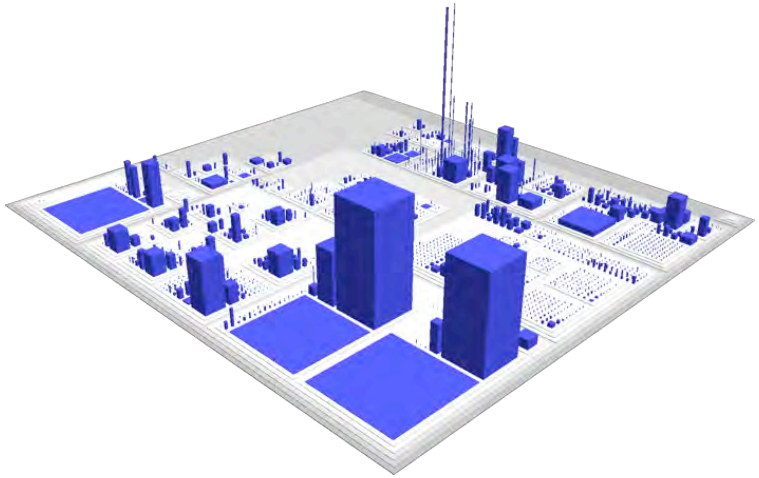
visualizations for code metrics



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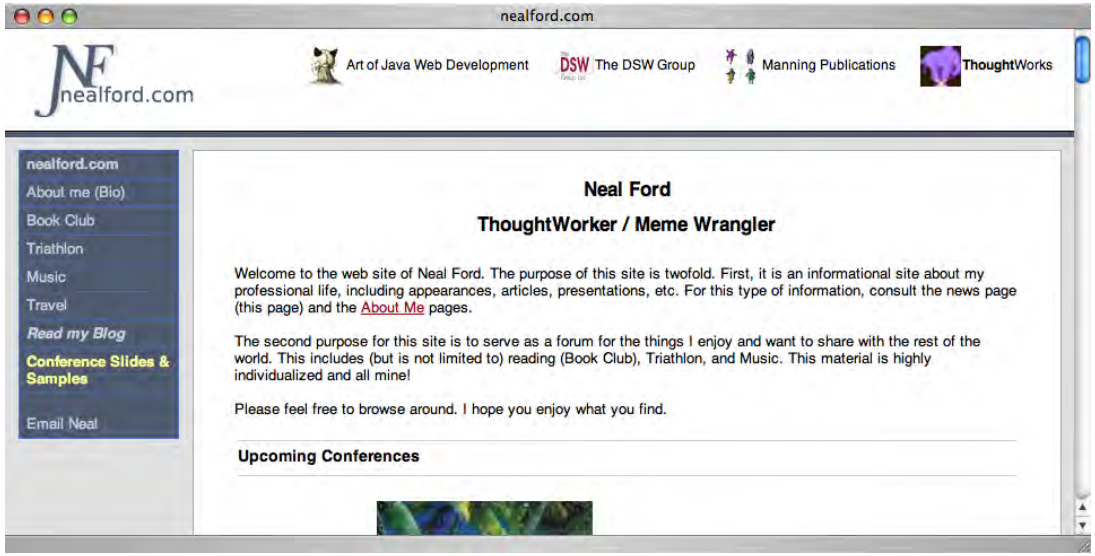

download samples from `github.com/nealford`

what was *that?*

code_swarm

http://code.google.com/p/codeswarm/

point it to a subversion repository

visualization of check-ins over time

useful? cool!


The End of Science
The quest for knowledge used to begin with grand theories. Now it begins with massive amounts of data. Welcome to the Petabyte Age.
http://www.wired.com/wired/issue/16-07

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A $200 HARD DRIVE THAT HOLDS 260,000 SONGS.

20 TERABYTE

PHOTOS UPLOADED TO FACEBOOK EACH MONTH

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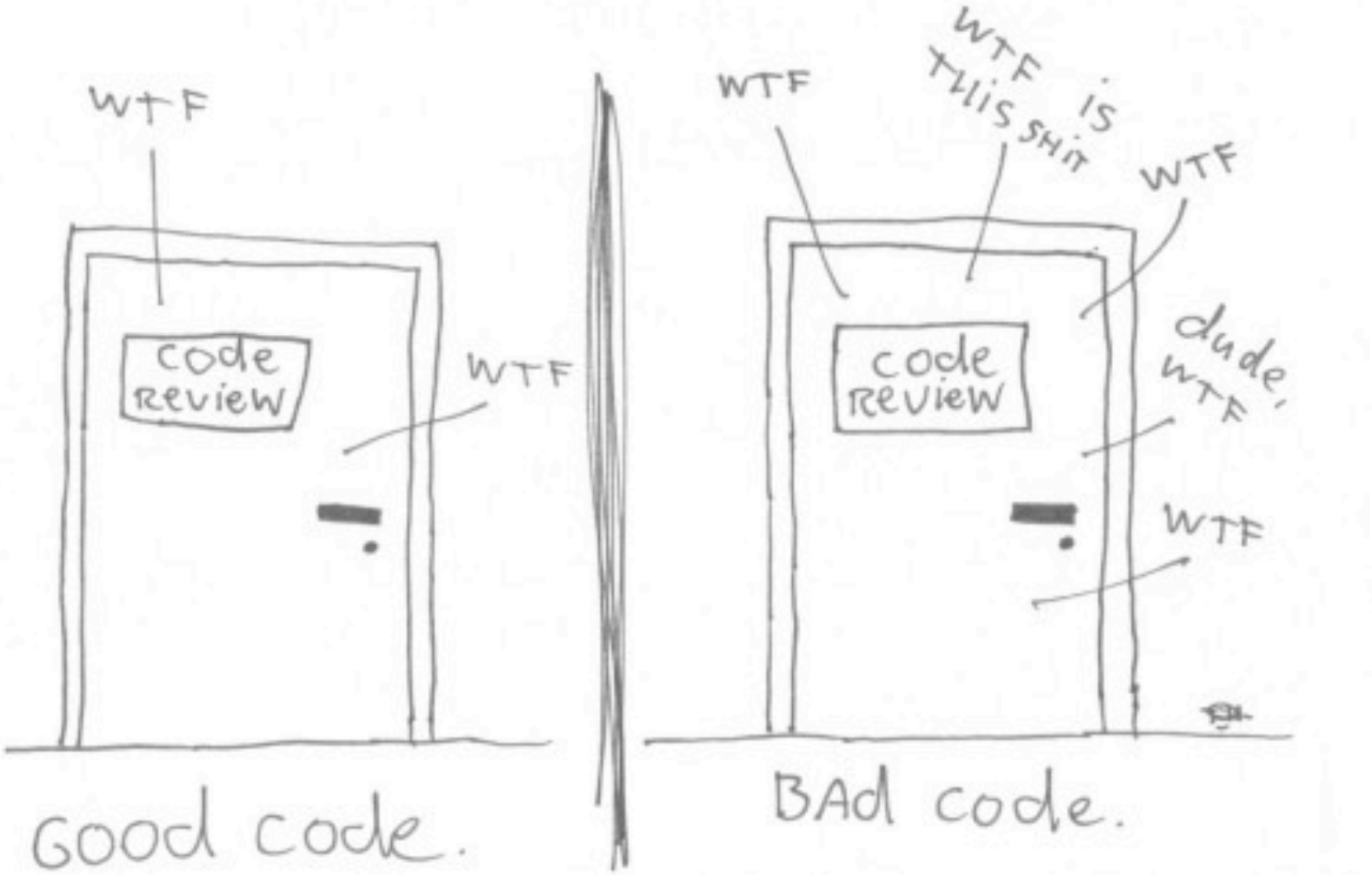
DATA PROCESSED BY GOOGLE'S SERVERS EVERY 72 MINUTES.

The ONLY VALID MEASUREMENT OF CODE QUALITY: WTFs/MINUTE




external perspective
is the software valuable to its users?

internal perspective

how appropriate is the design?

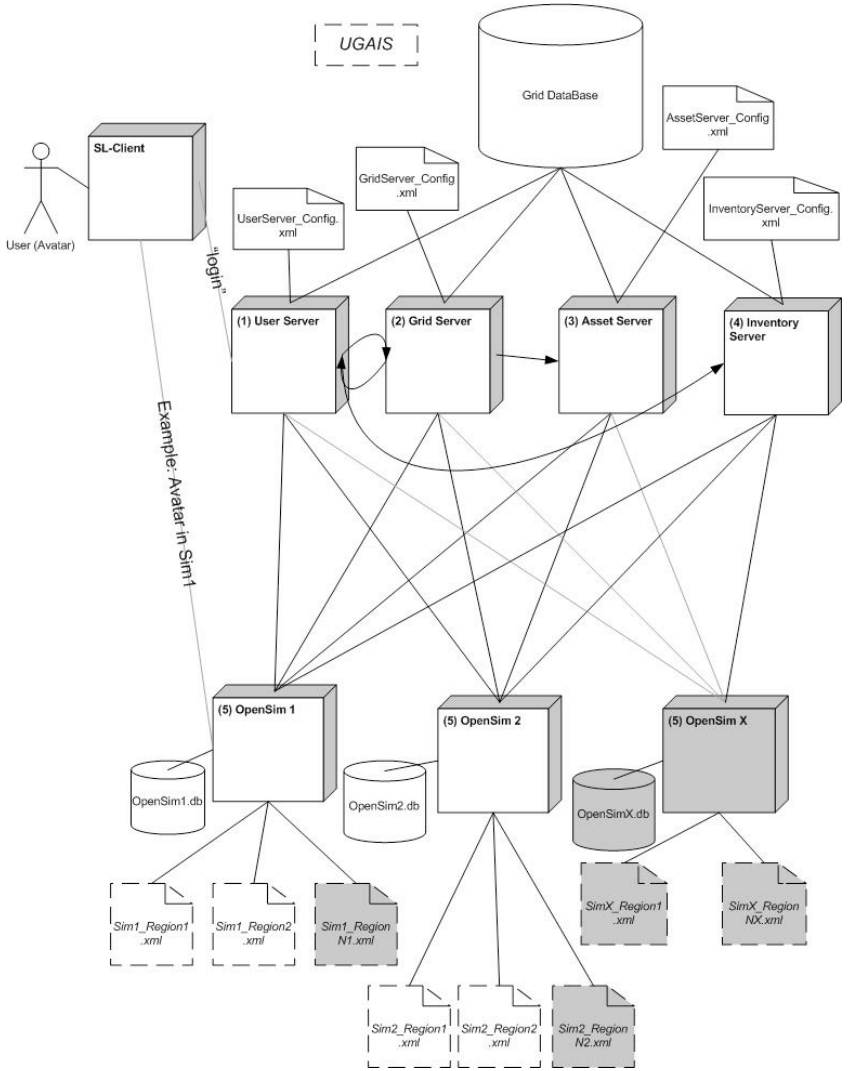
how amenable is emergent design?

how easy is it to understand & extend?

how maintainable is it?

is it salvageable?

30,000 feet

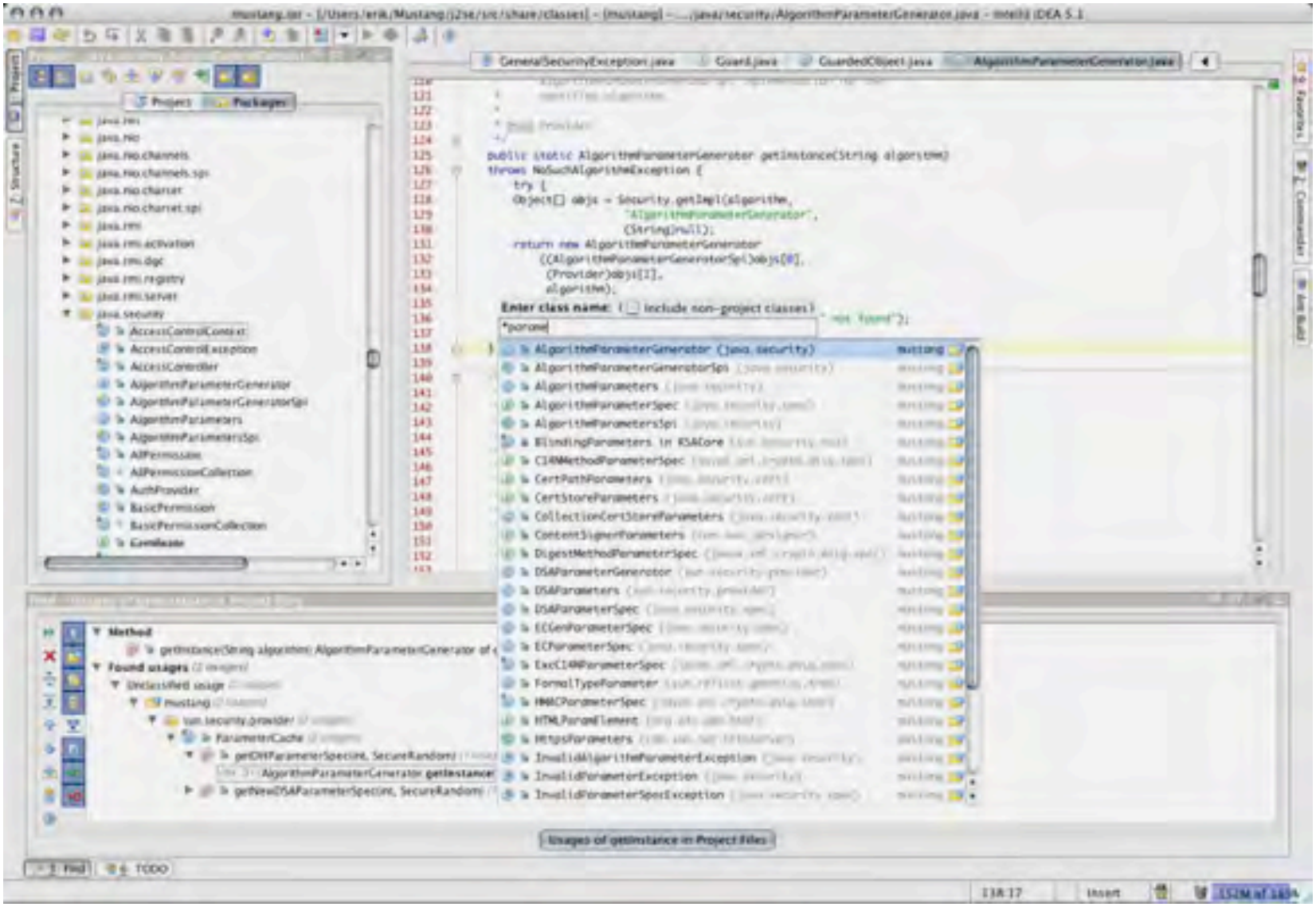


http://opensimulator.org/wiki/Grid_Architecture_Diagram

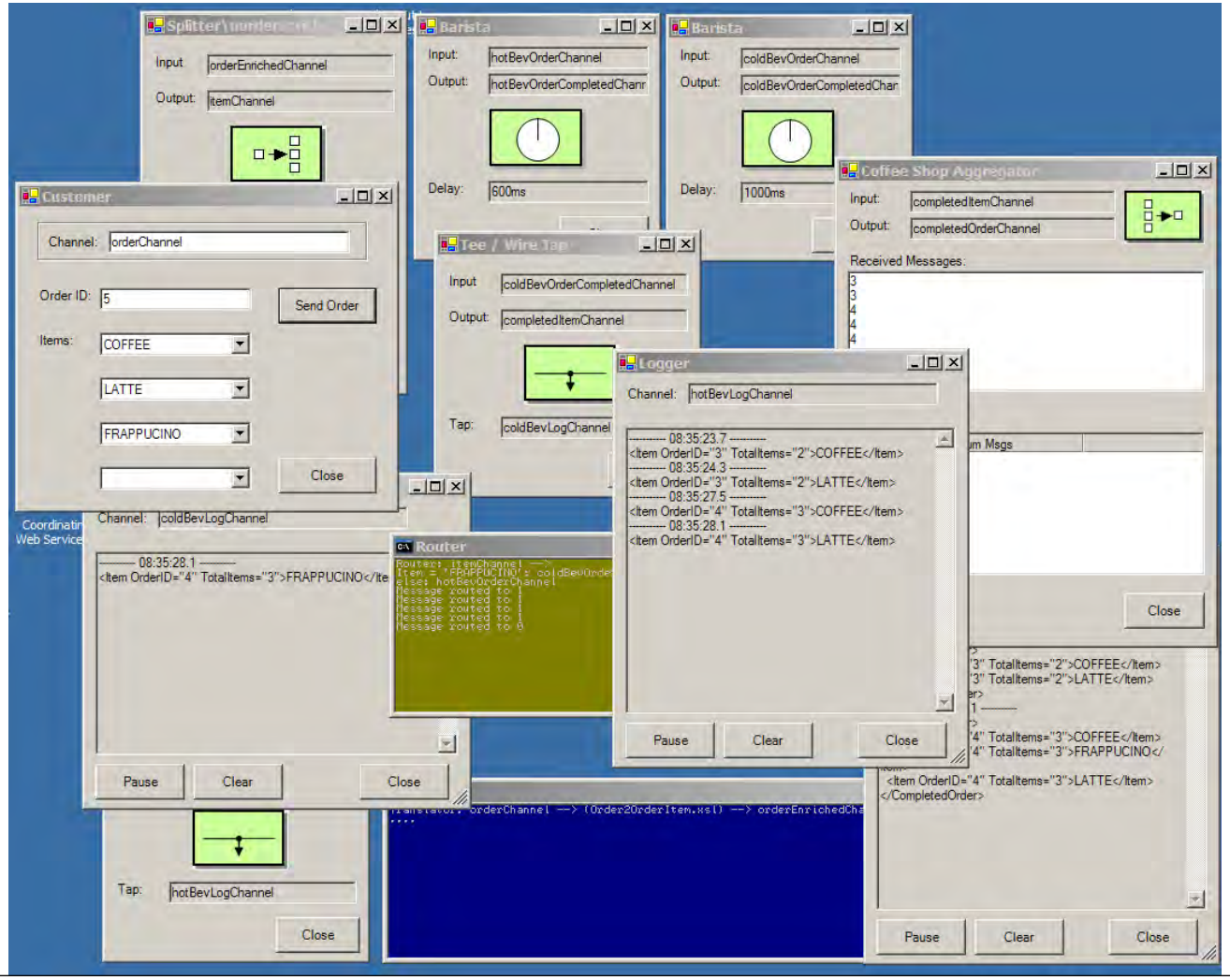
ground level

```
public void mergePluginOutput(BuildDetail build, Map paramete
    Iterator iterator = lines().iterator();
    while (iterator.hasNext()) {
        try {
            assemblePlugin(build, parameters, (String) iterat
        } catch (Exception e) {
            logger.error(e);
            continue;
        }
    }
}

void assemblePlugin(BuildDetail build, Map parameters, String
    String className = line.trim();
    if (className.startsWith("#") || StringUtils.isEmpty(clas
        return;
    }
    Class clazz = Class.forName(className);
    Widget digesterService = (Widget) clazz.newInstance();
    mergeParameters(build, parameters);
    build.addPluginOutput(digesterService.getDisplayName(), c
            .getOutput(parameters));
}

private void mergeParameters(BuildDetail build, Map parameter
    parameters.put(Widget.PARAM_CC_ROOT, configuration.getCCH
```

where are the defects?



which way do the messages flow?



where do the pictures come from?

models created up front convey a vision but usually don't reflect reality

generating a complete model for large systems is nearly impossible

systems evolve locally, often uncontrolled

the best picture very much depends on the question you are trying to answer

need tools to create ad-hoc models more easily

1. select a meta-model

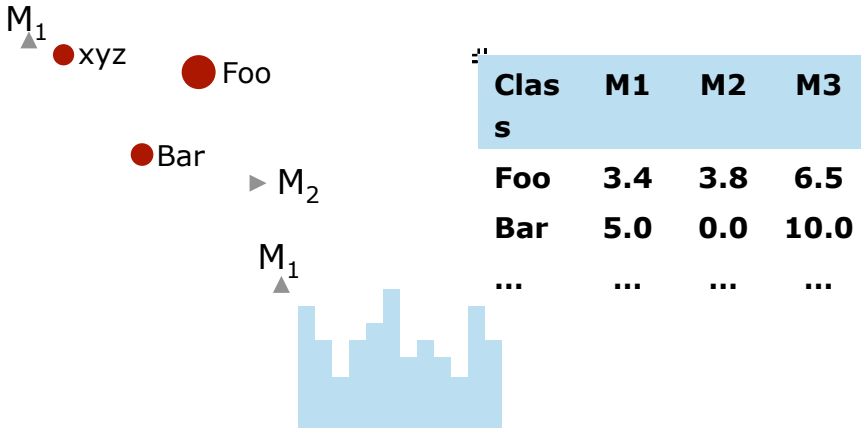
a model that describes a model

example: meta-model for a class diagram

- a class is a box with name, methods, fields,...
- available connectors: association, inheritance, aggregation…
- rules: no circles in inheritance, etc.

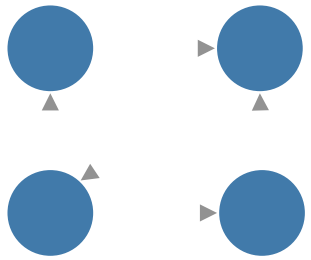
common meta-models

Metrics (Quantitative)

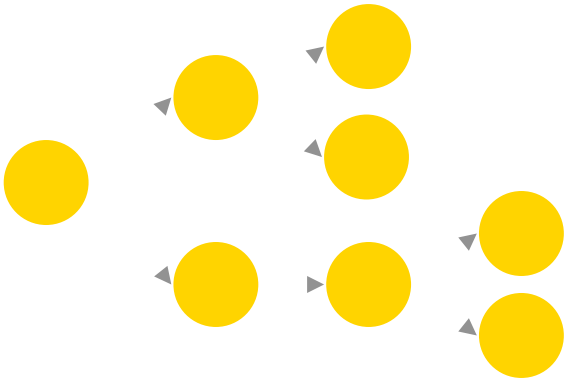


Class	M1	M2	M3
Foo	3.4	3.8	6.5
Bar	5.0	0.0	10.0
...	...	...	...

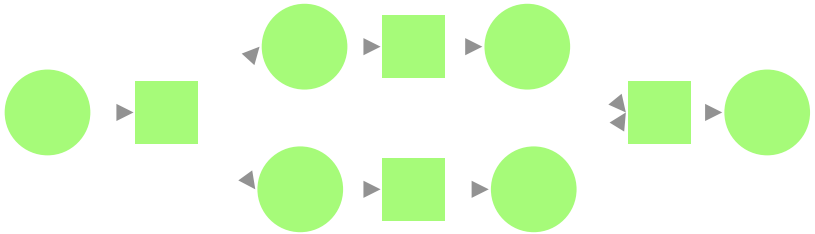
Directed Graph



Tree



Process Model (e.g. Petri Net)



2. inspection / instrumentation

static analysis

- source code
- byte code

dynamic analysis

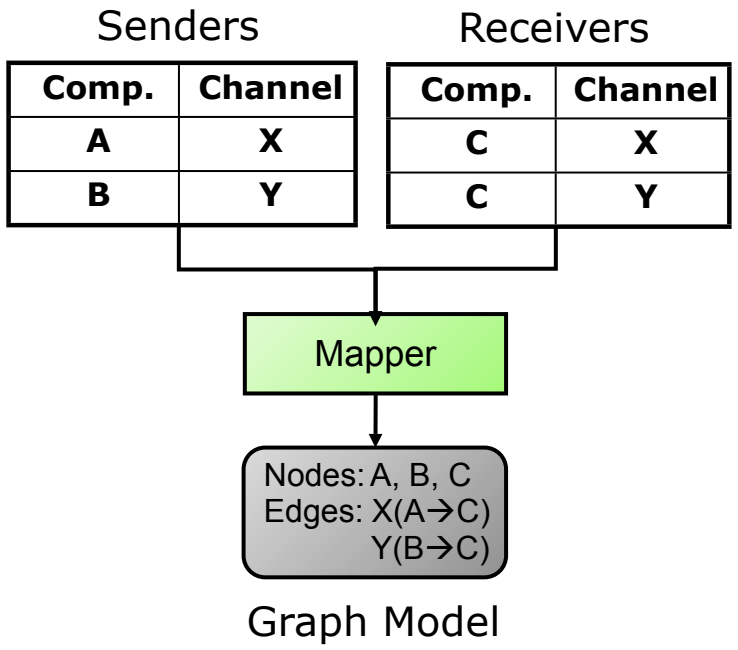
- profiling, listen to messages, log files, network sniffer, etc.

3. mapping to the model

example: messaging system

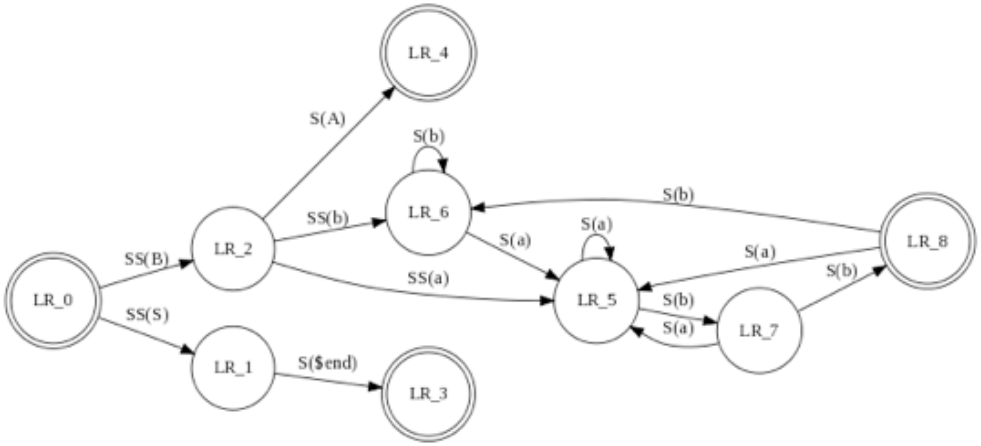
capture send/receive actions

map onto directed graph



4. visualization &...

Graphviz



...validation

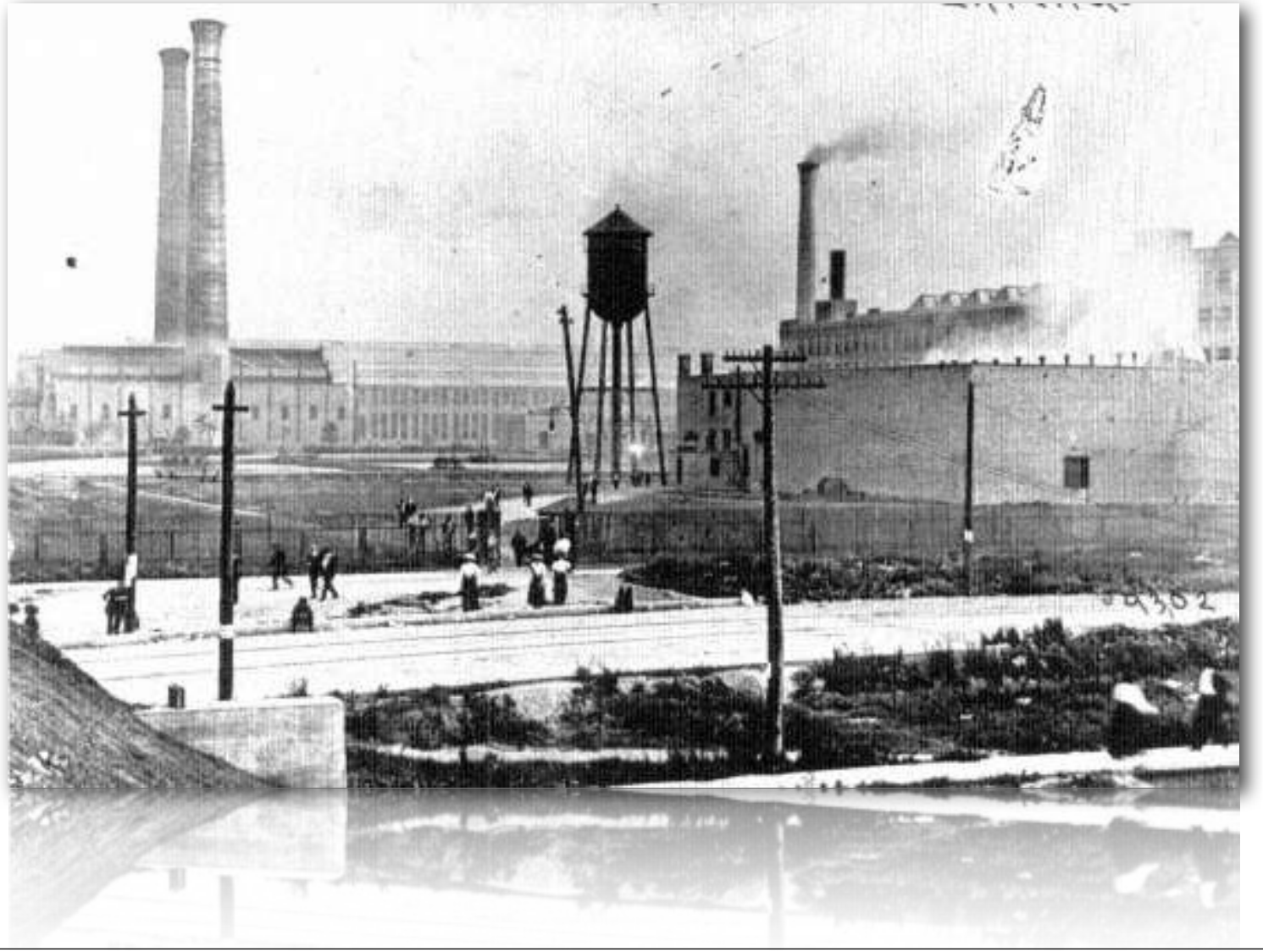
don't simply observe

verify & alert

enforce rules or best practices

- detect cycles
- islands on a dependency graph

the hawthorne effect



the hawthorne effect

measure and let it be known that you are measuring

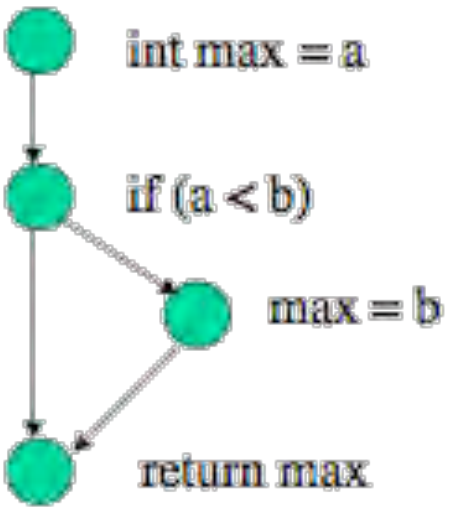

metrics

cyclomatic complexity

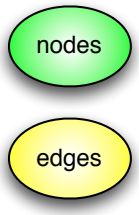
measures complexity of a function

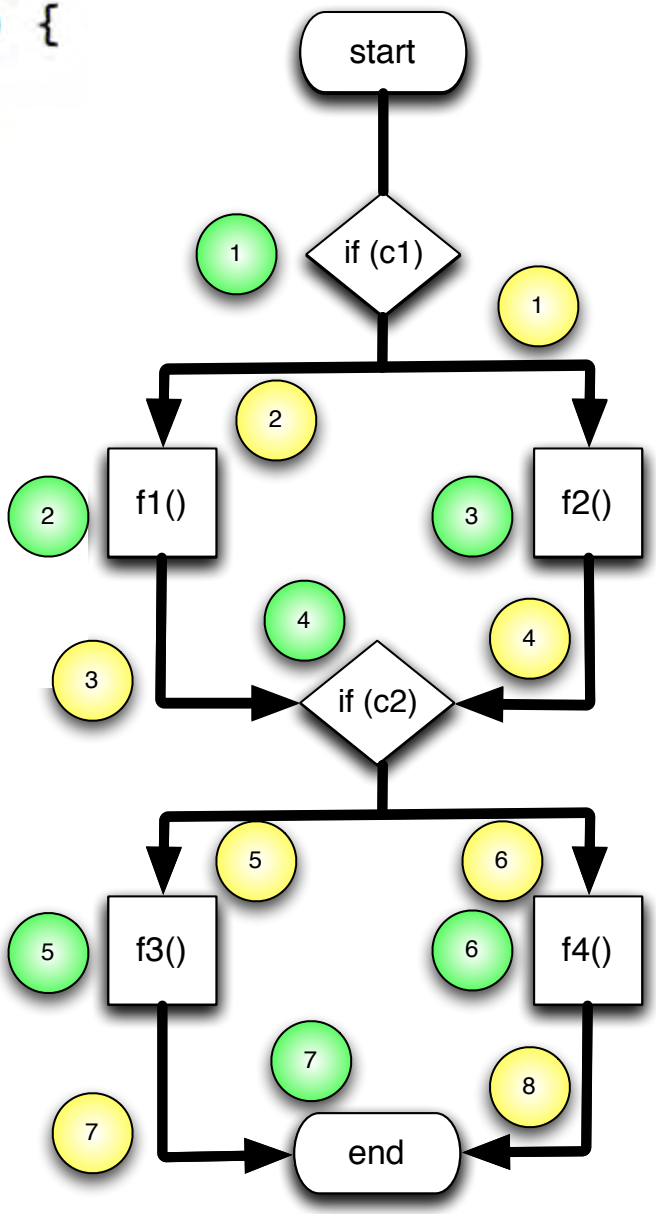
```
V(G)= e - n + 2
V(G) = cyclomatic complexity of G
e= # edges
n= # of nodes
```

```
int max (int a, int b) {
    int max = a;
    if (a < b) {
        max = b;
    }
    return max;
}
```



```
public void doIt() {
    if (c1) {
        f1();
    } else {
        f2();
    }
    if (c2) {
        f3();
    } else {
        f4();
    }
}
```





chidamber & kemerer object-oriented metrics

shyam r chidamber
chris f kemerer

easy but not terribly useful

very useful

easy (but trivial)

dit	depth of inheritance tree	# levels of inheritance
noc	number of children	# immediate descendants
npm	number of public methods	# public methods in class

very useful

wmc	weighted methods/ class	∑ of cyclomatic complexity
rfc	response for class	# of methods executed due to method call
lcom	lack of cohesion	∑ of sets of methods not shared via sharing fields
cbo/ ce	efferent couplings	∑ of other classes this class uses (outgoing calls)
ca	afferent couplings	∑ of how many other classes use this class (incoming calls)


visualizations
ERROR

source monitor

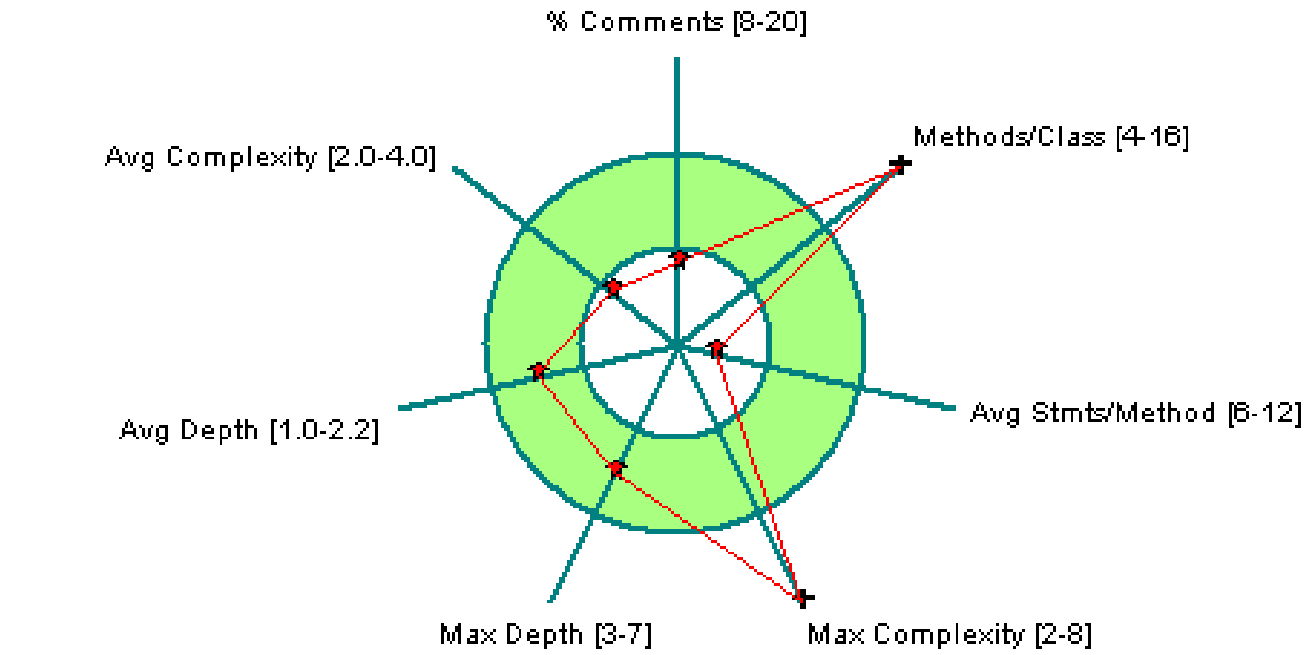
freeware tool for gathering metrics

metrics:

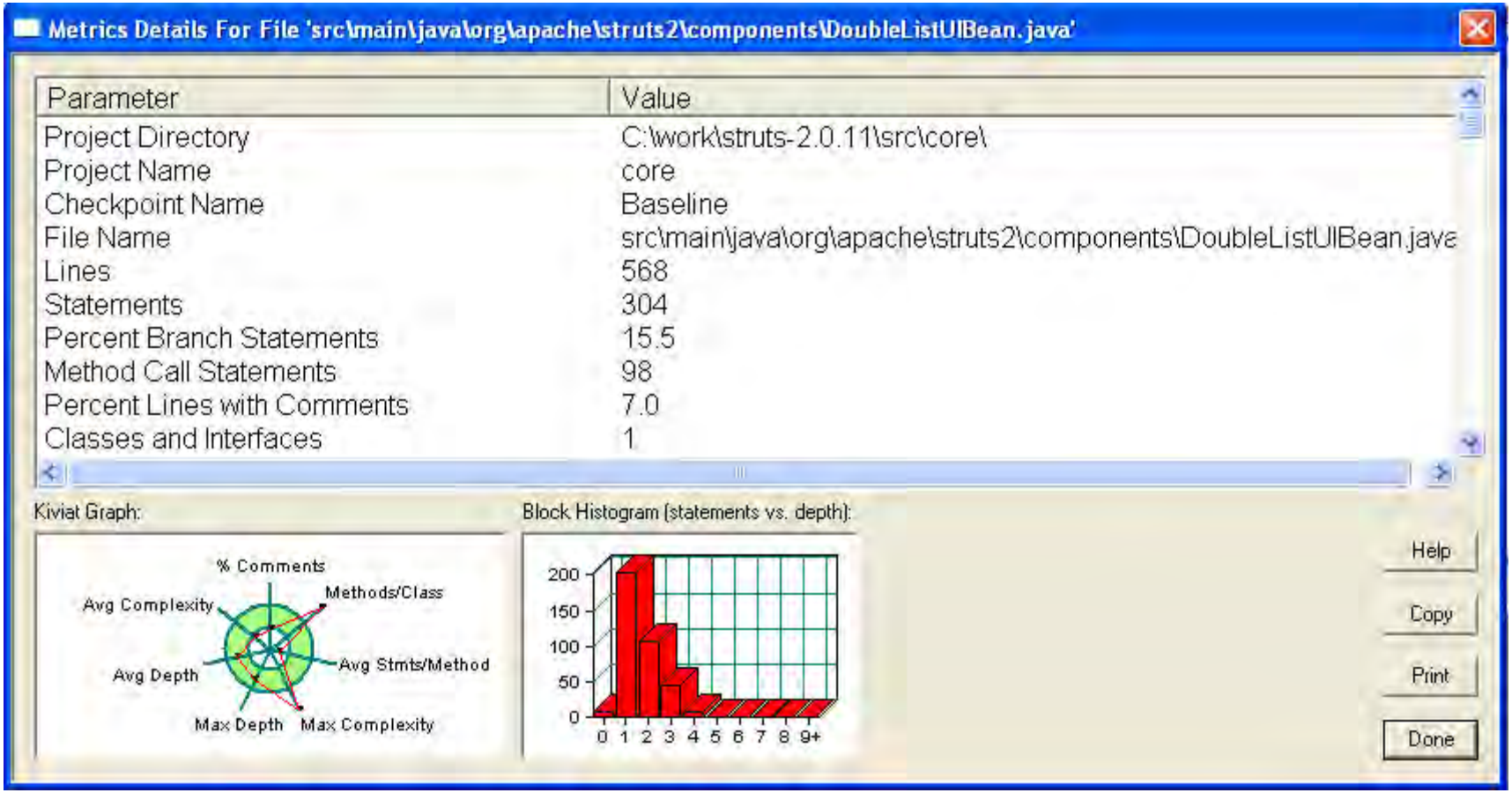
lines, statements, % branches, calls, % comments, classes, methods/class, avg stmts/ method, max complexity, max depth, average depth, average complexity

graphical user interface, windows only!

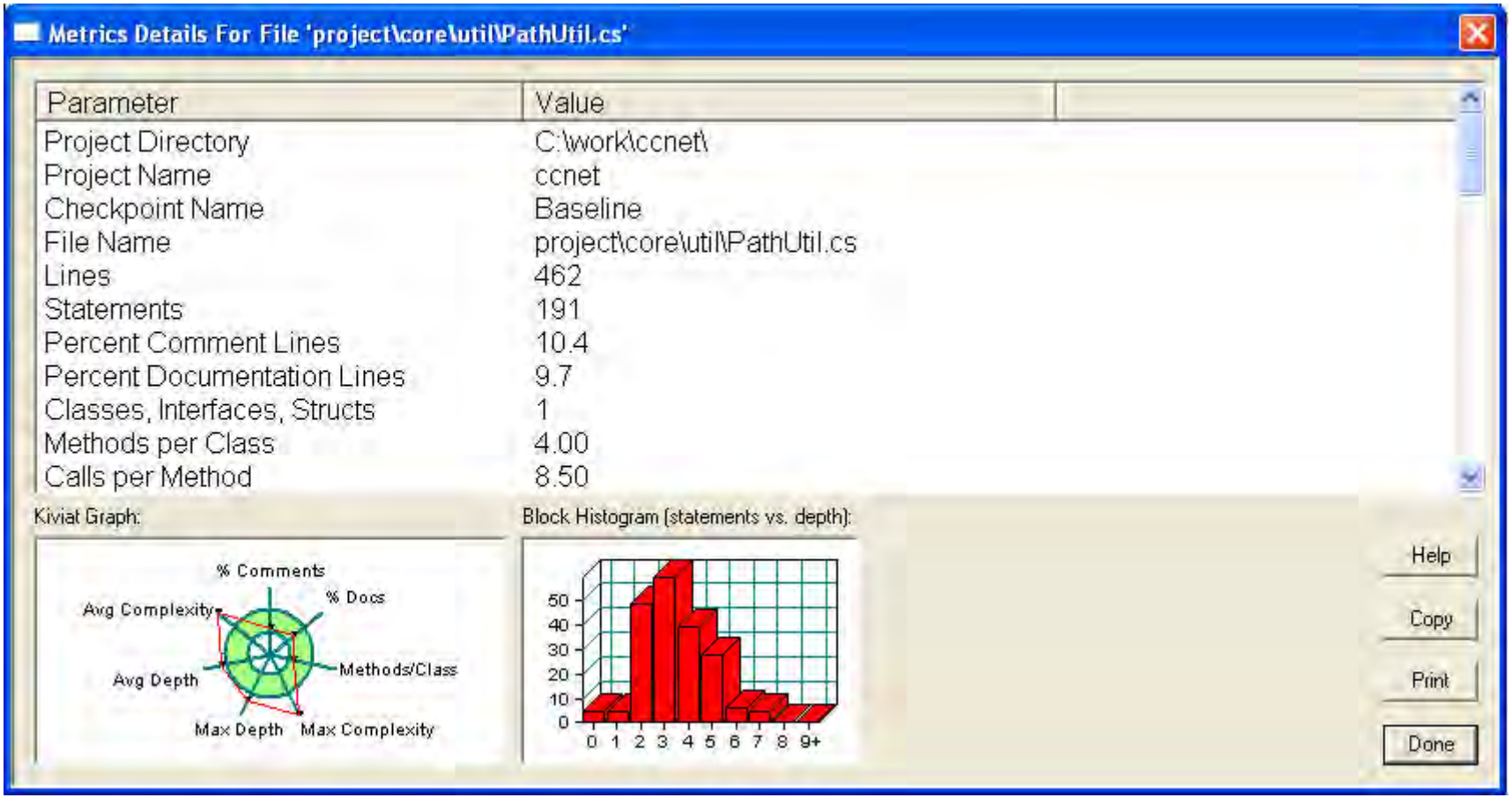
source monitor: kiviat graphs



source monitor: class summary



source monitor w/ c#



looking for...

classes that violate several kiviat graph ranges

really odd shapes

"A project dedicated to making code metrics so widely understood, valuable, and simple that their use becomes ubiquitous, thus raising the quality of software across the industry."

panopticode parts

code coverage with emma

- 1-line change to switch to cobertura

checkstyle

- 1-line switch for custom rule sets

jdepend

javancss

volatility

code duplication using simian

aggregator & reports

treemaps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CruiseControl Complexity
Details
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Project:
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CCN 10-24
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File: EmailPublisher.java
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Block Coverage: 67.4% (819.0/1215.0)
Line Coverage: 68.2% (187.6/275.0)
Method: createUserSet(XMLLogHelper)
NCSS: 19
CCN: 11
Block Coverage: 100.0% (122.0/122.0)
Line Coverage: 100.0% (18.0/18.0)
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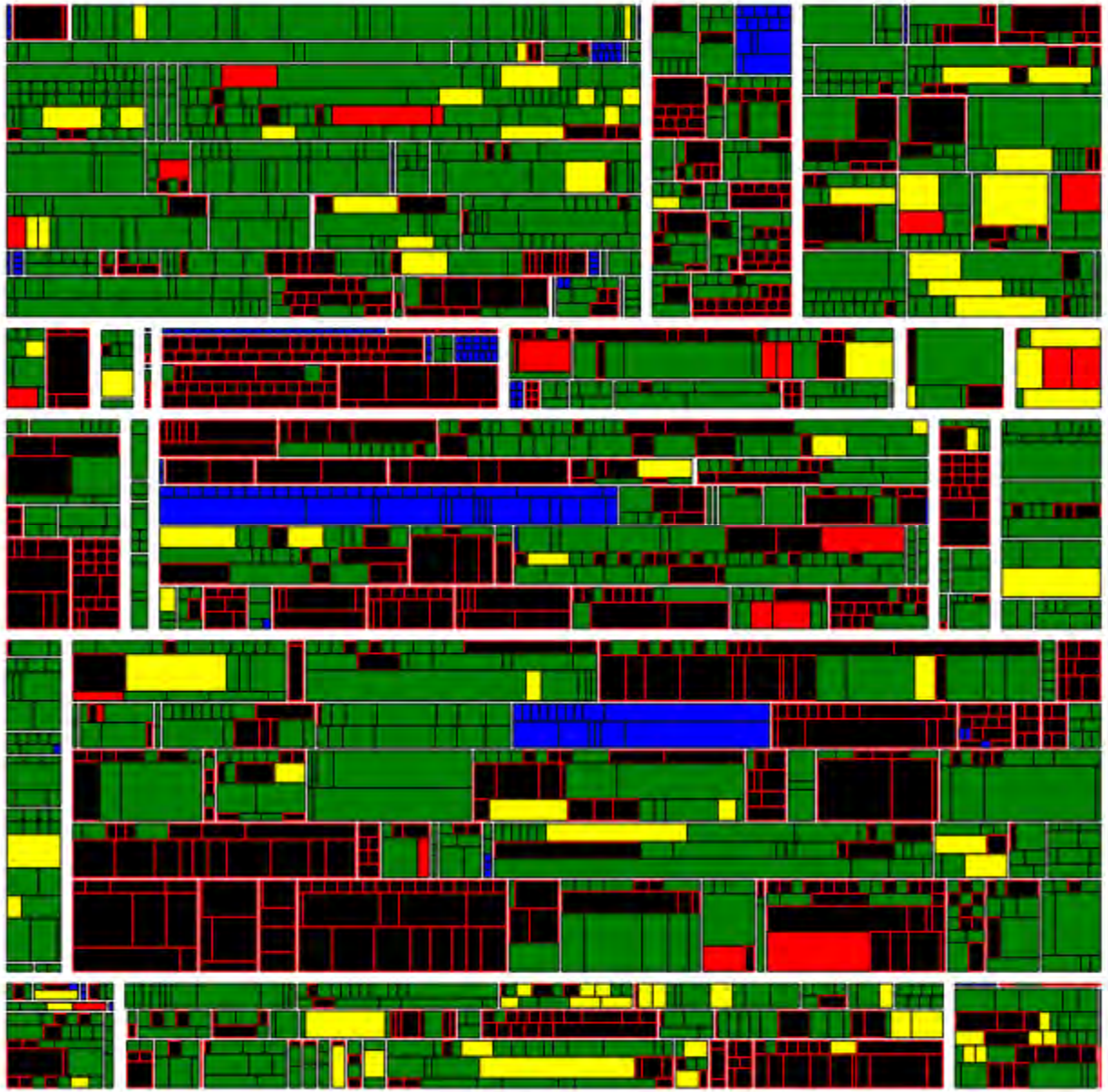
CruiseControl Code Coverage



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Line Coverage:

Coverage >= 75% | Coverage >= 50% | Coverage > 0% | Coverage = 0% | N/A

looking for...

20,000 foot view along a single dimension

simple view of one dimension

information radiators

size & complexity pyramid

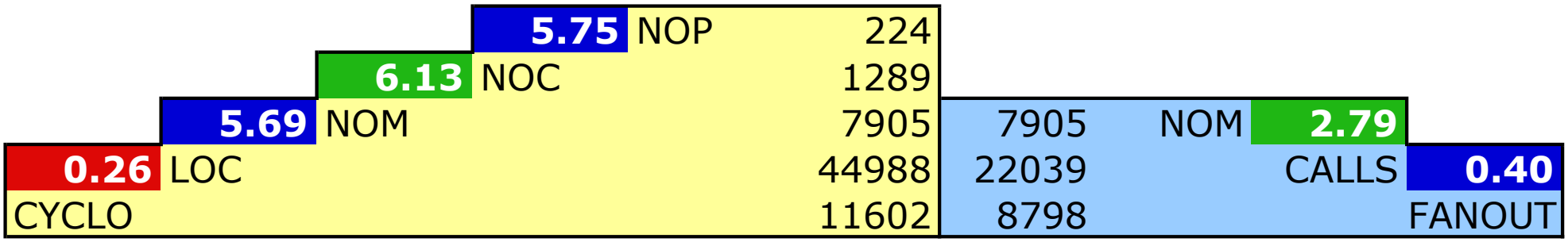
developed at Universities of Berne and Lugano

shows key metrics and their relationships

allows comparison to “industry standards”

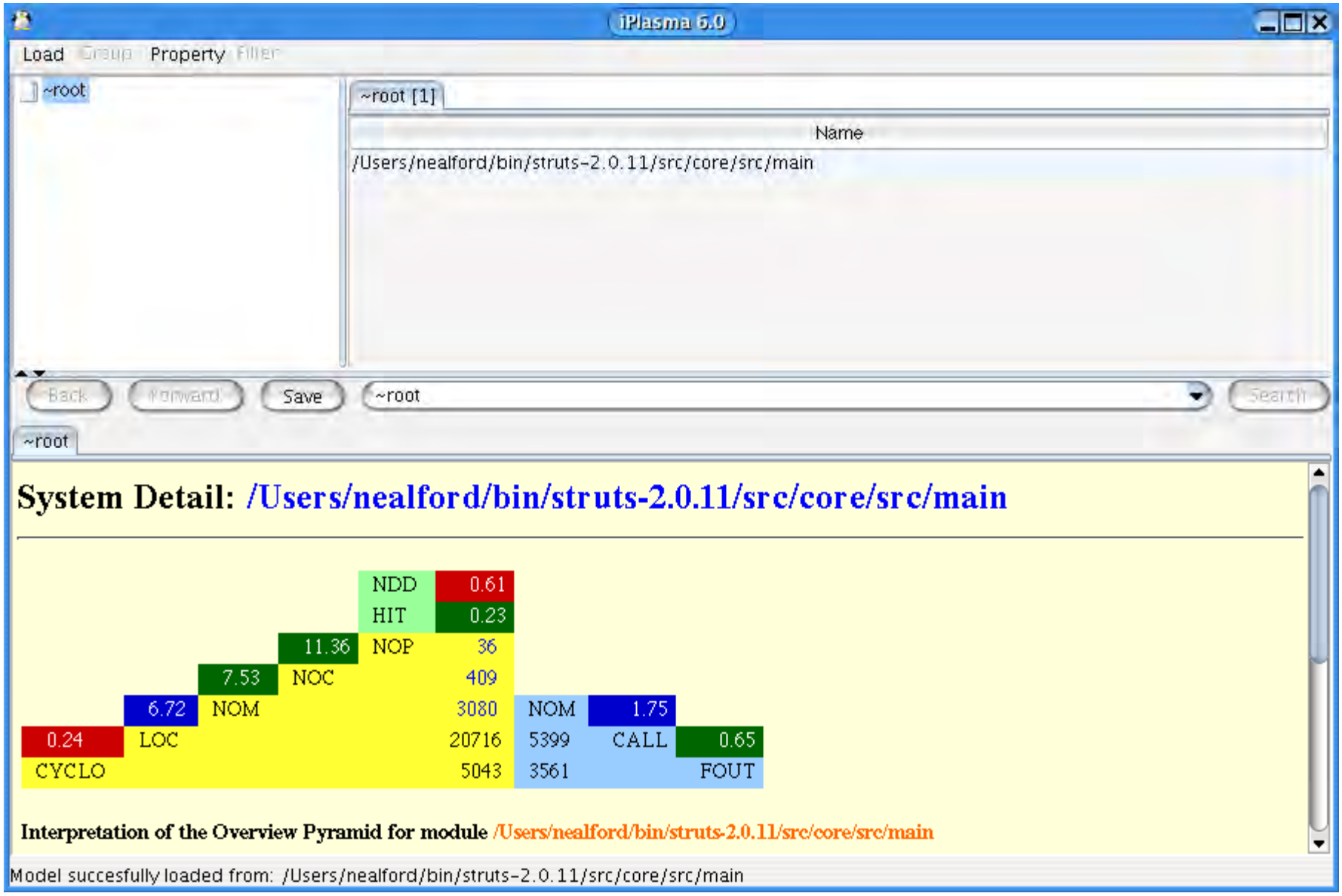
created by iPlasma tool from source code

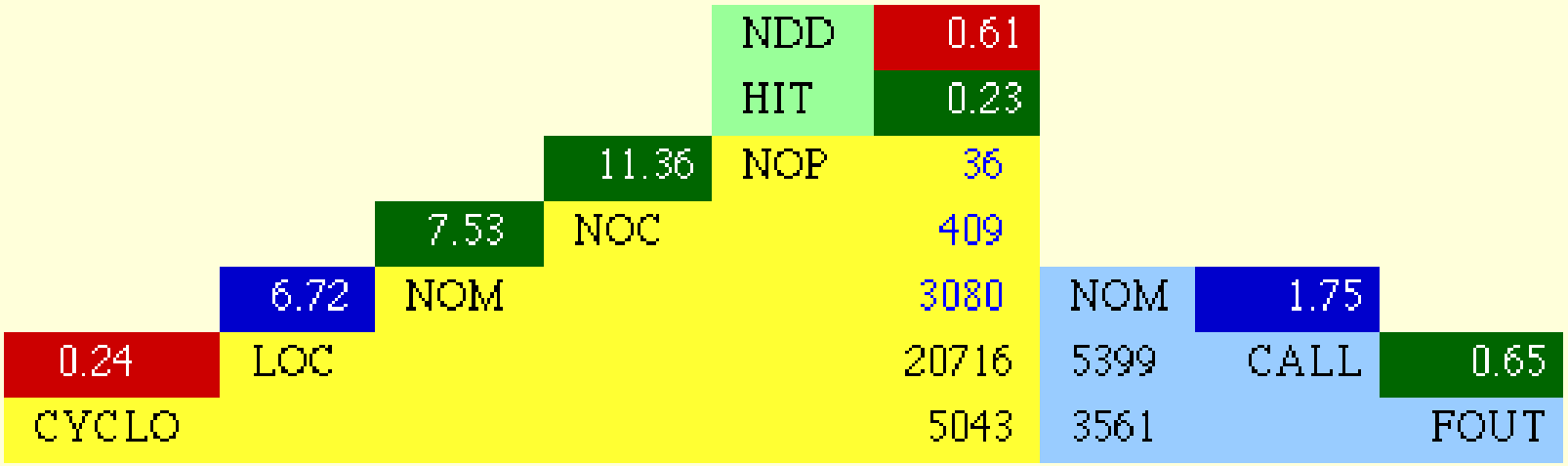
pyramid



	Low	Medium	High
CYCLO / Line	0.16	0.20	0.24
LOC / method	7	10	13
NOM / class	4	7	10
NOC / package	6	17	26
CALLS / method	2.01	2.62	3.20
FANOUT / call	0.56	0.62	0.68

iPlasma + Struts





Interpretation of the Overview Pyramid for module /Users/nealford/bin/struts-2.0.11/src/core/src/main

Class Hierarchies tend to be of **average height** and **wide**
(i.e. inheritance trees tend to have base-classes with many directly derived sub-classes)

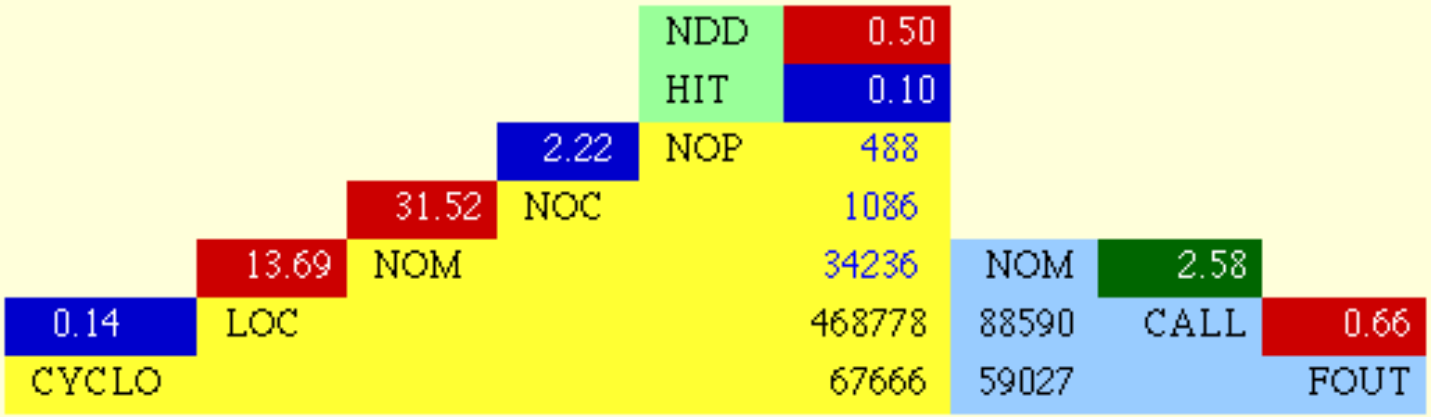
Classes tend to:

- contain an **average** number of methods;
- be organized in **average-sized packages** ;

Methods tend to:

- tend to be rather **short** yet having a rather **complex logic** (i.e. many conditional branches);
- tend to call **few methods** (low coupling intensity) from a **several other classes** ;

vuze



Interpretation of the Overview Pyramid for module
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Class Hierarchies tend to be **shallow** and **wide**
(i.e. inheritance trees tend to have only few depth-level(s) and base-classes with many directly derived sub-classes)

Classes tend to:

- be rather **large** (i.e. they define many methods);
- be organized in rather **fine-grained packages** (i.e. few classes per package);

Methods tend to:

- tend to be rather **long** yet having a rather **simple logic** (i.e. few conditional branches);
- tend to call an **several methods** from **many other classes** (high coupling dispersion);

looking for...

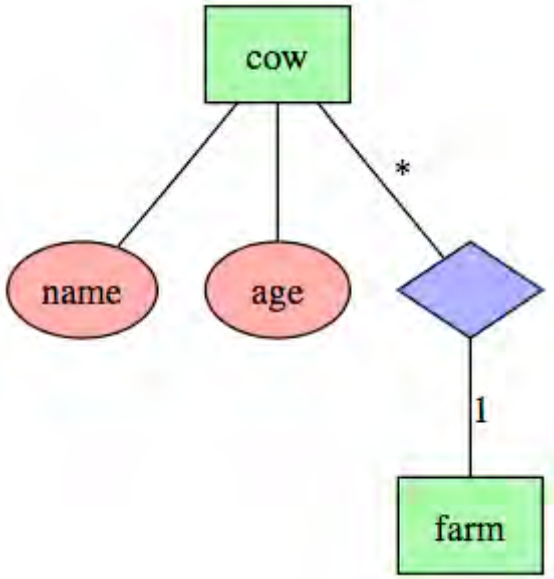
adherence to industry standards

low number of lines / method
(see composed method pattern)

low cyclomatic complexity / line

GraphViz

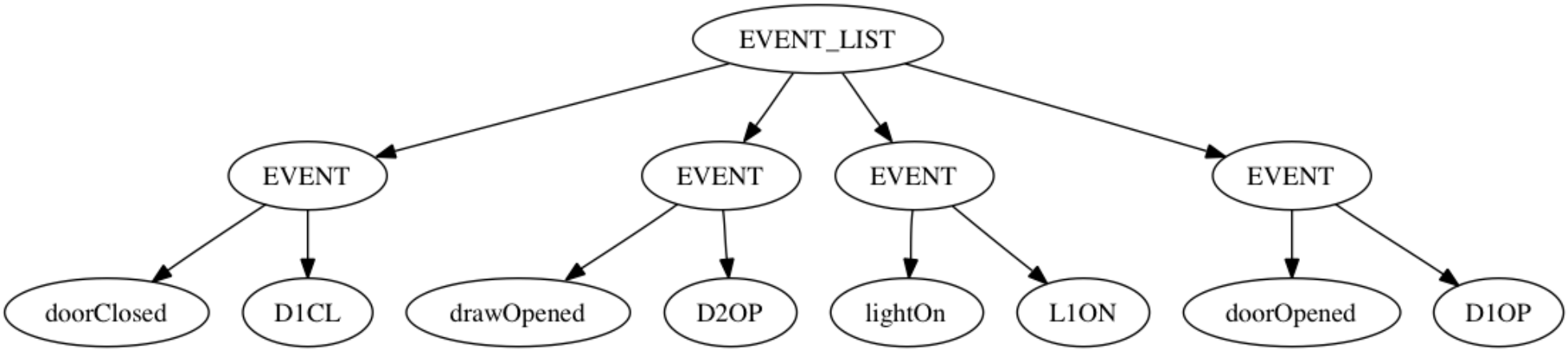
```
graph ER {
  node [shape=box style=filled fillcolor="#00ff005f"];
    farm;
    cow;
  node [shape=ellipse style=filled fillcolor="#ff00005f"];
    {node [label="name"] cow_name;}
    {node [label="age"] cow_age;}
  node [shape=diamond style=filled fillcolor="#0000ff5f"];
    {node [label=""]
      cow_farm;}

  cow -- cow_name;
  cow -- cow_age;

  cow -- cow_farm [label="*"];
  cow_farm -- farm [label="1"];
}
```



eventlist dot file

```
digraph simple {
ordering=out
e1 [label = "EVENT"]
e2 [label = "EVENT"]
e3 [label = "EVENT"]
e4 [label = "EVENT"]
eventList [label = "EVENT_LIST"]
eventList -> e1
eventList -> e2
eventList -> e3
eventList -> e4
c1 [label = "D1CL"]
c2 [label = "D2OP"]
c3 [label = "L1ON"]
c4 [label = "D1OP"]
e1 -> doorClosed
e1 -> c1
e2 -> drawOpened
e2 -> c2
e3 -> lightOn
e3 -> c3
e4 -> doorOpened
e4 -> c4
}
```

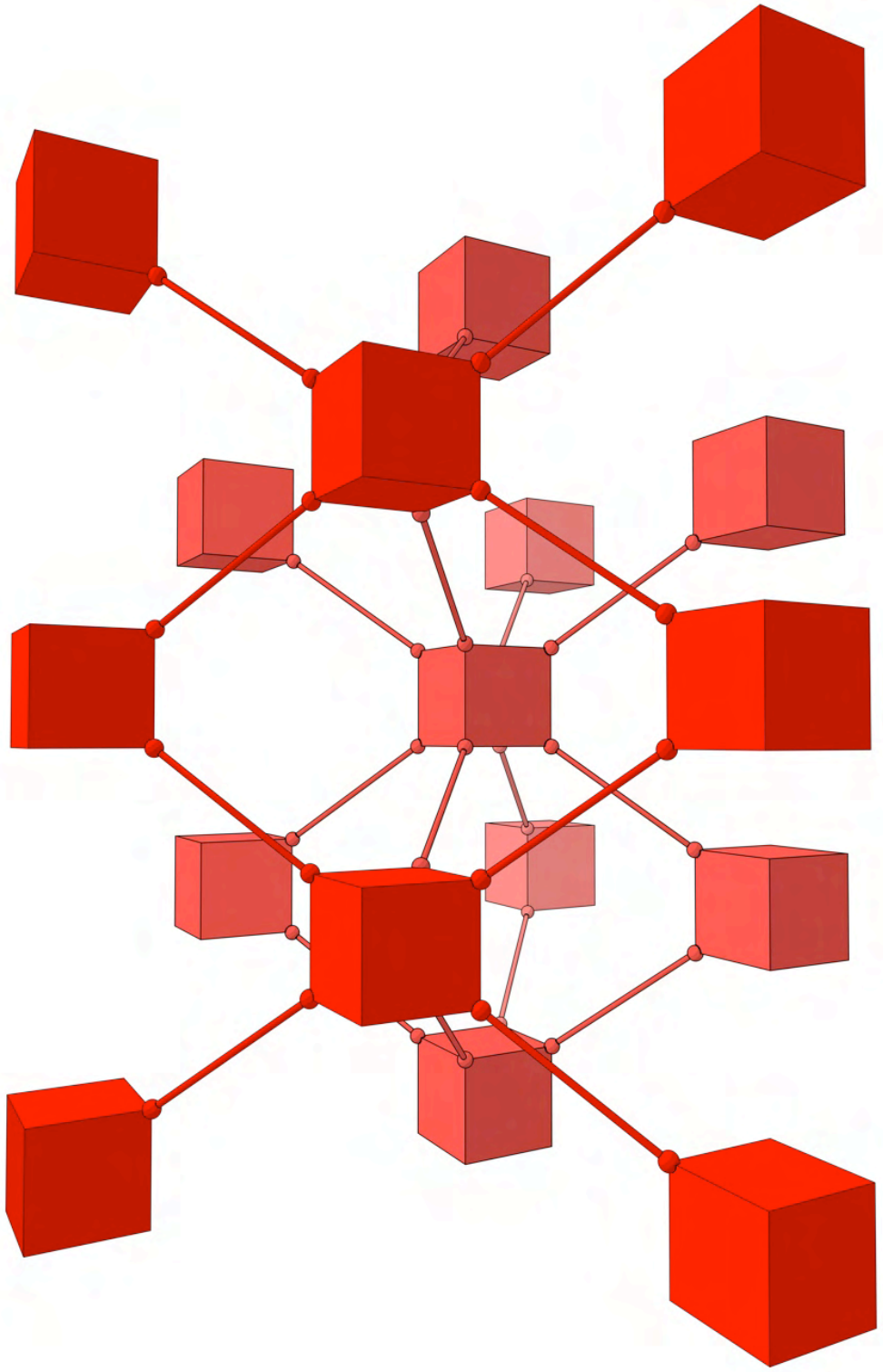
output


EVENT_LIST
EVENT
EVENT
EVENT
EVENT
doorClosed
D1CL
drawOpened
D2OP
lightOn
L1ON
doorOpened
D1OP

generating dot files

```
public void toDot(StringBuilder result) {
  String dotLabel = String.format("{%s", name);
  if (!commands.isEmpty()) {
    dotLabel += "|";
    for(Command c : commands) dotLabel += String.format("%s\\n", c.getName());
  }
  dotLabel += "}";
  result.append(String.format("%s [shape = Mrecord fontsize = 12 label = \"%s\"]\n", name, dotLabel));
  for(Map.Entry<Event,State> e : transitions.entrySet()) {
    result.append(String.format("%s -> %s [ label = \"%s\" fontsize = 10 arrowhead = open];\n",
        name, e.getValue().name, e.getKey().getName()));
  }
}
```

untangling jars



jar analyzer

Kirk Knoernschild
www.kirkk.com

xml output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transformed

JarAnalyzer Analysis

Run with JarAnalyzer on

Summary

[summary] [jars] [cycles] [explanations]

Jar Name	Total Classes	Abstract Classes	Packages	Level	Abstractness	Efferent	Afferent	Instability	Distance
antlr.jar	210	48	10	1	0.23	0	1	0.00	0.77
commons-beanutils.jar	66	7	4	2	0.11	2	3	0.40	0.49
commons-collections.jar	187	15	3	1	0.08	0	4	0.00	0.92
commons-digester.jar	55	9	3	3	0.16	3	2	0.60	0.24
commons-fileupload.jar	16	4	1	1	0.25	0	1	0.00	0.75
commons-logging.jar	18	2	2	1	0.11	0	4	0.00	0.89
commons-validator.jar	30	1	2	4	0.03	5	1	0.83	0.14
jakarta-oro.jar	62	13	6	1	0.21	0	1	0.00	0.79
struts.jar	289	33	25	5	0.11	7	0	1.00	0.11

Jars

[summary] [jars] [cycles] [explanations]

antlr.jar

Level: 1 Afferent Couplings: 1 Efferent Couplings: 0 Abstractness: 0.23 Instability: 0.00 Distance: 0.77

Uses Jars	Used by Jars	Cycles With
None	struts.jar	*None*

Packages within jar	Unresolved Packages
antlr antlr.build antlr.collections antlr.debug antlr.preprocessor antlr.actions.cpp antlr.actions.csharp antlr.actions.java antlr.collections.impl antlr.debug.misc	*None*

commons-beanutils.jar

Level: 2 Afferent Couplings: 3 Efferent Couplings: 2 Abstractness: 0.11 Instability: 0.40 Distance: 0.49

Uses Jars	Used by Jars	Cycles With
commons-collections.jar commons-logging.jar	commons-digester.jar commons-validator.jar struts.jar	*None*

Packages within jar	Unresolved Packages
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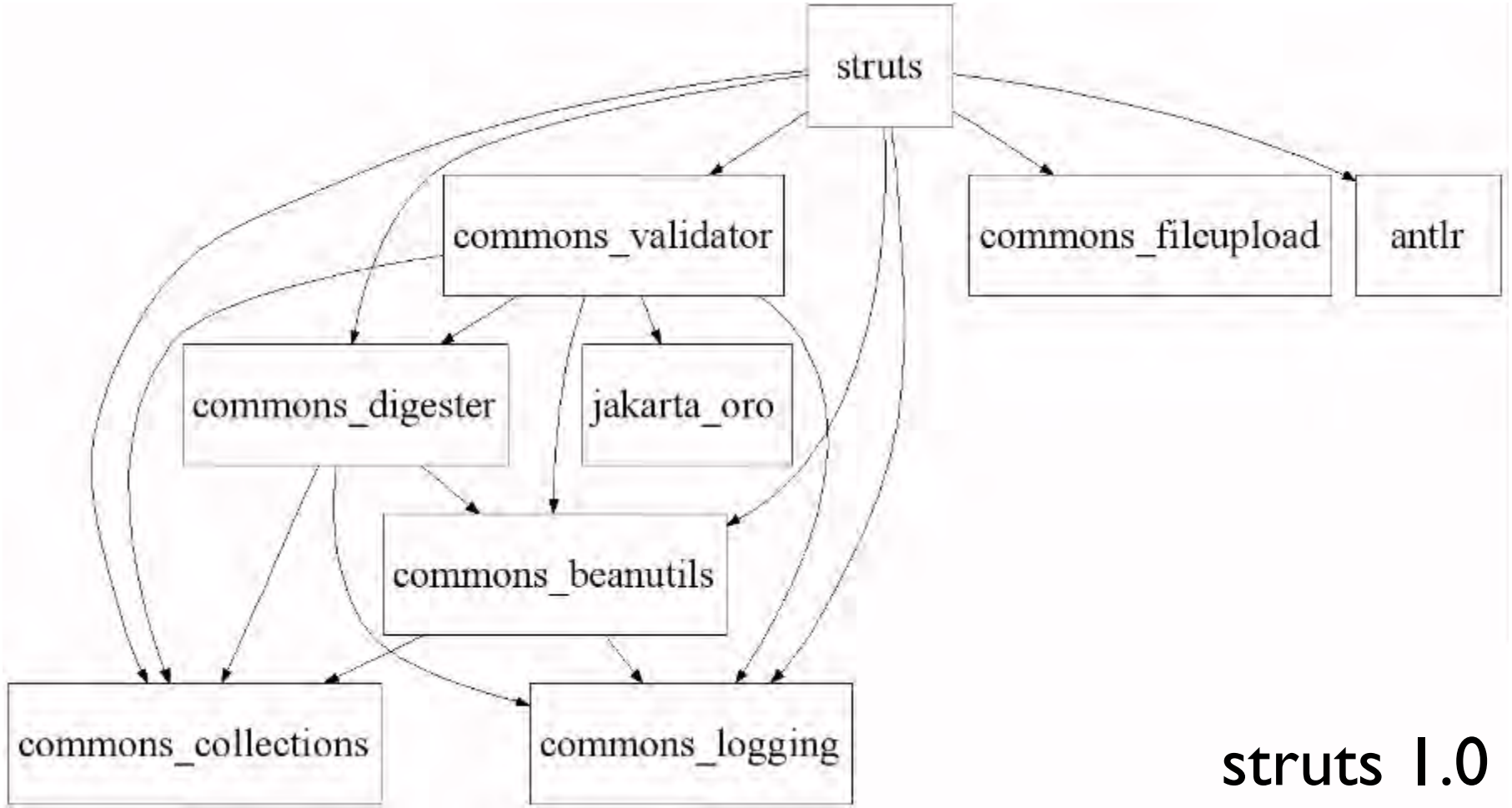
graphical



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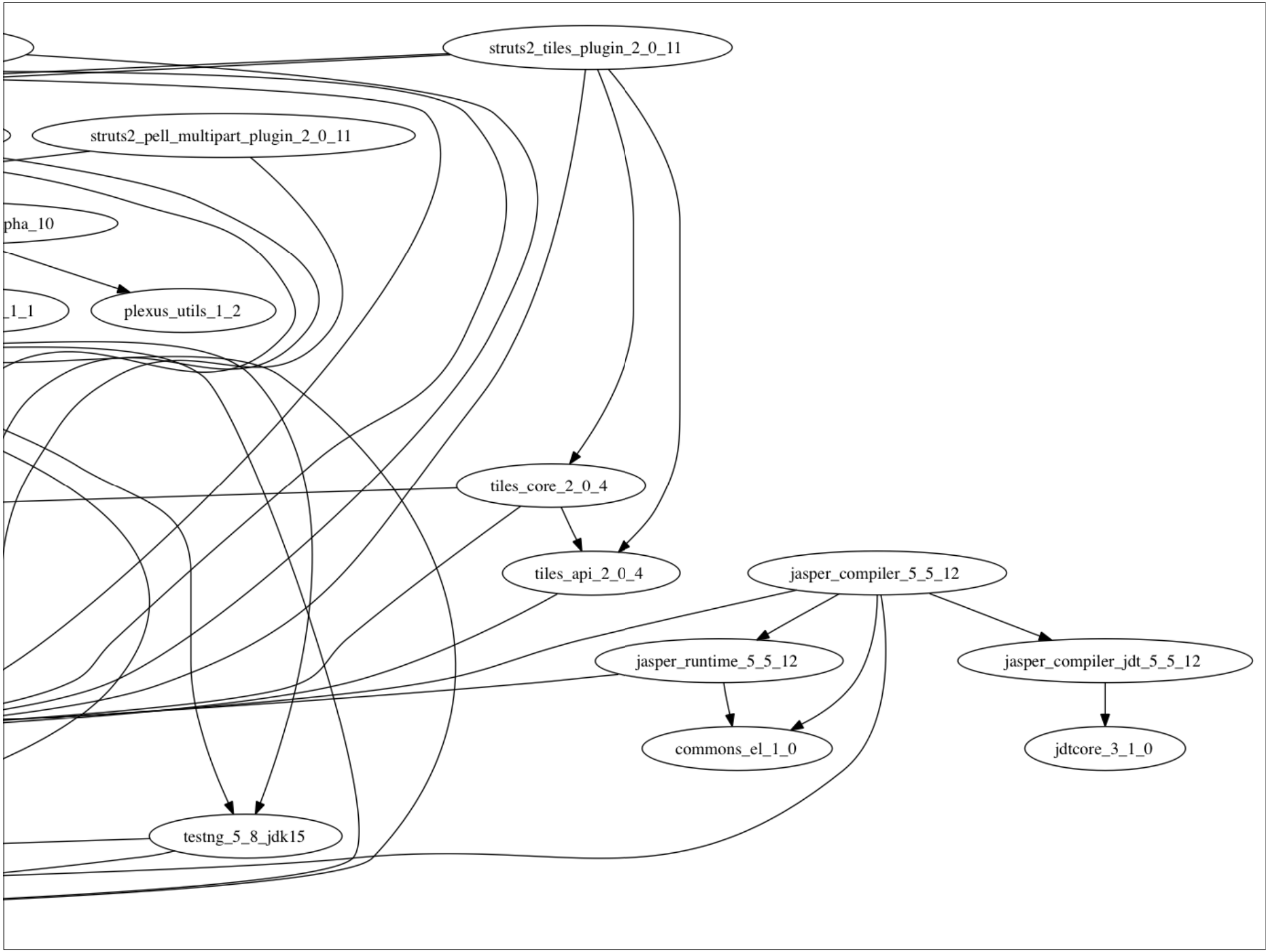
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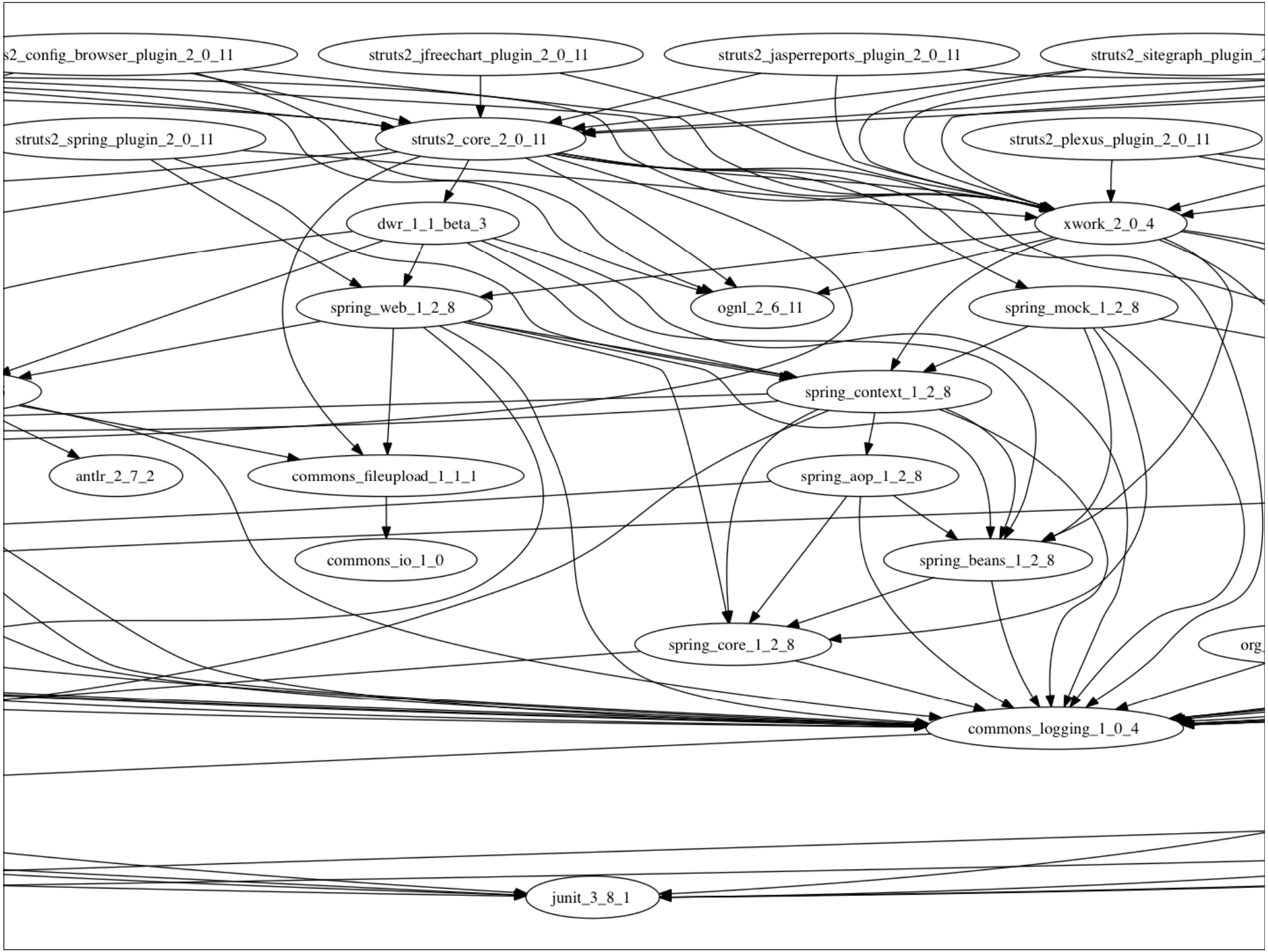
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looking for...

not that!

small number of one-way dependencies

no “rats’ nests”

no cycles


Vizant
ant task to create a GraphViz
DOT file from an ant build file
http://vizant.sourceforge.net/

ant 1.5


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jars
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log4j


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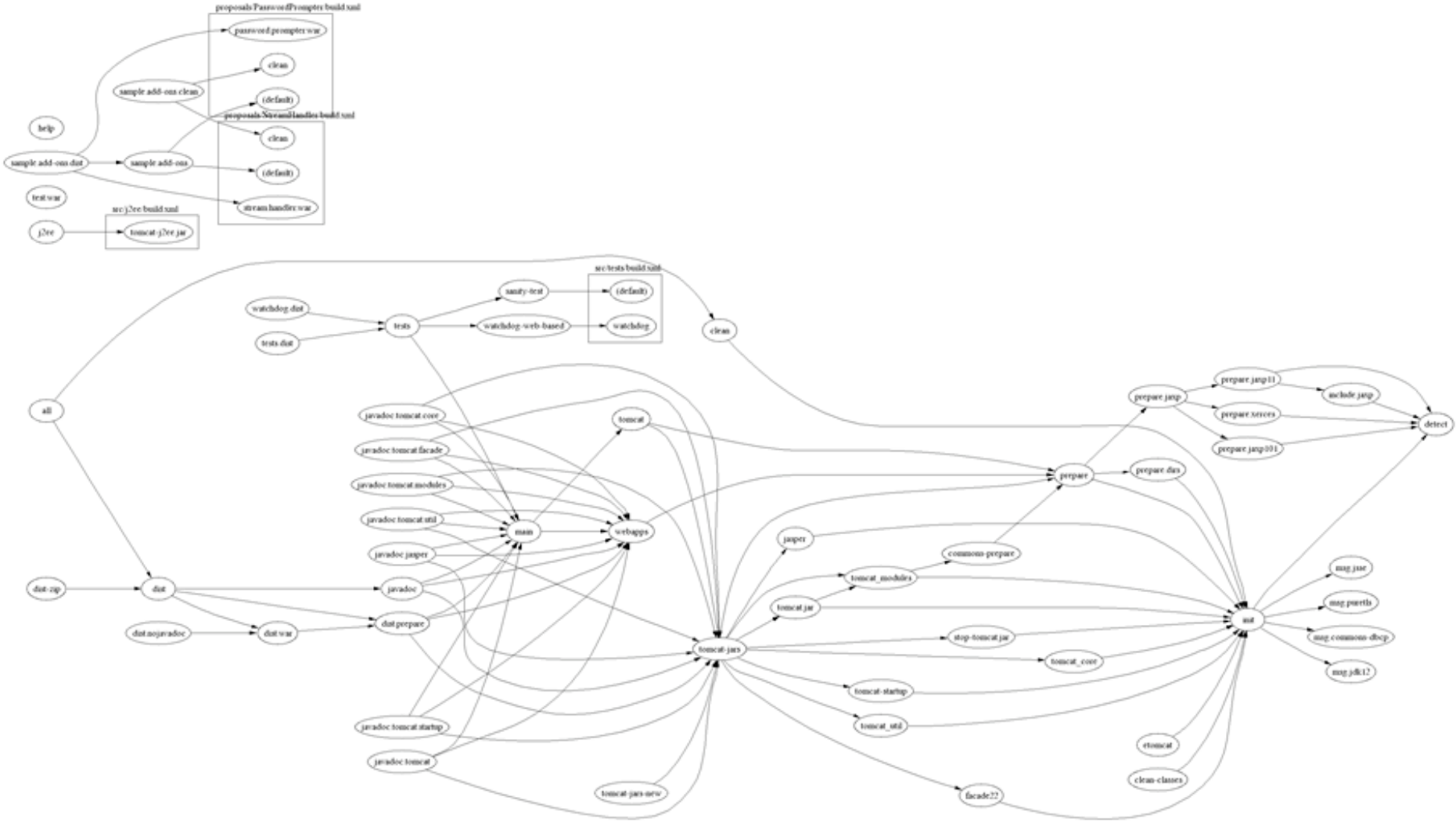
tomcat 3.3.1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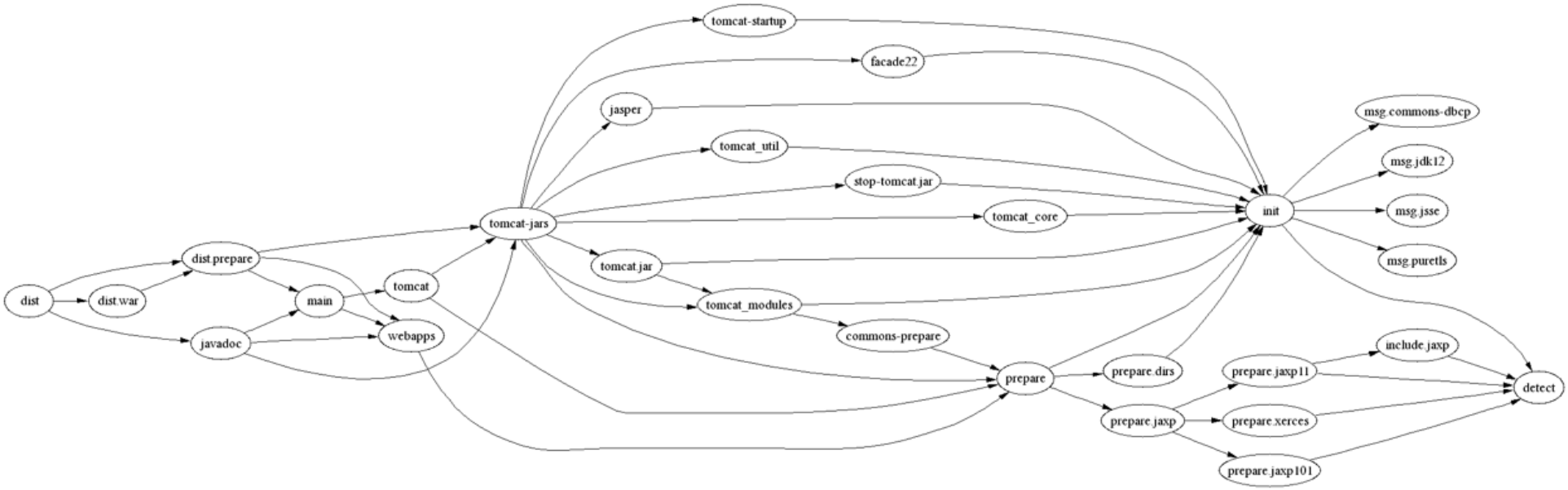
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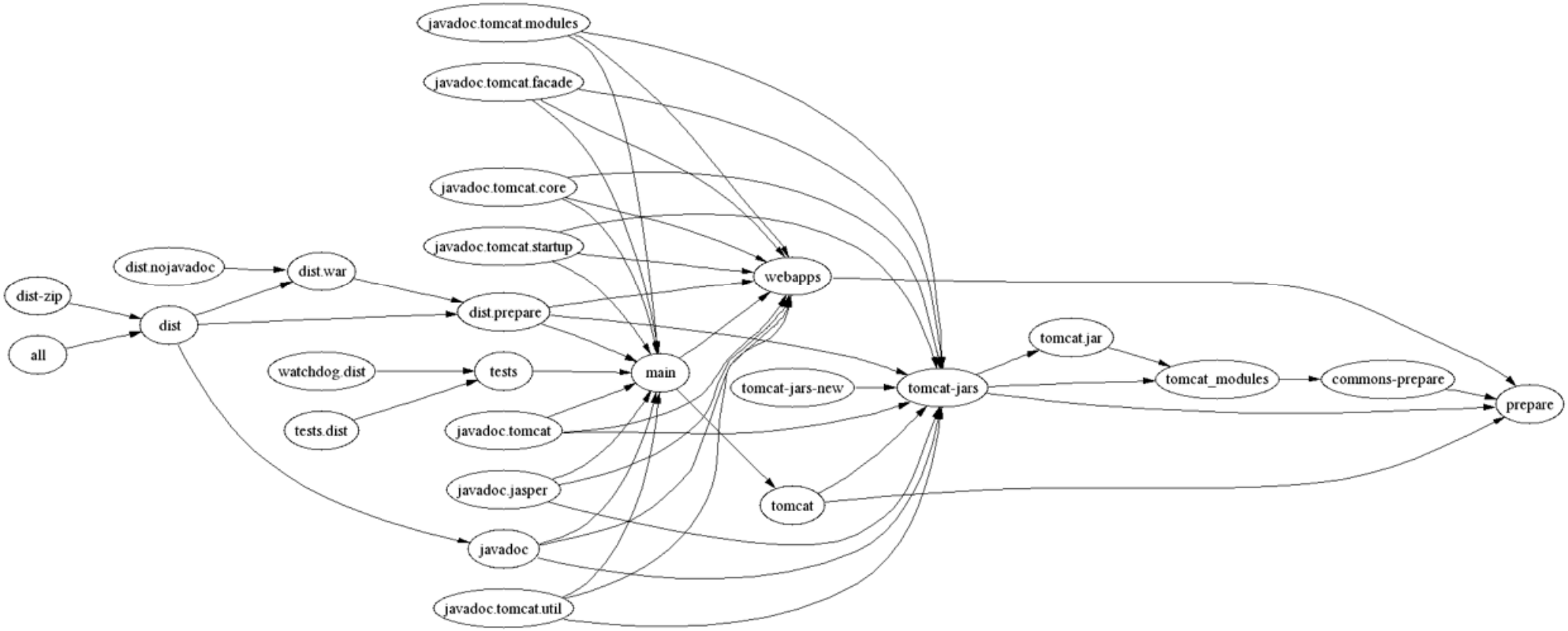
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look for...

hot spots

more even distribution

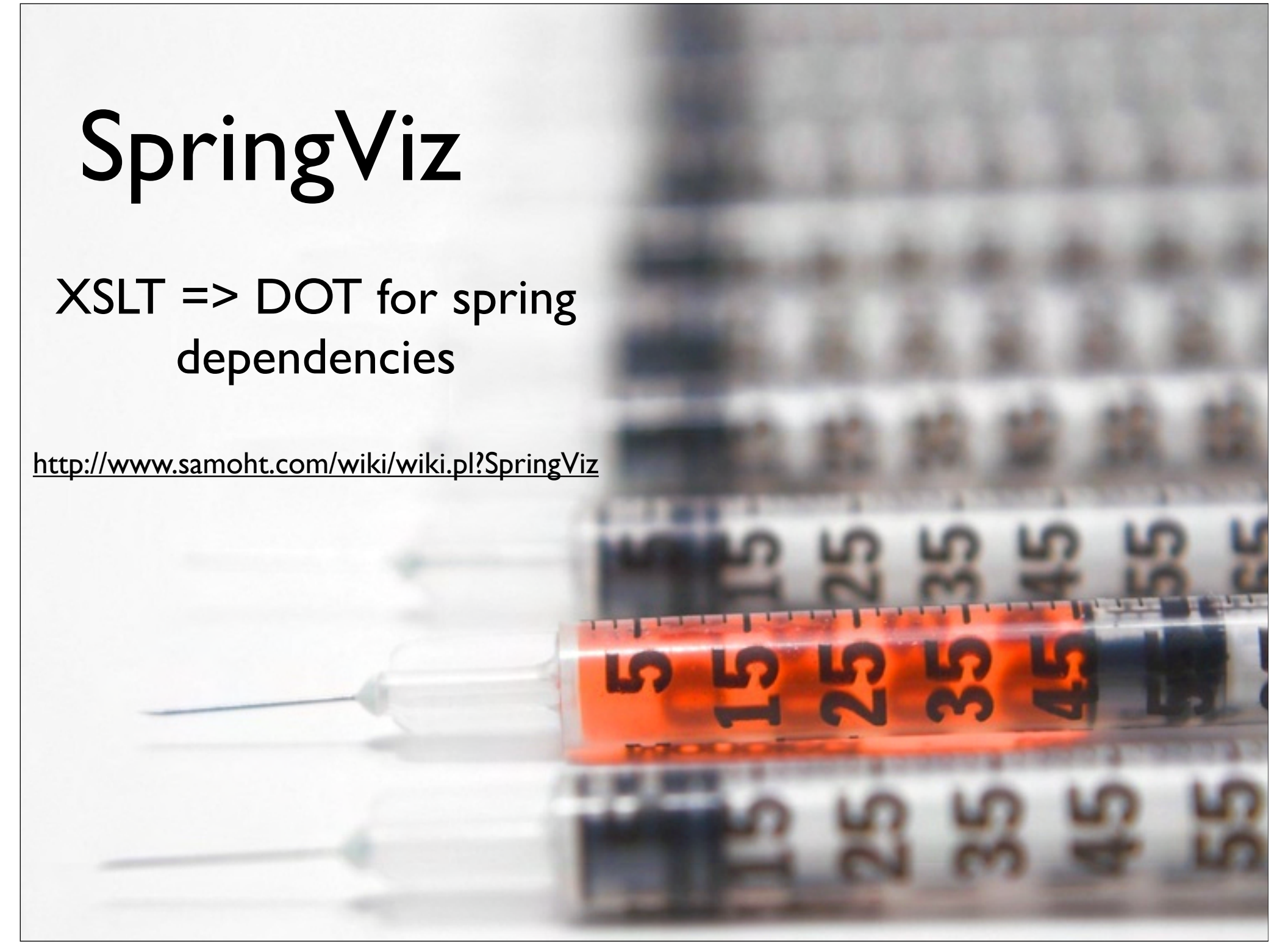
networks around common dependent elements

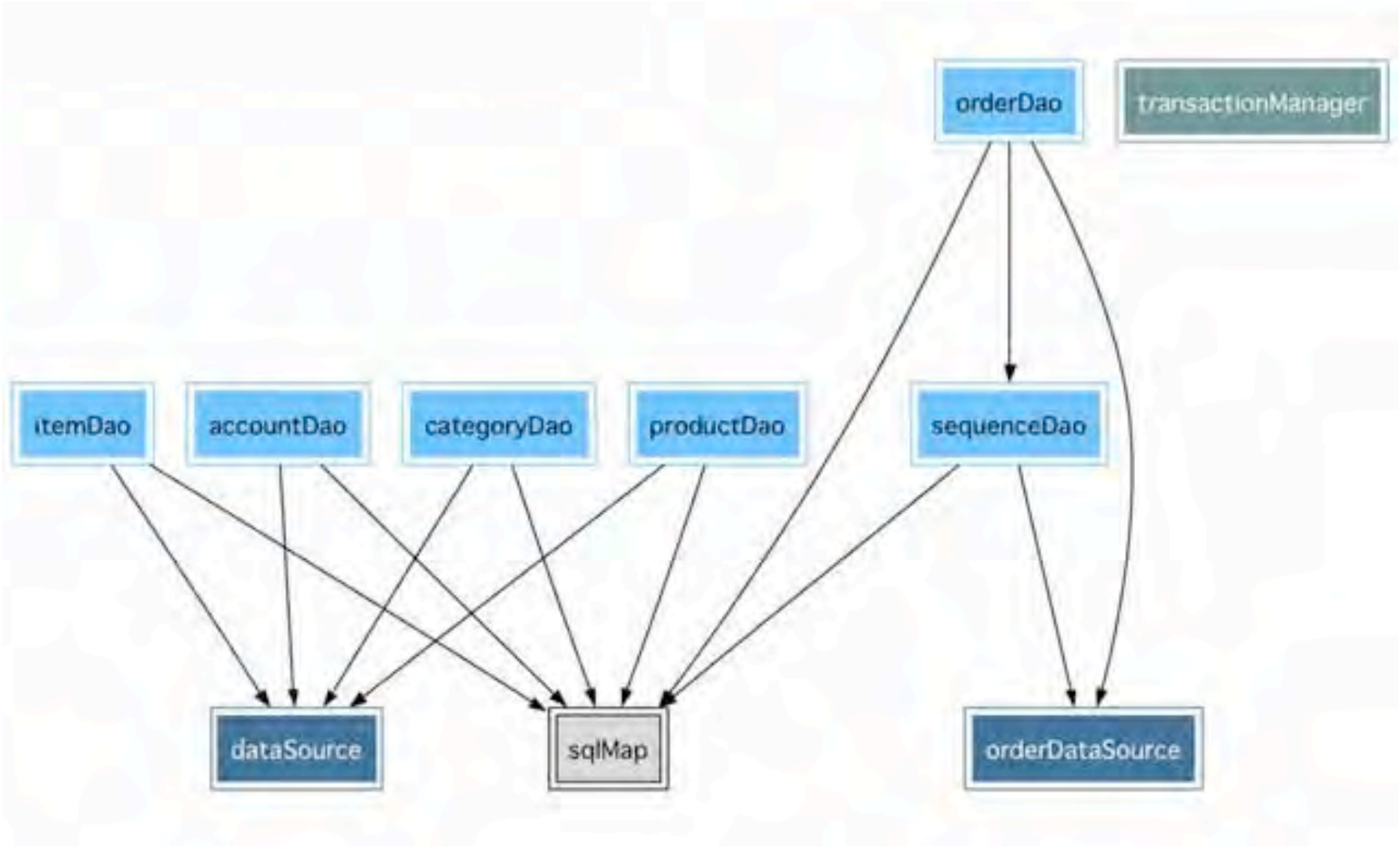
think about extracting
via macrodef

SpringViz

XSLT => DOT for spring dependencies

http://www.samoht.com/wiki/wiki.pl?SpringViz

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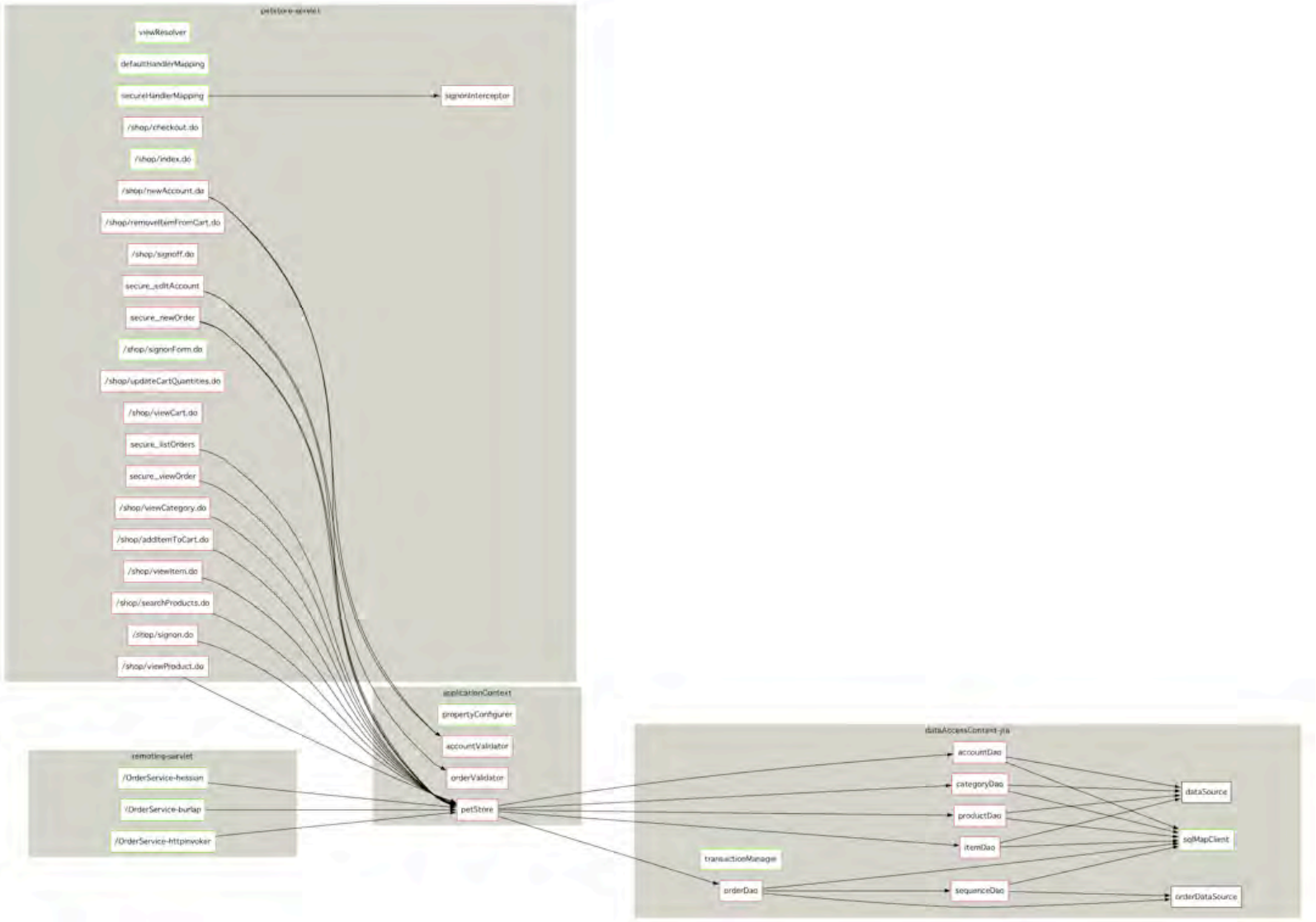
SpringViz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look for...

regularity

symmetry

overloaded dependencies

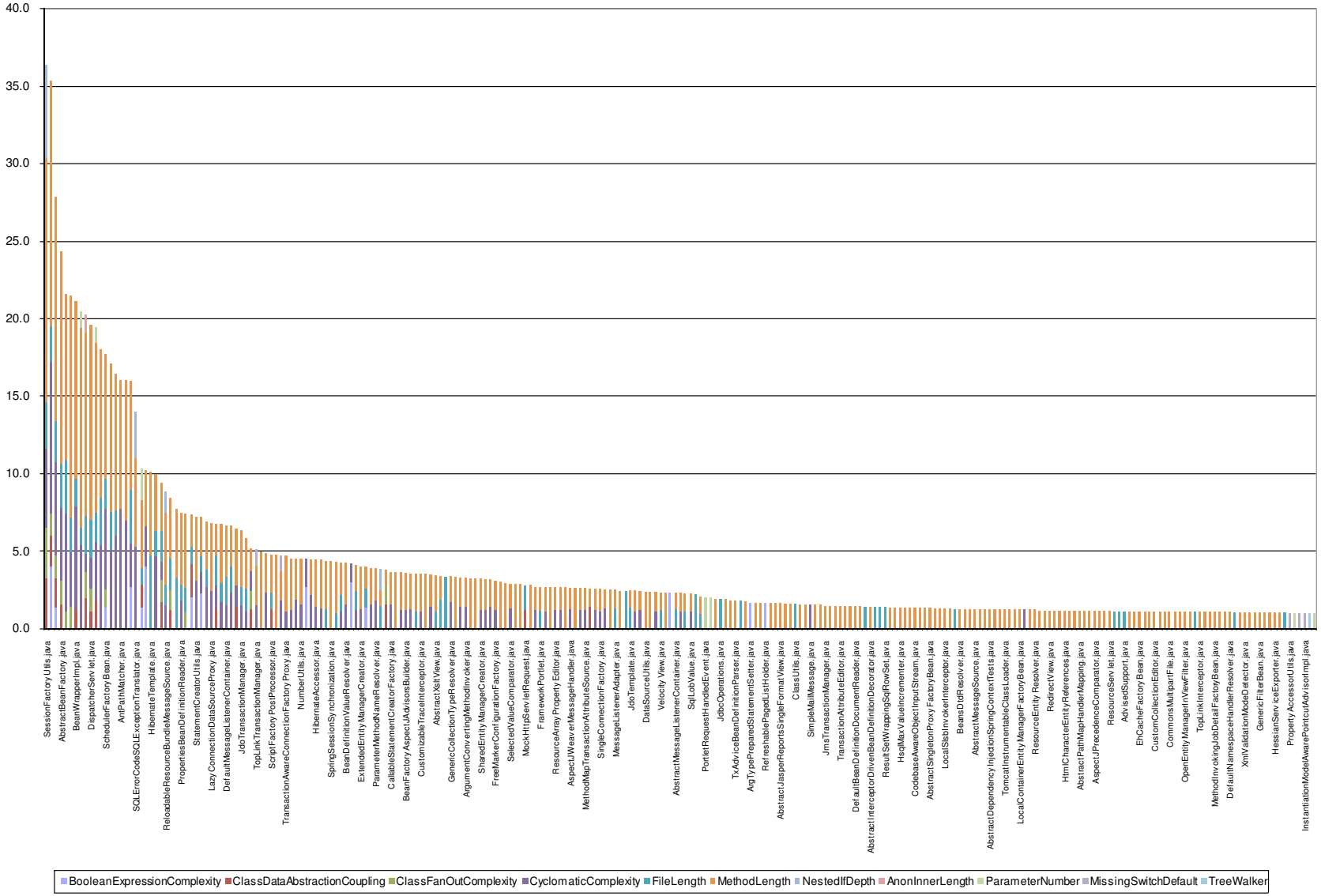
isolated pockets

toxicity chart

provides easy to compare overview of quality

created with checkstyle + excel

toxicity chart



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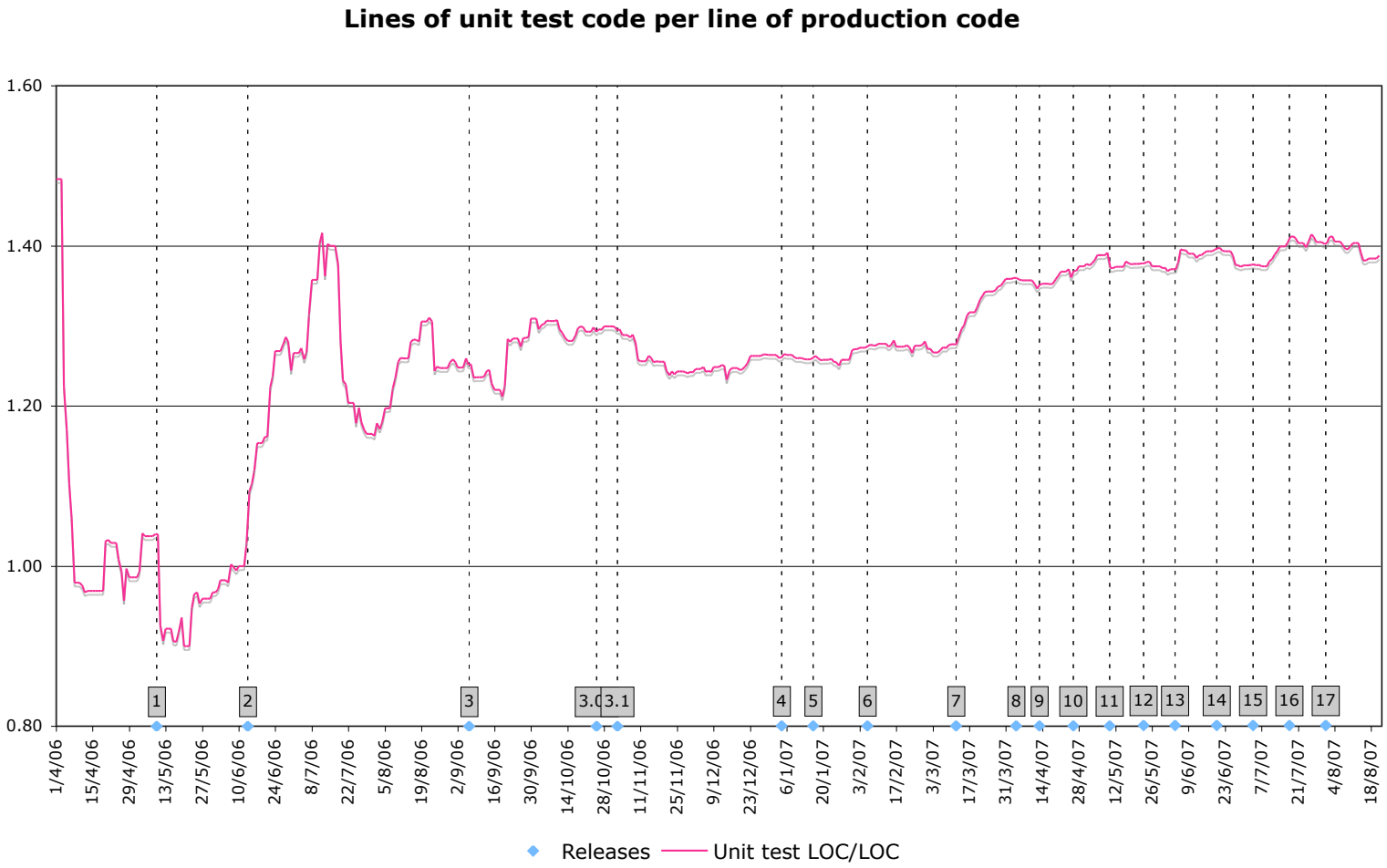

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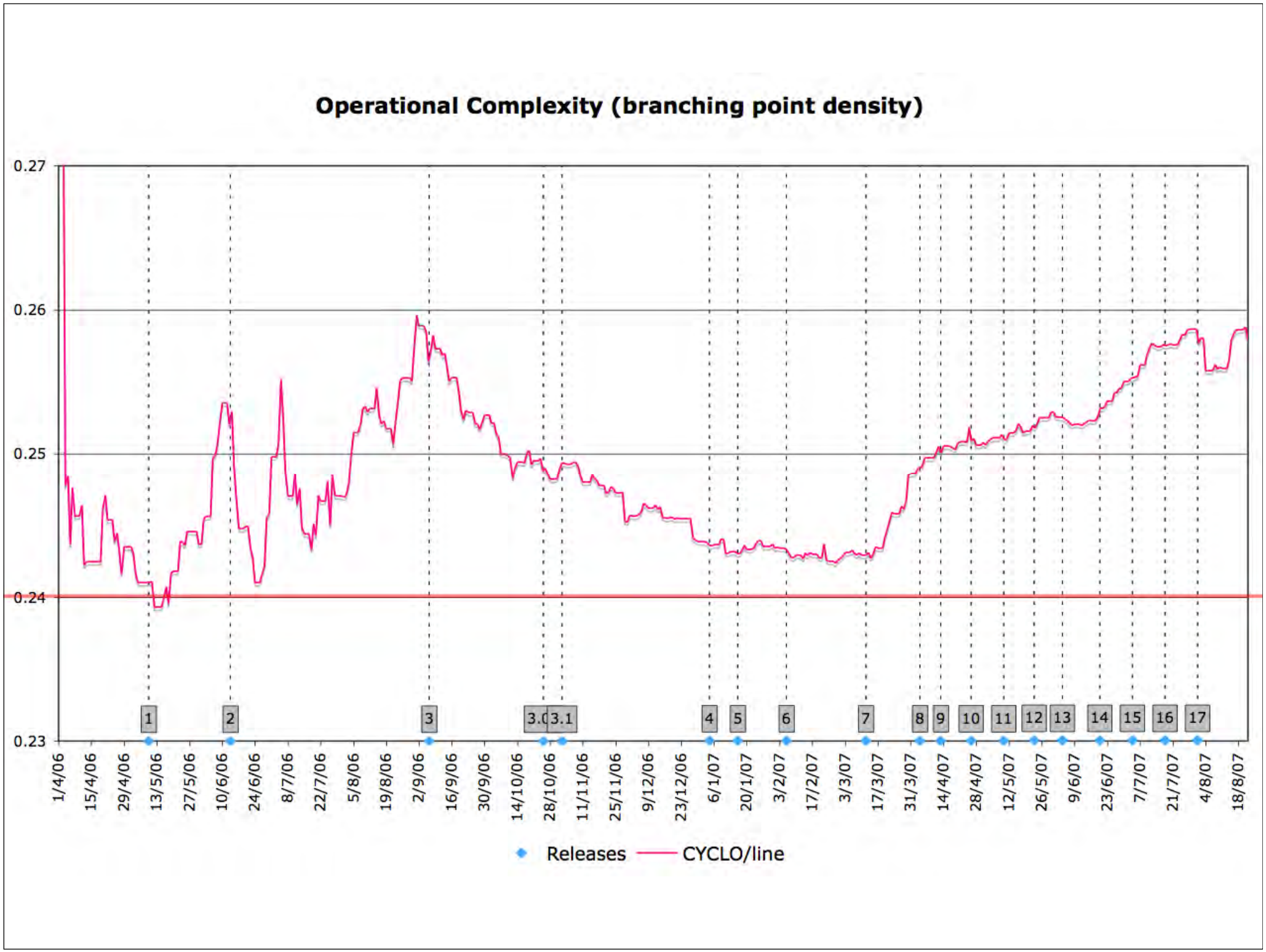
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Releases
CYCLO/line

look for...

notifications along your key dimension

toxicity: high-spikes

test-to-code ratio: higher is better

complexity / loc: trends

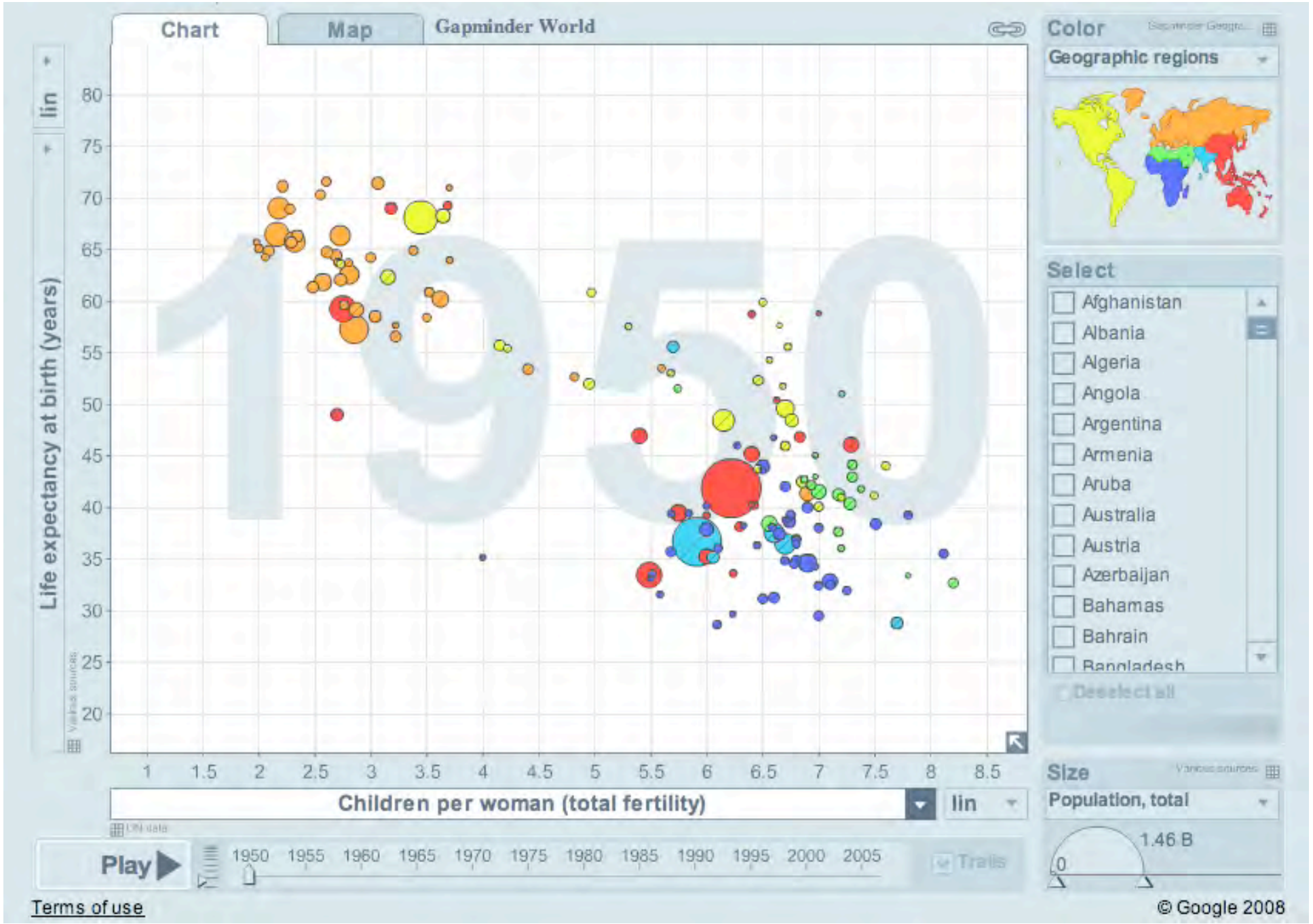
deltas more interesting than raw numbers

"Unveiling the beauty of statistics for a fact based world view."

time-based statistical view of chart data

founded in Stockholm by Ola Rosling, Anna Rosling Rönnlund and Hans Rosling

now realized in the google spreadsheet motion gadget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the data

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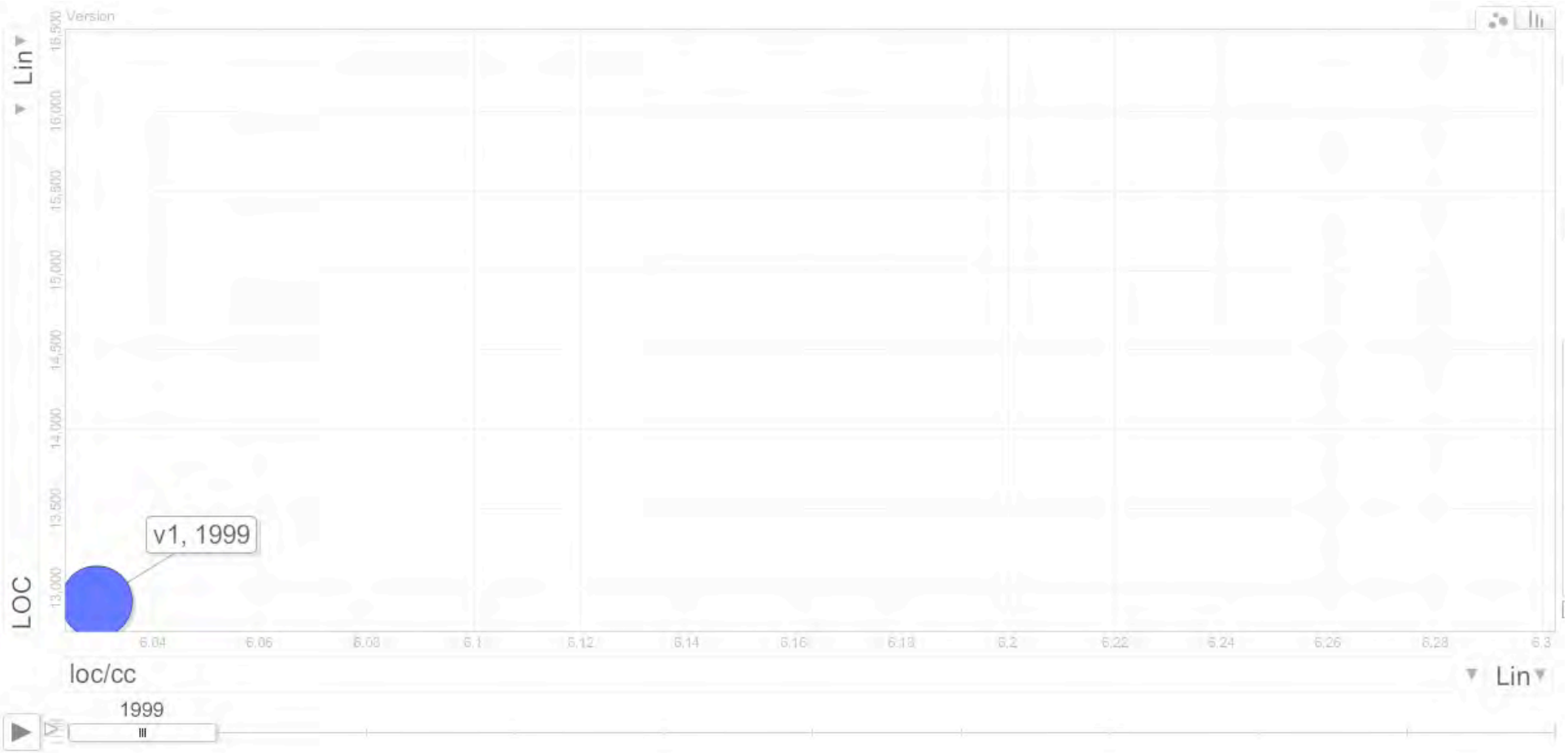
motion chart gadget



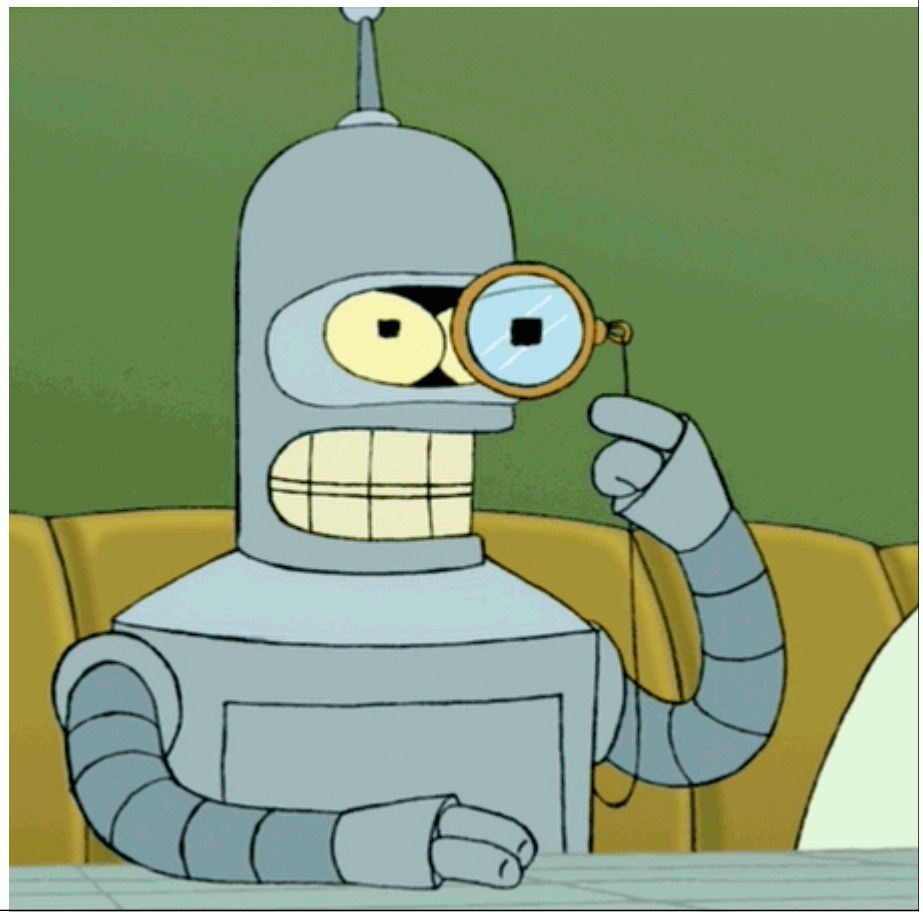
look for...

time-based trends

odd outliers along dimensions

symmetry

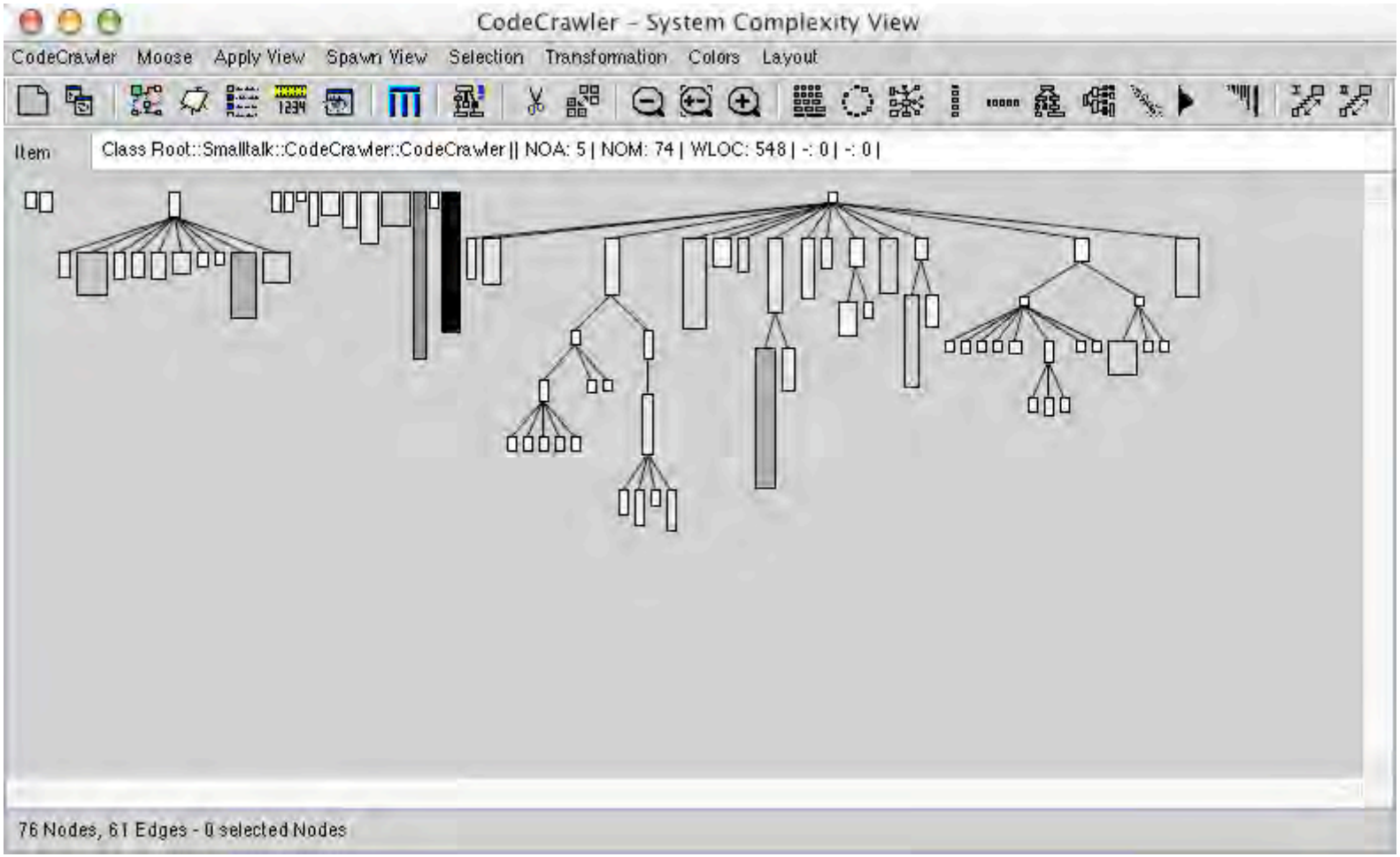
fluidity



CodeCrawler

www.inf.unisi.ch/faculty/lanza/codecrawler.html

CodeCrawler



CodeCrawler

academic graphical metrics tool

language independent

written in VisualAge Smalltalk

based on the Moose platform

quirky but powerful

x-ray

graduate student project written by Jacopo Malnati (http://atelier.inf.unisi.ch/~malnatij/xray.php)

open-source software visualization plug-in for eclipse

provides system complexity view, class & package dependency view

model of the underlying Java project can be triggered and used by other plug-ins

x-ray visualizing itself through via system complexity view

using x-ray

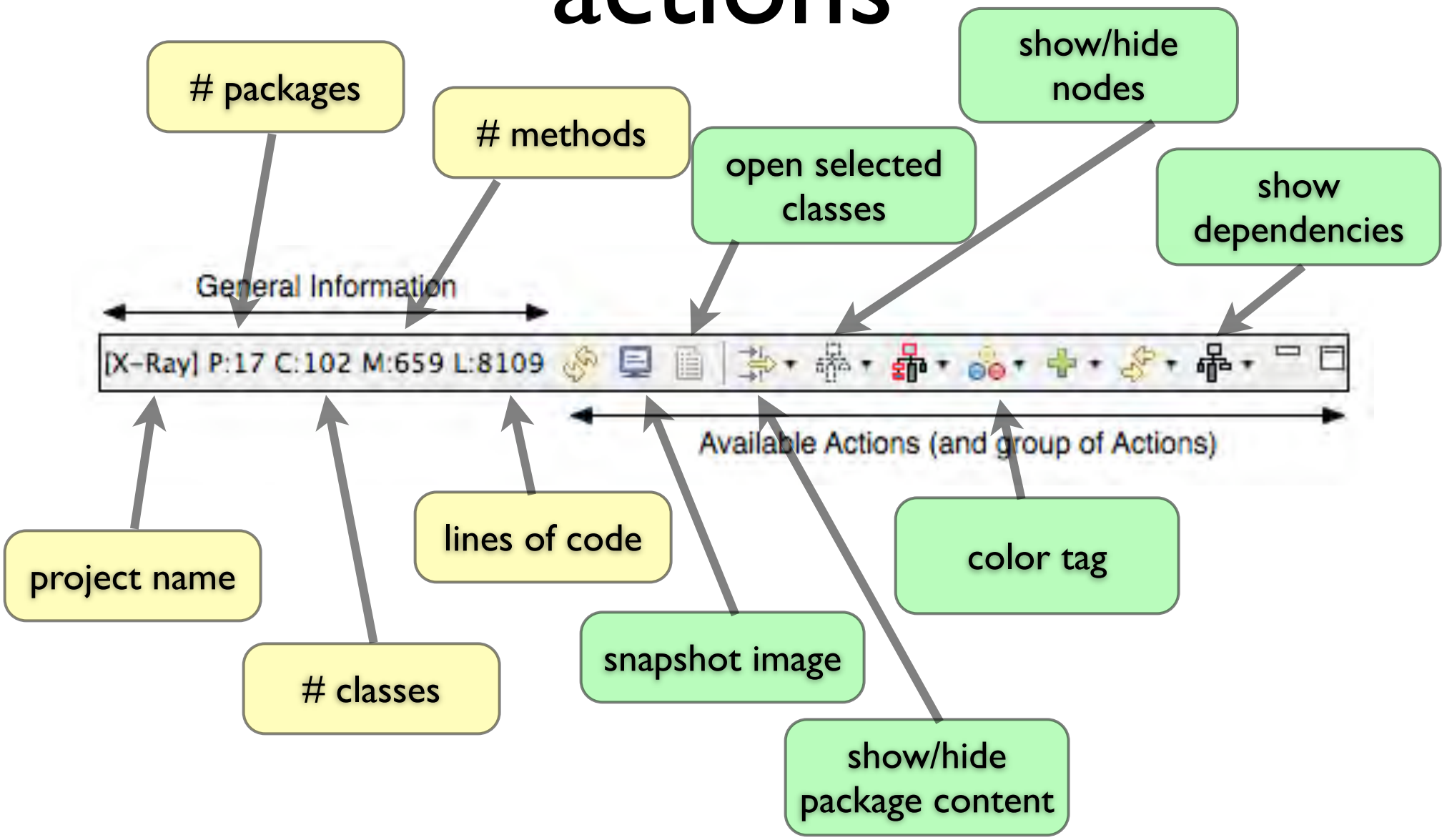
install the plug-in

choose the Analyze Current Project action
from the package explorer

x-ray creates *textual information* and *actions*

visualizations characterized by entities
positioned according to layouts and criterions

actions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methods
show/hide nodes
open selected classes
show dependencies
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Available Actions (and group of Actions)
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snapshot image
show/hide package content
color tag

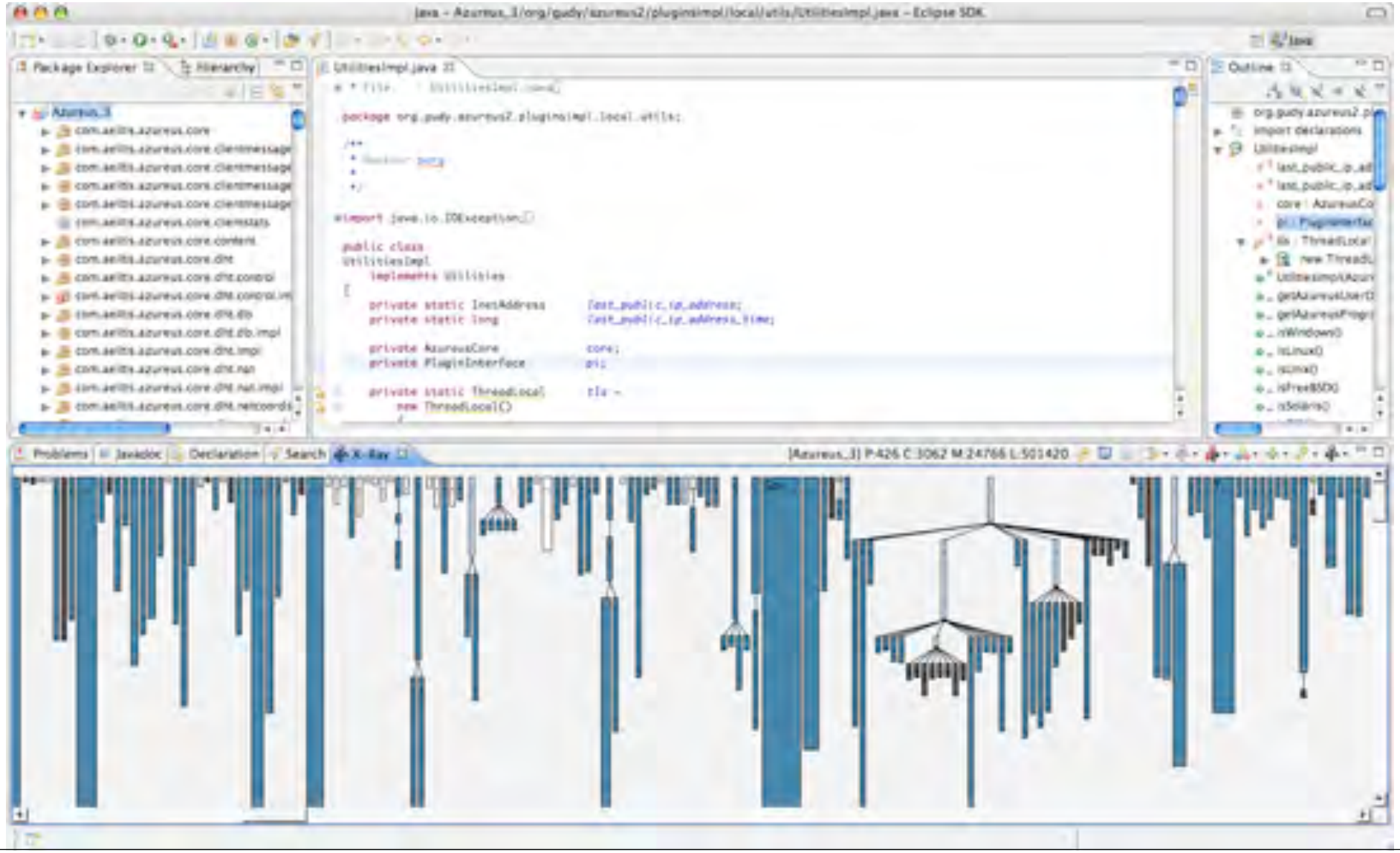
polymetric views

system complexity view

class dependency view

package dependency view

system complexity view



system complexity view

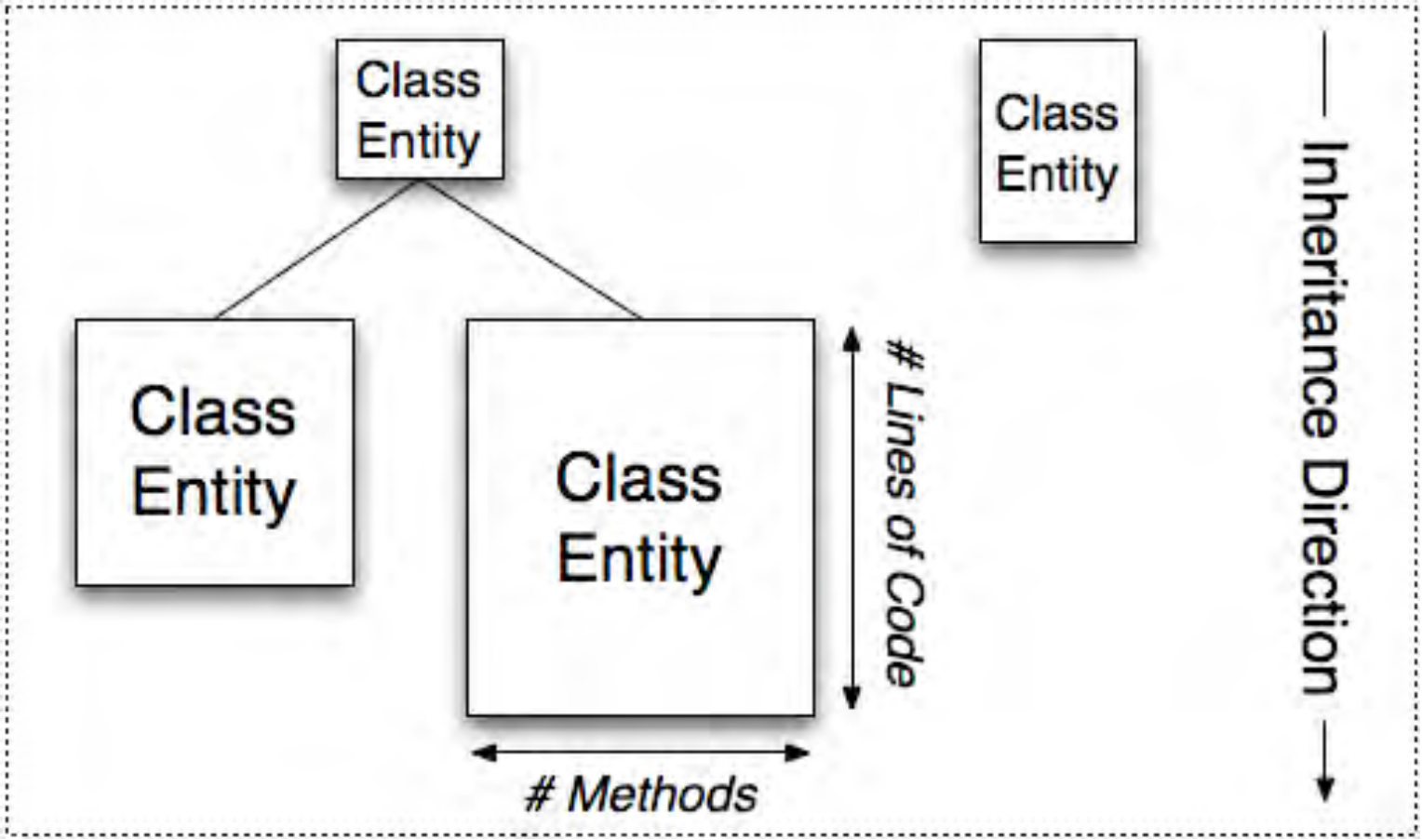
tries to illustrate disharmonies in the design and implementation of a system.

identify big nodes (compared to the others)

anomalies of shape (provided by the inheritance tree)

view provides several different dimensions of metrics

positional metrics



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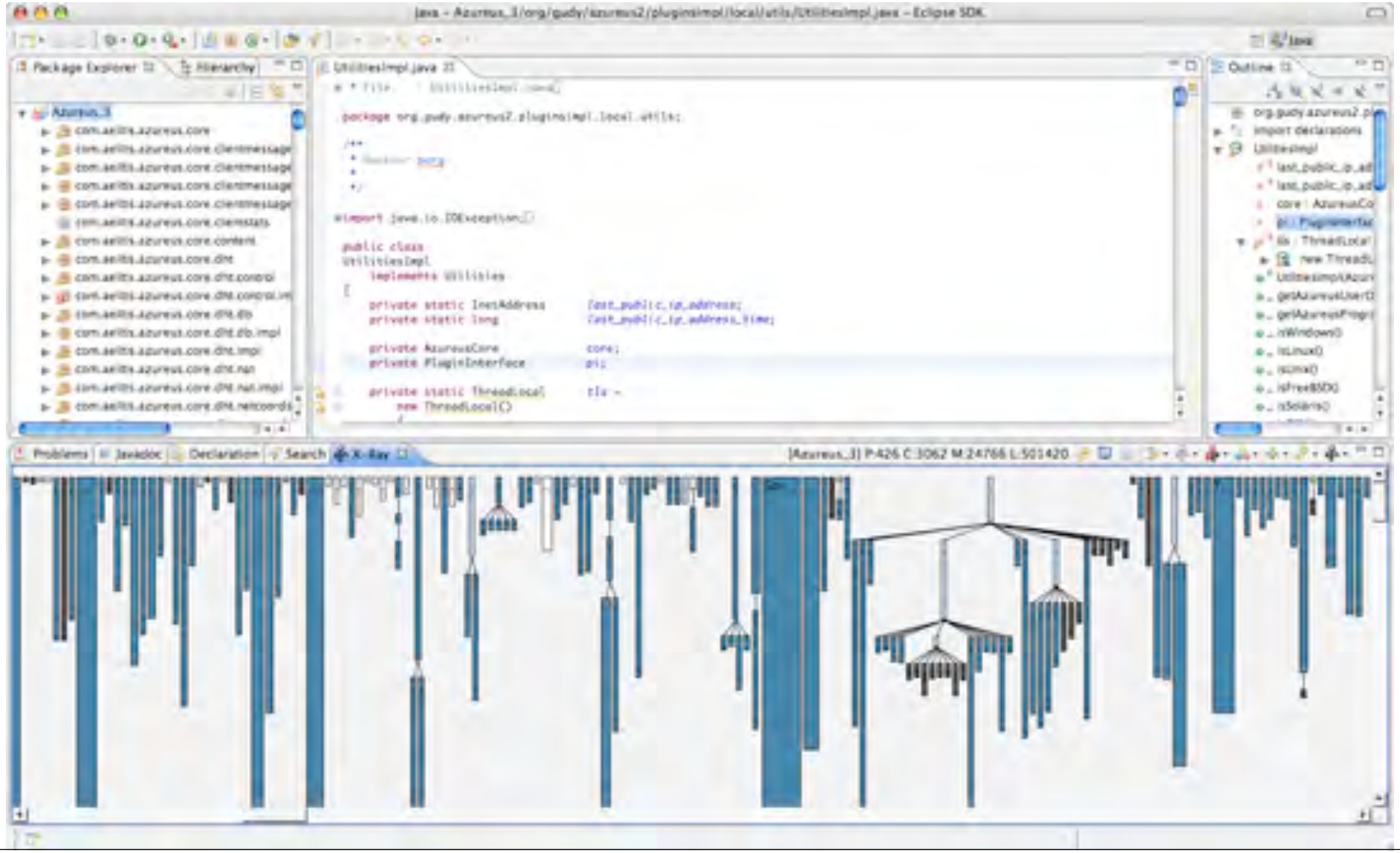
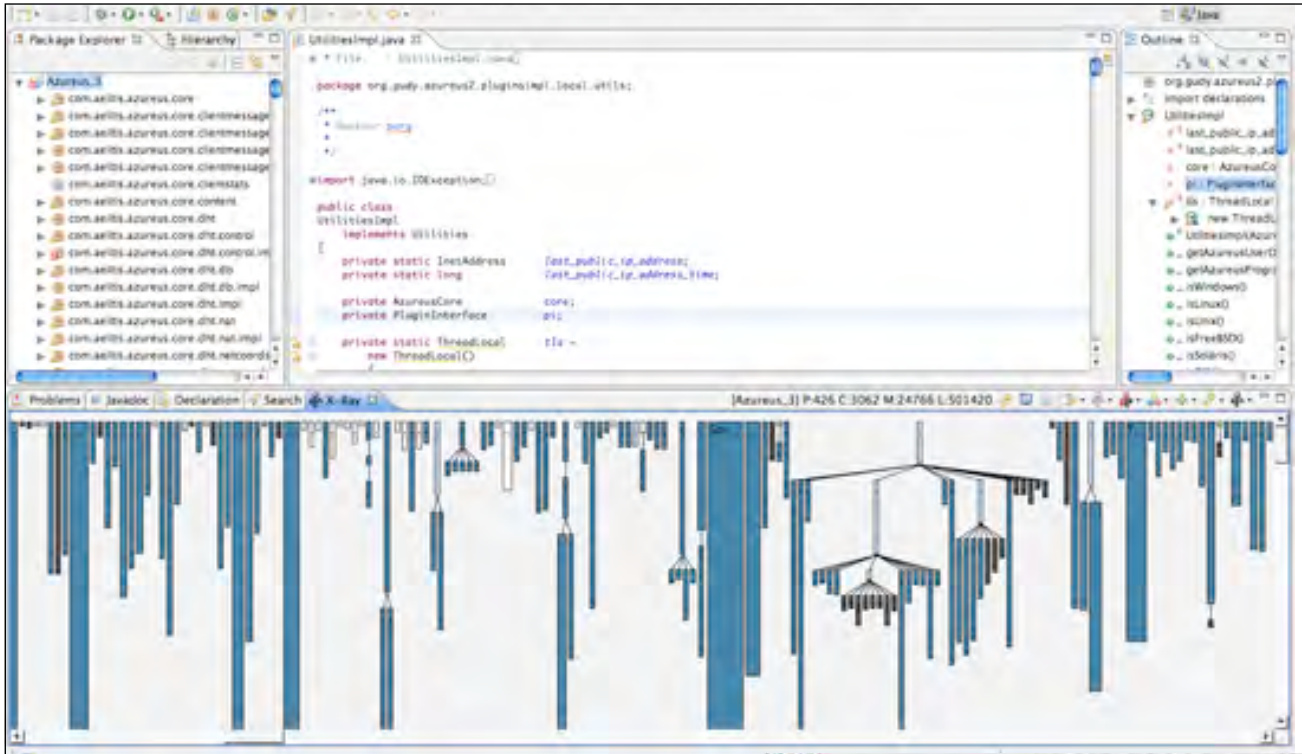


color metrics

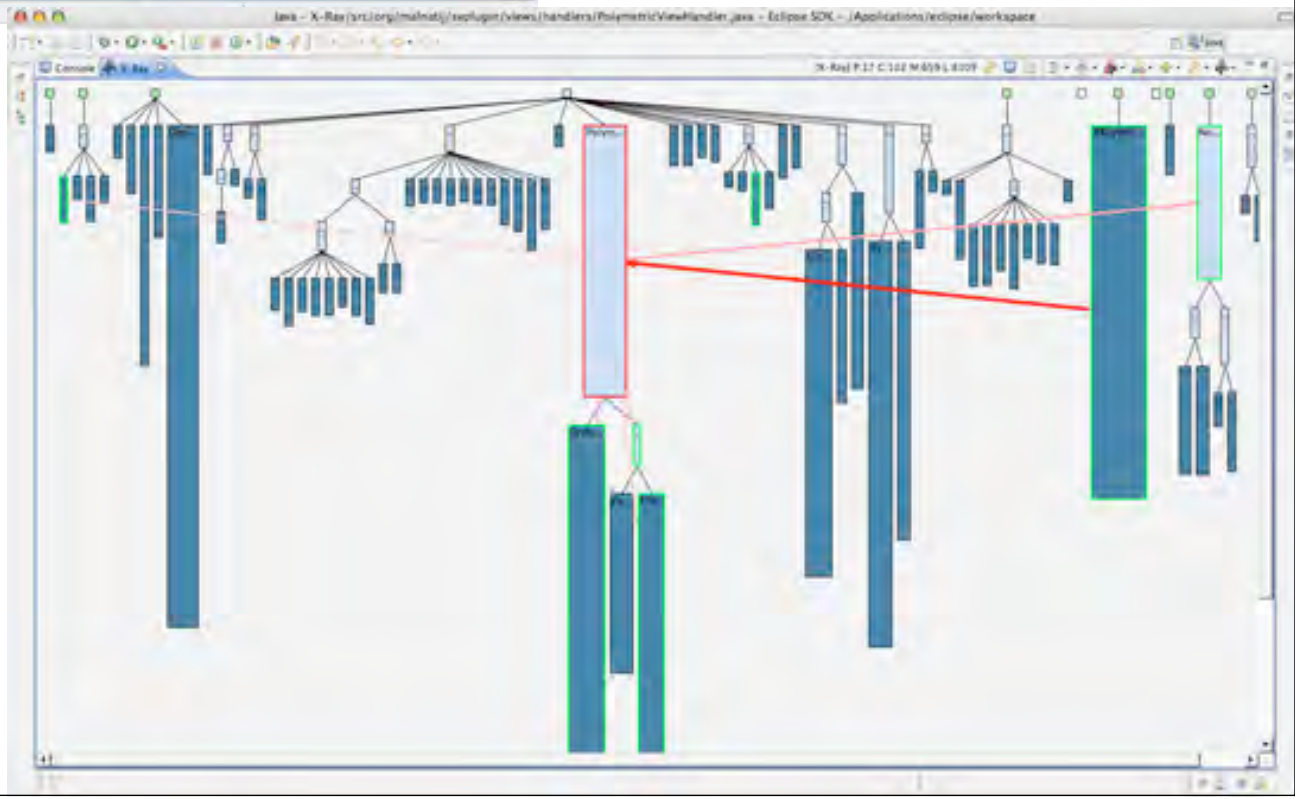
- **Dark Blue** implies a concrete class.
- **Light Blue** implies an abstract class.
- **White** implies an interface.
- **Green** implies an external class. By external class we mean a class that is external to the project, while some internal classes are inheriting from it.
- **Light Gray** implies an abstract inner class.
- **Dark Gray** implies a concrete inner class.

system complexity view



Azureus 3.0
(more than
500,000 lines of
code)

x-ray itself



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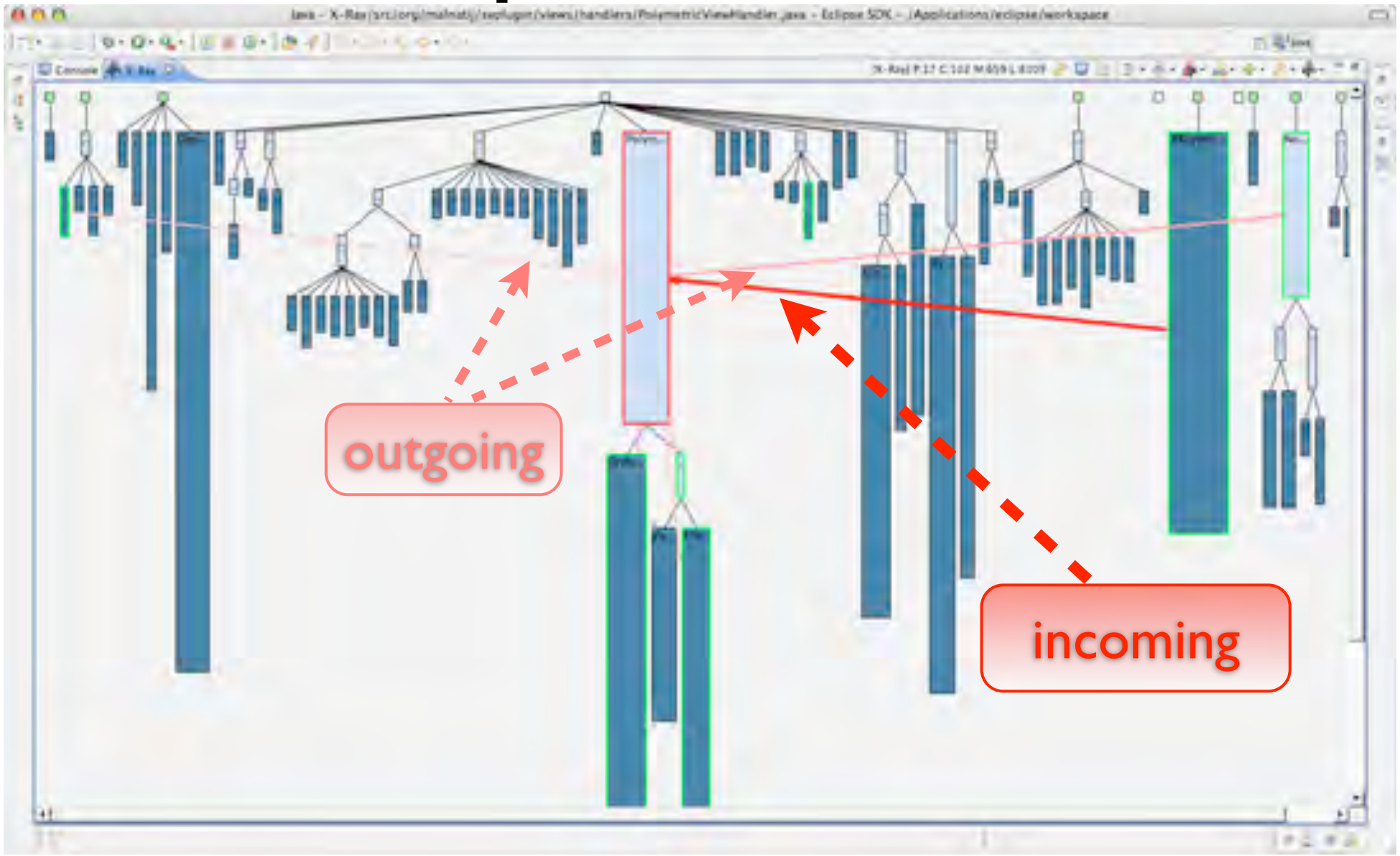
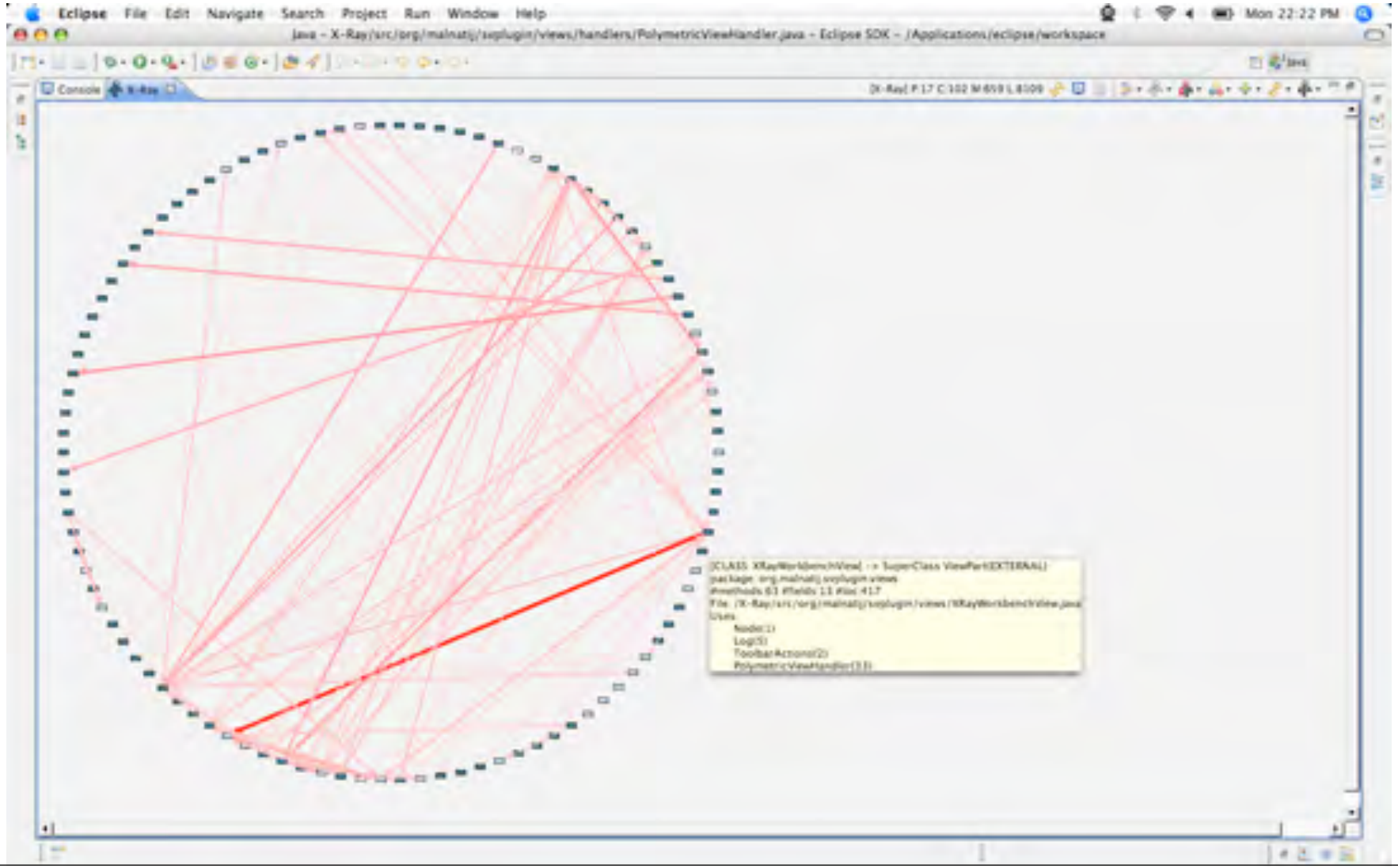
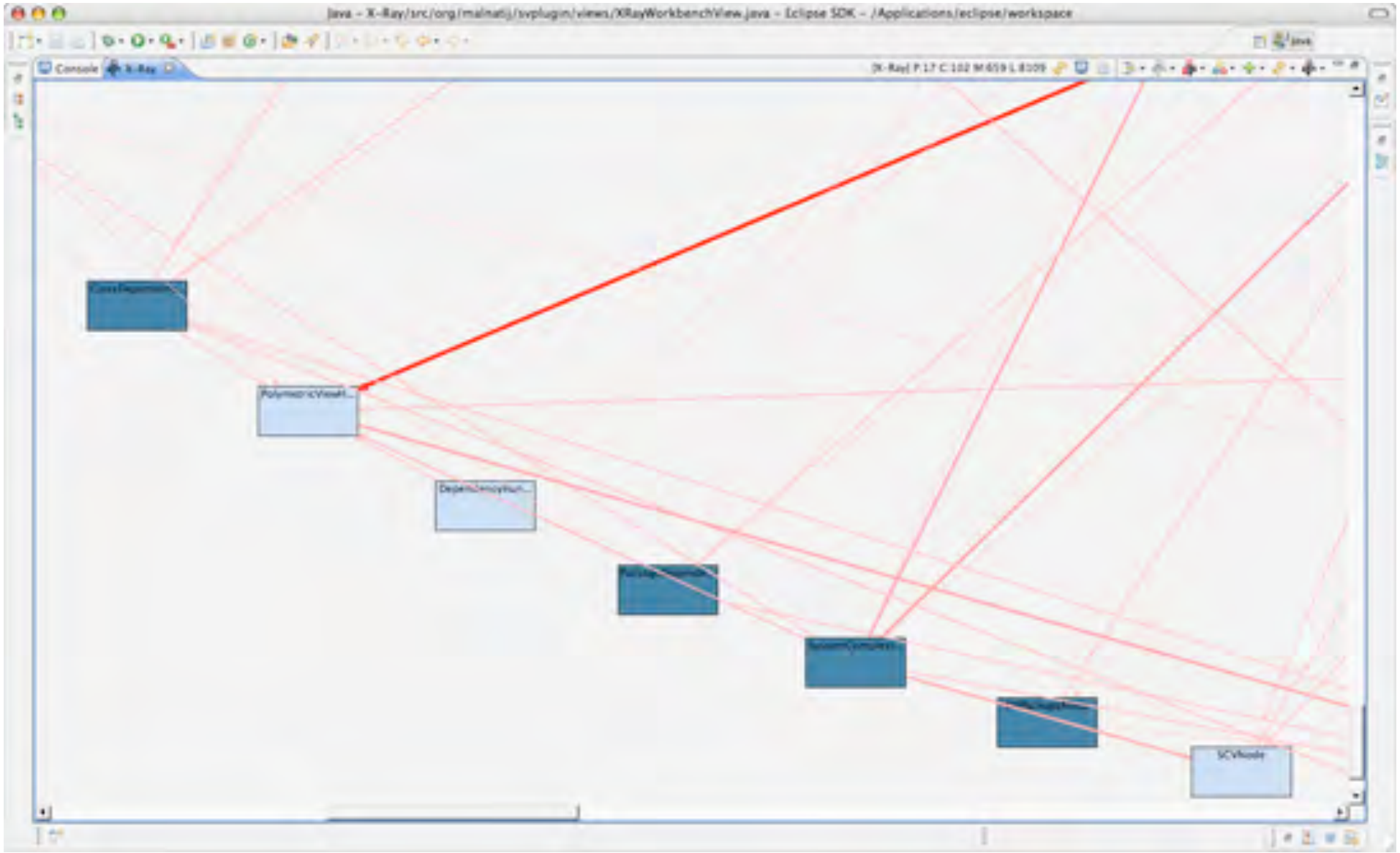


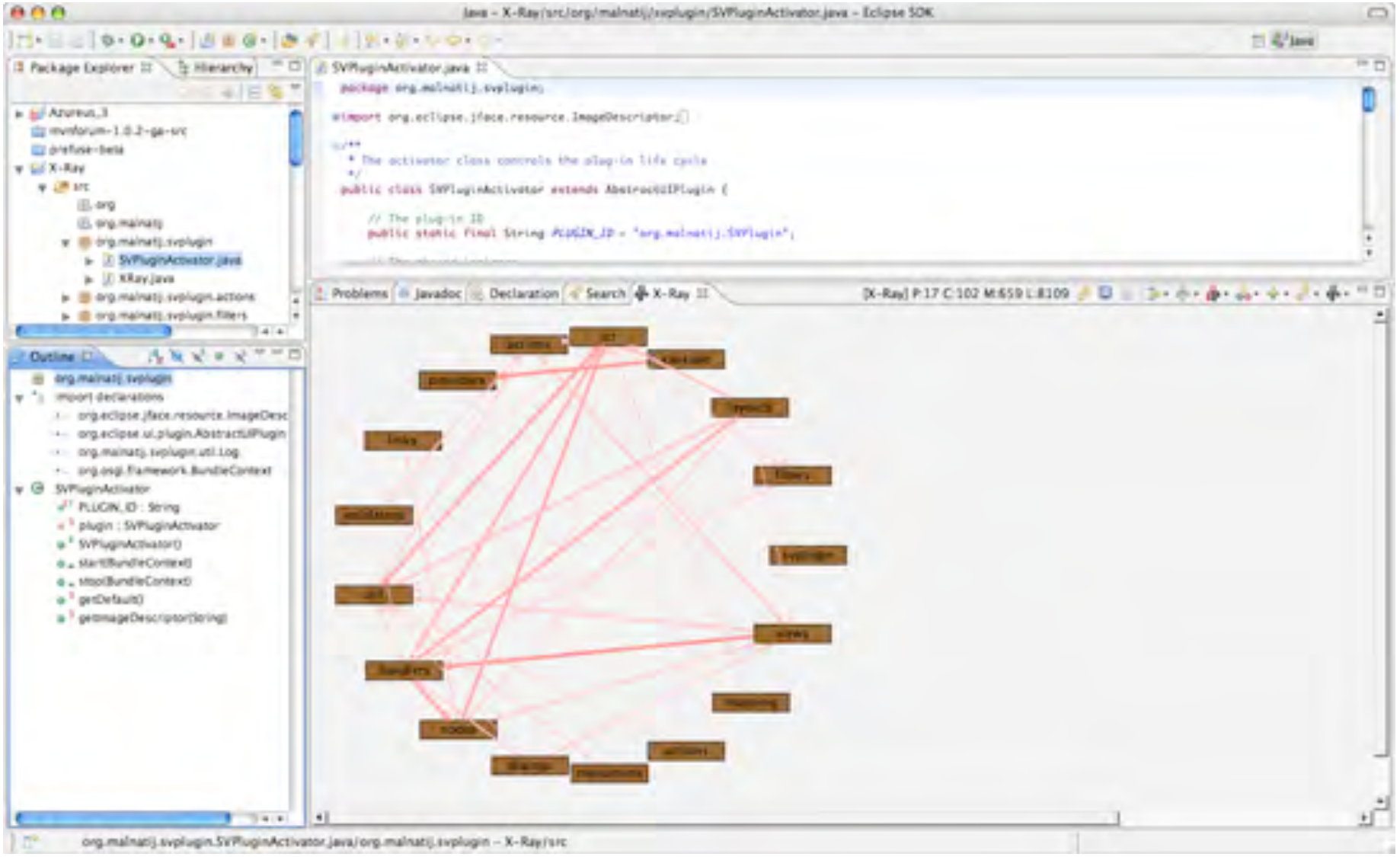
class & package dependency views



class dependency view



package dependency



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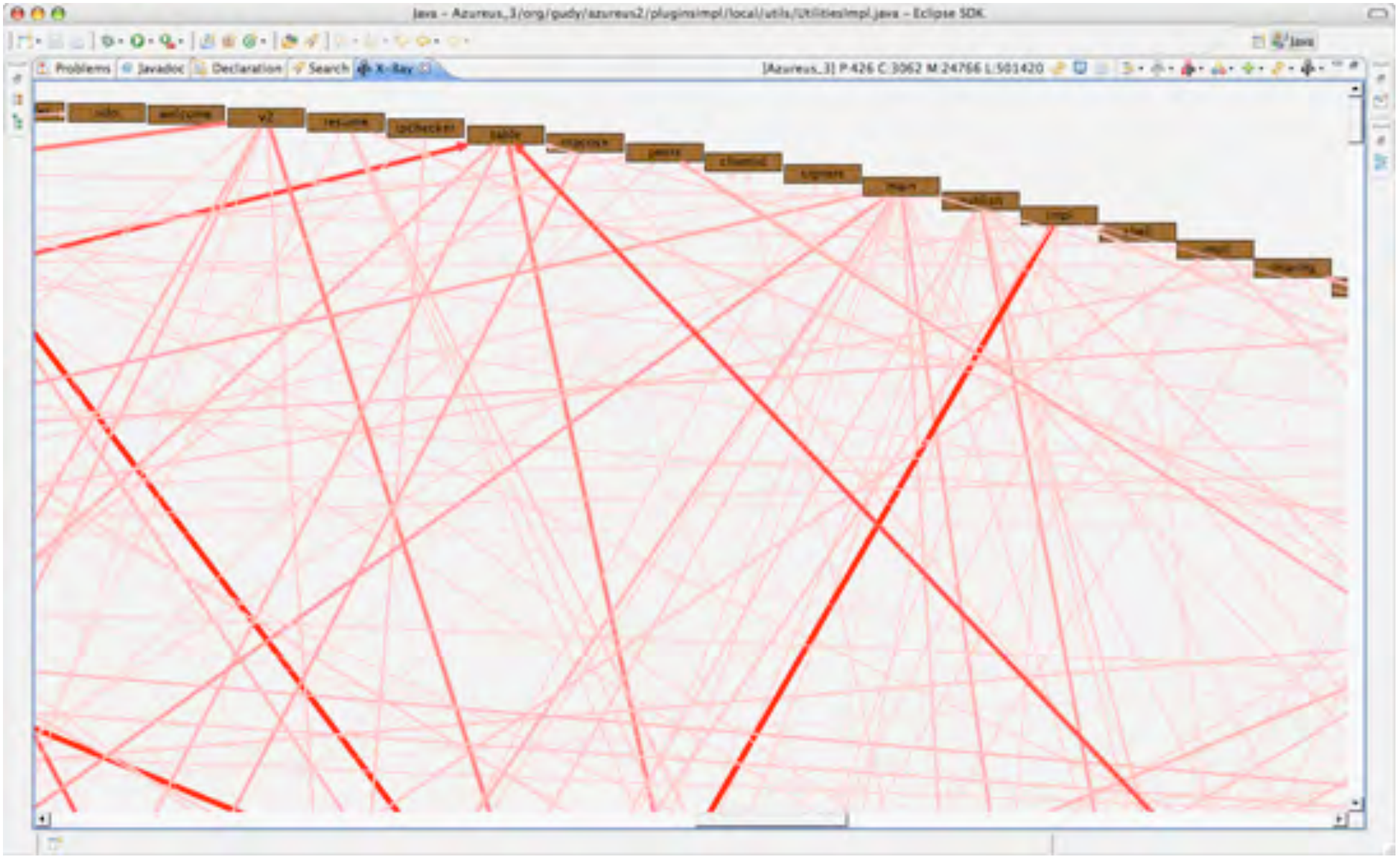

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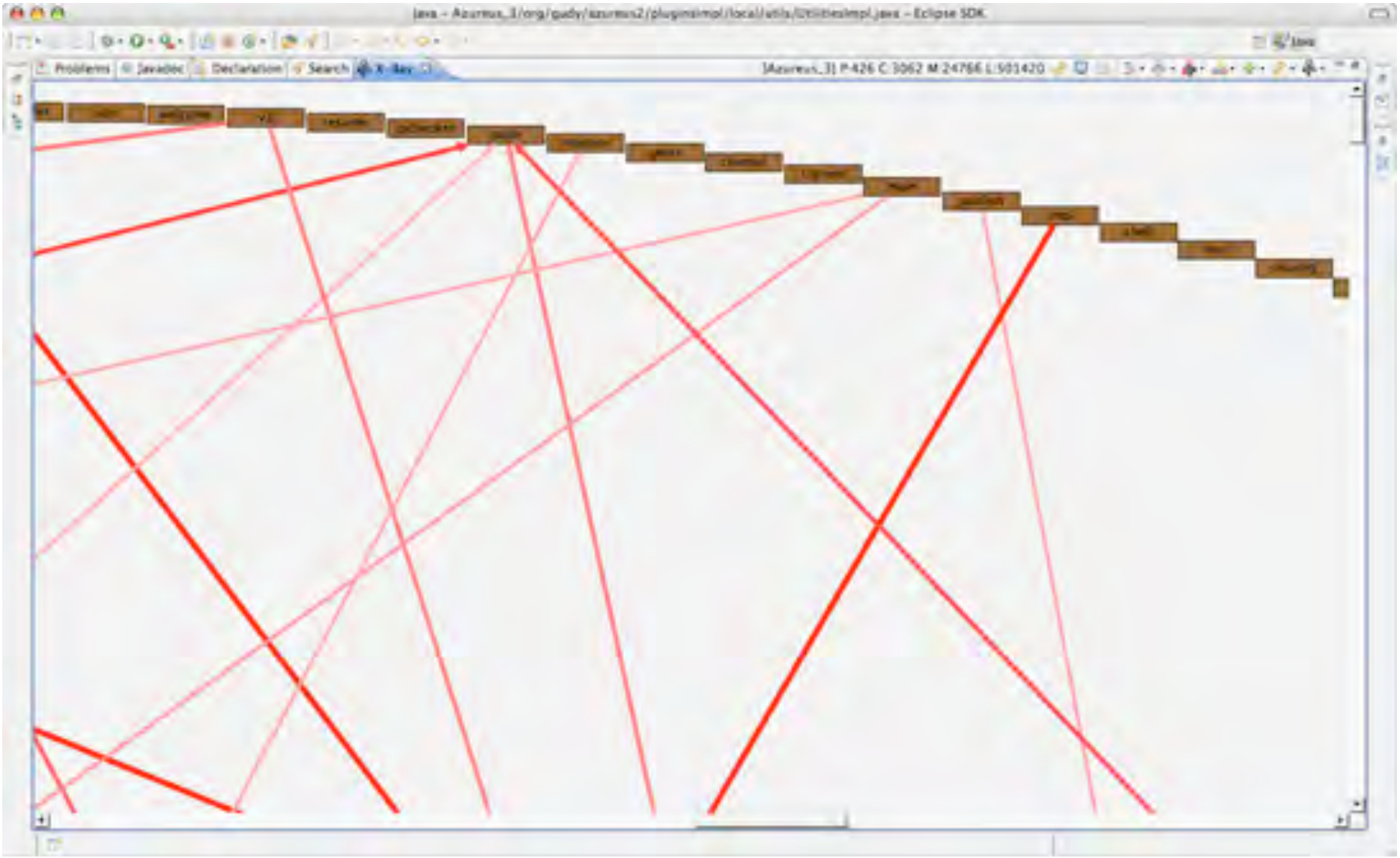
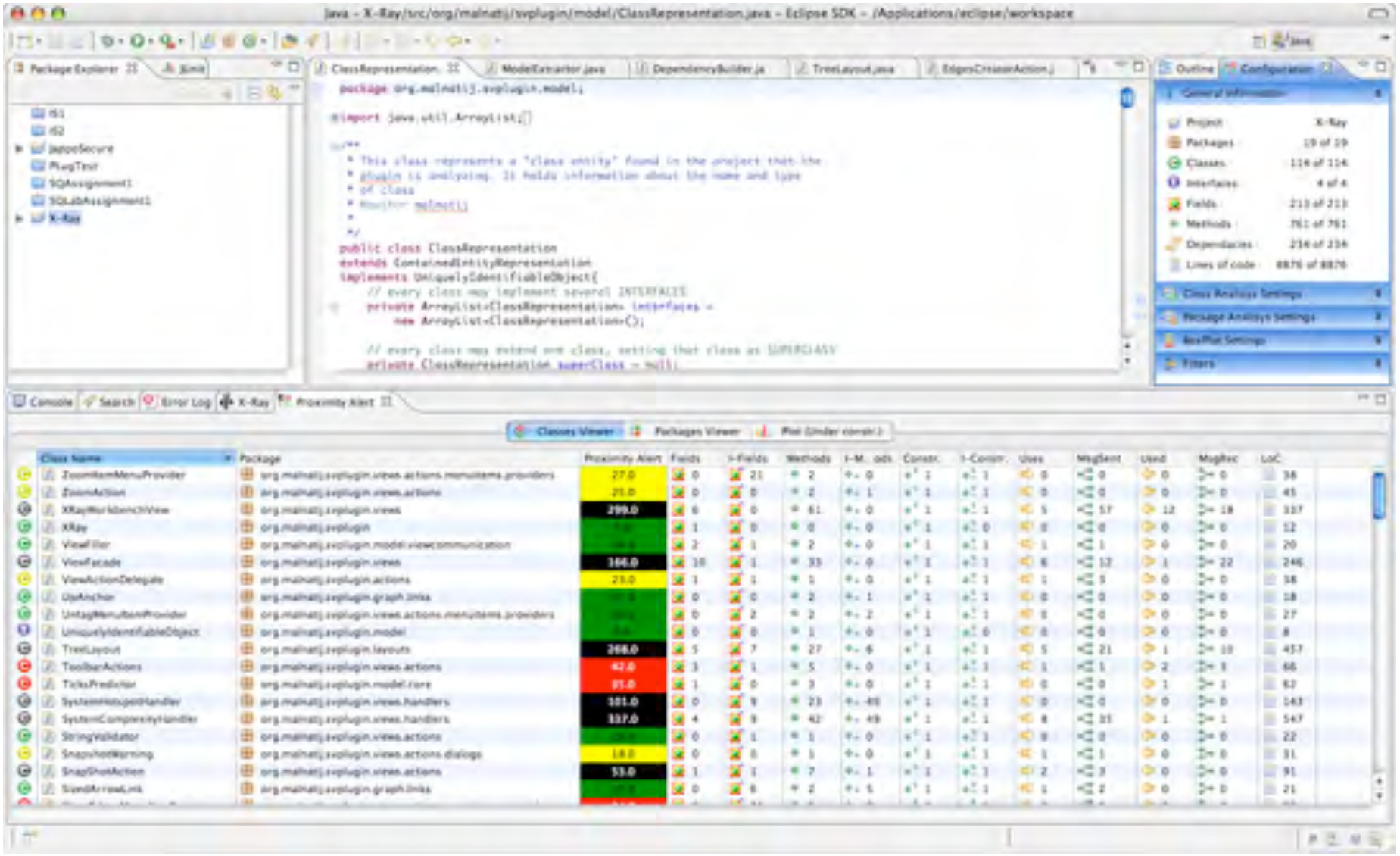


proximity alert



look for...

towers (=> lots of code, lots of methods)

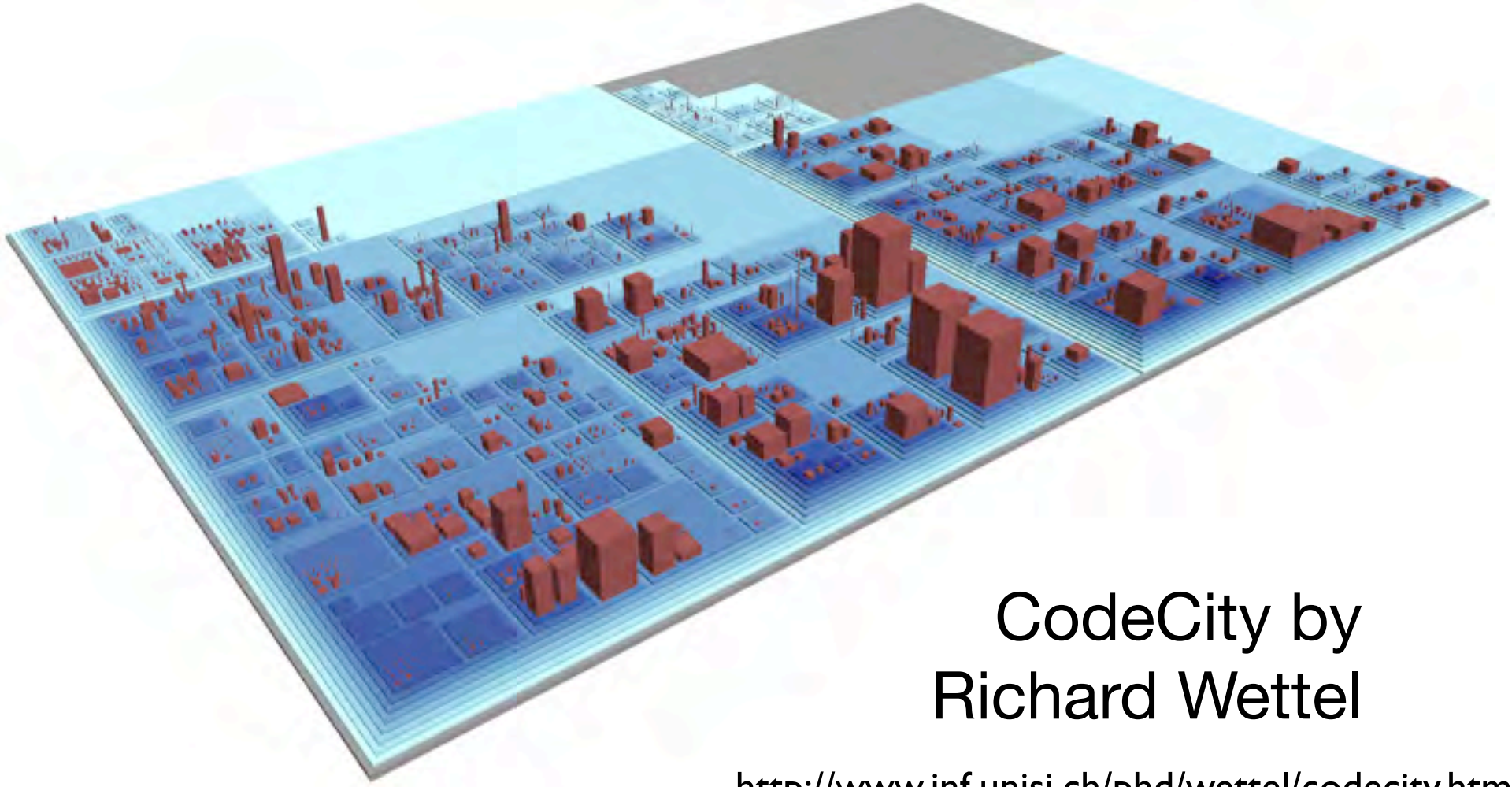
tangled dependencies

exuberant responsibility

natural partitions

balance

10,000 ft view (literally)



CodeCity by
Richard Wettel

http://www.inf.unisi.ch/phd/wettel/codecity.html

CodeCity

integrated environment for software analysis

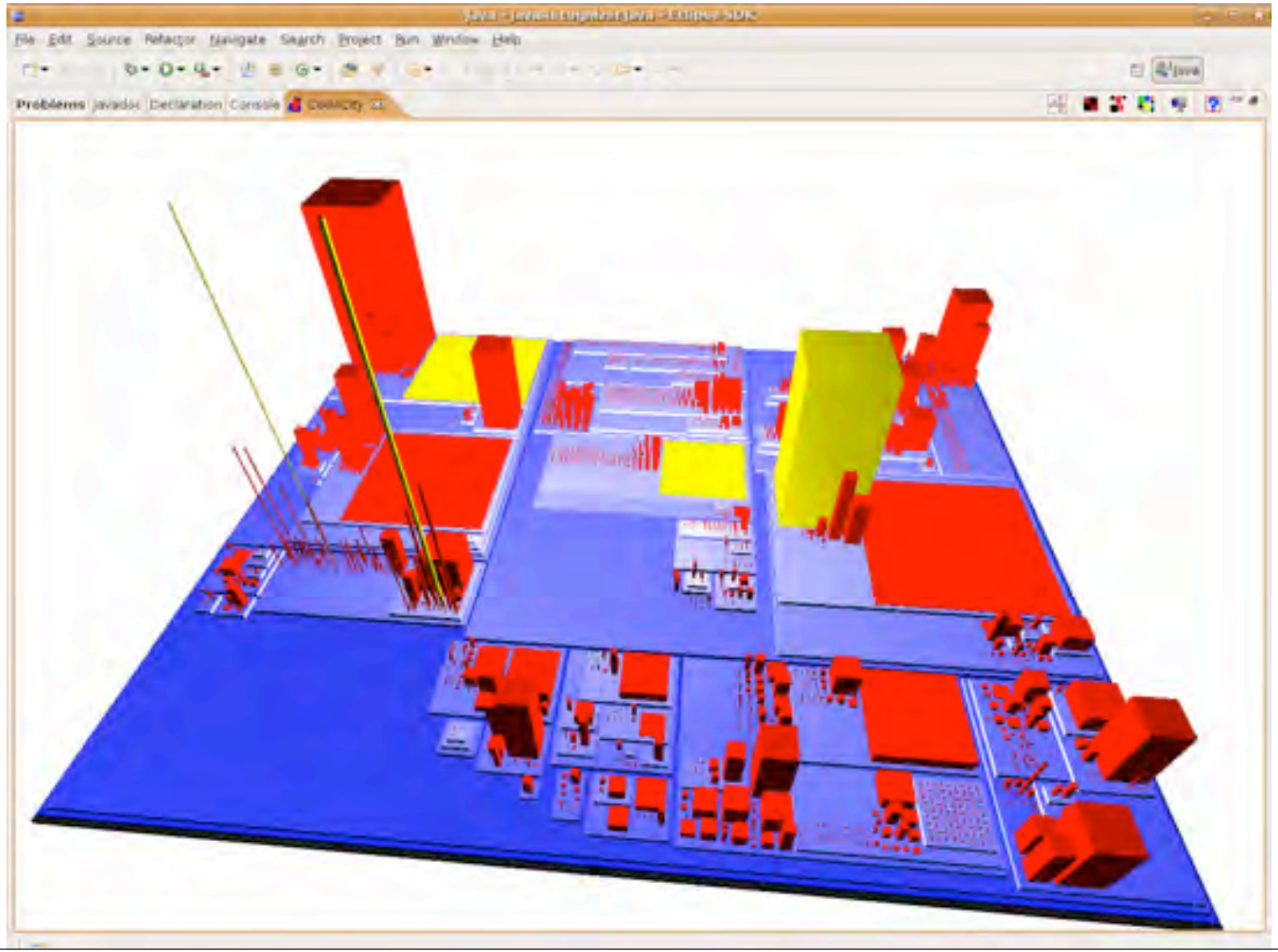
software systems are visualized as interactive, navigable 3D cities

written in VisualWorks Smalltalk, atop the Moose platform

classes => buildings

packages => districts

citylyzer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Citylyzer

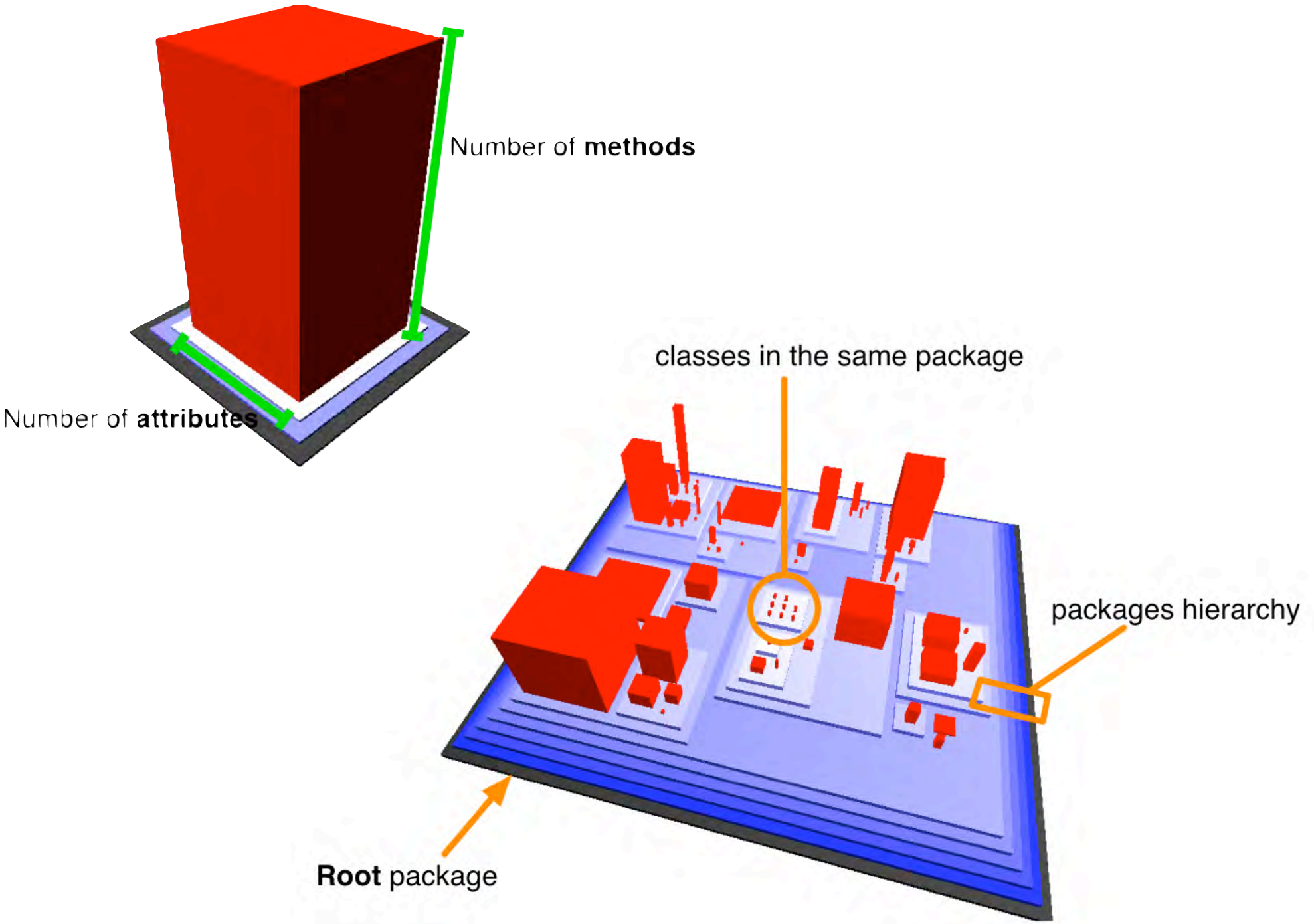
written atop x-ray

inspired by CodeCity

building height => number of methods

width/length => number of attributes

packages => districts


Number of **methods**
Number of **attributes**
classes in the same package
packages hierarchy
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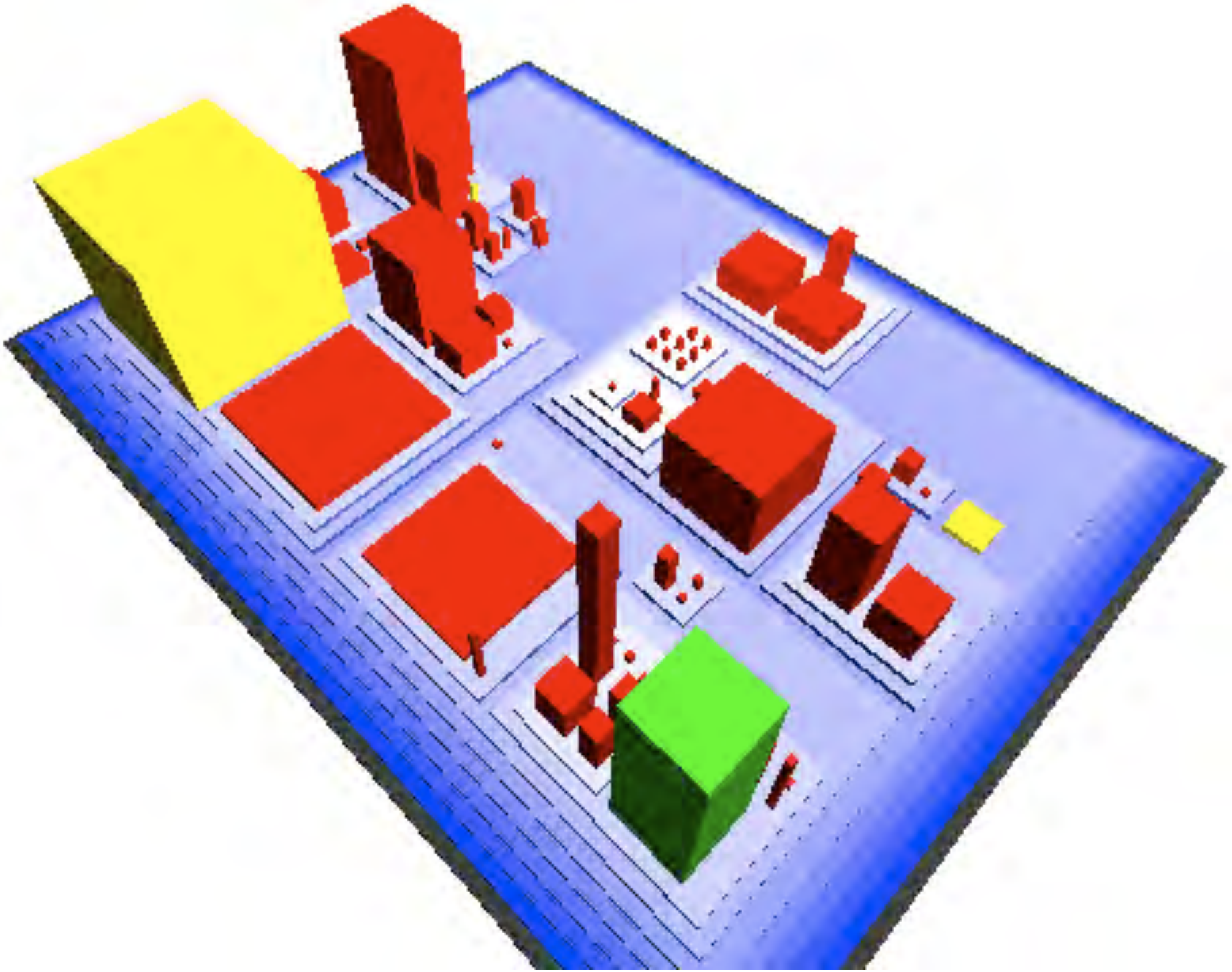
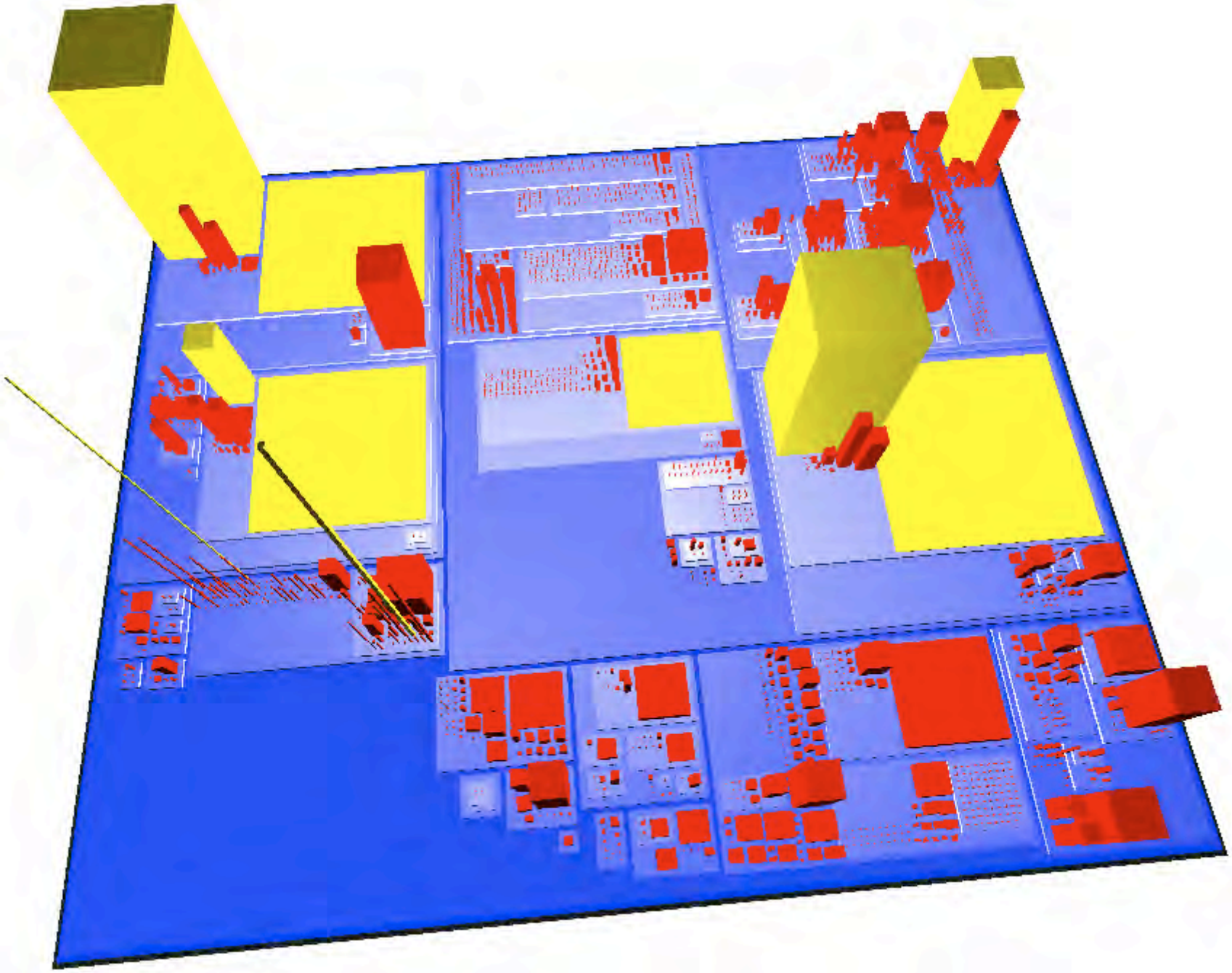
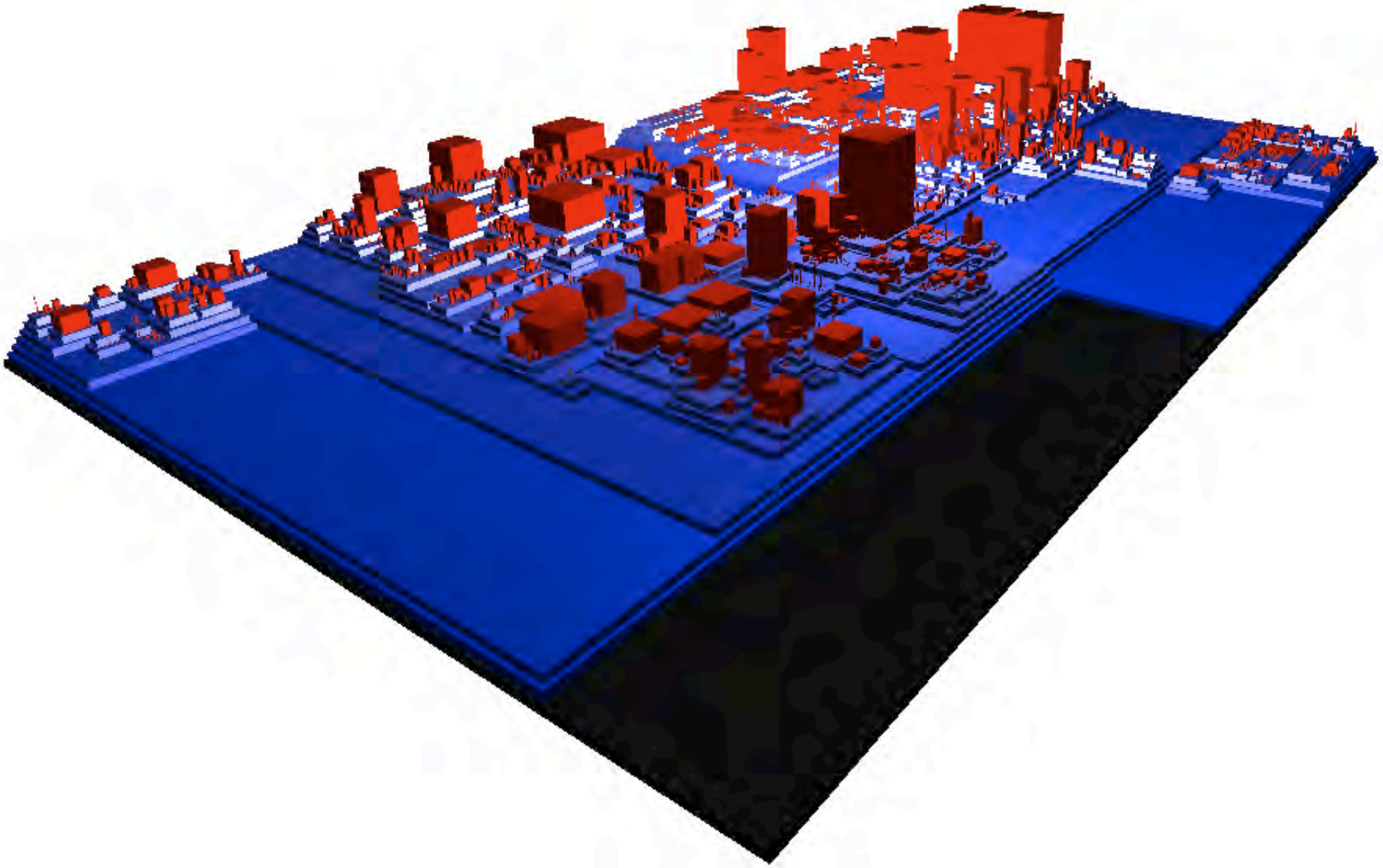






look for...

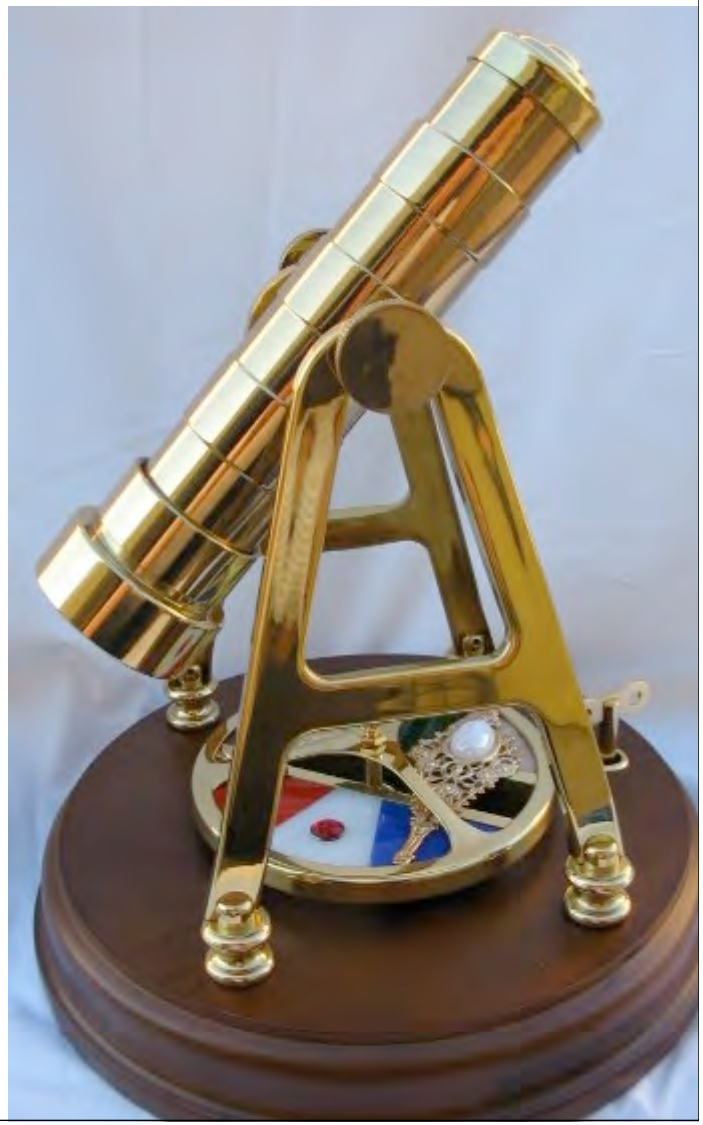
"real" cityscape

buildings that wouldn't exist in the real world

overly crowded neighborhoods

abandoned parts of town

would you live there?



metrics + agility

wire metrics & analysis into continuous integration

manually check often

discuss on iteration boundaries

fail the build with:

xpath expressions & plugins

jdepend-like unit tests

summary

intermediate altitude

information radiators

single dimensions

compelling evidence

cool!

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