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## The Finland Tutorials

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## My Background

- Professor in Computer Sciences  
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- Research:
  - extensible software
  - software product-lines
  - domain-specific languages
  - automated software construction
- Research goals: build customized software  
faster, cheaper, and better

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## Overview

- Thesis: simple ideas can streamline the design,  
construction, and evolution of complex software in an  
elegant way
  - result: a theory of software design based on generative programming
- Very different way to understand and develop software
  - takes time to appreciate
- Goal: create a scientific theory of software design  
and implementation – a body of knowledge organized  
around principles, expressible by mathematics

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## A Guiding Analogy

- Audio recording techniques then and now
  - 1950's – expensive, "get-it-right-the-1<sup>st</sup>-time", hard to change
  - today's recordings made in sound studios that "mixin" different  
(but simple) sound tracks to create rich artifacts
  - same for video images (e.g., Titanic)
  - layering simplifies construction of sophisticated artifacts from  
simple artifacts, controls cost, reduces complexity, and improves  
product
- We are building Y2K+ software using 1950's tech.
  - very expensive, hard to change
  - show how to build software a more modern way

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## Ideas are Applicable

- Small-to-medium systems
  - 10K – 200K LOC
- Special cases are COM, CORBA components
  - 200K+ LOC

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## Overview

- First 2 lectures summarize work prior to 2000
  - review basic ideas
  - coherent & elegant architectural models
  - composition validation
  - automatic programming
- Last lecture outlines vista AHEAD
  - ideas that have radically altered my understanding of my own work, greatly expanded what is possible
  - tunnel analogy

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## At Stake...

- Next generation software design and programming technologies



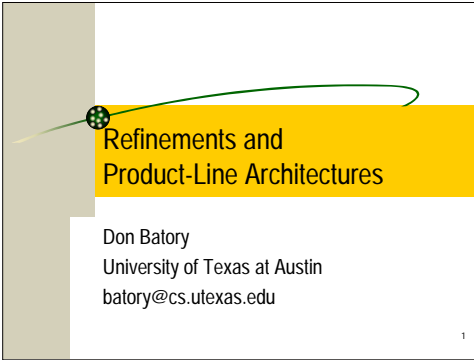
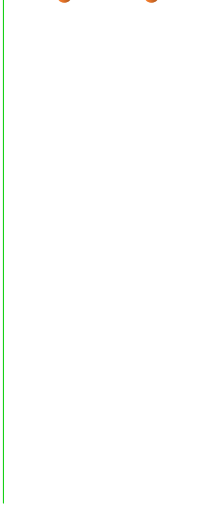

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## Tutorial Lectures

- #1: Refinements and Product-Line Architectures
- #2: Design Rules and Design Wizards
- #3: Scaling Refinements
- Collection of previous talks
  - 50-minute invited presentations (2000-)
  - 20-minute conference presentations (1998-)
  - some from earlier tutorial (1994-1998)
- Ask questions whenever!!

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# Lecture 1



Refinements and  
Product-Line Architectures

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# Lecture 1a: Refinements and Product-Line Architectures

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## This Lecture

- ✦ About a new kind of modularity for software
  - ideal for (product-line) architectures, software synthesis
  - introduce ideas through series of short presentations
- ✦ Ideas are:
  - simple, easy to understand, easy to recognize
  - deep, hard to understand
  - applicable now...

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## So What?

- ✦ Why do we need a new kind of modularity when we're satisfied now...?
- ✦ Ans: you're not satisfied!
  - add/remove feature from existing application
  - COM-DCOM-CORBA components aren't universal
    - show example later where COM modularity is opposite of what we want

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## Historical Perspective

- ✦ Software design and programming languages influenced by **modularity**
  - module encapsulates primitive functionality or service that (ideally) can be reused
- ✦ Module granularities became progressively larger
  - small            - function
  - medium         - class            = suites of interrelated functions
  - large            - package         = suites of interrelated classes

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## Granularity vs. Reuse

- ✦ Benefits of scaled granularity driven by reuse
- ✦ More a module is used, more valuable it is
- ✦ Biggerstaff 1994 observed:
  - larger the module, more specific its functionality, less likely to be reused
  - scaling modularity seems to defeat the purpose of reuse
  - opposite of what we want

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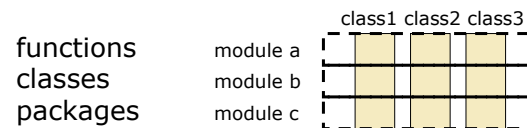
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- ✦ Lot of independent research today says solution is a module encapsulates **fragments** of



- composing modules yields packages of fully-formed classes

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## Contributors to this view...

- ✦ Different researchers have different variants (implementations) of this idea
  - **refinements** – Dijkstra, Wirth 68, Neighbors 84, Smith 89
  - **layers** – Dijkstra 68, Batory 84
  - **collaborations** – Reenskaug 92
  - **traversals** – Lieberherr 96
  - **aspects** – Kiczales 97, et al.
  - **concerns** – Ossher-Harrison-Tarr 99
  - **feature-based product-lines** – Kang 90, Gomaa 92

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## Common Idea...

### 🔦 Refinement

- an elaboration or extension of a program (entity) that introduces a new service, feature, or relationship

### 🔦 Characteristics

- abstract, very general idea
- reusable
- interchangeable
- (largely) defined independently of each other

### 🔦 Illustrate concept in next few slides

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## Tutorial on Refinements



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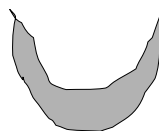
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## Refinements are Reusable



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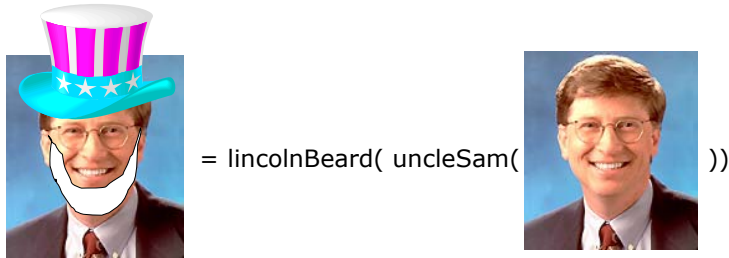
## Refinements are Functions

-  `PersonPhoto beanie(PersonPhoto x)`
-  `PersonPhoto uncleSam(PersonPhoto x)`
-  `PersonPhoto mustache(PersonPhoto x)`
-  `PersonPhoto lincolnBeard(PersonPhoto x)`

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## Refinement Compositions

💡 Refinement composition == function composition



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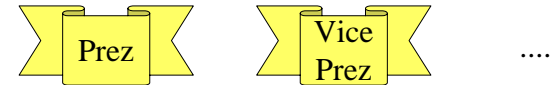
## Large Scale Refinements

💡 called **Collaborations (1992)**

- simultaneously modify multiple objects/entities
- refinement of single entity is called **role**

💡 Example: Positions in US Government

- each defines a role



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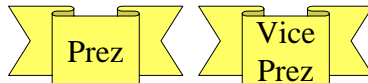


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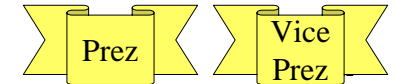
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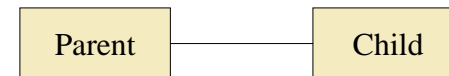
Example of dynamic composition of collaborations



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## Other Collaborations

✦ Parent-Child collaboration

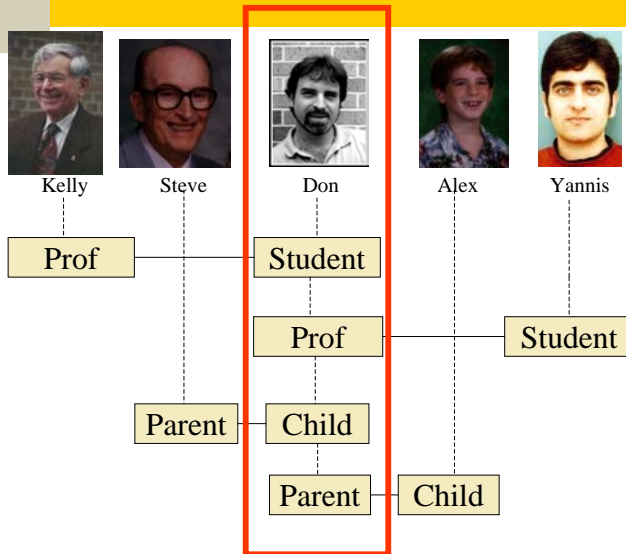


✦ Prof-Student collaboration



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## Example



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## Same Holds for Software!

Highly complex entities and relationships in software can be synthesized by composing generic & reusable refinements

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## Returning to Computer Science

- 🔧 **Refinement** – an elaboration or extension of a program that introduces a new service or feature
- 🔧 Prominent characteristic is “cross cutting”
  - refinement modifies multiple classes of an application simultaneously and consistently
- 🔧 “Aspect” is the currently popular term for this effect
  - “refinement” was original name
  - does not imply particular implementation (as does “aspects”)

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## Connecting the Dots...

- 🔧 Resurrection of age-old design methodology **step-wise refinement**
  - idea of progressively building programs by adding one detail or feature at a time
  - abandoned because it failed to produce programs of significant size
  - reason: use of microscopic refinements required hundreds/thousands of refinements to produce admittedly small programs
- 🔧 **Step-wise refinement** is fundamental and shouldn't be abandoned
  - **but it needs to be scaled!**

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## Novelty of Current Work

### ✎ Addresses key limitations:

- scaling refinements – where single refinement impacts multiple classes
- composing a few refinements yields entire application

### ✎ Consequences:

- inverse relationship between module size and reusability (which crippled conventional concepts of modules) no longer applies
- software modularity is a topic of wide-spread interest
- leads to talk on product-line architectures...

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## Introduction to Product-Lines

### ✎ Models of software are too low level

- expose classes, methods, objects as focal point of discourse in software design and implementation
- difficult (impossible) to
  - reason about construction of applications from components
  - produce software automatically from high-level specifications (distance is too great)

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## Product-Line Architectures

### ✎ Problems become evident in PLAs

- goal: build families of related applications through component compositions...

### ✎ With PLAs we want:

- simple specifications of applications
- reason about application implementations using components
- automatically optimize designs given application constraints

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## Can be done...

### ✎ Provided that components encapsulate implementation of individual **features** that can be shared by multiple applications

- app1 has features x,y,z
- app2 has features x,q,r

**Focus of discourse is on FEATURES not CODE**

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- ✦ Features align better with requirements
  - more abstract form of modularity
- ✦ But refinements are what features are all about...!
- ✦ Outline a model of software development based on refinements...

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## Next Few Slides...

High-level view of application specifications

⇒ Abstract model for implementing specifications

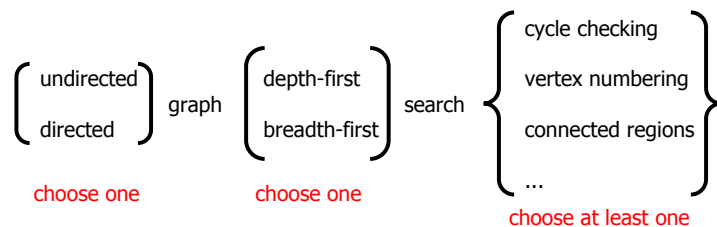
⇒ Concrete implementation of this model

⇒ Relate to Other issues

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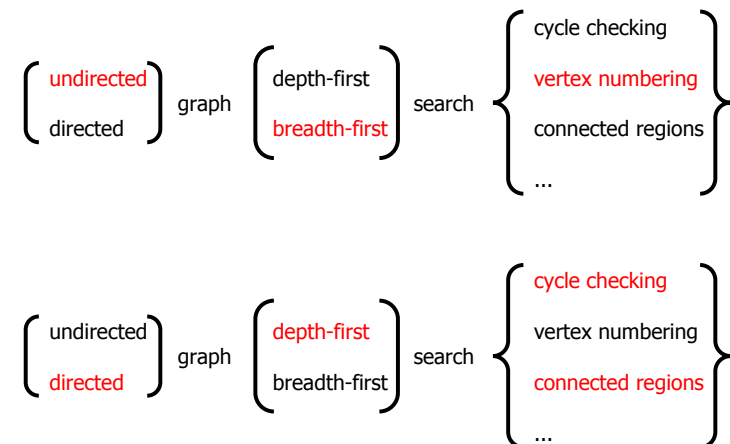
## Example: Domain of Graph Applications

- Simplest way to express family of related applications is as a **grammar**
  - different members have different sets of features



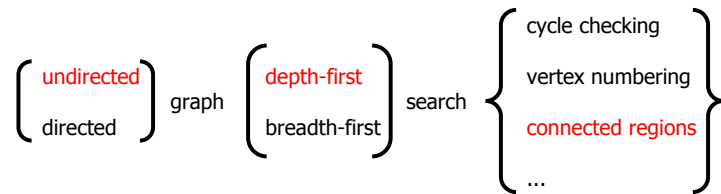
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## Example Family Members



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## Now its your turn...



- Easy to imagine a GUI tool that would allow you to specify any possible combination
  - and generate an explanation of your specification
  - and identify errors (and suggest corrections) when some combination of features is not possible

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## That's easy... but what's hard?

🔦 Mapping to an abstract model of product-lines

🔦 Basic ideas:

- programs are **values**
- functions map input values (programs) to output values (programs)
- **GenVoca Model**

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## Programs as Values

🔦 Constants:

- $f$  - an application with feature  $f$
- $h$  - an application with feature  $h$

🔦 Functions (Refinements)

- $i(x)$  - adds feature  $i$  to application  $x$
- $j(x)$  - adds feature  $j$  to application  $x$

**Key idea:  
equating features  
with refinements  
(constants,  
functions)**

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## Function Composition

🔦 Applications are **equations**

- $\text{app1} = i(f)$  - application with features  $f$  and  $i$
- $\text{app2} = j(h)$  - application with features  $h$  and  $j$
- $\text{app3} = i(j(f))$  - your turn...

**Given set of "building block" constants and functions, we can create a family of applications through function composition**

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## Graph Application Domain

### Constants:

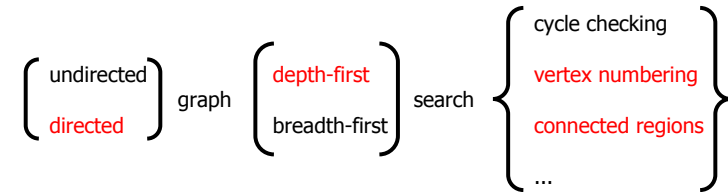
directed  
undirected

### Functions:

dfs( x ) – depth first search  
bfs( x ) – breadth first search  
cycle( x ) – cycle checking  
number( x ) – vertex numbering  
region( x ) – connected regions  
...

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## Constructing Applications



- `graph_app = region( vertex( dfs( directed )))`
- order of function composition is dictated order in which applications are refined....

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## Where we are...

High-level view of application specifications

⇒ Abstract model for implementing specifications

⇒ Concrete implementation of this model

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## Questions to Answer...

✎ How do we represent programs as constants?

✎ How do we represent refinements as functions?

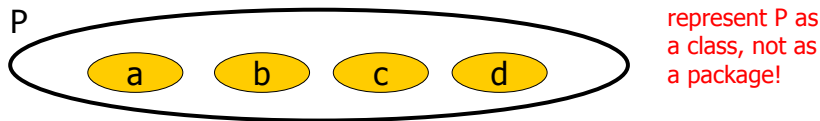
✎ Note: there are lots of answers.

Here is the simplest...

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## Programs are Constants

- Application P is a set (package) of classes



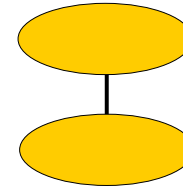
represent P as  
a class, not as  
a package!

```
class P {  
  class a { ... } // inner classes  
  class b { ... }  
  class c { ... }  
  class d { ... }  
}
```

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## Functions?

- How do we statically refine classes in OO?



Ans: inheritance

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## Scaling Refinements...

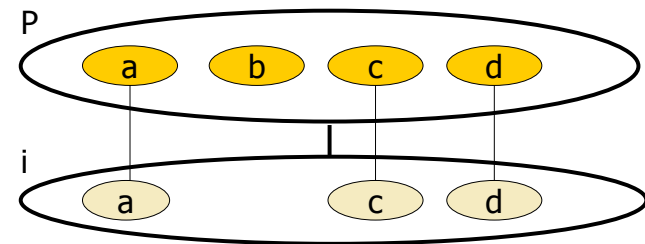
- When you add a new feature to an existing OO application, what do you notice?

- changes aren't localized
  - many classes are refined
  - "cross cuts"

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## Functions

- Apply function i() to application P



```
class i <x> extends x {  
  class a extends x.a { ... } // mixins =  
  class c extends x.c { ... } // parameterized  
  class d extends x.d { ... } // inheritance  
}
```

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## Mixin-Layers

- ✦ Nest mixins inside mixins – called **mixin-layers**

```
class i <x> extends x { ... } outer mixin
  class a extends x.a { ... }
  class c extends x.c { ... } inner or nested mixin
  class d extends x.d { ... }
}
```

- ✦ An elegant way to implement collaborations (refinements)

- as we will see later, not the only way...
- there are **lots** of ways...

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## Summarizing

- ✦ Functions are implemented as mixins
  - take superclass as input and produce subclass as output
- ✦ Function composition corresponds to template composition

$j(i(h)) \rightarrow j\langle i\langle h \rangle \rangle$

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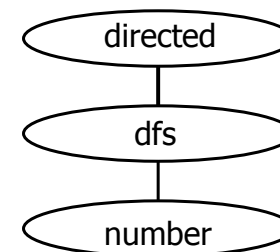
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## Graph Domain

- ✦ Consider application:

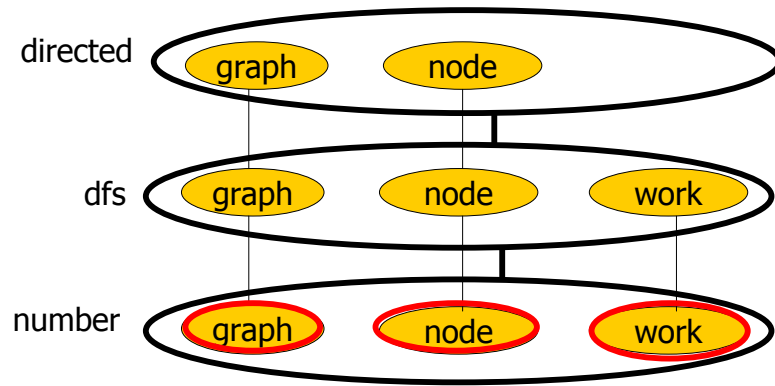
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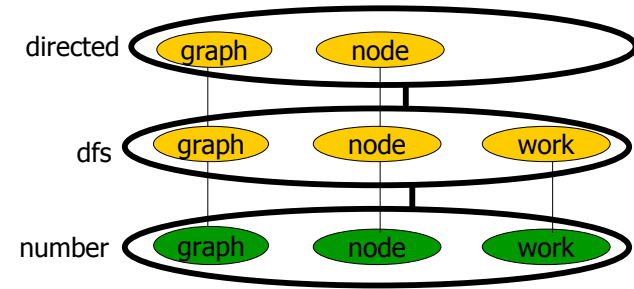
## app1



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## What If app1 Written By hand?

✦ Wouldn't have the inheritance hierarchy



- only write bottom-most classes
- these classes can be automatically generated

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## Big Picture

✦ Lots of ways to implement refinements:

- objects
- templates
- metaprograms
- 
- rule-sets of program transformation systems...

✦ Lots of success: Product-lines created for

- database systems (1988)
- network protocols (1989)
- data structures (1993)
- avionics (1994)
- extensible Java compilers (1997)
- radio ergonomics (1998)



verification tools (2000)

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## Remaining Topics...

✦ Nontrivial example of these ideas

✦ Future areas of research....

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## A Real Example...

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## FSATS

### 🚀 Fire Support Automated Test System

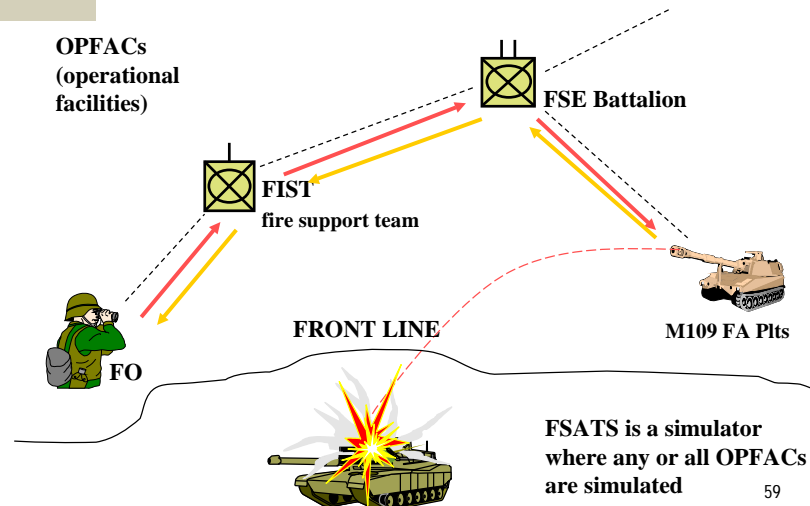
- command-and-control simulator for Army fire support
- 1<sup>st</sup> generation system (10 years old)

### 🚀 Problems common to other applications

- difficult to understand, maintain, debug
- new capabilities projected, existing revamped
- **design fatigue** – don't want to extend current version

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## Overview of Fire Support



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## Vanilla Distributed Application

### 🚀 Set of collaborating objects that work collectively to process mission

### 🚀 Different types of missions (collaborations):

- WRFFE artillery
- WRFFE mortars
- Adjust-Fire artillery, Adjust-Fire mortars
- about 20 mission types in all, more are projected

### 🚀 OPFAC takes different actions per mission type

### 🚀 Can simultaneously process any number of mission instances (2 WRFFE-mortars, 3 AF-Arts)

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## Original Implementation

- Was monolithic; each OPFAC is an Ada program that sends and receives tactical messages
- Received message processed by rules:
  - if (conditions<sub>1</sub>) do-action<sub>1</sub>;
  - if (conditions<sub>2</sub>) do-action<sub>2</sub>;
  - if (conditions<sub>3</sub>) do-action<sub>3</sub>; ...
- Complicated...
  - conditions are conjunctions of 5-10 primitives
  - 200-1000+ rules per OPFAC
  - hard to see what rules would actually apply to given mission
  - difficult to write, understand, debug rules

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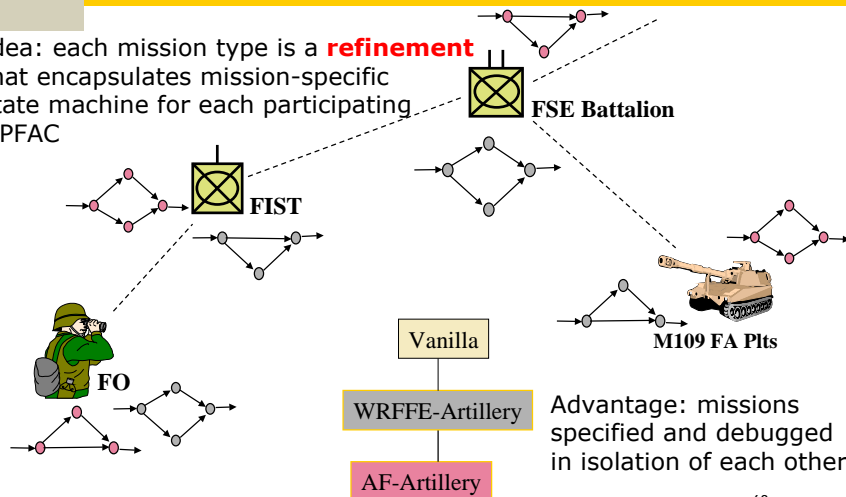
## Key Goals of Redesign

- 🚩 Disentangle logic of different mission types
  - implementation and testing of different missions independent of existing missions
- 🚩 Reduce conceptual distance from logic specification to implementation
  - trace implementation to requirements
- 🚩 Easy to add new mission types, experiment with different implementations

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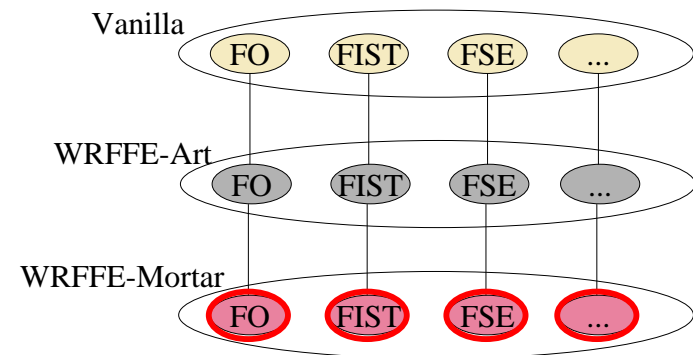
## FSATS Prototype

Idea: each mission type is a **refinement** that encapsulates mission-specific state machine for each participating OPFAC



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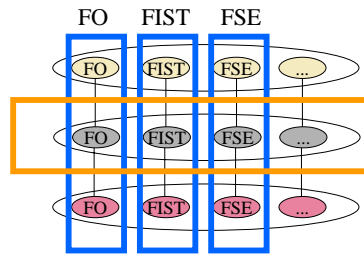
## Mixin-Layer Implementation



FSATS = WRFPE-Mortar( WRFPE-Art( Vanilla ) 64 )

## Perspective

- Each vertical inheritance chain defines an OPFAC program
  - CORBA or DCOM component
- Each mission type (an FSATS building block) cuts across OPFAC programs
  - layer or refinement



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## Concrete Benefits

- ✂ Code complexity reduced by factor of 4
- ✂ Added feature in 3 days would have taken over a month previously
- ✂ Regained intellectual control over FSATS design

See "Achieving Extensibility Through Product-Lines and Domain-Specific Languages: A Case Study"  
Int. Conf. Software Reuse, June 2000



- ✂ \$2.2M project in 2002 from STRICOM to build next-generation version of FSATS
- ✂ **More in later lecture...**

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## Future Areas of Research

Automatic Programming  
Separation of Concerns

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## Automatic Programming

- ✂ Ancient problem of program synthesis
- ✂ Goal: translate declarative specifications on program use to **efficient** implementation
- ✂ Largely abandoned in mid-1980s because techniques didn't scale, too complicated
  - See Balzer's paper in Biggerstaff & Perlis Reuse Text
- ✂ Still an important problem!!

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## Automatic Design of Software

- Remember: applications are represented by equations!
- Optimizations arise when there are multiple ways to implement the same feature
  - suppose we want an application with features a, b, c
  - 3 ways to implement b:  
 $b_1(\dots), b_2(\dots), b_3(\dots)$

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## Equation Optimization

- ✎ We know one of the following equations best defines our application:

$$\text{App} = \min\{ \$( a( b_1( c ) ) ), \\ \$( a( b_2( c ) ) ), \\ \$( a( b_3( c ) ) ) \\ \}$$

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## Equation Optimization

- ✎ Intelligently walk the space of all equations
  - convert each equation into cost function
  - evaluate cost function to assess “efficiency” of design
  - having found “best” design, convert equation into software
  - analogous to relational query optimization
- ✎ Refinements “encapsulate” changes to:
  - source code
  - performance models...

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## Equation Optimization

- ✎ See “Design Wizards...” IEEE TSE May 2000 
  - automatically designs software for given domain
  - automatically generates this software
- ✎ Concrete results:
  - generated code typically faster than hand-written code
  - designs typically as good (sometimes better) than experts
- ✎ Exciting area for further research...
  - more in later lecture...

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## Separation of Concerns

### 🔧 People model applications from different viewpoints:

- requirements, source code, documentation
- formal properties, performance properties, ....
- PLA conference – one group maintains 9 different views of their software (process, class-diagram, ...)!!

### 🔧 All are *concerns*

- *different dimensions and representations in which to conceptualize, understand, and build software*

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## Relevance to Refinements?

### 🔧 Refinements are very abstract concept

- need not be limited to expressing changes to source code

(which is almost all that we look at today)

### 🔧 When you apply a refinement to an application, you *change* the application's:

- source code, performance properties, documentation,
- formal properties, ....
- "cross cutting effects"

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## Refinements and Concerns

### 🔧 When we write applications as equations:

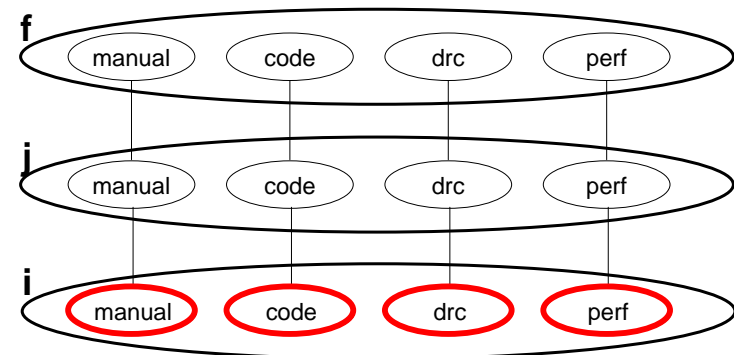
$$\text{app1} = i(j(f))$$

### 🔧 We could be updating multiple representations – concerns – simultaneously and

**Consistently**

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## Visualization of $i(j(f))$



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## Our Experience

- ✂ We built distinct tools and specifications for refinements:
  - source code
  - formal properties
  - documentations
  - performance properties ...
- ✂ Had no model that allowed us to relate all the pieces together into a coherent whole
  - now we do...
  - may not solve all problems, but it gets us up the curve...

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## Consistency of Refinements

- ✂ Maintaining the consistency of different representations/concerns is key
  - but this is a collaboration!!
- ✂ Refinements provide a way to simplify this problem to the consistency of concerns on a per-feature basis...
- ✂ Saying  
"when modularity grows up...  
we'll be talking about refinements"
- ✂ More in later lecture ...

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## Conclusions

- Years of work has taught me that refinements are fundamental to building blocks of software applications
  - took me years to realize that programs are values...
- Ideas are important
  - raise level of modularity from "code" to "design"
  - raise level of programming to the architectural level
  - allows us to reason about applications in terms of their features (as real architects do)
  - structured way to automate the development of complex, efficient software
  - provides us with a broader view of our universe
  - its simple (but it requires you to think differently)

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Kysymyksiä?  
Questions?

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## Lecture 1b: Heritage of Refinements

refinements are not new, but were already part of our software design vocabulary...

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## Background

🔦 GenVoca arose circa 1983:

- legos: idea of components that export and import standardized interfaces taken to logical conclusion
- outgrowth of **layered designs**
  - each layer adds new functionality
  - or extends existing functionality

🔦 Develop GenVoca ideas from first principles

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## Hierarchical Software

🔦 Virtual Machines (Dijkstra 1968)

- design each level of a hierarchical system independently
- **virtual machine** – operations on level  $i+1$  defined in terms of operations on level  $i$

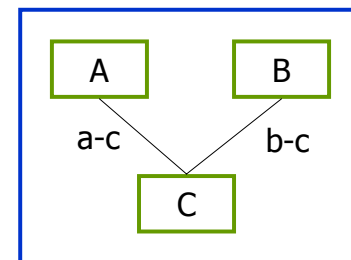
🔦 Refresh using OO ideas:

- **OOVM interface** – set of Java interfaces
- hierarchical design = set of OOVMs, 1 per level

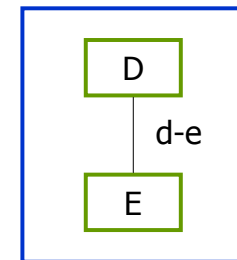
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## Object Model Notation

🔦 Use E-R like notation (any will do)



object model R

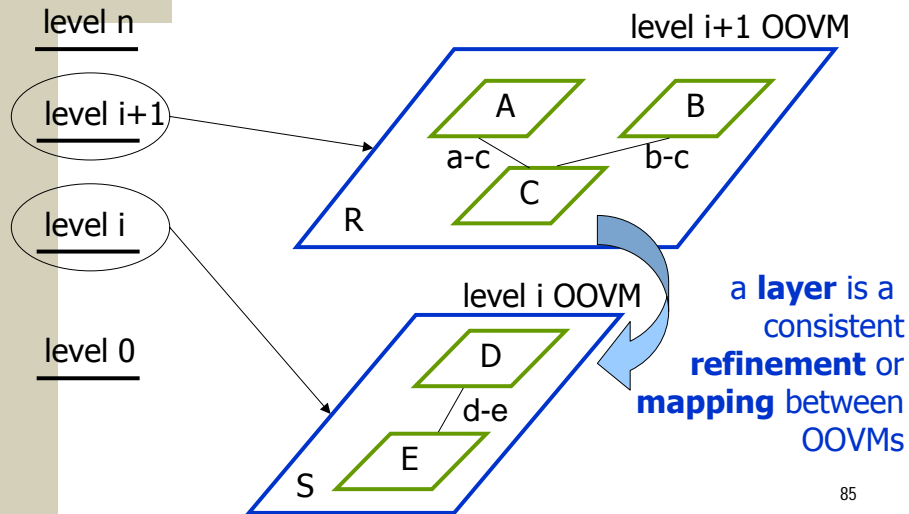


object model S

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## Hierarchical Designs



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## GenVoca – the early years...

- Interface of layer is an OOVm
- Realm is set of all layers that implement same OOVm

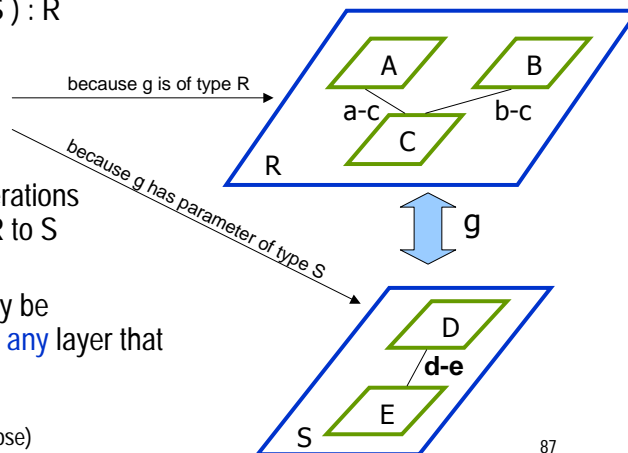
$$S = \{ y, z, w \}$$

- $$R = \{ g(x:S), h(x:S), i(x:R) \}$$
- plug-compatible, interoperable, interchangeable
  - parameterized layers are functions
  - non-parameterized layers are constants

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## Parameterized Layers

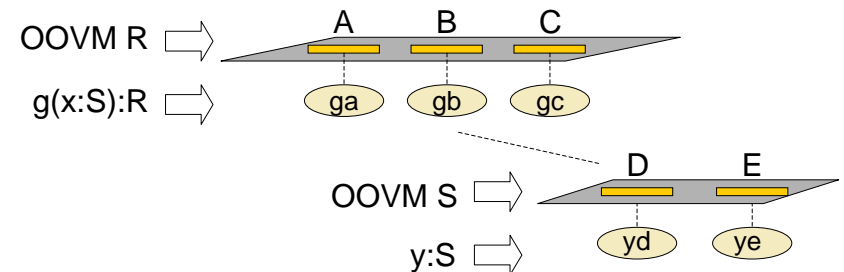
- Consider  $g(x:S) : R$
  - $g$  exports  $R$ ;  $g$  imports  $S$
  - $g$  translates operations and objects of  $R$  to  $S$
  - parameter  $x$  may be implemented by any layer that implements  $S$
- (not quite true, but close)



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## Mixin-Layer Representations

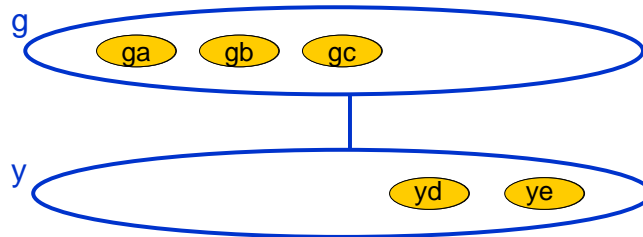
$g(y):R$



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## Mixin-Layer Representations

Mixin-Layers



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## Applications are Equations

- Equations model abstraction hierarchies
  - type of equation defines interface of resulting application

$$S = \{ y, z, w \}$$

$$R = \{ g(x:S), h(x:S), i(x:R) \}$$

- `app1 = y` // implements OOVM S
- `app2 = g( w )` // implements OOVM R
- `app3 = g( z )` // implements OOVM R

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## Product-Lines and Grammars

- Model** = realms and layers
- Realm/Model representation

Grammar representation:

$$S = \{ y, z, w \}$$

$$S: y \mid z \mid w$$

$$R = \{ g(x:S), h(x:S), i(x:R) \} \quad R: gS \mid hS \mid iR$$

set of all sentences is a **language**  
or **product-line**

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## Symmetric Layers

- Recursion is fundamental to grammars; symmetric layers are fundamental to GenVoca
  - export and import same OOVM
  - composable in virtually arbitrary orders
  - composition order affects semantics, performance

- A **symmetric** layer of realm **W** has parameter of type **W**

$$W = \{ m(x:W), n(x:W), p \}$$

$$\text{ex: } m(n(p)), n(m(p)), m(m(p)), n(n(p)), \dots$$

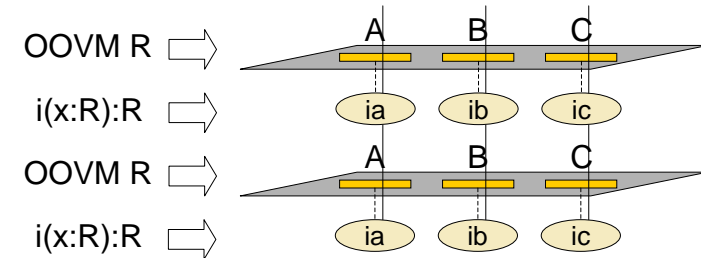
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## What does Symmetry mean?

- 🔧 Augments or enriches existing abstractions
  - relational DBMS – add transposition, data cube
  - relational interface still the same, except it has been enriched
    - think of extending a class with a subclass – same idea
  - seemingly infinite number of such enrichments....
- 🔧 Experience: **very** common in all domains...
  - should be easy to see...
  - “creeping featurisms”

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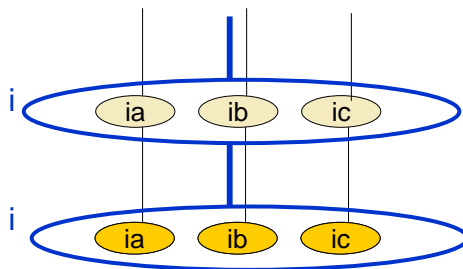
## Mixin-Layer Composition: $i(i(x))$



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## Symmetric Layers

Mixin-Layers



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## Scalability

- 🔧 Adding a new layer (**function, constant**) to a realm (**model**) is equivalent to adding a new rule to a grammar
  - family of applications enlarges exponentially (in the length of the equation)
  - because huge families can be built using relatively few layers (refinements), GenVoca models are **scalable**...

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## Important Special Cases – COM

- ✦ Microsoft's Component Object Model (**COM**)
  - components export and import "standardized" interfaces
  - applications are compositions of COM components
- ✦ Differences are vanishing slowly
  - .Net now supports inheritance among COM components
    - » not true "refinement" yet
  - COM components are single (binary) class that exports multiple interfaces
    - note: not (yet) critical to class of applications we've seen
  - previously not much plug-and-play
    - only one implementation of interfaces typically
    - e.g., windows media player
  - **Microsoft's Open Information Model 1998**

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## Important Special Cases – Aspects

- ✦ **Aspects implement refinements**
  - implement cross-cuts
- ✦ We've implemented the Graph Product Line using **AspectJ**
  - **AspectJ** is flagship tool for **Aspect-Oriented Programming (AOP)**
  - here's how we expressed class refinement
  - note: this is on-going work with Roberto Lopez-Herrejon

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## Aspects (Cont)

- ✦ **AspectJ** has two cross-cut implementations
  - "static" and "dynamic"

```
refines class C {                public aspect aspectName {  
    int newVar;                   int C.newVar;  
    void newmeth() {...}         void C.newMethod() {...}  
}
```

refinement

static AspectJ Cross-Cut

## Aspects (Cont)

- ✦ Refining methods references super

```
refines class C {  
    void myMethod(int z) {  
        // before code  
        super.myMethod(z+2);  
        // after code  
    }  
}
```

method  
refinement

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## Dynamic Cross-Cuts of AspectJ

```
public aspect aspectName {  
  
    pointcut override_method(C c, int z): target  
        target(c) && args(z) &&  
        call(void C.myMethod(int)); of refinement  
  
    void around(C c, int z): override_method(c, z) {  
        // before code  
        proceed(c, z + 2); // roughly = to super  
        // after code how to refine  
    }  
  
}
```

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## Aspects (Cont)

- ✎ Equation  $X = A(B(C))$  is **AspectJ** call:
  - > `ajc C B A` (order doesn't matter)
- ✎ Composition order not fully defined
  - can linearize order by "dominates" declaration
- ✎ Aspects can't add classes that can be subsequently refined...
  - simple work-around

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## Summary of Special Cases

all  $\left( \begin{array}{l} \text{aspects} \\ \text{mixin-layers} \\ \text{COM components} \\ \dots \end{array} \right)$  are implementations of refinements

not all aspects can be implemented as mixin-layers  
not all mixin-layers can be implemented by aspects  
not all COM can be implemented by aspects

they are all refinement implementation techniques  
that have their advantages, disadvantages

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## And Let's Not Forget...

- ✎ Lots of other work and viewpoints on refinements
  - Doug Smith (Kestrel)
  - Jim Neighbor's Draco
    - » program optimizations
  - Ira Baxter's Design Maintenance (CACM'92)
  - ...

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# Recap Heritage

✦ Rich (largely forgotten) history of software design related to refinements

- layers, collaborations are examples of refinements
- equations model hierarchical systems
- models of refinements are grammars
- set of all sentences = language = product-line
- symmetric layers export and import the same type  
= recursion in grammars
- special cases reduce to traditional component models  
(e.g. COM, CORBA) and nontraditional models (aspects)

# Lecture 2: Design Rules and Design Wizards

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## Three Fundamental Topics

- **Object-Oriented Frameworks and Product-Lines**
  - further insight into power of layers by relating to OO frameworks
- **Composition Validation** – not all eqns are valid
  - impossible for users to debug generated code
  - need automated help to validate compositions
  - **design rules** (composition constraints) are an answer...
- **Automatic Programming** – generation of efficient programs from declarative specs
  - largely abandoned problem now in renaissance
  - equation optimization
  - **design wizards** technology is an answer...

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# Lecture 2a: Object-Oriented Frameworks and Product-Lines

Cultural Enrichment...

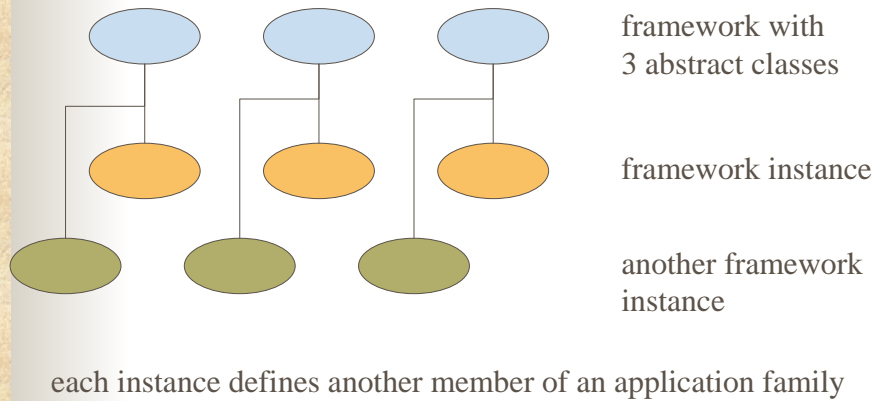
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## Introduction

- **OO Framework** is a set of abstract classes that encapsulate common algorithms of a family of applications
  - certain methods left unspecified (abstract)
  - a framework is a “code template” – key details are missing
  - **framework instance** provides these details, by supplying concrete class for each abstract class

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## Frameworks (Continued)



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## Houston... we have a problem...

- Delineation between abstract and reusable code from instance-specific code is arbitrary
  - concrete classes of different framework instances can have much in common – e.g., replicate with maintenance problems.
  - abstract classes can have variations – leads to a proliferation of frameworks (with maintenance problems)
- Practical problem:  
IBM's San Francisco Project has seen this happen

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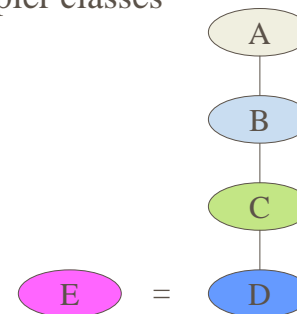
## Key Problem...

- Product-lines with optional features are not handled well by frameworks
  - over-features – a lot of not-entirely general functionality may be in abstract classes
  - replication of code in framework instances
- Our contribution:
  - create a Product-Line of frameworks
  - assemble both abstract and concrete classes of frameworks from primitive and reusable layers
  - eliminate the problem of arbitrary delineation of abstract from concrete

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## Illustration

- Recall a fundamental “law” of OO – a class can be decomposed into a linear inheritance chain of simpler classes



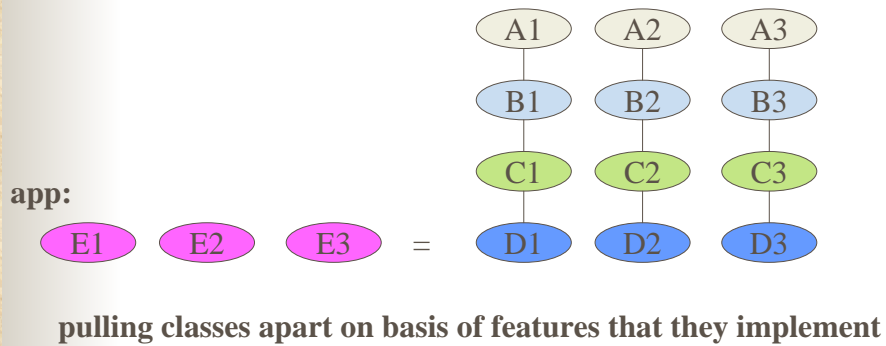
always pull a complex class apart and express as compositions of simpler classes

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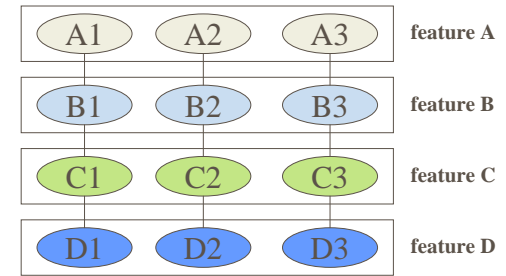
# Collaborations

- Scale “law” to multi-class collaborations



# Collaborations

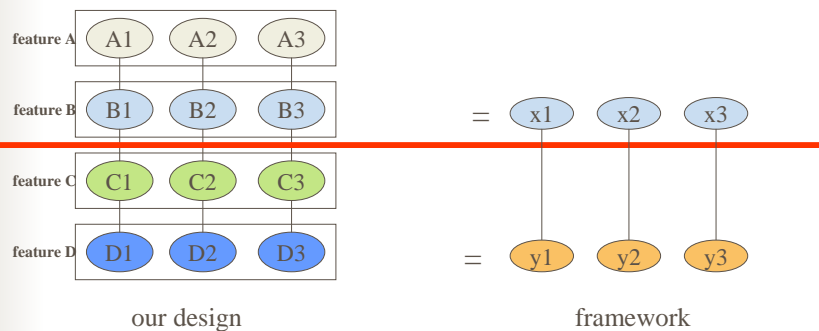
- Each collaboration is a “layer” or “feature”



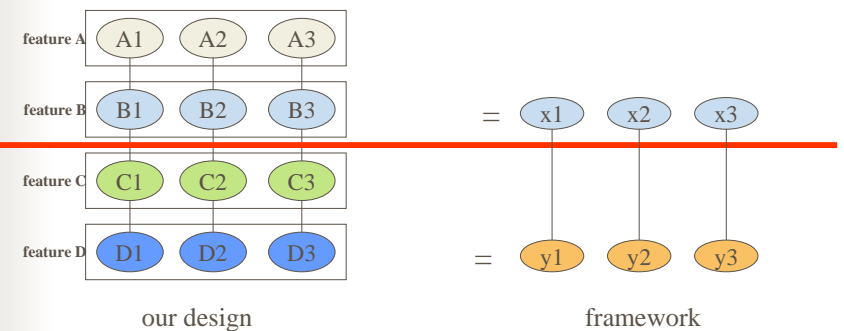
app = D( C( B( A )))

# Solution to Framework Problem

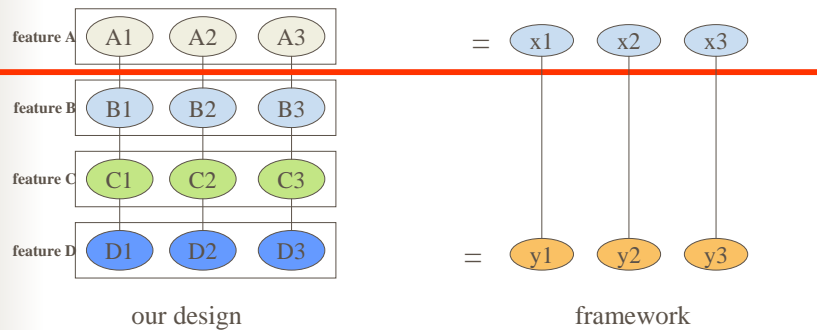
- Look how frameworks are interpreted here – abstract above horizontal line, concrete below



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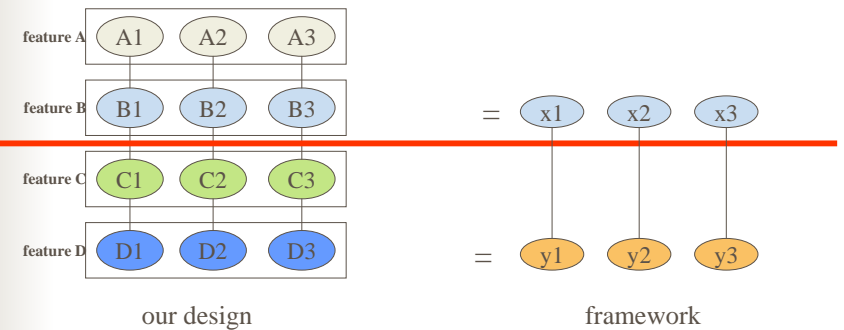


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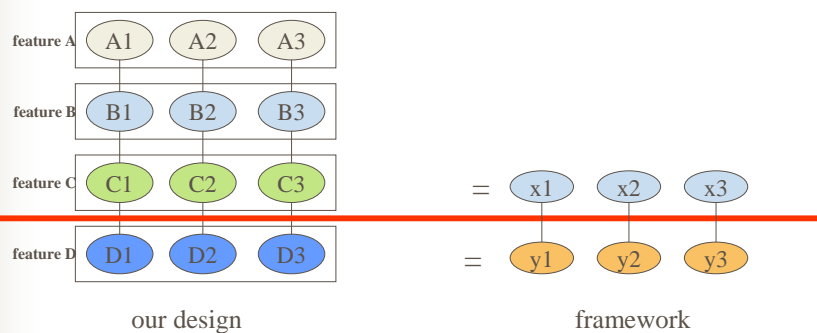
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## Placing Line is arbitrary!



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## Placing Line is arbitrary!



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## In the Paper...

- Show that collaborations are building blocks of:
  - abstract classes of frameworks
  - concrete classes of framework instances
- Abstract/concrete line always drawn horizontally
  - because framework, instance always implements an integral number of “features”
  - if they weren't integral, then every framework instance would have the same code (to fill in the part of the feature that was missing)

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## Example

### ■ Graph Product Line Domain

- different applications implement different graph traversal algorithms/applications
- our building blocks:

```
undirected  -- undirected graph
directed    -- directed graph
dft( x )    -- depth-first traversal
bft( x )    -- breadth-first traversal
number( x ) -- vertex numbering
cycle( x )  -- cycle checking
```

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## Product-Line

### ■ derives from different compositions

```
app1 = number( dft( undirected ) )
app2 = cycle( bft( directed ) )
app3 = cycle( dft( directed ) )
app4 = number( cycle( dft( directed ) ) )
...
```

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## Frameworks

### ■ A framework is an (inner) expression

```
frame1 = dft( directed )
```

```
app4 = number( cycle( frame1 ) )
app1 = number( frame1 )
```

- Framework is expression
- Instances are expressions with same inner expression

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## Code Replication in Frameworks

### ■ Framework #1:

```
frame1 = dft( directed )
```

### ■ Framework#1 instances

```
inst11 = number( frame1 )
inst12 = cycle( frame1 )
inst13 = number( cycle( frame1 ) )
```

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## Framework Proliferation

- Framework #2:

```
frame1 = dft( directed )  
frame2 = dft( undirected )
```

- note: replicated code (dft)

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## In the Paper...

- We demonstrate freedom to mix-and-match optional features using collaborations
- Building blocks of abstract classes of frameworks as well as the concrete classes of framework instances can be synthesized from primitive and reusable collaborations
- Show corresponding framework – where ever the “line” is drawn – leads to problems outlined earlier

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## Conclusions

- Frameworks seem ideal for PLA because they encapsulate reusable code in abstract classes
  - fail miserably in common case of optional features
- Reason: frameworks based on inflexible design where relationship between common and application-specific code is fixed
  - using layers provides a more flexible solution

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## Lecture 2b: Design Rule Checking

how to validate compositions of refinements automatically

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## Introduction

- Fundamental problem: not all syntactically correct equations are semantically correct
  - code can still be generated!
  - and maybe code will still compile!
  - and maybe code will appear to run for a while!
  - impossible for users to determine what went wrong!

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## Introduction

- Absolute necessity to validate compositions automatically
  - not all features are compatible
  - selection of a feature may enable others, disable others
- **Design Rules** are domain-specific constraints that identify illegal compositions
- **Design Rule Checking (DRC)** is process of automatically applying design rules

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## But wait!!

- What's wrong with normal type checking?
- Assign types to constants, functions?

$$S = \{ y, z, w \}$$
$$R = \{ g(x:S), h(x:S), i(x:R) \}$$

- Ensure that all equations are type correct...

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## Type Checking Not Sufficient!!

- Recall relationship between grammars/sentences and product-lines/equations
- Type checking corresponds to **syntax checking**
  - just because your Java program is syntactically correct doesn't mean that it is semantically correct
  - we need MORE than syntax checking!
- Validation of compositions additionally requires testing semantic constraints
  - that's what DRC is all about

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## Overview

- DRC is no different than semantic checking performed by compilers
  - not all syntactically correct Java programs are semantically correct...
  - solution: use attribute grammars to define constraints
- Same here: GenVoca model is a grammar
  - **design rules** are grammar attributes
  - DRC algorithms propagate attribute values up and down parse (equation) trees and evaluate constraint predicates

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## Motivating Example: P3

- Generator of **container data structures (CDS)**
- Extended Java to have embedded **domain-specific language (DSL)** for CDS
  - declarative specs that treat containers as database relations
  - container implementations are composition of P3 components

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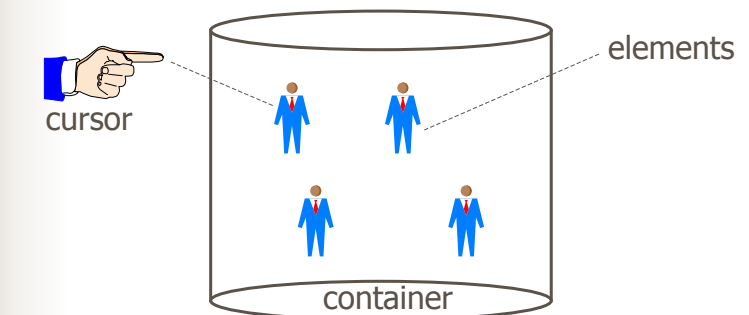
## P3 Model

```
ds = {    bintree( x:ds )    // binary tree
        dlist( x:ds )     // unordered list
        odlist( x:ds )    // ordered list
        avail( x:ds )     // free-list manager
        array( x:mem )    // sequential storage
        malloc( x:mem )   // random storage
        inbetween( x:ds ) // common delete code
        markdelete( x:ds ) // logical delete elements
        ...               // many more ....
    }

mem = {    transient      // in-memory storage
          persistent    // memory-mapped
    }
```

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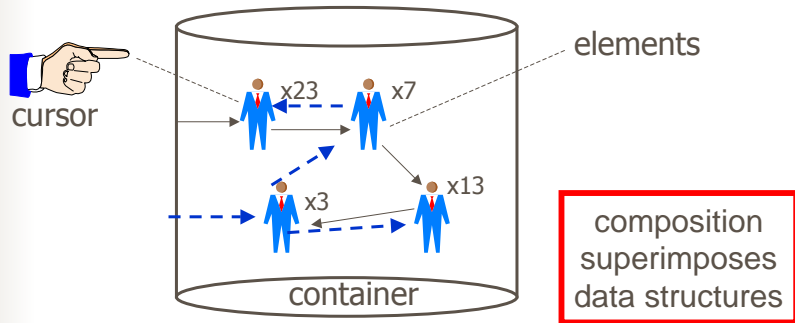
## Data Structures are Equations



container\_eqn =

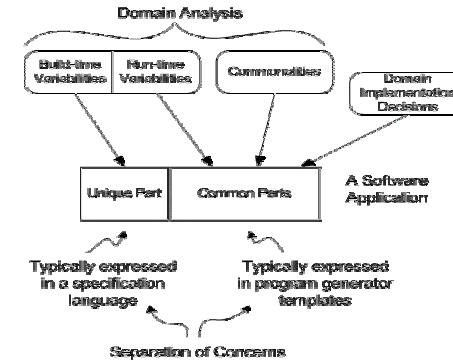
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# Data Structures are Equations



```
container_eqn = bintree( odlist( malloc ) )
```

# Perspective: Cleaveland's Talk



# Construction by Refinement

- Simultaneous refinement of multiple types



# P3 Specifications extend Java

## Containers

- empcont is generated container class of emp instances
- odlist( age, malloc() ) defines its implementation

```
container empcont<emp> using odlist( age, malloc(transient));
```

## Cursors

- few is a generated cursor class over empcont containers
- instances retrieve specified container elements

```
cursor few( empcont e ) where dept() = "Computer Science"
orderby -age;
```

## In Principle...

- Providing declarative, relational database-like specifications for:
  - containers and customized container implementations
  - retrieval (SQL select, update, delete) statements
  - greatly simplifies data structure programming
- And P3 does the hard work:
  - performs query optimization
  - generates efficient code...

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## P3 (Cont)

- Generates HUGE libraries
  - dwarfs any standard container structure library
  - create useful structures not found in any library
    - with n data structure layers
    - 4 different memory layouts (rand/seq, trans/persist)
    - $2^{(2+n)}$  different structures (ignoring key parameters)
    - $\gg 2^{(2+n)}$  different structures with key parameters

```
bintree( bintree( bintree( malloc( transient ) ) ) )  
key A      key B      key C
```

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## Efficient too!

	Dlist	Bstree	Rbtree	Hash
JDK	82.3	N/A	N/A	8.2
CAL	117.4	19.4	17.3	13.5
JGL	116.9	N/A	N/A	8.1
Pizza	99.2	N/A	N/A	8.7
<b>P3</b>	<b>74.9</b>	<b>13.8</b>	<b>12.8</b>	<b>7.9</b>

See: Batory, Thomas, and Sirkin. **Reengineering a Complex Application Using a Scalable Data Structure Compiler**. ACM SIGSOFT 1994.

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## Need for DRC

- Typical equations reference from 5 – 15 layers
  - earlier examples were simplified
- Too elaborate to validate by inspection
  - even I can't remember them and I wrote these layers!
- Some layers have obscure rules for their use
  - look at an example...

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## Example Design Rules

- `inbetween( x:ds )` encapsulates:
  - algorithms shared by all data structures (`bintree`, `dlist`, ...)
  - positioning of cursor after element is deleted
- Correct usage requires
  - one copy in eqn with 1+ data structures AND
  - precedes all such data structures in equation

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## Example P3 Design Rules

correct = ... `inbetween( ... dlist( bintree(...) ) )`  
incorrect = ... `dlist( ... inbetween( bintree(...) ) )`

- Such rules should not be borne by programmers
  - too easy to forget and be misapplied

Want rules to be tested automatically

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## Software Architecture Results

- Perry's Inscape (1989) is environment for managing evolution of software
  - **light semantics**: obligations and consistency checking
  - components have pre-, post-conditions, obligations
- **bank loan example**
- **Obligations** are conditions that must be satisfied by system that uses the component
  - beyond type checking – requires “action-at-a-distance”
    - predicates nonlocally satisfied
  - propagated to enclosing module where they are eventually satisfied by some postcondition

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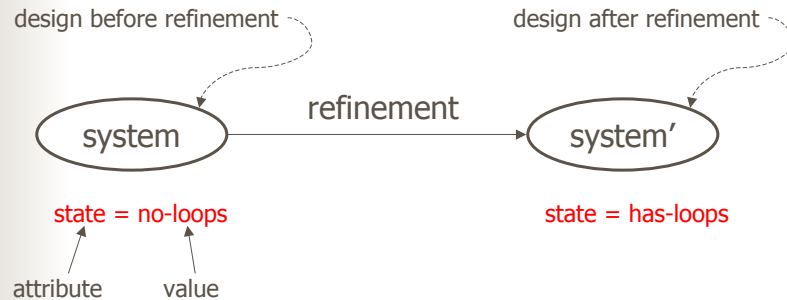
## Inscape (Cont)

- Full-fledged verification not attempted
  - primitive predicates declared (but informally defined)
  - pre-, post-, obligations expressed using primitives
  - practical and powerful form of “shallow” consistency checking using pattern matching and simple deductions

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## DRC: Adapt Inscape to Layers

- DRC models state of equation design
  - not states of system execution



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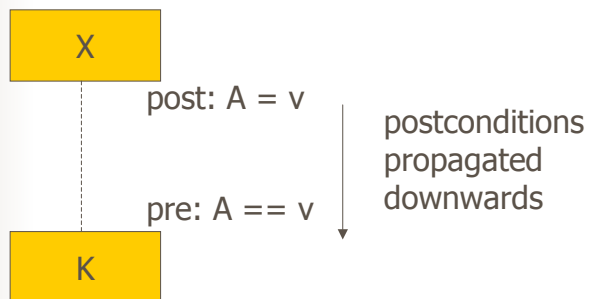
## DRC: Adapt Inscape to Layers

- Preconditions and obligations of layer K are satisfied “at-a-distance” by layers either (far) below K or (far) above K
  - constraints typically not satisfied by adjacent layers (c.f. Goguen, Tracz, Sitaraman)
  - properties exported to “higher” layers not the same as those exported to “lower” layers
  - leads to 2 kinds of design rules

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## #1: Preconditions

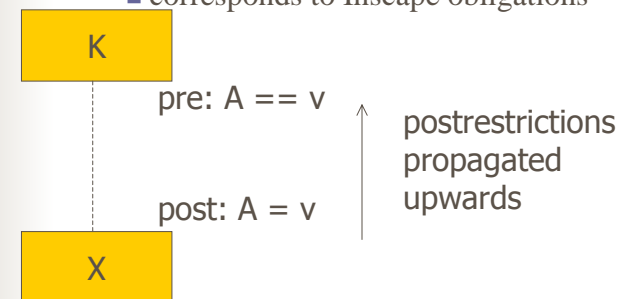
- for layer usage



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## #2: Prerestrictions

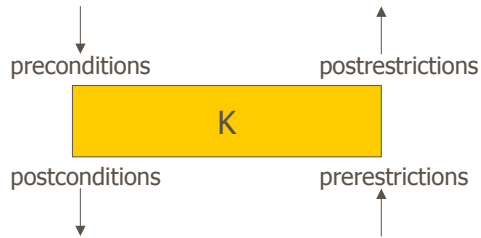
- Preconditions for parameter instantiation
  - corresponds to Inscape obligations



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## DRC Basics

- Layers have:



- DRC involves:

- **top-down** propagation of postconditions and testing of layer preconditions
- **bottom-up** propagation of postrestrictions and testing of layer parameter prerestrictions

- Basically very simple....

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## DRC Attributes and Predicates

- 3-value logic: attribute represents property whose value is:

- asserted
- negated
- no information

- Predicates are conjunctions:

- $A \wedge B$                       properties A and B are asserted
- $\neg A \wedge B$                     property A is negated, B asserted

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## Condition Propagation Operator

- Postconditions, existing conditions specified by simple predicates

- Predicate composition operator  $\oplus$

- **Existing** is  $\neg A \wedge B$
- **Post** is A
- **Post  $\oplus$  Existing** = conditions after composition
- $(A) \oplus (\neg A \wedge B) = (A \wedge B)$

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## Condition Testing

- Layer can be used if precondition P is satisfied

- **E** is existing condition
- test:  $E \Rightarrow P$

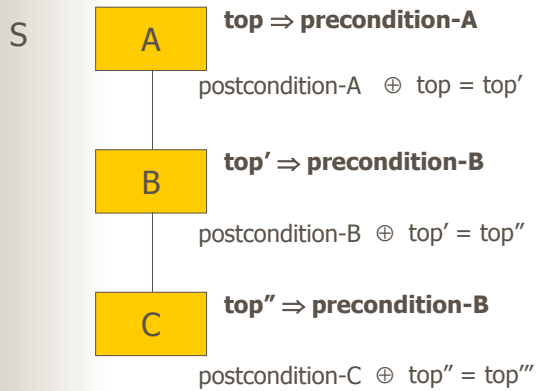
- Example:

- $E = \neg A \wedge B$
- $P = \neg A$
- $E \Rightarrow P$  is satisfied
- implemented easily by property lists...

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# Top-Down DRC

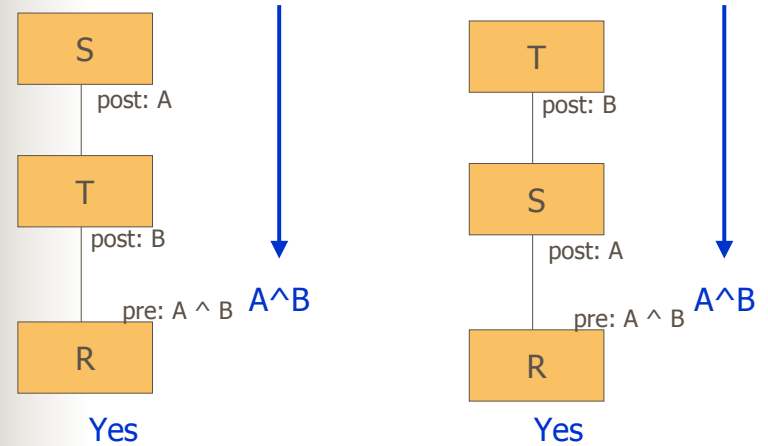
top -- initial conditions for composition S



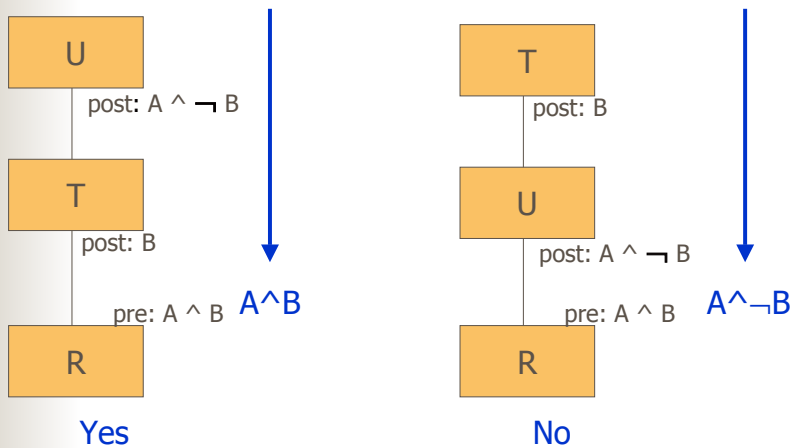
postconditions propagated by  $\oplus$

preconditions tested by  $\Rightarrow$   
 simple recursive algorithm for top-down DRC

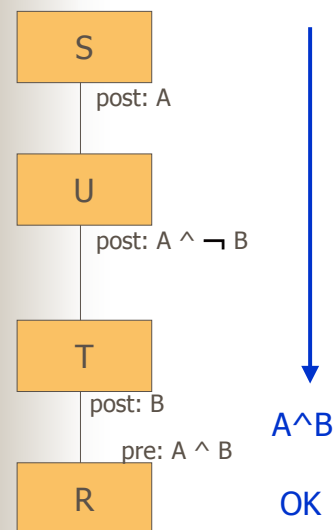
# Is Composition Valid?



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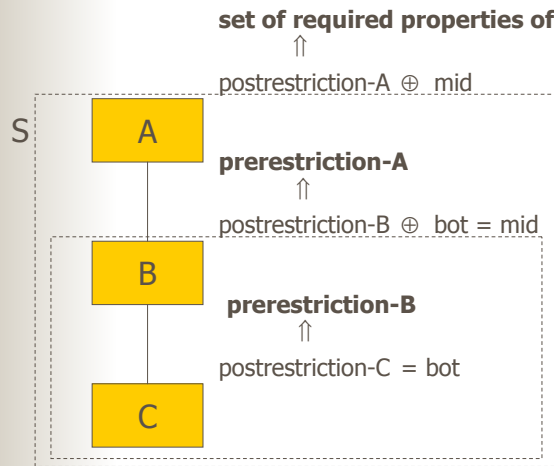


# Is Composition Valid?



- Simple recursive algorithm for top-down propagation of conditions and testing preconditions
- Experience: all domains we've seen are like this
- Simple predicates
- Simple inferences
- **Don't need nuclear-powered theorem provers**

## Bottom-Up DRC

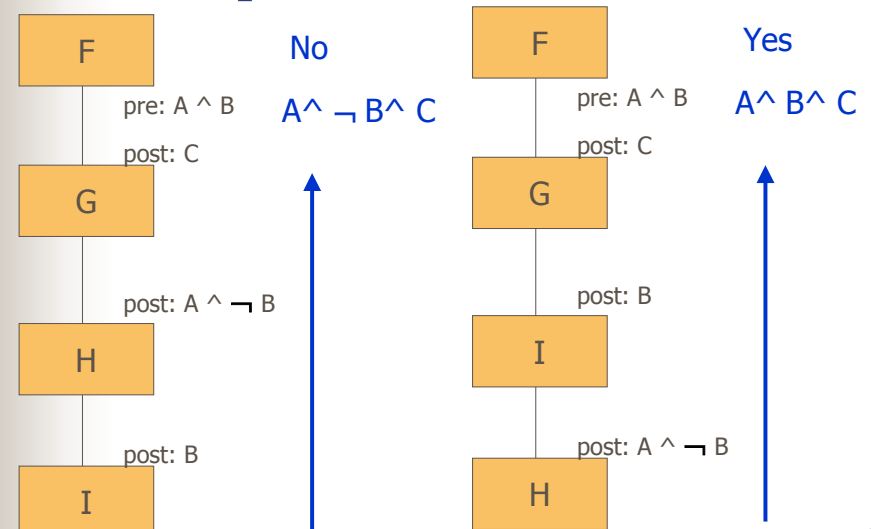


same set of operators as before  $\oplus, \Rightarrow$

simple recursive algorithm for bottom-up DRC

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## Is Composition Valid?



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## Attribute Grammars

- McAllester observed **attribute grammars** unify realms, attributes, DRC algorithms
  - realms of layers are grammars
  - states of program design modeled by attributes
  - postconditions are inherited attributes (values determined by ancestors above)
  - postrestrictions are synthesized attributes (values determined by descendants below)

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## Implementation Notes

- Straightforward implementation – 1500 loc
- DRC algorithm is efficient:  $O(mn)$ 
  - $m$  = # of attributes
  - $n$  = # of layers

Domain	#Realms	#Layers	#Attributes
Genesis (databases)	9	52	14
FSATS	1	25	41
P3 (data structure)	3	50	7

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## Design Rule File for P3

```

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  require above { inbetween }
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array( mem ) : ds {
  require above { mark_delete } // mark-delete layer required above array
  assert above { retrieval }    // assert array is retrieval layer
  assert below { retrieval }    // to all descendants and ancestors
}

```

signature

design rules

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## Big Picture – DRC Composition

```

bintree( ds ) : ds {
  assert above { retrieval logical_key }
  require above { inbetween }
}

```

DRC for bintree(array(x)):

```

bintree-array( mem ) : ds {
  assert above { retrieval logical_key }
  require above { inbetween,
                mark_delete }
  assert below { retrieval }
}

```

```

array( mem ) : ds {
  require above { mark_delete }

  assert above { retrieval }
  assert below { retrieval }
}

```

Composition algorithms  
specific to DRC representations

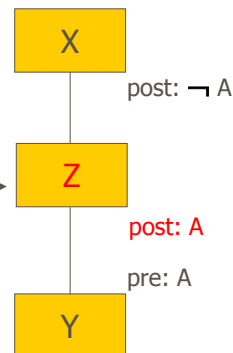
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## Suggesting Error Corrections

- Besides detecting errors, DRC algorithms can suggest repairs

- precondition ceilings of Inscape

add Z



- Error located in between X and Y

- Similar technique for prerestrictions

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## Example

- Want container that stores elements onto a binary tree whose nodes are stored sequentially in transient memory.  
1<sup>st</sup> try:

```

first = top2ds( bintree( array( transient ) ) )

```

mark\_delete

inbetween

qualification

- DRC response:

precondition errors:

an **inbetween** layer is expected between top2ds and bintree  
a **mark\_delete** layer is expected between top2ds and array

prerestriction error:

top2ds expects a subsystem with a **qualification** layer

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## Example (Cont)

- Clumsy fix:

```
second = top2ds( inbetween( bintree( qualify(
    mark-delete( array( transient ) ) ) ) ) ) )
```

- DRC response

```
precondition error:
  a retrieval layer (bintree) not expected above qualify
```

- Correct equation – swap qualify and bintree

```
third = top2ds( inbetween( qualify( bintree(
    mark-delete( array( transient ) ) ) ) ) ) )
```

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## Insights

- DRC directs users to modify eqn to the “nearest” correct eqn in space of all eqns
  - generally is what you want
- Why isn't DRC a challenging problem in program verification?
  - solution unlikely to be automatable, forget about efficiency
- Inscope work and our own have observed
  - problem is straightforward
  - solution is automatable AND efficient! but WHY?

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## Reason #1

- #1: Shallow consistency checking goes long way
- Most design errors are shallow
  - conjecture: all errors at layer/refinement composition level are shallow
- Remaining errors must be dealt with by layer (refinement) implementers

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## Reasons #2, #3

- #2: Modeling states of program design (not execution) vastly reduces number of properties to examine
- #3: GenVoca is a methodology for creating reusable designs as refinements
  - it **really** works well

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## The Key

- What makes OO designs so powerful and attractive?
  - Ans: ability to manage and control software complexity
- **Standardization** is a powerful way of managing and controlling software complexity in product-lines

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## The Key (Cont)

- **Standardization** makes problems tractable that would otherwise be very difficult
  - ex: composing COTS components (Garlan's Architectural Mismatch paper)
  - composition is simple in GenVoca
  - standardization seems to limit the ways in which refinements can constrain each other's behavior
    - makes DRC tractable
  - historical perspective... (eigenvectors)

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## Additional Insights

- Understanding software in terms of implementation-independent refinements:
  - enhances power of DRC
  - DRC tells you whether two refinements (features) can be composed **regardless of how they are implemented**
    - ex: `bintree(encrypt(...))` may be correct
    - ex: `encrypt(bintree(...))` is never correct
  - design rules define the compatibility of features
  - if it was harder, architects couldn't design, people couldn't program...

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## Recap of DRC

- Fundamental problem in architectures is consistency of component compositions
- Simple, automatic, and efficient algorithms for validating consistency of GenVoca equations
  - GenVoca models are grammars
  - design rules are attributes of this grammar
    - express semantic compositional constraints
  - DRC worked well in every domain we've encountered...

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## Assignment

- Try example problem in back of notes!!

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Questions??

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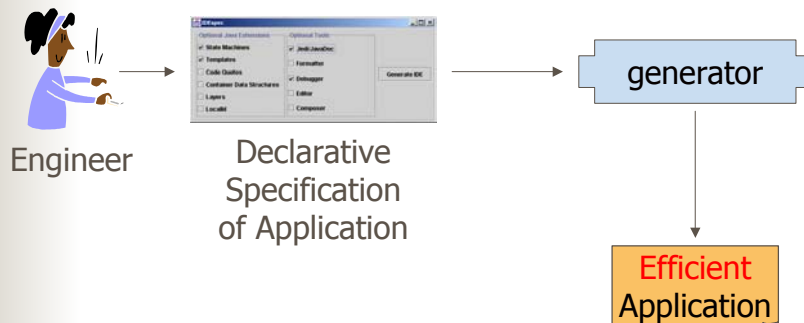
## Lecture 2c: Design Wizards

Resurrecting  
Automatic  
Programming

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## Automatic Programming

- Holy grail of Software Engineering,  
Artificial Intelligence



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## Perspective

- Domain-specific generators like P3 will be common
  - specify application by declaratively listing required features
  - no code to write!
- A user of this technology is confronted with:
  - generator, well-stocked library of layers, features
  - papers, results demonstrate power of approach
  - benchmarks on how much better it is than hand-written code...
- But...

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## Problems Arise Quickly...

- What to do next...?  
How to solve my problems?
  - need help in selecting features/layers
  - need expert guidance in application design
    - generators don't help us here...
    - also problems inherent in software design anyway

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## Fundamental Problems

- Designers generally don't have full knowledge of application's use
  - P3 – will know queries (from cursor declarations), but not frequency of execution
  - need to guess at actual workload
- Even if workload is known, can be challenging to infer efficient design
  - example...

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## Guess the Best Data Structure!

- Easy if workload is simple:
  - access elements that satisfy query:  $N = = \text{value}$
- Hard for slightly more complex workloads:
  - 20,000 elements
  - 3000 elements inserted/deleted per period
  - $N = = \text{value1} \ \&\& \ A = = \text{value2}$  : 2000 times per period
  - all elements retrieved in S order : 60 times per period
  - what data structure would be best?

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## Manual Solutions Costly

- Cycle:

```
graph TD; A[collect statistics] --> B[optimize design]; B --> C[rewrite application]; C --> A;
```
  - requires lots of sophisticated programmer support
  - very costly
  - few cycles ever performed
- “if it isn't broke, don't fix it...”

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## Future Solution: Automation

- Automate steps and close loop
  - program monitors itself
  - program initiates self-evaluation, self-optimization
  - program initiates self-regeneration

*self-adaptive software*

- **Design Wizard** is tool that performs this optimization

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## Optimization of Equations

- We express application design and implementation as an equation:

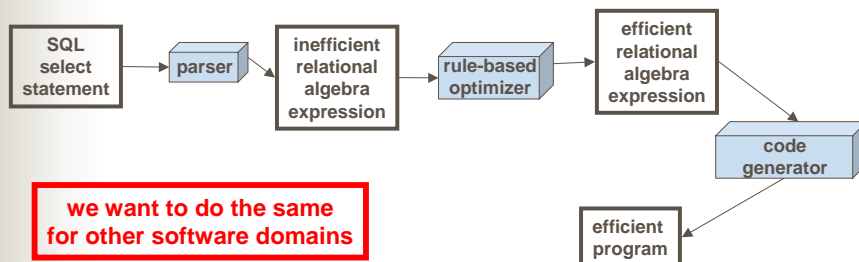
$$\text{application} = a( b( c ) )$$

- How to deduce an efficient equation for a given workload?
  - knowledge typically not present in domain models
  - not same as “design rules”
  - want **rules for optimization**, not **rules for correctness**

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## Relational Query Optimization

- Classic example of automatic programming:
  - declarative query is mapped to an expression
  - each expression represents a unique program
  - expression is optimized using rewrite rules
  - efficient program generated from expression



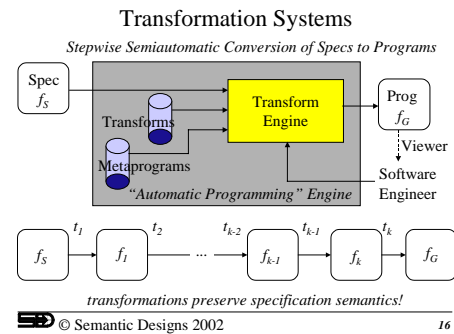
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## Use Same Paradigm In Other Domains!

- **P3 is a case study**
    - space of all equations given by P3 model + design rules
    - must additional information:
      - develop cost model that estimates efficiency of design (equation) for given workload
      - rewrite rules tell us WHEN to use particular layers/features
- odlist( x ) ⇒ bintree( x )**  
; replace ordered doubly-linked list with bintree  
; if both random and ordered key access are needed
- search space for equation that is the cheapest

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## Perspective: Baxter's Talk



$$T_2(T_1(x)) \Rightarrow T_0(x)$$

$$F_g = T_k( \dots T_3(T_2( T_1( F_s ) ) \dots )$$

$$F'_g = T_k( \dots T_3( T_0( F_s ) ) \dots )$$

My “rewrite rules” are on the above equation

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## Perspective

- Proposing a theory of software architecture design based on large scale refinements
- If application designs truly are equations, we should be able to optimize them
- If we can optimize equations, we can achieve a level of automatic programming

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## Upcoming Slides

- Show how automatic programming is possible
- Design Wizard for P3
  - P3 Workload Specifications
  - Cost Model
  - Space of P3 Equations
  - Automatic Optimization of Equations
  - Automatic Critique
  - Conclusions

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## P3 Workload Specification

- Data structure optimization well-studied
  - relational DB optimization
  - late '70s and early '80s research
- Workload characterized by:
  - type and cardinality of element attributes
  - frequency of each cursor & container operation

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## P3 Workload Specification

cardinality = 10000;

element = {

#	ID	TYPE	CARDINALITY
#-----			
	name	String	10000;
	age	int	60;

workload = {

#	CATEGORY	FREQUENCY
#-----		
	insertion	300;
	deletion	300;
	ret orderby name	100;
	ret where name == "Don" && age > 20 orderby age	200;

Equation = odlist(age, malloc());

starting equation

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## Performance Model

- Given equation E and workload W:  
how do we compute cost(E,W)?

- assign a "rank" to evaluate equations

- Ans: create a performance model for each layer

- foreach layer L, we have performance model  $L_p$
- given equation

$$E = X(Y(Z))$$

we **compose** its **performance model**

$$E_p = X_p(Y_p(Z_p))$$

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## Big Picture

- Following slides:
  - illustrate traditional approach to performance modeling in databases, data structures
  - different domains have their own approach, techniques for performance modeling which would require their own adaptation to this organization
  - case study to show how to compose performance models in domain of data structures

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## Performance Model

- Follows classical database research

- sum of costs of processing each cursor, container operation times frequency of execution

$$Cost(E, W) = I(E) \times InsFreq + D(E) \times DelFreq +$$

$$\sum_{i \in W} (U(E, Field_i) \times UpdFreq_i) + \sum_{i \in W} (R(E, Ret_i) \times RetFreq_i)$$

- now how to compute I(E), D(E), ... ?

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## Performance Model (Cont)

- Computed per equation E

$$I(E) = \sum_{i \in E} \text{insertionCost}(\text{layer}_i)$$

$$D(E) = \sum_{i \in E} \text{deletionCost}(\text{layer}_i)$$

$$U(E, \text{Field}_j) = \sum_{i \in E} \text{updateCost}(\text{layer}_i, \text{Field}_j)$$

$$R(E, \text{Ret}_j) = \text{Min}_{i \in E} (\text{retrieval}(\text{layer}_i, \text{Ret}_j))$$

- What is insertionCost(...) .... per layer?

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## Aspect Performance Model

- Elementary analysis of each data structure
  - cost equation for each operation
  - c is a layer-specific constant

Layers	insertion	deletion	update	equality retrieval	range retrieval	scan retrieval
dlist	c	c	c	c*n	c*n	c*n
rbtree	c*log(n)	c*log(n)	key: c*log(n) non-key: c	key: c*log(n) non-key: c*n	key: c*log(n) non-key: c*n	c*n
hash	c	c	key: c non-key: c	key: c(n/b) non-key: c*n	c*n	c*n

- Now, how to find a good equation E??

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## Space of P3 Equations

- P3 layers characterized by 3 kinds of attributes:
  - properties – classify layers/features
  - signatures – specify realm membership, parameters
  - design rules – composition constraints
- Design Rule File (previously shown) specifies all of this

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## Design Rule File (again)

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```

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## Space of P3 Equations

- Graph  $G = \{ V, A \}$ 
  - $V$  is set of valid equations that can be composed with given layers
  - $A$  is set of arcs – connects equation  $x$  with  $y$  if there is a rewrite rule that transforms  $x$  into  $y$
- So what are the rewrite rules?

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## Rewrite Rules

- Derived from analysis of personal use
  - we analyzed our own thought patterns to deduce equational rewrite rules for the P3 model
- When rewrite is attempted:
  - resulting equation had to be valid
  - cost of resulting equation was unchanged or lowered
  - if both hold, result is kept
  - greedy search heuristic ...

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## Example Rules

- Some rewrites about element attributes
  - if element attribute  $A$  is listed as an order-by key in the workload specification, then try to insert a `logical_key` layer (e.g., `rbtree` or `ordered-list`) with  $A$  as its key
  - else
  - try to replace the `logical_key` layer with  $A$  as its key with a more efficient `logical_key` layer
- Note: we use design rule file to identify layers that assert `logical_key` property

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## Another Rewrite Rule

- If element attribute  $A$  is used in an equality retrieval predicate (e.g., `A == 'Don'`) then try to insert a `hash_key` layer with  $A$  as its key
- else
- if there already exists such a layer, try to substitute it with a more efficient `hash_key` layer

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## Optimization

### ■ Run to fix-point

```
foreach element attribute A {
  apply each "attribute growth" rewrite for A
}
```

```
apply each "non-attribute growth" rewrite
apply each "shrink" rewrite
```

### ■ Guarantees finding a local minimum

### ■ No guarantees for global minimum

- general problem is NP-hard

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## P3 Workload Specification

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```

```
element = {
```

```
#      ID      TYPE      CARDINALITY
#-----
```

```
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      age     int      60;
```

```
}
```

```
workload = {
```

```
#      CATEGORY      FREQUENCY
#-----
```

```
insertion          300;
deletion           300;
ret orderby name   100;
ret where name == "Don" && age > 20 orderby age 200;
```

```
}
```

```
Equation = odlist(age, malloc());
```

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## Critique

```
Original Equation is: odlist(age, malloc( ))
cost = 19593
```

```
Equation P3 Wizard recommends is :
```

```
hashcmp(name, hash(name,5000, odlist(name, malloc( )))
cost = 1606
```

```
Projected improvement: 1119%
```

```
Reasons why we choose this type equation:
```

```
hashcmp: field name is hashed because it will be faster to
compare the values of two string fields when they are hashed.
```

```
hash: A hash data structure with hash key name is used because
11% of the operations involve equality retrieval on name.
```

```
odlist: A doubly linked list ordered by name is used because
many retrievals will be ordered by name.
```

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## Analysis

### ■ Original container implementation inefficient

- store elements on list in age order

### ■ Suggested design:

- fast access to elements via name using hashing
- elements stored on list in name order
- using hashcmp where predicates like name="Don" are replaced with hash\_of\_name=hash("Don") ^ name="Don" speeds up searches

### ■ Suggested design is not immediately obvious

- tedious to implement by hand
- easy for P3 to do it

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## Big Picture

- Equation synthesis is precursor to self-adaptive software
  - wizards will be critical in “closing” the loop that will help automate certain forms of software maintenance
- Not all users of generators will be domain-experts
  - wizards will help avoid blunders, find better implementations of target systems automatically

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## Conclusions

- First example of Design Wizard
  - can be generalized to other domains
    - typically uncommon – most domains have only one implementation of a feature, so there’s little to optimize
    - in principle, it always arises when there are multiple implementations of a feature
  - **substantial** improvement over previous work (ex. SETL, AP5, Mitoma’s Optimizer)


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## Perspective: Baxter’s Talk

- I disagree!
- Counter examples
  - Relational optimizers
  - Data Structure Design Wizard
- Why?
  - possible to find abstraction level for specifications that can be implemented automatically – collaborations/features
  - level at which architects reason

### Fully Automatic Programming? NO!

- Problems:
  - Impossible to find abstraction level for specifications that can always be implemented automatically (Gödel’s incompleteness theorem)
  - Unsuitable notation to describe problem (who implements the AP engine for “my” problem domain?)
  - Limited control over performance of implementation (why does the  $\epsilon$ -test on sets need linear time in the size of the set?) (why doesn’t yacc produce COBOL code?)
- Solution:
  - Use highly configurable semi-automatic engine

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## Conclusions

- Self-adaptive software is important topic
  - adding more automation to generative programming
  - attempt to have software maintain itself
  - we’ve shown relationship of self-adaptive software to generators and equation-rewriting technologies
  - start on a promising line of research

Kysymyksiä?

Questions??

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## Lecture #3: Scaling Refinements

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## Lecture 3a: The AHEAD Model

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## Requests from Yesterday...

- Want to see real examples
- Want to see future directions
  - this is how we are building FSATS
  - how we now view the world of software... (significantly altered my understanding of my own work...)
  - first presentation of these ideas outside Austin
- Want to see architectural models
- Want to see tools...

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## State of Art

- Emphasis on application synthesis using refinements focuses largely on generation of:
  - source code
  - individual programs
  - a GenVoca eqn = source code for single application
- Code synthesis alone inadequate for building complex systems of today and those of tomorrow
  - scale to multiple programs
  - systems are program suites – client-servers, MS Office
  - scale to multiple representations
  - code, makefiles, documentation, performance models,...

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# Scaling Refinements & Generators

- Challenge is **not** HOW
  - lots of ad hoc ways to do this
  - challenge do so in principled manner, so that generators are not ad hoc collection of tools and a patch work of techniques
- Generators are technological proof
  - that software in a domain has been simplified to point that its development can be automated
- Don't want complexity to shift from systems that are generated, to generators themselves
  - **controlling the complexity of generators, like the systems they produce, is a fundamental problem**

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# This Lecture

- Presents two fundamental results on refinement scalability and modularity:
  - **AHEAD** – **A**lgebraic **H**ierarchical **E**quations for **A**pplication **D**esign
    - architectural model and tool suite for scaling refinements to multiple representations, programs
  - **AHEAD** tool demonstration
  - Scaling Refinements to Product Families
    - scaling to multiple programs

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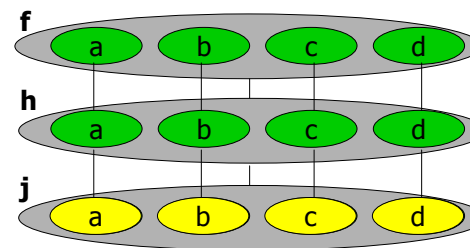
# Preliminaries

core problems that motivate a generalization of GenVoca

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# #1: Code Representation

- Engineers, Programmers: this is weird...



Always instantiate bottom-most classes; never intermediaries

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## #1: Code Representation

- What engineers want is this:

Generate only bottom-most classes; never intermediaries

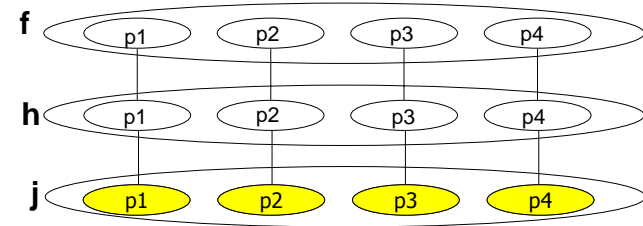


Flatten refinement hierarchies!

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## #2: Scale to Refinements to Multiple Programs

- How to express that a single refinement modifies (cross-cuts) multiple programs
  - briefly....



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## #2: Scale Refinements to Multiple Programs

- More complicated than this...
- "Origami" is an extension of GenVoca that solves this problem
- Talk about later if time...
  - AHEAD subsumes Origami

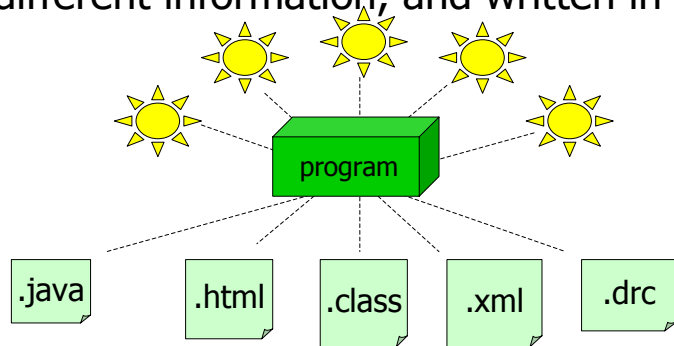
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## #3: Non-Code Representations

- Architects use multiple models to design systems
  - fact: no single representation is adequate to capture all information about a design
    - can't express everything in Java
  - fact: different documents/artifacts capture different information or concerns
    - manuals, code, makefiles, performance models, etc.
    - each is expressed in its own DSL (HTML, XML, Java, DRC...)
- Generate non-code representations... but how?

## Recall Insight

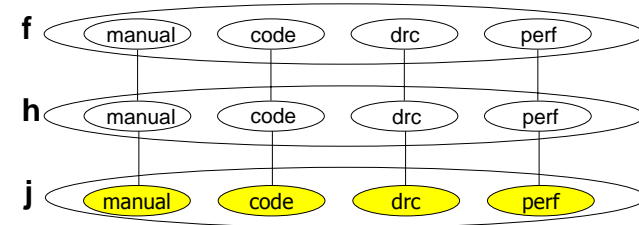
- Each program representation captures different information, and written in a **DSL**



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## Recall Insight

- When a feature is added to a program, all of its representations may be modified
  - recent Ph.D. by Jeff Gray @ Vanderbilt



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## We've done this before...

- Design Wizards**
  - from an equation, we compose:
    - design rules (to verify compositions)
    - performance models (to evaluate compositions)
    - code (to generate compositions)
- JTS**
  - from an equation, we compose:
    - grammar files (to generate parser)
    - layers (to generate code for preprocessor)
- But how to compose non-code representations?**
  - what are principles that can guide us?

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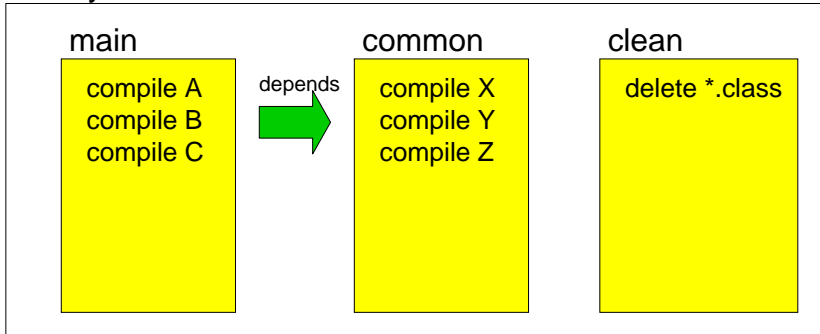
## Example: Makefiles

- Instructions to build parts of a system
- When we synthesize code for a system, we also have to synthesize a makefile for it
- Sounds good, but...
  - what is a refinement of a makefile?
  - how do we compose makefile refinements?

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# Makefile

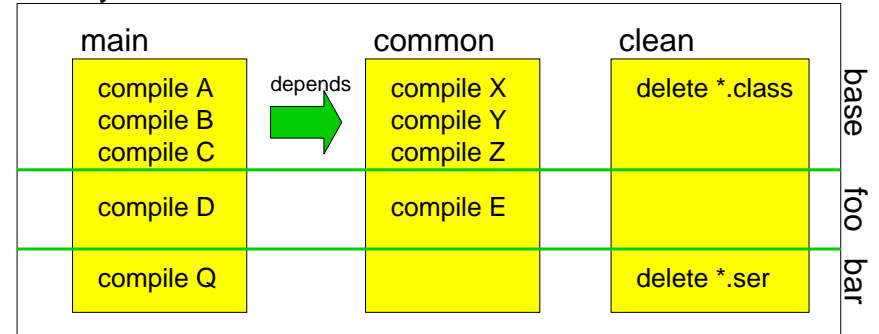
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# Makefile Refinements

mymake



Question: what is a general paradigm for refining non-code artifact types?

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# Makefiles are Classes!

```

<project myMake>
  <target main depends="common">
    <compile A>
    <compile B>
    <compile C>
  </target>
  <target common>
    <compile X>
    <compile Y>
    <compile Z>
  </target>
  ...
</project>

class myMake {
  static void main { ... }
  static void common { ... }
  ...
}
  
```

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# Makefile Refinement is Inheritance!

```

<project myMake>
  <target main depends="common">
    <compile A/>
    <compile B/>
    <compile C/>
  </target>
  <target common>
    <compile X/>
    <compile Y/>
    <compile Z/>
  </target>
  ...
</project>

<subproject myMake>
  <target main>
    <super main/>
    <compile D/>
  </target>
  <target common>
    <super common/>
    <compile E/>
  </target>
  ...
</subproject>
  
```

BASE      FOO

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## Foo ( Base )

```
<project myMake>
  <target main depends="common">
    <compile A/>
    <compile B/>
    <compile C/>
    <compile D/>
  </target>
  <target common>
    <compile X/>
    <compile Y/>
    <compile Z/>
    <compile E/>
  </target>
  ...
</project>
```

added  
as result  
of composition

note: we're flattening  
refinement hierarchies,  
like previous slide...

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## Guiding Principle

- For structuring and refining non-code artifacts
  - create analog in OO representation
  - express refinements in terms of inheritance (could be more sophisticated, but OK for first pass)
  - composition flattens inheritance/refinement hierarchies
- Principle of Artifact Uniformity
  - treat all artifacts equally, as objects or classes
  - refine non-code representations same as code representations

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## Big Picture

- Most artifacts today (HTML, XML, etc.) have **or can have** a class structure and thus are **object-based**
- **Not object-oriented** – there is no inheritance relationship among files
  - what's missing are inheritance (refinement) operators for non-code artifacts
  - should be able to refine **any** kind of artifact
- Requires tools to add inheritance (refinement) relationships among file types
  - not all (e.g. MS Word)

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## #3: Unification

- What is an elegant model that unifies and generalizes these ideas?
  - GenVoca
  - squash refinement chains
  - refine multiple programs (Origami)
  - refine multiple representations
  - Principle of Artifact Uniformity

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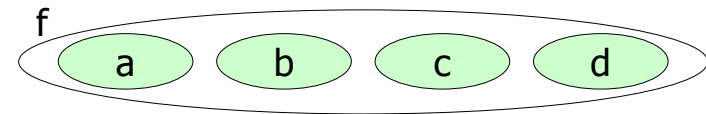
## Core Ideas

**AHEAD**  
Algebraic **H**ierarchical **E**quations  
for **A**rtifact **D**esign

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## Equations

- Every mature science and engineering discipline is driven by equations except software design
  - we can change this...
  - consider GenVoca constants...



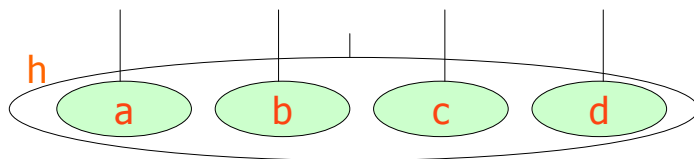
$$f = \{ a, b, c, d \}$$

constant f is  
a set of constants

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## Equations (Cont)

- GenVoca functions are sets too!



$$h = \{ a, b, c, d \}$$

function h is  
a set of  
functions

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## Equations (Cont)

- Composition is governed by equations!

$$\begin{aligned} h \circ f &= \{ a, b, c, d \} \circ \{ a, b, c, d \} \\ &= \{ a \circ a, b \circ b, c \circ c, d \circ d \} \end{aligned}$$

Note:  
shift in  
notation  
 $h(f) = h \circ f$

- Pairwise composition by name
  - exactly same rules as mixin-layer/inheritance composition

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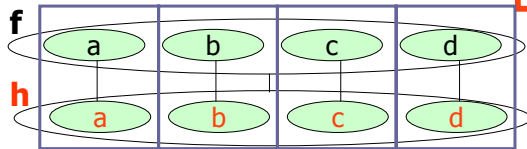


# Equation Semantics

$$h \circ f = \{ a, b, c, d \} \circ \{ a, b, c, d \}$$

$$= \{ a \circ a, b \circ b, c \circ c, d \circ d \}$$

Every expression defines an artifact to build.

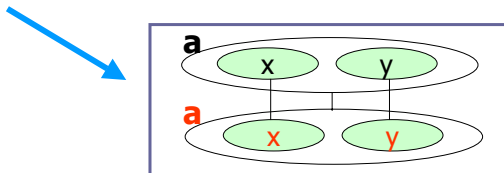
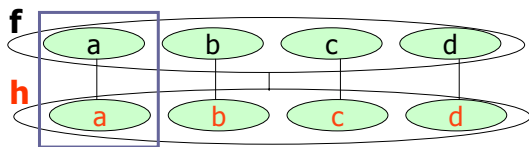


# AHEAD Terminology

- Set is a **collective** of units
- **Unit** is a:
  - constant
  - function
- **Model** is another name for a collective

# Scalability Through Recursion

- Any constant, function may be a collective

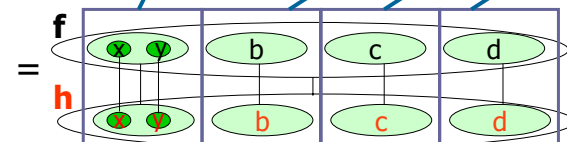


# Expressed Mathematically

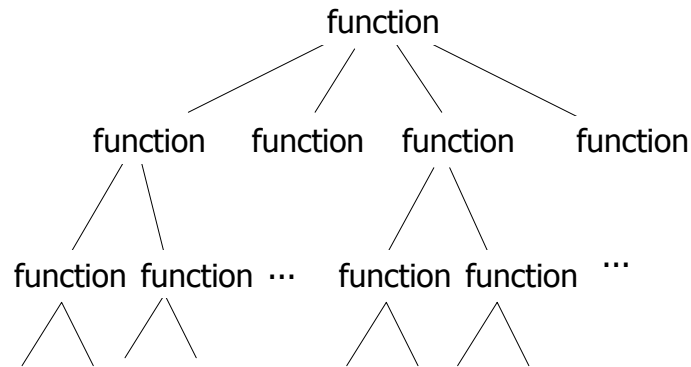
$$h \circ f = \{ a \circ a, \quad b \circ b, c \circ c, d \circ d \}$$

$$= \{ \{ x, y \} \circ \{ x, y \}, b \circ b, c \circ c, d \circ d \}$$

$$= \{ \{ x \circ x, y \circ y \}, b \circ b, c \circ c, d \circ d \}$$



## What Equation Hierarchies Mean



Composing refinements composes all their representations

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## Scalability

- Treat all levels of abstraction the same
  - yields powerful algebra for application specification
- Nest programs arbitrarily deep
  - sets of programs
    - distributed system (FSATS)
  - sets of sets of programs
    - system of systems
- Nest representations arbitrarily deep
  - code libraries
  - document libraries
  - etc
- All represented by hierarchical equations

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## Scalability (Cont)

- There are LOTS of other operators, besides  $\circ$ , for collectives and units
- Collective, unit are objects
  - manipulated by a rich set of methods
  - each method is a tool of IDE
- Rich algebra associated with collectives

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## More Generally

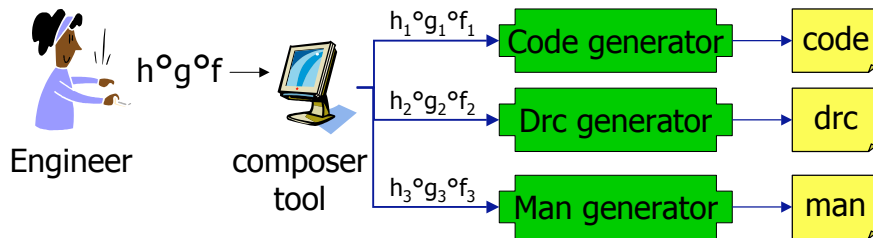
- Expressing mathematically what OO languages do now for refining code
  - GenVoca eqn = code representation of one program
  - AHEAD eqn = multiple representations of multiple programs
- Advance:
  - equations work for **all** representations
  - equations **scale**...
  - **by imposing uniformity, we control the complexity of generators, and systems they generate**

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# Important – Simplifies Tools!

## Generator Scalability

- don't have one big generator
- use simple artifact-specific generators coordinated by a composer that submits equations to them



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# How to Implement AHEAD?

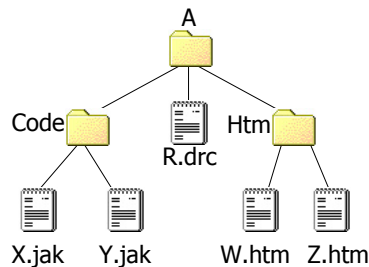
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# Collective = Directory!

$A = \{ \text{Code, R.drc, Htm} \}$

$\text{Code} = \{ \text{X.jak, Y.jak} \}$

$\text{Htm} = \{ \text{W.htm, Z.htm} \}$



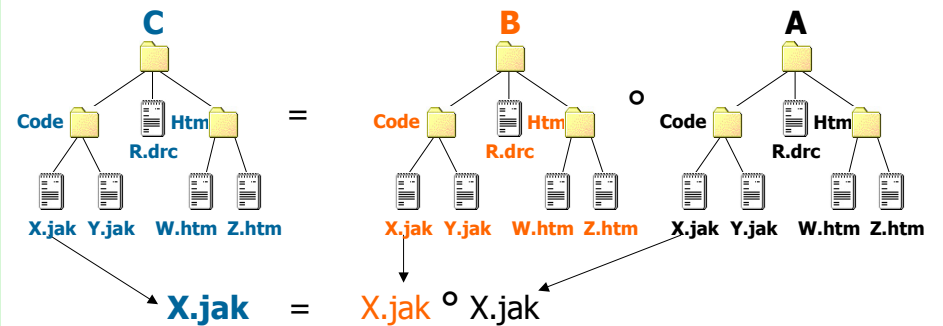
A refinement, and all of its representations, is a directory

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# Composition

## feature composition = directory composition

- produces directory isomorphic to inputs



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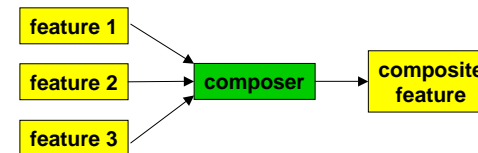
## Tools built using JTS

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## Composer Tool

### Composes Features

- takes equation as command-line input
- internally, recursively expands equations
- creates composite feature directory
- invokes artifact-specific-composition tools



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## Artifact Composition Tools

### Most interesting are .jak tools (next slides)

### For non-.jak files:

- XC – composes .html files
- VM – composes velocity files to produce ant build.xml makefiles
- Equation – composing equation files
- DRC – composing .drc files

### Soon to appear tools:

- Grammar composing tools (to bootstrap JTS)
- MSC – composing message sequence charts
- ...

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## Code Files are .jak Files

### Constant

```
aspect A;  
  
import java.util.*;  
  
class myClass {  
    ...  
    int counter;  
  
    int getCounter() {...}  
  
    public myClass() {...}  
}
```

### Function

```
aspect B;  
  
import foo.bar;  
  
refines myClass {  
    ...  
    int counter2;  
  
    int getCounter2() {...}  
  
    void anotherMethod() {...}  
}
```

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# .jak Files have Embedded DSLs

## Constant

```
aspect A;
import java.util.*;
state_machine example {
  ...
  states s1, s2, s3;
  edge e1: s1 -> s2 ...;
  edge e2: s2 -> s3 ...;
  public example() {...}
}
```

## Function

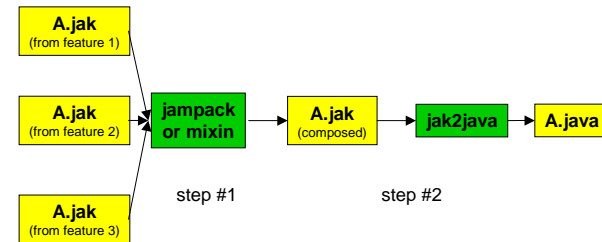
```
aspect B;
import foo.bar;
refines state_machine example {
  states s4;
  edge e3: s3 -> s4 ...;
  void anotherMethod() {...}
}
```

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# .jak Tools

## Composer invokes .jak-specific tools to compose .jak specifications

- two tools now: jampack and mixin
- jak2java translates .jak to .java



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# jampack

## Flattens refinement hierarchies

- takes equation of refinement hierarchy (.jak equation) as input, produces single spec as output
- basically macro expansion with a twist...

```
class top {
  int a;
  void foo() {...}
}
```

o

```
refines class top {
  int b;
  int bar() {...}
}
```



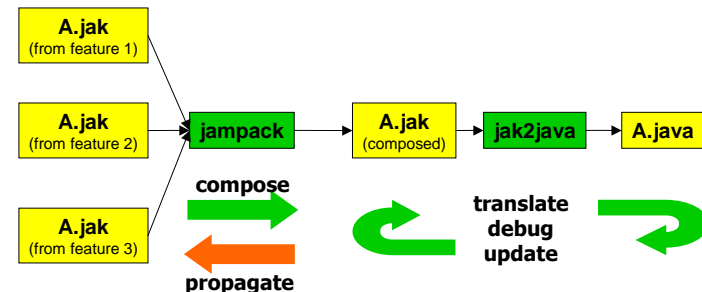
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class top {
  int a;
  int b;
  void foo() {...}
  int bar() {...}
}
```

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# jampack (Cont)

## jampack may not be composition tool of choice

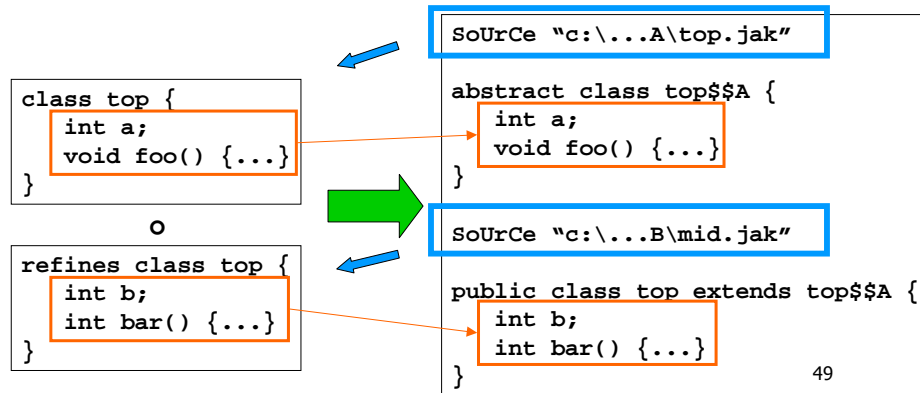
- look at typical debugging cycle
- problem: manual propagation of changes
- reason: jampack doesn't preserve boundaries of features



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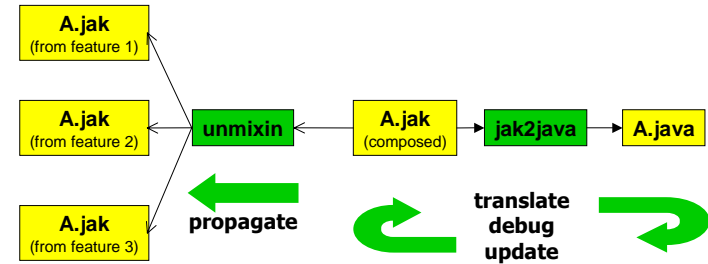
# mixin

- Preserves refinement hierarchy as inheritance hierarchy

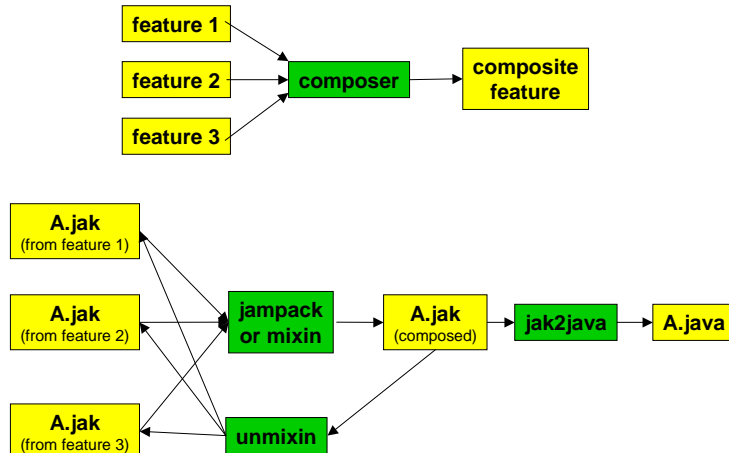


# unmixin

- Edit, debug composed A.jak files
- unmixin propagates changes back to constitute feature files **automatically**



# Recap of Code Tools



# Tool Demo

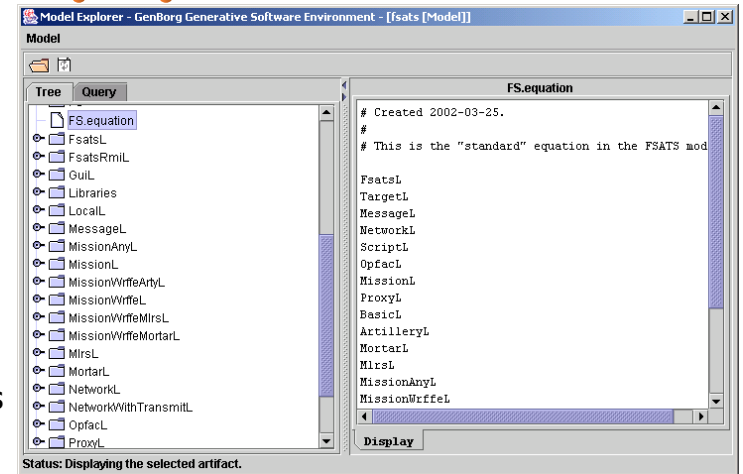
# ModelExplorer

- Enables "exploration" of collective via
  - directory hierarchy ala MS file Explorer
  - relational-like query
    - where hierarchy is stored in a database
    - suitable for querying via XQuery
  - eventually will be able to invoke composer(s)

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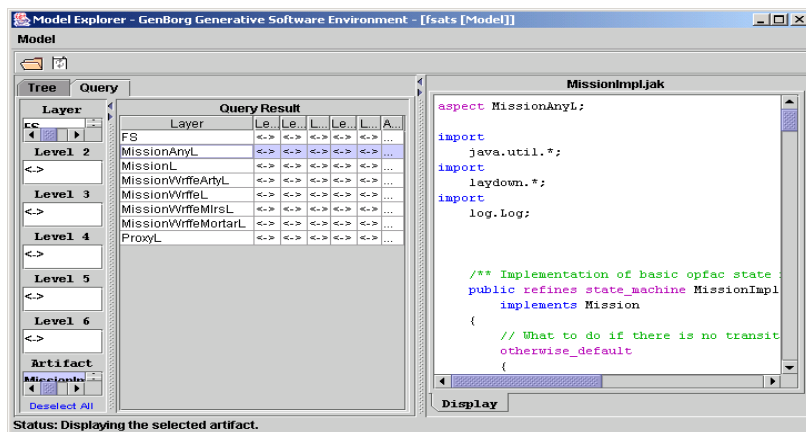
# ModelExplorer

FSATS model has ~30 units most are collectives



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# ModelExplorer



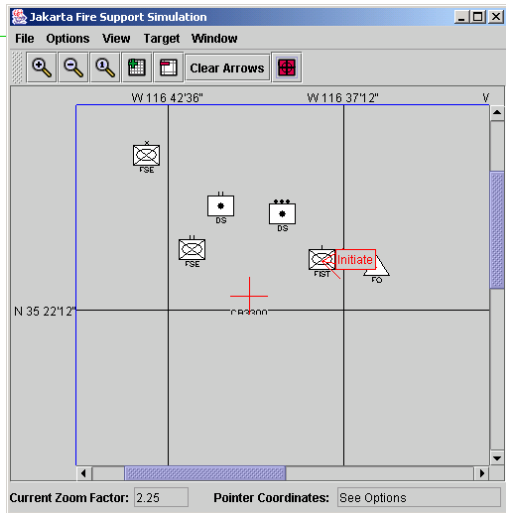
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# Composer

- Build using equation file:
  - > composer --equation=FS.equation --logging=info
- FS.equation composes 21 refinements in FSATS model generates code, drc files, makefiles + other representations..
- Runs ant makefile to produce FSATS prototype

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# FSATS Prototype



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# Lecture 3b: Scaling Refinements To Product-Families

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# Raise Two Questions

- State of the art: GenVoca models customize individual programs
  - set of all such programs is a product-line
- Larger scale: **Product-family** is an integrated suite of programs, each with different capabilities
  - MS Office (Excel, Word, Access, ...)
- Question #1: Do GenVoca refinements scale
  - to product-families?
  - product-line of product-families?

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# Question #2

- Features (refinements) are building blocks of classes, packages



compositions of features yields packages of fully formed classes

- Question #2: What are building blocks of features?

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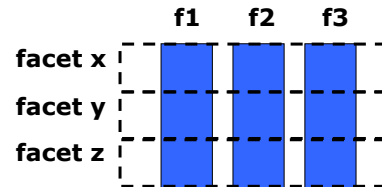


## Ans: Facets

- Composition of facets yields sets of fully formed features

- Not figure on last slide turned on its side: facet != classes

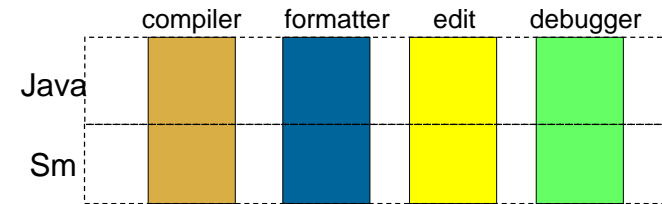
- Do facets exist?...



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## Yes!

- Integrated Development Environment (IDE)
  - product-family of tools to write, debug, document programs
  - our variant: Java language extensibility

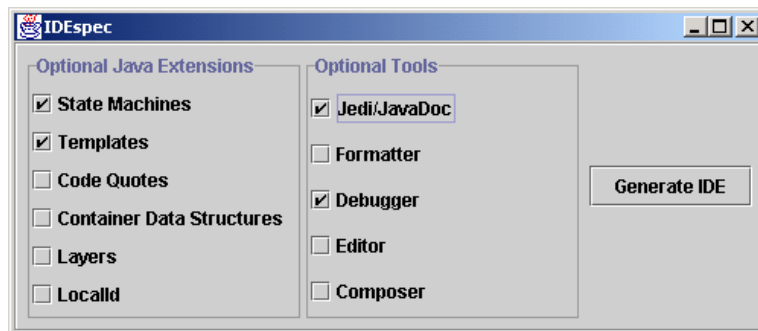


In principle, features scale to multiple programs!

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## Should be Simple...

- Fill in this form and IDE tools are generated



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## Surprise! Not That Simple!

- Features are no longer atomic
  - features composed from more elementary features (gluons)
  - gluons are structured and composed in very regular ways giving rise to composite features and facets
- Model of gluons & facets shows that software has an elegant mathematical structure
  - simpler designs
  - powerful models of code generation (product-families)
  - illustrating example: IDE generator

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## This Talk

- New results on GenVoca refinement modularity, scalability
- Generalization of GenVoca
  - 1st indication of significant generalization of basic model
- Sophisticated example of **Multi-Dimensional Separation of Concerns**
  - Tarr, Ossher IBM
  - idea that modularity can be understood through multi-dimensional hyperspaces of units
  - slices of hyperspace are modules (such as aspects)

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## An Example

that motivates gluons  
and facets

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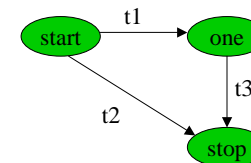
## Jakarta Tool Suite (JTS) Overview

- **JTS** is a suite of compiler-compiler tools
  - to create extensible-versions of Java language
  - product-line of Java dialects using GenVoca models
- Current dialect Jak extends Java with state machines and templates
  - but why extend Java????

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## But Why Extend Java?

- Ans: here's a state machine....



- Do you want to write....

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## in Pure Java ... or

```

class example {
    final static int start = 1000;
    final static int one = 1001;
    final static int stop = 1002; int current_state;
    // getState method
    public String getState() {
        if (current_state == start) return "start";
        if (current_state == one) return "one";
        if (current_state == stop) return "stop";
        System.err.println("unrecognizable state "
            + current_state);
        System.exit(1);
        return /* should never get here */ null;
    }
    // methods for state one
    void one_branches(M m) {
        if ( t3_test(m) )
            { t3_action(m); stop_enter(m); return; }
            ; one_otherwise(m);
    }
    void one_enter(M m) { current_state = one; }
    void one_exit(M m) { }
    void one_otherwise(M m) { otherwise_Default(m); }
    // otherwise_Default Method
    void otherwise_Default(M m) { ignore_message(m); }
    public void receive_message(M m) {
        if (current_state == start) {
            start_exit(m); start_branches(m); return; }
        if (current_state == one) {
            one_exit(m); one_branches(m); return; }
        if (current_state == stop) {
            stop_exit(m); stop_branches(m); return; }
        error( -1, m );
    }
    // methods for state start
    void start_branches(M m) {
        if ( t1_test(m) )
            { t1_action(m); one_enter(m); return; }
        if ( t2_test(m) )
            { t2_action(m); stop_enter(m); return; }
            ; start_otherwise(m);
    }
    void start_enter(M m) { current_state = start; }
    void start_exit(M m) { }
    void start_otherwise(M m) { otherwise_Default(m); }
    // methods for state stop
    void stop_branches(M m) {
        ; stop_otherwise(m);
    }
    void stop_enter(M m) { current_state = stop; }
    void stop_exit(M m) { }
    void stop_otherwise(M m) { otherwise_Default(m); }
    // methods for edge t1
    void t1_action(M m) { }
    boolean t1_test(M m) { return !booltest(); }
    // methods for edge t2
    void t2_action(M m) { }
    boolean t2_test(M m) { return booltest(); }
    // methods for edge t3
    void t3_action(M m) { }
    boolean t3_test(M m) { return true; }
    //
    boolean booltest() { }
    example() { current_state = start; }
}
    
```

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## Jak = Java + State Machine DSL

```

state_machine example {
    event_delivery receive_message(M m);
    no_transition { error( -1, m ); }
    otherwise_default { ignore_message(m); }
}

Error exits {
}
State decls {
    states start, one, stop;
}
Edge decls {
    edge t1 : start -> one
    conditions !booltest() do { /* t1 action */ }

    edge t2 : start -> stop
    conditions booltest() do { /* t2 action */ }

    edge t3 : one -> stop
    conditions true do { /* t3 action */ }
}
Constructor,
methods {
    //
    boolean booltest() { ... }
    example() { current_state = start; }
}
    
```

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## Jak (Continued)

- DSL-extended Java simplifies programming
  - perform analyses (e.g., reachability) impossible to do in pure Java program
  - programs are about 1/2 the size of pure-Java
  - easier to understand, maintain, extend
- Similar benefits of template-extensions of Java

Conclusion – we want to program in DSL-extended Java languages...

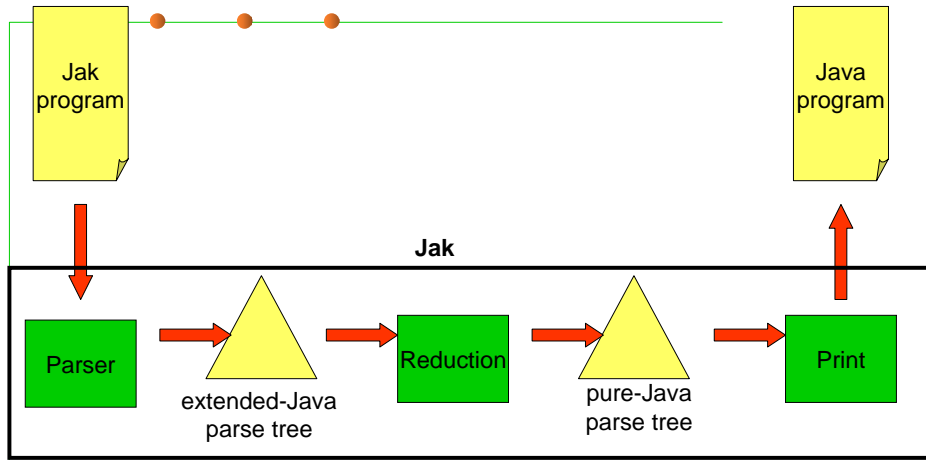
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## So...

- We need tools (IDEs) for extended Java languages...
- Use JTS to build such tools
- Look at how Jak is built...
  - Jak is a preprocessor
  - translates extended-Java programs to pure-Java programs

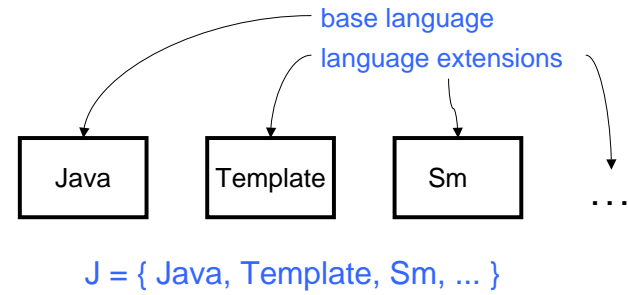
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# Jak is a Preprocessor



# JTS Model - Library

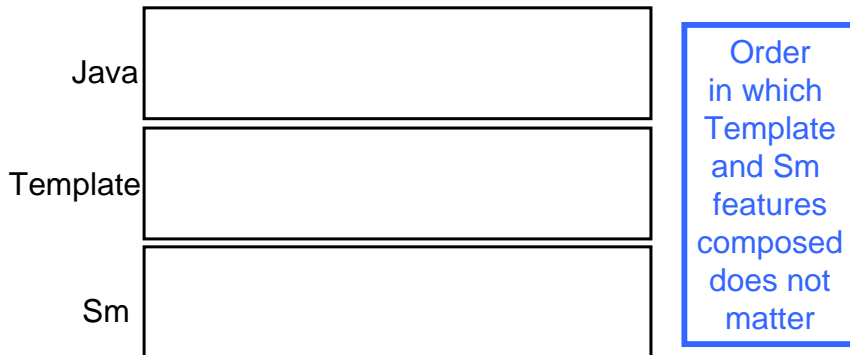
- Set of "feature" extensions to the Java language



- Compose them to produce required dialect
- Example...

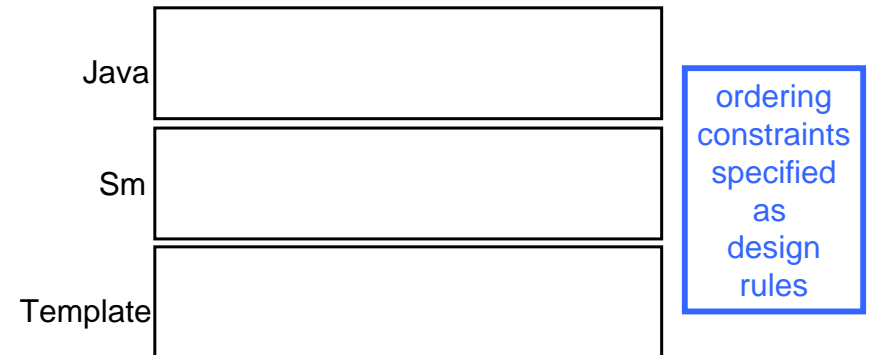
# Architecture of Jak

$$\text{Jak} = \text{Sm} \circ \text{Template} \circ \text{Java}$$



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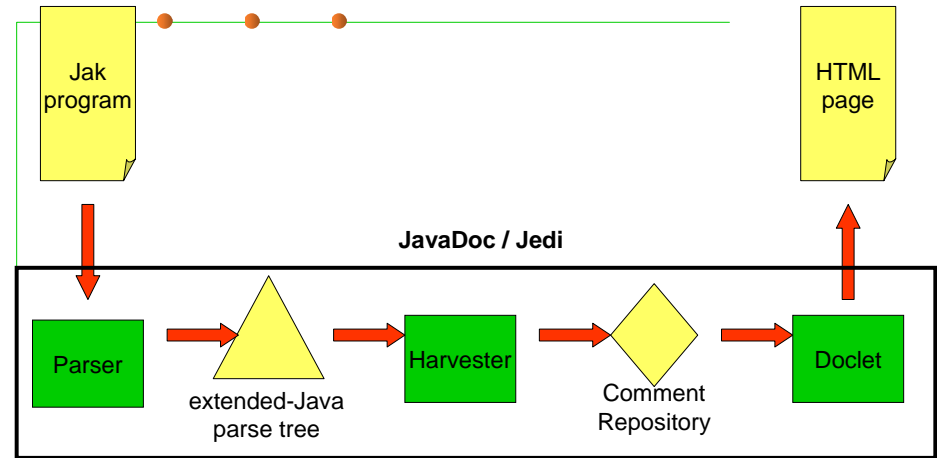


## IDE Problem

- Today, we are writing extended-Java programs
  - built FSATS using state-machine/template extended Java
- Want JavaDoc-like HTML documents for extended-Java programs
- Can't use JavaDoc directly
  - because it only understands pure Java programs
- Need language-extensible version of JavaDoc
  - Jedi (Java Extensible DocumentatIon)

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## JavaDoc / Jedi



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## Jedi Model and Equation

- Has own model
  - elements are 1-1 correspondence with J model

$D = \{ \text{JavaDoc}, \text{TmplDoc}, \text{SmDoc}, \dots \}$

- Jedi defined by equations

$$\text{Jedi} = \text{TmplDoc} \circ \text{SmDoc} \circ \text{JavaDoc}$$

$$= \text{SmDoc} \circ \text{TmplDoc} \circ \text{JavaDoc}$$

Order  
in which  
Template  
and Sm  
features  
composed  
does not  
matter

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## IDE Model using Tool Features

$$\text{IDE\_Model} = \{ \text{parse}, \text{reduce}, \text{print}, \text{harvest}, \text{doclet}, \dots \}$$

- Each const, function is feature of IDE tools
- Different equations are different tools
- Design rules govern legal compositions of features

$\text{Jak} = \text{print} \circ \text{reduce} \circ \text{parse}$

$\text{Jedi} = \text{doclet} \circ \text{harvest} \circ \text{parse}$

...

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## Wait!

- We have different equations for each tool!

Jak = Sm ◦ Template ◦ Java // using language features  
= print ◦ reduce ◦ parse // using tool features

Jedi = SmDoc ◦ TmplDoc ◦ JavaDoc // using lang. features  
= doclet ◦ harvest ◦ parse // using tool features

- How do we prove their equivalence?

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## Relating Different GenVoca Models

in search of gluons...

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## Feature Orthogonality

- Language, tool features are orthogonal

- We can understand modularity of Jak and Jedi in terms of matrices

- rows are language features
- columns are tool features
- entries denote modules that implement a tool feature for a particular language feature

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## Jedi Matrix

	Doclet	Harvest	Parse
Java	Jdoclet	Jharvest	Jparse
Sm	Sdoclet	Sharvest	Sparse
Tmpl	Tdoclet	Tharvest	Tparse

- Each entry is a module that implements a "feature of a feature"
- Composition of these modules implements Jedi

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## Glouons and Facets

	Doclet	Harvest	Parse
Java	Jdoclet	Jharvest	Jparse
Sm	Sdoclet	Sharvest	Sparse
Tmpl	Tdoclet	Tharvest	Tparse

matrix  
entries  
are called  
**glouons**

- Row is language feature, implemented by composition of glouons in that row
- Columns are facets – cross-cut each row

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## Glouons and Facets

	Doclet	Harvest	Parse
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- Column is a tool feature, implemented by composition of glouons in that column
- Rows are facets – cross-cut each column

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## Jak Matrix

	Print	Reduce	Parse
Java	Jprint	Jreduce	Jparse
Sm	-	Sreduce	Sparse
Tmpl	-	Treduce	Tparse

- Note absent modules
- Composition of these modules implements Jak

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## What is a Glouon?

- Ans: Mixin-Layer
  - elementary refinement (layer) that implements a "feature of a feature" or a building-block of a language/tool feature
  - GenVoca constant or function

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## Why do Gluons Exist?

- Ans: always can decompose composite constant, function into primitives

$$c = F_1( F_2( \dots F_n( c ) \dots ))$$

$$F(x) = F_1'( F_2'( \dots F_n'( x ) \dots ))$$

- Decomposing software is modeled by decomposing equations

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## Applications with Gluons are Equations

Jdoclet	Jharvest	Jparse
Sdoclet	Sharvest	Sparse
Tdoclet	Tharvest	Tparse

Jedi = TDoclet o THarvest o TParser o  
SDoclet o JDoclet o SHarvest o  
JHarvest o SParser o JParser

Jprint	Jreduce	Jparse
-	Sreduce	Sparse
-	Treduce	Tparse

Jak = Print o TReduce o SReduce o  
JReduce o TParse o SParse o  
JParse

Q: How is this mapping done?

Q: Are they consistent?

A: can't be answered by inspection

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## Questions to Answer

- What is a model of gluons that
  - produces consistent equations
  - explains facets
- How do we use model to build IDE generators?
- That's next...

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## Origami

a model of gluons and facets

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## Change Notation

- Instead of writing:

$$\text{Eqn} = A( B( C( D ) ) )$$

- We will write:

$$\text{Eqn} = A \circ B \circ C \circ D$$

- Where  $\circ$  is composition operator

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## Model of Gluons and Facets

- GenVoca models are 1-dimensional

- set of constants and functions

- Gluon models are inherently 2-dimensional

- or more generally n-dimensional
  - view them accordingly

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## Origami Matrix

- Rows are **all** language features;
- Columns are **all** tool features;
- Gluons are entries

	Parser	Harvest	Doclet	Reduce	Print	...
Java	JParser	JHarvest	JDoclet	JReduce	JPrint	...
Sm	SParser	SHarvest	SDoclet	SReduce	-	...
Template	TParser	THarvest	TDoclet	TReduce	-	...
DS	DParser	DHarvest	DDoclet	DReduce	-	...
...	...	...	...	...	-	...

- Filling in this matrix is easy, facets

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## Extending the Matrix

- New row requires gluons for all columns
- New row cross-cuts all column "features"

	Doclet	Harvest	Parser	Reduce	Print	...
Java	JDoclet	JHarvest	JParser	JReduce	JPrint	...
Sm	S <b>Doclet</b>	S <b>Harvest</b>	S <b>Parser</b>	S <b>Reduce</b>	-	...
Template	TDoclet	THarvest	TParser	TReduce	-	...
DS	DDoclet	DHarvest	DParser	DReduce	-	...
...	...	...	...	...	-	...

**Facets**

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Sm	<b>SDoclet</b>	<b>SHarvest</b>	<b>SParser</b>	<b>SReduce</b>	-	...
Template	<b>TDoclet</b>	<b>THarvest</b>	<b>TParser</b>	<b>TReduce</b>	-	...
DS	<b>DDoclet</b>	<b>DHarvest</b>	<b>DParser</b>	<b>DReduce</b>	-	...
...	...	...	...	...	-	...

**Facets**

# Origami

- Compositions produced by "folding" Matrix:

- compose rows by composing corresponding gluons in each column
- compose columns by composing corresponding gluons in each row

# Application is Equation

- Identify language, tool features to compose – ex: Jedi

	Doclet	Harvest	Parser	Reduce	Print	...
Java	JDoclet	JHarvest	JParser	JReduce	JPrint	...
Sm	SDoclet	SHarvest	SParser	SReduce	-	...
Template	TDoclet	THarvest	TParser	TReduce	-	...
DS	DDoclet	DHarvest	DParser	DReduce	-	...
...	...	...	...	...	-	...

# Discard Non-Selected Entries

	Doclet	Harvest	Parser
Java	JDoclet	JHarvest	JParser
Sm	SDoclet	SHarvest	SParser
Template	TDoclet	THarvest	TParser

# Fold Rows and Columns

■ in Design Rule order

- Java then { Sm, Templates } in any order
- Parser then Harvest then Doclet

	Doclet	Harvest	Parser
Java	JDoclet	JHarvest	JParser
Sm	SDoclet	SHarvest	SParser
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compose  
Java row with  
Sm row

# Fold Rows and Columns

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compose  
Parser col with  
Harvest col

# Fold Rows and Columns

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	Doclet	Harvest	Parser
Java	JDoclet	JHarvest	JParser
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compose  
with Doclet  
column

# Fold Rows and Columns

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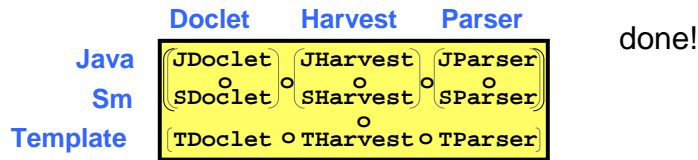
	Doclet	Harvest	Parser
Java	JDoclet	JHarvest	JParser
Sm	SDoclet	SHarvest	SParser
Template	TDoclet	THarvest	TParser

compose  
with Template  
row

## Fold Rows and Columns

- in Design Rule order

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## To Yield Equation

$$\text{Jedi} = (\text{TDoclet} \circ \text{THarvest} \circ \text{TParser}) \circ (\text{SDoclet} \circ \text{JDoclet}) \circ (\text{SHarvest} \circ \text{JHarvest}) \circ (\text{SParser} \circ \text{JParser})$$

- Other constraints may preclude certain foldings
  - but this is the essential idea

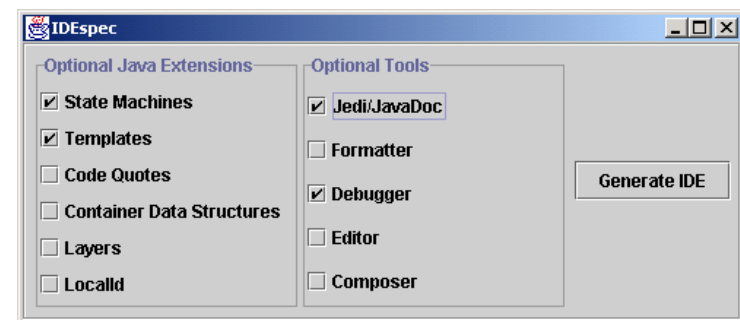
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## Use Origami to Generate Language-Extensible IDEs

yields generator for a product-line of product-families

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## Recall IDE Generator GUI



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# Origami Matrix

- Selected language features trims rows

	Parser	Harvest	Doclet	Reduce	Print	...
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...	...	...	...	...	-	...

# Effect on Matrix

- Selected language features trims rows

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- Easy to determine order of row composition

# Effect on Matrix

- Now compose the rows

	Parser	Harvest	Doclet	Reduce	Print	...
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# Effect on Matrix

- Now compose the rows

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## Resulting Row

- Note its semantics!

	Parser	Harvest	Doclet	Reduce	Print	...
Java	JParser	JHarvest	JDoclet	JReduce	JPrint	...
Sm	SParser	SHarvest	SDoclet	SReduce		...
Template	TParser	THarvest	TDoclet	TReduce		...

Parser = TParser o SParser o JParser

Harvest = THarvest o SHarvest o JHarvest

Doclet = TDoclet o SDoclet o JDoclet

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## Resulting Row

- Is GenVoca model for IDE product-line!

- each constant, function is a feature of tool

IDE\_Model = { Parser, Harvest, Doclet, Print, Reduce, ... }

- folding defines an eqn for each feature
- and we know equations for each program of product family!

Jak = Print o Reduce o Parser

Jedi = Doclet o Harvest o Parser

...

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## IDE Generator is Simple

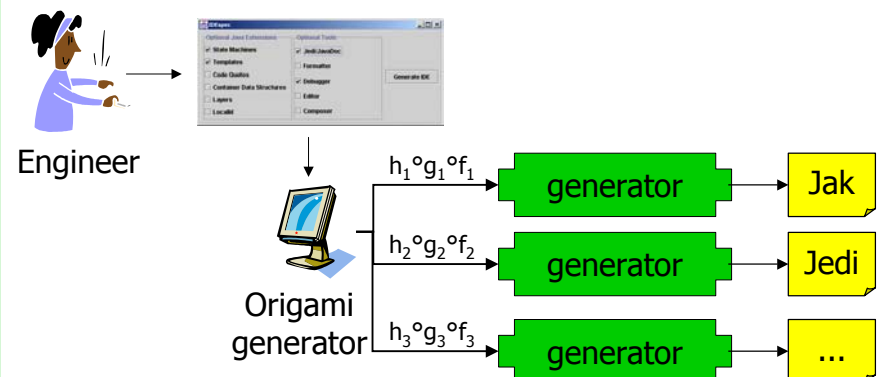
- For each selected tool, evaluate its eqn



And generate the code for each tool automatically!

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## Generator of IDE Prod-Line (Generator of Product-Family)



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## Implementing Origami in AHEAD

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## Origami – Idea 1

- Need 4 ideas
- Equation files (**Jak.eqn**)
  - another artifact file type
  - specifies a single equation

$\text{Jak} = \text{print} \circ \text{reduce} \circ \text{parse}$

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## Origami – Idea 2

- There are LOTS of other operators, besides  $\circ$ , for collectives and units

- One is evaluation  $\Phi$ 
  - applied to a model, all .eqn files are evaluated

$M = \{ \text{parse}, \text{reduce}, \text{print}, \text{harvest}, \text{doclet}, \text{Jak.eqn}, \text{Jedi.eqn} \}$

$\Phi(M)$  generates Jak and Jedi tools

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## Origami – Idea 3

- **Metamodel** is a model whose instances are models

$M = \{ a, b, c \}$  // model M

$MM = \{ AA, BB, CC, DD \}$  // metamodel  
 $= \{ \{ a \}, \{ b \}, \{ c \}, \{ d \} \}$

$M = AA \circ BB \circ CC$  // eqn defining M

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## Origami – Idea 4

- Origami is a metamodel!

- recall matrix:

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Tmpl	TParser	THarvest	TDoclet	TReduce	-	...
DS	DParser	DHarvest	DDoclet	DReduce	-	...
...	...	...	...	...	-	...

- Rows are units of metamodel

- collective with an .eqn file for each IDE tool

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## Origami (Cont)

- IDE metamodel

$$\text{IDEMM} = \{ \text{Java, Sm, Tmpl, DS, } \dots \text{ Jedi, Jak, } \dots \}$$

origami rows

Equation collectives

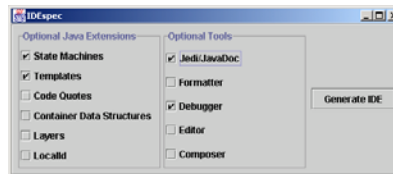
Java = { Parser, Harvest, Doclet, Reduce, ... } // std names  
 Sm = { Parser, Harvest, Doclet, Reduce, ... }  
 Tmpl = { Parser, Harvest, Doclet, Reduce, ... }

Jedi = { Jedi.eqn }  
 Jak = { Jak.eqn }

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## Origami (Cont)

- Use selected language features and selected tools to compose model from metamodel



$$M = \text{Jedi} \circ \text{Jak} \circ \text{Tmpl} \circ \text{Sm} \circ \text{Java}$$

$$= \{ \text{Parser, Harvest, Doclet, Reduce, } \dots \text{ Jedi.eqn, Jak.eqn } \}$$

- $\Phi(M)$  generates Jak, Jedi tools

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# Questions?

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