Bi-directional Transformations @ UMinho

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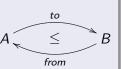
Lenses Going from concrete to abstract.

Refinements

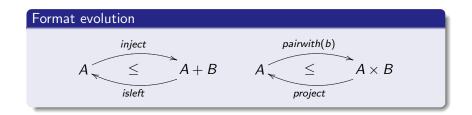
An abstract type A is mapped to a concrete type B

Representation Injective and total.

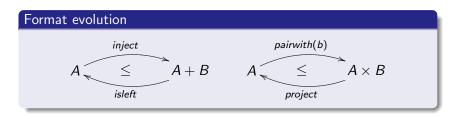
Abstraction Surjective and possibly partial.

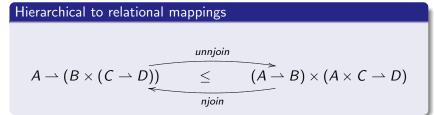


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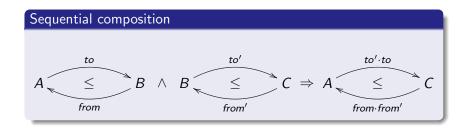


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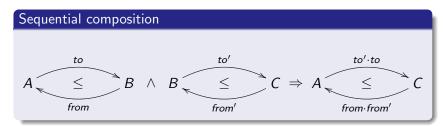


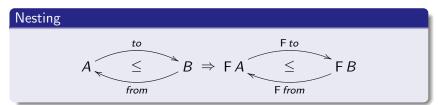


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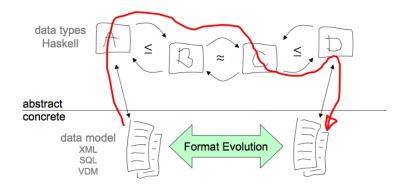


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- Type-safe Type-checking guarantees that the data migration functions are well-formed with respect to the type-level transformation.

Ingredients

- Concrete data models are abstracted as Haskell data types.
- Type-level transformations are data refinements.
- Strategic programming to compose flexible rewrite systems.



Strategic Programming

- Apply refinement steps . . .
 - in what order?
 - how often?
 - at what depth?
 - under which conditions?
- Compose rewrite systems from:
 - basic rewrite rules and
 - combinators for traversal construction.

Combinators

```
(>>>) :: Rule -> Rule -> Rule
(|||) :: Rule -> Rule -> Rule
```

nop :: Rule

many :: Rule -> Rule
once :: Rule -> Rule

Some Implementation Details

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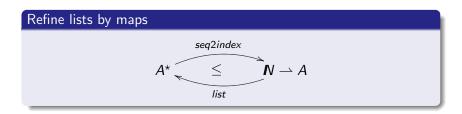
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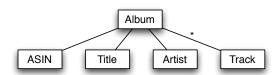


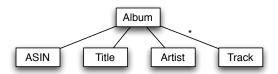
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Rewrite system for hierarchical-to-relational mapping

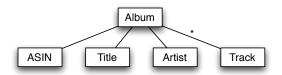
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flatten :: Rule
flatten = many (once (listmap ||| mapprodmap ||| ...))
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Abstract representation

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- > let (Just vw) = flatten (typeoff :: [Album])
- > showType vw

(Map Int (String, (String, String)), Map (Int, Int) String)

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- Front-ends To apply 2LT to real-world examples we need front-ends for popular data description languages, namely XML and SQL.

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Types can be tagged

data Type a where

Tag :: Tag -> Type a -> Type a

data Tag = Info {name :: Maybe Name,

key :: Maybe Key,

refs :: [Key]}

Rules manipulate tags

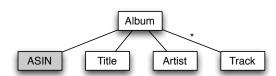
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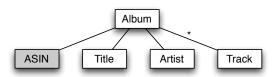
Front-ends

Group them in a class

```
class FrontEnd t v | t -> v, v -> t where
   parsetype :: t -> Maybe DynType
   printtype :: Type a -> Maybe t
   parsevalue :: Type a -> v -> Maybe a
   printvalue :: Type a -> a -> Maybe v

instance FrontEnd XSD XML where ...
instance FrontEnd DDL DML where ...
instance FrontEnd VDM VDM where ...
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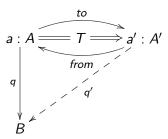


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$$({}_1String^{Asin}
ightharpoonup String^{Title} imes String^{Artist})^{Albums} imes (String^{Asin}_1 imes Int
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 - 3LT Coupled transformation should encompass not only types and values, but other artifacts like queries and producers.



Point-free Functional Programming

Some combinators

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 $(\cdot)::(B\to C)\to (A\to B)\to (A\to C)$

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Some laws

$$f \cdot id = f \wedge id \cdot f = f$$

$$f \cdot (g \cdot h) = (f \cdot g) \cdot h$$

$$fst \cdot (f \triangle g) = f \wedge snd \cdot (f \triangle g) = g$$

$$fst \triangle snd = id$$

$$(f \triangle g) \cdot h = (f \cdot h) \triangle (g \cdot h)$$

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Migration functions represented in point-free

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data View a where

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type Rule = forall a . Type a -> Maybe (View (Type a))

Example

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Query migration

```
getArtists :: [Album] -> [String]
getArtists = List.map (fst . snd . snd)

getArtists' :: AlbumsDB -> [String]
getArtists' = elems . Map.map (snd . snd) . fst
```

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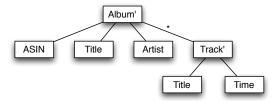
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Generics How to deal with structure-shy languages like XPath?

Does //Title returns the expected results after refining tracks to have both title and duration?



Composition With Partiality

Sequential composition

$$A + 1 \stackrel{from}{\longleftarrow} B \land B + 1 \stackrel{from'}{\longleftarrow} C$$

$$\Rightarrow$$

$$A + 1 \stackrel{id \lor inf}{\longleftarrow} (A + 1) + 1 \stackrel{from+id}{\longleftarrow} B + 1 \stackrel{from'}{\longleftarrow} C$$

Nesting

$$\begin{array}{c} A+1 \stackrel{from}{\longleftarrow} B \\ \Rightarrow \\ [A]+1 \stackrel{inl\cdot concat}{\longleftarrow} [[A]] \stackrel{map \ (wrap \triangledown nil)}{\longleftarrow} [A+1] \stackrel{map \ from}{\longleftarrow} [B] \end{array}$$

Structure-Shy Languages

SYB

$$(\triangleright) :: \mathsf{T} \to \mathsf{T} \to \mathsf{T}$$

$$mapT :: \mathsf{T} \to \mathsf{T}$$

$$mkT_A :: (A \to A) \to \mathsf{T}$$

$$apT_A :: \mathsf{T} \to (A \to A)$$

$$mapQ :: \mathsf{Q} \ R \to \mathsf{Q} \ R$$

$$mkQ_A :: (A \to R) \to \mathsf{Q} \ R$$

$$apQ_A :: \mathsf{Q} \ R \to (A \to R)$$

XPath

child :: Q [*]
descorself :: Q [*]
name :: String
$$\rightarrow$$
 Q[*]
(/) :: Q [*] \rightarrow Q $R \rightarrow$ Q R

Specializing Structure-Shy Programs

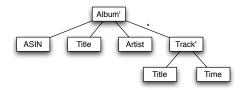
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apT_{A} (f \triangleright g) = apT_{A} f \cdot apT_{A} g
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apQ_{(A \times B)} (mapQ f) = plus \cdot (apQ_{A} f \times apQ_{B} f)
descendant = everything child
apQ_{A} (f/g) = fold \cdot map (apQ_{*} g) \cdot apQ_{A} f
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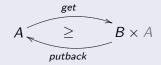
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cat . (map (mkAny . title) /\
      concat . map (map (mkAny . track_title) . tracks))
    where title = fst . snd . unAlbum'
      tracks = snd . snd . unAlbum'
      track_title = fst . unTrack'
```

Specialization of //Title to Album composed with abstraction

```
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Lenses

A concrete type A is abstracted into a view B



Properties

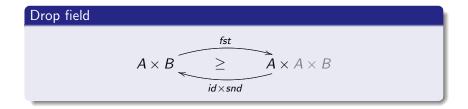
Acceptability putback must be injective on first argument.

$$get \cdot putback \sqsubseteq fst$$

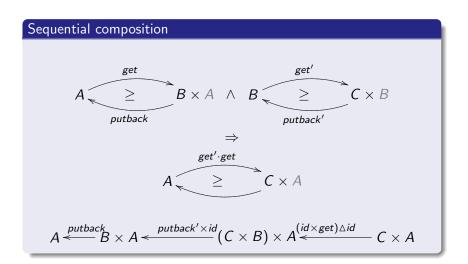
Stability If the target does not change, neither should the source.

$$putback \cdot (get \triangle id) \sqsubseteq id$$

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Composition of Lens



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