

Compile-time 'reparsing'

Putting a Compiler Inside Your Compiler

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<https://svn.boost.org/svn/boost/sandbox/metagraph/boost/metagraph/angly>

Goal: Static Graph EDSL

```
typedef graph<node<A, edge<t, B>, edge<u, C> >,  
             node<B, edge<v, D> >,  
             node<C, edge<w, E> >,  
             node<D, edge<x, F> >,  
             node<E, edge<y, F>, edge<z, G> > >
```

```
adjacencies;
```

```
typedef typename angly::run_dfa<  
    typename mpl::first<graph_parser>::type,  
    graph_nodes,  
    adjacencies,  
    mpl::at<typename mpl::second<graph_parser>::type,  
            mpl::_1> >::type  
    graph_data;
```

```
typedef typename  
    mpl_graph::adjacency_list_graph<graph_data> parsed_graph;
```

So you want an EDSL

- Get a metaprogram to reparse the code
- Expression ASTs – Proto
- Strings – metaparse
- Bracket expressions - angly (roundy)
- Preprocessor metaprogramming

Graph-Parsing Automaton

```
typedef angly::dfa<
    angly::state<graph_nodes, mpl::true_, mpl::vector<>,
        angly::transition<graph_node, graph_nodes,
            angly::match_token<node<>>, node_name,
            mpl::push_back<mpl::_1, mpl::_2>>>,
    angly::state<node_name,
        angly::transition<node_name_trans, node_edges,
            mpl::always<mpl::true_>, void,
            mpl::pair<mpl::_2, mpl::vector<>>>>,
    angly::state<node_edges, mpl::true_,
        angly::transition<node_edge, node_edges,
            angly::match_token<edge<>>, edge_name,
            mpl::pair<mpl::first<mpl::_1>,
                mpl::push_back<mpl::second<mpl::_1>, mpl::_2>>>>,
    angly::state<edge_name,
        angly::transition<edge_name_trans, edge_target,
            mpl::always<mpl::true_>, void, mpl::_2>>,
    angly::state<edge_target,
        angly::transition<edge_target_trans, edge_done,
            mpl::always<mpl::true_>, void,
            mpl::pair<mpl::_1, mpl::_2>>>,
    angly::state<edge_done, mpl::true_>
> graph_dfa_desc;
```

Automaton-Parsing Automaton (eek!)

```

struct dfa_a_state :
    dfa_transition<match_token<state<>>,
        state_name,
        mpl::pair<mpl::push_back<mpl::first<mpl::_1>,
            mpl::pair<s_name<mpl::_2>,
                s_transitions<mpl::_2>>>,
            mpl::push_back<mpl::copy<s_stmap<mpl::_2>,
                mpl::back_inserter<mpl::second<mpl::_1>>>,
                mpl::pair<s_name<mpl::_2>,
                    detail::apply_seq_q<dfa_state>
                        ::apply<s_args<mpl::_2>>>>>> {}>>>,
        typedef boost::msm::mpl_graph::adjacency_list_graph<
mpl::vector<mpl::pair<dfa_states,
    mpl::vector<mpl::pair<dfa_a_state, dfa_states>>>,
mpl::pair<state_name,
    mpl::vector<mpl::pair<state_name_trans, state_finish>>>,
mpl::pair<state_finish,
    mpl::vector<mpl::pair<state_name_transition, state_transition
        mpl::pair<state_finish_trans, state_data>>>,
mpl::pair<state_data,
    mpl::vector<mpl::pair<state_finish_transition, state_transiti
        mpl::pair<state_data_trans, state_transitions>>>
    ...
>> dfa dfa;

```


Chomsky's Grammar Hierarchy

Type	Grammar	Machine
0	recursively enumerable	Turing machine
1	context-sensitive	linear-bounded TM
2	context-free	pushdown automaton
3	regular expressions	finite state automaton

Proto, metaparse, and angly all parse **Type 2** grammars

Recursive descent vs. pushdown automaton

- Equivalent computation
- Use the compiler's stack vs. explicit stack
- Backtracking allows non-determinism
- Proto, metaparse – backtracking, implicit stack
- angly (roundy) – deterministic, explicit stack

Proto

```
struct MapListOf
: proto::or <
    proto::when<
        proto::function<
            proto::terminal<map_list_of_tag>
            , proto::terminal< >
            , proto::terminal<_>
        >
        , insert(
            proto::_data
            , proto::_value(proto::_child1)
            , proto::_value(proto::_child2)
        )
    >
    , proto::when<
        proto::function<
            MapListOf
            , proto::terminal< >
            , proto::terminal<_>
        >
        , insert(
            MapListOf(proto::_child0)
            , proto::_value(proto::_child1)
            , proto::_value(proto::_child2)
        )
    >
> std::map<std::string, int> op = map_list_of("<", 1)("<=", 2)(">", 3);
{};
```


Metaparse

```
/* expression ::= plus_exp
 * plus_exp ::= prod_exp ((plus_token | minus_token) prod_exp)*
 * prod_exp ::= int_token ((mult_token | div_token) int_token)*
 */
typedef
  foldlp<
    sequence<one_of<mult_token, div_token>, int_token>,
    int_token,
    eval_mult
  >
  prod_exp;

typedef
  foldlp<
    sequence<one_of<plus_token, minus_token>, prod_exp>,
    prod_exp,
    eval_plus
  >
  plus_exp;

typedef last_of<any<space>, plus_exp> expression;

apply_wrap1<calculator_parser, _S(" 1+ 2*4-6/2")>::type::value
```

Taking Apart Templates

```
template<typename T> struct de_arg { typedef void type; }
template<template<typename...> class Template,
        typename ...Args>
struct de_arg<Template<Args...> > {
    typedef Template<> type;
};

template<typename ...Args> struct variadic_to_mpl;
template<> struct variadic_to_mpl<> : mpl::vector<> {};
template<typename Head, typename ...Args>
struct variadic_to_mpl<Head, Args...>
    : mpl::push_front<typename variadic_to_mpl<Args...>::type,
        Head> {};

template<typename T> struct arg_seq;
template<template<typename...> class Template,
        typename ...Args>
struct arg_seq<Template<Args...> >
    : variadic_to_mpl<Args...> {};
```


Onward and Inward...

```
template<typename DFA, typename StartState, typename Input,
        typename PropFn>
struct dfa_sequence {
    typedef typename detail::de_arg<Input>::type token;
    typedef typename detail::arg_seq<Input>::type inner_seq;
    typedef typename detail::create_stack<
        typename get_state_start_data<typename PropFn::template
            apply<StartState>::type>::type,
        StartState,
        typename mpl::begin<inner_seq>::type,
        typename mpl::end<inner_seq>::type>::type stack;
    typedef detail::dfa_iter<DFA, stack, PropFn> begin;
    typedef detail::dfa_end end;
};

template<typename DFA, typename StartState, typename Input,
        typename PropFn = mpl::_1>
struct run_dfa :
    mpl::fold<dfa_sequence<DFA, StartState, Input,
        typename mpl::lambda<PropFn>::type>,
        void,
        mpl::_2 > {}; // iterate until done
```

Iterators

```
template<typename Stack>
struct stack_is_done :
    boost::is_same<
        typename get_frame_state<
            typename mpl::front<Stack>::type>::type,
            utterly_done_state>
    >{};

struct dfa_end {};

template<typename DFA, typename Stack, typename PropFn>
struct dfa_iter {
    static_assert(!stack_is_done<Stack>::value,
        "iterate past end of DFA sequence");
    typedef typename dfa_step<DFA, Stack, PropFn>::type eval;

    typedef typename
    mpl::if_<typename stack_is_done<eval>::type,
        dfa_end,
        dfa_iter<DFA, eval, PropFn> >::type next;
    typedef typename get_frame_data<
        typename mpl::front<eval>::type>::type type;
};
```


Creation

```
struct utterly_done_state {};  
  
template<typename Data, typename StartState,  
        typename CurrIter, typename EndIter>  
struct create_stack {  
    typedef mpl::vector<typename  
        create_frame<Data,  
                    StartState,  
                    CurrIter,  
                    EndIter>::type,  
        typename //end-frame  
        create_frame<void,utterly_done_state,  
                    void, void, mpl::_2>::type  
    > type;  
};
```

Interlude: Graph Metaprogramming

- “Graphs are more common in metaprogramming than in runtime programming”
 - Control flow, data flow, call graphs, parallelization
 - Pointers, component configuration, schemas
 - State machines
 - Class hierarchies
 - Ownership, containment
 - Grammars, abstract syntax trees, expression trees

Analyzing & Generating Code from Graphs

- A class node encapsulates any program element: object, code, state, rule
- Edges represent the relations
- Graph metadata can be used to
 - prove things about code
 - structure code better
 - generate complex programs robustly

Graph Metadata Languages

- Nodes and edges are types
- Text only allows hierarchical tree structure
- Cross references make it graphy
- Most are more than vanilla node/edge graphs
 - typed edges / nodes
 - multiple identities (node is an edge is a graph)
 - easy for text to represent

A Single Step

```
template<typename DFA, typename Stack, typename PropFn>
struct dfa_step {
    typedef typename mpl::front<Stack>::type frame;
    typedef typename get_frame_curr_iter<frame>::type
        curr_iter;
    typedef typename get_frame_end_iter<frame>::type
        end_iter;

    typedef typename
    mpl::eval_if<typename boost::is_same<curr_iter,
                                           end_iter>::type,
                finish_frame<Stack, PropFn>,
                dfa_follow<DFA, Stack, PropFn>
                >::type type;
};
```

Transition

```
template<typename DFA, typename Stack, typename PropFn>
struct dfa_follow {
    typedef typename mpl::front<Stack>::type frame;

    typedef typename get_frame_curr_iter<frame>::type curr_iter;
    typedef typename mpl::deref<curr_iter>::type item;
    typedef typename match_item<DFA,
        typename get_frame_state<frame>::type, item, PropFn
    >::type match;
    typedef typename
    get_transition_recurse_rule<typename
        PropFn::template apply<match>::type>::type recurse_rule;
    typedef typename mpl::eval_if<
        typename boost::is_same<void, recurse_rule>::type,
        dfa_follow_no_recurse<DFA, Stack, match, item, PropFn>,
        dfa_follow_recurse<DFA, Stack, recurse_rule,
            match, item, PropFn> >::type type;
};
```


No Recurse

```
struct dfa_follow_no_recurse {  
    typedef typename mpl::front<Stack>::type frame;  
    typedef typename mpl::pop_front<Stack>::type popt;  
    typedef typename  
    mpl::push_front<popt, typename create_frame<  
        typename mpl::apply<typename get_transition_post_action<  
            typename PropFn::template apply<Match>::type>::type,  
                typename get_frame_data<frame>::type,  
                    Item>::type,  
        typename msm::mpl_graph::target<Match, DFA>::type,  
        typename mpl::next<  
            typename get_frame_curr_iter<frame>::type>::type,  
            typename get_frame_end_iter<frame>::type>::type  
        >::type type;  
};
```

Recurring 1

```
template<typename DFA, typename Stack, typename RecurseRule,
        typename Match, typename Item, typename PropFn>
struct dfa_follow_recurse {
    typedef typename mpl::front<Stack>::type frame;
    typedef typename mpl::pop_front<Stack>::type popt;
    typedef typename
mpl::push_front<popt, typename create_frame<
    typename get_frame_data<frame>::type,
    typename msm::mpl_graph::target<Match, DFA>::type,
    typename mpl::next<
        typename get_frame_curr_iter<frame>::type>::type,
    typename get_frame_end_iter<frame>::type,
    typename get_transition_post_action<
        typename PropFn::template apply<Match>::type>::type>::type
>::type parent;
```


Recurring 2

```
typedef typename detail::arg_seq<Item>::type inner_seq;
typedef typename
mpl::push_front<parent, typename create_frame<
    typename mpl::apply<
        typename get_transition_pre_action<
            typename PropFn::template apply<Match>::type>::type,
            typename get_frame_data<frame>::type,
            typename get_state_start_data<
                typename PropFn::template apply<RecurseRule>::type
            >::type
        >::type,
        RecurseRule,
        typename mpl::begin<inner_seq>::type,
        typename mpl::end<inner_seq>::type>::type>::type type;
};
```

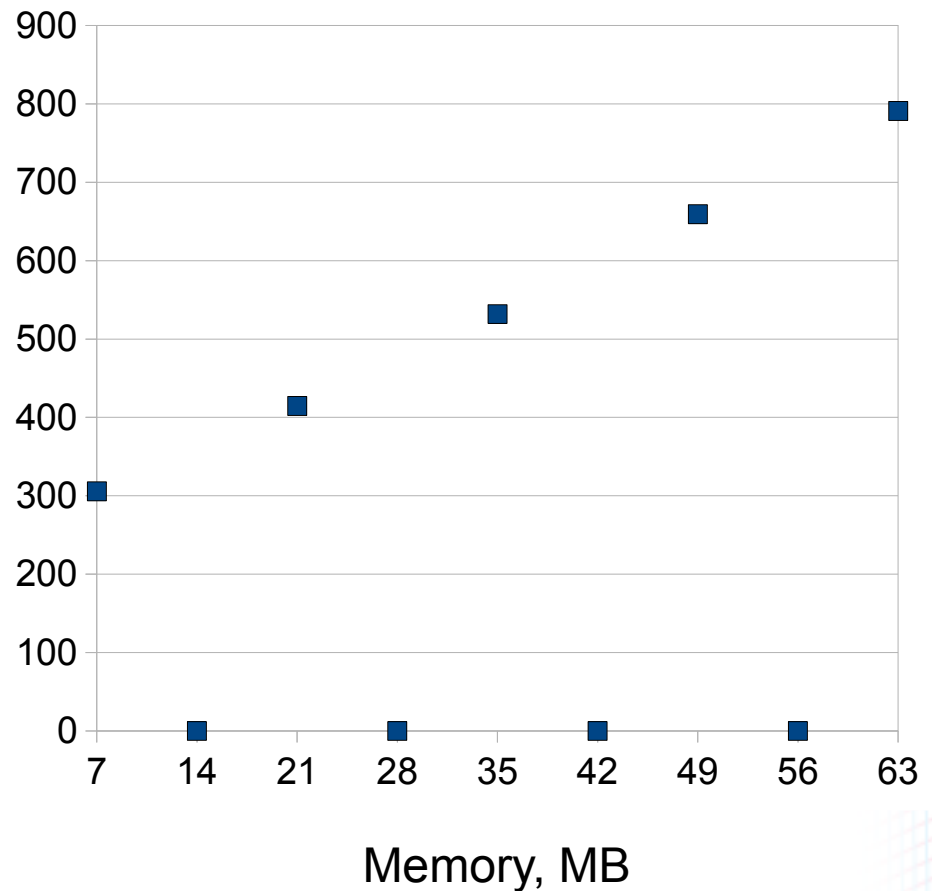
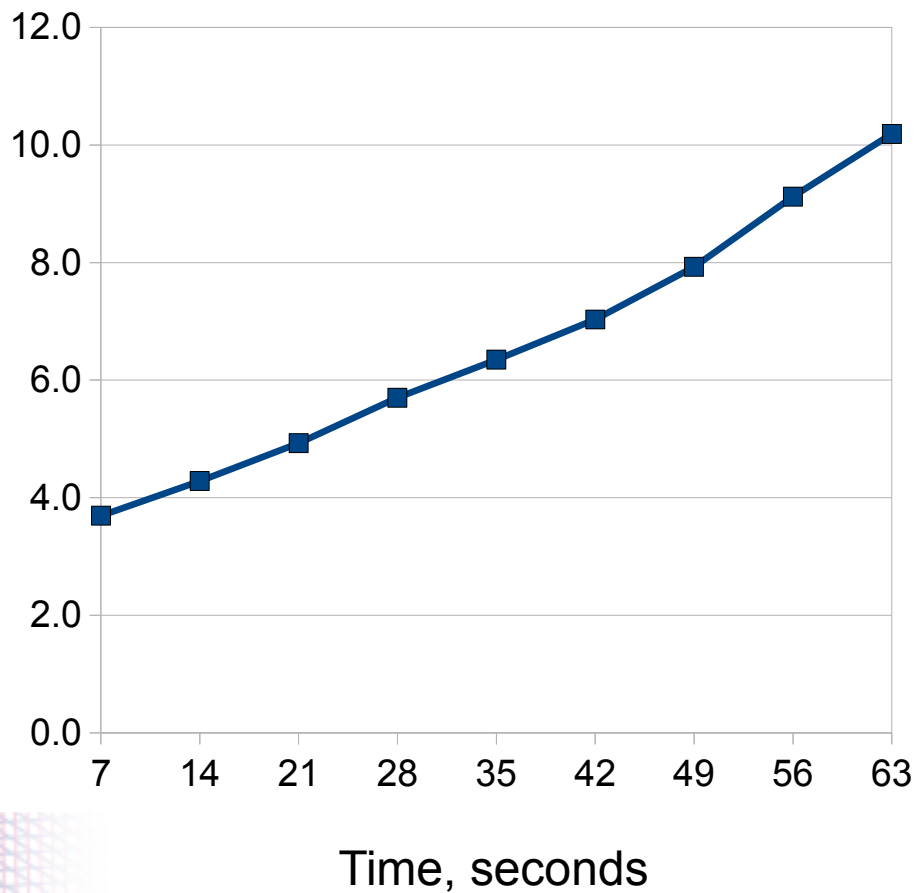
Popping Out

```
template<typename Stack, typename PropFn>
struct finish_frame {
    typedef typename mpl::front<Stack>::type frame;
    static_assert(is_finish_state<
        typename PropFn::template apply<
            typename get_frame_state<frame>::type>::type>::value,
            "must be in finishing state when input ends");

    typedef typename get_frame_data<frame>::type result;
    typedef typename mpl::pop_front<Stack>::type popt;
    typedef typename mpl::front<popt>::type frame2;
    typedef typename mpl::pop_front<popt>::type popt2;
    typedef typename
    mpl::push_front<popt2,
        typename
        set_data<frame2,
            typename
            mpl::apply<typename get_frame_action<frame2>::type,
                typename get_frame_data<frame2>::type,
                result>::type>::type type;
};
```


Performance

Parsing a graph with N nodes and N edges



gcc 4.6, 2 GHz Core i7, 16GB

Possible Futures

- Parse round brackets & mixtures
- Consider friendlier interfaces
- Generalize to general pushdown automaton
- Profile / improve performance
- Metagraphs!

Conclusion

Eventually we will replace the compiler with a metaprogram.

Conclusion

- If you ignore typename and ::template, TMP isn't really all that noisy
- (re)Parser designs converge
- Declarative languages on types are practical and fun