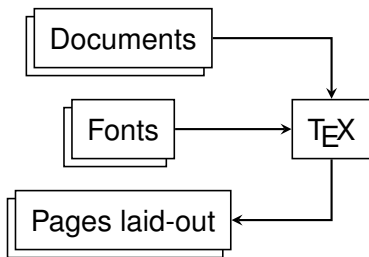


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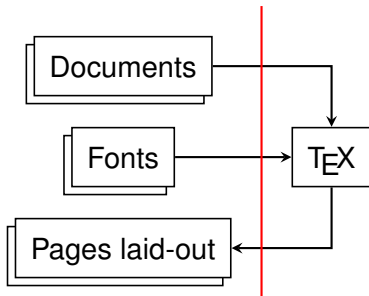
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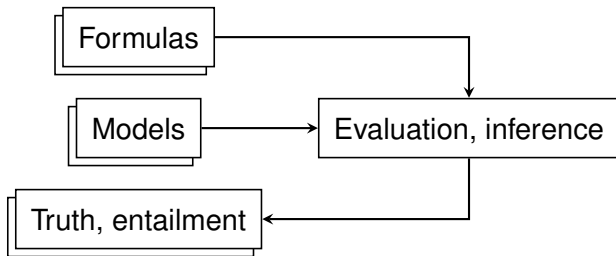
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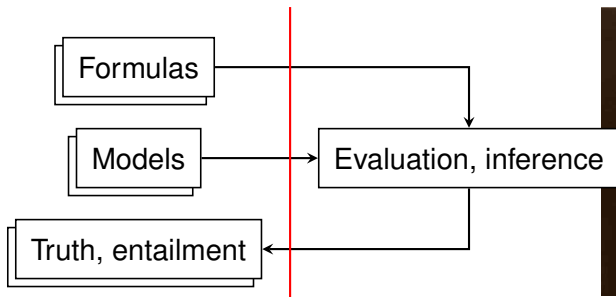
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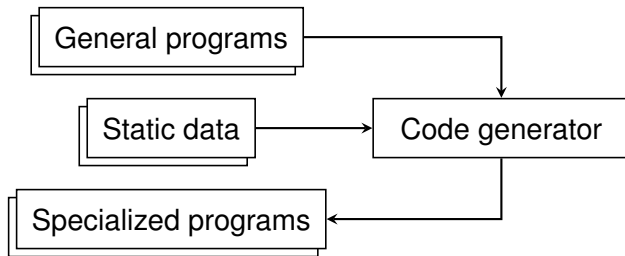


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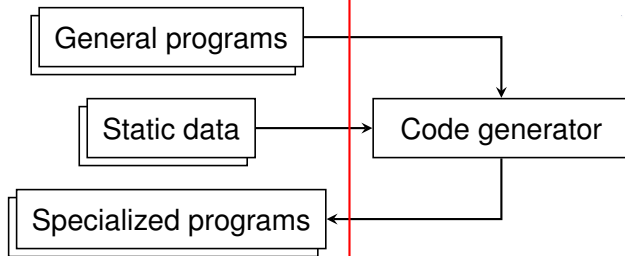
1. setting up a certain simple artificial language, that of tensed intensional logic,
2. giving the semantics of that language, and
3. interpreting English indirectly by showing in a rigorous way how to translate it into the artificial language.

This is the procedure we shall adopt . . .” —*Richard Montague*

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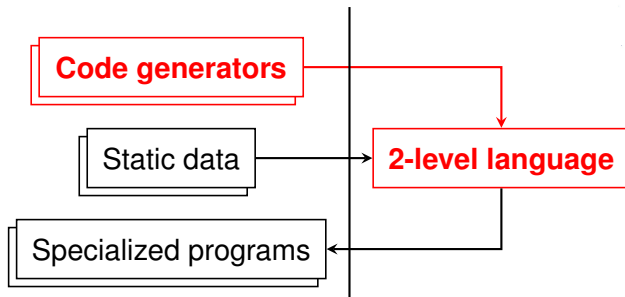
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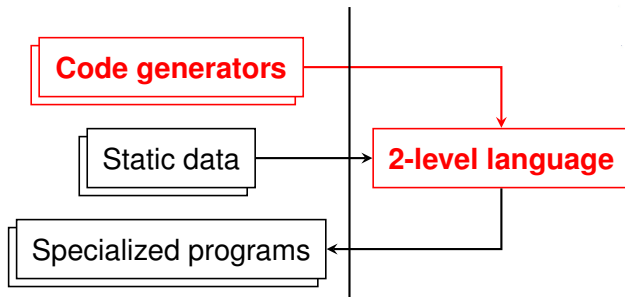
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ATLAS generates optimized code for matrix multiplication:

```
for (j=0; j < nu; j++)
{
  for (i=0; i < mu; i++)
  {
    if (Asg1stC && !k)
      fprintf(fpout, "%s  %s%d_%d = %s%d * %s%d;\n",
              spc, rC, i, j, rA, i, rB, j);
    else
      fprintf(fpout, "%s  %s%d_%d += %s%d * %s%d;\n",
              spc, rC, i, j, rA, i, rB, j);
    opfetch(fpout, spc, nfetch, rA, rB, pA, pB,
            mu, nu, offA, offB, lda, ldb, mulA, mulB,
            rowA, rowB, &ia, &ib);
  }
}
```

# Accidental language design



Want **safety**: generate well-formed programs only  
← track object variable bindings

Want **clarity**: generators resemble textbook algorithms  
← provide delimited control operators

# Outline

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## Gibonacci example

Like Fibonacci, but not always starting with 1 and 1.

```
let gib x y =  
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    if n = 0 then x else  
    if n = 1 then y else  
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```

`gib 1 1 5`  $\longrightarrow$  8

Other domains:

- ▶ Gaussian elimination
- ▶ Fast Fourier Transform
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## Gibonacci example, specialized

Familiar from quasiquotation, macros, PE, or just printf.

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```

```
.<fun x y -> .~(gib .<x>. .<y>. 5)>.
```

```
→ .<fun x_0 -> fun y_1 ->  
  (((y_1 + x_0) + y_1) + (y_1 + x_0)) +  
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```

Code values can be open when evaluating under generated  $\lambda$ ,  
but the generated code is always well-scoped.

Binding context follows evaluation context, implicitly!

## Gibonacci example, memoized

Keep a memo table as mutable state.

```
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    if n = 0 then x else
    if n = 1 then y else
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Other domain-specific optimizations:

- ▶ Dynamic programming
- ▶ Pivoting matrices
- ▶ Simplifying arithmetic on complex roots of unity ...

## Gibonacci example, specialized, memoized?

A naive combination duplicates code, as when unfolding in PE.

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Generating code fast is not generating fast code!

## Two problems

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.<fun y -> .~(r := .<y>. ; .<()>.)>. ;
!r
```

→ .<y\_1>.

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The diagram illustrates scope extrusion with two annotations: 'loop 2' and 'loop 3'. 'loop 2' has two red arrows pointing to the 'let t\_2 = y\_1 + x\_0 in' line and the 't\_2' variable in the expression 't\_3 + t\_2'. 'loop 3' has two red arrows pointing to the 'let t\_3 = t\_2 + y\_1 in' line and the 't\_3' variable in the expression 't\_3 + t\_2'. The 'let t\_2 = y\_1 + x\_0 in' line is highlighted in yellow, and the 'let t\_3 = t\_2 + y\_1 in t\_3 + t\_2' line is highlighted in orange.

(Similar: need to insert if/assert.)

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Importing `k` under `let` is ok because code is opaque!

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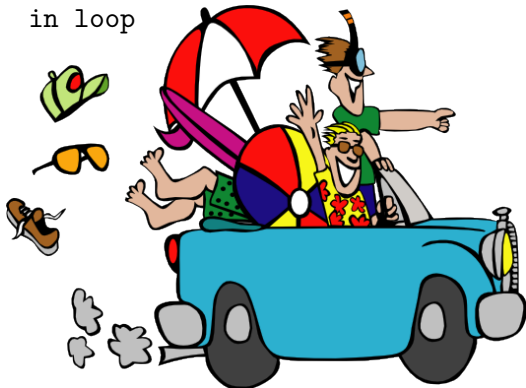


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```



## Preventing scope extrusion



Custom generators

≠

Fixed generator



Low-hanging fruit:

For safety, simply **treat later binders as earlier delimiters** in the operational semantics and type system.

(Existing practice; Thiemann & Dussart's constraint on state)

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Expressions  $e ::= x \mid i \mid e + e \mid \lambda x. e \mid \text{fix} \mid ee$   
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Contexts  $C^0 ::= C^0[\square e] \mid C^0[v^0 \square] \mid C^1[\sim \square] \mid \square \mid \dots$   
 $C^1 ::= C^1[\square e] \mid C^1[v^1 \square] \mid C^0[\langle \square \rangle] \mid \dots$

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**Delimited control**      **Code generation**

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$\vdots$



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$$\begin{aligned} \{1 + 1\} + 1 &\rightsquigarrow_+ \{2\} + 1 \\ &\rightsquigarrow_{\{\}} 2 + 1 \\ &\rightsquigarrow_+ 3 \end{aligned}$$

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Can write:

- ▶ memoizing fixpoint, CPS translation, partial evaluation
- ▶ dynamic programming
- ▶ Gaussian elimination
- ▶ Markov models with ‘symbolic’ matrix multiplications

Cannot write:

- ▶ loop-invariant code motion
- ▶ inserting `let/if/assert` at outermost possible scope

$$\{\langle \lambda i. \sim(\text{出 } \lambda k. \langle \text{let } x = 40 + 2 \text{ in } \sim(k \langle i + x \rangle) \rangle) \rangle\}$$

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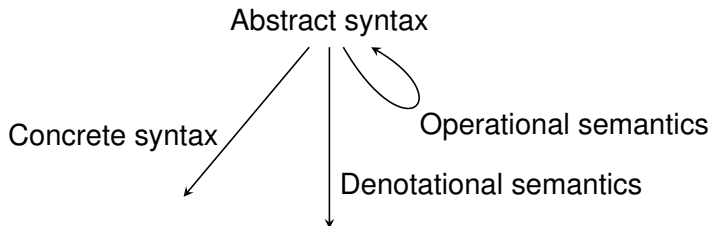
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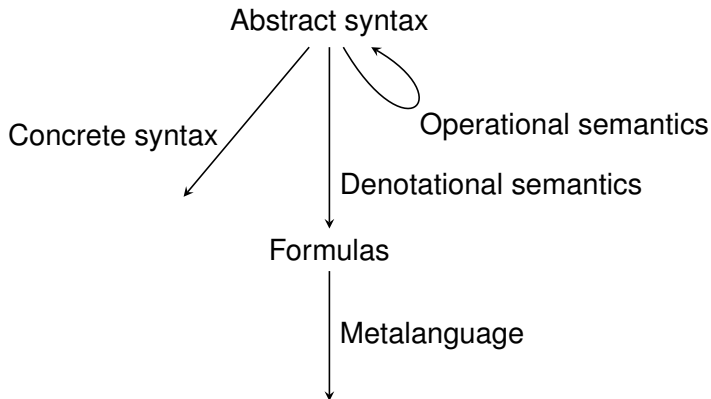
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Cf. introductory logic.

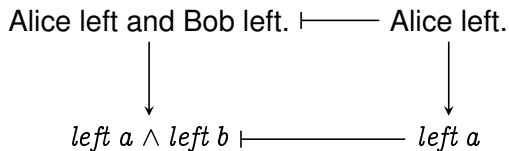
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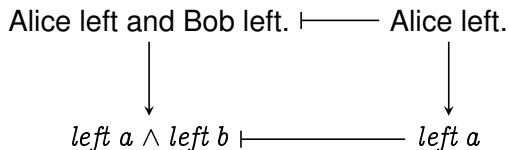


*left a*  $\wedge$  *left b*

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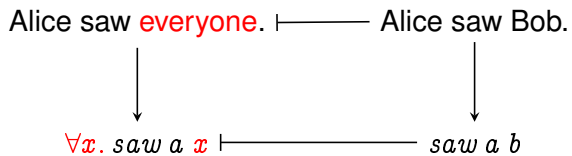
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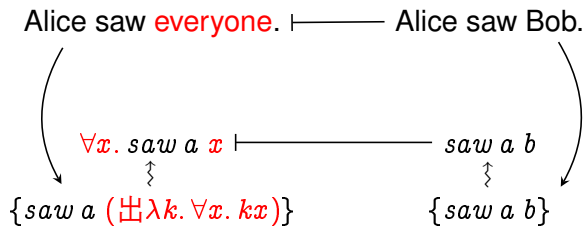
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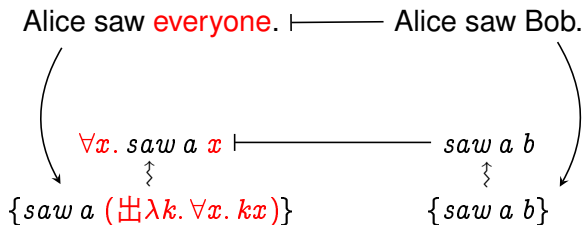
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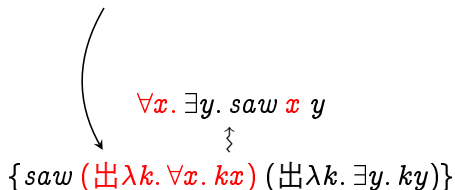
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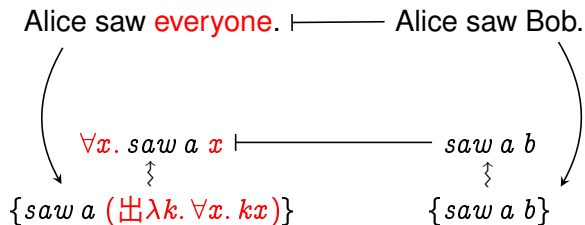


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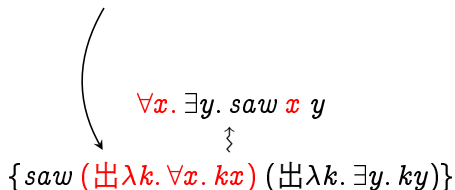




# Delimited control for quantifiers



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Simulate other **linguistic side effects**: pronouns, questions, ...

## Evaluation order

**Surface scope** is preferred over **inverse scope**:

- ▶ Everyone saw someone.

**Anaphora** is preferred over **cataphora**:

- ▶ Everyone's father saw her mother.
  - \* Her father saw everyone's mother.

**Gap** tends to precede **wh-phrase**:

- ▶ Who do you think saw what?
  - \* What do you think who saw?

Reuse the same default of left-to-right evaluation for a more concise explanation.

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↓  
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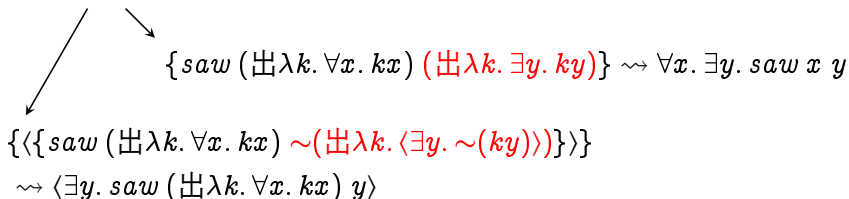
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## Inverse quantifier scope

It is an attractive scientific hypothesis that evaluation order is *always* from left to right.

Everyone saw **someone**.



However, reducing generated shift statically is hard.

$$\{\langle \forall x. saw\ x \sim (\lambda k. \langle \exists y. \sim(ky) \rangle) \rangle\}$$

If only ...

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# Loop-invariant code motion

We want:

$$\langle \lambda i. \text{let } y = i + (\dots 40 + 2 \dots) \text{ in } y + y \rangle \rightsquigarrow \\ \langle \text{let } x = 40 + 2 \text{ in } \lambda i. \text{let } y = i + x \text{ in } y + y \rangle$$

Or in a two-level calculus:

$$\underline{\lambda} i. (\underline{\lambda} y. y + y)(i + (\dots \underline{40} + \underline{2} \dots)) \rightsquigarrow$$

Or in CPS:

$$(\underline{\lambda} i. \underline{\lambda} k. (\underline{\lambda} y. \underline{\lambda} k'. k'(y + y))(\underline{\lambda} l. \\ (\dots \underline{40} + \underline{2} \dots)(\underline{\lambda} x. \\ k(l(i + x))))) \\ (\underline{\lambda} z. z) \rightsquigarrow$$

## Contextual modalities

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Manage environment explicitly using de Bruijn indices:

$$\underline{\lambda}((\underline{\lambda}(\text{zero} + \text{zero})) \\ (\text{zero} + \text{出}\lambda k. (\underline{\lambda}(\text{throw} (\text{import } k) \text{zero}))(\underline{40} + \underline{2})))$$

The continuation  $k : [i : \text{int}] \text{int} \rightarrow [] \text{int}$

$\text{import } k : [i : \text{int}, x : \text{int}] \text{int} \rightarrow [x : \text{int}] \text{int}$

(Nanevski, Pfenning & Pientka 2008)

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## Using environment classifiers

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Create a region for  $\underline{\lambda}i$ .

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{region } (\underline{\lambda}i. \lambda k. (\underline{\lambda}y. \lambda k'. k'(y + y))(\lambda l. \\ & \quad (\lambda k. \lambda m. \lambda n. (\underline{\lambda}x. kxm)(\lambda l. n(l(\underline{40} + \underline{2})))))(\lambda x. \\ & \quad \quad k(l(i + x)))))) \\ & (\lambda z. \lambda k. kz)(\lambda z. \lambda k. kz) \end{aligned}$$

Continuation hierarchy:  $k$  up to  $\underline{\lambda}i$ .  $m$  up to  $\underline{\lambda}x$ .  $n$  beyond

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# The ends

Metalanguages for

- ▶ high-performance/embedded computing
- ▶ natural-language semantics of scope and quotation

need

- ▶ **safety** ← track object variable bindings
- ▶ **clarity** ← provide delimited control operators

Help!