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- Syntax and Type Checking
- Project: Build front-end of compiler for ChocoPy in Spoofax
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- Virtual Machines
- Code Generation
- Data-Flow Analysis
- Monotone Frameworks
- Register Allocation
- Memory Management

ChocoPy: Project Language

ChocoPy: A Typed Restricted Subset of Python 3

```
# Binary-search trees
class TreeNode(object):
  value:int = 0
  left:"TreeNode" = None
  right: "TreeNode" = None
  def insert(self:"TreeNode", x:int) → bool:
      if x < self.value:</pre>
         if self.left is None:
           self.left = makeNode(x)
           return True
        else:
           return self.left.insert(x)
      elif x > self.value:
        if self.right is None:
           self.right = makeNode(x)
           return True
         else:
           return self.right.insert(x)
      return False
  def contains(self:"TreeNode", x:int) → bool:
      if x < self.value:</pre>
         if self.left is None:
           return False
         else:
           return self.left.contains(x)
      elif x > self.value:
         if self.right is None:
           return False
         else:
           return self.right.contains(x)
      else:
         return True
```

ChocoPy is a programming language designed for classroom use in undergraduate compilers courses. ChocoPy is a restricted subset of Python 3, which can easily be compiled to a target such as RISC-V. The language is fully specified using formal grammar, typing rules, and operational semantics. ChocoPy is used to teach CS 164 at UC Berkeley. ChocoPy has been designed by Rohan Padhye and Koushik Sen, with substantial contributions from Paul Hilfinger.

At a glance, ChocoPy is:

- **Familiar**: ChocoPy programs can be executed directly in a Python (3.6+) interpreter. ChocoPy programs can also be edited using standard Python syntax highlighting.
- **Safe**: ChocoPy uses Python 3.6 type annotations to enforce static type checking. The type system supports nominal subtyping.
- Concise: A full compiler for ChocoPy be implemented in about 12 weeks by undergraduate students of
 computer science. This can be a hugely rewarding exercise for students.
- Expressive: One can write non-trivial ChocoPy programs using lists, classes, and nested functions. Such language features also lead to interesting implications for compiler design.

Bonus: Due to static type safety and ahead-of-time compilation, most student implementations outperform the reference Python implementation on non-trivial benchmarks.

Source: https://chocopy.org/

A Compiler and IDE for ChocoPy

```
🥏 binary_tree.rv32im 🖾
                  1.equiv @sbrk, 9
                   51
                              else:
                                                                                  2 .equiv @print_string, 4
                                  return self.root.contains(x)
                                                                                  3.equiv @print_char, 11
                                                                                  4 .equiv @print_int, 1
                   54 def makeNode(x: int) → TreeNode:
                                                                                  5.equiv @exit2, 17
                          b:TreeNode = None
                                                                                  6.equiv @read_string, 8
                         b = TreeNode()
                                                                                  7.equiv @fill_line_buffer, 18
                         b.value = x
                                                                                  8 .equiv @.__obj_size__, 4
                          return b
                                                                                  9 .equiv @.__len__, 12
                                                                                 10 .equiv @.__int__, 12
                                                                                 11 .equiv @
                                                                                 12 -equiv © Compiler from ChocoPy to RISC-V (CS4200-B)
ChocoPy IDE with syntax checking, syntax
                                                                                 13 .equiv @
coloring, type checking (CS4200-A)
                                                                                 14 .equiv @error_div_zero, 2
                                                                                 15 .equiv @error_arg, 1
                   65 # Data
                                                                                 16 .equiv @error_oob, 3
                   66 t:Tree = None
                                                                                 17 .equiv @error_none, 4
                   67 i:int = 0
                                                                                 18 .equiv @error_oom, 5
                   68 \text{ k:int} = 37813
                                                                                 19 .equiv @error_nyi, 6
                                                                                 20 .equiv @listHeaderWords, 4
                   70 # Crunch
                                                                                 21 .equiv @bool.True, const_39
                   71 t = Tree()
                                                                                 22 .equiv @bool.False, const_38
                   72 while i < n:
                         t.insert(k)
                                                                                 24 .data
                         k = (k * 37813) % 37831
                         if i % c \neq 0:
                                                                                 26 .globl $object$prototype
                             t.insert(i)
                                                                                 27 $object$prototype:
                         i = i + 1
                                                                                 28 .word 0
                                                                                binary_tree.result.txt 🖾 🔌
                   79 print(t.size)
                                                                                1175
                                                                                2 15
                   81 for i in [4, 8, 15, 16, 23, 42]:
                                                                                3 23
                          if t.contains(i):
                                                                                                                Executing RISC-V with simulator
```

4 42

print(i)

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ChocoPy: Language Manual and Reference

Start Reading!

ChocoPy v2.2: Language Manual and Reference

Designed by Rohan Padhye and Koushik Sen; v2 changes by Paul Hilfnger

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Homework in WebLab

#spoofax-users

#spoofax-users channel on research group Slack

- Where many Spoofax users hang out
- Ask questions about Spoofax
- (Not answers to assignments)
- No guarantee to quick response, or answer at all

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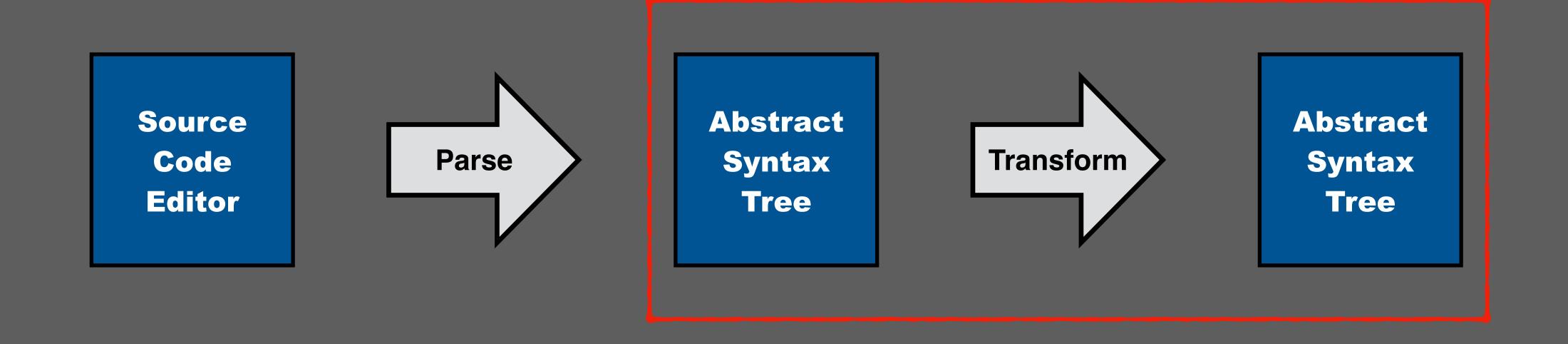
Program Transformation by Term Rewriting

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This Lecture



Define transformations on abstract syntax trees (terms) using rewrite rules

Reading Material

The following papers add background, conceptual exposition, and examples to the material from the slides. Some notation and technical details have been changed; check the documentation.

Term rewrite rules define transformations on (abstract syntax) trees. Traditional rewrite systems apply rules exhaustively. This paper introduces programmable rewriting strategies to control the application of rules, the core of the design of the Stratego transformation language.

Note that the notation for contextual rules is no longer supported by Stratego. However, the technique to implement contextual rules still applies.

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Building Program Optimizers with Rewriting Strategies*

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Abstract

We describe a language for defining term rewriting strategies, and its application to the production of program optimizers. Valid transformations on program terms can be described by a set of rewrite rules; rewriting strategies are used to describe when and how the various rules should be applied in order to obtain the desired optimization effects. Separating rules from strategies in this fashion makes it easier to reason about the behavior of the optimizer as a whole, compared to traditional monolithic optimizer implementations. We illustrate the expressiveness of our language by using it to describe a simple optimizer for an ML-like intermediate representation.

The basic strategy language uses operators such as sequential composition, choice, and recursion to build transformers from a set of labeled unconditional rewrite rules. We also define an extended language in which the side-conditions and contextual rules that arise in realistic optimizer specifications can themselves be expressed as strategy-driven rewrites. We show that the features of the basic and extended languages can be expressed by breaking down the rewrite rules into their primitive building blocks, namely matching and building terms in variable binding environments. This gives us a low-level core language which has a clear semantics, can be implemented straightforwardly and can itself be optimized. The current implementation generates C code from a strategy specification.

1 Introduction

Compiler components such as parsers, pretty-printers and code generators are routinely produced using program generators. The component is specified in a high-level language from which the program generator produces its implementation. Program optimizers are difficult labor-intensive components that are usually still developed manually, despite many attempts at producing optimizer generators (e.g., [19, 12, 28, 25, 18, 11]).

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A program optimizer transforms the source code of a program into a program that has the same meaning, but is more efficient. On the level of specification and documentation, optimizers are often presented as a set of correctnesspreserving rewrite rules that transform code fragments into equivalent more efficient code fragments (e.g., see Table 5). This is particularly attractive for functional language compilers (e.g., [3, 4, 24]) that operate via successive small transformations, and don't rely on analyses requiring significant auxiliary data structures. The paradigm provided by conventional rewrite engines is to compute the normal form of a program with respect to a set of rewrite rules. However, optimizers are usually not implemented in this way. Instead, an algorithm is produced that implements a strategy for applying the optimization rules. Such a strategy contains meta-knowledge about the set of rewrite rules and the programming language they are applied to in order to (1) control the application of rules; (2) guarantee termination of optimization; (3) make optimization more efficient.

Such an ad-hoc implementation of a rewriting system has several drawbacks, even when implemented in a language with good support for pattern matching, such as ML or Haskell. First of all, the transformation rules are embedded in the code of the optimizer, making them hard to understand, to maintain, and to reuse individual rules in other transformations. Secondly, the strategy is not specified at the same level of abstraction as the transformation rules, making it hard to reason about the correctness of the optimizer even if the individual rules are correct. Finally, the host language has no awareness of the transformation domain underlying the implementation and can therefore not use this domain knowledge to optimize the optimizer itself.

It would be desirable to apply term rewriting technology directly to produce program optimizers. However, the standard approach to rewriting is to provide a fixed strategy (e.g., innermost or outermost) for normalizing a term with respect to a set of user-defined rewrite rules. This is not satisfactory when—as is usually the case for optimizers—the rewrite rules are neither confluent nor terminating. A common work-around is to encode a strategy into the rules themselves, e.g., by using an explicit function symbol that controls where rewrites are allowed. But this approach has the same disadvantages as the ad-hoc implementation of rewriting described above: the rules are hard to read, and the strategies are still expressed at a low level of abstraction.

In this paper we argue that a better solution is to use explicit specification of rewriting strategies. We show how

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Stratego/XT combines SDF2 and Stratego into toolset for program transformation.

This paper gives a high-level overview of the concepts.

The StrategoXT.jar is still part of the Spoofax distribution.

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Program Transformation with Stratego/XT Rules, Strategies, Tools, and Systems in Stratego/XT 0.9

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Abstract. Stratego/XT is a framework for the development of transformation systems aiming to support a wide range of program transformations. The framework consists of the transformation language Stratego and the XT collection of transformation tools. Stratego is based on the paradigm of rewriting under the control of programmable rewriting strategies. The XT tools provide facilities for the infrastructure of transformation systems including parsing and pretty-printing. The framework addresses the entire range of the development process; from the specification of transformations to their composition into transformation systems. This chapter gives an overview of the main ingredients involved in the composition of transformation systems with Stratego/XT, where we distinguish the abstraction levels of rules, strategies, tools, and systems.

1 Introduction

Program transformation, the automatic manipulation of source programs, emerged in the context of compilation for the implementation of components such as optimizers [28]. While compilers are rather specialized tools developed by few, transformation systems are becoming widespread. In the paradigm of generative programming [13], the generation of programs from specifications forms a key part of the software engineering process. In refactoring [21], transformations are used to restructure a program in order to improve its design. Other applications of program transformation include migration and reverse engineering. The common goal of these transformations is to increase programmer productivity by automating programming tasks.

With the advent of XML, transformation techniques are spreading beyond the area of programming language processing, making transformation a necessary operation in any scenario where structured data play a role. Techniques from program transformation are applicable in document processing. In turn, applications such as Active Server Pages (ASP) for the generation of web-pages in dynamic HTML has inspired the creation of program generators such as Jostraca [31], where code templates specified in the concrete syntax of the object language are instantiated with application data.

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Spoofax combines SDF2 and Stratego into a language workbench, i.e. an IDE for creating language definition from which IDEs for the defined languages can be generated.

A distinctive feature of Spoofax is live language development, which supports developing a language definition and programs in the defined language in the same IDE instance.

Spoofax was developed for Eclipse, which is still the main development platform. However, Spoofax Core is now independent of any IDE.

Note that the since the publication of this paper, we have introduced more declarative approaches to name and type analysis, which will be the topic of the next lectures.

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The Spoofax Language Workbench

Rules for Declarative Specification of Languages and IDEs

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Abstract

Spoofax is a language workbench for efficient, agile development of textual domain-specific languages with state-ofthe-art IDE support. Spoofax integrates language processing techniques for parser generation, meta-programming, and IDE development into a single environment. It uses concise, declarative specifications for languages and IDE services. In this paper we describe the architecture of Spoofax and introduce idioms for high-level specifications of language semantics using rewrite rules, showing how analyses can be reused for transformations, code generation, and editor services such as error marking, reference resolving, and content completion. The implementation of these services is supported by language-parametric editor service classes that can be dynamically loaded by the Eclipse IDE, allowing new languages to be developed and used side-by-side in the same Eclipse environment.

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General Terms Languages

1. Introduction

Domain-specific languages (DSLs) provide high expressive power focused on a particular problem domain [38, 47]. They provide linguistic abstractions over common tasks within a domain, so that developers can concentrate on application logic rather than the accidental complexity of low-level implementation details. DSLs have a concise, domain-specific notation for common tasks in a domain, and allow reasoning at the level of these constructs. This allows them to be used for automated, domain-specific analysis, verification, optimization, parallelization, and transformation (AVOPT) [38].

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For developers to be productive with DSLs, good integrated development environments (IDEs) for these languages are essential. Over the past four decades, IDEs have slowly risen from novelty tool status to becoming a fundamental part of software engineering. In early 2001, IntelliJ IDEA [42] revolutionized the IDE landscape [17] with an IDE for the Java language that parsed files as they were typed (with error recovery in case of syntax errors), performed semantic analysis in the background, and provided code navigation with a live view of the program outline, references to declarations of identifiers, content completion proposals as programmers were typing, and the ability to transform the program based on the abstract representation (refactorings). The now prominent Eclipse platform, and soon after, Visual Studio, quickly adopted these same features. No longer would programmers be satisfied with code editors that provided basic syntax highlighting and a "build" button. For new languages to become a success, state-of-the-art IDE support is now mandatory. For the production of DSLs this requirement is a particular problem, since these languages are often developed with much fewer resources than general purpose languages.

There are five key ingredients for the construction of a new domain-specific language. (1) A parser for the *syntax* of the language. (2) Semantic *analysis* to validate DSL programs according to some set of constraints. (3) *Transformations* manipulate DSL programs and can convert a high-level, technology-independent DSL specification to a lower-level program. (4) A *code generator* that emits executable code. (5) Integration of the language into an *IDE*.

Traditionally, a lot of effort was required for each of these ingredients. However, there are now many tools that support the various aspects of DSL development. Parser generators can automatically create a parsers from a grammar. Modern parser generators can construct efficient parsers that can be used in an interactive environment, supporting error recovery in case of syntax-incorrect or incomplete programs. Meta-programming languages [3, 10, 12, 20, 35] and frameworks [39, 57] make it much easier to specify the semantics of a language. Tools and frameworks for IDE development such as IMP [7, 8] and TMF [56], simplify the implementation of IDE services. Other tools, such as the Synthesizer

Documentation for Stratego at the <u>metaborg.org</u> website.

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Syntax Definition with SDF3

Static Semantics with NaBL2

Transformation with Stratego

Stratego Tutorial/Reference (Old)

The Stratego Library

Concrete Syntax in Stratego Transformations Docs » Transformation with Stratego



Transformation with Stratego

Parsing a program text results in an abstract syntax tree. Stratego is a language for defining transformations on such trees. Stratego provides a term notation to construct and deconstruct trees and uses *term rewriting* to define transformations. Instead of applying all rewrite rules to all sub-terms, Stratego supports programmable *rewriting* strategies that control the application of rewrite rules.

- Stratego Tutorial/Reference (Old)
- The Stratego Library
- Concrete Syntax in Stratego Transformations





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This paper defines the formal semantics of the full Stratego language, including its scoped dynamic rules feature.

These slides document most features of the base language without dynamic rules and without giving the formal semantics.

If you want to dig deeper

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Program Transformation with Scoped Dynamic Rewrite Rules

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Abstract. The applicability of term rewriting to program transformation is limited by the lack of control over rule application and by the context-free nature of rewrite rules. The first problem is addressed by languages supporting user-definable rewriting strategies. The second problem is addressed by the extension of rewriting strategies with scoped dynamic rewrite rules. Dynamic rules are defined at run-time and can access variables available from their definition context. Rules defined within a rule scope are automatically retracted at the end of that scope. In this paper, we explore the design space of dynamic rules, and their application to transformation problems. The technique is formally defined by extending the operational semantics underlying the program transformation language Stratego, and illustrated by means of several program transformations in Stratego, including constant propagation, bound variable renaming, dead code elimination, function inlining, and function specialization.

1. Introduction

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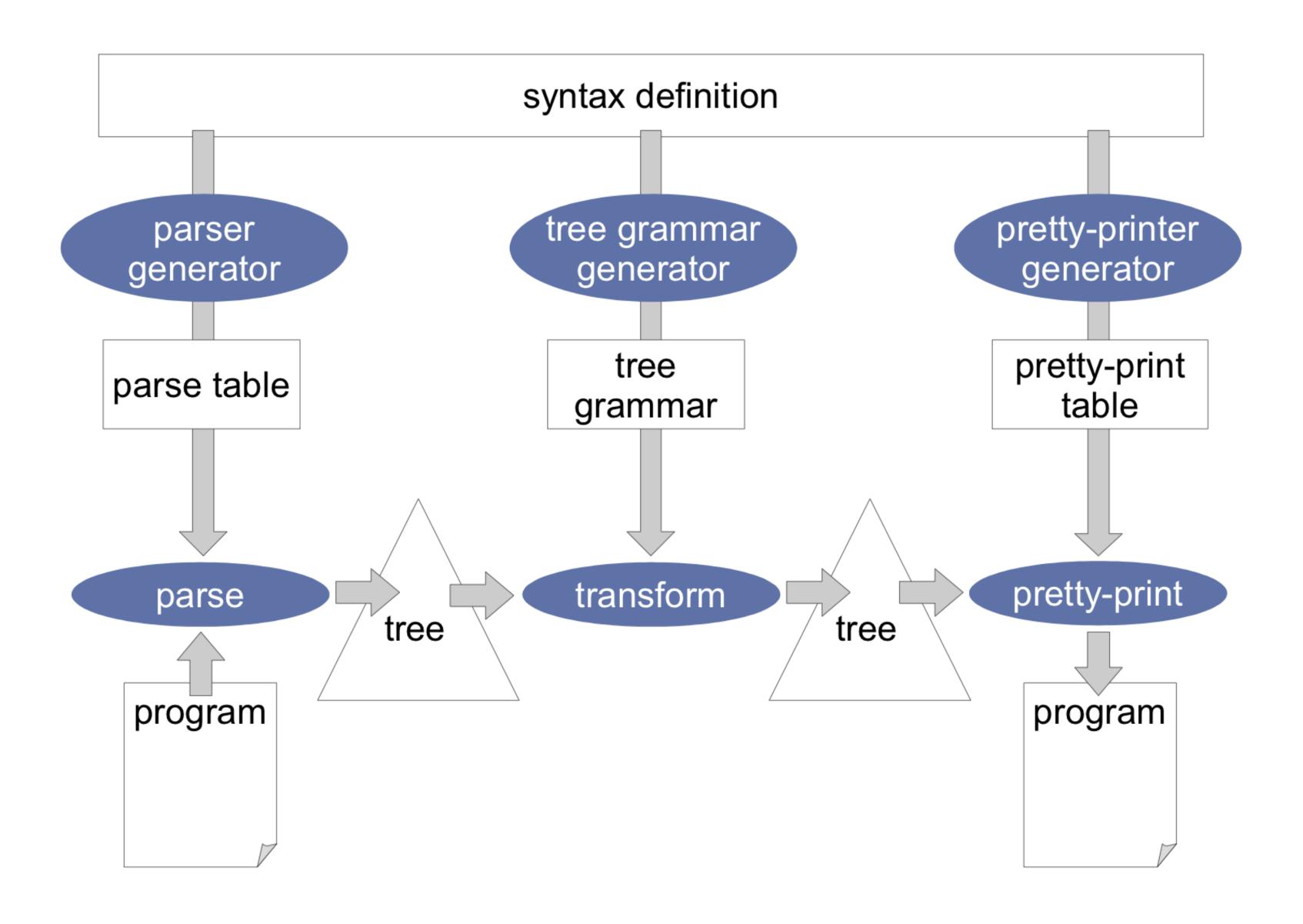
Program transformation is the mechanical manipulation of a program in order to improve it relative to some cost function C such that C(P) > C(tr(P)), i.e. the cost decreases as a result of applying the transformation [30, 29, 11]. The cost of a program can be measured in different dimensions such as performance, memory usage, understandability, flexibility, maintainability, portability, correctness, or satisfaction of requirements. Related to these goals, program transformations are applied in different settings; e.g. compiler optimizations improve performance [24] and refactoring tools aim at improving understandability [28, 14]. While transformations can be achieved by manual manipulation of programs, in general, the aim of program transformation is to increase programmer productivity by automating

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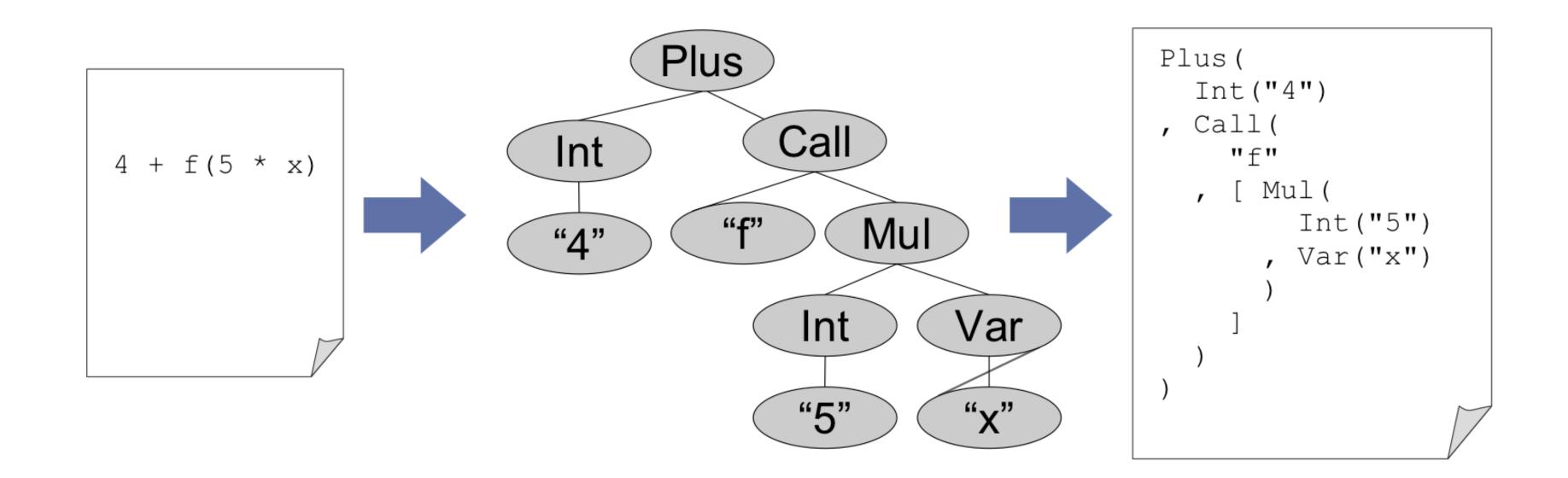
Transformation Architecture

This presentation uses the Stratego Shell for explaining the behavior of Stratego programs. The Stratego Shell is currently not supported by Spoofax

Architecture of Stratego/XT



Programs as Terms



Trees are represented as terms in the ATerm format

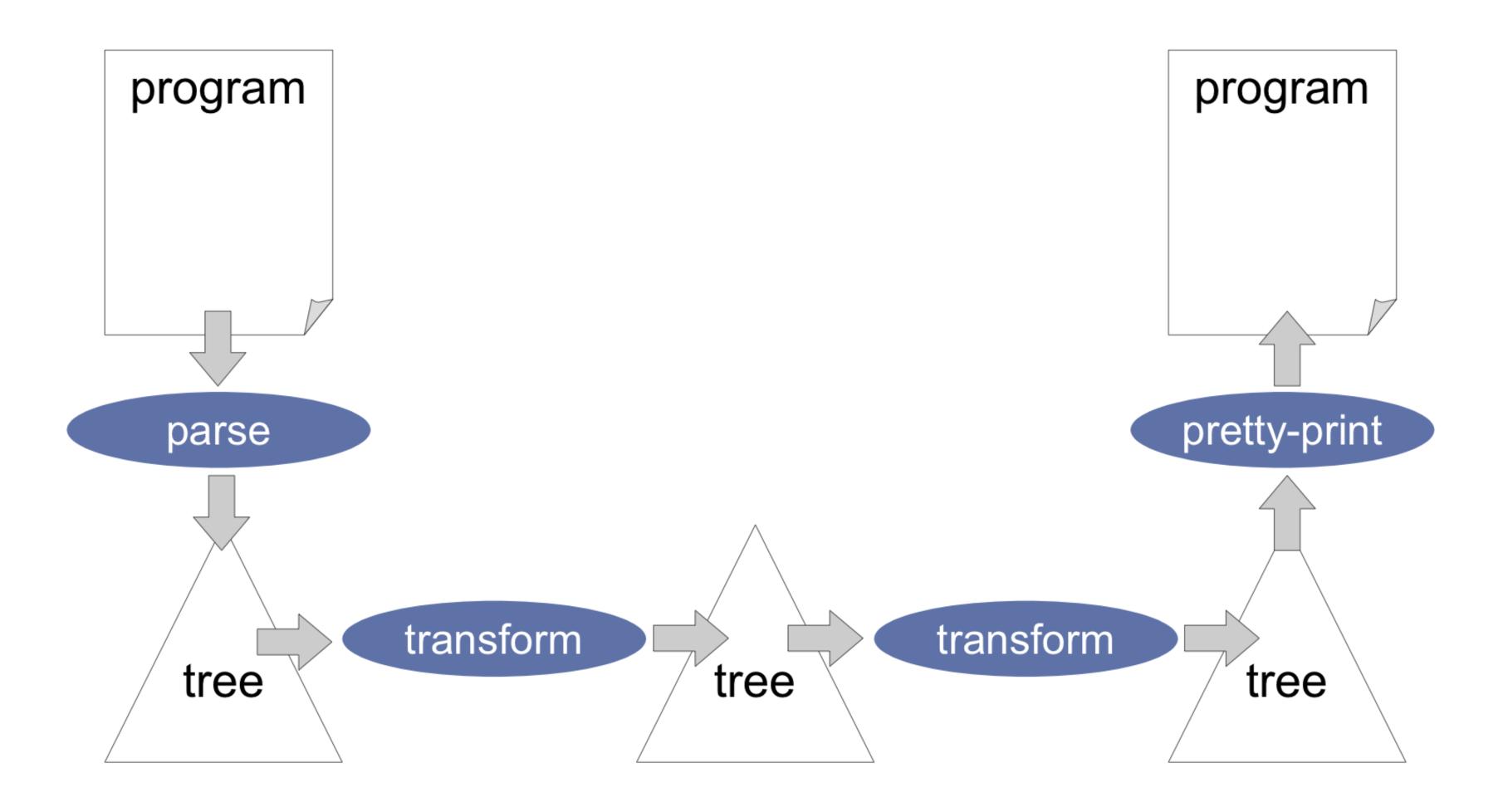
Plus(Int("4"), Call("f", [Mul(Int("5"), Var("x"))]))

ATerm Format

- Exchange of structured data
- Efficiency through maximal sharing
- Binary encoding

Structured Data: comparable to XML Stratego: internal is external representation

How to Realize Program Transformations?



Term Rewriting

Conventional Term Rewriting

- Rewrite system = set of rewrite rules
- Redex = reducible expression
- Normalization = exhaustive application of rules to term
- (Stop when no more redices found)
- Strategy = algorithm used to search for redices
- Strategy given by engine

Strategic Term Rewriting

- Select rules to use in a specific transformation
- Select strategy to apply
- Define your own strategy if necessary
- Combine strategies

A transformation strategy

- transforms the current term into a new term or fails
- may bind term variables
- may have side-effects (I/O, call other process)
- is composed from a few basic operations and combinators

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<transformed term>
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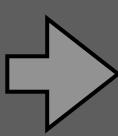
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```
<current term>
stratego> <strategy expression>
<transformed term>
stratego> <strategy expression>
command failed
```

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Parsing: From Text to Terms

```
let function fact(n : int) : int =
    if n < 1 then 1 else (n * fact(n - 1))
in fact(10)
end</pre>
```



```
Let(
  [ FunDec(
      "fact"
    , [FArg("n", Tp(Tid("int")))]
    , Tp(Tid("int"))
   , If(
        Lt(Var("n"), Int("1"))
      , Int("1")
      , Seq(
          [ Times(
              Var("n")
            , Call(
                Var("fact")
                [Minus(Var("n"), Int("1"))]
  [Call(Var("fact"), [Int("10")])]
```

Syntax of Terms

```
module Terms
sorts Cons Term
lexical syntax
   Cons = [a-zA-Z][a-zA-Z0-9]*
context-free syntax
   Term.App = <<Cons>(<{Term ","}*>)>
```

```
Zero()
Succ(Zero())
Cons(A(), Cons(B(), Nil()))
```

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Cons = [a-zA-Z][a-zA-Z0-9]*

context-free syntax

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   Term.List = <[<{Term ","}*>]>
   Term.Tuple = <(<{Term ","}*>)>
```

```
Zero()
Succ(Zero())
[A(), B()]
```

Syntax of Terms

```
module ATerms
sorts Cons Term
lexical syntax
   Cons = [a-zA-Z][a-zA-Z0-9]*
  Cons = String Int = [0-9]+
   String = "\"" StringChar* "\""
   StringChar = ~[\"\\n]
   StringChar = "\\" [\"\\]
context-free syntax
   Term.Str = <<String>>
   Term.Int = <<Int>>>
   Term.App = <<Cons>(<{Term ","}*>)>
   Term.List = <[<{Term ","}*>]>
   Term.Tuple = <(<{Term ","}*>)>
```

```
1
[A(), B()]
Var("x\\")
Let(
   [ Decl("x", IntT()),
      Decl("y", BoolT())
   ]
   , Eq(Var("x"), Int(0))
)
```

Syntax of A(nnotated) Terms

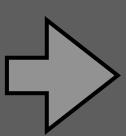
```
module ATerms
sorts Cons Term
lexical syntax
   Cons = [a-zA-Z][a-zA-Z0-9]*
   // more lexical syntax omitted
context-free syntax
             = <<PreTerm>{<{Term ","}*>}>
   Term.Anno
                = <<PreTerm>>
   Term
   PreTerm.Str = <<String>>
   PreTerm.Int = <<Int>>>
   PreTerm.App = <<Cons>(<{Term ","}*>)>
   PreTerm.List = <[<{Term ","}*>]>
   PreTerm.Tuple = <(<{Term ","}*>)>
```

Var("x"){Type(IntT())}

Signatures

Signatures

```
context-free syntax
  Exp.Uminus = [- [Exp]]
              = [[Exp] ** [Exp]]
  Exp.Power
              = [[Exp] *
  Exp.Times
                          [Exp]]
  Exp.Divide = [[Exp] / [Exp]]
              = [[Exp] + [Exp]]
  Exp.Plus
                          [Exp]]
  Exp.Minus
              = [[Exp] -
  Exp.CPlus
              = [[Exp] + i [Exp]]
  Exp. CMinus
              = [[Exp] -i [Exp]]
              = [[Exp] =
                         [Exp]]
  Exp.Eq
              Exp.Neq
              = [[Exp] >
                          [Exp]]
  Exp.Gt
              = [[Exp] < [Exp]]
  Exp.Lt
              = [[Exp] \geqslant [Exp]]
  Exp.Geq
              = [[Exp] \leq [Exp]]
  Exp.Leq
              = <true>
  Exp.True
              = <false>
  Exp.False
              = [[Exp] & [Exp]]
  Exp.And
              = [[Exp] | [Exp]]
  Exp.Or
```



Signature is automatically generated from SDF3 productions

Signature declares argument and return types of term constructors

```
signature
   constructors
     Uminus
                     : Exp \rightarrow Exp
                     : Exp \star Exp \rightarrow Exp
     Power
     Times
                     : Exp * Exp \rightarrow Exp
     Divide
                     : Exp \star Exp \rightarrow Exp
      Plus
                     : Exp \star Exp \rightarrow Exp
     Minus
                     : Exp * Exp \rightarrow Exp
     CPlus
                     : Exp * Exp \rightarrow Exp
     CMinus
                     : Exp \star Exp \rightarrow Exp
                     : Exp \star Exp \rightarrow Exp
     Eq
                     : Exp * Exp \rightarrow Exp
      Neq
      Gt
                     : Exp \star Exp \rightarrow Exp
     Lt
                     : Exp * Exp \rightarrow Exp
      Geq
                     : Exp \star Exp \rightarrow Exp
                     : Exp \star Exp \rightarrow Exp
     Leq
     True
                     : Exp
     False
                     : Exp
                     : Exp \star Exp \rightarrow Exp
      And
                     : Exp \star Exp \rightarrow Exp
      0r
```

Stratego compiler only checks *arity* of constructor applications

Rewrite Rules

Desugaring

```
if x then
if x then
                                     printint(x)
    printint(x)
                                  else
                                  IfThenElse(
IfThen(
                                    Var("x")
  Var("x")
                           e1
                                  , |Call(
  Call(
    "printint"
                                      "printint"
                           e2
     [Var("x")]
                                       [Var("x")]
                                    NoVal()
             pattern matching
                                               pattern instantiation
desugar: IfThen(e1, e2) \rightarrow IfThenElse(e1, e2, NoVal())
```

Lists of Elselfs

```
signature
constructors
   If : Exp * Exp * List(ElseIf) → Exp

ElseIf : Exp * Exp → ElseIf

IfThen : Exp * Exp * Exp → Exp
```

```
If(c, e1, [
    ElseIf(c2, e2),
    ElseIf(c3, e3),
...
])
```

```
Desugar : If(c, e, []) \rightarrow IfThen(c, e, NoVal())

Desugar : If(c, e, [ElseIf(c2, e2) | es]) \rightarrow IfThen(c, e, If(c2, e2, es)
```

More Desugaring

```
signature
 constructors
   PLUS: BinOp
   MINUS: BinOp
   MUL: BinOp
   DIV: BinOp
        RelOp
   EQ:
   NE:
        RelOp
   LE:
        RelOp
   LT:
        RelOp
   Bop: BinOp * Expr * Expr → Expr
   Rop: RelOp * Expr * Expr → Expr
```

```
\rightarrow Bop(MINUS(), Int("0"), e)
desugar: Uminus(e)
desugar: Plus(e1, e2) \rightarrow Bop(PLUS(), e1, e2)
desugar: Minus(e1, e2) \rightarrow Bop(MINUS(), e1, e2)
desugar: Times(e1, e2) \rightarrow Bop(MUL(), e1, e2)
desugar: Divide(e1, e2) \rightarrow Bop(DIV(), e1, e2)
desugar: Eq(e1, e2) \rightarrow Rop(EQ(), e1, e2)
desugar: Neq(e1, e2) \rightarrow Rop(NE(), e1, e2)
desugar: Leq(e1, e2) \rightarrow Rop(LE(), e1, e2)
desugar: Lt(e1, e2) \rightarrow Rop(LT(), e1, e2)
desugar: Geq(e1, e2) \rightarrow Rop(LE(), e2, e1)
desugar: Gt(e1, e2) \rightarrow Rop(LT(), e2, e1)
desugar: And(e1, e2) \rightarrow IfThenElse(e1, e2, Int("0"))
desugar: Or(e1, e2) \rightarrow IfThenElse(e1, Int("1"), e2)
```

Constant Folding

```
x := 21 + 21 + x x := 42 + x
```

```
Assign(
  Var("x")
  Plus(
    Plus(
      Int("21")
      Int("21")
    Var("x")
```

```
Assign(
  Var("x")
  Plus(
    Int("42")
    Var("x")
```

```
eval: Plus(Int(i1), Int(i2)) \rightarrow Int(i3) where <addS> (i1, i2) \Rightarrow i3
```

More Constant Folding

```
eval: Bop(PLUS(), Int(i1), Int(i2)) \rightarrow Int(<addS> (i1, i2))
eval: Bop(MINUS(), Int(i1), Int(i2)) \rightarrow Int(<subtS> (i1, i2))
eval: Bop(MUL(), Int(i1), Int(i2)) \rightarrow Int(<muls> (i1, i2))
eval: Bop(DIV(), Int(i1), Int(i2)) \rightarrow Int(<divS> (i1, i2))
eval: Rop(EQ(), Int(i), Int(i)) \rightarrow Int("1")
eval: Rop(EQ(), Int(i1), Int(i2)) \rightarrow Int("0") where not( <eq> (i1, i2) )
eval: Rop(NE(), Int(i), Int(i)) \rightarrow Int("0")
eval: Rop(NE(), Int(i1), Int(i2)) \rightarrow Int("1") where not( <eq> (i1, i2) )
eval: Rop(LT(), Int(i1), Int(i2)) \rightarrow Int("1") where <ltS> (i1, i2)
eval: Rop(LT(), Int(i1), Int(i2)) \rightarrow Int("0") where not( <ltS> (i1, i2) )
eval: Rop(LE(), Int(i1), Int(i2)) \rightarrow Int("1") where <leqS> (i1, i2)
eval: Rop(LE(), Int(i1), Int(i2)) \rightarrow Int("0") where not( <leqS> (i1, i2))
```

Application: Spoofax Builders

Spoofax Builders

```
rules

build :
    (node, _, ast, path, project-path) → result
    with
    <some-transformation> ast ⇒ result
```

Tiger: AST Builder

```
module Syntax
menus

menu: "Syntax" (openeditor)

action: "Format" = editor-format (source)
action: "Show parsed AST" = debug-show-aterm (source)
```

editor/syntax.esv

trans/tiger.str

```
rules // Debugging

debug-show-aterm:
   (node, _, _, path, project-path) → (filename, result)
   with
    filename := <guarantee-extension(|"aterm")> path
   ; result := node
```

Builder gets AST as parameter

Application: Formatting

Tiger: Formatting Builder

```
module Syntax
menus

menu: "Syntax" (openeditor)

action: "Format" = editor-format (source)
action: "Show parsed AST" = debug-show-aterm (source)
```

editor/syntax.esv

trans/pp.str

```
rules

editor-format:
   (node, _, ast, path, project-path) → (filename, result)
   with
    ext := <get-extension> path
   ; filename := <guarantee-extension(|$[pp.[ext]])> path
   ; result := <pp-debug> node
```

trans/pp.str

```
prules

pp-Tiger-string =
    parenthesize-Tiger
    ; prettyprint-Tiger-start-symbols
    ; !V([], <id>)
    ; box2text-string(|120)

pp-debug :
    ast → result
    with
        result := <pp-Tiger-string> ast
    <+ ...
    ; result := ""</pre>
```

Tiger: Parenthesize

```
module pp/Tiger-parenthesize

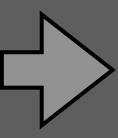
imports
  libstratego-lib
  signatures/-

strategies

parenthesize-Tiger =
  innermost(TigerParenthesize)
```

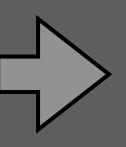
```
context-free priorities

Exp.And
> Exp.Or
> Exp.Array
> Exp.Assign
> ...
```



```
rules
  TigerParenthesize:
    Or(t_0, t_1) \rightarrow Or(t_0, Parenthetical(t_1))
    where <(?For(_, _, _, _)
            + ?While(_, _)
            + ?IfThen(_, _)
            + ?If(_, _, _)
            + ?Assign(_, _)
            + ?Array(_, _, _)
            + ?Or(_, _)
            + fail)> t_1
  TigerParenthesize:
    And(t_0, t_1) \rightarrow And(Parenthetical(t_0), t_1)
    where <(?For(_, _, _, _)
            + ?While(_, _)
            + ?IfThen(_, _)
            + ?If(_, _, _)
            + ?Assign(_, _)
            + ?Array(_, _, _)
            + ?Or(_, _)
            + fail)> t_0
```

Tiger: Pretty-Print Rules



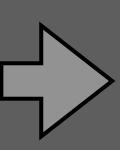
syntax/Control-Flow.sdf3

```
rules
  prettyprint-Tiger-Exp :
    If(t1__, t2__, t3__) \rightarrow [ H(
                                   [SOpt(HS(), "0")]
                                , [ S("if ")
                                   , t1__'
                                    S(" then")
                              , t2__'
                                   [SOpt(HS(), "0")]
                                 , [S("else")]
                               , t3__'
    with t1__' := <pp-one-Z(prettyprint-Tiger-Exp)</pre>
                   <+ pp-one-Z(prettyprint-completion-aux)> t1___
    with t2__' := <pp-indent(|"2")> [
      <pp-one-Z(prettyprint-Tiger-Exp)</pre>
      <+ pp-one-Z(prettyprint-completion-aux)> t2___ ]
    with t3__' := <pp-indent(|"2")> [
      <pp-one-Z(prettyprint-Tiger-Exp)</pre>
      <+ pp-one-Z(prettyprint-completion-aux)> t3___ ]
```

Application: Desugaring

Tiger: Desugaring

```
function printboard() = (
  for i := 0 to N-1 do (
    for j := 0 to N-1 do
        print(if col[i]=j then " 0" else " .");
    print("\n")
    );
    print("\n")
)
```



```
function printboard() = (
 let
    var i : int := 0
    while i < N - 1 do ( (
      let
        var j : int := 0
      in
        while j < N - 1 do (
          print(if col[i] = j then
                  " 0"
                else
          j := j + 1
      end;
      print("\n")
    i := i + 1
   end;
   print("\n")
```

Expressing for in terms of while++

Tiger: Desugaring Builder

```
module Transformation
menus

menu: "Transform" (openeditor) (realtime)

action: "Desugar" = editor-desugar (source)
action: "Desugar AST" = editor-desugar-ast (source)
```

editor/Transformation.esv

```
rules // Desugaring

editor-desugar :
    (node, _, _, path, project-path) → (filename, result)
    with
        filename := <guarantee-extension(|"des.tig")> path
        ; result := <desugar-all; pp-Tiger-string>node

editor-desugar-ast :
    (node, _, _, path, project-path) → (filename, result)
    with
        filename := <guarantee-extension(|"aterm")> path
        ; result := <desugar-all>node
```

Tiger: Desugaring Transformation

```
module desugar
imports signatures/Tiger-sig
imports ...
strategies
 desugar-all = topdown(try(desugar))
rules
  desugar:
    For(
      Var(i)
    , e1
    , e2
    , e_body
    ) ->
    Let(
      [VarDec(i, Tid("int"), e1)]
    , [ While(
          Lt(Var(i), e2)
        , Seq(
            [ e_body
            , Assign(Var(i), Plus(Var(i), Int("1")))
```

Application: Outline View

Tiger: Outline View

```
_ _
                                                                    E Outline ≅
🔷 queens.tig 🖾
                                                                     Ψlet
 1 /* A program to solve the 8-queens problem */
                                                                        var N
 2
                                                                        type intArray
 3 let
                                                                        var row
       var N := 8
                                                                        var col
                                                                        var diag1
                                                                        var diag2
       type intArray = array of int

▼fun printboard

                                                                         ▼for i
       var row := intArray [ N ] of 0
                                                                           ▼for j
       var col := intArray [ N ] of 0
                                                                             ▼print()
       var diag1 := intArray [N+N-1] of 0
       var diag2 := intArray [N+N-1] of 0
                                                                            print()
                                                                          print()
       function printboard() = (
13
                                                                       for i := 0 to N-1 do (
14
                                                                        ⊩if
           for j := 0 to N-1 do
15
                                                                        try()
             print(if col[i]=j then " 0" else " .");
16
           print("\n")
18
19
         print("\n")
20
21
22
       function try(c:int) = (
23
         if c=N then
           printboard()
25
         else
           for r := 0 to N-1 do
26
            if row[r]=0 & diag1[r+c]=0 & diag2[r+7-c]=0 then (
               row[r]:=1; diag1[r+c]:=1; diag2[r+7-c]:=1;
               col[c]:=r;
               try(c+1);
               row[r]:=0; diag1[r+c]:=0; diag2[r+7-c]:=0
33
34 in try(0)
35 end
```

Tiger: Outline View Builder

```
module Syntax
views

outline view: editor-outline (source)
    expand to level: 3
```

editor/syntax.esv

trans/outline.str

```
module outline
imports
  signatures/Tiger-sig
  signatures/Types-sig
  signatures/Records-sig
  signatures/Variables-sig
  signatures/Functions-sig
  signatures/Bindings-sig
  libspoofax/editor/outline
  pp
rules
  editor-outline:
    (\_, \_, ast, path, project-path) \rightarrow outline
    where
      outline := <simple-label-outline(to-outline-label)> ast
```

Tiger: Outline View Rules

```
rules
  to-outline-label:
   Let(_, _) -> $[let]
  to-outline-label:
    TypeDec(name, _) -> $[type [name]]
  to-outline-label:
    FunDec(name, _, t, _) -> $[fun [name] : [<pp-tiger-type> t]]
  to-outline-label:
    ProcDec(name, _, _) -> $[fun [name]]
  to-outline-label:
    VarDecNoType(name, _) -> $[var [name]]
  to-outline-label:
    VarDec(name, _, _) -> $[var [name]]
```

trans/outline.str

```
rules

to-outline-label :
    Call(f, _) -> $[[f]()]

to-outline-label :
    If(_, _, _) -> $[if]

to-outline-label :
    For(Var(name), _, _, _) -> $[for [name]]

// etc.
```

Outline View: Generic Strategy

```
module libspoofax/editor/outline
imports ...
signature
  constructors
    Node : Label * Children → Node
rules
  simple-label-outline(s1) =
    collect-om(to-outline-node(s1, fail), conc)
  custom-label-outline(s1, s2) =
    collect-om(origin-track-forced(s2) <+ to-outline-node(s1, s2), conc)</pre>
  to-outline-node(s1, s2):
    term → Node(label, children)
    where
      random := <next-random>;
      label := <origin-track-forced(s1; term-to-outline-label)> term;
      children := <get-arguments; custom-label-outline(s1, s2)> term
  term-to-outline-label =
    is-string
    <+ ?term{a}; origin-text; ?label; !label{a}</pre>
    <+ write-to-string // fallback</pre>
```

Term structure for outline nodes

Language-independent strategy for collecting outline nodes

Application: Completion

Tiger: Completion Rules

```
context-free syntax

Exp.If = <
   if <Exp> then
      <Exp>
   else
      <Exp>
      <Exp>
```

syntax/Control-Flow.sdf3



completion/Control-Flow-cp.str

Combining Rewrite Rules with Strategies

Naming and Composing Strategies

Reuse of transformation requires definitions

- 1. Naming strategy expressions
- 2. Named rewrite rules
- 3. Reusing rewrite rules through modules

Simple strategy definition and call

- Syntax: f = s
- Name strategy expression s
- Syntax: f
- Invoke (call) named strategy f

```
Plus(Var("a"),Int("3"))
stratego> SwapArgs = {e1,e2:(Plus(e1,e2) -> Plus(e2,e1))}
stratego> SwapArgs
Plus(Int("3"),Var("a"))
```

Named Rewrite Rules

Named rewrite rules (sugar)

- Syntax: $f : p1 \rightarrow p_2$ where s
- Name rewrite rule $p1 \rightarrow p_2$ where s
- Equivalent to: $f = \{x_1, \ldots, x_n : (p_1 \rightarrow p_2 \text{ where } s)\}$ (with x_1, \ldots, x_n the variables in p_1 , p_2 , and s)

```
Plus(Var("a"),Int("3"))
stratego> SwapArgs : Plus(e1,e2) -> Plus(e2,e1)
stratego> SwapArgs
Plus(Int("3"),Var("a"))
```

Example: Inverting If Not Equal

```
if(x != y)
  doSomething();
else
  doSomethingElse();

doSomething();
```

```
InvertIfNot :
   If(NotEq(e1, e2), stm1, stm2) ->
   If(Eq(e1, e2), stm2, stm1)
```

Modules with Reusable Transformation Rules

```
module Simplification-Rules
rules
  PlusAssoc :
   Plus(Plus(e1, e2), e3) -> Plus(e1, Plus(e2, e3))
  EvalIf:
    If(Lit(Bool(True())), stm1, stm2) -> stm1
  EvalIf:
    If(Lit(Bool(False())), stm1, stm2) -> stm2
  IntroduceBraces:
    If(e, stm) -> If(e, Block([stm]))
    where <not(?Block(_))> stm
```

stratego> import Simplification-Rules

Rules define one-step transformations

Program transformations require many one-step transformations and selection of rules

- 1. Choice
- 2. Identity, Failure, and Negation
- 3. Parameterized and Recursive Definitions

Deterministic choice (left choice)

- Syntax: $s_1 \leftrightarrow s_2$
- First apply s_1 , if that fails apply s_2
- Note: local backtracking

```
\begin{aligned} & \text{PlusAssoc}: \\ & \text{Plus(Plus}(e1,\ e2),\ e3) \ -> \ \text{Plus}(e1,\ \text{Plus}(e2,\ e3)) \\ & \text{EvalPlus}: \\ & \text{Plus(Int}(i), \text{Int}(j)) \ -> \ \text{Int}(k) \ \text{where} \ & < \text{addS} > (i,j) \ => \ k \end{aligned}
```

```
Plus(Int("14"),Int("3"))
stratego> PlusAssoc
command failed
stratego> PlusAssoc <+ EvalPlus
Int("17")</pre>
```

Guarded choice

- Syntax: $s_1 < s_2 + s_3$
- First apply s_1 if that succeeds apply s_2 to the result else apply s_3 to the original term
- Do not backtrack to s_3 if s_2 fails!

Motivation

- s_1 <+ s_2 always backtracks to s_2 if s_1 fails
- $(s_1; s_2) \leftarrow s_3 \neq s_1 \leftarrow s_2 + s_3$
- commit to branch if test succeeds, even if that branch fails

```
test1 < transf1
```

- + test2 < transf2
- + transf3

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```
test1 < transf1
+ test2 < transf2
+ transf3</pre>
```

If then else (sugar)

- Syntax: if s_1 then s_2 else s_3 end
- Equivalent to: where $(s_1) < s_2 + s_3$

Identity

- Syntax: id
- Always succeed
- Some laws
 - id; $s \equiv s$
 - s; id $\equiv s$
 - id <+ $s \equiv$ id
 - $s \leftarrow id \neq s$
 - $s_1 < id + s_2 \equiv s_1 < + s_2$

Failure

- Syntax: fail
- Always fail
- Some laws
 - fail \leftarrow $s \equiv s$
 - $s \leftarrow fail \equiv s$
 - ullet fail; $s\equiv$ fail
 - s; fail \neq fail

Identity

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- Some laws
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 - s; id $\equiv s$
 - id <+ $s \equiv$ id
 - $s \leftarrow id \not\equiv s$
 - $s_1 < id + s_2 \equiv s_1 < + s_2$

Negation (sugar)

- Syntax: not(s)
- Fail if s succeeds, succeed if s fails
- Equivalent to: s < fail + id

Failure

- Syntax: fail
- Always fail
- Some laws
 - fail \leftarrow $s \equiv s$
 - $s \leftarrow fail \equiv s$
 - fail; $s \equiv$ fail
 - s; fail $\not\equiv$ fail

Parameterizing Strategies

Parameterized and recursive definitions

- Syntax: $f(x_1, ..., x_n | y_1, ..., y_m) = s$
- Strategy definition parameterized with strategies $(x_1,...,x_n)$ and terms $(y_1,...,y_m)$
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```
try(s) = s <+ id

repeat(s) = try(s; repeat(s))

while(c, s) = if c then s; while(c,s) end

do-while(s, c) = s; if c then do-while(s, c) end</pre>
```

Traversal Strategies

Term Rewriting for Program Transformation

Term Rewriting

apply set of rewrite rules exhaustively

Advantages

- First-order terms describe abstract syntax
- Rewrite rules express basic transformation rules (operationalizations of the algebraic laws of the language.)
- Rules specified separately from strategy

Limitations

- Rewrite systems for programming languages often non-terminating and/or non-confluent
- In general: do not apply all rules at the same time or apply all rules under all circumstances

Term Rewriting for Program Transformation

```
signature
  sorts Prop
  constructors
    False : Prop
    True : Prop
           : String -> Prop
    Atom
           : Prop -> Prop
    Not
           : Prop * Prop -> Prop
    And
           : Prop * Prop -> Prop
    0r
rules
        : And(Or(x, y), z) \rightarrow Or(And(x, z), And(y, z))
  DAOL
        : And(z, Or(x, y)) \rightarrow Or(And(z, x), And(z, y))
  DAOR
        : Or(And(x, y), z) \rightarrow And(Or(x, z), Or(y, z))
  DOAL
        : Or(z, And(x, y)) \rightarrow And(Or(z, x), Or(z, y))
  DOAR
        : Not(Not(x))
  DN
         : Not(And(x, y)) \rightarrow Or(Not(x), Not(y))
  DMA
        : Not(Or(x, y))
                             -> And(Not(x), Not(y))
  DMO
```

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  DAOR
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  DOAL
        : Or(z, And(x, y)) \rightarrow And(Or(z, x), Or(z, y))
  DOAR
        : Not(Not(x))
  DN
         : Not(And(x, y)) \rightarrow Or(Not(x), Not(y))
        : Not(Or(x, y)) -> And(Not(x), Not(y))
  DMO
```

This is a non-terminating rewrite system

Encoding Control with Recursive Rewrite Rules

Common solution

- Introduce additional constructors that achieve normalization under a restricted set of rules
- Replace a 'pure' rewrite rule

$$p_1 \rightarrow p_2$$

with a functionalized rewrite rule:

$$f: p_1 -> p'_2$$

applying f recursively in the right-hand side

- Normalize terms f(t) with respect to these rules
- The function now controls where rules are applied

Recursive Rewrite Rules: Disjunctive Normal Form

```
-> True
dnf
     : True
                    -> False
     : False
dnf
dnf : Atom(x)
                    \rightarrow Atom(x)
                    -> <not>(<dnf>x)
dnf : Not(x)
                    -> <and>(<dnf>x,<dnf>y)
dnf : And(x,y)
     : Or(x,y)
                    -> Or(<dnf>x,<dnf>y)
dnf
and1: (Or(x,y),z) \rightarrow Or(\langle and \rangle(x,z), \langle and \rangle(y,z))
and2: (z,Or(x,y)) \rightarrow Or(\langle and \rangle(z,x),\langle and \rangle(z,y))
and3: (x,y) -> And(x,y)
and = and1 <+ and2 <+ and3
not1 : Not(x) -> x
                   -> Or(<not>(x),<not>(y))
not2 : And(x,y)
not3 : Or(x,y)
                    -> <and>(<not>(x),<not>(y))
                    \rightarrow Not(x)
not4 : x
not = not1 <+ not2 <+ not3 <+ not4
```

Analysis

Functional encoding has two main problems

Overhead due to explicit specification of traversal

• A traversal rule needs to be defined for each constructor in the signature and for each transformation.

Separation of rules and strategy is lost

- Rules and strategy are completely intertwined
- Intertwining makes it more difficult to understand the transformation
- Intertwining makes it impossible to reuse the rules in a different transformation.

Analysis

Language Complexity

Traversal overhead and reuse of rules is important, considering the complexity of real programming languages:

language	# constructors
Tiger	65
C	140
Java 5	325
COBOL	300-1200

Requirements

- Control over application of rules
- No traversal overhead
- Separation of rules and strategies

Programmable Rewriting Strategies

Programmable Rewriting Strategies

- Select rules to be applied in specific transformation
- Select strategy to control their application
- Define your own strategy if necessary
- Combine strategie

Idioms

- Cascading transformations
- One-pass traversal
- Staged transformation
- Local transformation

Strategic Idioms

Rules for rewriting proposition formulae

```
signature
  sorts Prop
  constructors
    False : Prop
    True : Prop
    Atom : String -> Prop
           : Prop -> Prop
    Not
           : Prop * Prop -> Prop
    And
           : Prop * Prop -> Prop
    0r
rules
        : And(Or(x, y), z) \rightarrow Or(And(x, z), And(y, z))
  DAOL
        : And(z, Or(x, y)) \rightarrow Or(And(z, x), And(z, y))
  DAOR
        : Or(And(x, y), z) \rightarrow And(Or(x, z), Or(y, z))
  DOAL
        : Or(z, And(x, y)) \rightarrow And(Or(z, x), Or(z, y))
  DOAR
         : Not(Not(x))
  DN
         : Not(And(x, y))
                             \rightarrow Or(Not(x), Not(y))
  DMA
         : Not(Or(x, y))
                             -> And(Not(x), Not(y))
  DMO
```

Strategic Idioms: Cascading Transformation

Cascading Transformations

- Apply small, independent transformations in combination
- Accumulative effect of small rewrites

```
simplify = innermost(R1 <+ ... <+ Rn)
```

disjunctive normal form

```
dnf = innermost(DAOL <+ DAOR <+ DN <+ DMA <+ DMO)</pre>
```

conjunctive normal form

```
cnf = innermost(DOAL <+ DOAR <+ DN <+ DMA <+ DMO)</pre>
```

Strategic Idioms: One-Pass Traversal

One-pass Traversal

Apply rules in a single traversal over a program tree

```
simplify1 = downup(repeat(R1 <+ ... <+ Rn))
simplify2 = bottomup(repeat(R1 <+ ... <+ Rn))</pre>
```

constant folding

```
Eval : And(True, e) -> e
Eval : And(False, e) -> False
Eval : ...
eval = bottomup(try(Eval))
```

Strategic Idioms: One-Pass Traversal

Example: Desugarings

```
DefN : Not(x) -> Impl(x, False)
DefI : Impl(x, y) \rightarrow Or(Not(x), y)
DefE : Eq(x, y) \rightarrow And(Impl(x, y), Impl(y, x))
DefO1: Or(x, y) \rightarrow Impl(Not(x), y)
DefO2: Or(x, y) \rightarrow Not(And(Not(x), Not(y)))
DefA1 : And(x, y) \rightarrow Not(Or(Not(x), Not(y)))
DefA2 : And(x, y) \rightarrow Not(Impl(x, Not(y)))
IDefI : Or(Not(x), y) \rightarrow Impl(x, y)
IDefE: And(Impl(x, y), Impl(y, x)) \rightarrow Eq(x, y)
desugar = topdown(try(DefI <+ DefE))</pre>
          = topdown(repeat(DefN <+ DefA2 <+ DefO1 <+ DefE))
impl-nf
```

Strategic Idioms: Staged Transformation

Staged Transformation

- Transformations are not applied to a subject term all at once, but rather in stages
- In each stage, only rules from some particular subset of the entire set of available rules are applied.

```
simplify =
  innermost(A1 <+ ... <+ Ak)
  ; innermost(B1 <+ ... <+ Bl)
  ; ...
  ; innermost(C1 <+ ... <+ Cm)</pre>
```

Strategic Idioms: Local Transformation

Local transformation

Apply rules only to selected parts of the subject program

```
transformation =
  alltd(
    trigger-transformation
  ; innermost(A1 <+ ... <+ An)
)</pre>
```

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