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Suposición ¿razonable?



Todos los asistentes tienen conocimientos básicos de **modelado software** y **MDE**

¿Voluntarios para tutorial ... ?

[JISBD] Se busca ponente de tutorial para JISBD-2017



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Algunas personas me han preguntado sobre la posibilidad de impartir un tutorial sobre "Herramientas para creación de lenguajes de modelado y/o DSLs en ECLIPSE", SIRIUS.

Es por ello que lanzo este mensaje para buscar voluntarios/as.

Si estas interesado en dar dicho tutorial te pido me envíes la propuesta urgente antes de 6 días.

Abajo pongo el llamado a tutoriales con detalles.

Saludos (y gracias a tope a los valientes que se ofrezcan)

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This one-day free event will propose two tracks for both beginners and advanced Sirius users who will share best practices, insights, case studies, and innovations. By joining this community event, you will definitely learn a lot about Sirius!

ROOM 1 - CHAMPS-ÉLYSÉES/CONCORDE

9h00 - 9h30

Welcome Reception

9h30 - 10h00

Welcome Speech

STÉPHANE LACRAMPE, Obeo

10h05 - 10h35

Collaborative Modeling

STÉPHANE BONNET, Thales

Integrating Textual and Graphical Editing in
the POOSL IDE

DR. IR. ARJAN MOOIJ, Embedded Systems
Innovation by TNO

10h40 - 11h10

ASML's MDE Going Sirius

WILBERT ALBERTS, ASML

Visualization of Inferred Versioned Schemas
from NoSQL Databases

ALBERTO HERNANDEZ, University of Murcia

11h10 - 11h40

Break

11h40 - 12h10

A Modelling Platform to Support Power Plant
Life Cycle Management (PLM) for Nuclear
Engineering

LUDOVIC LOUIS-SIDNEY, EDF

JULIEN CHAMPEAU, EDF

Extensible Sirius Editors for the Palladio
Component Model

MISHA STRITTMATTER, Karlsruhe Institute of
Technology

12h15 - 12h45

Modelling Spacecraft On-board Software
with Sirius

ANDREAS JUNG, European Space Agency

V for Visualization in Viatra: The Good-old
Integration of Graphical and Textual
Representations

AKOS HORVATH, Inc Query Labs

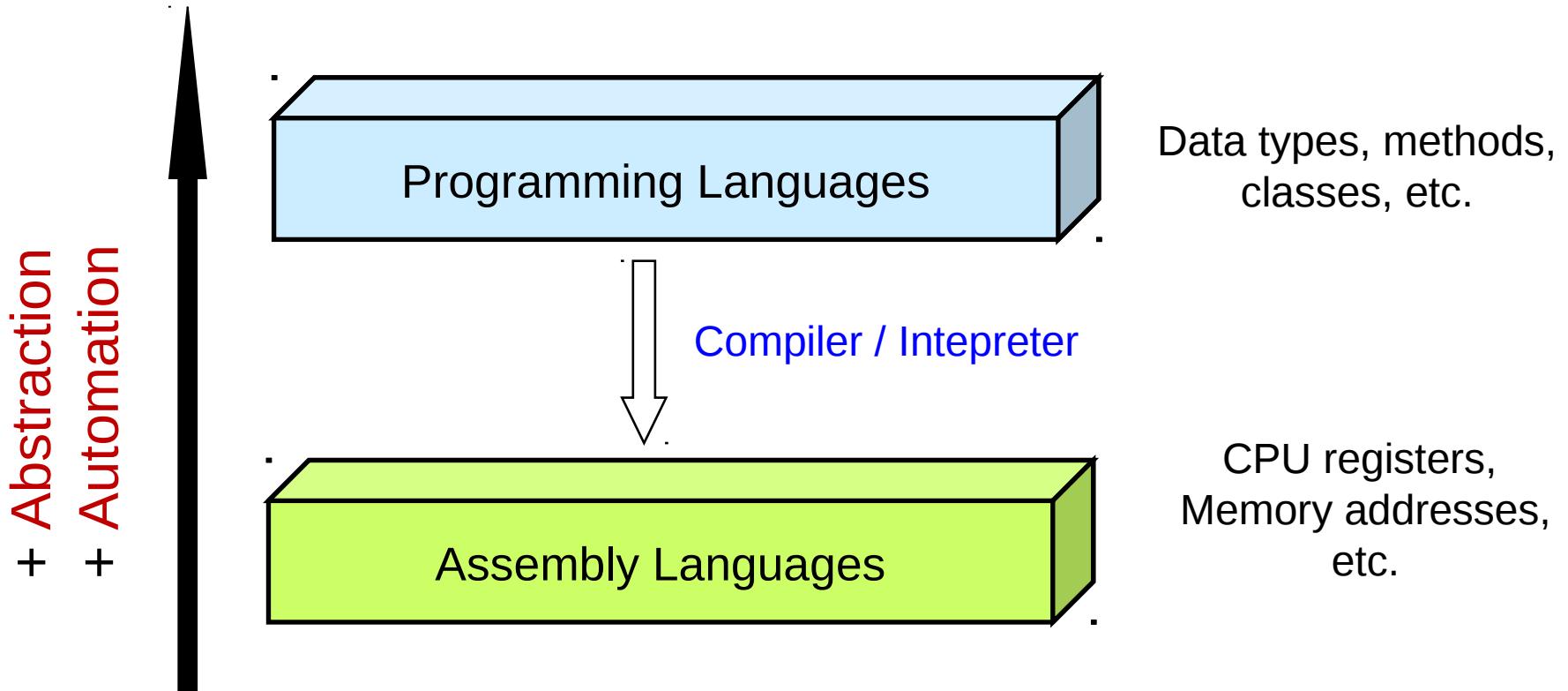


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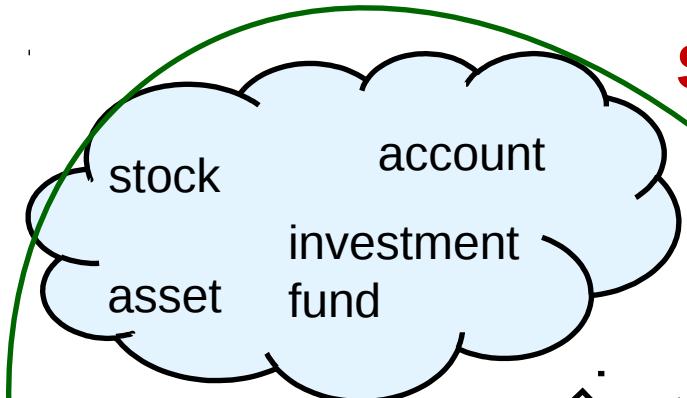
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EUGENIA y SIRIUS.”

Language Evolution

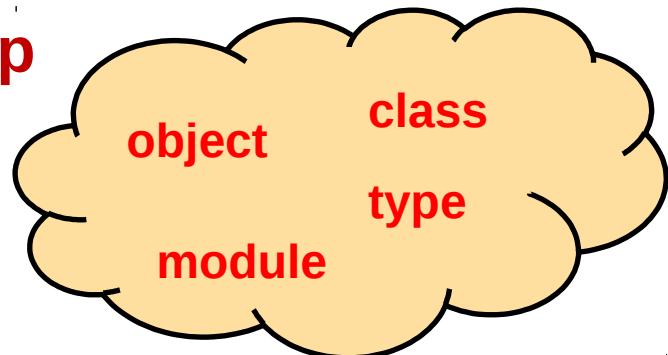


Problem domain



Semantic gap

Solution Domain

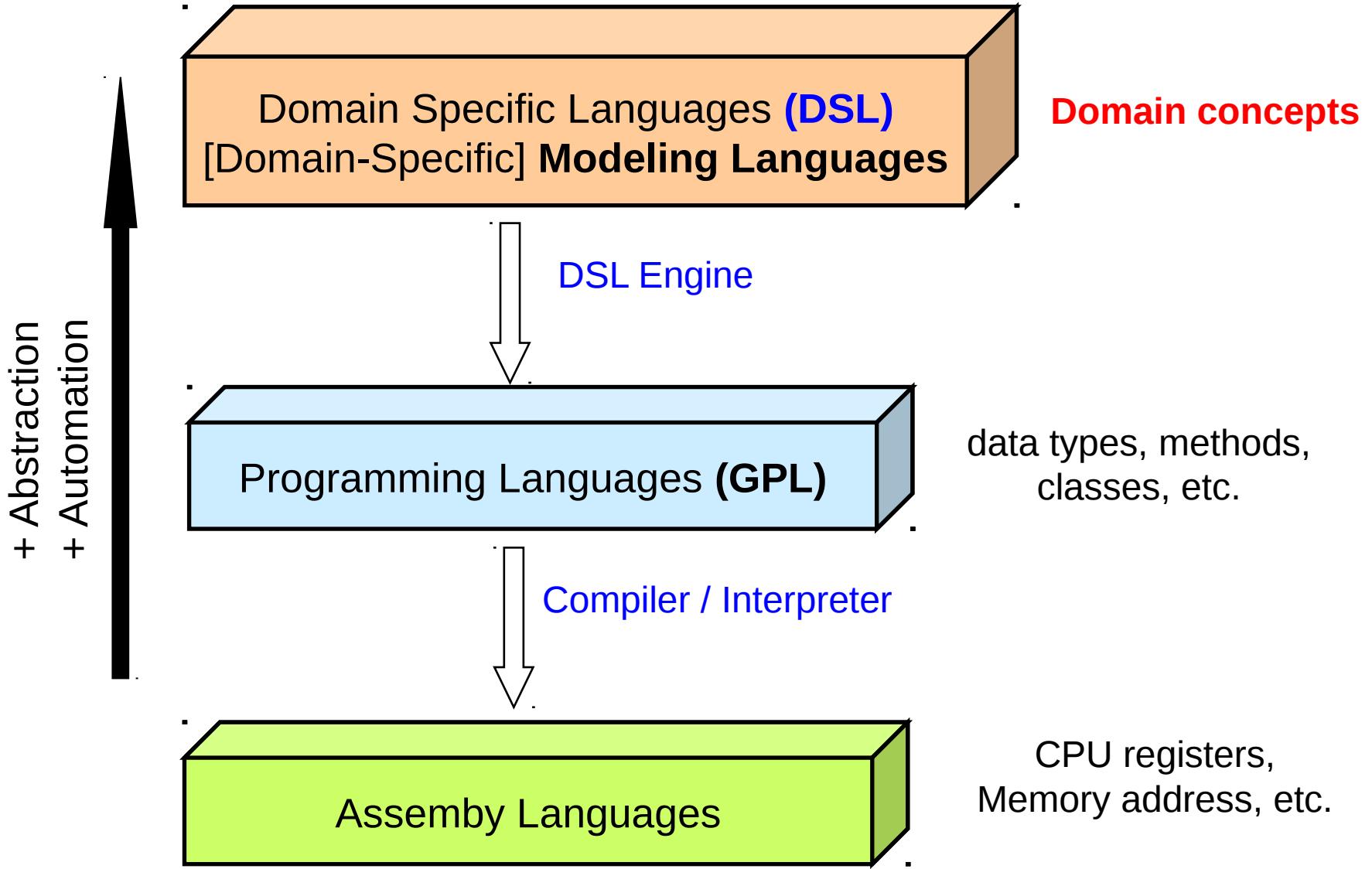


DSL code /
Modeling

Code Generation
(or interpretation)

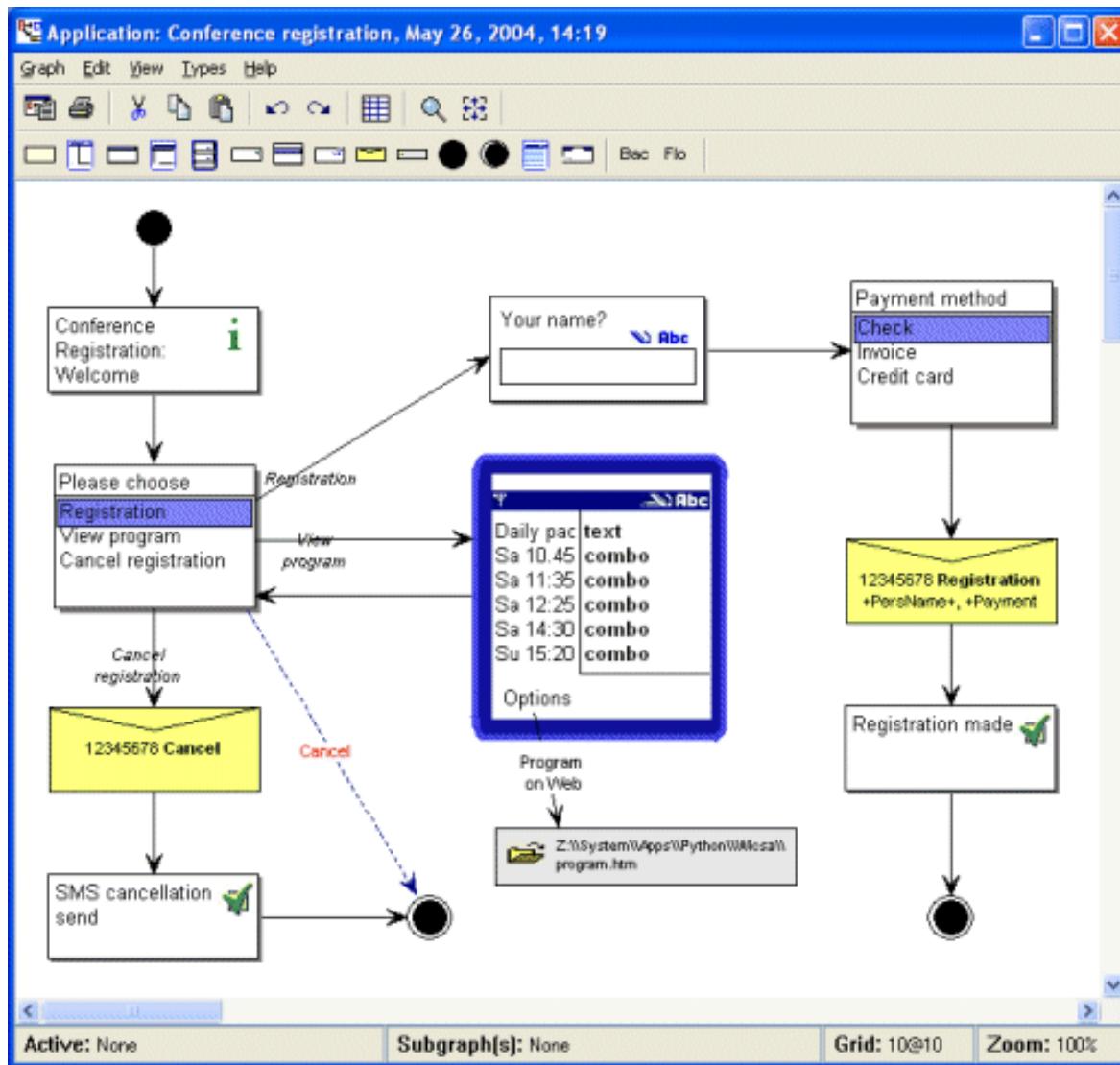
DSL Program
(Model)

DSLs provide a
common vocabulary

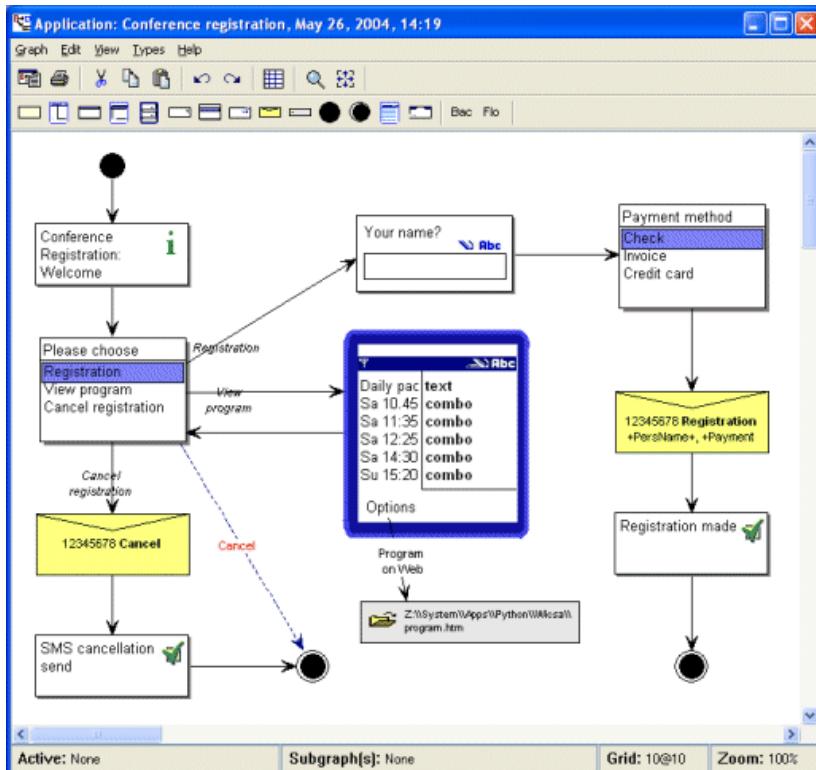


DSL to generate apps for smartphones

Nokia S60 (<http://dsmforum.org/phone.html>)



DSL Programs (Models)



```
Entity Cargo {  
    - TrackingId trackingId key  
    - Location origin required  
    - Location destination required  
    - Itinerary itinerary nullable opposite cargo  
    - Set<HandlingEvent> events  
  
Repository CargoRepository {  
    findByKey;  
    findAll;  
    save;  
    @TrackingId nextTrackingId;  
    protected findById;  
}  
  
BasicType TrackingId {  
    String identifier key  
}  
  
ValueObject Itinerary {  
    belongsTo Cargo  
    - Cargo cargo nullable opposite itinerary  
    - List<Leg> legs inverse  
}
```

DSL Definition

- A *Domain-Specific Language (DSL)* offers constructs and notation which is appropriate for solving problems in a particular application domain.

GPL vs. DSL ("DSL Engineering", Markus Voelter, 2012)

	GPLs	DSLs
Domain	large and complex	smaller and well-defined
Language size	large	small
Turing completeness	always	often not
User-defined abstractions	sophisticated	limited
Execution	via intermediate GPL	native
Lifespan	years to decades	months to years (driven by context)
Designed by	guru or committee	a few engineers and domain experts
User community	large, anonymous and widespread	small, accessible and local
Evolution	slow, often standardized	fast-paced
Deprecation/incompatible changes	almost impossible	feasible

DSL from early days of programming

- ⌚ SQL
- ⌚ GUI builder
- ⌚ HTML
- ⌚ make
- ⌚ YACC
- ⌚ Matlab
- ⌚ Mathematica
- ⌚ Excel
- ⌚ OCL
- ⌚ DOT/ GraphViz
- ⌚ Csound
- ⌚ WebUML
- ⌚ etc.

Activity area: Business, Domotic, Banking, Financial,..
Knowledge area: Graphs, Biomedical, Statistics...
Software area: Web, Mobile, Editors, Parsers,..

Finance

Health

Domotic

Video games

User Interface

Web Applications Frameworks

Data Persistence

Naturaleza de los DSL

Textual

Más extendidos y fáciles de crear

Gráfico

Diseño e implementación más costosos

Híbrido

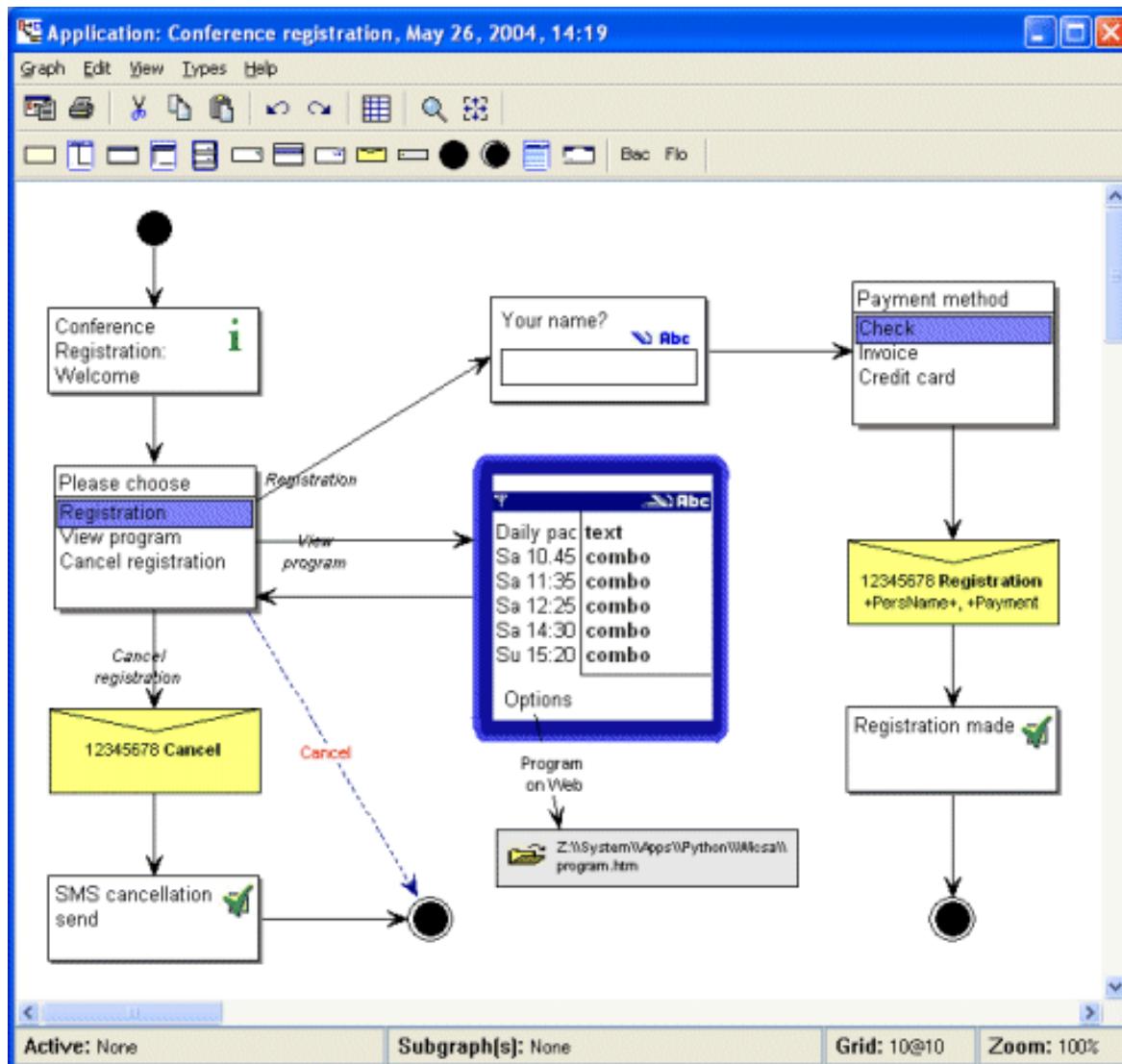
Son muy escasos

Tabular

Excel es un ejemplo

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Sculptor

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SCULPTOR



Sculptor is an open source productivity tool that applies the concepts from [Domain-Driven Design](#) and [Domain Specific Languages](#) for generating high quality Java code and configuration from a textual specification.

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Version 3.1.0

SCULPTOR (Generation of Java code)



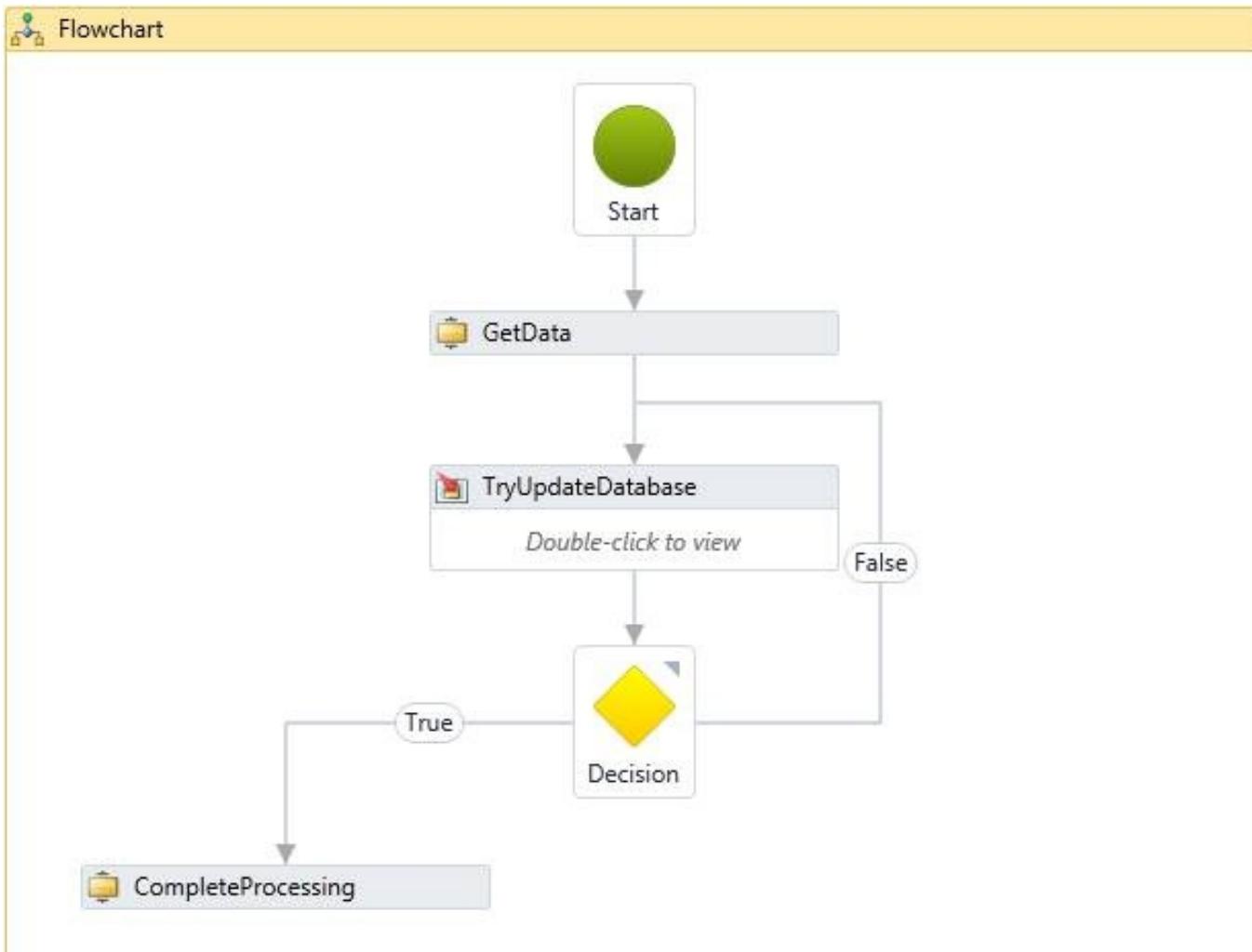
```
Entity Cargo {
    - TrackingId trackingId key
    - Location origin required
    - Location destination required
    - Itinerary itinerary nullable opposite cargo
    - Set<HandlingEvent> events

    Repository CargoRepository {
        findByKey;
        findAll;
        save;
        @TrackingId nextTrackingId;
        protected findById;
    }
}

BasicType TrackingId {
    String identifier key
}

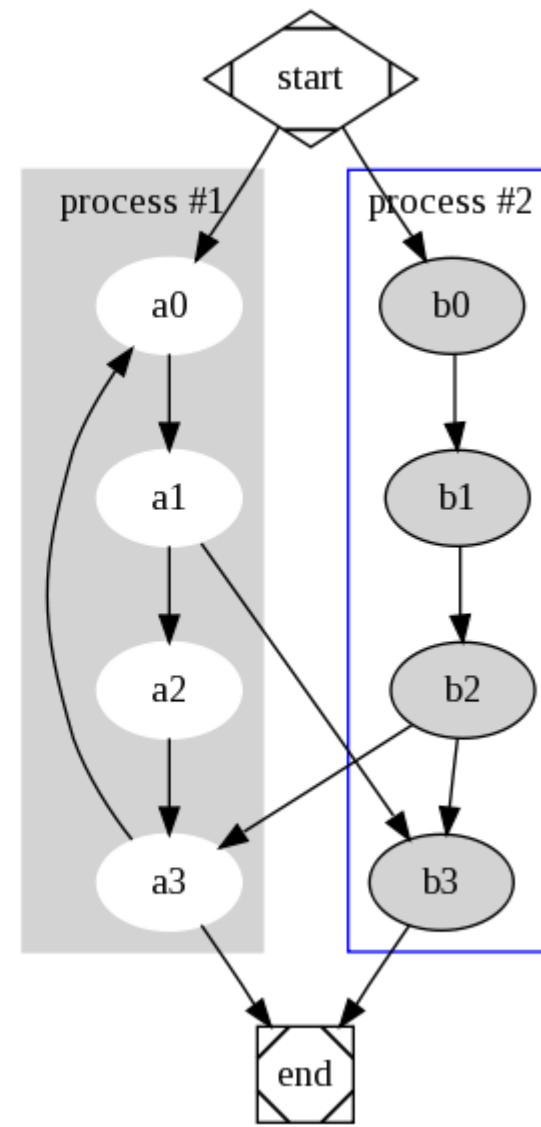
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    - Cargo cargo nullable opposite itinerary
    - List<Leg> legs inverse
}
```

Windows Workflows Foundation (WF)



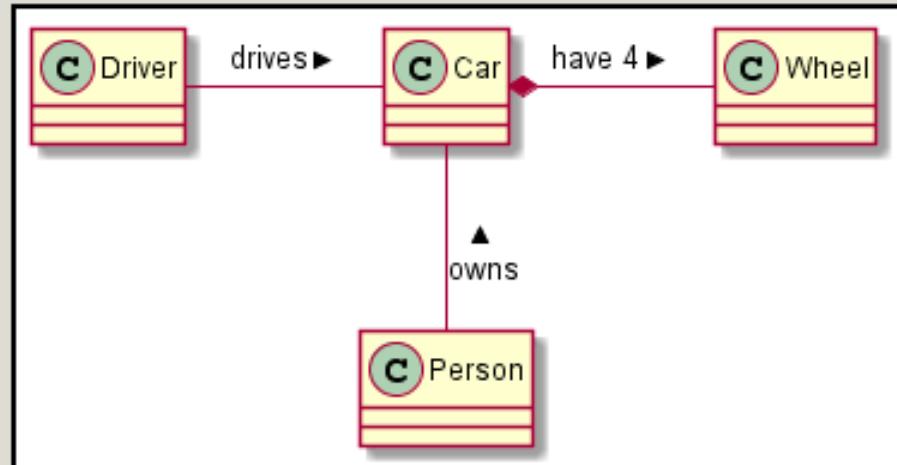
DOT/Graphviz (graph visualization)

```
digraph G {  
  
    subgraph cluster_0 {  
        style=filled;  
        color=lightgrey;  
        node [style=filled,color=white];  
        a0 -> a1 -> a2 -> a3;  
        label = "process #1";  
    }  
  
    subgraph cluster_1 {  
        node [style=filled];  
        b0 -> b1 -> b2 -> b3;  
        label = "process #2";  
        color=blue  
    }  
    start -> a0;  
    start -> b0;  
    a1 -> b3;  
    b2 -> a3;  
    a3 -> a0;  
    a3 -> end;  
    b3 -> end;  
  
    start [shape=Mdiamond];  
    end [shape=Msquare];  
}
```



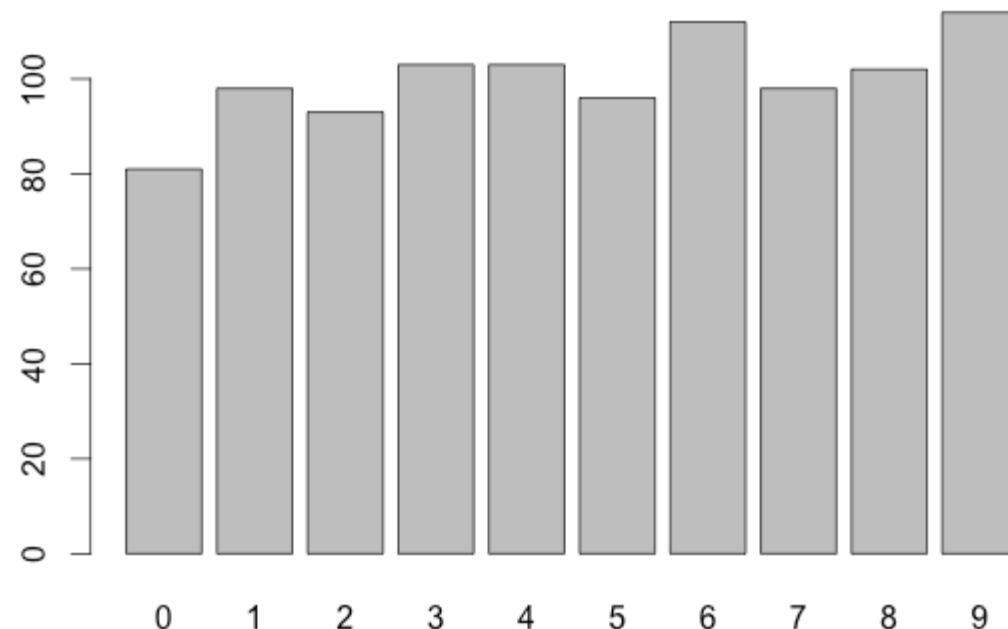
PlantUML (generation of Graphviz code for representing UML diagrams)

```
@startuml  
class Car  
  
Driver -> Car : drives >  
Car *-- Wheel : have 4 >  
Car --> Person : < owns  
  
@enduml
```



Lenguaje R (Statistical computing)

```
n <- floor(runif(1000)*10)
t <- table(n)
barplot(t)
```



BioDSL

Bioinformatics Domain Specific Language

[View on GitHub](#)[Download .zip](#)[Download .tar.gz](#)

BioDSL (pronounced Biodesel) is a Domain Specific Language for creating bioinformatic analysis workflows. A workflow may consist of several pipelines and each pipeline consists of a series of steps such as reading in data from a file, processing the data in some way, and writing data to a new file.

Getting started

BioDSL is implemented in Ruby making use of Ruby's powerful metaprogramming facilities. Thus, a workflow is basically a Ruby script containing one or more pipelines.

Here is a test script with a single pipeline that reads all FASTA entries from the file `input.fna`, selects all records with a sequence ending in `ATC`, and writing those records as FASTA entries to the file `output.fna`:

```
#!/usr/bin/env ruby

require 'BioDSL'

BD.new.
read_fasta(input: "input.fna").
grab(select: "ATC$", keys: :SEQ).
write_fasta(output: "output.fna").
run
```

DSL embedded into Ruby

https://cucumber.io/docs/reference

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Gherkin

Step Definitions

Hooks

Command line

Reports

Report attachments

Browser Automation

Databases and State

This is the general reference for all Cucumber implementations. Please refer to the documentation over at [cucumber.io](#) for links to platform-specific documentation.

Take our
We'll send you the

Gherkin

Cucumber executes your `.feature` files, and those files contain executable specifications written in a language called Gherkin.

Gherkin is plain-text English (or one of 60+ other languages) with a little extra structure. Gherkin is designed to be easy to learn by non-programmers, yet structured enough to allow concise description of examples to illustrate business rules in most real-world domains.

Here is a sample Gherkin document:

Feature: Refund item

```
Scenario: Jeff returns a faulty microwave
  Given Jeff has bought a microwave for $100
  And he has a receipt
  When he returns the microwave
  Then Jeff should be refunded $100
```

In Gherkin, each line that isn't blank has to start with a Gherkin keyword, followed by any text you like. The main keywords are:

Cucumber (acceptance tests, <https://cucumber.io/>)

```
# feature/hello_cucumber.feature
Feature: Hello Cucumber
As a product manager
I want our users to be greeted when they visit our site
So that they have a better experience

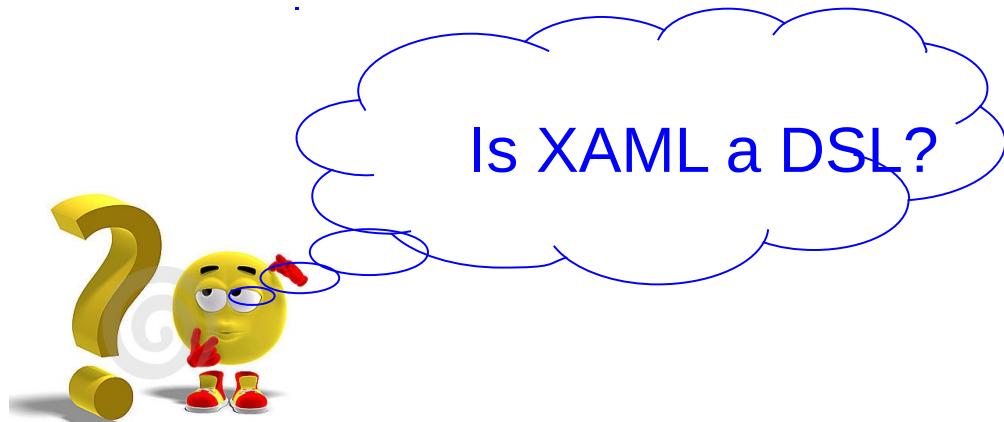
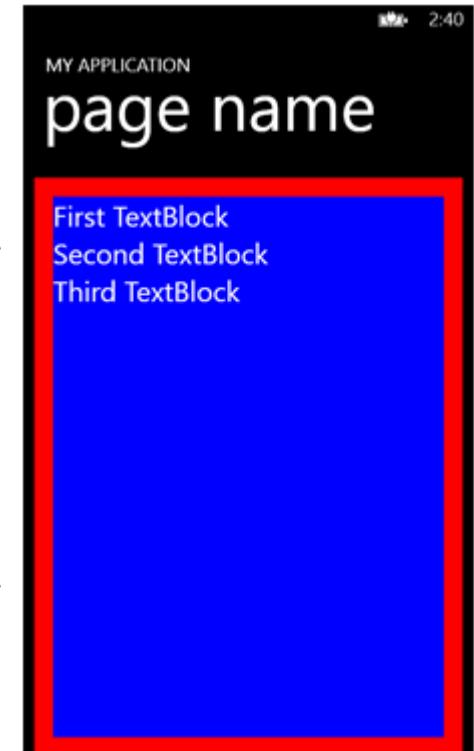
Scenario: User sees the welcome message
When I go to the homepage
Then I should see the welcome message
```

DSL embedded into Ruby

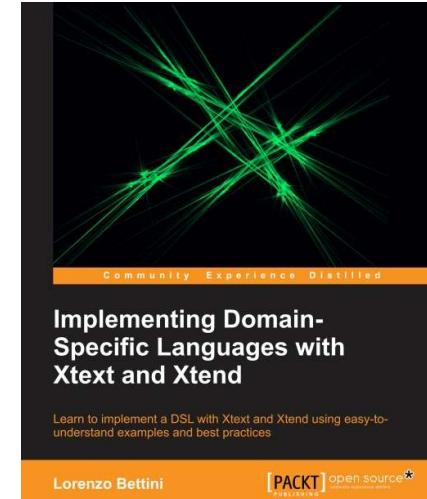
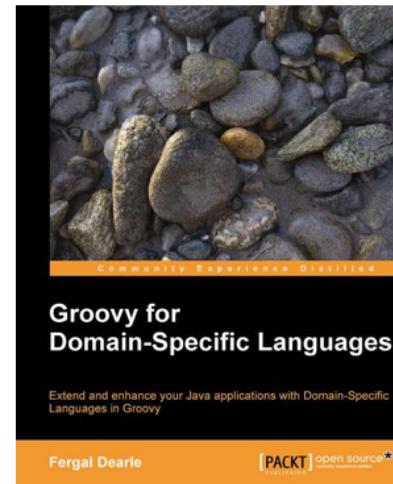
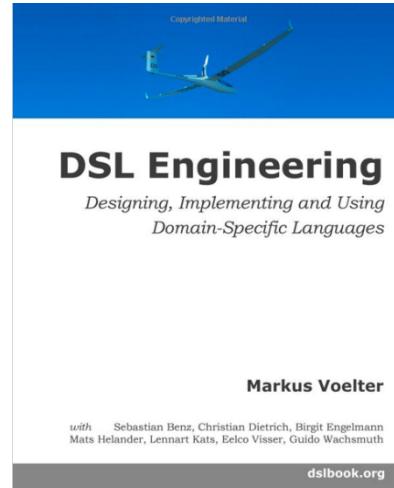
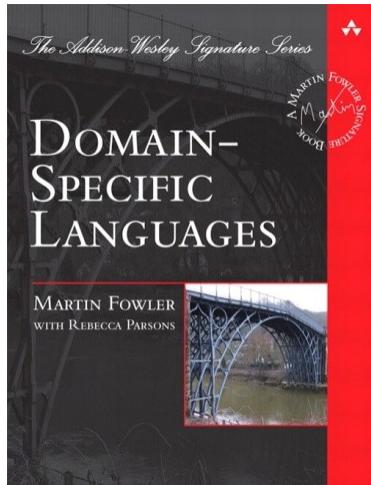
XAML (Extensible Application Markup Language)

XAML

```
<Grid x:Name="ContentPanel" Background="Red" Grid.Row="1" Margin="12,0,12,0">
  <StackPanel Margin="20" Background="Blue" >
    <TextBlock Name="firstTextBlock" FontSize="30">First TextBlock</TextBlock>
    <TextBlock Name="secondTextBlock" FontSize="30">Second TextBlock</TextBlock>
    <TextBlock Name="thirdTextBlock" FontSize="30">Third TextBlock</TextBlock>
  </StackPanel>
</Grid>
```

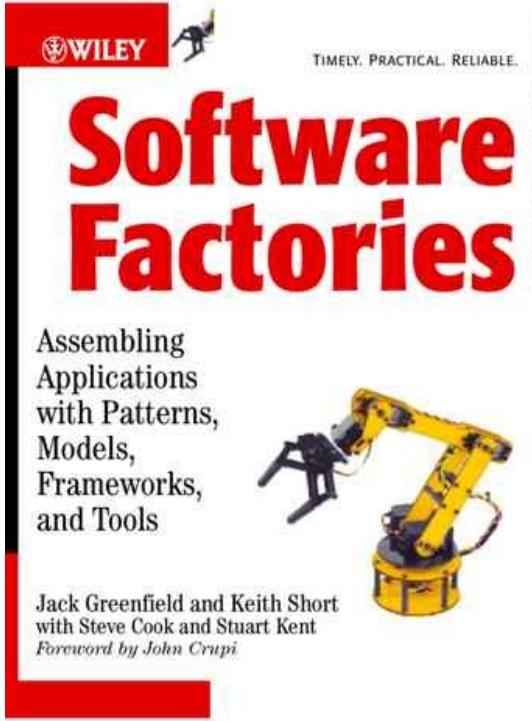


But academic and industrial **interest** in DSL
has increased significantly over the last 10 years



+ books + tools + research articles + DSL created

Jack Greenfield (2004)



- “We think that the **latitude afforded by GPLs is needed only for a small part** of the typical business application. Most of the work can be made faster, cheaper, and less risky by using constrained configuration mechanisms like setting properties, wizards, features models, **MDE**, and patterns”
- “Just as moving from assembly language to GPLs yields significant benefits for ... **there is much more benefit to be gained by moving to even higher levels of abstractions (DSLs)**”

Sergey Dmitriev (2004)



november 2004

Language Oriented Programming: The Next Programming Paradigm

Sergey Dmitriev, JetBrains

It is time to begin the next technology revolution in software development, and the shape of this revolution is becoming more and more clear. The next programming paradigm is nearly upon us. It is not yet fully formed – different parts have different names: Intentional programming, MDA, generative programming, etc. I suggest uniting all of these new approaches under one name, ‘language-oriented programming’, and this article explains the main principles of this new programming paradigm.

Today’s mainstream approach to programming has some crucial built-in assumptions which hold us back like chains around our necks, though most programmers don’t realize this. With all the progress made so far in programming, we are still in the Stone Age. We’ve got our trusty stone axe (object-oriented programming), which serves us well, but tends to chip and crack when used against the hardest problems. To advance beyond stone, we must tame fire. Only then can we forge new tools and spark a new age of invention and an explosion of new technologies.

I’m talking about the limitations of programming which force the programmer to think like the computer rather than having the computer think more like the programmer. These are serious, deeply-ingrained limitations which will take a lot of effort to overcome. I’m not being pretentious when I say that this will be the next big paradigm shift in programming. We will need to completely redefine the way we write programs.

In this article, I present my view and my current work toward Language Oriented Programming (LOP). First I will show what is wrong with mainstream programming today, then I’ll explain the concept of LOP by using the example of my existing implementation, the Meta Programming System (MPS). This article is intended to give you a bird’s-eye-view of LOP, to spark interest in the idea, and hopefully to generate feedback and discussion.

“Any general-purpose language, like Java or C++, gives us the ability to do anything we want with a computer. This is true, at least in theory anyway, but **GPLs tend to be unproductive** as I will explore later.

Alternatively, **we could use DSL**, which are tailored to be highly productive in a specific problem domain, such as SQL for writing database queries.”

Sergey Dmitriev (2004)



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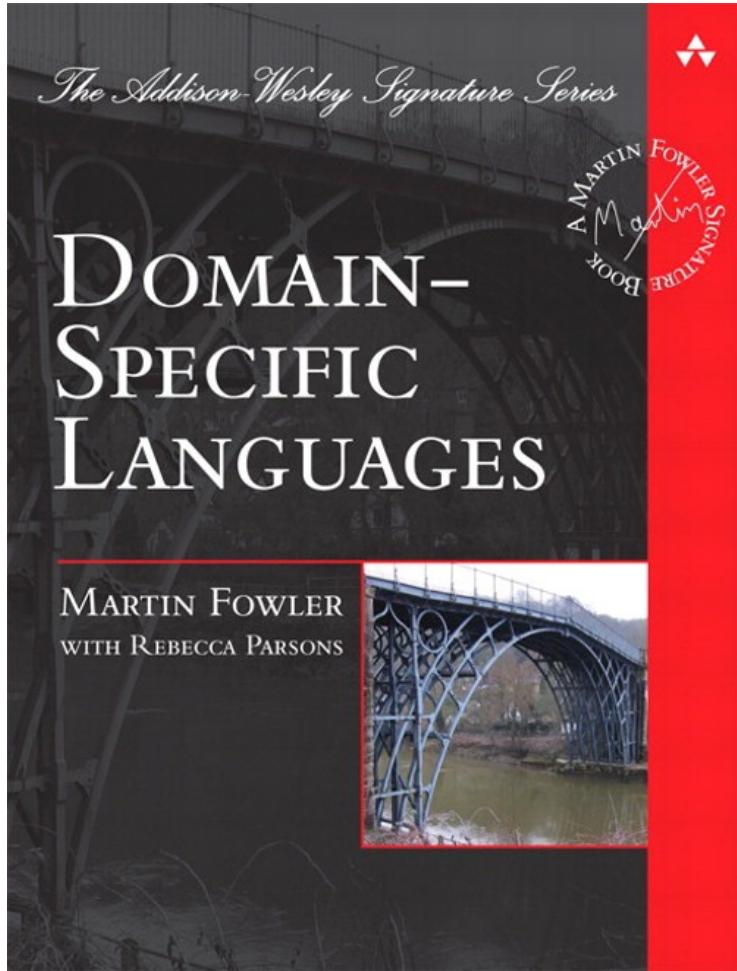
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"It's not a question of general-purpose versus domain-specific. **I want all freedoms.** I want to be able to do anything, and also be highly productive at the same time. There aren't any good ways to do this yet. **Ideally, I would be able to use different languages for each specialized part of the program, all working together coherently.** And the **environment would fully support these languages** with refactoring, code completion, navigation, and all the other productivity tools that are available for mainstream languages."

Martin Fowler (2010)



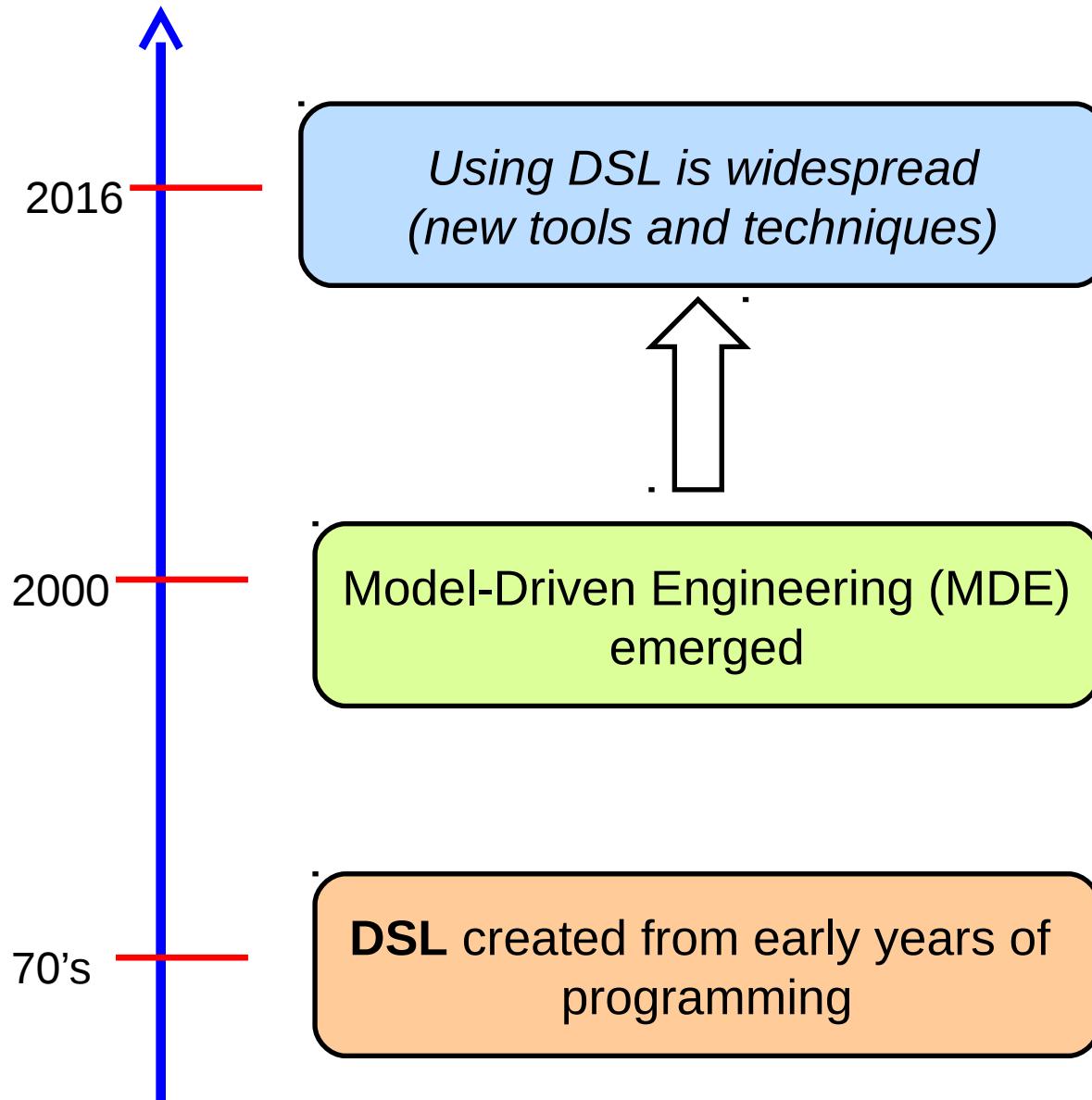
- The interest is increasing due to the **framework and XML-intensive software development**.
- Metamodeling-based **DSL definition tools** will play an important role in the near future.

Martin Fowler

- “DSLs have been a part of the computing landscape since before I got into programming”
- “I saw people **using XML where a custom syntax** would be more readable and not harder to do. I saw people **bending Ruby into complicated contortions when a custom syntax** would be easier. I saw people playing around with **parsers when a fluent interface** in their regular interface would be a lot less work.

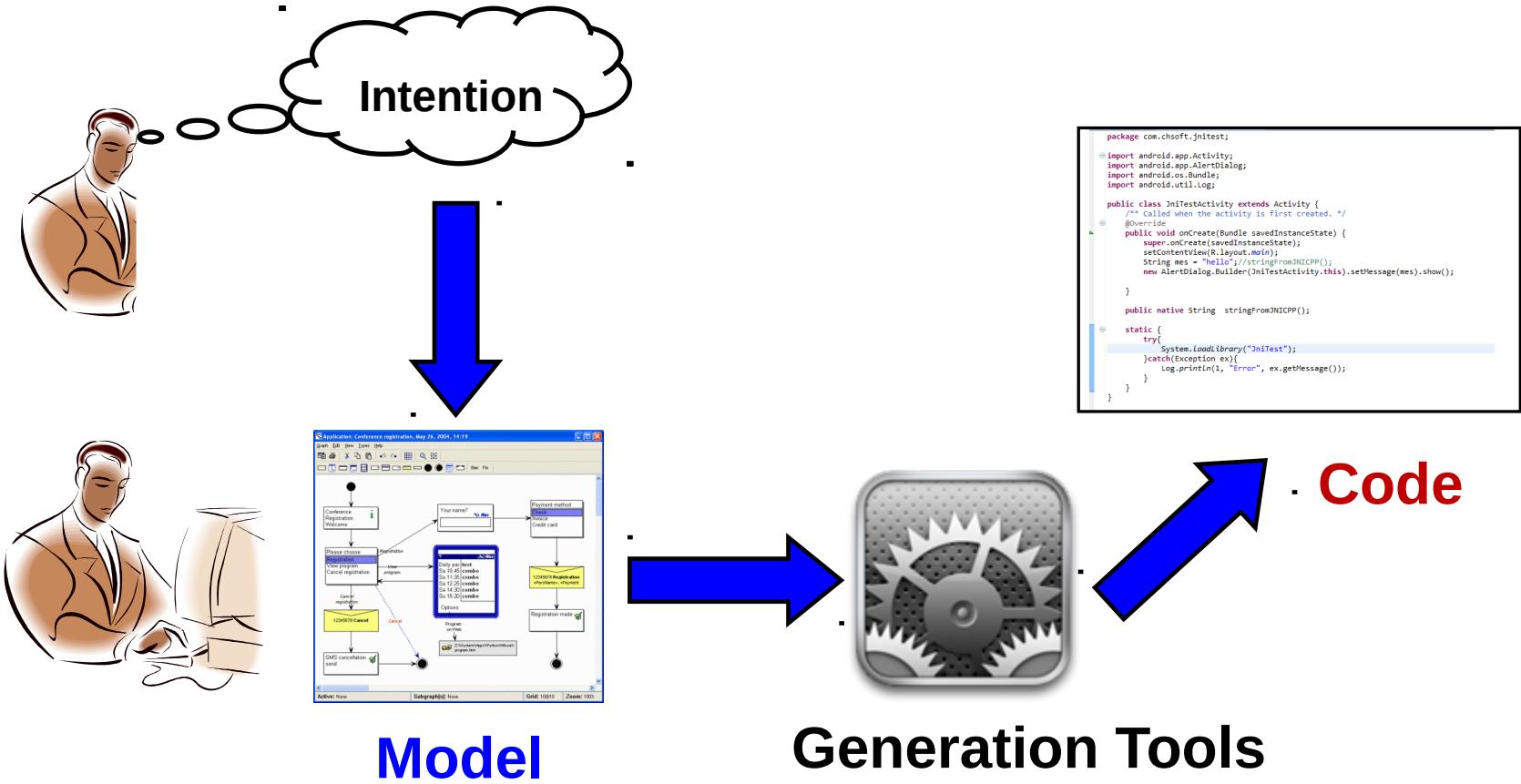
My hypothesis is that these things are happening because of a knowledge gap. **Skilled programmers don't know enough about DSL** techniques to make an informed decision about which ones to use. That's the kind of gap I enjoy trying to fill.”

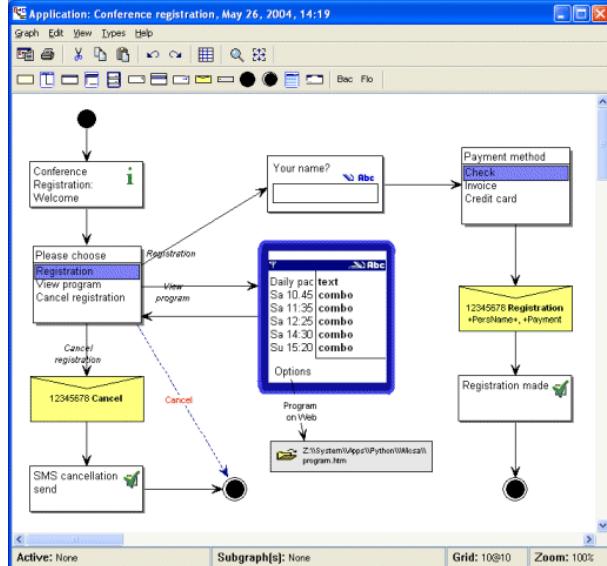
(Martin Fowler, “Domain-Specific Languages, Addison-Wesley, 2010)



Model-Driven Software Engineering (MDE)

Systematic using of **models** in the stages of the software development life cycle in order to increase the levels of **abstraction** and **automation**.





DSL Nokia

- Effort
- + Legibility
- + Communication
- Errors
- Maintenance

One or more transformations

Automatic code generation

<<conforms>>

**Metamodel DSL
Nokia**

MDE Solution

Código C++

Framework aplicaciones móviles

Plataforma

The State of Practice in Model-Driven Engineering

Jon Whittle, John Hutchinson, and Mark Rouncefield,
Lancaster University

//Despite lively debate over the past decade on the benefits and drawbacks of model-driven engineering (MDE), there have been few industry-wide studies of MDE in practice. A new study that surveyed 450 MDE practitioners and performed in-depth interviews with 22 more suggests that although MDE might be more widespread than commonly believed, developers rarely use it to generate whole systems. Rather, they apply MDE to develop key parts of a system. //

of course, but it did lead to a resurgence of activity in the area as well as hotly contested debates between proponents and detractors of model-driven approaches.¹

Many years later, there remains a lack of clarity on whether model-driven engineering (MDE) is a good way to develop software (see the “What Is MDE, Anyway?” sidebar). Some companies have reported great success with it, whereas others have failed horribly. What’s missing is an industry-wide, independent study of MDE in practice, highlighting the factors that lead to success or failure. Although there have been a few prior surveys of modeling in industry, they’ve focused on only one aspect of modeling, such as the use of UML² or formal models.³

In this article, we report on a new study of MDE practice that covers a broad range of experiences. In particular, we focus on identifying MDE’s success and failure factors. We surveyed 450 MDE practitioners and interviewed 22 more from 17 different companies representing 9 different industrial sectors (see the “Methods” sidebar for more information on the particulars). The study reflects a wide range of maturity levels with MDE: questionnaire respondents were equally split among those in early exploration phases, those carrying out their first MDE project, and those with many years’ experience with MDE. Interviewees were typically very experienced with MDE.



Perhaps surprisingly, the majority of MDE examples in our study followed domain-specific modeling paradigms: the companies who successfully applied MDE largely did so by creating or using languages specifically developed for their domain, rather than using UML.

It's common to develop small domain-specific languages (DSLs) for narrow, well-understood domains. In contrast to perceived wisdom practical application of domain modeling is "quick and dirty," where DSLs (and accompanying generators) can be developed sometimes in as little as two weeks. There's also widespread use of mini-DSLs, even within a single project.

A clear challenge, then, is how to integrate multiple DSLs.

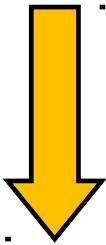
Our participants tended to use them in combination with UML—in some cases, the DSL was a UML profile. Whatever the context, however, modeling languages requires significant customization before the languages can be applied in practice.

MDE



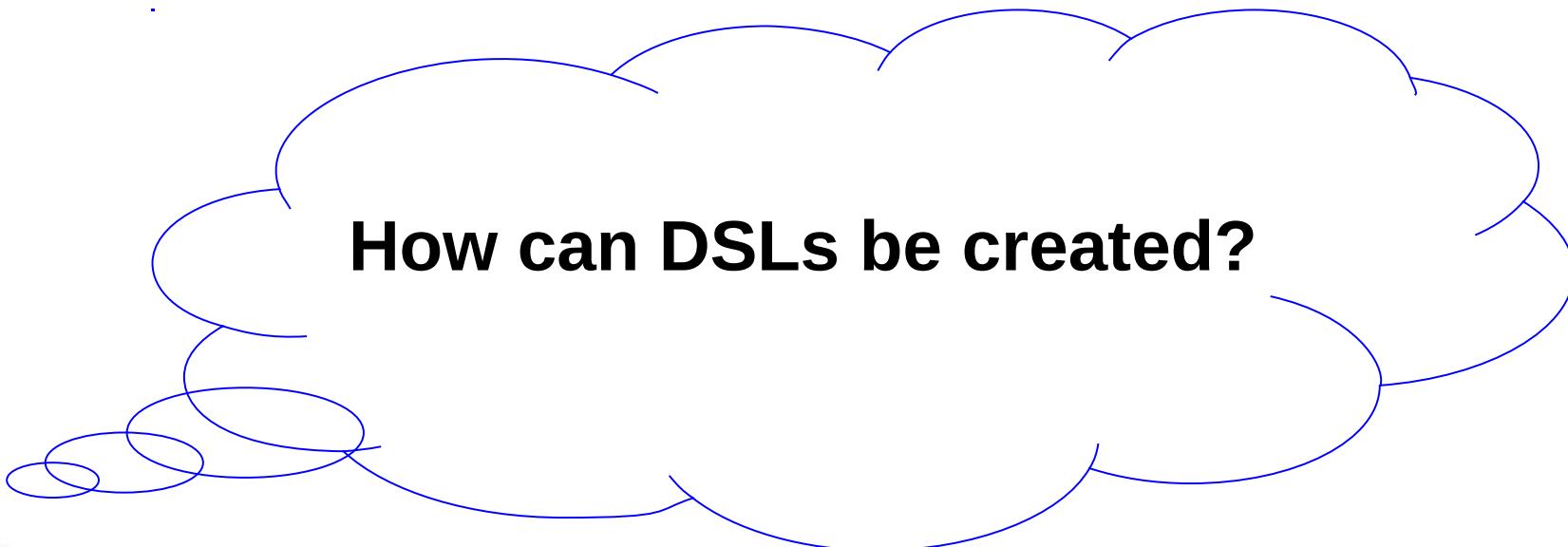
~~MDA = MDE~~

Profile mechanism
to create graphical DSLs



MDE

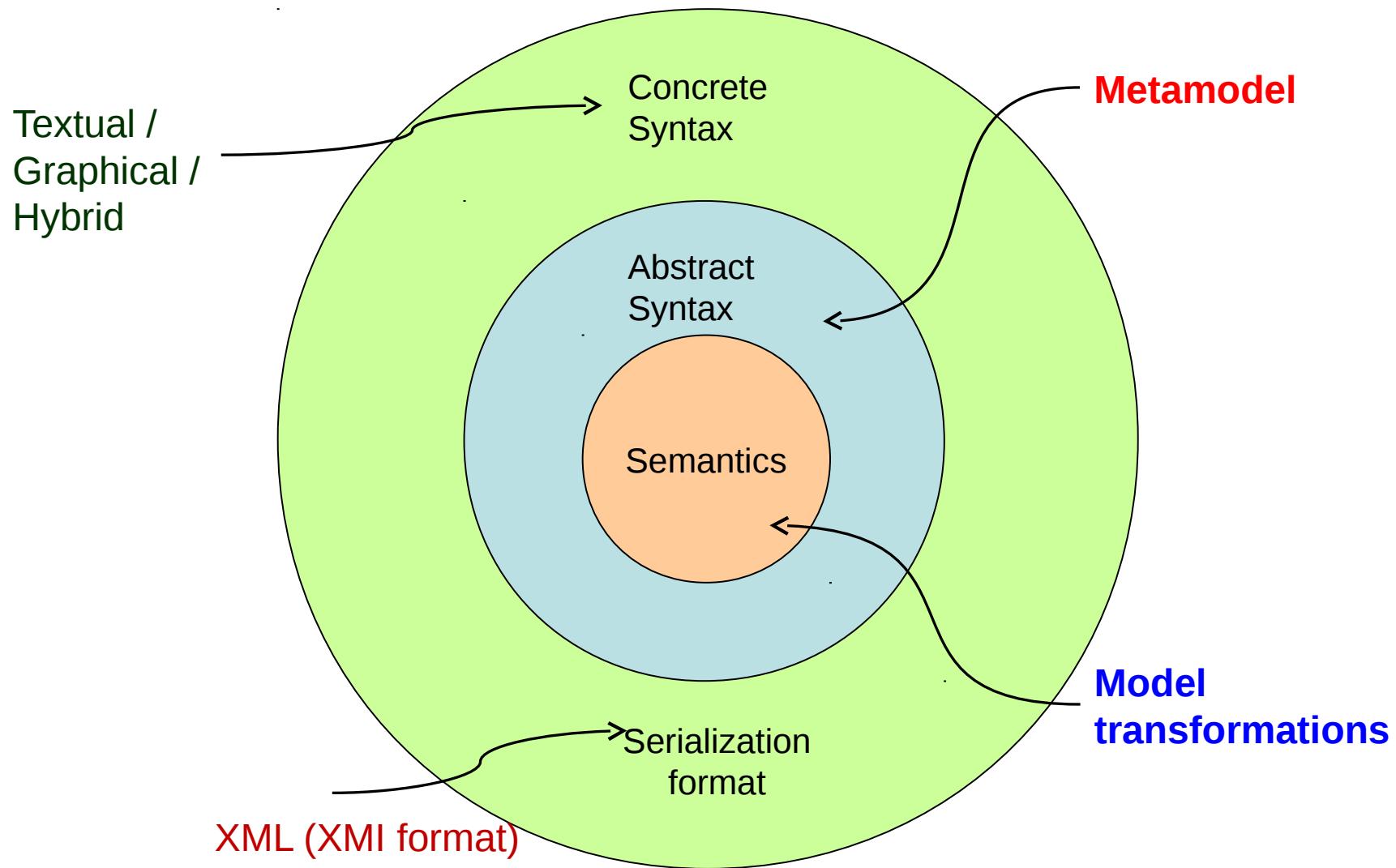
UML profiles are not
recommended



How can DSLs be created?



DSL elements



Running example: Entity models



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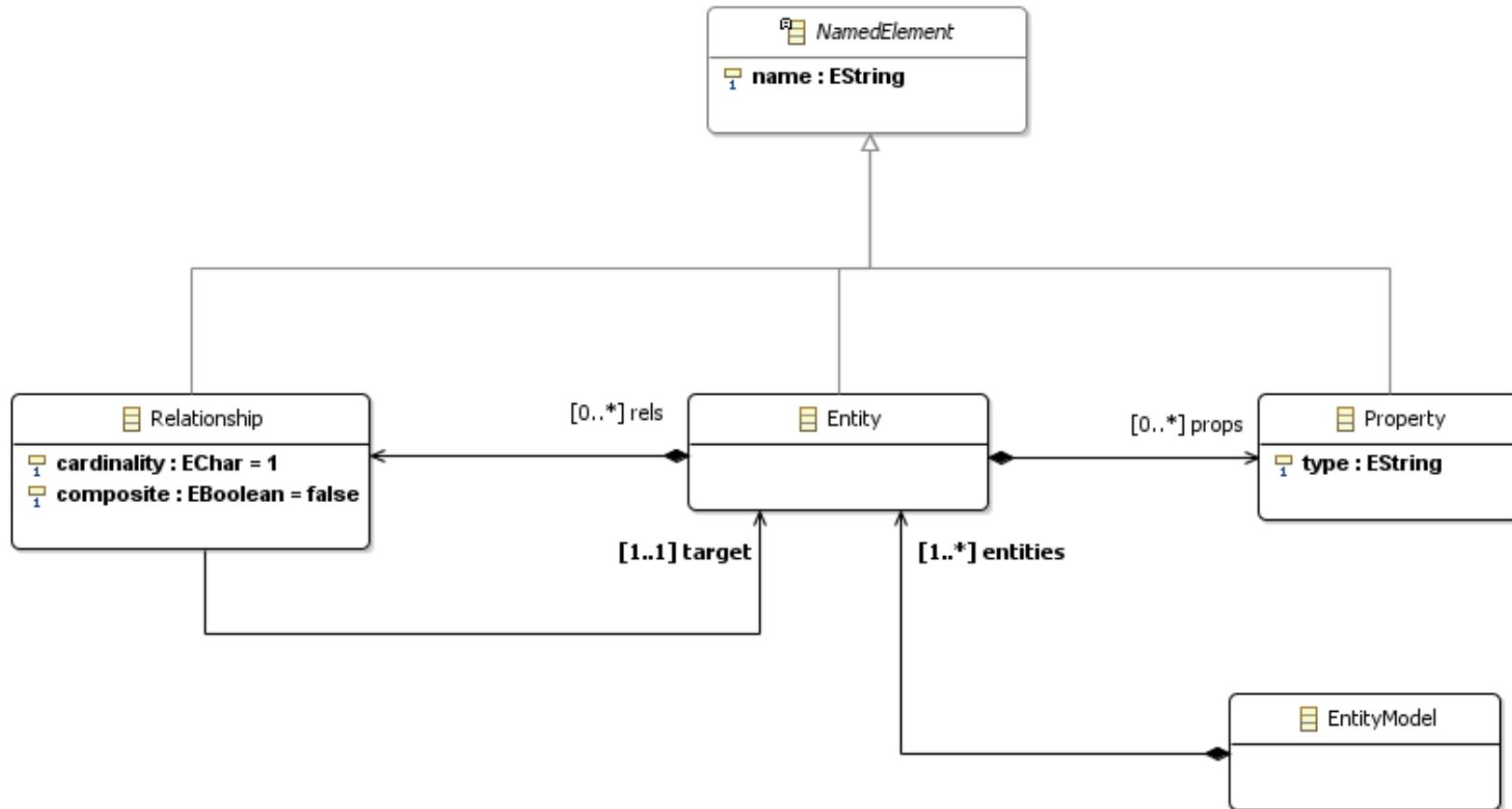
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model 'Bank' {

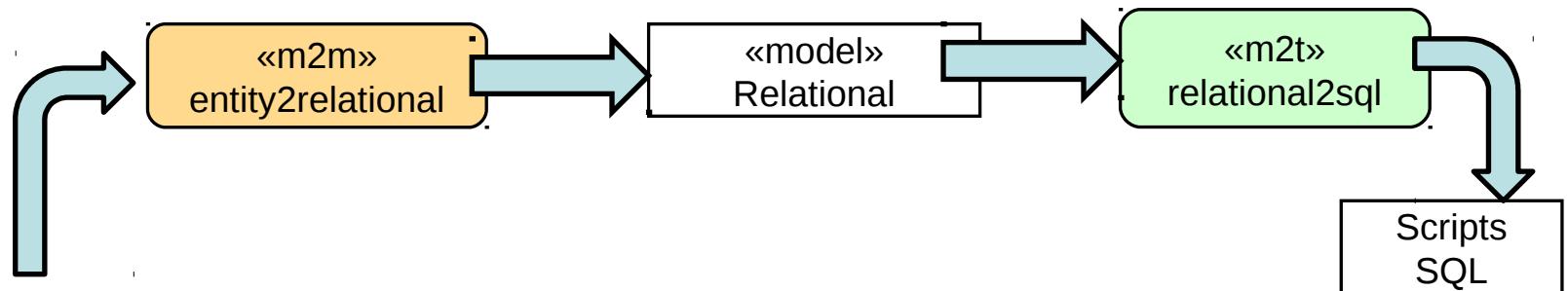
    entity 'Account' {
        attr String number;
        attr Integer amount;
        ref Customer[+] holders;
        val Transaction[*] transactions;
    }

    entity 'Customer' {
        attr String name;
        attr Integer amount;
        ref Account[+] accounts;
    }

    entity 'Transaction' {
        attr Date date;
        attr Integer amount;
    }
}
```

Running example: Entity metamodel

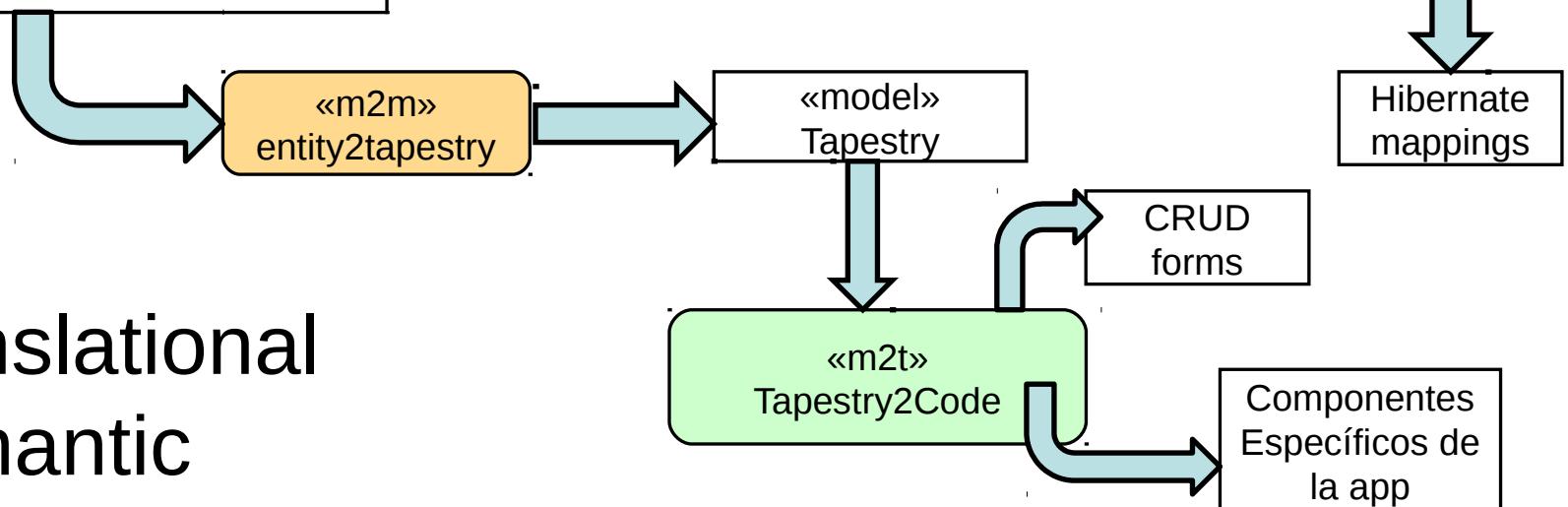
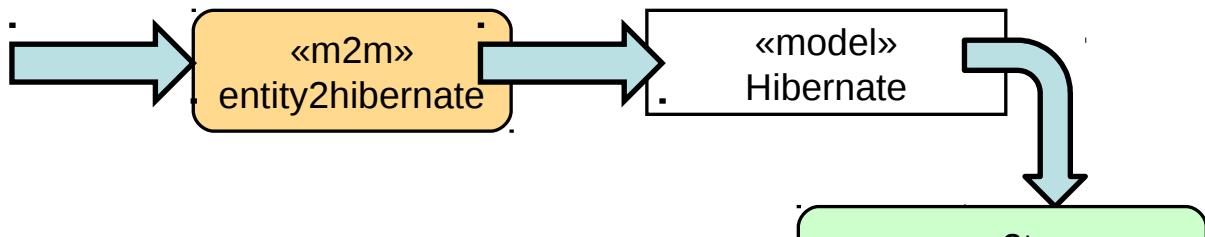




```

model facturaDemo;

entity Factura {
    ref cliente[1] : Cliente;
    ref partes [] container : Item;
    attr fecha[1] : Date;
    attr total [1] : Float;
}
entity Item {
    attr descripcion [1] : String ;
    attr cantidad [1] : Integer;
    attr precio [1] : Float;
}
entity Cliente {
    attr name[1] : String ;
}
  
```



Translational Semantic

DSL implementation techniques

External

- ↪ Created from scratch

Internal
(Embedded and
Fluent-API)

- ↪ Embedded into a dynamically typed language.
- ↪ Definition of an API to facilitate coding and legibility.

*Metamodel-based tools
(Language Workbench)*

- ↪ IDEs for the DSL definition and the generation of tooling needed to use them.

DSL embedded into Ruby

```
model 'Bank' {  
  
  entity 'Account' {  
    attr String number;  
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    ref Customer[+] holders;  
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  }  
  
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    attr Integer amount;  
    ref Account[+] accounts;  
  }  
  
  entity 'Transaction' {  
    attr Date date;  
    attr Integer amount;  
  }  
}
```



Fluent-API

Method chaining

```
public static void main(String[] args) {  
    EntityModel entidad = EntityModelBuilder  
        .entityModel()  
            .entity()  
                .name("Account")  
                .property()  
                    .name("number")  
                    .type("String")  
                .propertyEnd()  
                .property()  
                    .name("amount")  
                    .type("double")  
                .propertyEnd()  
                .relationship()  
                    .name("holders")  
                    .cardinality('+')  
                    .composite(false)  
                    .target("Customer")  
                .relationshipEnd()  
            .entityEnd()  
        .endModel(); }
```

Metamodel-based DSL workbench

- IDEs for developing DSLs
 - Parser, injector, generator and editor are automatically generated from a metamodel-based specification

"I think that language workbenches have a remarkable potential. If they fulfill this they could entirely change the face of software development. Yet this potential, however profound, is still somewhat in the future."

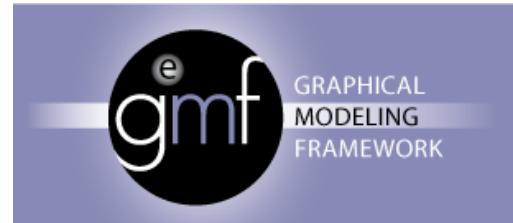
(M. Fowler)

- Workbenches for **textual DSL**
 - Xtext, MPS y EMFText
- Workbenches for **graphical DSL**
 - Sirius and GMF/Eugenia (Eclipse), MetaEdit+ (Metacase), DSL Tools (Microsoft)

Textual Workbenches



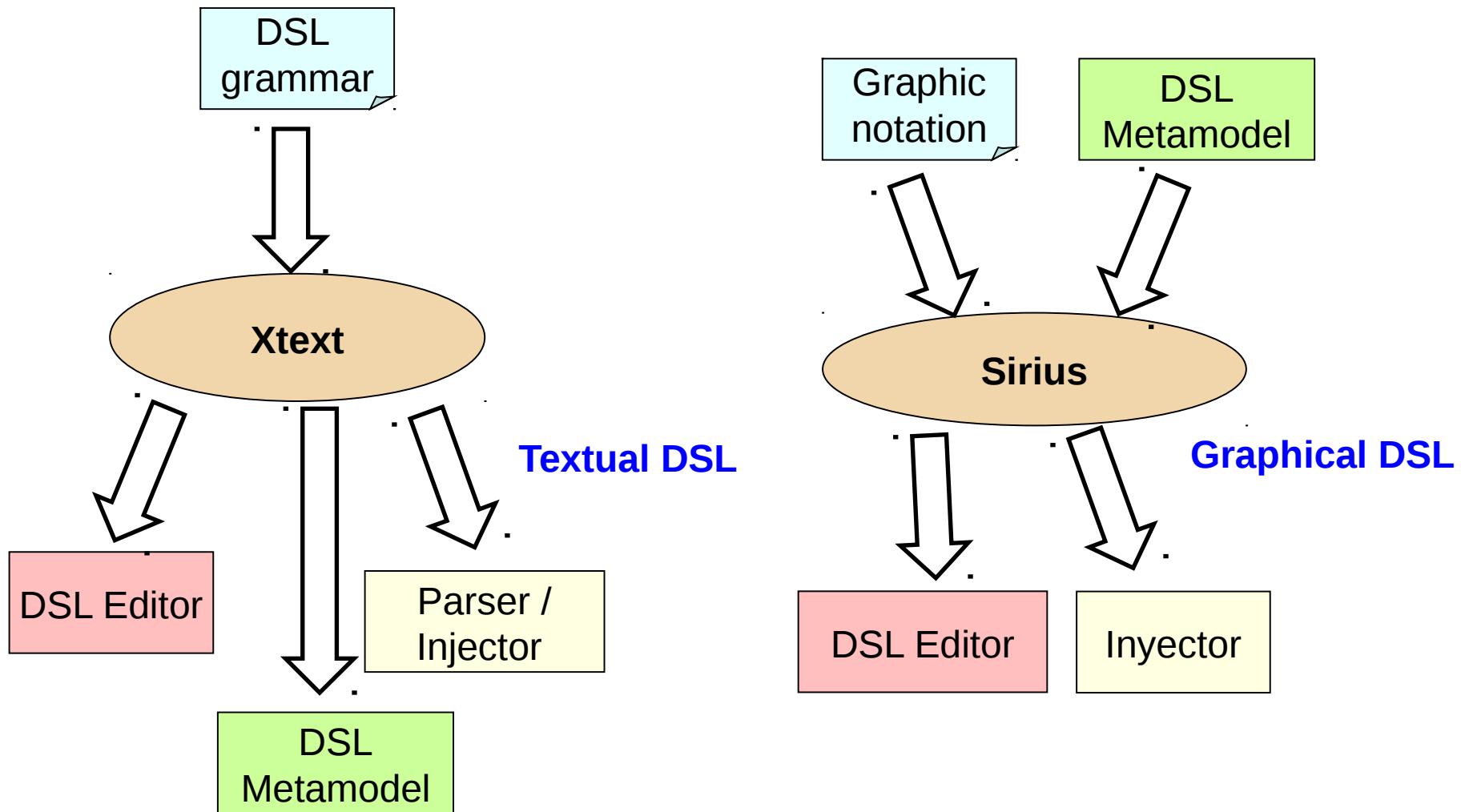
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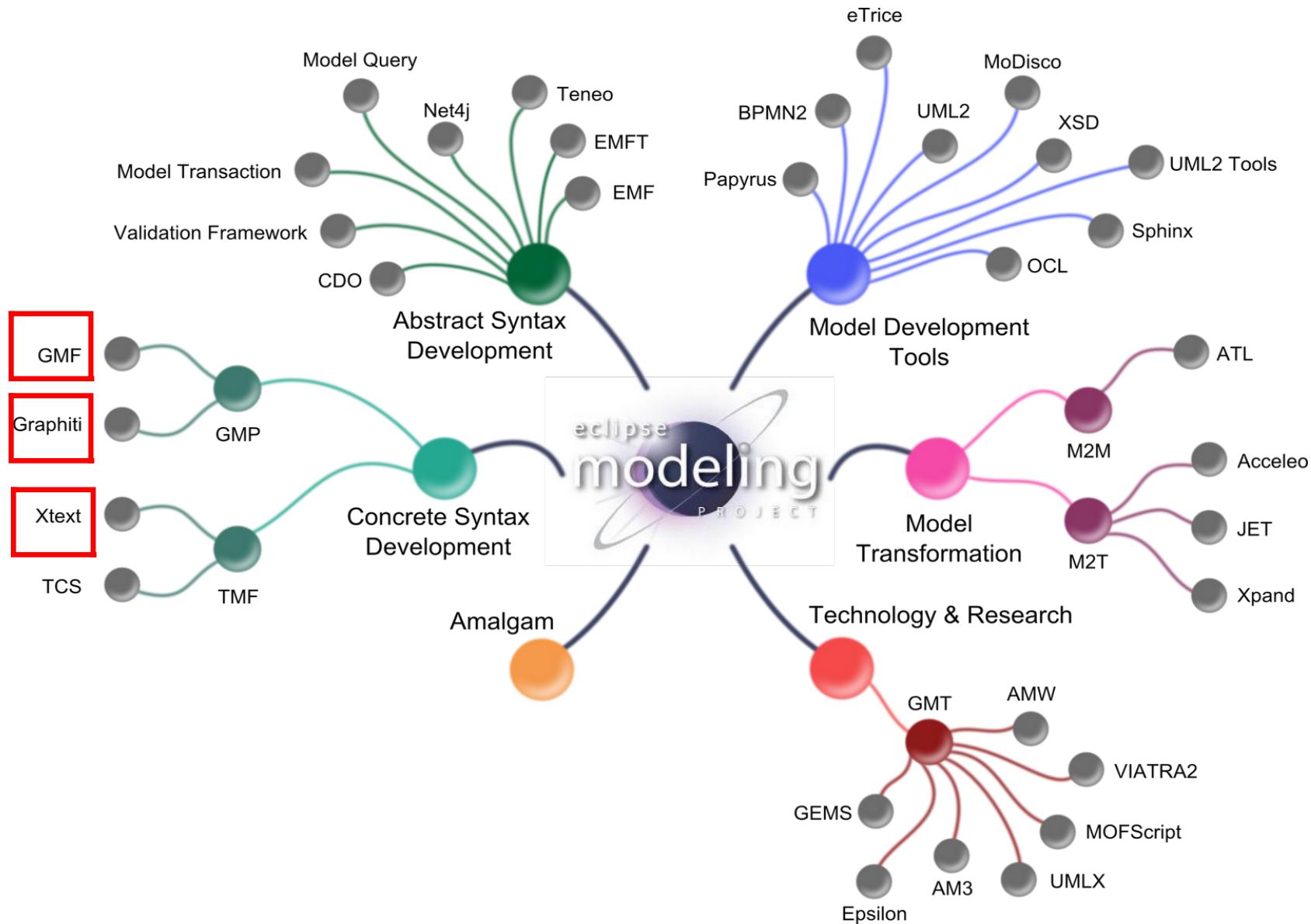
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DSL Workbench



Eclipse Modeling Project



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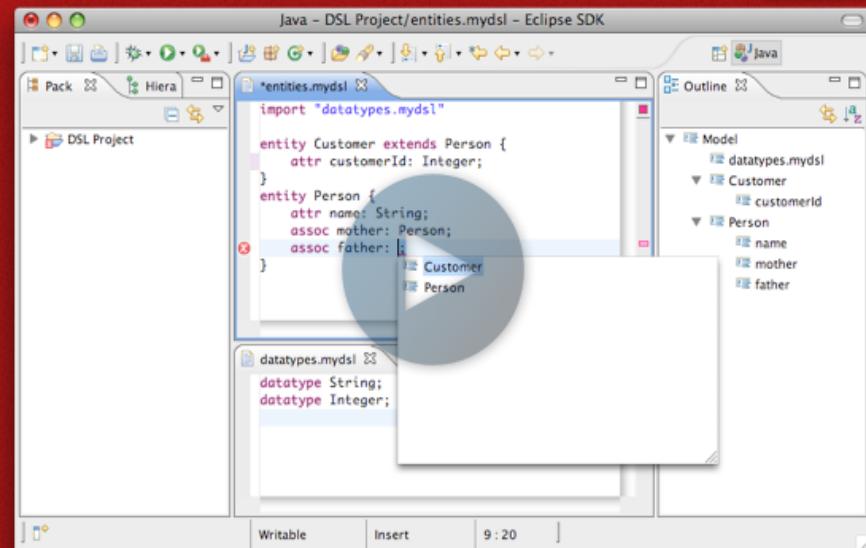
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LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT MADE EASY!

Building your own domain-specific languages has never been so easy. Just put your grammar in place and you not only get the working parser and linker but also first class Eclipse support.



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WHAT IS XTEXT?

Xtext is a framework for development of programming languages and domain specific languages.

It covers all aspects of a complete language infrastructure, from parsers, over linker, compiler or interpreter to fully-blown top-notch Eclipse IDE integration. It comes with good defaults for all these aspects and at the same time every single aspect can be tailored to your needs.

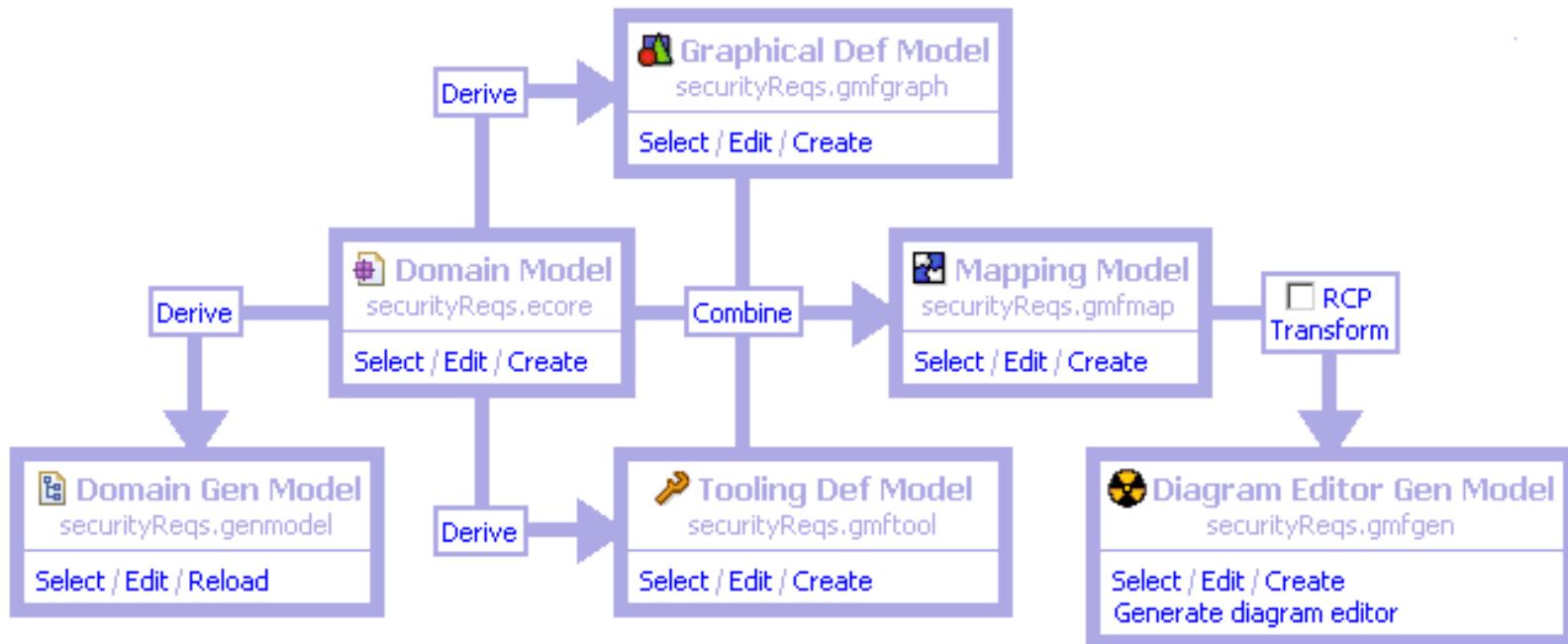
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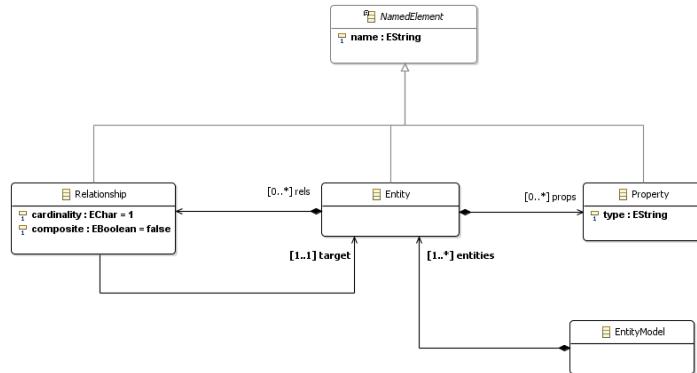
Step 1. Create Xtext grammar

The screenshot shows the Eclipse IDE interface with the following details:

- Package Explorer:** Shows the project structure under the package `umu.modelum.entities`. It includes sub-folders `src`, `src-gen`, `xtend-gen`, and `model`. The `model` folder contains `generated` (with files `Entities.ecore` and `Entities.genmodel`), `build.properties`, `plugin.xml`, and `plugin.xml_gen`.
- Xtext Editor:** Displays the file `Entities.xtext`. The code defines an Xtext grammar for entities. It starts with a `grammar` declaration for the package `umu.modelum.entities.Entities` and imports `org.eclipse.xtext.common.Terminals`. The `generate` directive specifies the target URL `"http://www.modelum.umu/entities/Entities"`. The grammar defines three main components: `Model`, `Entity`, and `Property`. The `Model` component contains a rule `entities += Entity*`. The `Entity` component contains a rule `'entity' name = ID '{' (properties += Property) | (references += Reference)* '}'`. The `Property` component contains a rule `type = ID name = ID`. The `Reference` component contains a rule `((isComposite ?='val'))|('ref') target=[Entity] '[' ']' name = ID`.

GMF/Eclipse





metamodel

mapping

mapping

The screenshot shows a modeling environment with the following components:

- Merkel rhyme_diagram**: A window displaying a user interface for creating a new client. It includes fields for Nombre (TextField), Apellidos (TextField), and Descripción (TextArea). Below these are Paragraph and Submit buttons.
- Palette**: A sidebar containing categories like Use Case Elements, Presentation Elements, Paragraph Elements, and others, each with corresponding icons.
- diagram elements**: A view showing the structure of the UI elements. It lists components such as Paragraph, Label, Text Field, Text Area, and a Link button.

tool
palette

mapping

Eugenia/GMF

```
@namespace(uri="http://www.modelum.um/entity", prefix="entity")
package entity; <----- @gmf

@class EntityModel {
    val Entity[+] entities;
}

@class Entity extends NamedElement {<----- @gmf.diagram
    val Property[*] props;
    val Relationship[*] rels;
}

@class Property extends NamedElement {
    attr String[1] type;
}

@class Relationship extends NamedElement {
    attr char[1] cardinality = '1';
    ref Entity[1] target;
    attr boolean[1] composite;
} <----- @gmf.compartment

@abstract class NamedElement {
    attr String[1] name;
}
```

@gmf.link(target.decoration="arrow",



User-friendly modeling tools:

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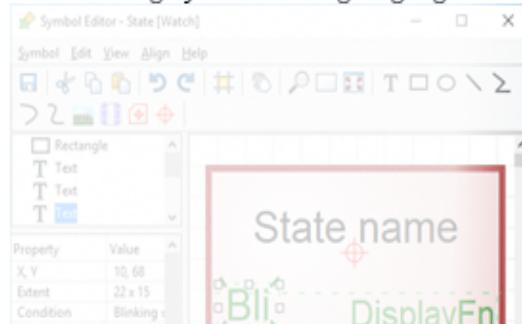
See Changes

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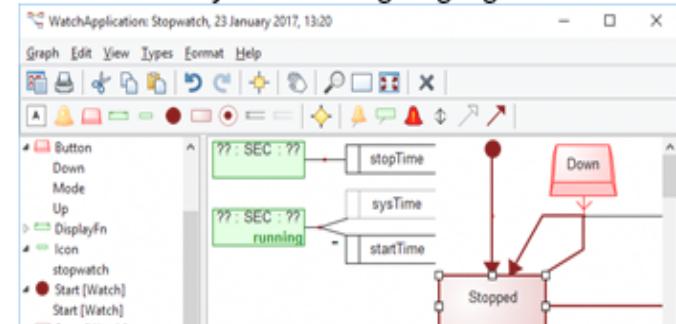
MetaEdit+ Modeler - Supports your modeling language

MetaEdit+ provides full modeling tool functionality for multiple users, multiple projects, running on all major platforms. It automatically follows the modeling language defined with MetaEdit+ Workbench by retrieving it from the repository.

Design your modeling language

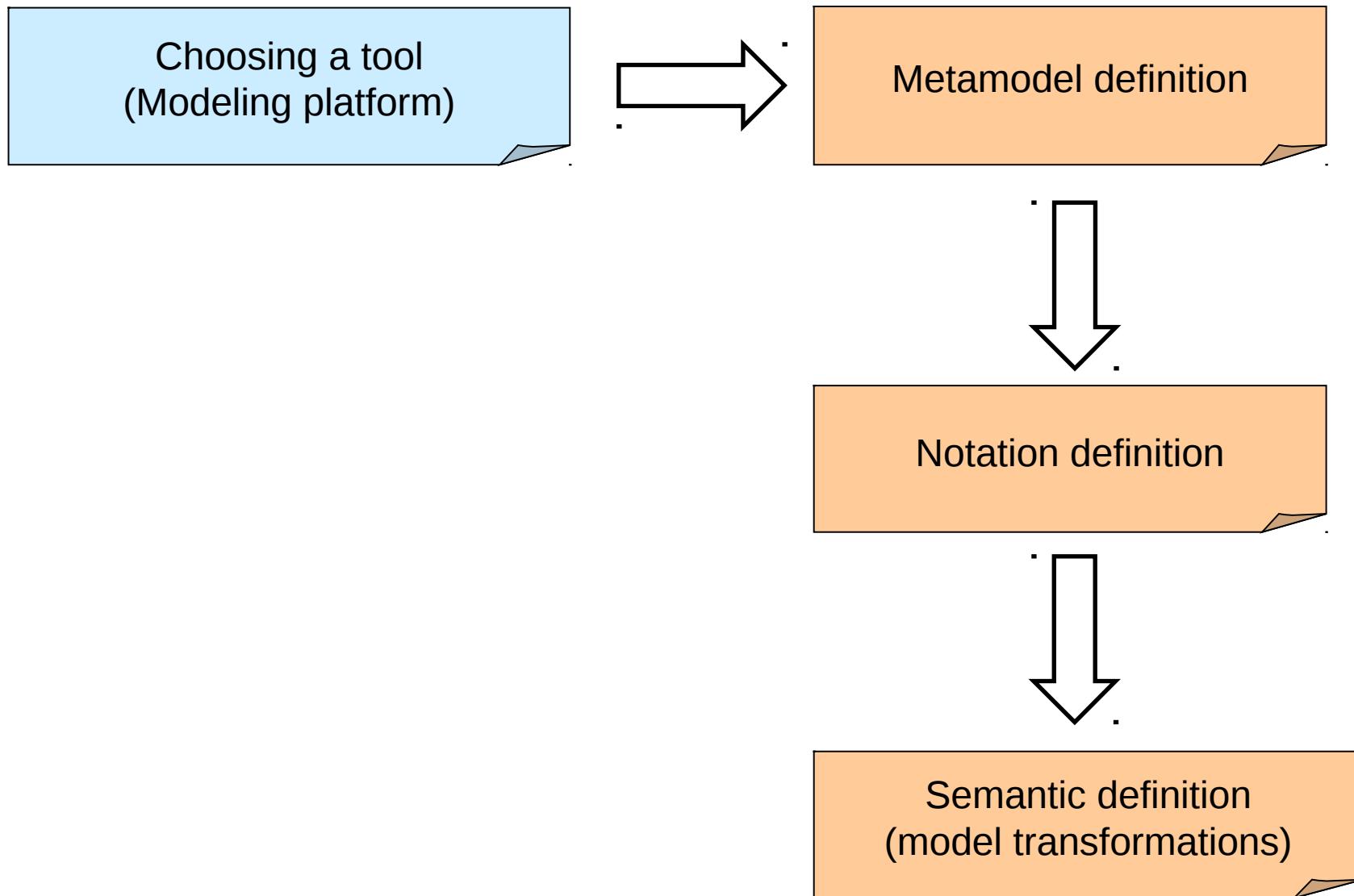


Use your modeling language

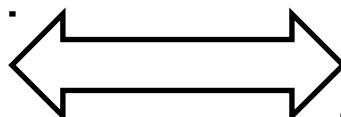
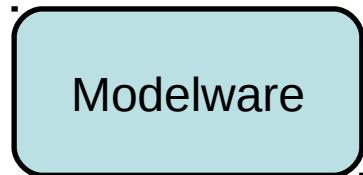


La herramienta más madura y robusta pero no está integrada en Eclipse y es de pago.

Steps in the creation process

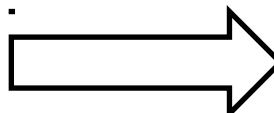


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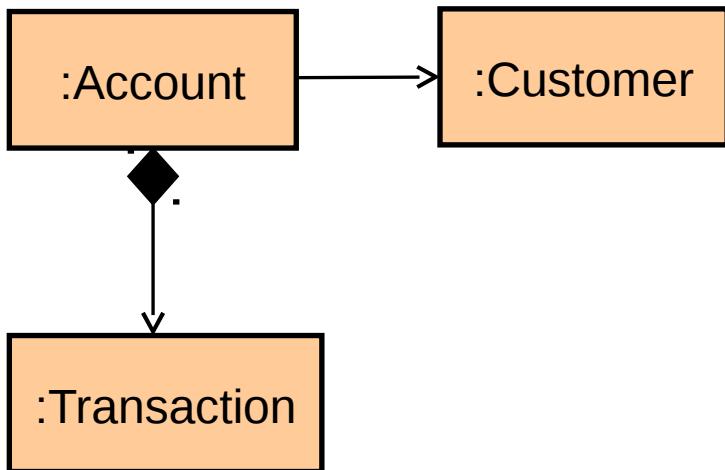
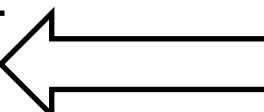


```
entity Account{
    ref Customer[+] holder;
    val Transaction[*] transactions;
    String number;
    Integer amount;
    String passport;
}
entity Customer{
    String name;
    String address;
    Account[+] accounts;
}
entity Transactions{
    Integer amount;
    Date date;
}
```

injection

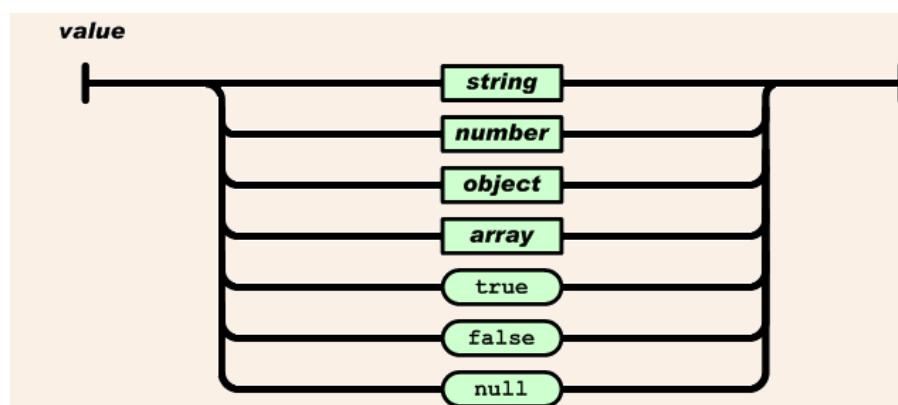
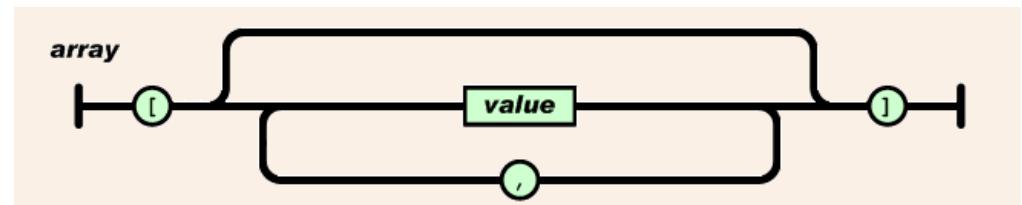
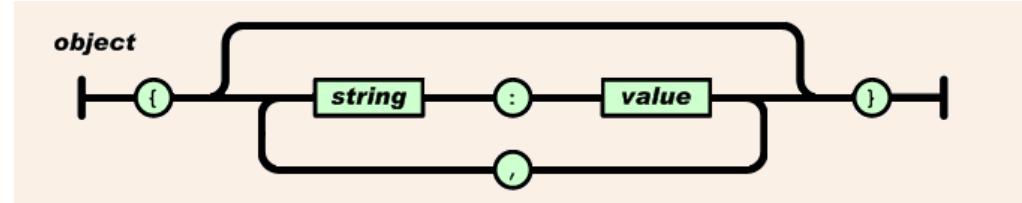


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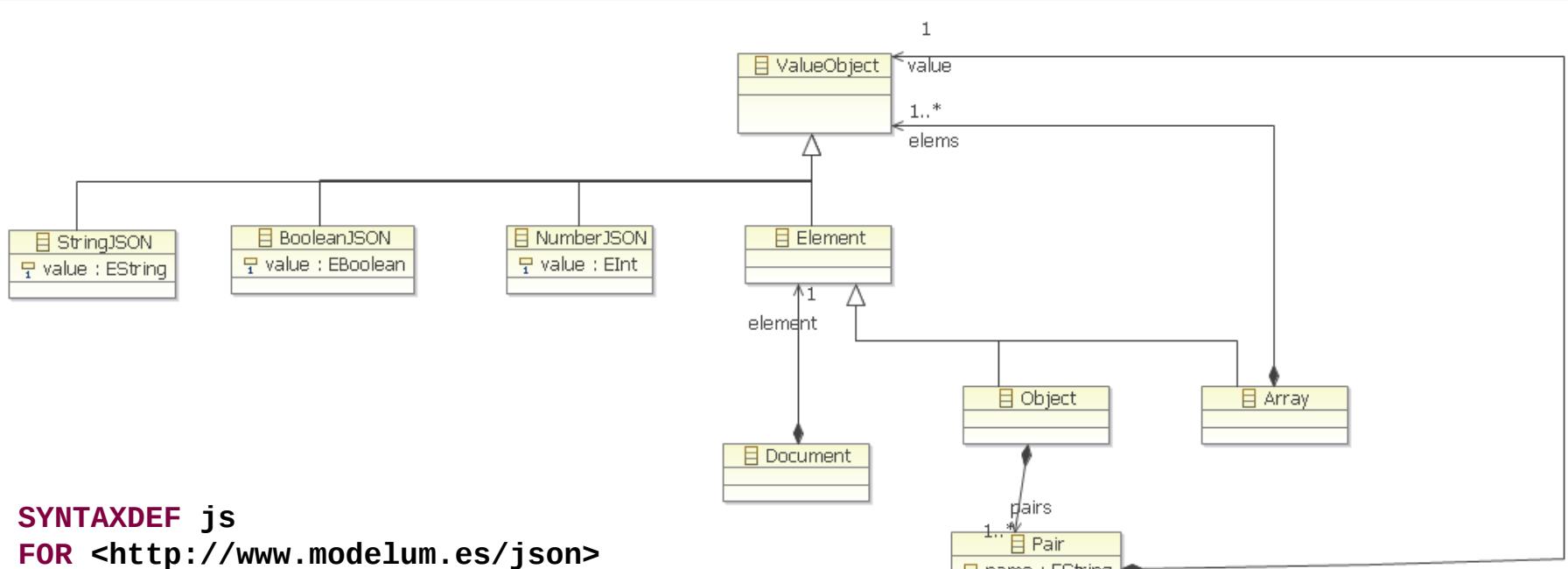


Injecting JSON code

```
{"menu": {  
    "id": "file",  
    "value": "File",  
    "popup": {  
        "menuitem": [  
            {"value": "New", "onclick": "CreateNewDoc()"},  
            {"value": "Open", "onclick": "OpenDoc()"},  
            {"value": "Close", "onclick": "CloseDoc()"}  
        ]  
    }  
}
```



```
{ "nombre": "CarlosGM"  
  "edad": 44  
  "empresa": "UMU"  
  "ocio": ["futbol", "cine", "musica"]  
}
```



```

SYNTAXDEF js
FOR <http://www.modelum.es/json>
START Document
TOKENS {
    DEFINE BOOLEAN $'true'|'false'$;
    DEFINE COMMENT $'//('(~('\'n'|'\r'|'\uffff'))*)$;
    DEFINE INTEGER $('-)?('1'..'9')
    ('0'..'9')*|'0'$;
}

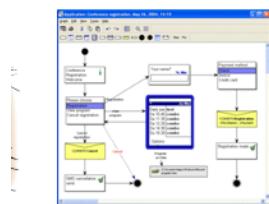
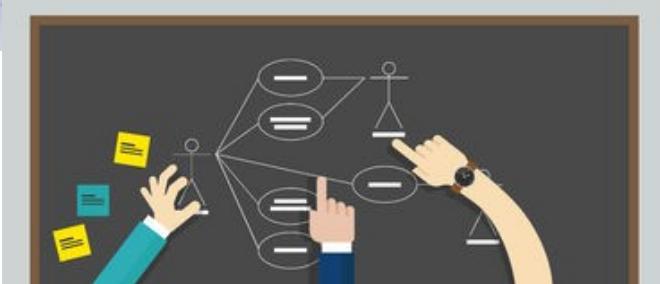
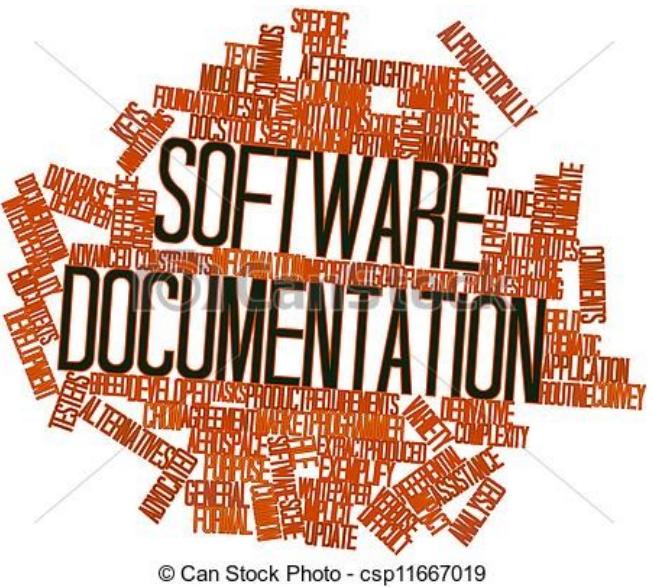
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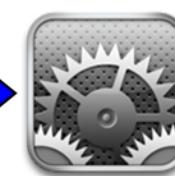
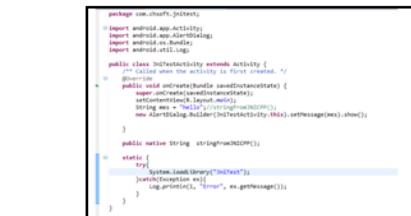
RULES {
    Document ::= element ;
    Object ::= "{" pairs ( "," pairs)* "}";
    Pair ::= name[ "", "" ] ":" value;
    StringJSON ::= value[ "", "" ];
    BooleanJSON ::= value[BOOLEAN];
    NumberJSON ::= value[INTEGER];
    Array ::= "[" elems ( "," elems)* "]";
}

```

Por qué son útiles los modelos?



Model



Generation Tools

Lenguajes de modelado vs. DSL

- **Lenguajes de modelado**

- Sólo estamos interesados en documentación y/o visualización, comunicación y razonamiento.
- Interesados en la notación
- Se requiere un editor
- UML ha sido normalmente utilizado de este modo

- **DSL/DSML**

- También estamos interesados en la semántica
- Generación de código (GPL, XML, HTML, SQL, ...)
- Lenguajes de modelado específicos del dominio (DSML) o lenguajes específicos del dominio (DSL)

Recomendaciones para diseñar DSLs (Markus Völter, “Best MD* Practices”,

<http://www.voelter.de/data/pub/DSLBestPractices-2011Update.pdf>)

- Comienza con la creación de un **DSL para un dominio técnico** en vez de un DSL de un dominio del negocio.
- **Expresividad:** Debe permitir especificar el qué no el cómo.
- **Notación** adaptada al dominio que facilite la tarea de los usuarios
- Antes de construir un sofisticado editor gráfico, crear uno más simple para **comprender bien los conceptos**.
- Puede ser útil **combinar** un DSL **textual** con uno **visual**.
- DSLs con diferentes **viewpoints**
- DSLs deben permitir **particionar** los modelos o especificaciones

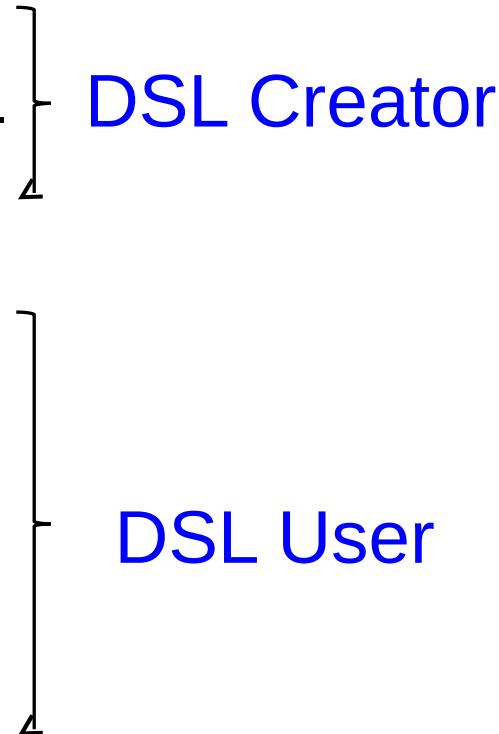
Recomendaciones para crear procesadores de DSLs

- Elegir implementación más adecuada
- Aplicar validación de modelos antes de procesarlos.
- ¡No modificar el código generado!
- Preocupación por el código generado: comentarios, seguir convenciones,..
- Crear plantillas de calidad: modulares y legibles.
- Aplicar transformaciones M2M intermedias para simplificar los generadores.
- ¡No olvidar el testing!

Recomendaciones para el proceso

- Aplicar un **proceso iterativo**
- **Implementar el lenguaje conforme** se realiza el **análisis** del dominio ayuda a comprenderlo.
- **Documentación** es importante: manual de referencia del DSL, manual de editores y generadores, cómo y dónde escribir código manual y cómo integrarlo.

Issues to be evaluated

- **Cost of creation**
 - Tools to be implemented: parsers, editors, ...
 - **ROI (return of investment)**
-
- Interoperability (GPLs, tools, ..)
 - Ease to learn.
 - Tooling
 - Documentation
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- The diagram illustrates the evaluation criteria for Domain-Specific Languages (DSLs). It is divided into two main sections: 'DSL Creator' and 'DSL User'. The 'DSL Creator' section, located on the right side of the slide, contains the 'Cost of creation' and 'ROI (return of investment)' items. The 'DSL User' section, also on the right, contains the remaining four items: 'Interoperability (GPLs, tools, ..)', 'Ease to learn.', 'Tooling', and 'Documentation'. Each section is bracketed by a vertical brace on its right side, and the entire diagram is centered on the slide.

Empirical Comparison of Language Workbenches

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Abstract

Production use of Domain-Specific Modeling languages has consistently shown productivity increase by a factor of 5–10. However, the spread of DSM has been slowed by projects stalling even before the language was built, often citing problems with the chosen tool. With a wide variety of language workbench tools for DSM, there is a need for objective empirical tool comparison – particularly as the little research so far shows a range of 50 times more effort between the most and least efficient tools. This article looks at existing empirical research and an experimental design for a future comparison. We aim at increasing objectivity and repeatability while keeping overall effort practical, and providing worthwhile returns for the participants.

This article aims to form a preliminary investigation of the area of empirical comparison of language workbenches. We will look at the particularly challenges of quantitative comparison in this area, the different factors that could be compared, and previous comparisons. Based on this we will offer a suggestion for an experimental design appropriate for a future comparison.

2. Challenges of Comparison

Conducting an empirical comparison of language workbenches is difficult, particularly given the wide range of effort required for the same results. In most cases, only an unrealistically small language could be built purely for an experiment: otherwise using the less efficient tools will take too long. The more realistic data

- a) comparing language workbenches as different ways of producing a DSM tool for the same language;
- b) comparing the effort to update the resulting DSM tool when the LWB, problem or solution domain evolves;
- c) comparing the productivity of the resulting DSM tool and generation against hand-writing the same code;
- d) comparing the productivity of different languages made for the same domain with different workbenches;
- e) comparing the performance of the resulting DSM tool: how long the user has to wait for the tool to open a model, generate code, show model changes etc.

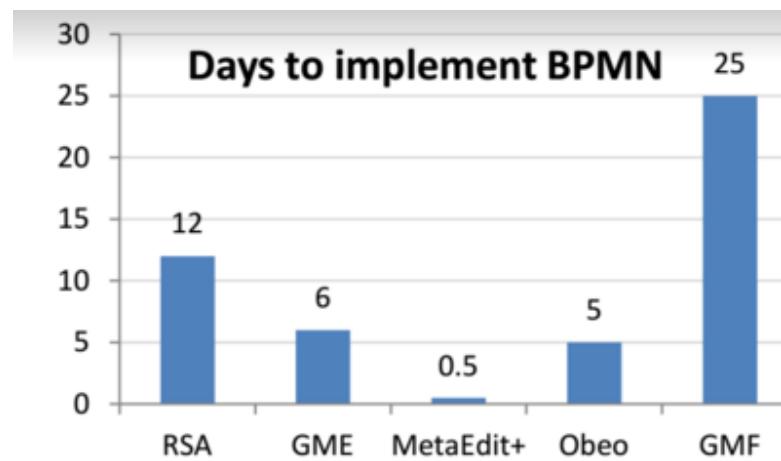


Figure 1: Days to implement BPMN [2]

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Developing Graphical Model Editors for Meta-Modelling Tools

Requirements, Conceptualisation, and Implementation

Product [Source]	Capability	C1: Spec. at run-time	C2: Multiple languages	C3: Editor for rep.	C4: Cust. of symbols	C5: Cust. of edges	C6: Cust. of edge sym.	C7: Implicit rel.	C8: Shared repository
ADONIS (Junginger et al. 2000)	—	X	—	B	B	B	—	X	
ARIS (Davis 2008; Scheer 2000)	(X)	X	X	B	B	B	—	X	
AToM ³ (Lara and Vangheluwe 2002, 2004)	—	X	—	B	B	B	—	X	
DIAGEN (Minas 2002)	—	—	—	A	A	A	—	—	
DIAMETA (Minas 2006)	—	—	—	A	A	A	—	—	
DOME (Engstrom and Krueger 2000)	—	—	—	B	B	B	—	—	
EuGENia (Kolovos et al. 2009)	—	—	—	A	A	A	X	—	
GEMS (J. White et al. 2007)	—	—	(X)	C	B	B	—	—	
GenEd (Haarslev and Wessel 1996)	—	X	—	B	B	B	X	X	
GenGed (Bardohl 2002; Bardohl and Ehrig 2000)	—	X	X	B	B	B	—	X	
GME (Ledeczi et al. 2001)	X	X	—	A	A	A	—	—	
GMF (The Eclipse Graphical Modeling Framework (GMF) 2012)	—	—	—	A	A	A	X	—	
GeoMMT (Garcia et al. 2009)	X	X	—	A	A	A	—	X	



Comparing tools to build graphical modeling editors

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<i>Tools</i>	<i>Scope</i>	<i>Frame-work</i>	<i>Abs. syntax</i>	<i>Conc. syntax</i>	<i>Syntax distinct.</i>	<i>Editing</i>	<i>Models</i>	<i>Auto-mation</i>	<i>Usabi- lity</i>	<i>Meth. basis</i>
Diagen	OS (GPL)	Eclipse	Ecore/ UML	Diame-ta Design	No	vv	vv	vv	vvv	-
Eugenia	OS (EPL)	Eclipse	Ecore	EOL	Yes	vv	vvv	vvv	vvv	-
GMF	OS (EPL)	Eclipse	Ecore	Draw2D	Yes	vvv	vvv	vv	vv	-
Graphiti	OS (BSD)	Eclipse	Ecore/ Java	Draw2D	Yes	vvv	vvv	vvv	vv	-
MetaEdit+	Com	Own	GOP- PRR	Internal API	Yes	vvv	vv	vvv	vvv	✓
Obeo Designer	Com	Eclipse	Ecore	Odesign	Yes	vvv	vvv	vvv	vvv	✓
Sirius	OS	Eclipse	Ecore	Odesign	Yes	vvv	vvv	vvv	vvv	✓
Tiger	OS (GPL)	Eclipse	AGG	Shape- Fig	No	v	vv	v	vvv	-
% of compliance of the qualitative criteria:						83.3%	87.5%	83.3%	91.6%	12.5%

Legend (for weightable fields): *None* (-), *Poor* (v), *Good* (vv), *Excellent* (vvv)

Summary of tools to build graphical modeling editors

Criterios de comparación

- Lenguaje de metamodelado y editores
- Notación y editores; cómo notación afecta al metamodelo
- Permite varios lenguajes o diagramas, asociar un diagrama a un elemento del modelo.
- Posibilidad de especificar los puntos de conexiones en relaciones
- Nivel de personalización del aspecto gráfico del DSL
- Soporte para restricciones sintácticas/semánticas
- Soporte para la generación de código: lenguajes m2m y m2t
- Interoperabilidad
- Usabilidad
- Documentación
- Precio, tipo de licencia, plataforma de despliegue,
- ...