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Model-based approaches for the design of secure e-ID card applications

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Belgian National electronic ID cards

- Functionalities of e-ID:
 - Visual and electronic identification of the cardholder;
 - Stores a single public key certificate linked to a citizen's national number → electronic authentication of the cardholder;
 - Digital signature;
 - **—** ...
- Used in all transactions with government services.
- RISK: breaching privacy of citizen.

E-Health Applications

Motivation:

- Improve the quality and efficiency of healthcare;
- Reduce related costs;
- Rely on the innovation of information and communication technology.

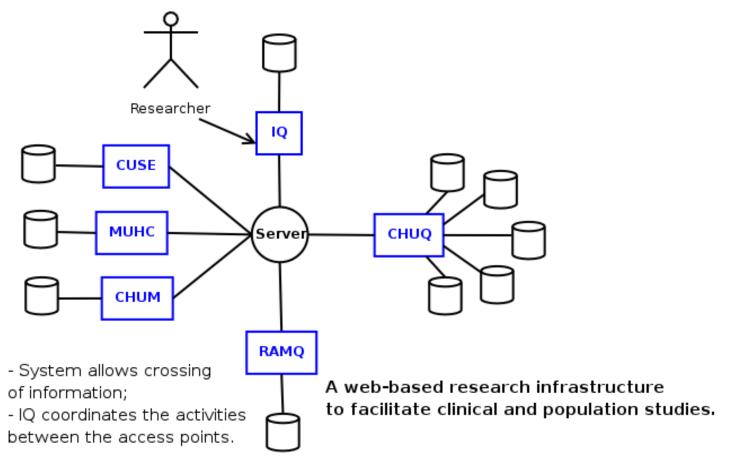
Technology:

- Associated with each patient is his/her Electronic Health Record (EHR) (patient-related information);
- Electronic data warehouses: central information systems where EHRs are stored.

Concerns:

- Management of electronic health records;
- Mining of electronic health data.

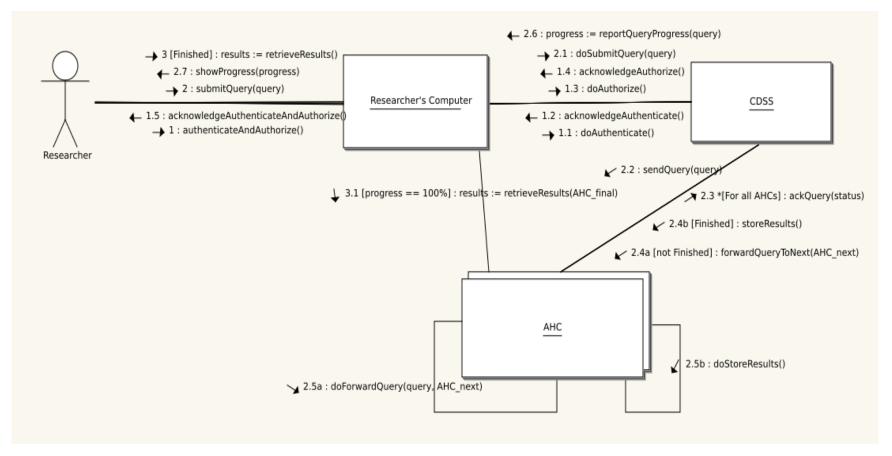
Existing Infrastructure for Mining of Electronic Health Records (EHR)



Inspired by the IRIS-Quebec implementation.

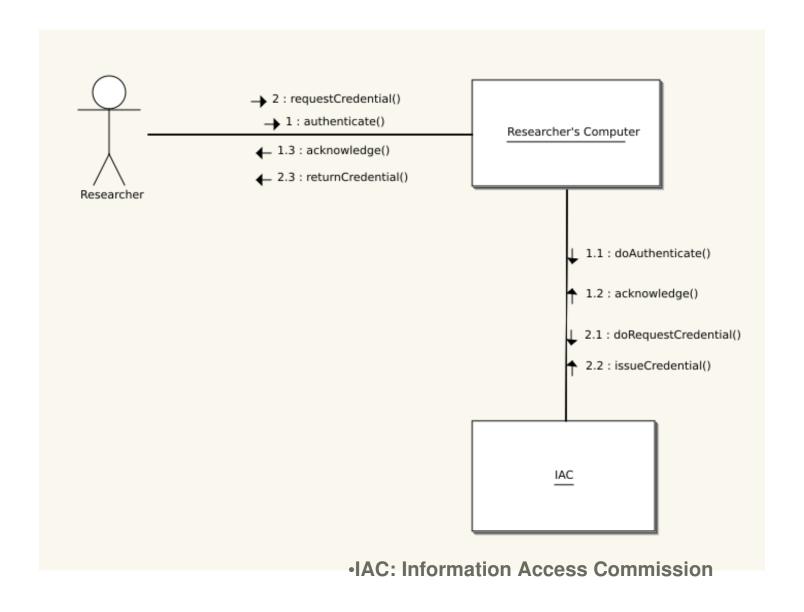
("Infrastructure de Recherche Intégrée en Santee du Québec")

Use Case: Mining EHR



- Queries are processed sequentially by a subset of the AHCs (Associated Hospital Centers) under the coordination of the CDSS (Clinical Data Sharing System).
- The CDSS first sends the query to *AHC_i1*. Once *AHC_i1* is done, the CDSS requests *AHC_i1* to forward the query along with the anonymized result to the next *AHC_i2*.
- When the cumulative result reaches *AHC_final*, the CDSS notifies the researcher that the query has been processed and provides the location where the result can be fetched.

Use Case: Issuing a Credential for EHR Mining



Concerns

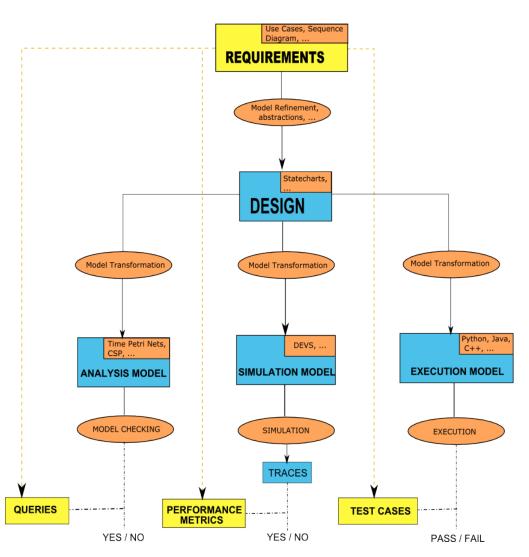
- We only require that communication channels between the AHCs, the CDSS, and the researcher guarantee the integrity of data. Confidentiality is not required because:
 - 1. AHCs exchange only anonymized EHRs when processing a query;
 - 2. The researcher retrieves the result of his/her query in an anonymized form (all person-identifying fields are removed);
 - 3. Authentication and query submission between the researcher and CDSS is likely to be done in Zero Knowledge thereby assuring confidentiality and preventing replay attacks.

Modelling and Simulation Based Design of Complex Systems

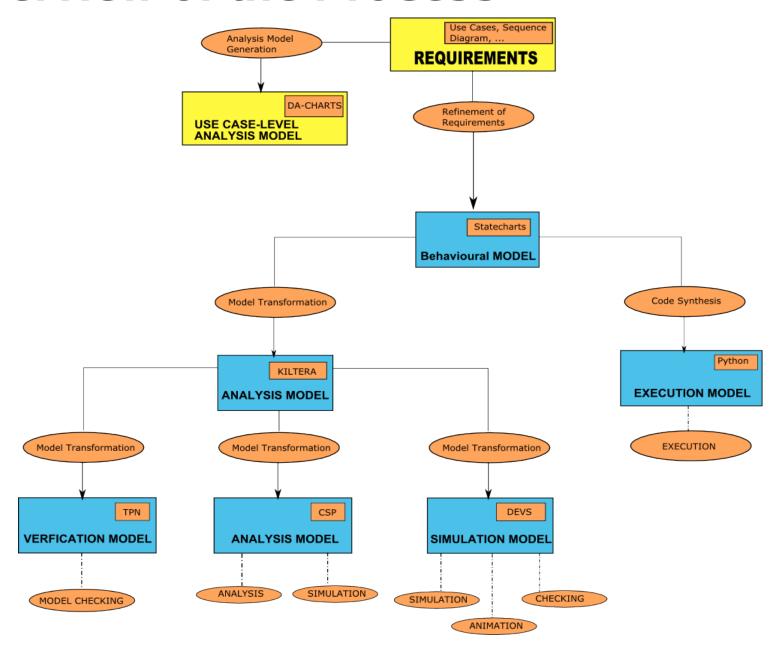
•We now have:

- –A definition of eID;
- A definition of e-health and related applications;
- –An example e-health use case, and requirements;
- –Something to check for (integrity of data).

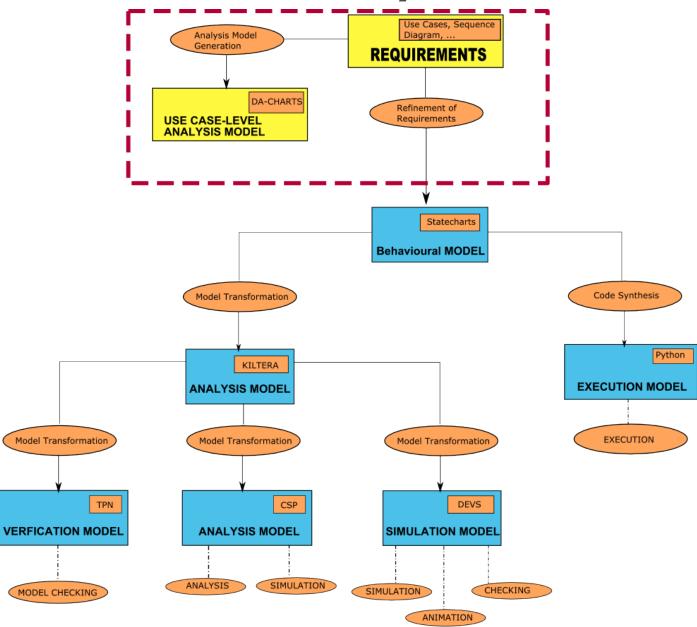
Where do we go from here?



Overview of the Process



Use Case-Level Analysis



Model-Driven Assessment of Use Cases for Dependable Systems

 Assessing and refining use cases to ensure that the specified functionality meets the dependability requirements of the system.

Method:

- 1. Mapping use cases to DA-Charts model;
- 2. Perform probability analysis of the model using AToM³.

Dependability and Fault Tolerance

Dependability:

Property of a computer system such that reliance can justifiably be placed on the service it delivers.

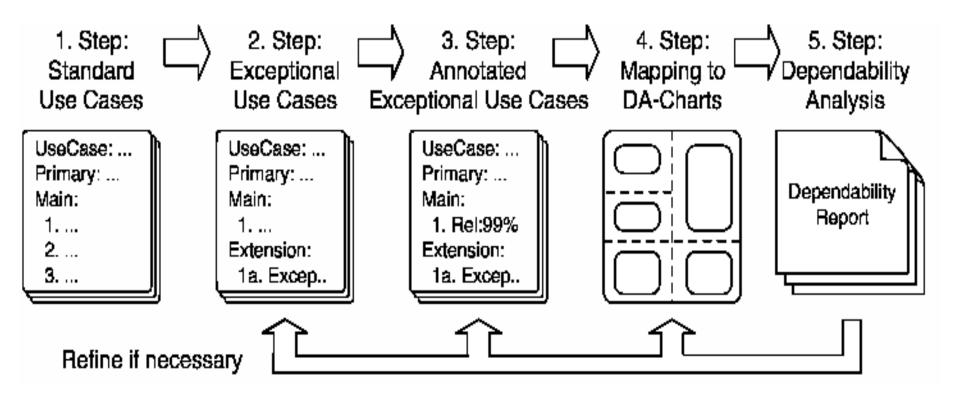
- Reliability: Measure a system's aptitude to provide service and remain operating as long as required.
- Safety: Determined by the lack of catastrophic failures it undergoes.

Fault tolerance:

Means of achieving system dependability.

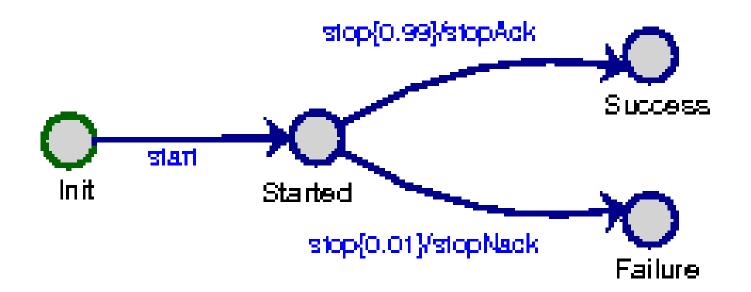
- Error detection: Detection of exceptional situations
- System recovery: Describing the interactions with the environment

Model-Driven Process for Assessment and Refinement of Use Cases

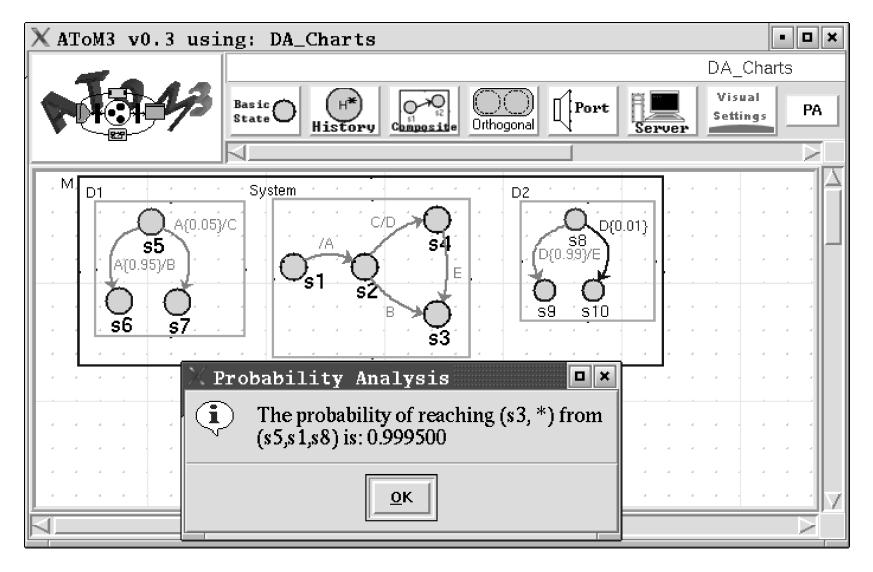


DA-Charts

- Dependability Assessment Charts:
 Probabilistic extension of the Statecharts formalism.
- A state can transition to one of two possible target states: a *success* state with probability *p* and a *failure* state with probability *1-p*.
- Syntax: event[condition]{probability}/action

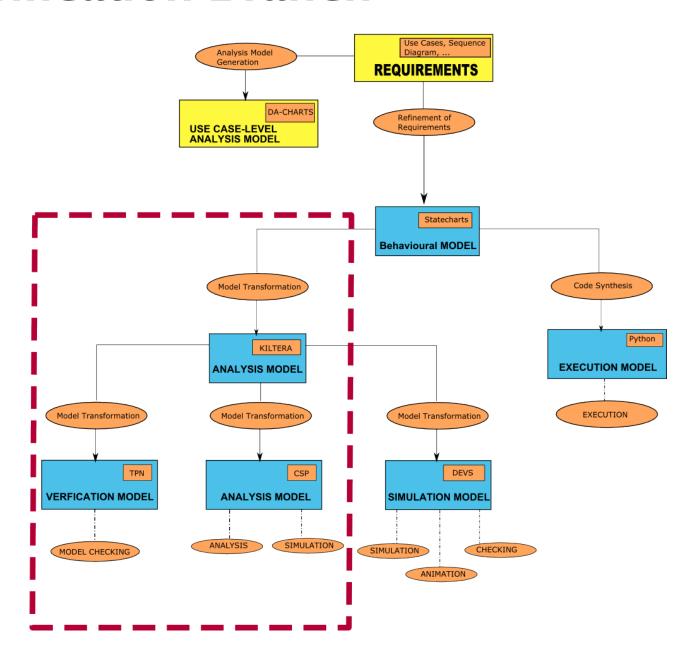


DA-Charts in AtoM³



(note: concurrency)

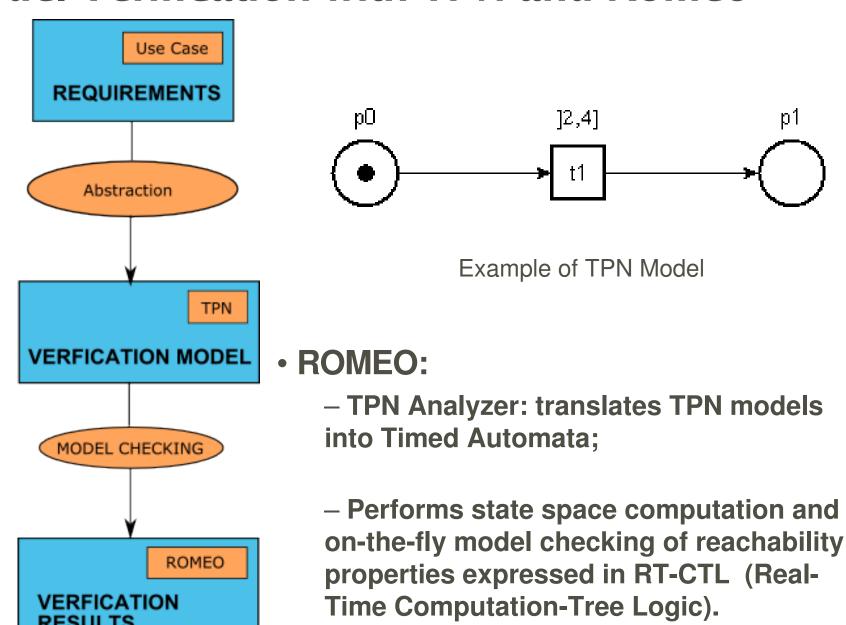
Verification Branch



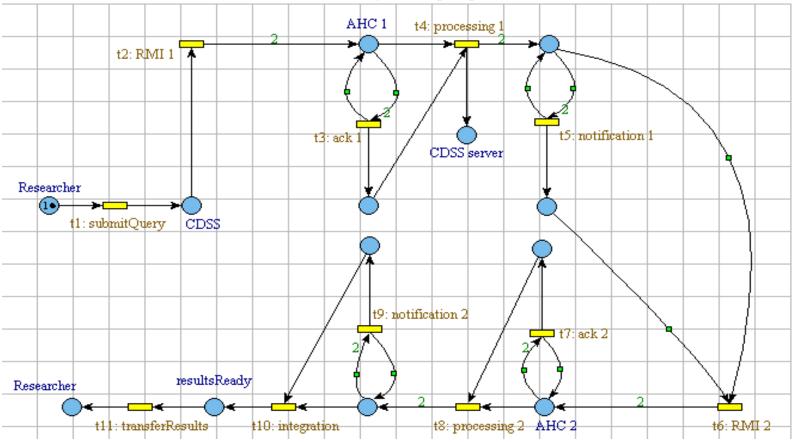
Model Verification with TPN and Romeo

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TPN Model of the CDSS



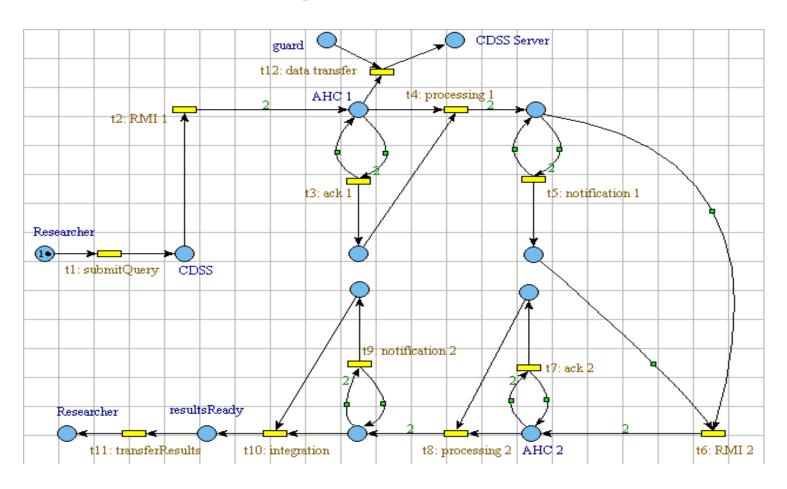
- Check : AG[0,inf](M(CDSS server)<1)
 - Assumption that the "CDSS server" place could hold 2 tokens if there was some breach of privacy of data (results were stored on the server).

•Output:

false (property does not hold)

Trace: t1: submitQuery, t2: RMI 1, t3: ack 1, t4: processing 1

Privacy-respecting TPN Model of the CDSS

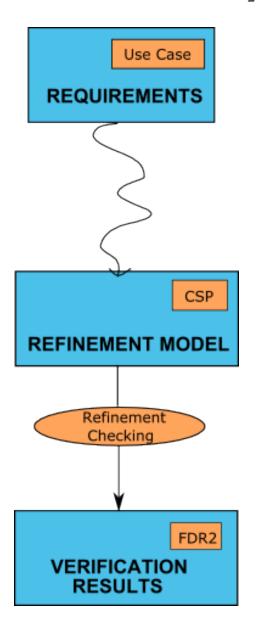


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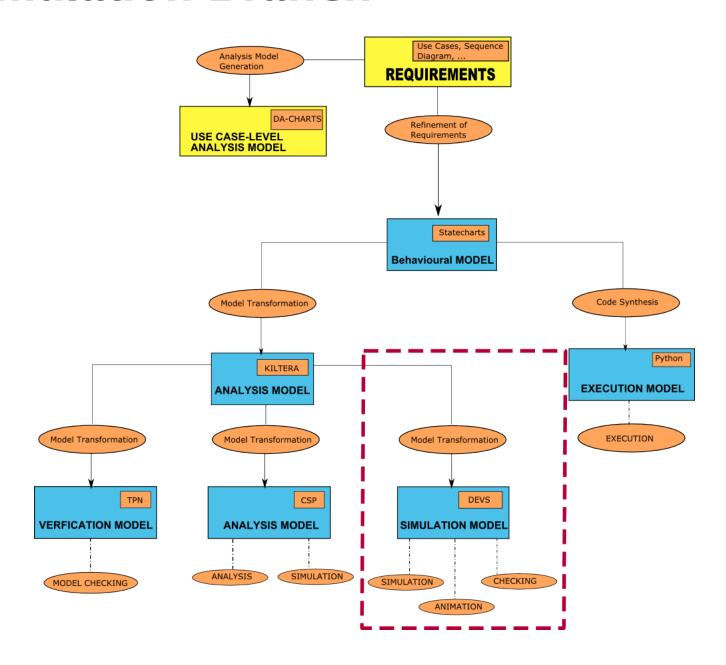
true

Use Case Analysis with CSP and FDR2

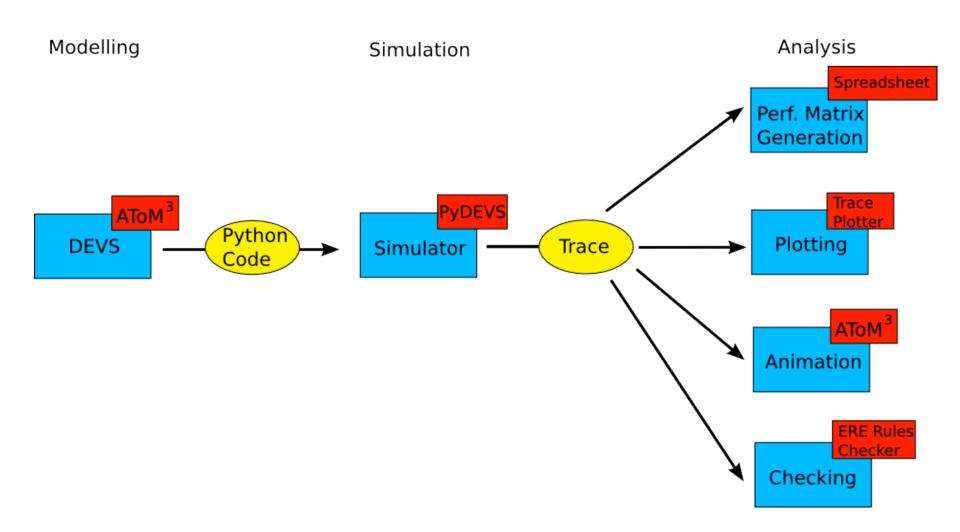


- CSP (Communicating Sequential Processes):
 - Language for describing patterns of interaction.
- •FDR2 (Failures/Divergence Refinement 2):
 - Model checker for systems described in CSP;
 - Converts two CSP process expressions into labelled transition systems, and then determines whether one of the processes is a refinement of the other.

Simulation Branch



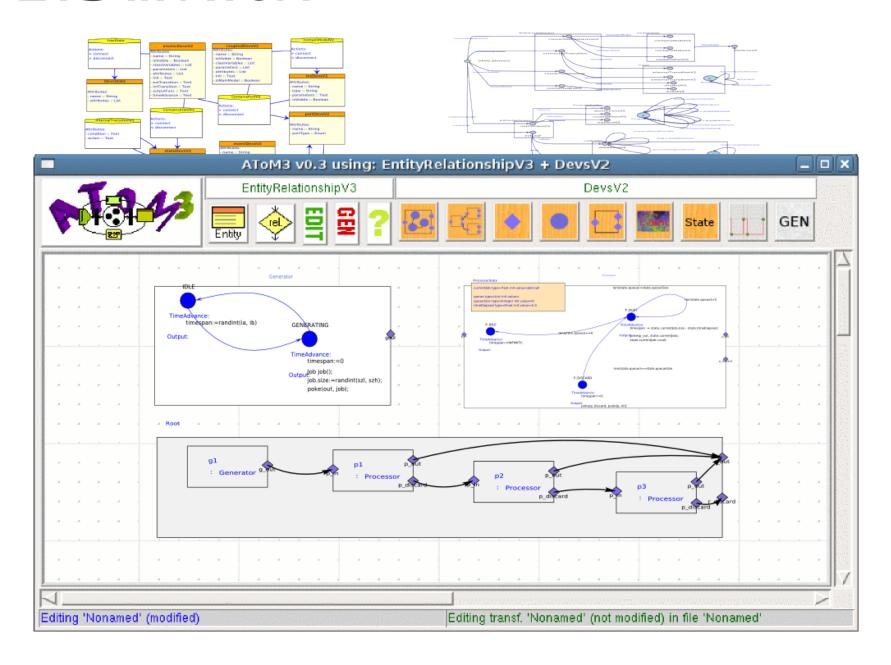
Approach



DEVS Formalism

- Discrete-EVent system Specifications
- To develop a rigourous basis for the compositional modelling and simulation of discrete event systems

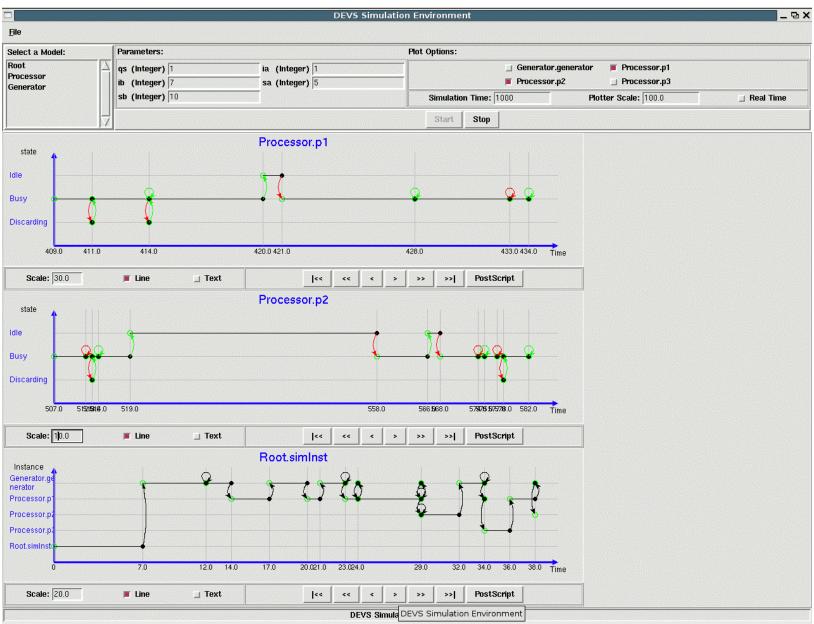
DEVS in AToM³



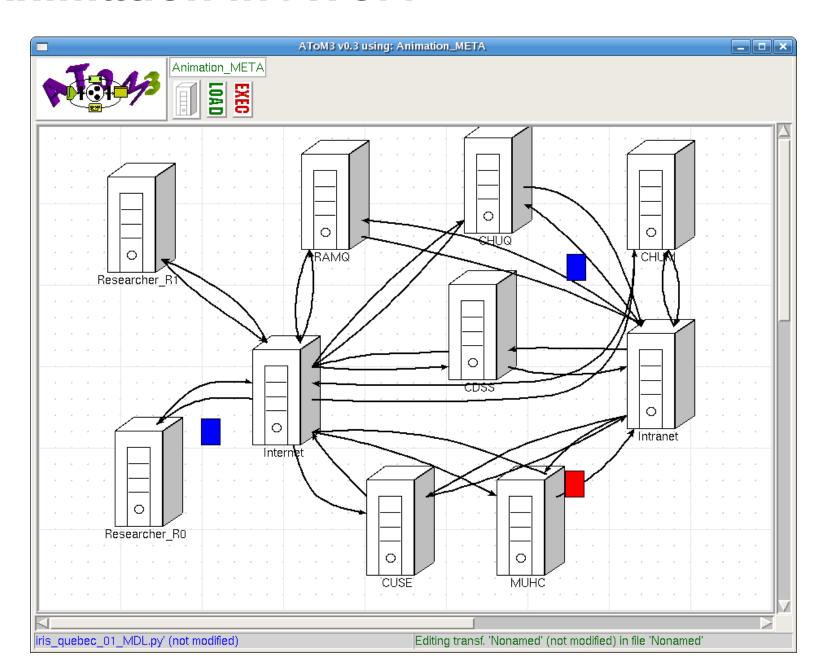
Modelling & Simulation using PyDEVS

- PyDEVS (aka PythonDEVS):
 - A prototype DEVS modelling language with simulator

Simulation Results Analysis with DEVS Trace Plotter



Animation in AToM³



Conclusions

- Gave overview of first experiments in modelling and simulation based design of e-Health applications
- Next phase:
 - Elaborate use case(s)
 - Down to synthesis of code ?
 - Use Credentica SDK

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