

# Potentials of REALIST for Availability Modeling and Analysis

Availability Modelling Tools and Synergies for Collaboration Workshop  
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# Outline

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- Motivation for REALIST
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## Application Example – Production system

Boundary conditions:

- 9 different product variants
- Entire manufacturing process (15 process steps) including quality control and rework
- Reliability based on concurrent failure modes
- Maintenance process including preventive and corrective actions
- Several cost drivers e.g. material, energy, personnel, ...



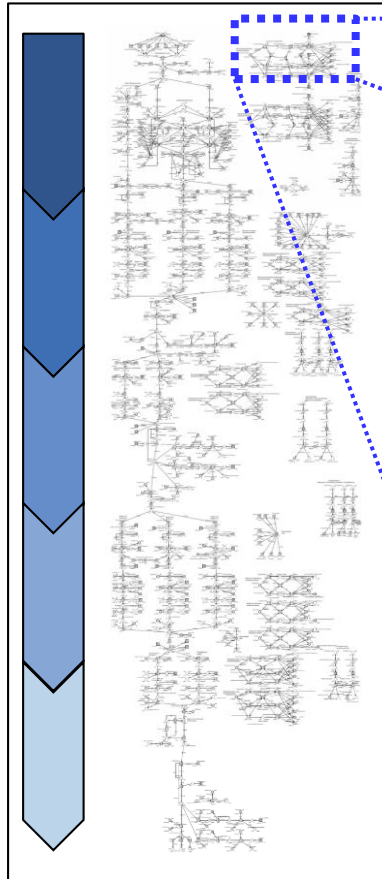
Production system: band saw blade fabrication

Main analysis objectives:

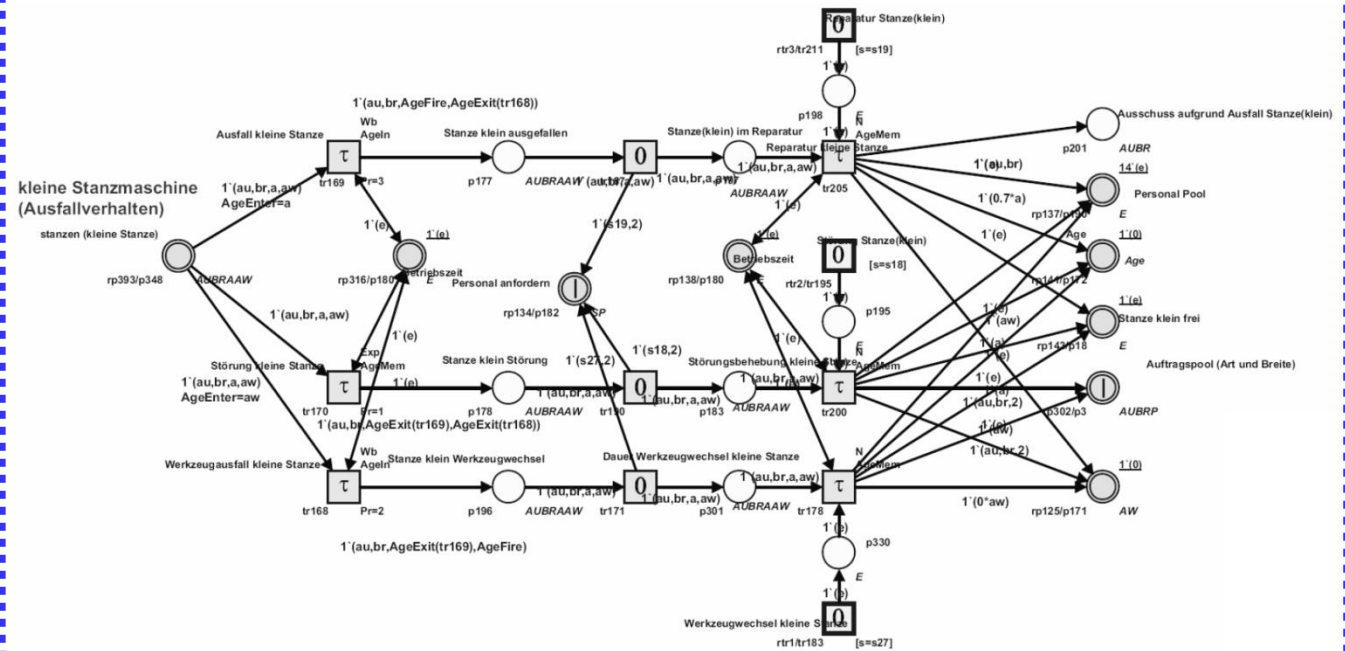
- Different maintenance strategies and costs
- Probability of shortfall for the production unit target (based on **availability**)

# System Model – Production system

## Entire model



## Reliability model of machine A



- ➡ 3 concurrent failure modes
- ➡ Initiation/administration of repair process

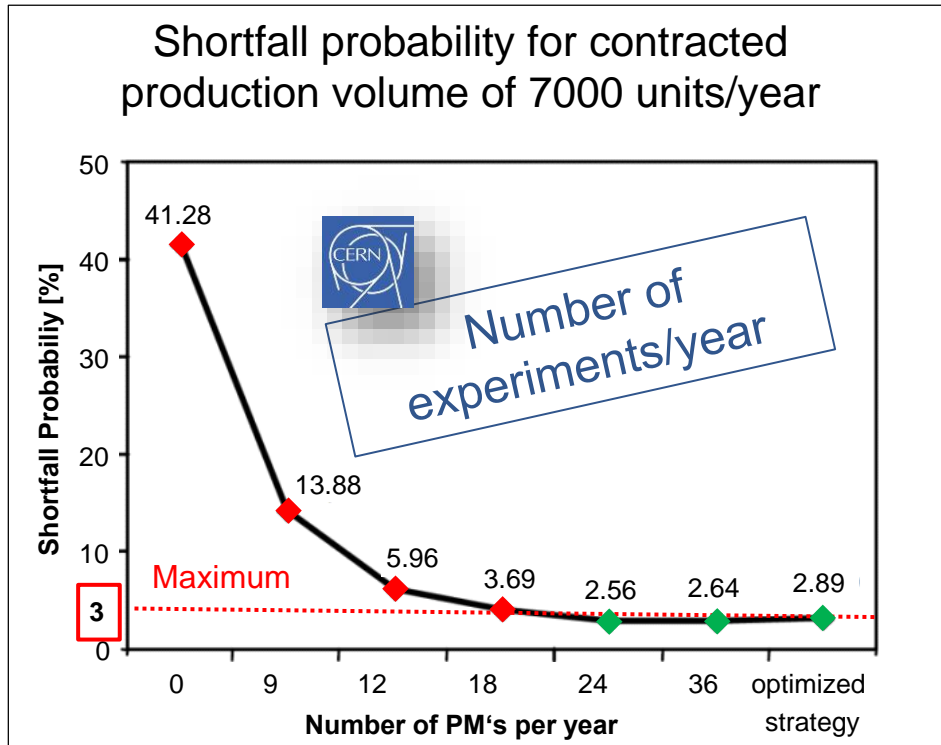
# Results – Production system

Main analysis results:

- Maintenance strategy
- Probability of shortfall for the production unit target (based on **availability**)



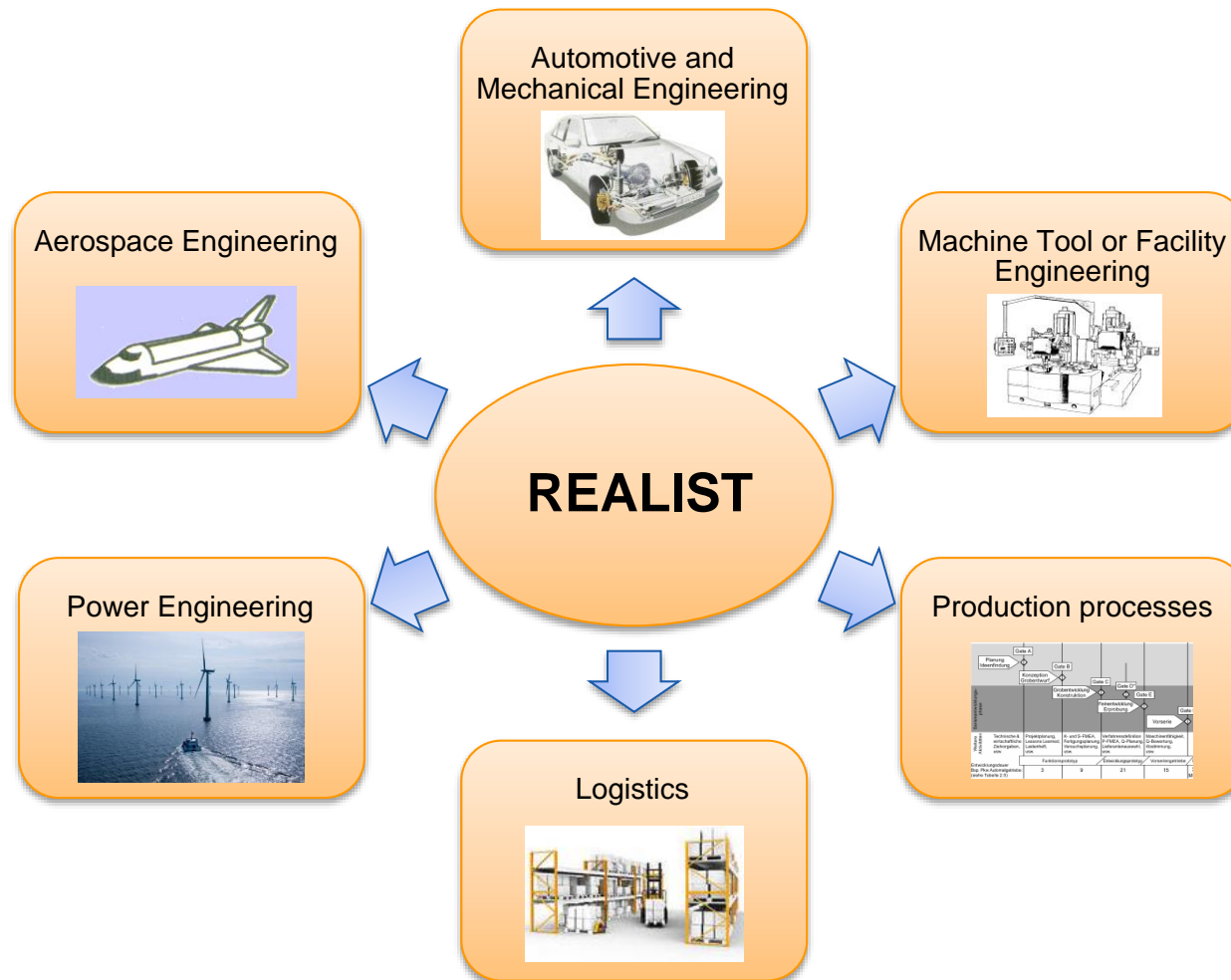
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Maintenance strategy and costs:

- ◆ Strategy “24” PMs: 562,170 €/year
- ◆ Strategy “36” PMs: 567,910 €/year
- ◆ “Optimized Strategy”: 557,200 €/year

# Range of Application



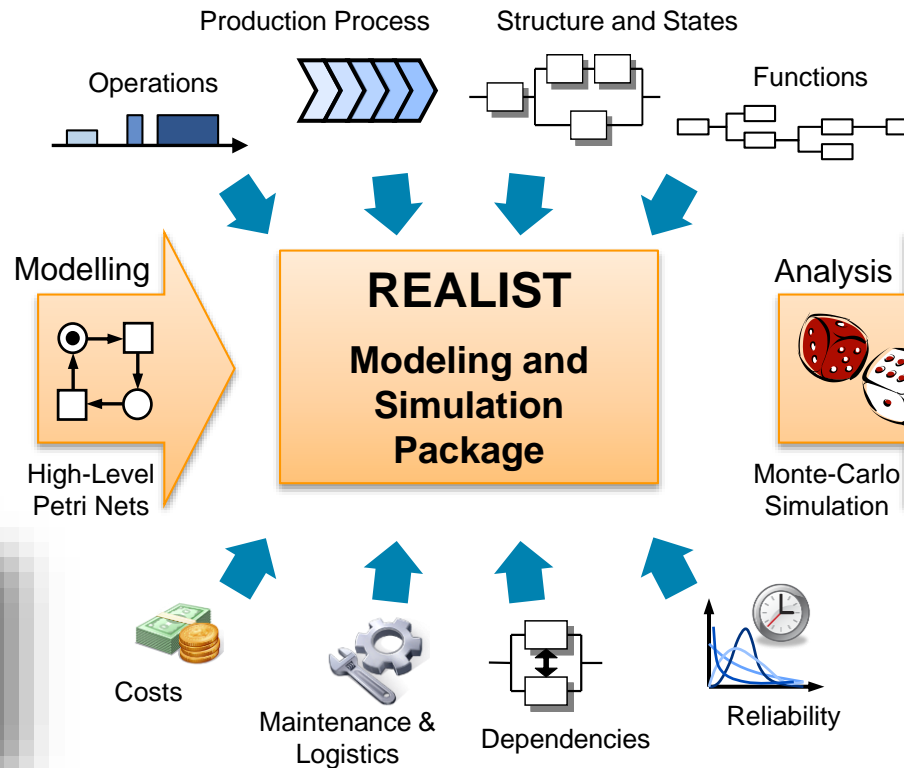
➔ From single components and process steps up to entire systems and overall processes

# Motivation for REALIST\*

## Various Applications



## Versatile Modeling Aspects



## Numerous Analysis Options

**Modeling and Analysis of Reliability and Availability of complex technical systems  
"without" any limitations!**

\*) REALIST = Reliability, Availability, Logistics and Inventory Simulation Tool

## Motivation for REALIST

- ➔ Prediction of operational availability
- ➔ Reduce the system downtimes by applying the optimal maintenance strategy and therefore reducing life cycle costs
- ➔ Close-to-Reality representation of a production system's behavior
  
- ➔ Decision between alternatives:
  - Operation strategy
  - Production process
  - System configurations
  - Reliability demands
  - Maintenance strategy
  - Logistics concepts

➔ **Necessary: Powerful methods for availability analysis and prediction**



# Performance

## Measures to support modeling:

- Decomposition
- Application of submodels
- Conjoint modeling

## Measures to reduce simulation time:

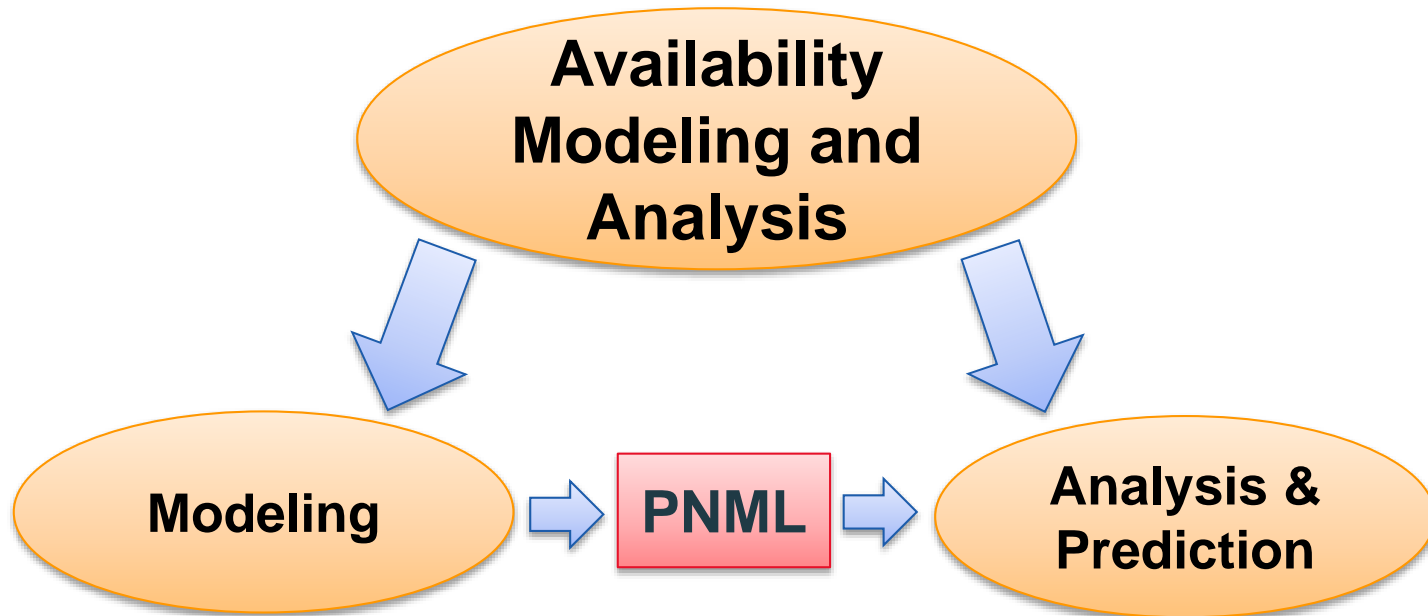
- Parallelization
- Focusing

## Future Topics:

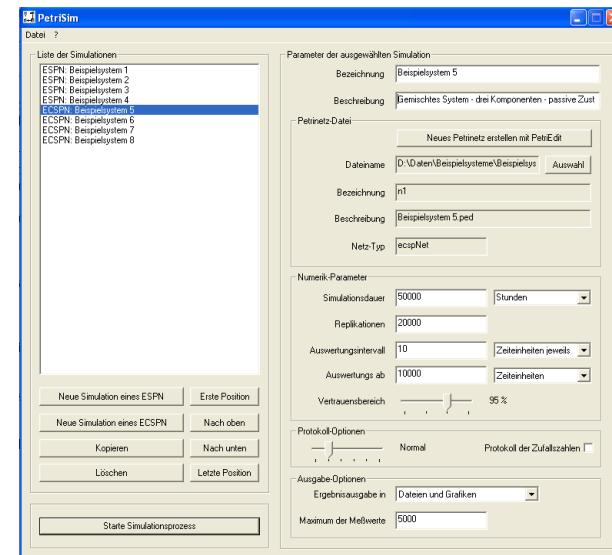
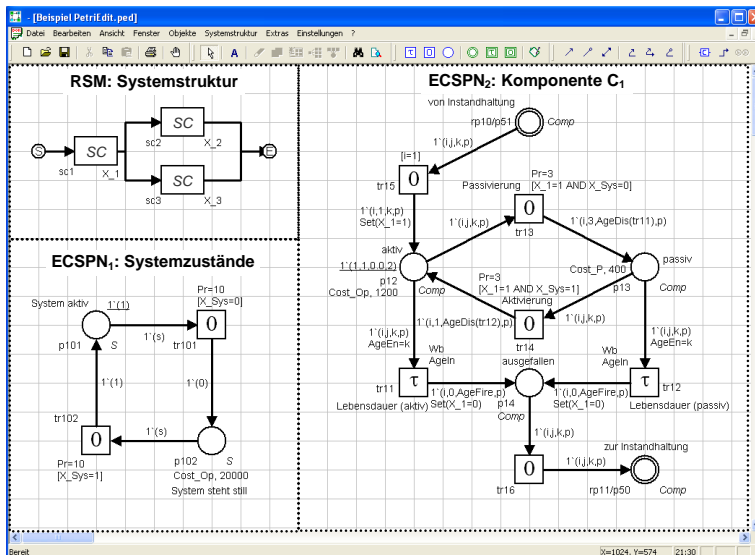
- Application of extended submodels
- Generic model design (automatic generation)
- Rare Event Simulation Speed-Up for ECSPN:
  - much more simulation runs for satisfying result -> significantly increasing computing time
  - RESTART algorithm: use structural information of RBD to automatically set thresholds



# Modeling and Simulation



# Modeling and Simulation Package REALIST: User Interface



- ➔ Creation of the system model as ESPN, ECSPN or CSM
- ➔ Modularization

- ➔ Management of simulation projects
- ➔ Automated implementation of simulation projects
- ➔ Analysis and processing of result data

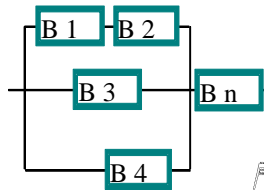
➔ **Comfortable development and efficient analysis of a system model**

# Overview and Comparison of Modeling Methods

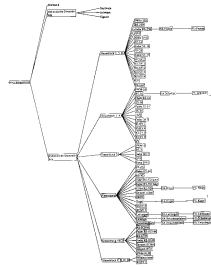
## Modeling methods

### Combinatorial Models

- Reliability Block Diagram

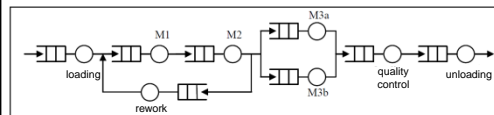


- Fault Tree



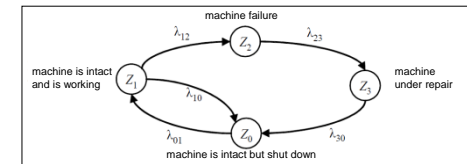
### Queue Oriented Models

- Queues

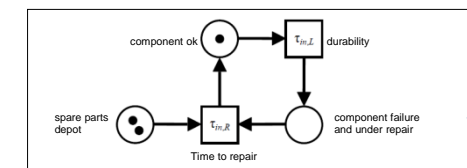


### State-Space Oriented Models

- Markov State Graphs

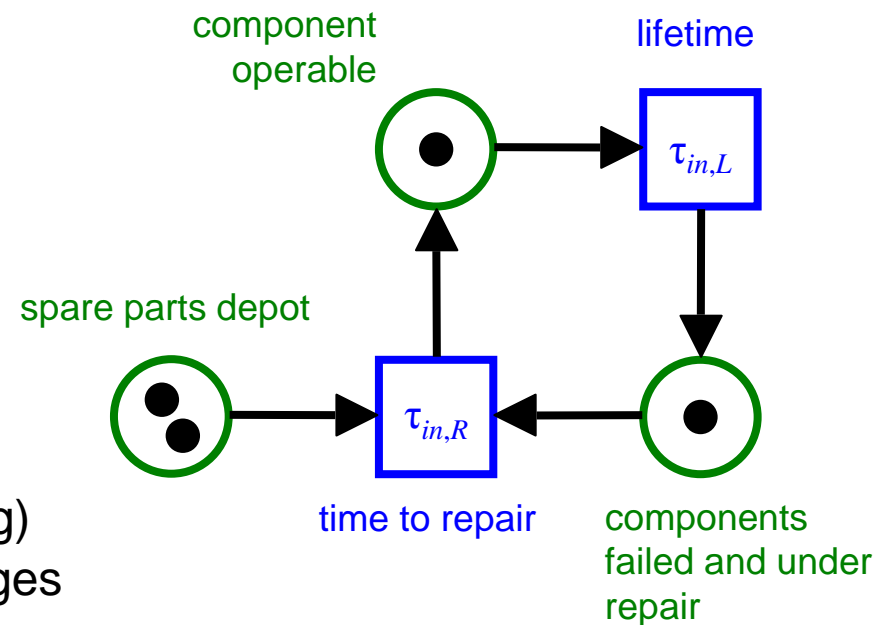


- Petri Nets



# Extended Stochastic Petri Pet (ESPN)

- ➔ Static elements
  - Places (States, Objects)
  - Transitions (Time & Logic)
  - Arcs (Relations, Structure)
- ➔ Dynamical description
  - Marking
  - Activation (or deactivation)
  - Switching
- ➔ Initial marking
- ➔ Sequence of activating (or deactivating) and switching results in marking changes

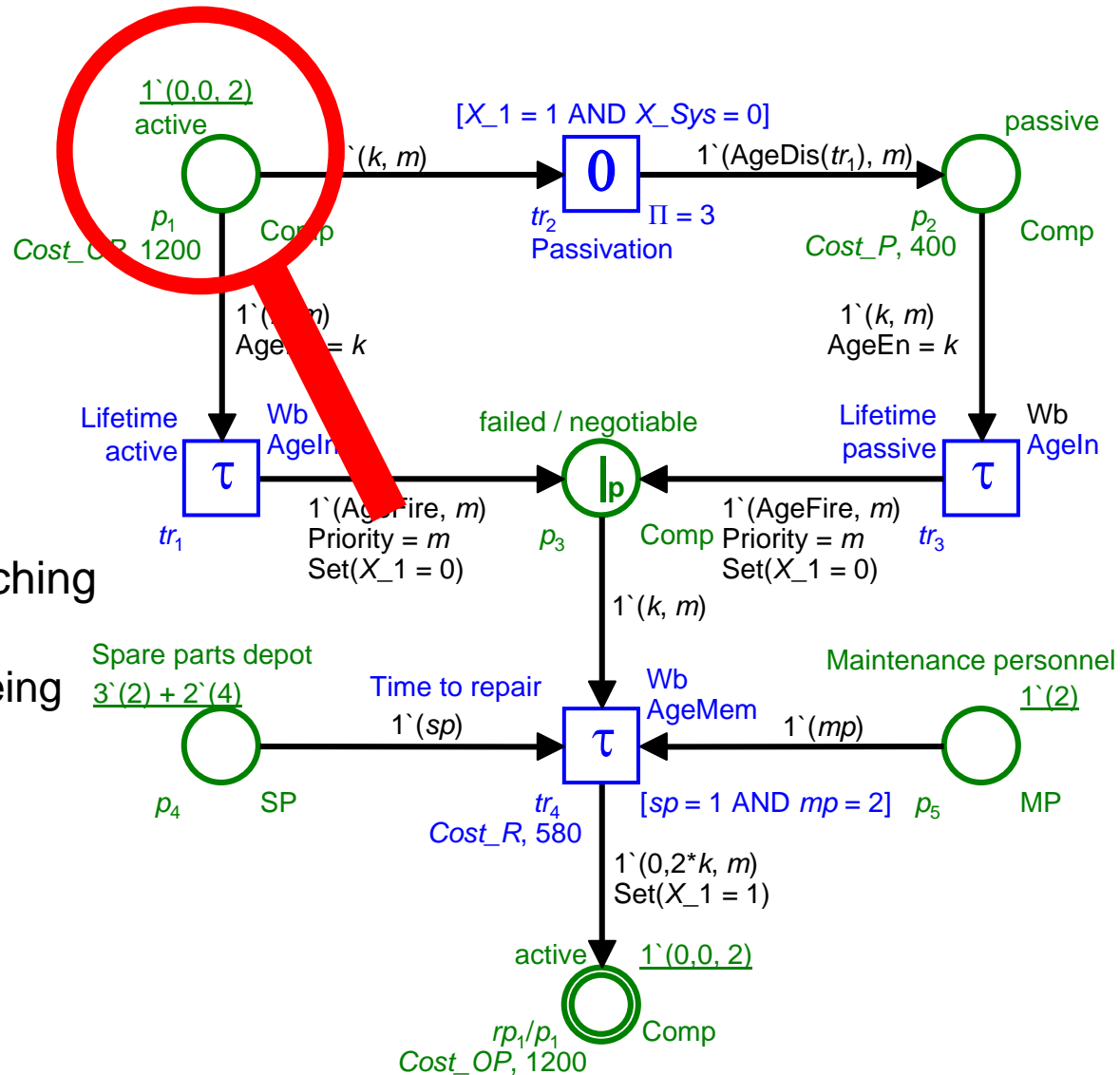


➔ **Few basic elements: great flexibility in modeling**

# Extended Coloured Stochastic Petri Net (ECSPN)

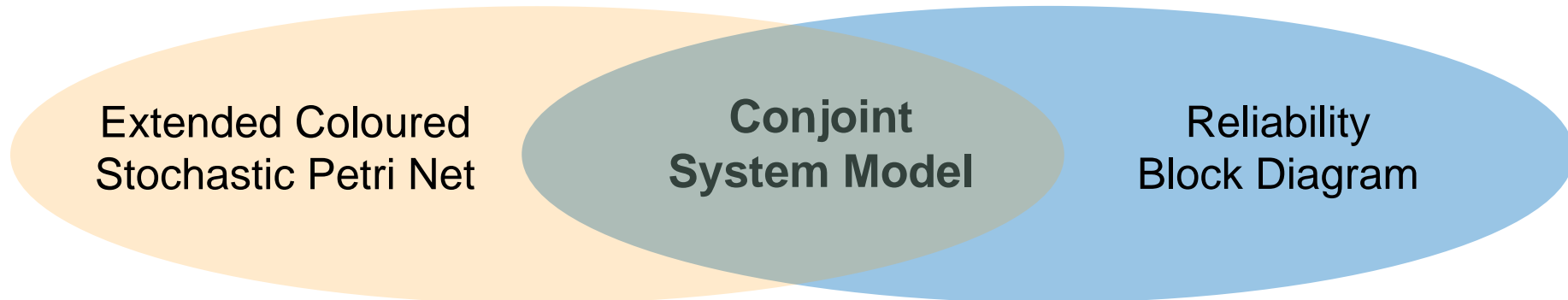
## Extensions

- ➔ Markings with complex information („Colour“ = Data type)
- ➔ Activation condition and switching rule are colour dependent
- ➔ Special elements and switching processes
  - State behaviour with ageing
  - Queuing discipline
  - Degree of renewal
  - Operational costs



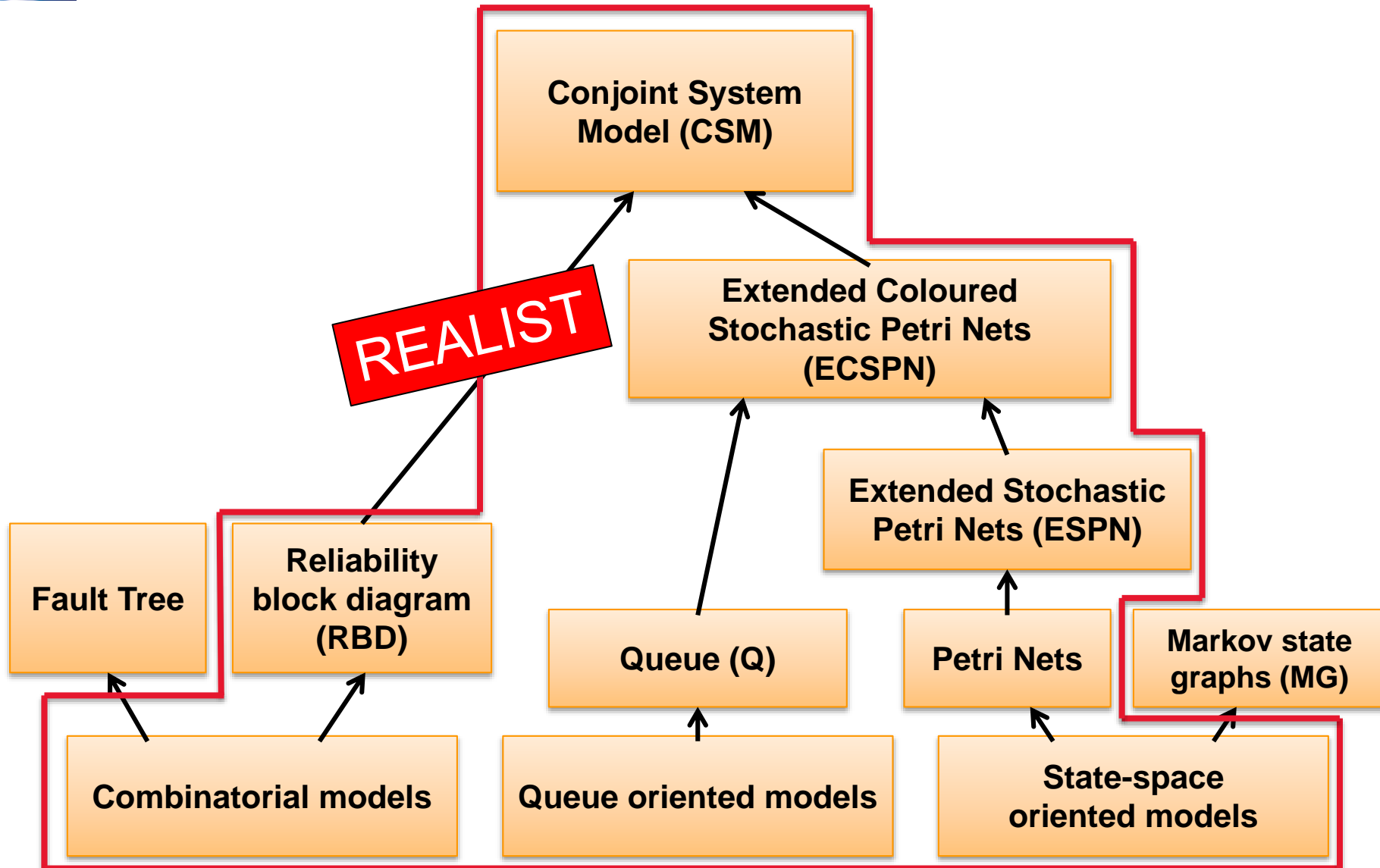
## Conjoint System Modeling (CSM)

- ➔ Hybrid system model
- ➔ ECSPN state space oriented
  - Reliability structure is not directly representable
  - System state complex
- ➔ Reliability Block Diagram (RBD) favorable for reliability structure



➔ **Presentation of various aspects using the optimal modeling technique in each case**

# Hierarchy of Modeling Methods





## CSM/ECSPN – Modeling capability

### General

- Concurrency/Synchronization
- Chronological sequences
- Competition
- Logic conditions
- Queuing behavior
- Timed/Stochastic system behavior
- Dynamic changing system behavior
- Fuzzy input data

# CSM/ECSPN – Modeling capability

## Operation

- Operation schedule
- Mission profile



LHC-Operation

## Production

- Material flow
- Information flow
- Production structure
- Queuing behavior
- Priorities
- Production dependencies



Beam Generation  
& Experiments

## System & Reliability

- Reliability structure
- System and component states
- Constant failure rates
- Time-dependent failure rates
- Dynamic changing failure behavior
- Aging
- Several operative states\*
- Failure propagation
- Failure dependencies
- Confidence Intervals



LHC systems &  
components

\* with time-dependent failure or transition rates

# CSM/ECSPN – Modeling capability

## Functions

- Functional states
- Functional sequences
- Functional logics
- Functional dependencies



Monitoring & Protection System

## Maintenance & Logistics

- Corrective and preventive maintenance
- Inspections and sensor-based condition monitoring
- Dynamic grouping of maintenance actions
- Time-dependent transition rates
- Degree of renewal\*
- Spare part logistics, purchasing procedure
- Limited maintenance capacities
- Complex maintenance dependencies
- Maintenance priorities



Maintenance & Logistics

## Costs

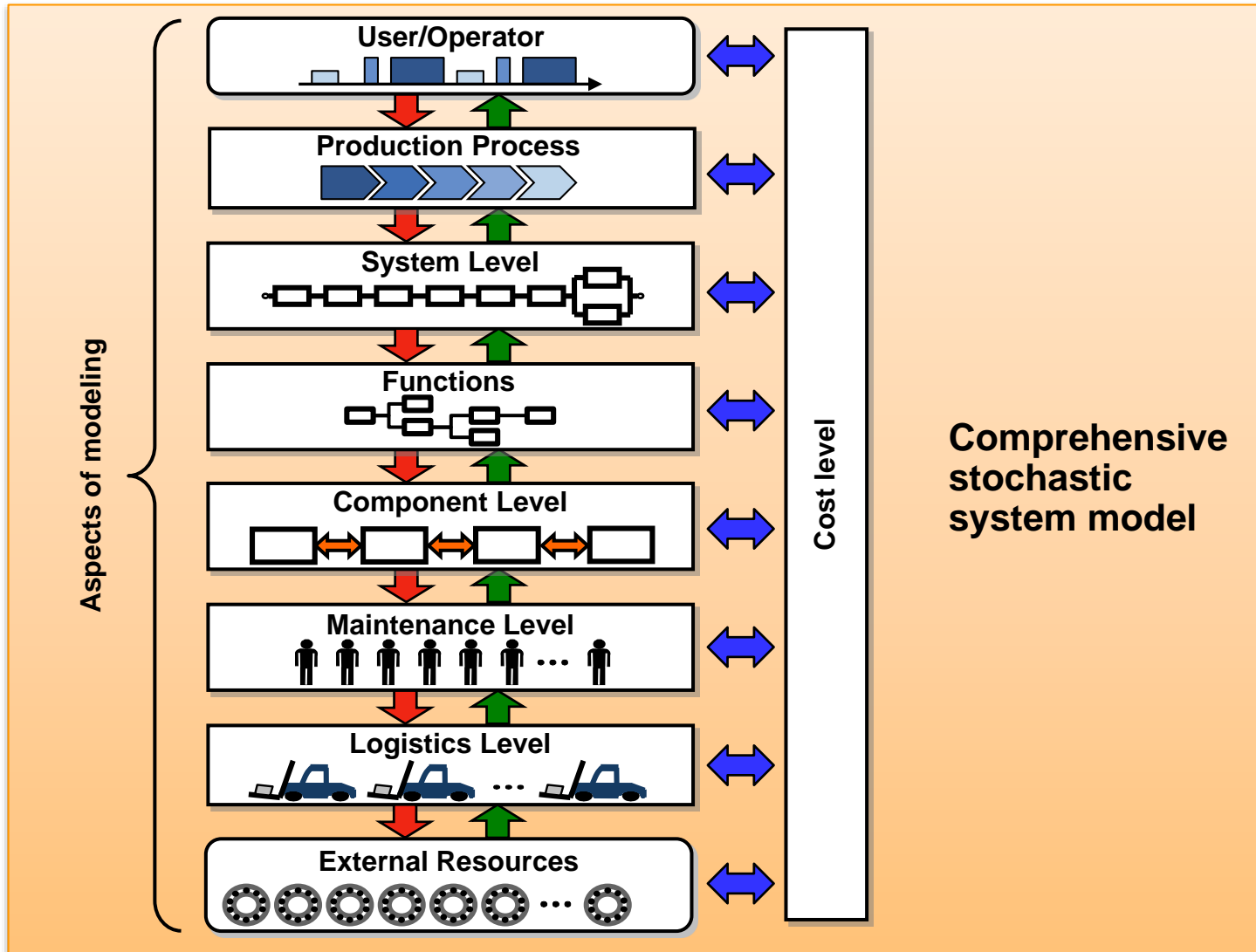
- Duration-based costs
- Number-based costs
- Variable Costs/Revenues
- Cost for storage



Budget constraints

\* with time-dependent failure or transition rates

# System Model - Close to Reality



# Dependability Characteristics

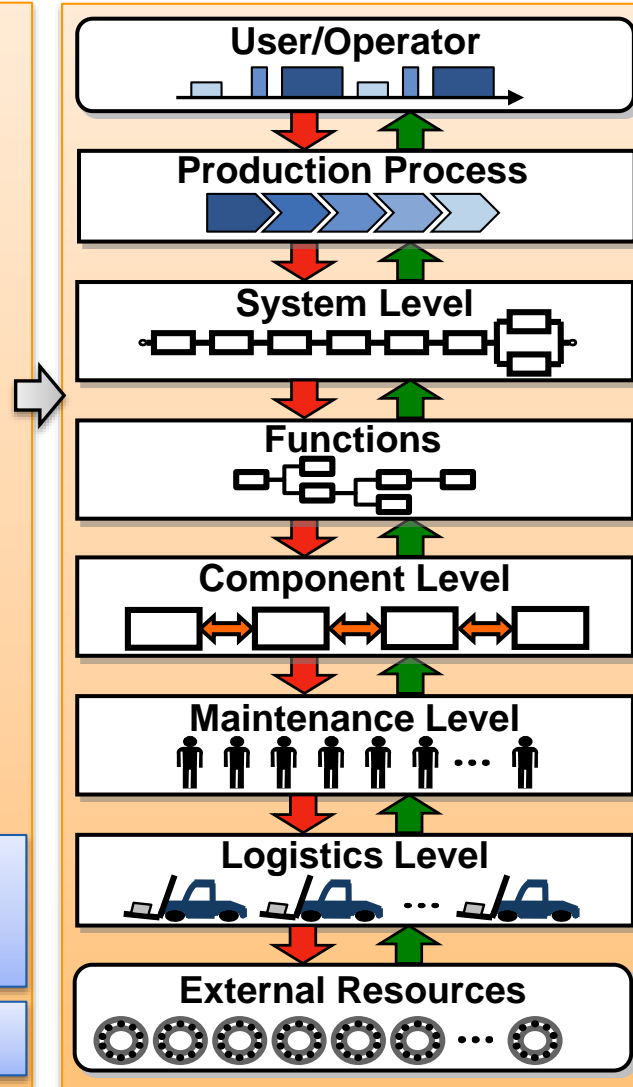
## Inherent Characteristics

- Operation schedule
- Production process
- Reliability structure
- Functions
- Availability
- Reliability
- Reparability/Maintainability
- Inspectability



Independent processes, structures, components and states

Input Information



## Operational Characteristics

- Operability
- Productivity
- Availability
- Reliability
- Functionality
- Reparability/Maintainability
- Inspectability
- Maintenance Delay Time
- Logistic Delay Time
- Level of Service

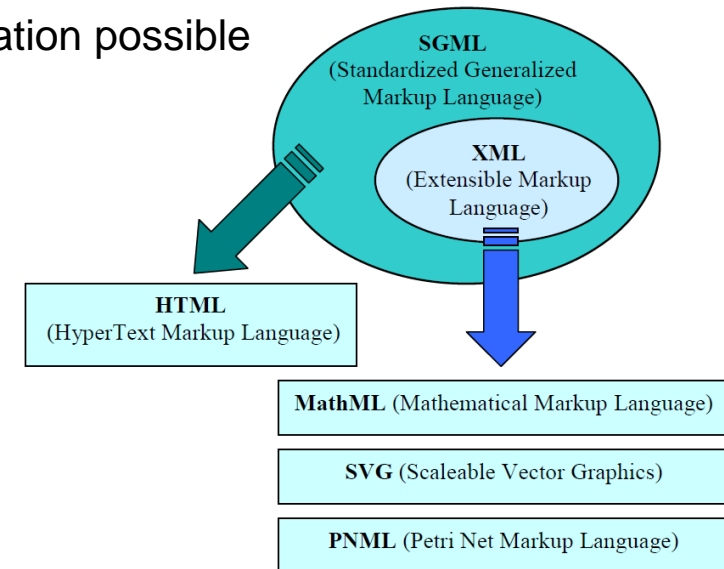


Evaluation under operating conditions (with dependencies)

Output Information

## Basic features

- Windows application
- Visual C++
- data interface
  - .pnml-Files (Petri Net Markup Language)
  - versatile and mostly standardized format for graphical modeling and analysis of processes
  - input of model without any graphical representation possible
- Monte-Carlo for analysis



## Features

### Input data format:

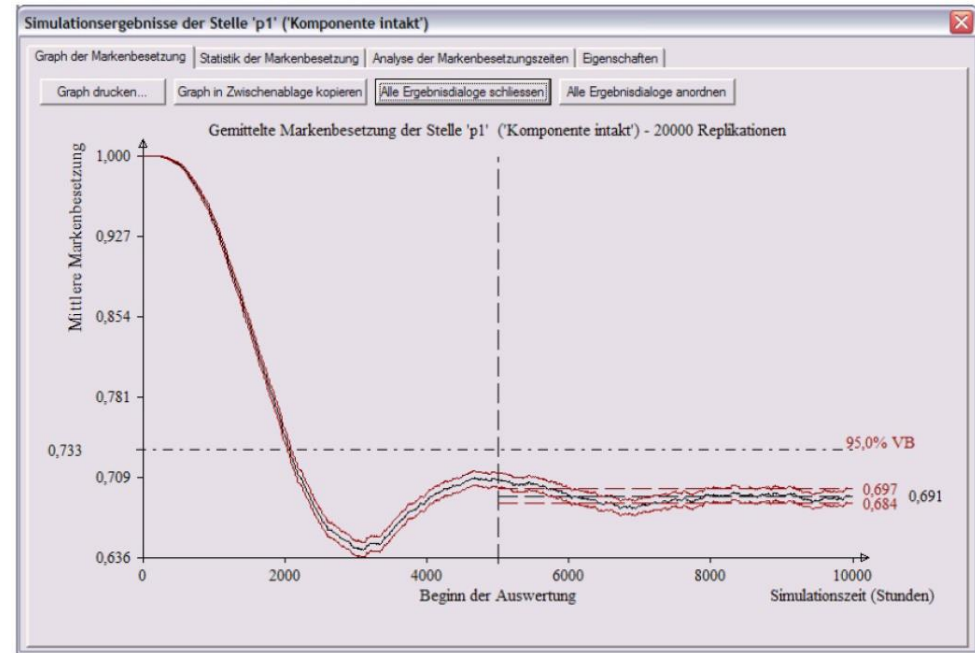
- distribution functions
- .pnml files

### Output data format:

- .txt
- .pst – software specific

### Data analysis:

- raw simulation data for all model elements
- statistical processed data
- distribution types and parameters (e.g. mean values, standard deviations)
- confidence intervals
- ASCII files for post processing tools (e.g. Excel)
- graphical plots



# Features

Debugging features:

- automatic check of model
- model animation
- customizable protocol files

Plotting features:

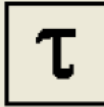
- markings of places to derive
  - reliability
  - availability
  - maintainability
  - delay times
  - logistics
  - ...

**Eigenschaften der zeitbehafteten Transition**

<b>Auswertung</b>	
Auswertung	False
Kosten pro Schaltung	0
Kostenvariable	
<b>Bezeichnung</b>	
ID-Nummer	tr1
Name	
Referenzliste	
<b>Schaltregel</b>	
Schaltgewicht	1
Schaltpriorität	0
Schaltregel	Enabling Memory
Server	Single Server
Wächterausdruck	
<b>Schaltverzögerung</b>	
Ausfallfreie Zeit to (to>=0)	0
Char. Lebensdauer T (T>to)	1000
Formparameter b (b>0)	1
Verteilungsfunktion	Weibull-Verteilung

Name  
 Verteilungsfkt./Schaltregel  
 Id  
 Schaltregel  
 Kostentransition





## Summary & Conclusions

- Presented powerful modeling methods are able to consider various modeling aspects
- Conjoint system model based on Petri Net yields the maximum modeling power and is able to consider manifold dependencies and reciprocal effects
- Analyzed operational parameters are an integral base for the development of availability (predictions, comparisons, optimizations, ...)
- Large systems require support in modeling and analysis

➔ Availability modeling and analysis based on Petri Nets offers a great potential for CERN

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