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1. ATL Transformation Example: KM3 to Measure

The KM3 to Measure example describes measurement on KM3 metamodels, using metrics defined as ATL libraries.

1.1. Transformation Overview

The aim of this transformation is to collect measurement data on KM3 metamodels.

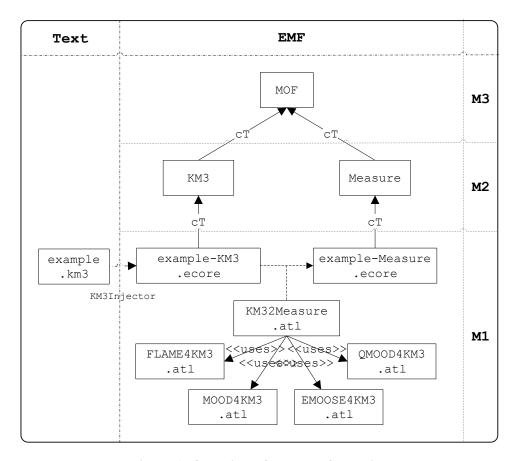


Figure 1: Overview of the transformation

KM3 metamodels can be measured with ATL transformations. A metamodel is selected from the zoo [4] in KM3 format, then injected as a KM3 model (with the predefined injector) and used as the input model of the transformation. The transformation input and output metamodel handlers are KM3 and Measure. The run of the transformation *KM32Measure* produces a collection of measurement data.

We obtain an output model of measures (which keeps the hierarchy of the metamodel). The metrics used in the transformation are implemented with ATL libraries and will be explained in an upcoming section.



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2. Metamodels

2.1. KM3

The Kernel MetaMetaModel (KM3) metamodel is available in [2].

2.2. Measure

The Measure metamodel is used to stored the data collected after a model measurement.

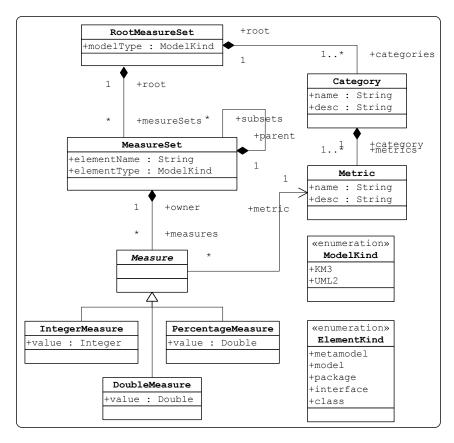


Figure 2: Measure metamodel

The root measure set (*RootMeasureSet*) contains the type of model measured (*modelType*), all the categories of metrics and all the measure sets. A category (*Category*) has a *name* and a description [*desc*]. A category also contains some metrics (*Metric*) with a *name* and a description [*desc*]. A *MeasureSet* stores the data (*measures*) collected from one model element. The name and type of the model element are stored respectively in *elementName* and *elementType* of the *MeasureSet*. The reference *subsets* allow a hierarchy between the *MeasureSets* (the same as from the model measured). A measure (*Measure*) corresponds to a metric and can be with an integer, a double or a percentage value (respectively *IntegerMeasure*, *DoubleMeasure* and *PercentageMeasure*).



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3. Transformation from KM3 to Measure

3.1. Rules specification

These are the rules to collect measurement data from a KM3 model to a Measure model.

- For the whole model, the following elements are created:
 - A *RootMeasureSet* element is created with:
 - A type of model measured (*modelType* set to #*KM3*).
 - o For each category implemented, the following elements are created:
 - A *Category* element with :
 - A name and a description.
 - The created *Category* element is linked to the *RootMeasureSet*.
 - o For each metric implemented for a category, the following elements are created:
 - A *Metric* element with:
 - A name and a description.
 - The created *Metric* element is linked to a *Category* element.

The measure level determinates the metrics and categories that are registered.

- For each *Package* element, the following elements are created:
 - o A *MeasureSet* element with the name and the type of the *Package* element measured.
 - The created *MeasureSet* element is linked to the *MeasureSet* created for his owner *Package* element.
 - o If the *Package* element contains *Class* elements, the following elements are created:
 - An *IntegerMeasure*, *DoubleMeasure* or *PercentageMeasure* element, for each *Metric* element created and defined for package level.
 - o If the *Package* element is a root package:
 - It is linked to the *RootMeasureSet*.
- For each *Class* element, the following elements are created:



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- o A *MeasureSet* element with the name and the type of the *Class* element measured.
- The created *MeasureSet* element is linked to the *MeasureSet* created for his owner *Package* or *Class* (nested classifier) element.
- o An *IntegerMeasure*, *DoubleMeasure* or *PercentageMeasure* element, for each *Metric* element created and defined for class level.



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3.2. ATL code

This ATL code for the *KM32Measure* transformation consists in 27 helpers and 8 rules.

The transformation uses the metrics libraries defined in section 4.

The attribute helper *measureLevel* is used to define the type of model elements measured. For example, at package level (#package), only metrics defined for packages will be used. At class level (#class), both packages and classes metrics will be used.

The two maps *CategoryByName* and *MetricByName* are used to register the categories of metrics and the metrics implemented.

The entrypoint rule *Metrics* is used to fill the two previous maps, before processing measures. The metrics and categories registered depend on the measure level.

The rule *Package2MeasureSet* is called if the package or class level is enabled. If the package contains some classes, measures will be performed for the metrics defined for package level.

The rule *Class2MeasureSet* is called if the class level is enabled. Measures are performed for each metrics defined for class level.

The called rules *Category* and *Metric* are used in the entrypoint rule to register the implemented metrics and their categories.

The called rules *IntegerMeasure*, *DoubleMeasure* and *PercentageMeasure* store the value for a metric given.

Other attribute helpers are part of FLAME functions (see section 4), they have been implemented here for performance improvement.



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4. Metrics Libraries

4.1. FLAME for KM3 Library

4.1.1. FLAME (Formal Library for Aiding Metrics Extraction)

The functions of this library are defined in OCL language in [5] and [6]Erreur! Source du renvoi introuvable. for the UML 1.3 metamodel. They have been adapted to fit with the KM3 metamodel. The functions that deal with operation, overridden feature and visibility feature have been omitted. Additional functions on references have been implemented.

Attributes have been mapped as KM3 attributes and KM3 containment references.

Additional helpers on KM3 references (non containment) have been implemented.

4.1.2. ATL code

This ATL code for the *FLAME4KM3* library consists in 29 helpers.

Some often reused functions have been implemented in the *KM32Measure* transformation itself for performance improvement.

Other that can be applied on KM3 metamodels have been implemented in the library.



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4.2. MOOD for KM3 Library

4.2.1. MOOD (Metrics for Object-Oriented Design) and MOOD2

Name	MOOD::AIF - Attributes Inheritance Factor
Informal definition	Quotient between the number of inherited attributes in all classes of the
	package and the number of available attributes (locally defined plus
	inherited) for all classes of the current package.
Name	MOOD::RIF - References Inheritance Factor
Informal definition	Quotient between the number of inherited references in all classes of the
	package and the number of available references (locally defined plus
	inherited) for all classes of the current package.
Name	MOOD::CCF - Class Coupling Factor
Informal definition	Quotient between the actual number of coupled class-pairs within the
	package and the maximum possible number of class-pair couplings in
	the package. This coupling is the one not imputable to inheritance.
Name	MOOD::ICF - Internal Coupling Factor
Informal definition	Quotient between the number of coupling links where both the client
	and supplier classes belong to the current package and the total number
	of coupling links originating in the current package.
Name	MOOD2::IIF - Internal Inheritance Factor
Informal definition	Quotient between the number of inheritance links where both the base
	and derived classes belong to the current package and the total number
	of inheritance links originating in the current package.

4.2.2. ATL code

This ATL code for the MOOD4KM3 library consists in 5 helpers.

The implemented metrics from the MOOD and MOOD2 sets only depend on the FLAME functions and are list above. These metrics are defined for package level.



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4.3. EMOOSE for KM3 Library

4.3.1. MOOSE (Metrics for Object-Oriented Software Engineering) and EMOOSE (Extended MOOSE)

Name	MOOSE::WRC - Weighted References per Class
Informal definition	The sum of complexities of the references in the current class. If all
	reference complexities are considered to be unique, WRC is equal to the
	number of references.
	The authors do not propose any algorithm for calculating the
	complexities of references. As such, in the formalization, the
	complexities were considered unitary.
Name	MOOSE::DIT - Depth of Inheritance Tree
Informal definition	The length of the longest path of inheritance from the current class to
	the root of the tree.
Name	MOOSE::NOC - Number Of Children
Informal definition	The number of classes that inherit directly from the current class.
Name	MOOSE::CBO - Coupling Between Objects
Informal definition	The number of other classes that are coupled to the current one. Two
	classes are coupled when references declared in one class use references
	or instance variables defined by the other class.
	Or used as a type or in reference by other classes.
Name	EMOOSE::SIZE2
Informal definition	Number of local attributes and references defined in the class.

4.3.2. ATL code

This ATL code for the *EMOOSE4KM3* library consists in 5 helpers.

The implemented metrics from the MOOSE and EMOOSE sets only depend on the FLAME functions and are list above. These metrics are defined for class level. **Erreur! Source du renvoi introuvable.**



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4.4. QMOOD for KM3 Library

4.4.1. QMOOD (Quality Model for Object-Oriented Design)

Name	QMOOD::DSC - Design Size in Classes
Informal definition	Count of the total number of classes in the design.
Name	QMOOD::NOH - Number of Hierarchies
Informal definition	Count of the number of class hierarchies in the design.
Name	QMOOD::NIC - Number of Independent Classes
Informal definition	Count of the number of Classes that are not inherited by any Class in the
	design.
Name	QMOOD::NSI - Number of Single Inheritance
Informal definition	Number of Classes (sub classes) that use inheritance in the design.
Name	QMOOD::NMI - Number of Multiple Inheritance
Informal definition	Count of the number of instances of multiple inheritance in the design.
Name	QMOOD::NNC - Number of Internal Classes
Informal definition	Count of the number of internal classes defined for creating
	generalization-specialization structures in class hierarchies of the
	design.
Name	QMOOD::NAC - Number of Abstract Classes
Informal definition	Count of the number of classes that have been defined purely for
	organizing information in the design.
Name	QMOOD::NLC - Number of Leaf Classes
Informal definition	Count of the number of leaf classes in the hierarchies of the design.
Name	QMOOD::ADI - Average Depth of Inheritance
Informal definition	The average depth of inheritance of classes in the design. It is computed
	by dividing the summation of maximum path lengths to all classes by
	the number of classes. The path length for a class is the number of edges
.	from the root to the class in an inheritance tree representation.
Name	QMOOD::AWI - Average Width of Inheritance
Informal definition	The average number of children per class in the design. The metric is
	computed by dividing the summation of the number of children over all
Name	classes by the number of classes in the design
Name	QMOOD::ANA - Average Number of Ancestors
Informal definition	The average number of classes from which a class inherits information.
Name Informal definition	QMOOD::MAA - Measure of Attribute Abstraction
Informal definition	The ratio of the number of attributes inherited by a class to the total
Nome	number of attributes in the class.
Name Informal definition	QMOOD::MRA - Measure of Reference Abstraction The ratio of the number of references inherited by a class to the total
informal definition	The ratio of the number of references inherited by a class to the total number of references in the class.
	number of references in the class.



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Name	QMOOD::MOA - Measure of Aggregation
Informal definition	Count of the number of data declarations whose types are user defined
mormar definition	classes.
Name	QMOOD::MRM - Modeled Relationship Measure
Informal definition	Measure of the total number of attribute and parameter based
	relationships in a class.
Name	QMOOD::NOA - Number of Ancestors
Informal definition	Counts the number of distinct classes which a class inherits.
Name	QMOOD::NOR - Number of References
Informal definition	Count of all the references defined in a class.
Name	QMOOD::NOD - Number of Attributes
Informal definition	Number of attributes in the class.
Name	QMOOD::NAD - Number of Abstract Data Types
Informal definition	Number of user defined objects used as attributes in the class and which
	are necessary to instantiate an object instance of the (aggregate) class.
Name	QMOOD::CSM - Class Size Metric
Informal definition	Sum of the number of references and attributes in the class.
Name	QMOOD::DCC - Direct Class Coupling
Informal definition	Count of the different number of classes that a class is directly related
	to. The metric includes classes that are directly related by attribute
	declarations and references.
Name	QMOOD::MCC - Maximum Class Coupling
Informal definition	This metric not only includes classes that are directly related to a class
	by attributes and references, but also classes that are indirectly related
	through the directly related classes.
Name	QMOOD::DAC - Direct Attribute Base Coupling
Informal definition	This metric is a direct count of the number of different class types that
	are declared as attribute references inside a class.
Name	QMOOD::DRC - Direct Reference Base Coupling
Informal definition	This metric is a direct count of the number of different class types that
	are declared as references inside a class.
Name	QMOOD::CCD - Class Complexity Based on Data
Informal definition	Computes complexity based upon the number of components
	(attributes) that are defined in the class. All component declarations are
	resolved to the basic primitives (integers, doubles and characters). The
	metric value is a count of the number of primitives.

4.4.2. ATL code

This ATL code for the QMOOD4KM3 library consists in 25 helpers.



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