

27 decomposed as follows



Note that the rates of elementary reactions (Eq.(S1)-(S4)) can be represented by the mass-action kinetics. For example, the forward reaction of Eq.(S1) is given by

$$v_{A+E \rightarrow AE} = k_{A+E \rightarrow AE}[A][E],$$

where $k_{A+E \rightarrow AE}$, $[A]$, and $[E]$ represents the rate-constant of the reaction $A + E \rightarrow AE$, the concentration of the chemical A , and the concentration of the free enzyme E (E not in the complex form). Let $[A]_{ss}$ and $[E]_0$ be the steady concentration of the chemical A and the total concentration of the enzyme E , respectively. Then at the steady state, the logarithm of the reaction flux is

$$\ln v_{A+E \rightarrow AE} = \ln(k_{A+E \rightarrow AE}[A]_{ss}[E]_0) + \ln([E]/[E]_0).$$

28 Note that the term depending on $[A]$ is dropped because $\ln[A]/[A]_{ss}$ is zero at the steady-state. The MEM
 29 approach seeks the values of the scaled rate-constant such as $\tilde{k}_{A+E \rightarrow AE} = k_{A+E \rightarrow AE}[A]_{ss}[E]_0$ and $e =$
 30 $[E]/[E]_0$ so that the model can fit the experimentally-obtained fluxome data using the ensemble modeling [3].
 31 (for more detail, see [1, 2])

32 For the simulation of the *E. coli* core model, we adopted the parameter values estimated by Khodayari et.
 33 al [2]. For obtaining the values of (non-scaled) rate constants, we need to divide the scaled rate constants by
 34 experimentally reported concentrations of chemicals because what they estimated are, for instance, in the form
 35 of $k_{A+E \rightarrow AE}[A]_{ss}[E]_0$. We calculated the rate-constants by using the concentration data measured by Gerosa
 36 et al. [4] and estimated by Akbari et al. [5]. Since the concentration of glyoxylate was presented in neither [4]
 37 nor [5], we used the geometric mean of the concentrations of two neighbor metabolites in the metabolic
 38 network, isocitrate, and L-malate. The back-calculated parameters are presented in *SI Data.2*. After the
 39 back-calculation of the rate-constants, we constructed the ODE model where the elementary reactions for
 40 each enzymatic reaction are adiabatically eliminated and the Michaelis-Menten type rate equation was used
 41 (see [2]).

42 2 Judging multimodality

43 Let us suppose that there is a list of the expansion ratio $\{R(x, y)\}_{x, y \in \mathcal{T}_i}$ where \mathcal{T}_i is the set of the trajectories
 44 of the i th model. Then, we fit the histogram of the expansion ratio by a sum of the Normal distributions
 45 $\mathcal{G}(R, \vec{\mu}, \vec{\sigma}) = \sum_{i=0}^{M-1} w_i \mathcal{N}(R; \mu_i, \sigma_i)$, $\sum_{i=0}^{M-1} w_i = 1$, $w_i \geq 0$ where $\mathcal{N}(R; \mu_i, \sigma_i)$ is the Normal distribution
 46 with μ_i and σ_i as the mean and the standard deviation, respectively. Here, we heuristically choose M
 47 as 4 because the distributions of the expansion ratio often had a heavy tail, and fitting with a small M
 48 could prioritize to fit the tail rather than the second peak. For the fitting, we used the python package
 49 `sklearn.mixture.GaussianMixture` with the options as `covariance.type = 'full'`, `tol = 10-4`, `n_init =`
 50 `16`.

51 After the fitting, we reorganise the indices of the normal distributions so that $\mu_i < \mu_{i+1}$ holds. We judged
 52 the distribution is multimodal if the result fulfill the conditions below

- 53 • $\mu_0 < 1.05$ (there is the trivial peak)
- 54 • $w_0 \geq w_i$ (the trivial peak has the largest weight)
- 55 • $1 \leq \exists i < M$ s.t., $\mu_i - \mu_0 > \max(1, \sigma_0 + \sigma_i)$ and $w_i/w_0 > 0.01$ (there is another, distant peak)

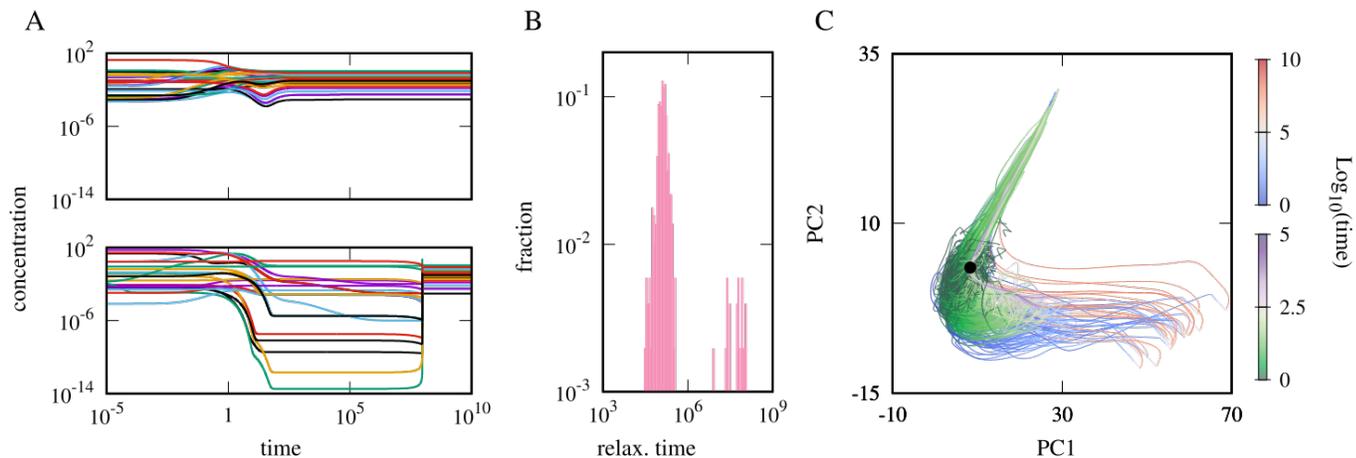


Figure S1: A. Two characteristic dynamics of model0 starting from different initial points. The relaxation behaviours are qualitatively different between the top- and bottom panels. B. The distribution of the relaxation time showing a clear bimodality. C. Trajectories are overlaid in 2-dimensional principal component space. Color indicates \log_{10} of time. The trajectories having shorter relaxation time (top panel of A) are colored in green-white-purple while the others are colored in blue-white-red. The black point corresponds to the attractor. Initial concentration of each metabolites is $10^{u_{i,n}}[X_i^{(ss)}]$ with $[X_i^{(ss)}]$ as the steady-state concentration of the i th metabolite, and $u_{i,n}$ as a random number uniformly distributed in $[-2, 2]$ while the total concentrations of adenine nucleotide carriers are normalized. $v = 1$ and $\kappa = 10^{-6}$ for all reactions. Other parameters are $[\text{glc}] = 1, A_t = 1, r = 0.1$ and $d = 10^{-8}$.

3 The trajectories on PC1-PC2 space, the distribution of the expansion ratio, and the relaxation time distribution for all intermediate models of the reduction

Here, we present the trajectories on PC1-PC2 space (Figs. S2 and S3), the distribution of the expansion ratio (Figs. S4), and the relaxation time distribution (Figs. S5) for all the intermediate models of the reduction described in the main text. As mentioned in the main text, $d = 10^{-8}$ becomes larger than the growth rate μ at the relaxation plateaux for some models, and in such cases, the relaxation time cannot distinguish the growth- and dormant trajectories. According to the importance of $[\text{atp}] + [\text{adp}]$ that we found in the main text, we wonder if the minimum value of $[\text{atp}] + [\text{adp}]$ during the relaxation of each trajectory works as a criterion to distinguish the two types of the trajectories. In the accordance with the expectation, we found that the distribution of $A_{\min} = \min_{t \in (0, \infty)} \log_{10}([\text{atp}](t) + [\text{adp}](t))$ of each intermediate model was double-peaked. Thus, we colored each trajectory based on which peak of the distribution A_{\min} the trajectory belongs to. Owing to the clear separation of the peaks, we checked that the average of A_{\min} works as a separator of the peaks.

4 The expansion ratio with cutoffs

As shown in Figs.2A and Figs.3A, the concentrations of some chemicals become too low. Because of the logarithm-conversion of the concentrations, these low concentrations can strongly contribute to the multimodal distributions of the expansion ratio to result. To check if the multimodal distribution of the expansion ratio is sensitive to such low concentrations, we computed the expansion ratio of model0 with cutoffs. With a given value of cutoff, C , we converted each element of the trajectories $\vec{x}(t)$ to $\xi_i(t) = \max(x_i(t), C)$. The

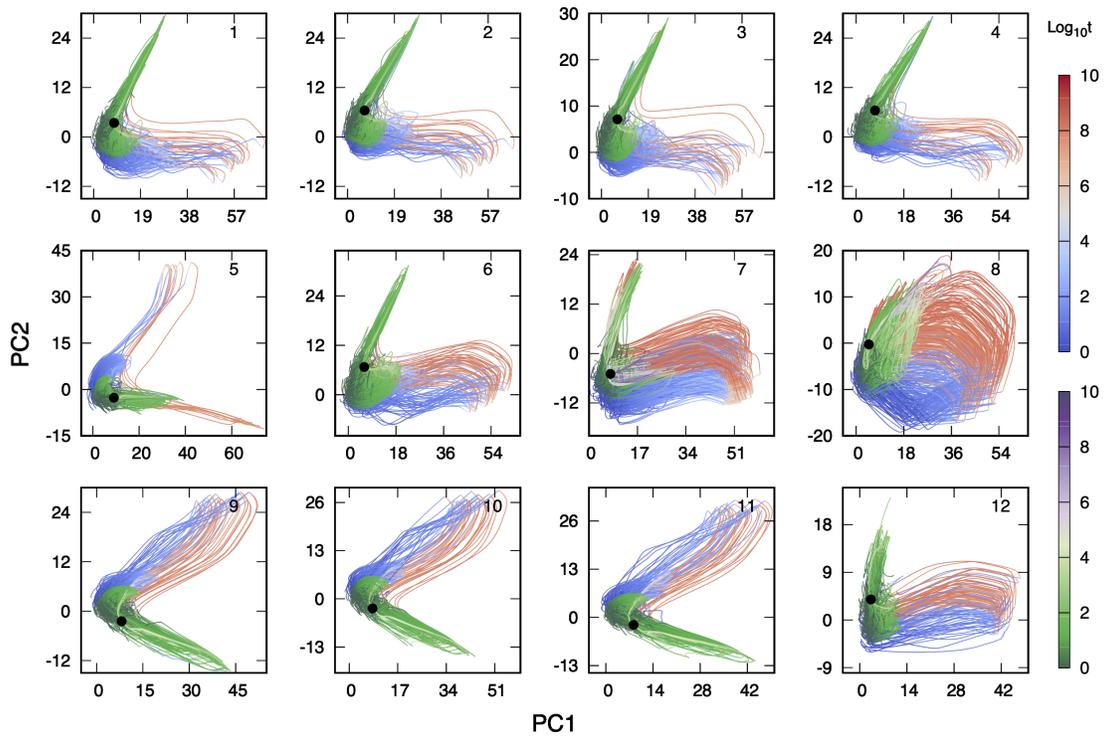


Figure S2: The trajectories on the PCS (from model1 to model12)

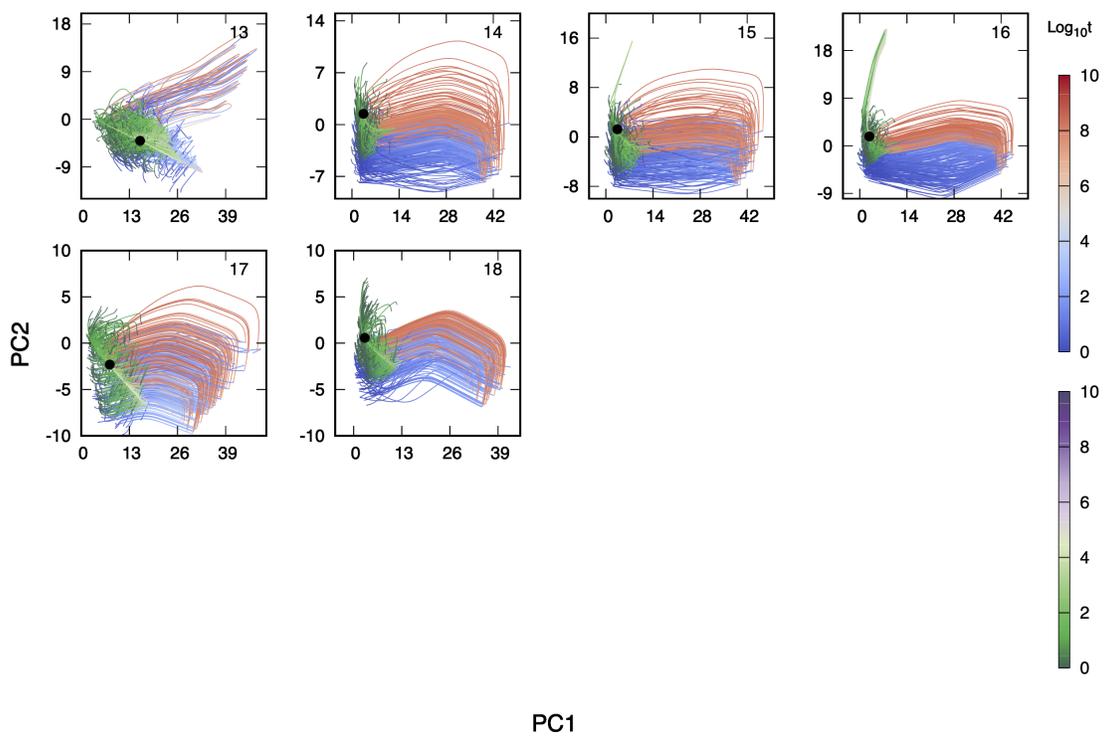


Figure S3: The trajectories on the PCS (from model13 to model18)

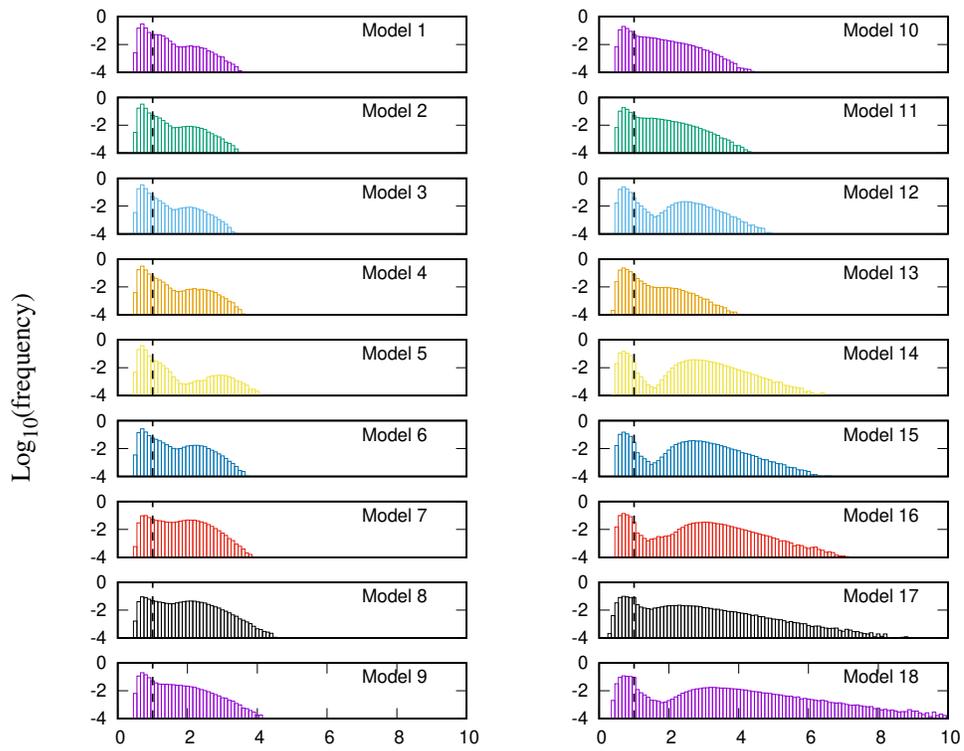


Figure S4: The distribution of the expansion ratio

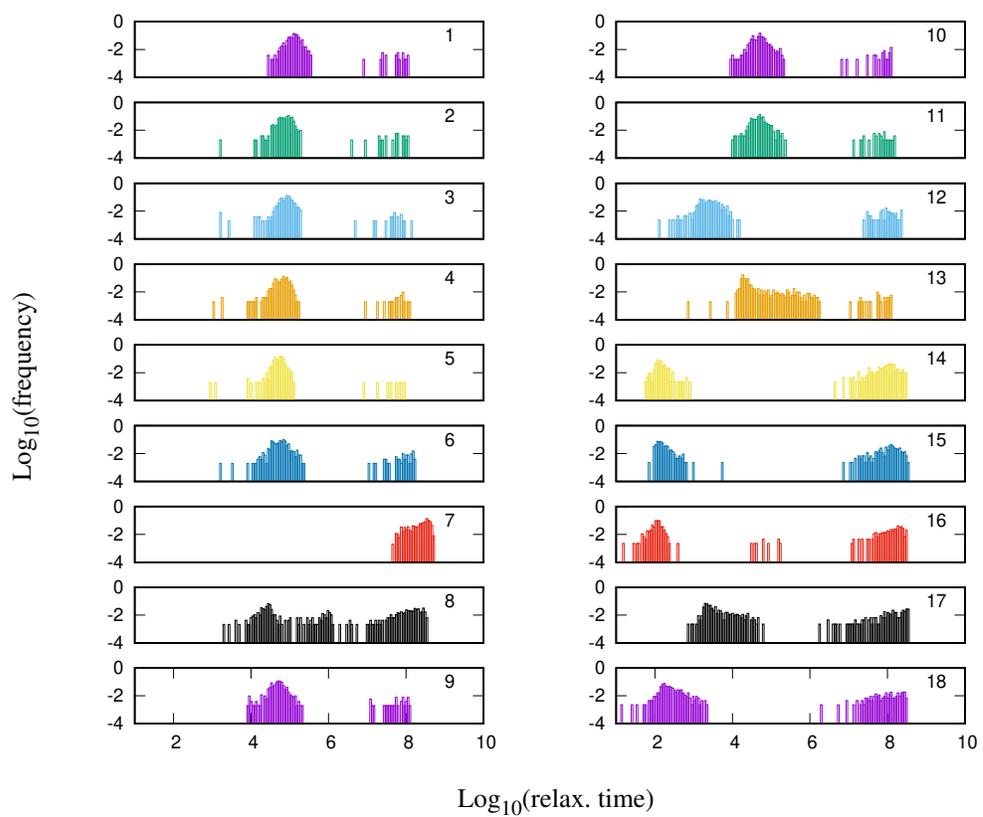


Figure S5: The distribution of the relaxation time

76 trajectories $\vec{\xi}(t)$'s are logarithm-converted and then used for computing the expansion ratio. As shown in
 77 Fig.S6, the distributions are multimodal up to $C = 10^{-10}$, while the distribution becomes long-tailed with
 78 two plateaus for $C \gtrsim 10^{-9}$.

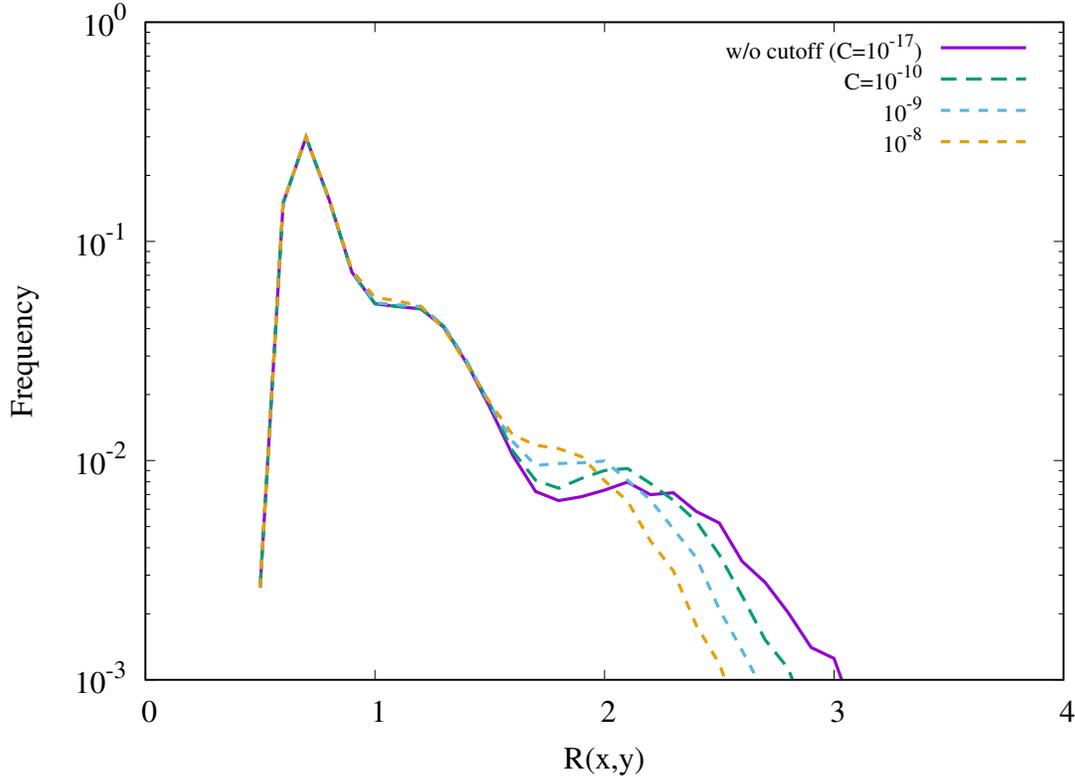


Figure S6: The distribution of the expansion ratio of model0 with several values of cutoff: without cutoff (purple), $C = 10^{-10}$ (green), $C = 10^{-9}$ (cyan), and $C = 10^{-8}$ (orange). Parameters are set to the default values: $v = 1$ and $\kappa = 10^{-6}$ for all reactions, $[glc] = 1.0$, $A_t = 1.0$, $r = 0.1$, and $d = 10^{-8}$.

79 5 L/D ratio

80 The trajectories projected onto the two-dimensional PC space give us an impression that the dormant tra-
 81 jectories take roundabout ways comparing the growth trajectories. For the confirmation of the impression,
 82 we compare the length of the trajectory in the phase space.

83 For a trajectory $x(t)$, we introduce two quantities, namely, the line integral of the trajectory $L = \int_x dl$,
 84 and the Euclidean distance between the initial point and the attractor $D = d(x(0), x(\infty))$. Since the straight
 85 line gives the shortest possible length between two points, the ratio L/D of x measures the deviation of the
 86 trajectory x from the shortest path from the initial point to the attractor, representing how far x takes a
 87 detour.

88 For grouping the trajectories, we used the minimum value of $[atp] + [adp]$ during the relaxation A_{\min}
 89 of each trajectory (see section.3). We computed the average L/D ratio of the high A_{\min} (growth) and the
 90 low A_{\min} (dormant) trajectories, respectively. As shown in Fig. S7, the average L/D ratio of the low A_{\min}
 91 trajectories is larger than that of the trajectories with high A_{\min} values for all the models while the differences
 92 are within the error bar in model 5.

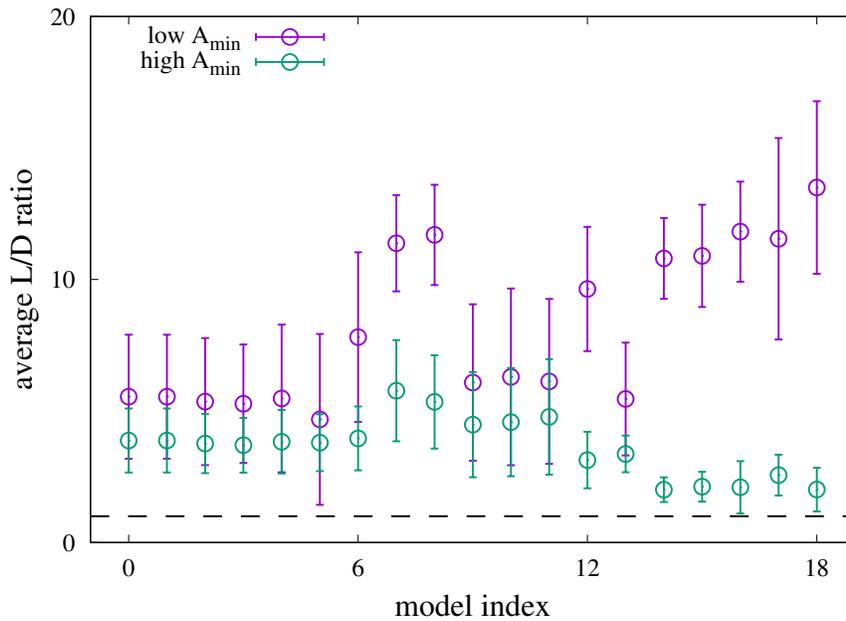


Figure S7: The average ratio of the line integral of the trajectory (L) to the Euclidean distance between the initial point and the attractor (D) for the growth trajectories and dormant trajectory. The ratio L/D is averaged over the trajectories for each group (high- and low A_{\min} groups) and plotted against the model index with the error bars as the standard deviation. In all the cases, the low A_{\min} trajectories have a larger L/D ratio than that of the growth trajectories. The broken black line is an eye guideline representing $L/D = 1$.

6 The minor attractor of model8

In the model reduction, only model8 exhibited bistability. The fraction of the initial points relaxing to the major attractor which is analysed in the main manuscript is approximately 92%.

Here, we apply the same analysis for the trajectories relaxing to the minor attractor to confirm that the choice of the attractor is not crucial for the model reduction. We applied perturbation on the minor attractor as $10^{u_{i,n}} [X_i^{(ss)}]$ where $u_{i,n}$ and $[X_i^{(ss)}]$ represents a random number for the i th metabolite and the n th perturbation, uniformly-distributed in $[-1, 1]$ and the concentration of the i th metabolite at the minor attractor, respectively.

First, the distribution of the expansion ratio computed from the trajectories relaxing to the minor attractor also exhibited bimodality (Fig. S8A). For the visualization of the trajectories, PCA was performed on the trajectories. In the PC1-PC2 space, the growth trajectories (green-white-purple) and the dormant trajectories (blue-white-red) are clearly separated. Also, the average L/D ratio (see Sec.5) with the standard deviation of the growth- and the dormant trajectories are approximately 7.99 ± 3.46 and 9.30 ± 2.44 , respectively.

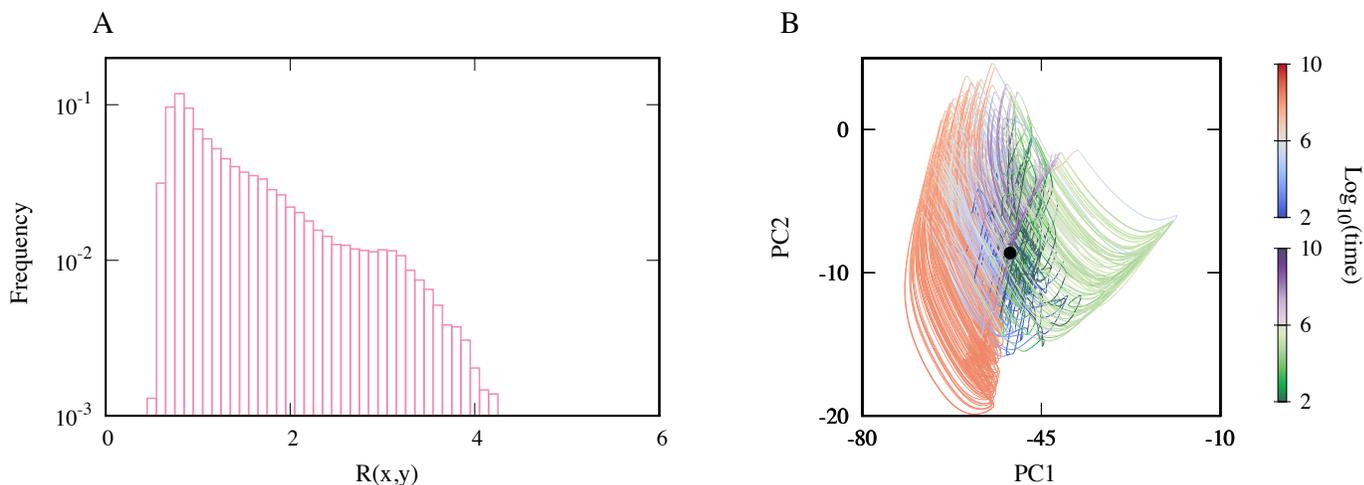


Figure S8: A. The distribution of the expansion ratio of the trajectories perturbed from the minor attractor. B. The trajectories are projected onto the PC1-PC2 space. The trajectories are colored based on the dynamics of A_{\min} (low: blue-white-red, high: green-white-purple). There are 145 growth- and 160 dormant trajectories are overlaid in the figure. Parameters are set to the default values: $v = 1$ and $\kappa = 10^{-6}$ for all reactions, $[\text{glc}] = 1.0$, $A_t = 1.0$, $r = 0.1$, and $d = 10^{-8}$.

7 Analytic solution of the simple model and the choice of the function ϕ

For obtaining the analytic solution of the simple model (Eqs.(9) and (10) in the main text) in the growth region, we ignore the growth dilution term here ($r = 0$ case). Then, the ordinary differential equation is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d[\text{pep}]}{dt} &= \phi([\text{pyr}]) (1 - [\text{pep}] + [\text{pyr}]) - (1 + d)[\text{pep}], \\ \frac{d[\text{pyr}]}{dt} &= \phi([\text{pyr}]) ([\text{pep}] - [\text{pyr}]) - d[\text{pyr}]. \end{aligned}$$

In the region where $\phi([\text{pyr}]) = \phi_0$ holds, the ODE is linear, and thus, easily solved. In the other region, we

112 transform the variables as $\gamma(t) = [\text{pep}](t) + [\text{pyr}](t)$ and $\delta(t) = [\text{pep}](t) - [\text{pyr}](t)$. Then, temporal evolution
 113 of (γ, δ) is ruled by

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d\gamma}{dt} &= 1 - (1+d)\gamma. \\ \frac{d\delta}{dt} &= (1 - (\gamma - \delta)/2)(1 - 2\delta) - (\gamma + \delta)/2 - d\delta.\end{aligned}$$

114 The solution for this is given by

$$\begin{aligned}\gamma(t) &= f^{-1} + C_0 e^{-ft}, \\ \delta(t) &= C_0 e^{-ft} - (\kappa + \eta)/2f, \\ &+ C_0 \frac{\alpha C_1 U(1 + \alpha, 2 + \beta; \zeta e^{-ft}) + L_{-(1+\alpha)}^{1+\beta}(\zeta e^{-ft})}{C_1 U(\alpha, 1 + \beta; \zeta e^{-ft}) + L_{-\alpha}^{\beta}(\zeta e^{-ft})} e^{-ft}.\end{aligned}\tag{S5}$$

115 where U and L is the confluent hypergeometric function and the associated Laguerre polynomial, respectively.
 116 Lumped parameters are

$$\begin{aligned}f &= 1 + d, \\ \xi(f) &= 1 - 3f + f^2, \\ \eta(f) &= \sqrt{1 - 6f + 3f^2 + 2f^3 + f^4}, \\ \zeta(f) &= \frac{C_0}{f}, \\ \kappa(f) &= -1 + f + f^2, \\ \alpha(f) &= (\xi(f) + \eta(f))/2f^2, \\ \beta(f) &= \eta(f)/f^2,\end{aligned}$$

117 and the integral constants C_0 and C_1 are given by

$$\begin{aligned}C_0 &= \gamma(0) - 1/f, \\ C_1 &= -\frac{C_0 L_{-(1+\alpha)}^{1+\beta}(C_0/f) + L_{-\alpha}^{\beta}(C_0/f) (C_0 - (\kappa + \eta)/2f - \delta(0))}{C_0 \alpha U(1 + \alpha, 2 + \beta; C_0/f) + U(\alpha, 1 + \beta; C_0/f) (C_0 - (\kappa + \eta)/2f - \delta(0))}.\end{aligned}$$

118 Note that there is only a single timescale $1/f = 1/(1+d)$ in the growth region. $1/f$ is $\mathcal{O}(1)$ with the
 119 default parameter set. While we omitted the growth-dilution term $-\mu[\cdot]$ for obtaining the analytic solution,
 120 if the growth rate μ is smaller than 1, the effect of including the dilution term is masked by f . On the other
 121 hand, it simply speeds up the relaxation if μ is larger than unity. Thus, in either way, the inclusion of μ does
 122 not change the argument that the slowest timescale in the growth region is $\mathcal{O}(1)$.

123 The analytic solution is obtained for $\phi = \max\{1 - [\text{pyr}], \phi_0\}$ case. Now we wonder if the structure of the
 124 vector field is sensitive to the choice of ϕ . In Figs. S9, we drew the two-dimensional vector fields with the
 125 exponential function (A) and Hill function (B) as the function ϕ . The figures imply that the characteristic
 126 nature of the vector field is robust for the choice of ϕ as long as ϕ reaches a small value as $[\text{pyr}]$ increases.

127 8 The minimal model with de-novo AMP synthesis

128 Since the *E. coli* core model includes no AMP synthesis pathway, we assumed that the total concentration
 129 of the adenine nucleotide carriers (ATP, ADP, and AMP) is constant in the main text. To check if this
 130 assumption is crucial for the obtained result, we introduce a coarse-grained AMP synthesis reaction to the
 131 minimal model and study the dynamics of the model.

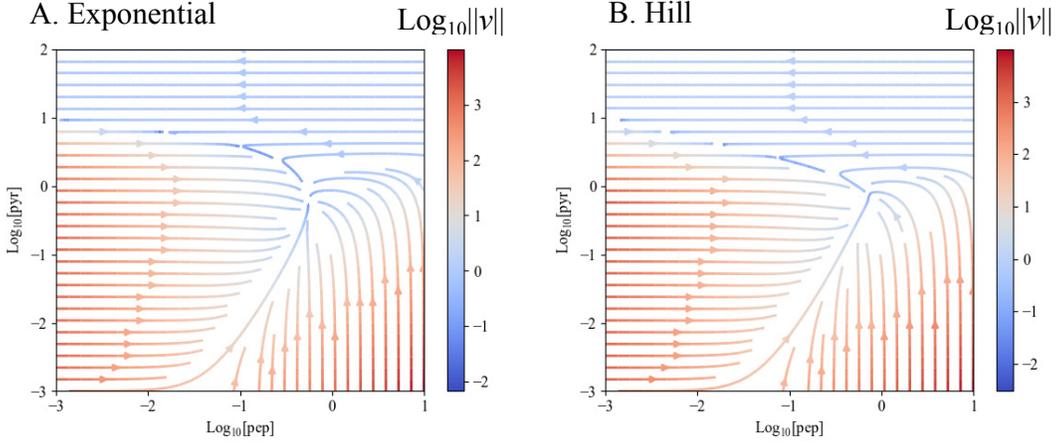


Figure S9: The stream lines in the phase space with alternative functions. The exponential function $\exp(-[\text{pyr}])$ and the Hill function $[\text{pyr}]^{n_H}/(K^{n_H} + [\text{pyr}]^{n_H})$ are used as the function ϕ for A and B, respectively. $K = 1.0$ and $n_H = -4$ for B. The other parameter values are $v = 1$ and $\kappa = 10^{-6}$ for all reactions, $[\text{glc}] = 1.0$, $r = 0.1$, and $d = 10^{-8}$.

132 Here, we extend the minimal model studied in the main manuscript. The nucleotide carriers such as
 133 AMP and GMP are synthesized from the chemicals in the pentose-phosphate pathway (PPP) with utilizing
 134 ATP energy. In the minimal model, PPP is already removed from the model and thus, glucose is the
 135 chemical species being the closest to the PPP in the original metabolic network. Therefore, we introduced
 136 phenomenological AMP synthesis reaction $\text{glc} + \text{atp} \rightleftharpoons \text{amp} + \text{adp}$ where glucose is the substrate and the
 137 reaction needs the energy consumption ($\text{ATP} \rightarrow \text{ADP}$). Then, the total concentration of adenine carriers is
 138 no longer constant, and thus, we put the constant-rate degradation term and the growth dilution term whose
 139 rate is proportional to the growth reaction to all chemicals. Then, the equations are given by

$$\frac{d[\text{pep}]}{dt} = J_{\text{uptake}} + J_{\text{pps}} - J_{\text{pyk}} - J_{\text{ppc}} - (d + \mu)[\text{pep}], \quad (\text{S6})$$

$$\frac{d[\text{pyr}]}{dt} = J_{\text{pyk}} - J_{\text{pps}} - (d + \mu)[\text{pyr}], \quad (\text{S7})$$

$$\frac{d[\text{oaa}]}{dt} = J_{\text{pps}} - J_{\text{growth}} - (d + \mu)[\text{oaa}], \quad (\text{S8})$$

$$\frac{d[\text{atp}]}{dt} = J_{\text{uptake}} + J_{\text{pyk}} - J_{\text{pps}} - J_{\text{growth}} - J_{\text{adk1}} - J_{\text{amps}} - (d + \mu)[\text{atp}], \quad (\text{S9})$$

$$\frac{d[\text{adp}]}{dt} = -J_{\text{uptake}} - J_{\text{pyk}} + J_{\text{growth}} + 2J_{\text{adk1}} + J_{\text{amps}} - (d + \mu)[\text{adp}], \quad (\text{S10})$$

$$\frac{d[\text{amp}]}{dt} = J_{\text{pps}} - J_{\text{adk1}} + J_{\text{amps}} - (d + \mu)[\text{amp}], \quad (\text{S11})$$

$$J_{\text{amps}} = v_{\text{atp}}([\text{glc}][\text{atp}] - [\text{amp}][\text{adp}]). \quad (\text{S12})$$

140 Here we analyzed the trajectories starting from randomly-generated initial point $10^{u_{i,n}}$ with $u_{i,n}$ as the
 141 uniformly-distributed random number in $[-1, 1]$ for the i th chemical and the n th initial point. This reduces
 142 the requirements of the computational resources because we can skip the computation for finding attractors.
 143 As far as we have checked the model had a single attractor.

144 Fig. S10 shows the distribution of the expansion ratio and the projected trajectories onto the two-
 145 dimensional PC space. As depicted, the model with the de-novo synthesis of AMP still exhibits distinct
 146 trajectories while the dormant trajectories become rare with the default parameter set.

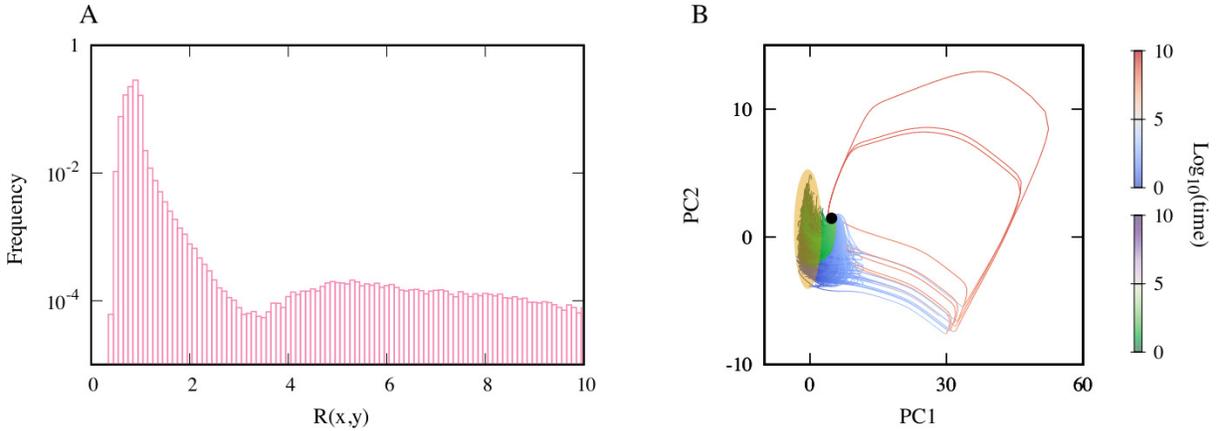


Figure S10: A. The distribution of the expansion ratio of the minimal model with the de-novo AMP synthesis. It shows clear bimodality. B. The trajectories projected onto the 2-dimensional PC space. The green-white-purple and blue-white-red colored trajectories are the growth- and the dormant trajectories, respectively. The trajectories are colored based on the relaxation time of each trajectory. The black dot represents the attractor and the initial points cluster in the region highlighted in orange. $v = 1$ and $\kappa = 10^{-6}$ for all reactions while $v_{\text{atp}} = 0.1$, $[\text{glc}] = 1.0$, $r = 0.1$, and $d = 10^{-8}$.

147 9 model0 with the nicotinamide nucleotide carriers

148 In the main text, we replaced NAD(NADP) and NADH(NADPH) with ATP and ADP, respectively, with
 149 the assumption that the ATP synthesis via electron transport chain and the conversion of NADP to NADPH
 150 is sufficiently quick. Here, we relax these assumptions and introduce the dynamics of NAD, NADH, NADP,
 151 and NADPH to model0.

152 Here, we introduce two phenomenological reactions shown in Table.1 and the replacement of the nicoti-
 153 namide nucleotide carriers by the adenine nucleotide carriers are not performed. A full list of the reactions
 154 is provided in *SI Data.3*.

Reaction Name	Reaction Formula
ATPPMF	$\text{NADH} + \text{ADP} \rightarrow \text{NAD} + \text{ATP}$
NADTRHD	$\text{NAD} + \text{NADPH} \rightarrow \text{NADH} + \text{NADP}$

Table 1: Reactions added to model0

155 The reaction "ATPPMF" is for the ATP generation using proton motive force which consists of NADH16,
 156 CYTBD, and ATPS4r in the original core model. NADTRHD has the same stoichiometry as that in the core
 157 model except for the hydrogen ion.

158 In the model, the degradation and growth-dilution term are omitted for their dynamics, and $[\text{nad}] + [\text{nadh}]$
 159 and $[\text{nadp}] + [\text{nadph}]$ are constant because the cofactors are not newly synthesized in the model. For simplicity,
 160 here we set $[\text{atp}] + [\text{adp}] + [\text{amp}] = [\text{nad}] + [\text{nadh}] = [\text{nadp}] + [\text{nadph}] = A_t$.

161 Here we used the randomly-generated initial conditions with $u_{i,n}$ as the random number, $10^{u_{i,n}}$, $u_{i,n} \in$
 162 $[-1, 1]$, instead of the initial condition generated by the perturbation. The concentrations of the cofactors
 163 are normalized after assigning the random numbers. We found in this model the distinct trajectories emerge
 164 when the range of initial concentration of pyruvate is set to $[1, 10^3]$ (i.e, $u_{i,n} \in [0, 3]$ for pyruvate) as shown
 165 in Figs. S11. This is qualitatively consistent with the result of the minimal model in the main text that
 166 pyruvate plays a crucial role to display distinct relaxation behaviors. Including the nicotinamide nucleotide
 167 carries simply changes the needed pyruvate level to have a dormant trajectory quantitatively.

168 In this model, the separation of the trajectories is unclear in the two-dimensional PC space (Fig. S11B),
169 while it is in the three-dimensional PC space (Fig. S11C). Note that, in these figures, we colored the tra-
170 jectories based on A_{\min} because the distribution of A_{\min} showed clear bimodality. However, it is not fully
171 consistent with the separation of the trajectories in Fig. S11C. This is probably because A_{\min} alone is now
172 an insufficient indicator of the energetic state of the cell. For more precise coloring, the contributions of the
173 nicotinamide nucleotide carriers should be incorporated, while it is beyond the scope of the present study.

174 10 Random Reduction

175 We obtained the minimal model by manually deciding the order of the reaction removal. However, in general,
176 the resulting minimal models by the reduction depending on the order of the removal. For asking if what we
177 learned from the minimal model in the main text is generic, here we reduce the *E. coli* core model in random
178 orders.

179 For the random reduction, we randomly choose a reaction and check if the reaction is removable by
180 Algorithm.1 and iterate it until reaching the stage where no more reaction is removable. Pseudo-codes for
181 the two algorithms are presented in the following. For the random reduction, we generated 256 random initial
182 points¹ for each trial to compute the distribution of the expansion ratio. The reaction lists of 16 minimal
183 models obtained from different random seeds for the reduction are given in *SI Data.4*.

184 Algorithm.1 requires the reaction network (a list of the reactions) and the name of the reaction to be
185 removed as inputs. If the reaction is removable from the network, it returns the reaction network without
186 the reaction while it returns the same reaction network as the input if the reaction is not removable.

187 The algorithm first checks whether the input reaction can be simply removed (line 3) or the contraction
188 is needed (line 6). In the case where the removal of the input reaction leads to dead-end chemicals (chemicals
189 with only one reaction connected), the algorithm computes a set of reactions T . T is a minimal set of
190 reactions including the input reaction so the simultaneous removal of the reactions in T from the reaction
191 network does not lead to dead-end chemicals (line 10).

192 If a chemical in the growth reaction is eliminated by the reaction removal, a neighboring chemical in the
193 backbone network B (the reaction network without ATP, ADP, and AMP) is chosen as the replacement of
194 the eliminated chemical (line 17 – 19).

195 By the removal of the reaction, we obtain a candidate of the reduced reaction network \tilde{R} . Then, the
196 algorithm checks if the network \tilde{R} satisfies the following three conditions, namely, connectivity, the existence
197 of a non-zero steady flux without the degradation and growth dilution, and multimodality of the distribution
198 of the expansion ratio (line 20).

199 Algorithm.2 calls Algorithm.1 with a randomly selected reaction(s) and check if the obtained network is
200 minimal.

201 For checking if the distribution of the expansion ratio is multimodal and/or long-tailed, we construct to
202 simulate the kinetic model of \tilde{R} with a default parameter set used in the main text ($v = 1$ and $\kappa = 10^{-6}$ for
203 all reactions, $[\text{glc}] = 1.0, A_t = 1.0, r = 0.1$, and $d = 10^{-8}$). The initial condition is randomly generated as
204 10^u with u as the uniformly distributed random number in $[-1, 1]$.

205 By the random reduction, we obtained two groups of minimal models classified by the shape of the
206 distribution of the expansion ratio. The first case shows clear multimodality (model #0 – #13). The second
207 case shows a long-tail rather than additional peaks (model #14 and #15).

208 In the rest of this section, these two minimal models exhibiting the unimodal distribution with a plateau
209 are not used for further analysis.

210 All the minimal models had more reactions than the minimal model in the main text. Interestingly, the
211 network structures of the minimal models are qualitatively different depending on whether the model exhibits
212 the clear bimodal distribution of the expansion ratio or not. The models with the bimodal distribution share
213 two network features, namely, (i) ATP, ADP, and AMP are in the model, and (ii) there are both types of
214 reactions; with- and without- the adenine nucleotide carriers coupling as well as branching of the network.

¹ $10^{u_{i,n}}$ with $u_{i,n}$ as the random number for the i th chemical and the n th initial point, being uniformly distributed in $[-1, 1]$.
The concentrations of ATP, ADP, and AMP are normalized so that the total concentration is A_t .

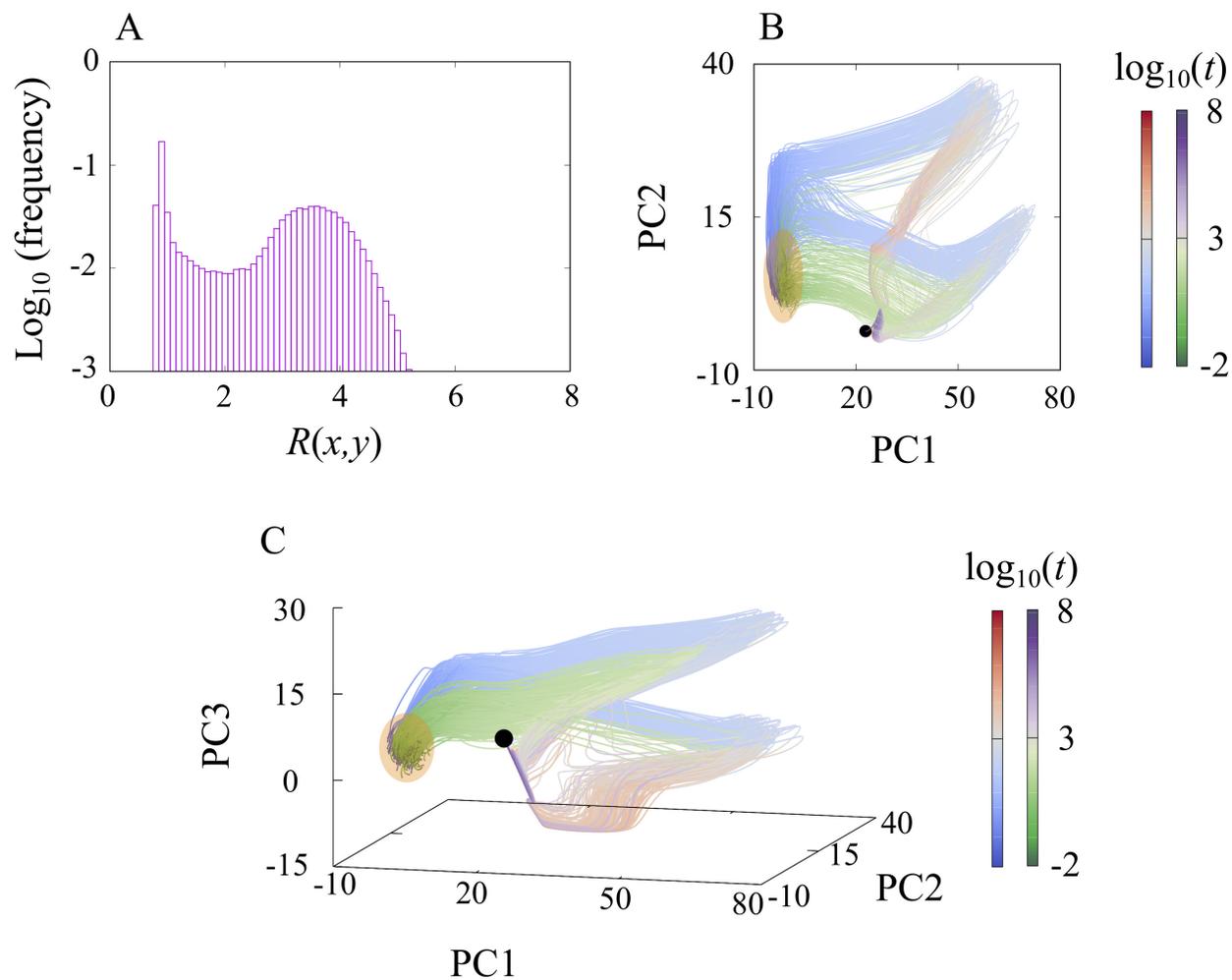


Figure S11: A. The distribution of the expansion ratio of model0 with NAD, NADH, NADP, and NADPH, showing clear bimodality. B and C. The trajectories in the 2-dimensional (B) and 3-dimensional (C) PC space. The green-white-purple and blue-white-red colored trajectories are the growth- and the dormant trajectories, respectively. The trajectories are colored based on A_{\min} . The black dot represents the attractor and the initial points cluster in the region highlighted in orange. $v = 1$ and $\kappa = 10^{-6}$ for all reactions. Other parameters are $[\text{glc}] = 1.0$, $A_t = 1/3$, $r = 0.1$, and $d = 10^{-8}$.

Algorithm 1 Compute a reduced network from given network R and a reaction to be removed rxn

Notations:

- R : the reaction network
- B : the reaction network without atp, adp, and amp
- $R - T$: the reaction network without the reactions in T
- $E(k)$: the number of reactions that the chemical k is associated

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1:  $C \leftarrow$  the list of chemicals in  $R$ 
2:  $C_0 \leftarrow C - \text{'glc'}$ 
3: if  $E(k) \geq 2$  for  $\forall k \in C_0$  after  $\text{rxn}$  is removed then
4:   RemoveList  $\leftarrow$  [ $\text{rxn}$ ]
5:   RenameList  $\leftarrow$  []
6: else if  $\text{rxn}$  is one-to-one reaction in  $B$  and no loop b/w substrate and product of  $\text{rxn}$  then
7:   RemoveList  $\leftarrow$  [ $\text{rxn}$ ]
8:   RenameList  $\leftarrow$  [(Substrate of  $\text{rxn}$ , Product of  $\text{rxn}$ )]
9: else
10:  find a minimal reaction set  $T$  so that  $E(k) \geq 2$  or  $E(k) = 0$  for  $\forall k \in C_0$  in  $R - T$ 
11:  RemoveList  $\leftarrow$   $T$ 
12:  RenameList  $\leftarrow$  []
13: end if
14:  $\tilde{R} \leftarrow R - \text{RemoveList}$ 
15:  $\tilde{C} \leftarrow$  chemicals in  $\tilde{R}$ 
16: Rename chemical names in  $\tilde{R}$  and  $\tilde{C}$  according to RenameList
17: if a growth factor  $g_i$  is removed then
18:  replace  $g_i$  by a closest chemical on  $B$ 
19: end if
20: if Connected and Non-zero steady flux exists and The dist. of the exp. ratio is multimodal then
21:  return  $\tilde{R}$ 
22: else
23:  return  $R$ 
24: end if
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215 These are the vital network features for the model to satisfy the two conditions for the distinct trajectories
 216 discussed in the main text. We like to emphasise that during the random model reductions, several models
 217 without AMP were generated, while none of them showed a multimodal distribution of the expansion ratio
 218 and they were rejected based on the distribution of the expansion ratio.

219 On the other hand, the minimal models exhibiting the distribution of the expansion ratio with a long-
 220 tail lack the second condition, i.e, all the reactions are coupled with the adenine nucleotide carriers. As a
 221 consequence, all the metabolic reactions are uniformly slowed down even if ATP and ADP deplete, and thus,
 222 the distinction among the trajectories is not as clear as the other minimal models.

223 In Figs. S13, we plotted the trajectories of each minimal model. Since we found that the distributions
 224 of A_{\min} (see section. 3) of the minimal models were double-peaked, we colored the trajectories by the same
 225 criterion used in section. 3. Interestingly, there are several types of minimal models in terms of the visual
 226 impression of the trajectories in PC1-PC2 space; The minimal models showing clear separations of two types
 227 of trajectories as the minimal model studied in the main text (#1, #2, #6 – #8, #11 and #12), models
 228 exhibiting the oscillation during the relaxation (#3 and #10), and models where the separation of the
 229 trajectories is not quite clear (#0, #4, #5, #9 and #13)². However, in the original high-dimensional phase-
 230 space, the two types of trajectories are distinct in terms of the L/D ratio (see section. 5) for the models with
 231 the bimodal distribution of the expansion ratio (model #0-#13) as shown in Fig. S14.

Algorithm 2 The algorithm for a random reduction (the same notation with Algorithm 1 is used)

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1: while 1 do
2:   RxnList  $\leftarrow$  All reactions in  $R$ –[‘growth reaction’]
3:   Shuffle RxnList
4:   for r in RxnList do
5:      $R_0 \leftarrow$  SingleLoopReduction( $R, r$ ) (see Alg. 1)
6:     if  $R_0 \neq R$  then
7:       break
8:     end if
9:   end for
10:  if  $R = R_0$  then
11:    return R
12:  end if
13:   $R \leftarrow R_0$ 
14: end while

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232 11 Random Parameters

233 In the main text, we saw that the distinct trajectories emerge in two sets of parameter values, the realistic
 234 setting and uniform assignment for v_i 's and k_i 's. Here, we like to check the robustness of the emergence of the
 235 distinct trajectories by randomly assigning the parameter values.

236 Thus, here we simulated model0 with a variety of parameter values. As concluded in the main test, the
 237 concentrations of ATP and ADP play a crucial role in the emergence of distinct trajectories. Therefore, we
 238 studied the nature of relaxation dynamics of the model with several values of the total concentrations of the
 239 adenine nucleotide carriers A_t ($= [\text{atp}] + [\text{adp}] + [\text{amp}]$). Besides, for the kinetic parameters for the rate
 240 equation (v_i 's and k_i 's. see Eq.(3) in the main text), we assigned random values. We keep the concentration of
 241 the nutrient [glc], the degradation constant d , and the proportionality constant between the growth reaction
 242 and the growth rate r unchanged from the main text.

243 For each values of A_t , we generated 32 random vectors of parameters $\vec{p} = (\vec{v}, \vec{k})$ where \vec{v} and \vec{k} are vector
 244 representation of the parameters v_i 's and k_i 's, respectively. For each \vec{p} , we ran the differential equations from

²Note that the reductions were done in random order and the same minimal network can result. Actually, there are several the same model pairs, namely, #0 and #13, #1 and #7, #3 and #10 and #4 and #9.

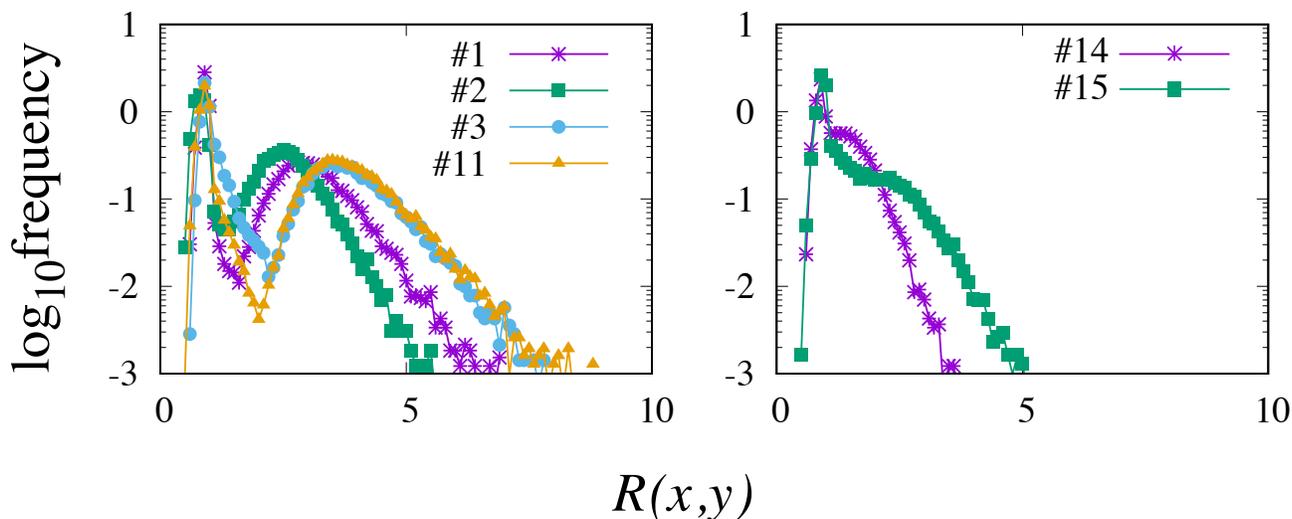


Figure S12: Two types of resulted distribution of the expansion ratio. The first type exhibiting the clear multimodality (left) and the second type showing a long-tail rather than additional extrema (right). Labels in the panels are the indices of the minimal models.

245 128 randomly generated initial points and computed the distribution of the expansion ratio. v_i 's and k_i 's are
 246 given as 10^u where u is an uniformly-distributed random number. For v_i 's, u ranges from 0 to 1, while it
 247 ranges from -6 to -4 or from -4 to -2 for k_i 's.

248 Fig. S15 shows the fraction of \vec{p} 's that led a bimodal distribution as a function of A_t . The results obtained
 249 from two different ranges of k_i 's are overlaid. The bimodality is judged by using the same criterion described in
 250 Sec.2. The fraction of parameter sets leading to a bimodal distribution of the expansion ratio is a decreasing
 251 function of A_t if k_i 's ranges from 10^{-4} to 10^{-2} , while interestingly, it shows non-monotonic behaviour in the
 252 case where k_i 's ranges from 10^{-6} to 10^{-4} . Thus, the emergence of distinct trajectories robustly takes place
 253 while the chance of it with random parameter assignments eventually decreases as A_t increases.

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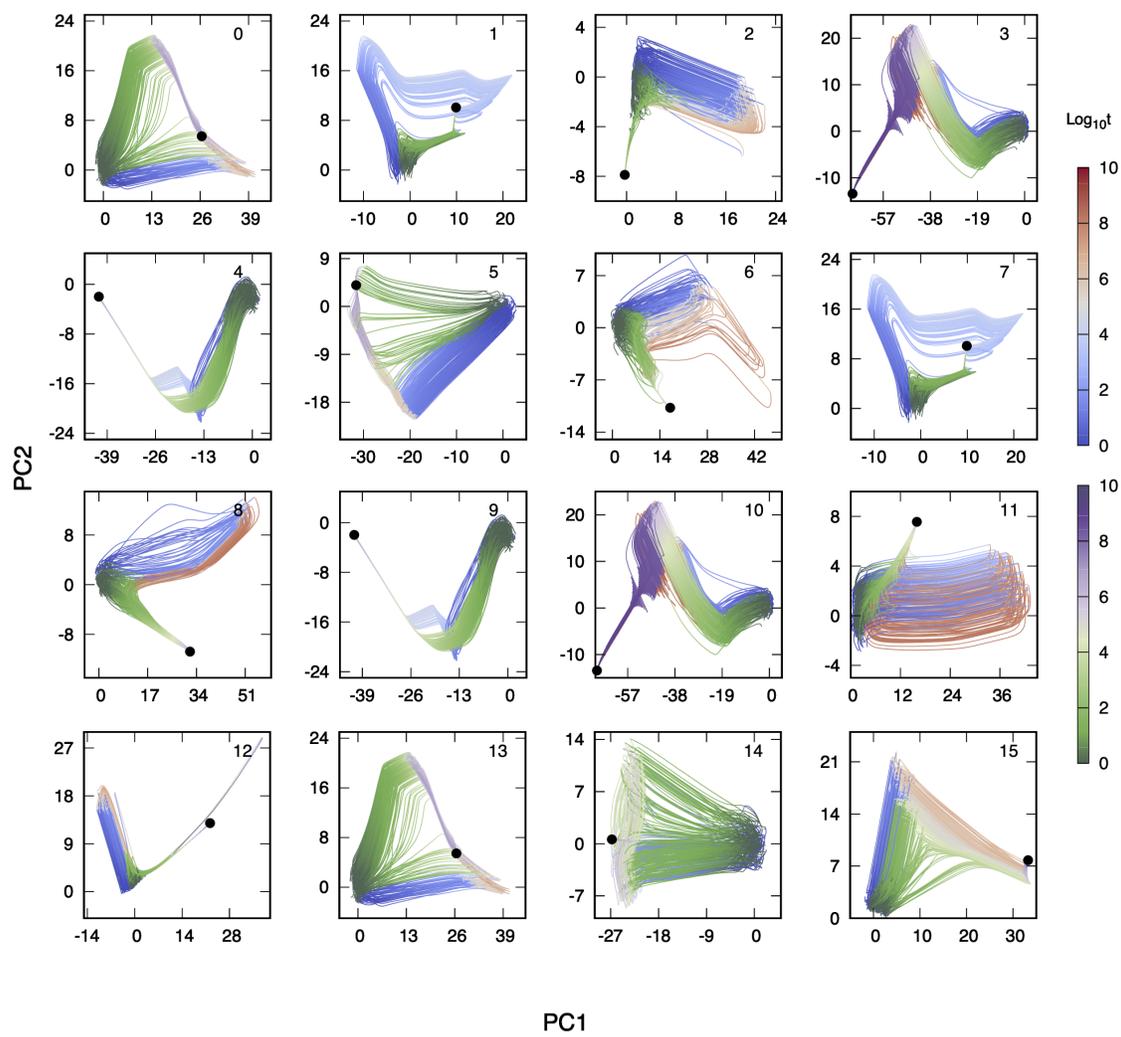


Figure S13: The trajectories on the PCS. Trajectories are colored according to A_{\min} .

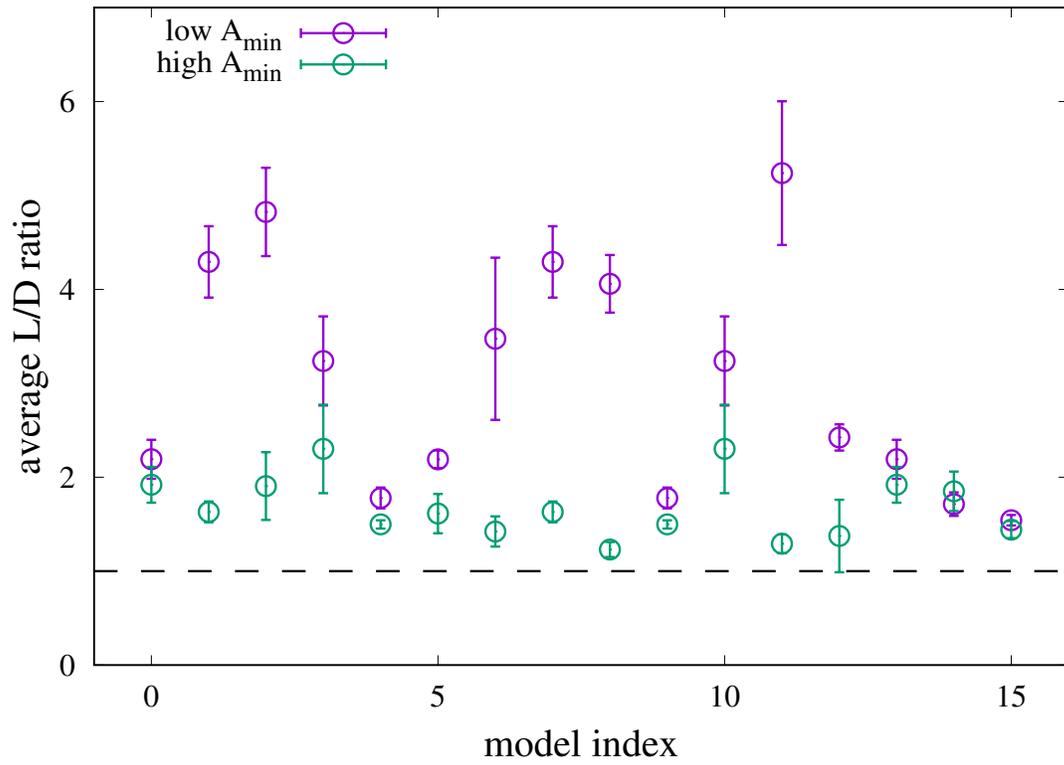


Figure S14: The average L/D ratio of for the minimal models obtained by the random reduction. Error bars indicate the standard deviation. The trajectories with low A_{\min} has a higher L/D ratio than that of trajectories with high A_{\min} . The black dashed line is $L/D = 1$ for an eye guide.

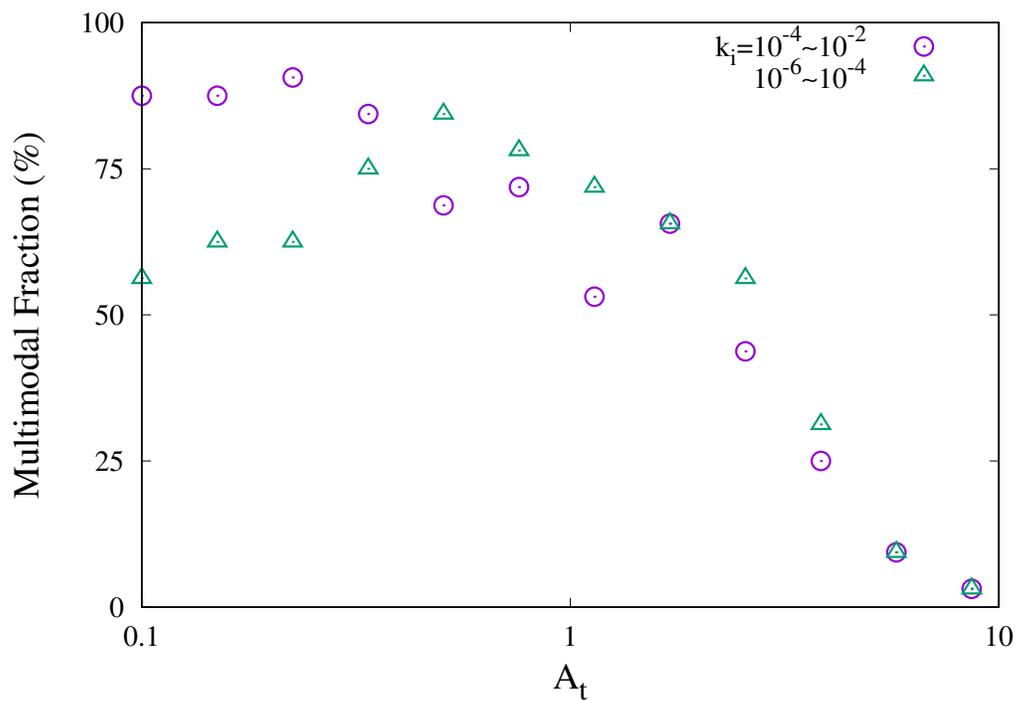


Figure S15: The fraction of the parameter sets leading to a multimodal distribution of the expansion ratio is plotted as the function of the total adenine nucleotide carriers concentration, A_t . The result obtained from the simulations with two different ranges of k_i 's are overlaid.