724485}, {x -> 4.28929, y -> 9.96818}, {x -> 14.1262, y -> 39.4038} }
```

Out[103]=

```
{ {-3.24818, -0.302082}, {-1.86674, 0.132589},
  {-1.01267, -0.323142}, {-29.2734, 0.938091}, {-157.916, -3.08462} }
```

## 7.4 A network with a subcritical Bogdanov-Takens bifurcation

```
In[104]:= rxnG =
  {{1, 0} -> {0, 0}, {0, 0} -> {1, 1}, {1, 1} -> {2, 0}, {2, 0} -> {3, 0}, {3, 0} -> {2, 0}};
DrawEGraph[rxnG][[1]]
```



## Three positive equilibria

In[106]:=

```
f = GetMassAction[rxnG][[1]];
κsubst = {κ1 → 7, κ2 → 1, κ3 → 2, κ4 → 7, κ5 → 2};
eqs = N[Solve[(f /. κsubst) == 0 && {x, y} > 0, {x, y}]];
J = D[f, {{x, y}}];
Eigenvalues /@ (J /. κsubst /. eqs)
```

Out[108]=

```
{ {x → 0.5, y → 1.}, {x → 1., y → 0.5}, {x → 2., y → 0.25} }
```

Out[110]=

```
{ {-0.25 + 1.19896 i, -0.25 - 1.19896 i},
  {-1.41421, 1.41421}, {-3.25 + 1.19896 i, -3.25 - 1.19896 i} }
```

## Disguised toric locus

In[111]:=

```
Resolve[Exists[{x, y}, f == 0 && x ≤  $\frac{\kappa_2}{\kappa_1}$  && {x, y} > 0 && {κ1, κ2, κ3, κ4, κ5} > 0]]
```

Out[111]=

$$\kappa_1 > 0 \ \&\& \ \kappa_2 > 0 \ \&\& \ \kappa_4 > 0 \ \&\& \ \kappa_5 \geq \frac{\kappa_1^3 + \kappa_1 \kappa_2 \kappa_4}{\kappa_2^2} \ \&\& \ \kappa_3 > 0$$

How much of the simplex is covered by the disguised toric locus? We get approximately **35.4%** (5 million simulations take about 1 minute.)

In[112]:=

```
M = 5 000 000;
count = 0;
disgκ =  $\frac{\kappa_5}{\kappa_1} \geq \left(\frac{\kappa_1}{\kappa_2}\right)^2 + \frac{\kappa_4}{\kappa_2}$ ;
For[i = 1, i ≤ M, i++, {
  rnd = RandomVariate[ExponentialDistribution[1], 5];
  If[disgκ /. Table[κj → rnd[[j]], {j, 1, 5}], count++];
}];
Print[N[100 count / M, 3], "% of the simplex is covered by Kdt(G)"];
```

```
35.4% of the simplex is covered by Kdt(G)
```

## 7.6 Tetrahedron

In[149]:=

```
rxnG = {{0, 0, 0} -> {1, 0, 0},
        {1, 0, 0} -> {0, 0, 0}, {1, 0, 0} -> {2, 0, 0}, {2, 0, 0} -> {1, 0, 0},
        {1, 0, 0} -> {0, 1, 1}, {0, 1, 1} -> {1, 0, 0}, {0, 2, 0} -> {0, 1, 1},
        {0, 1, 1} -> {0, 2, 0}, {0, 1, 1} -> {0, 0, 2}, {0, 0, 2} -> {0, 1, 1}};
```

### Disguised toric flux cone

In[150]:=

```
{DE, VB} = GetDEandVB[rxnG, rxnG];
sol = Solve[DE && VB, {β2, β5, β8, γ1, γ2, γ3, γ4, γ5, γ6, γ7, γ8, γ9, γ10}][[1]];
MatrixForm[sol]
```

Out[152]//MatrixForm=

$$\left( \begin{array}{l} \beta_2 \rightarrow \beta_1 + \beta_3 - \beta_4 \\ \beta_5 \rightarrow \beta_6 \\ \beta_8 \rightarrow \beta_7 + \beta_9 - \beta_{10} \\ \gamma_1 \rightarrow \beta_1 \\ \gamma_2 \rightarrow \beta_1 \\ \gamma_3 \rightarrow \beta_4 \\ \gamma_4 \rightarrow \beta_4 \\ \gamma_5 \rightarrow \beta_6 \\ \gamma_6 \rightarrow \beta_6 \\ \gamma_7 \rightarrow \beta_7 \\ \gamma_8 \rightarrow \beta_7 \\ \gamma_9 \rightarrow \beta_{10} \\ \gamma_{10} \rightarrow \beta_{10} \end{array} \right)$$

## 7.7 A four-dimensional example

In[153]:=

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rxnG = {{0, 0, 0, 0} -> {1, 0, 0, 0}, {1, 0, 0, 0} -> {0, 0, 0, 0},
        {0, 0, 0, 0} -> {0, 1, 0, 0}, {0, 1, 0, 0} -> {0, 0, 0, 0}, {0, 0, 0, 0} -> {0, 0, 1, 0},
        {0, 0, 1, 0} -> {0, 0, 0, 0}, {0, 0, 0, 0} -> {0, 0, 0, 1}, {0, 0, 0, 1} -> {0, 0, 0, 0},
        {0, 0, 0, 1} -> {2, 0, 0, 0}, {2, 0, 0, 0} -> {0, 0, 0, 1}, {0, 0, 0, 1} -> {0, 2, 0, 0},
        {0, 2, 0, 0} -> {0, 0, 0, 1}, {0, 0, 0, 1} -> {0, 0, 2, 0}, {0, 0, 2, 0} -> {0, 0, 0, 1}};
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### Equilibrium fluxes

In[154]:=

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EQ = GetEQ[rxnG]
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Out[154]=

$$\{\beta_1 - \beta_2 + 2\beta_9 - 2\beta_{10}, \beta_3 - \beta_4 + 2\beta_{11} - 2\beta_{12}, \\ \beta_5 - \beta_6 + 2\beta_{13} - 2\beta_{14}, \beta_7 - \beta_8 - \beta_9 + \beta_{10} - \beta_{11} + \beta_{12} - \beta_{13} + \beta_{14}\} == 0$$

## Disguised toric flux cone

In[155]:=

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rxnH = Join[rxnG,
  {{1, 0, 0, 0} → {2, 0, 0, 0}, {0, 1, 0, 0} → {0, 2, 0, 0}, {0, 0, 1, 0} → {0, 0, 2, 0},
   {0, 0, 0, 1} → {1, 0, 0, 0}, {0, 0, 0, 1} → {0, 1, 0, 0}, {0, 0, 0, 1} → {0, 0, 1, 0}}];
{DE, VB} = GetDEandVB[rxnG, rxnH];
sol = Solve[DE && VB, {β8, β9, β11, β13, γ1, γ3, γ5,
  γ7, γ8, γ9, γ10, γ11, γ12, γ13, γ14, γ15, γ16, γ17, γ18, γ19, γ20}][[1]];
MatrixForm[sol]

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Out[158]//MatrixForm=

$$\left( \begin{array}{l}
 \beta_8 \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} (\beta_1 - \beta_2 + \beta_3 - \beta_4 + \beta_5 - \beta_6 + 2 \beta_7) \\
 \beta_9 \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} (-\beta_1 + \beta_2 + 2 \beta_{10}) \\
 \beta_{11} \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} (-\beta_3 + \beta_4 + 2 \beta_{12}) \\
 \beta_{13} \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} (-\beta_5 + \beta_6 + 2 \beta_{14}) \\
 \gamma_1 \rightarrow \beta_1 \\
 \gamma_3 \rightarrow \beta_3 \\
 \gamma_5 \rightarrow \beta_5 \\
 \gamma_7 \rightarrow \beta_7 \\
 \gamma_8 \rightarrow \beta_1 + \beta_3 + \beta_5 + \beta_7 - \gamma_2 - \gamma_4 - \gamma_6 \\
 \gamma_9 \rightarrow \beta_2 + \beta_{10} - \gamma_2 \\
 \gamma_{10} \rightarrow \beta_{10} \\
 \gamma_{11} \rightarrow \beta_4 + \beta_{12} - \gamma_4 \\
 \gamma_{12} \rightarrow \beta_{12} \\
 \gamma_{13} \rightarrow \beta_6 + \beta_{14} - \gamma_6 \\
 \gamma_{14} \rightarrow \beta_{14} \\
 \gamma_{15} \rightarrow -\beta_2 + \gamma_2 \\
 \gamma_{16} \rightarrow -\beta_4 + \gamma_4 \\
 \gamma_{17} \rightarrow -\beta_6 + \gamma_6 \\
 \gamma_{18} \rightarrow -\beta_1 - \beta_2 + 2 \gamma_2 \\
 \gamma_{19} \rightarrow -\beta_3 - \beta_4 + 2 \gamma_4 \\
 \gamma_{20} \rightarrow -\beta_5 - \beta_6 + 2 \gamma_6
 \end{array} \right)$$

Hence,  $\gamma_2 \geq \max\left(\beta_2, \frac{1}{2}(\beta_1 + \beta_2)\right)$ ,  $\gamma_4 \geq \max\left(\beta_4, \frac{1}{2}(\beta_3 + \beta_4)\right)$ ,  $\gamma_6 \geq \max\left(\beta_6, \frac{1}{2}(\beta_5 + \beta_6)\right)$  in order to guarantee  $\gamma_{15}, \gamma_{16}, \gamma_{17}, \gamma_{18}, \gamma_{19}, \gamma_{20} \geq 0$ .

With  $\gamma_2 = \max\left(\beta_2, \frac{1}{2}(\beta_1 + \beta_2)\right)$ ,  $\gamma_4 = \max\left(\beta_4, \frac{1}{2}(\beta_3 + \beta_4)\right)$ ,  $\gamma_6 = \max\left(\beta_6, \frac{1}{2}(\beta_5 + \beta_6)\right)$ , we have

$\gamma_9 = \min(\beta_9, \beta_{10})$ ,  $\gamma_{11} = \min(\beta_{11}, \beta_{12})$ ,  $\gamma_{13} = \min(\beta_{13}, \beta_{14})$ , all positive.

Hence, the only thing we still need is that  $\gamma_8 \geq 0$ , which leads to the condition

$$\beta_1 - \max\left(\beta_2, \frac{1}{2}(\beta_1 + \beta_2)\right) + \beta_3 - \max\left(\beta_4, \frac{1}{2}(\beta_3 + \beta_4)\right) + \beta_5 - \max\left(\beta_6, \frac{1}{2}(\beta_5 + \beta_6)\right) + \beta_7 \geq 0.$$

How much of the simplex is covered by the disguised toric locus? We get approximately **62.6%**

We have an explicit formula for the disguised toric flux cone, but not for the disguised toric locus.

Hence, for a given rate constant, we solve numerically for the (unique) positive equilibrium, and then compute the corresponding flux.

(100k simulations take about 25 minutes, because solving for the positive equilibrium is slow.)

We got 62.70%, 62.30%, 62.77%, 62.49%, 62.43%, 62.98%, 62.40%, 62.38%, 62.58%, 62.77% for

different runs of 100k simulations, a total of 1 million runs, the average is 62.6%.

In[159]:=

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{f, monomials} = GetMassAction[rxnG][[1, 4]];
M = 10000;
count = 0;
disgβ = β1 - Max[β2,  $\frac{\beta_1 + \beta_2}{2}$ ] + β3 - Max[β4,  $\frac{\beta_3 + \beta_4}{2}$ ] + β5 - Max[β6,  $\frac{\beta_5 + \beta_6}{2}$ ] + β7 ≥ 0;
For[i = 1, i ≤ M, i++, {
  rnd = RandomVariate[ExponentialDistribution[1], 14];
  κsubst = Table[κj → rnd[[j]], {j, 1, 14}];
  ff = f /. κsubst;
  equil = NSolve[ff == 0 && x > 0 && y > 0 && z > 0 && w > 0, {x, y, z, w}][[1];
  monomspec = monomials[[1 ;; 7]] /. κsubst /. equil;
  βsubst = Table[βj → monomspec[[j]], {j, 1, 7}];
  If[disgβ /. βsubst, count++];
}];
Print[N[100 count / M, 3],
  "% of the simplex is covered by Kdt(G) (based on ", M, " simulations)"];
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62.3% of the simplex is covered by K<sup>dt</sup>(G) (based on 10000 simulations)

## Appendix

We briefly explain how to sample uniformly from the simplex  $\left\{ \kappa \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^m \mid \sum_{i=1}^m \kappa_i = 1 \right\}$ .

**Lemma** Let  $X_1, \dots, X_m \sim \text{Exponential}(\lambda)$  be independent random variables. Let  $Y_i = \frac{X_i}{X_1 + \dots + X_m}$

( $i = 1, \dots, m$ ). Then  $(Y_1, \dots, Y_m)$  is uniformly distributed on the simplex.

**Proof** Let  $S = X_1 + \dots + X_m$  and  $g(x_1, \dots, x_m) = \left( \frac{x_1}{s}, \dots, \frac{x_{m-1}}{s}, s \right)$ . Then the Jacobian determinant of  $g^{-1}$  equals  $s^{m-1}$ . Hence, the joint density function of  $(Y_1, \dots, Y_{m-1}, S)$  is  $\lambda^m e^{-\lambda s} s^{m-1}$  for  $y_1, \dots, y_{m-1} > 0, y_1 + \dots + y_{m-1} < 1, s > 0$ . Note that this function is independent of  $y_1, \dots, y_{m-1}$ . By integration w.r.t.  $s$ , find that the joint density function of  $(Y_1, \dots, Y_{m-1})$  is constant  $\Gamma(m) = (m-1)!$  over the simplex. This concludes the proof.

**Remark** Since the equilibrium of a mass-action doesn't depend on scaling of the rate constants, in practice we don't need to divide by the sum. Also, notice that the parameter  $\lambda$  of the exponential distribution has no effect on the joint distribution of  $(Y_1, \dots, Y_m)$  (which is also called Dirichlet(1,...,1) distribution).