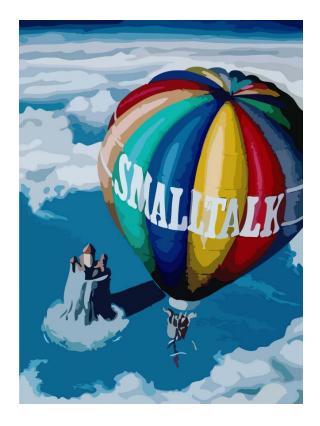
The Object-Oriented Programming Paradigm

Rounding of OOP

Bent Thomsen



SmallTalk -- Everything is an object

- > Rule 1. Everything is an object.
- > Rule 2. Every object is an instance of a class.
- > Rule 3. Every class has a superclass.
- > Rule 4. Everything happens by sending messages.
- > Rule 5. Method lookup follows the inheritance chain.

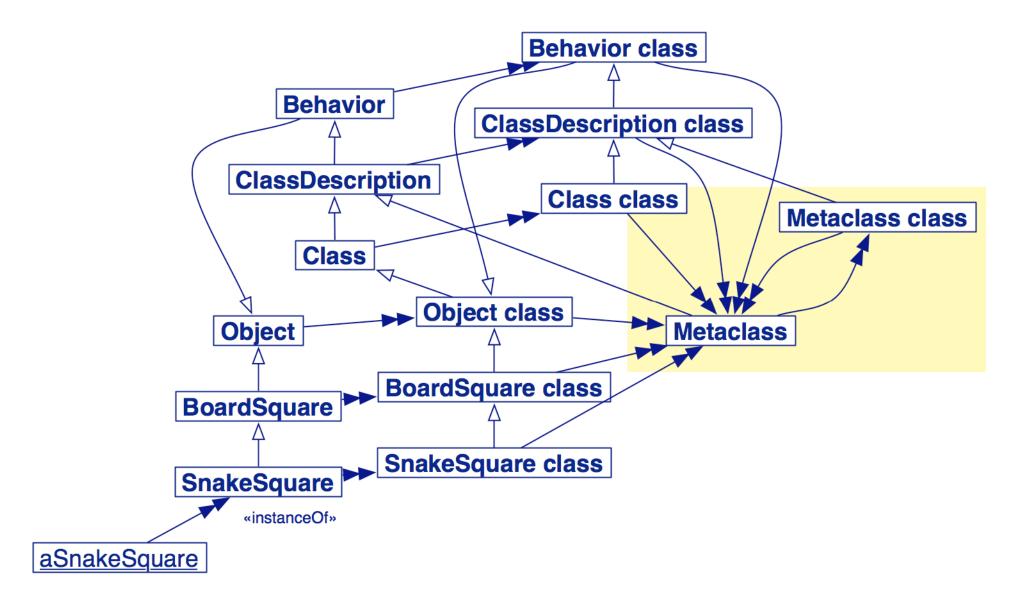
Metaclasses in 7 points

- 1. Every object is an instance of a class
- 2. Every class eventually inherits from Object
- 3. Every class is an instance of a metaclass
- 4. The metaclass hierarchy parallels the class hierarchy
- 5. Every metaclass inherits from Class and Behavior
- 6. Every metaclass is an instance of Metaclass
- 7. The metaclass of Metaclass is an instance of Metaclass

Navigating the metaclass hierarchy

```
3 class -> SmallInteger
3 class class -> SmallInteger class
3 class class class -> Metaclass
3 class class class class -> Metaclass class
3 class class class class -> Metaclass
```

7. The metaclass of Metaclass is an instance of Metaclass



SELF

> Stop the meta-madness!

>

> Prototype-based OOP in Self

SELF - History

- > Prototype-based pure object-oriented language.
- Designed by Randall Smith (Xerox PARC) and David Ungar (Stanford University).
 - Successor to Smalltalk-80.
 - "Self: The power of simplicity" appeared at OOPSLA '87.
 - Initial implementation done at Stanford; then project shifted to Sun Microsystems Labs; Now on selflanguage.org
 - Vehicle for implementation research
 - Lots of VM and compiler techniques

Design Goals

- > Conceptual economy
 - Everything is an object
 - Everything done using messages
 - No classes
 - No variables
- > Concreteness
 - Objects should seem "real"
 - GUI to manipulate objects directly

Language Overview

- > Dynamically typed
- > Everything is an object
- > All computation via message passing
- > Creation and initialization: clone object
- > Operations on objects:
 - send messages
 - add new slots
 - replace old slots
 - remove slots

Objects and Slots

Object consists of named slots.

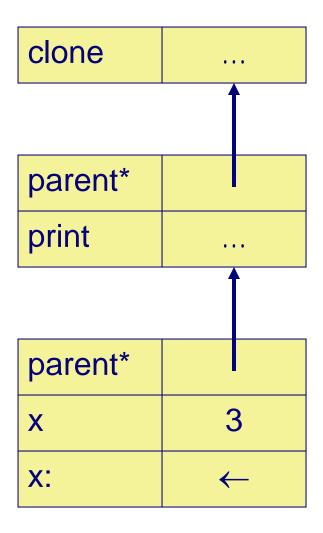
- Data
 - Such slots return contents upon evaluation; so act like instance variables
- Assignment
 - Set the value of associated slot
- Method
 - Slot contains Self code
- Parent
 - Point to existing object to inherit slots

Object Creation

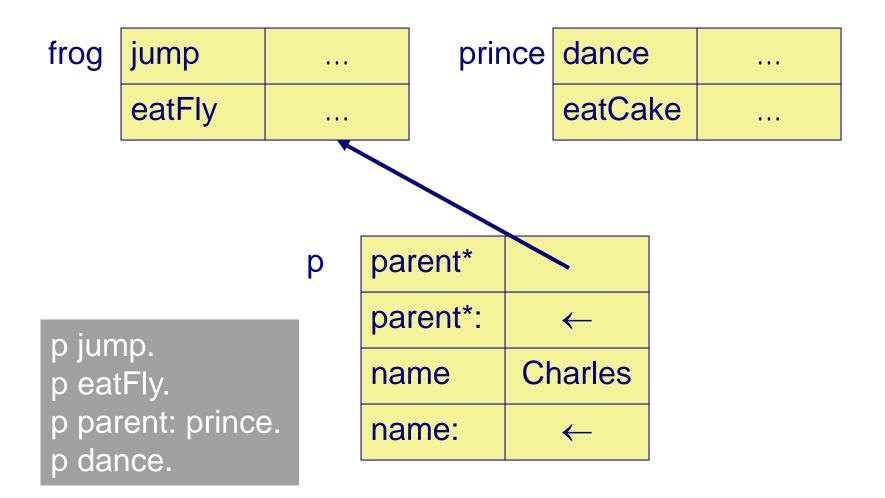
- > To create an object, we copy an old one
- > We can add new methods, override existing ones, or even remove methods
- > These operations also apply to parent slots

Messages and Methods

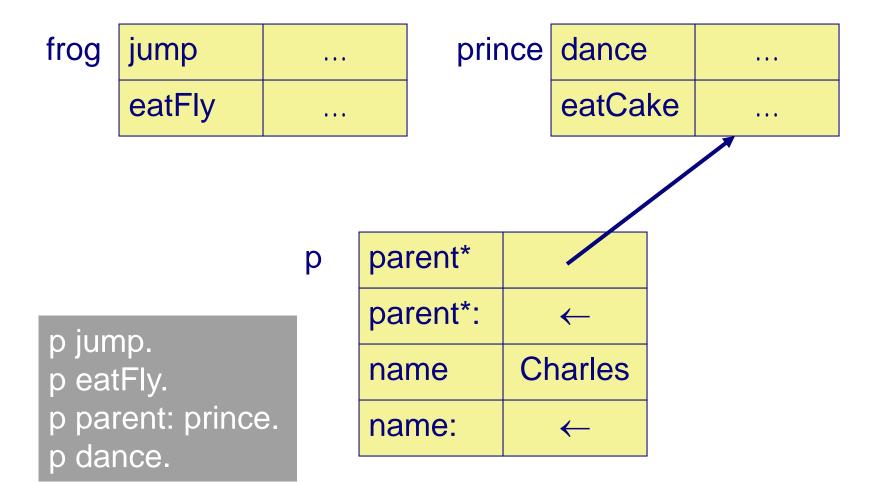
- > When message is sent, object searched for slot with name.
- If none found, all parents are searched.
 - Runtime error if more than one parent has a slot with the same name.
- If slot is found, its contents evaluated and returned.
 - Runtime error if no slot found.



Changing Parent Pointers



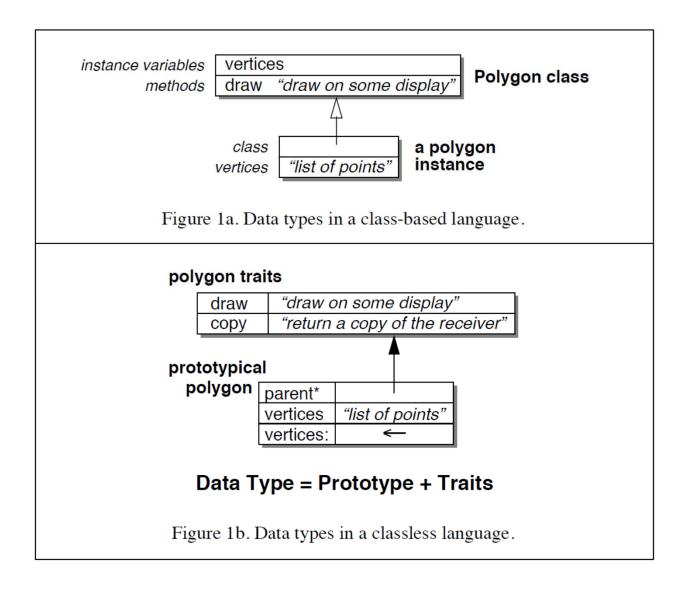
Changing Parent Pointers



Lessons learned from SELF

- Classes require programmers to understand a more complex model.
 - To make a new kind of object, we have to create a new class first.
 - To change an object, we have to change the class.
 - Infinite meta-class regression.
- > In Self it is common to structure programs with *traits*: objects that simply collect behavior for sharing.

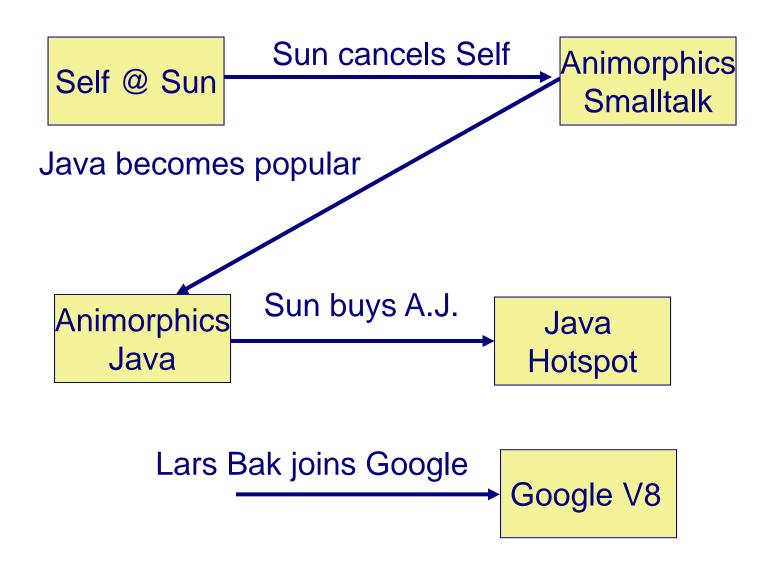
Class based v.s classless Data Types



Lessons learned from SELF

- > But: Does Self require programmer to reinvent structure?
 - Common to structure Self programs with *traits*: objects that simply collect behavior for sharing.
- > However: Prototype idea in widespread use: JavaScript
- > The idea of traits in Scala (and Fortress and Pharo)

An indirect impact of Self



Ruby

A dynamically typed, class-based, pure OOP language with blocks and reflection

Inspired by Smalltalk

> Ruby less simple, but more "modern and useful"

Ruby

- Pure object-oriented: all values are objects (even numbers)
- Class-based: Every object has a class that determines behavior
 - Mixins (neither Java interfaces nor C++ multiple inheritance)
 - A bit like Traits with state
- > Dynamically typed
- > Reflection: Run-time inspection of objects
- Very dynamic: Can change classes during execution
- > Blocks and libraries encourage lots of closure idioms
- > Syntax, scoping rules, semantics of a "scripting language"
 - Variables "spring to life" on use
 - Very flexible arrays

Defining classes and methods

```
class Name
  def method_name1 method_args1
    expression1
  end
  def method_name2 method_args2
    expression2
  end
...
end
```

- > Method returns its last expression
 - Ruby also has explicit return statement
- Syntax note: Line breaks often required (else need more syntax), but indentation always only style

Creating and using an object

- ClassName.new creates a new object whose class is ClassName
- e.m evaluates e to an object and then calls its m method
 - Also known as "sends the m message"
 - Can also write e.m()
- > Methods can take arguments, called like
 e.m(e1,...,en)
 - Parentheses optional in some places, but recommended

Method visibility

- > Three *visibilities* for methods in Ruby:
 - private: only available to object itself
 - protected: available only to code in the class or subclasses
 - public: available to all code
- > Methods are public by default
 - Multiple ways to change a method's visibility
 - Here is one way...

Method visibilities

```
class Foo =
# by default methods public
protected
# now methods will be protected until
# next visibility keyword
public
private
end
```

Subclassing

```
class Point
  attr_accessor :x, :y
  def initialize(x,y)
    @x = x
    @y = y
  end
  def distFromOrigin
    # direct field access
   Math.sqrt(@x*@x
              + @y*@y)
  end
  def distFromOrigin2
    # use getters
    Math.sqrt(x*x
              + y*y)
  end
end
```

```
class ColorPoint < Point
  attr_accessor :color
  def initialize(x,y,c)
      super(x,y)
     @color = c
  end
end</pre>
```

An object has a class

```
p = Point.new(0,0)
cp = ColorPoint.new(0,0,"red")
                                 # Point
p.class
p.class.superclass
                                 # Object
                                 # ColorPoint
cp.class
                                 # Point
cp.class.superclass
cp.class.superclass.superclass
                                 # Object
cp.is a? Point
                                 # true
                                 # false
cp.instance_of? Point
cp.is_a? ColorPoint
                                 # true
cp.instance_of? ColorPoint
                                 # true
o = Object.new
                                 # Object
o.class
                                 # Object
```

- > Using these methods is usually non-OOP style
 - Disallows other things that "act like a duck"
 - Nonetheless semantics is that an instance of ColorPoint "is a" Point but is not an "instance of" Point
 - Object is the top of the hierarchy

Changing classes

- > Ruby programs (or the REPL) can add/change/replace methods while a program is running
- > Breaks abstractions and makes programs very difficult to analyze, but it does have plausible uses
 - Simple example: Add a useful helper method to a class you did not define
 - Controversial in large programs, but may be useful
- > Helps re-enforce "the rules of OOP"
 - Every object has a class
 - A class determines its instances' behavior

Variables and Symbols

- Ruby is weakly typed. Variables receive their types during assignment.
- There is no boolean type, but everything has a value. False and nil are false and all other objects are true.
- Instance variables begin with the '@' sign.
 - @name, @age, @course
- Class variables begin with two '@' signs.
 - ▶ They are almost never used.
- Ruby has symbols (like Smalltalk). They begin with a colon.
 - iname, :age, :course
 - Symbols have a name (string) and value (integer) but no location.

Data Structures

> Arrays

- Indexed with integers starting at 0.
- Contents do not have to all be the same type.
- Contents can be assigned in a list using square brackets.
 - order = ["blue", 6, 24.95]
 - Arrays are objects so must be instantiated with 'new'.

> Hash Tables

- Key value pairs
- Keys are almost always symbols
- Contents can be assigned in a list of key-value pairs using curly braces.
 - order = {:color => "blue", :size => 6, :price => 24.95}
- To retrieve an element, use square brackets
 - @size = order[:size]

Control Structures: Conditionals

```
if order[:color] == "blue"
...
elsif order[:size] == 6
...
else
...
end
```

Control Structures: Iteration

```
> for, while and until
  for item in order do
        puts item
> Iterator 'each'
  sum = 0
  [1..10].each do |count|
      sum += count
  end
  puts sum
  — count is a parameter to the block and has no value outside of it.
```

Exceptions

```
begin
rescue
rescue
ensure
end
```

- > rescue and ensure are the same as catch and finally
- > Ruby also has *throw* and *catch*, similar to Java

Blocks

Blocks are probably Ruby's strangest feature compared to other PLs

But almost just closures

- Normal: easy way to pass anonymous functions to methods for all the usual reasons
- Normal: Blocks can take 0 or more arguments
- Normal: Blocks use lexical scope: block body uses environment where block was defined

Examples:

```
3.times { puts "hi" }
[4,6,8].each { puts "hi" }
i = 7
[4,6,8].each { |x| if i > x then puts (x+1) end }
```

Blocks

- If a block consists of a single line, it is enclosed in curly braces.
- Usually blocks begin with a control statement and are terminated with the keyword, 'end'.
- Indentation, usually two spaces, is used to indicate what is in the block. Common errors are to have either too few or too many 'ends'.
- > Variables within a block are local to the block unless they are instance variables starting with the '@' sign.
- Methods begin with the keyword, 'def', and are terminated with an 'end'.
- Parameters are enclosed with parentheses. If a method has no parameters, the parentheses are optional.

Some strange things

- > Can pass 0 or 1 block with any message
 - Callee might ignore it
 - Callee might give an error if you do not send one
 - Callee might do different things if you do/don't send one
 - Also number-of-block-arguments can matter
- Just put the block "next to" the "other" arguments (if any)
 - Syntax: $\{e\}$, $\{|x| e\}$, $\{|x,y| e\}$, etc. (plus variations)
 - Can also replace { and } with do and end
 - Often preferred for blocks > 1 line

More strangeness

- Callee does not give a name to the (potential) block argument
- > Instead, just calls it with yield or yield(args)
 - Silly example:

```
def silly a
   (yield a) + (yield 42)
end
x.silly 5 { |b| b*2 }
```

 Can ask block_given? but often just assume a block is given or that a block's presence is implied by other arguments

Blocks are "second-class"

All a method can do with a block is yield to it

- Cannot return it, store it in an object (e.g., for a callback), ...
- But can also turn blocks into real closures
- Closures are instances of class Proc
 - Called with method call

This is Ruby, so there are several ways to make **Proc** objects ©

- One way: Proc.new which takes a block and returns the corresponding Proc:
 - proc_object = Proc.new {puts "I am a proc object"}
 - proc_object.call

Ruby – a story for another day

- Lots of support for string manipulation and regular expressions
- > Popular for server-side web applications
 - Ruby on Rails
- > Often many ways to do the same thing
 - More of a "why not add that too?" approach

So Smalltalk really is an improvement on most of it succesors ©

ASL

- What if we combined the Prototype OO idea from SELF with Smalltalks Classes and a bit of Ruby like syntax?
- > Abstraction Step Language (ASL)
 - Create objects directly
 - Add members and methods
 - Clone
 - Weakly categorize
 - objects may borrow methods from each other
 - Abstract extract class from set of objects
 - Generalize extract superclass from set of classes
 - Future work: What about types?

Types vs. Testing

- Test driven development is an integral part of SmallTalk programming – rember exercise 3.7 and Sunit !!
- Test driven development ought to be an integral part of programming in any dynamic language
 - But often neglected because of lack of support
- Studies show that test driven development can eliminate (almost) as many errors as a strong type system
 - But of course testing can only show the presence of errors, not guarantee their absence
 - And it takes more or less the same time to develop programs using rigorous testing as developing programs in a strongly typed language
- Nevertheless, long war between dynamic and staticly typed languages

Scala

- Scala is an object-oriented and functional language which is completely interoperable with Java
 - Developed by Martin Odersky, EPFL, Lausanne, Switzerland
- > Uniform object model
 - Everything is an object
 - Class based, single inheritance
 - Mixins and traits
 - Singleton objects defined directly
- > Higher Order and Anonymous functions with Pattern matching
- > Genericity
- > Type inference
- > Extendible
 - All operators are overloadable, function symbols can be pre-, post- or infix
 - New control structures can be defined without using macros
 - SmallTalk inspired

Scala is Object Oriented

Scala programs interoperate seamlessly with Java class libraries:

- Method calls
- Field accesses
- Class inheritance
- Interface implementation

all work as in Java.

Scala programs compile to JVM bytecodes.

Scala's syntax resemble Java's, but there are a some

Scala's version of the extended **for** loop (use <- as an alias for ←)

```
var: Type instead of Type var
object Example
  def main(args: Array[String]) {
    val b = new StringBuilder()
     for (i ← 0 until args.length) {
       if (i > 0) b.append("")
       b.append(args(i).toUpperCase)
     Console.println(
                       oString)
```

Arrays are indexed

args(i) instead of args[i]

Scala is functional

The last program can also be written in a completely different style:

- Treat arrays as instances of general sequence abstractions.
- Use higher-order functions instead of local

map is a method of Array which applies the function on its right to each array element.

object Example2

def main(args: 15tring)

mkString is a method of Array which forms a string of all elements with a given separator between them.

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Scala's approach

- > Scala applies Tennent's design principles:
 - Concentrate on abstraction and composition capabilities instead of basic language constructs
 - Minimal orthogonal set of core language constructs
- > But it is European ☺
 - But teamed up with Stanford Pervasive Parallelism Laboratory in 2009, so perhaps ©
 - Now used in SPARK/Hadoop for MapReduce analysis of Big Data, claims to be up 100% faster than plain Hadoop

O'CAML

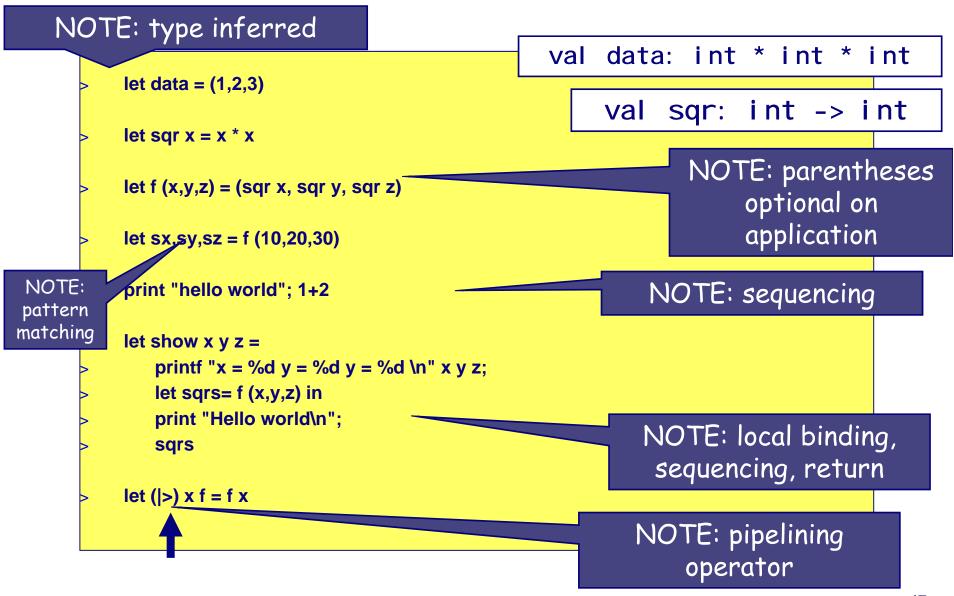
- > CAML french branch of ML
 - Categorical Abstract Machine Language
- > Objective CAML
- > O'CAML
- > Based on record subtyping

```
class point =
  object
  val mutable x = 0
  method get_x = x
  method move d = x <- x + d
  end;;
class point :
  object val mutable x : int method get_x : int method move : int -> unit end
```

F#

- > A .NET language (developed by Don Syme)
 - Connects with all Microsoft foundation technologies
 - 3rd official MS language shipped with VS2010
- > Aims to combine the best of Lisp, ML, Scheme, Haskell, in the context of .NET
 - Actually based on O'Caml
- > Functional, math-oriented, scalable
- > Aimed particularly at the "Symbolic Programming" niche at Microsoft
- > Has become very popular in the financial sector

F# on one slide



DART

- > New OOP/FP language from Google
- Development headed by Lars Bak at Google Arhus
- Dynamic, optionally typed, class based OO language
 Inspired by SmallTalk
- > Allows you to write web client and server programs in one language
- Compiles to JavaScript for client side and JIT on server

Dart is new, yet familiar

You can probably already read and even write Dart code. See more samples.

```
import 'dart:math' show Random;
                               // Import a class from a library.
void main() {
                                     // The app starts executing here.
 print(new Die(n: 12).roll()); // Print a new object's value. Chain method calls.
class Die {
                                     // Define a class.
 static Random shaker = new Random(); // Define a class variable.
                                   // Define instance variables.
 int sides, value;
 String toString() => '$value'; // Define a method using shorthand syntax.
 Die({int n: 6}) {
                                    // Define a constructor.
   if (4 <= n && n <= 20) {
     sides = n;
   } else {
     throw new ArgumentError(/* */); // Support for errors and exceptions.
 int roll() {
                                     // Define an instance method.
   return value = shaker.nextInt(sides) + 1; // Get a random number.
```

Dart's comprehensive libraries give you lots of choices

Every app can use lists, sets, and maps, all provided by Dart's core library.

```
Map famousDuos = { 'Han Solo': 'Chewbacca',
                                                // Map literal.
                   'Bonnie': 'Clyde',
                   'Laurel': 'Hardy' };
List myFriends = [ 'Seth', 'Kathy', 'Shailen' ]; // List literal.
// Create lists and maps from Iterable objects.
List shuffledSidekicks = new List.from(famousDuos.values)...shuffle();
Map mixedDuos = new Map.fromIterables(famousDuos.keys, shuffledSidekicks);
// Iteration.
mixedDuos. forEach((k, v) { print('$k, $v'); });
// Some lists, maps, and sets are growable.
Set setOfMyFriends = new Set.from(myFriends);
Set famousPeople = new Set.from(famousDuos.values);
famousPeople.addAll(famousDuos.keys);
// Rich set of functionality for collections.
print(famousPeople.intersection(setOfMyFriends).isEmpty);
print(famousPeople.union(setOfMyFriends).length);
```

DART

- Everything you can place in a variable is an object, and every object is an instance of a class.
 - Even numbers, functions, and null are objects.
 - All objects inherit from the Object class.
- > Dart supports top-level functions (such as main()), as well as functions tied to a class or object (static and instance methods, respectively).
 - You can also create functions within functions (nested or local functions).
- Specifying static types clarifies your intent and enables static checking by tools, but it's optional.
 - Dart has two runtime modes: production and checked.
 - Production mode is the default runtime mode of a Dart program, optimized for speed. Production mode ignores assert statements and static types.

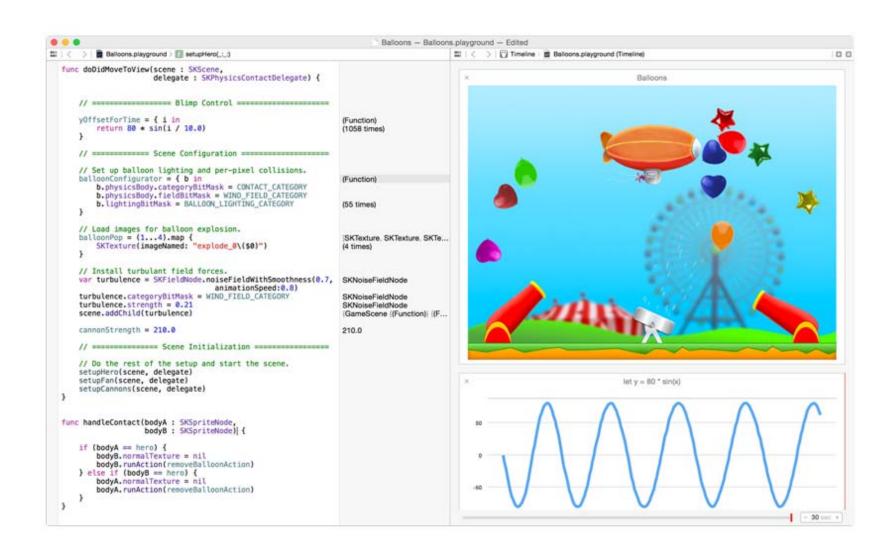
DART

- > Isolates
- Modern web browsers, even on mobile platforms, run on multi-core CPUs. To take advantage of all those cores, developers traditionally use shared-memory threads running concurrently. However, shared-state concurrency is error prone and can lead to complicated code.
- Instead of threads, all Dart code runs inside of isolates. Each isolate has its own memory heap, ensuring that no isolate's state is accessible from any other isolate.

SWIFT

- > A new language for iOS and OS X
 - Swift code works side-by-side with Objective-C
- > OOP and Functional Language
- Inspired by SmallTalk
 - object-oriented features such as
 - classes, protocols, and generics
 - Closures unified with function pointers
 - Tuples and multiple return values
 - Generics
 - Fast and concise iteration over a range or collection
 - Structs that support methods, extensions, protocols.
 - Functional programming patterns, e.g.: map and filter
 - Type inference
 - Garbage collection

REPL interactive development environment



OOP vs. FP

- In functional (and procedural) programming, break programs down into functions that perform some operation
- In object-oriented programming, break programs down into classes that give behavior to some kind of data
 - These two forms of decomposition are so exactly opposite that they are two ways of looking at the same "matrix"
 - Which form is "better" is somewhat personal taste, but also depends on how you expect to change/extend software

The expression example

Well-known and compelling example of a common *pattern*:

- Expressions for a small language
- Different variants of expressions: ints, additions, negations, ...
- Different operations to perform: eval, toString, hasZero, ...

Leads to a matrix (2D-grid) of variants and operations

 Implementation will involve deciding what "should happen" for each entry in the grid regardless of the PL

	eval	toString	hasZero	•••
Int				
Add				
Negate				

Standard approach in ML

	eval	toString	hasZero	•••
Int				
Add				
Negate				
•••				

- Define a datatype, with one constructor for each variant
 - (No need to indicate datatypes if dynamically typed)
- > "Fill out the grid" via one function per column
 - Each function has one branch for each column entry
 - Can combine cases (e.g., with wildcard patterns) if multiple entries in column are the same

```
datatype exp =
   Int
        of int
 | Negate of exp
 | Add of exp * exp
exception BadResult of string
(* this helper function is overkill here but will provide a more
  direct contrast with more complicated examples soon *)
fun add values (v1,v2) =
   case (v1, v2) of
   (Int i, Int j) \Longrightarrow Int (i+j)
     | _ => raise BadResult "non-values passed to add values"
fun eval e = (* no environment because we don't have variables *)
   case e of
   Int _
               => e
     | Negate e1 => (case eval e1 of
              Int i \Rightarrow Int (\sim i)
             | => raise BadResult "non-int in negation")
     | Add(e1,e2) => add_values (eval e1, eval e2)
fun toString e =
   case e of
   Int i => Int.toString i
     | Negate e1 => "-(" ^ (toString e1) ^ ")"
     | Add(e1,e2) => "(" ^ (toString e1) ^ " + " ^ (toString e2) ^ ")"
fun hasZero e =
   case e of
   Int i => i=0
    | Negate e1 => hasZero e1
     | Add(e1,e2) => (hasZero e1) orelse (hasZero e2)
```

Standard approach in OOP

	eval	toString	hasZero	•••
Int				
Add				
Negate				
•••				

- Define a class, with one abstract method for each operation
 - (No need to indicate abstract methods if dynamically typed)
- > Define a *subclass* for each variant
- So "fill out the grid" via one class per row with one method implementation for each grid position
 - Can use a method in the superclass if there is a default for multiple entries in a column

```
class Exp
 # could put default implementations or helper methods here
class Value < Exp
 # this is overkill here, but is useful if you have multiple kinds of
  # /values/ in your language that can share methods that do not make sense
 # for non-value expressions
end
class Int < Value
 attr reader :i
 def initialize i
   @i = i
  end
  def eval # no argument because no environment
   self
  end
  def toString
   @i.to s
  def hasZero
  i==0
  end
end
class Negate < Exp
 attr reader :e
 def initialize e
  @e = e
 def eval
   Int.new(-e.eval.i) # error if e.eval has no i method
  def toString
   "-(" + e.toString + ")"
  def hasZero
   e.hasZero
  end
end
class Add < Exp
 attr reader :e1, :e2
  def initialize(e1,e2)
   @e1 = e1
   @e2 = e2
   Int.new(e1.eval.i + e2.eval.i) # error if e1.eval or e2.eval has no i method
  def toString
   "(" + e1.toString + " + " + e2.toString + ")"
  end
  def hasZero
   e1.hasZero || e2.hasZero
 end
end
```

A big course punchline

	eval	toString	hasZero	•••
Int				
Add				
Negate				
•••				

- FP and OOP often doing the same thing in exact opposite way
 - Organize the program "by rows" or "by columns"
- > Which is "most natural" may depend on what you are doing (e.g., an interpreter vs. a GUI) or personal taste

A generalized tree-walker in F#.

```
type 'a Visitor -
           class
            abstract member visitPlusExp: 'a * 'a -> 'a
            abstract member visitMinusExp: 'a * 'a -> 'a
             abstract member visitTimesExp: 'a * 'a -> 'a
             abstract member visitDivideExp: 'a * 'a -> 'a
            abstract member visitIdentifier: string -> 'a
            abstract member visitIntegerLiteral: string -> 'a
            now() - Il
let rec TreeWalker (c:'a Visitor) (ee:Exp) =
  match ee with
    :? PlusExp as e -> (c.visitPlusExp ((TreeWalker c e.ei),(TreeWalker c e.e2)))
    :? MinusExp as e -> (c.visitMinusExp ((TreeWalker c e.ei),(TreeWalker c e.e2)))
  | :? TimesExp as e -> (c.visitTimesExp ((TreeWalker c e.ei),(TreeWalker c e.e2)))
  | :? DivideExp as e -> (c.visitDivideExp ((TreeWalker c e.ei),(TreeWalker c e.e2)))
  :? Identifier as e -> (c.visitIdentifier e.fi)
  | :? IntegerLiteral as e -> (c.visitIntegerLiteral e.fi);;
         type Interpreter -
           class
             inherit int Visitor
            override x.visitPlusExp (x,y) = x + y
            override x.visitMinusExp (x,y) = x - y
             override x.visitTimesExp (x,y) = x * y
            override x.visitDivideExp (x,y) = x / y
            override x.visitIdentifier s - Lookup s
             override x.visitIntegerLiteral s = System.Int32.Parse s
            new() = {}
         end::
```

Combining OOP and FP

- Mixing OOP and FP brings the best of both worlds together
- See Mapping and Visiting in Functional and Object Oriented Programming paper

Combining OOP and FP

- > A step towards more a declarative style of programming
- Say what you want, without saying how

Or as Anders Heilsberg, Inventor of C#, puts it:

"programmers need to talk less about how to do things and more about what they want done and have computers reason it out."

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