

Master's thesis

Implementation of a type-safe
generalized syntax-directed editor

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Agenda

- Motivation and background
- Goal of the project
- Background
- Implementation
- Editor examples
- Conclusion
- Questions

Motivation and background

- Structure editors
 - Avoid syntax errors
 - (Arguably) Improved code overview
 - With ability to support
 - Typed holes
 - Context-sensitive syntax

Motivation and background (Continued)

- Cornell Program Synthesizer (1981)¹

placeholder. The following file segment shows with underlines all the possible stopping points for the cursor when the **up** and **down** keys are used:

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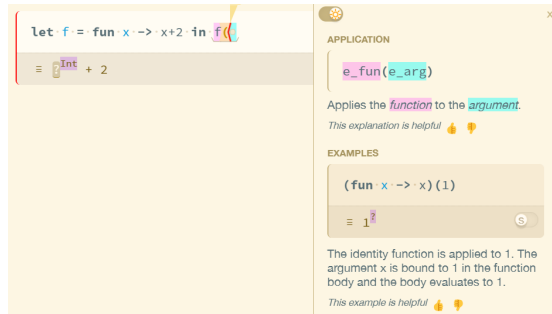
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¹Teitelbaum and Reps, "The Cornell Program Synthesizer: A Syntax-Directed Programming Environment".

Motivation and background (Continued)

- Hazel programming environment (2019)²



²Omar et al., "Live functional programming with typed holes".

Motivation and background (Continued)

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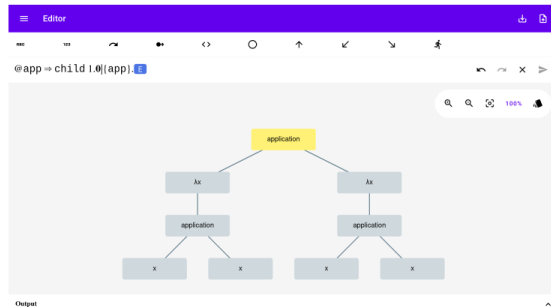
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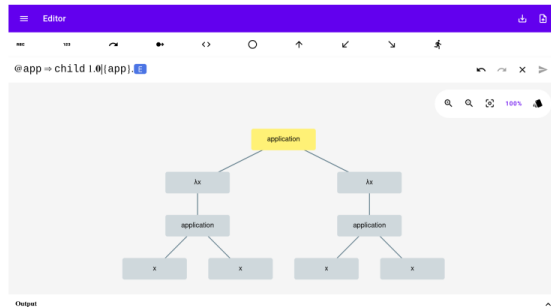
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Picking good language examples (Continued)

- A C program with syntax errors

```
int main() {  
    int x = 0;  
    for (int i; i < 5; i++) {  
        x++;  
    }  
    return 0;  
}
```

Picking good language examples (Continued)

- A SQL query with syntax errors

```
SELECT col-a, col-b FROM table  
WHERE col-a == 'x';
```

Picking good language examples (Continued)

- A \LaTeX document with syntax errors

```
...  
\begin{equation}  
  \|\text{\textbackslash vect{v}}\| = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n v_i^2}  
\end{equation}  
...
```

Background

- Abstract syntax
- Generalized editor calculus

Abstract Syntax Trees

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Generalized editor calculus

- Generalization of a type-safe structure editor calculus⁸
 - Evaluate programs partially with breakpoints and typed holes
 - Type system: If $p, \Gamma_e \vdash \langle E, a \rangle : ok$ and reduction $\langle E, a \rangle \xrightarrow{\alpha} \langle E', a' \rangle$, then $(p, \Gamma_e) \downarrow_{\alpha} \vdash \langle E', a' \rangle : ok$

⁸Christian Godiksen et al. “A type-safe structure editor calculus”. In: *Proceedings of the 2021 ACM SIGPLAN Workshop on Partial Evaluation and Program Manipulation, PEPM@POPL 2021, Virtual Event, Denmark, January 18-19, 2021*. Ed. by Sam Lindley and Torben Æ. Mogensen. ACM, 2021, pp. 1–13. DOI: 10.1145/3441296.3441393. URL: <https://doi.org/10.1145/3441296.3441393>.

Abstract syntax of a language

- Assumes that abstract syntax of a language is given by:
 1. A set of sorts \mathcal{S}
 2. An arity-indexed family of operators \mathcal{O}
 3. A sort-indexed family of variables \mathcal{X}
- Then, for every sort $s \in \mathcal{S}$, the following operators are added to \mathcal{O}
 1. A *hole* _{s} operator with arity $()s$
 2. A *cursor* _{s} operator with arity $(s)s$

Editor calculus

- Abstract syntax of general editor calculus

$$E ::= \pi.E \mid \phi \Rightarrow E_1|E_2 \mid E_1 \ggg E_2 \mid \text{rec } x.E \mid x \mid \text{nil}$$

$$\pi ::= \text{child } n \mid \text{parent} \mid \{o\}$$

$$\phi ::= \neg\phi \mid \phi \wedge \phi \mid \phi \vee \phi \mid @o \mid \diamond o \mid \square o$$

Cursorless trees

- Trees without cursors - crucial for defining cursor contexts and well-formed trees
1. The sorts $\hat{\mathcal{S}} = \{\hat{s}\}_{s \in \mathcal{S}}$
 2. The family of cursorless operators $\hat{\mathcal{O}}$ is made by adding the operator \hat{o} of arity $(\vec{\hat{s}}_1.\hat{s}_1, \dots, \vec{\hat{s}}_n.\hat{s}_n)\hat{s}$ for every $o \in \mathcal{O}$ of arity $(\vec{s}_1.s_1, \dots, \vec{s}_n.s_n)s$, excluding cursors
 3. The family of variables $\hat{\mathcal{X}}$

Cursor context

- Holds information about the current tree, up until a context hole

1. The sorts $\mathcal{S}^C = \hat{\mathcal{S}} \cup \{C\}$
2. The family of operators $\mathcal{O}^C = \hat{\mathcal{O}}$ extended with the $[\cdot]$ operator with arity $()C$
3. For every operator $\hat{o} \in \hat{\mathcal{O}}$ of arity $(\vec{\hat{s}}_1.\hat{s}_1, \dots, \vec{\hat{s}}_n.\hat{s}_n)\hat{s}$ and for every $1 \leq i \leq n$ the operator o_i^C of arity $(\vec{\hat{s}}_1.\hat{s}_1, \dots, \vec{\hat{s}}_i.C, \dots, \vec{\hat{s}}_n.\hat{s}_n)C$ to \mathcal{O}^C
4. The family of variables $\mathcal{X}^C = \hat{\mathcal{X}}$

Well-formed trees

- Well-formed: contains only a single cursor

1. The sorts $\dot{\mathcal{S}} = \hat{\mathcal{S}} \cup \{\dot{s}\}_{s \in \mathcal{S}}$
2. The family of operators $\dot{\mathcal{O}} = \hat{\mathcal{O}}$ extended with an operator of arity $(\hat{s})\dot{s}$ for every $\hat{s} \in \hat{\mathcal{S}}$
3. For every operator $\hat{o} \in \hat{\mathcal{O}}$ of arity $(\vec{\hat{s}}_1.\hat{s}_1, \dots, \vec{\hat{s}}_n.\hat{s}_n)\hat{s}$ and for every $1 \leq i \leq n$ the operator \dot{o}_i of arity $(\vec{\hat{s}}_1.\hat{s}_1, \dots, \vec{\hat{s}}_i.\hat{s}_i, \dots, \vec{\hat{s}}_n.\hat{s}_n)\dot{s}$ is added to $\dot{\mathcal{O}}$
4. The family of variables $\dot{\mathcal{X}} = \hat{\mathcal{X}}$

Semantics (Editor Expressions)

$$\text{(Cond-1)} \frac{a \models \phi}{\langle \phi \Rightarrow E_1 | E_2, C[a] \rangle \xRightarrow{\epsilon} \langle E_1, C[a] \rangle}$$

$$\text{(Cond-2)} \frac{a \not\models \phi}{\langle \phi \Rightarrow E_1 | E_2, C[a] \rangle \xRightarrow{\epsilon} \langle E_2, C[a] \rangle}$$

$$\text{(Context)} \frac{a \xRightarrow{\pi} a'}{\langle \pi.E, C[a] \rangle \xRightarrow{\pi} \langle E, C[a'] \rangle}$$

Semantics (Substitution and cursor movement)

$$(\text{Insert-op}) \frac{}{[\hat{a}] \xRightarrow{\{o\}} [o(\vec{x}_1.\emptyset \parallel_{s_1}; \dots; \vec{x}_n.\emptyset \parallel_{s_n})]} \hat{a} \in \mathcal{B}[\mathcal{X}]_s \text{ where } s \text{ is the sort of } o$$

$$(\text{Child-i}) \frac{}{[\hat{o}(\vec{x}_1.\hat{a}_1; \dots; \vec{x}_n.\hat{a}_n)] \xRightarrow{\text{child } i} o(\vec{x}_1.\hat{a}_1; \dots; \vec{x}_i.[\hat{a}_i]; \dots; \vec{x}_n.\hat{a}_n)}$$

$$(\text{Parent}) \frac{}{o(\vec{x}_1.\hat{a}_1; \dots; \vec{x}_i.[\hat{a}_i]; \dots; \vec{x}_n.\hat{a}_n) \xRightarrow{\text{parent}} [\hat{o}(\vec{x}_1.\hat{a}_1; \dots; \vec{x}_n.\hat{a}_n)]}$$

Semantics (Conditionals and modal logic)

$$\text{(Negation)} \quad \frac{[\hat{a}] \not\models \phi}{[\hat{a}] \models \neg \phi}$$

$$\text{(Conjunction)} \quad \frac{[\hat{a}] \models \phi_1 \quad [\hat{a}] \models \phi_2}{[\hat{a}] \models \phi_1 \wedge \phi_2}$$

$$\text{(At-op)} \quad \frac{}{[o(\vec{x}_1.\hat{a}_1; \dots; \vec{x}_n.\hat{a}_n)] \models @o}$$

$$\text{(Necessity)} \quad \frac{[\hat{a}_1] \models \Diamond \dots [\hat{a}_n] \models \Diamond o}{[o(\vec{x}_1.\hat{a}_1; \dots; \vec{x}_n.\hat{a}_n)] \models \Box o}$$

Encoding the generalized editor calculus in an extended λ -calculus

- Simply-typed λ -calculus with pairs, pattern matching and recursion
- Assuming that:
 - Type system of the simply-typed λ -calculus is sound
 - Encoding is correct
 - Then any instance of the editor will have a sound type system

Extended λ -calculus

Terms

 $M ::= \lambda x : \tau. M$
 $| M_1 M_2$
 $| x$
 $| o$
 $| (M_1, M_2)$
 $| M.1$

...

 $M, N ::= \text{match } M \xrightarrow{p} \vec{N} \quad (\text{match construct})$
 $p ::= x \quad (\text{variable})$

...

Types

 $\tau ::= \tau_1 \rightarrow \tau_2 \quad (\text{function})$
 $| s \quad (\text{sort})$
 $| \tau_1 \times \tau_2 \quad (\text{product type})$
 $| \text{Bool} \quad (\text{boolean})$

Encoding abts and editor expressions

- Typing rules for operators

$$(\text{T-Operator}) \frac{o \in \mathcal{O} \text{ and has arity } (\vec{s}_1.s_1, \dots, \vec{s}_n.s_n)s}{\Gamma \vdash o : (\vec{s}_1 \rightarrow s_1) \rightarrow \dots (\vec{s}_n \rightarrow s_n) \rightarrow s}$$

- Encoding of abts

$$\llbracket o(\vec{x}_1.a_1, \dots, \vec{x}_n.a_n) \rrbracket = o(\lambda \vec{x}_1 : \vec{s}_1. \llbracket a_1 \rrbracket) \dots (\lambda \vec{x}_n : \vec{s}_n. \llbracket a_n \rrbracket)$$

- Encoding of editor expressions

$$\llbracket \pi.E \rrbracket = \lambda CC : \text{Ctx}. \llbracket E \rrbracket ((\llbracket \pi \rrbracket C.1), C.2)$$

...

$$\llbracket \langle E, C[a'] \rangle \rrbracket = \llbracket E \rrbracket (\llbracket a \rrbracket, \llbracket C \rrbracket)$$

Implementation

- Representing syntax
- Code generation vs. generic model
- Generating source code
- Editor expressions

Representing syntax

- Abstract syntax per Robert Harper⁹
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- How can a user provide this in a non-challenging way?

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Representing syntax (Continued)

- Metal¹⁰

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- Common problem: no support for binders

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Representing syntax (Continued)

- Let's make our own specification language

 $q \in \text{Query}$
 $\text{cmd} \in \text{Command}$
 $\text{const} \in \text{Const}$
 $\text{cond} \in \text{Condition}$
 $\text{id} \in \text{Id}$
 $\text{clause} \in \text{Clause}$
 $\text{exp} \in \text{Expression}$

Sort	Term	Arity	Operator
$\text{query} ::=$	"SELECT " id_1 " FROM " id_2 clause	$(\text{id}_1, \text{id}_2, \text{clause})\text{query}$	select
$\text{cmd} ::=$	"INSERT INTO " id_1 " AS " id_2 query	$(\text{id}_1, \text{id}_2.\text{query})\text{cmd}$	insert
$\text{id} ::=$	%string	$()\text{id}$	$\text{id}[\text{String}]$
$\text{const} ::=$	%number	$()\text{const}$	$\text{num}[\text{Int}]$
	""" id """	$(\text{id})\text{const}$	str
$\text{clause} ::=$	"WHERE " cond	$(\text{cond})\text{clause}$	where
	"HAVING " cond	$(\text{cond})\text{clause}$	having
$\text{cond} ::=$	exp_1 ">" exp_2	$(\text{exp}_1, \text{exp}_2)\text{cond}$	greater
	exp_1 "=" exp_2	$(\text{exp}_1, \text{exp}_2)\text{cond}$	equals
$\text{exp} ::=$	const	$(\text{const})\text{exp}$	econst
	id	$(\text{id})\text{exp}$	eident

Representing syntax (Continued)

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```

query in Query
cmd in Command
id in Id
clause in Clause

query ::= " SELECT " id " FROM " id clause # (id,id,clause)query # select
cmd ::= " INSERT INTO " id " AS " id query # (id,id.query)cmd # insert
...

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$id ::=$	%string	$()id$	$id[String]$
$const ::=$	%number """ id """	$()const$ $(id)const$	$num[Int]$ str
$clause ::=$	"WHERE " $cond$ "HAVING " $cond$	$(cond)clause$ $(cond)clause$	$where$ $having$
$cond ::=$	exp_1 ">" exp_2 exp_1 "=" exp_2	$(exp_1, exp_2)cond$ $(exp_1, exp_2)cond$	$greater$ $equals$
$exp ::=$	$const$ id	$(const)exp$ $(id)exp$	$econst$ $eident$

Generic model or code generation?

- Generic model:
 - No need for code generation (less work and error prone)
 - However less efficient and needs thorough well-formedness checks
- Code generation:
 - Take advantage of algebraic data types (only well-formed terms can be created)
 - However requires code generation

Generating source code

- Elm CodeGen package¹³
- Can be useful if integrated with language specification parser

```
1 Elm.declaration "anExample"  
2   (Elm.record  
3     [ ("name", Elm.string "a fancy string!")  
4       , ("fancy", Elm.bool True)  
5     ]  
6   )  
7   |> Elm.ToString.declaration
```

The above will generate following string:

```
1 anExample : { name : String, fancy : Bool }  
2 anExample =  
3   { name = "a fancy string!"  
4     , fancy = True  
5   }
```

¹³Elm packages. *Elm CodeGen*.

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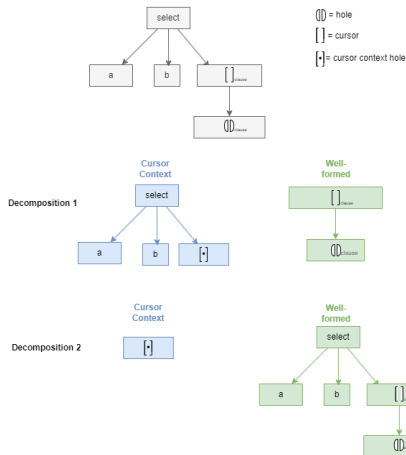
```
1 Elm.customType "Statement"  
2   [ Elm.variantWith "Assignment"  
3     [ Elm.Annotation.named [] "Id",  
4       Elm.Annotation.named [] "Exp" ]  
5   , Elm.variantWith "StmtFunCall"  
6     [ Elm.Annotation.named [] "Id",  
7       Elm.Annotation.named [] "Funargs" ]  
8   , Elm.variantWith "Return"  
9     [ Elm.Annotation.named [] "Exp" ]  
0   , Elm.variantWith "Conditional"  
1     [ Elm.Annotation.named [] "Conditional" ] ]
```

This declaration, if passed to Elm CodeGen's File function, would generate a source file with following contents:

```
1 type Statement  
2   = Assignment Id Exp  
3   | StmtFunCall Id Funargs  
4   | Return Exp  
5   | Conditional Conditional
```

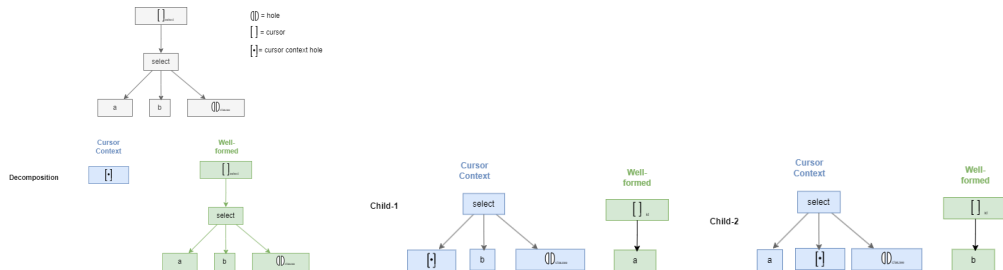
Generating Editor Expression Code

- Unique decomposition
- Generate a path to the cursor
- Generate an abt of sort $s^C \in \mathcal{S}^C$ based on the path and stop at the cursor
- Generate an abt of sort $\dot{s} \in \dot{\mathcal{S}}$ based on the rest of the tree that was not traversed



Generating Editor Expression Code (Continued)

- Cursor movement (child and parent)



Generating Editor Expression Code (Continued)

- Substitution
- Conditionals
- Sequence
- Recursion

Editor examples

- C
- SQL
- L^AT_EX

C

```
> example = P < Program < Fundecl1 Tint ( [ Ident "main" ], Fundecldone ) Tint ( [ Ident "x" ], Block (Blockstmts)
P (Program (Fundecl1 Tint ([Ident "main"],Fundecldone) Tint ([Ident "x"],Block (Blockstmts (Compstmt (Assignment (I
dent "x") (Cursor_e Hole_e)) (Return (Expident (Ident "x"))))))))
: Base
> decomposed = decompose example
(Program_CLess_cctx1 (Fundecl1_CLess_cctx4 Tint_CLess ([Ident_CLess "main"],Fundecldone_CLess) Tint_CLess ([Ident_C
Less "x"],Block_CLess_cctx1 (Blockstmts_CLess_cctx1 (Compstmt_CLess_cctx1 (Assignment_CLess_cctx2 (Ident_CLess "x")
Cctx_hole) (Return_CLess (Expident_CLess (Ident_CLess "x"))))))),Root_e_CLess Hole_e_CLess)
: ( Cctx, Wellformed )
> movedup = Maybe.withDefault (Cctx_hole, Root_e_CLess Hole_e_CLess) < parent decomposed
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Ident_CLess "x"))))))),Root_s_CLess (Assignment_CLess (Ident_CLess "x") Hole_e_CLess))
: ( Cctx, Wellformed )
> evalCond movedup < At < S_CLess < Assignment_CLess Hole_id_CLess Hole_e_CLess
True : Bool
> evalCond movedup < Neg < At < S_CLess < Assignment_CLess Hole_id_CLess Hole_e_CLess
False : Bool
> evalCond movedup < Possibly < Id_CLess < Ident_CLess "x"
True : Bool
> evalCond movedup < Necessarily < T_CLess < Tint_CLess
False : Bool
> |
```


SQL

```
> example = Q (Select (Ident "col-a") (Ident "table-b") (Where (Greater (Eident (Ident "col-a")) (Econst (Num 2))))))
Q (Select (Ident "col-a") (Ident "table-b") (Where (Greater (Eident (Ident "col-a")) (Econst (Num 2))))))
  : Base
> decomposed = decompose example
(Cctx_hole,Root_q_CLess (Select_CLess (Ident_CLess "col-a") (Ident_CLess "table-b") (Where_CLess (Greater_CLess (Eident_CLess (Ident_CLess "col-a")) (Econst_CLess (Num_CLess 2))))))
  : ( Cctx, Wellformed )
> new = parent decomposed
Nothing : Maybe ( Cctx, Wellformed )
> child 1 decomposed
Just (Select_CLess_cctx1 Cctx_hole (Ident_CLess "table-b") (Where_CLess (Greater_CLess (Eident_CLess (Ident_CLess "col-a")) (Econst_CLess (Num_CLess 2))))),Root_id_CLess (Ident_CLess "col-a"))
  : Maybe ( Cctx, Wellformed )
> substitute decomposed (Q_CLess Hole_q_CLess)
Just (Cctx_hole,Root_q_CLess Hole_q_CLess)
  : Maybe ( Cctx, Wellformed )
> evalCond decomposed < At < Q_CLess < Select_CLess Hole_id_CLess Hole_id_CLess Hole_clause_CLess
True : Bool
> evalCond decomposed < Neg < At < Q_CLess < Select_CLess Hole_id_CLess Hole_id_CLess Hole_clause_CLess
False : Bool
> evalCond decomposed < Possibly < Const_CLess < Num_CLess 1
True : Bool
> evalCond decomposed < Necessarily < Const_CLess < Num_CLess 1
False : Bool
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L^AT_EX

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> example = D (Latexdoc (Ident "article") Hole_e Hole_a Hole_a ( [ Ident "myenv" ], Cursor_c (TextContent "Hello W)
D (Latexdoc (Ident "article") Hole_e Hole_a Hole_a ([Ident "myenv"],Cursor_c (TextContent ("Hello World!"))))
: Base
> decomposed = decompose example
(Latexdoc_CLess_cctx5 (Ident_CLess "article") Hole_e_CLess Hole_a_CLess Hole_a_CLess ([Ident_CLess "myenv"],Cctx_ho
le),Root_c_CLess (TextContent_CLess ("Hello World!")))
: ( Cctx, Wellformed )
> new = parent decomposed
Just (Cctx_hole,Root_d_CLess (Latexdoc_CLess (Ident_CLess "article") Hole_e_CLess Hole_a_CLess Hole_a_CLess ([Ident
_CLess "myenv"],TextContent_CLess ("Hello World!"))))
: Maybe ( Cctx, Wellformed )
> child 1 (Maybe.withDefault (Cctx_hole, Root_d_CLess Hole_d_CLess) new)
|
Just (Latexdoc_CLess_cctx1 Cctx_hole Hole_e_CLess Hole_a_CLess Hole_a_CLess ([Ident_CLess "myenv"],TextContent_CLes
s ("Hello World!")),Root_id_CLess (Ident_CLess "article"))
: Maybe ( Cctx, Wellformed )
> substitute decomposed (C_CLess (TextContent_CLess "Updated content"))
Just (Latexdoc_CLess_cctx5 (Ident_CLess "article") Hole_e_CLess Hole_a_CLess Hole_a_CLess ([Ident_CLess "myenv"],Cc
tx_hole),Root_c_CLess (TextContent_CLess ("Updated content")))
: Maybe ( Cctx, Wellformed )
> evalCond decomposed <| At <| C_CLess <| TextContent_CLess "x"
True : Bool
> evalCond decomposed <| At <| C_CLess <| CmdContent_CLess Hole_cmd_CLess
False : Bool
> evalCond decomposed <| Conjunction (At <| C_CLess <| CmdContent_CLess Hole_cmd_CLess) (At <| C_CLess <| TextCont)
False : Bool
> evalCond decomposed <| Disjunction (At <| C_CLess <| CmdContent_CLess Hole_cmd_CLess) (At <| C_CLess <| TextCont)
True : Bool
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Future work

- Implement the missing editor expressions
- Handling context-sensitive syntax
- Views of code being edited
- Consider a more concise implementation (maybe in Haskell)
- Add support for adding starting symbol to the specification language

Questions

Thank you for your attention!