# Concurrency, self-organisation and molecular biology 

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## AnALYSING THE DYNAMIC OF NETWOKS

Some features of the networks:

- Concurrency : parallel composition
- Mobility : dynamics of the connections, migration

Suitable theoretical framework: Process algebras

- Computing unit $\longrightarrow$ process
- Emission/reception on channels
- Private name sharing
$\ldots \pi$-calculus (Milner)
- Notion of compartment
- Locating the communications
... Mobile Ambient (Cardelli \& Gordon)


## An ALTERNATIVE

Applications:

- Self-organization phenomena
- Modeling of molecular biology
$\longrightarrow$ Symmetry of the interactions: collisions
Reformulation of previous framework: $\kappa$-calcul, Brane calculi
- Protein $\rightarrow$ process
- Bound between proteins $\rightarrow$ sharing of a common name

Contributions: extension, integration

## FRAMEWORK

Starting from $\kappa$-calculus (with Vincent Danos)

1. Top-down approach: Synthesizing distributed programs from a given specification:

- for trees
- for graphs

2. Exploring reversibility features:

- in the langage itself
- using reversible process algebra (with Jean Krivine)

3. Bottom-up approach: biok-calculus (with Cosimo Laneve)

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## Collective Behaviour



- Self-organizing: How a collective phenomenon may emerge from multiple interactions (analysis and synthesis)
- Recurrent problem:
- Molecular biology (analysis)
- Genetic engineering (synthesis)
- Distributed robotics (synthesis)


## PRELIMINARY WORK

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## Preliminary work

- $\mathcal{G}$ : Set of explorative graphs:

- Assembling graph of the final target:




## The syntax

Syntactic representation of graphs:

- Nodes = agents
- Edges = private names sharing

$$
0 \quad \text { or } 0 \text { becomes }\langle x\rangle,\langle x, y\rangle,\langle y\rangle
$$

Construction rules :


$$
\langle x\rangle,\langle x, y\rangle,\langle y\rangle,\langle \rangle \longrightarrow(\nu z)(\langle x\rangle,\langle x, y, z\rangle,\langle y\rangle,\langle z\rangle)
$$

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What does that mean ?

- Comparison of transitions
- Comparison of states
$\Longrightarrow$ Mathematical tool: bisimulation


## InTuitive Features of The Algorithm

- Only one active agent by component.
- Local knowledge of the component's structure.
- Each agent knows its role in the component.
- Propagation of the changes related to an interaction by the use of a spanning tree.


## TRADUCTION OF THE REACTIONS

Set of reactions :

- Connection between 2 disjoint complexes

- Cyclic connection

- Propagation updates
- Activity switch
- Mechanism to handle the deadlocks


## Demo




## BotTOM-UP APPROACH

Problem: Extracting a functional meaning of sub-networks

- Several agents may interact at the same time by means of several sites
- competition for resources (sites)
- concurrency of the interactions
- nondeterminism
- Interactions may involve simple agents (proteins) or complex ones (compartments) and may cause small local changes or more structural ones.
- The overall behaviour is deterministic in general.


## Two DIFFERENT DIRECTIONS

Two different approaches:

- Based on $\pi$-calculus (Regev-Shapiro, Danos-Laneve): $\kappa$-calcul
- Based on Ambients (Cardelli): Brane Calculi

For modelling different biological systems:

- Signal transduction pathways, gene regulatory networks, ...
- Molecular transport, virus infections, ...


## A LANGUAGE FOR PROTEINS AND MEMBRANES

Proteic complex：


$$
\begin{aligned}
& \mathrm{A}\left(1^{x}+2^{y}+3\right), \mathrm{B}\left(1^{x}+\overline{2}\right) \\
& \mathrm{C}\left(1+\overline{2}+3^{y}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

Compartment with a transmembrane receptor：


$$
\left(\mathrm{A}\left(1+\overline{2}+3^{x}\right)\right)\left[\mathrm{B}\left(1^{x}\right)\right]
$$

## BIOK: THE SYNTAX

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## Some notations

- We write $\phi, \psi, \cdots$, for partial interfaces
- Simple interactions: complexations $\mathcal{C}$ and decomplexations $\mathcal{D}$ between proteins
- Based on a local knowledge of the proteins: (A, $\left.i, \phi, \phi^{\prime}\right)$

Example: $\left(\left(\mathrm{s}, 1,,_{-}\right),(\mathrm{R}, 1, \overline{2}, 2)\right) \in \mathcal{C}$
$\mathrm{S}(1+2+\overline{3}), \mathrm{R}(1+\overline{2}+3) \longrightarrow \mathrm{S}\left(1^{\times}+2+\overline{3}\right), \mathrm{R}\left(1^{\times}+2+3\right)$

## BIO $\kappa$ : THE LABELLED TRANSITION SYSTEM

The transition relation $\xrightarrow{\mu}$ is the least one satisfying the reductions:

- semi-interactions

$$
\frac{\left(\mathrm{A}, i, \phi, \phi^{\prime}\right) \in \mathcal{C}(\mathrm{r})}{\mathrm{A}(i+\phi+\sigma) \xrightarrow{\mathrm{A}_{\mathrm{x}}^{\times}} \mathrm{A}\left(i^{\times}+\phi^{\prime}+\sigma\right)} \quad \frac{\left(\mathrm{A}, i, \phi, \phi^{\prime}\right) \in \mathcal{D}(\mathrm{r})}{\mathrm{A}\left(i^{\times}+\phi+\sigma\right) \xrightarrow{\mathrm{A}_{\mathrm{x}}^{\times}} \mathrm{A}\left(i+\phi^{\prime}+\sigma\right)}
$$

- interactions proteins-proteins

$$
\left.\xrightarrow[{\mathrm{S}, \mathrm{~T} \xrightarrow{\tau} \mathrm{~S}^{\mathrm{A}_{x}^{\times}} \mathrm{S}^{\prime}, \mathrm{T}^{\prime}}]{\mathrm{B}} \mathrm{~B}_{x}^{\times} \mathrm{T}^{\prime} \quad \xrightarrow[{m(\mathrm{M})[\mathrm{S}] \xrightarrow{\tau} \mathrm{m}\left(\mathrm{M}^{\prime}\right)\left[\mathrm{S}^{\prime}\right.}]\right]{\mathrm{M} \xrightarrow{\mathrm{~A}_{\mathrm{x}}^{\times}} \mathrm{M}^{\prime} \mathrm{S} \xrightarrow{\mathrm{~B}_{x}^{\times}} \mathrm{S}^{\prime}}
$$

## BIO $\kappa$ ：THE LABELLED TRANSITION SYSTEM

－Lifting to the context

$$
\frac{\mathrm{S} \xrightarrow{\mu} \mathrm{~S}^{\prime}}{\mathrm{S}, \mathrm{~T} \xrightarrow{\mu} \mathrm{~S}^{\prime}, \mathrm{T}} \quad \frac{\mathrm{M} \xrightarrow{\mu} \mathrm{M}^{\prime}}{m(\mathrm{M})[\mathrm{S}] \xrightarrow{\mu} m\left(\mathrm{M}^{\prime}\right)[\mathrm{S}]}
$$

$$
\frac{\mathrm{S} \xrightarrow{\tau} \mathrm{~S}^{\prime}}{m(\mathrm{M})[\mathrm{S}] \xrightarrow{\tau} m(\mathrm{M})\left[\mathrm{S}^{\prime}\right]}
$$

## A TOOL TO COMPARE THE SYSTEMS

Some notations:
$-\mathrm{S} \xrightarrow{\tau} \mathrm{S}^{\prime}$ represents $\mathrm{S} \xrightarrow{\tau} \mathrm{S}^{\prime}$
$-\mathrm{S} \xrightarrow{\mu} \mathrm{S}^{\prime}$, with $\mu \neq \tau$, represents $\mathrm{S} \xrightarrow{\tau} \xrightarrow{\mu} \xrightarrow{\tau} \mathrm{S}^{\prime}$

A (weak) bisimulation is a symmetric binary relation $\mathfrak{R}$ between solutions such that $\mathrm{S} \mathfrak{R} T$ implies:

1. if $S \xrightarrow{\tau} S^{\prime}$ then $T \xlongequal{\tau} \mathrm{~T}^{\prime}$ and $\mathrm{S}^{\prime} \mathfrak{R} \mathrm{T}^{\prime}$
2. if $S \xrightarrow{A_{x}^{x}} S^{\prime}$ then $T \xrightarrow{A_{x}^{x}} T^{\prime}$ and $S^{\prime} \Re T^{\prime}$.

We write $S \approx T$ if $S \mathfrak{R} T$ for some bisimulation $\mathfrak{R}$.

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## Fusions of membranes

- core-bio $\kappa$ keeps the hierarchical structure of the solutions
- It is impossible to describe phenomena such as the fusion between two endosomes :

$$
\operatorname{esm}(\mathrm{M})[\mathrm{S}], \operatorname{esm}(\mathrm{N})[\mathrm{T}] \longrightarrow \operatorname{esm}(\mathrm{M}, \mathrm{~N})[\mathrm{S}, \mathrm{~T}]
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## CORE BIO $\kappa$ WITH MREAGENTS

The syntax of bios:

S ::=
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$m(M)[S] \| T$

## solution

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(mreagent)

## Fusions

By the use of a fonction $\mathcal{F}:\left(m, m^{\prime}\right)=n$

$$
\frac{m \in \mathcal{F}}{m(\mathrm{M})[\mathrm{S}] \xrightarrow{m} m(\mathrm{M})[\mathrm{S}] \| \mathbf{0}} \quad \stackrel{\mathrm{S} \xrightarrow{\mu} m(\mathrm{M})\left[\mathrm{S}^{\prime}\right] \| \mathrm{S}^{\prime \prime}}{\mathrm{S}, \mathrm{~T} \xrightarrow{\mu} m(\mathrm{M})\left[\mathrm{S}^{\prime}\right] \|\left(\mathrm{S}^{\prime \prime}, \mathrm{T}\right)}
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Horizontal fusion

$$
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Vertical fusion

$$
\frac{\mathrm{S} \xrightarrow{m} m(\mathrm{M})[\mathrm{T}] \| \mathrm{U}}{m^{\prime}\left(\mathrm{M}^{\prime}\right)[\mathrm{S}] \xrightarrow{\tau} \mathrm{T}, n\left(\mathrm{M}, \mathrm{M}^{\prime}\right)[\mathrm{U}]}
$$

## Activations

- Side effect of a complexation or a decomplexation
- By the use of a fonction $\mathcal{A}:\left(\mathrm{A}_{\mathrm{r}}, m\right) \mapsto n$

$$
\xrightarrow[{m(\mathrm{M})[\mathrm{S}] \xrightarrow{\mathrm{M} \xrightarrow{\mathrm{~A}_{x}^{\times}} \mathrm{M}^{\prime}} n\left(\mathrm{~A}_{\mathrm{r}}, m\right)=} n]{\mathcal{A}(\mathrm{S}]}
$$

$$
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$$
\begin{aligned}
& -\left(\mathrm{S}^{\prime \prime}, p(\mathrm{M}, \mathrm{~N})\left[\mathrm{S}^{\prime}\right]\right) \mathfrak{R}\left(\mathrm{T}^{\prime \prime}, p\left(\mathrm{M}^{\prime}, \mathrm{N}\right)\left[\mathrm{T}^{\prime \prime}\right]\right) \\
& -\left(\mathrm{S}^{\prime}, p(\mathrm{M}, \mathrm{~N})\left[\mathrm{S}^{\prime \prime}, \mathrm{R}\right]\right) \mathfrak{R}\left(\mathrm{T}^{\prime}, p\left(\mathrm{M}^{\prime}, \mathrm{N}\right)\left[\mathrm{T}^{\prime \prime}, \mathrm{R}\right]\right)
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## Perspective

Contribution :

- Attempt for integrating proteins and membranes
- Aim of representing biological systems
- Direct link between interactions between proteins and membranes activities

Gives a tool for:

- Abstracting from the molecular details
- Giving a fonctionnal meaning
- Modularity


## PERSPECTIVE

- Molecular biology
- automating the search for equivalences

- extending the panel of technics for infering properties
- diversifying the kind of biological systems modellised
- Self-organisation
- Study of reversible behaviours
- Optimization

