- Motivation
- Overspecification and plasticity
- Initial insights
- Framework

Relieving overspecification through plastic zones

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Motivation

 Old vision (rigid, fragile) vs new vision (plastic, maleable)

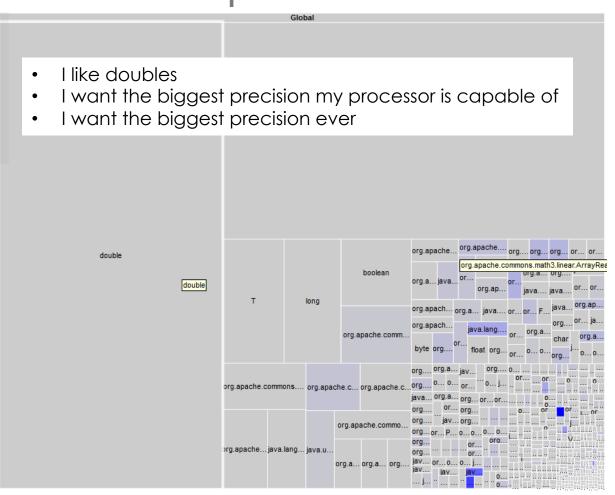




This is what we do at



Variable Space Math 3.2



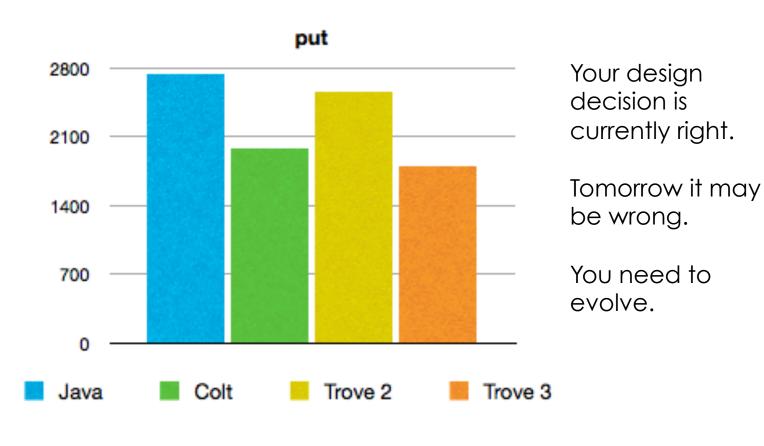
We counted all variables in the project.

The bigger the box, the more variables of the type

Less inheritors

More inheritors

Use case, speed evolution of Trove



The problem

- Developers don't want to overspecify
- Languages forces to
- You can always create new languages
- But eventually you will over-specify with them because of the capabilities given
- The language updates
- Then you must update your laaaaaaarge codebase.
- Or you can embed the capability to adapt at runtime according to your new needs

Overspec/plasticity

Q: Where in the code we find plasticity?

A: In over-specified zones

Current programs are not an specification of the solution:

They are an **over-specification** of the solution.

- An over-specified zone can be changed
- If we know how, then is a plastic zone



Novelty: Realizing that over-specification ~ plasticity.

Our ambition...

To find new ways of **executing** code that constantly and **dynamically** adapting existing code bases without changing its functional properties



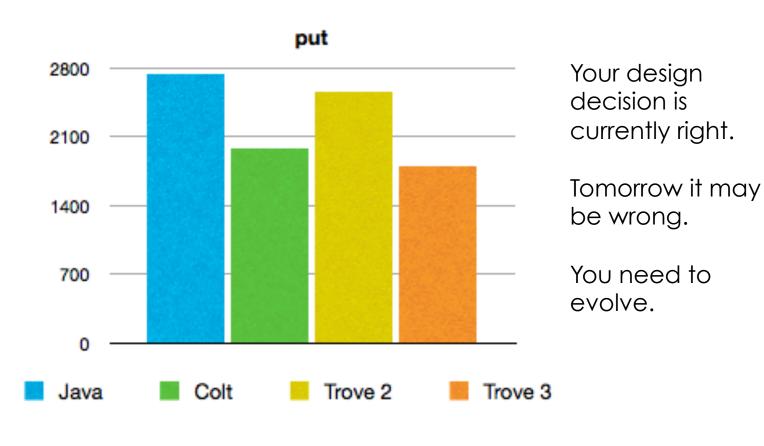
- Plastic zones exist in already made code bases
- Since we control the MOC to be variability aware, we know when and what to change. This improvements aren't static they are dynamic

Differences with refactoring the code base

- Transformations can be only done in compilation (build time)
- Can alter the behavior of programs not designed for an specific purpose in runtime.
- You don't have to change the code if you can adapt the code execution

Use cases

Use case, speed evolution of Trove



Parallelization

 Separate the definitions the most possible of the uses

```
List<Data> datas = new List<>()
for ( Equis x : equis ) {
    Data d = lengthyCalculation(x);
    d *= 5;
    datas.add (d);
}

List<Future<Data>> datas = new List<>()
for ( Equis x : equis ) {
    Future<Data> d = lengthyCalculation(x);
    datas.add(d);
    Future<data> d1 = data * Future<5>;
}
for (Future<Data> d : datas) d.resolve();
```

Use case, obfuscation

- 1. Transform the code
- 2. Execute the code using a different MOC

Use case, obfuscation

```
LINENUMBER 48 L1
   ICONST 0
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L2
   ILOAD 3
   ALOAD 1
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   ARRAYLENGTH
   IF ICMPGE L3
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   ILOAD 3
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   IINC 3 1
   GOTO L2
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   LINENUMBER 53 L3
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   ALOAD 2
   INVOKEINTERFACE org/apache/commons/math3/analysis/differentiation/MultivariateDifferentiableVectorFunction.value ([Lor
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Software Synthesizers

 Math function with a very fancy GUI where user input parameters

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 The function constantly produces array of numbers that are sent to the sound card. The bigger the array, the better the quality

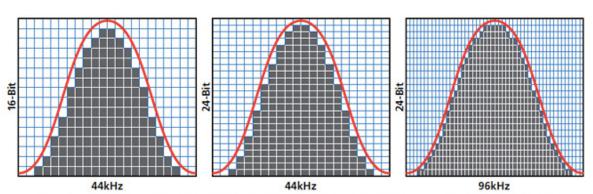
```
for (int i = 0; i < arraySize; i++) {
    bufferToTheSoundCard[i] = magicSynthetizeFunction(userParams, i)
}
magicSendToSoundCard(bufferToTheSoundCard[i)</pre>
```

Sound quality trade-off

- More elements in the array, more quality of sound
- Less elements in the array, faster processing, less consumption

Higher quality of sound!!

Bit depth = Type of the buffer array

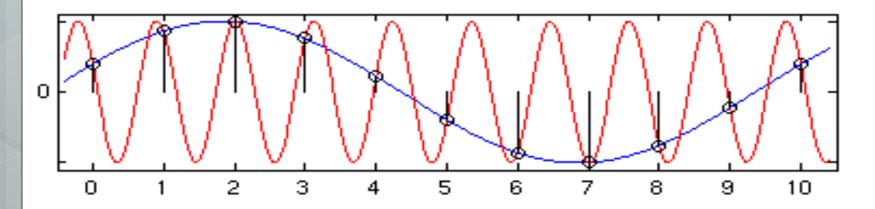


As Bit depth and sample rate increase, more information is captured, this resulting in higher quality audio.

Less memory, energy and CPU consumption

Sample rate = Size of the buffer array (number of elements)

Never under sample! i.e.: make the array large enough to digitalize the desired sound



Under sampling can result in complete lost of sound.



Sound we got



Sound we wanted to digitalize

New SoC synths, new problem



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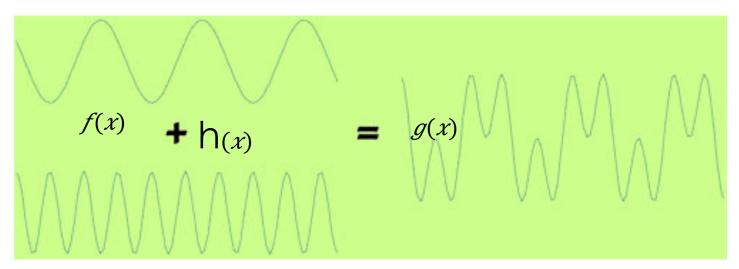


Pioneer XDJ-RX

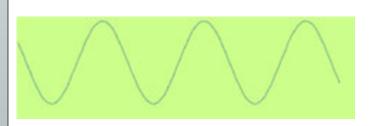
The market is moving towards inserting Systems on a Chip in the instruments. These SoCs run software synthesizers inside with a GPU

Plasticity application

 Music synthesizers can be decomposed into simpler functions that does not need such high resolution like in additive synthesis technique

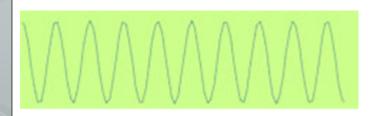


Plasticity application



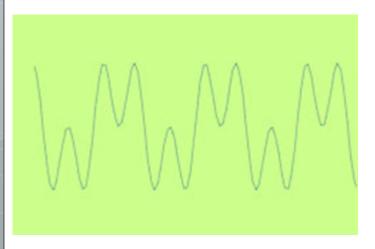
f(x)

Here you don't need that much sample rate. LOOP PERFORATION



h(x)

Here you don't need that much bit depth! TYPE PLASTICITY



g(x)

To produce this we need f(x) + g(x) so lets send h(x) to the GPU!

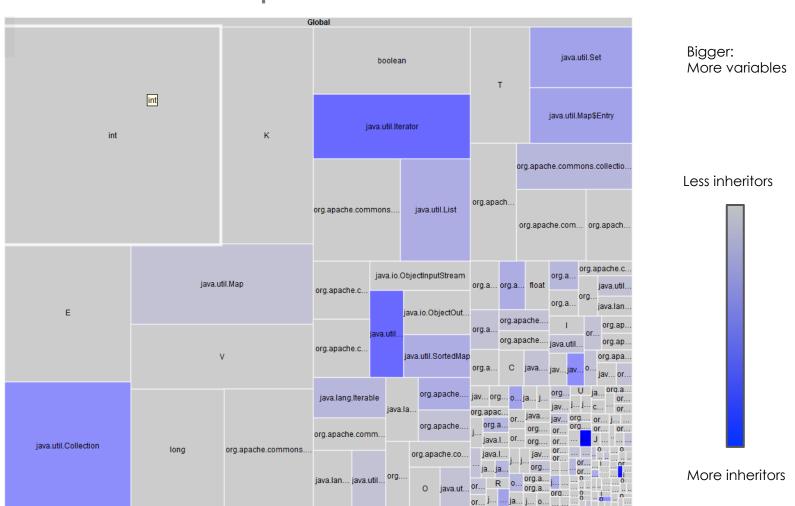
CONCURRENCY PLASTICITY

What kinds of plastic zones they are?

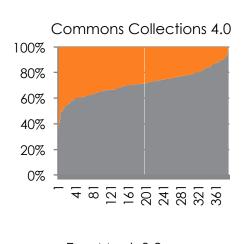
By no means this is a definitive list:

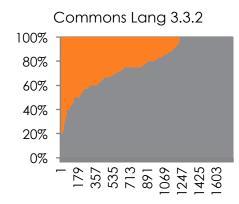
- Concurrency plasticity
- Type plasticity (a super case of polymorphism)
- Abstract construction (source code) plasticity

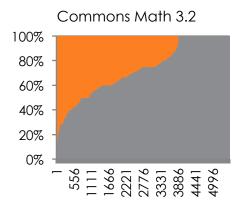
Variable Space Collections 4.0

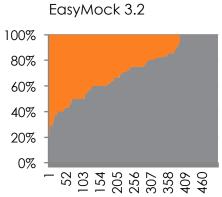


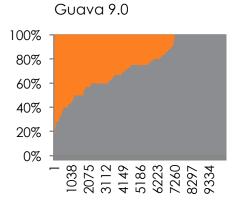
Concurrency plasticity (Overapproximated)



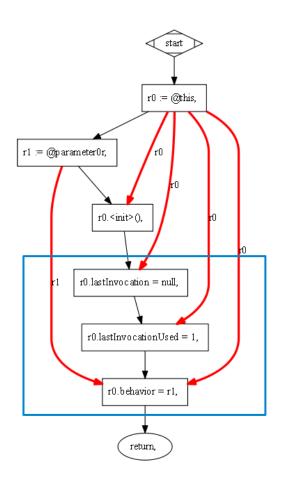








Control and data flow



Context aware, Context Free

- Obfuscator, Parallelization Context Free.
 - They only depend on the code
- Type and Synthesizers: Context aware
 - They depend on external information to the code

Perspectives

How to play with

Mining repositories to indentify plastic zones



Trying to use a Hashmap<Integer, Integer>

```
how would I increment the key [i] by 1 in this situation every time I run through this for loop with
        the way I currently have it set up all the elements only get mapped to 1. I am trying to find out
        how many times each number occurs. I have tried +1 in the empty spot after list.get(i) but again
        only maps each element to 1. thank you.
             List<Integer> list = new ArrayList<Integer>();
             HashMap<Integer, Integer> Mode = new HashMap<Integer, Integer>();
             for (int i = 0; i < arr.length; i++) {
                 for (int j = 0; j < arr[i].length; j++) {
                     list.add(arr[i][j]);
             System.out.println(list);
             int count = 1;
             for(int i = 0; i < list.size(); i ++) {</pre>
                 Mode.put(list.get(i), );
3 Answers
                                                                                         oldest
        If you have the option, you may find it easier to use something like Multiset from Guava.
         Multiset<Integer> seen = HashMultiset.create();
         for (int[] row : arr) {
           for (int elem : row) {
             seen.add(elem); // none of that nasty dealing with the Map
         // you can look up the count of an element with seen.count(elem)
         E mostCommon = null;
         int highestCount = 0;
         for (Multiset.Entry<Integer> entry : seen.entrySet()) {
           if (entry.getCount() > highestCount) {
             mostCommon = entry.getElement();
             highestCount = entry.getCount();
         return mostCommon; // this is the most common element
```

Novelty: Plastification through knowledge base.

Conclusions

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- Defined plastic zones
- Identified types of plastic zones
- Foreseen applications of Plastic zones
- Initial quantification
- Experimental framework

Thanks!!

