

Tutorial on Chemical Reaction Networks

Part II

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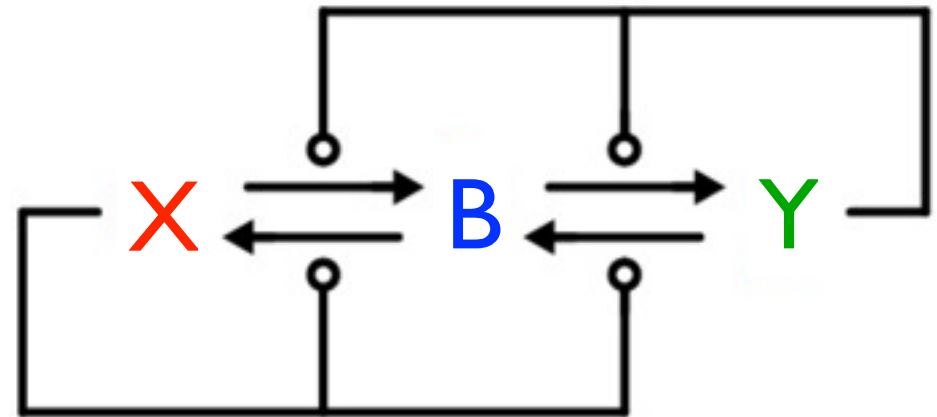
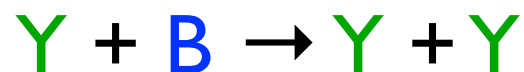
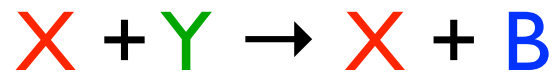
Outline

Distributed Algorithms in Biological Regulatory Networks

Molecular Implementation of CRNs with Strand Displacement Cascades

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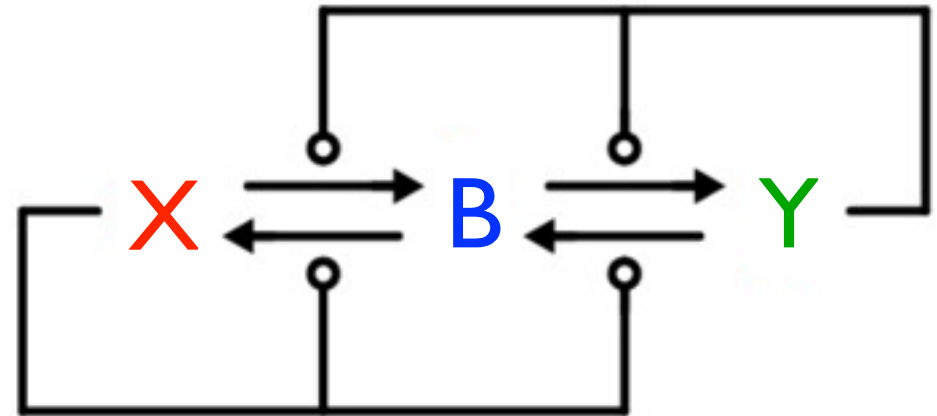
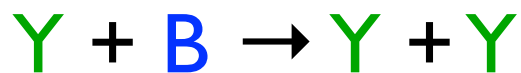
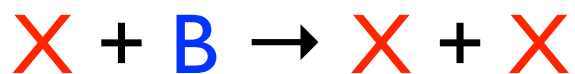
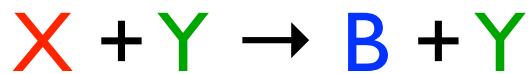
(3 Species) Approximate Majority



n = total number of molecules (X, Y, B)

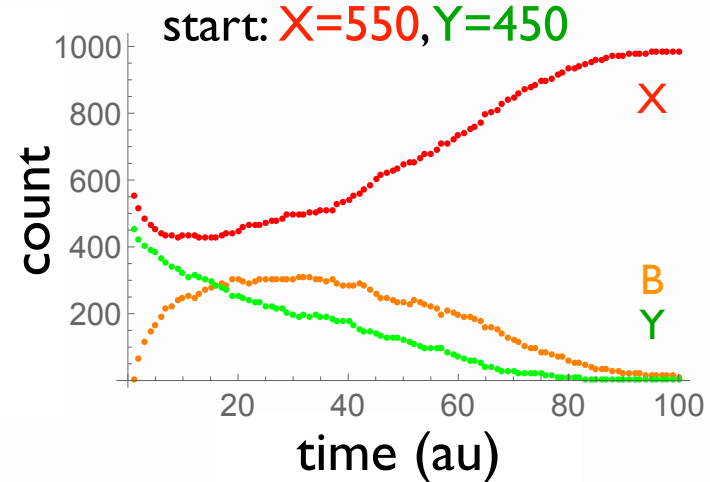
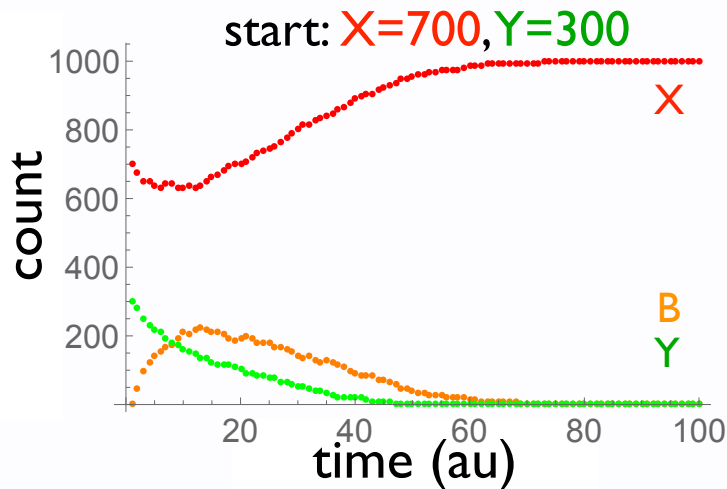
- Fast/efficient: $O(n \log n)$ interactions to converge (optimal)
- Robust: above a threshold, the initial majority wins whp; even with some “byzantine agents”

(3 Species) Approximate Majority



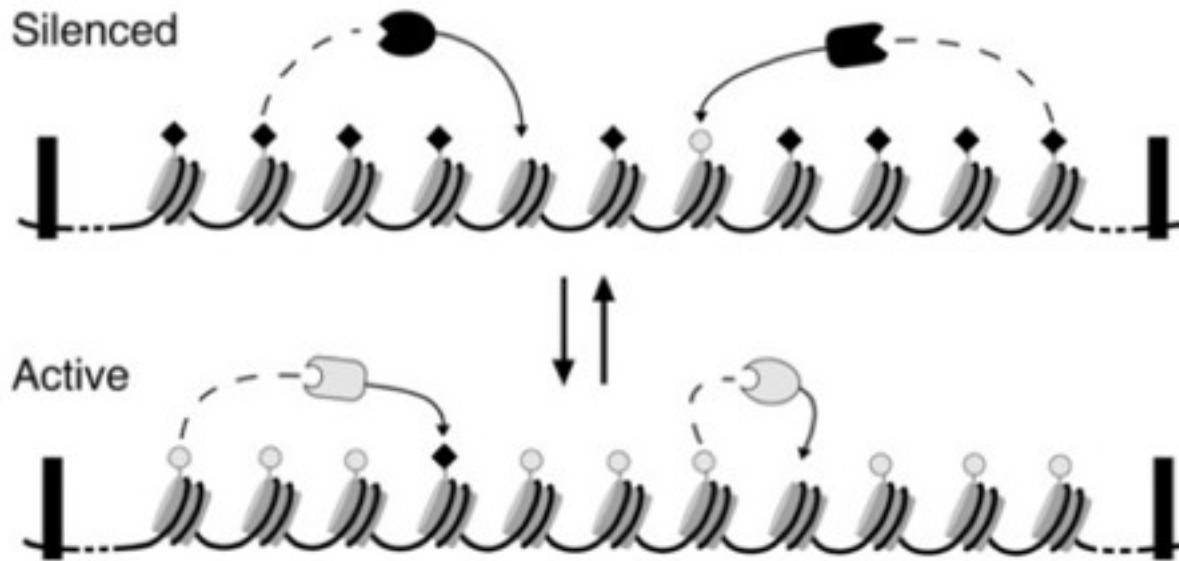
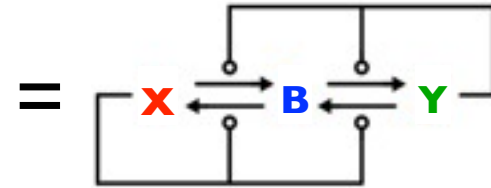
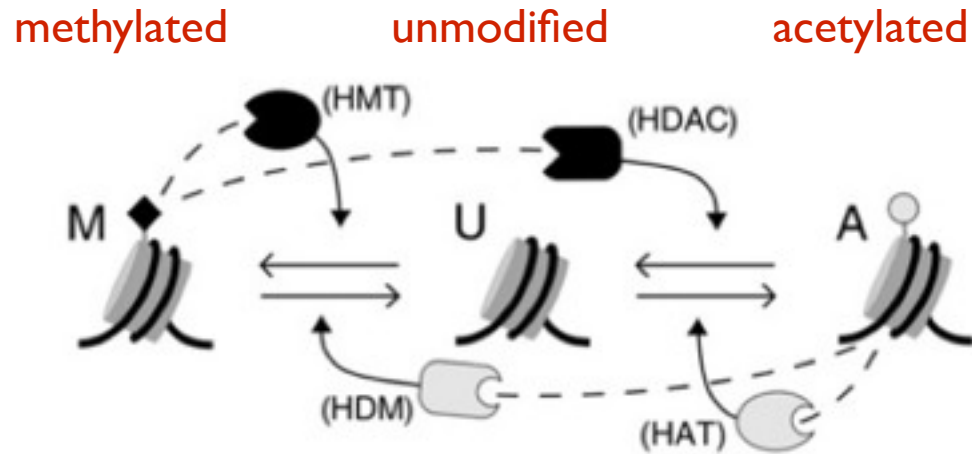
Example simulations:

- n =
- Fa
- Re
- ev



Example: Approximate Majority in a Biological Regulatory Network

“Epigenetic Memory by Nucleosome Modification”

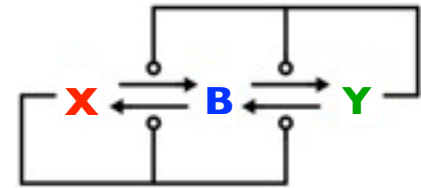


How Can We Identify CRN Algorithms in Biology?

Does a biologically messy network X “implement”
some ideal algorithm Y ?



“Hairball”

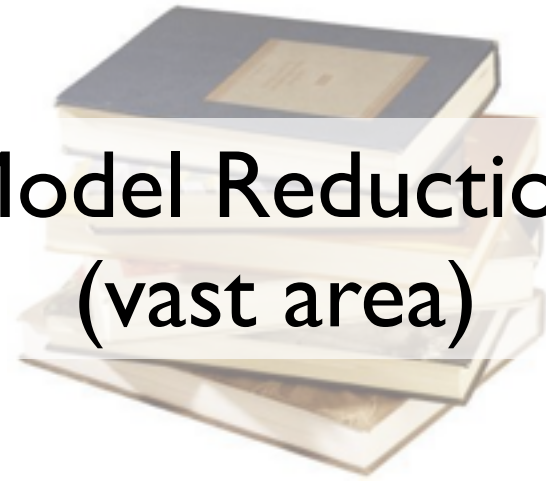


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Intermediary Species



Model Reduction
(vast area)

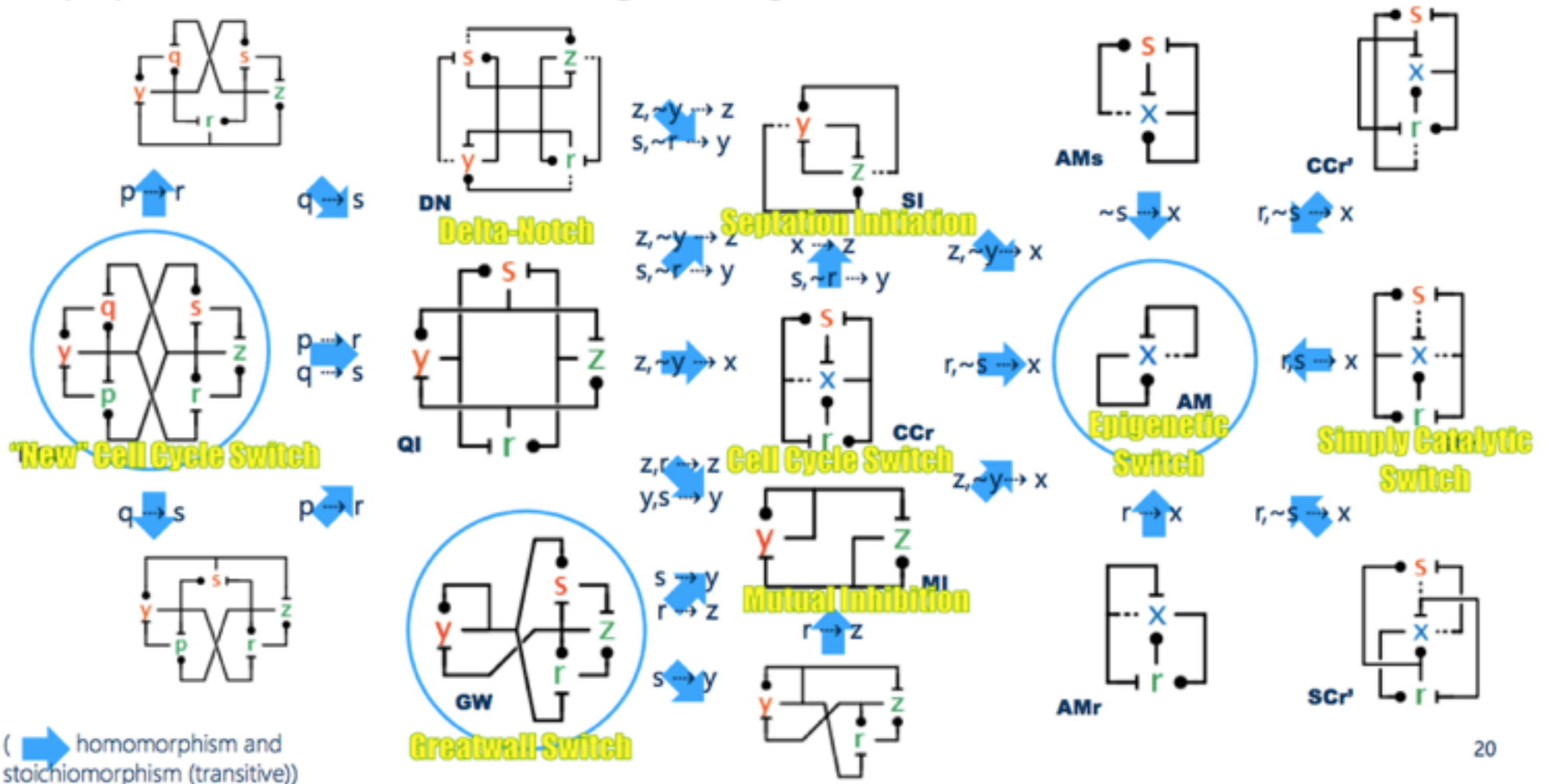


Symmetries



CRN Morphisms

Approximate Majority Emulation Zoo



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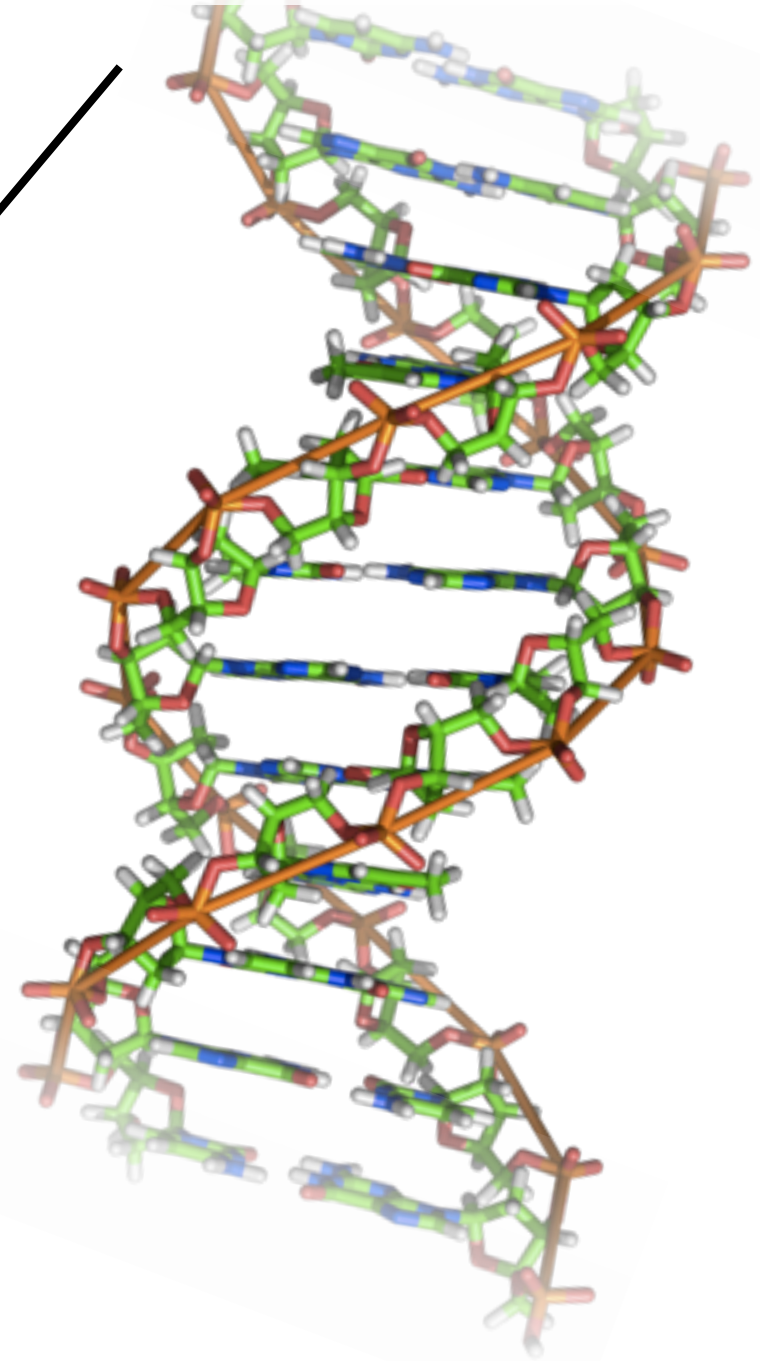
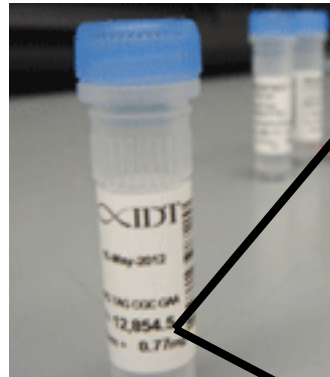
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Strand Displacement Cascades

- DNA used in an entirely new way (NOT genes)



Basics of DNA

Nucleotides

A Adenine

T Thymine

C Cytosine

G Guanine



strand 1

strand 2 = (strand 1)*

Binding

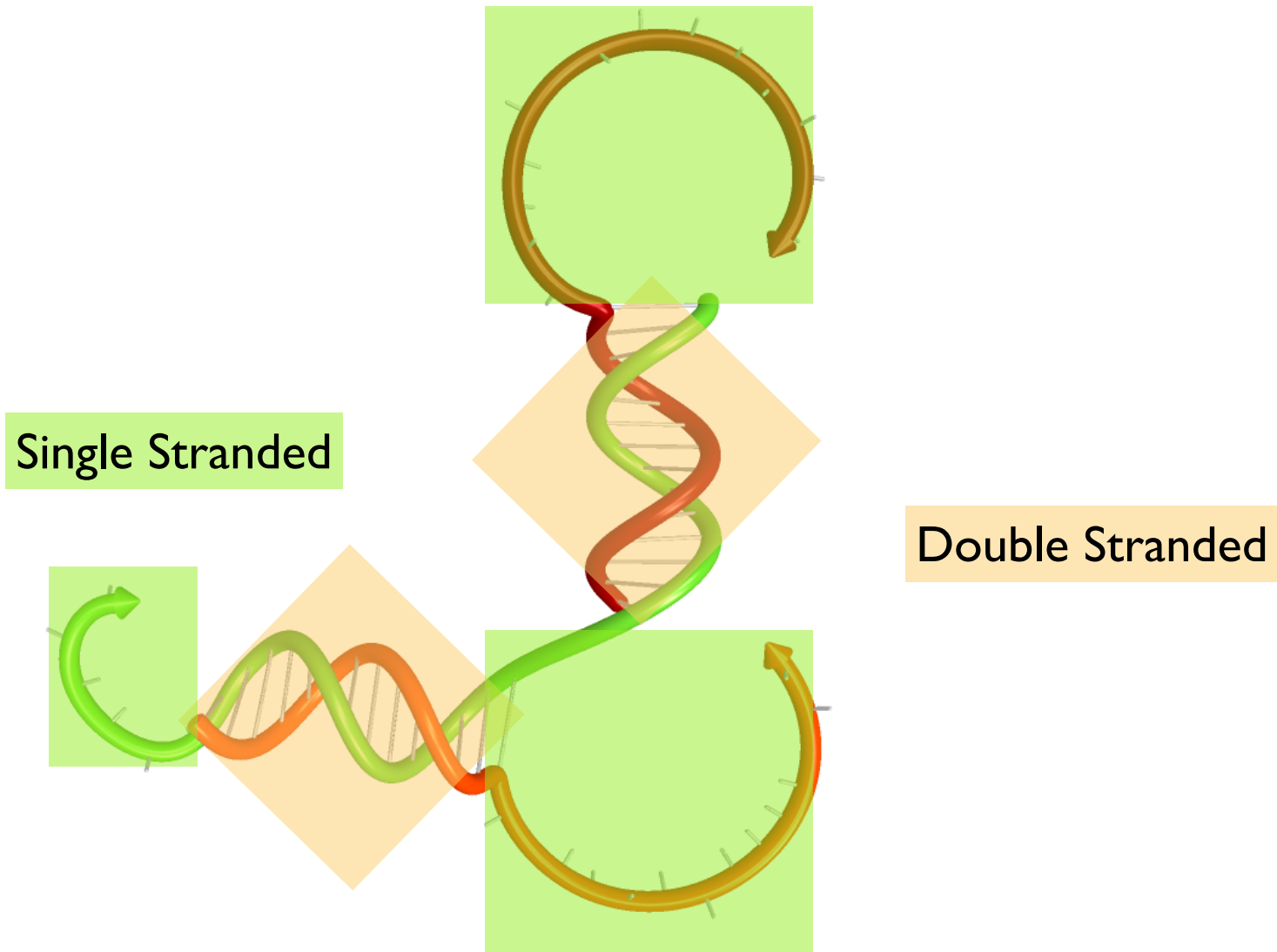
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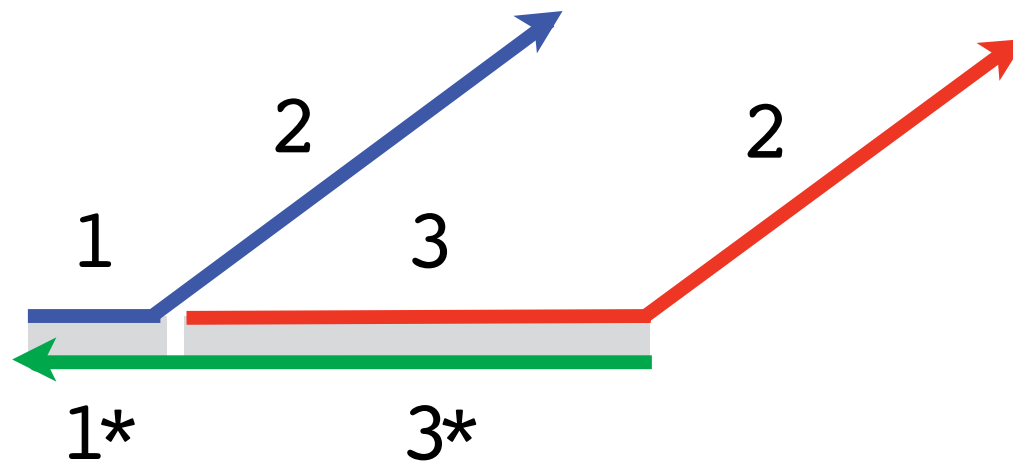
Basics of DNA



Multi-stranded **Complex**



Multi-stranded Complex



1 = CCGGGAA

2 = GCCAGTGCTCTACACA

3 = CTAATGACAGTCTGGC

domains

DNA = Commodity Chemical

Cost: ~50 cents / nucleotide
~\$50 total

> 10^{15} molecules

idtdna.com

Same day synthesis

New Message OpenPGP

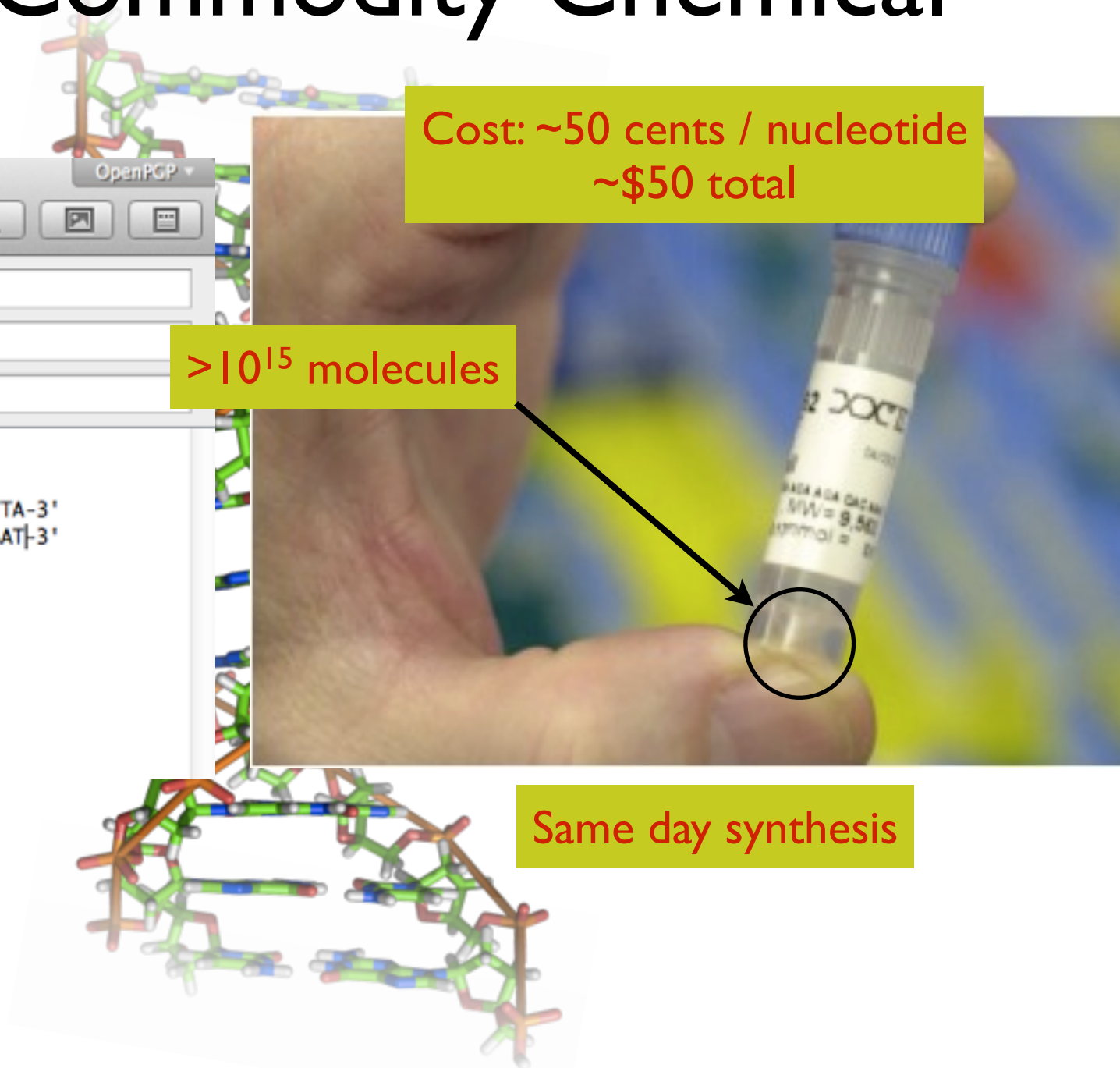
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Cc:

Subject:

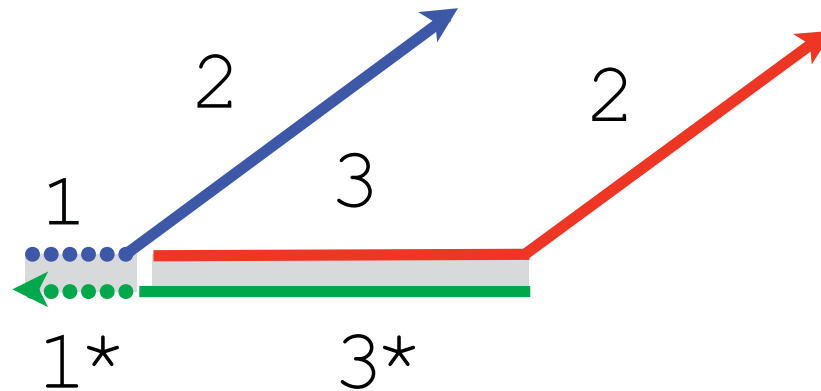
Kindly send me the following strands:

strand1: 5'-ATTTGAGCCCTATCCATAACATTCTGCTTA-3'
strand2: 5'-TAAGCAGGAATGTTATGGATAGGGCTCAAAT-3'



Strand Displacement Cascades

Complexes Should Contain Two Types of Domains:
Short and Long



short domains: < 8 nucleotides

bind weakly



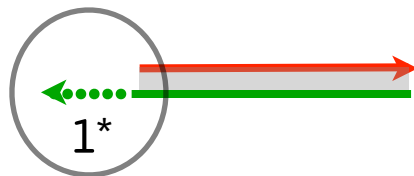
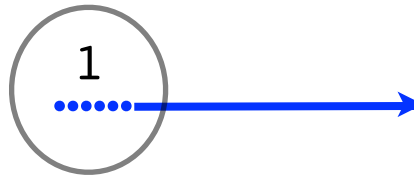
long domains: > 15 nucleotides

bind strongly

Design Complexes To Obey 3 Rules

Rule 1: Bind

Example

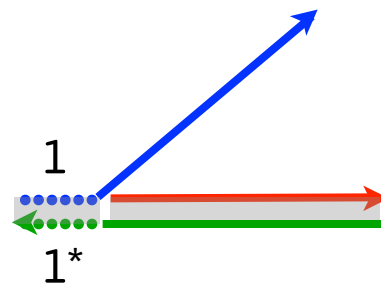


single-stranded
complementary
domains

Design Complexes To Obey **3 Rules**

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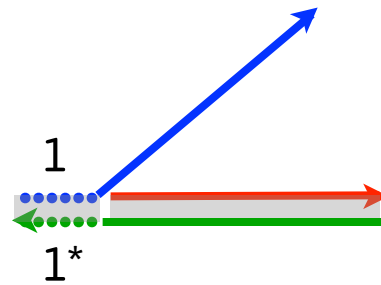


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Rule 1: Bind

Two single-stranded complementary domains can **bind**

Example

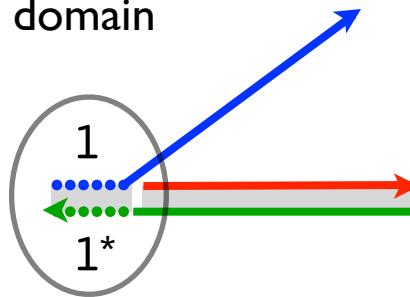


Design Complexes To Obey **3 Rules**

Rule 2: Release

Example

blue strand bound by only
a short domain



Design Complexes To Obey **3 Rules**

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Design Complexes To Obey **3 Rules**

Rule 2: Release

Any strand bound by only a short domain can **release**

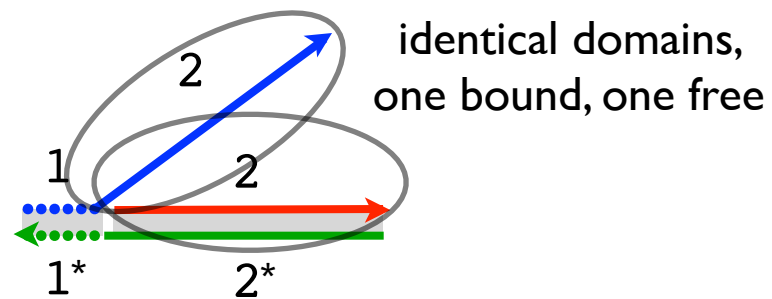
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Rule 3: Displace

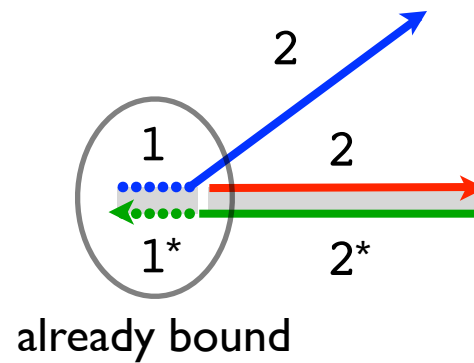
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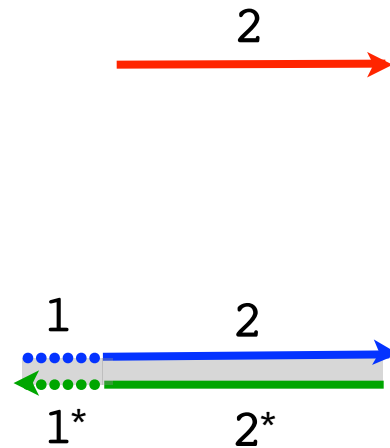
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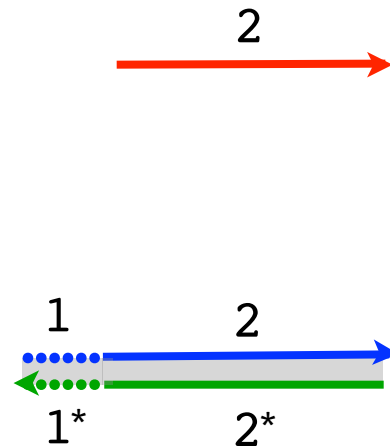


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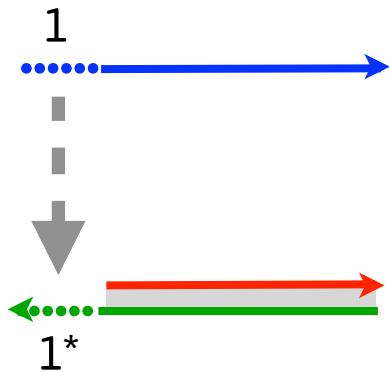
Rule 3: Displace

A domain can **displace** an identical domain of another strand, *if neighboring domains are already bound*

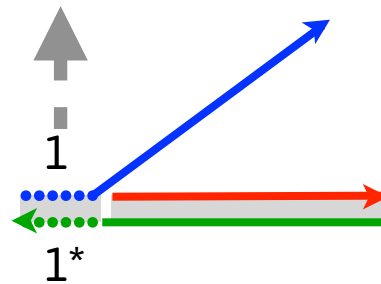
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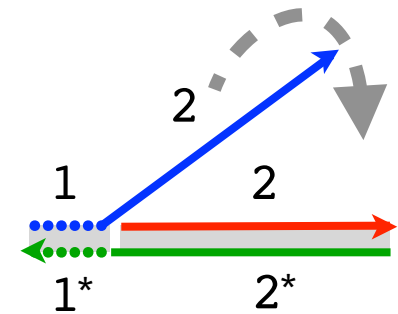
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Bind



Release

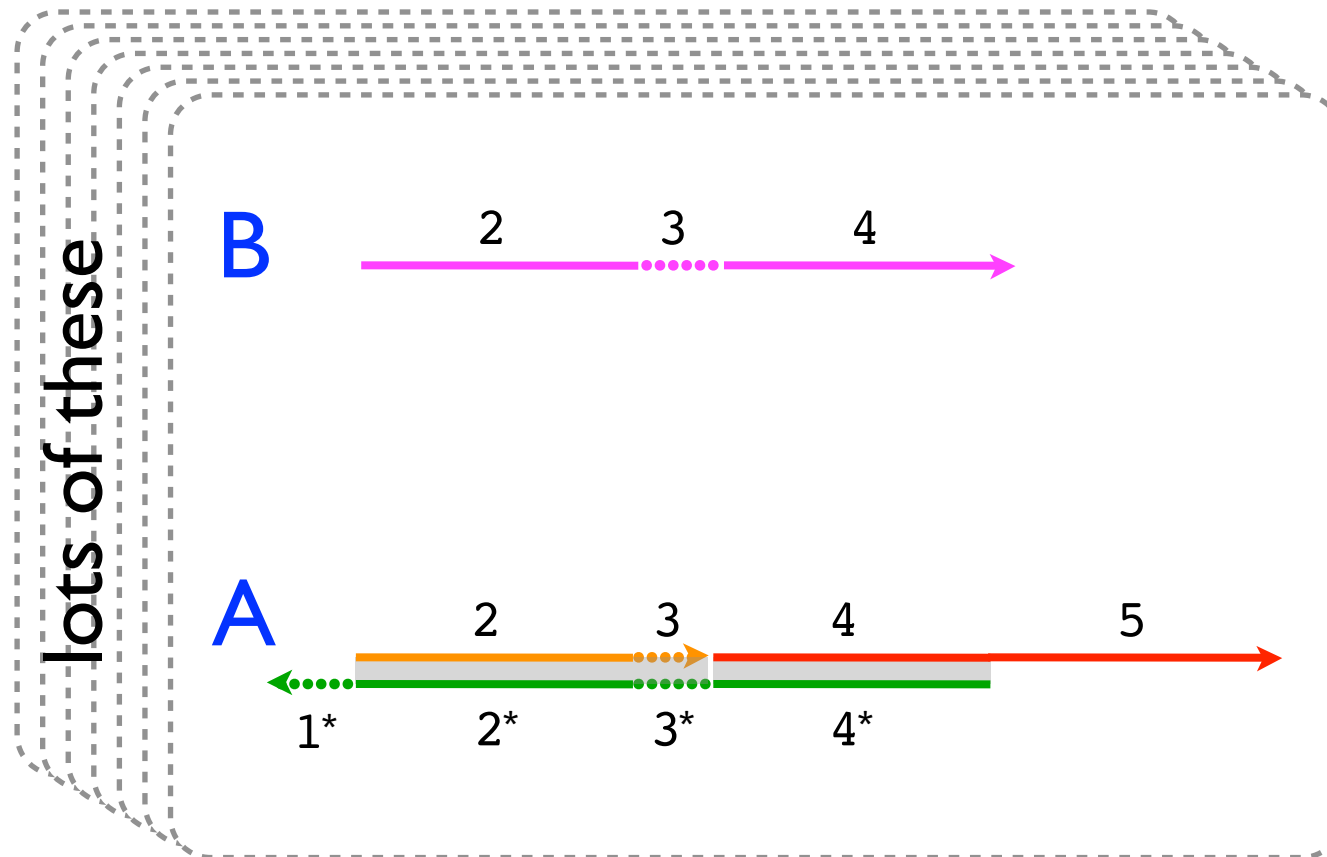
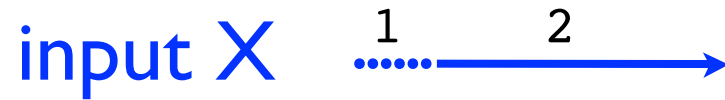


Displace

rate designable by
short domain sequences
(over 6 orders of magnitude)

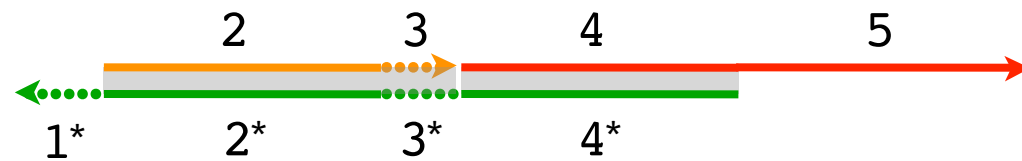
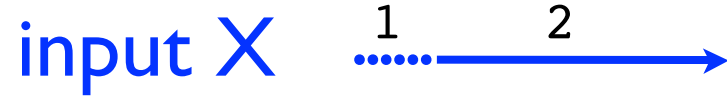
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generate a lot of output Y if even a little of input X is present



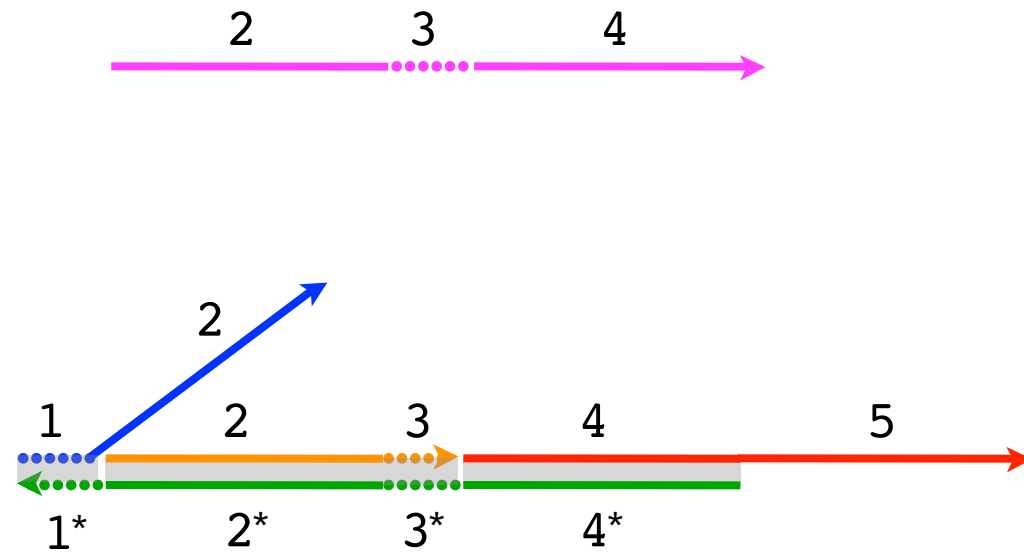
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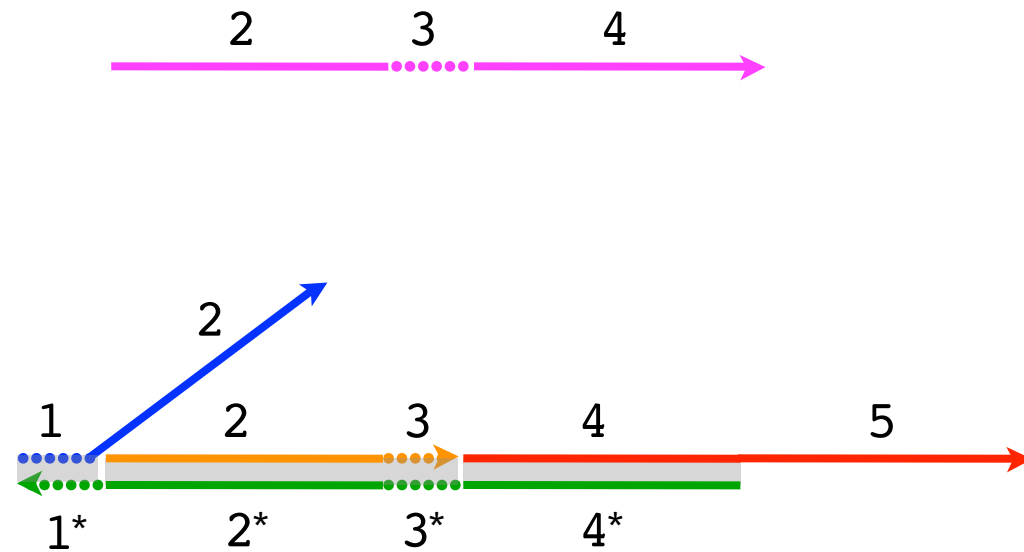
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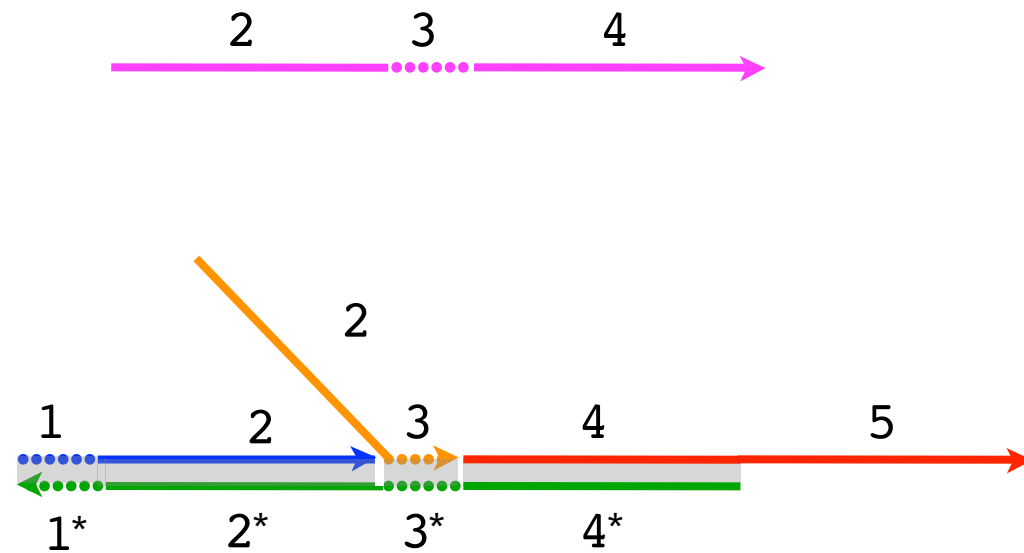
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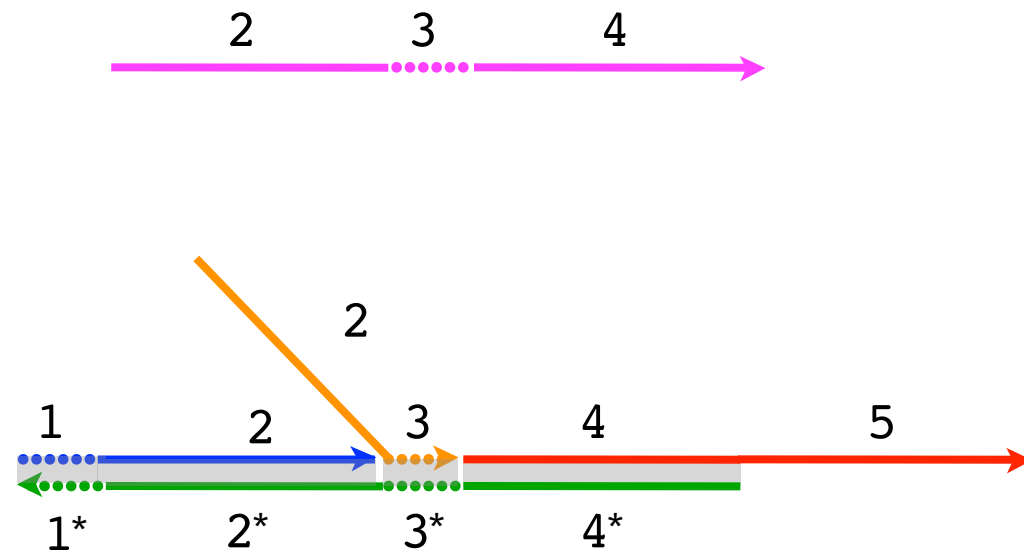
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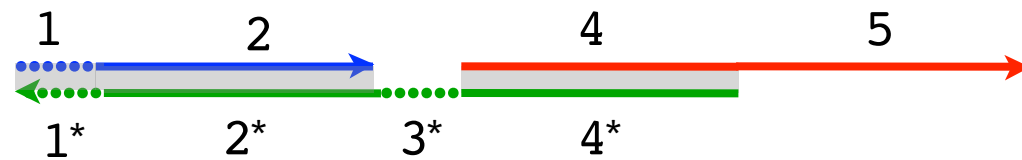
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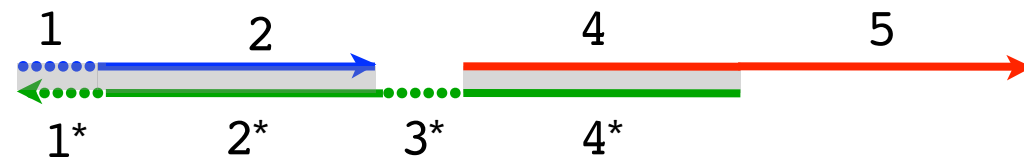
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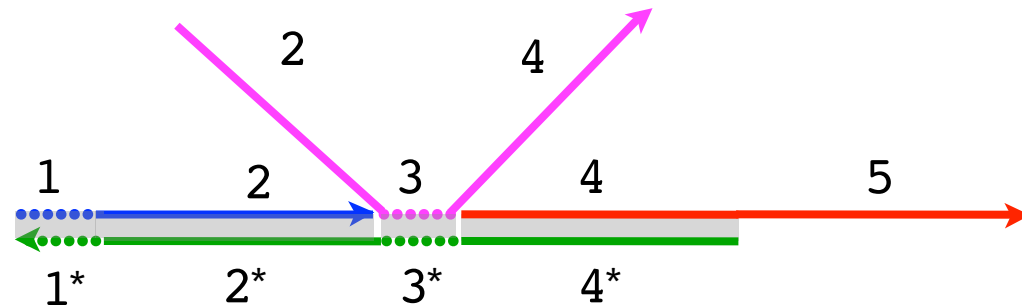
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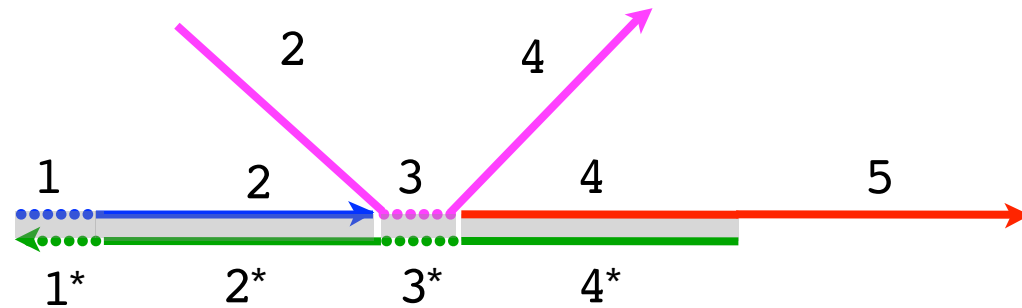
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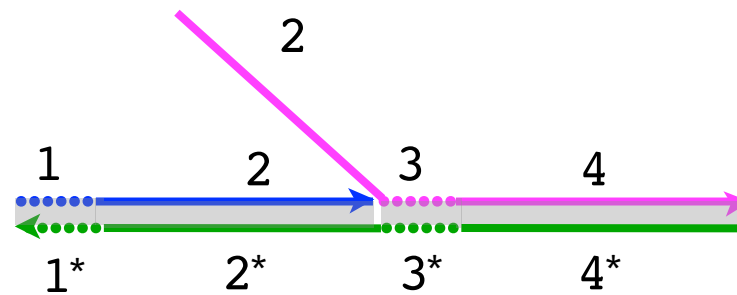
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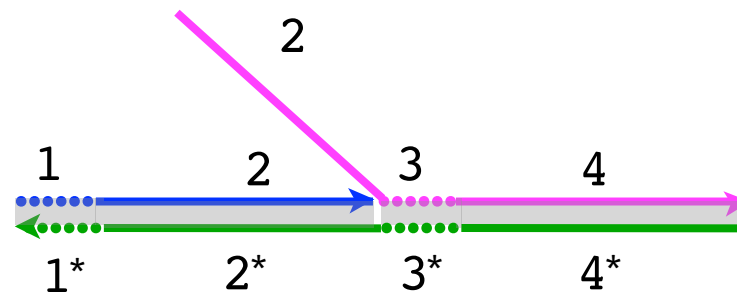
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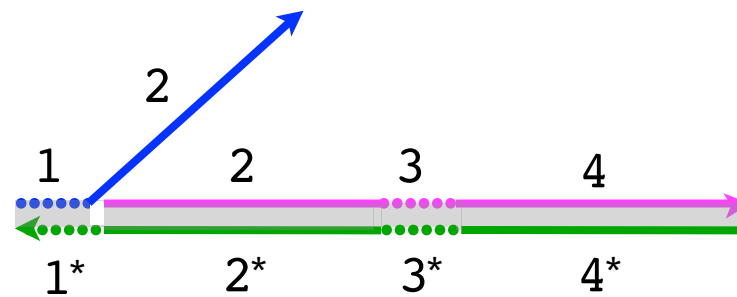
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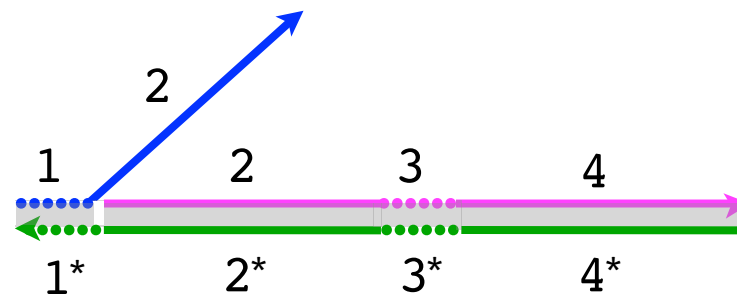
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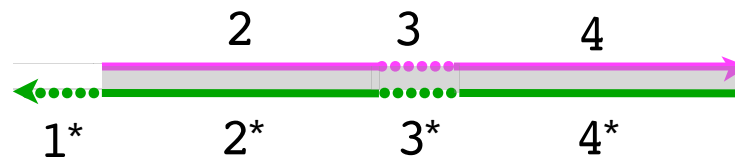
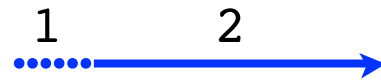


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input X
regenerated

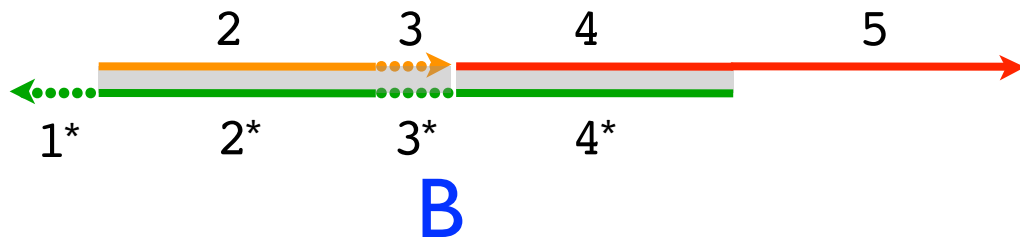
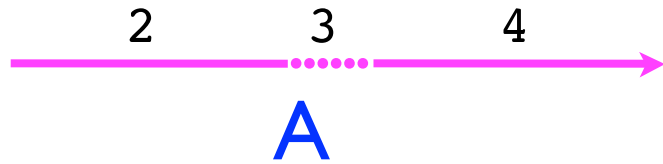
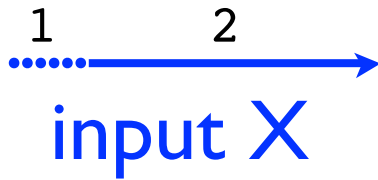


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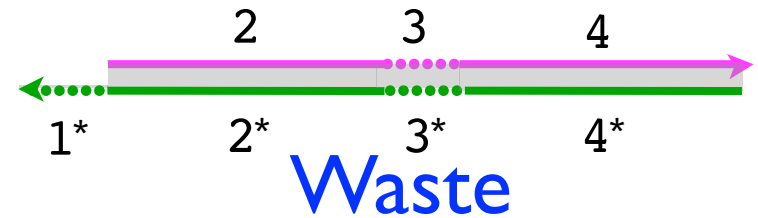
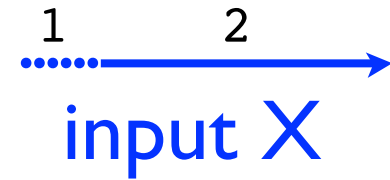
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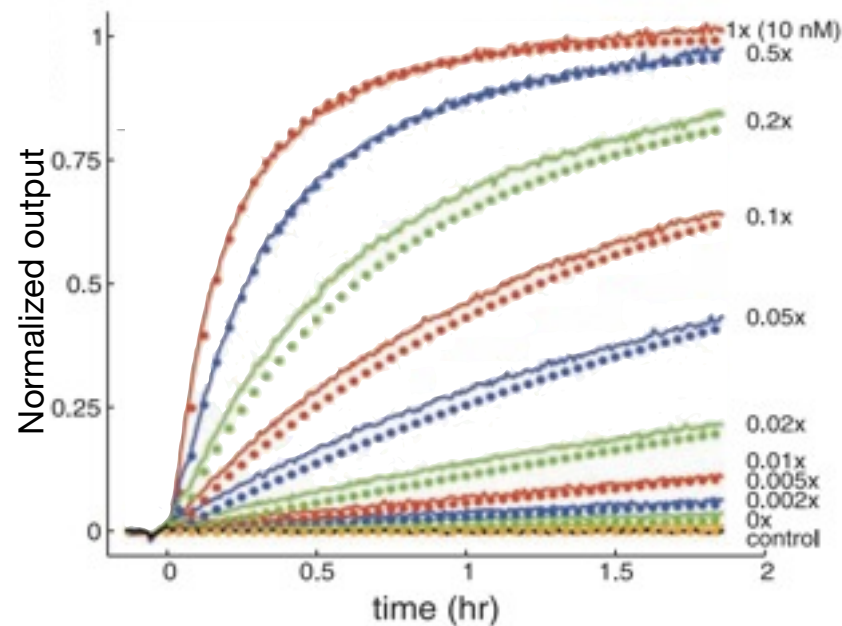
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Wet-lab implementation of amplifier

generate a lot of output Y if even a little of input X is present

more output
than input
produced



varying amount
of input strand



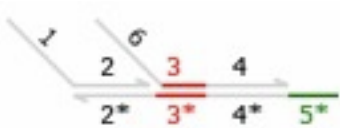
Formal Analysis of Strand Displacement Cascades

DSD: formal language for describing and modeling strand displacement cascades

<http://lepton.research.microsoft.com/webdna/>

$$\langle 1 \rangle [2] : \langle 6 \rangle [3^{\wedge} 4] : 5^{\wedge} *$$

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The screenshot shows the webdna interface. On the left, there is a code editor with the following code:

```

directive sample 200000.0 2000
directive plot <y1| t^ y2 x^> <y2 t^
def bind = 0.0001 (* /M/s *)
def unbind = 0.1 (* /s *)
def Excess = 100

new x@ bind,unbind
new t@ bind,unbind

def Species(N,A,a) = N * a t^ a x
def Species(N,L,a,r) = N * a t^ a r d
def BinaryRxRR(N,a,b,b,c,c,d,d)
new i
{ constant N * t^ ([a x^ b] a i^ c t^
| constant N * Excess * x^ ([b i^ c
}
def UnaryxLL(N,a,b,d,c,d) = [* A
new i
{ constant N * t^ ([a x^] a i^ d t^ d t^
| constant N * Excess * x^ ([d t^
}
def UnaryRd(N,L,a,r) = [* A -> (N) *)
constant N * [a] t^

{ UnaryxLL(1000,y1,t,y1,y1,y1,y1)
| BinaryRxRR(20000,y1,t,y2,y2,x)
| UnaryRd(1000,y2,y2) (* Y2 -> c)
| Species(1000,y1,y1) (* Y1 *)
| Species(1000,y1,y2) (* Y2 *)
}

```

On the right, there are several diagrams illustrating strand displacement reactions. The top diagram shows a strand with segments labeled x, y1, and t. An arrow points to a reaction where a strand with segment y1 displaces the t segment, resulting in a strand with segments y1, x, and t. Below this, there are more complex diagrams showing multiple strands interacting, with arrows indicating the direction of displacement.

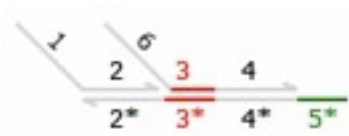
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The screenshot shows the webdna web application interface. The browser address bar displays <http://lepton.research.microsoft.com/webdna/>. The interface includes a code editor on the left with a simulation script, a central visualization area showing a strand displacement cascade with colored strands (red, green, blue) and their interactions, and a right-hand panel with various simulation controls like 'Solve', 'Simulate', 'Pause', and 'Rules'.

formal semantics

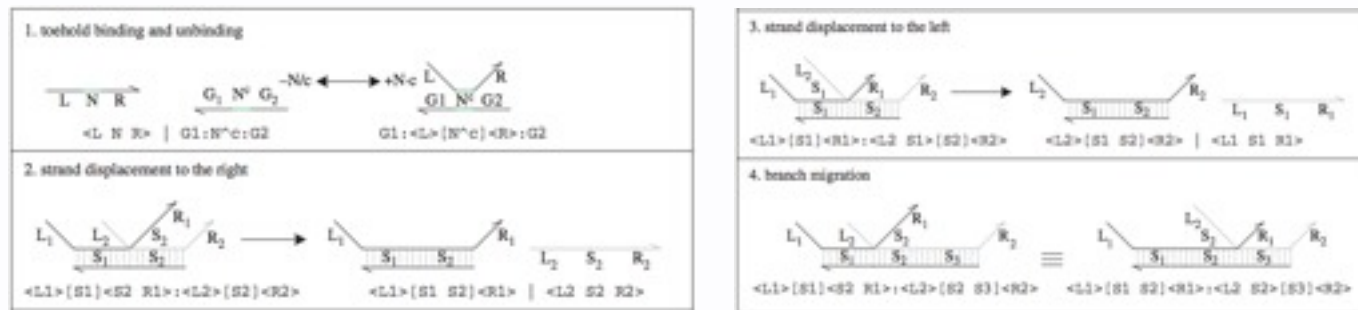
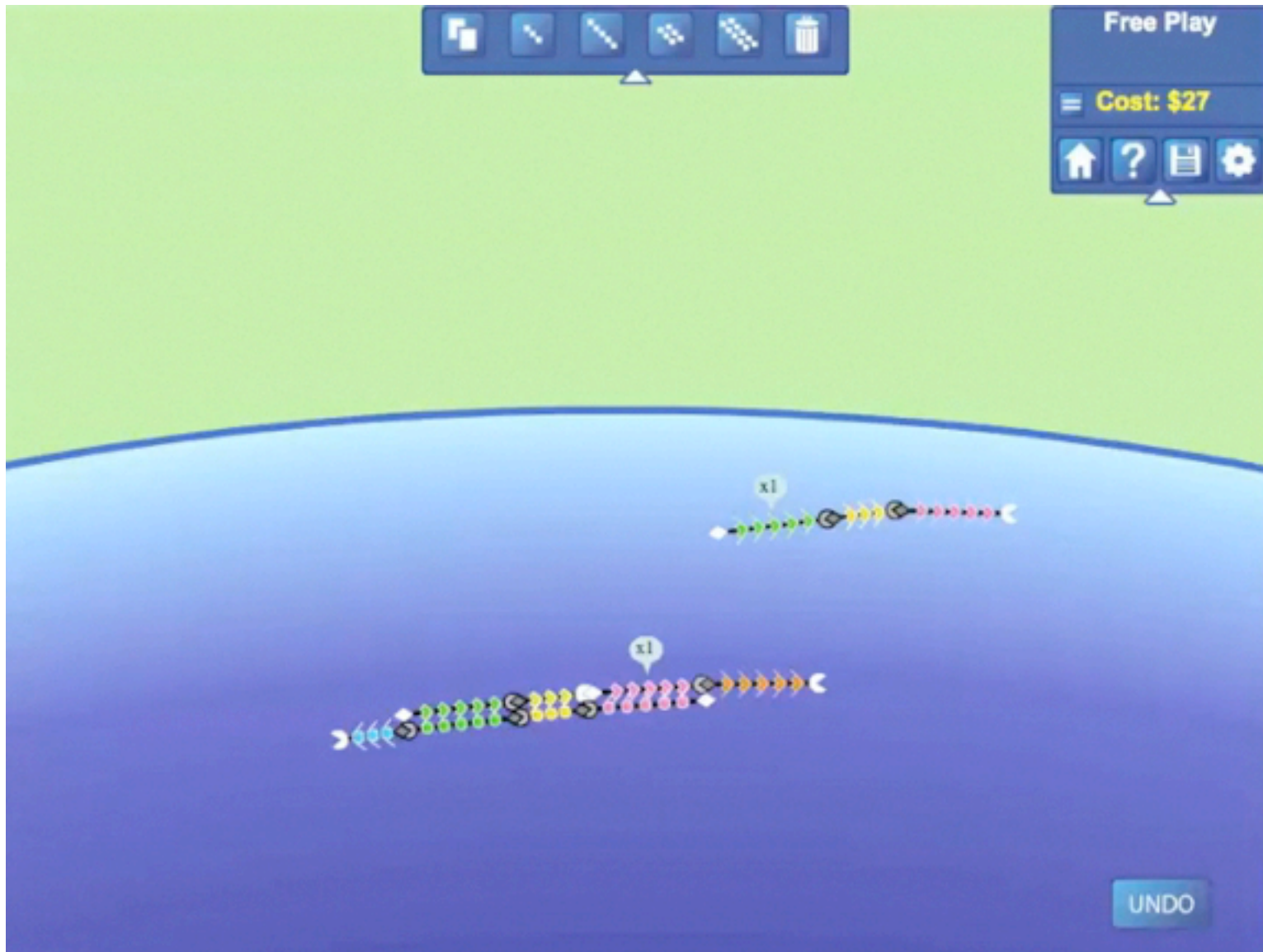


Figure 2. Reduction and branch migration rules of the strand displacement language. For each rule, the graphical representation at the top is equivalent to the program code at the bottom.

Diverse Design Possibilities Make for a Game



(Beta
version)

Rich Snider, Dmitry Danilov and Zoran Popovic,
in collaboration with Georg Seelig, David Baker

<http://nanocrafter.org/>

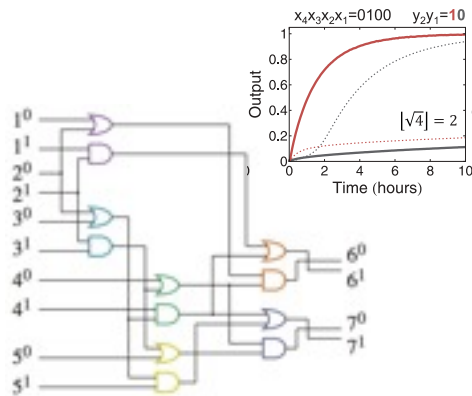
- FoldIt team
- crowd-sourcing

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molecular
logic circuits



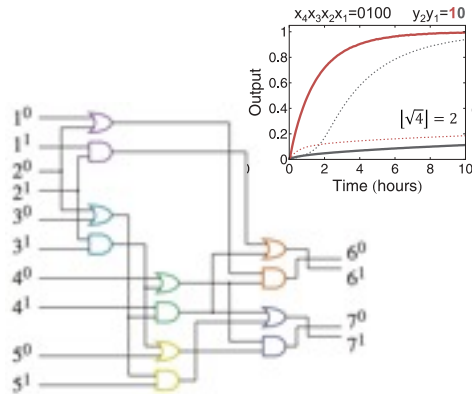
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Qian, Winfree, *Science* 2011



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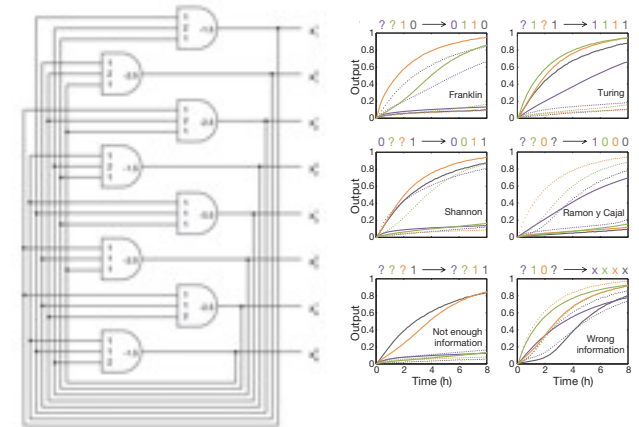
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strand displacement cascades

molecular artificial neural networks

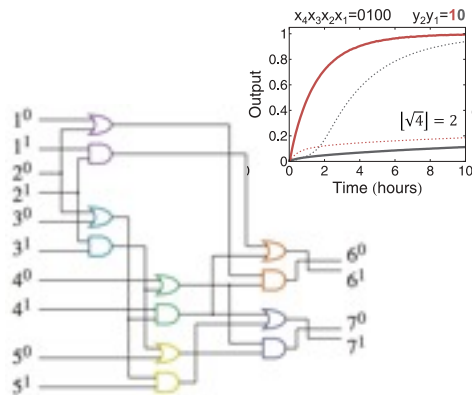


- Biochemical system doing inference

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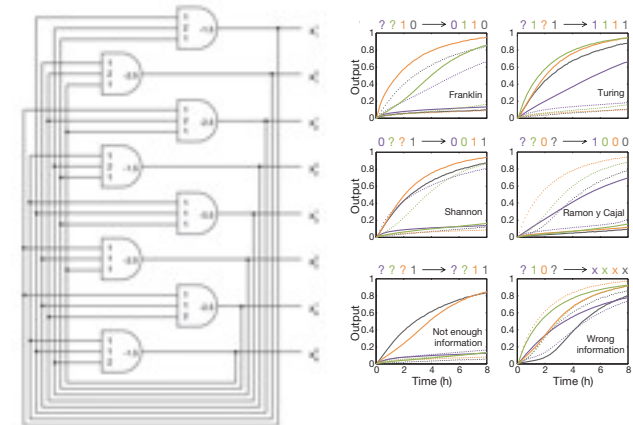
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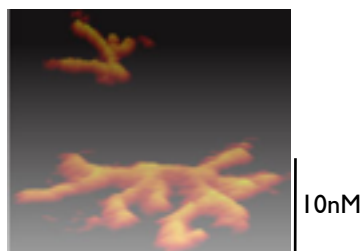
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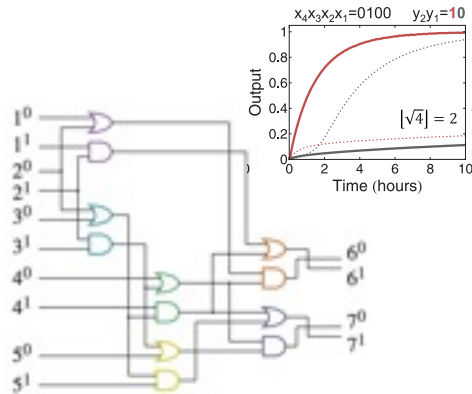
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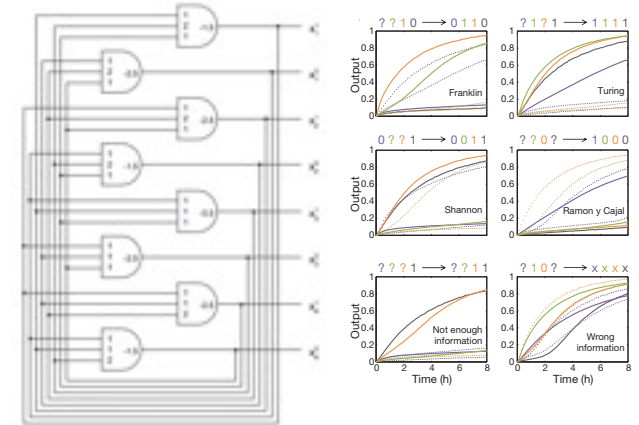
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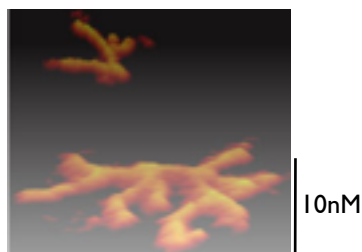
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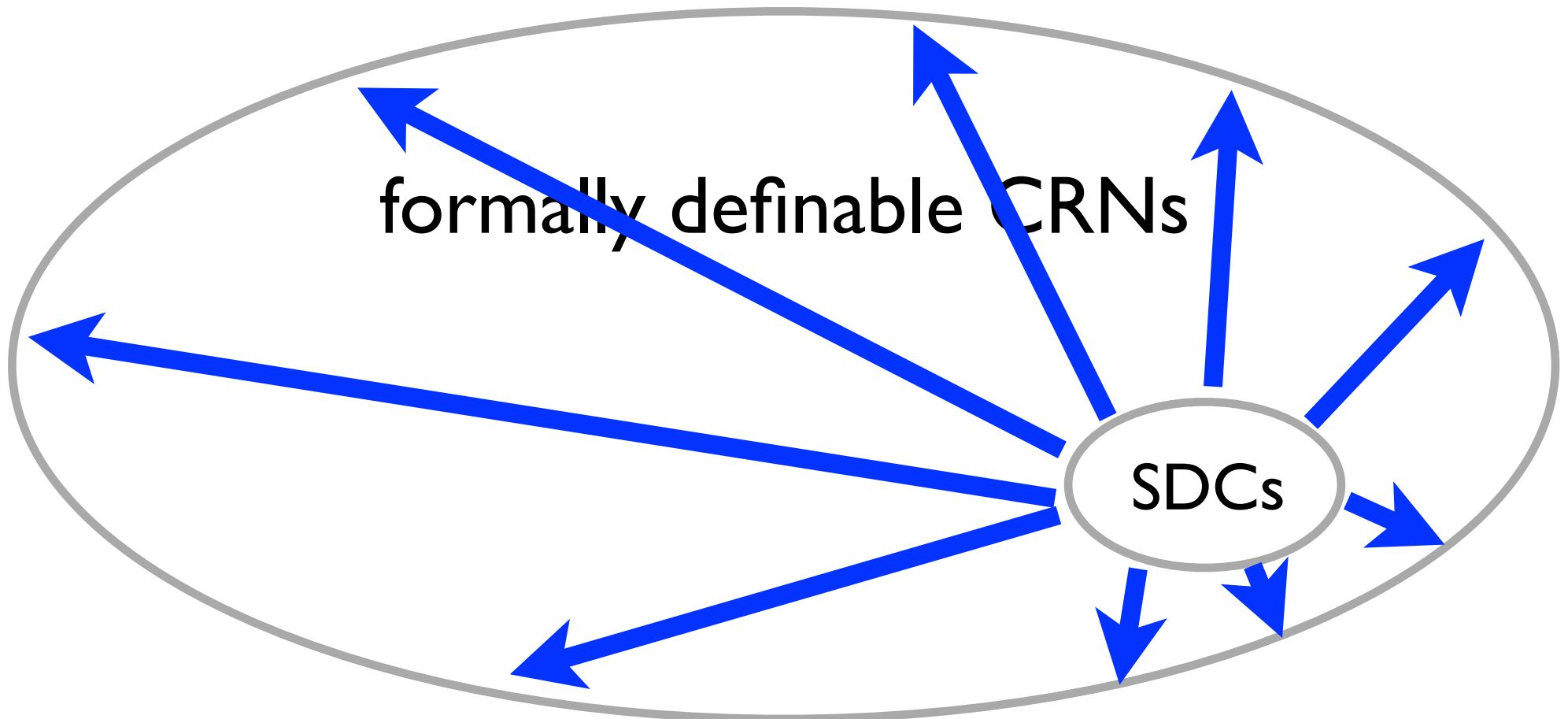


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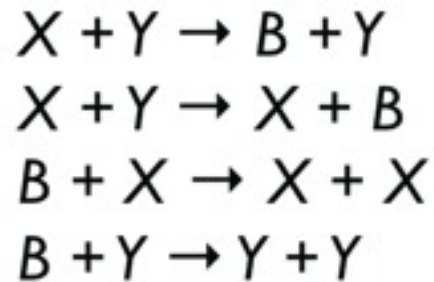
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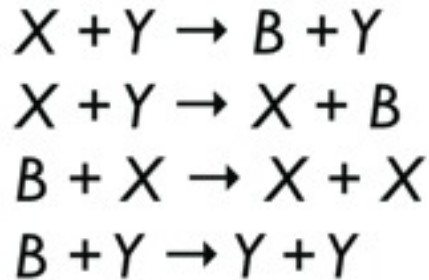
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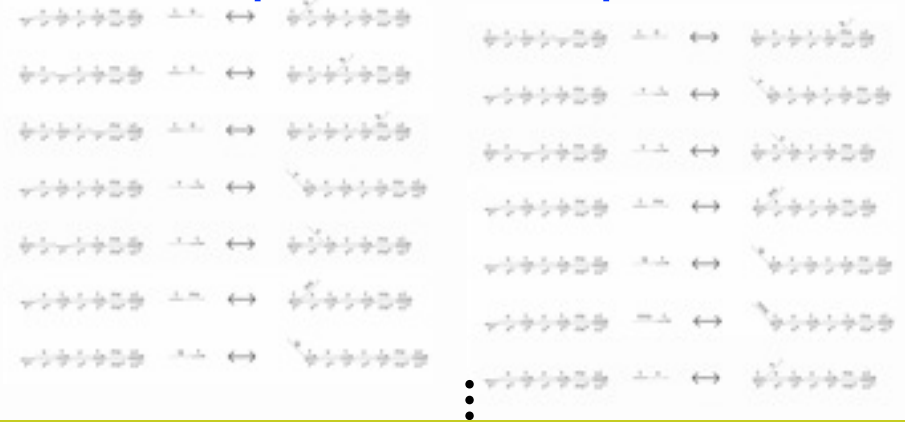


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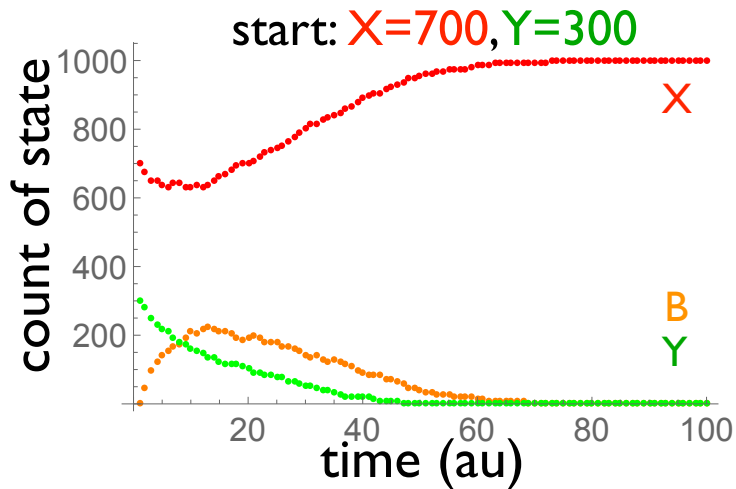
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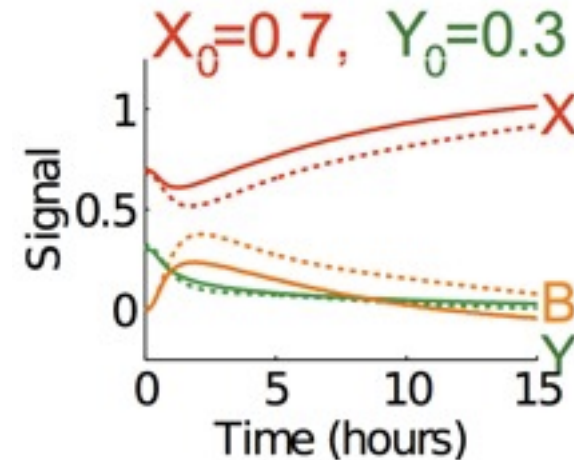


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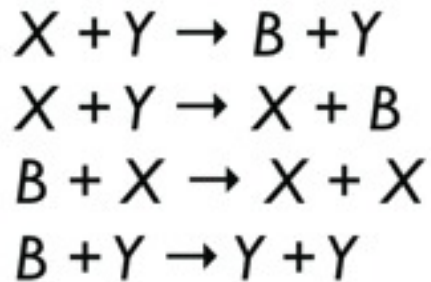
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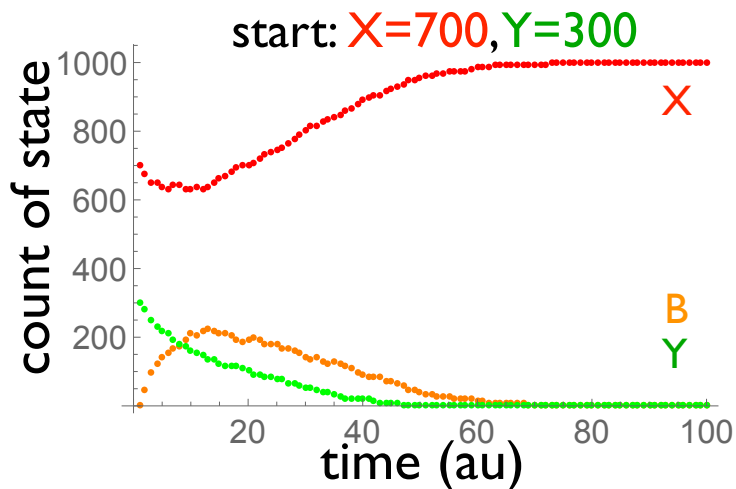
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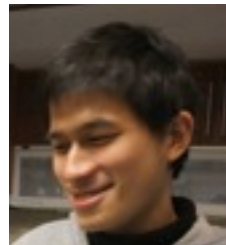
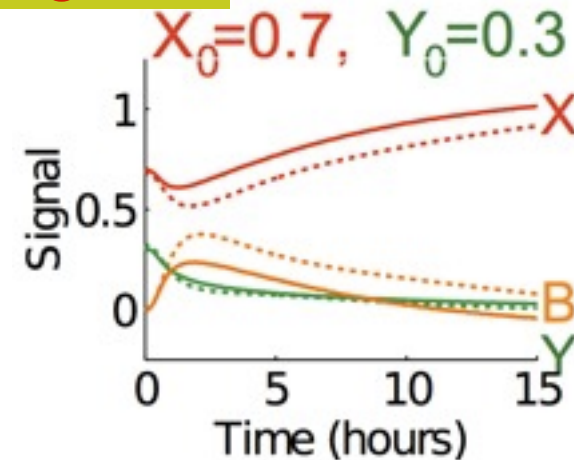
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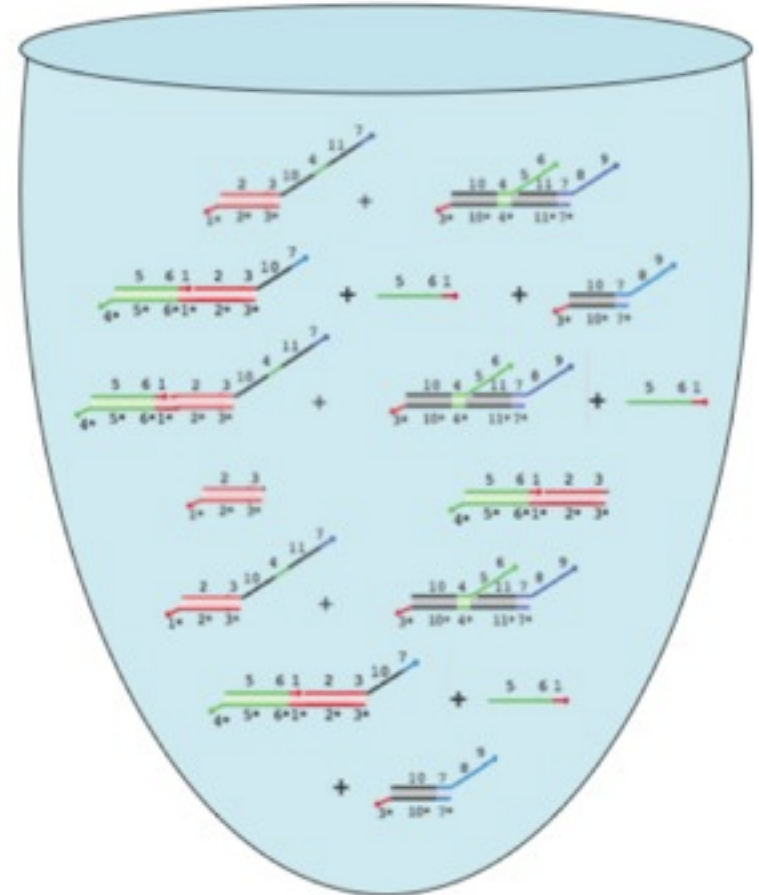
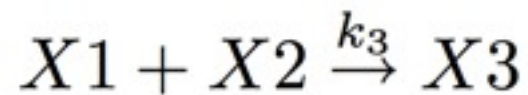
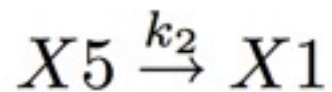
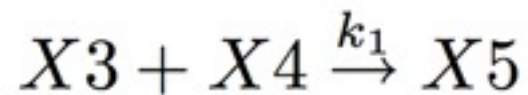
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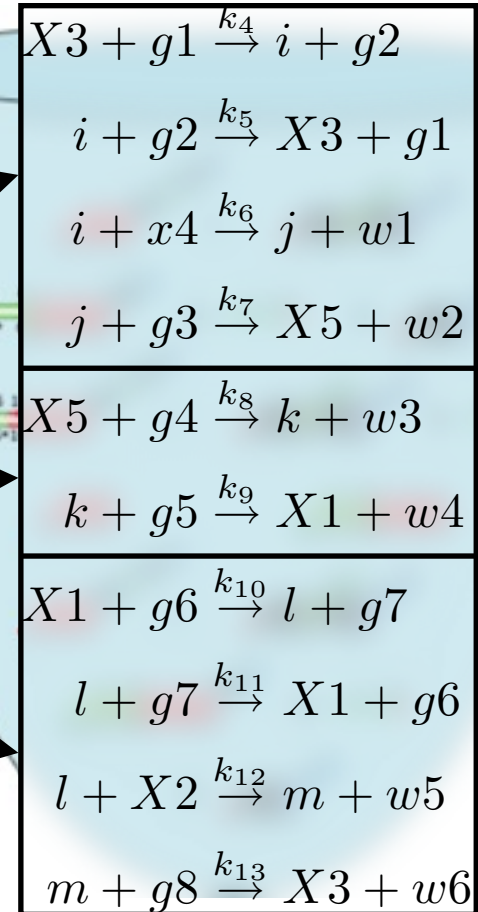
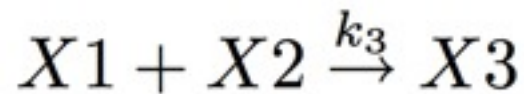
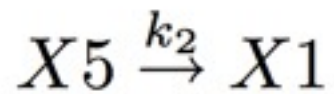
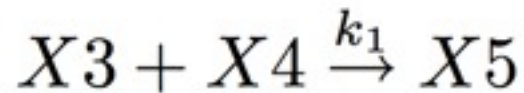


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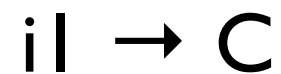
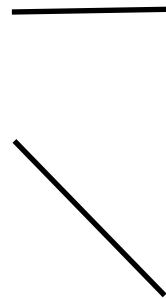
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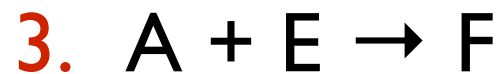
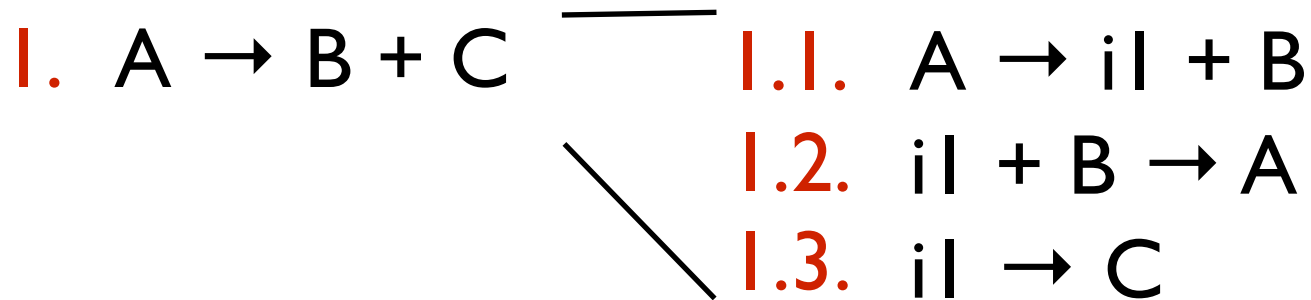
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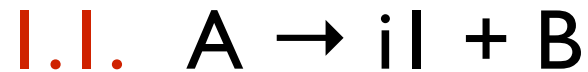
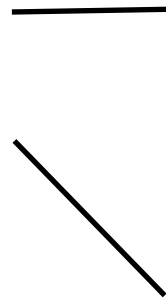
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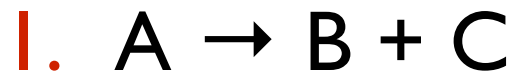
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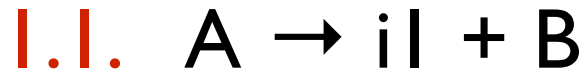


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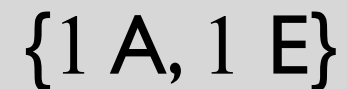
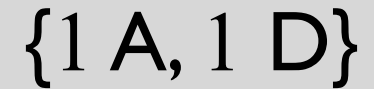
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