

Parser-Combinators for Context-Free Path Querying*

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ABSTRACT

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CCS CONCEPTS

- **Computer systems organization** → **Embedded systems**; *Redundancy*; **Robotics**; • **Networks** → Network reliability;

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1 INTRODUCTION

Graph data bases

Path querying and context-free path querying. Same generation query is not a regular.

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Integration with general purpose programming languages. Special DSL vs Combinators (LINQ, etc) [6]

Contribution:

- Combinators for CF path querying with structural representation of result
- Implementation in Scala. Generalization of linear parsing. Integration with Neo4J graph data base. Available on gitHub:<https://github.com/YaccConstructor/Meerkat>
- Evaluation on realistic data, which shows that it is applicable. Comparison with other tools for CF path querying.

2 RELATED WORK

Language-constrained path querying, Yannakakis [12]. Hellings [3, 4], RDF [13], etc [1, 2, 7, 9, 11]

Special graph query languages. SPARQL, cypher

Language integration problem: special DSLs for SQL, ORM, Linq
Parser-combinators

Scala combinators for graph [6]

GLL [10] arbitrary context-free grammars, SPPF [8]

Meerkat¹ [5] – combi

etc

3 PARSER-COMBITATORS FOR PATH QUERING

In this section we present our implementation of and describe some details.

Our implementation is based on Meerkat library. We need only some steps for generalization.

As far as linear input is a one of case of graph, it is possible to provide input abstraction which make possible to generalize combinators.

SPPF may be an arbitrary graph in opposite of linear input parsing.

Let us introduce an example. Graph. Grammar. In terms of combinators.

Interface for Neo4J bata base

Extensible solution

An architecture of the solution.

¹<https://github.com/meerkat-parser/Meerkat>

4 EVALUATION

Some experiments on real data and comparison with existing solutions

- Classical RDFs
- Integration with Neo4J
- Static code analysis
- Comparison with GLL
- Comparison with [6]

5 CONCLUSION

We propose a native way to integrate language for language-constrained path querying into general purpose programming language. We implement it and show that our implementation can be applied for real problems.

Code is available on GitHub:

Future work is

SPPF processing for debugging and results processing

Attributed grammars processing to provide mechanism for semantics calculation

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