23. Link-TreeWare for Exchange Formats: Languages for Link-Tree Querying, Transformations and Rewriting

XML, JSON as Link-TreeWare

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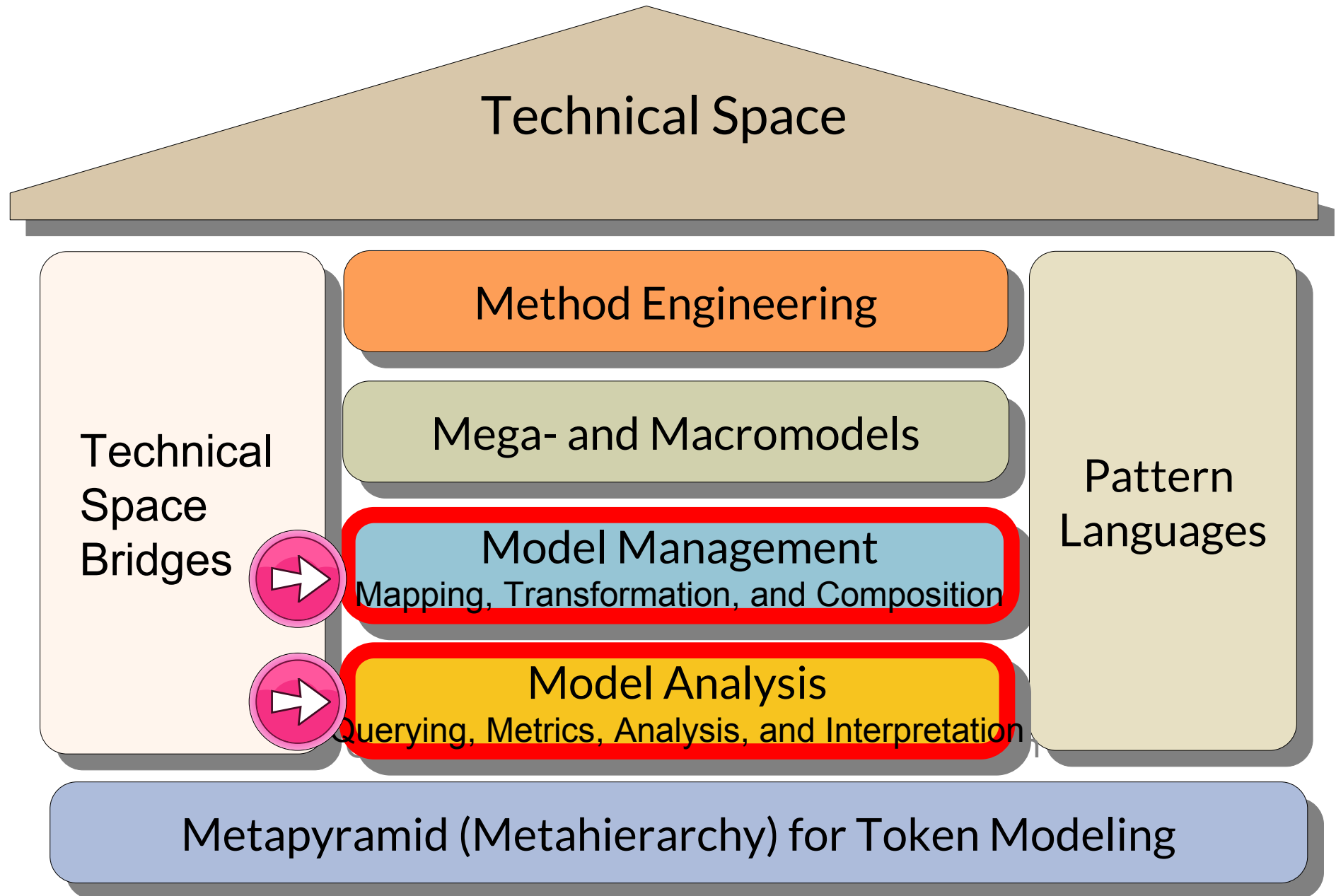
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RAGs, Template Expansion, Invasive Composition

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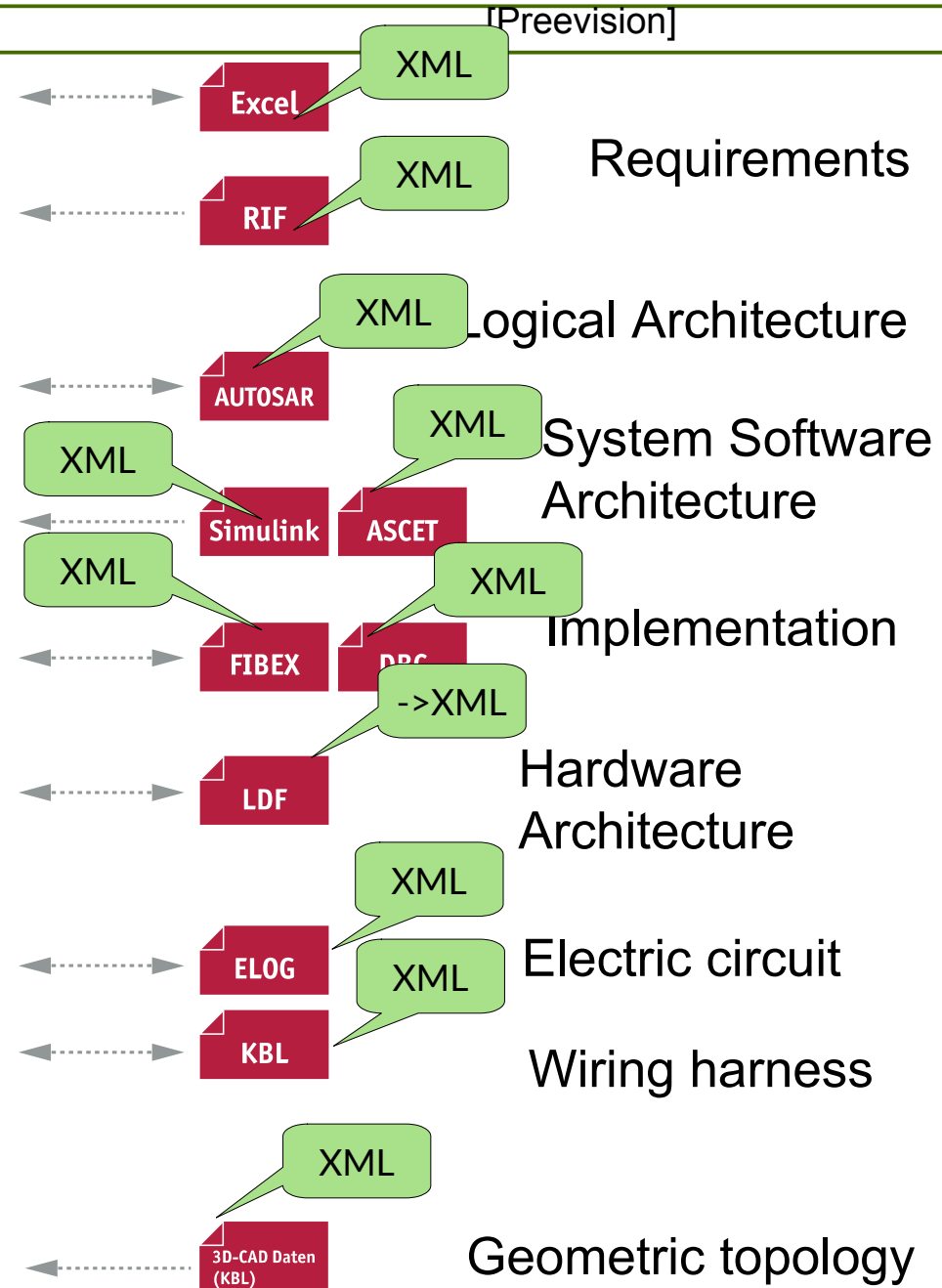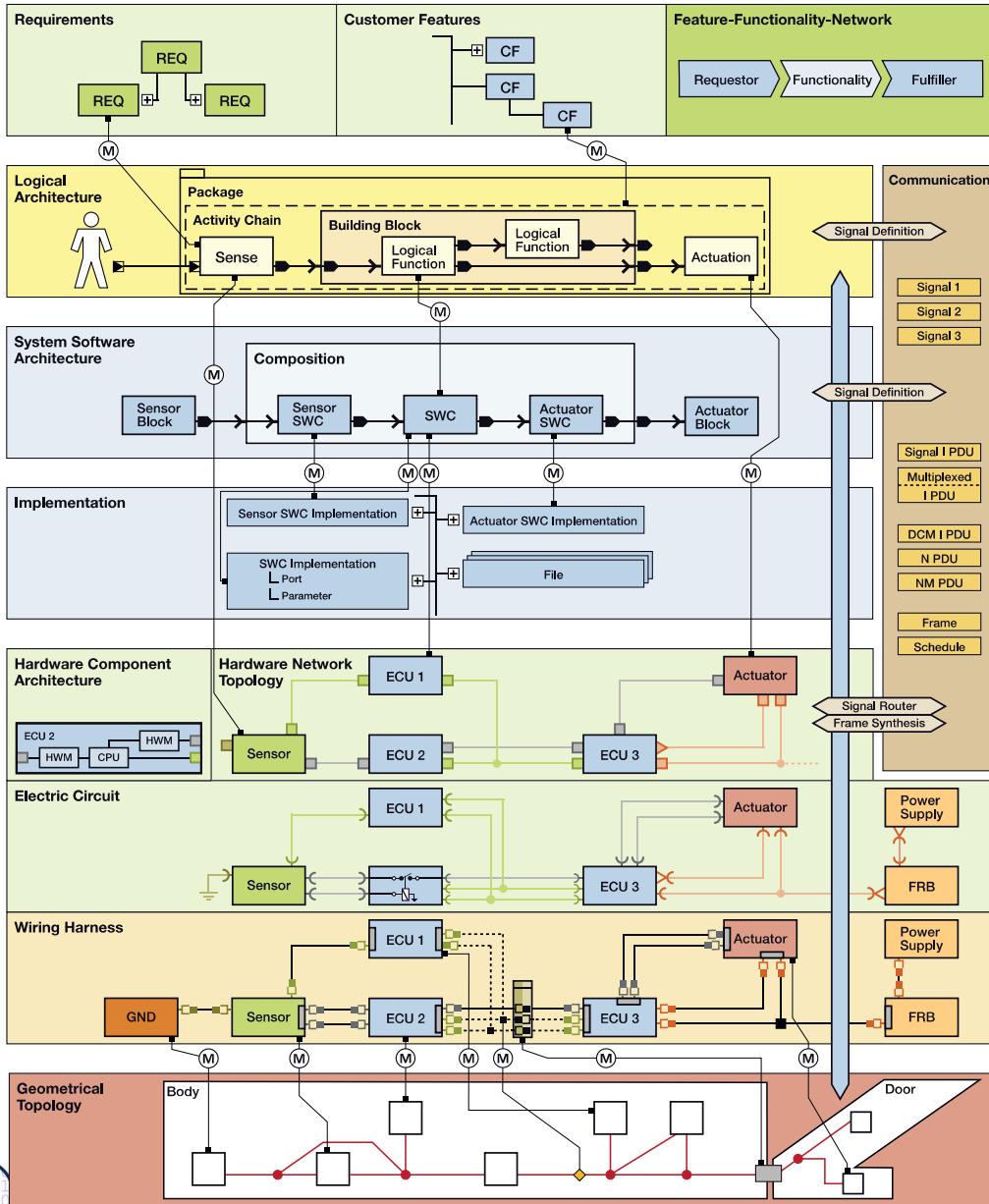
Why Do We Need LinkTreeWare in MDSD Tools?

- ▶ Link trees can be pretty-printed and re-read with linear or quasi-linear speed.

- ▶ Therefore, they form ideal exchange formats for

  - ▪ Data exchange between Tools

  - ▪ Technical space bridges

- ▶ Every MDSD tool uses current Treeware formats, such as JSON, XML, Xcerpt DT, EMF.

  Examples:

- ▶ OfBiz of Apache https://ofbiz.apache.org/ is a framework with about 20 XML dialects for business software

  - ▪ https://ofbiz.apache.org/business-users.html#UsrModules

    - · General Double Ledger

    - · Financial Reporting

    - · Order Management

  - ▪ https://cwiki.apache.org/confluence/display/OFBIZ/Documentation#Documentation-GeneralXMLDefinitions

- ▶ PreeVision has many XML formats

Remember the Big Example: Car Design with PREEVision (Vector): Interoperability with XML Link Trees

[Preevision]

Excel — XML

RIF — XML

Requirements

AUTOSAR — XML

Logical Architecture

Simulink — XML   ASCET — XML

System Software Architecture

FIBEX — XML   DBC — XML

Implementation

LDF — ->XML

Hardware Architecture

ELOG — XML

Electric circuit

KBL — XML

Wiring harness

3D-CAD Daten (KBL) — XML

Geometric topology

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23.1 Data Definition Languages (DDL) for Link Trees

The basic layer of LinkTreeWare M2

Link TreeWare

▶ A *link tree* is a tree with secondary cross-links. We call the primary tree the *skeleton tree*, and the secondary links form the *overlay graph*.

▶ An **attributed link tree (ALT)** is a link tree with attributes, overlay-graph representations

▶ A *map tree (associative tree)* is a tree of maps, i.e., a tree of associative arrays.

▶ A *map link tree* is a map tree with (secondary) cross-links.

▶ Examples of map link trees:

  ▪ A JSON document

  ▪ An XML document

  ▪ An EMF tree

▶ Specification languages (DDL) for link trees *extend RTG* with names (anchors) and links to these names

23.1.1 JSON Associative Map Trees

► http://json-schema.org/examples.html

► Michael Droettboom, et al. Understanding JSON Schema, Release 1.0. Space Telescope Science Institute, October 12, 2015

  ▪ http://spacetelescope.github.io/understanding-json-schema/ UnderstandingJSONSchema.pdf

JSON

- ▶ JSON is a family of link map tree languages, mainly for syntax trees, NOT for markup
- ▶ JSON is block-structured with angle brackets; list and set constructors
- ▶ JSONoften used as exchange format
- ▶ Metalanguage JSONSchema is a lifted DDL and similar to a RTG with maps
- ▶ Example:

```
// JSON Schema of objects with names and ages
{
    "title": "Example Schema",
    "type": "object",
    "properties": {
        "firstName": {  "type": "string"    },
        "lastName": {   "type": "string"    },
        "age": {
            "description": "Age in years",
            "type": "integer",
            "minimum": 0
        }
    },
    "required": ["firstName", "lastName"]
}
```

```
// JSON instance of objects with names and ages
{
        "object": { "firstName": „Uwe",
                    "lastName": "Aßmann",
                    "age": { 27 }
        }
        "object": { "firstName": „John",
                    "lastName": "Smith"
        }
}
```

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```
{ "$schema": "http://json-schema.org/draft-04/schema#",
   "title": "Product set",
   "type": "array",
   "items": {
      "title": "Product",
      "type": "object",
      "properties": {
        "id": { "description": "The unique identifier for
             a product",
           "type": "number"
        },
        "name": {  "type": "string"  },
        "price": { "type": "number",
           "minimum": 0,
           "exclusiveMinimum": true
        },
        "tags": {   "type": "array",
           "items": {  "type": "string"      },
           "minItems": 1,
           "uniqueItems": true
        },
        "dimensions": {  "type": "object",
           "properties": { "length": {"type": "number"},
             "width": {"type": "number"},
             "height": {"type": "number"}
           },
           "required": ["length", "width", "height"]
        },
        "warehouseLocation": {
           "description": "Coordinates of the warehouse
             with the product",
           "$ref": "http://json-schema.org/geo"
        }
      },
      "required": ["id", "name", "price"]
   }
}
```

```
// instance
[
   {
      "id": 2,
      "name": "An ice sculpture",
      "price": 12.50,
      "tags": ["cold", "ice"],
      "dimensions": {
         "length": 7.0,
         "width": 12.0,
         "height": 9.5
      },
      "warehouseLocation": {
         "latitude": -78.75,
         "longitude": 20.4
      }
   },
   {
      "id": 3,
      "name": "A blue mouse",
      "price": 25.50,
      "dimensions": {
         "length": 3.1,
         "width": 1.0,
         "height": 1.0
      },
      "warehouseLocation": {
         "latitude": 54.4,
         "longitude": -32.7
      }
   }
]
```

[IETF-
JSON]

EMF as Link Tree DDL

▶ EMF is link-tree structured because it has a primary aggregation hierarchy, but also allows for general links

▶ A skeleton tree can be identified in all EMF link trees

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23.1.2 Technical Space Link-Treeware with Metalanguages for XML

Data in tree format with overlaying links (references)

XML

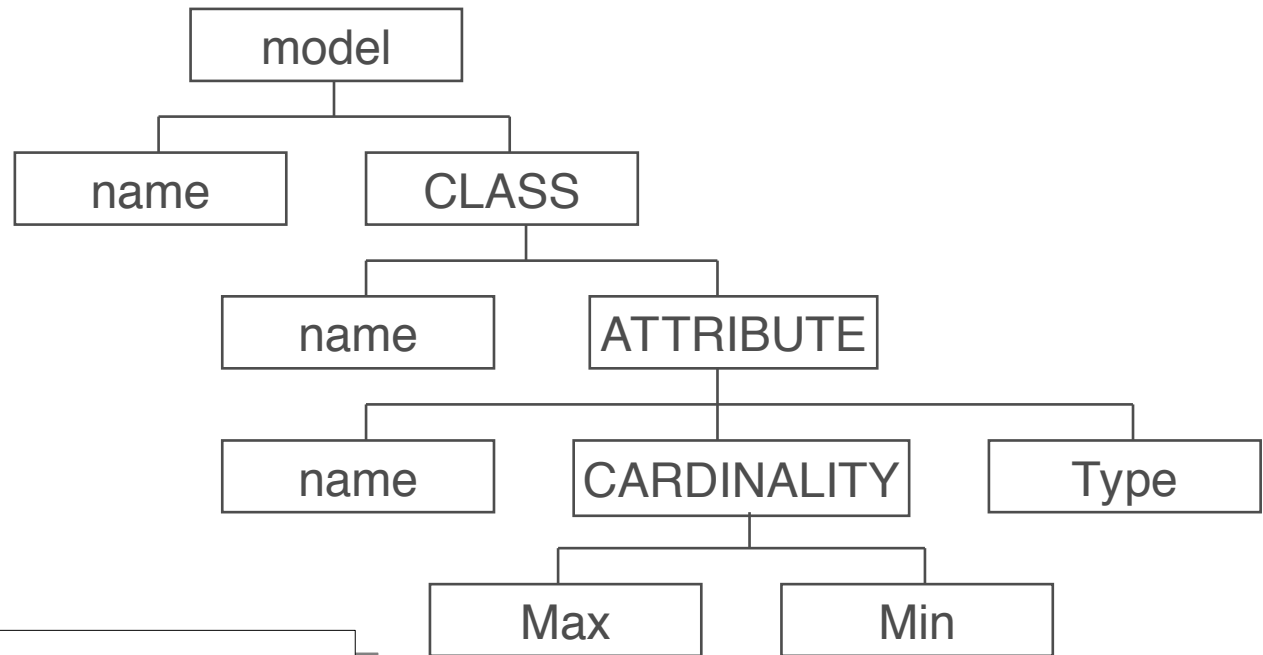- ▶ XML is a family of link-tree languages, mainly for
    - ▪ Markup of data
    - ▪ Syntax trees
- ▶ http://www.w3.org/XML
- ▶ XML is block-structured with "tag" brackets; only list, no set constructor
- ▶ XML often used as exchange format
- ▶ XML metamodels on M2 can be defined with several metalanguages on M3
    - ▪ Document Type Definitions (DTD): special DDL
    - ▪ XML Schema Definition (XSD) is a lifted DDL and similar to a RTG with maps
    - ▪ RelaxNG: special DDL

Document Type Definition (DTD) for XML

▶ A **DTD** is a simple metalanguage for XML

▶ Based on regular tree grammars (RTG)


```
<! ELEMENT model (name, CLASS)>
<! ELEMENT CLASS (name, ATTRIBUTE*)>
<! ELEMENT name #PCDATA REQUIRED>
<! ELEMENT ATTRIBUTE (name, CARDINALITY?, Type?)>
<! ELEMENT CARDINALITY (Min, Max)>
<! ELEMENT Min (#PCDATA) REQUIRED>
<! ELEMENT Max (#PCDATA)>
<! ELEMENT Type (#PCDATA)>
```

[Tolksdorf, R.: XML und darauf basierende Standards: Die neuen Aufzeichnungssprachen des Web; Informatik-Spektrum 22(1999) H. 6, S. 407 - 421]

Example for an XML Document Instance

▶ Uses all ELEMENTs of a XSD or DTD as "tags" in an XML model

```
<? xml version = „1.0"?>
<! DOCTYPE oomodel SYSTEM „oom.dtd">
<model>
  <name> „Model 1" </name>
  <CLASS>
   <name> „Class 1" </name>
   <ATTRIBUTE>
      <name> „attribute 1" </name>
      <CARDINALITY>
           <Min> „1" </Min>
           <Max> „1" </Max>
      </CARDINALITY>
      <Type> „Class 1" </Type>
   </ATTRIBUTE>
  </CLASS>
</model>
```
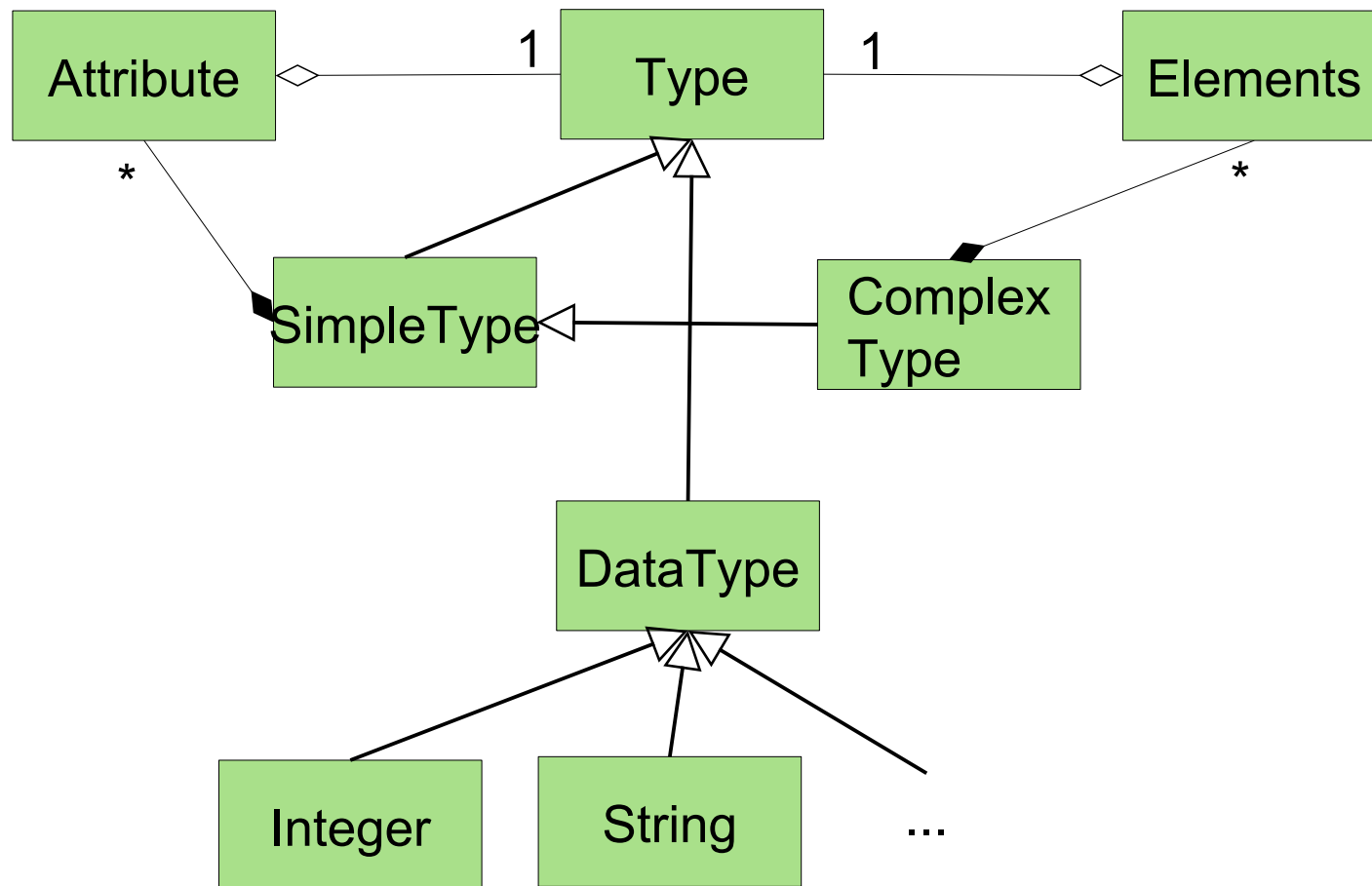
Ex.: DTD for Property Lists in XML

```
<!ENTITY % plistObject "(array | data | date | dict | real | integer | string |
    true | false )" >
<!ELEMENT plist %plistObject;>
<!ATTLIST plist version CDATA "1.0" >
<!-- Collections -->
<!ELEMENT array (%plistObject;)*>
<!ELEMENT dict (key, %plistObject;)*>
<!ELEMENT key (#PCDATA)>
<!--- Primitive types -->
<!ELEMENT string (#PCDATA)>
<!ELEMENT data (#PCDATA)> <!-- Contents interpreted as Base-64 encoded -->
<!ELEMENT date (#PCDATA)> <!-- Contents should conform to a subset of ISO 8601
    (in particular, YYYY '-' MM '-' DD 'T' HH ':' MM ':' SS 'Z'.  Smaller units
     may be omitted with a loss of precision) -->
<!-- Numerical primitives -->
<!ELEMENT true EMPTY>  <!-- Boolean constant true -->
<!ELEMENT false EMPTY> <!-- Boolean constant false -->
<!ELEMENT real (#PCDATA)> <!-- Contents should represent a floating point
    number matching ("+" | "-")? d+ ("."d*)? ("E" ("+" | "-") d+)?
    where d is a digit 0-9.  -->
<!ELEMENT integer (#PCDATA)> <!-- Contents should represent a (possibly
    signed) integer number in base 10 -->
```

XML Schema Definition (XSD)

- ▶ XSD is a metalanguage (lifted metamodel) for the definition of XML-dialects
- ▶ For definition of the valid "tags" and their structure
    - – XML-Syntax
- ▶ MOF-metamodel von XSD:

XML Example

```
<treatment>
  <patient insurer="1577500"nr='0503760072'/>
  <doctor  city   ="HD"      nr='4321'/>
```

simple

```
<service>
   <mkey>1234-A</mkey>
   <date>2001-01-30</date>
   <diagnosis>No complications.
   </diagnosis>
</service>
```

complex

```
</treatment>
```

[W. Löwe, Linnaeus Universitet Växjö]

Example: Definition of Simple and Complex Tag Types with XML Schema (XSD)

```xml
<simpletype name='mkey' base='string'>
  <pattern value='[0-9]+(-[A-Z]+)?'/>
</simpletype>

<simpletype name='insurer' base='integer'>
  <precision value='7'/>
</simpletype>

<simpletype name='myDate' base='date'>
  <minInclusive value='2001-01-01'/>
  <maxExclusive value='2001-04-01'/>
</simpletype>

<complextype name='treatment'>
  <element name='patient' type='patient'/>
  <choice>
    <element ref='doctor'/>
    <element ref='hospital'/>
  </choice>
  <element ref='service' maxOccurs='unbounded'/>
</complextype>
```

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Example:
XML Schema Attributes

```
<complextype name='patient' content='empty'>
  <attribute ref ='insurer' use='required'/>

  <attribute name='nr' use='required'>
    <simpletype base='integer'>
      <precision value='10'/>
    </simpletype>
  </attribute>

  <attribute name='since' type='myDate'/>
</complextype>
```

23.2. Flat Analysis on Link Trees

Analysis with Query Languages (Anfragesprachen)

▶ Query languages (QL) are used for analysis:

- Match patterns in models or entire repositories

- Query reachability of model elements

- Count elements (metrics)

- Filter streams

▶ Applications:

- QL with transformations are useful for writing Filters

- Consistency Checking in Trees
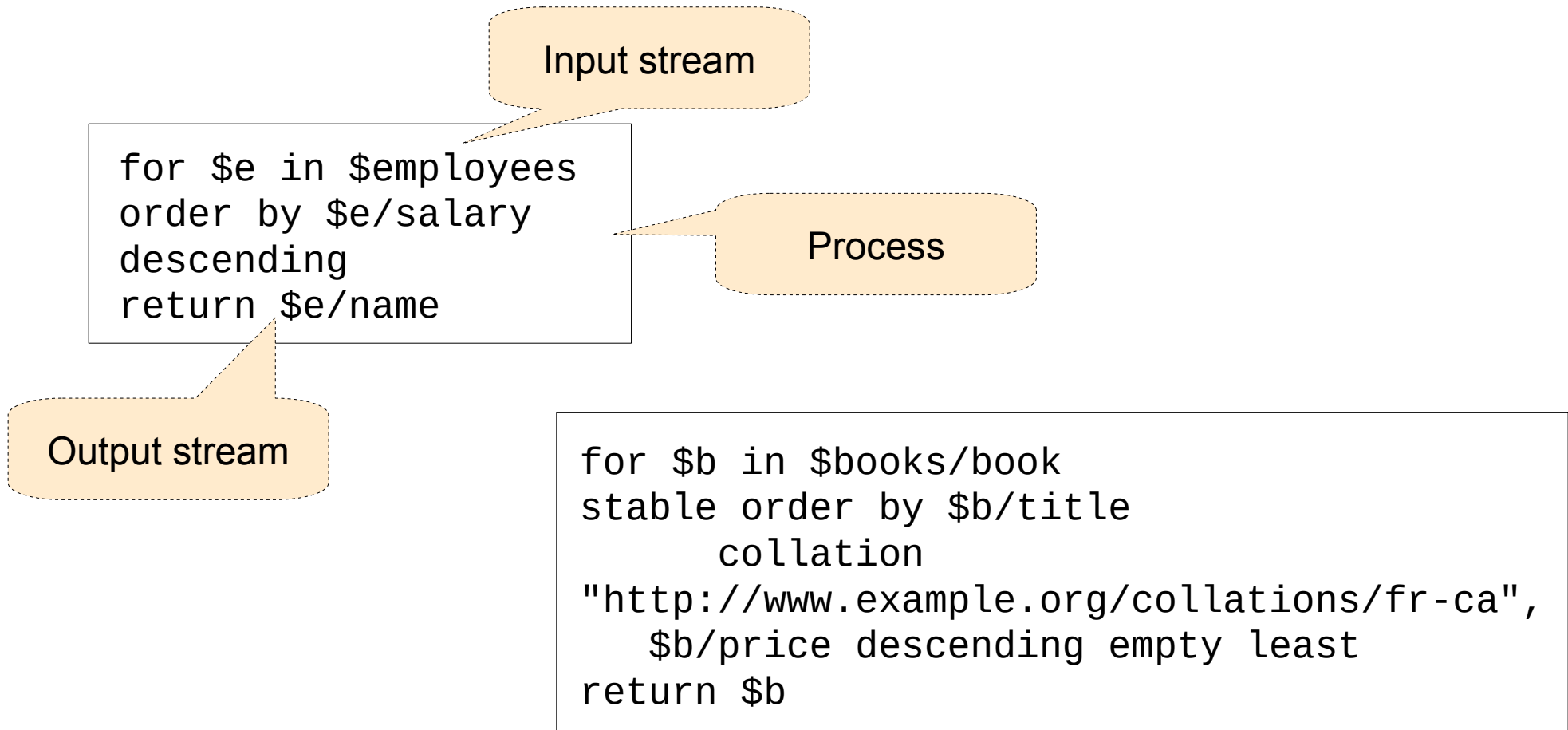
- Slicing of trees (view construction)

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23.2.1 XQuery

The standard from W3C

Xquery

▶ http://www.w3.org/XML/Query/   [http://www.w3.org/TR/xquery/]

▶ Standard of W3C for XML queries

▶ Patterns and query expressions are embedded in loops over input streams

▶ Output can be embedded into XML models or HTML pages

Input stream

```
for $e in $employees
order by $e/salary
descending
return $e/name
```

Process

Output stream

```
for $b in $books/book
stable order by $b/title
      collation
"http://www.example.org/collations/fr-ca",
   $b/price descending empty least
return $b
```

Hamlet (Shakespeare) in XML Markup

```xml
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<!DOCTYPE PLAY SYSTEM "play.dtd">
<PLAY> <TITLE>The Tragedy of Hamlet, Prince of Denmark</TITLE> <FM>
  <P>Text placed in the public domain by Moby Lexical Tools, 1992.</P>
  <P>SGML markup by Jon Bosak, 1992-1994.</P> <P>XML version by Jon Bosak, 1996-1998.</P>
  <P>This work may be freely copied and distributed worldwide.</P>
  </FM>
<PERSONAE>
<TITLE>Dramatis Personae</TITLE>
<PERSONA>CLAUDIUS, king of Denmark. </PERSONA>
<PERSONA>HAMLET, son to the late, and nephew to the present king.</PERSONA>
<PERSONA>POLONIUS, lord chamberlain. </PERSONA>
<PERSONA>HORATIO, friend to Hamlet.</PERSONA>
</PERSONAE>
<ACT><TITLE>ACT I</TITLE>
<SCENE><TITLE>SCENE I.  Elsinore. A platform before the castle.</TITLE>
<STAGEDIR>FRANCISCO at his post. Enter to him BERNARDO</STAGEDIR>
<SPEECH> <SPEAKER>BERNARDO</SPEAKER> <LINE>Who's there?</LINE> </SPEECH>
<SPEECH> <SPEAKER>FRANCISCO</SPEAKER> <LINE>Nay, answer me: stand, and unfold yourself.</LINE> </SPEECH>
<STAGEDIR>Exeunt</STAGEDIR>
</SCENE>
</ACT>
<ACT><TITLE>ACT II</TITLE>
...
</ACT>
</PLAY>
```

[Wikipedia]

Xquery is a Mixed Language: Iterations and XML Patterns

The following script produces a list of speakers of the hamlet plot

```
<html><head/><body>
{
    for $act in doc("hamlet.xml")//ACT
    let $speakers := distinct-values($act//SPEAKER)
    return
      <div>
        <h1>{ string($act/TITLE) }</h1>
        <ul>
          {
            for $speaker in $speakers
            return <li>{ $speaker }</li>
          }
        </ul>
      </div>
}
 </body></html>
<?xml version="1.0"?>
```

[Wikipedia]

23.2.2 Flat Analysis on Link Trees with the Query and Term Transformation Language Xcerpt

A modern, declarative query and transformation language for link trees in the JSON/XML technical space

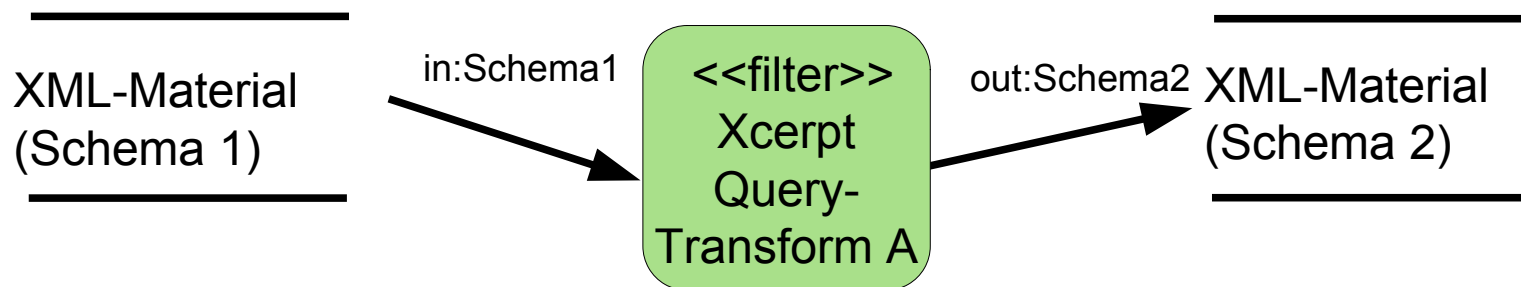Xcerpt combines a DQL and a DTL for link trees

Literature - Modular Xcerpt

▶ Xcerpt prototype compiler: http://sourceforge.net/projects/xcerpt

▶ Sebastian Schaffert. Xcerpt: A Rule-Based Query and Transformation Language for the Web. PhD Thesis,Institute for Informatics, University of Munich, 2004.

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  ▪ http://rewerse.net/deliverables/m48/i3-d14.pdf

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  ▪ http://springerlink.metapress.com/content/x8q1m87165873127/?p=edfdbbaec29743d59da1cd6f1ea50826&pi=4

▶ Artur Wilk. Xcerpt web site with example queries.

  ▪ http://www.ida.liu.se/~artwi/XcerptT
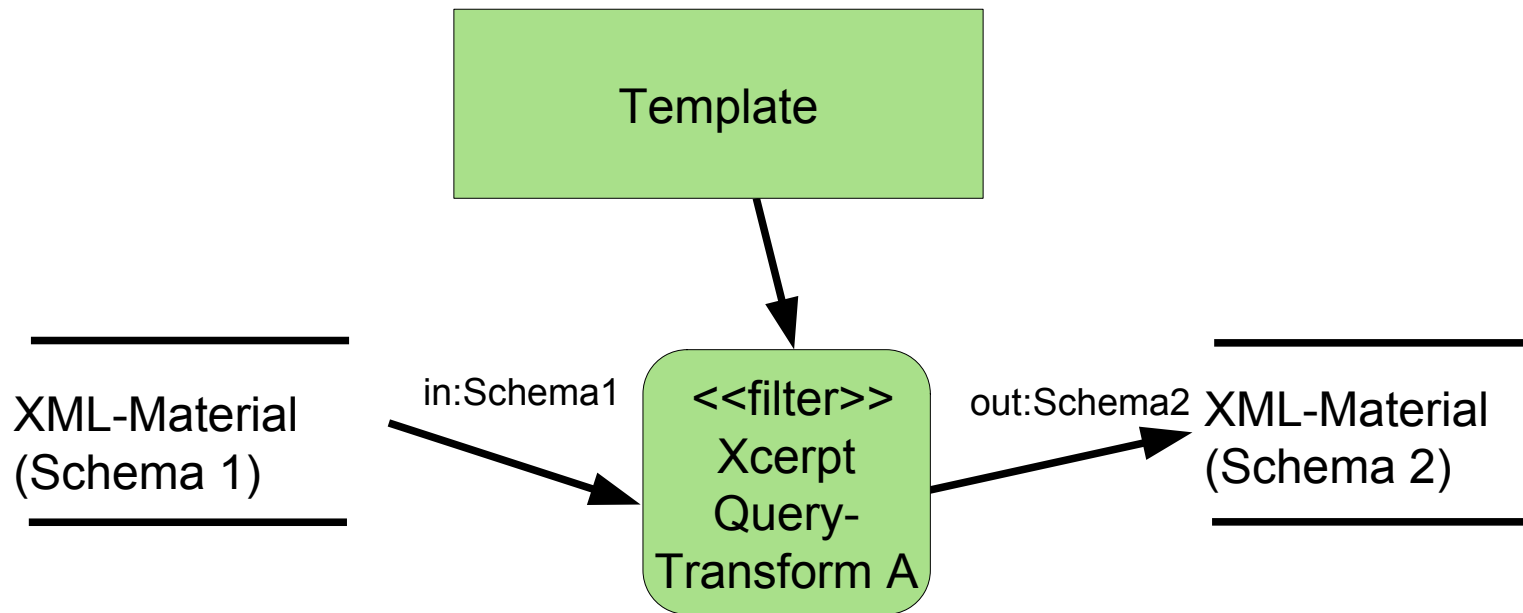
Xcerpt: A Modern Web Query Language for Filter

► Xcerpt is a pattern-based query language for XML formatted data

- Terms, trees, link trees, link terms (JSON and XML terms)

- Patterns match data w.r.t. tree 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 **filter**: processes read, filter, and write streams

- Xcerpt can be used as generator and transformer in DFD

XML-Material (Schema 1)   — in:Schema1 →   <<filter>> Xcerpt Query-Transform A   — out:Schema2 →   XML-Material (Schema 2)

Template Processing with Xcerpt

► Templates may have **for-loops** which can be expanded by Xcerpt transformations

```
[template produceOutput]
[file("output.java")]
Public class Test {
  [for p:Attrribute | System.in.readln() separator(,\n')
  private p;
}
```

Template

XML-Material   in:Schema1   <<filter>>   out:Schema2   XML-Material
(Schema 1)   Xcerpt   (Schema 2)
                                           Query-
                                           Transform A

Xcerpt Data Terms (JSON/XML Link trees)

Model-Driven Software Development in Technical Spaces (MOST)

- ▶ Xcerpt data terms represent XML link-trees with nice syntax, simpler than JSON:
- ▶ Basic constructors for data terms:
  - **exact description of a collection of children:**
    - ordered list [...], --- ordered (ranked) trees
    - unordered set {...} --- unordered trees
  - **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 Data Terms

```
html [
    head [
        meta [
            content {"text/html"}
        ]
        title ["Website"]
    ],
    body ["content"]
]
```

```
<html>
    <head>
        <meta content="text/html"/>
        <title> Website </title>
    </head>
    <body>
            content
    </body>
</html>
```
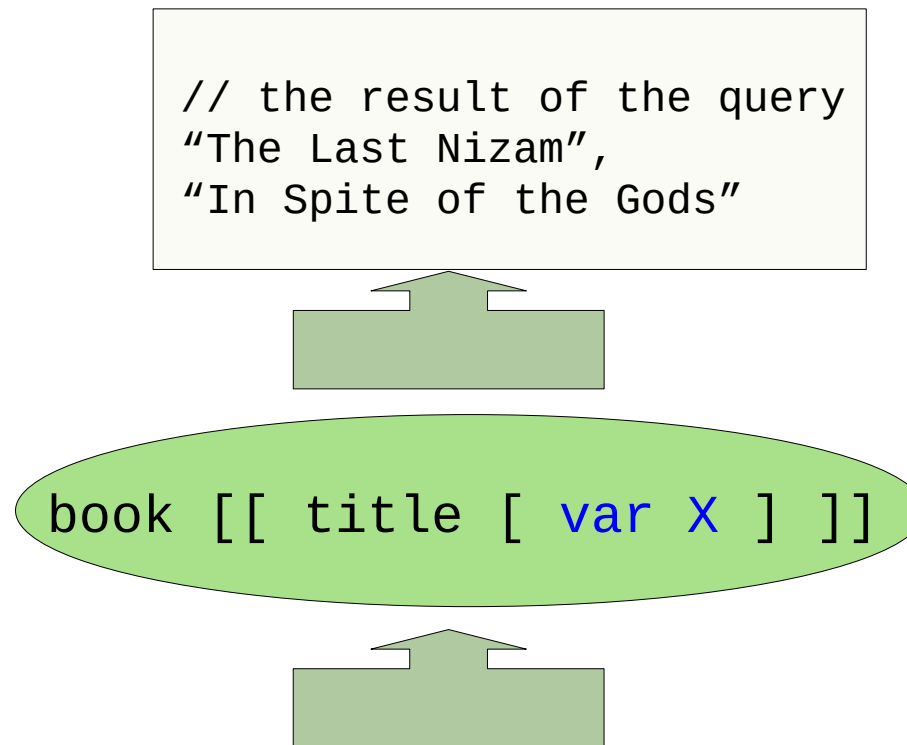

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Xcerpt Query Terms to Match Link Trees (Data Terms with Variables)

▶ XML querying is done with Xcerpt query terms

▶ A **query term** is a term pattern *containing variables* (noted in uppercase letters) over XML data, underspecified data terms:

- 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"

`book [ title [ 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

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

▶

```
// the result of the query
"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" ] ]
```

Deep Partial Unordered Matching with Xcerpt Query Terms

▶ A **query term** can do partial matching

```
library {{ --- somewhere deep in the library
    book {{  --- somewhere deep in the book's data
       // var Author sets a label on a data term
       var Author -> author {{ --- smwh in the author
                 surname {"Aßmann"}
    }},
       // var Title matches a subterm
       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)

23.3 Writing Link-Tree Filters with Link-Tree- and XML-based Data Transformation Languages (DTL)
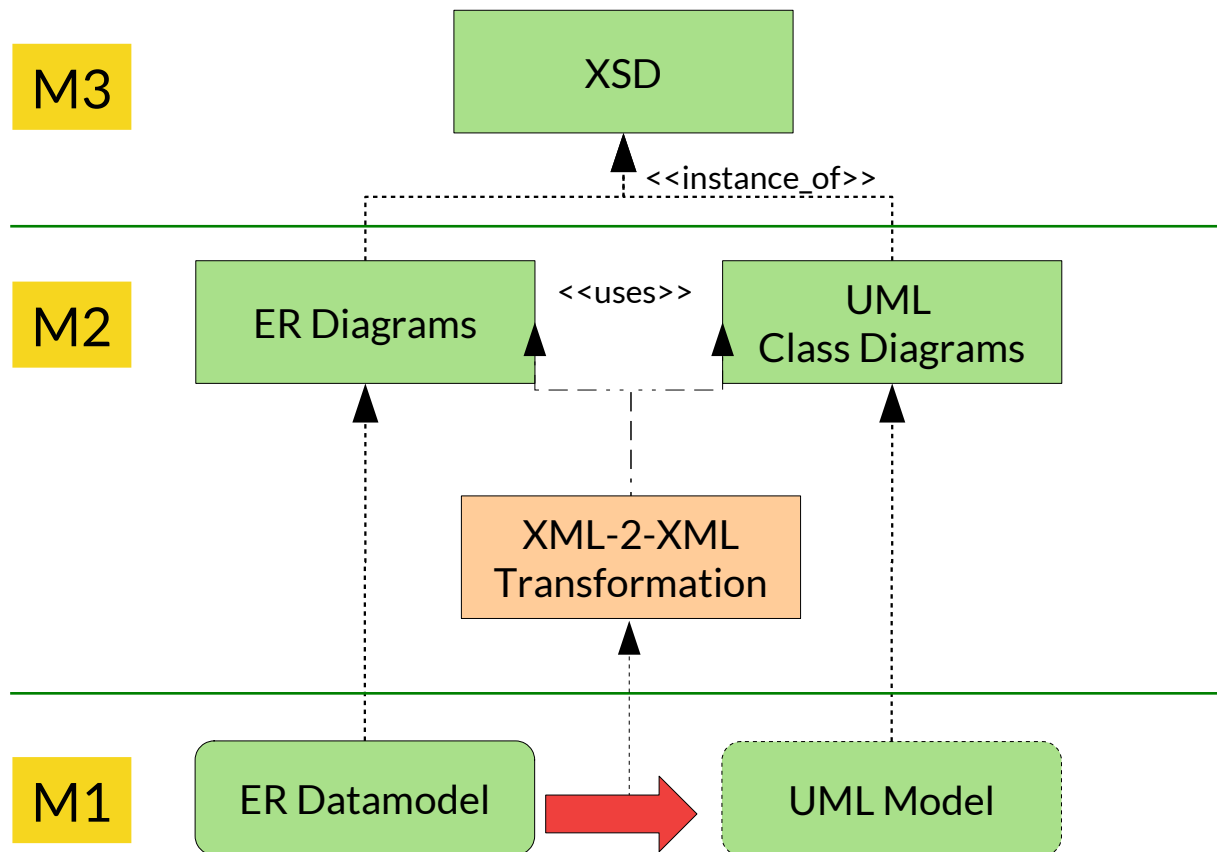
Text, XML, Term, and Graph Rewriting

Tree, Term, Link Tree, and XML transformations

► Model transformations defined in Layer M_{i+1} specify how to transform models on M_i

- Source and target metamodel

► **Benefit**: Transformation can be reused for all models, which are instances of the source meta-model

DTL and DML

▶ With a data manipulation language (DML, Datenmanipulationssprachen) data is transformed from one form to another

▶ **Declarative DML (data transformation languages, Datentransformationssprachen, DTL)** use rules to describe transformations.

- Specifications consist of rules, grouped in *rule sets* or *rule modules*
  - Term rewrite rules (Termersetzungsregeln) transform trees, terms and dags
  - Graph rewrite rules transform graphs and models
- In *free (chaotic) rewriting*, the control-flow specification is not necessary
- In *strategic rewriting*, a strategy (higher-order function) controls the rewriting
- In *programmed rewriting*, a program or workflow controls rewriting

▶ Examples of declarative DML (DTL):
  - Xquery
  - Xcerpt als Strom-Manipulationssprache
  - XGRS and Fujaba (on graphs)

▶ **Imperative DML (allgemeine DML)** know states, side effects, heaps.

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Term and Tree Rewrite Systems (Termersetzungssysteme, TRS)

- **Link-Tree Rewrite Systems (LTRS)** work on trees with links
    - e.g., XML-trees **(XML-Rewrite Systems)**
- Use:
    - Links are used as abbreviations to remote siblings in the tree
    - Links must be controlled on consistency

23.3.1 Transformation and Filtering of Link Trees with Xcerpt

Xcerpt Provides "Construct Terms"

▶ **Construct Terms** (transformation expressions) are *XML templates constructing arbitrary structured XML data*

- access data from variables bound by query terms

- aggregate/re-group data

- can only have single brackets (no optional content)

▶ Example: Constructing one title/author pair in an (unordered) result tag:

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

▶ Example: Constructing a complete books result list grouped by full author name:

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

Xcerpt Transformation Rules

▶ Combine Query and Construct Terms (XML templates) 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" ] ]
```

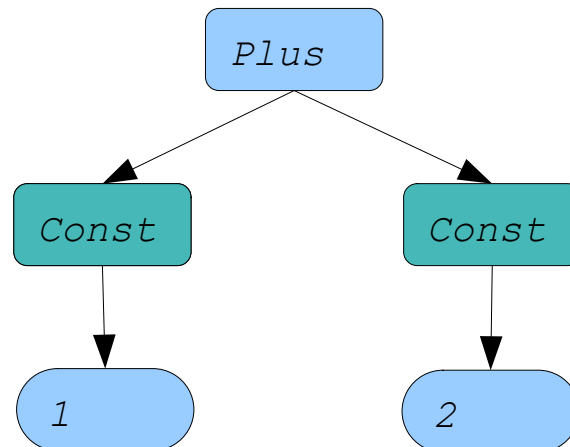© Prof. U. Aßmann

Xcerpt Programs are Rule Sets

▶ Xcerpt programs consist of a collection of data-terms (database) and rules (with query and construct terms)

- 0+ data-terms

- 1+ goal rules

- 0+ construct-query rules

▶ *Construct rules (transformation rules)*: produce intermediate res

> **Result schema of a rule**

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

▶ *Goal rules*: final output

```
      GOAL <head> FROM <body> END
Where <head>: construct term;  <body>: query
```

> **Goal schema**

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

Simple Xcerpt Program

► Matching query → variable bindings

  → apply bindings to construct term

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

produce →

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

↑ query

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

23.3.2 Code Transformations with Xcerpt Term Rewriting and Template Processing

Xcerpt Data Terms for Representing Expression Code

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

]
```

```
<Plus>
            <Const>
                        1
            </Const>
            <Const>
                        2
            </Const>
</Plus>
```
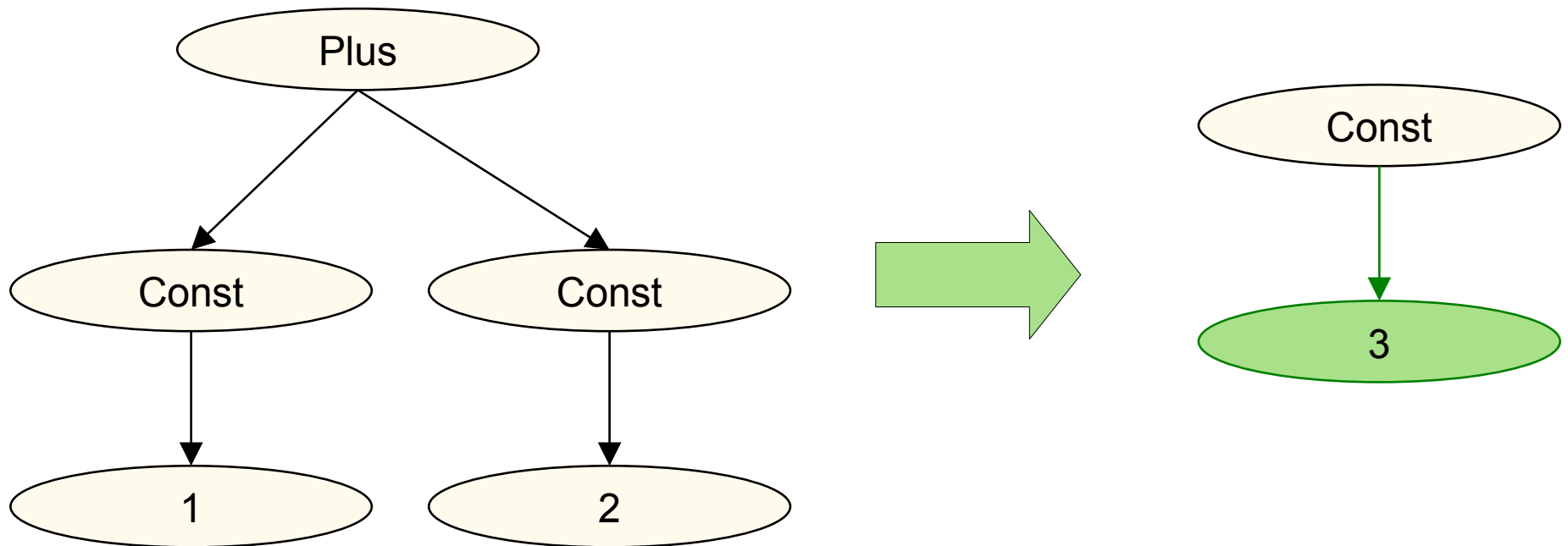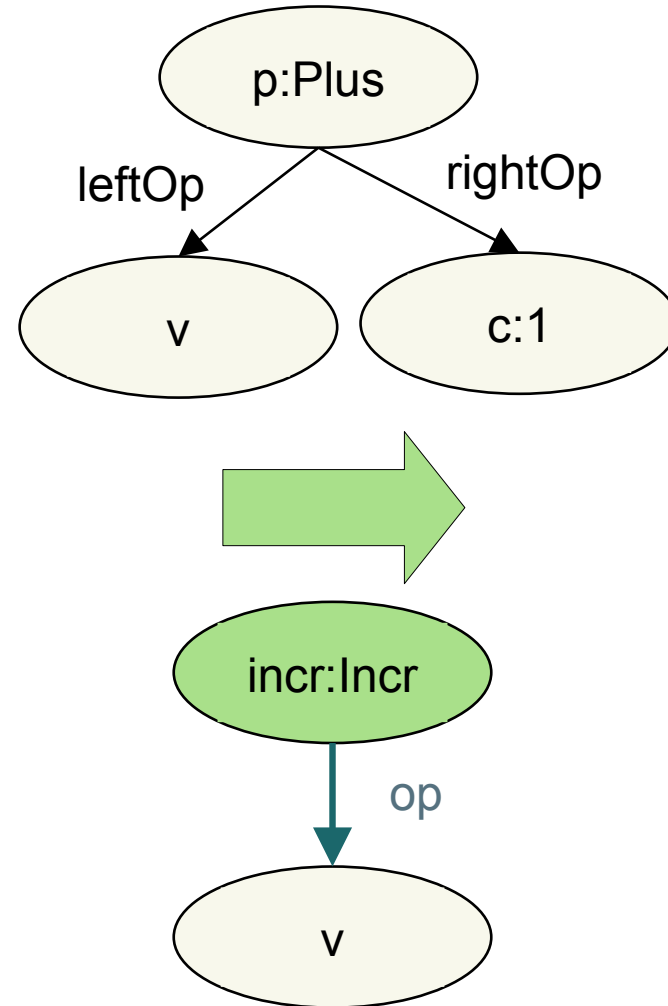
Constant Folding (Static Evaluation) on Link Trees

- ▶ A **local rewriting (context-free rewriting)** matches a weakly connected left-hand side graph with a redex, independently of a context.

  - ▪ Matching of one redex can be done in constant time

- ▶ Subtractive because redexes are destroyed


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

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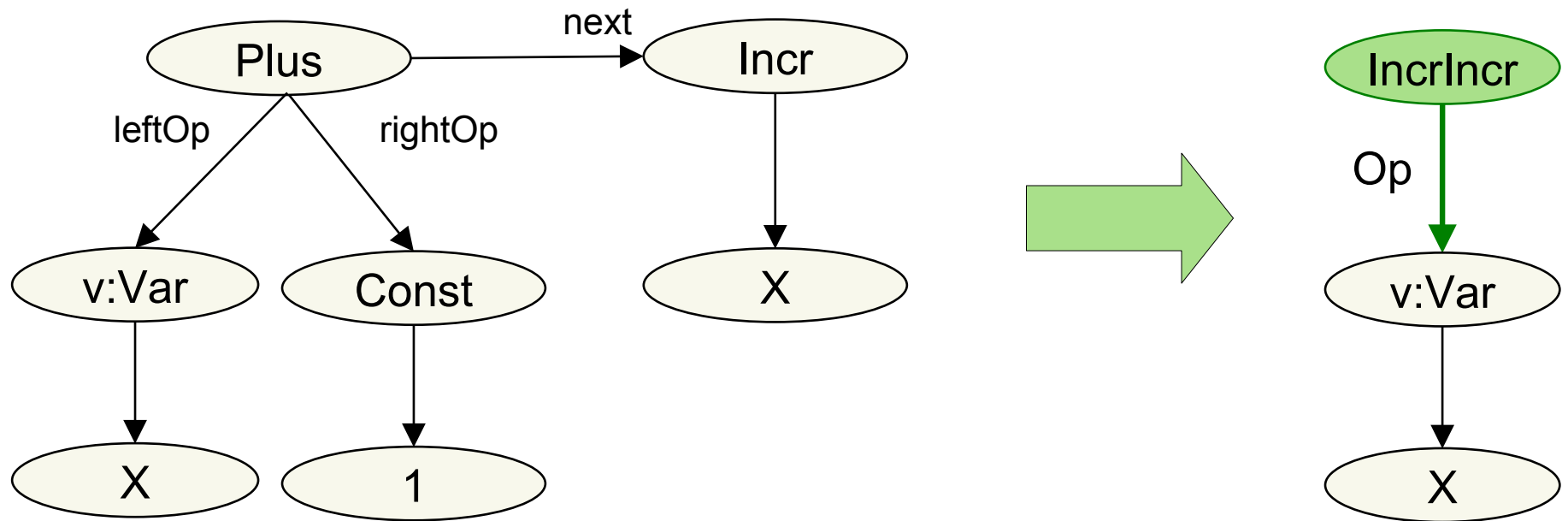
```
// if-then rules:
if  leftOp(p:Plus,v),
    rightOp(p,c:1),
then
    Delete p,
    Delete c,
    Add incr:Incr,
    op(incr,v);
```



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

Peephole Optimization on Link Trees

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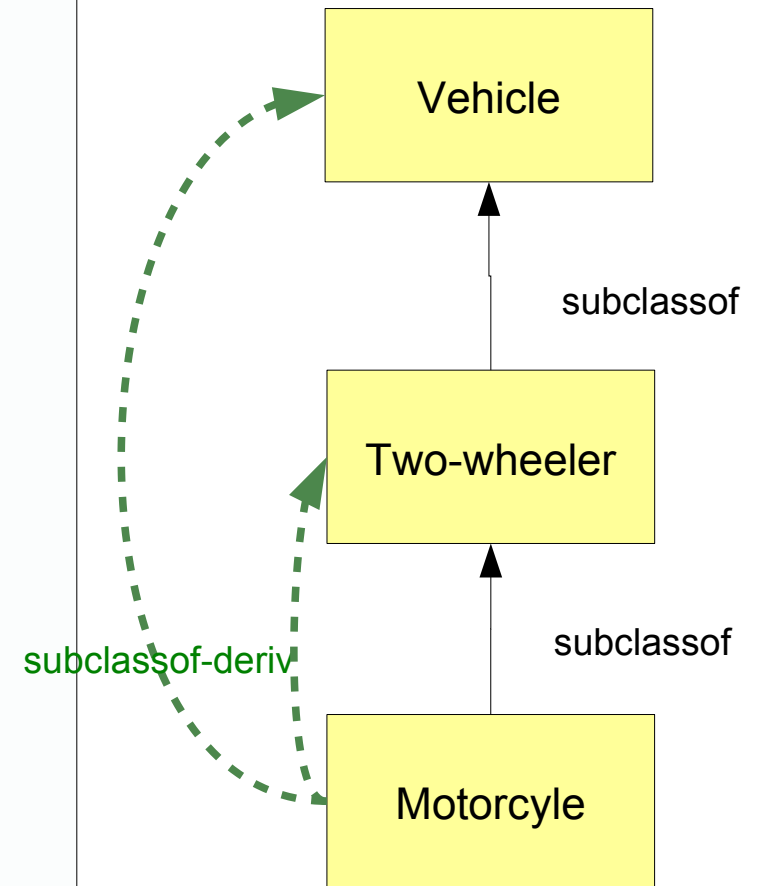
▶ Subtractive problem, because redexes are destroyed


```
FROM Plus[ leftOp[ var v:Var[X] ], rightOp[ Const[1] ],
     next[Incr[X]]]
CONSTRUCT IncrIncr[ Op[ var v] ]
```

Rule Dependencies in a Set of Rules (here: All Superclasses as Transitive Closure in Inheritance Hierarchy): Simple Variant

```
CONSTRUCT // Base case of transitive closure
    subclassof-deriv [ var Sub, var Super ]
FROM
    subclassof [ var Sub, var Super ]
END

CONSTRUCT // Alternative, recursive rule
    subclassof-deriv [ var Sub, var Sup ]
FROM
    subclassof [ var Sub, var Z ],
    subclassof-deriv [ var Z, var Sup ]
END
// Basic relation of direct subclassof
CONSTRUCT subclassof [ var Sub, var Sup ]
FROM
    in { resource { "file:...", "xml" } }
END
```


Vehicle

subclassof

Two-wheeler

subclassof

Motorcyle

subclassof-deriv

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Rule Dependencies in a Set of Rules (here: All Superclasses as Transitive Closure in Inheritance Hierarchy) Variant with Self-Superclasses

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```
CONSTRUCT // Base case of transitive closure
    subclassof-deriv [ var Cls, var Cls ]
FROM
    or { subclassof [ var Z, var Cls ],
         subclassof [ var Cls, var Z ] }
END

CONSTRUCT // Alternative, recursive rule
    subclassof-deriv [ var Sub, var Sup ]
FROM
    or { // direct subclass
      subclassof [ var Sub, var Sup ],
      and {
        subclassof [ var Sub, var Z ],
        subclassof-deriv [ var Z, var Sup ]
    } }
END
// Basic relation of direct subclassof
CONSTRUCT subclassof [ var Sub, var Sup ]
FROM
    in { resource { "file:...", "xml" },
      <query> }
END
```
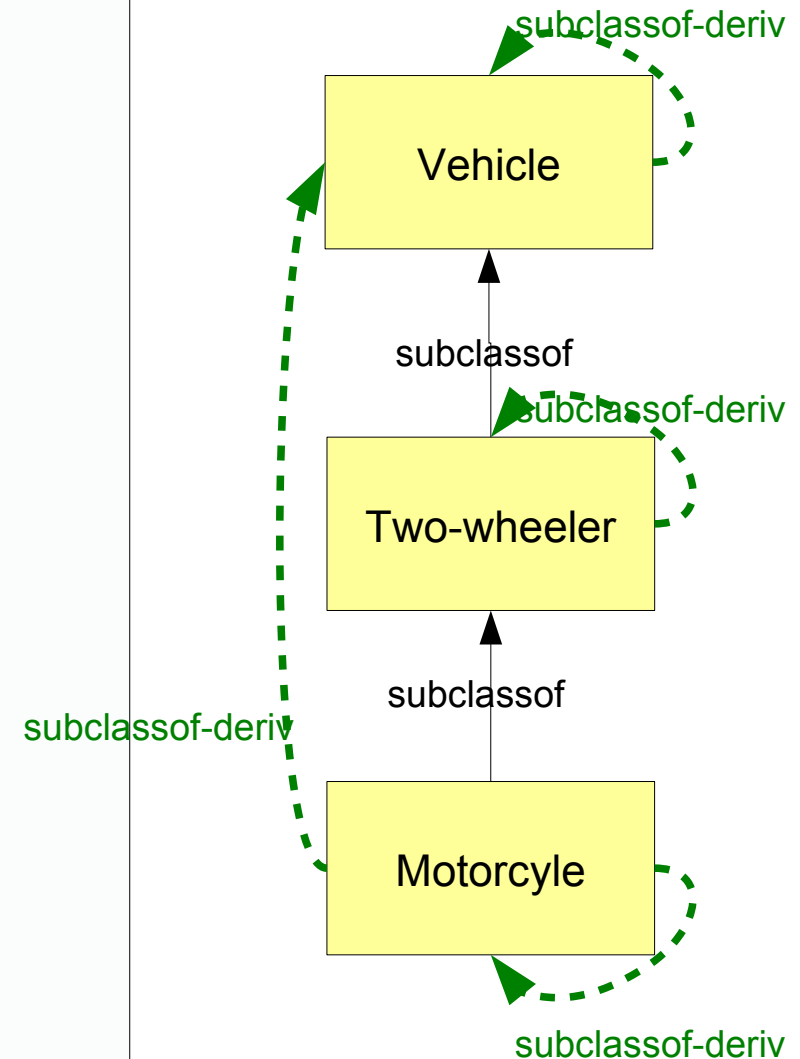

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► Stream-processing QL and TL are useful for the composition of tools on material streams
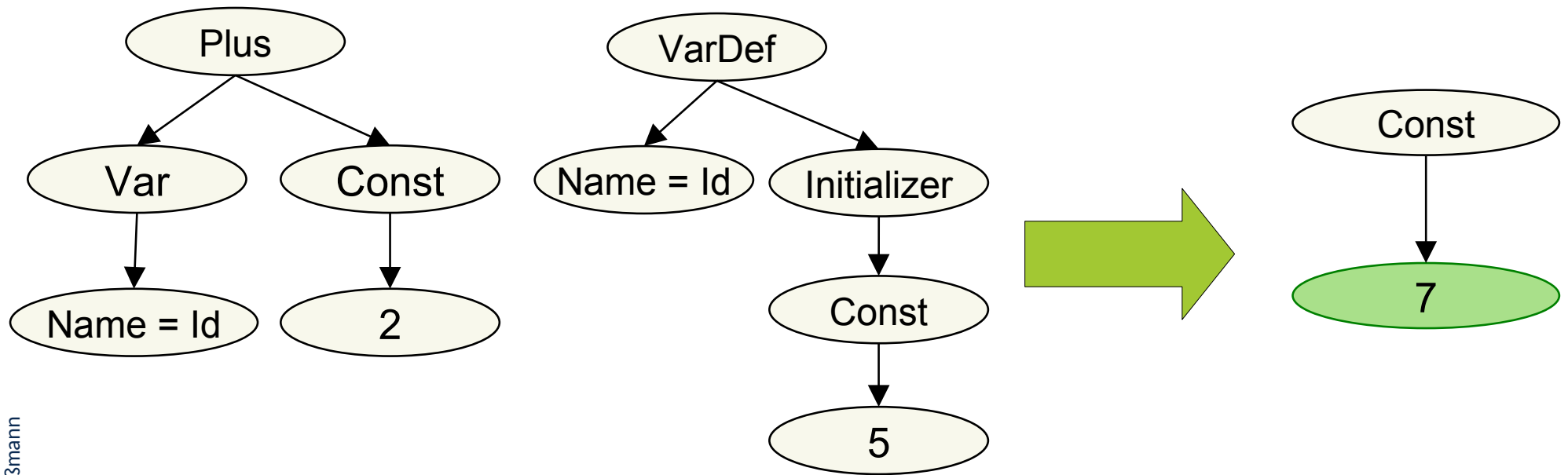
Tool composition theorem 1: Two stream-based tools can be composed if
Their input and output types are compatible and
the output order in the output streams is commutative

23.3.3 Context-Sensitive Term Rewritings

Extended Constant Folding as Subtractive TRS

▶ A term rewrite system usually works context-free, i.e., matches and rewrites only one term.

▶ A **context-sensitive term rewriting** matches a set of non-connected left-hand side terms with a redex.

- ▪ Matching of one redex can be done in quadratic time, because non-connected nodes have to be pairwise compared


```
FROM Plus[ Var[ Name [var Id] ], Const[2],
AND  VarDef[ Name[var Id], Initializer[Const[5]] ]
CONSTRUCT Const[z]
```

Covered Code Optimizations

▶ Global transformations

- Refactorings:
  - **Rename** all uses of a variable and its definition
  - **Move** a method into another class
  - **Split** a class

- Code motion
  - Mode an expression out of a loop
  - **Clone removal:** Outline a method from a set of clones and transform all clones to calls of the method

23.3.4 Larger Xcerpt Programs

► Optional

► With modular Xcerpt

Modular Xcerpt

- ▶ *Modular Xcerpt* = Xcerpt + Module support
- ▶ http://www.reuseware.org/index.php/Screencast_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* **)**

Reusable module, in file:subclassof.mx

```
IMPORT file:subclassof.mx AS mod

GOAL   vehicles [ all var Sub ]
FROM
    IN mod (
        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"
]
```

= data flow

```
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 Sub ]
FROM
    public input [[
        subclassof [ var Sub, var Sup ] ]]
END
```
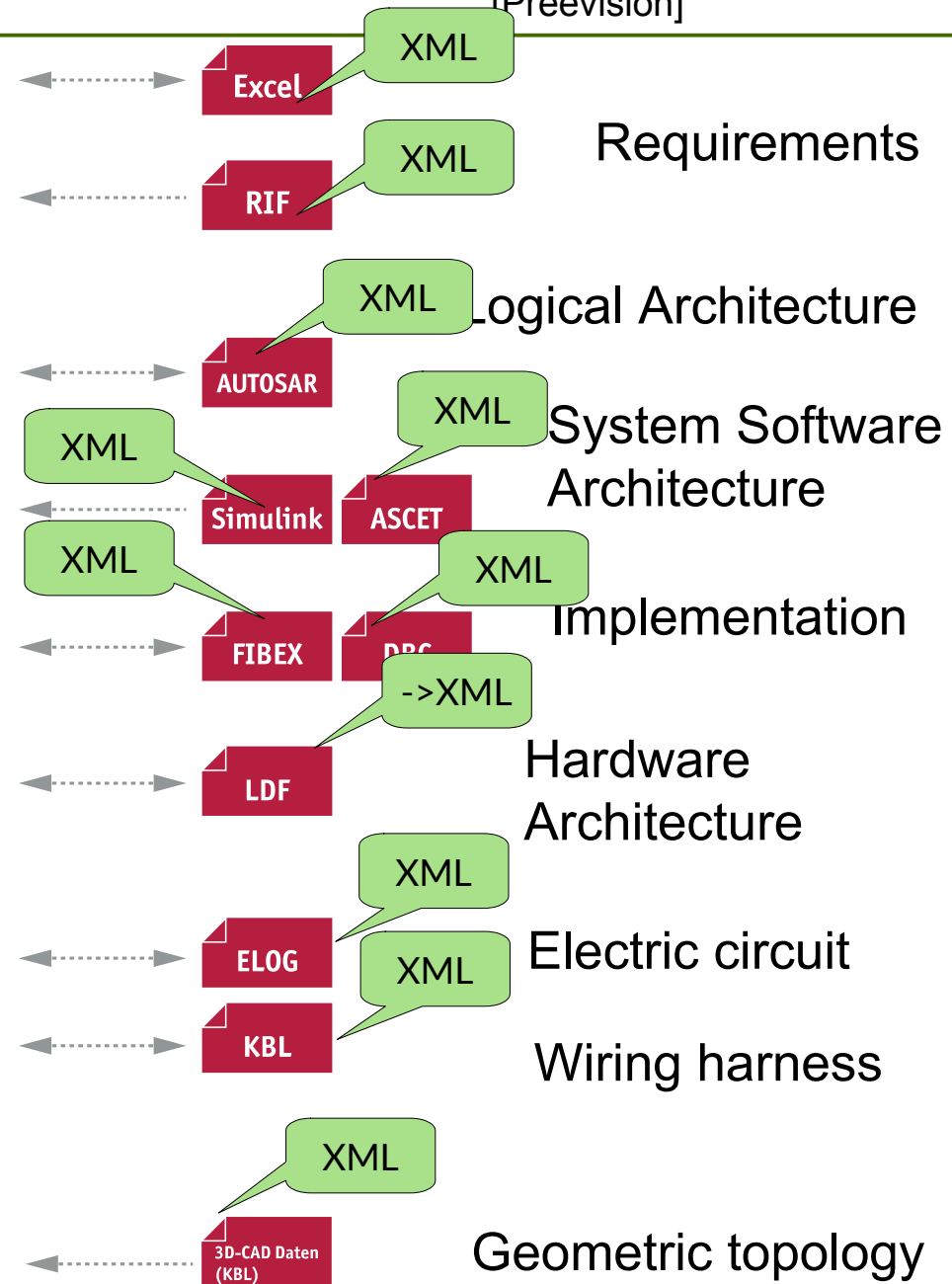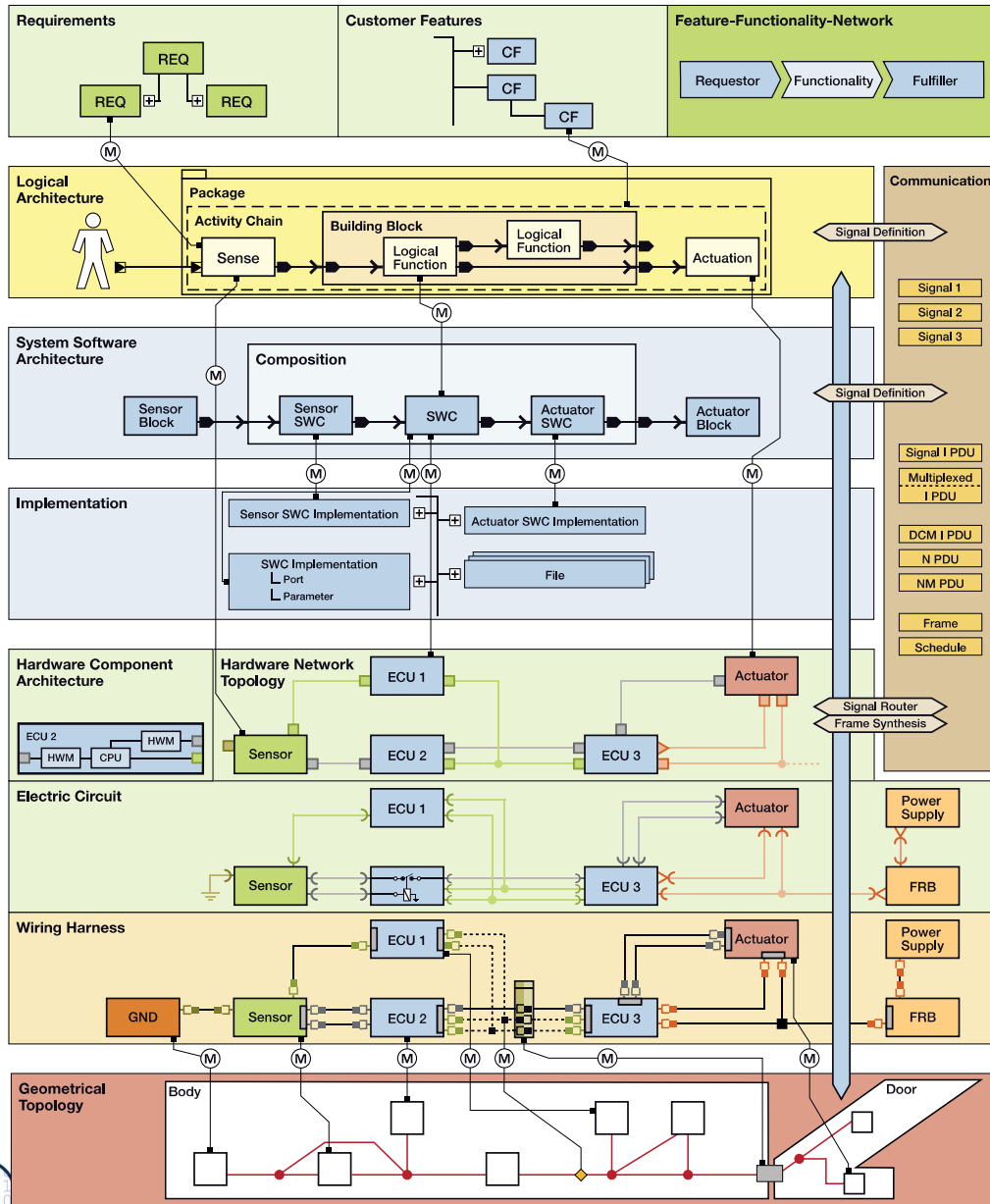
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23.4 The Big Picture (I): The Importance of Link Trees for MDSD Applications

▶ Link trees, their querying, attribution, and rewriting is very important for an MDSD IDE

[Preevision]

Requirements

Logical Architecture

System Software Architecture

Implementation

Hardware Architecture

Electric circuit

Wiring harness

Geometric topology

XML

XML

XML

XML

XML

XML

XML

->XML

XML

XML

XML

Excel

RIF

AUTOSAR

Simulink   ASCET

FIBEX   DBC

LDF

ELOG

KBL

3D-CAD Daten (KBL)

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Links on the XML Formats of PreeVision

- Excel:
  https://support.office.com/de-de/article/%C3%9Cberblick-%C3%BCber-XML-in-Excel-f11faa7e-63ae-4166-b3ac-c9e9752a7d80

- RIF: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Requirements_Interchange_Format

- Simulink:
  http://de.mathworks.com/help/rptgenext/ug/how-to-compare-xml-files-exported-from-simulink-models.html?requestedDomain=www.mathworks.com

- AutoSAR and FIBEX https://vector.com/vi_autosar_de.html

  - https://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/AUTOSAR

  - http://xn--brrkens-b1a.de/publications/pagel_broerkens_ECMDA2006.pdf

  - http://www.elektronikpraxis.vogel.de/embedded-computing/articles/226651/index3.html

  - http://www.autosar.org/fileadmin/files/releases/4-2/methodology-and-templates/tools/auxiliary/AUTOSAR_TR_InteroperabilityOfAutosarTools.pdf

  - http://www.sse-tubs.de/publications/Hoe_ASE07.pdf

- LDF http://www.fullconvert.com/XML-to-LDF/

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- ► ELOG http://www.ecad-if.de/elog.html

- ► KBL (Kabelbaumliste) http://www.ecad-if.de/kbl.html

- ► ASCET (von ETAS) http://www.etas.com/data/RealTimes_2010/rt_2010_2_32_de.pdf
    - ▪ http://www.etas.com/de/products/ascet_software_products-details.php
    - ▪ http://www.file-extensions.org/amd-file-extension-ascet-xml-model-description-file
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How To Develop an MDSD Application with Link Trees

- ▶ Read in XML with XML parser

- ▶ Query XML link trees with languages like Xcerpt

- ▶ Semantic analysis of the trees with RAG, with languages like JastAdd

- ▶ Transform with languages like

  - ▪ Xcerpt

  - ▪ Stratego (rewriting)

  - ▪ RAG tree generation and template expansion

- ▶ Problematic: Tool maturity

The End

- ▶ Why are XML documents link trees? Is such a document a link term or link tree?

- ▶ How does Xcerpt do deep match?

- ▶ Explain how Xcerpt transformation expressions filter an input stream and produce an output stream

- ▶ Why can RAG work on link trees?

- ▶ How would you analyse the link structure of an XML document?

- ▶ How do references in a link tree abbreviate the way from uses to definitions of variables?

- ▶ What does name analysis do with regard to the links of a link tree?

- ▶ What does type analysis do with regard to the links of a link tree?

- ▶ Does a downward query disturb the rest of the attribution in the subtree? (hint: it depends…)

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