

SBOL 9: Workshop Newcastle, UK

Draft Agenda

Date: April 24-26, 2013

Time: 9:00 - 5:00

Location: Newcastle University

Remote Connection Information: See end of this document

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Agenda

Day 1 - Wed, Apr 24th -- The State of SBOL

Location: Ground floor lecture theatre, Centre for Bacterial Cell Biology, Baddiley-Clark building.

9:00 Meet, greet & tea

9:30 Welcome and Introductions [Anil Wipat]

- i. Organization of materials for the workshop [Matthew Pocock]
- ii. Present (and revise) the Agenda

9:40 Matthew's State of the SBOL Union Address [Matthew]

10:00 SBOL in Action and Related Work [10 min Talk + 5 min Questions] [Chair: Matthew Pocock, Notes: TBD]

- o Jake Beal - BioCompiler
- o Larisa Soldotova - Ontology for Synthetic Biology

10:30 Coffee Break

10:45 [Continue] SBOL in Action and Related Work [10 min Talk + 5 min Questions] [Chair: Matthew Pocock, Notes: TBD]

- o Evan Appleton - Experimentally-Driven Algorithms for Optimized DNA Assembly
- o Michal Galdzicki - SBOL Designer demo
- o Nicholas Roehner - Genetic Technology Mapping with SBOL in iBioSim
- o Goksel Misirli
- o Robert Cox
- o Kirtan Dave

12:00 Lunch

1:00 Working Group Updates & Rechartering [20 min - 10 talk, 5 discuss, 5 vote] [Chair: Goksel, Notes: TBD]

- o Devices - Raik Grünberg (5 min, remote talk)
- o Modeling - Chris Myers
- o Visual - Jackie Quinn

- Performance (characterisation) - Matthew Pocock
 - Regulatory - Ernst Oberortner, Matthew Pocock, Nicholas Roehner
 - Assembly - Ernst Oberortner
- 2:30 Coffee Break
- 2.45 [Continue] Working Group Updates & Rechartering [20 min - 10 talk, 5 discuss, 5 vote]
[Chair: Goksel Misirli, Notes: TBD]
- Script - Ernst Oberortner
 - Compliance - Ernst Oberortner, Michal Galdzicki
 - Attribution - Michal Galdzicki
 - Host Context - Bryan Bartley (arriving 3pm). Michal Galdzicki
 - Vector Express Designer (10 min)
- 4:00 Governance [Chair: Herbert, Notes: TBD]
- Editor Turnover
 - Funding
 - Joining other Groups
 - "[participating group](#)" for sequence ontology?
 - Open Source Bioinformatics Forum? <http://www.open-bio.org/>
- 5:00 Wrap up
- 7:00 Meal at the [Marco Pierre White Steakhouse Bar & Grill](#)
[Address](#): 2-8 Fenkle Street, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE 1 5XN

Day 2 - Thu, Apr 25th -- Breakouts and Excursion

[Location](#): Ground floor lecture theatre, Centre for Bacterial Cell Biology, Baddiley-Clark building.

- 8:30 Tea
- 9:00 Plan Breakout Sessions (make progress on specific tasks in small groups) [Chair: Chris Myers, Notes: TBD]
- Potential Topics:
- SBOL Visual - Jackie Quinn
 - libSBOLj Hacking
 - Extension Method
 - IWBDA Abstracts
 - Technical Training (tutorials on Maven, GitHub)
 - Increasing Adoption
 - SBOL Primer - Jackie Quinn
 - Regulatory Elements - Robert Cox
 - SBOL Compliance - Michal Galdzicki
 - TBD - *Please send breakout session ideas to the Editors*
- 9:20 Talk by Ryan Cawood - Oxford Genetics provider of a catalogue of DNA components
- 9:30 Breakout Sessions
- 12:30 Wrap up / Lunch
- 1:00 Excursion

7:00 Meal at [SIX](#) at BALTIC Centre for Contemporary Art

[Address](#): SIX Restaurant, BALTIC Centre for Contemporary Art Gateshead Quays, South Shore Road, Gateshead, NE8 3BA

Day 3 - Fri, Apr 26th -- Breakouts and the Road Ahead

[Location](#): Room 701, School of Computing Science, Claremont Tower.

9:00 [Continue] Breakout Sessions

12:30 Lunch

1:30 Breakout Groups Report Back

2:00 Roadmapping Discussion - Ernst Oberortner

- Envisioning directions for SBOL
- Setting goals and priorities for the next six months

4:30 Wrap up

Remote Connectivity

We're using Skype for providing remote connectivity for the conference - I will be managing access to the call through Matt Pocock's Skype account.

[Tomorrow](#) (we will start broadcasting between 9.00-9.30am GMT):

* Add matthew.pocock as a contact.

* When you are ready to connect to the call, send a short message requesting access.

I will then connect you to the conference call, which will provide you access to a video feed of the presentation, and the presentation itself through a shared desktop.

Workshop Notes

Notes by Jackie Quinn

Jake Beal - BioCompiler

- High-level program -> Optimize GRN design
- Generates
 - GraphViz to generate SBOLv diagrams
 - Add to SBOL Visual software list
 - Matlab ODE files
 - One particular ODE model
 - SBOL-ish XML (limitations on libSBOLc, written in C++)
 - What is needed to make it SBOL XML compliant?
 - Focuses on regulatory relationships
- Diagrams (XOR) demonstrate need for visualization of regulation (software to lay out diagrams...)
- Reduces tendency of humans to screw up repressor-based logic
- Is the current level of abstraction well suited to these diagrams? Is there a way to do better?
- Might stick another front end (python or C?) as command language
- Currently supported: boolean logic computation.
 - Don't have confidence in analog computation from high level to low level.
- Would like to generate/translate to SBML
- Strong need for regulatory extension, for example to transfer structure to SBML generating tools

Larisa Soldatova - Ontology for Synthetic Biology

- Centre of Systems and Synthetic Biology (www.brunel.ac.uk/research/centres/cssb)
 - knowledge representation in biomodelling, multi-scale modelling of behaviour, biofuels, software systems
- Ontology driven Biological Models
- How to get tools to support Systems/Synthetic Biology (as opposed to the traditional biomedical applications)
- Goals:
 - Integration of existing technology, sources of data into biomodelling platform
 - Ontology for SB based on OBI
- Currently working on Synthetic Biology Lexicon, to populate OBM and support text mining for SB

Evan Appleton

- Modeling DNA Assembly pipelines/algorithms
 - biobricks, moclo, gibson

- Steps
 - Generate Part Junctions
 - Optimize cloning steps
- Heuristics - # stages, # steps, efficiency (sp. to method, rxn conditions)
- Getting input from experimentalists
 - Variations on output for testing intermediates, getting stuck in assembly
 - Can force/forbid intermediates/part junctions, manually or via Eugene
 - Efficiency parameters/measurements inputted by user
- Generating SBOL Visual through Pigeon, not using SBOL Data Model (putting parts, sequences, in DB)
- Generates instructions for liquid handling robots

Michal Galdzicki - Version Control in SBOL Designer

- Work in collab. with Clark & Parsia, built in Java
- Demo
 - retrieve DNA components from repositories
 - version control for syn bio
 - nested components
- Reproduce CMY circuits in SBOL Designer w/ multiple agents
- Demo Notes
 - Generic components for C, M, Y, and created repo and committed
 - created template for C (pro, rbs, cds, ter)
 - traverse layers (composition of components), display in thumbnails on right hand panel
 - use sparql to find parts and assign to components in design, discards substructure for subcomponents
 - Generic symbol looks similar to operator

Nic Roehner - DAG-based tech mapping of genetic circuits (iBioSim)

- SBML-to-SBOL Library Construction
- Inspired by EE - partitioning, decomposition, matching, covering
- Example: And-Or-Invert in iBioSim, written in SBML
- Matching process assigns each element in DAG to DNA component
- Covering - exponential run time (preventing cross-talk)
- Future Work
 - Cyclic regulatory graphs (feedback)
 - Alt methods for decomposition
- Note: use of color coding with SBOL Visual

Goksel Misirli - Representing Biological Systems for the Flowers Consortium

- Flowers Consortium - UK wide consortium for syn bio, commercialization of research
- Develop platform technology, model based approach
- Develop Model repository

- model, genetic description, context, environment/host
- Extensions on modelling, regulation, etc would be valuable
- Representation of biological *systems* (as opposed to constructs)
 - DNA component as a part of “Genetic Incorporation”
- Web based system for retrieving Systems, in json

Kirtan Dave

- SBOL Plugin to connect SBML and SBOL
- JSBML?
- Objective - create metabolic reaction equations in SBML (starting from SBOL)

Robert Sidney Cox - Synthetic Promoter Designs

- “Kick-ass promoters,” things to consider:
 - Transcription factor interactions (see slides for list)
 - bacterial, 6-8 interactions
- Combinatorial promoter assembly, went with random assembly of operators with screening

Notes by Mike

- Add graphviz to list of software
- need libSBOLc update/ maintenance
- Guy interested in trying out SBOL Designer
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