# ZipPy: A Simple Python 3 for the JVM

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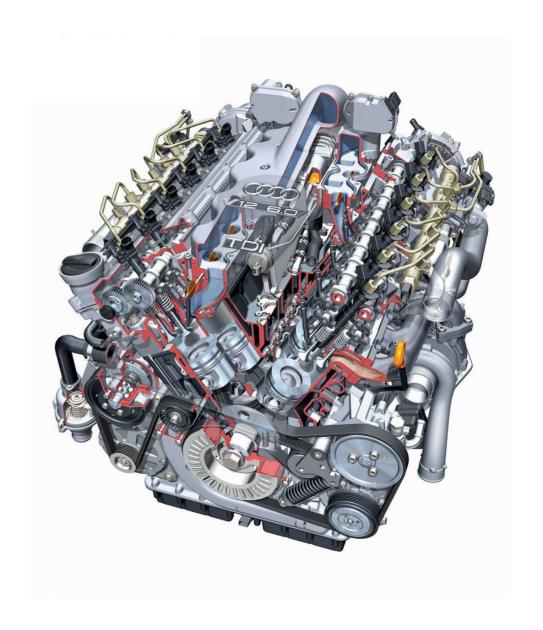
## Python?

- Dynamic languages are here to stay
- · People use it too: NumPy, Django
- Concise syntax, good readability
- Py3k is the future



## JVM, the Platform

- 100+ languages
- Robust Memory Management
- Concurrency support
- Development Productivity
- Cross Platform

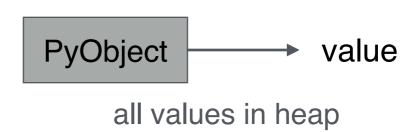


## JVM, the Challenges

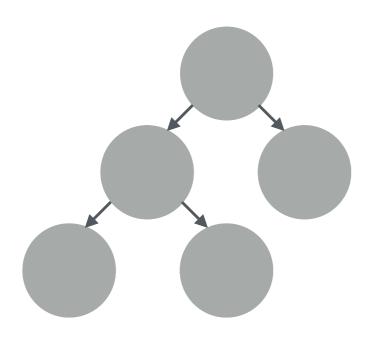
- Value representation
  - Tagged union
  - Boxing for numerics
- Runtime type specialization

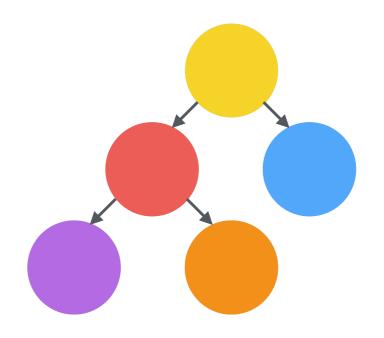


tagged union



#### Truffle Framework





Python AST Interpreter with **uninitialized** nodes

Python AST Interpreter with **rewritten** nodes

Images from [2]

[1]: S. Brunthaler, Inline Caching Meets Quickening, ECOOP 2010

[2]: T. Würthinger et al., Self-Optimizing AST Interpreters DLS 2012

#### Example Python Function

```
def sumitup(n):
   total = 0
   for i in range(n):
     total = total + i
   return total
```

#### **AST After Parsing**

```
FunctionRootNode
  parameters = ParametersOfSizeOneNode
    parameter = WriteLocalUninitializedNode
      rightNode = ReadArgumentNode
  body = BlockNode
    statements[0] = WriteLocalUninitializedNode
      rightNode = IntegerLiteralNode
    statements[1] = ForWithLocalTargetUninitializedNode
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          rightNode = AddUninitializedNode
            leftNode = ReadLocalUninitializedNode
            rightNode = ReadLocalUninitializedNode
      target = WriteLocalUninitializedNode
      iterator = UninitializedCallFunctionNode
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            primary = ObjectLiteralNode
        arguments[0] = ReadLocalUninitializedNode
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  returnValue = ReadLocalUninitializedNode
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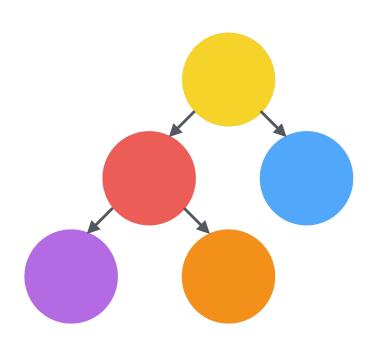
#### Specialized AST

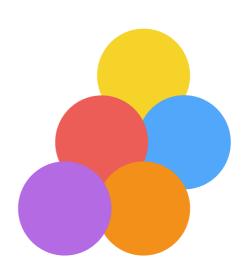
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            rightNode = ReadLocalIntNode
      target = WriteLocalIntNode
      iterator = CallBuiltInFunctionDefaultNode
        arguments[0] = ReadLocalIntNode
    statements[2] = FrameReturnNode
      right = WriteLocalIntNode
        rightNode = ReadLocalIntNode
  returnValue = ReadLocalIntNode
```

#### AddNode

```
@NodeChildren({
  @NodeChild(value = "leftNode", type = PNode.class),
  @NodeChild(value = "rightNode", type = PNode.class)})
public abstract static class AddNode extends PNode{
  @Specialization(rewriteOn = ArithmeticException.class, order = 0)
  int doInteger(int left, int right) {
    return ExactMath.addExact(left, right);
  @Specialization(order = 1)
  BigInteger doBigInteger(BigInteger left, BigInteger right) {
    return left.add(right);
[...]
 @Generic
  Object doGeneric(Object left, Object right) {
    throw Py.TypeError("unsupported operand type(s) for +:");
```

#### Partial Evaluation





Python AST Interpreter with **rewritten** nodes

**Compiled** Python program

Images from [1]

[1]: T. Würthinger et al., One VM to Rule Them All Onward! 2013

#### Example Python Function Specialized

```
int sumItUp(int n) {
   int total = 0;

for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
   total = total + i;
  }

return total;
}</pre>
```

#### Machine Code for the Loop

```
jmp L7
                 ecx, edx
L6:
      mov
      add
                 ecx, ebp
      jo
                 L8
                 edx, ebp
      mov
      incl
                 edx
                 esi, ebp
      mov
                 ebp, edx
      mov
                 edx, ecx
      mov
L7:
                 eax, ebp
      cmp
      jle
                 L9
      jmp
                 L6
      call
                 deoptimize()
L8:
L9:
```

#### Performance of Our Example

```
def sumitup(n):
   total = 0
   for i in range(n):
     total = total + i
   return total
```

50,000 invocations of sumitup(50,000)

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ZipPy	3.8 sec.

Peak performance after warmup runs, so that method is compiled

## Call Graph

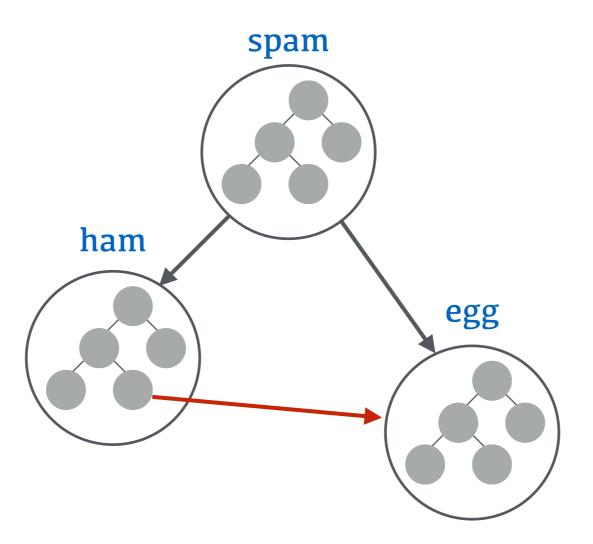


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## Call Inlining

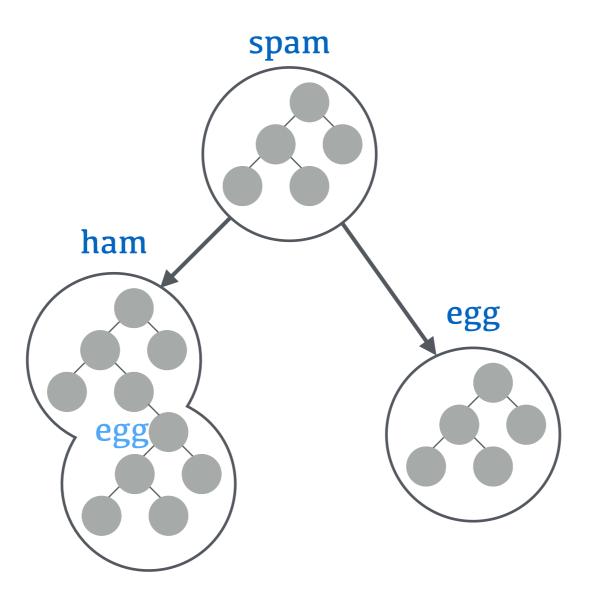


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#### Example with Call

```
def add(left, right):
    return left + right

def sumitup(n):
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    for i in range(n):
        total = add(total, i)
    return total
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        statements[0] = WriteLocalIntNode
          rightNode = CallFunctionNoKeywordInlinedNode
            callee = ReadGlobalDirectNode
              load = LoadObjectAttributeNode
                primary = ObjectLiteralNode
            functionRoot = InlinedFunctionRootNode
              parameters = ParametersOfSizeTwoNode
                param0 = WriteLocalIntNode
                  rightNode = ReadArgumentNode
                param1 = WriteLocalIntNode
                  rightNode = ReadArgumentNode
              body = BlockNode
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Same as the version without call

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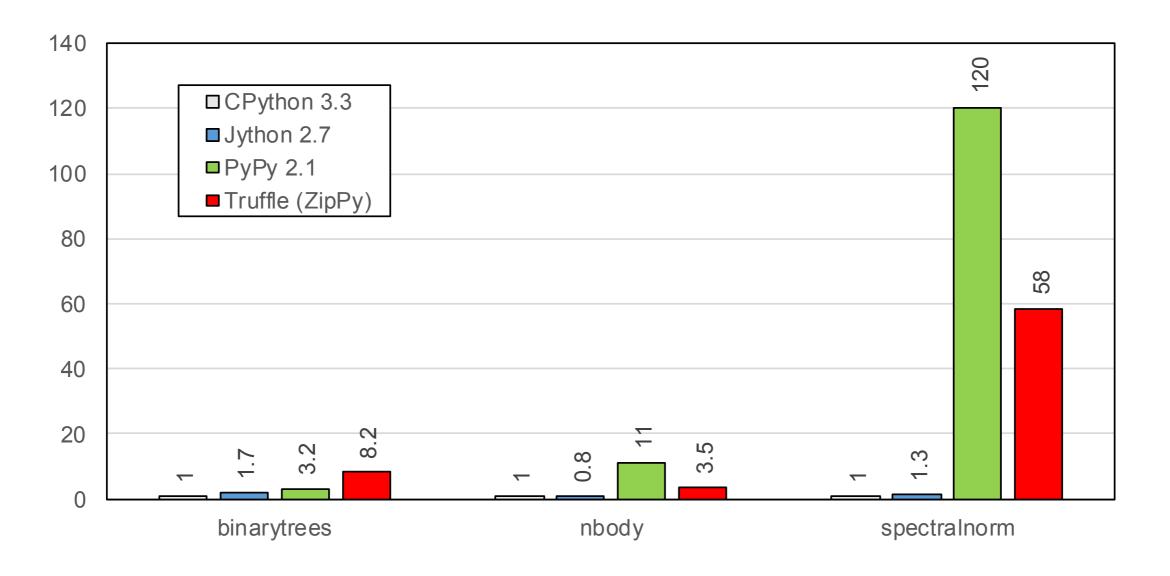
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## Running Benchmarks



Speedup relative to CPython 3.3

## ZipPy

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- > cd zippy
- > ./mx.py build
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#### Thank You

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