



How to Use FeatureIDE

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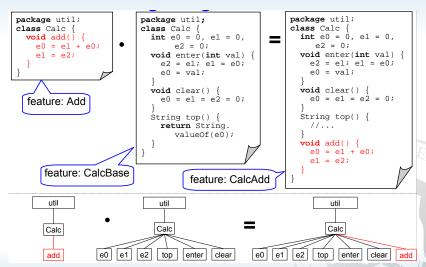
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Feature-Oriented Programming (FOP)

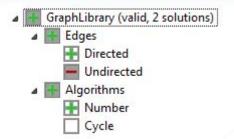
- ► Introduced 1997 by Christian Prehofer
- ► Based on Object-Oriented Programming
- ▶ Features realize functionalities
- ► Features are cross-cutting to objects
- ► Features modularize fragments from certain classes
- Fragment contains some methods/fields of a class belonging to one functionality
- ► Goals: code traceability, software customization

FOP Example



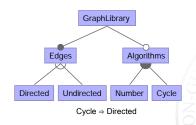
http://wwwiti.cs.uni-magdeburg.de/iti_db/lehre/epmd/2009/slides/06_FOP.pdf

Configuration



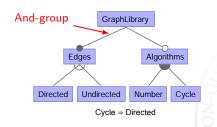
- Selection of features
- ► Composition of features results in a program variant
- Not all combinations are useful

- Specifies valid combinations of features
- ► Graphically represented by a feature diagram
- ► Created for a particular domain
- ► Describes a software product line (SPL)



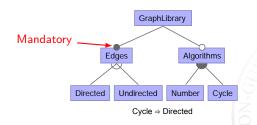


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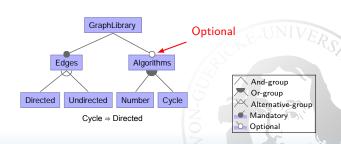


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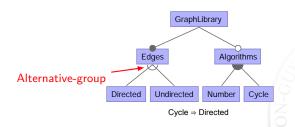




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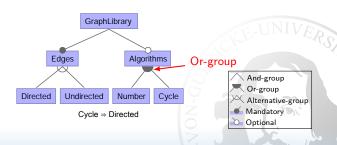


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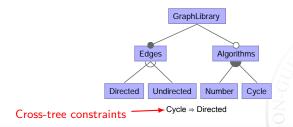




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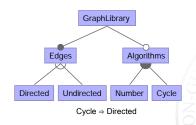


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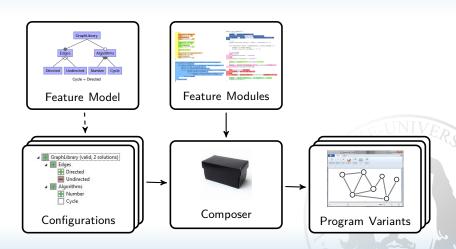


Composition Engines

Command-line tools used to compose files within FeatureIDE:

- ► AHEAD (jampack): .jak (Java 1.4) http://userweb.cs.utexas.edu/~schwartz/ATS.html
- ► FeatureC++: .cpp (C++) http://www.fosd.de/fcpp
- ► FeatureHouse: .java (Java 1.5), .cs (C#), .c/.h (C), .hs (Haskell), .jj (JavaCC), .als (Alloy), .xmi (UML)
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Feature-Oriented Software Development

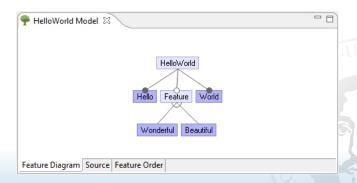


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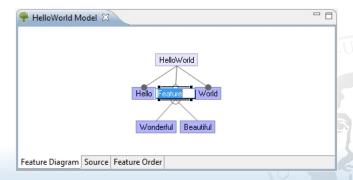
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- What functionality does FeatureIDE provide?
 - ► Feature Model Editor + Edit View
 - ► Configuration Editor
 - ► Jak Editor
 - ► Collaboration Diagram
 - ► Feature Project Builder
 - ► Run Configurations
 - ► Creation Wizards
- ► How to start working with FeatureIDE?



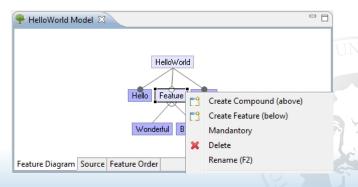
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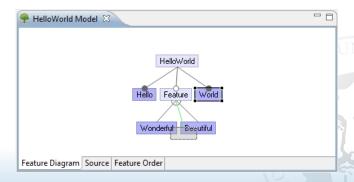
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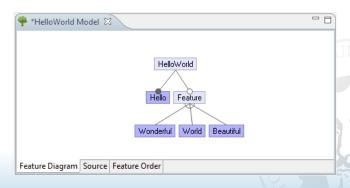
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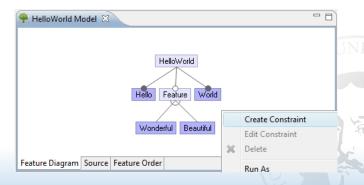
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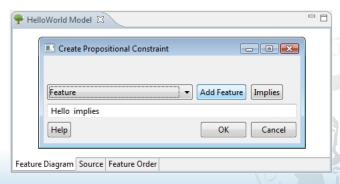
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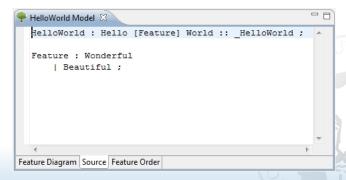


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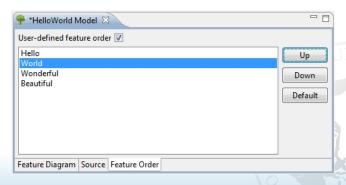
Feature Model Editor - Grammar

- ► Source tab contains the GUIDSL grammar representation
- ▶ [] optional feature
- ► | Or-group -or- Alternative-group depending on parent
- ▶ + mandatory feature and Or-group below
- * optional feature and Or-group below



Feature Model Editor - Feature Order

- ► Order of features matters: can influence program behavior
- ► Default order: pre-order traversal of the feature diagram
- ► User-defined order possible
- ► Applies to all configurations



Feature Model Editor - Synchronization

Before saving:

▶ When switching tab, changes are propagated

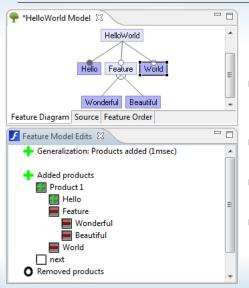
When saving:

- ► Feature folders are created, removed, and renamed
- Updating order of features in configurations
- ► Checking which configurations are valid/invalid
- ► Current content of Configuration Editor updated

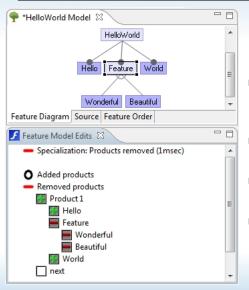




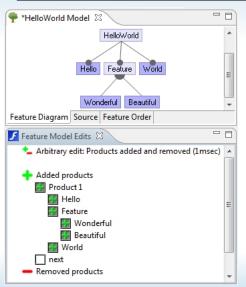
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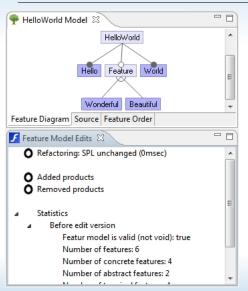
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Configuration Editor

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Collaboration Diagram

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 - ► Cheat sheet



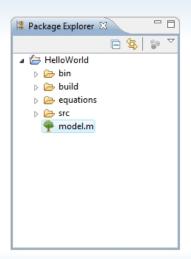
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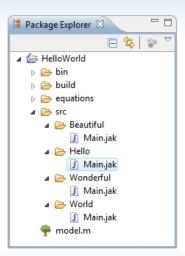
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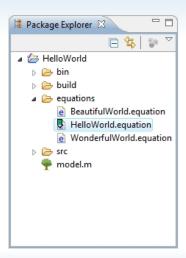




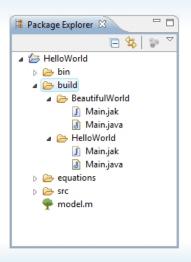
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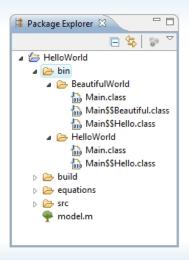
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- ► Binary files for several configurations

Cheat Sheet

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