

Extending Numba

FOSDEM 2019

Joris Geessels // @jolos

JIT – compiler (LLVM)



```
@numba.jit(nopython=True)
def go_fast(a):
    trace = 0
    for i in range(a.shape[0]):
        trace += numpy.tanh(a[i, i])
    return a + trace
```

```
x = numpy.arange(100).reshape(10, 10)
print(go_fast(x))
```

accelerates Python

numpy support ++

Simulation of a PIC

```
class WaveguideModel(CompactModel):
```

Called by simulator?

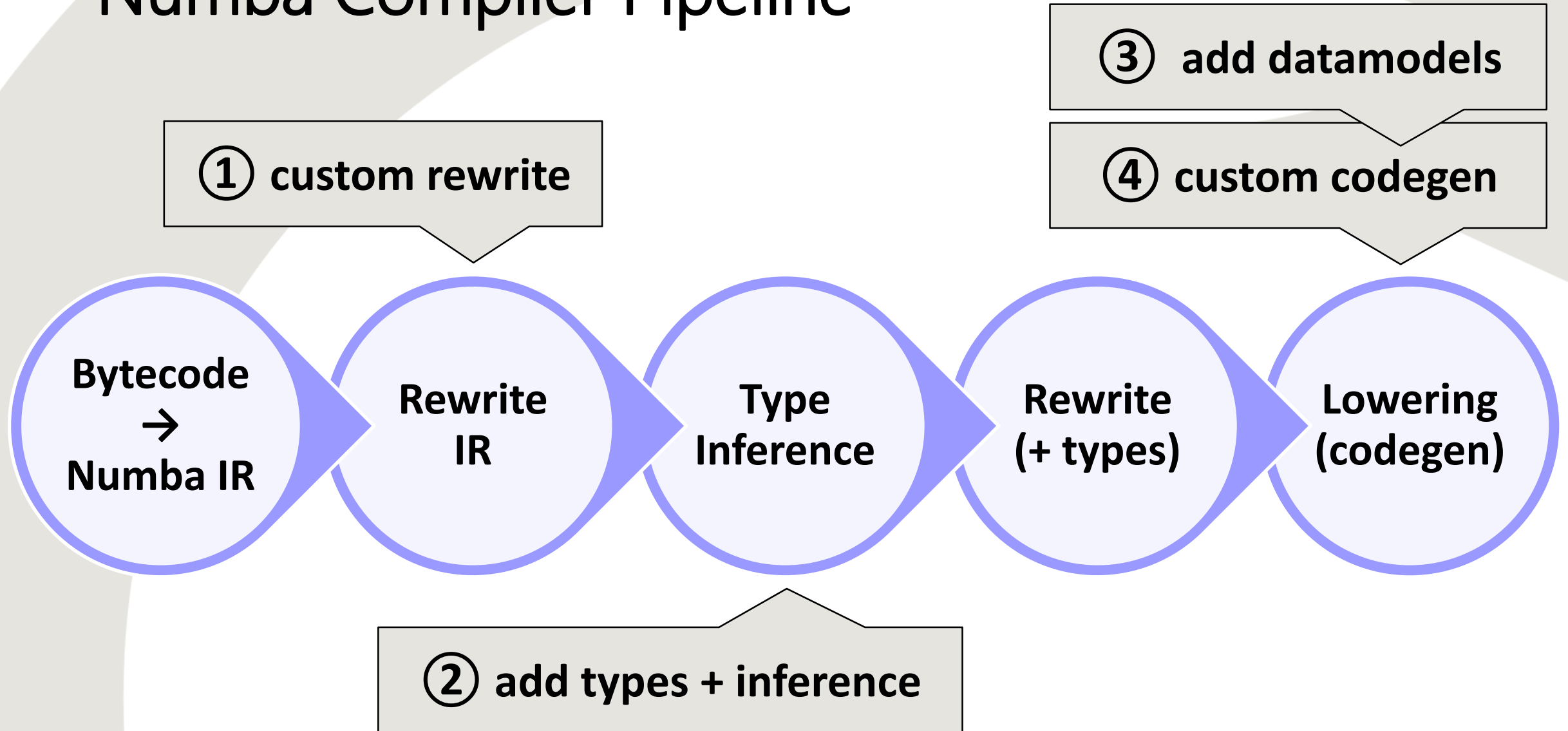
```
def calculate_smatrix(params, env, S):  
    phase = 2 * np.pi / env.wavelength * params.n_eff * params.length  
    A = 0.99  
    S['in', 'out'] = S['out', 'in'] = A * np.exp(1j * phase)
```

dict support?



⊘ C++ objects?

Numba Compiler Pipeline



① Numba IR Rewrite

```
from numba import ir
from numba.rewrites import Rewrite, register_rewrite

# 'before-inference' or 'after-inference'
@register_rewrite('before-inference')
class MyRewrite(Rewrite):
    def match(self, func_ir, block, typemap, calltypes):
        # search for expressions to rewrite,
        # return True when match
        return True

    def apply(self):
        # return a new function 'block'
        return new_block
```

② Type Inference

```
# 2 public decorators to register your custom typers  
from numba.extending import type_callable, typeof_impl
```

```
class MyPointType(numba.types.Type):  
    # A custom type to represent a point  
    # used during inference  
    def __init__(self):  
        super(MyPointType, self).__init__(name='Point')
```

```
@type_callable(MyPoint)  
def type_MyPoint(context):  
    def typer(x, y):  
        # your_func returns a point  
        return MyPointType()  
    return typer
```



**instantiate & return
your custom type**

③ Lowering Types

Lowering = generating LLVM intermediate representation (IR)

```
from numba.extending import register_model, models
```

```
@register_model(MyPointType)
```

```
class MyPointModel(models.StructModel):
```

```
    def __init__(self, dmm, fe_type):
```

```
        members = [
```

```
            ('x', types.int64),
```

```
            ('y', types.int64),
```

```
        ]
```

```
        models.StructModel.__init__(self, dmm,
```

```
            fe_type, members)
```



Data Layout

④ Lowering callables, setattr, getattr, ...

```
from numba.extending import lower_builtin
from numba import cgutils # llvm codegen utils
```

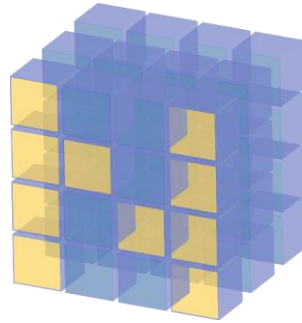
```
@lower_builtin(MyPoint, types.Integer, types.Integer)
def impl_point(context, builder, sig, args):
    typ = sig.return_type
    assert isinstance(typ, MyPointType)
    x, y = args
    point = cgutils.create_struct_proxy(typ)(context, builder)
    point.x = x
    point.y = y
    return point._getvalue()
```

Types of arguments

**Codegen utilities for
StructModel**

Integration with C/C++

```
import numpy.ctypeslib
```



NumPy

 Numba



THE
C
PROGRAMMING
LANGUAGE

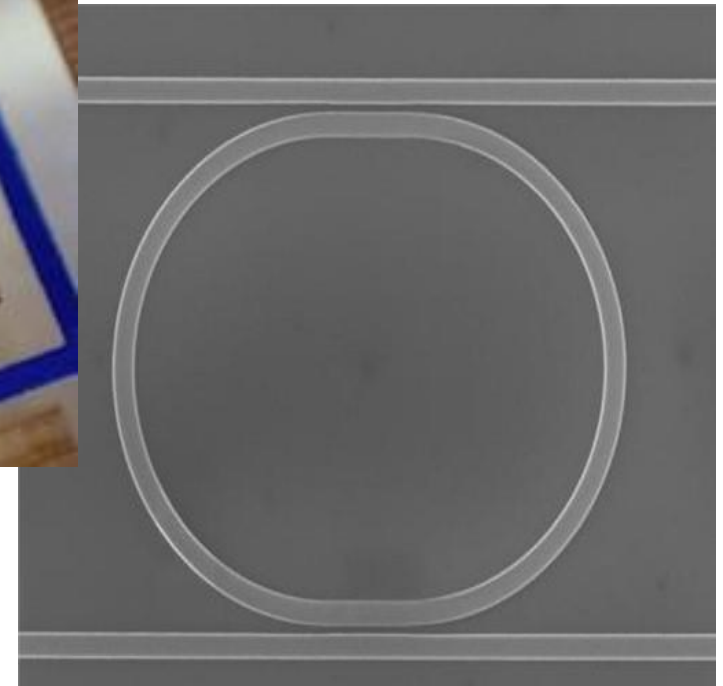
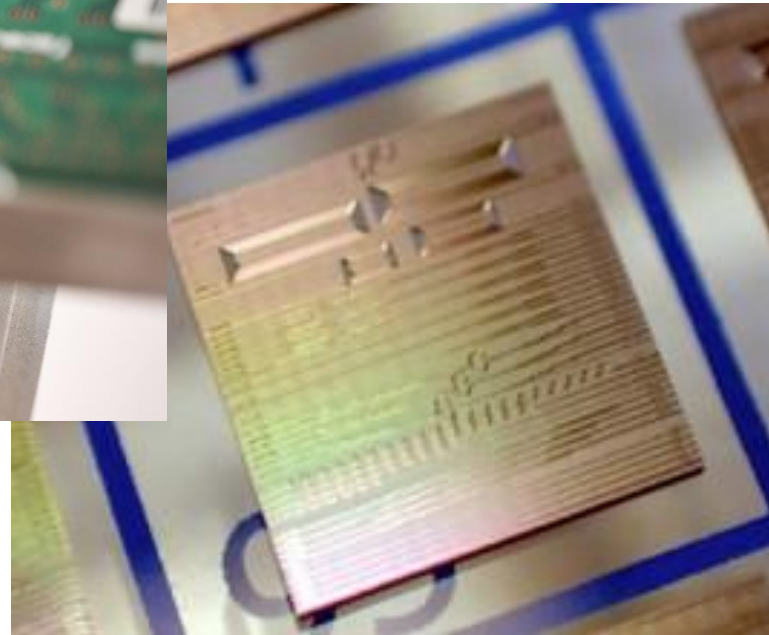
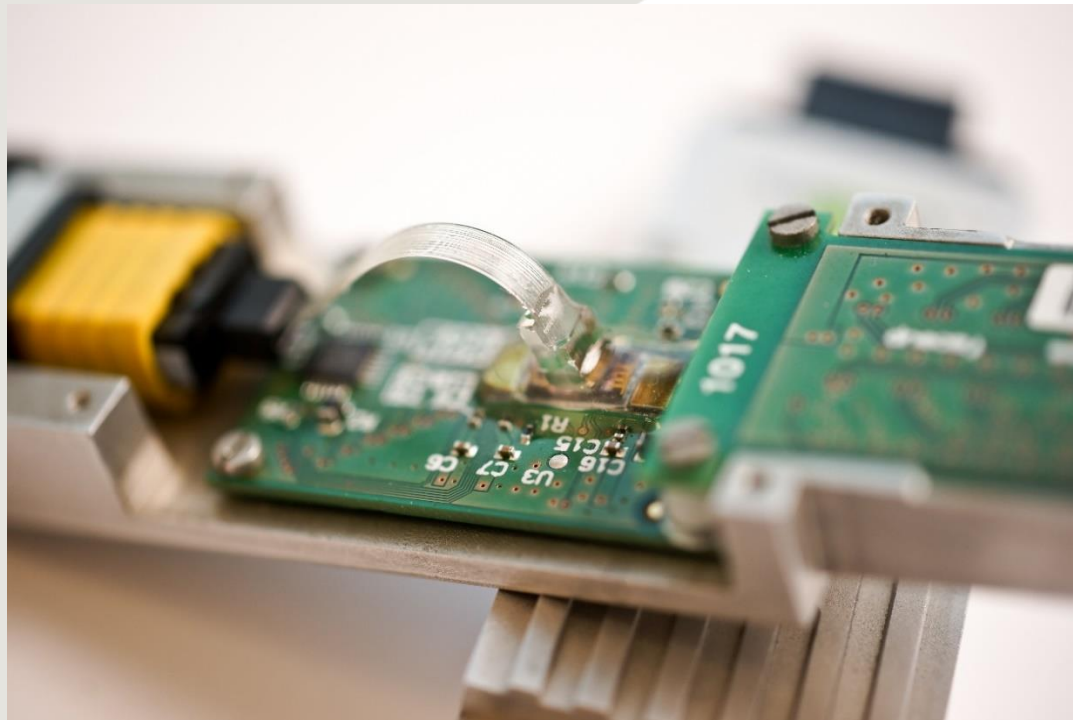
```
from numba import carray, cfunc  
import cffi
```

sys.exit(0)

References & Docs:

- Good start: <http://numba.pydata.org/numba-doc/latest/extending/interval-example.html>
- Numpy ctypeslib: <https://docs.scipy.org/doc/numpy/reference/routines.ctypeslib.html>
- Numba uses Numba, so look at its code for examples:
<https://github.com/numba/numba>
- Friendly introduction to LLVM: <https://www.aosabook.org/en/llvm.html>
- Examples: https://fosdem.org/2019/schedule/event/python_extending_numba/

Photonics Integrated Circuit (PIC)?



LUCEDA
P H O T O N I C S

Interop with C++ classes?

1. Write **C – wrapper** for your C++ code
2. Create a Numba type and model to store a **C++ obj pointer**
3. Implement attributes using Numba's extension architecture
4. Pass the pointer to the C++ object to your **numba.cfnc**
5. Segfault ;-)