# Artificial Biochemistry Combining Stochastic Collectives

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# **Stochastic Collectives**



# Stochastic Collectives

- "Collective":
  - A large set of interacting finite state automata:
    - Not quite language automata ("large set")
    - Not quite cellular automata ("interacting" but not on a grid)
    - Not quite process algebra ("finite state" and "collective")
    - Cf. "multi-agent systems" and "swarm intelligence"
- "Stochastic":
  - Interactions have *rates* 
    - Not quite discrete (hundreds or thousands of components)
    - Not quite continuous (non-trivial stochastic effects)
    - Not quite hybrid (no "switching" between regimes)
- Very much like biochemistry
  - Which is a large set of stochastically interacting molecules/proteins
  - Are proteins finite state and subject to automata-like transitions?
    - Let's say they are, at least because:
    - Much of the knowledge being accumulated in Systems Biology is described as state transition diagrams [Kitano].

### **State Transitions**

Epidermal Growth Factor Receptor Pathway Map

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### **Even More State Transitions**



# **Reverse Engineering Nature**

- That's what Systems Biology is up against
  - Exemplified by a technological analogy:
- Tamagotchi: a technological organism
  - Has inputs (buttons) and outputs (screen/sound)
  - It has state: happy or needy (or hungry, sick, dead...)
  - Has to be petted at a certain rate (or gets needy)
  - Each one has a slightly different behavior
- Reverse Engineering Tamagotchi
  - Running experiments that elucidate their behavior
  - Building models that explain the experiments
- Applications
  - Engineering: Can we build our own Tamagotchi?
  - Maintenance: Can we fix a broken Tamagotchi?



How often do I have to exercise my Tamagotchi? Every Tamagotchi is different. However we do recommend exercising at least three times a day



# Understanding T.Nipponensis

- Tamagotchi Nipponensis: a stochastic interactive automaton
  - 40 million sold worldwide; discontinued in 1998
  - Still found "in the wild" in Akihabara
  - New version in 2004: they communicate!
- Traditional scientific investigations fail
  - Design-driven understanding fails
    - We cannot read the manual (Japanese)
    - What does a Tamagotchi "compute"? What is its "purpose"?
    - Why does it have 3 buttons?
  - Mechanistic understanding fails
    - Few moving parts. Removing components mostly ineffective or "lethal"
    - The "tamagotchi folding problem" (sequence of manufacturing steps) is too hard and gives little insight on function
  - Behavioral understanding fails
    - Subjecting to extreme conditions reveals little and may void warranty
    - Does not answer consistently to individual stimuli, nor to sequences of stimuli
    - There are stochastic variations between individuals
  - Ecological understanding fails
    - Difficult to observe in its native environment (kids' hands)
    - Mass produced in little-understood automated factories
    - It evolved by competing with other products in the baffling Japanese market
  - Mathematical understanding fails
    - What differential equations does it obey? (Uh?)





Tamagotchi X-ray



Tamagotchi Surgery http://necrobones.com/tamasurg/



# A New Approach

- "Systems Technology" of T. Nipponensis
  - High-throughput experiments (get all the information you possibly can)
    - Decode the entire software and hardware
    - Take sequences of tamagotchi screen dumps under different conditions
    - Put 300 in a basket and shake them; make statistics of final state
  - Modeling (organize all the information you got)
    - Ignore the "folding" (manufacturing) problem
    - Ignore materials (it's just something with buttons, display, and a program.)
    - Abstract until you find a conceptual model (ah-ha: it's a stochastic automaton).
- Do we understand what stochastic automata collectives can do?



Communicating Tamagotchi



# Automata Collectives

### Interacting Automata



Communicating automata: a graphical FSA-like notation for "finite state restriction-free  $\pi$ -calculus processes". Interacting automata do not even exchange values on communication.

The stochastic version has *rates* on communications, and delays.

new a@r1 Communication new b@r<sub>2</sub> channels new c@r<sub>3</sub>  $A_1 = ?a; A_2$  $A_2 = !c; A_3$  $A_3 = @\Lambda_5; A_1$  $B_1 = @A_2; B_2 + !a; B_3$ Automata  $B_2 = @A_1; B_1$  $B_3 = ?b; B_2$ *C*<sub>1</sub> = !b; *C*<sub>2</sub> + ?c; *C*<sub>3</sub>  $C_2 = @\Lambda_3; C_1$  $C_3 = @\Lambda_4; C_2$ The system and  $A_1 | B_1 | C_1$ initial state

"Finite state" means: no composition or restriction inside recursion. Analyzable by standard Markovian techniques, by first computing the "product automaton" to obtain the underlying finite Markov transition system. [Buchholz]

## **Interacting Automata Transition Rules**



## **Groupies and Celebrities**





#### A stochastic collective of celebrities:



Stable because as soon as a A finds itself in the majority, it is more likely to find somebody in the same state, and hence change, so the majority is weakened.



#### A stochastic collective of groupies:



Unstable because within an A majority, an A has difficulty finding a B to emulate, but the few B's have plenty of A's to emulate, so the majority may switch to B. Leads to deadlock when everybody is in the same state and there is nobody different to emulate.

# **Both Together**



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# **Doped Groupies**

A similar way to break the deadlocks: destabilize the groupies by a small perturbation.



## Hysteric Groupies

We can get more regular behavior from groupies if they "need more convincing", or "hysteresis" (history-dependence), to switch states.



### Hysteric 3-Way Groupies



2

2.5

3

0 50 100

1.5

1

0

0.5

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150 200 250 300

# **Oscillation as Emergence**



Without changing the components, interesting properties emerge with a critical size of the population.

> Dotted lines indicate cross sections where one may look for evidence of alternation

> > new a@1.0:chan() new b@1.0:chan()

let A() = do !a; A() or ?b; ?b; ?b; B() and B() = do !b; B() or ?a; ?a; ?a; A()

let As() = !a; As()and Bs() = !b; Bs()

run 64 of (A() | B()) run 1 of (As() | Bs())

# **Collective Boolean Logic**

## The Strength of Populations

At size 2N, on a shared channel,  $\mu$  is N times stronger than  $\lambda$ : interaction easily wins over delay.

<u>la</u>

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B

@μ

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fight!

| directive sample 0.01 1000<br>directive plot B()                                    |
|---|
| val lam = 1000.0<br>val mu = 1.0  |
| new a@mu:chan<br>let A() = !a; A()<br>and B() = ?a; C()<br>and C() = delay@lam; B() |
| run 1000 of (A()   B())   |







# **Collective Analog Devices**

### Xor as an Op Amp



"Noninverting Configuration"

Follower (a standard OpAmp trick)  $a=0 b=0 \Rightarrow d=b-a=0 a=c=a-b=0$  $a=0 b=1 \Rightarrow d=b-a=1 a=c=a-b=0$  $a=1 b=0 \Rightarrow d=b-a=0 a=c=a-b=1$  $a=1 b=1 \Rightarrow d=b-a=0 a=c=a-b=0$ hence d=1 at next step

hence d=b







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directive sample 40,0 1000 directive plot la; lb; ld

run step(200))

new a@1,0:chan new b@1,0:chan new d@1,0:char

let Xor\_hi\_a(a:chan, b:chan, c:chan, d:chan) =

do 2b; Xor\_hi\_b(a,b,c,d) or 2a; Xor\_lo\_ab(a,b,c,d) and Xor\_lo\_ab(a:chan, b:chan, c:chan, d:chan) =

run 50 of (Xor\_lo\_a(a,b,a,d) | Xor\_lo\_b(a,b,a,d))

do delay@1.0; Xor\_hi\_a(a,b,c,d) or delay@1.0; Xor\_hi\_b(a,b,c,d)

let clock(t:float, tick:chan) = (\* sends a tick every t time \*) (val ti = t/200.0 val d = 1.0/ti

let step(n:int) = if n=0 then |tick: clock(t. tick) else delav@d: step(n-1)

 $\label{eq:started} \begin{array}{l} let \; S\_b(tick:chan) = 2tick; \; S\_b1(tick) \\ and \; S\_b1(tick:chan) = do \; lb; \; S\_b1(tick) \; or \; 2tick; \; S\_b2(tick) \\ and \; S\_b2(tick:chan) = do \; lb; \; S\_b2(tick) \; or \; 2tick; \; S\_b3(tick) \\ d \in \mathbb{Z}^{d}(tick:chan) = do \; lb; \; S\_b2(tick) \; or \; 2tick; \; S\_b3(tick) \\ d \in \mathbb{Z}^{d}(tick:chan) = do \; lb; \; S\_b2(tick) \; or \; 2tick; \; S\_b3(tick) \\ d \in \mathbb{Z}^{d}(tick:chan) = do \; lb; \; S\_b2(tick) \; or \; 2tick; \; S\_b3(tick) \\ d \in \mathbb{Z}^{d}(tick:chan) = do \; lb; \; S\_b2(tick) \; or \; 2tick; \; S\_b3(tick) \\ d \in \mathbb{Z}^{d}(tick:chan) = do \; lb; \; S\_b2(tick) \; or \; 2tick; \; S\_b3(tick) \\ d \in \mathbb{Z}^{d}(tick:chan) = do \; lb; \; S\_b2(tick) \; or \; 2tick; \; S\_b3(tick) \\ d \in \mathbb{Z}^{d}(tick:chan) = do \; lb; \; S\_b2(tick) \; or \; 2tick; \; S\_b3(tick) \\ d \in \mathbb{Z}^{d}(tick:chan) = do \; lb; \; S\_b2(tick) \; or \; 2tick; \; S\_b3(tick) \\ d \in \mathbb{Z}^{d}(tick:chan) = do \; lb; \; S\_b2(tick) \; or \; 2tick; \; S\_b3(tick) \\ d \in \mathbb{Z}^{d}(tick:chan) = do \; lb; \; S\_b2(tick) \; or \; 2tick; \; S\_b3(tick) \\ d \in \mathbb{Z}^{d}(tick:chan) = do \; lb; \; S\_b2(tick) \; or \; 2tick; \; S\_b3(tick) \\ d \in \mathbb{Z}^{d}(tick:chan) = do \; lb; \; S\_b2(tick) \; or \; 2tick; \; S\_b3(tick) \\ d \in \mathbb{Z}^{d}(tick:chan) = do \; lb; \; S\_b2(tick) \; or \; 2tick; \; S\_b3(tick) \\ d \in \mathbb{Z}^{d}(tick:chan) = do \; lb; \; S\_b2(tick) \; or \; 2tick; \; S\_b3(tick) \\ d \in \mathbb{Z}^{d}(tick:chan) = do \; lb; \; S\_b3(tick) \\ d \in \mathbb{Z}^{d}(tick:chan) = do \; lb; \; S\_b3(tick) \\ d \in \mathbb{Z}^{d}(tick:chan) = do \; lb; \; S\_b3(tick) = do \; lb; \; S\_b3(tick) \\ d \in \mathbb{Z}^{d}(tick:chan) = do \; lb; \; S\_b3(tick) = do \; lb; \; S\_b3(tic$ 

run 10 of (new tick:chan run (clock(8.0,tick) | S\_b(tick)))

and S b3(tick:chan) = 2tick: S b4(tick)

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do lc; Xor\_hi\_a(a,b,c,d) or ?b; Xor\_lo\_ab(a,b,c,d) or delay@1.0; Xor\_lo\_a(a,b,c,d) and Xor\_hi\_b(a:chan, b:chan, c:chan, d:chan) =

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<u>!</u>c



#### directive sample 20.0 1000 directive plot la: lb: lc: ld

new a@1,0:chan new b@1,0:chan new c@1,0:chan new d@1,0:chan

 $c = A^*(a - b)$ 

 $d = A^*(b - a)$ 

**?**a

lC

**?**b

d

**?**a

let Xor\_hi\_a(a:chan, b:chan, c:chan, d:chan) = 
$$\begin{split} & n_{ex} = n_{ex} \prod_{ij \in I} a_{ex} a_{e$$
do ?b; Xor\_hi\_b(a,b,c,d) or ?a; Xor\_lo\_ab(a,b,c,d) and Xor\_lo\_ab(a:chan, b:chan, c:chan, d:chan) = do delay@1.0; Xor\_hi\_a(a,b,c,d) or delay@1.0; Xor\_hi\_b(a,b,c,d)

run 50 of (Xor\_lo\_a(a,b,c,d) | Xor\_lo\_b(a,b,c,d))

let clock(t:float, tick:chan) = (\* sends a tick every t time \*) (val ti = t/200.0 val d = 1.0/ti let step(n:int) = if n=0 then ltick; clock(t, tick) else delay@d; step(n-1) run step(200))

 $\label{eq:let_s_a(tick:chan) = do lo: $_a(tick) or ?tick: () \\ let $_b(tick:chan) = 2tick: $_b1(tick) \\ and $_b1(tick:chan) = do lo: $_b1(tick) or ?tick: $_b2(tick) \\ and $_b2(tick:chan) = do lo: $_b2(tick) or ?tick: () \\ \end $_b2(tick) = do lo: $_b2(tick) or ?tick: () \\ \end $_b2(tick) = do lo: $_b2(tick) or ?tick: () \\ \end $_b2(tick) = do lo: $_b2(tick) or ?$ 

run 100 of (new tick:chan run (clock(8.0 tick) | S. a(tick)) run 100 of (new tick:chan run (clock(4.0,tick) | 5\_b(tick)))

# Changing the OpAmp Gain

An OpAmp provides "infinite" differential amplification, but a stable finite amplification can be obtained by a feedback loop with a load splitter (the *follower* is a special case of that, which gives gain 1). The equivalent here is simply changing the rate on the feedback link.





Empirical law: [d] = [b]/rate(a) but why?





# Automata Polymers



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#### Bidirectional Polymerization Circular Polymer Lengths

Scanning and counting the size of the circular polymers (by a cheap trick). Polymer formation is complete within 10t; then a different polymer is scanned every 100t.



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directive sample 1000.0

directive plot Abound(); ?count



# Semantics of Collective Behavior

### "Micromodels": Continuous Time Markov Chains

- The underlying semantics of stochastic  $\pi$ -calculus (and stochastic interacting automata). Well established in many ways.
  - Automata with rates on transitions.
- "The" correct semantics for chemistry, executable.
  - Gillespie stochastic simulation algorithm
- But does not give a good sense of "collective" properties.
  - Yes one can do simulation.
  - Yes one can do program analysis.
  - Yes one can do modelchecking.
  - But somewhat lacking in "predictive power".

### "Macromodels": Ordinary Differential Equations

- Micromodels have lots of advantages
  - Compositional, compact, mechanistic, etc.
- But they always ask:
  - "Yes, but how does you automata model relate to the 75 ODE models in the literature?"
- From processes/automata to ODEs directly:
  - In principle: just write down the Rate Equation:
    - Determine the set of all possible *states* S of each process.
    - Determine the rates of the transitions between such states.
    - Let [S] be the "number of processes in state S" as a function of time.
    - Define for each state S:
      - [S] = (rate of change of the number of processes in state S) Cumulative rate of transitions from any state S' to state S, times [S'], minus cumulative rate of transitions from S to any state S", times [S].
  - Intuitive (rate = inflow minus outflow), but often clumsy to write down precisely.
- But why go to the trouble?
  - If we first convert processes to chemical reactions, then we can convert to ODEs by standard means!



#### Macromodel of Interaction Law of Mass Interaction

# The speed of interaction<sup>†</sup> is proportional to the number of *possible interactions*.

#### Decay



Exponential Decay law Rate of change proportional to number of possible decays.





Chemical Law of Mass Action http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Chemical\_kinetics The speed of a chemical reaction is proportional to the activity of the reacting substances.

Activity = concentration, for wellstirred aqueous medium Concentration = number of moles per liter of solution Mole = 6.022141×10<sup>23</sup> particles

#### Mass interaction



#### Interaction Law generalizes Decay Law

Mass Interaction law Rate of change proportional to number of possible interactions

<sup>†</sup> speed of interaction (formally definable)

= number of interactions over time

not proportional to the number of interacting processes! [P] is the number of processes P (this is informal; it is only meaningful for a set of processes offering a given action, but a set of such processes can be counted and plotted)



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run 1000 of (D() | A1() | B1() | A2() | B2() | A4() | B4() | A8() | B8())

## **Possible Interactions**

The speed of interaction is proportional to the number of possible interactions. But a process cannot interact with itself.

Assume each process P is in restrictedsum-normal-form. For each channel x:

In(x,P) = Num of active ?x in P Out(x,P) = Num of active !x in P Mix(x,P) = In(x,P)\*Out(x,P) #interactions that cannot happenin a given summation P In(x) = Sum P of In(x,P) Out(x) = Sum P of Out(x,P) Mix(x) = Sum P of Mix(x,P) total #interactions that cannot happen

The global Activity on channel x:

Act(x) = (In(x)\*Out(x))-Mix(x) total cross product of inputs and outputs minus total #interactions that cannot happen The global speed of interaction on a channel x:

speed(x) = Act(x)\*rate(x)



speed(a) = Act(a)\*rate(a) = 8\*rate(a)

# From Chemistry to ODEs

## **Chemical Reactions**

| A           | $\rightarrow^{r}$ | $B_1$          | + | ••• | + | B <sub>n</sub>        |
|-------------|-------------------|----------------|---|-----|---|-----------------------|
| $A_1 + A_2$ | $\rightarrow^{r}$ | $B_1$          | + |     | + | <b>B</b> <sub>n</sub> |
| A + A       | $\rightarrow^{r}$ | B <sub>1</sub> | + |     | + | Bn                    |

Degradation Asymmetric Collision Symmetric Collision

[A]• = -r[A]

 $[A_i]^{\bullet} = -r[A_1][A_2]$ 

 $[A]^{\bullet} = -r[A]([A]-1) \qquad Ma$ (assuming  $A \neq B_i \neq A_j$  for all i,j)

Exponential Decay Mass Action Law

Mass Action Law

#### No other reactions!

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The chemical Langevin equation Daniel T. Gillespie<sup>a)</sup>

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Genuinely *trimolecular* reactions do not physically occur in dilute fluids with any appreciable frequency. *Apparently* trimolecular reactions in a fluid are usually the combined result of two bimolecular reactions and one monomolecular reaction, and involve an additional short-lived species.

#### Chapter IV: Chemical Kinetics

[David A. Reckhow, CEE 572 Course] ... reactions may be either elementary or nonelementary. <u>Elementary reactions</u> are those reactions that occur exactly as they are written, without any intermediate steps. These reactions almost always involve just one or two reactants. ... <u>Non-elementary reactions</u> involve a series of two or more elementary reactions. Many complex environmental reactions are non-elementary. In general, reactions with an overall reaction order greater than two, or reactions with some non-integer reaction order are non-elementary.

#### THE COLLISION THEORY OF REACTION RATES

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The chances of all this happening if your reaction needed a collision involving more than 2 particles are remote. All three (or more) particles would have to arrive at exactly the same point in space at the same time, with everything lined up exactly right, and having enough energy to react. That's not likely to happen very often!

Trimolecular reactions:  $A + B + C \rightarrow^{r} D$ the measured "r" is an (imperfect) aggregate of e.g.:  $A + B \leftrightarrow AB$  $AB + C \rightarrow D$ 

Enzymatic reactions: S \_Eyr P the "r" is given by Michaelis-Menten (approximated steady-state) laws: E + S ↔ ES

 $E + 5 \leftrightarrow E5$  $ES \rightarrow P + E$ 



# From Processes to Chemistry

## Chemical Ground Form (CGF)

 $E ::= X_1 = M_1, ..., X_n = M_n$   $M ::= \pi_1; P_1 \oplus ... \oplus \pi_n; P_n$   $P ::= X_1 | ... | X_n$  $\pi ::= \tau_r ? n_{(r)} ! n_{(r)}$ 

Definitions(n≥0)Molecules(n≥0)Solutions(n≥0)Interactions (delay, input, output)

(To translate chemistry back to processes we need a bit more than simple automata: we may have "+" on the right of  $\rightarrow$ , that is we may need "|" after  $\pi$ .)  $\oplus$  is stochastic choice (vs. + for chemical reactions) 0 is the null solution (P|0 = 0|P = P) and null molecule (M $\oplus$ 0 = 0 $\oplus$ M = M) ( $\tau_0$ ;P = 0) X<sub>i</sub> are distinct in E Each name n is assigned a fixed rate r: n<sub>(r)</sub>



Ex: interacting automata (which are CGFs using "|" only in Init):



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# CGF to Chemistry

 $\begin{array}{ll} \mathsf{E}::=\mathsf{X}_1=\mathsf{M}_1,\ \dots,\ \mathsf{X}_n=\mathsf{M}_n & \mathsf{Definitions} & (n\ge 0) \\ \mathsf{M}::=\pi_1;\mathsf{P}_1\oplus\ \dots\oplus\ \pi_n;\mathsf{P}_n & \mathsf{Molecules} & (n\ge 0) \\ \mathsf{P}::=\mathsf{X}_1\mid\ \dots\mid\ \mathsf{X}_n & \mathsf{Solutions} & (n\ge 0) \\ \pi::=\tau_n & \mathsf{?n} & \mathsf{!n} & \mathsf{Interactions} \end{array}$ 

Each X in E is seen as a separate species.

Chemical system for E:

(N.B.: {...}<sup>m</sup> is a multiset, and P is P with all the | changed to +)

 $\begin{array}{ll} Ch_{\mathcal{G}}(E) \coloneqq \{(X \rightarrow^{r} P) \ s.t. \ (X \equiv \tau_{r}; P \oplus ...) \in E\}^{m} \\ \cup^{m} \{(X + Y \rightarrow^{r} P + Q) \ s.t. \ X \neq Y, \ \langle (X \equiv ?n_{(r)}; P \oplus ...), (Y \equiv !n_{(r)}; Q \oplus ...) \rangle \in E^{2}\}^{m} \\ \cup^{m} \{(X + X \rightarrow^{2r} P + Q) \ s.t. \ (X \equiv ?n_{(r)}; P \oplus ... \equiv !n_{(r)}; Q \oplus ...) \rangle \in E\}^{m} \end{array}$ 

# (Note on computing the multisets)

A multiset  $M \in Multiset(S)$ , where S is a set with equality, is a total function  $S \rightarrow Nat$ , which may also be written as a finite enumeration with repetitions:  $\{...\}^m$ .

Multiset binary union is the function  $\cup^{m}(M,M') = \s. M(s)+M'(s)$ .

The shorthand

 $\{(\mathsf{X} \rightarrow^{\mathsf{r}} \mathsf{P}) \text{ s.t. } (\mathsf{X} \equiv \tau_{\mathsf{r}}; \mathsf{P} \oplus ...) \in \mathsf{E}\}^{\mathsf{m}}$ 

is defined as the following finite union of singleton multisets:  $\bigcup^{m} \{ (X = \pi_1; P_1 \oplus ... \oplus \pi_n; P_n) \in E \}$ 

of  $(\bigcup_{i=1}^{m} \{i : s.t. : \pi_i = \tau_r\}$ of  $\{(X \rightarrow^r P_i)\}^m$ 

i.e. "for each  $(X=\pi_1; P_1 \oplus ... \oplus \pi_n; P_n) \in E$  and for each i such that  $\pi_i = \tau_r$ , return a copy of  $(X \rightarrow P_i)$ ".

The shorthand

 $\{(X + Y \rightarrow^{r} P + Q) \text{ s.t. } X \neq Y, \langle (X \equiv ?n_{(r)}; P \oplus ...), (Y \equiv !n_{(r)}; Q \oplus ...) \rangle \in E^2\}^m$ 

is defined as the following finite union of singleton multisets:

 $\begin{array}{l} \cup^{\mathsf{m}} \langle (\mathsf{X}=\pi_1;\mathsf{P}_1 \oplus ... \oplus \pi_n;\mathsf{P}_n), \, (\mathsf{Y}=\rho_1; \mathsf{Q}_1 \oplus ... \oplus \rho_m; \mathsf{Q}_m) \rangle \in \mathsf{E}^2 \text{ with } \mathsf{X} \neq \mathsf{Y} \\ \text{ of } \cup^{\mathsf{m}} \{ \langle i, j \rangle \text{ s.t. } \pi_i = ?\mathsf{n}_{(r)}, \, \rho_j = !\mathsf{n}_{(r)} \} \\ \text{ of } \{ (\mathsf{X} + \mathsf{Y} \rightarrow^{\mathsf{r}} \mathsf{P}_i + \mathsf{Q}_j) \}^{\mathsf{m}} ) \end{array}$ 

# Example



| Ch <sub>G</sub> (E): |                         |                   |
|----------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|
| Na + Cl              | → <sup>ρ(i)</sup>       | Na⁺ + Cl-         |
| Na⁺ + Cl⁻            | $\rightarrow^{\rho(d)}$ | Na + Cl           |
| Init                 | $\rightarrow^{\infty}$  | Na + Na + Cl + Cl |
|                      |                         |                   |

 $\rho_{E}(n_{(r)}) = r$ 

 $\begin{array}{ll} \mathcal{C}h_{\mathcal{G}}(E) \coloneqq & \{(X \rightarrow^{r} P) \ \text{s.t.} \ (X \equiv \tau_{r}; P \oplus ...) \in E\}^{m} \\ & \cup^{m} \ \{(X + Y \rightarrow^{r} P + Q) \ \text{s.t.} \ X \neq Y, \ \langle (X \equiv ?n_{(r)}; P \oplus ...), (Y \equiv !n_{(r)}; Q \oplus ...) \rangle \in E^{2}\}^{m} \\ & \cup^{m} \ ... \end{array}$ 



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# Subtler Examples

These are not *finite state systems*, but *finite species systems* are ok!

Unbounded state, but only 1 species. No problem!

#### Multisets:

The same interaction can occur multiple times and must be taken into account:

E:  

$$A = 2n; B \oplus 2n; B$$
  
 $C = 1n; D$   
 $C = 1n; D$   
 $C(E):$   
 $A + C \rightarrow^{p(n)} B + D$   
 $A + C \rightarrow^{p(n)} B + D$ 

That is:  
$$A + C \rightarrow^{2\rho(n)} B + D$$

Symmetric reactions:

E:  

$$X = \frac{1}{\alpha}; 0 \oplus \frac{2}{\alpha}; Y$$
 $C(E):$   
 $X + X \rightarrow \frac{2p(\alpha)}{\gamma}$ 

The rate of a was pre-halved and must be restored.

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### Automata Descriptions are n<sup>2</sup> More Compact



# From Processes to ODEs via Chemistry

### Choice Law by ODEs



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### Idle Loop Law by ODEs



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### Equiconfluence Law by ODEs



## Groupies ODE

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## Hysteric Groupies ODE



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- Stochastic Collectives
  - Complex global behavior from simple components
  - Emergence of collective functionality from "non-functional" components
  - (Cf. "swarm intelligence": simple global behavior from complex components)
- Artificial Biochemistry
  - Stochastic collectives with Law of Mass Interaction kinetics
  - Connections to classical Markov theory, chemical Master Equation, and Rate Equation
- The agent/automaton/process point of view
  - Individuals that transition between states
     (vs. transmutation between unrelated chemical species)
  - More appropriate for Systems Biology
  - Stochastic  $\pi$ -calculus (SPiM) for investigating stochastic collectives
    - Restriction+Communication  $\Rightarrow$  Polymerization: FSA that "stick together"
- Properties of collective behavior
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