

# Prototyping Controlled Mathematical Languages in Jupyter Notebooks

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```
compute(cardinality(alternating_group(int_term(5))))
```

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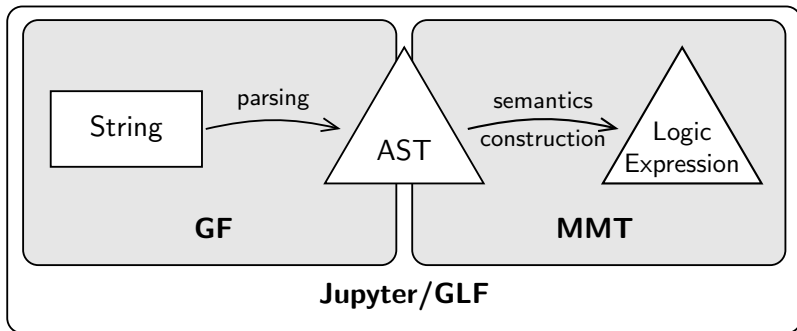


```
print (AlternatingGroup(5).cardinality())
```

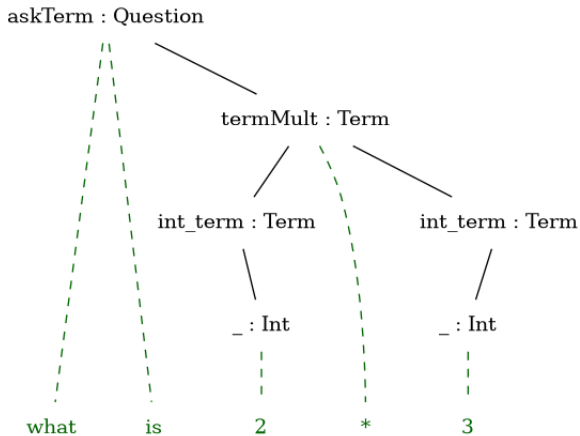
# Grammatical Logical Framework (GLF)

Combine two existing frameworks:

- **GF** (*Grammatical Framework*) for grammar development
- **MMT** for logic development/semantics construction

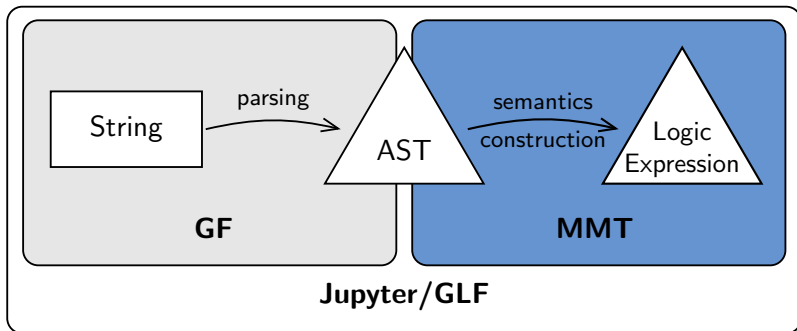


# GF in Jupyter: Grammar Development

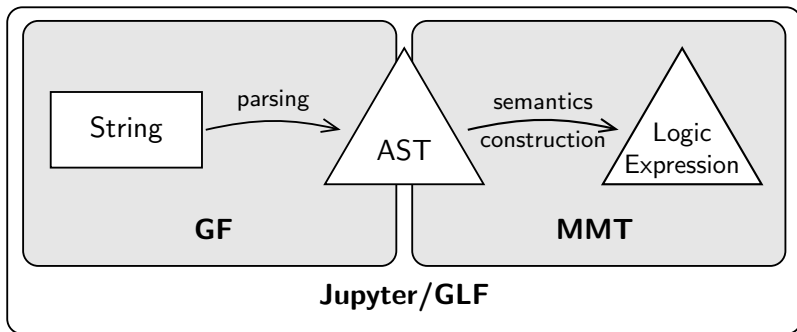




# Grammatical Logical Framework (GLF)



- Run GF and MMT in background
- Identify content using pattern matching
- Tab completion for stub generation



# Jupyter/GLF for Larger Projects

- Implement grammar/logic/semantics construction externally
- Use Jupyter notebooks for
  - Experimenting with specific challenges
  - Testing
  - Demos
- Case study: GLForTheL *re-implement ForTheL in GLF*

*“a subset of  $S$  is a set  $T$  such that every element of  $T$  belongs to  $S$ ”*

↓

$$\forall T. T \subseteq S \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \text{set}(T) \wedge \forall x. x \in T \Rightarrow \text{belongto}(x, S)$$

# Jupyter/GLF For Teaching

- Used in 1-semester course on logic-based language processing
- Homework assignments:
  - Provide partial implementations + explanations
  - Easier to set up
  - Was preferred by most students
- Presentation in Classroom
  - Interactive development with students
  - Easy to share after lecture

```
concrete AnimalGrammarGer of AnimalGrammar = {  
  param  
    -- TODO: you will need some parameter types  
  lincat  
    S = Str;  
    NP = Str;  
    VP = Str;  
    -- TODO: Add `Adj` and `N` (remember record types and table types)  
  lin  
    -- TODO  
}
```

# Recent Development: GLIF

- We need inference *e.g. for ambiguity resolution*
- We added ELPI (an extension of  $\lambda$ Prolog) to the pipeline
- Signatures can be generated from MMT
- First experiments with prover generation

```
parse "the ball has a kinetic energy of 12 m N" | construct -e
```

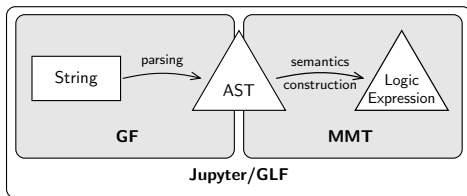
```
(ekin ball (quant 12 (milli newton)))  
(ekin ball (quant 12 (mult meter newton)))
```

```
parse "the ball has a kinetic energy of 12 m N" | construct -e | elpi filter dimCheck
```

```
ekin ball (quant 12 (mult meter newton))
```

# Summary

- We presented a Jupyter kernel for GLF *now GLIF*
- Kernel distinguishes content types with pattern matching:
  - GF grammar modules
  - MMT content
  - Commands *handled by kernel/passed to GF*
- Used for: teaching, prototyping, sharing results/demos, ...



<https://github.com/KWARC/GLIF>