

## Script generated by TTT

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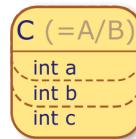
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## Object layout

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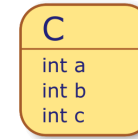


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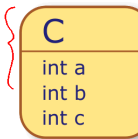


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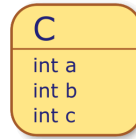
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- 2 Caching the dispatch result (~> Hotspot/JIT)

```
; caching the recent result value of the __dispatch function
; call i32 @_dispatch(%class.C* %c,i32 42)
assert (%c type %class.D) ; verify objects class presumption
call i32 @_f_from_D(%class.C* %c, i32 42) ; directly call f
```

- 3 Precomputing the dispatching result in tables

- 1 Full 2-dim matrix
- 2 1-dim Row Displacement Dispatch Tables
- 3 Virtual Tables (~> LLVM/GNU C++,this talk)

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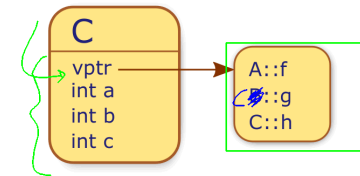
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A	1								
B	1	2							
C	3		4						
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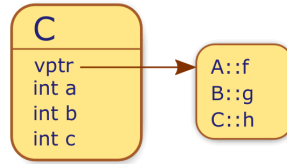
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%class.A = type { i32 (...)** , i32 }
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%1 = load (%class.B*, i32)** %c.vptr ; dereference vptr
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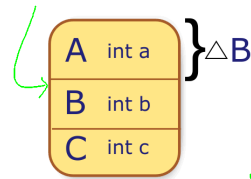
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## Static Type Casts



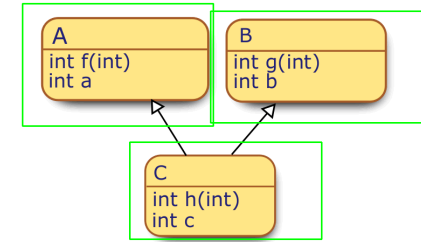
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```
%1 = call i8* @_new(i64 12)
call void @memset.p0i8.i64(i8* %1, i8 0, i64 12, i32 4, i1 false)
%2 = getelementptr i8* %1, i64 4 ; select B-offset in C
%b = bitcast i8* %2 to %class.B*
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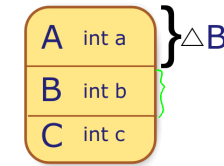
## Multiple inheritance class diagram



## Keeping Calling Conventions



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# Ambiguities



```
class A { void f(int); };
class B { void f(int); };
class C : public A, public B {};
```

```
C* pc;
pc->f(42);
```

⚠ Which method is called?

**Solution I:** Explicit qualification

```
pc->A::f(42);
pc->B::f(42);
```

**Solution II:** Automagical resolution

**Idea:** The Compiler introduces a linear order on the nodes of the inheritance graph

## MRO via DFS

### Leftmost Preorder Depth-First Search

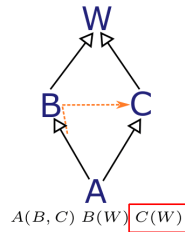
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Python: classical python objects ( $\leq 2.1$ ) use LPDFS!

### LPDFS with Duplicate Cancellation

A B ~~C~~ W



# Linearization



## Principle 1: Inheritance Relation

Defined by parent-child. Example:  
 $C(A, B) \implies C \rightarrow A \wedge C \rightarrow B$   
 $\longrightarrow$

## Principle 2: Multiplicity Relation

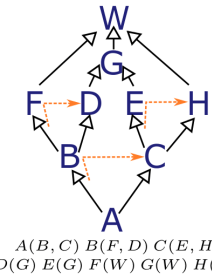
Defined by the succession of multiple parents. Example:  $C(A, B) \implies A \rightarrow B$   
 $\dashrightarrow$

In General:

- 1 Inheritance is a uniform mechanism, and its searches ( $\rightarrow$  total order) apply identically for all object fields or methods
- 2 In the literature, we also find the set of constraints to create a linearization as Method Resolution Order
- 3 Linearization is a best-effort approach at best

## MRO via Refined Postorder DFS

### Reverse Postorder Rightmost DFS



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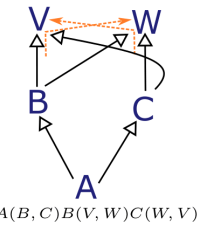
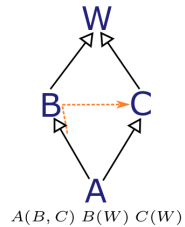
Python: new python objects (2.2) use LPDFS(DC)!

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⚠ Principle 2 *multiplicity* not fulfillable

⚠ However  $B \rightarrow C \implies W \rightarrow V??$



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$$L[A] = ABFDCEGHW$$

✓ Linear extension of inheritance relation

### RPRDFS

$$L[A] = ABCDGEF$$

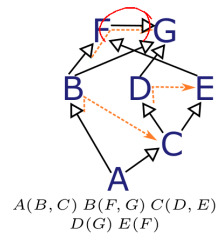
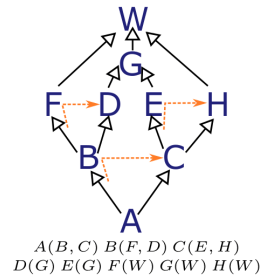
⚠ But principle 2 *multiplicity* is violated!

CLOS: uses Refined RPDFS [3]

### Refined RPRDFS

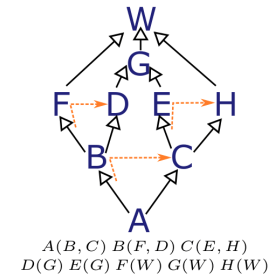
$$L[A] = ABCDEFG$$

✓ Refine graph with conflict edge & rerun RPRDFS!



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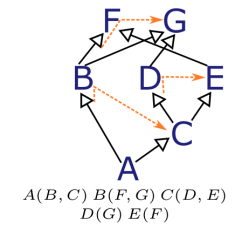
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### Refined RPRDFS

⚠ *Monotonicity* is not guaranteed!

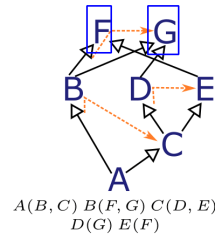
### Extension Principle: Monotonicity

If  $C_1 \rightarrow C_2$  in  $C$ 's linearization, then  $C_1 \rightarrow C_2$  for every linearization of  $C$ 's children.



```

L[G] G
L[F] F
L[E] E · F
L[D] D · G
L[B] B · F · G
L[C] C · D · G · E · F
L[A] △ fail  
    
```



C3 detects and reports a violation of *monotonicity* with the addition of A(B,C) to the class set.  
 C3 linearization [1]: is used in *Python 3*, *Perl 6*, and *Solidity*

**Linearization**

- No switch/duplexer code necessary
- No explicit naming of qualifiers
- Unique super reference
- Reduces number of multi-dispatching conflicts

**Qualification**

- More flexible, fine-grained
- Linearization choices may be awkward or unexpected

**Languages with automatic linearization exist**

- *CLOS* Common Lisp Object System
- *Solidity*, *Python 3* and *Perl 6* with C3
- Prerequisite for → Mixins