Enriching Your Models with OCL

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Overview

MDT/OCL team

- Why and When OCL
- Introduction to OCL
- OCL within Eclipse
- OCL Use Cases, coming soon

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Scaling up OCL at SAP





Follow Along

http://www.eclipsecon.org/summiteurope2010/sessions/?page=sessions&id=1710

links to <u>slides</u> and to <u>zip file</u> comprising, model,edit,editor,diagram projects

Install MDT/OCL 3.0.1 Examples and Editors

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- Run nested Eclipse, Import ESEExampleTree
 - ESEExampleTree/model/default.people_diagram



How Much OCL?

None

- Very simple modeling
- Java augmented modeling

A little

• OCL (and Java) augmented modeling

A lot

- OCL as a powerful formal specification language
 - OMG's UML, OCL, QVT, ... specifications
- OCL as the foundation of a transformation language
 MOFM2T (Acceleo), QVT
- OCL as a portable implementation language





UML State Machines



- Need to specify behavior
 - amber when End of Stop or Start of Stop
 - transition when signal received/time elapsed





UML Solutions

UML 1.x Use your favourite programming language

- Ada/C/...
- Magically inserted by proprietary code generator

UML 2.x Use a neutral specification language

- The Object Constraint Language
 - State machine guards/actions
 - Class invariants
 - Operation bodies, pre/post conditions
 - Property initial/derived values





Simple Meta-Modeling



Example Family Tree Meta-Model Ecore Diagram (similar to UML Class Diagram) Graphics

• Box

- Class, enumeration
- Compartment
 - Property, operation
- Line
 - Association
- Decoration
 - Composition, navigability

Text

- Name, type, stereotype
- Multiplicity





Richer Meta-Modelling



- Implicit constraints
 - Up to 2 parents
 - MALE/FEMALE gender
- Arbitrary constraints
 - At least 5 characters in name
 - 1 MALE, 1 FEMALE parent
 - Self is not an ancestor of self



Example Family Tree Model







Simple Query Evaluation



Type children then carriage return

eclipse



OCL Principles

- Natural/Formal Language compromise
 - natural language error prone
 - formal language unapproachable to many

- Specification (not Programming) Language
 - declarative, modeling language
 - side effect free, no model changes, atomic execution
 - strongly typed, using UML generalization





OCL Object Types

 Primitive Types OclAny - Boolean, String Real, Integer, UnlimitedNatural Real unlimited; no float/double etc distinction 🗏 Boolean String Integer 'AllClasses' Bottom Types UnlimitedNatura OclVoid: any value can be null OclInvalid: any value can be invalid 目 OclVoid Top Type - OclAny: every OCL and user type OclInvalid conform to OclAny type.





Mathematical Operators

Infix: +, -, *, / and, or, xor, implies =, <>, <, >, <=, >= Prefix: not, -4.0 * -5'a' + 'b' Operators: mod, div, max, min, ... 4.max(5)











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More Complex Query



Selecting *Poseidon* defines the implicit context variable self : Person = Poseidon







(cf. this.getName() Or getName())

Operations

• self.child('John') or just child('John')
 (cf. this.child('John') or child('John'))



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The OCLinEcore Editor



Example Validation Failure

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Open model/People1.xmi with Sample Reflective Ecore Editor Select Universe, Right button menu, Validate





Multiplicities and Collections

Meta-models specify multiplicities

- children : Person[*] {ordered, unique}
- parents : Person[0..2] {unique}
- multiplicities are specification concepts; not objects

Implementations (e.g. Ecore) reify multiplicities

- getChildren() returns a UniqueEList<Person>
- 'many' properties have extra implementation objects
 - getName() setName(newName)
 - getChildren().get(2) getChildren().add(newChild)

OCL needs more than just UML multiplicities



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Person

child(EString) : Person

parents

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gender : Gender

name : EString

0..*

children

OCL 2.0 Collections

Typed Collections partially reify multiplicities

Collection(T)	Unordered	Ordered
Non-Unique	Bag(T)	Sequence(T)
Unique	Set(T)	OrderedSet(T)

Collections are different to objects Navigation from a Collection uses ->

- [Navigation from an Object (OclAny) uses .]

Collections have type parameters Collections have useful operations Collections have very useful iterations



Example Collection Operations

Collection::size() self.children->size() 'get'

Sequence::at(Integer) self.children->at(1)

- nb 1 is the first index, size() is the last

'add'

Collection(T)::including(T) : Collection(T)

- returns a new collection with added content

'contains'

Collection(T)::includes(T) : Boolean

- tests existing content



Collection::select iteration

• Children

self.children

Sons

```
self.children->select(gender = Gender::MALE)
self.children->select(child | child.gender = Gender::MALE)
self.children->select(child : Person | child.gender = Gender::MALE)
```

- select(iterator : type | body)
 - filters to select elements for which the body is true
- reject(iterator : type | body)
 - filters to reject elements for which the body is true
- cf multi-line Java loop





Collection::collect iteration

• Children

self.children

Grandchildren

self.children->collect(children)
self.children->collect(child | child.children)
self.children->collect(child : Person | child.children)

- collect(iterator : type | body)
 - creates a new collection comprising all the bodies
- any, exists, forAll, isUnique, iterate, one,





OCL Navigation Operators

anObject. ... object navigation aCollection-> ... collection navigation

	Object	Collection
•	Navigation	?
->	?	Navigation

Shorthands

aCollection. ... anObject-> ... implicit collect implicit collection





Implicit Collect Query



parents.parents = parents->collect(parents)

3 symbols, compared to 4 lines of Java 4 grandparents, but not all different!





Cleaned up query



parents.parents->asSet()->sortedBy(name)

->asSet() converts to Set(Person), removes duplicates

->sortedBy(name) alphabeticizes





Implicit Collection Conversion

	Object	Collection
•	Navigation	Implicit collect()
->	Implicit Collection	Navigation

self->notEmpty()

- Standard OCL idiom
 - Converts self (if an object) to a Collection of self
 - If self is a defined object
 - Implicit collection is not empty true
 - If self is an undefined object (null)
 - Implicit collection is empty false
 - If self is an error (invalid)
 - Implicit collection is also an error invalid



Collection::closure iteration



- children, grandchildren, greatgrandchildren etc self->closure(children)
- Implicit collection of self, then closure of all children [closure in MDT/OCL 1.2, probably in OMG OCL 2.3]



OCL as Implementation

class Person

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```
invariant AtLeastFiveLetters: name.size() >= 5;
invariant MixedGenderParents: father <> null and mother <> null:
invariant SelfIsNotAncestorOfSelf: self->closure(parents)->excludes(self);
property children#parents : Person[*];
property parents#children : Person[0..2];
attribute gender : Gender[1];
attribute name : String[1];
property father : Person[1] { derived, transient, volatile }
    derivation: parents->any(c : Person | c.gender = Gender::MALE);
property mother : Person[1] { derived, transient, volatile }
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    derivation: parents->any(c : Person | c.gender = Gender::FEMALE);
operation child(childName : String) : Person
    body: children->any(c : Person | c.name=childName);
```

}

any (x) iteration selects an arbitrary element for which x is true.





Derived Properties

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Person Cronos A Dorson Phone		

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🖶 Validation Problems

Problems encountered during validation

Reason: Diagnosis of Person Hera

<< Details

OK

- Inte 'AtLeastFiveLetters' constraint is violated on 'Person Hera'
- O The 'MixedGenderParents' constraint is violated on 'Person Hera'
- 🔇 The required feature 'father' of 'Person Hera' must be set
- 🏧 🔇 The required feature 'mother' of 'Person Hera' must be set

For Hera

invariant MixedGenderParents:
father.gender <>
mother.gender;

fails because father is **null** and mother is **null**





Other OCL Capabilities

No time to mention

- Other iterators, operations
- Tuples
- Association Classes/Qualifiers
- @pre values
- Messages
- States



OMG OCL Progress

OCL 2.2 (current) Collections are objects!

- Collection conforms to OclAny
- No need for Collection/Object polymorphic operations
- Collections can mix Object/Collection content

? OCL 2.4 Specification defined by models

- Auto-generated by Acceleo
- Fix too many consistency/typo/realizability issues
- Aligned with UML 2.4, MOF 2.4, XMI 2.4

Eclipse committers active on OMG RTF





Eclipse MDT/OCL

- Original code contribution by IBM
- Java callable API
 - Parse/evaluate OCL 1.x against Ecore meta-models
- Ecore or UML meta-models
 - OCL 2.0 (in so far as possible)
 - Example Interactive Console

OMG OCL 2.2 MDT/OCL 3.0

OMG OCL 1.x

EMFT/OCL 1.0

OMG OCL 2.0

MDT/OCL 1.2

- towards OCL 2.2
- Example Xtext editors (Ecore only)



	Validation History Use of OCL to define model validation
Eclipse 3.2	 EMF Validation Framework Embed OCL in XML CDATA
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Eclipse 3.3	 ENF, OCL EANNOLATIONS – Embed OCL in EAnnotation – Genmodel to integrate
Eclipse 3.6 EMF 2.6 MDT/OCL 3.0	 Delegates Embed OCL in EAnnotation EQUINATION

- EObject.eInvoke() for dynamic invocation
- OCLinEcore editor for semi-validated editing





OCLinEcore Editor

People trace 1.1			
	New	•	
People1.ecore			OCLinEcore (Ecore) Editor
>People 1. xmi	Open	F3	Sample Ecore Model Editor
People3.ecore	Open With	•	Sample Reflective Ecore Model Editor
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enum Gender

MALE: FEMALE :

- Open with -> OCLinEcore
- Save As *.ecore
 - Loses formatting and comments^{lass Person}
- Save As *.oclinecore
 - Text file preserves comments
- Useful for plain Ecore too:
 - Printable/reviewable text
 - Searchable/replaceable text

invariant AtLeastFiveLetters: name.size() >= 5; property children#parents : Person[*]; property parents#children : Person[0..2]; attribute gender : Gender[1]; attribute name : String[1]; 9Undo Chrl+7 Revert File oses }; Ctrl+S Save

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package people : tree = 'http://www.eclipse.org/examples/tree'



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Validation in Sample Ecore Editor



OCLinEcore editor maintains EAnnotations automatically OCLinEcore editor provides OCL syntax checking OCLinEcore editor will provide OCL semantic checking

eclipse



(Example) Tools and Tips

OCLinEcore editor for Ecore/embedded OCL CompleteOCL editor for OCL documents EssentialOCL editor for OCL Expressions (Papyrus) OCL Interactive Console

- Invaluable ability to practice non-trivial expressions
- Page Up/Page Down to reuse expressions

Meta-model reload after change Genmodel settings for embedded OCL



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EMF Dynamic Instances



Create/update Ecore meta-model Create XMI instance of EClass in meta-model Update XMI model, validate OCL constraints

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Meta-model Update



Edit UML/Ecore meta-model in UML/Ecore editor

- manual export of UML to Ecore in workspace
- manual save of Ecore to workspace

Create Dynamic Instance/Load Model in editor

validate/evaluate OCL constraints

EMF does not support meta-model mutation

- Model.eClass() reverts to an unresolved proxy
- must exit and re-enter model editor





Genmodel settings for OCL

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	Interface Name Pattern		
	Minimal Reflective Methods	🖳 true	
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	Model Plug-in Variables		
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If not set to true

- MDT/OCL 3.0.0 OCL operation bodies not invoked
- MDT/OCL 3.0.1 Error Log as dynamic fallback used





Eclipse MDT/OCL Futures

- 3.1 Core (Indigo)
 - Minor maintenance
- 3.1 Examples (Indigo)
 - New Ecore/UML blind pivot meta-model
 - Extensible modelled Standard Library
 - Xtext editors
 - Super-compliant anticipating OMG OCL resolutions
- 4.0 Core + Tools + Examples (Indigo+1)
 - 3.1 Examples promoted to Core or Tools
 - preserved external APIs, significant revision of internal APIs
 - OCL to Java code generation



Which OCL Use Cases work When

	Validate	Evaluate	Console	Editor
Static Java For Ecore	1.0	1.0	1.0 Examples	3.0 Examples
Static Java For UML	1.2	1.2	3.1 Examples	3.1 Examples
Complete OCL For Ecore	3.1 Examples	3.1 Examples	3.1 Examples	3.0 Examples
Complete OCL For UML	3.1 Examples	3.1 Examples	3.1 Examples	3.1 Examples
Embedded OCL in Ecore	3.0	3.0	3.0 Examples	3.0 Examples
Embedded OCL in UML	3.1 Examples	3.1 Examples	3.1 Examples	3.1 Examples

Released in Helios Example functionality in Helios Example functionality in Indigo, release in Indigo+1





OCL 'Standard' Library

Problems: OMG

- library is not a model
- uses non-UML concepts (Iterator)
- no reflection for OclAny::oclType()

Problems: MDT/OCL

- hard coded, difficult to extend
- UML/Ecore differences, long generic template lists
- Ecore/EMOF discrepancies : EClass/Class

Solution: OMG

- library is a model defined by the new OCL meta-model

Benefit: MDT/OCL



- variants, extensible, unified, compliant

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OCL Models

Problems: OMG

- OCL is not fully UML-aligned
- OCL modifies UML models (OclAny)
- Complete OCL modifies UML models
- OCL requires a modified sub-UML @ run-time

Problems: MDT/OCL

- UML/Ecore implementation differences, Ecore extension
- Ecore/EMOF discrepancies

Solution: OMG

- Pivot meta-model defines UML @ run-time
- Pivot model realises OCL-defined merges

Benefit: MDT/OCL



- unified, compliant, Ecore/EMOF hidden



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Evaluation

Problems: MDT/OCL:

- OCL interpreted by Java
- OperationCallExp visit is very inefficient
- Slightly hard to extend for QVTo, Acceleo
- OCL within genmodelled Java is just a String
 - significant first time parsing costs

Solution: MDT/OCL

- OCL to Java code generation
- Library model references a Java class per feature
- Code efficiency

Benefit: MDT/OCL

- extensible, faster (10 to 100 times ... iteration strategies)
- Java in genmodelled Java





Beyond OCL

OMG OCL is a powerful expression language

- Declarative, First Order Predicate Calculus/Logic
- Model-oriented, UML navigation, multiplicities, ...

Formal language supports formal analysis analysis supports optimisation

OCL's usefulness calls for scalable implementation





The Re-Evaluation Problem

- · A set of OCL expressions
- · A set of model elements
- · A model change notification
- Which of the OCL expressions may have changed its value on which context elements?
- · Naïve approach
 - re-evaluate all expressions for all their contexts
 - takes O(|expressions| * |modelElements|)





Example







Naïve Re-Evaluation Sequence



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Idea: Find out from Notification which OCLExpressions may have changed

Example: OCLExpression

self.arguments->size() = self.signature.parameters->size()

generates Notification filter

Many expressions cause

- many adapters
- with one (often non-trivial) Notification filter each
- which need evaluation for each change Notification





Filter Events for OCLExpressions



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Scaling up Event Filtering

Effort for event propagation still O(|expressions|)

- slowed down even if no Notification delivered







Idea: Use HashMaps

to map Notification to Set<Adapter>



	notifier.eClass() conforms to	Set <adapter> interested</adapter>
	Parameter	[a1, a7, a15]
	Signature	[a1, a3, a9]
- notifier		
- oldValue		
- newValue		
- feature - eventType	feature	Set <adapter> interested</adapter>
	NamedElement.name	[a3, a9, a14]
	Call.signature	[a7, a15]





Effects of HashMap-Based Eventing

Faster delivery for Notifications matched by event filters

No time increase for

expressions whose filters don't match a Notification



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Reducing Contexts for Re-Evaluation

- Use partial evaluation to prove value unchanged
 - self.name='abc' not affected by name change from 'x' to 'y'
- Use Notification object (notifier, oldValue, newValue) to navigate "backwards" to affected context objects
 - self.children.children.name
 - change attribute name ON x:Person
 - contexts for re-evaluation:
 - x.parents.parents
- Tricky for iterators and recursive operations, but solved.





Reduce Set of Context Elements



API Usage Example

```
EventManager eventManager =
                EventManagerFactory.eINSTANCE.createEventManagerFor(
                                              editingDomain.getResourceSet());
 final OCLExpression invariant = OCL.newInstance().createOCLHelper().
        createQuery("self.signature.parameters->size()=self.arguments->size()");
 final ImpactAnalyzer impactAnalyzer =
        ImpactAnalyzerFactory. INSTANCE, createImpactAnalyzer(invariant,
                /* notifyOnNewContextElements */ true, oppositeEndFinder)
 Adapter adapter = new AdapterImpl() {
    Override
    public void notifyChanged(Notification msg) {
       // revalidate invariant on context objects delivered by impact analysis:
       Collection<EObject> revalidateOn <impactAnalyzer.getContextObjects(msg):>
       if (revalidateOn != null && !revalidateOn.isEmpty()) {
           revalidate(invariant, revalidateOn);
       }
 };
wentManager.subscribe(impactAnalyzer.createFilterForExpression(), adapter);
```



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Benchmark Context Reduction (Average Case)





Benchmark Context Reduction (Worst Case)

(apply changes to very central elements, referenced by all other model packages)





Summary

MDT/OCL originally focussed on Java API Interactive Modeling Tools require OCL IDE

- EMF, Xtext, Acceleo, QVTo, OCL support richer OCL development environment
- Extensibility required by QVTo, Acceleo Efficiency required for serious use IDE starting to appear
 - Console, Editors

Expect/Demand much more Contributions welcome





OCL Resources

• OCL 2.2 Specification http://www.omg.org/spec/OCL/2.2

- Clause 7 is quite readable (many typos)

- The Object Constraint Language: Getting Your Models Ready For MDA Jos B. Warmer, Anneke Kleppe
- Eclipse MDT/OCL project http://www.eclipse.org/projects/project_summary.php?projectid=modeling.mdt.ocl
- Impact analysis

GIT: http://anonymous@www.furcas.org/furcas.git/ SVN: https://www.hpi.uni-potsdam.de/giese/gforge/svn/bp2009 Accounts: https://www.hpi.uni-potsdam.de/giese/gforge/



