

1. Overview

This document provides a complete overall picture of bridging between Grafcet, Petri Net and PNML. It also provides an overview of the whole transformation sequence that enables to produce an XML Petri net representation (in the PNML format [1]) from a textual definition of a Grafcet and in the opposite way.

So this document describes how bridges between Grafcet, Petri Net and PNML have been built, using a model transformation language ATL. This construction is composed of five steps:

- Grafcet Models conforming to its metamodel are injected from a textual definition of the grafcet by means of a TCS (Textual Concrete Syntax) program (this part is out of the scope of the document).
- A transformation from Grafcet in their Petri Net equivalent and inverse: the Grafcet – Petri Net Bridge.
- A transformation from Petri Net generated with Grafcet in their PNML equivalent and inverse: the Petri Net - PNML Bridge.
- A transformation from PNML generated with Petri Net in their XML equivalent and inverse: the PNML - XML Bridge.
- As a final step, the XML model is extracted to the textual XML representation using an ATL query.

The next sections will explain the different steps to realize these bridges between Grafcet, Petri Net, PNML and XML. Section 2 presents all metamodels; Section 3 explains all bridges and their transformations.

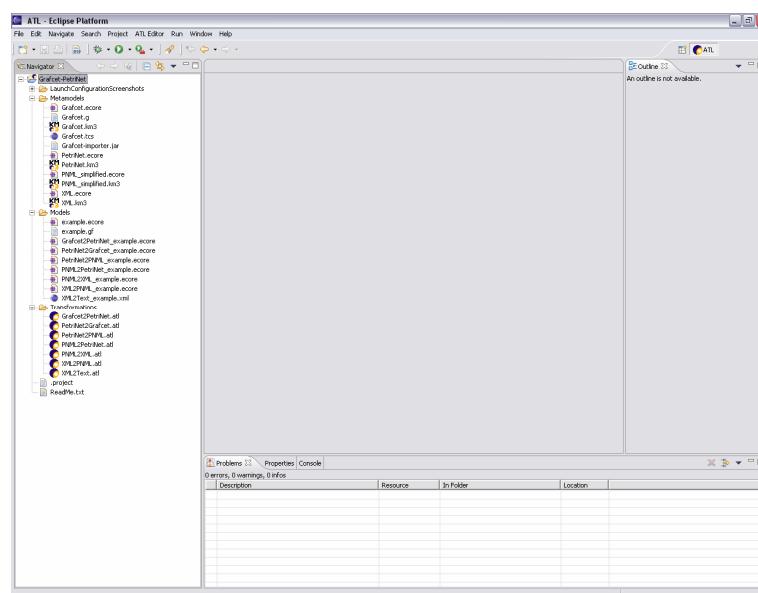


Figure 1 - ATL project overview

2. Metamodels

2.1. Grafcet

2.1.1. Generalities about Grafcet

Grafcet is a mainly French-based representation support for discrete system. It is a mode of representation and analysis of an automatism, particularly adapted to sequential systems with evolution, i.e. decomposable in steps. The Grafcet's name came from «graph» because this model had a graphic basis, and AFCET (Association française de cybernétique économique et technique) from the scientific association which supported it. The Grafcet represents graphically the operation of an automatism by: steps with associated action, transitions between steps, and directed connections between the steps and the transitions.

2.1.2. A simplified metamodel of Grafcet

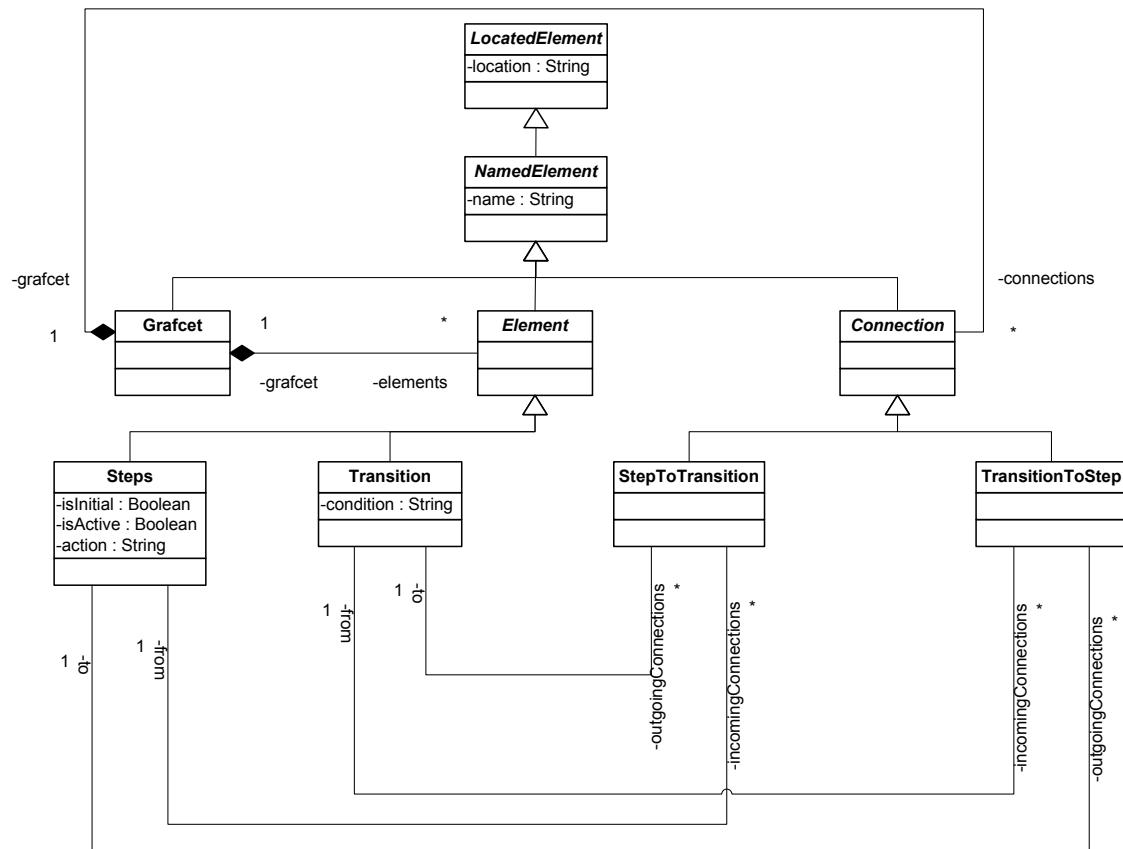


Figure 2 - Grafcet metamodel

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Description of this metamodel:

- “Grafset”: the main or root element which represent a grafset,
- It is composed of elements and connections which are abstract class,
- Elements are “Step” or “Transition”,
- Connections are “StepToTransition” or “TransitionToStep”,
- Steps and transitions can have many incoming or outgoing connections.

2.2. Petri Net

2.2.1. Generalities about Petri Net

Petri nets are also known as a place/transition net or P/T net. Defined in 1962 by Carl Adam Petri, they extend state machines with a notion of concurrency. It is a graphical and mathematical representation of discrete distributed systems. Petri nets consist of places, transitions and directed arcs that connect them, so arcs run between places and transitions, not between places and places or transitions and transitions. There are two sorts of arcs connecting place to transition or transition to place.

2.2.2. A simplified metamodel of Petri Net

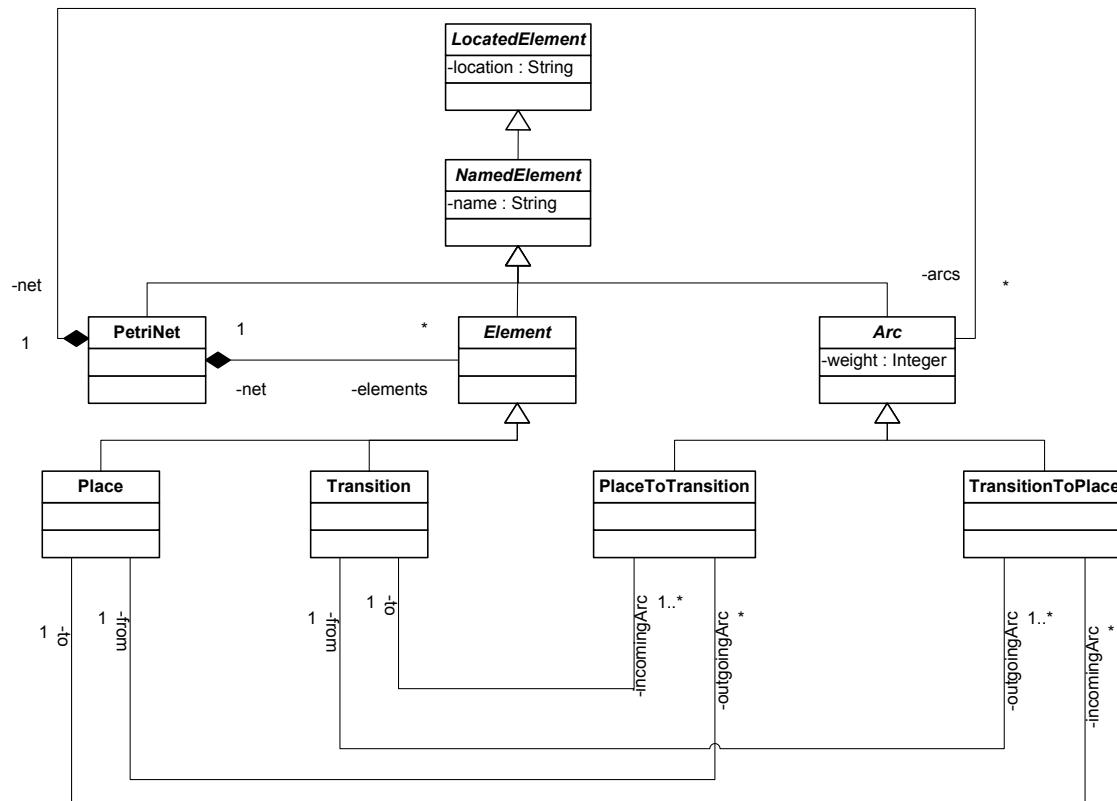


Figure 3 - Petri Net metamodel

Description of the basic metamodel:

- “PetriNet”: the main or root element which represent a Petri net,
- It is composed of elements and arcs which are abstract class,
- Elements are “Place” or “Transition”,
- Arcs are “PlaceToTransition” or “TransitionToPlace”,
- Places and transitions can have many incoming or outgoing arcs.

2.3. PNML

2.3.1. Generalities about PNML

The Petri Net Markup Language (PNML) is a proposal of an XML-based interchange format for Petri nets (see [1]). Originally, it was intended to serve as a file format for the Java version of the Petri Net Kernel. PNML is a concept for defining the overall structure of a Petri net file.

2.3.2. A simplified metamodel of PNML

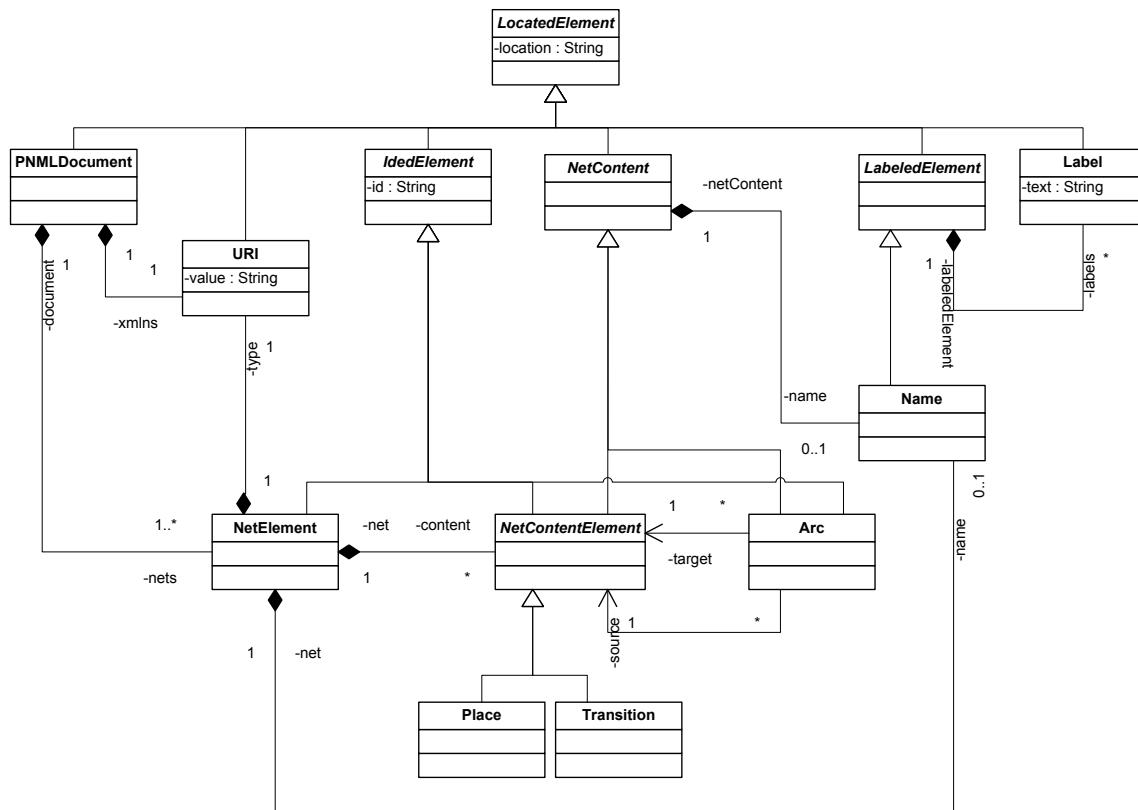


Figure 4 - PNML metamodel

Description of the simplified metamodel:

- “PNMLDocument”: the main or root element which contains Petri nets,
- “NetElement” represents the Petri net; it is composed of “NetContent” which are “Arc”, “Place” and “Transition”.
- Arcs reference a source and a target (“Place” or “Transition”) but the two kinds of arcs are not differentiated in this model (PlaceToTransition and TransitionToPlace).
- Net elements and net contents can have a name which is a labelled element composed of labels.

2.4. XML

The XML metamodel describes the different model elements that compose a XML model, as well as the way they can be linked to each other. The considered metamodel is presented in Figure 7. It is moreover provided in KM3 format [2] in Appendix V.

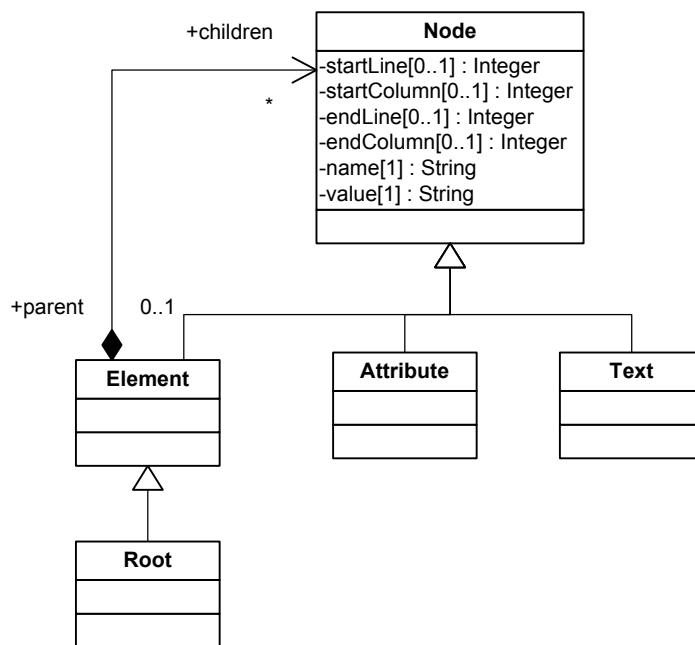


Figure 5 - XML metamodel

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Description of the basic metamodel:

A XML model has a single Root element. It also contains Elements, Texts, Attributes entities. The Attribute, Text and Element elements all directly inherit from the abstract Node element, whereas Root inherits from the Element entity. The following attributes are defined for the abstract Node entity: "startLine", "startColumn", "endLine", "endColumn", "name" and "value". In the scope of this example, we only make use of the two last attributes, "name" and "value". In case of an Attribute entity, "name" encodes the name of the attribute, whereas "value" contains the value associated with the Attribute. In case of a Text entity, "value" contains the textual content of the Text. Finally, considering an Element entity, "name" encodes the name of the modelled XML tag.

An Element can contain several Nodes, which can be either of type Attribute, Text or Element. Inversely, a Node can be contained by zero or one Element. In fact, each Node is contained by an Element except the Root element which has no parent.

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3. Bridges

3.1. The Grafcet – Petri Net Bridge

3.1.1. Grafcet to Petri Net Transformation

In order to realize the bridge, and as there is no markup language for Grafcet, we need a textual input file. So, the Grafcet model is imported to a textual representation by means of a TCS (Textual Concrete Syntax) program. This part is not documented in this document.

3.1.1.1. Description of the Transformation

This transformation takes a Grafcet model conforming to our Grafcet metamodel and maps all Grafcet's features to Petri Net. In fact the two metamodels of Grafcet and Petri Net are very close. So this transformation is quite easy. The ATL code for this transformation consists of 5 rules and no helpers.

Rules:

- The **PetriNet** rule generates a PetriNet element from the input Grafcet element. The name of the generated PetriNet element is copied from the one of the input Grafcet. Its set of Elements corresponds to Elements generated by Place and Transition rules. And its set of Arcs corresponds to Connections generated by PlaceToTransition and TransitionToPlace rules.
- The **Place** rule generates a Place element from the input Step element. The name of the generated Place element is copied from the one of the input Step. Its set of incomingArcs corresponds to incomingConnections generated by TransitionToPlace rule. And its set of outgoingArc corresponds to outgoingConnections generated by PlaceToTransition rule.
- The **Transition** rule generates a Transition element from the input Transition element. The name of the generated Transition element is copied from the one of the input Transition. Its set of incomingArcs corresponds to incomingConnections generated by PlaceToTransition rule. And its set of outgoingArc corresponds to outgoingConnections generated by TransitionToPlace rule.
- The **PlaceToTransition** rule generates a PlaceToTransition element from the input StepToTransition element. The name of the generated PlaceToTransition element is copied from the one of the input StepToTransition. Its *from* and *to* references are also copied from the ones of the input StepToTransition.
- The **TransitionToPlace** rule generates a TransitionToPlace element from the input TransitionToStep element. The name of the generated TransitionToPlace element is copied from the one of the input TransitionToStep. Its *from* and *to* references are also copied from the ones of the input TransitionToStep.

3.1.1.2. ATL Code

```

1  module Grafcet2PetriNet;
2  create OUT : PetriNet from IN : Grafcet;
3
4  -- The PetriNet rule generates a PetriNet element from the input Grafcet
5  element.
6  -- Name of the generated PetriNet element is copied from the one of the
7  input Grafcet.
8  -- Its set of Elements corresponds to Elements generated by Place and
9  Transition rules.
10 -- And its set of Arcs corresponds to Connections generated by
11 PlaceToTransition and TransitionToPlace rules.
12 rule PetriNet {
13     from
14         g : Grafcet!Grafcet
15     to
16         p : PetriNet!PetriNet
17         (
18             location <- g.location,
19             name <- g.name,
20             elements <- g.elements,
21             arcs <- g.connections
22         )
23     }
24
25 -- The Place rule generates a Place element from the input Step element.
26 -- Name of the generated Place element is copied from the one of the input
27 Step.
28 -- Its set of incomingArcs corresponds to incomingConnections generated by
29 TransitionToPlace rule.
30 -- And its set of outgoingArc corresponds to outgoingConnections generated
31 by PlaceToTransition rule.
32 rule Place {
33     from
34         g : Grafcet!Step
35     to
36         p : PetriNet!Place
37         (
38             location <- g.location,
39             name <- g.name,
40             net <- g.grafcet,
41             incomingArc <- g.incomingConnections,
42             outgoingArc <- g.outgoingConnections
43         )
44     }
45
46 -- The Transition rule generates a Transition element from the input
47 Transition element.
48 -- Name of the generated Transition element is copied from the one of the
49 input Transition.
50 -- Its set of incomingArcs corresponds to incomingConnections generated by
51 PlaceToTransition rule.

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52 -- And its set of outgoingArc corresponds to outgoingConnections generated
53 by TransitionToPlace rule.
54 rule Transition {
55   from
56     g : Grafset!Transition
57   to
58     p : PetriNet!Transition
59   (
60     location <- g.location,
61     name <- g.name,
62     net <- g.grafset,
63     incomingArc <- g.incomingConnections,
64     outgoingArc <- g.outgoingConnections
65   )
66 }
67
68 -- The PlaceToTransition rule generates a PlaceToTransition element from
69 the input StepToTransition element.
70 -- Name of the generated PlaceToTransition element is copied from the one
71 of the input StepToTransition.
72 -- Its from and to references are also copied from the ones of the input
73 StepToTransition.
74 rule PlaceToTransition {
75   from
76     g : Grafset!StepToTransition
77   to
78     p : PetriNet!PlaceToTransition
79   (
80     location <- g.location,
81     name <- g.name,
82     net <- g.grafset,
83     "from" <- g."from",
84     "to" <- g."to"
85   )
86 }
87 -- The TransitionToPlace rule generates a TransitionToPlace element from
88 the input TransitionToStep element.
89 -- Name of the generated TransitionToPlace element is copied from the one
90 of the input TransitionToStep.
91 -- Its from and to references are also copied from the ones of the input
92 TransitionToStep.
93 rule TransitionToPlace {
94   from
95     g : Grafset!TransitionToStep
96   to
97     p : PetriNet!TransitionToPlace
98   (
99     location <- g.location,
100    name <- g.name,
101    net <- g.grafset,
102    "from" <- g."from",
103    "to" <- g."to"
104   )
105 }
```

3.1.1.3. Configuration of the Transformation

As illustrated by the transformation configuration's Figure 6 and Figure 7, there is one input metamodel (Grafcet) and one output (Petri Net). In Path Editor, place in "Grafcet" the path of the Grafcet metamodel; do the same for "PetriNet". In "IN" place the path of an Ecore file (a model conforming to our Grafcet metamodel in Ecore format), and in "OUT" the path for the results (the generated file is an Ecore file conforming to the Petri Net metamodel).

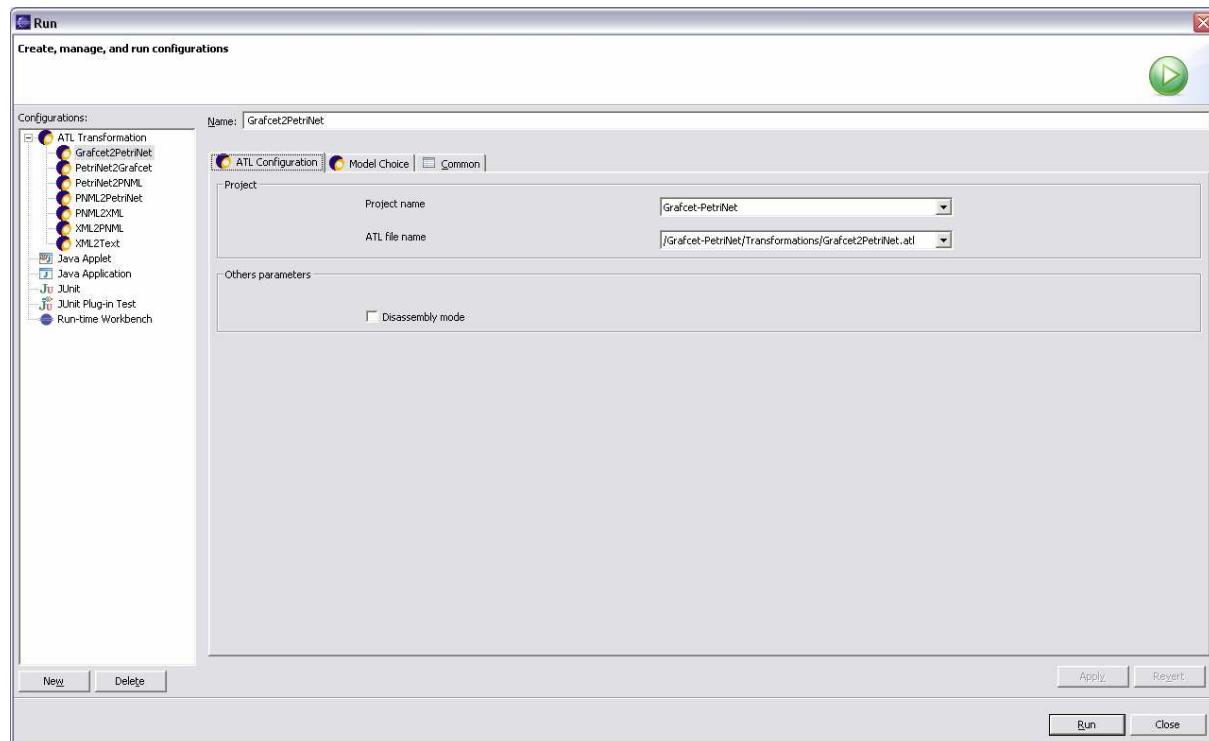


Figure 6 - Grafcet to Petri Net configuration - part one

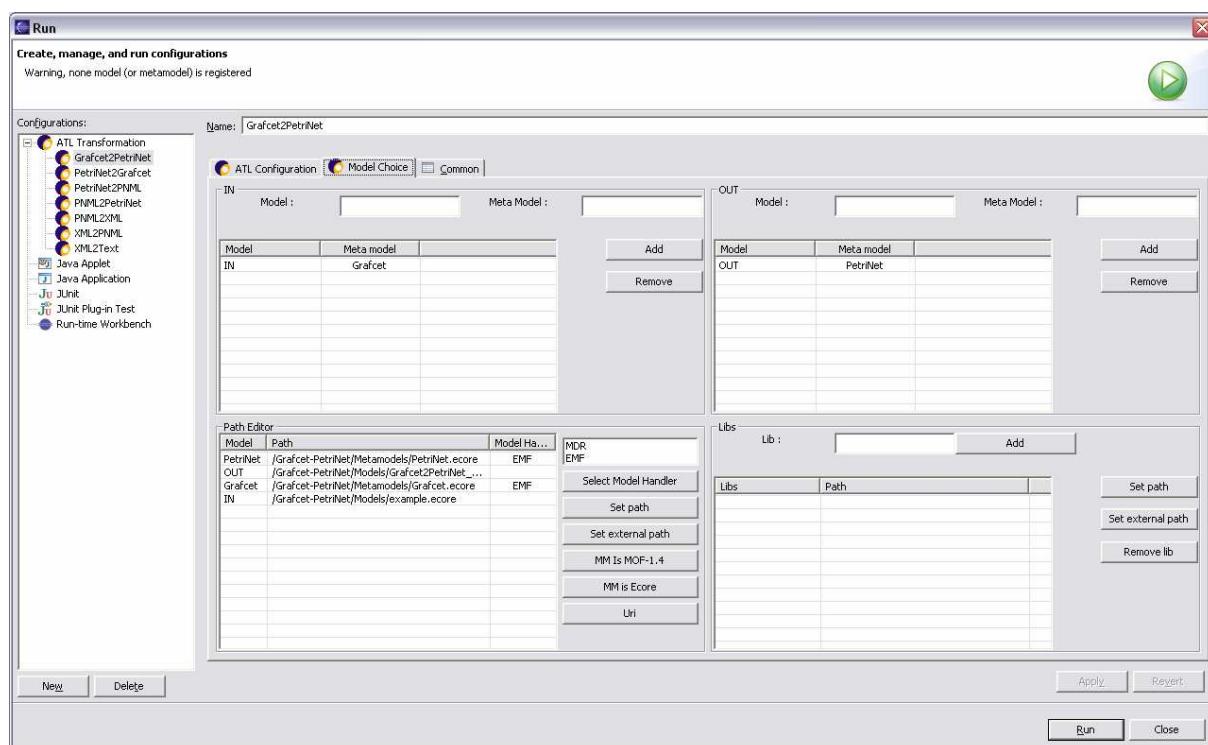


Figure 7 - Grafcet to Petri Net configuration - part two

3.1.2. Petri Net to Grafcet Transformation

3.1.2.1. Description of the Transformation

As two metamodels of Grafcet and Petri Net are very close, this transformation is very similar to the previous one. The ATL code for the Petri Net to Grafcet transformation also consists of 5 rules and no helpers. All the rules are identical, only the input elements became output elements and in the reverse way.

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Rules:

- The **Grafcet** rule generates a Grafcet element from the input Petri Net element. The name of the generated Grafcet element is copied from the one of the input Petri Net. Its set of Elements corresponds to Elements generated by Step and Transition rules. And its set of Connections corresponds to Arcs generated by StepToTransition and TransitionToStep rules.
- The **Step** rule generates a Step element from the input Place element. The name of the generated Step element is copied from the one of the input Place. Its set of incomingConnections corresponds to incomingArcs generated by TransitionToStep rule. And its set of outgoingConnections corresponds to outgoingArc generated by StepToTransition rule.
- The **Transition** rule generates a Transition element from the input Transition element. The name of the generated Transition element is copied from the one of the input Transition. Its set of incomingConnections corresponds to incomingArcs generated by StepToTransition rule. And its set of outgoingConnections corresponds to outgoingArc generated by TransitionToStep rule.
- The **StepToTransition** rule generates a StepToTransition element from the input PlaceToTransition element. The name of the generated StepToTransition element is copied from the one of the input PlaceToTransition. Its *from* and *to* references are also copied from the ones of the input PlaceToTransition.
- The **TransitionToStep** rule generates a TransitionToStep element from the input TransitionToPlace element. The name of the generated TransitionToStep element is copied from the one of the input TransitionToPlace. Its *from* and *to* references are also copied from the ones of the input TransitionToPlace.

3.1.2.2. ATL Code

```

1 module PetriNet2Grafcet;
2 create OUT : Grafcet from IN : PetriNet;
3
4 -- The Grafcet rule generates a Grafcet element from the input Petri Net
5 element.
6 -- Name of the generated Grafcet element is copied from the one of the
7 input Petri Net.
8 -- Its set of Elements corresponds to Elements generated by Step and
9 Transition rules.
10 -- And its set of Connections corresponds to Arcs generated by
11 StepToTransition and TransitionToStep rules.
12 rule Grafcet {
13   from
14     p : PetriNet!PetriNet
15
16   to g : Grafcet!Grafcet
17   (
18     location <- p.location,
19     name <- p.name,
20     elements <- p.elements,
21     connections <- p.arcs
22   )
23 }
```

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24
25 -- The Step rule generates a Step element from the input Place element.
26 -- Name of the generated Step element is copied from the one of the input
27 Place.
28 -- Its set of incomingConnections corresponds to incomingArcs generated by
29 TransitionToStep rule.
30 -- And its set of outgoingConnections corresponds to outgoingArc generated
31 by StepToTransition rule.
32 rule Step {
33     from
34         p : PetriNet!Place
35     to
36         g : Grafset!Step
37     (
38         location <- p.location,
39         name <- p.name,
40         grafset <- p.net,
41         isInitial <- false,
42         isActive <- false,
43         incomingConnections <- p.incomingArc,
44         outgoingConnections <- p.outgoingArc
45     )
46 }
47
48 -- The Transition rule generates a Transition element from the input
49 Transition element.
50 -- Name of the generated Transition element is copied from the one of the
51 input Transition.
52 -- Its set of incomingConnections corresponds to incomingArcs generated by
53 StepToTransition rule.
54 -- And its set of outgoingConnections corresponds to outgoingArc generated
55 by TransitionToStep rule.
56 rule Transition {
57     from
58         p : PetriNet!Transition
59
60     to
61         g : Grafset!Transition
62     (
63         location <- p.location,
64         name <- p.name,
65         grafset <- p.net,
66         incomingConnections <- p.incomingArc,
67         outgoingConnections <- p.outgoingArc
68     )
69 }
70
71 -- The StepToTransition rule generates a StepToTransition element from the
72 input PlaceToTransition element.
73 -- Name of the generated StepToTransition element is copied from the one of
74 the input PlaceToTransition.
75 -- Its from and to references are also copied from the ones of the input
76 PlaceToTransition.
77 rule StepToTransition {

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```

78   from
79     p : PetriNet!PlaceToTransition
80   to
81     g : Grafset!StepToTransition
82   (
83     location <- p.location,
84     name <- p.name,
85     grafset <- p.net,
86     "from" <- p."from",
87     "to" <- p."to"
88   )
89 }
90
91 -- The TransitionToStep rule generates a TransitionToStep element from the
92 input TransitionToPlace element.
93 -- Name of the generated TransitionToStep element is copied from the one of
94 the input TransitionToPlace.
95 -- Its from and to references are also copied from the ones of the input
96 TransitionToPlace.
97 rule TransitionToStep {
98   from
99     p : PetriNet!TransitionToPlace
100   to
101     g : Grafset!TransitionToStep
102   (
103     location <- p.location,
104     name <- p.name,
105     grafset <- p.net,
106     "from" <- p."from",
107     "to" <- p."to"
108   )
109 }
```

3.1.2.3. Configuration of the Transformation

As illustrated by the transformation configuration's Figure 8 and Figure 9, there is one input metamodel (Petri Net) and one output (Grafcet). In Path Editor, place in "PetriNet" the path of the Petri net metamodel; do the same for "Grafcet". In "IN" place the path of an Ecore file (a model conforming to our Petri net metamodel in Ecore format), and in "OUT" the path for the results (the generated file is an Ecore file conforming to the Grafcet metamodel).

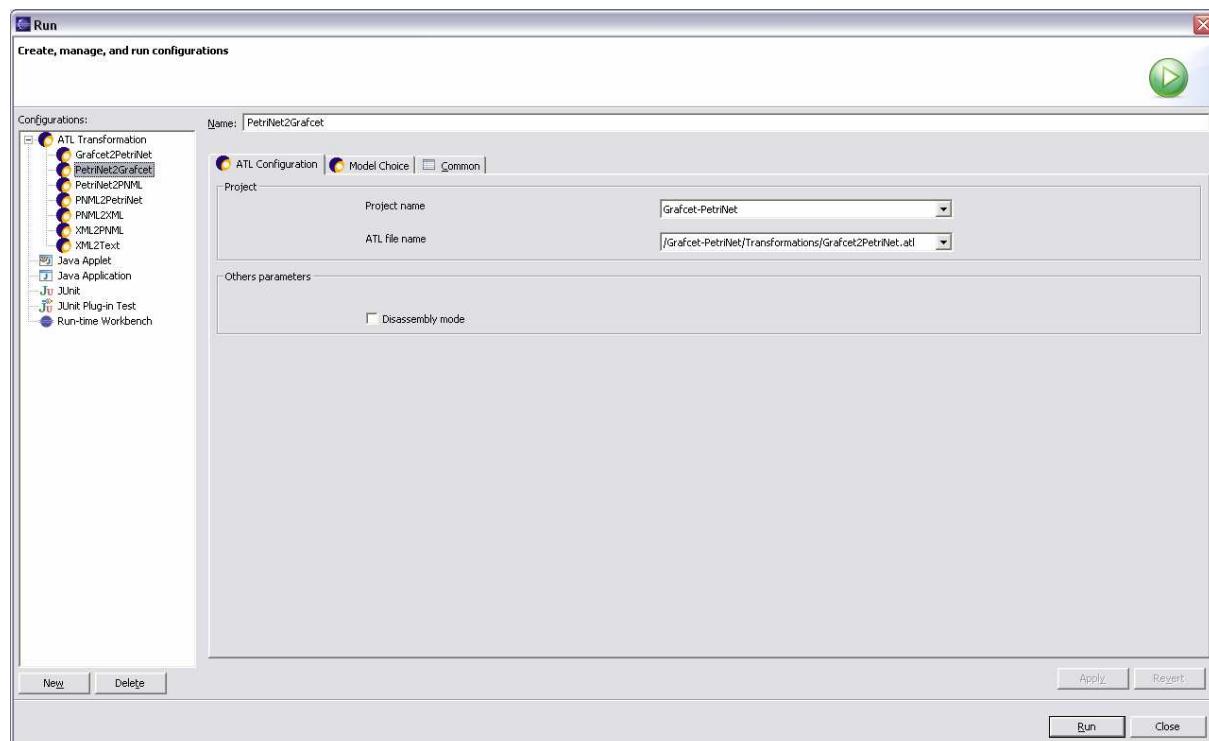


Figure 8 - Petri Net to Grafcet configuration - part one

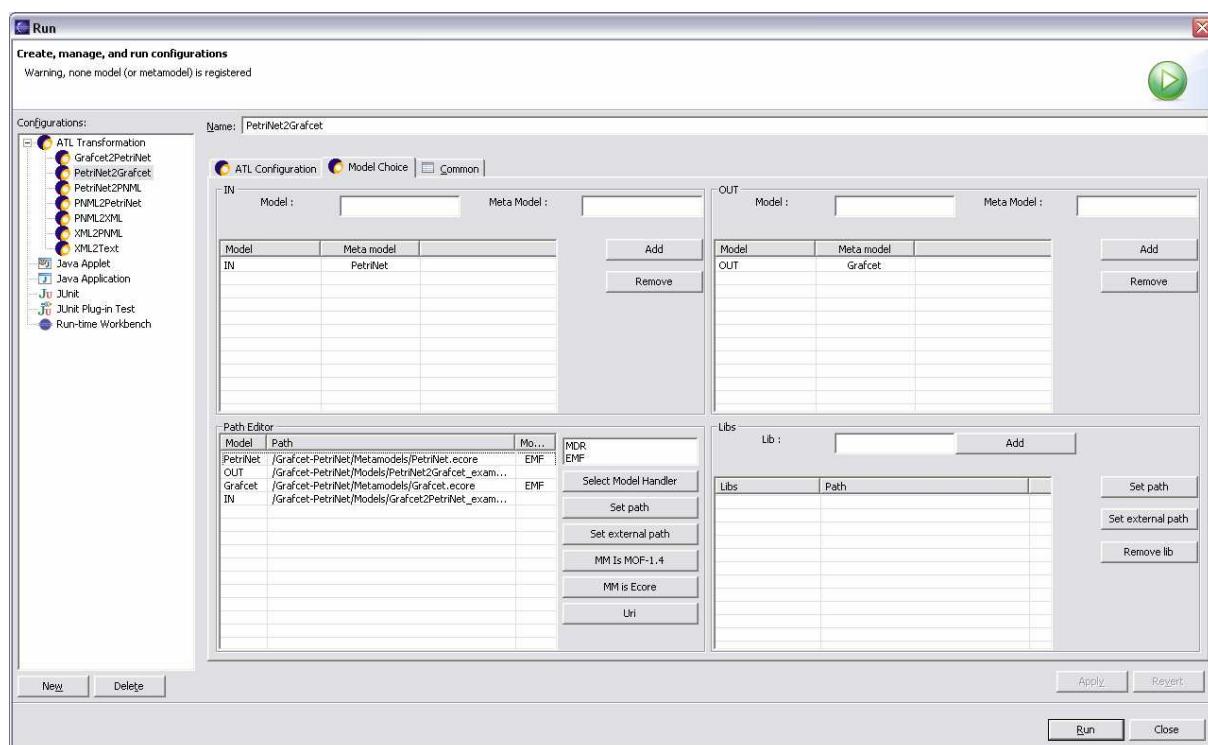


Figure 9 - Petri Net to Grafcet configuration - part two

3.2. The Petri Net - PNML Bridge

3.2.1. Petri Net to PNML Transformation

3.2.1.1. Description of the Transformation

The ATL code for the Grafcet to Petri Net transformation consists of 4 rules and no helpers. In fact the two metamodels of Grafcet and Petri Net are quite close. So this transformation is quite easy.

Rules:

- The **PNMLDocument** rule generates a PNMLDocument and the NetElement which corresponds to the input PetriNet element. The name of the generated NetElement is copied from the one of the input PetriNet, by creating a PNML Name composed of a PNML Label which value is initialized by the PetriNet name. Its set of Contents corresponds to the union of the PetriNet Elements and Arcs.
- The **Place** rule generates a Place corresponds to the input PetriNet Place element. The name of the generated Place is copied from the one of the input Place, by creating a PNML Name composed of a PNML Label which value is initialized by the PetriNet Place name.
- The **Transition** rule generates a Transition corresponds to the input PetriNet Transition element. The name of the generated Transition is copied from the one of the input Transition, by creating a PNML Name composed of a PNML Label which value is initialized by the PetriNet Transition name.

- The **Arc** rule generates a Arc corresponds to the input PetriNet Arc element (TransitionToPlace and PlaceToTransition). The name of the generated Arc is copied from the one of the input Arc, by creating a PNML Name composed of a PNML Label which value is initialized by the PetriNet Arc name. Its *source* and *target* references are also copied from the input Arc and correspond respectively to *from* and *to* references.

3.2.1.2. ATL Code

```

1  module PetriNet2PNML;
2  create OUT : PNML from IN : PetriNet;
3
4  -- The PNMLDocument rule generates a PNMLDocument and the NetElement which
5  corresponds to the input PetriNet element.
6  -- Name of the generated NetElement is copied from the one of the input
7  PetriNet, by creating a PNML Name composed of a PNML Label which value is
8  initialized by the PetriNet name.
9  -- Its set of Contents corresponds to the union of the PetriNet Elements
10 and Arcs.
11 rule PNMLDocument {
12     from
13         e : PetriNet!PetriNet
14     to
15         n : PNML!PNMLDocument
16         (
17             location <- e.location,
18             xmlns <- uri,
19             nets <- net
20         ),
21         uri : PNML!URI
22         (
23             value <- 'http://www.informatik.hu-berlin.de/top/pnml/ptNetb'
24         ),
25         net : PNML!NetElement
26         (
27             name <- name,
28             location <- e.location,
29             id <- e.location,
30             type <- type_uri,
31             contents <- e.elements.union(e.arcs)
32         ),
33         name : PNML!Name
34         (
35             labels <- label
36         ),
37         label : PNML!Label
38         (
39             text <- e.name
40         ),
41         type_uri : PNML!URI
42         (
43             value <- 'http://www.informatik.hu-berlin.de/top/pntd/ptNetb'
44         )
45     }
46

```

```

47 -- The Place rule generates a Place corresponds to the input PetriNet Place
48 element.
49 -- Name of the generated Place is copied from the one of the input Place,
50 by creating a PNML Name composed of a PNML Label which value is initialized
51 by the PetriNet Place name.
52 rule Place {
53   from
54     e : PetriNet!Place
55   to
56     n : PNML!Place
57     (
58       name <- name,
59       id <- e.name,
60       location <- e.location
61     ),
62     name : PNML!Name
63     (
64       labels <- label
65     ),
66     label : PNML!Label
67     (
68       text <- e.name
69     )
70 }
71
72 -- The Transition rule generates a Transition corresponds to the input
73 PetriNet Transition element.
74 -- Name of the generated Transition is copied from the one of the input
75 Transition, by creating a PNML Name composed of a PNML Label which value is
76 initialized by the PetriNet Transition name.
77 rule Transition {
78   from
79     e : PetriNet!Transition
80   to
81     n : PNML!Transition
82     (
83       name <- name,
84       id <- e.name,
85       location <- e.location
86     ),
87     name : PNML!Name
88     (
89       labels <- label
90     ),
91     label : PNML!Label
92     (
93       text <- e.name
94     )
95 }
96
97 -- The Arc rule generates a Arc corresponds to the input PetriNet Arc
98 element (TransitionToPlace and PlaceToTransition).

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```

99  -- Name of the generated Arc is copied from the one of the input Arc, by
100 creating a PNML Name composed of a PNML Label which value is initialized by
101 the PetriNet Arc name.
102 -- Its source and target references are also copied from the input Arc and
103 correspond respectively to the from and to references.
104 rule Arc {
105     from
106         e : PetriNet!Arc
107     to
108         n : PNML!Arc
109         (
110             name <- name,
111             location <- e.location,
112             id <- e.name,
113             source <- e."from",
114             target <- e."to"
115         ),
116         name : PNML!Name
117         (
118             labels <- label
119         ),
120         label : PNML!Label
121         (
122             text <- e.name
123         )
124     }

```

3.2.1.3. Configuration of the Transformation

As illustrated by the transformation configuration's Figure 10 and Figure 11, there is one input metamodel (Petri Net) and one output (PNML). In Path Editor, place in "PetriNet" the path of the Petri net metamodel; do the same for "PNML". In "IN" place the path of an Ecore file (a model conforming to our Petri net metamodel in Ecore format), and in "OUT" the path for the results (the generated file is an Ecore file conforming to the PNML metamodel).

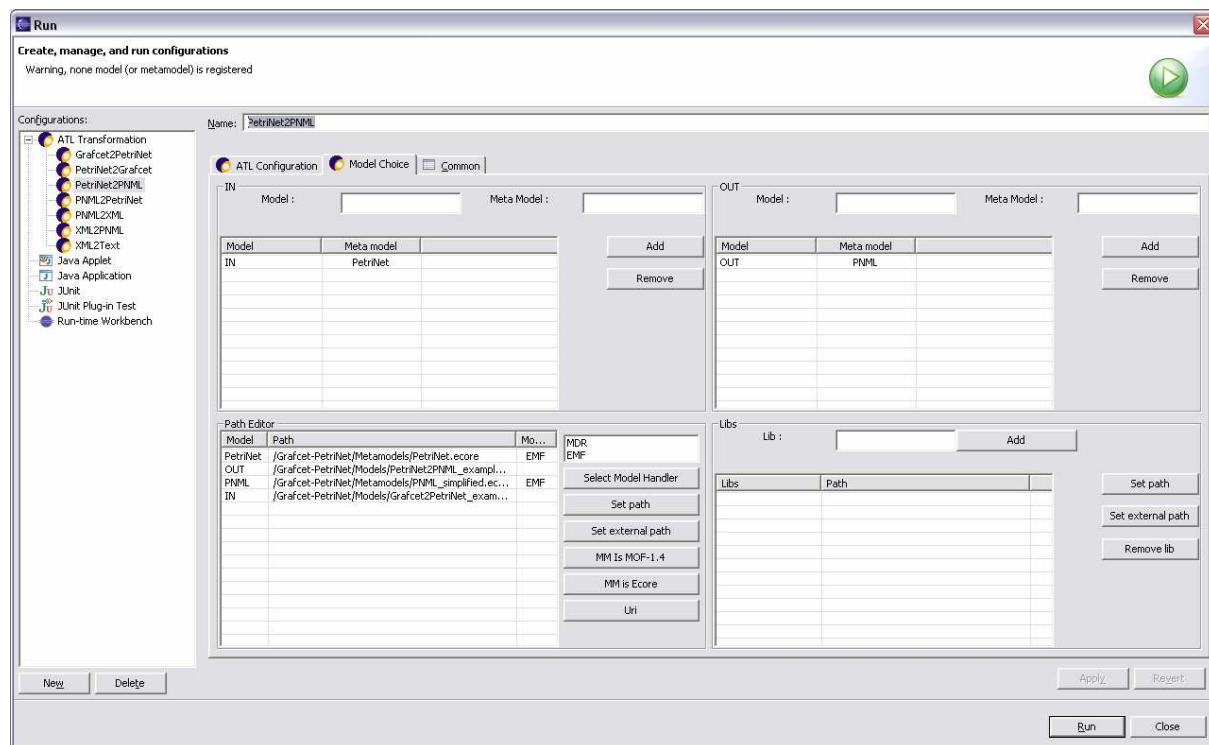


Figure 10 - Petri Net to PNML configuration - part one

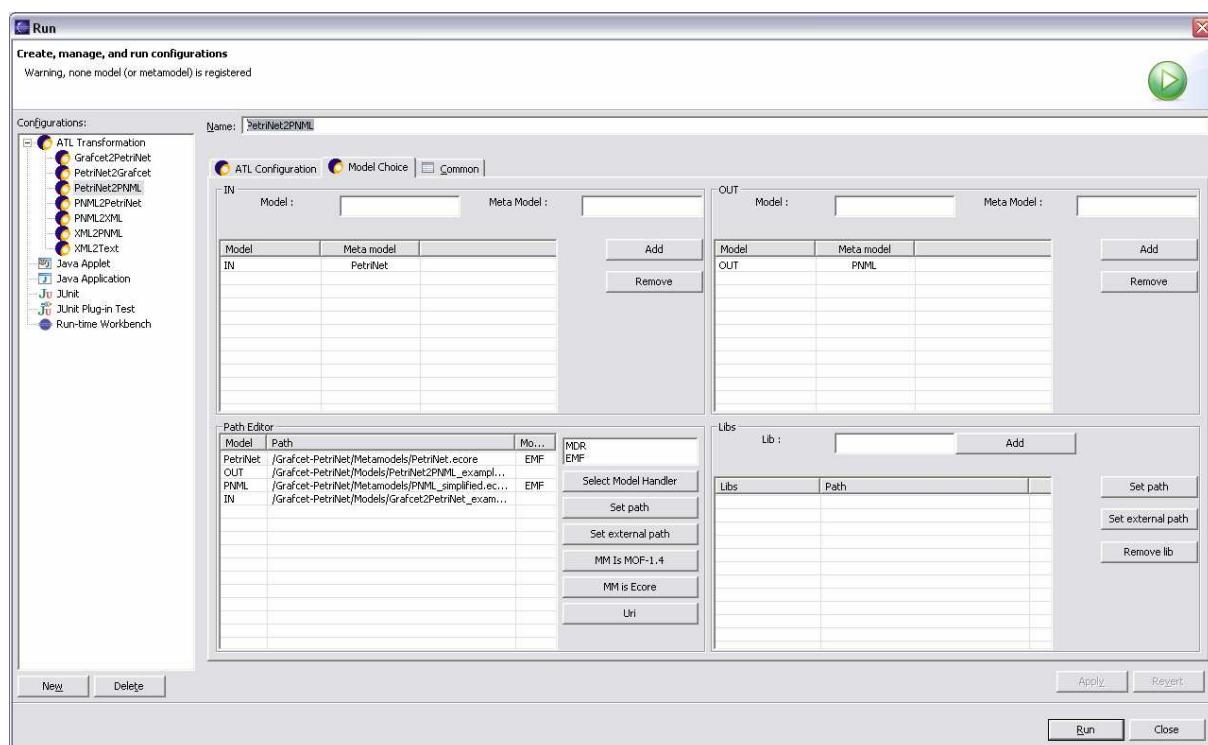


Figure 11 - Petri Net to PNML configuration - part two

3.2.2. PNML to Petri Net Transformation

3.2.2.1. Description of the Transformation

The ATL code for the Grafcet to Petri Net transformation consists of 5 rules and no helpers. In fact the two metamodels of Grafcet and Petri Net are quite close. So this transformation is quite easy.

Rules:

- The **PetriNet** rule generates a PetriNet which corresponds to the input NetElement included in the PNMLDocument. The name of the generated PetriNet is copied from the one of the input NetElement, by recovering the value of the PNML Label included in the PNML Name of the NetElement. Its set of Elements is the corresponding set named “elementsSet” calculated in the using clause. And its set of Arcs is the corresponding set named “arcsSet” calculated in the using clause.
- The **Place** rule generates a Place which corresponds to the input Place. The name of the generated Place is copied from the one of the input Place, by recovering the value of the PNML Label included in the PNML Name of the PNML Place.
- The **Transition** rule generates a Transition which corresponds to the input Transition. The name of the generated Transition is copied from the one of the input Transition, by recovering the value of the PNML Label included in the PNML Name of the PNML Transition.
- The **PlaceToTransition** rule generates a PlaceToTransition which corresponds to the input Arc which has a Place for source and a Transition for Target. The name of the generated PlaceToTransition is copied from the one of the input Arc, by recovering the value of the

PNML Label included in the PNML Name of the PNML Arc. Its *from* and *to* references are also copied from the input Arc and correspond respectively to the *source* and *target* references.

- The **TransitionToPlace** rule generates a TransitionToPlace which corresponds to the input Arc which has a Transition for source and a Place for Target. The name of the generated TransitionToPlace is copied from the one of the input Arc, by recovering the value of the PNML Label included in the PNML Name of the PNML Arc. Its *from* and *to* references are also copied from the input Arc and correspond respectively to the *source* and *target* references.

3.2.2.2. ATL Code

```

1  module PNML2PetriNet;
2  create OUT : PetriNet from IN : PNML;
3
4  -- The PetriNet rule generates a PetriNet which corresponds to the input
5  NetElement included in the PNMLDocument.
6  -- Name of the generated PetriNet is copied from the one of the input
7  NetElement, by recovering the value of the PNML Label included in the PNML
8  Name of the NetElement.
9  -- Its set of Elements is the corresponding set named "elementsSet"
10 calculated in the using clause.
11 -- And its set of Arcs is the corresponding set named "arcsSet" calculated
12 in the using clause.
13 rule PetriNet {
14     from
15         n : PNML!PNMLDocument
16     using{
17         elementsSet : Set(PetriNet!Element) =
18             PNML!NetContentElement.allInstances();
19
20         arcsSet : Set(PetriNet!Arc) =
21             PNML!Arc.allInstances();
22     }
23     to
24         p : PetriNet!PetriNet
25     (
26         location <- n.location,
27         name <- n.nets.first().name.labels.first().text,
28         elements <- elementsSet,
29         arcs <- arcsSet
30     )
31 }
32
33 -- The Place rule generates a Place which corresponds to the input Place.
34 -- Name of the generated Place is copied from the one of the input Place ,
35 by recovering the value of the PNML Label included in the PNML Name of the
36 PNML Place.
37 rule Place {
38     from
39         n : PNML!Place
40     to
41         p : PetriNet!Place
42     (
43         location <- n.location,
```

```

44         name <- n.name.labels.first().text,
45         net <- n.net.document
46     )
47 }
48
49 -- The Transition rule generates a Transition which corresponds to the
50 input Transition .
51 -- Name of the generated Transition is copied from the one of the input
52 Transition , by recovering the value of the PNML Label included in the PNML
53 Name of the PNML Transition .
54 rule Transition {
55   from
56     n : PNML!Transition
57   to
58     p : PetriNet!Transition
59   (
60     location <- n.location,
61     name <- n.name.labels.first().text,
62     net <- n.net.document
63   )
64 }
65
66 -- The PlaceToTransition rule generates a PlaceToTransition which
67 corresponds to the input Arc which has a Place for source and a Transition
68 for Target.
69 -- Name of the generated PlaceToTransition is copied from the one of the
70 input Arc, by recovering the value of the PNML Label included in the PNML
71 Name of the PNML Arc.
72 -- Its from and to references are also copied from the input Arc and
73 correspond respectively to the source and target references.
74 rule PlaceToTransition {
75   from
76     n : PNML!Arc
77     ( -- arc source must be a place and arc target a transition
78       n.sourceoclIsKindOf(PNML!Place) and
79     n.targetoclIsKindOf(PNML!Transition)
80     )
81   to
82     p : PetriNet!PlaceToTransition
83   (
84     location <- n.location,
85     name <- n.name.labels.first().text,
86     net <- n.net.document,
87     "from" <- n.source,
88     "to" <- n.target
89   )
90 }
91
92 -- The TransitionToPlace rule generates a TransitionToPlace which
93 corresponds to the input Arc which has a Transition for source and a Place
94 for Target.
95 -- Name of the generated TransitionToPlace is copied from the one of the
96 input Arc, by recovering the value of the PNML Label included in the PNML
97 Name of the PNML Arc.

```

```

98 -- Its from and to references are also copied from the input Arc and
99 correspond respectively to the source and target references.
100 rule TransitionToPlace {
101     from
102         n : PNML!Arc
103             ( -- arc source must be a transition and arc target a place
104                 n.sourceoclIsKindOf(PNML!Transition) and
105                 n.targetoclIsKindOf(PNML!Place)
106             )
107     to
108         p : PetriNet!TransitionToPlace
109             (
110                 location <- n.location,
111                 name <- n.name.labels.first().text,
112                 net <- n.net.document,
113                 "from" <- n.source,
114                 "to" <- n.target
115             )
116     }

```

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3.2.2.3. Configuration of the Transformation

As illustrated by the transformation configuration's Figure 12 and Figure 13, there is one input metamodel (PNML) and one output (PetriNet). In Path Editor, place in "PetriNet" the path of the Petri net metamodel; do the same for "PNML". In "IN" place the path of an Ecore file (a model conforming to our PNML metamodel in Ecore format), and in "OUT" the path for the results (the generated file is an Ecore file conforming to the Petri net metamodel).

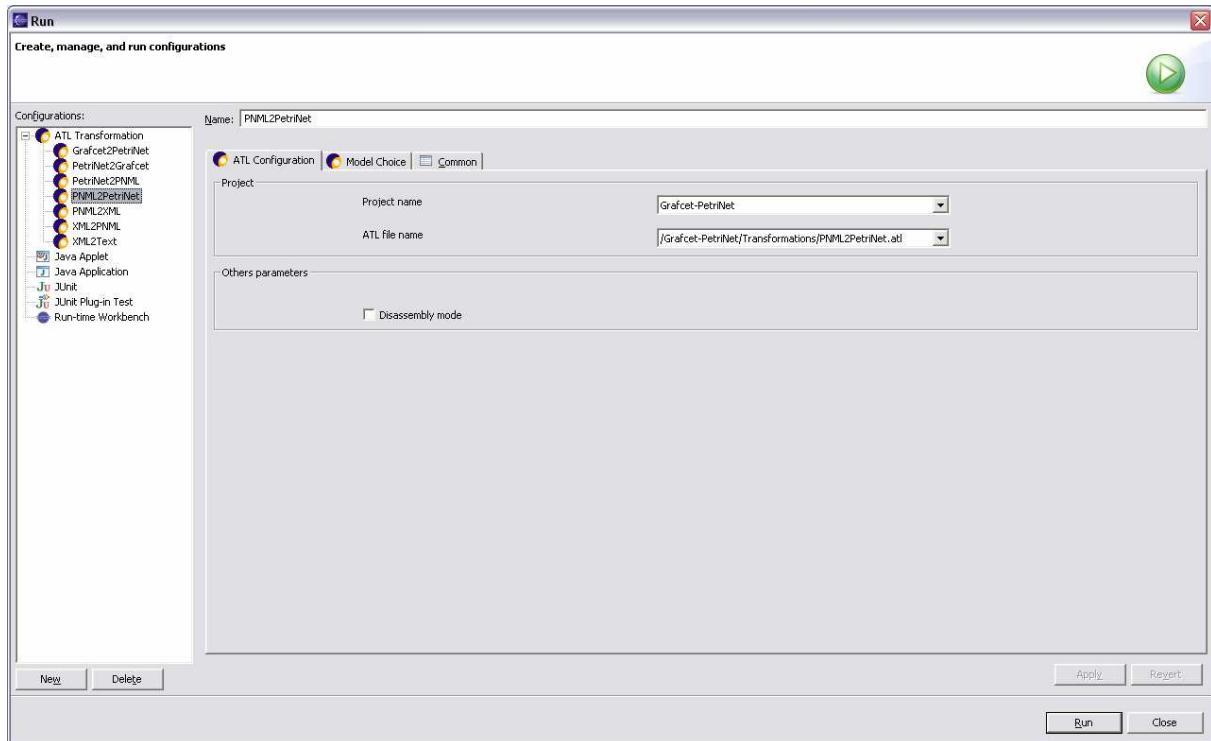


Figure 12 - PNML to Petri Net configuration - part one

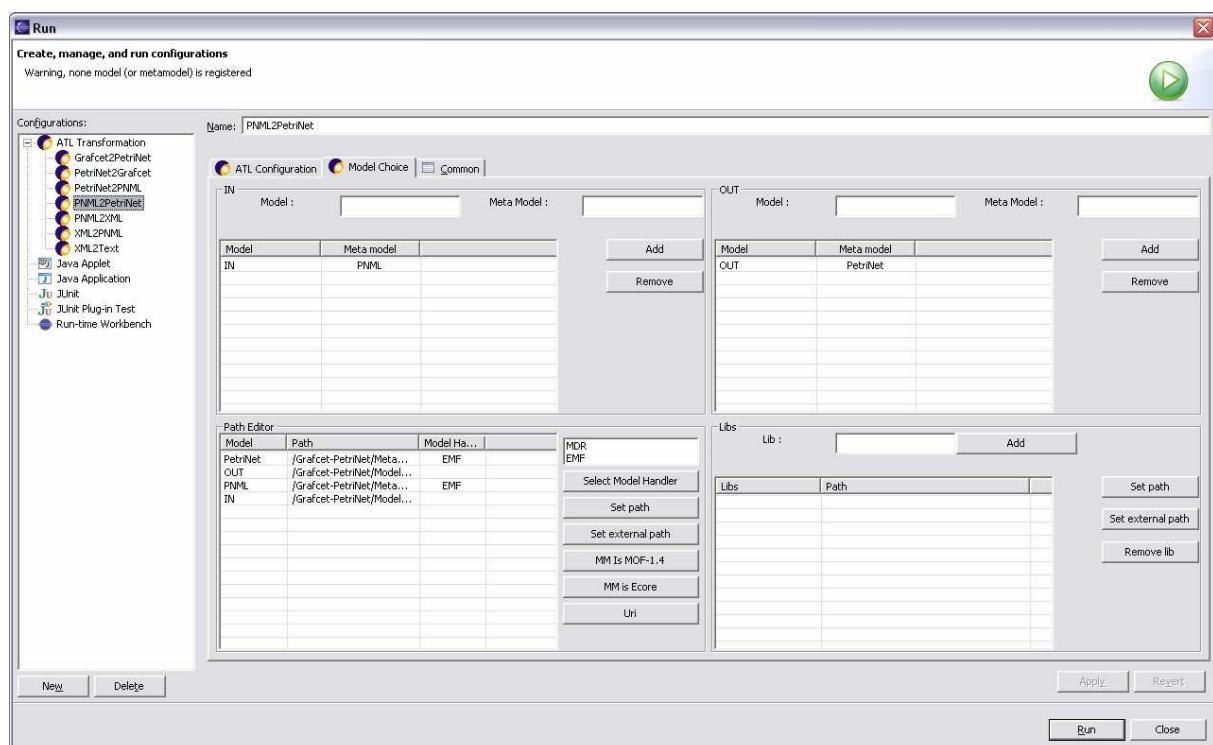


Figure 13 - PNML to Petri Net configuration - part two

3.3. The PNML - XML Bridge

3.3.1. PNML to XML Transformation: Extractor

3.3.1.1. Description of the Transformation

The ATL code for the Grafcet to Petri Net transformation consists of 4 rules and 1 helper.

Helper:

- The **getRoot** helper is a constant helper. It seeks the root element of PNML model: the PNML document. This helper allows to link elements and their parents, thanks to a “resolveTemp” instruction.

Rules:

- The **Root** rule generates the XML Root element as well as a collection of attributes and elements and Text node from the input PNMLDocument element. The generated Root element is a “pnml” tag that has an “xmlns” Attribute and a “net” Element as children. The value of the “xmlns” attribute is copied from the PNMLDocument. The “net” Element has an “id” and a “type” Attribute, a “name” sub-Element. The “id” attribute and the “type” attribute are also copied from the input element. Finally, the “name” Element contains a “text” Element, which itself contains a Text node whose value corresponds to the name of the input PNMLDocument element.
- The **Place** rule generates three XML Elements, one XML Attribute and one XML Text for each PNML Place input element. The first generated Element, “place”, is a “place” tag which

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accepts an “id” Attribute as well as a child “name” Element. The value of the “id” attribute corresponds to the one of the PNML Place. The generated “name” Element accepts a “text” Element as child. This last one has a child which is a Text node. Its value corresponds to the name of the input Place.

- The **Transition** rule generates three XML Elements, one XML Attribute and one XML Text for each PNML Transition input element. The first generated Element, “transition”, is a “transition” tag which accepts an “id” Attribute as well as a child “name” Element. The value of the “id” attribute corresponds to the one of the PNML Transition. The generated “name” Element accepts a “text” Element as child. This last one has a child which is a Text node. Its value corresponds to the name of the input Transition.
- The **Arc** rule generates three XML Elements, three XML Attributes and one XML Text for each PNML Arc input element. The generated Element is an “arc” tag that has three Attribute children: “id”, “source” and “target”, as well as a child “name” Element. The value of the “id” attribute corresponds to the one of the PNML Arc. Values of the “source” and “target” attributes respectively correspond to the id of the source and the id of the target of the input Arc. The generated “name” Element accepts a “text” Element as child. This last one has a child which is a Text node. Its value corresponds to the name of the input Transition.

3.3.1.2. ATL Code

```

1  module PNML2XML;
2  create OUT : XML from IN : PNML;
3
4  -- The getRoot helper, is a constant helper. It seeks the root element of
5  PNML model : the PNML document.
6  -- This helper allows to link elements and their parents, thanks to a
7  "resolveTemp" instruction and to the helper.
8  -- CONTEXT: n/a
9  -- RETURN: PNML!PNMLDocument
10 helper def: getRoot() : PNML!PNMLDocument =
11   PNML!PNMLDocument.allInstances()->asSequence()->first();
12
13
14 -- The Root rule generates the XML Root element as well as a collection of
15 attributes and elements and Text node from the input PNMLDocument element.
16 The generated Root element is a "pnml" tag that has an "xmlns" Attribute
17 and a "net" Element as children.
18 -- Value of the "xmlns" attribute is copied from the PNMLDocument. The
19 "net" Element has an "id" and a "type" Attribute, a "name" sub-Element. The
20 "id" attribute and the "type" attribute are also copied from the input
21 element.
22 -- Finally, the "name" Element contains a "text" Element, which itself
23 contains a Text node whose value corresponds to the name of the input
24 PNMLDocument element.
25 rule Root {
26   from
27     n : PNML!PNMLDocument
28   to
29     e : XML!Root
30   (

```



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```
31      name <- 'pnml',
32      -- value = name of the net contained by this document
33      value <- n.nets.first().name.labels.first().text,
34      children <- Sequence {document_name, document_xmlns, document_net}
35    ),
36    document_name : XML!Element
37  (
38    name <- 'name',
39    parent <- n,
40    children <- document_text
41  ),
42  document_text : XML!Element
43  (
44    name <- 'text',
45    parent <- document_name,
46    children <- document_xml_text
47  ),
48  document_xml_text : XML!Text
49  (
50    value <- n.nets.first().name.labels.first().text,
51    parent <- document_text
52  ),
53  document_xmlns : XML!Attribute
54  (
55    name <- 'xmlns',
56    value <- n.xmlns.value,
57    parent <- n
58  ),
59  document_net : XML!Element
60  (
61    name <- 'net',
62    value <- n.nets.first().name.labels.first().text,
63    parent <- n,
64    children <- Sequence {net_name, net_id, net_type}
65  ),
66  net_name : XML!Element
67  (
68    name <- 'name',
69    parent <- document_net,
70    children <- net_text
71  ),
72  net_text : XML!Element
73  (
74    name <- 'text',
75    parent <- net_name,
76    children <- net_xml_text
77  ),
78  net_xml_text : XML!Text
79  (
80    value <- n.nets.first().name.labels.first().text,
81    parent <- net_text
82  ),
83  net_id : XML!Attribute
84  (
```

```

85         name <- 'id',
86         value <- n.nets.first().id,
87         parent <- document_net
88     ),
89     net_type : XML!Attribute
90     (
91         name <- 'type',
92         value <- n.nets.first().type.value,
93         parent <- document_net
94     )
95 }
96
97 -- The Place rule generates three XML Elements, one XML Attribute and one
98 XML Text for each PNML Place input element.
99 -- The first generated Element, "place", is a "place" tag which accepts an
100 "id" Attribute as well as a child "name" Element. The value of the "id"
101 attribute corresponds to the one of the PNML Place.
102 -- The generated "name" Element accepts a "text" Element as child. This
103 last one has a child which is a Text node. Its value corresponds to the
104 name of the input Place.
105 rule Place {
106     from
107         n : PNML!NetContentElement
108         (
109             n.ocIsKindOf(PNML!Place)
110         )
111     to
112         place : XML!Element
113         (
114             name <- 'place',
115             value <- n.name.labels.first().text,
116             parent <- thisModule.resolveTemp(thisModule.getRoot(),
117 'document_net'),
118             children <- Sequence{place_id, place_name}
119         ),
120         place_id : XML!Attribute
121         (
122             name <- 'id',
123             value <- n.id,
124             parent <- n
125         ),
126         place_name : XML!Element
127         (
128             name <- 'name',
129             parent <- n,
130             children <- place_text
131         ),
132         place_text : XML!Element
133         (
134             name <- 'text',
135             parent <- place_name,
136             children <- place_xml_text
137         ),
138         place_xml_text : XML!Text

```

```

139      (
140          value <- n.name.labels.first().text,
141          parent <- place_text
142      )
143
144  }
145
146 -- The Transition rule generates three XML Elements, one XML Attribute and
147 one XML Text for each PNML Transition input element.
148 -- The first generated Element, "transition", is a "transition" tag which
149 accepts an "id" Attribute as well as a child "name" Element. The value of
150 the "id" attribute corresponds to the one of the PNML Transition.
151 -- The generated "name" Element accepts a "text" Element as child. This
152 last one has a child which is a Text node. Its value corresponds to the
153 name of the input Transition.
154 rule Transition {
155     from
156         n : PNML!NetContentElement
157         (
158             n.oclIsKindOf(PNML!Transition)
159         )
160     to
161         transition : XML!Element
162         (
163             name <- 'transition',
164             value <- n.name.labels.first().text,
165             parent <- thisModule.resolveTemp(thisModule.getRoot(),
166 'document_net'),
167             children <- Sequence{transition_id, transition_name}
168         ),
169         transition_id : XML!Attribute
170         (
171             name <- 'id',
172             value <- n.id,
173             parent <- n
174         ),
175         transition_name : XML!Element
176         (
177             name <- 'name',
178             parent <- n,
179             children <- transition_text
180         ),
181         transition_text : XML!Element
182         (
183             name <- 'text',
184             parent <- transition_name,
185             children <- transition_xml_text
186         ),
187         transition_xml_text : XML!Text
188         (
189             value <- n.name.labels.first().text,
190             parent <- transition_text
191         )
192

```

```

193 }
194
195 -- The Arc rule generates three XML Elements, three XML Attributes and one
196 XML Text for each PNML Arc input element.
197 -- The generated Element is an "arc" tag that has three Attribute children:
198 "id", "source" and "target", as well as a child "name" Element. The value
199 of the "id" attribute corresponds to the one of the PNML Arc. Values of the
200 "source" and "target" attributes respectively correspond to the id of the
201 source and the id of the target of the input Arc.
202 -- The generated "name" Element accepts a "text" Element as child. This
203 last one has a child which is a Text node. Its value corresponds to the
204 name of the input Transition.
205 rule Arc {
206     from
207         n : PNML!Arc
208     to
209         arc : XML!Element
210         (
211             name <- 'arc',
212             value <- n.name.labels.first().text,
213             parent <- thisModule.resolveTemp(thisModule.getRoot(),
214 'document_net'),
215             children <- Sequence {arc_name, arc_id, source, target}
216         ),
217         arc_id : XML!Attribute
218         (
219             name <- 'id',
220             value <- n.id,
221             parent <- n
222         ),
223         arc_name : XML!Element
224         (
225             name <- 'name',
226             parent <- n,
227             children <- arc_text
228         ),
229         arc_text : XML!Element
230         (
231             name <- 'text',
232             parent <- arc_name,
233             children <- arc_xml_text
234         ),
235         arc_xml_text : XML!Text
236         (
237             value <- n.name.labels.first().text,
238             parent <- arc_text
239         ),
240         -- source and target attribute are initialised by the id of the
241         element pointed
242         source : XML!Attribute
243         (
244             name <- 'source',
245             value <- n.source.id,
246             parent <- n

```

```
247      ) ,
248      target : XML!Attribute
249      (
250          name <- 'target',
251          value <- n.target.id,
252          parent <- n
253      )
254 }
```

3.3.1.3. Configuration of the Transformation

As illustrated by the transformation configuration's Figure 14 and Figure 15, there is one input metamodel (PNML) and one output (XML). In Path Editor, place in "PNML" the path of the PNML metamodel; do the same for "XML". In "IN" place the path of an Ecore file (a model conforming to our PNML metamodel in Ecore format), and in "OUT" the path for the results (the generated file is an Ecore file conforming to the XML metamodel).

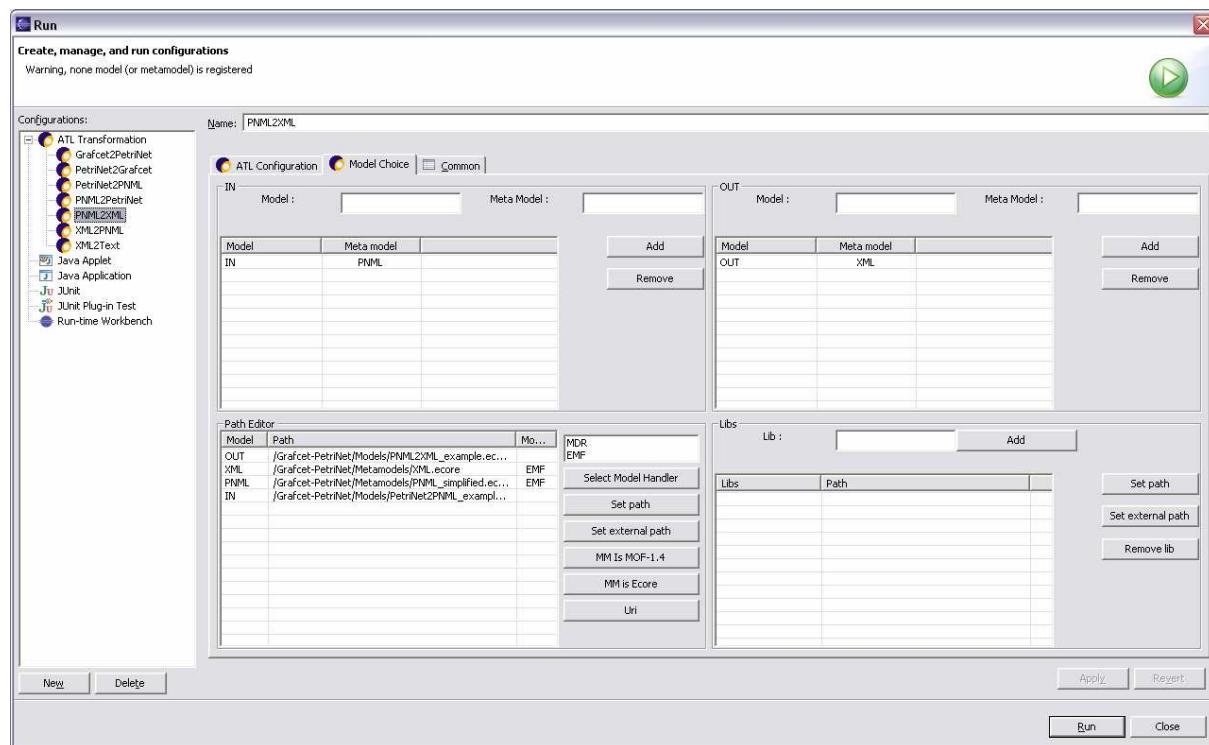


Figure 14 - PNML to XML configuration - part one

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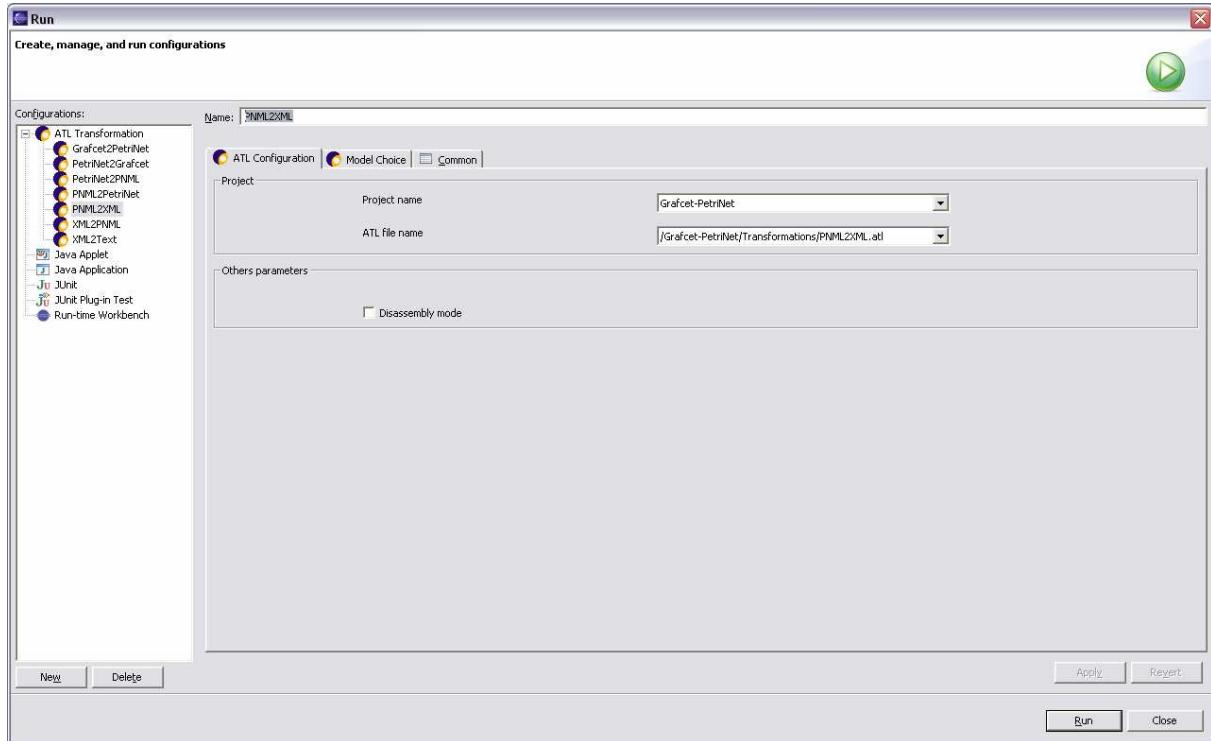


Figure 15 - PNML to XML configuration - part two

3.3.2. XML to PNML Transformation: Injector

3.3.2.1. Description of the Transformation

The ATL code for the Grafcet to Petri Net transformation consists of 5 rules and 3 helpers.

Helpers:

- The first helper **getAttrVal**, returns the value of an attribute (identified by its name, passed as a parameter) of the contextual XML Element. For this purpose, it collects, among the children of this contextual Element, the Attribute whose name matches the name passed in parameter. The helper returns the value of the first matched attribute.
- The **getName** helper returns the name of a “net” or a “place” XML Element. To this end, it first gets, among its Element children, the one named “name”. It then gets the “text” XML Element child of this new node, and finally returns the value associated with it.
- The **getLink** helper collects all instances of xml element and search the one whose id matches the id passed in parameter. The helper returns the first xml element of the collection.

Rules:

- The **PNMLDocument** rule generates a PNMLDocument from the input XML Root Element.
- The **Net** rule generates a NetElement from each “net” XML Element input element. The name of the generated NetElement is computed by calling the **getName** helper. Its set of Places, Transitions and Arcs are initialized by the other rules. The link to its parent, the PNMLDocument, is also created.
- The **Place** rule generates a PNML Place for each “place” XML Element. The name of the generated Place is computed by a call to the **getName** helper. Its id is copied from the one of the input XML Element. The link to its parent, the NetElement, is also created.
- The **Transition** rule generates a PNML Transition for each “transition” XML Element. The name of the generated Transition is computed by a call to the **getName** helper. Its id is copied from the one of the input XML Element. The link to its parent, the NetElement, is also created.
- The **Arc** rule generates a PNML Arc for each “arc” XML Element. The name of the generated Arc is computed by a call to the **getName** helper. Its id is copied from the one of the input XML Element. Its source (obtained by means of the **getLink** helper) corresponds to the XML Element which id is contained in the child attribute named “source”. Idem for the target. The link to its parent, the NetElement, is also created.

3.3.2.2. ATL Code

```

1  module XML2PNML;
2  create OUT : PNML from IN : XML;
3
4  -- The getAttrVal helper, returns the value of an attribute (identified by
5  -- its name, passed as a parameter) of the contextual XML Element.
6  -- For this purpose, it collects, among the children of this contextual
7  -- Element, the Attribute whose name matches the name passed in parameter.
8  -- The helper returns the value of the first matched attribute.
9  -- CONTEXT: XML!Element
10 -- RETURN: String
11 helper context XML!Element def: getAttrVal(name : String) : String =
12   let a : Sequence(XML!Attribute) = self.children->select(c |
13     c.oclIsTypeOf(XML!Attribute) and c.name = name) in
14     if a.isEmpty() then
15       ''
16     else
17       a.first().value
18     endif;
19
20 -- The getName() helper returns the name of a "net" or a "place" XML
21 -- Element.
22 -- To this end, it first gets, among its Element children, the one named
23 -- "name".
24 -- It then gets the "text" XML Element child of this new node, and finally
25 -- returns the value associated with it.
26 -- CONTEXT: XML!Element
27 -- RETURN: String
28 helper context XML!Element def : getName() : String =

```



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```
29      self.children->select(c | c.oclIsTypeOf(XML!Element) and c.name =
30      'name')->first().children
31          ->select(d | d.oclIsTypeOf(XML!Element) and d.name = 'text')-
32      >first().children
33          ->select(e | e.oclIsKindOf(XML!Text))->first().value;
34
35 -- The getLink helper, collects all instances of xml element and search the
36 one whose id matches the id passed in parameter.
37 -- The helper returns the first xml element of the collection.
38 -- CONTEXT: n/a
39 -- RETURN: XML!Element
40 helper def: getLink(id : String) : XML!Element =
41     XML!Element.allInstances()->select(z | z.getAttrVal('id') = id)->first();
42
43
44 -- The PNMLDocument rule generates a PNMLDocument from the input XML Root
45 Element.
46 rule PNMLDocument {
47     from
48         x : XML!Root
49     to
50         document : PNML!PNMLDocument
51         (
52             xmlns <- uri
53         ),
54         uri : PNML!URI
55         (
56             value <- x.getAttrVal('xmlns')
57         )
58     }
59
60 -- The Net rule generates a NetElement from each "net" XML Element input
61 element.
62 -- Name of the generated NetElement is computed by calling the getName
63 helper.
64 -- Its set of Places, Transitions and Arcs are initialized by the other
65 rules.
66 -- The link to its parent, the PNMLDocument, is also created.
67 rule Net {
68     from
69         x : XML!Element
70         (
71             x.name = 'net'
72         )
73     to
74         net_element : PNML!NetElement
75         (
76             name <- named_element,
77             type <- type_uri,
78             -- pointer on the root element
79             document <- x.parent
80         ),
81         type_uri : PNML!URI
82         (
```



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```
83         value <- x.getAttrVal('type')
84     ) ,
85     named_element : PNML!Name
86     (
87         labels <- label
88     ) ,
89     label : PNML!Label
90     (
91         text <- x.getName()
92     )
93 }
94
95 -- The Place rule generates a PNML Place for each "place" XML Element.
96 -- Name of the generated Place is computed by a call to the getName helper.
97 -- Its id is copied from the one of the input XML Element.
98 -- The link to its parent, the NetElement, is also created.
99 rule Place {
100     from
101         x : XML!Element
102         (
103             x.name = 'place'
104         )
105     to
106         n : PNML!Place
107         (
108             name <- named_element,
109             -- pointer on the net element
110             net <- x.parent,
111             id <- x.getAttrVal('id'),
112             location <- ''
113         ) ,
114         named_element : PNML!Name
115         (
116             labels <- label
117         ) ,
118         label : PNML!Label
119         (
120             text <- x.getName()
121         )
122 }
123
124 -- The Transition rule generates a PNML Transition for each "transition"
125 XML Element.
126 -- Name of the generated Transition is computed by a call to the getName
127 helper.
128 -- Its id is copied from the one of the input XML Element.
129 -- The link to its parent, the NetElement, is also created.
130 rule Transition {
131     from
132         x : XML!Element
133         (
134             x.name = 'transition'
135         )
136     to
```

```

137      n : PNML!Transition
138      (
139          name <- named_element,
140          -- pointer on the net element
141          net <- x.parent,
142          id <- x.getAttrVal('id')
143      ),
144      named_element : PNML!Name
145      (
146          labels <- label
147      ),
148      label : PNML!Label
149      (
150          text <- x.getName()
151      )
152  }
153
154 -- The Arc rule generates a PNML Arc for each "arc" XML Element.
155 -- Name of the generated Arc is computed by a call to the getName helper.
156 -- Its id is copied from the one of the input XML Element.
157 -- Its source (obtained by means of the getLink helper) corresponds to the
158 XML Element which id is contained in the child attribute named "source".
159 Idem for the target.
160 -- The link to its parent, the NetElement, is also created.
161 rule Arc {
162     from
163         x : XML!Element
164         (
165             x.name = 'arc'
166         )
167     to
168         n : PNML!Arc
169         (
170             name <- named_element,
171             id <- x.getAttrVal('id'),
172             net <- x.parent,
173             -- seek of the element pointed by the source id contained in the xml
174             file
175                 source <- thisModule.getLink(
176                     (x.children->select(c | c.oclIsKindOf(XML!Attribute) and c.name =
177 'source')->first().value)
178                 ),
179                 -- seek of the element pointed by the target id contained in the xml
180             file
181                 target <- thisModule.getLink(
182                     (x.children->select(c | c.oclIsKindOf(XML!Attribute) and c.name =
183 'target')->first().value)
184                 )
185
186             ),
187             named_element : PNML!Name
188             (
189                 labels <- label
190             ),

```



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```
191      label : PNML!Label
192      (
193          text <- x.getName()
194      )
195  }
196
```

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3.3.2.3. Configuration of the Transformation

As illustrated by the transformation configuration's Figure 16 and Figure 17, there is one input metamodel (XML) and one output (PNML). In Path Editor, place in "XML" the path of the XML metamodel; do the same for "PNML". In "IN" place the path of an Ecore file (a model conforming to our XML metamodel in Ecore format), and in "OUT" the path for the results (the generated file is an Ecore file conforming to the PNML metamodel).

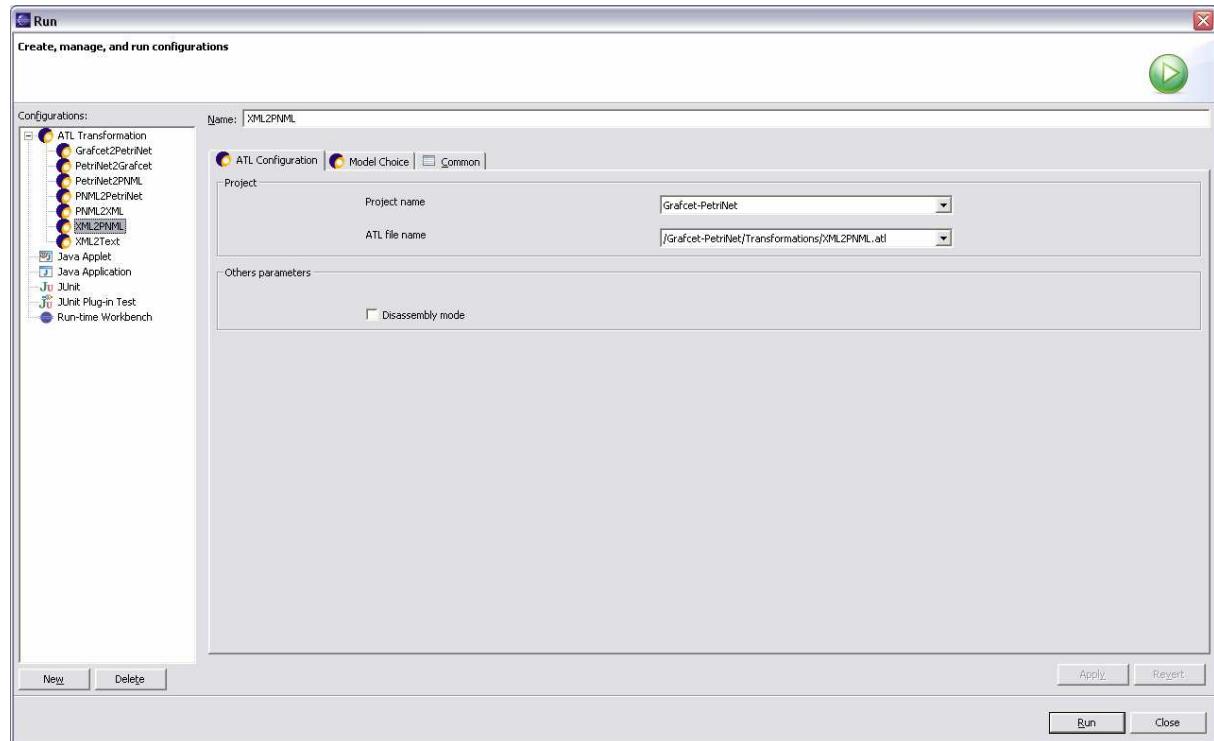


Figure 16 - XML to PNML configuration - part one

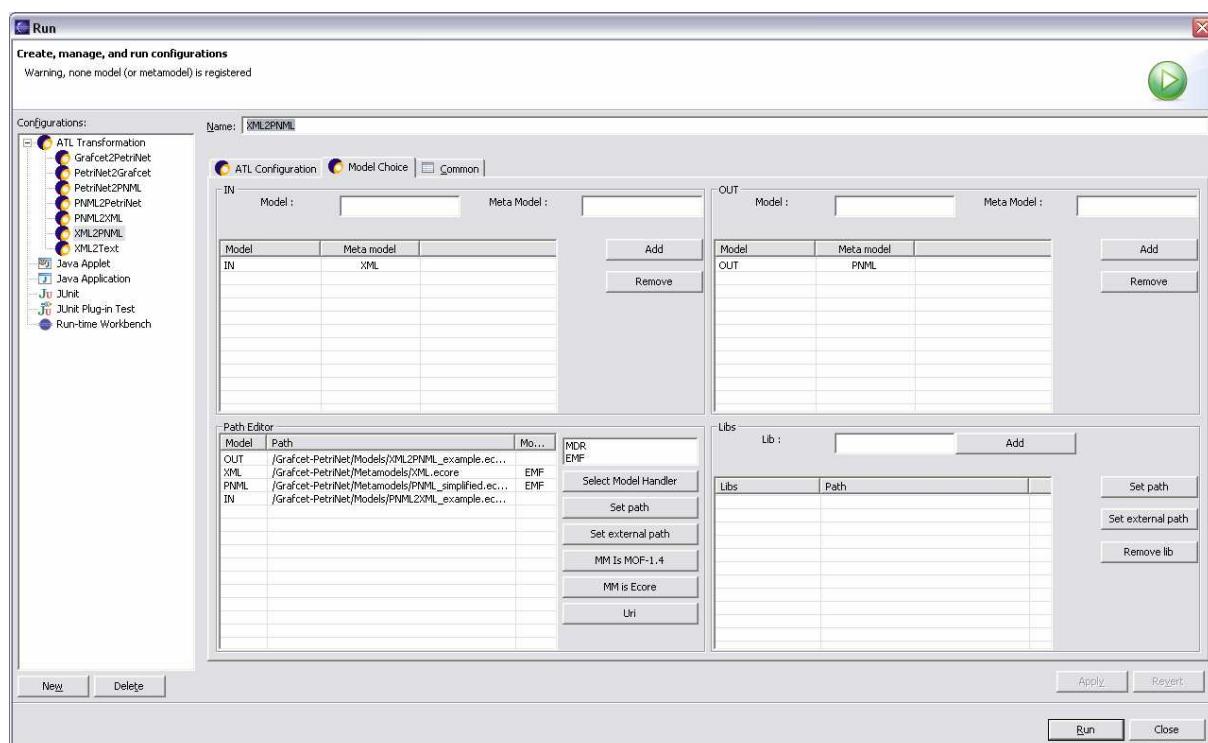


Figure 17 - XML to PNML configuration - part two

3.3.3. XML to PNML text (Extract XML)

3.3.3.1. Description of the Transformation

The ATL code, that allows generating a PNML valid and well-formed XML text file from an XML model, for this transformation consists in 4 helpers and 1 query.

The aim of this query is to extract each of the elements that compose the input XML model into an output XML file. Contrary to rules that are implemented to generate a model from another model, a query allows calculating output text files from an input model (see [3]). This is the reason why we need to use queries for this type of transformation: generating an XML file from an XML model.

The implemented query get the Root element of the XML model and call the “toString2()” helper on it. The content is generated by the “toString2()” helper called on the Root element of the XML model.

There are three “toString2()” helpers with different contexts. The XML!Attribute one simply returns the name and the value of an attribute in the correct string format. The XML!Text one only returns the string value contained in a text node. The XML!Element one returns the valid and well-formed content of the output XML file by parsing recursively all the element of the input XML model. Note that it sometimes calls the XML!Attribute and XML!Text “toString2()” helpers.

3.3.3.2. ATL Code

```

1  query XML2Text = XML!Root.allInstances( )
2    ->asSequence( )

```

```

3      ->first().toString2('').writeTo('C:\\\\... Complete this path ...\\\\Grafset-
4      PetriNet\\\\Models\\\\XML2Text_example.xml');
5
6  helper context XML!Element def: toString2(indent : String) : String =
7      let na : Sequence(XML!Node) =
8          self.children->select(e | not e.oclIsKindOf(XML!Attribute)) in
9      let a : Sequence(XML!Node) =
10         self.children->select(e | e.oclIsKindOf(XML!Attribute)) in
11         indent + '<' + self.name +
12         a->iterate(e; acc : String = '') |
13             acc + ' ' + e.toString2()
14         ) +
15     if na->size() > 0 then
16         '>' +
17         + na->iterate(e; acc : String = '') |
18             acc +
19             if e.oclIsKindOf(XML!Text) then
20                 ''
21             else
22                 '\r\n'
23             endif
24             + e.toString2(indent + ' ')
25         ) +
26     if na->first().oclIsKindOf(XML!Text) then
27         '</' + self.name + '>'
28     else
29         '\r\n' + indent + '</' + self.name + '>'
30     endif
31   else
32     '/>' +
33   endif;
34
35  helper context XML!Attribute def: toString2() : String =
36      self.name + '=' + self.value + '"';
37
38  helper context XML!Text def: toString2() : String =
39      self.value;

```

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3.3.3.3. Configuration of the Transformation

As illustrated by the transformation configuration's Figure 18 and Figure 19, there is one input metamodel (XML). In Path Editor, place in "XML" the path of the XML metamodel. In "IN" place the path of an Ecore file (a model conforming to our XML metamodel in Ecore format).

The generated file is an Ecore file conforming to the XML metamodel. This file does not appear in the configuration, it is defined in the ATL code of the transformation. So in the XML to Text ATL file, ensure that the output file path is correct at the top of the file (Figure 20).

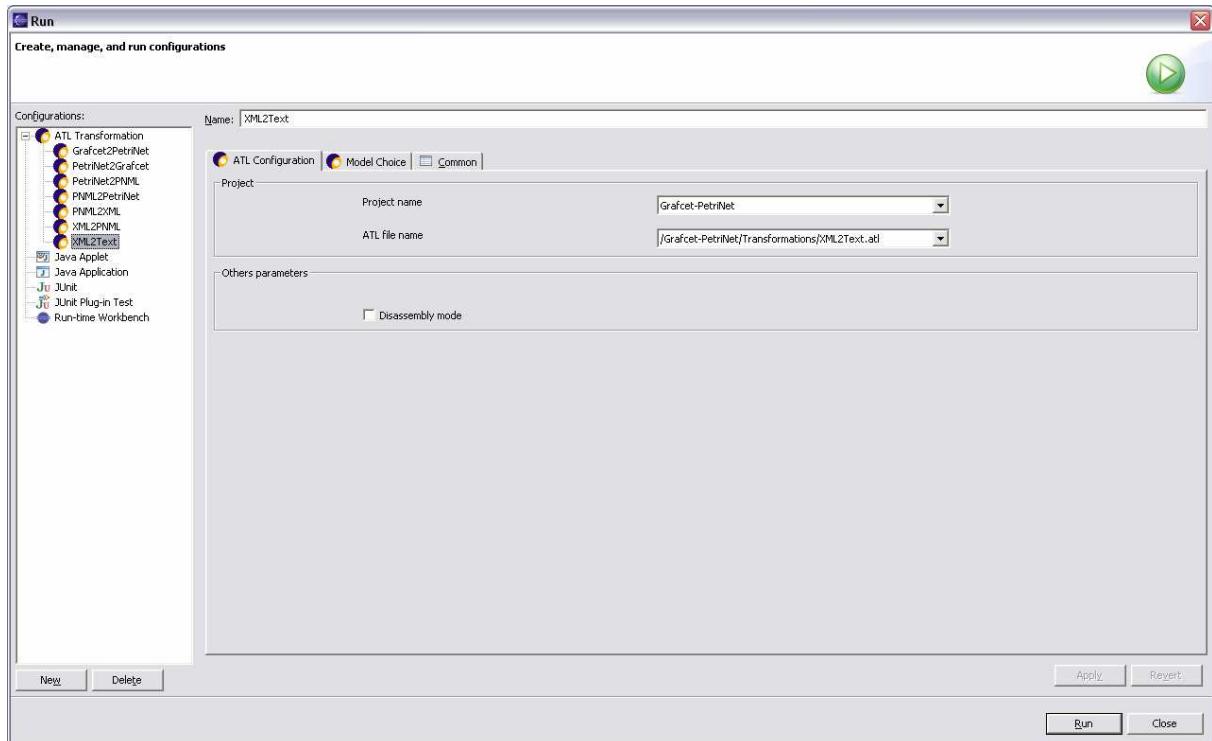


Figure 18 - XML to Text configuration - part one

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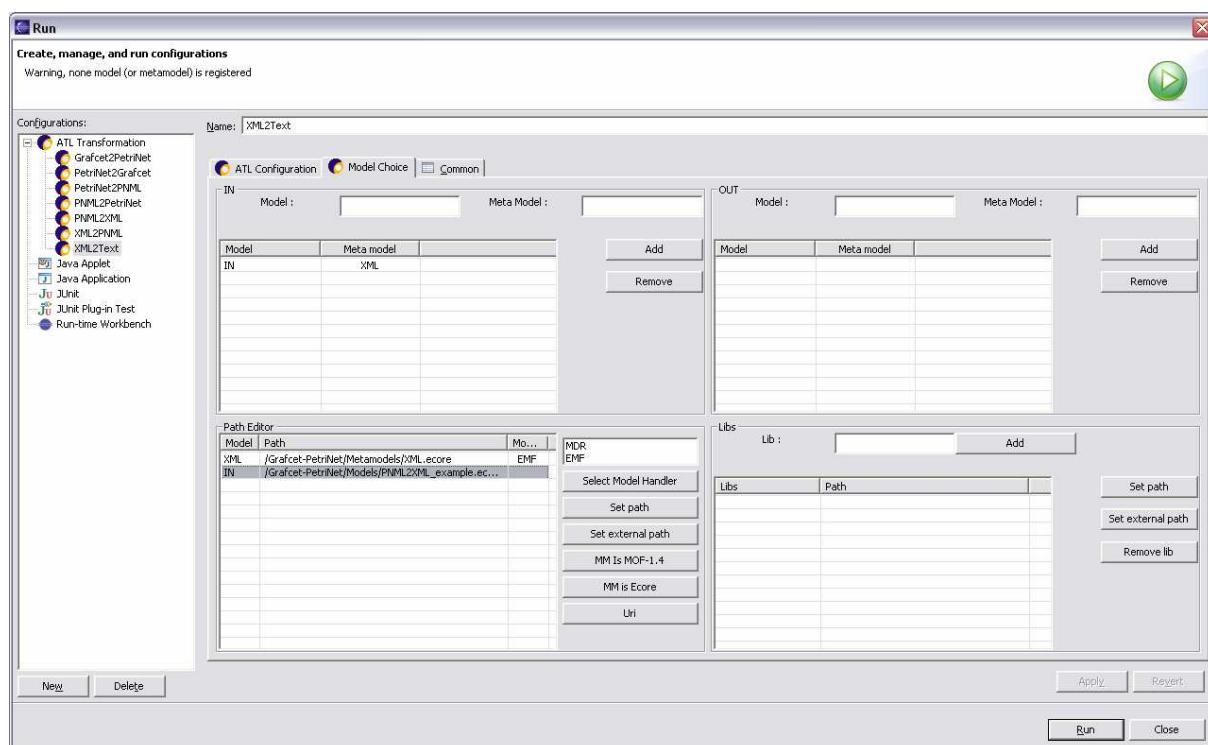
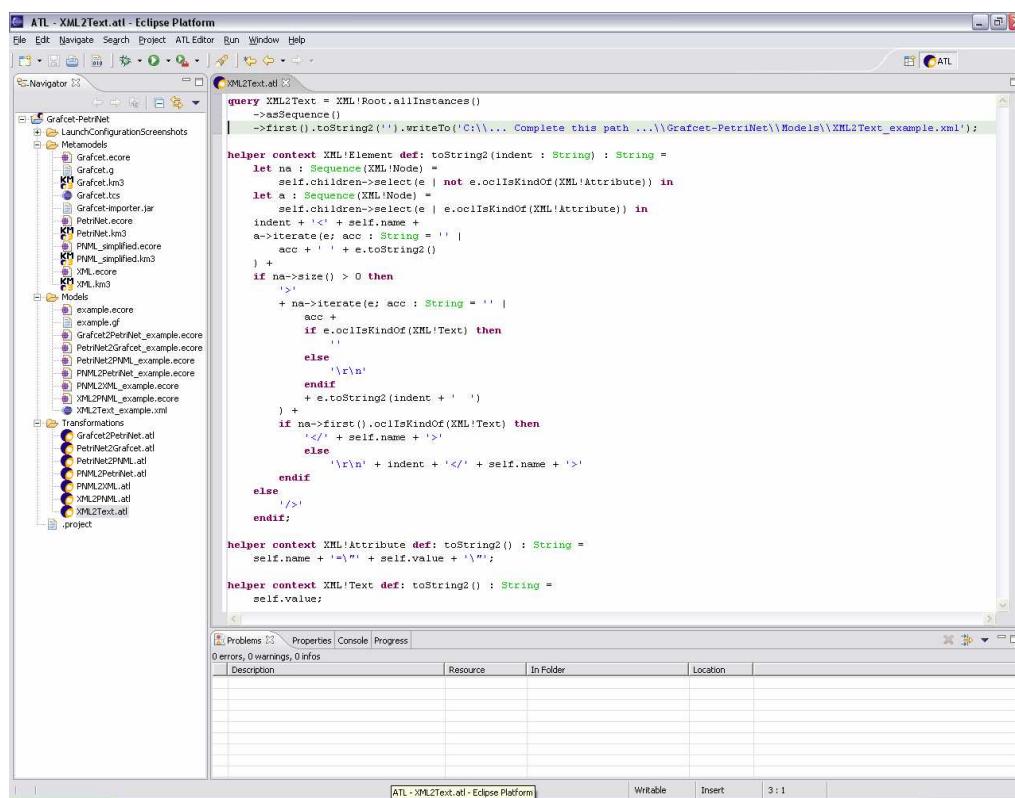


Figure 19 - XML to Text configuration - part two



The screenshot shows the Eclipse Platform with the 'ATL - XML2Text.atl - Eclipse Platform' window open. The 'Navigator' view on the left shows a project structure with 'Grafcet-PetriNet', 'Metamodels', 'Models', and 'Transformations' folders containing various XML and ATL files. The 'XML2Text.atl' file is selected in the 'Editor' view on the right. The code in the editor is:

```

query XML2Text = XML!Root.allInstances()
--asSequence()
| -->first().toString2().writeTo('C:\...\ Complete this path ...\\Grafcet-PetriNet\Models\XML2Text_example.xml');

helper context XML!Element def: toString2(indent : String) : String =
  let na : Sequence(XML!Node) =
    self.children->select(e | not e.occlIsKindOf(XML!Attribute)) in
  let a : Sequence(XML!Node) =
    self.children->select(e | e.occlIsKindOf(XML!Attribute)) in
  indent + '<' + self.name +
  a->iterate(e: acc : String = '' |
    acc + ' ' + e.toString2()
  ) +
  if na->size() > 0 then
    '>'

    + na->iterate(e: acc : String = '' |
      acc +
      if e.occlIsKindOf(XML!Text) then
        ''
      else
        '\r\n'
      endif
      + e.toString2(indent + ' ')
    )
    +
    if na->first().occlIsKindOf(XML!Text) then
      '</' + self.name + '>'
    else
      '\r\n' + indent + '</' + self.name + '>'

  endif
else
  '>'

endif;

helper context XML!Attribute def: toString2() : String =
  self.name + '=' + self.value + '\r\n';

helper context XML!Text def: toString2() : String =
  self.value;

```

Figure 20 - XML to Text ATL file

I. Grafset metamodel in KM3 format

```

package Grafset {
    abstract class LocatedElement {
        attribute location : String;
    }
    abstract class NamedElement extends LocatedElement {
        attribute name : String;
    }
    class Grafset extends NamedElement {
        reference elements[*] container : Element oppositeOf grafset;
        reference connections[*] container : Connection oppositeOf grafset;
    }
    -- @begin elements
    abstract class Element extends NamedElement {
        reference grafset : Grafset oppositeOf elements;
    }
    class Step extends Element {
        attribute isInitial : Boolean;
        attribute isActive : Boolean;
        attribute action : String;
        reference incomingConnections[*] : TransitionToStep oppositeOf to;
        reference outgoingConnections[*] : StepToTransition oppositeOf from;
    }
    class Transition extends Element {
        attribute condition : String;
        reference incomingConnections[*] : StepToTransition oppositeOf to;
        reference outgoingConnections[*] : TransitionToStep oppositeOf from;
    }
    -- @end elements
    --@begin connections
    abstract class Connection extends NamedElement {
        reference grafset : Grafset oppositeOf connections;
    }
    class StepToTransition extends Connection {
        reference from : Step oppositeOf outgoingConnections;
        reference to : Transition oppositeOf incomingConnections;
    }
    class TransitionToStep extends Connection {
        reference from : Transition oppositeOf outgoingConnections;
        reference to : Step oppositeOf incomingConnections;
    }
    --@end connections
}
package PrimitiveTypes {
    datatype String;
    datatype Boolean;
}

```

II. Petri Net metamodel in KM3 format

```

package PetriNet {
    abstract class LocatedElement {
        attribute location : String;
    }
    abstract class NamedElement extends LocatedElement {
        attribute name : String;
    }
    -- @comment top element
    class PetriNet extends NamedElement {
        reference elements[*] container : Element oppositeOf net;
        reference arcs[*] container : Arc oppositeOf net;
    }
    -- @begin elements
    abstract class Element extends NamedElement {
        reference net : PetriNet oppositeOf elements;
    }
    class Place extends Element {
        reference incomingArc[*] : TransitionToPlace oppositeOf to;
        reference outgoingArc[*] : PlaceToTransition oppositeOf from;
    }
    class Transition extends Element {
        reference incomingArc[1-*] : PlaceToTransition oppositeOf to;
        reference outgoingArc[1-*] : TransitionToPlace oppositeOf from;
    }
    -- @end elements
    --@begin arcs
    abstract class Arc extends NamedElement {
        attribute weight : Integer;
        reference net : PetriNet oppositeOf arcs;
    }
    class PlaceToTransition extends Arc {
        reference from : Place oppositeOf outgoingArc;
        reference to : Transition oppositeOf incomingArc;
    }
    class TransitionToPlace extends Arc {
        reference from : Transition oppositeOf outgoingArc;
        reference to : Place oppositeOf incomingArc;
    }
    --@end arcs
}
package PrimitiveTypes {
    datatype String;
    datatype Integer;
}

```

III. PNML metamodel in KM3 format

```

package PNML {
    abstract class LocatedElement {
        attribute location : String;
    }
    abstract class IdedElement extends LocatedElement {
        attribute id : String;
    }
    -- @begin declaration of types
    class URI extends LocatedElement {
        attribute value : String;
    }
    -- @end declaration of types
    -- @comment single top element (like in XML document)
    class PNMLDocument extends LocatedElement {
        reference xmlns container : URI;
        reference nets[1-*] container : NetElement oppositeOf document;
    }
    -- @comment a petri net element
    class NetElement extends IdedElement {
        -- @comment typer reference the PNTD associed with the net
        reference type container : URI;
        reference document : PNMLDocument oppositeOf nets;
        reference contents[*] container : NetContent oppositeOf net;
        reference name[0-1] container : Name oppositeOf net;
    }
    -- @comment content of a petri net element
    abstract class NetContent extends LocatedElement {
        reference net : NetElement oppositeOf contents;
        reference name[0-1] container : Name oppositeOf netContent;
    }
    -- @comment element used for abstraction (Name, Inscription and InitialMarking)
    abstract class LabeledElement extends LocatedElement {
        reference labels[*] container : Label oppositeOf labeledElement;
    }
    class Label extends LocatedElement {
        attribute text : String;
        reference labeledElement : LabeledElement oppositeOf labels;
    }
    class Name extends LabeledElement {
        reference net[0-1] : NetElement oppositeOf name;
        reference netContent[0-1] : NetContent oppositeOf name;
    }
    -- @comment element used for abstraction (Place and Transition)
    abstract class NetContentElement extends NetContent, IdedElement {
    }
    class Arc extends NetContent, IdedElement {
        reference source : NetContentElement;
        reference target : NetContentElement;
    }
    class Place extends NetContentElement {
    }
    -- @comment a transition element
    class Transition extends NetContentElement {
    }
}
package PrimitiveTypes { datatype String; }

```

IV. XML metamodel in KM3 format

```

package XML {
    abstract class Node {
        attribute startLine[0-1] : Integer;
        attribute startColumn[0-1] : Integer;
        attribute endLine[0-1] : Integer;
        attribute endColumn[0-1] : Integer;
        attribute name : String;
        attribute value : String;
        reference parent[0-1] : Element oppositeOf children;
    }
    class Attribute extends Node {}
    class Text extends Node {}
    class Element extends Node {
        reference children[*] ordered container : Node oppositeOf parent;
    }
    class Root extends Element {}
}
package PrimitiveTypes {
    datatype Boolean;
    datatype Integer;
    datatype String;
}

```

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