

Statistics on hypercube orientations

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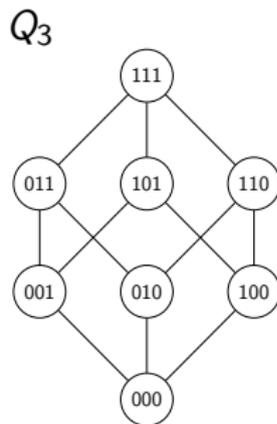
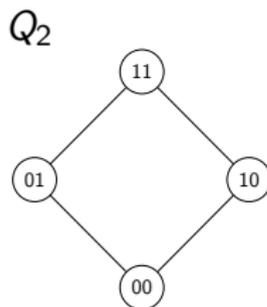
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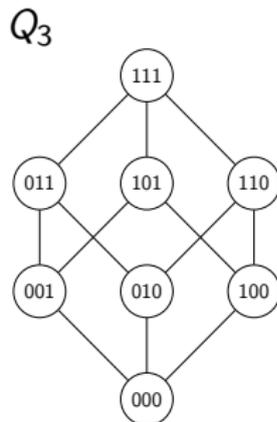
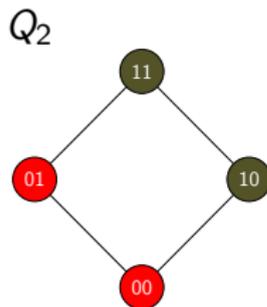
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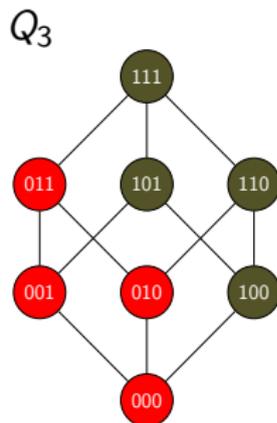
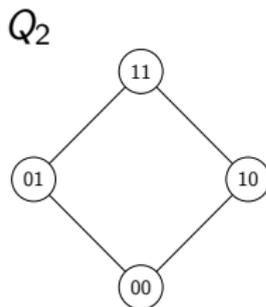
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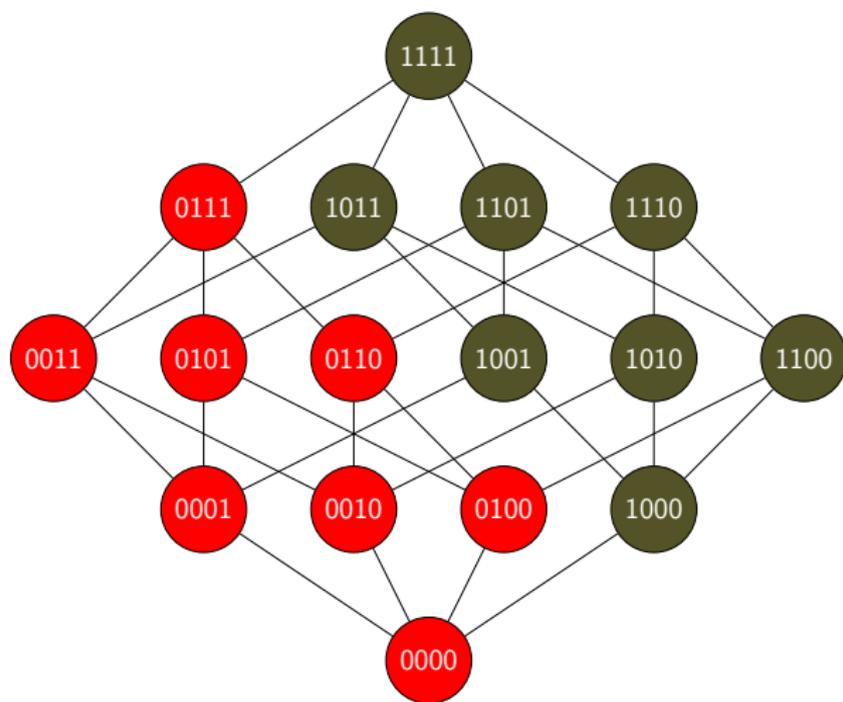
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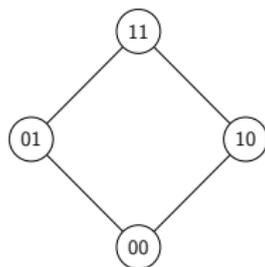
Goal: Consider acyclic orientations of Q_n .

Analyze joint distribution of two statistics motivated by theoretical biology.

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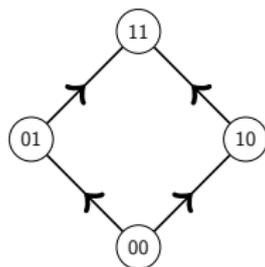
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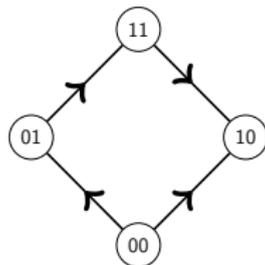
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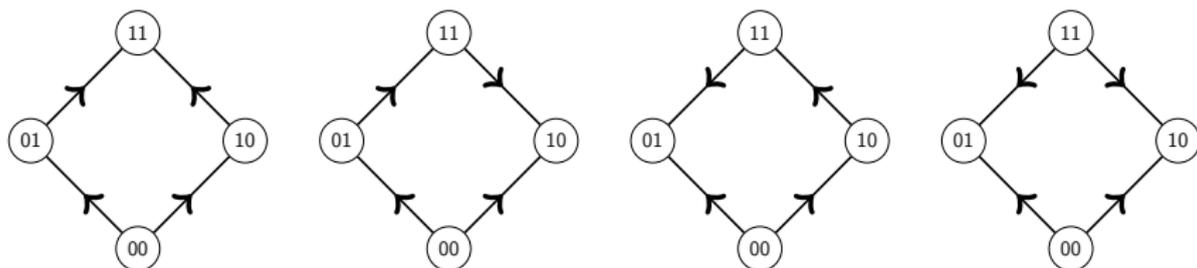
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Simplifying assumption: Wild type is less fit than any mutant.

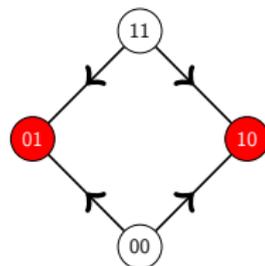
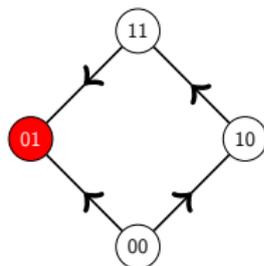
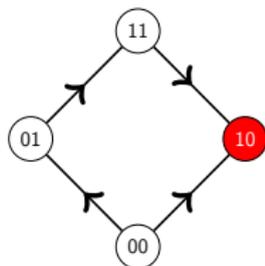
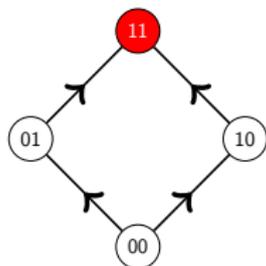


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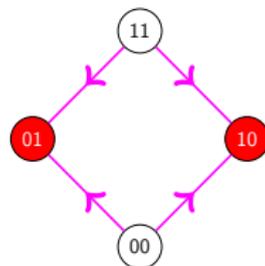
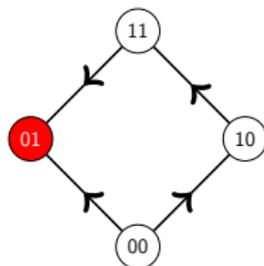
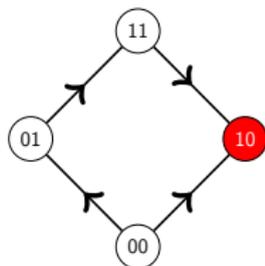
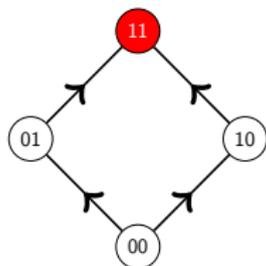


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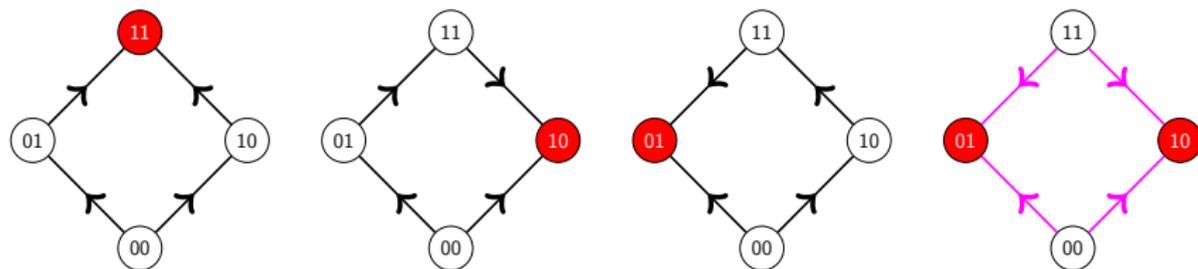
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Known: RSEs are necessary for multi-peak landscapes
(Poelwijk et. al., 2011)

Questions:

- What pairs of (number of peaks, number of RSEs) are possible?
- In a single peak landscape, what is the maximum possible number of RSEs?

Dimension 2



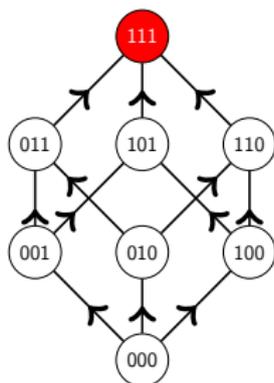
RSEs \ peaks	1	2
0	3	0
1	0	1

Dimension 3 (Exact count, 340 possible orientations)

RSEs \ peaks	1	2	3	4
0	91	0	0	0
1	84	42	0	0
2	0	93	0	0
3	0	12	8	0
4	0	0	9	0
5	0	0	0	0
6	0	0	0	1

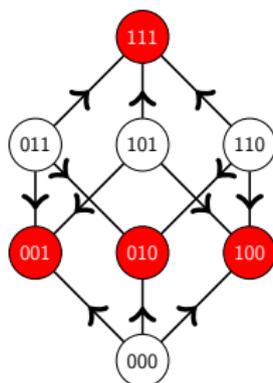
Extreme Constructions

All Ups



1 peak
0 RSEs

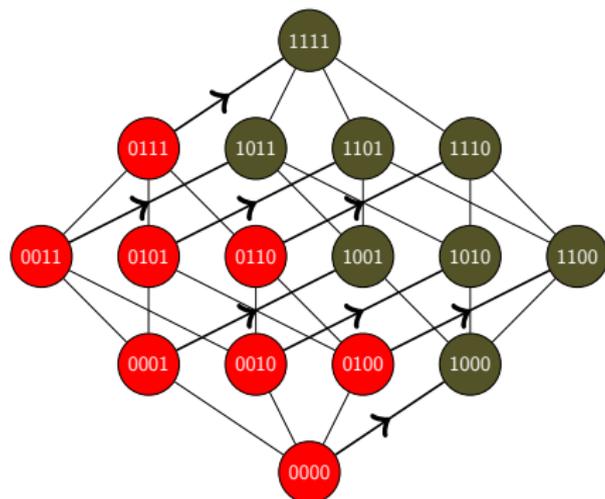
Alternating



2^{n-1} peaks
 $2^{n-3}(n-1)n$ RSEs

Standard Gluing

Take two copies of Q_{n-1} , connect corresponding vertices with up arrow.



Observe: If lower Q_{n-1} has p_1 peaks and r_1 RSEs,
 and upper Q_{n-1} has p_2 peaks and r_2 RSEs,
 then glued Q_n has p_2 peaks and $r_1 + r_2$ RSEs.

Scaling up

Dimension 3 options

RSEs \ peaks	1	2	3	4
0	X			
1	X	X		
2		X		
3		X	X	
4			X	
5				
6				X

Dimension 4 gluing

RSEs \ peaks	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
0	X							
1	X	X						
2	X	X						
3	X	X	X					
4	X	X	X					
5	X	X	X					
6	X	X	X	X				
7	X	X	X	X				
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Dimension 4

Dimension 4 gluing

All options from gluing two Q_3 s

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Dimension 4 heat map 10,000 randomly generated orientations

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0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	8	5	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	28	36	1	0	0	0	0	0
3	50	137	8	0	0	0	0	0
4	52	380	59	0	0	0	0	0
5	27	597	369	7	0	0	0	0
6	16	473	792	47	0	0	0	0
7	2	275	1002	192	0	0	0	0
8	1	213	795	420	0	0	0	0
9	0	55	643	631	29	0	0	0
10	0	17	249	625	64	0	0	0
11	0	0	99	569	99	0	0	0
12	0	4	11	208	140	1	0	0
13	0	0	9	71	89	13	0	0
14	0	0	0	40	68	45	0	0
15	0	0	0	8	50	18	0	0
16	0	0	0	0	26	39	0	0
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18	0	0	0	0	16	7	20	0
19	0	0	0	0	0	6	6	0
20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
21	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	0
22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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Motivating Question

What is the largest number of RSEs in a single peak landscape?

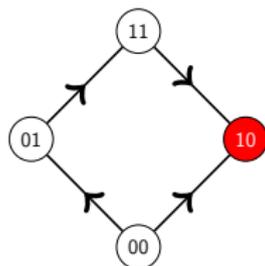
Strategy: Find a topological order of vertices with nice properties.

Topological Orders

Definition

A *topological order* of an oriented graph is a list of all the vertices such that each edge is directed from an earlier vertex to a later vertex in the list.

Example:



has topological order 00, 01, 11, 10.

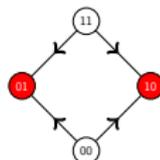
Theorem

A directed graph is acyclic if and only if it has a topological order.

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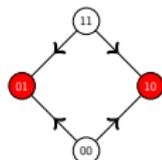


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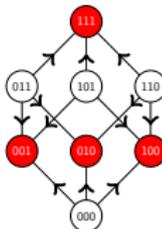
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has order $(000, 011, 101, 110, 001, 010, 100, 111)$

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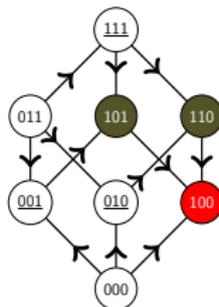
Observations:

- If a topological order (v_1, \dots, v_n) corresponds to a single peak orientation, then for all v_i with $i < n$, there exists v_j with $j > i$ such that v_i is adjacent to v_j . (*)

Goal: Find a topological order of the form:

(even vertices, odd vertices, connected cover(*))

Example:



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Strategic Topological Order Search Results

Maximum number of RSEs in a n -dimensional single peak orientation



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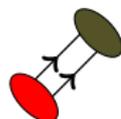
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Theorem: As $n \rightarrow \infty$, the percent of 4-cycles that can be RSEs in a single-peak landscape approaches 100%.

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