

# Reuso estratégico com linhas de produtos de software

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# Decision models for variability implementation

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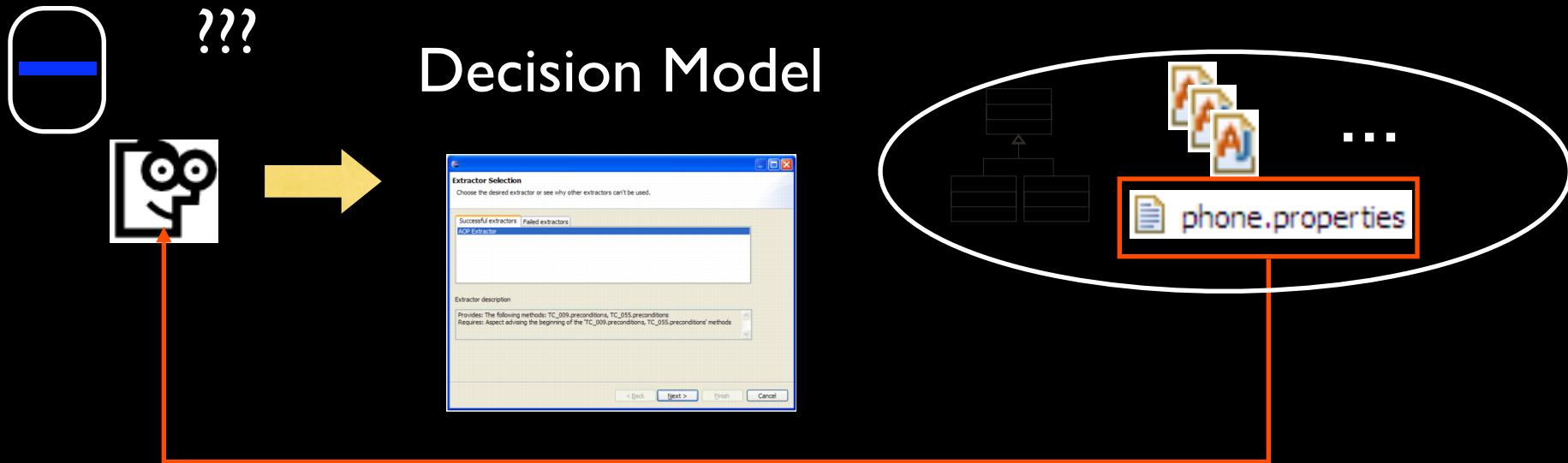
# Problem

 Which mechanisms to use for **structuring** SPL variabilities?

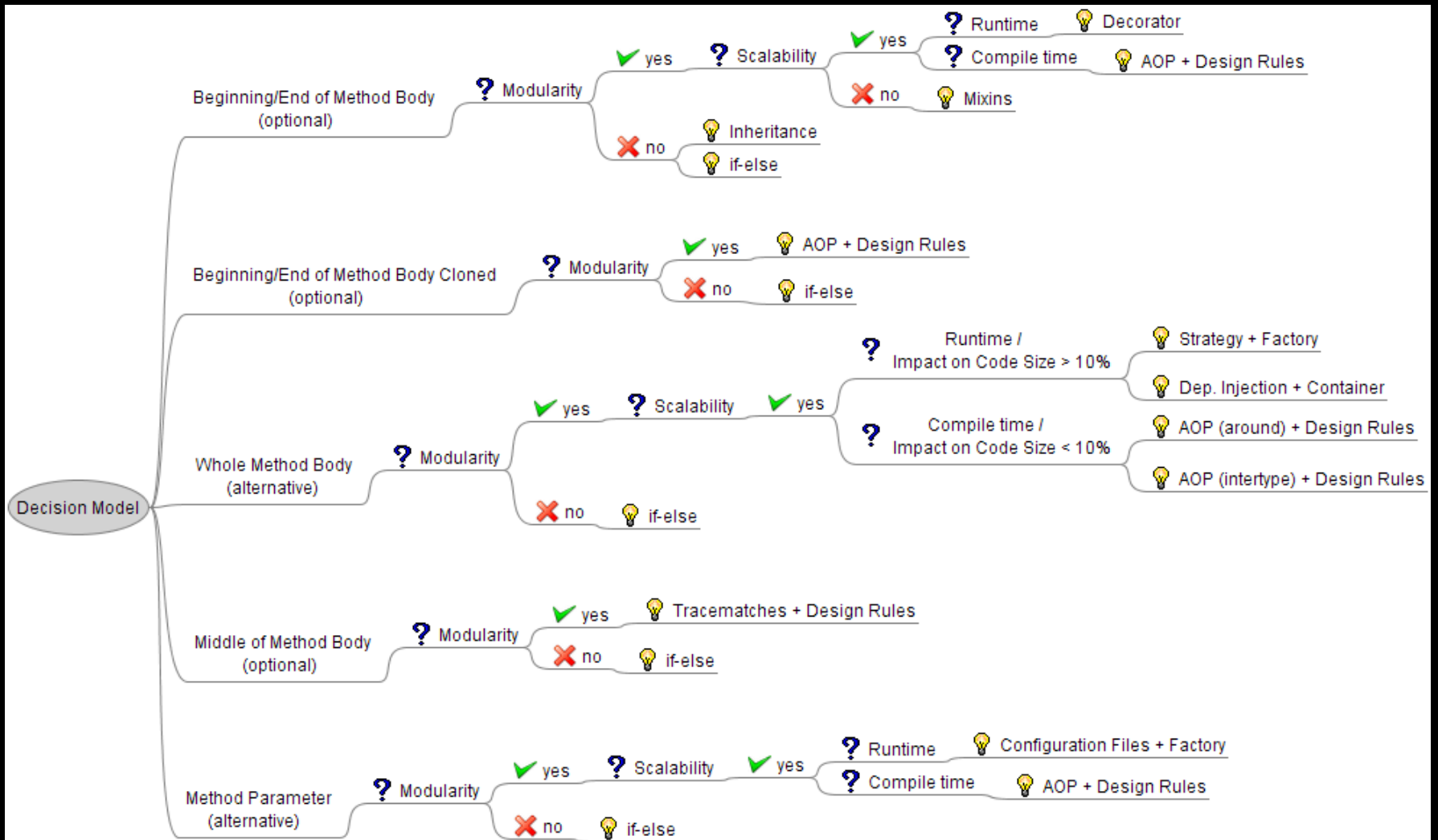
- Selecting the **correct** ones...
  - Difficult task due to the great variety of mechanisms
- Selecting the **incorrect** ones...
  - Negative effects on the cost to maintain the SPL
  - Cloned code and no modularization
  - Increasing developer's effort
  - Decreasing productivity when evolving SPL

# Proposed Solution

- Decision Model to help developers when choosing mechanisms to implement variabilities



# Decision models



# Criteria

Coplien	Anastasopoulos /Gacek	Patzke/ Muthig	CIn-MB	CIn-OB
What is variation and what is commonality ?	Positive/Negative	Optional/ Alternative/ OR	Location/ Structure	Location/ Structure
	Optional/ Alternative	Market and tool support	Optional/ Alternative	Optional/ Alternative
Positive/ Negative	Binding time	Complexity of the SPL	Modularity	Binding time
Biding time	Traceability		Scalability	Modularity
	Scalability		Binding time	Size
	SoC (crosscutting)			SoC/SoV
				Efficiency

# Techniques

Coplien	Anastasopoulos /Gacek	Patzke/ Muthig	CIn-MB	PedroCIn-OB
C++ (Data, Inheritance, Virtual Functions, Overloading, Templates, Preprocessor Directives)	Agregation / Delegation Inheritance Parameterization Properties Dynamic class loading Static libraries Dynamic link libraries Conditional Compilation Frames Reflection AOP	Condional compilation  Polymorphism  Defaults  Refinements	Inheritance  Configuration Files  Conditional Compilation  AOP  Mixins  Component Technology	Configuration Files  AOP  Conditional Compilation  Inheritance  Agregation/ Delegation  Mixins

# Anastasopoulos and Gacek

	<i>Interface</i>					<i>Implementation</i>					<i>Initialization</i>					<i>Timing</i>				<i>Other</i>		
	Positive	Negative	Optional	Alternative	Multioptional	Positive	Negative	Optional	Alternative	Multioptional	Positive	Negative	Optional	Alternative	Multioptional	Compile	Link	Run	Postrun	Scalability	Traceability	SoC
Aggregation / Delegation						○	○	○	●	●	○	○	○	●	●	○	○	○	○	●	●	○
Aspect-oriented programming	○	●	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
Conditional Compilation	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○				●	●	○
Dynamic Class Loading						○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○			○		○	○	○
Dynamic Link Libraries						○		○	○	○	○		○	○	○	○		○		○	○	○
Frames	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○				●	○	●
Inheritance	○		○		○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○		○		●	○	○
Overloading	○	○		○		○	○		○		○	○		○		○				●	●	●
Parameterization						○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○		○	○	●	○	●
(Delphi) Properties						○	○	○	●	●	○	○	○	●	●	○	○	○	○	●	●	●
Static Libraries						○		○	○	○	○		○	○	○		○			●	●	○

**Legend:** ○: possible; ●: ineffective / difficult; ○: questionable; blank: not possible



# Anastasopoulos and Gacek

	C++	Delphi	Java	Smalltalk
Aggregation / Delegation	○	○	○	○
Aspect-oriented programming			○	○
Conditional Compilation	○	○	○	○
Dynamic Class Loading			○	?
Dynamic Link Libraries	○	○	(JNI*)	○
Frames	○	○	○	○
Inheritance	○	○	○	○
Overloading	○	○		○
Parameterization	○	○	○	○
(Delphi) Properties		○		
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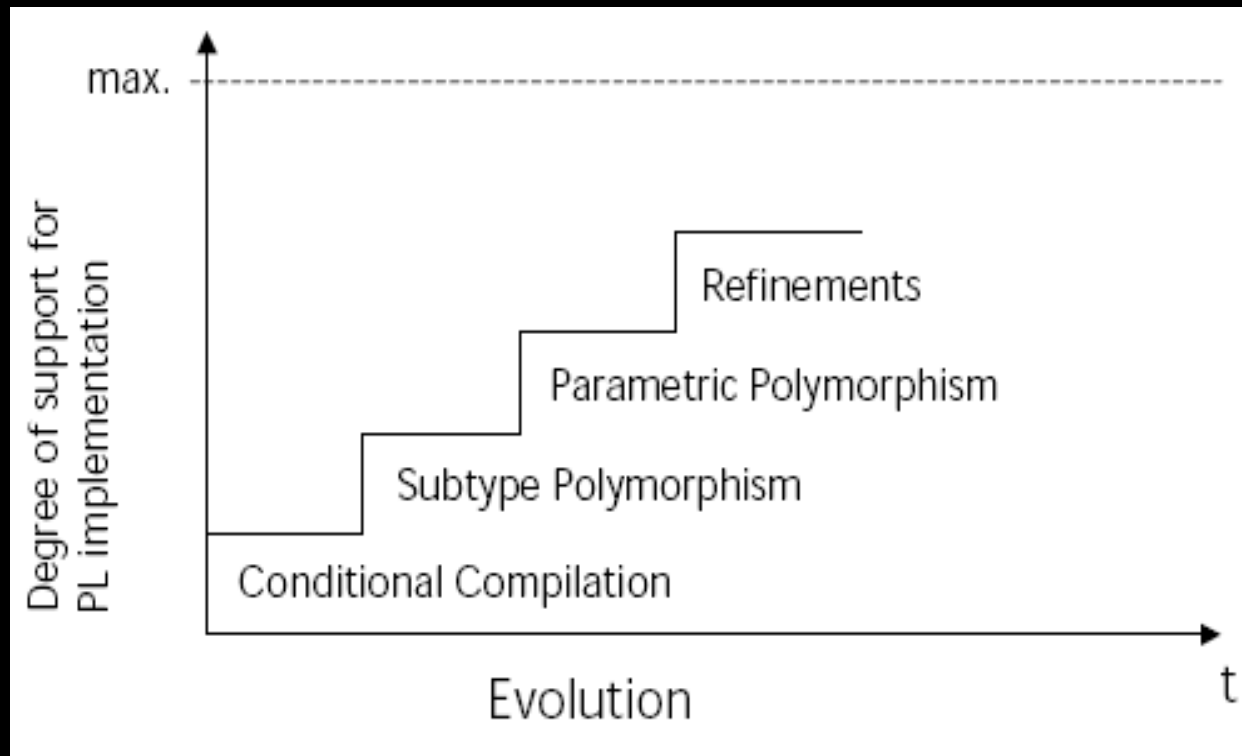
# Patzke and Muthig

	Optional	XOR	OR
Conditional Compilation	X	x	
Subtype Polymorphism		X	
Parametric Polymorphism	x	X	X
Overloading		X	
Coercion	x	x	x
Defaults	X		
Collaborations	x	x	X
AOP	x	x	X

# Patzke and Muthig

	Advantages	Disadvantages
Conditional Compilation	well-known, no space/ performance loss fine-grained	no direct language support, unscalable
Subtype Polymorphism	often well-known, dynamic	performance loss, OR-variability difficult to express
Parametric Polymorphism	no performance loss, all 3 kinds of variability expressible, built-in	less known, less supported
Ad-Hoc Polymorphism	often well-known	less important than universal polymorphism
Collaborations	good support for PL Implementation	generally not well-known, might require tools
AOP	good support for PL Implementation	often requires tools, market caution
Frame Processor	good support for PL Implementation	not well-known, additional tool

# Technique support for SPL complexity



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- Identification of Variation Types
  - Variations are classified by the location where they appear in the source code and the structure of the programming language that varies
    - Focus on the **extractive** and **reactive** SPL adoption approaches
    - Supports the development of variations extraction tools

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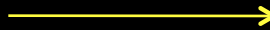
public void outAMethodDeclaration(AMethodDeclaration node) {
    Metodo metodo = Context.getInstance().currentClass.currentMethod;
    System.out.println(metodo);
    Context.getInstance().currentClass.getMetodos().add(metodo);
    Context.getInstance().contextoActual = ContextoActual.CLASSE;
}

public void inAMethodDeclaration(AMethodDeclaration node) {
    Context.getInstance().contextoActual = ContextoActual.METODO;
    Metodo metodo = new Metodo();
    Context.getInstance().currentClass.currentMethod = metodo;

    String tipo = "";
    FMethodHeader mh = node.getMethodHeader();
    if (mh instanceof ATypeMethodHeader) {
        ATypeMethodHeader tmh = (ATypeMethodHeader) mh;
        FType ptype = tmh.getType();
        tipo = getTipo(ptype);
    } else {
        tipo = "void";
    }

    metodo.setTipoRetorno(tipo);
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# Patterns

- Patterns for addressing each variation type
  - Patterns can use a single technique or a combination of techniques
  - The same technique can be used by more than one way to address a specific variation type
- Evaluation and comparison of the impact of each pattern on the quality attributes of a SPL
  - Definition evaluation criteria for comparing SPL implementations

# VT I: Variation in Class Attribute

- **Where:** The variation occurs at the **declaration of an attribute**
- **What:** The variation can be the **initialization value** for the attribute (alternative values) or the **existence** of the attribute (optional attributes)

```
public class MainCanvas {  
    public static final int SCREEN_WIDTH = 128;  
    public static final int SCREEN_HEIGHT = 128;  
    [...]  
}
```

```
public class MainCanvas {  
    public static final int SCREEN_WIDTH = 176;  
    public static final int SCREEN_HEIGHT = 220;  
    [...]  
}
```

```
public class Resources {  
    public static final String CHEAT_CODE_FPS = [...];  
    public static final String CHEAT_CODE_FPST = [...];  
    public static final String CHEAT_CODE_UNLOCK_LEVELS = [...];  
    [...]  
}
```

# Patterns for Addressing Variation in Class Attribute

- Attribute Defined by Conditional Compilation
- Attribute Defined by Inter-Type Declaration
- Attribute's Initial Value Defined by Configuration File
- Optional Attribute Defined by Inheritance



# VT2: Variation in Class Hierarchy

- **Where:** Declaration of a class
- **What:** The superclass or the list of extended interfaces
- **Patterns:**
  - Class Hierarchy Defined by Conditional Compilation
  - Class Hierarchy Defined by Inter-Type Declaration

# VT3: Variation in the Whole Body of a Method

- **Where:** In the body of a method
- **What:** The whole body of the method
- Patterns
  - Whole Body of a Method Defined by Conditional Compilation
  - Whole Body of a Method Defined by Inter-Type Declaration
  - Whole Body of a Method Defined by Around Advice
  - ...

# VT4: Variation in the Beginning or End of Method Body

- **Where:** In the beginning or end of a method or constructor body
- **What:** A block of consecutive source code lines
- **Patterns:**
  - Variation in the beginning or End of Method Body Defined by Conditional Compilation
  - Variation in the Beginning or End of Method Body defined by After/Before advice
  - ...

# VT5: Variation in a Structure Around Method Body

- **Where:** The body of a method
- **What:** A conditional or loop structure that surrounds the method body
- **Patterns:**
  - Structure Around Method Body Defined by Conditional Compilation
  - Structure Around Method Body Defined by Around Advice
  - Structure Around Method Body Defined by Inheritance

# Completeness of Variation types and Patterns

- Some variation types have been identified in another domain
  - Evidence that they might be frequent
- Not every variation matches one of our variation types
  - Restrictions to the application of patterns can also arise
    - Refactoring!
- We do not prove that our set of variation types and patterns are complete
  - Our model can be extended to consider new variation types and patterns

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# Decision Models for Implementing SPL Variabilities

- Multi-Paradigm Design, 2000
- Implementing Product Line Variabilities, 2001
- Product Line Implementation Technologies, 2002
- Restructuring test variabilities in Software product lines, 2008
- Analysis of Techniques for Implementing Variabilities in Software Product Lines, 2008