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Tutorial on Stochastic Simulation of Tumor Kinetics From Cell Biology to Computational Modeling

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- 1) What is Cancer: A biological introduction
- 2) The multistep process of cancer
- 3) Key Problems for cancer research
- 4) Overview of Machine Learning for cancer
- 4) Tumor Growth Modeling
- 5) Cellular Potts Model > Tumor Growth Simulation
- 6) Implementation of Tumor Growth Visualization
- 7) Summary and Open Problems



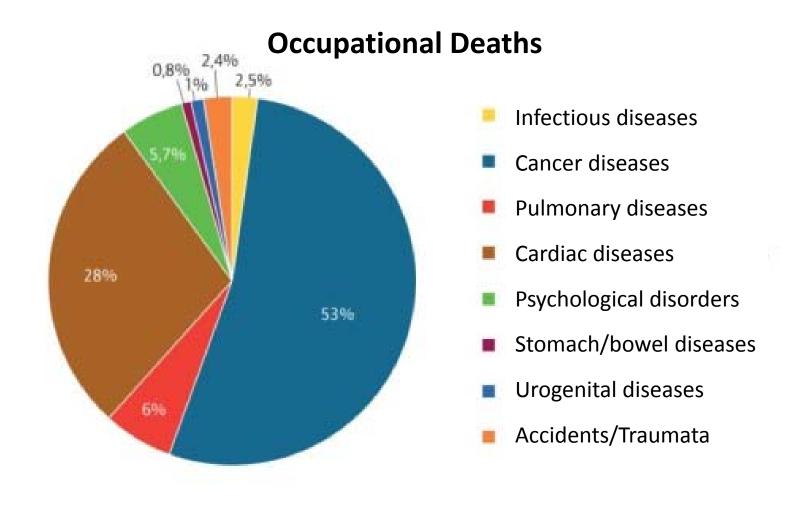


Part 1 Cell Biology



- In Silico
- Differentiation
- Benign & Malignant Tumor Cells
- Proliferation
- Migration
- Tissue
- Adhesion
- Tumor Growth Modeling
- Agent Based Modeling
- Cellular Automaton (CA)
- Extra-Cellular Matrix (ECM)
- Cellular Potts Model (CPM)

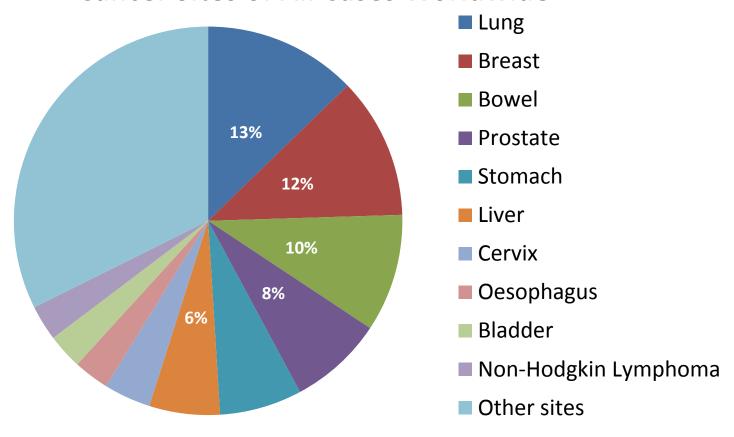




OGB – German Health News, apr 5th 2016 - Annually mortality causes in EU28 and other industrial countries



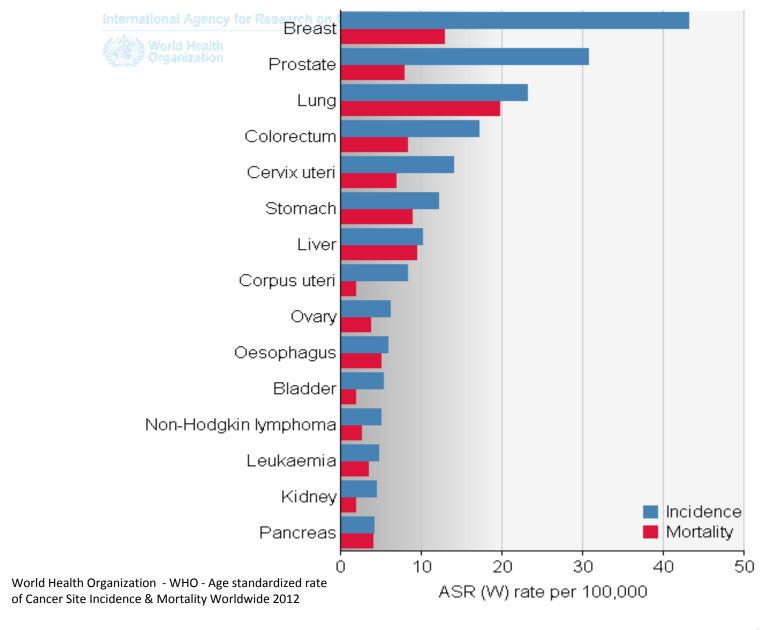
Cancer Sites of All Cases Worldwide



Ferlay J, Soerjomataram I, Ervik M, Dikshit R, Eser S, Mathers C, Rebelo M, Parkin DM, Forman D, Bray, F.GLOBOCAN 2012 v1.0, Cancer Incidence and Mortality Worldwide: IARC CancerBase No. 11 [Internet].Lyon, France: International Agency for Research on Cancer; 2013. Available from: http://globocan.iarc.fr, accessed on 16/01/2014.







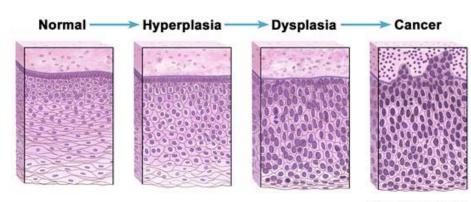


- Tumor / Neoplasm
- ... Abnormal mass of tissue cells divide more than they should
- Cancer

... group of diseases in which abnormal cells divide without control, can invade nearby tissues

- Malignant
- ... Cancerous: invasive, destroy nearby tissue, spread to other parts of the body
- Benign / Non-malignant
 ... normal (not cancerous): grow
 larger but do not spread
- Hyperplasia / Dysplasia... increased number / abnormal form

Normal Cells May Become Cancer Cells



NCI Dictionary of Cancer Terms - US Department of Health & Human Services, National Institutes of Health, National Cancer Institute.

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Most common Cancer types, based on their origin (primary manifestation):

- Skin
- Lung
- Breast
- Prostate
- Colon & rectum
- Uterus



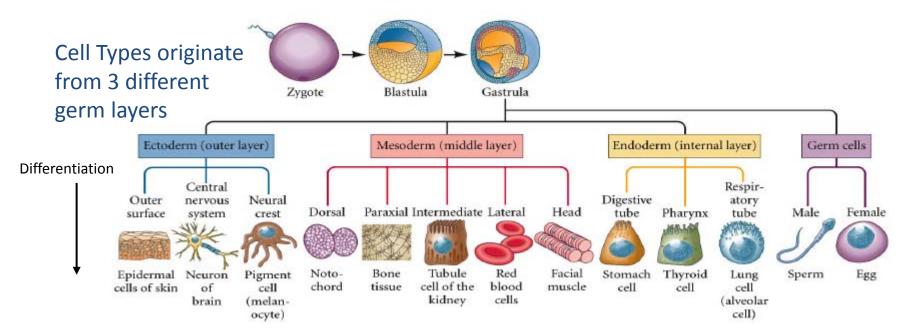




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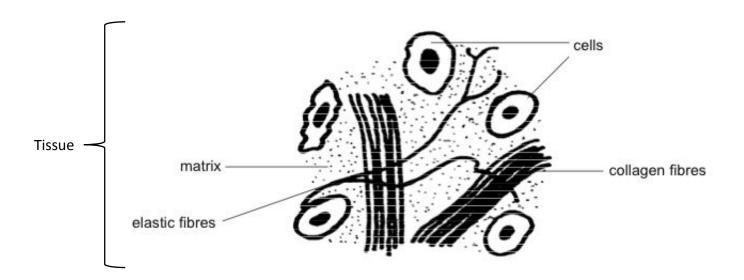


- Endoderm (inner layer) → digestive tract, liver, lung, pharynx ...
- Ectoderm (outer layer) → skin, nails, hair, skin glands, salivary glands, nerve tissue ...
- Mesoderm (middle) → muscles, fibrous tissue, bone, cartilage, adipose tissue, blood cells, blood&lymph vessels

The-three-germ-layers - http://madmnemonics.blogspot.co.at - 06/2015







- Tissue
- Extracellular Matrix (ECM)
- Cell → Organelles
- Microfibril → Fiber → Protein

Loose connective tissue - by Adrignola, Sunshineconelly, Lawson R. 2011



Histological Types: Hundreds of different cancers, summed up to 6 major categories:

- Carcinoma (epithelial tissue)
- Sarcoma (supportive/connective tissue)
- Myeloma (plasma/bone marrow cells)
- Leukemia (bone marrow → blood production)
- Lymphoma (lymphatic system)*
- Mixed Types (eg. Carcinosarcoma)

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^{*} Hodgkin/Non-Hodgkin lymphoma depending on presence of Reed-Sternberg cells



Nomenclature based on tissue type and malignancy/benignancy:

eg. Adenoma (benign) & Adenocarcinoma (malignant),
Fibroma & Fibrosarcoma
Neuroma & Neuroblastoma

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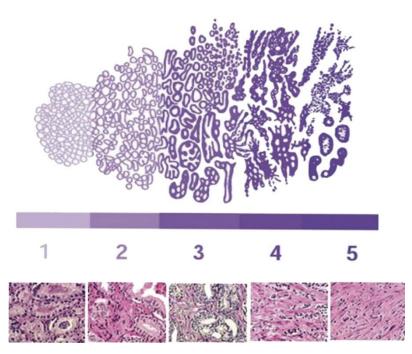
Grades

G1 (undetermined)

G2 (well differentiated)

G3 (poorly differentiated)

G4 (undifferentiated)



Cancer type-specific grading

Gleason Scoring - prostate cancer - calculated from pattern 1-5

→ X, 1-6 (well diff.), 7 (moderately), 8-10 (poorly diff.)

Nottingham system - breast cancer

(based on tubule formation, nuclear grade, mitotic rate)

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- Tumor location
- Cell type
- Tumor Size
- Spread to lymph nodes
- Spread to different parts of body
- Tumor grade = cell abnormality
 (proliferation rate, nuclear hyperchromasia, mitoses)



TNM system (extent/number/metastasis)

X,0,T1-4, N1-3, M1

eg. T3N0M0 (large tumor, no cancer in nearby lymph nodes/tissue, not spread to distant body parts)

Stage

0 (carcinoma in situ)

I-III (size and spread to nearby tissue)

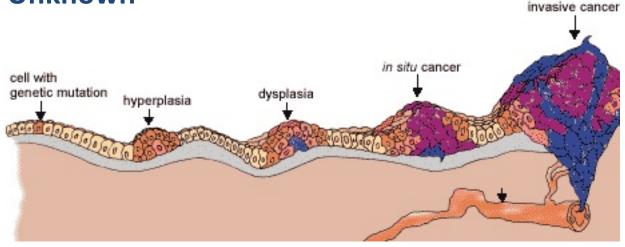
IV (metastasis to distant parts)

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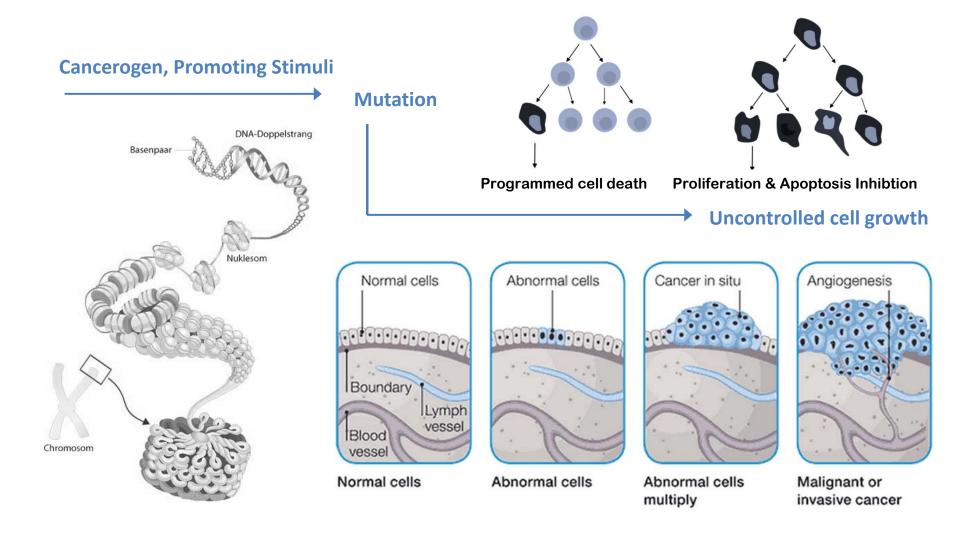
- In situ abnormal cells present but not spread to nearby tissue
- Localized cancer limited to origin, not spread
- Regional cancer spread to nearby lymph nodes, tissues, organs
- Distant cancer spread to distant parts of the body





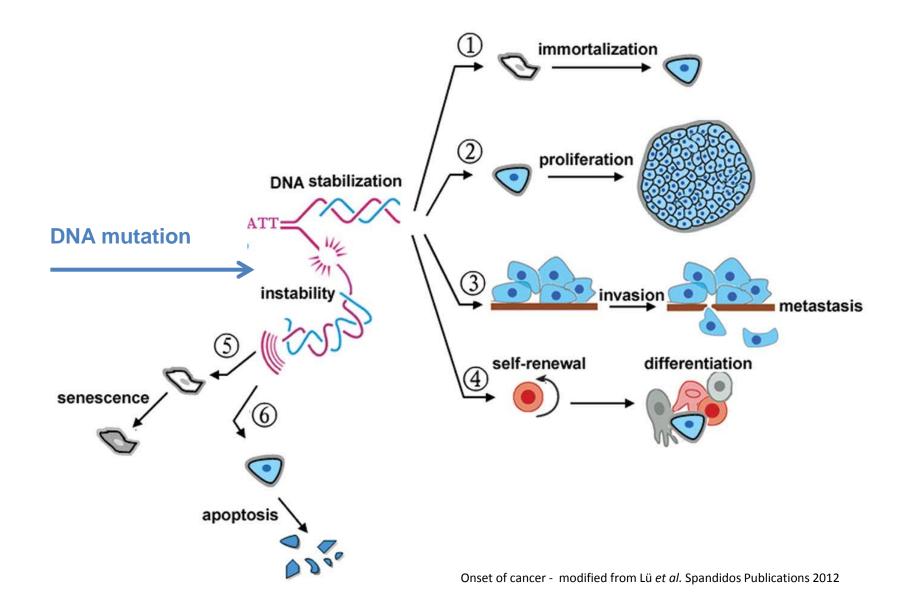
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DNA structure - Krebsinformationsdienst, Deutsches Krebsforschungszentrum Jan 2016. S.Jorhaa'ir / Garak76, 2010 cell division – normal vs. cancer. Cancer cycle and cancerous cells - © 2015 OncoSera.





What is Cancer: A biological background



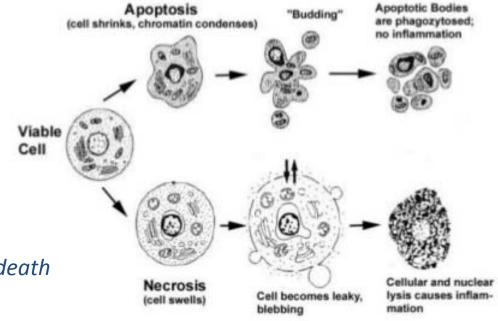
Differentiation

... cell changing to a more specialized cell type

Proliferation

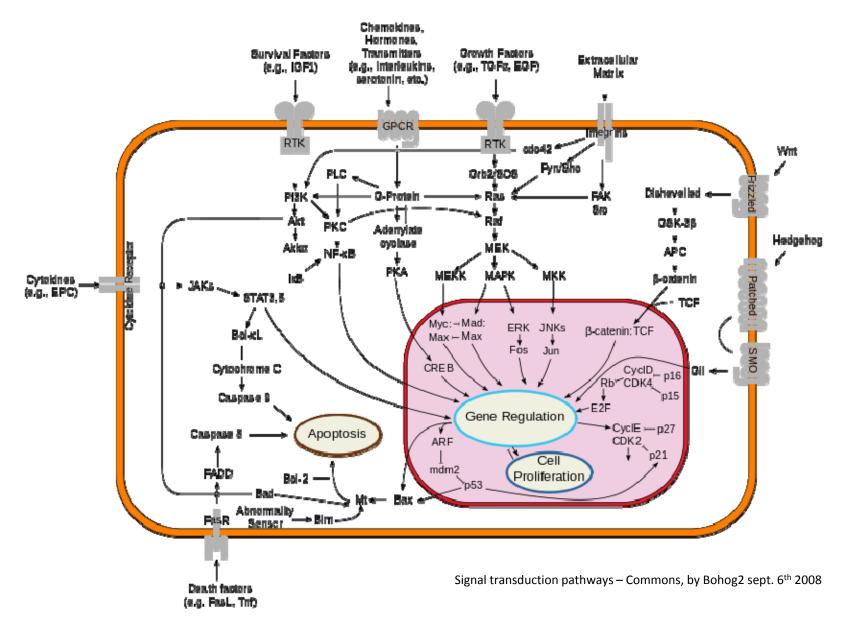
... growth: increase in cell number via cell division

- Mitosis
- ... cell division
- Apoptosis
- ... programmed cell death, blocked in cancer cells
- Necrosis
- ... unprogrammed / general cell death



NCI Dictionary of Cancer Terms - US Department of Health & Human Services, National Institutes of Health, National Cancer Institute. Intro to Apoptosis - Gewies A. Nov. 6th 2014, http://de.slideshare.net/richardhastings589/kumc-measuring-apoptosis-using-flow-cytometry





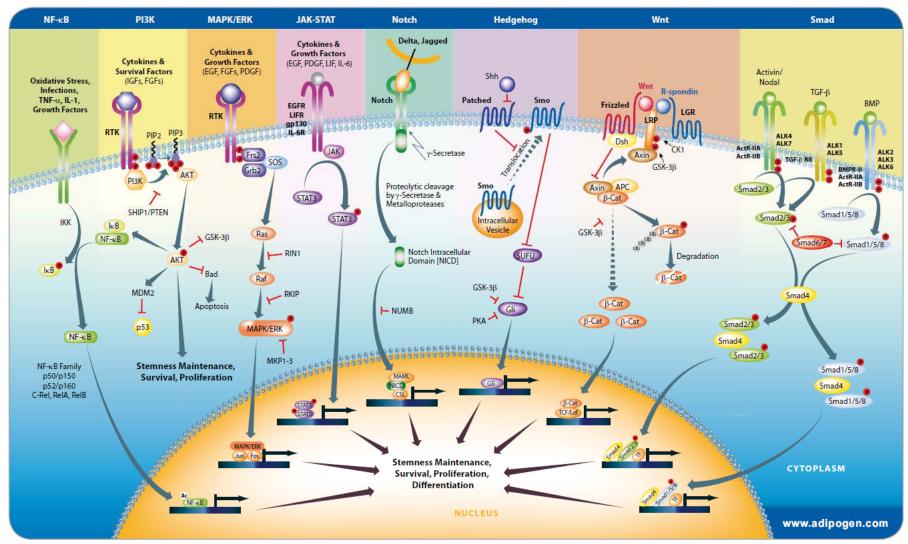


Pathways on Cancer Signaling

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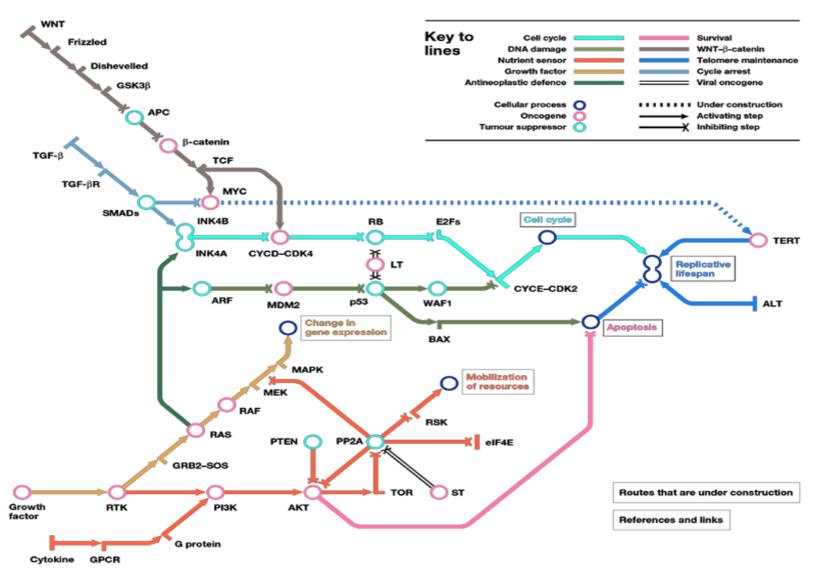
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VPR 2013





Subway map of Cancer pathways – Hahn WC, Weinberg RA, designed by Bentley C, edited by Brooksbank C and Clark S, © 2002 Nature Publishing Group.



- Increased frequency in spontaneous formation of tumors
- Reduced latency time
- Tumor occurrence in additional tissues
- Increased number of tumors
- Genotoxicity: direct DNA damage
- Non-genotoxic: indirect damage on external genetic influence factors



Carcinogenicity
(H350, H351),
Germ cell mutagenicity
(H340, H341),
Reproduction toxicity
(H360, H361)

categories 1A/B, 2 (probability)

BG BAU – Berufsgenossenschaft der Bauwirtschaft, Berlin 2016, GISBAU – Gefahrstoff-Informationssystem

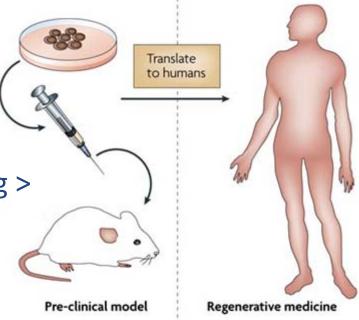


Toxicity / Cancerogenity studies

 Daily administration of test substance to animal (oral, dermal, inhalative) –18-30 months (live-long for rodents)

Chron. toxicity by repeated dosing > 12 months

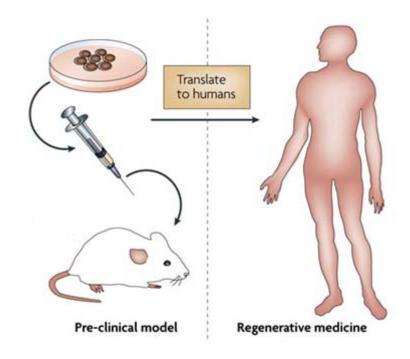
 Histopathological changes (hyperplasia, atypia), rates of cell division



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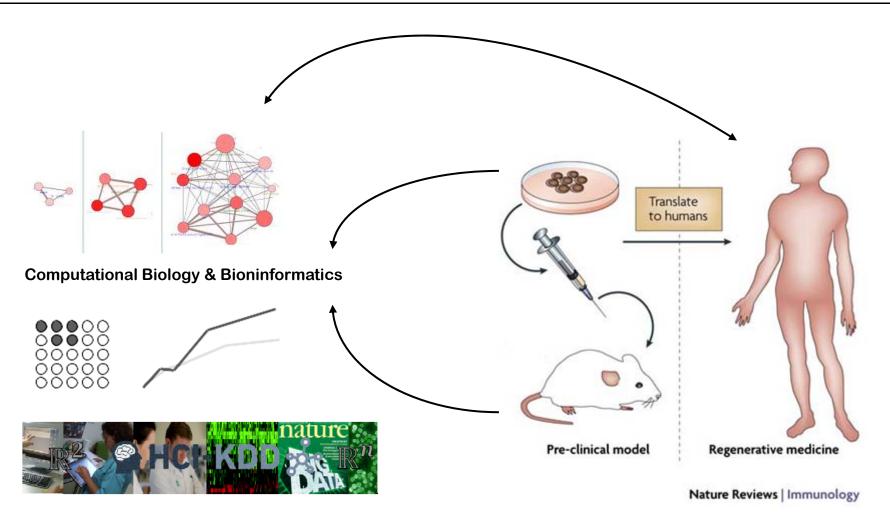
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"Somehow your medical records got faxed to a complete stranger. He has no idea what's wrong with you either."



Time for a coffee break!







Part 2 Computational Modelling



In Silico Biomedicine - Motivation



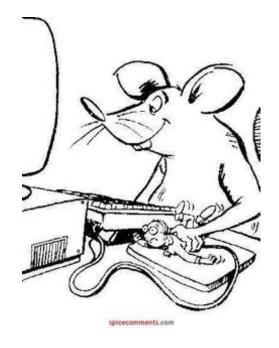


Are Computers better doctors?

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- Inter- and intracellular dynamics
- avoiding hard-to-measure variables
- Inflexible models
- in silico complements in vivo
- executable (cell) biology
- reduce animal experiments (resources)
- boost in silico for awareness & breakthrough
- patient-personalized prediction

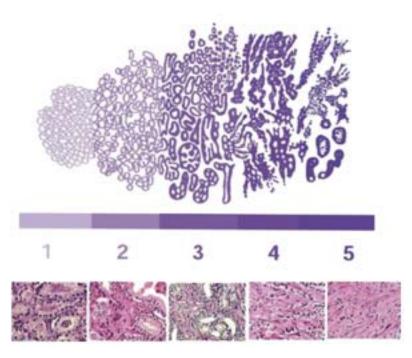


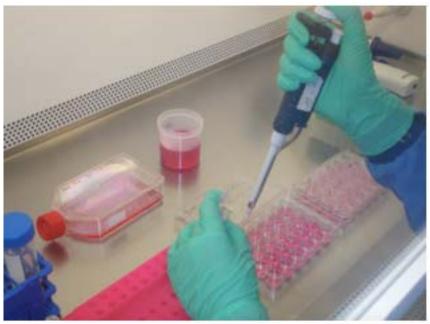
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Fisher, J. & Henzinger, T. A. 2007. Executable cell biology. Nature biotechnology, 25, (11), 1239-1249, doi:10.1038/nbt1356.



Images of





tissue

wet research

The Gleason grading system - Harnden P. et al. The Lancet Oncology, Volume 8, Issue 5, 411 – 419, 2007





- ML in Genomics
 - such as DNA micro array analysis for cancer classification etc.
 - => for identification & treatment
- ML in image analysis
 - such as for classifying and/or differentiating benign from malignant samples etc.
 - => for diagnosis & prognosis
- ML in cancer research is growing rapidly
 - combination of molecular patterns and clinical data
 - deep text-mining offers new possibilities
 - etc.

Cruz, J. A., & Wishart, D. S. (2006). Applications of machine learning in cancer prediction and prognosis. Cancer informatics, 2.





- Example: Glioma Classification
 - Using gene expression data
 - Unsupervised ML approach on genome-wide gene expression profiles of 159 gliomas
 - Model predicts
 - two major groups,
 - separated into six subtypes,
 - previously unrecognized prognostic groups within
 TCGA published data could be found

Train set

Filters

Dataset 1

Dataset 6

HC, K-mean, NMF

G-enriched cluster

K-mean, NMF

GA OB GA1 GA2 GB1 GB2

PAM

PAM, HC, PCA

Test set

Filters

Filters

G-enriched cluster

K-mean, NMF

G-enriched cluster

G-enriched cluster

K-mean, NMF

Filters

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FAM

PAM, HC, PCA

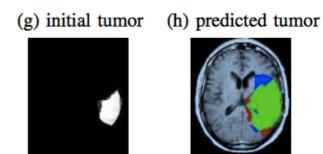
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- Example: Modeling glioma tumor growth
 - Using image data (MRI scans)
 - Learn the parameters of a diffusion model
 - Using patient data
 - Preprocessing images
 - noise reduction, linear register and warp to standard coordinate system, reducing inhomogeneity, Intensity standardization, segmentation between grey and white matter...
 - Feature extraction
 - => Prediction through classification & diffusion

Morris, M., Greiner, R., Sander, J., Murtha, A., & Schmidt, M. (2006). Learning a classification-based glioma growth model using MRI data. Journal of Computers, 1(7), 21-31.



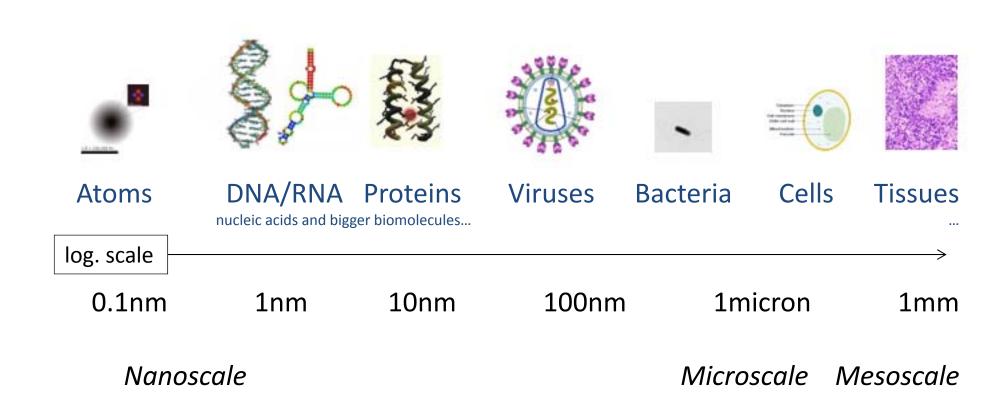


There are different kinds of models in biology, such as spatial ones, space free ones but also cell descriptive models based on density, or cellbased, or sub-cellular or molecular, (relating to their scale of phenomenon)

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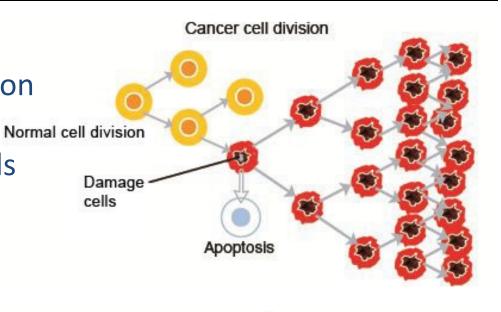


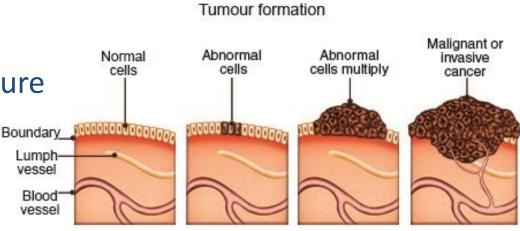
Visualization Applications At Different Biological Scales





- Tumor growth
- complex disease: simplification
 & approximation
- differentiation of normal cells
- excessive proliferation
- either dormant or growing
- critical mass
 - growth stops
 - migration (metastasis)
- underlying network structure
- environmental heterogeneities





Choe, S. C., Zhao, G., Zhao, Z., et al. (2011). Model for in vivo progression of tumors based on co-evolving cell population and vasculature.

Scientific reports, 1.





- A tumor can be seen as spatio-temporal pattern formation
- Spatial & temporal data exist an can be used for improving existing simulation & analysis tools
- Several attempts have been made to model and predict malignant tumor

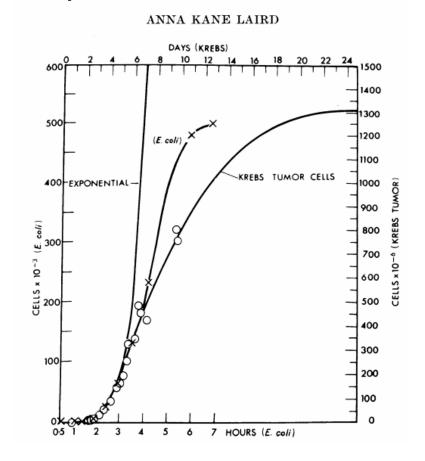
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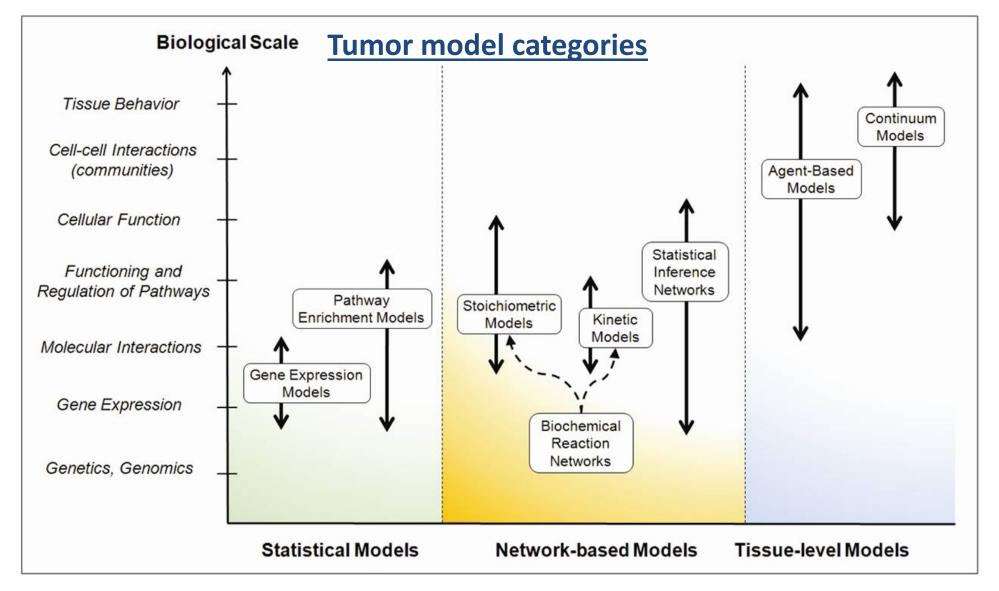
- Tumor growth kinetics follow simple laws
- Mathematical models exist
 f.i. Gompertz or power law
- No universal law
- Prediction rate low and/or distinct



Benzekry, S., Lamont, C., Beheshti, et al. (2014). Classical mathematical models for description and prediction of experimental tumor growth.







Edelman, L. B., Eddy, J. A., & Price, N. D. (2010). In silico models of cancer.





Continuum vs. Discrete/Agent-based Modeling

Continuum	Discrete
continuously distributed variables	discrete entities in discrete time intervals
interactions between factors representing several effects of physiologial/biochemical events	interactions in a single space representation
f.i.: simulating population dynamics, combinatoric effects of several nutrient availability and other parameters etc.	f.i.: simulating agent dynamics, probabilistics of each time step, a small number of individuals

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- Cellular Automaton (CA) approach to modeling biological cells
- CAs are:
 - Discrete
 - Abstraction of a system
 - Computational
 - At each time, each cell instantiates one state of a finite set of states
- CA for tumor growth with rules:
 - Cell division, movement, change or not change state...
- "On-lattice" modelling (see next slide)

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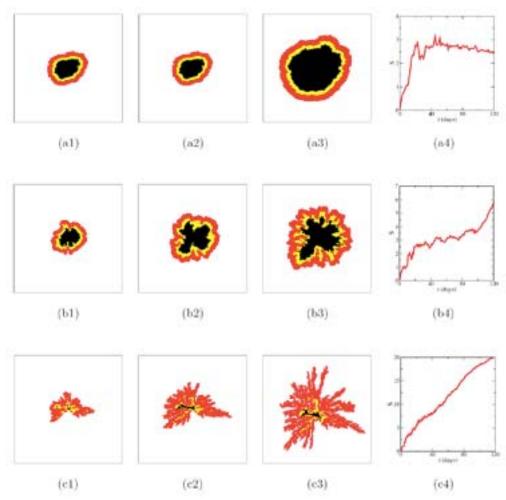
- In abstract algebra it is a fundamental algebraic structure, consisting of a partially ordered set in which every two elements have a unique supremum (join) and a unique infimum (meet). An example is given by the natural numbers, partially ordered by divisibility, for which the unique supremum is the least common multiple and the unique infimum is the greatest common divisor.
- In geometry a lattice in \mathbb{R}^n is a subgroup of \mathbb{R}^n , which is isomorphic to \mathbb{Z}^n , and which spans the real vector space \mathbb{R}^n , i.e. for any basis of \mathbb{R}^n the subgroup of all linear combinations with integer coefficients of the basis vectors forms a lattice. A lattice may be viewed as a regular tiling of a space by a primitive cell. • • •





Simulated Growth of Solid Tumors in Confined

Heterogeneous Environment

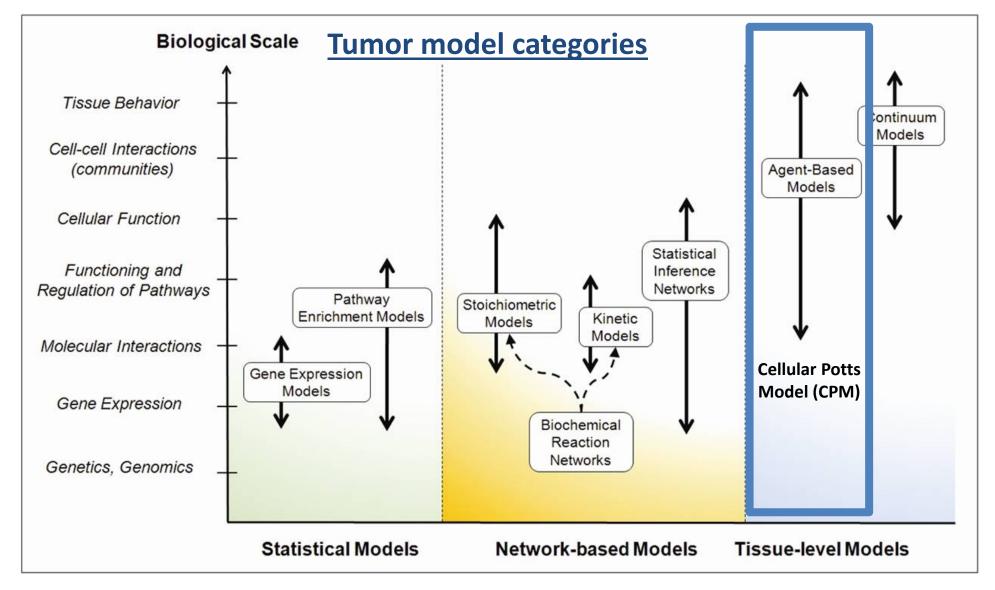


Jiao, Y., & Torquato, S. (2011). Emergent behaviors from a cellular automaton model for invasive tumor growth in heterogeneous microenvironments. PLoS Comput Biol, 7(12)

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CPM

- Model for cell sorting
- Describes cell-cell interaction, motion, rearrangement, pressure inside tissue
- Suitable for pathol. developmental mechanisms in cancer
- Cell-based method on the lattice
- 2D lattice represents tissue
- Collection of particles to represent the cell
- Each cell is represented as an object with a possible adhesive state, spatially extended
- cells are composed of adjacent lattice sites with similar id nr.
- system tends to minimize overall surface energy (energy per unit of area)

Szabó, A., & Merks, R. M. (2013). Cellular potts modeling of tumor growth, tumor invasion, and tumor evolution. Frontiers in oncology, 3



CPM originally developed by Graner & Glazier 1992

$$p(\sigma_{i,j} \to \sigma_{i',j'}) = \begin{cases} e^{\frac{-\Delta H}{T}} & \text{if } \Delta H > 0; \\ 1 & \text{if } \Delta H \le 0; \end{cases}$$

Probability of accepting/rejecting a spin copy

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Note that this is an approach with Reals – not discrete – but we are working on discrete multi-agent approaches in the future!





CPM originally developed by Graner & Glazier 1992

$$H = J \sum_{i,j} (1 - \delta_{\sigma_{i,j}\sigma_{i',j'}}) + \lambda \sum_{\sigma} (v(\sigma) - V_t(\sigma))^2$$

Kronecker delta
$$\; \delta_{ij} = \left\{ egin{array}{ll} 0 & ext{if } i
eq j, \ 1 & ext{if } i = j. \end{array}
ight.$$

 σ spin of a cell

J surface energies between spins (adhesion)

 λ cellular constraint, function of elasticity

 $v(\sigma)$ area/volume of a cell

 $V_t(\sigma)$ target area for cells of type

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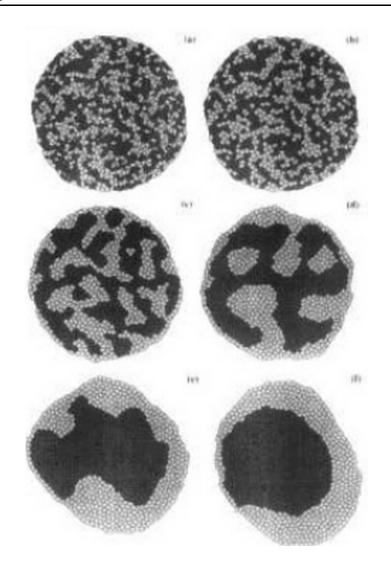


Image of a cell sorting time series

- initial: random assigned cell types
- each step represents a growing number of Monte Carlo Step (MCS)
- figure shows pattern

Graner, F., & Glazier, J. A. (1992). Simulation of biological cell sorting using a two-dimensional extended Potts model. Physical review letters, 69(13), 2013.



Our idea:

- Reducing animal experiments
- Visualizing tumor dynamics towards better understanding
- **Easy**-to-use
- Easy-to-extend
- Implementation of Cellular Potts Model

visualized with cytoscape.js (web application) other client rendering frameworks ... based on network visualization in biology

 Support biologists and clinical scientists ultimate goal

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```
for Number of MCS do
  for Appropriate number of samples (substeps) do
    Calculate the Hamiltonian in current state, H0;
    Select a lattice site, i, from the domain at random;
    Select a neighbour, j, of this site at random;
    Change config so that site i refers to same cell as site j
    (if not ecm)
    Calculate the Hamiltonian in new configuration, H1;
    if DeltaH = H1 - H0 \ll 0, then
      Accept change;
    else
      Evaluate p = \exp((-DeltaH) \setminus (T));
      Sample a number u from U(0, 1);
      if p < u, then
        Accept change;
      end
    end
    If change is rejected, then restore original confirmation.
  end
end
```

J. M. Osborne. (2015). Multiscale Model of Colorectal Cancer Using the Cellular Potts Framework. Cancer Informatics, 14(Suppl. 4), p83-93



CPM implementations already exist:

- CompuCell3d
- Tissue Simulation Toolkit

However

- though "community-driven", not maintained
- context-specific
- static
- lack of re-usability
- hard to be combined with visualization libraries
- no web implementation
- not useful for interactive visualization

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Implementation Example: Tumor Growth Visualization



FRONTEND

BACKEND

Cross-browser User Interface 🥮 🥭 configurable parameters html5 & css, visualization components built with cytoscape.js, jquery.js updated via 00000 ... can be customized and extended with other 3rd party plugins like flotcharts, d3.js, jit.js etc. JSONCPMServlet: for communication of frontend & backend using JSON Java CPM Implementation,

consisting of CPM Lattice Computation, Graph Converter

and Cytoscape Converter ...



Implementation Example: Tumor Growth Visualization



```
CPMLattice.java
                                                                        G GraphToCytoscapeJSONConverter.java ×
                  CPMLatticeCalculationParams.java
                                                  C JSONCPMServlet.java ×
                   energyArea = 0;
                   newEnergyArea = 0;
                   if (cell > 0) {
                       energyArea = params.getLambdaArea() *(Math.pov((area[cell] - getTargetAreaForCell(cell)), 2));
                   if (cellNeighbour > 0) (
                       newEnergyArea = params.getLambdaArea() * (Math.pov((area[cellNeighbour] - getTargetAreaForCell(cellNeighbour)),2));
                  /* The overall delta# = AFTER-BEFORE CODE PREVIEW
                   deltaH = (newEnergyAdhesion + newEnergyArea) - (energyAdhesion + energyArea);
                   // with prob = 1.0 if it would decrease the value of globally Hamiltonian
                   if (params.getTemperature() > 0) {
                       if (deltaH > 0) {
                          prob = Math.exp(-deltaH / params.getTemperature()); // Boltzmann
                          prob = 1.0;
                   } else if (params.getTemperature() == 0) {
                       if (deltaH > 0) {
```

Implementation Example: Tumor Growth Visualization



Implementation of Tumor growth visualization



- "cpm-cytoscape" already on GIThub: https://github.com/davcem/cpm-cytoscape
- and available as online DEMO:
 http://styx.cgv.tugraz.at:8080/cpm-cytoscape/

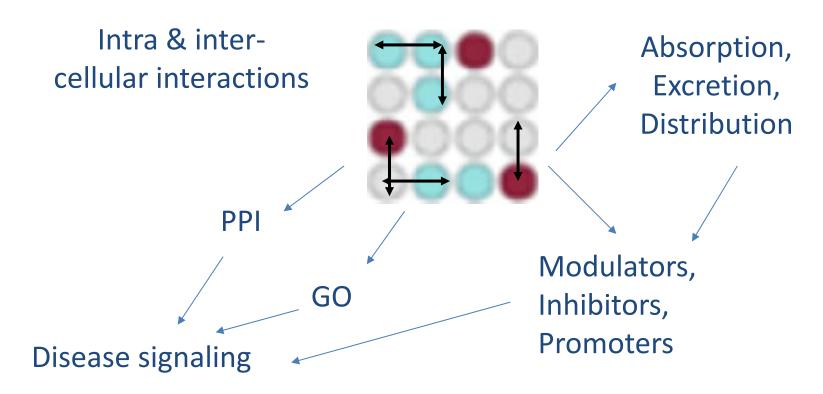




Nodes as Cellular bricks

→ Compartmental states:

Localized phenomena





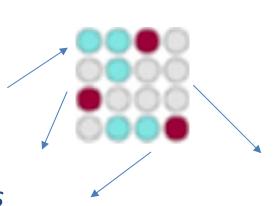


Hot topics:

initialize random or upload image

Choose a profile: brain cancer type II

- Learning from image data for Initialization
 - image preprocessing & feature extraction
 - comparison, refinement & optimization
- ML for tumor growth profiles and model validation
- On using open tumor growth data for ML
 - Histologic data
 - Drug targeting data etc
- On multi-scale trends in cancer modelling
 - Compare results of different models
 - Link between different scales
 - Combining microscopic characteristics
 - with macroscopic parameters
- Sensitivity plots for tumor modelling
- Trajectory visualization of tumor dynamics







Thank you!





- What is the difference between tumor and cancer?
- What does the term differentiation in biological context stand for? Give an example.
- What means in vivo, in vitro and in silico?
- What types of computational tumor growth models exist?
- What is a cellular automaton?