

Parametric Timed Petri Net of the Mammalian Circadian Clock

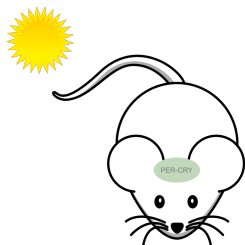
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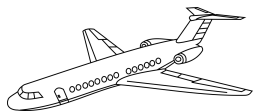


What biological systems?

Biological systems that possess the oscillatory behavior.



Motivation: health issues



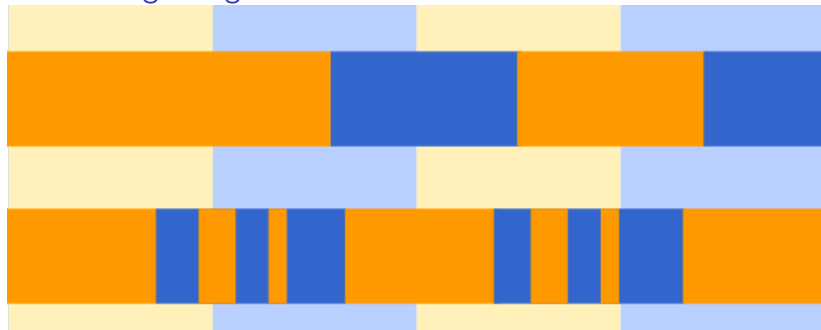
Biological experiments [Valrose]

Artificial lightning conditions



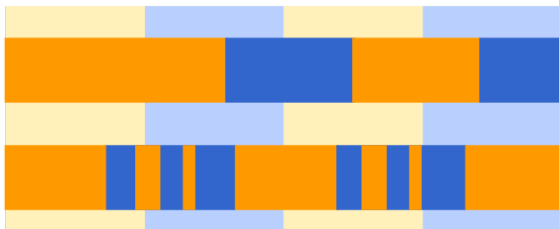
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Biological experiments

Gene knockout + artificial lightning conditions



Properties to address

- ▶ Address **systems resilience (SR)** model that incorporates costs of recovery
- ▶ Consider drastic changes in structure
- ▶ Circadian-clock: entrainment and coupling
- ▶ No information about distribution of delays

SR is formalized in **Schwind N. et al., "Systems resilience: a challenge problem for dynamic constraint-based agent systems"**

Design decision

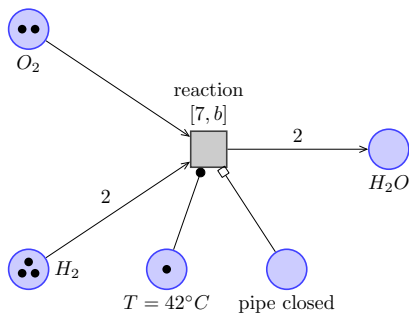
Analysis of chronometric properties

- ▶ Formalism: parametric time Petri Net
- ▶ Tool: ROMÉO ¹
- ▶ Variables: Boolean ("gene is expressed", "gene is not expressed")
- ▶ External stress: part of the model ("light is on", "light is off")

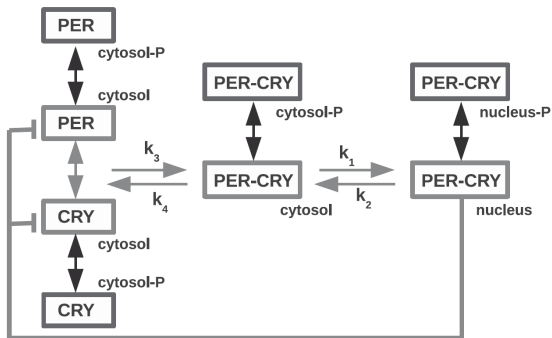
¹Didier L. et al, "Romeo: A parametric model-checker for Petri nets with stopwatches"

Parametric time Petri Nets + extensions: H_2O example

Elements: places, transitions, arcs, read arcs \circ , logical inhibitor arcs \square , parametric interval firing function

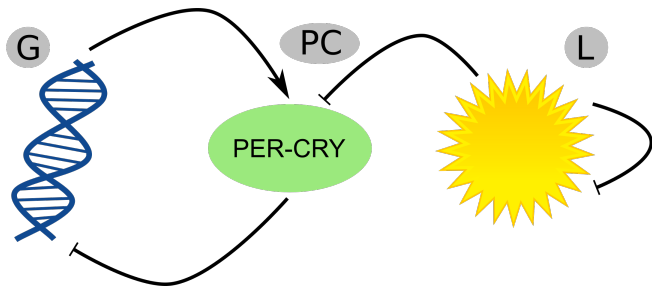


Circadian clock model



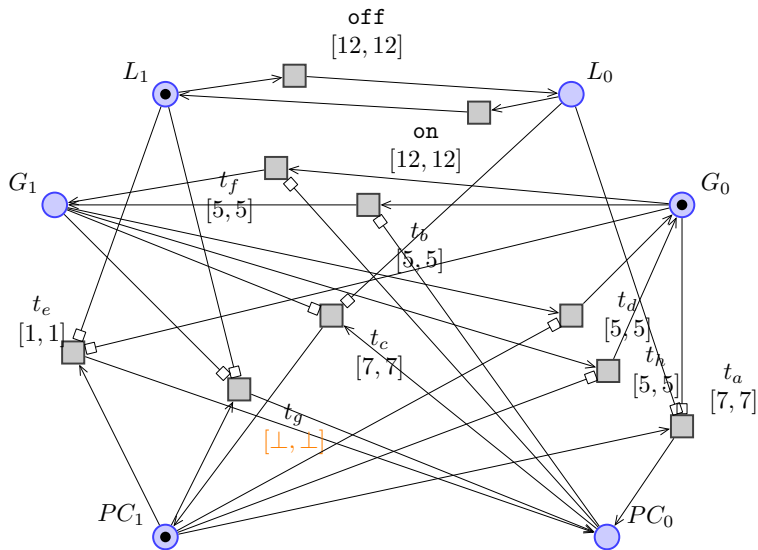
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Simple circadian clock model



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Petri net model of circadian clock



Model checking: PTPN-TCTL

- ▶ $\omega := E\varphi \mid U_I\psi \mid A\varphi \mid U_I\psi \mid EF_I\varphi \mid AF_I\varphi \mid EG_I\varphi \mid AG_I\varphi \mid \varphi \rightsquigarrow_{I_r} \psi$
- ▶ $GMEC ::= (\sum_{i=1}^n a_i * M(p_i)) \bowtie c \mid \varphi \vee \psi \mid \varphi \wedge \psi \mid \varphi \Rightarrow \psi$
- ▶ Can be extended with **observers**

Circadian clock properties

Permanent oscillation of PC

$$\phi = \left(M(p_{PC0}) = 1 \rightsquigarrow_{[0, \tau_{0,1}]} M(p_{PC1}) = 1 \right) \\ \wedge \left(M(p_{PC1}) = 1 \rightsquigarrow_{[0, \tau_{1,0}]} M(p_{PC0}) = 1 \right)$$

Properties inspired by Ballarini P., "Analysing biochemical oscillation through probabilistic model checking"

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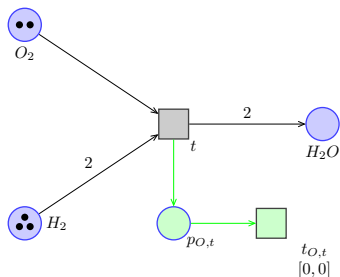
Entrainment behavior: change of G

$$(M(p_{G0}) = 1 \wedge M(p_{PC0}) = 1) \rightsquigarrow_{[0, \tau_0, 1]} (M(p_{G1}) = 1)$$

Properties with observers

Transitions redundancy

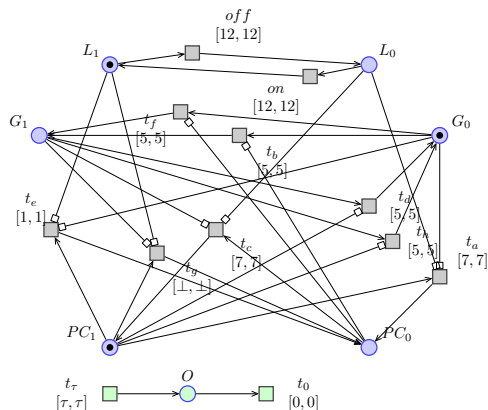
$$\bigwedge_{t \in T} EF_{[0, \infty]} M(p_{O,t}) > 0$$



Properties with observers

Periodically τ observer behavior

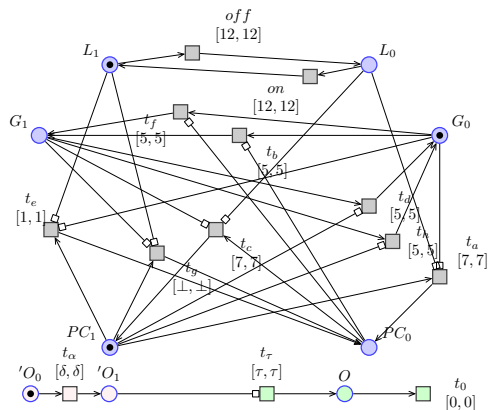
$$M(p_O) = 1 \rightsquigarrow_{[0,0]} [M(p_{L_1}) = 1 \wedge M(p_{G_0}) = 1 \wedge M(p_{PC_1}) = 1]$$



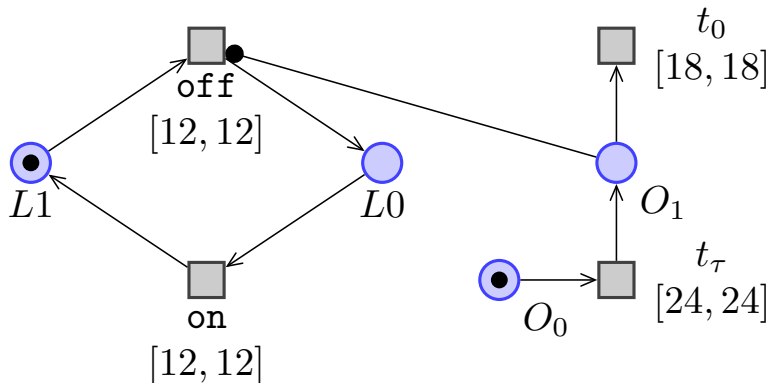
Properties with observers

Periodically τ observer behavior with initial delay δ

$$M(p_O) = 1 \rightsquigarrow_{[0,0]} [M(p_{L1}) = 1 \wedge M(p_{G0}) = 1 \wedge M(p_{PC1}) = 1]$$



Jet-lag effect



Contribution

- ▶ Transformation MVN + time info \mapsto PTPN
- ▶ Proof of concept: several resilience-related properties introduced for biological systems
- ▶ Methodology to create such properties (+ using observers)
- ▶ Model checking of simple circadian clock model

Open questions and problems

- ▶ PTPN-TCTL: no nesting
- ▶ PTPN-TCTL: only local-time properties
- ▶ Intervals: use $[a, b]$ instead of simple $[a, a]$
- ▶ Time: delays in minutes
- ▶ Resilience [Japan]: establish the **cost function** (complexity of 'recovery' in PTPN model)
- ▶ Resilience [Japan]: establish the connection to **SR** model
- ▶ Nominal behaviour **after** the adaptation

Future work

- ▶ Markovian and non-Markovian stochastic approaches
- ▶ Advanced model of circadian clock (available)
- ▶ Analysis of experimental data (available)

CMSB2015 inspired

- ▶ Usage of hybrid I/O automata and counting MTL (@ Marta Kwiatkowska)
- ▶ Process Hitting framework to easier treat multiple levels species and define recovery cost (@ Emna Ben Abdallah, Maxime Folschette, Morgan Magnin)
- ▶ Minimal model to satisfy properties and provide oscillations (@ Wassim Abou-Jaoude)

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Questions?



Coupling of oscillators

The current approach is capable to treat coupled oscillators if

- ▶ all parts of the system are represented in the same PTPN formalism
- ▶ reasonable upper bounds for parametric clocks are given a-priori

Resilience

The name for the group of properties

- ▶ Resistance
- ▶ Recoverability
- ▶ Functionality
- ▶ Stability

In addition to the **reaction** to changes in the environment the resilience addresses changes in **structure of the system** itself.

¹Definition is formalized in Nicolas Schwind et al., "Systems resilience: a challenge problem for dynamic constraint-based agent systems"

Scalability of the approach

ROMÉO tool is aimed at conducting model-checking for Time Petri Nets such that

- ▶ parametric state space computation is based on State Classes
- ▶ verification of parametric properties on reachable markings is conducted on-the-fly

The following issues can restrict the scalability of the approach

- ▶ parametric clocks for which the upper bound is not known
- ▶ number of parametric clocks