

Unified Modeling Language (UML) modeling for .NET users

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 What keeps me **Rational**?



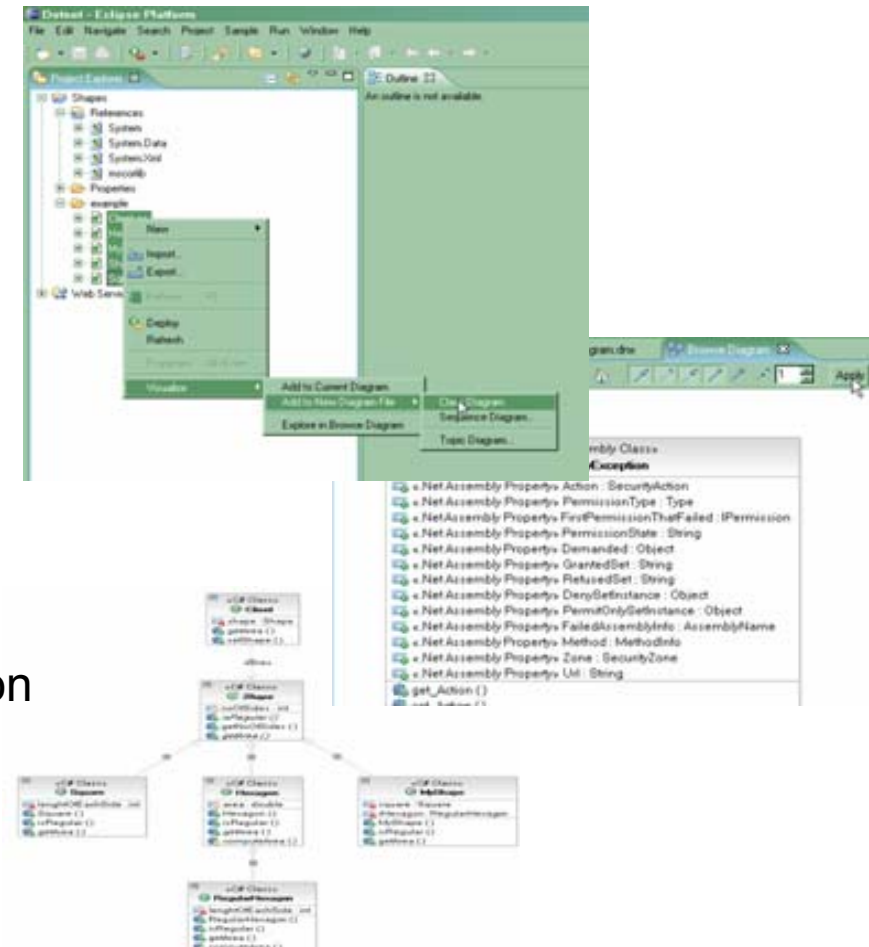
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- What is RME .NET?
- MDD theories of operations with RME .NET
- Migrate XDE code models to RME .NET



Rational Modeling Extension for .NET

- Facilitates team communication in heterogeneous environments
 - ▶ Enables conceptual modeling of architectures and applications using UML 2
- UML-based model-driven development of applications
 - ▶ Whether implemented fully or partially on the Microsoft .NET platform
- Understand your application with C# source visualization
- Evolve design with UML to C# transformation
 - ▶ Also C# to UML inverse transformation and reconciliation
 - ▶ Supports “True Round Trip Engineering”
- Migration of XDE C# code models



*Complements and integrates
with Microsoft Visual Studio 2005 technology*



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MDD Theories of operation

- The theories will be explained as follows:
 - ▶ What is the theory
 - ▶ When it is useful
 - ▶ Ways in which RME .NET supports the theory
 - ▶ Demo



MDD Theories of operation

- Concrete model drives development
- Mixed Modeling
- RTE
- Conceptual model drives development



What is a concrete model?

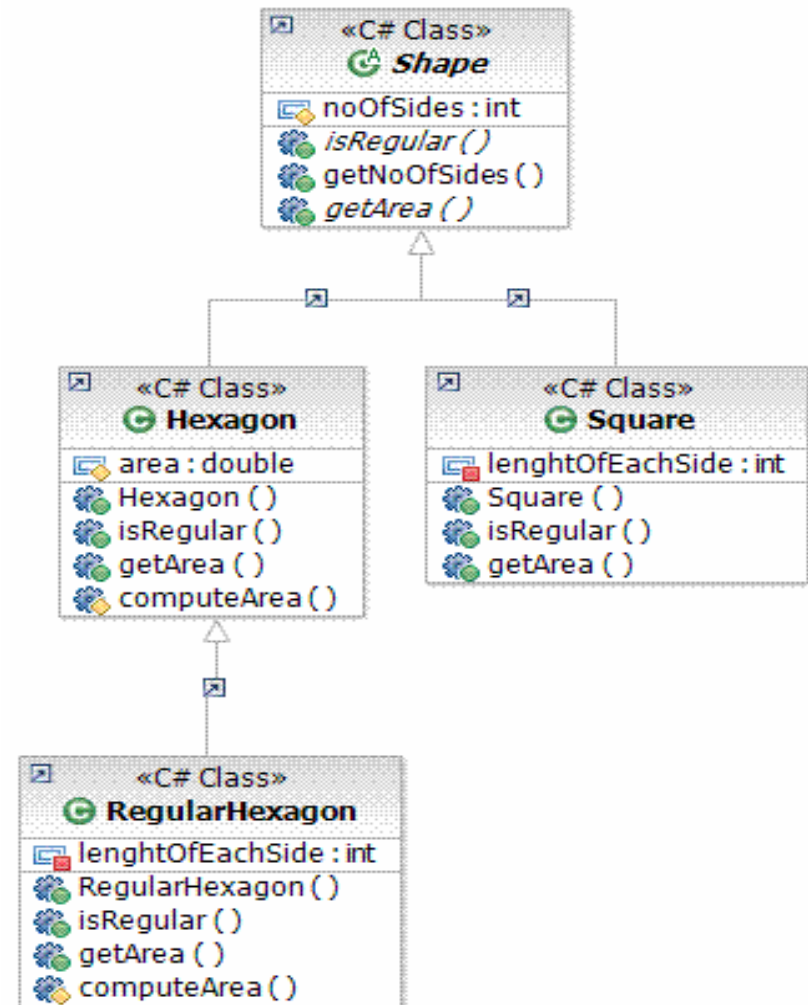
- A domain-specific model implemented on a custom meta-model (in EMF or other technology)
- Code modeling is technology that can depict a piece of code as a UML model. No need to reverse engineer an entire application.

When this is useful

- I'm a developer, I don't want to have to learn the details of UML or work with model files, but I like the clarity and rigor that diagrams bring to my design process
- To understand code better
- Explore code visually using exploration tools like SRE, browse and topic diagrams

RME .NET complements the designing capabilities available in Visual Studio

- Sequence diagrams
- Show related elements, Show/Hide relationships
- Topic and browse diagrams
- Easy navigability from RME .NET to Visual Studio; by double-clicking
- Harvest code elements (vized) elements





Demo

The .NET Visualizer



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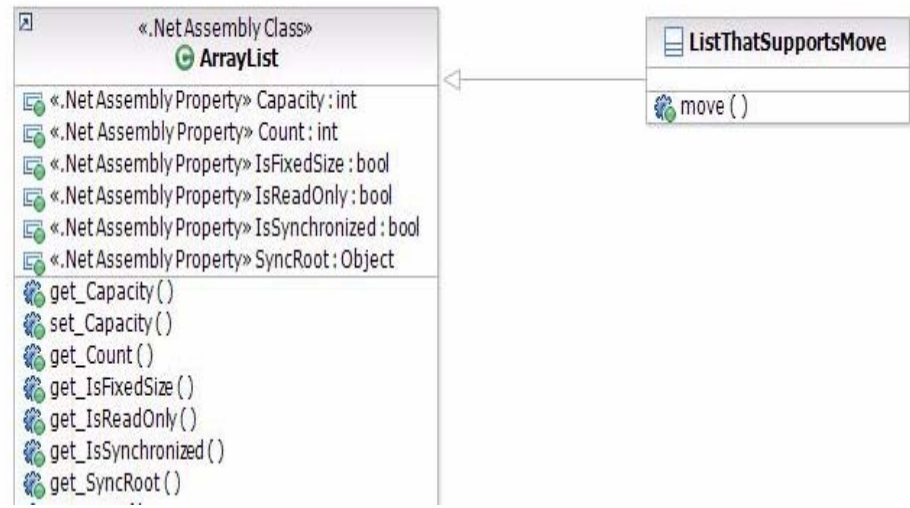
Mixed modeling

- Conceptual models are “morphed” into mixed models during transformation
- Thereafter, “Code becomes King”. Subsequent changes to code reflect immediately in the diagrams that depict it.
- New conceptual content can be added in subsequent iterations

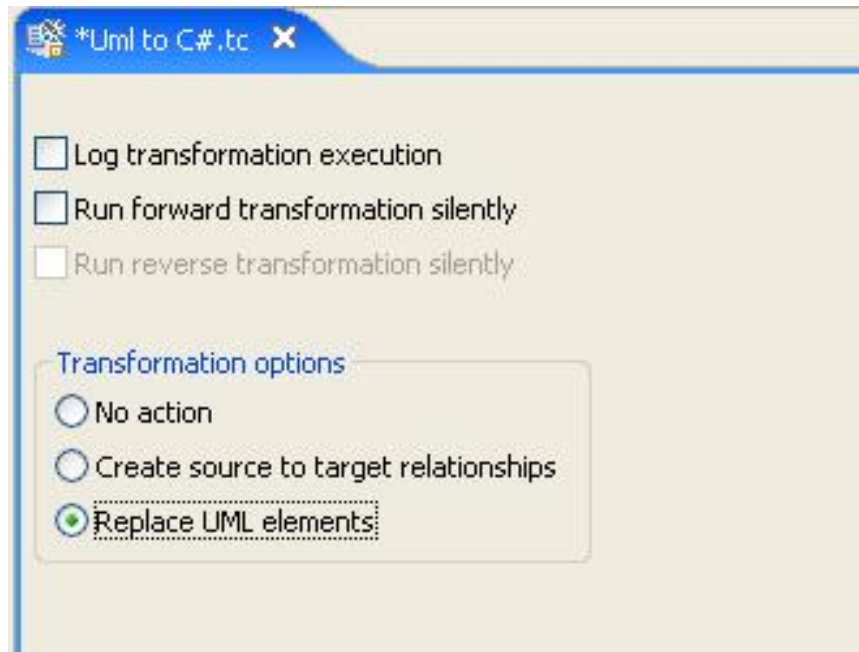


When this is useful

- If you don't want to maintain separate artifacts, and worry about synchronization between model and code
- Iteratively create new designs in UML and convert them into implementations in a specific domain
- You can use types from .NET Framework and third party assemblies in your models.



Run transformation with “Replace UML elements” option





Demo

The C# transform with “Replace Elements Option” (Morph)



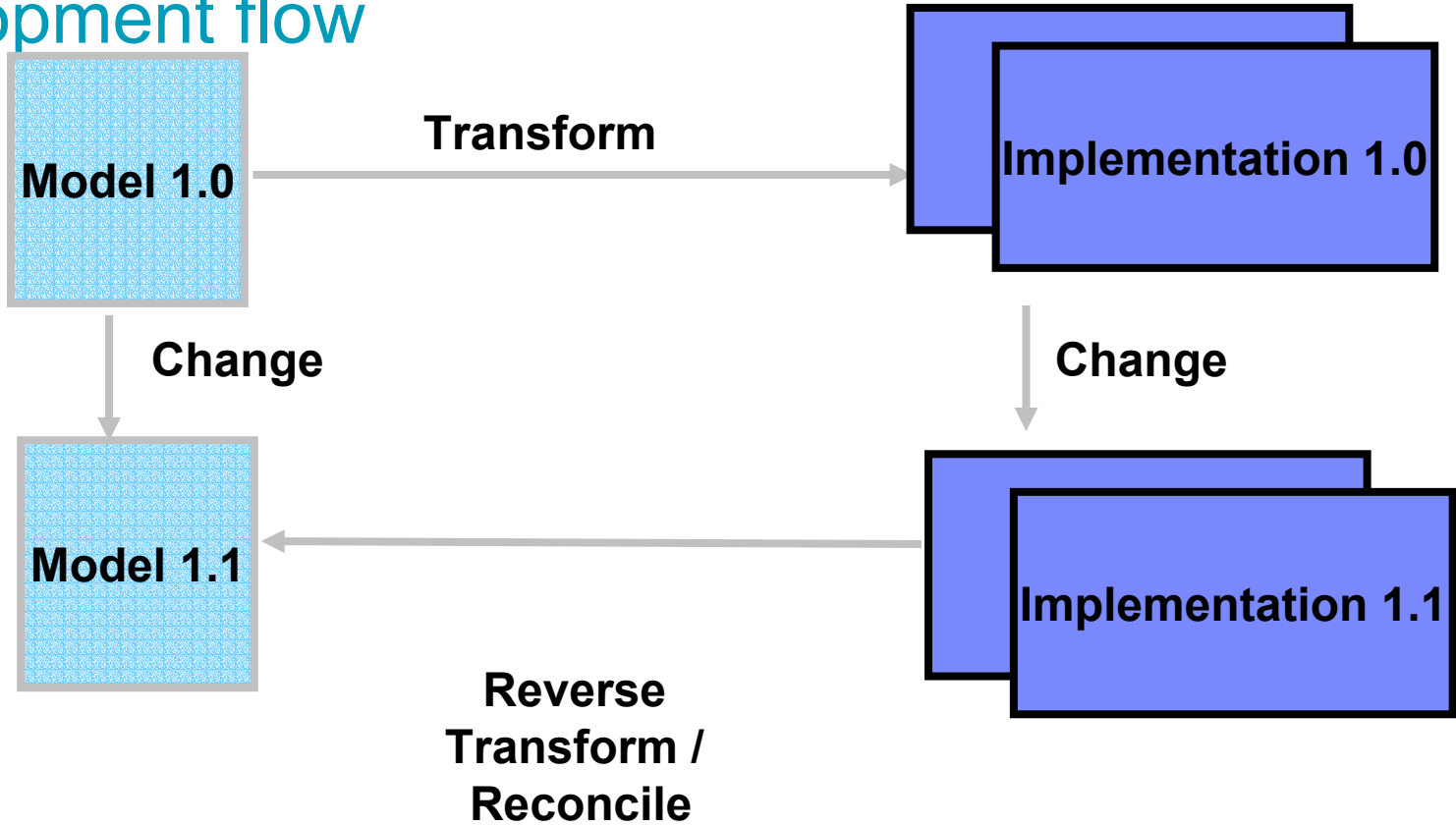
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Round trip engineering

- Create and preserve conceptual models
- Conceptual models and implementations evolve independently after implementation is seeded
- Periodically reconcile conceptual models to implementations

Development flow

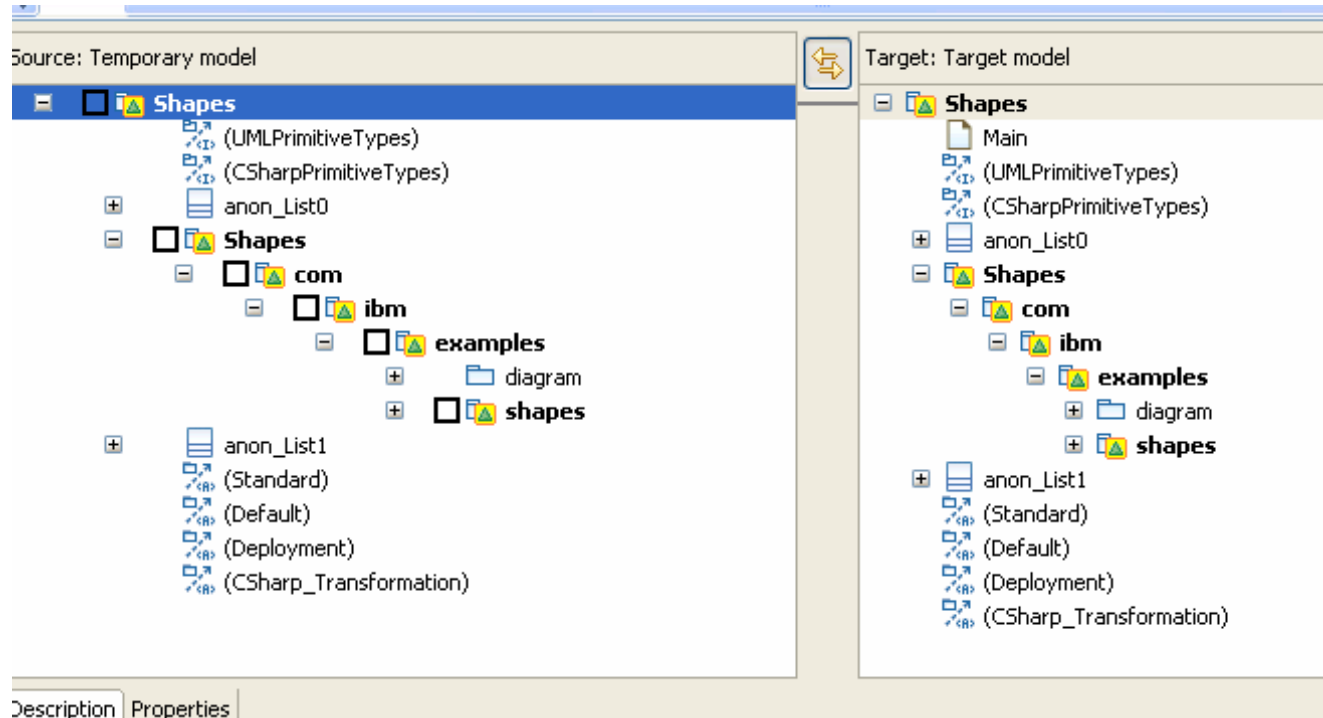


When this is useful

- A situation where the architecture and the implementation can evolve independently. Periodically reconcile changes from code to model and resolve issues that require corrective measures.
- Particularly well suited to outsourcing/offshore scenarios



Use fuse framework to merge changes into model





Demo

The C# forward and reverse transforms



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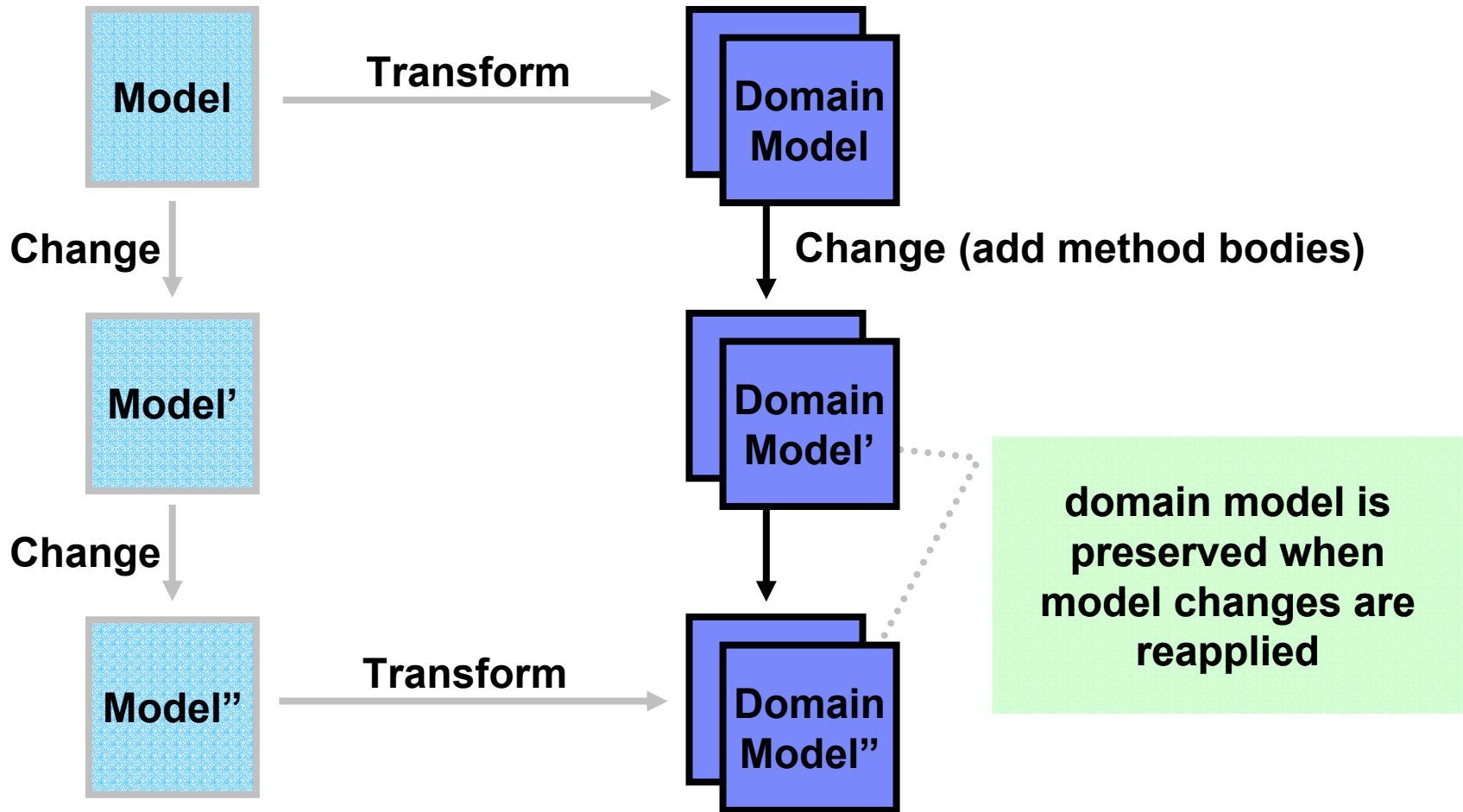
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Conceptual model drives development

- All changes are made in conceptual model and driven (generated) into the implementation.
- Architects have complete control over how the design contract is implemented



Model is master

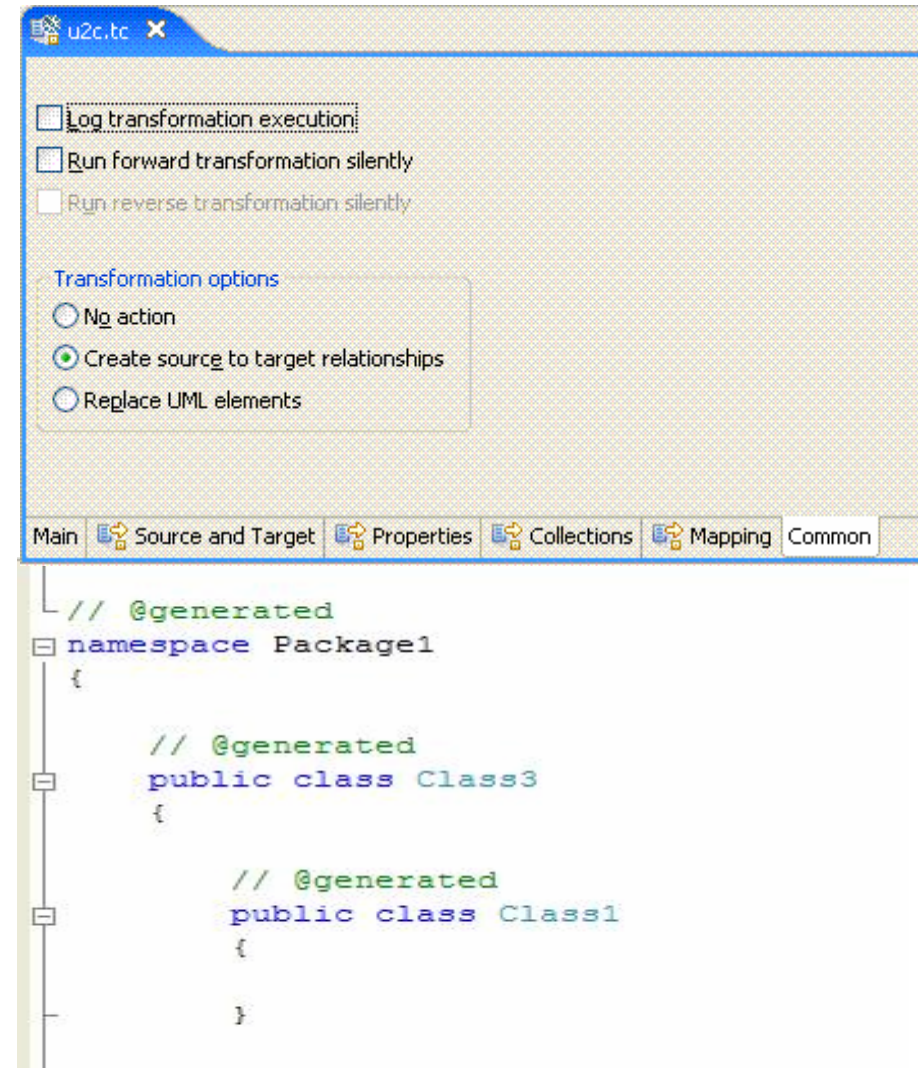


When this is useful

- Clear separation between model and code
- Model is the master but there is no code in the model
- Diagrams, traceability relationships between conceptual and code elements

Generate C# code from UML models

- Create conceptual models in RME .NET using the C# profile.
- Profile provides C# specific stereotypes; for modeling delegates and events, partial classes, generics etc.
- Transformation can be re-applied; preserves code bodies and other user made changes



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XDE Code Model Importer

- Migrate from XDE .NET to RME .NET
- First use XDE Model Importer to import XDE .NET code models
- Then use XDE Code Model Importer to import the associated code. This will:
 - ▶ Apply RME .NET's C# profile to your conceptual model
 - ▶ Add @generated tags to code that was generated by XDE; UML to C# transform can re-apply itself correctly with these tags present
 - ▶ “Replace” framework elements with vized elements
- Now continue with RME .NET and use its features for developing your imported artifacts





Questions





Thank You

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