# Scala.js Towards Utopia

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## Make Change Easier

## Agenda

Part 1
Scala.js introduction

Part 2
Collaborative text editing with WOOT

Part 3
SBT, calling to and from Javascript...

### Two Ideas

Gradually introduce Scala.js to an existing code base

Distributed data types are fun & a great fit with Scala.js

- Part 1 -

## 5 Minute Scala.js Intro

## scala-js.org



We also have a standalone distribution that doesn't require SBT.

Note that Scala.js is not part of the Typesafe Reactive platform. Thus, although we consider Scala.js productionready, Typesafe does not provide any commercial support for it.

#### **Noteworthy features**

- Support all of Scala (including macros!), modulo a few semantic differences
- Very good interoperability with JavaScript code. For example, use jQuery and HTML5 from your Scala.js
   code either in a typed or untyped way. Or create Scala is objects and call their methods from JavaScript

#### Your Scala App Here

SBT Plugin



JavaScript

Std Lib

Libs, Macros...

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**JavaScript** 

DOM

jQuery...

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Ported	New	Typed JS Bindings
Scalaz	Scalatags	scalajs-dom
ScalaCheck	uTest	scalajs-jquery
shapeless	uPickle	scalajs-react
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## Five Basic Steps

addSbtPlugin("org.scala-js" % "sbt-scalajs" % "0.6.3")

Write Scala

@JSExport what you want expose

sbt>fastOptJs

Use resulting .js file

```
// Scala
def answer = Option(41).map(_ + 1)
```

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// Scala
def answer = 0ption(41) map(_ + 1)
// JavaScript
(function() {
  var o = Option() \cdot apply(41);
  if (o.isEmpty()) {
    var answer = None()
  } else {
    var arg1 = o.get();
    var answer =
      new Some().init(1 + arg1);
  };
  return answer
});
```

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    var x$1 = $uI(arg1);
    var answer =
      new sc_sSome().init___0(((1 + x$1) | 0))
  return answer
});
```

### Features

Fast Compiler

Optimized Output (this app: 295k)

Resulting JS is Fast

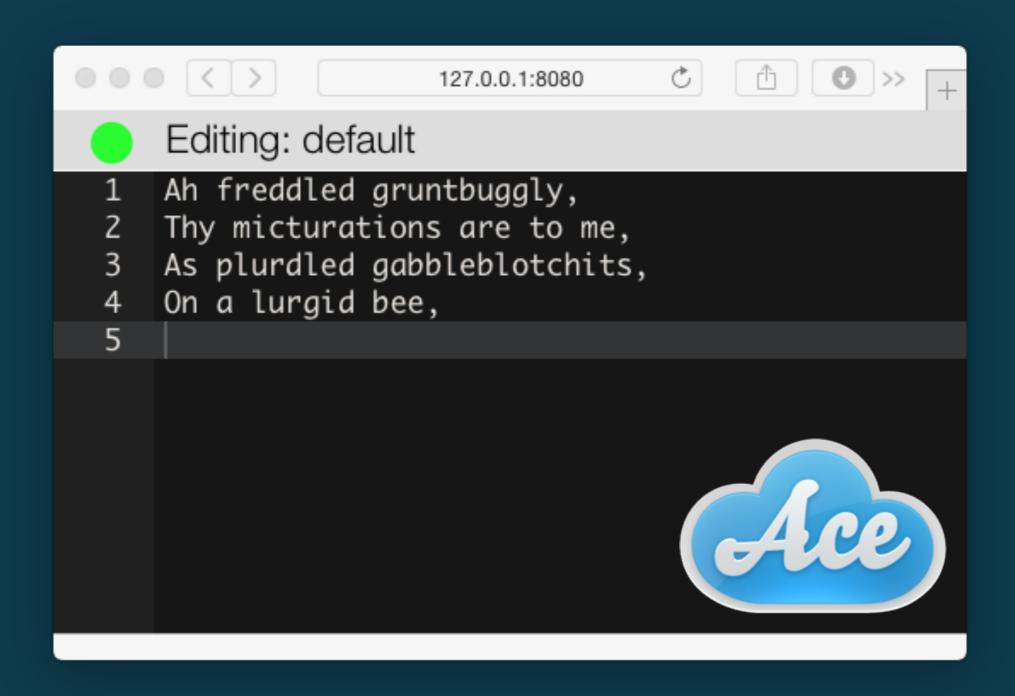
Great interop with JS

Community

## Not a Framework

- Part 2 -

## Collaborative App







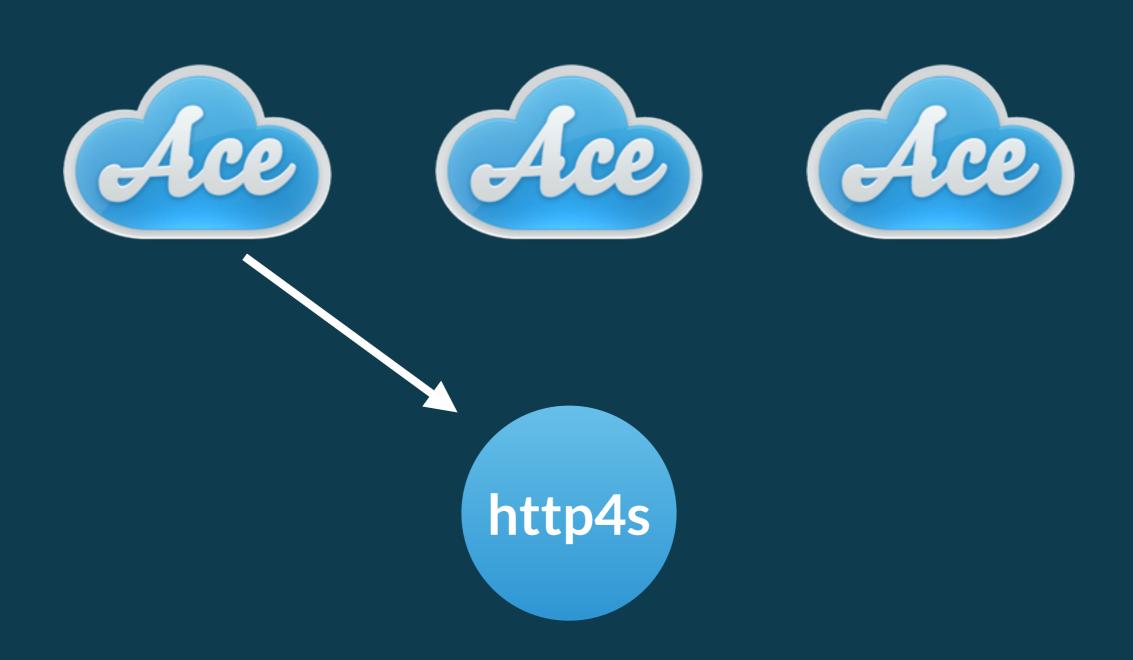


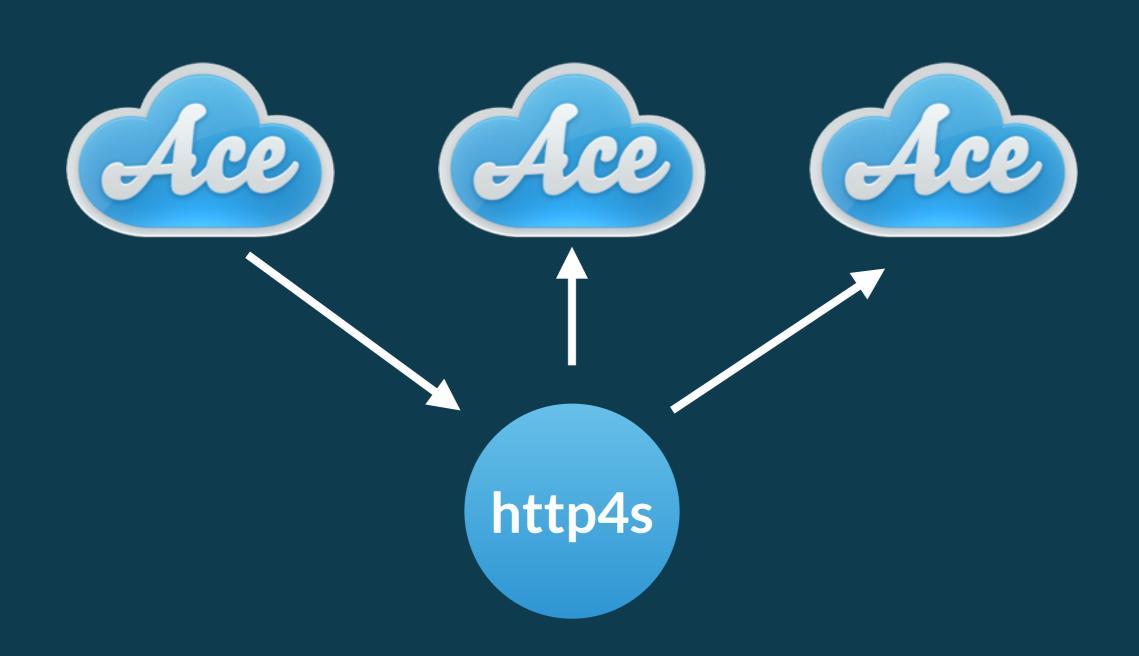


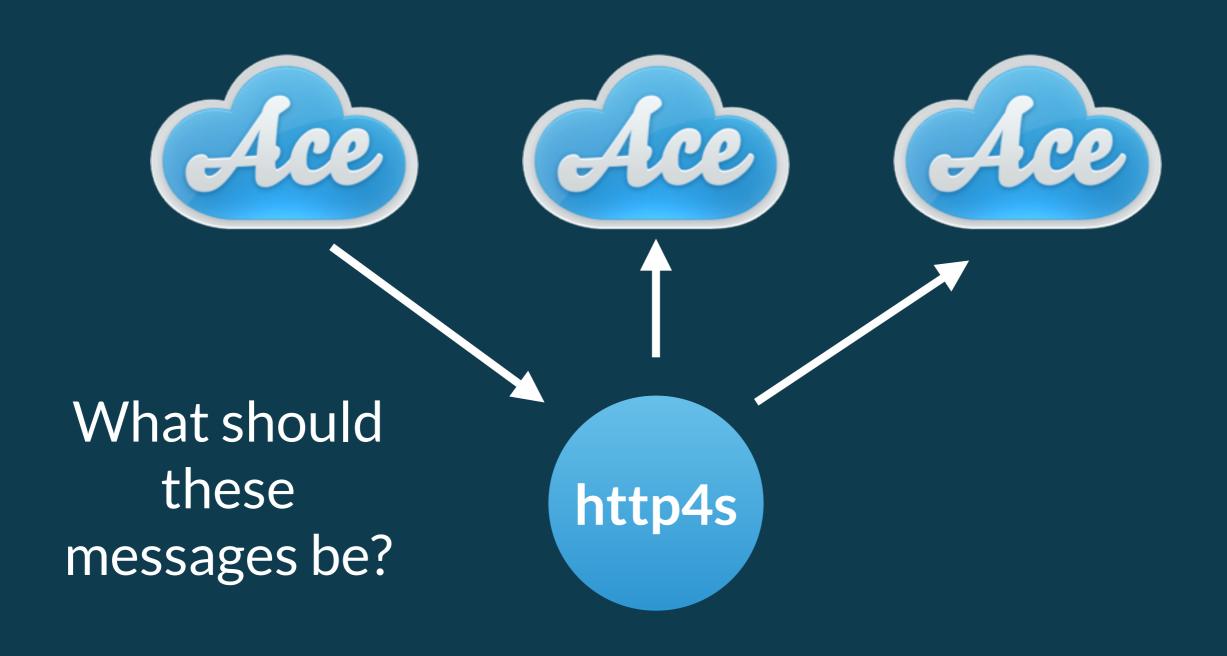












Alice's View

C	A	${f T}$	
1	2	3	

Bob's View

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Bob's View

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insert H@2

C	H	A	T	
1	2	3	4	

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Bob's View

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delete 3

C	A		
1	2		

Alice's View

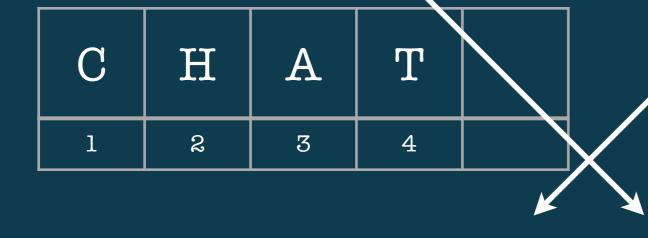
Bob's View

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1	2	3	

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delete 3



C	A		
1	2		

C H T

CH	A		
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## Commutative Replicated Data Type

Alice's View

C	A	T	
1	2	3	

Bob's View

C	A	T	
1	2	3	

Alice's View

C	A	Т	
1	2	3	

C < H < A

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Bob's View

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Bob's View

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Delete T

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1	2		

Alice's View

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2

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C H A

Bob's View

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Delete T

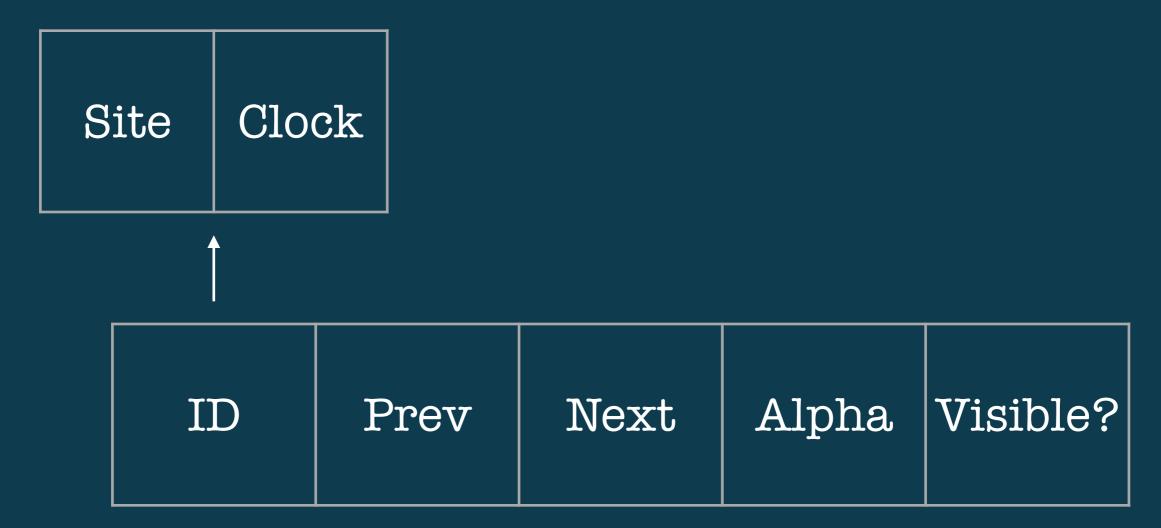
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C H A

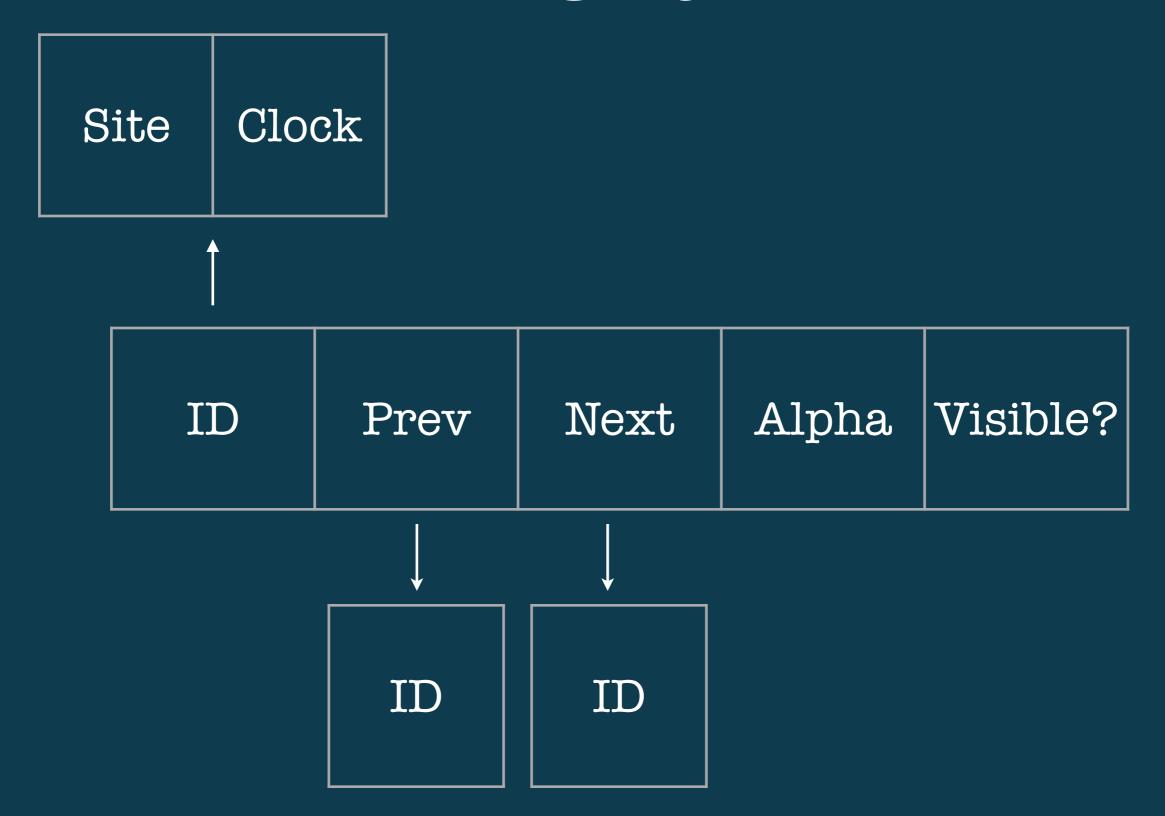
## WChar

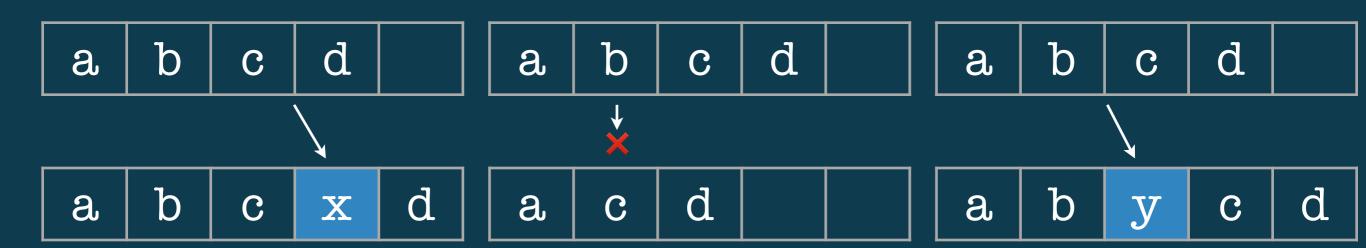
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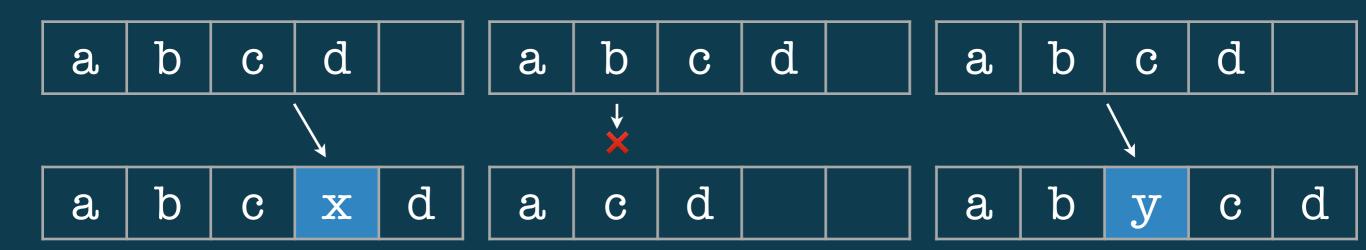
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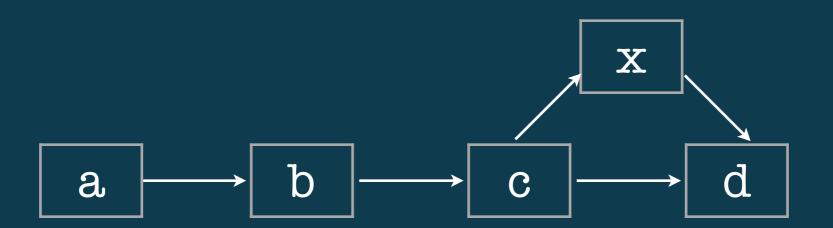


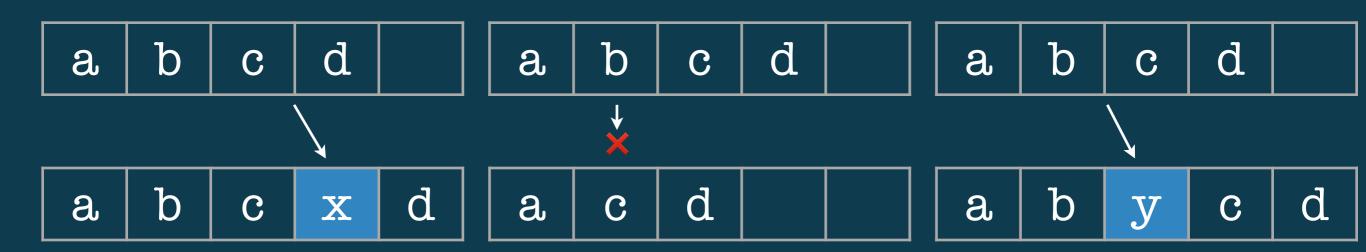
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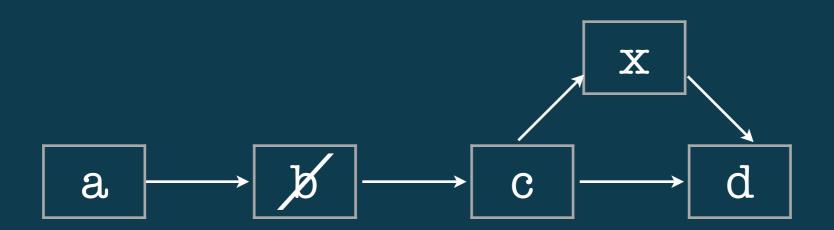


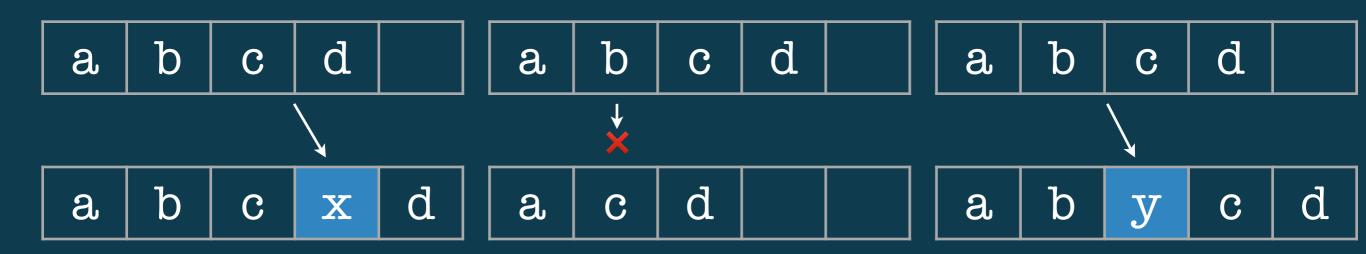


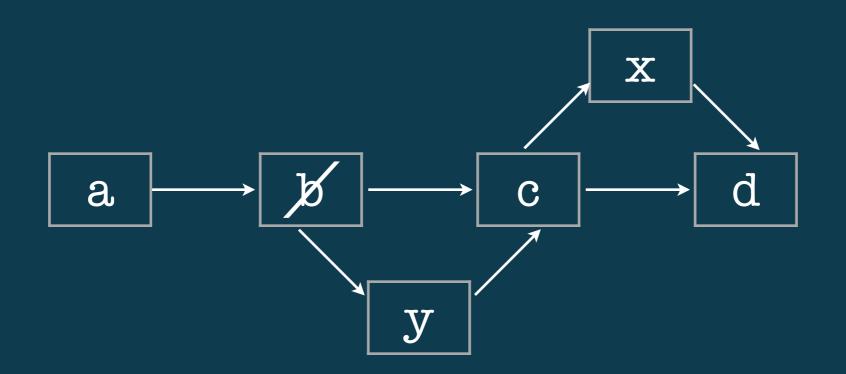












### In JavaScript

Algorithm ~ 200 lines, 7.5k

Tests ~ 200 lines

+ require.js, underscore.js, jasmine

# But now we have two problems

# We're going to look at...

Local Insert

Remote Ingest

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(WString, Char, Pos) => (WString, WChar)

Remote Ingest

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#### Local Insert

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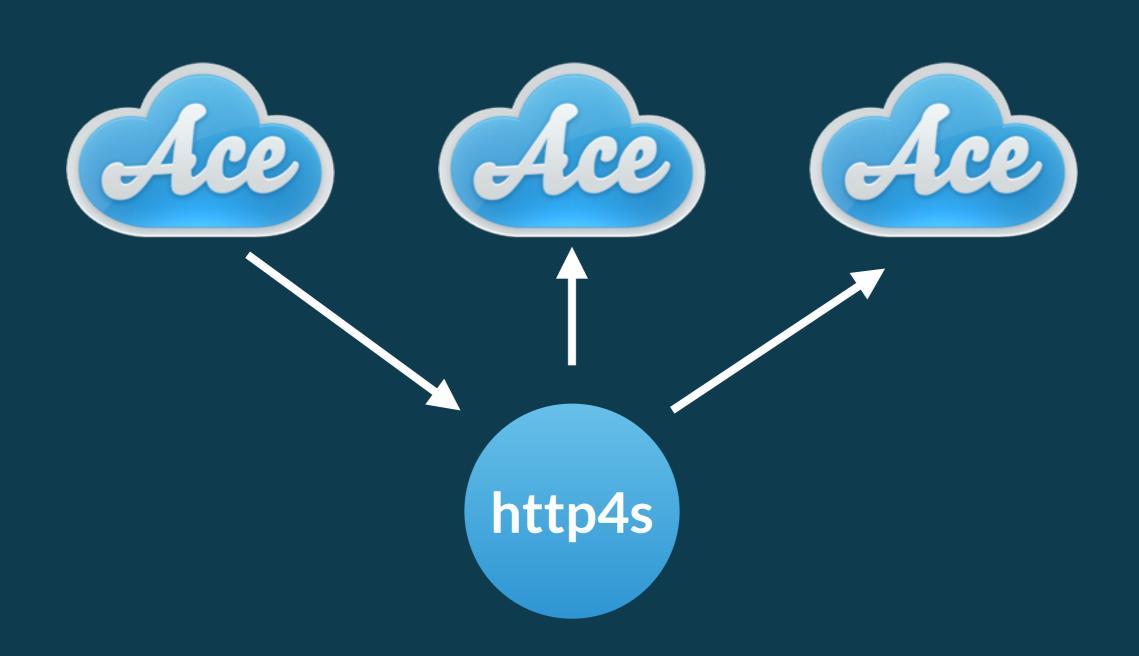
#### Remote Ingest

```
(WString, WChar) => WString
```

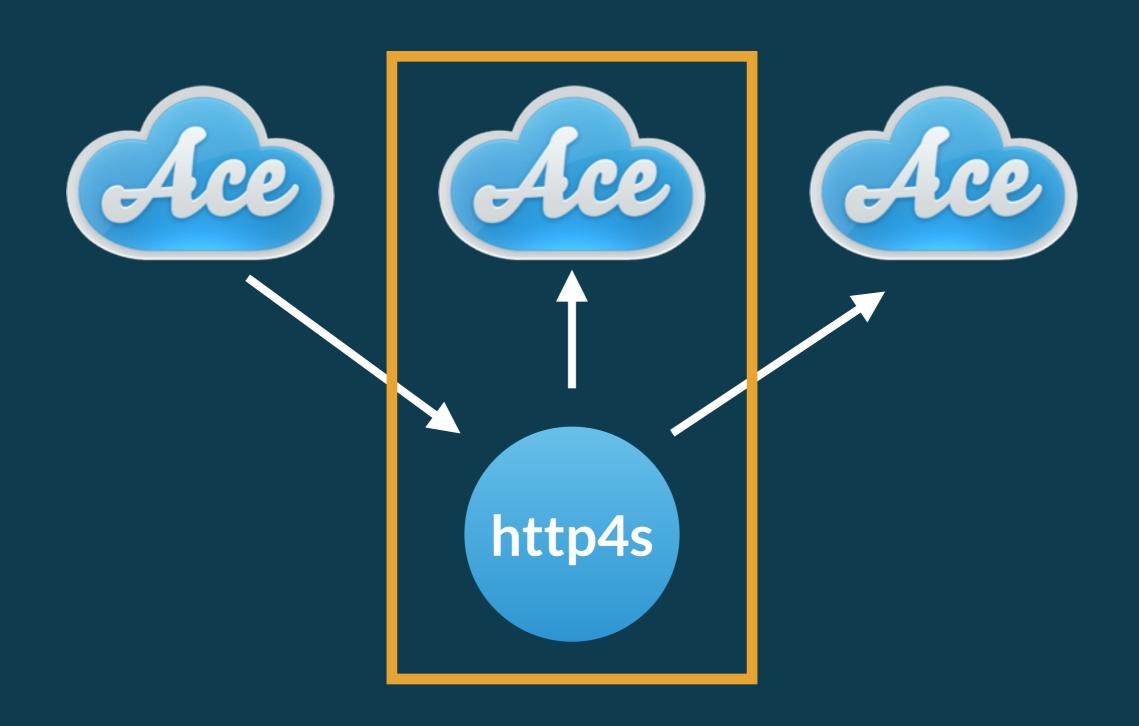
— Part 3 —

# Migrating to Scala.js

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**Editor UI** 



WOOT

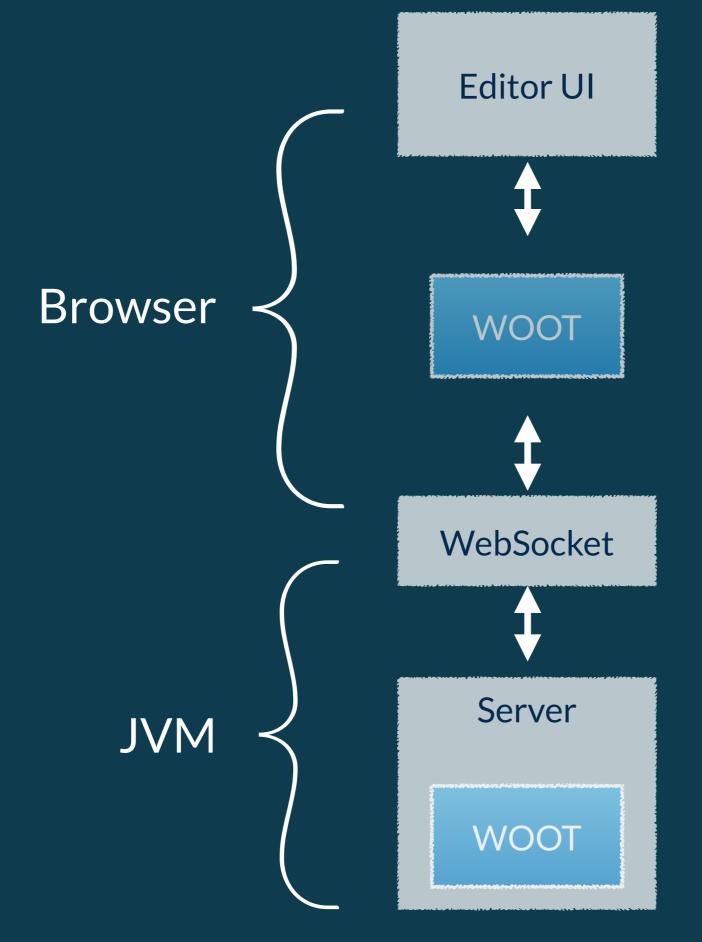


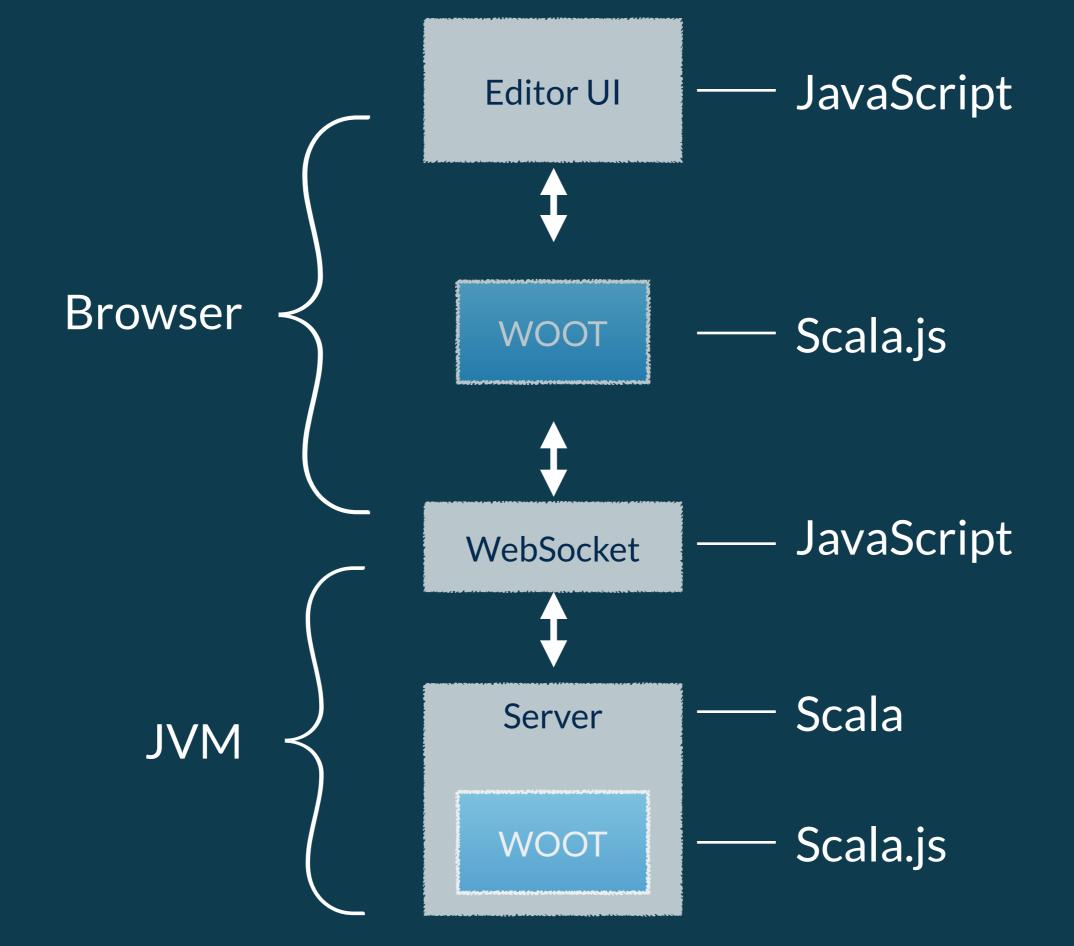
WebSocket

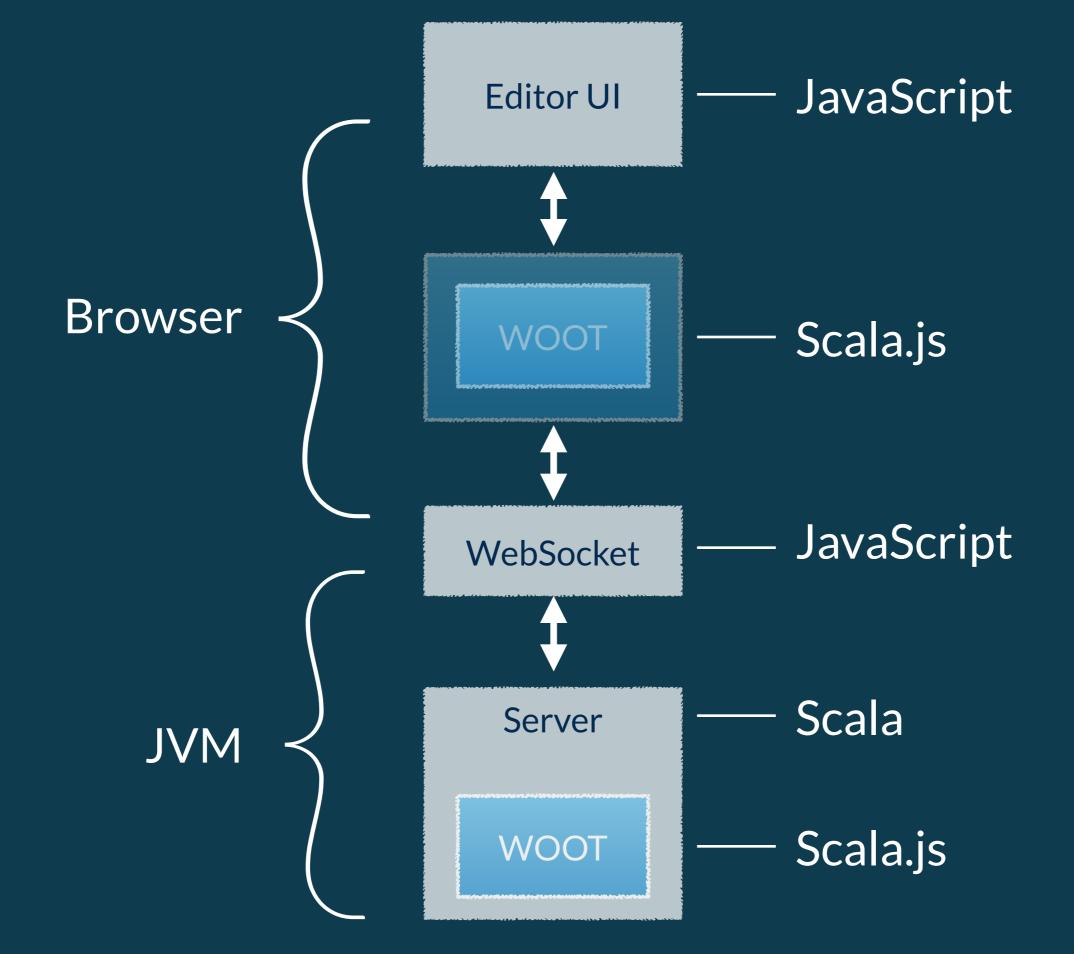


Server

WOOT







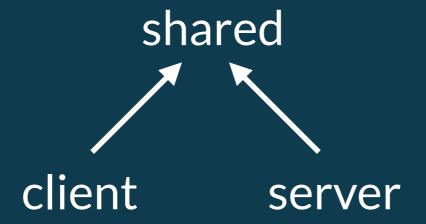
**Editor UI** 

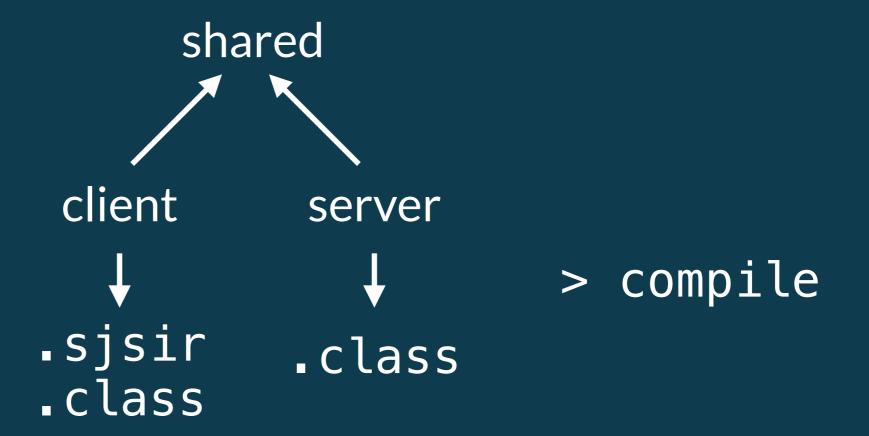
Client Wrapper

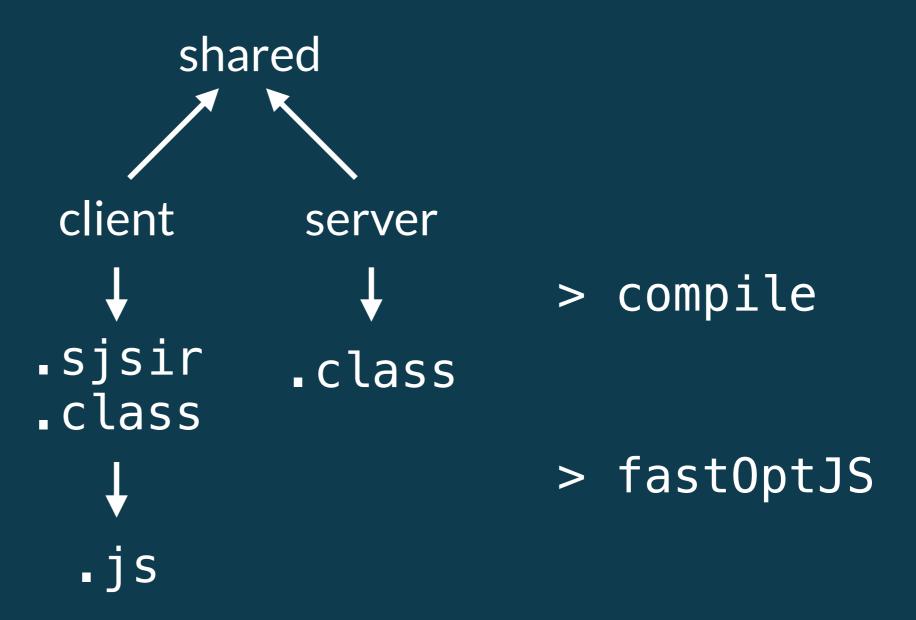
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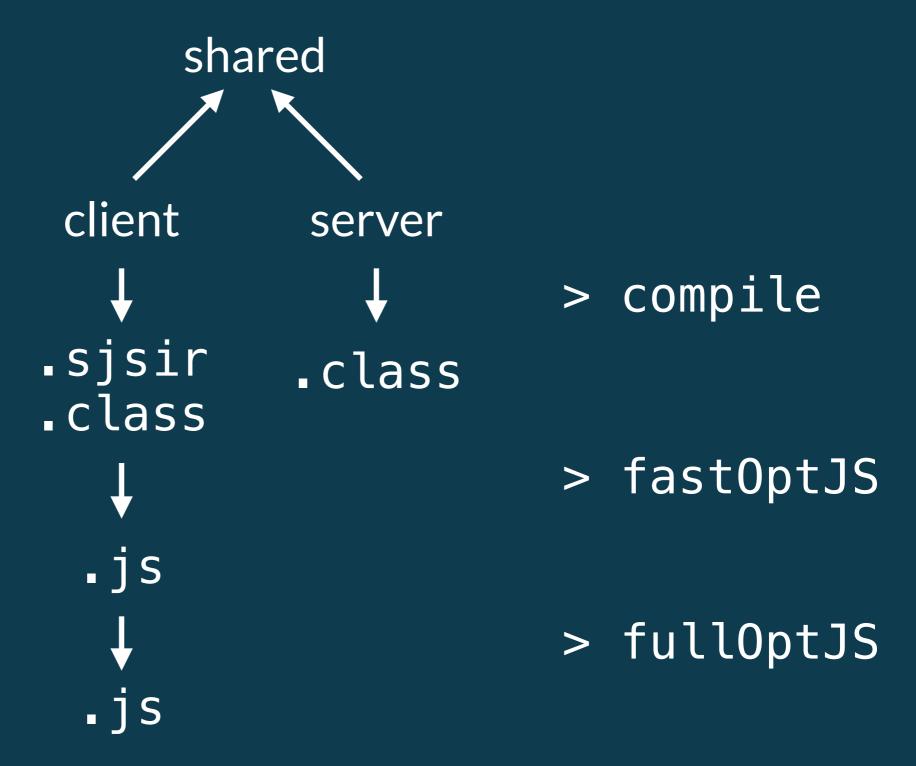
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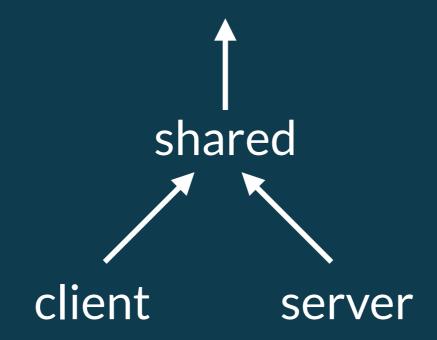






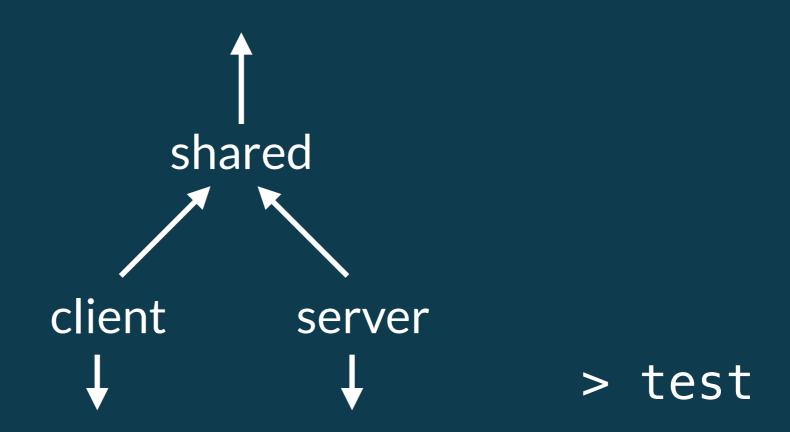
#### ScalaCheck

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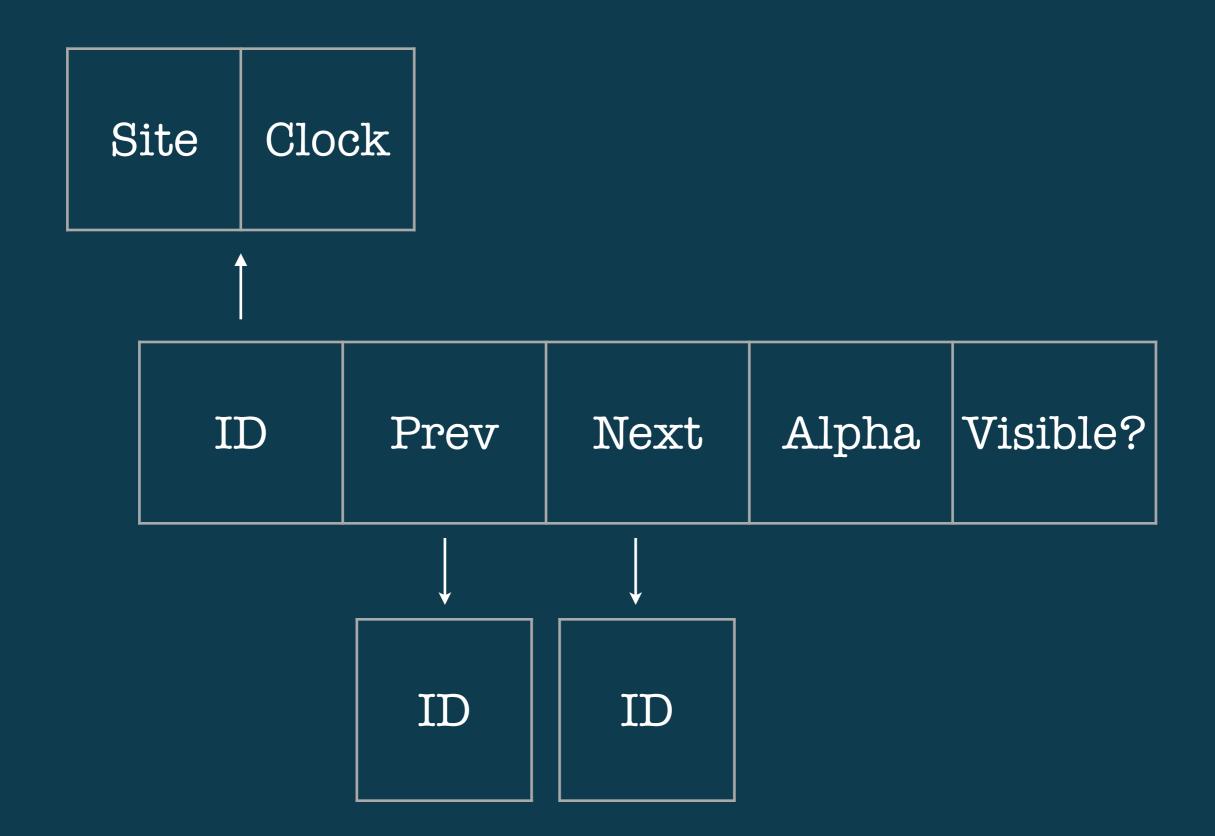


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```
[info] + Local insert preserves original text: OK, passed 250 tests.
[info] + Insert order is irrelevant: OK, passed 250 tests.
[info] + Inserting produces consistent text: OK, passed 250 tests.
[info] + Insert is idempotent: OK, passed 250 tests.
```



```
// Scala
import scala.scalajs.js
import js.annotation.JSExport
@JSExport
case class WChar(
         id: Id,
      alpha: Byte,
       prev: Id,
       next: Id,
  isVisible: Boolean = true)
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// HTML + JavaScript
<script src="client-fastopt.js">
<script>
  var char = new WChar(...)
</script>
```

# OK, but...

Can't this whole API be easier to use?

```
case class WChar(
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    isVisible: Boolean = true)
```

#### Semantics = Scala

#### There are differences

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JavaScript has no Char

toString differences

...not as many as you think

### Wrapper Solution

```
package client
import js.annotation.JSExport
import woot.WString
@JSExport
class WootClient() {
  var doc = WString.empty()
  @JSExport
  def insert(s: String, pos: Int): Json = ???
  @JSExport
  def ingest(json: Json): Unit = ???
```

```
sealed trait Operation {
  def wchar: WChar
}

case class InsertOp(override val wchar: WChar) extends Operation
case class DeleteOp(override val wchar: WChar) extends Operation
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import upickle._

// Produce JSON
val op: Operation = ???
val json = write(op)
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// Consume JSON
Try(read[Operation](json)).map( op => ...)
```

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["woot.InsertOp", { "wchar": {
         "id": ["woot.CharId", {...}],
     "alpha": "*",
      "prev": ["woot.Beginning", {}],
      "next": ["woot.Ending", {}]}
```

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  @JSExport
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```

```
@JSExport
class WootClient() {
  var doc = WString.empty()
  @JSExport
  def insert(s: String, pos: Int): Json = {
    val (op, wstring) = doc.insert(s.head, pos)
    doc = wstring
    write(op)
  @JSExport
  def ingest(json: Json): Unit = ???
```

```
import org.scalajs.dom
val element = dom.document.getElementById("editor")
```

```
import org.scalajs.dom
val element = dom.document.getElementById("editor")
// DANGER! Run away.
// Unsafe access to Ace's API
val ace = js.Dynamic.global.ace
ace edit("editor")
   .getSession()
   .getDocument()
   setValue("We have control")
// Risk JS Uncaught type error
```

```
@JSExport
class WootClient() {
  var doc = WString.empty()

  @JSExport
  def ingest(json: Json): Unit = ???
}
```

```
@JSExport
class WootClient(f: js.Function2[String,Boolean,Unit]) {
  var doc = WString.empty()

  @JSExport
  def ingest(json: Json): Unit = ???
```

```
@JSExport
class WootClient(f: js.Function2[String,Boolean,Unit]) {
```

```
// JavaScript
var updateEditor = function(s, isVisible) {...
```

```
@JSExport
class WootClient(f: js.Function2[String,Boolean,Unit]) {
  var doc = WString.empty()

  @JSExport
  def ingest(json: Json): Unit =
    Try(read[Operation](json)).foreach(applyOperation)

  def applyOperation(op: Operation): Unit = ???
```

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  def applyOperation(op: Operation): Unit = {
    val (ops, wstring) = doc.integrate(op)
    // Become the updated document:
    doc = wstring
    // Side effects:
    ops.foreach {
      case InsertOp(ch) => f(ch.alpha.toString, true)
      case DeleteOp(ch) => f(ch.alpha.toString, false)
```

```
def integrate(op: Operation): (Vector[Operation], WString) = op match {
  // - Don't insert the same ID twice:
  case InsertOp(c,_) if chars.exists(_.id == c.id) => (Vector.empty, this)
  // - Insert can go ahead if the next & prev exist:
  case InsertOp(c,_) if canIntegrate(op) =>
    val (ops, doc) = integrate(c, c.prev, c.next).dequeue()
    (op +: ops, doc)
  // - We can delete any char that exists:
  case DeleteOp(c,_) if canIntegrate(op) => (Vector(op), hide(c))
  // - Anything else goes onto the queue for another time:
                                         => (Vector.empty, enqueue(op))
  case _
 @scala.annotation.tailrec
 private def integrate(c: WChar, before: Id, after: Id): WString = {
  // Looking at all the characters between the previous and next positions:
  subseq(before, after) match {
  // - when where's no option about where to insert, perform the insert
  case Vector() => ins(c, index0f(after))
  // - when there's a choice, locate an insert point based on `Id.<`
  case search: Vector[WChar] =>
   val L: Vector[Id] = before +: trim(search).map(_.id) :+ after
   val i = math.max(1, math.min(L.length-1, L.takeWhile(_ < c.id).length))</pre>
    integrate(c, L(i-1), L(i))
```

#### What we've Seen

Multi-project build ✓

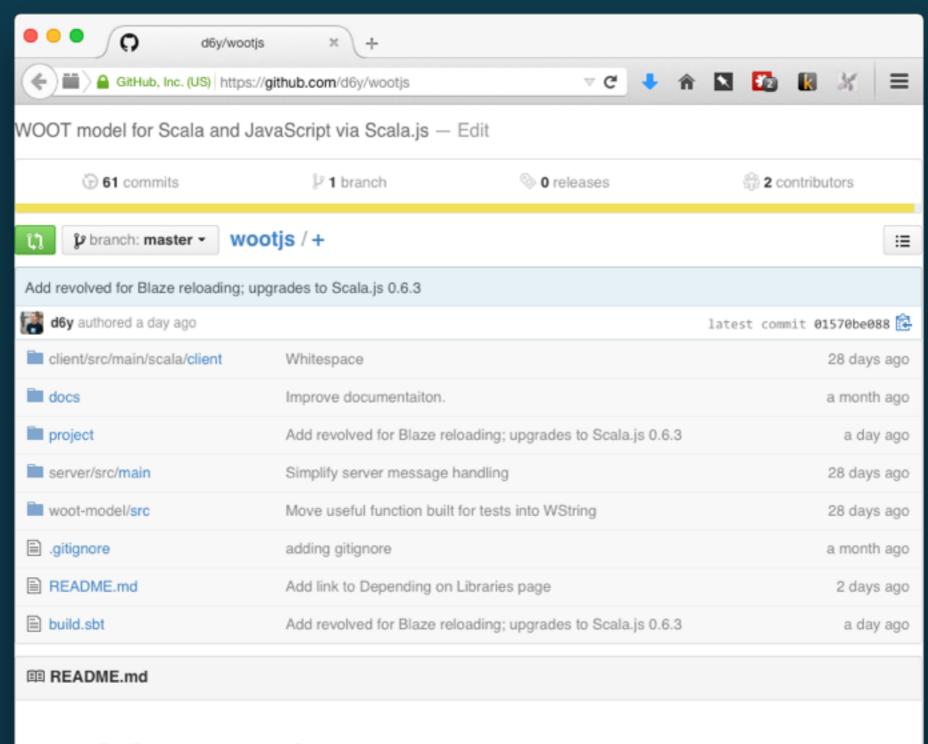
Wrote Scala, ran it both places ✓

Great interop (call JS, be called by JS) ✓

Dirty dirty dynamic calls √

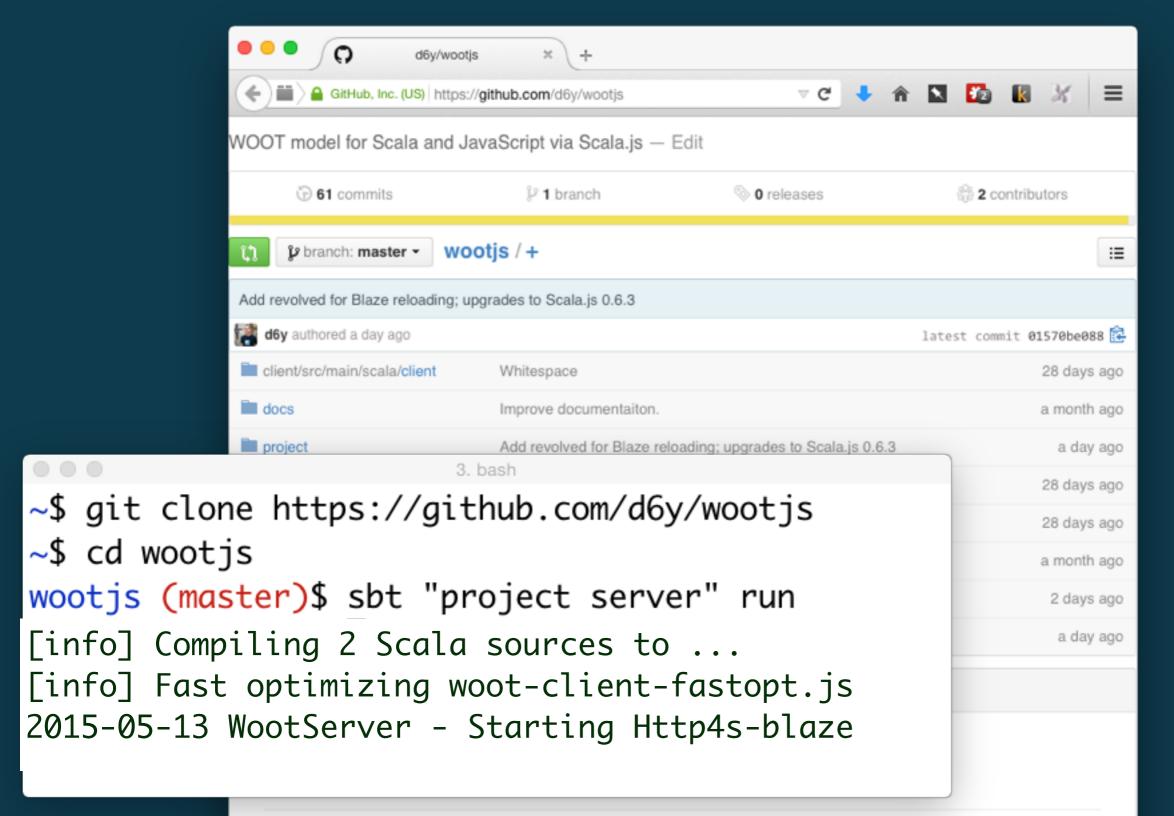
Used cross-compiled libraries ✓

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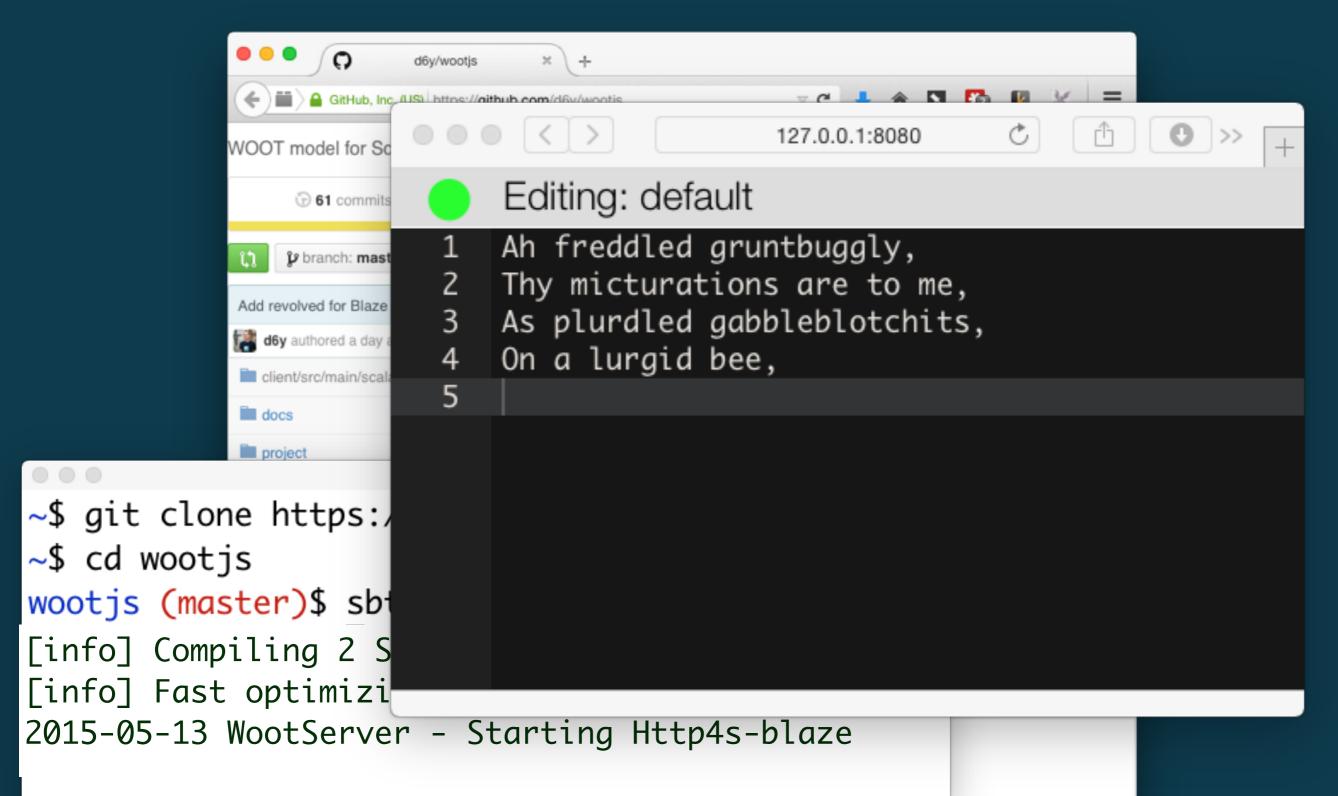


WOOT with Scala.js

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#### Benefits?

IDE support

Single language

Write once, run both places

# "It's the types, stupid"

# Make Change Easier

#### Two Ideas

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#### Thanks!

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