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Introduction to BioJava

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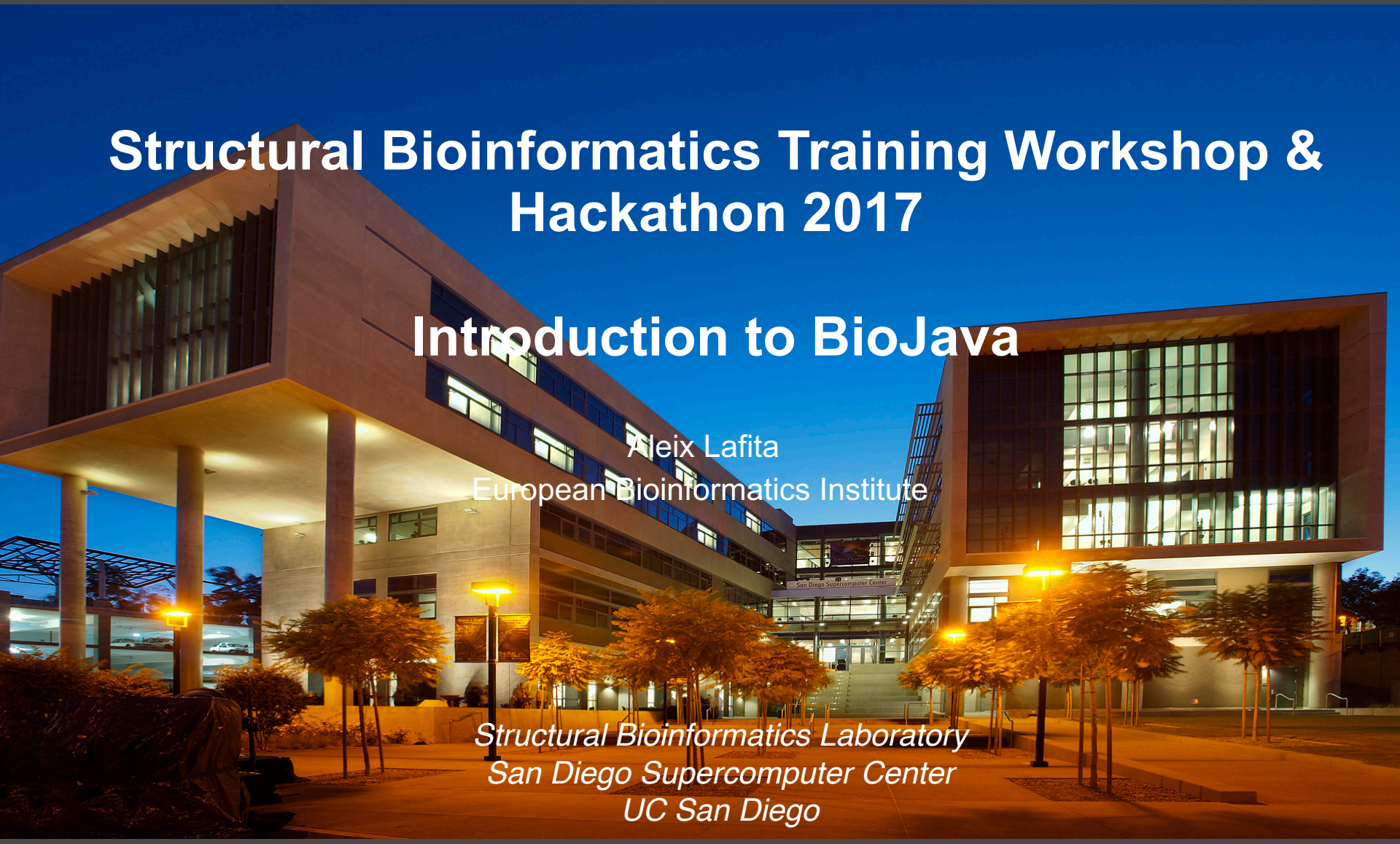

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PART 1
BioJava Project

History

Resources

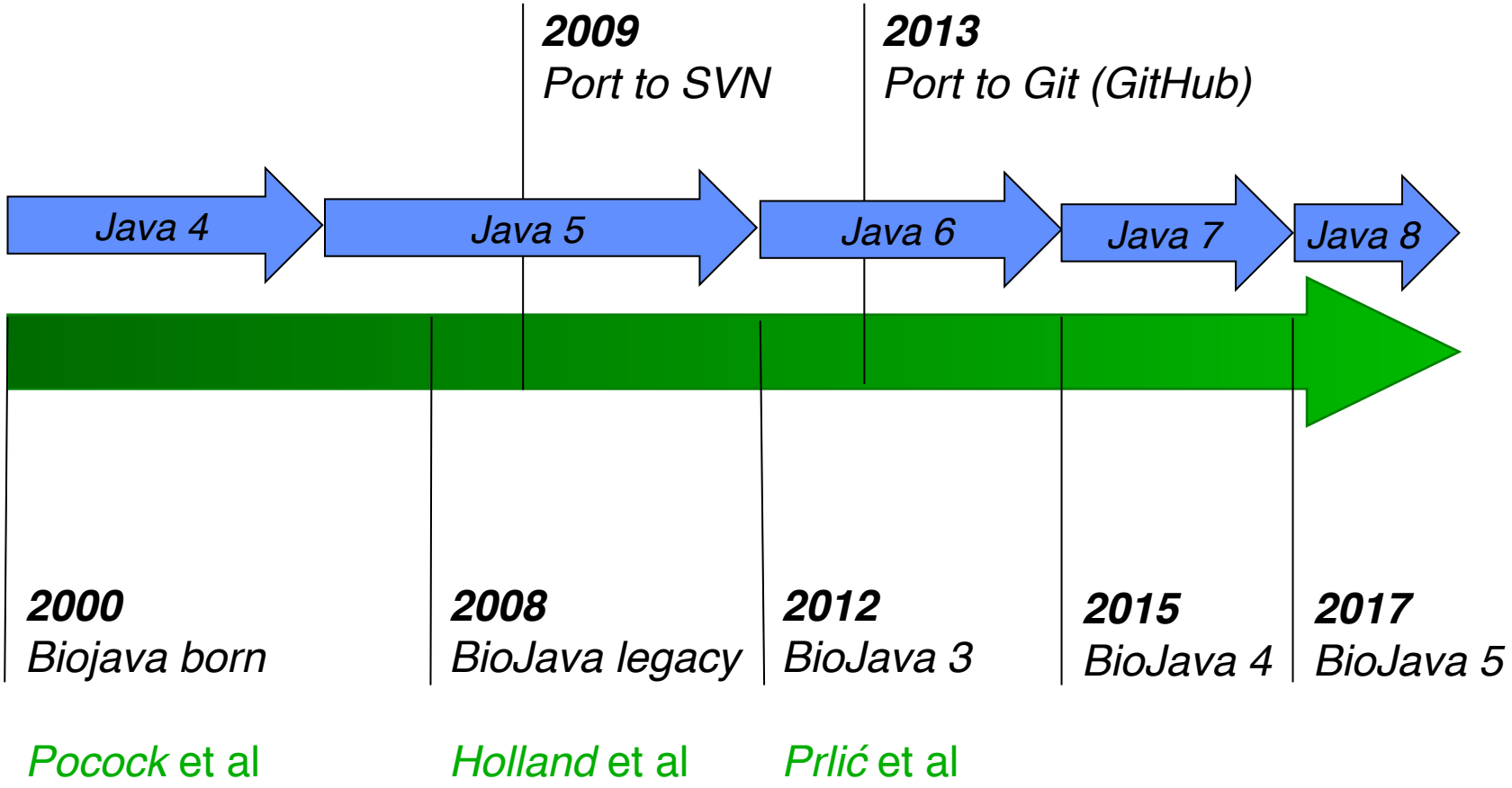
Setup

BioJava

BioJava is an **open-source** project dedicated to providing a **Java framework** for processing **biological data**

File parsers	Data models	Algorithms	Resources
• FASTA • PDB • MMCIF • MMTF	• Biological sequences • Protein structures	• Sequence and structure alignment • DSSP • Symmetry	• BLAST • Protein domains: SCOP, CATH, ECOD

History of BioJava



BioJava Resources

Website: https://biojava.org

Source code: https://github.com/biojava/biojava/

Wikipedia: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/BioJava

General information about the project

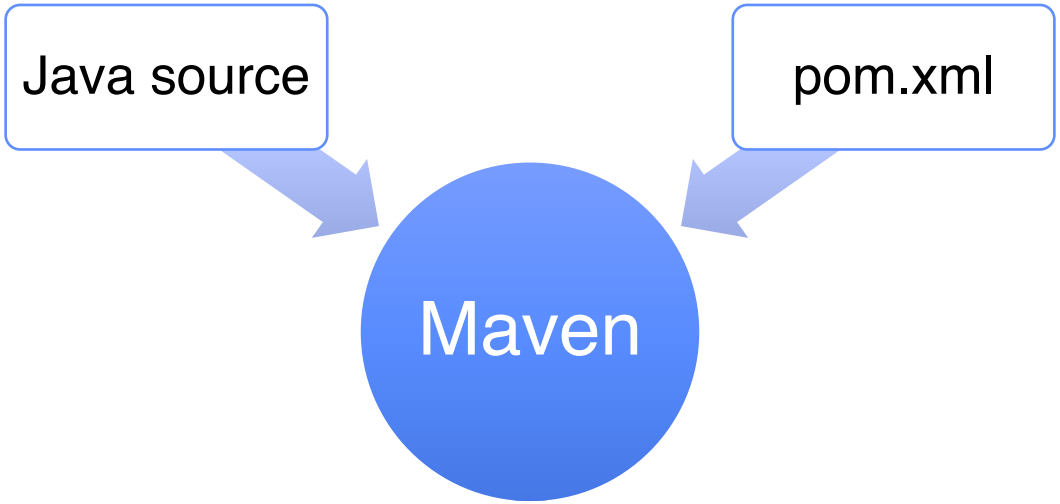
Tutorial: https://github.com/biojava/biojava-tutorial

Educational introduction into the tools provided by BioJava

Cookbook: http://biojava.org/wiki/BioJava:CookBook

Collection of “How do I…?” recipes for common tasks

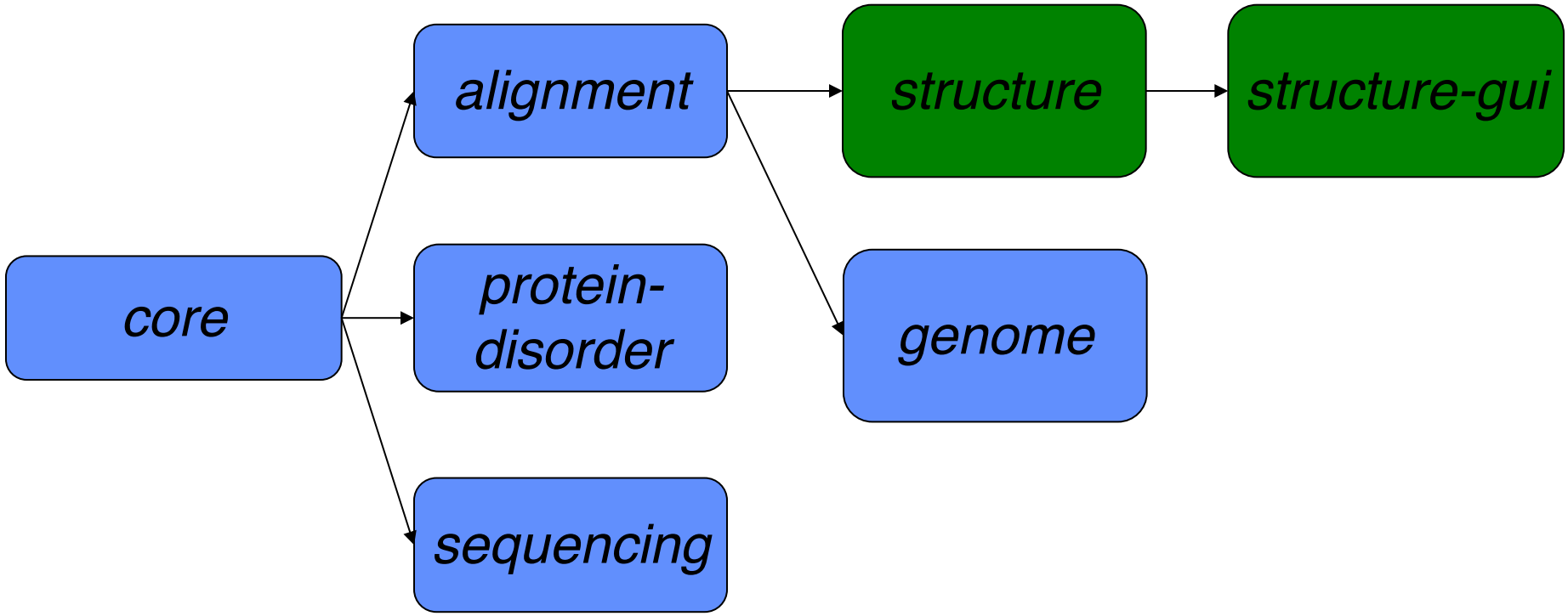
Setting up BioJava



- **Project Object Model (POM):** XML file that contains information about the project and configuration details

Setting up BioJava

- BioJava modules



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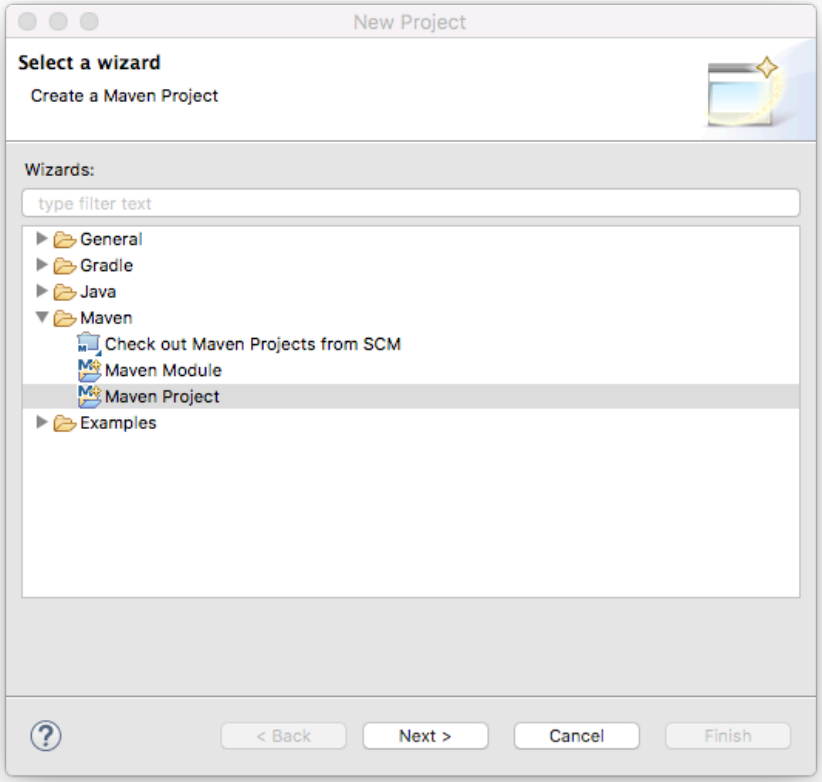

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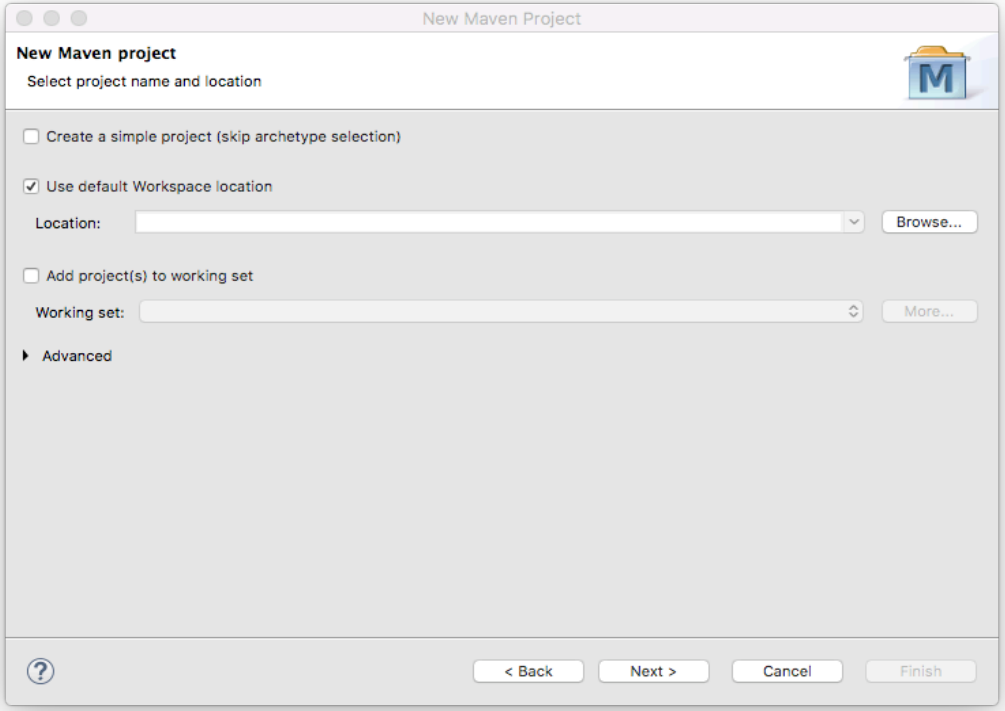

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- **Create a new Maven repository in Eclipse**
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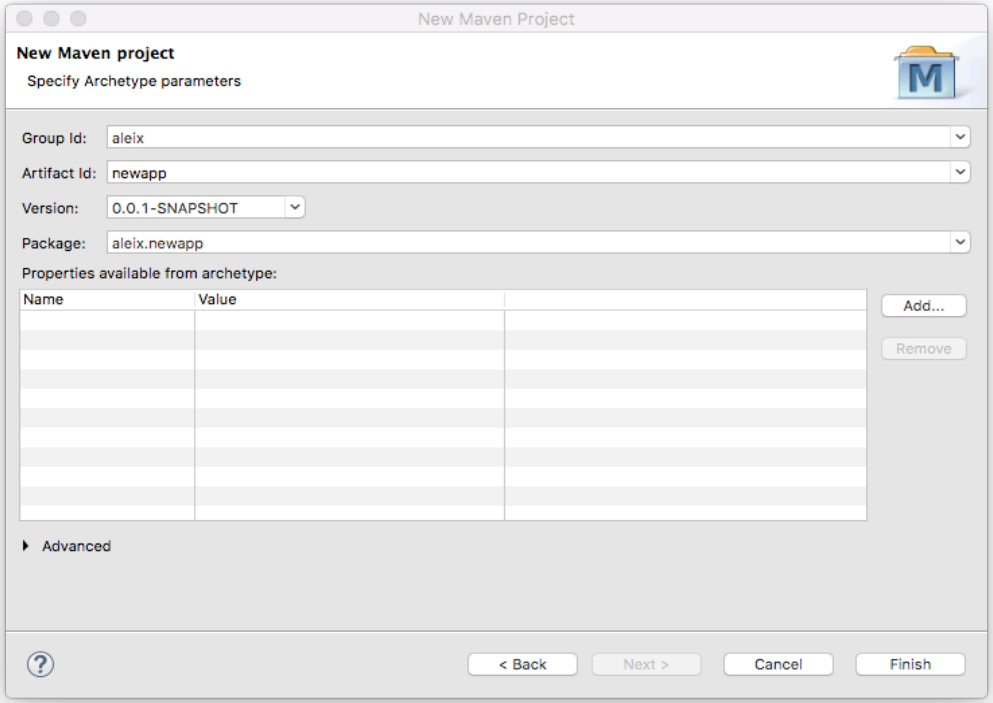
  2. Maven Project
  3. Use defaults
  4. Choose your group and project id



Problem 1

- **Configure the new Maven repository and add the BioJava dependency**

  - **Task 1**: fill in the URL field (replace the default URL)
  - **Task 2**: configure the Java 8 JDK. Insert these properties in the POM:

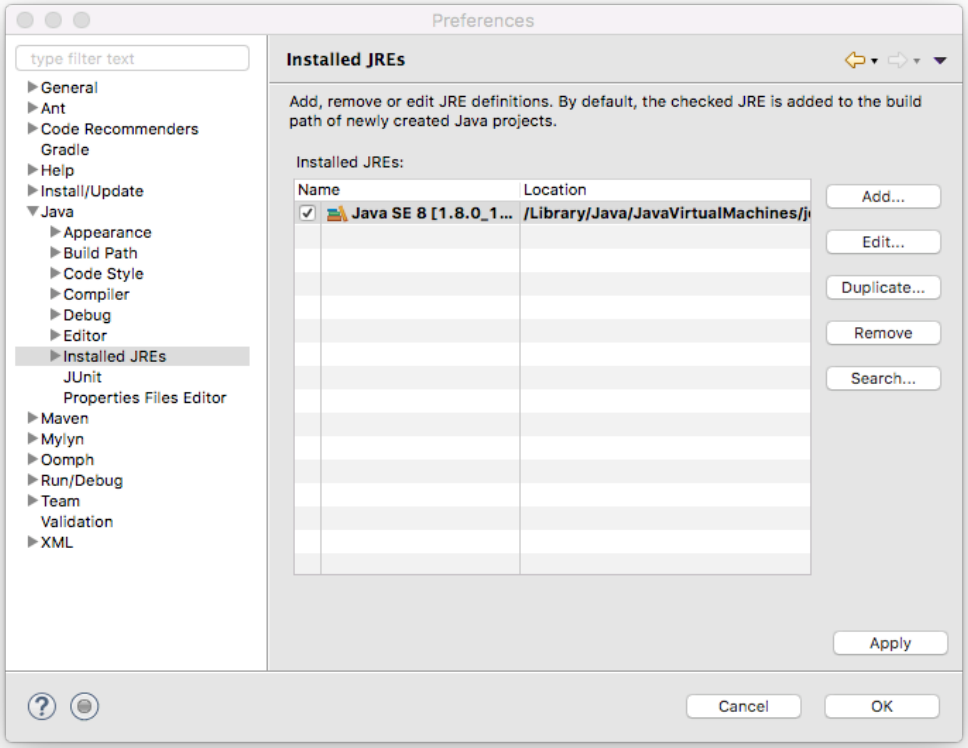
    <jdk.version>1.8</jdk.version>
    <maven.enforcer.jdk-version>1.8</maven.enforcer.jdk-version>
    <maven.compiler.source>1.8</maven.compiler.source>
    <maven.compiler.target>1.8</maven.compiler.target>

  - **Task 3**: insert the *biojava-stucture-gui* dependency (hint: https://github.com/biojava/biojava-tutorial/blob/master/installation.md)

  - **Task 4:** ensure BioJava version is the latest (5.0.0-alpha8)

Demo 1

- **Configure the BioJava environment**
  1. Eclipse > Preferences > Java > Installed JREs
  2. Edit…



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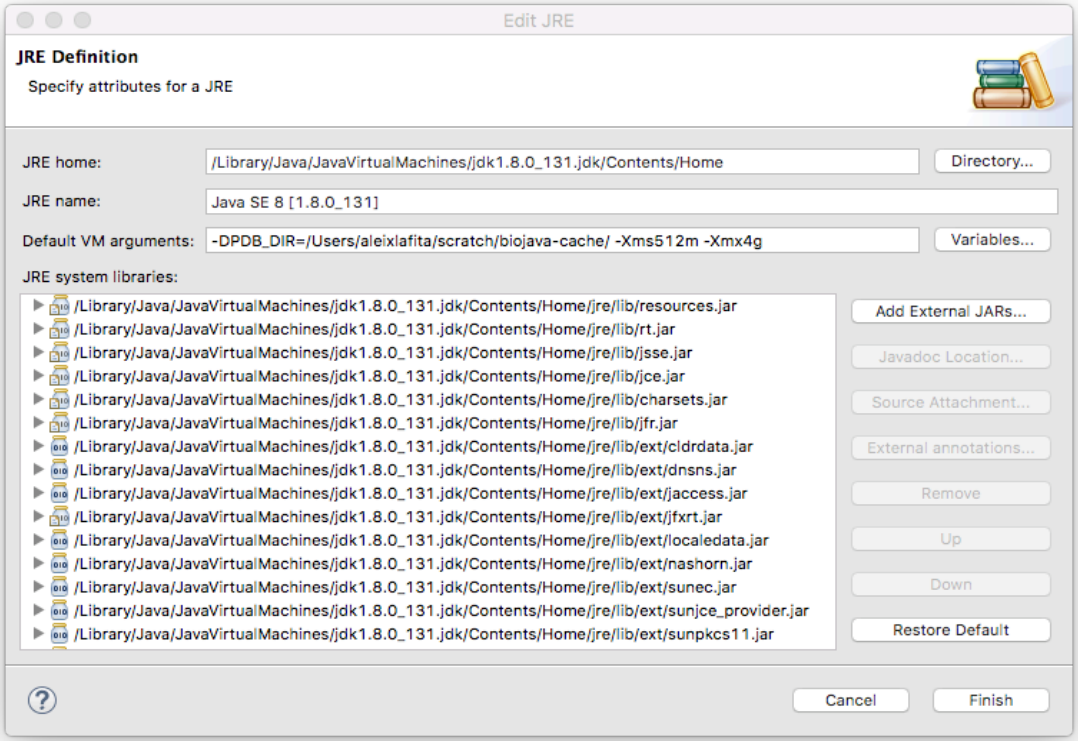
  3. Add -DPDB_DIR= directory



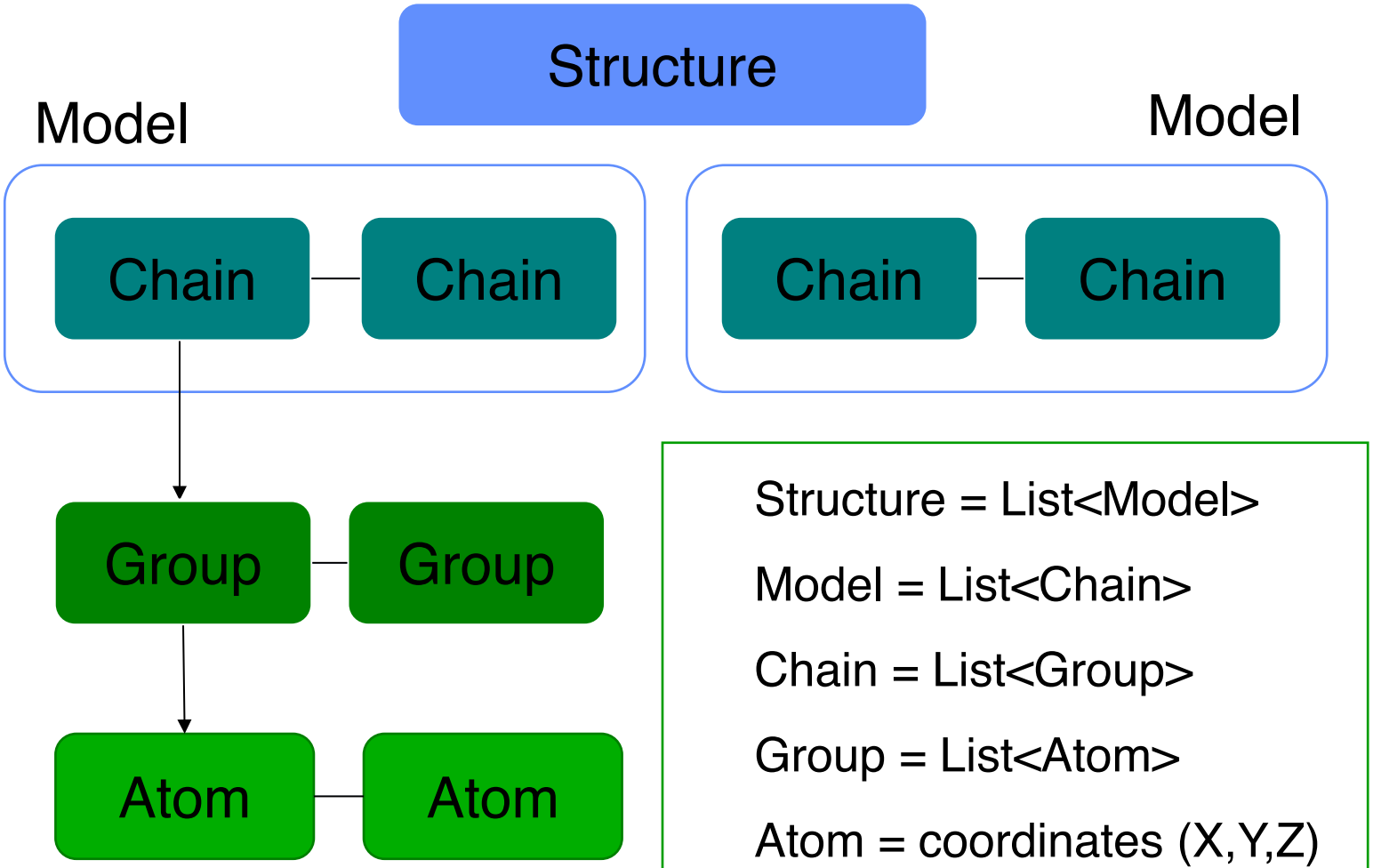
PART 2
BioJava Structures

Structure objects

Loading and writing

Operations

Structure Objects



Group Types

- **BioJava** uses the **Chemical Component Dictionary** to assign group types
  - Amino Acid (L-peptides)
  - Nucleotide (DNA or RNA)
  - Waters
  - Hetatoms

https://github.com/biojava/biojava-tutorial/blob/master/structure/chemcomp.md

Loading Structure Objects

- **AtomCache**
  - PDB ids (2HHB)
  - Structural ranges (2HHB.A:1-20)
  - SCOP, CATH & ECOD ids (d2hhba_)
  - Many configuration options
- **StructureIO**

Demo 2

- Load a structure in different formats
- Write a structure from BioJava to a file

Problem 2

- **Traverse BioJava structures**
  - **Task 1**: number of models. Hint: *nrModels*
  - **Task 2**: number of polymer chains. Hint: *PolyChains*
  - **Task 3**: number of amino acids in a chain.
    - Take a look at the *GroupType* class first
    - Hint: use one method from the Chain object
  - **Task 4**: number of oxygens in the amino acids of a chain.
    - Take a look at the *Element* class
    - Hint: use a double loop iteration over List of Groups and Atoms

PART 3
BioJava Applications

Biological assemblies
Visualization in Jmol

Biological Assemblies

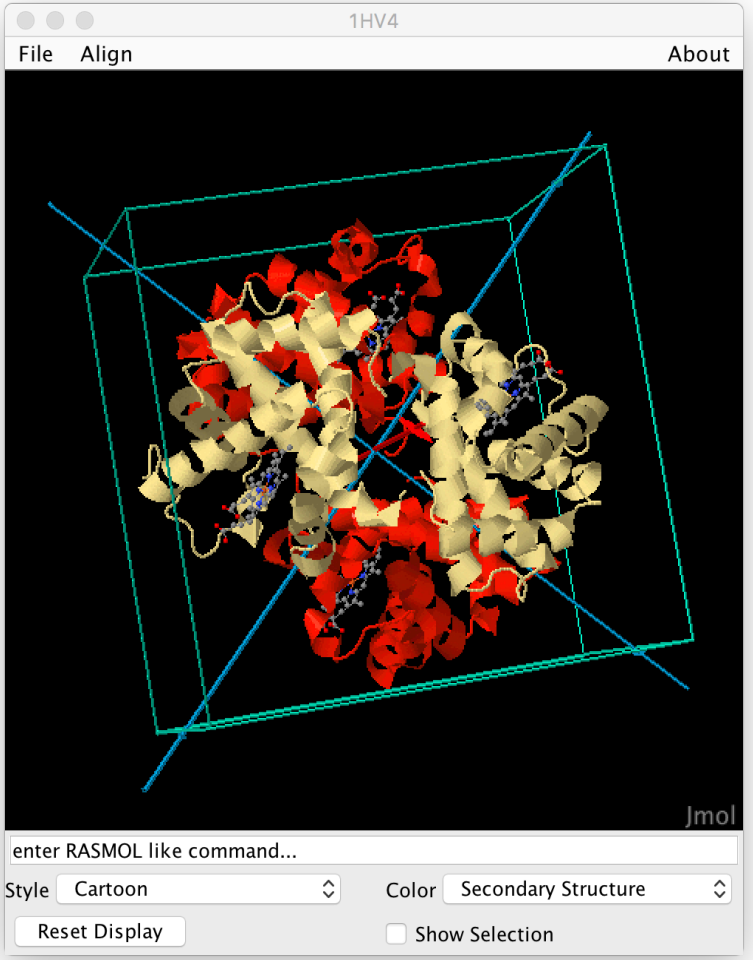
- **Important concepts**
  - Asymmetric Unit (AU)
  - Unit cell
  - Crystal lattice

- **Resource:**
  - https://pdb101.rcsb.org/learn/guide-to-understanding-pdb-data/biological-assemblies

Visualization in Jmol

- Interface for **quick** and **simple** visualization of structures in **Jmol**

1. Start a **JFrame**
2. Insert a **Jmol** panel
3. Convert the **BioJava** structure to a structure file (PDB, MMTF)
4. Send the structure file to the **Jmol** panel



Problem 3

- **Display the symmetry of a biological assembly**
  - **Task 1**: download a biological assembly.
    - Hint: use the StructureIO class directly.
    - Warning: set the multiModel option to true (false is default) to be able to visualize the results (due to limitation of single letter chains in PDB format)
  - **Task 2**: change the parameters for pseudo-symmetry analysis.
    - Hint: structural clustering instead of sequence.
  - **Task 3**: obtain the symmetry and stoichiometry from the result.
    - Hint: use getter methods.

Thank you!

BioJava

Contributing

- **Do you want to use BioJava for your project?**
- **Do you have any ideas?**
- **Would you like to stay tuned?**

- **Join us at:**
  - GitHub issues: https://github.com/biojava/biojava/issues
  - Mailing list: http://biojava.org/wiki/BioJava%3AMailingLists
  - Gitter: https://gitter.im/biojava/biojava

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