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**Structural conditions
for oscillations and multistationarity
in aggregate monotone systems**

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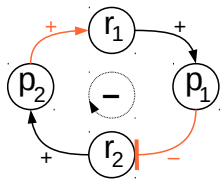
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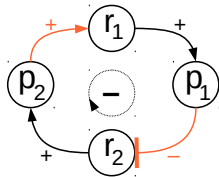
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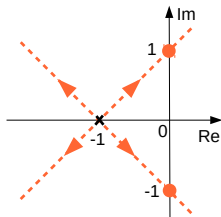
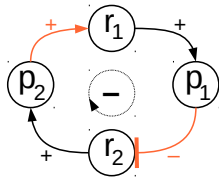


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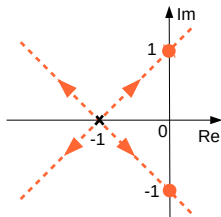
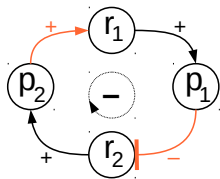


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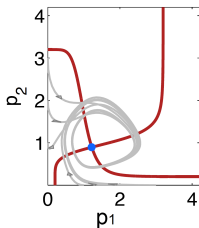
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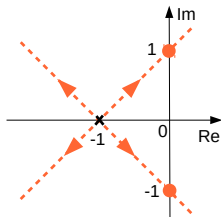
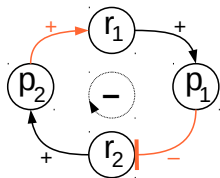
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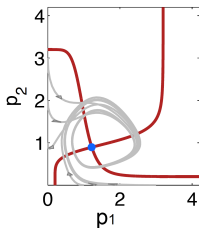
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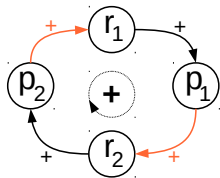
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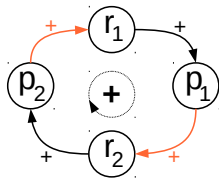
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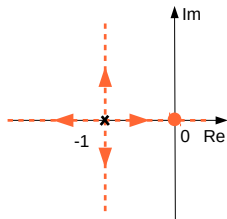
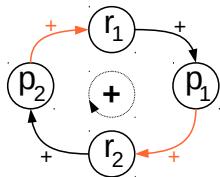


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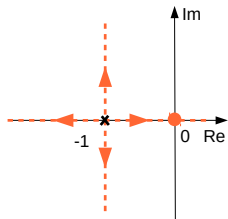
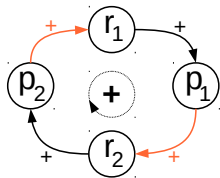


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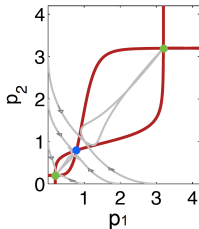
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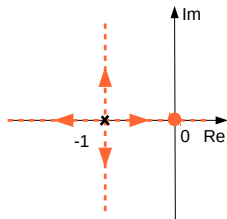
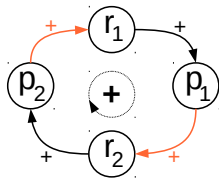
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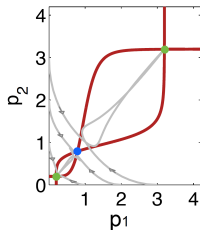
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	Candidate oscillator	Candidate multistationary
Weak	A negative cycle exists	A positive cycle exists
Strong	All cycles are negative	All cycles are positive

Strong candidate: **exclusively** admits oscillatory/real instability

Weak candidate: **possibly** admits oscillatory/real instability

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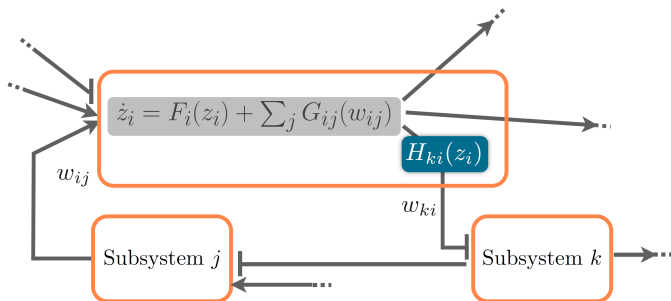
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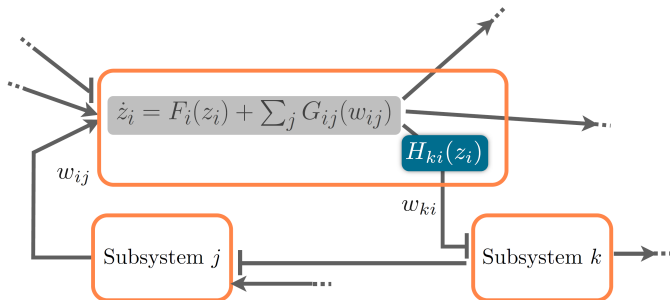
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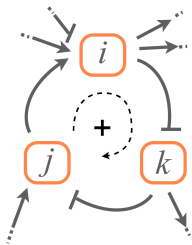
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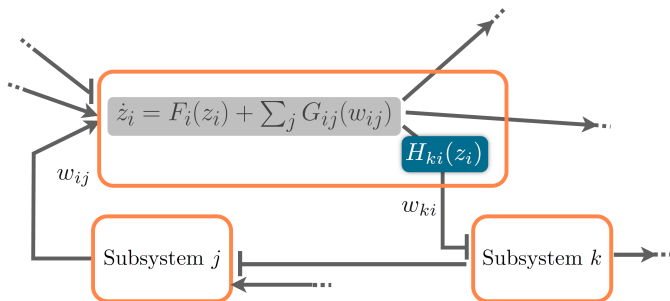
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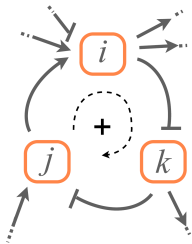
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Proof exploits two main facts

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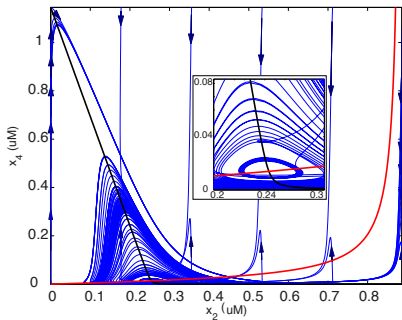
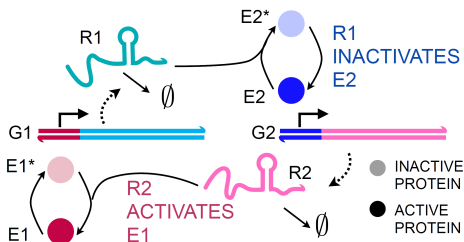
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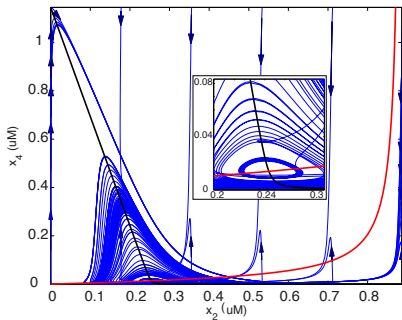
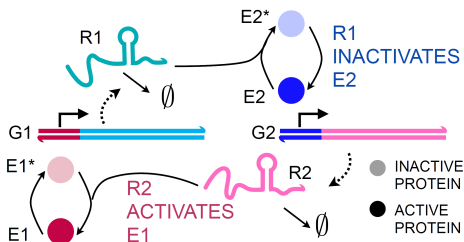
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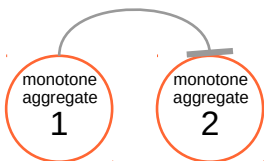
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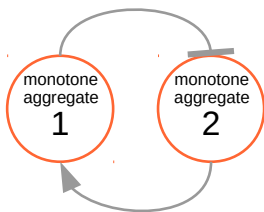


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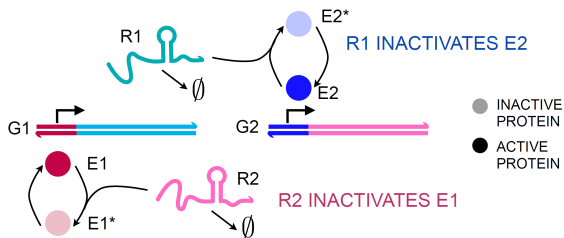
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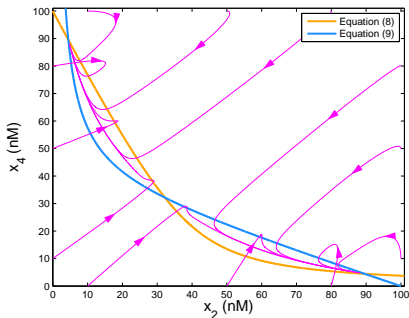
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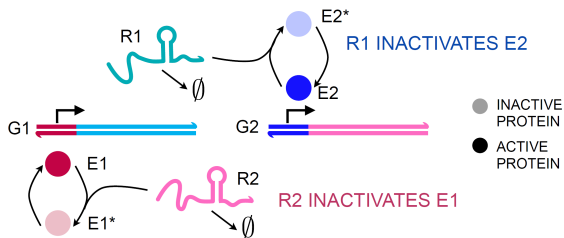


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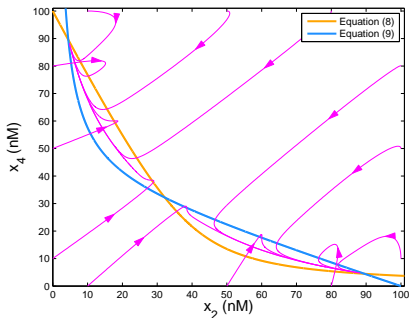
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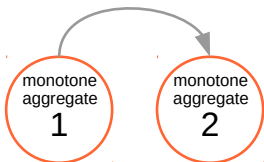
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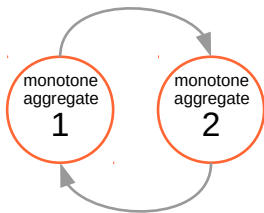


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