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5th International Workshop on Domain-Specific Languages and models for ROBotic systems (DSLRob-14)

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After the overwhelming push towards the design of robotics software platforms (e.g. ROS, Orocos, SmartSoft, OpenRTM, etc.) we now need to [make robotics programming and configuration as accessible as possible to application domain experts](#). Domain-Specific Languages (DSLs) and Model-driven Engineering (MDE) are emerging areas of interest in the robotics research community, which have been instrumental for resolving complex issues in a wide range of domains (e.g. distributed and modular robotics, control, and vision) and have the potential for significantly facilitating how robots are programmed.

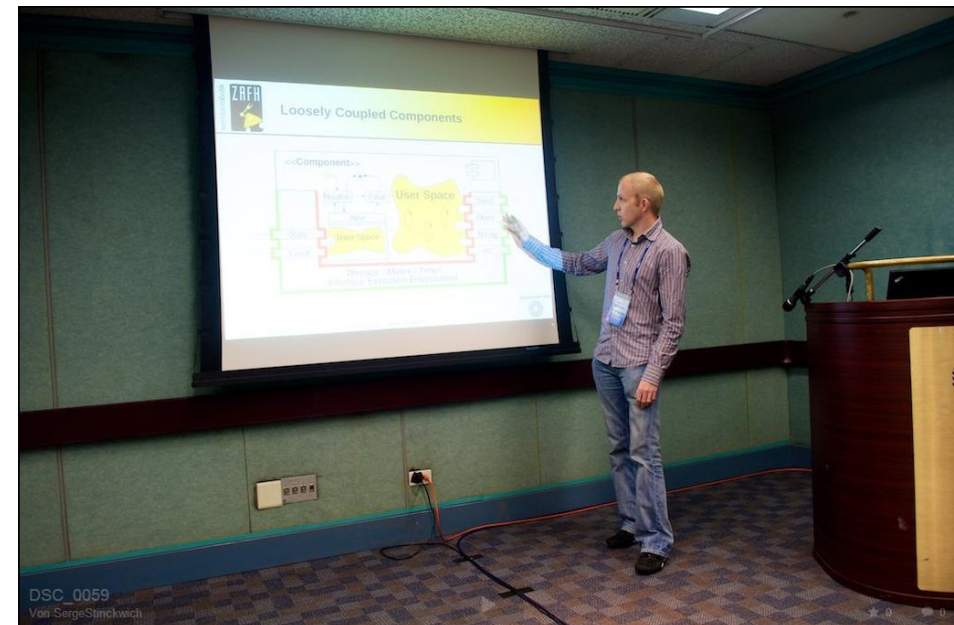
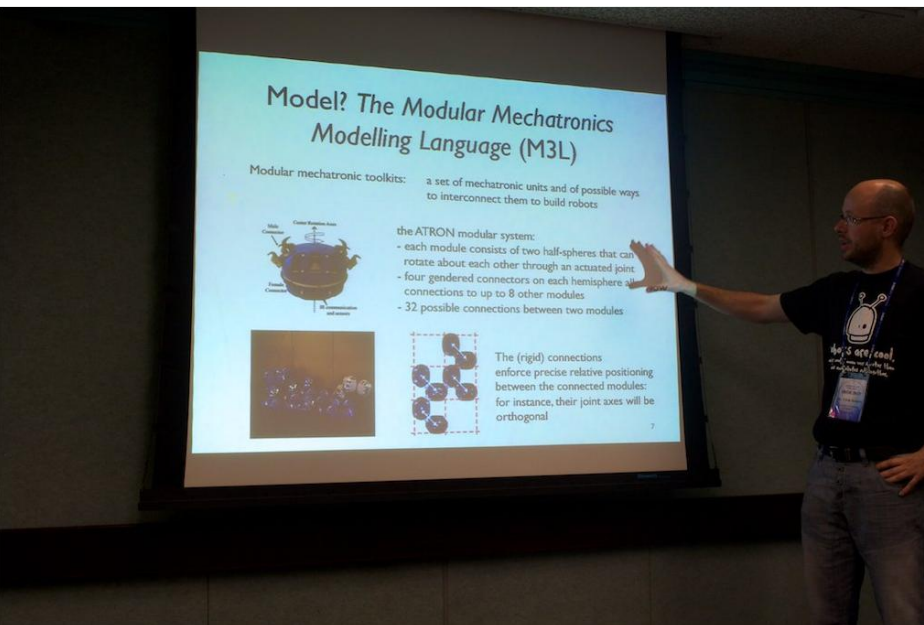
[The goal of this workshop is to bring together robotics researchers working with DSLs and models in different aspects of robotics. The challenge of building complex systems that compose several lower-level models or domain-specific languages is considered of special interest this year.](#)

The workshop will focus on the use of Domain-Specific Languages and Models for Robotic Systems. The main objective of this workshop is a cross-pollination of ideas between robotics researchers in DSLs and models from different domains. DSLs and models are key elements in many robotic systems presented at leading conferences such as IROS and ICRA, but the domain-centric structure of the typical robotics conference does not offer a natural venue for exchange of ideas regarding DSLs and models.

The intended audience is those robotics researchers throughout the entire robotics community who use DSLs and models as a key component of their robotics software infrastructure. In addition, robotics researchers with an interest in modern approaches to solving complex software-related issues will find the workshop inspirational.

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1st DSLRob 2010 at IROS 2010 (Taipei)
4 papers



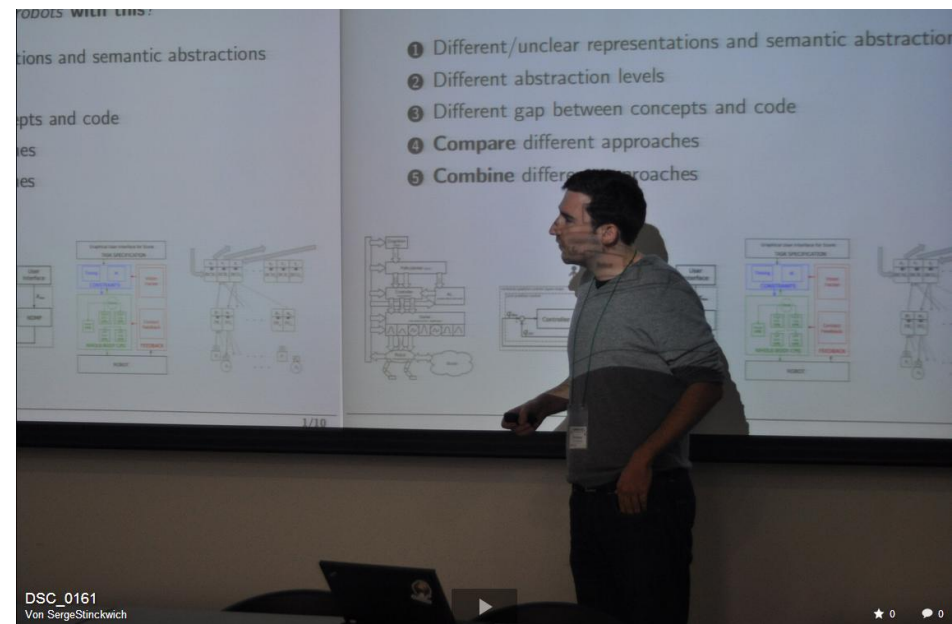
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2nd DSLRob 2011 co-located at IROS 2011 (San Francisco)
4 papers



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3rd DSLRob 2012 at SIMPAR 2012 (Tsukuba)
6 papers



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4th DSLRob 2013 at University of Tokyo (co-located at IROS 2013)
7 papers



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5th DSLRob 2014 at SIMPAR 2014 (Bergamo)
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This workshop will focus on the use of Domain-Specific Languages and Models for Robotic Systems. Topics that are of special interest include:

- domain-specific languages for robotics, languages to teach robotics, visual languages for robotics
- domain-specific languages to express reactive behaviors, composition of behaviors, motion description languages (MDL),
- domain-specific languages to express uncertainty, modeling of physical systems, real-time constraints,
- domain-specific languages to describe cooperative robotics and modular robotics systems,
- models to represent robotics software architectures and their variability,
- runtime models for reasoning and dynamic adaptation,
- tool support and frameworks for describing and manipulating DSLs and models for robotic systems,
- code generation and code transformation for robotics systems, variability in robotic systems,
- frameworks to combine DSLs in a uniform manner,
- benchmarks to compare the use of DSLs vs general-purpose programming languages, and
- programming languages in the context of robotic systems



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09:00 – 09:30 Welcome and Opening / Christian Schlegel, Ulrik Pagh Schultz

09:30 - 10:00 Ali Paikan, Giorgio Metta and Lorenzo Natale

A representation of robotic behaviors using component port arbitration

10:00 - 10:30 COFFEE BREAK

10:30 - 11:00 Benjamin Schwartz, Ludwig Nägele, Andreas Angerer and Bruce MacDonald

Towards a graphical language for quadrotor missions

11:00 - 11:30 Johan Sund Laursen, Jacob Pørksen Buch, Lars Carøe Sørensen, Dirk Kraft,

Henrik Gordon Petersen, Lars-Peter Ellekilde and Ulrik Pagh Schultz

Towards Error Handling in a DSL for Robot Assembly Tasks

11:30 - 12:00 Malte Wirkus

Towards Robot-independent Manipulation Behavior Description

12:00 - 12:15 **Lightning Talk:** Luca Gherardi

Addressing Deployment-time and Run-time Variability in Robotics Software Systems

12:15 - 13:40 LUNCH BREAK

13:40 - 14:10 Sorin Adam and Ulrik Pagh Schultz

Towards Interactive, Incremental Programming of ROS Nodes

14:10 - 14:40 Pablo Estefó, Miguel Campusano, Luc Fabresse, Johan Fabry, Jannik Laval and Noury Bouraqadi

Towards Live Programming in ROS with PhaROS and LRP

14:40 - 15:20 **Invited Talk:** Arne Nordmann, Nico Hochgeschwender, Sebastian Wrede

An Overview of Domain-Specific Languages in Robotics

15:20 – 15:50 COFFEE BREAK

15:50 – 16:10 **Invited Talk:** Alex Lotz, Matthias Lutz, Dennis Stampfer, Christian Schlegel

Supporting Separation of Roles in the SmartMDS-Toolchain: Three examples of integrated DSLs

16:10 - 17:10 DISCUSSION - roadmap (hot topics, priorities, benefits) of issues related to the WS topics