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```
public class Flatten {
  public static IntList flatten(TreeList list) {
    TreeList cur = list;
    IntList result = \mathbf{null};
    while (cur != null) {
      Tree tree = cur.value;
      if (tree != null) {
        IntList oldIntList = result;
        result = new IntList();
        result.value = tree.value;
        result.next = oldIntList;
        TreeList oldCur = cur;
        cur = new TreeList();
        cur.value = tree.left;
        cur.next = oldCur;
        oldCur.value = tree.right;
        else cur = cur.next;
```

```
final class List {
  List n;
  public void appE(int i) {
    if (n == null) {
        if (i <= 0) return;
        n = new List();
        i--;
     }
     n.appE(i);
}}</pre>
```

```
public class Loop {
  public static void main(String[] a){
    int i = 0;
    int j = a.length;
    while (i < j) {
        i += a[i].length(); }}</pre>
```

```
void iterate() {
  L3 x = this.n;
  while (x != this)
    x = x.n; }}
```

while i > 0 do i = i - 1 x = x + idone while x > 0 do x = x - 1done

System.out.println("Hello World!")

Learning proofs from data

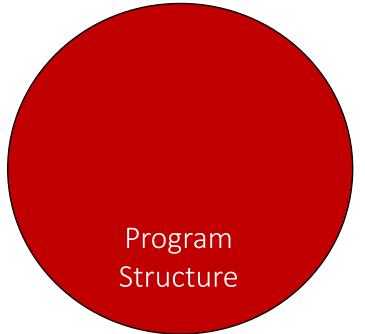
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procedure insertion sort(lst: Node)
 requires lseg(lst, null) * lst != null
{
 var prv := null;
 var srt := lst;
 while (srt != null) {
   var curr := srt.next;
   var min := srt;
   while (curr != null) {
      if (curr.data < min.data)
       min := curr;
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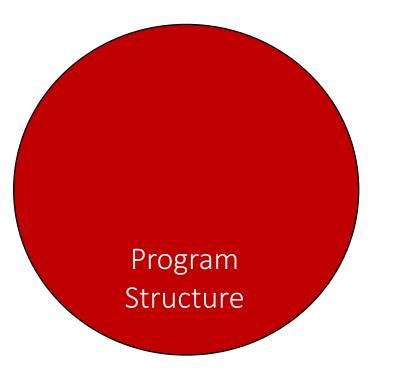
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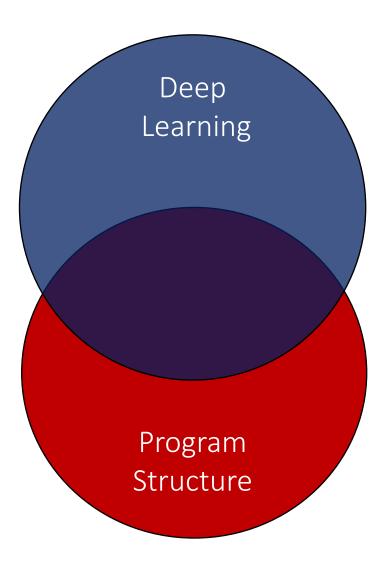
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procedure insertion_sort(lst: Node)
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  ensures lseg(lst, null) * lst != null
```

```
var prv := null;
var srt := lst;
while (srt != null) {
  invariant (prv == null * srt == 1st
             * lseq(lst, null))
         || (lseq(lst, prv) * prv.next = srt
             * lseq(srt, null))
  var curr := srt.next;
  var min := srt;
  while (curr != null) {
     invariant lseg(srt, min)
             * lseq(min, curr)
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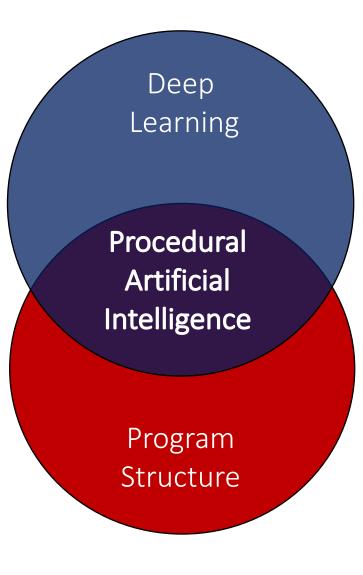


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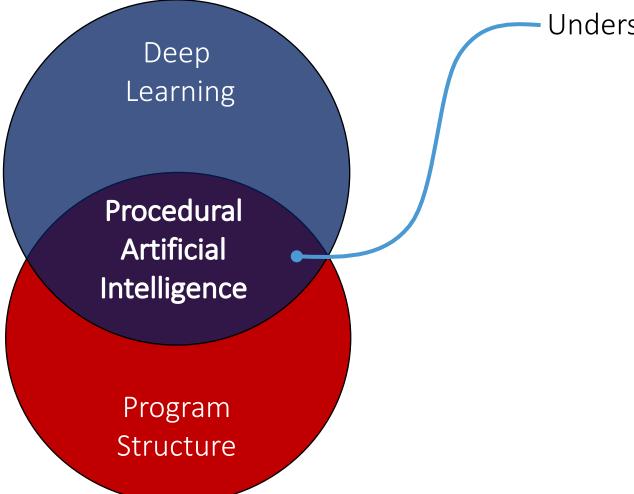
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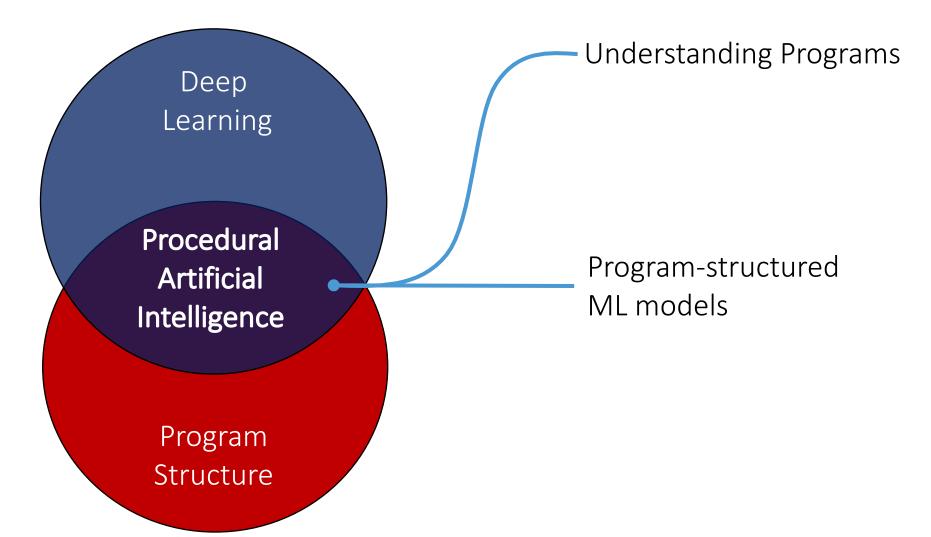


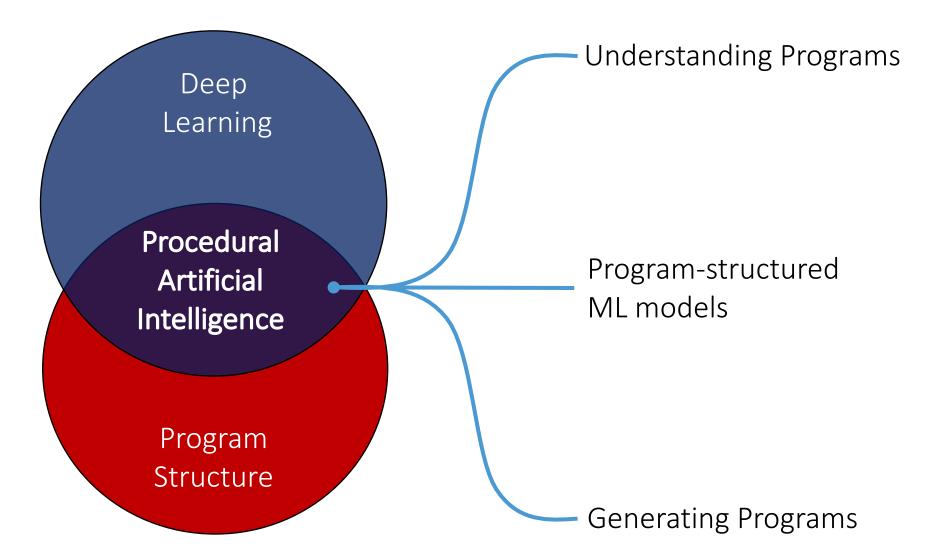
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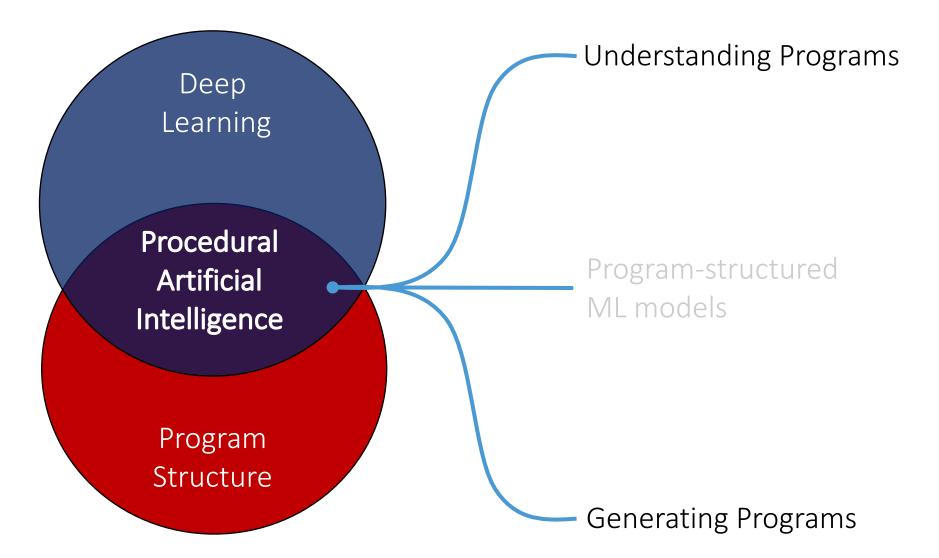
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- Understanding Programs







The Big Picture

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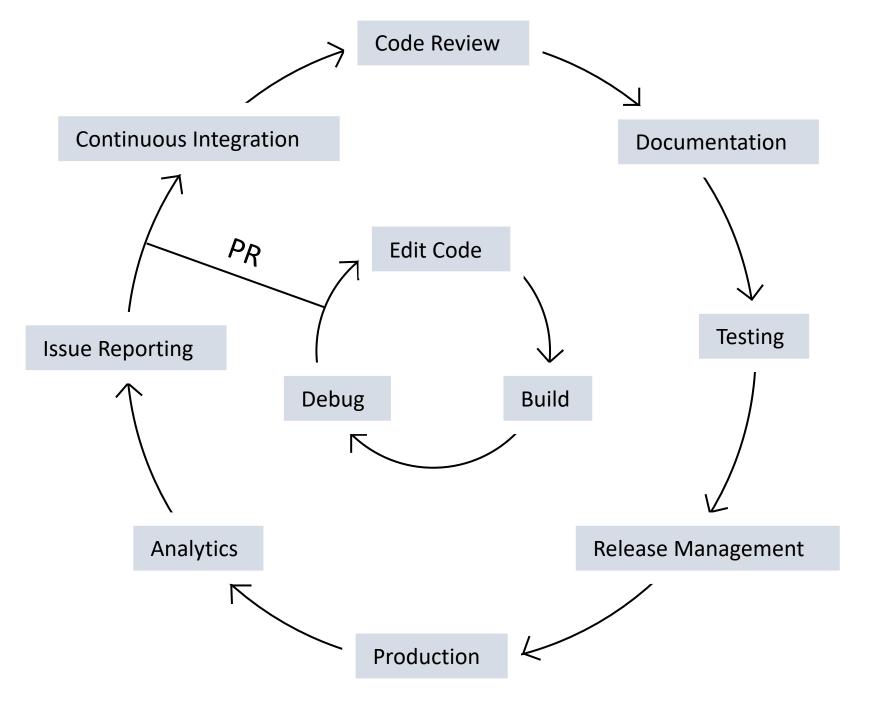


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Code Patterns Natural Language

Development Histories



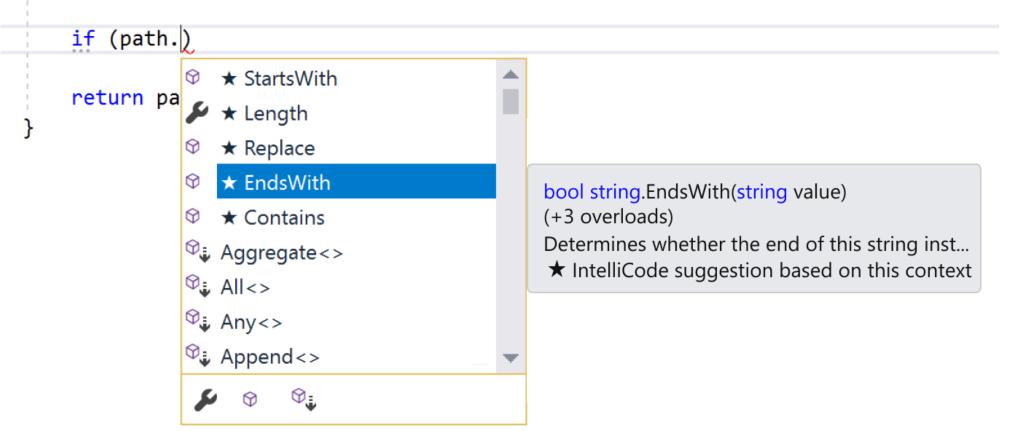


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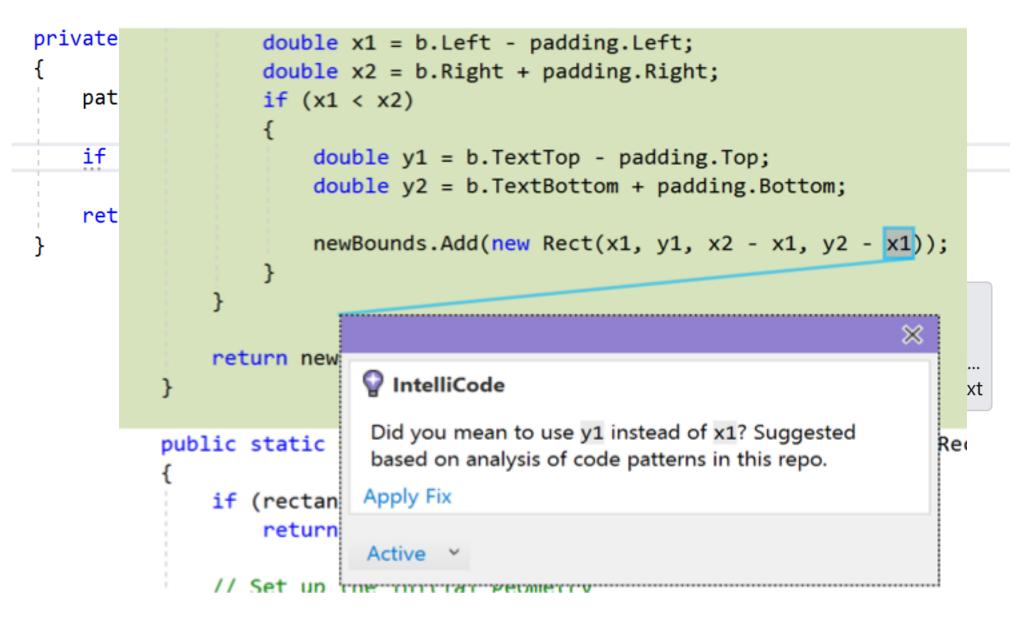
```
private static string NormalizePath(string path)
```

```
path = path.Replace('\\', '/');
```

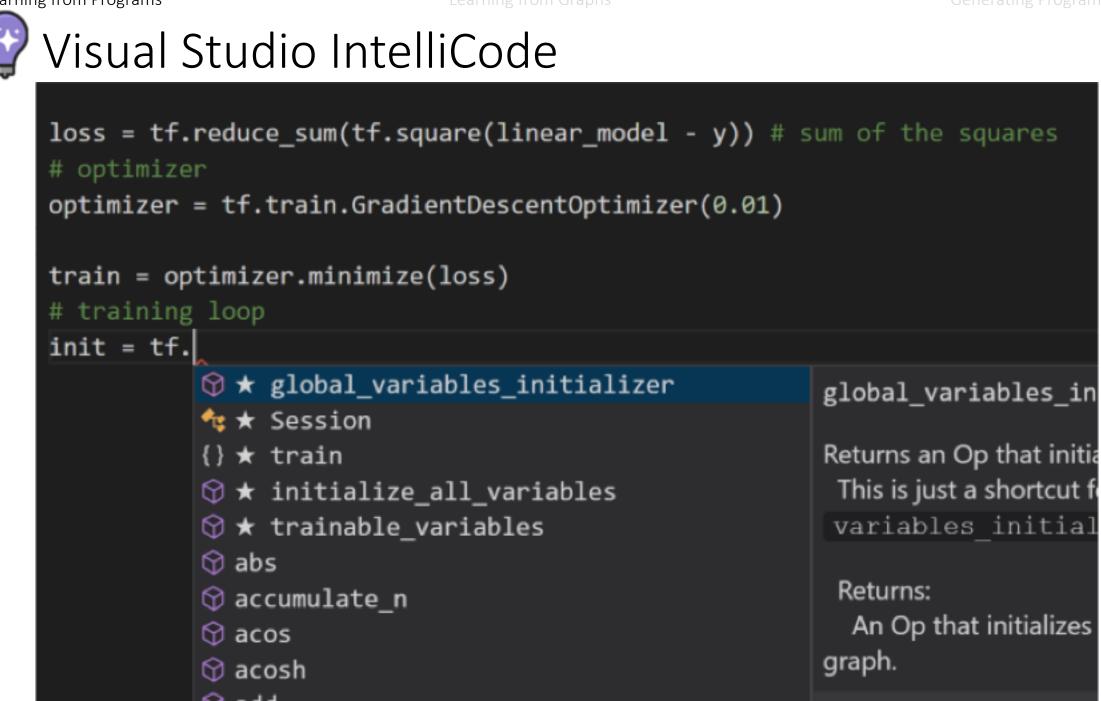


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Visual Studio IntelliCode

```
.editorconfig* 🕂 🗙
         #Core editorconfig formatting - indentation
     6
     7
         #use soft tabs (spaces) for indentation
     8
         indent_style = space
     9
    10
    11
         #Formatting - indentation options
    12
         #indent switch case contents.
    13
         csharp indent case contents = true
    14
         #indent switch labels
    15
         csharp_indent_switch_labels = true
    16
    17
    18
         #Formatting - new line options
    19
    20
         #place catch statements on a new line
         csharp new line before catch = true
    21
         #place else statements on a new line
    22
         csharp new line before else = true
    23
         #require finally statements to be on a new line after the closing brace
    24
    25
         csharp new line before finally = true
         #require braces to be on a new line for methods, types, lambdas, accessors, properties, object_collection, a
    26
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    27
    28
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Understanding Programs

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```

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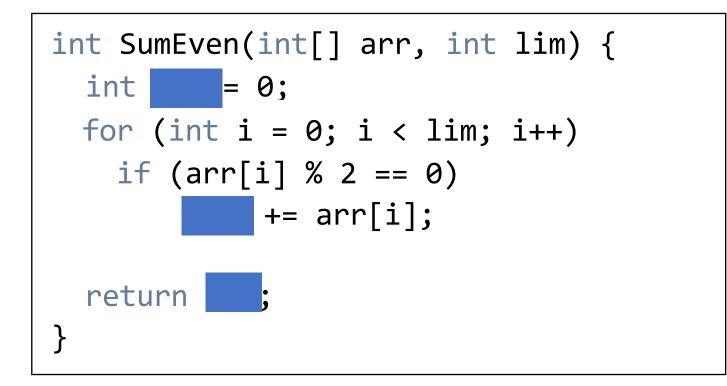
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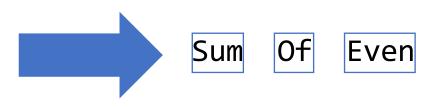
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Not easy to catch with static analysis tools.

Task: Suggesting Good Variable Names





Analysing Code: PL View

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Approach 1: Proving Software Correct

- Needs Specifications
- Limited Domains
- Limited Size

Approach 2: Finding Software Bugs

- Manual Error Pattern Definitions
- Hard to Configure

Analysing Code: ML View

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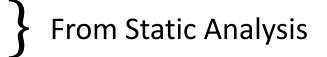
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Programs as Graphs: Syntax

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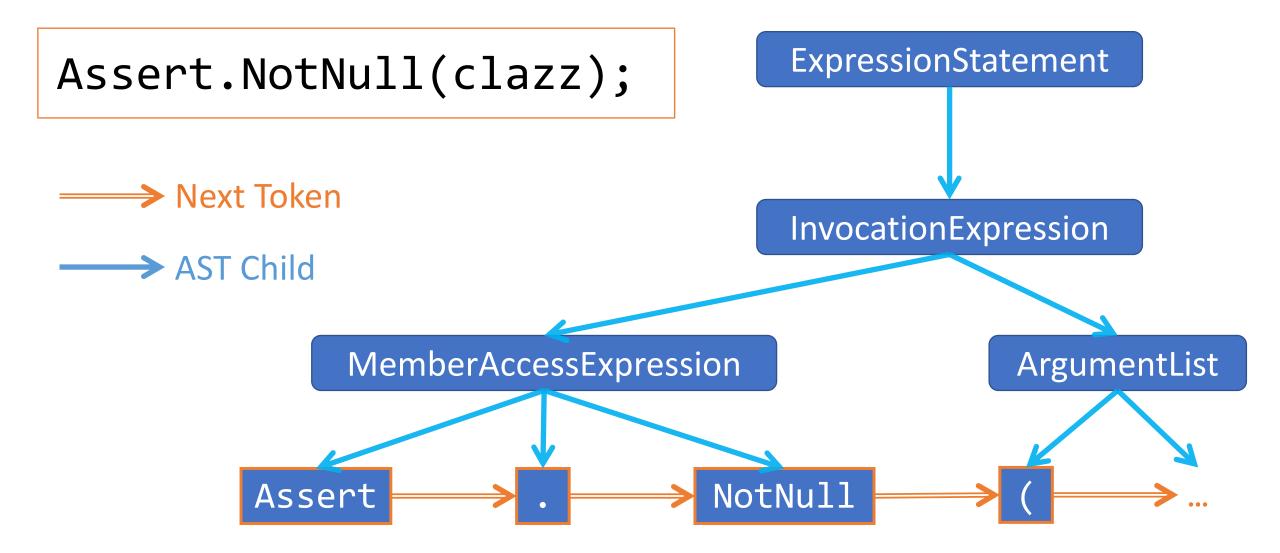
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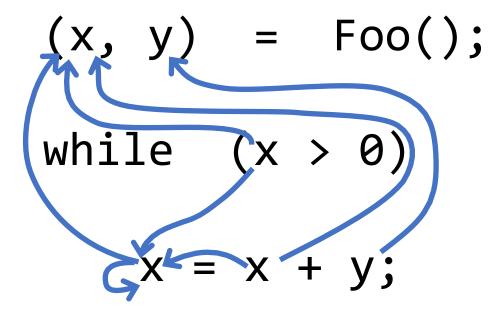
→ Next Token



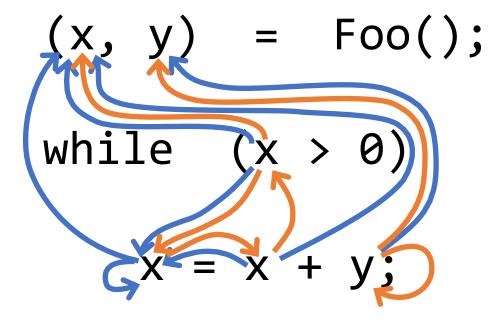
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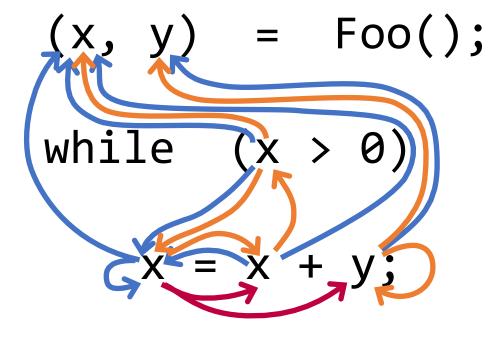














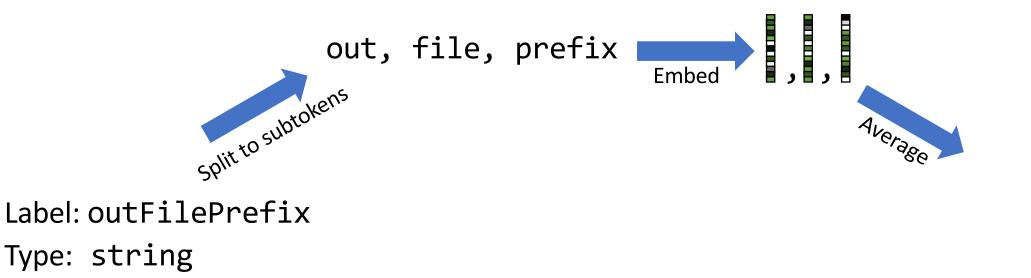


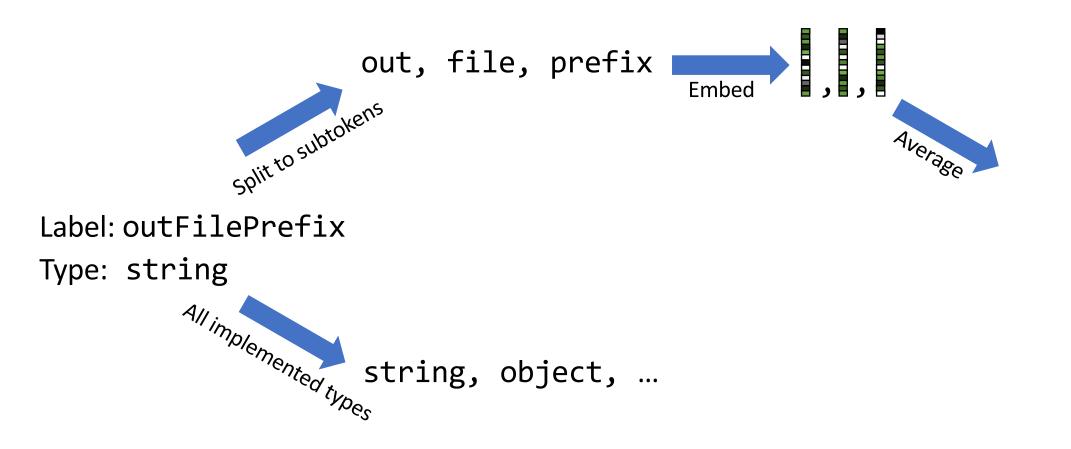


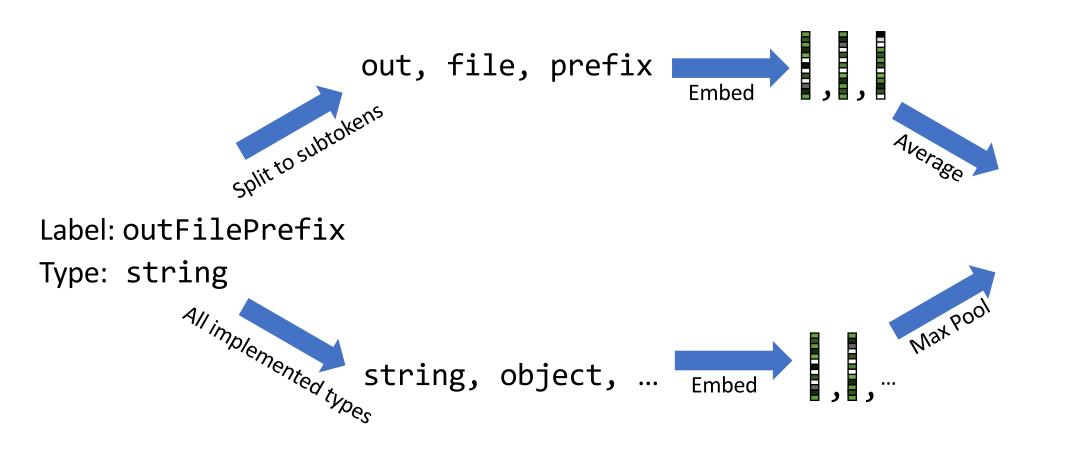
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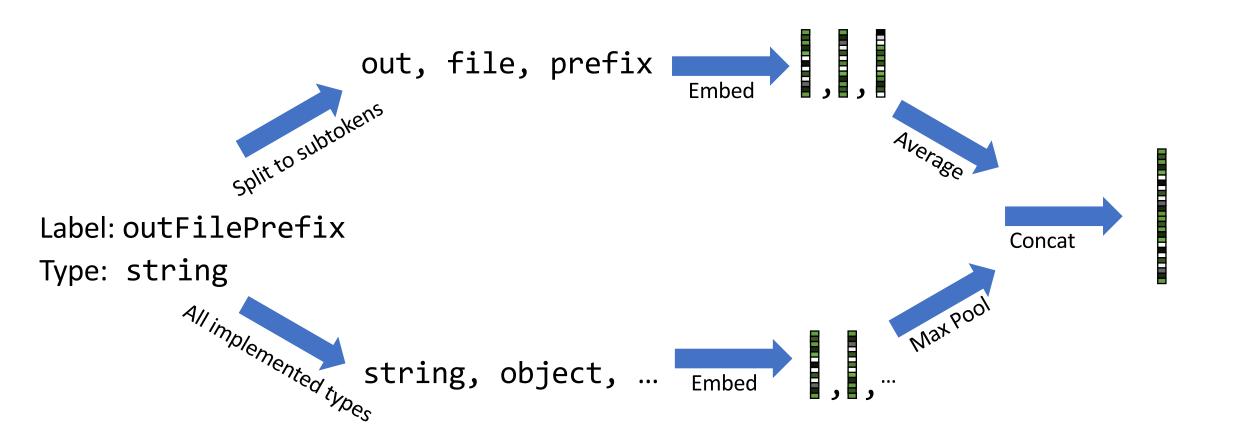


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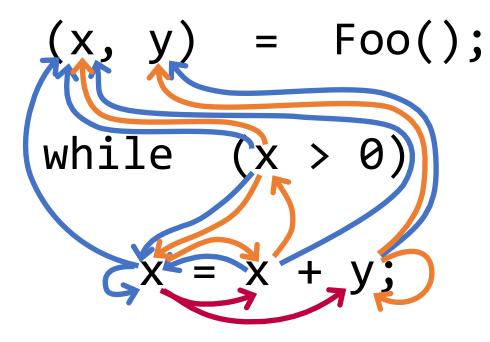




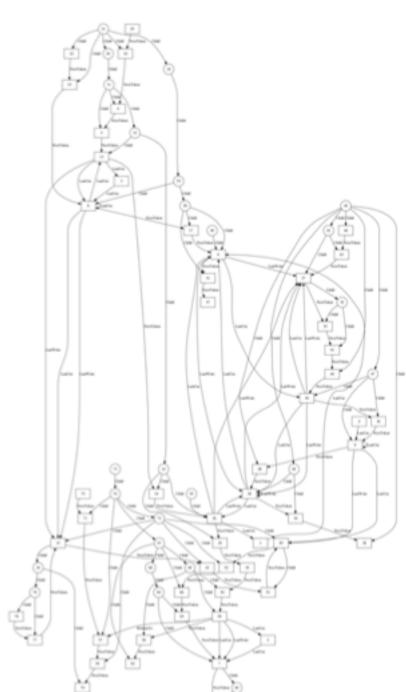




Programs as Graphs



In practice: ~3000 nodes/graph, ~10000 edges/graph

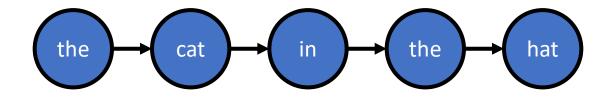


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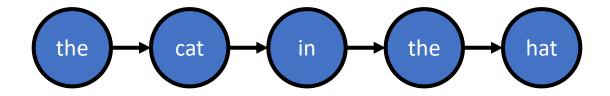
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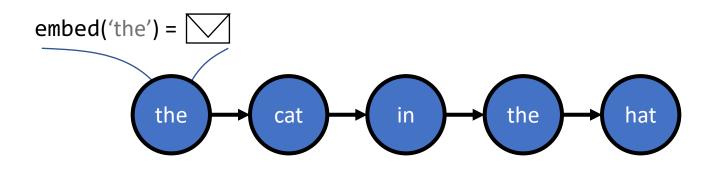




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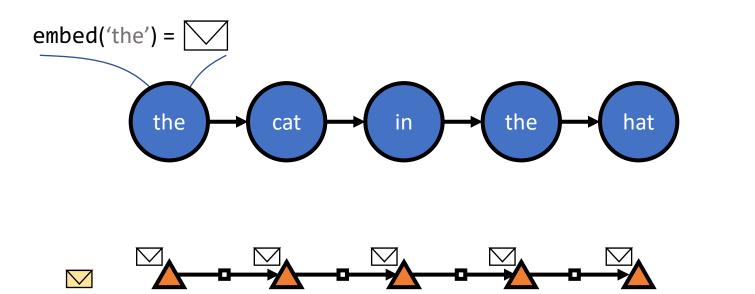




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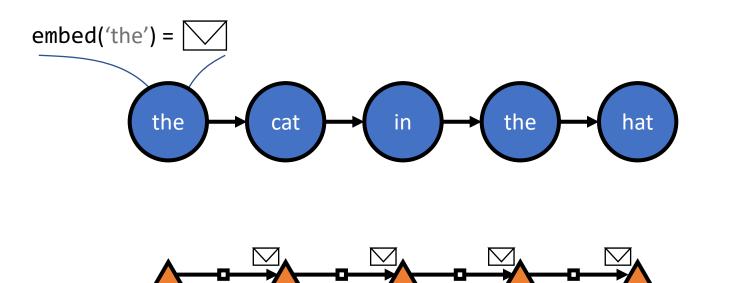


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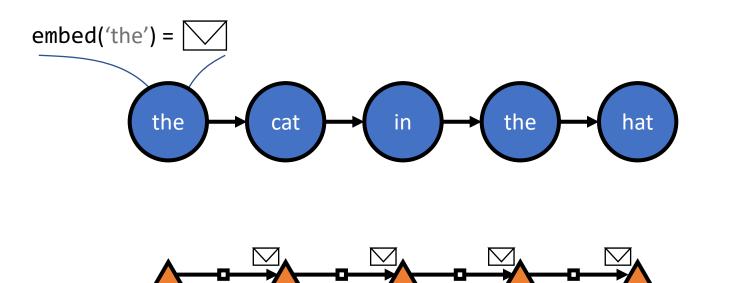


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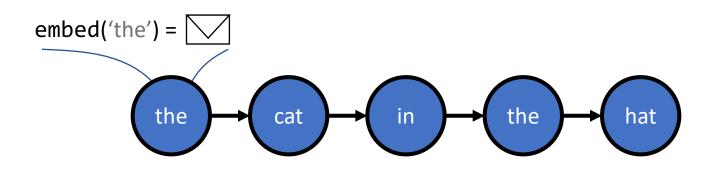


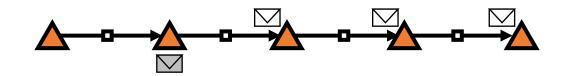


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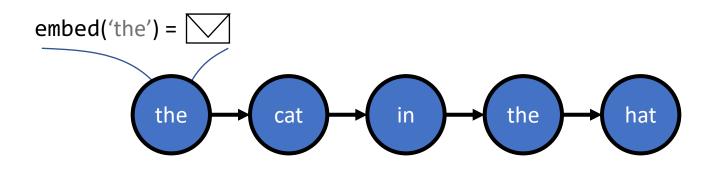


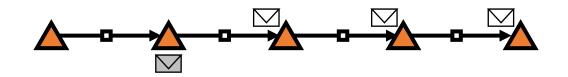


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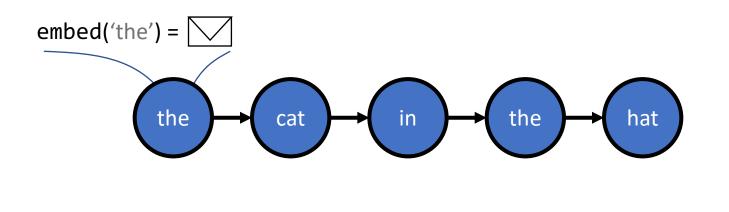


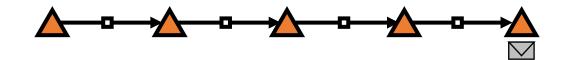


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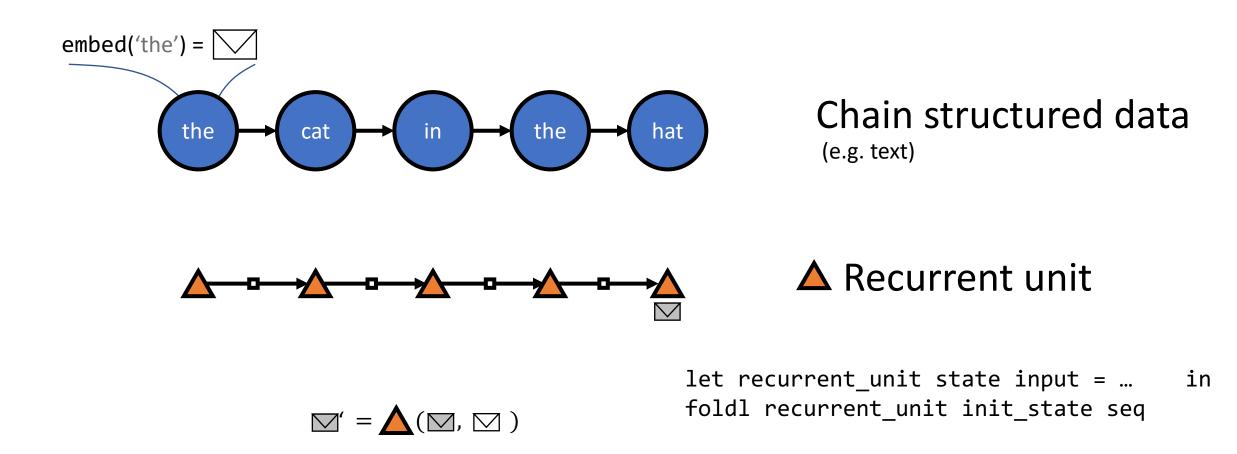




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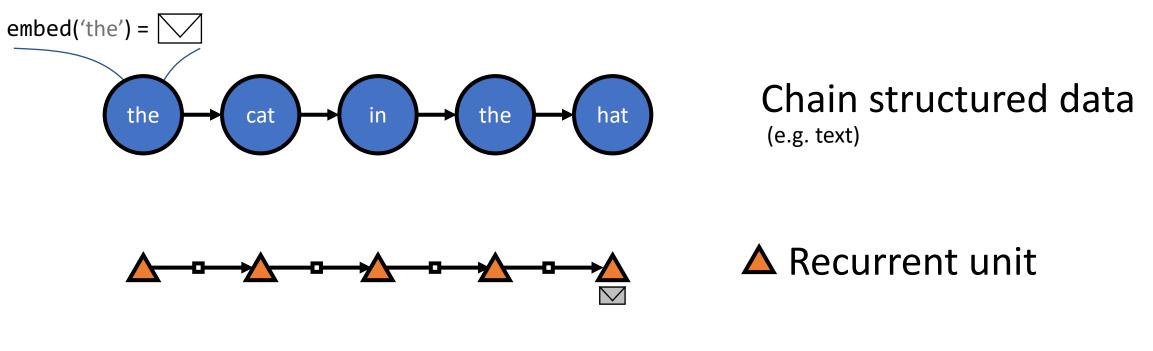
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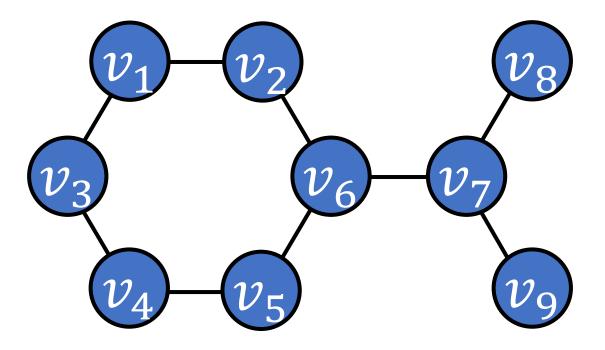


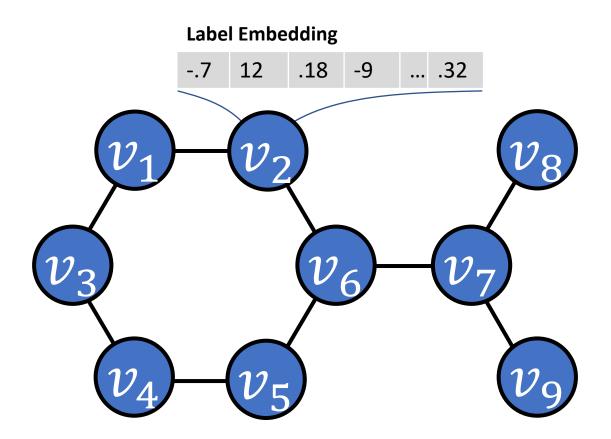
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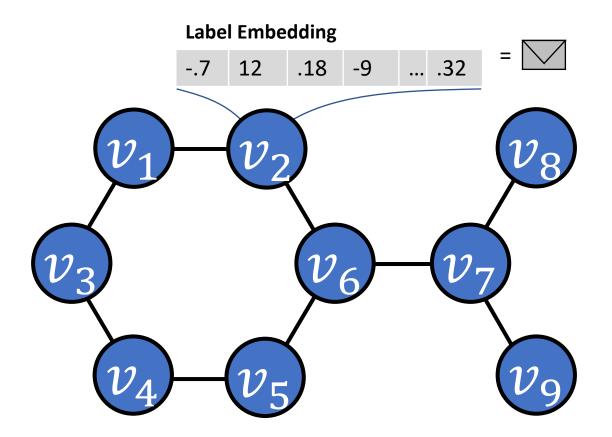


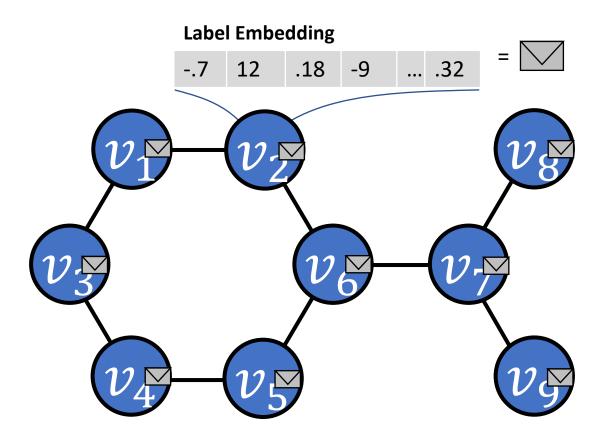
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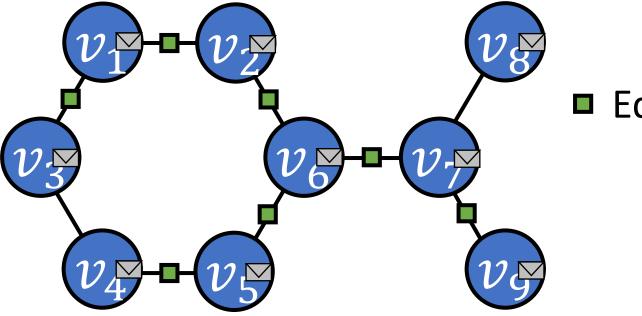




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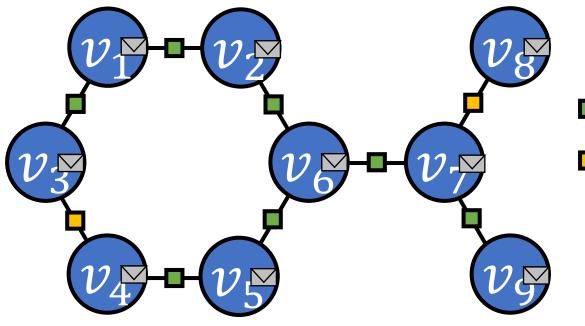


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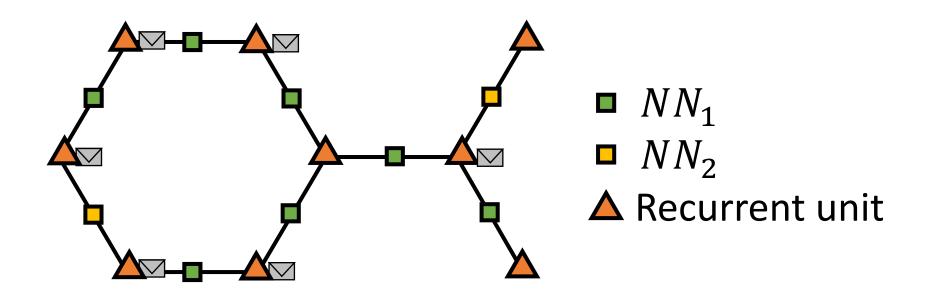
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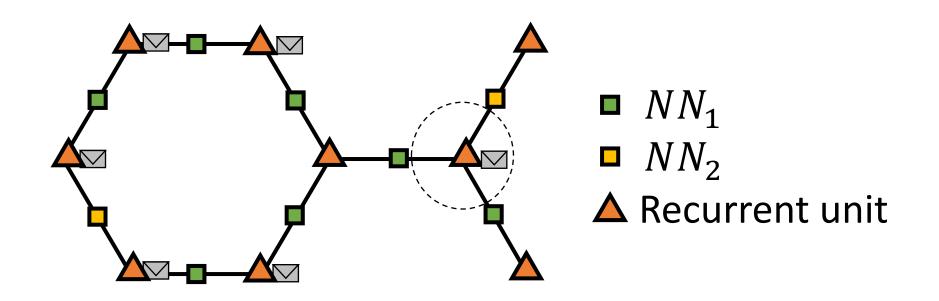
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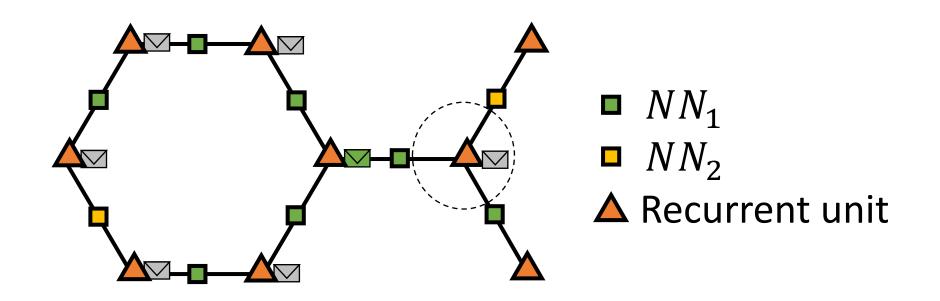
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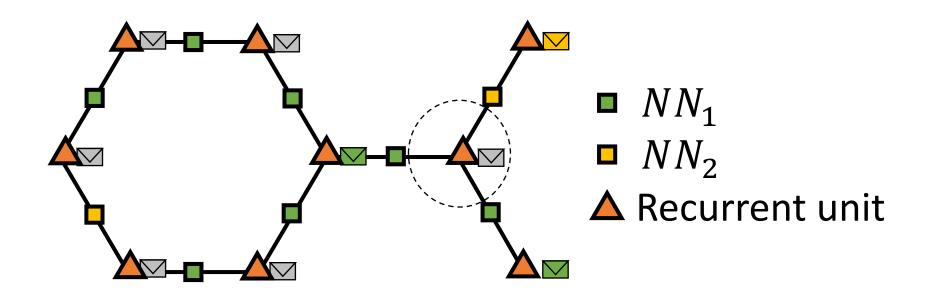


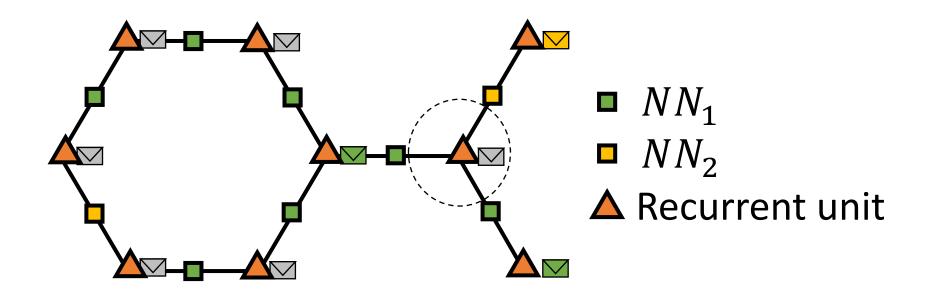
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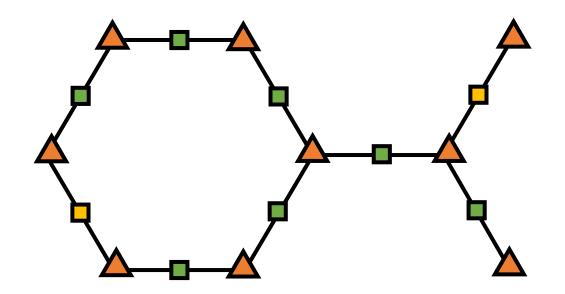




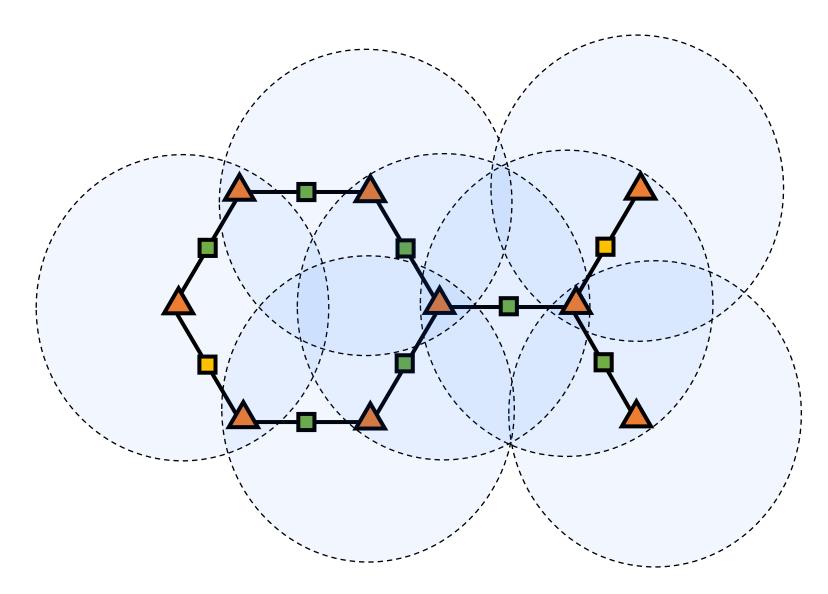




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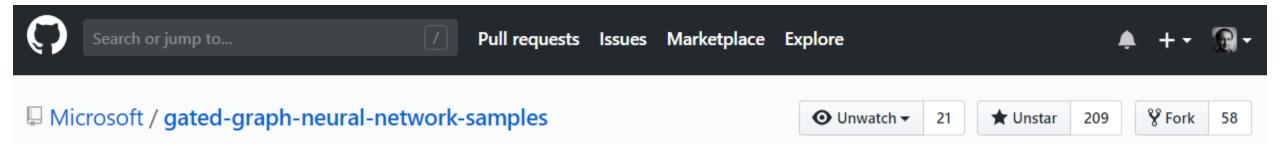
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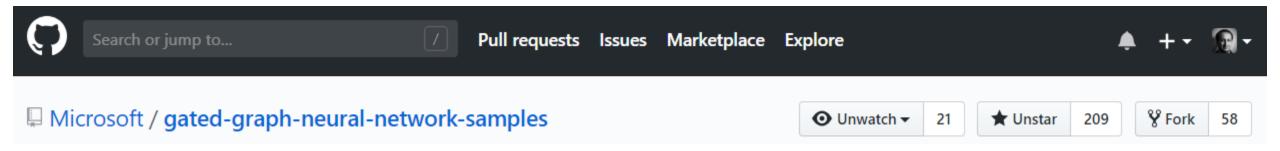
Graph Neural Networks: Uses

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Graph Neural Networks: Implementation



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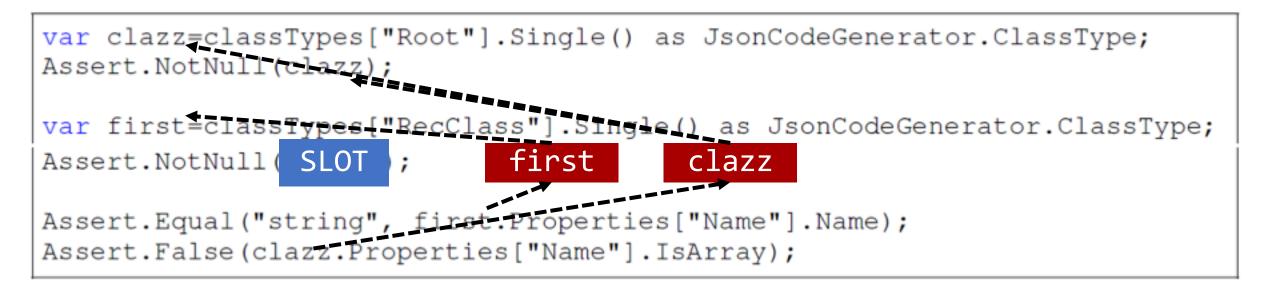
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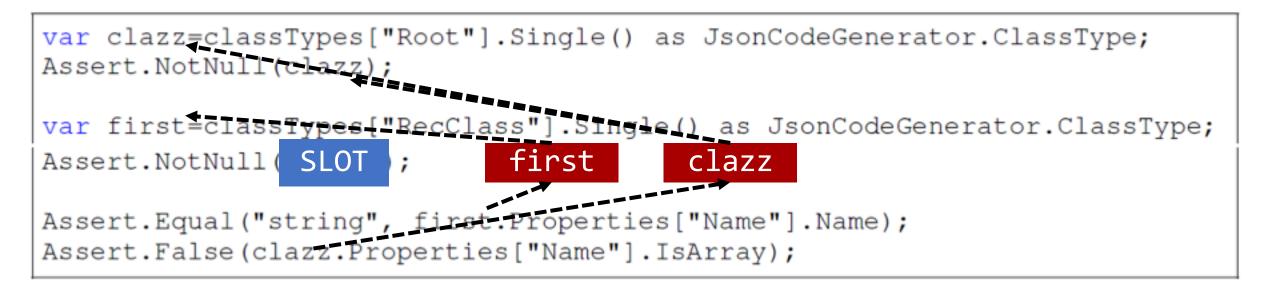
On Titan X:	250 000 nodes/s (80 graphs/s)
On V100:	750 000 nodes/s (250 graphs/s)

Test Performance:

On Titan X:	660 000 nodes/s (220 graphs/s)
On V100:	1 350 000 nodes/s (450 graphs/s)

```
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Objective: Given representation of SLOT, choose between "first" and "clazz"

Variable Naming: Quantitative Results

F1 (%)	Sequence	Seq.+Dataflow	Graph
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Unseen Projects	30.6	32.0	62.0

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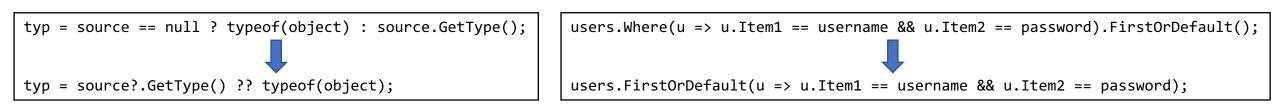
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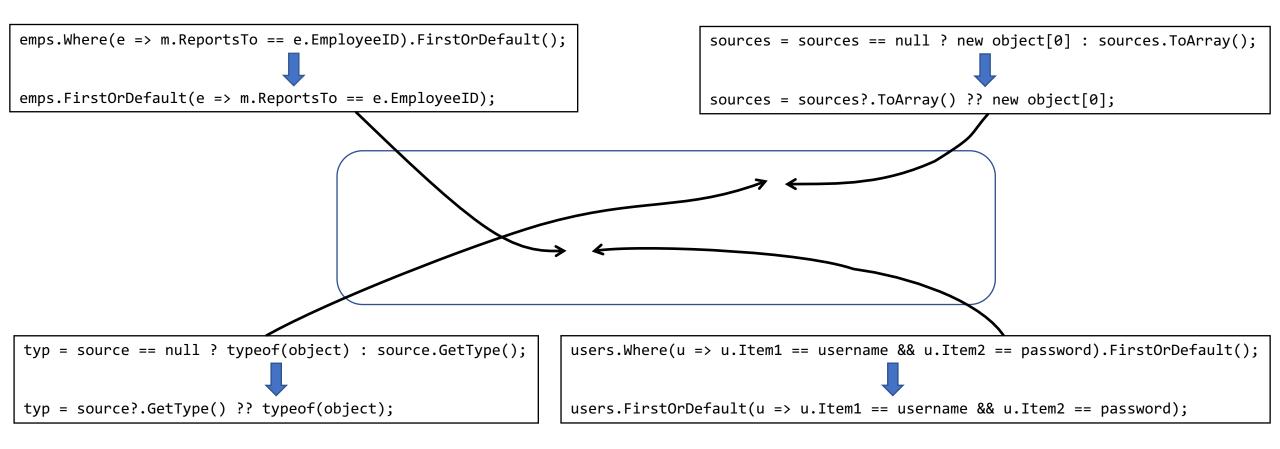
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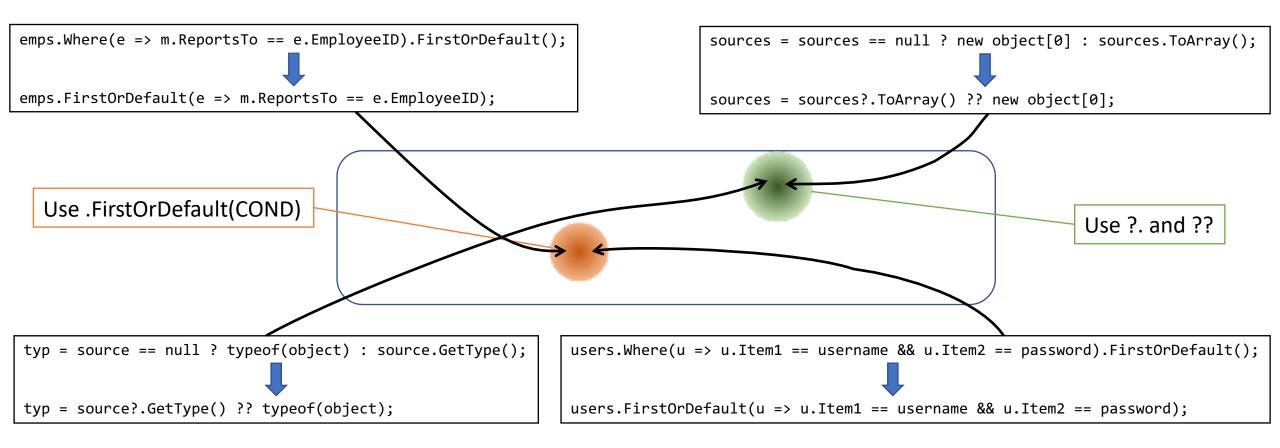
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Insight: GNNs successful at learning with code semantics

Outcomes:

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- Found number of bugs in mature code

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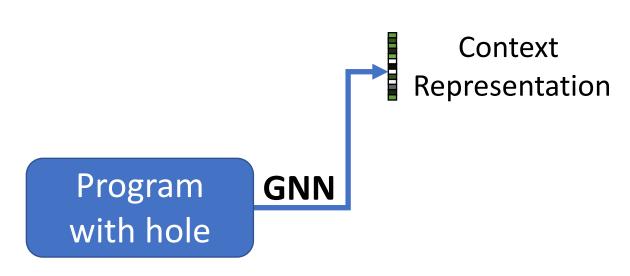
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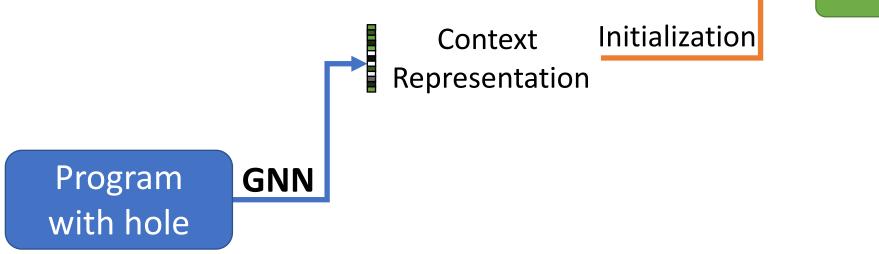
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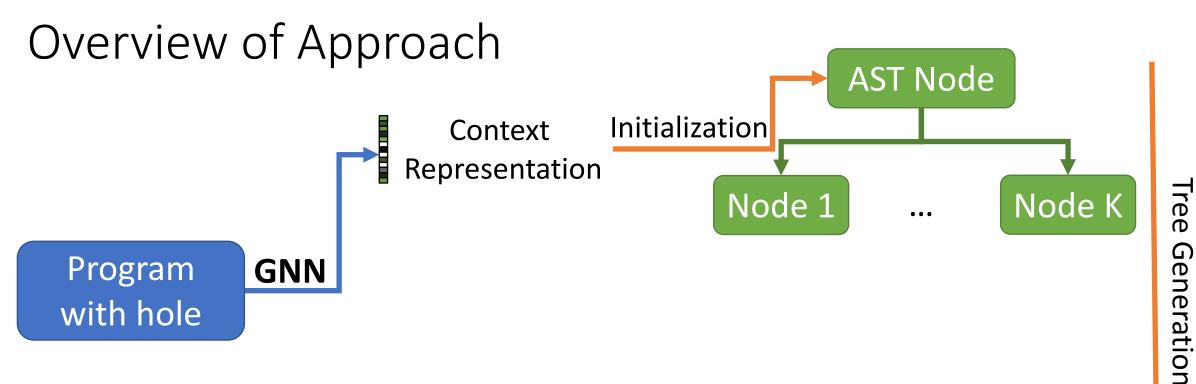
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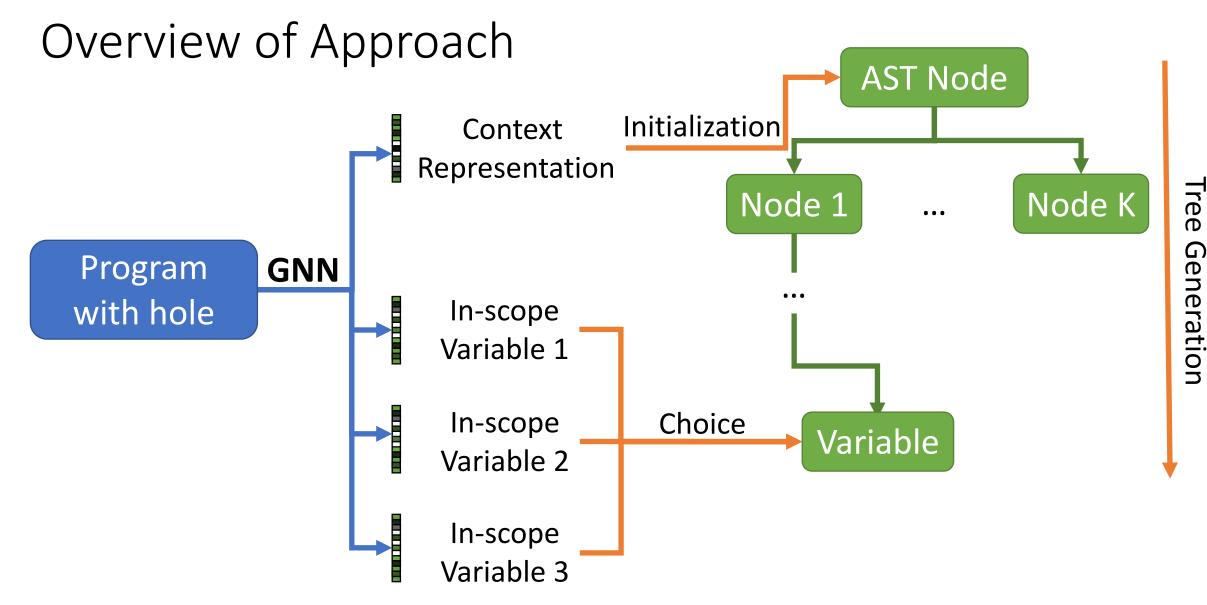


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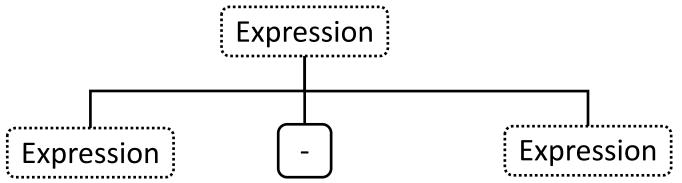


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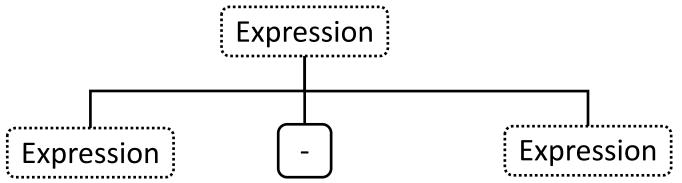


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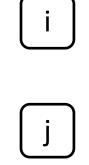
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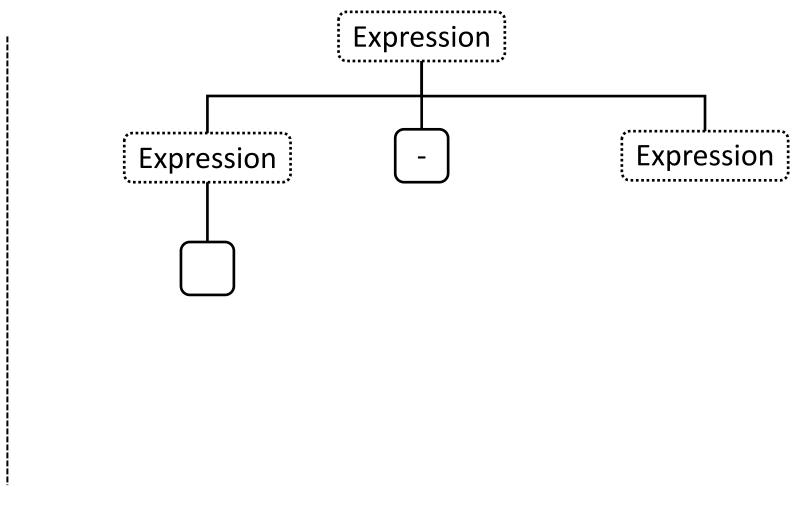


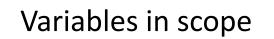
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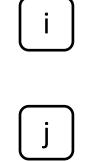


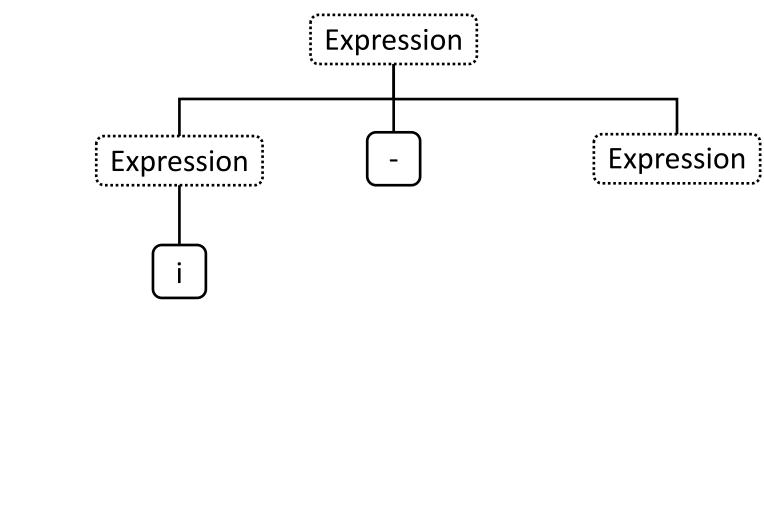




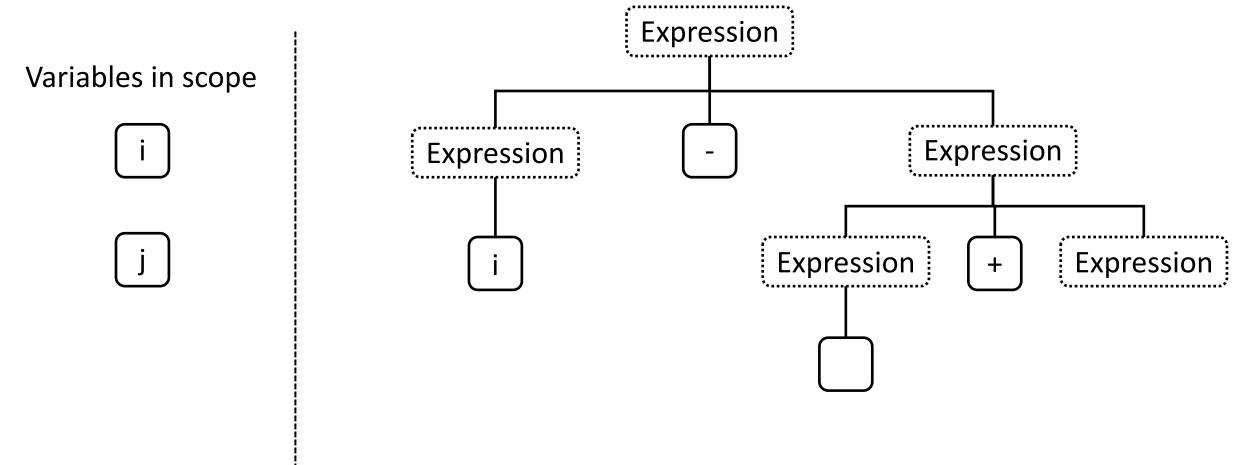




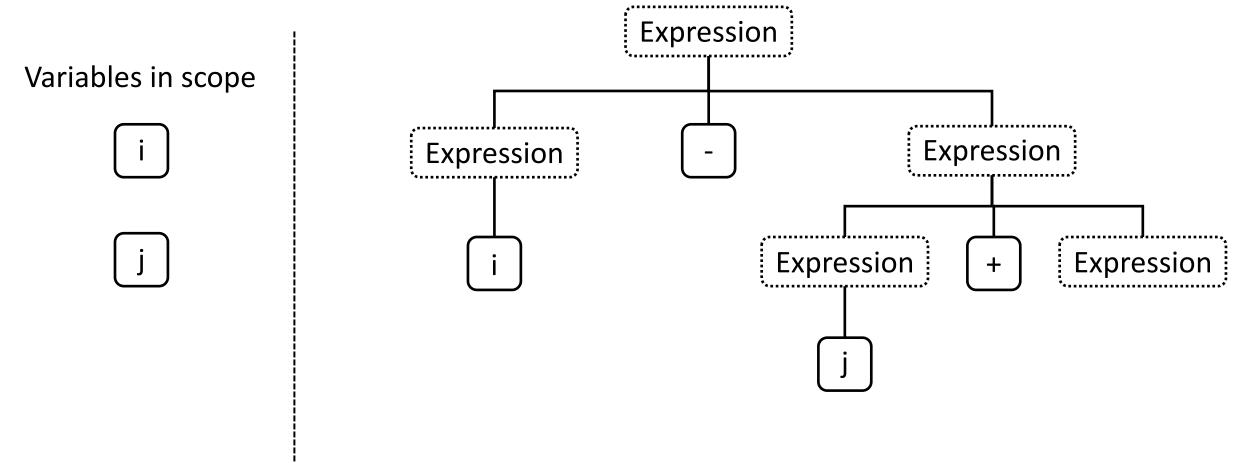




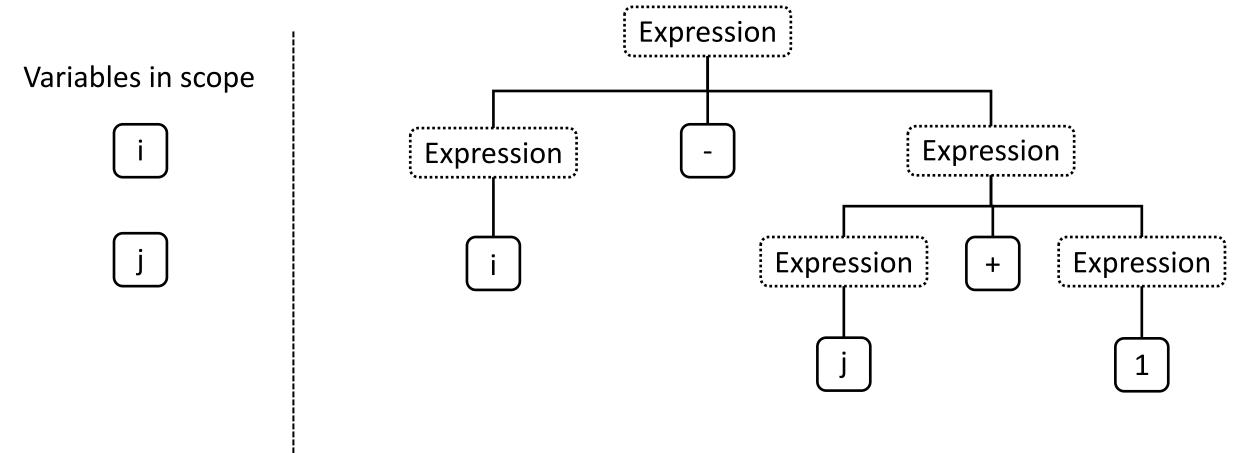
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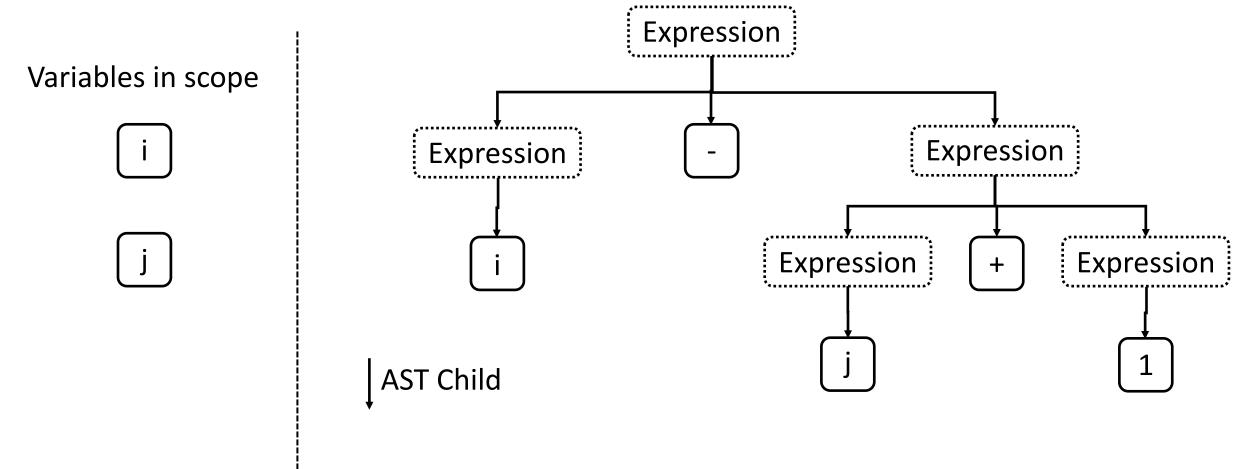
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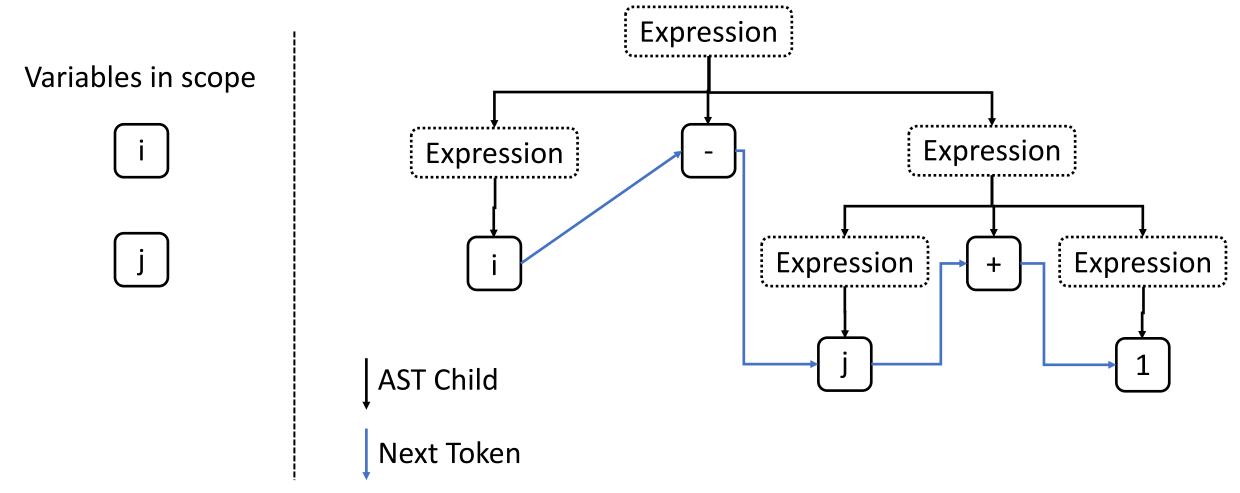
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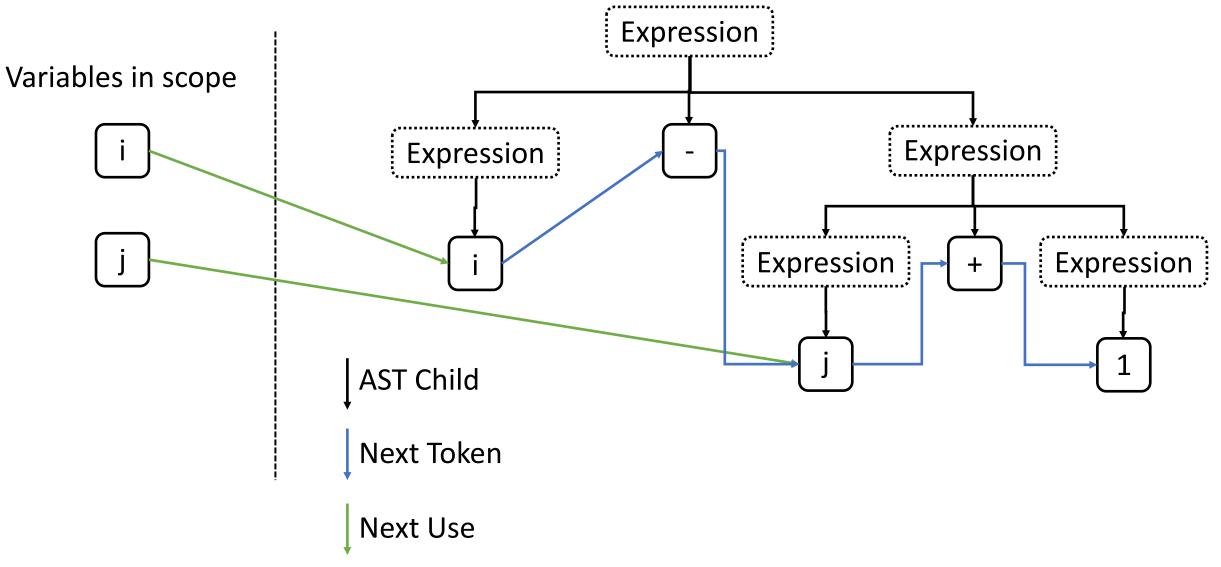
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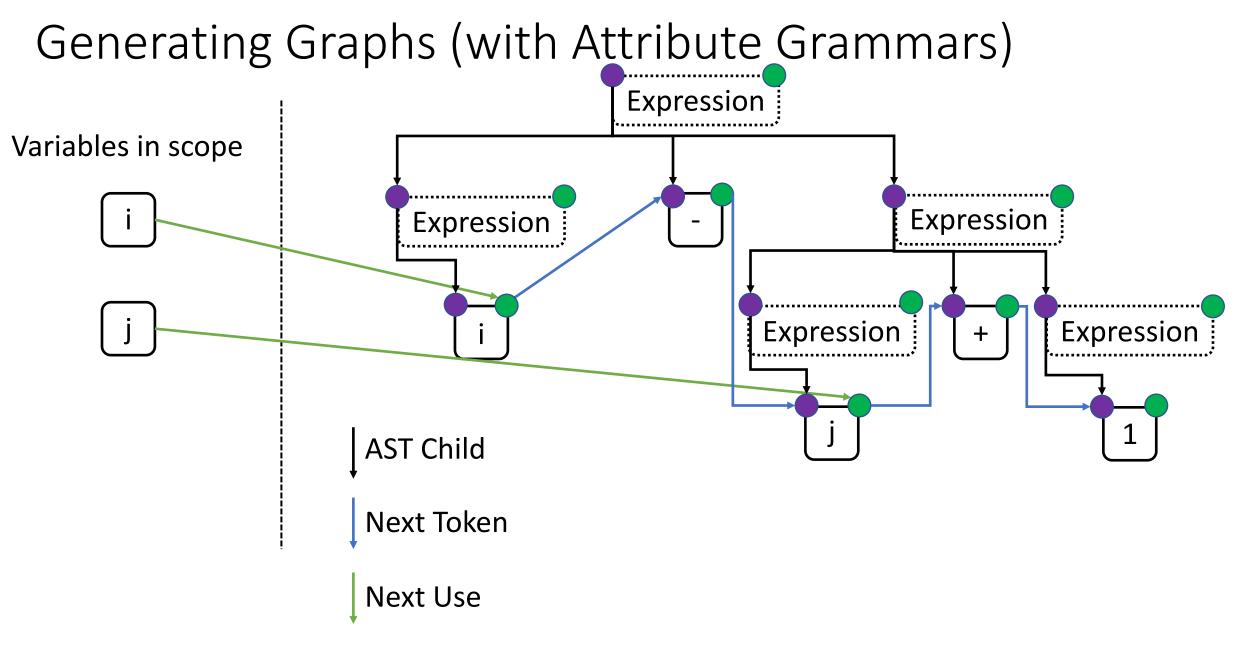


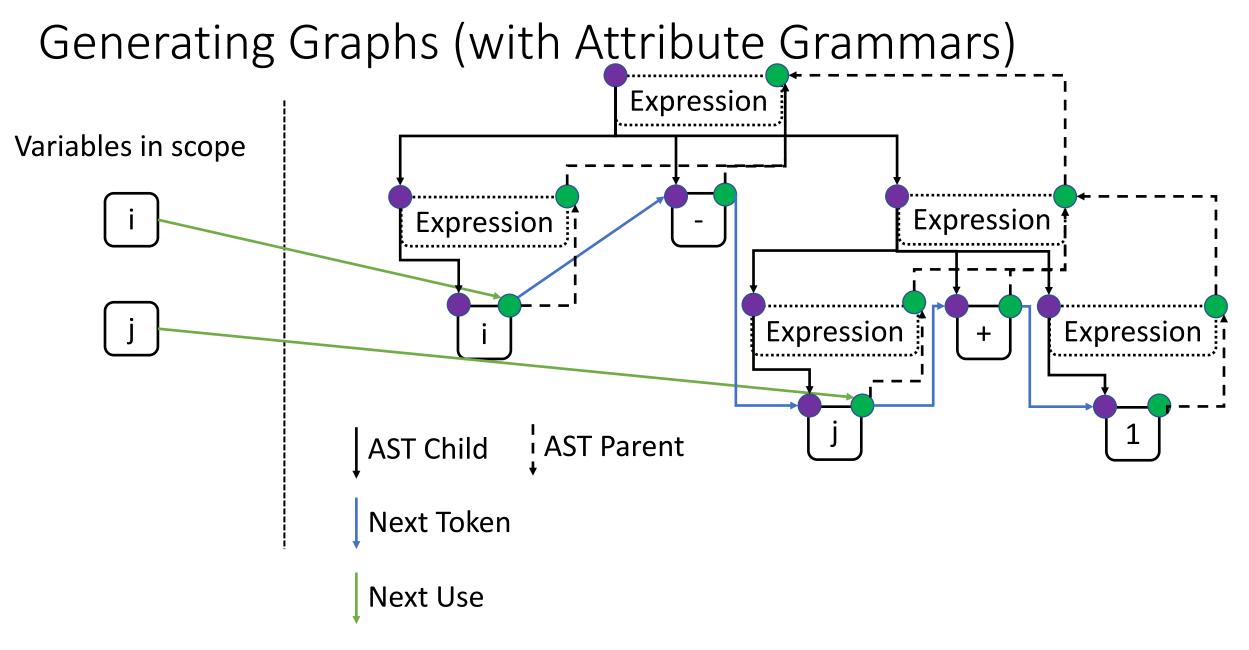
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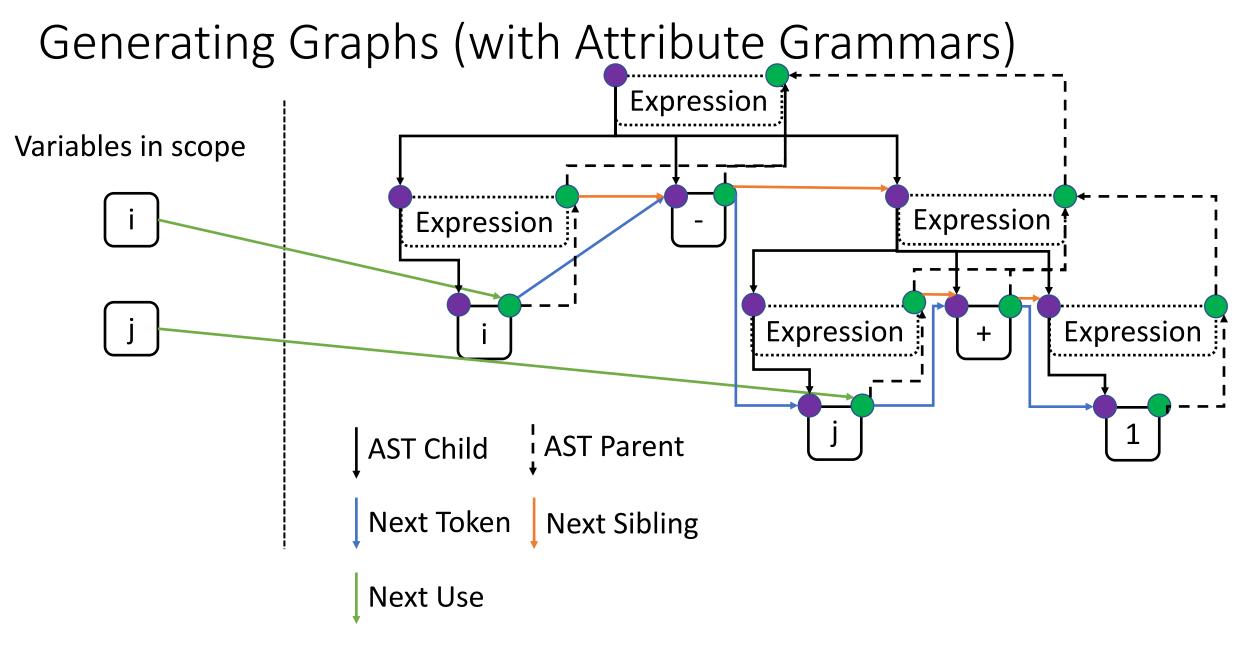


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Filling in Blanks: Quantitative Results

Model	Perplexity	Type-Correct	Match@1	Match @5
$Seq \rightarrow NAG$	8.38	40.4	8.4	15.8
$Graph \rightarrow Tree$	5.37	41.2	19.9	36.8
Graph \rightarrow Syntax Networks	3.03	74.7	32.4	48.1
Graph \rightarrow Sequentalised Tree	3.48	84.5	36.0	52.7
Graph \rightarrow Neural Attr. Gram.	3.07	84.5	38.8	57.0

Training data: 479 C# projects from GitHub Test data: 114 C# projects from GitHub (~100 000 samples)

UX Lessons Learned

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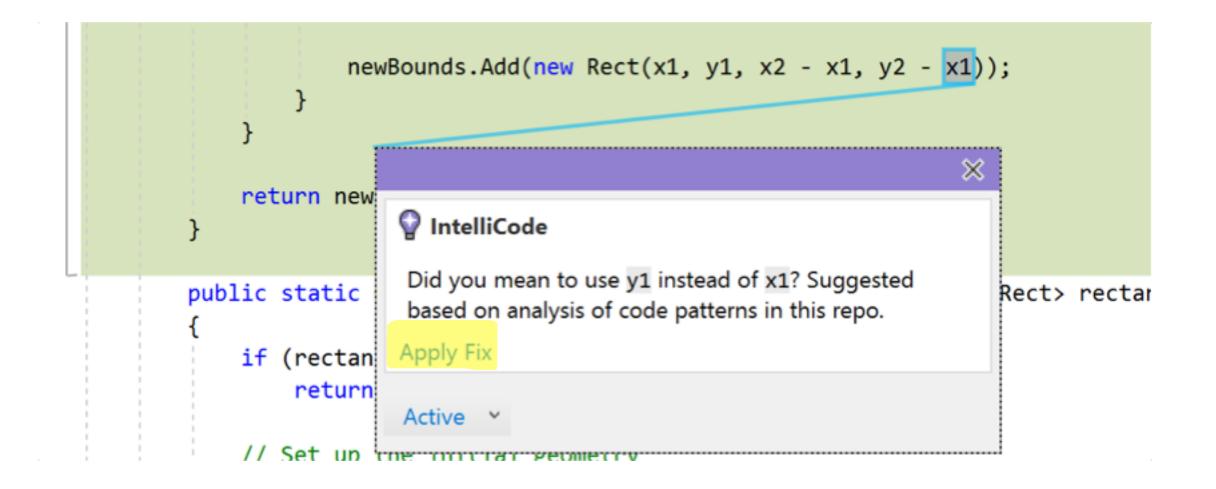
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// Create or update the document.
var newDocument = await cosmosClient.UpsertDocumentAsync(cosmosDbCollectionUri, document);
if (updateRecord)
{
    logger.WriteLog($"Updated {existingDocument} to {newDocument}");
}
else
{
    logger.WriteLog($"Added {existingDocument}");
```



smartbot@microsoft.com 1/31/2018 Update 1 \bigcirc 1 Resolved \checkmark Based on this repo's code patterns, did you intend to use 'newDocument' (confidence 92%) rather than 'existingDocument` (confidence 7%) here? Review is recommended by Research bot's Variable Misuse analysis.



Dogfooding Tales: The Good



Dogfooding Tales: The Strange

111	+	}
112	+	
113	+	<pre>string activeRepo = this.gitExt.ActiveRepositories[0].RepositoryPath;</pre>
114	+	<pre>string relativePath = PathHelper.MakeRelative(activeRepo, sourceFileName)</pre>
115	+	Directory.CreateDirectory(Path.GetDirectoryName(compositePath));
116	+	
117	+	try

smartbot@microsoft.com 31 minutes ago •

Based on this repo's code patterns, did you intend to use 'compositePath' (confidence 72%) rather than 'sourceFileName` (confidence 11%) here? Review is recommended by Research bot's Variable Misuse analysis.

Kenny Young 25 minutes ago

relativePath is correct here, though I understand why this code path is a bit tricky for the bot - here we are building the path to pass to the Git API to read the older version of the file. compositePath is the output path, appended with the hash.

Kenny Young 18 minutes ago Oops, I meant "sourceFileName is correct here". Same argument. Does the Variable Misuse analyzer search PR comments?

Kenny Young 10 minutes ago

I'm actually going to take this comment to mean "hey, this code is hard to read" and move the CreateDirectory line above this code, so that like variables are used together. That will surely unconfuse the bot and be easier to read as well.

Dogfooding Tales: The Bad

C	C# UnhandledExceptionReporterTests.cs /test/Services/Cascade.Test.Services.Core/Support/UnhandledExceptionReporterTests.cs 1/31/2018				
^	71	+	[Fact]		
	72	+	public async Task ExceptionHandler_Validate_Production_Returns_Empty()		
	73	+	{		
	74	+	using (var telemetryWriter = new StringWriter(new StringBuilder(), CultureInfo.InvariantCulture))		
	75	+	{		
	76	+	<pre>var logger = DiagnosticsLogger.New(new LogValueSet(), telemetryWriter);</pre>		
~	77	+	var errorMessage = "ThisIsATest";		



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Resolved ~

Research Bot suggests renaming telemetryWriter as w with confidence 79%.

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