Understanding the JIT's Tricks

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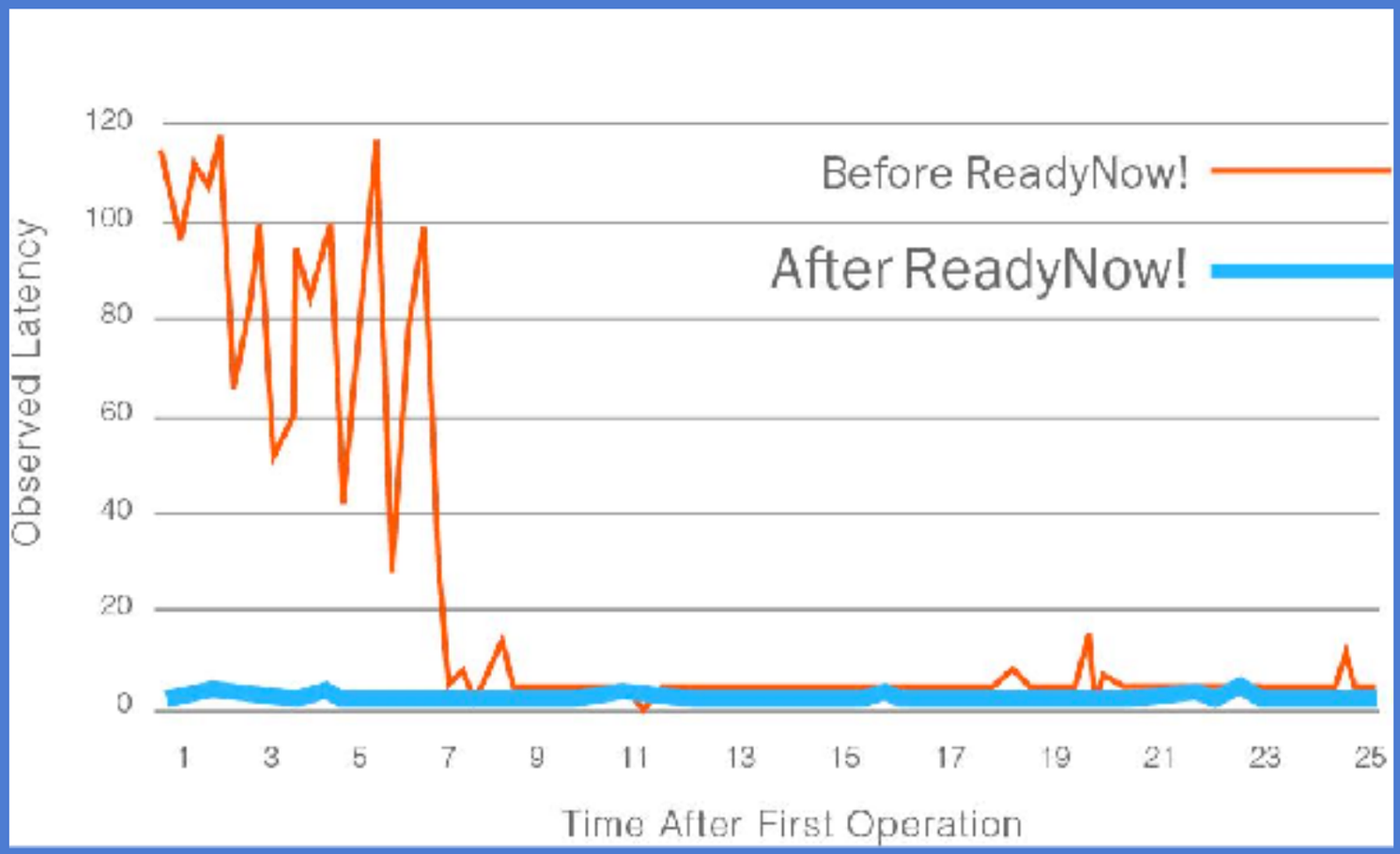

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GOAL: Understand…

```
ArrayList<E>.forEach(Consumer<? super E> action) {
  for ( int i = 0; i < this.size; i++ ) {
    action.accept(this.elementData[i]);
  }
}
```

5 Lines?

Actual Implementation

```
ArrayList<E>.forEach(Consumer<? super E> action) {
  Objects.requireNonNull(action);
  final int expectedModCount = modCount;
  final E[] elementData = (E[]) this.elementData;
  final int size = this.size;

  for (int i=0; modCount == expectedModCount && i < size; i++) {
    action.accept(elementData[i]);
  }
  if (modCount != expectedModCount) throw new CME();
}
```

The Just-in-Time Compiler is a *Compiler*, but It's a…

Profile Guided Speculatively Optimizing Compiler

So We Need to Understand…

Static Optimizations

Speculative Optimizations

Inter-procedural Analysis

Deoptimization

How They Fit Together

REAL GOAL:

Understand What You Can Rely on OpenJDK's JIT to do

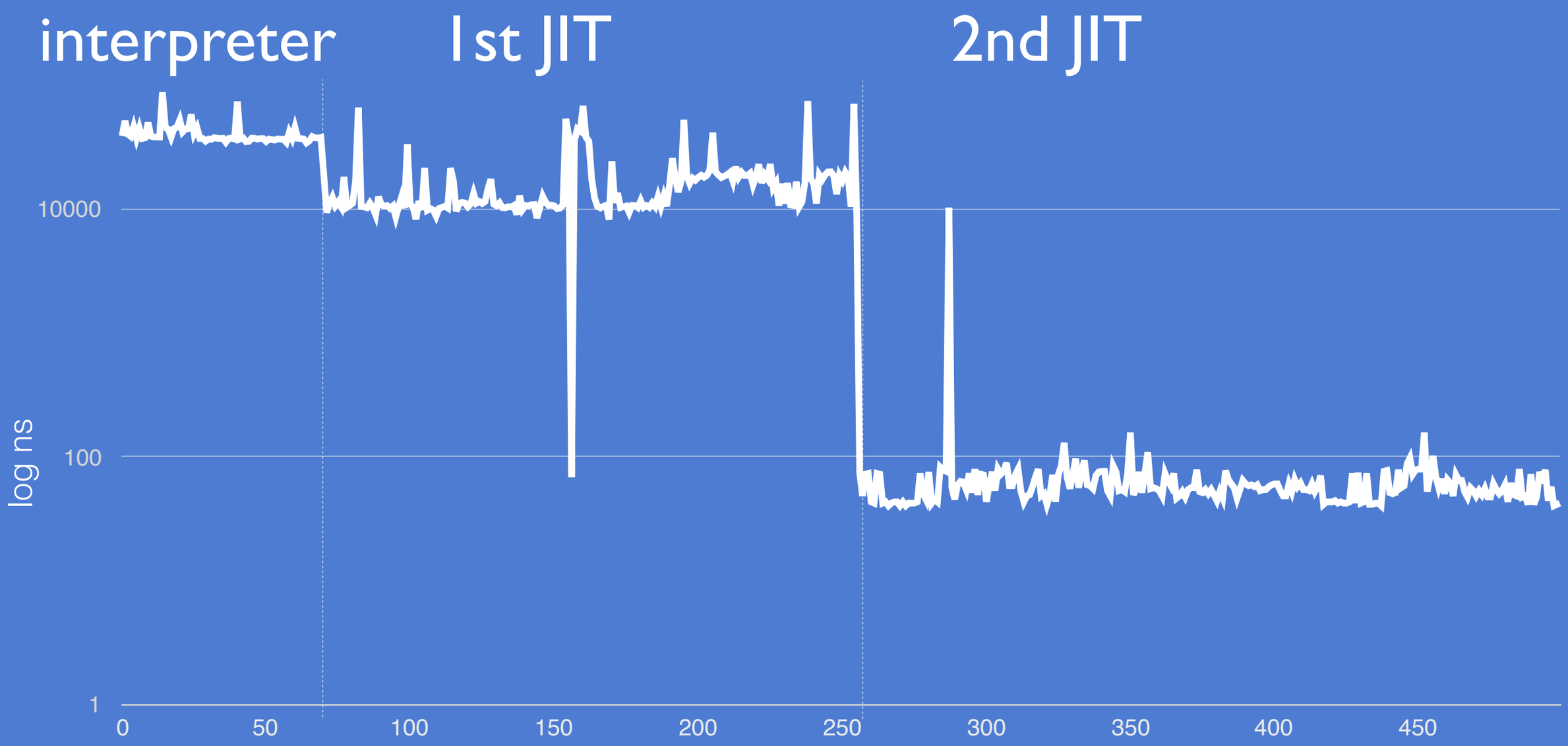
But First...

When Do We JIT?

http://openjdk.java.net/groups/hotspot/docs/RuntimeOverview.html

```
public class Allocation {
  static final int CHUNK_SIZE = 1_000;

  public static void main(String[] args) {
    for ( int i = 0; i < 500; ++i ) {
      long startTime = System.nanoTime();

      for ( int j = 0; j < CHUNK_SIZE; ++j ) {
        new Object();
      }

      long endTime = System.nanoTime();
      System.out.printf("%d\t%d%n", i, endTime - startTime);
    }
  }
}
```

Warm-Up


interpreter
1st JIT
2nd JIT
10000
100
1
log ns
0
50
100
150
200
250
300
350
400
450

-XX:+PrintCompilation

```
 80   29       3   java.util.HashMap::newNode (13 bytes)
 81   30       3   java.util.HashMap::afterNodeInsertion
 81   31       3   java.lang.String::indexOf (7 bytes)

 96   73 %     3   example01a.Allocation::main @ 15 (78 bytes)
101   99 %     4   example01a.Allocation::main @ 15 (78 bytes)
```

When *Exactly*?

Two Compilations of One Method?

What about Tiers 1 & 2?

Thresholds

-XX:+PrintFlagsFinal

Java 8 (Tiered) Thresholds

```
intx Tier2BackEdgeThreshold                = 0                   {product}
intx Tier2CompileThreshold                 = 0                   {product}
intx Tier3BackEdgeThreshold                = 60000               {product}
intx Tier3CompileThreshold                 = 2000                {product}
intx Tier3InvocationThreshold              = 200                 {product}
intx Tier3MinInvocationThreshold           = 100                 {product}
intx Tier4BackEdgeThreshold                = 40000               {product}
intx Tier4CompileThreshold                 = 15000               {product}
intx Tier4InvocationThreshold              = 5000                {product}
intx Tier4MinInvocationThreshold           = 600                 {product}
```

Java 7 (Non-tiered) Thresholds

```
intx BackEdgeThreshold                     = 100000              {pd product}
intx CompileThreshold                      = 10000               {pd product}
```

Counters

Invocation Counter
Backedge (Loop) Counter

Invocation Counter > Invocation Threshold
Hot Methods

Backedge Counter > Backedge Threshold
Hot Loops

Invocation + Backedge Counter > Compile Threshold
Medium Hot Methods with Medium Hot Loops

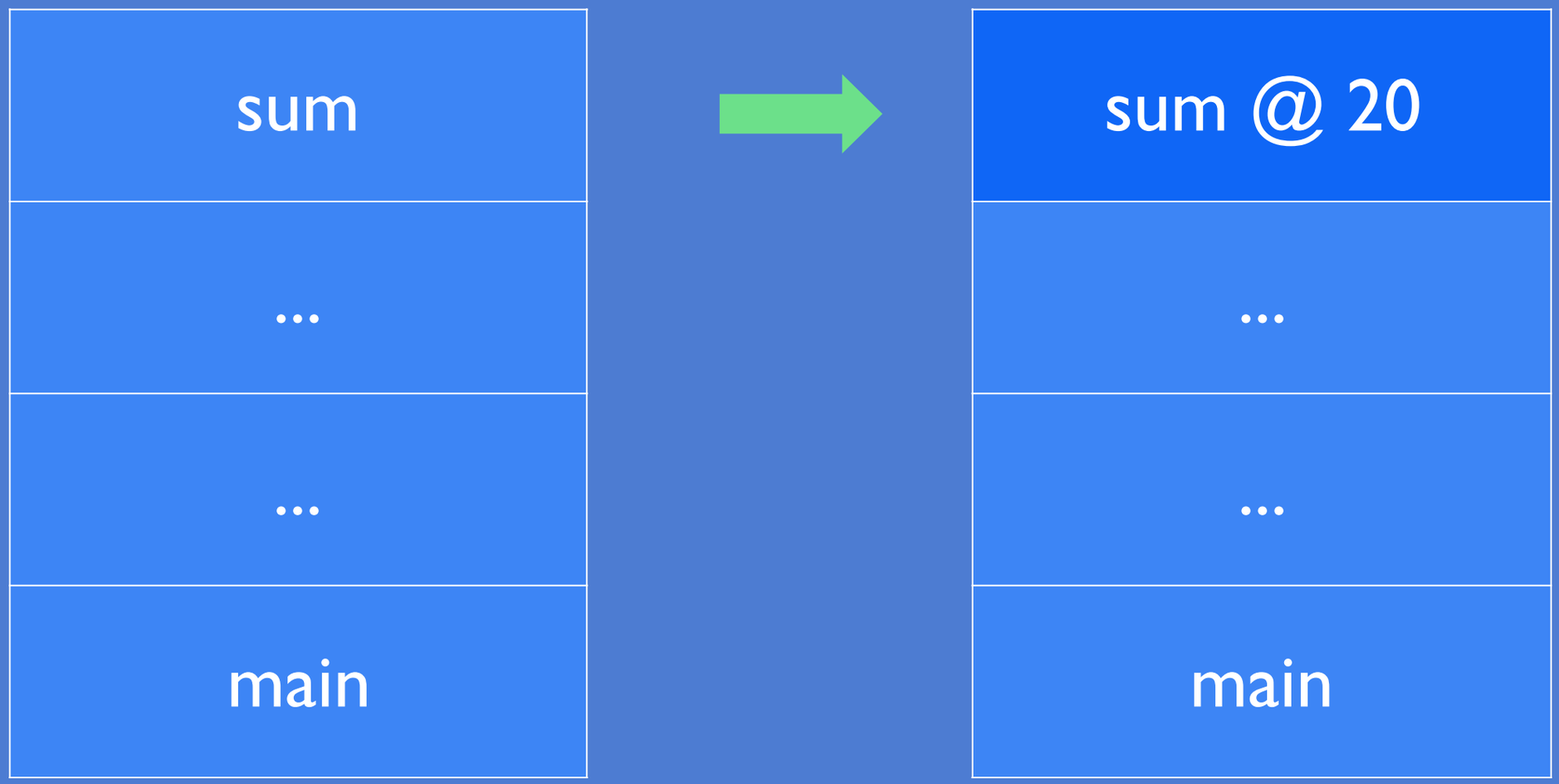
Method or *Loop* JIT

If Loop Count (Backedges) > Threshold,

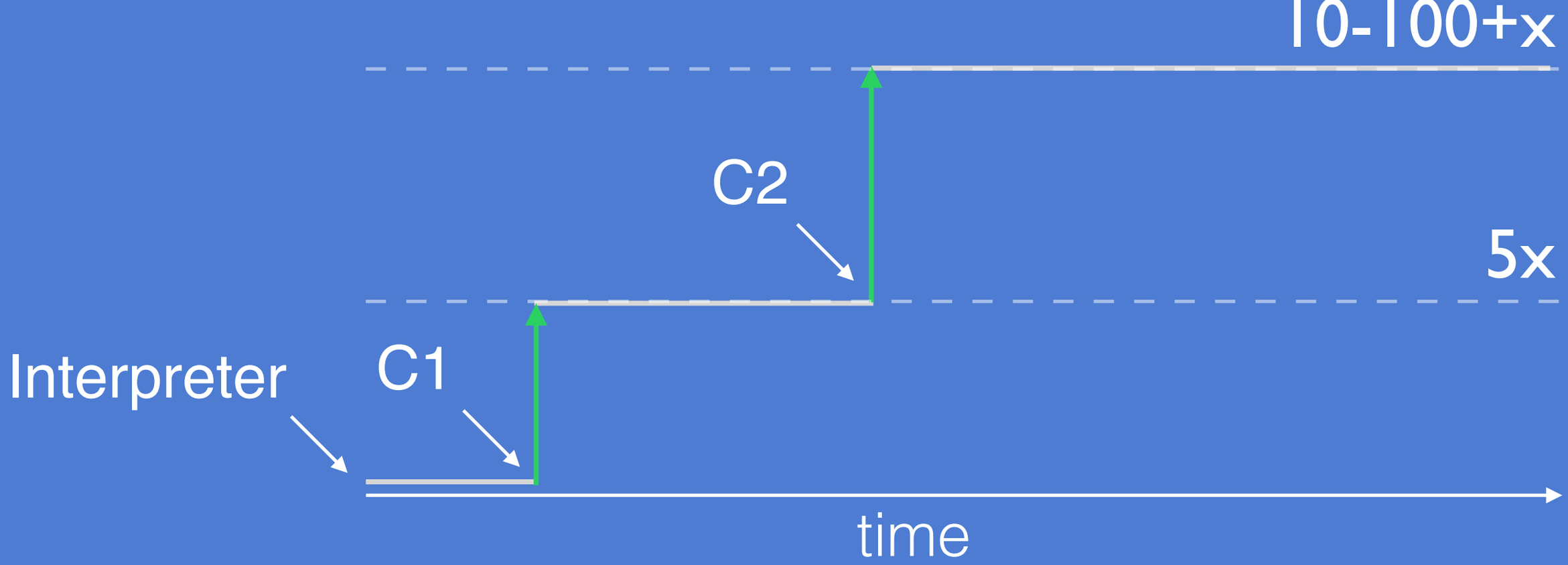
Compile Loop

On-Stack Replacement

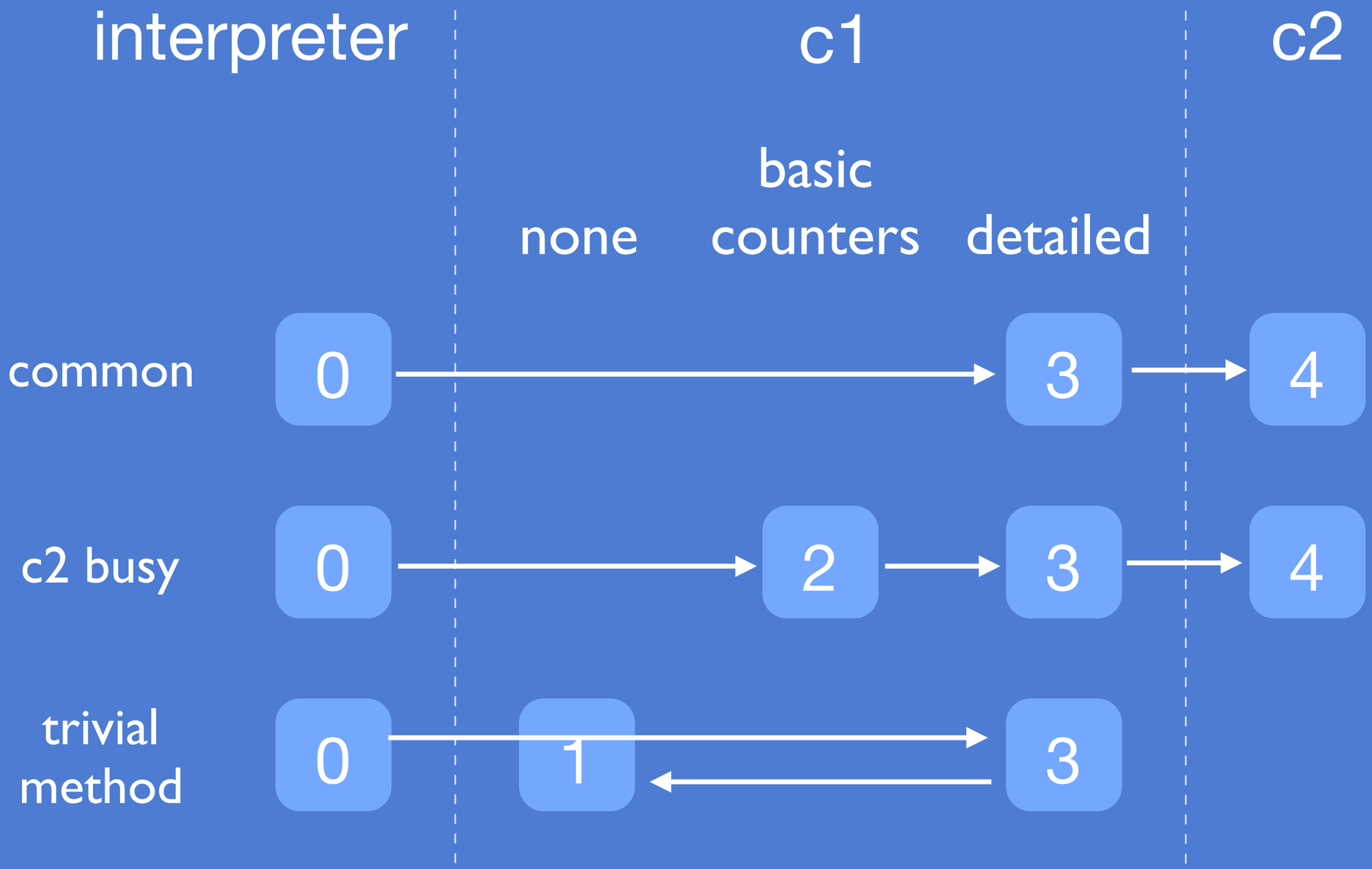
On-Stack Replacement



Tiered Compilation

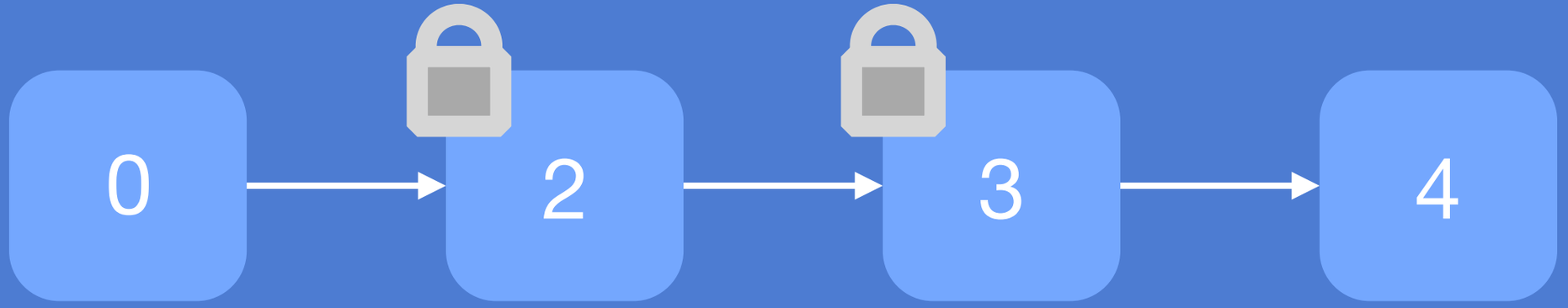


Tiered Compilation

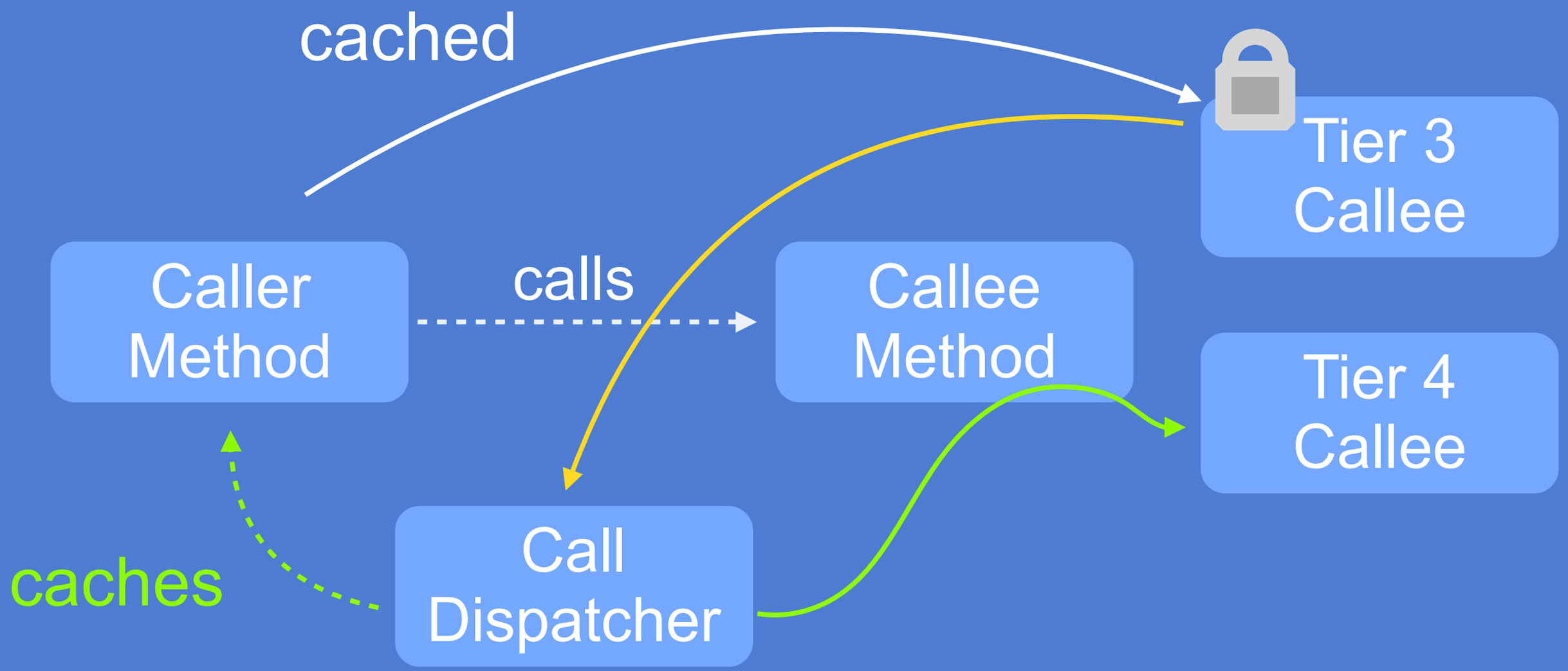


Made Not Entrant

```
12394  73 % 3 …Allocation::main @ -2 (78 bytes)  made not entrant
```



Lock Free Cache Invalidation



HotSpot's Job is to Find Hot Spots

Rules for Triggering the JIT Keep Changing

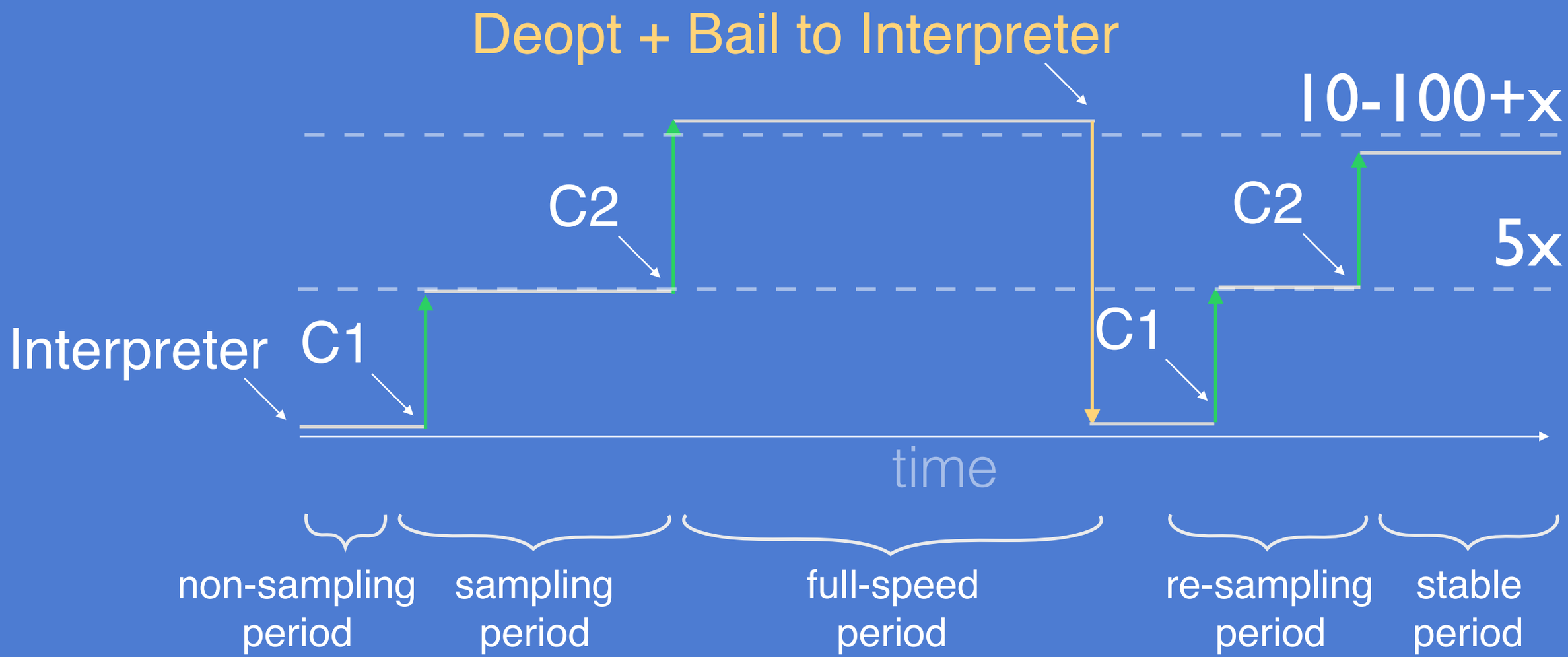
HotSpot JITs …

Hot Methods
Hot Loops
Warm Methods with Warm Loops

Focus on Final Tier

What Does ~~the JIT~~ C2 Do?

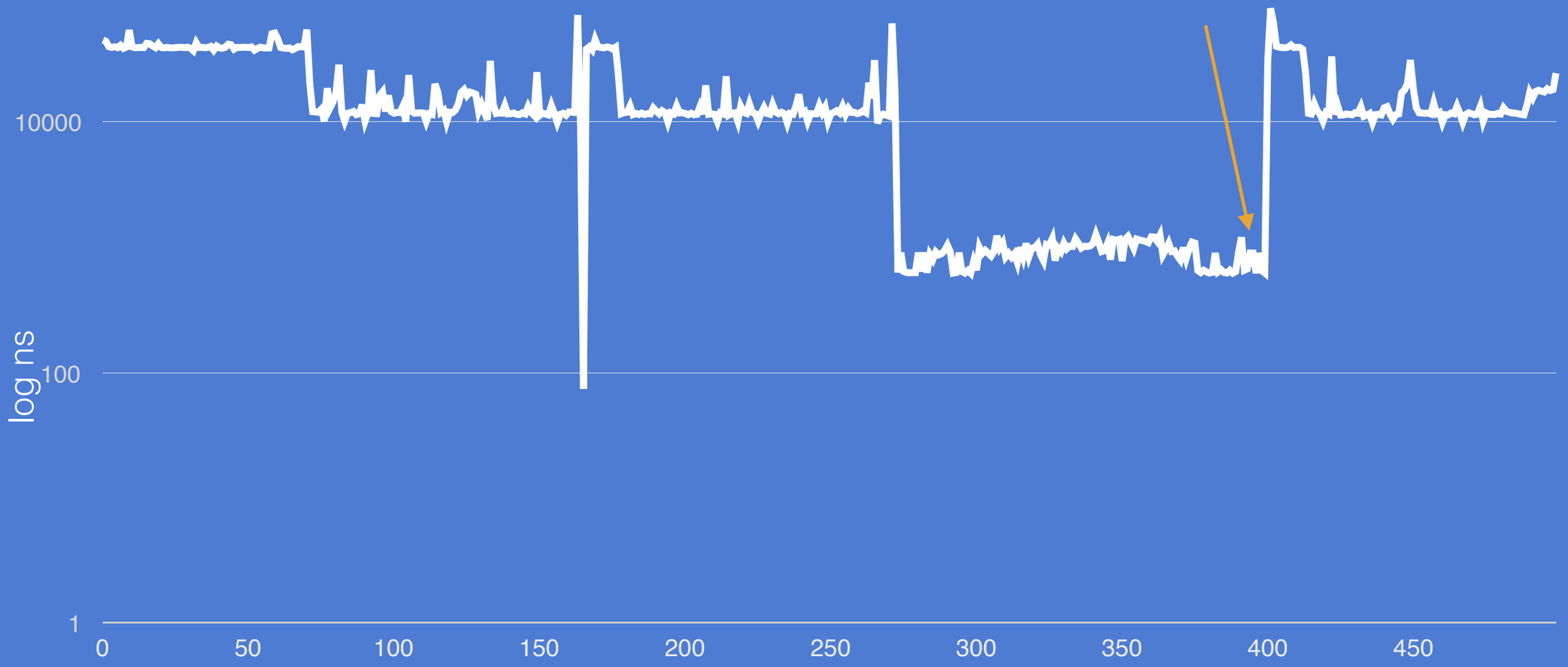
Profiling + Deoptimization



```
public class AllocationTrap {
  static final int CHUNK_SIZE = 1_000;

  public static void main(String[] args) {
    Object trap = null;

    for ( int i = 0; i < 500; ++i ) {
      long startTime = System.nanoTime();

      for ( int j = 0; j < CHUNK_SIZE; ++j ) {
        new Object();
        if ( trap != null ) {
          System.out.println(“trap!");
          trap = null;
        }
      }
      if ( i == 400 ) trap = new Object();

      long endTime = System.nanoTime();
      System.out.printf("%d\t%d%n", i, endTime - startTime);
    }
  }
}
```

Deoptimization

behavioral change,
deoptimize!



Returning to forEach

```
ArrayList<E>.forEach(Consumer<? super E> action) {
   for ( int i = 0; i < this.size; i++ ) {
      action.accept(this.elementData[i]);
   }
}
```

Something “Simpler”

“Simpler” Bound

```
ArrayStream<E>.forEach(Consumer<? super E> action) {
  for ( int i = 0; i < this.elementData.length; i++ ) {
    action.accept(this.elementData[i]);
  }
}
```

Implied Safety Code

```
ArrayStream<E>.forEach(Consumer<? super E> action) {
 if ( this == null ) throw new NPE();
 if ( this.elementData == null ) throw new NPE();

 for ( int i = 0; i < this.elementData.length; i++ ) {
    if ( this == null ) throw new NPE();
    if ( this.elementData == null ) throw new NPE();
    if ( i < 0 ) throw new AIOBE();
    if ( i >= this.elementData.length ) throw new AIOBE();

    if ( action == null ) throw new NPE();
    action.accept(this.elementData[i]);
  }
}
```

Null Check Elimination

```
ArrayStream<E>.forEach(Consumer<? super E> action) {
 if ( this == null ) throw new NPE();
 if ( this.elementData == null ) throw new NPE();

 for ( int i = 0; i < this.elementData.length; i++ ) {
   if ( this == null ) throw new NPE();
   if ( this.elementData == null ) throw new NPE();
   if ( i < 0 ) throw new AIOBE();
   if ( i >= this.elementData.length ) throw new AIOBE();

   if ( action == null ) throw new NPE();
   action.accept(this.elementData[i]);
 }
}
```

this != null

Lower Bound Check Elimination

```
ArrayStream<E>.forEach(Consumer<? super E> action) {
  if ( this.elementData == null ) throw new NPE();

  for ( int i = 0; i < this.elementData.length; i++ ) {
    if ( this.elementData == null ) throw new NPE();
    ~~if ( i < 0 ) throw new AIOBE();~~
    if ( i >= this.elementData.length ) throw new AIOBE();

    if ( action == null ) throw new NPE();
    action.accept(this.elementData[i]);
  }
}
```

i >= 0
i <= INT_MAX

Canonicalize Upper Bound

```
ArrayStream<E>.forEach(Consumer<? super E> action) {
  if ( this.elementData == null ) throw new NPE();

  for ( int i = 0; i < this.elementData.length; i++ ) {
    if ( this.elementData == null ) throw new NPE();
    if ( i >= this.elementData.length ) throw new AIOBE();
    if ( !(i < this.elementData.length) ) throw new AIOBE();

    if ( action == null ) throw new NPE();
    action.accept(this.elementData[i]);
  }
}
```

Canonicalize

Upper Bound Check Elimination

```
ArrayStream<E>.forEach(Consumer<? super E> action) {
  if ( this.elementData == null ) throw new NPE();
  for ( int i = 0; i < this.elementData.length; i++ ) {
    if ( this.elementData == null ) throw new NPE();
    if ( !(i < this.elementData.length) ) throw new AIOBE();

    if ( action == null ) throw new NPE();
    action.accept(this.elementData[i]);
  }
}
```

Common Sub-Expression*

* Really Global Value Numbering

Cached Length isn't Better!

Confuses the JIT

```
public class ArrayStream<E> interface Stream<E> {
  private final E[] elementData;
  private final int size;

  public ArrayStream(E… elements) {
    this.elementData = elements;
    this.size = elements.length;
  }

  forEach(Consumer<? super E> action) {
    if ( this.elementData == null ) throw new NPE();

    for ( int i = 0; i < this.size; i++ ) {
      if ( this.elementData == null ) throw new NPE();
      if ( i >= this.elementData.length ) throw new AIOBE();

      if ( action == null ) throw new NPE();
      action.accept(this.elementData[i]);
    }
  }
}
```

mismatch!

What Else?

```
ArrayStream<E>.forEach(Consumer<? super E> action) {
  if ( this.elementData == null ) throw new NPE();

  for ( int i = 0; i < this.elementData.length; i++ ) {
    if ( this.elementData == null ) throw new NPE();

    if ( action == null ) throw new NPE();
    action.accept(this.elementData[i]);
  }
}
```

What Else Can Be Done?

Null Pointer Checks

```
ArrayStream<E>.forEach(Consumer<? super E> action) {
  if ( this.elementData == null ) throw new NPE();
  for ( int i = 0; i < this.elementData.length; i++ ) {
    if ( this.elementData == null ) throw new NPE();

    if ( action == null ) throw new NPE();
    action.accept(this.elementData[i]);
  }
}
```

Required - cannot optimize further?

Assume non-null from above?

Required - cannot optimize further?

Implicit Null Check

Possible, but improbable

```
if ( this.elementData == null ) throw new NPE();
this.elementData.length;
```

```
0x10795f9cc: mov    0x8(%rsi),%r10d
        ; implicit exception: dispatches to 0x10795fe1d
```

Three Nulls, You Deopt!

-XX:+PrintCompilation

```
    121    1      java.lang.String::hashCode (55 bytes)
    135    2      …NullCheck::hotMethod (6 bytes)
    136    3 % ! …NullCheck::main @ 5 (69 bytes)
tempting fate 0
tempting fate 1
tempting fate 2
   5144    2      …NullCheck::hotMethod (6 bytes) made not entrant
tempting fate 3
tempting fate 4
tempting fate 5
tempting fate 6
tempting fate 7
tempting fate 8
tempting fate 9
```

Stop the World

Need to Stop All Java Threads to...

Deoptimize

Lock Inflation / Deflation

Garbage Collect

Hot Exception Optimization

```
int caughtCount = 0;
Set<NullPointerException> nullPointerExceptions =
  new HashSet<>();

for ( Object object : objects ) {
  try {
    object.toString();
  } catch ( NullPointerException e ) {
    nullPointerExceptions.add( e );
    caughtCount += 1;
  }
}
```

```
Null Proportion: 0.100000 Caught:  10057  Unique:   2015
Null Proportion: 0.500000 Caught:  50096  Unique:   7191
Null Proportion: 0.900000 Caught:  89929  Unique:  11030
```

Hot Exceptions

```
int caughtCount = 0;
HashSet<NullPointerException> nullPointerExceptions =
  new HashSet<>();

for ( Object object : objects ) {
  try {
    object.toString();
  } catch ( NullPointerException e ) {
    boolean added = nullPointerExceptions.add(e);
    if ( !added ) e.printStackTrace();
    caughtCount += 1;
  }
}
```

java.lang.NullPointerException

No StackTrace???

Total Elimination is Better!

```
ArrayStream<E>.forEach(Consumer<? super E> action) {
  if ( this.elementData == null ) throw new NPE();

  for ( int i = 0; i < this.elementData.length; i++ ) {
    if ( this.elementData == null ) throw new NPE();

    if ( action == null ) throw new NPE();
    action.accept(this.elementData[i]);
  }
}
```

Assume non-null from above?

Common Sub-Expression

```
if ( this.elementData == null ) throw new NPE();

for ( … ) {
  if ( this.elementData == null ) throw new NPE();
}
```

Requires knowing that…

null doesn't change
this doesn't change
← easy

this.elementData doesn't change ← hard

The Other "Easy" One

Local Variable: action

CANNOT be changed by another thread or method.

```
ArrayStream<E>.forEach(Consumer<? super E> action) {
  if ( this.elementData == null ) throw new NPE();

  for ( int i = 0; i < this.elementData.length; i++ ) {
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    if ( action == null ) throw new NPE();
    action.accept(this.elementData[i]);
  }
}
```

Loop Peeling

```
ArrayStream<E>.forEach(Consumer<? super E> action) {
  if ( this.elementData == null ) throw new NPE();

  // i=0 iteration
  if ( 0 < this.elementData.length ) {
    if ( this.elementData == null ) throw NPE();

    if ( action == null ) throw new NPE();
    action.accept(this.elementData[0]);
  }

  // rest of the iterations
  for ( int i = 1; i < this.elementData.length; i++ ) {
    if ( this.elementData == null ) throw new NPE();

    if ( action == null ) throw new NPE();
    action.accept(this.elementData[i]);
  }
}
```

Back to this.elementData

CAN be changed by another thread.

Compiler Doesn't Care!

Really?

No Synchronization Action -
Single Threaded Semantics

Loop Invariant Hoisting?

```
ArrayStream<E>.forEach(Consumer<? super E> action) {
  E[] elementData = this.elementData;
  int len = elementData.length;

  if ( elementData == null ) throw new NPE();

  // i=0 iteration
  if ( 0 < len ) {
    ~~if ( elementData == null ) throw NPE();~~

    if ( action == null ) throw new NPE();
    action.accept(this.elementData[0]);
  }

  // rest of the iterations
  for ( int i = 1; i < elementData.length; i++ ) {
    ~~if ( elementData == null ) throw new NPE();~~

    action.accept(elementData[i]);
  }
}
```

Terrifying!

Producer Thread

```
sharedData = …;
sharedDone = true;
```

Consumer Thread

```
while ( !sharedDone );
print(sharedData);
```

Assume sharedData
is loop invariant!

```
localDone = sharedDone;
while ( !localDone );
print(sharedData);
```

Not So Fast

Single Threaded Side Effects

```
ArrayStream<E>.forEach(Consumer<? super E> action) {
  if ( this.elementData == null ) throw new NPE();

  // i=0 iteration
  if ( 0 < this.elementData.length ) {
    if ( this.elementData == null ) throw NPE();
    if ( action == null ) throw new NPE();
    action.accept(this.elementData[0]);
  }

  // rest of the iterations
  for ( int i = 1; i < this.elementData.length; i++ ) {
    if ( this.elementData == null ) throw new NPE();

    action.accept(this.elementData[i]);
  }
}
```

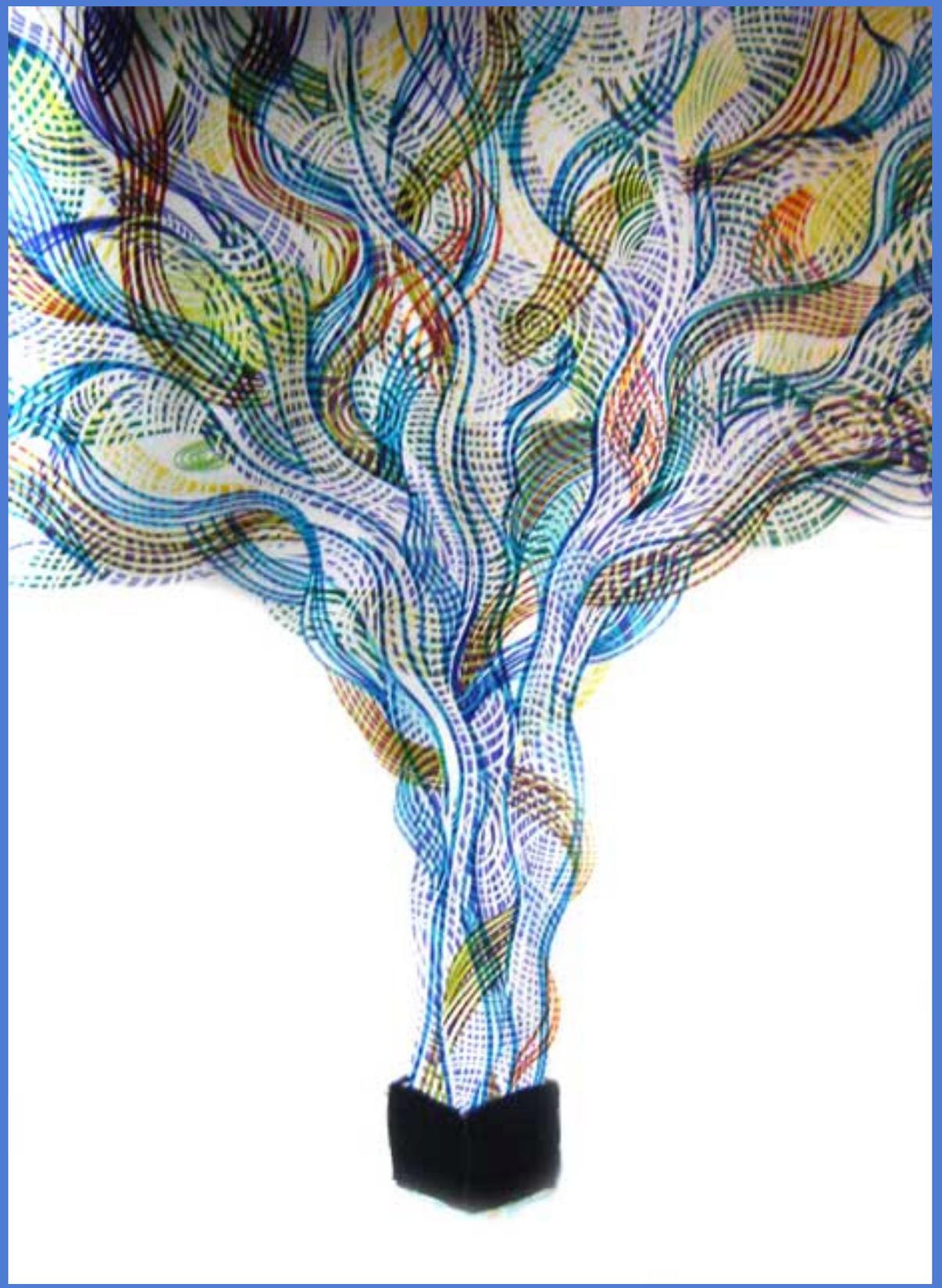
Can this.elementData change? YES

ArrayStream
NOT ArrayList

this.elementData is final!

Doesn’t matter - reflection!

A Call is a "Black Box" which may contain "Evils"!



Inter-procedural Analysis

Prove No
Side Effects / Evils

Inter-procedural Analysis
=
Inlining

Inlining
Copy & Paste Callee Into Caller

```
System.out.println(square(9));
```

inline

```
System.out.println(9 * 9);
```

constant folding

```
System.out.println(81);
```

Start with a Static Call

JMH: Java Measurement Harness

```
@Benchmark
public void cstyle() {
  for ( int i = 0; i < this.elementData.length; ++i ) {
    consume(this.elementData[i]);
  }
}

static int sum = 0;

@CompilerControl(CompilerControl.Mode.INLINE | DONT_INLINE)
static consume(int x) {
  sum += x;
}
```

Inlined

Benchmark	Mode	Cnt	Score	Error	Units
LoopInvariant.cstyle	avgt	10	296.759	± 3.619	ns/op
LoopInvariant.enhanced	avgt	10	294.379	± 7.461	ns/op
LoopInvariant.hoisted	avgt	10	292.491	± 7.623	ns/op

Not Inlined

Benchmark	Mode	Cnt	Score	Error	Units
LoopInvariant.cstyle	avgt	10	2922.285	± 48.199	ns/op
LoopInvariant.enhanced	avgt	10	2301.793	± 37.154	ns/op
LoopInvariant.hoisted	avgt	10	2325.981	± 39.935	ns/op

benchmarks.LoopInvariant

Not Just “Sugar”

```
for ( int x: this.elementData ) {
  consume(x);
}
```

javac

```
E[] elementData = this.elementData;
for ( int i = 0; i < elementData.length; ++i ) {
  int x = elementData[i];
  consume(x);
}
```

More Terrifying!

Producer Thread

```
sharedData = …;
sharedDone = true;
```

Consumer Thread

```
while ( !sharedDone ) {
  fn();
}
print(sharedData);
```

Assume sharedData is loop invariant!

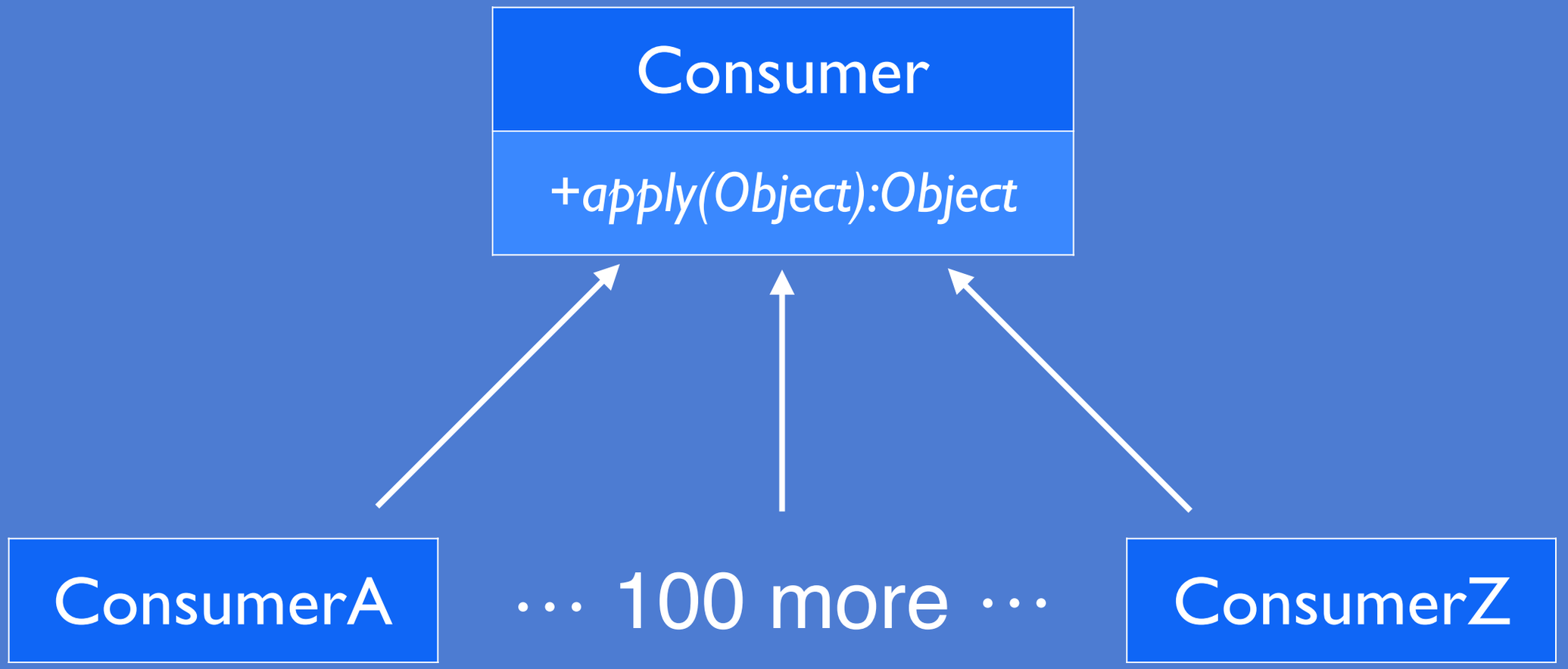
```
localDone = sharedDone;
while ( !localDone ) {
  // inlined fn() …
}
print(sharedData);
```

Inlining Numbers to Remember...

-XX:+PrintFlagsFinal

MaxTrivialSize	6
MaxInlineSize	35
FreqInlineSize	325
MaxInlineLevel	9
MaxRecursiveInlineLevel	1
MinInliningThreshold	250
Tier1MaxInlineSize	8
Tier1FreqInlineSize	35

What About Dynamic Calls?



http://shipilev.net/blog/2015/black-magic-method-dispatch/

Java is a *Dynamic* Language!

Dynamically Loaded

Dynamically Linked

Lazy Initialized

Typically Dynamically Dispatched

Even Dynamic Code Gen in JDK

Unloaded Class?!?

Don't Know…

Fields in Class

Methods in Class

Parent Class

Interfaces

Anything?

Give Up!

uncommon_trap(:unloaded)

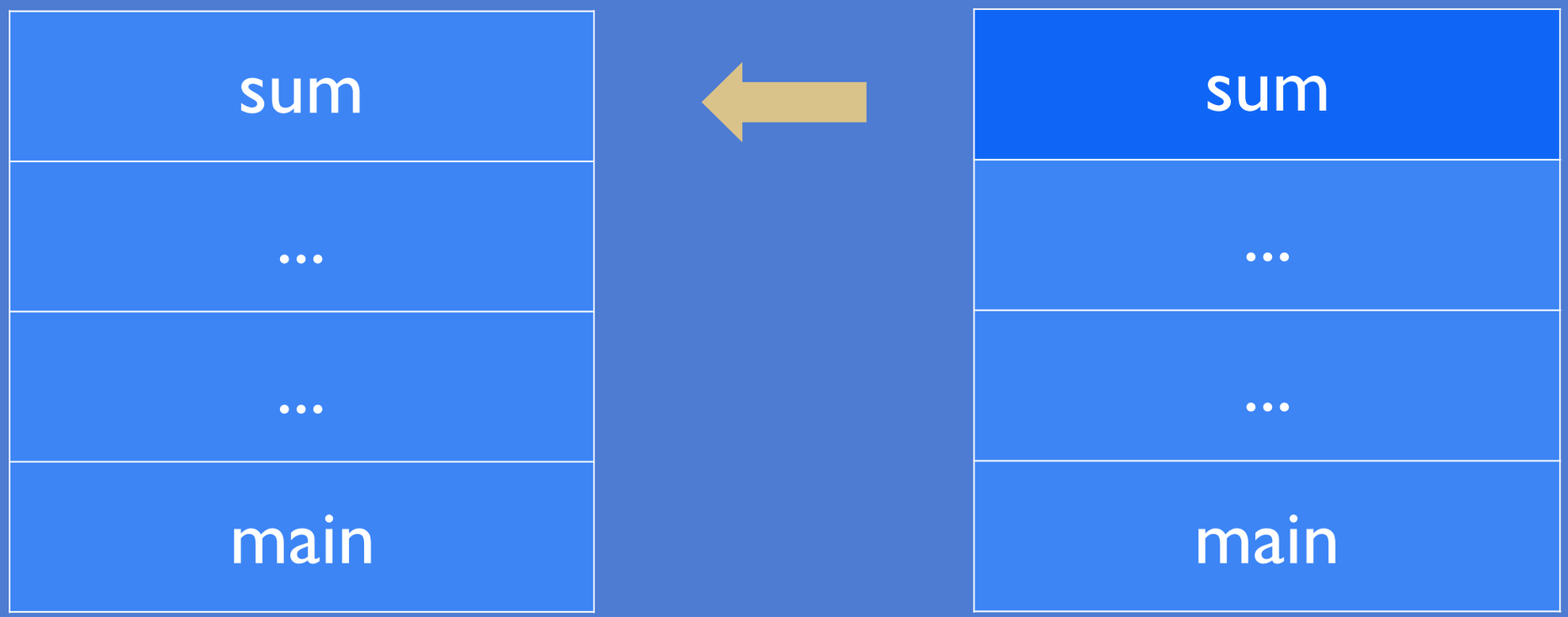
What? I give up!

Compile + Deopt Storm

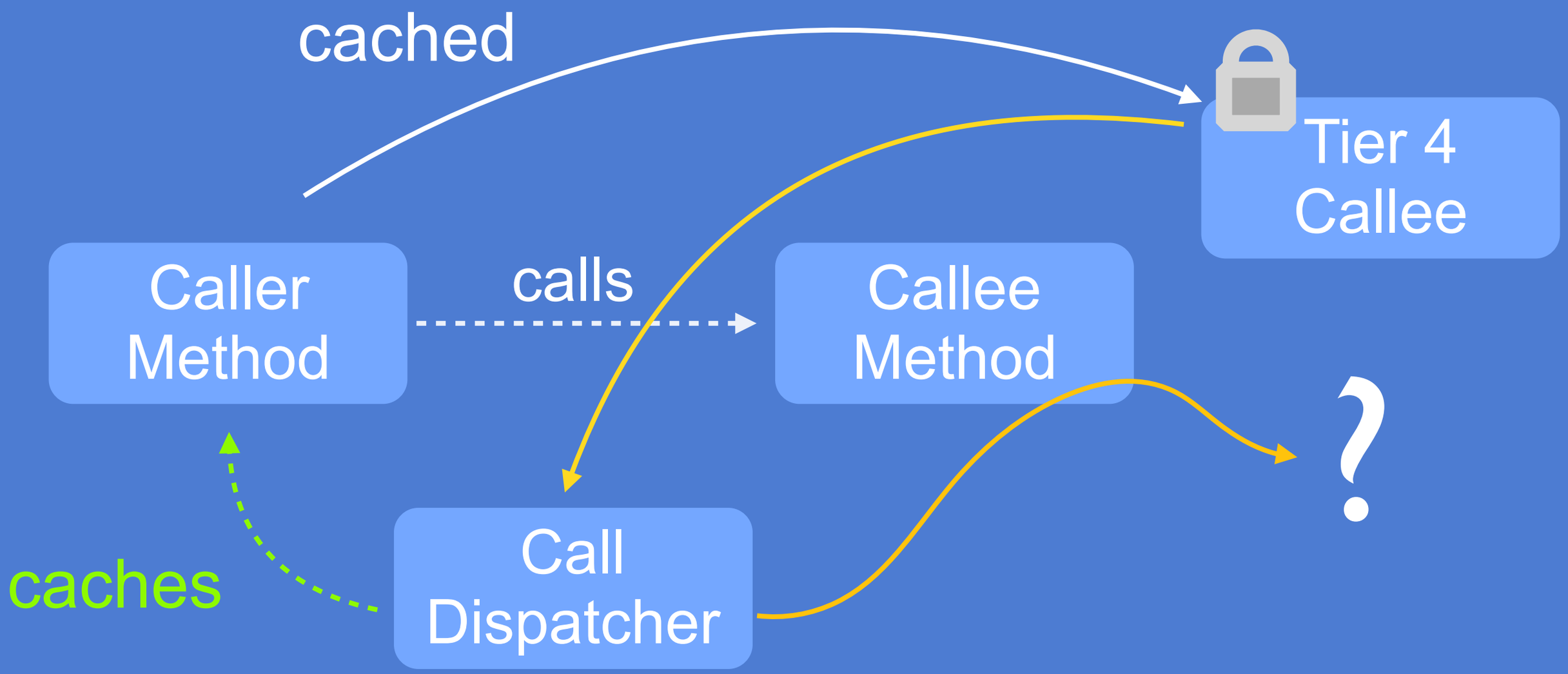
```
public class UnloadedForever {
  public static void main(String[] args) {
    for ( int i = 0; i < 100_000; ++i ) {
      try {
        factory();
      } catch ( Throwable t ) {
        // ignore
      }
    }
  }

  static DoesNotExist factory() {
    return new DoesNotExist();
  }
}
```

Compile + Deopt Storm

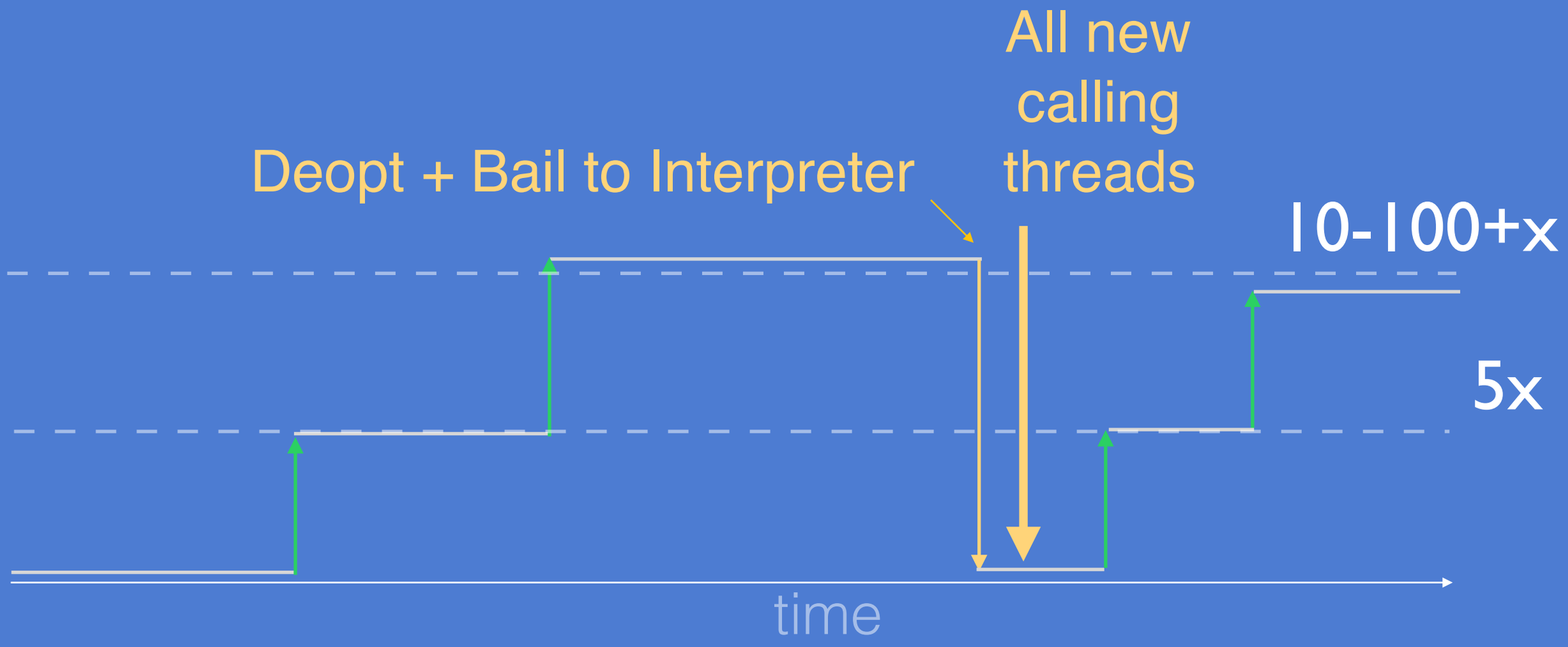
On-Stack Replacement in Reverse



Lock Free — but Hurts



Lock Free — but *Really* Hurts



Back to Dynamic/Virtual Calls

4 Strategies to "Devirtualize"

Static Analysis

Class Hierarchy Analysis

TypeProfile

Unique Concrete Method

Monomorphic

```
public class Monomorphic {
  public static void main(String[] args)
    throws InterruptedException
  {
    Func func = new Square();

    for ( int i = 0; i < 20_000; ++i ) {
      apply(func, i);
    }

    Thread.sleep(5_000);
  }

  static double apply(Func func, int x) {
    return func.apply(x);
  }
}
```

Static Analysis

```
public class Monomorphic {
  public static void main(String[] args)
    throws InterruptedException
  {
    Func func = new Square();

    for ( int i = 0; i < 20_000; ++i ) {
      apply(func, i);
    }

    Thread.sleep(5_000);
  }

  static double apply(Func func, int x) {
    return func.apply(x);
  }
}
```

Monomorphic

-XX:+PrintCompilation -XX:-BackgroundCompilation
-XX:+UnlockDiagnosticVMOptions -XX:+PrintInlining

```
217    1      java.lang.String::hashCode (55 bytes)
234    3      example03.support.Square::apply (4 bytes)
234    4 %    example03a.Monomorphic::main @ 13 (30 bytes)
  @ 15   example03a.Monomorphic::apply (7 bytes)   inline (hot)
    @ 3   example03.support.Square::apply (4 bytes)   inline (hot)
234    2      example03a.Monomorphic::apply (7 bytes)
 @ 3   example03.support.Square::apply (4 bytes)   inline (hot)
```

Potential for Deopt Storm

```
public class ChaStorm {
  public static void main(String[] args) throws… {
    Func func = new Square();

    for ( int i = 0; i < 10_000; ++i ) {
      apply1(func, i);
      …
      apply8(func, i);
    }

    System.out.println("Waiting for compiler...");
    Thread.sleep(5_000);

    System.out.println("Deoptimize...");
    System.out.println(Sqrt.class);

    Thread.sleep(5_000);
  }
}
```

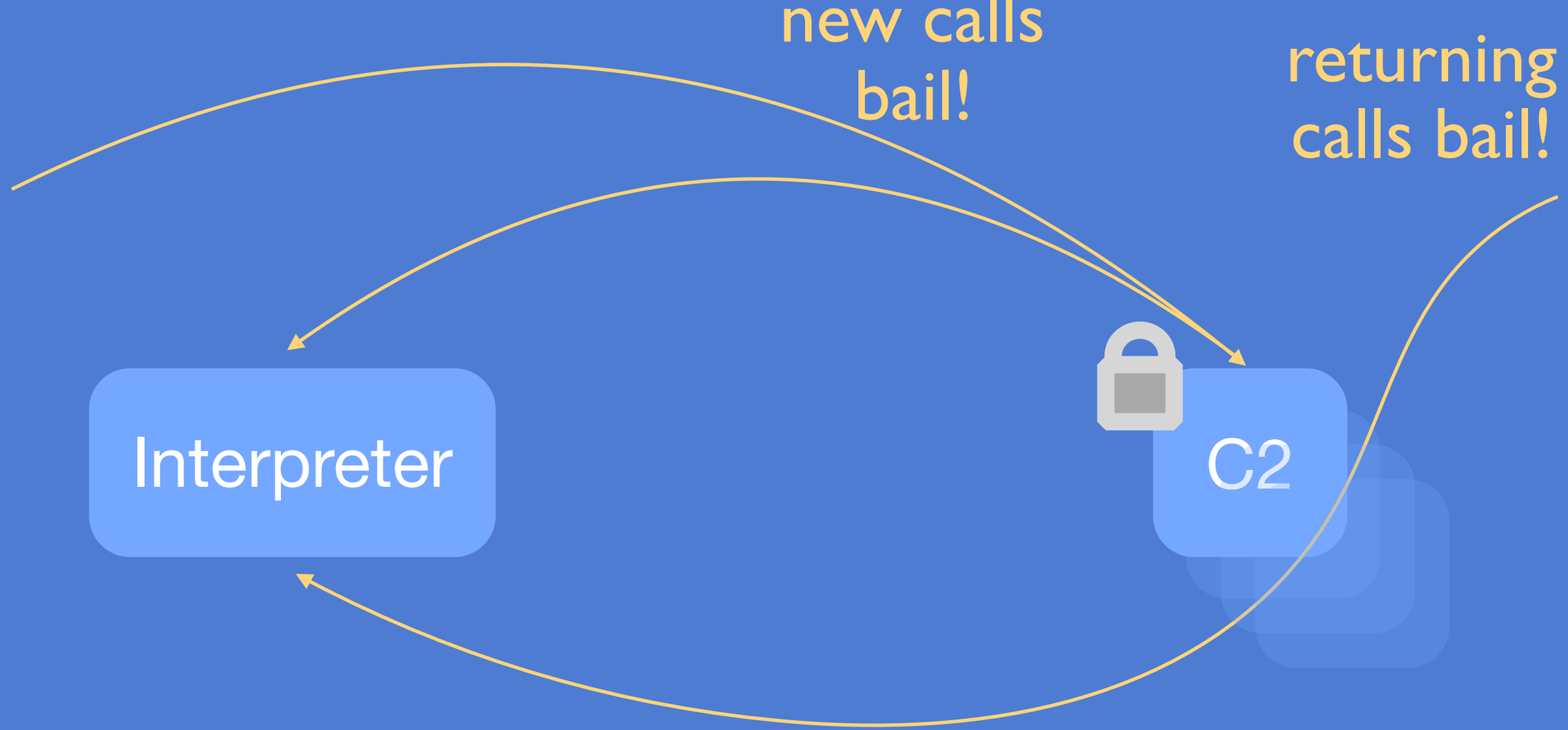
Potential for Deopt Storm

-XX:+PrintCompilation
-XX+PrintSafepointStatistics
-XX:PrintSafepointStatisticsCount=1

```
    152    1    java.lang.String::hashCode (55 bytes)
    166    2    example04.support.Square::apply (4 bytes)
    173    3    example04b.ChaStorm::apply1 (7 bytes)
    173    4    example04b.ChaStorm::apply2 (7 bytes)
Waiting for compiler...
    174    5    example04b.ChaStorm::apply3 (7 bytes)    …
    174    9    example04b.ChaStorm::apply7 (7 bytes)
    174   10    example04b.ChaStorm::apply8 (7 bytes)
Deoptimize...
   5176    9    example04b.ChaStorm::apply7 (7 bytes)   made not entrant
   5176    8    example04b.ChaStorm::apply6 (7 bytes)   made not entrant
   …
   5176    4    example04b.ChaStorm::apply2 (7 bytes)   made not entrant
   5176    3    example04b.ChaStorm::apply1 (7 bytes)   made not entrant
   5176   10    example04b.ChaStorm::apply8 (7 bytes)   made not entrant
class example04.support.Sqrt
 vmop                    [threads: total initially_running wait_to_block]   …
5.096: Deoptimize            [       7          0              0    ]   …
```

http://blog.ragozin.info/2012/10/safepoints-in-hotspot-jvm.html

NOT Lock Free — and *Really, Really* Hurts



No IHA

TypeProfile

Interpreter & C1 Gather Data

Track Types used at Each Call Site

-XX:+UnlockDiagnosticVMOptions -XX:+LogCompilation

```
<klass id='780' name='Square' flags='1'/>
<klass id='781' name='Sqrt' flags='1'/>
<call method='783' count‘23161'
  prof_factor='1' virtual='1' inline='1'
  receiver='780' receiver_count‘19901'
  receiver2='781' receiver2_count='3260'/>
```

Bimorphic

```
Func func = …
double result = func.apply(20);
```

```
if ( func.getClass().equals(Square.class) ) {
  …
} else {
  uncommon_trap(class_check);
}
```

```
if ( func.getClass().equals(Square.class) ) {
  …
} else if ( func.getClass().equals(AlsoSquare.class) ) {
  …
} else {
  uncommon_trap(bimorphic);
}
```

```
func.apply(x);
```

Very Effective

Call-site specific

Works for 90-95% of call sites

Very few call sites are “megamorphic”

Slightly more overhead than
no check (3-5ns)

Why Trap?!?

```
if ( func.getClass().equals(Square.class) ) {
  …
} else {
  uncommon_trap(class_check);
}
```

Why not func.apply?

Solved? NO

size could change!

```
ArrayList<E>.forEach(Consumer<? super E> action) {
 for ( int i = 0; i < this.size; i++ ) {
    action.accept(this.elementData[i]);
  }
}
```

megamorphic, no (incomplete) inlining.

elementData could change!

Unless, Done Manually…

```
ArrayList<E>.forEach(Consumer<? super E> action) {
  Objects.requireNonNull(action);
  final int expectedModCount = modCount;
  final E[] elementData = (E[]) this.elementData;
  final int size = this.size;
  for (int i=0;
    modCount == expectedModCount && i < size;
    i++)
  {
    action.accept(elementData[i]);
  }
  if (modCount != expectedModCount) throw new CME();
}
```

Goal Accomplished? NO

More loop optimizations…

Loop Unrolling
Loop Unswitching
Vectorization

Interactions with Garbage Collector

Handling this.size with an uncommon trap

JIT (and All Compilers) Are Just Complex Pattern Matchers.

Like	Don't Like
"Normal" Code	"Weird" Code
Small Methods	Big Methods
Immutability	Mutability
Local Variables	Native Methods*

* except for intrinsics: arraycopy, tan, …

VM Developer Blogs

Psychosomatic, Lobotomy, Saw

Nitsan Wakart
http://psy-lob-saw.blogspot.com/

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Aleksey Shipilëv
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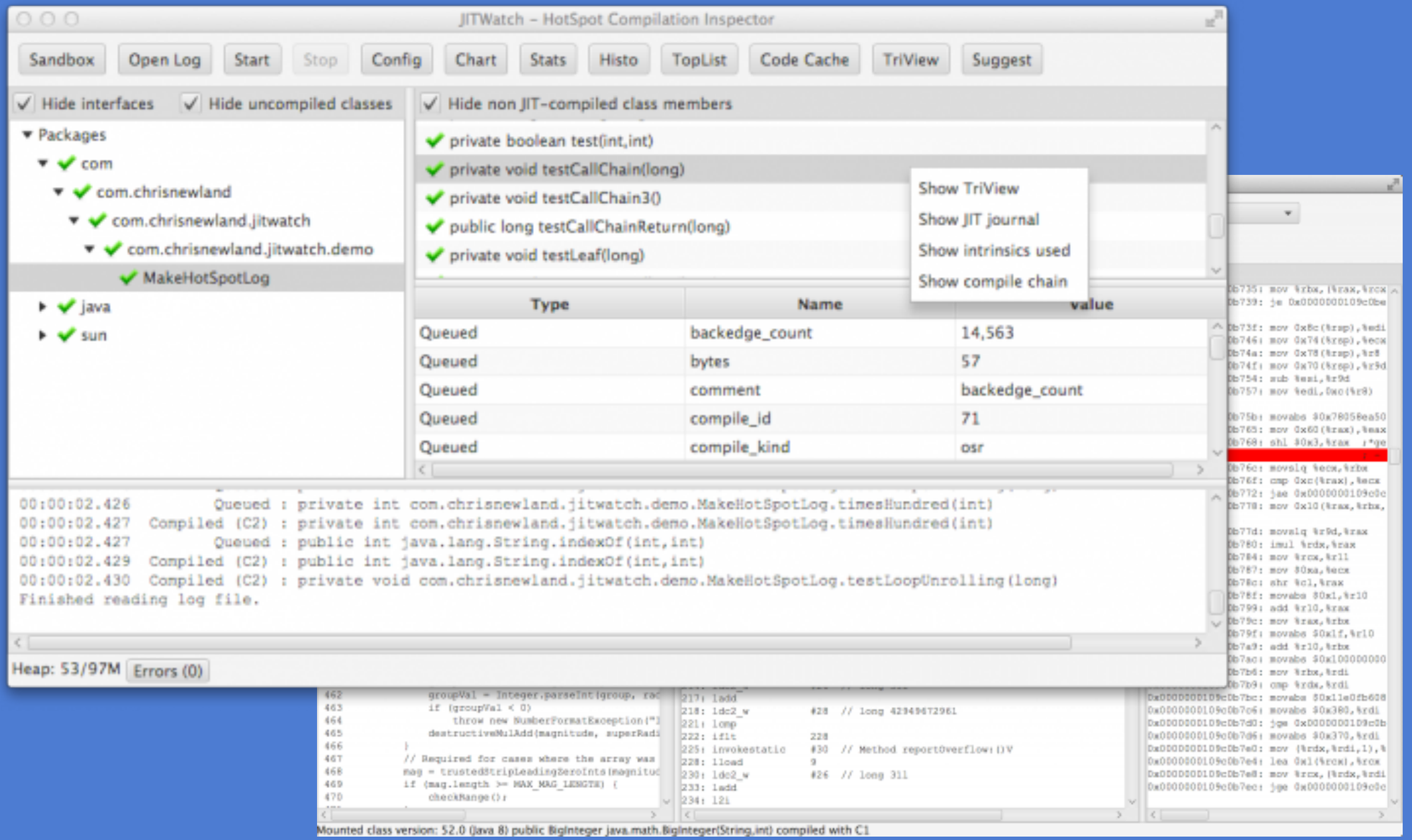
JITWatch



https://github.com/AdoptOpenJDK/jitwatch/

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