

Software Environment and Technologies for Cell Physiological Modelling

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- Cybow Modeller
a software suite for cell modelling
- Cell Physiology Ontology (CPO)
ontology on physical quantities in cell physiology
- PEPML
a description format of experimental protocols

Cybow Modeller

- Software toolkit
 - Editors of cell models
 - Imports & exporters of other formats (inc. CellML)
 - Code generators



Component Editor

IKATP1.cmc - Cybow Component Editor

Component Name KATP_current

Description ATP-sensitive potassium channel current

Variable

R	Name	Symbol	Unit	Default	Concept	Desc
<input type="checkbox"/>	N	N		2.333E3		for ventricular cell
<input type="checkbox"/>	gamma	γ				conductan...
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Vm	V_m	mV			cell_mem...
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	EK	E_K	mV			potassium...
<input type="checkbox"/>	p_open	p(open)				open pro...
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	K_o	$[K^+]_o$	mM			external_...
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	ATP_i	$[ATP]_i$	mM			intracellul...

variable definitions

Equations

$$I_{KATP} = N \cdot \gamma \cdot (V_m - E_K) \cdot p(\text{open})$$
$$\gamma = 0.0236 \cdot [K^+]_o^{0.24}$$
$$p(\text{open}) = \frac{0.8}{1 + \left(\frac{[ATP]_i}{0.1} \right)^2}$$

equation definitions

Equation $p_{\text{open}} = 0.8 / (1 + (\text{ATP}_i / 0.1 [\text{mM}]) ^ 2)$

Description

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	K_o	$[K^+]_o$	mM		external_potassium_concentration	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	ATP_i	$[ATP]_i$	mM		intracellular_ATP_concentration	

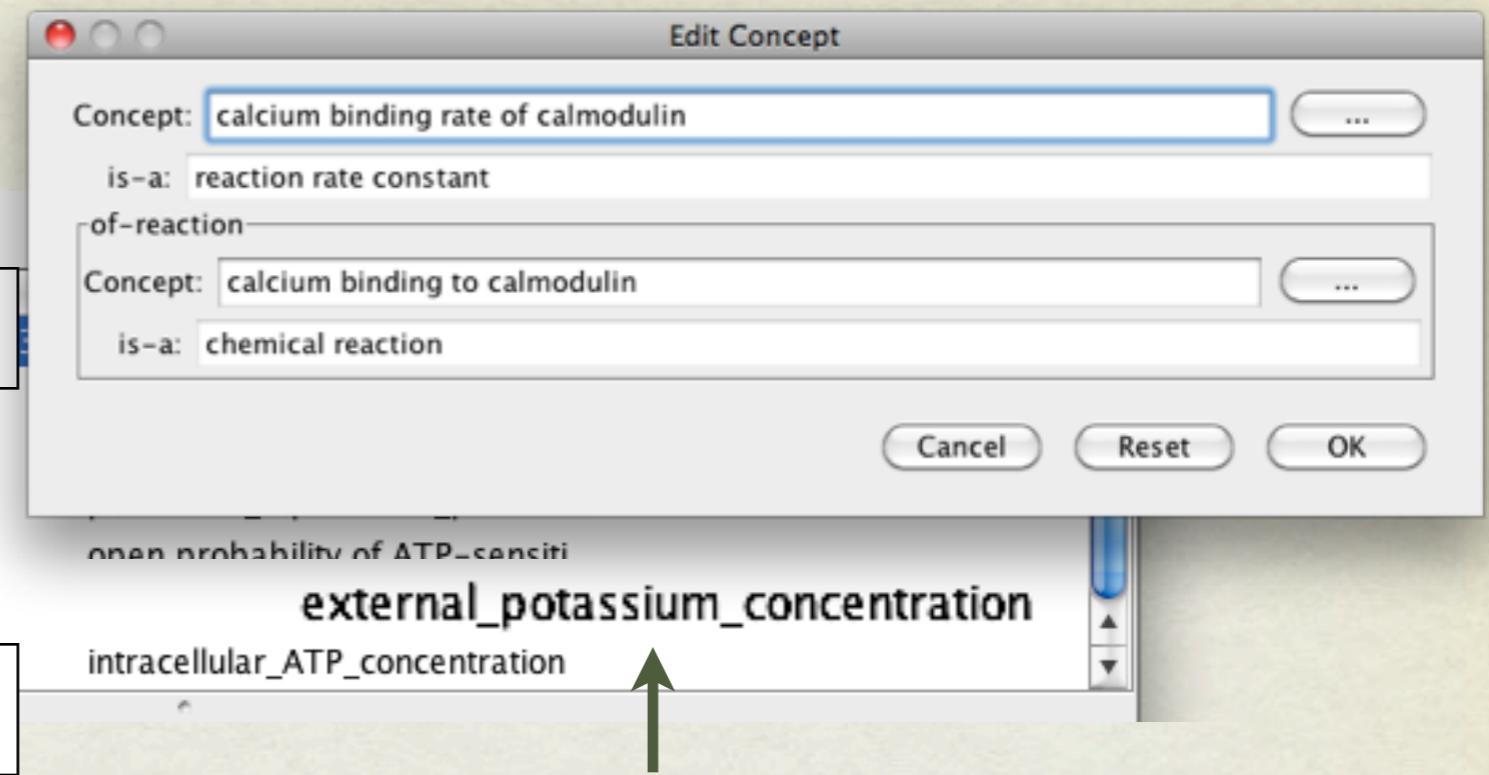
Component Editor

Variable definitions

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N	γ
<input type="checkbox"/>	gamma	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	V _m	E_m mV
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	E _K	E_K mV
<input type="checkbox"/>	n_open	(open)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	K _o	[K ⁺] _o mM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	ATP _i	[ATP] sub i

Graphic symbol



Component Editor

Equation definitions

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Equation

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Component Editor

Equation definitions

Graphic expression

Text input

Equations

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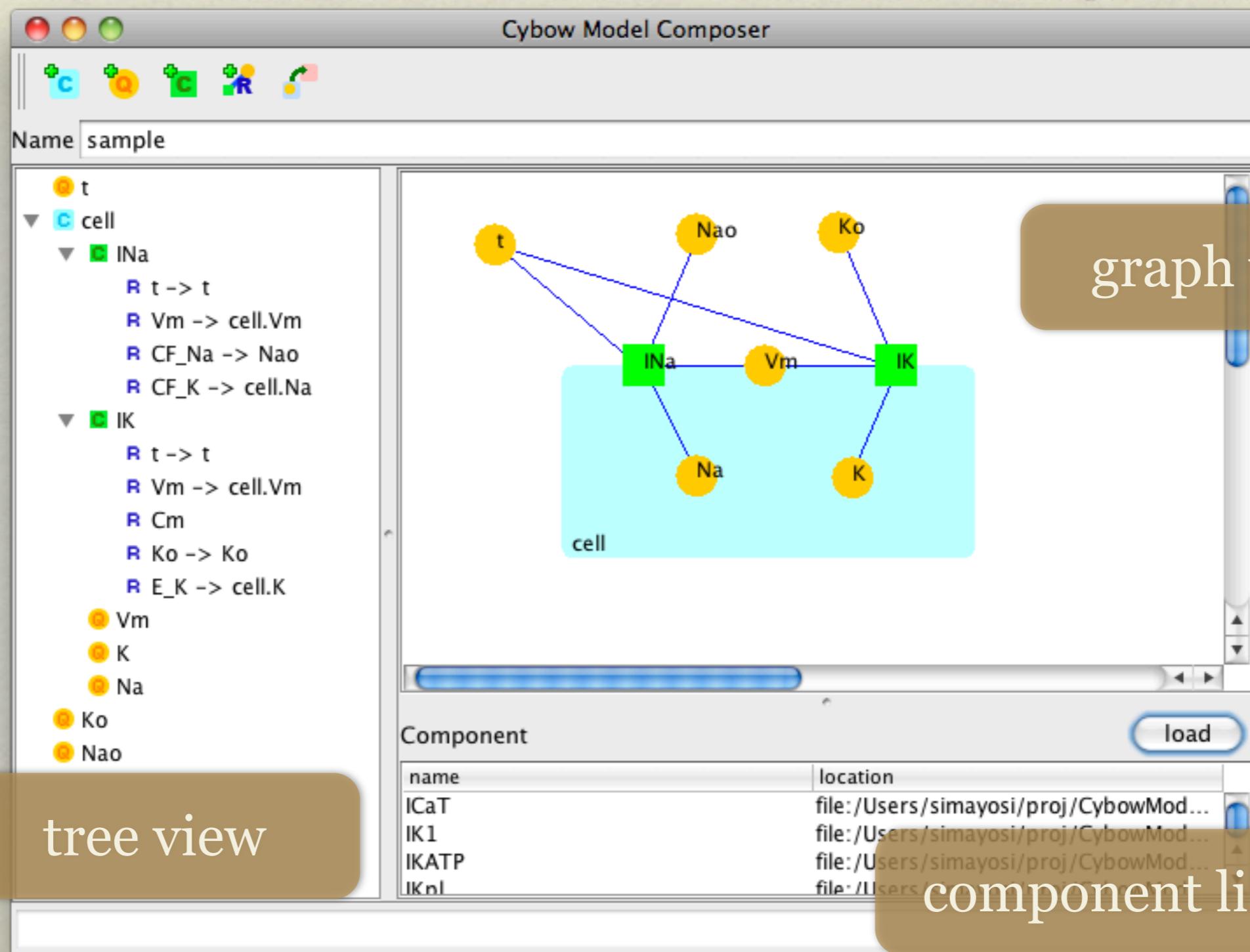
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Equation

Description

Model Composer



Model Composer

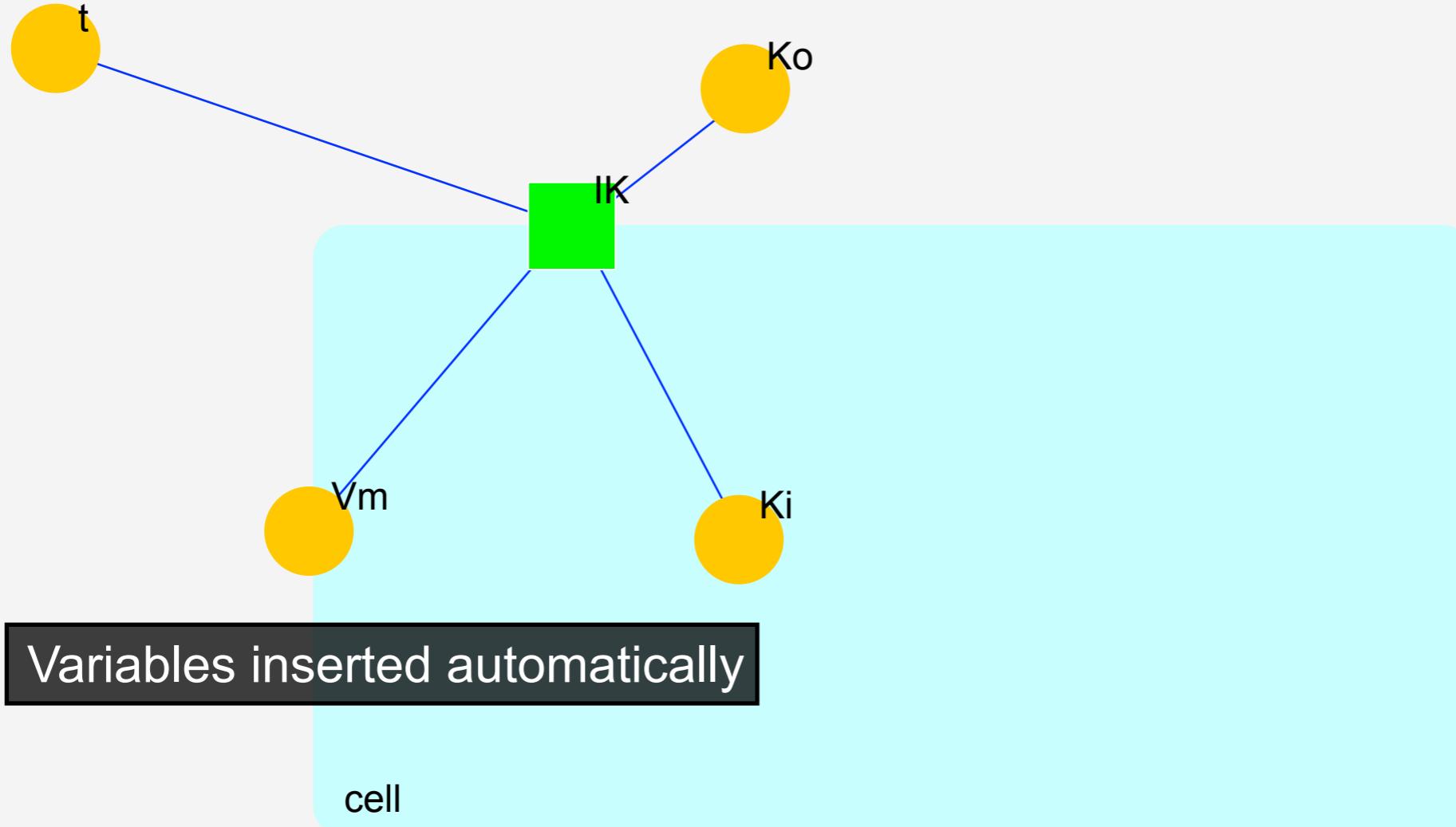
cell

Model Composer

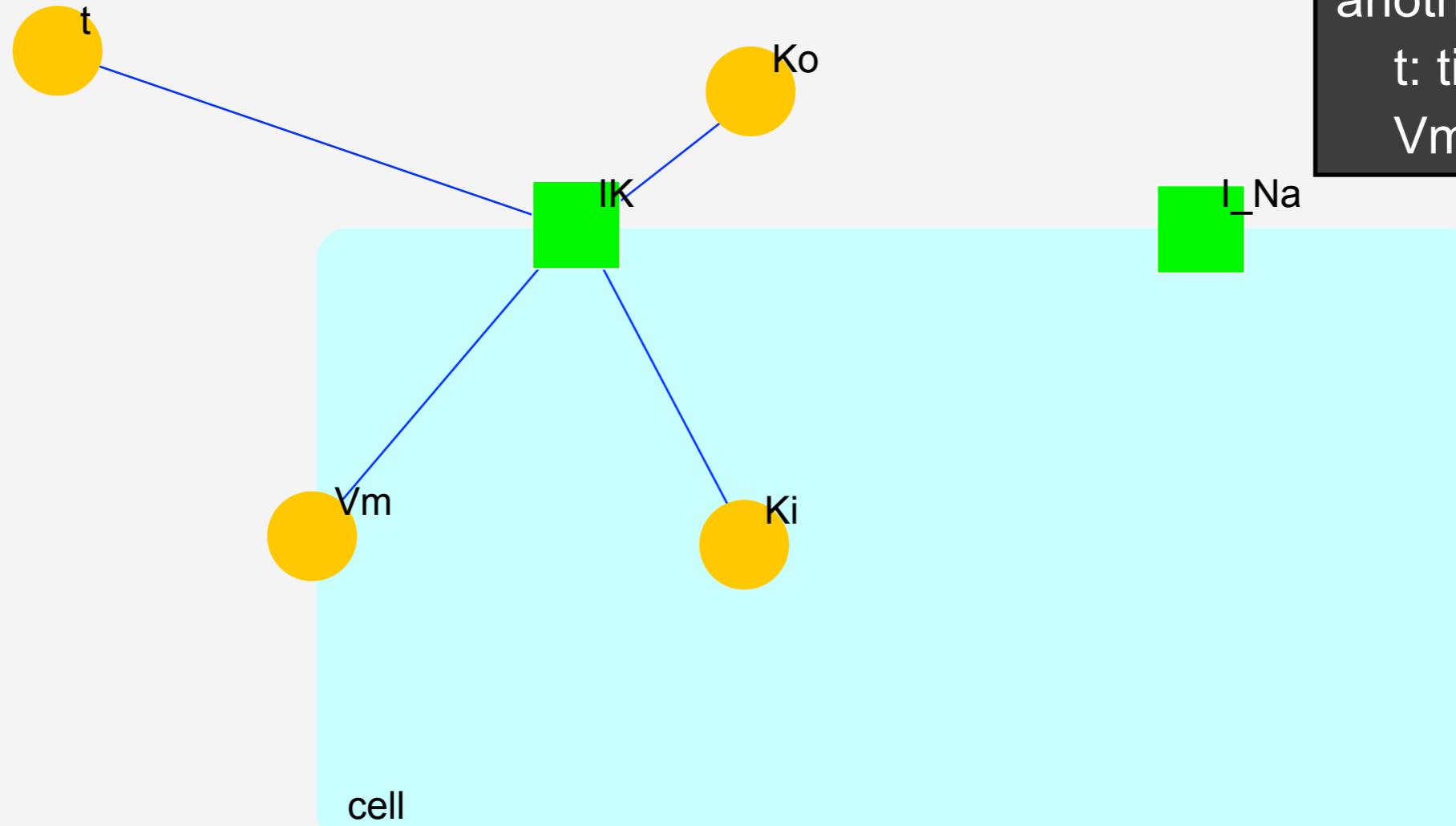


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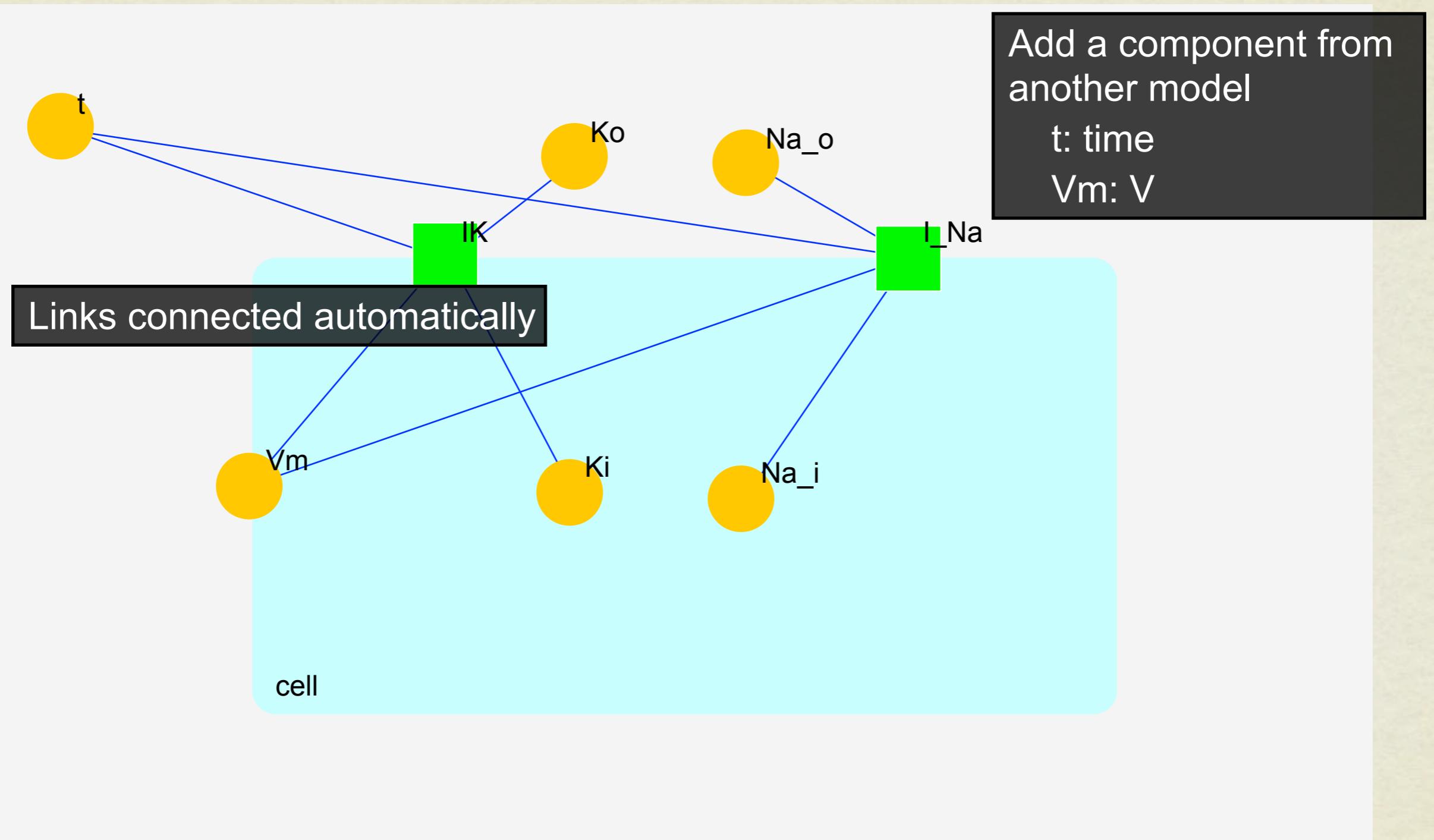


Add a component from
another model

t: time

Vm: V

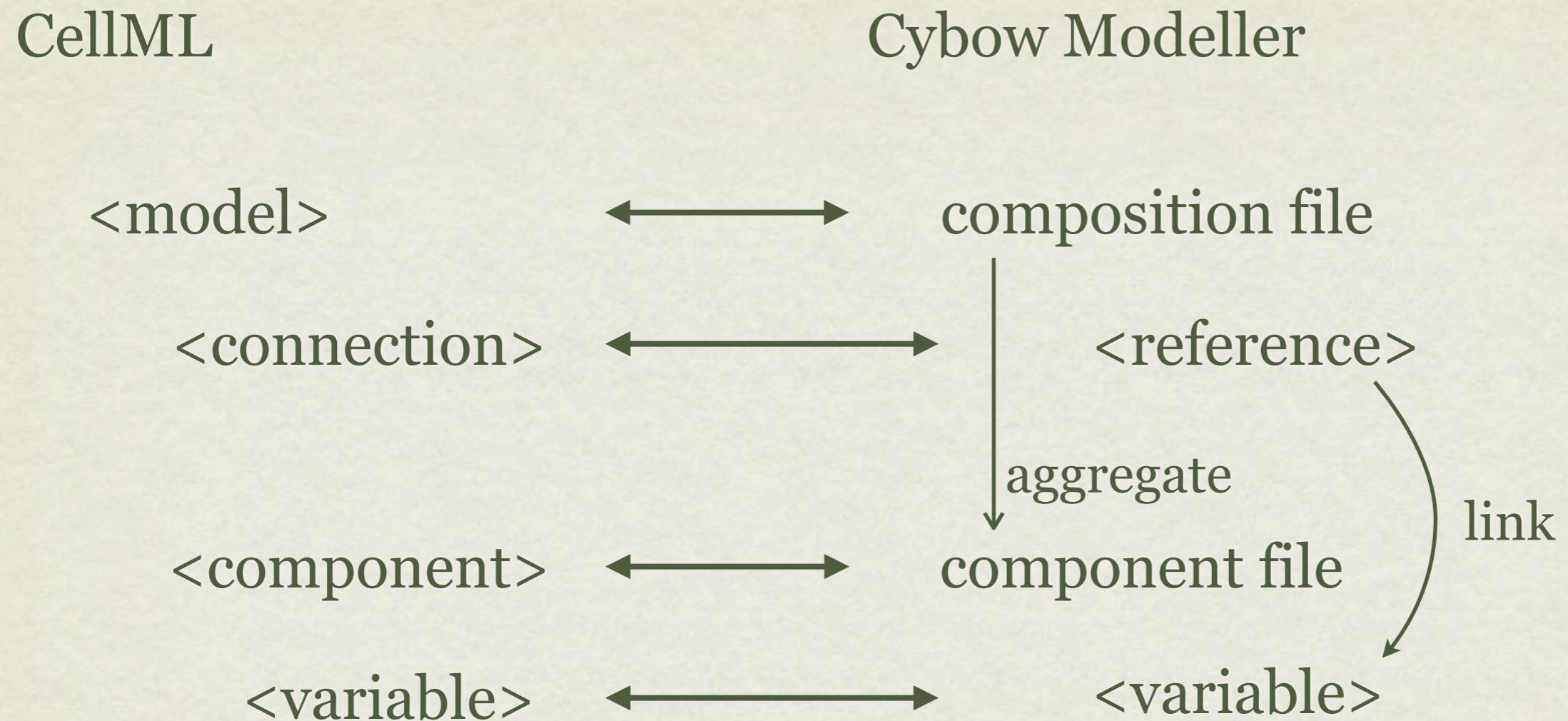
Model Composer



Tools for Computation

- Code Generator for time-series simulation
- Exporter of XPPAut ODE file for bifurcation analysis

Conversion with CellML



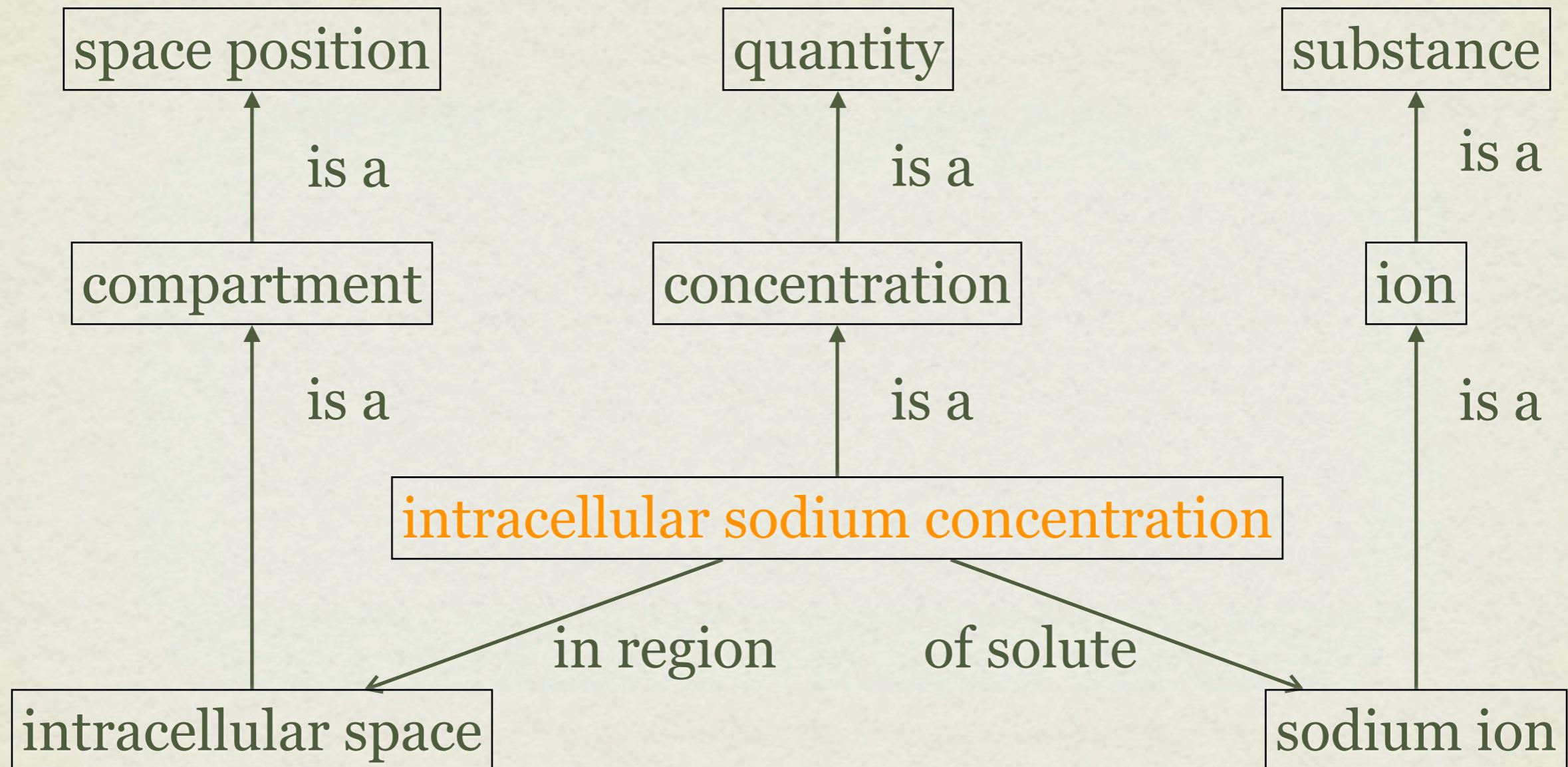
Availability

- Source codes of most tools are available at
<http://sourceforge.net/projects/cybowmodeller/>
- Other tools are in preparation for opening
 - Contact simayosi@astem.or.jp

Cell Physiology Ontology

- On physical quantities referred in cell physiology, e.g.
 - ATP-sensitive potassium current
 - intracellular sodium concentration
 - cellular contractile force

Concept Hierarchy



Definition Example

rapidly activating delayed rectifier potassium current

- is-a-subclass-of:
current by ion channel
- is-a-current-component-of:
delayed rectifier potassium current
- is-carried-through:
Kv11.1

Availability

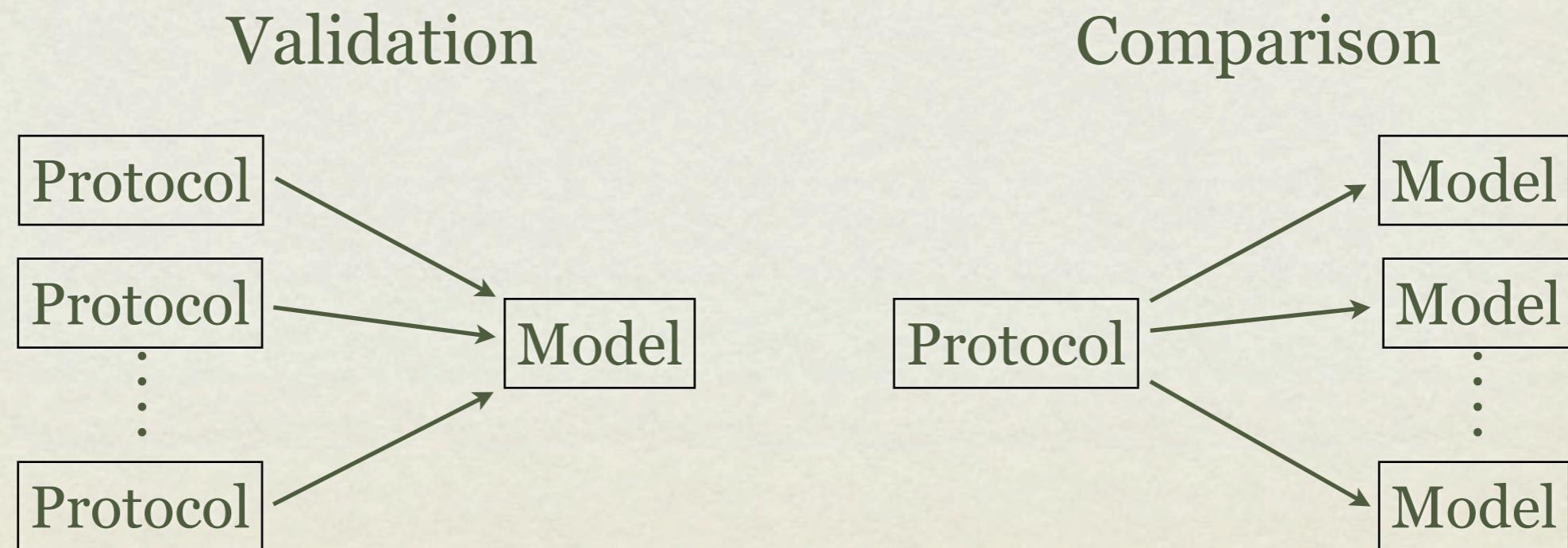
<http://cpo.dynabios.org/>

- Download OWL file
- Browse concepts using OWLDoc

PEPML

Physiological Experimental Protocol Markup Language

- XML-based format
- Specialised for explicit description of experimental procedures



Impossibility of Arithmetic Definition

- Example: muscle contraction

- Procedure

initially

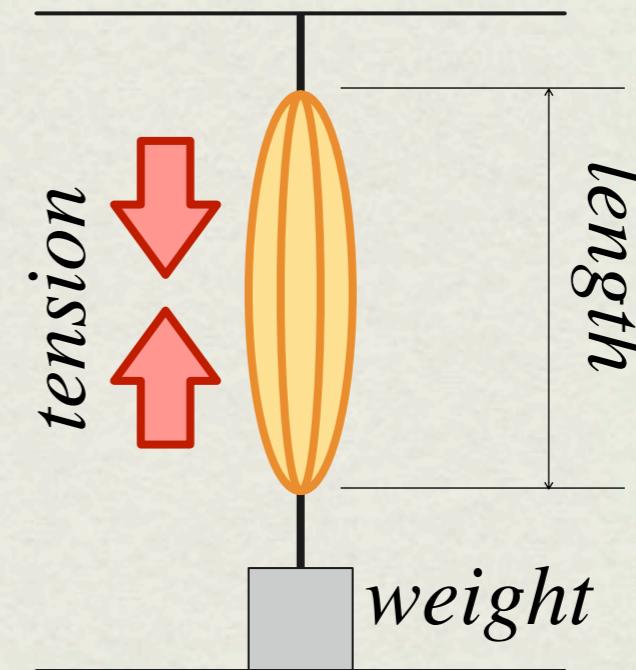
$length = initial-length$

after $tension \geq weight$

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after $length \geq initial-length$

$length = initial-length$



Example: periodic stimuli

```
<protocol ...>
  <event id="default">
    <condition>
      <literal type="bool" value="true" units="" />
    </condition>
    <action>
      <set_value><var id="Iext" rdf:type="&cpo;Injected_Current" /><literal value="0" units="mV" /></set_value>
    </action>
  </event>
  <event id="stimulus">
    <param name="stim_period" units="ms" />
    <param name="stim_duration" units="ms" />
    <param name="stim_onset" units="ms" />
    <param name="stim_amplitude" units="mA" />
    <define id="phase">
      <arg name="time" />
      <mod><ref name="time" /><ref name="stim_period" /></mod>
    </define>
    <condition>
      <and>
        <ge>
          <eval href="#phase"><var id="time" rdf:type="&cpo;time" /></eval>
          <ref name="stim_onset" />
        </ge>
        <lt>
          <eval href="#phase"><var id="time" /></eval>
          <add><ref name="stim_onset" /><ref name="stim_duration" /></add>
        </lt>
      </and>
    </condition>
    <action>
      <set_value><var id="Iext" /><ref name="stim_amplitude" /></set_value>
    </action>
  </event>
</protocol>
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$$I_{\text{ext}} := 0$$

if($t_{\text{onset}} \leq (t \bmod T_{\text{stim}}) < (t_{\text{onset}} + d_{\text{stim}})$) {

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parameter reference

parameters
function

function evaluation

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Current Status

- XML Schema definition (β) will be available soon
- Draft of specification will be prepared later