

# a high-level Petri nets library

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- ▷ define and handle Petri nets
- ▷ very general definition
- ▷ numerous extensions
  - read/inhibitor/whole-place arcs, ...
- ▷ annotations = Python expressions
- ▷ tokens = Python objects
- ▷ nets can be executed (fire transitions)

- ▷ extensible with plugins
- ▷ several plugins provided
- ▷ easy to add new ones
  - time Petri nets  $\leq 100$  LoC
  - nets-within-nets  $\leq 30$  LoC

- ▷ user-friendly modelling language
- ▷ algebra of coloured Petri nets
- ▷ Python-inspired syntax
- ▷ seamless integration of Python
- ▷ web-based interactive simulator

- ▷ pure Python library (works out of the box)
- ▷ free software (GNU LGPL)
- ▷ 81.5k lines of code
- ▷ maintained for 12+ years
- ▷ online doc  $\Rightarrow$  300+ unique visits / month

▷ utilities

ABCD

```
# shared buffer between producers and consumers
buffer bag : int = ()

net prod () :
# produces 10 tokens: 1..9 in bag
buffer count : int = 0
[count-(x), count+(x+1), bag+(x) if x < 10] * [count

net odd () :
# consumes odd tokens in bag
[bag-(x) if (x % 2) == 1] * [False]

net even () :
# consumes even tokens in bag
[bag-(x) if (x % 2) == 0] * [False]

# main process with one instance of each net
odd() | even() | prod()
```

Tree

```
• buffer bag = {}
• odd()
  ◦ [bag-(x) if (x % 2) == 1]
• even()
  ◦ [bag-(x) if (x % 2) == 0]
• prod()
  ◦ buffer count = {0}
  ◦ [count-(x), count+(x+1), bag+(x) if x < 10]
    {x->0}
  ◦ [count-(x) if x == 10]
```

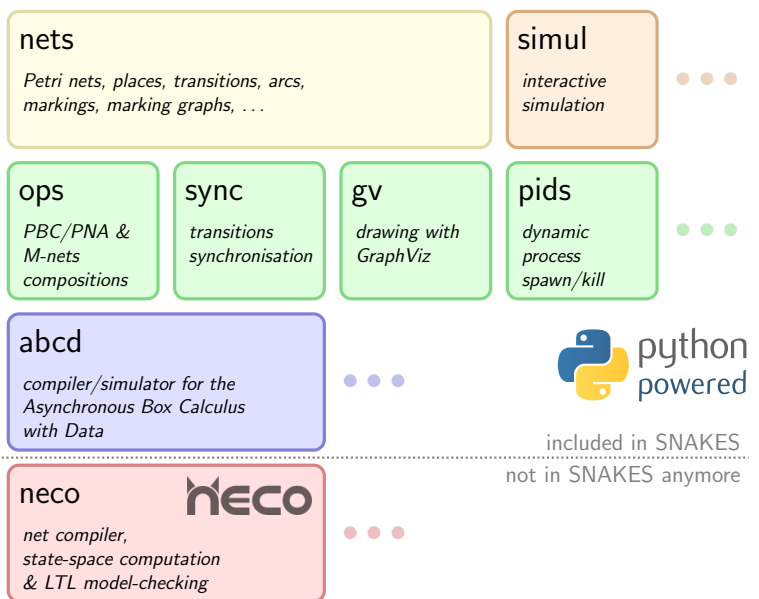
#	Action	Modes	States	Groups
0	init	0	0	←

core library

plugins

utilities

external tools



- ▷ Łukasz Fronc's companion tool
  - github.com/Lvyn/neco-net-compiler
- ▷ compiles nets into fast native code
  - per-net optimised marking structure
  - per-transition optimised firing
  - cannot optimise arbitrary Python code
- ▷ process-symmetries reductions (plugin pids)
- ▷ state space & LTL model-checking (using SPOT)
- ▷ awarded at the model-checking contest 2013

## SNAKES out of Python

- ▷ write a binding in Cython
 

```
# this is Cython code = Python + C types
cdef public int foo (...):
    # Python code using SNAKES goes here
```
- ▷ Cython compiles to C/C++ with a .h file:
 

```
// this is C/C++ code
extern int foo(...);
```
- ▷ use this API in your project

## SNAKES' future

- ▷ development name: ZINC
- ▷ Python 3 only (drop Python 2 support)
- ▷ net compilation at its heart à la Neco
- ▷ "any language"-coloured Petri nets
  - currently: Python, Go, CoffeeScript/JS
- ▷ even more general Petri nets definition
- ▷ cleaner, lighter, more modern

