

# DRASIL

## A Knowledge-Based Approach to Scientific Software Development

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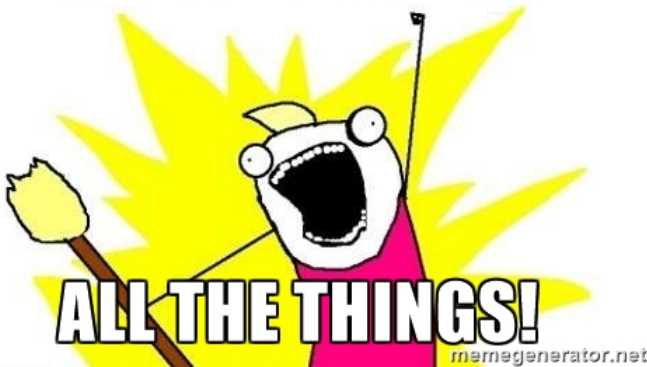
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# Background Context

- $\exists$  problems  $\in D$  where
- $D = \{ \text{scientific computing, engineering computing} \}$
- Problems = [
  - Inconsistent Software Requirement Specifications (SRS) across  $D$
  - Inconsistency between code and documentation
  - Documentation is annoying to make and maintain
  - Hard to reuse code for different applications]

# GENERATE



# Purpose of Drasil

- Solve the four problems
- Promote
  - Reusability
    - Examples have fully documented code
    - Data base to build new examples
  - Maintainability
    - Make changes in one place, gets updated everywhere

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- Case Studies (Example.Drasil)
  - This part is where you would input equations, requirements, and output code and documentation

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Var	Physical Constraints	Software Constraints	Typical Value	Typical Uncertainty
$P_{btol}$	$0.0 < P_{btol}$ and $P_{btol} < 1.0$	None	0.008	1.0e-3
$TNT$	$TNT > 0.0$	None	1	0.1
$a$	$a > 0.0$ and $\frac{a}{b} > 1.0$	$d_{min} \leq a, a \leq d_{max}$ , and $\frac{a}{b} < AR_{max}$	1500.0 m	0.1
$b$	$b > 0.0$ and $b < a$	$d_{min} \leq b, b \leq d_{max}$ , and $\frac{a}{b} < AR_{max}$	1200.0 m	0.1
$w$	$w \geq 0.0$	$w_{max} \leq w$ and $w \leq w_{min}$	42.0 kg	0.1
$SD$	$SD > 0.0$	$SD_{min} < SD$ and $SD < SD_{max}$	45.0 m	0.1

**Input Data Constraints**

# insert title

```
s6_2_5_table1 = Table [S "Var", S "Physical Cons", S "Software Constraints", S "Typical Value",  
  S "Uncertainty"] (mkTable [(\\x -> x!!0), (\\x -> x!!1), (\\x -> x!!2), (\\x -> x!!3),  
    (\\x -> x!!4)] [(P $ plate_len ^. symbol), (P $ plate_len ^. symbol) ++ S "> 0 and" ++  
    (P $ plate_len ^. symbol) ++ S "/" ++ (P $ plate_width ^. symbol) ++ S "> 1",  
    (P $ dim_min ^. symbol) ++ S "<=" ++ (P $ plate_len ^. symbol) ++ S "<=" ++  
    (P $ dim_max ^. symbol) ++ S "and" ++ (P $ plate_len ^. symbol) ++ S "/" ++  
    (P $ plate_width ^. symbol) ++ S "<" ++ (P $ ar_max ^. symbol), S "1500" ++  
    Sy (unit_symb plate_len), S "10%"], [(P $ plate_width ^. symbol),  
    (P $ (plate_width ^. symbol)) ++ S "> 0 and" ++ (P $ plate_width ^. symbol)  
    ++ S "<" ++ (P $ plate_len ^. symbol), (P $ dim_min ^. symbol) ++ S "<=" ++  
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    (P $ ar_max ^. symbol), S "1200" ++ Sy (unit_symb plate_width), S "10%"],  
    [(P $ pb_tol ^. symbol), S "0 <" ++ (P $ pb_tol ^. symbol) ++ S "< 1", S "-", S "0.008", S "0"  
    [(P $ char_weight ^. symbol), (P $ char_weight ^. symbol) ++ S ">= 0", (P $ cWeightMin ^. symb  
    ++ S "<" ++ (P $ char_weight ^. symbol) ++ S "<" ++ (P $ cWeightMax ^. symbol), S "42" ++  
    Sy (unit_symb char_weight), S "10%"],[(P $ tNT ^. symbol), (P $ tNT ^. symbol) ++  
    S " > 0", S "-", S "1", S "10%"], [(P $ standOffDist ^. symbol), (P $ standOffDist ^. symbol)  
    ++ S "> 0", (P $ sd_min ^. symbol) ++ S "<" ++ (P $ standOffDist ^. symbol) ++ S "<" ++  
    (P $ sd_max ^. symbol), S "45" ++ Sy (unit_symb standOffDist), S "10%"]])
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```
s6_2_5_table1 :: Contents  
s6_2_5_table1 = inDataConstTbl (gbInputDataConstraints)
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plate_len :: UncertQ
plate_len = uqcND "plate_len" (nounPhraseSP "plate length (long dimension)")
  1A metre Real
  [ physc $ \c -> c :> (Dbl 0),
    physc $ \c -> (c / (C plate_width)) :> (Dbl 1),
    sfwrc $ \c -> (C dim_min) :<= c,
    sfwrc $ \c -> c :<= (C dim_max),
    sfwrc $ \c -> (c / (C plate_width)) :< (C ar_max) ] (Dbl 1500) defaultUncrt
```

Figure

```
-- Creates the input Data Constraints Table
inDataConstTbl :: (UncertainQuantity c, SymbolForm c, Constrained c) => [c] -> Contents
inDataConstTbl qlst = Table ([S "Var"] ++ (isPhys $ physC (head qlst) qlst) ++
  (isSfwr $ sfwrC (head qlst) qlst) ++ [S "Typical" ++ titleize value] ++
  (isUnc $ typUnc (head qlst) qlst))
  (map (\x -> fmtInputConstr x qlst) qlst)
  (S "Input Data Constraints") True
  where isPhys [] = []
        isPhys _ = [titleize' physicalConstraint]
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- Git (**when used properly**) prevents catastrophic lose of work

For more information about Drasil and LLS visit our github page:  
<https://github.com/JacquesCarette/literate-scientific-software>

You can even build a working version yourself!