

MGS

« encore un Modèle Général de Simulation »

and

Spatial Computing

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Material



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- MGS download (new home page for the end of the year)
<http://www.spatial-computing.org/mgs>
- This MGS tutorial
<http://www.spatial-computing.org/mgs:tutorial>
- MGS publication
 - <http://mgs.spatial-computing.org/PUBLICATIONS> (old)
 - <http://repmus.ircam.fr/giavitto/publications>
 - <http://www.lacl.fr/~michel/doku.php?id=research:start>
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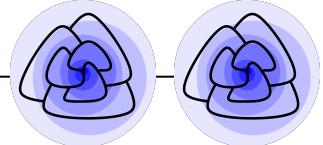
1. Modelling Morphogenesis
2. $(DS)^2$: dynamical systems with a dynamical structure

B. MGS

1. Collection
2. Transformation
3. A Functional Language

C. Applications

1. Algorithmic Examples
2. Monoidal Collections
3. GBF : Cellular and Lattice Gaz Automata
4. Delaunay : the growth of a meristem



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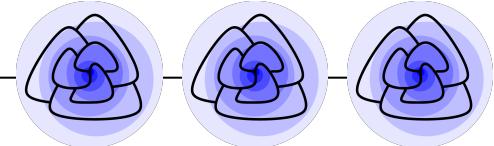
1. Spatial Computing
2. Interaction-Based Computing

B. MGS

1. Abstract Combinatorial Complex
2. Formalization

C. Applications

1. Remeshing
2. Growing a « T »
3. Self-Assembly of Musical Spaces
4. Growing an ontology with the Little Riding Hood
5. Growing an analogy with Paul Ricœur



B. MGS

1. Stochastic strategies

C. Applications (non physical spaces)

1. Self-Assembly of Musical Spaces
2. Growing an Ontology with the Little Riding Hood
3. Growing an Analogy with Paul Ricoeur
4. Programming unconventional models

D. Implementation

1. Generic pattern matching
2. Incremental HOAS implementation of a DSL
3. Beyond algebraic data type : a Generic Advanced API for Containers

E. Current Frontiers

From Global to Local , Multi-level and partial processes, Hybrid Modeling, Time

Implementation

- pattern matching
- evaluation schema
- incremental implementation

A *polytypic* (generic) pattern matching algorithm

How to find the occurrence of a path pattern ?

- x
- p/\exp
- p,p
- $p|p$
- p^*

The notion of derivative of a regular expression

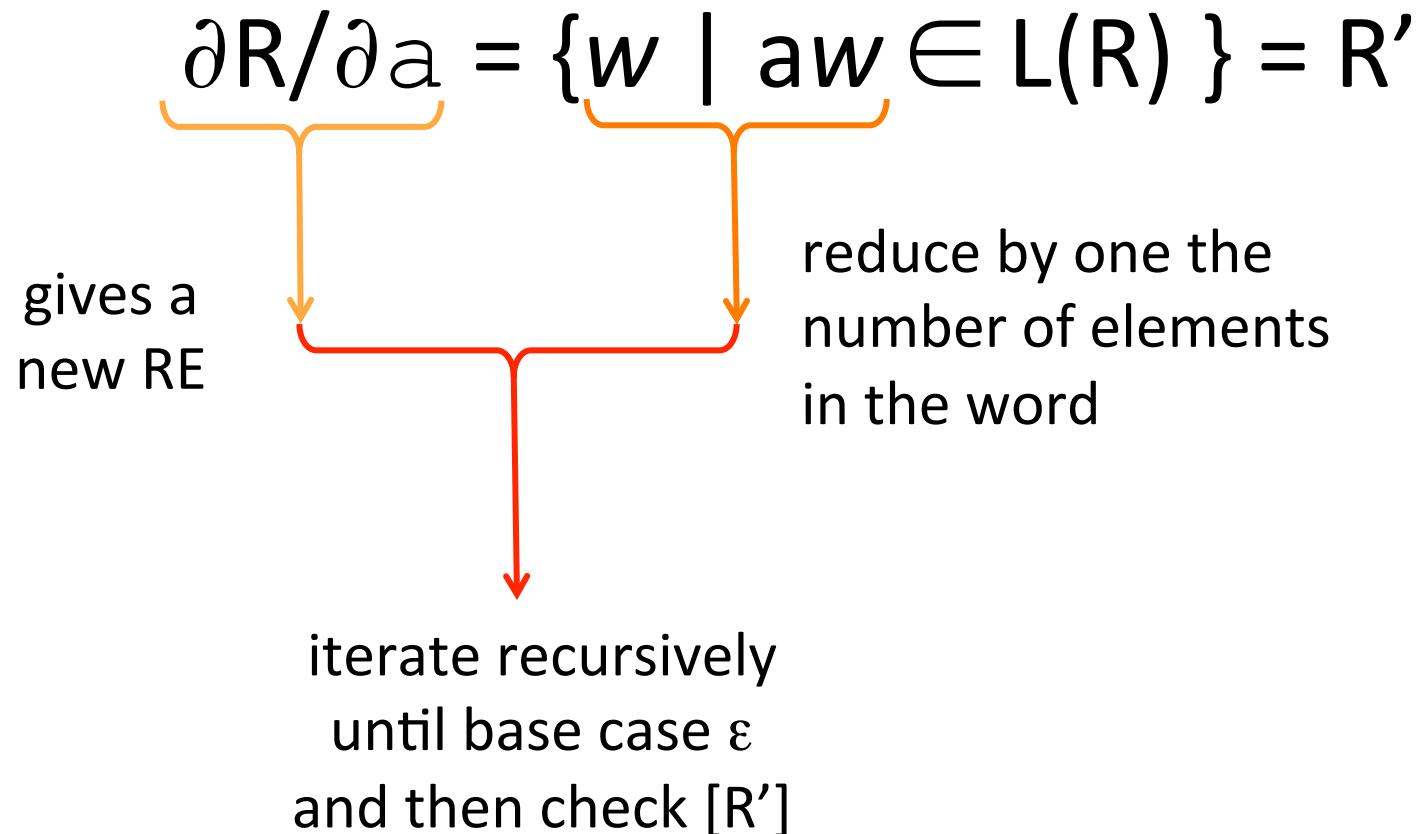
$\partial R / \partial a = \{w \mid aw \in L(R)\}$ (the set of word of R without a leading a)

$[R] = \{\varepsilon\}$ if $\varepsilon \in L(R)$ else \emptyset

Provided that R is a regular expression

- $\partial R / \partial a$ is a regular expression
- $[R]$ is a regular expression

Checking word membership



Derivation rules

$$\frac{\partial \varepsilon}{\partial \alpha} = \emptyset$$

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$$\frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial \alpha} = \varepsilon$$

$$\frac{\partial \beta}{\partial \alpha} = \emptyset \quad \text{si } \alpha \neq \beta$$

$$\frac{\partial r.r'}{\partial \alpha} = \frac{\partial r}{\partial \alpha}.r' + [r].\frac{\partial r'}{\partial \alpha}$$

$$\frac{\partial r + r'}{\partial \alpha} = \frac{\partial r}{\partial \alpha} + \frac{\partial r'}{\partial \alpha}$$

$$\frac{\partial r^*}{\partial \alpha} = \frac{\partial r}{\partial \alpha}.r^*$$

$$\frac{\partial r^+}{\partial \alpha} = \frac{\partial r}{\partial \alpha}.r^*$$

$$\frac{\partial r?}{\partial \alpha} = \frac{\partial r}{\partial \alpha}$$

$$[\varepsilon] = \varepsilon$$

$$[\emptyset] = \emptyset$$

$$[\alpha] = \emptyset$$

$$[r.r'] = [r].[r']$$

$$[r + r'] = [r] + [r']$$

$$[r^*] = \varepsilon$$

$$[r^+] = [r]$$

$$[r?] = \varepsilon$$

Extension to path patterns

Extension to path patterns on collection



Derivation of a path pattern

$\partial P / \partial \text{pos}(\text{Coll}, \text{Env}, \text{FreePos})$

=

the set of paths in Coll

- begining at position pos
- matching the path pattern P
- passing only by elements of FreePos
- and variable binded in Env

The base case

Base case : the empty collection

the only pattern that can match a path in the empty collection must specify a zero-length path, hence

x*

all other pattern fails and gives an empty solution set

Derivation rules (by combinatorial analysis)

$\partial(x, P) / \partial pos(Coll, Env, FreePos)$

= **pos**

$\otimes \{ \partial P / \partial p' (Coll, Env[x \rightarrow pos], FreePos-\{p'\}),$
 $p' \in neighbor_{Coll}(pos) \}$

the set of path matching (x, P) and starting at **pos** is:

pos prepended to “the elements of the set of paths matching **P** and starting at a position belonging to a neighbor of **pos** passing ...”

The complete path pattern semantics

$$\frac{\partial \text{dir}^*}{\partial p}(G, E, \emptyset) = \{[]\} \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial p}(G, E, \emptyset) = \emptyset \quad \text{provided that } P \neq \text{dir}^* \quad (2)$$

$$\frac{\partial \text{id/expr}}{\partial p}(G, E, \Pi) = \text{if eval}(E + [\text{id} \rightarrow p], G, \text{expr}) \text{ then } \{[p]\} \text{ else } \emptyset \quad (3)$$

$$\frac{\partial \text{dir}^*}{\partial p}(G, E, \Pi) = \{[]\} \cup \frac{\partial (\text{id/true dir dir}^*)}{\partial p}(G, E, \Pi) \quad \text{where id is a fresh variable} \quad (4)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \text{id/expr dir P}}{\partial p}(G, E, \Pi) &= \text{let } E' = E + [\text{id} \rightarrow p] \quad \text{and} \quad \Pi' = \Pi - p \\ &\quad \text{in if eval}(E', G, \text{expr}) \\ &\quad \text{then } p \otimes \left(\bigcup_{p' \in \text{neighbor}(\Pi', \text{dir}, p)} \frac{\partial P}{\partial p'}(G, E', \Pi') \right) \\ &\quad \text{else } \emptyset \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \text{dir}^* \text{ dir}' P}{\partial p}(G, E, \Pi) &= \bigcup_{p' \in \text{neighbor}(\Pi, \text{dir}', p)} \left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial p'}(G, E, \Pi) \right) \quad \text{where id is a fresh variable} \quad (6) \\ &\quad \bigcup \frac{\partial (\text{id/true dir dir}^* \text{ dir}' P)}{\partial p}(G, E, \Pi) \end{aligned}$$

An HOAS evaluation schema

High Order Abstract Syntax

```
type expr =
| Const of value
| App of expr * expr

and value =
| Int of int
| Bool of bool
| Fun of (value -> value)
```

High Order Abstract Syntax [Pfenning & Elliot PLDI'88]

```
let rec eval = function
| Const v -> v
| App (e1, e2) ->
  (match (eval e1, eval e2) with
  | (Fun f , v) -> f v (* caml application *)
  | _ -> raise TypeError
  )
```

Two step translations



1. **non-strictness elimination**
transforming conditionals and imperative features into functions
2. **variable elimination**
transforming λ -abstractions into host language functions
S, K, I and **B_c, C_c, N_{c,c'}**
and *smart partial application*
and multiple abstraction/application

Combinatorisation

$$\lambda x.U \rightarrow (\mathsf{K} U)$$

$$\lambda x.x \rightarrow \mathsf{I}$$

$$\lambda x.(M\ N) \rightarrow ((\mathsf{S}\ \lambda x.M)\ \lambda x.N)$$

$$\lambda x.c \rightarrow (\mathsf{K} c)$$

$$\mathsf{I} = \lambda x.x$$

$$\mathsf{K} = \lambda x.\lambda y.x$$

$$\mathsf{S} = \lambda x.\lambda y.\lambda z.((x\ z)\ (y\ z))$$

$$\lambda x.(U\ M) \rightarrow ((\mathsf{B}\ U)\ \lambda x.M) \quad (d)$$

$$\lambda x.(M\ U) \rightarrow ((\mathsf{C}\ \lambda x.M)\ U) \quad (e)$$

$$\lambda x.(c\ M) \rightarrow ((\mathsf{B}\ c)\ \lambda x.M) \quad (d_v)$$

$$\lambda x.(M\ c) \rightarrow ((\mathsf{C}\ \lambda x.M)\ c) \quad (e_v)$$

$$\lambda x.(c_1\ c_2) \rightarrow ((\mathsf{N}\ c_1)\ c_2) \quad (n_v)$$

$$\mathsf{B} = \lambda a.\lambda g.\lambda x.(a\ (g\ x))$$

$$\mathsf{C} = \lambda f.\lambda b.\lambda x.((f\ x)\ b)$$

$$\mathsf{N} = \lambda a.\lambda b.\lambda x.(a\ b)$$

Combinatorisation

$$\lambda x.\lambda y.(e_1 \ e_2) \rightarrow ((S^2 \ \lambda x.\lambda y.e_1) \ \lambda x.\lambda y.e_2) \quad (s^2)$$

$$\lambda x.(e_1 \ e_2 \ e_3) \rightarrow (((S_2 \ \lambda x.e_1) \ \lambda x.e_2) \ \lambda x.e_3) \quad (s_2)$$

$$\lambda x.\lambda y.(e_1 \ e_2 \ e_3) \rightarrow (((S_2^2 \ \lambda x.\lambda y.e_1) \ \lambda x.\lambda y.e_2) \ \lambda x.\lambda y.e_3) \quad (s_2^2)$$

$$\lambda x.\lambda y.c \rightarrow (K^2 \ c) \quad (k^2)$$

$$\lambda x.\lambda y.x \rightarrow I^2 \quad (i^2)$$

$$S^2 = \lambda f.\lambda g.\lambda x.\lambda y.((f \ x \ y) \ (g \ x \ y))$$

$$S_2 = \lambda f.\lambda g.\lambda h.\lambda x.((f \ x) \ (g \ x) \ (h \ x))$$

$$S_2^2 = \lambda f.\lambda g.\lambda h.\lambda x.\lambda y.((f \ x \ y) \ (g \ x \ y) \ (h \ x \ y))$$

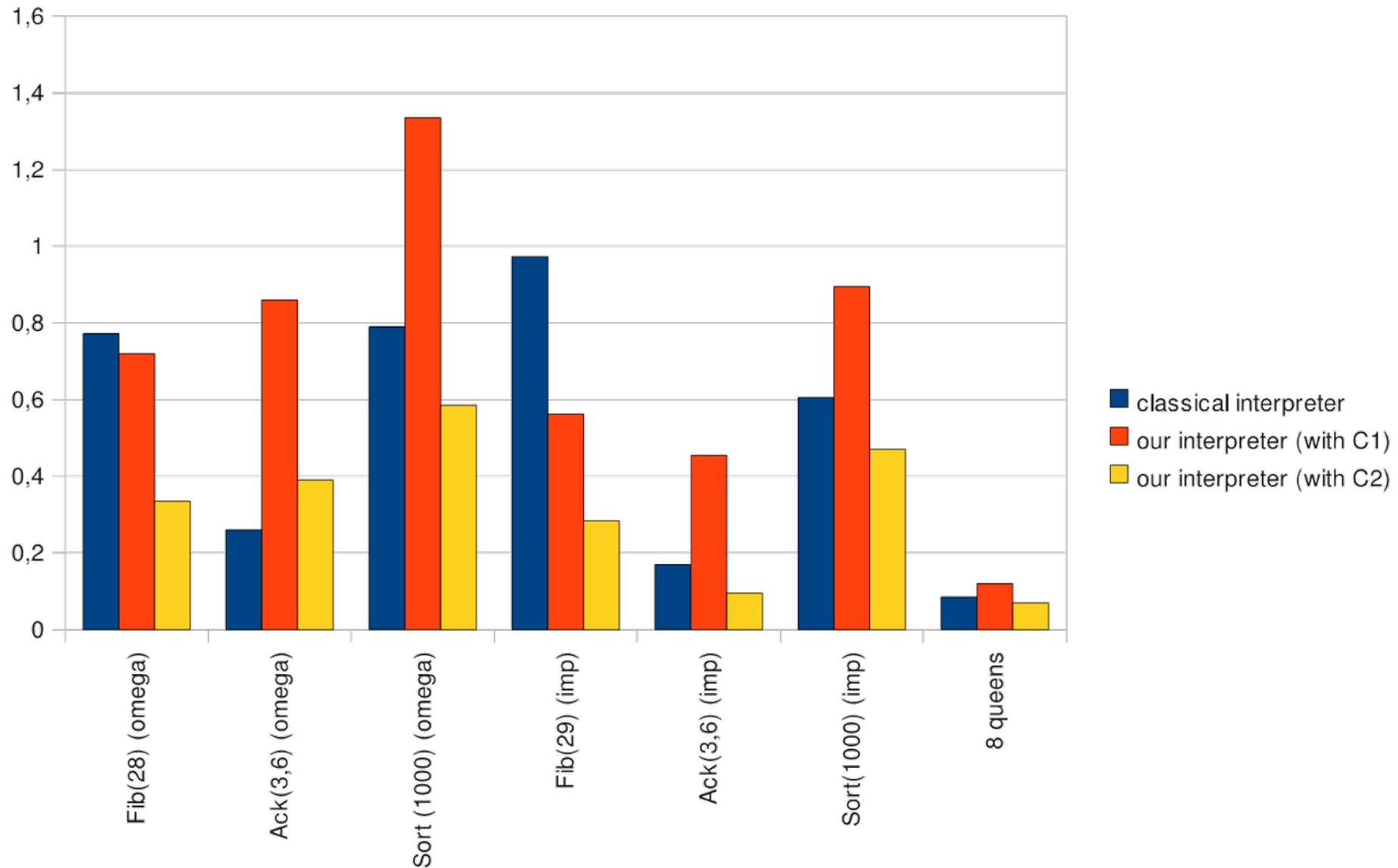
$$K^2 = \lambda x.\lambda y.\lambda z.x$$

$$I^2 = K$$

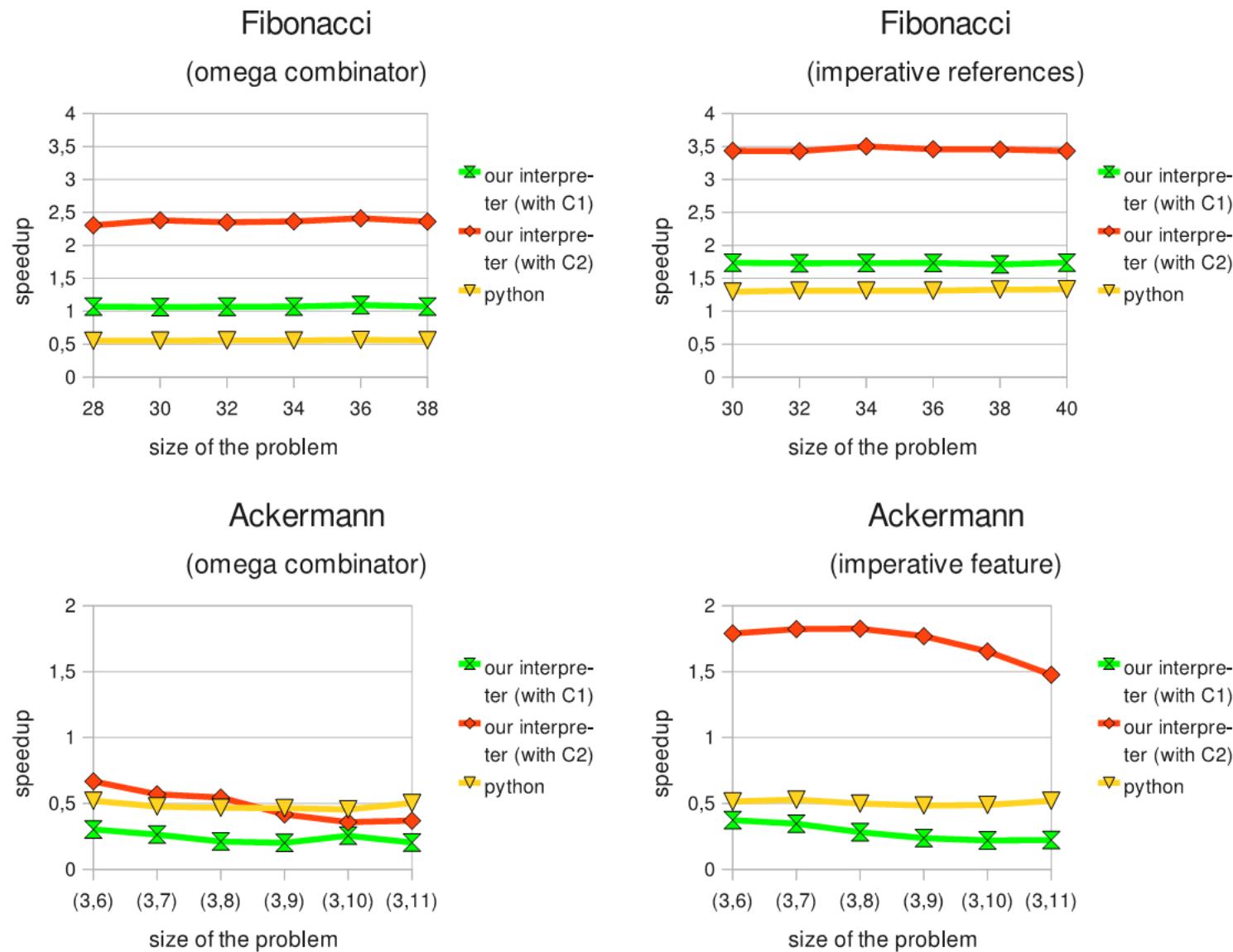
Advantages

- includes higher-order functions, imperative features and non-strict features
- no difference between user and library functions (**seamless mixing *including* high-order**)
- very small
- host language can be any mainstream languages (done in Java)
- transformations proved correct (in Coq)
- effective...

Performances



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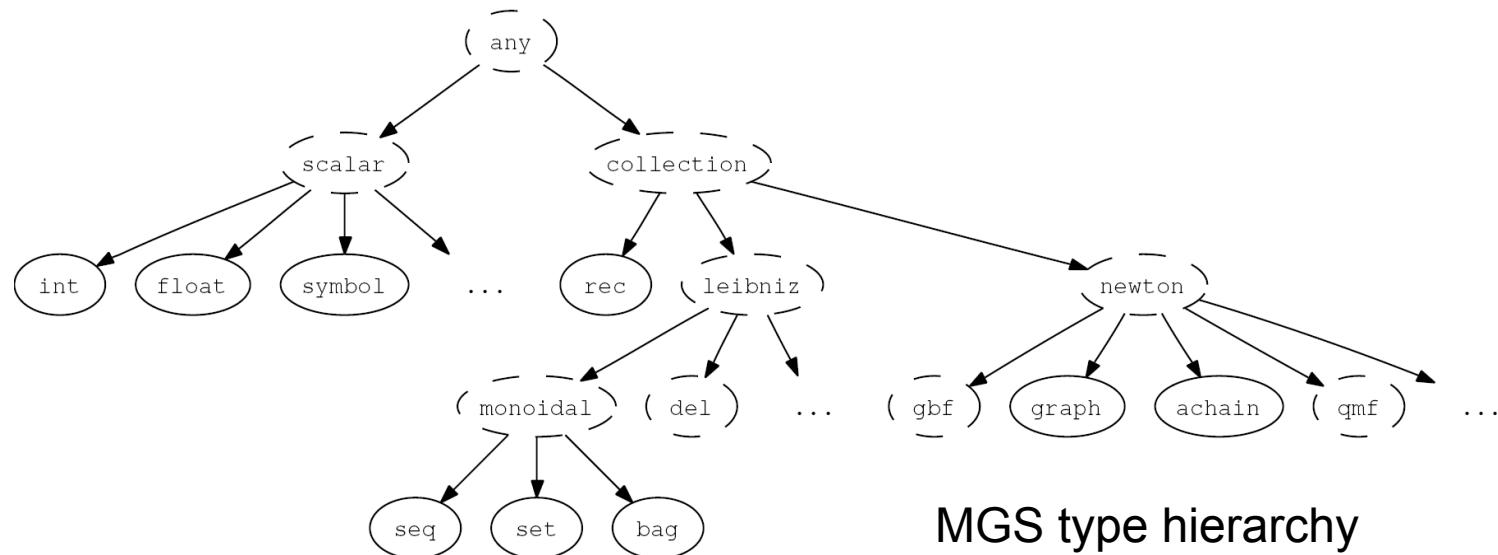
Performances

		Cl.	\mathcal{C}_1	\mathcal{C}_2	Python	Erlang
Fibonacci (omega)	28	0,77	0,72	0.34	1.39	341
Fibonacci (omega)	38	94	87,67	39,82	167,94	
Fibonacci (imp)	29	0.97	0.56	0.28	0,76	
Fibonacci (imp)	40	195,0	112,2	56,8	146,3	
Ackermann (omega)	(3,6)	0.34	0.86	0.39	0.50	146
Ackermann (omega)	(3,11)	357.9	1744	967	711	
Ackermann (imp)	(3,6)	0.17	0.46	0.10	0.33	
Ackermann (imp)	(3,11)	254	1139	172	488.0	
sort (omega)	1000	0,79	1.34	0.59	/	
sort (omega)	64 000	5603		14046	/	
sort (imp)	1000	0.61	0.90	0.47	/	
sort (imp)	64 000	4516	13570	10381	/	
queens problem (imp)	8	761	1105	563	/	

An incremental development

Interpreter Development

- In 2000: first version written in 1 year
 - 3 topological collection types
 - 9k lines of Ocaml, C and C++ code
- Now: third version written on a 3 years period
 - >12 topological collection types (and 12 scalar types) **⇒ >24 data types**
 - 50k lines of Ocaml, and many libraries (> 100k lines)
 - Scattered over >100 files
 - 225 overloaded MGS functions



Incremental Development ?

Our goals

1. Allowing new target data structures to be added without modifying the already written implementation files of the interpreter,
2. Adding easily new target data structures and functions
3. Lifting Ocaml functions in MGS
4. Embedding MGS functions in Ocaml
5. Automating the definition of highly overloaded MGS functions
6. *Don't modify* the implementation language (Ocaml)
7. Do thing as much as possible statically

Our solution

1+2 \Rightarrow AOP-like approach

3+4 \Rightarrow Higher Order Abstract Syntax

5 \Rightarrow Automagically produce the dispatch code

6 \Rightarrow A simple external tool and simple syntactic conventions

7 \Rightarrow at compile-time

The Expression Problem or

How to Implement the Value Data-Type

- Goes back to [Wadler 98]

To: **java-genericity@...**

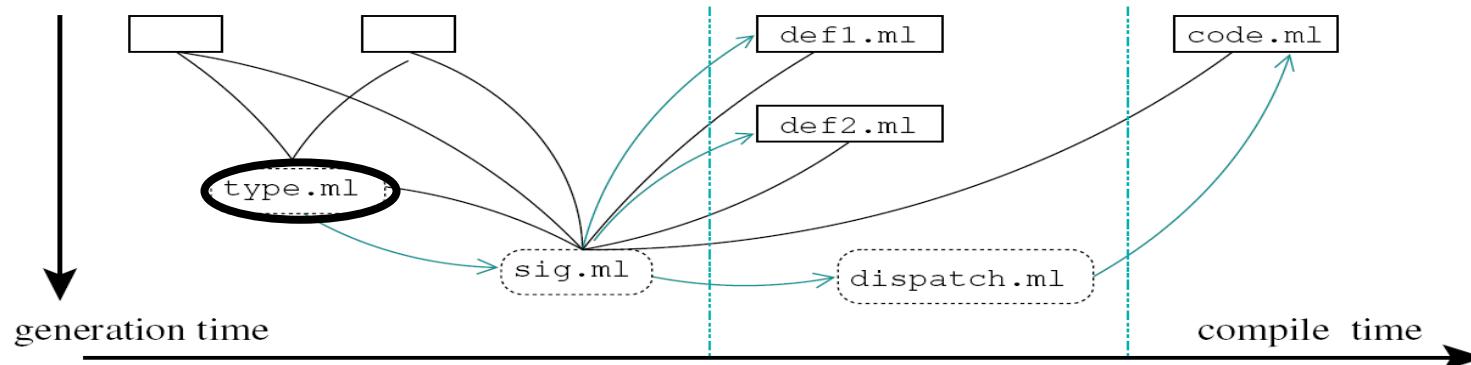
The Expression Problem
Philip Wadler, 12 November 1998

The Expression Problem is a new name for an old problem.
The goal is to define a datatype by cases, where one can
add new cases to the datatype and new functions over the
datatype, without recompiling existing code, and while
retaining static type safety (e.g., no casts). [...]

The Expression Problem or *How to Implement the Value Data-Type*

- Goes back to [Wadler 98]
 - A sum type
 - Painful incremental addition of new MGS collection types
 - Easy addition of new operators
 - Compatible with HOAS
 -  ~~Any aspect oriented approach~~
→ **A hybrid aspect oriented » approach**
 - Easy ~~language independent approach~~ collection types
 - Painful ~~language independent approach~~ implementation
 - Very light
 - Addition of new operators
 - No sophisticated type/module/language strategy
 - Efficient
 - Minimal overhead at compile-time (files scanned instantaneously)
 - No run-time (except dispatch)

(1) Gathering all the cases of the sum type

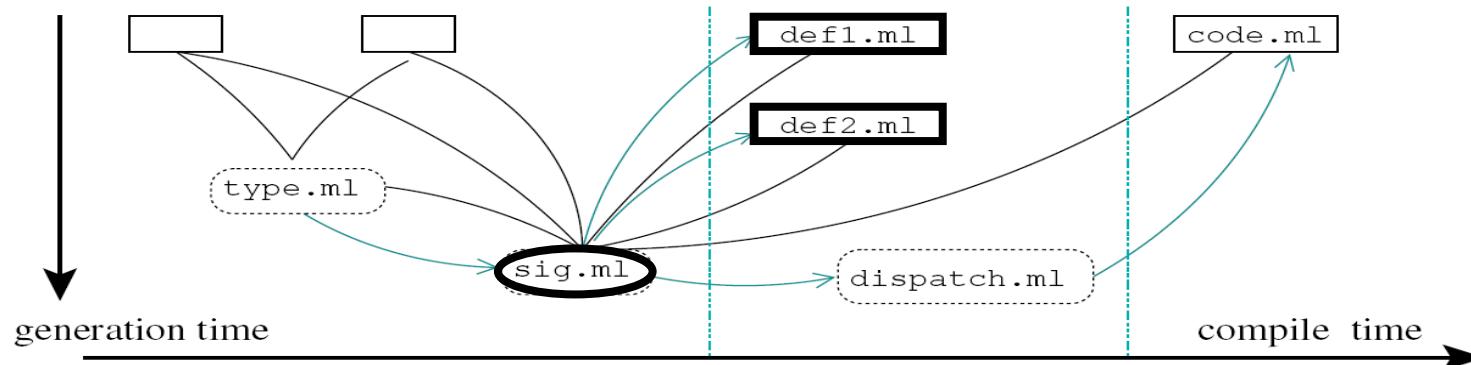


Access *all .ml and .mli* file to produce the **value** type

```
type value =
| Int of int
| Float of float
| ...
```

types.ml

(2) Gathering all the cases of the overloaded functions



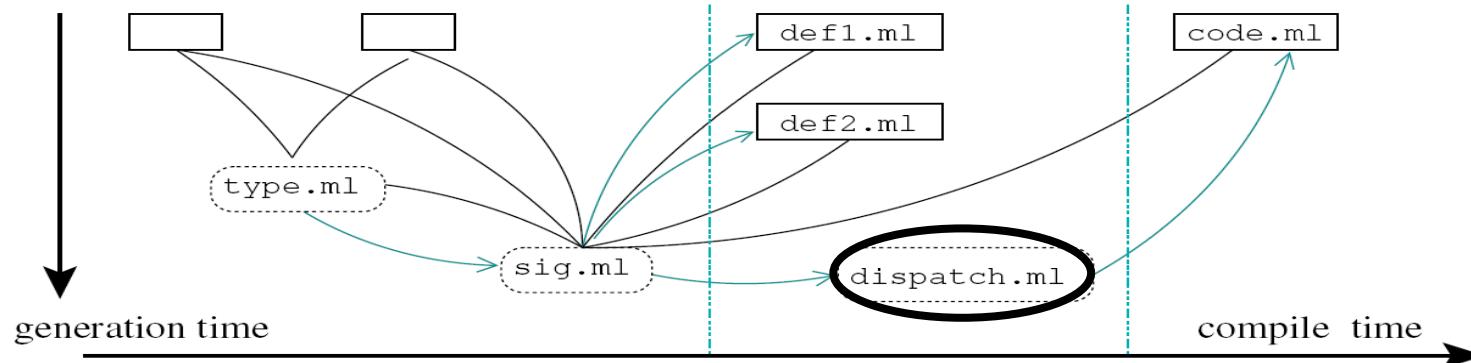
Access *all* .ml files and produce the signature file and set the forward mechanism

Note the use of the

```
open T
open S
open Types;;
(* Signature declaration *)
let add_forward : (value -> value -> value) ref =
  ref (function _ -> failwith "uninitialized add")
(* Setting foward pointer *)
let add x y = !add_forward x y
```

def1.ml
def2.ml
sig.ml (generated)

(3) Generate the Overloaded Functions



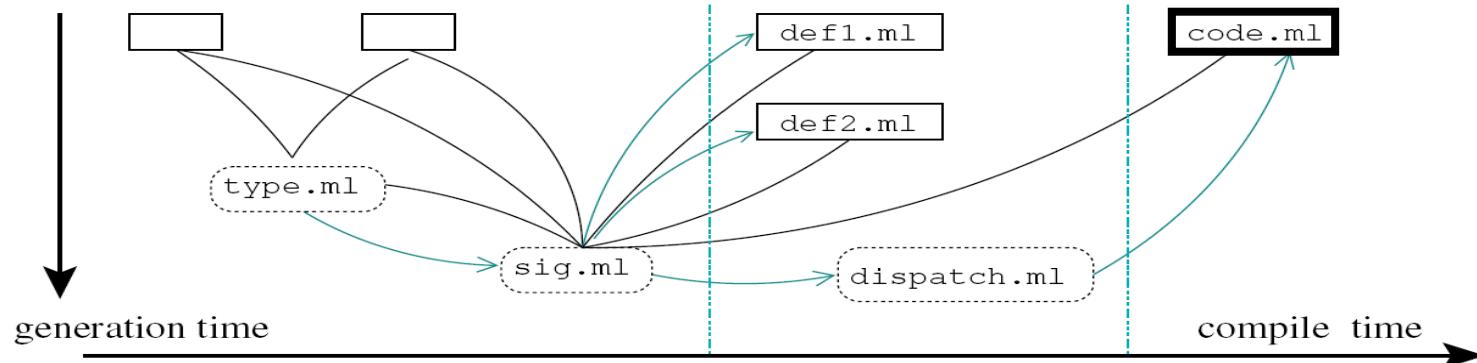
Computing the correct cases order and setting the correct link

```
open Types, Sig, Def1, Def2

let __add x y = match x, y with
| (Int x0), (Int x1)    -> __add_int_int x0 x1
| (Float x0), (Float x1) -> __add_float_float x0 x1
| (Int x0), (Float x1)   -> __add_int_float x0 x1
| (Float x0), (Int x1)   -> __add_float_int x0 x1
...
(* Setting the correct links *)
Sig.add_forward := __add
```

dispatch.ml (generated)

(4) Using the Dispatched Functions

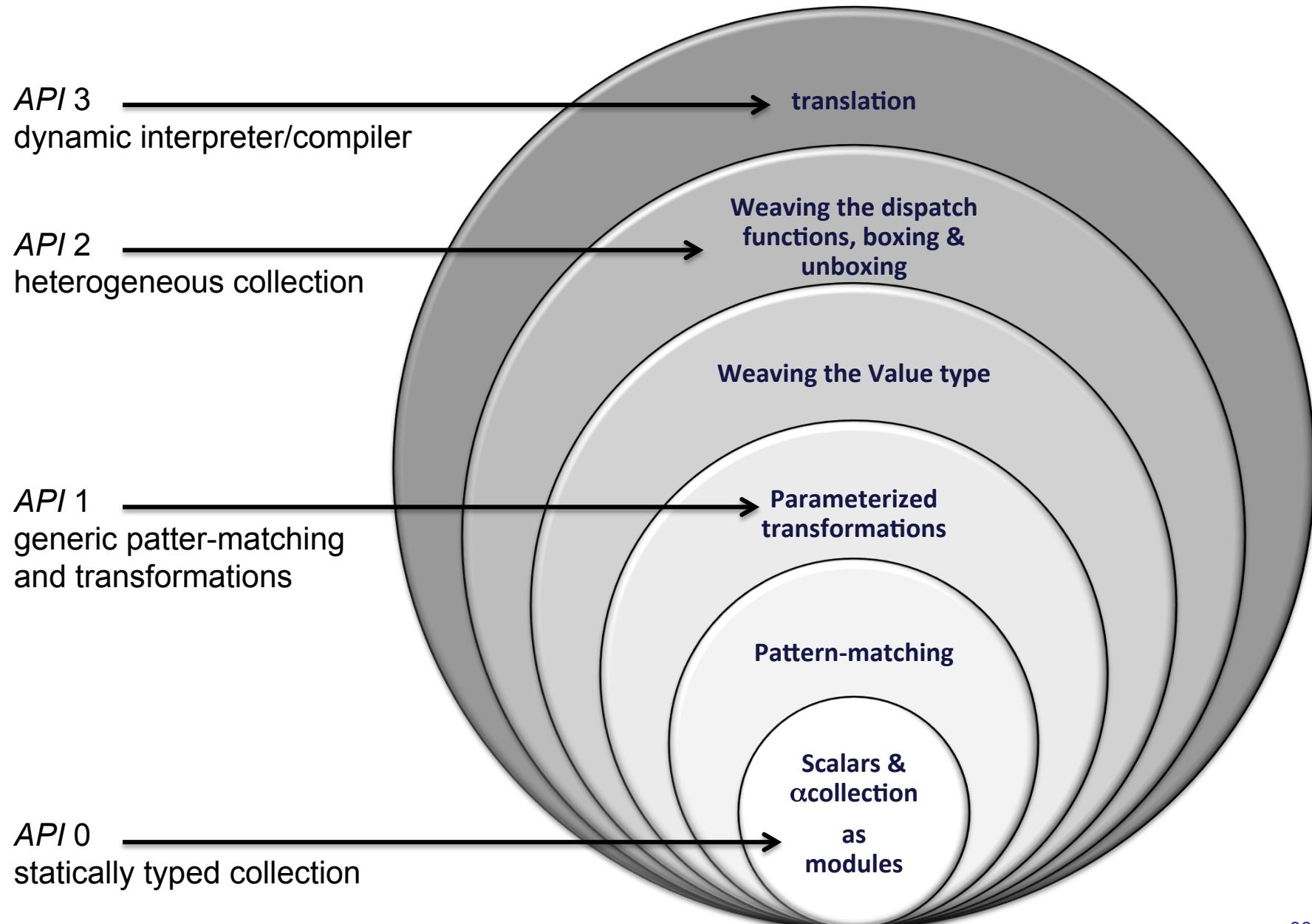


Voila!

```
open Types, Sig  
  
print (add (Float 2.0) (Float 3.0))  
print (add (Float 2.0) (Int 1))  
print (add (Int 2) (Float 1.0))  
print (add (Int 2) (Int 1))
```

using.ml

Towards a new evaluation/development architecture



Perspectives

Success

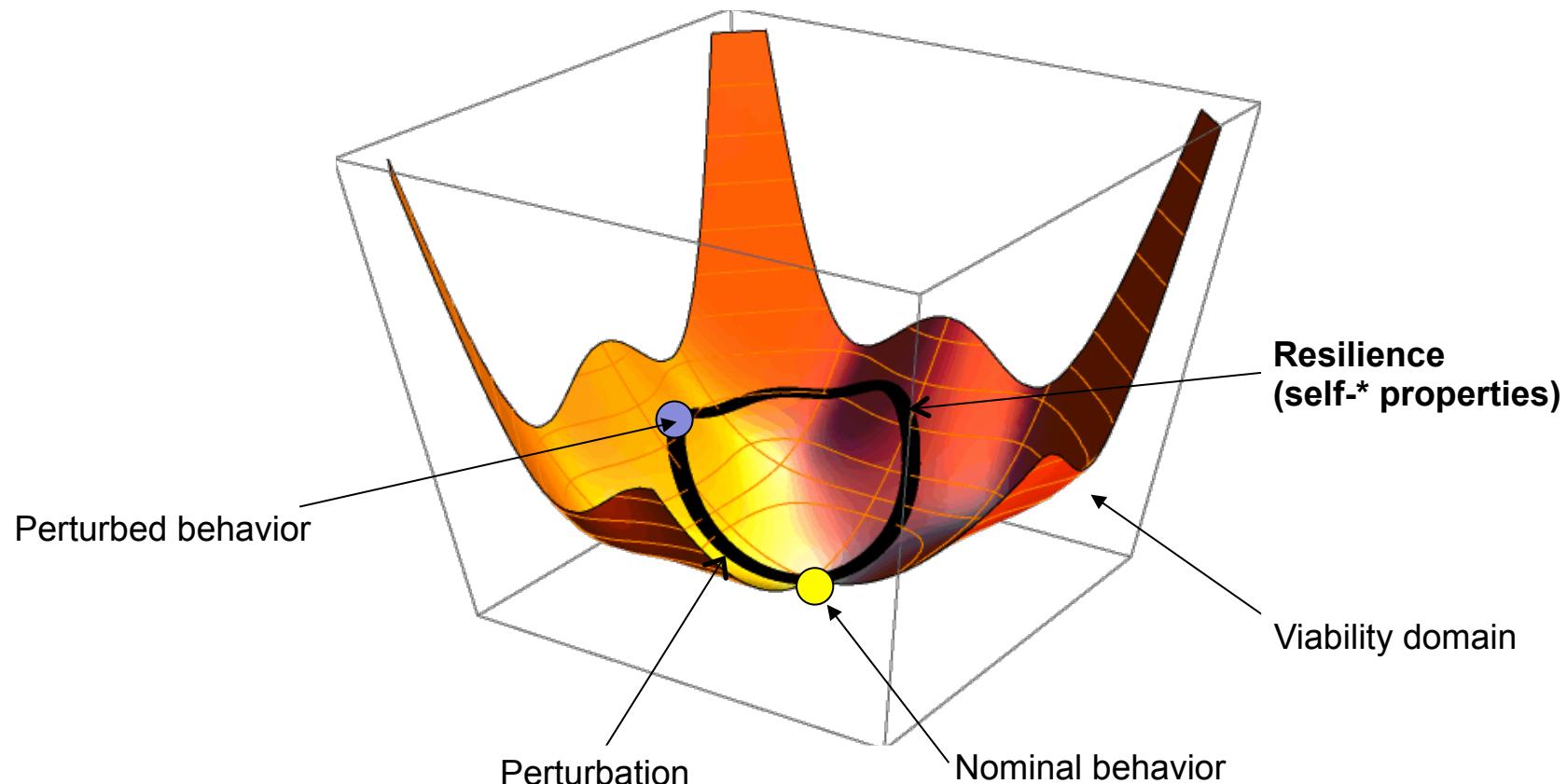
- Polytypisme is good
- Patterns/rules are expressive and usually concise
- Clean semantics
- Find the “good” topology for the problem at hand

To do

- Integration into a standard programming language (aspect, à la TOM,...)
- A logic for topological rewriting
- Efficiency: compilation *well...*
- ***Space-time !***
 - Amorphous/autonomic/spatial computing applications
(including synthetic biology)
 - Musicology

Autonomic systems: *systemic software engineering?*

- Systems with self-* properties (self-healing, self-optimizing, ...)
- Analogy with dynamical complex systems
 - Running programme: *dynamical* system
 - Nominal behavior: *equilibrium* state
 - Self-* properties: going *from a perturbation to the equilibrium*



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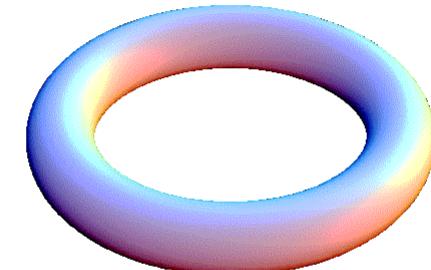
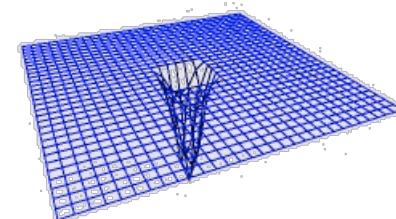
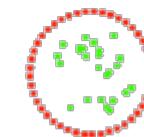
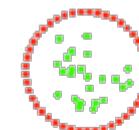
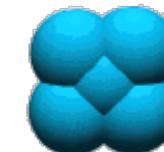
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