

# The Eclipse Packaging Project and its Usage Data Collector in RAP and RCP Applications

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## Agenda...

- [0] Introducing EclipseSource
- [1] The Eclipse Packaging Project
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- [3] Results and Statistics from the Ganymede Release
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## EclipseSource - Who we are

- Evolved out of Innoopract and Code 9
- Deep involvement in Eclipse from the beginning
- Eclipse Strategic member
- 2 board members (1 elected)
- World class team of recognized experts
- Proven delivery track record
  - Eclipse 1.0, 2.0, 2.1, 3.0, Callisto, Europa, Ganymede
- Offices in Karlsruhe, Ottawa, Portland, Sofia

## A strategic member of the Eclipse Foundation

- 12 strategic members, 170+ sustaining members
- Strategic members commit to 8 full time developers working on the open source Eclipse codebase



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eclipse technology



## technology

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Projects for tools  
and runtimes

**Sponsored development**  
**Maintenance**

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Helping corporations to implement Eclipse strategies,  
offering **consulting, development, support** and **training**



## EclipseSource Leadership at Eclipse

- 2 board members
- Various board committees
- PMCs
  - RT PMC leaders
  - Eclipse PMC leader
  - Tools PMC member
  - Technology PMC member
- 5 Architecture Council members
- Mentor many projects
- Projects
  - Equinox co-lead
  - RCP lead
  - RAP lead
  - EPP lead
  - g-Eclipse co-lead
  - ECF lead
  - PDE co-lead
  - Orbit lead
  - Zest lead

## EPP - What's it all about?

Create a better end-user experience.

# EPP - What's it all about?

- Eclipse Packages Download
  - ◆ coordinate, maintain, build, configure, ...
- Usage Data Collector
  - ◆ How are developers using Eclipse?
- Eclipse Dynamic Download
  - ◆ Wizard-based download configurator



## EPP Usage Data Collector

Included in all EPP packages

- ◆ Millions of downloads from [eclipse.org/downloads](http://eclipse.org/downloads)
- ◆ Currently about 120.000 distinct users uploading every month

## UDC: Views, Perspectives, Bundles, Editors, Commands

view	executeCount200901	userCount200901	Average per User
org.eclipse.jdt.ui.PackageExplorer	1546984	67514	23
org.eclipse.ui.console.ConsoleView	1084367	72544	15
org.eclipse.ui.navigator.ProjectExplorer	757932	41273	18
org.eclipse.wst.server.ui.ServersView	262302	19159	14
org.eclipse.ui.views.ResourceNavigator	239341	13033	18

Statistics available from

<http://www.eclipse.org/org/usedata/results.php>

## EPP UDC in *Your* RCP Product

Include the EPP UDC feature in your product

But ...

[1] The data is uploaded to eclipse.org ...

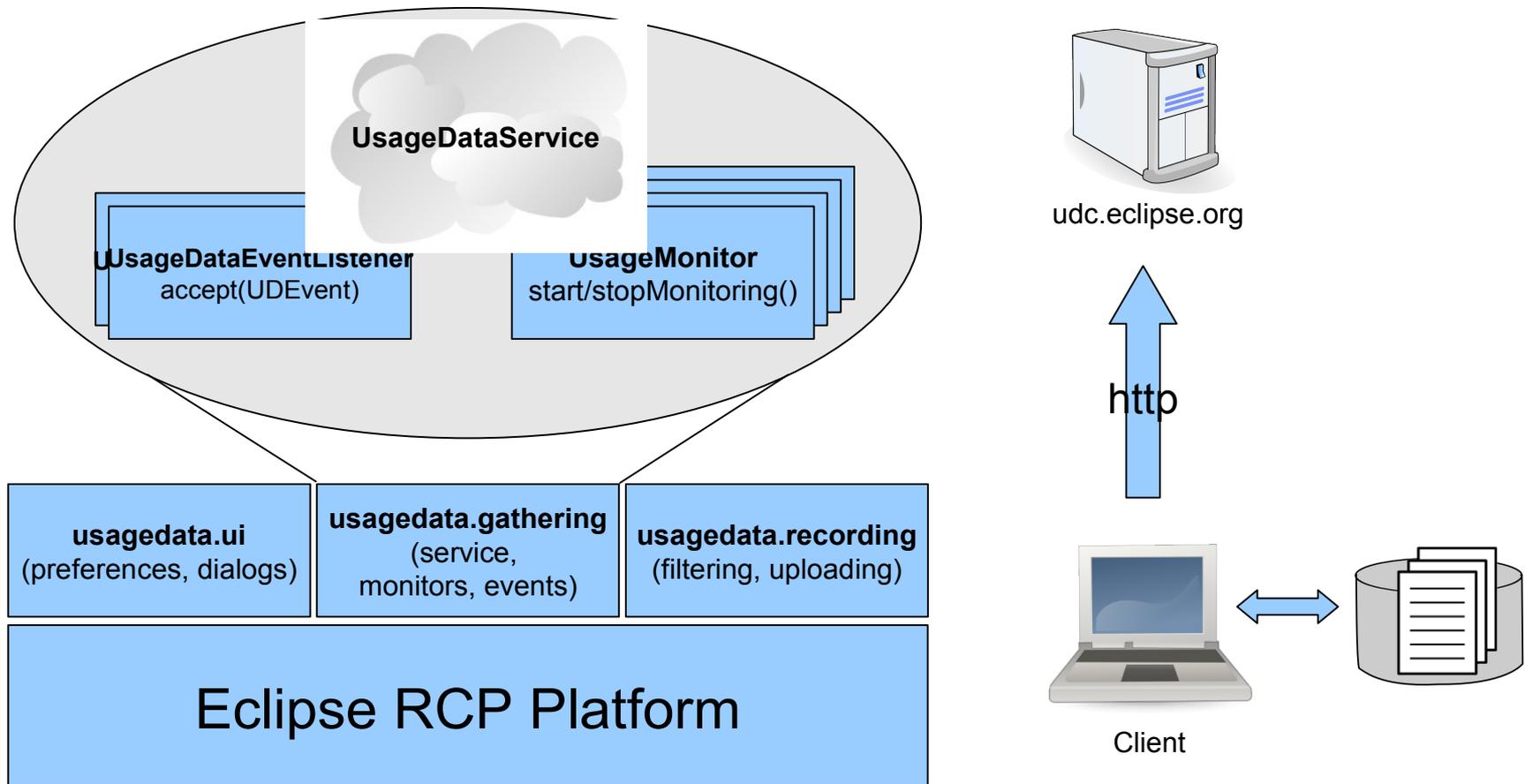
- ◆ Only the Eclipse Foundation has access to the raw data
- ◆ It is possible to change the upload URL with a property

```
-Dorg.eclipse.epp.usagedata.recording.upload-url=http://udc.eclipse.org/upload.php
```

[2] Where is the server application?

- ◆ Eclipse Foundation uses its own implementation (PHP)
- ◆ Source code not available
- ◆ But it is easy to write your own application

# EPP Architecture (Standard RCP)



## UDC – Tracking Information: Monitors

### Extension Point

```
org.eclipse.epp.usagedata.gathering.monitors
```

- **UsageMonitor:** `start/stopMonitoring(UDCService)`
- **Examples**
  - ◆ **BundleUsageMonitor**
  - ◆ **PartUsageMonitor**
    - Views, Perspectives, Editors
  - ◆ **LogMonitor** – Errors in the log file (`IStatus.ERROR`)
  - ◆ **CommandUsageMonitor**
  - ◆ **SystemInfoMonitor**
    - OS, architecture, windowing system, locale, JVM, etc.

## UDC – Collecting Data: Event Listeners

### Extension Point

```
org.eclipse.epp.usagedata.listeners.event
```

- **UsageDataEventListener:**

```
accept(UsageDataEvent event)
```

- **UsageDataEvent:**

```
String what, String kind, String description,  
String bundleId, String bundleVersion, long when
```

- **UsageDataRecorder (RCP Standard)**

stores data in CSV files

```
.metadata/.plugins/org...epp.usagedata.recording/upload0.csv
```

## UDC – Storing/Uploading Data: Uploaders

### Extension Point

```
org.eclipse.epp.usagedata.recording.uploader
```

- **Interface Uploader:** `startUpload()`, ...
- **Example:**
  - ◆ **AskUserUploader**  
asks the user every 5 days to upload data to `udc.eclipse.org` – see `UsageDataRecordingSettings`

## UDC – Identifying Users???

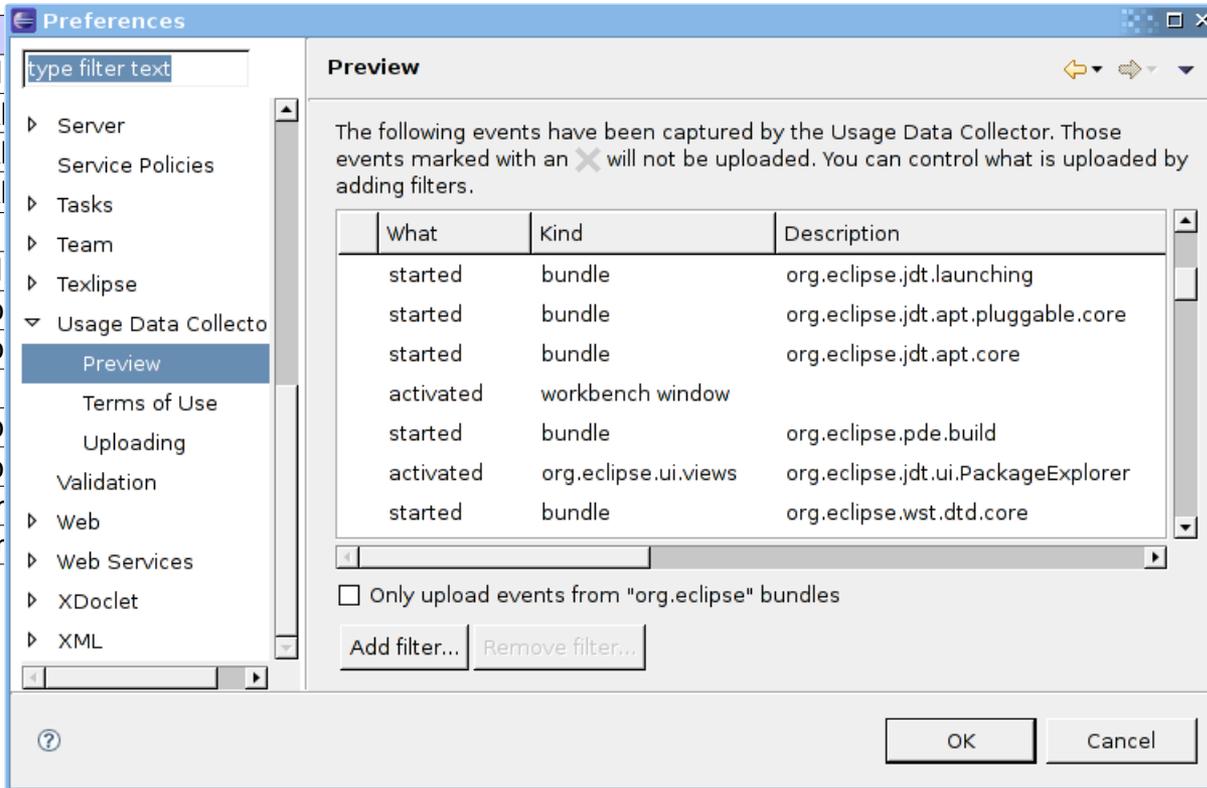
- Identifying users is a no-go, at least in open source.
- For statistical reasons it is important to associate data to a certain user

**Solution: Create neutral UUID for user and workspace:**

- `$HOME/.org.eclipse.epp.usagedata.recording.userId`
- `WS/.metadata/.plugins/org.eclipse.epp.usagedata.recording/.org.eclipse.epp.usagedata.recording.workspaceId`

# RCP UDC Example Data

what	kind
started	bundle
activated	workbench window
deactivated	workbench window
activated	workbench window
activated	view
started	bundle
opened	editor
activated	editor
activated	view
opened	editor
activated	editor
executed	command
executed	command



**Preferences**

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- Server
- Service Policies
- Tasks
- Team
- Textlipse
- Usage Data Collector
  - Preview**
  - Terms of Use
  - Uploading
  - Validation
- Web
- Web Services
- XDoclet
- XML

**Preview**

The following events have been captured by the Usage Data Collector. Those events marked with an **X** will not be uploaded. You can control what is uploaded by adding filters.

What	Kind	Description
started	bundle	org.eclipse.jdt.launching
started	bundle	org.eclipse.jdt.appt.pluggable.core
started	bundle	org.eclipse.jdt.appt.core
activated	workbench window	
started	bundle	org.eclipse.pde.build
activated	org.eclipse.ui.views	org.eclipse.jdt.ui.PackageExplorer
started	bundle	org.eclipse.wst.dtd.core

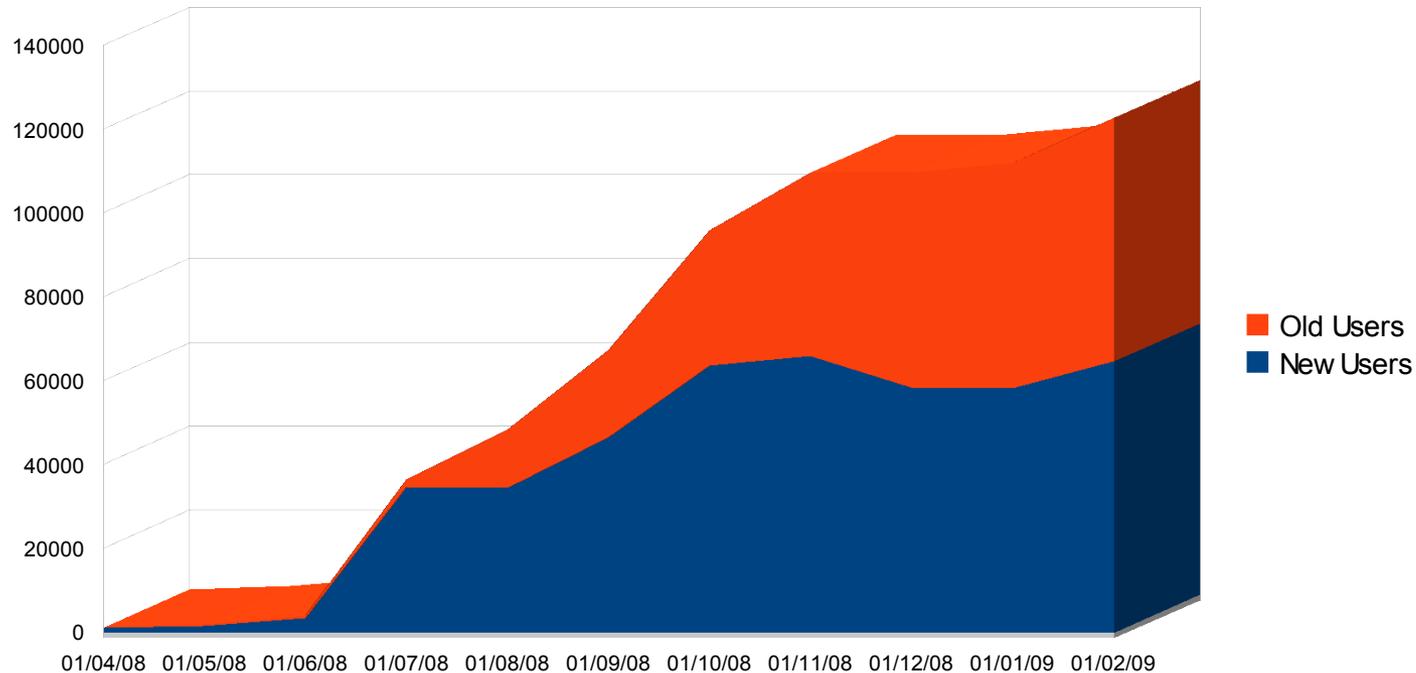
Only upload events from "org.eclipse" bundles

Add filter... Remove filter...

OK Cancel

time
1237484685840
1237484687277
1237484687292
1237484747712
1237484751790
1237484757338
1237484758274
1237484758535
1237484767806
1237484782149
1237484782207
1237484792864
1237484795809

## Feedback results – number of uploads



120.000 distinct users are uploading data every month.

<http://www.eclipse.org/org/usagedata/results.php>

## Analysing the Data

Here is some data from January 2009.

## Feedback results – Commands (Execution)

<b>command</b>	<b>executeCount200901</b>	<b>userCount200901</b>	<b># per user</b>
org.eclipse.ui.edit.delete	4228796	75815	56
org.eclipse.ui.file.save	3629929	79836	45
org.eclipse.ui.edit.paste	2756112	84245	33
org.eclipse.ui.edit.copy	1938088	77638	25
org.eclipse.debug.ui.commands.StepOver	1316288	17236	76
org.eclipse.ui.edit.text.goto.lineEnd	1217421	47416	26
org.eclipse.ui.edit.undo	1089139	60178	18
org.eclipse.ui.edit.text.contentAssist.proposals	978616	39627	25
org.eclipse.ui.edit.text.goto.lineStart	966017	39241	25
org.eclipse.ui.edit.text.goto.wordNext	886107	16637	53
org.eclipse.ui.edit.text.goto.wordPrevious	715297	16595	43
org.eclipse.ui.edit.text.select.wordPrevious	493556	15786	31
org.eclipse.ui.edit.text.select.wordNext	485328	15669	31

What's the most used command?  
Delete???

## Feedback results – Commands (Execution by User)

command	executeCount200901	userCount200901	# per user
org.eclipse.ui.edit.text.goto.lineDown	59786	427	140
org.eclipse.ui.edit.text.goto.lineUp	49540	395	125
org.eclipse.ui.edit.text.goto.columnNext	41878	399	105
org.eclipse.ui.edit.text.deletePrevious	5383	63	85
org.eclipse.ui.edit.text.goto.columnPrevious	30553	359	85
org.eclipse.debug.ui.commands.StepOver	1316288	17236	76
org.eclipse.ui.edit.delete	4228796	75815	56
org.eclipse.ui.edit.text.goto.wordNext	886107	16637	53
org.eclipse.ui.edit.text.deleteNext	22237	438	51
org.eclipse.ui.file.save	3629929	79836	45
org.eclipse.ui.edit.text.goto.wordPrevious	715297	16595	43
org.eclipse.ui.edit.text.cut.line.to.end	22134	580	38
org.eclipse.ui.edit.findNext	135955	4063	33
org.eclipse.ui.edit.paste	2756112	84245	33

If someone knows *this* it is used very often.

## Users of the Ganymede Release...

- How many different Views are being used?
  - ◆ ~ 120
- How many different Editors are being used?
  - ◆ ~ 80
- How many Perspectives are being used?
  - ◆ ~ 30

## Perspective – Top 5

<b>perspective</b>	<b>executeCount</b>	<b>userCount</b>
org.eclipse.jdt.ui.JavaPerspective	307220	69176
org.eclipse.jst.j2ee.J2EEPerspective	120420	38447
org.eclipse.debug.ui.DebugPerspective	90679	23079
org.eclipse.team.ui.TeamSynchronizingPerspective	57534	12093
org.eclipse.cdt.ui.CPerspective	39212	9960

- Most people do Java programming
  - ◆ Followed by J2EE and C/C++
- Is creating another Perspective a good idea?

## Views – Top 10

view	executeCount200901	userCount200901
org.eclipse.jdt.ui.PackageExplorer	1546984	67514
org.eclipse.ui.console.ConsoleView	1084367	72544
org.eclipse.ui.navigator.ProjectExplorer	757932	41273
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org.eclipse.ui.views.ResourceNavigator	239341	13033
org.eclipse.debug.ui.DebugView	229363	22349
org.eclipse.search.ui.views.SearchView	216037	21674
org.eclipse.ui.views.ContentOutline	209932	36984
org.eclipse.ui.views.ProblemView	173191	40000
org.eclipse.team.sync.views.SynchronizeView	137594	13251

Package Explorer and the Console View...

Who thought this?

## Editors – Top 10

<b>editor</b>	<b>executeCount2009</b>	<b>userCount20090</b>
org.eclipse.jdt.ui.CompilationUnitEditor	4878831	78668
org.eclipse.cdt.ui.editor.CEditor	559440	8932
org.eclipse.jst.jsp.core.jspsource.source	438950	16762
org.eclipse.wst.xml.ui.internal.tabletree.XMLMultiPageEditorPart	393683	28678
org.eclipse.ui.DefaultTextEditor	231430	25574
org.eclipse.jdt.ui.ClassFileEditor	120639	20771
org.eclipse.ui.browser.editor	118697	9564
org.eclipse.compare.CompareEditor	115190	12226
org.eclipse.wst.html.core.htmlsource.source	96529	8103
org.eclipse.jdt.ui.PropertiesFileEditor	83958	12187

Very popular: Java, C/C++, XML, ...

## EPP Usage Data Collector

UDC available for RCP applications, but...

NEW: Extension for RAP-based environments

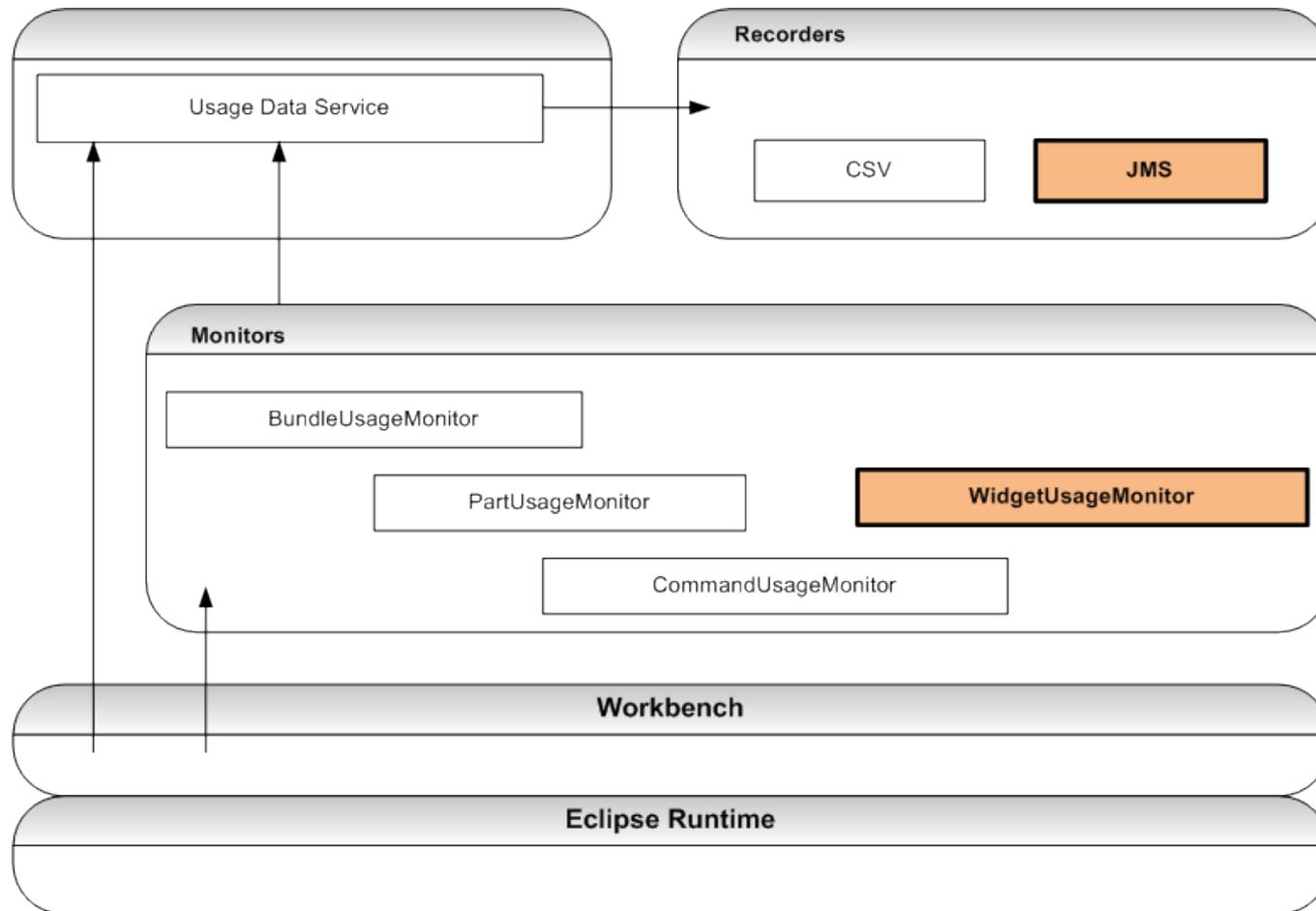
but this is only half of the story...

NEW: Widget based monitor

...and how do we analyse the data?

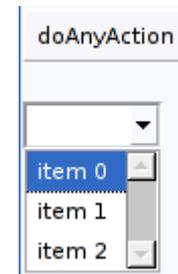
NEW: VUA – Visual Usage Analytics

# Inside the EPP Usage Data Collector



## Additional Monitor: Widget based monitor

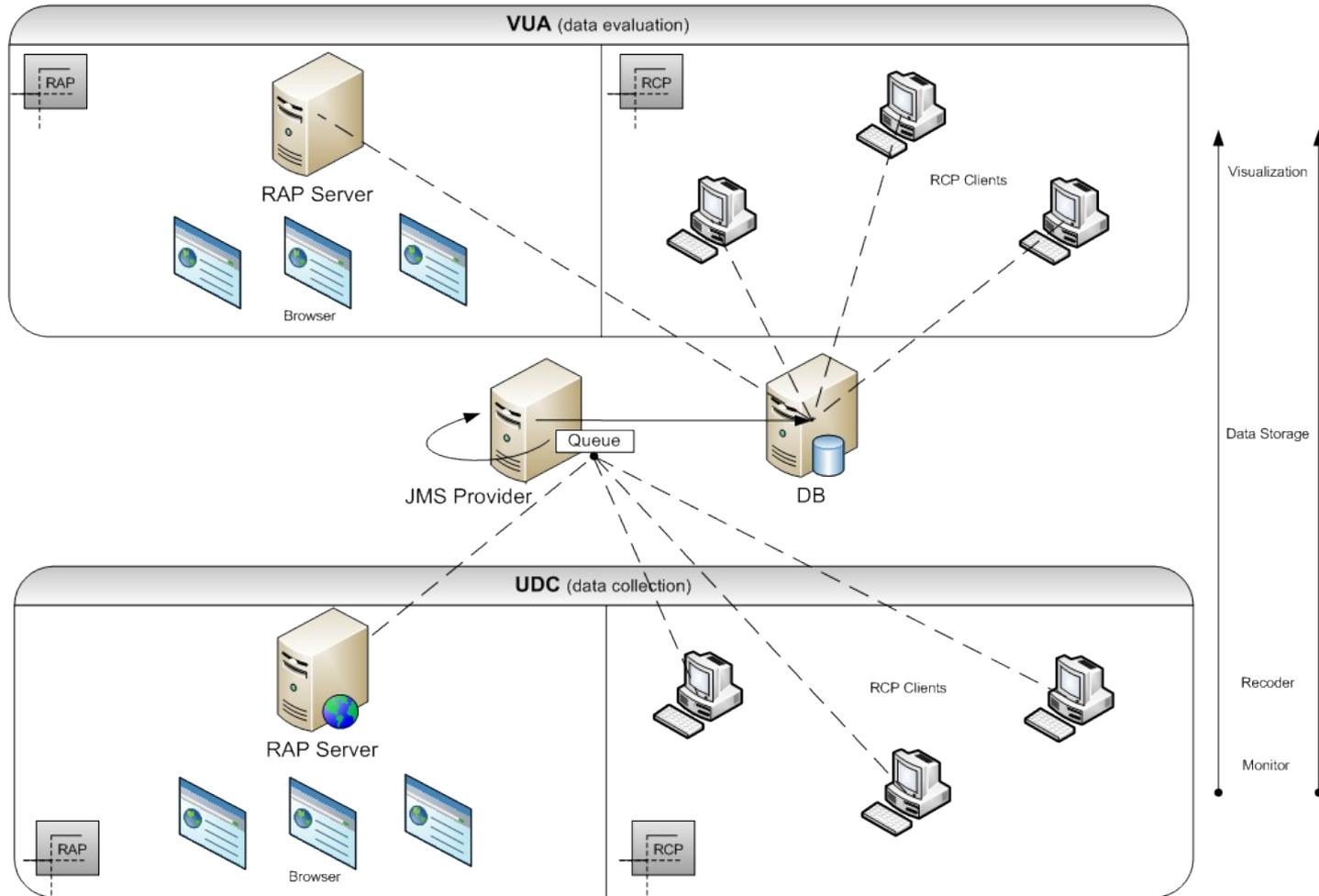
Problem: In order to visualize user interactions, one needs to track the widget (button, etc.) that was responsible for the event.



Solution: Widgets that need tracking must be marked manually with a distinct identifier!

```
widgetXY.setData( "org.eclipse.epp.udc",  
                 "yourInternalIdentifier" );
```

# UDC and VUA Interaction – Reference Architecture



# The Database

DB Tree View

Filter:

Column:

- DBViewerPlugin
  - Derby UDC VUA Database
    - APP
      - SYNONYM
      - TABLE
        - ACTUATORS
        - EVENTS**
        - VIEW
          - NULLID
          - SQLJ
          - SYS
          - Bookmark

APP.ACTUATORS

Where:

	KIND	DESCRIPTION	BUNDLE_ID	ID
6	workbench		org.eclipse.ui.workbench	6
7	view	org.eclipse.rap.demo.DemoSelectionViewPart	org.eclipse.rap.demo	7
8	view	org.eclipse.rap.demo.vua.CustomTrackingView	org.eclipse.rap.demo	8
9	view	org.eclipse.rap.demo.vua.Comparison	org.eclipse.rap.demo	9
10	view	org.eclipse.rap.demo.vua.MenuView	org.eclipse.rap.demo	10

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APP.EVENTS

Where:

	TIMESTAMP	USER_ID	ACTIVITY	ID	BUNDLE_VERSION
433	1240848449348	lpz9coh0ohv9u	executed	18	1.1.0.qualifier
432	1240848449313	lpz9coh0ohv9u	executed	11	1.1.0.qualifier
431	1240848438895	lpz9coh0ohv9u	executed	5	1.1.0.qualifier
430	1240848438889	lpz9coh0ohv9u	selected	4	
429	1240848437351	lpz9coh0ohv9u	activated	10	1.2.0.qualifier

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[Derby UDC VUA Database] 438 / 438 rows [res:0.1sec] DDL Define

SQL History View

Filter:  Search

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## The Setup for the Demonstration

### [1] Derby as database system

```
export DERBY_HOME=...  
./bin/startNetworkServer -h 127.0.0.1
```

### [2] Apache ActiveMQ as queuing service

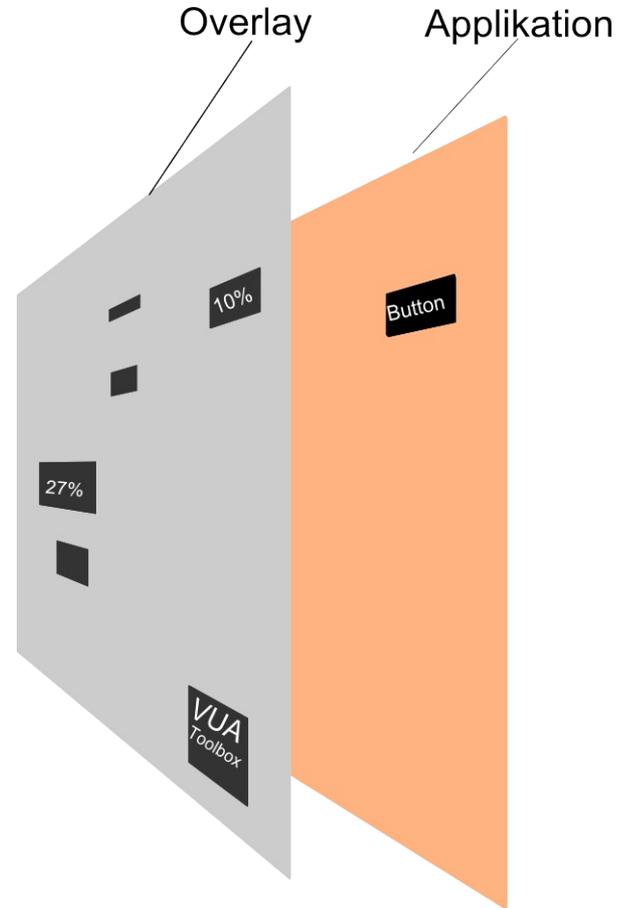
```
./activemq  
http://0.0.0.0:8161/admin/queues.jsp
```

### [3] MQC (Message Queue Client) – reads the queue and writes to the database

```
java -jar mqc.jar
```

## EPP Visual Usage Data Analytics (VUA)

- The VUA allows the interactive analysis of the usage data
- No code changes
- It only needs a connection to the DBMS
- It can be used in both, RCP and RAP environments
- See DEMO



## VUA – A custom widget

### Button Example:

```
Button btn = new Button(showcase1, SWT.None);  
btn.setData( "org.eclipse.epp.udc",  
            "btn1ShowCaseCustomTracking" );
```

### Combo Box Example:

```
Combo comboDropDown  
    = new Combo(showcase1, SWT.DROP_DOWN | SWT.BORDER);  
comboDropDown.setData( "org.eclipse.epp.udc",  
                       "combo1ShowCaseCustomTracking" );
```

## VUA – Compare User Interactions (Example)

### Command is available

- by pressing a button

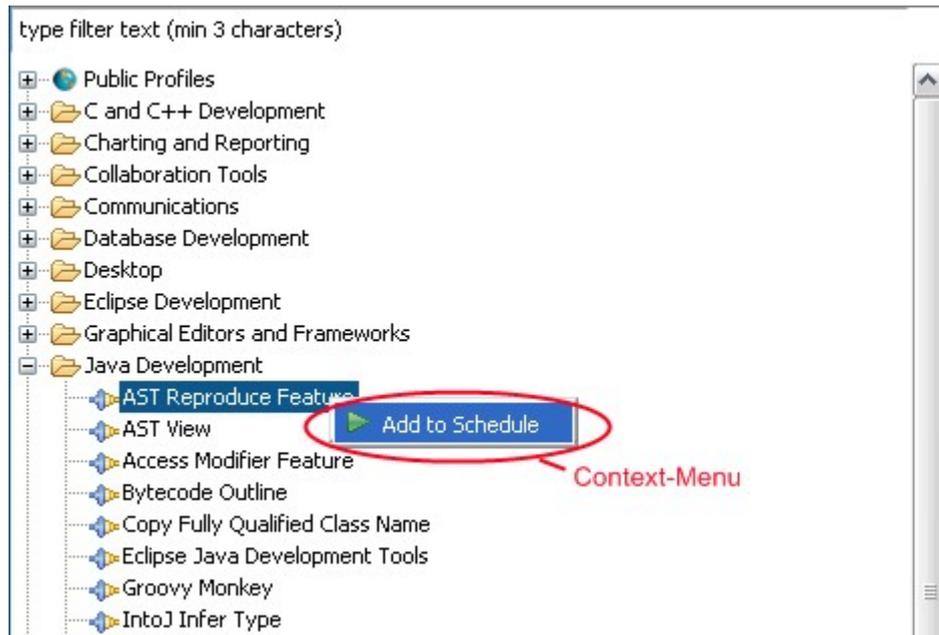
```
Button btn = new Button(parent, SWT.None);  
btn.setText( "send Message" );  
btn.setData( "org.eclipse.epp.udc", "btnSendMessage" );  
btn.addSelectionListener( new SelectionAdapter() { ...
```

- from the toolbar

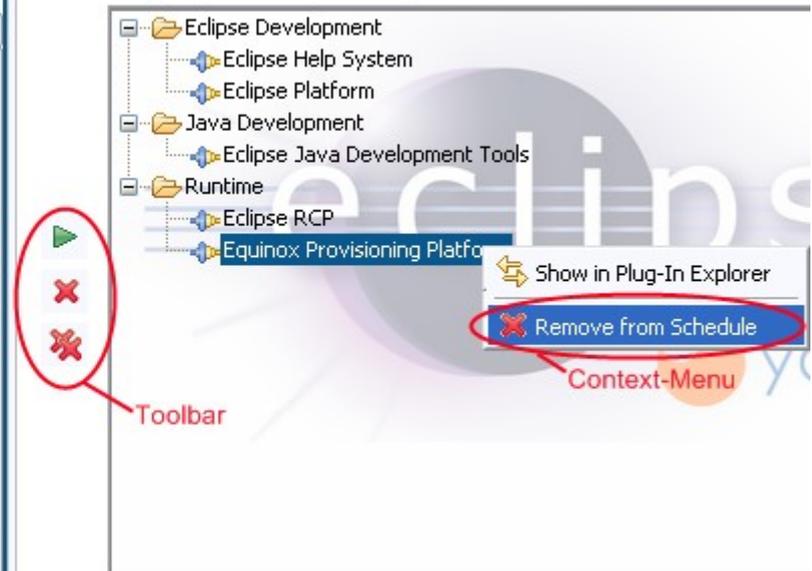
### Comparison by database query defined in plugin.xml:

```
<extension point="com.innoopract.vua.visualization.queries">  
  <queries id="Comparison"  
    query_string="select a.ID, a.KIND, a.DESCRPTION, ...">  
    <output format="0.00%" quotient="true" />  
  ...
```

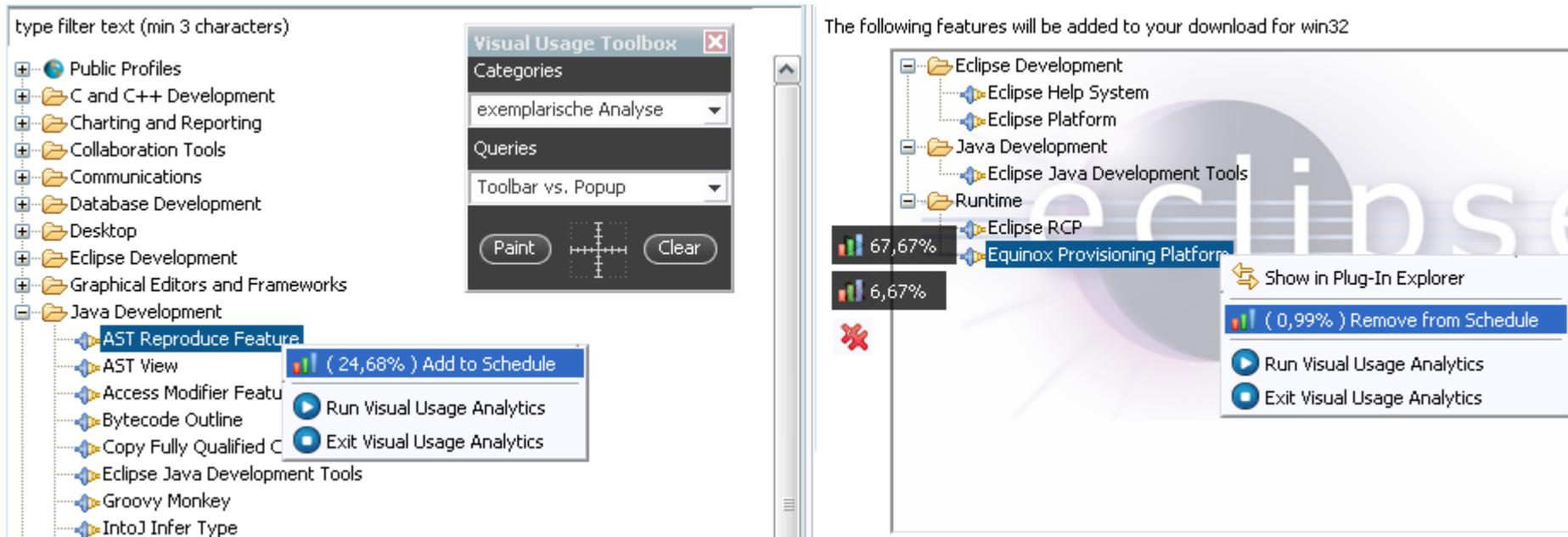
# EPP UDC VUA Screenshot – The Application



The following features will be added to your download for win32



# EPP UDC VUA Screenshot – The UDC Results



The screenshot displays the Eclipse IDE interface with the Visual Usage Analytics (VUA) tool active. On the left, the Package Explorer shows the project structure, with the 'Equinox Provisioning Platform' feature selected. A context menu is open over this feature, showing options like 'Add to Schedule' (24,68%), 'Run Visual Usage Analytics', and 'Exit Visual Usage Analytics'. In the center, the 'Visual Usage Toolbox' dialog is open, showing the selected category 'exemplarische Analyse' and the query 'Toolbar vs. Popup'. On the right, the 'Features to be added' list shows the 'Equinox Provisioning Platform' feature with a usage percentage of 6,67%. A context menu is also open over this feature, showing options like 'Remove from Schedule' (0,99%), 'Run Visual Usage Analytics', and 'Exit Visual Usage Analytics'.

type filter text (min 3 characters)

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Visual Usage Toolbox

Categories

exemplarische Analyse

Queries

Toolbar vs. Popup

Paint

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- Runtime
  - Eclipse RCP
  - Equinox Provisioning Platform

67,67%

6,67%

( 24,68% ) Add to Schedule

Run Visual Usage Analytics

Exit Visual Usage Analytics

Show in Plug-In Explorer

( 0,99% ) Remove from Schedule

Run Visual Usage Analytics

Exit Visual Usage Analytics

# Non-code Aspects: Privacy and User Data

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### Telekom

#### Datenklau wohl kein Einzelfall

Tröpfchenweise kommen die Datenpannen bei der Deutschen Telekom ans Licht - so wie auch nun wieder: Offenbar gibt es drei neue Fälle von Datendiebstahl bei dem Konzern. Wieder sollen Tausende Telekom-Kunden betroffen sein. Und wieder gelobt Vorstandschef René Obermann Besserung.

Bonn - Der am Wochenende der Deutschen Telekom ist In diesem Jahr habe die Teil in Bremerhaven seien die S In München sei ein Datentr



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### Datenschutz

#### „Bild“: CDs mit persönlichen Daten von 17.000 Bürgern verkauft

Laut „Bild“ hat eine Firma in Nordrhein-Westfalen Daten-CDs mit Namen, Geburtstagen, Adressen, Telefonnummern und Kontonummern von 17.000 Bundesbürgern an andere Unternehmen verkauft. Die Verbraucherzentrale Schleswig-Holstein vermutete weiter einen Zusammenhang mit einer Reihe von Konto-Betrugsfällen in den vergangenen Tagen.



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### Bahn-Bespitzelung

#### „Skandal völlig neuer Dimension“

**Rund 173 000 Mitarbeiter der Deutschen Bahn sind ohne ihr Wissen ausgespäht worden. Politiker laufen Sturm. Sie sehen „schutzwürdige Interessen“ verletzt und beklagen „Missbrauch“. Der Konzern muss mit einer hohen Geldbuße rechnen.**

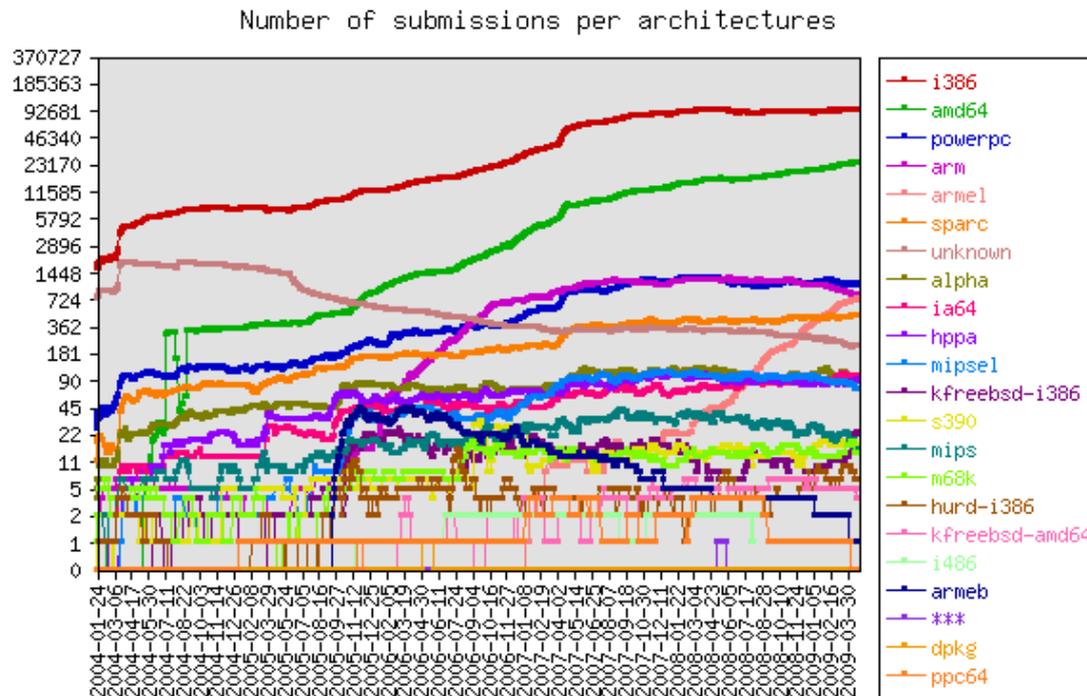
Der Antikorruptionsbeauftragte des Konzerns, Wolfgang Schauensteiner, sprach am Mittwoch im Verkehrsausschuss des Bundestags von 173 000 Beschäftigten, wie Teilnehmer der nicht öffentlichen Sitzung sagten. Die Mitarbeiterdaten wurden demnach von einer Detektei mit denjenigen von rund 80 000 Lieferanten des Konzerns abgeglichen, um mögliche Verbindungen aufzudecken. Bislang war lediglich die Überprüfung von rund 1000 leitenden Mitarbeitern in den Jahren 2002 und 2003 bekannt gewesen.



Die Bahn bespitzelte ihre Mitarbeiter dpa

## Other Examples: Debian Popularity Contest

You can help out the Debian Project by sending your popularity-contest results to us anonymously. With information from enough people, we can determine which packages are most often used, which are often installed but not used, and which are nearly never used. (...)



<http://popcon.debian.org/>

## Non-code aspects of the Usage Data Collector

- Make it as transparent as possible!
- Tell your users what you are going to do!
- Let the user decide! - Opt-In
- Check for possible legal issues!
- Let the users see the results!
- Make the source code available!

Keep in mind that usage data is sensitive data!

## Further Information

### EPP Project Webpage

- ◆ <http://www.eclipse.org/epp>

### EPP Usage Data Collector and VUA

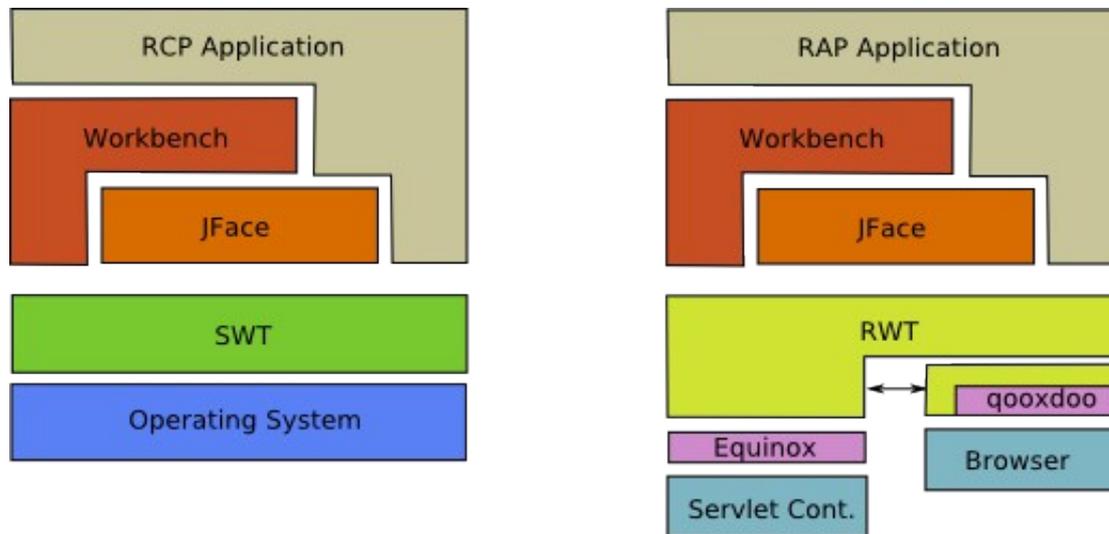
- ◆ <http://www.eclipse.org/epp/usagedata/index.php>
- ◆ <http://www.eclipse.org/org/usagedata/>
- ◆ [http://wiki.eclipse.org/EPP/Framework\\_for\\_Visual\\_Analytics\\_of\\_user\\_tracking\\_information](http://wiki.eclipse.org/EPP/Framework_for_Visual_Analytics_of_user_tracking_information)

### Mailing List

- ◆ <https://dev.eclipse.org/mailman/listinfo/epp-dev>

# Backup

## RCP vs. RAP – Architecture



<http://www.eclipse.org/rap/>