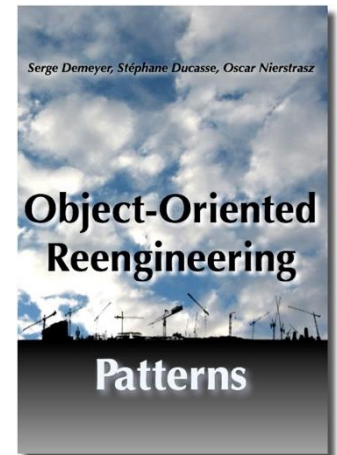
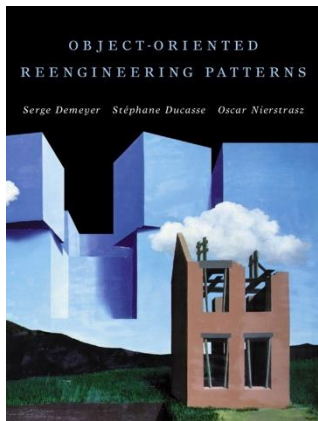


Software Product Design and Development II

CS 789

John Businge

<http://scg.unibe.ch/download/oorp/>





Overview of the Class

- <https://johnxu21.github.io/teaching/Software-Reengineering/>?

Schedule

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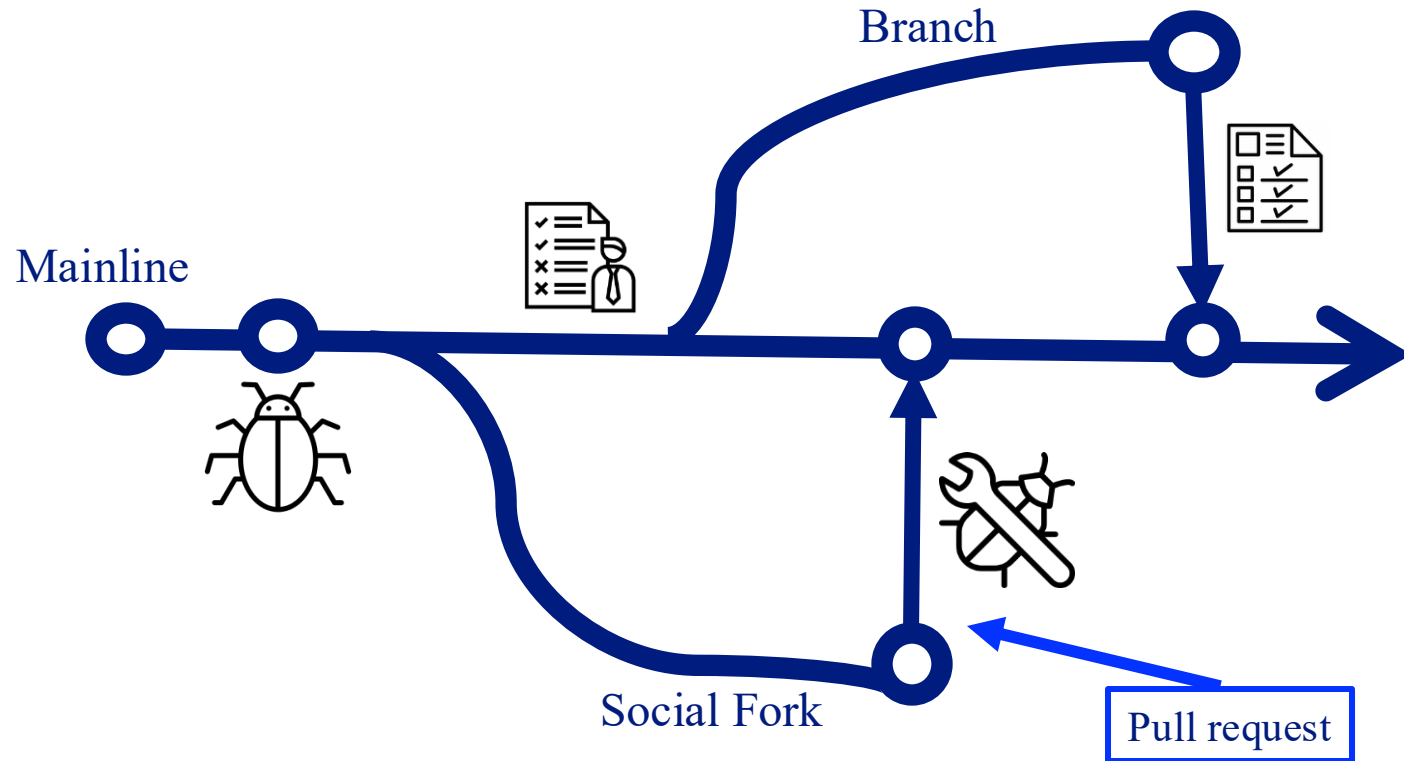


Goals

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- Programs change!
- Reverse engineering, forward 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.

Program Change



Software Maintenance - Cost

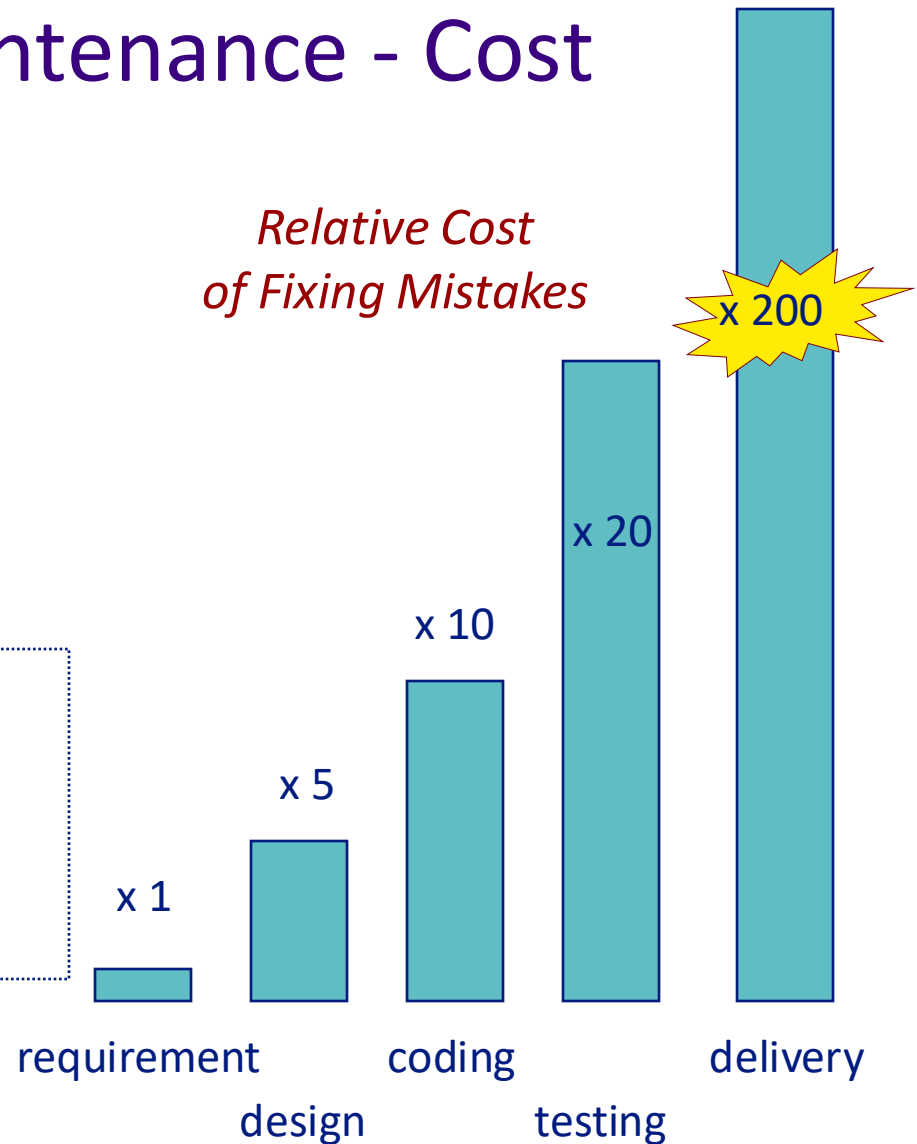
Relative Maintenance Effort

Between 50% and 75% of global effort is spent on “maintenance” !

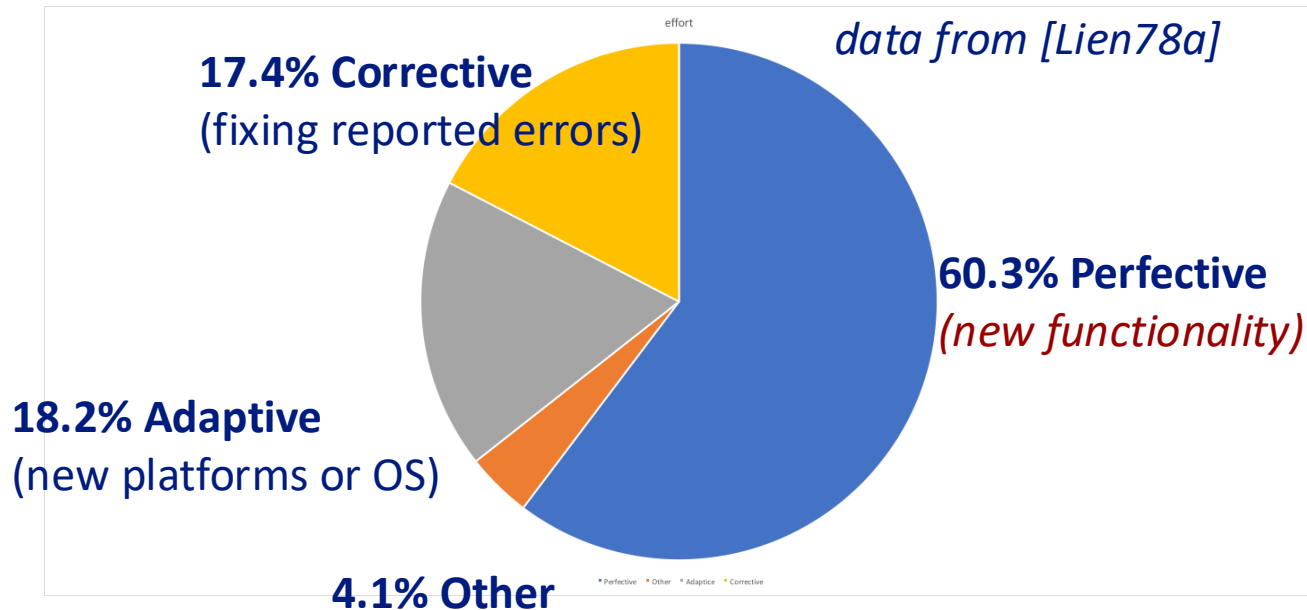
Solution ?

- Better requirements engineering?
- Better software methods & tools (database schemas, CASE-tools, objects, components, ...)?

Relative Cost of Fixing Mistakes



Continuous Development



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

Lehman's Laws

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

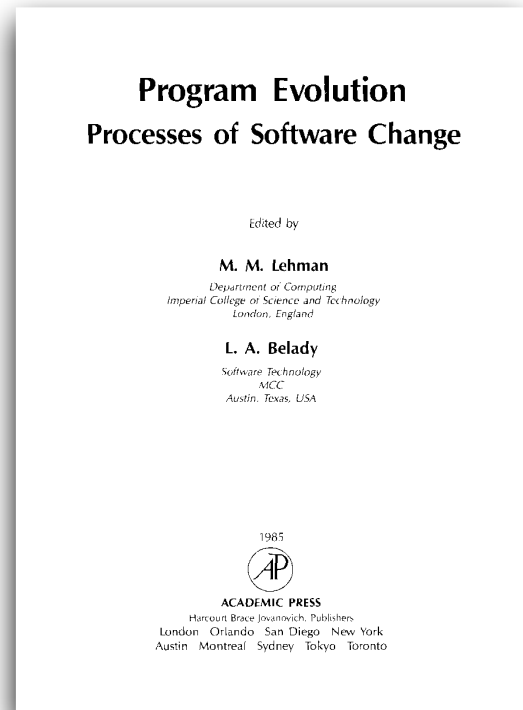
Continuing change

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

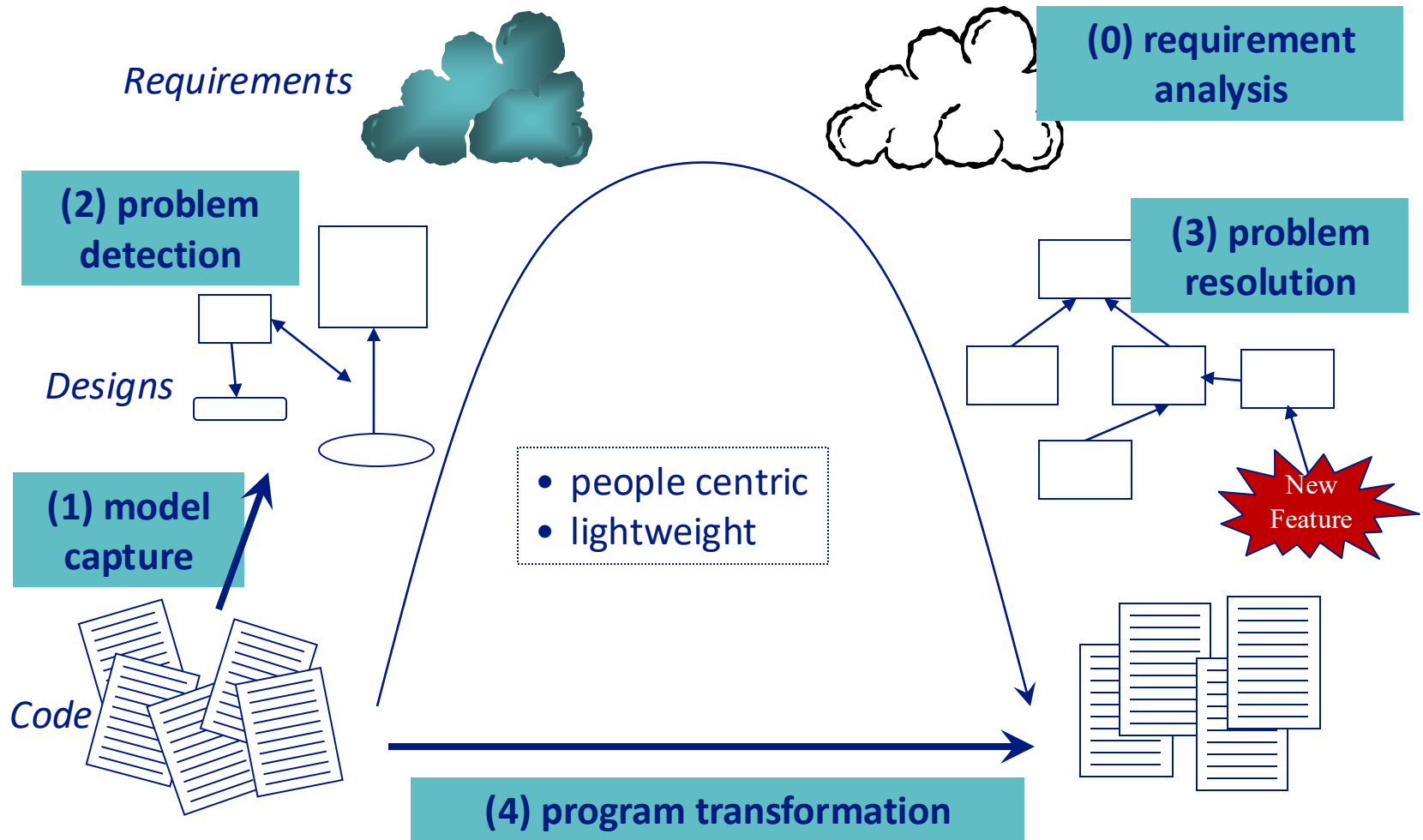
Increasing complexity

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

Those laws are still applicable...

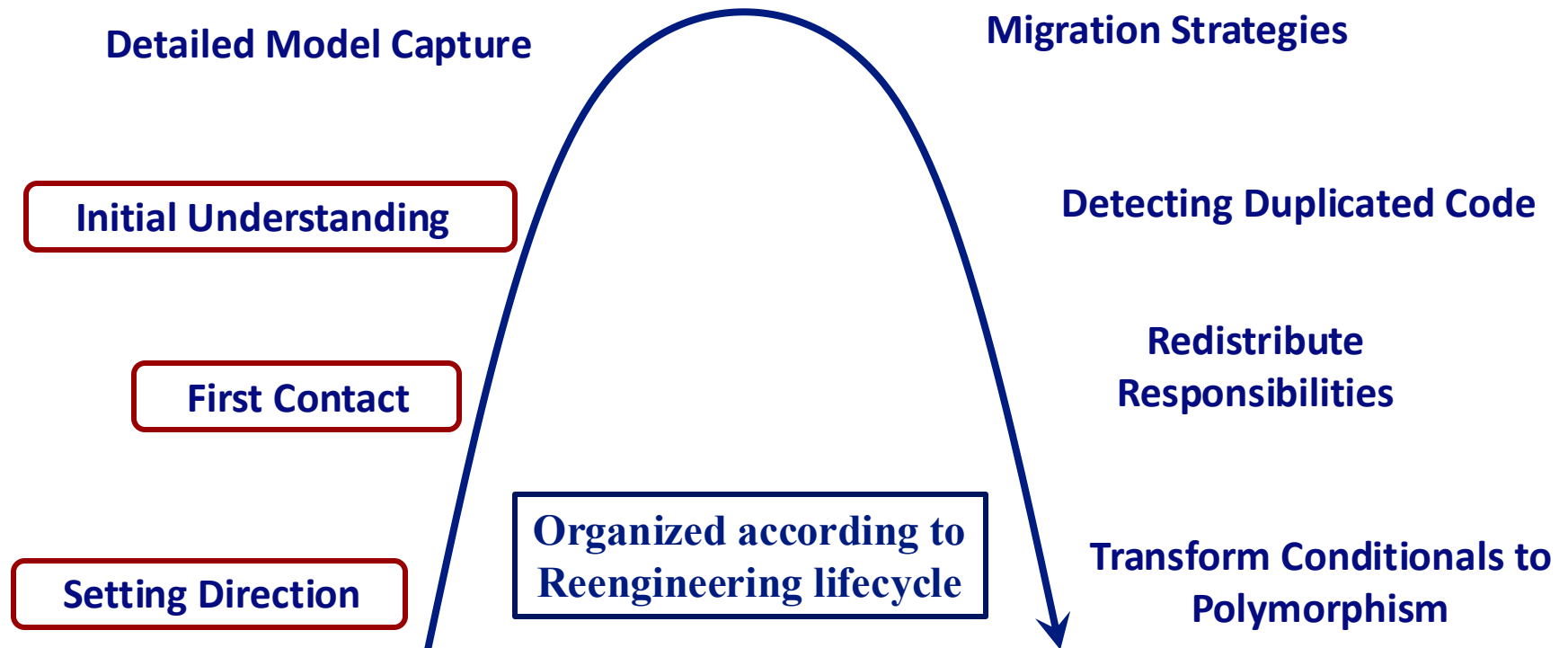


The Reengineering Life-Cycle



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

- + 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

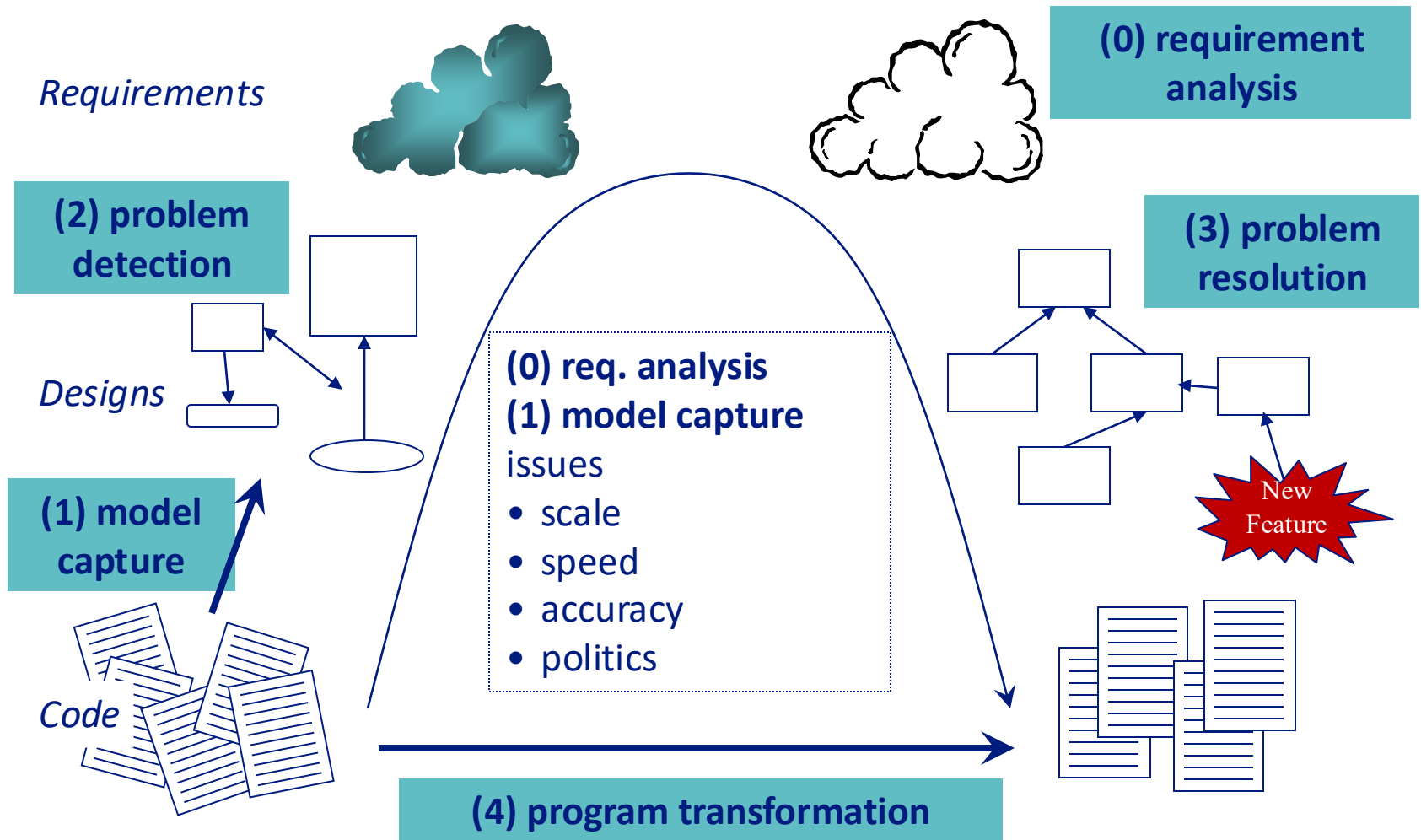
Motivation

Understanding other people's code

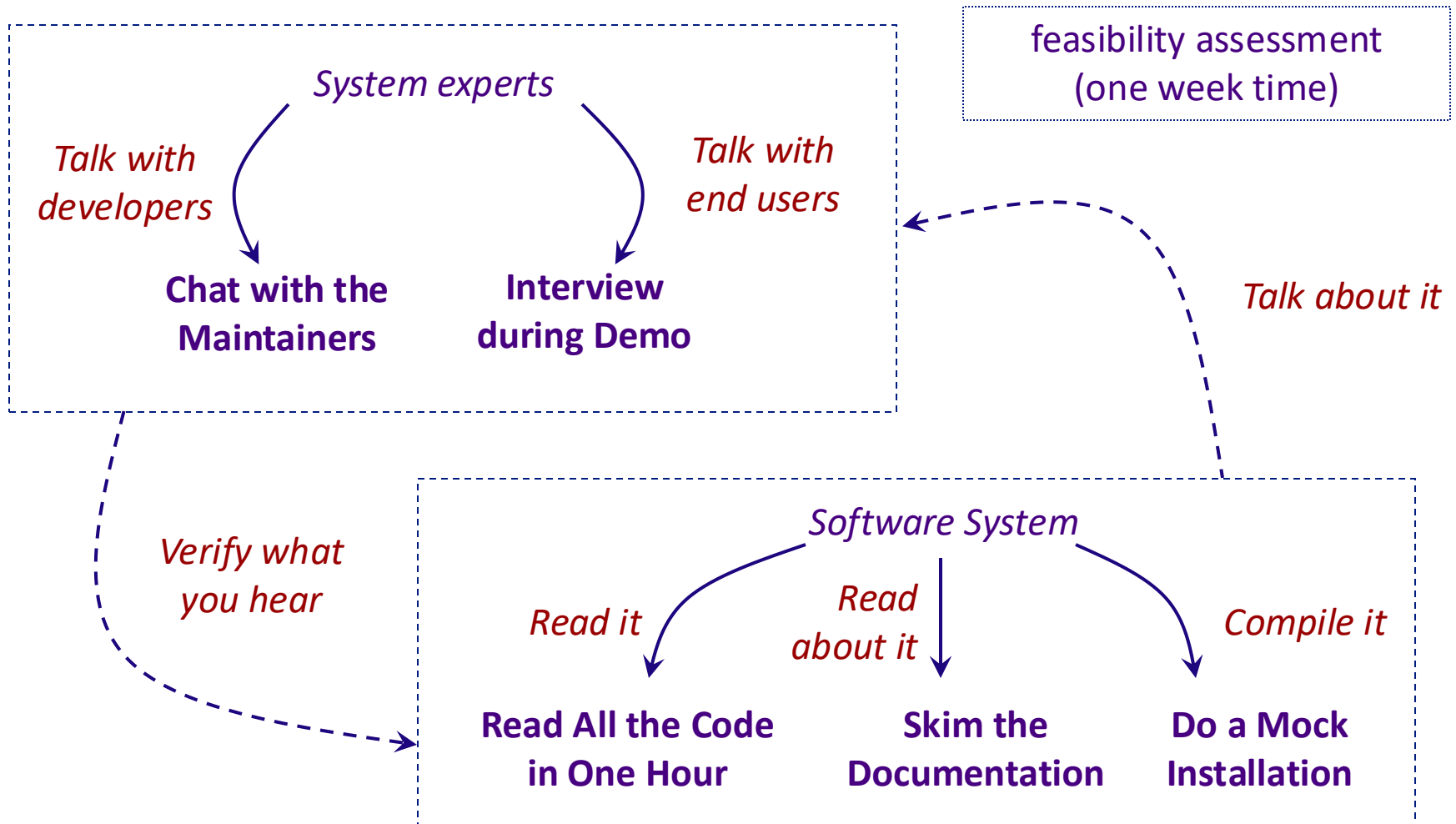
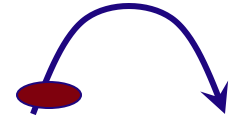
(cfr. newcomers in the team, code reviewing,
original developers left, ...)

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

The Reengineering Life-Cycle



First Contact



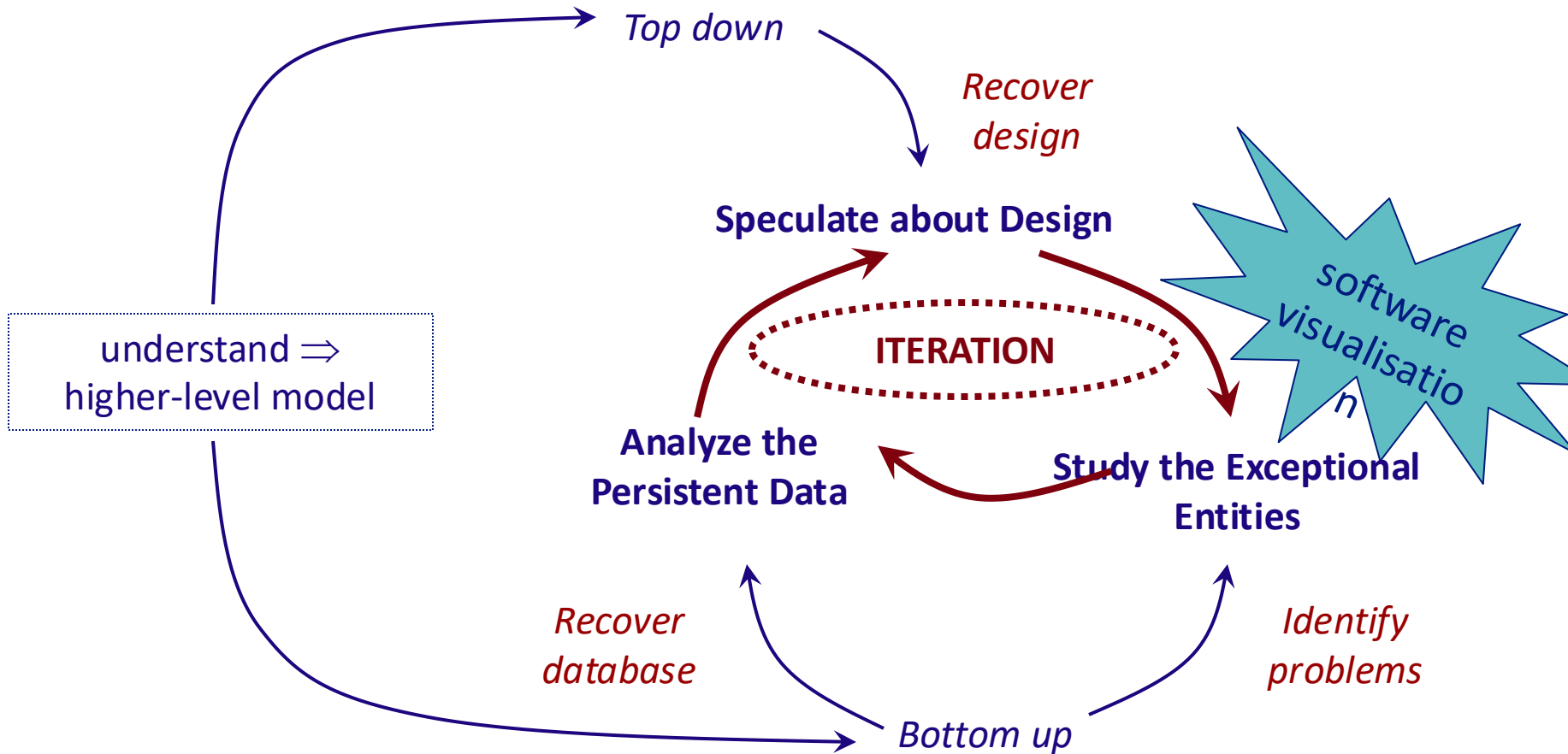
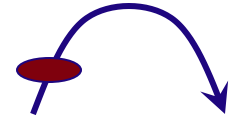
Interview during Demo

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
 - + What should you ask ?

Initial Understanding

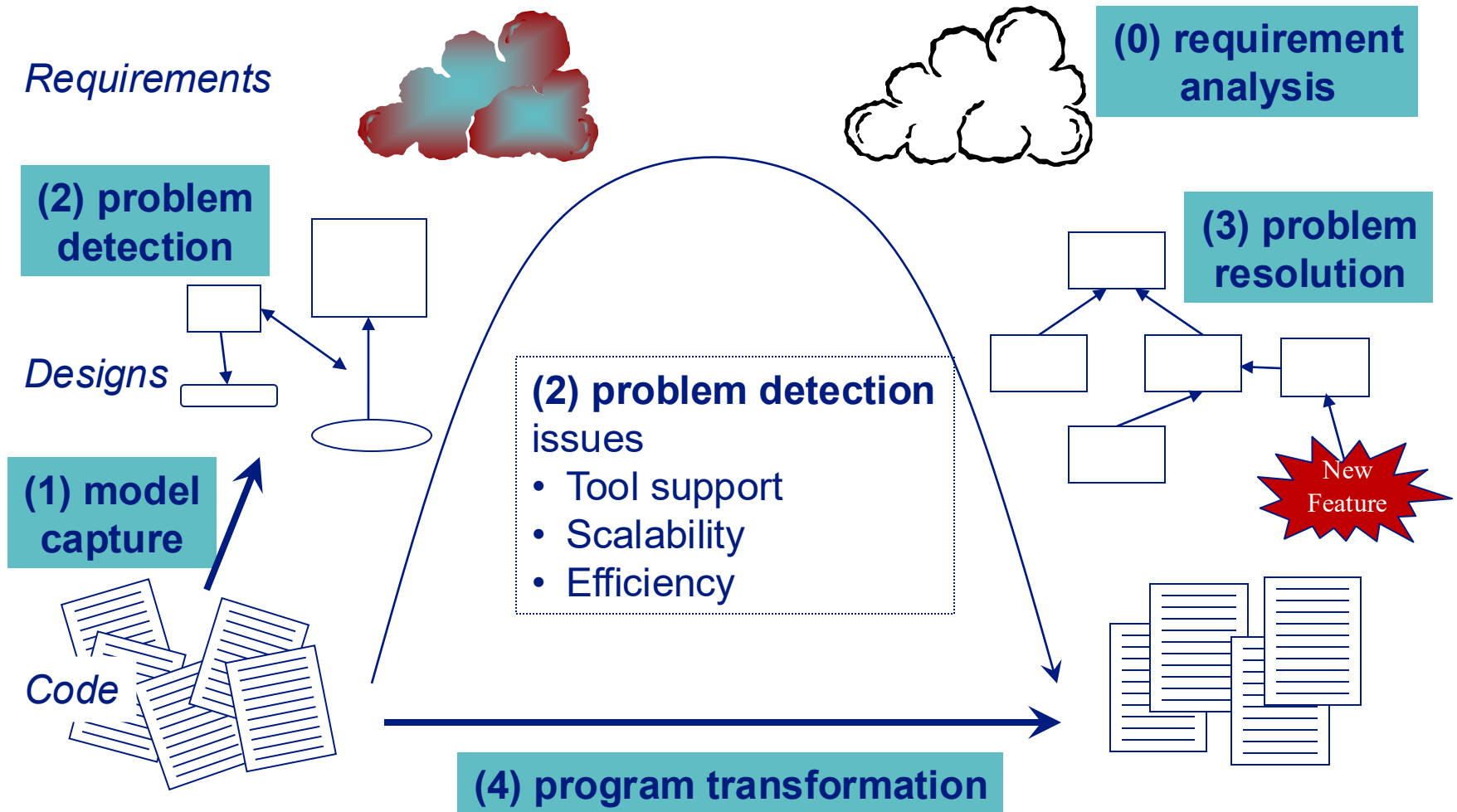


3. Software Visualization

- Introduction
 - + The Reengineering life-cycle
- Examples
- Lightweight Approaches
 - + tooling



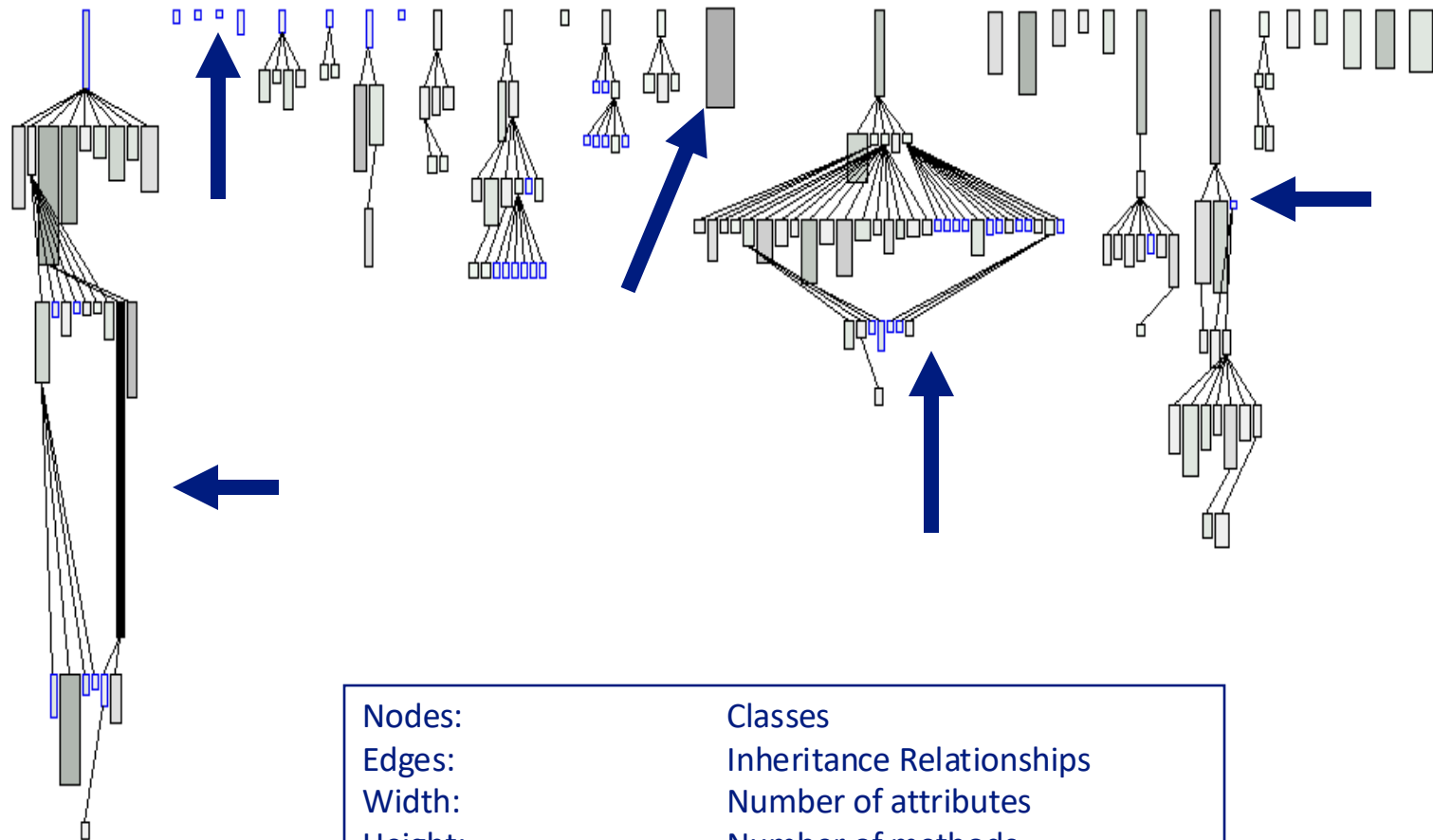
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UML Diagrams

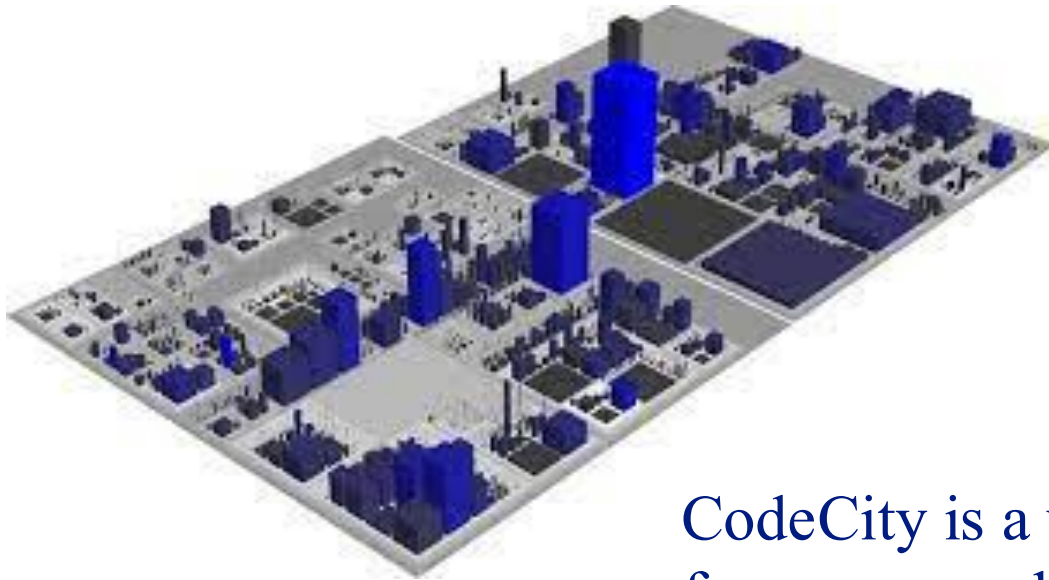
- (Mostly) Simple and Standard Way to present an abstract visualization of a system
- UML defines 14 diagrams
- Useful to plan and design the reengineering project
- You will be using UML diagrams to show the system before and after the change

System Complexity View



Nodes:	Classes
Edges:	Inheritance Relationships
Width:	Number of attributes
Height:	Number of methods
Color:	Number of lines of code

Code City



CodeCity is a visualization concept for source code.

The source code is shown as an interactive 3D city.

Code City

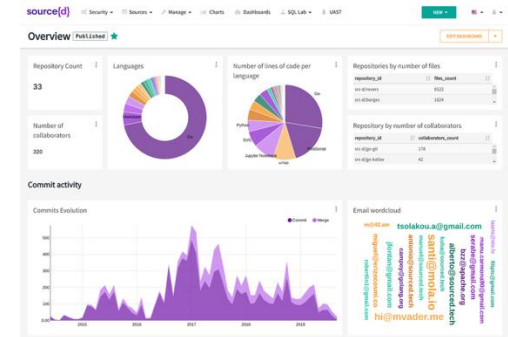
- Packages are “districts”, “neighborhoods,” or “city blocks”
- Each “building” represents a class \
- Width = Number of Attributes
- Height = Number of Methods
- Antennas => Classes with many methods and no attributes
- Parking lot => Classes with many attributes and no methods
- Skyscraper => Classes with a large number of methods and has many attributes

State of the Art Tooling

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<https://sourced.tech>

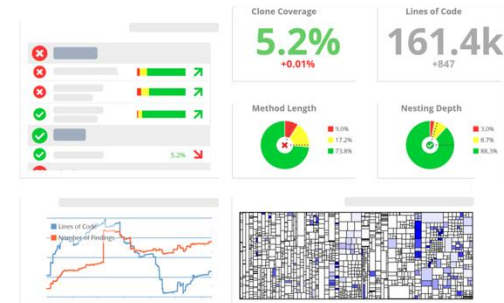
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2. teamscale

<https://www.cqse.eu/>

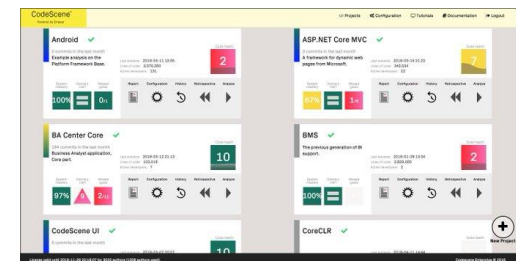
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3. codescene

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<https://github.com/empear-analytics>



4. Restructuring

Identifying refactoring targets

Redistribute Responsibilities

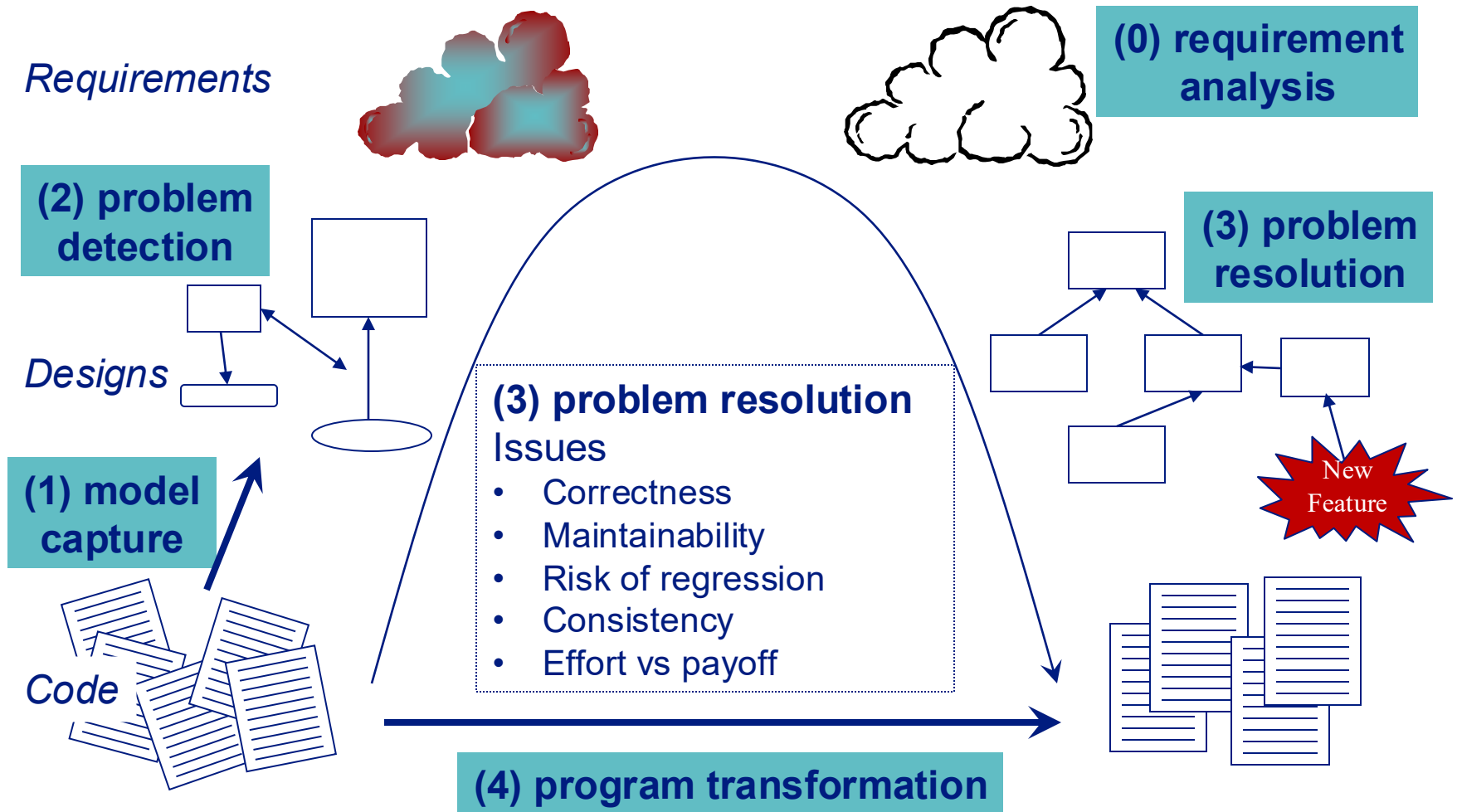
- + Move Behaviour Close to Data
- + Eliminate Navigation Code
- + Split up God Class
- + Empirical Validation



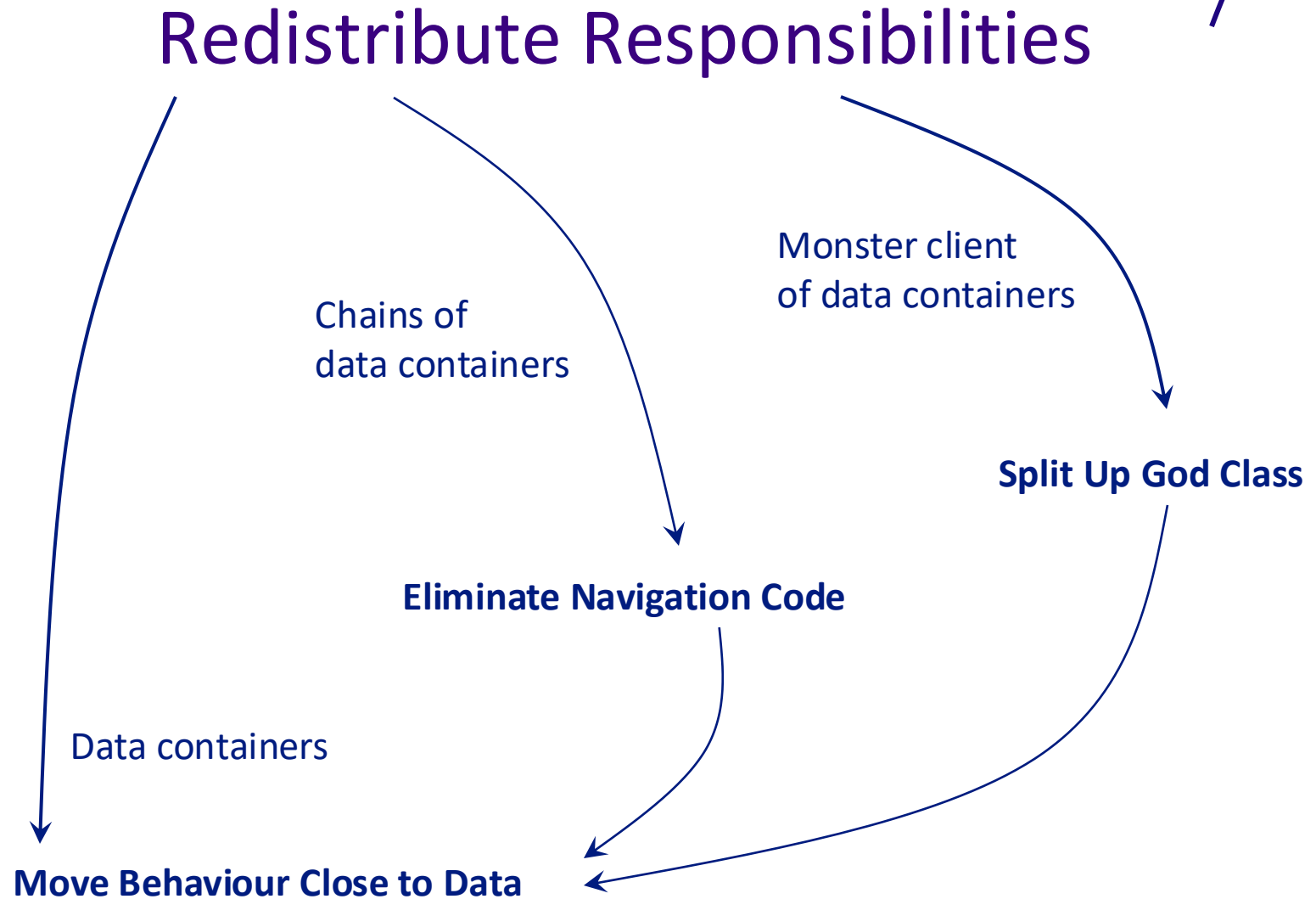
Identifying refactorings in code

- ❖ Refactoring-aware techniques

The Reengineering Life-cycle



Identifying Refactoring Targets



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
⇒ shield client classes from the god class

Split Up God Class

EmployeeManager
+hireEmployee(Employee employee) +terminateEmployee(int employeeld) +editEmployee(Employee employee) +addVacationTime(int employeeld, int days) +useVacationTime(int employeeld, int days) +addAddress(int employeeld, Address address) +removeAddress(int employeeld, int idAddress) +giveBonus(int employeeld, int bonus) +assignEquipment(int employeeld, Equipment equip) +giveRaise(int employeeld, int amount) +dockPay(int employeeld, int amount) +addSchedule(int employeeld, Schedule schedule) +addPhoneNumber(int employeeld, string phone)

EmployeeManager
+hireEmployee(Employee employee) +terminateEmployee(int employeeld) +editEmployee(Employee employee)

ScheduleManager
+addEmployeeSchedule(int employeeld, Schedule sch)

VacationManager
+addVacationTime(int employeeld, int days) +useVacationTime(int employeeld, int days)

PaymentManager
+giveBonus(int employeeld, int amount) +giveRaise(int employeeld, int amount) +dockPay(int employeeld, int amount)

EmployeeContactManager
+addAddress(int employeeld, Address address) +removeAddress(int employeeld, int addressId) +addPhoneNumber(int employeeld, string phone)

EquipmentManager
+assignEquipment(int employeeld, Equipment eq)

Refactoring-Aware Techniques

Many refactoring-aware techniques:

- IntelliMerge & Refmerge – merge branches
- APIDiff – adapt client software to library and framework updates
- Ogenrwot and Businge (SCAM 2025)

All developed in in the presence of refactoring operations.

Refactoring-Aware Techniques

- Accurate refactoring detection is required for the tools to be efficient
- RefactoringMiner (SOA tool) [Tsantalis et al. TSE'20]
- The tool takes an input two revisions (e.g. commits) and returns a list of refactorings

6. Dynamic Analysis (& Testing)

- Key Concept Identification
- Unit testing
- Test coverage
- Mutation testing



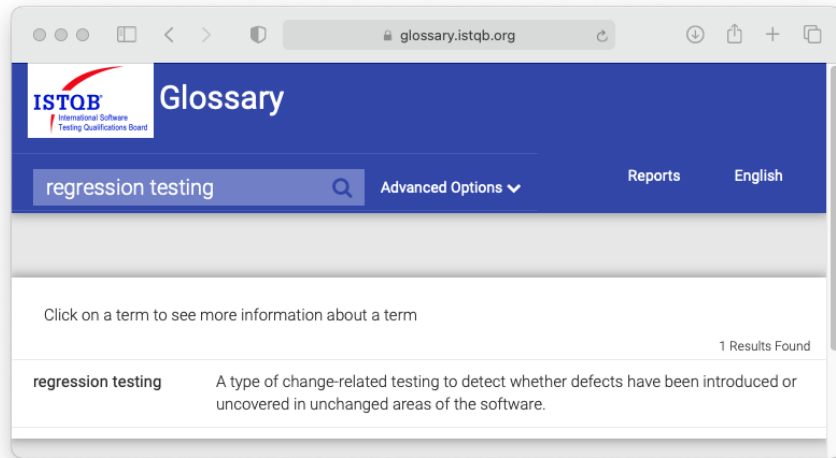
Introduction

- Dynamic Analysis verifies properties of a system during execution
- Testing Analysis is one example of Dynamic Analysis
 - + Unit tests, integration tests, system tests, and acceptance tests use dynamic testing

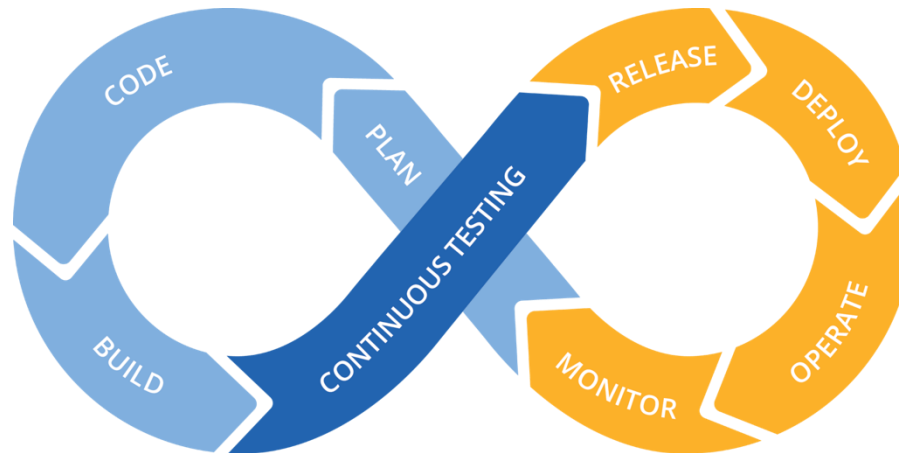
Testing

- Tests are your life insurance! (OORP, p. 149)
- Tests are essential to assure the quality of refactoring activities.
- Write Tests to Enable Evolution (OORP, p.153)
 - + Good tests can find bugs on your artifact
 - + Tests can also detect unwanted behavior
- You can also write tests to understand a part of a system (OORP, p.179)

Regression Testing



A type of change-related testing to detect whether defects have been introduced or uncovered in unchanged areas of the software.



Coverage

LCOV - code coverage report

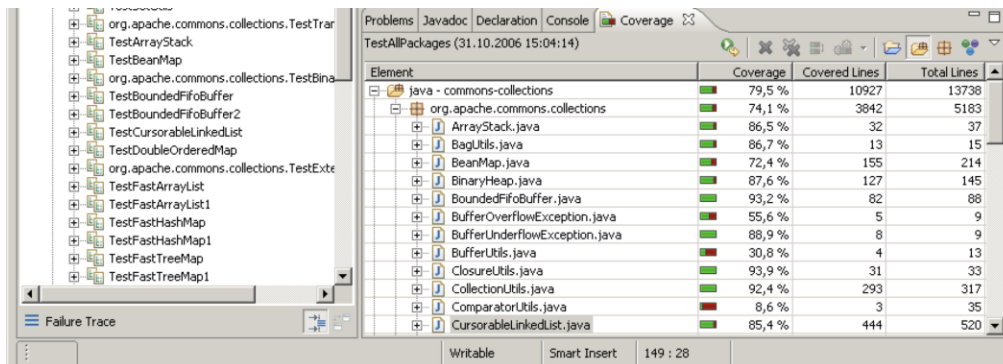
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Test: libbash test coverage	Lines: 20640	34749
Date: 2011-05-26	Functions: 1184	1287
	Branches: 15689	37086

Directory	Line Coverage	Functions
src/core	95.7 % 314 / 328	98.2 % 55 / 56
test	97.0 % 98 / 101	100.0 % 72 / 72
src/builtins/tests	98.6 % 144 / 146	100.0 % 203 / 203
src/builtins	98.6 % 214 / 217	100.0 % 45 / 45
src/core/tests	98.9 % 351 / 355	99.3 % 133 / 134
./src/builtins	100.0 % 9 / 9	93.3 % 14 / 15
src	100.0 % 35 / 35	91.7 % 11 / 12
./src/core	100.0 % 190 / 190	98.0 % 99 / 101

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Are the areas under change sufficiently covered by the current test suite?

Compare coverage reports before and after refactoring!



5. Code integration

- Version Control Systems
- Branching
- Merging/integration
- Merge conflicts

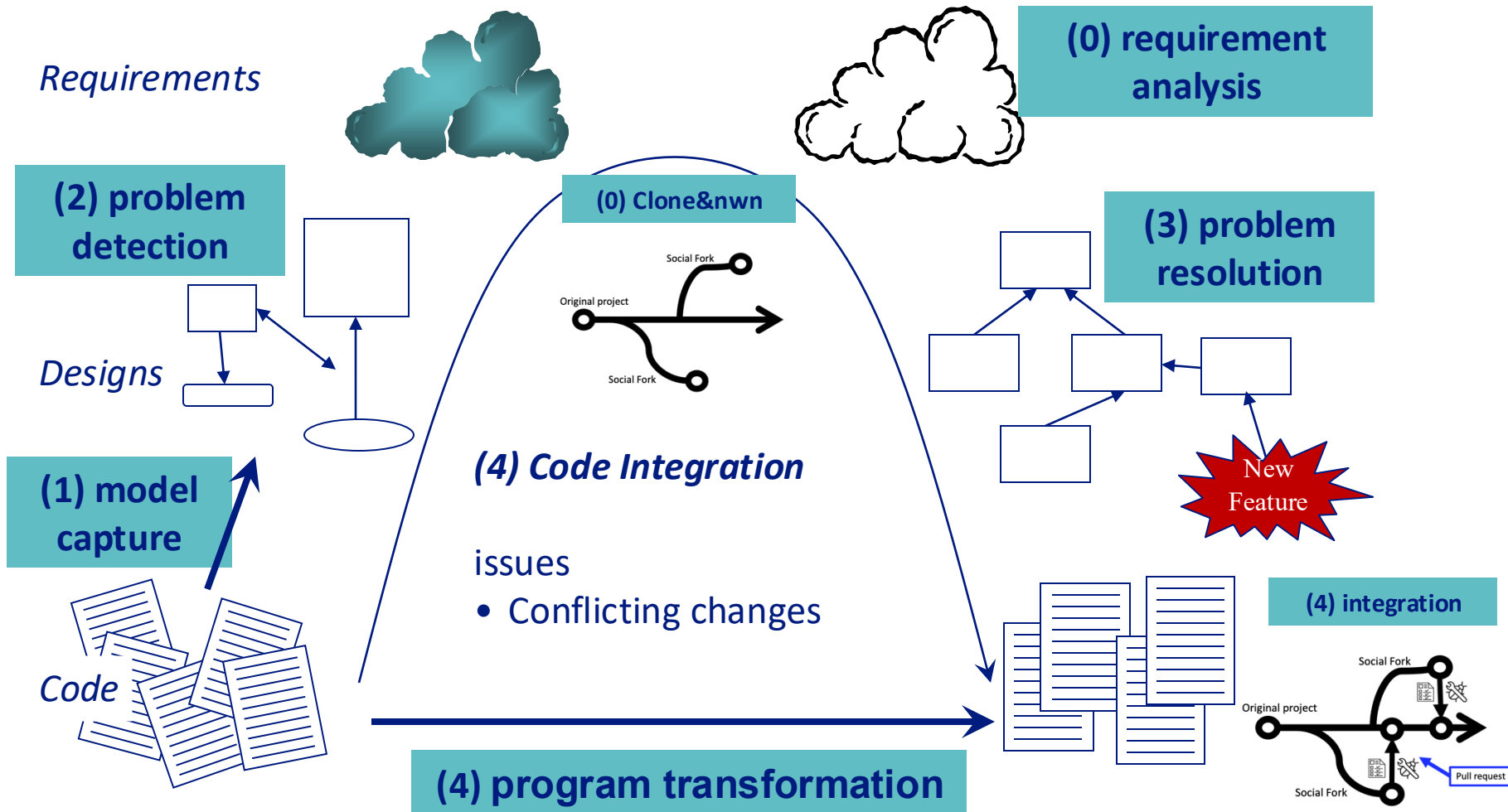


Does not exist in the book

[Demeyer, Ducasse and Nierstrasz: Object-Oriented Reengineering Patterns]

Published work by researchers will be used

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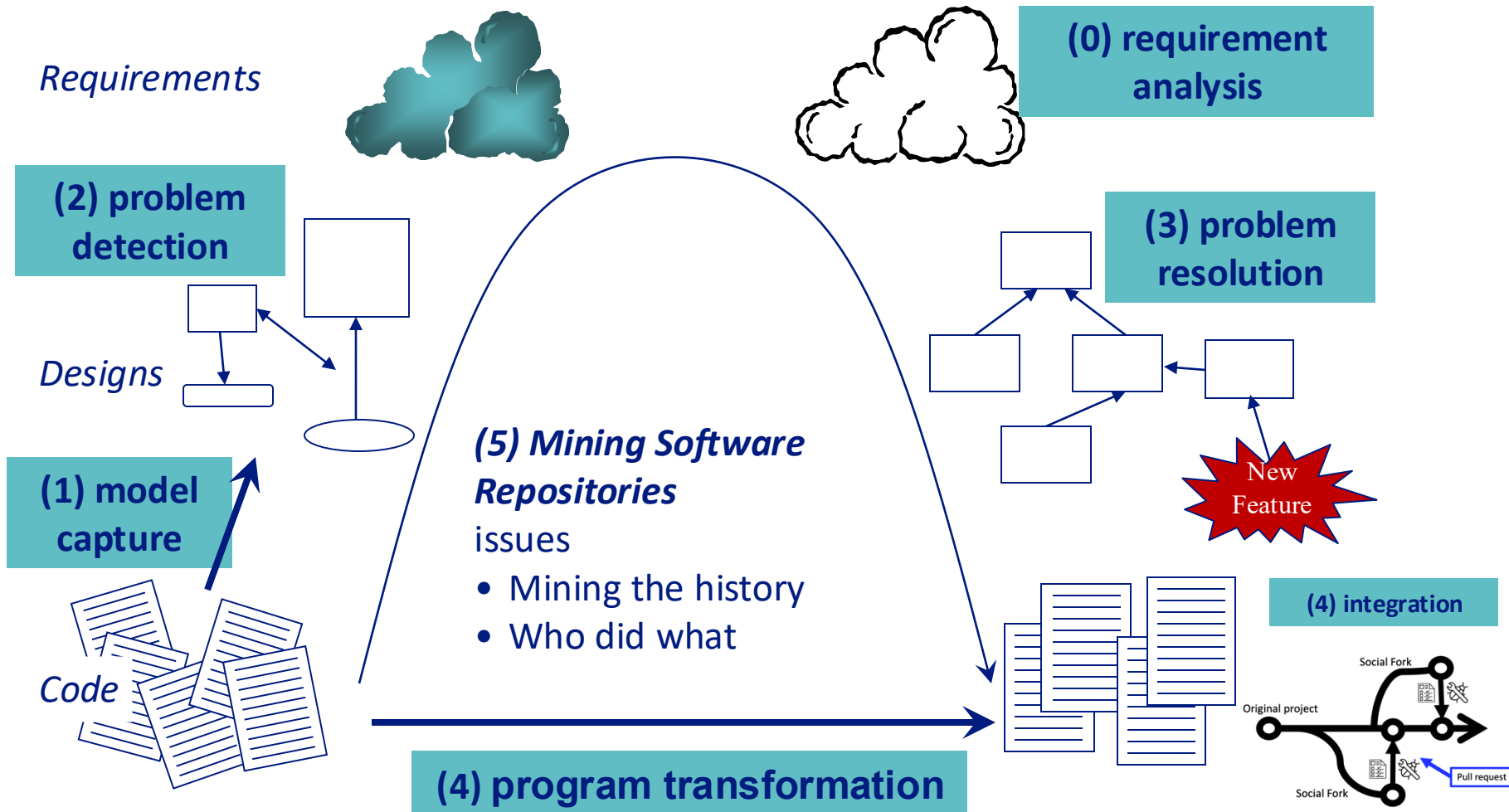
- Compare Code Mechanically (OORP, p.227)
 - Begins with mechanical comparison of patches across repositories
- Detecting Duplicated Code (OORP, p.223)
 - Identifying a reusable patch between forks is a duplicate detection problem
- Most Valuable First (OORP, p.29)
 - Not every patch can or should be integrated.
- Write Tests to Understand (OORP, p.179)
 - After integration, tests ensure functional behavior holds in the target.

7. Mining Software Repositories (MSR)

- What are software repositories?
- Why should we mine Software repositories?
- What are some of the data sources of software engineering data?
- What are some of the existing tools we can use to mine software engineering data
- What can we learn from MSR



The Reengineering Life-Cycle



What is a Software Repository?

Artifacts produced and archived during software development

- Technical artifacts
- Social artifacts



What is a Software Repository?

The screenshot shows the Apache Kafka repository on GitHub. Several elements are highlighted with blue boxes and connected by red arrows:

- Repository Name:** `apache / kafka` (Public)
- Watchers:** 1.1k
- Forks:** 11.3k
- Stars:** 21.5k
- Pull requests:** 953 Open, 11,016 Closed
- Latest Commit:** `ijuma KAFKA-13418` (Support key updates with TLS 1.3 (#11966)) 12 hours ago, 9,874 commits
- Contributors:** 884 contributors, including a highlighted version `1.7` and `+ 873 contributors`
- Languages:** Java 74.2%, Scala 22.7%, Python 2.7%, Shell 0.2%, Roff 0.1%, Batchfile 0.1%
- Files:** `config` (MINOR), `connect` (KAFKA), `core` (MINOR), `docs` (KAFKA), `examples`, `generator/src`, `gradle`, `jmh-benchmarks`, `licenses`
- Download Section:** **DOWNLOAD** 3.1.0 (Released January 24, 2022), 3.0.0 (Released September 21, 2021), 2.8.0 (Released April 19, 2021), 2.7.0 (Released Dec 21, 2020), 2.6.0 (Released Aug 3, 2020)

Red arrows indicate the flow of information from the repository name to the pull requests, then to the latest commit, and finally to the contributors and languages sections.

Apache Kafka is a distributed event store and stream-processing platform

Why should we mine Software repositories?

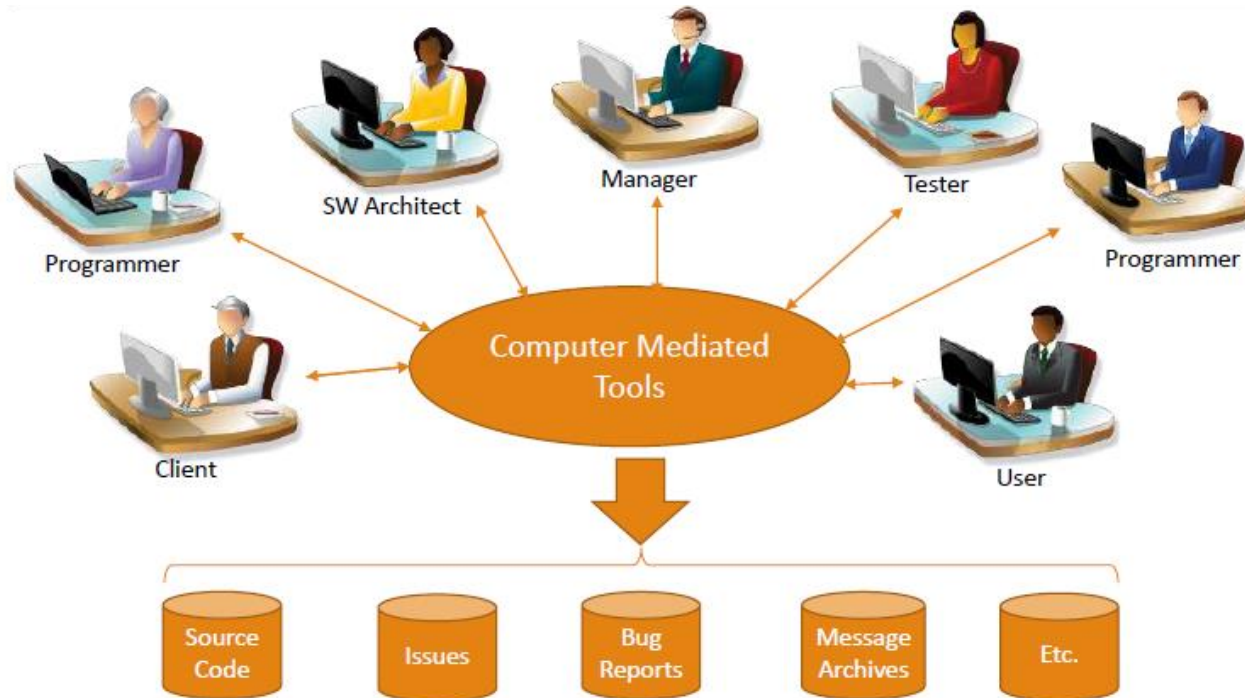
The goal ... is to improve software engineering practices by uncovering interesting and actionable information about software systems and projects using the vast amounts of software data

- + Understand software development process
- + Support and/or improve the maintenance of software systems
- + Exploit knowledge in planning the future development

- If the data analysis is not carefully designed and executed, it can lead to invalid conclusions



What are some of the data sources of software engineering data?



Current and historical artifacts and interactions are registered in software repositories

This list is not exhaustive.

Qn. What are some of the additional software engineering data sources that can be maintained?

What are some of the existing tools we can use to mine software engineering data?

PyDriller

A Python framework that helps developers in analyzing Git repositories. With PyDriller you can easily extract information about **commits**, **developers**, **modified files**, **diffs**, and **source code**.

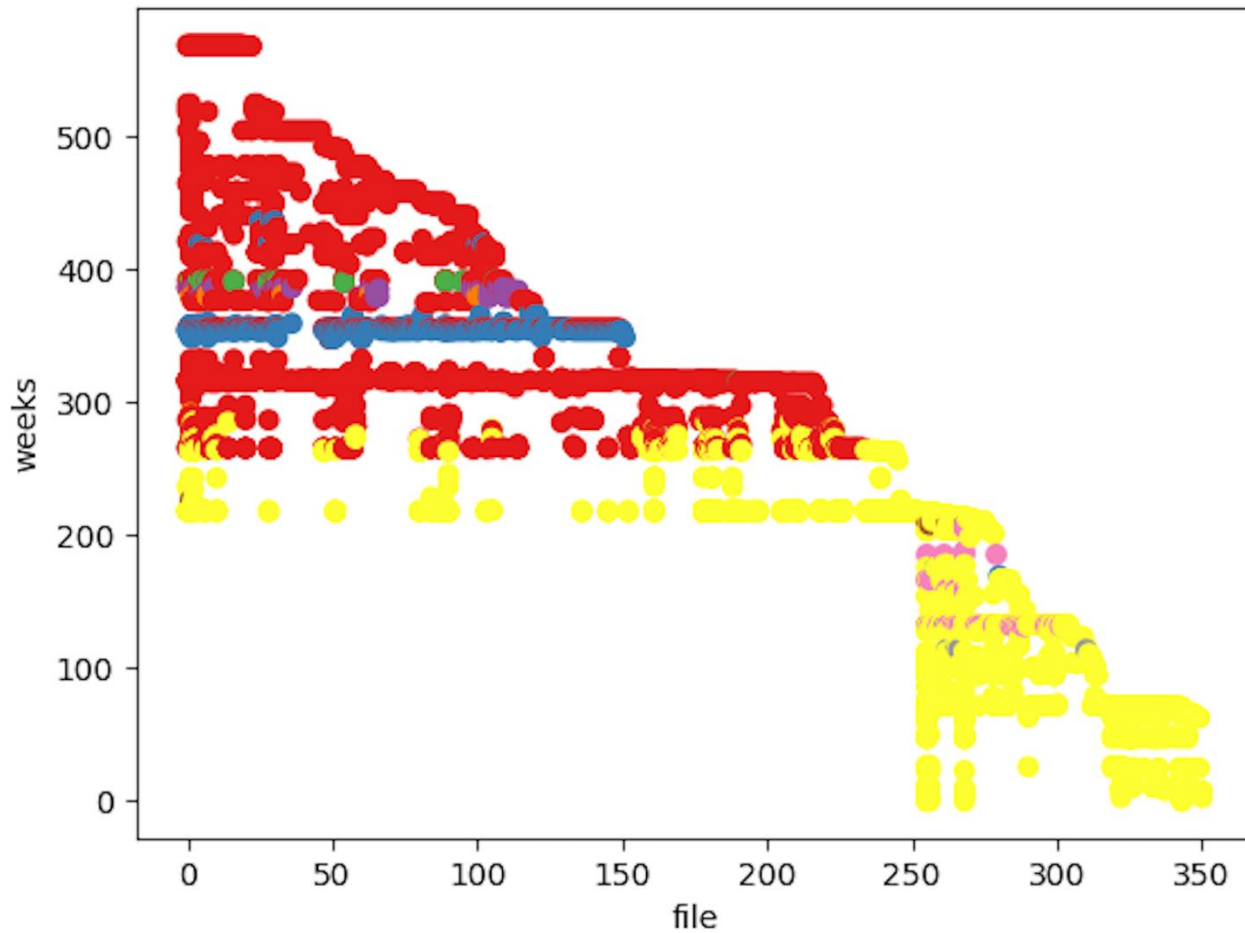
RepoDriller

A Java framework that helps developers on mining software repositories. With it, you can easily extract information from any Git repository, such as commits, developers, modifications, diffs, and source codes, and quickly export CSV files.

Build your own tool/script

Sometimes/ most of the times, you have to build your own tool or script to mine your own data

Developers who touched files



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