

# The Bio-Chemical Information Processing Metaphor as a Programming Paradigm for Organic Computing

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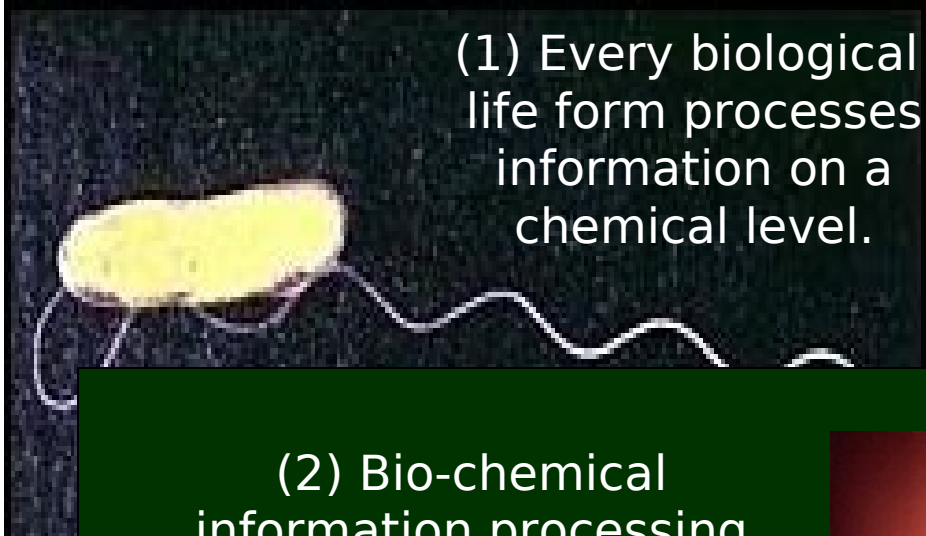
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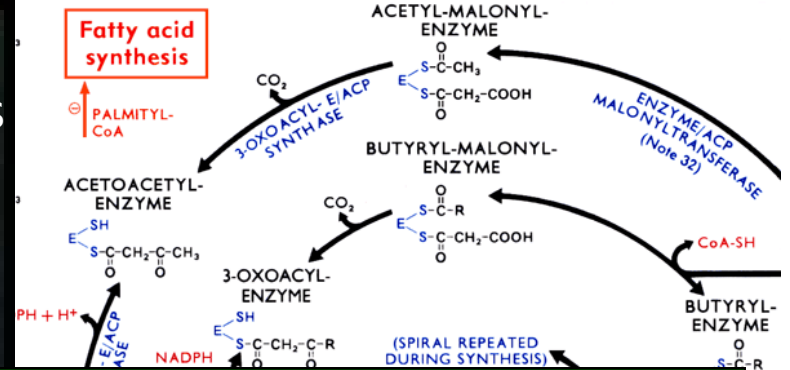
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# Motivation



(1) Every biological life form processes information on a chemical level.

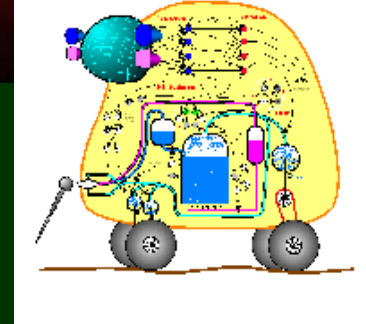
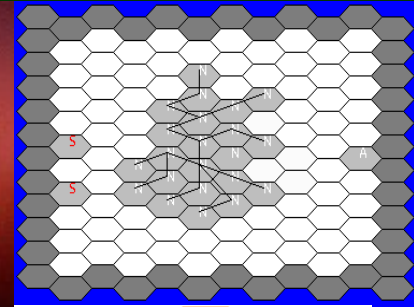


(2) Bio-chemical information processing possesses a series of valuable self-x properties

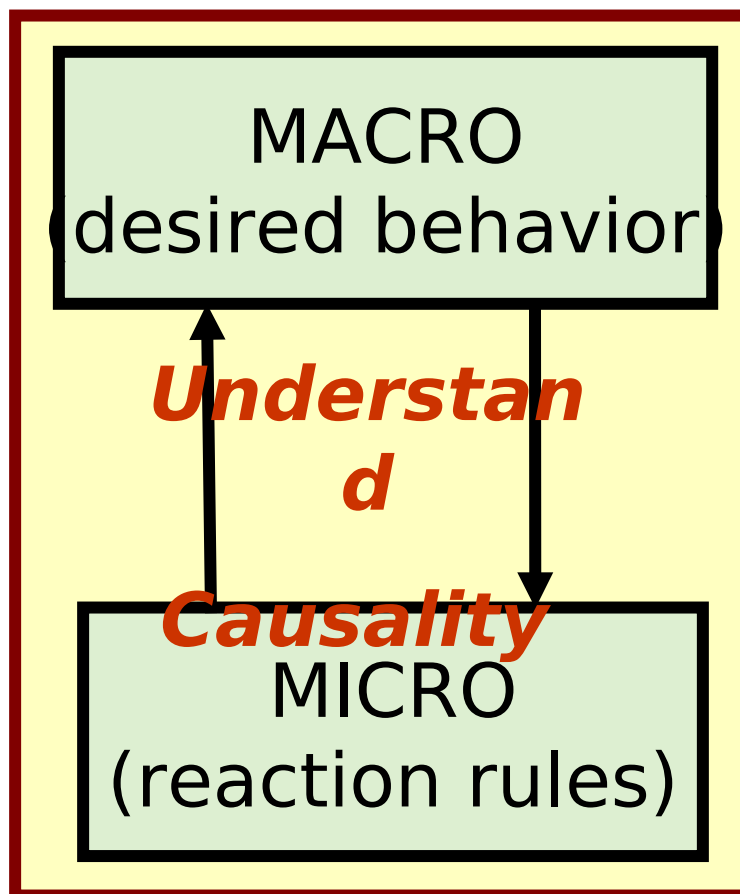
(3) Chemical programming appears to be difficult.



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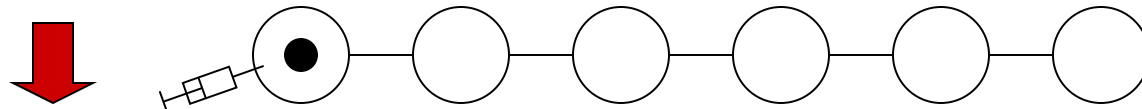
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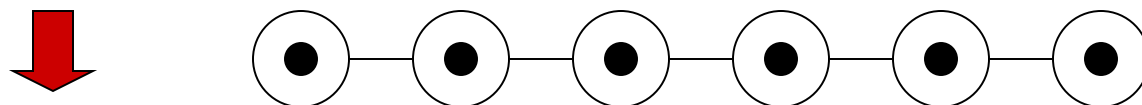
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# Sketch of an Example Application

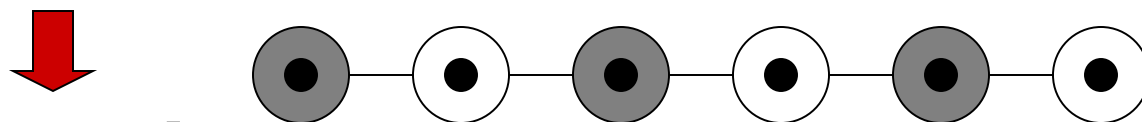
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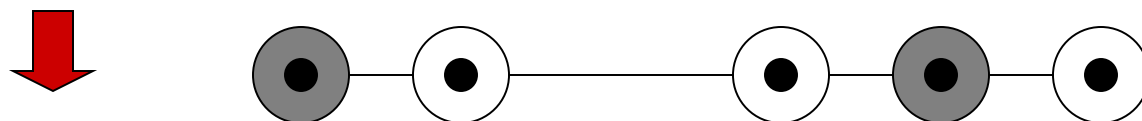
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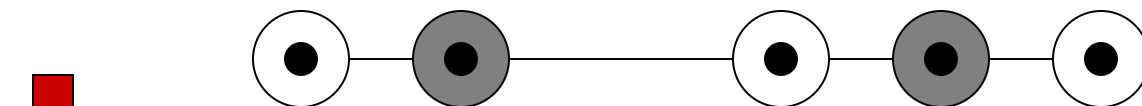
**3. Cells differentiate (self-organize)**



**4. A cell is removed**



**5. Reorganize**



# Aim

*How to program chemical-like systems?*

# Results

1. Chemical Programming Paradigm
2. Programming Environment
3. Case Studies and Evaluation

# 1. Chemical Programming Paradigm

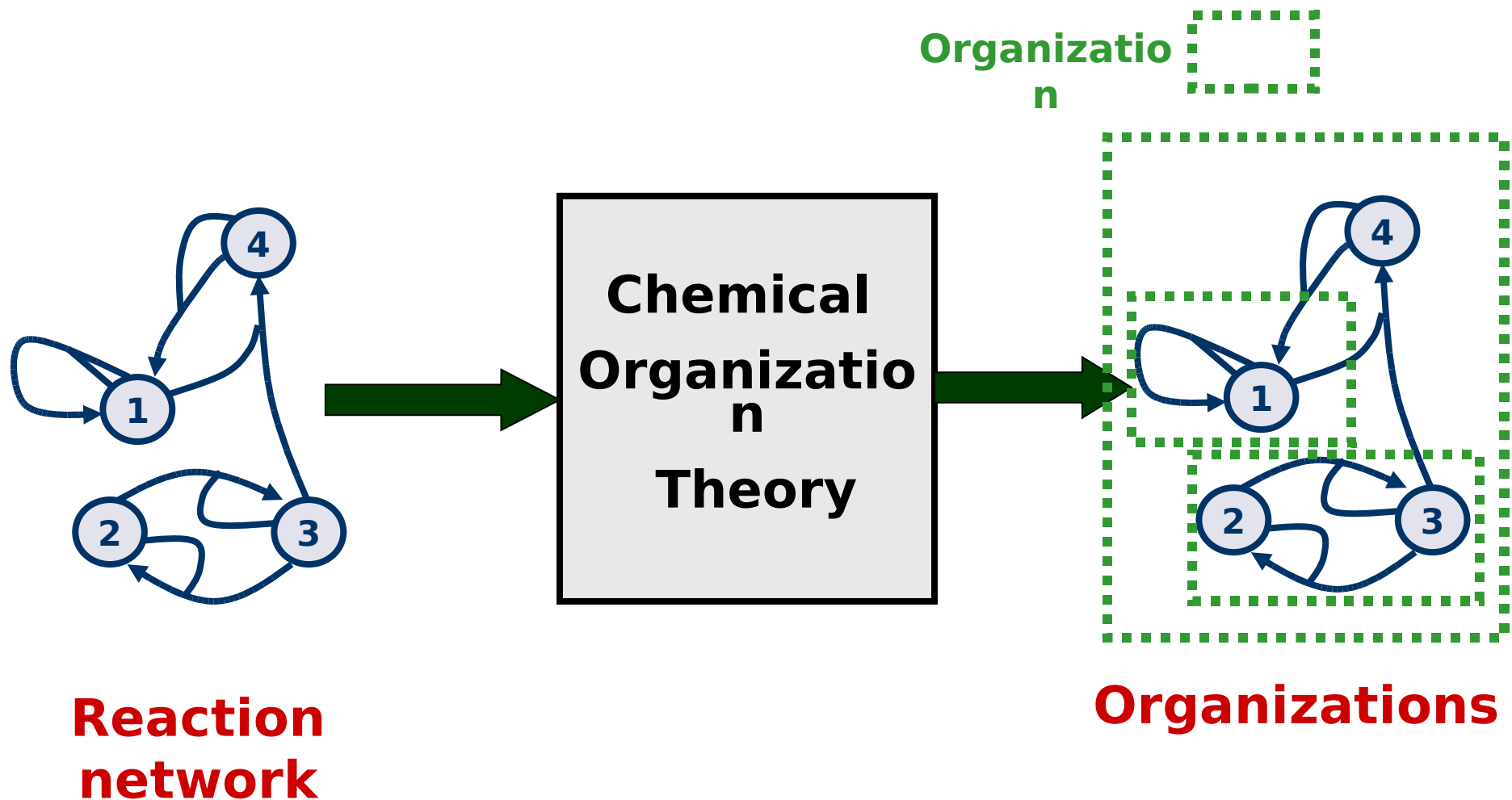


“Organization Oriented Programming”

Computation should appear as a movement within the set of organizations.

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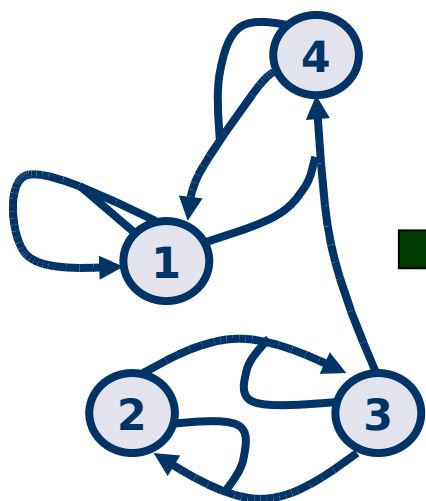
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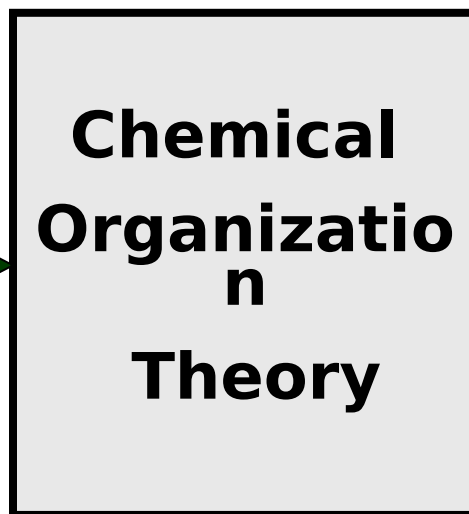
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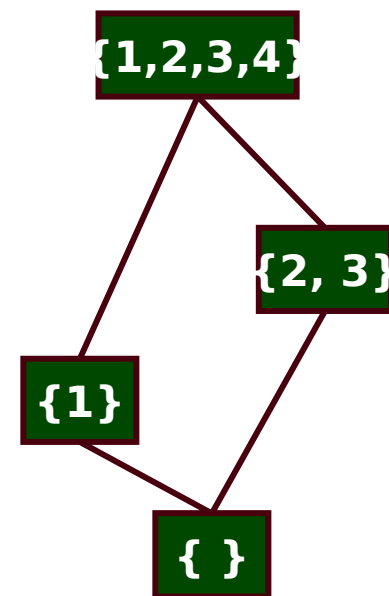
# Practical View



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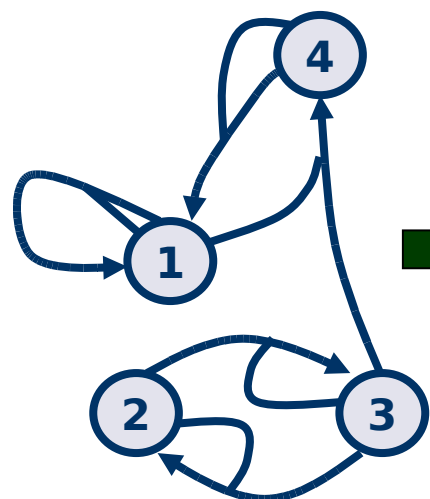
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of organizations



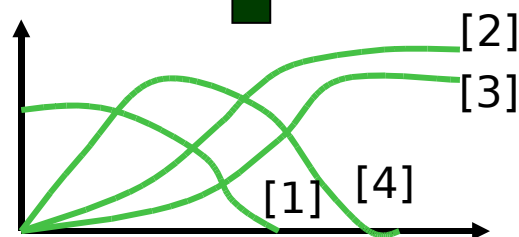
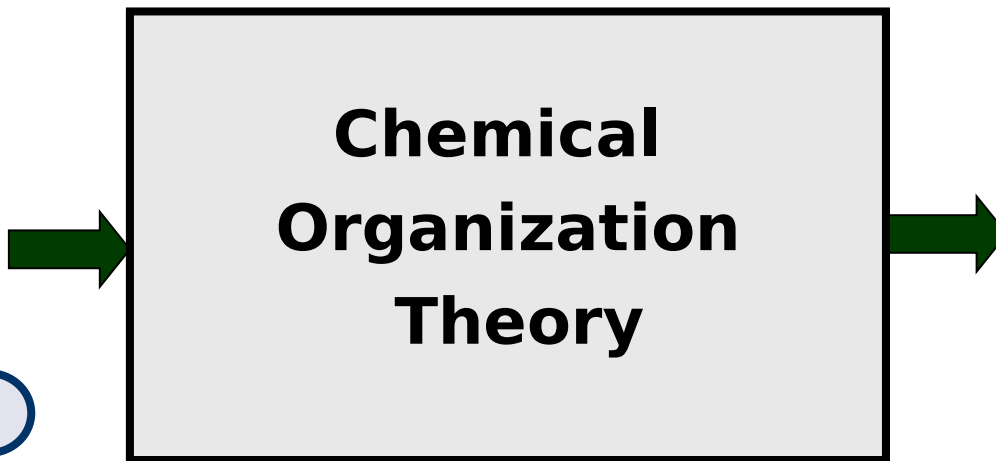
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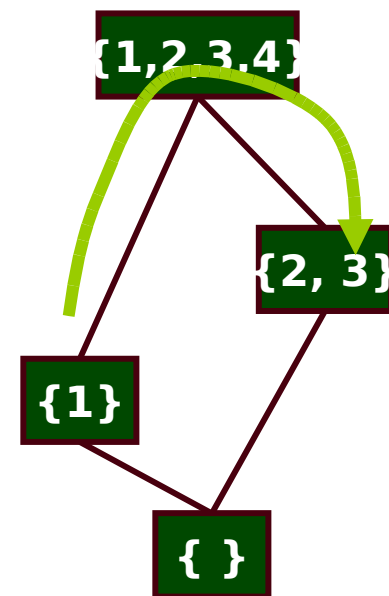


**Reaction network**



**Dynamics**

Hasse diagram of organizations



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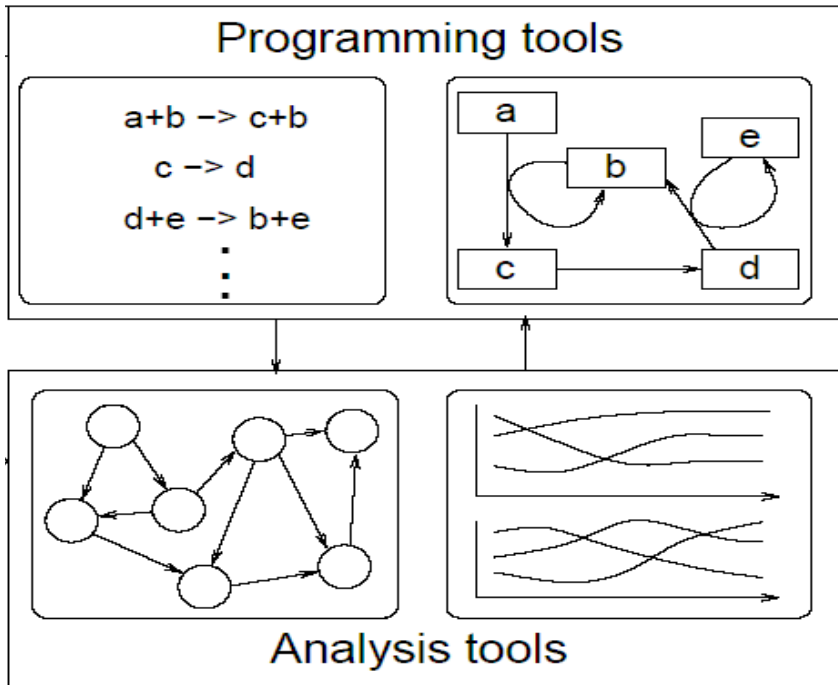
# Organization Oriented Design Principles



1. For each solution there must be (at least) one organization containing the desired output molecules.
2. Eliminate as many other organizations as possible.
3. There must be a pathway from the input set to the desired organization.
4. The set of input molecules must generate an organization containing the target organization.
5. Make sure that the target organization is stable from a stoichiometric point of view.

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# 2. Programming Environment



- Programming
  - List of reaction rules  
(Text editor)
  - Network structure  
(CellDesigner.org)
- Analysis
  - Static, structural  
(OrgAnalyser)  
(FluxAnalyzer)
  - Dynamical  
(ODESolver)  
(Copasi)

- Protocols  
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N. Matsumaru, P. Dittrich,  
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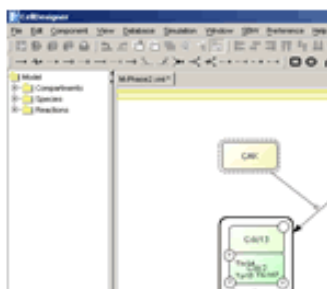
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Reactions

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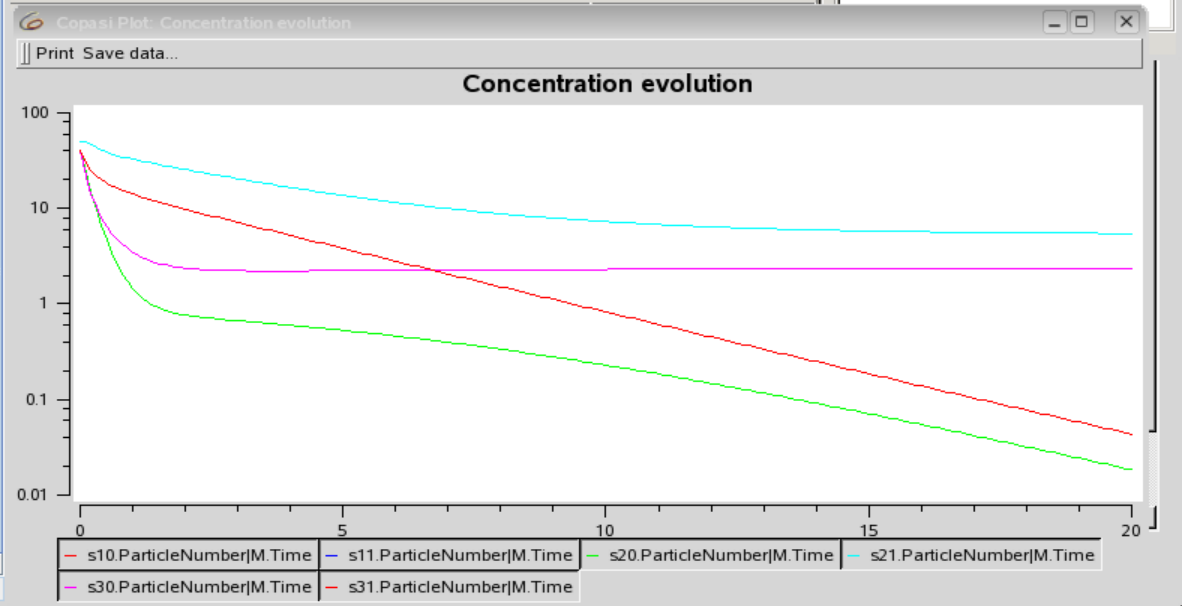
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# 3. Evaluation and Case Studies

- Logic gates  
(e.g., chemical xor)
- Boolean networks  
(e.g., chemical flip-flop)
- Maximum independent set

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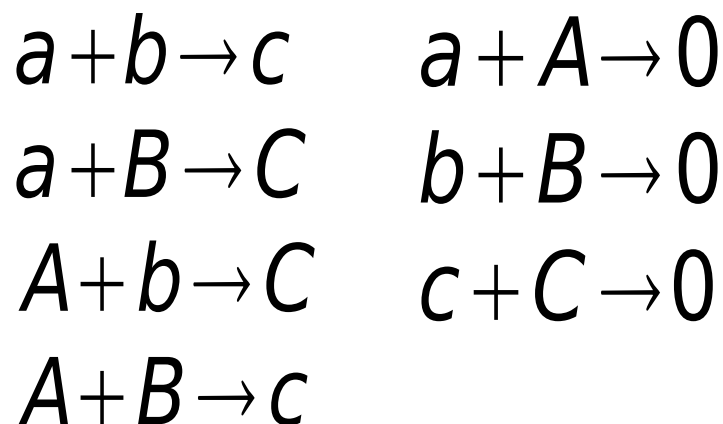
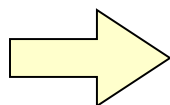
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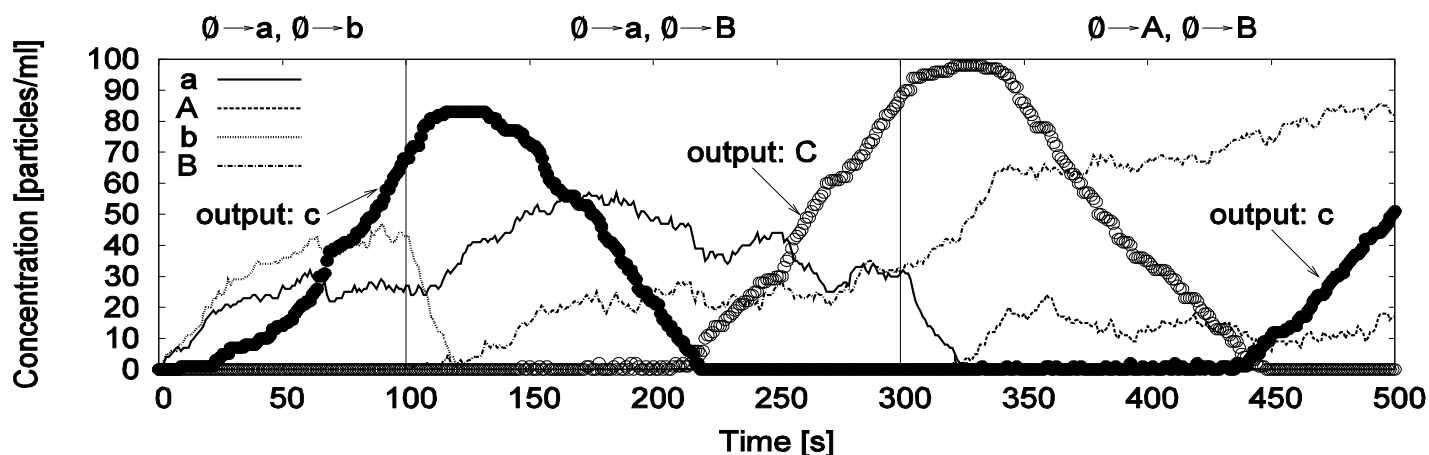
# Chemical XOR

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0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0



$a : a == 0$

$A : a == 1$

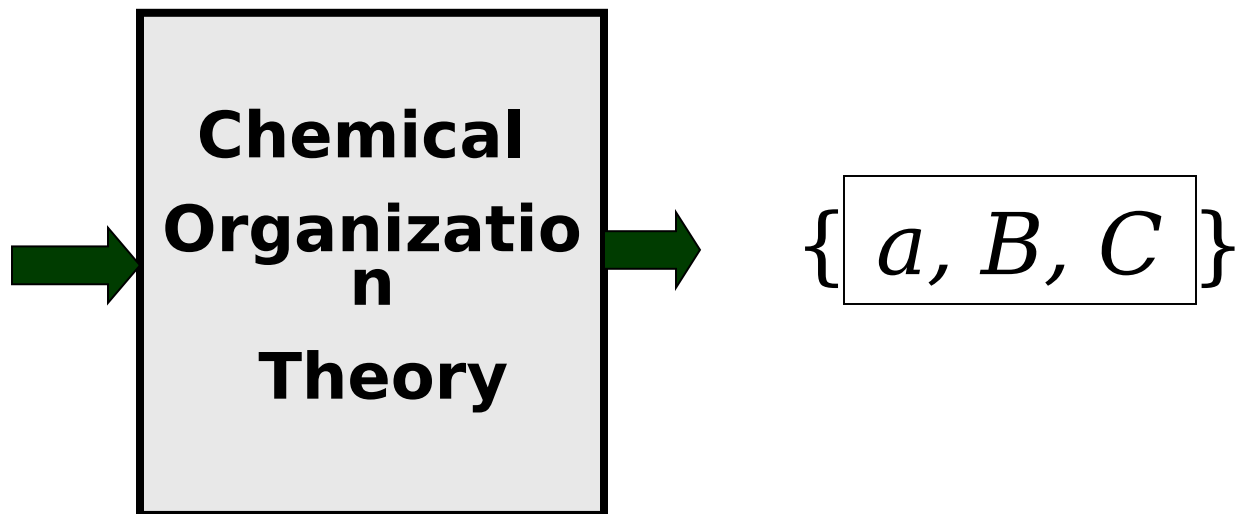
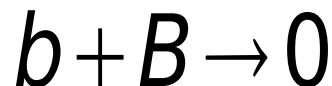
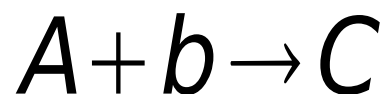
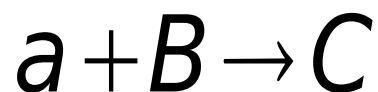
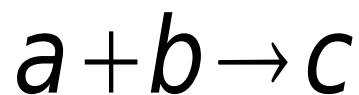


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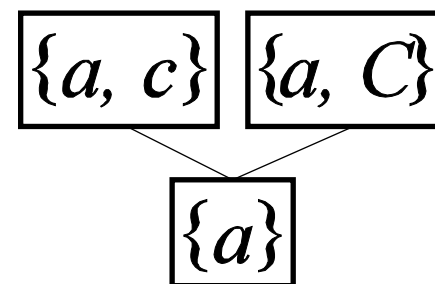
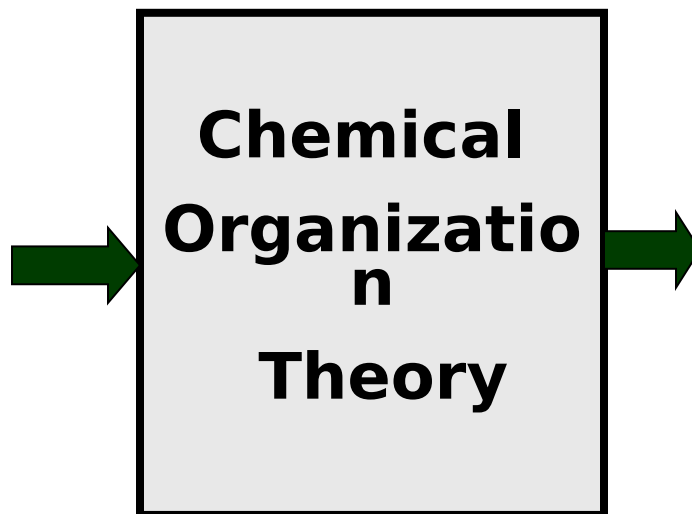
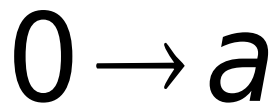
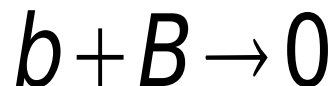
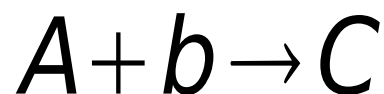
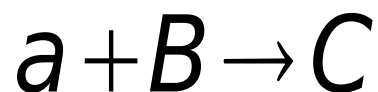
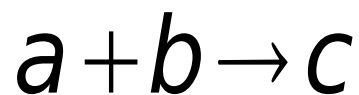
# Chemical XOR (two inputs)



**Organizations**

$0 \rightarrow a \quad 0 \rightarrow B$   $64$  possible sets of molecular species  
*1 is an organization*

# Chemical XOR (with one input)

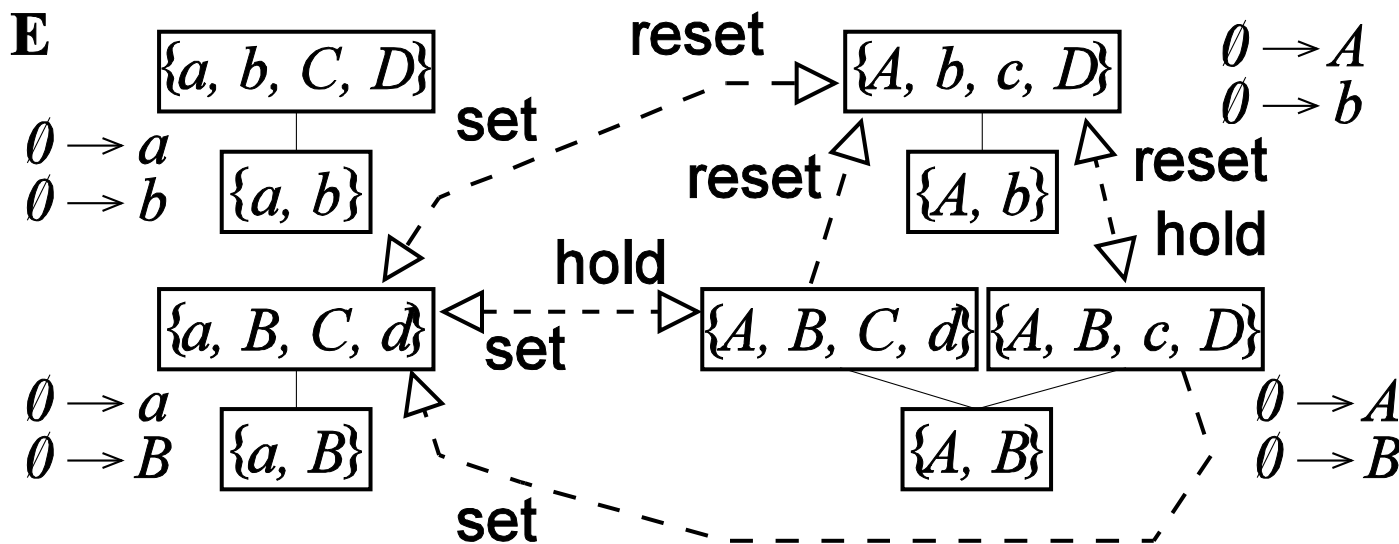
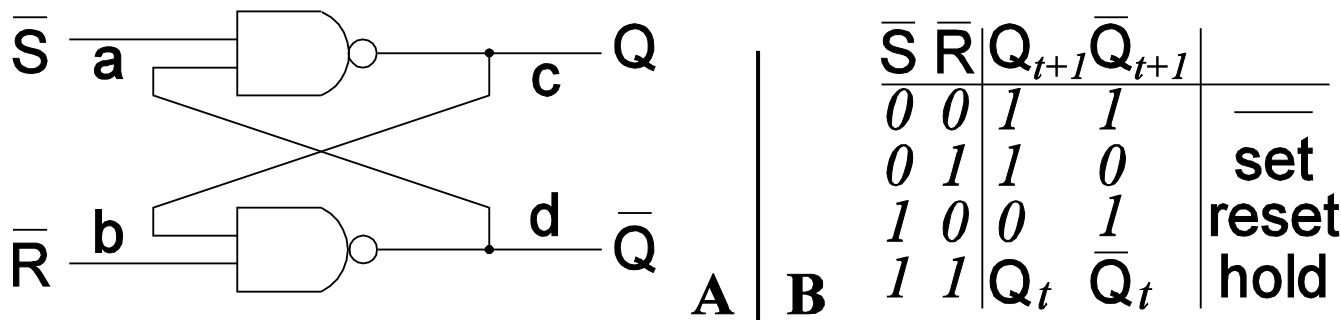


**Organizations**

**Reaction network** *64 possible sets of molecular species*  
*3 are an organization*

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# Chemical Flip-Flop (with two inputs)



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# Maximal Independent Set

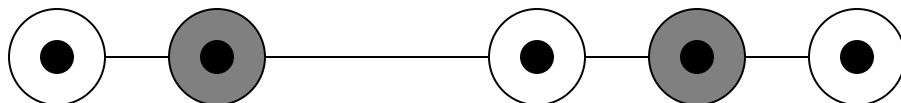
- **Def. [Independent set]**

A set of vertices no two of which are adjacent

- **Def. [Maximal Independent set]**

Given an undirected graph, an independent set is maximal if no vertex can be added to the independent set.

Note: Maximal independent set is different from maximum independent set.



There are two maximal independent sets.

The maximum independent set has the size of 3.

# Algorithms for MIS problem

- Under central daemon  
[Luby 1985]

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G = ⟨V, E⟩, I ← ∅
while V ≠ ∅ do
begin
    I ← I ∪ {v} | v ∈ V
    V ← V - ({v} ∪ Neigh(v))
end
    
```

- Distributed system [Shukla, et al. 1995]

$$(\forall n \in \text{Neigh}(v), n.\text{Ind} == \text{False}) \mapsto (v.\text{Ind} := \text{True})$$

$$(\exists n \in \text{Neigh}(v), n.\text{Ind} == \text{True}) \mapsto (v.\text{Ind} := \text{False})$$

# Algebraic Chemistry for MIS problem

$$M = \{s_i^0, s_i^1 \mid i = 1, \dots, N\}$$

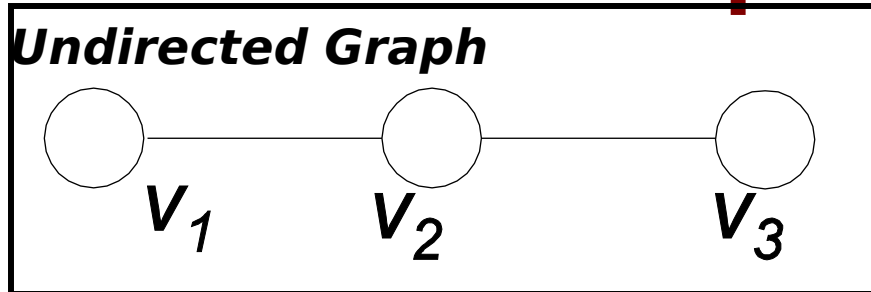
$s_i^{\text{bin}}$  ← Membership to the independent set  
 ← Vertex ID

$$R = \bigcup_{i=1}^N R^i \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \underbrace{s_j^0 + s_k^0 + \dots + s_l^0}_{n_i: \text{number of neighbors}} \rightarrow n_i s_i^1 \\ \{s_j^1 \rightarrow s_i^0 \mid (v_i, v_j) \in E\} \\ s_i^0 + s_i^1 \rightarrow \emptyset \end{array} \right.$$

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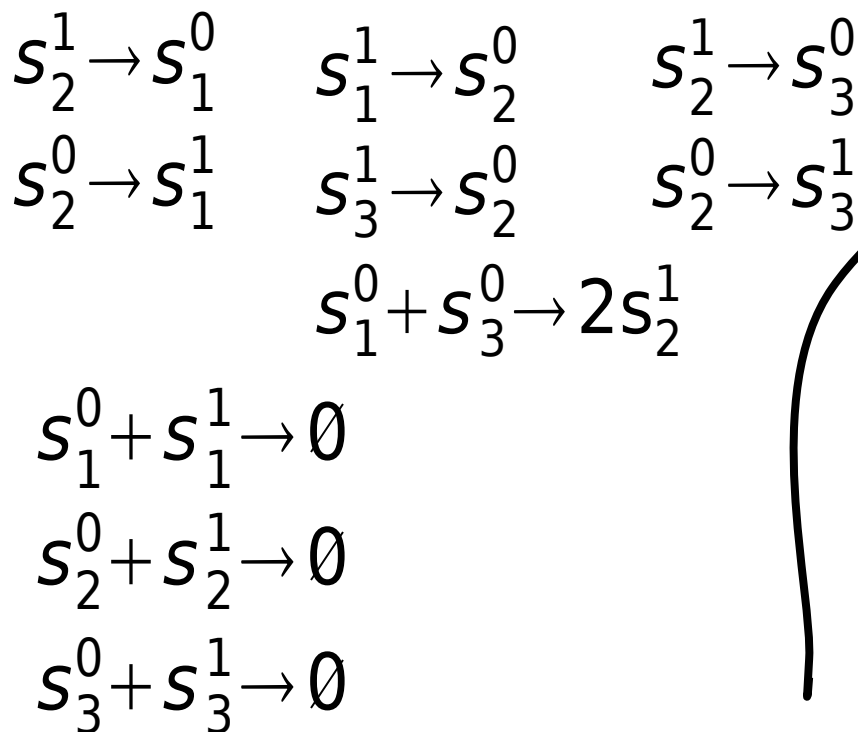
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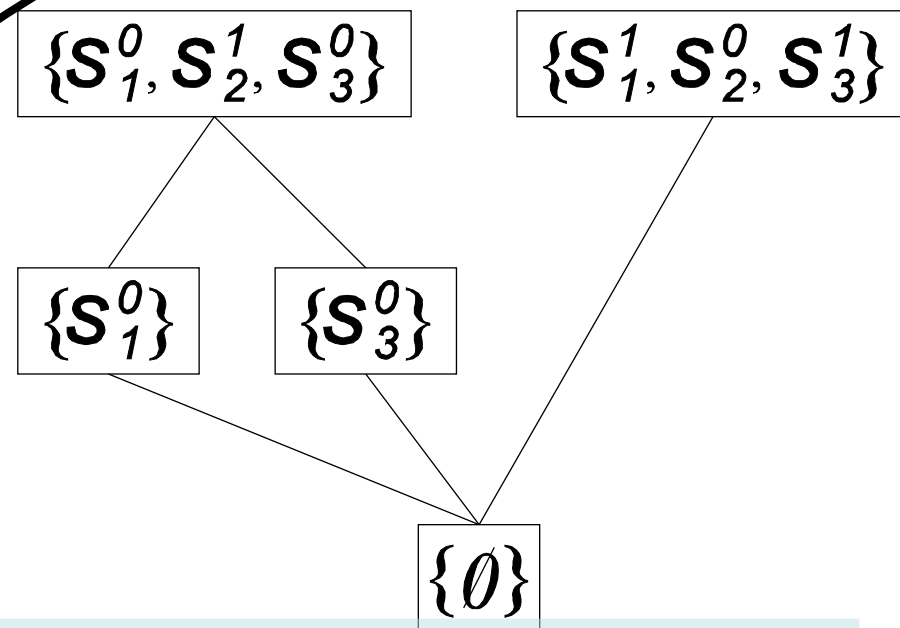


**Reaction Network**

$$M = \{ s_1^0, s_1^1, s_2^0, s_2^1, s_3^0, s_3^1 \}$$



**Organizational structure**



# „Chemical Organization“

## Organization

a set of molecules that is  
(algebraically) **closed** and  
**self-maintaining**

There is no reaction producing any other molecules than the member of the set.

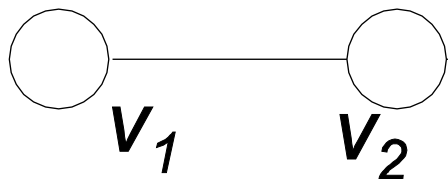
Within the set, all molecules consumed by a reaction can be reproduced by a reaction.

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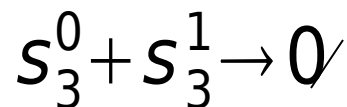
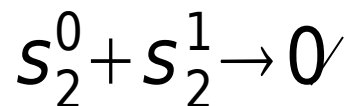
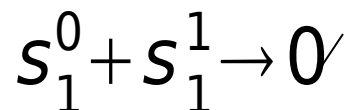
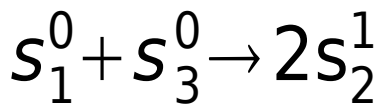
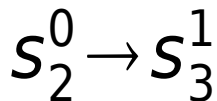
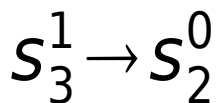
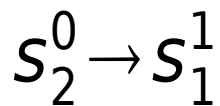
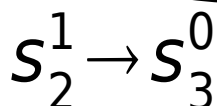
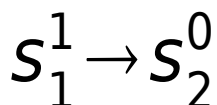
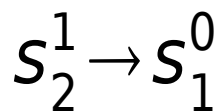


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**Organizational structure**

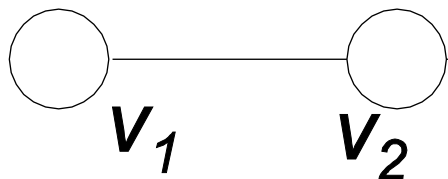


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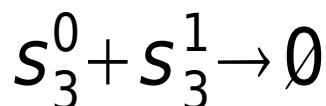
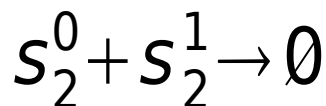
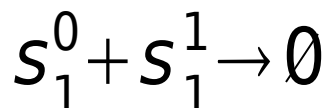
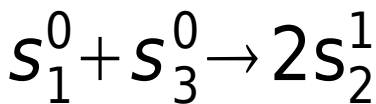
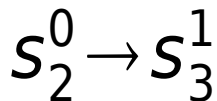
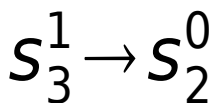
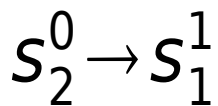
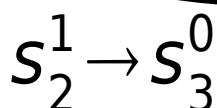
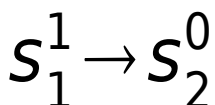
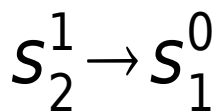
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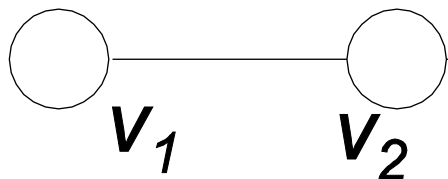
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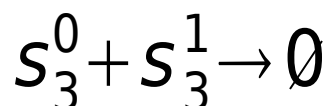
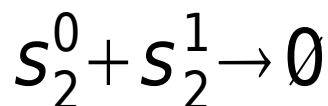
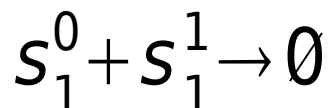
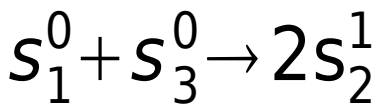
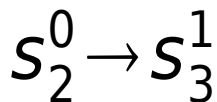
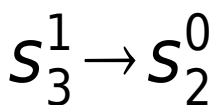
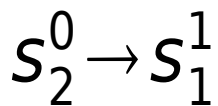
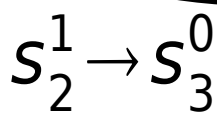
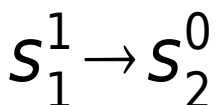
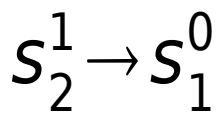
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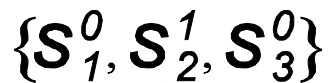
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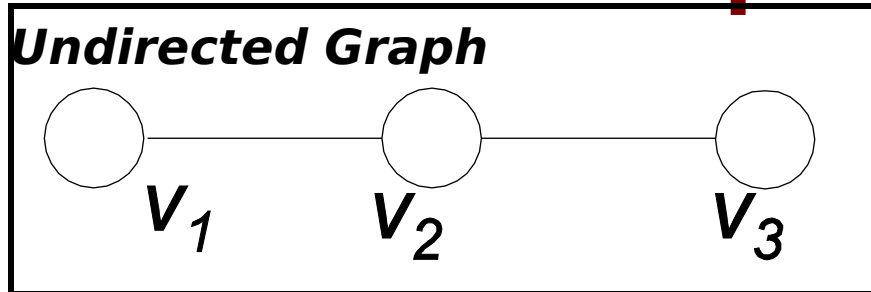


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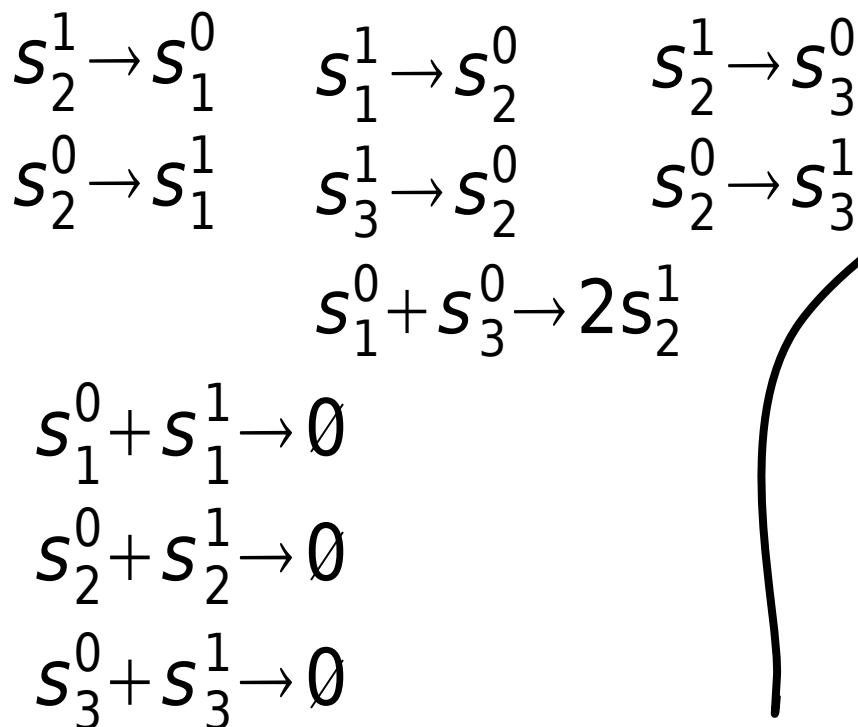
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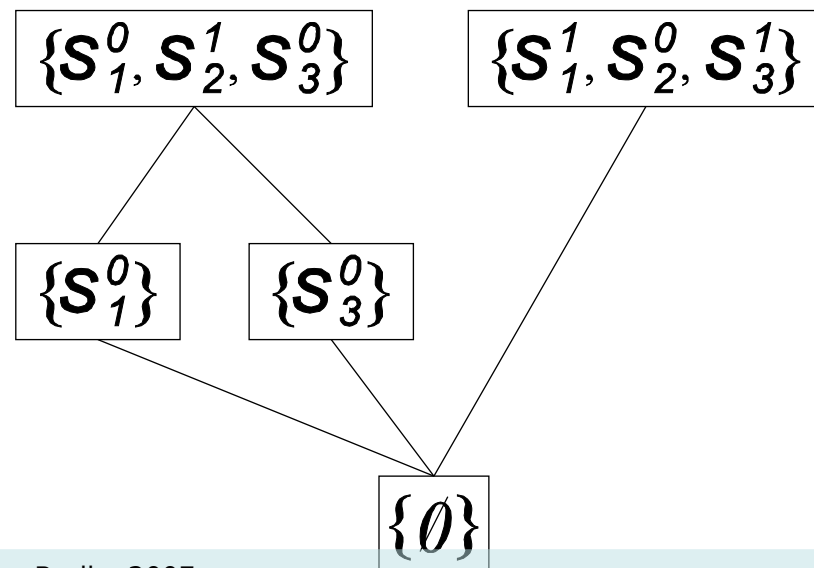


**Reaction Network**

$$M = \{ s_1^0, s_1^1, s_2^0, s_2^1, s_3^0, s_3^1 \}$$



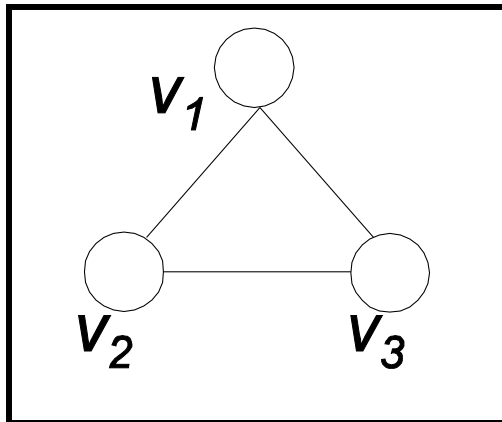
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$$s_2^1 \rightarrow s_1^0$$

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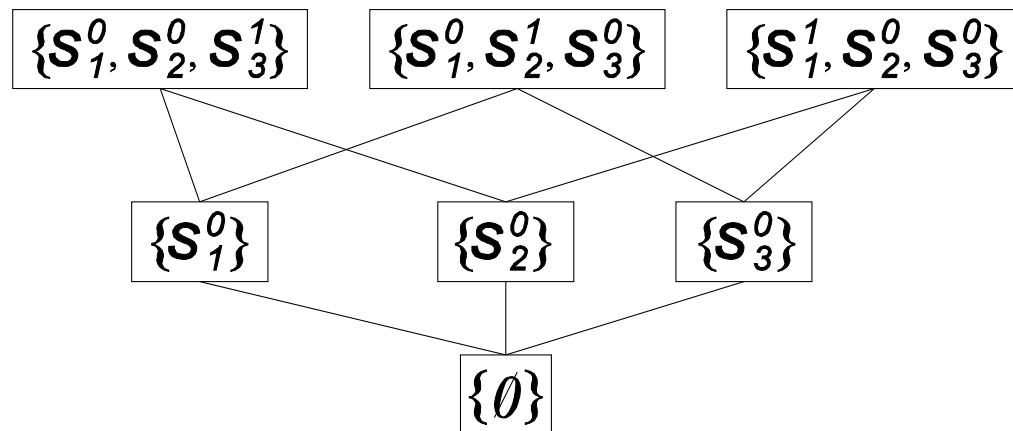
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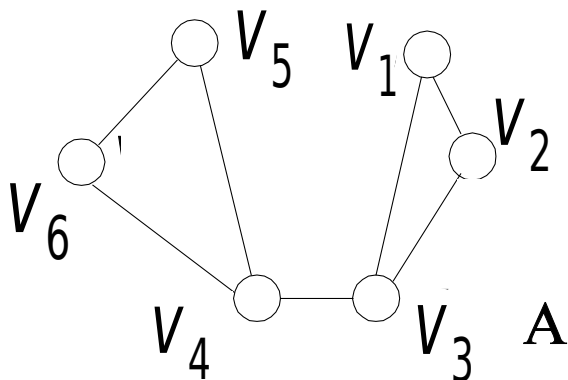
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# Algebraic Chemistry for MIS problem

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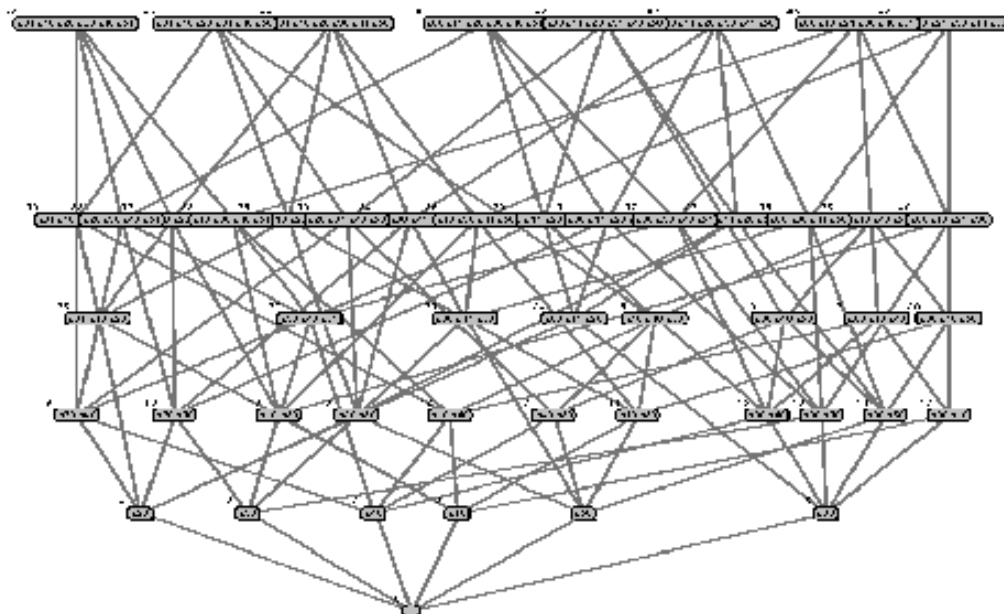
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## Reaction network

$M$ : 12 molecular species

$R$ : 32 reaction rules



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# Current and Future Work

1. Structured Molecules
- 2.
3. Quantitative Evaluation
- 4.
5. Demonstrator (sensor network scenario)
- 6.
7. Intrinsic vs. Extrinsic Self-Organization

# 1. Structured Molecules

Example: implicitly defined molecules

$$M = \{ 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, \}$$

Example: implicitly defined reaction rules

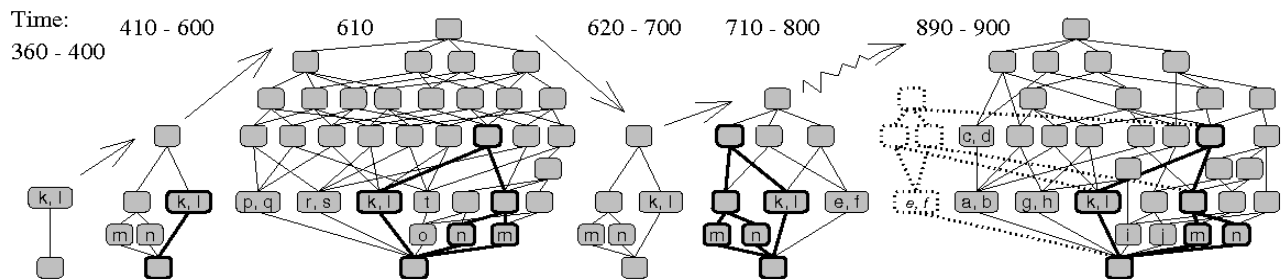
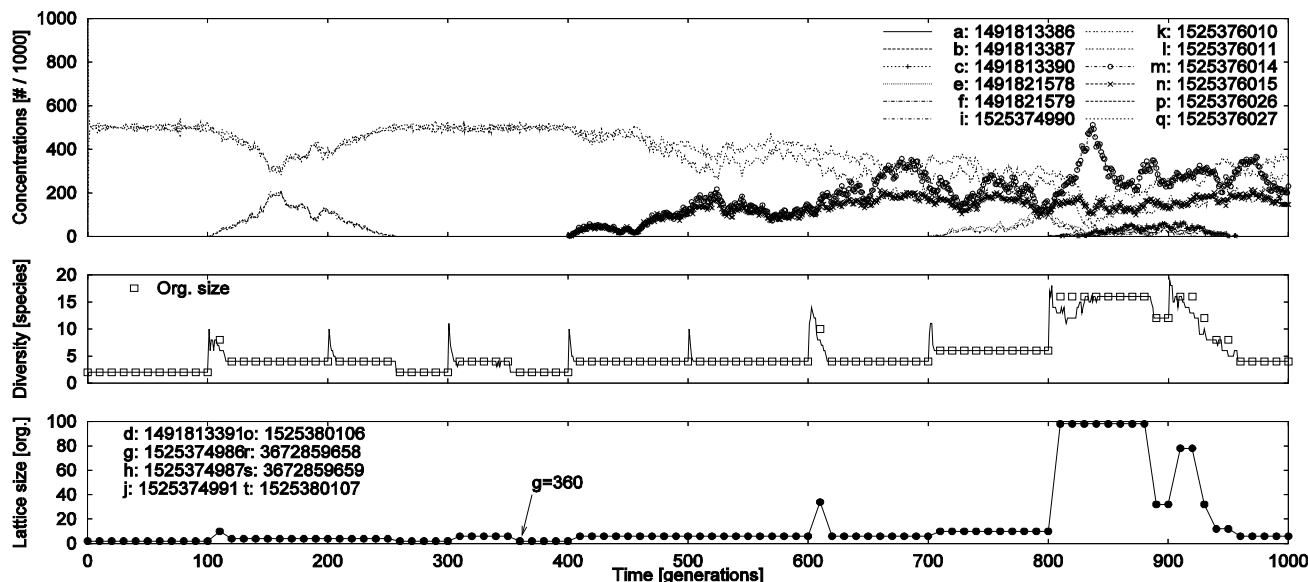
$$a + b \rightarrow c \quad \text{with } c = a + b \text{ mod } 4711$$



# 1. Candidates to be evaluated

- Bit strings and Boolean expressions
- Pattern matching
- Interacting finite state machines
- Scheme
- String-based P-systems
- Fraglets

# 1. Preliminary Study of 32-bit-Sized Interacting Machines



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# 1. Structured Molecules: Fraglets



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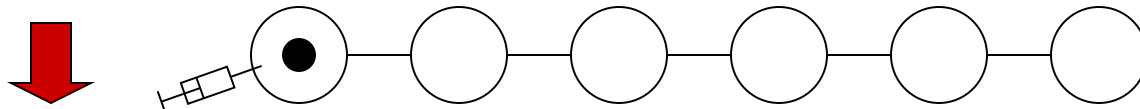
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## 2. Quantitative Evaluation

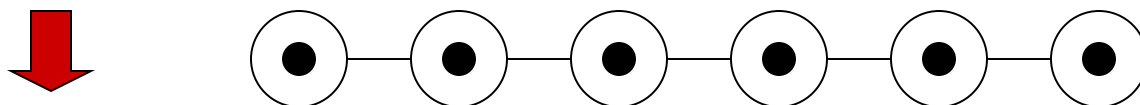
- **Robustness**  
 e.g., probability of failure after perturbation
- **Efficiency of self-organization**  
 e.g., transient time until desired result appears
- **Scalability**  
 How do robustness and efficiency scale with system/problem size?

# 2. Benchmark Problem

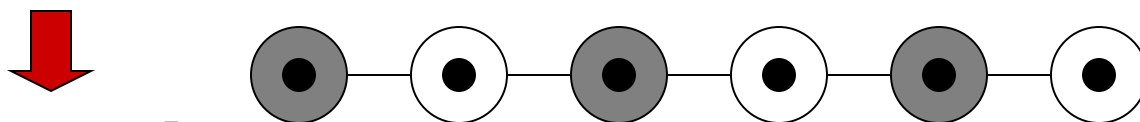
**1. Inject molecules**



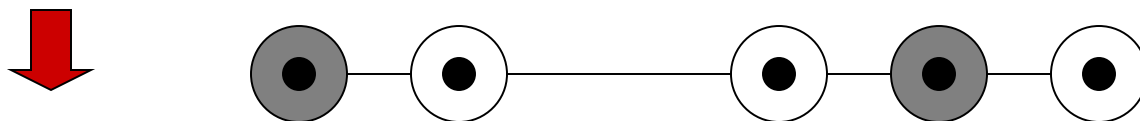
**2. Molecules distribute**



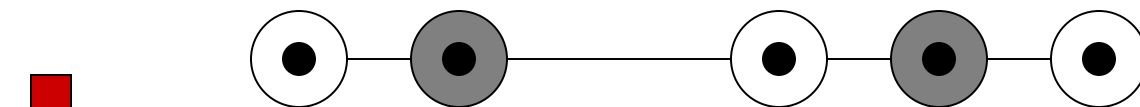
**3. Cells differentiate (self-organize)**



**4. A cell is removed**



**5. Reorganize**



# Benchmark Problem

Bookmarks Tools Help

http://cvs.cens.ucla.edu/emstar/

## EmStar: Software for Wireless Se

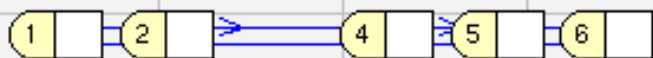
by The EmStar Team

2005/07/28

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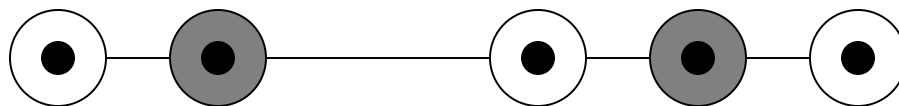
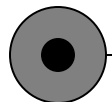
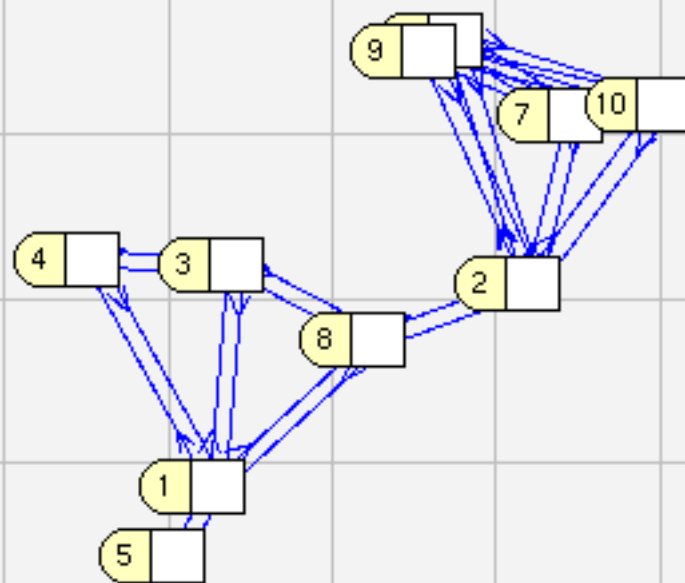
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# 3. Demonstrator

- Real sensor network

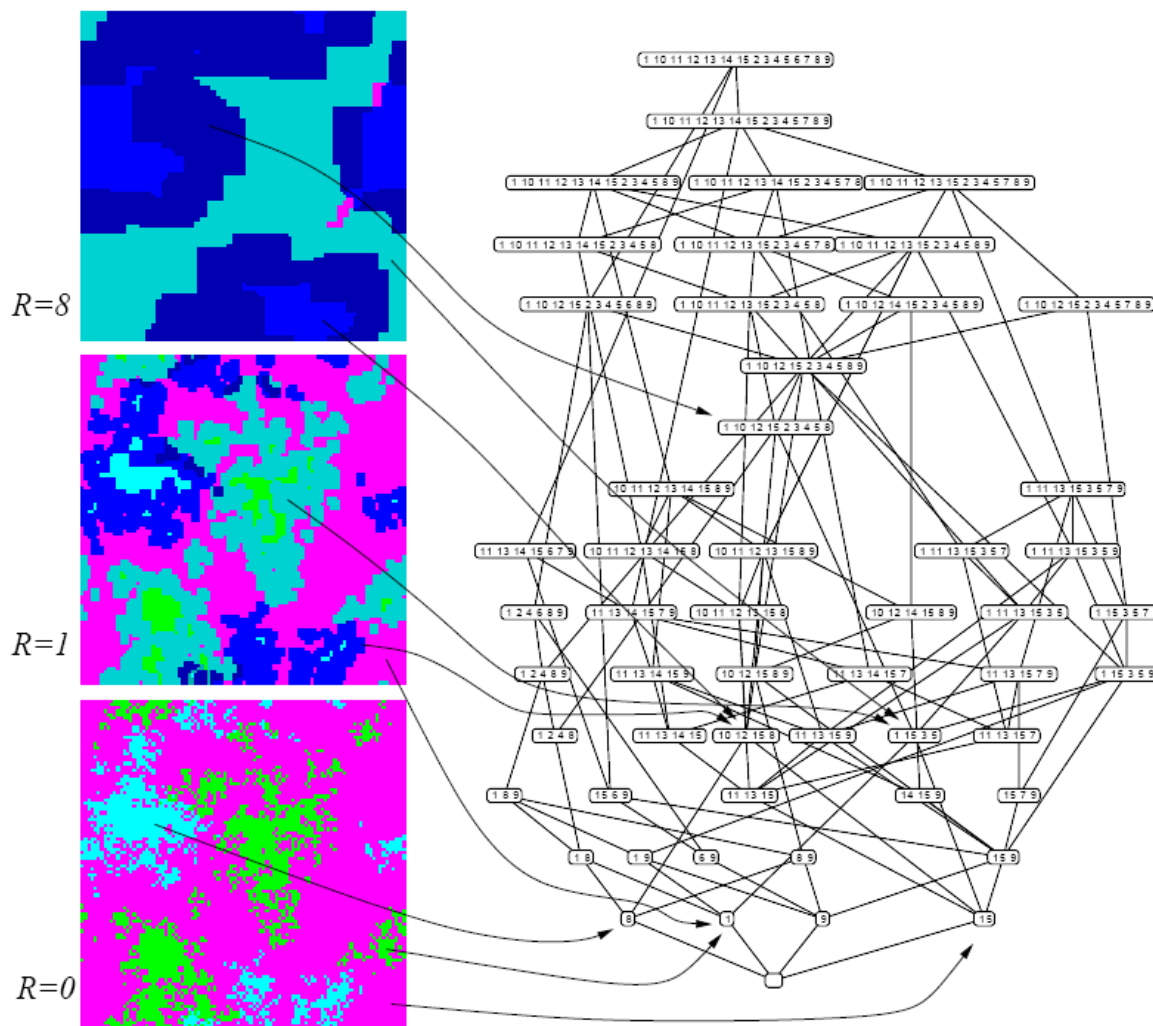
# 4. Intrinsic vs. Extrinsic Self-Organization



- Focus so far: How to *program*?
- In this WP: How to *control*?



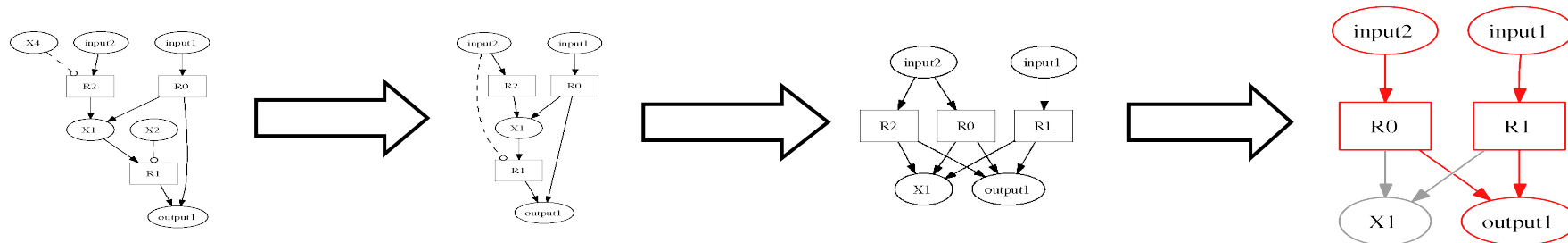
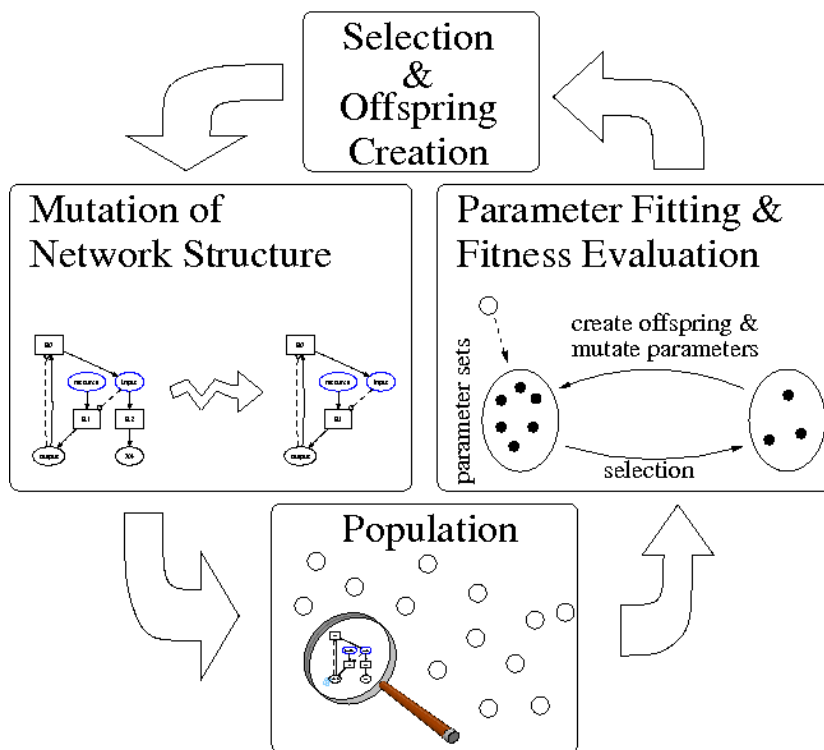
# Space



# Evolutionary Design



<http://www.esignet.net>



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# Final Remarks

- Mini-Workshop on chemical-like/particle based organic computing approaches.

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# Story

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