

Extending the JDT

- Can be fun, if
 - API exposes what you need to see
 - Extension points exist where you want to adapt
- JDT offers a wealth of API and extension points
- Not every RFE can create new API
 - Conflicts with other clients
 - Performance impact
 - Maintenance costs
- What if your RFE gets rejected?
 - **Abandon your project?**
 - **Copy&Paste**
 - **Use Object Teams**

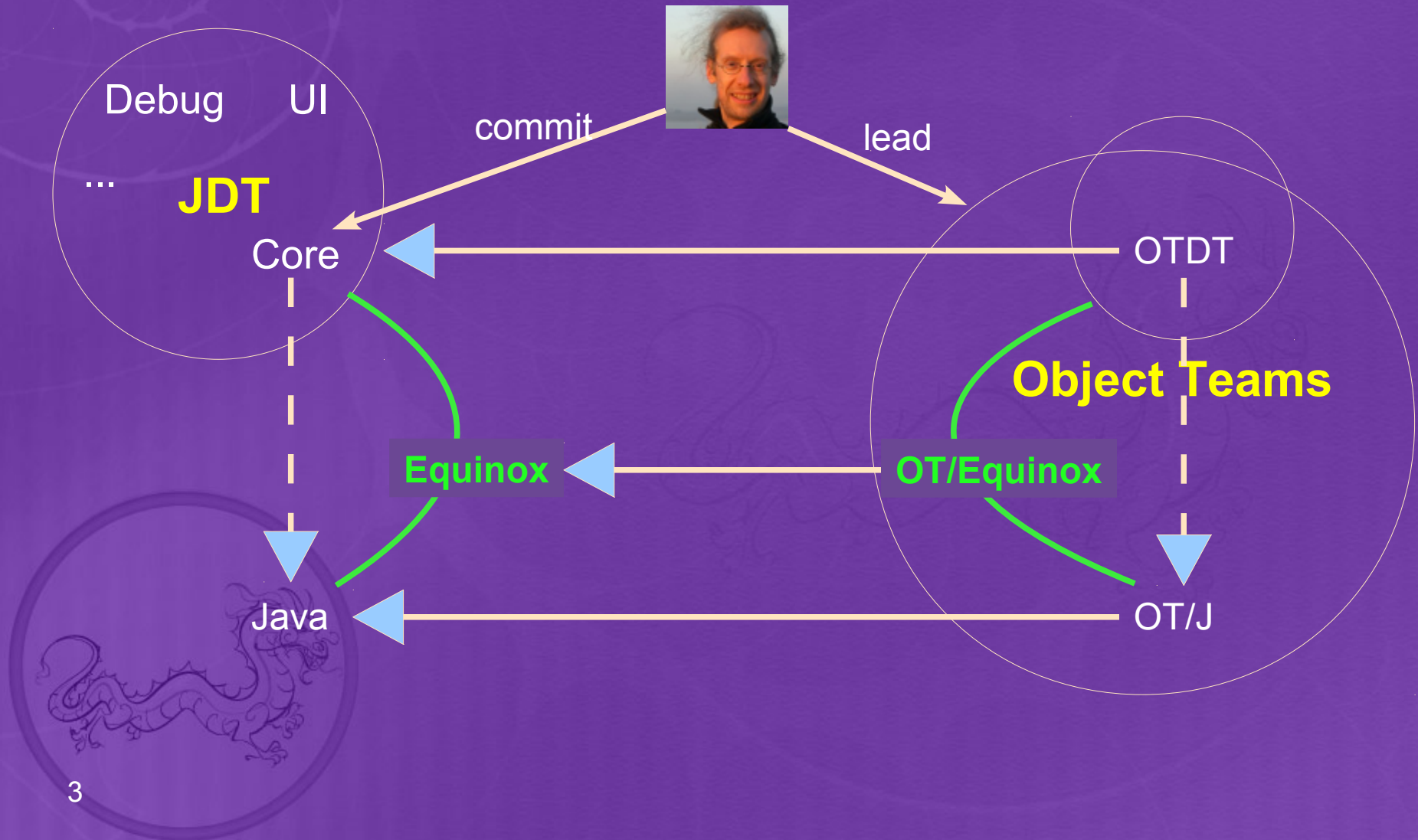
The JDT Dragon meets Object Teams

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Relation between two Projects



Cheat with Style

- **What if API is missing?**
 - Ignore restrictions, even private
- **What if extension point is missing?**
 - We have other means for extending:
 - specialize instances not classes
- **What about maintainability?**
 - Do minimal harm
 - Group extensions to higher-level modules: **teams**.



Exercise Stopwatch

- New → Example → Stop Watch Example
- src / ... / Main.java
→ Run As → Java Application

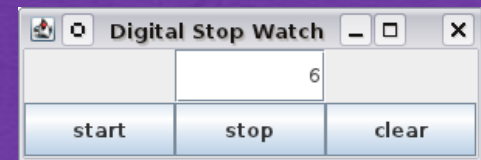
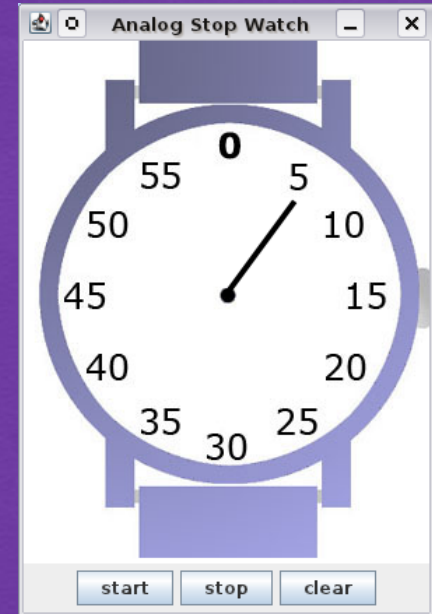
Note: to stop application click  (Console view)

Find role class WatchUI.WatchDisplay:

- When are instances of this role created ?
- When is its method update() called?

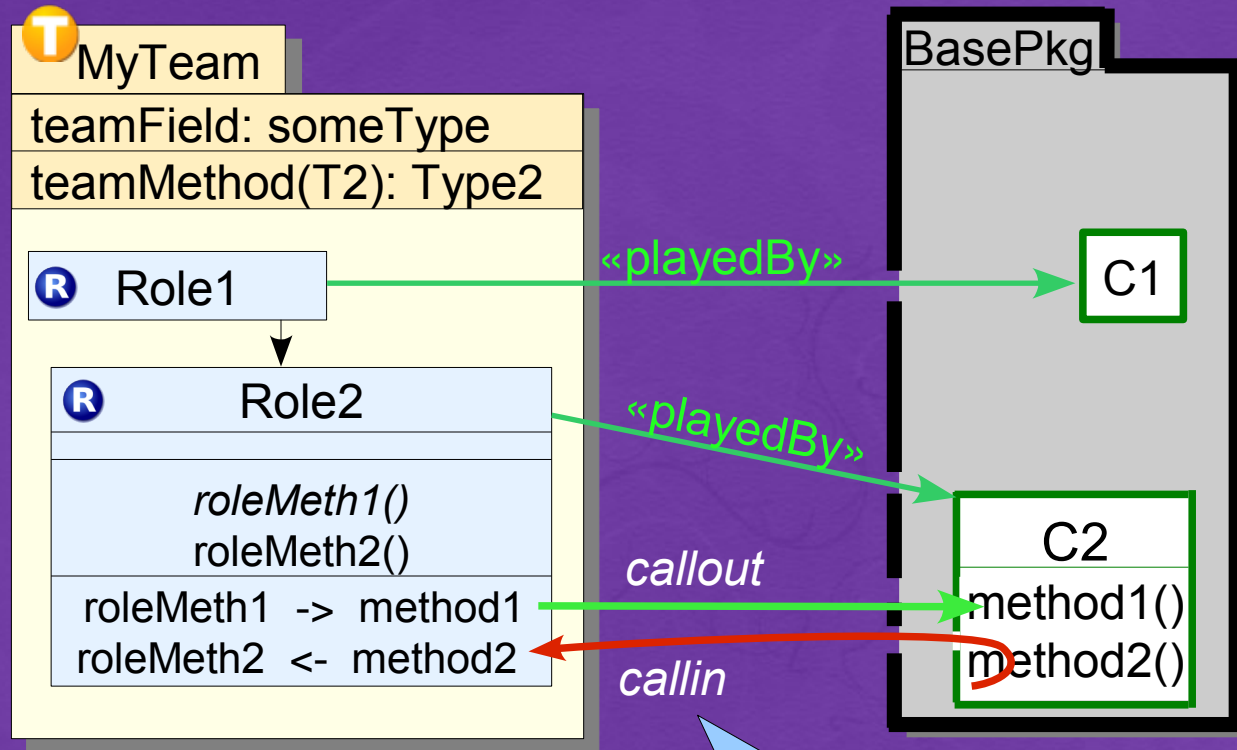
Extra (Demo):

- Terminate application when watch is reset at 3 seconds.



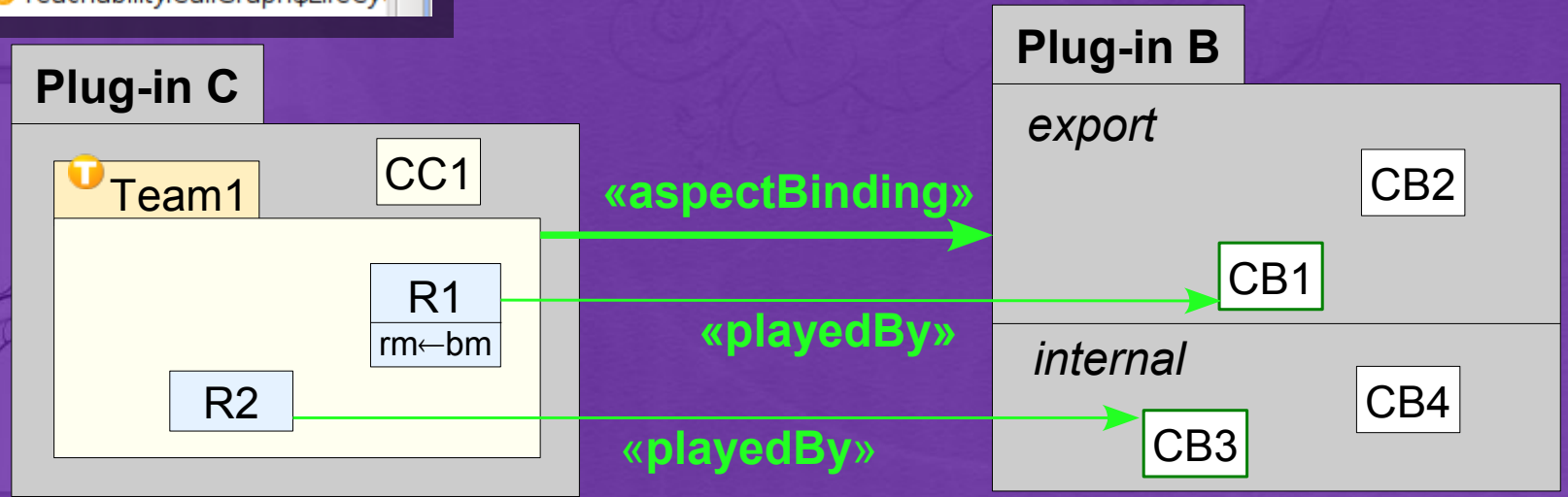
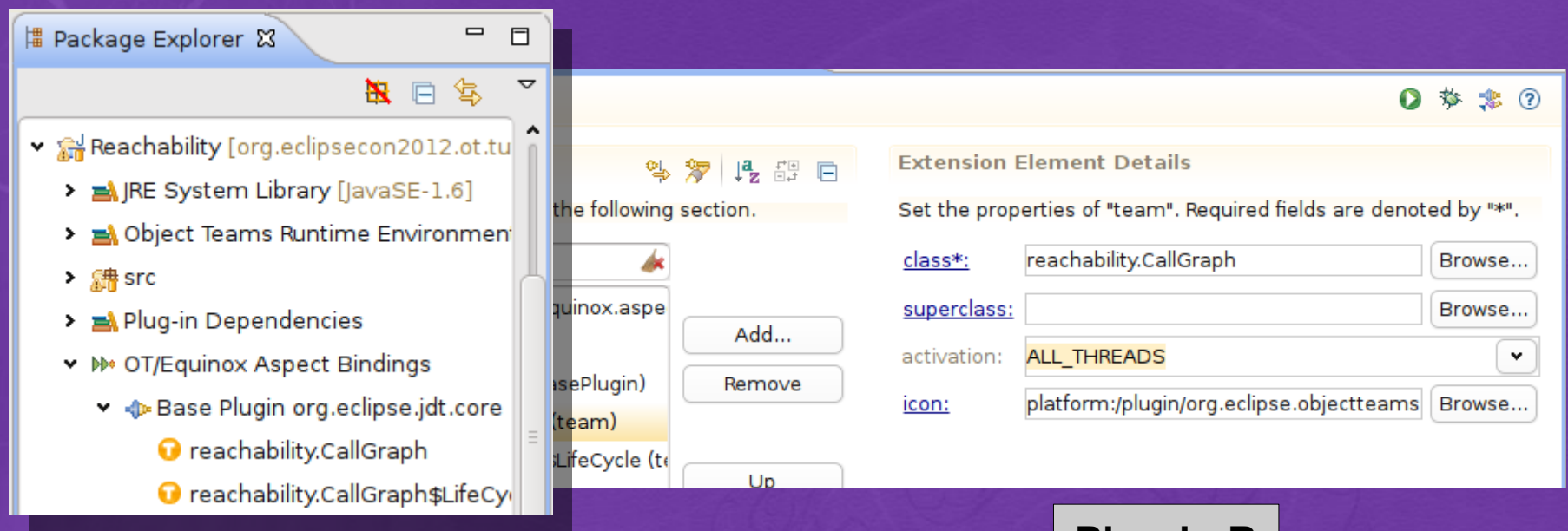
Object Teams in a nutshell

- **team**
collaboration module
- **role**
members of a team
- **playedBy**
connect role to base
- **callout**
forward to base
- **callin**
intercept base method
- **decapsulation**
break base encapsulation



Flavors:
 • before
 • after
 • replace

OT/Equinox



Exercise: AntiDemo Plug-in

- Write a new Plug-in
 - adapting org.eclipse.jdt.core
- Change the Java naming rules
 - Class names cannot start with “Foo”
 - Hint: `JavaConventions#validateXZY()`
- In a runtime workbench
 - Try to create a class “Foobar”
 - Be inventive!

Note: you may need to scroll to see

Enable OT/Equinox

Demo: Reachability Analysis

Implement a Plug-in that finds unreachable code.

- All “main” methods are considered reachable.
- All methods called from a reachable method are also reachable.
 - Method calls inside dead code should not be considered.
(e.g. “if (false) m();”)
- Analyzing method calls must consider polymorphism /overriding.
- Methods that are only called from unreachable methods are not reachable (including “islands”: cycles of unreachable methods).

Need a whole-system call graph.
+ local flow analysis
+ inheritance information

Design

Piggy-back on the JDT compiler

- Find all **MethodDeclarations** during **resolve**
 - Record start nodes, like “main” methods
- Create a graph of **MethodBindings**
 - Connect nodes when **analysing MessageSends**
 - Ignore calls in **dead code**
- Start from set of all methods
 - subtract all methods reachable from a start node
 - consider **method overriding**
- Only work during full build
 - report remaining methods after subtracting

No Limits – No Pain



- ▶ **playedBy:** every object is extensible
 - ▶▶ **callout:** every method / field can be made accessible
 - ▶▶ **callin:** every method is overridable
 - ⚠ warnings for decapsulation: proceed at your own (low) risk
 - interface (bidirectional) fully explicit
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- lean & mean = powerful & maintainable

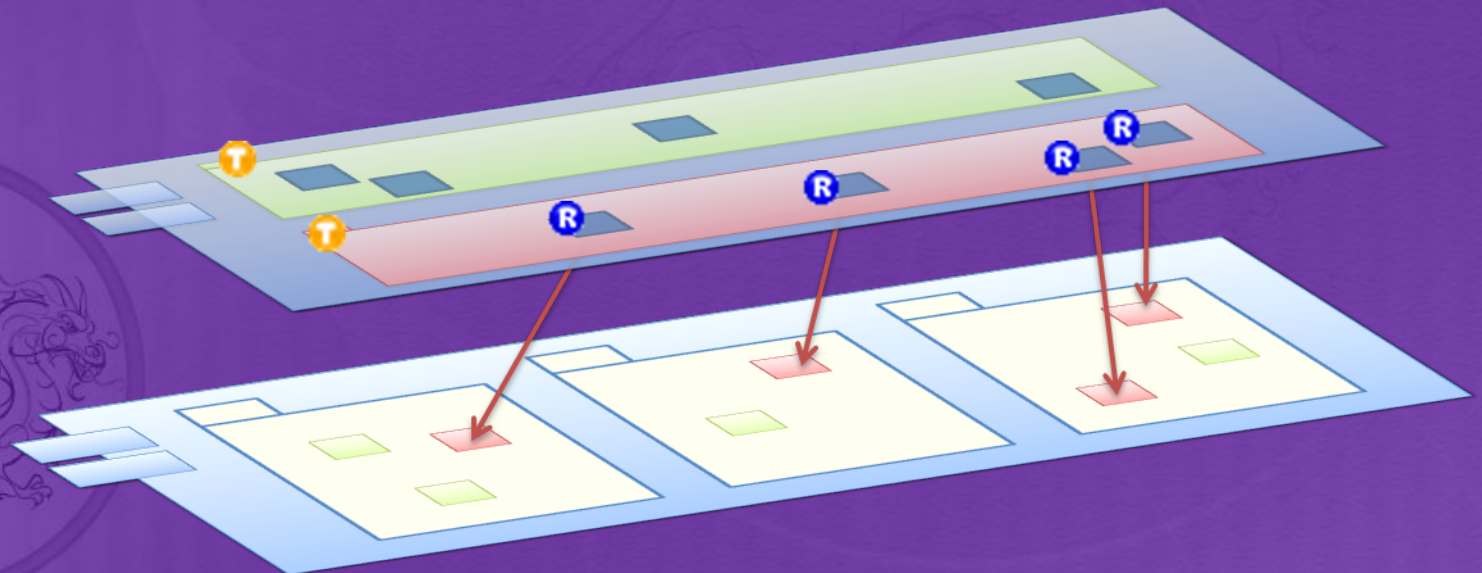


Extending the JDT into new Dimensions



Each feature is a module / team

- Define suitable structure using teams & roles
- Create connections using playedBy, callout & callin



Summary

- JDT delivers powerful program manipulation services
 - Java Model, Search engine and DOM AST
 - Use them to add your own tool to the Eclipse Java IDE
 - but also in headless mode (can be used programmatically)
 - E.g. EMF, metrics tools, ...
 - Full J2SE 5.0/6.0/7.0 support
 - Full-fledged batch compiler
- Community feedback is essential
 - bug reports:
https://bugs.eclipse.org/bugs/enter_bug.cgi?product=JDT
 - Forum:
<http://www.eclipse.org/forums/index.php/f/13>

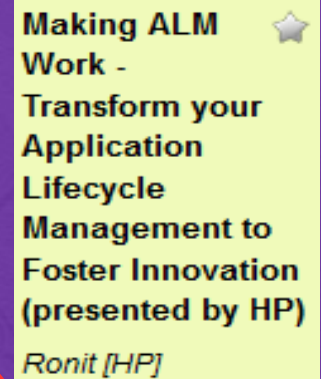
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