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New chemistry teaching tools for Moodle: Chemical substances, MolSimilarity, ReacSimilarity.

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LMS and chemistry: different approaches



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Chemist Bot as a Helpful Personal Online Training Tool for the Final Chemistry Examination

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Developed plugins

Atto plugin to insert chemical drawings in any question and resources on Moodle:

Molstructure.



Soft grading system for chemistry in a Moodle plugin:

Molsimilarity¹



Soft grading system for chemical reactions in a Moodle plugin:

Reacsimilarity



Projects timeline



Atto plugin: molstructure

Why the need for a new chemistry editor atto plugin?

- 100% free tool and open source no license
- Plug and play no settings on the administrator side
- Live preview of the inserted drawing size
- Insert chemical drawings in any type of question, E.g., multi choice questions



Workflow



Soft grading through similarity (1)

Grade is proportional to the similarity

Example: Major product of 2,3-Dimethyl-2-butanol dehydration by H₂SO₄ ?



Good answer: Other plugins: 1/1 Our plugin: 1/1

Wrong answer: Other plugins: 0/1 Our plugin: 0,68/1*

Substructural molecular fragments (SMF)



Molecules and reactions can be encoded by a descriptor vector¹. It can be used for several applications from machine learning to description of a database.

Soft grading through similarity (2)

Goal: Moving from binary to continuous notation How ? \rightarrow Tanimoto similarity

$$T_s = \frac{A \cap B}{A \cup B}$$

Example: Correction of the "incorrect" answer



From molecules to reactions

Other plugins: grading molecule by molecule Issues: - Need to write molecules in same order

- Need to correct n object instead of one



Condensed graph of reaction (CGR)



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Example of a Diels-Alder reaction (left), with the associated Condensed Graph of Reaction¹ (right). Green bonds are created one and red bonds are deleted one.

A CGR can be considered as a pseudomolecule and chemoinformatic methods applied to it

How to build a CGR

Atom mapping: needed to link the reactants and products graphs It assigns a unique identifiers to the atoms of reactants and products

- \rightarrow Find the environment of a product atom in the atoms of the reactants
- \rightarrow Determine the changes in the graph
- \rightarrow If the environment changed, dynamic bonds and/or atoms.



Possibilities in term of correction (1)

Stereochemistry (R/S, Z/E)

• Computed if both stereo-omitted molecular graphs are identical and the option is selected.



Possibilities in term of correction (2)

Lone pairs, radicals, and formal charges

- Molecular descriptors sensitive to lone pairs, formal charges and radicals.
- The score penalizes errors on radicals and lone pairs.



Demo plugin molsimilarity

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Perspectives

Several developments can be thought of :







Stereochemistry for the reaction plugin

Drawing of mechanistic arrows \rightarrow Plugin atto

Chemical experimental setup plugin

Disseminate the plugins



Thanks





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Link to the plugins

Grade calculation

- Grade g_{rest} :Tanimoto similarity between the student's and teacher's structures, computed on the REST server.
- Stereochemistry analysis not requested ?

 \rightarrow g_{rest} sent back to Moodle.

• Otherwise ?

$$g_{rest} = \begin{cases} \frac{\#Correct\ Stereo\ Center}{\#Total\ Stereo\ Center}, & ij \\ 0, & ij \end{cases}$$

if similarity score = 1 if similarity score $\neq 1$ • g_{rest} returned to the Moodle server, final grade g is calculated:

$$\Rightarrow g = \begin{cases} (g_{rest})^{\alpha}, & if (g_{rest})^{\alpha} \ge t \\ 0, & otherwise \end{cases}$$

- t and α are user defined parameters.
- α parameter modulates teacher's exigency:
 - $\rightarrow \alpha < 1$ soft grading
 - $\rightarrow \alpha > 1$ severe grading