

Models For All

*Standards for describing the whole life-cycle of modeling
in the life sciences*

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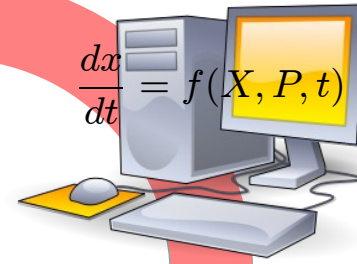
New way of doing biomedical research

Needs for interplay between models and reality tests

Experiment

model

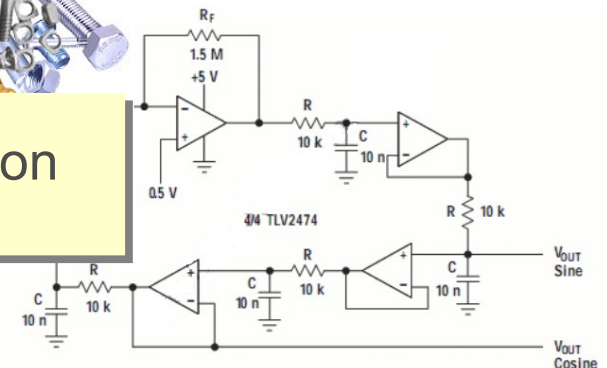
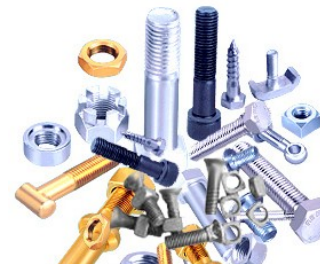
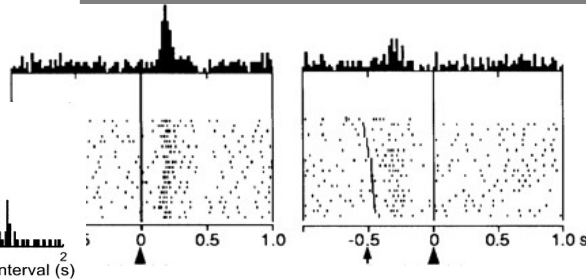
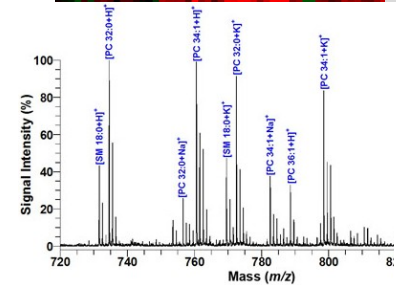
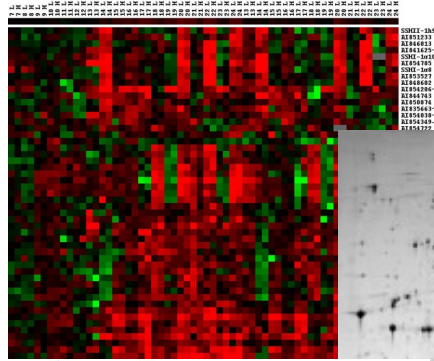
$$\frac{dx}{dt} = f(X, P, t)$$



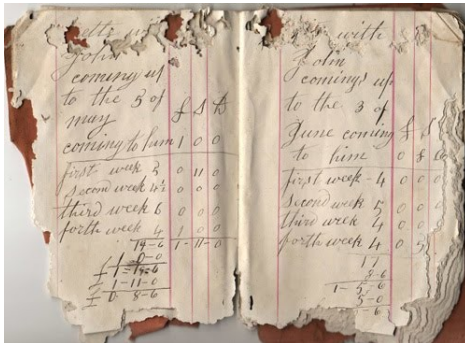
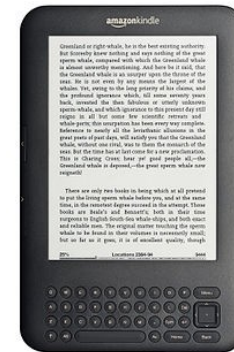
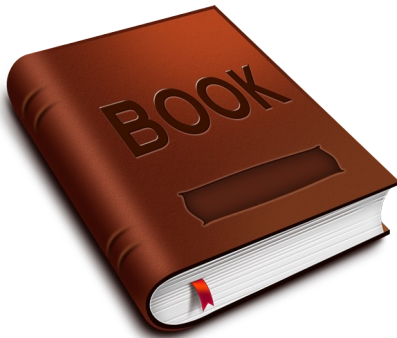
hypothesis

Needs for systems thinking and integration of heterogeneous knowledge

Needs for cooperation and standardisation



What are standards good for?



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Helvetica

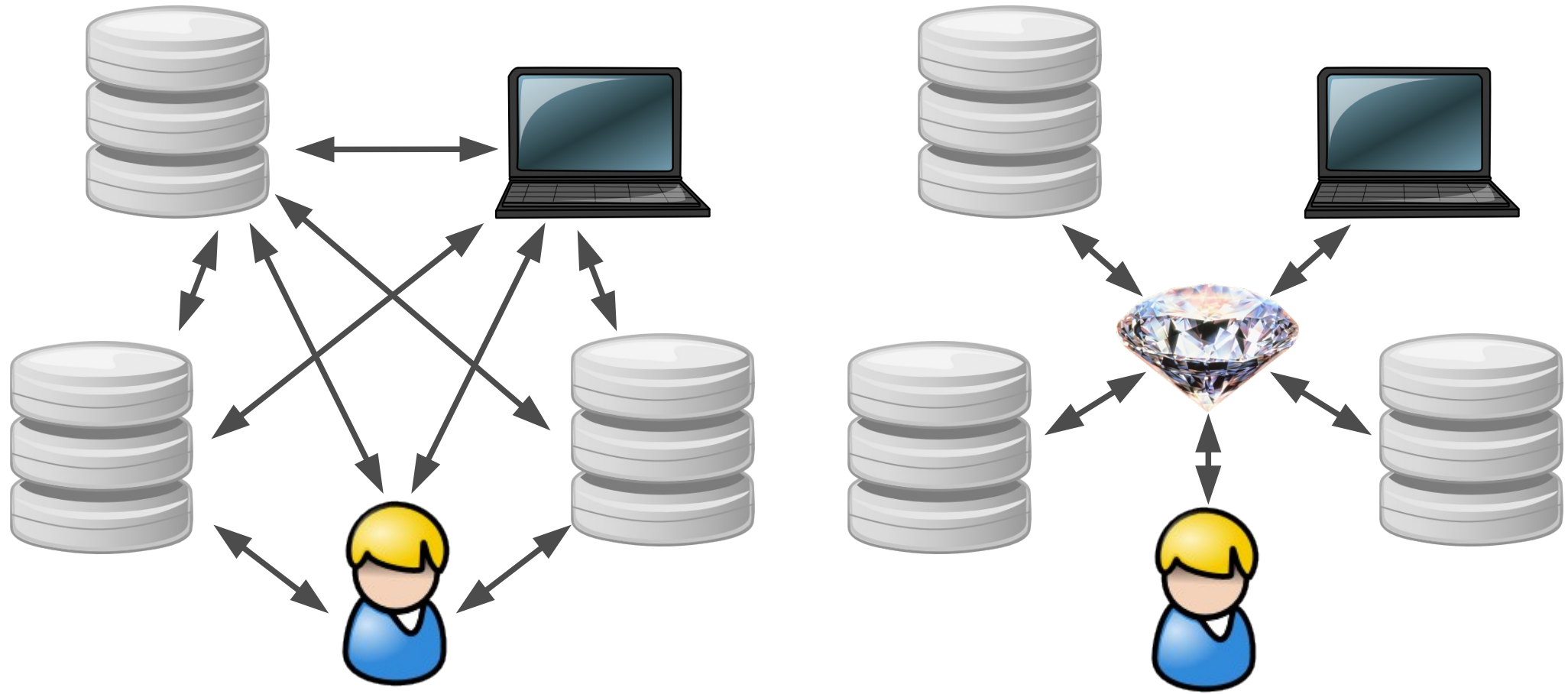
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2								
3	Task	Date	Start	End	Income	Total	Adjustments	
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5	Clothes + Wash Floor	21-Sep-2000	4:30 PM	5:00 PM	\$ 2.00	\$ 42.00		
6	Cooking		5:35 PM	6:21 PM	\$ 3.07	\$ 45.07		
7	Fold Clothes		6:25 PM	6:35 PM	\$ 0.67	\$ 45.75		
8	Fold Clothes		6:45 PM	7:10 PM	\$ 1.67	\$ 47.40		
9	Clothes Away	22-Sep-2000	6:30 AM	6:38 AM	\$ 0.40	\$ 47.80		
10	Wash Car		10:03 AM	11:23 AM	\$ 5.33	\$ 53.13		
11	Lolli Pop				\$ 0.00	\$ 53.83	\$ -0.10	
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$$\int_1^t \frac{dx}{x}$$

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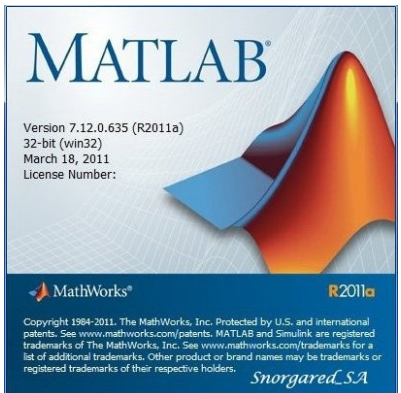
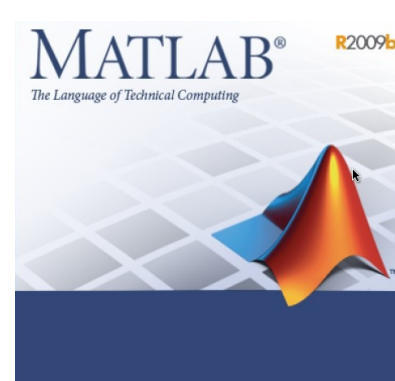
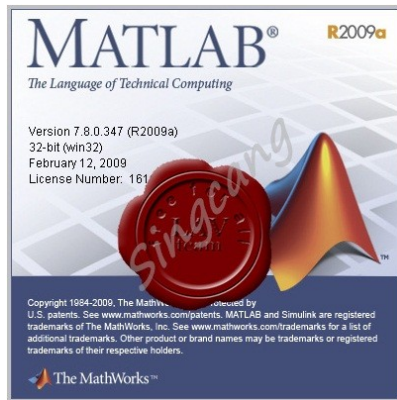
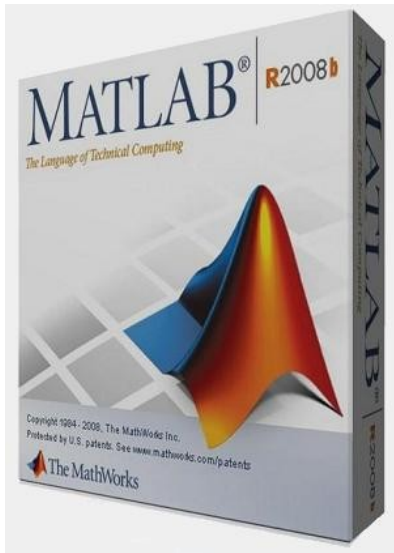
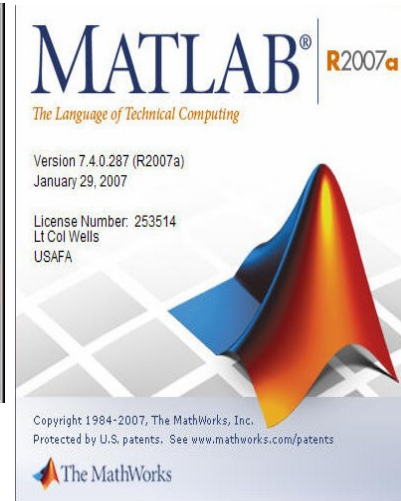
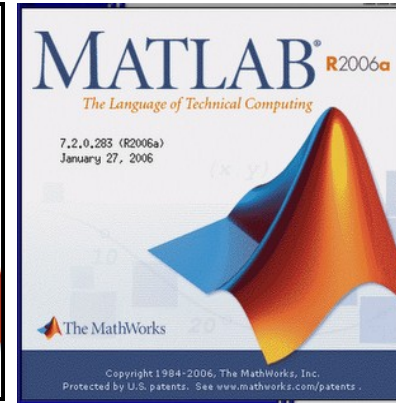
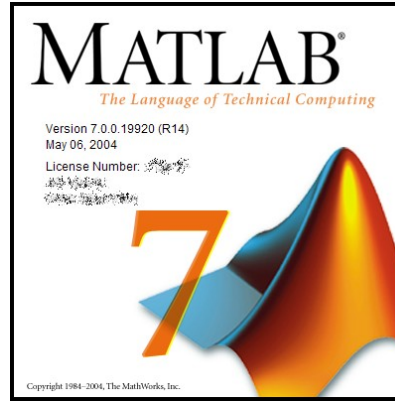
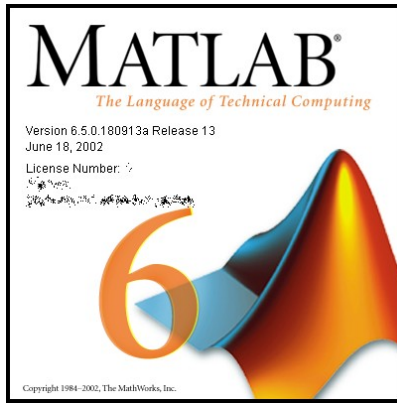
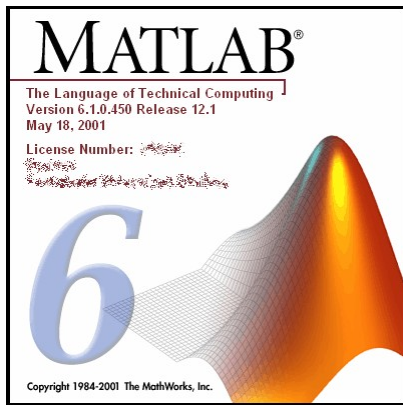
Formal languages can be read and written by computers

What are standards good for?



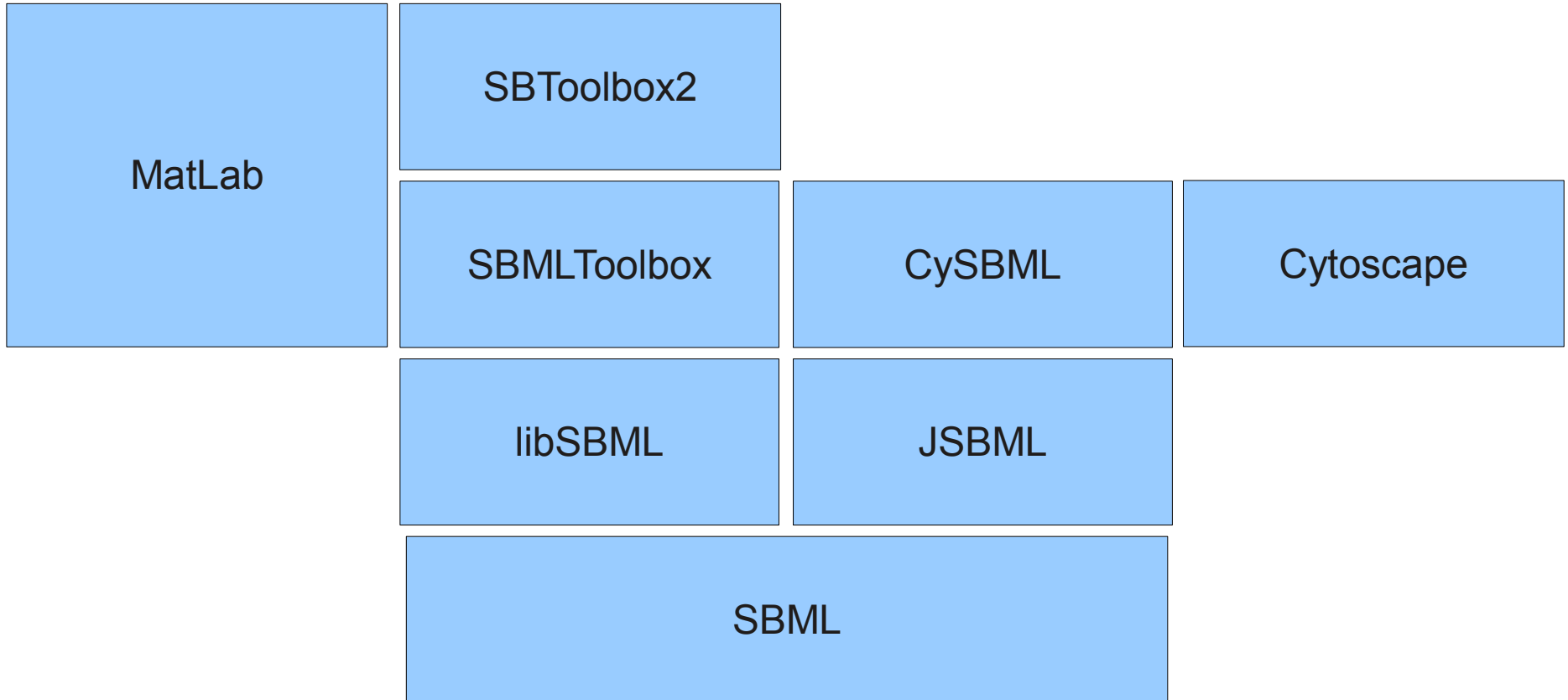
N tools require N conversions for exchange and not $N(N-1)/2$

What are standards good for?



Open standards are more stable than proprietary formats

What are standards good for?



Open standards can be built on. They generate new science

Three types of standards

Minimal requirements	What to encode in order to share experiments and understand results  MIBBI
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Terminologies	Structured representation of knowledge, with concept definitions and their relationships  OBO foundry

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A language to describe computational models in biology

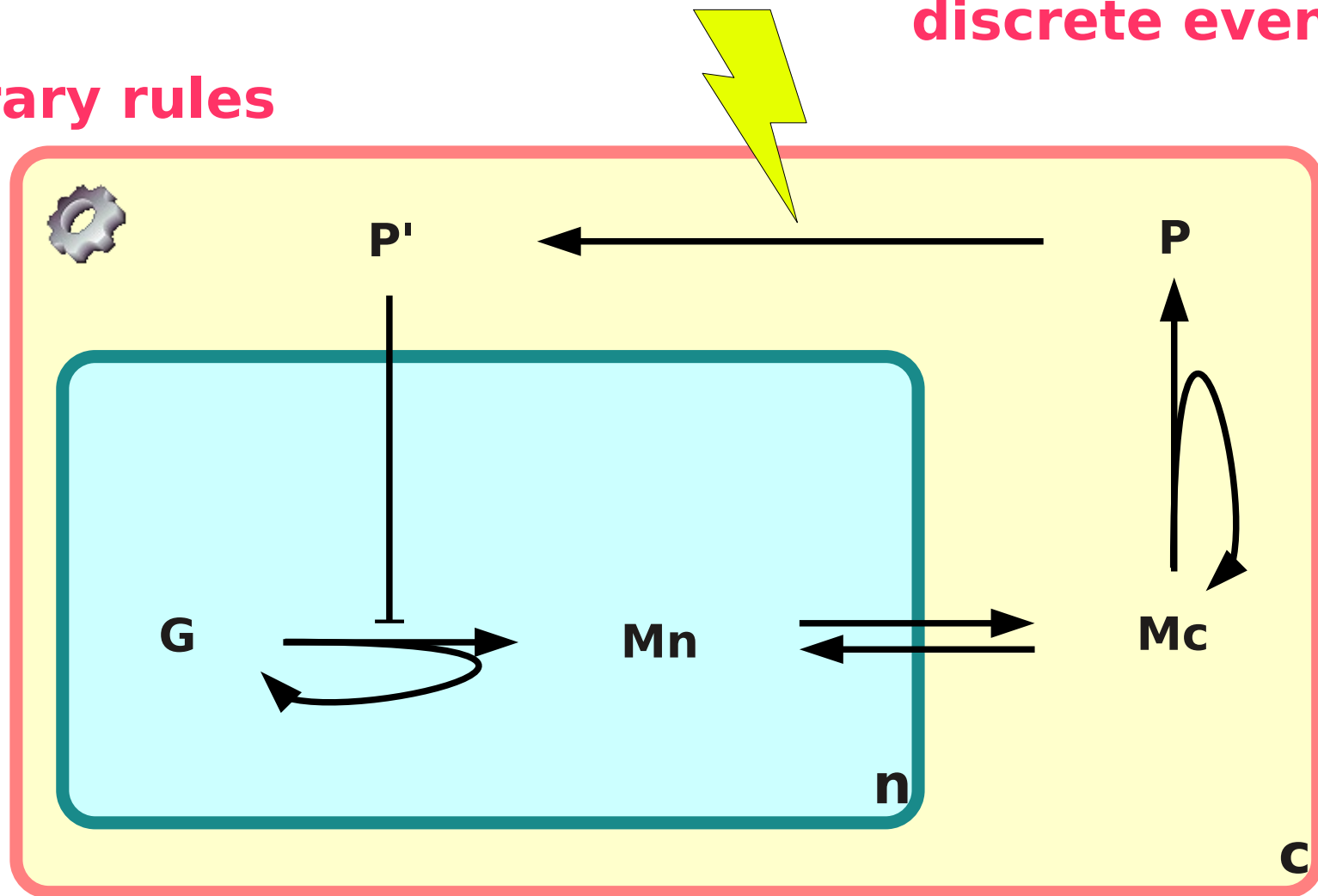
	Model descriptions
Data-models	

Born in Caltech 2000

What can we encode in SBML (core)?

arbitrary rules

discrete events



Why the Extensible Markup Language (XML)?

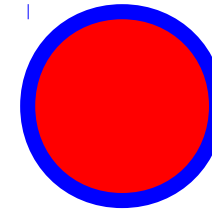
- **HTML**

A **strong word** and an
[hyperlink](http://www.w3.org/)

A strong word and an [hyperlink](#)

- **SVG**

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- **MathML**

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```

$$\int_0^a f(x) \, dx$$

- **Excel**

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    <v>102</v>
  </c>
</row>
```

	A	B	C	D
1	1	102		
2				

Why the Extensible Markup Language (XML)?

- Easy to define and validate
 - Rapid prototyping, processing tools can be generated and thrown away
- Existence of a very large toolkit
 - Libraries in every programming languages
 - A very large number of description formats in life sciences are in XML
- Associated technologies
 - Definition: XML Schema, Schematron (themselves XML)
 - Conversion: XSLT (using XSL in XML)
 - Linking: XPath and XQuery



Global structure of a SBML file

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
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    <listOfSpecies> <!-- --> </listOfSpecies>
    <listOfParameters> <!-- --> </listOfParameters>
    <listOfInitialAssignments> <!-- --> </listOfInitialAssignments>
    <listOfRules> <!-- --> </listOfRules>
    <listOfConstraints> <!-- --> </listOfConstraints>
    <listOfReactions> <!-- --> </listOfReactions>
    <listOfEvents> <!-- --> </listOfEvents>
  </model>
</sbml>
```

variables

relationships

A very simple SBML file (A $\rightarrow$ B)

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<sbml xmlns="http://www.sbml.org/sbml/level2/version4" level="2" version="4">
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      <compartment id="cell" size="1" />
    </listOfCompartments>
    <listOfSpecies>
      <species id="A" compartment="cell" initialConcentration="1"/>
      <species id="B" compartment="cell" initialConcentration="1"/>
    </listOfSpecies>
    <listOfParameters>
      <parameter id="k1" value="0.1"/>
    </listOfParameters>
    <listOfReactions>
      <reaction id="r1" reversible="false">
        <listOfReactants>
          <speciesReference species="A"/>
        </listOfReactants>
        <listOfProducts>
          <speciesReference species="B"/>
        </listOfProducts>
        <kineticLaw>
          <math xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1998/Math/MathML">
            <apply>
              <times/>
              <ci> cell </ci>
              <ci> k1 </ci>
              <ci> A </ci>
            </apply>
          </math>
        </kineticLaw>
      </reaction>
    </listOfReactions>
  </model>
</sbml>
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MathML



SimpleSBML - COPASI 4.6 (Build 32) /home/.../2011-03-ModelsIndustry/SimpleSBML.cps

File Tools Help

Concentrations

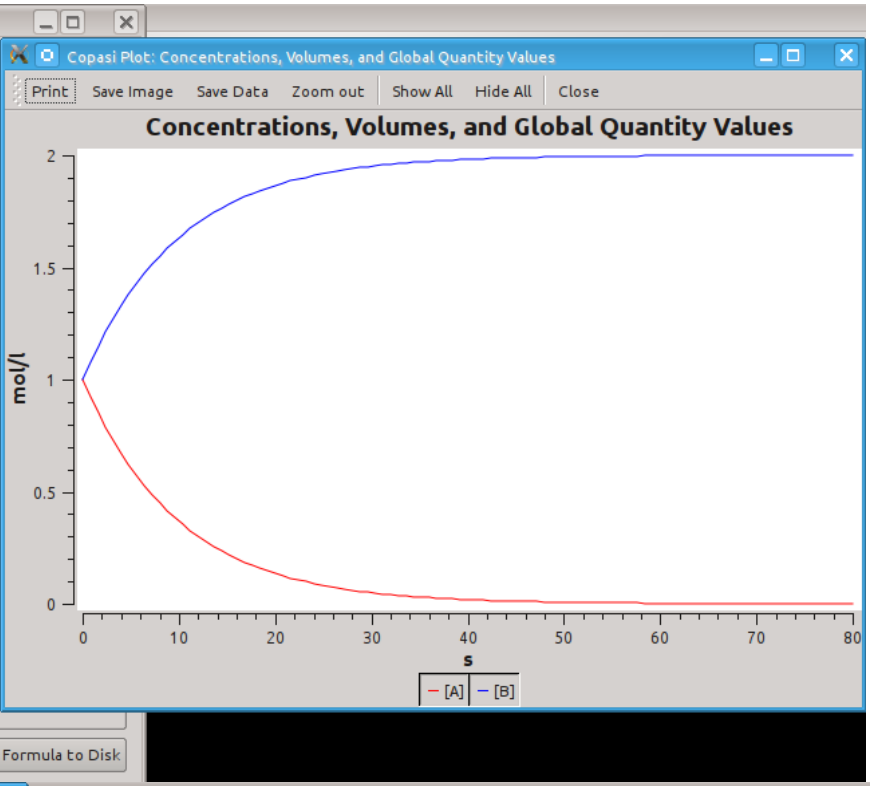
Copasi

- Model
 - Biochemical
 - Compartments
 - cell
 - Species
 - A
 - B
 - Reactions
 - r1
 - Global Quantities
 - Events
 - Parameter Overview
 - Mathematical
 - Differential Equations
 - Matrices
 - Diagrams
 - Tasks
 - Steady-State
 - Stoichiometric Analysis
 - Time Course
 - Metabolic Control Analysis
 - Lyapunov Exponents
 - Time Scale Separation Analysis
 - Parameter Scan
 - Optimization
 - Parameter Estimation
 - Sensitivities

COPASI

$$\frac{d([A] \cdot V_{cell})}{dt} = -V_{cell} \cdot (k_1 \cdot [A])$$
$$\frac{d([B] \cdot V_{cell})}{dt} = +V_{cell} \cdot (k_1 \cdot [A])$$

local parameters display numerical value Save Formula to Disk



CellDesigner

File Edit Component View Database Layout Simulation Plugin Window SBW Preference Help

CellDesigner.org

Model

- Compartments
- Species
- Reactions

Layer base

SimpleSBML.xml *

Species Proteins Genes RNAs asRNAs Reactions Compartments Par

Edit Export

class	id	name	speciesType	compar...	positi...	included
PROTEIN	A	A		cell	inside	
PROTEIN	B	B		cell	inside	

ControlPanel SimpleSBML.xml

File Edit Data Simulation

Time span: End Time 80, Num. o... 100

Error tolerance: Exp. -6

Solver: ☒ SOSlib, ☐ COPASI

Species Parameters Change amount Parameter Scan

Id	Name	Compart...	Quantity ...	Initial
A	A	cell	Concentra...	
B	B	cell	Concentra...	

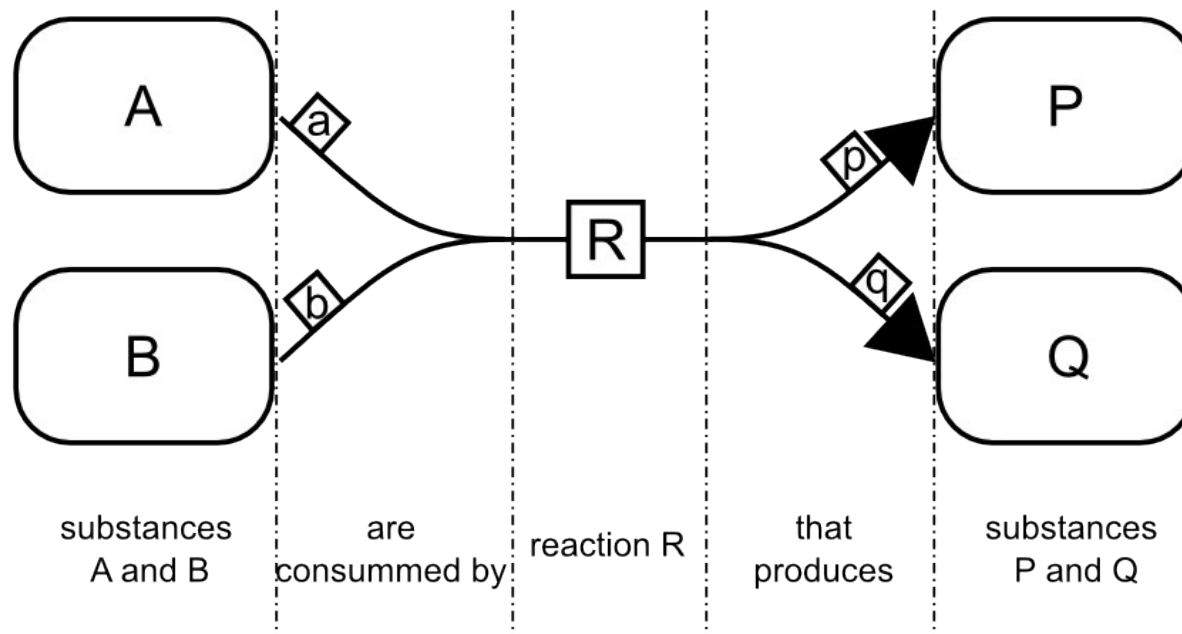
Graph Table

Concentration raw ☒ Species ☐ Fluxes ☐ Parameters ☐ Comp...

Time

80.00

Initialize Save As Execute Close show scatter plot



Species

Species
Reference

Kinetic
Law

Species
Reference

Species

A more realistic example ...

```

<species.
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  name="a-tubulin"
  compartment="cell"
  initialAmount="1000"
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  charge="0"
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  sboTerm="SBO:0000245" >
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    <p>One of the components of a microtubule</p>
  </body>
</notes>
<annotation>
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biological semantics: macromolecule

XHTML

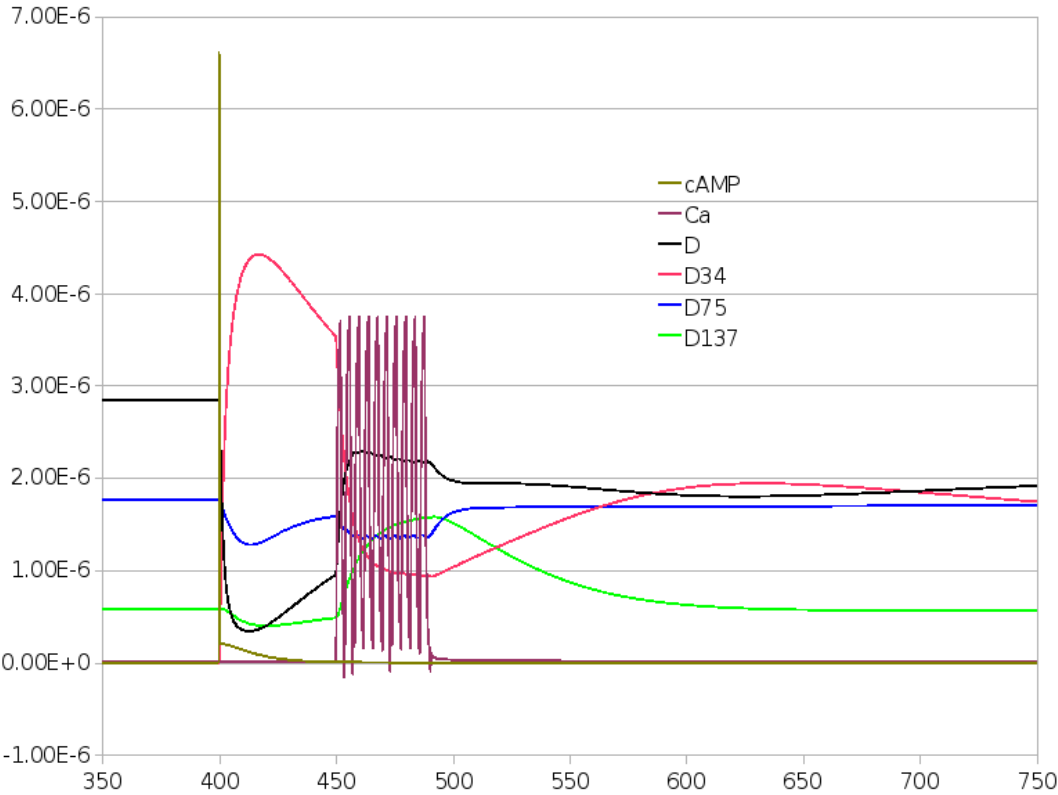
RDF

SBML is not limited to biochemistry!

- A **species** is a pool of entities participating to a reaction, **not always** a **chemical** entity
 - It can be a pool of molecules
 - It can be a pool of cells
 - It can be a pool of organs
 - It can be a population of organi
- **Rate Rules** can describe the temporal evolution of any quantitative parameter, e.g. transmembrane voltage, tumour size etc.
- **Events** can describe any discontinuous change, e.g. neurotransmitter release, repolarisation, cell division etc.

→ SBML is about process descriptions

Biochemical models



reaction:

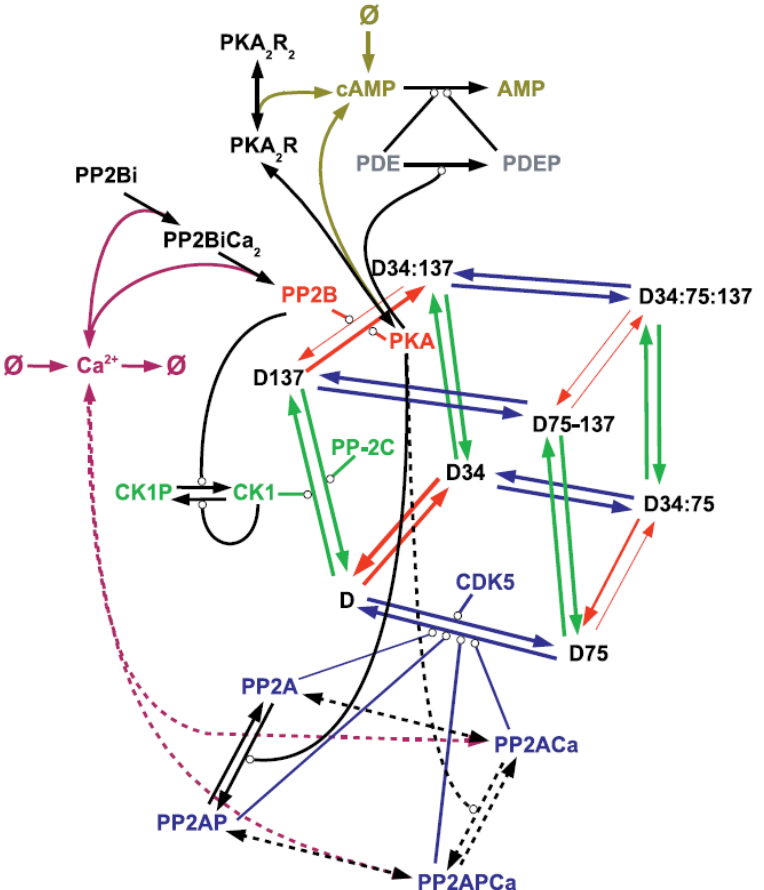
$$v_{on1} = k_{on1} \times [D] \times [CDK5] \times Vol$$

→ Vijayalakshmi Chelliah, Friday 11:30am

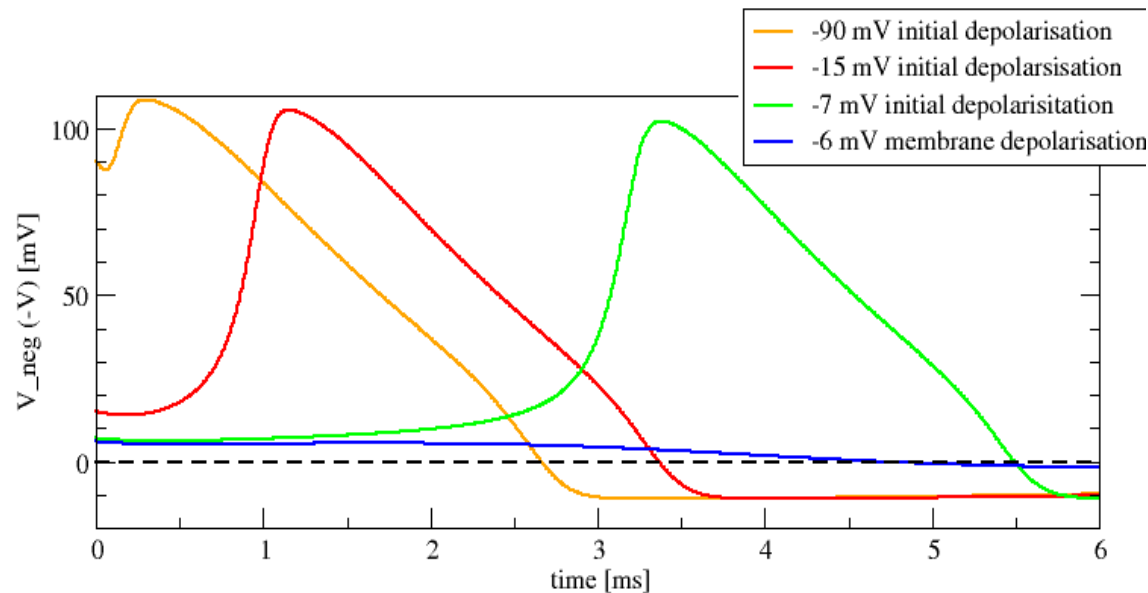
Fernandez et al. DARPP-32 is a robust integrator of dopamine and glutamate signals
PLoS Comput Biol (2006) 2: e176.



BIOMD0000000153



Conductance-based model



Hodgkin AL, Huxley AF.
A quantitative description of
membrane current and its
application to conduction
and excitation in nerve.
J Physiol (1952) 117:500-544.



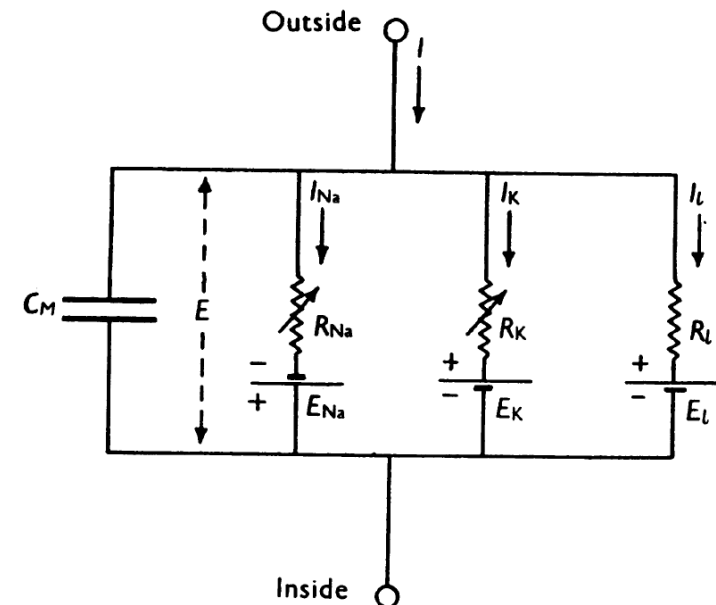
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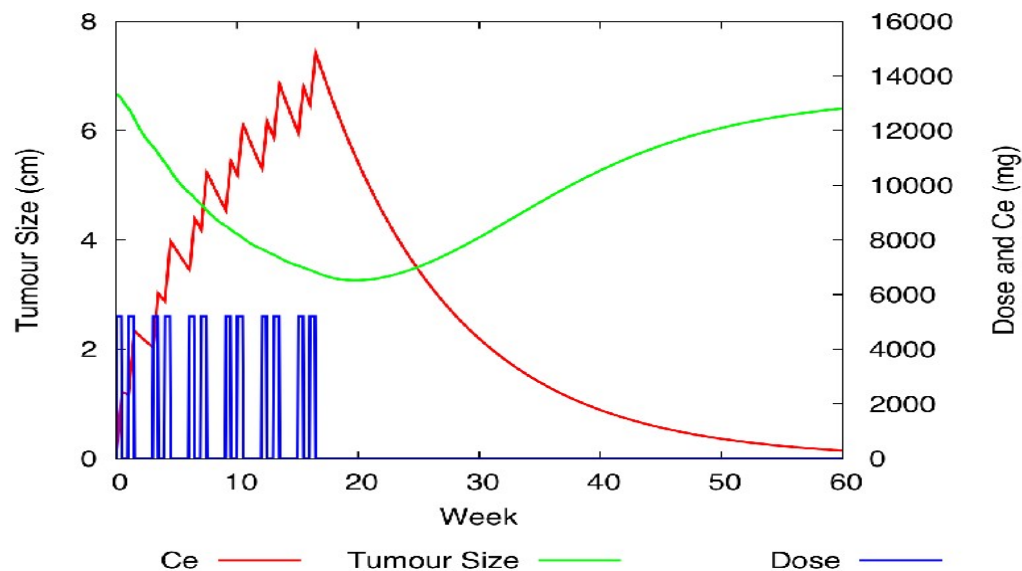
rate rule:

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{I - (i_{Na} + i_K + i_L)}{C_m}$$

assignment rule:

$$i_{Na} = g_{Na} \times m^3 \times h \times (V - E_{Na})$$





Tham et al (2008) A pharmacodynamic model for the time course of tumor shrinkage by gemcitabine + carboplatin in non-small cell lung cancer patients. *Clin Cancer Res.* 2008 14(13): 4213-8.



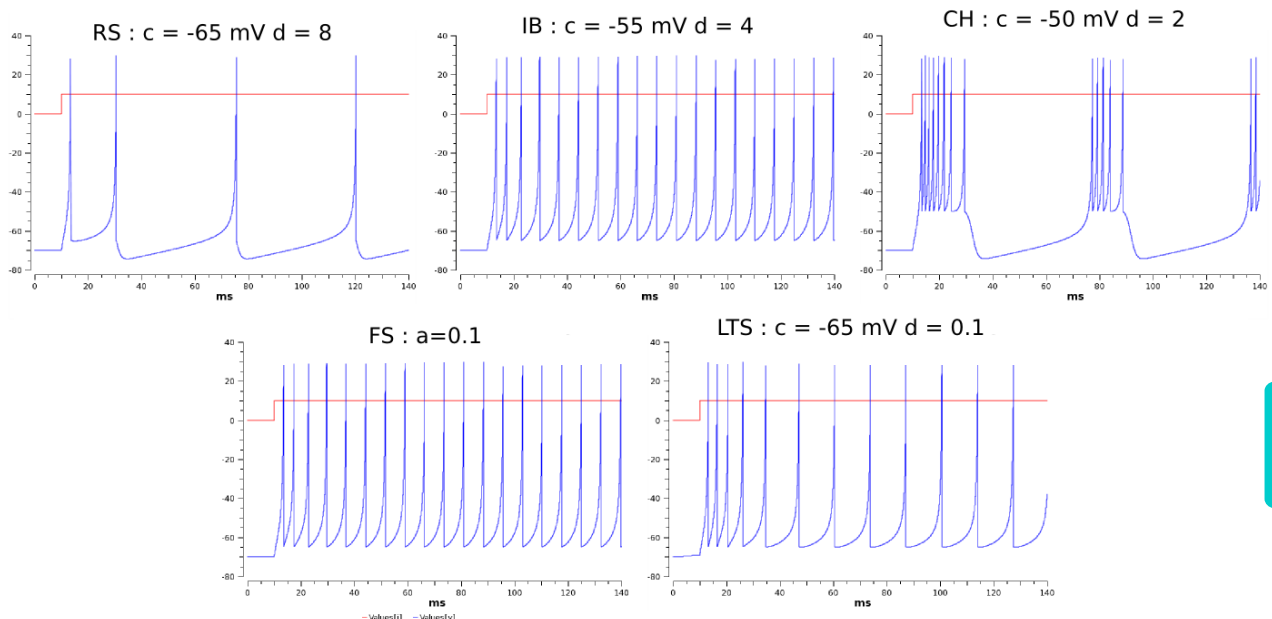
rate rule:

$$\frac{dSize}{dt} = (Rate_{in} \times Effect - K_{over} \times Size) \times Size$$

assignment rule:

$$Effect = 1 - \frac{E_{max} \times Ce}{Amt_{50} + Ce}$$

Single-compartment neurons



Izhikevich EM. Simple model of spiking neurons. *IEEE Trans Neural Netw* (2003) 14(6):1569-1572.



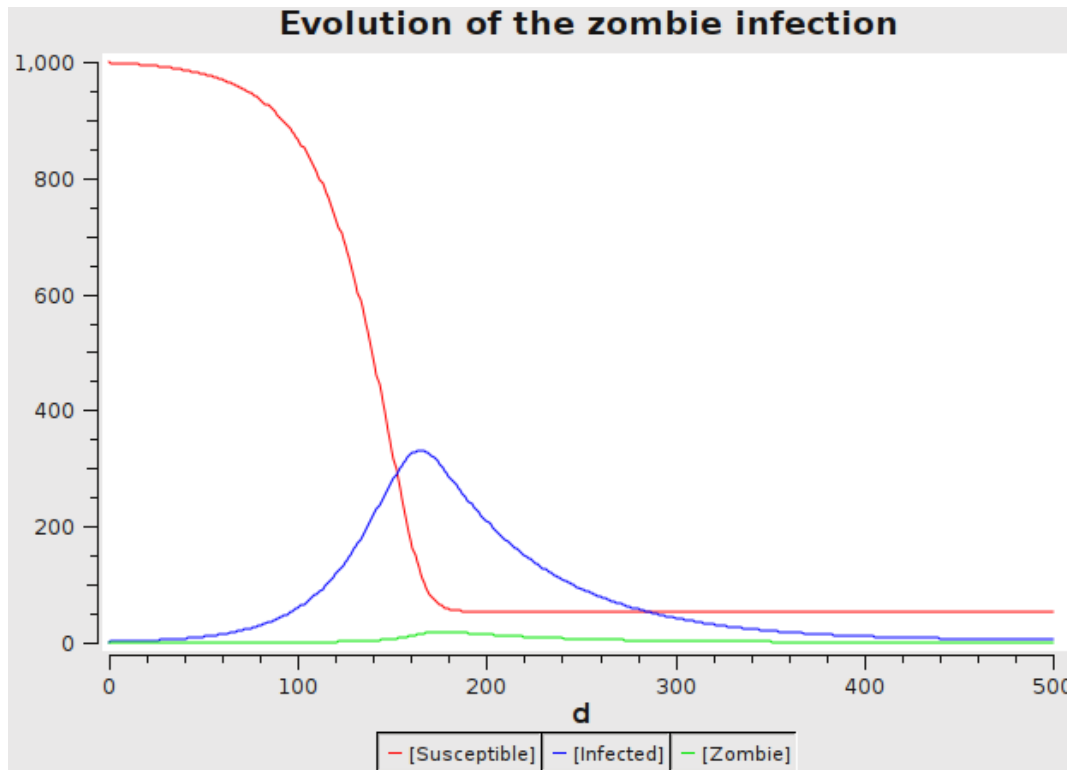
rate rule:

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = 0.04v^2 + 5 \times V + 140 - U + i$$

event:

$$\text{when } v > V_{thresh} \begin{cases} v = c \\ U = U + d \end{cases}$$

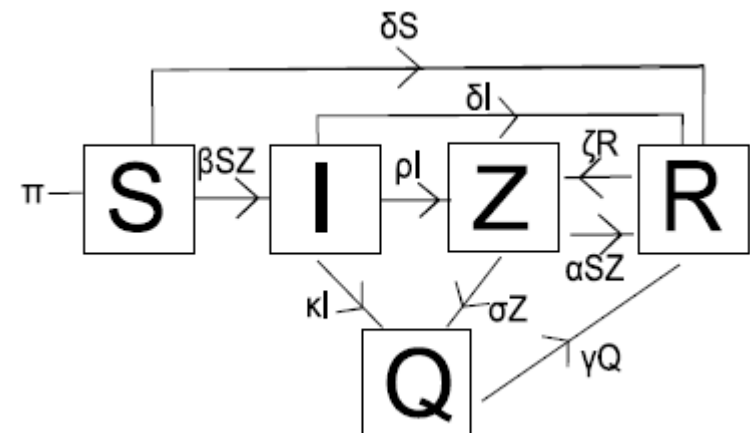
Spread of infection diseases ...



Munz P et al. When zombies attack!: Mathematical modelling of an outbreak of zombie infection. in "Infectious Disease Modelling Research Progress", (2009)133-150



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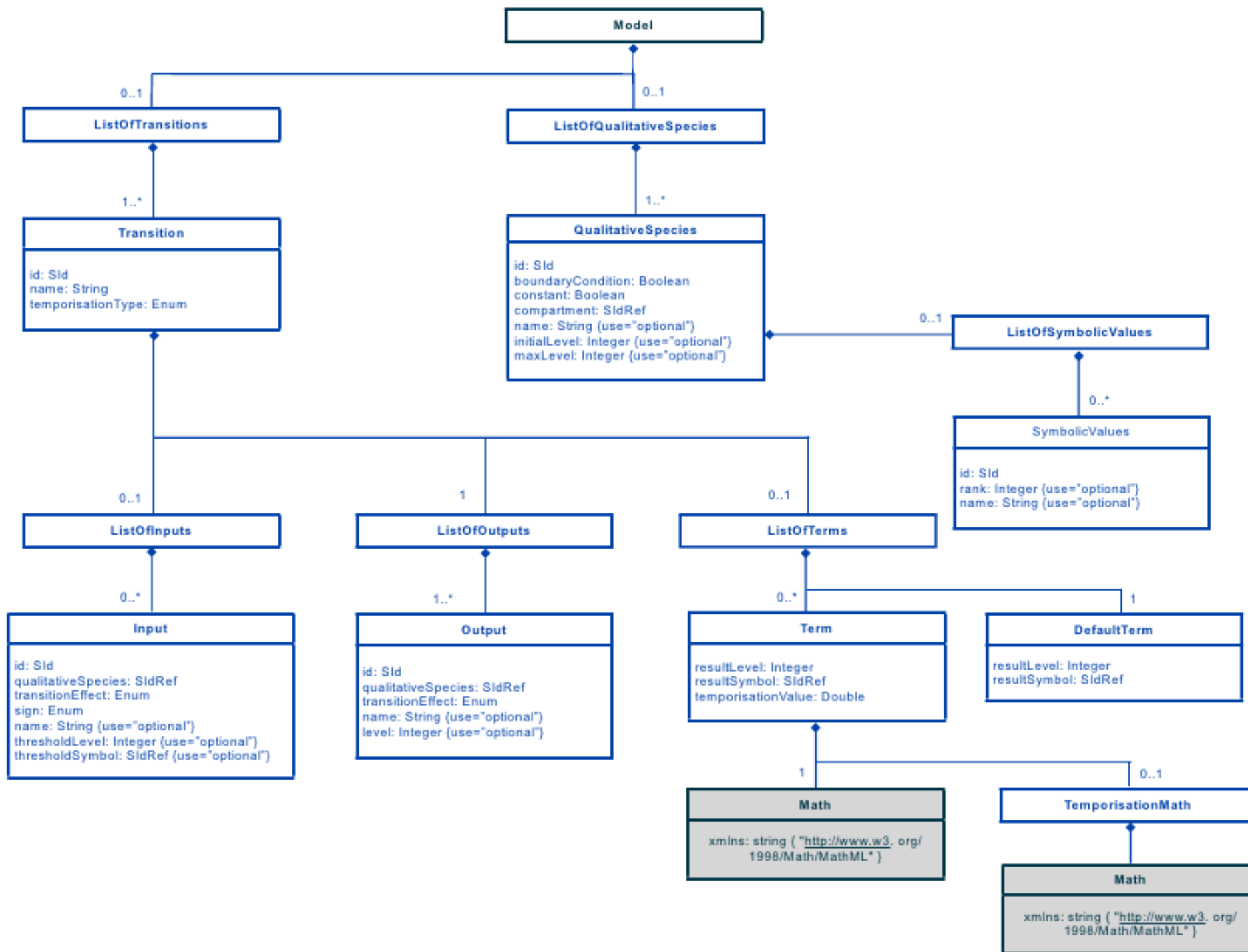


SBML Level 3 packages

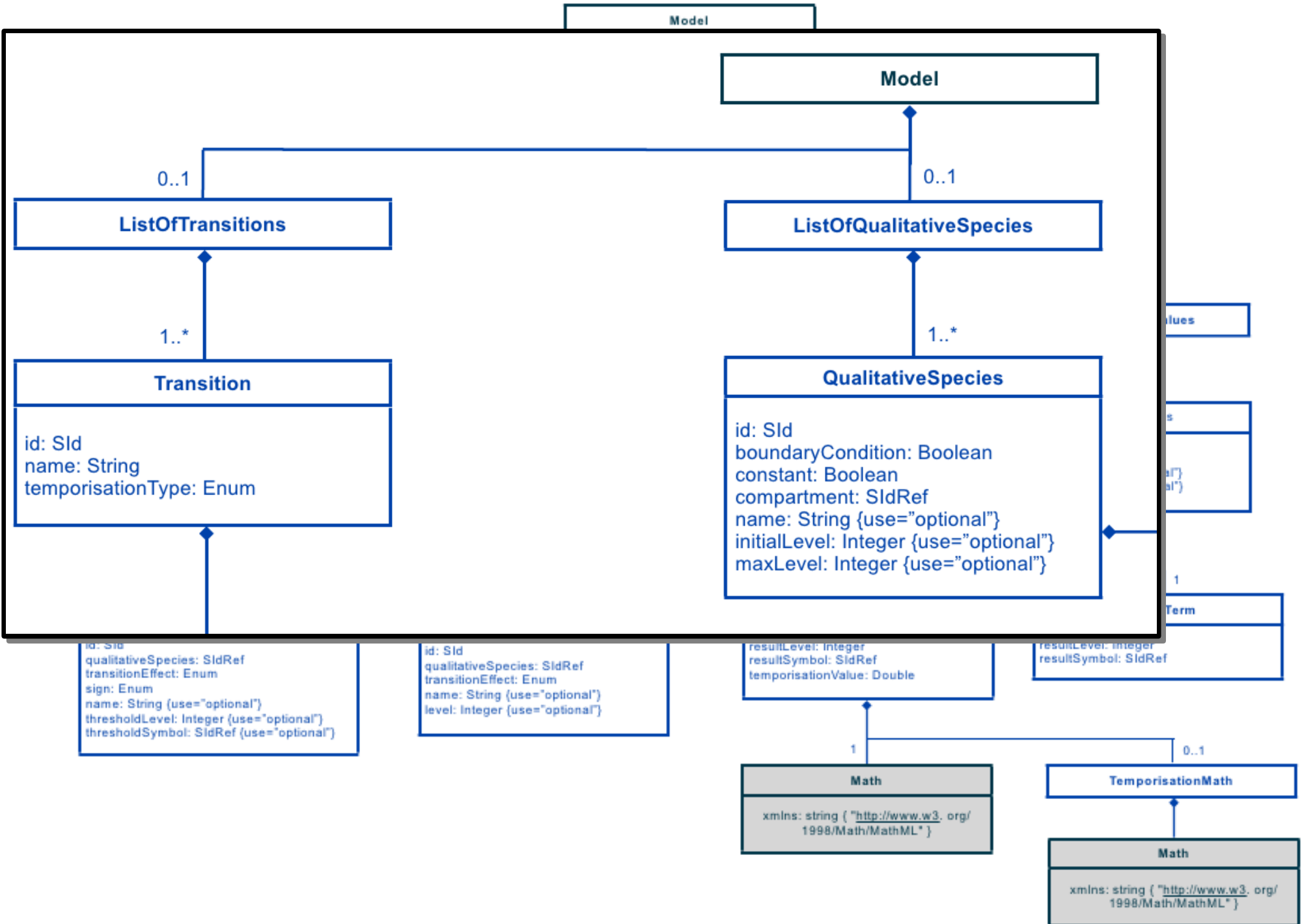
- Core package – public specification
- Graph Layout – specification finalised
- Complex species – specification finalised
- Groups - specification finalised
- Model composition – specification finalised
- Qualitative models – specification finalised
- Flux balance constraint – specification finalised
- Distributions and ranges - specification under discussion
- Spatial diffusion – specification under discussion
- Enhanced metadata – specification under discussion
- Graph rendering – specification proposed
- Arrays and sets – specification proposed
- Dynamic structures - needed

???

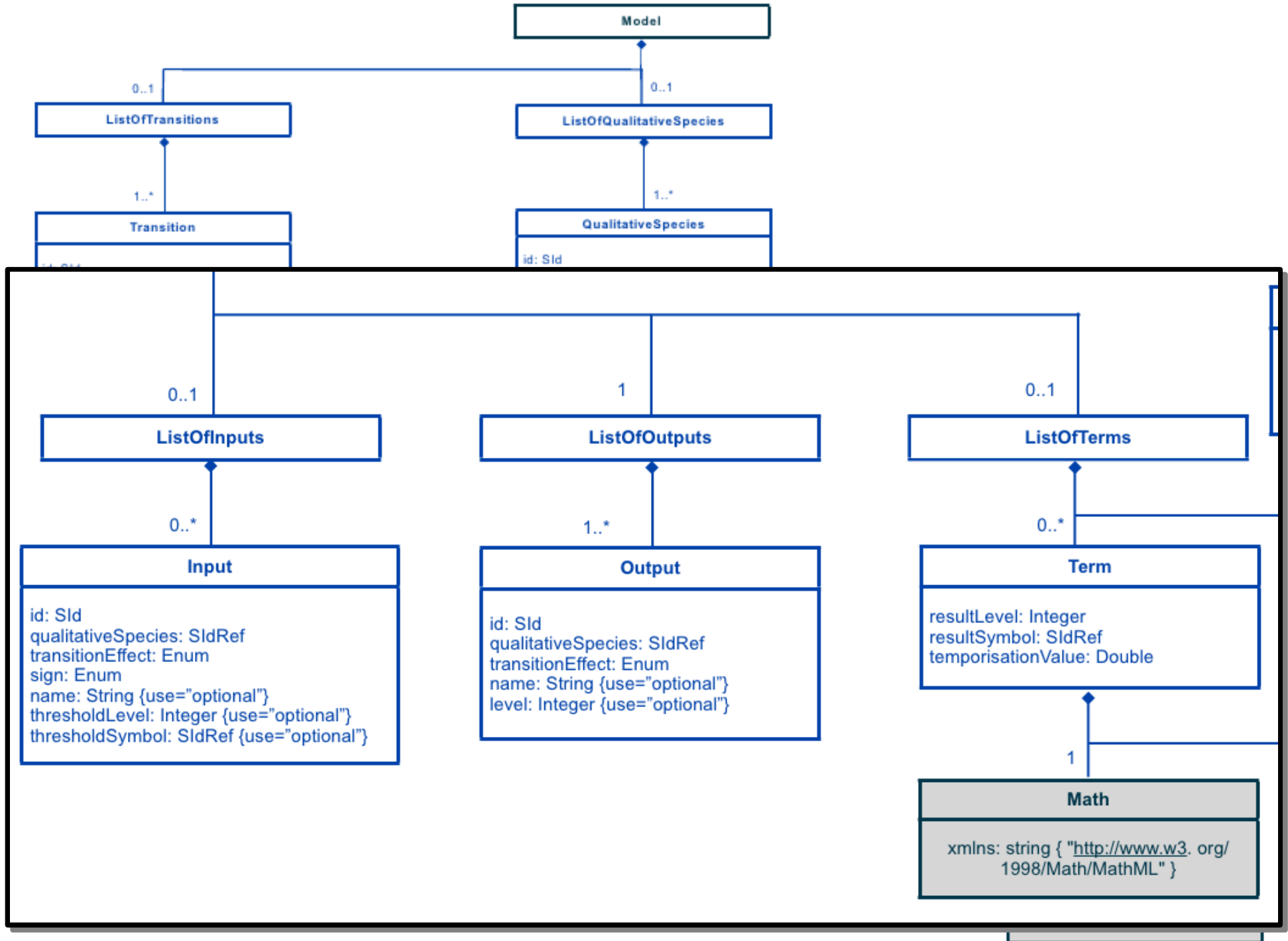
The *qual* package



The *qual* package



The *qual* package



SBML definition and API

- SBML syntax and semantics are very precisely defined
 - SBML specification document: Level 3 Version 1 = 167 pages, small margins
 - XML schema (L1 and L2) and Schematron (forthcoming for L3)
 - Hundreds of validation rules to check compliance
- A standard Application Programming Interface with two implementations
 - LibSBML in C and C++, with binding to C#, Java, Python, Perl, MatLab, Octave, Ruby
 - JSBML, native Java version
- Test suite of 5514 models either testing a feature or a documented error

→ Sarah Keating, Nicolas Rodriguez, Friday 9am

SBML Software Guide

The following pages describe SBML-compatible software packages known to us. We offer different ways of viewing the information, all drawn from the same underlying data collected from the systems' developers via our [software survey](#). The *Matrix* provides a table listing all known software and a variety of their features; the *Summary* provides general descriptions of most of the software; and the *Showcase* provides a sequential slideshow of a subset of the software.

Number of software packages listed in the matrix today: **232**.

Go to the SBML
Software Matrix



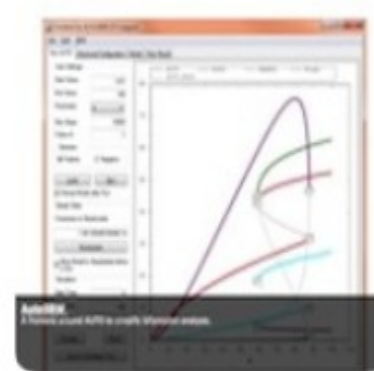
The screenshot shows the SBML Software Matrix, a table listing various software packages and their features. The table has columns for software name, version, license, and various features like SBML support, simulation, etc. The first few rows are visible, showing software like 'COPASI', 'CellDesigner', and 'HillLab'.

Go to the SBML
Software Summary



The screenshot shows the SBML Software Summary page, which provides a detailed overview of the software packages. It includes sections for 'Simulation Software' and 'Simulation Software (continued)', listing various packages and their capabilities.

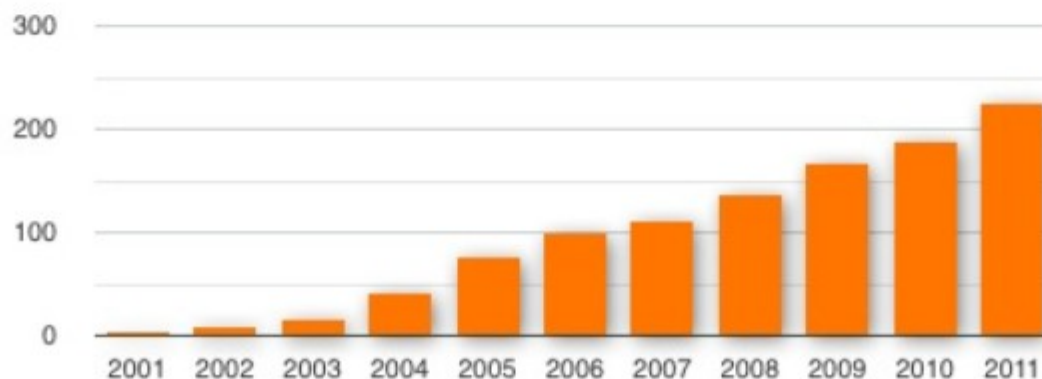
Go to the SBML
Software Showcase



Please [use the survey form](#) to notify us about additions and suggestions.

Historical trend

The following graph shows the total number of known SBML-compatible software packages each year, as counted by the SBML Team. The counts shown are for approximately the middle of each year.



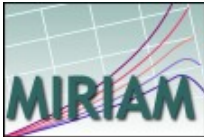
SBML supporting tools

- Simulators
 - Discrete stochastic (25)
 - Continuous deterministic (42)
 - Spatial (4)
- Modelling and simulation environments (29)
 - Based on Mathematica (3)
 - Based on Matlab (12)
 - Based on Python/SciPy (9)
 - Based on R (3)
- Flux/metabolic analysis (16)
- Integrated framework (3)
- Libraries (3)
- Model Management, Data Integration, and Analysis (12)
- Model development tools (18)
- Model visualisation (7)
- Model Repositories, Test Suites, and Databases (16)
- Converters (7)
- Analysis and utility (12)

Adding the semantics to the syntax

	Model descriptions
Minimal requirements	 The MIRIAM logo features the word "MIRIAM" in a bold, green, sans-serif font. It is set against a light blue background with a grid pattern and several colorful, curved lines in shades of red, orange, and purple.
Data-models	 The S8ML logo consists of the letters "S8ML" in a blue, sans-serif font. The "8" is stylized with two circular shapes. A small "TM" trademark symbol is located to the upper right of the "L". The logo is on a light blue background with a grid and curved lines.
Terminologies	 The S8O logo features the letters "S8O" in a green, sans-serif font. The "8" is stylized with two circular shapes. It is set against a light blue background with a grid pattern and several colorful, curved lines in shades of red, orange, and purple.

Born in Heidelberg 2004

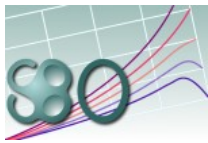


SBML and MIRIAM cross-references

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<http://biomodels.net/miriam/>

→ Nick Juty, Friday 12am



Systems Biology Ontology

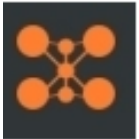
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SBO:0000000 - systems biology representation

SBO:0000064 - mathematical expression

- SBO:0000355 - conservation law
- SBO:0000474 - convenience function
- SBO:0000001 - rate law
- SBO:0000391 - steady state expression

SBO:0000544 - metadata representation

SBO:0000004 - modelling framework

SBO:0000231 - occurring entity representation

SBO:0000003 - participant role

SBO:0000236 - physical entity representation

SBO:0000545 - systems description parameter

SBO:0000546 - qualitative systems description parameter

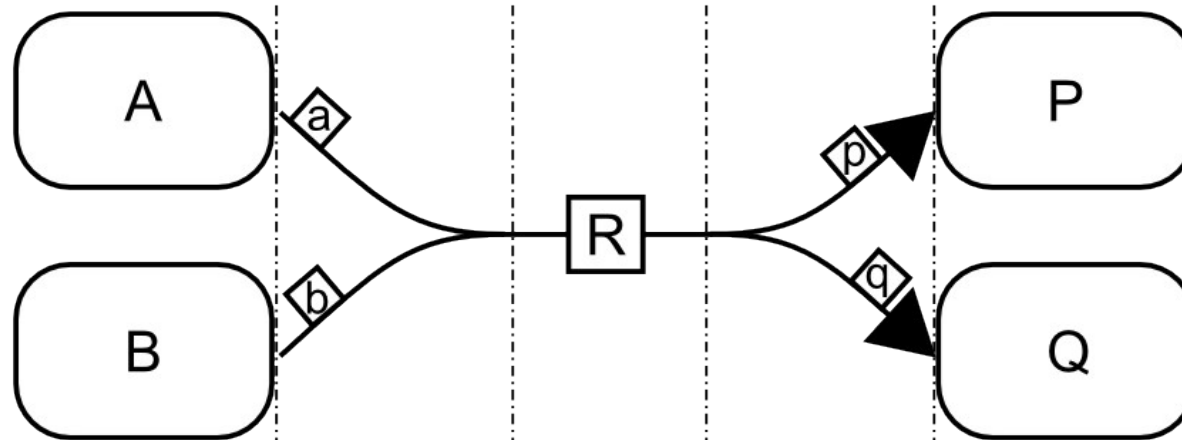
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- SBO:0000542 - basic reproductive ratio
- SBO:0000380 - biochemical coefficient
- SBO:0000258 - capacitance
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- SBO:0000254 - electrical resistance
- SBO:0000308 - equilibrium or steady-state characteristic

Essential activator

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<http://www.ebi.ac.uk/sbo/>



substances
A and B

are
consumed by

reaction R

that
produces

substances
P and Q



SBO:0000240
material entity

SBO:0000394
consumption

SBO:0000375
process

SBO:0000393
production

SBO:0000240
material entity



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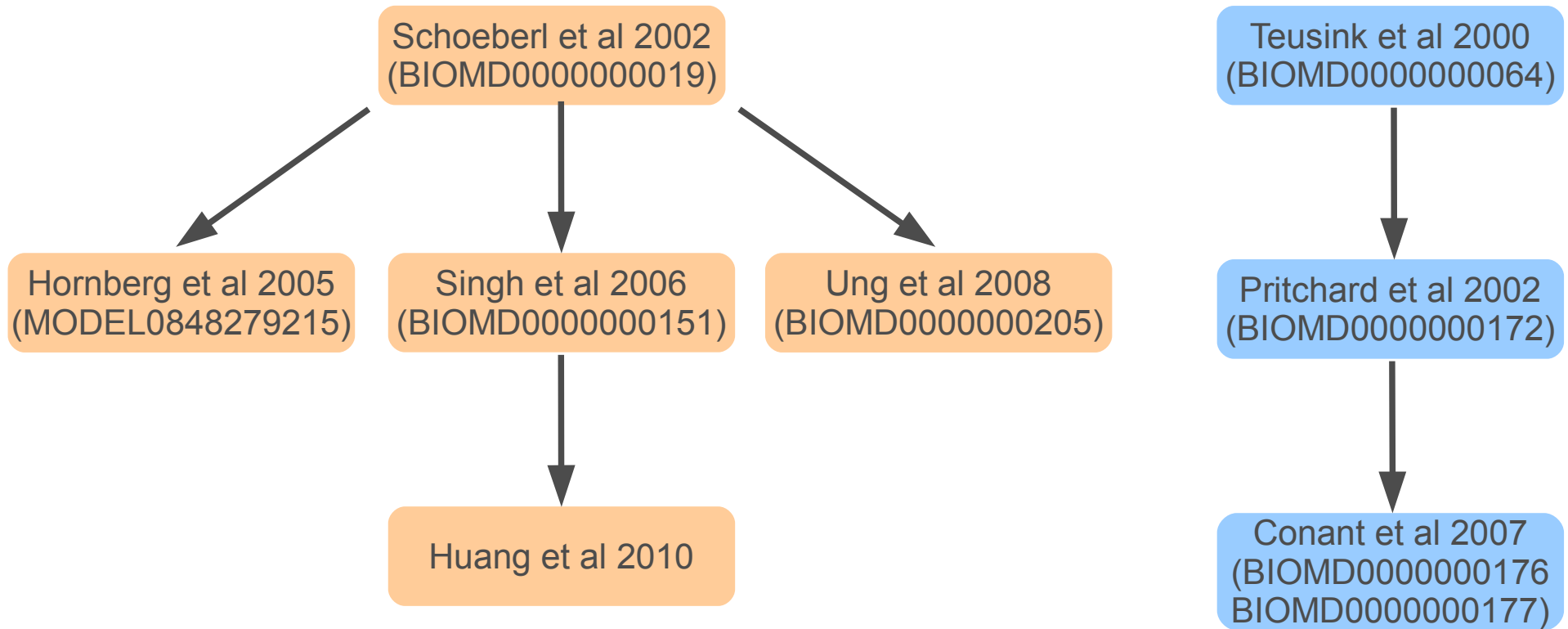
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Kinetic
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Species

Direct model re-use: e.g. EGFR signalling and glycolysis



Standard formats generate new research

- Herrgård et al (2008) A consensus yeast metabolic network reconstruction obtained from a community approach to systems biology. *Nature Biotechnol*, 26: 1155-1160



MODEL0072364382: 2152 species, 1857 reactions

- stoichiometric map, no concentrations, no kinetics
- Smallbone et al (2010) Towards a genome-scale kinetic model of cellular metabolism. *BMC Syst Biol*, 4:6



MODEL1001200000: 1748 species, 1059 reactions

- Concentrations and flux from BioModels Database
- Constraint-based model and simplified linlog kinetics
- Dobson et al (2010) Further developments towards a genome-scale metabolic model of yeast. *BMC Syst Biol*, 4:145



MODEL1012110000: 2657 species, 1865 reactions

- Li et al (2010) Systematic integration of experimental data and models in systems biology. *BMC Bioinfo*, 11: 582



MODEL1012110001

- Workflows using experimental kinetic information database (SABIO-RK) plus metabolomics and proteomics database
- Full quantitative chemical kinetics descriptions

Clustering models (and data) based on metadata

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ATP:protein_phosphotransferase_(non-specific)
 RAF_proto-oncogene_serine/threonine-protein_kinase
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 protein_amino_acid_dephosphorylation
 protein_amino_acid_phosphorylation
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Ranking and retrieval of models

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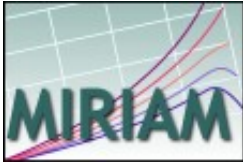
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MAPK

Other kinase cascades

The interface with all biologists

	Model descriptions
Minimal requirements	
Data-models	  BioPAX
Terminologies	

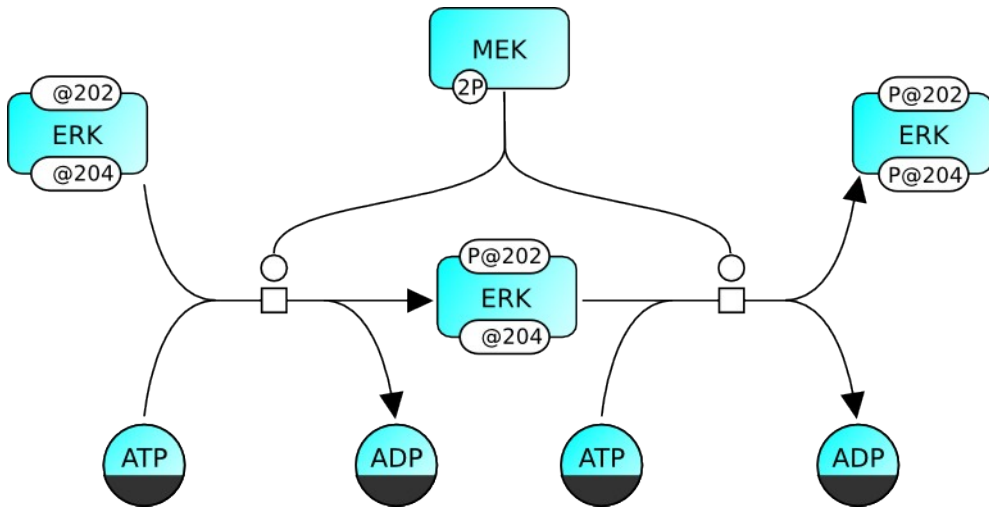
Born in Tokyo 2005

What is SBGN?

- An unambiguous way of graphically describing and interpreting biochemical and cellular events
- Limited amount of symbols
Re-use existing symbols
-  Smooth learning curve
- Can represent logical or mechanistic models, biochemical pathways, at different levels of granularity
- Detailed technical specification, precise data-models and growing software support
- Developed over four years by a diverse community, including biologists, modellers, computer scientists etc.

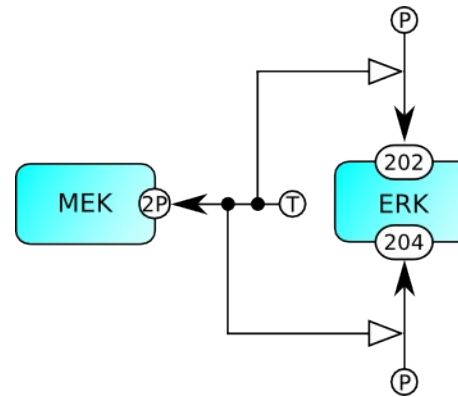
Graph trinity: three languages in one notation

Process Descriptions



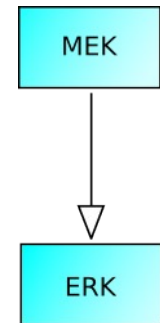
- Unambiguous
- Mechanistic
- Sequential
- Combinatorial explosion

Entity Relationships



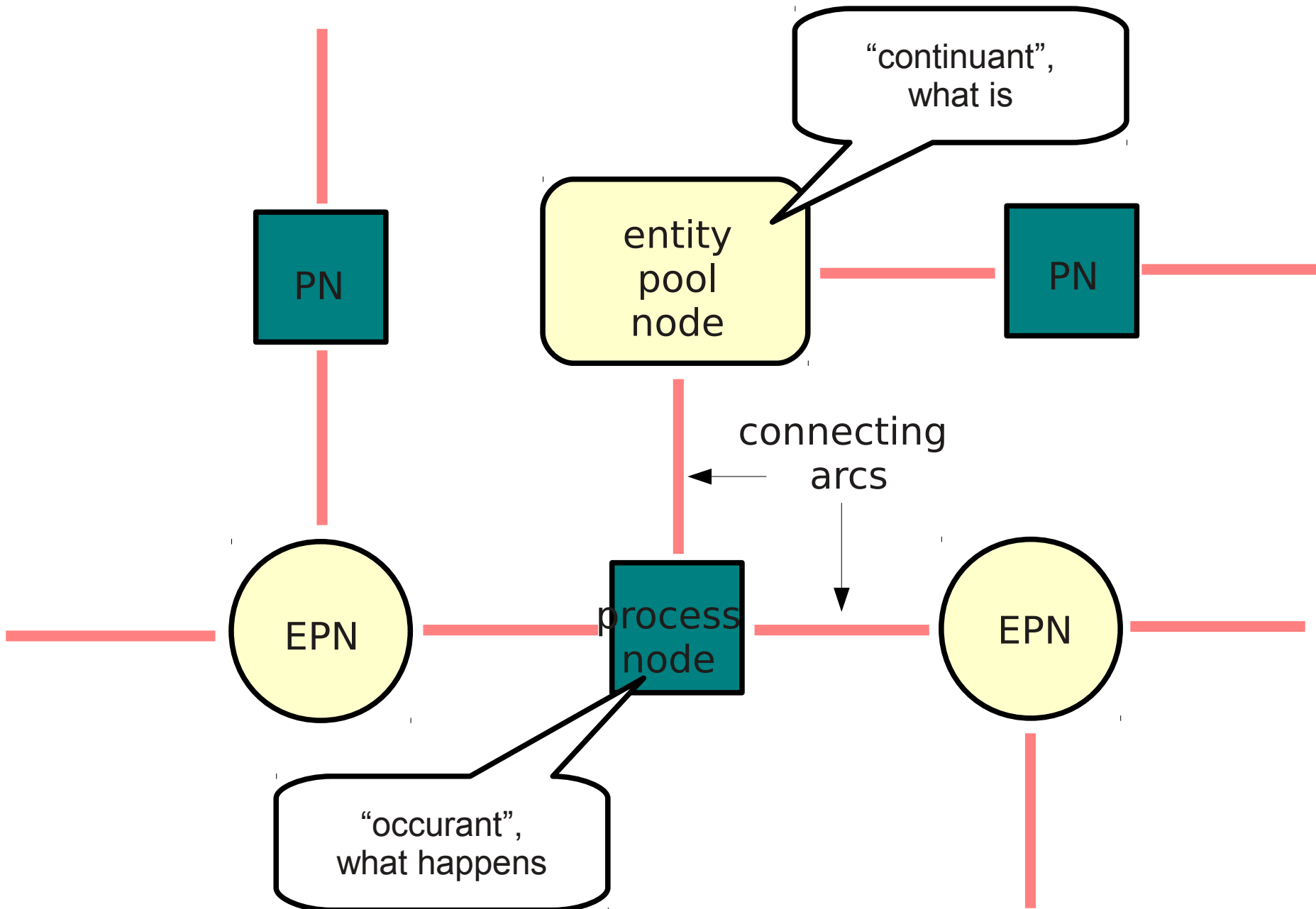
- Unambiguous
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- Non-sequential
- Independence of relationships

Activity Flows

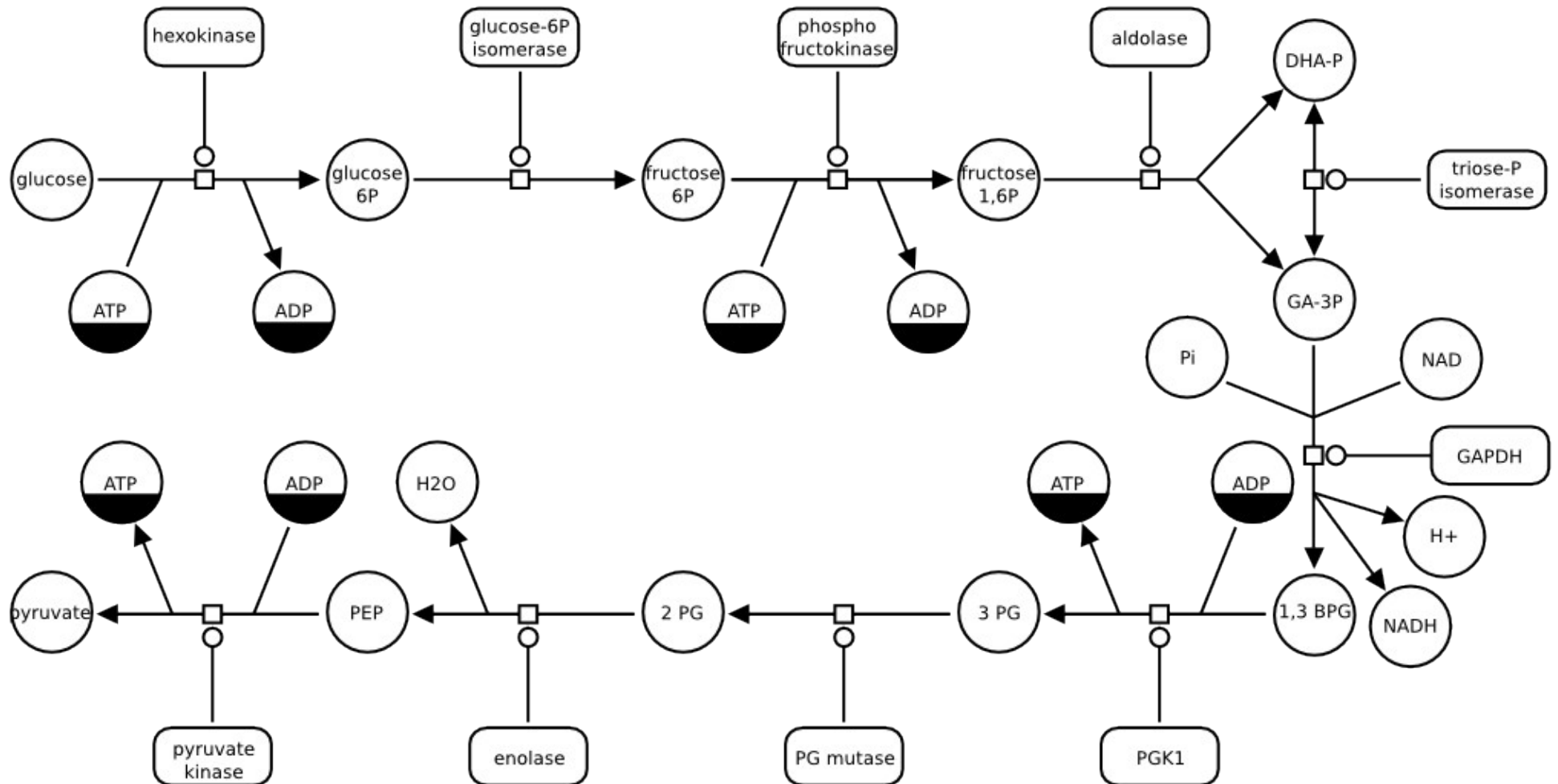


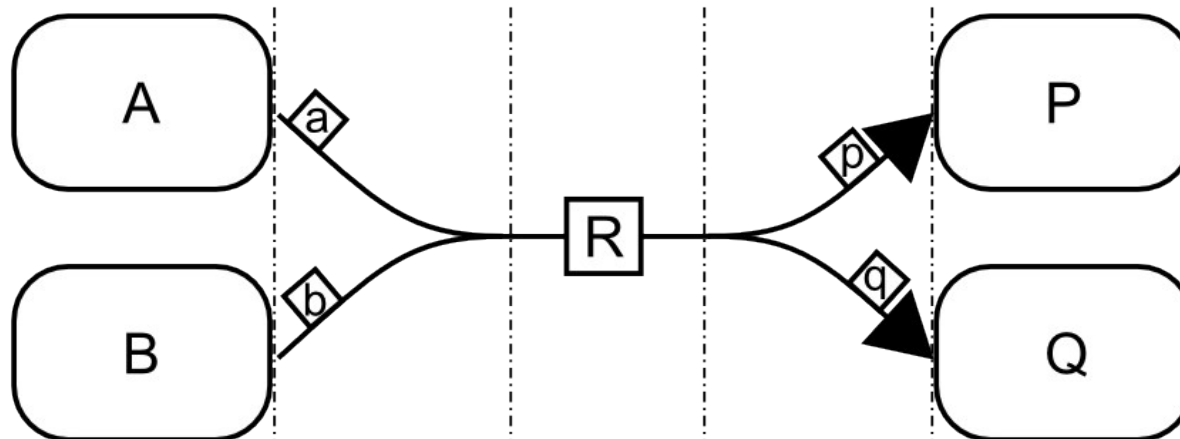
- Ambiguous
- Conceptual
- Sequential

Process Descriptions are bipartite graphs



Metabolic network in Process Description Language





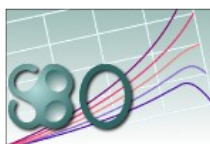
substances
A and B

are
consumed by

reaction R

that
produces

substances
P and Q



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material entity

SBO:0000394
consumption

SBO:0000375
process

SBO:0000393
production

SBO:0000240
material entity



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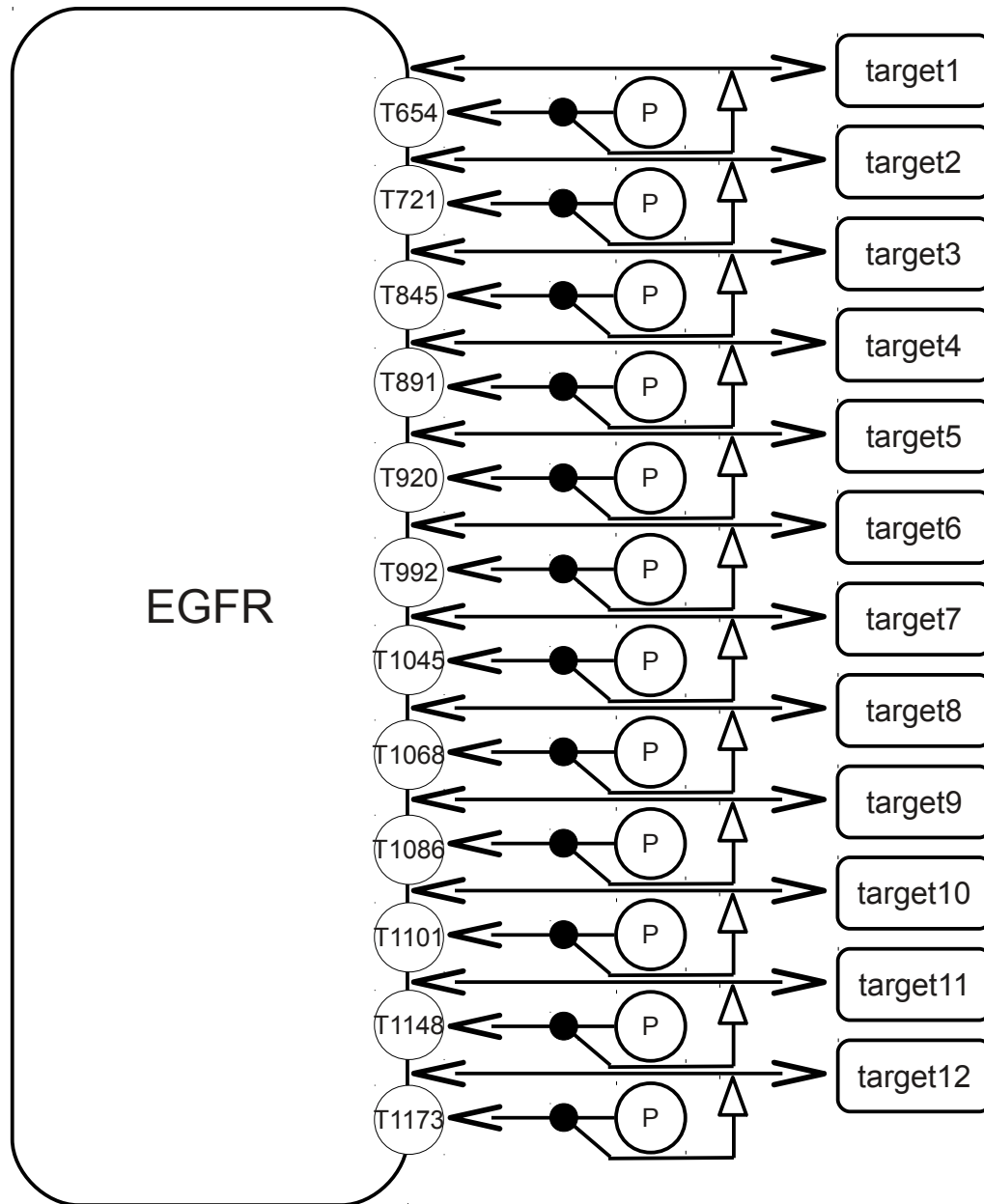
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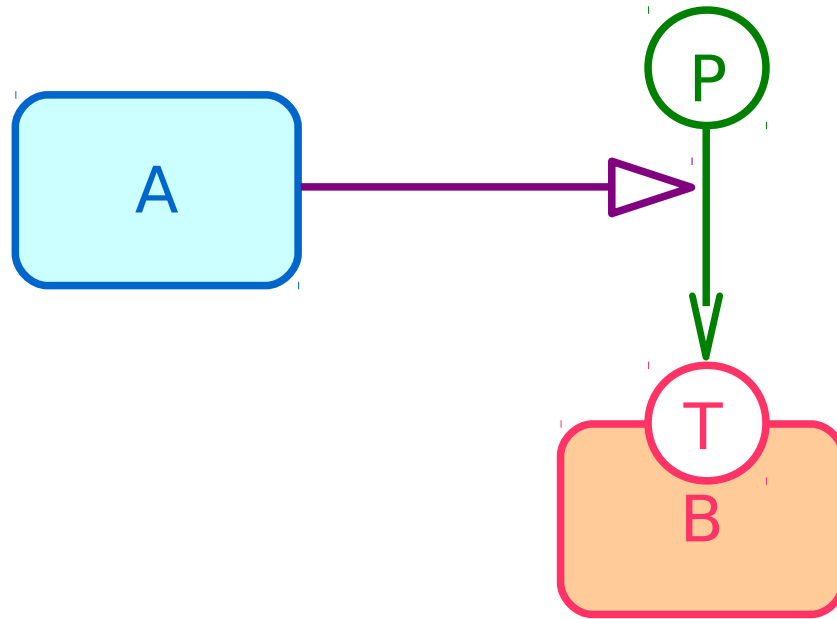
Multi-state and combinatorial explosion



Process Descriptions:
“once a state variable value,
always a state variable value”

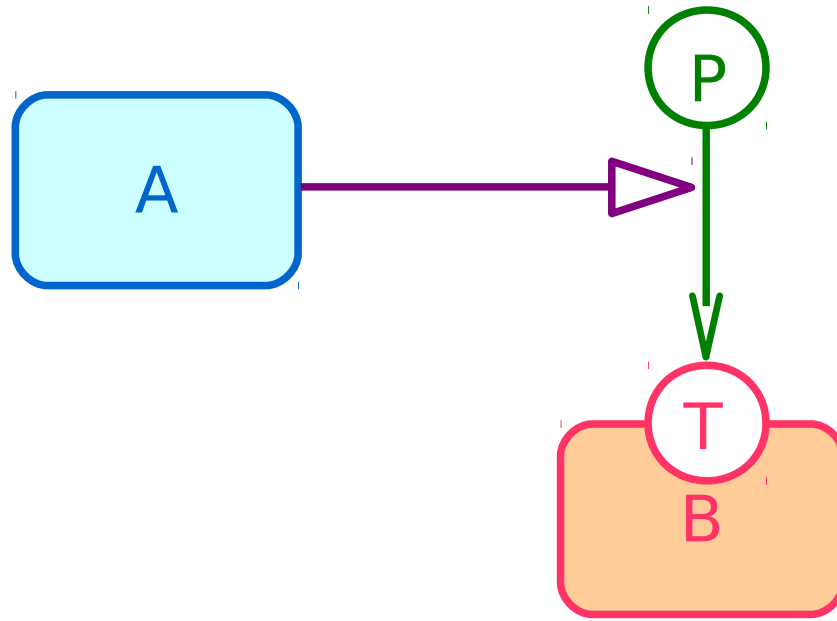
$2^{12} = 4096$ states
(i.e. EPN glyphs) for EGFR
and 4096 complexes between
EGFR and targets

Entity Relationships can be viewed as rules



If **A exists**, the **assignment of the value P** to the **state variable T of B** is **increased**

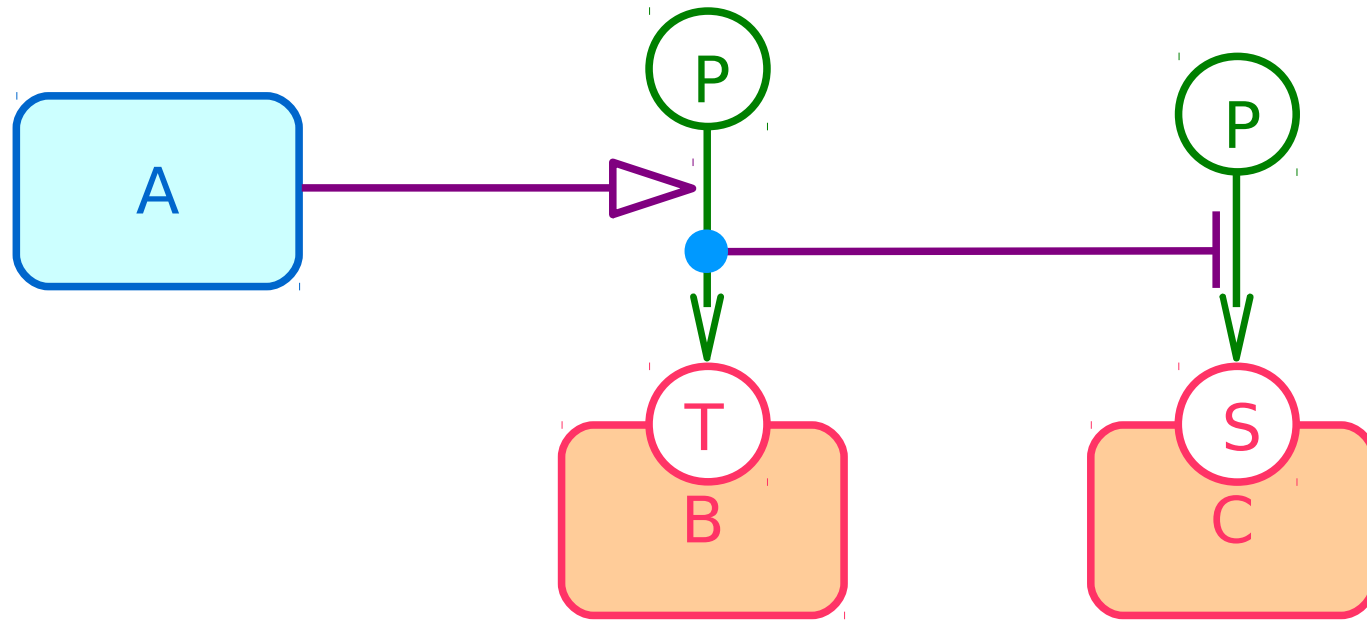
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(**A stimulates** the **phosphorylation** of **B on the threonine**)

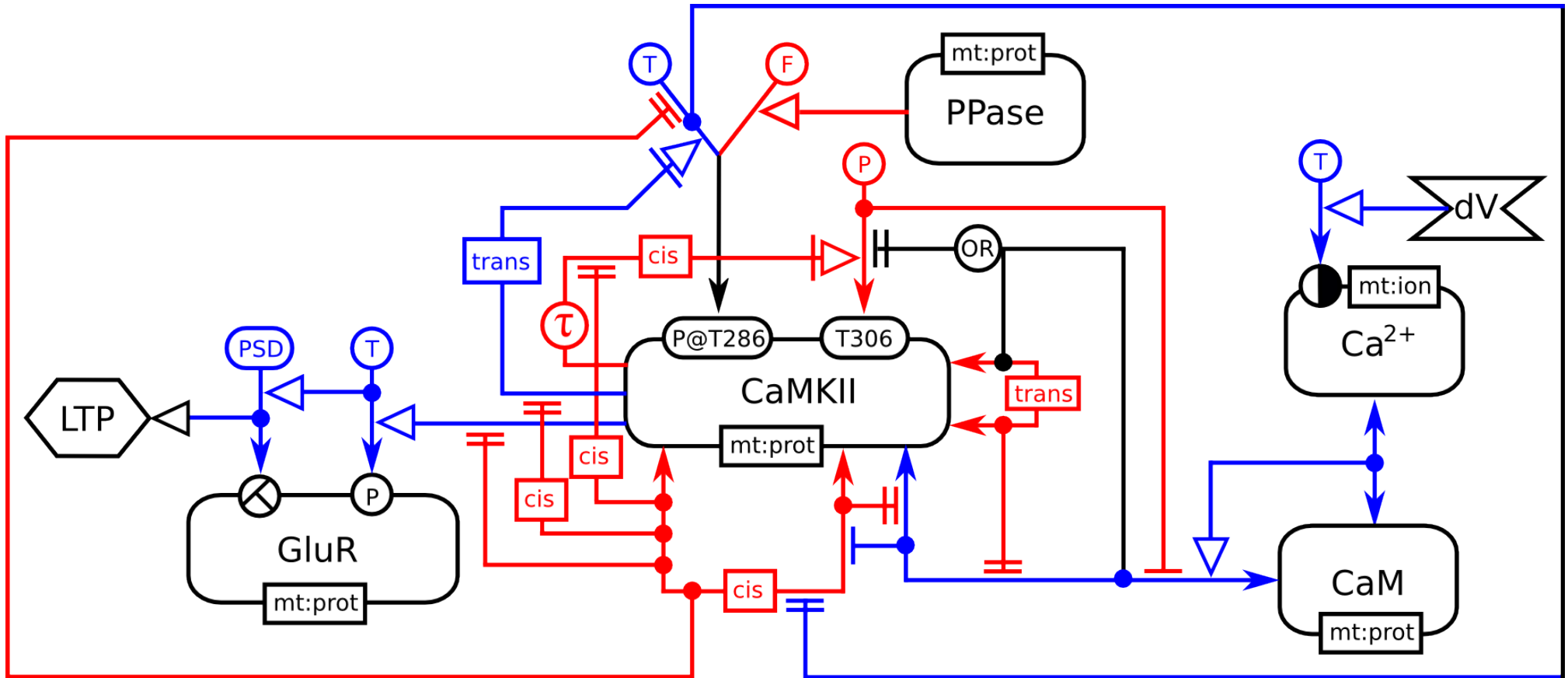
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If **A exists**, the **assignment of the value P** to the **state variable T of B** is **increased**

If **P** is assigned to the **state variable T of B**, the **assignment of the value P** to the **state variable S of B** is **decreased**

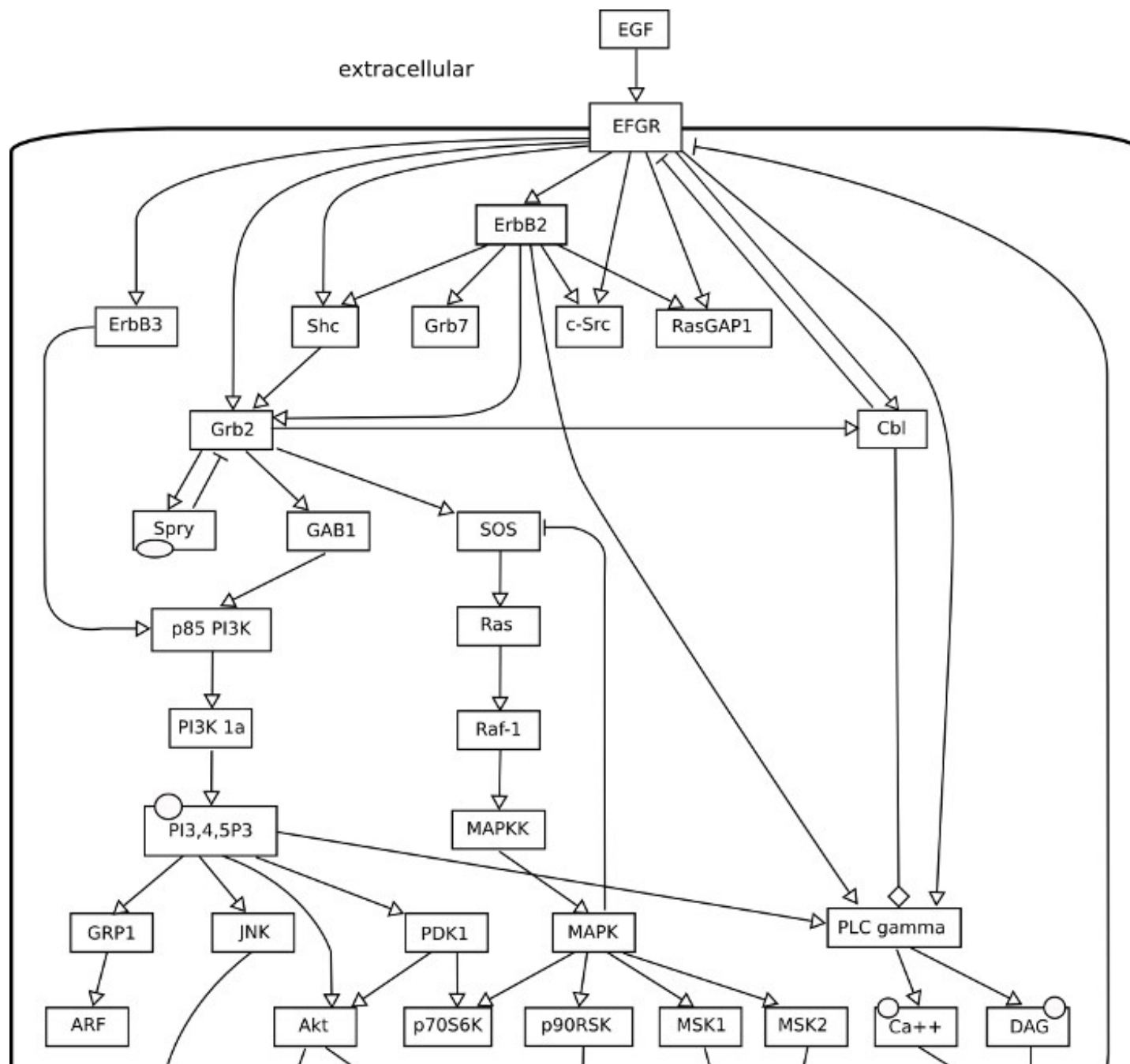
GN ER map of calcium-regulated synaptic plasticity



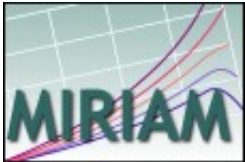
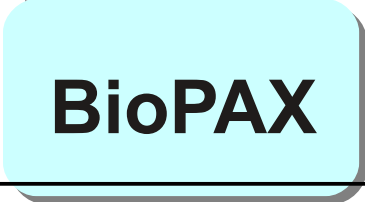
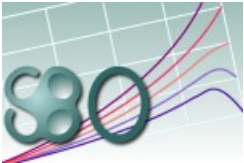
increases synaptic weight

decreases synaptic weight

Example of Activity Flow map



Merging biologist semantics for database

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Biological Pathway Exchange format - BioPAX

- **RDF/OWL**-based language to represent biological pathways at the molecular and cellular level
- Covers molecular and genetic interactions, metabolic network, signalling pathways, gene regulatory networks
- **Interactions**: Control (Catalysis, Modulation, TemplateReactionRegulation), Conversion (BiochemicalReaction, ComplexAssembly, Degradation, Transport, TransportWithBiochemicalReaction), GeneticInteraction, MolecularInteraction, TemplateReaction
- **Physical entities**: Complex, DNA, DNARegion, Protein, RNA, RNARegion, SmallMolecule
- **Utility classes**: BioSource, ChemicalStructure, ControlledVocabulary, DeltaG, EntityFeature, EntityReference, Evidence, ExperimentalForm, kPrime, PathwayStep, Provenance, Score, SequenceLocation, Stoichiometry, Xref

Resource Description Framework - RDF

- Language of the semantic web
- Semantic entirely embedded in the language (does not require external schemas and specifications)
- Series of statements

Subject

Predicate

Object

EGFR

located_in

plasma membrane

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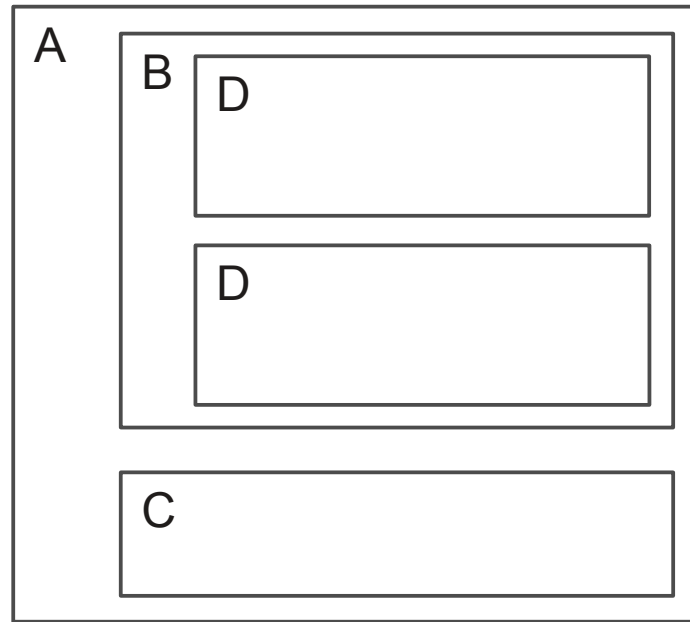
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(UniProt)

(OBO Relation ontology)

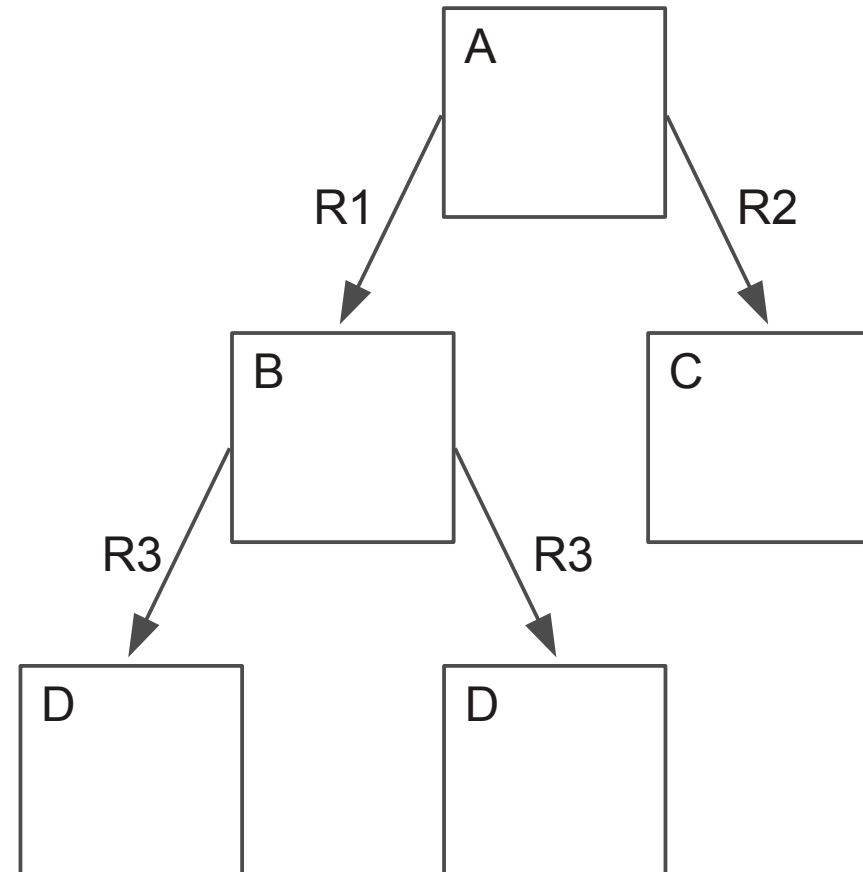
(Gene Ontology)

“XML”



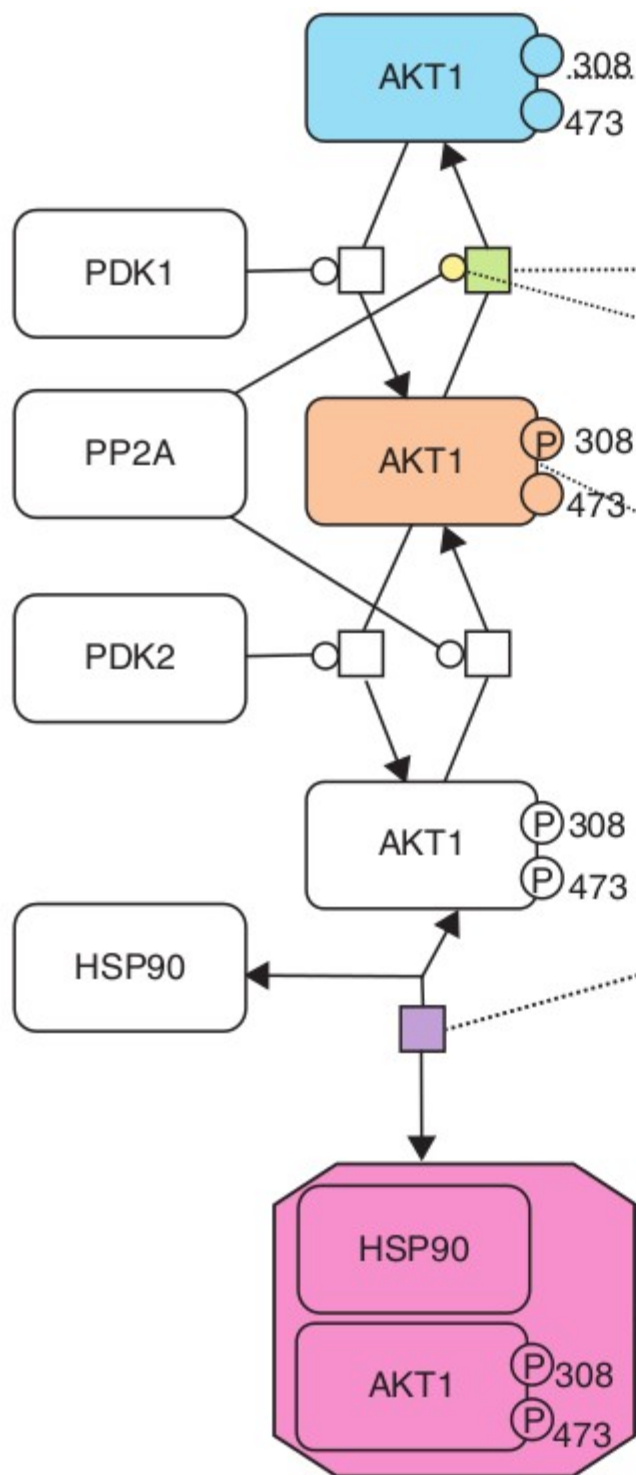
Vs

RDF



Web Ontology Language - OWL

- BioPAX contains classes, relations and properties, constraints, objects, values.
- Classes are arranged in a specialisation hierarchy. E.g. a “protein” is a “physical entity”
- Classes may have properties of specific types. The types are linked to other classes by relations. E.g. “reaction X” has *participant* “protein P”. An attribute is a property that has a simple type.
- Constraints define allowable values and connexions. E.g. “MOLECULAR_WT” must be a positive real number
- Objects are instances of classes.



AKT1.1 is a *Protein*
 has *proteinReference* rAKT1
 has *notFeature* p@308
 has *notFeature* p@473

reaction1 is a *BiochemicalReaction*
 has *left* AKT1.2
 has *right* AKT1.1
 is *left-to-right*.

catalysis1 is a *Catalysis*
 has *controller* PP2A.1
 has *controlled* reaction1
 has *direction* irr-left-to-right

AKT1.2 is a *Protein*
 has *proteinReference* rAKT1
 has *feature* p@308
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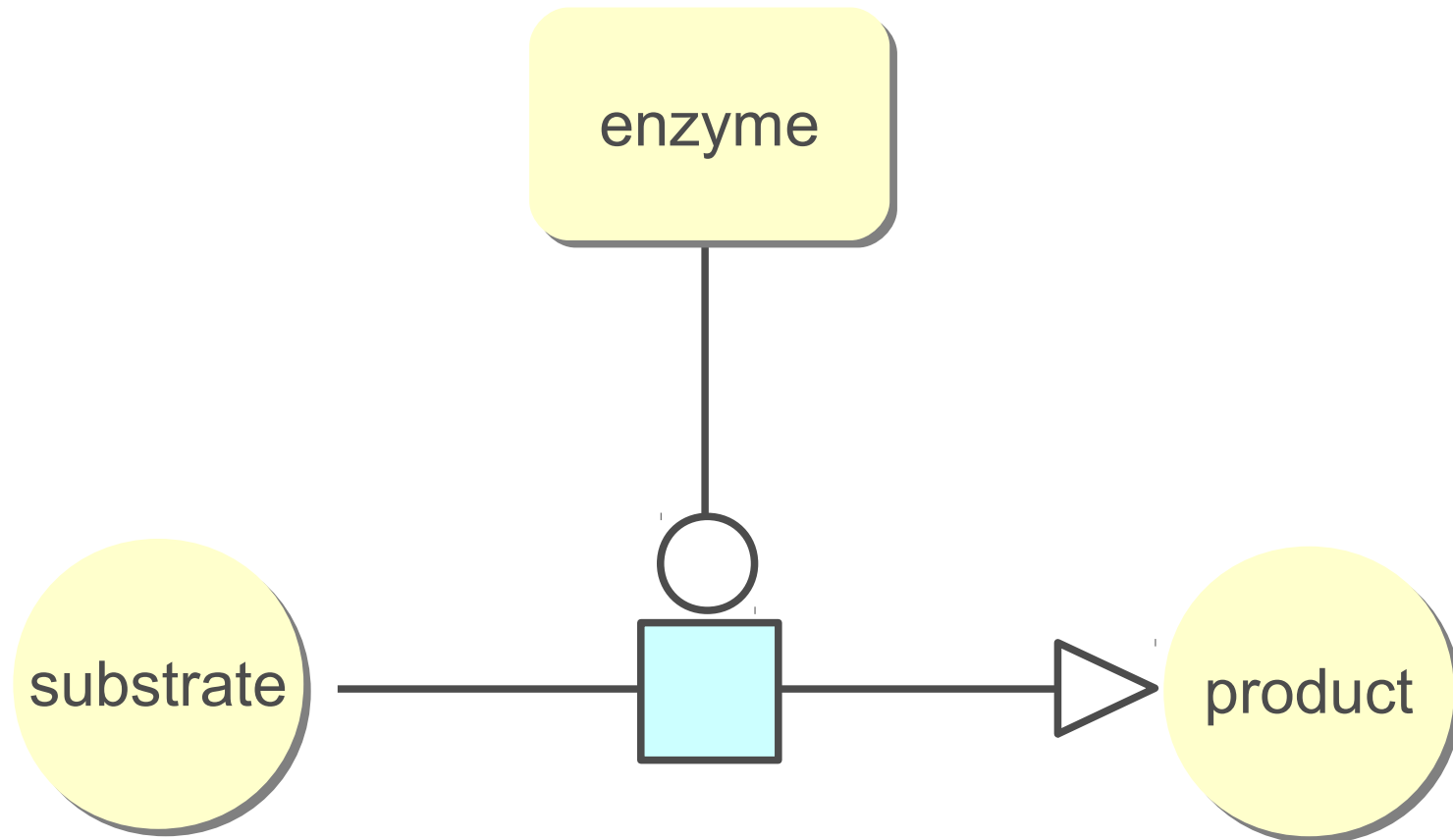
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 has *left* AKT1.3
 has *right* complex1
 is *reversible*

complex1 is a *Complex*
 has *component* AKT1.4
 has *component* HSP90.2

HSP90.2 is a *Protein*
 has *proteinReference* rHSP90
 is *boundTo* AKT1.4

AKT1.4 is a *Protein*
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 has *feature* p@308
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<!-- physicalEntities -->
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<!-- physicalInteractions -->
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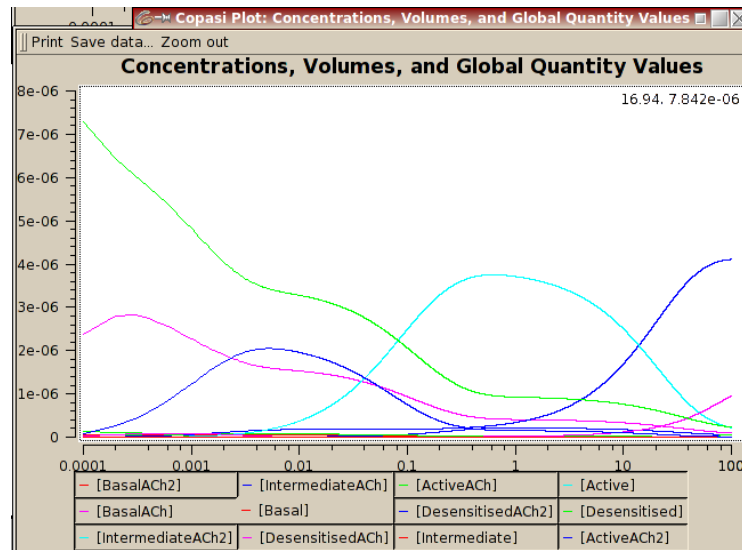
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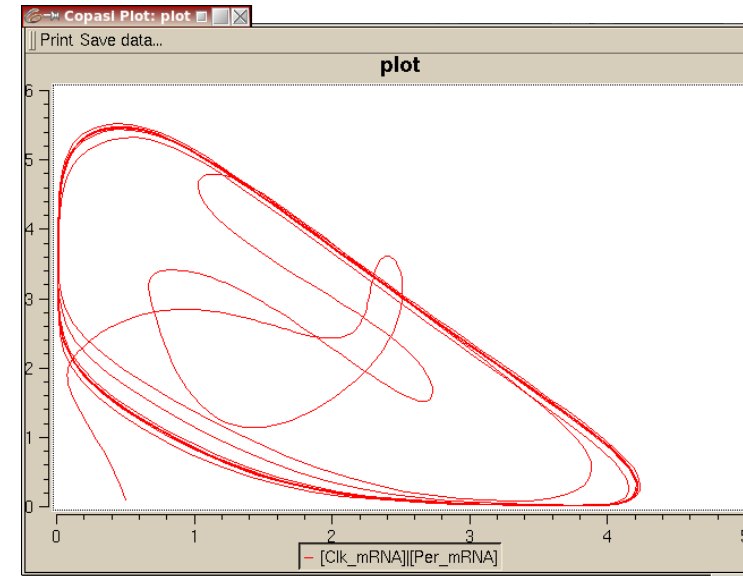
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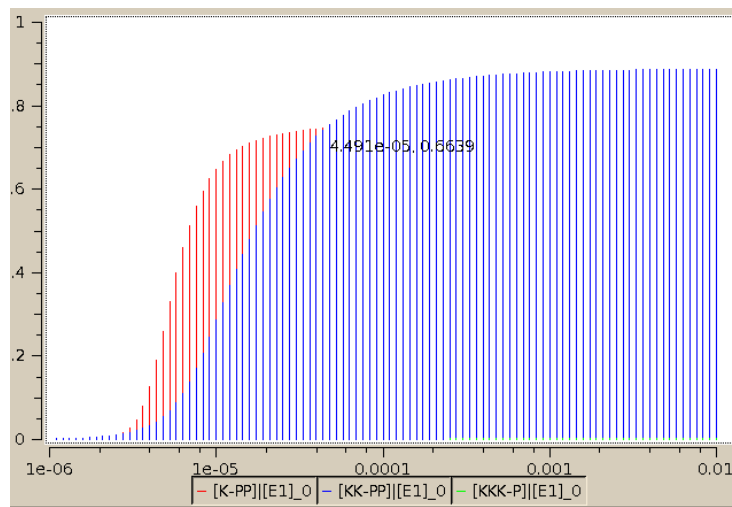
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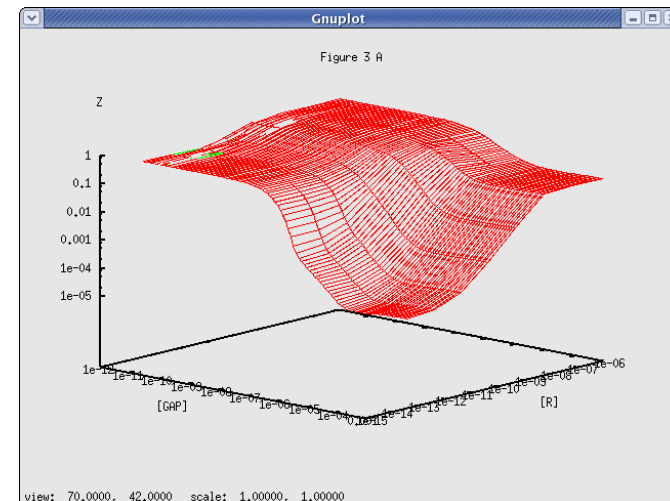
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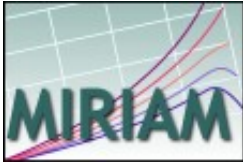
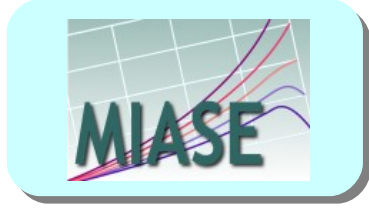
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Description of simulations and analyses

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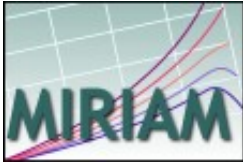
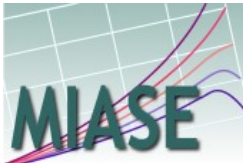
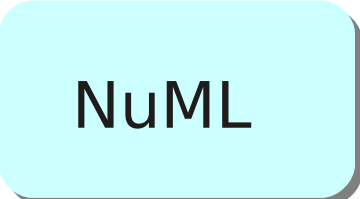
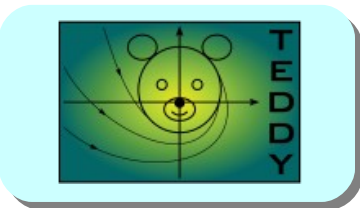
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Minimum Information About a Simulation Experiment (MIASE) common set of information a modeller needs to provide in order to enable the execution and reproduction of a numerical simulation experiment, derived from a given set of quantitative models

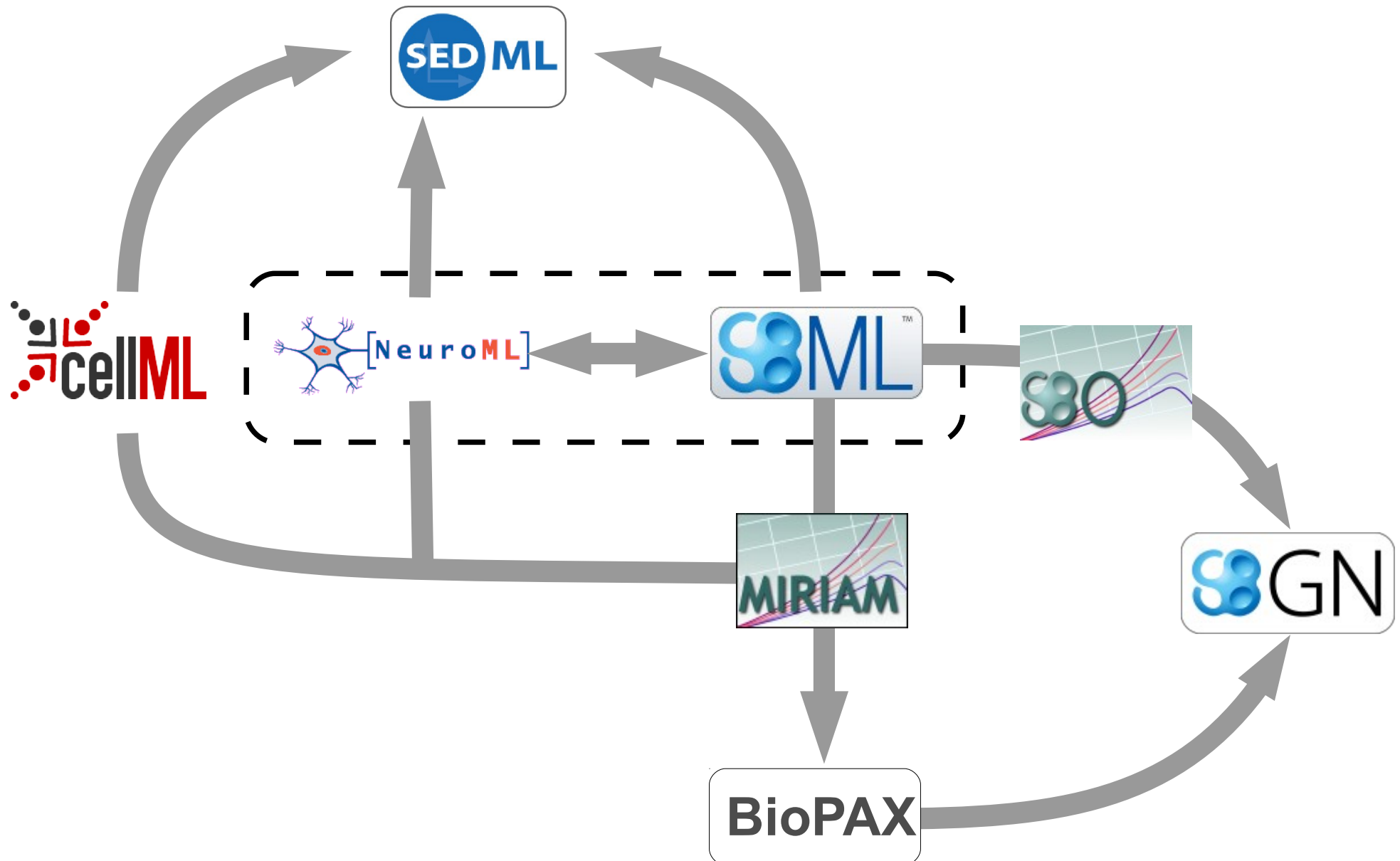
Simulation Experiment Description Markup Language (SED-ML) XML-based format for encoding simulation experiments, following the requirements defined in the MIASE guidelines

Kinetic Simulation Algorithm Ontology (KiSAO) covers the most important simulation algorithms and simulation methods used to simulate biological kinetic models and puts those algorithms and methods into relation

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Existing standards interoperability



Overarching standardisation structure



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