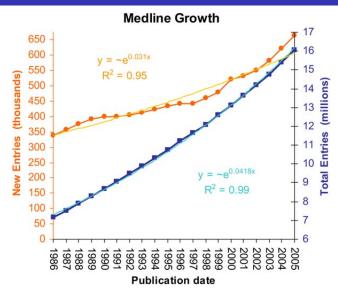
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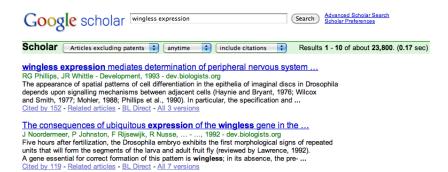
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Exponential Growth of Papers



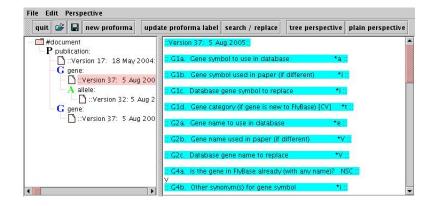
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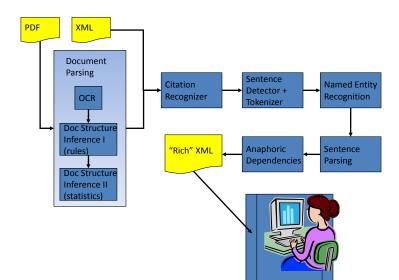
... wingless expression and is not required for reception of the paracrine wingless ... EJ Rulifson, SS Blair - Development, 1995 - dev. biologists.org

In the imaginal wing disc of Drosophila, sensory mother cells (SMCs), the precursors of the sensory organs differentiate in a highly stereotyped pattern (Shysen and O'Kane, 1989; Huang et al.

FlyBase Proforma / Information Extraction



The Paper Annotation Pipeline



Evalution Measures

Precision: $\frac{TruePositives}{TruePositives + FalsePositives}$

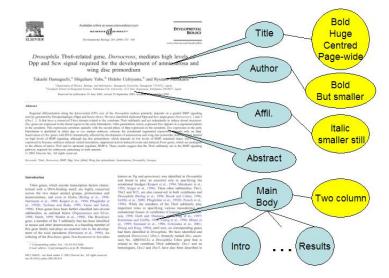
Recall: $\frac{TruePositives}{TruePositives + FalseNegatives}$

F-measure: $\frac{Precision \times Recall \times 2}{Precision + Recall}$

Mean Av. Prec.: $\frac{\sum_{r=1}^{N}(Prec(r) \times TP?(r))}{TruePositives + FalseNegatives}$

N = no. of TPs and FPs, r = rank

PDF to (Sci)XML



Citation Recognition

For each paper:

- 1 Find candidate names in references section: Ashburner
- **2** Find citation dates: 19|20xx(a|b)
- 3 Mark-up occurrences of name candidates leftwards from dates: Ashburner *et al.* (1985), (see Ashburner, 1983)

97% F-meas.?

Sentence Detection / Tokenization

- Resolve abbreviatory / sentential periods:
 ... et al. Adh vs. ... Adh. However
- Separate punctuation / remove some hyphenation: Adh ., insulin-like, phosphoryl-ation
- 3 Normalize Greek super/sub-scripts, footnote indices, etc: Adh^{α} , $Adh.^{\dagger}$

95% F-meas.

Named Entity Recognition

- FlyBase: 18k Genes, 75k Gene Names
- Overlap with general English: But, Can, Mad, spliced
- Spelling variation: Fas-III, fas III
- Annotate gene names in abstracts automatically using FlyBase
- Train a Conditional Random Field sequential classifier
- 3 Label tokens as (part of) gene names

85% F-meas. (abstracts) 83% F-meas. (full papers)

Sentence Parsing

- 1 Assign Part-of-Speech (PoS) Labels to tokens using Hidden Markov Model: we name/VV0 ...
- 2 Build graph of Grammatical Relations (GRs) between words using probabilistic LR model: subject(name, we)
- 3 Models trained on general English 20% unseen words
- 4 Correct PoS labels for gene names to proper noun

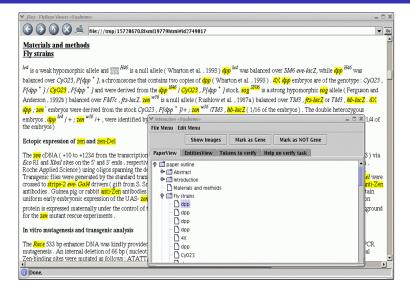
75% F-meas. overall, 80% Recall for top 10 analyses

Anaphora Resolution

- Assign more semantic classes to biological entitites: DNA, promoter, ... using the Sequence Ontology
- 2 Link coreferential definite descriptions / pronouns to antecedents: IL-2 promoter... This protein / It...
- 3 Link associative definite descriptions to antecedents: IL-2 is overexpressed... The promoter...
- Weighted Rule-based classifier using GR-context and semantic classes

58% F-meas. (69% with correct GRs)

PaperBrowser - Gene Mentions



PaperBrowser – Associated Entities

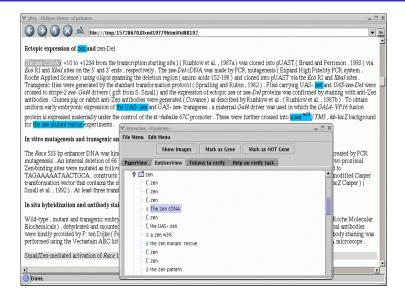


Image Processing

- Low-dimensional feature vector to summarise content of each image
- Colour and Intensity global bitstring, concatenated with:
- Wavelet decomposition for edge information
- Project vectors to randomly generated hyperplanes
- Use their signs as key for locality sensitive hashing

Indexing for Search

- Lucene open source IR library, native XML handling, scalable
- Fields: word stems & lemmas, GRs, and named entities
- Ranked search overlaid with Boolean operators that alter rank
- Search by word stems and named entity (classes) in search box
- Refine search over sentences using lemmas and GR-patterns

Distributed Paper Recovery and Annotation

- Each paper takes av. 10mins to run thru' pipeline
- Use (UK part of) Grid (for LHC data processing) 200K CPUs
- 15K FlyBase papers, 8K hours CPU, 3 days, max 100 jobs
- Ganga: error handling and job resubmission
- Distrbuted Spider: retrieved over 350K PDFs for papers

Goal: Find out which genes are involved in eye development and what they do.

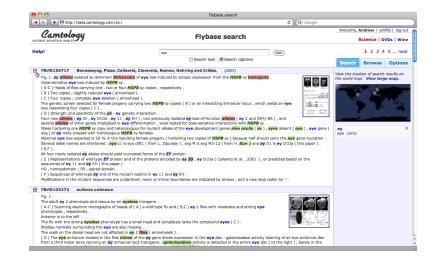
Query: Find all sentences in figure captions within the document collection which contain any gene name premodifying the term *expression*, where the figure is a picture of an eye.

Method: Incrementally and interactively combine term search, image clustering, and pattern search over GRs to realize this query.

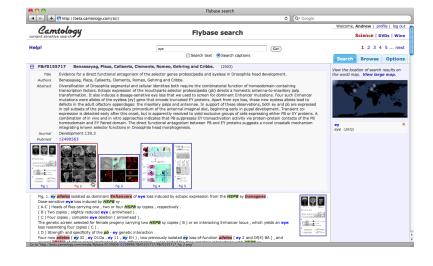
Screenshots:

Highlighted search terms, Gene names, Gene products

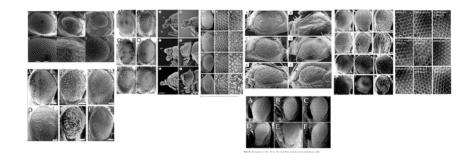
Step1: Captions containing eye



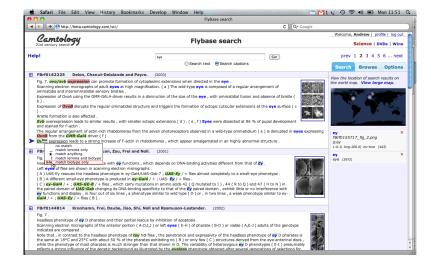
Step2: Select an image of an eye



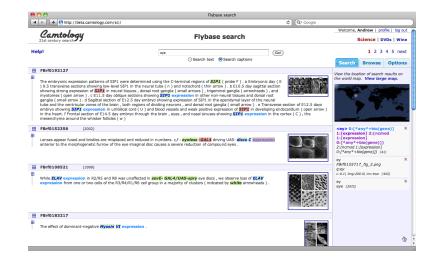
Step3: Clustered images (captions not shown)



Step4: Refine text search within caption for one image



Results of refined text search



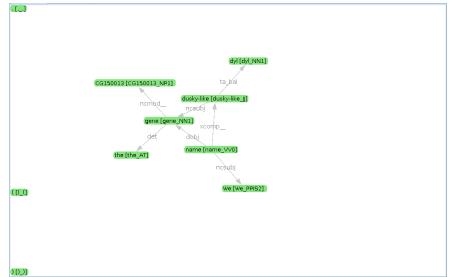
Gene Expression

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Query 1: express AND Adh
Query 2: express \rightarrow^+ Adh
Query 3: Query 1 + OR overexpress... CG32954...
Query 4: Query 2 + OR overexpress... CG32954...
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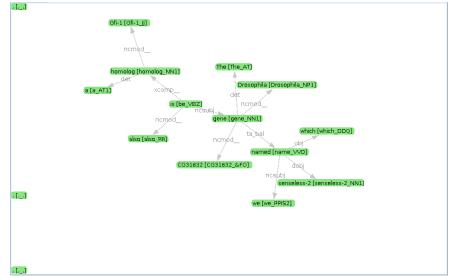
- express Adh
- expression of Adh
- Adh is one of the most highly expressed genes

Query	1	2	3	4
MAP	0.735	0.758	0.855	0.933

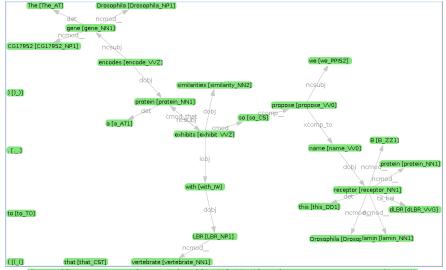
GRs and Gene Naming



GRs, anaphora and naming



Complexity = Problems!



S4P0: The Drosophila gene CG17952 encodes a protein that exhibits similarities with vertebrate LBR so we propose to name this protein Drosophila lamin B receptor (dLBR).

Gene Naming Queries

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Query 1: bioG:CG* AND name
Query 2: bioG:CG* AND (name OR call OR refer OR ...)
Query 3: Query 2 + (CGid 'refer to as' GENE) OR ('name' CGid
GENE) OR (CGid '(' GENE ')') ...)
Query 4: Query 2 + CGid \rightarrow<sup>+</sup> GENE
Query 5: Queries 2, 3 + 4
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Query	1	2	3	4	5
MAP	0.116	0.461	0.552	0.512	0.562

User Interface and Usability

- Term/class queries over sentences useful
- Image handling useful, clustering unintuitive
- Intuitive construction of GR-patterns
- But complex patterns cannot be easily constructed
- Ranking of complex (refined) query results often unintuitive
- 3/3 Curators are enthusiastic, but often frustrated...

Conclusions and Further Work

- 1 From PDF to SciXML using NLP
- 2 Integration of image and text search
- 3 Generic: domain-independent or weakly-supervised
- Make it all work better!
- IR to IE: Saving searches and search results
- Inference: e.g. transitivity (genes → proteins → diseases)

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