

# Quantitative Bounded Model-Checking in Linear Time Logic FO-LTL( $\mathbb{R}_{lin}$ )

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  - Parameter optimization by evolutionary algorithm
  - Robustness measure

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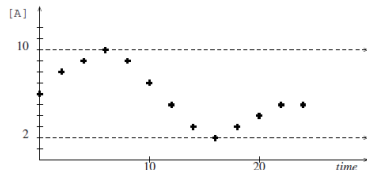
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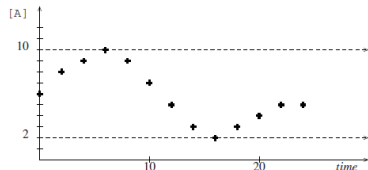
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# Yeast Cell Cycle Control [Tyson 91]

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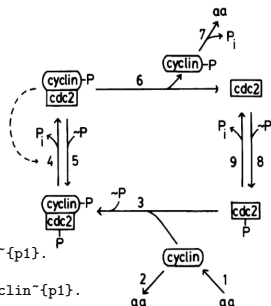
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parameter( $k_1$ ,0.015). parameter( $k_2$ ,0.015). parameter( $k_3$ ,200).

parameter( $k_4$ ,0.018). parameter( $k_4$ ,180). parameter( $k_5$ ,0).

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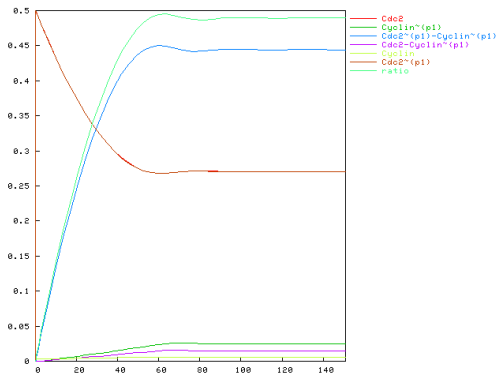
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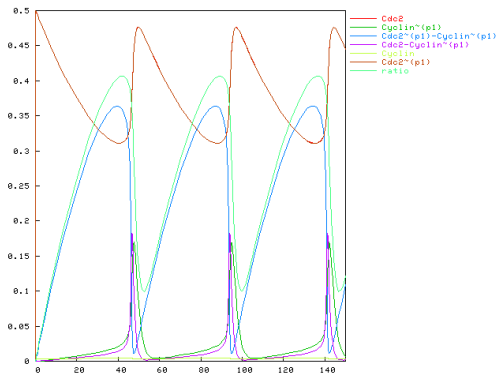
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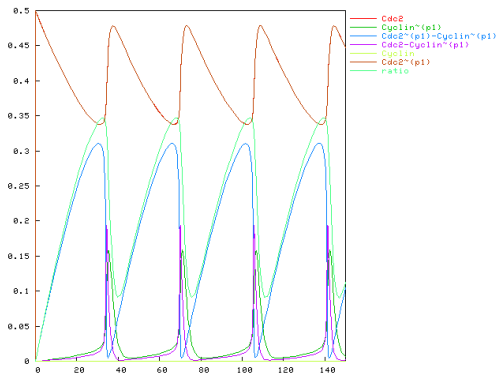
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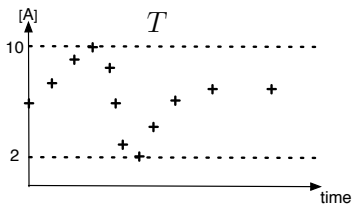
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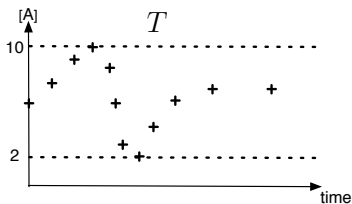
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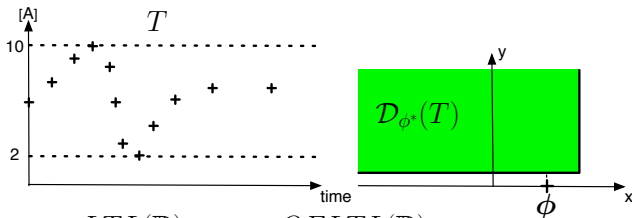
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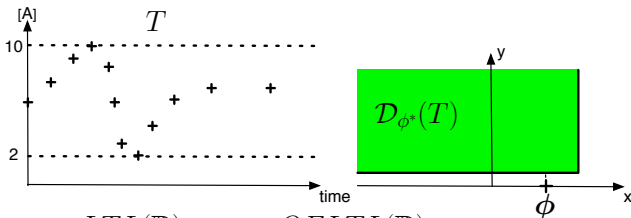
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For linear constraints over  $\mathbb{R}$ , validity domains can be represented as finite unions of polyhedra

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- union for disjunction,
- complementation for negation,
- projection for  $\exists$

BIOCHAM uses the Parma Polyhedral Library PPL

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```
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```

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Time elapsed : 48 ms
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```
domains(maxAmpl([MPF],[a])).
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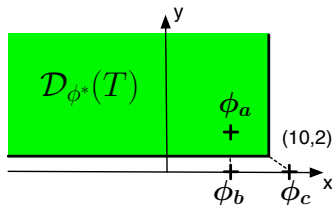
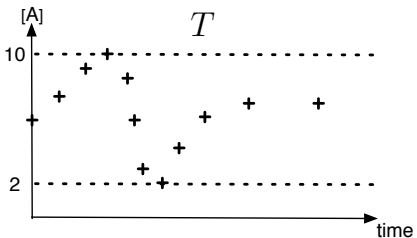
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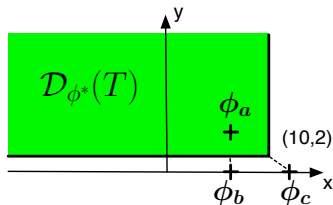
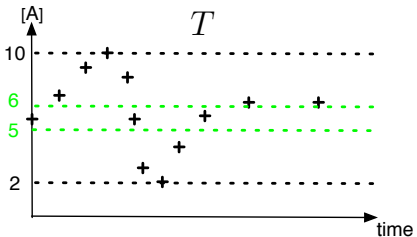
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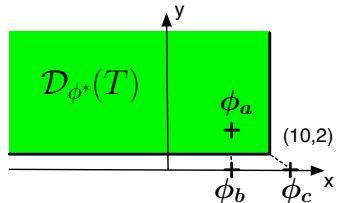
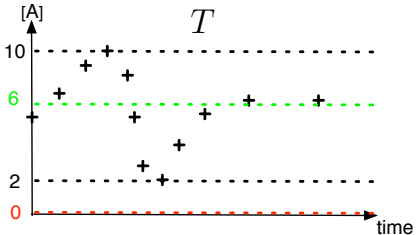
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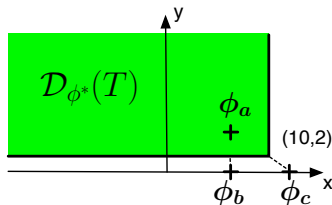
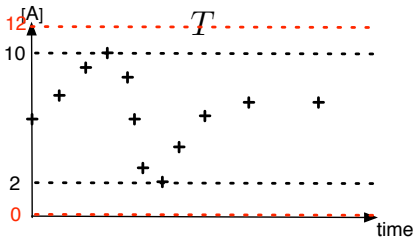
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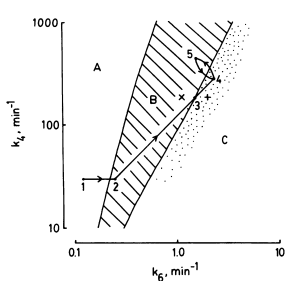
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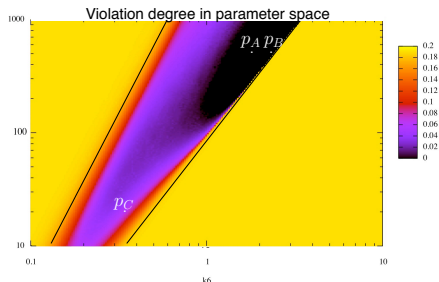
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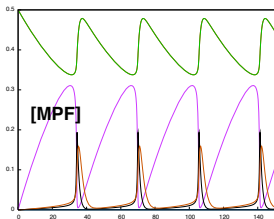
Bifurcation diagram



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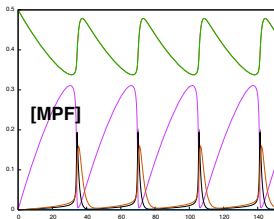
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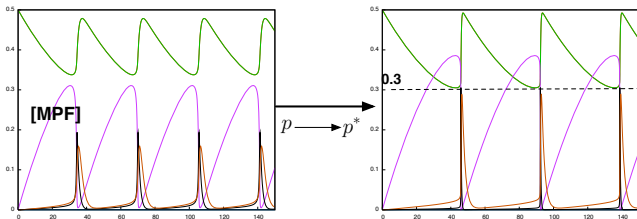


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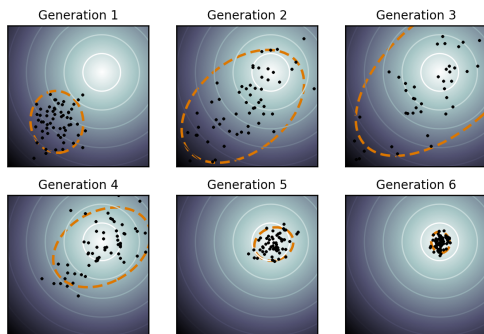
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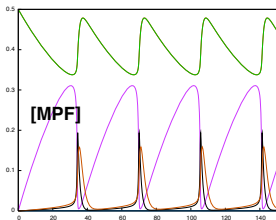
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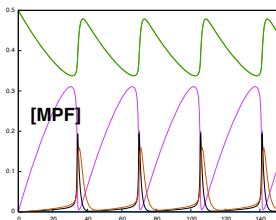
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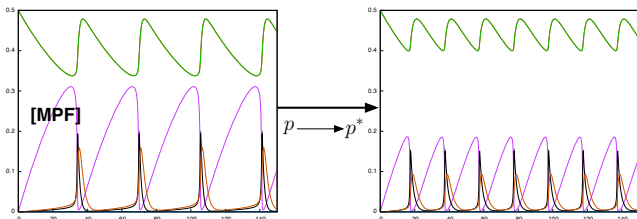
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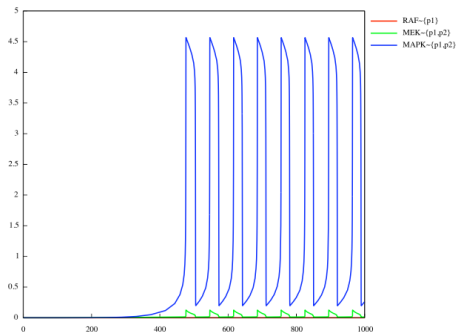


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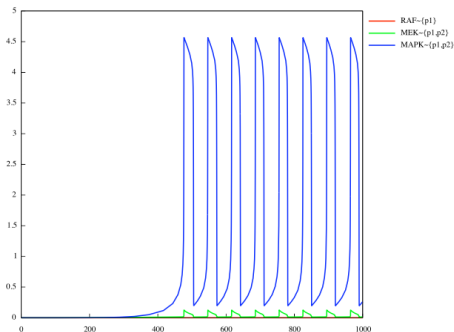
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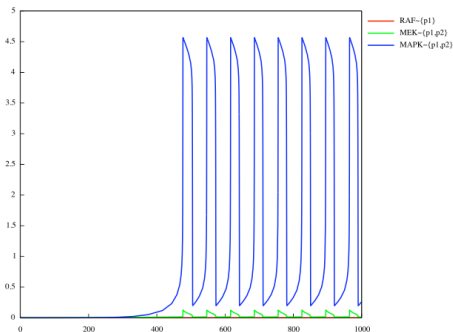
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where  $T(p)$  is the trace obtained by numerical integration of the ODE for perturbation  $p$

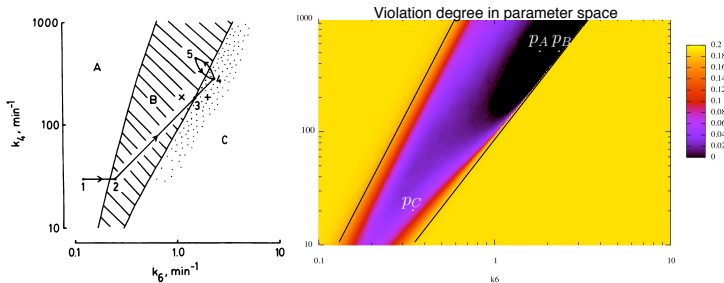
# Robustness analysis w.r.t parameter perturbations

Example with :

- cell cycle model [Tyson PNAS 91]
- oscillation of amplitude at least 0.2

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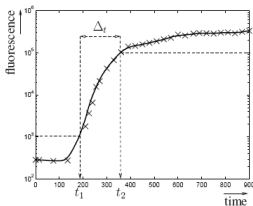
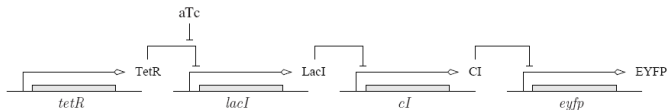
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# Application to Synthetic Biology in *E. Coli*

Cascade of transcriptional inhibitions added to *E.coli* [Weiss 05 pnas]  
**input** small molecule aTc **output** protein EYFP



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# TD9 Protocell optimization

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