

Gene-Auto development status and support

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Status after the Gene-Auto ITEA project



WP2 objectives

- Toolset architecture definition
 - Achieved
- Design and implement functionality for code generation
 - Achieved
- Design and implement functionality for formal model verification
 - Withdrawn from user requirements
- Ensure DO178B/ED12B-compliant development process and keep lifecycle data record for qualification
 - Partly achieved



Gene-Auto toolset

- One-step code generation from Simulink, Stateflow and Scicos models
- Open customisable architecture
- Open-source toolset to ensure long-term maintainability
- Generates ISO/IEC 9899 and MISRA compatible C code for embedded systems
- Usage of formal methods in selected transformation steps (WP5)
- Open intermediate languages for model exchange.



Simulink support

- Selected subset of supported blocks
 - 42 native Simulink blocks, 15 custom blocks
 - Easily extendable
- Support of multirate models
- Support of explicit scheduling via 'function-call' triggering
- Native support for matrix and vector operations
- Limited EML (Embedded Matlab) support in expressions
 - EML blocks not supported
 - Matlab functions not supported
- Modelling restrictions apply to ensure compatibility and chosen quality rules (D1.13)



Stateflow support

Code generation from Stateflow

charts

supported

graphical functions

supported

"classical" truth tables – supported

EML (Embedded Matlab) truthtables – not supported

EML functions

not supported

Modelling restrictions apply to ensure safety and chosen quality rules (D1.14)



Scicos support

- Scicos/Gene-Auto interface implemented in Scicos
 - Specific Scicos pallet compatible with the supported subset of Simulink blocks
 - Full user interface integration
 - Automated simulation support of the generated code
- Gene-Auto launcher
 - Reads the Scicos model stored in the GASystemModelling language and executes the required Gene-Auto elementary tools



"Qualification kit"

- Development plans
- Development data
 - High-level: Toolset requirements
 - Low-level: Tool requirements (each elementary tool)
 - Design
 - Source code
- Verification data
 - Requirement verification data
 - Design verification data
 - Code verification data
- User documentation
- Templates for qualification plan



Developments in 2009



Developments in 2009

- Maintenance for Airbus France and EADS Astrium
 - 20 support tickets / 25 technical tasks + related qualification data updates
 - No major features added
- Ada language backend with AdaCore
 - Specification and implementation of a new elementary tool and code generation chain
 - Sideresult: refinement of the tool requirements of TCPrinter
 - Sideresult: unused context argument elimination in the C-chain (potential)
- Other developments (IB Krates)
 - Extended testing framework being developed
 - Some technical tasks carried out on own account



Support for Gene-Auto users



Support for the community (services and actors)

- Public version of Gene-Auto
 - Since the beginning of 2009 with Gene-Auto v2.4.2
 - GPL licensed
 - Freely downloadable in source and binary forms
 - Maintained by IB Krates, Alyotech and FeRIA
- New features and bug-fixes
 - Funding by former consortium members (Airbus, Astrium, FeRIA, IB Krates)
 - Development from new projects (AdaCore, IB Krates)
- Integration of external contributions
- Public releases 2-3 times per year

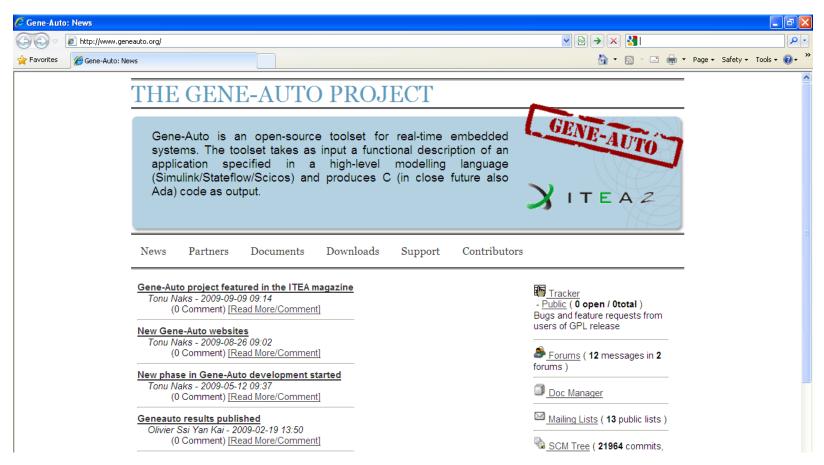


Support for the community (channels)

- Support provided through the GForge website
 - Public forums
 - Public mailing list
 - Public tracker
 - Public documentation (published papers, user requirements, toolset requirements, user manuals, tool qualification plan user template, public case studies ...)
 - Public releases
- www.geneauto.org
 - Frontend to the GForge collaborative site highlights essential information and guides to detailed information either in GForge or Gene-Auto Pro site



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Commercial support

- Dedicated development and support contracts
 - IB Krates, Alyotech
- Gene-Auto Pro
 - geneauto.krates.ee, IB Krates
 - Flat-fee based maintenance scheme
 - Access to the latest developments (development snapshots and releases)
 - Knowledgebase, FAQ, detailed user manuals
 - E-mail and phone support
 - Task database (Customised front-end for gPM) (not yet available)
 - Vote on CCB (Change Control Board)
 - Testing framework and extra tools (not yet available)



Gene-Auto PRO





Gene-Auto PRO subscription levels

- Gene-auto Pro registered user (free)
 - Access to knowledgebase (public)
 - Access to error reporting module (read only)
- Subscriber silver
 - Access to knowledgebase (pro+public)
 - Access to latest releases and development snapshots
 - Access to documentation
 - Access to error reporting module (read-write)
- Subscriber gold
 - Vote on CCB
 - Unlimited e-mail support
- Subscriber platinum
 - Dedicated budget
 - Phone support



Change Control Board (CCB)

- All changes are coordinated by the CCB
- CCB is a virtual body composed of
 - End users with active maintenance contract
 - Gene-Auto PRO subscribers
 - Representatives of developers
- CCB meetings
 - Determine the priorities of toolset development
 - Approve, postpone or reject proposed changes

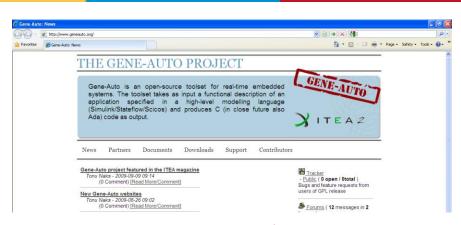


Future

- Ada backend
 - Estimated beta version by the end of 2009
- Potential additions
 - SysML importer, Simulink exporter,
 - Support for a subset of the Matlab language
 - Verification tools
 - Optimisation, target adaptation
- Supporting infrastructure
- Qualification data preparation
- Increasing the robustness of the tool
- Growing the user base



Thank you!



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