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## A Sensitivity Analysis for Rule-based Systems Chemistry

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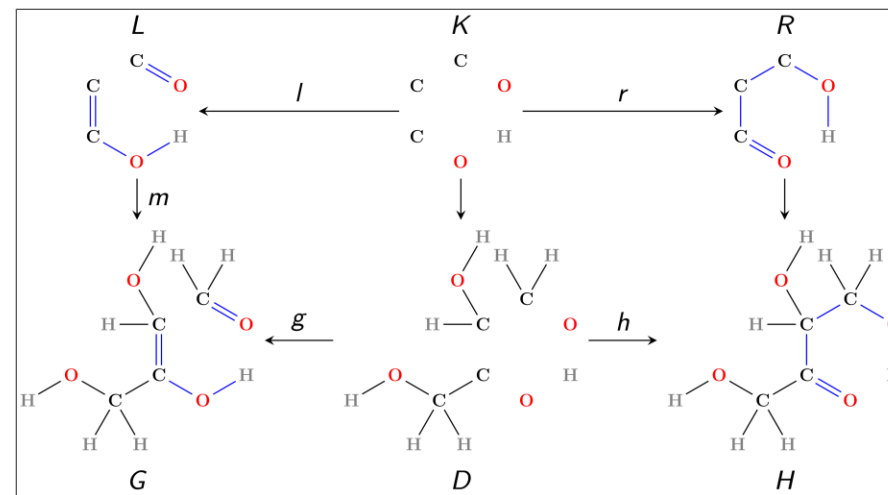
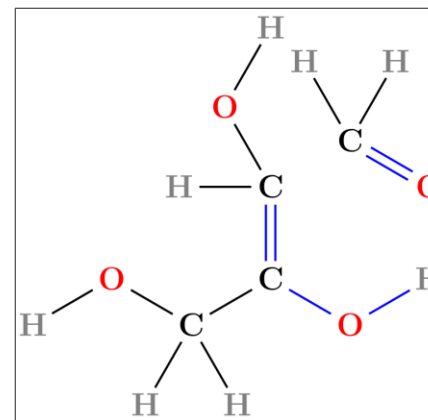
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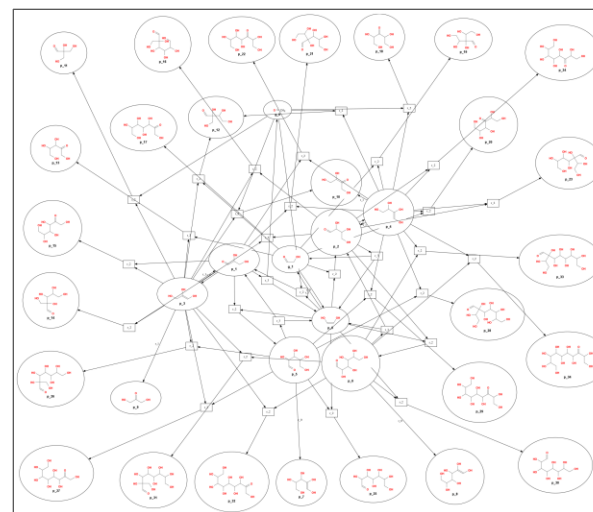
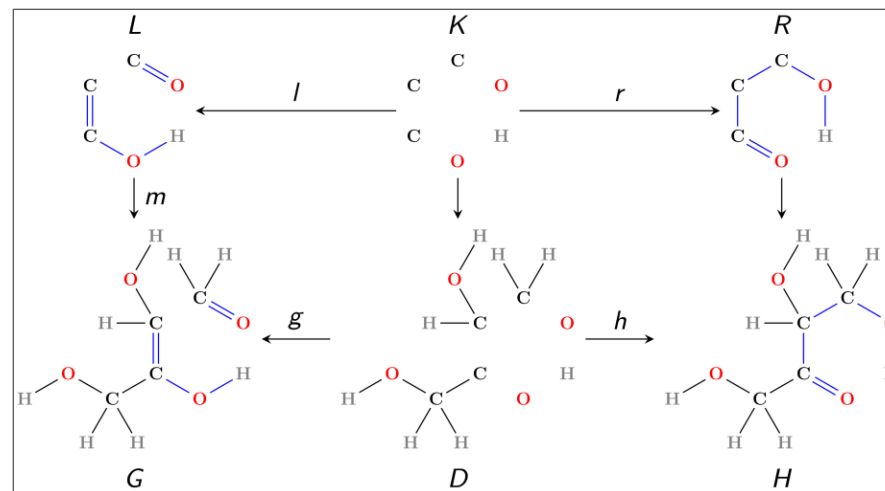
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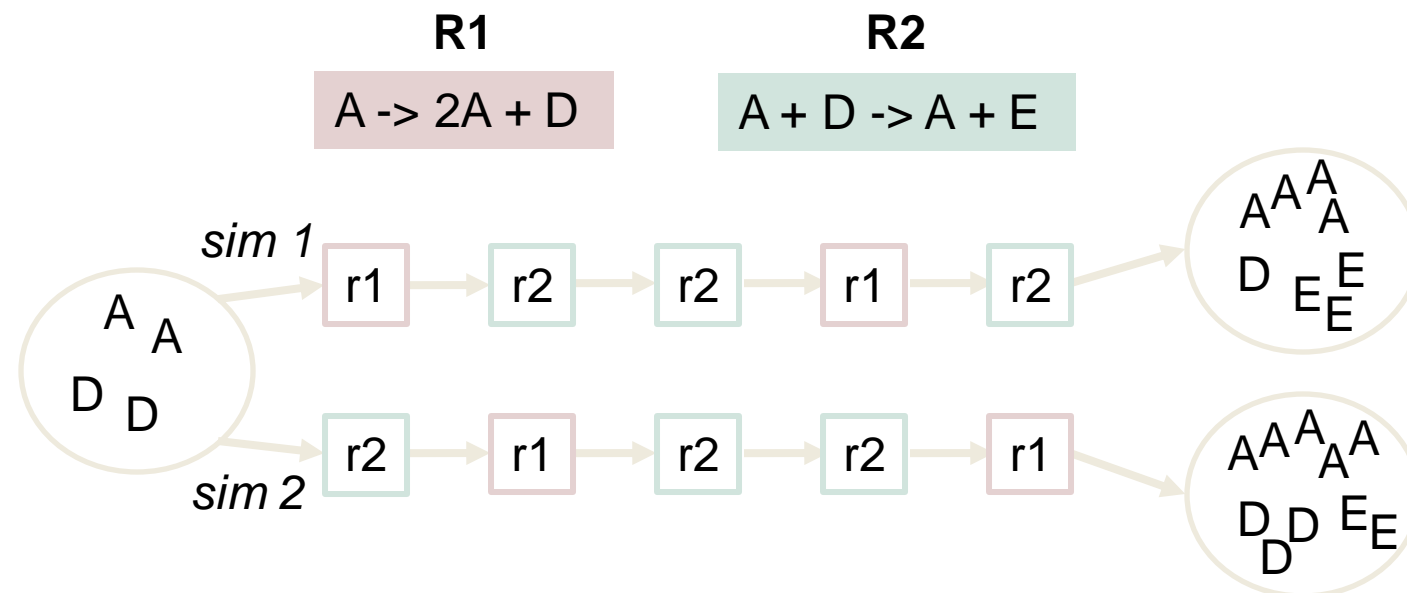
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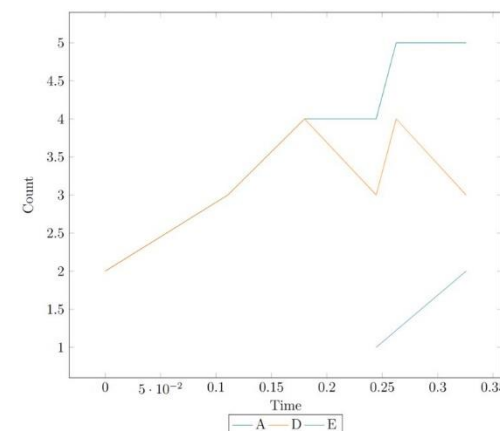
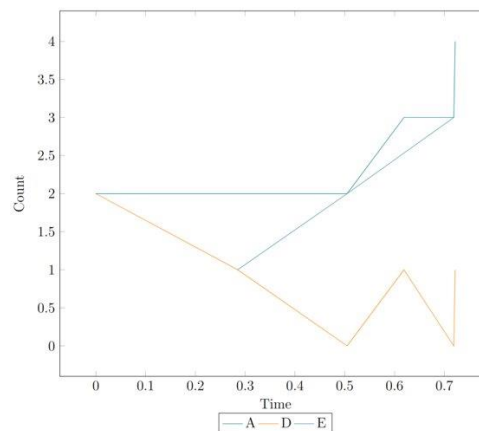
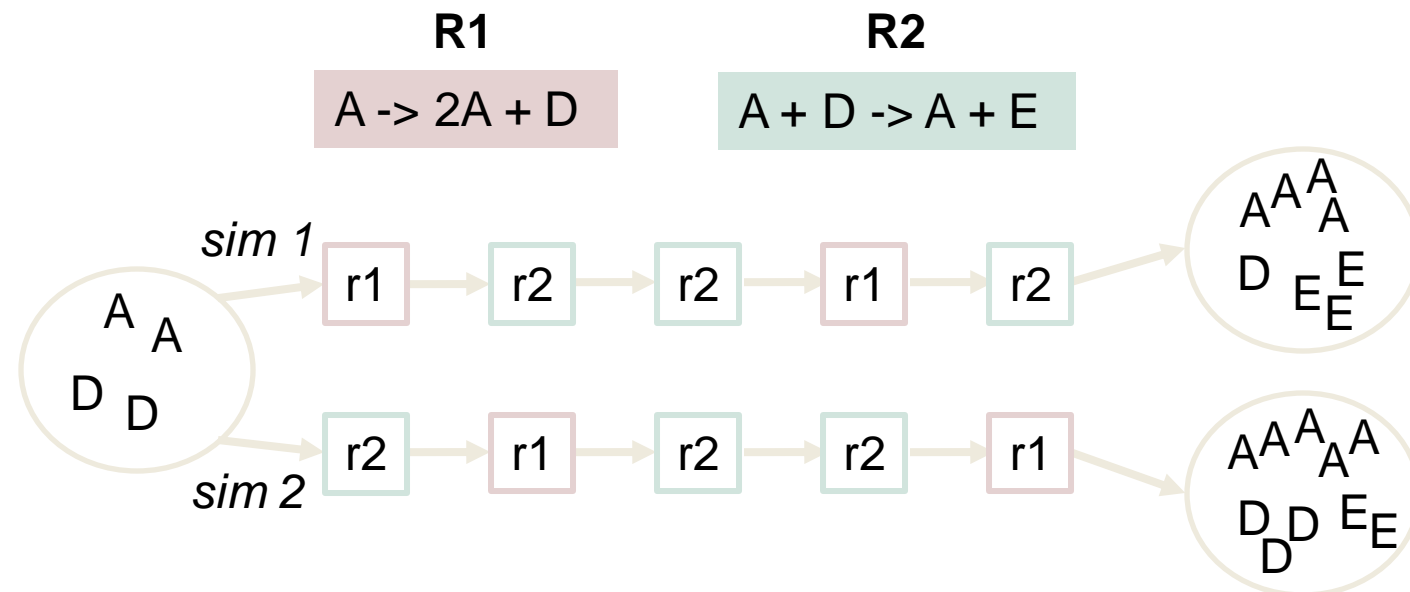
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# Current work

## Sensitivity Analysis for reaction rate constants

How changes in the input variables of a model impact the output?

### One-at-a-Time (OAT)

- Change one input variable at a time, keeping others constant.

### Derivative-Based Local Methods

- Take partial derivatives of the output with respect to each input.

### Regression Analysis

- Fit a linear regression to the model response.

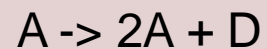
### Variance-Based Methods

- Decompose output variance into contributions from input variables and interactions.

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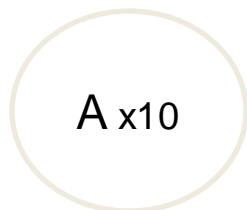
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R2

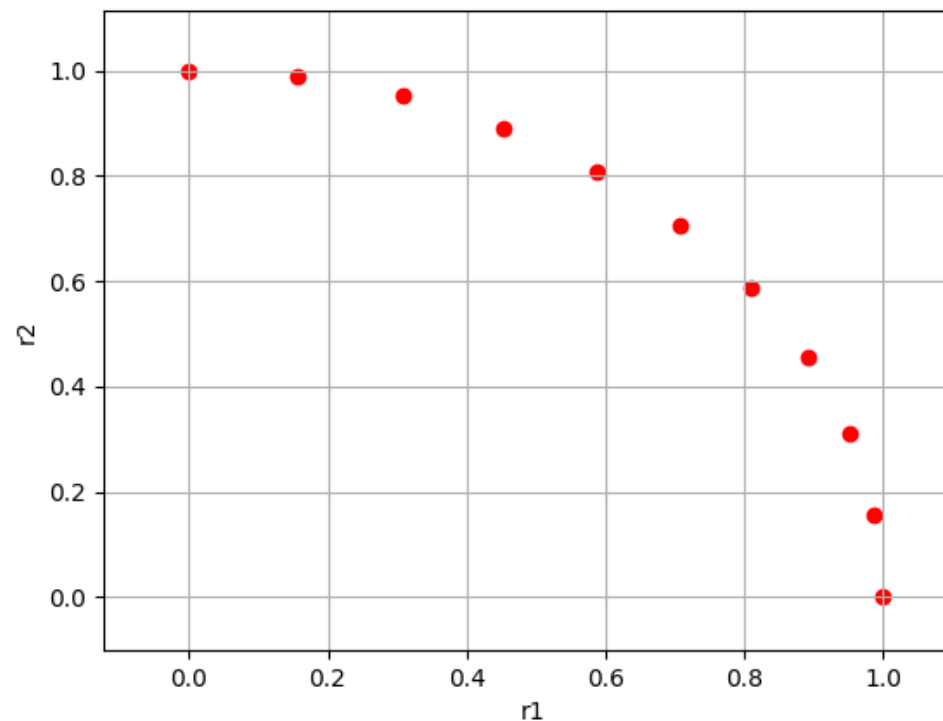


Initial  
state



How sensitive is the time until two E molecules are present at the same time w.r.t the reaction rate constants?

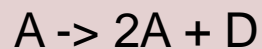
Sample reaction rate constants from hypersphere



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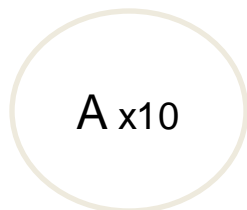
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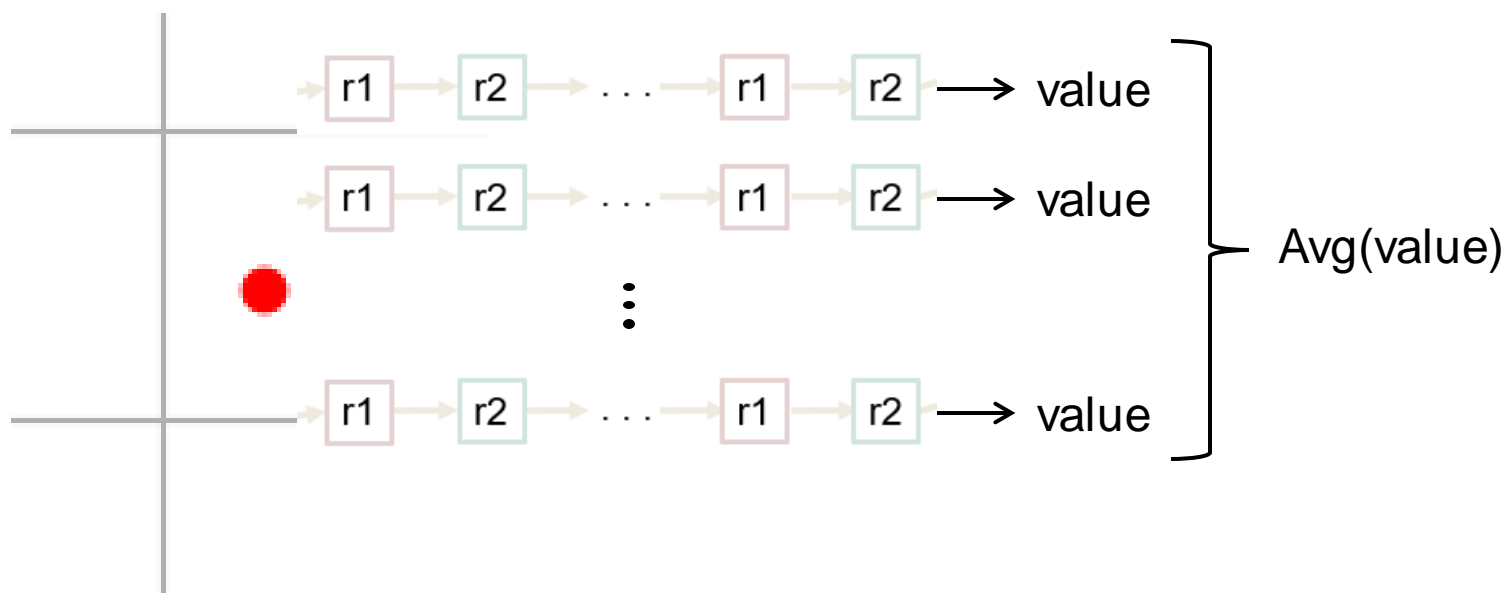


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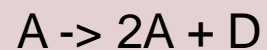
Run several simulations for each point



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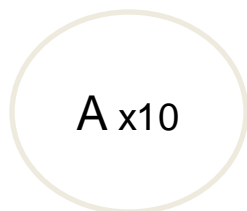
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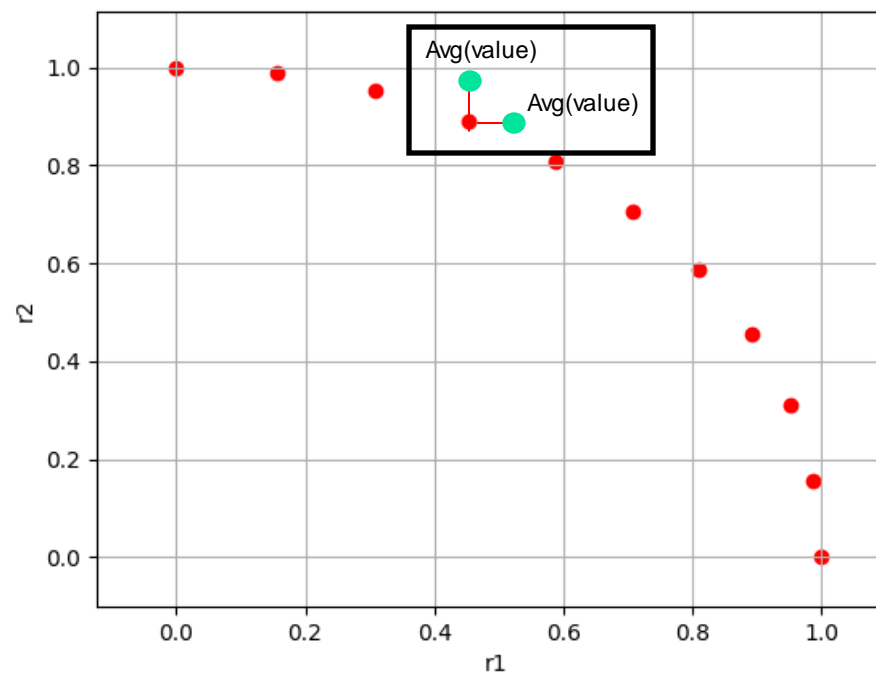


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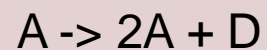
Repeat for neighboring points



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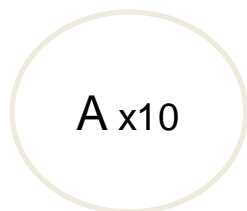
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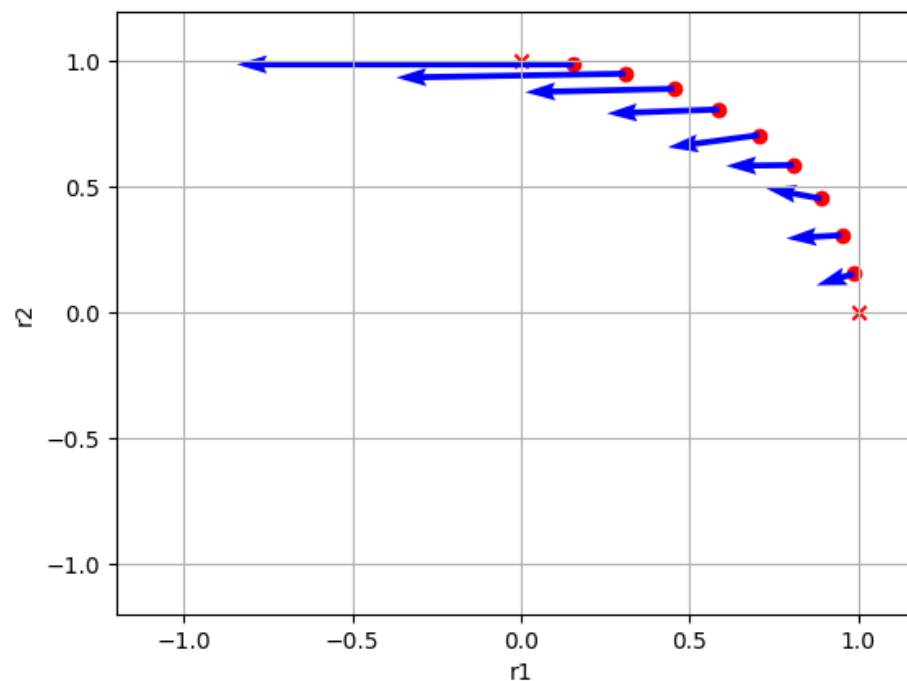
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Calculate vector field using forward differences

$$\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$$



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*Formose process on  
an early Earth as  
seen by DALL·E*





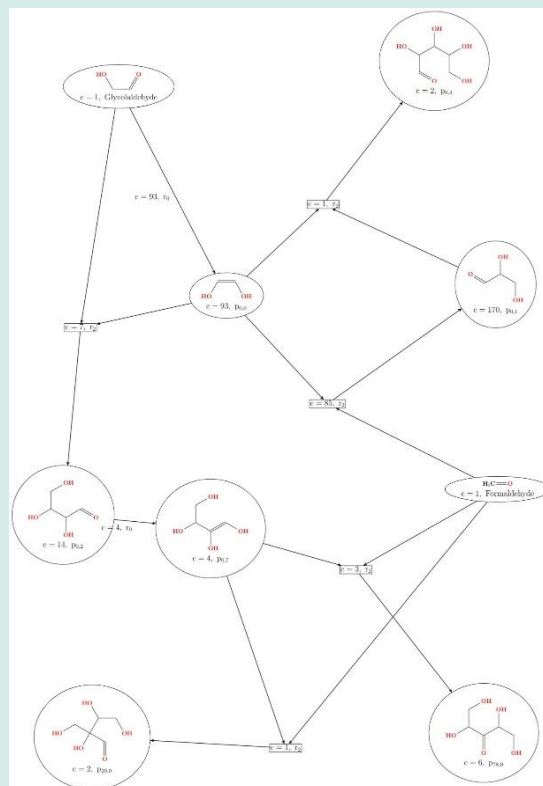
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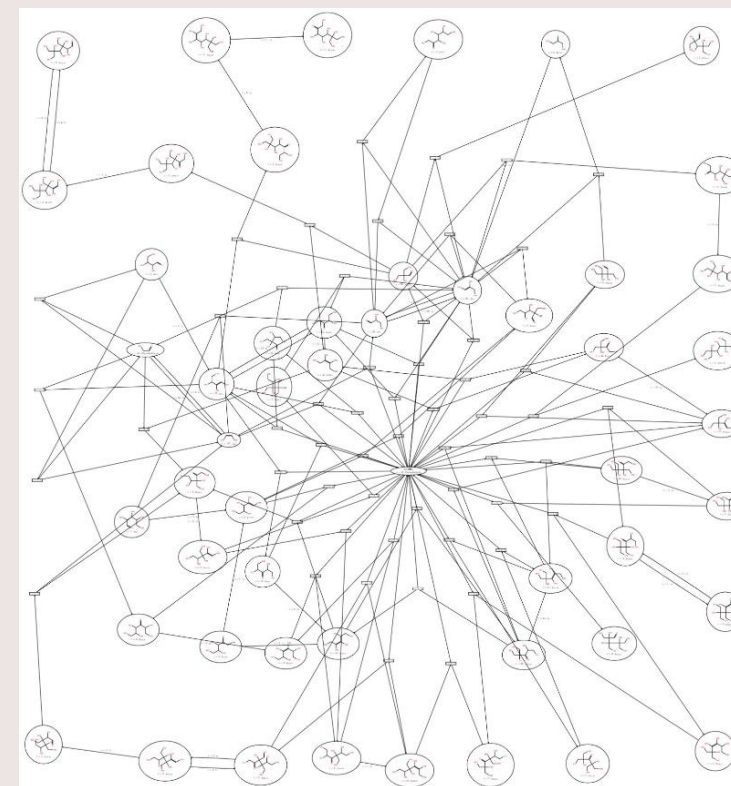
### Formose + borate

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### With borate



### Without borate





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## Sensitivity Analysis for reaction rate constants

*With borate*

	<b>Average</b>	<b>Std Dev</b>	
Size of DG	38.7	7.83	
Unique pentoses in DG	7.05	0.86	
Final state of the simulation	Total amount pentoses	7.65	1.98
	Unique pentoses	2.8	0.81
	Carbons in pentoses	38.25	9.91

*Without borate*

	<b>Average</b>	<b>Std Dev</b>	
Size of DG	95.8	9.28	
Unique pentoses in DG	7.75	0.89	
Final state of the simulation	Total amount pentoses	12	3.29
	Unique pentoses	2.8	0.6
	Carbons in pentoses	60	16.43



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