

# MARCIE - Model checking And Reachability analysis done effiCIently

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Model checking and Reachability done efficiently

- is a tool to validate generalized stochastic Petri nets
- supports qualitative and quantitative analysis of standard properties
- offers qualitative and quantitative model checking capabilities
- implements therefore state of the art techniques,  
*most of them in a multi-threaded fashion*

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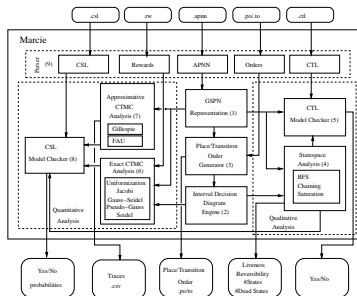
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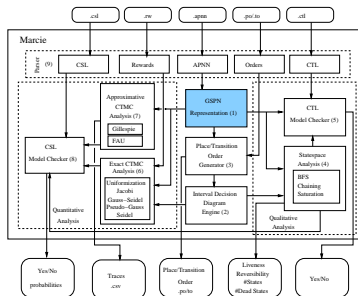
- command line tool
- entirely written in C++
- about 40,000 LOC
- libraries: *flex/bison*, *GMP*, *pthread*s, *boost*
- available for Linux and MAC OS



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## GSPN Representation

- stochastic transitions with marking-dependent rate functions
- immediate transitions with weights
- extended arcs (read arcs, inhibitor arcs, reset arcs)

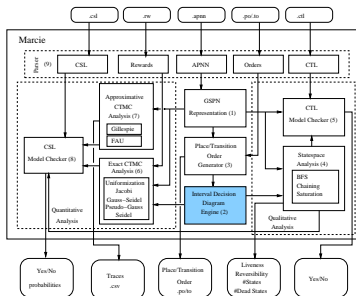




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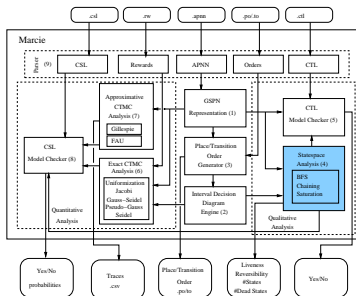
## IDD Engine

- Interval Decision Diagram (BDD generalization)
- implementation characteristics
  - shared IDD's
  - fast unique tables and operation caches
  - garbage collection
  - dedicated operations to fire  $PN$  transitions





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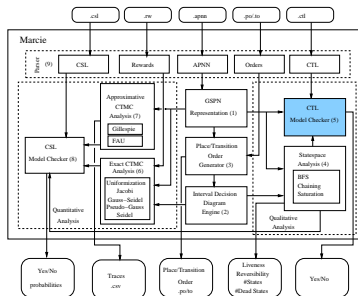
## State Space Analysis of bounded Petri nets generation algorithms:

- Breath-First-Search
- Transition Chaining
- Saturation

## behavioural properties:

- dead states
- reversibility
- liveness

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## CTL Model Checker

efficient symbolic implementation of the standard CTL model checking algorithm

- atomic propositions: arithmetic and boolean expressions over the marking of places

- state formulas:

$$\phi ::= \phi \vee \phi \mid \neg \phi \mid \phi \wedge \phi \mid \phi \Leftrightarrow \phi \mid \phi \Rightarrow \phi \mid A\psi \mid E\psi$$

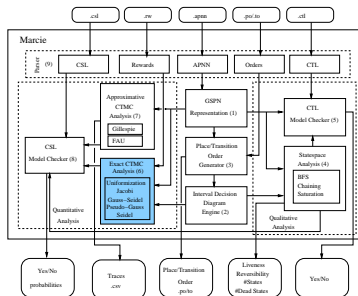
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$$\psi ::= X\phi \mid \phi U\phi \mid F\phi \mid G\phi$$

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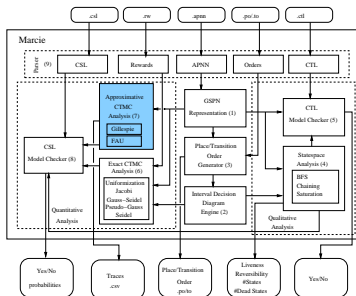
## ”Exact” CTMC Analysis

- computation of probability distributions
- transient analysis - uniformization method
- steady state analysis - iterative methods – Jacobi and (Pseudo-) Gauss-Seidel
- basic operation is a matrix-vector multiplication
  - “on-the-fly” computation of the matrix based on the symbolic state space representation (IDD)
  - *multi-threaded*



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## Approximative CTMC Analysis



### 1. Stochastic Simulation

- single trajectories
- modified Gillespie algorithm
- confidence intervals
- *multi-threaded*

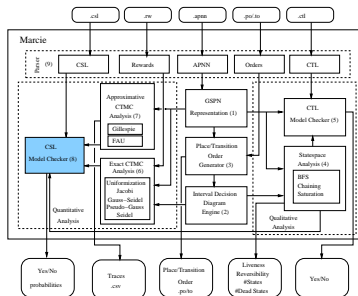
### 2. Fast Adaptive Uniformization

- adaptive uniformization
- state pruning
- produces often a very small part of the state space

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## CSL Model Checker

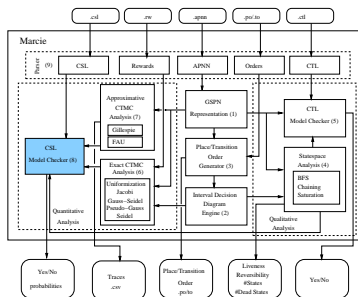
- CSL is a stochastic extension of CTL
- $\mathcal{P}_op$  replaces  $E$  and  $A$
- $\mathcal{S}_op$  allows to reason about steady state behaviour
- temporal operators are decorated with time intervals



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## CSL Model Checker

- CSL model checking algorithm is similar to CTL
- but the evaluation of  $\mathcal{P}$  and  $\mathcal{S}$  requires the computation of a probability distribution
- standard CTMC analysis techniques can be applied
- for unnested and time-bounded formulas approximation or simulation can be used
- *multi-threaded*

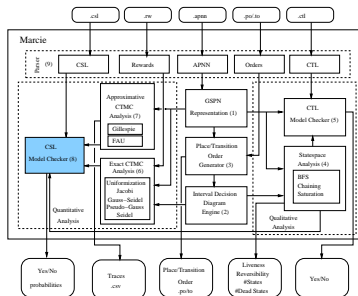




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## CSL Model Checker

- extensions to reason about expectations of rewards
- new operator  $\mathcal{R}_{\circ\triangledown}$  with
  - $[C_{\leq t}]$  the cumulative reward
  - $[I_{=t}]$  the instantaneous reward
  - $[F(sp)]$  the cumulative reward until the first occurrence of a state satisfying  $sp$
  - $[S]$  expected reward at steady state

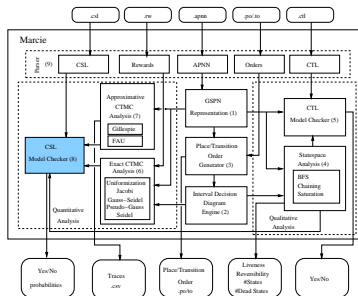


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## CSRL Model Checker

- Continuous Stochastic Reward Logic
- temporal operators are decorated with a time *and* a reward interval
- performability:

$$P_{=?}[\text{true}\mathbf{U}_{[t,t][0,r]}\psi]$$

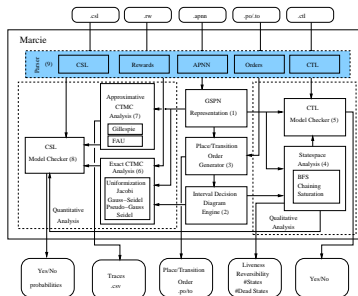


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## Parser

component to allow the input of

- the GSPN in an adaption of *APNN*
- reward structures as in the PRISM language
- CSL/CTL formulas
- place/transition orders in simple text format



## Related Tools

short selection of widely used tools

- PRISM - University of Oxford  
<http://www.prismmodelchecker.org>
- MRMC - RWTH Aachen  
<http://www.mrmc-tool.org>
- SMART - University of California at Riverside  
<http://www.cs.ucr.edu/~ciardo/SMART/>

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multi-threading	yes	yes	yes	yes
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# PRISM vs. MARCIE

## Exact Quantitative Analysis

### Similarities

- based on Decision Diagrams (DD)
- multiplication by DD traversal, state indices are computed using offsets during the traversal
- explicit storage of probability vectors and the diagonal entries
- similar caching strategies

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multi-threading	no	yes

# Experimental Results

## Case studies

- Flexible Manufacturing System
- Kanban
- Polling Server System
- AKAP scaffold-mediated crosstalk
- Angiogenetic process

## Test system

- $8 \times 2.2\text{Ghz}$  MAC Pro
- 32GB RAM
- Cent OS 5.5

## Experiments

- transient analysis
- steady state analysis
- simulative analysis

# State space size

Size of the reachability graphs for different model configurations.

model	N	states	transitions
<i>FMS</i>	2	810	3,699
	4	35,910	237,120
	6	537,768	4,205,670
	8	4,459,455	38,533,968
	10	25,397,658	234,523,289
	12	111,414,940	1,078,917,632
14	403,259,040	4,047,471,180	
<i>Kanban</i>	2	4,600	28,120
	4	454,475	3,979,850
	6	11,261,376	115,708,992
	8	133,865,325	1,507,898,700
<i>PSS</i>	5	240	800
	10	15,360	89,600
	15	737,280	6,144,000
	20	31,457,280	340,787,200
<i>AKAP</i>	3	1,632,240	12,691,360
	4	15,611,175	141,398,580
	5	74,612,328	734,259,344
	6	386,805,104	4,116,788,172
<i>ANG</i>	2	5,384	26,193
	4	2,413,480	21,810,412
	6	277,789,578	24,813,347,031

# Transient analysis

Total run-time including state space generation, initialization and probability computation.

The column *iter* gives the number of required iterations.

	model		MARCIE				PRISM	
	N	iter	1	2	4	8	hybrid	sparse
<i>FMS</i>	8	202	2m27s	2m28s	1m51s	1m28s	3m47s	2m50s
	10	202	13m11s	9m44s	7m51s	8m22s	27m39s	15m57s
	12	208	55m54s	42m41s	31m56s	29m57s	2h10m47s	1h39m05s
	14	208	4h07m51s	3hm35ms07s	2h48m59s	2h41m41s	8h26m38s	†
<i>Kanban</i>	4	181	6s	3s	2s	2s	12s	8s
	6	181	1m57s	1m34s	48s	34s	5m16s	3m09s
	8	181	23m59	17m53s	9m18s	6m41s	1h08m15s	43m23s
<i>PSS</i>	10	377	≪1s	≪1s	≪1s	≪1s	2s	2s
	15	377	17s	7s	4s	3s	33s	17s
	20	377	9m02s	5m32s	2m59s	2m06s	29m18s	14m22s
<i>AKAP</i>	4	1,532	25m15s	17m09s	7m49s	5m13s	52m20s	24m12s
	5	1,850	2h40m14s	1h34m36s	47m54s	30m26s	-	-
	6	2,218	-	-	5h44m53s	3h49m45s	†	†
<i>ANG</i>	4	547	1m53s	1m18s	54s	44s	2m27s	7m24s
	5	794	31m08s	20m50s	13m45s	11m46s	34m06s	4h25m34s
	6	1,093	7h36m57s	4h39m52s	3h17m47s	3h00m16s	†	†

- means that the experiment was canceled after 12 hours

† means that the CTMC could not be created using the default tool settings ‡ means that we ran out of memory

# Steady state analysis

Total run-time including state space generation, initialization, reward computation - if necessary, and probability computation. The number of required iterations is given in the columns *iter*. If possible we used the Jacobi solvers. For the Kanban and ANG models we used the Gauss-Seidel solvers. The number of iterations required by the Gauss-Seidel solvers differ between MARCIE and PRISM because of different variable orders.

model	N	MARCIE						PRISM		
		iter	1	2	4	8	iter	hybrid	sparse	
<i>FMS</i>	2	378	<<1s	<<1s	<<1s	<<1	378	2s	3s	
	6	1,084	59s	42s	57s	34s	1,084	41s	30s	
	10	1,812	1h11m15s	45m07s	30m31s	24m47s	1,812	2h25m42s	37m15s	
	12	2,193	6h13m53s	3h52m32s	2h26m17s	2h04m45s	2,193	-	3h32m11s	
	14	2,589	-	-	-	9h10m04s	†	†	†	
<i>Kanban</i>	2	48	<<1s	Gauss-Seidel				189	2	2s
	4	122	15s	no multi-threading support				323	12s	10s
	6	224	11m07s					622	9m48s	6m18s
	8	356	3h57m23s					999	3h27m27s	1h59m59s
<i>PSS</i>	10	406	<<1s	<<1s	<<1s	<<1s	406	2s	2s	
	15	657	14s	9s	5s	3s	657	24s	21s	
	20	920	16m16s	10m58s	6m21s	3m08s	920	31m28s	26m31s	
<i>AKAP</i>	4	1,433	21m17s	13m07s	7m04s	4m40s	1,433	17m37s	17m08s	
	5	1,348	1h46m52s	1h05m12s	37m39s	23m03s	-	-	-	
	6	1,659	-	8h00m02s	3h53m29s	2h43m48s	-	-	†	
<i>ANG</i>	2	<i>n.a.</i>	48s	Gauss-Seidel				<i>n.a.</i>	4m05s	28s
	3	<i>n.a.</i>	1s24m55s	no multi-threading support				†	†	†
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# Simulative analysis

Total run-time for simulations done with MARCIE and PRISM.

The confidence level is 99%, the desired accuracy  $1 \times 10^{-5}$ , which leads to 66, 348, 303 simulation runs.

model	N	t	Threads	MARCIE	PRISM
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# Work in Progress

- PLTLc model checking
- steady state simulation
- parallel simulative model checking on Graphical Processing Units
- parallelization of the (Pseudo-)Gauss-Seidel solver
- completion of the CSRL model checker

Thanks for your attention.

Questions?  
Demonstration?

<http://www-dssz.informatik.tu-cottbus.de/software/MARCIE>