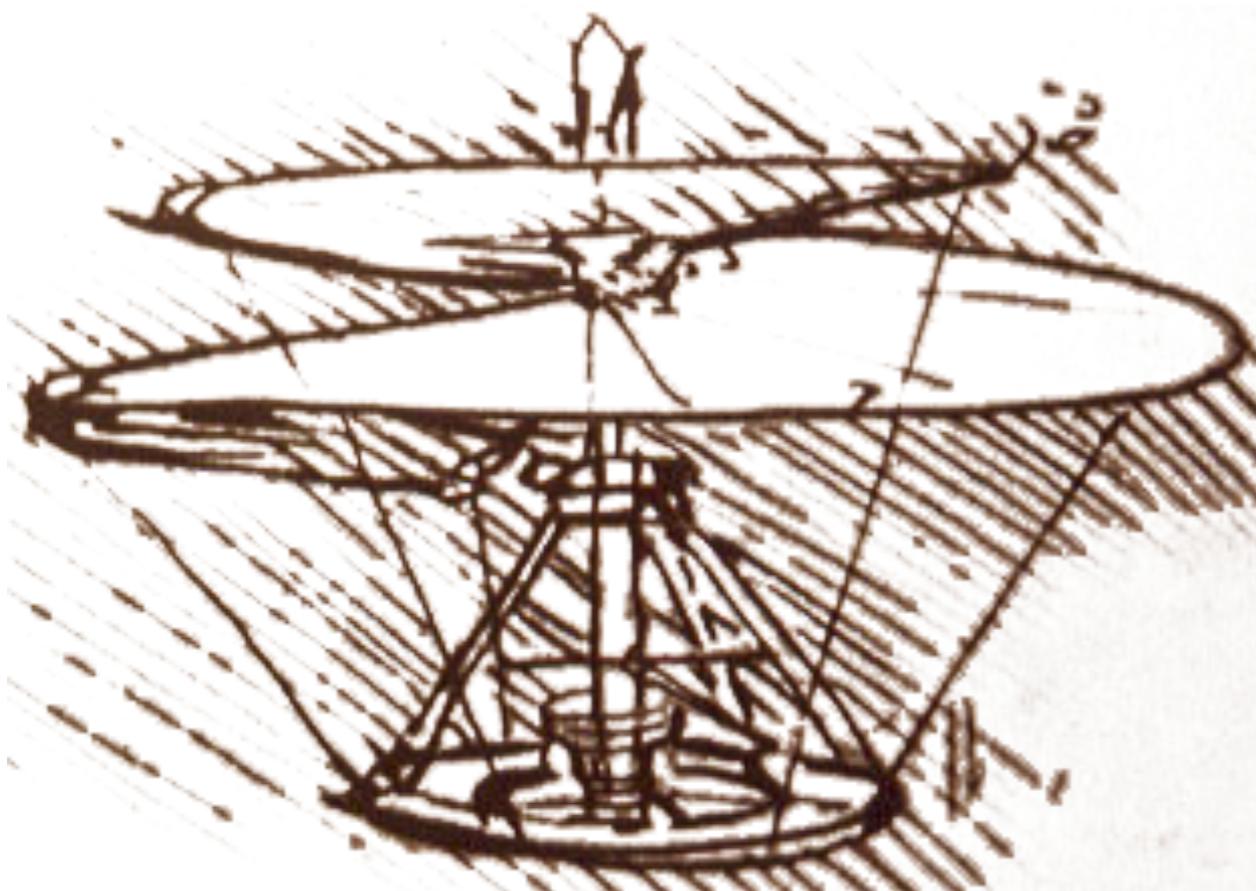


Java as a Platform



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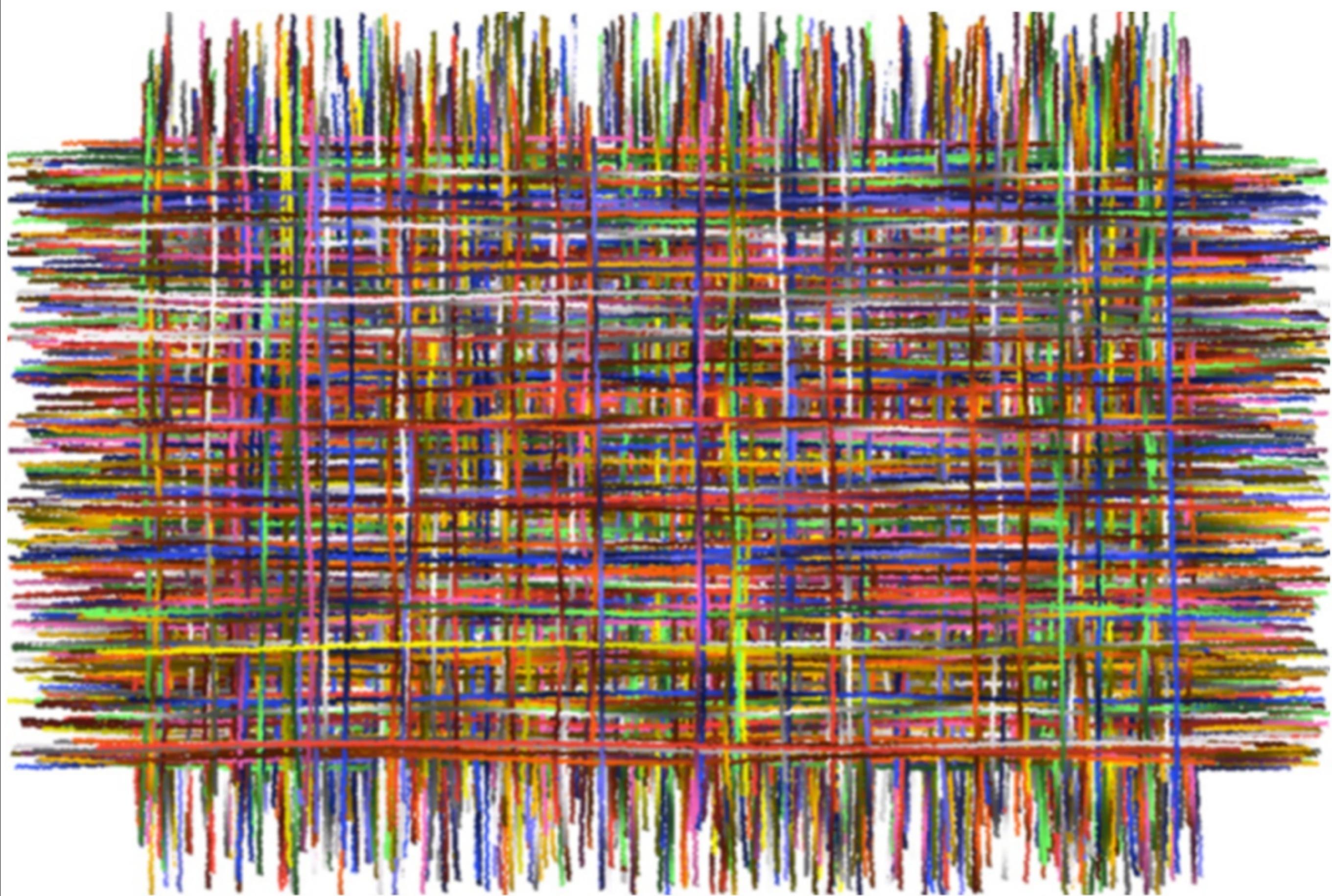
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Platform

what you get





Code loading

Platform independence

A CRYPTO NERD'S
IMAGINATION:

HIS LAPTOP'S ENCRYPTED.
LET'S BUILD A MILLION-DOLLAR
CLUSTER TO CRACK IT.

NO GOOD! IT'S
4096-BIT RSA!

BLAST! OUR
EVIL PLAN
IS FOILED!



WHAT WOULD
ACTUALLY HAPPEN:

HIS LAPTOP'S ENCRYPTED.
DRUG HIM AND HIT HIM WITH
THIS \$5 WRENCH UNTIL
HE TELLS US THE PASSWORD.

GOT IT.



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Languages

Aardappel	Gosu	JudoScript	Scala
ABCL	Groovy	Jython	SISC
AJLogo	Hecl	Kawa	Sixx
Anvil	Hojo	Lili	Skij
BDC Scheme	HotScheme	Lisp	Sleep
BeanShell	HotTEA	LL	SmallWorld
Bex Script	Ioke	Mapyrus	StarLogo
Bigloo	iScript	MetaJ	Talks2
Bistro	Jacl	Mini	TermWare
CAL	Jaja	NetLogo	Thorn
Ceylon	Janino	Nice	tuProlog
CKI Prolog	Jatha	Obol	Turtle Tracks
Clojure	javalog	PERCobol	uts
COCOA	JBasic	PLAN	v-language
CONVERT	Jickle	Pnuts	W4F
Correlate	JLog	PS3i	webLISP
Demeter/Java	JMatch	Quercus	WLShell
dSelf	Join Java	Resin	XProlog
Fan	JoyJ	Rhino	Yassl
FScript	JRuby	rLogo	Ync/Javascript
Funnel	JScheme	Sather	Yoix

Paradigms

Object Oriented

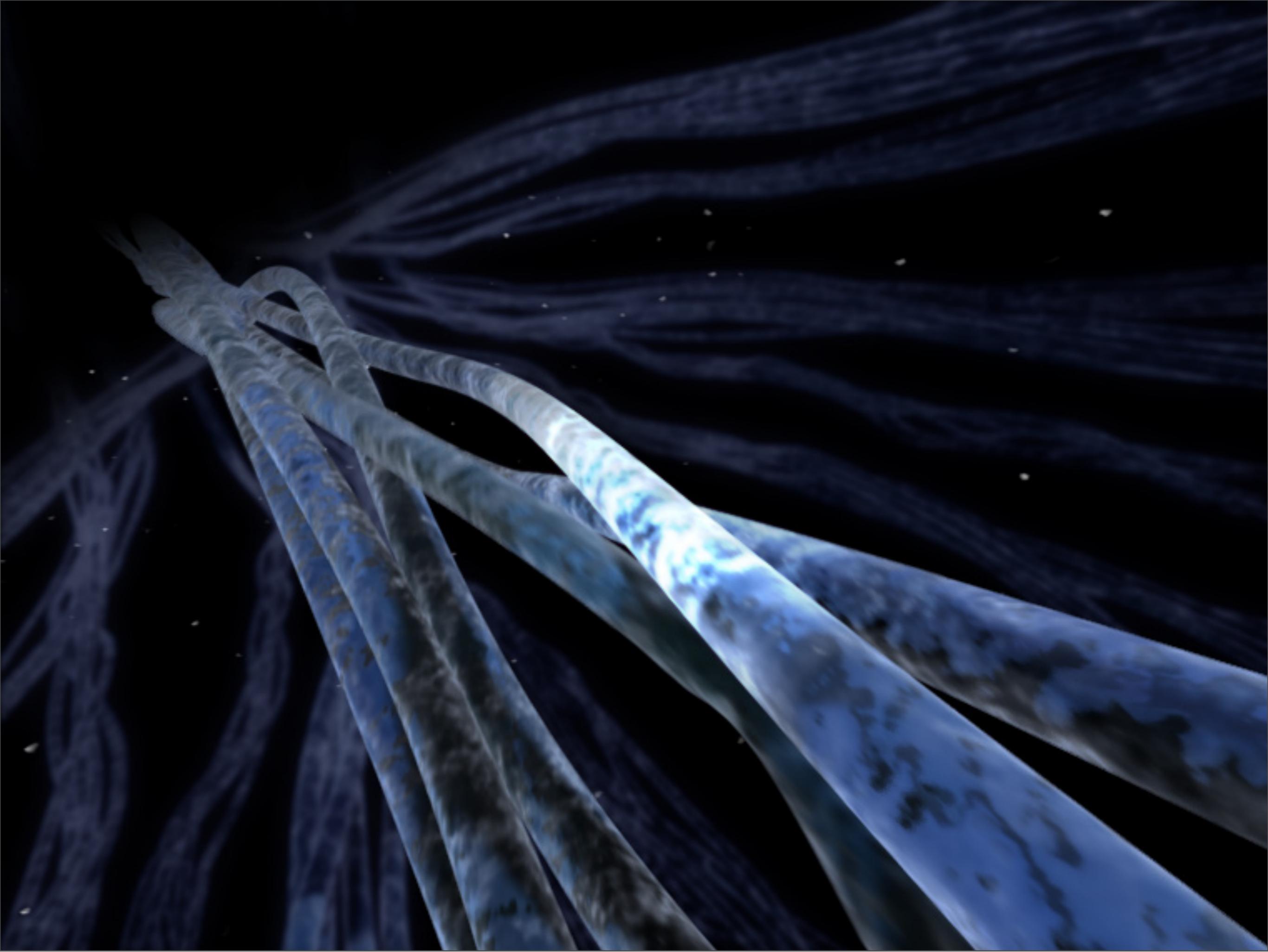
Statically typed

Dynamically typed

Concatenative

And many more...

What's missing?



Light code loading

Variable static typing





value objects

JVM Safepoint

JVM Library Help

Symbolic freedom

Interface Injection

Language Specific Invocation

The DaVinci Machine

JSR292

**Dynamic
dispatch today**

Some machinery

Class Values

Analog to ThreadLocal

Allows association of classes to values

Values are computed lazily

Installation of new values happen atomically

It works on any type, including int.class or void.class

You can remove Class Values for a specific type too

```
import java.lang.ClassValue;

public class ClassValueTest {
    private final static ClassValue<MethodTable> methods =
        new ClassValue<MethodTable>() {
            public MethodTable computeValue(Class<?> type) {
                return MethodTable.newTableFor(type);
            }
        };
}

public static void main(String[] args) {
    MethodTable intMethods = methods.get(int.class);
    MethodTable stringMethods = methods.get(String.class);
    // Do something extremely cool here
}
}
```

Method Handles

Combinators

Collect arguments

Spread arguments

Binding to a specific object

Convert a MethodHandle to an instance of a SAM

Convert arguments

Filter arguments and return values

Fold arguments

Catch exceptions

Permute arguments

Guard with test

```
static MethodHandle guardWithTest(MethodHandle test,  
                                  MethodHandle target,  
                                  MethodHandle fallback)
```

Easy way to implement Monomorphic Inline Cache

Most likely thing to be returned from InvokeDynamic

SwitchPoint

MethodHandle guardWithTest(MH target, MH fallback)

static void invalidateAll(SwitchPoint[] switchPoints)

Makes it possible to publish a one time state transition

It begins in a valid state

Can at any point become invalid

Invalidation is global, immediate and permanent

InvokeDynamic

Call site

Bootstrap Method

```
public static CallSite bootstrapOne(  
    MethodHandles.Lookup callerClassLookup,  
    String methodName,  
    MethodType typeDescriptor,  
    String staticArg1,  
    String staticArg2) {  
    return new ConstantCallSite(someMethodHandle);  
}
```

InvokeDynamic

An Example

SephCallSite.java

```
public class SephCallSite extends MutableCallSite {  
    private enum Morphicity {  
        NILADIC, MONOMORPHIC, POLYMORPHIC, MEGAMORPHIC  
    }  
  
    int numberOfGuards = 0;  
    Morphicity morphicity = Morphicity.NILADIC;  
  
    public SephCallSite(MethodType type) {  
        super(type);  
    }  
}
```

AbstractionCompiler.java

```
String bootstrapName = "basicSephBootstrap";
boolean fullPumping = false;

if(first) {
    if(current == last) {
        bootstrapName = "noReceiverTailCallSephBootstrap";
        fullPumping = true;
    } else {
        bootstrapName = "noReceiverSephBootstrap";
        fullPumping = false;
    }
} else if(current == last) {
    bootstrapName = "tailCallSephBootstrap";
    fullPumping = true;
}

ma.dynamicCall(encode(current.name()), sigFor(arity),
               bootstrapNamed(bootstrapName + possibleIntrinsic));
```

Bootstrap.java

```
private static CallSite bootstrap(MethodHandles.Lookup lookup, String name,
                                  MethodType type, String bootstrapType) {
    SephCallSite site = new SephCallSite(type);
    MethodType fallbackType = type.insertParameterTypes(0,
                                                       SephCallSite.class, String.class);
    MethodHandle fallback = MethodHandles.insertArguments(
        findStatic(Bootstrap.class, bootstrapType, fallbackType),
        0, site, decode(name));
    site.setTarget(fallback);
    return site;
}

public static CallSite basicSephBootstrap(MethodHandles.Lookup lookup,
                                         String name, MethodType type) {
    return bootstrap(lookup, name, type, "fallback");
}
```

Bootstrap.java (continued)

```
public static SephObject fallback(SephCallSite site, String name, SephObject receiver,
                                  SThread thread, LexicalScope scope, IPersistentList args) {
    SephObject value = receiver.get(name);
    if(null == value) {
        throw new RuntimeException(" *** couldn't find: " + name + " on " + receiver);
    }
    if(value.isActivatable()) {
        site.installActivatableEntry(receiver, null, value, -1);
        return value.activateWith(receiver, thread, scope, args);
    } else {
        site.installConstantEntry(receiver, null, value, -1);
    }
    return value;
}
```

Bootstrap.java (continued)

```
public static SephObject initialSetup_intrinsic_if(SephCallSite site, MethodHandle slow,
                                                SephObject receiver, SThread thread,
                                                LexicalScope scope, MethodHandle test,
                                                MethodHandle then, MethodHandle _else)
throws Throwable {
    MethodHandle guarded = thread.runtimeINTRINSIC_IF_SP.guardWithTest(
        INTRINSIC_IF_MH, replaceCompletely3(slow, site));
    site.setTarget(guarded);
    return (SephObject)guarded.invokeExact(receiver, thread, scope, test, then, _else);
}
```

Runtime.java

```
public final SwitchPoint INTRINSIC_IF_SP = new SwitchPoint();
public static void empty() {}
public static void invalidate(SwitchPoint sp) {
    SwitchPoint.invalidateAll(new SwitchPoint[] {sp});
}
public final MethodHandle INVALIDATE_IF = INTRINSIC_IF_SP.guardWithTest(
    INVALIDATE_MH.bindTo(INTRINSIC_IF_SP), EMPTY_MH);
public void checkIntrinsicAssignment(String name) {
    name = name.intern();
    try {
        if(name == "true") {
            INVALIDATE_TRUE.invokeExact();
        } else if(name == "if") {
            INVALIDATE_IF.invokeExact();
        }
    } catch(Throwable e) {}
}
```

JSR292.next?

Questions?

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