



A simple yet powerful translator that  
converts Swift into C++.

# Our Goal

```
...  
print("Hello, World!")  
class A {  
    var a: Int = 1  
}  
var b = "Aha!"  
for i in 1...10 {  
    b += "yo"  
}  
...
```

Convert a Swift file ...

# Our Goal

... into an equivalent cpp file that  
can be compiled and run  
instantly

```
...  
class A {  
    int a = 1;  
};  
int main() {  
    print("Hello, World!");  
    string b = "Aha!";  
    for (int i = 0; i <= 10; ++i) {  
        b += "yo";  
    }  
...  

```

# Overview

inout  
class  
struct  
enum  
func  
switch  
while  
repeat while  
if else  
typealias  
for in

# Overview

no auto

type inference

no c++11 for style

simple error checking

# Tools



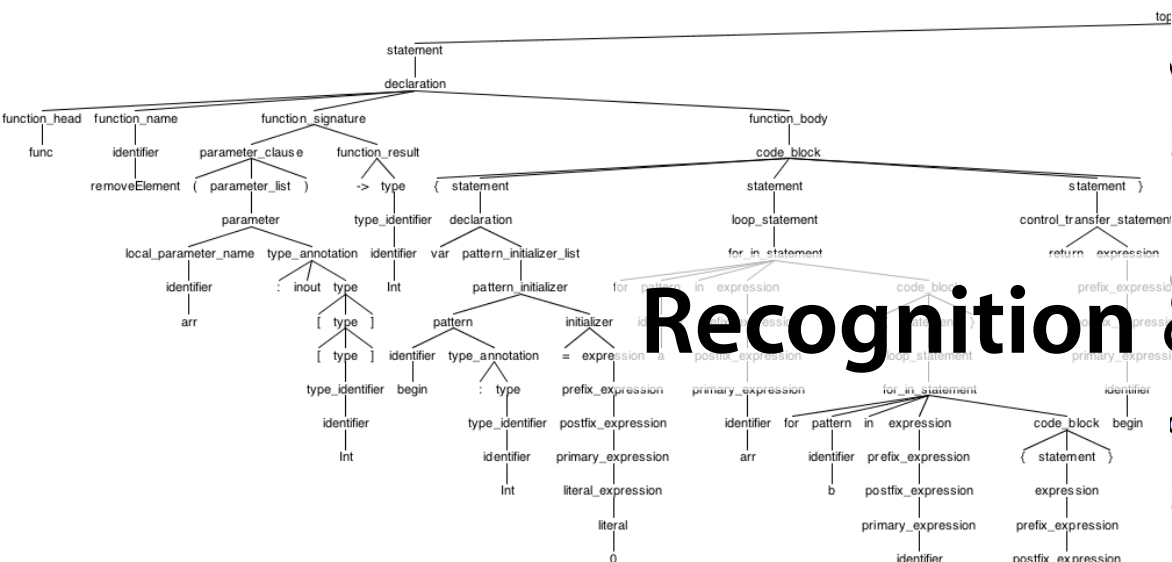
**ANTLR**



**Java™**



# A two-step procedure



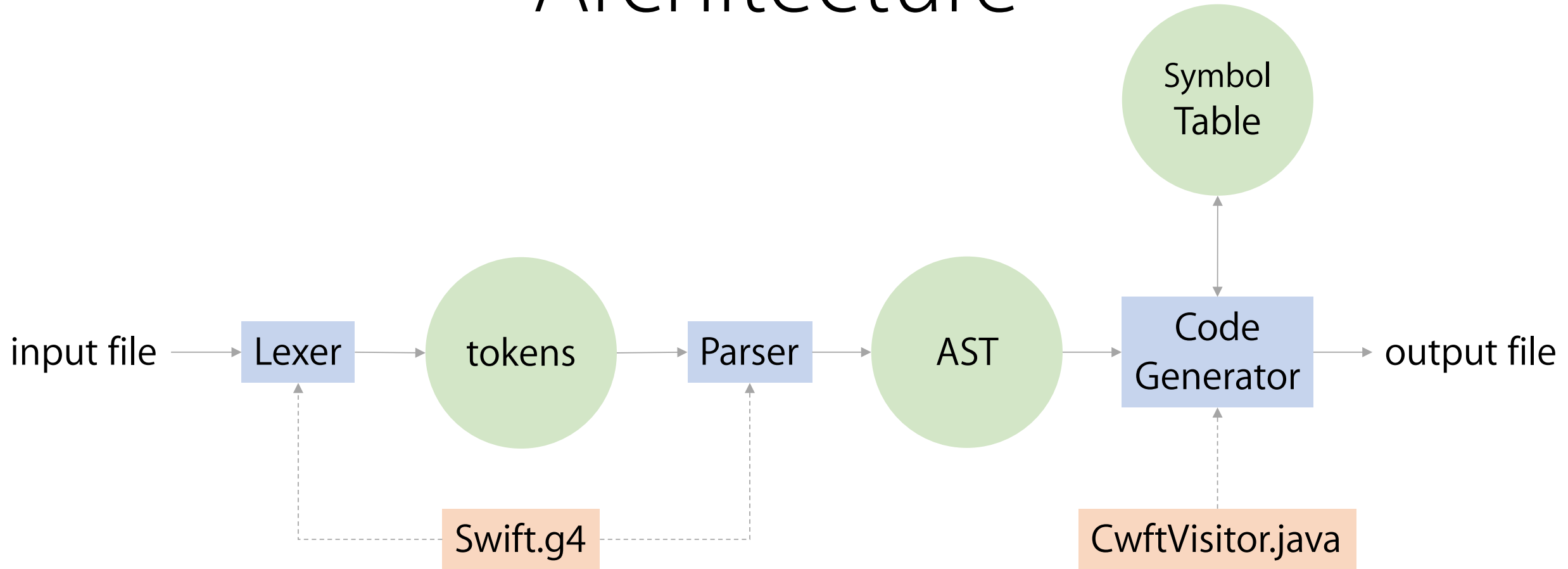
```
visitPrimary_expression(SwiftParser.Primary_expressionContext ctx) {  
    = super.visitPrimary_expression(ctx);  
};
```

# & Translation

```
visitArray_literal_express(SwiftParser.Array_literal_expressContext ctx) {
    literal
    ctx.visitArray_literal_express(ctx.literal_express);
}
```

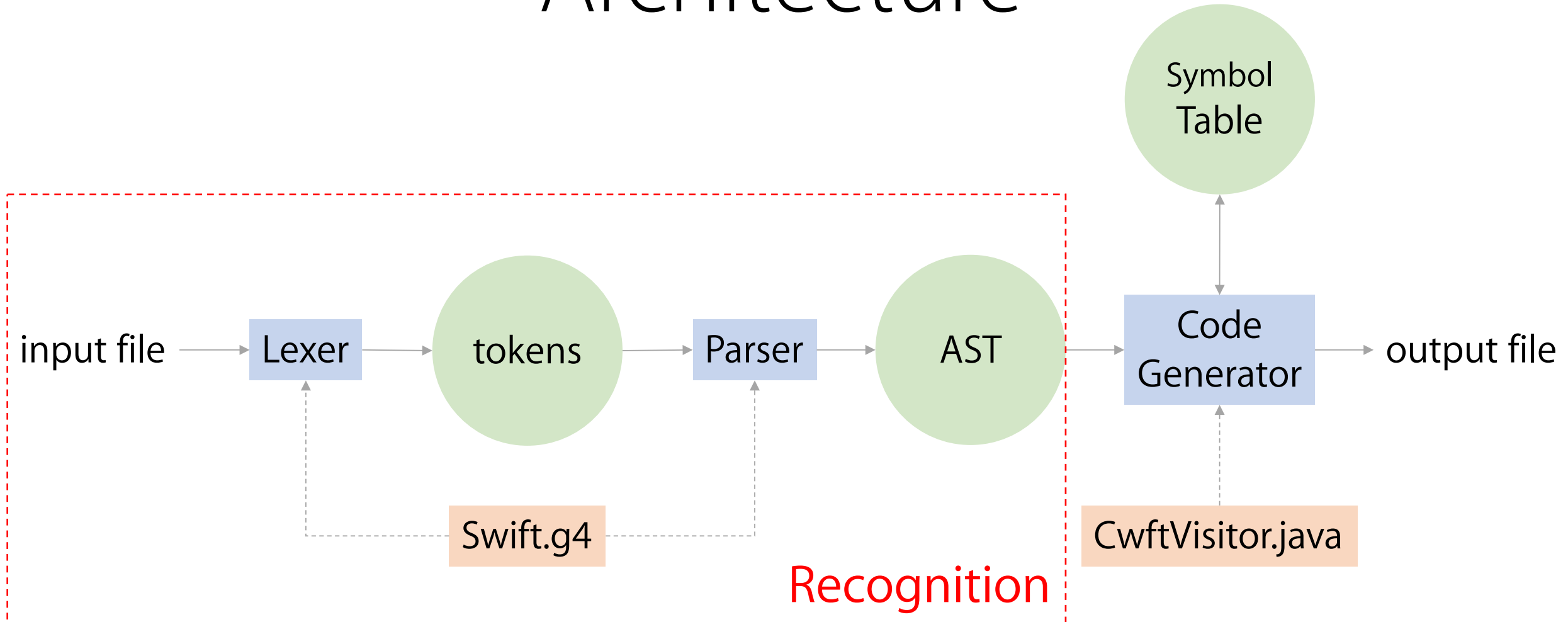
```
visitDict_literal_express(SwiftParser.Dict_literal_expressContext ctx) {  
    ary_literal  
    er.visitDict_literal_express(ctx);  
}
```

# Architecture

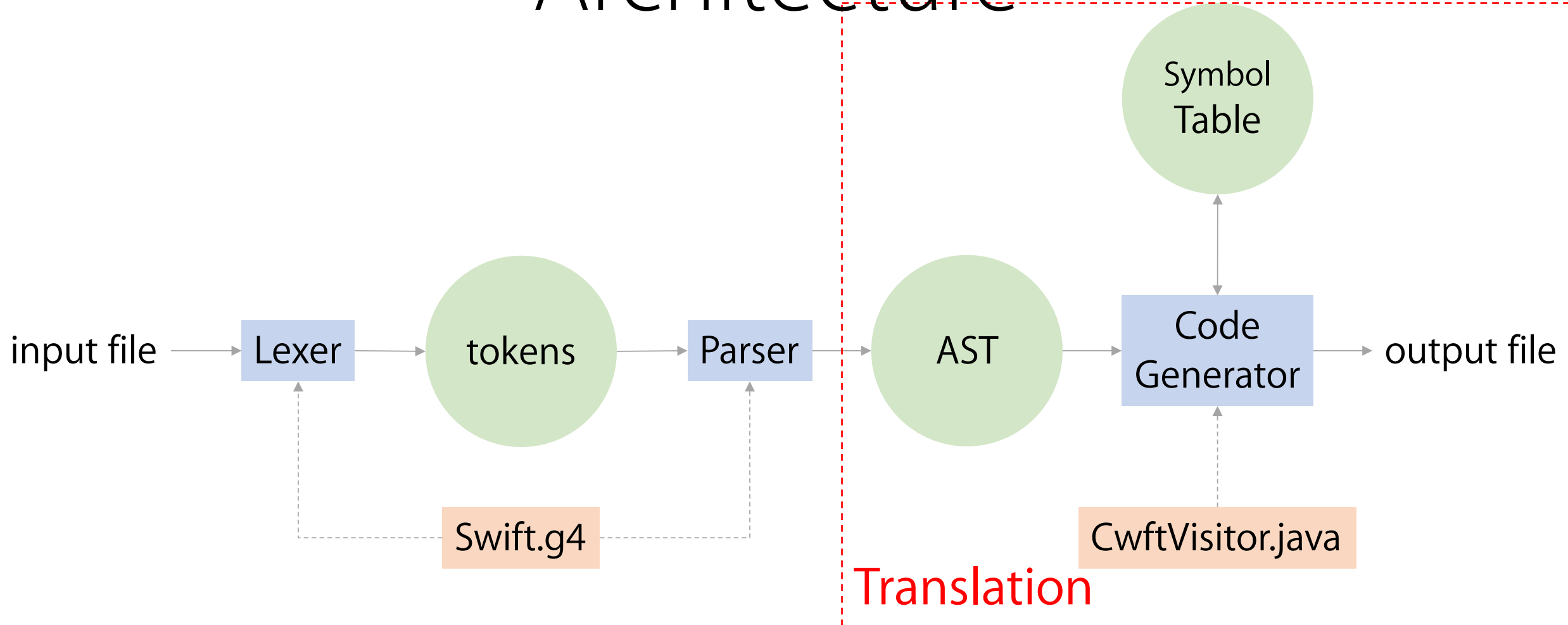




# Architecture



# Architecture



# Recognition

lexer

parser

# lexer

comment

key word

operator

separator

literal

identifier

white space

# lexer

comment `// a comment`

key word

operator

separator

literal

identifier

white space

# lexer

comment

key word    **inout class enum**

operator

separator

literal

identifier

white space

# lexer

comment

key word

operator     $\rightarrow$     +    -    . . .    +=

separator

literal

identifier

white space

# lexer

comment

key word

operator

separator , . : [ ] ( ) { }

literal

identifier

white space



# lexer

comment

key word

operator

separator

literal    123   12.34   true   "hello"

identifier

white space

# lexer

comment

key word

operator

separator

literal

identifier   **abc**   **a\_b\_c\_**

white space

# lexer

comment

key word

operator

separator

literal

identifier

white space    \r\n\t

parser

**statement**

parser

**statement**

expression

declaration

loop statement

branch statement

control transfer statement

parser

statement

**expression**

parser

statement

**expression**

prefix-expression binary-expression<sub>opt</sub>

parser

expression

**binary-expression**

binary-operator prefix-expression

= prefix-expression

? expression : prefix-expression



# parser

statement

**declaration**

constant-declaration

variable-declaration

typealias-declaration

function-declaration

enum-declaration

struct-declaration

class-declaration

parser

statement

**loop-statement**

for-in-statement

while-statement

repeat-while-statement

parser

statement

**branch-statement**

if-statement

switch-statement

parser

statement

**control-transfer-statement**

**break**

**continue**

**fallthrough**

**return expression**

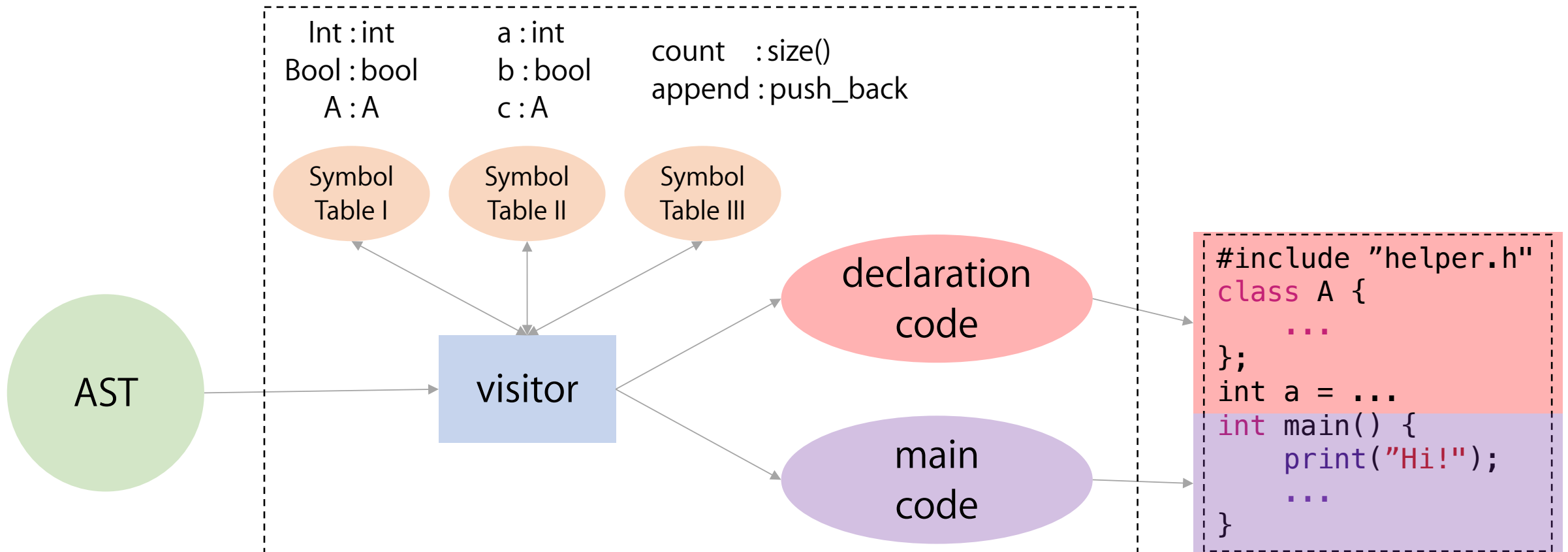
# Reference



The Swift  
Programming  
Language

*Swift 3 Edition*

# Translation

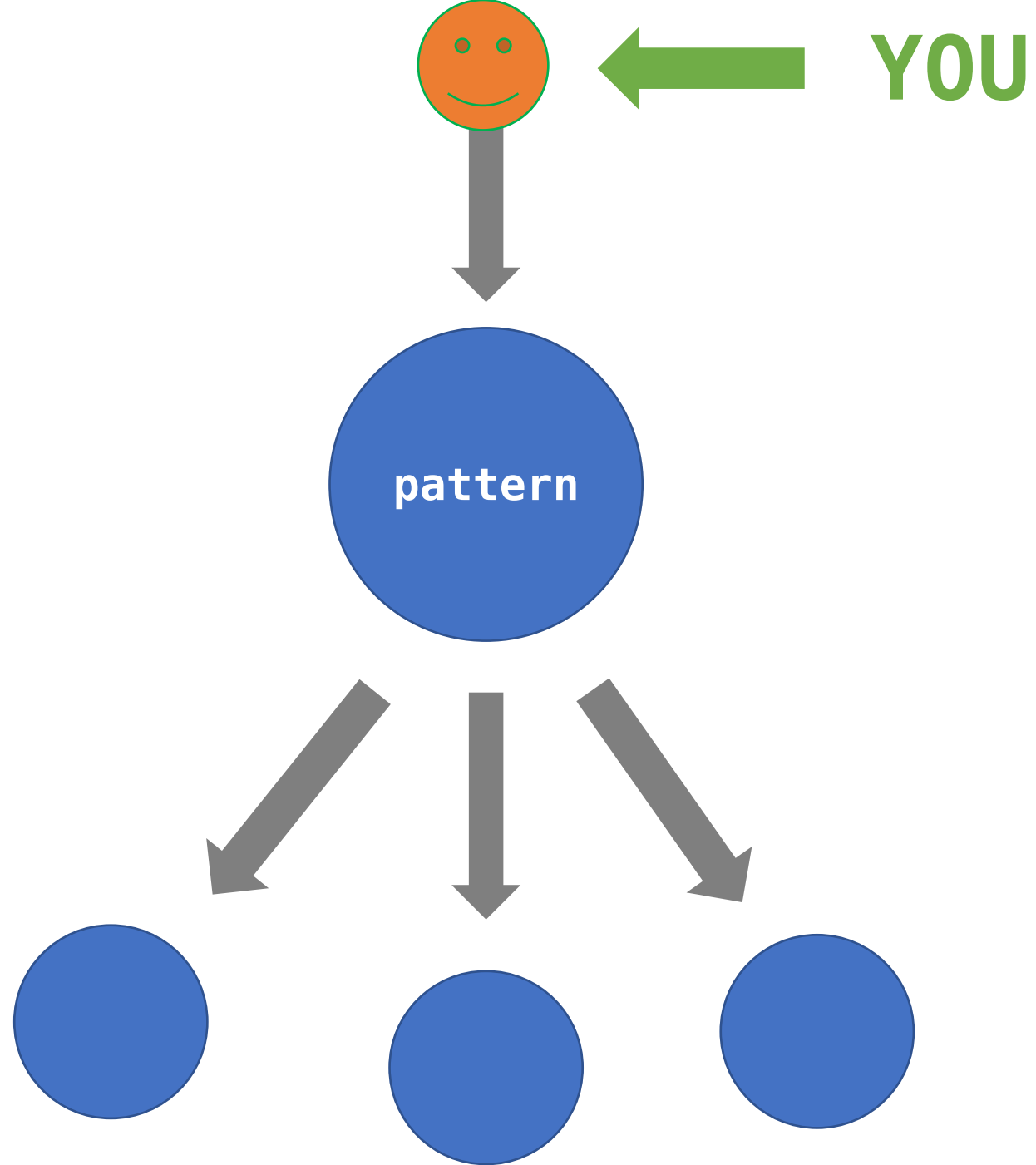


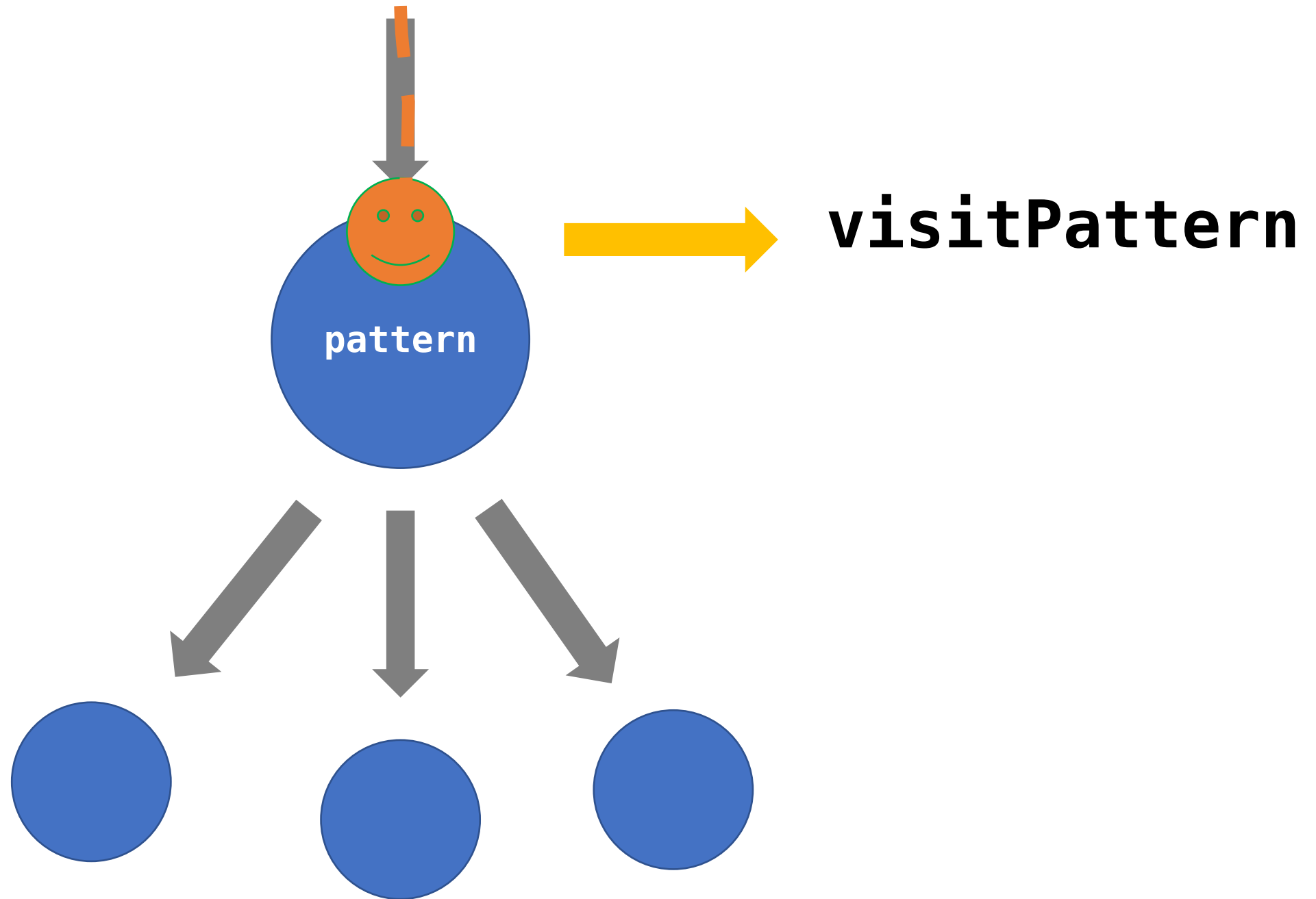
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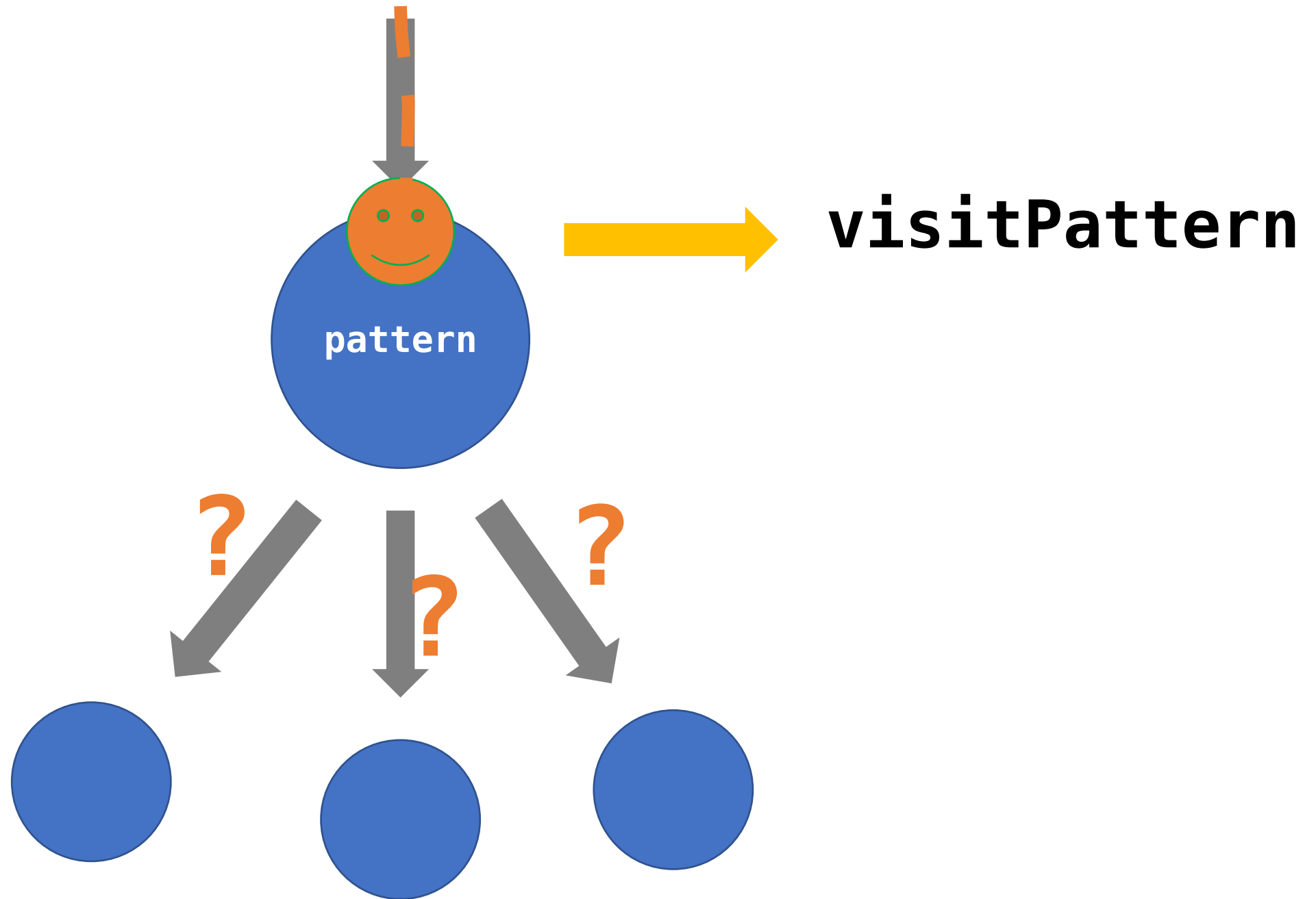
**visitor**

you travel the tree **on your own**,  
**decide the order**, or even **stop**











```
visitPattern {
```

```
    // do sth
```

```
    // sth more
```

```
    // still not done
```

```
    return val;
```

```
}
```

# Details

# literal

123  
12.3  
true  
"123"

123  
12.3  
true  
"123"

# typealias

typealias **A** = Int

typedef int **A**;

# class member

```
array.count  
array.append(1)
```

```
array.size();  
array.push_back(1);
```



# while

```
while true {  
  
}
```

```
while (true) {  
  
}
```

if

```
if a < b {  
  
} else {  
  
}
```

```
if (a < b) {  
  
} else {  
  
}
```

# struct / class

```
struct A {  
    var a: Int = 8  
}  
class B {  
    var b: Int = 8  
}
```

```
class A {  
    int a = 8;  
};  
class B {  
    int b = 8;  
};
```

# array / dict

[1, 2, 3, 4, 5]

["a": 1, "b": 2, "c": 3]

{1, 2, 3, 4, 5}

{{"a": 1}, {"b": 2}, {"c": 3}}

# declaration

```
let a: Int = 4, b = 3.14,  
c = [1,2,3]
```

```
const int a = 4;  
const double b = 3.14;  
const vector<int> c = {1,2,3};
```

\* need c++11

# enum

```
enum C {  
    case a, b, c  
    case d, e, f  
}
```

```
enum C {  
    a, b, c, d, e, f  
};
```

# function

```
func f(a:Int) -> [Int] {  
    ...  
}
```

```
vector<int> f(int a) {  
    ...  
}
```

# switch

```
switch a {  
case 1:  
    fallthrough  
case 2:  
    print("ha")  
default:  
    break  
}
```

```
switch (a) {  
case 1:  
case 2:  
    print("ha");  
    break;  
default:  
    break;  
}
```



# for-in

```
for item in array {  
}
```

```
for i in 1..<5 {  
}
```

```
for (vector<int>::iterator it  
= array.begin(); it !=  
array.end(); ++it) {  
    int item = *it;  
}
```

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



```
visitPattern {
```

```
    // do sth
```

```
    // sth more
```

```
    // still not done
```

```
    return val;
```

```
}
```

# Return Type

```
class Record {  
    List<String> code;  
    Type type;  
    boolean isType;  
}
```

# isType

```
var a = [6]  
var b = [Int]()
```

```
vector<int> a = {6};  
vector<int> b = vector<int>();
```

# Type Class

```
class Type {  
    String basic;  
    Type type1;  
    Type type2;  
    int wrap;  
    public String toString();  
}
```

# Type Inference

Add

init  
typealias  
enum(case)  
struct  
class  
declaration  
function(param)

Check

identifier  
declaration  
param  
enum(case)

# Type Inference

```
var array = [1,2,3,4,5,6]  
var item = array[1]  
for i in array {  
  
}
```

# Process

```
// generate parser and lexer  
$ antlr4 -no-listener -visitor Swift.g4  
// hook them up  
$ javac Master.java Swift*.java  
// generate target code  
$ java Master test.swift > res.cpp  
// compile...  
$ g++ -std=c++11 res.cpp  
// ...and run  
$ ./a.out
```



# Examples

```
var randomNumbers = [42, 12, 88, 62, 63, 56, 1, 77, 88,
97, 97, 20, 45, 91, 62, 2, 15, 31, 59, 5]
func quickSort(array: [Int]) -> [Int] {
    var less = [Int]()
    var equal = [Int]()
    var greater = [Int]()

    if array.count > 1 {
        let pivot = array[0]

        for x in array {
            if x < pivot {
                less.append(x)
            } else if x == pivot {
                equal.append(x)
            } else {
                greater.append(x)
            }
        }

        return (quickSort(array: less) + equal +
quickSort(array: greater))
    } else {
        return array
    }
}
print(quickSort(array: randomNumbers))
```

```

#include "helper.cpp"
vector<int> randomNumbers = {42, 12, 88, 62, 63, 56, 1, 77, 88, 97, 97, 20, 45, 91, 62,
2, 15, 31, 59, 5};
vector<int> quickSort(vector<int> array)
{
    vector<int> less = vector<int>();
    vector<int> equal = vector<int>();
    vector<int> greater = vector<int>();
    if (array.size() > 1)
    {
        const int pivot = array[0];
        for (vector<int>::iterator it = array.begin(); it != array.end(); ++it)
        {
            int x = *it;
            if (x < pivot)
            {
                less.push_back(x);
            }
            else
            {
                if (x == pivot)
                {
                    equal.push_back(x);
                }
                else
                {
                    greater.push_back(x);
                }
            }
        }
        return (quickSort(less) + equal + quickSort(greater));
    }
    else
    {
        return array;
    }
}

int main() {
    print(quickSort(randomNumbers));
    return 0;
}

```

```

#include "helper.cpp"
vector<int> randomNumbers = {42, 12, 88, 62, 63, 56, 1, 77, 88, 97, 97, 20, 45, 91, 62,
2, 15, 31, 59, 5};
vector<int> quickSort(vector<int> array)
{
    vector<int> less = vector<int>();
    vector<int> equal = vector<int>();
    vector<int> greater = vector<int>();
    if (array.size() > 1)
    {
        const int pivot = array[0];
        for (vector<int>::iterator it = array.begin(); it != array.end(); ++it)
        {
            int x = *it;
            if (x < pivot)
                less.push_back(x);
            else if (x == pivot)
                equal.push_back(x);
            else
                greater.push_back(x);
        }
        return (quickSort(less) + equal + quickSort(greater));
    }
    else
    {
        return array;
    }
}

int main() {
    print(quickSort(randomNumbers));
    return 0;
}

```

```

const int pivot = array[0];
for (vector<int>::iterator it = array.begin();
it != array.end(); ++it)
{
    int x = *it;

```

```
class A {  
    var a: Int = 5  
    var b: Double = 6  
    func f(d: Int) -> Int {  
        return a + b  
    }  
}  
var c = A()  
print(c.f(d: 2))
```

```
#include "helper.cpp"  
class A  
{  
public:  
    int a = 5;  
    double b = 6;  
    int f(int d)  
    {  
        return a + b;  
    }  
};  
A c = A();  
int main() {  
    print(c.f(2));  
    return 0;  
}
```

```
enum A {  
    case a, b, c  
}  
var cc = A.a  
switch cc {  
case .a:  
    print("haha")  
case .b:  
    print("hehe")  
default:  
    print("hoho")  
}
```

```
#include "helper.cpp"  
enum A  
{  
    a,b,c,  
};  
A cc = a;  
int main() {  
    switch (cc)  
    {  
        case a:  
            print("haha");  
            break;  
        case b:  
            print("hehe");  
            break;  
        default:  
            print("hoho");  
    }  
    return 0;  
}
```

```
func f(a: inout Int) -> Int {  
    a = 10  
    return 8  
}  
var b = 5  
print(f(a:&b)+b)
```

```
#include  
"helper.cpp"  
int f(int & a)  
{  
    a = 10;  
    return 8;  
}  
int b = 5;  
int main() {  
    print(f(b) + b);  
    return 0;  
}
```

```

func printElement(arr: inout [[Int]]) {
    for a in arr {
        for b in a {
            print(b)
        }
    }
}

var c = [[1,2,3,4],[5,6,7,8]]
printElement(arr: &c)

```

```

#include "helper.cpp"
void printElement (vector<vector<int>> &
arr)
{
    int begin = 0;
    for (vector<vector<int>>::iterator it
= arr.begin(); it != arr.end(); ++it)
    {
        vector<int> a = *it;
        for (vector<int>::iterator it =
a.begin(); it != a.end(); ++it)
        {
            int b = *it;
            print(b);
        }
    }
}

vector<vector<int>> c = {{1, 2, 3, 4}, {5,
6, 7, 8}};
int main() {
    printElement(c);
    return 0;
}

```



```
var a = 10
// please don't ignore me!!
print(a)
```

You WISH!!

```
#include "helper.cpp"
int a = 10;
int main() {
    print(a);
    return 0;
}
```

# Error Checking

```
var a = 1  
var a = "a string"
```

Error: a already defined!

# Future Work

~~works that are not done yet and will never be done~~

generics

optional

tuple

where-clause

...

# Lessons Learned

start early!

start with simple cases

first make it run, then make it run fast (and beautiful)

languages are alike

don't try to make it right at the 1<sup>st</sup> time



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