

Interoperability between Python and Scheme Syntax using AST Manipulation

Principles of Programming Languages

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Motivation and Overview

- Motivation : Need seamless integration of Scheme-like syntax and Python code.
- Overview : Dynamically convert Scheme-like syntax into Python ASTs for runtime execution.

Objectives

- Dynamic Conversion : Scheme-like \rightarrow Python AST
- Interoperability : Use Scheme-like modules/functions in Python as if they're native
- Flexibility : Combine functional constructs with Python's procedural/OO features

Supported Scheme-like Syntax

- Program ::= Expression
- Expression ::= Number | Identifier | (operator Expression Expression) | (assume ((Identifier Expression)...) Expression) | (proc Identifier Identifier Expression) | (if Expression Expression Expression)
- Numbers ::= A Numeric Literal
- Operators ::= + , - , * , / , < , > , =
- Bindings : (assume ((Identifier Expression) ...) Expression)
- (proc Identifier Identifier Expression)
- (if Expression Expression Expression)

Examples

Example 1: Including a Scheme-Like Function in Python

Scheme-Like Code (in a file `math_operations.rkt`):

```
1 (proc (x) (* x x))
```

Python Code:

```
1 x = 10
2 y = racket_insert("math_operations.rkt")
3 result = y(x)
4 print(result)    # Output: 100
```

In this example, the Scheme-Like function `square` is dynamically converted into a Python function. The function is used within Python to calculate the square of `x`.

Example 2: Using Environment Bindings

Scheme-Like Code (in a file `binding_example.rkt`):

```
1 (assume ((a 5) (b 10)) (+ a b))
```

Python Code:

```
1 result = racket_insert("binding_example.rkt")
2 print(result)    # Output: 15
```

In this example, Variables `a` and `b` are dynamically bound within the environment. Their sum is calculated and returned as the result.

Example 4: Environment with Multiple Bindings and Arithmetic

Scheme-Like Code (in a file `arithmetic.env.rkt`):

```
1 (assume ((x 3) (y 16)) (+ x y))
```

Python Code:

```
1 x = 10
2 y = 15
3 result = racket_insert("arithmetic.env.rkt")
4 z = x * result
5 print(z) # Output: 190
```

In this example, the `assume` construct binds `x = 3` and `z = 4`. These bindings are local to the Scheme-like code. The variable `y` is not defined in the Scheme-like code, so it refers to Python's globally defined `y = 15`. The Scheme-like code computes `(+ x y)` using its local `x = 3` and Python's global `y = 15`, resulting in $3 + 15 = 18$. This result is returned to Python as `result`.

Example 5

Scheme-Like Code (in a file `polynomial.example.rkt`):

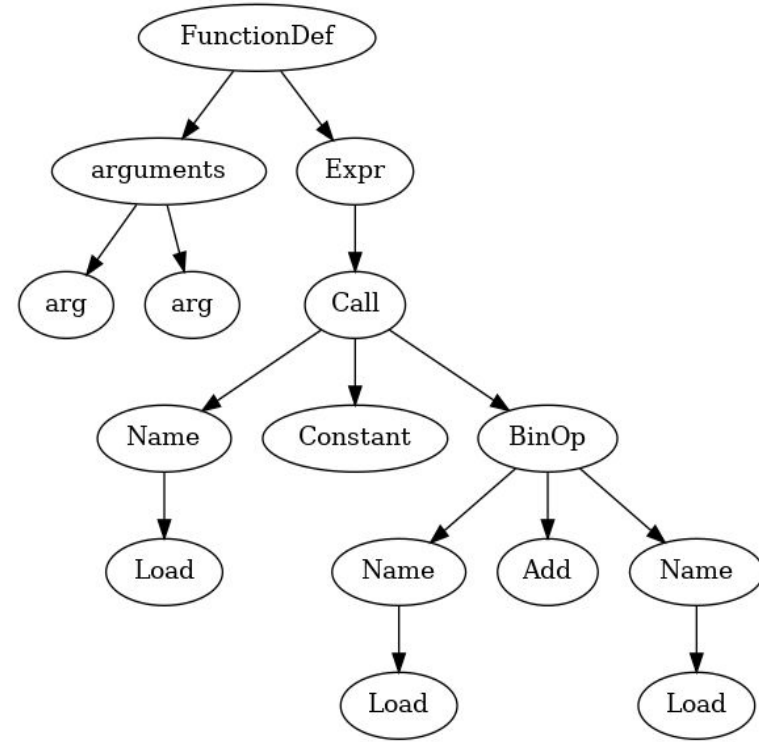
```
1 (proc (a b c x) (+ (* a (* x x)) (+ (* b x) c)))
```

Python Code:

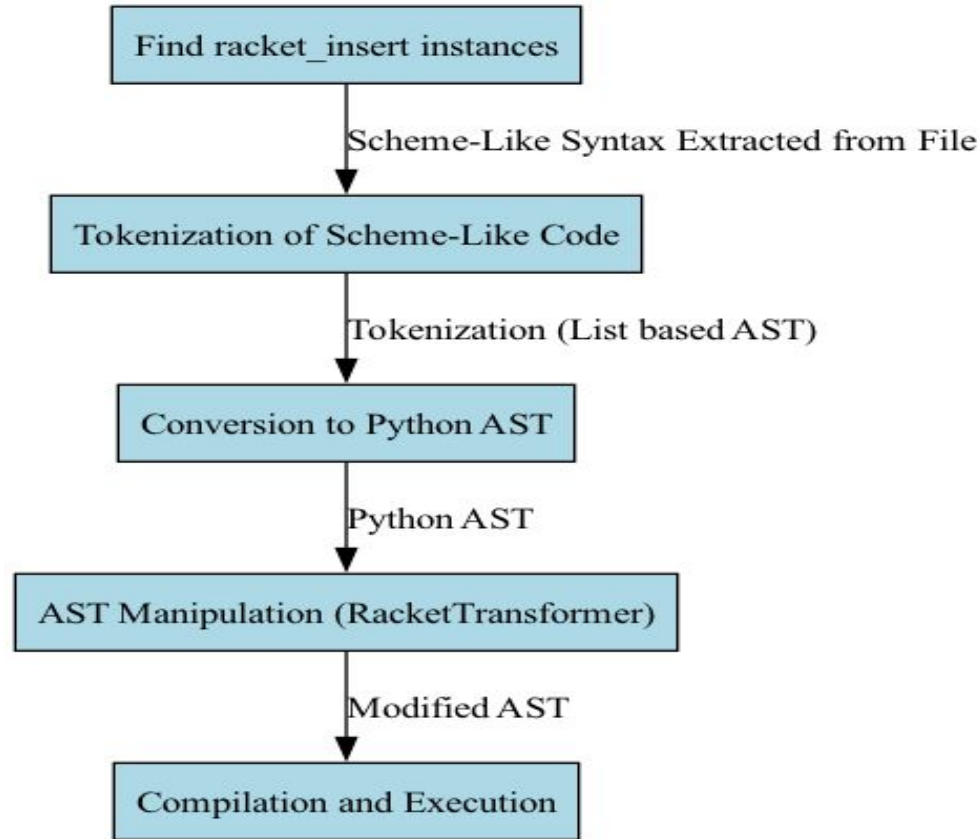
```
1
2 func = racket_insert("polynomial.example.rkt")
3
4 # Manipulate the polynomial mathematically
5 scale_factor = 2 # Scale the polynomial's coefficients
6 shift_value = 3 # Shift the polynomial vertically
7
8 # Redefine polynomial with scaled coefficients
9 def transformed_quadratic(a, b, c, x):
10     global func
11     global shift_value
12     return scale_factor * func(a, b, c, x) + shift_value
13
14 x_val = 4
15 result = transformed_quadratic(1, 2, 3, x_val)
16 print(result) # Output : 57
```

Dynamic Linking Workflow

1. Identify racket_insert("file.rkt") in Python
2. Tokenize Scheme-like code from file
3. Convert tokens to Python AST
4. Dynamically replaces the racket_insert function call with the corresponding Python AST representation of the Scheme-Like code.



Pipeline Overview



Similar Tools & Comparison

- Pybind11 : lightweight, header-only library specifically designed for exposing C++ types to Python and vice versa
- Cython : superset of the Python programming language that enables developers to write Python code with optional C-inspired syntax extensions
- Our Approach : Dynamic, runtime integration of Scheme-like code into Python

Possible Enhancements

- Ensure Robust error handling & type checks
- Performance optimizations
- Support more Racket features (macros, continuations)

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