

*Merging CompuCell3D and  
SBW/SBML*

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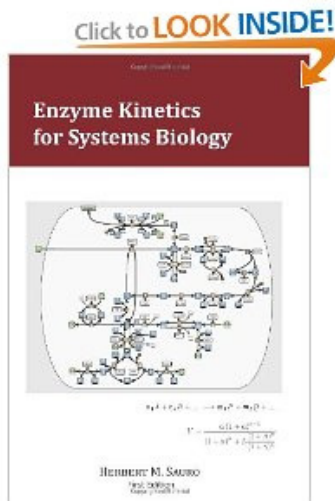
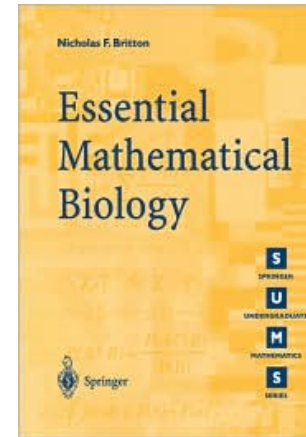
# Outline

- Objectives
- Ways to add RK to CC3D
- SBML format
- Generating SBML using Jarnac
  - Simple Oscillator
- Integrating with CC3D
  - Bionet example – simple oscillator
  - Adding Cell Cycle model from [sbml.org](http://sbml.org)
  - John Tyson's Cell Cycle model
  - Collier *et al.* Delta-Notch patterning model

# More on Reaction Kinetics Modeling

Essential Mathematical Biology

Nicholas Britton



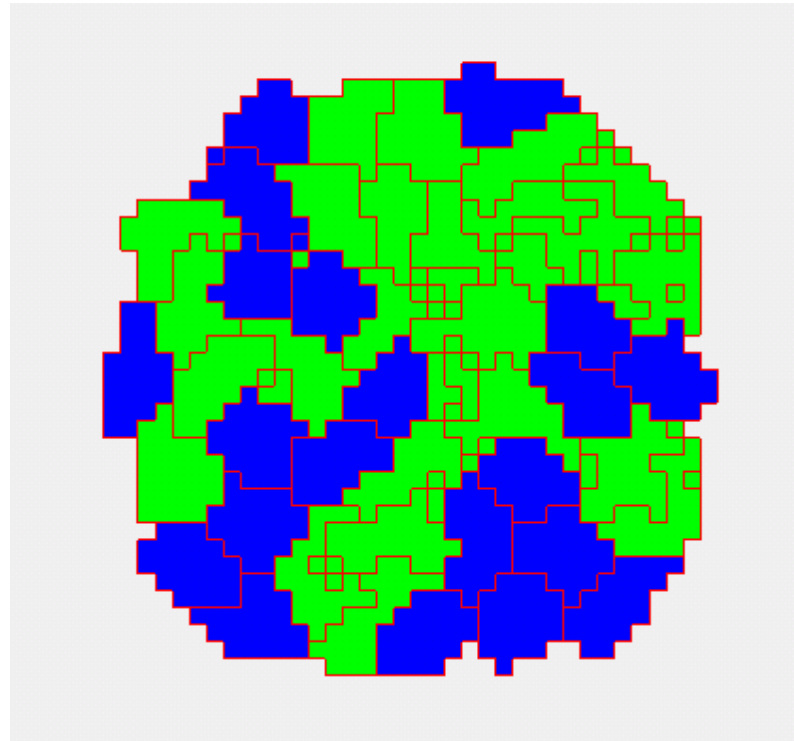
Enzyme Kinetics for Systems Biology

Herbert Sauro

[www.sys-bio.org/sbwWiki/tutorials/bloomington2011](http://www.sys-bio.org/sbwWiki/tutorials/bloomington2011)

# Cell-based modeling

- Cellular behaviors:
  - Location
  - Volume
  - Shape
  - Movement
  - Adhesion
  - Mitosis
  - Death
  - Differentiation
  - Polarization
  - Etc...

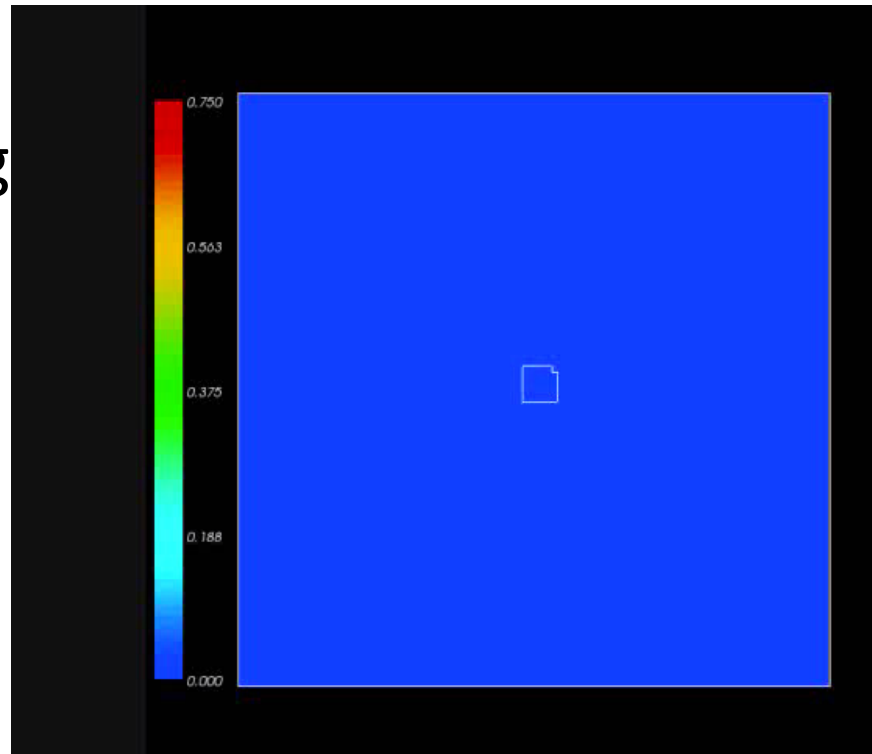
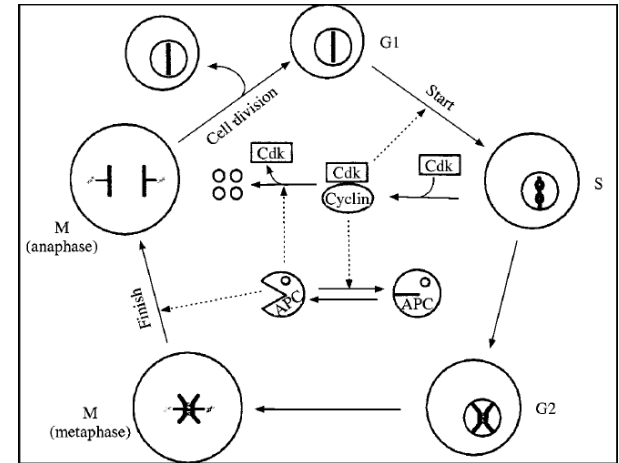


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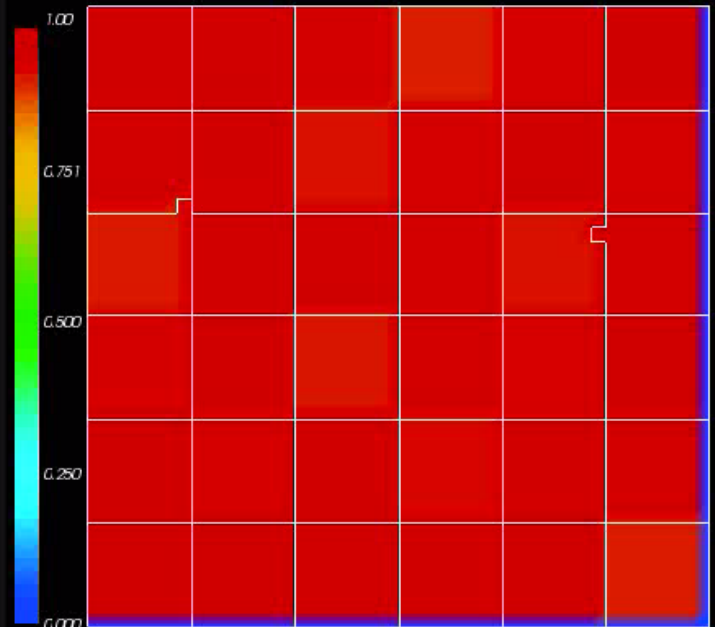
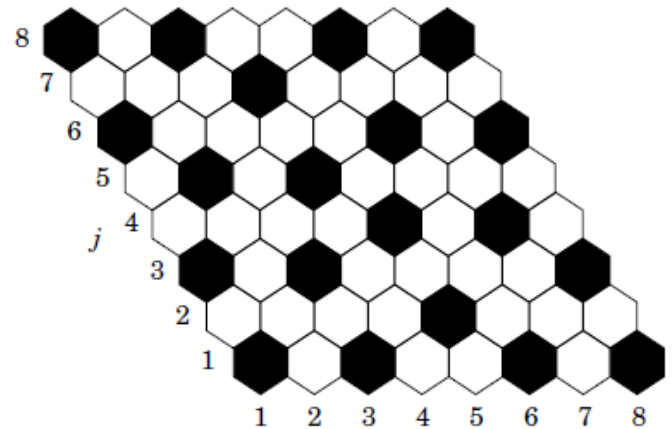
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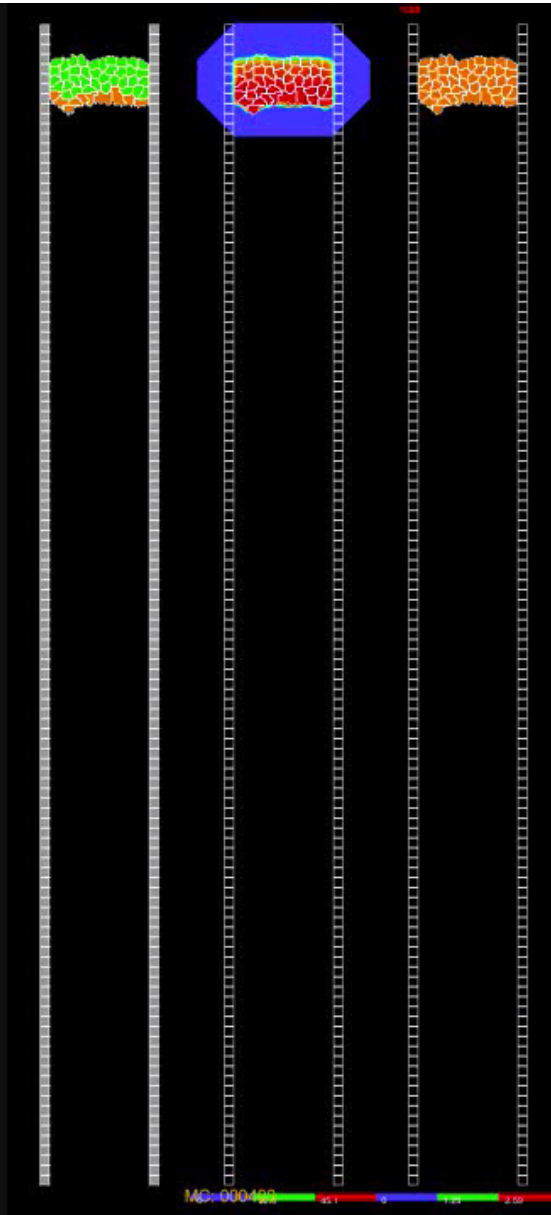


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# Multiscale model - Somitogenesis





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# SBML – Systems Biology Markup Language

- Not a software!
- Machine-readable format for representing subcellular models
- Standard for storage and exchange of models
- Implementation agnostic

# SBML

- How does it work?

Developer software (SBW/Jarnac)

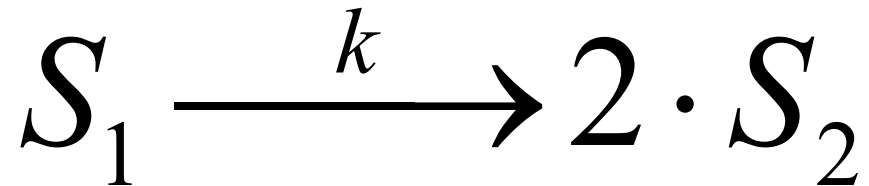


SBML



Simulation software (CompuCell3D)

# SBML



- Initial conditions:

$$S_1 = 5 \text{ nM}$$

$$S_2 = 0 \text{ nM}$$

- Parameters:

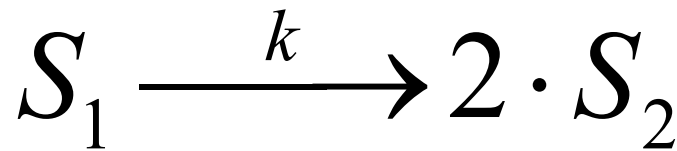
$$k = 0.1 \text{ min}^{-1}$$

# SBML

```
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  <model id = "cell">
    <listOfCompartments>
      <compartment id = "compartment" size = "1"/>
    </listOfCompartments>
    <listOfSpecies>
      <species id = "S1" boundaryCondition = "false" initialConcentration = "5.0" compartment = "compartment"/>
      <species id = "S2" boundaryCondition = "false" initialConcentration = "0.0" compartment = "compartment"/>
    </listOfSpecies>
    <listOfParameters>
      <parameter id = "k1" value = "0.1"/>
    </listOfParameters>
    <listOfReactions>
      <reaction id = "_J1" reversible = "false">
        <listOfReactants>
          <speciesReference species = "S1" stoichiometry = "1"/>
        </listOfReactants>
        <listOfProducts>
          <speciesReference species = "S2" stoichiometry = "2"/>
        </listOfProducts>
        <kineticLaw>
          <math xmlns = "http://www.w3.org/1998/Math/MathML">
            <apply>
              <times/>
              <ci>
                k1
              </ci>
              <ci>
                S1
              </ci>
            </apply>
          </math>
        </kineticLaw>
      </reaction>
    </listOfReactions>
  </model>
</sbml>
```

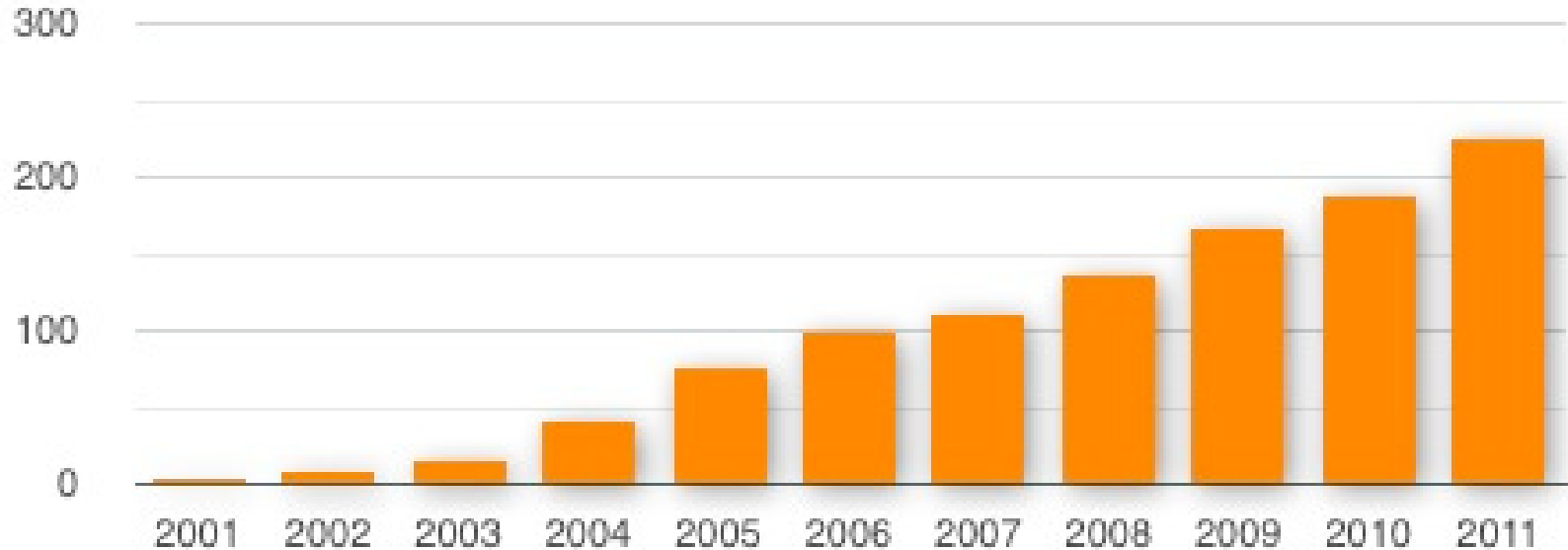
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$$\left. \begin{array}{l} S_1 = 5 \text{ nM} \\ S_2 = 0 \text{ nM} \end{array} \right\}$$



# SBML

- Total number of known SBML-compatible software packages each year :





# How to write SBML?

- [Bio-Spice](#)
  - Large collection of tools, integrated via a "Dashboard." Free download (BSD), various platforms.
- [Teranode](#)
  - Suite of tools for model management, design, and simulation. (Linux/Mac/Windows) Commercial (30-day trial available).
- [SBW](#)
  - Systems Biology Workbench.
- Check [http://sbml.org/SBML Software Guide](http://sbml.org/SBML_Software_Guide)

# SBW/Jarnac

- SBW - Systems Biology Workbench:
  - Open-source software framework for systems biology
- Jarnac:
  - Software for writing and simulating reaction kinetics
  - Easy to use
  - Translate to SBML (C++, Matlab, Mathematica, etc..)
- Download at: <http://www.sys-bio.org/>

# Integration with CC3D

- Reaction kinetic models can be easily added in CC3D when in SBML format.
- Once loaded, the model is converted into a set of ODEs and is solved by the BionetSolver library inside CC3D.
- The commands used to load and manipulate the models inside CC3D are summarized on the *“Quick Reference Guide”* for Python in CC3D.

# Integration with CC3D

```
import bionetAPI # Import bionetAPI functions
class <someClass>(SteppableBasePy):
    def __init__(self, _simulator, _frequency=1):
        SteppableBasePy.__init__(self, _simulator, _frequency)
        bionetAPI.initializeBionetworkManager(self.simulator) # Initialize bionet inside class

    def start(self):
        # Load a specific subcellular SBML submodel
        ModelName = <sbmlModelName> # Name of the model
        ModelPath = <sbmlModelPath> # Path where the model is stored
        ModelKey = <modelKey> # Nickname of the model
        IntegrationStep = <timeStep> # Time step of integration
        bionetAPI.loadSBMLModel( ModelName, ModelPath, ModelKey, IntegrationStep )

        # Add SBML submodel to a group of cells or a single cell
        bionetAPI.addSBMLModelToTemplateLibrary(<sbmlModelName>, {<cellType> or <cellId>})
        ...
        # Modify the parameter value or molecular concentration of a cell (or group of cells)
        bionetAPI.setBionetworkValue(<molecule/parameter>, <value>, {<cellType> or <cellId>})
        ...
        # Initialize model
        bionetAPI.initializeBionetworks()

    def step(self, mcs):
        # Iterate the model (run it for the time step specified on the load command)
        bionetAPI.timestepBionetworks()
        ...
        # Get the parameter value or molecular concentration from a cell (or group of cells)
        <var>=bionetAPI.getBionetworkValue({<parameter> or <molecule>}, {<cellType> or <cellId>})
        ...
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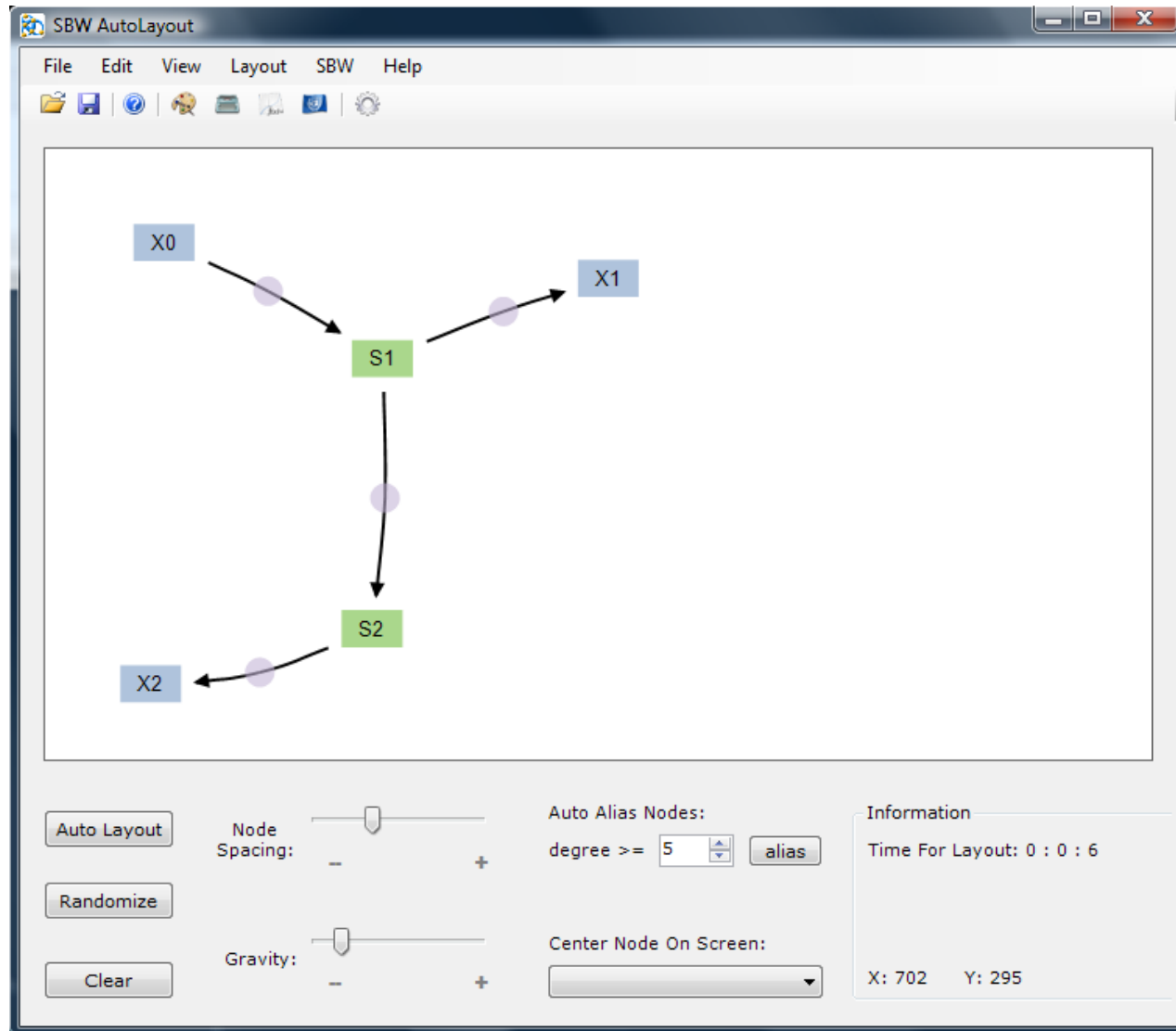
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# First Example

- MODEL:
  - 2 cell types:
    - Condensing
    - NonCondensing
  - Condensing cells have stable volume
  - NonCondensing cells' volume oscillate
  - Volume oscillation is driven by a subcellular model:
    - Oscli.sbml

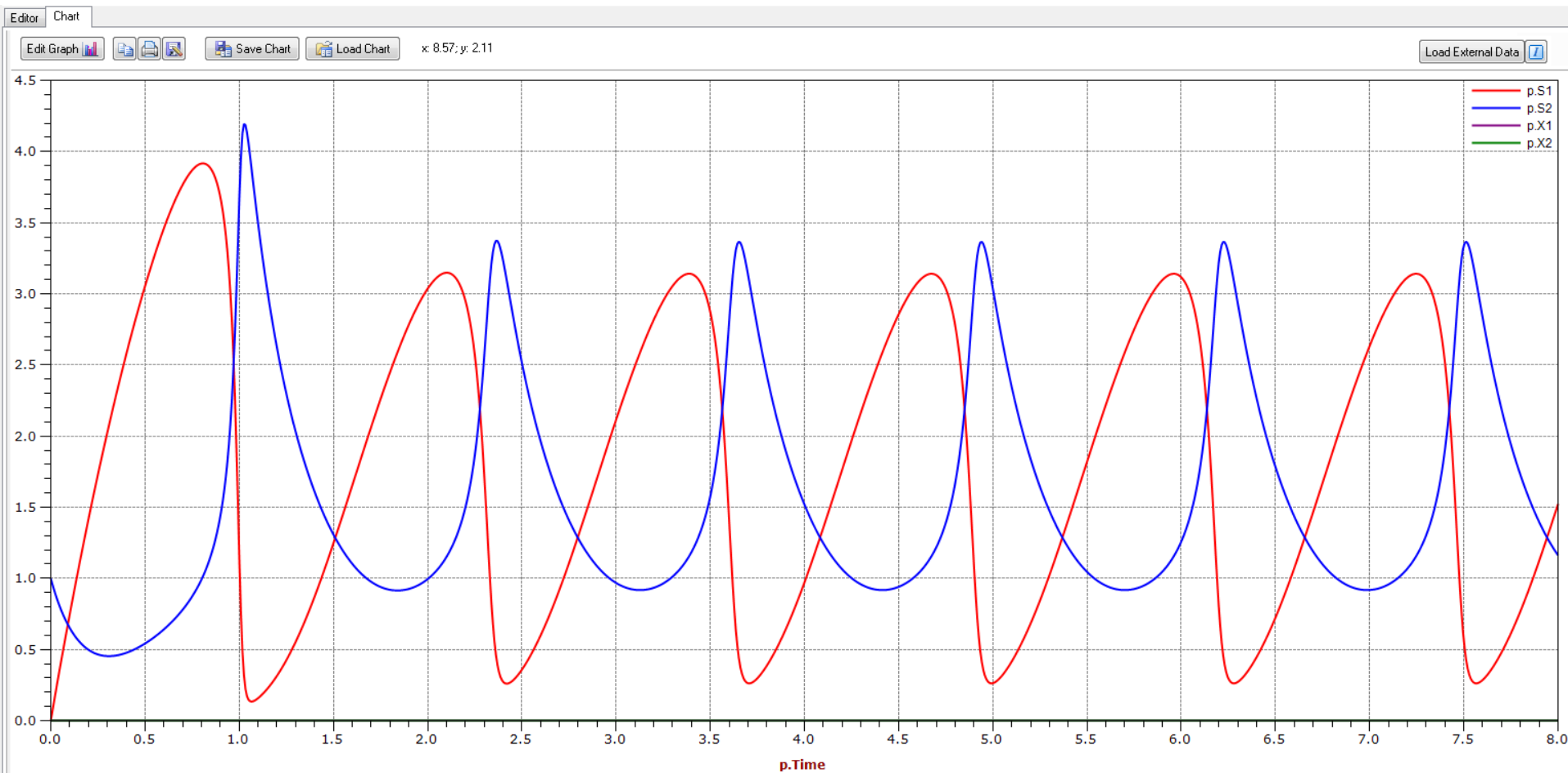
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- *Oscli.sbml:*



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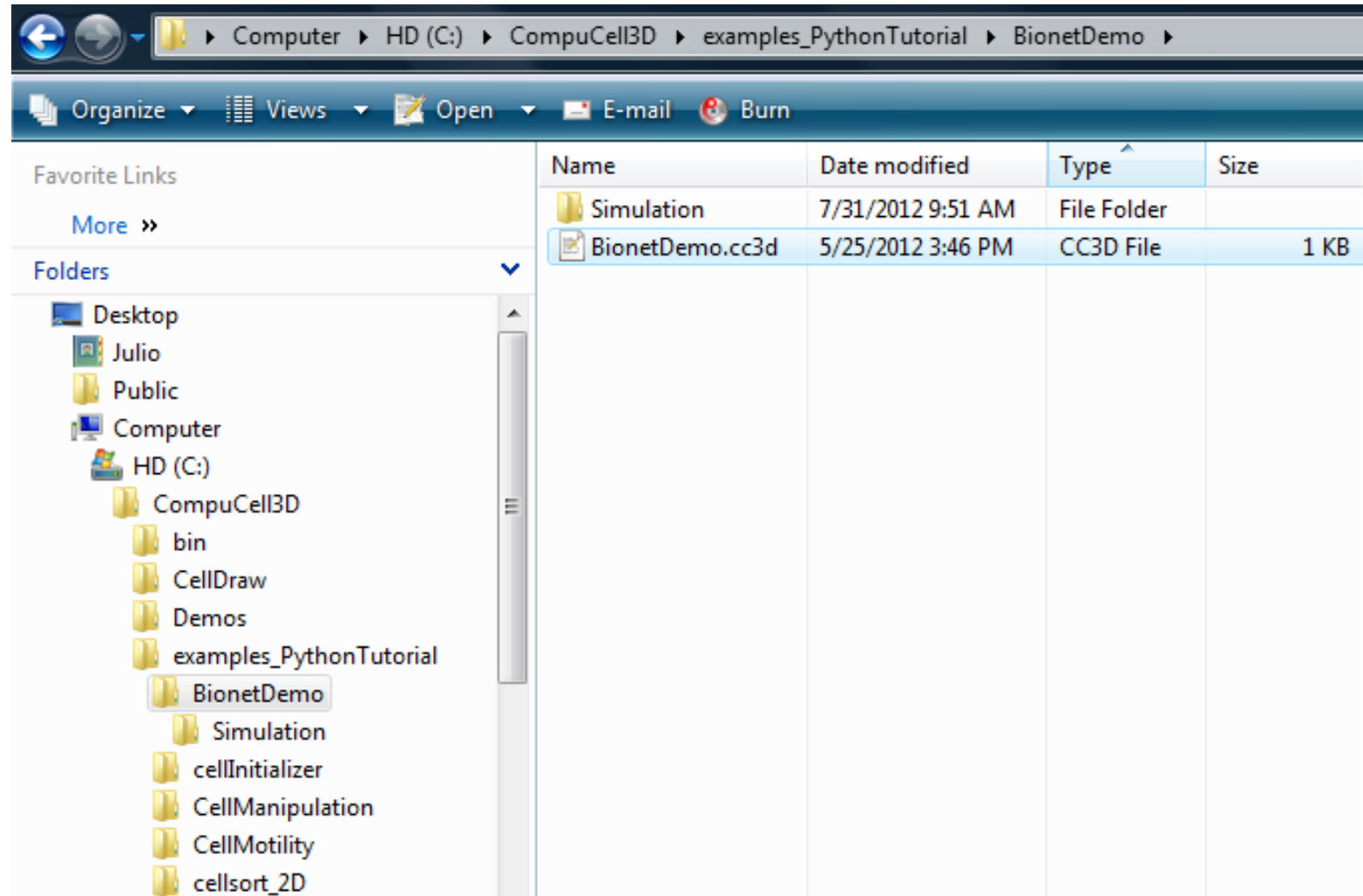
- Oscli.sbml:





# First Example

- On Twedit++, open the Project File BionetDemo:



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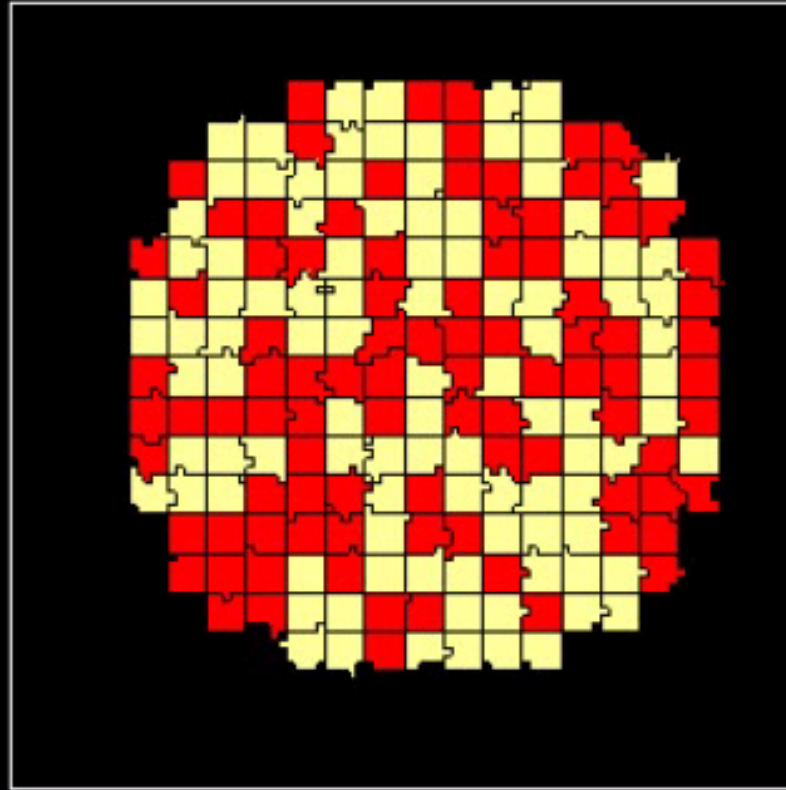
```
6 import bionetAPI
7
8 class BionetDemoSteppable(SteppableBasePy):
9     |
10    | def __init__(self, _simulator, _frequency=10):
11    |     SteppableBasePy.__init__(self, _simulator, _frequency)
12    |     bionetAPI.initializeBionetworkManager(self.simulator)
13    | def start(self):
14    |     |
15    |     | # iterating over all cells in simulation
16    |     | for cell in self.cellList:
17    |     |     | # you can access/manipulate cell properties here
18    |     |     | cell.targetVolume=25
19    |     |     | cell.lambdaVolume=2.0
20    |     |
21    |     | #bionet section
22    |     | modelName = "OSCLI"
23    |     | modelNickname = "OSC" # this is usually shorter version of model name
24    |     |
25    |     | fileDir=os.path.dirname(os.path.abspath(__file__))
26    |     |
27    |     | modelPath=os.path.join(fileDir, "oscli.sbml")
28    |     | print "Path=", modelPath
29    |     |
30    |     | integrationStep = 0.02
31    |     | bionetAPI.loadSBMLModel(modelName, modelPath, modelNickname, integrationStep)
32    |     |
33    |     | bionetAPI.addSBMLModelToTemplateLibrary("OSCLI", "NonCondensing")
34    |     |
35    |     | bionetAPI.initializeBionetworks()
36    |     |
37    |     |
38    |     | # iterating over all cells in simulation
39    |     | for cell in self.cellList:
40    |     |     | if cell.type==self.NONCONDENSING:
41    |     |     |     | bionetAPI.setBionetworkValue("OSC_S1", 0, cell.id)
42    |     |     |     | bionetAPI.setBionetworkValue("OSC_S2", 1, cell.id)
43    |     |     |
```

# First Example

- This is how we read concentration values:

```
47 | .....
48 | □ def step(self, mcs): .....
49 | | pass
50 | | #type here the code that will run every _frequency MCS
51 | □ for cell in self.cellList:
52 | □ | if cell.type==self.NONCONDENSING: .....
53 | | | concentration=bionetAPI.getBionetworkValue("S1", cell.id)
54 | | | # ..... print "concentration=", concentration
55 | | | cell.targetVolume=25+10*concentration
56 | | .....
57 | | bionetAPI.timestepBionetworks()
58 | | .....
59 | | .....
```

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# Exercises

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- 2
  - Replace SBML model with the one from  
Tuesday: Boris Kholodenko, [Eur J Biochem.](#) 2000 Mar;267(6):1583-8

# Second Example – Cell Cycle from web

- In our second example we will use a published model for the cell cycle.
- The website [www.sbml.org](http://www.sbml.org) contains a repository of published models in SBML format.
- If you wish to submit your own SBML to the repository, follow the instructions at:  
[www.ebi.ac.uk/biomodels-main/submit](http://www.ebi.ac.uk/biomodels-main/submit)

# Second Example – Cell Cycle Model

- On [www.sbml.org](http://www.sbml.org), click on the link “*BioModels Database*” and then on “*Curated models*”:



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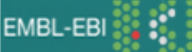
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# Second Example – Cell Cycle from web

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<a href="#">BIOMD0000000003</a>	Goldbeter1991_MinMitOscil	<a href="#">1833774</a>
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# Second Example – Cell Cycle from web

- To download the model click on “Download SBML” and select “SBML L2 V4 (curated)”

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**BIOMD0000000003 - Goldbeter1991\_MinMitOscil**

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<a href="#">SBML L2 V4 (curated)</a>						<b>Reference Publication</b>

**Publication ID:** [1833774](#)

Proc Natl Acad Sci U S A 1991 Oct;88(20):9107-11.  
A minimal cascade model for the mitotic oscillator involving cyclin and cdc2 kinase.  
Goldbeter A.  
Faculté des Sciences, Université Libre de Bruxelles, Belgium. [\[more\]](#)

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<b>Submitter:</b>	<a href="#">Nicolas Le Novère</a>	set #2 <a href="#">bqbiol:isVersionOf</a> <a href="#">KEGG Pathway hsa04110</a> <a href="#">Gene Ontology mitotic cell cycle</a>
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<b>Encoders:</b>	<a href="#">Bruce Shapiro</a> <a href="#">Vijayalakshmi Chelliah</a>	

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**Notes**

This a model from the article:

**A minimal cascade model for the mitotic oscillator involving cyclin and cdc2 kinase.**

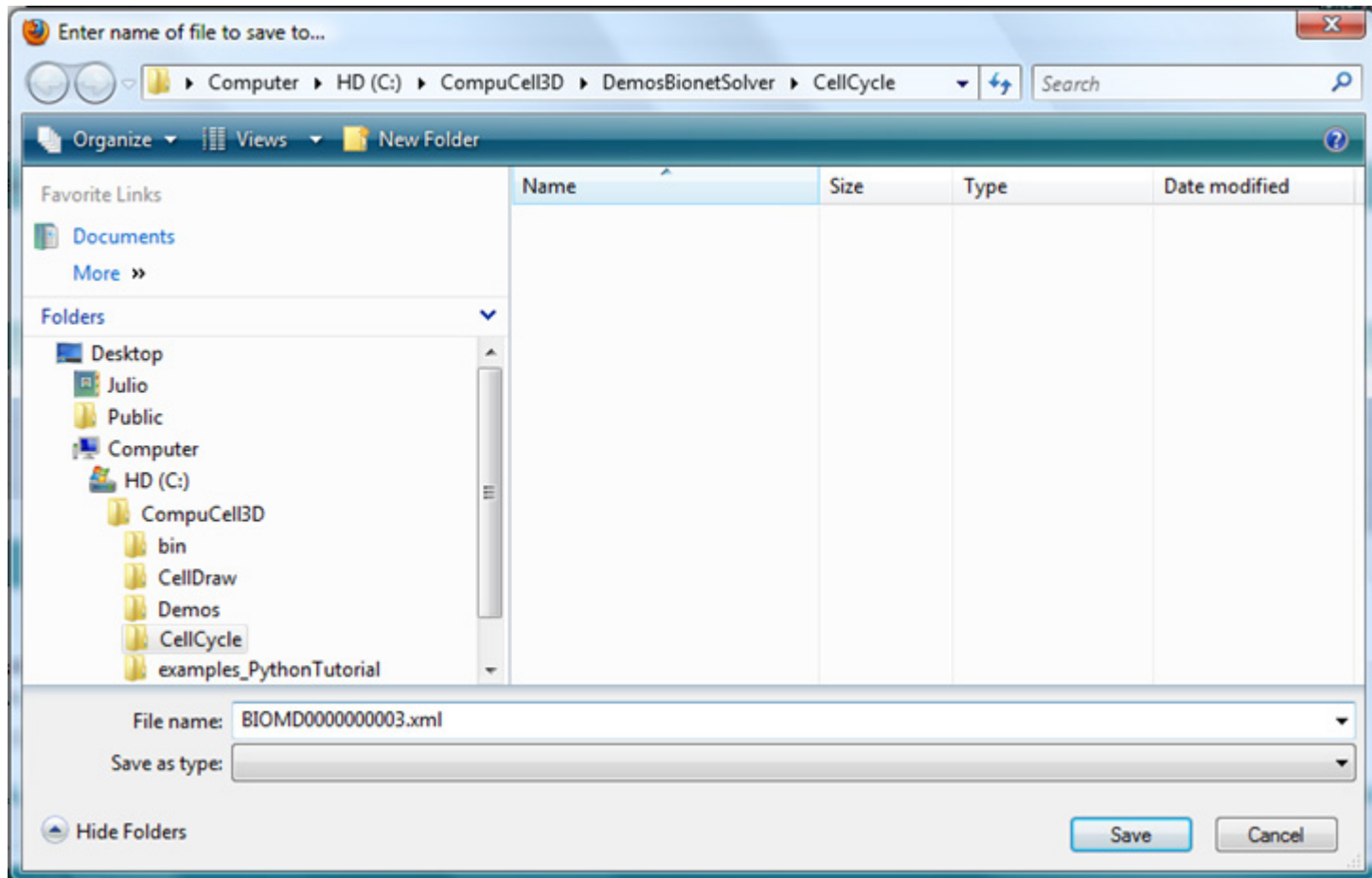
Goldbeter A *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. U.S.A.* 1991;88(20):9107-11 [1833774](#).

**Abstract:**

A minimal model for the mitotic oscillator is presented. The model, built on recent experimental advances, is based on the cascade of post-translational modification tha

# Second Example – Cell Cycle from web

- Save the file *BIOMD0000000003.xml* anywhere in your computer, later we will transfer it to the appropriate directory.



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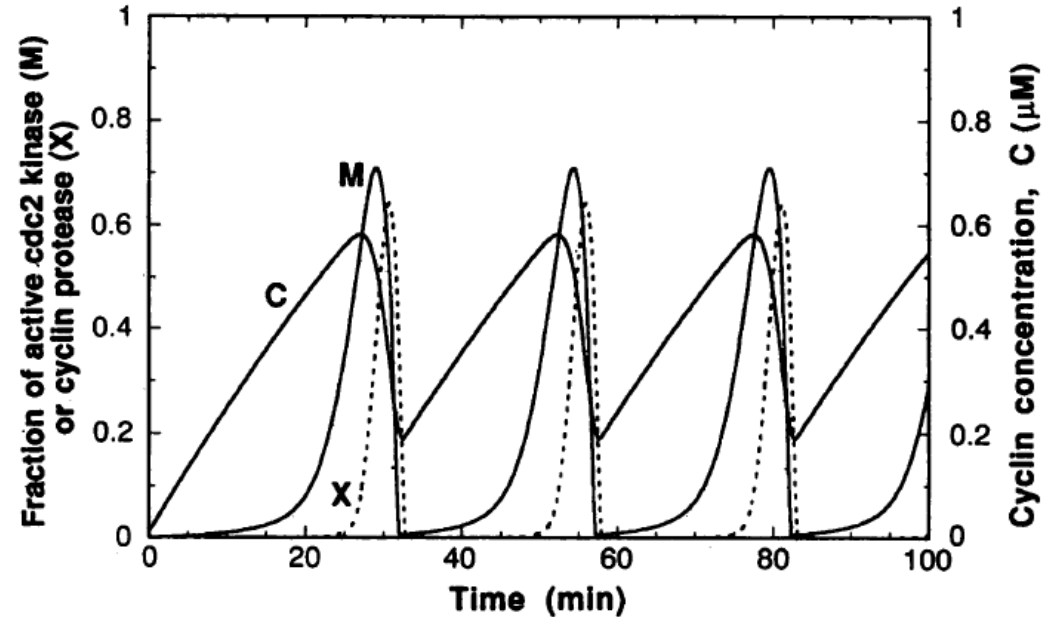
- This model is composed of 3 ODEs that forms an oscillating system:

$$\frac{dC}{dt} = v_i - v_d X \frac{C}{K_d + C} - k_d C,$$

$$\frac{dM}{dt} = V_1 \frac{(1 - M)}{K_1 + (1 - M)} - V_2 \frac{M}{K_2 + M},$$

$$\frac{dX}{dt} = V_3 \frac{(1 - X)}{K_3 + (1 - X)} - V_4 \frac{X}{K_4 + X}$$

$$V_1 = \frac{C}{K_c + C} V_{M1}, \quad V_3 = M V_{M3}.$$



- C : cyclin concentration
- M : fraction of active cdc2 kinase
- X : fraction of active cyclin protease

# Second Example – Cell Cycle from web

- Using Tweddit++ Wizard, create a new simulation:

Simulation Wizard

## CompuCell3D Simulation Wizard

Simulation Name:

Simulation Directory:

Simulation Type

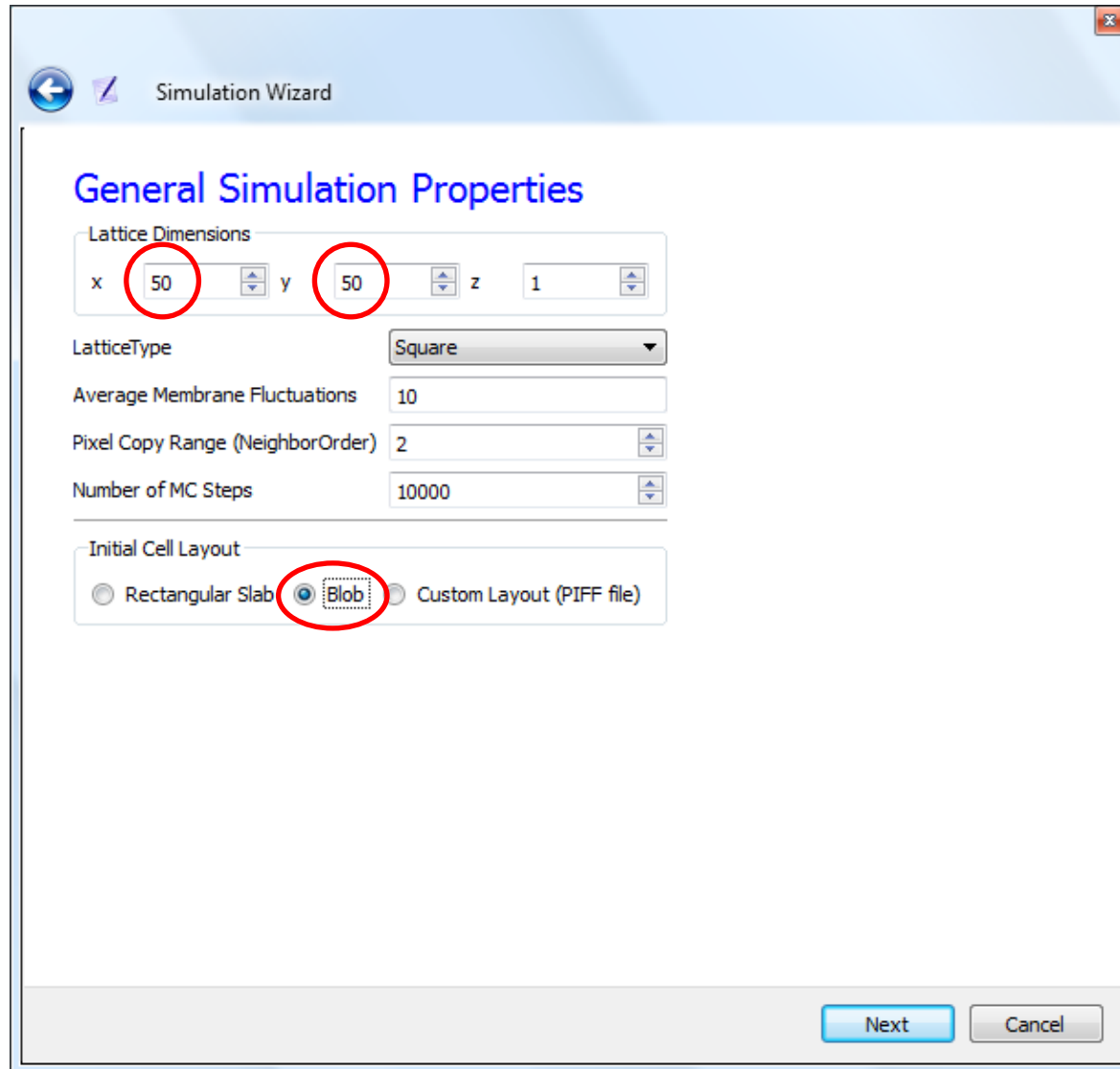
XML only

Python+XML

Python only

# Second Example – Cell Cycle from web

- Make the cell lattice 50x50 and the initial layout a blob:



The image shows a screenshot of the "Simulation Wizard" dialog box. The title bar reads "Simulation Wizard". The main section is titled "General Simulation Properties". Under "Lattice Dimensions", the x and y dimensions are set to 50, and the z dimension is set to 1. The "LatticeType" is set to "Square". "Average Membrane Fluctuations" is 10, "Pixel Copy Range (NeighborOrder)" is 2, and "Number of MC Steps" is 10000. Under "Initial Cell Layout", the "Blob" option is selected. The "Next" and "Cancel" buttons are at the bottom right.

Simulation Wizard

### General Simulation Properties

Lattice Dimensions

x: 50 y: 50 z: 1

LatticeType: Square

Average Membrane Fluctuations: 10

Pixel Copy Range (NeighborOrder): 2

Number of MC Steps: 10000

Initial Cell Layout

Rectangular Slab  Blob  Custom Layout (PIFF file)

Next Cancel

# Second Example – Cell Cycle from web

- Add cell type “Condensing”:

The screenshot shows a dialog box titled "Simulation Wizard" with a "Cell Type Specification" section. It contains a table with two columns: "Cell Type" and "Freeze". The table has one row with "1 Medium" and an unchecked "Freeze" checkbox. Below the table is a "Clear Table" button. At the bottom, there is a "Cell Type" input field containing "Condensing", an unchecked "Freeze" checkbox, and an "Add" button. The "Add" button and the "Condensing" text in the input field are circled in red. At the very bottom are "Next" and "Cancel" buttons.

	Cell Type	Freeze
1	Medium	<input type="checkbox"/>

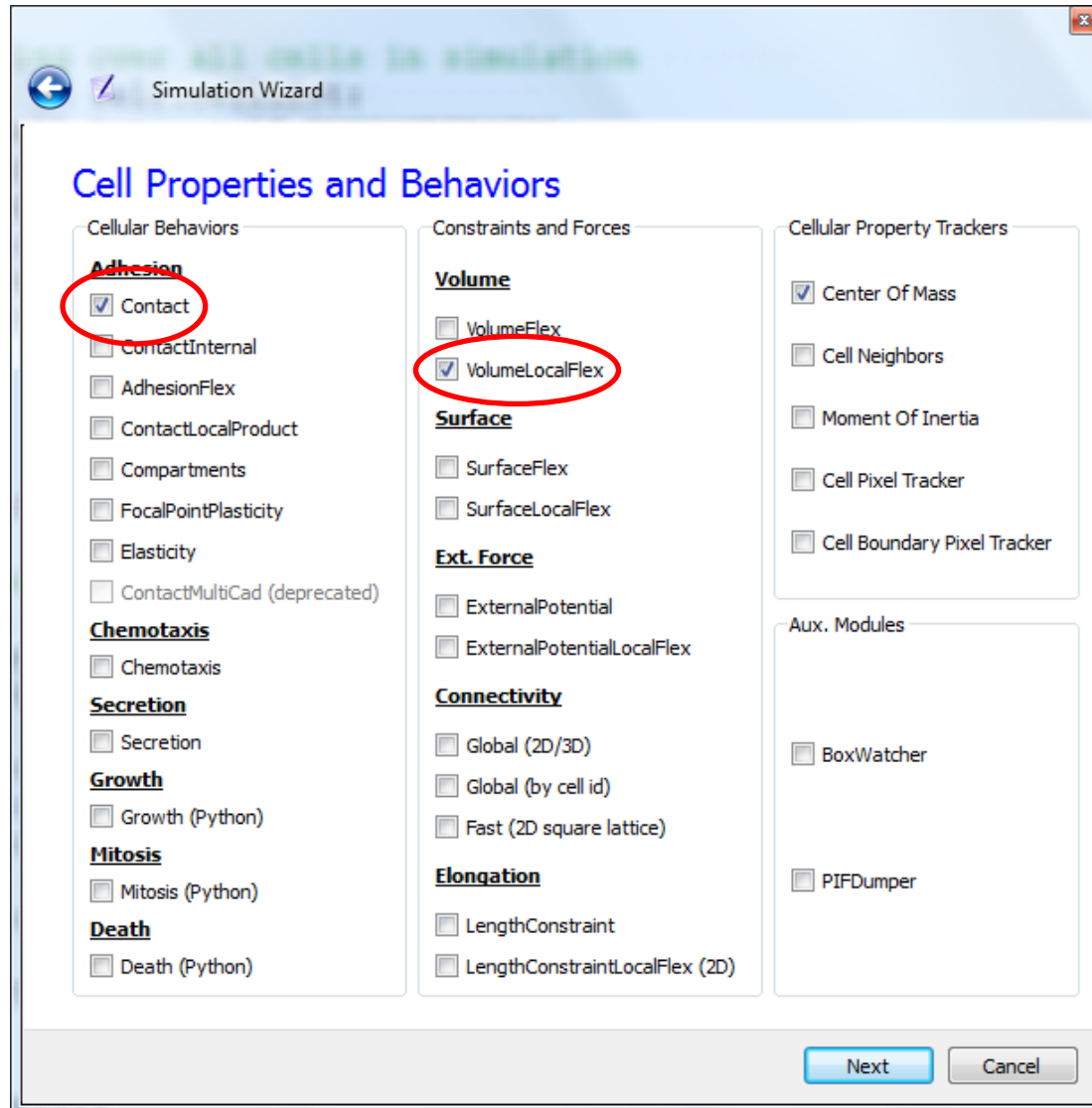
Clear Table

Cell Type:   Freeze

Next Cancel

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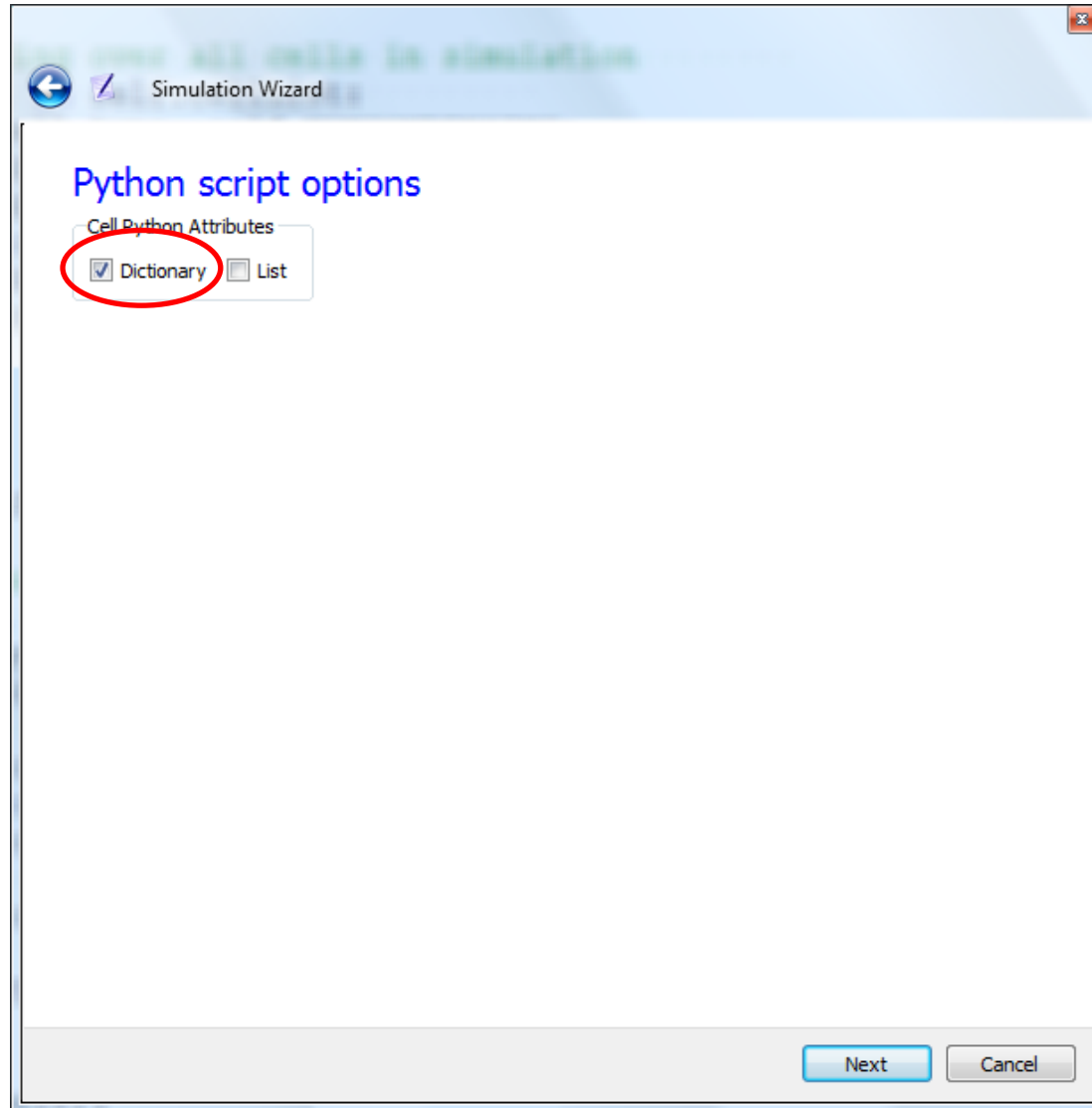
- Select Contact and VolumeLocalFlex





# Second Example – Cell Cycle from web

- Add a dictionary to the cells



# Second Example – Cell Cycle from web

- For the simulation to run faster, change the BlobInitializer so that the simulation only has 1 cell:
- If you are using “Python only” option:

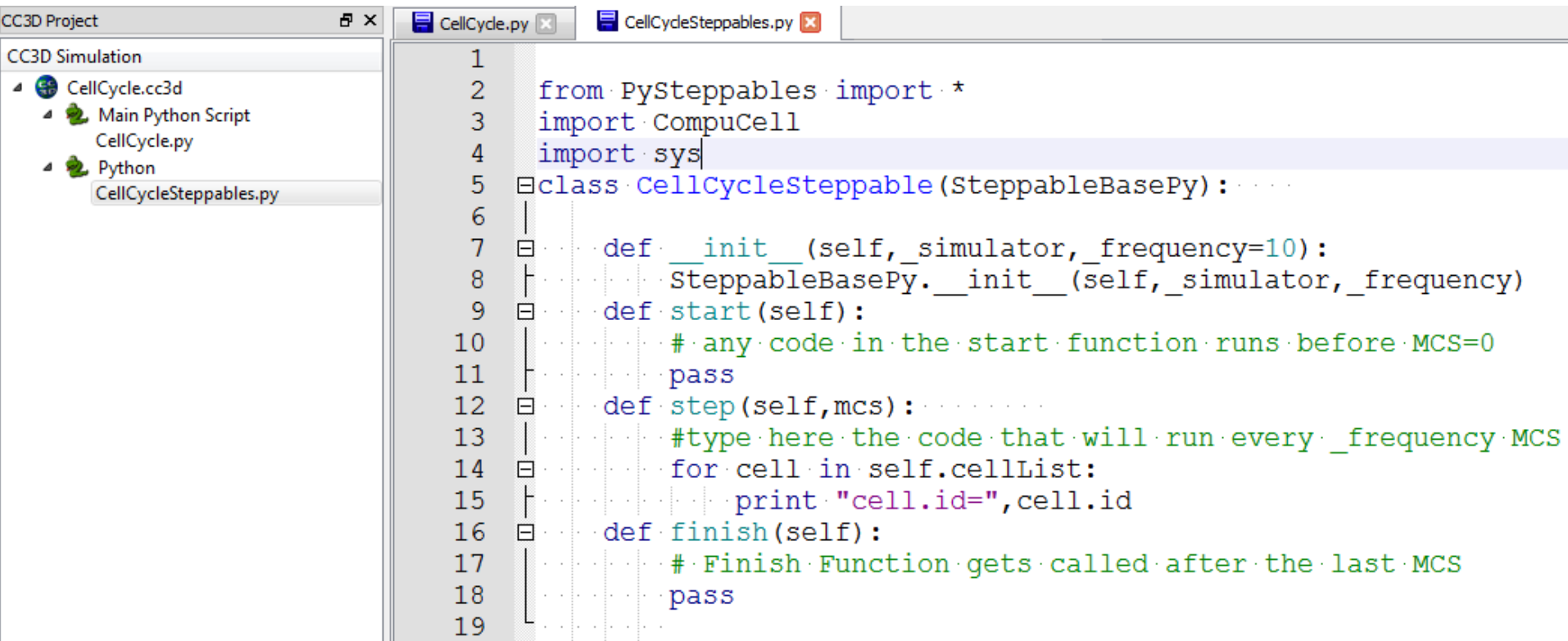
```
36 ... SteppableElmnt_1=CompuCell3DElmnt.ElementCC3D("Steppable",{ "Type":"BlobInitializer"})
37 ...
38 ... RegionElmnt=SteppableElmnt_1.ElementCC3D("Region")
39 ... RegionElmnt.ElementCC3D("Center",{"x":"25","y":"25","z":"0"})
40 ... RegionElmnt.ElementCC3D("Radius",{"","3"})
41 ... RegionElmnt.ElementCC3D("Gap",{"","0"})
42 ... RegionElmnt.ElementCC3D("Width",{"","5"})
43 ... RegionElmnt.ElementCC3D("Types",{"","Condensing")
```

- If you are using XML:

```
36 <Steppable Type="BlobInitializer">
37   <Region>
38     <Center x="25" y="25" z="0"/>
39     <Radius>3</Radius>
40     <Gap>0</Gap>
41     <Width>5</Width>
42     <Types>ccc</Types>
43   </Region>
44 </Steppable>
```

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- Your Steppable file (*CellCycleSteppables.py*) will look like that:



```
1
2 from PySteppables import *
3 import CompuCell
4 import sys
5 class CellCycleSteppable(SteppableBasePy):
6
7     def __init__(self, _simulator, _frequency=10):
8         SteppableBasePy.__init__(self, _simulator, _frequency)
9     def start(self):
10        # any code in the start function runs before MCS=0
11        pass
12    def step(self, mcs):
13        #type here the code that will run every _frequency MCS
14        for cell in self.cellList:
15            print "cell.id=", cell.id
16    def finish(self):
17        # Finish Function gets called after the last MCS
18        pass
19
```

# Second Example – Cell Cycle from web

- Initialize the cell volume constraints:

```
1
2 from PySteppables import *
3 import CompuCell
4 import sys
5
6 class CellCycleSteppable(SteppableBasePy):
7     def __init__(self, _simulator, _frequency):
8         SteppableBasePy.__init__(self, _simulator, _frequency)
9
10    def start(self):
11        for cell in self.cellList: #setting initial cell volumes
12            cell.targetVolume=25
13            cell.lambdaVolume=5
14
15    def step(self, mcs):
16        #type here the code that will run every _frequency MCS
17        for cell in self.cellList:
18            print "cell.id=", cell.id
19
```

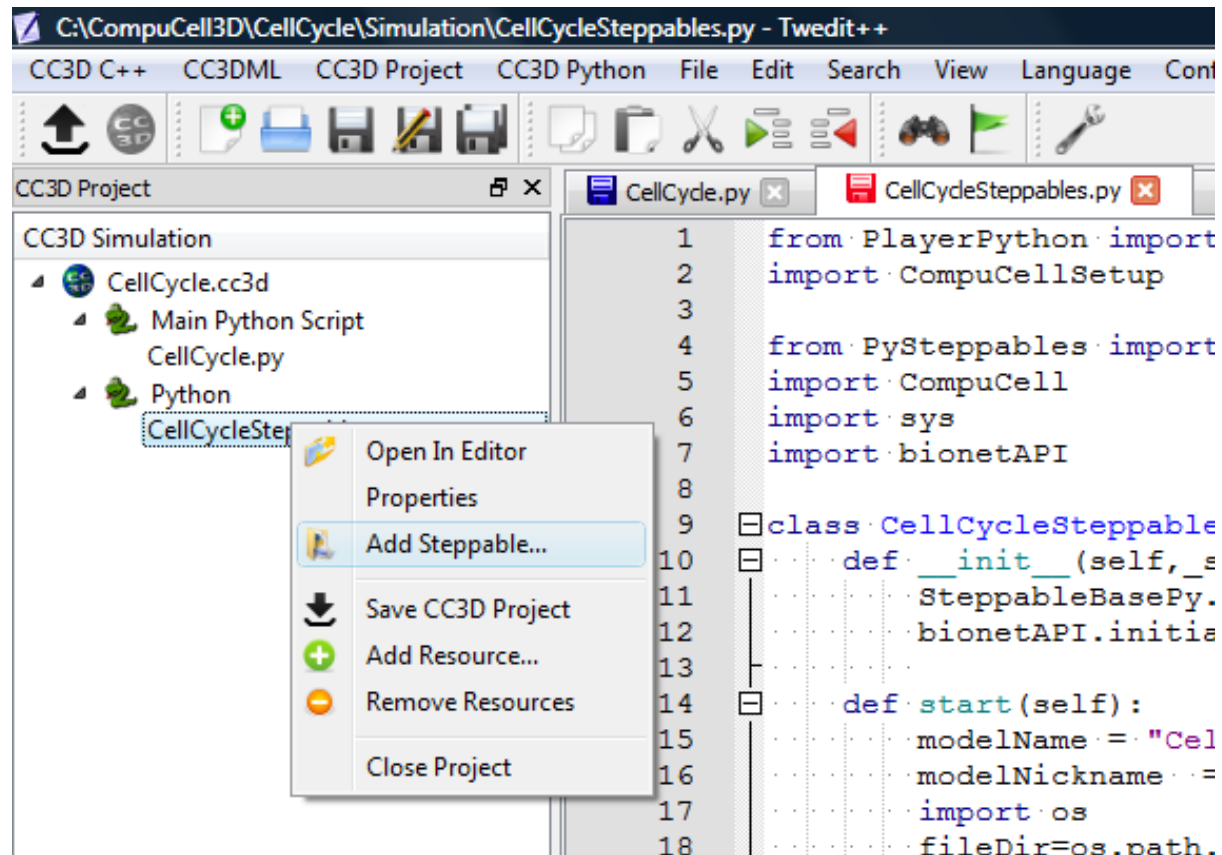
# Second Example – Cell Cycle from web

- Now fill in the BionetSolver commands:

```
4 from PySteppables import *
5 import CompuCell
6 import sys
7 import bionetAPI 1
8
9 class CellCycleSteppable(SteppableBasePy):
10     def __init__(self, _simulator, _frequency):
11         SteppableBasePy.__init__(self, _simulator, _frequency)
12         2 bionetAPI.initializeBionetworkManager(self.simulator)
13
14     def start(self):
15         for cell in self.cellList: #setting initial cell volumes
16             cell.targetVolume=25
17             cell.lambdaVolume=5
18
19         {
20             modelName = "CellCycle"
21             modelName = "CC"
22             import os
23             fileDir=os.path.dirname(os.path.abspath(__file__)) } Python utilities
24             modelPath = fileDir+"\BIOMD0000000003.xml"
25             integrationStep = 0.2
26             bionetAPI.loadSBMLModel(modelName, modelPath, modelName, integrationStep)
27
28             4 bionetAPI.addSBMLModelToTemplateLibrary(modelName, "Condensing")
29
30             5 bionetAPI.initializeBionetworks()
31
32         }
33     def step(self, mcs):
34         bionetAPI.timestepBionetworks() # iterating the SBML model
```

# Second Example – Cell Cycle from web

- Right now the simulation should work, the cells are running the SBML model, but we can't see anything.
- Let's create a visualization field for the fraction of Cdc2 kinase:



# Second Example – Cell Cycle from web

- Create a visualization field for the fraction of Cdc2 kinase.

Generate Steppable

**Steppable Will be registered in :**

C:\CompuCell3D\CellCycle\Simulation\CellCycle.py

SteppableName: VisualizationField

Call Frequency: 2

Steppable Type:

Generic  Mitosis  Cluster Mitosis  Run Before MCS (secretion)

Extra Visualization Fields:

Vector  Scalar  Scalar Cell Level  Vector Cell Level

OK Cancel

# Second Example – Cell Cycle from web

- On the main Python file (*CellCycle.py*) make all frequencies equal to 1:

```
70 #Add Python steppables here
71 steppableRegistry=CompuCellSetup.getSteppableRegistry()
72 .....
73 from CellCycleSteppables import CellCycleSteppable
74 steppableInstance=CellCycleSteppable(sim, _frequency=1)
75 steppableRegistry.registerSteppable(steppableInstance)
76
77 from CellCycleSteppables import VisualizationField
78 instanceOfVisualizationField=VisualizationField(_simulator=sim, _frequency=1)
79 steppableRegistry.registerSteppable(instanceOfVisualizationField)
80
```



# Second Example – Cell Cycle from web

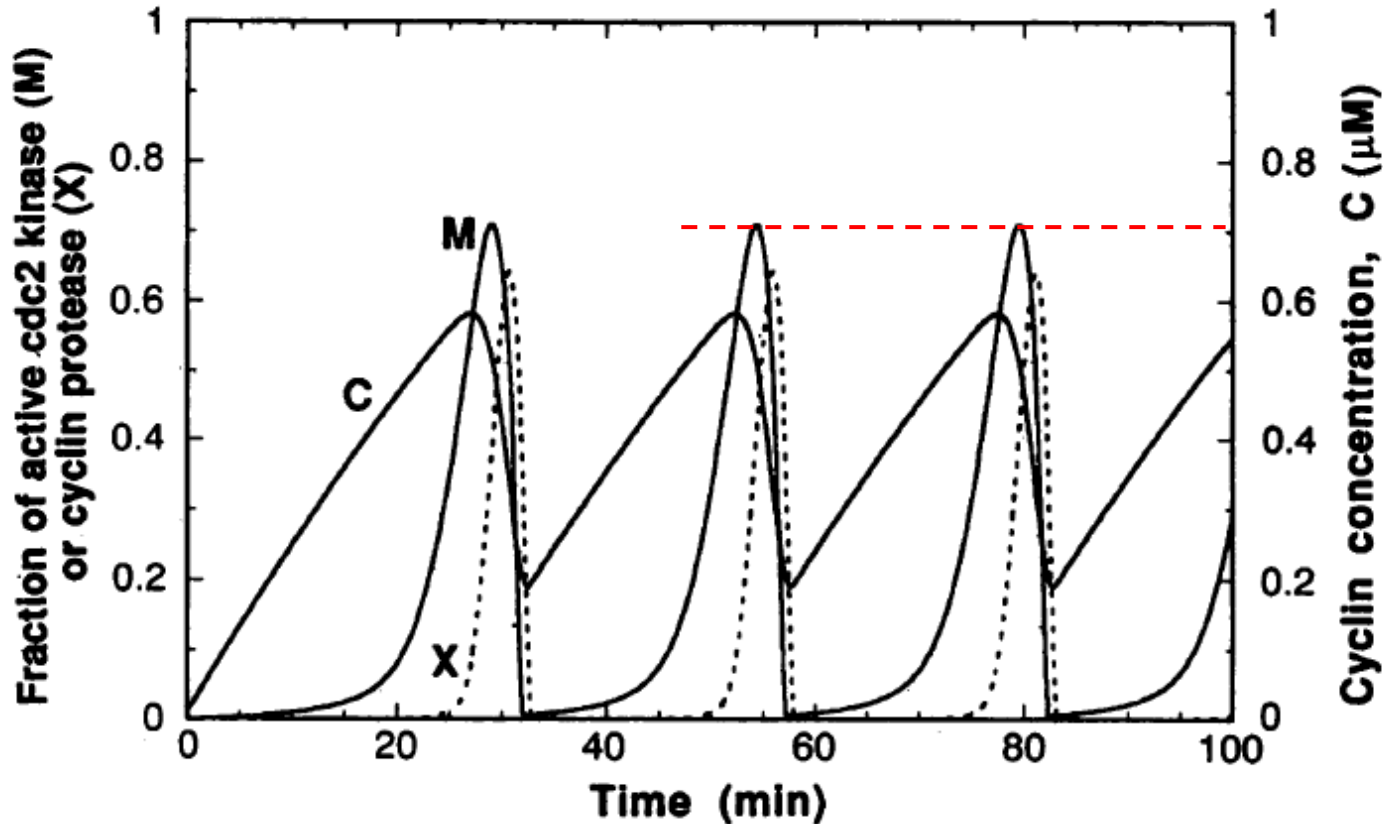
- On the Steppable file (*CellCycleSteppables.py*) modify/add the following lines:

```
41
42 class VisualizationField(SteppableBasePy):
43     def __init__(self, _simulator, _frequency):
44         SteppableBasePy.__init__(self, _simulator, _frequency)
45         self.scalarCLField=CompuCellSetup.createScalarFieldCellLevelPy("M")
46
47     def step(self, mcs):
48         clearScalarValueCellLevel(self.scalarCLField)
49         for cell in self.cellList:
50             M=bionetAPI.getBionetworkValue("CC M", cell.id)
51             fillScalarValueCellLevel(self.scalarCLField, cell, M)
52
```

- The first underlined command creates a field called “M”
- The second clears the field every MCS
- The third stores the current value of the M variable
- The last fills the current cell with the stored value

# Second Example – Cell Cycle from web

- Mitosis occur when fraction of active Cdc2 kinase (M) reaches 0.7.



- To model this we need to track the concentration of M in each cell and check when it passes the 0.7 mark.

# Second Example – Cell Cycle from web

- Add a Steppable to divide cells based on the fraction of Cdc2 kinase:

Generate Steppable

**Steppable Will be registered in :**

C:\CompuCell3D\CellCycle\Simulation\CellCycle.py

SteppableName

Call Frequency

Steppable Type

Generic  Mitosis  Cluster Mitosis  Run Before MCS (secretion)

Extra Visualization Fields

Vector  Scalar  Scalar Cell Level  Vector Cell Level

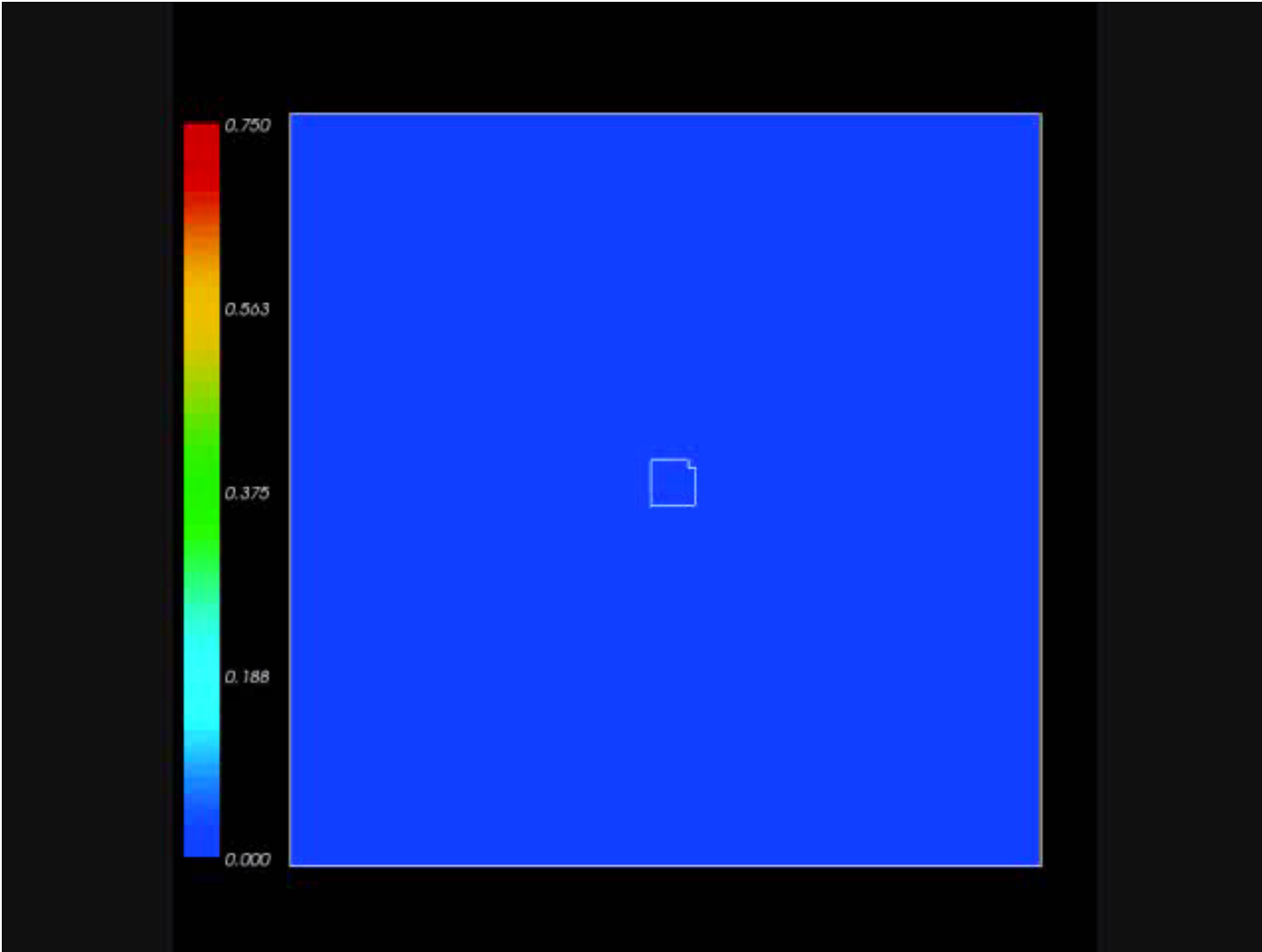
# Second Example – Cell Cycle from web

- Go to the Steppable and add the following lines:

```
58 class Mitosis(MitosisSteppableBase):
59     def __init__(self, simulator, _frequency=1):
60         MitosisSteppableBase.__init__(self, simulator, _frequency)
61
62     def start(self):
63         for cell in self.cellList:
64             dict_attrib=CompuCell.getPyAttrib(cell)
65             dict_attrib["M"]=bionetAPI.getBionetworkValue("CC_M",cell.id)
66
67     def step(self,mcs):
68         cells_to_divide=[]
69         for cell in self.cellList:
70             dict_attrib=CompuCell.getPyAttrib(cell)
71             M=bionetAPI.getBionetworkValue("CC_M",cell.id)
72             if (M>0.7 and dict_attrib["M"]<0.7):
73                 cells_to_divide.append(cell)
74             dict_attrib["M"]=M
75         for cell in cells_to_divide:
76             self.divideCellRandomOrientation(cell)
77
78     def updateAttributes(self):
79         parentCell=self.mitosisSteppable.parentCell
80         childCell=self.mitosisSteppable.childCell
81         childCell.targetVolume=parentCell.targetVolume
82         childCell.lambdaVolume=parentCell.lambdaVolume
83
84         childCell.type=parentCell.type
85         bionetAPI.copyBionetworkFromParent(parentCell,childCell)
86         dict_attrib_Child=CompuCell.getPyAttrib(childCell)
87         dict_attrib_Parent=CompuCell.getPyAttrib(parentCell)
88         dict_attrib_Child["M"]=dict_attrib_Parent["M"]
```

# Second Example – Cell Cycle from web

- Open the model in CC3D, set the maximum concentration of the “M” field to 0.75, and run the simulation:



# Exercises

- 1
  - Change the Volume plugin so that cells slowly grow back to the original target Volume after mitosis
- 2
  - Add a second cell type (NonCondensing) with half of the cycle time

# Third Example – Tyson's Cell Cycle

- In the last example all cells divide in synchrony.
- The reason for this is the absence of any flow of information from the cell level to the subcellular level.
- A more realistic model, where the cells do not maintain their cell cycle's phase, is the one proposed by Tyson and Novak.

# Third Example – Tyson's Cell Cycle

- This model has 5 variables, from which only the first 2 forms the core of the cell cycle oscillations:

$$\frac{d[\text{CycB}]}{dt} = k_1 - (k'_2 + k''_2 [\text{Cdh1}]) [\text{CycB}],$$

$$\frac{d[\text{Cdh1}]}{dt} = \frac{(k'_3 + k''_3 A)(1 - [\text{Cdh1}])}{J_3 + 1 - [\text{Cdh1}]} - \frac{k_4 m [\text{CycB}] [\text{Cdh1}]}{J_4 + [\text{Cdh1}]},$$

$$\frac{d[\text{Cdc20}_T]}{dt} = k'_5 + k''_5 \frac{([\text{CycB}] m / J_5)^n}{1 + ([\text{CycB}] m / J_5)^n} - k_6 [\text{Cdc20}_T],$$

$$\frac{d[\text{Cdc20}_A]}{dt} = \frac{k_7 [\text{IEP}]([\text{Cdc20}_T] - [\text{Cdc20}_A])}{J_7 + [\text{Cdc20}_T] - [\text{Cdc20}_A]} - \frac{k_8 [\text{Mad}] \cdot [\text{Cdc20}_A]}{J_8 + [\text{Cdc20}_A]} - k_6 [\text{Cdc20}_A],$$

$$\frac{d[\text{IEP}]}{dt} = k_9 m [\text{CycB}] (1 - [\text{IEP}]) - k_{10} [\text{IEP}].$$



# Third Example – Tyson's Cell Cycle

- The crucial difference from the previous model lies in the presence of the parameter “m”, which is the normalized total mass of the cell:

$$\frac{d[\text{CycB}]}{dt} = k_1 - (k'_2 + k''_2 [\text{Cdh1}]) [\text{CycB}],$$

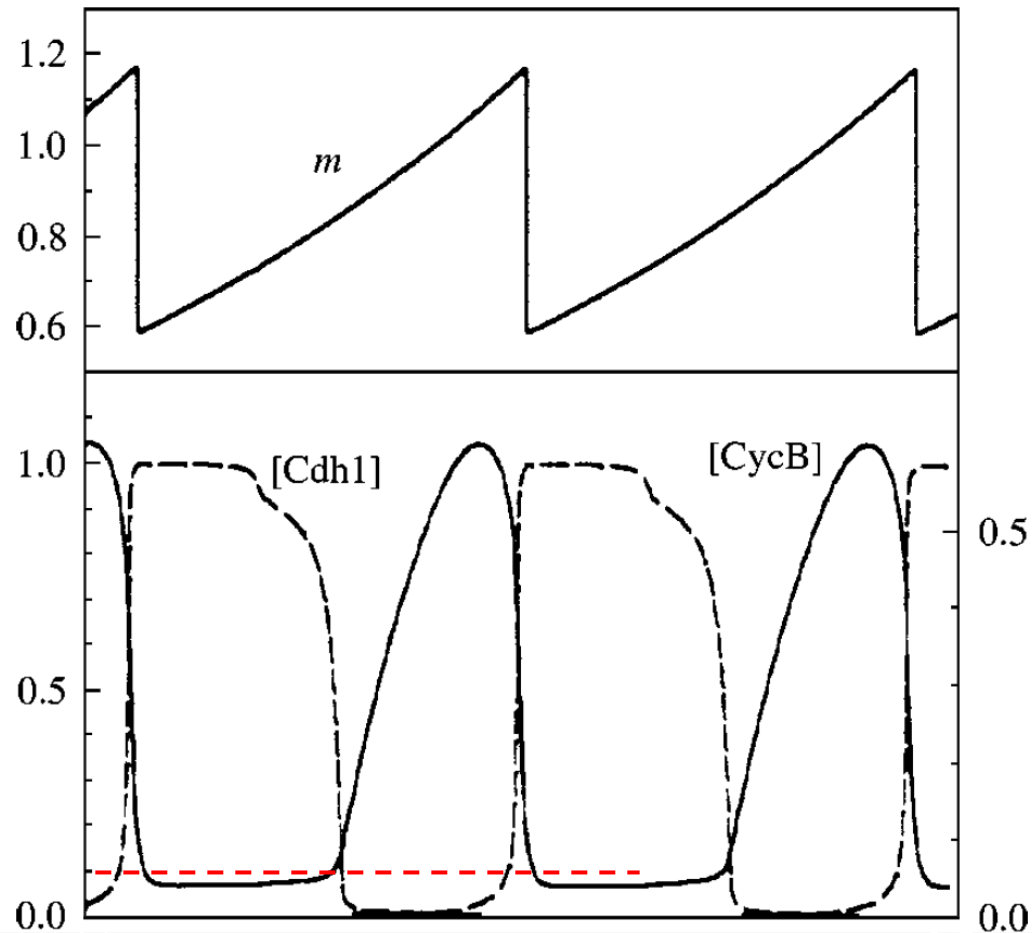
$$\frac{d[\text{Cdh1}]}{dt} = \frac{(k'_3 + k''_3 A)(1 - [\text{Cdh1}])}{J_3 + 1 - [\text{Cdh1}]} - \frac{k_4 m [\text{CycB}] [\text{Cdh1}]}{J_4 + [\text{Cdh1}]},$$

- This parameter varies between  $\sim 0.5$  (right after mitosis) and  $\sim 1$  (at normal size) and corresponds in CC3D to the ratio of volume to the resting volume (initial volume):

$$V_\sigma / V_0$$

# Third Example – Tyson's Cell Cycle

- This time mitosis occur when the level of CycB drops below 0.1

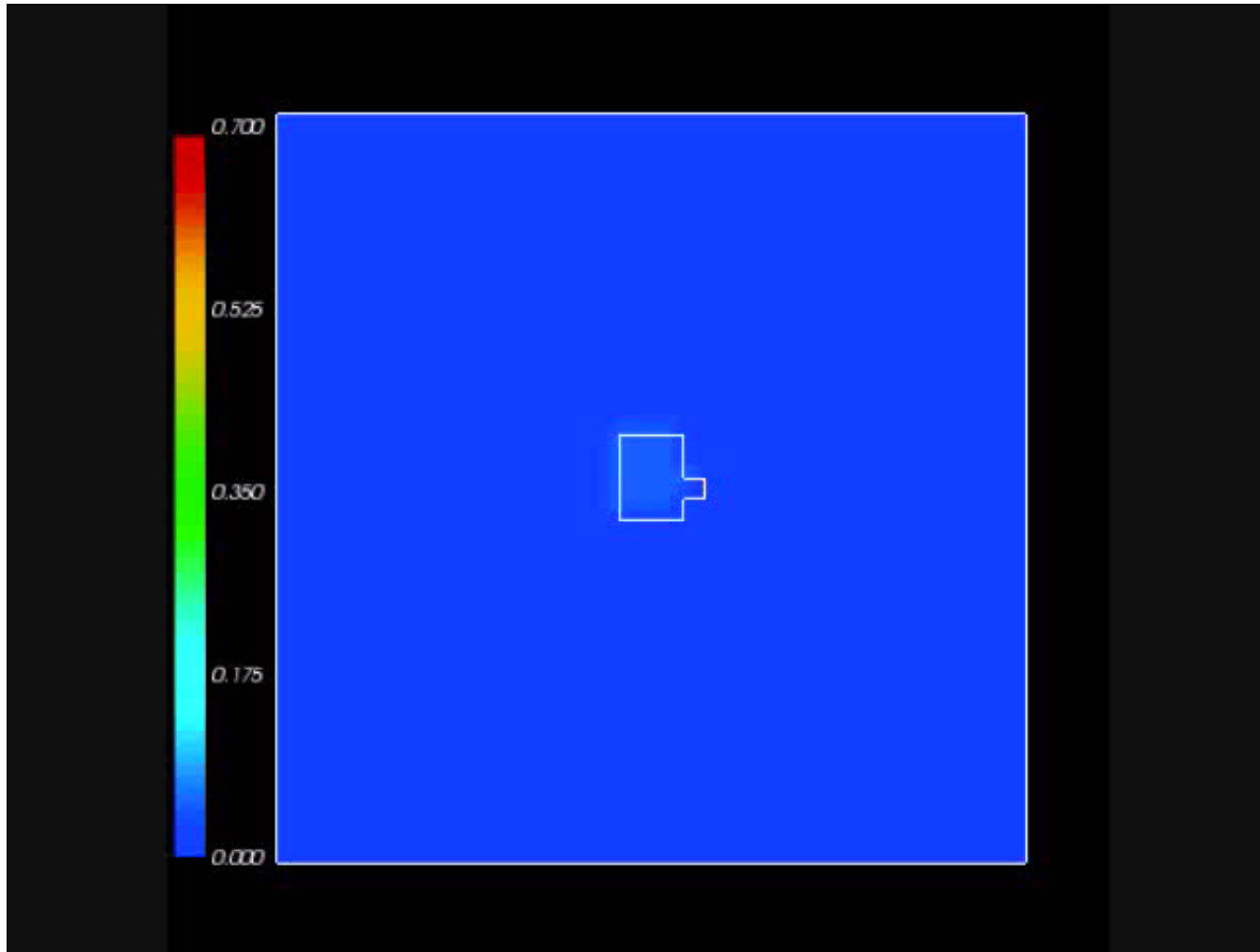


# Exercises

- 1
  - Download the paper by Tyson and Novak
  - Code the first two ODEs in Jarnac and generate the SBML
- 2
  - Using the code from the second example as a template, create a model that uses Tyson's cell cycle

# Third Example – Tyson's Cell Cycle

- When we run this model we can see that due to the fluctuations in cell volume the divisions get out of sync:

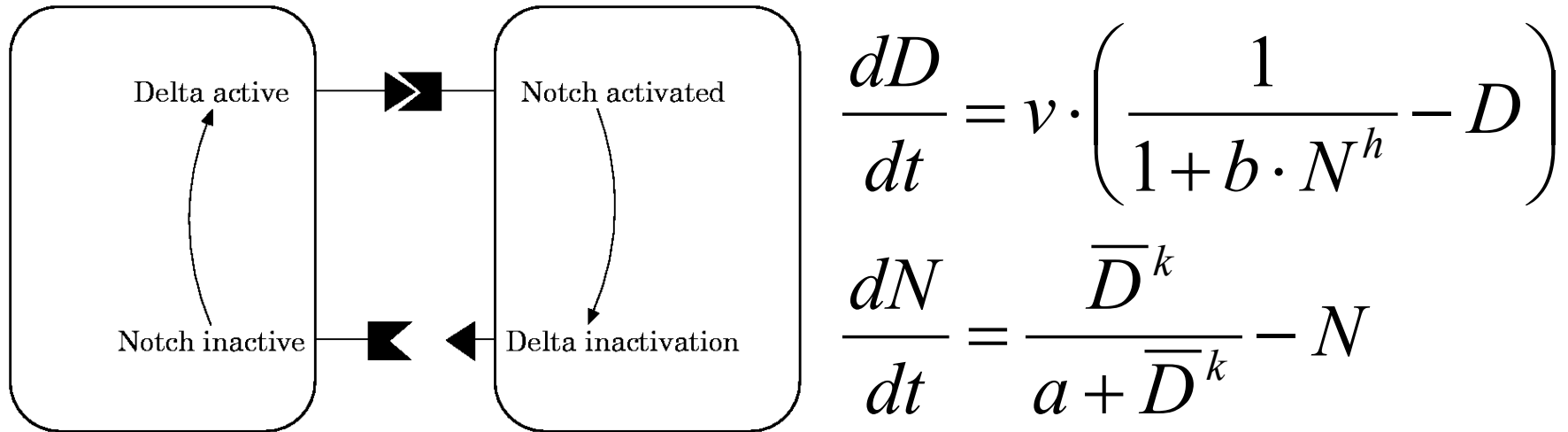


# Fourth Example – Delta-Notch Patterning

- The third example (Tyson's cell cycle model) illustrated how changes at the single cell level can affect the subcellular level (and in turn affect the cell behavior by initiating mitosis).
- This last example will show how conditions external to the cell (the neighboring cells' Delta) can affect the cell internal state (its Notch levels).

# Fourth Example – Delta-Notch Patterning

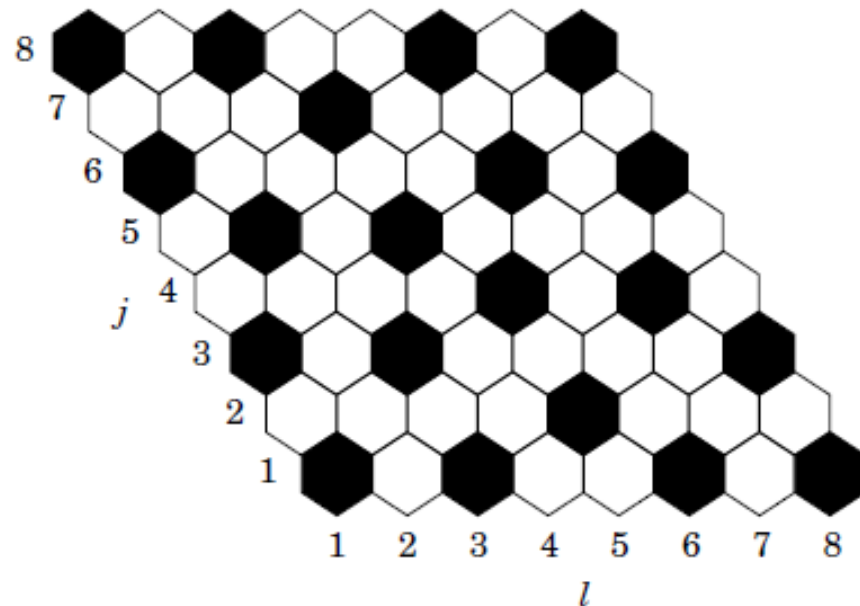
- We will use the model published by Collier *et al.* in 1996:



- $N$  : Notch
- $D$  : Delta
- $\bar{D}$ : average Delta from neighbors

# Fourth Example – Delta-Notch Patterning

- In this model, when a cell receives high levels of Delta from neighbors its Notch level becomes downregulated.
- This leads to the high/low Notch patterning shown by their simulations on an hexagonal lattice:



# Fourth Example – Delta-Notch Patterning

- In CC3D we first loop over all cells' neighbors and store their Delta:

```
38 def step(self, mcs):
39     for cell in self.cellList:
40         D=0.0; nn=0 ←
41         cellNeighborList=self.getCellNeighbors(cell)
42         for neighbor in cellNeighborList:
43             if (neighbor.neighborAddress):
44                 nn+=1 ←
45                 D+=bionetAPI.getBionetworkValue("DN_D",neighbor.neighborAddress.id) ←
46         if (nn>0):
47             D=D/nn ←
48         bionetAPI.setBionetworkValue("DN_Davg",D,cell.id) ←
49         cellDict=CompuCell.getPyAttrib(cell)
50         cellDict["D"]=D
51         cellDict["N"]=bionetAPI.getBionetworkValue("DN_N",cell.id)
52     bionetAPI.timestepBionetworks()
```

- Then we average it and use it as the new  $\bar{D}$  parameter of that cell:

- File:

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# Fourth Example – Delta-Notch Patterning

- As an initial condition all cells start with random values of Delta and Notch around 0.9.
- To implement this we use the Python random function as shown below:

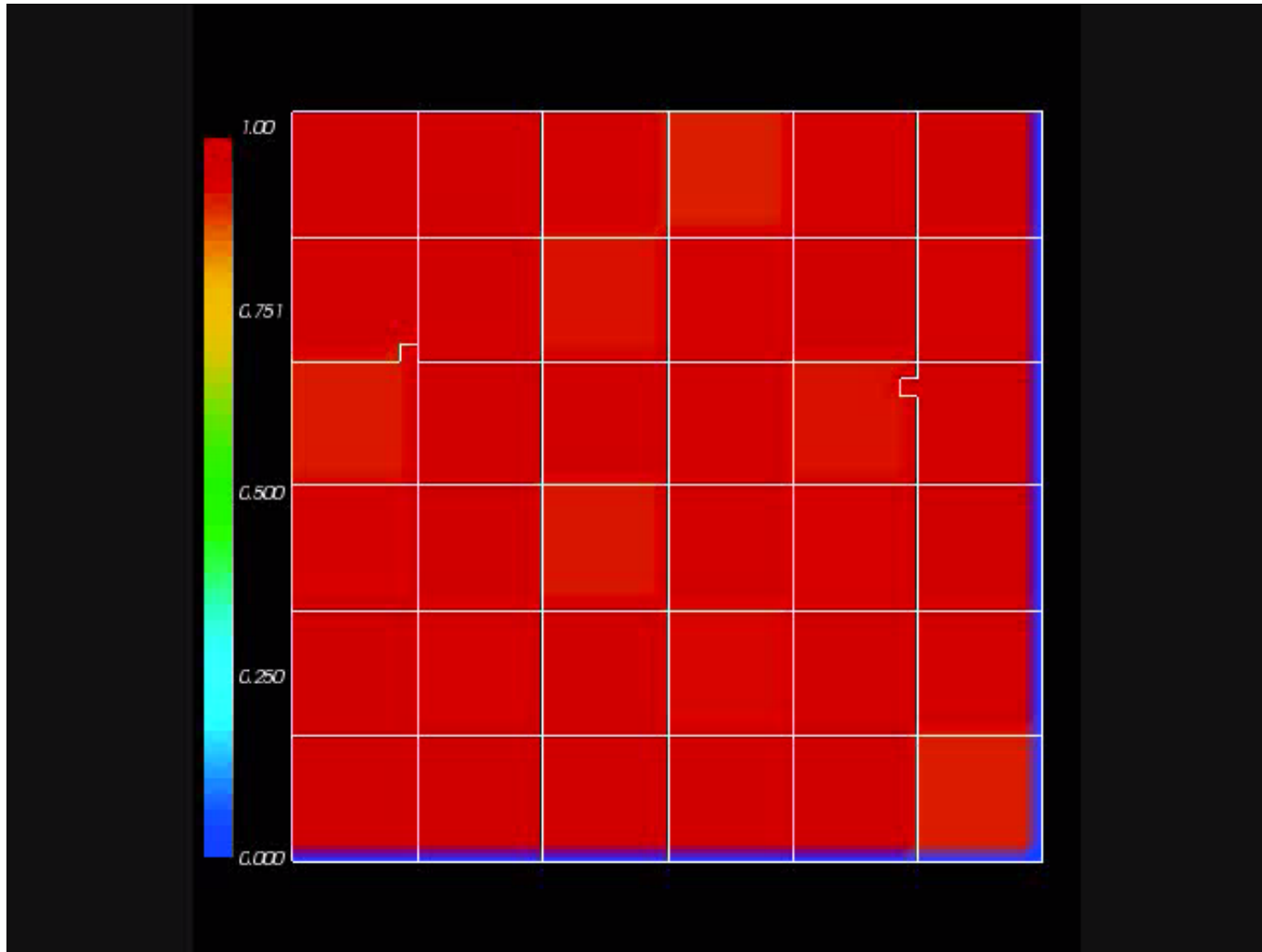
```
25     #Initial conditions
26     import random
27     for cell in self.cellList:
28         if (cell):
29             D = random.uniform(0.9,1.0)
30             N = random.uniform(0.9,1.0)
31             bionetAPI.setBionetworkValue("DN_D",D,cell.id)
32             bionetAPI.setBionetworkValue("DN_N",N,cell.id)
33             cellDict=CompuCell.getPyAttrib(cell)
34             cellDict["D"]=D
35             cellDict["N"]=N
```

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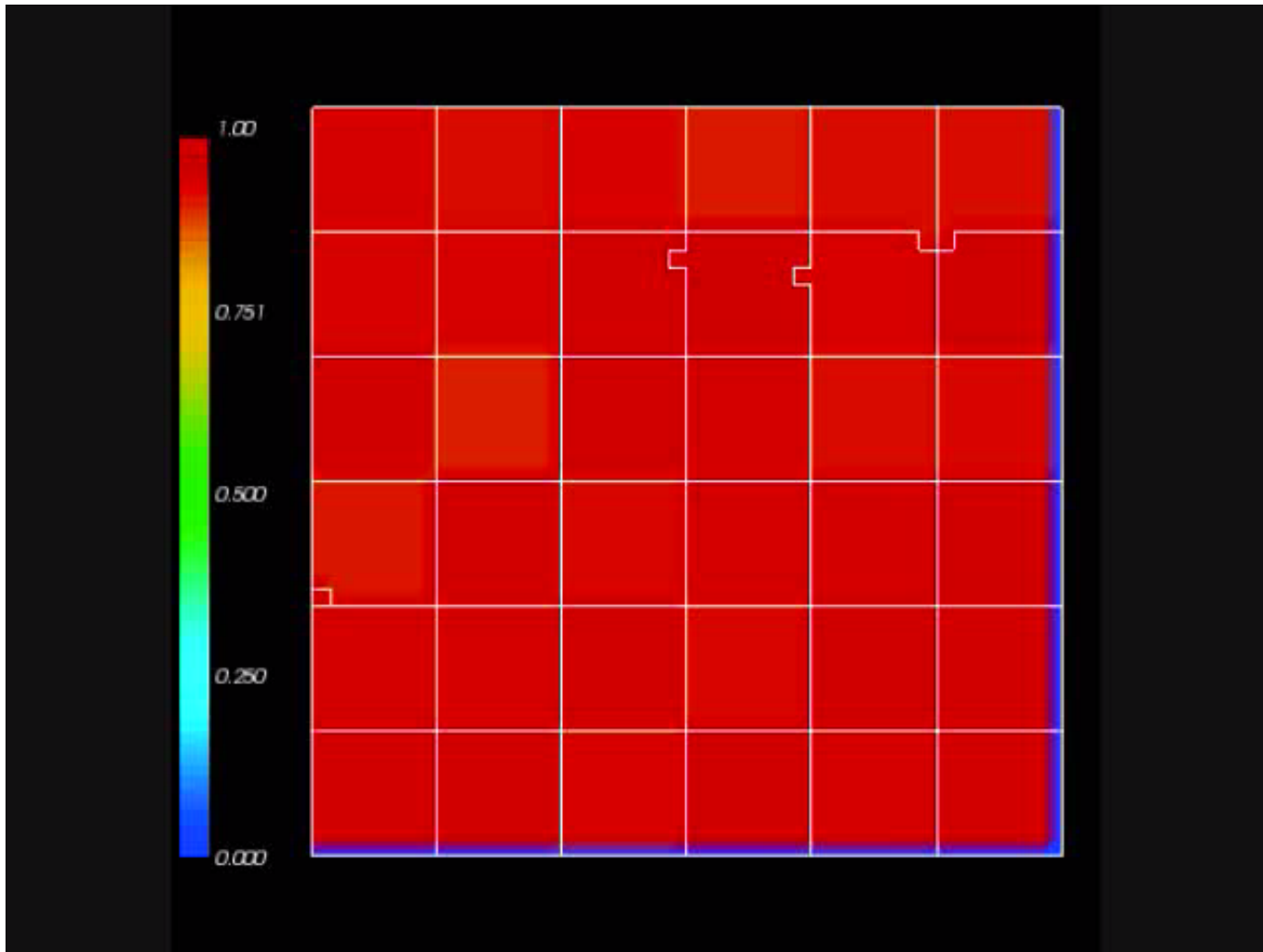
# Fourth Example – Delta-Notch Patterning

- When we run this model we can see that first the Notch values go down before the pattern emerges:



# Fourth Example – Delta-Notch Patterning

- If we increase the level of membrane fluctuations the pattern will be disrupted :



# Exercise – 2 SBML models

- Below is a simulation with Tyson's Cell Cycle and Collier's Delta Notch models:

