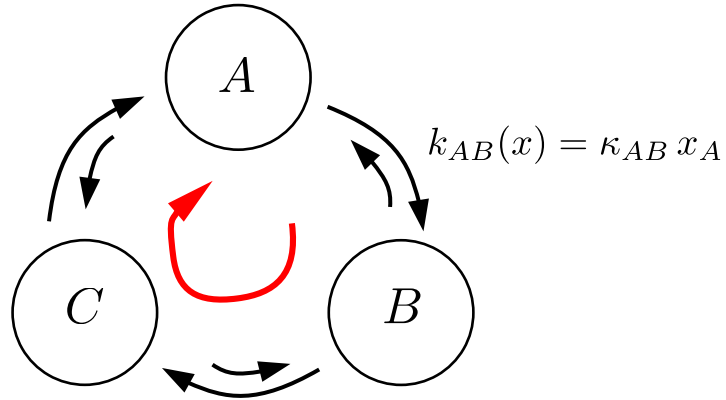


Hidden Hamiltonian Systems in Chemical Reaction Networks

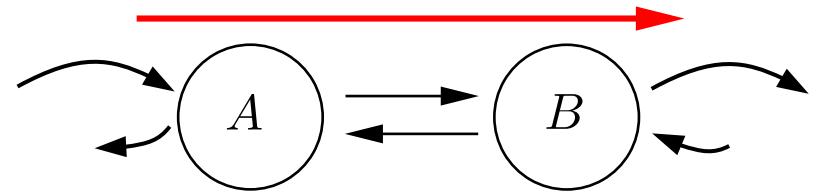
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Non-equilibrium systems

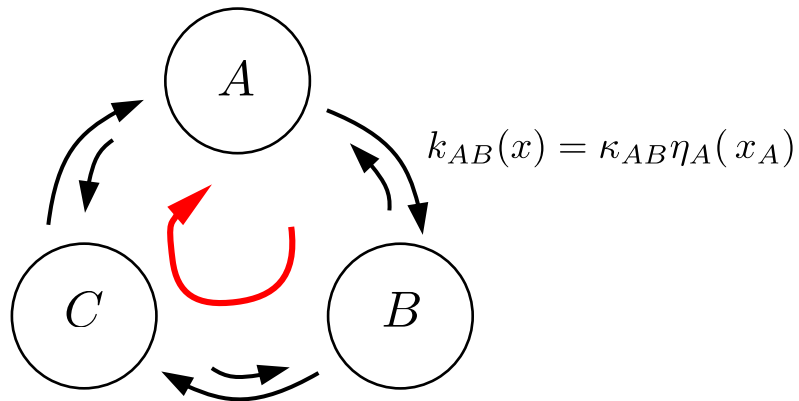
Monomolecular



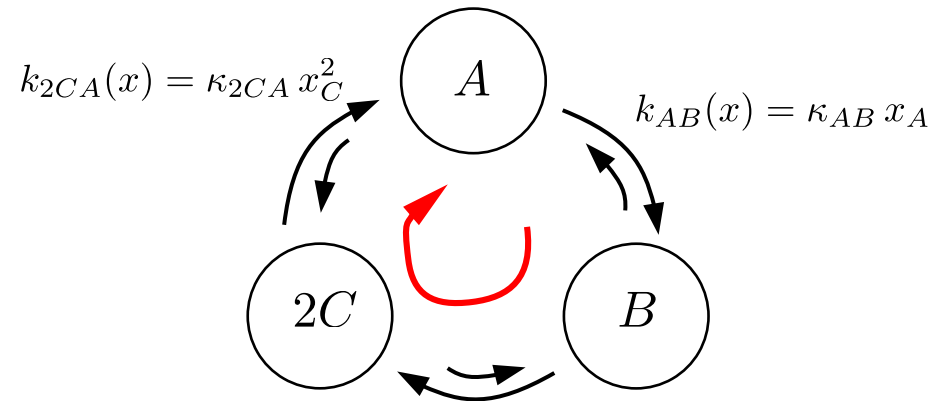
Boundary-driven systems



Zero-range



Chemical reactions



Flux Reaction Rate Equation

- Reversible network,
(every forward reaction r has a backward reaction $\text{bw}(r)$)
- At least 3 connected complexes in a loop,
(else always detailed balance)
- Γ stoichiometric matrix for forward reactions,
- $j_r(t)$ net reaction flux (forward – backward).

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}(t) = \Gamma j(t), & \text{continuity equation (CE)} \\ j(t) = k_{\text{fw}}(x(t)) - k_{\text{bw}}(x(t)). & \text{reaction rate equation (RRE)} \end{cases}$$

- Goal:**
1. derive response relation $j(t) = \nabla \Psi^*(x(t), F(x(t)))$,
 2. decompose forces $F(x) = F^{\text{sym}}(x) + F^{\text{asym}}(x)$,
 3. study dynamics of $\dot{x}(t) = \Gamma \nabla \Psi^*(x(t), F^{\text{sym}}(x(t)))$,
 4. study dynamics of $\dot{x}(t) = \Gamma \nabla \Psi^*(x(t), F^{\text{asym}}(x(t)))$.

1. Response relation

Kurtz limit: $(X^n(t), J^n(t)) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} (x(t), j(t))$,
stochastic \rightarrow *deterministic RRE*

Large deviations: $\mathbb{P}((X^n, J^n) \approx (x, j)) \stackrel{n \rightarrow \infty}{\sim} e^{-n \int_0^T \mathcal{L}(x(t), j(t)) dt}$,
known but not very nice

$$\mathcal{L}(x, j) \begin{cases} = 0, & j = k_{fw}(x) - k_{bw}(x), \\ > 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Th. [Onsager, Machlup 1953, Bertini et al 2002, Mielke, Peletier, R. 2014, R. 2018].

$\exists!$ $F(x)$ and convex dual non-negative potentials $\Psi(x, \cdot), \Psi^*(x, \cdot)$ such that:

$$\mathcal{L}(x, j) = \Psi(x, j) + \Psi^*(x, F(x)) - F(x) \cdot j.$$

Hence for the typical flux:

$$k_{fw}(x) - k_{bw}(x) = j = \nabla_{\zeta} \Psi^*(x, F(x)).$$

Force-response relation!

Specifically for reaction networks:

$$F_r(x) = \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{k_r(x)}{k_{bw(r)}(x)}, \quad \Psi^*(x, \zeta) := 2 \sum_{r \text{ fw}} \sqrt{k_r(x) k_{bw}(r)} (\cosh(\zeta_r) - 1).$$

2. Decomposing the force

Th. [Bertini et al 2002, Mielke, Peletier, R. 2014, R. 2018, R., Zimmer 2021].

If the *stochastic* system $X^n(t)$ is in detailed balance w.r.t. invariant measure

$$\Pi^n(x) \stackrel{n \rightarrow \infty}{\sim} e^{-n\mathcal{V}(x)}$$

for some nonnegative „quasipotential“ \mathcal{V} , then

$$F(x) = -\frac{1}{2}\Gamma^\top \nabla \mathcal{V}(x).$$

If *not* in detailed balance, we define:

$$F^{\text{sym}}(x) := -\frac{1}{2}\Gamma^\top \nabla \mathcal{V}(x), \quad F^{\text{asym}}(x) := F(x) - F^{\text{sym}}(x).$$

steady state of (RRE)

Th. [Patterson, R., Sharma 2024]. For mass-action kinetics:

stochastic system $X^n(t)$ in Complex Balance $\iff \mathcal{V}(x) = \text{RelEnt}(x \mid \pi)$.

Th. [Anderson, Craciun, Kurtz 2010, Gao, Liu 2022]. For mass-action kinetics:

stochastic system $X^n(t)$ in Complex Balance $\iff \Pi^n(x) = \prod_i \frac{(n\pi_i)^{nx_i}}{(nx_i)!} e^{-n\pi_i}$.

3. Symmetric flow

Set $F^{\text{asym}}(x) = 0$. Corresponds to Detailed Balance!

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}(t) &= \Gamma \nabla \Psi^*(x(t), F^{\text{sym}}(x(t))) \\ &= \Gamma \nabla \Psi^*(x(t), -\frac{1}{2} \Gamma^{\top} \nabla \mathcal{V}(x(t)))\end{aligned}$$

Interpreted as a gradient flow of \mathcal{V} .

All solutions move towards the minimiser π of \mathcal{V} .

Mielke, Peletier, R. 2013,
Mielke, Patterson, Peletier, R. 2014,
Peletier, Rossi, Savaré, Tse 2022,
Peletier, Schlichting 2023,
Hraivoronska, Tse 2023,
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4. Antisymmetric flow

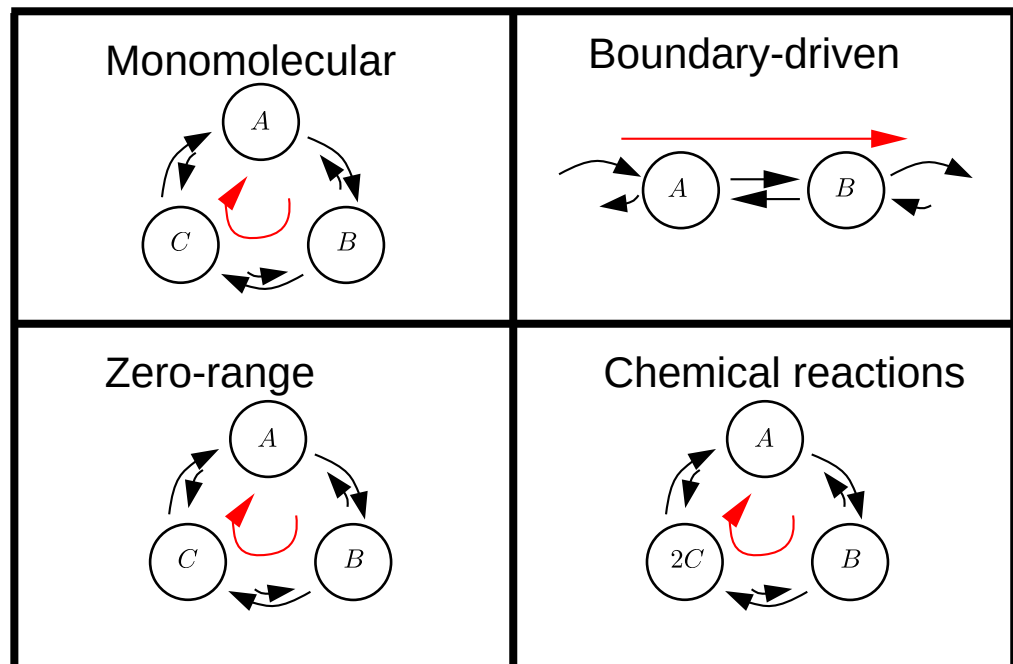
Set $F^{\text{sym}}(x) = 0$.

Corresponds to shutting down entropy!

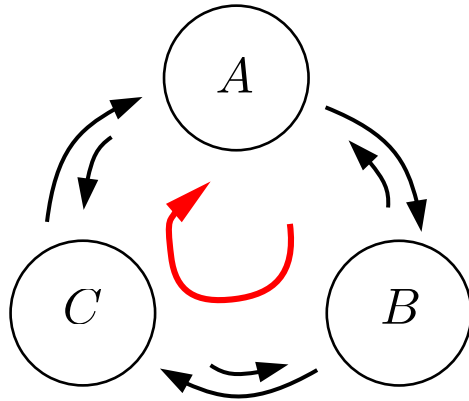
$$\dot{x}(t) = \Gamma \nabla \Psi^*(x(t), F^{\text{asym}}(x(t)))$$

Nothing known in general!

Look at specific examples:

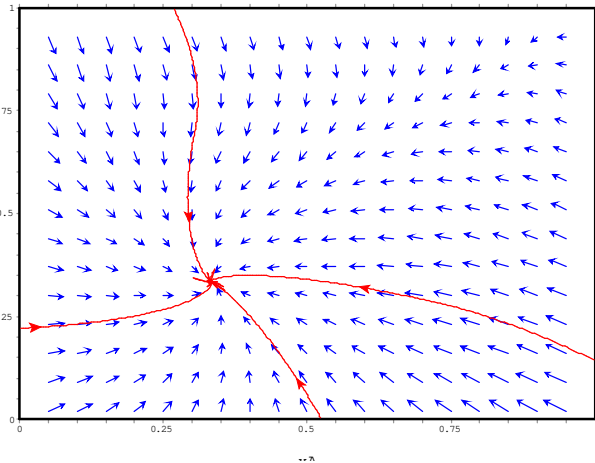


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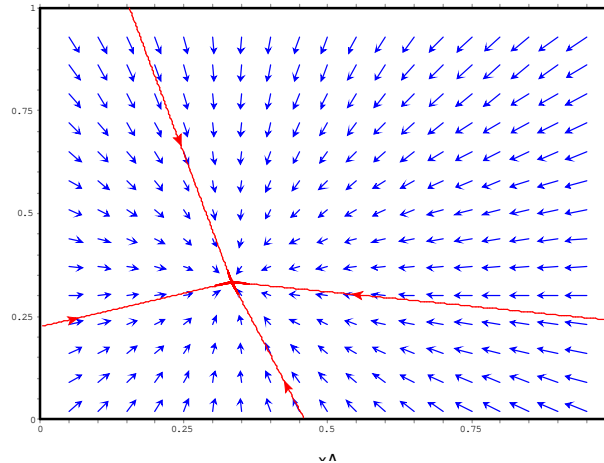
full flow:

$$\dot{x}(t) = \kappa^T x(t)$$



symmetric flow:

$$\dot{x}(t) = \bar{\kappa}^T x(t)$$



$$\bar{\kappa}_{ij} := \sqrt{\frac{\pi_j \kappa_{ij} \kappa_{ji}}{\pi_i}}$$

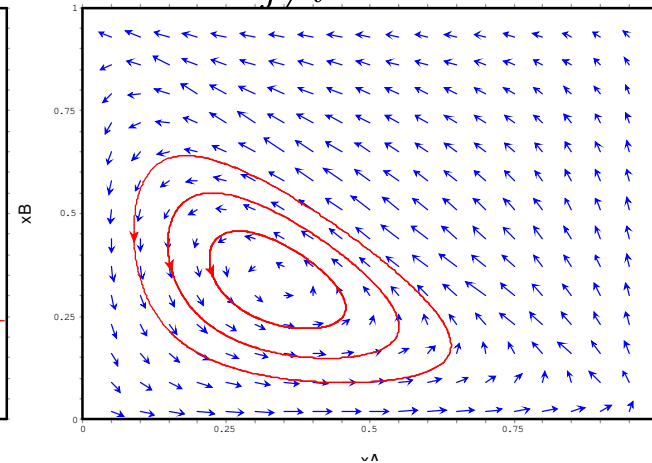
$$F_r(x) = F_{ij}(x) = \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{\kappa_{ij} x_i}{\kappa_{ji} x_j},$$

$$F_{ij}^{\text{sym}}(x) = \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{\pi_j x_i}{\pi_i x_j},$$

$$F_{ij}^{\text{asym}}(x) = \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{\kappa_{ij} \pi_i}{\kappa_{ji} \pi_j}.$$

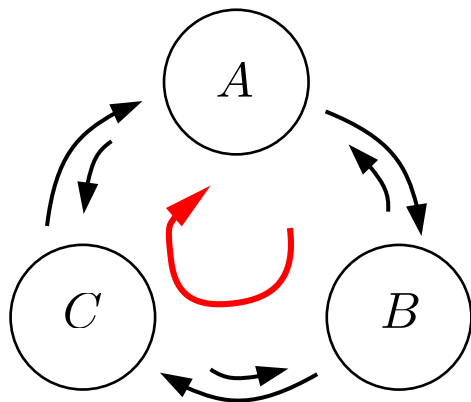
antisymmetric flow:

$$\dot{x}_i(t) = \sum_{j \neq i} A_{ij} \sqrt{x_i(t) x_j(t)}$$



$$A_{ij} := \kappa_{ji} \sqrt{\frac{\pi_j}{\pi_i}} - \kappa_{ij} \sqrt{\frac{\pi_i}{\pi_j}}.$$

Zero-range

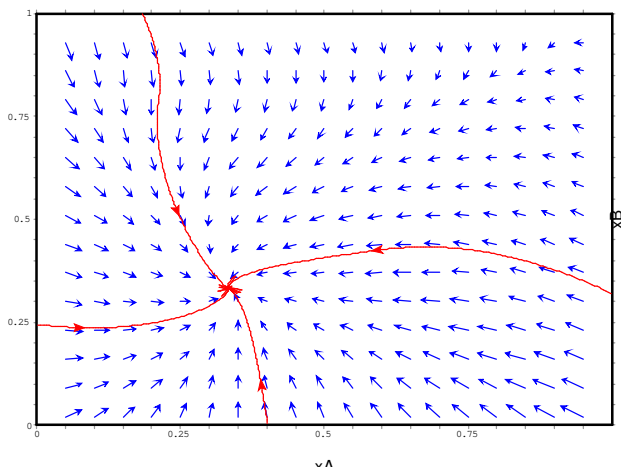


$$F_r(x) = F_{ij}(x) = \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{\kappa_{ij} \pi_i \eta_i (x_i / \pi_i)}{\kappa_{ji} \pi_j \eta_j (x_j / \pi_j)},$$

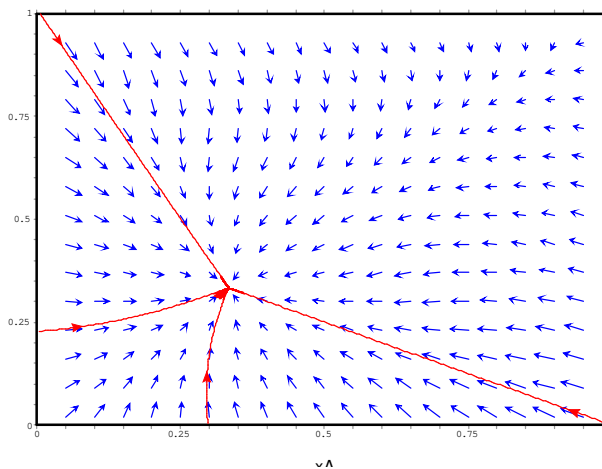
$$F_{ij}^{\text{sym}}(x) = \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{\eta_i (x_i / \pi_i)}{\eta_j (x_j / \pi_j)},$$

$$F_{ij}^{\text{asym}}(x) = \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{\kappa_{ij} \pi_i}{\kappa_{ji} \pi_j}.$$

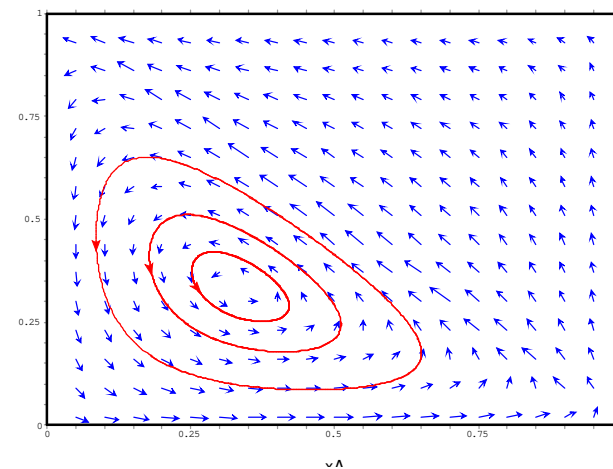
full flow:



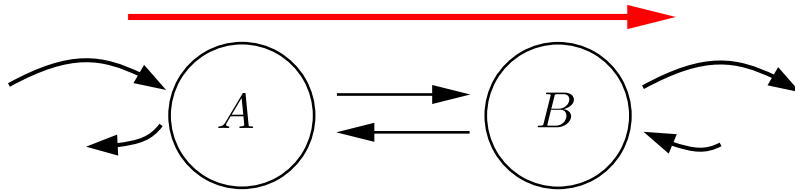
symmetric flow:



antisymmetric flow:



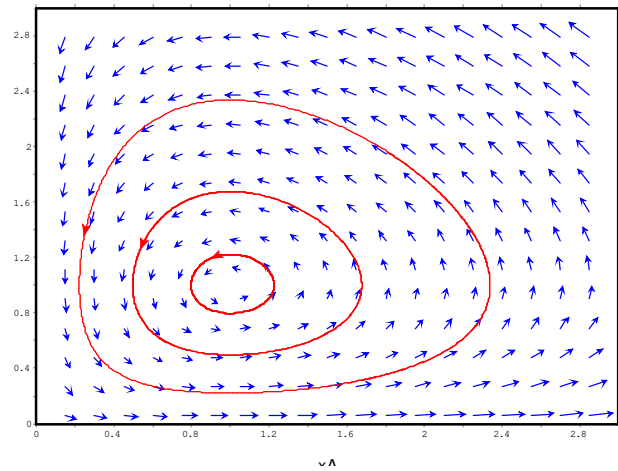
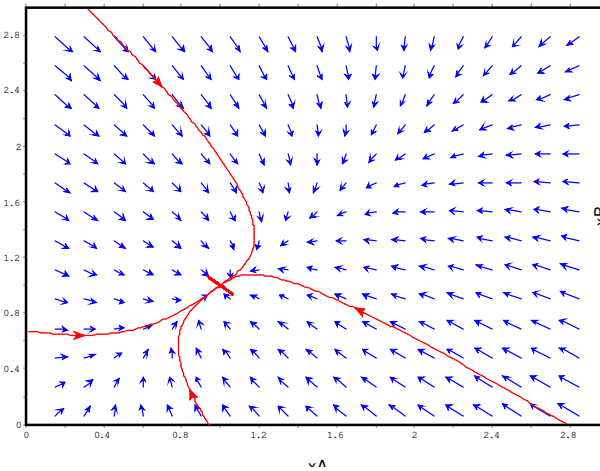
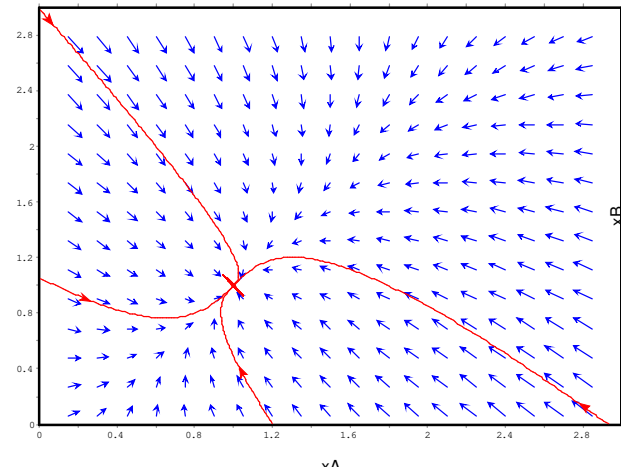
Boundary-driven systems



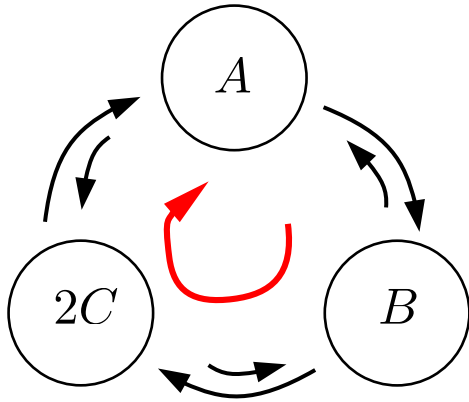
full flow:

symmetric flow:

antisymmetric flow:



Complex-balance mass-action



$$F_r(x) = \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{\kappa_r x^{\alpha^{(r)}}}{\kappa_{\text{bw}(r)} x^{\alpha^{\text{bw}(r)}}},$$

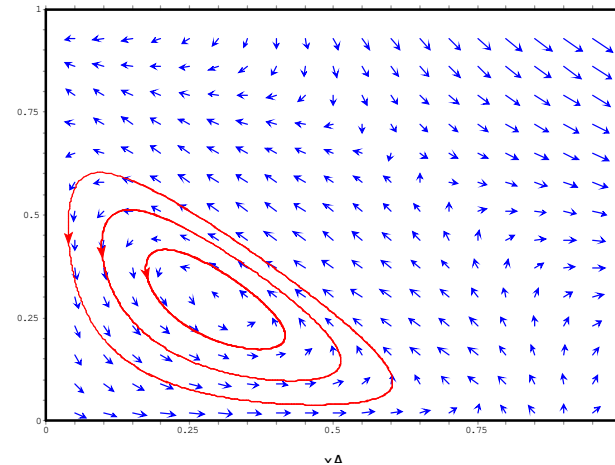
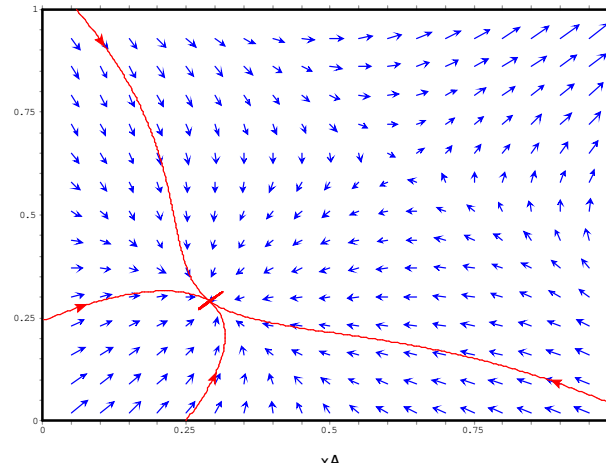
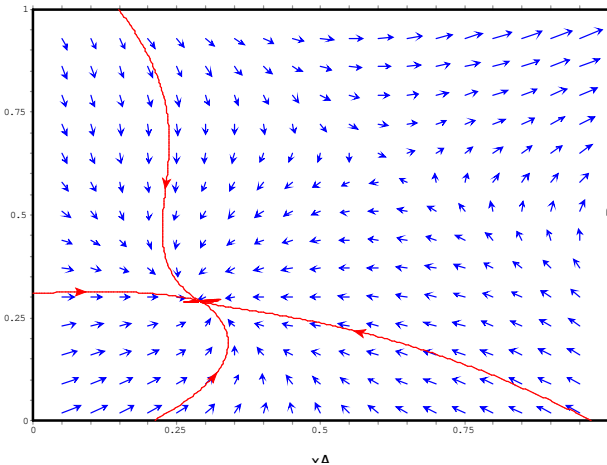
$$F_r^{\text{sym}}(x) = \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{(x/\pi)^{\alpha^{(r)}}}{(x/\pi)^{\alpha^{\text{bw}(r)}}},$$

$$F_r^{\text{asym}}(x) = \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{\kappa_r \pi^{\alpha^{(r)}}}{\kappa_{\text{bw}(r)} \pi^{\alpha^{\text{bw}(r)}}},$$

full flow:

symmetric flow:

antisymmetric flow:



Th. [Patterson, R., Sharma 2024, R., Sharma 2022, R. 2024]. For:

- Monomolecular reactions,
- Zero-range process,
- Mono/Zero-range with open boundaries,

the antisymmetric flow $\dot{x}(t) = \Gamma \nabla \Psi^*(x(t), F^{\text{asym}}(x(t))) = \mathbb{J}(x(t)) \nabla \mathcal{E}(x(t))$ is a **Hamiltonian** system.

Antisymmetric flow for

- complex-balance mass-action:

$$\dot{x}(t) = \sum_{r \text{ fw}} (\alpha_{\text{bw}(r)} - \alpha_r) \left(\kappa_r \pi^{\frac{\alpha(r) - \alpha^{\text{bw}(r)}}{2}} - \kappa_{\text{bw}(r)} \pi^{\frac{\alpha^{\text{bw}(r)} - \alpha(r)}{2}} \right) x(t)^{\frac{\alpha(r) + \alpha^{\text{bw}(r)}}{2}}.$$

Always periodic orbits?

Hamiltonian system?

Byproduct: entropy production

Along the flow of the RRE:

$$\begin{aligned}
 0 &= \mathcal{L}(x, j) = \Psi(x, j) + \Psi^*(x, F(x)) - F(x) \cdot j \\
 &= \Psi(x, j) + \underbrace{\Psi^*(x, F^{\text{sym}}(x) + F^{\text{asym}})}_{\text{„generalised orthogonality“}} - F^{\text{sym}}(x) \cdot j - F^{\text{asym}}(x) \cdot j \\
 &= \underbrace{\Psi(x, j) + \Psi^*(x, F^{\text{asym}}) - F^{\text{asym}}(x) \cdot j}_{\geq 0} + \underbrace{\tilde{\Psi}^*(x, F^{\text{asym}})}_{\geq 0} - \underbrace{F^{\text{sym}}(x) \cdot j}_{= -\frac{1}{2} \Gamma^T \nabla \mathcal{V}(x) \cdot j} \\
 & \hspace{15em} = -\frac{1}{2} \nabla \mathcal{V}(x) \cdot \Gamma j \\
 & \hspace{15em} = -\frac{1}{2} \nabla \mathcal{V}(x) \cdot \dot{x} \\
 & \hspace{15em} = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \mathcal{V}(x)
 \end{aligned}$$

and so $\frac{d}{dt} \mathcal{V}(x) \leq 0$.

(R., Zimmer 2021, Patterson, R., Sharma 2024)

Consistent with :

„3 faces of 2nd law“ (Freitas, Esposito 2021), and
 „Lyapunov functions“ (Anderson, Craciun, Gopalkrishnan, Wiuf 2015).