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Automated Smalltalk to Java Migration Solution



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Program

- 1. Why Migrate ?
- 2. Differences between Java & Smalltalk
- 3. DirectJava : a 4-Step Translation Process
- 4. Code Translation Examples
- 5. Case Study

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Who is Object'ive ?

- Founded in January 1999, staff of 12, 1 M€ turnover.
- Main technical skills : Java, Smalltalk, customised solutions.
- Areas of expertise : Migration, B2B & B2C Solutions, Mobility, eLearning
- References: mostly large corporates e.g.,
 - CCR: Caisse Centrale de Réassurance (largest re-insurer in France)
 - EDF: Electricité De France: largest eletricity utility company in France, 4- million customers in 24 countries
 - Veolia Water: largest water supply company in the world, 13 b€ turnover





Factors Driving Migration

SMALLTALK

- Vendor support services (Fear Uncertainty Doubt)
- Standardization decisions
- Expert Staffing Shortages
- Run-Time / Maintenance Expenses

JAVA

- Vendor Independent
- Vibrant Developers' Community, available software components
- Connectivity, Web-enablement, Mobility
- Distributed applications
- Fast development time
- Cost

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Migration Components

- A Migration Project includes several parts such as:
 - Framework Migration
 - Views Migration
 - Functionality Migration
 - Other parts (Communication protocols, security, ...etc)
- Focus today: functionality migration & automation of language translation.
- Architecture and design issues :we will concentrate on these when translation choices, and the use of DirectJava has an impact on them.

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The Cost of Re-Development



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A (non exhaustive) List of Problems

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dic
dic := Dictionary new.
dic at: #key1 put: #val1.
dic at: #key2 put: #val2.
dic at: #key3 put: #val3.
dic keysAndValuesDo: [:k :v]
    | st |
    st := k printString , v printString
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callToDefaultSelfReturnType
     var
      var := self testBlock.
      Transcript cr; show:
                    'var class = ' ,
                    var class printString,
                    ' even if testBlock does not return
anything'
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^self class foo1

Class1 subclass: #Class2 Class2>>#fooInst2

```
^self fooInst1
```

Class2 class>>#foo1

^ \foo2'

What about

Class2 new fooInst1 returns `foo2' in Smalltalk

new Class2().fooInst1(); returns "foo1"
in Java ?

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Java does not support become: No package name concept in Smalltalk No overloading in Smalltalk

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Automated Smalltalk Code Analysis

- Code volume analysis
- Class methods and instances methods with similar signatures.
- Quality Analysis
 - -Classes, Methods, Unlisted Variables
 - -Messages sent but not implemented
 - -Certain kinds of multityped Methods (return boolean and non boolean)
 - -Use of Methods without returns (SMT) but as if it was returning self by developpers (;yourself missing) etc...
 - -Variables read before written, written but never read
 - -Checking of temporary variables defined outside a block but affecting this particular block...
- Detection of class instances' variables.
- Detection of specific indices issues
- Duplicated code in subclasses

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Types Detection



- 1. Recording and launching applications scenarios
- 2. Automatic type inference
- 3. Manual allocation of types

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Types Detection



1. Recording and launching applications scenarios

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At the end of this analysis, following types will have been identified :

- Instance variables
- Class variables
- Temporary variables
- •Methods' arguments
- Methods' return types
- •Statements types
- •Reporting on unknown or multi-valued types.
- •Methods with source code not fully verified

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Before Scenario Launch

Stypes browser		
Methods' selections		
Classes	Classes	Methods
OVETestClass	OVETestClass	▼ multiTypeSample
Application or SubApplications	Class methods	Unresolved Types
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Variables		
Variables	☐ Statements	multiTypeSample
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oc		li oc bool anUnknownTypedObject
anUnknownTypedObject		ite (kelle)
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Sen		oc := OrderedCollection new.
		oc add: true.
		oc add: 3. oc add: 'world'.
		true
		" Method which returns a String "
		'self getSampleStringReturnType: 'hello'
		j ifFalse: [
		bool := self booleanSample
		anUnknownTypedObject := self anUnexistingMethod.
	Save	
-	Juve	
	Translate and send to IDE	
-	Guess types	
		Known types (GREEN)

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After Scenario Launch



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- DirectJava inference engine is based on several principles such as:
 - •The constructors concept.
 - •Knowledge of methods return types called
 - •The concept of « SMALLEST COMMON ROOT EXCEPT OBJECT» for a group of methods called for the same receiver.

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Before Types Inference

Types browser			
Methods' selections			
Classes	Classes	Methods	
OVETestClass	OVETestClass	▼ multiTypeSample	
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Variables	☐ Statements	multiTypeSample	
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oc bool		i oc bool anUnknownTypedObject	
anUnknownTypedObject		i := 'hello'.	
self		i == 1.	
		oc add: i.	
		oc add: true.	
	Unknown typ	oc add: 'world'.	
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-	Save		
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	Guess types		>

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After Types Inference

Types browser			
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VETestClass	OVETestClass	▼ multiTypeSample	
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Return type assignment Variables	☐ Variable or Stateme	ent type assignment	
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Types Detection



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(Saved in Knowledge Base for use in Translation Engine)

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After Manual Variable Allocation

anUnknownTypedObject



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ST to Java Correspondance Knowledge Base



- Correspondance of Packages, Classes.
- Correspondance of Methods.
- Classes used for delegation (because of insufficient class libraries in Java, or impossibility of subclassing final classes).
- Variables prefixes.
- Pool Dictionaries.

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- Specific packages names are defined either by:
 - explicit names
 - specific patterns

(for instance, the **OVETestApp** can correspond the the explicit package **com.ove.examples** or by specific pattern to **ove.test.app**)

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Correspondance of classes Interface

🞯 Smalltalk Java Map	oping Classes		. 🗆 🔀
Classes matching :			
OrderedCollection	_		
Smalltalk Classes :			
OrderedCollection		-	
Java Class Mapping :			
ArrayList			
	Save		

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ISSUES :

- •No correspondance of methods names
- •Smalltalk method ⇔ successive calls of several Java methods
- •Delegation concept ⇔ Services inexistant in Java
- •Smalltalk Class method⇔Java Instance method
- •Number of method's argument can vary
- •The order of similar method's argument can vary

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Default Correspondance of methods



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Methods Correspondance Customisation



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DirectJava Classes Library

- Overview Package Class Tree Deprecated Index Help PREV NEXTFRAMES NO FRAMESHierarchy For All Packages
- Package Hierarchies:
 - ove.components.base.collection, ove.components.base.date, ove.components.base.lang, ove.components.base.number, ove.tool
- Class Hierarchy
- class java.lang.Object
 - class ove.components.base.lang.OVEBasicStringUtil
 - class ove.components.base.lang.OVEStringUtil
 - class ove.components.base.lang.<u>OVEBeanPropertiesUtility</u>
 - class ove.components.base.lang.OVEClassUtil
 - class ove.components.base.lang.OVECIoneUtil
 - class ove.components.base.collection.OVECollectionUtil
 - class ove.tool.OVEComparatorUtil
 - class ove.tool.<u>OVEComparatorUtilities</u>
 - class ove.components.base.date.OVEDateUtil
 - class ove.components.base.lang.OVEFilterName (implements java.io.FilenameFilter, java.io.Serializable)
 - class ove.components.base.lang.OVEInstanceUtil
 - class ove.components.base.number.<u>OVEInterval</u> (implements java.util.Iterator)
 - class ove.components.base.number.OVEMathUtil
 - class ove.components.base.lang.OVEMessage
 - class ove.components.base.lang.OVESerializationUtility
 - class ove.components.base.collection.OVESortedList (implements java.util.List)
 - class ove.components.base.date.OVETimeUtil
 - class java.lang.Throwable (implements java.io.Serializable)
 - class java.lang.Exception
 - class java.lang.RuntimeException
 - » class ove.components.base.collection.OVEBlockReturnException
- Interface Hierarchy
- interface ove.components.base.collection.<u>OVEClosure</u>
- interface ove.components.base.collection.OVEOneArgClosure
- interface ove.components.base.collection.OVEOneArgPredicate
- interface ove.components.base.collection.OVEPredicate
- interface ove.components.base.collection.<u>OVETransformer</u>
- interface ove.components.base.collection.<u>OVETwoArgsClosure</u>
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Translation Engine



- Translation by Batches, Classes, Methods
- Direct integration in target environment (VA for Java)
- Translation by Deltas (translating only differences between 2 versions of sub-application, of class, etc...)
- GUI
- Java Overriding

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Technical issues

- Static Methods (Java) vs Class Methods (ST)
- Most common cases







Static Methods (Java) vs Class Methods (ST)

```
Smalltalk
•
      Object subclass: #Class1
         Class1 class>>#foo1
            ^ \foo1'
         Class1>>#fooInst1
            ^self class foo1
      Class1 subclass: #Class2
         Class2>>#fooInst2
            ^self fooInst1
         Class2 class>>#foo1
            ^ \foo2'
    Java
•
    Class1
    public static String fool(Class aClass) {
            return (String)new OVEMessage().perform(aClass, "foo1", new Object[]{});
    public String fooInst1(){
         return fool(getClass());
    Class2
    public String fooInst2() {
         return fooInst1();
    }
    public static String fool() {
         return "foo2";
    }
```

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simple String Sample Simple Samples (1)

Methods' Translation			
Methods' selections Classes OVETestClass Class Methods	Classes selection OVETestClass	Methods Taux	_
<pre>getSampleStringReturnType: anInpu</pre>	utString orld")	<pre>public String getSampleStringReturnType(String anInputString){ String oveTemp2 = null; if(anInputString.equals("world")){ oveTemp2 = "world".toUpperCase(); } else{ oveTemp2 = "hello"; } String result = oveTemp2; if(OVEComparatorUtil.corEquals(result.toLowerCase(), "world") return "Good"; } else(return "poor"; } } Translate</pre>	X

Simple boolean sample

ethods' selections —		
lasses	Classes selection	Methods
VETestClass	OVETestClass	▼ booleanSimpleSample ▼
Class Methods		
5malltalk		Java
poleanSimpleSample		public boolean booleanSimpleSample(){
^(self getSampleString	;ReturnType: 'hello') = 'world'	return OVEComparatorUtil.ccrEquals((getSampleStringReturnType("hello")), "world");

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Simple Samples (2)

Indice sample

Methods' Translation			
Methods' selections			
Classes	Classes selection	Methods	
OVETestClass	OVETestClass	▼ indicesSamples:	•
Class Methods			
Smalltalk		Java	
indicesSamples: aString oc anIndice obj	×	public String indicesSamples(String aString)(^
" Sample which shows the indices i oc := self sampleReturnCollectionA ((aString size > 10) and: [aString s ifFalse: [nanaging (starting at 0 in Java and 1 in Smalltalk " NethodWithYourself. ize < 20])	<pre>/* Sample which shows the indices managing (starting at (List oc = (List)sampleReturnCollectionMethodWithYoursel if(((OVEComparatorUtil.superieur(aString.length(), 10))& (aString.length() < 20))){ OVEStringUtil.copyFromTo(aString, 9/* constant indice coming from Smalltalk */ 19/* constant indice coming from Smalltalk * else{ return "Error"; }</pre>	D in Java and 1 in Smalltalk If (): A /, /): */): =
obj := oc at: 4. ^oc at: anIndice	<u>×</u>	<pre>int anIndice = getIndice(): Object obj = oc.get(3/* constant indice coming from Sma return (String)oc.get(anIndice): } </pre>	litalk */);
	Tr	anslate	

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Cascading messages with yourself

🛯 Methods' Transla	tion			
Methods' selections				
Classes	Classes selection		Methods	75
OVETestClass	OVETestClass		sampleReturnCollectionMethodWithYourself	•
Class Methods				
Smalltalk			Java	
sampleReturnCollectionMeth	odWithYourself	~	public List sampleReturnCollectionMethodWithYourself(){	^
^OrderedCollection ne	w add: 'a'; add: 'b'; add: 'c'; add: 'd'; yourself		List oveCasc1 = new ArrayList(); oveCasc1.add("a");	
			oveCasc1.add("b"); oveCasc1.add("c");	
			oveCasc1.add("c");	
			}	
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		Tn	nnslate	

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Block without inner class (special patterns)

Methods' selections			
Classes	Classes selection	Methods	
OVETestClass	OVETestClass	▼ testKeysAndValues	
Class Methods			
Smalltalk		Java	
testKeysAndValues		public void testKeysAndValues(){	
<pre>(dic dic := Dictionary new. dic at: #key1 put: #val1. dic at: #key2 put: #val2. dic at: #key3 put: #val3. dic keysAndValuesDo: [:k: [st] self halt. st := k printString . 1 to: 5 do: [:obj] [i st] self halt. i := 5. st := 'aValue','anoth]. </pre>	:v] v printString]. verValue", obj printString.	Map dic = new HashMap(); dic.put("key1", "val1"); dic.put("key2", "val2"); dic.put("key3", "val3"); Iterator dicIter = dic.entrySet().iterator(); while (dicIter.hasNext()){ Map.Entry oveTemp1 = (Map.Entry)dicIter.next(); String k = oveTemp1.getKey(); String v = oveTemp1.getValue(); String st = OVEStringUtil.printString(k) + OVEStringUtil.printStrin } for (int obj = 1 -1 /* indice coming from Smalltalk */ ; obj < 5 ; obj += 1){ int i = 5; st = "aValue" + "anotherValue" + String.valueOf(obj); } } Translate	g(v):

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Blocks with inner classes

Methods' Translat	tion	
Methods' selections		
Classes	Classes selection	Methods
OVETestClass	OVETestClass	▼ testSelectCollect ▼
Class Methods		
Smalltalk		Java
test5electCollect		public List testSelectCollect(){
oc aString oc := self sampleReturnd aString := 'sampleString '(oc select: [:each] each class = aStr]) collect: [:each1] each1 printString] fferents inner cla	CollectionMethodWithYourself. 1g': ing class 9 asses depending on block ret	List oc = (List)sampleReturnCollectionMethodWithYourself(); String aString = "sampleString"; class OVEOneArgPredicateWithVariables1 implements OVEOneArgPredicate{ String aString; public boolean evaluate (Object each){ return OVEComparatorUtil.oveEquals(each.getClass(), aString.getClass()); } OVEOneArgPredicateWithVariables1 ccrBloc1 = new OVEOneArgPredicateWithVariables1(); ccrBloc1.aString=aString; class OVEOneArgClosureWithVariables2 implements OVEOneArgClosure{ public Object execute (Object each1){ return OVEStringUtil.printString(each1); }
uments number		} OVEOneAraClosureWithVariables2 ccrBloc2 = new OVEOneAraClosureWithVariables2();
<		List oveTemp1 = OVECollectionUtil.select(oc, ccrBloc1); return OVECollectionUtil.collect(oveTemp1, ccrBloc2); }
		Translate

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Use of d and arg

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SortedCollection with a sort block

Classes	Classes selection	Methods	
OVETestClass	OVETestClass	▼ testSortBlock	•
Smalltalk		Java	
testSortBlock coll self halt. coll = SortedCollection sortBl coll add: 4. coll add: 5. coll add: 7. Primitive type	Use of Comparator interface	<pre>public void testSortBlock(){ Comparator ccrComparator1 = new Comparator(){ public int compare(Object a, Object b){ return OVEComparatorUtilities.compare (String.valueOf(((Integer)a).intValue())), String.valueOf(((Integer)b).intValue())); } ;</pre>	

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Case Study: CCR (Caisse Centrale de Réassurance)

- Migration of core mission critical applications (over 1 million lines of code, ERP, Sales Management, Portfolio Management) i.e. 4,449 Classes ; 78,624 Methods
- Reasons for Migration: maintaining an team of Smalltalk experts, Connectivity
- DirectJava benefits : originally estimated as a 100 men/year project, migration will turn out to be a 3 men/year project. (now 30 months into it)
- Between 80 and 95% of code has been translated automatically. Automatic translation has also helped testing and architecture choices Example: persistance framework re-organized in order to use EJBs Massive increase in volume of code reviewed helped by automated translation
- Business Benefits: New market developments (esp Online Brokerage) thanks to Java
- Better integration with existing tools in the environment (Domino/Notes, Excell, Word)

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