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Research Topic Recap

Motivation – See handout for examples

Too much duplication!



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Research Topic Recap

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- Promote reusability



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- (Re-)Certification is expensive



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Research Topic Recap

KBSE & The Drasil Framework

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KBSE & The Drasil Framework

- Single knowledge-base
- Inter-/intra-artifact consistency issues
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KBSE & The Drasil Framework

- Single knowledge-base
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KBSE & The Drasil Framework

- Single knowledge-base
- Guaranteed consistency
- Easy to mix and match
- Reusable across projects
- Generate artifacts



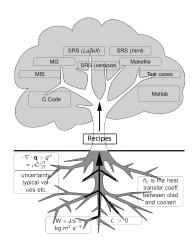
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KBSE & The Drasil Framework

Drasil – Towards generating Software Families





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Drasil - Towards generating Software Families

- One "source", multiple views
- Full traceability
- Consistent-by-construction artifacts*



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KBSE & The Drasil Framework

Drasil composed of many Domain-Specific Languages (DSLs) including, but not limited to:

- Knowledge Capture
- Recipes (Document generation)
- Code Generation



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Current Program Progress A brief overview

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- Completed all necessary graduate courses & comprehensive examinations
- Currently Writing:
 - Journal paper for ACM TOSEM
 - Thesis



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Current Program Progress

A brief overview continued

Research Project: Drasil proof-of-concept "complete"

- Scoped-down due to nature of project
- Generating SRS for six case studies & code for one
- Still improving with the help of summer students



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Since Last Time

Summer 2017: Supervised 5 research students

- Cleaned up case studies
- Helped improve Drasil

Submitted to SE-CoDeSE'17 – Rejected Began a paper for FASE 2018 – Scrapped Met with OPG – Positive feedback Co-supervising 3 research students Writing



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Since Last Time Drasil-Specific

Total of 372 issues closed on the Drasil github

- Haddock
- Chunk and referencing databases
- Improved the Drasil class hierarchy
- Finished creating Document Language (Cont'd)
- Continuous Integration & automated tests
- General source clean-up and refactoring

Currently ∼130 open issues guiding development



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Results Document Language

Introduction of new Document Language led to:

- De-embedding English
- More readable source
- Improved sanity checking



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```
glassBR_srs :: Document
 2 glassBR_srs = Document ((srs ^. defn) +:+ S "for" +:+ (gLassBR ^. defn))
         srs_authors
     [s1.s2.s3.s4.s5.s6.s7.s8.s9.s10.s11]
 3
   s1 = Section(S "Reference Material") [Con s1_intro, Sub s1_1, Sub s1_2,
     Sub s1_31
   s1_intro = Paragraph (S "This section records information for easy reference.")
 9
10 s1_1 = table_of_units this_si
11
   s1_2 = table_of_symbols ((map qs glassBRSymbols) ++
13
     (map gs glassBRUnitless)) (^.term)
14
15 s1_3 = table_of_abb_and_acronyms acronyms
16
17 s2 = Section(S "Introduction") [Con s2_intro, Sub s2_1, Sub s2_2, Sub s2_3]
18
19 s2_intro = Paragraph $
     S "Software is helpful to efficiently and correctly predict the blast" +:+
20
21
     S "risk involved with the" +:+. (sMap (map toLower) (glaSlab ^. term)) +:+
22
     S "The" +:+ (sMap (map toLower) (blast ^. term)) +:+ S "under" +:+
     S "consideration is" +:+. (sMap (map toLower) (blast ^. defn)) +:+
23
     S "The software, herein called" +:+ (qLassBR ^. defn) +:+ S "aims to" +:+
24
25
     S "predict the blast risk involved with the" +:+
26
     (sMap (map toLower) (glaSlab ^, term)) +:+ S "using an intuitive" +:+
     S "interface. The following section provides an overview of the" +:+
27
28
     (srs ^. defn) +:+ sParen (srs ^. term) +:+ S "for" +:+. (gLassBR ^. defn) +:+
29
     S "This section explains the purpose of the" +:+
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glassBR_srs :: Document
   glassBR_srs = mkDoc mkSRS (for '' titleize phrase) glassSystInfo
  mkSRS :: DocDesc
   mkSRS = RefSec (RefProg intro [TUnits. tsymb [TSPurpose. SymbOrder]. TAandA])
    IntroSec (
7
     IntroProg (startIntro software blstRskInvWGlassSlab gLassBR) (short gLassBR)
8
      [[Purpose (purpose_intro_p1 document gLassBR glaSlab).
9
      IScope incScoR endScoR.
10
      IChar (rdrKnldgbleIn glBreakage blastRisk) undIR appStanddIR,
      IOrqSec intendedReaderIntro dataDefn SRS.dataDefn intendedReaderIntro_end]):
11
12
    StkhldrSec (StkhldrProg2 [Client gLassBR (S "a" +:+ phrase company +:+
13
        S "named Entuitive. It is developed by Dr." +:+ (S $ name mCampidelli)),
14
      Cstmr gLassBR1) :
15
    GSDSec (GSDProg2)
16
      [UsrChars [user_chars_bullets endUser qLassBR secondYear undergradDegree
17
       civilEng structuralEng glBreakage blastRisk], SystCons [] []]) :
    ScpOfProjSec (ScpOfProjProg (short gLassBR) (prod_use_case_table)
18
19
              (indiv_prod_use_case (glaSlab) (capacity) (demandg) (probability)))
20
    SSDSec (SSDProg [SSDProblem (
21
      PDProg start gLassBR ending [terms_defs. phys_sys_desc. goals])].
22
      [ SSDSolChSpec (
23
         SCSProa
24
          [ Assumptions
25
          , TMs ([Label] ++ stdFields) [t1IsSafe]
26
          . GDs [] [] HideDerivation — No Gen Defs for GlassBR
27
          . DDs ([Label, Symbol, Units] ++ stdFields) dataDefns ShowDerivation
28
          , IMs ([Label, Input, Output, InConstraints, OutConstraints] ++
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140 "Old" line equiv.; 260 (216 gen.) lines of TeX

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IScope incScoR endScoR,
IChar (rdrKnldgbleIn glBreakage blastRisk) undIR appStanddIR,
IOrgSec intendedReaderIntro dataDefn SRS.dataDefn intendedReaderIntro_end]):
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$$S_i = \frac{P_i}{FS}$$
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SSP Example (Issue #348)

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Where did τ_i come from?



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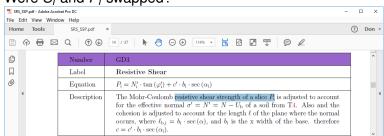
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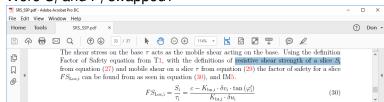
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$$S_i = \frac{P_i}{FS}$$
 (1) $FS = \frac{S_i}{\tau_i}$ (2)

Where did τ_i come from?

- τ_i was not defined anywhere in the documents
- Found with Drasil undefined symbols throw errors
- Equation based on concepts symbols automatically retrieved



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Conceptual Inconsistencies in Software Artifacts

Manually created artifacts are human-readable.

Problems arise when explaining things to a machine.

- What do our artifacts mean?
- What is each section contributing?
- Why do we organize things a given way?

Need to be more rigorous!

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What next?

- Finish writing paper for ACM TOSEM
- Complete Thesis writing
- Continue improving Drasil



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Summary

Problem:

- Duplication
- Inconsistency
- Design for change
- Promote re-usability
- Re-certification

Solution:

Capture fine-grained knowledge & generate ALL artifacts