Pruning in RMG-Py

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Why to Do Pruning

- For complex systems, memory limitation
- Most memory occupied by edge species
- Most edge species won't be included in final model
- Pruning is trying to get rid of edge species which have least possibility of entering core

Key Params in Pruning

- toleranceInterruptSimulation
- toleranceMoveToCore
- toleranceKeepInEdge
- maximumEdgeSpecies

How Pruning Works



Which Species to Prune



Which Species to Prune



Simulation Runs to Termination



ToleranceInterruptSimulation



ToleranceMoveToCore



ToleranceInterruptSimulation



Normal Rules for Params

- toleranceInterruptSimulation ≥toleranceMoveToCore
 - Otherwise, always interruption without enlarging core
 - Special cases: equal to each other; Interruption tol \rightarrow infinity
- toleranceKeepInEdge has the unit for flux
 - Not convenient, maybe can do pruning just based on rank
- maximumEdgeSpecies
 - Start deleting species with lowest fluxes if total edge species number exceeds maximumEdgeSpecies

Further Questions to Ask

- How effective it can save memory when dealing with complex kinetics system?
- How it affects model generation/model content?
 - By compare models with and without pruning

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