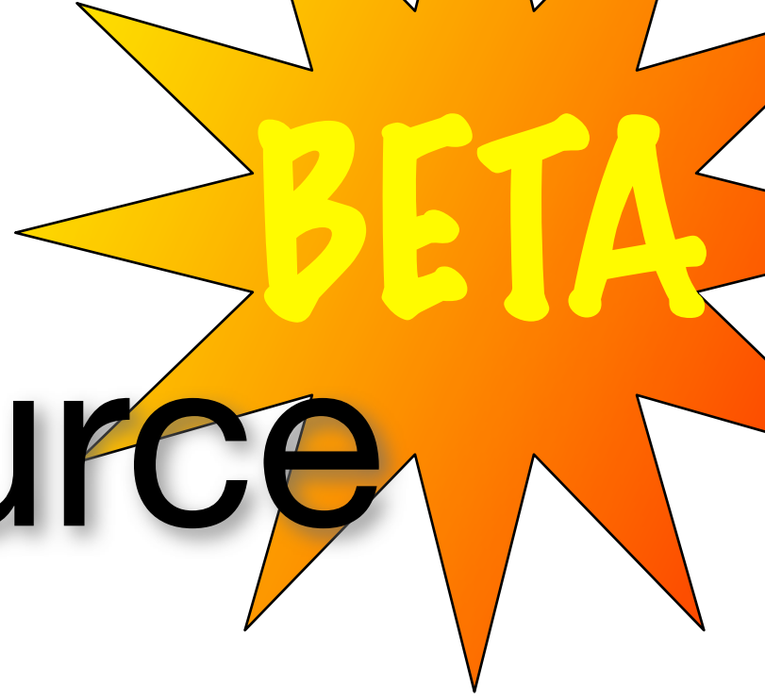

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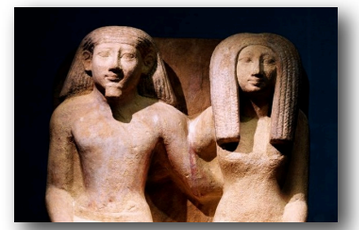

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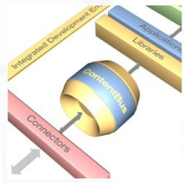

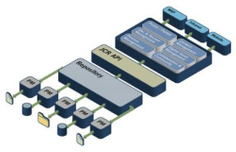

Swiss open source award / business / 2008

(everything is content)

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note the 3-letter domain name:
we’ve been doing this for a while...

2001

Survived tough times (SWX:DAYN)

Strong ties to the Apache Software Foundation

Roy T. Fielding and David Nuescheler,
“Mr. REST” and “Mr. JCR”

bertrand's brain grep

cat /dev/brain | egrep -i 'tech|thoughts|noise'

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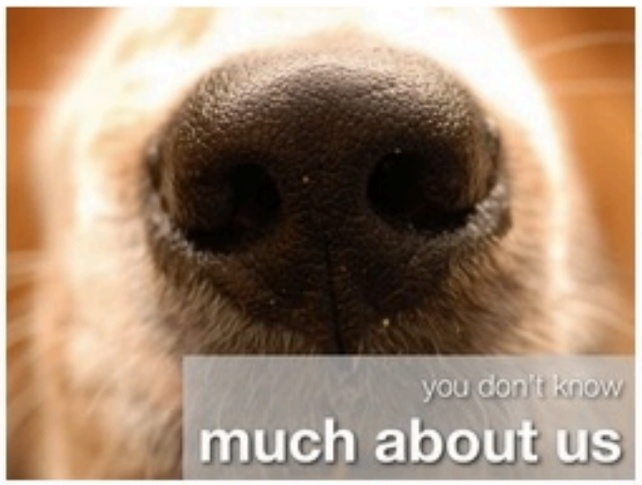
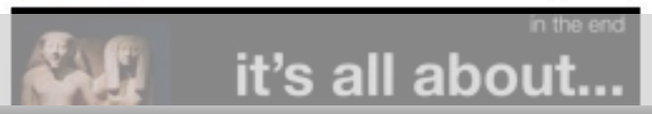


I have just finished my slides for next week at ApacheCon. Though the topic of how to "survive" in our open source communities has been on my mind for a while, this is a totally new presentation, which is both great (in the blank slate sense) and a lot of work.

Having recently read Presentation Zen (*very* recommended if you do presentations and/or like beautiful books), I started adding full-screen pictures to the first few slides, and couldn't stop! The presentation will then consist of me ad-libbing (or more precisely trying to *tell stories*) on a series of nice pictures grabbed from morguefile.com (don't worry about that name).



I'll post the slides here later, for now they are

CAT MYSELF | SORT | HEAD -2

Bertrand Delacrétaz here – my résumé will tell you more.

I also have another blog in French.

The opinions expressed here are my own. YMMV.

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is there

life

in

open source communities?

are our communities
intimidating?

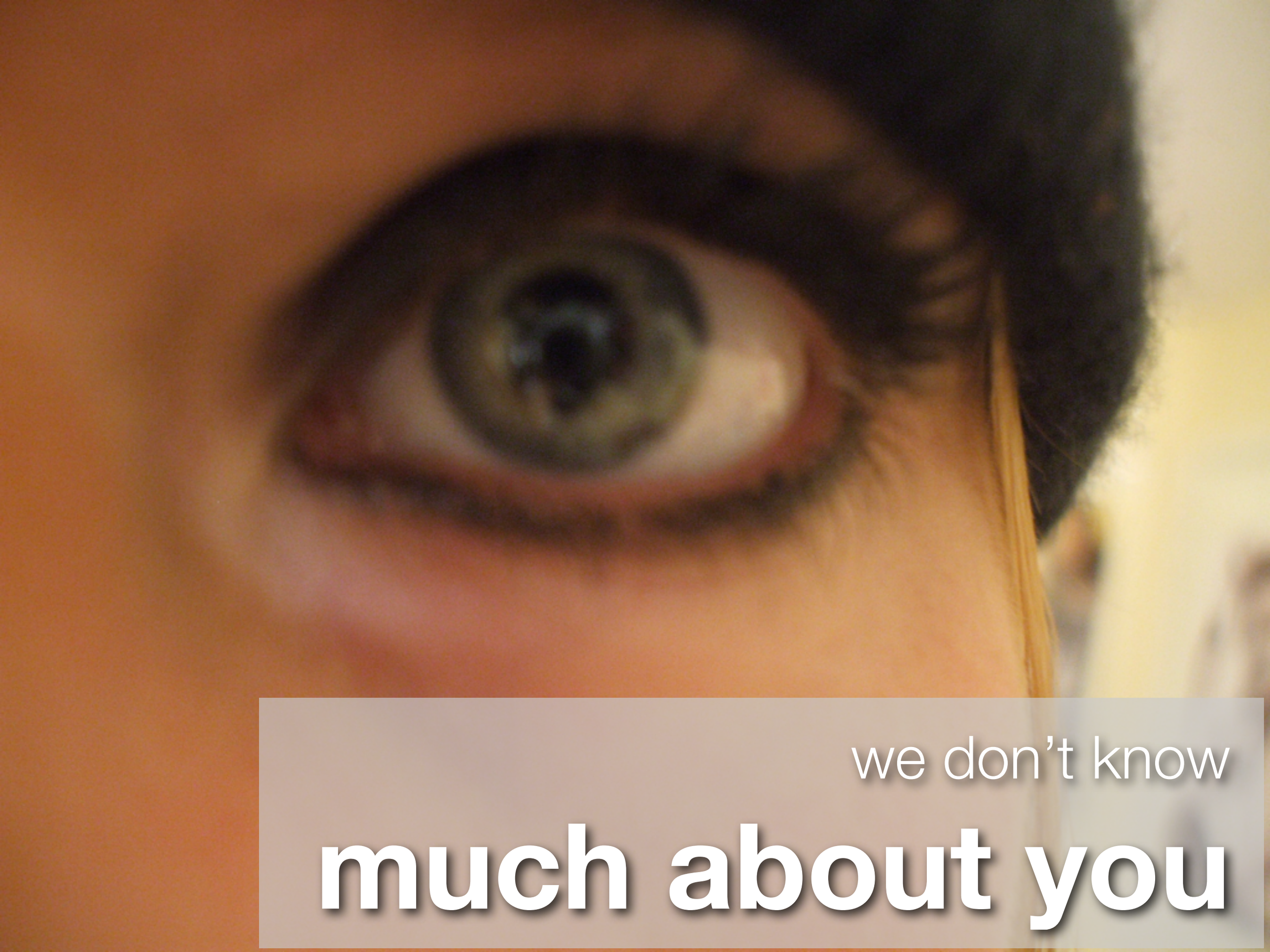
can we establish a

relationship?

the way we work is not always
obvious

you don’t know

much about us


we don’t know
much about you

we need to get to

know each other

let's make a good

first impression

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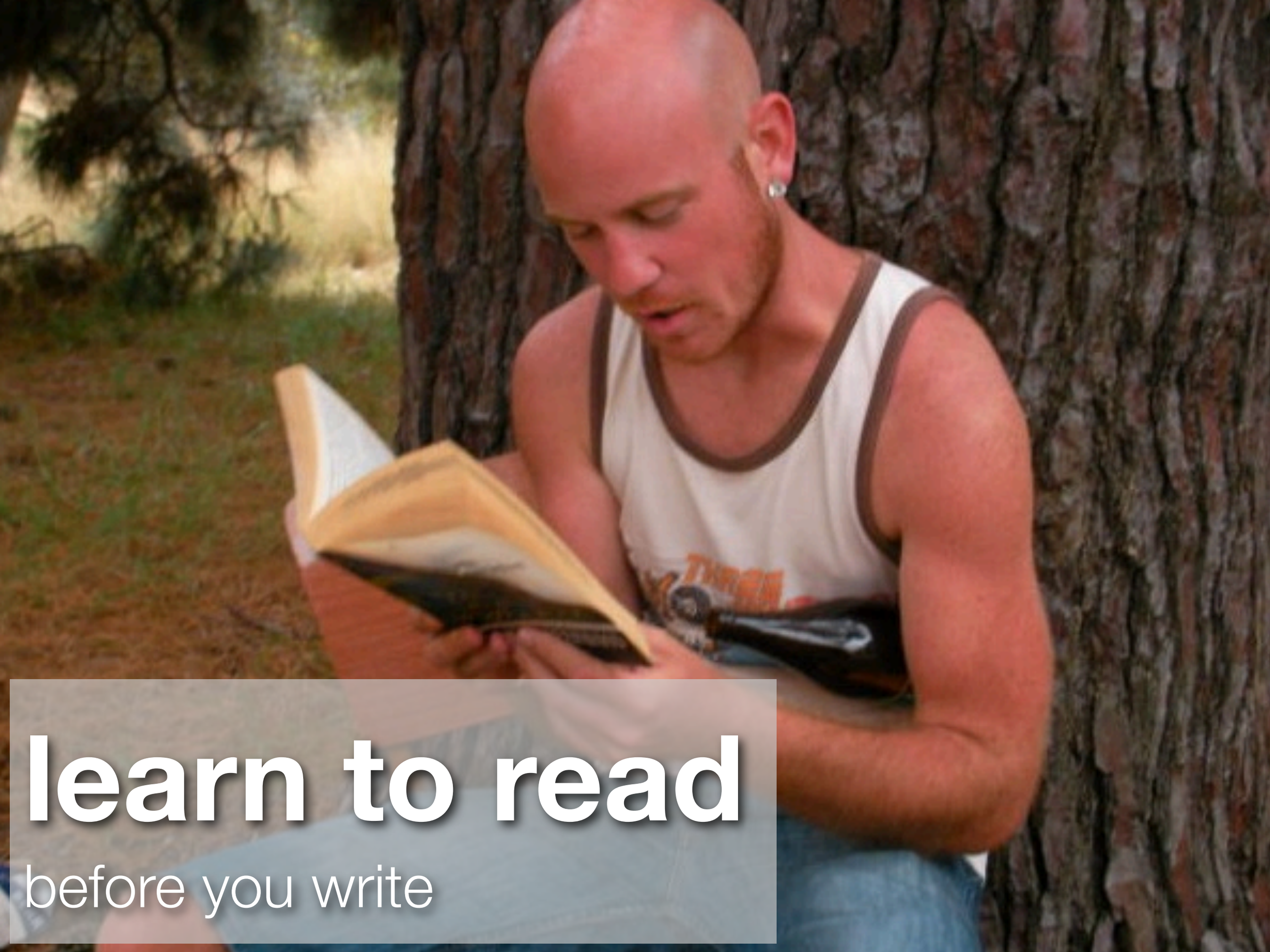


learn to read

before you write

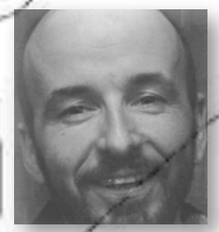
learn the local

community dialect

know

who

you're talking to



find out
more
about us

now you're

ready

to write

once you write

keep it simple

yes we do

warm welcomes

email is hard

reformulate
until 100% clear

mistakes

do not kill

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RESPECT

know-it-all

Tough guy

I’m soft

I love TALKING

Exkûz maï anglissh

I’m done

community

characters

community

success drivers

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TIMBITS
shared vision

real-time
status updates

real-time help requests

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PILGRIM'S PROGRESS

FROM THIS WORLD

TO

THAT WHICH IS TO COME.

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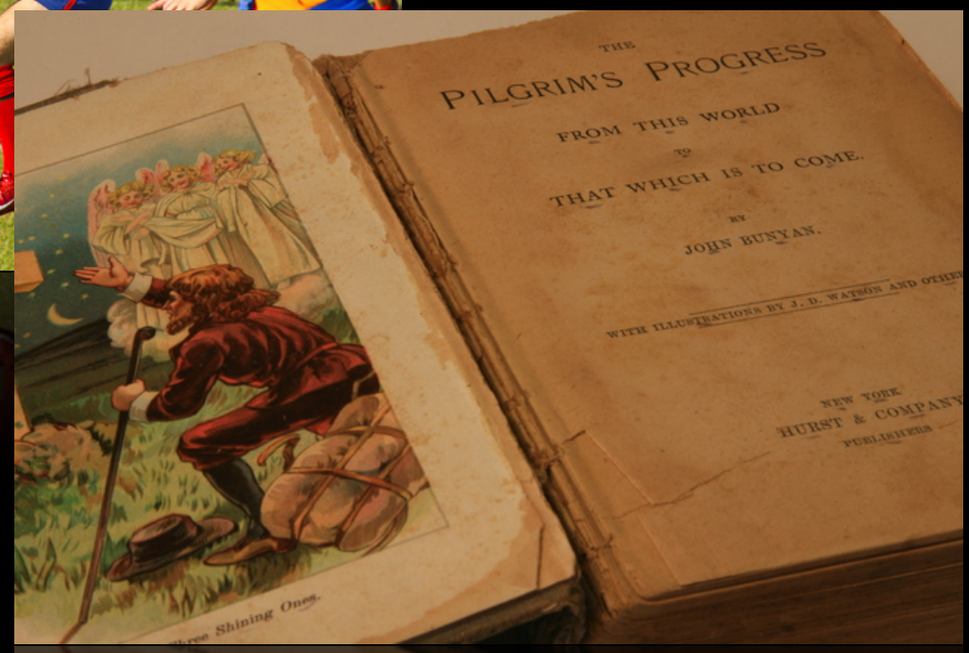
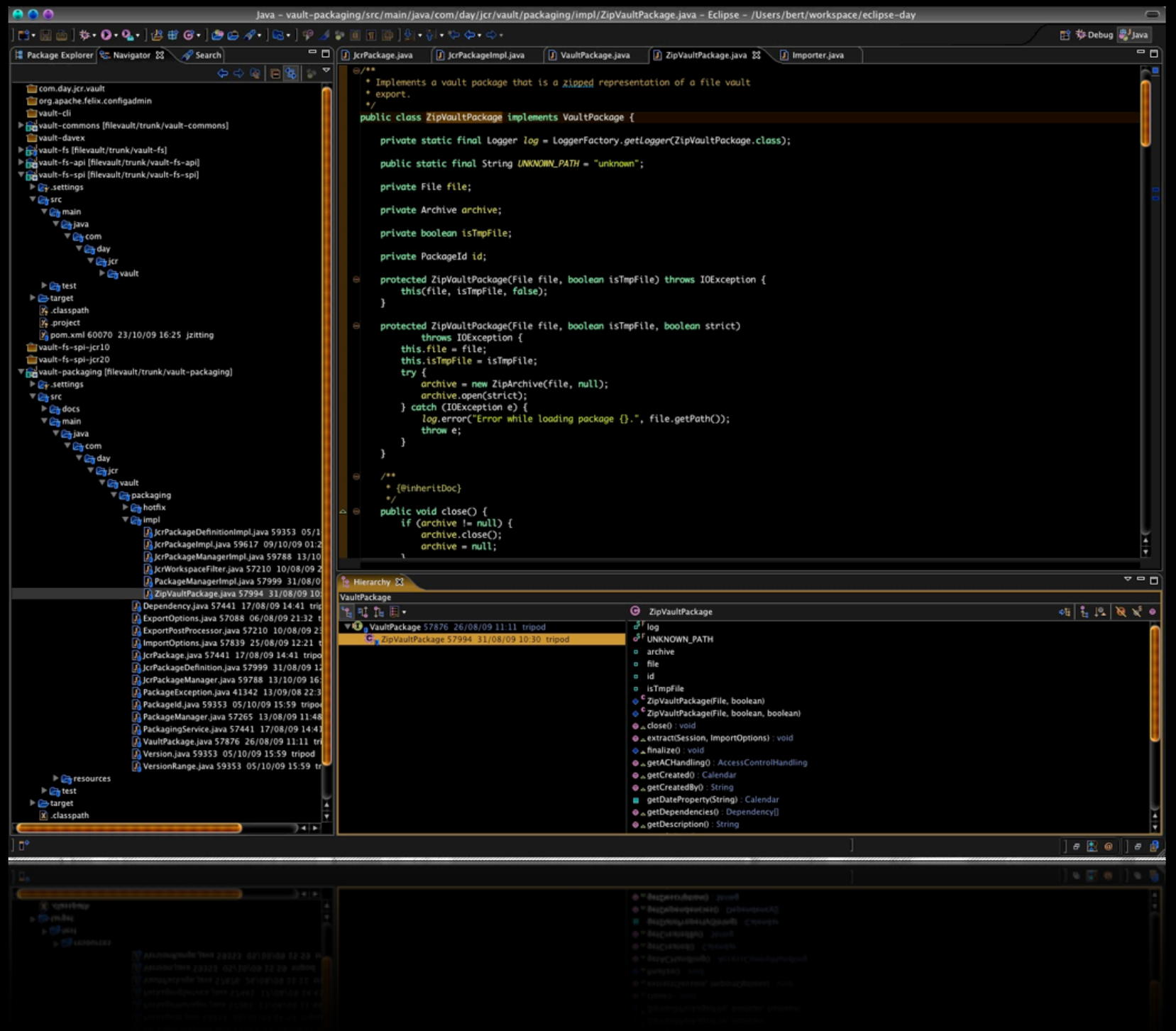


community

success drivers



code quality

as an example of shared vision

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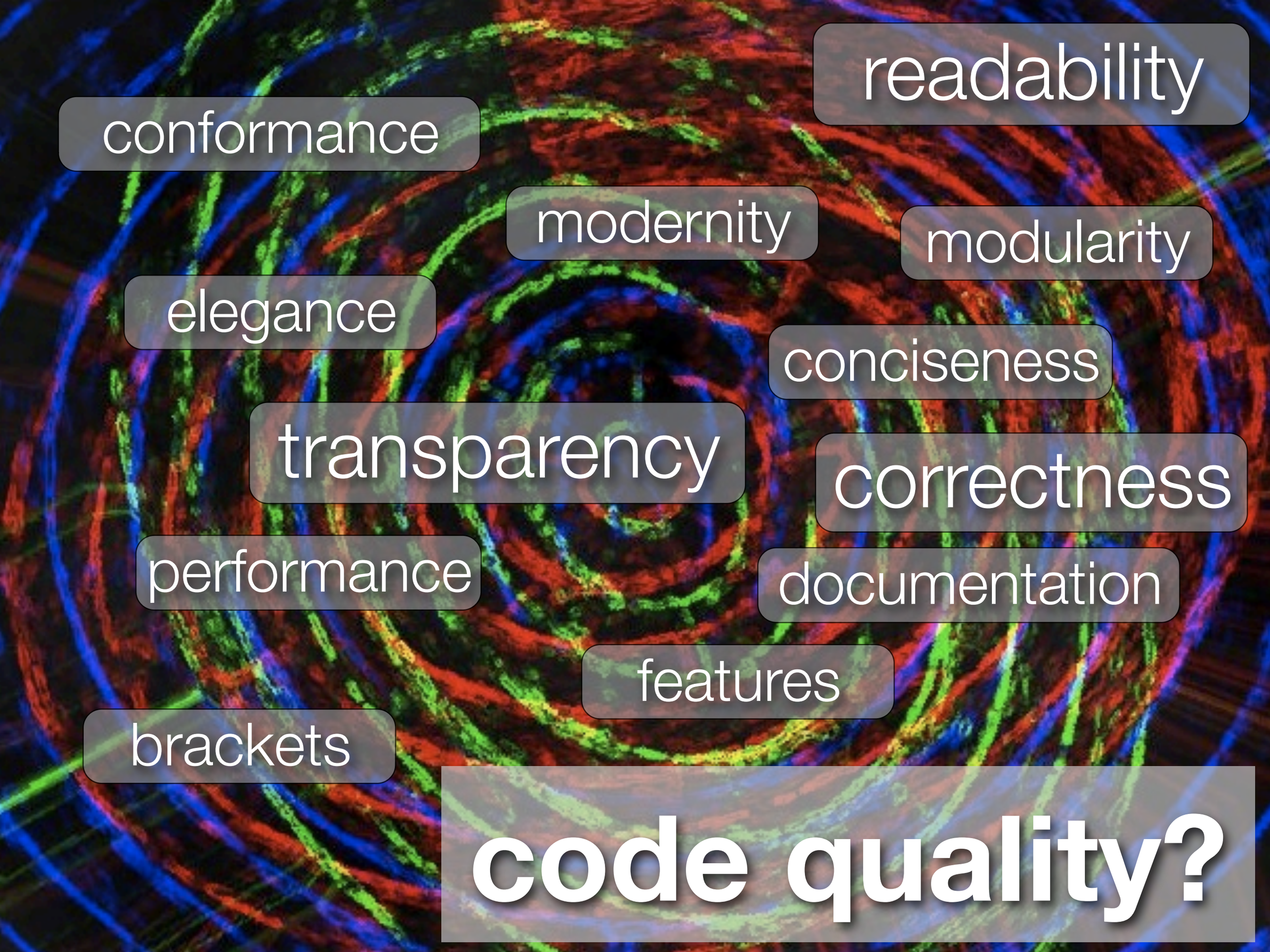
readability
conformance
modernity
modularity
elegance
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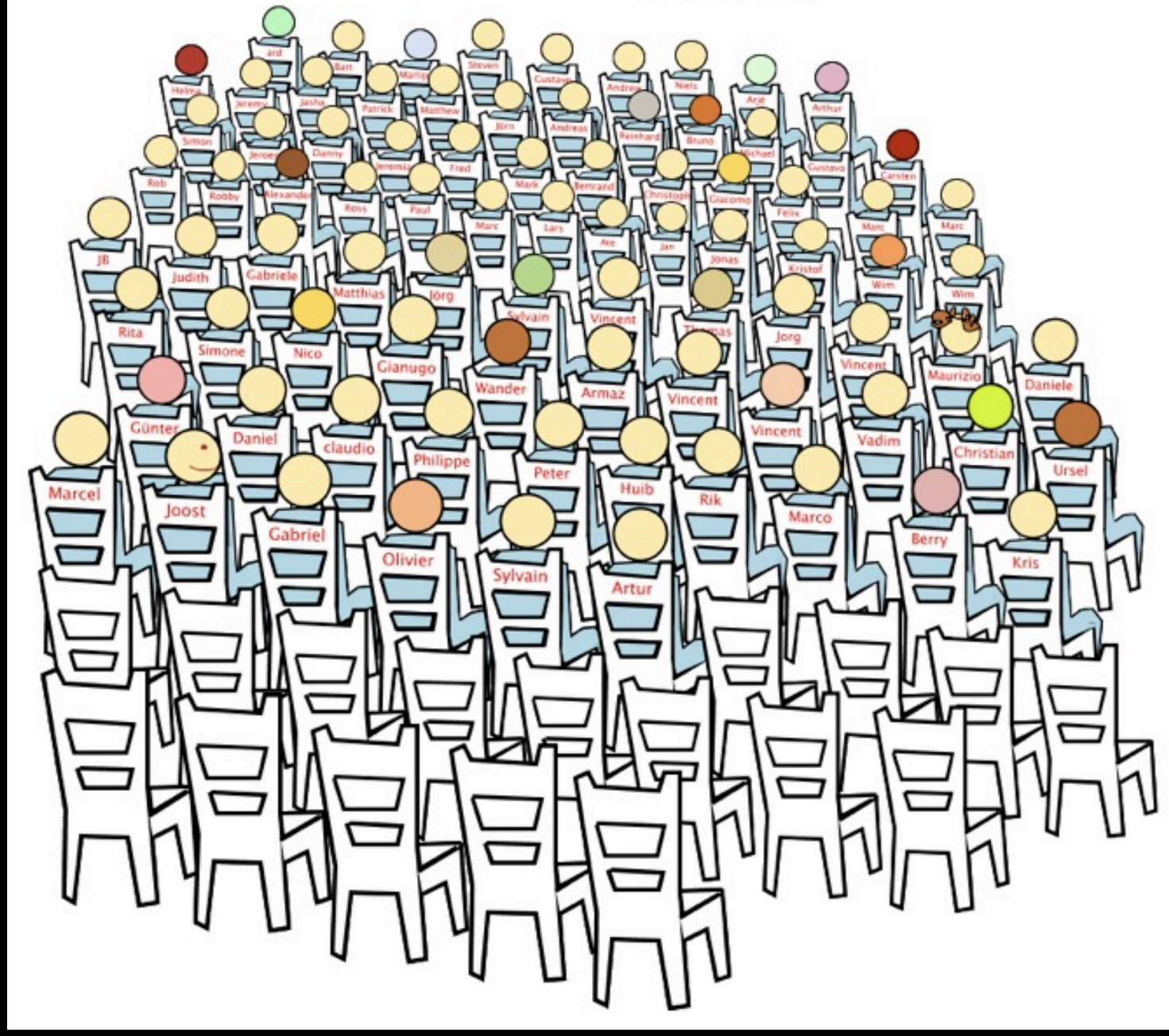
brackets
code quality?

which one is your

quality gate?

we need to get to

know each other



coda: story of a community

apache cocoon

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Java - vault-packaging/src/main/java/com/day/jcr/vault/packaging/impl/ZipVaultPackage.java - Eclipse - /Users/bert/workspace/eclipse-day

Package Explorer | Navigator | Search

- com.day.jcr.vault
- org.apache.felix.configadmin
- vault-cli
- vault-commons [filevault/trunk/vault-commons]
- vault-davex
- vault-fs [filevault/trunk/vault-fs]
- vault-fs-api [filevault/trunk/vault-fs-api]
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  - .settings
  - src
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      - java
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                  - VersionRange.java 59353 05/10/09 15:59 tr
    - resources
    - test
  - target
  - .classpath

JcrPackage.java | JcrPackageImpl.java | VaultPackage.java | ZipVaultPackage.java | Importer.java

```java
/**
 * Implements a vault package that is a zipped representation of a file vault
 * export.
 */
public class ZipVaultPackage implements VaultPackage {

    private static final Logger log = LoggerFactory.getLogger(ZipVaultPackage.class);

    public static final String UNKNOWN_PATH = "unknown";

    private File file;

    private Archive archive;

    private boolean isTmpFile;

    private PackageId id;

    protected ZipVaultPackage(File file, boolean isTmpFile) throws IOException {
        this(file, isTmpFile, false);
    }

    protected ZipVaultPackage(File file, boolean isTmpFile, boolean strict)
            throws IOException {
        this.file = file;
        this.isTmpFile = isTmpFile;
        try {
            archive = new ZipArchive(file, null);
            archive.open(strict);
        } catch (IOException e) {
            log.error("Error while loading package {}.", file.getPath());
            throw e;
        }
    }

    /**
     * {@inheritDoc}
     */
    public void close() {
        if (archive != null) {
            archive.close();
            archive = null;
        }
```

Hierarchy

VaultPackage

- VaultPackage 57876 26/08/09 11:11 tripod
- ZipVaultPackage 57994 31/08/09 10:30 tripod

ZipVaultPackage

- log
- UNKNOWN_PATH
- archive
- file
- id
- isTmp
- ZipVaultPac… (boolean)
- ZipVa… (File, boolean)
- close() : void
- extract(Session, ImportOptions) : void
- finalize() : void
- getACHandling() : AccessControlHandling
- getCreated() : Calendar
- getCreatedBy() : String
- getDatePropertyString() : Calendar
- getDependencies() : Dependency[]
- getDescription() : String

software

as a means, not an end

getting together

makes the difference

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OUTER THOUGHT

sourcesense
making sense of open source

GTEGo

HIPPO

business

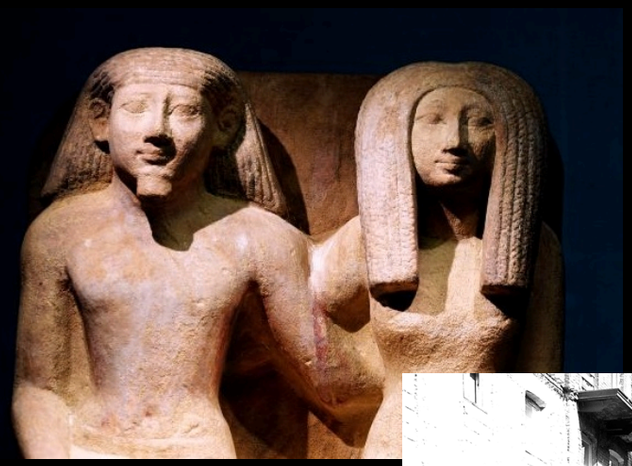
keeps people together

a small step for software

a giant leap for the community

in the end

it's all about...



getting to know each other

making sense of the crowd

getting good at email

and respect!

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