



G1-GC

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1 GC



# What is the purpose of a GC ?

Automatically free memory while my program is (almost) running

# Garbage collected languages

## Native GC languages

- LISP (1959)
- C#
- GO
- Haskell
- JAVA ...

## Third party implemented GC for

- C (Boehm)
- C++ (Boehm) ...

# C

```
int **matrice;  
matrice = malloc( 3 * sizeof(int*));  
free(matrice);
```

# GC (java)

```
int[][] matrice = new int[3][3];
```

# How to do so ?

- keep track on **variables / objects**
- if is not referenced
- free the memory



# Different algorithms

- Counting references
- Tracing
  - mark and sweep
  - copy collector
- Generational\*

## GC main characteristics

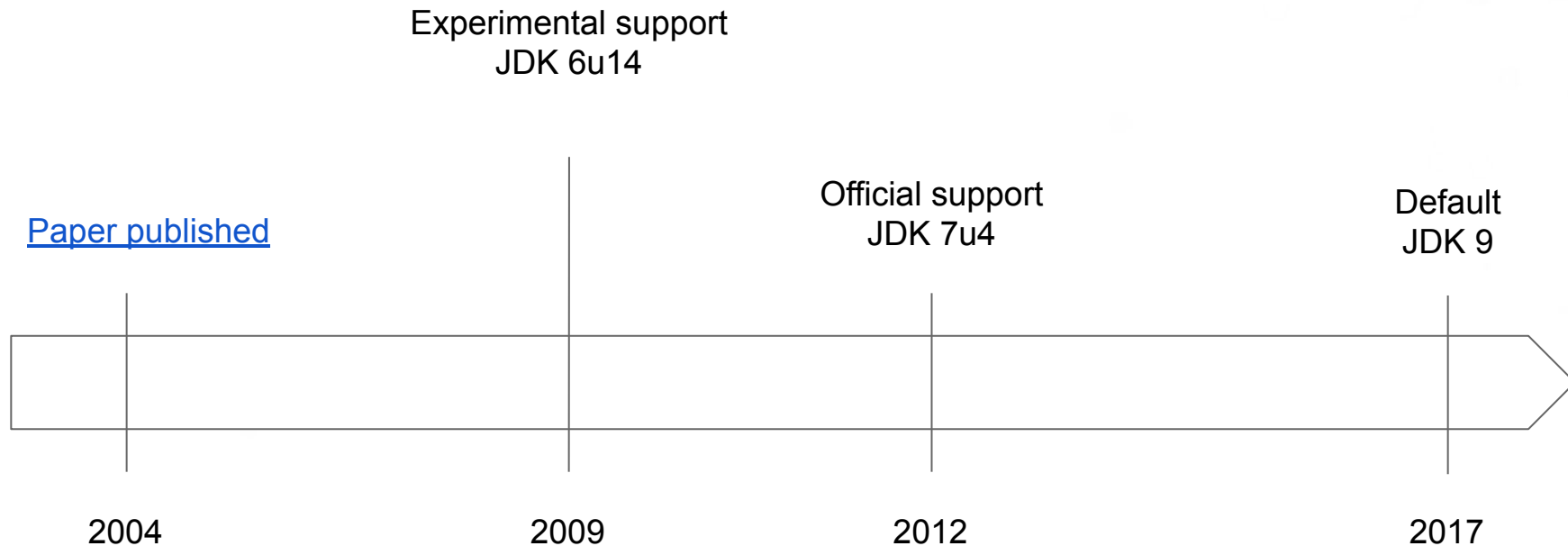
Throughput

Latency

## 2 History of G1



# G1 History



# 3 How does it work (G1) ?

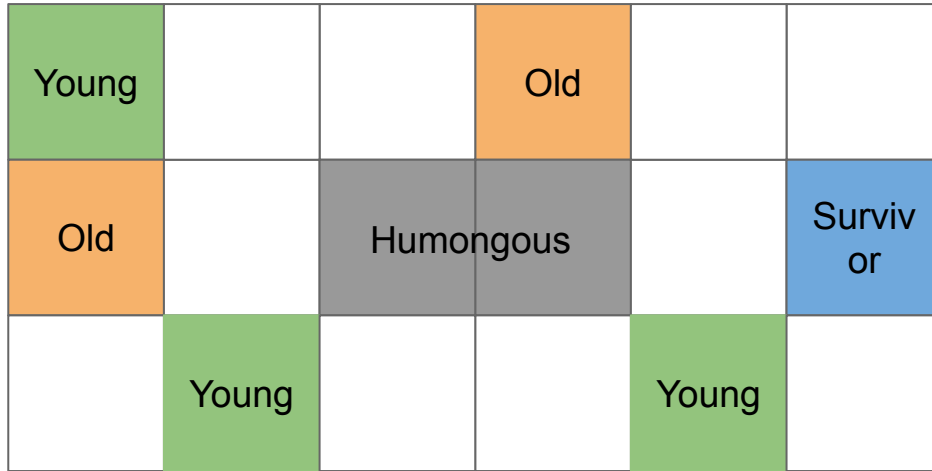


# Big picture

- Generational
- Regionalized
- Most garbage first
- Collection Set
- Remembered Set
- Low pause

# Track (regionalized and generational)

Heap

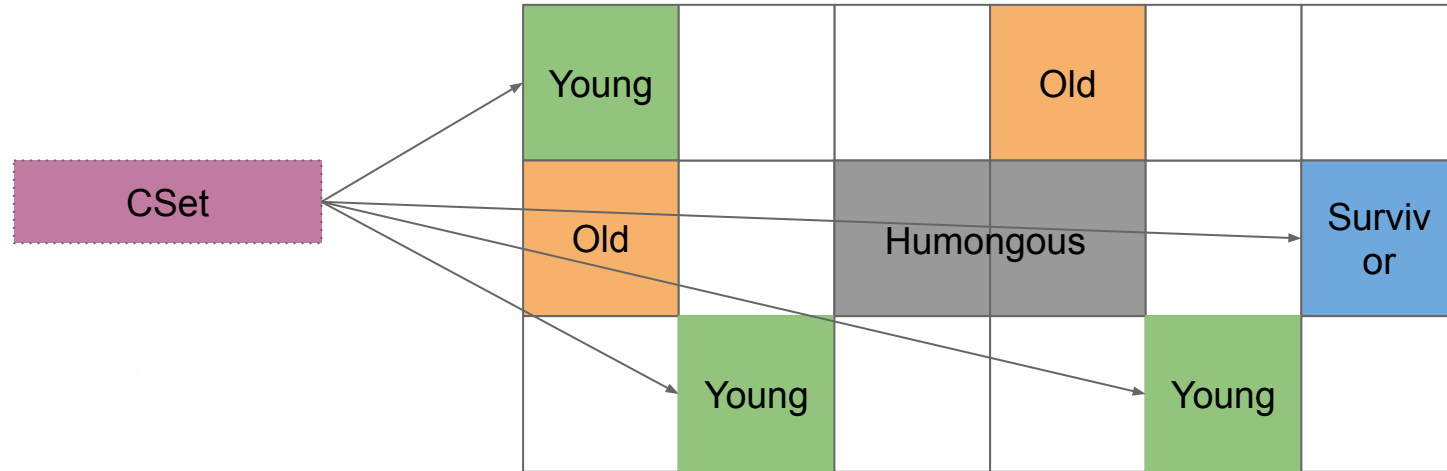


allocated memory



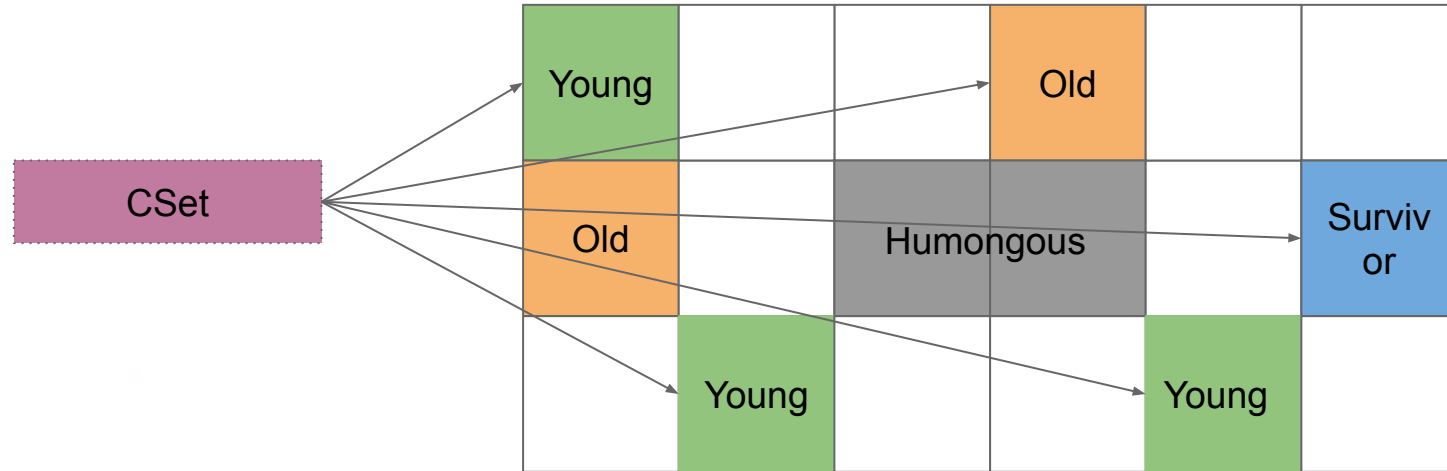
free memory

# Track **young** gen / Collection Set (CSet)



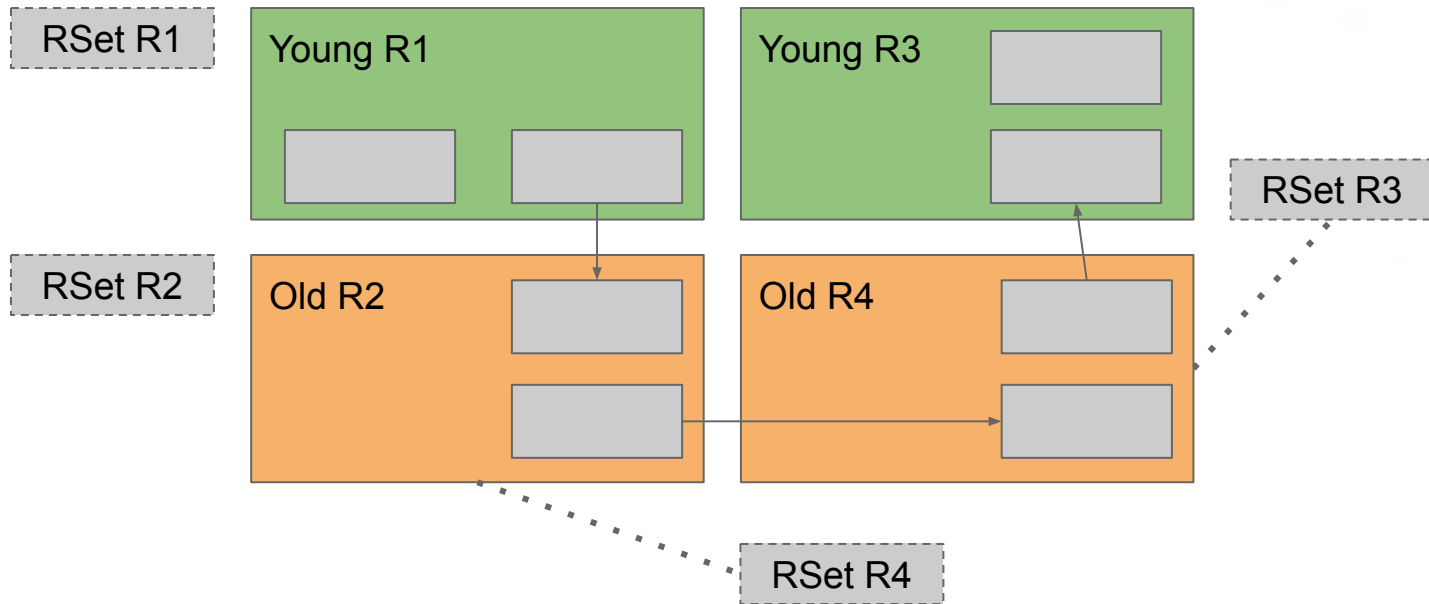


# Track **mixed** gen / Collection Set (CSet)

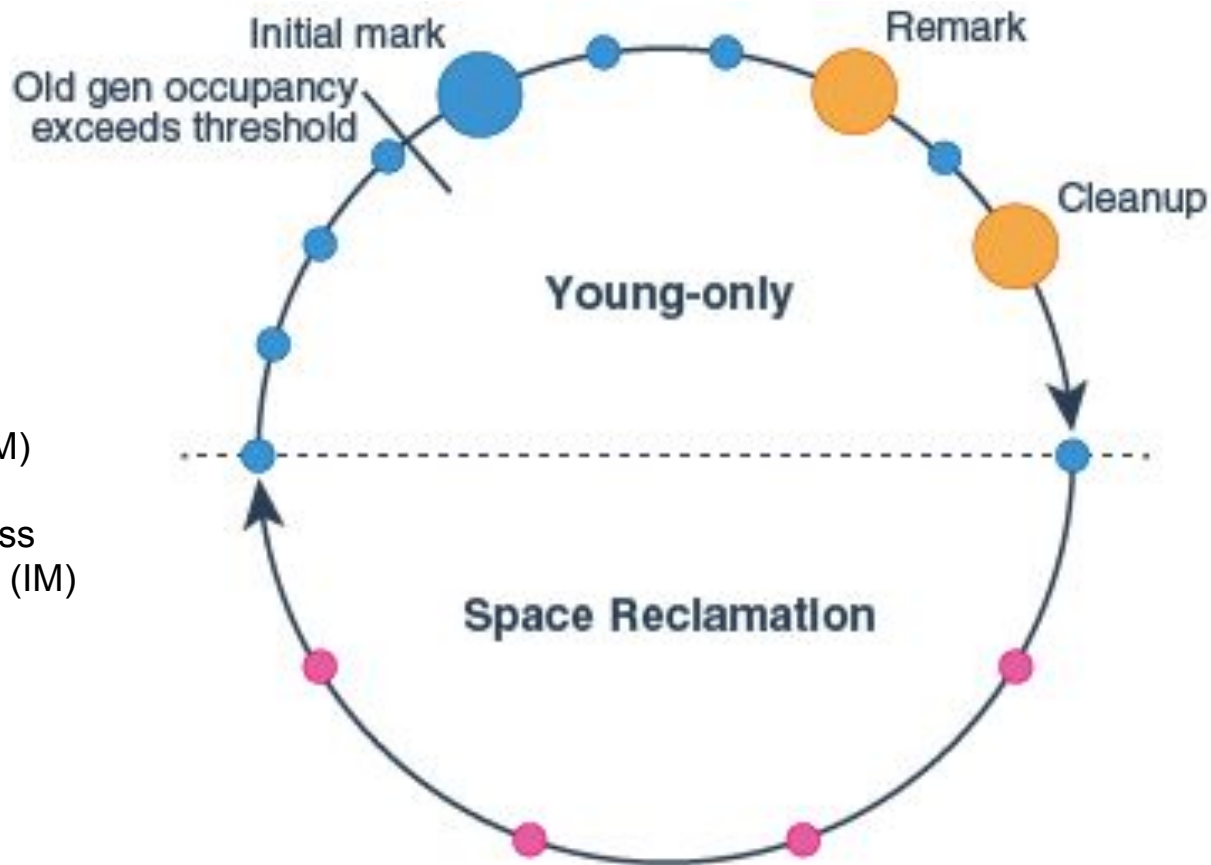


# Tracking Remembered Set (RSet)

- Old -> Young
- Old -> Old



# Free memory phases



In parallel:

- Concurrent Marking (IM)
  - ◆ track refs
  - ◆ pre region liveness
- Root Region Scanning (IM)

# Sum up

- Generational / Regionalized
- Predictible
  - Autodiagnose
  - Hyper customizable
- Compacting GC
- No full GC (almost)

# Kisses and questions

- What about mutability?
- What is the point of implementing a GC with OOP languages?
- What language should I use?

I love you mom & dad.

# Ints

- Check my previous presentation about JVisual VM

- HashMap / HashSet load factor

<https://docs.oracle.com/javase/9/docs/api/java/util/HashMap.html>

# Resources

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- [Simone Bordet](#)
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