



# A Framework for Modular Modeling and Analysis of Signaling Networks

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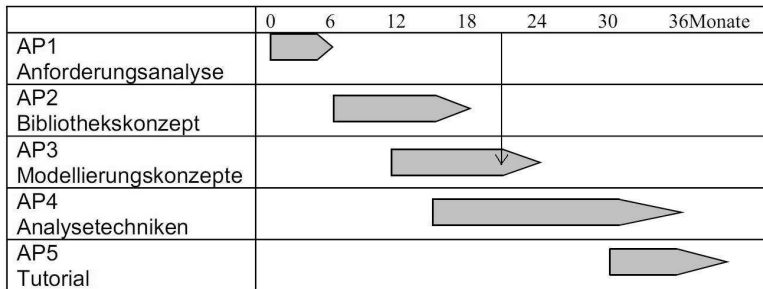
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# Project Milestones

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- WP1 - Requirements analysis
- WP2 - Library approach for generic model components
- WP3 - Modeling concepts for dealing with model alternatives
- WP4 - Analysis techniques for identification and behavior comparison of model components
- WP5 - Tutorial

# Schedule



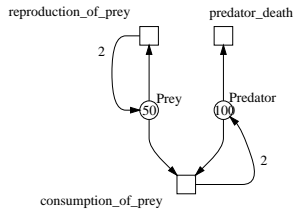
# Introduction

# Prey-Predator

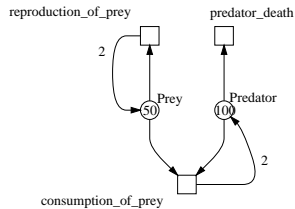


# Petri net model for the Prey-Predator relationship

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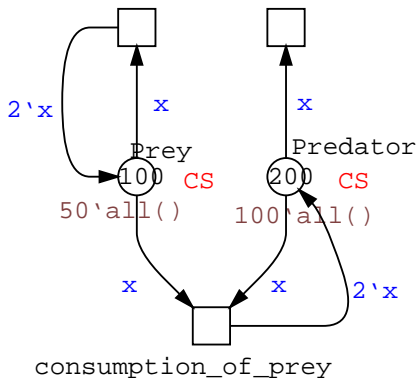


sub-system2



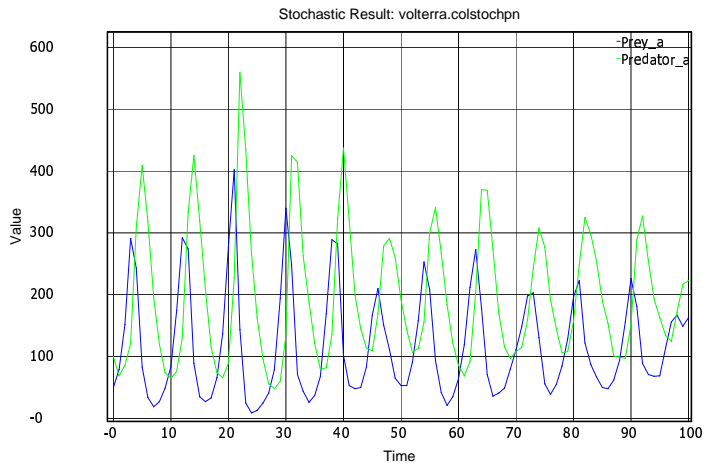
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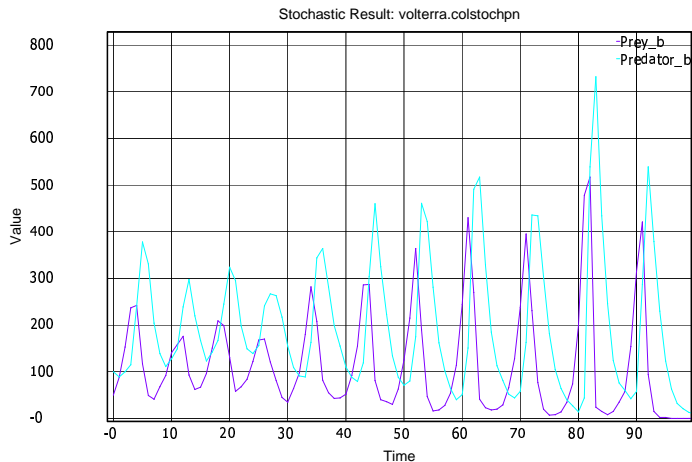




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# Why use colored Petri nets

- Compact and readable representation,
- Scalable models,
- Increasing net size = increasing color sets,
- Analysis techniques of low-level Petri nets by automatic unfolding,
- Analysis techniques of high-level Petri nets.

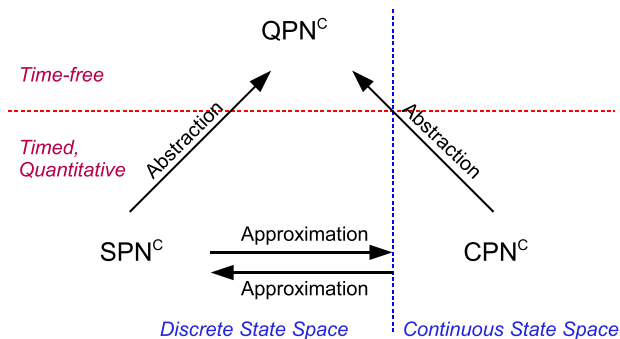
# Project Results

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# Overview of main results

- Framework and Prototypes
- Implementation details
- Case studies

# Colored Petri nets-based framework



# Colored qualitative Petri net ( $QPN^C$ )

- A colored extension of extended P/T net,  
e.g., inhibitor arc, read arc, equal arc and reset arc,
- Predefined data types for color set definition:
  - ▶ Simple types: dot, integer, string, Boolean, enumeration, index,
  - ▶ Compound types: product, union.

# Colored stochastic Petri net ( $SPN^C$ )

- A colored extension of biochemically interpreted extended stochastic Petri nets,
- Many features helpful for modeling biological systems, e.g., initial marking definition, rate function definition.



# Colored continuous Petri net ( $CPN^C$ )

- A colored extension of biochemically interpreted continuous Petri nets,
- Many features helpful for modeling biological systems, e.g., initial marking definition, rate function definition.

# Features for modeling

- Drawing of the Petri net graph as usual.
- Rich data types for color set definition: dot, int, string, bool, enum, index, product, union.
- User-defined functions.
- Concise specification of initial marking for larger color sets.
- Rate function definition for each transition instance.
- Several extended arc types, such as inhibitor arc, read arc, equal arc, reset arc, and modifier arc.
- Several special transitions: stochastic transitions with freestyle rate functions, immediate transitions, deterministic transitions, and scheduled transitions.
- Highlighting the markings, color sets, guards, and expressions.

# Features for animation (for $QPN^C/SPN^C$ )

- Automatic animation,
- Single-step animation by manually choosing a binding.

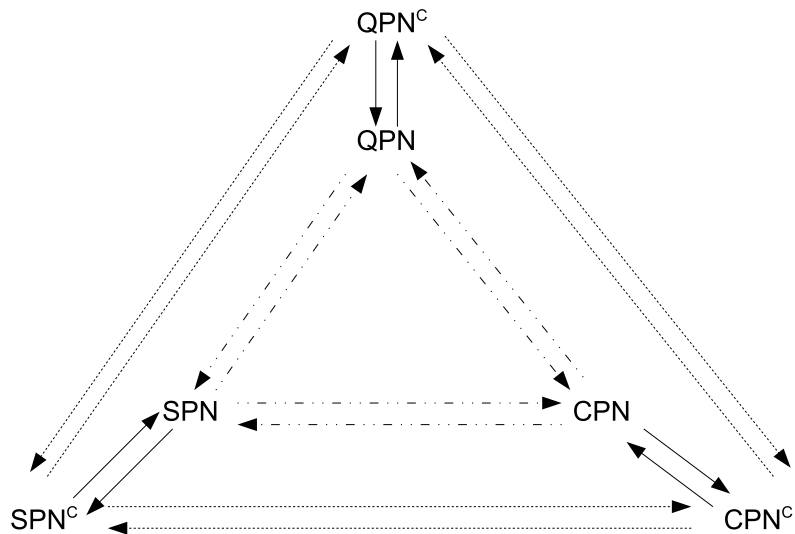
## Features for simulation (for $SPN^C/CPN^C$ )

- Simulation is done on an automatically unfolded Petri net.
- Show or export simulation results for colored or uncolored places/transitions separately or together.
- Several simulation algorithms to simulate  $SPN^C$ , including the Gieslepie stochastic simulation algorithm (SSA) [Gil77].
- Several simulation algorithms to simulate  $CPN^C$ , including the Euler algorithm, Runge-Kutta algorithm etc.

## Features for export

- $QPN^C$ ,  $SPN^C$  and  $CPN^C$  are exported to different net formalisms within Snoopy,
- Export/import beyond Snoopy, e.g., export to CPN tools.

# Export relationships among different net formalisms



## Other results

- Manual for  $QPN^C/SPN^C/CPN^C$ ,
- Algorithm for computation of enabled transition instances for colored Petri nets,
- Algorithm for unfolding of colored Petri nets.

# Case studies

- the cooperative ligand binding,
- the *C. elegans* vulval development,
- the repressilator,
- the halobacterium phototaxis,
- $Ca^{2+}$ -regulated intracellular  $Ca^{2+}$  channels,
- pain switch.



# Next Steps

## Next steps

- Continue to color pain switch models,
- Improve the manual for colored Petri nets,
- Improve colored continuous Petri nets,
- Develop analysis techniques for colored stochastic Petri nets,
- Coupling with the database developed by M2,  
needs to be discussed.

# Thank You !

Begin to demonstrate  $QPN^C / SPN^C / CPN^C$