Java Refactoring Case: a VIATRA Solution*

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This paper presents a solution for the Java Refactoring Case of the Transformation Tool Contest 2015. The solution utilises Eclipse JDT for creating the program graph; while EMF-INCQUERY, VIATRA and the Xtend programming language are used for defining and performing the model transformations.

1 Introduction

The use of automated model transformations is a key factor in modern model-driven system engineering. Model transformations allow to query, derive and manipulate large industrial models, including models based on existing systems, e.g. source code models created with reverse engineering techniques. Since such transformations are frequently integrated to modeling environments, they need to feature both high performance and a concise programming interface to support software engineers.

Refactoring operations are often used in software engineering to improve the readability, maintainability of existing source code without altering the behaviour of the software.

1.1 EMF-INCQUERY

Automated model transformations are frequently integrated to modeling environments, requiring both high performance and a concise programming interface to support software engineers. The objective of the EMF-INCQUERY [2, 4] framework is to provide a declarative way to define queries over EMF models. EMF-INCQUERY extended the pattern language of VIATRA2 with new features (including transitive closure, role navigation, match count) and tailored it to EMF models [3]. EMF-INCQUERY is developed with a focus on *incremental query evaluation*.

1.2 VIATRA

The VIATRA framework supports the development of model transformations with specific focus on event-driven, reactive transformations [7]. Building upon the incremental query support of the EMF-INCQUERY project, VIATRA offers a language to define transformations and a reactive transformation engine to execute certain transformations upon changes in the underlying model.

The VIATRA project provides:

- An internal DSL over the Xtend [8] language to specify both batch and event-driven, reactive transformations.

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- A complex event-processing engine over EMF models to specify reactions upon detecting complex sequences of events.
- A rule-based design space exploration framework to explore design candidates as models satisfying multiple criteria.
- A model obfuscator to remove sensitive information from a confidential model (e.g. to create bug reports).

The current VIATRA project is a full rewrite of the previous VIATRA2 framework, now with full compatibility and support for EMF models. The history of the VIATRA family is described in [6].

2 Case Description

The goal of the Java Refactoring Case [9] is to use model transformation tools to perform refactoring operations on Java source code. The main challenges of the case are the following:

1. Transform the *Java source code* to a *program graph* (PG). The source code and the program graph must be synchronised using a bidirectional transformation.
2. Perform the refactoring transformation on the program graph.

The source code is defined in a restricted sub-language of Java 1.4. The EMF metamodel of the PG is provided in the case description. The case considers two refactoring operations:

- Pull Up Method
- Create Superclass

3 Implementation

The source code of the solution is available as an open-source project.[1]

The solution was developed in the Eclipse IDE. For setting up the development environment, please refer to the readme file. The projects are not tied to the Eclipse environment and can be compiled with the Apache Maven [1] build automation tool. This offers a number of benefits, including easy portability and the possibility of continuous integration.

The solution is written in Java 8 and Xtend [8].

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3.1 Parsing the Source Code to the ASG

The solution uses the parser of Eclipse Java Development Tools [5], which is also used in the Eclipse Java IDE. The parser generates the Abstract Syntax Graph (ASG) from the provided source code files.

[1] `https://github.com/FTSRG/java-refactoring-ttc-viatra`

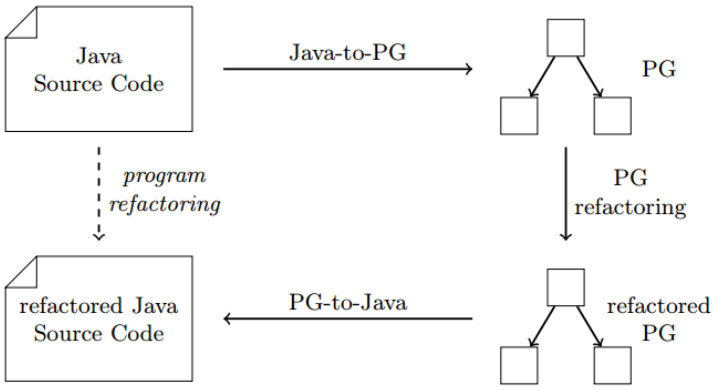

Figure 1: Caption.

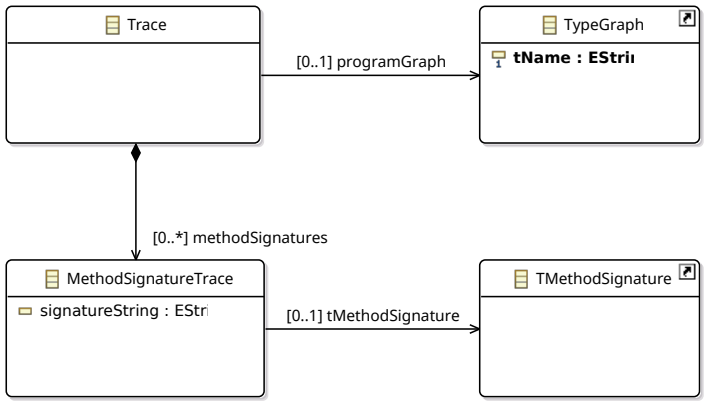

Figure 2: Metamodel of the trace model.

3.2 Synchronising the ASG and the PG

As VIATRA does not support bidirectional transformations, the JDT ASG–PG transformation was implemented as two separate transformations:

JDT ASG to PG The JDT model is traversed using the Visitor pattern.

PG to JDT ASG VIATRA rules are used to detect the changes and execute the appropriate actions to keep the ASG in sync.

3.3 Transforming the PG

The refactoring operations are implemented as model transformations on the PG. Each model transformation is defined in VIATRA: the LHS is defined with an EMF-INCQUERY pattern and the RHS is defined with an imperative Xtend code.

3.4 Transforming the ASG to Source Code

The ASG is transformed using JDT's CompilationUnit.rewrite() method which converts the changes of the abstract syntax graph to a set of text manipulation operations (TextEdit class).

4 Evaluation

The benchmark were conducted on a 64-bit Arch Linux virtual machine running on SHARE.[2]

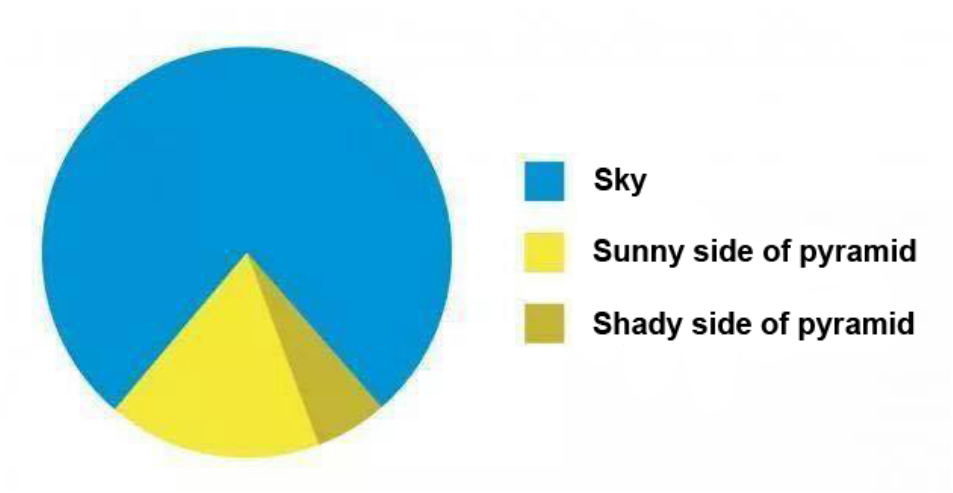

Figure 3: Benchmark results.

5 Summary

The paper presented a solution for the Java Refactoring case of the 2015 Transformation Tool Contest. The solution addresses both challenges (bidirectional synchrosiation and program refactoring) and both refactoring operations (pull up method, create superclass) defined in the case.

The framework is flexible to allow the user to define new refactoring operations, e.g. Extract Class or Pull Up Field.

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A Appendix

```
/**
 * This class implements the transformation logic.
 */
class Transformation {

  /**
   * Initialize the transformation processor on a resource.
   * The runtime of the transformation steps are logged.
   * @param r The target resource of the transformation.
   * @param bmr The benchmark logger.
   */
  new (Resource r, BenchmarkResults bmr) {
    this.r = r;
    this.bmr = bmr;
    this.root = r.contents.get(0) as Root
  }

  // to store the benchmark results
  protected val BenchmarkResults bmr;
  // to store the model
  protected Resource r

  ////// Resources Management
  protected val Root root;
  /**
   * Helper function to add elements to the target resource.
   * @param
   */
  def addElementToResource(ContainedElement containedElement) {
    root.children.add(containedElement)
  }
  def addElementsToResource(Collection<? extends ContainedElement> containedElements) {
    root.children.addAll(containedElements)
  }
  def getElementsFromResource() {
    root.children
  }
  ////////////////////////////

  // to help with model manipulation
  extension MoviesFactory = MoviesFactory.eINSTANCE
  extension Imdb = Imdb.instance

  // create couples
  public def createCouples() {
    val engine = AdvancedIncQueryEngine.createUnmanagedEngine(r)
    val coupleMatcher = engine.personsToCouple
    val commonMoviesMatcher = engine.commonMoviesToCouple
    val personNameMatcher = engine.personName

    val newCouples = new LinkedList<Couple>
    coupleMatcher.forEachMatch [
      val couple = createCouple()
      val p1 = personNameMatcher.getAllValuesOfp(p1name).head
      val p2 = personNameMatcher.getAllValuesOfp(p2name).head
      couple.setP1(p1)
      couple.setP2(p2)
      val commonMovies = commonMoviesMatcher.getAllValuesOfm(p1name, p2name)
      couple.commonMovies.addAll(commonMovies)

      newCouples += couple
    ]
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63
64    println("# of couples = " + newCouples.size)
65    engine.dispose
66    addElementsToResource(newCouples);
67  }
68
69  // calculate the top group by rating
70  def topGroupByRating(int size) {
71    println("Top-15 by Average Rating")
72    println("========================")
73    val n = 15;
74
75    val engine = IncQueryEngine.on(r)
76    val coupleWithRatingMatcher = engine.groupSize
77    val rankedCouples = coupleWithRatingMatcher.getAllValuesOfgroup(size).sort(
78      new GroupAVGComparator)
79
80    printCouples(n, rankedCouples)
81  }
82
83  // calculate the top group by common movies
84  def topGroupByCommonMovies(int size) {
85    println("Top-15 by Number of Common Movies")
86    println("=================================")
87
88    val n = 15;
89    val engine = IncQueryEngine.on(r)
90    val coupleWithRatingMatcher = engine.groupSize
91
92    val rankedCouples = coupleWithRatingMatcher.getAllValuesOfgroup(size).sort(
93      new GroupSizeComparator
94    )
95    printCouples(n, rankedCouples)
96  }
97
98  // pretty-print couples
99  def printCouples(int n, List<Group> rankedCouples) {
100   (0 .. n - 1).forEach [
101     if(it < rankedCouples.size) {
102       val c = rankedCouples.get(it);
103       println(c.printGroup(it))
104     }
105   ]
106 }
107
108 // pretty-print groups
109 def printGroup(Group group, int lineNumber) {
110   if(group instanceof Couple) {
111     val couple = group as Couple
112     return '''«lineNumber». Couple avgRating «group.avgRating», «group.commonMovies.size» movies («couple
    .p1.name»; «couple.p2.name»)'''
113   }
114   else {
115     val clique = group as Clique
116     return '''«lineNumber». «clique.persons.size»-Clique avgRating «group.avgRating», «group.commonMovies
    .size» movies («
117       FOR person : clique.persons SEPARATOR ", "»«person.name»«ENDFOR»)'''
118   }
119 }
120
121 // calculate average ratings
122 def calculateAvgRatings() {
123   getElementsFromResource.filter(typeof(Group)).forEach[x|calculateAvgRating(x.commonMovies, x)]
124 }
125
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126  // calculate average rating
127  protected def calculateAvgRating(Collection<Movie> commonMovies, Group group) {
128    var sumRating = 0.0
129
130    for (m : commonMovies) {
131      sumRating = sumRating + m.rating
132    }
133    val n = commonMovies.size
134    group.avgRating = sumRating / n
135  }
136
137  // create cliques
138  public def createCliques(int cliques) {
139    val engine = AdvancedIncQueryEngine.createUnmanagedEngine(r)
140    val personMatcher = getPersonName(engine)
141    var Collection<Clique> newCliques
142
143    if(cliques == 3) {
144      val clique3 = getPersonsTo3Clique(engine)
145
146      newCliques = clique3.allMatches.map[x|generateClique(
147        personMatcher.getOneArbitraryMatch(null,x.p1).p,
148        personMatcher.getOneArbitraryMatch(null,x.p2).p,
149        personMatcher.getOneArbitraryMatch(null,x.p3).p)].toList;
150    }
151    else if(cliques == 4) {
152      val clique4 = getPersonsTo4Clique(engine)
153
154      newCliques = clique4.allMatches.map[x|generateClique(
155        personMatcher.getOneArbitraryMatch(null,x.p1).p,
156        personMatcher.getOneArbitraryMatch(null,x.p2).p,
157        personMatcher.getOneArbitraryMatch(null,x.p3).p,
158        personMatcher.getOneArbitraryMatch(null,x.p4).p)].toList;
159    }
160    else if(cliques == 5) {
161      val clique5 = getPersonsTo5Clique(engine)
162      newCliques = clique5.allMatches.map[x|generateClique(
163        personMatcher.getOneArbitraryMatch(null,x.p1).p,
164        personMatcher.getOneArbitraryMatch(null,x.p2).p,
165        personMatcher.getOneArbitraryMatch(null,x.p3).p,
166        personMatcher.getOneArbitraryMatch(null,x.p4).p,
167        personMatcher.getOneArbitraryMatch(null,x.p5).p)].toList;
168    }
169
170    println("# of "+cliques+"-cliques = " + newCliques.size)
171
172    engine.dispose
173    newCliques.forEach[x|x.commonMovies.addAll(x.collectCommonMovies)]
174    addElementsToResource(newCliques);
175  }
176
177  // generate cliques
178  protected def generateClique(Person... persons) {
179    val c = createClique
180    c.persons += persons
181    return c
182  }
183
184  // collect common movies
185  protected def collectCommonMovies(Clique clique) {
186    var Set<Movie> commonMovies = null;
187    for(personMovies : clique.persons.map[movies]) {
188      if(commonMovies == null) {
189        commonMovies = personMovies.toSet;
190      }
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      else {
        commonMovies.retainAll(personMovies)
      }
    }
    return commonMovies
  }
}
```

```
/** Group g0 is a subset of Group gx. */
pattern subsetOfGroup(g0 : Group, gx : Group) {
  neg find notSubsetOfGroup(p0, g0, gx);
}

/** This pattern returns is a helper for the subsetOfGroup pattern. */
pattern notSubsetOfGroup(p0 : Person, g0 : Group, gx : Group) {
  find memberOfGroup(p0, g0);
  neg find memberOfGroup(p0, gx);
}

/** Person p is a member of Group g. A Group is either a Couple or a Clique. */
pattern memberOfGroup(p, g) {
  Couple.p1(g, p);
} or {
  Couple.p2(g, p);
} or {
  Clique.persons(g, p);
}
```