

Three studies on Model Transformations

- Parsing, Generation and Ease of Use

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Model

- Description
- Abstraction
- Usable



- C code: 1001110...
- Grammar: "one bottle of milk,
two bottles of milk, ..."

Model Transformations

Source \rightarrow Target

- Rules
- Algorithm
- Manual ... Automatic
- Endogenous or Exogenous
- Abstraction level

Examples

Level of abstraction

$S < T$

$S = T$

$S > T$

Endo-
genuous

Abstracts in
publications

Re-factoring/
re-ordering

Optimisations

Parsing

Exo-
genuous

Subtitles

Google
Translate

Code
generation

Generation

Ease of Use

Parsing Linear Context-Free Rewriting Systems

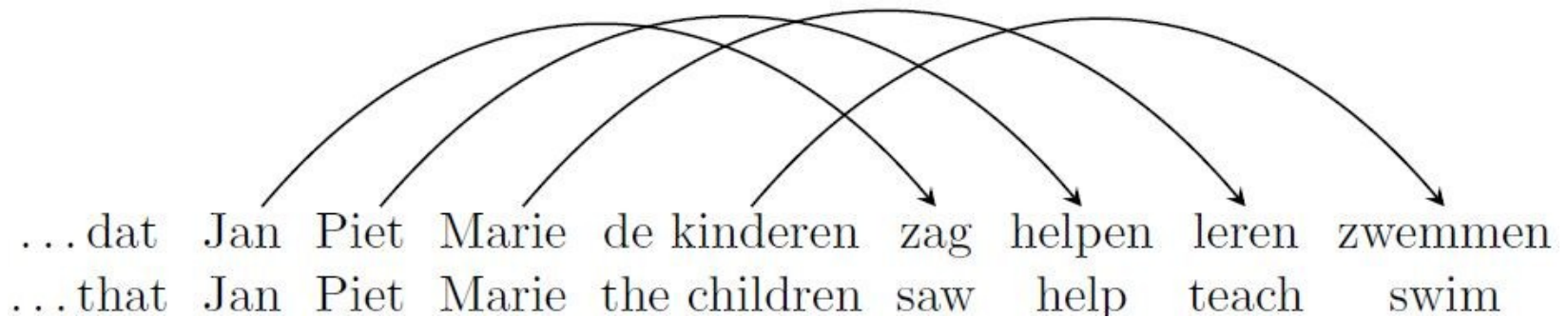
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Dutch Subordinate Clauses



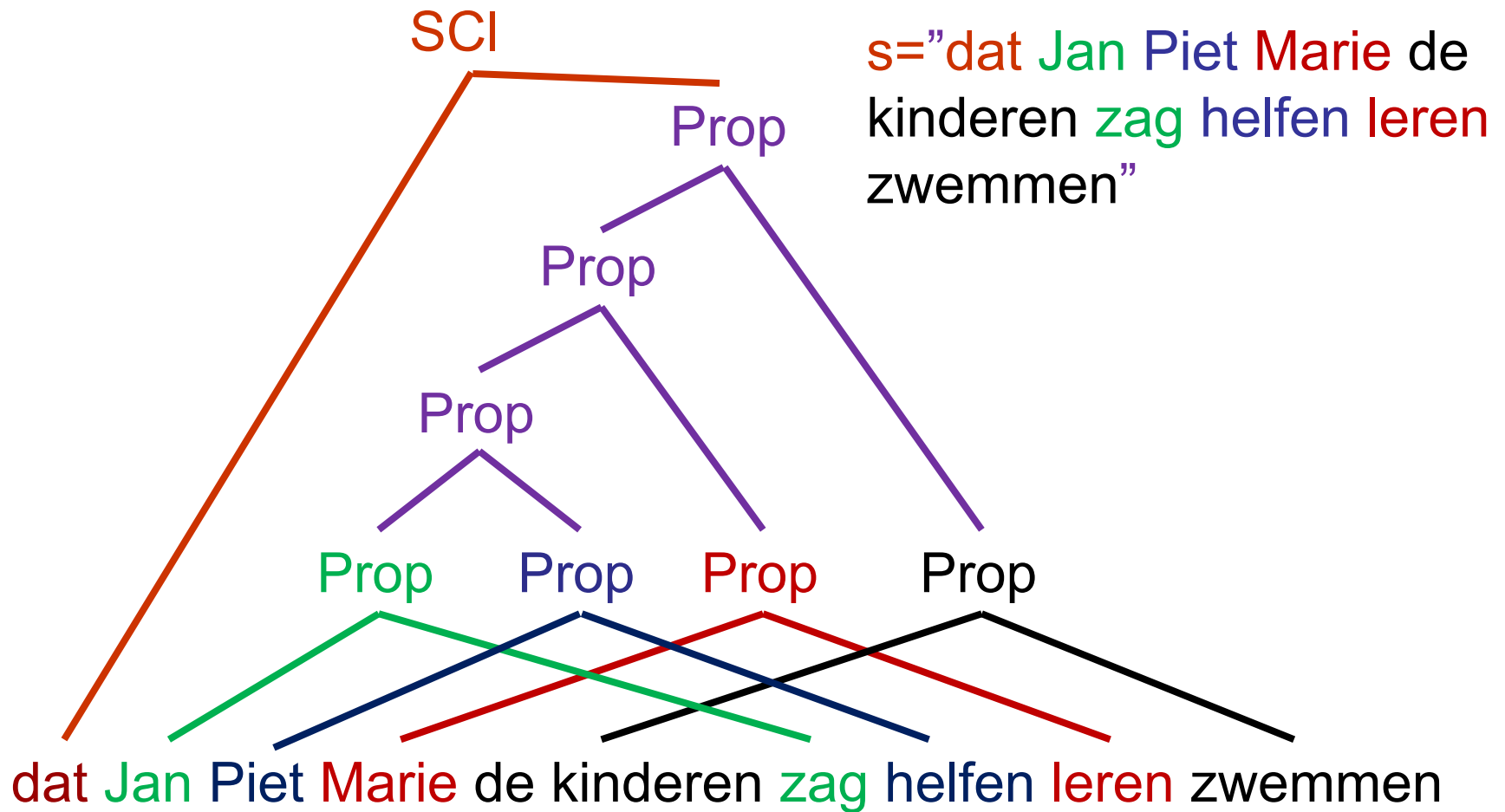
A Grammar

- $\text{Prop} \rightarrow \text{jz}[] := \{ \text{subj}=\text{"Jan"} ; \text{pred}=\text{"zag"} \}$
- $\text{Prop} \rightarrow \text{ph}[] := \{ \text{subj}=\text{"Piet"} ; \text{pred}=\text{"helfen"} \}$
- $\text{Prop} \rightarrow \text{ml}[] := \{ \text{subj}=\text{"Marie"} ; \text{pred}=\text{"leren"} \}$
- $\text{Prop} \rightarrow \text{kz}[] := \{ \text{subj}=\text{"de kinderen"} ; \text{pred}=\text{"zwemmen"} \}$

- $\text{Prop} \rightarrow \text{rec}[\text{Prop}_1, \text{Prop}_2] := \{ \text{subj}=\text{Prop}_1.\text{subj} \text{Prop}_2.\text{subj};$
 $\text{pred}=\text{Prop}_1.\text{pred} \text{Prop}_2.\text{pred} \}$

- $\text{SCI} \rightarrow \text{subcl}[\text{Prop}] := \{ \text{cl}=\text{"dat"} \text{Prop}.\text{subj} \text{Prop}.\text{pred} \}$

Bottom-up Parsing



Natural Language Generation from Class Diagrams

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8th International Workshop on Model-Driven
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Background

Natural Language Generation:

- Text planning
- Sentence planning
- Linguistic realisation

Class Diagram:

- Software Model

Two Models

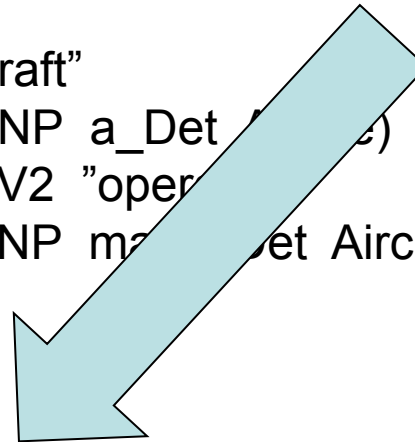
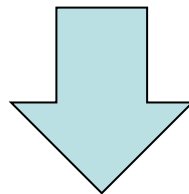
Grammatical Framework:

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cat Concept, Prop
fun Aircraft, Airline : Concept
  Statement : Concept × Concept → Prop
  
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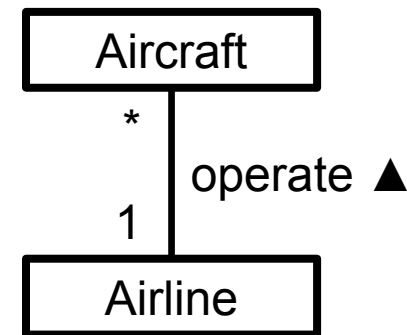
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lincat Concept = N, Prop = S
lin  Airline = mkN "airline"
     Aircraft = mkN "aircraft" "aircraft"
     Statement = mkS (mkCl (mkNP a_Det "an" "airline" "operates"
                               (mkV2 "operates" "operates")
                               (mkNP m_Art "many" "aircraft")))
  
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"an airline operates many aircraft"

Class Diagram:



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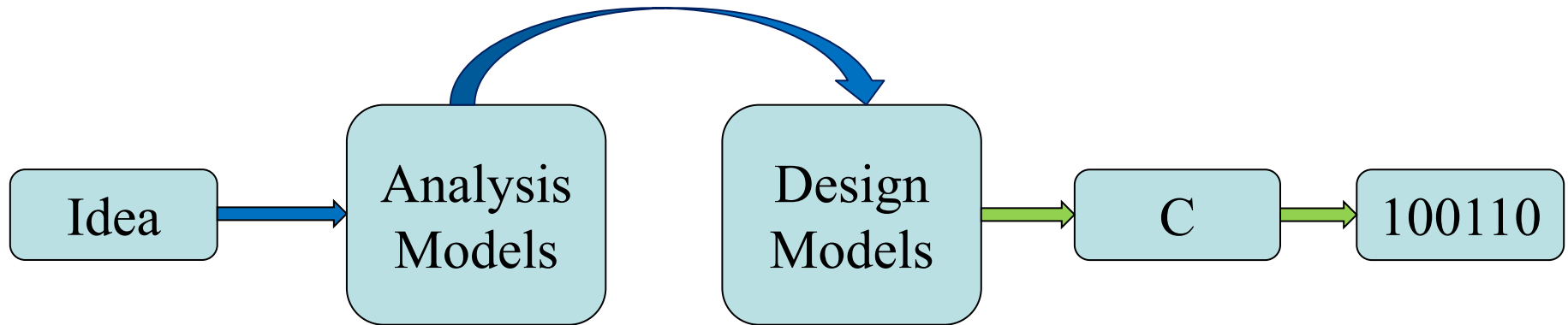
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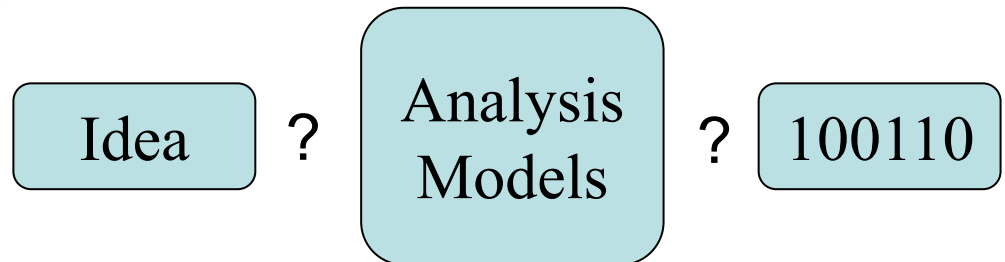
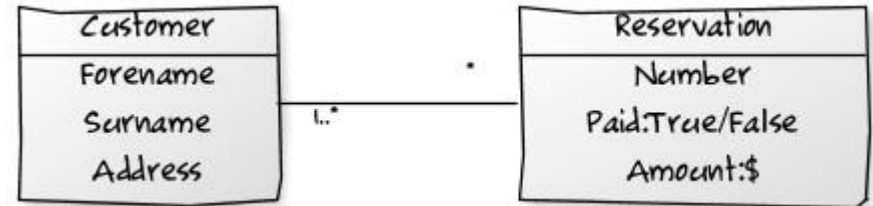
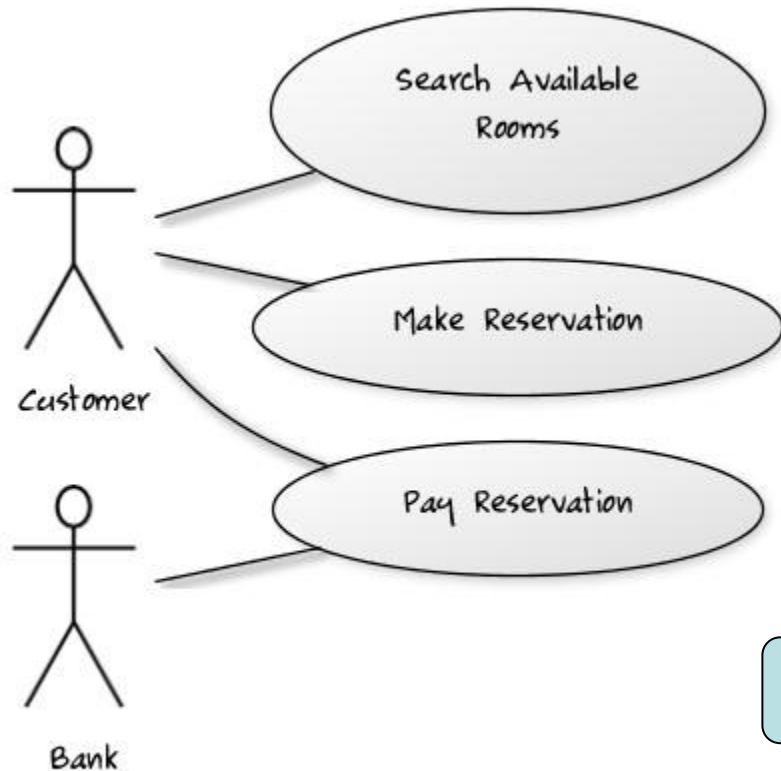
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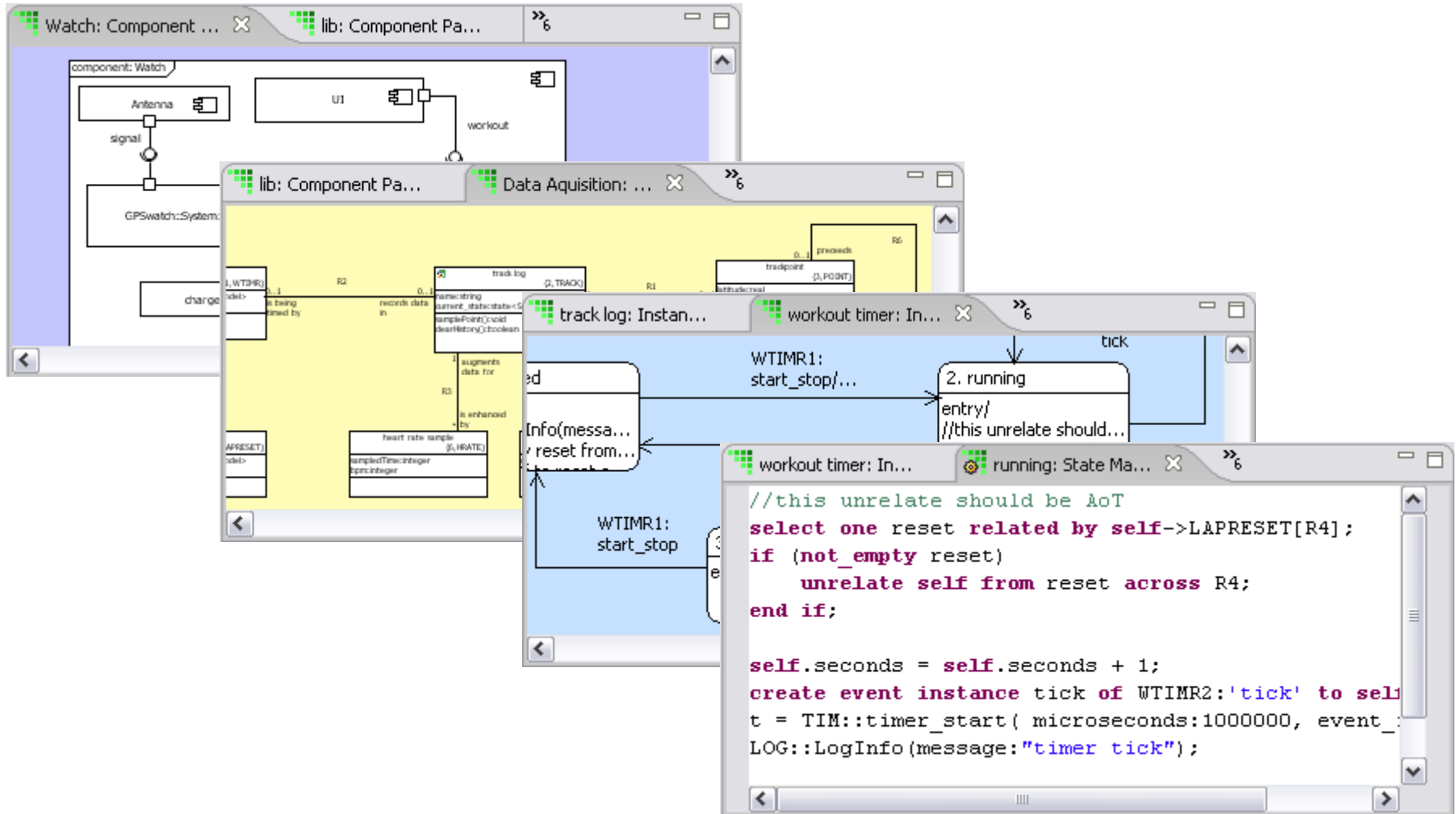
From Idea to Software



Analysis Models



Design Models



Outcome

Can teams of four students solve a problem that is complex enough to require using the full potential of the design models within a total of 300 hours?

	2009	2010	2011	Total
#Teams	22	28	24	74
#Success	18	25	23	66
#Failure	4	3	1	8

Conclusion

Parsing:

- Endogenous
- Refinement

Ease of Use:

- Exogenous
- Synthesis

Generation:

- Exogenous
- Reverse engineering

Future Work

- Further explore generation from SW models
 - Action language to natural language
- Models and transformations in industry
 - Transformations as re-usable assets
 - Modelling cross paradigms
- Educational implications