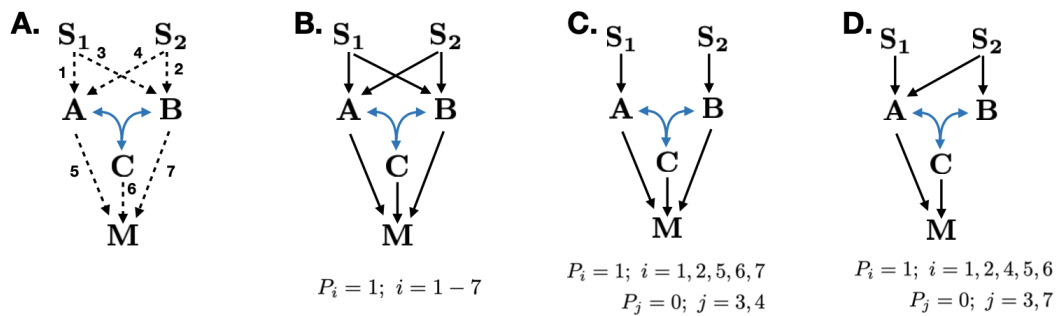
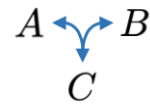


# Minimal binding network for slope antagonism

Here we analyze possible binding networks given in the following picture-



$$P_i = \{0, 1\} \equiv \{\text{edge absent, edge present}\}$$



We first perform calculation for the general network A using-

$$\dot{c} = k_1 ab - k_2 c$$

The dynamical equations are-

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In[ ]:= dadt = ka0 + P1 * k1 * s1 + P4 * k4 * s2 - kda * a - γ * a * b
dbdt = kb0 + P3 * k3 * s1 + P2 * k2 * s2 - kdb * b - γ * a * b
Solve[{dadt == 0, dbdt == 0}, {a, b}]

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Out[ ]:= -a b γ + ka0 - a kda + k1 P1 s1 + k4 P4 s2
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Out[ ]:= -a b γ + kb0 - b kdb + k3 P3 s1 + k2 P2 s2
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$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Out[ ]} = & \left\{ \left\{ a \rightarrow \frac{1}{2 \gamma k_{da}} \left( \gamma k_{a0} - \gamma k_{b0} - k_{da} k_{db} + \gamma k_1 P_1 s_1 - \gamma k_3 P_3 s_1 - \gamma k_2 P_2 s_2 + \gamma k_4 P_4 s_2 - \right. \right. \right. \\
& \sqrt{\left( (-\gamma k_{a0} + \gamma k_{b0} + k_{da} k_{db} - \gamma k_1 P_1 s_1 + \gamma k_3 P_3 s_1 + \gamma k_2 P_2 s_2 - \gamma k_4 P_4 s_2)^2 - \right.} \\
& \left. \left. 4 \gamma k_{da} (-k_{a0} k_{db} - k_1 k_{db} P_1 s_1 - k_4 k_{db} P_4 s_2) \right) \right), \\
& b \rightarrow \frac{1}{k_{db}} \left( -\frac{k_{a0}}{2} + \frac{k_{b0}}{2} - \frac{k_{da} k_{db}}{2 \gamma} - \frac{1}{2} k_1 P_1 s_1 + \frac{1}{2} k_3 P_3 s_1 + \frac{1}{2} k_2 P_2 s_2 - \frac{1}{2} k_4 P_4 s_2 - \frac{1}{2 \gamma} \right. \\
& \left. \left( \sqrt{\left( (-\gamma k_{a0} + \gamma k_{b0} + k_{da} k_{db} - \gamma k_1 P_1 s_1 + \gamma k_3 P_3 s_1 + \gamma k_2 P_2 s_2 - \gamma k_4 P_4 s_2)^2 - \right. \right. \right. \\
& \left. \left. 4 \gamma k_{da} (-k_{a0} k_{db} - k_1 k_{db} P_1 s_1 - k_4 k_{db} P_4 s_2) \right) \right) \right) \left. \right\} \left. \right\} \\
& \left\{ a \rightarrow \frac{1}{2 \gamma k_{da}} \left( \gamma k_{a0} - \gamma k_{b0} - k_{da} k_{db} + \gamma k_1 P_1 s_1 - \gamma k_3 P_3 s_1 - \gamma k_2 P_2 s_2 + \gamma k_4 P_4 s_2 + \right. \right. \\
& \sqrt{\left( (-\gamma k_{a0} + \gamma k_{b0} + k_{da} k_{db} - \gamma k_1 P_1 s_1 + \gamma k_3 P_3 s_1 + \gamma k_2 P_2 s_2 - \gamma k_4 P_4 s_2)^2 - \right.} \\
& \left. \left. 4 \gamma k_{da} (-k_{a0} k_{db} - k_1 k_{db} P_1 s_1 - k_4 k_{db} P_4 s_2) \right) \right), \\
& b \rightarrow \frac{1}{k_{db}} \left( -\frac{k_{a0}}{2} + \frac{k_{b0}}{2} - \frac{k_{da} k_{db}}{2 \gamma} - \frac{1}{2} k_1 P_1 s_1 + \frac{1}{2} k_3 P_3 s_1 + \frac{1}{2} k_2 P_2 s_2 - \frac{1}{2} k_4 P_4 s_2 + \frac{1}{2 \gamma} \right. \\
& \left. \left( \sqrt{\left( (-\gamma k_{a0} + \gamma k_{b0} + k_{da} k_{db} - \gamma k_1 P_1 s_1 + \gamma k_3 P_3 s_1 + \gamma k_2 P_2 s_2 - \gamma k_4 P_4 s_2)^2 - \right. \right. \right. \\
& \left. \left. 4 \gamma k_{da} (-k_{a0} k_{db} - k_1 k_{db} P_1 s_1 - k_4 k_{db} P_4 s_2) \right) \right) \right) \left. \right\} \left. \right\}
\end{aligned}$$

Accounting for the positivity of a and b we can write the steady state expressions for a and b as,

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{In[ ]} := & \text{aSS} = \text{FullSimplify} \left[ \frac{1}{2 \gamma k_{da}} \left( \gamma k_{a0} - \gamma k_{b0} - k_{da} k_{db} + \gamma k_1 P_1 s_1 - \gamma k_3 P_3 s_1 - \gamma k_2 P_2 s_2 + \gamma k_4 P_4 s_2 + \right. \right. \\
& \left. \sqrt{\left( (-\gamma k_{a0} + \gamma k_{b0} + k_{da} k_{db} - \gamma k_1 P_1 s_1 + \gamma k_3 P_3 s_1 + \gamma k_2 P_2 s_2 - \gamma k_4 P_4 s_2)^2 - \right. \right. \\
& \left. \left. 4 \gamma k_{da} (-k_{a0} k_{db} - k_1 k_{db} P_1 s_1 - k_4 k_{db} P_4 s_2) \right) \right) \left. \right] \\
\text{Out[ ]} = & \frac{1}{2 \gamma k_{da}} \left( -k_{da} k_{db} + \gamma (k_{a0} - k_{b0} + (k_1 P_1 - k_3 P_3) s_1 + (-k_2 P_2 + k_4 P_4) s_2) + \right. \\
& \left. \sqrt{\left( 4 \gamma k_{da} k_{db} (k_{a0} + k_1 P_1 s_1 + k_4 P_4 s_2) + \right. \right. \\
& \left. \left. (k_{da} k_{db} + \gamma (-k_{a0} + k_{b0} + (-k_1 P_1 + k_3 P_3) s_1 + (k_2 P_2 - k_4 P_4) s_2))^2 \right) \right)
\end{aligned}$$

In[\*]:= **bSS =**

$$\text{FullSimplify}\left[\frac{1}{k_{db}}\left(-\frac{k_{a0}}{2} + \frac{k_{b0}}{2} - \frac{k_{da} k_{db}}{2\gamma} - \frac{1}{2}k_1 P_1 s_1 + \frac{1}{2}k_3 P_3 s_1 + \frac{1}{2}k_2 P_2 s_2 - \frac{1}{2}k_4 P_4 s_2 + \frac{1}{2\gamma}\right.\right. \\ \left.\left. \left(\sqrt{\left((- \gamma k_{a0} + \gamma k_{b0} + k_{da} k_{db} - \gamma k_1 P_1 s_1 + \gamma k_3 P_3 s_1 + \gamma k_2 P_2 s_2 - \gamma k_4 P_4 s_2\right)^2 - 4 \gamma k_{da} (-k_{a0} k_{db} - k_1 k_{db} P_1 s_1 - k_4 k_{db} P_4 s_2)\right)}\right)\right] \\ \text{Out[*]} = \frac{1}{2 \gamma k_{db}} \left( -k_{da} k_{db} + \gamma (-k_{a0} + k_{b0} + (-k_1 P_1 + k_3 P_3) s_1 + (k_2 P_2 - k_4 P_4) s_2) + \right. \\ \left. \sqrt{\left(4 \gamma k_{da} k_{db} (k_{a0} + k_1 P_1 s_1 + k_4 P_4 s_2) + (k_{da} k_{db} + \gamma (-k_{a0} + k_{b0} + (-k_1 P_1 + k_3 P_3) s_1 + (k_2 P_2 - k_4 P_4) s_2))^2\right)} \right)$$

The expression for c in steady state is,

In[\*]:= **cSS = FullSimplify[\gamma \* aSS \* bSS / k<sub>dc</sub>]**

$$\text{Out[*]} = \frac{1}{2 \gamma k_{dc}} \left( k_{da} k_{db} + \gamma (k_{a0} + k_{b0} + (k_1 P_1 + k_3 P_3) s_1 + (k_2 P_2 + k_4 P_4) s_2) - \right. \\ \left. \sqrt{\left(4 \gamma k_{da} k_{db} (k_{a0} + k_1 P_1 s_1 + k_4 P_4 s_2) + (k_{da} k_{db} + \gamma (-k_{a0} + k_{b0} + (-k_1 P_1 + k_3 P_3) s_1 + (k_2 P_2 - k_4 P_4) s_2))^2\right)} \right)$$

And finally the steady state expressions for m is-

In[\*]:= **mSS = FullSimplify[(k<sub>m0</sub> + P<sub>5</sub> \* k<sub>5</sub> \* aSS + P<sub>6</sub> \* k<sub>6</sub> \* cSS + P<sub>7</sub> \* k<sub>7</sub> \* bSS) / k<sub>dm</sub>]**

$$\text{Out[*]} = \frac{1}{2 k_{dm}} \left( 2 k_{m0} + \frac{1}{\gamma k_{dc}} k_6 P_6 \left( k_{da} k_{db} + \gamma (k_{a0} + k_{b0} + (k_1 P_1 + k_3 P_3) s_1 + (k_2 P_2 + k_4 P_4) s_2) - \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. \sqrt{\left(4 \gamma k_{da} k_{db} (k_{a0} + k_1 P_1 s_1 + k_4 P_4 s_2) + (k_{da} k_{db} + \gamma (-k_{a0} + k_{b0} + (-k_1 P_1 + k_3 P_3) s_1 + (k_2 P_2 - k_4 P_4) s_2))^2\right)} \right) + \right. \\ \left. \frac{1}{\gamma k_{db}} k_7 P_7 \left( -k_{da} k_{db} + \gamma (-k_{a0} + k_{b0} + (-k_1 P_1 + k_3 P_3) s_1 + (k_2 P_2 - k_4 P_4) s_2) + \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. \sqrt{\left(4 \gamma k_{da} k_{db} (k_{a0} + k_1 P_1 s_1 + k_4 P_4 s_2) + (k_{da} k_{db} + \gamma (-k_{a0} + k_{b0} + (-k_1 P_1 + k_3 P_3) s_1 + (k_2 P_2 - k_4 P_4) s_2))^2\right)} \right) + \right. \\ \left. \frac{1}{\gamma k_{da}} k_5 P_5 \left( -k_{da} k_{db} + \gamma (k_{a0} - k_{b0} + (k_1 P_1 - k_3 P_3) s_1 + (-k_2 P_2 + k_4 P_4) s_2) + \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. \sqrt{\left(4 \gamma k_{da} k_{db} (k_{a0} + k_1 P_1 s_1 + k_4 P_4 s_2) + (k_{da} k_{db} + \gamma (-k_{a0} + k_{b0} + (-k_1 P_1 + k_3 P_3) s_1 + (k_2 P_2 - k_4 P_4) s_2))^2\right)} \right) \right)$$

Now we set all reaction rates to 1 and determine the expressions for a,b,c and m in steady state for further analysis-

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In[*]:= dadt = 1 + P1 * 1 * s1 + P4 * 1 * s2 - 1 * a - 1 * a * b
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dbdt = 1 + P3 * 1 * s1 + P2 * 1 * s2 - 1 * b - 1 * a * b
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Solve[{dadt == 0, dbdt == 0}, {a, b}]
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Out[*]= 1 - a - a b + P1 s1 + P4 s2
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Out[*]= 1 - b - a b + P3 s1 + P2 s2
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Out[*]= { { a →  $\frac{1}{2} \times \left( -1 + P_1 s_1 - P_3 s_1 - P_2 s_2 + P_4 s_2 - \sqrt{-4 \times (-1 - P_1 s_1 - P_4 s_2) + (1 - P_1 s_1 + P_3 s_1 + P_2 s_2 - P_4 s_2)^2} \right)$ , b →  $\frac{1}{2} \times \left( -1 - P_1 s_1 + P_3 s_1 + P_2 s_2 - P_4 s_2 - \sqrt{-4 \times (-1 - P_1 s_1 - P_4 s_2) + (1 - P_1 s_1 + P_3 s_1 + P_2 s_2 - P_4 s_2)^2} \right)$  }, { a →  $\frac{1}{2} \times \left( -1 + P_1 s_1 - P_3 s_1 - P_2 s_2 + P_4 s_2 + \sqrt{-4 \times (-1 - P_1 s_1 - P_4 s_2) + (1 - P_1 s_1 + P_3 s_1 + P_2 s_2 - P_4 s_2)^2} \right)$ , b →  $\frac{1}{2} \times \left( -1 - P_1 s_1 + P_3 s_1 + P_2 s_2 - P_4 s_2 + \sqrt{-4 \times (-1 - P_1 s_1 - P_4 s_2) + (1 - P_1 s_1 + P_3 s_1 + P_2 s_2 - P_4 s_2)^2} \right)$  } }
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Out[*]= { { a →  $\frac{1}{2} \times \left( -1 + P_1 s_1 - P_3 s_1 - P_2 s_2 + P_4 s_2 - \sqrt{-4 \times (-1 - P_1 s_1 - P_4 s_2) + (1 - P_1 s_1 + P_3 s_1 + P_2 s_2 - P_4 s_2)^2} \right)$ , b →  $\frac{1}{2} \times \left( -1 - P_1 s_1 + P_3 s_1 + P_2 s_2 - P_4 s_2 - \sqrt{-4 \times (-1 - P_1 s_1 - P_4 s_2) + (1 - P_1 s_1 + P_3 s_1 + P_2 s_2 - P_4 s_2)^2} \right)$  }, { a →  $\frac{1}{2} \times \left( -1 + P_1 s_1 - P_3 s_1 - P_2 s_2 + P_4 s_2 + \sqrt{-4 \times (-1 - P_1 s_1 - P_4 s_2) + (1 - P_1 s_1 + P_3 s_1 + P_2 s_2 - P_4 s_2)^2} \right)$ , b →  $\frac{1}{2} \times \left( -1 - P_1 s_1 + P_3 s_1 + P_2 s_2 - P_4 s_2 + \sqrt{-4 \times (-1 - P_1 s_1 - P_4 s_2) + (1 - P_1 s_1 + P_3 s_1 + P_2 s_2 - P_4 s_2)^2} \right)$  } }
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The steady state expressions are,

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In[*]:= aP = FullSimplify[ $\frac{1}{2} \times \left( -1 + P_1 s_1 - P_3 s_1 - P_2 s_2 + \right.$ 
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 $\left. P_4 s_2 + \sqrt{-4 \times (-1 - P_1 s_1 - P_4 s_2) + (1 - P_1 s_1 + P_3 s_1 + P_2 s_2 - P_4 s_2)^2} \right)$ 
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Out[*]=  $\frac{1}{2} \times \left( -1 + P_1 s_1 - P_3 s_1 - P_2 s_2 + P_4 s_2 + \sqrt{(1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)^2 + 4 \times (1 + P_1 s_1 + P_4 s_2)} \right)$ 
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$$\text{In}[*]:= \text{bP} = \text{FullSimplify}\left[\frac{1}{2} \times \left(-1 - P_1 s_1 + P_3 s_1 + P_2 s_2 - P_4 s_2 + \sqrt{-4 \times (-1 - P_1 s_1 - P_4 s_2) + (1 - P_1 s_1 + P_3 s_1 + P_2 s_2 - P_4 s_2)^2}\right)\right]$$

$$\text{Out}[*]= \frac{1}{2} \times \left(-1 - P_1 s_1 + P_3 s_1 + P_2 s_2 - P_4 s_2 + \sqrt{(1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)^2 + 4 \times (1 + P_1 s_1 + P_4 s_2)}\right)$$

The steady state expressions for c is,

$$\text{In}[*]:= \text{cP} = \text{FullSimplify}[\text{aP} * \text{bP}]$$

$$\text{Out}[*]= \frac{1}{2} \times \left(3 + P_1 s_1 + P_3 s_1 + P_2 s_2 + P_4 s_2 - \sqrt{(1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)^2 + 4 \times (1 + P_1 s_1 + P_4 s_2)}\right)$$

And, finally the expression for the output m-

$$\text{In}[*]:= \text{mP} = \text{FullSimplify}[1 + P_5 * 1 * \text{aP} + P_6 * 1 * \text{cP} + P_7 * 1 * \text{bP}]$$

$$\text{Out}[*]= \frac{1}{2} \times \left(2 + P_6 \left(3 + P_1 s_1 + P_3 s_1 + P_2 s_2 + P_4 s_2 - \sqrt{(1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)^2 + 4 \times (1 + P_1 s_1 + P_4 s_2)}\right) + P_7 \left(-1 - P_1 s_1 + P_3 s_1 + P_2 s_2 - P_4 s_2 + \sqrt{(1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)^2 + 4 \times (1 + P_1 s_1 + P_4 s_2)}\right) + P_5 \left(-1 + P_1 s_1 - P_3 s_1 - P_2 s_2 + P_4 s_2 + \sqrt{(1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)^2 + 4 \times (1 + P_1 s_1 + P_4 s_2)}\right)\right)$$

Expression for m only when one input is present,

$$\text{In}[*]:= \text{mP1} = \text{FullSimplify}[\text{mP} /. s_2 \rightarrow 0]$$

$$\text{Out}[*]= \frac{1}{2} \times \left(2 + P_6 \left(3 + P_1 s_1 + P_3 s_1 - \sqrt{4 + 4 P_1 s_1 + (1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1)^2}\right) + P_5 \left(-1 + P_1 s_1 - P_3 s_1 + \sqrt{4 + 4 P_1 s_1 + (1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1)^2}\right) + P_7 \left(-1 - P_1 s_1 + P_3 s_1 + \sqrt{4 + 4 P_1 s_1 + (1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1)^2}\right)\right)$$

$$\text{In}[*]:= \text{mP2} = \text{FullSimplify}[\text{mP} /. s_1 \rightarrow 0]$$

$$\text{Out}[*]= \frac{1}{2} \times \left(2 + 3 P_6 - P_7 + P_2 (P_6 + P_7) s_2 - (P_6 - P_7) \left(-P_4 s_2 + \sqrt{5 + 2 (P_2 + P_4) s_2 + (P_2 - P_4)^2 s_2^2}\right) + P_5 \left(-1 + (-P_2 + P_4) s_2 + \sqrt{5 + 2 (P_2 + P_4) s_2 + (P_2 - P_4)^2 s_2^2}\right)\right)$$

Derivatives

In[\*]:= **m<sub>1</sub> = FullSimplify[D[mP1, s<sub>1</sub>]]**

$$\text{Out[*]} = \frac{1}{2} \left( P_6 \left( P_1 + P_3 + \frac{-P_1 - P_3 - (P_1 - P_3)^2 s_1}{\sqrt{4 + 4 P_1 s_1 + (1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1)^2}} \right) + \right. \\ \left. P_5 \left( P_1 - P_3 + \frac{P_1 + P_3 + (P_1 - P_3)^2 s_1}{\sqrt{4 + 4 P_1 s_1 + (1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1)^2}} \right) + \right. \\ \left. P_7 \left( -P_1 + P_3 + \frac{P_1 + P_3 + (P_1 - P_3)^2 s_1}{\sqrt{4 + 4 P_1 s_1 + (1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1)^2}} \right) \right)$$

In[\*]:= **m<sub>2</sub> = FullSimplify[D[mP2, s<sub>2</sub>]]**

$$\text{Out[*]} = \frac{1}{2} \left( P_2 (P_6 + P_7) - (P_6 - P_7) \left( -P_4 + \frac{P_2 + P_4 + (P_2 - P_4)^2 s_2}{\sqrt{5 + 2 (P_2 + P_4) s_2 + (P_2 - P_4)^2 s_2^2}} \right) + \right. \\ \left. P_5 \left( -P_2 + P_4 + \frac{P_2 + P_4 + (P_2 - P_4)^2 s_2}{\sqrt{5 + 2 (P_2 + P_4) s_2 + (P_2 - P_4)^2 s_2^2}} \right) \right)$$

In[\*]:= **m<sub>12</sub> = FullSimplify[D[mP, s<sub>1</sub>] + D[mP, s<sub>2</sub>]]**

$$\text{Out[*]} = \frac{1}{2} \left( P_6 \left( P_1 + P_3 - \frac{4 P_1 + 2 (-P_1 + P_3) (1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)}{2 \sqrt{(1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)^2 + 4 \times (1 + P_1 s_1 + P_4 s_2)}} \right) + \right. \\ P_5 \left( P_1 - P_3 + \frac{4 P_1 + 2 (-P_1 + P_3) (1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)}{2 \sqrt{(1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)^2 + 4 \times (1 + P_1 s_1 + P_4 s_2)}} \right) + \\ P_7 \left( -P_1 + P_3 + \frac{4 P_1 + 2 (-P_1 + P_3) (1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)}{2 \sqrt{(1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)^2 + 4 \times (1 + P_1 s_1 + P_4 s_2)}} \right) + \\ P_6 \left( P_2 + P_4 - \frac{4 P_4 + 2 (P_2 - P_4) (1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)}{2 \sqrt{(1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)^2 + 4 \times (1 + P_1 s_1 + P_4 s_2)}} \right) + \\ P_7 \left( P_2 - P_4 + \frac{4 P_4 + 2 (P_2 - P_4) (1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)}{2 \sqrt{(1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)^2 + 4 \times (1 + P_1 s_1 + P_4 s_2)}} \right) + \\ \left. P_5 \left( -P_2 + P_4 + \frac{4 P_4 + 2 (P_2 - P_4) (1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)}{2 \sqrt{(1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)^2 + 4 \times (1 + P_1 s_1 + P_4 s_2)}} \right) \right)$$

## Surface maps for networks B,C,D

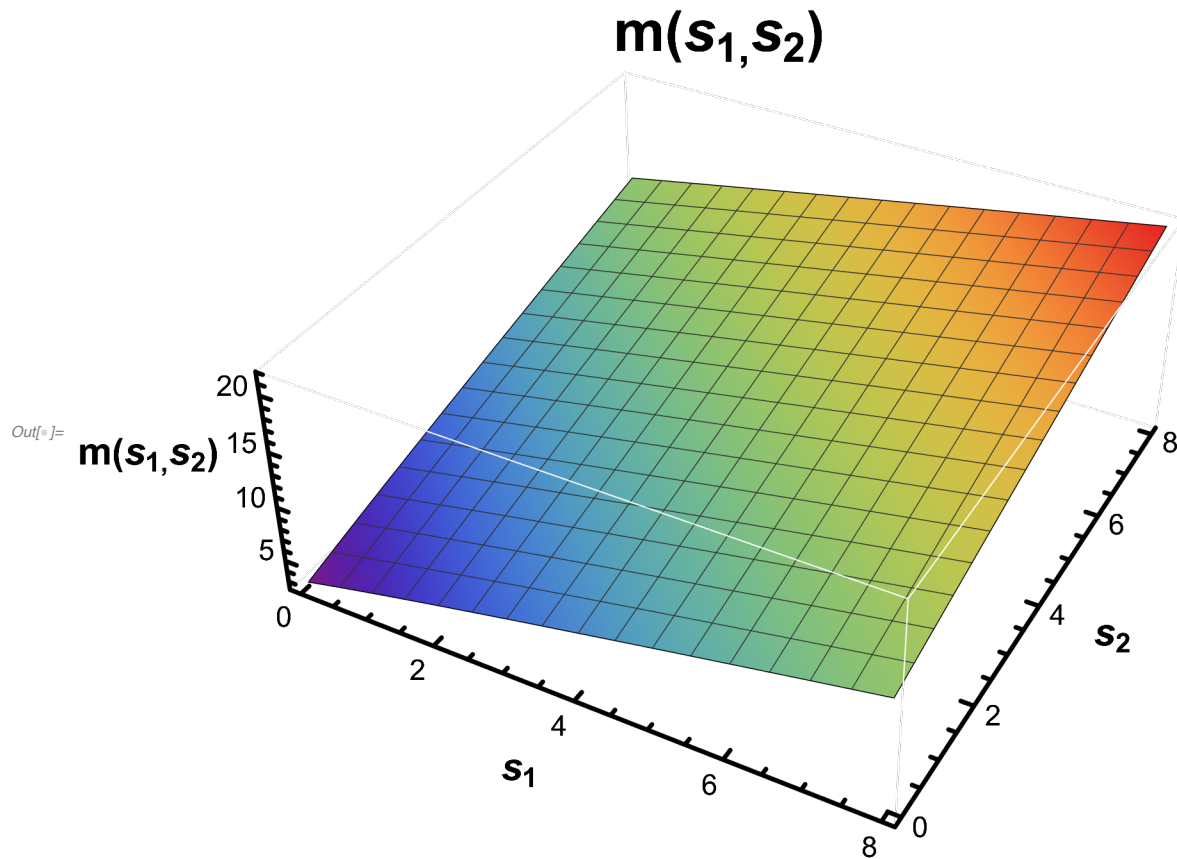
### Network B

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{In[*]} := & \quad P_1 = 1; \\
 & \quad P_2 = 1; \\
 & \quad P_3 = 1; \\
 & \quad P_4 = 1; \\
 & \quad P_5 = 1; \\
 & \quad P_6 = 1; \\
 & \quad P_7 = 1; \\
 \text{mPB} = & \quad \frac{1}{2} \times \left( 2 + P_6 \left( 3 + P_1 s_1 + P_3 s_1 + P_2 s_2 + P_4 s_2 - \right. \right. \\
 & \quad \left. \sqrt{(1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)^2 + 4 \times (1 + P_1 s_1 + P_4 s_2)} \right) + P_7 \left( -1 - P_1 s_1 + P_3 s_1 + \right. \\
 & \quad \left. P_2 s_2 - P_4 s_2 + \sqrt{(1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)^2 + 4 \times (1 + P_1 s_1 + P_4 s_2)} \right) + P_5 \left( -1 + \right. \\
 & \quad \left. P_1 s_1 - P_3 s_1 - P_2 s_2 + P_4 s_2 + \sqrt{(1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)^2 + 4 \times (1 + P_1 s_1 + P_4 s_2)} \right) \left. \right) \\
 \text{Out[*]} = & \quad \frac{1}{2} \times \left( 3 + 2 s_1 + 2 s_2 + \sqrt{1 + 4 \times (1 + s_1 + s_2)} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

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In[ ]:= Plot3D[mPB, {s1, 0, 8}, {s2, 0, 8}, AxesLabel →
  {Style["s1", Bold, 20, FontColor → Black], Style["s2", Bold, 20, FontColor → Black],
   Style["m(s1,s2)", Bold, 20, FontColor → Black]},
  PlotLabel → Style["m(s1,s2)", Bold, 30, FontColor → Black],
  ColorFunction → "Rainbow", AxesStyle → Thickness[0.005], BoxStyle → GrayLevel[2],
  TicksStyle → Directive[Black, 15], ImageSize → Large, PlotRange → Full]

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# Network C

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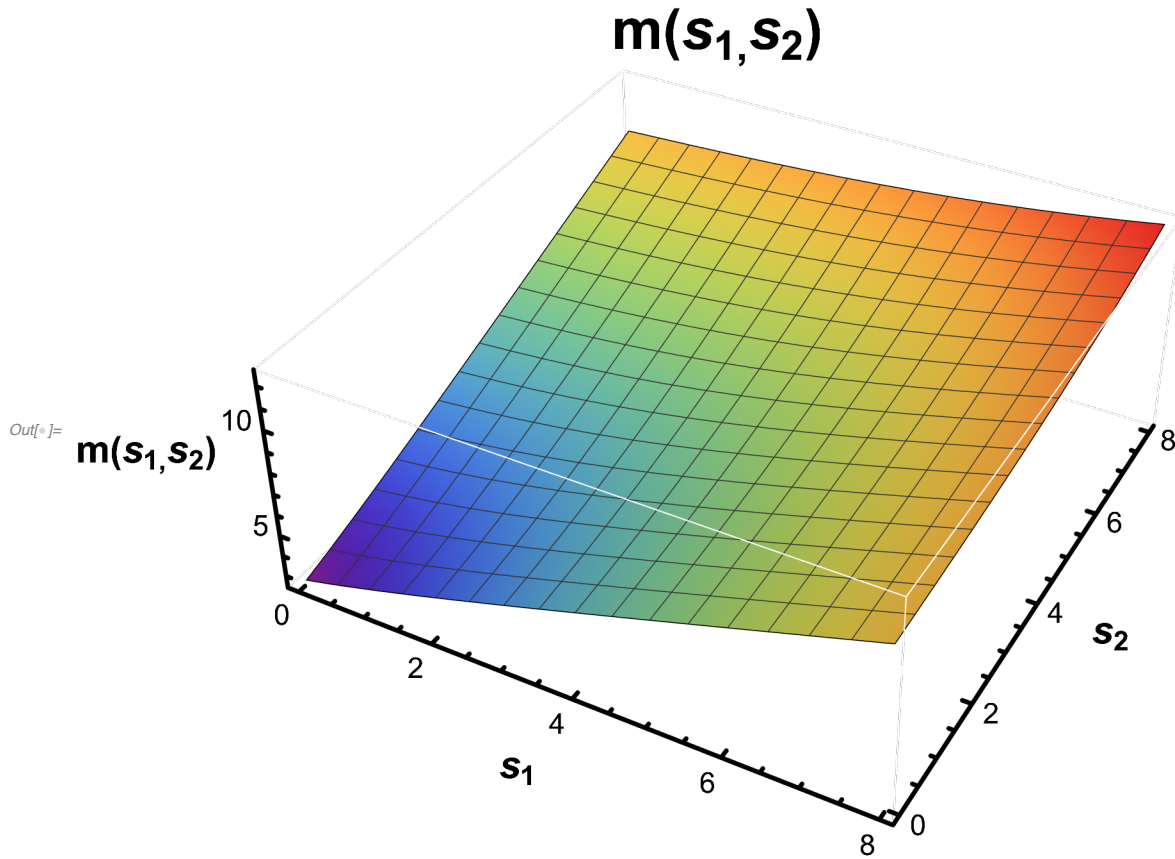
In[*]:= P1 = 1;
        P2 = 1;
        P3 = 0;
        P4 = 0;
        P5 = 1;
        P6 = 1;
        P7 = 1;
mPC =  $\frac{1}{2} \times \left( 2 + P_6 \left( 3 + P_1 s_1 + P_3 s_1 + P_2 s_2 + P_4 s_2 - \right. \right.$ 
 $\left. \sqrt{(1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)^2 + 4 \times (1 + P_1 s_1 + P_4 s_2)} \right) + P_7 \left( -1 - P_1 s_1 + P_3 s_1 + \right.$ 
 $P_2 s_2 - P_4 s_2 + \sqrt{(1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)^2 + 4 \times (1 + P_1 s_1 + P_4 s_2)} \right) + P_5 \left( -1 + \right.$ 
 $\left. P_1 s_1 - P_3 s_1 - P_2 s_2 + P_4 s_2 + \sqrt{(1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)^2 + 4 \times (1 + P_1 s_1 + P_4 s_2)} \right) \left. \right)$ 
Out[*]:=  $\frac{1}{2} \times \left( 3 + s_1 + s_2 + \sqrt{4 \times (1 + s_1) + (1 - s_1 + s_2)^2} \right)$ 

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In[ ]:= Plot3D[mPC, {s1, 0, 8}, {s2, 0, 8}, AxesLabel →
  {Style["s1", Bold, 20, FontColor → Black], Style["s2", Bold, 20, FontColor → Black],
   Style["m(s1,s2)", Bold, 20, FontColor → Black]},
  PlotLabel → Style["m(s1,s2)", Bold, 30, FontColor → Black],
  ColorFunction → "Rainbow", AxesStyle → Thickness[0.005], BoxStyle → GrayLevel[2],
  TicksStyle → Directive[Black, 15], ImageSize → Large, PlotRange → Full]

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# Network D

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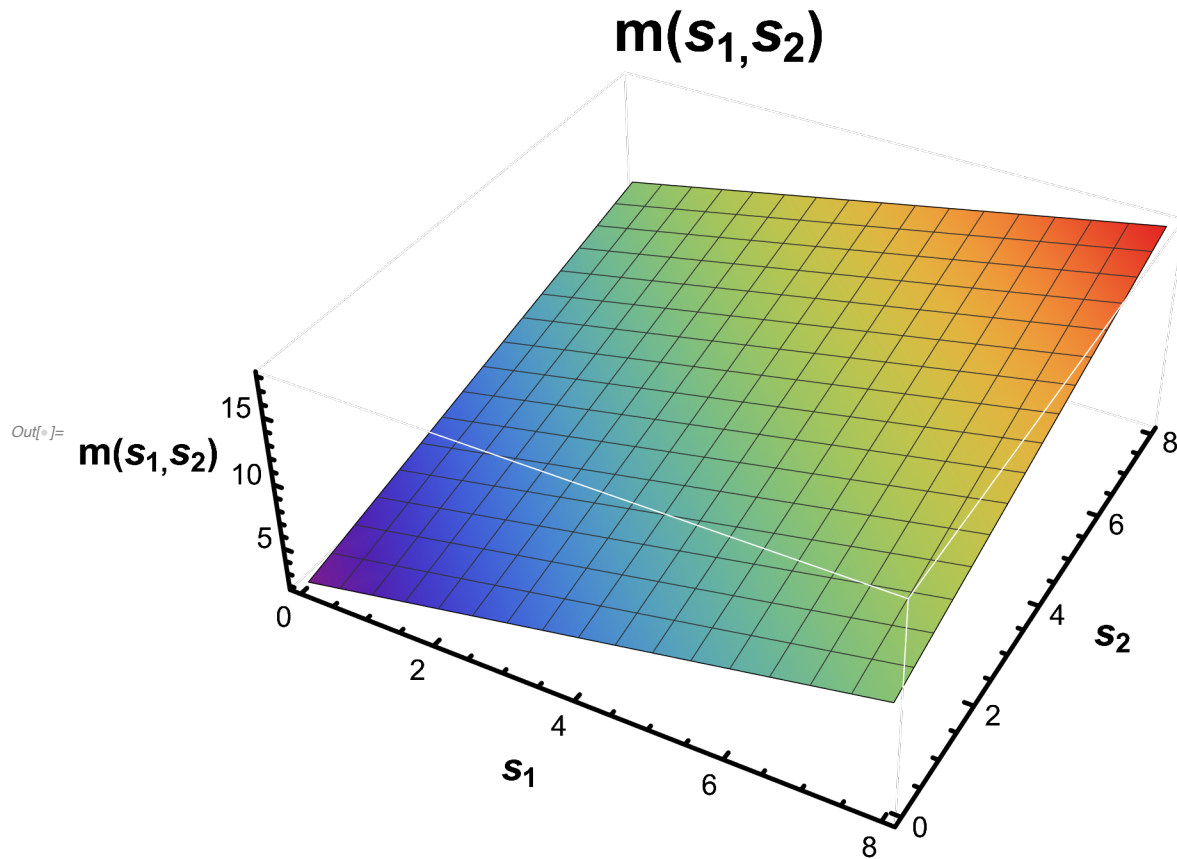
In[ ]:= P1 = 1;
        P2 = 1;
        P3 = 0;
        P4 = 1;
        P5 = 1;
        P6 = 1;
        P7 = 0;
        mPD =  $\frac{1}{2} \times \left( 2 + P_6 \left( 3 + P_1 s_1 + P_3 s_1 + P_2 s_2 + P_4 s_2 - \right. \right.$ 
 $\left. \sqrt{(1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)^2 + 4 \times (1 + P_1 s_1 + P_4 s_2)} \right) + P_7 \left( -1 - P_1 s_1 + P_3 s_1 + \right.$ 
 $P_2 s_2 - P_4 s_2 + \sqrt{(1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)^2 + 4 \times (1 + P_1 s_1 + P_4 s_2)} \right) + P_5 \left( -1 + \right.$ 
 $\left. P_1 s_1 - P_3 s_1 - P_2 s_2 + P_4 s_2 + \sqrt{(1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)^2 + 4 \times (1 + P_1 s_1 + P_4 s_2)} \right) \left. \right)$ 
        Out[ ]:=  $\frac{1}{2} \times (4 + 2 s_1 + 2 s_2)$ 

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In[ ]:= Plot3D[mPD, {s1, 0, 8}, {s2, 0, 8}, AxesLabel →
  {Style["s1", Bold, 20, FontColor → Black], Style["s2", Bold, 20, FontColor → Black],
  Style["m(s1,s2)", Bold, 20, FontColor → Black]},
  PlotLabel → Style["m(s1,s2)", Bold, 30, FontColor → Black],
  ColorFunction → "Rainbow", AxesStyle → Thickness[0.005], BoxStyle → GrayLevel[2],
  TicksStyle → Directive[Black, 15], ImageSize → Large, PlotRange → Full]

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## Successful network value antagonism

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This is the code to test the successful network for value antagonism -

```

npts = 10 000; (*number of random {s1,s2} pairs
over which the antagonism condition is verified*)
smax = 100; (*maximum value of s1 and s2*)
nedges = 7; (*maximum number of edges*)
Print["Successful binding networks for value antagonism-\n"]
For[i = 0, i < 2 ^ nedges, i++, P1 = PadLeft[IntegerDigits[i, 2], nedges][[1]];
P2 = PadLeft[IntegerDigits[i, 2], nedges][[2]];
P3 = PadLeft[IntegerDigits[i, 2], nedges][[3]];
P4 = PadLeft[IntegerDigits[i, 2], nedges][[4]];
P5 = PadLeft[IntegerDigits[i, 2], nedges][[5]];
P6 = PadLeft[IntegerDigits[i, 2], nedges][[6]];
P7 = PadLeft[IntegerDigits[i, 2], nedges][[7]];
For[j = 0, j < npts, j++, s1 = smax * RandomReal[];
s2 = smax * RandomReal[];
mP =  $\frac{1}{2} \times \left( 2 + P_6 \left( 3 + P_1 s_1 + P_3 s_1 + P_2 s_2 + P_4 s_2 - \right. \right.$ 
 $\left. \sqrt{(1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)^2 + 4 \times (1 + P_1 s_1 + P_4 s_2)} \right) + P_7 \left( -1 - P_1 s_1 + \right.$ 
 $\left. P_3 s_1 + P_2 s_2 - P_4 s_2 + \sqrt{(1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)^2 + 4 \times (1 + P_1 s_1 + P_4 s_2)} \right) +$ 
 $P_5 \left( -1 + P_1 s_1 - P_3 s_1 - P_2 s_2 + P_4 s_2 + \right.$ 
 $\left. \sqrt{(1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)^2 + 4 \times (1 + P_1 s_1 + P_4 s_2)} \right) \Bigg);$ 
m00 =  $\frac{1}{2} \times \left( 2 + (-1 + \sqrt{5}) P_5 - (-3 + \sqrt{5}) P_6 + (-1 + \sqrt{5}) P_7 \right);$ 
mP1 =  $\frac{1}{2} \times \left( 2 + P_6 \left( 3 + P_1 s_1 + P_3 s_1 - \sqrt{4 + 4 P_1 s_1 + (1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1)^2} \right) + \right.$ 
 $P_5 \left( -1 + P_1 s_1 - P_3 s_1 + \sqrt{4 + 4 P_1 s_1 + (1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1)^2} \right) +$ 
 $\left. P_7 \left( -1 - P_1 s_1 + P_3 s_1 + \sqrt{4 + 4 P_1 s_1 + (1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1)^2} \right) \right);$ 
mP2 =  $\frac{1}{2} \times \left( 2 + 3 P_6 - P_7 + P_2 (P_6 + P_7) s_2 - (P_6 - P_7) \left( -P_4 s_2 + \sqrt{5 + 2 (P_2 + P_4) s_2 + (P_2 - P_4)^2 s_2^2} \right) + \right.$ 
 $\left. P_5 \left( -1 + (-P_2 + P_4) s_2 + \sqrt{5 + 2 (P_2 + P_4) s_2 + (P_2 - P_4)^2 s_2^2} \right) \right);$ 
If[mP1 > m00 && mP2 > m00 && mP < Min[mP1, mP2],
Print["P1=", P1, ", P2=", P2, ", P3=", P3, ", P4=", P4, ", P5=", P5, ", P6=", P6,
", P7=", P7, ", Total edges=", Total[IntegerDigits[i, 2]]] && Break[], 0]]]

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Successful binding networks for value antagonism-

P<sub>1</sub>=0, P<sub>2</sub>=0, P<sub>3</sub>=1, P<sub>4</sub>=1, P<sub>5</sub>=1, P<sub>6</sub>=0, P<sub>7</sub>=1, Total edges=4

P<sub>1</sub>=1, P<sub>2</sub>=1, P<sub>3</sub>=0, P<sub>4</sub>=0, P<sub>5</sub>=1, P<sub>6</sub>=0, P<sub>7</sub>=1, Total edges=4

This is the surface map for the successful network-

```

P1 = 1;
P2 = 1;
P3 = 0;
P4 = 0;
P5 = 1;
P6 = 0;
P7 = 1;

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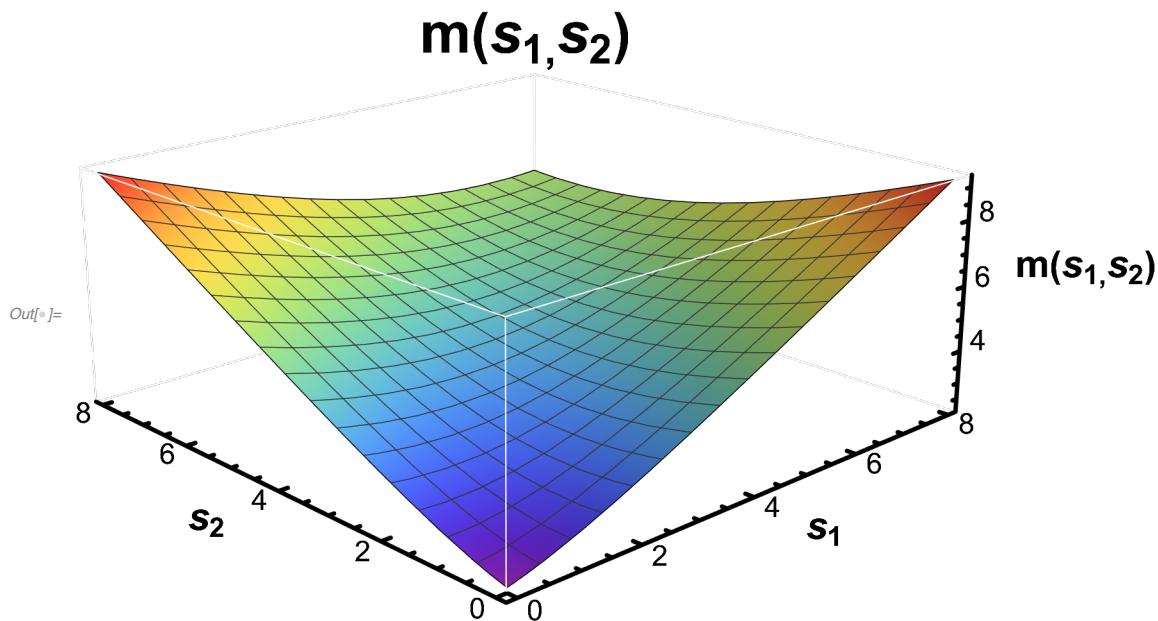
$$mPSV = \frac{1}{2} \times \left( 2 + P_6 \left( 3 + P_1 s_1 + P_3 s_1 + P_2 s_2 + P_4 s_2 - \sqrt{(1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)^2 + 4 \times (1 + P_1 s_1 + P_4 s_2)} \right) + P_7 \left( -1 - P_1 s_1 + P_3 s_1 + P_2 s_2 - P_4 s_2 + \sqrt{(1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)^2 + 4 \times (1 + P_1 s_1 + P_4 s_2)} \right) + P_5 \left( -1 + P_1 s_1 - P_3 s_1 - P_2 s_2 + P_4 s_2 + \sqrt{(1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)^2 + 4 \times (1 + P_1 s_1 + P_4 s_2)} \right) \right)$$

$$Out[*]= \sqrt{4 \times (1 + s_1) + (1 - s_1 + s_2)^2}$$

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Plot3D[mPSV, {s1, 0, 8}, {s2, 0, 8}, AxesLabel →
  {Style["s1", Bold, 20, FontColor → Black], Style["s2", Bold, 20, FontColor → Black],
   Style["m(s1,s2)", Bold, 20, FontColor → Black]},
  PlotLabel → Style["m(s1,s2)", Bold, 30, FontColor → Black],
  ColorFunction → "Rainbow", AxesStyle → Thickness[0.005], BoxStyle → GrayLevel[2],
  TicksStyle → Directive[Black, 15], ImageSize → Large, PlotRange → Full]

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# Successful network slope antagonism

## This is the code to test the successful network for slope antagonism-

```

npts = 10000; (*number of random {s1,s2} pairs
over which the antagonism condition is verified*)
smax = 100; (*maximum value of s1 and s2*)
nedges = 7; (*maximum number of edges*)
Print["Successful binding networks for slope antagonism-\n"]
For[i = 0, i < 2^nedges, i++, P1 = PadLeft[IntegerDigits[i, 2], nedges][[1]];
P2 = PadLeft[IntegerDigits[i, 2], nedges][[2]];
P3 = PadLeft[IntegerDigits[i, 2], nedges][[3]];
P4 = PadLeft[IntegerDigits[i, 2], nedges][[4]];
P5 = PadLeft[IntegerDigits[i, 2], nedges][[5]];
P6 = PadLeft[IntegerDigits[i, 2], nedges][[6]];
P7 = PadLeft[IntegerDigits[i, 2], nedges][[7]];
For[j = 0, j < npts, j++, s1 = smax * RandomReal[];
s2 = smax * RandomReal[];
m12 =  $\frac{1}{2} \left( P_6 \left( P_1 + P_3 - \frac{4 P_1 + 2 (-P_1 + P_3) (1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)}{2 \sqrt{(1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)^2 + 4 \times (1 + P_1 s_1 + P_4 s_2)}} \right) + \right.$ 
 $P_5 \left( P_1 - P_3 + \frac{4 P_1 + 2 (-P_1 + P_3) (1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)}{2 \sqrt{(1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)^2 + 4 \times (1 + P_1 s_1 + P_4 s_2)}} \right) +$ 
 $P_7 \left( -P_1 + P_3 + \frac{4 P_1 + 2 (-P_1 + P_3) (1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)}{2 \sqrt{(1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)^2 + 4 \times (1 + P_1 s_1 + P_4 s_2)}} \right) +$ 
 $P_6 \left( P_2 + P_4 - \frac{4 P_4 + 2 (P_2 - P_4) (1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)}{2 \sqrt{(1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)^2 + 4 \times (1 + P_1 s_1 + P_4 s_2)}} \right) +$ 
 $P_7 \left( P_2 - P_4 + \frac{4 P_4 + 2 (P_2 - P_4) (1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)}{2 \sqrt{(1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)^2 + 4 \times (1 + P_1 s_1 + P_4 s_2)}} \right) +$ 
 $P_5 \left( -P_2 + P_4 + \frac{4 P_4 + 2 (P_2 - P_4) (1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)}{2 \sqrt{(1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)^2 + 4 \times (1 + P_1 s_1 + P_4 s_2)}} \right) \Bigg);$ 
m00 =
0;
m1 =  $\frac{1}{2} \left( P_6 \left( P_1 + P_3 + \frac{-P_1 - P_3 - (P_1 - P_3)^2 s_1}{\sqrt{4 + 4 P_1 s_1 + (1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1)^2}} \right) + \right.$ 

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$$\begin{aligned}
& P_5 \left( P_1 - P_3 + \frac{P_1 + P_3 + (P_1 - P_3)^2 s_1}{\sqrt{4 + 4 P_1 s_1 + (1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1)^2}} \right) + \\
& P_7 \left( -P_1 + P_3 + \frac{P_1 + P_3 + (P_1 - P_3)^2 s_1}{\sqrt{4 + 4 P_1 s_1 + (1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1)^2}} \right) \Bigg); \\
m_2 = & \frac{1}{2} \left( P_2 (P_6 + P_7) - (P_6 - P_7) \left( -P_4 + \frac{P_2 + P_4 + (P_2 - P_4)^2 s_2}{\sqrt{5 + 2 (P_2 + P_4) s_2 + (P_2 - P_4)^2 s_2^2}} \right) + \right. \\
& \left. P_5 \left( -P_2 + P_4 + \frac{P_2 + P_4 + (P_2 - P_4)^2 s_2}{\sqrt{5 + 2 (P_2 + P_4) s_2 + (P_2 - P_4)^2 s_2^2}} \right) \right) \Bigg); \\
& \text{If}[m_1 > m_{00} \&\& m_2 > m_{00} \&\& m_{12} < \text{Min}[m_1, m_2], \text{Print}["P_1=", P_1, ", P_2=", P_2, \\
& ", P_3=", P_3, ", P_4=", P_4, ", P_5=", P_5, ", P_6=", P_6, ", P_7=", P_7, \\
& ", \text{Total edges}=", \text{Total}[\text{IntegerDigits}[i, 2]]] \&\& \text{Break}[], 0]]]
\end{aligned}$$

Successful binding networks for slope antagonism-

$P_1=0, P_2=0, P_3=1, P_4=1, P_5=1, P_6=0, P_7=1$ , Total edges=4

$P_1=0, P_2=1, P_3=1, P_4=0, P_5=0, P_6=1, P_7=0$ , Total edges=3

$P_1=1, P_2=0, P_3=0, P_4=1, P_5=0, P_6=1, P_7=0$ , Total edges=3

$P_1=1, P_2=1, P_3=0, P_4=0, P_5=1, P_6=0, P_7=1$ , Total edges=4

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In[ ]:= P1 = 0;
P2 = 1;
P3 = 1;
P4 = 0;
P5 = 0;
P6 = 1;
P7 = 0;

mPSS = FullSimplify[ $\frac{1}{2} \times \left( 2 + P_6 \left( 3 + P_1 s_1 + P_3 s_1 + P_2 s_2 + P_4 s_2 - \sqrt{(1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)^2 + 4 \times (1 + P_1 s_1 + P_4 s_2)} \right) + P_7 \left( -1 - P_1 s_1 + P_3 s_1 + P_2 s_2 - P_4 s_2 + \sqrt{(1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)^2 + 4 \times (1 + P_1 s_1 + P_4 s_2)} \right) + P_5 \left( -1 + P_1 s_1 - P_3 s_1 - P_2 s_2 + P_4 s_2 + \sqrt{(1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)^2 + 4 \times (1 + P_1 s_1 + P_4 s_2)} \right) \right) \Bigg]$ 

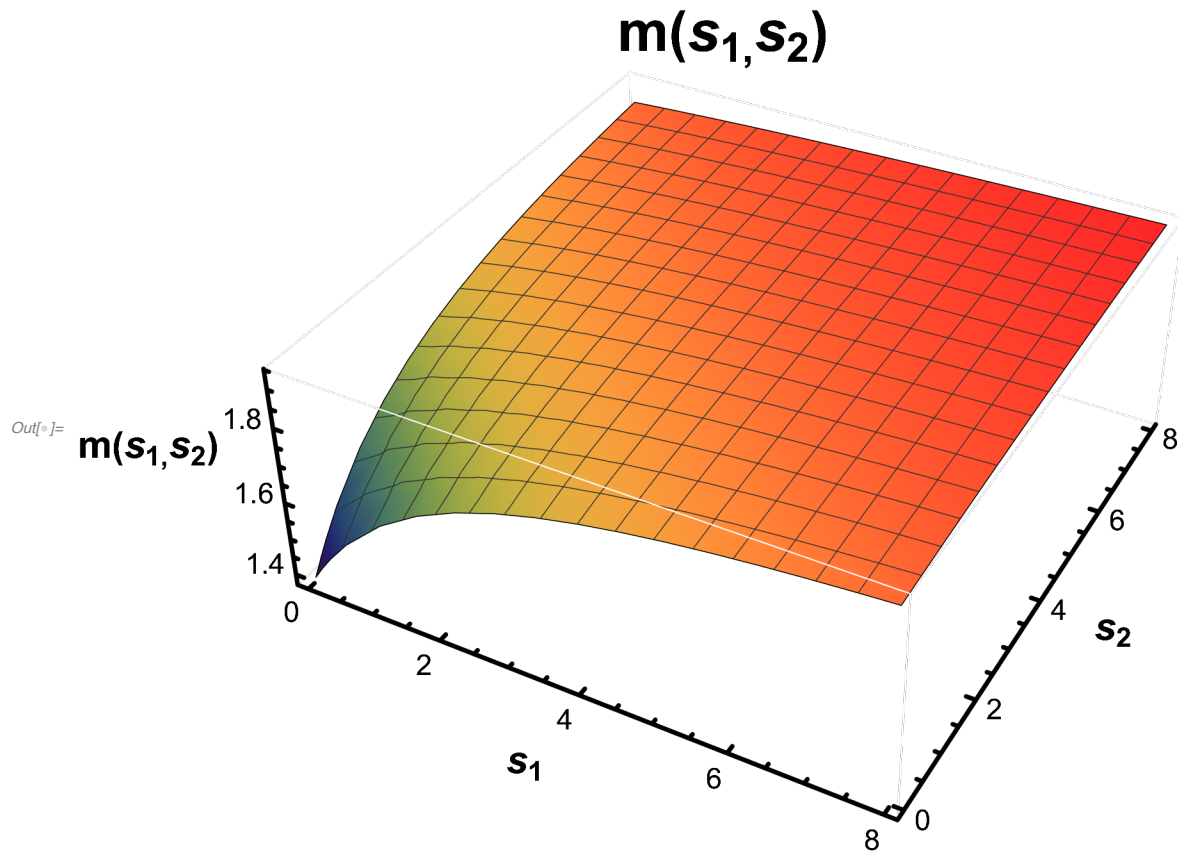
Out[ ]:=  $\frac{1}{2} \times \left( 5 + s_1 + s_2 - \sqrt{4 + (1 + s_1 + s_2)^2} \right)$ 

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In[ ]:= Plot3D[mPSS, {s1, 0, 8}, {s2, 0, 8}, AxesLabel →
  {Style["s1", Bold, 20, FontColor → Black], Style["s2", Bold, 20, FontColor → Black],
  Style["m(s1,s2)", Bold, 20, FontColor → Black]},
  PlotLabel → Style["m(s1,s2)", Bold, 30, FontColor → Black],
  ColorFunction → "Rainbow", AxesStyle → Thickness[0.005], BoxStyle → GrayLevel[2],
  TicksStyle → Directive[Black, 15], ImageSize → Large, PlotRange → Full]

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## Calculating $m_1$ , $m_2$ and $m_{12}$ for succesful slope antagonism

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In[*]:= P1 = 0;
P2 = 1;
P3 = 1;
P4 = 0;
P5 = 0;
P6 = 1;
P7 = 0;

mS1 = FullSimplify[ $\frac{1}{2} \left( P_6 \left( P_1 + P_3 + \frac{-P_1 - P_3 - (P_1 - P_3)^2 s_1}{\sqrt{4 + 4 P_1 s_1 + (1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1)^2}} \right) + \right.$ 
 $P_5 \left( P_1 - P_3 + \frac{P_1 + P_3 + (P_1 - P_3)^2 s_1}{\sqrt{4 + 4 P_1 s_1 + (1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1)^2}} \right) +$ 
 $\left. P_7 \left( -P_1 + P_3 + \frac{P_1 + P_3 + (P_1 - P_3)^2 s_1}{\sqrt{4 + 4 P_1 s_1 + (1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1)^2}} \right) \right)$ ]

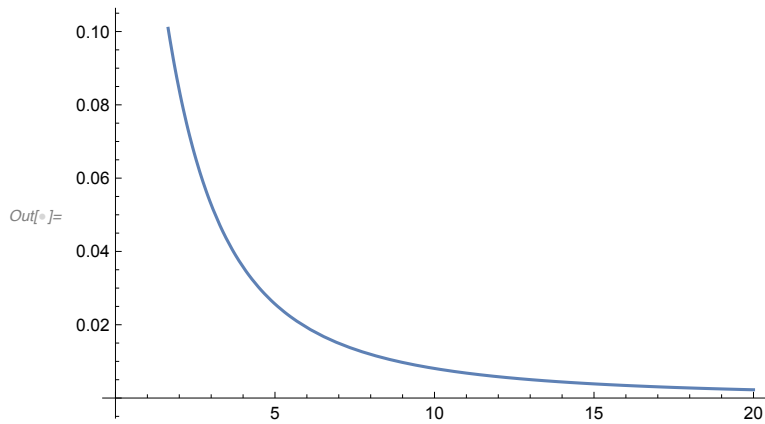
Out[*]:=  $\frac{1}{2} \times \left( 1 + \frac{-1 - s_1}{\sqrt{4 + (1 + s_1)^2}} \right)$ 
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In[*]:= P1 = 0;
P2 = 1;
P3 = 1;
P4 = 0;
P5 = 0;
P6 = 1;
P7 = 0;

mS2 = FullSimplify[ $\frac{1}{2} \left( P_2 (P_6 + P_7) - (P_6 - P_7) \left( -P_4 + \frac{P_2 + P_4 + (P_2 - P_4)^2 s_2}{\sqrt{5 + 2 (P_2 + P_4) s_2 + (P_2 - P_4)^2 s_2^2}} \right) + \right.$ 
 $\left. P_5 \left( -P_2 + P_4 + \frac{P_2 + P_4 + (P_2 - P_4)^2 s_2}{\sqrt{5 + 2 (P_2 + P_4) s_2 + (P_2 - P_4)^2 s_2^2}} \right) \right)$ ]

Out[*]:=  $\frac{1}{2} \times \left( 1 - \frac{1 + s_2}{\sqrt{5 + s_2 (2 + s_2)}} \right)$ 
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In[ ]:= Plot[ $\frac{1}{2} \times \left( 1 - \frac{1 + s_2}{\sqrt{5 + s_2 (2 + s_2)}} \right)$ , {s2, 0, 20}]
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In[ ]:= P1 = 0;
P2 = 1;
P3 = 1;
P4 = 0;
P5 = 0;
P6 = 1;
P7 = 0;
mS12 =
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$$\text{FullSimplify}\left[\frac{1}{2} \left( P_6 \left( P_1 + P_3 - \frac{4 P_1 + 2 (-P_1 + P_3) (1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)}{2 \sqrt{(1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)^2 + 4 \times (1 + P_1 s_1 + P_4 s_2)}} \right) + \right. \right. \\ P_5 \left( P_1 - P_3 + \frac{4 P_1 + 2 (-P_1 + P_3) (1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)}{2 \sqrt{(1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)^2 + 4 \times (1 + P_1 s_1 + P_4 s_2)}} \right) + \\ P_7 \left( -P_1 + P_3 + \frac{4 P_1 + 2 (-P_1 + P_3) (1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)}{2 \sqrt{(1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)^2 + 4 \times (1 + P_1 s_1 + P_4 s_2)}} \right) + \\ P_6 \left( P_2 + P_4 - \frac{4 P_4 + 2 (P_2 - P_4) (1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)}{2 \sqrt{(1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)^2 + 4 \times (1 + P_1 s_1 + P_4 s_2)}} \right) + \\ P_7 \left( P_2 - P_4 + \frac{4 P_4 + 2 (P_2 - P_4) (1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)}{2 \sqrt{(1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)^2 + 4 \times (1 + P_1 s_1 + P_4 s_2)}} \right) + \\ \left. \left. P_5 \left( -P_2 + P_4 + \frac{4 P_4 + 2 (P_2 - P_4) (1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)}{2 \sqrt{(1 + (-P_1 + P_3) s_1 + (P_2 - P_4) s_2)^2 + 4 \times (1 + P_1 s_1 + P_4 s_2)}} \right) \right) \right]$$

$$\text{Out[ ]}= 1 - \frac{1 + s_1 + s_2}{\sqrt{4 + (1 + s_1 + s_2)^2}}$$