

The Ghosts of Java Past, Present and Yet To Come

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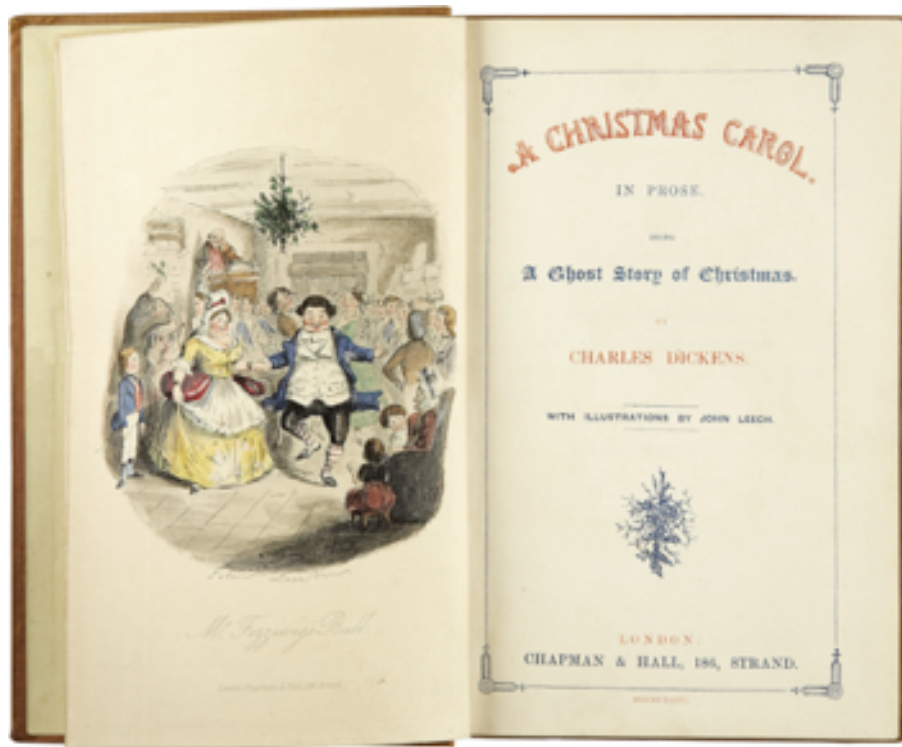




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“It held a branch of fresh green holly in its hand... But the strangest thing about it was, that from the crown of its head there sprung a bright clear jet of light, by which all this was visible; and which was doubtless the occasion of its using, in its duller moments, a great extinguisher for a cap, which it now held under its arm.”





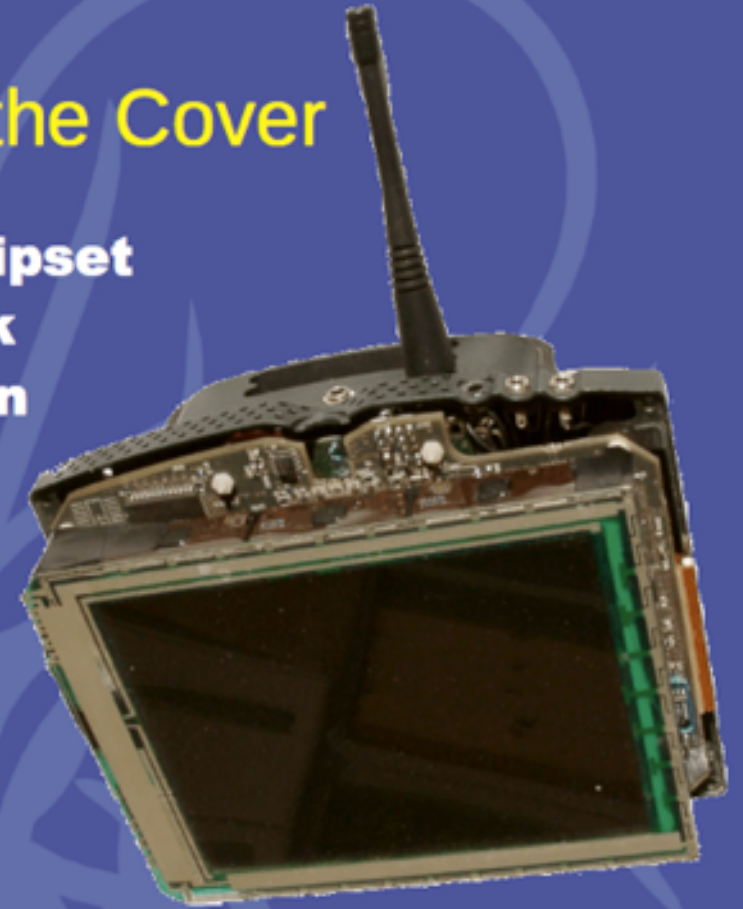
History is the prediction of the present. Historians explain why things turned out the way they did. Since we already know the outcome, this might seem a simple matter of looking back and connecting the dots. But there is a problem: too many dots. Even the dots have dots. Predicting the present is nearly as hard as predicting the future.

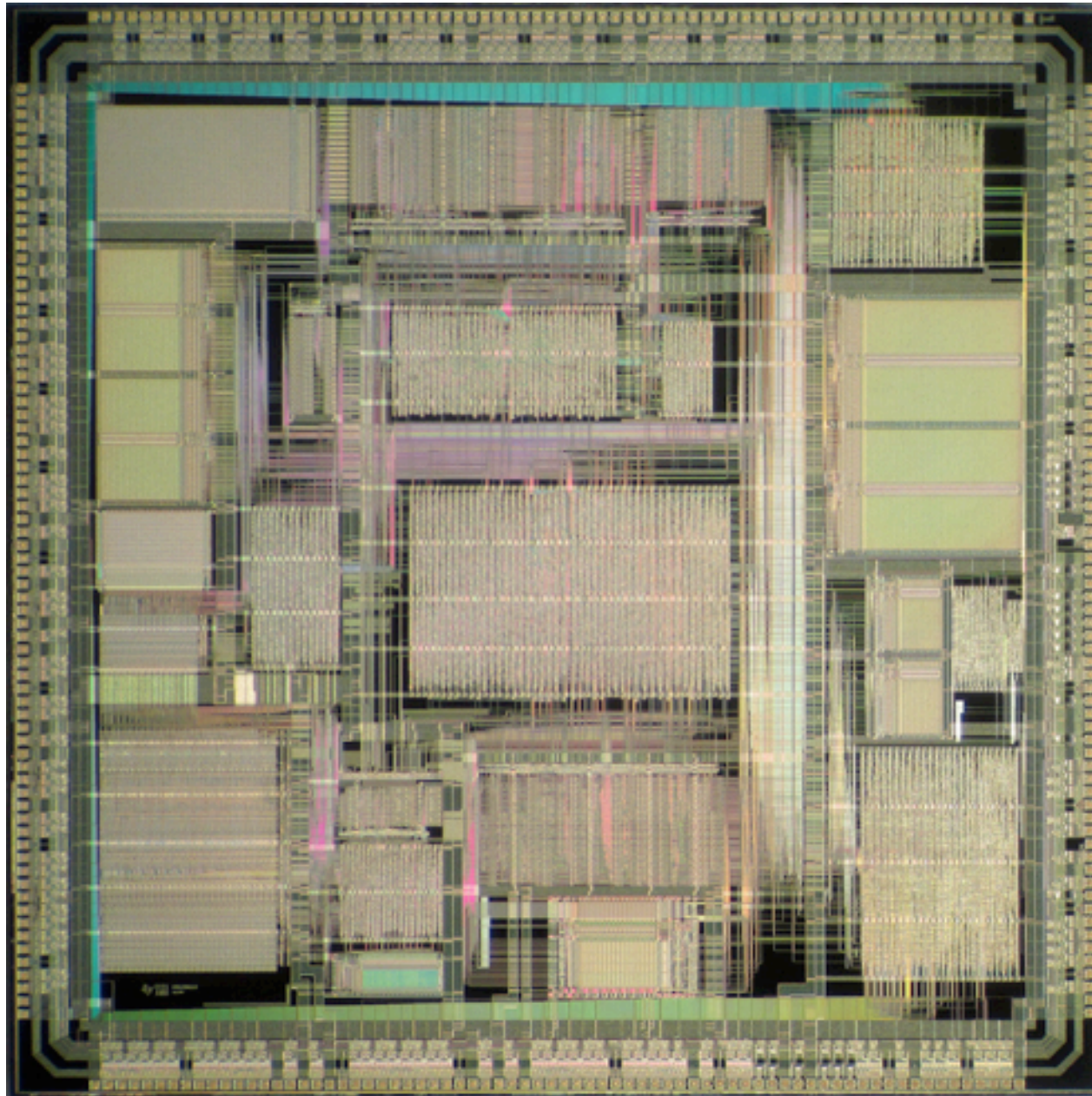
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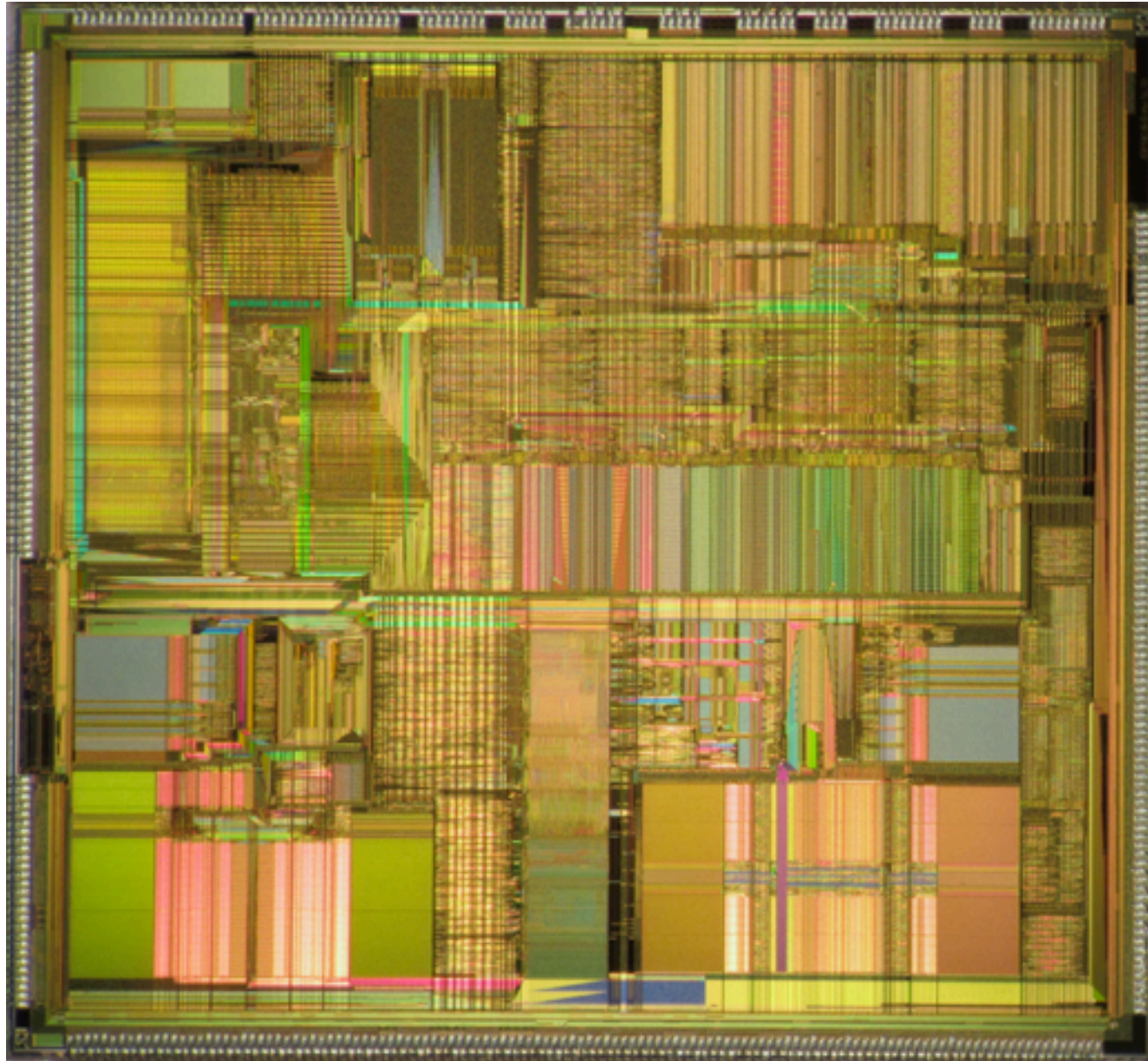


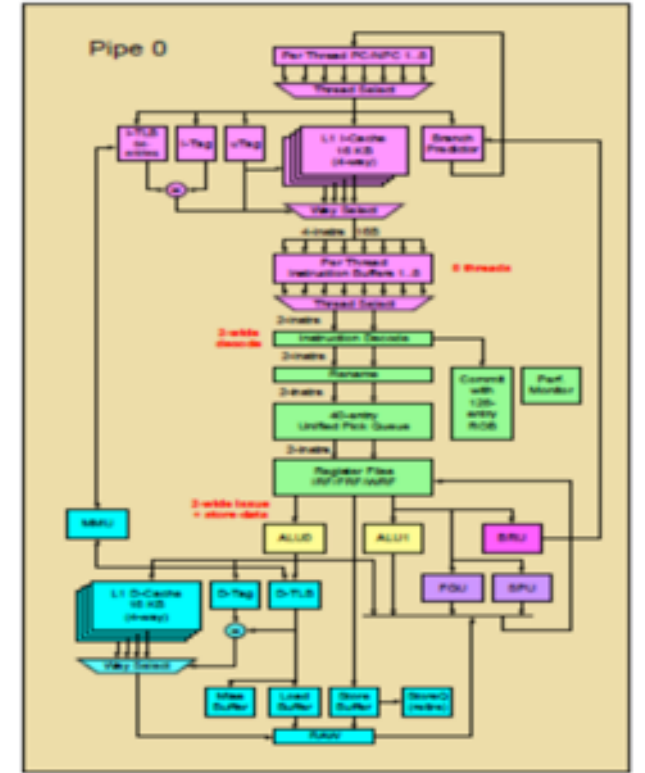
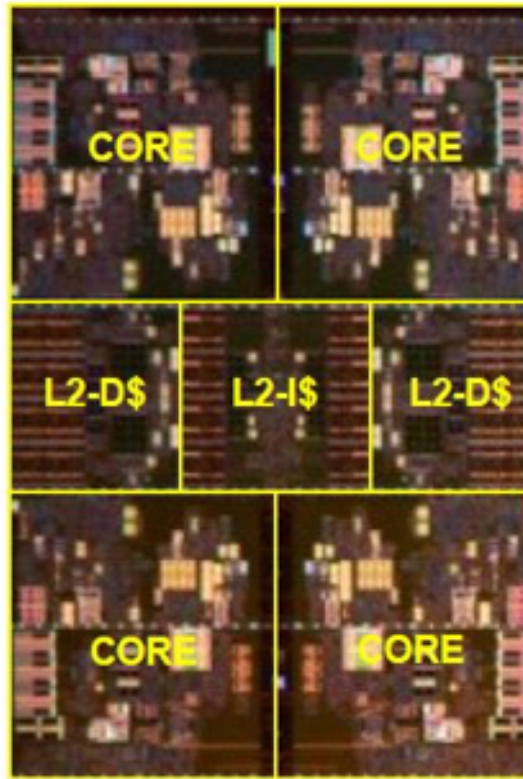
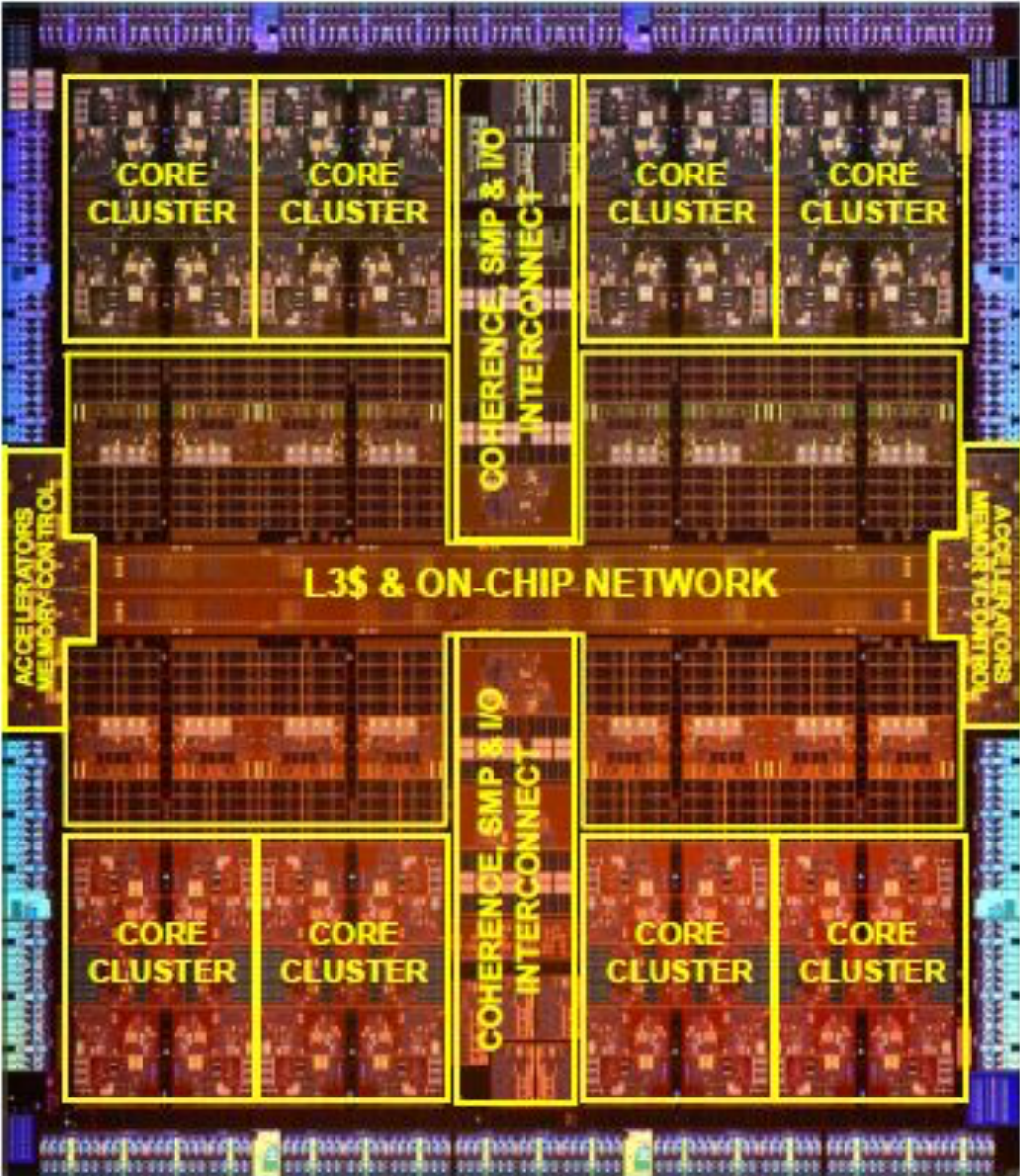
Star7: Under the Cover

- **MicroSPARC chipset**
- **200Kbps RF link**
- **Sharp TV screen**
- **Touchscreen**
- **PCMCIA**
- **4Meg RAM**
- **Flexible board**
- **IR link**





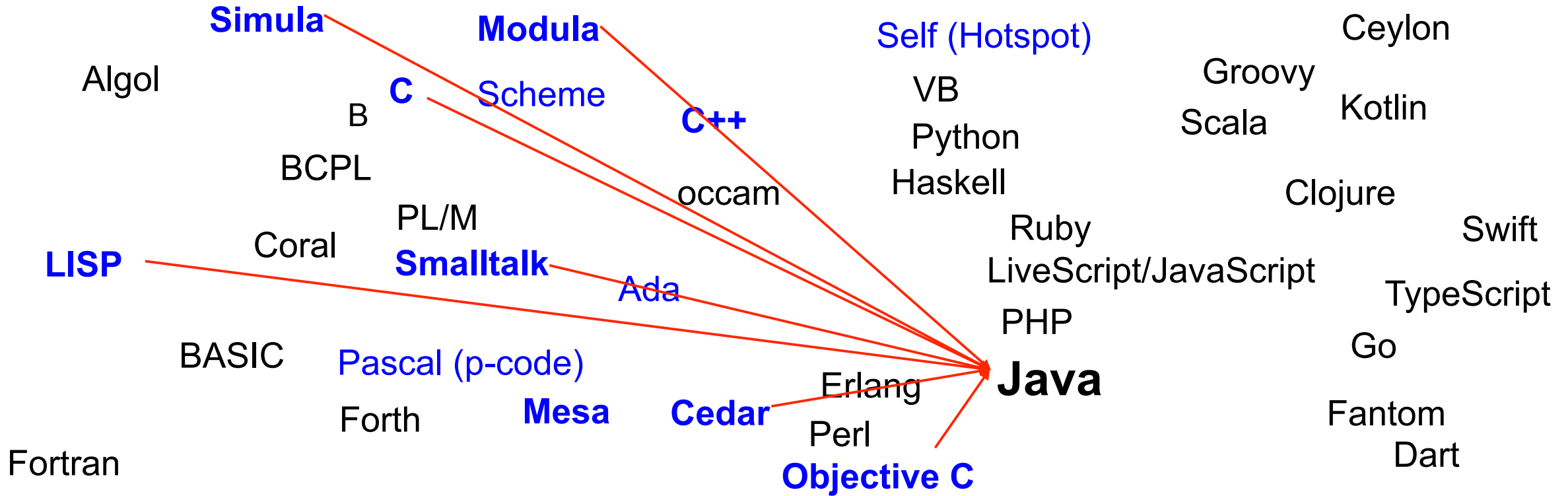




- Dynamically Threaded, 1-8 threads / core
- Concurrent Memory Migration, VA Masking
- Dual Issue OOO execution unit
- 64 Mb L3
- 256K L2 per core cluster
- Crypto acceleration
- ...

(some) Influences on Java

(née GreenTalk/Oak)

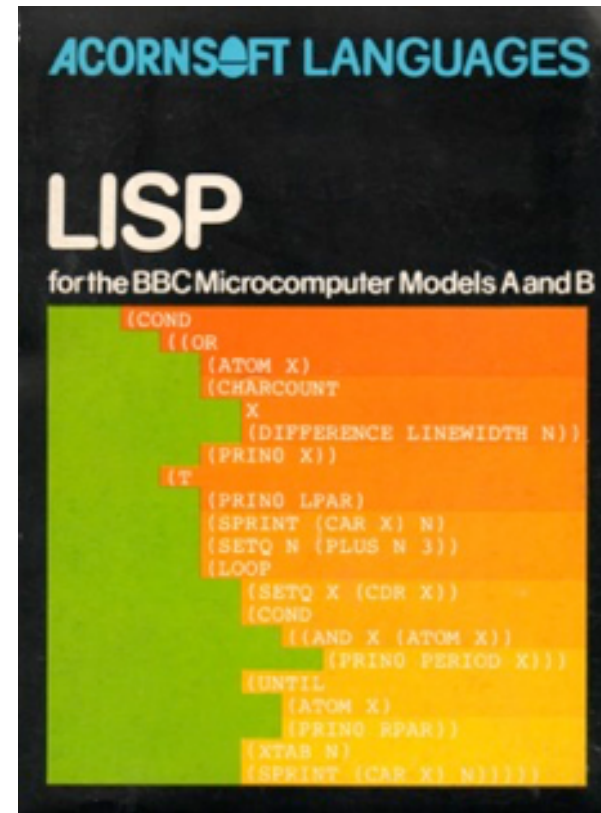
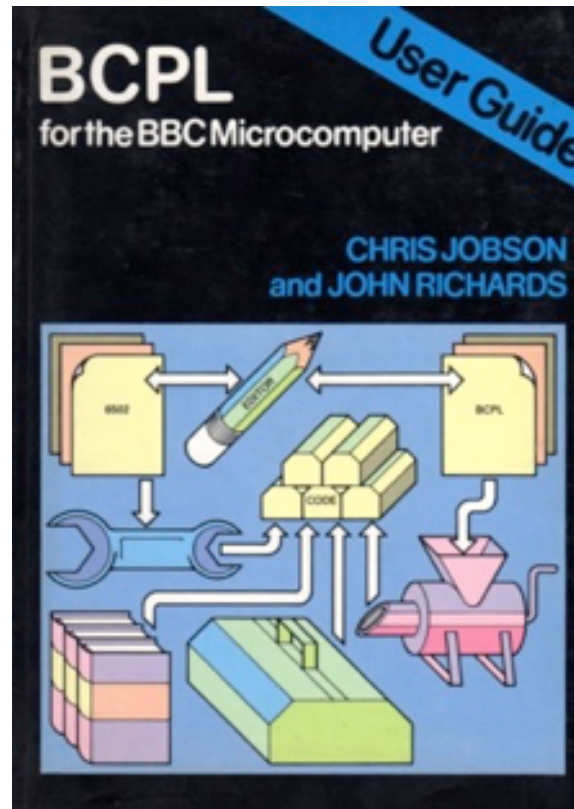


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http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Timeline_of_programming_languages

<http://hopl.murdoch.edu.au/>





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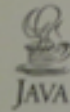
Java: A Dynamic Language

- **Dynamic Linking (a la Lisp)**
 - Load additional classes as needed
 - Will combine with fast, small compiler
- **Automatic Storage Management (a la Lisp)**
 - Garbage collection
 - Interrupting today
 - Pause-free in future implementations
 - Can be conservative or exact...



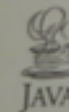
Java: Concurrency, Exceptions

- **Concurrency (a la Mesa)**
 - Built-in threads
 - All packages multithreaded
 - Monitor-based synchronization
- **Exceptions (a la Modula-3)**
 - Catch and throw
 - Hierarchy of exceptions
 - Method must declare what it throws
...and catch everything else
 - Detects missing exception code



Java: Object Facilities

- **Classes (a la C++)**
 - with single implementation inheritance
- **Interfaces (like Objective-C)**
 - with multiple interface inheritance
- **Packages (like Modula)**
 - the unit of development
 - hierarchical and global name space





Ole-Johan Dahl
Kristen Nygaard



LISP



C

Smalltalk



Fortran

Simula

Algo

Self (Hotspot)

Ceylon

Algol

B

ne

VB

Groovy

Kotlin

BCPL

C++

Python

Scala

Coral

PL/M

occam

Haskell

Clojure

Swift

Smalltalk

Ada

Ruby

LiveScript/JavaScript

TypeScript

BASIC

Pascal (p-code)

Mesa

Cedar

Erlang

PHP

Java

Go

Forth

Perl

Objective C

Fantom

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The Ghost in the (Java Virtual) Machine

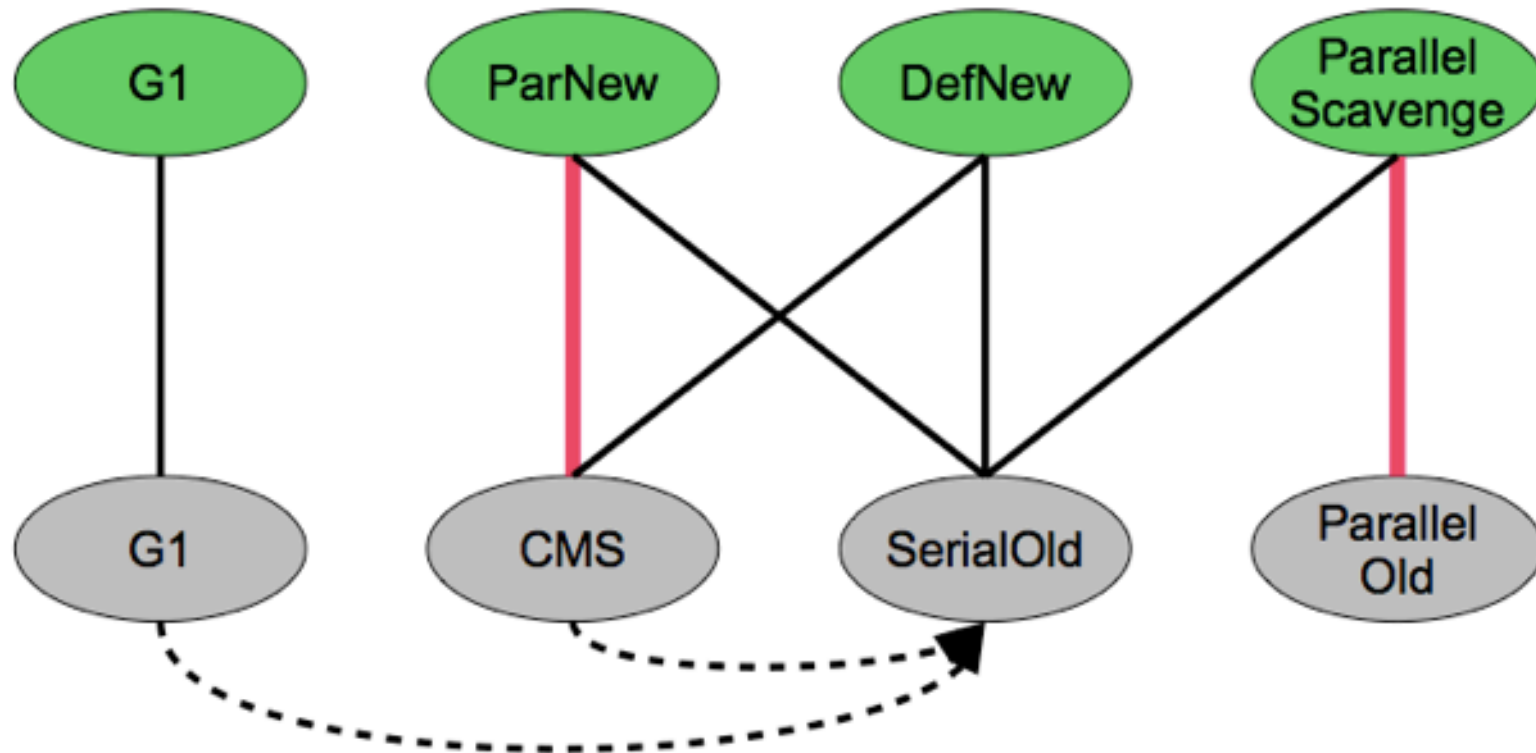


(some) JVMs & GC Collectors

- Oracle
 - HotSpot Serial[Old], Parallel[Old], CMS ~~RTGC~~, G1
Shenendoah (OpenJDK JEP 189)
 - JRockit MSC gen/par/com JRockit Real Time
- IBM
 - J9 thruput, avgpause, gencon Balanced, Metronome
- Azul
 - Zing C4 (née GPGC)
- Jikes (IBM), Maxine (Sun), Squawk (Sun, JavaME-SunSpots), Monty, KVM...

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_Java_virtual_machines

Hotspot Collectors



- XX:+UseSerialGC
- XX:+UseParallelGC
- XX:+UseParallelOldGC
- XX:+UseConcMarkSweepGC
- XX:+UseParNewGC
- XX:+UseG1GC



<http://www.strongtalk.org/history.html>

mark-sweep garbage collection
[McCarthy, 1960]


O-code
(BCPL,
Richards)



P-code

“Most objects die young”
David Ungar - 1984

Multiprocessing compactifying garbage collection

Full Text:  PDF

Author: [Guy L. Steele, Jr.](#) [Harvard Univ., Cambridge, MA](#)

Published in:



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1975 Article



Bibliometrics


- Downloads (6 Weeks): 4
- Downloads (12 Months): 40
- Downloads (cumulative): 779
- Citation Count: 115

A brief history of (some) Java Virtual Machines...

- VM for Oak (1992 – Gosling)
- Sun JDK : Alpha/Beta (1995), 1.0 (1996)
- JIT added in 1.1 (1997)
Cliff Click (later worked on C2 server Compiler)
- Sun acquires Animorphic (1997)
David Ungar, Lars Bak, Urs Hölzle... (Self)
+ David Griswold, Gilad Bracha... (Strongtalk)
- HotSpot released (1999)
add on for 1.2, default in 1.3
- CMS
Printezis/Detlefs (2000)
- G1
Printezis/Flood/Heller (2004)
- RTGC / Java RTS (2009) [not active]
- Appeal Virtual Machines – Stockholm (1998)
Marcus Hirt, Marcus Lagergren...
- Acquired by BEA (2002)
- BEA Acquired by Oracle (2008)
- Dynamic GC
- Deterministic GC (~2005) – JRRT
Eva Andreasson
- JRockit Mission Control (~2007)

A brief history of Java Virtual Machines (contd)

- Azul (2002)
Sellers/Tene/Pillalamarri
- Stephen DeWitt + ex Sun (2004)
- Vega (2004)
- Zing 5 (2010) software only
C4 Collector
- IBM Hursley - Java Technology Center (1996)
- J9 - IBM Ottawa Labs (OTI) 1.4 (2003)
IBM Toronto Labs
- Metronome RT collector (2003)
- Balanced Collector (2011)



Java™ On Steroids: Sun's High-Performance Java Implementation

Urs Hölzle
Lars Bak Steffen Grarup
Robert Griesemer Srdjan Mitrovic

Sun Microsystems



History

- **First Java implementations: interpreters**
 - compact and portable but slow
- **Second Generation: JITs**
 - still too slow
 - long startup pauses (compilation)
- **Third Generation: Beyond JITs**
 - improve both compile & execution time

HotChips IX

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Language Based Virtual Machines *... or why speed matters*

by Lars Bak, Google Inc



The Startup

- *Longview Technologies, 1994-1997*
 - *David Griswold, Gilad Bracha, Urs Hoelzle, Robert Griesemer, Steffen Garup, Srdjan Mitrovic, and me*
- *Startup acquired by Sun 1997*

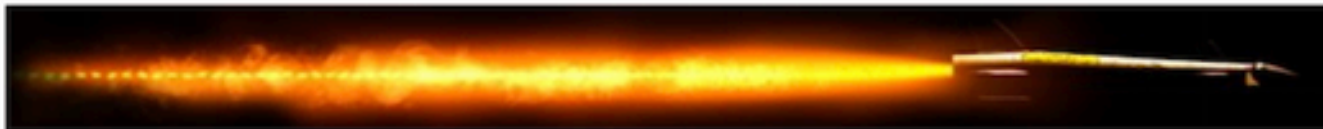
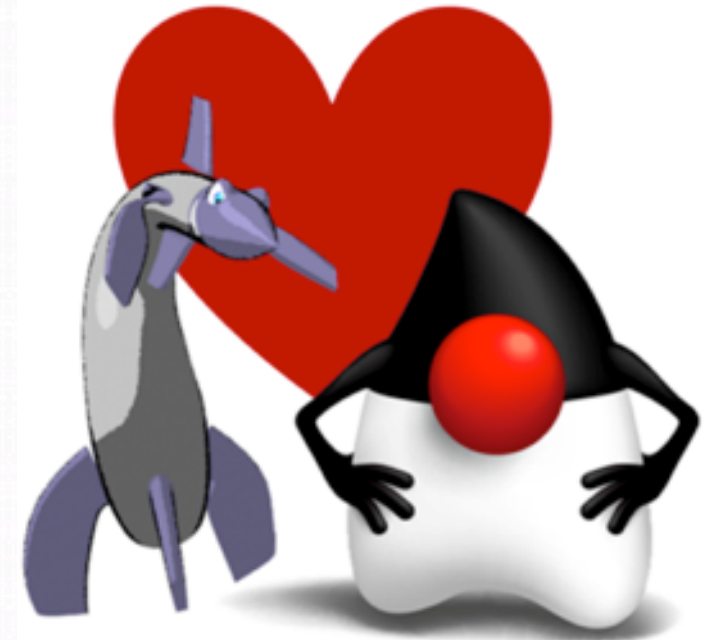
Hotspot

- *Technology*
 - *Based on the Strongtalk VM internals*
 - *Interpreter + simple JIT*
 - *Generational GC*
 - *Fast synchronization*
 - *First implemented with cooperative threads*



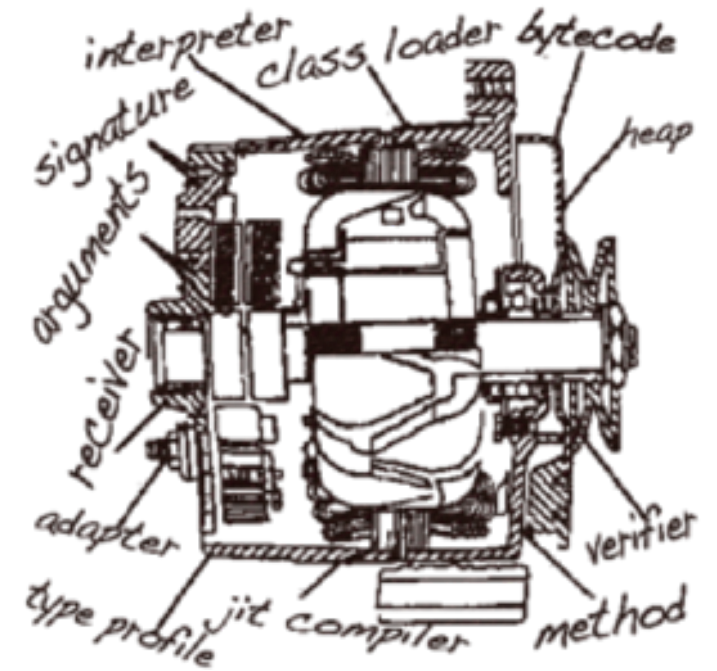
Design Rationales in the JRockit JVM

Marcus Lagergren
Java Language team, Oracle

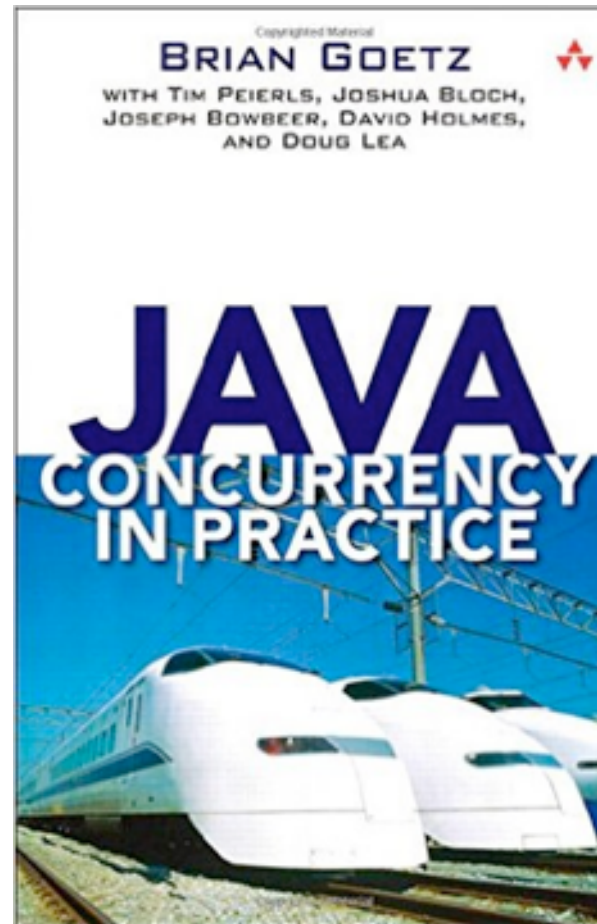


HotSpot / G1

- Permgen removal
 - Density
 - JIT Compilers (C1/C2 Tiered Compilation)
 - GC improvements / G1 / Rationalisation
 - Ergonomics
 - Instrumentation / Tuning / Performance
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- Cloud – Multi-Tenancy. Isolation / Resource Management.
 - AOT Compilation (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Xybzyv8qbOc>)
 - Deterministic GC / Low Latency



Concurrency / Threads / Java Memory Model

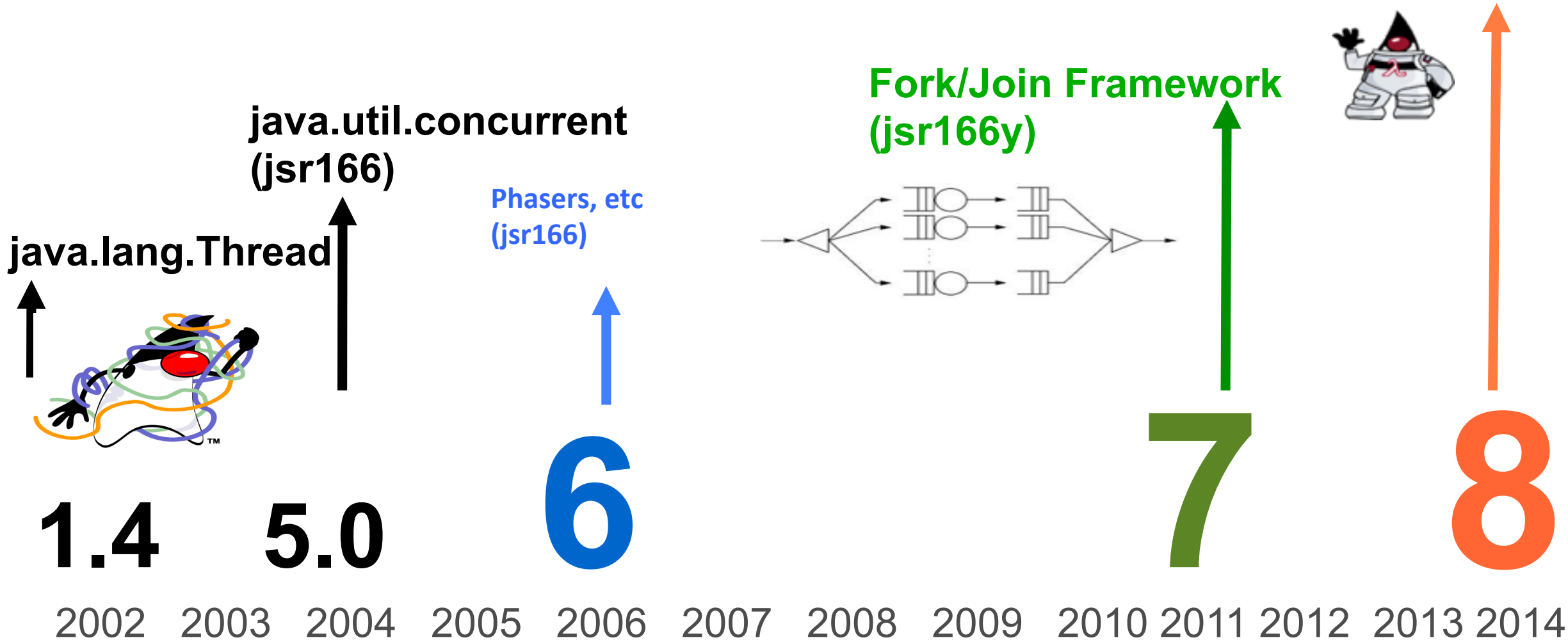




Monitors

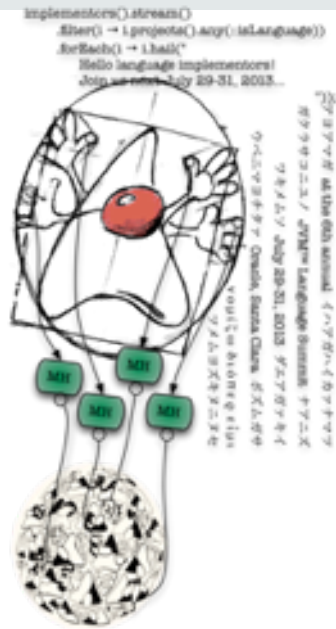
- From Mesa/Cedar, C.F. Hoare
- Allows thread re-entry
- One per object with synchronized methods
- Usage automated through **synchronized** keyword
 - synchronized methods or blocks

Concurrency in Java



Parallelism: Streams and Spliterators

- Java is becoming somewhat more functional in style
- Guess what: so are a lot of other languages
- There seems to be a sort of convergence happening, a consensus on how represent and process collections
- Not surprising: avoiding side effects
- Surprising: use of higher-order functions and lambdas
 - Java dragged a lot of C programmers halfway to Lisp
 - Killer feature: garbage collection (*memory*)
 - Maybe now it will drag them halfway to Haskell?
 - Killer feature: automatic parallelism (*processors*)
- Hurray for JDK8!



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Java Memory Model ...and the pragmatics of it

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<http://shipilev.net/talks/narnia-2555-jmm-pragmatics-en.pdf>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TxqsKzxyySo> (VJUG)

- To serve its purpose, the memory model only needs to answer one simple question:

What values can a particular read in the program return?

Intro: Memory Model is a Trade-Off

How hard it is to use a language?

vs.

How hard it is to build a language implementation?

vs.

How hard it is to build appropriate hardware?

- Sweet new language X can offer tons of juicy features, but will the humanity spend another million years trying to build the high-performance and conforming implementation of it?





JavaOne™
Sun's 2000 Worldwide Java Developer Conference

Correct and Efficient Synchronization of Java™ Technology- based Threads

Doug Lea and William Pugh

<http://gee.cs.oswego.edu>

<http://www.cs.umd.edu/~pugh>

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TS-754, Correct and Efficient Synchronization of Java Threads

<http://www.cs.umd.edu/~pugh/java/memoryModel>

Thread 1	Thread 2
B = 1;	A = 2;
r2 = A;	r1 = B;

Since there is no synchronization, each read can see either the write of the initial value or the write by the other thread. An execution order that displays this behavior is:

```
1: B = 1;
3: A = 2;
2: r2 = A; // sees initial write of 0
4: r1 = B; // sees initial write of 0
```

Another execution order that is happens-before consistent is:

```
1: r2 = A; // sees write of A = 2
3: r1 = B; // sees write of B = 1
2: B = 1;
4: A = 2;
```

In this execution, the reads see writes that occur later in the execution order. This may seem counterintuitive, but is allowed by happens-before consistency. Allowing reads to see later writes can sometimes produce unacceptable behaviors.

JSR 133 (Java Memory Model) FAQ

Jeremy Manson and Brian Goetz, February 2004

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- [How do final fields work under the new JMM?](#)
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- [Does the new memory model fix the "double-checked locking" problem?](#)
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- [Why should I care?](#)

What is a memory model, anyway?

In multiprocessor systems, processors generally have one or more layers of memory cache, which improves performance both by speeding access to data (because the data is closer to the processor) and reducing traffic on the shared memory bus (because many memory operations can be satisfied by local caches.) Memory caches can improve performance tremendously, but they present a host of new challenges. What, for example, happens when two processors examine the same memory location at the same time? Under what conditions will they see the same value?

At the processor level, a memory model defines necessary and sufficient conditions for knowing that writes to memory by other processors are visible to the current processor, and writes by the current processor are visible to other processors. Some processors exhibit a strong memory model, where all processors see exactly the same value for any given memory location at all times. Other processors exhibit a weaker memory model, where special instructions, called memory barriers, are required to flush or invalidate the local processor cache in order to see writes made by other processors or make writes by this processor visible to others. These memory barriers are usually performed when lock and unlock actions are taken; they are invisible to programmers in a high level language.

JEP 188: Java Memory Model Update

Owner Doug Lea
Created 2013/12/16 20:00
Updated 2014/08/18 10:40
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Status Draft
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JSR [TBD](#)
Discussion [jmm dash dev at openjdk dot java dot net](#)
Effort M
Duration XL
Priority 4
Endorsed by Brian Goetz
Issue [8046178](#)
Blocks JEP 193: Variable Handles

Summary

This JEP serves to provide information and guidance for efforts bearing on shared-memory concurrency, including those on Java SE specification updates, JVM concurrency support, JDK components, testing, and tools. Engineering and release efforts in these areas will be subject to other JEPs, that will in turn become components of one or more JSRs targeted for a major release. In particular, Java Language Specification (chapter 17) updates require such a JSR.

JEP 193: Variable Handles

Author Doug Lea
Owner Paul Sandoz
Created 2014/01/06 20:00
Updated 2015/07/23 22:32
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Status Targeted
Component core-libs
Scope SE
JSR [TBD](#)
Discussion [core dash libs dash dev at openjdk dot java dot net](#)
Effort M
Duration L
Priority 2
Reviewed by Dave Dice, Paul Sandoz
Endorsed by Brian Goetz
Release 9
Issue [8046183](#)
Depends JEP 188: Java Memory Model Update

Summary

Define a standard means to invoke the equivalents of `java.util.concurrent.atomic` and `sun.misc.Unsafe` operations upon object fields and array elements.

The OpenJDK Revised Java Memory Model

Posted by [Monica Beckwith](#) on May 31, 2015 | [3 Discuss](#)

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The traditional Java Memory Model covers a lot in Java language semantic guarantees. In this article we will highlight a few of those semantics and provide a deeper understanding of them. We will also attempt to communicate the motivation for an update to the existing Java Memory Model (JMM) with respect to the semantics described in this article. Discussion related to this future update to JMM will be referred to as JMM9 in this article.

Java Memory Model

The existing Java Memory Model, as was defined in JSR 133 (henceforth referred to as JMM-JSR133) specifies consistency models for shared memory and also helps provide definitions for developers so that they can be consistent in representing the JMM-JSR133. The goal of the JMM-JSR133 specification was to ensure that the definition of the semantics for threads

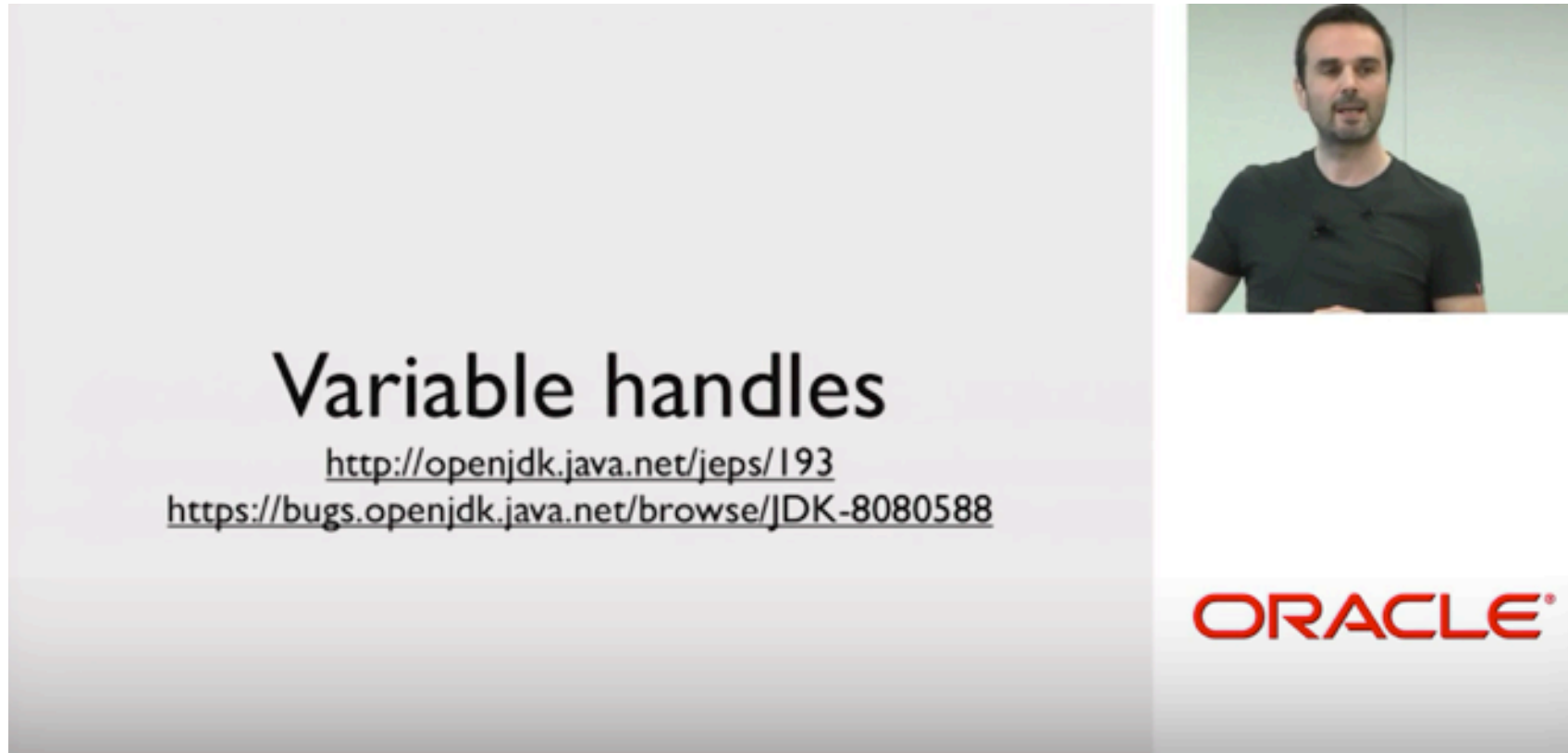
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VarHandles (nee enhanced volatiles)

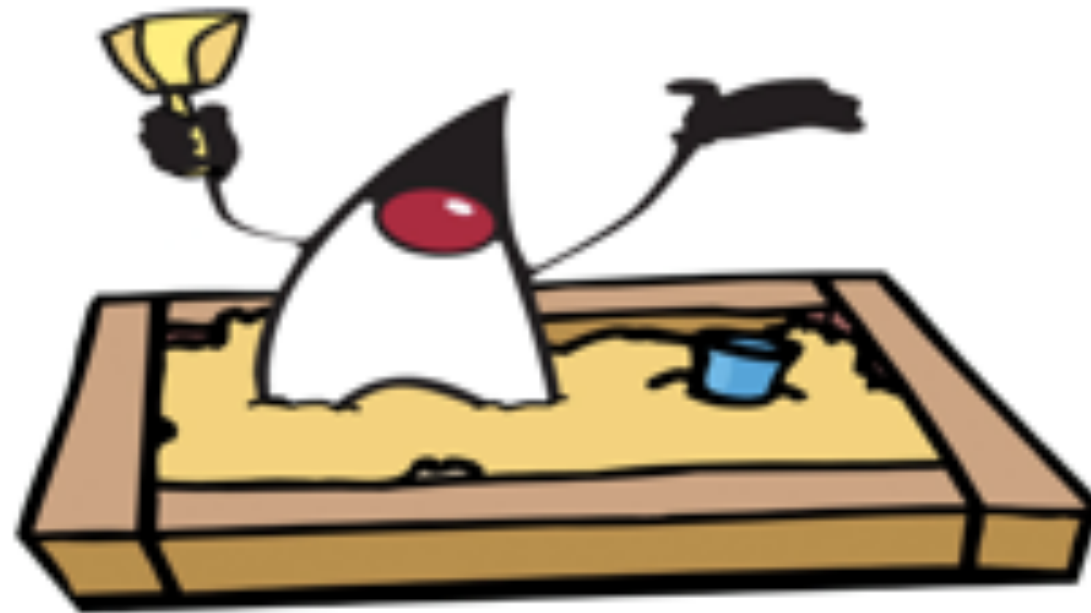
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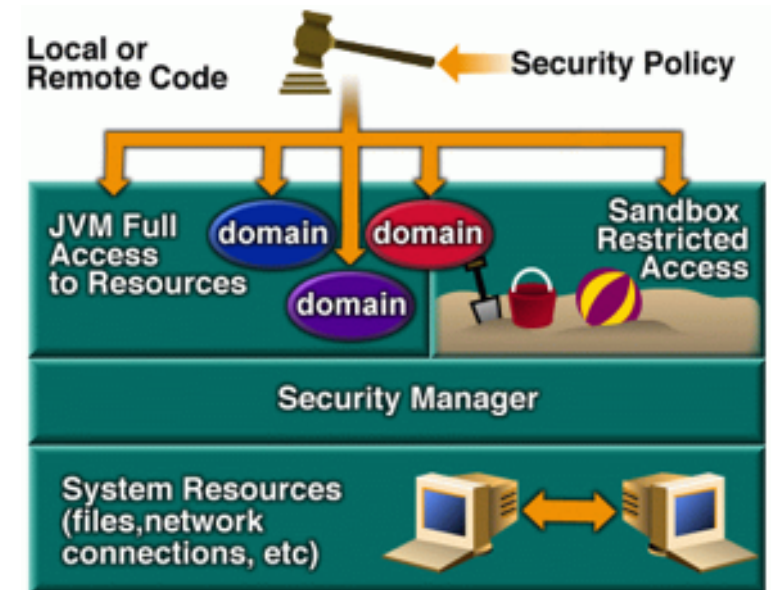
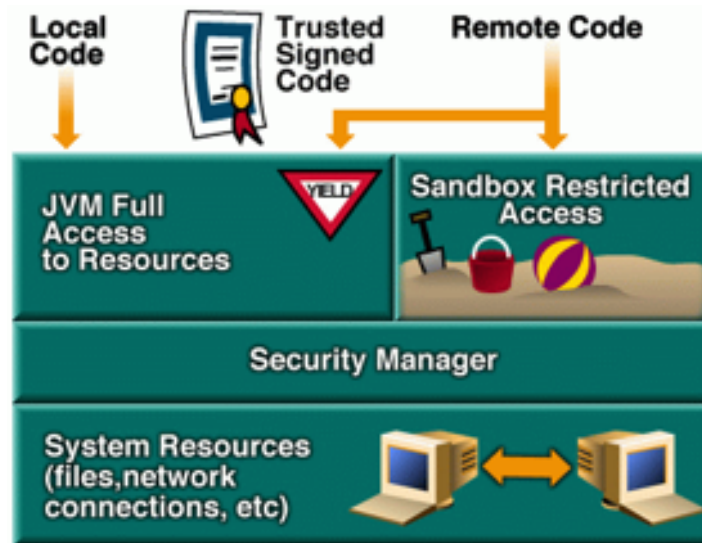
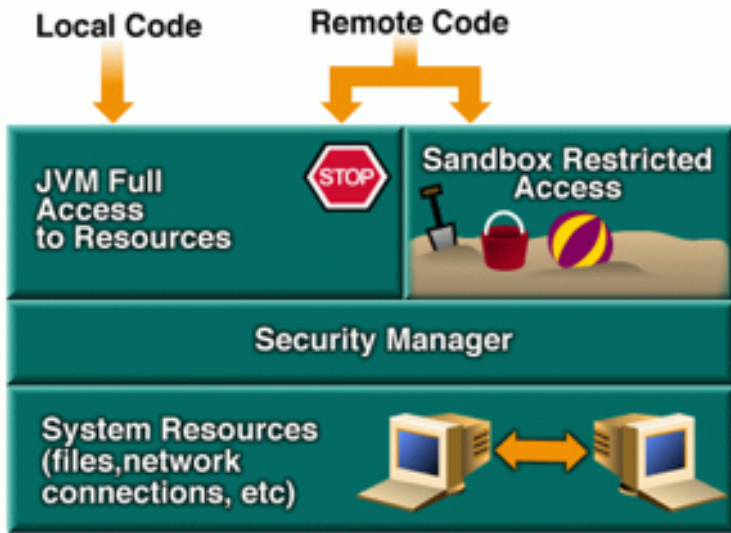
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Security





Difficult technical problems and tough business challenges.

BY LI GONG

Java Security Architecture Revisited

THE JAVA PLATFORM JDK 1.0 was released in 1995 with a simplistic all-or-nothing “sandbox” security model. Li Gong joined the JavaSoft division of Sun Microsystems in 1996 and led the redesign of the security architecture that was first released in 1998 as JDK 1.2 and is now deployed on numerous systems and devices from the desktop to enterprise and mobile versions of Java.

This article looks back at a few of the most difficult technical problems from a design and engineering perspective, as well as some tough business

Although security architects are not “in business,” it is important that they are clear about who their customers are. They rarely build directly for individual end users, who do not directly use the operating system, although they are often the eventual beneficiaries.

Most of the work of a security architect is targeted at application programmers, and Java is no exception. Here the design goal is to help programmers get what is intended out of their code—more specifically, to make the most common cases the easiest to write and get right, and to reduce the risk of coding mistakes or bugs. As such, the four attributes of the Java security architecture¹ should generally apply:

- ▶ **Usability.** To be ubiquitous and accepted in the marketplace, the architecture must be easy to use and suitable for writing a wide variety of applications.

- ▶ **Simplicity.** To inspire confidence in the correctness of the architecture, it must be easy to understand the critical design properties and to analyze the implementation.

- ▶ **Adequacy.** The architecture must contain all essential features and building blocks for supporting higher-level security requirements.

- ▶ **Adaptability.** The design must evolve with ease, following demand and market reality. In particular, it should avoid overprescribing that restricts programmability.

In hindsight, having these guiding principles in place was crucial. In the original JDK 1.0, the security

Java Security

- Java Language Security and Bytecode Verification
- Security APIs and Libraries
 - Cryptography: JCA/JCE
 - Public-Key Infrastructure (PKI): Certificates, CertPaths
 - Authentication: JAAS, Kerberos
 - Secure Communication: JSSE (SSL/TLS), GSS-API, SASL
 - Access Control: Security Manager, Policy, JAAS
 - XML Signature
- Tools: jarsigner, keytool

Asset: Java Runtime.

Concern: Work on upgrade.

JDeps

Find where your code and dependencies use undocumented internal APIs.

Change to supported APIs.

<https://wiki.openjdk.java.net/display/JDK8/Java+Dependency+Analysis+Tool>

Maybe upgrade some libraries.



<https://wiki.openjdk.java.net/display/quality/Quality+Outreach>

Asset: Java Runtime.

Concern: Client technology.



Web Start and/or Applet

Most JavaOne attendees are probably writing server applications and not using this anyways.

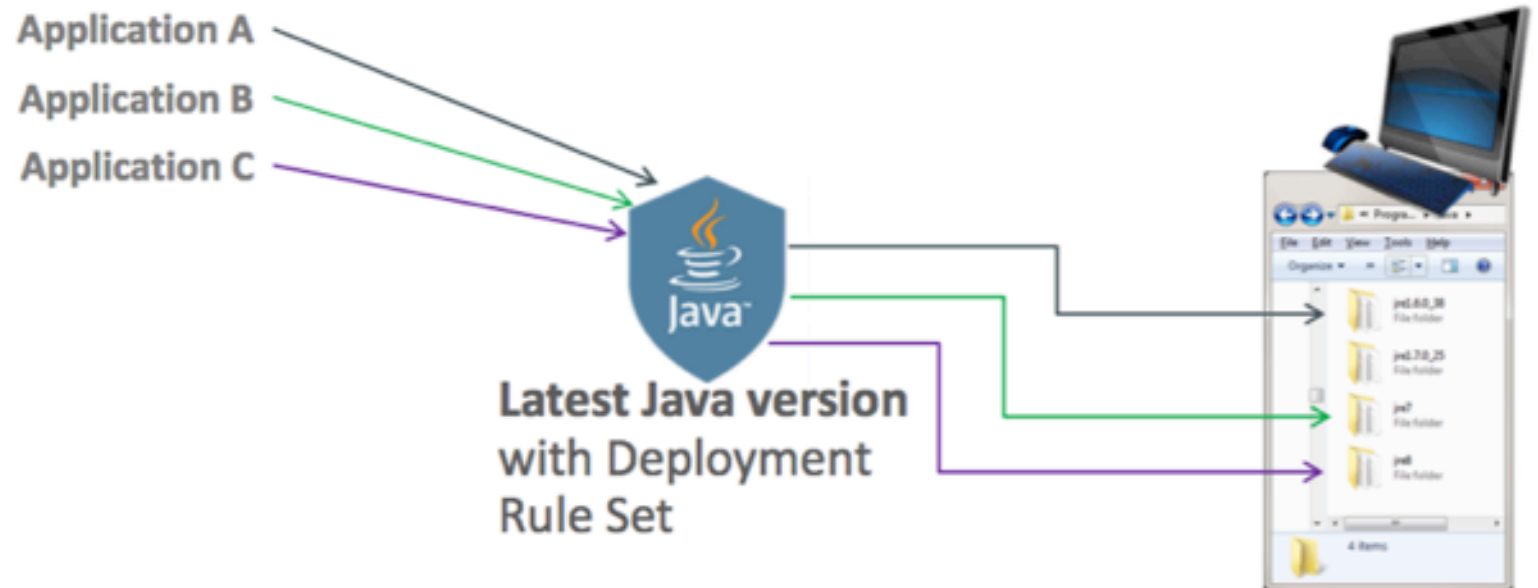
If you use the Server JRE, it's not even there.

Or just turn it off in the control panel.



If you do use client: **Deployment Rule Set**

- Security of current JRE, compatibility with older versions.
- Can control dialogs.
- Can default-block.



Reduce Attack Surface: Compact Profiles (JDK 8) and Jigsaw (JDK 9, future)

- **Asset:** My application / runtime.
- **Threat:** Unknown future risk.
- **Mitigation:** Remove unused pieces.
- **Difficulty:** Removing things you do need breaks your own program.

JDK 8 (embedded):

Regular JRE: See conceptual diagram. About 163MB.

Compact 3: Remove graphics, CORBA, and sound. About 21MB.

Compact 2: No Kerberos and JMX monitoring. About 15MB.

Compact 1: No JDBC and XML. About 11MB.

JDK 9 Security Features

<http://openjdk.java.net/jeps/0>

- JEP 219: Datagram Transport Layer Security (DTLS)
- JEP 229: Create PKCS12 Keystores by Default
- JEP 232: Improve Secure Application Performance
- JEP 244: TLS Application-Layer Protocol Negotiation Extension
- JEP 246: Leverage CPU Instructions for GHASH and RSA
- JEP 249: OCSP Stapling for TLS
- JEP 273: DRBG-Based SecureRandom Implementations

Distributed Java

The Eight Fallacies of Distributed Computing

Peter Deutsch

Essentially everyone, when they first build a distributed application, makes the following eight assumptions. All prove to be false in the long run and all cause *big* trouble and *painful* learning experiences.

1. The network is reliable
2. Latency is zero
3. Bandwidth is infinite
4. The network is secure
5. Topology doesn't change
6. There is one administrator
7. Transport cost is zero
8. The network is homogeneous

c 1994 (via James Gosling's old blog)



IIOP
(1996)

RMI
(1996)

DCOM
(1996)

RMI-IIOP



Project
JXTA

(2001)

Web Services

SOAP
(1998)

SSL / TLS
(1995) (1999)

REST
(2000 - http1.1 1996-1999)

MQQT/COAP
XMPP etc



WebSockets
(2011)

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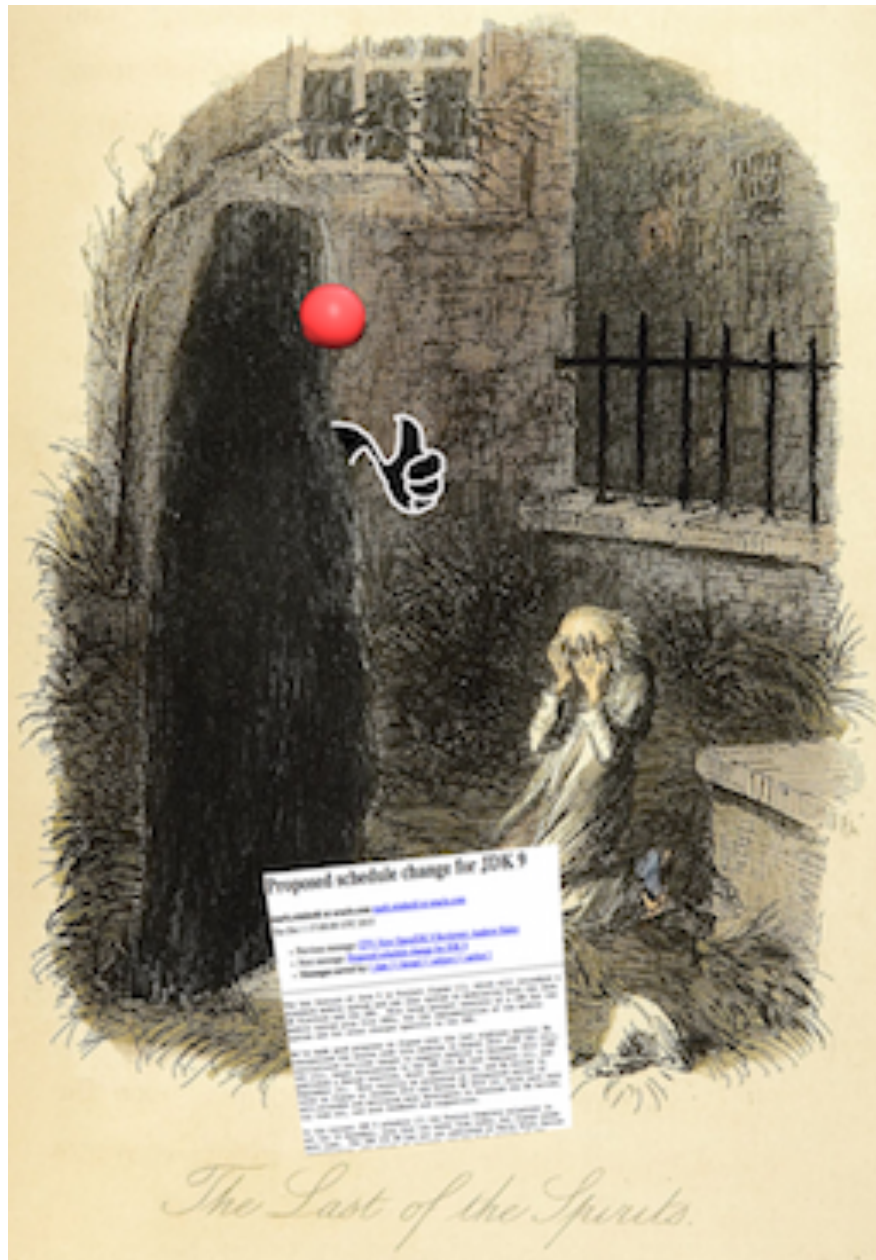
#1 Development Platform,
Now in the
Cloud

#Java20





The Last of the Spirits.



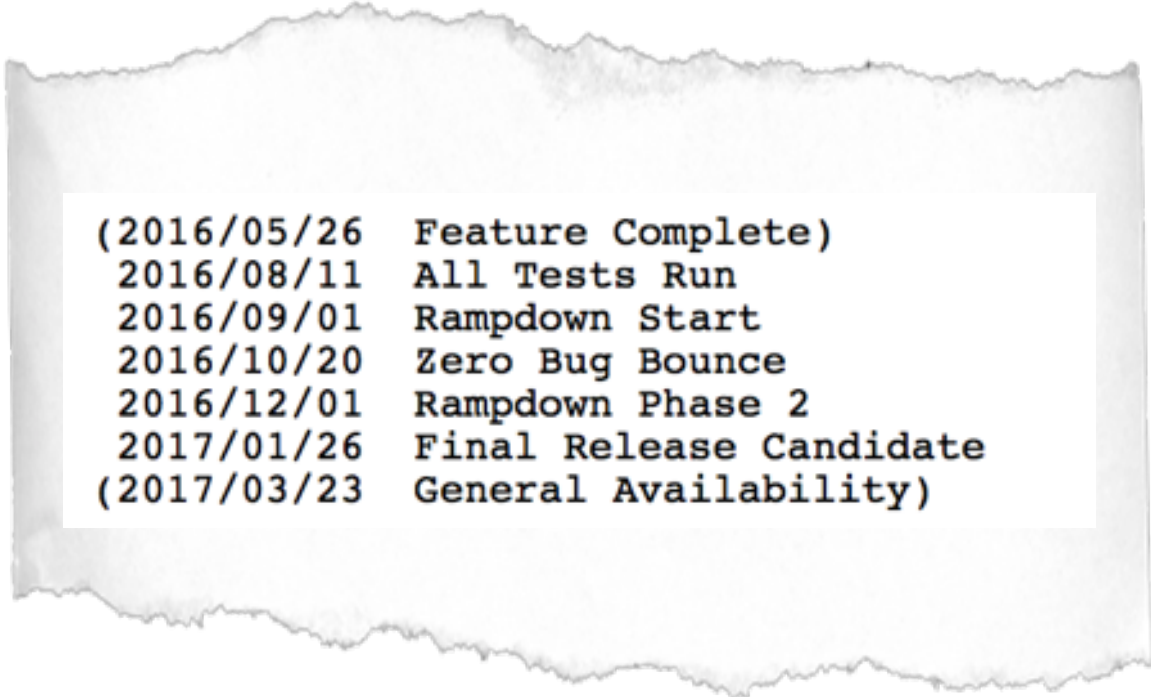
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Roadmap Update

Updated version post talk on 8th Dec.

<http://mail.openjdk.java.net/pipermail/jdk9-dev/2015-December/003237.html>



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<http://openjdk.java.net/projects/jdk9>

<https://wiki.openjdk.java.net/display/Adoption/JDK+9+Outreach>

JDK 9 release schedule

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2015/12/1 9:08 -0800, [mark.reinhold at oracle.com](mailto:mark.reinhold@oracle.com):

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> ...
>
> For these reasons I hereby propose a six-month extension of the JDK 9
> schedule, moving the Feature Complete (FC) milestone to 25 May 2016, the
> General Availability (GA) milestone to 23 March 2017, and adjusting the
> interim milestones accordingly.
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> ...
>
> Comments on this proposal from JDK 9 Committers are welcome, as are
> reasoned objections. If no such objections are raised by 18:00 UTC next
> Tuesday, 8 December, or if they're raised and satisfactorily answered,
> then per the JEP 2.0 process proposal [8] this will be adopted as the
> new schedule for JDK 9.
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Hearing no objections, I've recorded the new FC and GA dates on the JDK 9 Project page [1]. (The FC date has been rounded up to 2016/5/26 so that all milestones fall on Thursdays, as usual.)

Here are the proposed dates for the interim milestones:

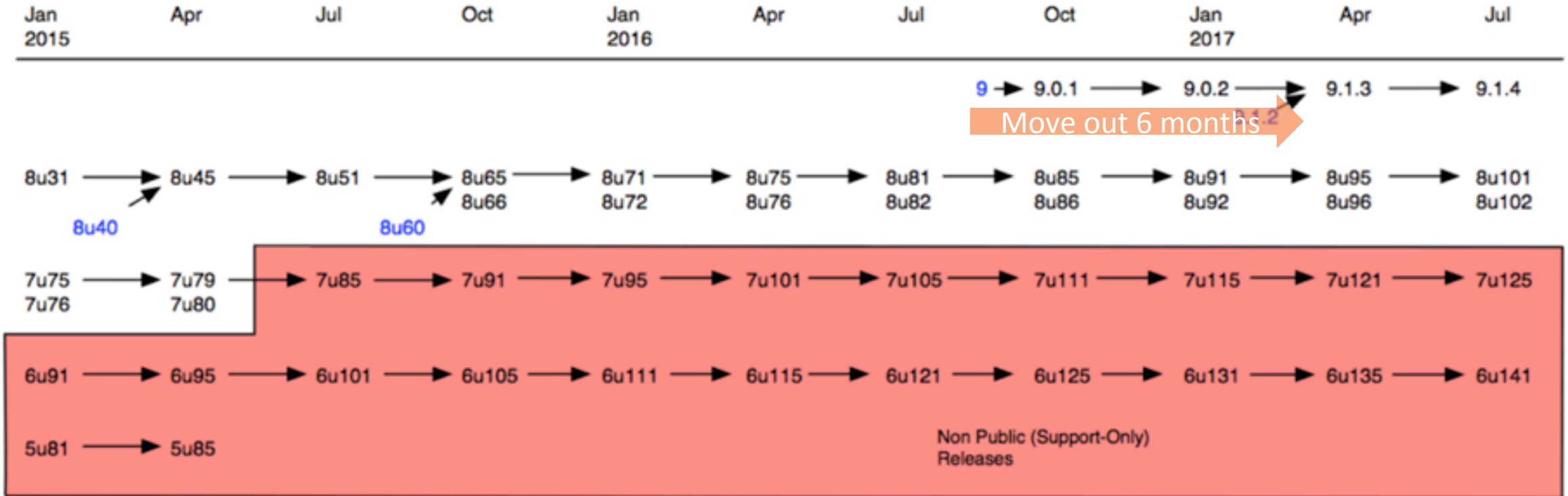
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I didn't include the interim milestones in the initial proposal, so I'll leave them open for discussion under the same terms until 23:30 UTC next Wednesday, 16 December.

- Mark

Next Feature Release: JDK 9 – ~~2016-09-22~~ 23rd March 2016

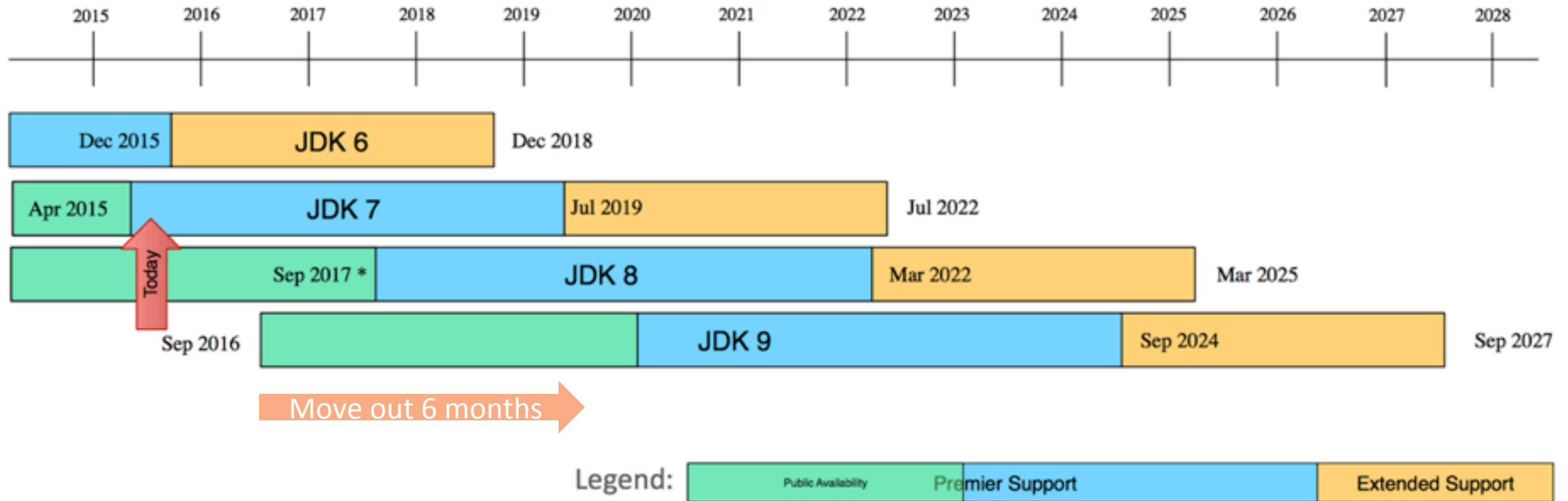
Periodic security fixes and bug fixes for all releases until then



Last reviewed on 2015/10

All future release dates subject to change

Current Releases – Support Period



Java

End of Public Updates (EoPU)

- Public Java updates are available until all three of these conditions occur
 - Three years after general availability
 - **One year after being superseded by a new major release**
 - **Six months after the new major release is made the default on java.com**

Post Java 9

• **Project Valhalla**

<http://openjdk.java.net/projects/valhalla>

- Value Types – aggregates without identity
<http://cr.openjdk.java.net/~jrose/values/values-0.html>
- Specialization – templated types on demand
<http://cr.openjdk.java.net/~briangoetz/valhalla/specialization.html>
- JMM Update – VarHandles

• **Project Panama**

<http://openjdk.java.net/projects/panama>

- Arrays 2.0 – flexible array implementation and organization
- Layouts – flexible object layout
- FFI (JEP 191) – better native code interop

<http://mail.openjdk.java.net/pipermail/valhalla-dev>

<http://mail.openjdk.java.net/pipermail/panama-dev>



John Rose @ JVM language summit July 2014

<http://www.oracle.com/technetwork/java/javase/community/jlssessions-2255337.html>

JVM pain points (from “Evolving the JVM”, [JVMLS 2014](#))

Pain Point	Tools & Workarounds	Upgrade Possibilities
Names (method, type)	mangling to Java identifiers	unicode IDs ✓1.5/JSR-202, structured names
Invocation (mode, linkage)	reflection, intf. adapters	indy/MH/CS ✓1.7/JSR-292, tail-calls, basic blocks
Type definition	static gen., class loaders	specialization, value types
Application loading	JARs & classes, JIT compiler	Jigsaw, AOT compilation
Concurrency	threads, synchronized	Streams ✓1.8/JSR-335, Sumatra (GPU), fibers
(Im-)Mutability	final fields, array encap.	VarHandles, JMM, frozen data
Data layout	objects, arrays	Arrays 2.0, value types, FFI
Native code libraries	JNI	Panama

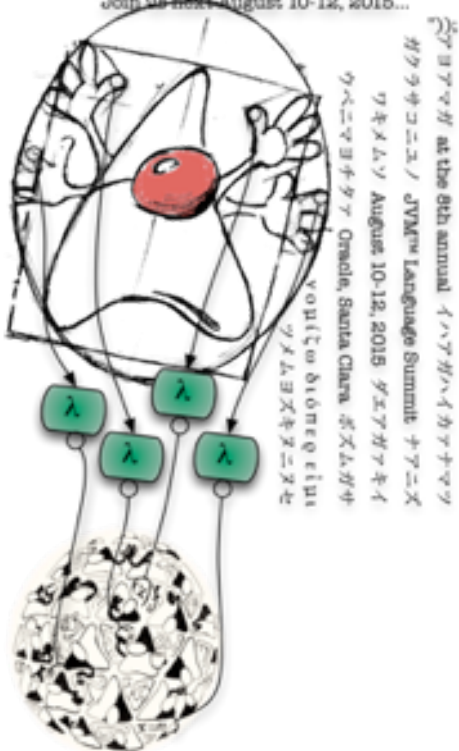
+ sun.misc.Unsafe





What should the JVM look like in 20 years? (eight not-so-modest goals)

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implementors().stream()
    .filter(i -> i.projects().any(::isLanguage))
    .forEach(i -> i.hail("
Hello language implementors!
Join us next August 10-12, 2015..."))
```



- Uniform model: Objects, arrays, values, types, methods “feel similar”
- Memory efficient: tunable data layouts, naturally local, pointer-thrifty
- Optimizing: Shared code mechanically customized to each hot path
- Post-threaded: Routine confinement/immaturity, granular concurrency
- Interoperable: Robust integration with non-managed languages
- Broadly useful: Safely and reliably runs most modern languages.
- Compatible: Runs 30-year-old dusty JARs.
- Performant: Gets the most out of major CPUs and systems.





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- JVM Language Summit

- <http://openjdk.java.net/projects/mlvm/jvmlangsummit>

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