# IFIP WG2.8 **Project Fortress: from SunLabs to KAIST** or, from Industrial Labs to Academia

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# Static Program Analysis (at KAIST)





# Debugging Everywhere (at Harvard)





# Fortress Programming Language (at Sun Labs.)





### **Project Fortress**

- A multicore language for scientists and engineers
- Run your whiteboard in parallel!

 $v_{\text{norm}} = \underline{v/||v||}$   $\sum_{k \leftarrow 1:n} \underline{a_k} \underline{x^k}$   $C = \underline{A \cup B}$   $y = \underline{3x} \underline{\sin x} \underline{\cos 2x} \log \underline{\log x}$ 

"Growing a Language"
 Guy L. Steele Jr., keynote talk, OOPSLA 1998



#### **Project Fortress: History**

- Fortress is a growable, mathematically oriented, parallel programming language for scientific applications.
- Started under Sun/DARPA HPCS program, 2003–2006.
- Fortress is now an open-source project with international participation.
- The Fortress 1.0 release (March 2008) synchronized the specification and implementation.
- Moving forward, we are growing the language and libraries and developing a compiler.



#### **Project Fortress: Sales Pitch**

• Convolver in Satnam Singh's slides yesterday

```
for (int i = 0; i < a.Length; i++)
ypar += a[i] * A.Shift(xpar, -i);</pre>
```

• Convolver in Fortress

$$y_t = \sum_{k \leftarrow 0 \# N} a_k x_{t-k}$$

- "Birdcount" programs<sup>a</sup>
  - > Collaboration with Mike Zody at the Broad Institute <sup>b</sup>
  - > Find chicken mutants with reference chicken genome

<sup>a</sup>http://projectfortress.sun.com/Projects/Community/browser/trunk/ ProjectFortress/demos

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>b</sup> "Birds of a feather inherit together: Chicken breeds shed light on genes underlying domestic traits", http://www.broadinstitute.org/news/1430





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#### **Formalism for Fortress**

- Fortress calculi
  - > Basic core Fortress
  - > Core Fortress with where clauses
  - > Core Fortress with overloading
  - > Acyclic core Fortress with field definitions
- For each Fortress calculus
  - > Syntax
  - > Static semantics
  - > Dynamic semantics
  - > Type soundness proof



#### **Core Fortress with Where Clauses**

- "Hidden Type Variables and Conditional Extension for More Expressive Generic Programs," Joseph J. Hallett, Ph.D. Dissertation, Boston University, 2007
- "Implementing Hidden Type Variables in Fortress," Joe Hallett, Eric Allen, and Sukyoung Ryu. Chapter in book: *Semantic Engineering with PLT Redex,* Matthias Felleisen, Robby Findler, and Matthew Flatt. MIT Press. July 2009.



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- · Fortress, a multicore programming language for scientists and engineers
- Proof assistants for programming languages and program analyses
- · Scalable, accurate, and practical program analyses
- Programming environments for debugging and testing

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#### Fortress Type System

- Traits are like Java<sup>TM</sup> interfaces, but may contain code
- Objects are like Java<sup>TM</sup> classes, but may not be extended
- Multiple inheritance of code (but not fields)
  - > Objects with fields are the leaves of the hierarchy
- Traits and objects may be parameterized
  - > Parameters may be types or compile-time constants
- Primitive types are first-class
  - > Booleans, integers, floats, characters are all objects



### **Basic Core Fortress (BCF)**

lpha,eta			type variables
au, au', au''	::=	$\alpha$   $\sigma$	type
$\sigma$	::=	$N \qquad \mid  O[[\overrightarrow{\tau}]]$	named type
N, M, L	::=	$T\llbracket \overrightarrow{\tau}  rbracket $   Object	trait type
p	::=	$\overrightarrow{d} e$	program
d	::=	$td \qquad    od$	definition
td	::=	$\texttt{trait} \ T[\![\overrightarrow{\alpha} \text{ extends } \overrightarrow{N}]\!] \text{ extends } \{\overrightarrow{N}\} \ \overrightarrow{fd} \text{ end}$	trait definition
od	::=	$\texttt{object} \ O[\![\overrightarrow{\alpha} \text{ extends } \overrightarrow{N}]\!](\overrightarrow{x:\tau}) \text{ extends } \{\overrightarrow{N}\} \ \overrightarrow{fd} \text{ end}$	object definition
fd	::=	$f[\![\overline{\alpha \text{ extends }N}]\!](\overrightarrow{x:\tau}):\tau = e$	method definition
e	::=	x	expression
		self	
		$O[\![\overrightarrow{\tau}]\!](\overrightarrow{e})$	
		e.x	
		$e.f[\![\overrightarrow{\tau}]\!](\overrightarrow{e})$	



#### **BCF:** Multiple Inheritance



#### **BCF: Static Semantics**

$$\text{Method type lookup: } \left[ \ mtype_p(f,\tau) = \{ \llbracket \overrightarrow{\alpha \text{ extends } N} \rrbracket \ \overrightarrow{\tau} \to \tau \} \right.$$

$$[MT-SELF] \qquad -C[[\overrightarrow{\alpha \text{ extends }}_{-}]]_{-} \overrightarrow{fd}_{-} \in p \qquad f[[\overrightarrow{\beta \text{ extends }} \overrightarrow{M}]](\overrightarrow{-}; \overrightarrow{\tau}): \tau_{0}' = e \in \{\overrightarrow{fd}\}$$
$$mtype_{p}(f, C[[\overrightarrow{\tau}]]) = \{[\overrightarrow{\tau}/\overrightarrow{\alpha}]][[\overrightarrow{\beta \text{ extends }} \overrightarrow{M}]] \overrightarrow{\tau}' \to \tau_{0}'\}$$
$$[MT-SUPER] \qquad -C[[\overrightarrow{\alpha \text{ extends }}_{-}]]_{-} \quad \text{extends}\{\overrightarrow{N}\}_{-} \overrightarrow{fd}_{-} \in p \qquad f \notin \{\overrightarrow{Fname(fd)}\}\}$$
$$mtype_{p}(f, C[[\overrightarrow{\tau}]]) = \bigcup_{N_{i} \in \{\overrightarrow{N}\}} mtype_{p}(f, [\overrightarrow{\tau}/\overrightarrow{\alpha}]N_{i})$$

$$[\text{MT-OBJ}] \qquad \qquad mtype_p(f, \text{Object}) = \emptyset$$



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$$[\text{MT-SUPER}] \qquad \underbrace{-C[\![\overrightarrow{\alpha \text{ extends }}]\!]_{-} \text{ extends}\{\overrightarrow{N}\}_{-} \overrightarrow{fd}_{-} \in p \qquad f \notin \{\overrightarrow{Fname(fd)}\}}_{mtype_{p}(f, C[\![\overrightarrow{\tau}]\!])} = \bigcup_{\substack{N_{i} \in \{\overrightarrow{N}\}}} mtype_{p}(f, [\overrightarrow{\tau}/\overrightarrow{\alpha}]N_{i})$$

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#### **BCF: Dynamic Semantics**

$$v ::= O[[\overrightarrow{\tau}](\overrightarrow{v})$$

$$E ::= \Box$$

$$| O[[\overrightarrow{\tau}](\overrightarrow{e} E \overrightarrow{e})$$

$$| E.x$$

$$| E.f[[\overrightarrow{\tau}](\overrightarrow{e})$$

$$| e.f[[\overrightarrow{\tau}](\overrightarrow{e})$$

$$R ::= v.x$$

$$| v.f[[\overrightarrow{\tau}](\overrightarrow{v})$$

value

evaluation context

redex



#### **BCF: Nondeterminism**

$$v :::= O[[\vec{\tau}](\vec{v})$$

$$E :::= \Box$$

$$| O[[\vec{\tau}](\vec{e} E \vec{e})$$

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$$| E.f[[\vec{\tau}](\vec{e})$$

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$$R :::= v.x$$

$$| v.f[[\vec{\tau}](\vec{v})$$

value

evaluation context

redex



#### **BCF in Coq:** Multiple Inheritance

#### • With primitive recursion

```
(* Method type lookup
    mtype_p(f, sigma) = {[\ \overline{alpha extends N} \]\overline{ty} -> ty}
 *
*)
Definition mtype (p:P) (mn:m) (t:ty) : (list tv * list nty * list ty * ty) :=
 match t with
  | nty2ty(tty2nty tty_object) => (nil, nil, nil, ty_object)(* Mt-Obj *)
  | nty2ty(tty2nty (tty_tty tn tys)) => mtype' p mn (tcl2cl tn) tys(* trait *)
                                                                   (* object *)
  . . .
Fixpoint mtype' (p:P) (mn:m) (name:cl) (tys:list ty)
                : (list tv * list nty * list ty * ty) :=
                     (* convert cl to nty *)
 let namedt := ...
 let ps := paths p namedt in (* collect all the paths from namedt to Object *)
 let collected :=
                              (* collect all the methods from the paths *)
     filter (fun res => match res with Some sig => true | _ => false end)
             (map (fun (path:list nty) => mtype'' p mn path name tys) ps) in
                               (* check there is only one and return it *)
  . . .
```

. . .



#### **BCF in Coq: Multiple Inheritance**

```
(* Collect all the defined and inherited methods from a given path *)
Fixpoint mtype'' (p:P) (mn:m) (path :list nty) (name:cl) (tys:list ty)
                 : option (list tv * list nty * list ty * ty) :=
 match path with
  | nil => None
  | cons nt path' =>
   match get_decl p name with
    | Some decl =>
     match (find (fun d:md => match d with
                     md_def (ms_def mn' _ _ ) _ =>
                     if eq_nat_dec mn mn' then true else false
                   end) (cld2mds decl)) with
      Some (md_def (ms_def _ tvds vds retty) _) => (* Mt-Self *)
        . . .
      | None => (* Mt-Super *)
       mtype'' p mn path' name tys
      end
```



#### **BCF in Coq:** Multiple Inheritance

```
(* Collect all the paths from nt to Object *)
Definition paths (p:P) (nt:nty) : list (list nty) :=
   paths' p nt (length (get_decls p)).
```

```
Function paths' (p:P) (nt:nty) (bound:nat) {struct bound} : list (list nty) :=
  match bound with
  \mid S bound' =>
    let (tname,tas) := nty2nameTas nt in
    match get_decl p tname with
    | Some decl =>
      let sub := make_subst_tty tas (cld2tvs decl) in
      let supers := map sub (cld2supers decl) in
      fold_right (fun (sup:tty) (ps:list (list nty)) =>
                      (map (fun (1:list nty) => nt :: 1)
                           (paths' p (tty2nty sup) bound')) ++ ps
                 ) nil supers
    | _ => nil (* !!! decl is not found; should be Object !!! *)
    end
  | _ => nil (* !!! bound not met !!! *)
  end.
```



#### **BCF in Coq: Work in Progress**

- Nondeterministic dynamic semantics
- Coercion between language constructs
- Test-driven development
  - > Fortress  $\rightarrow$  BCF parser
  - > Test programs
- Raising an exception vs static manipulation
  - > Library Coq.Lists.List



#### **Core Fortress with Overloading**

- Basic core Fortress (BCF) + overloading
- Overloading
  - > Multiple declarations for the same functional name visible in a single scope
  - > Several of the overloaded declarations may be applicable to any particular functional call



#### **Functionals in Fortress**

- Functionals
  - > Functions
    - \* Top-level functions
    - Local functions
  - > Methods
    - Dotted methods
    - Functional methods
- Special functionals
  - > Operators
  - > Coercions



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- Special functionals
  - > Operators top-level functions or functional methods
  - > Coercions special dotted methods

first-class values
top-level in components or APIs
within blocks
have owners (traits or objects)
implicit self
explicit self



#### Methods

- Methods are declared within traits or objects.
  - > top-level in enclosing traits or objects
  - > self is declared as a parameter of a method
- Dotted methods
  - > invoked by a method call syntax
  - > its receiver is bound to the self parameter
  - > the value of self is the receiver
- Functional methods
  - > invoked by a function call syntax
  - > the corresponding argument is bound to the self param.
  - > the value of self is the argument passed to it



#### **Dotted Methods vs Functional Methods**

 $\begin{aligned} &\texttt{trait SequentialGenerator}\llbracket E \rrbracket \texttt{ extends } \{ \texttt{Generator}\llbracket E \rrbracket \} \\ & seq(\texttt{self}) : \texttt{SequentialGenerator}\llbracket E \rrbracket \texttt{ = self} \\ & map \llbracket G \rrbracket (f : E \to G) : \texttt{SequentialGenerator} \llbracket G \rrbracket \texttt{ = } \\ & \texttt{SimpleMappedSeqGenerator} \llbracket E, G \rrbracket (\texttt{self}, f) \end{aligned}$ 

 ${\tt end} \ Sequential Generator$ 

. . .

- Dotted methods: g.map[[R]](f)
- Functional methods: seq(g)



## Why Dotted Methods?

• Good for data extensibility

```
trait Flower
```

color(): String

end

color() = "White"



### Why Functions?

- For function extensibility with overloaded functions
  - Multiple declarations with the same name

```
color(r: Rose) = "Red"
color(r: Lily) = "White"
```

> Dynamic dispatch selects the most specific definition at run time

```
countRoses(x: Flower, y: Flower) = 0
```

```
countRoses(x: Flower, y: Rose) = 1
```

```
rose: Flower = Rose
countRoses(rose, rose)
```



#### Why Functional Methods?

- For data extensibility and encapsulation
- For function extensibility even with top-level functions
- For mathematical syntax with overloaded operators

```
trait Matrix excludes Vector
    opr ·(self, other: Vector): Matrix
    opr ·(other: Vector, self): Matrix
end
```

 $v \cdot M + M \cdot v$ 



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```
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```

```
countRoses(x: Flower, y: Rose) = 1
```

```
countRoses(x: Rose, y: Flower) = 1
```

```
rose: Flower = Rose
countRoses(rose, rose) (* Ambiguous call! *)
```

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```
trait Flower end
trait Thorny end
object Rose extends { Flower, Thorny } end
toString(x: Flower) = "Flower"
toString(x: Thorny) = "Thorny"
toString(Rose) (* Ambiguous call! *)
```

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- Solution: Static overloading rules to guarantee the goal

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#### Language Features

- Components: Import other APIs but modularly checked
- Traits: Multiple inheritance of code without fields
- Objects: Leaves of type hierarchy containing fields
- Exclusive types: No object is a subtype of excluding traits.
- Functional Methods: explicit self parameter in the parameter list, rather than an implicit self parameter before the method name

```
trait Matrix excludes Vector
```

```
\texttt{opr} \ (\texttt{self}, \textit{other}: \textit{Vector}): \textit{Matrix}
```

```
opr ·(other: Vector, self): Matrix
```

end

 $v \cdot M + M \cdot v$ 



### **Overloading Rules**

- Compare overloaded declarations pairwise.
- If any rule holds then a valid overloading:
  - > Exclusion Rule
  - > Subtype Rule
  - > Meet Rule



#### **Exclusion Rule**

• Parameter types exclude each other.

trait Animal excludes Flower end
eat(who: Animal, what: Flower): Boolean
eat(who: Flower, what: Animal): Boolean



### Subtype Rule

- Parameter type of one declaration is a subtype of the other.
- Return types must also be in subtype relation.

characteristic(x: Flower): Object
characteristic(x: Rose): Thorny



#### **Meet Rule for Functions**

• Exists a declaration that is more specific than both.

countRoses(x: Flower, y: Rose) = 1countRoses(x: Rose, y: Flower) = 1countRoses(x: Rose, y: Rose) = 2



### Meet Rule for Functional Methods (I)

Treating functional methods like functions is too restrictive.

trait Flower

name(self)

 $\operatorname{end}$ 

trait Thorny

name(self)



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```
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```

name(self)

end

```
object Rose extends { Flower, Thorny }
    name(self) = "Rose"
```



#### Meet Rule for Functional Methods (II)

• Ambiguity due to self parameter position

object Rose extends Flower

```
countRoses(self, l: Lily) = 1
```

end

```
object Lily extends Flower
```

```
countRoses(r: Rose, self) = 1
```

```
countRoses(Rose, Lily)
```



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```
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```

```
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```

end

```
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```

```
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```

```
countRoses(Rose, Lily)
```

- Any trait or object declaration that provides both also provides a declaration that is more specific than both.
- self parameters must be in the same position.



#### **Overloading Resolution Proof**

**Theorem 1.** If all the overloaded declarations satisfy the static overloading rules, there are no ambiguous nor undefined calls at run time.



#### How about Generic Functionals?

• Overloaded declarations must have static parameters that are identical (up to  $\alpha$ -equivalence).

 $\begin{aligned} & first [\![\text{T1}, \text{T2}, \textbf{T3}]\!] \left(x: (\text{T1}, \text{T2})\right): \text{T1} = \text{do} (a, \_) = x; a \text{ end} \\ & second [\![\text{T1}, \text{T2}, \textbf{T3}]\!] \left(x: (\text{T1}, \text{T2})\right): \text{T2} = \text{do} (\_, b) = x; b \text{ end} \\ & first [\![\text{T1}, \text{T2}, \text{T3}]\!] \left(x: (\text{T1}, \text{T2}, \text{T3})\right): \text{T1} = \text{do} (a, \_, \_) = x; a \text{ end} \\ & second [\![\text{T1}, \text{T2}, \text{T3}]\!] \left(x: (\text{T1}, \text{T2}, \text{T3})\right): \text{T2} = \text{do} (\_, b, \_) = x; b \text{ end} \\ & third [\![\text{T1}, \text{T2}, \text{T3}]\!] \left(x: (\text{T1}, \text{T2}, \text{T3})\right): \text{T3} = \text{do} (\_, b, \_) = x; c \text{ end} \end{aligned}$ 



#### **More Generic Functionals**

```
trait Number
```

. . .

```
opr \cdot(self, b: Number): \mathbb{R}64
end
opr \cdot [\![T \text{ extends Number, nat } n ]\!]
(me: \operatorname{Vector}[\![T, n]\!], other: \operatorname{Vector}[\![T, n]\!]): T
opr \cdot [\![T \text{ extends Number, nat } n ]\!]
(other: T, me: \operatorname{Vector}[\![T, n]\!]): \operatorname{Vector}[\![T, n]\!]
opr \cdot [\![T \text{ extends Number, nat } n, \operatorname{nat } m, \operatorname{nat } p]\!]
(me: \operatorname{Matrix}[\![T, n, m]\!], other: \operatorname{Matrix}[\![T, m, p]\!]): \operatorname{Matrix}[\![T, n, p]\!]
```



#### **More Features to Prove**

- Generic overloaded functionals
- Where clauses
- Coercions
- Type inferene
- Self-type idiom<sup>a</sup>
- Pattern matching

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>http://projectfortress.sun.com/Projects/Community/blog/category/ SelfTypes

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