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Extending FRaMED Kickoff

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Looking Back

Task

Graphical Notation

Ecore Model

Next Steps





First Role Modelling Editor (FraMED)

- Development of an Eclipse-based diagram editor
 - Graphical specification of Object Role Models
 - Generate coherent Models
 - Enable the usage of common concepts and notations
- Validate the consistancy of *Object Role Models*

Prerequisites

- Knowledge about Eclipse plugin development, meta modelling with Ecore, and GEF diagram framework
- Basic understanding of the concept of roles and compartments
- An established Ecore Metamodel



Looking Back Syntax of Object Role Model[1]







Looking Back FRaMED^{alpha}

Demo failed





Extending First Role Modelling Editor (FRaMED)

- Stabilize the current release
 - Refactor and Cleanup current code base
 - Document the current release
 - Find and fix bugs
- Extension of FRaMED towards a new release
 - Incorperate the new CROM Meta Model^(Version: 2.0)
 - Validate the consistancy of CROM Models
- Establish a new release of FRaMED
 - Including UnitTests, Documentation, Tutorials, Examples

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Graphical Notation Syntax of CROM

Entities

Data Types

DataType fields methods()

Static Relations Data Type Inheritance

DataType

Natural Types

SubData

NaturalType fields methods()

CompType fields methods() roletypes



Natural Type Inheritance

cardA

Binary Relationship

Fulfilment (fills-Relation)

Δ

RoleType



cardB

В

RigidType

Dynamic Relations

Participation (participates-Relation)



Constraint Atomes

Role Types

RoleType



Note: Role Groups may contain other Role Groups with Role Types. However, all the relationships between them have to be retained!

Constraints

Role Implication



Relationship Constraints



Role Prohibition



Relationship Implication



Dynamic Relations



Fullfillment (fills-Relation)





Constraint Groups

Grouping Roles with AND



Grouping Roles with OR



Grouping Roles with XOR



Short Hand (with Identity Role)







Short Hand



Short Hand



Short Hand





Graphical Notation Usage Scenario





Ecore Model



Aspects of the meta model

Types Relations Kinds of Inheritance Relationships Concept of Roles Concept of Compartments



Ecore Model Model and Relations



Model

- Base of each CROM Model
- Contains ModelElements and Relations
- ModelElements are either RigidTypes or Groups

Relations

- Discerns all the different kinds of relations
- Contains formal, material, and constraint relations





Ecore Model Types and Inheritance





Types

- Defines the fundamental Types
- Types have a name, attributes, and operations

Inheritance

- Defines the various inheritance relations for each concept
- Inheritance is prohibited between different concepts



Ecore Model **Roles and Relationships**



Roles

- Fulfilment relation specifies which *RigidType* can play (fill) an AbstractRole
- AbstractRoles can be further constrained
- An *AbstractRole* is either a RoleGroup or a RoleType
- *RoleGroups* contain several (at least on) Abstract Role

Relationships

- Relationships are defined between two *RoleTypes (via Place)*
- Relationships have multiplicities, parthood and relational constraints





Compartments

- Each Compartments contains
 - at least one AbstractRoles (via Part),
 - Various Relationships and Constraints,
 - But no Fullfillment relation.
- Each *Part* of the *Compartment* carries a cardinality limiting the number of roles within this *AbstractRole*



let *N*... set of all NaturalTypes C... set of all CompartmentTypes CompartmentType C = (F, M, R, fills, Rel, card)with:

- F... set of fields
- M... set of methods
- *R*... set of contained RoleTypes
- Fills: $R \rightarrow N \cup C$
- Rel $\subseteq R \times R...$ set of Relationships
- card: $(R \rightarrow N \times N) \cup (Rel \rightarrow N \times N \times N \times N)$
 - card(r) = (l, u) with $r \in R$ and I and u denotes the lower bound and upper bound
 - card(rel) = (l1, u1, l2, u2) with $rel \in Rel$ and *l1,u1,l2,u2* cardinalities of the relationship









Next Steps



- Download FRaMED from github.com https://github.com/leondart/FRaMED
- Get used to work with GEF / Ecore Development Tools
- Investigate the structure and behavior of FRaMED
- Find bugs and issue them
- Fix bugs and refactor the code base
- Document each class you find and understood





Milestone 1: 15th May 2014

- Stable FRaMED^{beta} Editor
- Refectored, Documented and Tested
- Runnable Version on Github and at least two examples



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