Software Reengineering & Evolution



OBJECT-ORIENTED REENGINEERING PATTERNS Serge Demever Stéphane Ducasse Oscar Nierstras:



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Goals

We will try to convince you:

- Yes, Virginia, there are object-oriented legacy systems too!
- Reverse engineering and reengineering are essential activities in the lifecycle of any successful software system. (And especially OO ones!)
- There is a large set of *lightweight tools and techniques* to help you with reengineering.
- Despite these tools and techniques, people must do job and they represent the most valuable resource.

What is a Legacy System ?

"legacy"

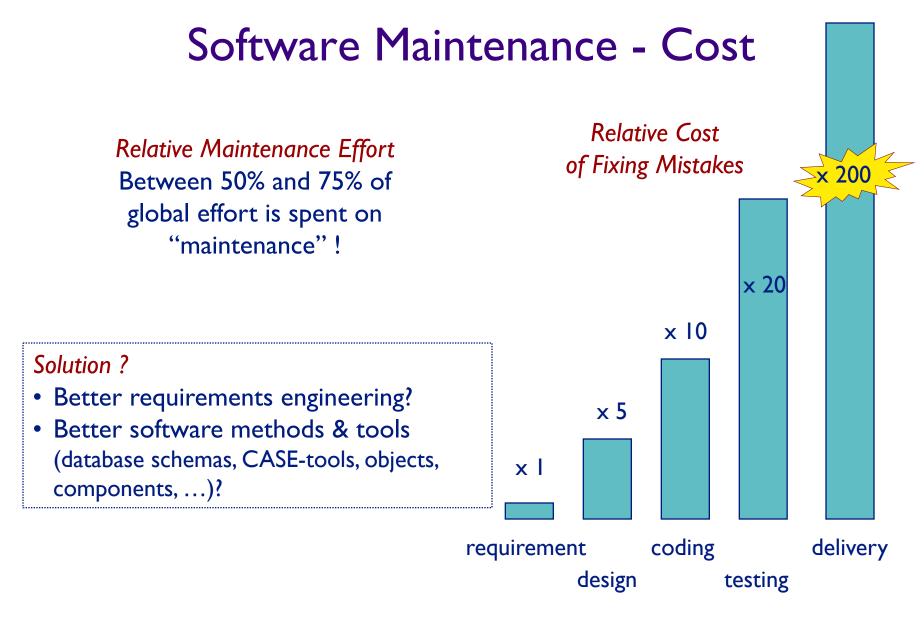
A sum of money, or a specified article, given to another by will; anything handed down by an ancestor or predecessor. — Oxford English Dictionary

- A **legacy system** is a piece of software that:
- you have inherited, and
- is valuable to you.

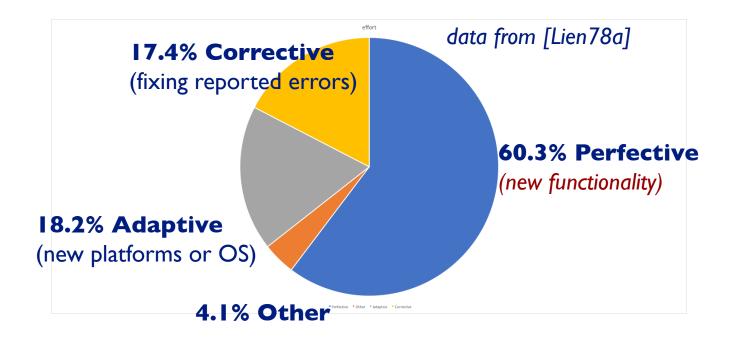
Typical **problems** with legacy systems:

- original developers not available
- outdated development methods used
- extensive patches and *modifications* have been made
- missing or outdated documentation

 \Rightarrow so, further evolution and development may be prohibitively expensive



Continuous Development



The bulk of the maintenance cost is due to *new functionality* \Rightarrow even with better requirements, it is hard to predict new functions

Modern Methods & Tools ?

[Glas98a] quoting empirical study from Sasa Dekleva (1992)

- Modern methods^(*) lead to more reliable software
- Modern methods lead to less frequent software repair
- and ...
- Modern methods lead to more total maintenance time

Contradiction ? No!
modern methods make it easier to change
... this capacity is used to enhance functionality!

(*) process-oriented structured methods, information engineering, data-oriented methods, prototyping, CASE-tools – not OO !

Lehman's Laws

A classic study by Lehman and Belady [Lehm85a] identified several "laws" of system change.

Continuing change

• A program that is used in a real-world environment *must change*, or become progressively less useful in that environment.

Increasing complexity

• As a program evolves, it becomes *more complex*, and extra resources are needed to preserve and simplify its structure.

Those laws are still applicable...

What about Objects ?

Object-oriented legacy systems

 = successful OO systems whose architecture and design no longer responds to changing requirements

Compared to traditional legacy systems

- The symptoms and the source of the problems are the same
- The technical details and solutions may differ

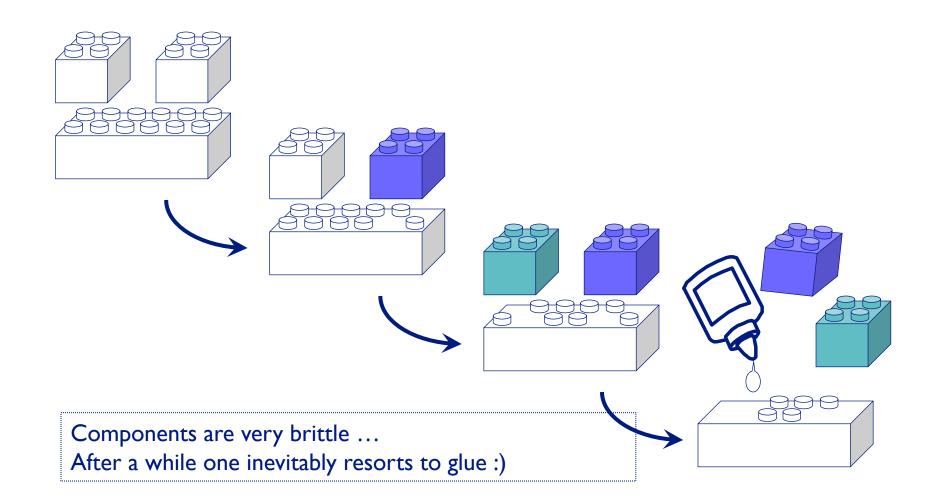
OO techniques promise better

- flexibility,
- reusability,
- maintainability

 \Rightarrow they do not come for free

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What about Components ?



Soccer Field Metaphor



I 2.5 million lines of code
 ≈ 40 soccer fields

Imagine 400 developers concurrently moving tiles around on 40 soccer fields

A. van Deursen, De software-evolutieparadox Intreerede TU Delft, 23 feb 2005

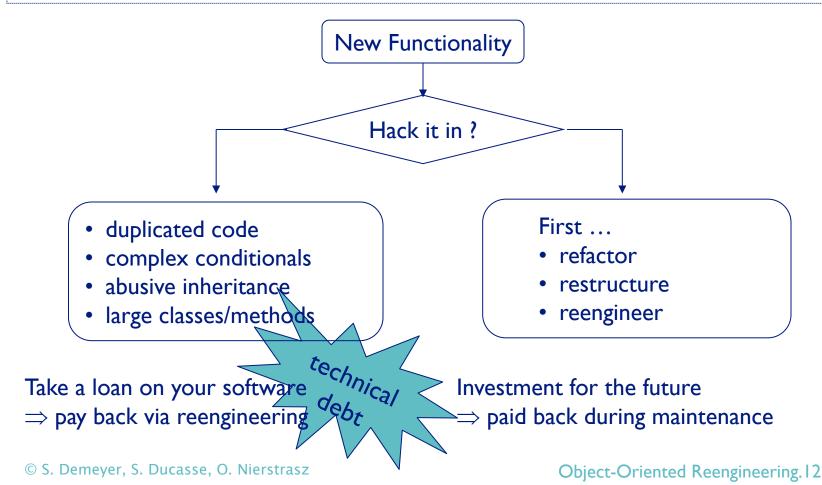
Reengineering Legacy Systems. I I

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How to deal with Legacy ?

New or changing requirements will gradually degrade original design ... unless extra development effort is spent to adapt the structure



Common Symptoms

Lack of Knowledge

- obsolete or no documentation
- departure of the original developers or users
- disappearance of inside knowledge about the system
- *limited understanding* of entire system

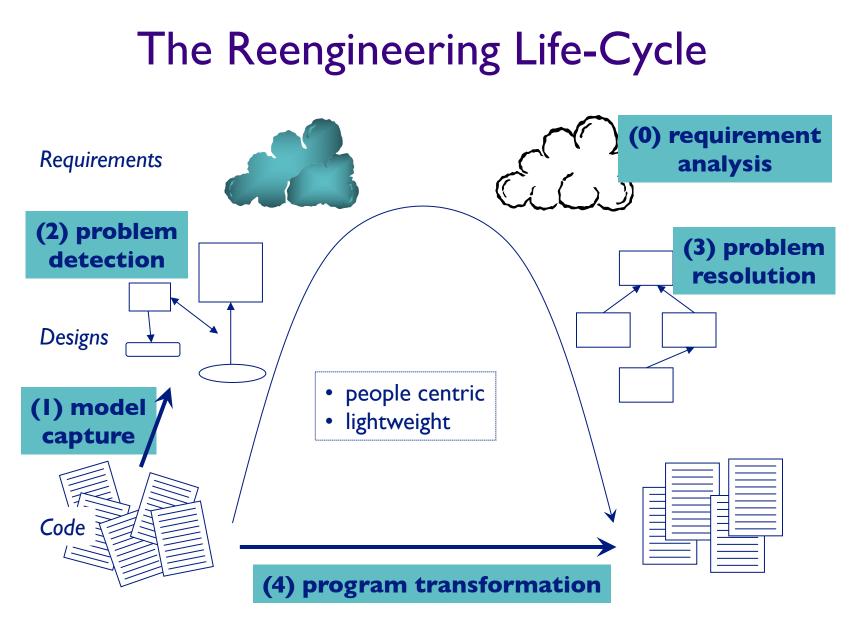
Process symptoms

- too long to turn things over to production
- need for constant bug fixes
- maintenance dependencies
- difficulties separating products
- \Rightarrow simple changes take too long

 \Rightarrow missing tests

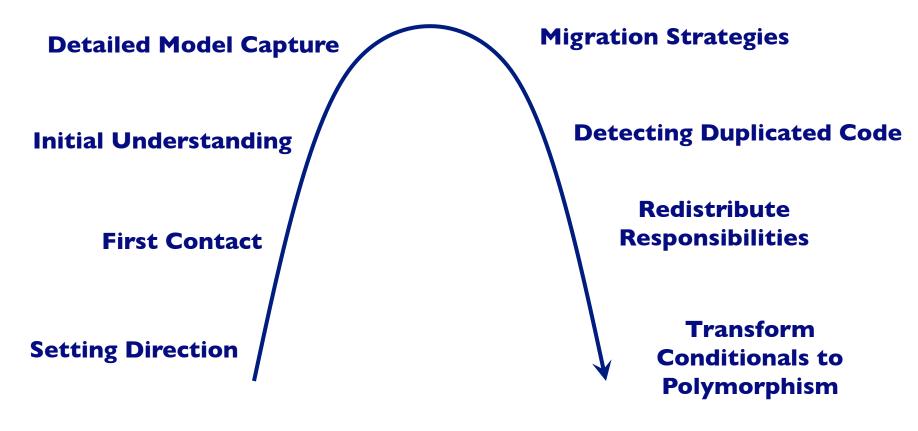
Code symptoms

- duplicated code
- code smells
- \Rightarrow big build times



A Map of Reengineering Patterns

Tests: Your Life Insurance



2. Reverse Engineering

- What and Why
- First Contact
 Interview during Demo
- Initial Understanding



What and Why ?

Definition

Reverse Engineering is the process of analysing a subject system

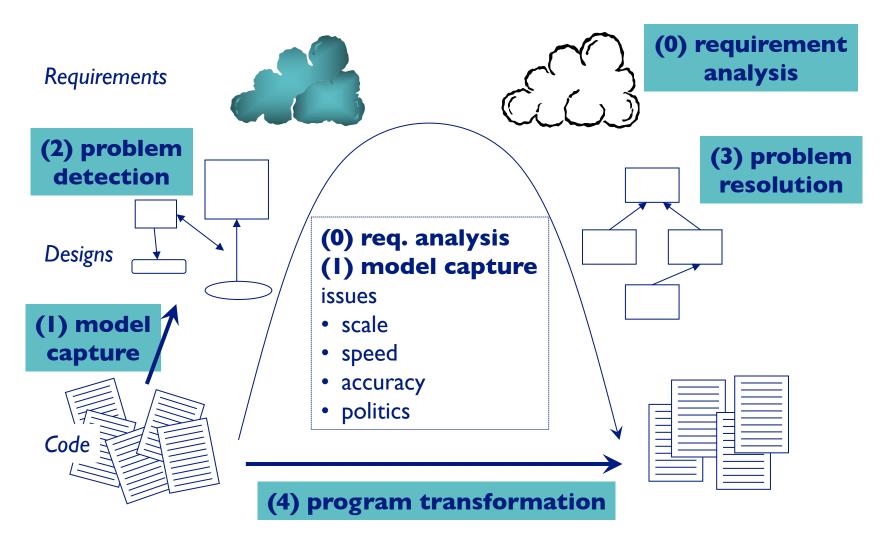
- is to identify the system's components and their interrelationships and
- create representations of the system in another form or at a higher level of abstraction.
 Chikofsky & Cross, '90

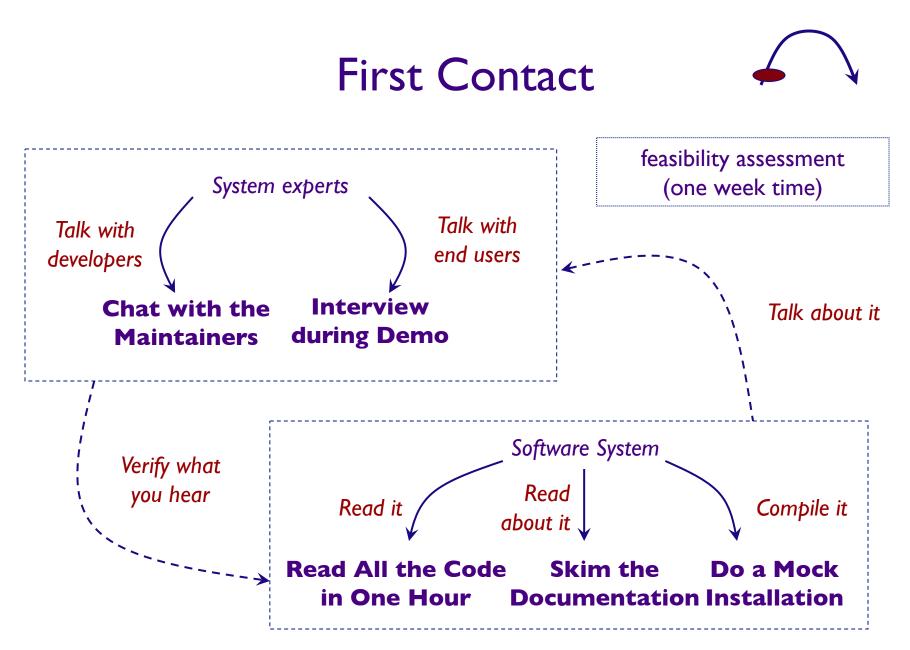
Motivation

Understanding other people's code (cfr. newcomers in the team, code reviewing, original developers left, ...)

> Generating UML diagrams is NOT reverse engineering ... but it is a valuable support tool

The Reengineering Life-Cycle





First Project Plan

Use standard templates, including:

• project scope

Isee "Setting Direction"

• opportunities

e.g., skilled maintainers, readable source-code, documentation

• risks

🖙 e.g., absent test-suites, missing libraries, ...

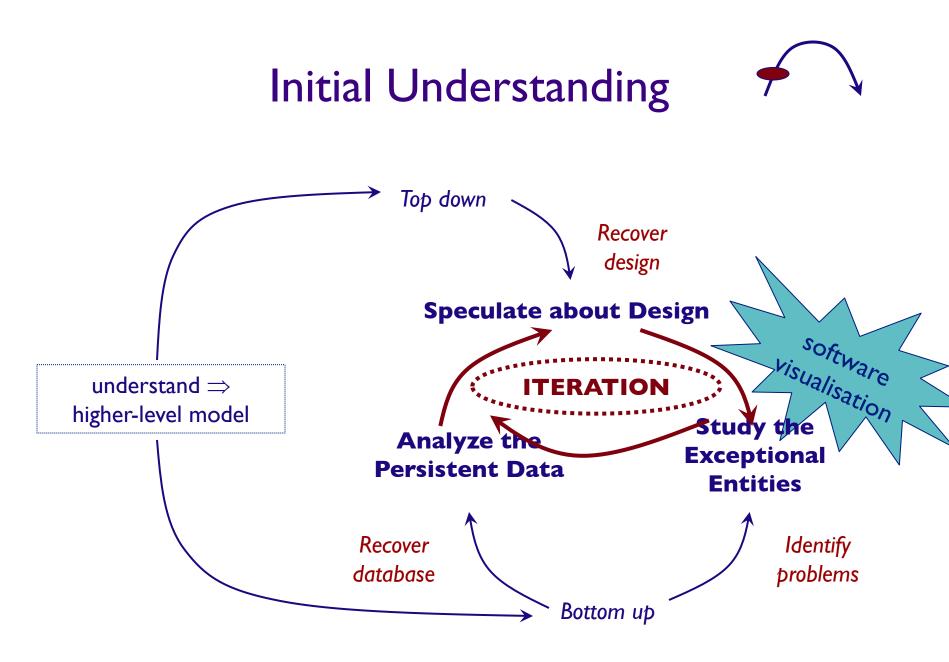
- record likelihood (unlikely, possible, likely)
 & impact (high, moderate, low) for causing problems
- go/no-go decision
- activities
 - ☞ fish-eye view

Interview during Demo Problem: What are the typical usage scenarios?

Solution: Ask the user!

- Solution: interview during demo
 - select several users
 - demo puts a user in a positive mindset
 - demo steers the interview

- ... however
 - ⊮ Which user ?
 - Users complain
 - IN What should you ask ?



3. Software Visualization

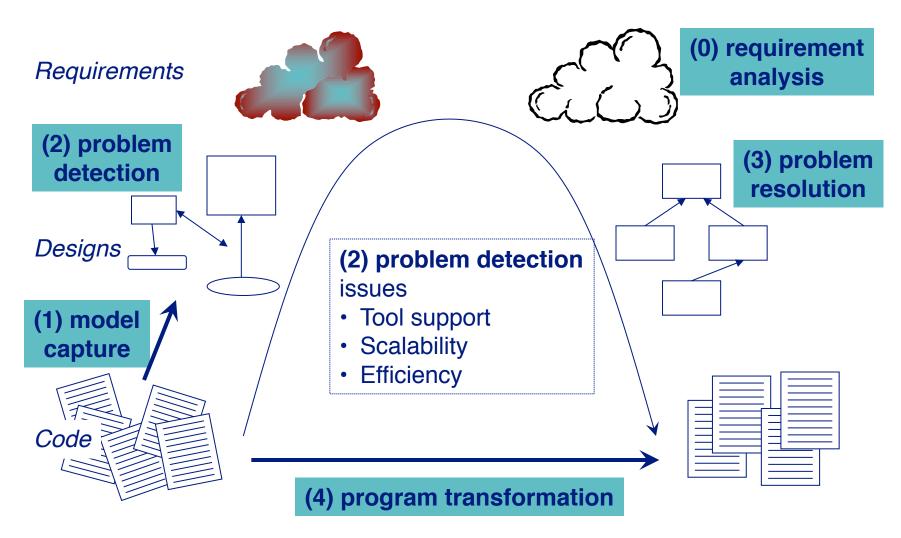
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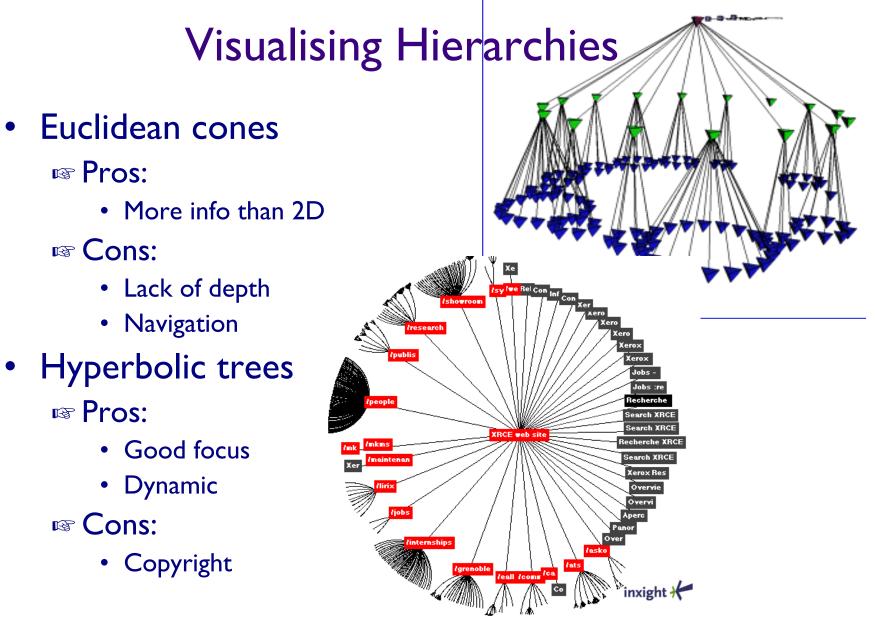
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- Examples
- Lightweight Approaches
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- Dynamic Analysis
 Key Concept Identification
 Feature Location
- Conclusion

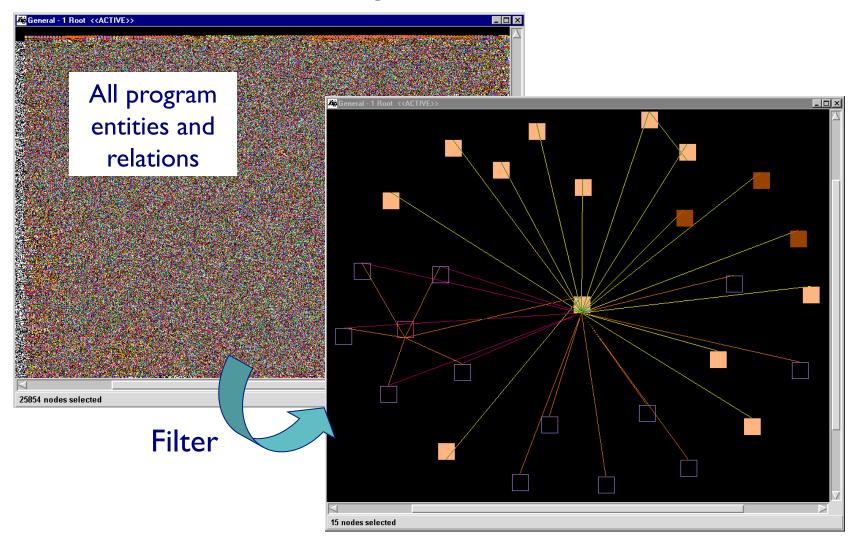


The Reengineering Life-cycle



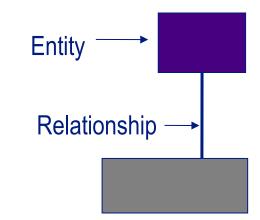


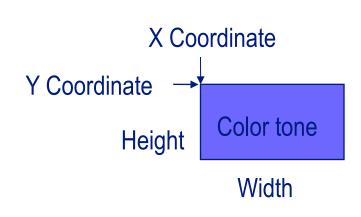
Bottom Up Visualisation

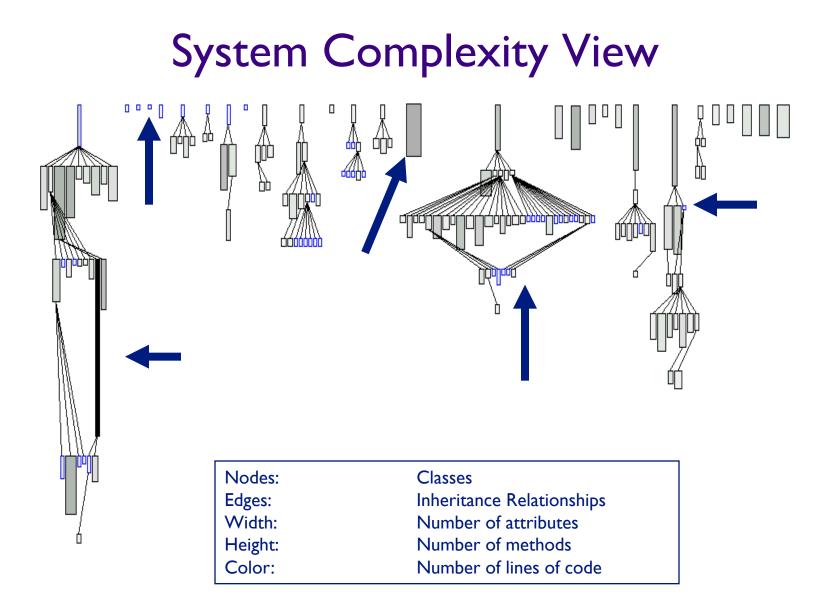


A lightweight approach

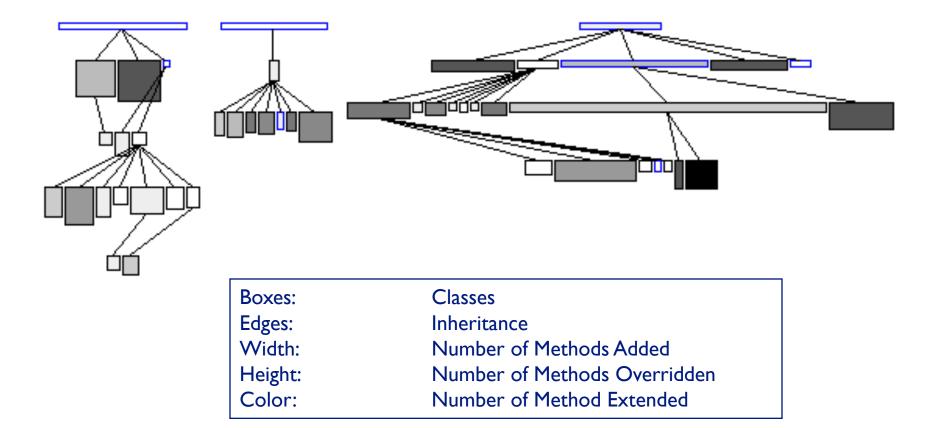
- A combination of metrics and software visualization
 - Visualize software using colored rectangles for the entities and edges for the relationships
 - Render up to five metrics on one node:
 - Size (1+2)
 - Color (3)
 - Position (4+5)



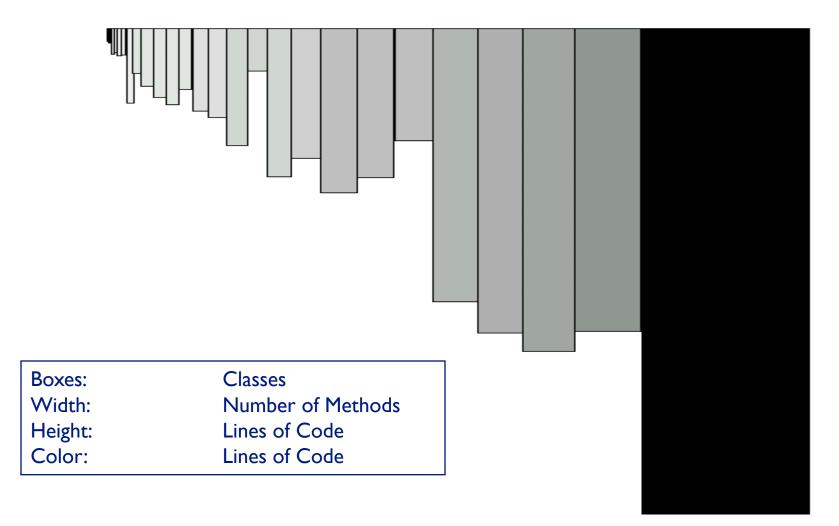




Inheritance Classification View

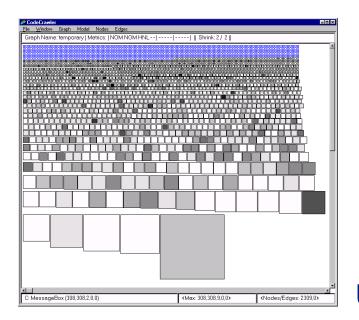


Data Storage Class Detection View



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Industrial Validation

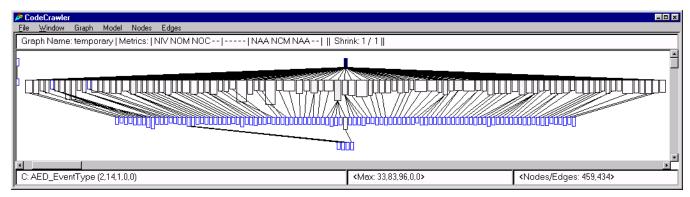


Personal experience 2-3 days to get something

Nokia (C++ I.2 MLOC >2300 classes) Nokia (C++/Java I20 kLOC >400 classes) MGeniX (Smalltalk 600 kLOC >2100classes) Bedag (COBOL 40 kLOC)

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Used by developers + Consultants



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State of the Art Tooling

1. source {d} https://sourced.tech https://github.com/src-d/engine

2. teamscale https://www.cqse.eu/ https://github.com/cqse

3. codescene https://codescene.io https://github.com/empear-analytics

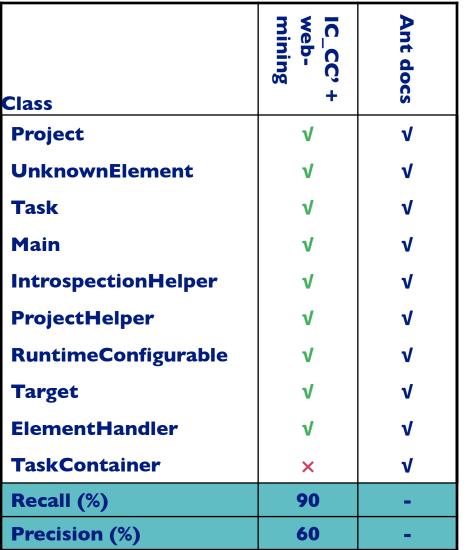
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4. Dynamic Analysis

- Key Concept Identification
- Feature Location



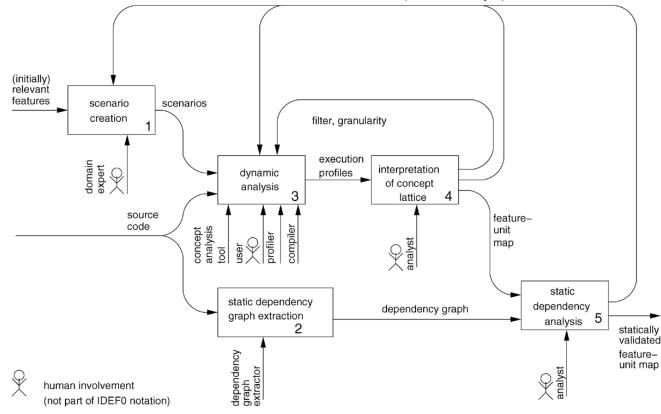
Key Concept Identification



- Extract run-time coupling
- Apply datamining ("google")
- Experiment with documented open-source cases (Ant, JMeter)
 - ☞ recall: +- 90 %
 - precision: +- 60 %

Feature Location

need for additional scenarios (incremental analysis)



T. Eisenbarth, R. Koschke, and D. Simon. Locating features in source code. IEEE Transactions on Software Engineering, 29(3):210–224, March 2003.

Replication is not supported, industrial cases are rare, In order to help the discipline mature, we think that more systematic empirical evaluation is needed. [Tonella et.Al, in Empirical Software Engineering]

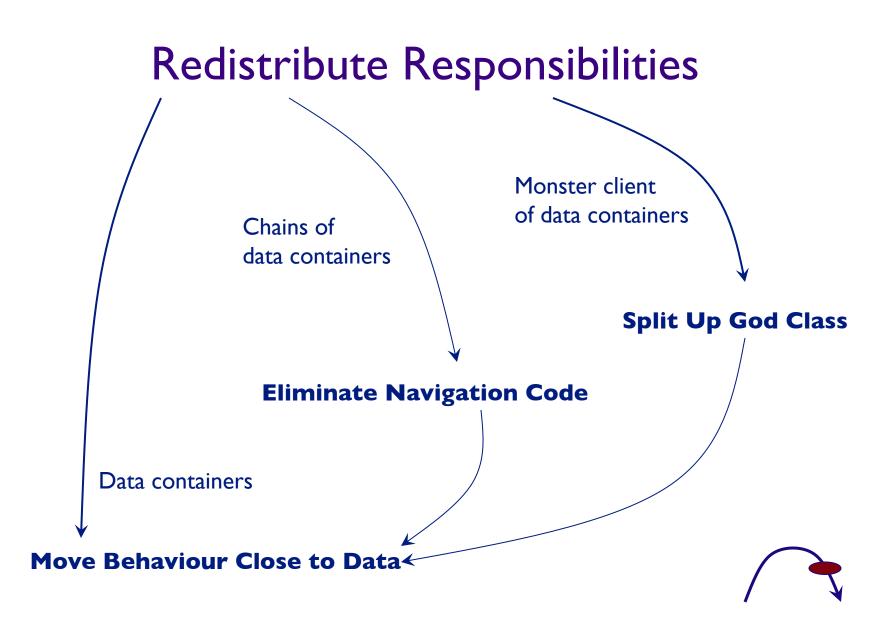
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5. Restructuring

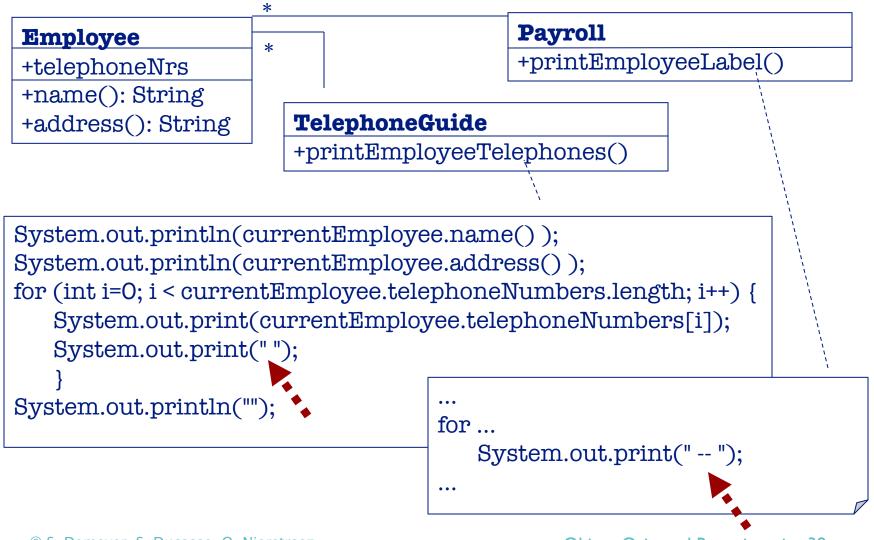
Redistribute Responsibilities

- Move Behaviour Close to Data
- Eliminate Navigation Code
- Split up God Class
- Empirical Validation



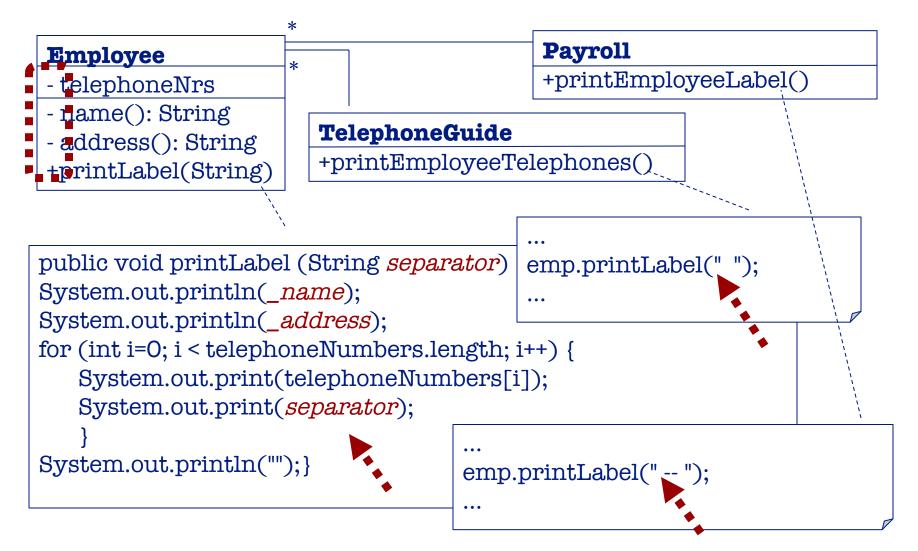


Move Behavior Close to Data (example 1/2)

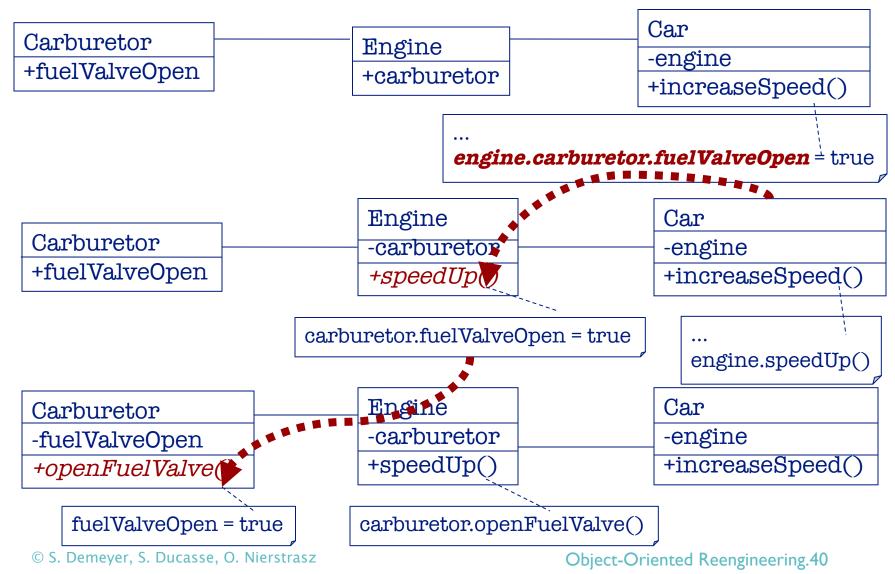


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Move Behavior Close to Data (example 2/2)



Eliminate Navigation Code



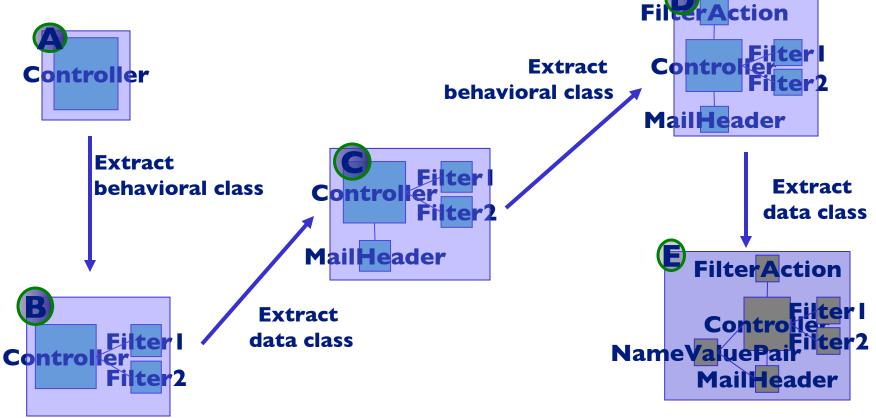
Split Up God Class

Problem: Break a class which monopolizes control? **Solution:** Incrementally eliminate navigation code

- Detection:
 - ☞ measuring size
 - class names containing Manager, System, Root, Controller
 - the class that all maintainers are avoiding
- How:
 - move behaviour close to data + eliminate navigation code
 - remove or deprecate façade
- However:
 - If God Class is stable, then don't split
 - \Rightarrow shield client classes from the god class

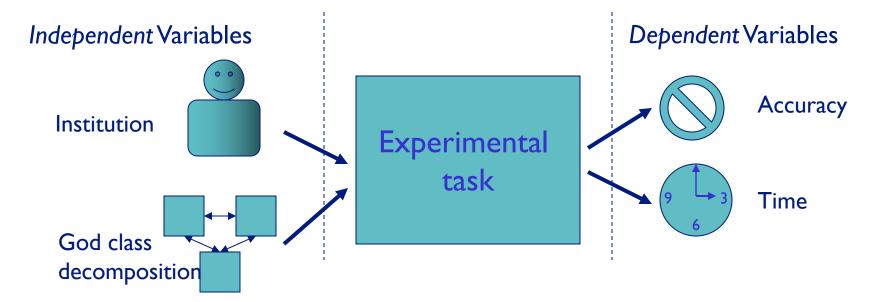
Split Up God Class: 5 variants

Mail client filters incoming mail



Empirical Validation

• **Controlled experiment** with 63 lastyear master-level students (CS and ICT)



Interpretation of Results

- "Optimal decomposition" differs with respect to training Computer science: preference towards C-E ICT-electronics: preference towards A-C
- Advanced OO training can induce a preference towards particular styles of decomposition

"Good" design is in the

eye of the beholder

Consistent with [Arisholm et al. 2004]

6. Code Duplication

a.k.a. Software Cloning, Copy&Paste Programming

Code Duplication

- ☞ What is it?
- ☞ Why is it harmful?
- Detecting Code Duplication
- Approaches
- A Lightweight Approach
- Visualization (dotplots)
- Duploc
- Recent trends



The Reengineering Life-Cycle Requirements (2) problem detection (3) problem resolution

Designs (2) Problem detection issues · Scale · Unknown a priori (2) Problem detection (2) Problem detection

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Code is Copied

Small Example from the Mozilla Distribution (Milestone 9) Extract from /dom/src/base/nsLocation.cpp

[432]	NS_IMETHODIMP	[467]	NS_IMETHODIMP	[497]	NS_IMETHODIMP
[433]	LocationImpl::GetPathname(nsString	[468]	LocationImpl::SetPathname(const nsString	[498]	LocationImpl::GetPort(nsString& aPort)
[434]	{	[469]	{	[499]	{
[435]	nsAutoString href;	[470]	nsAutoString href;	[500]	nsAutoString href;
[436]	nsIURI *url;	[471]	nsIURI *url;	[501]	nsIURI *url;
[437]	nsresult result = NS_OK;	[472]	nsresult result = NS_OK;	[502]	nsresult result = NS_OK;
[438]		[473]		[503]	
[439]	result = GetHref(href);	[474]	result = GetHref(href);	[504]	result = GetHref(href);
[440]	if $(NS_OK == result)$ {	[475]	if $(NS_OK == result)$ {	[505]	if $(NS_OK == result)$ {
[441]	#ifndef NECKO	[476]	#ifndef NECKO	[506]	#ifndef NECKO
[442]	result = NS_NewURL(&url, href);	[477]	result = NS_NewURL(&url, href);	[507]	result = NS_NewURL(&url, href);
[443]	#else	[478]	#else	[508]	#else
[444]	result = NS_NewURI(&url, href);	[479]	result = NS_NewURI(&url, href);	[509]	result = NS_NewURI(&url, href);
[445]	#endif // NECKO	[480]	#endif // NECKO	[510]	#endif // NECKO
[446]	if $(NS_OK == result)$ {	[481]	if $(NS_OK == result)$ {	[511]	if $(NS_OK == result)$ {
[447]	#ifdef NECKO	[482]	char *buf = aPathname.ToNewCString();		aPort.SetLength(0);
[448]	char* file;	[483]	#ifdef NECKO	[513]	#ifdef NECKO
[449]	result = url->GetPath(&file);	[484]	url->SetPath(buf);	[514]	PRInt32 port;
[450]	#else	[485]	#else	[515]	(void)url->GetPort(&port);
[451]	const char* file;	[486]	url->SetFile(buf);	[516]	#else
[452]	result = url->GetFile(&file);	[487]	#endif	[517]	PRUint32 port;
[453]	#endif	[488]	SetURL(url);	[518]	<pre>(void)url->GetHostPort(&port);</pre>
[454]	if (result == NS_OK) {	[489]	delete[] buf;	[519]	#endif
[455]	aPathname.SetString(file);	[490]	NS_RELEASE(url);	[520]	if (-1 != port) {
[456]	#ifdef NECKO	[491]	}	[521]	aPort.Append(port, 10);
[457]	nsCRT::free(file);	[492]	}	[522]	}
[458]	#endif	[493]		[523]	NS_RELEASE(url);
[459]	}	[494]	return result;	[524]	}
[460]	NS_IF_RELEASE(url);	[495]	}	[525]	}
[461]	}	[496]		[526]	
[462]	}			[527]	return result;
[463]				[528]	}
[464]	return result;			[529]	
[465]	}				
[466]					

How Much Code is Duplicated?

Usual estimates: 8 to 12% in normal industrial code 15 to 25 % is already a lot!

Case Study	LOC	Duplication without comments	with comments
gcc	460'000	8.7%	5.6%
Database Server	245'000	36.4%	23.3%
Payroll	40'000	59.3%	25.4%
Message Board	6'500	29.4%	17.4%

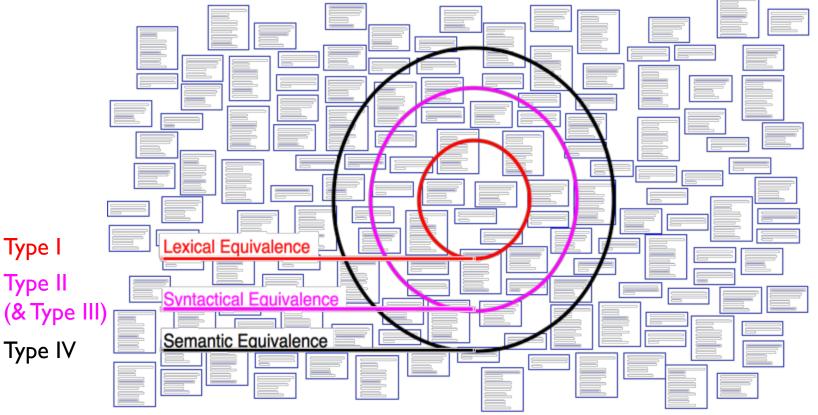
Copied Code Problems

- General negative effect:
 - Code bloat
- Negative effects on Software Maintenance
 - Copied Defects
 - Changes take double, triple, quadruple, ... Work
 - Dead code
 - Add to the cognitive load of future maintainers
- Copying as additional source of defects
 - Errors in the systematic renaming produce unintended aliasing
- Metaphorically speaking:
 - Software Aging, "hardening of the arteries",
 - "Software Entropy" increases even small design changes become very difficult to effect

Code Duplication Detection

Nontrivial problem:

- No a priori knowledge about which code has been copied
- How to find all clone pairs among all possible pairs of segments?



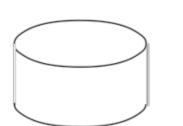
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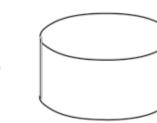
General Schema of Detection Process

Transformation

Comparison

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Source Code

Transformed Code

Duplication Data

Author	Level	Transformed Code	Comparison Technique
[John94a]	Lexical	Substrings	String-Matching
[Duca99a]	Lexical	Normalized Strings	String-Matching
[Bake95a]	Syntactical	Parameterized Strings	String-Matching
[Mayr96a]	Syntactical	Metric Tuples	Discrete comparison
[Kont97a]	Syntactical	Metric Tuples	Euclidean distance
[Baxt98a]	Syntactical	AST	Tree-Matching

Simple Detection Approach (i)

• Assumption:

• Code segments are just copied and changed at a few places

Code Transformation Step

- remove white space, comments
- remove lines that contain uninteresting code elements (e.g., just 'else' or '}')

Simple Detection Approach (ii)

Code Comparison Step

- Line based comparison (Assumption: Layout did not change during copying)
- ☞ Compare each line with each other line.
- Reduce search space by hashing:
 - I. Preprocessing: Compute the hash value for each line

2. Actual Comparison: Compare all lines in the same hash bucket

• Evaluation of the Approach

- Advantages: Simple, language independent
- Disadvantages: Difficult interpretation

A Perl script for C++ (1/2)

```
$equiv alenceClassMinimalSiz e = 1;
$slidingWindo wSiz e = 5;
$remo veKeywords = 0;
@keywords = qw(if
then
else
);
```

\$keywordsRegExp = join 'l', @k eywords;

```
@unw antedLines = qw( else
  retur n
  retur n;
  {
  }
  ;
);
```

push @unw antedLines, @keywords;

```
while (<>) {
chomp;
$totalLines++;
```

```
# remo ve comments of type /* */
my $codeOnly = ";
while(($inComment && ml\*/l) II
(!$inComment && ml/\*l)) {
    unless($inComment) { $codeOnly .= $` }
    $inComment = !$inComment;
    $_ = $';
}
$codeOnly .= $_ unless $inComment;
$_ = $codeOnly;
```

sl//.*\$II; # remo ve comments of type // s/s+//g; #remo ve white space s/\$keyw ordsRegExp//og if \$remo veKeyw ords; #remo ve keywords

A Perl script for C++ (2/2)

\$codeLines++; push @currentLines, \$_; push @currentLineNos.\$.; if(\$slidingWindowSize < @currentLines) { shift @currentLines: shift @currentLineNos;} #print STDERR "Line \$totalLines >\$_<\n";</pre> my \$lineToBeCompared = join ", @currentLines; my \$lineNumbersCompared = "<\$ARGV>"; # append the name of the file \$lineNumbersCompared .= join '/', @currentLineNos; #print STDERR "\$lineNumbersCompared\n"; if(\$bucketRef = \$eqLines{\$lineToBeCompared}) { push @\$bucketRef, \$lineNumbersCompared; } else {\$eqLines{\$lineToBeCompared} = [\$lineNumbersCompared];} if (eof) { close ARGV } # Reset linerumber-count for next file

- Handles multiple files
- Removes comments and white spaces
- Controls noise (if, {,)
- Granularity (number of lines)
- Possible to remove keywords

Output Sample

Lines:

create_property(pd,pnImplObjects,stReference,false,*iImplObjects); create_property(pd,pnElttype,stReference,true,*iEltType); create_property(pd,pnMinelt,stInteger,true,*iMinelt); create_property(pd,pnMaxelt,stInteger,true,*iMaxelt); create_property(pd,pnOwnership,stBool,true,*iOwnership); Locations: </face/typesystem/SCTypesystem.C>6178/6179/6180/6181/6182 </face/typesystem/SCTypesystem.C>6198/6199/6200/6201/6202 Lines:

create_property(pd,pnSupertype,stReference,true,*iSupertype); create_property(pd,pnImplObjects,stReference,false,*iImplObjects); create_property(pd,pnElttype,stReference,true,*iEltType); create_property(pd,pMinelt,stInteger,true,*iMinelt); create_property(pd,pnMaxelt,stInteger,true,*iMaxelt); Locations: </face/typesystem/SCTypesystem.C>6177/6178 </face/typesystem/SCTypesystem.C>6229/6230

Lines = duplicated lines

Locations = file names and line number

Visualization of Duplicated Code

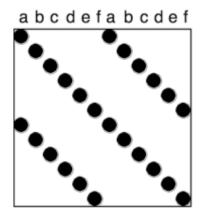
•Visualization provides insights into the duplication situation

•A simple version can be implemented in three days

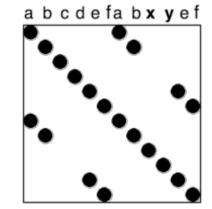
•Scalability issue

•Dotplots — Technique from DNA Analysis

- Code is put on vertical as well as horizontal axis
- A match between two elements is a dot in the matrix



Exact Copies

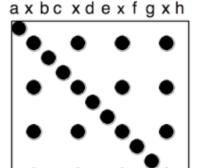


Copies with Variations





Inserts/Deletes



Repetitive Code Elements

Visualization of Copied Code Sequences

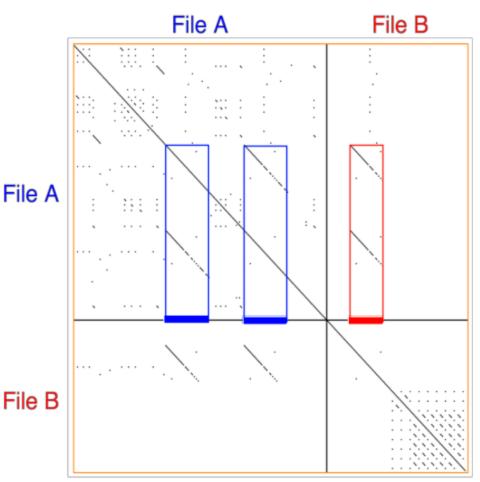
Detected Problem

File A contains two copies of a piece of code

File B contains another copy of this code

Possible Solution

Extract Method



All examples are made using Duploc from an industrial case study (I Mio LOC C++ System)

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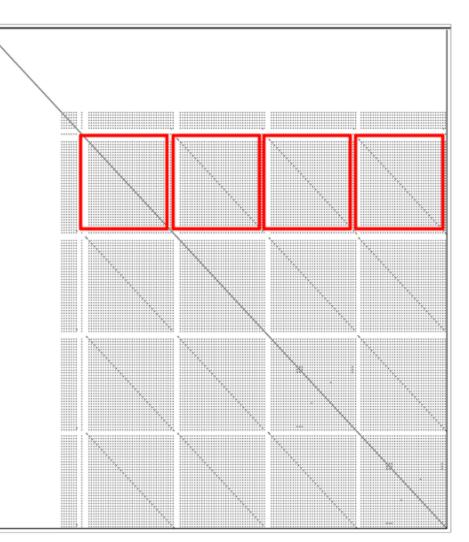
Visualization of Repetitive Structures

Detected Problem

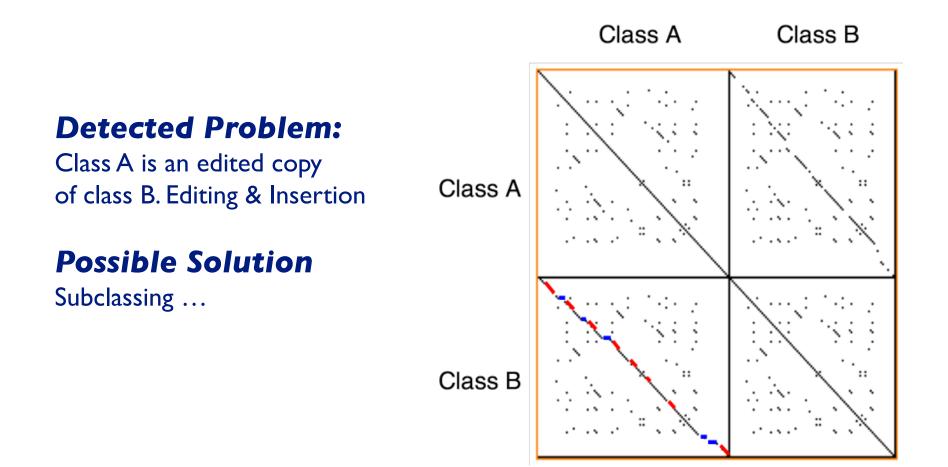
4 Object factory clones: a switch statement over a type variable is used to call individual construction code

Possible Solution

Strategy Method



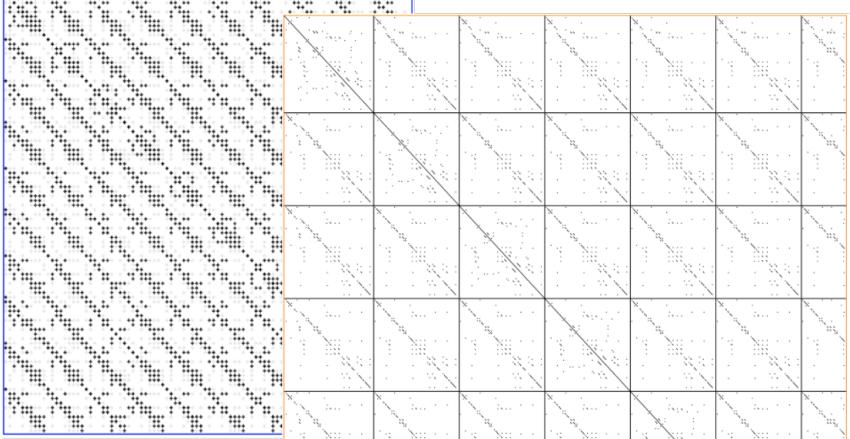
Visualization of Cloned Classes



Visualization of Clone Families

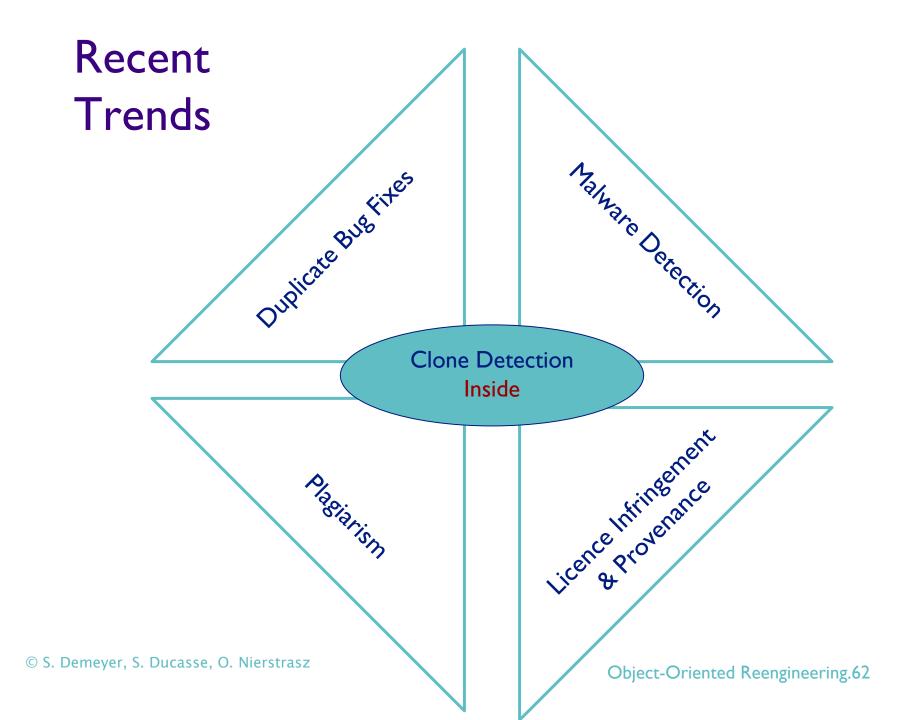
Overview

Detail



20 Classes implementing lists for different data types

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7. Software Evolution

- Exploiting the Version Control System
 - Visualizing CVS changes
- The Evolution Matrix
- Test History

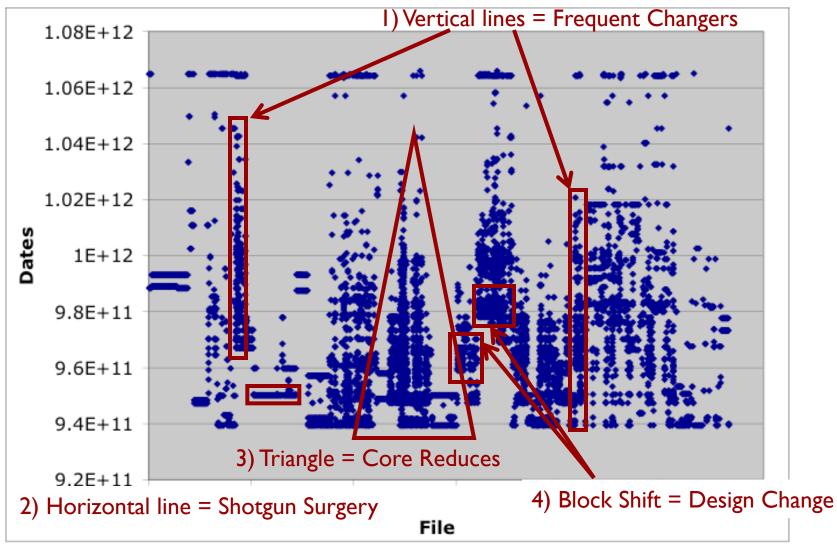


It is not age that turns a piece of software into a legacy system, but the *rate* at which it has been developed and adapted without being reengineered.

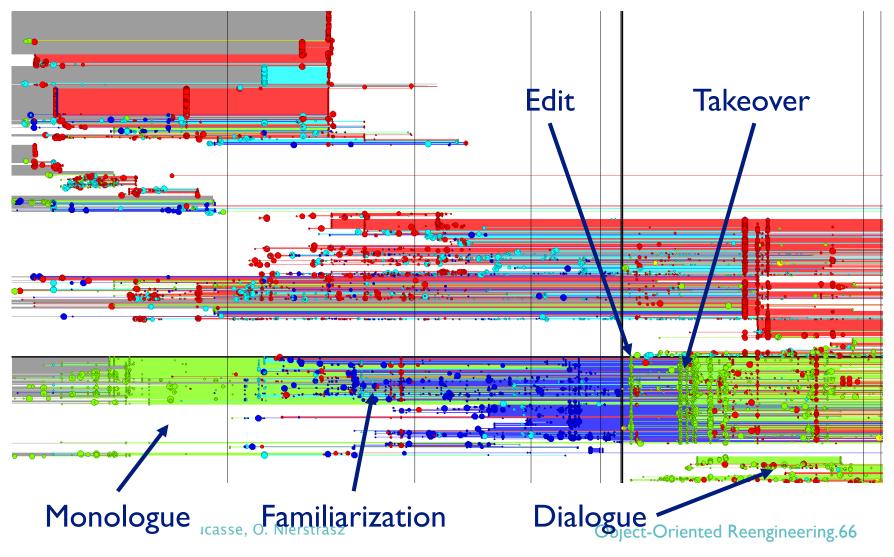
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The Reengineering Life-Cycle (0) requirement Requirements analysis (2) problem (3) problem detection resolution Designs (2) Problem detection (I) model Issues capture • scale Code (2) Problem detection

Analyse CVS changes

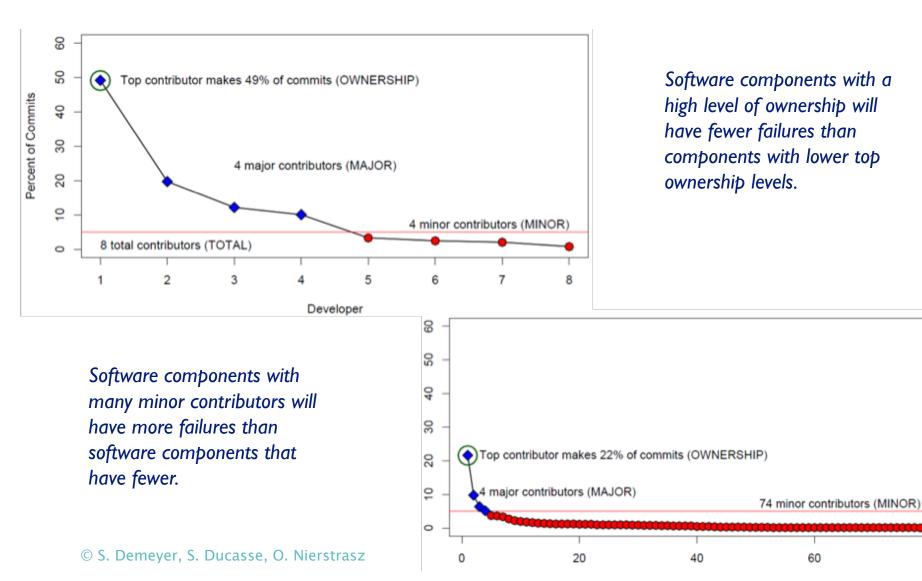


Ownership Map: Developer Activity



Data from Windows Vista and Windows 7

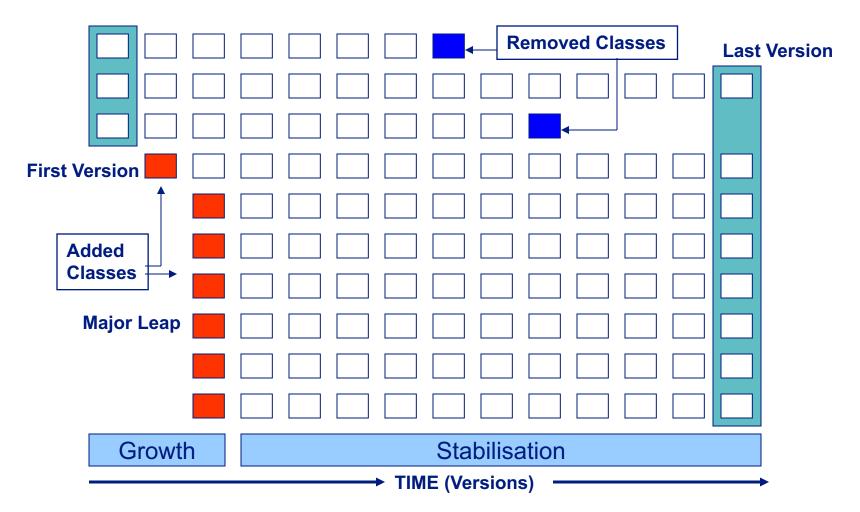
What to (re)test ?



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The Evolution Matrix

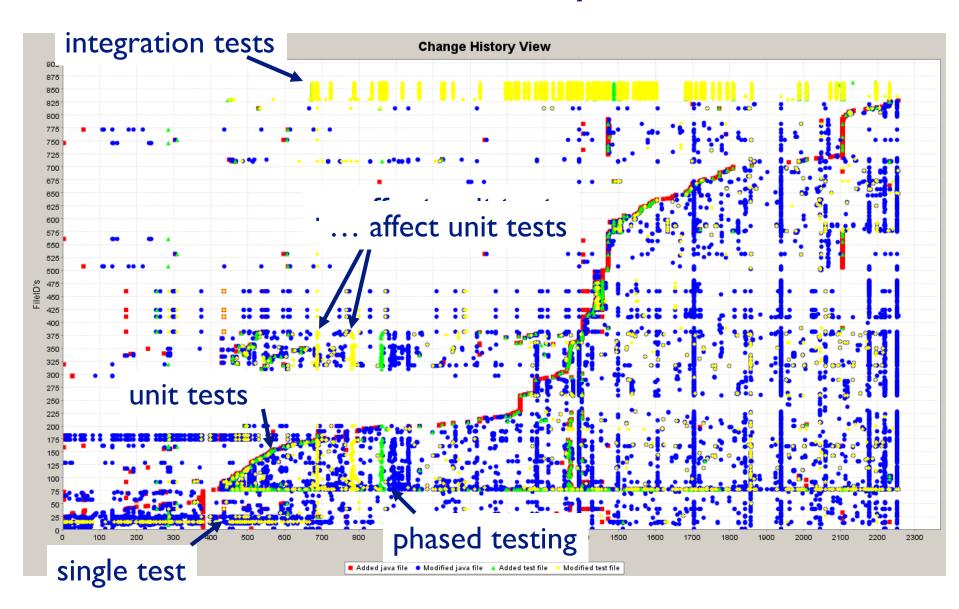


Example: MooseFinder (38 Versions)

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File Views Selection Highlighting Transformation		model MooseFinder1 (199a xml					
Item: Class MSEMooseFinderUI [<(NOM: 50)(-: 0)> <(-: 0)> <(-: 0)>] belongs to model MooseFinder1.099a.xml							
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FIRST VERSION				PERSISENT CLASSES			
LEAP 1							
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			LEAP 2				
3252 Nodes, 0 Edges				100%			

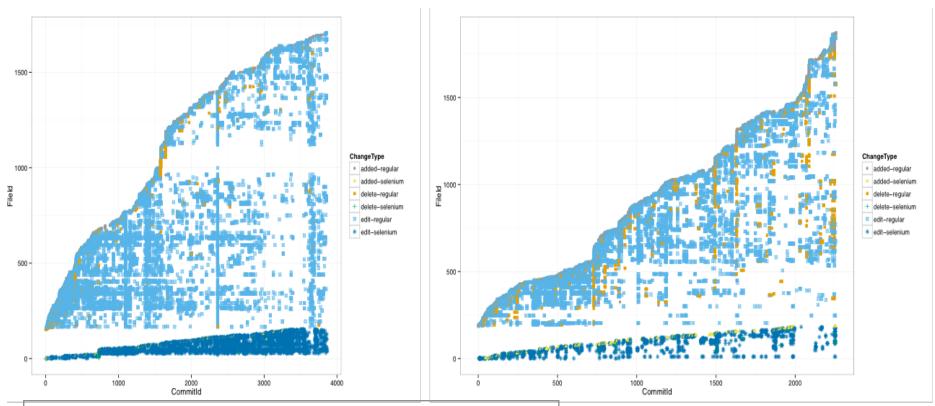
System under study = checkstyle

Test history



Selenium Tests

Git repositories of the XWiki, OpenLMIS and Atlas © Laurent Christophe (Vrije Universiteit Brussel)

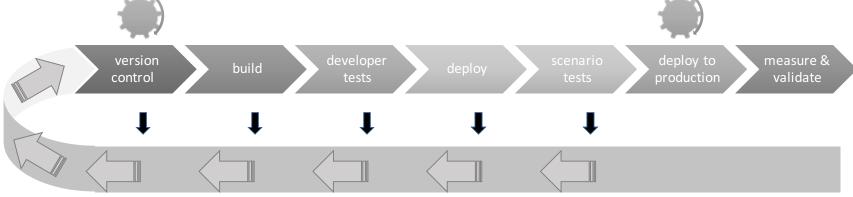


Project	Total	Locator	Command	Demarcator	Asserts
Atlas	8068	90	3	104	3282
XWiki	68665	115	154	24	1490
Tama	31821	95	89	43	36
Zanata	12959	497	119	0	1
EEG/ERP	248	3	0	0	6
OpenLMIS	69792 emeyer, S.	2550 Ducasse, O	401 . Nierstrasz	8	3454

Avoid Magic Constants !!

8. Going Agile

Continuous Integration / Deployment





<<Breaking the Build>>



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Mining Software Repositories

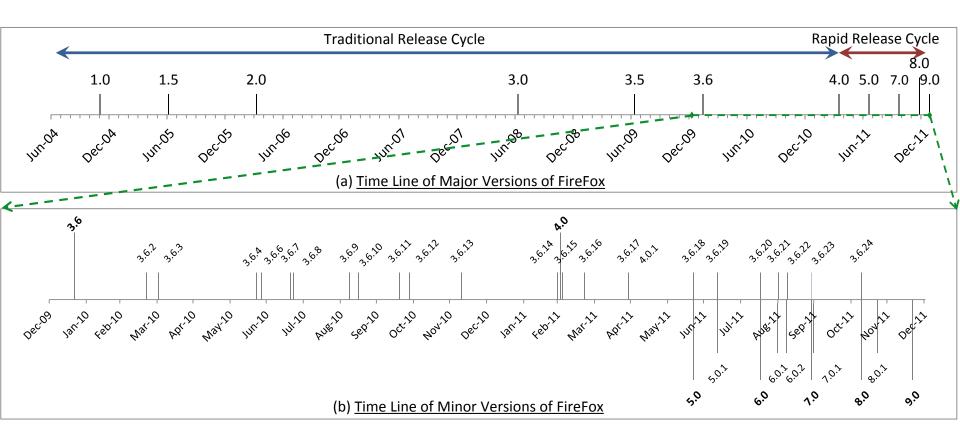
The Mining Repositories (MSR) field analyzes the rich data available in software repositories to uncover interesting and actionable information about software systems and projects.

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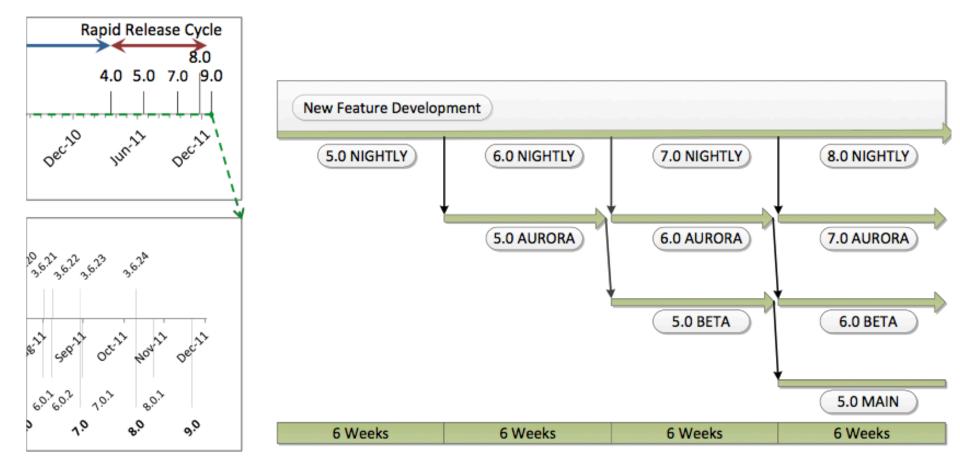
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- 2010 GNOME Projects
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bugs are fixed faster

 (but ... harder bugs propagated to later releases)
 amount of pre- & post-release bugs ± the same
 the program crashes earlier
 (perhaps due to recent features)

Recommender Systems

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9. Conclusion

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There are OO legacy systems too !

2. Reverse Engineering

How to understand your code

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Scalable approach

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To be really certain

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How to Refactor Your Code

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The most typical problems

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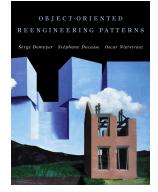
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Goals

We will try to convince you:

- Yes, Virginia, there are object-oriented legacy systems too!
 ... actually, that's a sign of health
- Reverse engineering and reengineering are essential activities in the lifecycle of any successful software system. (And especially OO ones!)
 - $\ensuremath{\,^{\mbox{\tiny \mbox{\tiny C}}}$ $\ensuremath{\,^{\mbox{\tiny C}}}$... consequently, do not consider it second class work
- There is a large set of lightweight tools and techniques to help you with reengineering.
 ... check our book, but remember the list is growing
- Despite these tools and techniques, people must do job and represent the most valuable resource.



… pick them carefully and reward them properly

\Rightarrow Did we convince you ?