

Arena Allocation
via
Bytecode Transformation

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Outline

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Simple Case

```
class Arena {  
  class Foo implements Gladiator {  
    char c;  
    Foo f;  
    String s;  
  }  
}
```



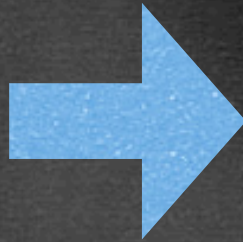
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class Arena {  
  int    Foo$num;  
  char[] Foo$c;  
  int[]  Foo$f;  
  String[] Foo$s;  
}
```


Allocation

```
class Arena {  
  class Foo {  
    char c;  
    Foo f;  
    String s;  
  }  
}
```

```
void foo() {  
  Foo x = new Foo();  
}
```

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}
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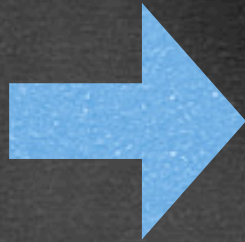
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  int      Foo$num;  
  char[]   Foo$c;  
  int[]    Foo$f;  
  String[] Foo$s;  
}
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void foo() {  
  int x = Foo$num++;  
  if (Foo$num > Foo$c.length){  
    // grow the arrays  
  }  
}
```

```
}
```

Boxing / Unboxing

```
class Arena {  
    class Foo {  
        char c;  
        Foo f;  
        String s;  
    }  
    Vector v;  
    void foo() {  
        Foo x = new Foo();  
  
        v.add(x);  
        x = v.get(0);  
    }  
}
```



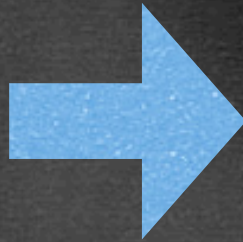
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    int      Foo$num;  
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    Vector v;  
    void foo() {  
        int x = Foo$num++;  
        if (Foo$num > Foo$c.length){  
            // grow the arrays  
        }  
        v.add(new Integer(x));  
        x = ((Integer)v.get(0))  
            .intValue();  
    }  
}
```


Dealing with null

```
class Arena {
  class Foo {
    char c;
    Foo f;
    String s;
  }
  Vector v;
  void foo() {
    Foo x = new Foo();

    v.add(x);
    x = v.get(0);

    if (x==null)
      throw RuntimeException();
  }
}
```



```
class Arena {
  int      Foo$num;
  char[]   Foo$c;
  int[]    Foo$f;
  String[] Foo$s;

  Vector v;
  void foo() {
    int x = Foo$num++;
    if (Foo$num > Foo$c.length){
      // grow the arrays
    }
    v.add(new Integer(x));
    x = ((Integer)v.get(0))
      .intValue();

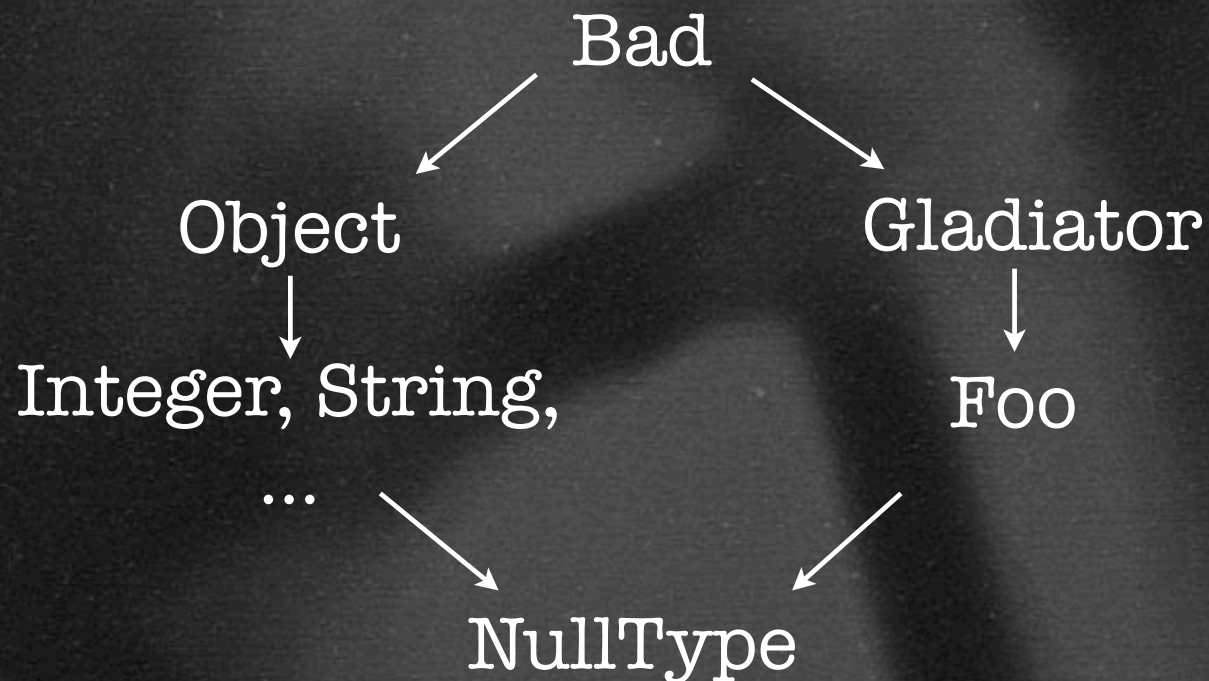
    if (x==0)
      throw RuntimeException();
  }
}
```

Flow-insensitive Analysis

- Simple flow-insensitive analysis is used for
 - boxing/unboxing
 - devirtualizability checking
 - visibility of the Gladiator class
- Very similar to Bogda&Holze (OOPSLA'99)

Flow-insensitive Analysis

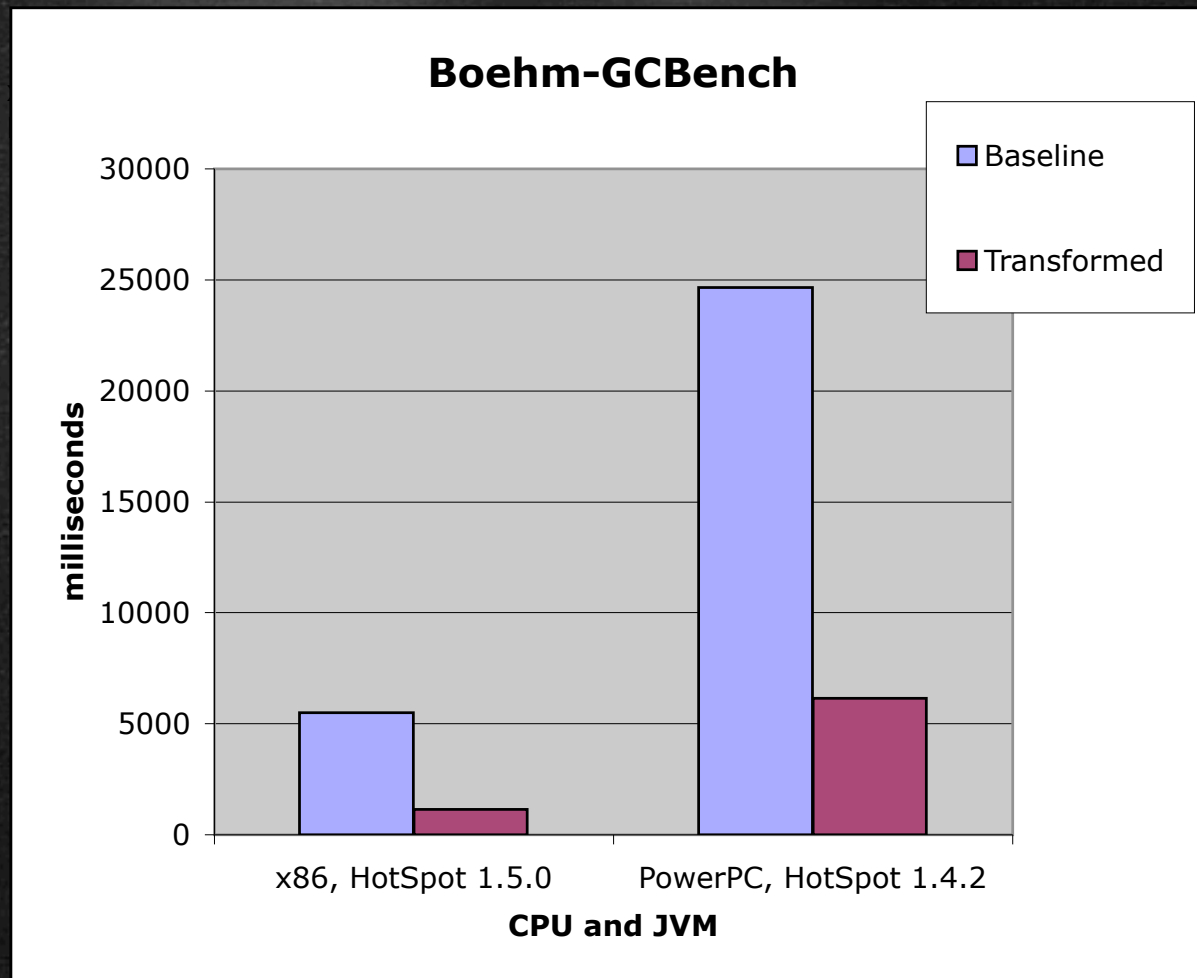
- Slightly more sophisticated flow-insensitive analysis for null/0 conversion. Simple unification over this lattice:



Flow-Sensitive Analysis

- Ideal analysis: Escape Analysis for Java, Choi, Gupta, Serrano, Sreedhar, Midkiff (OOPSLA'09)
- I attempted a much simpler (and much, much less efficient) analysis
 - single bit for each SSA variable
 - 0 = cannot point to an [un]boxed Gladiator
 - 1 = might point to an [un]boxed Gladiator
 - Run Soot's convenient flow-sensitive analysis with simple bitwise OR as the join function.
 - It's sorta working. Somewhat. Okay, not really.

Results: 5x on GC Bench



Availability

<http://arenaj.sourceforge.net>