

# Churrasco: Supporting Collaborative Software Evolution Analysis

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## Requirements for (sw evo) tools



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## (Some) Perspectives on evolution



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- Change impact analysis
- Co-change analysis
- Aspects evolution
- Evolution metrics
- Architecture recovery
- Effort estimation
- Traceability analysis



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Evolution of:

Bug reports

Programs

Architectures

Test cases

Log files

Models

Documentation

Meta-models

Version control information

Language descriptions

Requirement specifications

APIs

Release histories

Protocols

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**Academic software**



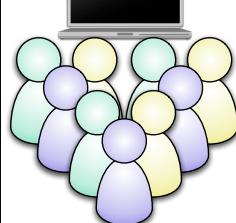
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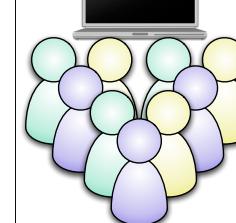
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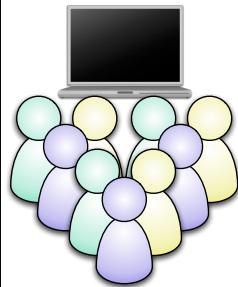
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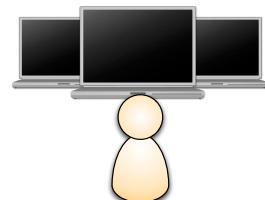
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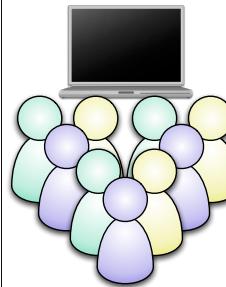
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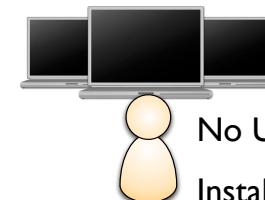
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**Tool accessibility**

No UI/HCI design

Installation/Configuration

Used only by the creators

Exceptions:

Moose      Rigi

Kenyon      ...

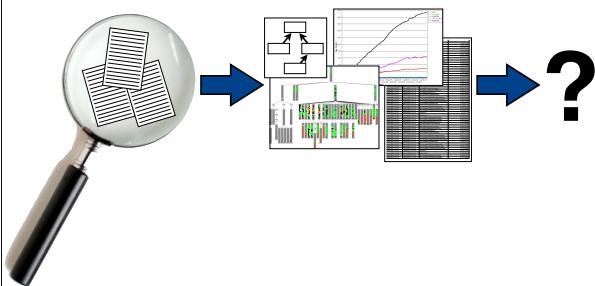
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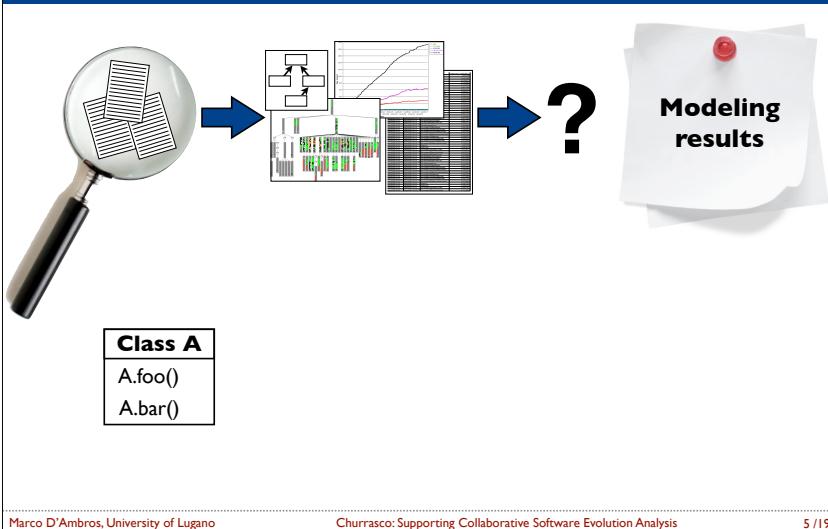


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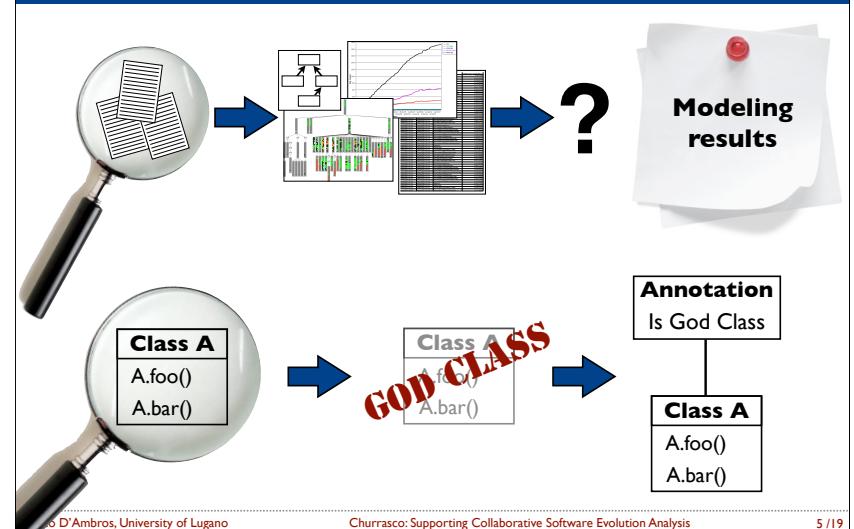


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## Different people

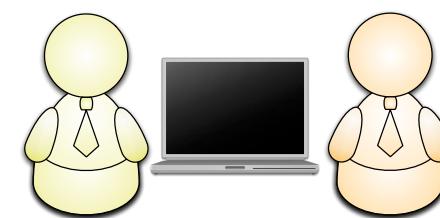


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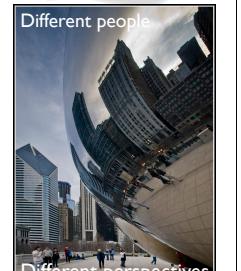
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## Collaboration is...



... combining evolutionary  
perspectives on a software  
system



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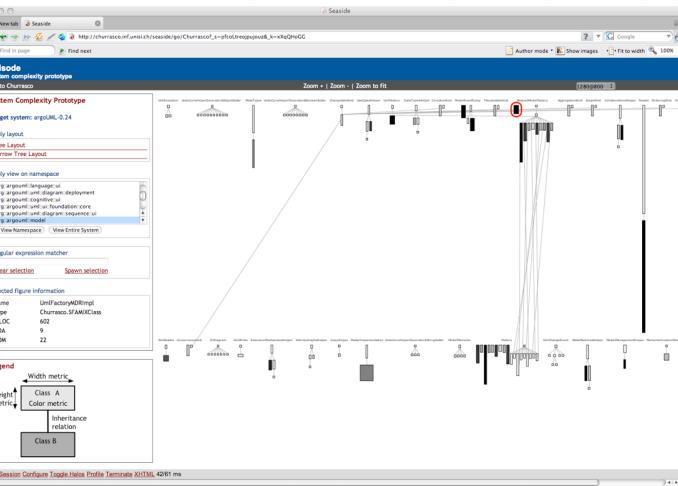
A web-based tool which supports software evolution analysis through visualizations and collaboration through annotations

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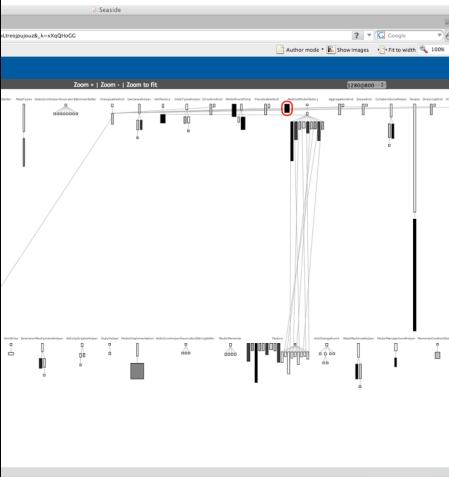
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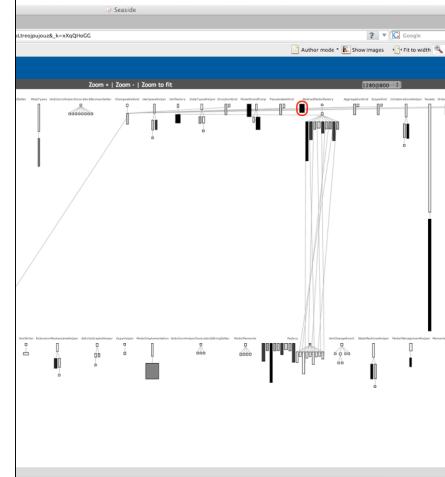
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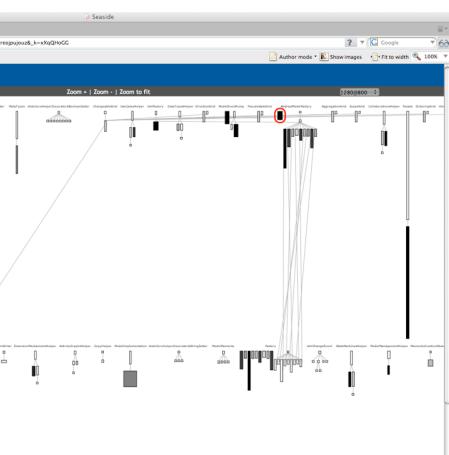


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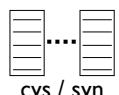
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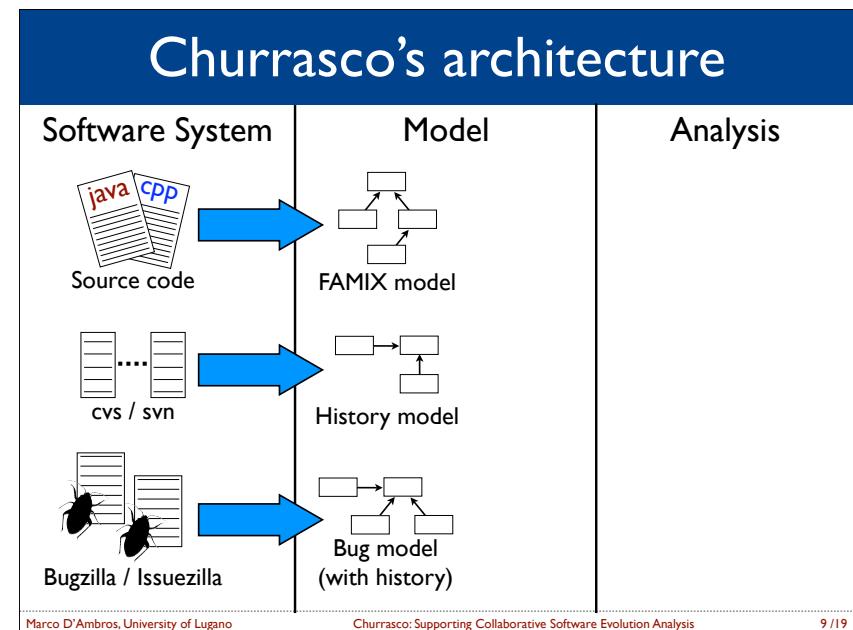
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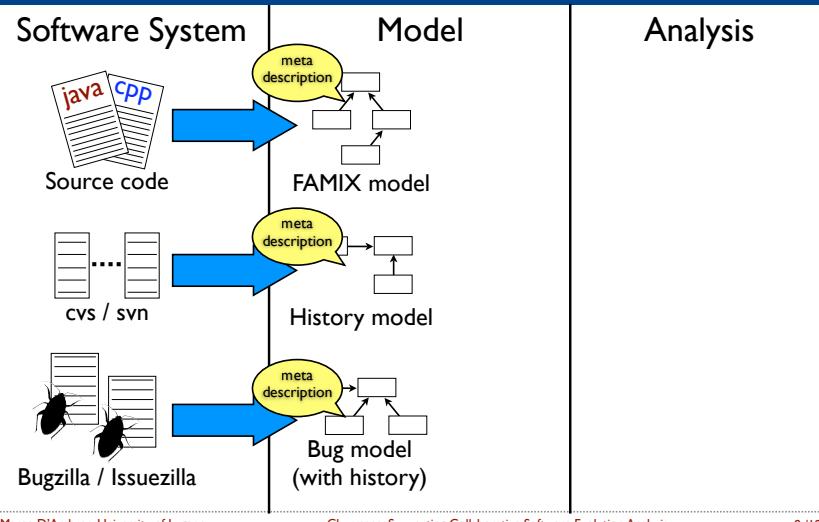

cvs / svn  


Bugzilla / Issuezilla  


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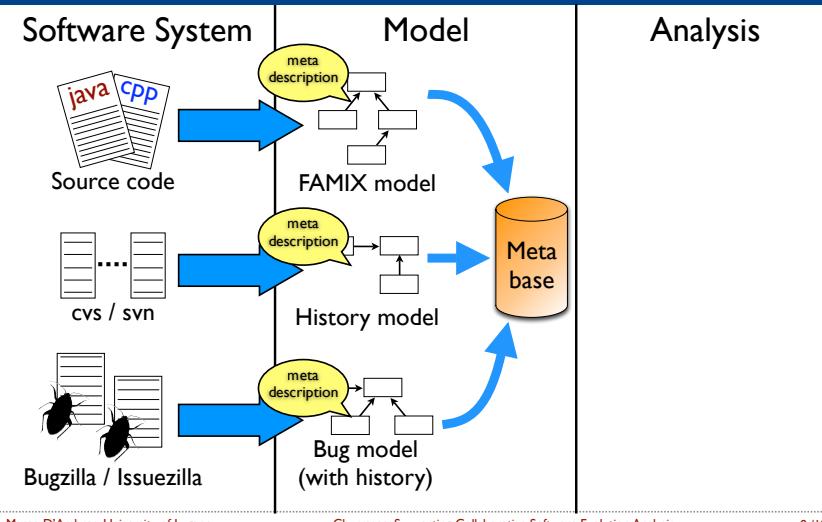


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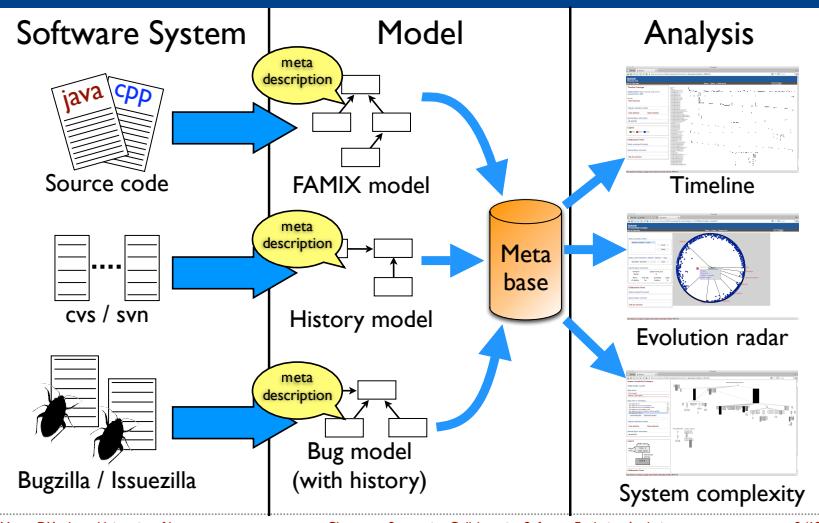


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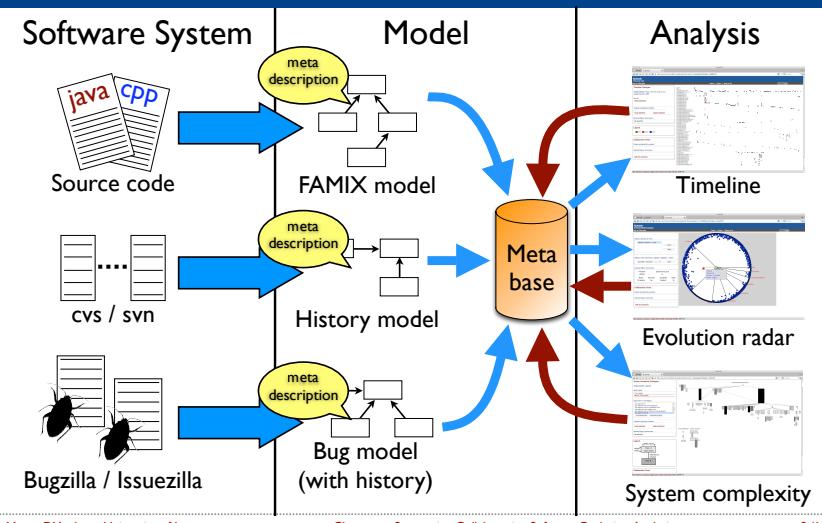


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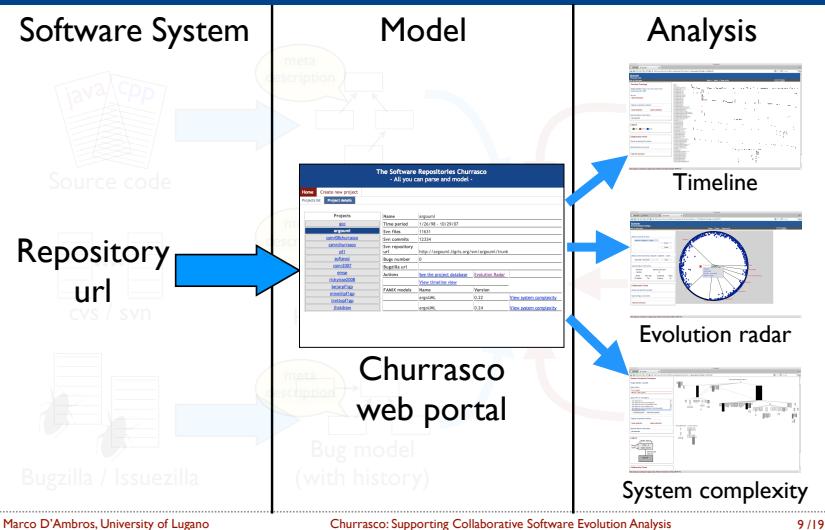


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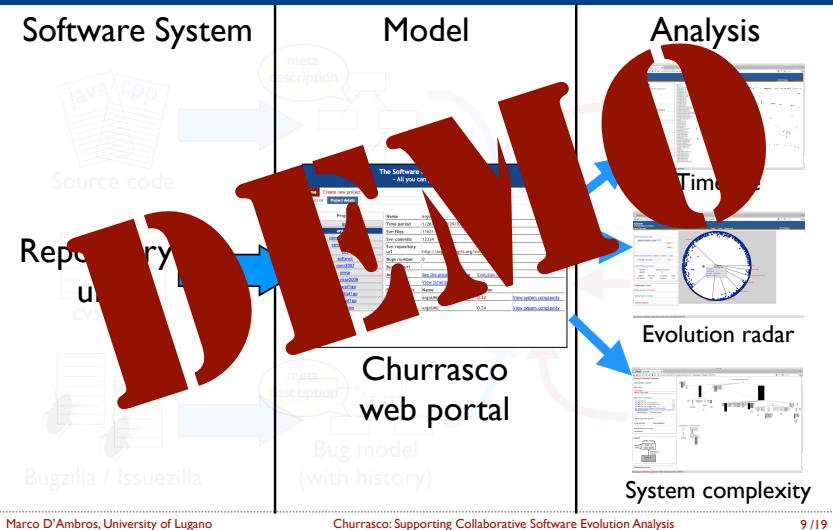


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## Based on a real story



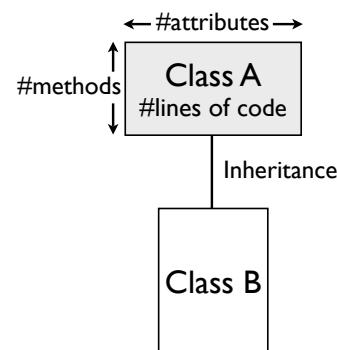
Marco: Newcomer



Ricky: Expert

System: ArgoUML

Task: Detection of bad smells in "Model"

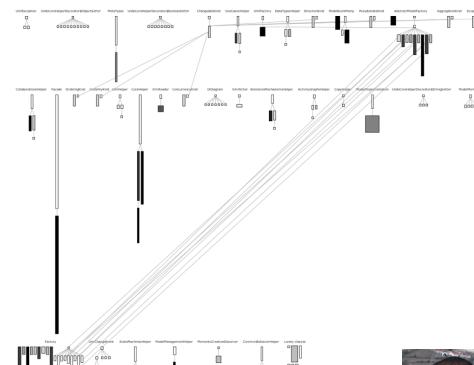


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## Marco spots outsiders



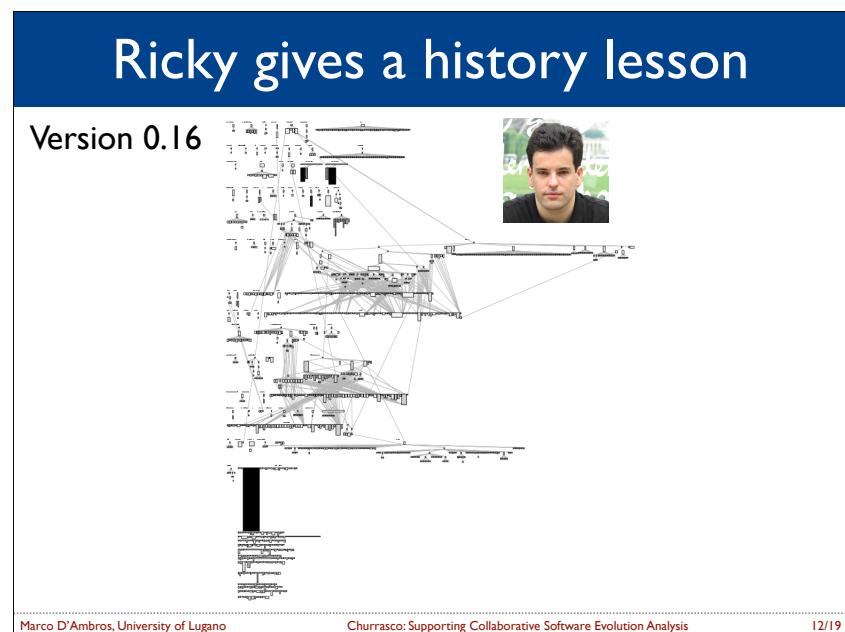
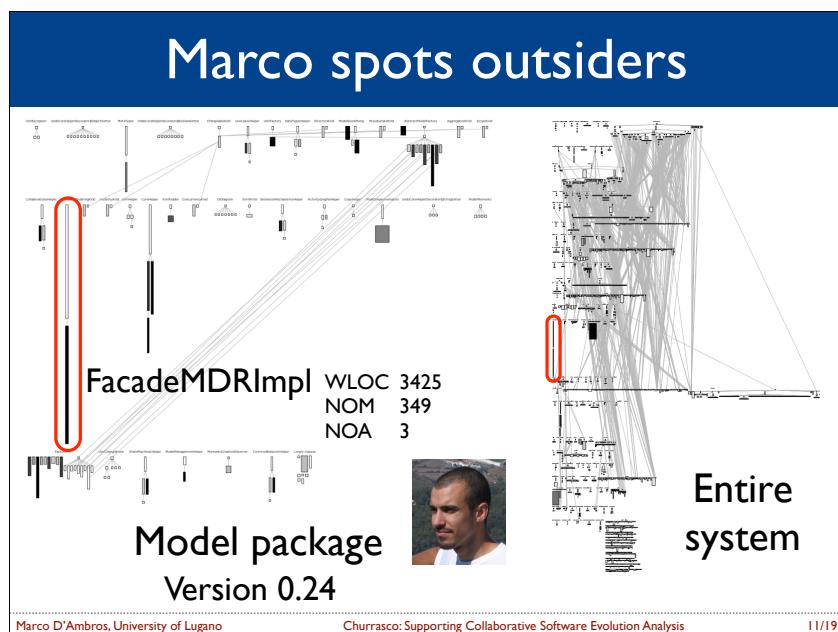
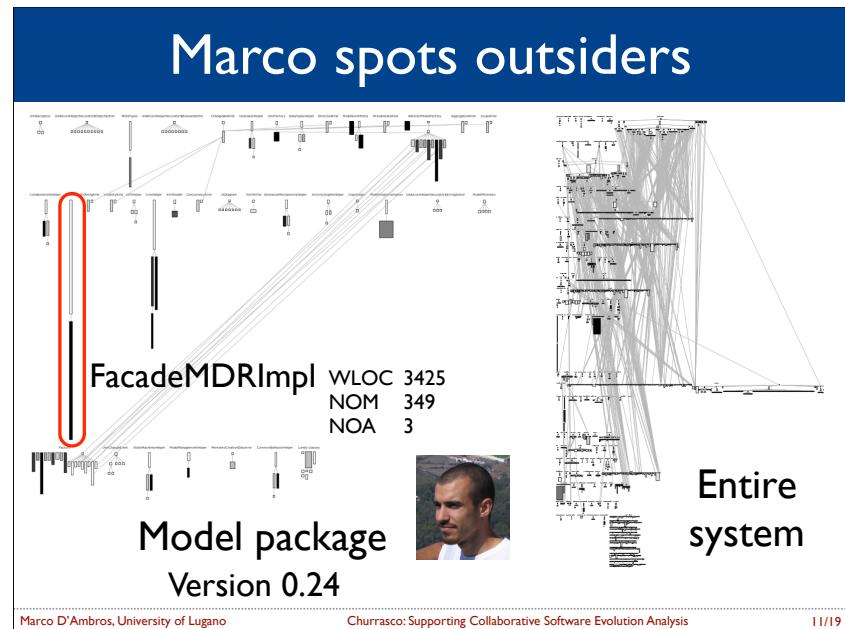
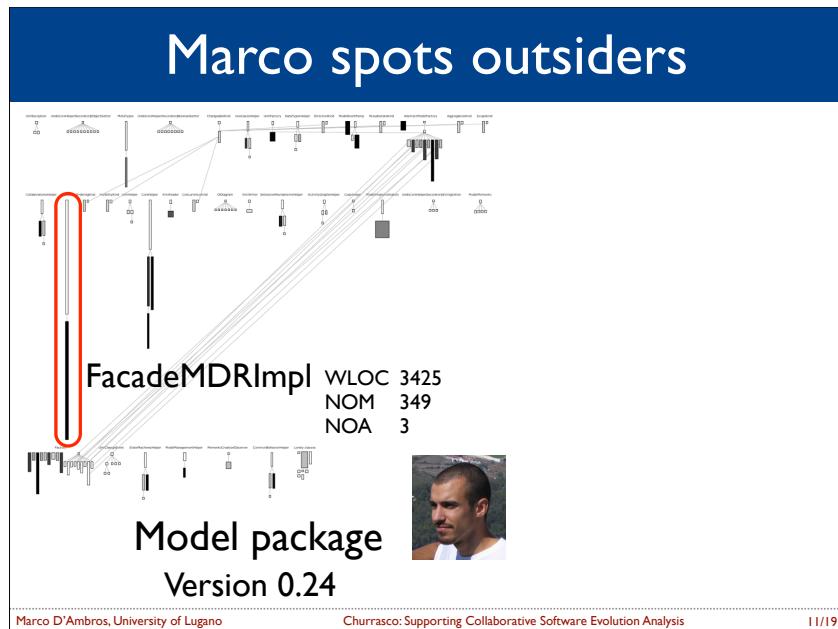
Model package  
Version 0.24



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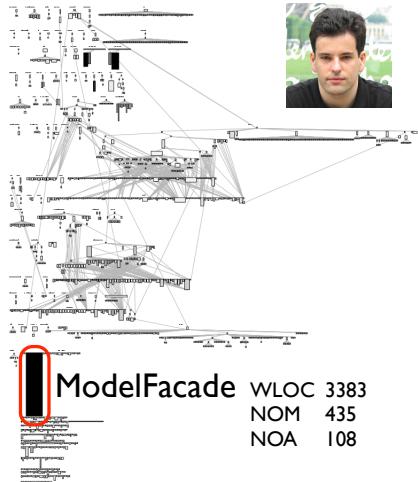
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## Ricky gives a history lesson

Version 0.16

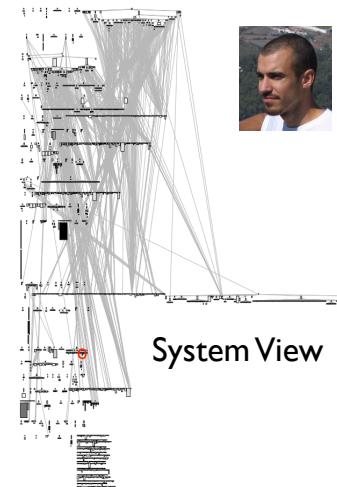


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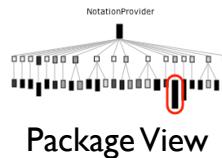
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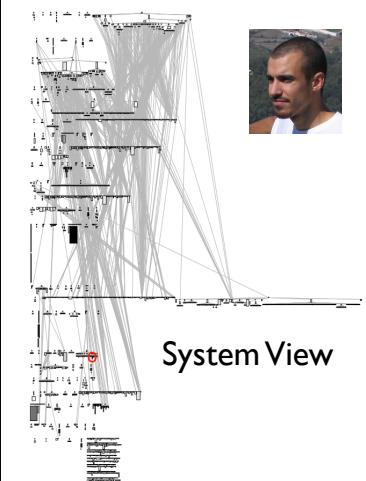
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### Class

MessageNotationUml

### Properties

WLOC 1297  
NOM 29  
NOA 2

### Ricky's comment

This is a God class with several brain methods

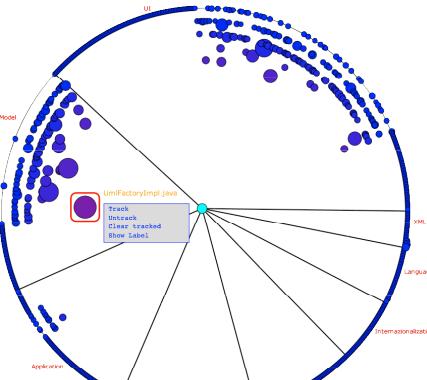
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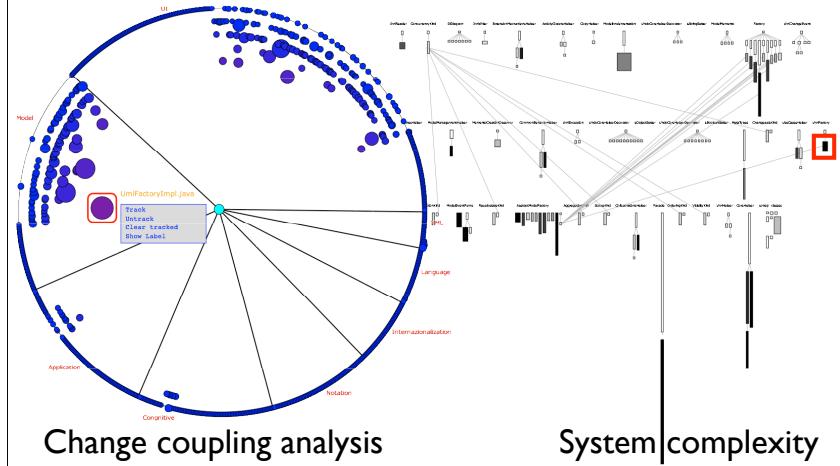
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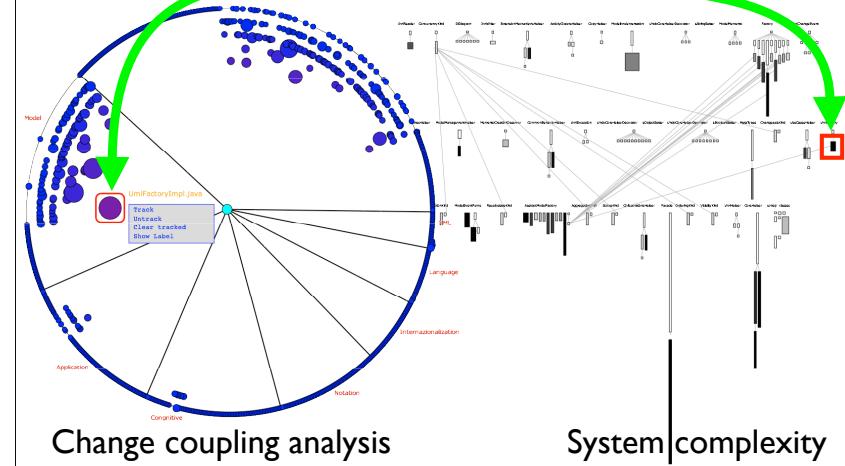
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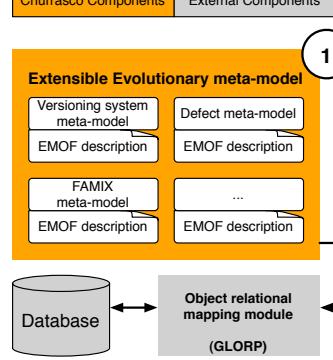
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Churrasco Components | External Components

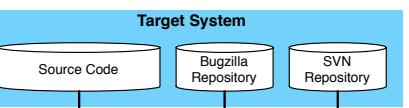


Target System

Source Code

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SVN Repository



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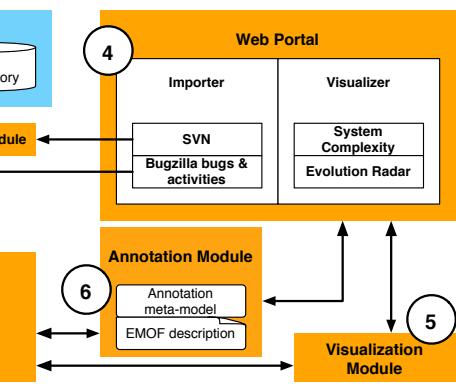
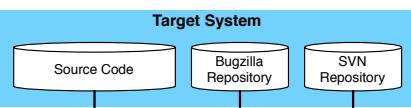
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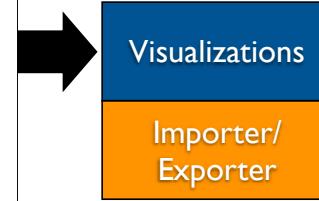
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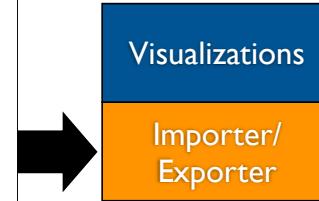
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### Already done for:

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- Commits characterization

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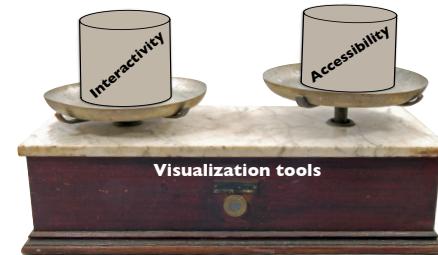
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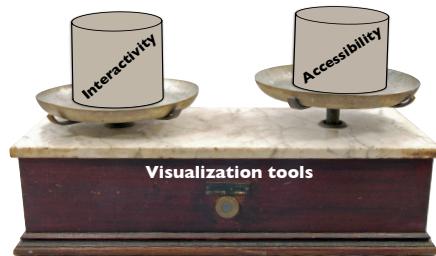
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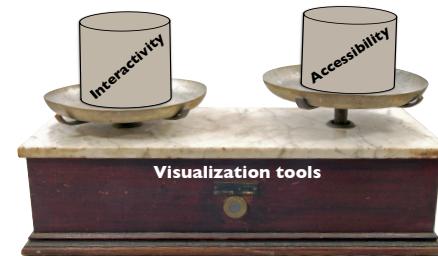
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