

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

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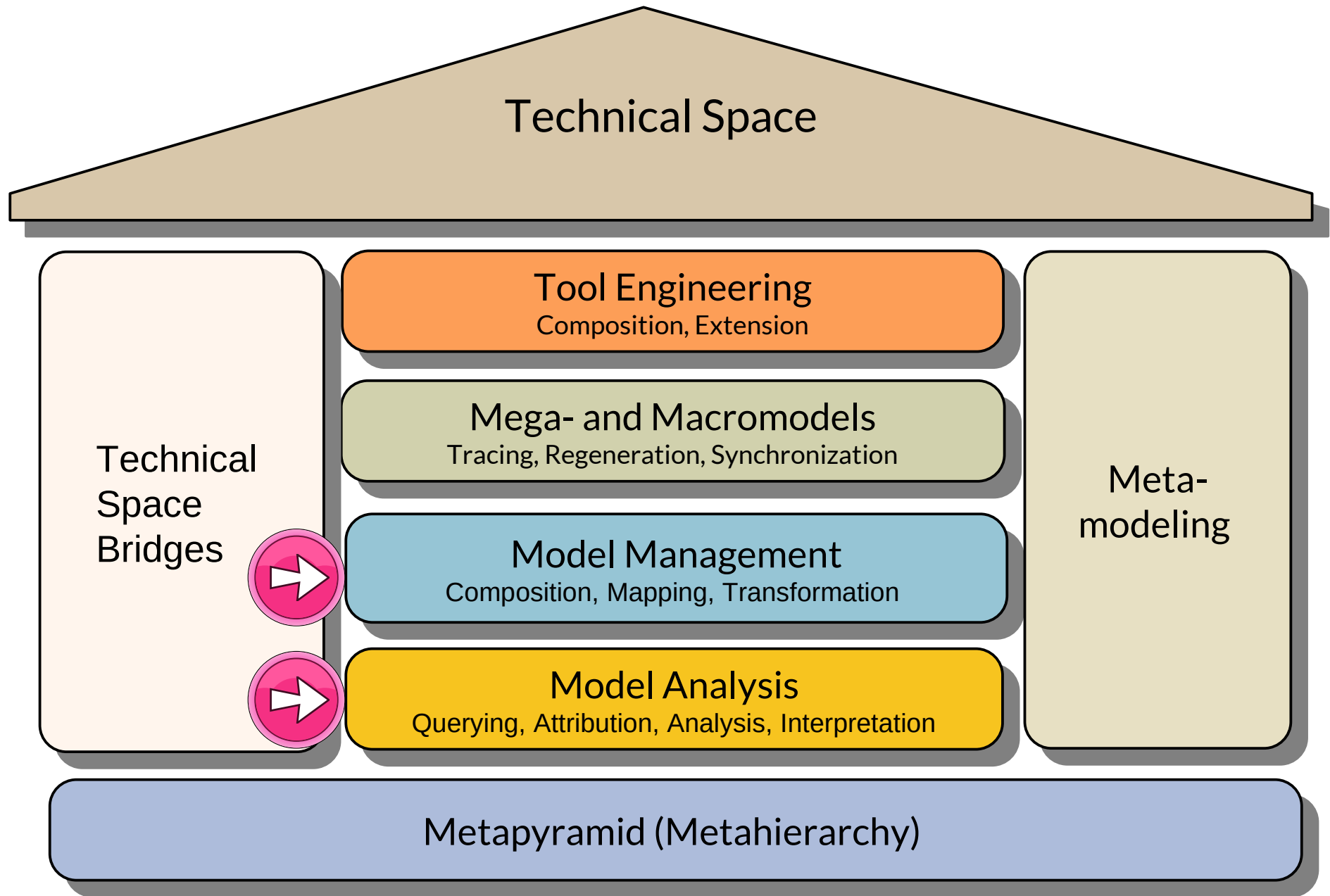
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Q10: The House of a Technical Space

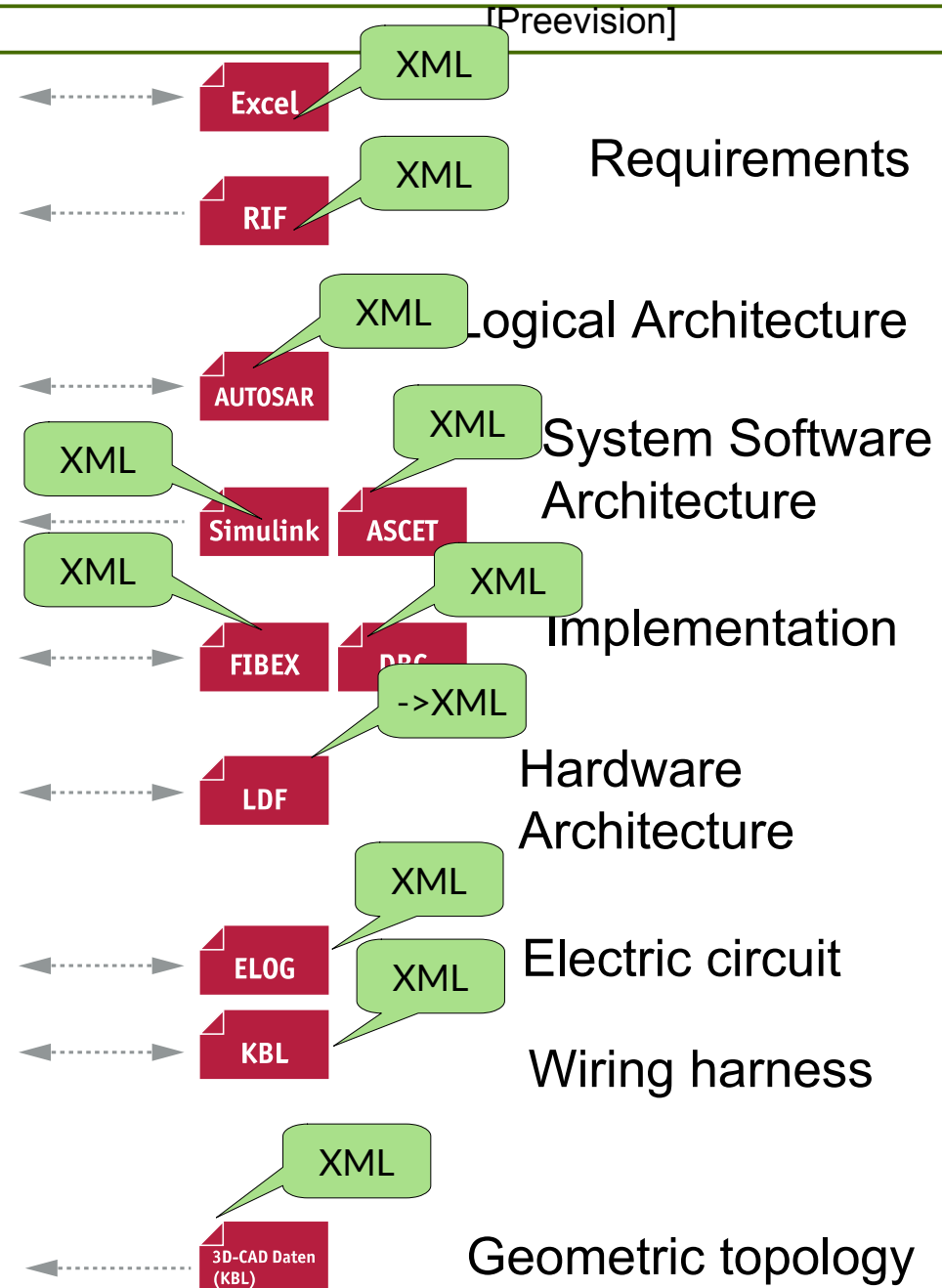
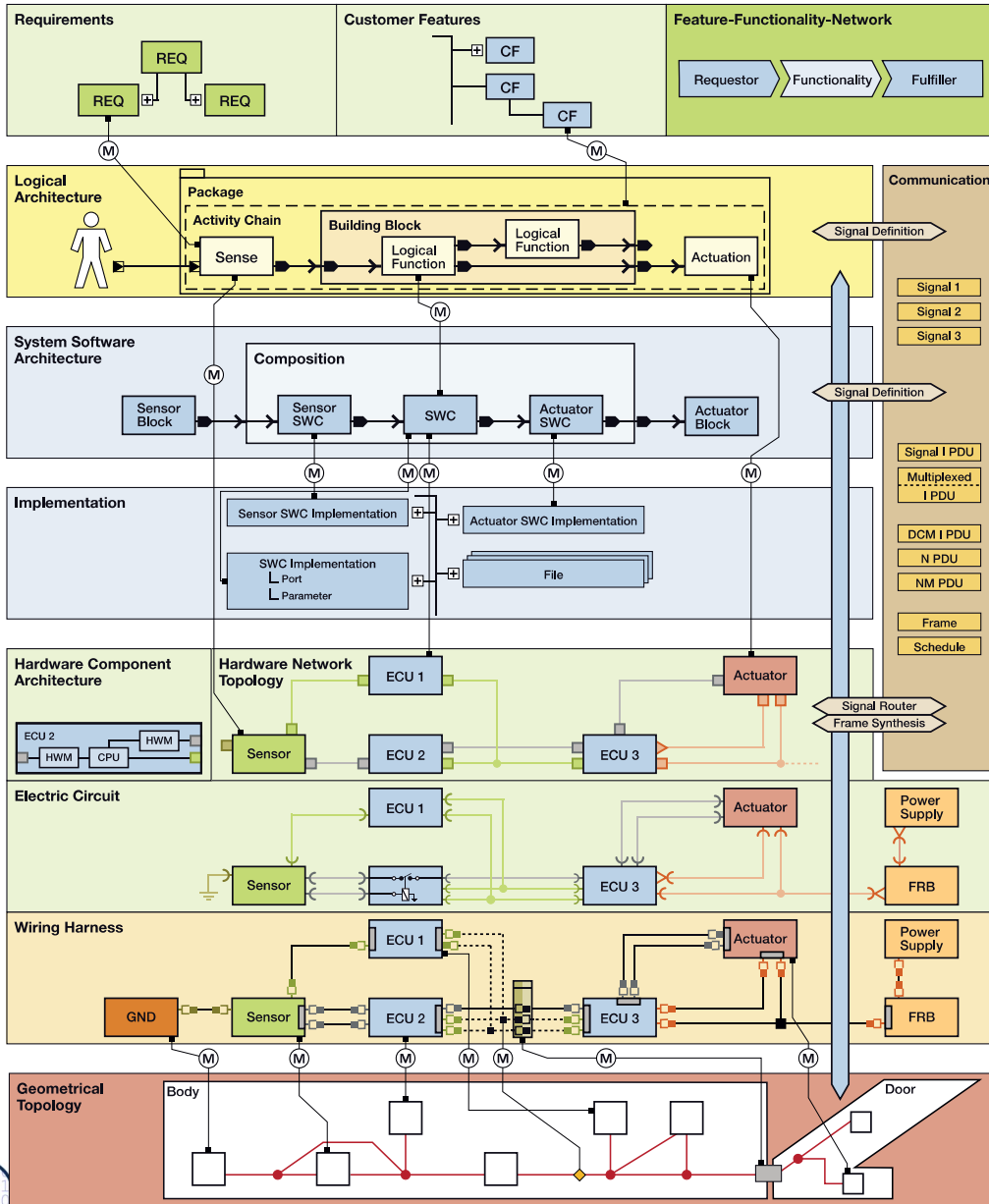


Why Do We Need LinkTreeWare in MDSD Tools?

- ▶ 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**.
 - 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

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23.1 Data Definition Languages (DDL) for Link Trees

The basic layer of LinkTreeWare M2

.. XML, JSON, YAML, ...



- ▶ 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>
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JSON

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Model-Driven Software Development in Technical Spaces (MOST)

- ▶ 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, but no type constructors for nodes
- ▶ JSON often 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
    }
  }
]

```

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

23.2. Flat Analysis on Link Trees



“Flat” 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)

23.2.1 XQuery

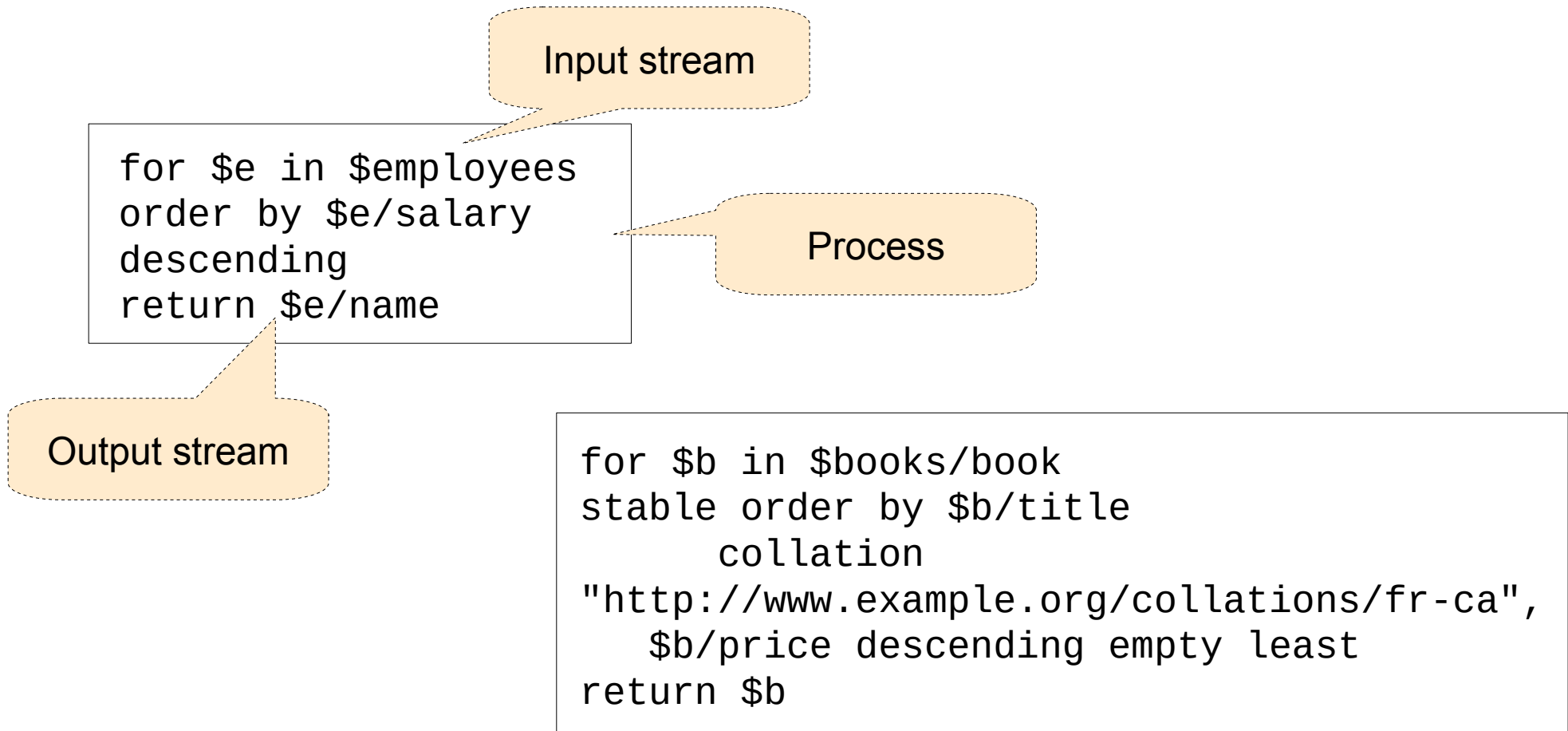
The standard from W3C



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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



Hamlet (Shakespeare) in XML Markup

```
<?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>
```

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"?>
```

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

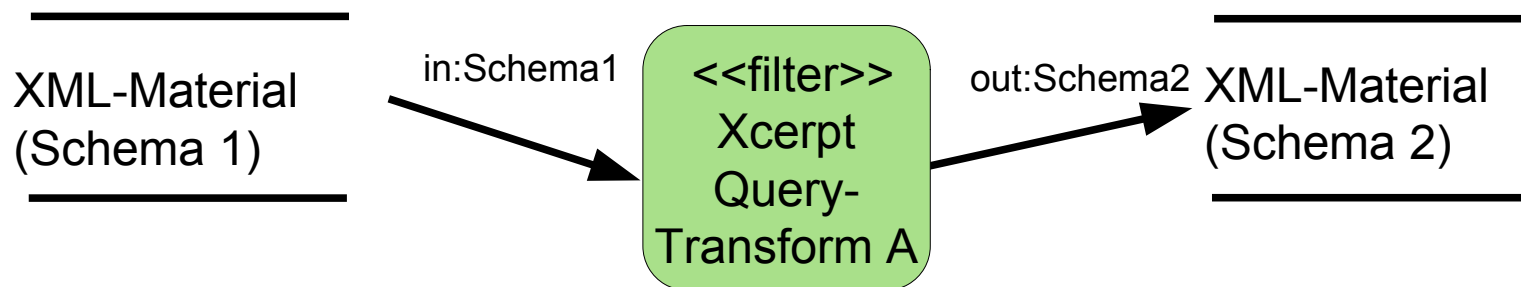


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Xcerpt: A Modern Web Query Language for Filter

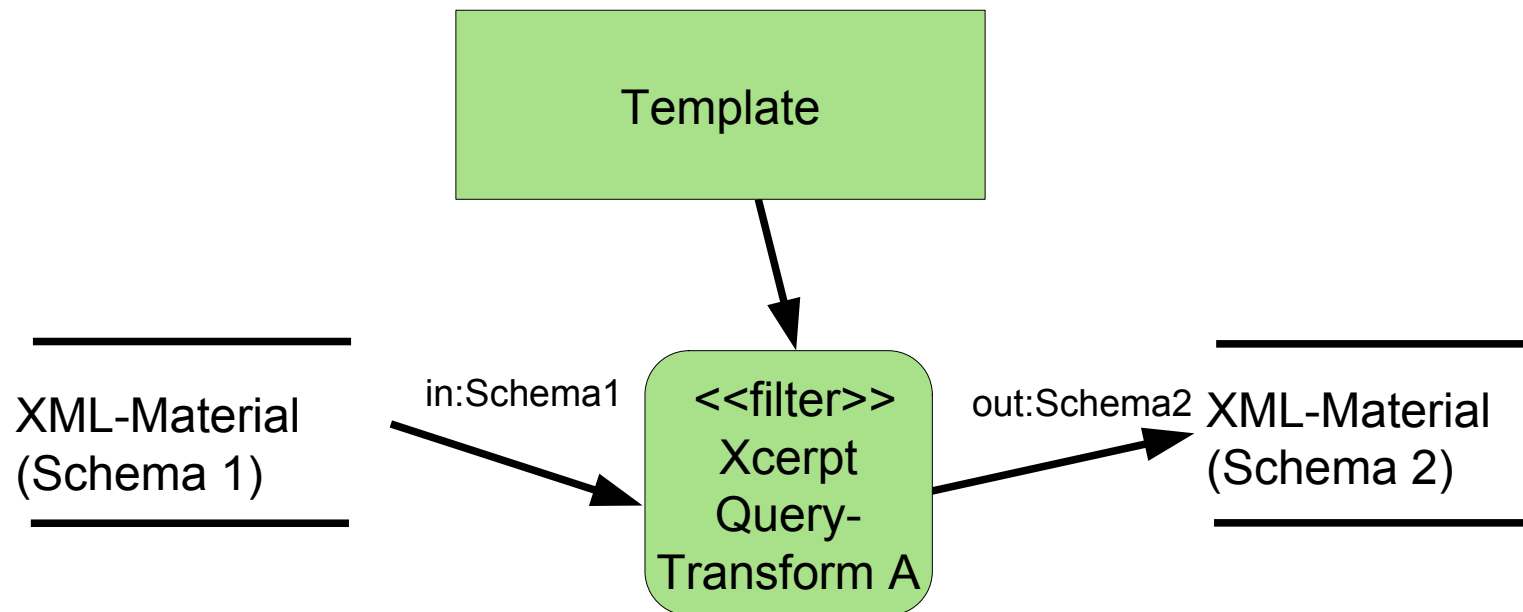
- ▶ Xcerpt is a pattern-based query language for XML formatted data
 - Terms, trees, link trees, link terms (JSON and XML terms)
 - Patterns match data w.r.t. tree structure
 - Fully declarative, in contrast to Xquery; rule-based, declarative style of Logic Programming (LP)
 - Much more flexible than 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



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:Attribute | System.in.readLine() separator(,\n')
  private p;
}
```



Xcerpt Data Terms (JSON/XML Link trees)

- ▶ 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>
```

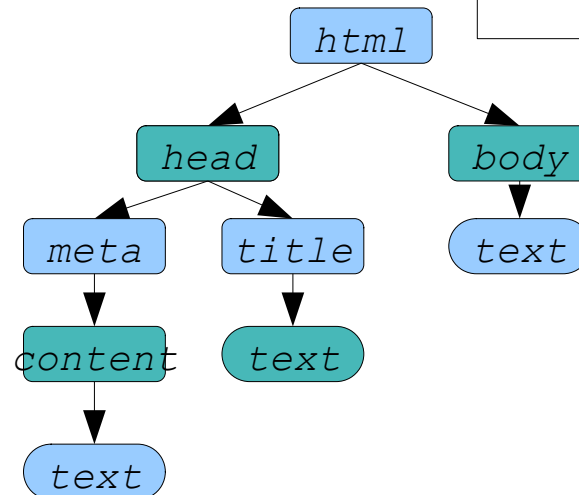
equivalent to:

```
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>
```



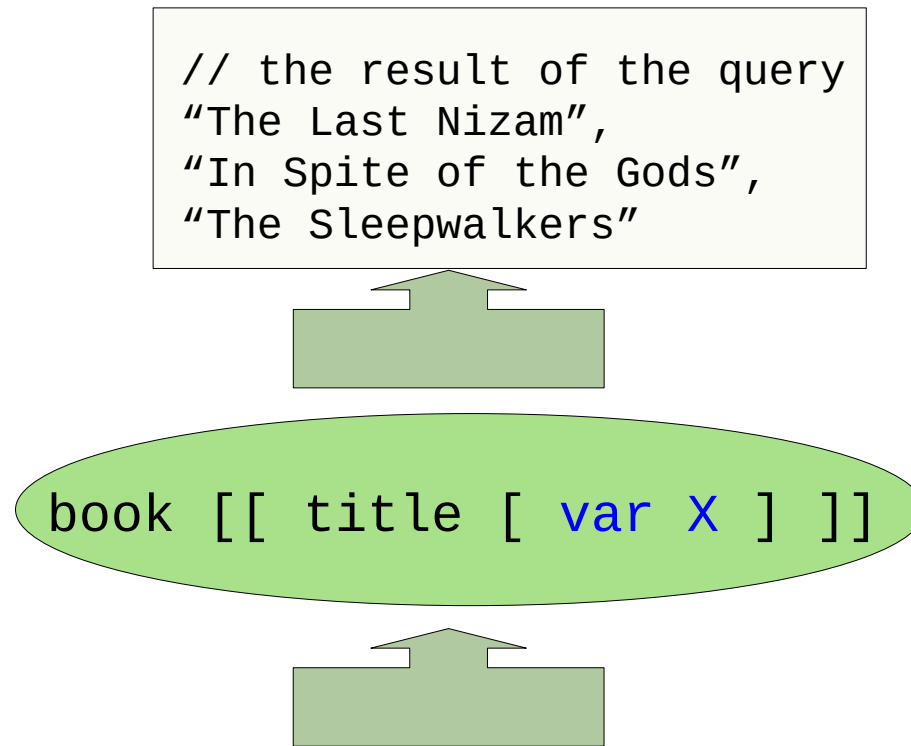
Xcerpt Query Terms to Match and Filter Link Trees (Data Terms with Variables)

- ▶ 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 with List symbol: `data [term [... X]]`
 - No-order matching with Set symbol: `data { term { ... X } }`
 - Ordered partial matching and deep filtering: `[[X ...]]`
 - Unordered partial matching and filtering: `{{ ... 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**”
`query(book[title[var X]])`
---> “John Zubrzycki”, “Edward Luce”, “Christopher Clark”

```
// the data base of books, to be filtered
bib [
  book [ title [ "The Last Nizam" ],      author [ "John Zubrzycki" ] ],
  book [ title [ "In Spite of the Gods" ],author [ "Edward Luce" ] ]
  book [ title [ "The Sleepwalkers" ],    author [ "Christopher Clark" ] ]
]
```

Xcerpt Query Terms

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- ▶



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

Deep Partial Unordered Matching with Xcerpt Query Terms

- ▶ A query term can do *deep 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

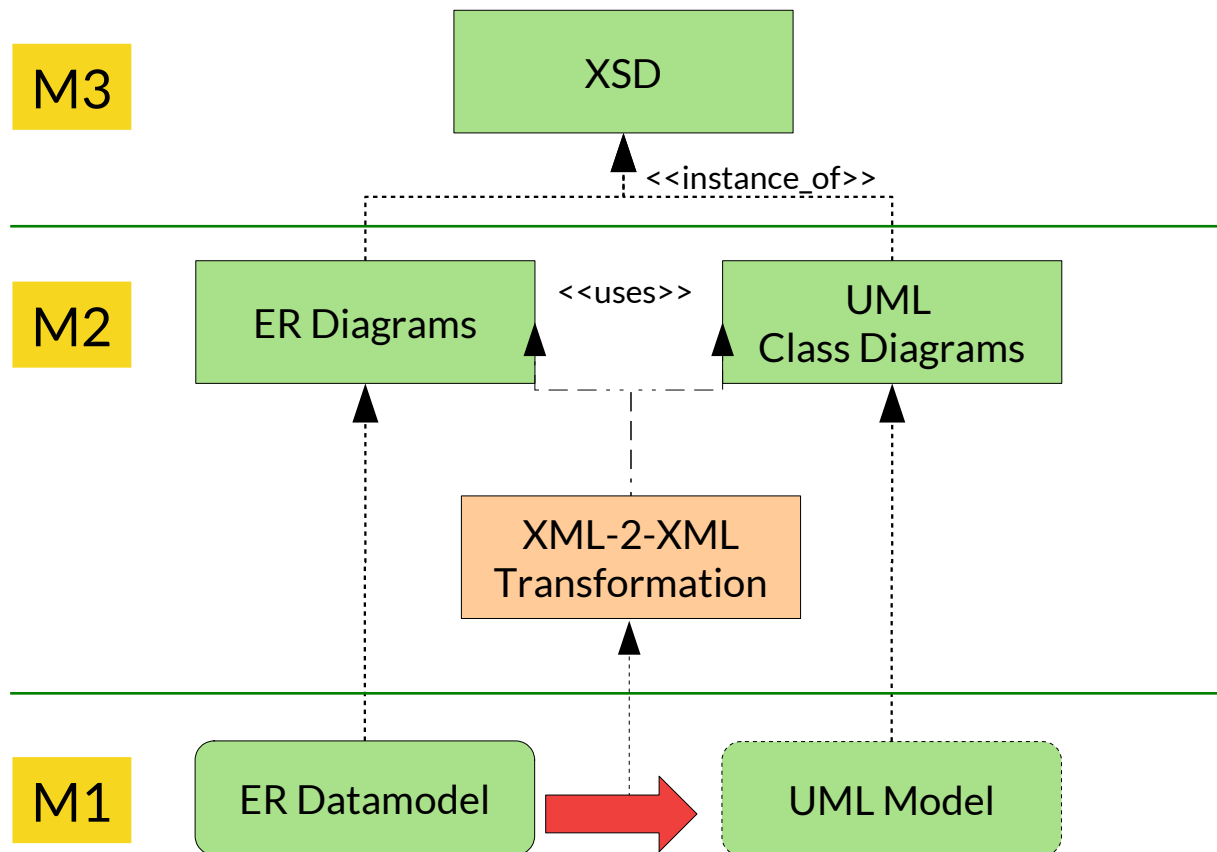


Tree, Term, Link Tree, and XML transformations

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Model-Driven Software Development in Technical Spaces (MOST)

- ▶ 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



- ▶ With a general *data manipulation language* (DML, *Datenmanipulationssprache*), data is transformed from one form to another
- ▶ **Declarative DML (data transformation languages, Datentransformationssprachen, DTL)** are specific DML using 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) in the Link-Treeware:
 - Xquery
 - Xcerpt als Strom-Manipulationssprache
 - XGRS and Fujaba (on graphs)
- ▶ On the other hand, **Imperative DML (allgemeine DML)** know states, side effects, heaps.

Link-Term and Link-Tree Rewrite Systems (Link-Termersetzungssysteme, LTRS)

- ▶ **Link-Tree Rewrite Systems (LTRS)** work on trees with links
 - e.g., Xquery or Xcerpt
 - XML-trees (**XML-Rewrite Systems**)
 - JSON trees

- ▶ Use:
 - Links are used as abbreviations to remote siblings in the tree (information in the context)
 - Links access context-sensitive information
 - Links abbreviate paths 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: “Construct one title/author pair in an (unordered) result tag”:

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

- ▶ Example: “Construct a complete book 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:
 - Construct terms construct term fragments and embed common variables with the query term

```
// 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 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 results

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" ] ]
]
```

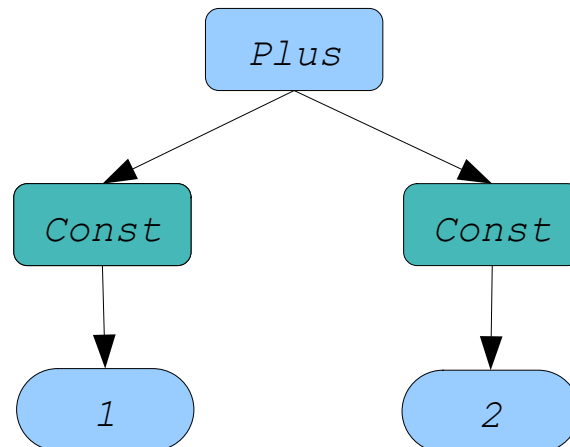
23.3.2 Code Transformations with Xcerpt Term Rewriting and Template Processing



Xcerpt Data Terms for Representing Expression Code

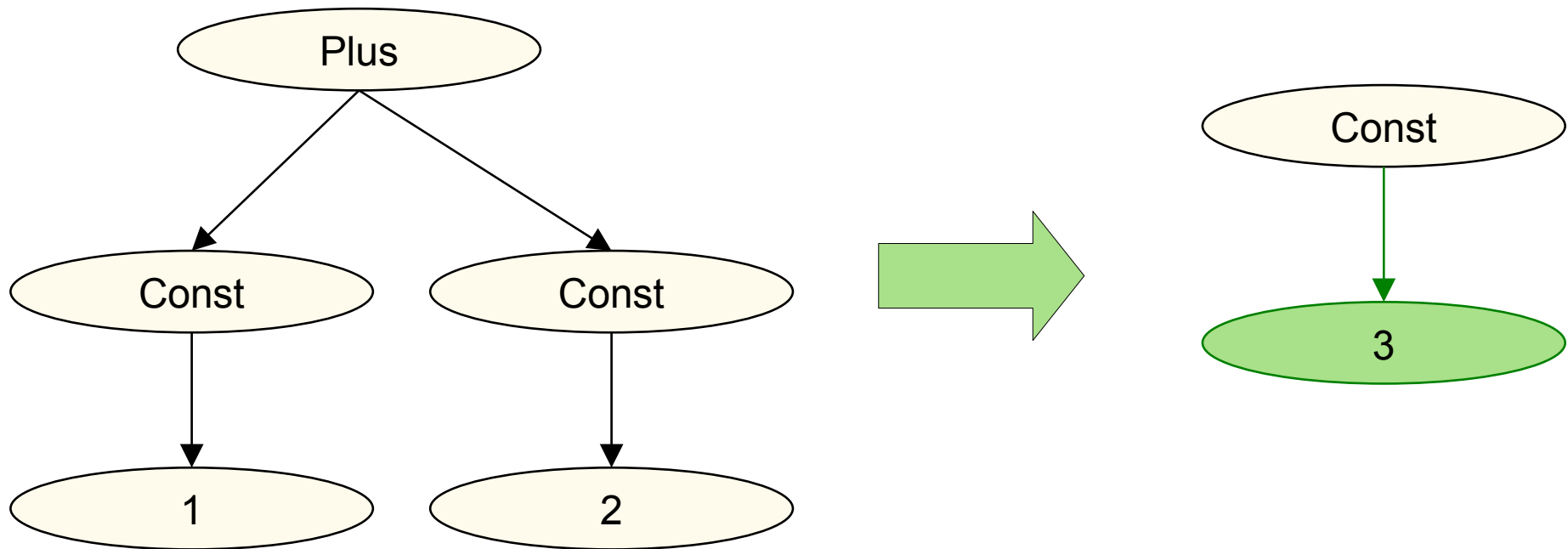
```
Plus [  
    Const [ 1 ],  
    Const [ 2 ]  
]
```

```
<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



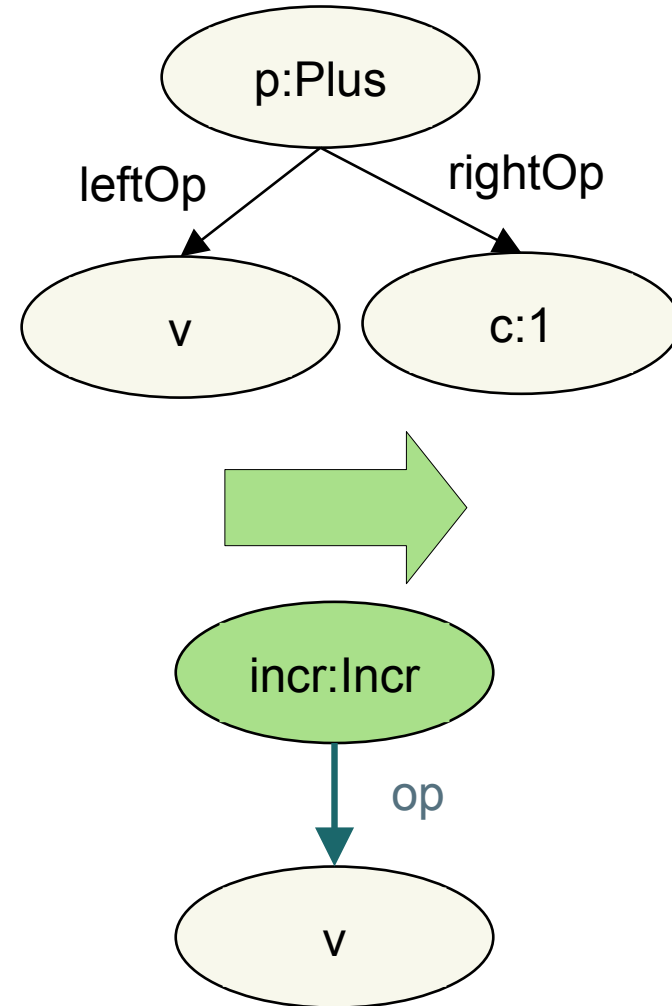
FROM Plus [Const [1], Const [2]] **CONSTRUCT** Const [3]

Context-Free Local Rewritings: Operator Strength Reduction on Link Trees

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Model-Driven Software Development in Technical Spaces (MOST)

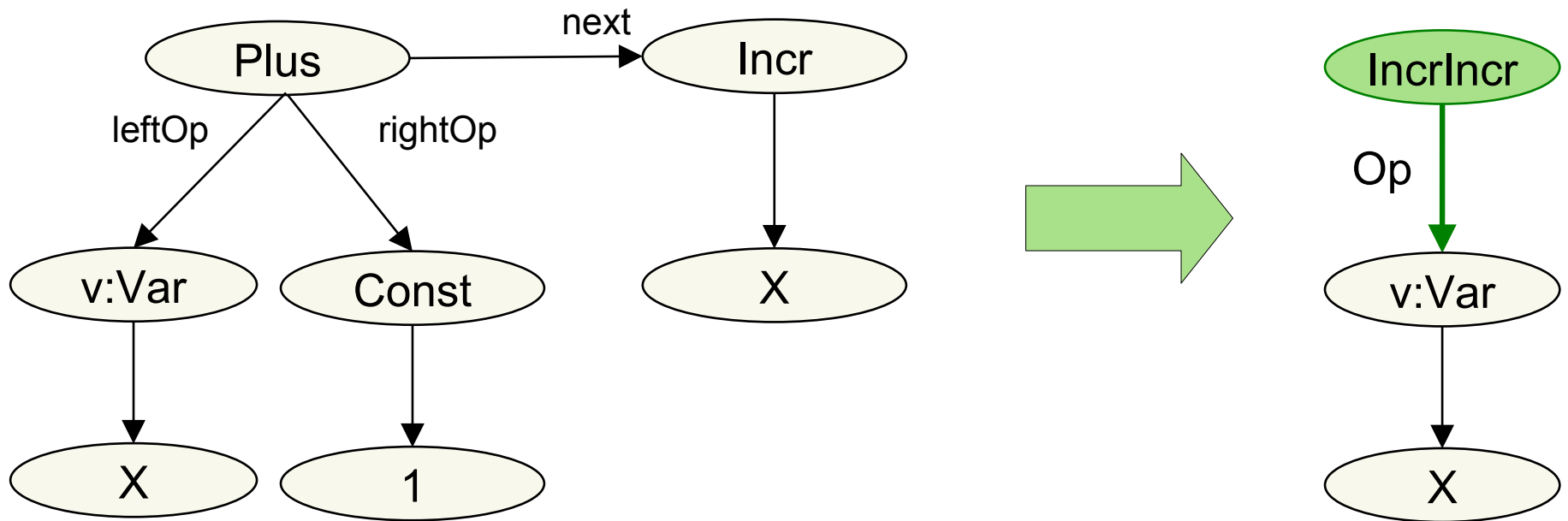
```
// if-then rules as in GrGen  
Graph Rewriting System:  
if leftOp(p:Plus, v),  
   rightOp(p, c:1),  
then  
  Delete p,  
  Delete c,  
  Add incr:Incr,  
  op(incr, v);
```



```
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[ var X] ],  
          rightOp[ Const[1] ], next[Incr[ var X]]  
CONSTRUCT IncrIncr[ Op[ var v] ]
```

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

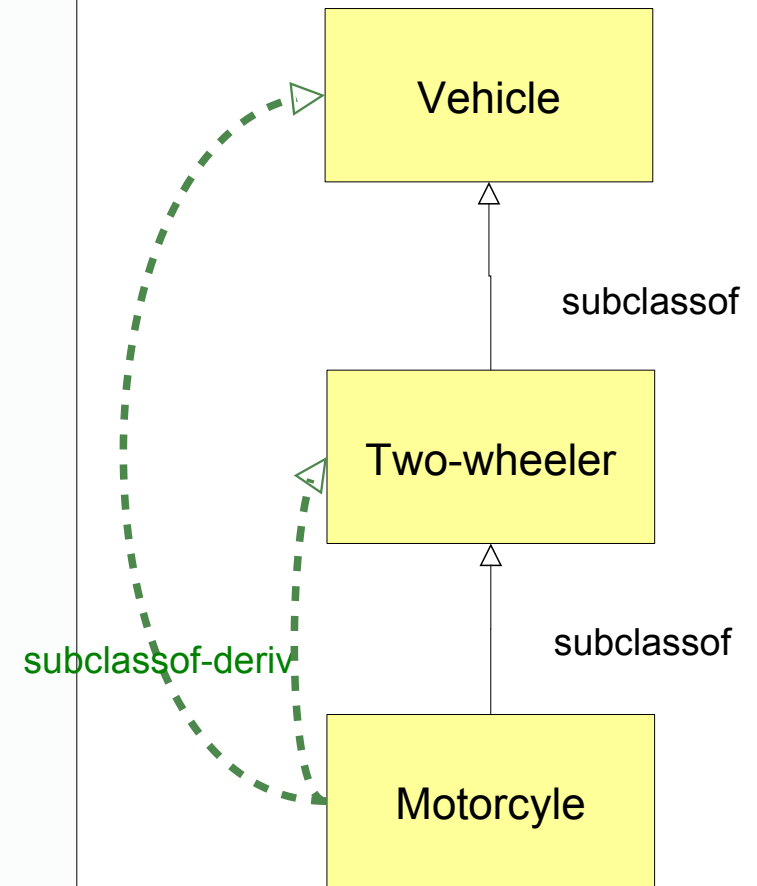
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Model-Driven Software Development in Technical Spaces (MOST)

```
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
```



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

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Model-Driven Software Development in Technical Spaces (MOST)

```
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
```

```
END
```

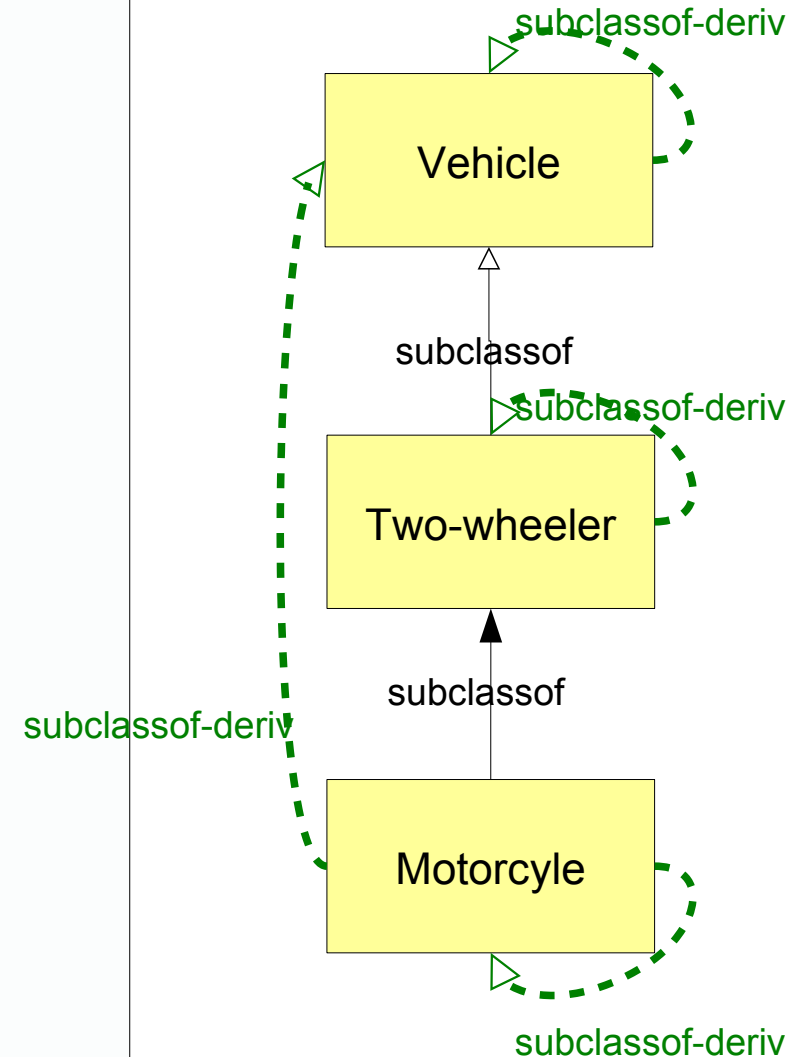
```
// Basic relation of direct subclassof
```

```
CONSTRUCT subclassof [ var Sub, var Sup ]
```

```
FROM
```

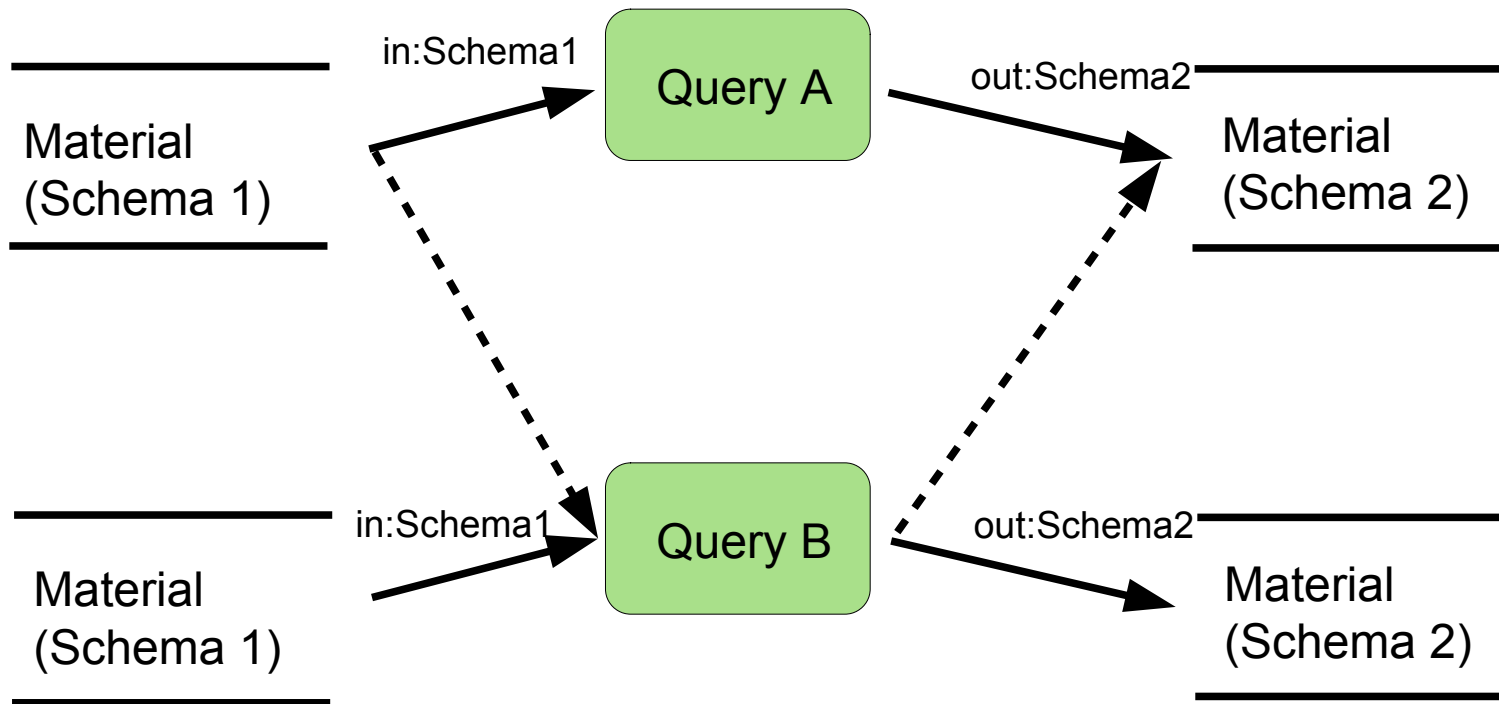
```
  in { resource { "file:...", "xml" },  
        <query> }
```

```
END
```



Use of DQL and DTL in Werkzeugen

- ▶ Stream-processing QL and TL are useful for the composition of tools on material streams



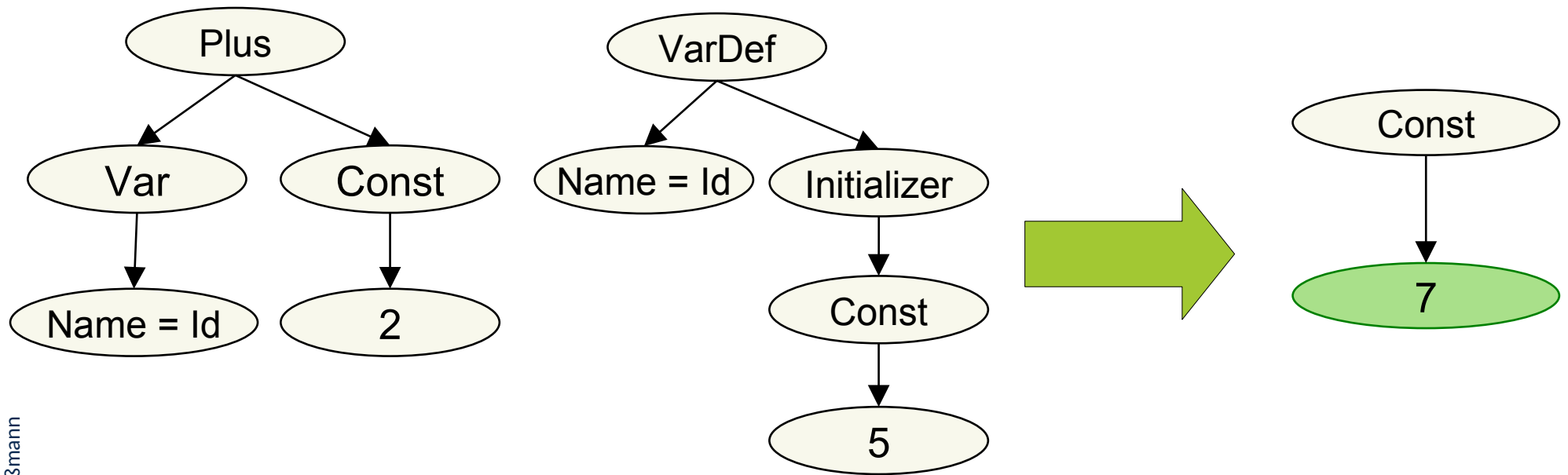
Tool composition theorem 1: Two stream-based tools can be composed if their input and output types are compatible and the output order in the output streams is commutative

23.3.3 Context-Sensitive Term Rewritings



Extended Constant Folding as Subtractive TRS

- ▶ A term rewrite rule 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[7]
```

Covered Code Optimizations

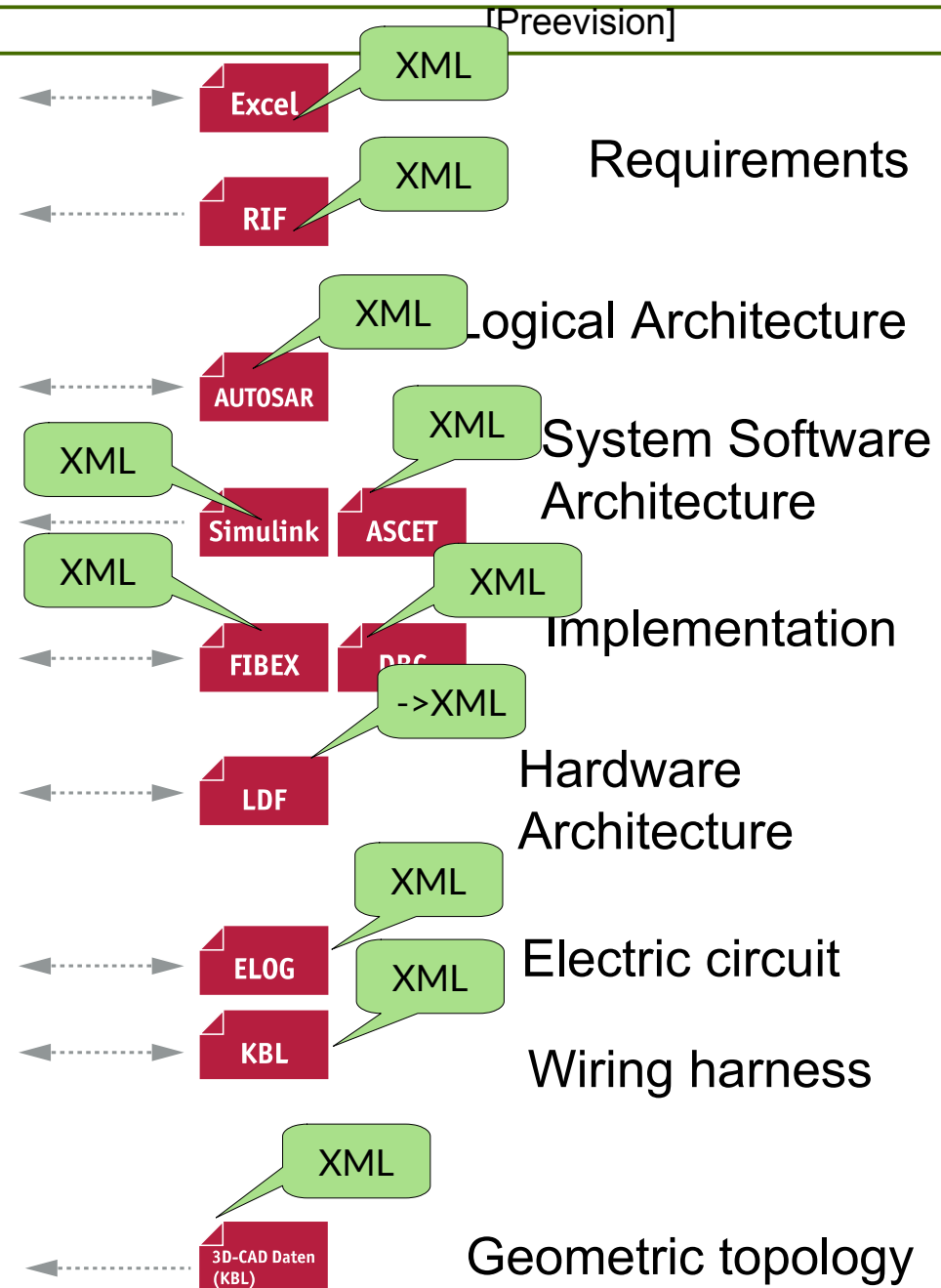
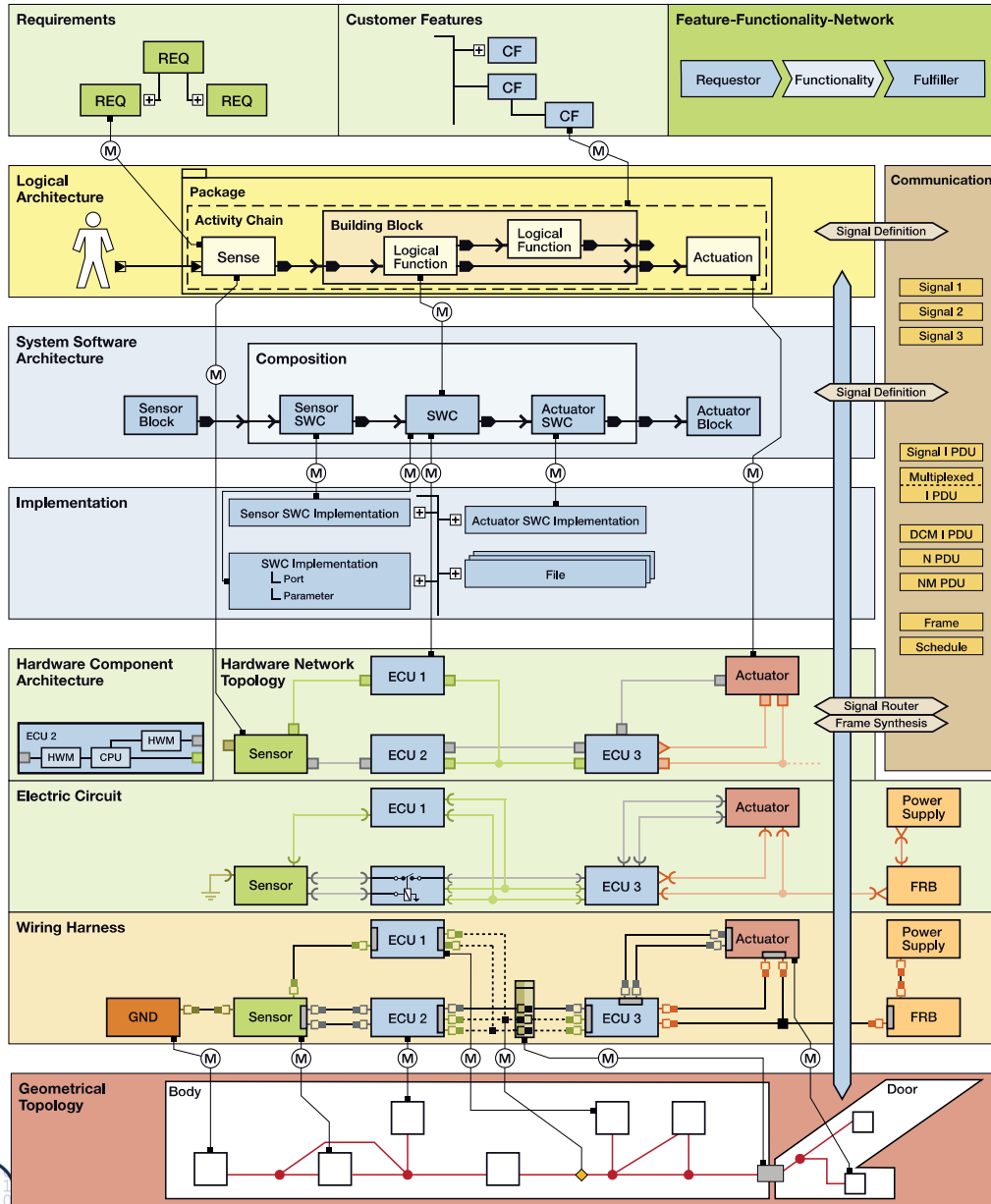
- ▶ Global transformations
 - Common Subexpression Elimination
 - introducing links that share a subexpression
 - Refactorings:
 - **Rename** all uses of a variable and its definition
 - **Move** a method into another class
 - **Split** a class
 - Code motion
 - Move an expression out of a loop
 - **Clone removal:** Outline a method from a set of clones and transform all clones to calls of the method

23.4 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



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



Geometric topology



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/>

Links on the XML Formats of PreeVision

- ▶ 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>
 - http://www.etas.com/download-center-files/products_ASCET_Software_Products/ETAS_ASCET_6.1_flyer_DE.pdf

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...)

- ▶ Many slides are courtesy to Jakob Henriksson, Sven Karol and Christoff Bürger. Thanks.

23.A.1 Technical Space Link-Treeware with Metalanguages for XML

Data in tree format with overlaying links (references)

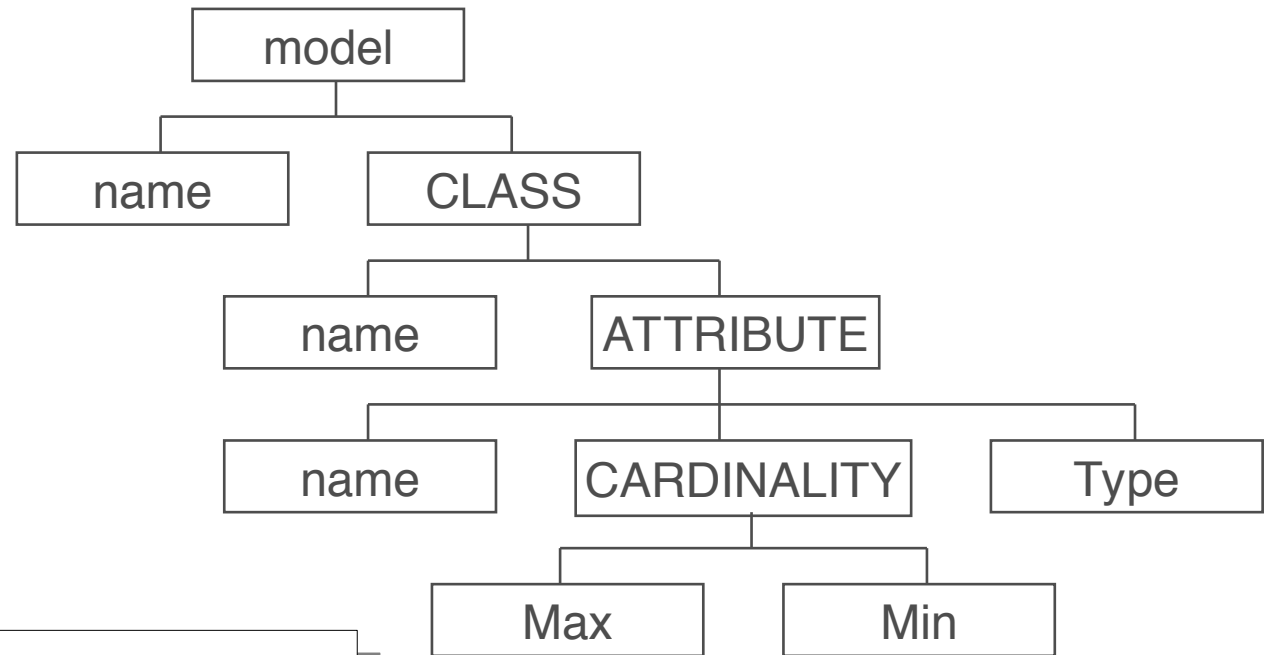


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- ▶ XML is a family of link-tree languages, mainly for
 - Markup of data
 - Syntax trees
- ▶ <http://www.w3.org/XML>
- ▶ XML is block-structured with “tag” brackets; only list, no set constructor
- ▶ XML often used as exchange format
- ▶ XML metamodels 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)>
```



Example for an XML Document Instance

- ▶ Uses all ELEMENTs of a XSD or DTD as “tags” in an XML model

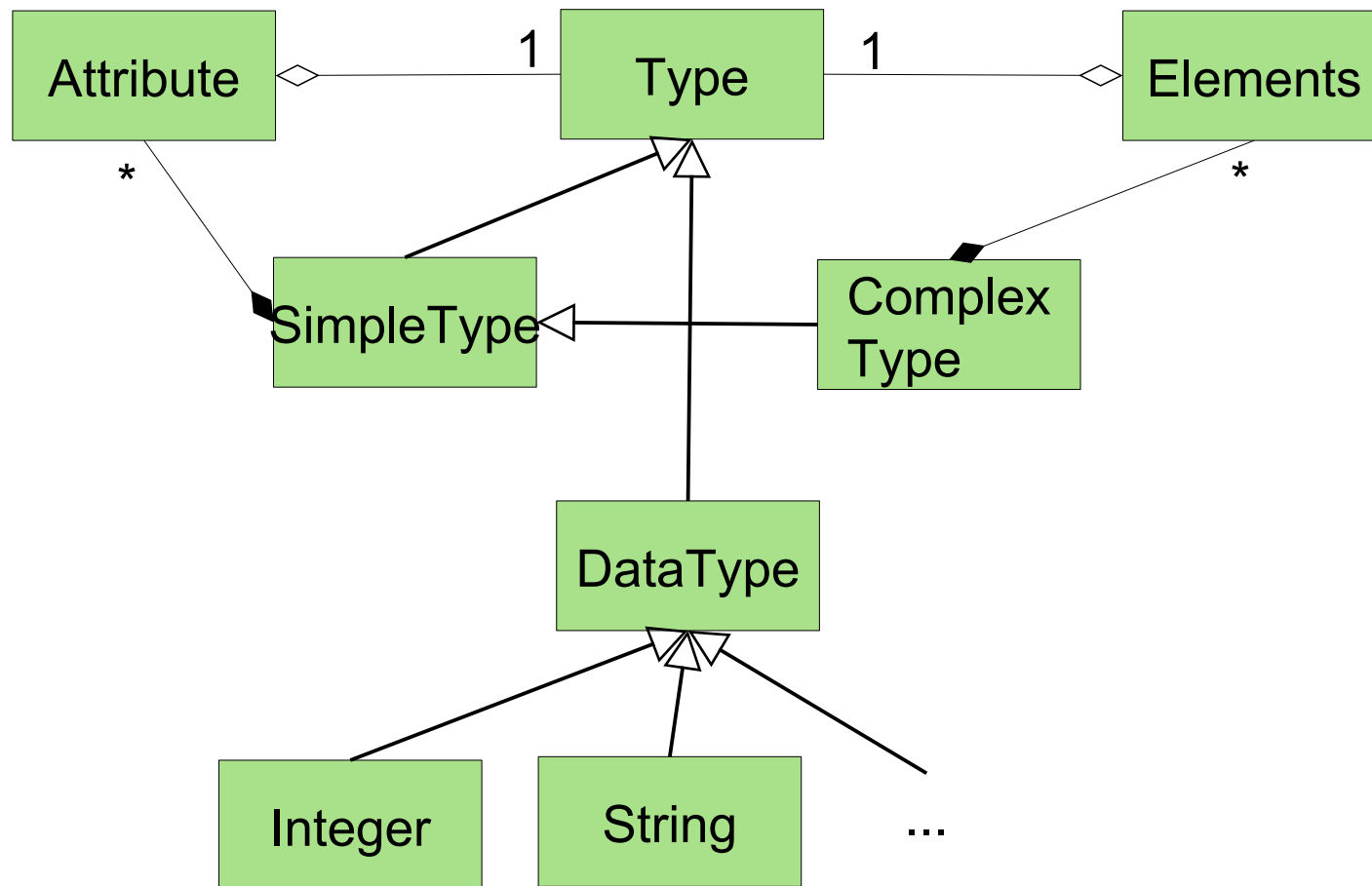
```
<? xml version = „1.0“?>
<! DOCTYPE oomodel SYSTEM „oom.dtd“>
<model>
  <name> „Model 1“ </name>
  <CLASS>
    <name> „Class 1“ </name>
    <ATTRIBUTE>
      <name> „attribute 1“ </name>
      <CARDINALITY>
        <Min> „1“ </Min>
        <Max> „1“ </Max>
      </CARDINALITY>
      <Type> „Class 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>
```

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

```
<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>
```

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.A.2 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 )
```

Xcerpt Query Modules

- ▶ A *module* is a set of rules with interfaces
 - Interfaces define reusable query services

- ▶ Define a module:

```
MODULE <name> <rule>*
```

- ▶ Define *input* and *output* interfaces:

```
public <query>; public <cterm>
```

- ▶ Import a module:

```
IMPORT <location> AS <name>
```

- ▶ Query module:

```
IN <module> ( <query> )
```

- ▶ Provision module:

```
TO <module> ( <cterm> )
```

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
```

```
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
```

Result:

```
vehicles [
  "Vehicle", "Two-wheeler", "Motorcycle"
]
```

= data flow



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

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- 1) DDL for Link Trees
- 2) Analysis with query languages
- 3) Transformation languages for Link Trees
 - 1) Xcerpt
 - 2) Context-free Transformations
 - 3) Context-sensitive Transformations
- 4) Consequences for MDSD applications



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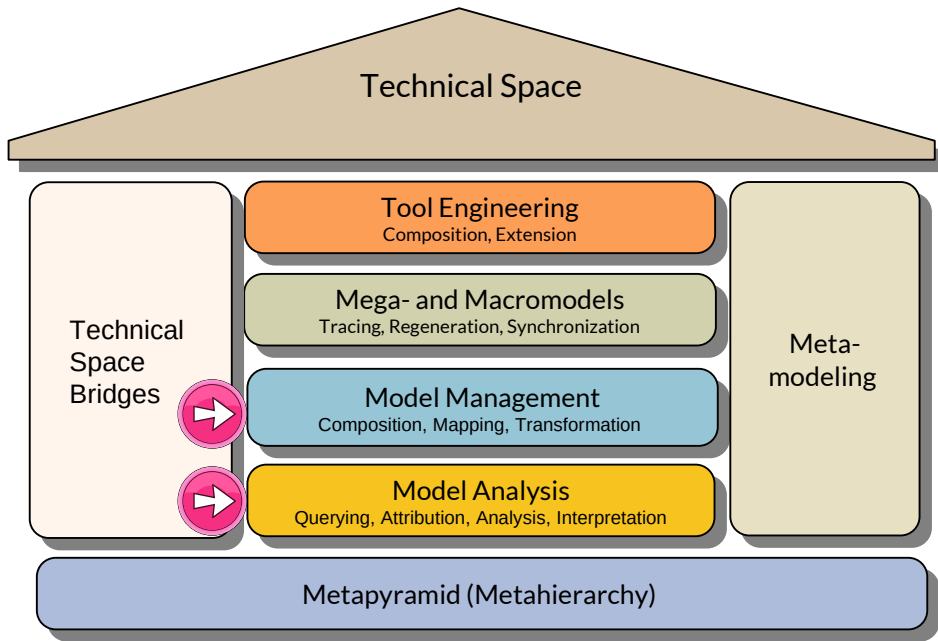
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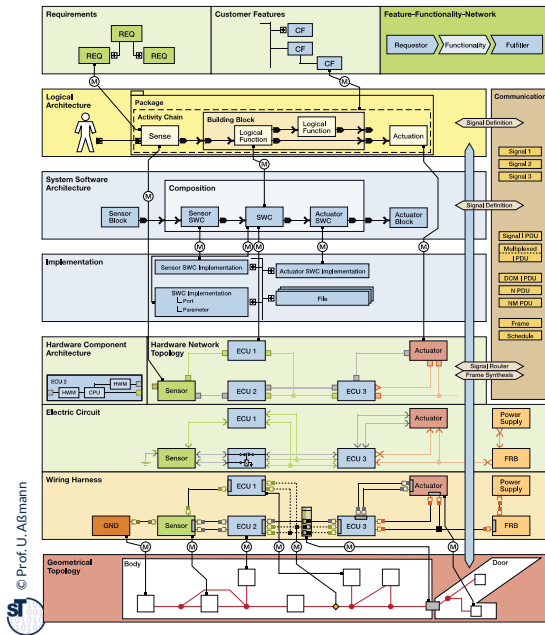
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Why Do We Need LinkTreeWare in MDSD Tools?

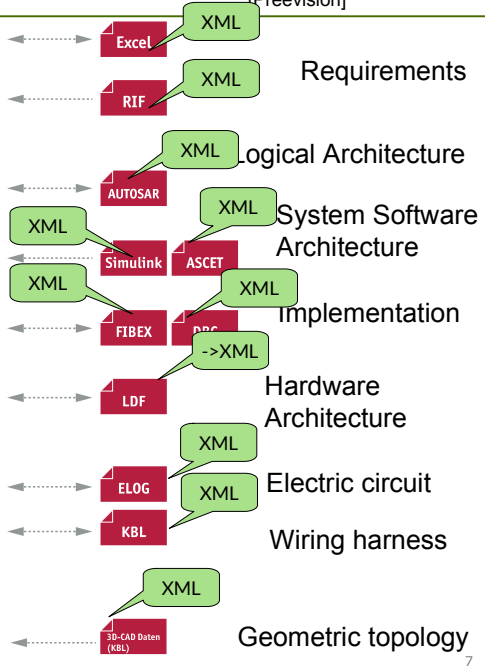
- ▶ A **link tree** is a tree with secondary cross-links. We call the primary tree the **skeleton tree**, and the secondary links form the **overlay graph**.
 - Link trees can be pretty-printed and re-read with linear or quasi-linear speed.
 - Therefore, they form ideal exchange formats for
 - Data exchange 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



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23.1 Data Definition Languages (DDL) for Link Trees

The basic layer of LinkTreeWare M2

.. XML, JSON, YAML, ...



- ▶ 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

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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, but no type constructors for nodes
- ▶ JSON often 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": "Abmann",
              "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
    }
  }
]

```

[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



23.2. Flat Analysis on Link Trees



“Flat” 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)



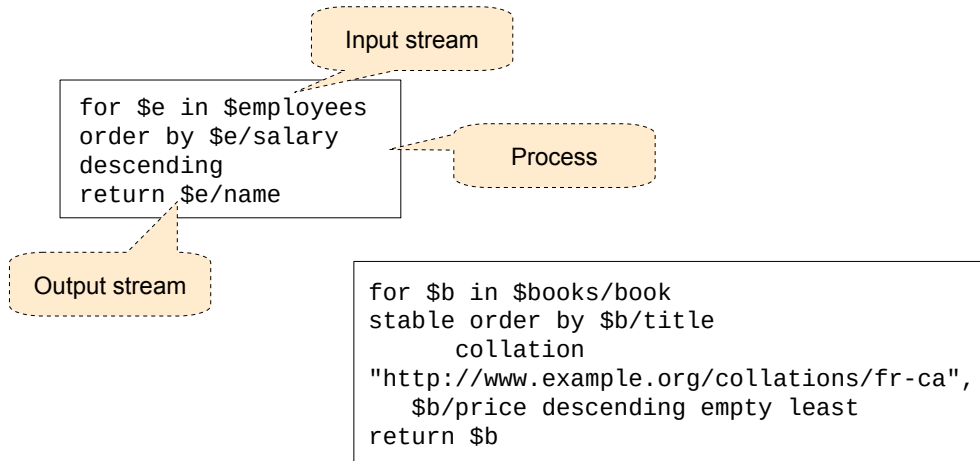
23.2.1 XQuery

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



Hamlet (Shakespeare) in XML Markup

```
<?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"?>
```



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

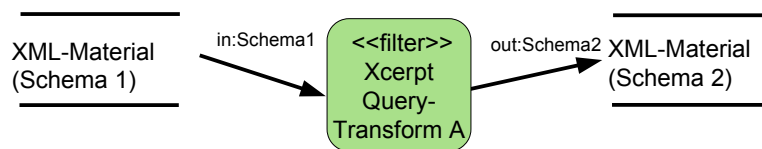


- ▶ Xcerpt prototype compiler: <http://sourceforge.net/projects/xcerpt>
- ▶ Sebastian Schaffert. Xcerpt: A Rule-Based Query and Transformation Language for the Web. PhD Thesis, Institute for Informatics, University of Munich, 2004.
- ▶ Sebastian Schaffert, François Bry. Querying the Web Reconsidered: A Practical Introduction to Xcerpt (2004) In Proc. Extreme Markup Languages
 - <http://www.pms.informatik.uni-muenchen.de/publikationen/PMS-FB/PMS-FB-2004-7.pdf>
- ▶ U. Aßmann, S. Berger, F. Bry, T. Furche, J. Henriksson, and J. Johannes. Modular web queries from rules to stores. In 3rd International Workshop On Scalable Semantic Web Knowledge Base Systems.
- ▶ Uwe Aßmann, Andreas Bartho, Wlodek Drabent, Jakob Henriksson and Artur Wilk. Composition Framework and Typing Technology tutorial In Reverse I3-d14
 - <http://reverse.net/deliverables/m48/i3-d14.pdf>
- ▶ Jakob Henriksson and Uwe Aßmann. Component Models for Semantic Web Languages. In Semantic Techniques for the Web. Lecture Notes in Computer Science 5500. Springer Berlin / Heidelberg, ISSN 0302-9743, 2009
 - <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

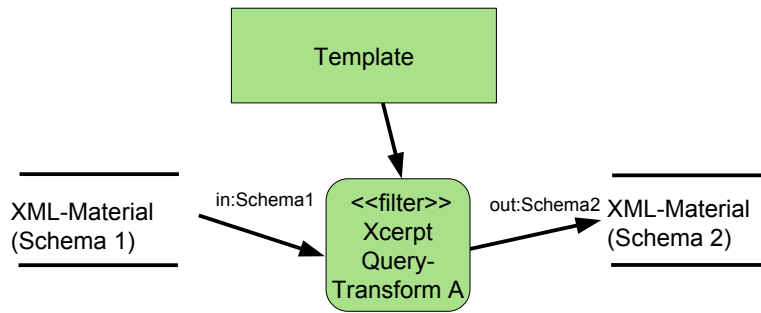
- ▶ Xcerpt is a pattern-based query language for XML formatted data
 - Terms, trees, link trees, link terms (JSON and XML terms)
 - Patterns match data w.r.t. tree structure
 - Fully declarative, in contrast to Xquery; rule-based, declarative style of Logic Programming (LP)
 - Much more flexible than 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



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:Attribute | System.in.readLine() separator(,\n')
  private p;
}
```



Xcerpt Data Terms (JSON/XML Link trees)

- ▶ 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:

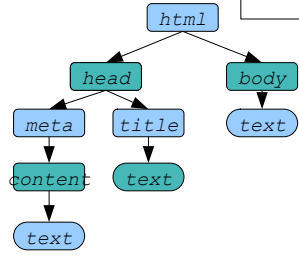
```
book [ title [ "The Last Nizam" ] ]
```



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>
```



Xcerpt Query Terms to Match and Filter 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 with List symbol: `data [term [... X]]`
 - No-order matching with Set symbol: `data { term { ... X } }`
 - Ordered partial matching and deep filtering: `[[X ...]]`
 - Unordered partial matching and filtering: `{{ ... 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”
`query(book[title[var X]])`
---> “John Zubrzycki”, “Edward Luce”, “Christopher Clark”

```
// the data base of books, to be filtered
bib [
  book [ title [ "The Last Nizam" ],      author [ "John Zubrzycki" ] ],
  book [ title [ "In Spite of the Gods" ],author [ "Edward Luce" ] ]
  book [ title [ "The Sleepwalkers" ],   author [ "Christopher Clark" ] ]
]
```



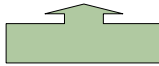
Xcerpt Query Terms

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

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



```
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" ] ]  
book [ title [ "The Sleepwalkers" ], author [ "Christopher Clark" ] ]
```



Deep Partial Unordered Matching with Xcerpt Query Terms

- ▶ A query term can do *deep 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)

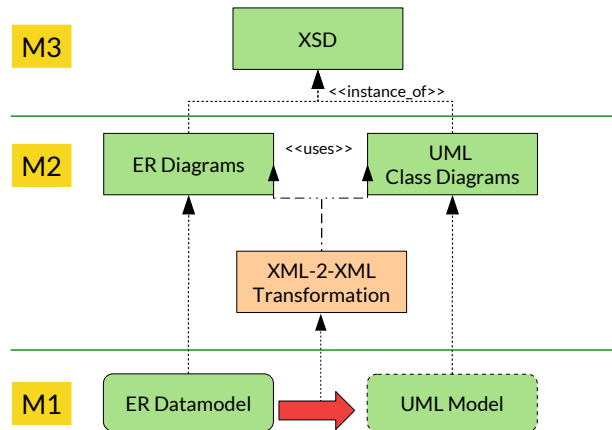
Text, XML, Term, and Graph Rewriting



DRESDEN
concept
Exzellenz aus
Wissenschaft
und Kultur

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 general *data manipulation language* (DML, *Datenmanipulationssprache*), data is transformed from one form to another
- ▶ **Declarative DML (data transformation languages, Datentransformationssprachen, DTL)** are specific DML using rules to describe transformations.
 - Specifications consist of rules, grouped in *rule sets* or *rule modules*
 - Term rewrite rules (Termersetzungssregeln) 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) in the Link-Treeware:
 - Xquery
 - Xcerpt als Strom-Manipulationssprache
 - XGRS and Fujaba (on graphs)
- ▶ On the other hand, **Imperative DML (allgemeine DML)** know states, side effects, heaps.

Link-Term and Link-Tree Rewrite Systems (Link-Termersetzungssysteme, LTRS)

- ▶ **Link-Tree Rewrite Systems (LTRS)** work on trees with links
 - e.g., Xquery or Xcerpt
 - XML-trees (**XML-Rewrite Systems**)
 - JSON trees
- ▶ Use:
 - Links are used as abbreviations to remote siblings in the tree (information in the context)
 - Links access context-sensitive information
 - Links abbreviate paths 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: “Construct one title/author pair in an (unordered) result tag”:

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

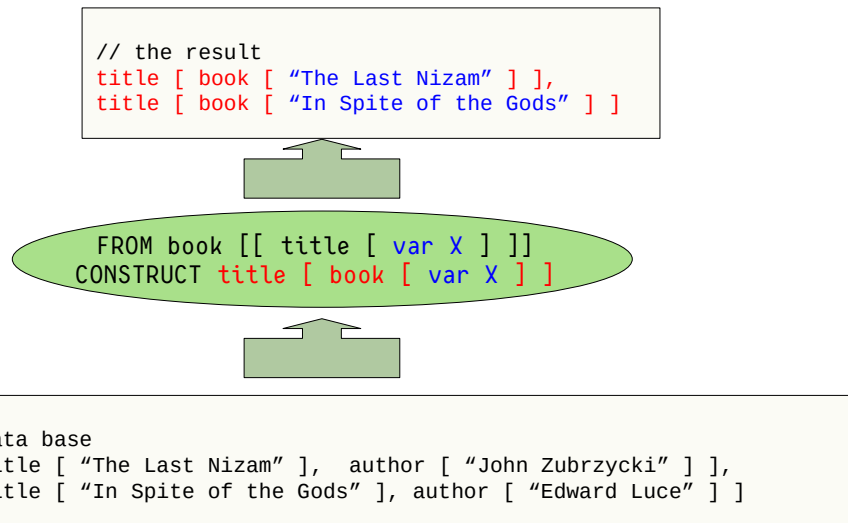
- ▶ Example: “Construct a complete book result list grouped by full author name”:

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



Xcerpt Transformation Rules

- ▶ Combine Query and Construct Terms (XML templates) via common variables:
 - Construct terms construct term fragments and embed common variables with the query term



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 results

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

Result schema of a rule

- ▶ *Goal rules:* final output

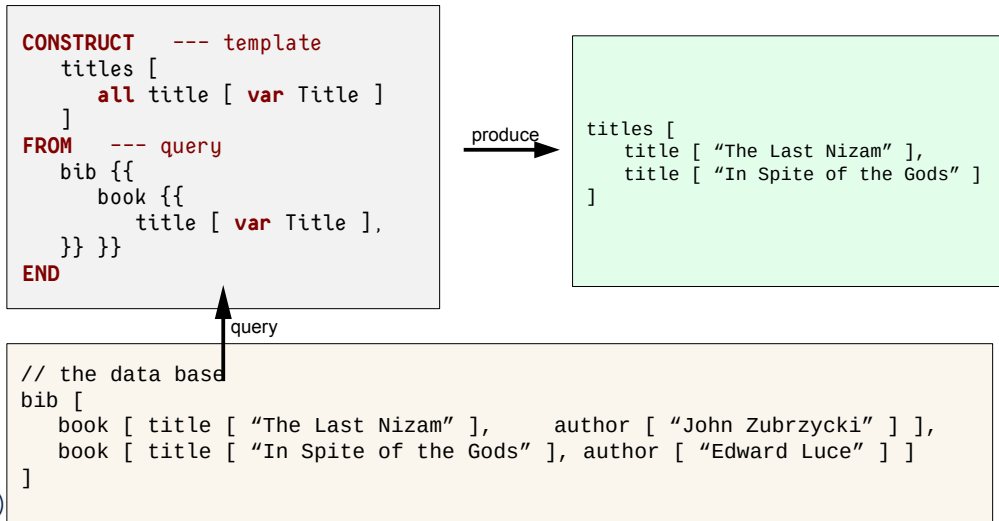
```
GOAL <head> FROM <body> END  
Where <head>: construct term; <body>: query
```

Goal schema

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

Simple Xcerpt Program

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





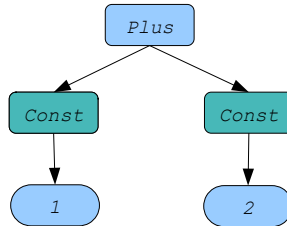
23.3.2 Code Transformations with Xcerpt Term Rewriting and Template Processing



Xcerpt Data Terms for Representing Expression Code

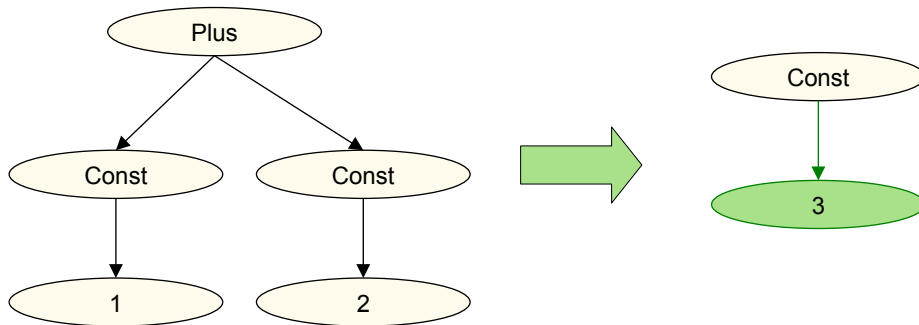
```
Plus [  
  Const [ 1 ],  
  Const [ 2 ]  
]
```

```
<Plus>  
  <Const> 1  
</Const>  
  <Const> 2  
</Const>  
</Plus>
```



Constant Folding (Static Evaluation) on Link Trees

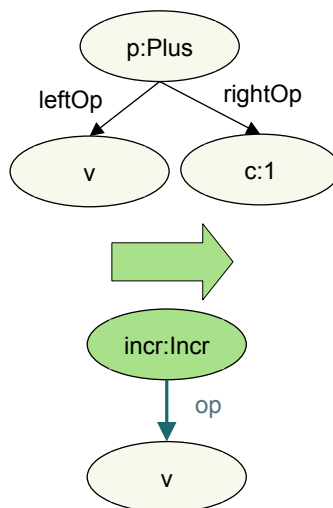
- ▶ A **local rewriting (context-free rewriting)** matches a weakly connected left-hand side graph with a redex, independently of a context.
 - Matching of one redex can be done in constant time
- ▶ Subtractive because redexes are destroyed



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

Context-Free Local Rewritings: Operator Strength Reduction on Link Trees

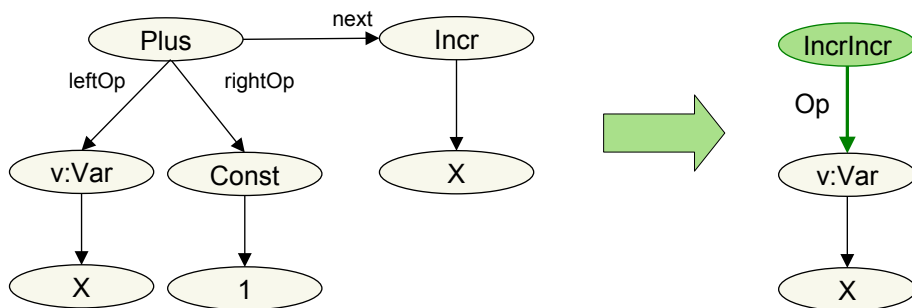
```
// if-then rules as in GrGen  
Graph Rewriting System:  
if leftOp(p:Plus,v),  
   rightOp(p,c:1),  
then  
  Delete p,  
  Delete c,  
  Add incr:Incr,  
  op(incr,v);
```



```
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



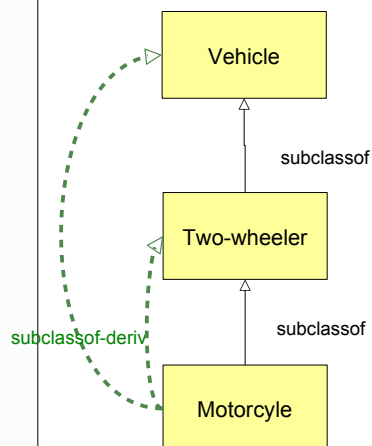
```
FROM Plus[ leftOp[ var v->Var[ var X] ],
           rightOp[ Const[1] ], next[Incr[ var X]]]
CONSTRUCT IncrIncr[ Op[ var v] ]
```

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
```

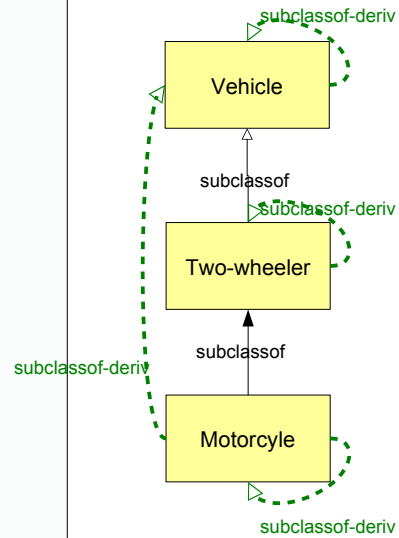


Rule Dependencies in a Set of Rules (here: All Superclasses as Transitive Closure in Inheritance Hierarchy) Variant with Self-Superclasses

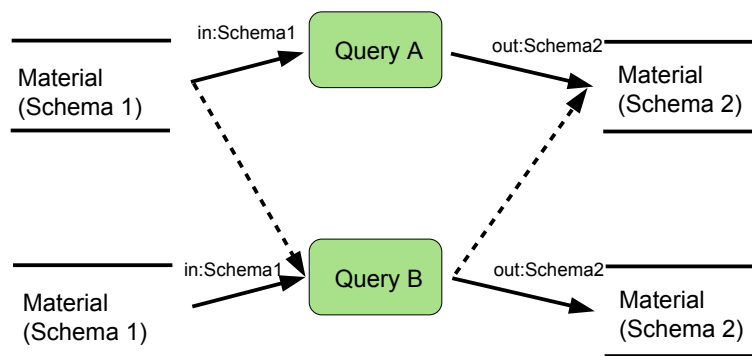
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```
CONSTRUCT // Base case of transitive closure
subclassof-deriv [ var Cls, var Cls ]
FROM
  or { subclassof [ var Z, var Cls ],
        subclassof [ var Cls, var Z ] }
END

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
```



- ▶ 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

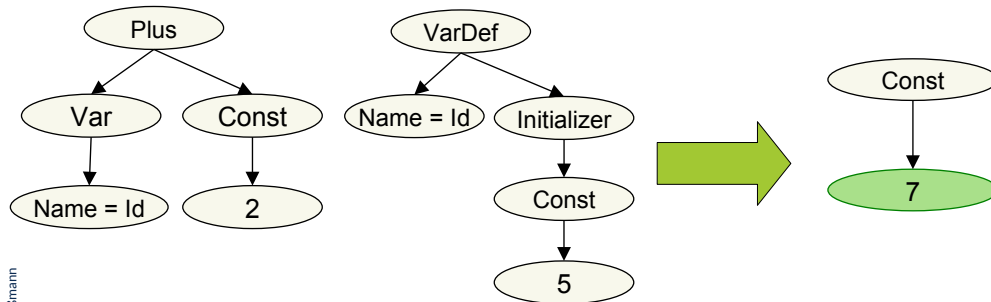


23.3.3 Context-Sensitive Term Rewritings



Extended Constant Folding as Subtractive TRS

- ▶ A term rewrite rule 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[7]
```

- ▶ Global transformations
 - Common Subexpression Elimination
 - introducing links that share a subexpression
 - Refactorings:
 - **Rename** all uses of a variable and its definition
 - **Move** a method into another class
 - **Split** a class
 - Code motion
 - Move 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

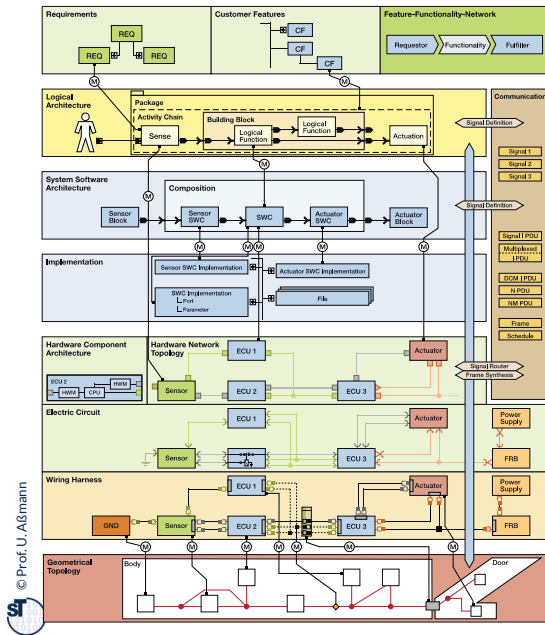


23.4 The Big Picture (I): The Importance of Link Trees for MDSD Applications

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

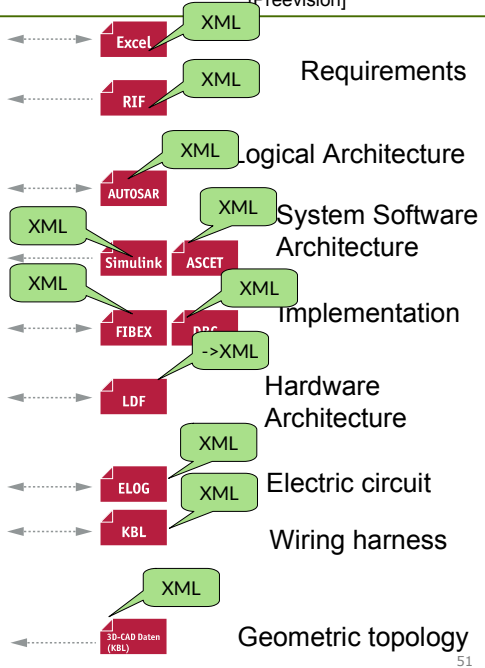


Remember the Big Example: Car Design with PREEvision (Vector): Interoperability with XML Link Trees



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[Preevision]



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/tols/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>
 - http://www.etas.com/download-center-files/products_ASCET_Software_Products/E_TAS_ASCET_6.1_flyer_DE.pdf

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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- ▶ Many slides are courtesy to Jakob Henriksson, Sven Karol and Christoff Bürger. Thanks.



23.A.1 Technical Space Link-Treeware with Metalanguages for XML

Data in tree format with overlaying links (references)

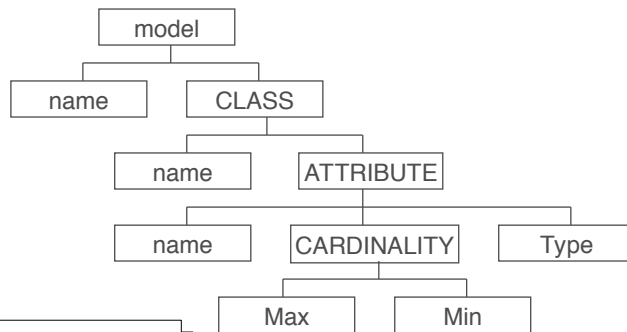


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- ▶ XML is a family of link-tree languages, mainly for
 - Markup of data
 - Syntax trees
- ▶ <http://www.w3.org/XML>
- ▶ XML is block-structured with “tag” brackets; only list, no set constructor
- ▶ XML often used as exchange format
- ▶ XML metamodels 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)>
```



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>
```

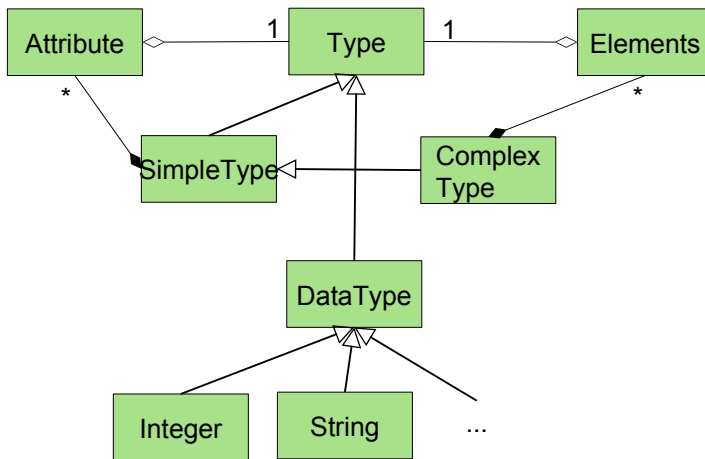


Ex.: DTD for Property Lists in XML

```
<!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:



Does XSD use inheritance?

XML Example

```
<treatment>  
  <patient insurer="1577500"nr='0503760072' />  
  <doctor city  ="HD"      nr='4321' />  
  
  <service>  
    <mkey>1234-A</mkey>  
    <date>2001-01-30</date>  
    <diagnosis>No complications.  
  </diagnosis>  
  </service>  
</treatment>
```

simple

complex

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

```
<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>

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



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>
```



Zusammensetzen mit den anderen Folien; kleiner

Eigentlich sollten hier noch Graph-Metasprachen definiert werden, z.B. RDFS oder TGraphs



23.A.2 Larger Xcerpt Programs

- ▶ Optional
- ▶ With 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 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 )
```

Xcerpt Query Modules

- ▶ A *module* is a set of rules with interfaces
 - Interfaces define reusable query services

- ▶ Define a module:

```
MODULE <name> <rule>*
```

- ▶ Define *input* and *output* interfaces:

```
public <query>; public <cterm>
```

- ▶ Import a module:

```
IMPORT <location> AS <name>
```

- ▶ Query module:

```
IN <module> ( <query> )
```

- ▶ Provision module:

```
TO <module> ( <cterm> )
```



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
```

```
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
```

Result:

```
vehicles [
  "Vehicle", "Two-wheeler", "Motorcycle"
]
```

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→ = data flow