Yin-Yang: Transparent Deep Embedding of DSLs

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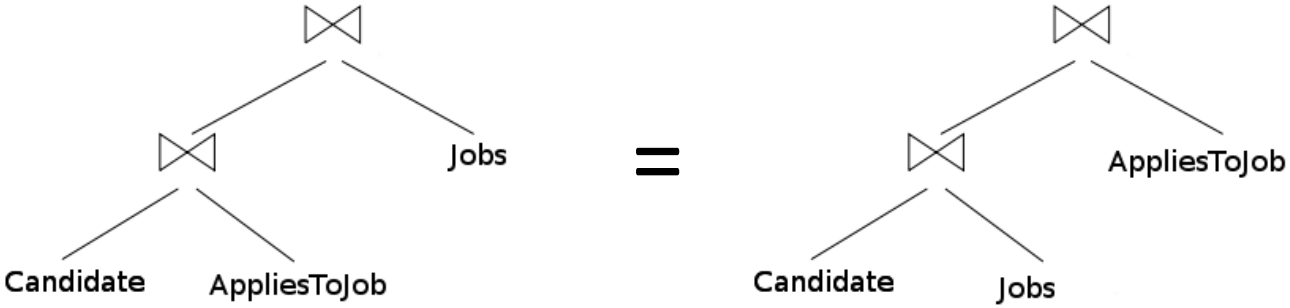
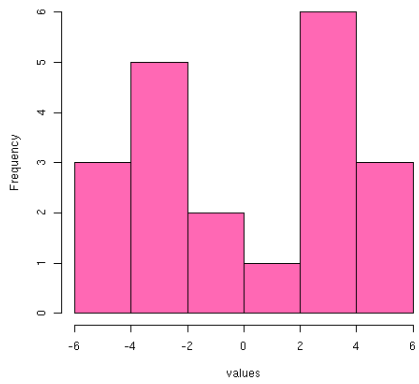
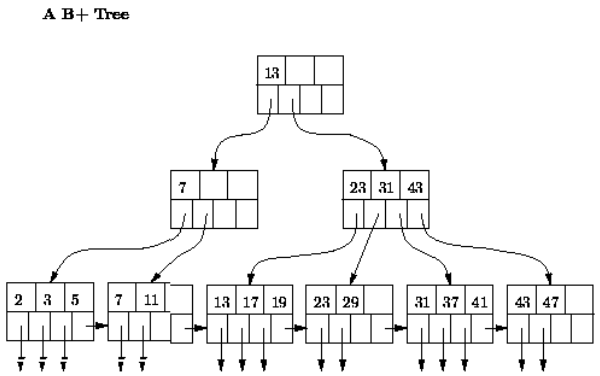
Good Performance: SQL

1. Compiler has domain knowledge

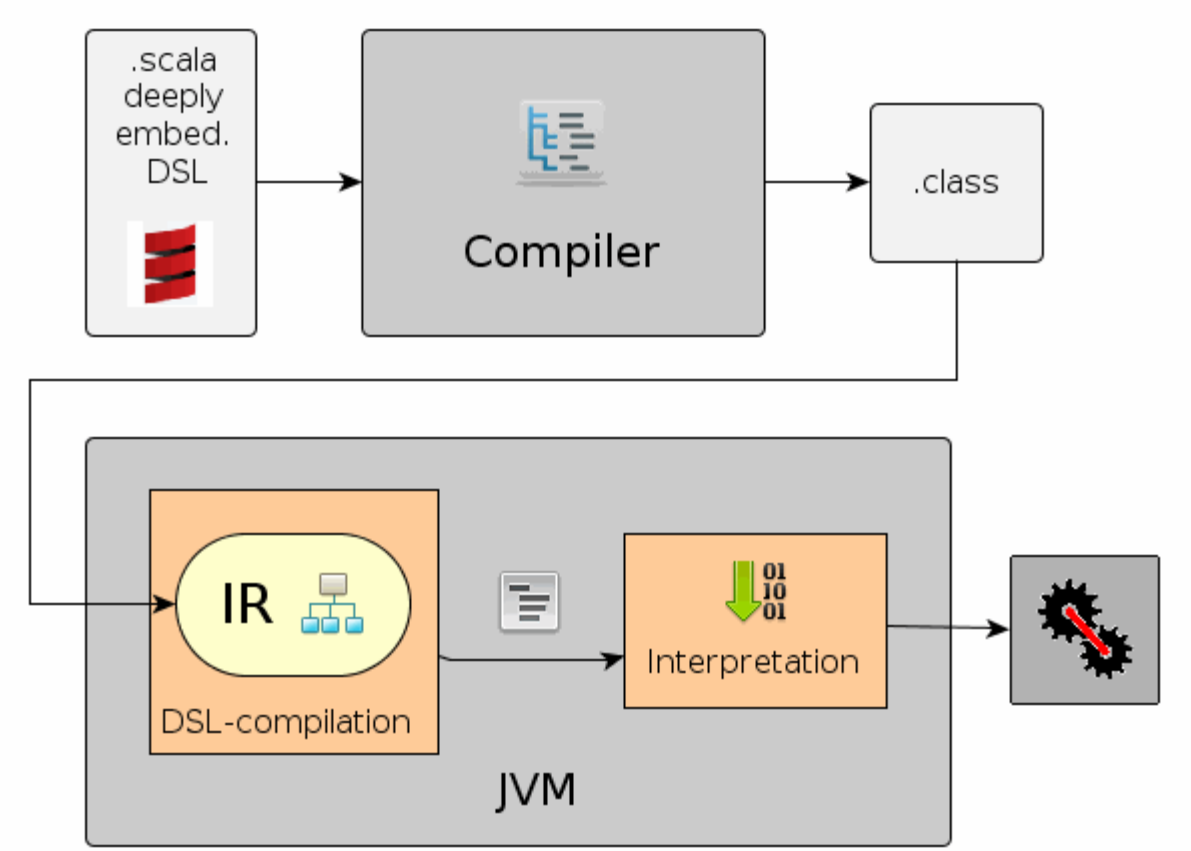


2. Compiled at run-time (access to data)





Deep Embedding



Deep Embedding - LMS

```
trait Base { trait Exp[T]
  type Rep[T] = Exp[T]
  case class Const[T](t: T) extends Exp[T]
  implicit def unit[T](t: T): Rep[T] = Const(t)
}

trait RegexDSL extends Base {
  case class Matches(
    t: Rep[String],
    p: Rep[String]) extends Exp[Boolean]
  object regex {
    def matches(t: Rep[String], p: Rep[String) =
      Matches(t, p)
  }
  def main() =
    regex.matches("42", "Answer to the Ultimate…")
}
```

Program Text is Not All

```
regex.matches("42", "Answer to the Ultimate…")
```

Convoluted Interface

```
def infix_-(lhs: Rep[Float], rh: Rep[Int])
  (implicit o: Overloaded,
   ctx: SourceContext): Rep[Float]
```

```
def infix_-(lhs: Rep[Int], rh: Rep[Int])
  (implicit o: Overloaded,
   ctx: SourceContext): Rep[Int]
```

Type Errors

```
val one: Rep[Int] = 1
val void: Rep[Unit] = ()
one + void
```

No implicit view available from RepDSL.this.Rep[Unit] => Int.

Deep DSL Embedding

- ✗ Nice interface
- ✗ Comprehensible type errors
- ✗ Easy debugging
- ✗ Consistent Documentation
- ✗ Consistent with the host language

- ✓ Domain-specific analysis
- ✓ Fast

Shallow Embedding

```
package object regex {
  def regexDSL[T](b: => T) = b
  def matches(text: String, pat: String): Boolean =
    text.matches(pat)
}
```

Shallow Embedding

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During program development we do not care about performance!

✓ Use shallow embedding for development

✓ Use deep embedding in production

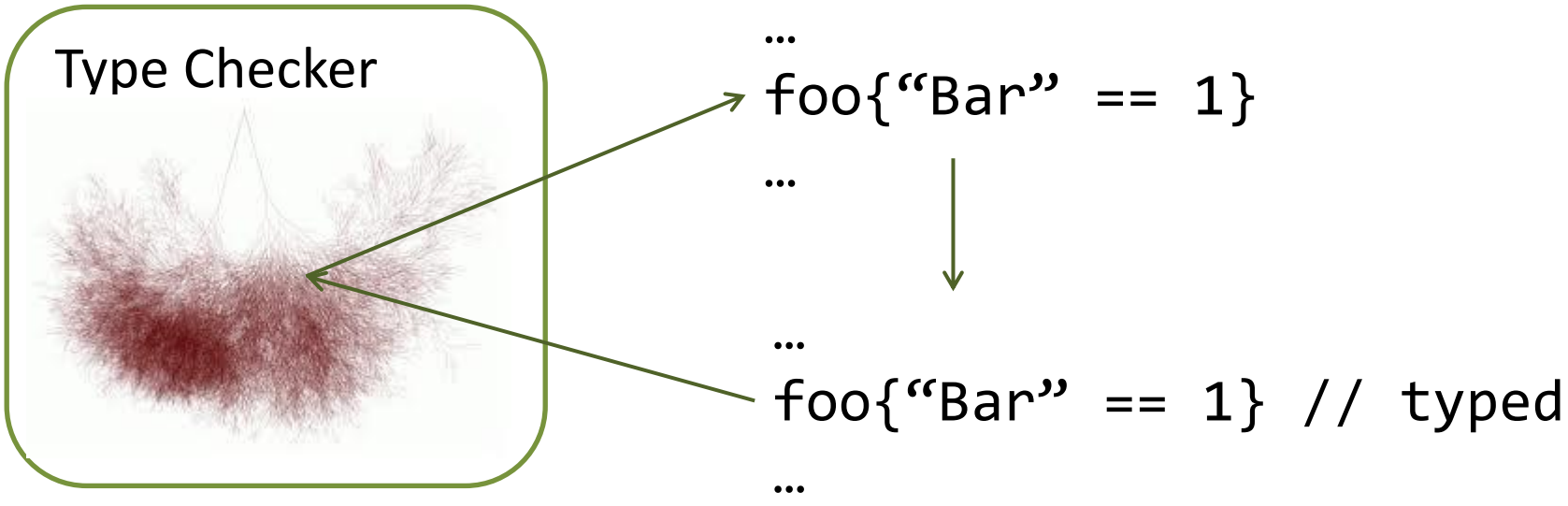
Macros

Compile-time meta-programming

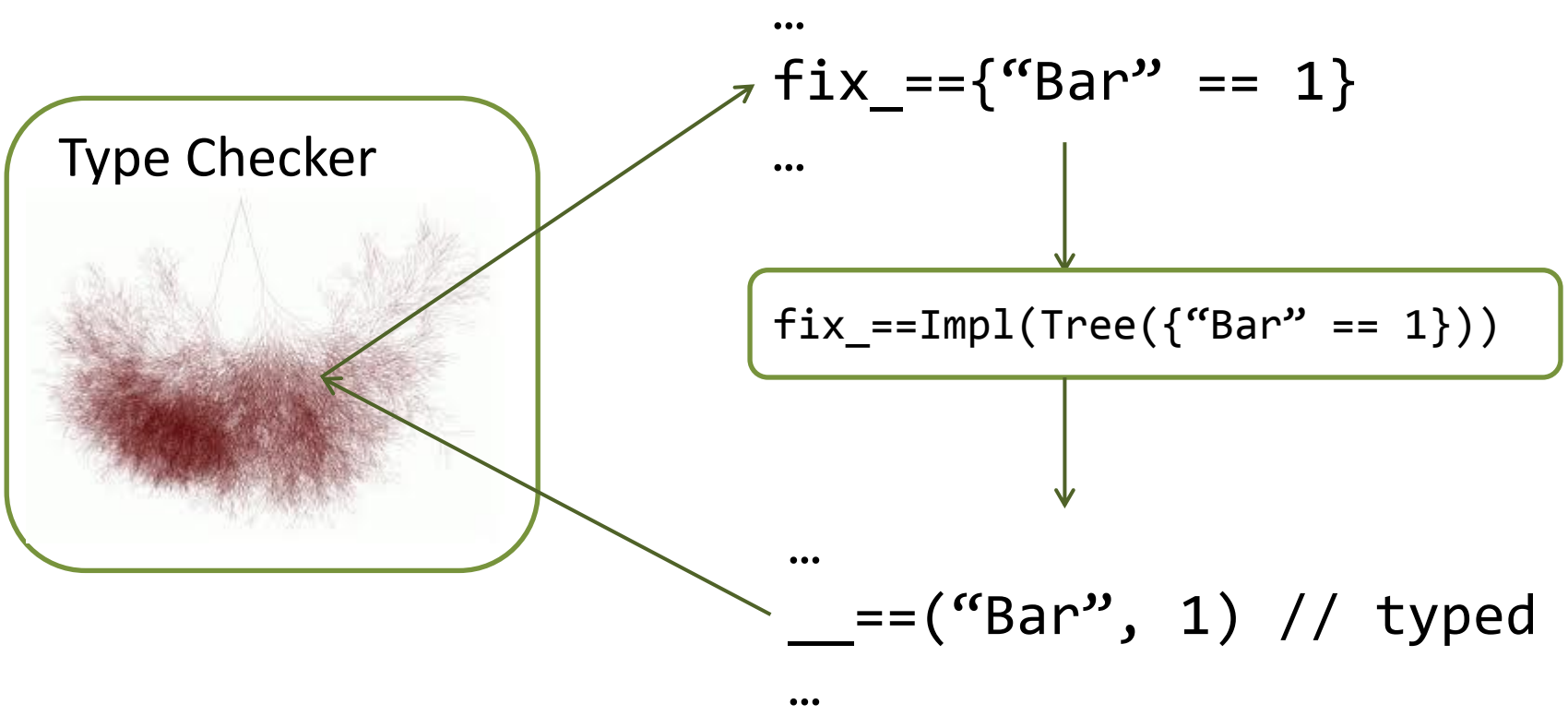
Completely transparent to the users

```
def fix_==[T](block: => T): T =
  macro fix_==Impl
```

Regular Workflow

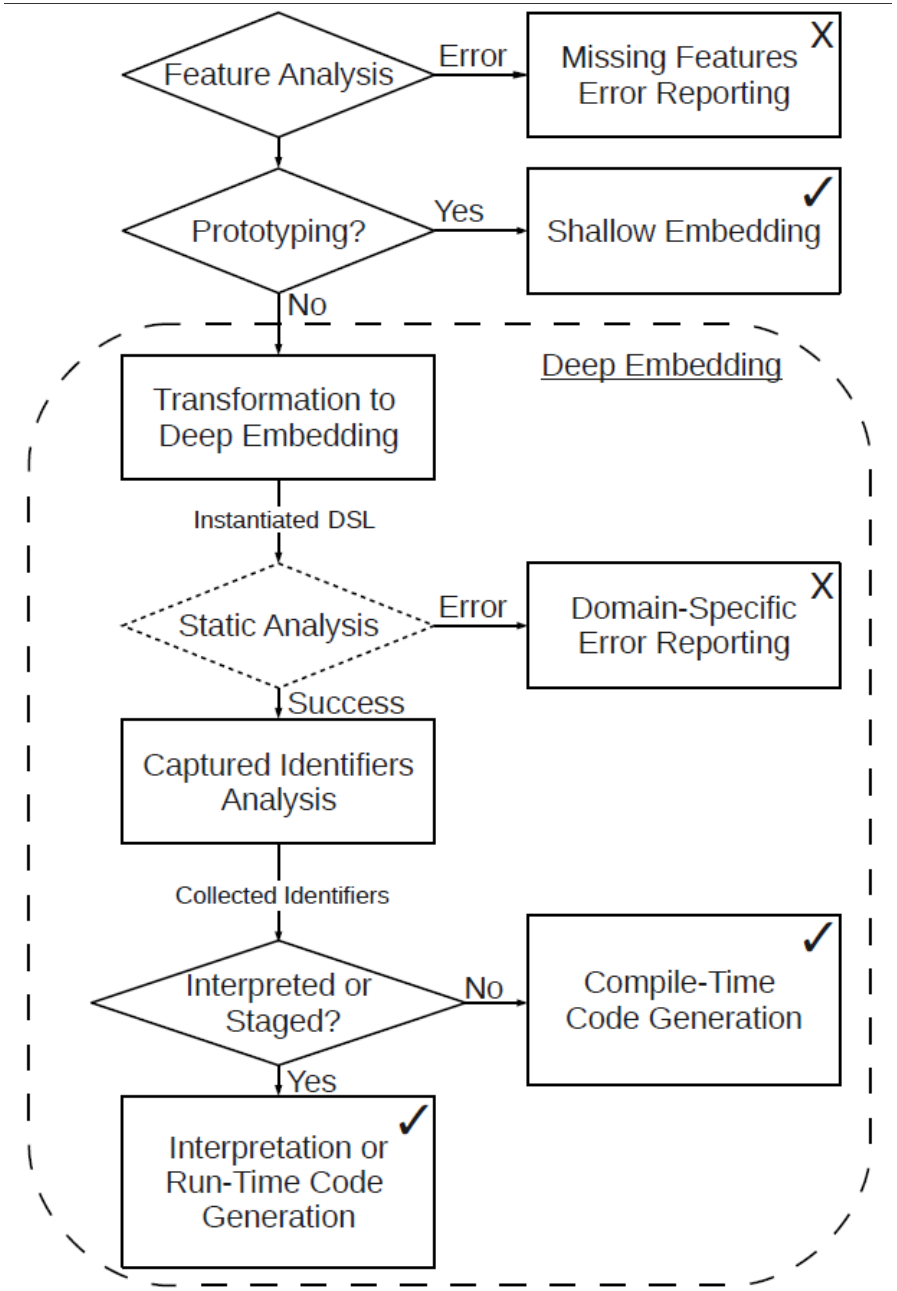


Macro Workflow



Yin-Yang Library

Uses macros to reliably translate shallow programs to deep programs!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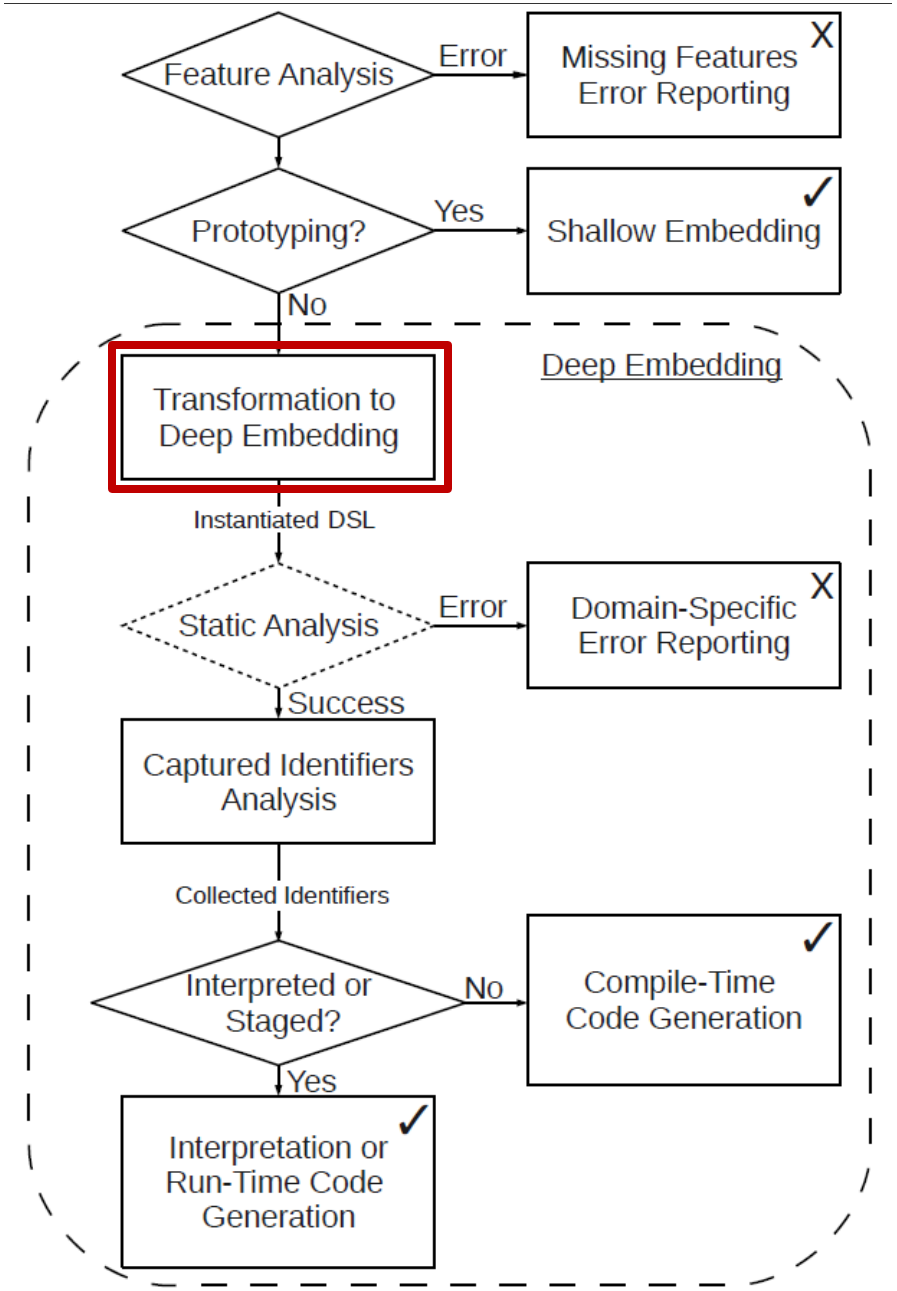
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Shallow Program

```
val readHGTG = ...; val text = "42";
val pattern = "Answer to the Ultimate Q..."
regexDSL {
  val res = if (readHGTG)
    matches(
       text,
       pattern
    )
    else true
  res
}
```

Ascription Transformation

```
val readHGTG = ...; val text = "42";
val pattern = "Answer to the Ultimate Q..."
regexDSL {
  val res: Boolean = ((if (readHGTG)
    (regex.`package`.matches(
       text,
       pattern
    ): Boolean)
    else true): Boolean)
  res
}
```

Lift Literals Transformation

```
val readHGTG = ...; val text = "42";
val pattern = "Answer to the Ultimate Q..."
regexDSL {
  val res: Boolean = ((if (readHGTG)
    (regex.`package`.matches(
       text,
       pattern
    ): Boolean)
  else lift(true)): Boolean)
  res
}
```

Virtualization Transformation

```
val readHGTG = ...; val text = "42";
val pattern = "Answer to the Ultimate Q..."
regexDSL {
  val res: Boolean = ((__ifThenElse(readHGTG,
    (regex.`package`.matches(
       text,
       pattern
    ): Boolean),
    lift(true)): Boolean)
  res
}
```

Scope Injection Transformation

```
val readHGTG = ...; val text = "42";
val pattern = "Answer to the Ultimate Q..."
regexDSL {
  val res: Boolean = ((__ifThenElse(readHGTG,
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  res
}
```

Type Transformation

```
val readHGTG = ...; val text = "42";
val pattern = "Answer to the Ultimate Q..."
regexDSL {
  val res: this.Rep[Boolean] =
  ((__ifThenElse(readHGTG,
    (this.regex.`package`.matches(
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    ): this.Rep[Boolean]),
    lift(true)): this.Rep[Boolean])
  res
}
```

Hole Transformation

```
val readHGTG = ...; val text = "42";
val pattern = "Answer to the Ultimate Q..."
regexDSL {
  val res: this.Rep[Boolean] =
  ((__ifThenElse(hole(typeTag[Boolean],1)
    (this.regex.`package`.matches(
       hole(typeTag[String], 2),
       hole(typeTag[String], 3)
    ): this.Rep[Boolean]),
    lift(true)): this.Rep[Boolean])
res
}
```

Cake Insertion

```
val readHGTG = ...; val text = "42";
val pattern = "Answer to the Ultimate Q..."
new RegexDSL { def main() {
  val res: this.Rep[Boolean] =
  ((__ifThenElse(hole(typeTag[Boolean],1)
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}}
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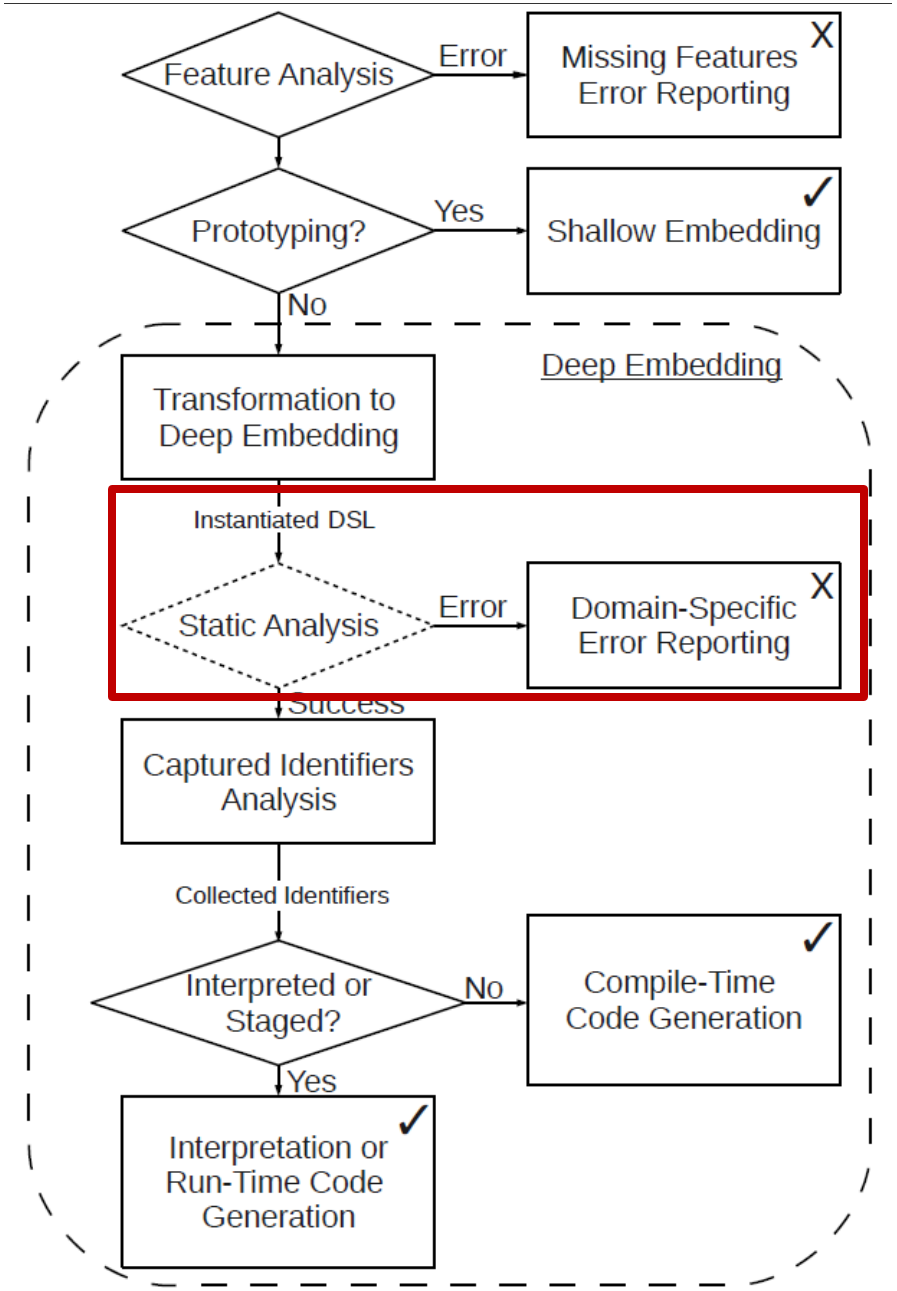
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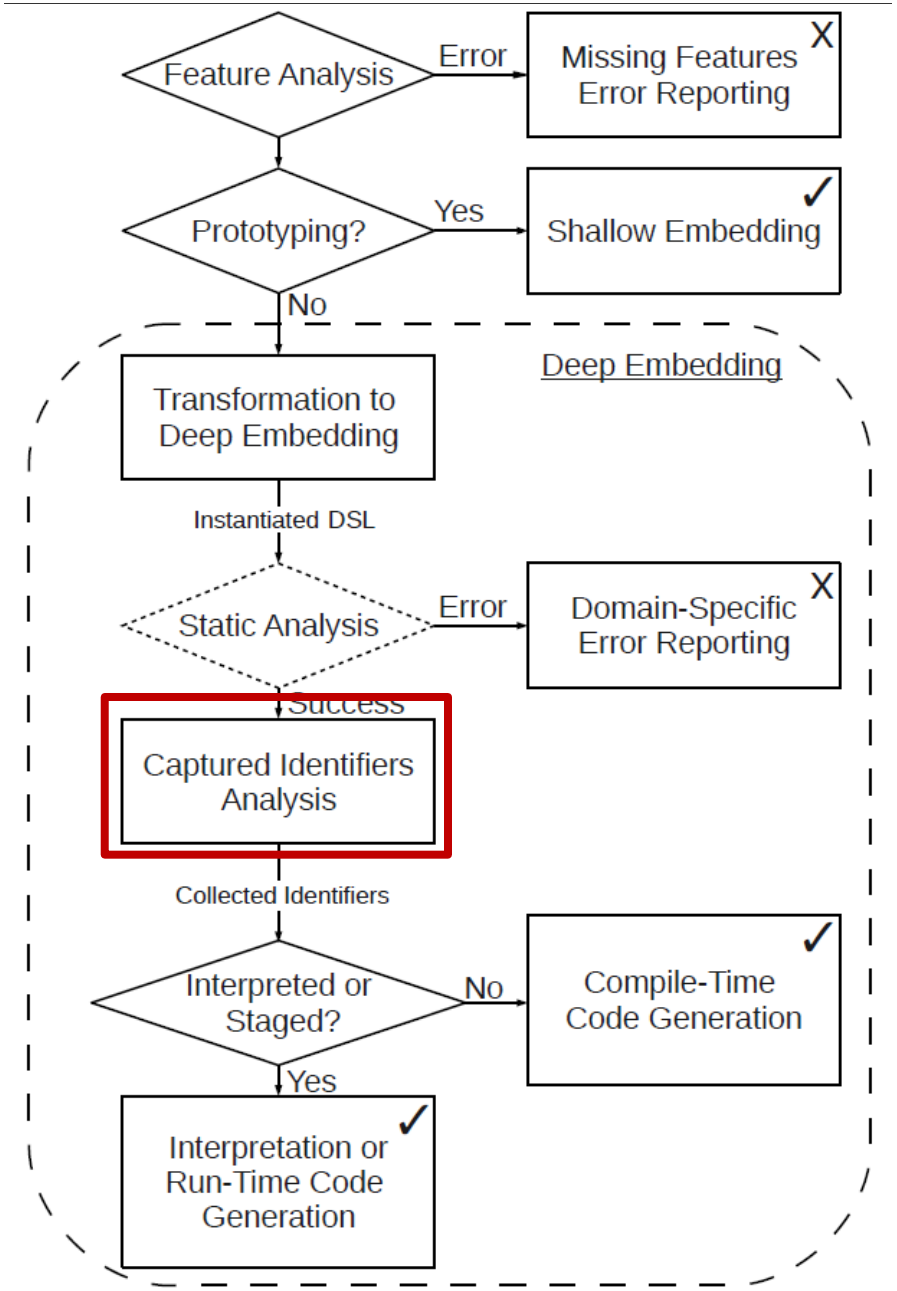
Reflective Instantiation

```
val dsl =
  c.eval(new RegexDSL {def main()={…}}
```

Domain-Specific Analysis

```
dsl.staticallyAnalyze(c)
```

Reports errors at compile time!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Captured Identifiers Analysis

```
val requiredIdents =
  dsl.stagingAnalysis()
```

if (*requiredIdents* != *Nil*)

```
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val pattern = "Answer to the Ultimate Q..."
new RegexDSL { def main() {
  val res: this.Rep[Boolean] =
  ((__ifThenElse(hole(typeTag[Boolean],1)
    (this.regex.`package`.matches(
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    ): this.Rep[Boolean]),
    lift(true)): this.Rep[Boolean])
res
}}
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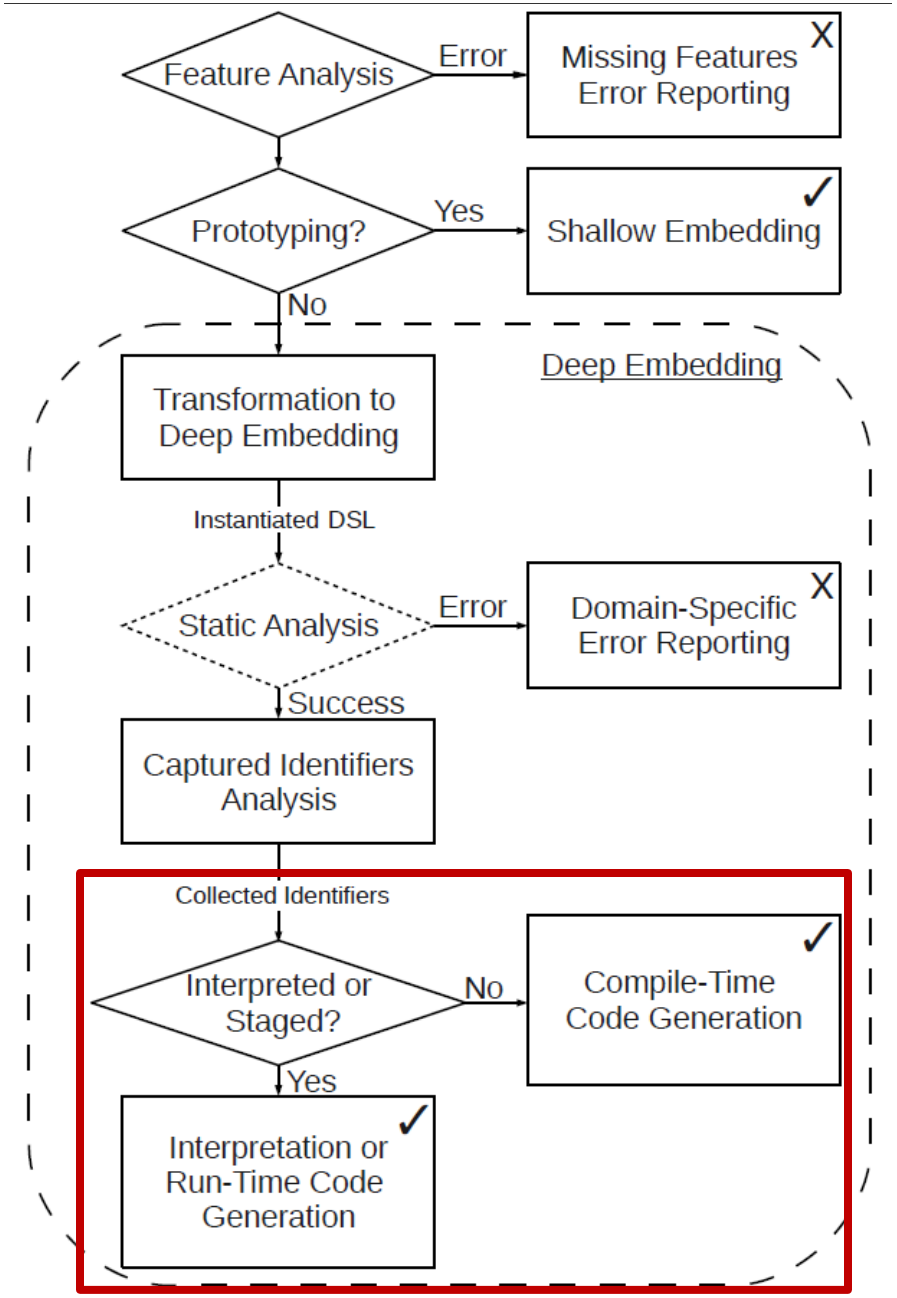
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Compile vs. Runtime

```
if (requiredIdents == Nil)
  // compile at compile time
  c.parse(dsl.gnerateCode())
else
  // compile at run time
  c.expr(Block(
    guards,
    dslCake,
    dslInvocation
  )
```

Deep DLSs: Idents vs. Constants

- Deep embedding does not distinguish constants and identifiers

- To check for recompilation it needs to lift the whole program on each execution

Guards with Deep DSLS

```
val s = text.map(incChar)
  if (matches(s, pattern))
    println("OK")
```

How long does the lifting take?

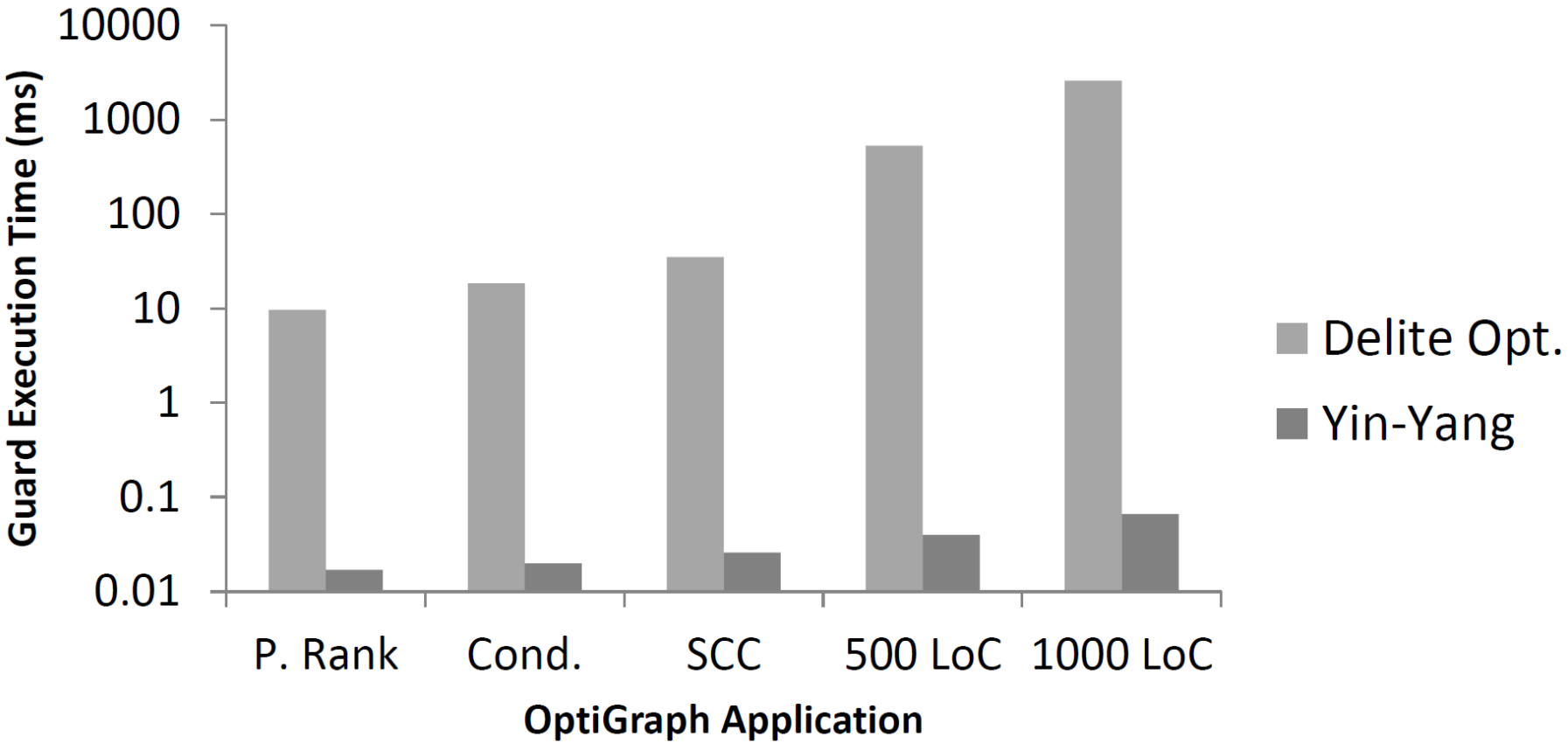
Shallow program processes 100 KB string for the time of one lifting!

Guarded Recompilation

```
if (pattern != Cache.prevValue(<uid>))
  Cache.setProgram(<uid>)(
   new RegexDSL{def main()={…}}
  )


Cache.program(<uid>)(cond, text)
```

Evaluation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1000
100
10
1
0.1
0.01
Guard Execution Time (ms)
P. Rank
Cond.
SCC
500 LoC
1000 LoC
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Contributions

- Completely transparent deep embedding
- Completely compiler agnostic
- Compilation at either compile or run time
- Efficient guarded recompilation

Slick DSL with Macors

- Macro version took months to develop
- Duplicate of the deep embedding
- Does not work for all cases

Macro Version of Slick

- Requires same things as Yin-Yang
  - Hole Transformation
  - Virtualization
  - Compile-time evaluation

- These transformation are non-trivial

Slick with Yin-Yang

- Three weeks development
- Wires to the existing DSL (no duplication)
- More features that the macro version

Future Work

- Class virtualization
- Cross compilation unit operation
- Yin-Yang as a modular library for DSLs

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Questions?

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