

# Experimentation with a Prototype OpenModelica Compiler in Julia

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- Integration with the Julia ecosystem
- Provide a standard-compliant Modelica environment in Julia
  - Larger OpenSource community
  - Supporting VSS/Multi-mode DAE models within standard Modelica
- Outsourcing implementation language development
- Enable separate use of OpenModelica Compiler packages
  - Utilizing Julia package manager
  - Tool development without a monolithic compiler

# Julia

- A new programming language by Jeff Bezanson, Stefan Karpinski and Viral B. Shah
- A language for Numerical and Symbolic Computation
- Many libraries for Linear Algebra, Differential Equations, Fast Fourier Transforms etc.
- H. Wilkinson Prize for Numerical Software in 2019
- Already in use for equation-based-modelling, Modia.jl
  - Support for Multi-Mode DAE Models, however non standard-compliant
- OMJulia for interoperability with OpenModelica

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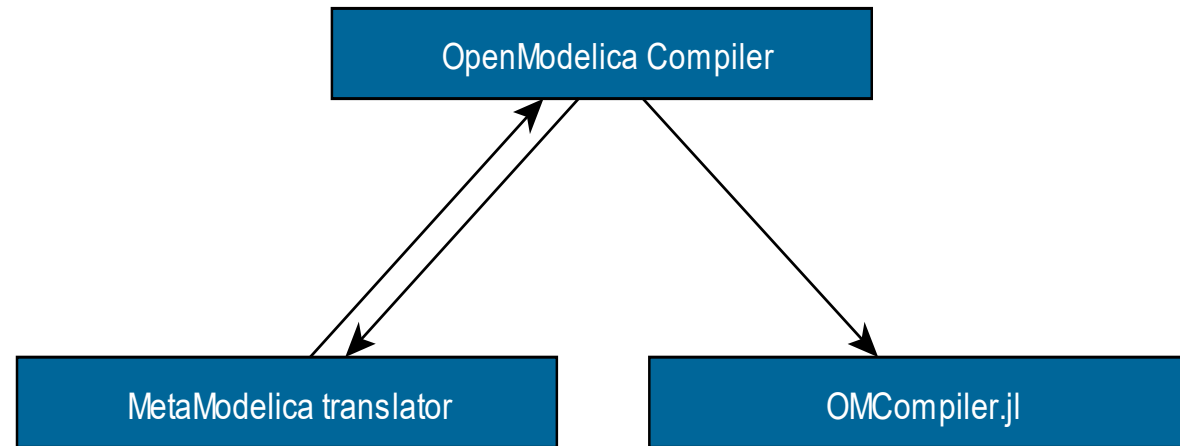
- Translated from the old OpenModelica frontend
- Maps MetaModelica packages to Julia modules
- Difficulties with certain syntactical constructs
  - Circular packages
  - Uniontypes with static methods

```
uniontype Equation
record EQ_IF
  Exp ifExp;
  list<EquationItem> equationTrueItems;
  list<tuple<Exp,
  list<EquationItem>>> elseIfBranches;
  list<EquationItem> equationElseItems;
end EQ_IF;

record EQ_EQUALS
  Exp leftSide;
  Exp rightSide;
end EQ_EQUALS;
// ...
```

# The MetaModelica to Julia translator

- Continuous integration of features
- Supporting parallel development of the existing compiler



# MetaModelica via Metaprogramming

- Julia's AST macros makes language extensions easy
- Structural elements such as inheritance, uniontypes match and matchcontinue are provided

```
@Uniontype Equation begin
@Record EQ_IF begin
  ifExp::Exp
  equationTrueItems::List{EquationItem}
  elseifBranches::List{
    Tuple{Exp,List{EquationItem}}}
  equationElseItems::List{EquationItem}
end
```

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@Record EQ_EQUALS begin
  leftSide::Exp
  rightSide::Exp
end
# ...
end
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# MetaModelica.jl

- Compiler runtime
  - MetaModelica.jl
  - Pattern-matching
  - Immutable List
  - Uniontypes
- Possible to use as a standalone package

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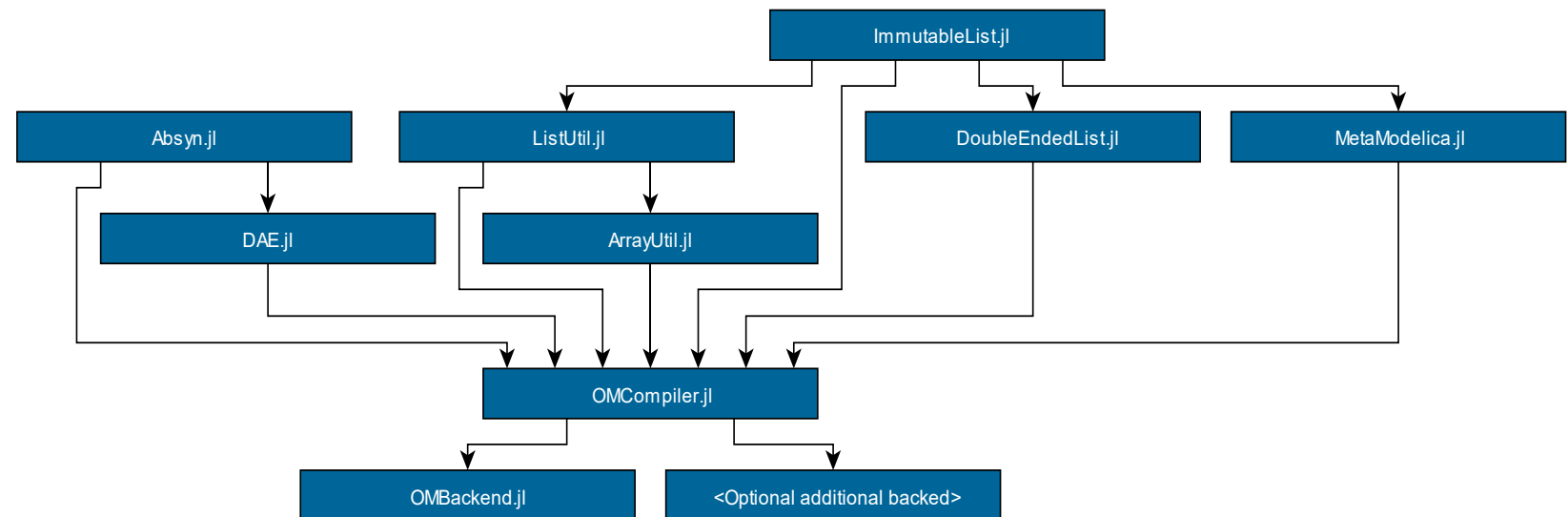
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# OMParser.jl

- The AST is constructed in ANTLR using C the foreign function interface of Julia
  - Capable of parsing any Modelica library (tested with MSL 3.2.3)
- Somewhat smaller memory footprint
  - Better data sharing

# OMCompiler.jl

- Translated from the current frontend
- Able to parse and translate:
  - Absyn IR
  - SCode IR
  - DAE IR



# OMCompiler.jl

- Generated Julia DAE IR compatible with existing MetaModelica DAE IR
- Somewhat smaller memory footprint

```

dae = DAE.DAE_LIST(Cons {
  DAE.Element
}{DAE.COMP("HelloWorld", Cons {
  DAE.Element
}{DAE.VAR(DAE.CREF_IDENT("x", DAE.T_REAL(Nil {
  Any
})), Nil {
  Any
})), DAE.VARIABLE(), DAE.BIDIR(), DAE.NON_PARALLEL(), DAE.PUBLIC(), DAE.T_REAL(Nil {
  Any
})), nothing, Nil {
  Any
...
  Any
})), SOME {
  SCode.Comment
} (SCode.COMMENT(nothing, nothing))), Nil {
  Any
}()))

```

**Future work**

# Future work

- Translating the new high performance frontend
- A Simulation runtime
- OMBackend.jl
- Investigate possible integration with:
  - Modia.jl
  - DifferentialEquations.jl

**About the dragon?**

# Future work

- Dragon
  - LLVM
- Cogwheels
  - Modelica
- Colors?
  - Julia





Questions?

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