# Modules, States, Uniqueness, and Non-Determinism

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#### **Recap Tensor Comprehensions and With-Loops**

#### Recap Shifting Between Inner and Outer Shape

## **Recap: With-Loops and Concurrency**

```
res = with {
     ([0,0] <= iv < [3,4]) : expr (iv);
} : genarray([3,4], 42);</pre>
```

lexical scoping => *expr* can only refer to variables defined before this definition! side-effect-free => *expr* neither relies on some shared state nor does it change some shared state!

for each value of iv we compute **expr** (iv) exactly once!

- ⇒ Semantics guarantees that the order of evaluation does not affect the result
- ⇒ Parallelism is possible!

# Why do we Need Modules?

- Code Reuse
- Namespaces
- FFI (Foreign Function Interface)

#### **Challenges of Modules?**

- Separate Compilation vs Whole-World Compilation
  - whole-world compilation => better optimisation possible
  - separate compilation => faster compilation
  - separate compilation => enables the use existing libraries
- Overloading
  - How do we deal with overloading across modules?
- FFI (Foreign Function Interface)
  - How can we get data from one language to another?
  - How can we work with stateful libraries?

#### **Modules and Namespaces**

```
Module A;
export all;

int foo()
{...}

int bar()
{...}
```

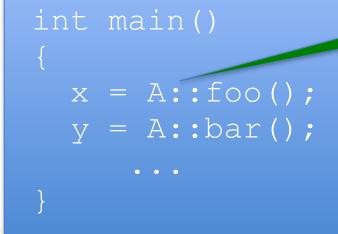
refers to "A"

```
Defines a namespace "A"
```

lives in "MAIN"

```
int foo()
{....}

int main()
{
    x = A::foo();
    y = A::bar();
    z = foo();
}
```



## **Using Modules...**

```
Module A;
export all;

int foo()
{...}

int bar()
{...}
```

```
use A: all;
int main()
{
    x = foo();
    y = bar();
}
```

makes all symbols of "A" directly *usable* in "MAIN"

```
use A: all;
int foo()
{...}
int main()
{
    x = A::foo();
    y = bar();
    z = foo();
}
```

```
use A: all
  except {foo};

int foo()
{...}

int main()
{
  x = A::foo();
  y = bar();
  z = foo();
  ...
}
```

## Using Modules... no accidental overloading!

```
Module A;
export all;

int
foo(int[*] a)
{...}

int bar()
{...}
```

```
use A: all;
int main()
{
    x = foo(42);
    y = bar();
    ...
}
```

makes all symbols of "A" directly usable in "MAIN"

```
use A: all;
int foo(int a)
{...}
int main()
{
    x = A::foo(42);
    y = bar();
    z = foo(42);
    ...
}
```

```
use A: all
  except {foo};

int foo(int a)
{...}

int main()
{
  x = A::foo(42);
  y = bar();
  z = foo(42);
  ...
}
```

#### **Modules and Intended Overloading**

```
Module A;
export all;
int foo (int[*] a)
{return 0;}
```

literally *imports* all definitions from "A"

```
import A: all;
int foo (int a)
{return 1;}

int main()
{
    x = foo (42);    1
    y = foo ([1]);    0
    ...
}
```

#### Modules and Overloading, Interesting Cases

```
Module A;
export all;
int foo (int[*] a)
{return 0;}
```

#### Modules and Overloading, Recursion

```
Module A;
use Array: all;
export all;

int[*] foo (int[*] a)
{return {[i]->foo(A[i])};}

int foo (int a)
{return 0;}
```

```
int[.] foo (int[.] a)
{return {[i]->foo(a[i])+1};}
int main ()
                             [1]
  x = foo ([42]);
                             [0]
  y = A::foo([42]);
                             [[[4]]]
  xxx = foo ([[[42]]]);
  yyy = A::foo([[[42]]]);
                             [[[0]]]
```

#### **Modules and Overloading**

```
Module A;
export all;
int foo (int[*] a)
{return 0;}
```

inhibits imports but allows uses

```
{return 1;}
int main ()
 x = foo (42); 0
 y = bar (42); 3
  z = B::foo (42); 2
```

```
Module B;
provide all;

int foo (int[*] a)
{return 2;}

int bar (int[*] a)
{return 3;}
```

#### **Example from the Stdlib:**

Find file Branch: master ▼ Stdlib / src / structures / Structures.sac Copy path sbscholz added Quaternion.sac in Structures in the extended-section of the Std... fd6a977 on 19 Sep 2017 2 contributors 21 lines (15 sloc) | 359 Bytes Raw Blame History module Structures; import Array : all; import Char : all; import Bits : all; import String : all; #ifdef EXT\_STDLIB import Complex : all; import Quaternion : all; #ifndef SAC\_BACKEND\_MUTC import List : all; import Color8 : all; import Grey : all; 13 #endif /\* SAC\_BACKEND\_MUTC \*/ 15 #endif 16 export all; 17 18 19 20

#### SaC is stateless ????

- How can we allow for print(a); ????
- How do other functional languages do stateful computations?
  - Monads in Haskell: type system enforces one linear chain of bind operations!
  - Uniqueness Types in Clean: type system enforces a linear use of references!

## SaC's update in place

All these can be done in-place!

```
a = [1,2,3];
a = modarray( a, [0], 7);
a = modarray( a, [1], 42);
```

- ⇒ Observation I : each 'a' is used exactly once!
- ⇒ Observation II: none of the 'a' is "aliased"
- ⇒ Observation III: that is very close to *uniqueness types*!

#### **Uniqueness Types without Uniqueness Types**

#### unq Terminal print( unq Terminal terminal, int[\*] a)

```
terminal = print( terminal, a);
terminal = print( terminal, b);
terminal = print( terminal, c);
```

```
Class Terminal;

external classtype;
export all;

Terminal print (Terminal terminal, int[*] a)
{ . . . }
```

#### More Hide-And-Seek: Reference Parameters

```
terminal = print (terminal, a);
terminal2 = print (terminal, b);
terminal = print (terminal, c);

print (terminal, a);
print (terminal, b);
print (terminal, c);

terminal = print (terminal, a);
terminal = print (terminal, b);
terminal = print (terminal, c);
```

```
Class Terminal;

external classtype;
export all;

void print (Terminal &terminal, int[*] a)
{ . . . }
```

## Hide-And-Seek for Pro's: Global Objects

```
print (terminal, a);
print (terminal, b);
print (terminal, c);

print (a);
print (b);
print (c);

Can we hide the terminal completely?

terminal = print (terminal, a);
terminal = print (terminal, b);
terminal = print (terminal, c);

Class Terminal;
external classtype;
```

```
external classtype;
export all;

objdef Terminal TheTerminal = createTheTerminal ();

void print (int[*] a)
{    print (TheTerminal, a); }

void print (Terminal &terminal, int[*] a)
{    . . . }
```

#### **Dealing with Global Objects**

```
int[n:s] id ( int[n:s] a)
                             Term, int[n:s] id (Term T, int[n:s] a)
   print(a);
                                 T = print(T, a);
    return (a);
                                  return (T, a);
int[n:s] inc (int[n:s] a)
                             Term, int[n:s] inc (Term T, int[n:s] a)
   b = id (a+1);
                                 T, b = id (T, a+1);
    return b;
                                 return (T, b);
int main ()
                             int main ()
    a = inc ([1, 2, 3, 4]);
                                  T = createTheTerminal ();
    return a[0];
                                  T, a = inc (T, [1, 2, 3, 4]);
                                  return a[0];
```

introduces new unique type "stack"

```
defines the representation of the
                                        type "stack"
export all;
                                  make SaC object unique!
   return to stack (genarray ([100], 0));
stack push ( stack s, int val)
    mys = from stack (s);
    tos = mys[0] + 1;
                               create SaC object from a unique
    mys[0] = tos;
                                           one!
    mys[tos] = val;
    return to stack (mys);
```

#### **States in SaC**

```
Class stack;
classtype int[100];
export all;

stack createStack()
{...}
stack push( stack s, int val)
{ ...}
```

```
int main()
{
   S = createStack();
   S = push( S, 10);
   S = push( S, 42);
   ...
}
```

```
use stack: all;
int main()
{
    S = createStack();
    S1 = push( S, 10);
    S2 = push( S, 42);
    ...
}
```

#### **Reference Parameters**

```
Class stack;
classtype int[100];
export all;

declares that a modified version of sis returned

stack createStack()

...}

void push( stack &s, int val)

...}
```

```
use stack: all;
int main()
{
    S = createStack();
    push( S, 10);
    push( S, 42);
    ...
}

use stack: all;

int main()
{
        S = createStack();
        S = push( S, 10);
        S = push( S, 42);
        S = p
```

#### **Global Objects!!**

```
Class stack;
classtype int[100];
export all;

objdef stack myS= createStack();
stack createStack()
{...}
void push(int val)
{ ...myS...}
```

```
use stack: all;
int main()
{
   push(10);
   push(42);
   ...
}

use stack: all;

int main()
{
    myS = createStack();
    myS = push( myS, 10);
    myS = push( myS, 42);
   ...
}
```

## **Example from the Stdlib:**

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Stdlib / src / system / Terminal.sac

sbscholz partially adapted to the new object syntax.

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```
23 lines (15 sloc) 612 Bytes
      class Terminal;
      external classtype;
      export all except { create_TheTerminal};
  6
      objdef Terminal TheTerminal = create_TheTerminal( );
  8
  9
 10

    The global object TheTerminal of class Terminal serv

 11
       * for a terminal screen. It is derived from the global
 12
       * order to represent this part or sub-world of the exe
       * It is also used to synchronise the standard I/O stre
 14
       * and stderr.
 15
 16
      */
 17
      external Terminal create TheTerminal();
 18
          #pragma effect World::TheWorld
 19
         #pragma linksign[0]
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 21
         #pragma linkobj "src/Terminal/terminal.o"
 22
```

Stdlib / src / stdio / TermFile.sac Branch: master •



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sbscholz created wrapper functions for TermFile.sac

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```
207 lines (163 sloc)
                             6 KB
            class TermFile;
         2
            external classtype;
         4
            use String : {string};
            use Terminal : { TheTerminal };
         7
            export all except { createStdIn, createStdOut, createStdErr};
         8
        9
        10
            objdef TermFile stdin = createStdIn();
       11
            objdef TermFile stdout = createStdOut();
        12
        13
external void printf(string FORMAT, ...);
   #pragma effect TheTerminal, stdout
    #pragma linkname "SACprintf TF"
   #pragma linkobj "src/TermFile/printf.o"
    /*
    * Print formatted output to STREAM which must be open for writing.
    * The syntax of format strings is identical to that known from C.
    * This function may be used to print values of types
     * char, string, int, float, and double.
     */
        25
            external TermFile createStdOut();
        26
        27
                #pragma effect TheTerminal
                #pragma linkname "SAC_create_stdout"
        28
                #pragma linkobj "src/TermFile/stdstreams.o"
        29
```

#pragma linksign [0]

# Reference Counting and Uniqueness Types ala SaC vs Ownership in Rust

```
SaC: int[.] myMod( int[.] a) ...

=> may need explicit copy!

stack push( stack s, int val) ...

fn push( stack: &mut int, val: int)
-> &mut int {...}

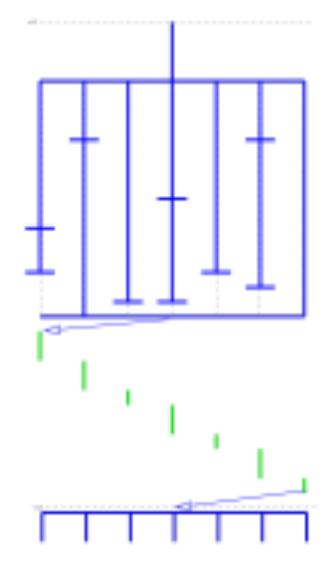
int inspect( &stack s) ...

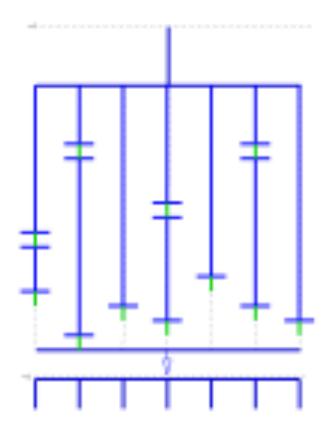
fn inspect( stack: & int) -> int {...}
```

#### Uniqueness / Mutable references and Parallelism

```
int[4] myNewFun (int[2] iv)
   // complex code
   print( res); // just for debugging !!
    return res;
int main()
  a = with {
        ([0,0] \le iv \le [100,100]) : myNewFun (iv);
      }: genarray( [100,100], def);
```

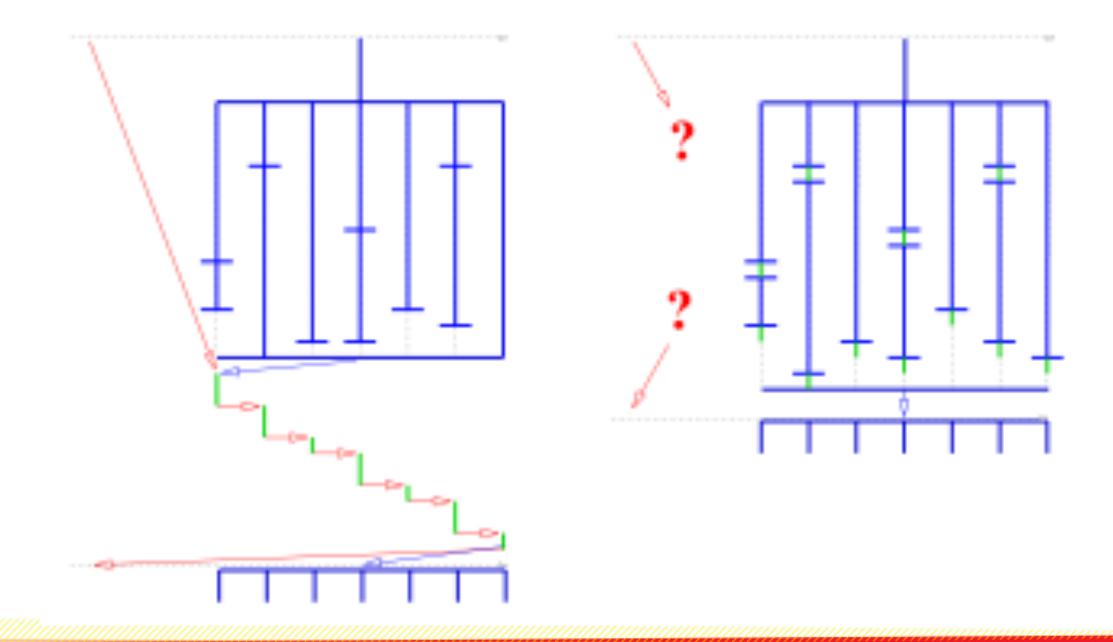
# **Asynchronous I/O?**



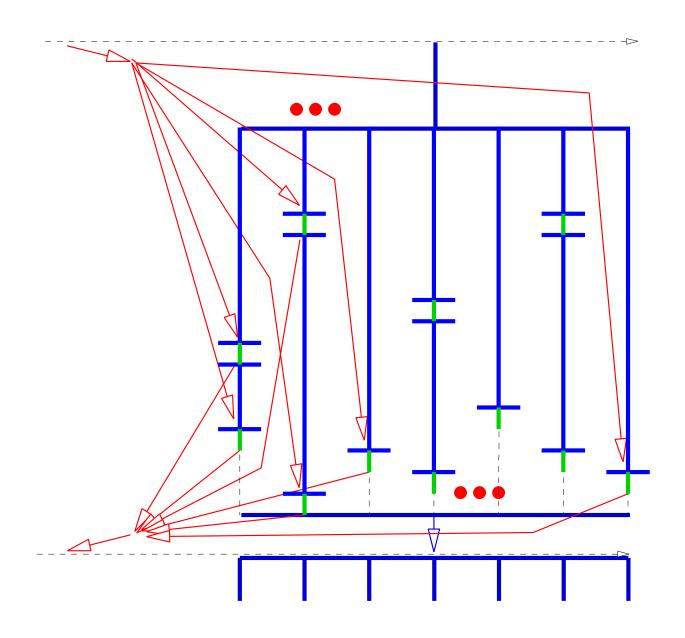


- scales with #cores
- improves debugging
- enables visualisation

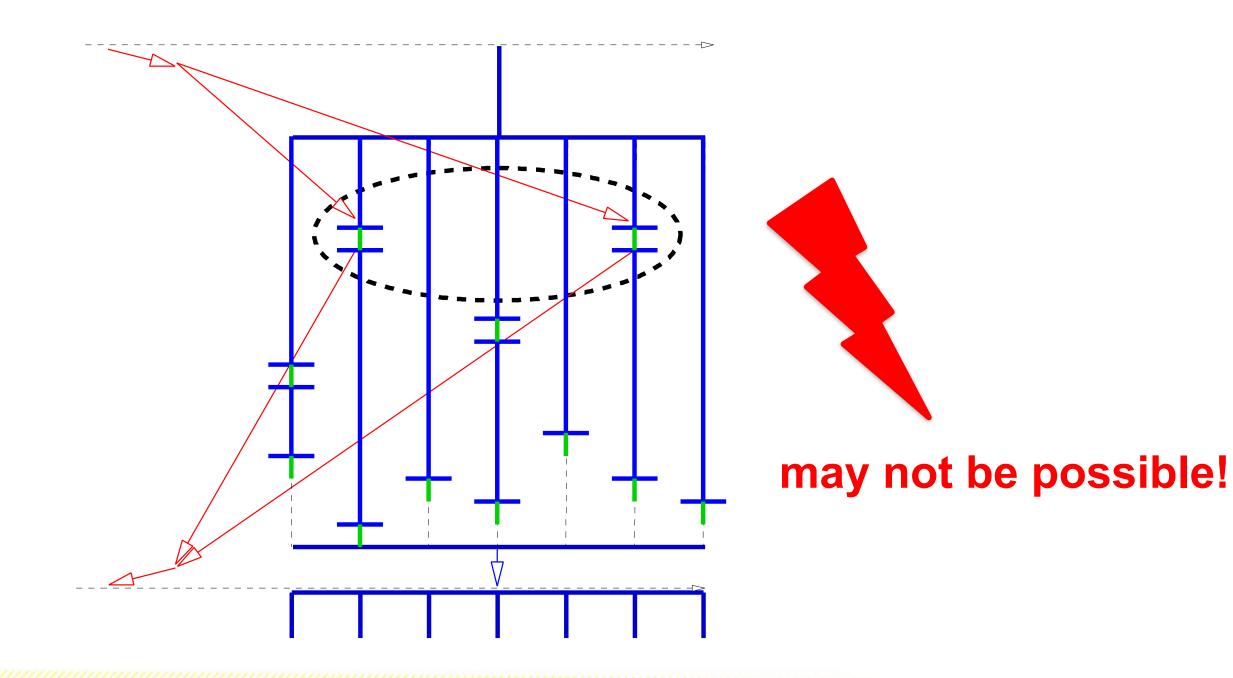
# But how to model the data dependencies?



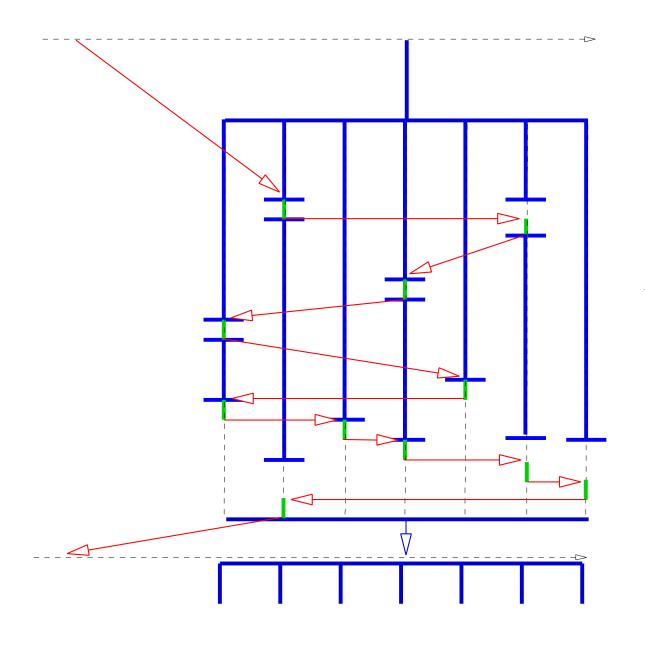
# **Attempt #1: Split State**



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#### **Solution: Non-Deterministic Order!**



# [HerSchoGrel09] Controlling chaos — on safe side-effects in data-parallel operations

S. Herhut, S.-B. Scholz, C. Grelck (2009). In 4th Workshop on Declarative Aspects of Multicore Programming (DAMP'09), Savannah, USA. pp. 59–67. ACM Press.



#### **Practical Consequence**

```
with {
    ([0] <= [i] <[10]) {
        printf( "Hi, I am # %d\n", i);
    }
} : void
is legal SaC!!</pre>
```

#### **Practical Consequence**

```
with {
  ([0] \leftarrow [i] \leftarrow [10])
     printf( "Hi, I am # %d\n", i);
} : void ;
                               translates into
stdout = with {
             ([0] \leftarrow [i] \leftarrow [10])
                stdout = printf( stdout,
                                    "Hi, I am # %d\n", i);
             } : stdout;
           } : propagate( stdout);
```

#### **Controlled Side-Effects**

```
double[n] findSolutions (int[m] moves)
  if (isSolution (moves)) {
    res = [computeValue (moves)];
  } else {
    possible moves = findMoves (moves);
    res = with {
              ([0] \le [i] \le \text{shape (possible moves)}) 
                incNumTries ();
             } : findSolutions (moves++possible moves[i]);
          } : fold (++, []);
  return res;
```

#### Non-Determinism

```
double[n] findSolutions (int[m] moves)
  if (isSolution (moves)) {
    res = [ computeValue (moves)];
    setSolFound ();
  } else {
    possible moves = findMoves (moves);
    res = with {
              ([0] \le [i] \le \text{shape (possible moves)})
               done = solFound();
               if (!done) incNumTries ();
             } : done? [] : findSolutions (moves++possible moves[i]);
          } : fold (++, []);
  return res;
```