

Cross-Language Interoperability in a Multi-Language Runtime

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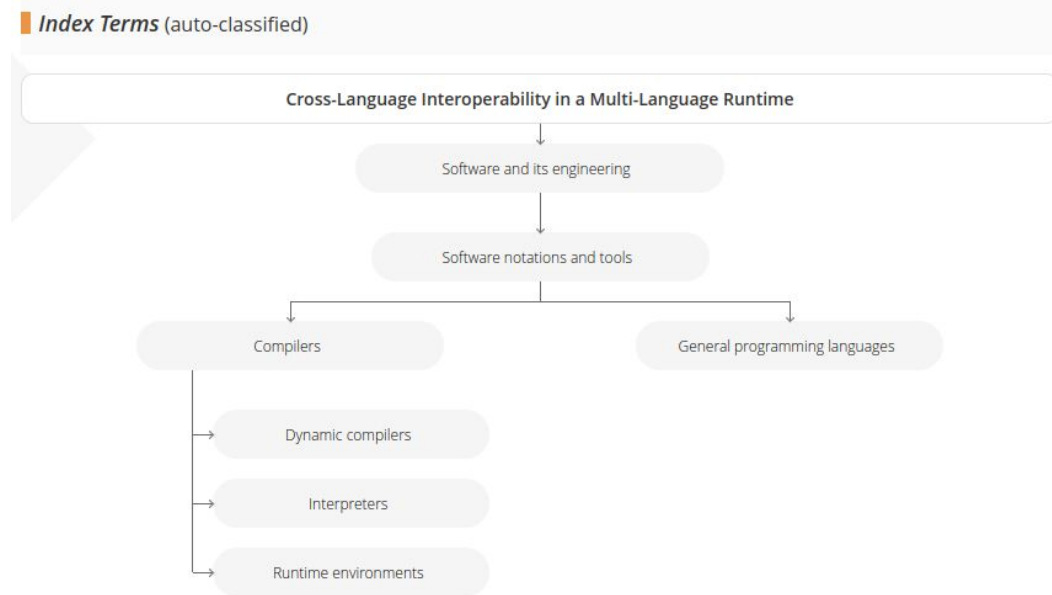
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What did they do

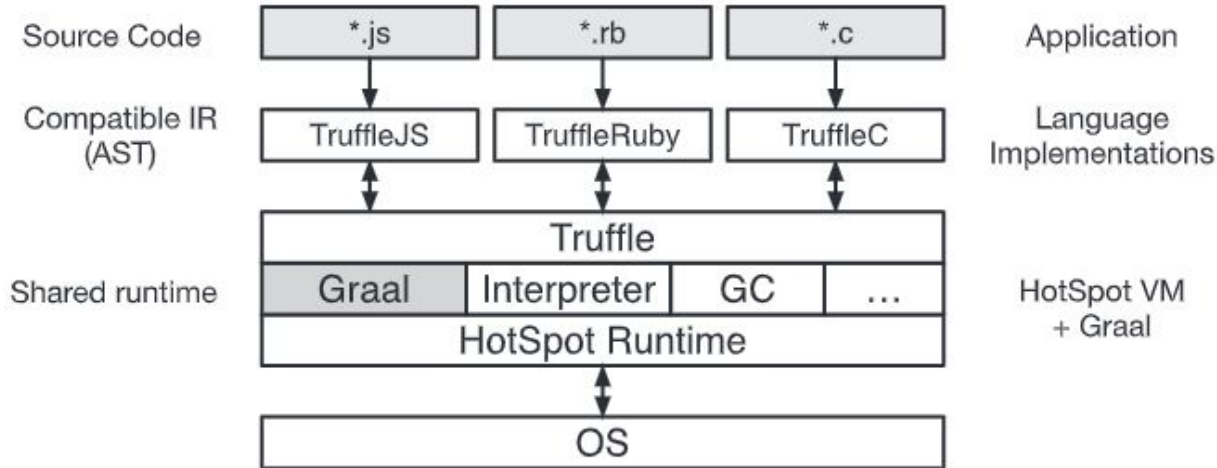


Fig. 3. Layers of the TruffleVM: TruffleJS, TruffleRuby, and TruffleC are hosted by the Truffle framework on top of the HotSpot VM (using Graal as a JIT compiler).

Features

- Pictures in the same style
- A lot of useful refs
- “Lesson learned”

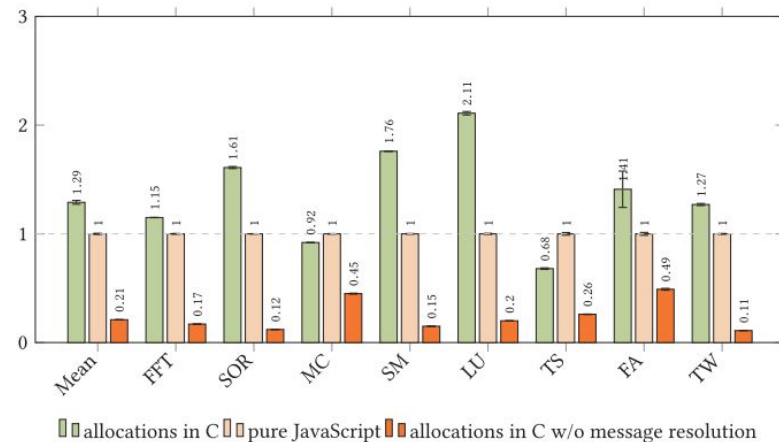
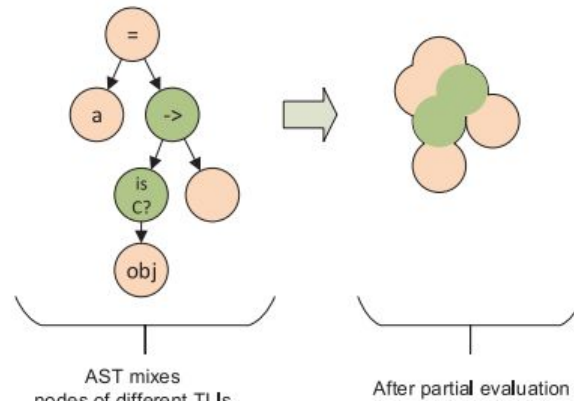


Fig. 16. Main part in JavaScript and allocations in C with and without message resolution (normalized to pure TruffleJS performance; higher is better).

Features

- Implementation effort
- Scale of the project
- Related work (p. 37)

Table 1. Code Metrics of TruffleVM

	Project Size (Lines of Code)	Modification Size (Lines of Code)	Modification Description
Dynamic Compiler: Graal	240k		No changes necessary
Truffle Framework	84k	3k	Message resolution API Multi-language scope
TruffleJS	127k	5.4k	Message resolution implementation
TruffleRuby	129k	3.7k	Message resolution implementation C Extension API implementation
TruffleC	34k	3.4k	Message resolution implementation

6.1 Implementation Effort

We based our work on Truffle and Graal and extended the Truffle framework by *generic access*. Table 1 shows the sizes of the various TruffleVM parts as well as the necessary modification efforts. TruffleJS is an Oracle Labs project, which was started in 2012 as a student project at Johannes Kepler University. As of March 2017, TruffleJS is being developed by a team of seven people. **In total, we estimate the implementation effort of TruffleJS with 19 person-years.** TruffleRuby is also an Oracle Labs project, which was started in 2014, and by the time this article is written, TruffleRuby will be in development by a team of six people. In total, we estimate the implementation effort of

Defects

shows the performance of Google's V8,⁷ Mozilla's Spidermonkey,⁸ and Nashorn as included in JDK 8u5⁹ relative to TruffleJS where the outermost lines show the minimum and maximum performance. The x-axis shows the different language implementations.

Google's V8 is between 210% faster and 67% slower (52% faster on average) than TruffleJS; Mozilla's Spidermonkey is between 160% faster and 22% slower (54% faster on average) than TruffleJS; Nashorn is between 12% faster and 96% slower (74% slower on average) than TruffleJS. A more detailed description of TruffleJS can be found in Ref. [58].

My personal assessment by criteria

- Problem statement. 8 / 10
- Innovation. 8 / 10
- Contribution. 8 / 10
- Logical correctness. 8 / 10
- Proof of statements. 8 / 10
- Readability. 7 / 10

But if you just look at what they have done..