

Automatic Generation of Python Extensions to C++ and F95 Class Libraries

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Introduction

- What
 - Use scripting languages (Python and Perl) to access C++ and FORTRAN libraries
- Why
 - Taming of the beasts (C++ and FORTRAN)
- Why not SWIG
 - C++ templates
 - FORTRAN 95

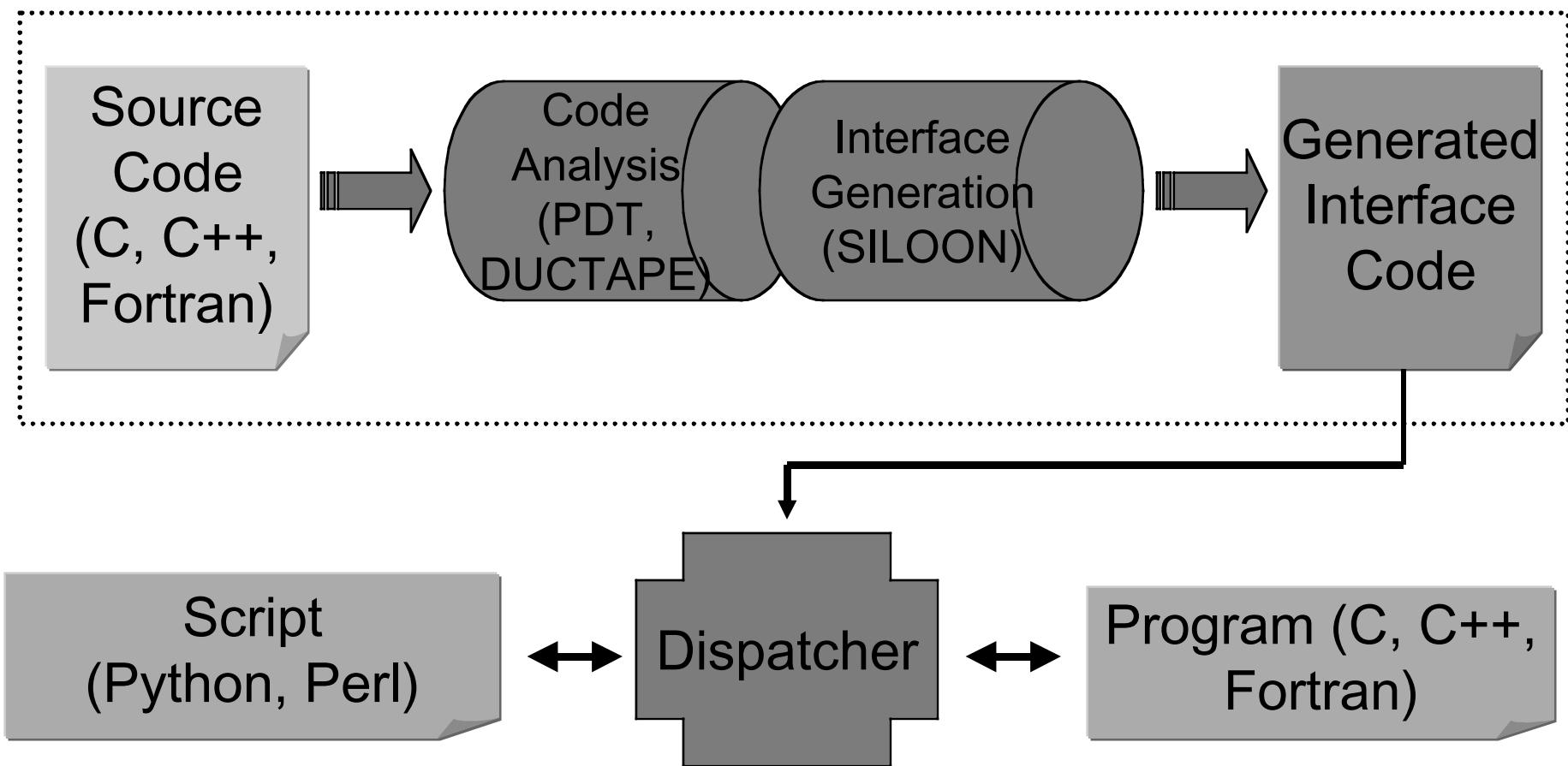


Supported Languages

- Scripting languages (client)
 - Python
 - Perl
- Compiled languages (compute server)
 - C
 - C++
 - FORTRAN
 - FORTRAN 95



Using SILOON





How To

- Basic steps to create a SILOON module:

```
[1]% siloon-init example
```

```
[2]% cd siloon-example
```

```
[3]% emacs user.defs
```

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[4]% emacs prototypes.doinclude
```

```
[5]% make interface
```

```
[6]% make shared
```

```
[7]% python
```



C++ and F95 Support

- SILOON provides support for most C++ features
 - classes
 - virtual and static member functions
 - constructors and destructors
 - overloaded functions
 - passing function parameters by pointer or by reference
 - templates
 - operators
- SILOON provides support for F95 features
 - F95 arrays
 - modules



Web Links

- SILOON home page:
 - <http://www.acl.lanl.gov/siloon/>
 - siloon-team@acl.lanl.gov
- Program Database Toolkit and Ductape
 - www.cs.uoregon.edu/research/paracomp/pdtoolkit