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Lecture 05: Linking

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- ▶ Basics: Luca Cardelli. Program Fragments, Linking, and Modularization. In: Principles of Programming Languages POPL1997. S.266-277. ACM Press, 1997.

Goal of Cardelli's Work

- ▶ Problem: in some languages it is not possible to type check and compile a component separate from its use
- ▶ Examples: C++ Templates, Ada, Modula-3, Eiffel
- ▶ Goal:
 - ▶ Collect all requirements that enable type checking and compilation separate from usage
 - ▶ Interfaces are known
- ▶ Approach: compact model that only focuses on the problem

Scenario

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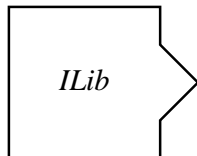
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- ▶ Additional complexity: The programmers can only communicate through code and interfaces ...



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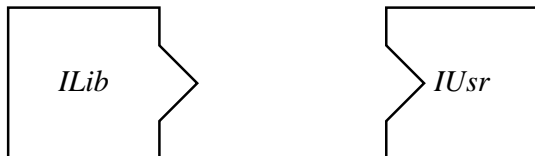
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- ▶ Some languages do not distinguish interface and implementation
- ▶ “Small” and untyped languages do not support interfaces.
- ▶ Some language features require a whole program analysis (multimethods, overloading)

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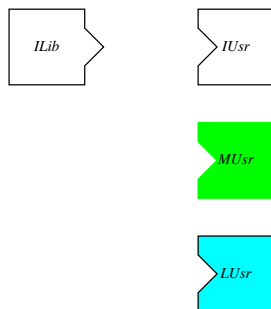
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- ▶ I_{Lib} can define types that are used in the program
- ▶ Some languages do not allow such uses in interfaces

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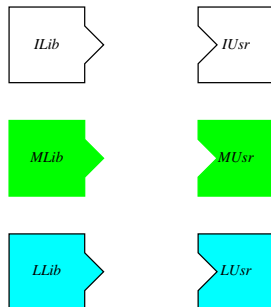
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Problems

- ▶ In some languages: Compilation of M_{Usr} without implementation of I_{Usr} is not possible
- ▶ Instantiation of generic modules can show errors in I_{Lib}
- ▶ Code of superclasses has to be checked another time.
- ▶ M_{Usr} may depend on the concrete implementation of I_{Lib}
- ▶ The information is not sufficient to create to linkable binary.

Day 4: Compiling the Library Module

- ▶ Creation of M_{Lib} , compatible to I_{Lib}
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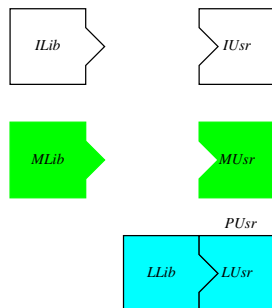
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Problems

- ▶ Generic modules cannot be compiled without the client

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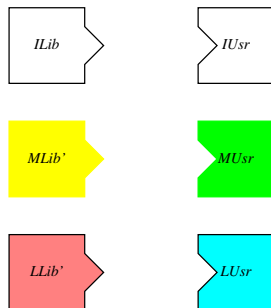
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Problems

- ▶ It may happen in some languages (Eiffel), that M_{Lib} is suitable for I_{Lib} , M_{Usr} is suitable for I_{Usr} and I_{Usr} is suitable for I_{Lib} , but P_{Usr} contains run-time errors.
- ▶ Some system perform their consistency checks while linking, because the error may happen in doing so.
- ▶ The function of the linked program should conform to the program that is the result of compiling the textual concatenation of all source code files.

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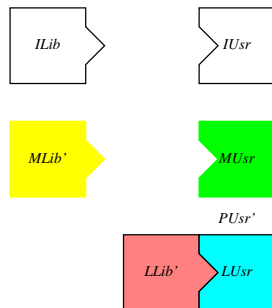
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Problems

- ▶ Changes in superclasses may cause recompilation of the program, even if no interfaces changed
- ▶ If the libraries in the repository depend on each other, the user may obtain inconsistent libraries.

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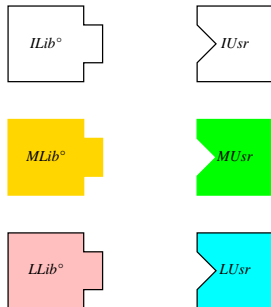
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Problems

- ▶ Is the result the same as if we recompile M_{Usr} ?
- ▶ In early Java versions, this was not the case.

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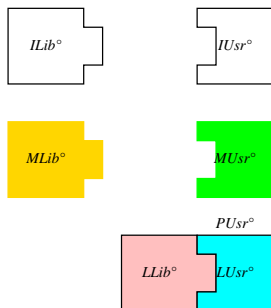
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Problems

- ▶ If dependencies are not tracked correctly, L_{Usr} and L_{Lib}° or L_{Usr}° and L'_{Lib} may be linked together. This may yield an erroneous program.

Simple Linking

Program Fragments

- ▶ A *program fragment* is a program phrase (e.g. an expression) *with free variables*.
- ▶ *Separate compilation* means:
 - ▶ each program fragment can be type checked separately
 - ▶ code generation for each program fragment can done separately
- ▶ (for simplicity we ignore code generation)
- ▶ We need enough information in form of a type assumption A about absent program fragments
- ▶ A type judgment $A \vdash e : t$ yields the type of a program fragment e .

Programs

- ▶ An *complete program* is a program fragment without free variables.
- ▶ Program fragments can be linked together. The result can be a program fragment (with free variables).
- ▶ A *library* is a result of an incomplete linking.

A Configuration Language

- ▶ Input of the link process
 - ▶ Set of program fragments
 - ▶ rules to combine fragments
- ▶ cf. project files, Makefiles, etc.
- ▶ A *Linkset*

$$A_0 \mid x_1 \approx A_1 \vdash \mathcal{I}_1, \dots, x_n \approx A_n \vdash \mathcal{I}_n$$

consists of

- ▶ a type assumption A_0 , the *external interface* (empty for a complete program)
- ▶ judgments $A_i \vdash \mathcal{I}_i$, labeled with variable x_i , so that $A_0, A_i \vdash \mathcal{I}_i$ holds
- ▶ It's allowed to use the variables x_i in the other judgments.

Examples of Linksets

- ▶ A complete program

$$\emptyset \mid \textit{main} \approx \emptyset \vdash 3 + 1 : \textit{int}$$

- ▶ *main* is closed (it contains no variables)
- ⇒ No linking needed

Examples for Linksets/2

- ▶ Two fragments

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- ▶ Goal: Linking using substitution

$$\begin{aligned} \emptyset \mid y \approx \emptyset \vdash 17 : \text{int} \\ \text{main} \approx \emptyset \vdash (y + 4)[17/y] : \text{int} \end{aligned}$$

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- ▶ recursive dependencies/modules in realistic languages (Java) possible

Linking Lemma

If $A_1, x : t, A_3 \vdash \mathcal{I}$
and $A_1, A_2 \vdash e : t$
and $\text{dom}(x : t, A_3) \cap \text{dom}(A_2) = \emptyset$
then $A_1, A_2, A_3 \vdash \mathcal{I}[e/x]$.

Properties of Linksets

Access to Parts

For the structure

$$L \equiv A_0 \mid (x_i \approx A_i \vdash e_i : t_i)^{1 \leq i \leq n}$$

we define

$imp(L) =$	$dom(A_0)$	imported names
$exp(L) =$	$\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$	exported names
$names(L) =$	$imp(L) \cup exp(L)$	all names
$imports(L) =$	A_0	import environment
$exports(L) =$	$x_1 : t_1, \dots, x_n : t_n$	export environment

Well Formed Linksets

Names are used consistently

A structure

$$L \equiv A_0 \mid (x_i \approx A_i \vdash e_i : t_i)^{1 \leq i \leq n}$$

is a linkset, $linkset(L)$, if

- ▶ $imports(L)$ and $exports(L)$ defines each variable only once
- ▶ for all i holds : A_0, A_i defines each variable only once and $dom(A_i) \subseteq exp(L)$
(a definition exists for each type assumption)
- ▶ $imp(L) \cap exp(L) = \emptyset$

Examples : Well Formed Linksets

Not well formed

$$\emptyset \mid \begin{array}{l} (x \approx \emptyset \vdash 5 : \text{int}) \\ (x \approx \emptyset \vdash 9 : \text{int}) \end{array}$$

$$y : \text{bool} \mid \begin{array}{l} (x_1 \approx y : \text{bool} \vdash y : \text{bool}) \\ (y \approx x_1 : \text{bool} \vdash !x_1 : \text{bool}) \end{array}$$

Well formed

$$z : \text{int} \mid \begin{array}{l} (x_1 \approx x_2 : \text{int} \vdash z + x_2 : \text{int}) \\ (x_2 \approx \emptyset \vdash z + z : \text{int}) \end{array}$$

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is a *intramodular consistent Linkset*, *intra-checked*(L), if

- ▶ *linkset*(L)
- ▶ for all i holds: $A_0, A_i \vdash e_i : t_i$ holds

Means, that each definition passes her type check

Example: Intramodular consistent Linksets

Not intramodular consistent

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Intermodular consistent Linksets

A structure

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is a *intermodular consistent Linkset*, *inter-checked*(L), if

- ▶ *intra-checked*(L)
- ▶ for all $1 \leq j, k \leq n$: if $x_j : t \in A_k$, then $t = t_j$ holds

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Merging of Linksets

Preparation

$$A_0 \mid (x_i \approx A_i \vdash e_i : t_i)^{1 \leq i \leq n}$$

- ▶ The environment A_0 describes the absence definitions.
- ▶ Goal: a *full joined Linkset*, where A_0 and all type assumptions are empty
- ▶ We provide absence definitions by *merging linksets*
- ▶ auxiliary definitions
 - ▶ $A \setminus X$ removes from a type assumption A the binding for all variables from X
 - ▶ In $A \mid X$ only bindings for variables in X remains from A
 - ▶ compatible type assumptions: $A_1 \div A_2$, if for all $x \in \text{dom}(A_1) \cap \text{dom}(A_2)$ hold $A_1(x) = A_2(x)$.
 - ▶ Merging of two type assumptions: $A_1 + A_2 = A_1, (A_2 \setminus \text{dom}(A_1))$

Merging of two Linksets

Given two linksets

$$L \equiv A_0 \mid (x_i \approx A_i \vdash \mathcal{I}_i)^{1 \leq i \leq n}$$

$$L' \equiv A'_0 \mid (x'_i \approx A'_i \vdash \mathcal{I}'_i)^{1 \leq i \leq n'}$$

with $\text{linkset}(L)$, $\text{linkset}(L')$, $\text{exp}(L) \cap \text{exp}(L') = \emptyset$. Then their *merging* $L + L'$ is defined by

$$(A_0 \setminus \text{exp}(L')) + (A'_0 \setminus \text{exp}(L)) \mid \begin{array}{l} (x_i \approx A_0 \mid \text{exp}(L'), A_i \vdash \mathcal{I}_i)^{1 \leq i \leq n}, \\ (x'_i \approx A'_0 \mid \text{exp}(L), A'_i \vdash \mathcal{I}'_i)^{1 \leq i \leq n'} \end{array}$$

Example: Merging of Linksets

Linkset L_{Lib} (library)

$$\begin{aligned}
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 & (l \approx s : \text{int} \vdash m - s : \text{int}) \\
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Linkset $L_{Usr} + L_{Lib}$

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Properties of Merging Linksets

Definition: Compatibility of Linksets

Two Linksets are compatible, $L \div L'$, if

- ▶ $\text{exp}(L) \cap \text{exp}(L') = \emptyset$ (linkset)

Linkset+Linkset = Linkset

If $\text{linkset}(L)$, $\text{linkset}(L')$ and $L \div L'$, then $\text{linkset}(L + L')$.

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If $inter-checked(L)$, $inter-checked(L')$ und $L \div L'$, then $inter-checked(L + L')$.

Linking

Definition: Linking Step

Given

$$L \equiv A_0 \mid \dots, (x \approx \emptyset \vdash e : t), \dots, (y \approx x : t', A' \vdash \mathcal{I}), \dots$$

then L do one step to L' , $L \rightsquigarrow L'$, with

$$L' \equiv A_0 \mid \dots, (x \approx \emptyset \vdash e : t), \dots, (y \approx A' \vdash \mathcal{I}[e/x]), \dots$$

Example: Linking Step

Before: $L_{Usr} + L_{Lib}$

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Before: $L_{Usr} + L_{Lib}$

$$\begin{aligned} \emptyset \mid & (s \approx \emptyset \vdash 30 : \text{int}) \\ & (l \approx m : \text{int}, s : \text{int} \vdash m - s : \text{int}) \\ & (h \approx m : \text{int}, s : \text{int} \vdash m + s : \text{int}) \\ & (m \approx \emptyset \vdash 42 : \text{int}) \\ & (ok \approx m : \text{int}, l : \text{int}, h : \text{int} \vdash (l < m) \&\& (m < h) : \text{bool}) \end{aligned}$$

Alternative:

$$\begin{aligned} \emptyset \mid & (s \approx \emptyset \vdash 30 : \text{int}) \\ & (l \approx m : \text{int}, s : \text{int} \vdash m - s : \text{int}) \\ & (h \approx s : \text{int} \vdash 42 + s : \text{int}) \\ & (m \approx \emptyset \vdash 42 : \text{int}) \\ & (ok \approx m : \text{int}, l : \text{int}, h : \text{int} \vdash (l < m) \&\& (m < h) : \text{bool}) \end{aligned}$$

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Alternative, substitute s

$$\begin{aligned} \emptyset \mid & (s \approx \emptyset \vdash 30 : \text{int}) \\ & (l \approx m : \text{int} \vdash m - 30 : \text{int}) \\ & (h \approx m : \text{int}, s : \text{int} \vdash m + s : \text{int}) \\ & (m \approx \emptyset \vdash 42 : \text{int}) \\ & (ok \approx m : \text{int}, l : \text{int}, h : \text{int} \vdash (l < m) \&\& (m < h) : \text{bool}) \end{aligned}$$

Properties Preserved by Linking Steps

Linking steps preserve *linkset* property

If $\text{linkset}(L)$ and $L \rightsquigarrow L'$, then $\text{linkset}(L')$.

Linking steps preserve *inter-checked* property

If $\text{inter-checked}(L)$ and $L \rightsquigarrow L'$, then $\text{inter-checked}(L')$.

Comment

$\text{intra-checked}(L)$ is **not** preserved by linking steps.

Link Algorithm

The Linking step relation terminates and yields a unique result.

Every iteration removes one type assumption. Successful termination yields to a *full linked program*.

Example: Linking up to Full Linked Program

$$\begin{aligned}
 \emptyset \mid & (s \approx \emptyset \vdash 30 : \text{int}) \\
 & (l \approx m : \text{int} \vdash m - 30 : \text{int}) \\
 & (h \approx m : \text{int}, s : \text{int} \vdash m + s : \text{int}) \\
 & (m \approx \emptyset \vdash 42 : \text{int}) \\
 & (ok \approx m : \text{int}, l : \text{int}, h : \text{int} \vdash (l < m) \&\& (m < h) : \text{bool})
 \end{aligned}$$

Example: Linking up to Full Linked Program

$$\emptyset \mid (s \approx \emptyset \vdash 30 : \text{int})$$

$$(l \approx m : \text{int} \vdash m - 30 : \text{int})$$

$$(h \approx m : \text{int} \vdash m + 30 : \text{int})$$

$$(m \approx \emptyset \vdash 42 : \text{int})$$

$$(ok \approx m : \text{int}, l : \text{int}, h : \text{int} \vdash (l < m) \&\& (m < h) : \text{bool})$$

Example: Linking up to Full Linked Program

$$\emptyset \mid \begin{array}{l} (s \approx \emptyset \vdash 30 : \text{int}) \\ (l \approx \emptyset \vdash 42 - 30 : \text{int}) \\ (h \approx m : \text{int} \vdash m + 30 : \text{int}) \\ (m \approx \emptyset \vdash 42 : \text{int}) \\ (ok \approx m : \text{int}, l : \text{int}, h : \text{int} \vdash (l < m) \&\& (m < h) : \text{bool}) \end{array}$$

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Example: Linking up to Full Linked Program

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\emptyset \mid & (s \approx \emptyset \vdash 30 : \text{int}) \\
& (l \approx \emptyset \vdash 42 - 30 : \text{int}) \\
& (h \approx \emptyset \vdash 42 + 30 : \text{int}) \\
& (m \approx \emptyset \vdash 42 : \text{int}) \\
& (ok \approx l : \text{int}, h : \text{int} \vdash (l < 42) \&\& (42 < h) : \text{bool})
\end{aligned}$$

Example: Linking up to Full Linked Program

$$\begin{aligned}
\emptyset \mid & (s \approx \emptyset \vdash 30 : \text{int}) \\
& (l \approx \emptyset \vdash 42 - 30 : \text{int}) \\
& (h \approx \emptyset \vdash 42 + 30 : \text{int}) \\
& (m \approx \emptyset \vdash 42 : \text{int}) \\
& (ok \approx h : \text{int} \vdash ((42 - 30) < 42) \&\& (42 < h) : \text{bool})
\end{aligned}$$

Example: Linking up to Full Linked Program

$$\begin{aligned} \emptyset \mid & (s \approx \emptyset \vdash 30 : \text{int}) \\ & (l \approx \emptyset \vdash 42 - 30 : \text{int}) \\ & (h \approx \emptyset \vdash 42 + 30 : \text{int}) \\ & (m \approx \emptyset \vdash 42 : \text{int}) \\ & (ok \approx \emptyset \vdash ((42 - 30) < 42) \&\& (42 < (42 + 30)) : \text{bool}) \end{aligned}$$

No further step possible!

Easy Modules

Notation for Easy Modules

```
module M1 {  
  import {}           // import list  
  export { x: int }  // export list  
  
  x: int = 3;        // definitions  
}
```

```
module M2 {  
  import { x: int }  
  export { y: int, z: boolean }  
  
  y: int = 42 - x;  
  z: boolean = y < 0;  
}
```

Signatures and Bindings

Type Checking for Modules

Signatures S (typed export lists)

$$\text{SIG-EMPTY} \frac{}{A \vdash \emptyset} \qquad \text{SIG-X} \frac{A, x : t \vdash S}{A \vdash x : t, S}$$

Bindings d (modules)

$$\text{BIND-EMPTY} \frac{}{A \vdash \emptyset \therefore \emptyset} \qquad \text{BIND-X} \frac{A, x : t \vdash d \therefore S \quad A \vdash e : t}{A \vdash (x : t = e, d) \therefore (x : t, S)}$$

Example: Two Modules

▶ module M1

$$\begin{aligned} \emptyset &\vdash (x : \text{int} = 3) \\ &\therefore (x : \text{int}) \end{aligned}$$

▶ module M2

$$\begin{aligned} x : \text{int} &\vdash (y : \text{int} = 42 - x, z : \text{bool} = y < 0) \\ &\therefore (y : \text{int}, z : \text{bool}) \end{aligned}$$

Compiling a Binding Judgment from a Linkset

$|A \vdash d \therefore S|$ is the compilation of a valid judgment from one linkset.

Examples:

- ▶ module M1 is a linkset

$$\begin{aligned} &|\emptyset \vdash (x : \text{int} = 3) \therefore (x : \text{int})| \\ &= \\ &\emptyset \mid (x \approx \emptyset \vdash 3 : \text{int}) \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ module M2 is a linkset

$$\begin{aligned} &|x : \text{int} \vdash (y : \text{int} = 42 - x, z : \text{bool} = y < 0) \therefore (y : \text{int}, z : \text{bool})| \\ &= \\ &x : \text{int} \mid (y \approx \emptyset \vdash 42 - x : \text{int})(z \approx y : \text{int} \vdash y < 0 : \text{bool}) \end{aligned}$$

Properties of Compilation

Given $|A \vdash d \therefore S|$, a compilation of a valid judgment to a linkset.

Separate Compilation:

If $A \vdash d \therefore S$, then $inter-checked(|A \vdash d \therefore S|)$ holds.

Separate Compilation and Merging:

If $A \vdash d \therefore S$, $A' \vdash d' \therefore S'$ and $(A \vdash S) \div (A' \vdash S')$, then $inter-checked(|A \vdash d \therefore S| + |A' \vdash d' \therefore S'|)$.

Assertions about Separate Compilation

Conventions

For a module $M = A \vdash d \text{ : } S$, a linkset L and a linkset $|M|$ resulting from compilation of M , it holds:

- ▶ $valid(M)$: M is derivable, type checking of module M is successful
- ▶ $M \div M'$: module M and M' are type compatible
- ▶ $link(L) = L'$, if $L \rightsquigarrow^* L'$ and $L' \not\rightsquigarrow$

Statements about Separate Compilation

$$\text{COMP} \frac{\text{valid}(M)}{\text{inter-checked}(M)}$$

$$\text{COMP-COMP} \frac{\text{valid}(M) \quad \text{valid}(M') \quad M \div M'}{|M| \div |M'|}$$

$$\text{LINK} \frac{\text{inter-checked}(L) \quad \text{link}(L) = L'}{\text{inter-checked}(L')}$$

$$\text{LINK-COMP} \frac{\text{inter-checked}(L) \quad \text{inter-checked}(L') \quad L \div L' \quad \text{link}(L) = L''}{L'' \div L'}$$

$$\text{MERGE} \frac{\text{inter-checked}(L) \quad \text{inter-checked}(L') \quad L \div L'}{\text{inter-checked}(L + L')}$$

Summary

- ▶ Linking formalized with substitution
- ▶ Under certain assumptions about modules and signatures the compiler can ensure that the linking does not fail, if each module is checked against the signatures of the imported modules.
- ▶ Recompilation is not necessary
- ▶ Order of linking steps and merging irrelevant
- ▶ \exists further work extending these ideas (e.g., for Java)