

# High-Level Optimization of Abstract Data Types

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# Programming With Abstract Data Types

- System specifications use sets and relations
  - Expressive and provable
- Semantics from mathematics

Syntax	Label	Syntax	Label
$set(T)$	Unordered, unique collection	$S \cup T$	Union
$S \leftrightarrow T$	Relation, $set(S \times T)$	$S \cap T$	Intersection
$S \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$	Bag/Multiset	$S \setminus T$	Difference
$\mathbb{N} \rightarrow S$	Sequence	$S \times T$	Cartesian Product
$\{x, y, \dots\}$	Set Enumeration	$dom(R)$	Domain
$\{x \cdot P \mid E\}$	Set Comprehension	$R[S]$	Image

# Example - Visitor Information System

- Academics attend workshops throughout CASCON 2025
- Every workshop must be held in one room
- Visitors may attend at most one workshop at a time

$Visitor = \{J. Nelson, Mark, Ehsan\}$   
 $Room = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$   
 $Workshop = \{CDP, SENGEC, COGAI\}$

$location: Workshop \rightarrow Room$   
 $attends: Visitor \rightarrow Workshop$

Total Injective Function

Partial Function

Then, the number of meals to prepare for a specific *room* would be:

$$card((location^{-1} \circ attends^{-1})[\{room\}])$$

Relational Image

# Example - Warehouse Inventory System

- Furniture material catalogue
- Warehouse inventory
- Product recipes

$Material = \{2 \times 4 \text{ Plank}, \text{Hex Bolt}, 3 \text{ Inch Screw}, \dots\}$

$Price = \mathbb{N}_0$

$Product = \{Cabinet, Desk, Bookshelf, \dots\}$

$catalogue: Material \rightarrow Price$

$inventory: bag[Material]$

$recipes: Product \rightarrow bag[Material]$

Equivalent to:  $Material \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$

Restocking price, with a target inventory  $inventory_t$ :

$\sum p \mapsto n_m \cdot$

$p \mapsto n_m \in catalogue^{-1} \circ (inventory_t - inventory) \mid p \times n_m$

Bag Difference

# Abstract Data Types

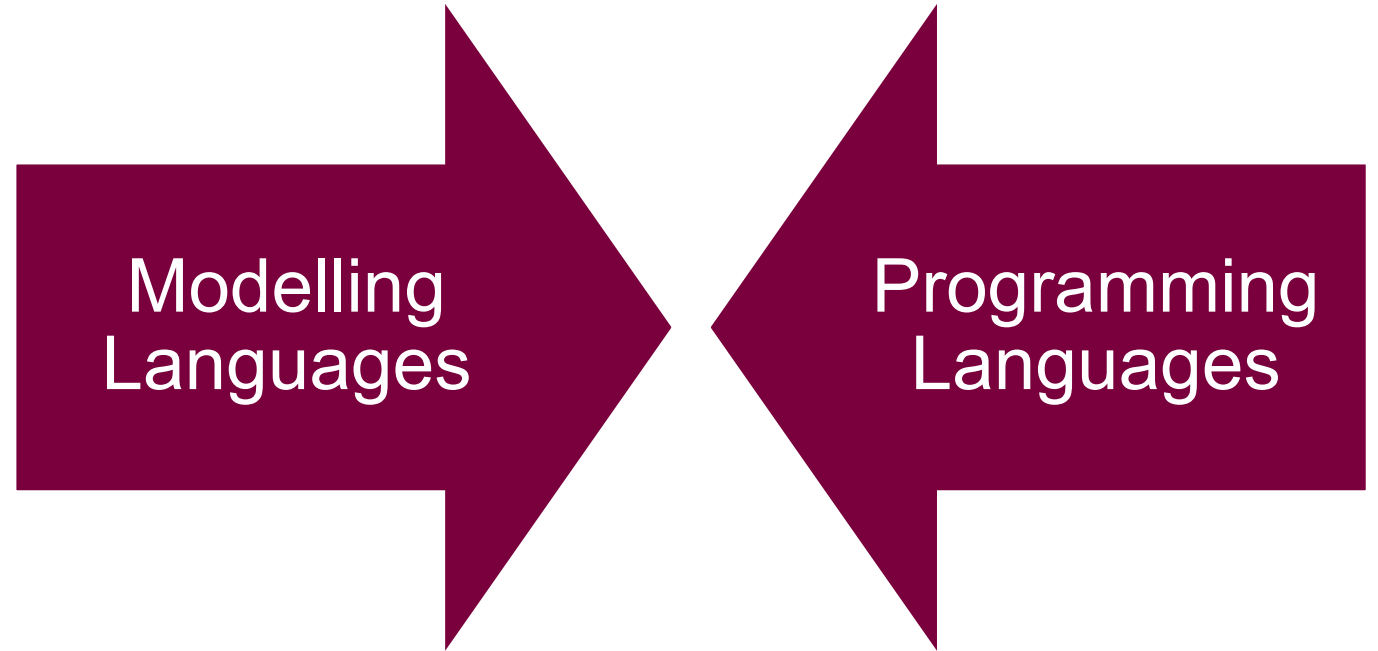
## In Programming and Modelling Languages

		Sets				Relations								Efficiently Executable	Implementation Free	
		$\cup$	$\cap$	$\times$	$\{x \cdot P \mid E\}$	$dom$	$\triangleleft$	$\cup$	$\cap$	$\triangleleft$	$\circ$	$R[S]$	$R^{-1}$			Multiplicity
Programming Languages	Python	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	X	*	✓	X	*	X	X	*	X
	Haskell	✓	✓	✓	*	✓	*	X	✓	✓	*	*	✓	*	✓	X
	Rust	✓	✓	*	*	✓	X	X	X	*	X	✓	X	X	✓	X
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Modelling Languages	SetL	✓	✓	*	✓	✓	✓	✓	*	*	✓	*	*	*	*	*
	UML	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	X	X	X	✓	X	✓	X	✓	*	✓
	Event-B	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	*	✓
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# Goals

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- Syntax close to discrete mathematics
- Simple, small, and usable
- High-level set-theory optimization
- Efficient in memory and time



# Related Work

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- ProB animation engine for Event-B [1]
- GHC rewrite rules [2]
- Rewrite systems for set-theory focused optimization [3,4,5]
- SETL data type *lowering* from abstract types to suitable concrete structures [6,7]

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# Optimizing Abstract Data Type Operations (in Python)

$$(S \cup T) \cap V$$



$$(S \cap V) \cup ((T \setminus S) \cap V)$$

# Python translation:

```
ret = set()
for x in S:
    ret.add(x)
# Step 1: len(ret) == len(S)
for x in T:
    ret.add(x)
# Step 2: len(ret) <= len(S) + len(T)
for x in ret:
    if x not in V:
        ret.remove(x)
# Step 3: len(ret) <= len(V)
```

# New Python translation:

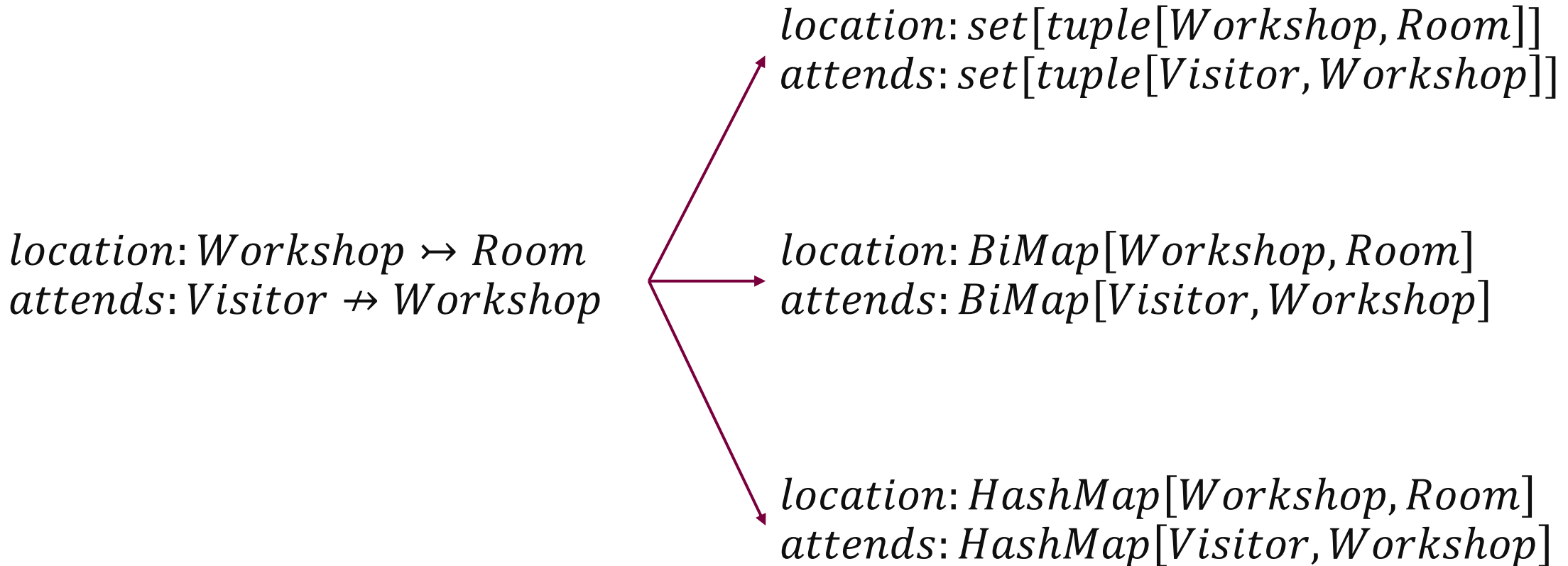
```
ret = set()
for x in S:
    if x in V:
        ret.add(x)
# Step 1: len(ret) <= min(len(S), len(V))
for x in T:
    if x not in S and x in V:
        ret.add(x)
# Step 2: len(ret) <= min(len(S) + len(T), len(V))
```

What if  $\text{len}(S) + \text{len}(T) > \text{len}(V)$ ?

*ret* never grows larger than needed



# Concrete Data Types of the Visitor Information System



# Naïve Implementation of the Visitor Information System

## Concrete Types

$location: set[tuple[Workshop, Room]]$   
 $attends: set[tuple[Visitor, Workshop]]$

## Imperative Interpretation

$card((location^{-1} \circ attends^{-1})[\{room\}])$



$l := inverse(location)$   
 $a := inverse(attends)$   
 $c := compose(l, a)$

...

## Library

```
proc inverse( $r$ ):  
   $r' := \{\}$   
  for  $k, v \in r$  do  
     $r' := r' \cup \{(v, k)\}$   
  return  $r'$ 
```

Runtime:  $O(n)$   
Memory: up to  $O(n)$

```
proc compose( $r_1, r_2$ ):  
   $r' := \{\}$   
  for  $k, v \in r_1$  do  
    for  $v', t \in r_2$  do  
      if  $v = v'$  then  
         $r' := r' \cup \{(k, t)\}$   
  return  $r'$ 
```

Runtime:  $O(n^2)$   
Memory:  $O(n)$

# Designing Optimizations

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- Set theory semantics for optimizations
- Strong type system with refinements
- Rewrite system:
  - Simplify operations
  - Select concrete data representations from refined types
  - Generate efficient code for every concrete representation and operation sequence

# Term Rewriting for Hash-based Sets and Relations

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1. Comprehension Construction
2. Generator Selection
3. Loop Lowering
4. Relational Subtyping Loop Simplification
5. Loop Code Generation
6. Replace and Simplify

# Phase 1: Set Comprehension Construction

Set-typed variables and literals are decomposed into set comprehensions

Rewrite Rules	
Predicate Operations	$S \cup T \rightsquigarrow \{x \cdot x \in S \vee x \in T \mid x\}$
	$S \cap T \rightsquigarrow \{x \cdot x \in S \wedge x \in T \mid x\}$
	$S \setminus T \rightsquigarrow \{x \cdot x \in S \wedge x \notin T \mid x\}$
Membership Collapse	$x \in \{E \mid P\} \rightsquigarrow \exists y \cdot P \wedge x = E$
Image	$R[S] \rightsquigarrow \{y \cdot \exists x \cdot x \mapsto y \in R \wedge x \in S \mid y\}$
Composition	$x \mapsto z \in R \circ Q \rightsquigarrow x, z \cdot \exists y, y' \cdot x \mapsto y \in R \wedge y' \mapsto z \in Q \wedge y = y'$
Inverse	$x \mapsto y \in R^{-1} \rightsquigarrow y \mapsto x \in R$
Cardinality	$card(S) \rightsquigarrow \sum x \cdot x \in S \mid 1$

Post-condition:

- All set-like terms must be comprehensions

$$\begin{array}{l}
 \text{Workshop} \mapsto \text{Room} \quad \text{Visitor} \mapsto \text{Workshop} \\
 numMeals = \bigvee card((location^{-1} \circ attends^{-1})[\{room\}]) \\
 \quad \quad \quad \downarrow \text{Image} \\
 numMeals = card(\{v \cdot \exists r \cdot r \mapsto v \in (location^{-1} \circ attends^{-1}) \wedge r \in \{room\} \mid v\}) \\
 \quad \quad \quad \downarrow \text{Composition, Inverse} \\
 numMeals = card(\{v, r \cdot \exists p, p' \cdot v \mapsto p' \in attends \wedge p \mapsto r \in location \wedge p = p' \wedge r \in \{room\} \mid v\}) \\
 \quad \quad \quad \downarrow \text{Cardinality, Membership} \\
 numMeals = \sum v, r \cdot \exists p, p' \cdot v \mapsto p' \in attends \wedge p \mapsto r \in location \wedge p = p' \wedge r = room \mid 1
 \end{array}$$



# Phase 2: Generator Selection

Selecting element generators for use as iterables in generated for-loops

## Rewrite Rules

Generator Selection

$$\bigwedge P_i \rightsquigarrow P_g \wedge \bigwedge_{P_i \neq P_g} P_i$$

- $P_g$  is of the form  $x \in S$
- $x$  is the quantifier's bound variable
- $S$  is a set-like term

- In the case of multiple candidate generators, selection is based on heuristics

$$\text{numMeals} = \sum v, r \cdot \exists p, p' \cdot v \mapsto p' \in \text{attends} \\ \wedge p \mapsto r \in \text{location} \wedge p = p' \wedge r = \text{room} \mid 1$$



Generator Selection

Post-condition:

- All set-like terms must be comprehensions
- Quantifier predicates are in DNF
  - Guaranteed top-level-v operation
- One bound variable per generator
- All predicate v-clauses have an assigned generator

$$\text{numMeals} = \sum \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{r} \cdot \exists p, p' \cdot \mathbf{v} \mapsto \mathbf{p}' \in \mathbf{attends} \\ \wedge \mathbf{p} \mapsto \mathbf{r} \in \mathbf{location} \wedge p = p' \wedge r = \text{room} \mid 1$$

# Phase 3: Loop Lowering

Start lowering expressions into imperative-like loops

## Rewrite Rules

Quantifier Generation	$\oplus E \mid P$	$\rightsquigarrow$	$a := \text{identity}(\oplus)$ <b>loop</b> $P$ <b>do</b> $a := a \oplus E$
Chained Generators	<b>loop</b> $G_1 \wedge G_2$ <b>do</b> $a := a \oplus E$	$\rightsquigarrow$	<b>loop</b> $G_1$ <b>do</b> <b>loop</b> $G_2$ <b>do</b> $a := a \oplus E$
Disjunct Generators	<b>loop</b> $G_1 \vee G_2$ <b>do</b> $a := a \oplus E$	$\rightsquigarrow$	<b>loop</b> $G_1$ <b>do</b> $a := a \oplus E$ <b>loop</b> $G_2 \wedge \neg G_1$ <b>do</b> $a := a \oplus E$

Post-condition:

- No quantifiers exist within the AST
- No  $\vee$ -operators exist within a **loop**'s predicate
- All predicate  $\vee$ -clauses have an assigned generator

- $\oplus$  is any of  $\{\dots\}, \Sigma, \Pi, \cup, \cap$

$\text{numMeals} =$   
 $\Sigma \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{r} \cdot \exists p', p \cdot \mathbf{v} \mapsto \mathbf{p}' \in \text{attends}$   
 $\wedge \mathbf{p} \mapsto \mathbf{r} \in \text{location} \wedge r = \text{room} \wedge p = p' \mid 1)$

Quantifier Generation

$\text{numMeals} := 0$   
**loop**  $\mathbf{v} \mapsto \mathbf{p}' \in \text{attends}$   
      $\wedge \mathbf{p} \mapsto \mathbf{r} \in \text{location} \wedge p = p' \wedge r = \text{room}$  **do**  
          $\text{numMeals} := \text{numMeals} + 1$

Chained Generators

$\text{numMeals} := 0$   
**loop**  $\mathbf{v} \mapsto \mathbf{p}' \in \text{attends}$  **do**  
     **loop**  $\mathbf{p} \mapsto \mathbf{r} \in \text{location} \wedge r = \text{room} \wedge p = p'$  **do**  
          $\text{numMeals} := \text{numMeals} + 1$

# Phase 4: Relation Subtyping Loop Simplification

Eliminate unnecessary loops

## Rewrite Rules

Restricted  
Generator

**loop**  $x \mapsto y \in R$   
 $\wedge x = x' \wedge y = y'$  **do**      **if**  $R(x') = y'$  **then**  
    body                                      body  
    •  $R$  is total                               $\rightsquigarrow$   
    •  $R$  is one-to-one

One-to-one Total Function

$numMeals := 0$   
**loop**  $v \mapsto p' \in attends$  **do**  
    **loop**  $p \mapsto r \in location \wedge r = room \wedge p = p'$  **do**  
         $numMeals := numMeals + 1$



$numMeals := 0$   
**loop**  $v \mapsto p' \in attends$  **do**  
    **if**  $location(p') = room$  **then**  
         $numMeals := numMeals + 1$

Post-condition:

- No quantifiers exist within the AST
- No v-operators exist within a *loop*'s predicate
- All predicate v-clauses have an assigned generator

# Phase 5: Loop Code Generation

Lower into imperative *loop* structures

## Rewrite Rules

Conjunct  
Conditional

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{loop } P_g \\ \wedge \bigwedge P_i \text{ do } \rightsquigarrow \\ \text{body} \end{array} \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{if } \bigwedge_{\text{free}(P_i)} P_i \text{ then} \\ \text{for } P_g \text{ do} \\ \text{if } \bigwedge_{\neg \text{free}(P_i)} P_i \text{ then} \\ \text{body} \end{array}$$

Post-condition:

- Code is imperatively executable

```
numMeals := 0
loop v ↦ p' ∈ attends do
  if location(p') = room then
    numMeals := numMeals + 1
```



```
numMeals := 0
for v, p' ∈ attends do
  if location(p') = room then
    numMeals := numMeals + 1
```

# Visitor Information System - Translation

$location: Workshop \mapsto Room$   
 $attends: Visitor \mapsto Workshop$

One-to-One Total Function

$numMeals$   
 $= card((location^{-1} \circ attends^{-1})[\{room\}])$

$numMeals$   
 $= \sum v, r \cdot \exists p, p' \cdot v \mapsto p' \in attends$   
 $\wedge p \mapsto r \in location \wedge \mathbf{p} = \mathbf{p'} \wedge \mathbf{r} = \mathbf{room} \mid 1$

$numMeals$   
 $= \sum v \cdot \exists p' \cdot v \mapsto p' \in attends \wedge location(p') = room \mid 1$

$numMeals := 0$   
**for**  $v, p' \in attends$  **do**  
     **if**  $location(p') = room$  **then**  
          $numMeals := numMeals + 1$



# Warehouse Inventory System – Translation

$catalogue: Material \rightarrow Price$   
 $inventory: bag[Material]$   
 $recipes: Product \rightarrow bag[Material]$

Many-to-One Total Function

Many-to-One Function

Restocking price, with a target inventory  $inventory_t$ :

$$price = \sum p \mapsto n_m \cdot p \mapsto n_m \in catalogue^{-1} \circ (inventory_t - inventory) \mid p \times n_m$$

$$price = \sum m \mapsto n_m \cdot \exists n, m, p \cdot m \mapsto n_m \in inventory_t \wedge n = n_m - inventory(m) \wedge n \geq 0 \wedge p = catalogue(m) \mid p \times n_m$$

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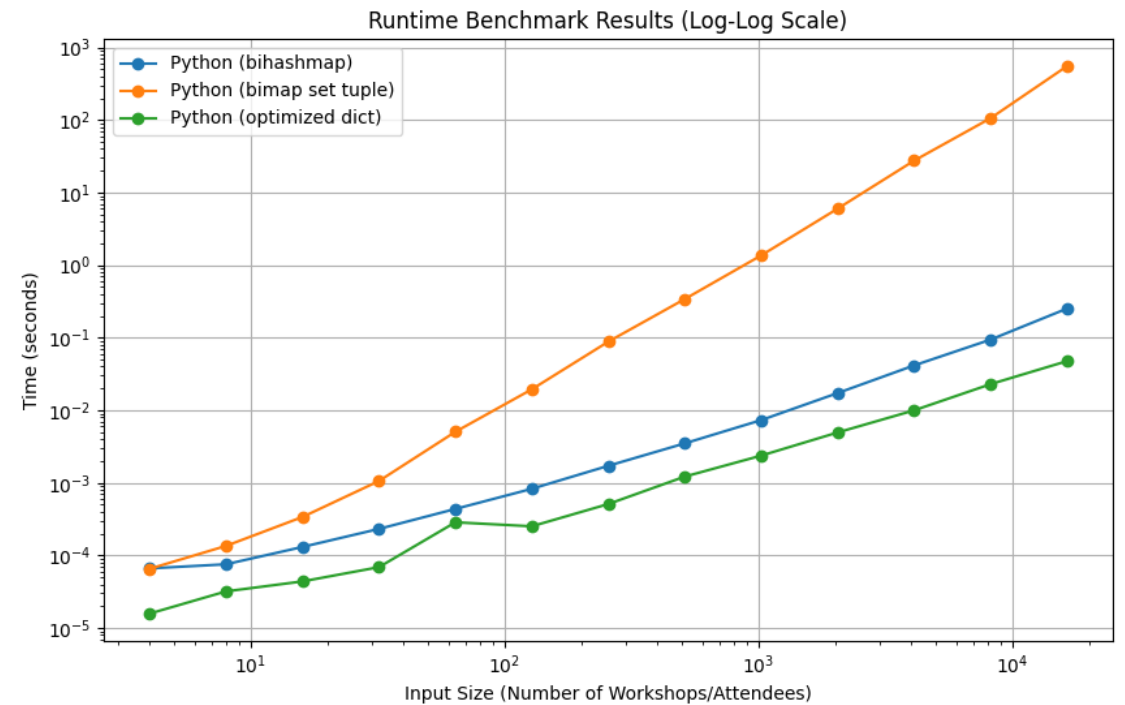
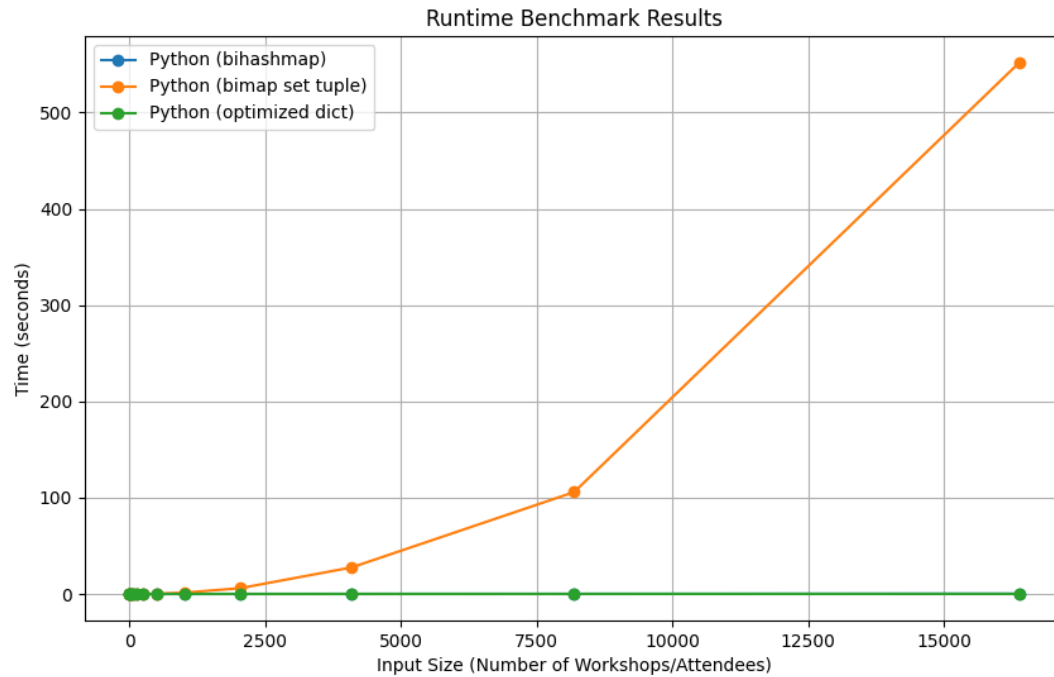
price := 0
for m, n_m in inventory_t do
    n := n_m - inventory(m)
    if n ≥ 0 then
        price := price + catalogue(m) × n
    
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# Preliminary Results

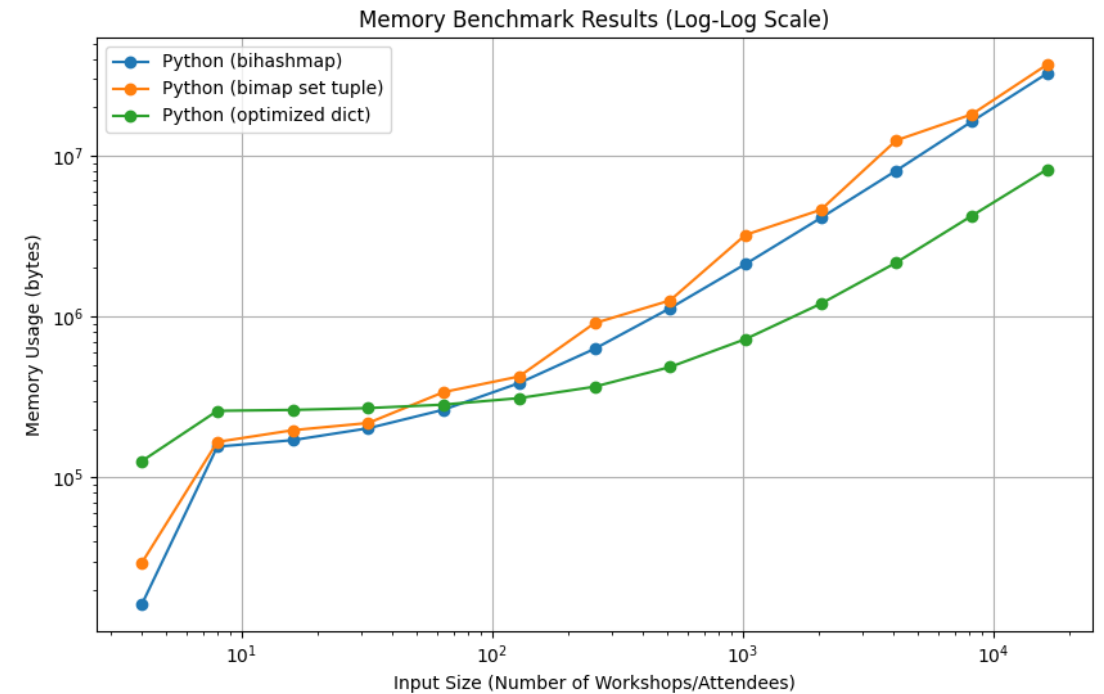
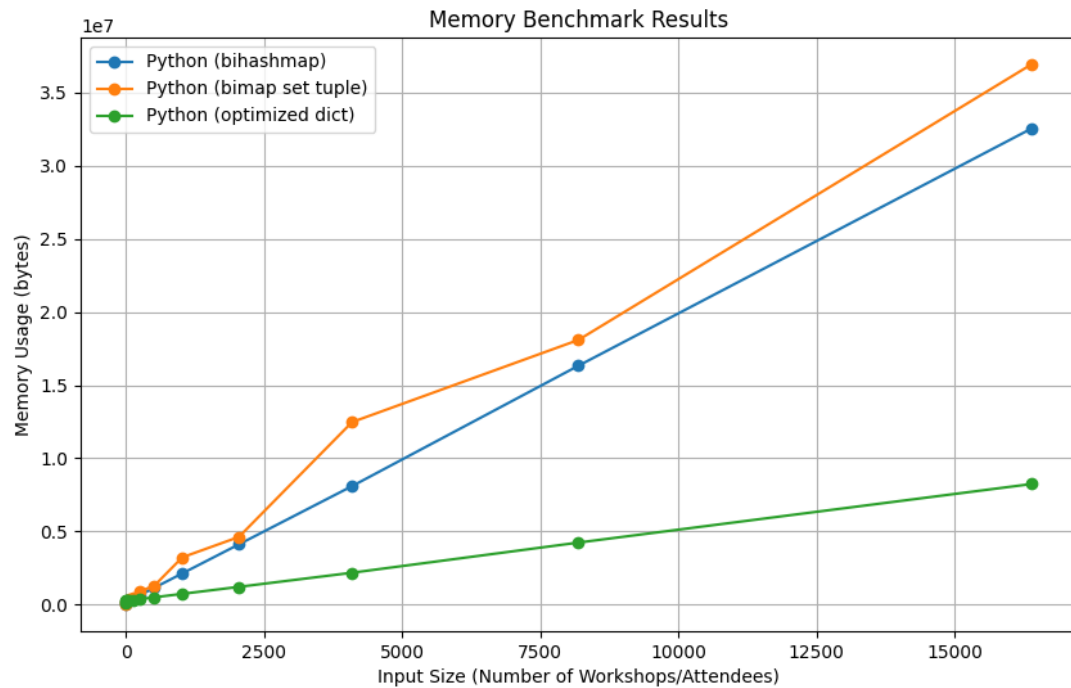
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- Intermediate sets never grow larger than  $\max(\text{starting sets}, \text{resulting set})$
- Unions, Relation Overriding, and Cartesian Products are limited in growth
- Other operators only decrease the size of a resulting set
- What about running time?...

# Visitor Information System Benchmark – Runtime



# Visitor Information System Benchmark – Memory Consumption



# Examples Running Time

	Core Expression	Naïve Running Time	Optimized Running Time
<b>Visitor Information System</b>	$(location^{-1} \circ attends^{-1})[\{room\}]$	$O( location  attends )$	$O( attends )$
<b>Warehouse Inventory System</b>	$\sum p \mapsto n_m \cdot p \mapsto n_m$ $\in (inventory_t - inventory) \circ catalogue^{-1}$ $  p \times n_m$	$O( inventory_t  catalogue )$	$O( inventory_t )$



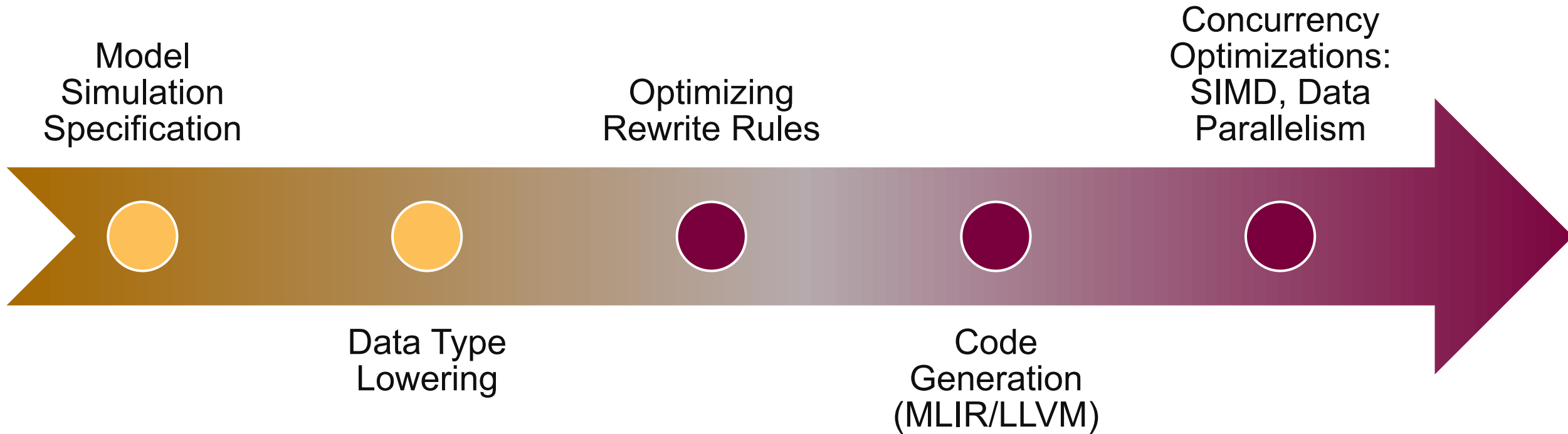
# Operation Running Time With (Bi-directional) HashMaps

Operation	Expected Running Time
$S \cup T$	$O( S  +  T )$
$S \cap T$	$O(\min( S ,  T ))$
$R[S]$	$O(\min( S ,  R ))$
$R \circ Q$	$O( R  Q )$
$(S \cup T) \cap U$	$O(\min( S  +  T ,  U ))$
$S \cap R[T]$	$O(\min( S ,  R ,  T ))$
$(R \circ Q)[S]$	$O(\min( S ,  R ) + \min( R[S] ,  Q ))$

- Simplify large groups of  $\wedge$ -predicates
- Eagerly apply conditions on sequential  $\vee$ -predicates

# Current Compiler State and Roadmap

Development of a High-Level, Efficient, Set-Based Language



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