

## 25.3.1. The Metamodeling Architecture of MetaCASE Tool MOFLON



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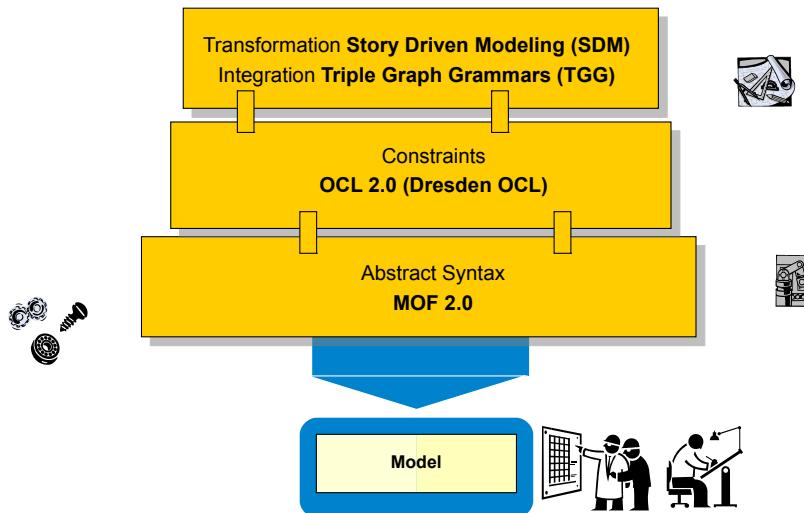
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## MOFLON MetaCASE – Main Features

- 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
- interoperability (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



## Metamodel Architecture of MOFLON



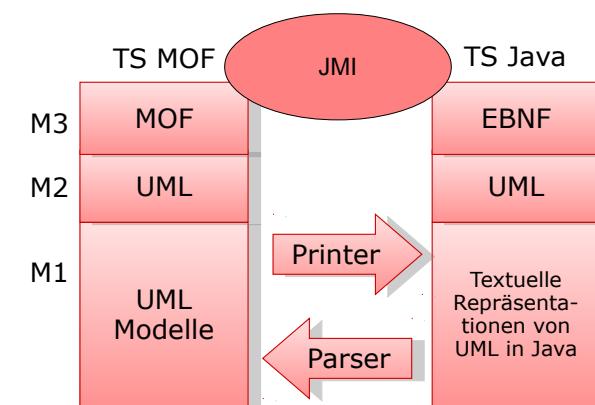
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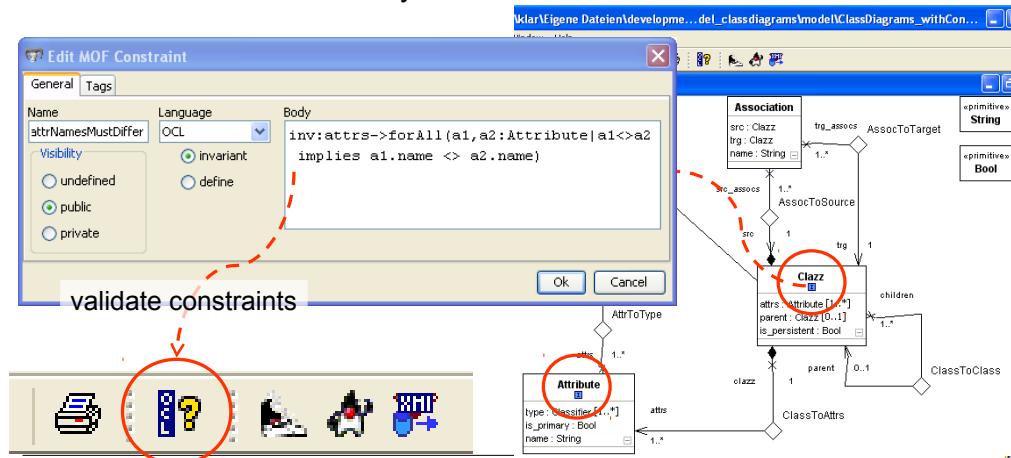
## Einschub: JMI: Transformative TS-Brücke für MOF und Java, Sprache UML

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



# (OCL) Constraints in MOFLON – MOF Editor

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

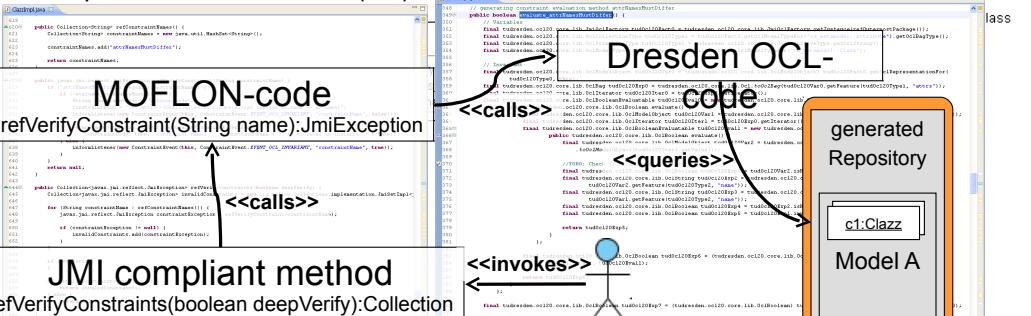
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# (OCL) Constraints in MOFLON – Generated Implementations

- 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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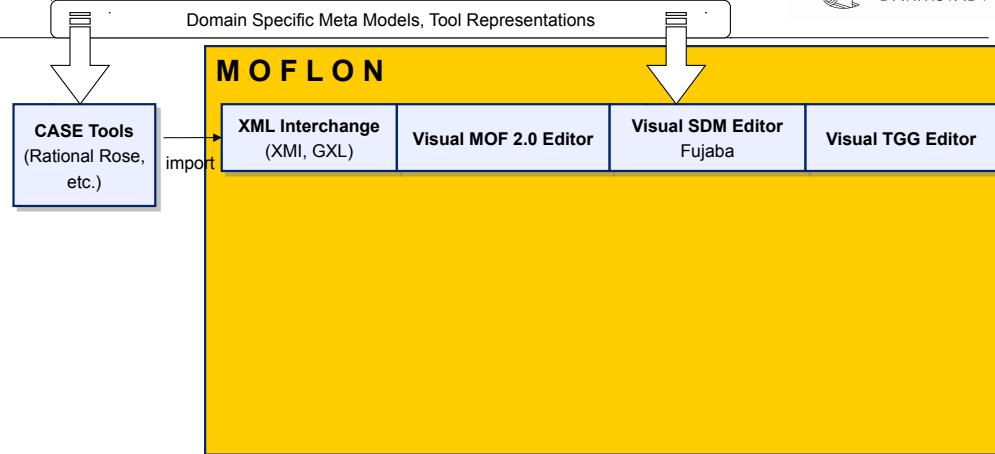
348 // generating constraint evaluation method attrNamesMustDiffer
349 public boolean evaluate_attrNamesMustDiffer() {
350     // Variables
351     final tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.JmiOclFactory tud0c120Fact0 = tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.JmiOclFactory.getInstance(refOutermostPackage());
352     final tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclCollectionType tud0c120Type1 = tud0c120Fact0.getOclModelTypeFor("cd_metamodel::Attribute").getOclBagType();
353     final tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclPrimitiveType tud0c120Type2 = tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclPrimitiveType.getOclString();
354     final tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclModelType tud0c120Type0 = tud0c120Fact0.getOclModelTypeFor("cd_metamodel::Clazz");
355
356     // Invariant
357     final tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclModelObject tud0c120Var0 = (tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclModelObject) tud0c120Fact0.getOclRepresentationFor(
358         tud0c120Type0, this);
359     final tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclIterator tud0c120Iter0 = tud0c120Exp0.getIterator();
360     final tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclBooleanEvalutable tud0c120Val0 = new tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclBooleanEvalutable();
361     final tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclBoolean eval0 = tud0c120Val0.evaluate();
362     public tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclBoolean evaluate() {
363         final tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclModelObject tud0c120Var1 = tud0c120Var0.getValue();
364         final tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclIterator tud0c120Iter1 = tud0c120Exp0.getIterator();
365         final tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclBooleanEvalutable tud0c120Val1 = new tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclBooleanEvalutable();
366         public tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclBoolean evaluate() {
367             final tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclModelObject tud0c120Var2 = tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclModelObject(tud0c120Iter1.getValue());
368             final tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclBoolean tud0c120Exp2 = tud0c120Var2.isNotEqual(tud0c120Var1);
369             final tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclString tud0c120Exp3 = tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.Ocl.toOclString(
370                 tud0c120Var2.getValue());
371             final tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclString tud0c120Exp4 = tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.Ocl.toOclString(
372                 tud0c120Var2.getValue());
373             final tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclBoolean tud0c120Exp5 = tud0c120Exp1.implies(tud0c120Exp4);
374
375             return tud0c120Exp5;
376         }
377     }
378
379     final tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclBoolean tud0c120Exp6 = (tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclBoolean) tud0c120Exp0.forAll(
380         tud0c120Iter1, tud0c120Val1);
381
382     return tud0c120Exp6;
383 }
384
385     final tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclBoolean tud0c120Exp7 = (tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclBoolean) tud0c120Exp0.forAll(tud0c120Iter0, tud0c120Val0);
386
387     return tud0c120Exp7.isTrue();
388 }
389
390     final tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclBoolean tud0c120Exp8 = (tudresden.ocl20.core.lib.OclBoolean) tud0c120Exp0.forAll(tud0c120Iter0, tud0c120Val0);
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392     return tud0c120Exp8.isTrue();
393 }

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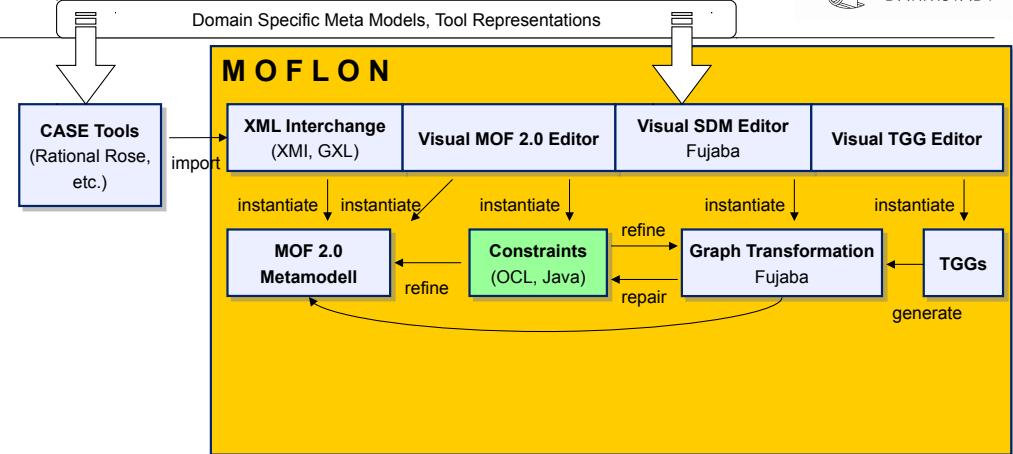
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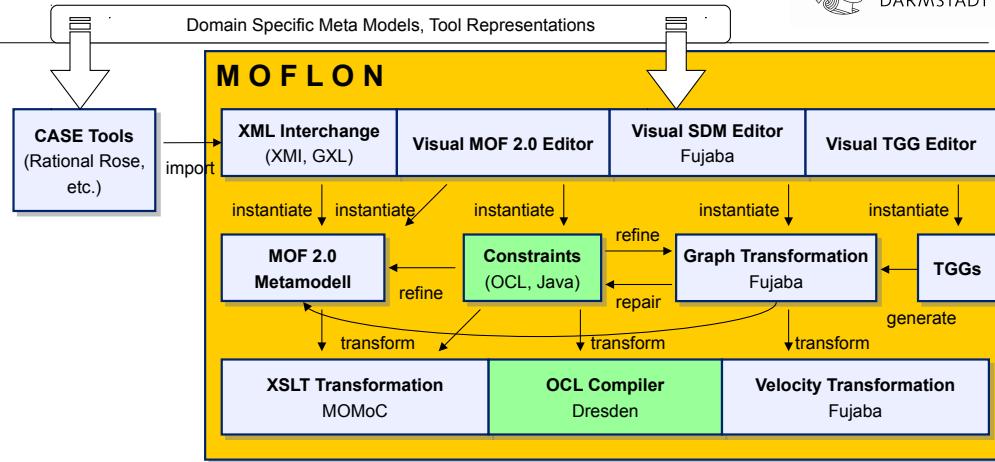
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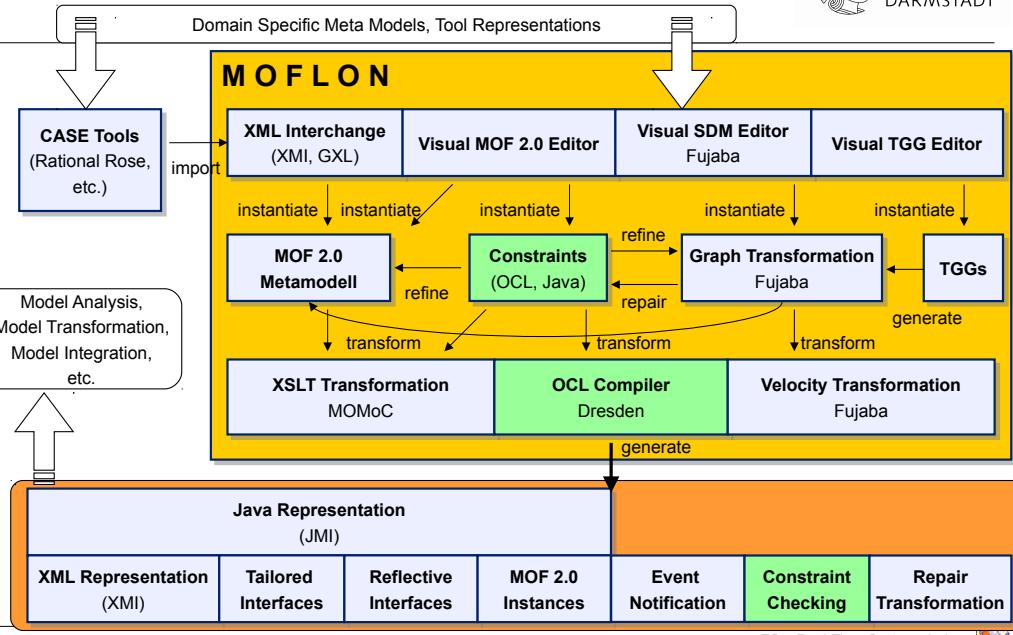
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## 26.2 MOFLON Case Study – Statechart Editor (STaX)



**Editor:**

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

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

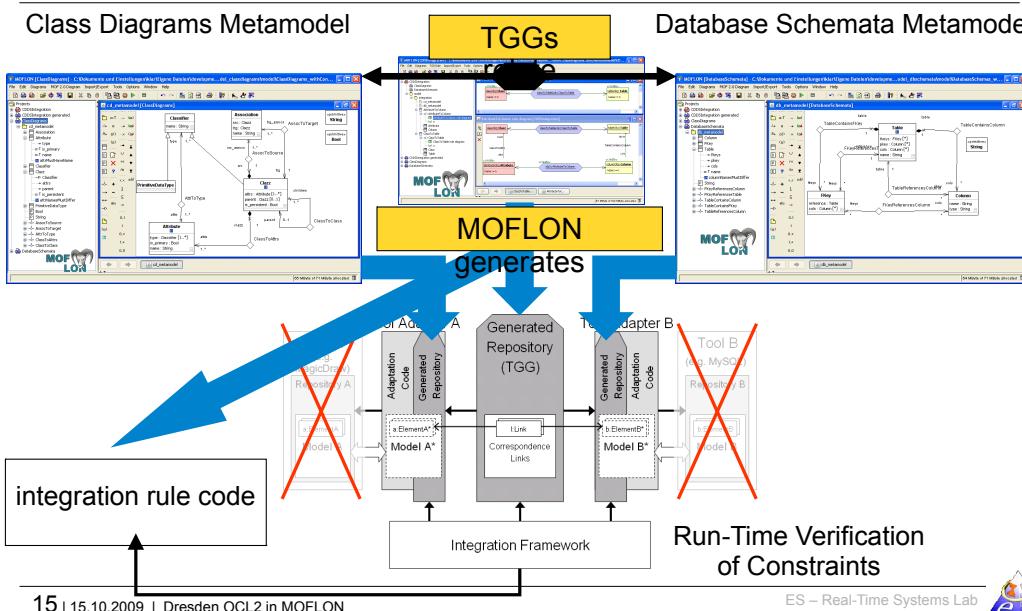
MOFLON is mainly used to
 

- integrate existing DSL tools
- generate standard compliant metamodel implementations
- specify transformations on instances of the metamodel

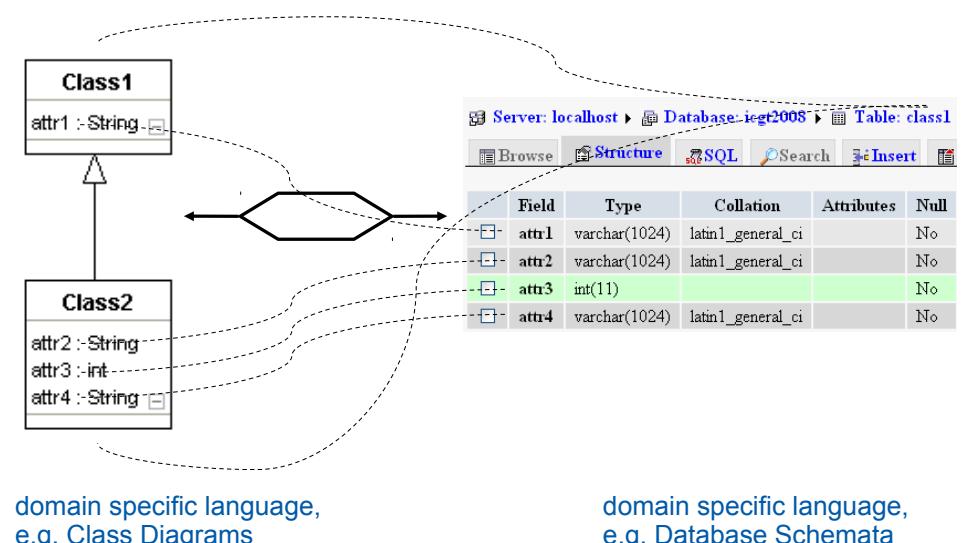
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## Case Study 2: Tool Integration Scenario TiECDDDS: (ClassD / DatabaseSchema)



## Integration Example with TGG – Class diagrams / database schemata



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



MOFLON [ClassDiagrams] - C:\Dokumente und Einstellungen\Klar\Eigene Dateien\Development\cd\_mof2.0\diagram\cd\_diagram\cd\_diagram\_withConstraints.mof

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Edit MOF Constraint

Name: attrNamesMustDiffer Language: OCL Body: inv: attrs->forall(a1,a2:Attribute| a1<>a2 implies a1.name <> a2.name)

General Tags

Project Preferences

Generate MOMoC-Code

Generate MOFLON-Code

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

**Constraint Validation**

source domain model does not fulfill its constraints:  
 constraint named „attrNamesMustDiffer“ is violated in instance: Customer: inv:attrs->forAll(a1,a2:Attribute)[a1<>a2 implies a1.name <> a2.name)  
 constraint named „attrMustHaveName“ is violated in instance: : inv: name.size()>0  
 association „cd\_metamodel.ClazzToAttrs“ memberEnd[ attrs: size of links is out of bounds in context:Order:cd\_metamodel.Clazz: should be [1,unbounded] but is 0: inv: attrs->size()>=1 and attrs->size()<=unbounded

**model violates constraints:**

- class „Customer“ has two attributes with same name: „name“
- attribute in class „Address“ has no name
- multiplicity violation: class „Order“ has no attribute but according to CD metamodel every class must have one

**visualization of classdiagrams model (here: source domain)**

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

**translation process may start now...**

**Constraint Validation**

source domain model fulfills its constraints

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

**model is fixed in generic model editor**

**String Editor Dialog**

Change value...  
 surname

**Attributes**

name	value	edit
name	surname	edit
is_primary	false	edit
type	set[ String ]	edit

**Operations**

name	type	upper	lower
name	String	1	1
is_primary	Boolean	1	1
type	Classifier	-1	1

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

**perform operation ready.**

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## Future Work – OCL

- 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



## Related Approaches

	standards	approaches based on graph-/modeltransformation	classic meta-CASE approaches	text based approaches
MOF, OCL, QVT	+	+	+	+
MOFLON	-	-	+	-
Fujaba & TGG	-	-	+	-
Progres & TGG	-	-	+	-
GME & GREAT	+	+	+	-
EMF & Tekla	+	+	+	-
ATOM <sub>3</sub>	-	-	0	0
Microsoft DSL	-	-	+	+
MetaEdit+	-	-	+	+
EMF & GMF	-	-	+	+
Pouramu	-	-	0	-
EBNF & TXL	-	-	+	-
DiagGen	-	-	0	-
SQL	-	-	0	-
XML	-	-	0	-
Abstract syntax	+	+	0	0
Concrete syntax	-	-	+	-
Static semantics	+	+	0	0
Dynamic semantics	+	+	+	0
Model analysis	+	+	0	0
Model transformation	+	+	+	0
Model integration	+	+	0	0
Acceptability	+	0	0	+
Scalability	+	0	0	0
Tool availability	0	0	+	0
Expressiveness	+	0	0	0

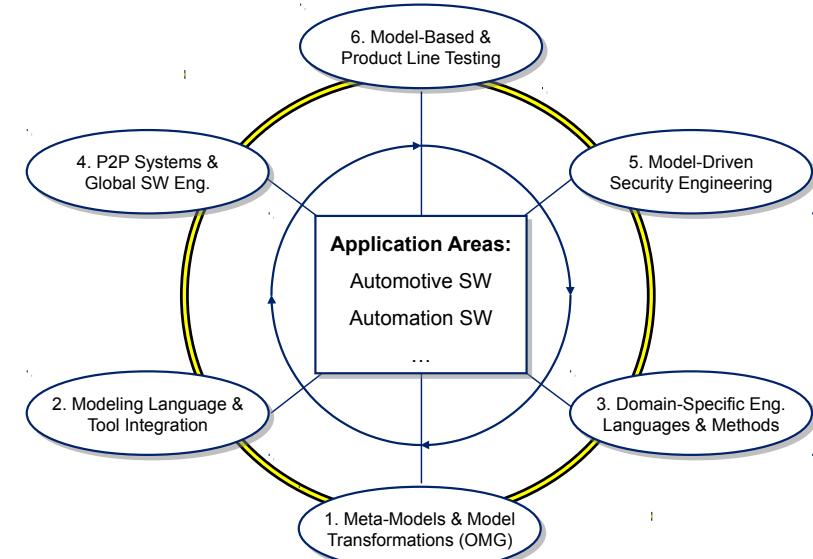
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