

# IN5100: Pathway Logic: Executable Models of Biological Networks

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As always, try to understand the main concepts. In particular, no (non-trivial) background in biology is assumed.

## Curriculum (pensum)

The curriculum is given by:

1. The paper: S. Eker, M. Knapp, K. Laderoute, P. Lincoln, and C. Talcott, *Pathway Logic: Executable Models of Biological Networks*. Proc. Fourth International Workshop on Rewriting Logic and Its Applications, 2002, Electronic Notes in Computer Science 71, Elsevier, 2002. <https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S1571066105825332?via%3Dihub> .
2. The slides on *Bio-Pathway Logic* by José Meseguer, available from the course web page.
3. Slides from whoever will present this in class.
4. (Just a quick view of) the slides *Pathway Logic: Using Rewriting Logic to Understand How Cells Work* by Carolyn Talcott. Presented at the International School on Rewriting 2021. Available at <https://dalila.sip.ucm.es/isr2021/slides/Talcott.pdf>.

Of course, we do not want to be experts in systems biology. What you should know and understand in particular include:

- What is happening in general, and, in particular, why could this be useful in biology?
- Understand how cells and proteins are modeled in rewriting logic. Essentially, given a drawing, what would be corresponding Maude term be (from 2002 paper).
- That is, what are the sorts **Enclosure**, **Soup**, **Dish**, etc.
- What is the term on (almost) top of page 150?
- Understand what happens in rules 410 . . . . , 438 . . . . , and 757 . . . .
- Understand/draw the structure of the state **q14**.
- What is search used for in the paper?
- Understand broadly what the proposition **prop1** denotes.

- Understand what they want to achieve with the model checking command on page 154.
- Why could/could not this be done with search?
- As for Carolyn Talcott's slides, read them quickly and for a quick overview of the Pathway Logic project. No detailed questions will be asked from these slides. Get the broad picture.