

# 13. Languages for Transformations and Rewriting

- 1) Datentransformation (DTL)
  - 1) Xcerpt
- 2) Graph rewriting

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## An Old Citation

There clearly remains more work to be done in the following areas:

- ▶ discovery of other properties of transformations that appear to have relevance to code optimization,
- ▶ development of simple tests of these properties, and
- ▶ the use of these properties to construct efficient and effective optimization algorithms that apply the transformations involved.

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## 13.1 Data Transformation Languages (DTL)

Text, XML, Term, and Graph Rewriting

## DTL und DML

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- ▶ Mit DML (Datenmanipulationssprachen) formt man Daten um.
- ▶ **Deklarative DML (Datentransformationssprachen, DTL)** bestehen aus Regeln, die ein Repository ohne die Spezifikation weiteren Steuerflusses transformieren.
  - Termersetzungsregeln, die Bäume oder Dags transformieren (Kap. 35)
  - Graphersetzungsregeln, die Graphen und Modelle transformieren (Kap. 36)
- ▶ **Imperative DML (allgemeine DML)** kennen Zustände und Seiteneffekte.
- ▶ Beispiele von deklarativen DML (DTL):
  - Xquery
  - Xcerpt als Strom-Manipulationssprache
  - XGRS und Fujaba als Graphtransformationssprachen (eigene Kapitel)



## Graphersetzungs-systeme

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- ▶ Graphersetzungs-systeme unterliegen der Einschränkung auf Baumdaten nicht.
  - Sie suchen und ersetzen Graphmuster in Graphen.
  - Graphersetzungs-systeme beschreiben Strukturen, d.h. können für strukturelle Werkzeuge eingesetzt werden
- ▶ Beispiele:
  - Softwareentwicklungsumgebung (Fujaba, MOFLON) reduziert vielfältige Aufgaben im Entwicklungsprozess auf Graphersetzung (und Logik)
    - [www.fujaba.de](http://www.fujaba.de)
    - Findet direkte Anwendung in der modellgetriebenen Entwicklung.
    - Übersetzung [Nag]
    - Verfeinerung im Entwurf [Schürr, Lewerentz]
    - Konfigurationsmanagement [Westfechtel].
  - Graphersetzungs-systeme können einfach zum Bau von Interpretierern eingesetzt werden <http://groove.cs.utwente.nl/>



## Termersetzungs-systeme

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- ▶ Ersetzungssysteme erlauben die Spezifikation von **transformativer Semantik (reduktiver Semantik)**
  - Sie arbeiten regelbasiert, deklarativ auf einem Heap
- ▶ **Term rewrite systems (Termersetzungs-systeme)** transformieren baumartige Datenstrukturen und operieren daher meist auf dem abstrakten Syntaxbaum (AST)
  - If pattern is a unordered tree, we speak of **tree rewriting**
  - If pattern is a term (ordered tree), we speak of **term rewriting**
- ▶ **XML-Rewrite Systems (XML-Ersetzungssysteme)** (Bsp. Xcerpt) work on XML-trees and can treat links
- ▶ Einsatz:
  - Identifikation von Baummustern
  - Verschlinkungen
  - oder Normalisierungen.
- ▶ Strategien:
  - Freies Ersetzen (chaotic rewriting): alle Regeln solange angewendet werden, bis das Repository sich nicht mehr ändert
  - Spezialstrategien: Die Spezifikation von Strategien möglich, die die Regeln in



## 13.1 The Query and Term Transformation Language Xcerpt

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A modern, declarative query and transformation language in the XML technical space

Xcerpt combines a DQL and a DTL



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## Xcerpt Data Terms (XML Terms)

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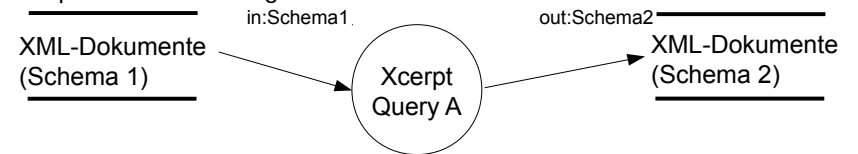
- ▶ Xcerpt data terms represent XML Terms with nice syntax
- ▶ Basic constructors for data terms:
  - **exact description of a collection of children:**
    - ordered list [...],
    - unordered set {...}
  - **partial description of a collection of children:**
    - ordered partial list [...]
    - unordered partial set {...}
  - **references/links:**
    - key id@, keyref ^id

```
<book><title>The Last Nizam</title></book>
equivalent to:
book [ title [ "The Last Nizam" ] ]
```

## Xcerpt: A Modern Web Query Language

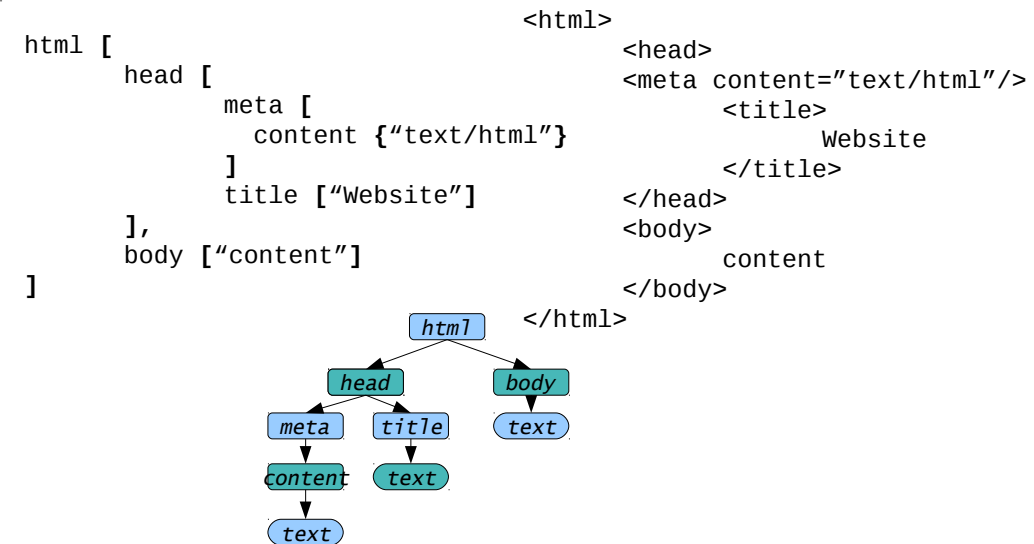
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- ▶ Xcerpt is a modern, pattern-based query language for XML formatted data
  - Terms, trees, and XML terms
  - Patterns match data w.r.t. document structure
  - Fully declarative, in contrast to Xquery
  - Rule-based, declarative Style of Logic Programming (LP)
  - Much more flexible than XPath, which supports only path-based selection
- ▶ Xcerpt is also a transformation language in form of a term rewrite system (Termersetzungssystem):
  - Separate query terms (left-hand side) and construct terms (right-hand side) not like in XQuery
  - it has "Construct terms" to simplify creation of new documents
- ▶ Xcerpt is stream-based: processes read and write streams
  - Xcerpt can be used as generator and transformer in DFD



## Xcerpt Data Terms

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## Xcerpt Query Terms

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- Ordered matching: data [ term [ ... X ] ]
- No order matching: data { term { ... X } }
- Ordered partial matching: [[ X ... ]]
- Unordered partial matching {{ ... X }}
- Queries connect query terms with logical expressions:  
and { ... }, or { ... }
- Variables can unify to subterms

▶ Query terms are data terms with variables prefixed by keyword "var"

```
title [ book [ var X ] ]
```

```
// the data base
bib [
  book [ title [ "The Last Nizam" ], author [ "John Zubrzycki" ] ],
  book [ title [ "In Spite of the Gods" ], author [ "Edward Luce" ] ]
]
```

## Xcerpt Query Terms

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```
library {{
  book {{
    var Author -> author {{
      surname {"Aßmann"}
    }},
    title [ var Title ]
  }}
}}
```

- ▶ Query matches all books with at least one author "Aßmann"
  - assigns the matched authors to variable Author
  - assigns the matched book titles to variable Title
- ▶ Produces a stream of a pair of variables (Author, Title)

## Xcerpt Query Terms

- 14 ▶ **Query terms** are data terms with variables prefixed by keyword "var"
- ▶ Construct Terms also use variables

```
// the result
"The Last Nizam",
"In Spite of the Gods"
```

```
book [[ title [ var X ] ]]
```

```
// the data base
book [ title [ "The Last Nizam" ], author [ "John Zubrzycki" ] ],
book [ title [ "In Spite of the Gods" ], author [ "Edward Luce" ] ]
```

## Xcerpt Transformation Rules

- 16 ▶ Combine Query and Construct Terms via common variables

```
// the result
title [ book [ "The Last Nizam" ] ],
title [ book [ "In Spite of the Gods" ] ]
```

```
FROM book [[ title [ var X ] ]]
CONSTRUCT title [ book [ var X ] ]
```

```
// the data base
book [ title [ "The Last Nizam" ], author [ "John Zubrzycki" ] ],
book [ title [ "In Spite of the Gods" ], author [ "Edward Luce" ] ]
```

## Xcerpt Programs

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- ▶ Xcerpt programs consist of rules and data-terms
  - 1+ goal rules
  - 0+ construct-query rules
  - 0+ data-terms

- ▶ *Construct rules (transformation rules: produce intermediate results (transformation FROM pattern match)*

```
CONSTRUCT <head> FROM <body> END
FROM <body> CONSTRUCT <head> END
```

Result schema of a rule

Goal schema

- ▶ *Goal rules: final output*

```
GOAL <head> FROM <body> END
```

- Where <head>: *construct term*; <body>: *query*

```
CONSTRUCT
  construct term
FROM
  query term
END
```

## Xcerpt Construct Terms

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- ▶ **Construct Terms** (transformation expressions, right-hand sides of a rule) construct arbitrary structured XML data

- access data from variables bound by query terms
- aggregate/re-group data
- can only have single brackets (no optional content)

- ▶ constructing one title/author pair in a result tag

```
result {
  var Title, var Author
}
```

- ▶ constructing a complete books result list grouped by full author name

```
booklist {
  all books {
    all var Author,
    var Title
  }
}
```

## Simple Xcerpt program

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- ▶ Matching query → variable bindings  
→ apply bindings to construct term

```
CONSTRUCT
  titles [
    all title [ var Title ]
  ]
FROM
  bib {{
    book {{
      title [ var Title ],
    }}
  }}
END
```

produce →

```
titles [
  title [
    "The Last Nizam" ],
  title [
    "In Spite of the Gods" ]
]
```

// the data base

```
bib [
  book [ title [ "The Last Nizam" ], author [ "John Zubrzycki" ] ],
  book [ title [ "In Spite of the Gods" ], author [ "Edward Luce" ] ]
]
```

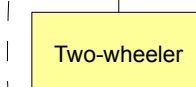
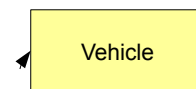
## Rule Dependencies in a Set of Rules (here: Transitive Closure)

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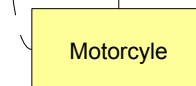
```
CONSTRUCT
  subclassof-deriv [ var Cls, var Cls ]
FROM
  or { subclassof [ var Z, var Cls ],
        subclassof [ var Cls, var Z ] }
END

CONSTRUCT
  subclassof-deriv [ var Sub, var Sup ]
FROM
  or { subclassof [ var Sub, var Sup ],
        and {
          subclassof [ var Sub, var Z ],
          subclassof-deriv [ var Z, var Sup ]
        }
  }
END

CONSTRUCT subclassof [ var Sub, var Sup ]
FROM
  in { resource { "file:...", "xml" },
        <query> }
END
```



subclassof-deriv



# 13.1.2 Code Transformations with Term Rewriting

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# Xcerpt Data Terms for Representing Expression Code

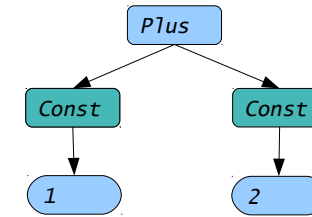
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```

Plus [
  Const [ 1 ],
  Const [ 2 ]
]
    
```

```

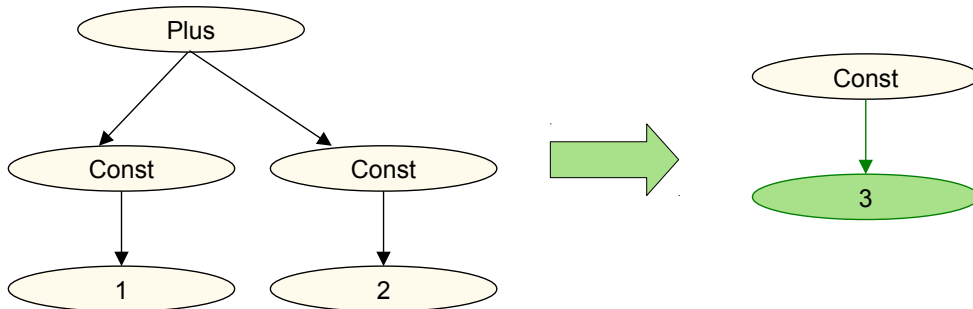
<Plus>
  <Const>
  </Const>
  <Const>
  </Const>
</Plus>
    
```



# Constant Folding

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- ▶ A **local rewriting (context-free rewriting)** matches a weakly connected left-hand side graph with a redex.
  - Matching of one redex can be done in constant time
- ▶ Subtractive because redexes are destroyed

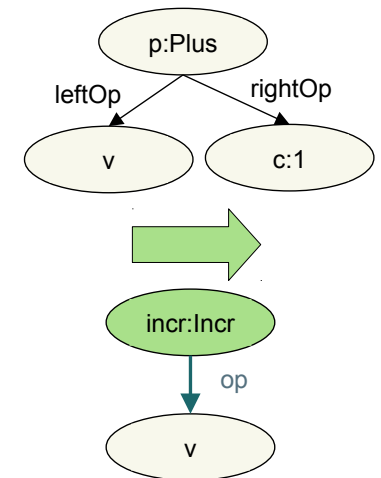


FROM Plus [ Const [ 1 ], Const [ 2 ] ] CONSTRUCT Const [ 3 ]

# Context-Free Local Rewritings: Operator Strength Reduction

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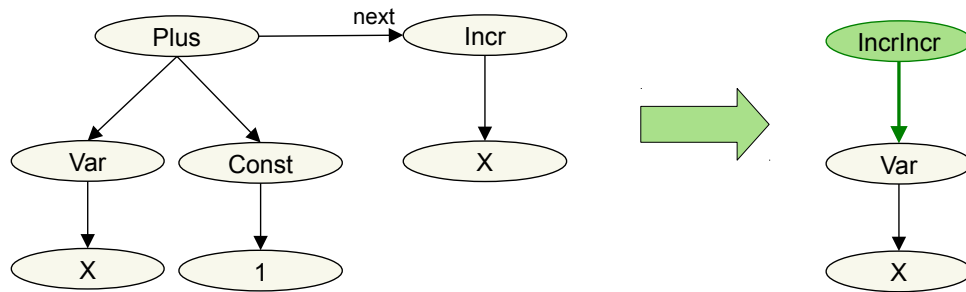
// if-then rules:  
 if leftOp(p:Plus,v),  
 rightOp(p,c:1),  
 then  
 Delete p,  
 Delete c,  
 Add incr:Incr,  
 op(incr,v);



FROM Plus [ leftOp [ var v ], rightOp [ c:1 ] ]  
 CONSTRUCT incr:Incr [ var v ]

## Peephole Optimization

- ▶ Peephole optimization is done on statement lists or trees
- ▶ Subtractive problem, because redexes are destroyed



## 13.1.3 Larger Xcerpt Programs

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## Modular Xcerpt

- ▶ *Modular Xcerpt* = Xcerpt + Module support
- ▶ [http://www.reuseware.org/index.php/Screenshot\\_LoadMXcerptProject\\_0.5.1](http://www.reuseware.org/index.php/Screenshot_LoadMXcerptProject_0.5.1)
- ▶ Declaring a module in Modular Xcerpt

```
MODULE module-id
  module-imports
  xcerpt-rules
```

- ▶ Declaring a module's interface

- Modular Xcerpt programs importing a module can reuse public construct terms

```
public construct term
```

- Modular Xcerpt programs can provide data to an imported module's public query terms

```
public query term
```

## Modular Xcerpt

- ▶ Modular Xcerpt is an Extension of Xcerpt for larger programs
- ▶ A query can be reused via a module's interface

```
IMPORT module AS name
```

- reuses public construct terms as a data provider for the given query term
 

```
in module ( query term )
```
- provides the given construct term to public query terms of an imported module
 

```
to module ( construct term )
```

```

IMPORT file:subclassof.mx AS mod

GOAL vehicles [ all var Sub ]
FROM mod (
  IN output [[
    subclassof [ var Sub,
                "Vehicle" ]
  ]]
END

CONSTRUCT TO mod (
  input [
    subclassof [
      var Sub, var Sup ]
  ])
FROM in { resource {
  "file:...", "xml" },
  <query> }
END

Result:
vehicles [
  "Vehicle", "Two-wheeler", "Motorcycle"
]

```

```

Reusable module, in file:subclassof.mx
MODULE subclassof-reasoner

CONSTRUCT public output [
  all subclassof [ var Sub, var Sup ] ]
FROM subclassof-deriv [ var Sub, var Sup ]
END

CONSTRUCT subclassof-deriv [ var Cls, var Cls ]
FROM or { subclassof [ var Z, var Cls ],
  Subclassof [ var Cls, var Z ] }
END

CONSTRUCT subclassof-deriv [ var Sub, var Sup ]
FROM or { subclassof [ var Sub, var Sup ],
  and { subclassof [ var Sub, var Z ],
  subclassof-deriv [ var Z, var Sup ] }
}
END

CONSTRUCT subclassof [ var Sub, var Sup ]
FROM public input [[
  subclassof [ var Sub, var Sup ] ] ]
END

```

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→ = data flow

## 13.2. Model Transformation and Program Optimization with Graph Rewrite Systems

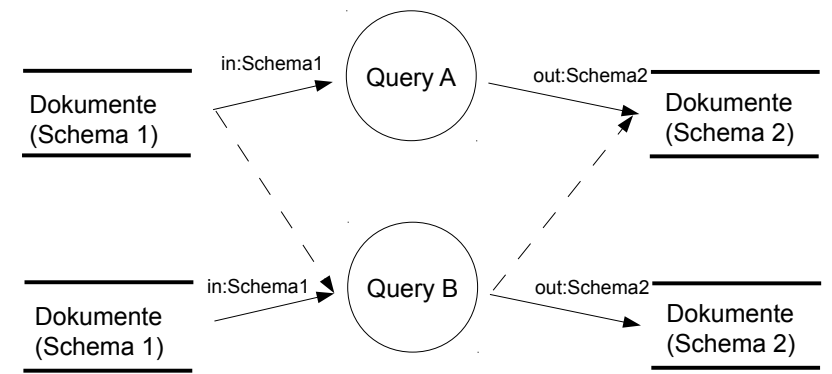
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- 1) Basic Setting
- 2) Examples
- 3) More on the Graph-Logic Isomorphism
- 4) Implementation in Tools
- 5) ATL

## Einsatz von QL in Werkzeugen

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Zwei stromtransformierende Werkzeuge können komponiert werden, falls ihre Ein- und Ausgabetypen übereinstimmen und keine Reihenfolge im Ausgabespeicher vorliegt.

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## 13.2.1 Using GRS for Analysis and Transformation of Models and Code

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## Problem and Goal

- ▶ MDSD tools need model transformations
- ▶ Compilers need program transformations

## Model Transformation and Optimization with Graph Rewriting

- ▶ Use the graph-logic-isomorphism: Represent everything in a program or a model as directed graphs
  - Program code (control flow, statements, procedures, classes)
  - Model elements (states, transitions, ...)
  - Analysis information (abstract domains, flow info ...)
- ▶ Directed graphs with node and edge types, node attributes
  - one-edge condition (no multi-graphs)
- ▶ Use edge addition rewrite systems (EARS) to
  - Query the graphs
  - Analyze the graphs
  - Map the graphs to each other
- ▶ Use graph rewrite systems (GRS) to
  - Construct and augment the graphs
  - Transform the graphs
- ▶ Preferably, the GRS should terminate (XGRS, exhaustive GRS)
- ▶ Use the graph-logic isomorphism to encode
  - Facts in graphs

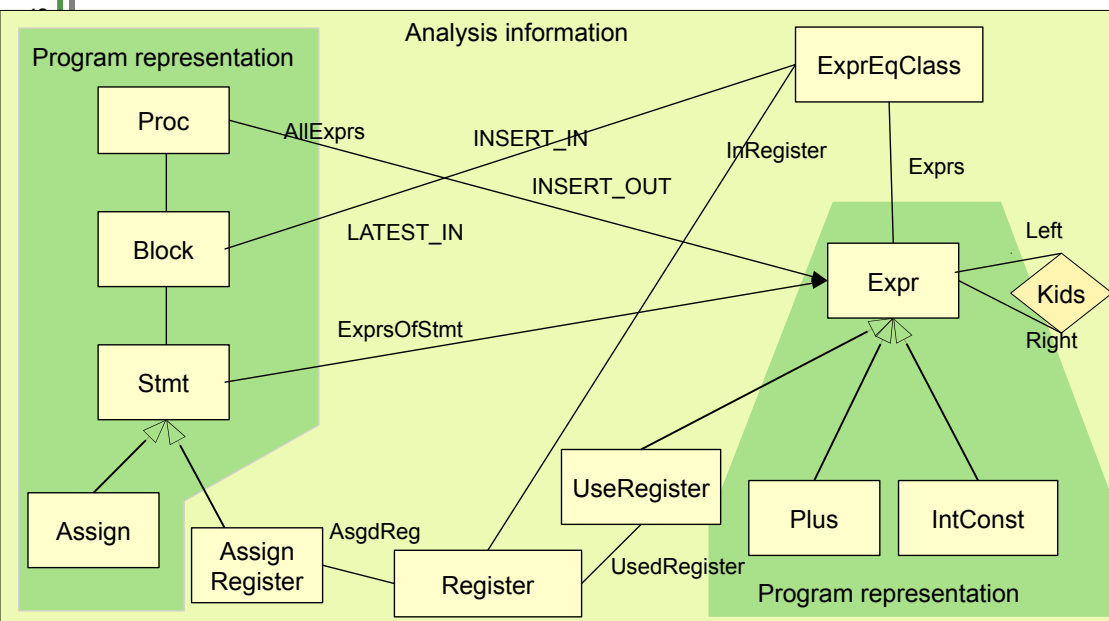
## Terminology for Automated Graph Rewriting

- ▶ **Graph rewrite rule:** rule (left, right hand side) to match left-hand side in the graph and to transform it to the right-hand side
- ▶ **Graph rewrite system:** set of graph rewrite rules
- ▶ **Start graph (axiom):** input graph to rewriting
- ▶ **Graph rewrite problem:** a graph rewrite system applied to a start graph
- ▶ **Manipulated graph (host graph):** graph which is rewritten in graph rewrite problem
- ▶ **Redex:** (reducible expression) application place of a rule in the manipulated graph
- ▶ **Derivation:** a sequence of rewrite steps on the manipulated graph, starting from the start graph and ending in the normal form
- ▶ **Normal form:** result graph of rewriting; manipulated graphs without further redex
- ▶ **Unique normal form:** unique result of a rewrite system, applied to one start graph
- ▶ **Terminating GRS:** rewrite system that stops after finite number of rewrites
- ▶ **Confluent GRS:** two derivations always can be commuted, resp. joined together to one result
- ▶ **Convergent GRS:** rewrite system that always yields unique results (terminating and confluent)

## Specification Process

- 1) Specification of the data model (graph schema)
  - Specification of the graph schema with a graph-like DDL (ERD, MOF, GXL, UML or similar):
    - **Schema of the program representation:** program code as objects and basic relationships. This data, i.e., the start graph, is provided as result of the parser
    - **Schema of analysis information** (the inferred predicates over the program objects) as objects or relationships
- 2) Program analysis (preparing the abstract interpretation)
  - Querying graphs, enlarging graphs
  - Materializing implicit knowledge to explicit knowledge
- 3) Abstract Interpretation (program analysis as interpretation)
  - Specifying the transfer functions of an abstract interpretation of the program with graph rewrite rules on the analysis information
- 4) Program transformation (optimization)
  - Transforming the program representation

## A Simple Program (Code) Model (Schema) in UML



## 13.2.2 Examples

## 13.2.1 Local Rewritings

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## Code Optimizations Expressible by Local Graph Rewritings

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- ▶ Local transformations of the program representation
  - copy propagation, constant propagation
  - loop optimizations (unrolling etc.)
  - branch optimization, strength reduction
  - idiom recognition
  - dead code elimination

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## 13.2.2. Complex Local Rewritings

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- On Dags (with joins) and Graphs (with cycles)

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## Example: Lazy Code Motion Transformation

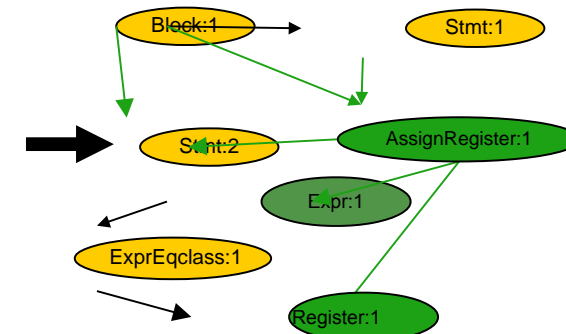
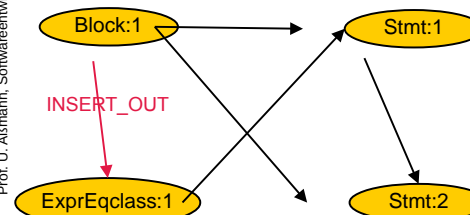
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```

if Stmts.last(Block, Stmt),
  INSERT_OUT(Block, ExprEqclass)
then
  new Register: Register;
  new Expr: Expr;
  new AssReg: AssReg;
  InRegister(ExprEqclass, Register),
  AsgReg(AssReg, Register),
  ExprsOfStmt(AssReg, Expr)
;
    
```

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- ▶ Insert expressions at an optimally early place
- ▶ INSERT\_OUT indicates, at which block-exit an expression should be made available



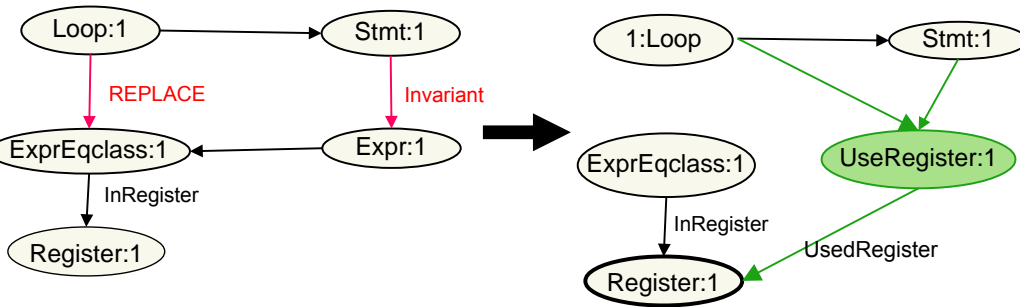
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## Loop Invariant Code Motion

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- Loop-invariant code motion moves code before loops which is over and over computed again in the loop (loop-invariant)

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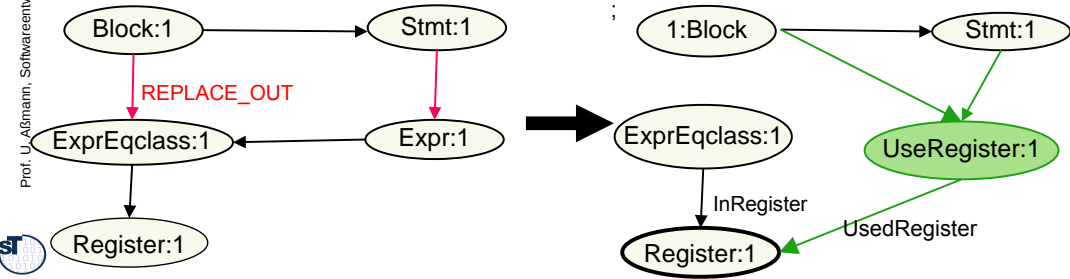
## Lazy Code Motion Transformation

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- REPLACE\_OUT indicates at which block-exist an expression should no longer be computed, but its result should be re-used from a register

if  $Stmts(Block, Stmt)$ ,  
 $ExprsOfStmt(Stmt, Expr)$ ,  
 $REPLACE\_OUT(Block, ExprEqclass)$ ,  
 $InRegister(ExprEqclass, Register)$ ,  
 $Computes(Expr, ExprEqclass)$   
 then  
 new UseReg:UseReg;  
 delete Expr;  
 $ExprsOfStmt(Stmt, UseReg)$ ,  
 $UsedReg(UseReg, Register)$

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## 60.3. Context-Sensitive Rewritings

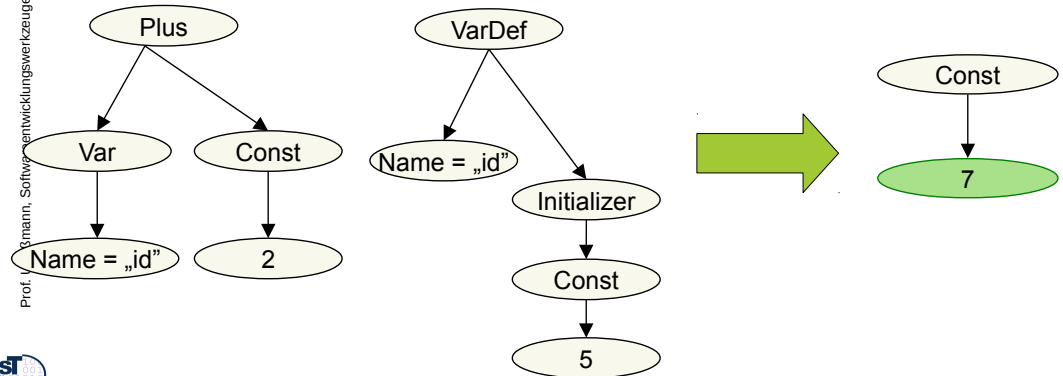
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## Extended Constant Folding as Subtractive GRS

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- A term rewrite system usually works context-free, i.e., matches and rewrites only one term.
- A **context-sensitive rewriting** matches a non-connected left-hand side graph with a redex.
  - Matching of one redex can be done in quadratic time, because non-connected nodes have to be pairwise compared

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## Covered Code Optimizations

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- ▶ Global transformations
  - lazy and busy code motion (loop invariant code motion)
  - message optimization

## 13.4. Model Transformations with ATL

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ATLAS Transformation Language  
Statt QVT ist in der Praxis auch ATL sehr beliebt  
<http://www.eclipse.org/atl/>

## ATL integrates OCL as Query Language

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```
// Transitive Hülle in ATL, mit Verwendung einer rekursiven OCL Query
rule computeTransitiveClosureBaseCase {
  from node: Node (
    // possible to call OCL expressions
    node->baserelation.collect( e | e.baserelation)->flatten() );
  )
  to newNode mapsTo node (
    // set new transitive relation
    newNode->transitiverelation <- node->baserelation
  )
}
rule computeTransitiveClosureRecursiveCase {
  from node: Node (
    node->transitiverelation.collect( e | e.baserelation)->flatten() );
  )
  to newNode mapsTo node (
    // set new transitive relation
    newNode->transitiverelation <- node->transitiverelation
  )
}
```

## Tools for Model-Driven Software Development

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- ▶ In MDS and MDA, horizontal and vertical model transformations should be specified with graph rewrite systems
- ▶ Example tools:
  - **Grgen** (Karlsruhe)
  - **Fujaba** (Kassel, Paderborn)
  - **MOFLON** (Darmstadt)
  - **VIATRA2** on EMF <http://eclipse.org/gmt/VIATRA2/>

## 13.5 More on the Logic-Graph Isomorphism

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## Limitations

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- ▶ Several optimizations can be specified with GRS which are not exhaustive (peephole optimization, constant propagation with partial evaluation).
- ▶ As general rule embedding is not allowed, a rule only matches a fixed number of nodes.
  - Thus those transformations, which refer to an arbitrary set of nodes, cannot be specified.

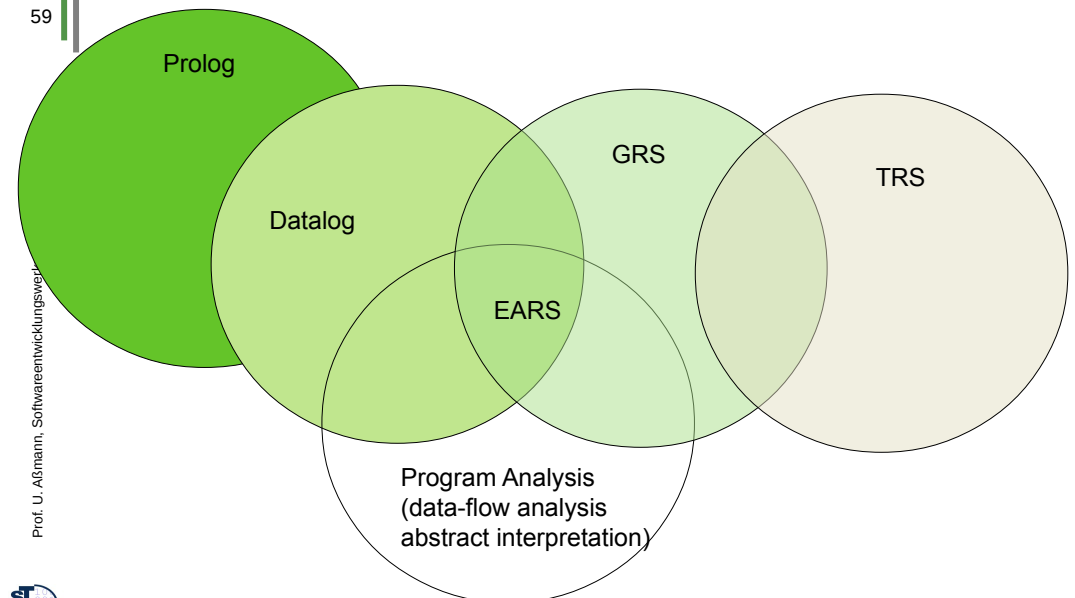
## Results

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- ▶ Theory:
  - If a termination graph can be identified, a graph rewrite systems terminates.
  - Graph rewriting, DATALOG and data-flow analysis have a common core: EARS
- ▶ Program optimization:
  - Spezifikation of program optimizations is possible with graph rewrite systems. Short specifications, fewer effort.
  - Practically usable optimizer components can be generated.
- ▶ Uniform Specification of Analysis and Transformation
  - If the program analysis (including abstract interpretation) is specified with GRS
  - It can be unified with program transformation

## The Common Core of Logic, Rewriting and Program Analysis

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## Efficient Evaluation Algorithms from Logic Programming

- ▶ „Order algorithm“ scheme [Aßmann00]
  - Variant of nested loop join
  - Easy to generate into code of a programming language
  - Works effectively on very sparse directed graphs
  - Sometimes fixpoint evaluations can be avoided
  - Use of index structures possible
  - Linear bitvector union operations can be used
- ▶ DATALOG optimization techniques can be employed
  - Bottom-up evaluation is normal, as in Datalog
  - Top-down evaluation as in Prolog possible, with resolution
  - semi-naive evaluation
  - index structures
  - magic set transformation
  - transitive closure optimizations

## Process: How to Build an Optimizer or Model Transformer

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- ▶ Specify the optimizer/model transformer in steps:
  - Preprocessing steps with XGRS and EARS
    - that convert the abstract syntax tree to an abstract syntax graph with definition-use relations
    - that diminish the domains of the analyses (e.g., equivalence classing)
    - that build summary information for procedures
    - that build indices for faster (constant) access
  - Analyses: specify abstract interpretations with EARS
    - reaching-definition information, value flow information
    - SSA
  - Transformation: apply XGRS and stratifiable XGRS

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## Practical Features

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- ▶ Short specifications
  - expression equivalence classes 30 rules
  - DFA reaching definitions 20-40
  - copy propagation 5
  - lazy code motion 5
- ▶ Velocity:
  - Tool Optimix generates the Order algorithm for a GRS
  - Compiler with generated components is slower, but ..
  - important algorithms run as fast as hand-written algorithms (DFA)
- ▶ Flexibility:
  - intermediate language CCMIR for C (CoSy), Modula-2, Fortran (Aßmann)
  - Model transformations (Alexander Christoph)
  - Aspect weaving (Aßmann, Heidenreich, many others)
  - Refactorings (Aßmann, Mens)
- ▶ OPTIMIX 2.5 on [optimix.sourceforge.net](http://optimix.sourceforge.net)
  - Works with CoSy, Cocktail, or plain C
  - A prototype code generator for Java exists

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