InterMine as a Science Gateway for Systems Biology



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Talk Roadmap

- (1) Desktop technologies & systems biology
- (2) Problem how to leverage resulting data space
- (3) Sequence Ontology & Data Schemas
- (4) InterMine how it works as a Science Gateway





The Good News...



The Problem...



Ontologies to the Rescue...

Solution lies in the



Forms a schema based around the ultimate frame of reference - the genome

Genomic features described as parts of gene models, assembly components, experimental results generating annotations defined as being associated with a specific location...

Forms an excellent means to bind the various systems biology datasets together in the same data space





The basis for building a schema...



Sequence Ontology – e.g. mapping experimental results







Conceptual Solution...



Introducing InterMine...

Open Source Data Warehouse



github.com/intermine

InterMine has three parts:

1. Database

a.Load data from different data sets into a single database

- 2. Webapp
 - a.Mine the data
 - b.Visualise!
- 3. Web services





InterMine - Backend

Originally developed by Gos Micklem's group for FlyMine (2007)

Uses read-only **ObjectStore** methodology to implement fast queries on linked dataspace using Seq. Ont. schema.

Web-enabled access also via RESTful Perl, Python, Java, Ruby, R APIs

Java/PostgreSQL core code base, Tomcat for web services





Main step - Constructing & Loading a Data Model (using SO)



Data Model for ObjectStore based on

- experimental data space
- organism's genome(s)
- literature references
- published/archived 'omics data
- Data loaded from parsers to XML InterMine format





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ElnterMine



Using the QueryBuilder tool to explore dataspace



Show empty fields



ElinterMine

Constraint logic: A and B and C

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Using Web Services remotely...

List of Identifiers \rightarrow List of database records \rightarrow Homologues in X \rightarrow Their protein domains

use InterMine::Webservice;

```
my $flymine = Webservice::InterMine->get_service('www.flymine.org/query', 'TOKEN');
my $list = $flymine->new_list(type => 'Gene', content => "some/file.txt");
```

```
my $query = $list->to_query;
$query->add_views('homologues.homologue.symbol');
$query->add_constraint('homologues.homologue.organism.shortName', '=', 'R norvegicus');
my $rat_symbols = [map {$_->{homologues.homologue.symbol}} $query->results(''hashrefs")];
```

```
my $ratmine = Webservice::InterMine->get_service('ratmine.mcw.edu/ratmine');
my $rat_query = $ratmine->new_query(class => 'Gene');
$rat_query->add_views(qw/symbol primaryIdentifier proteins.proteinDomains.name/);
$rat_query->add_constraint('symbol', 'ONE OF', $rat_symbols);
$rat_query->show;
```





InterMines, Intermines...

EXISTING MINES

A number of different data warehouses powered by InterMine already exist. These include:

FlyMine - Drosophila genomics modMine - fly and worm modENCODE data MouseMine - at MGI RatMine - at RGD WormMine - at WormBase YeastMine - at SGD ZebrafishMine - at ZFIN INDIGOmine - microbes ThaleMine - Araport Project with data for Arabidopsis thaliana ChickpeaMine - Desi & Kabul chickpea TargetMine - drug target discovery MitoMiner - proteomic data for mitochondria HumanMine - human FlyTF.org - Drosophila transcription factors PhytoMine - plants MedicMine - Medicago truncatula BovineMine - Bos Taurus HymenopteraMine - Bees, Ants & Wasps SoyMine - Soybase soy bean data CHOMine - Cricetulus griseus and CHO cells

BeanMine- LegFed chado bean dataLegumeMine- String bean, Soy, andPeanutPeanutMinePeanutMine- Peanut chado/GFF dataShaare- Gene candidate prioritisationPlanMine- Planarian flatwormsWheat3BMine- Wheat chromosome 3BGrapeMine- GrapevineRepetDB- repetitive DNA elementsXenMine- XenopusTetraMine- Tetrahymena thermophila





What about the DCI thing?

InterMines' tend to be standalone `silos' based one one model organism/biological process.

ToxoMine:

DB server (8 core, 32GB RAM, 2 TB) Web servers (4 core, 16GB, 256 GB)

However – fundamental homology between all living organisms enables interoperability 'for free' through the Sequence Ontology.

Offers a Virtual Observatory like experience across registered Mines.





Cross-species query can be performed using the InterMOD infrastructure



Ongoing InterMine Community Activity

RDFization of Intermine

Create MO-LD (Model Organism Linked Data)

- improve interoperability
- enable federated queries across larger RDF space
- better packaging for local/cloud deployment





Enchanced Webservice functionality

Evolve infrastructure to current state-of-the-art

- move away from Java/Tomcat paradigm
- modularity to integrate third-party web apps
- Clojure, Angular, PostgreSQL, Web Services



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