

HLI: SPARK Migration Phase 1 - Critical Core Utilities

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1. Executive Summary

Phase 1 SPARK Migration focuses on converting 5 critical Python utilities to formally verified Ada SPARK code. These utilities form the foundation of STUNIR's safety-critical operations:

#	Python Module	SPARK Component	Lines	Criticality	Proofs
1	stunir_types/ type_system.py	core/ type_system/	~800	HIGH	~40
2	ir/control_flow.py	core/ ir_transform/	~600	HIGH	~35
3	semantic/ checker.py	core/semantic_checker/	~400	HIGH	~25
4	parsers/ parse_ir.py	core/ ir_validator/	~200	MEDIUM	~15
5	validators/ validate_ir.py	core/ ir_validator/	~200	MEDIUM	~15

Total Estimated: ~2,200 Ada lines, ~130 SPARK proofs

2. Analysis of Python Components

2.1 Type System (`tools/stunir_types/type_system.py`)

Purpose: Comprehensive type system for cross-language code generation.

Key Abstractions:

- `TypeKind` enum (24 variants)
- `STUNIRType` abstract base class
- Type classes: `IntType`, `FloatType`, `PointerType`, `ArrayType`, `StructType`, etc.
- `TypeRegistry` for managing named types
- `parse_type()` for type string parsing

Critical Operations:

- Type creation with validation
- Type compatibility checking
- Type serialization to IR representation
- Type registry lookup (O(1) access required)

Safety Requirements:

- No invalid type states
- Bounded memory allocation
- Deterministic type comparison
- No runtime exceptions

2.2 Control Flow Analysis (`tools/ir/control_flow.py`)

Purpose: Control flow graph construction and analysis.

Key Abstractions:

- `BasicBlock` with predecessors/successors
- `ControlFlowGraph` container
- `LoopInfo` and `BranchInfo` structures
- `ControlFlowAnalyzer` for IR analysis
- `ControlFlowTranslator` for target code generation

Critical Operations:

- Dominator computation (iterative algorithm)
- Natural loop detection
- Branch merge point detection
- CFG serialization

Safety Requirements:

- No graph corruption
- Bounded traversal (no infinite loops)
- Correct dominator calculation
- Memory-safe block management

2.3 Semantic Checker (`tools/semantic/checker.py`)

Purpose: Semantic analysis and dead code detection.

Key Abstractions:

- `CheckKind` enum
- `CheckResult` with severity levels

- `DeadCodeDetector` for unused code
- `UnreachableCodeDetector` for control flow analysis
- `ConstantExpressionEvaluator` for compile-time evaluation

Critical Operations:

- Dead variable/function detection
- Unreachable code detection
- Constant folding
- Semantic issue reporting

Safety Requirements:

- No false negatives (missed issues)
- Bounded analysis time
- Deterministic results
- No side effects

2.4 IR Parser (`tools/parsers/parse_ir.py`)

Purpose: Parse and validate IR JSON files.

Key Operations:

- Schema validation
- Required/optional field checking
- Module name validation
- Function structure validation

2.5 IR Validator (`tools/validators/validate_ir.py`)

Purpose: Deep validation of IR against schema.

Key Operations:

- Schema lookup and validation
 - Content hash computation
 - Canonical JSON generation
 - Error/warning reporting
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3. SPARK Architecture Design

3.1 Package Structure

```

core/
  type_system/
    stunir_types.ads      -- Type kind enumerations
    stunir_types.adb     -- Type kind implementations
    stunir_type_registry.ads -- Type registry specification
    stunir_type_registry.adb -- Type registry implementation
    stunir_type_utils.ads -- Type utility functions
  ir_transform/
    ir_basic_blocks.ads   -- Basic block representation
    ir_basic_blocks.adb   -- Basic block implementation
    ir_control_flow.ads   -- CFG specification
    ir_control_flow.adb   -- CFG implementation
    ir_dominators.ads    -- Dominator analysis
  semantic_checker/
    semantic_analysis.ads -- Analysis specification
    semantic_analysis.adb -- Analysis implementation
    dead_code_detector.ads -- Dead code detection
    constant_evaluator.ads -- Constant expression evaluation
  ir_validator/
    ir_parser.ads         -- IR parsing specification
    ir_parser.adb          -- IR parsing implementation
    ir_validator.ads       -- Validation specification
    ir_validator.adb       -- Validation implementation
  common/
    stunir_strings.ads    -- Bounded string types
    stunir_hashes.ads     -- SHA-256 implementation
    stunir_json.ads        -- JSON handling

```

3.2 Key SPARK Design Decisions

1. **Bounded Containers:** Use `Ada.Containers.Formal_*` for provable containers
2. **No Exceptions:** Replace with discriminated result types
3. **Static Allocation:** Maximum sizes defined at compile time
4. **Explicit State:** All mutable state in explicit records
5. **Contract-Based Design:** Pre/postconditions on all operations

4. Data Structure Mappings

4.1 Type System Mappings

Python	Ada SPARK
enum TypeKind	type Type_Kind is (...)
class STUNIRType(ABC)	type STUNIR_Type is tagged limited private
@dataclass IntType	type Int_Type is new STUNIR_Type with record...
Dict[str, STUNIRType]	Formal_Hashed_Maps.Map
List[StructField]	Formal_Vectors.Vector
Optional[Lifetime]	type Opt_Lifetime is (None, Some with ...)

4.2 Control Flow Mappings

Python	Ada SPARK
class BasicBlock	type Basic_Block is limited private
List[int] successors	Block_Set (bounded vector)
Set[int] dominators	Dominator_Set (formal set)
Dict[int, BasicBlock]	Block_Map (formal map)
LoopInfo	type Loop_Info is record...

4.3 Semantic Checker Mappings

Python	Ada SPARK
enum CheckKind	type Check_Kind is (...)
CheckResult	type Check_Result is record...
Dict[str, int]	Name_Count_Map
Set[str]	Name_Set

5. Algorithm Translations

5.1 Dominator Computation

Python (iterative):

```

def compute_dominators(self) -> None:
    all_blocks = set(self.blocks.keys())
    for block_id in self.blocks:
        if block_id == self.entry_id:
            self.blocks[block_id].dominators = {block_id}
        else:
            self.blocks[block_id].dominators = all_blocks.copy()

    changed = True
    while changed:
        changed = False
        for block_id in self.blocks:
            if block_id == self.entry_id:
                continue
            # Dom(n) = {n} ∪ (n Dom(p) for p in pred(n))
            new_doms = all_blocks.copy()
            for pred_id in self.blocks[block_id].predecessors:
                new_doms &= self.blocks[pred_id].dominators
            new_doms.add(block_id)
            if new_doms != self.blocks[block_id].dominators:
                self.blocks[block_id].dominators = new_doms
                changed = True

```

Ada SPARK:

```

procedure Compute_Dominators (CFG : in out Control_Flow_Graph)
  with
    Global => null,
    Pre => CFG.Entry_Block /= No_Block and CFG.Block_Count > 0,
    Post => All_Dominators_Valid (CFG)
is
  Changed : Boolean := True;
begin
  -- Initialize: entry dominates only itself
  Initialize_Dominators (CFG);

  -- Iterate until fixed point (bounded by block count squared)
  while Changed loop
    pragma Loop_Variant (Decreases => Remaining_Changes (CFG));
    Changed := False;

    for Block_Id in CFG.Blocks'Range loop
      if Block_Id /= CFG.Entry_Block then
        declare
          New_Doms : constant Dominator_Set :=
            Compute_New_Dominators (CFG, Block_Id);
        begin
          if New_Doms /= Get_Dominators (CFG, Block_Id) then
            Set_Dominators (CFG, Block_Id, New_Doms);
            Changed := True;
          end if;
        end;
      end if;
    end loop;
  end loop;
end Compute_Dominators;

```

5.2 Dead Code Detection

Python:

```

def _is_terminating(self, stmt: Any) -> bool:
  if not isinstance(stmt, dict):
    return False
  stmt_type = stmt.get('type', '')
  return stmt_type in ('return', 'break', 'continue', 'goto', 'throw')

```

Ada SPARK:

```

function Is_Terminating (Stmt : Statement) return Boolean is
  (case Stmt.Kind is
    when Return_Stmt | Break_Stmt | Continue_Stmt | Goto_Stmt | Throw_Stmt => True,
    when others => False)
  with Inline;

```

6. Formal Specifications

6.1 Type System Contracts

```

package Stunir_Types is
    pragma SPARK_Mode (On);

    type Type_Kind is (
        Void_Kind, Bool_Kind, Int_Kind, Float_Kind, Char_Kind, String_Kind,
        Pointer_Kind, Reference_Kind, Array_Kind, Slice_Kind,
        Struct_Kind, Union_Kind, Enum_Kind, Tagged_Union_Kind,
        Function_Kind, Closure_Kind, Generic_Kind, Type_Var_Kind,
        Opaque_Kind, Recursive_Kind, Optional_Kind, Result_Kind,
        Tuple_Kind, Unit_Kind);

    Max_Type_Name_Length : constant := 256;
    subtype Type_Name is String (1 .. Max_Type_Name_Length);

    type Int_Bits is range 8 .. 128
        with Static_Predicate => Int_Bits in 8 | 16 | 32 | 64 | 128;

    type STUNIR_Type (Kind : Type_Kind := Void_Kind) is record
        case Kind is
            when Int_Kind =>
                Bits : Int_Bits := 32;
                Signed : Boolean := True;
            when Float_Kind =>
                Float_Bits : Int_Bits := 64;
            when Pointer_Kind =>
                Pointee_Kind : Type_Kind;
                Nullable : Boolean := True;
            when Array_Kind =>
                Element_Kind : Type_Kind;
                Array_Size : Natural := 0; -- 0 = dynamic
            when Struct_Kind =>
                Field_Count : Natural := 0;
            when others =>
                null;
        end case;
    end record;

    function Is_Valid (T : STUNIR_Type) return Boolean
        with Post => Is_Valid'Result = (T.Kind in Type_Kind);

    function Is_Primitive (T : STUNIR_Type) return Boolean is
        (T.Kind in Void_Kind | Bool_Kind | Int_Kind | Float_Kind | Char_Kind |
        Unit_Kind);

    function Is_Pointer_Like (T : STUNIR_Type) return Boolean is
        (T.Kind in Pointer_Kind | Reference_Kind | Slice_Kind);

end Stunir_Types;

```

6.2 Control Flow Contracts

```

package IR_Control_Flow is
  pragma SPARK_Mode (On);

  Max_Blocks : constant := 10_000;
  Max_Successors : constant := 64;

  type Block_Id is range 0 .. Max_Blocks - 1;
  No_Block : constant Block_Id := Block_Id'First;

  type Block_Type is (
    Entry_Block, Exit_Block, Normal_Block, Conditional_Block,
    Loop_Header_Block, Loop_Body_Block, Loop_Exit_Block,
    Switch_Block, Case_Block, Try_Block, Catch_Block, Finally_Block);

  type Successor_Array is array (Positive range <>) of Block_Id
  with Dynamic_Predicate => Successor_Array'Length <= Max_Successors;

  type Basic_Block is record
    Id          : Block_Id := No_Block;
    Block_Kind   : Block_Type := Normal_Block;
    Successors   : Successor_Count := 0;
    Predecessors : Predecessor_Count := 0;
    Loop_Depth    : Natural := 0;
    Is_Loop_Header : Boolean := False;
  end record;

  type Control_Flow_Graph is limited private;

  procedure Add_Edge (
    CFG      : in out Control_Flow_Graph;
    From_Id  : Block_Id;
    To_Id    : Block_Id)
  with
    Pre => From_Id /= No_Block and To_Id /= No_Block and
           Block_Exists (CFG, From_Id) and Block_Exists (CFG, To_Id),
    Post => Has_Edge (CFG, From_Id, To_Id);

  function Dominates (
    CFG : Control_Flow_Graph;
    A   : Block_Id;
    B   : Block_Id) return Boolean
  with
    Pre => Block_Exists (CFG, A) and Block_Exists (CFG, B);

private
  type Block_Array is array (Block_Id) of Basic_Block;

  type Control_Flow_Graph is record
    Blocks      : Block_Array;
    Block_Count : Natural := 0;
    Entry_Block : Block_Id := No_Block;
    Exit_Block  : Block_Id := No_Block;
  end record;

end IR_Control_Flow;

```

6.3 Semantic Checker Contracts

```

package Semantic_Analysis is
  pragma SPARK_Mode (On);

  type Check_Kind is (
    Type_Compatibility, Null_Safety, Bounds_Check, Overflow_Check,
    Dead_Code, Unreachable_Code, Resource_Leak, Constant_Expression,
    Purity, Side_Effects);

  type Warning_Severity is (Info, Warning, Error, Fatal);

  type Check_Result is record
    Kind      : Check_Kind;
    Passed    : Boolean;
    Severity  : Warning_Severity := Info;
  end record;

  type Check_Results is array (Positive range <>) of Check_Result
  with Dynamic_Predicate => Check_Results'Length <= 1000;

  procedure Analyze_Dead_Code (
    IR       : IR_Data;
    Results : out Check_Results;
    Count   : out Natural)
  with
    Pre  => IR_Is_Valid (IR),
    Post => Count <= Results'Length and
              (for all I in 1 .. Count => Results (I).Kind = Dead_Code);

  function Is_Terminating (Stmt : Statement) return Boolean
  with Pure_Function;

end Semantic_Analysis;

```

7. Integration Strategy

7.1 Foreign Function Interface

```

-- C interface for Python interoperability
package Stunir_C_Interface is
  pragma SPARK_Mode (Off); -- FFI not SPARK-provable

  function Create_Type_Registry return System.Address
  with Export, Convention => C, External_Name => "stunir_create_registry";

  function Register_Type (
    Registry : System.Address;
    Name     : Interfaces.C.Strings.chars_ptr;
    Kind     : Interfaces.C.int) return Interfaces.C.int
  with Export, Convention => C, External_Name => "stunir_register_type";

end Stunir_C_Interface;

```

7.2 Build Integration

GNAT Project File (stunir_core.gpr):

```

project Stunir_Core is
  for Source_Dirs use (
    "core/type_system",
    "core/ir_transform",
    "core/semantic_checker",
    "core/ir_validator",
    "core/common"
  );

  for Object_Dir use "obj";
  for Library_Dir use "lib";
  for Library_Name use "stunir_core";
  for Library_Kind use "static";

  package Compiler is
    for Default_Switches ("Ada") use (
      "-gnat2022",           -- Ada 2022
      "-gnata",               -- Enable assertions
      "-gnatwa",              -- All warnings
      "-gnatwe",              -- Warnings as errors
      "-gnatVa",              -- All validity checks
      "-gnato13"              -- Overflow checks
    );
  end Compiler;

  package Prove is
    for Proof_Switches ("Ada") use (
      "--level=2",            -- Medium proof effort
      "--timeout=60",          -- 60 seconds per VC
      "--prover=all"           -- Use all provers
    );
  end Prove;
end Stunir_Core;

```

8. Test Strategy

8.1 Unit Tests

```

-- Test package for type system
package Stunir_Types_Tests is

  procedure Test_Int_Type_Creation;
  procedure Test_Pointer_Type_Creation;
  procedure Test_Array_Type_Creation;
  procedure Test_Type_Registry_Lookup;
  procedure Test_Type_Equality;

end Stunir_Types_Tests;

```

8.2 Equivalence Tests

For each migrated component, create Python-SPARK equivalence tests:

```
# tests/equivalence/test_type_system.py
import ctypes
import json
from tools.stunir_types.type_system import IntType, TypeRegistry

# Load SPARK library
spark_lib = ctypes.CDLL('./lib/libstunir_core.so')

def test_int_type_equivalence():
    """Verify Python and SPARK produce identical results."""
    # Python
    py_type = IntType(bits=32, signed=True)
    py_ir = py_type.to_ir()

    # SPARK (via FFI)
    spark_registry = spark_lib.stunir_create_registry()
    spark_type_id = spark_lib.stunir_create_int_type(32, 1)
    spark_ir = json.loads(spark_lib.stunir_type_to_json(spark_type_id))

    assert py_ir == spark_ir, f"Mismatch: {py_ir} vs {spark_ir}"
```

8.3 Property-Based Tests

```
-- Property tests using GNATtest
procedure Test_Dominator_Properties is
    CFG : Control_Flow_Graph;
begin
    -- Property: Every block dominates itself
    for B in CFG.Blocks'Range loop
        pragma Assert (Dominates (CFG, B, B));
    end loop;

    -- Property: Entry dominates all reachable blocks
    for B in CFG.Blocks'Range loop
        if Is_Reachable (CFG, B) then
            pragma Assert (Dominates (CFG, CFG.Entry_Block, B));
        end if;
    end loop;
end Test_Dominator_Properties;
```

9. Implementation Guidance

9.1 Priority Order

1. **Common utilities** (strings, hashes) - Foundation
2. **Type system** - Required by all other components
3. **IR validator/parser** - Input validation
4. **Control flow** - Depends on types
5. **Semantic checker** - Depends on all above

9.2 Key Patterns

Result Type Pattern (replacing exceptions):

```

type Result_Kind is (Ok, Err);

type Parse_Result (Kind : Result_Kind := Err) is record
  case Kind is
    when Ok =>
      Value : IR_Data;
    when Err =>
      Error_Code : Error_Kind;
      Error_Msg : Error_Message;
  end case;
end record;

```

Bounded String Pattern:

```

Max_String_Length : constant := 1024;
subtype Bounded_String is String (1 .. Max_String_Length);
type Bounded_String_Holder is record
  Data : Bounded_String := (others => ' ');
  Length : Natural := 0;
end record;

```

10. Expected Outcomes

10.1 Deliverables

- 10-15 Ada specification files (.ads)
- 10-15 Ada body files (.adb)
- 1 GNAT project file (.gpr)
- 1 Makefile for automation
- ~2,200 lines of Ada SPARK code
- ~130 proven verification conditions
- Documentation and examples

10.2 Proof Targets

Component	VCs Target	Effort
Type System	~40	Medium
Control Flow	~35	High
Semantic Checker	~25	Medium
IR Validator	~30	Low
Total	~130	

10.3 Success Criteria

- All SPARK proofs pass (`gnatprove clean`)
- Functional equivalence with Python versions

- No runtime exceptions possible
 - All tests passing (2,138+ existing + new)
 - Integration with existing STUNIR build
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Appendix A: File Mapping Reference

Python Source	SPARK Target
stunir_types/type_system.py	core/type_system/stunir_types.ads/adb
ir/control_flow.py	core/ir_transform/ir_control_flow.ads/adb
semantic/checker.py	core/semantic_checker/semant-ic_analysis.ads/adb
parsers/parse_ir.py	core/ir_validator/ir_parser.ads/adb
validators/validate_ir.py	core/ir_validator/ir_validator.ads/adb

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