



Macho: Programming With Man Pages

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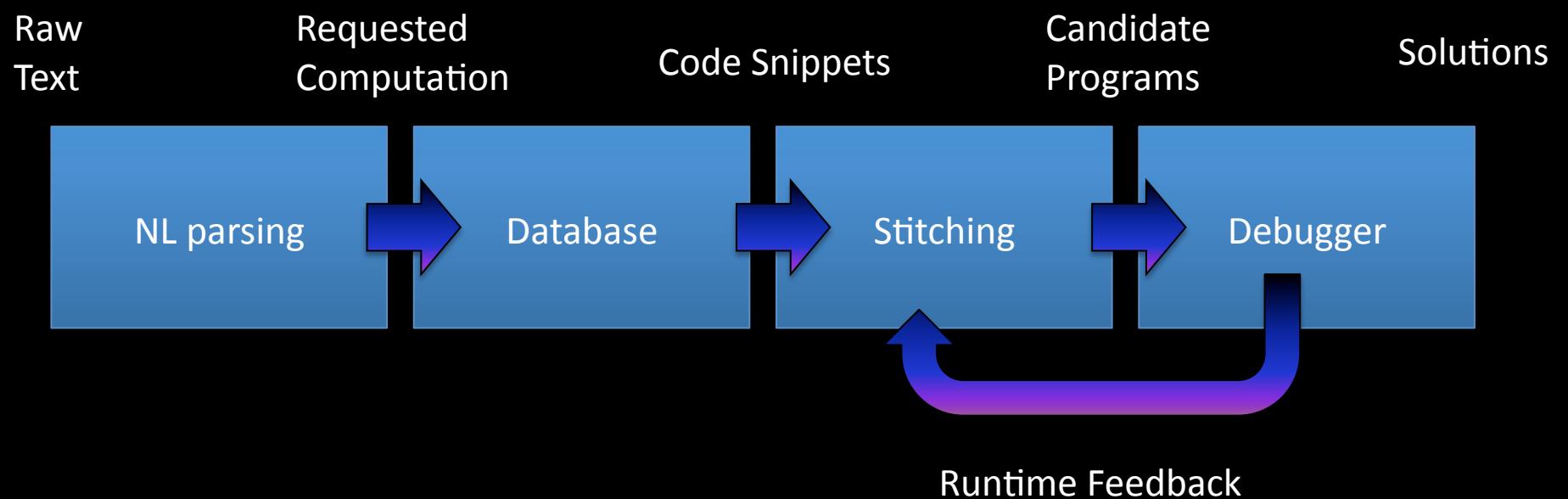


Programming is hard!

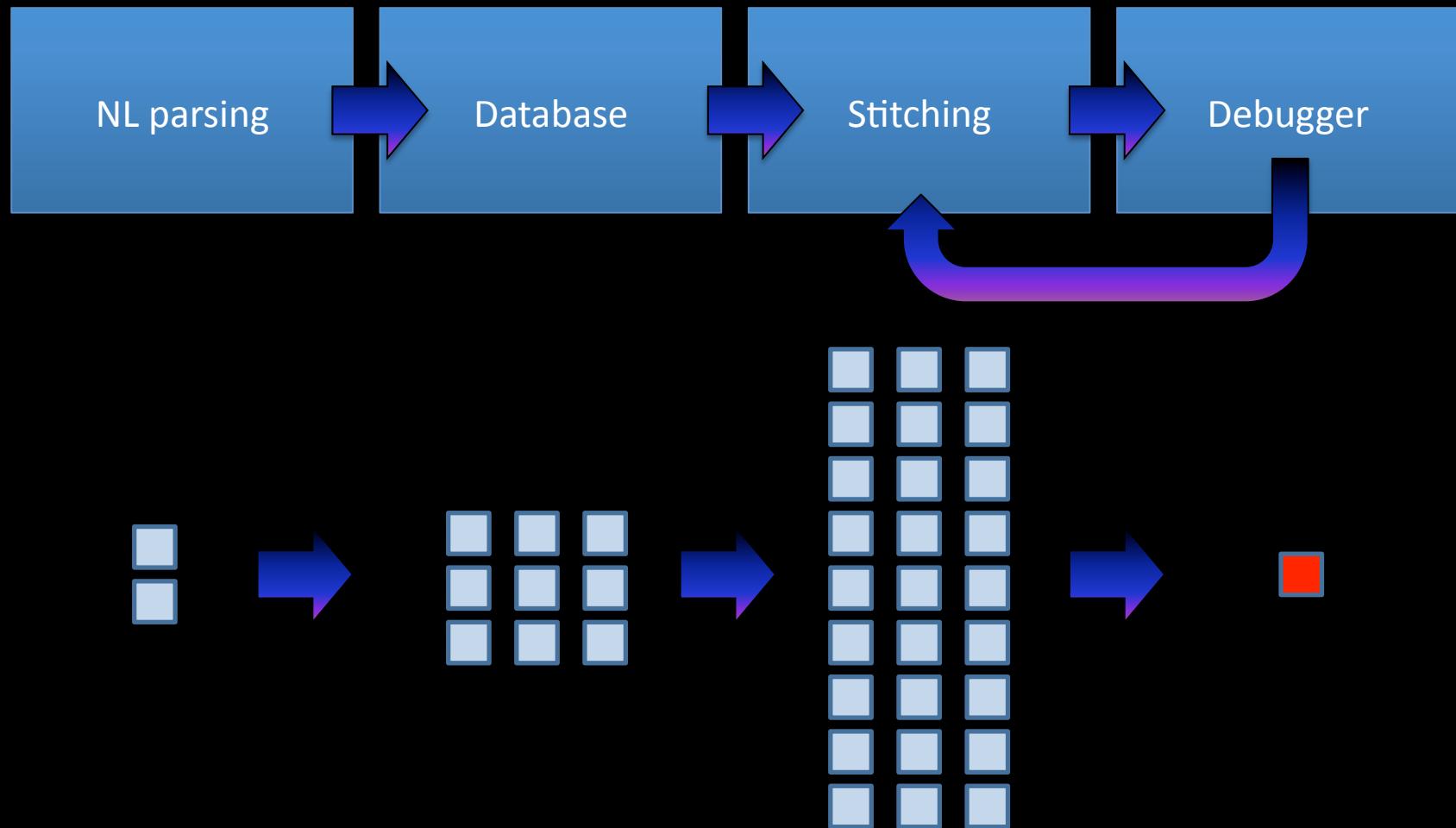
Lots of Automated Tools

Automating Programming

Macho Architecture



The Trick



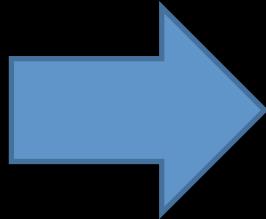
Examples!

The Example (LS)

Print the names of files in a directory. Sort the names.

Extract Implied Computation

Print the names of
files in a directory.
Sort names.



directory -> files
files -> names
print(names)
sort(names)

Use Programmer's Labels

```
public static void main(String[] args) {  
    . . . .  
    //first (original) database  
    files = directory.listFiles();  
    . . . .  
}
```



Input to Synthesis: LS1

```
public static void ls1(java.lang.String p_directory) {  
    java.io.File tmp = new File(p_directory);  
    java.io.File[] files = tmp.listFiles();  
    int tmp_0 = files.length;  
    java.lang.String[] tmp_1 = new java.lang.String[tmp_0];  
    for(int tmp_3 = 0; tmp_3 < files.length; ++tmp_3) {  
        java.io.File tmp_2 = files[tmp_3];  
        java.lang.String names = tmp_2.getName();  
        tmp_1[tmp_3] = names;  
    }  
    Arrays.sort(tmp_1);  
    for(int tmp_5 = 0; tmp_5 < tmp_1.length; ++tmp_5) {  
        java.lang.String tmp_4 = tmp_1[tmp_5];  
        System.out.println(tmp_4);  
    }  
}
```

Bugs!

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Synthesized Version of LS

```
public static void Ls3(String p_dir) {  
    java.io.File tmp = new File(p_dir);  
    java.io.File[] files = tmp.listFiles();  
    boolean tmp_3 = tmp.isDirectory();  
    if(tmp_3) {  
        Arrays.sort(files);  
        for(int tmp_1 = 0; tmp_1 < files.length; ++tmp_1) {  
            java.io.File tmp_0 = files[tmp_1];  
            java.lang.String names = tmp_0.getName();  
            boolean tmp_2 = tmp_0.isHidden();  
            if(!tmp_2)  
                System.out.println(names);  
        }  
    }  
    else  
        System.out.println(tmp + "");  
}
```

Pure NL Spec

Take the path "/home/zerocool/" If the path is a file, print it. Otherwise get the list of files in the directory. Sort the result alphabetically. Go over the result from the beginning to the end: If the current element's filename does not begin with ".", print it.

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+ simple example

Input Synergy

