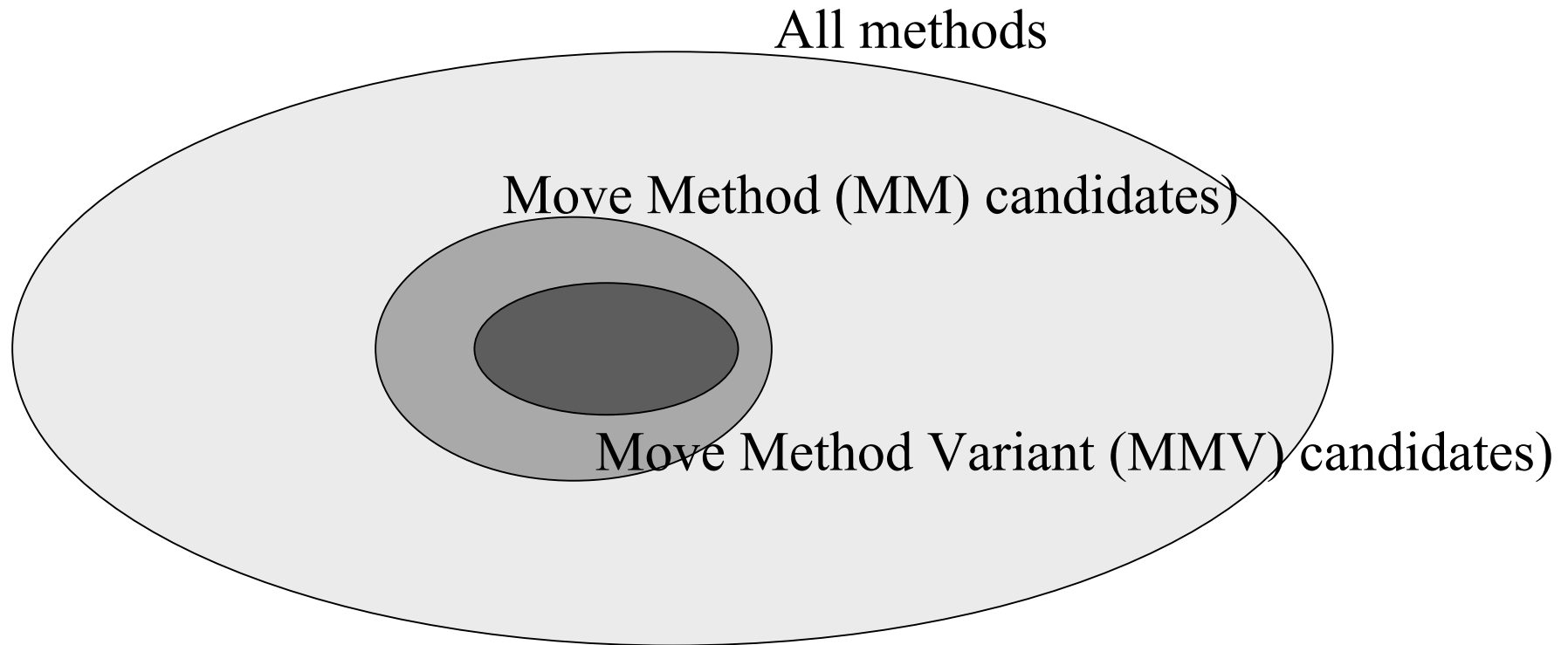


Qualitative Preconditions for Refactoring

Analysis procedures

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Estimating the effect of a refactoring



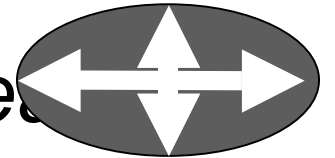
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$\text{Postcondition}(\text{MMV}) \Rightarrow \text{Postcondition}(\text{MM})$

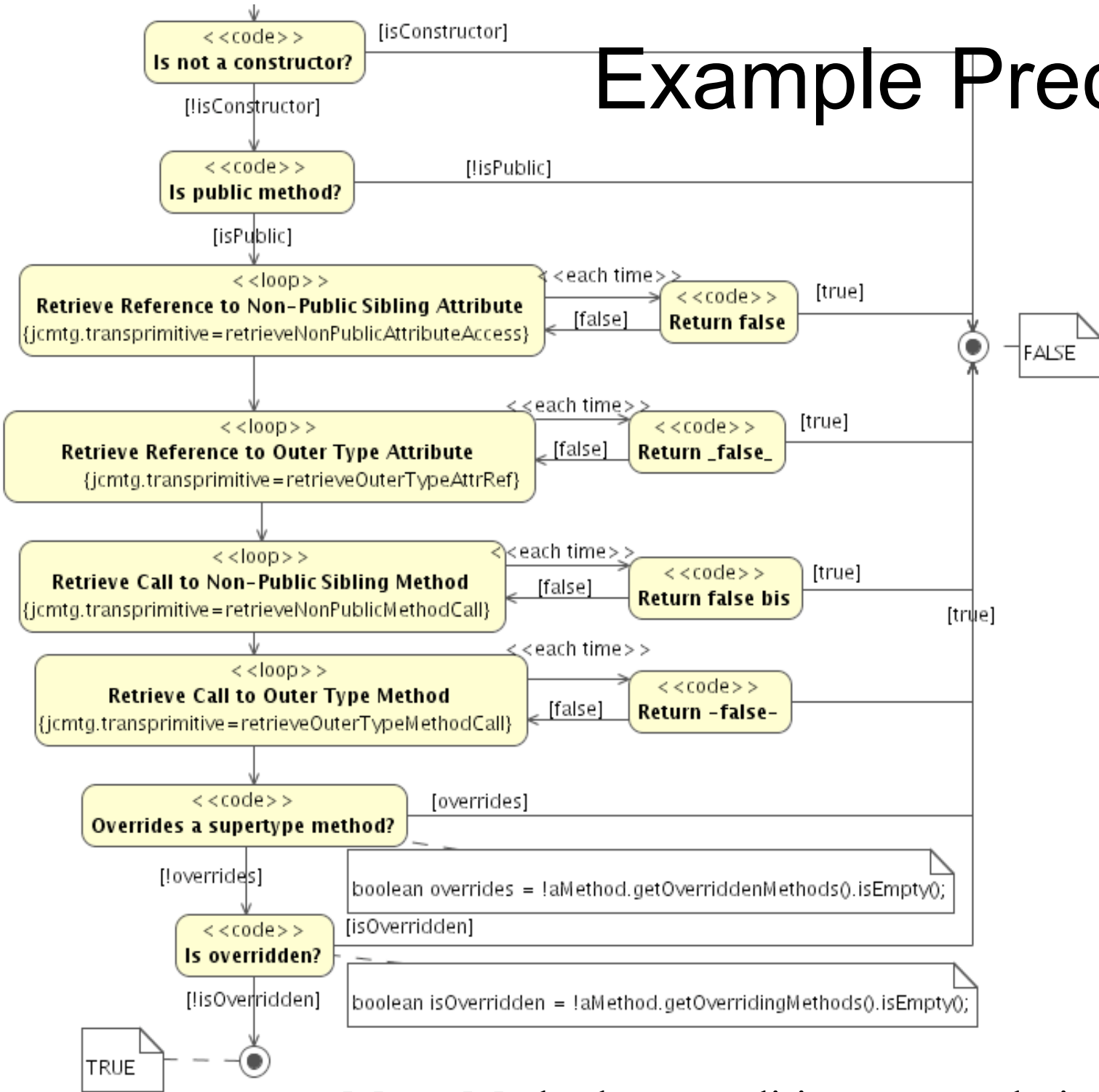
e.g. $\text{Postcondition}(\text{MMV}) = \text{Postcondition}(\text{MM}) + \text{less coupling}$

Validating Refactoring Variants

- _ Evaluate Preconditions to assess *applicability*
- _ Calculate Metrics to validate *effect estimation*
 - $Postcondition(MMV) \setminus Postcondition(MM)$
- _ Requires instances of a GRAMMY/FAMIX-alike metamodel
 - *Nodes*: Packages, Types, Methods, Attributes, Parameters
 - *Edges*: Composition, Inheritance, Typing, Invocation, Reference

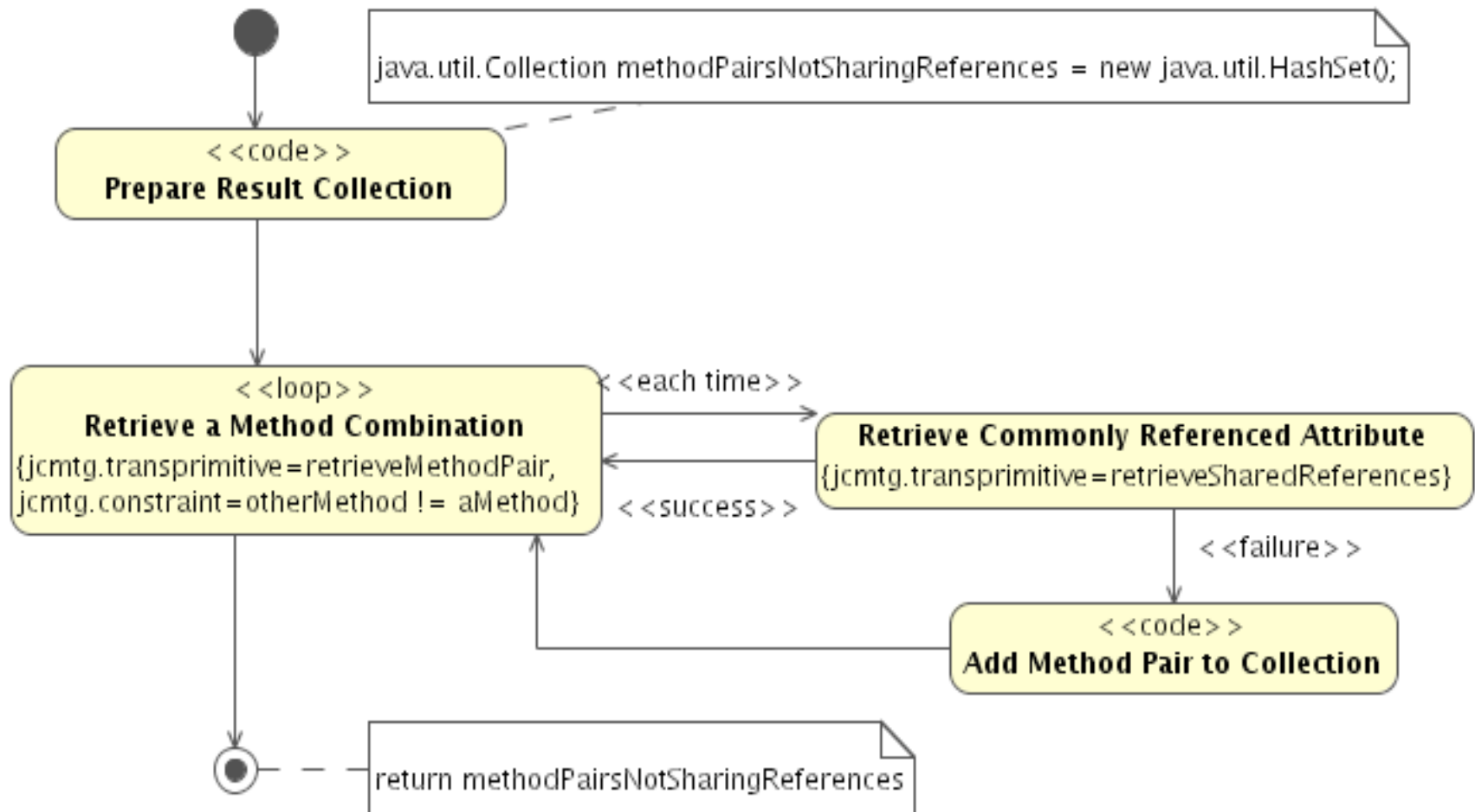


Example Precondition



Move Method precondition w.r.t. relationship between m_{src} and

Example Metric



Lack of Cohesion of Methods (LCOM1)

JDT2MDR and MotMot

A successful collaboration

People involved

LORE: JDT2MDR

- _ Bart DB
 - Transformation framework

- _ Bart VR
 - Extensions for testing data

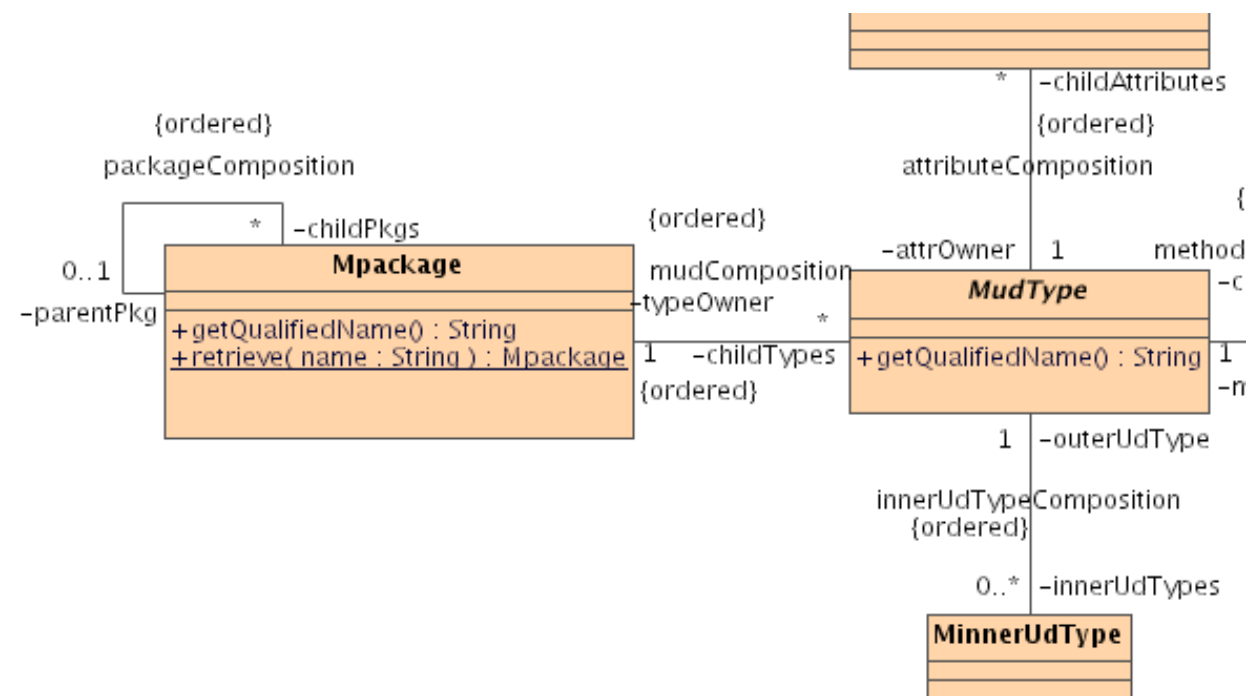
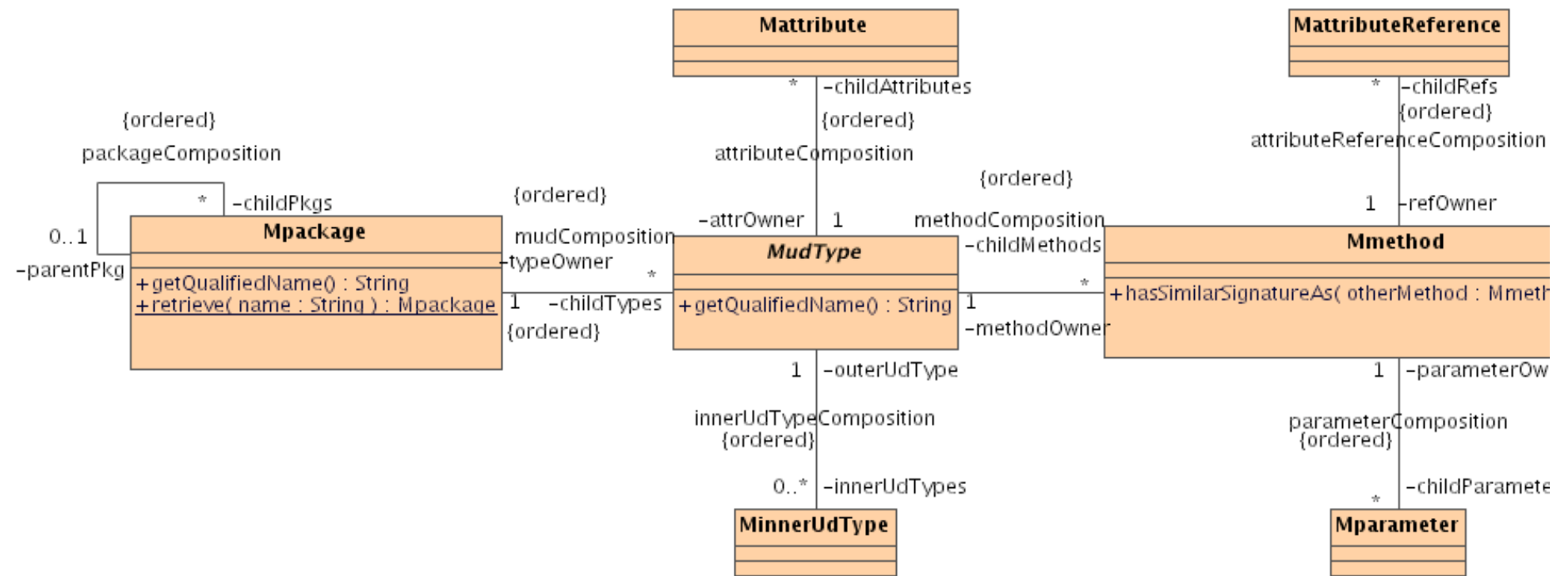
FOTS: MotMot

- _ Pieter Van Gorp,
Hans Schippers, Olaf
Muliawan
 - Query specification
 - Query generation

JDT2MDR

- _ Transformation between
 - AST's provided by Eclipse Java Development Tools
 - Grammy/FAMIX alike metamodel

- _ Goals:
 - Facilitate querying Java software systems
 - _ SDM, OCL, plain API usage
 - Cheap queries (yet expensive parsing)



Collaboration benefits

LORE

- _ Application minded
 - refactoring candidates
 - link tests \leftrightarrow code
- _ Reduced learning curve

FOTS

- _ Technique minded
 - graph transformation
 - code generation
- _ MotMot case study
- _ Beta-test data

