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Modern Staged Dependency Injection for Scala

Modular Functional Programming
with
Context Minimization
through
Garbage Collection

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DI is outdated and doesn't compose with FP?

Many Scala folks think that:

1. DI is heavy and slow
   - *"tests start longer than they run"*
2. DI is unsafe
   - *"my program compiled but failed at runtime after a huge delay"*
3. DI doesn't work with FP
   - *"we cannot inject* `IO[_, _]` *into* `Repository[_[_, _]]`*"*
4. DI is full of magic and error-prone
   - *"I've read 80% of the 5000-page Spring manual but still don't understand why I need to put these 12 annotations here. I've tried Guice but it failed with 10-megabyte stacktrace after five minutes and 300 retries of database connection initialization"*

TLDR

```scala
import distage._, scalaz.zio.IO

trait Repository[F[_, _]]
class ProductionRepository[F[_, _]] extends Repository[F]
class DummyRepository[F[_, _]] extends Repository[F]
class App[F[_, _]](repository: Repository[F]) { def run = ??? }

class MyAppProd[F[_, _]] extends ModuleDef {
  make[Repository[F]].from[ProductionRepository[F]]
  make[App[F]]
}
class Main[F[_, _]] { def main(args: Array[String]) = {
  Injector()
    .produceF[F](new MyAppProd[F], roots = Set(DIKey.get[App[F]]))
    .use(_.get[App[F]])
}}
object Main[IO]
```

distage: overview

1. Staging: *plan work ahead of time*,
2. Garbage Collection: *instantiate reachable instances only*,
3. Higher-Kinded Types: *use typeclasses & parametricity*,
4. Lifecycle: *inject any cats.effect.Resource[F, A]*,
5. Plan introspection: *graphviz, text dump, dependency trees*,
6. Plan rewriting,
7. Sets: *collect listeners, hooks, routes...*
8. Roles: *multiple services in one process*,
9. Dynamic Plugins[2] and Testkit,
10. Circular Dependencies support,
11. Auto-Traits and Auto-Factories[1],

[1] Run-time or compile-time generation
[2] Run-time with compile-time verification

Garbage Collection for better and faster tests

1. Define all your test and production dependencies as a flat list,
2. Put discrimination tags on test-specific definitions,
3. Only the instances required for your tests will be instantiated,
4. Creation takes microseconds, not like in Spring,
5. $\Rightarrow$ Significant savings on test startup time.
6. You don't need to setup your context, it's done automatically by Plugin Loader and Garbage Collector,
7. $\Rightarrow$ Significant savings on test setup boilerplate.

Example: Garbage Collection and tests

```
class ProductionRepository[F[_, _]] extends Repository[F]
class DummyRepository[F[_, _]] extends Repository[F]

class MyAppPlugin extends PluginDef {
  make[Repository[IO]].from[ProductionRepository[IO]]
  make[Repository[IO]].tagged("test").from[DummyRepository[IO]]
}
class RepoTest extends DistagePluginSpec {
  "repository" must {
    "work correctly" in diIO {
      (repository: Repository[IO]) => // `repository` is GC root
      // Repository is DummyRepository - "test" tag prioritized
      // ProductionRepository will not be instantiated!
      for { kv  <- randomIO[KeyValue]
            _   <- repository.put(kv)
            kv2 <- repository.get(kv.key)
      } yield assert(kv == kv2)
}}}
```

Garbage Collection for deployment: flexible monoliths

We may fuse Microservices with Monoliths keeping *all* their benefits:

1. Develop software components (*Roles*[1]) separately, even in multirepo,
2. Each Role is a Garbage Collection Root,
3. Build a single Docker image with multiple Roles in it,
4. Pass Roles you want to start as commandline parameters,
5. ⇒ higher computation density, savings on infrastructure,
6. ⇒ *substantial* development simplification: full platform environment can be started on a low-end machine with one command,

```
server1# docker run company/product +analytics
server2# docker run company/product +accounting +users
developer1# docker run company/product +*
developer2# docker run company/product --dummy-repositories +*
```

Effectful creation

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Lifecycle

Global resources are a fact of life:

1. Connection pools, thread pools
2. Servers and external endpoints
3. Configurations, metrics, heartbeats
4. External log sinks

They must be managed by DI to create reusable components.

They must be closed properly after integration tests. We must not set them up anew in every test.

A myriad of global resources may be started by an application. Many of them will have to be started for integration tests.

```
import org.http4s.client._
import org.http4s.client.blaze._

class BlazeClientModule[F[_]: TagK: ConcurrentEffect] extends Modul
  make[Client[F]].fromResource { ec: ExecutionContext =>
    BlazeClientBuilder[F](ec).resource
```

Config support

distage has HOCON configuration extension.

```scala
case class HostPort(host: String, port: Int)

class HttpServer(@ConfPath("http.listen") listenOn: HostPort) {
  // ...
}
```

The extension:

1. Enumerates all the missing references in a Plan,
2. Searches them for a specific `@ConfPath` annotation,
3. Tries to find corresponding sections in config source,
4. Extends plan with config values,
5. ⇒ Config values are parsed before instantiation begins,
6. ⇒ Problems are shown quickly and all at once,
7. ⇒ Compile-time plugin checker validates config.

Dynamic Plugins

Just drop your modules into your classpath:

```scala
class AccountingModule extends PluginDef {
  make[AccountingService].from[AccountingServiceImpl]
  // ...
}
```

Then you may pick up all the modules and build your context:

```scala
val plugins = new PluginLoaderDefaultImpl(
  PluginConfig(Seq("com.company.plugins"))
).load()
// ... pass loaded modules to Injector
```

1. Useful while you are prototyping your app,
2. In maintenance phase you may switch to static configuration.

Circular dependencies

1. Supported via `Proxies`,
2. Cyclic by-name parameters (`class C(param: => P)`) will work without proxies,
3. Circular dependency support can be disabled.

Limitations:

1. You cannot use an injected parameter immediately during initii,
2. You cannot use non-by-name circular dependencies with final classes,

Trait Completion

```scala
trait UsersService {
  protected def repository: UsersRepo

  def add(user: User): Unit = {
    repository.put(user.id, user)
  }
}
```

We may bind this trait directly, without an implementation class:

```scala
make[UsersService]
```

1. Corresponding class will be generated[1] by `distage`,
2. Abstract defs will be wired with values from the object graph,

[1] both runtime and compile-time cogen supported

Assisted Injection (Factory Methods)

```scala
class UserActor(sessionId: UUID, sessionRepo: SessionRepo)

trait ActorFactory {
  def createActor(sessionId: UUID): UserActor
}
```

1. `createActor` is a factory method,
2. `createActor` will be generated by `distage`,
3. non-null-arg abstract methods are treated as factory methods,
4. Non-invasive *assisted injection*: `sessionId: UUID` will be taken from method parameter, `sessionRepo: SessionRepo` will be wired from context,
5. Useful for `Akka`, lot more convenient than Guice,
6. Works in both runtime and compile-time.

Extension: Automatic Sets

1. All instances of type `T` (like `AutoCloseable`) as a `Set[T]`,
2. Strong and Weak References:
   - GC collects weak referenced members with no more references

Example: free-of-charge basic resource support:

```scala
trait Resource {
  def start(): Unit
  def stop(): Unit
}
trait App { def main(): Unit }
locator.run { (resources: Set[Resource], app: App) =>
  try {
    resources.foreach(_.start())
    app.main()
  } finally { resources.foreach(_.close()) }
}
```

How it works: Plans

`distage` takes your bindings and then:

1. translates bindings into simple Turing-incomplete DSL (like `make`, `reference`, etc.),
2. represents the DSL statements as Directed Acyclic Graph using dependecy information and breaking circular dependencies if any,
3. resolves conflicts (one DAG node with several associated operations),
4. performs garbage collection,
5. applies other transformations (like config reference resolution),
6. turns the DAG back into sequential form — a Plan — with topological sorting.
7. $\Rightarrow$ the Plan may be introspected, printed, executed in compile-time by a code generator or executed in run-time.

Plan Introspection: example context

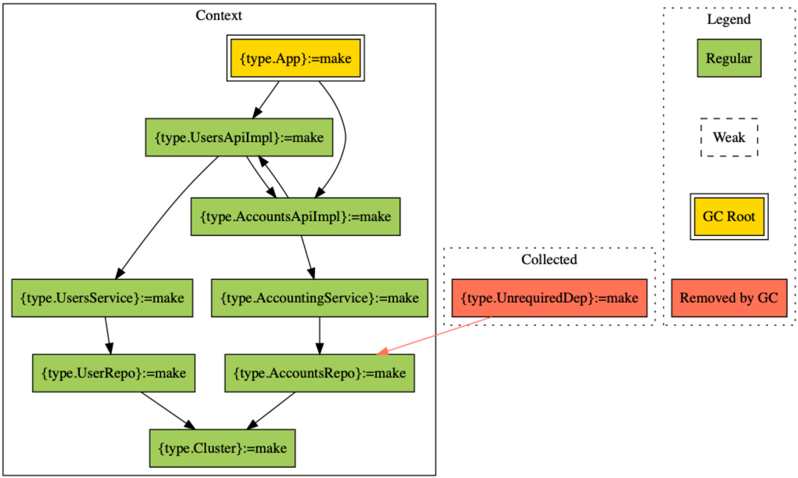
```scala
class Cluster
trait UsersService
trait AccountingService
trait UserRepo
trait AccountsRepo

class UserRepoImpl(cluster: Cluster) extends UserRepo
class AccountsRepoImpl(cluster: Cluster) extends AccountsRepo
class UserServiceImpl(userRepo: UserRepo) extends UsersService
class AccountingServiceImpl(accountsRepo: AccountsRepo)
    extends AccountingService

class UsersApiImpl(service: UsersService
    , accountsApi: AccountsApiImpl)
class AccountsApiImpl(service: AccountingService
    , usersApi: UsersApiImpl) // circular dependency
class App(uapi: UsersApiImpl, aapi: AccountsApiImpl)
```

Plan Introspection: example bindings[1]

```scala
val definition = new ModuleDef {
    make[Cluster]
    make[UserRepo].from[UserRepoImpl]
    make[AccountsRepo].from[AccountsRepoImpl]
    make[UsersService].from[UserServiceImpl]
    make[AccountingService].from[AccountingServiceImpl]
    make[UsersApiImpl]
    make[AccountsApiImpl]
    make[App]
}
val injector = Injector()
val plan = injector.plan(definition)
```

[1] Full code example: https://goo.gl/7ZwHfX

Plan Introspection: graphviz dump[1]



[1] Generated automatically by `GraphDumpObserver` distage extension

Plan Introspection: plan dumps

```
println(plan.render) // look for the circular dependency!
```

```
Cluster (BasicTest.scala:353) := make[Cluster] ()
UserRepo (BasicTest.scala:354) := make[UserRepoImpl] (
  par cluster: Cluster = lookup(Cluster)
)
AccountsRepo (BasicTest.scala:355) := make[AccountsRepoImpl] (
  par cluster: Cluster = lookup(Cluster)
)
AccountingService (BasicTest.scala:357) := make[AccountingServiceImpl] (
  par accountsRepo: AccountsRepo = lookup(AccountsRepo)
)
UsersService (BasicTest.scala:356) := make[UserServiceImpl] (
  par userRepo: UserRepo = lookup(UserRepo)
)
AccountsApiImpl (BasicTest.scala:359) := proxy(UsersApiImpl) {
  AccountsApiImpl (BasicTest.scala:359) := make[AccountsApiImpl] (
    par service: AccountingService = lookup(AccountingService)
    par usersApi: UsersApiImpl = lookup(UsersApiImpl)
  )
}
UsersApiImpl (BasicTest.scala:358) := make[UsersApiImpl] (
  par service: UsersService = lookup(UsersService)
  par accountsApi: AccountsApiImpl = lookup(AccountsApiImpl)
)
App (BasicTest.scala:360) := make[App] (
  par uapi: UsersApiImpl = lookup(UsersApiImpl)
  par aapi: AccountsApiImpl = lookup(AccountsApiImpl)
)
AccountsApiImpl (BasicTest.scala:359) -> init(UsersApiImpl)
```

Plan Introspection: dependency trees

You may explore dependencies of a component:

```scala
val dependencies = plan.topology.dependencies
println(dependencies.tree(DIKey.get[AccountsApiImpl]))
```

```
➤ com.github.pshirshov.izumi.distage.fixtures.BasicCases.AnimalModel.AccountsApiImpl
  ↳ 1: com.github.pshirshov.izumi.distage.fixtures.BasicCases.AnimalModel.AccountingService
    ↳ 2: com.github.pshirshov.izumi.distage.fixtures.BasicCases.AnimalModel.AccountsRepo
      ↳ 3: com.github.pshirshov.izumi.distage.fixtures.BasicCases.AnimalModel.Cluster
  ↳ 1: com.github.pshirshov.izumi.distage.fixtures.BasicCases.AnimalModel.UsersApiImpl
    ↳ 2: com.github.pshirshov.izumi.distage.fixtures.BasicCases.AnimalModel.UsersService
      ↳ 3: com.github.pshirshov.izumi.distage.fixtures.BasicCases.AnimalModel.UserRepo
        ↳ 4: com.github.pshirshov.izumi.distage.fixtures.BasicCases.AnimalModel.Cluster
    ⥀ 2: com.github.pshirshov.izumi.distage.fixtures.BasicCases.AnimalModel.AccountsApiImpl
```

Circular dependencies are marked with a circle symbol.

Compile-Time and Runtime DI

A Plan:

```
myRepository := create[MyRepository]()
myservice    := create[MyService](myRepository)
```

May be interpreted as:

Code tree (compile-time):

```scala
val myRepository =
    new MyRepository()
val myservice =
    new MyService(myRepository)
```

Set of instances (runtime):

```scala
plan.foldLeft(Context.empty) {
case (ctx, op) =>
    ctx.withInstance(
        op.key
        , interpret(action)
    )
}
```

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distage: status and things to do

`distage` 0.7 is:

1. ready to use,
2. in production for over 1 year,
3. all runtime features are available,
4. all compile-time features except for full compile-time mode are available.

What's next:

1. `ProducerF[_]` — Producer within a monad,
2. New Roles API,
3. Scala.js support,
4. Compile-time Producer,
5. Isolated Classloaders for Roles (in future),
6. Check our GitHub: https://github.com/pshirshov/izumi-r2.

distage is just a part of our stack

We have a vision backed by our tools:

1. Idealingua: transport and codec agnostic gRPC alternative with rich modeling language,
2. LogStage: structured logging framework,
3. *Fusional Programming and Design* guidelines. We love both FP and OOP,
4. *Continous Delivery* guidelines for Role-based process,
5. *Percept-Plan-Execute* Generative Programming approach, abstract machine and computational model. Addresses Project Planning (see Operations Research). Examples: orchestration, build systems.

Altogether these things already allowed us to significantly reduce development costs and delivery time for our client.

More slides to follow.

You use Guice?
Switch to distage!

Teaser: LogStage

A simple logging call . . .

```scala
log.info(s"$user logged in with $sessionId!")
```

May be rendered as text:

`17:05:18 UserService.login user=John Doe logged in with sessionId=DEADBEEF!`

Or as structured JSON:

```json
{
  "user": "John Doe",
  "sessionId": "DEADBEEF",
  "_template": "$user logged in with $sessionId!",
  "_location": "UserService.scala:265",
  "_context": "UserService.login",
}
```

Teaser: Idealingua

```
id UserId { uid: str }
data User {  name: str /* ... more fields */ }
data PublicUser {
 + InternalUser
 - SecurityAttributes
}
adt Failure = NotFound | UnknownFailure
service Service {
  def getUser(id: UserId): User !! Failure
}
```

1. Convenient Data and Interface Definition Language,
2. Extensible, transport-agnostic, abstracted from wire format,
3. JSON + HTTP / WebSocket at the moment,
4. C#, go, Scala, TypeScript at the moment,
5. Better than gRPC / REST / Swagger/ etc.

Thank you for your attention

distage website: https://izumi.7mind.io/
We're looking for clients, contributors, adopters and colleagues ;)

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