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# KaSa: a Static Analyzer for Kappa

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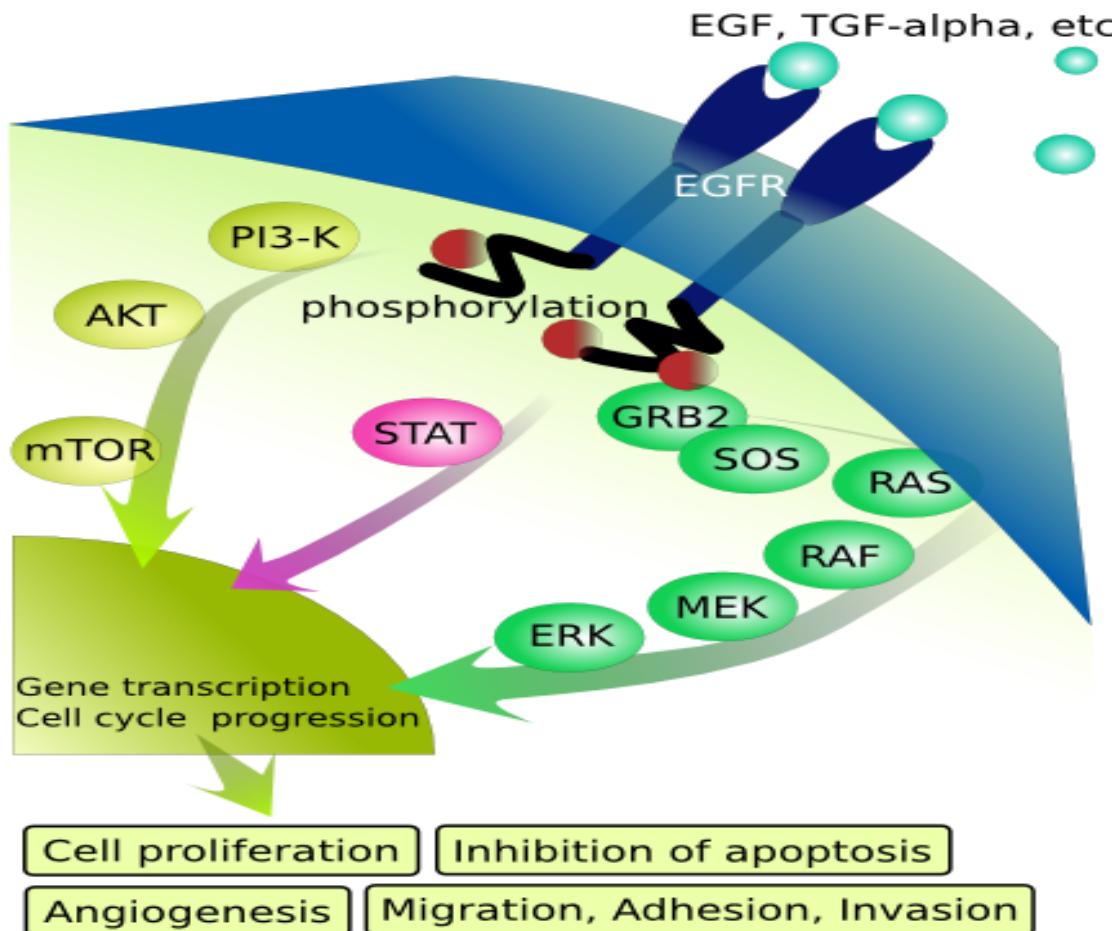
Joint work with  
Pierre Bouillier, Ferdinanda Camporesi, Jean Cocquet,  
Kim Quyên Lý, Nathalie Theret, and Pierre Vignet

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# On the menu today

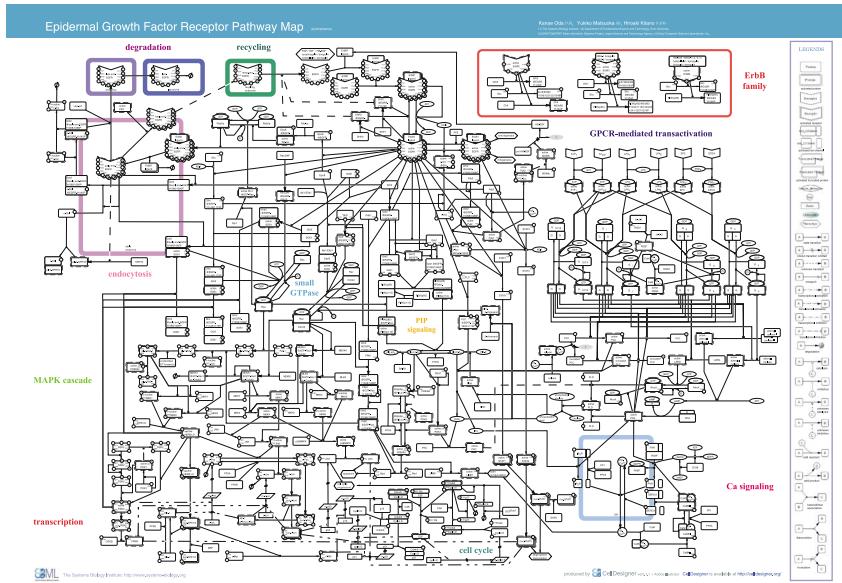
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# Signalling pathways



Eikuchi, 2007

# Bridge the gap between...

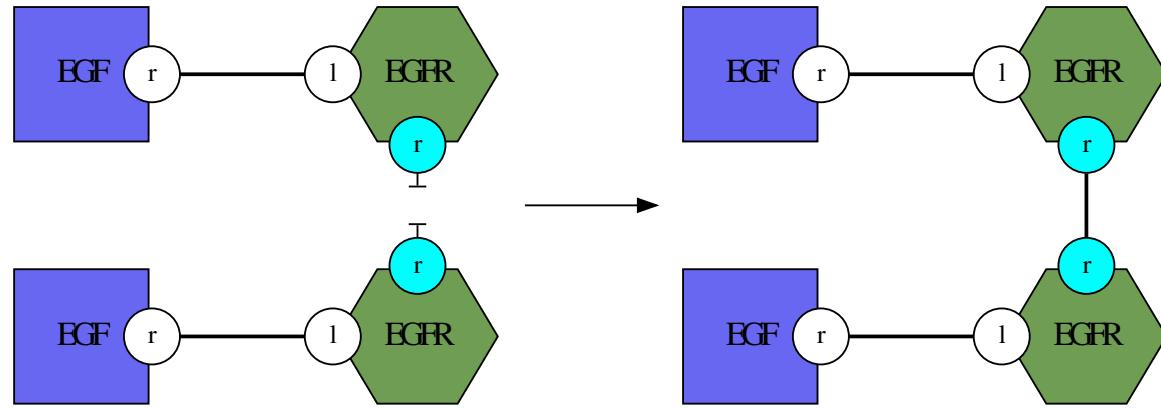


knowledge  
representation

models of the  
and behaviour of systems

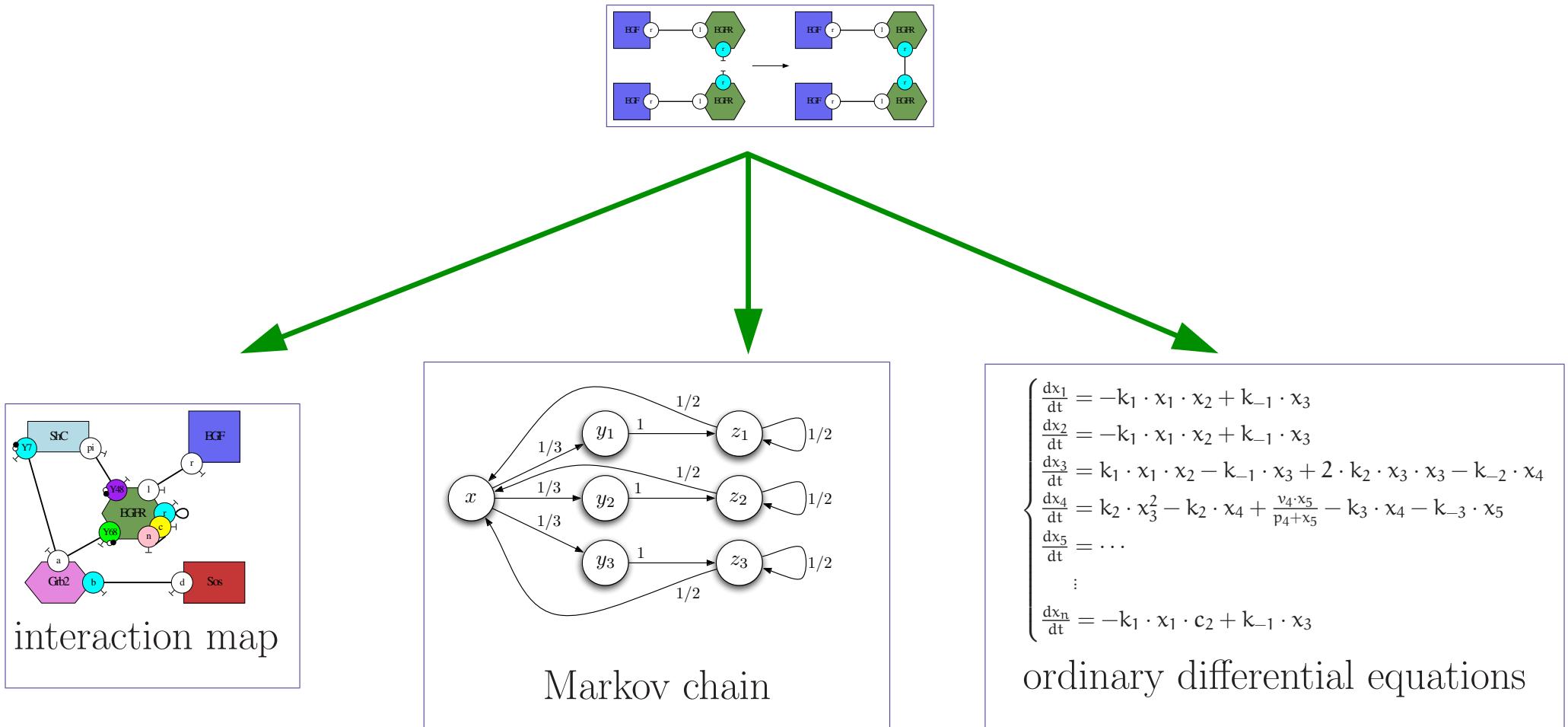
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{dx_1}{dt} = -k_1 \cdot x_1 \cdot x_2 + k_{-1} \cdot x_3 \\ \frac{dx_2}{dt} = -k_1 \cdot x_1 \cdot x_2 + k_{-1} \cdot x_3 \\ \frac{dx_3}{dt} = k_1 \cdot x_1 \cdot x_2 - k_{-1} \cdot x_3 + 2 \cdot k_2 \cdot x_3 \cdot x_3 - k_{-2} \cdot x_4 \\ \frac{dx_4}{dt} = k_2 \cdot x_3^2 - k_2 \cdot x_4 + \frac{v_4 \cdot x_5}{p_4 + x_5} - k_3 \cdot x_4 - k_{-3} \cdot x_5 \\ \frac{dx_5}{dt} = \dots \\ \vdots \\ \frac{dx_n}{dt} = -k_1 \cdot x_1 \cdot c_2 + k_{-1} \cdot x_3 \end{array} \right.$$

# Site-graphs rewriting



- a language close to knowledge representation;
- rules are easy to update;
- a compact description of models.

# Choices of semantics



# Static analysis

Kappa:

1. solves the problem of knowledge representation;
2. provides formal definition for the collective behaviour of proteins.

But how to ensure that Kappa rules match with what the modelers have in mind?

We use static analysis:

1. to increase the level of confidence.
2. to get a quick snapshot of what is going on in a model.
3. *to initiate a virtuous loop between model refinement and static analysis.*

# KaSa

- **Goal:** Provide accurate static analysis, fast enough to be integrated in the graphical user interface.
- **Theory:** Abstract interpretation, category theory, group actions, linear algebra simplicial complexes, graphs.
- **Algorithms and Data-structures:** binary decision diagrams, hash-consing, memoization, patrician trees, row echelon forms, Tarjan's SCC algorithm.
- **Authors:** Jérôme Feret (2006-) and Kim Quyên Lý (2015-2017)
- 68,000 lines of OCAML



“AbstractCell” (2009-2013)



“Big Mechanism” (2014-2017)



“TGF $\beta$ SysBio”  
(2015-2018)

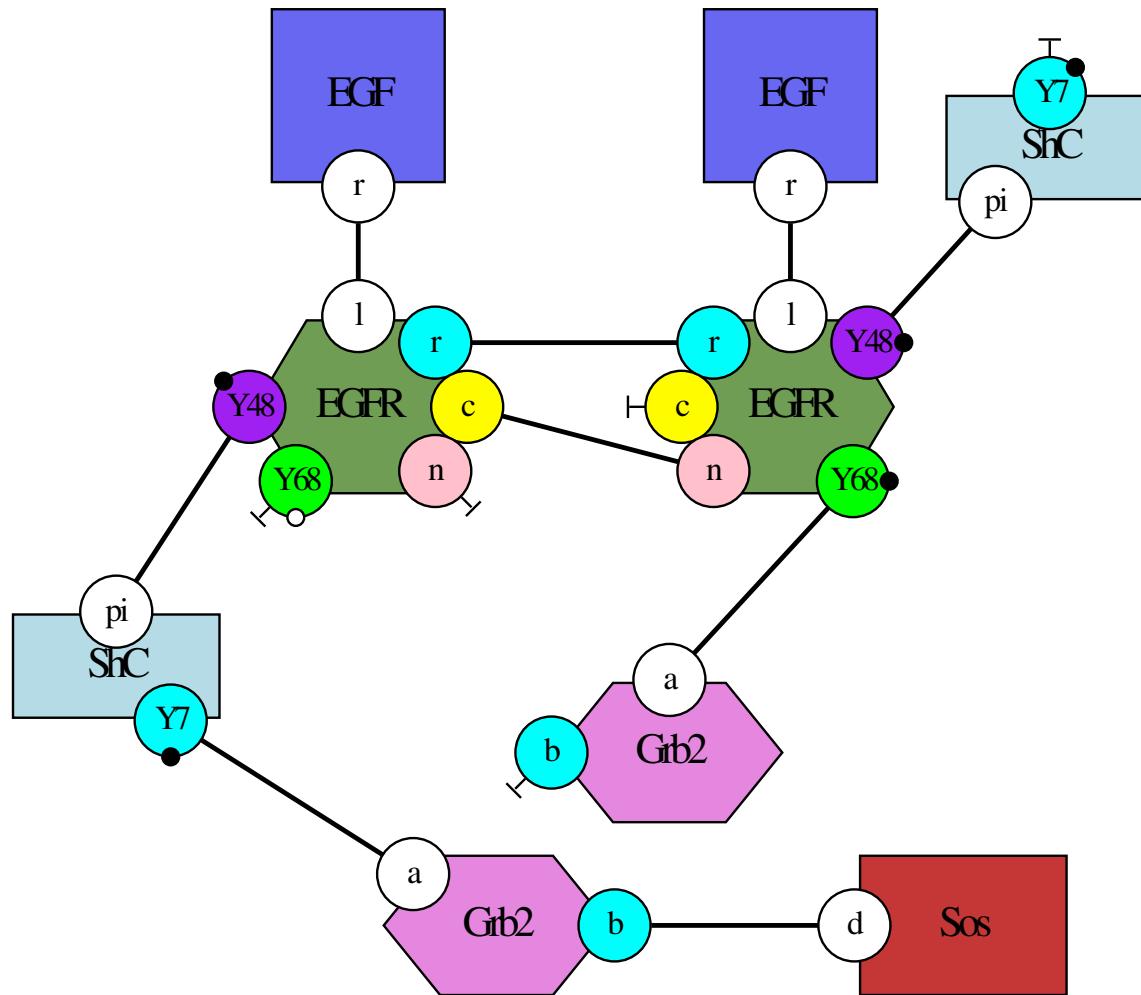
# Case study: TGF-b

- Model of the extracellular activation of the transforming growth factor TGF-b:
  - TGF-b controls cell homeostasis in normal tissue,
  - TGF-b promotes the development of fibrosis and cancer.
- Developped by Nathalie Theret, Jean Cocquet, and Pierre Vignet.
- About 300 interaction rules.
- Point of interest:
  - Competition for shared resources;
  - Very long time-scale;
  - Polymers formation with counterfactual causality;
- Nice interplay:
  - KaSa has been helpful to curate the model;
  - KaSa has been extended to cope with new properties of interest identified during the modelling process.

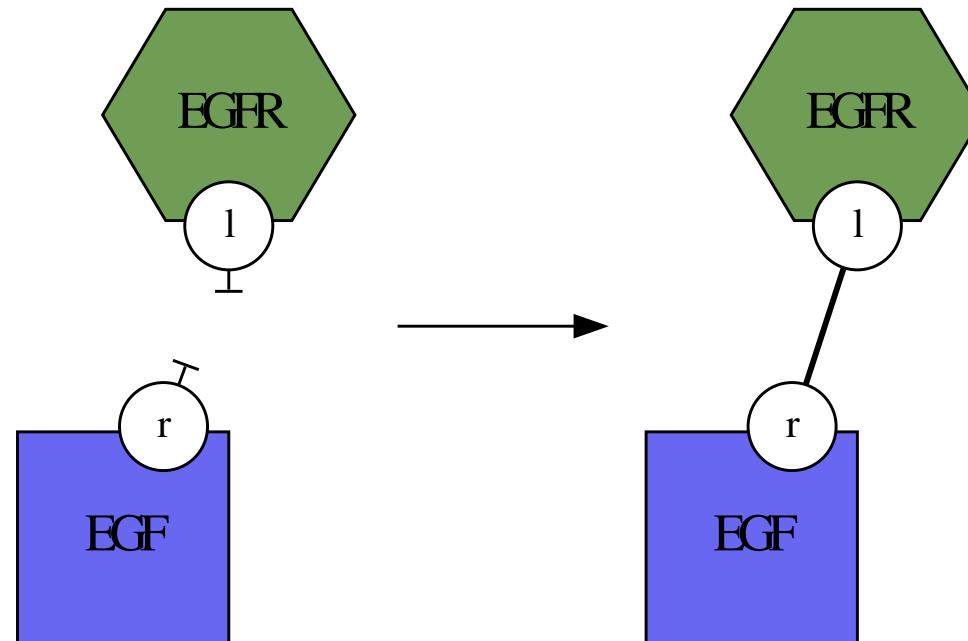
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# Bio-molecular compound

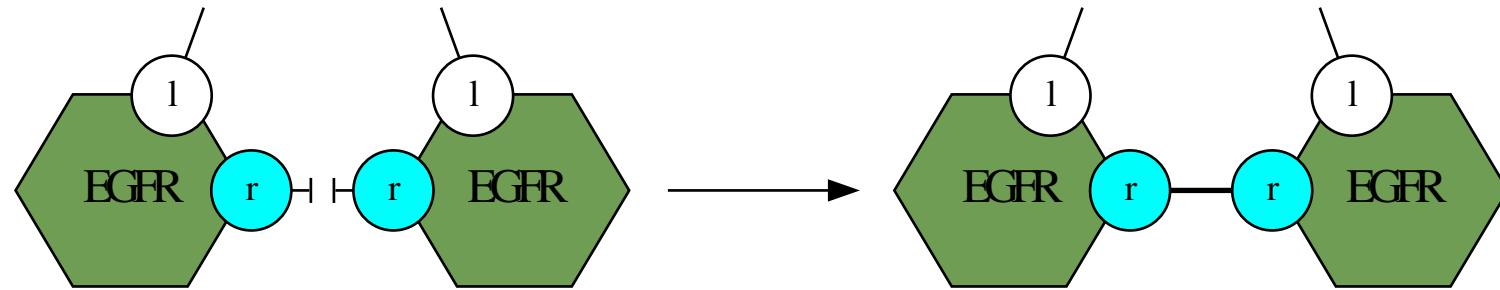


# Receptor activation

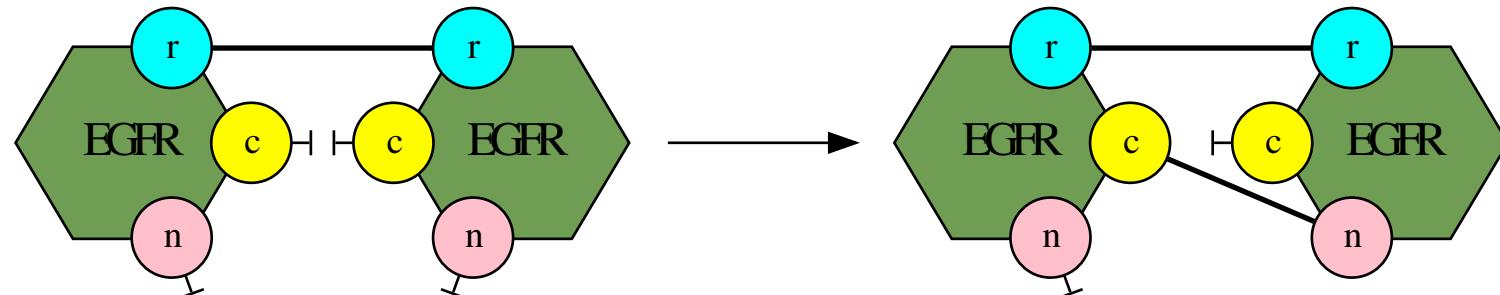


$$\text{EGF}(r[.]) , \text{EGFR}(l[.]) \longrightarrow \text{EGF}(r[1]) , \text{EGFR}(l[1])$$

# Asymmetric dimerisation

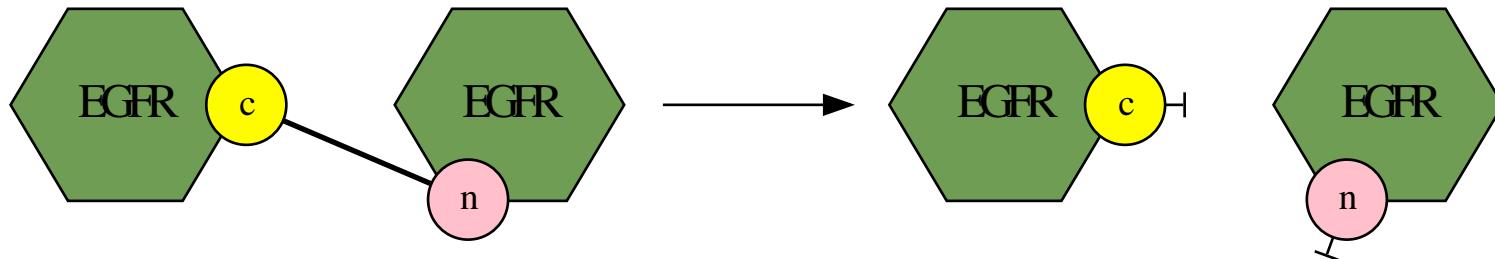


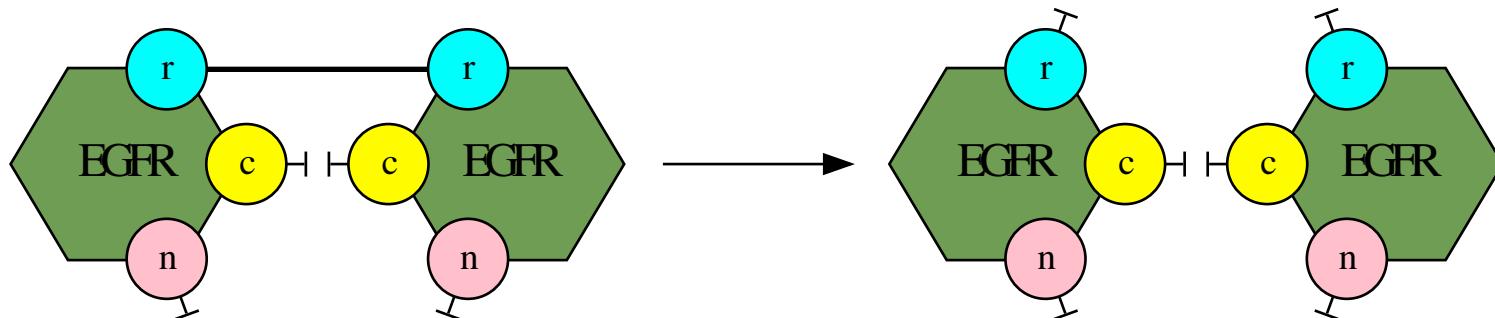
$\text{EGFR}(1[.], \text{r}[.]), \text{EGFR}(1[.], \text{r}[.]) \longrightarrow \text{EGFR}(1[.], \text{r}[1]), \text{EGFR}(1[.], \text{r}[1])$

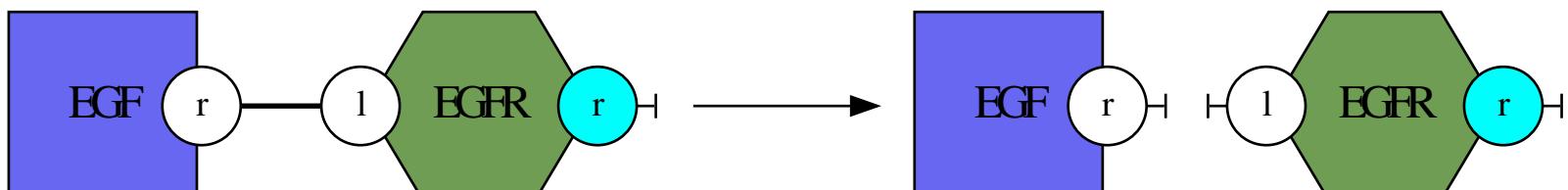


$\text{EGFR}(\text{r}[1], \text{c}[.], \text{n}[.]), \text{EGFR}(\text{r}[1], \text{c}[.], \text{n}[.]) \longrightarrow \text{EGFR}(\text{r}[1], \text{c}[2], \text{n}[.]), \text{EGFR}(\text{r}[1], \text{c}[.], \text{n}[2])$

# Sequential unbinding



$$\text{EGFR}(c[1]), \text{EGFR}(n[1]) \longrightarrow \text{EGFR}(c[.]), \text{EGFR}(n[.])$$


$$\text{EGFR}(r[1], c[.], n[.]), \text{EGFR}(r[1], c[.], n[.]) \longrightarrow \text{EGFR}(r[.], c[.], n[.]), \text{EGFR}(r[.], c[.], n[.])$$


$$\text{EGF}(r[1]), \text{EGFR}(1[1], r[.]) \longrightarrow \text{EGF}(r[.]), \text{EGFR}(1[.], r[.])$$

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# Main functionnalities

- Invariant inference;
- Dead rule identification;
- Non weakly reversible transition deterction;
- Detection of potentially unbounded polymers.

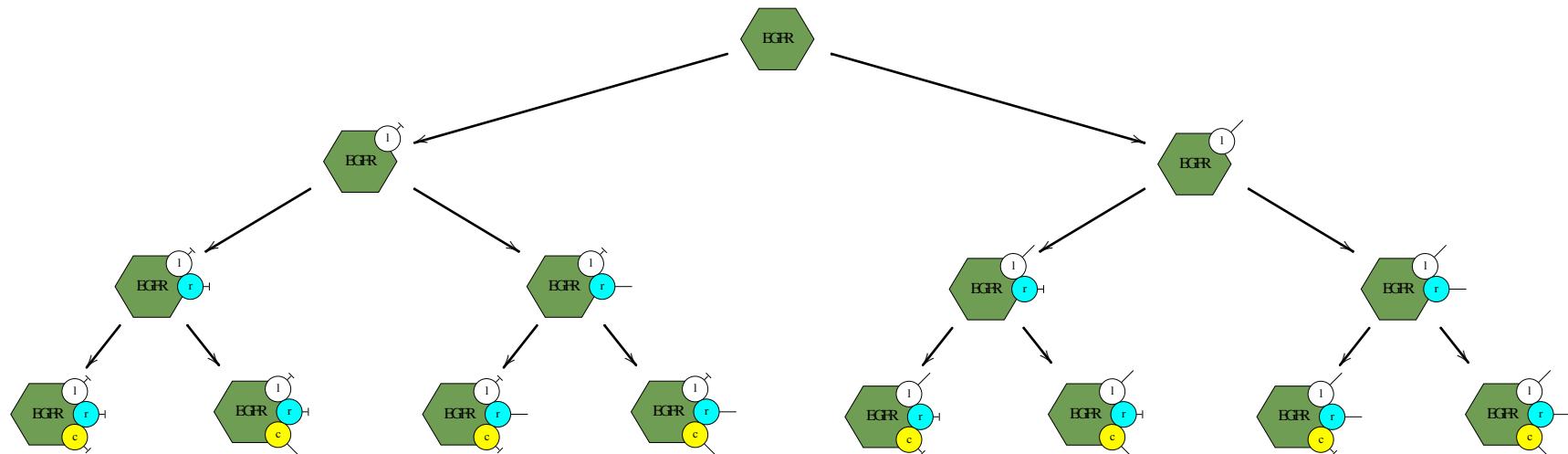
# Invariant inference: Motivations

Detect local invariants about bio-molecular compounds:

- Are there relationships between the states of sites?
- Are they transmembrane molecular compounds?
- May a given receptor simultaneously bound to two receptors?

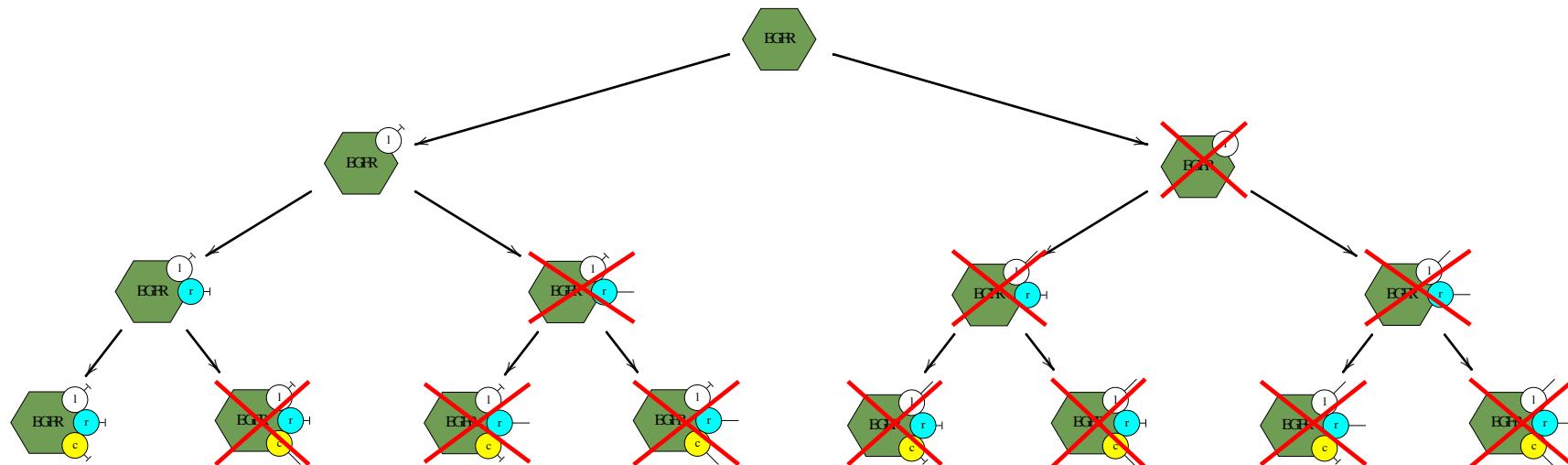
Core properties to be used in every further analyses.

# Invariant inference: Orthogonal refinements [SASB'16]



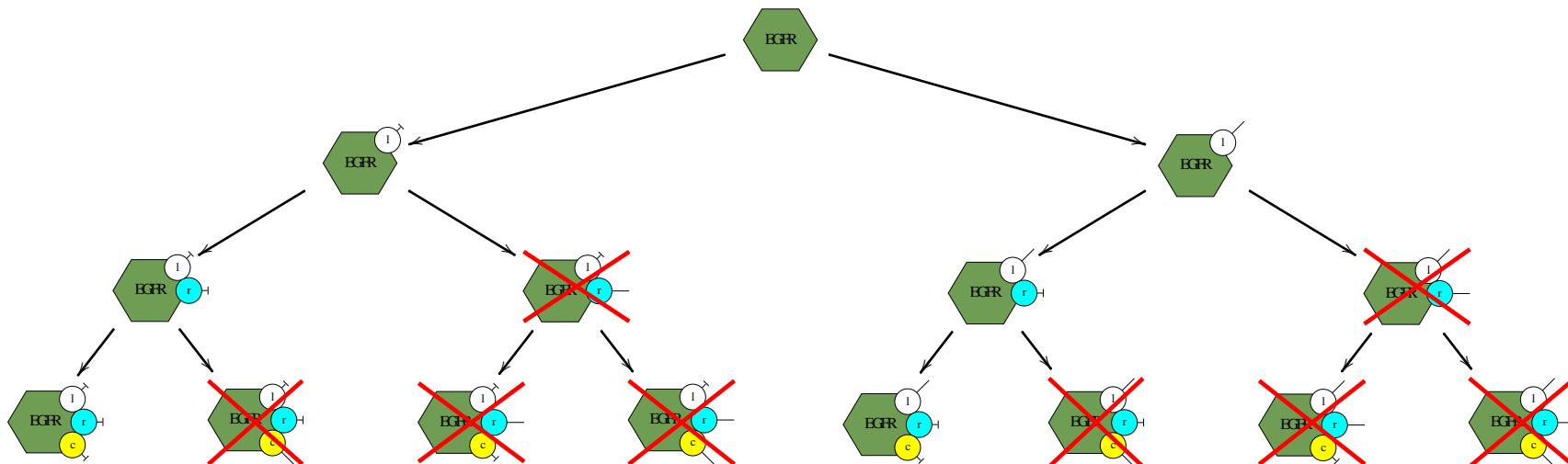
# Invariant inference: Initialization

We assume that every pattern not in the initial state does not occur.



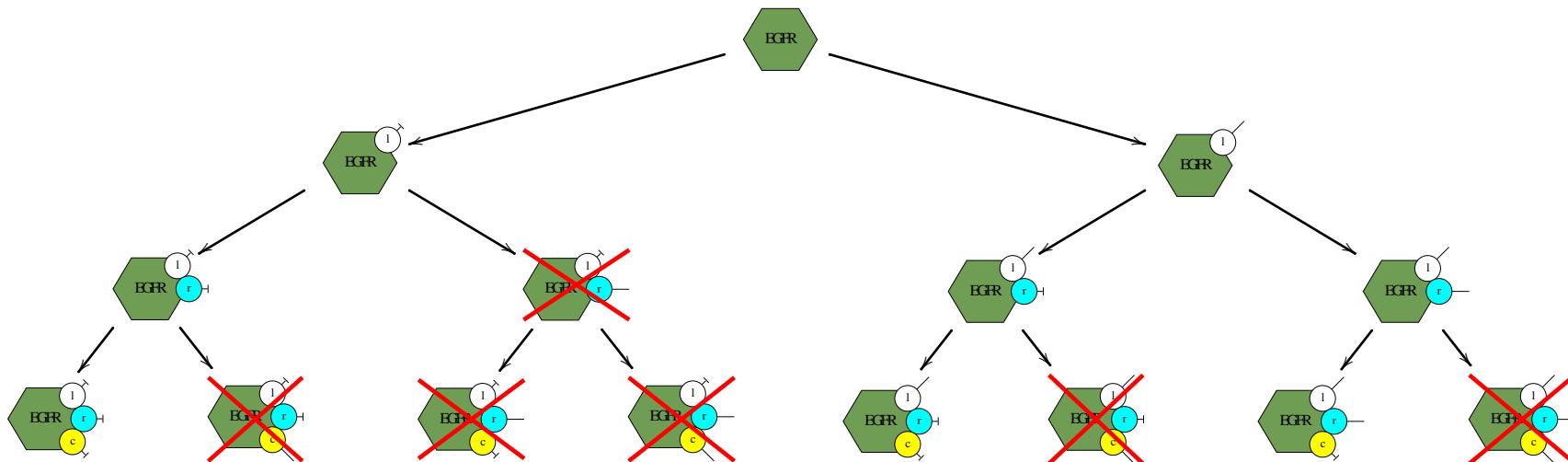
# Invariant inference: Induction (step 1)

The ones that can be obtained in one rule application may be reachable.



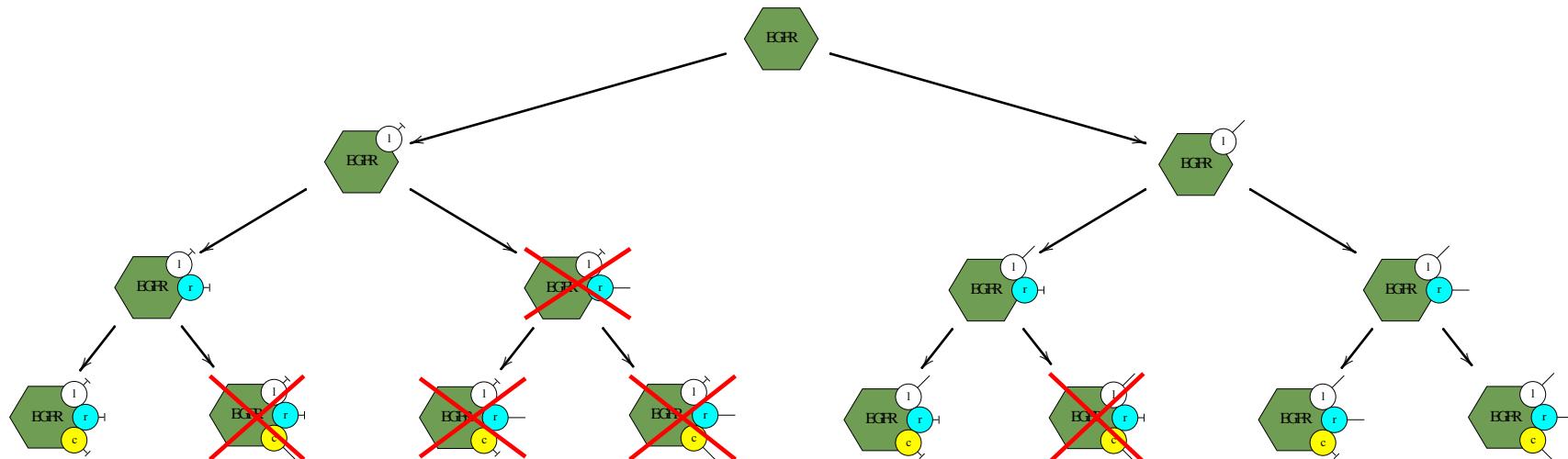
# Invariant inference: Induction (step 2)

The ones that can be obtained in one more rule application may be reachable.



# Invariant inference: Fix-point

Until we reach a fix-point.



# Invariant inference:

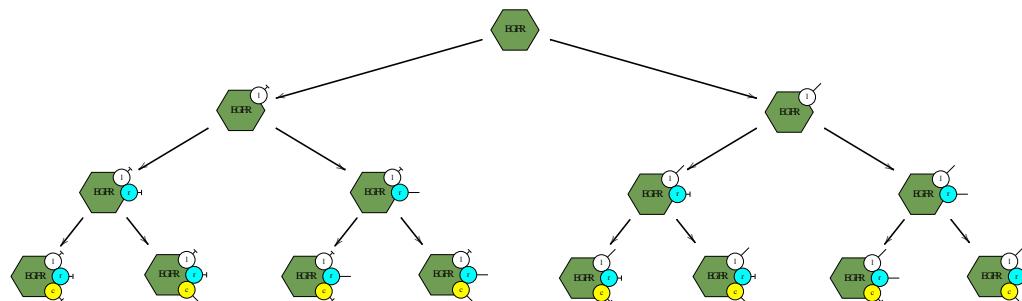
## 1. Accuracy:

Mutual induction over several orthogonal refinement trees  
(selected automatically by syntactic inspection of the model)

## 2. Scalability:

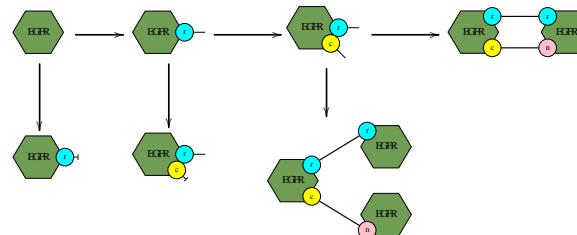
Each tree is:

- either complete



(efficiency relies on the use of BDDs)

- or a comb.



# Dead rule/pattern detection

## Motivations

Some rules are unreachable possibly because of:

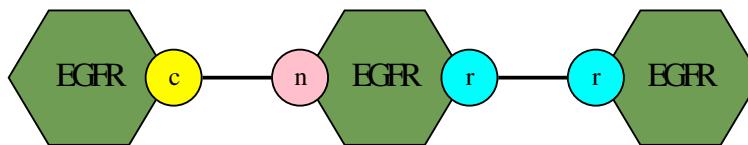
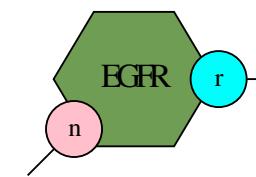
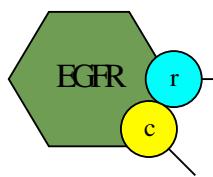
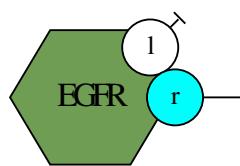
1. typos (or ambiguates ontology) on protein and/or site names;
2. missing parts in models;
3. unrealisable causality constraints.

KaSa uses the properties it has inferred to detect some patterns that are unreachable. Due to abstraction, the other rules are not necessarily reachable (maybe).

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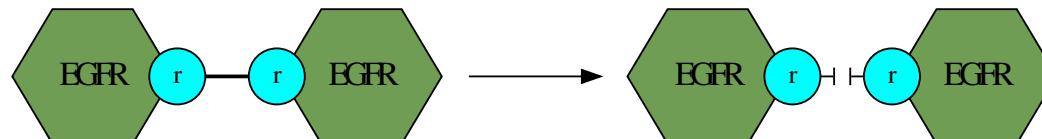
## Demo

Are the following patterns:



reachable?

What if we consider the following additional rule:



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# Non-weakly reversible transitions: Motivations

⇒ when after a transition there is no way for a protein to return to its previous configuration (in one or several steps).

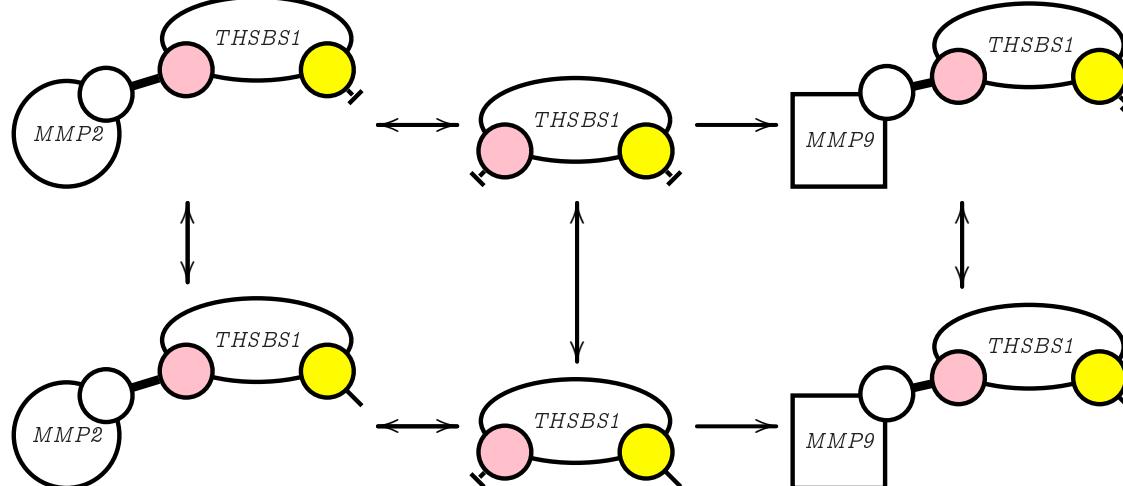
This may be due to:

1. definitive degradation of a protein  
(the model must be documented accordingly);
2. some reverse mechanisms may be missing  
(the model must be completed accordingly).

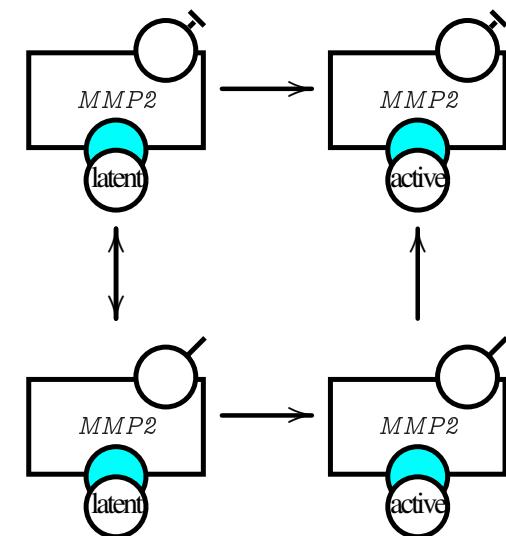
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# Non-weakly reversible transitions: Local traces [CMSB'16]

A local trace describes the potential transitions between the configurations of a given single protein.



Unbinding rules are missing.



Definitive degradation.

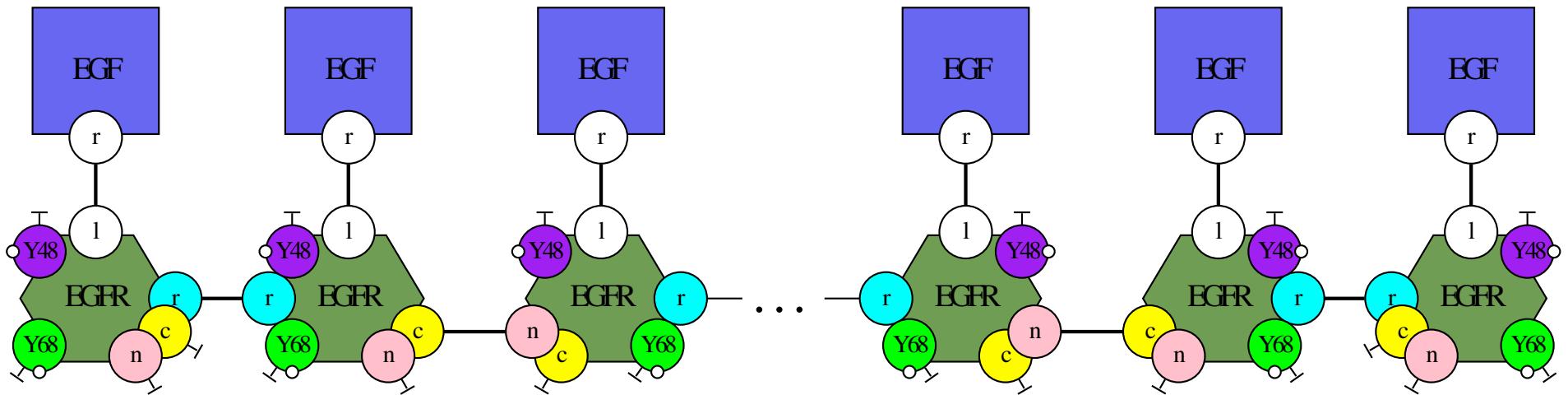
# Polymers: Motivations

Potentially unbounded polymers:

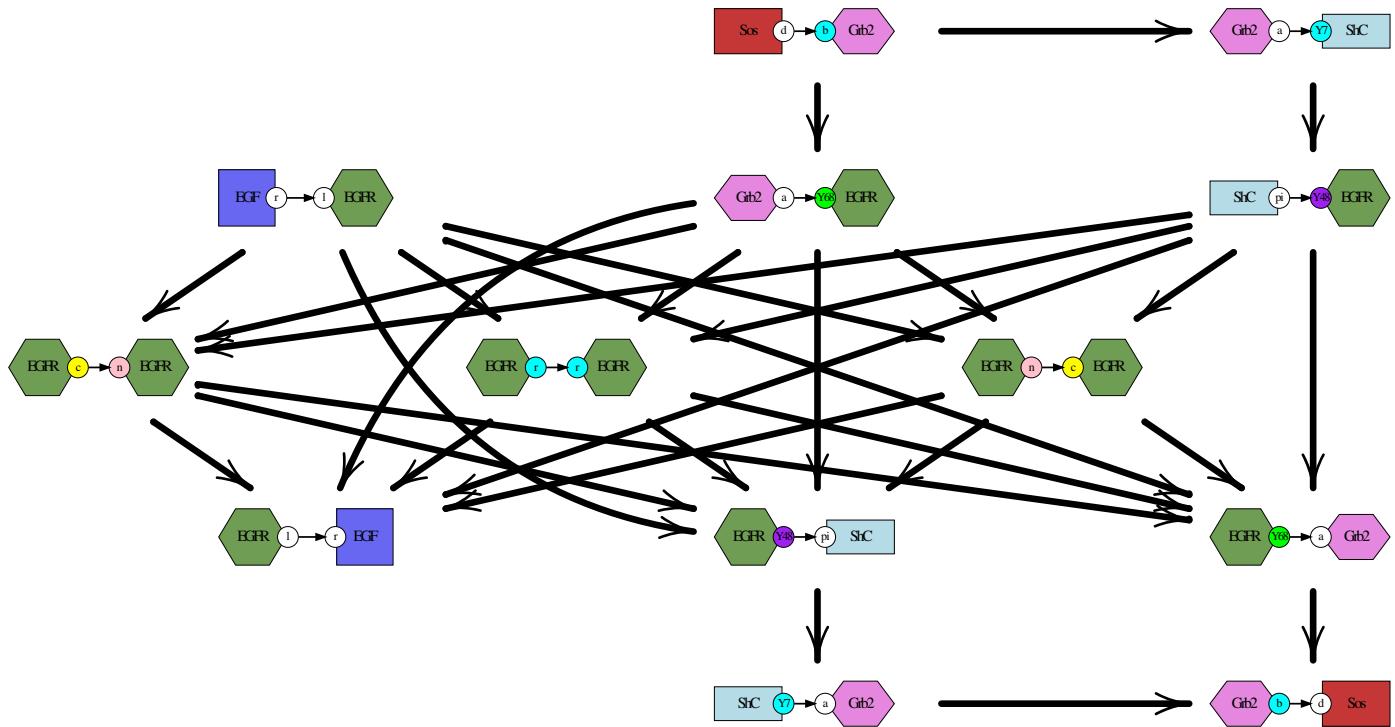
1. may naturally emerge in models with self-assembling of giant macro-molecules
  - DNA (Jean Krivine),
  - filaments (Nathalie Theret),
  - signalosome (Hector Medica Abarca);
2. may result of missing conflicts between bonds;  
often the case when the model is extracted from a more abstract description
  - Cell-Designer (Luca Grieco),
  - natural language processing (Sorger Lab)

# Polymers: Our goal

We want to prove the absence of unbounded polymers:



# Polymers: Graph of the links[SASB'18]



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# Benchmarks

model	Number of											Analysis time (second)												
	indirect influences					rules with non weakly rev. trans.					non weakly reversible transitions					local traces					all-in-one (at maxianl accuracy)			
egfr_net	39	17	0	0	0	764	280	280	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.02	0.04	0.02	0.04	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.02	0.05			
fceri_fyn	46	21	0	8	8	758	304	304	1	0	8	N/A	0.04	0.05	0.03	0.10	0.04	0.04	0.06	0.04	0.10			
fceri_fyn_lig	48	21	0	8	8	760	306	306	1	0	8	N/A	0.04	0.05	0.03	0.09	0.04	0.05	0.06	0.05	0.10			
fceri_fyn_trimer	362	22	36	96	96	59971	7405	6763	1	0	10	N/A	0.53	4.63	0.66	2.15	0.54	0.54	0.58	0.54	2.24			
fceri_fyn_gamma2	59	21	0	0	0	1464	518	518	1	0	8	N/A	0.06	0.10	0.04	0.15	0.06	0.06	0.08	0.06	0.16			
fceri_fyn_ji	36	16	0	0	0	536	231	231	1	0	8	N/A	0.03	0.02	0.01	0.06	0.03	0.03	0.05	0.03	0.07			
fceri_fyn_lyn_745	40	18	2	2	2	620	255	243	1	0	8	N/A	0.04	0.04	0.02	0.07	0.04	0.04	0.05	0.04	0.08			
fceri_fyn_trimer	192	19	0	0	0	21557	2536	2536	1	0	10	N/A	0.24	1.60	0.24	0.81	0.24	0.24	0.27	0.24	0.86			
sos	20	28	0	0	0	95	69	69	1	0	3	N/A	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.02	0.03			
machine	220	72	7	17	10	5319	2873	2735	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.77	0.13	0.10	1.05	0.76	0.77	0.97	0.77	1.22			
ensemble	233	86	0	1	1	4841	2936	2936	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.62	0.15	0.13	0.82	0.61	0.63	0.91	0.62	1.14			
korkut (2017/01/13)	3916	1289	1610	2016	2016	75563	75563	39280	1	1	131	131	14	2.49	2.71	16	14	14	14	14	18			
korkut (2017/02/06)	5750	2571	884	1397	1397	81412	75472	55101	1	1	2693	2687	94	4.01	4.16	94	96	115	99	114	119			
TGF (V19)	97	107	10	153	53	3471	3009	2631	1	1	78	74	0.24	0.09	0.09	0.47	0.23	0.25	0.37	0.25	0.63			
TGF (2018/04/19)	292	112	0	314	28	6040	5504	5504	1	1	108	108	0.89	0.18	0.19	1.36	0.86	0.90	1.25	0.92	1.73			
BigWnt (2015/12/28)	356	134	1	833	14	5974	5271	5264	1	1	49	49	3.99	0.16	0.16	4.47	3.98	3.96	125	4.00	127			
BigWnt (2017/03/22)	1486	182	12	61	16	1091187	38110	37958	1	1	84	80	15	26	5.15	25	15	15	260	15	286			

On a MacBook Pro, 3.3 Ghz intel Core.

# Kappa ecosystem

- Meta-modelling:
  - [KaMi](#), Harmer (2014-), Basso-Blandin (2014-15) Le Cornec (2015-), Légaré (2015-), Oshurko (2015-)
  - [Robin](#) and [Iota](#), Krivine (2014-) Adrien Husson (2014-)
- Static analysis: [KaSa](#), Feret (2006-), Lỳ (2015-17)
- Simulator: [KaSim](#), Krivine (2006-), Boutillier (2014-)
- Causality analysis: [KaStor](#), Feret (2006-)
- Trace query language: [KaTQL](#), Laurent (2018-)
- Network generation and model reduction: [KaDe](#), Feret (2006-)
- User interface: [KaUI](#), Boutillier (2015-)

Tutorialis and online tools available at:

<http://www.kappalanguage.org>

# Future developments

1. Domains for the detection of unbounded bio-molecular compounds.  
(Aurélie Faure De Pebeyre, AIV M1 internship)
2. Non local properties (based on Floyd-Warshall closure).  
Reasoning on polymers and molecular ambiguity.
3. Solver for algebraic equations over patterns.