Non-Pass-Oriented Evaluation: Visit-Sequences

A **visit-sequence** vs_p for each production of the tree grammar:

p:
$$X_0 ::= X_1 ... X_i ... X_n$$

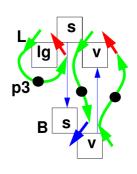
A visit-sequence is a **sequence of operations**:

↓ i, j j-th visit of the i-th subtree

i-th return to the ancestor node

eval_c execution of a **computation** c associated to p

Example out of the AG for binary numbers:



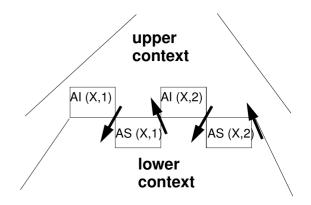
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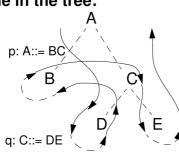
Interleaving of Visit-Sequences

Visit-sequences for adjacent contexts are executed interleaved.

The **attribute partition** of the common nonterminal specifies the **interface** between the upper and lower visit-sequence:



Example in the tree:



interleaved visit-sequences:

$$vs_p$$
: ... $\downarrow C,1$... $\downarrow B,1$... $\downarrow C,2$... $\uparrow 1$... $\downarrow E,1$... $\uparrow 2$

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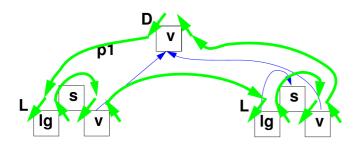
Visit-Sequences for the AG "Binary Numbers"

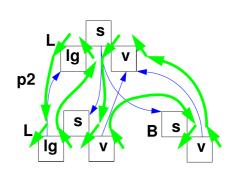
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vs<sub>p1</sub>: D ::= L '.' L
          \downarrowL[1],1; L[1].s=0; \downarrowL[1],2; \downarrowL[2],1; L[2].s=NEG(L[2].lg);
          ↓L[2],2; D.v=ADD(L[1].v, L[2].v); ↑1
vs<sub>p2</sub>: L ::= L B
          ↓L[2],1; L[1].lg=ADD(L[2].lg,1); ↑1
          vs<sub>p3</sub>: L ::= B
          L.lg=1; ↑1; B.s=L.s; ↓B,1; L.v=B.v; ↑2
vs<sub>p4</sub>: B ::= '0'
          B.v=0; 1
vs<sub>p5</sub>: B ::= '1'
          B.v=Power2(B.s); 1
```

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Visit-Sequences for AG "Binary Numbers" (tree patterns)

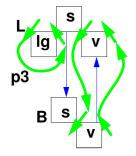


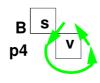


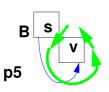
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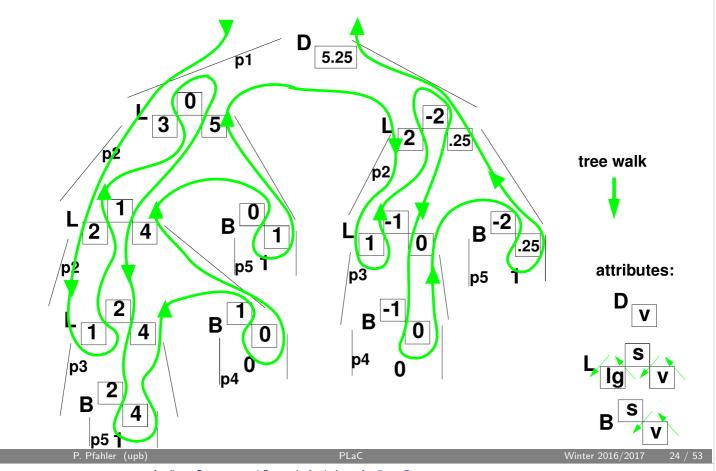
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Tree Walk for AG "Binary Numbers"



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Generators for Attribute Evaluators

LIGA, University of Paderborn, OAG CoCo/R, University of Linz, LAG(k) JastAdd, University of Lund, dynamic evaluation

Properties of the Attribute Evaluator Generator LIGA

- integrated in the Eli system cooperating with the other tools
- attribute grammar specification language Lido
- modular and reusable AG components
- symbol computations and reuse mechanism
- computations call functions implemented outside the AG
- advanced notations for remote attribute access
- visit-sequence controlled attribute evaluators, implemented in C

Examples of Liga specifications are given on the following slides.

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LIGA: State attributes without values

```
ATTR pre, post: int;
RULE: Root ::= Block COMPUTE
 Block.pre = 0;
END;
RULE: Block ::= '{' Constructs '}' COMPUTE
 Constructs.pre = Block.pre;
 Block.post = Constructs.post;
END;
RULE: Constructs ::= Constructs Construct COMPUTE
  Constructs[2].pre = Constructs[1].pre;
  Construct.pre = Constructs[2].post;
 Constructs[1].post = Construct.post;
RULE: Constructs ::= COMPUTE
  Constructs.post = Constructs.pre;
END;
RULE: Construct ::= Definition COMPUTE
 Definition.pre = Construct.pre:
 Construct.post = Definition.post;
RULE: Construct ::= Statement COMPUTE
  Statement.pre = Construct.pre;
  Construct.post = Statement.post;
END:
RULE: Definition ::= 'define' Ident ';' COMPUTE
  Definition.printed =
    printf ("Def %d defines %s in line %d\n",
              Definition.pre, StringTable (Ident), LINE);
  Definition.post =
    ADD (Definition.pre, 1) <- Definition.printed;
END:
RULE: Statement ::= 'use' Ident ';' COMPUTE
 Statement.post = Statement.pre;
END;
RULE: Statement ::= Block COMPUTE
 Block.pre = Statement.pre;
  Statement.post = Block.post;
```

Definitions are enumerated and printed from left to right.

The next Definition number is propagated by a pair of attributes at each node:

pre (inherited)
post (synthesized)

The value is initialized in the Root context and

incremented in the Definition Context.

The computations for propagation are systematic and redundant.

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LIGA: Dependency pattern CHAIN

A CHAIN specifies a left-to-right depth-first dependency through a subtree.

One CHAIN name; attribute pairs are generated where needed.

CHAINSTART initializes the CHAIN in the root context of the CHAIN.

Computations on the CHAIN are **strictly bound** by dependences.

Trivial computations of the form X.pre = Y.pre in CHAIN order can be omitted. They are generated where needed.

LIGA: Dependency pattern INCLUDING

The nesting depths of Blocks are computed.

An **attribute** at the root of a subtree is **accessed from within the subtree**.

Propagation from computation to the uses are generated as needed.

No explicit computations or attributes are needed for the remaining rules and symbols.

INCLUDING Block.depth

accesses the depth attribute of the next upper node of type Block.

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LIGA: Dependency pattern CONSTITUENTS

CONSTITUENTS Definition.DefDone accesses the DefDone attributes of all Definition nodes in the subtree below this context

A CONSTITUENTS
computation accesses
attributes from the
subtree below its context.

Propagation from computation to the CONSTITUENTS construct is generated where needed.

The shown combination with INCLUDING is a common dependency pattern.

All printf calls in Definition contexts are done before any in a Statement context.

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LIGA: Symbol Computations

Computations can be associated to symbols occurring in the tree (*TREE symbols*). They are executed for every node which represents that symbol in a particular tree.

Symbols may be introduced which do not belong to the tree grammar. They are called *CLASS symbols* and represent computational roles. Their computations may be inherited by grammar symbols.

```
TREE symbol computations

TREE SYMBOL Expr COMPUTE
    SYNT.coercion =
        coerce(THIS.pre,THIS.post);
    INH.IsValContext = true;
    chkLegal(THIS.coercion);
END;
```

```
CLASS symbols and inheritance
CLASS SYMBOL IdOcc COMPUTE
   SYNT.Sym = TERM;
END;
SYMBOL VarDef INHERITS IdOcc
END;
```

The TREE and CLASS markers can be omitted. In attribute denotations the symbol names are replaced by SYNT, INH, THIS, or TERM, TERM[1],

Symbol computations can be provided in libraries and are a powerful mechanism for reuse.