Applications of Metatheory: Verification of Compiler Optimisations

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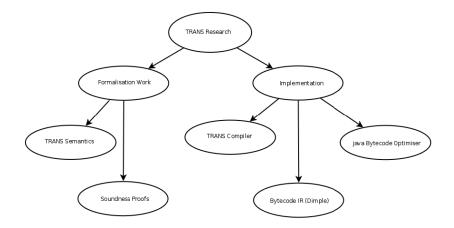
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- Prove Soundness of transformations

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Architecture - Overview



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for(int i = 0; i <10; i++) {
    y = z*5;
    x += y*i;
}</pre>
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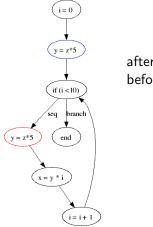
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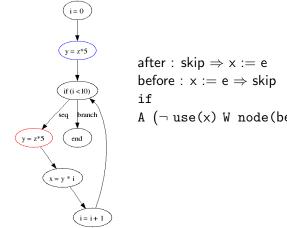


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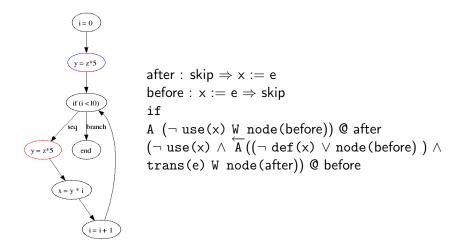


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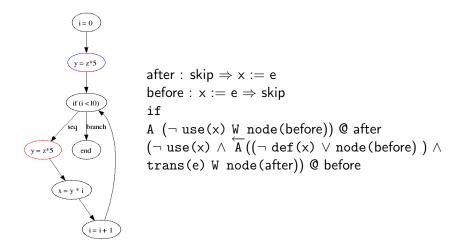
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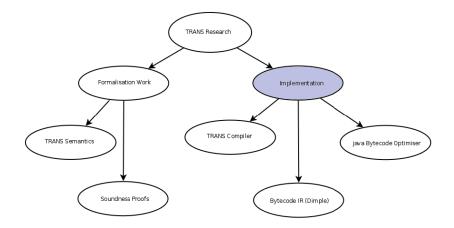
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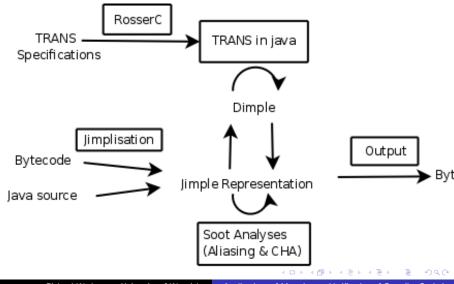
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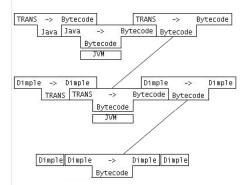
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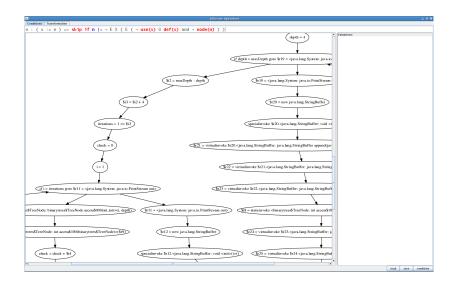
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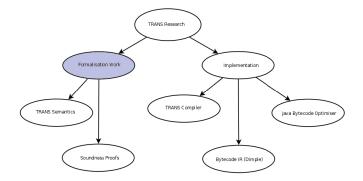
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- TV, Credible Compilation

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Ongoing work

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- Inter-procedural optimisation

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Conclusions

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Questions?

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