25.3.1. The Metamodeling Architecture of MetaCASE Tool MOFLON

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Metamodel Architecture of MOFLON

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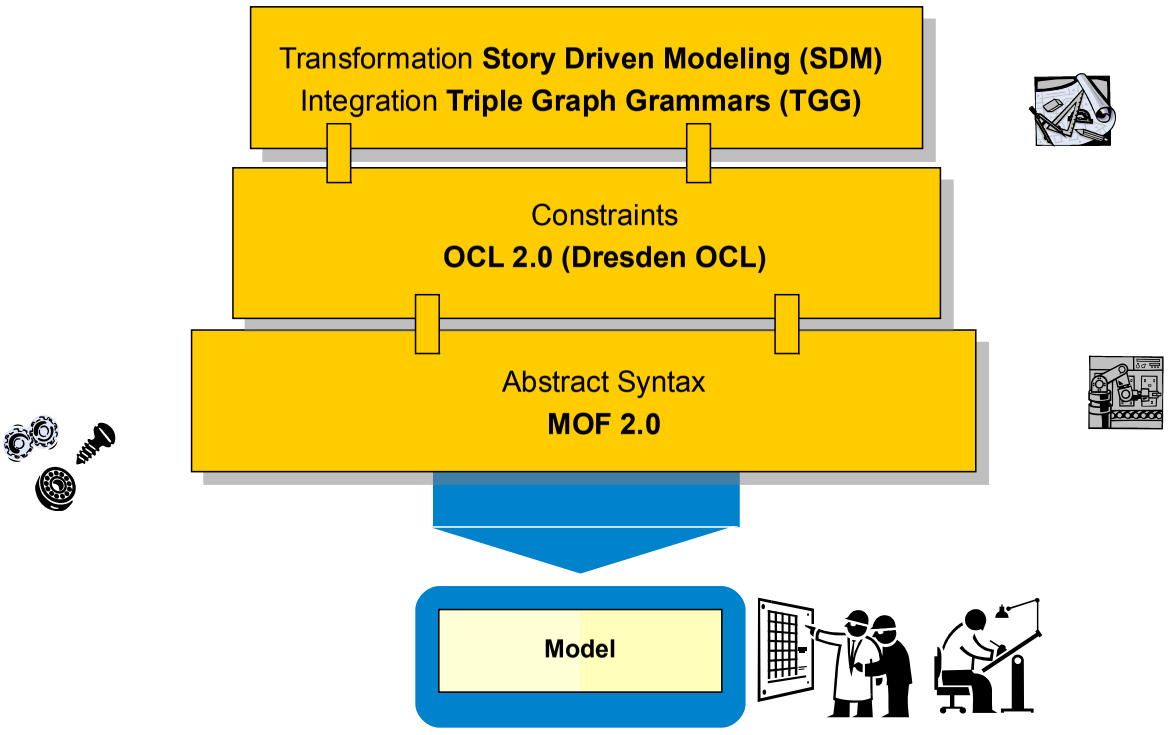

MOFLON MetaCASE – Main Features

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- MOF2.0 editor (draw metamodels that comply to MOF2.0 standard)
  → build Domain Specific Languages (DSLs)
  - based on the CASE-tool framework Fujaba
  - possibility to extend MOFLON by own plugins
- interoperabilty (import / export)
- transform metamodel instances with model transformations (SDM, TGG)
- generate code (JMI-compliant) from DSLs
- instantiate models of the DSL (= repositories)
- basic editing support for generated repositories

Einschub: JMI: Transformative TS-Brücke für MOF und Java, Sprache UML

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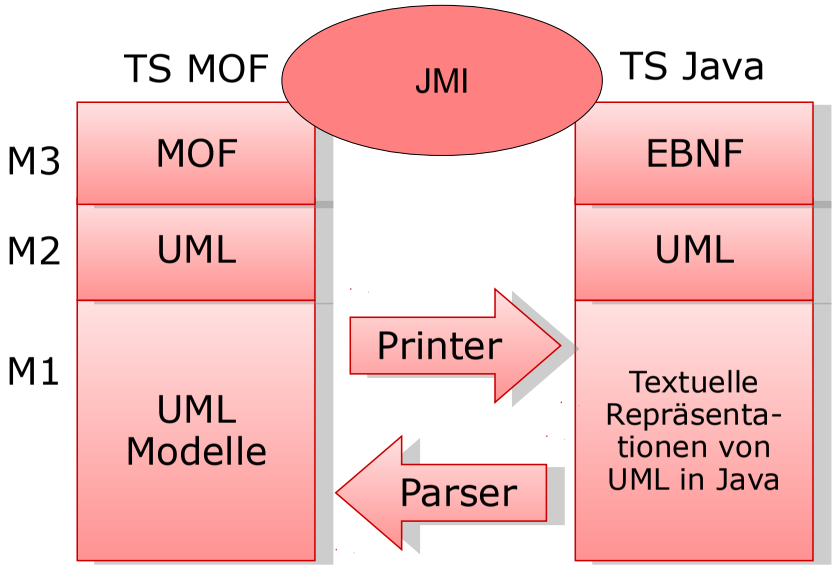
Java Metadata Interchange (JMI) ist eine TS-Halb-Brücke für MOF und EBNF-Space, für die Sprache UML



(OCL) Constraints in MOFLON – MOF Editor

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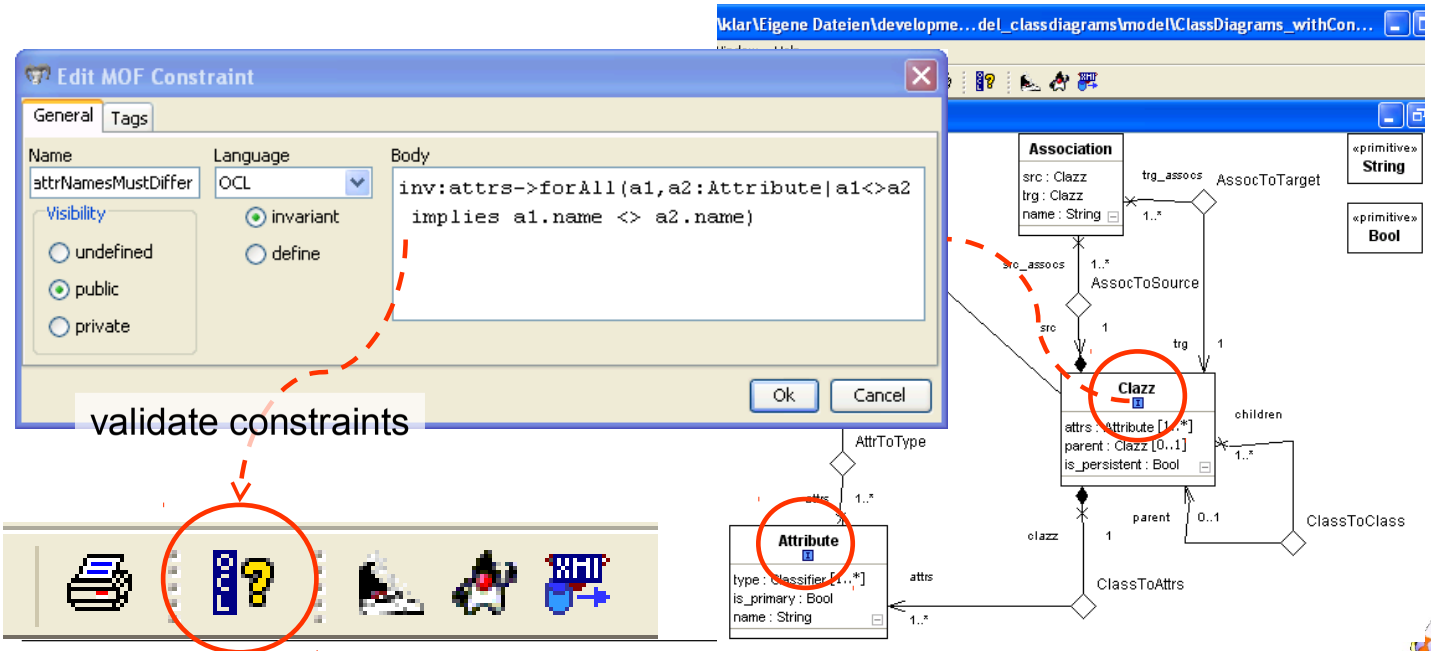
- MOF allows to add constraints to every MOF element
- MOFLON has an underlying MOF metamodel repository

→ MOFLON MOF editor may add constraints to elements



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(OCL) Constraints in MOFLON – Generated Implementations

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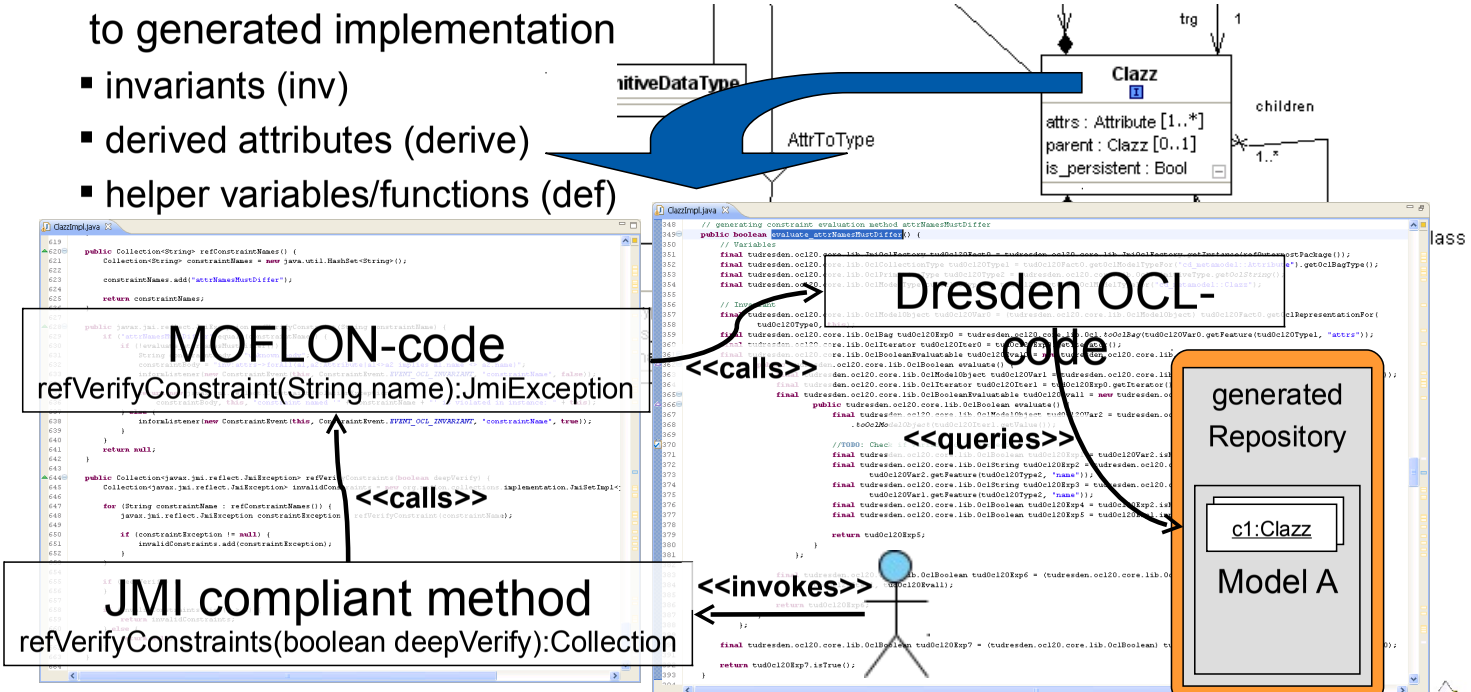
- MOFLON generates metamodel-based repositories (Java/JMI)
- MOFLON uses Dresden OCL to add constraint code to generated implementation
  - invariants (inv)
  - derived attributes (derive)
  - helper variables/functions (def)



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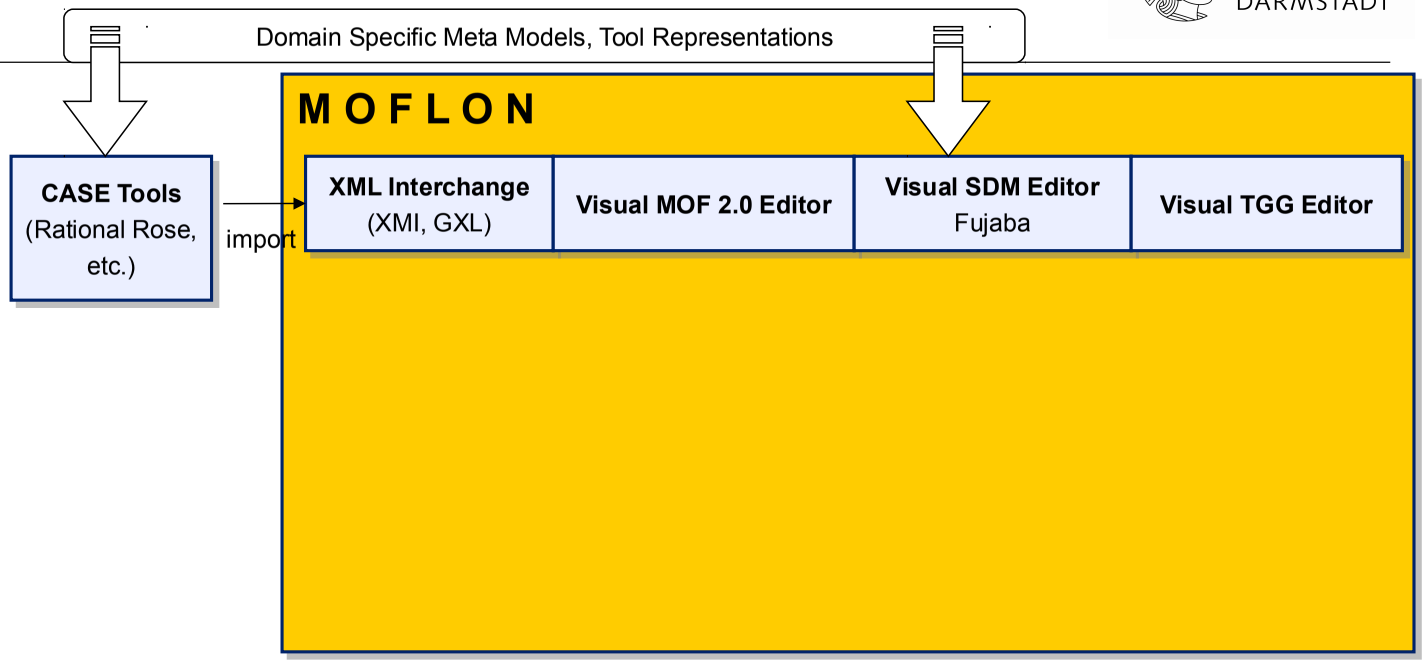
ClazzImpl.java

```
619
620     public Collection<String> refConstraintNames() {
621         Collection<String> constraintNames = new java.util.HashSet<String>();
622
623         constraintNames.add("attrNamesMustDiffer");
624
625         return constraintNames;
626     }
627
628     public javax.jmi.reflect.JmiException refVerifyConstraint(String constraintName) {
629         if ("attrNamesMustDiffer".equals(constraintName)) {
630             if (!evaluate_attrNamesMustDiffer()) {
631                 String constraintBody = "unknown body";
632                 constraintBody = "inv:attrs->forAll(a1,a2:Attribute|a1<>a2 implies a1.name <> a2.name)";
633                 informListener(new ConstraintEvent(this, ConstraintEvent.EVENT_OCL_INVARIANT, "constraintName", false));
634
635                 return new javax.jmi.reflect.ConstraintViolationException(
636                     constraintBody, this, "constraint named '" + constraintName + "' is violated in instance: " + this);
637             } else {
638                 informListener(new ConstraintEvent(this, ConstraintEvent.EVENT_OCL_INVARIANT, "constraintName", true));
639             }
640         }
641         return null;
642     }
643
644     public Collection<javax.jmi.reflect.JmiException> refVerifyConstraints(boolean deepVerify) {
645         Collection<javax.jmi.reflect.JmiException> invalidConstraints = new org.moflon.collections.implementation.JmiSetImpl<
646
647         for (String constraintName : refConstraintNames()) {
648             javax.jmi.reflect.JmiException constraintException = refVerifyConstraint(constraintName);
649
650             if (constraintException != null) {
651                 invalidConstraints.add(constraintException);
652             }
653         }
654
655         if (deepVerify) {
656         }
657
658         if (invalidConstraints.size() > 0) {
659             return invalidConstraints;
660         } else {
661             return null;
662         }
663     }
664
```


ClazzImpl.java

```
348     // generating constraint evaluation method attrNamesMustDiffer
349     public boolean evaluate_attrNamesMustDiffer() {
350         // Variables
351         final tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.JmiOclFactory tud0cl20Fact0 = tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.JmiOclFactory.getInstance(refOutermostPackage());
352         final tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclCollectionType tud0cl20Type1 = tud0cl20Fact0.get0clModelTypeFor("cd_metamodel::Attribute").get0clBagType();
353         final tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclPrimitiveType tud0cl20Type2 = tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclPrimitiveType.get0clString();
354         final tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclModelType tud0cl20Type0 = tud0cl20Fact0.get0clModelTypeFor("cd_metamodel::Clazz");
355
356         // Invariant
357         final tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclModelObject tud0cl20Var0 = (tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclModelObject) tud0cl20Fact0.get0clRepresentationFor(
358                 tud0cl20Type0, this);
359         final tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclBag tud0cl20Exp0 = tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.Ocl.toOclBag(tud0cl20Var0.getFeature(tud0cl20Type1, "attrs"));
360         final tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclIterator tud0cl20Iter0 = tud0cl20Exp0.getIterator();
361         final tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclBooleanEvaluatable tud0cl20Eval0 = new tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclBooleanEvaluatable() {
362             public tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclBoolean evaluate() {
363                 final tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclModelObject tud0cl20Var1 = tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.Ocl.toOclModelObject(tud0cl20Iter0.getValue());
364                 final tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclIterator tud0cl20Iter1 = tud0cl20Exp0.getIterator();
365                 final tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclBooleanEvaluatable tud0cl20Eval1 = new tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclBooleanEvaluatable() {
366                     public tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclBoolean evaluate() {
367                         final tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclModelObject tud0cl20Var2 = tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.Ocl
368                             .toOclModelObject(tud0cl20Iter1.getValue());
369
370                         //TODO: Check if VariableId is correct
371                         final tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclBoolean tud0cl20Exp1 = tud0cl20Var2.isNotEqualTo(tud0cl20Var1);
372                         final tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclString tud0cl20Exp2 = tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.Ocl.toOclString(
373                                 tud0cl20Var2.getFeature(tud0cl20Type2, "name"));
374                         final tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclString tud0cl20Exp3 = tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.Ocl.toOclString(
375                                 tud0cl20Var1.getFeature(tud0cl20Type2, "name"));
376                         final tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclBoolean tud0cl20Exp4 = tud0cl20Exp2.isNotEqualTo(tud0cl20Exp3);
377                         final tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclBoolean tud0cl20Exp5 = tud0cl20Exp1.implies(tud0cl20Exp4);
378
379                         return tud0cl20Exp5;
380                     }
381                 };
382
383                 final tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclBoolean tud0cl20Exp6 = (tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclBoolean) tud0cl20Exp0.forAll(
384                         tud0cl20Iter1, tud0cl20Eval1);
385
386                 return tud0cl20Exp6;
387             }
388         };
389
390         final tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclBoolean tud0cl20Exp7 = (tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclBoolean) tud0cl20Exp0.forAll(tud0cl20Iter0, tud0cl20Eval0);
391
392         return tud0cl20Exp7.isTrue();
393     }
```


MOFLON – Architecture



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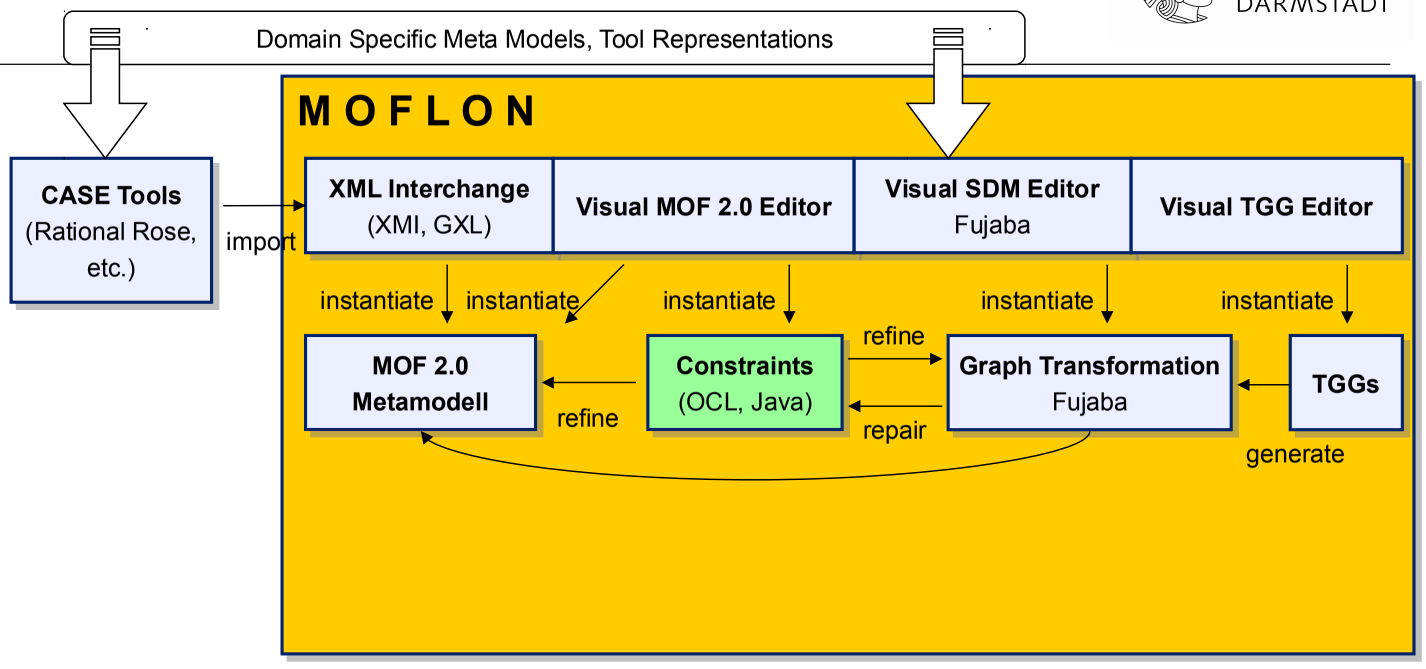

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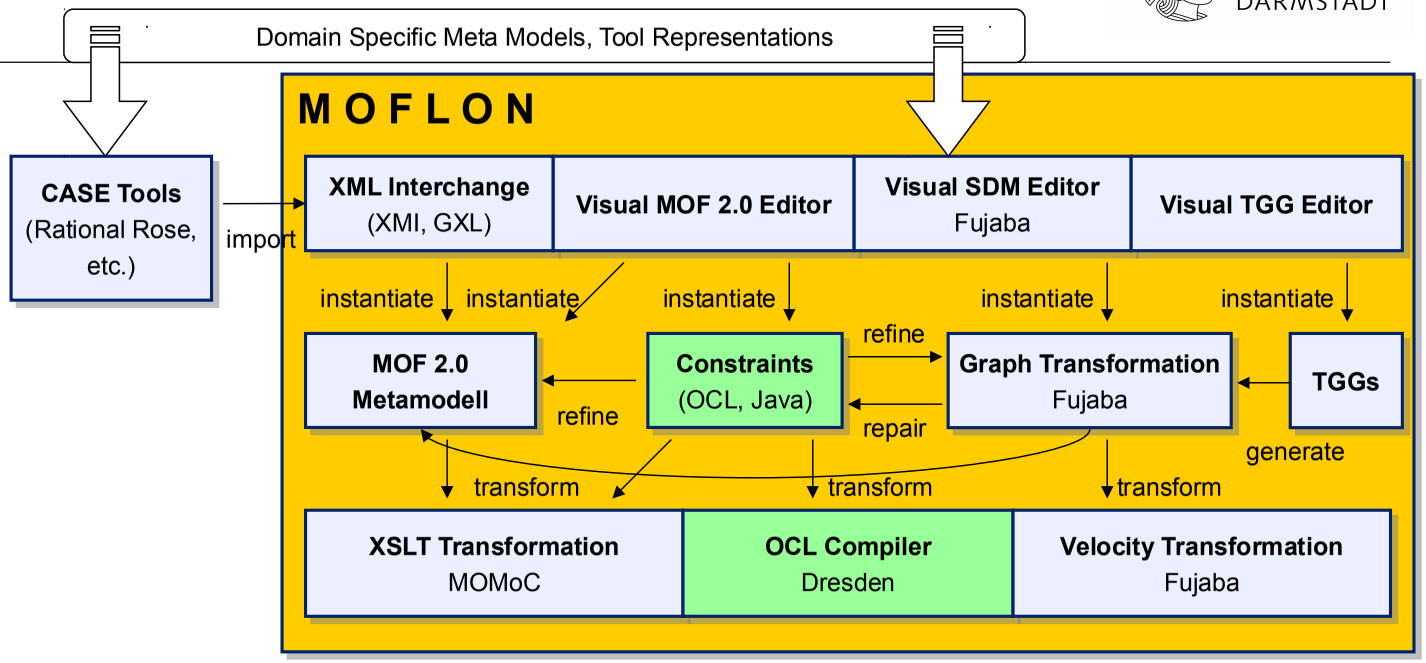

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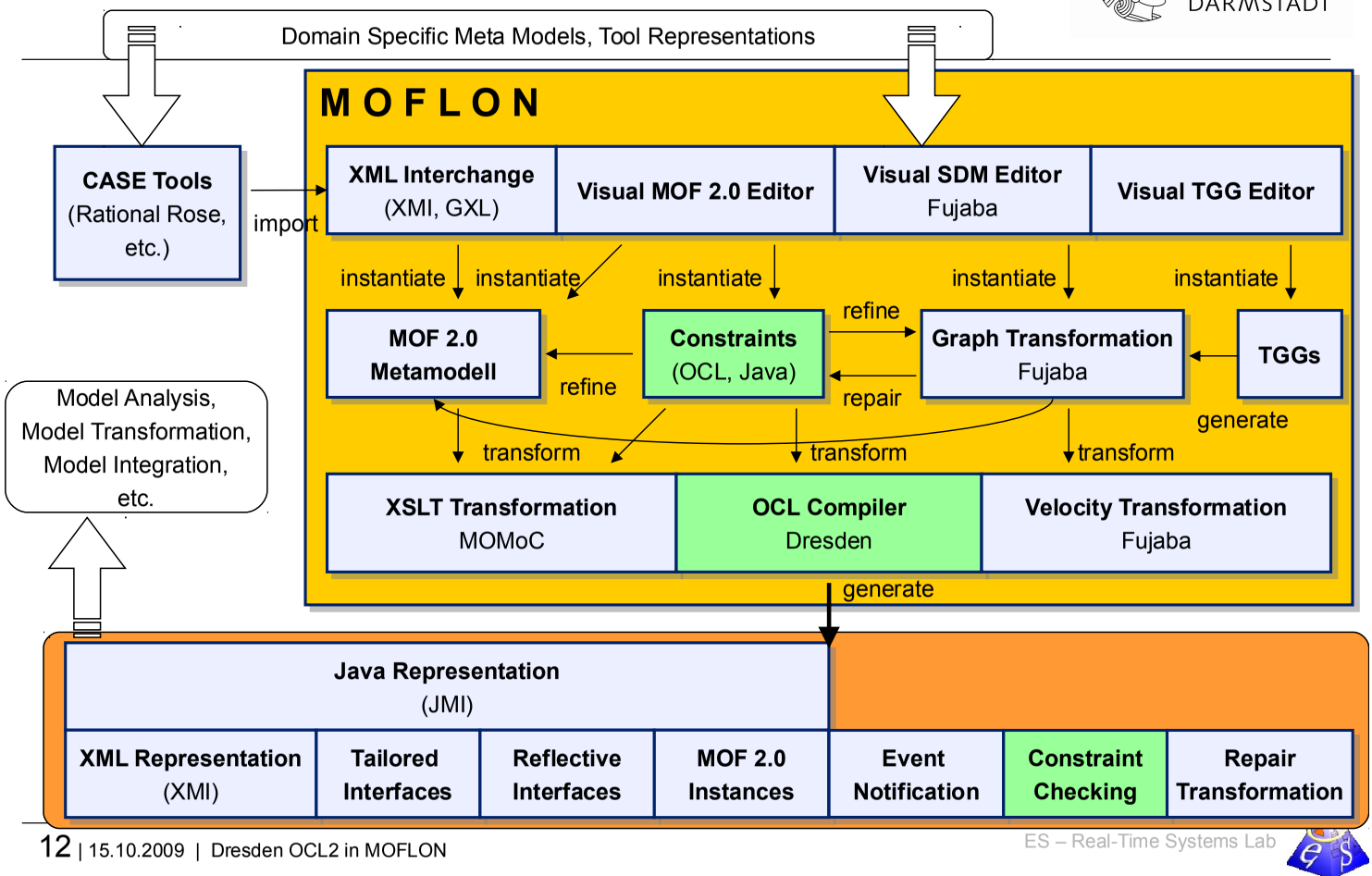

26.2 MOFLON Case Study – Statechart Editor (STaX)

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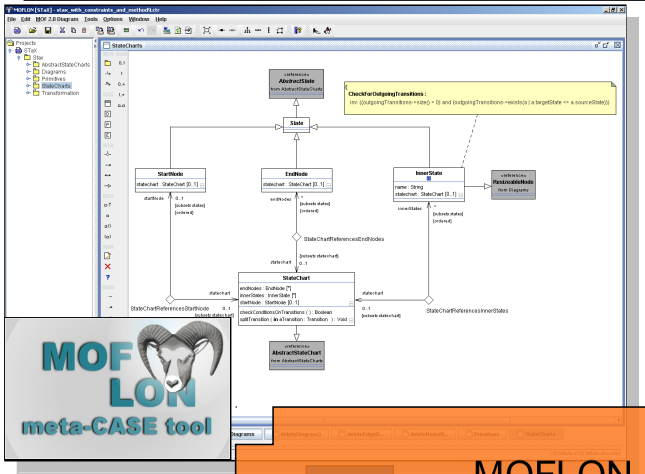
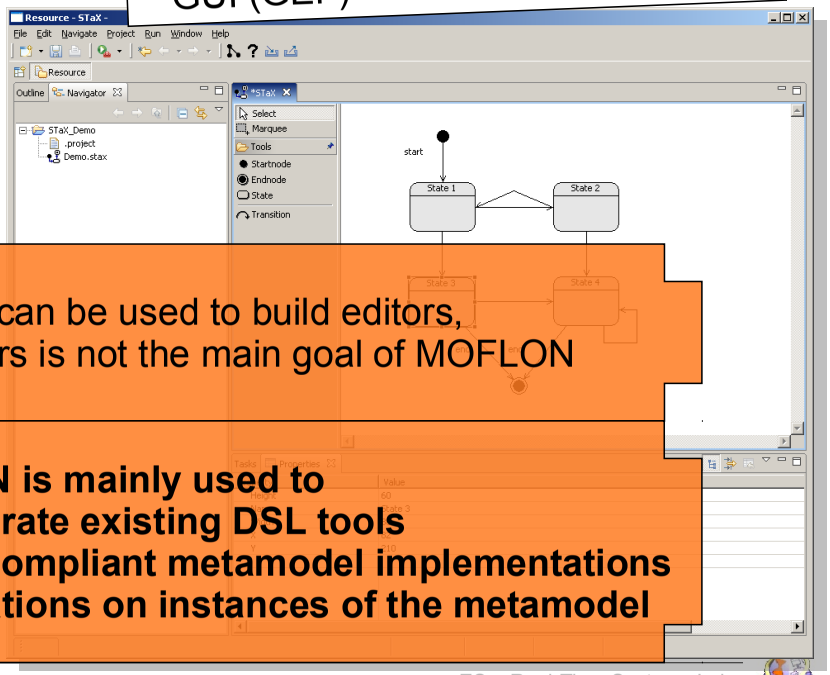


Editor:
- data structure (MOFLON repository)
- GUI (GEF)



MOF LON meta-CASE tool

+

eclipse 3.1

GEF

MOFLON can be used to build editors,
but building editors is not the main goal of MOFLON

MOFLON is mainly used to
- **integrate existing DSL tools**
- **generate standard compliant metamodel implementations**
- **specify transformations on instances of the metamodel**

Integration Example with TGG – Class diagrams / database schemata

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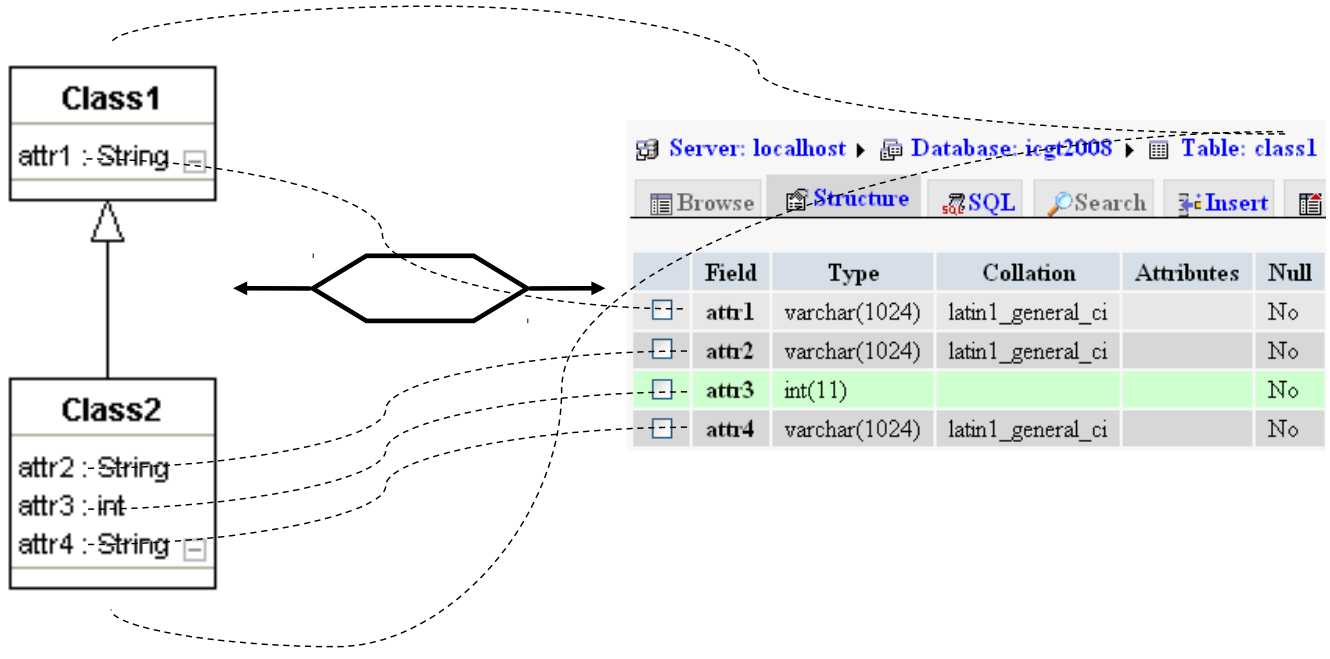

domain specific language,
e.g. Class Diagrams

domain specific language,
e.g. Database Schemata

Case Study 2: Tool Integration Scenario TiECDDS: (ClassD / DatabaseSchema)

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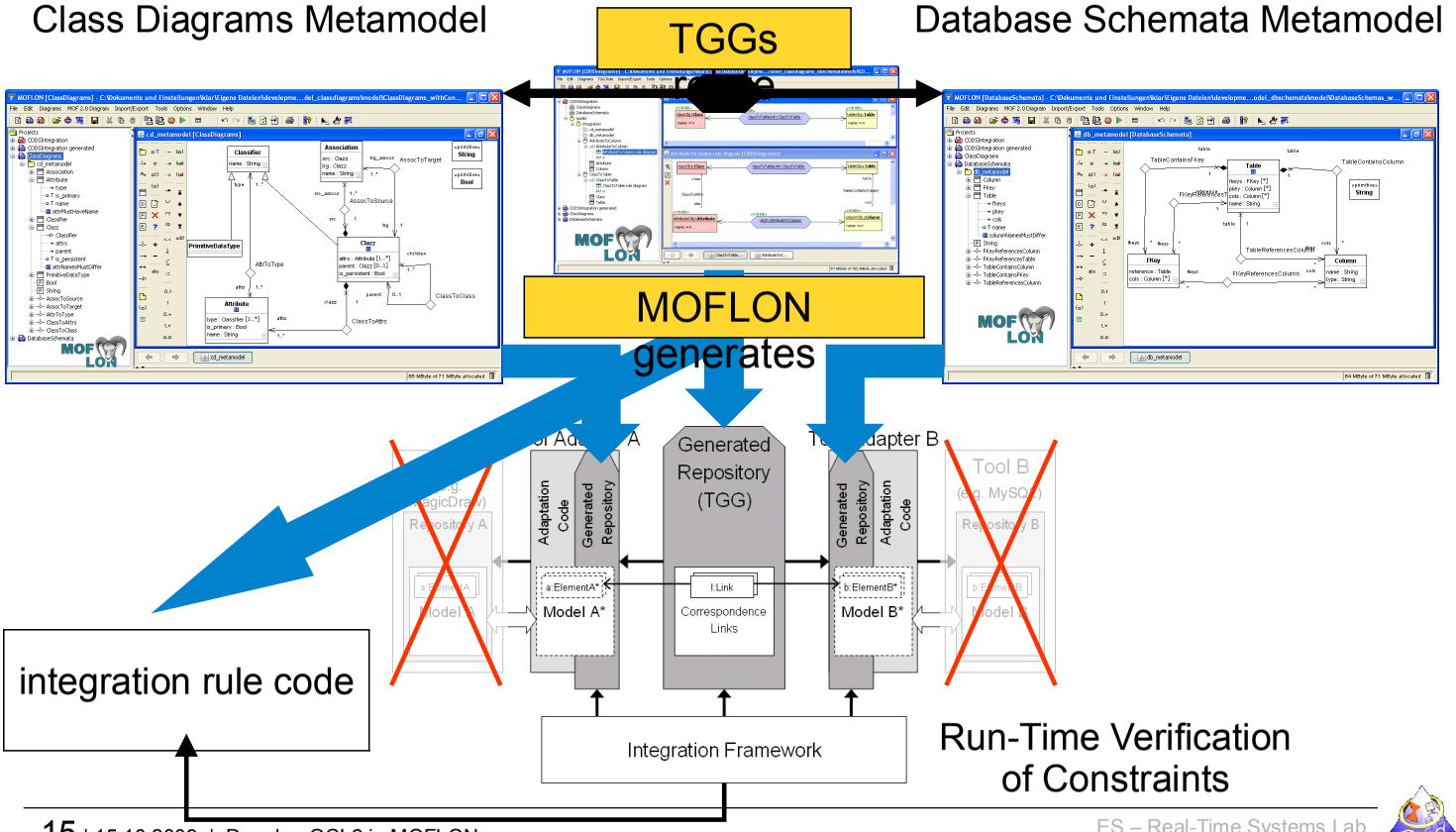

TiE-CDDS – Focus on Constraints in CD (1) Generate Code from MOF model (CD metamodel)

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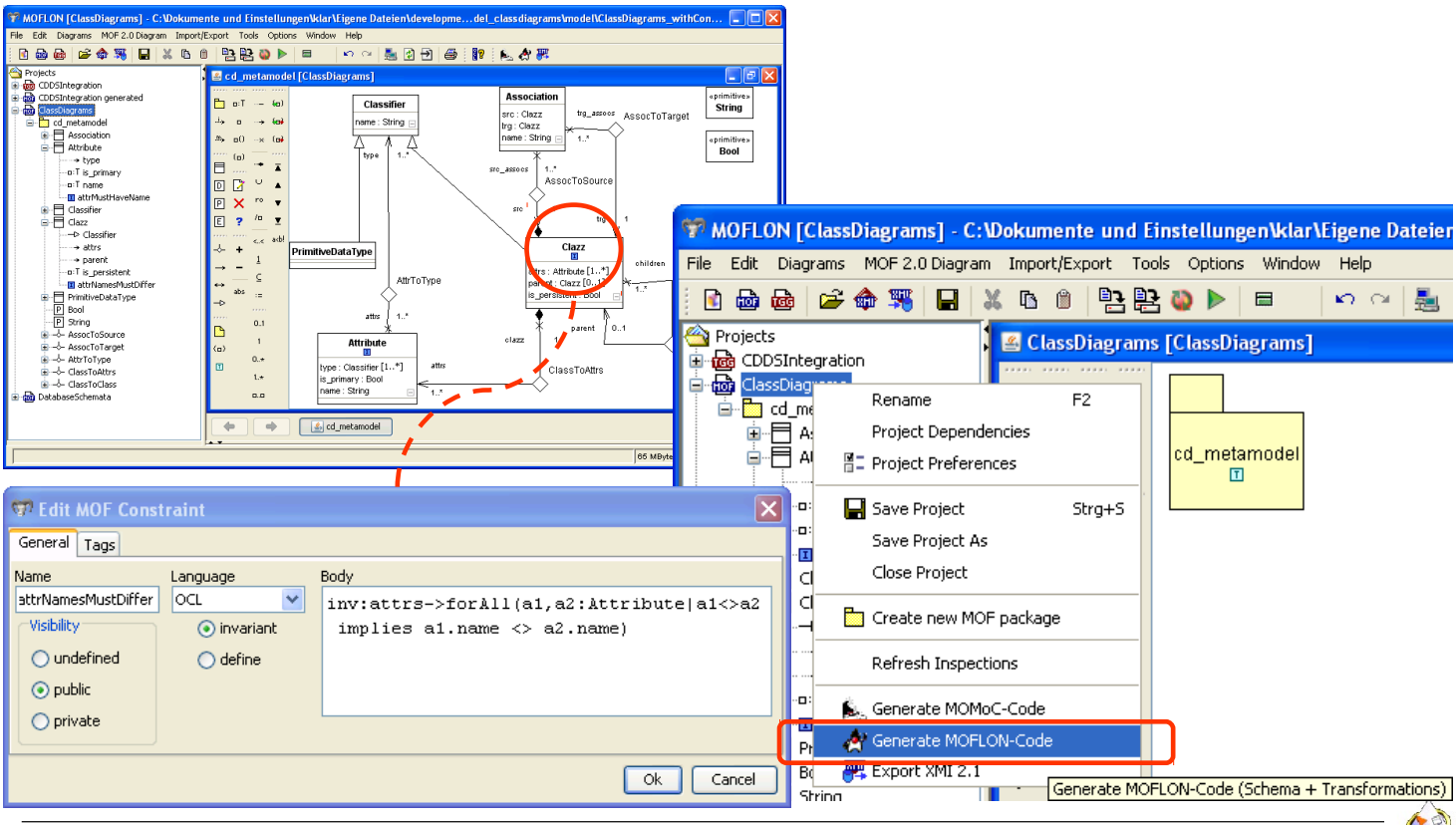

TiE-CDDS – Focus on Constraints in CD (2)
Integration Framework

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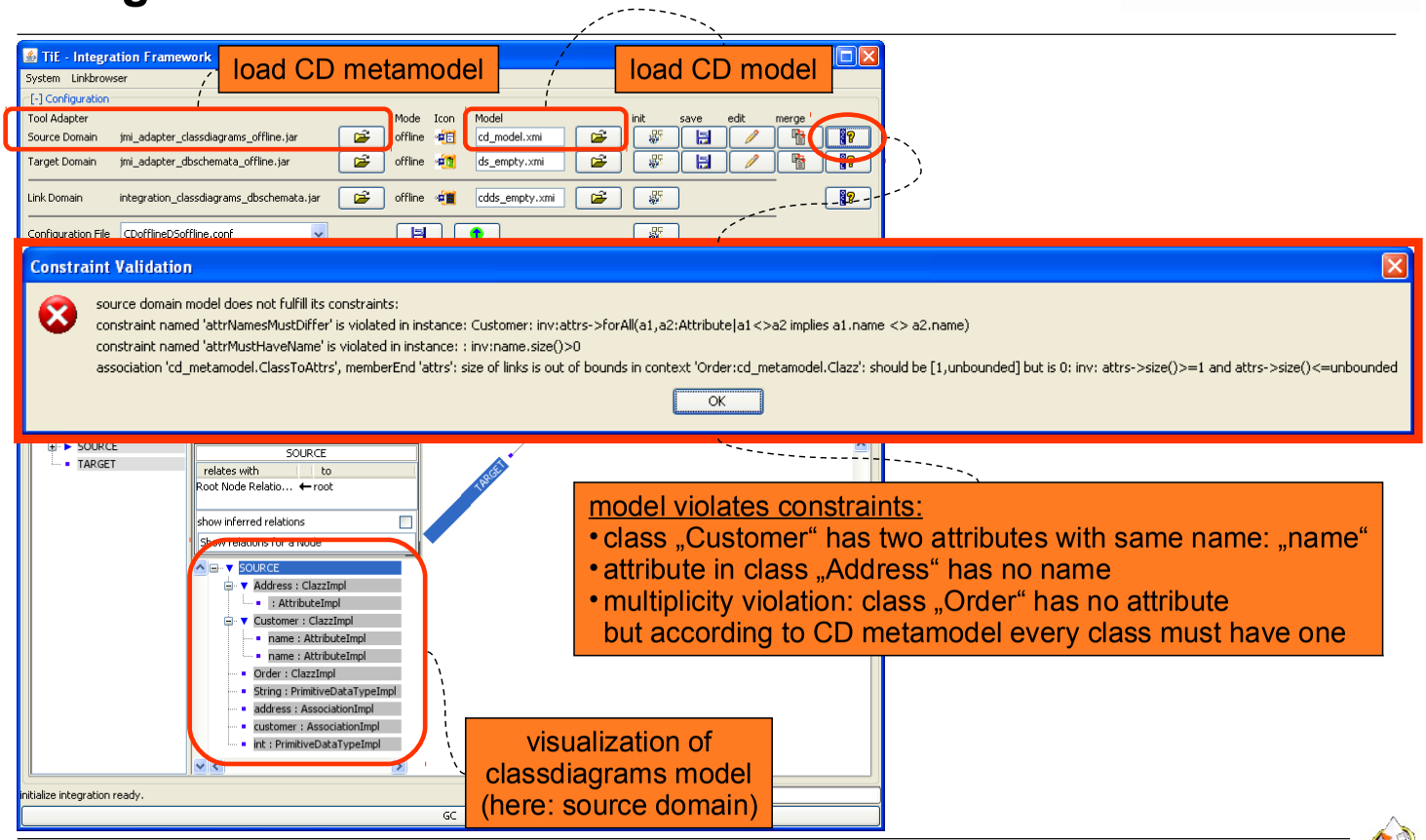

TiE-CDDS – Focus on Constraints in CD (3)
Model Browser

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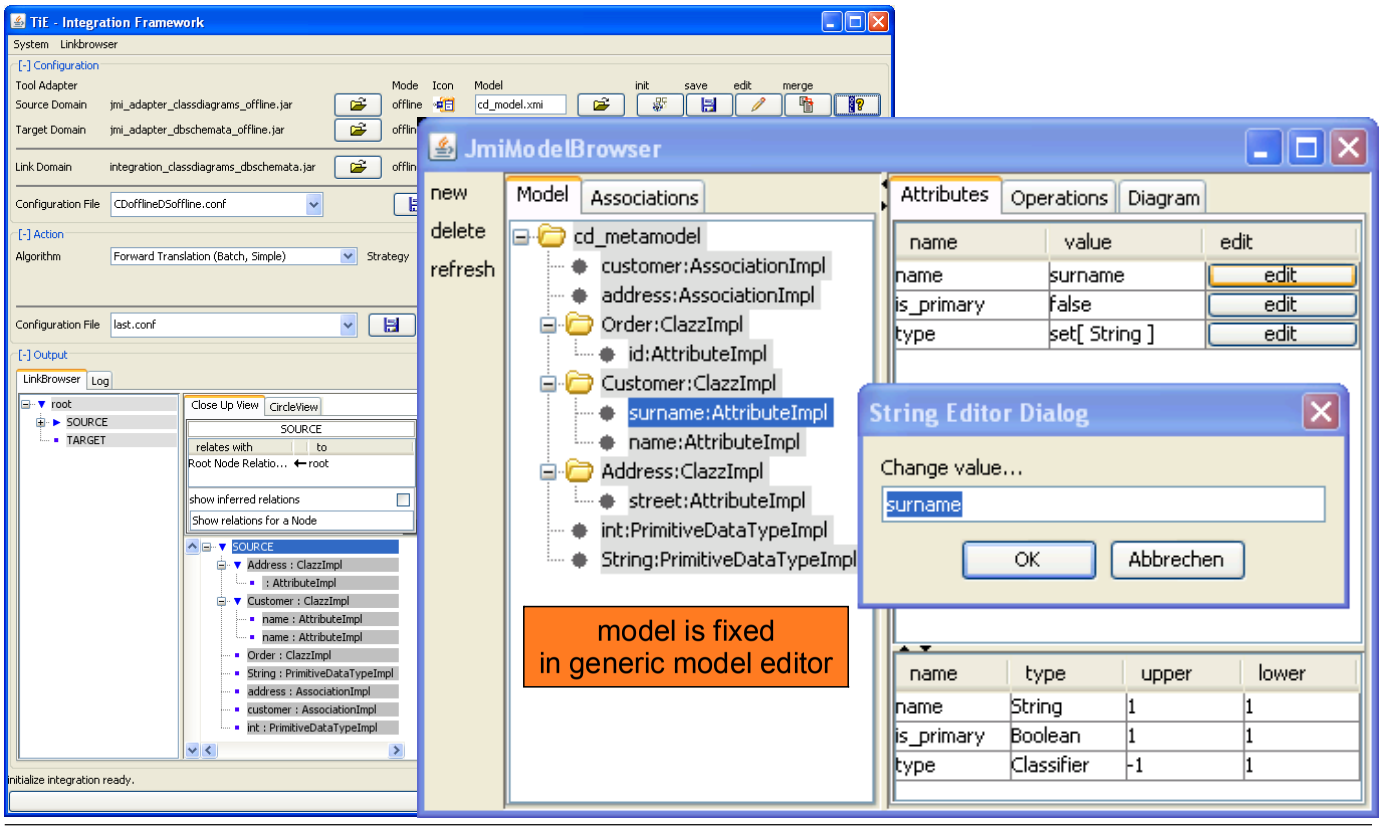

TiE-CDDS – Focus on Constraints in CD (4)
Integration Framework

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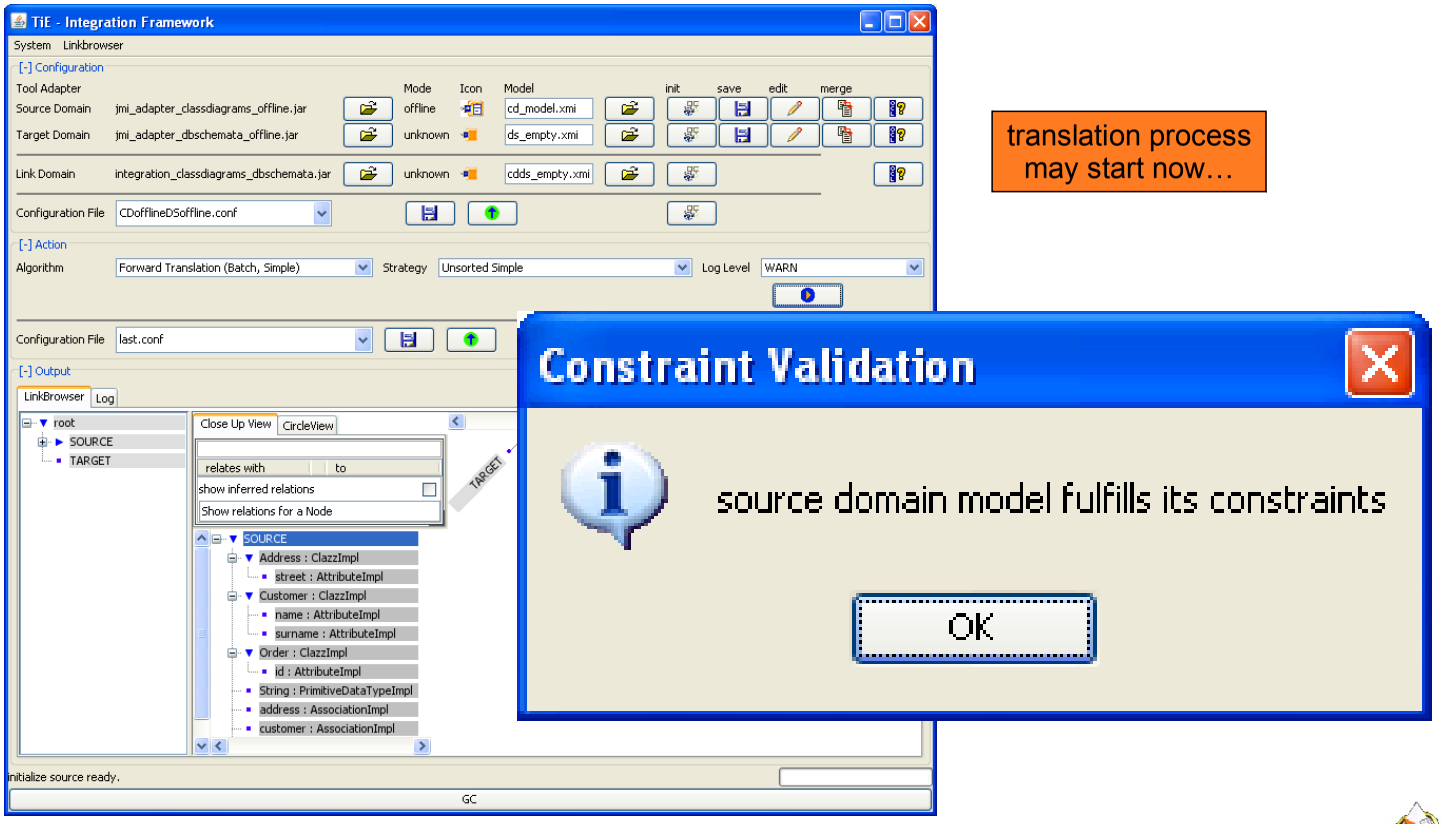

translation process may start now…

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TiE-CDDS – Focus on Constraints in CD (5)
Forward Translation to DB representation

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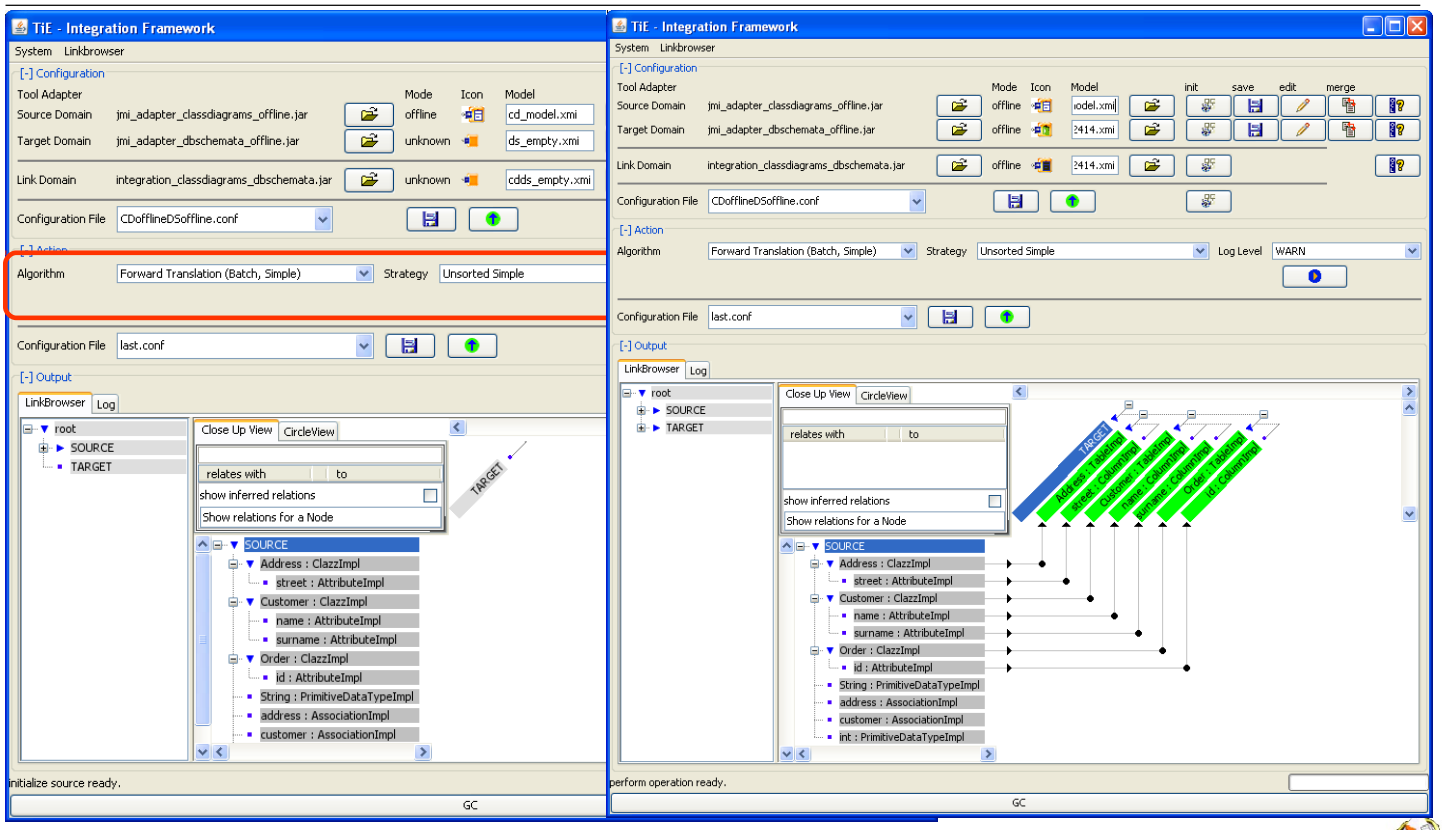

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Future Work – OCL

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- Activate more features of Dresden OCL in MOFLON
  - MOF editor
    - User friendly OCL syntax checking
    - OCL expression completion
  - MOFLON code generator
    - Initial Values (init)
  - Queries?
  - …
- We bootstrap our MOFLON MOF Metamodel periodically
  - Add more OCL constraints to our MOF Metamodel
  - Regenerate MOFLON MOF implementation
  - Activate constraint checking in MOFLON
    → Model Verification

Model-Driven Software Development at Real-Time Systems Lab (Prof. Schürr)

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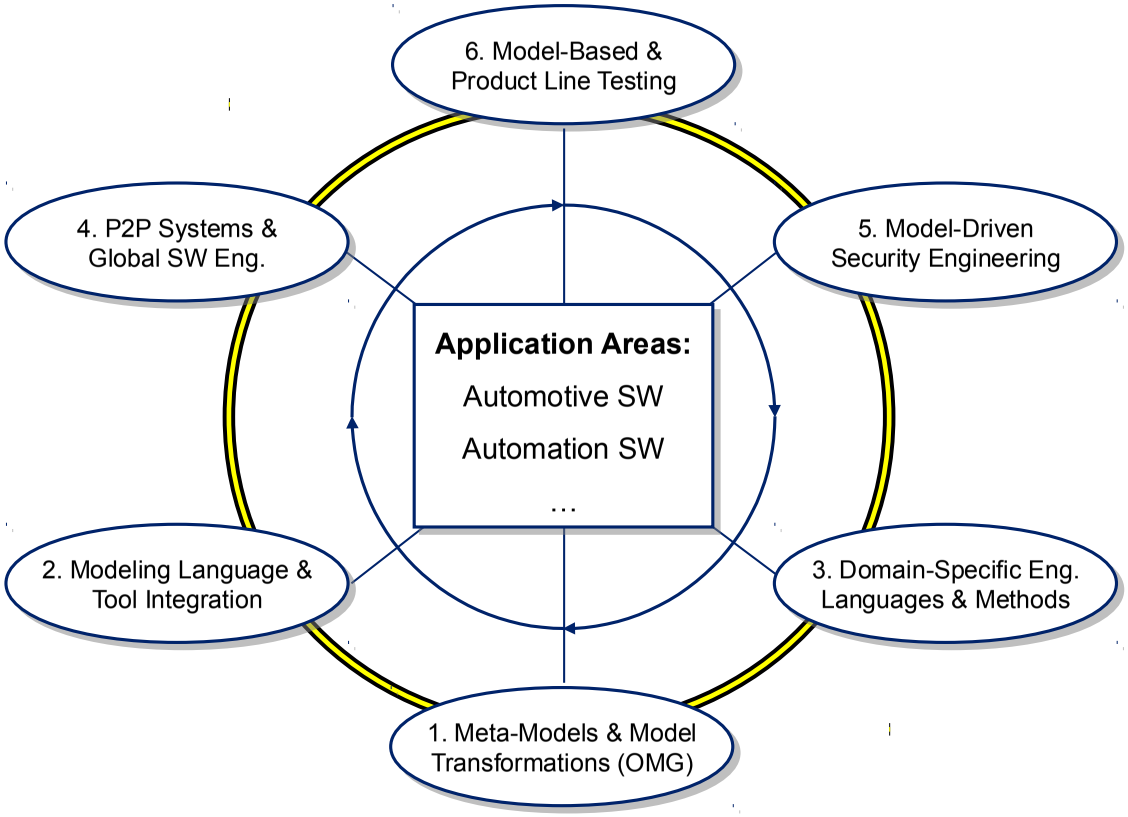

Related Approaches

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	standards		approaches based on graph-/modeltransformation			classic meta-CASE approaches						text based approaches			
	MOF, OCL, QVT	MOFLON	Fujaba & TGG	Progres & TGG	GME & GReAT	EMF & Tefkat	AToM^3	MetaEdit+	Microsoft DSL	EMF & GMF	Pounamu	DiaGen	EBNF & TXL	SQL	XML
Abstract syntax	+	+	+	+	o	o	o	+	+	o	+	+	+	o	+
Concrete syntax	--	--	--	+	+	--	+	+	+	+	+	+	--	--	--
Static semantics	+	+	o	+	+	+	o	o	--	+	o	+	o	o	--
Dynamic semantics	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	o	o	--	--	--	+	--	o
Model analysis	+	+	+	+	+	o	+	o	--	+	--	o	+	o	+
Model transformation	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	o	--	--	--	o	+	o	+
Model integration	+	+	+	+	o	+	--	--	--	--	--	--	o	--	o
Acceptability	+	+	o	--	o	+	--	+	--	o	+	o	o	+	+
Scaleability	+	+	--	o	--	o	--	o	--	--	--	--	--	--	o
Tool availability	--	o	o	+	+	+	+	+	o	o	+	+	+	+	o
Expressiveness	+	+	o	+	+	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	+	o	o

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Time for questions and discussion

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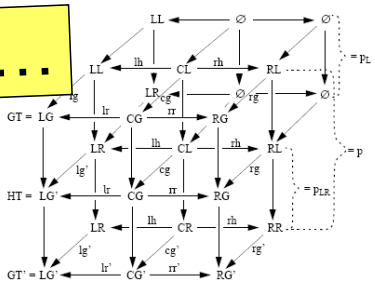

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