DRASIL

A Knowledge-Based Approach to Scientific Software Development

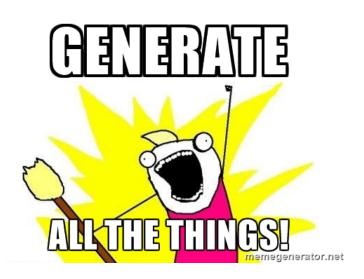
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Background Context

- ullet \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



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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 - This part is where you would input equations, requirements, and output code and documentation

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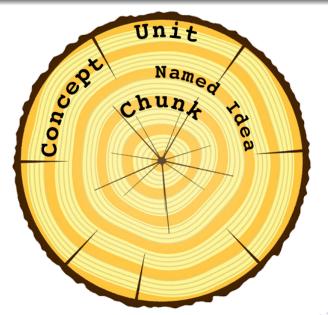
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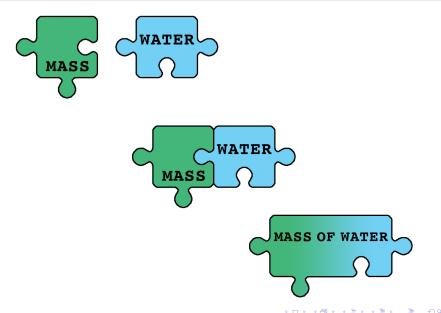
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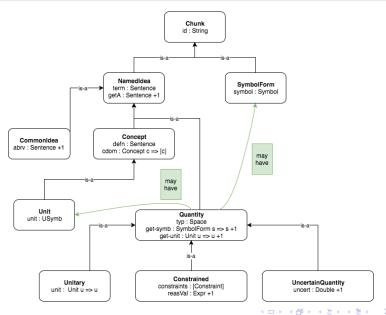
Growing Chunk



Chunk Combinations



Drasil Logic Tree



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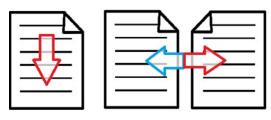
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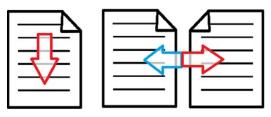
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Var	Physical Constraints	Software Constraints	Typical Value	Typical Uncertainty
P _{btol}	$0.0 < P_{btol}$ and $P_{btol} < 1.0$	None	0.008	1.0e-3
TNT	TNT > 0.0	None	1	0.1
а	$a > 0.0$ and $\frac{a}{b} >$ 1.0	$d_{min} \le a, a \le d_{max}$, and $\frac{a}{b}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

Input Data Constraints



Example

```
s6_2_5_table1 = Table [S "Var", S "Physical Cons", S "Software Constraints", S "Typical Value",
 5 "Uncertainty"] (mkTable [(x \rightarrow x!!0), (x \rightarrow x!!1), (x \rightarrow x!!2), (x \rightarrow x!!3),
   (\x -> x!!4)] [[(P $ plate_len ^. symbol), (P $ plate_len ^. symbol) +:+ 5 "> 0 and" +:+
   (P $ plate len ^. symbol) :+: $ "/" :+: (P $ plate width ^. symbol) +:+ $ "> 1".
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   Sy (unit symb plate len), 5 "10%"], [(P $ plate width ^. symbol),
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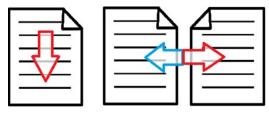
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s6_2_5_table1 :: Contents
s6_2_5_table1 = inDataConstTbl (gbInputDataConstraints)
```

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-- 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 (\tax -> fmtInputConstr x qlst) qlst)
(s "Input Data Constraints") True
where isPhys [] = []
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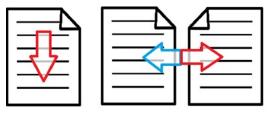
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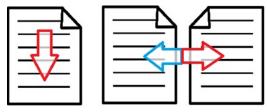
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- GamePhysics
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End

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!