

The Ultimate Dependency Manager Shootout

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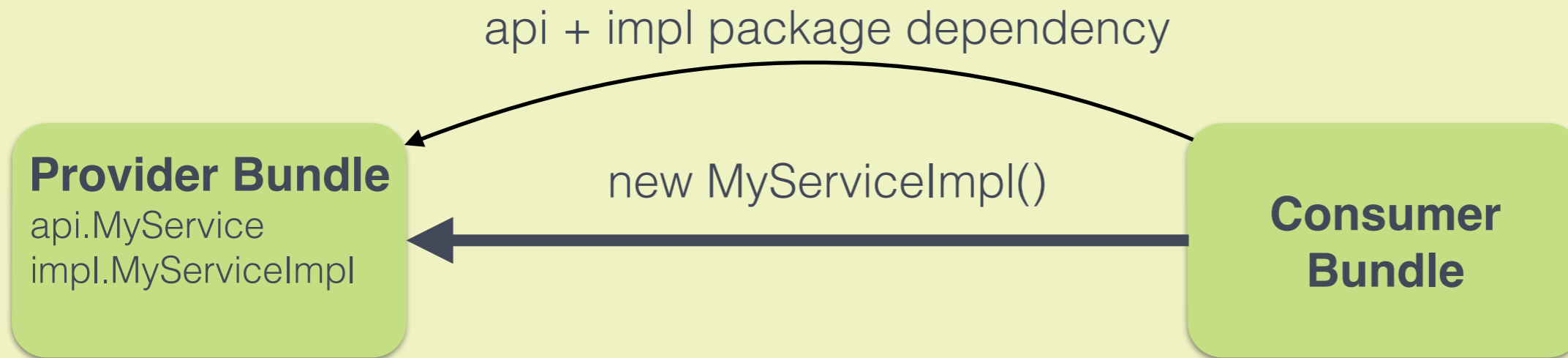
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Agenda

- ▶ OSGi Services
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- ▶ Comparison
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 - ▶ Code
 - ▶ Performance
- ▶ Conclusion

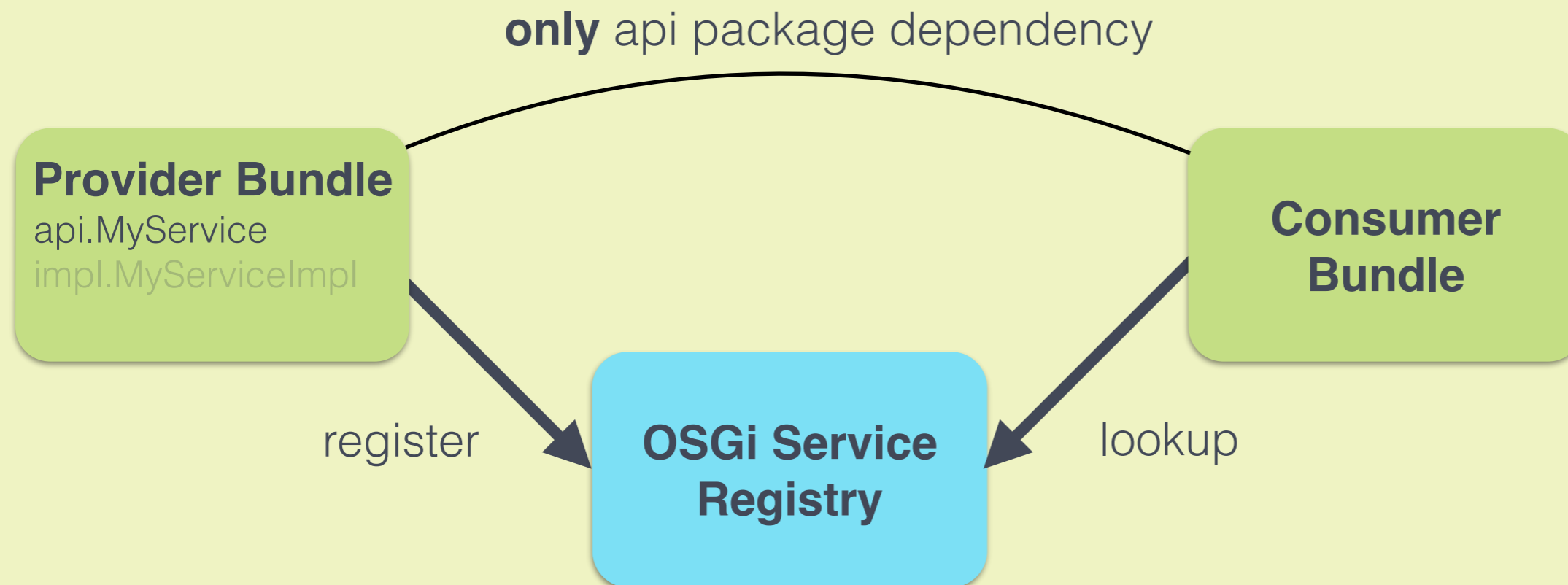
OSGi Services

OSGi Services



- ▶ Strong coupling to implementation
- ▶ What if provider bundle not available/stops?
- ▶ What about configuration?

OSGi Services



- ▶ Decoupling through interfaces
- ▶ Inversion of Control
- ▶ Service dynamics

A decorative graphic consisting of a large cyan rectangle on the left, a smaller red rectangle on the right, and a lime green rectangle at the bottom. The text 'Dependency Managers' is overlaid on the cyan and lime green areas.

Dependency Managers

Why Dependency Managers?

```
public class MathServiceTracker extends ServiceTracker {
    private MathServiceConsumer mathServiceConsumer;

    public MathServiceTracker(
        BundleContext bundleContext,
        MathServiceConsumer mathServiceConsumer) {
        super(bundleContext, IMathService.class);
        this.mathServiceConsumer = mathServiceConsumer;
    }
}
```

```
@Override
public Object addingService(ServiceReference<IMathService> serviceReference) {
    System.out.println("hello");
    IMathService mathService = (IMathService) bundleContext.getService(serviceReference);
    mathServiceConsumer.setMathService(mathService);
    return mathService;
}
```

```
@Override
public void modifyService(ServiceReference<IMathService> serviceReference, IMathService mathService) {
    this.mathServiceConsumer.setMathService(mathService);
}
```

```
@Override
public void removeService(ServiceReference<IMathService> serviceReference) {
    //for clean up
    this.mathServiceConsumer.setMathService(null);
    context.unregister(serviceReference);
}
```

```
}
```

```
public class Activator implements BundleActivator {

    private MathServiceTracker mathServiceTracker;

    public void start(BundleContext bundleContext) throws Exception {
        MathServiceConsumer consumer = new MathServiceConsumer();
        mathServiceTracker =
            new MathServiceTracker(bundleContext, consumer);
        mathServiceTracker.open();
    }
}
```

```
public class Activator implements BundleActivator {
    private ServiceRegistration serviceRegistration;

    public void start(BundleContext bundleContext) throws Exception {
        MathService mathService = new MathService();
        serviceRegistration = bundleContext.registerService(
            IMathService.class.getName(), mathService, null
        );
    }

    public void stop(BundleContext bundleContext) throws Exception {
        serviceRegistration.unregister();
    }
}
```

```
throws Exception {
```


Why Dependency Managers?

- ▶ Cut down the **boilerplate**
- ▶ **Decouple** from OSGi APIs
- ▶ Dependency Injection
 - ▶ Testability
- ▶ Component models
 - ▶ Aspects
 - ▶ Adapters
 - ▶ Etc.

Components...?

```
org.apache.felix.ipojo.annotations.Component  
org.osgi.service.component.annotations.Component  
aQute.bnd.annotation.component.Component  
org.apache.felix.dm.annotation.api.Component  
org.springframework.stereotype.Component
```

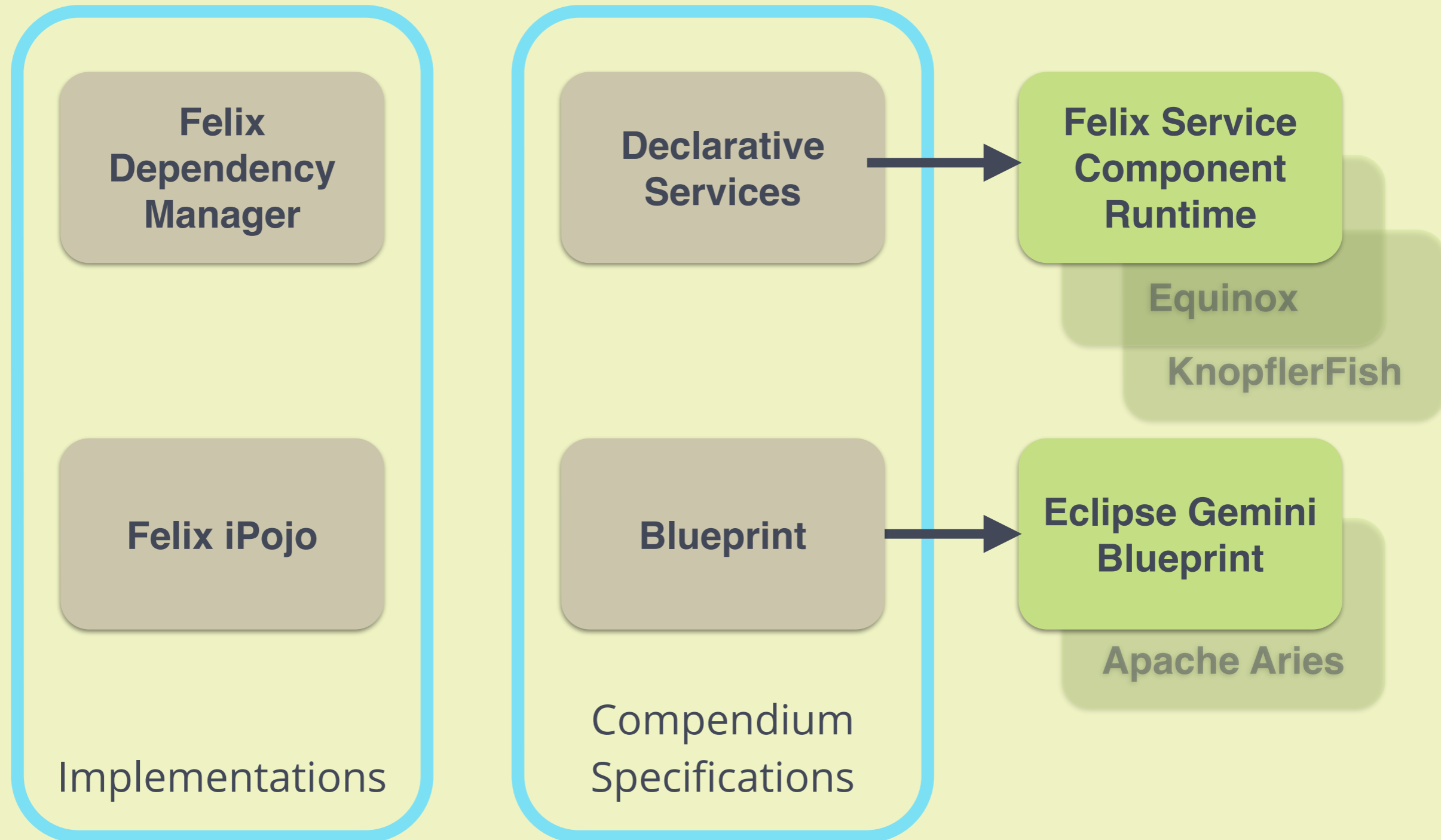
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Notions: contract-based, reactive, explicit lifecycle



Comparison

The lineup



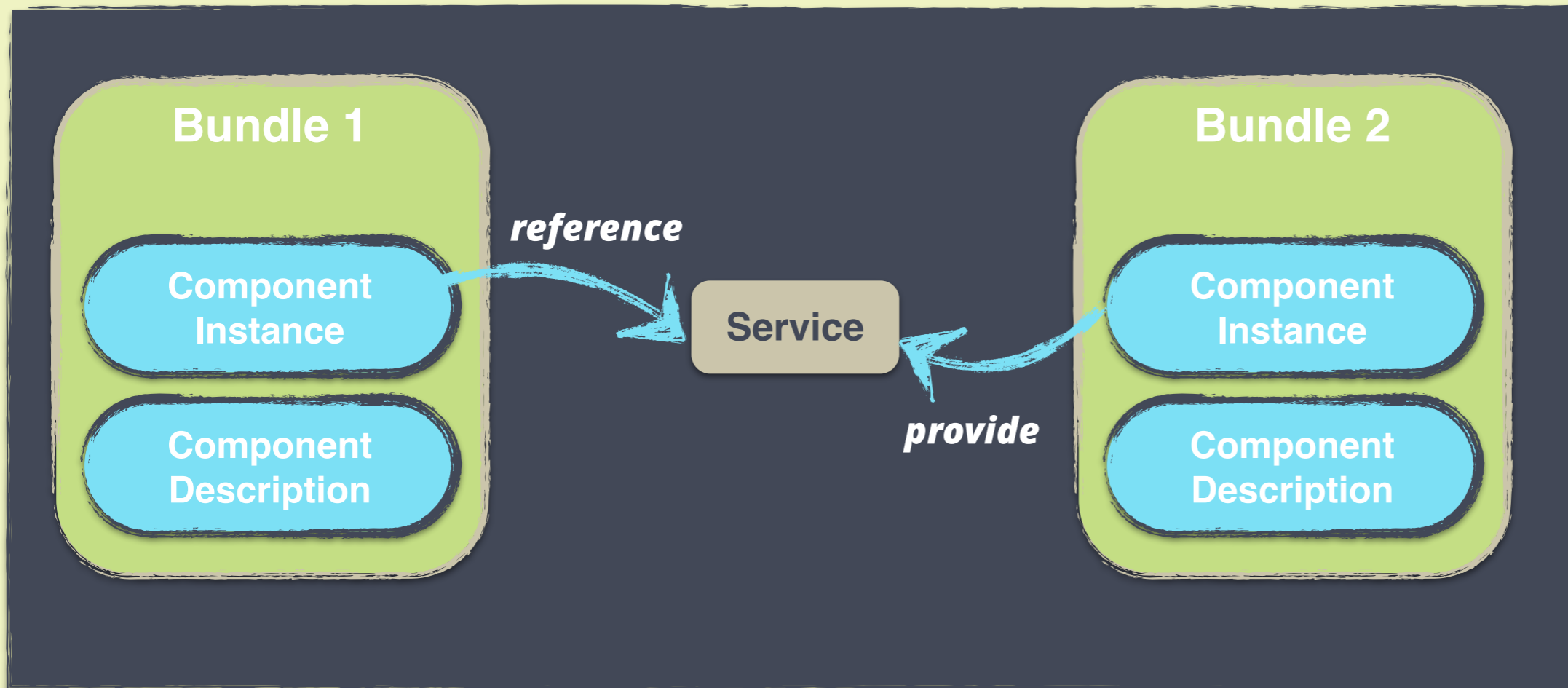
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We primarily work with (and on) Felix DM

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Declarative Services

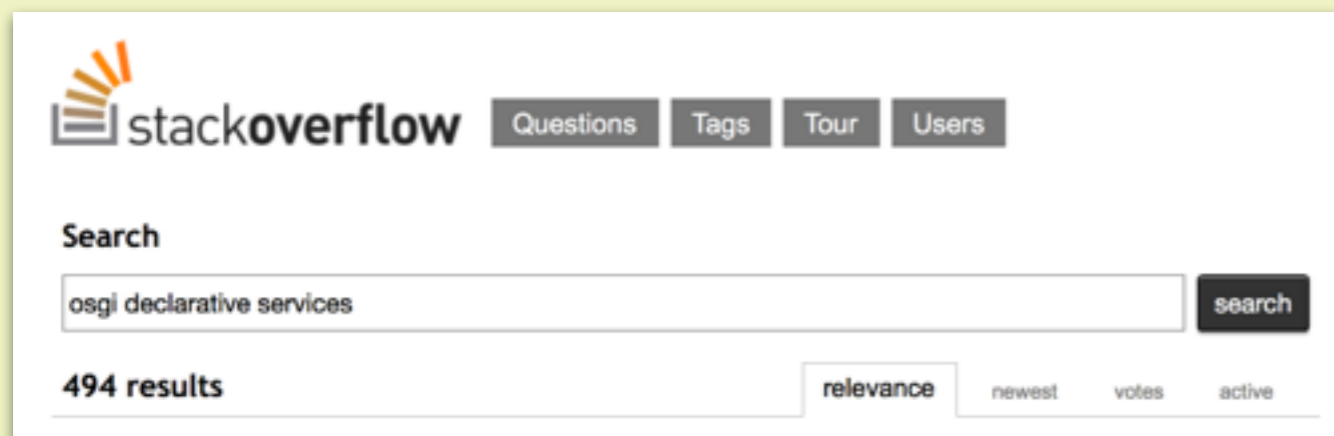


Additional abstractions:

- ▶ ComponentContext for each component
- ▶ ComponentFactory: client initiates instantiation

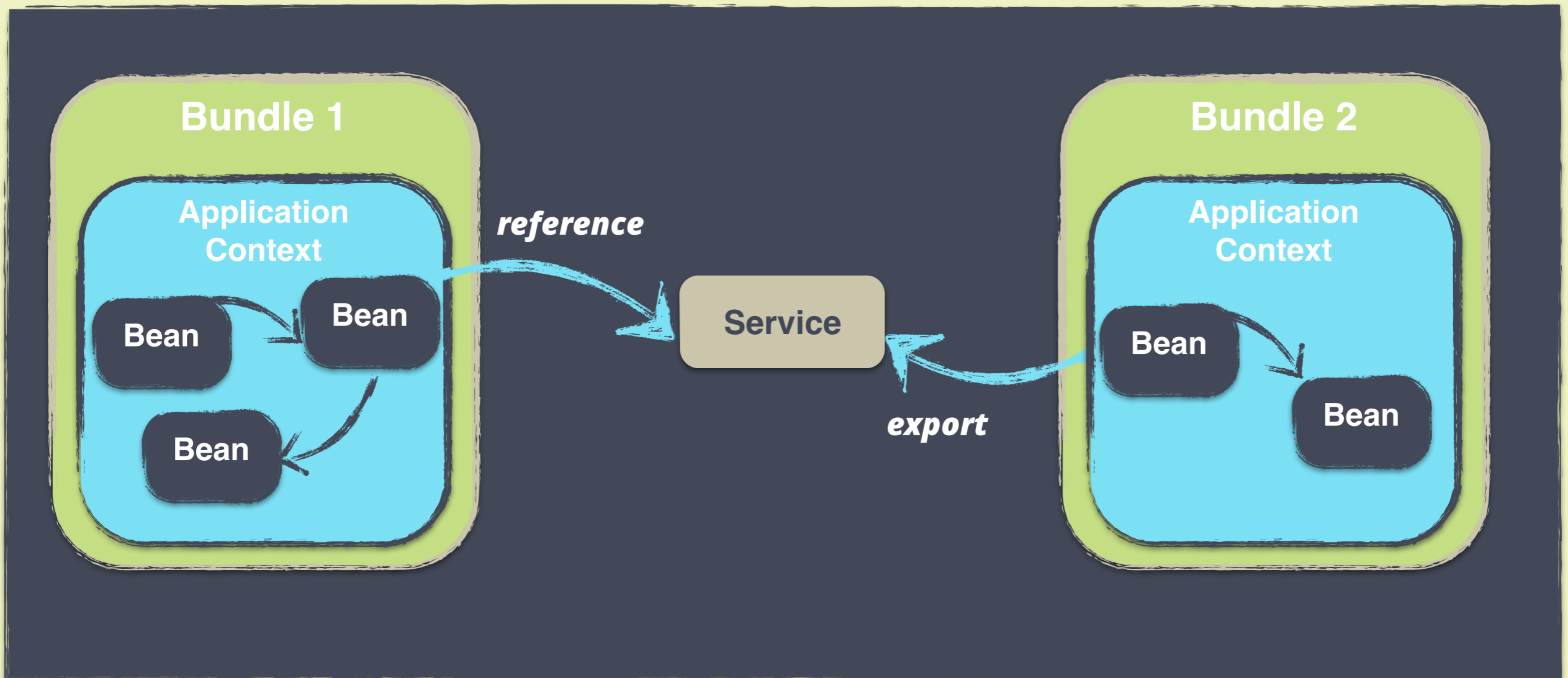
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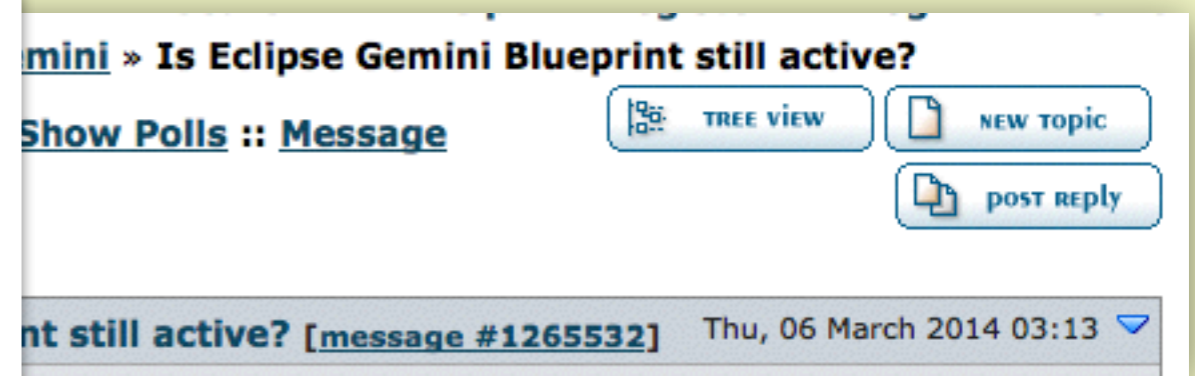
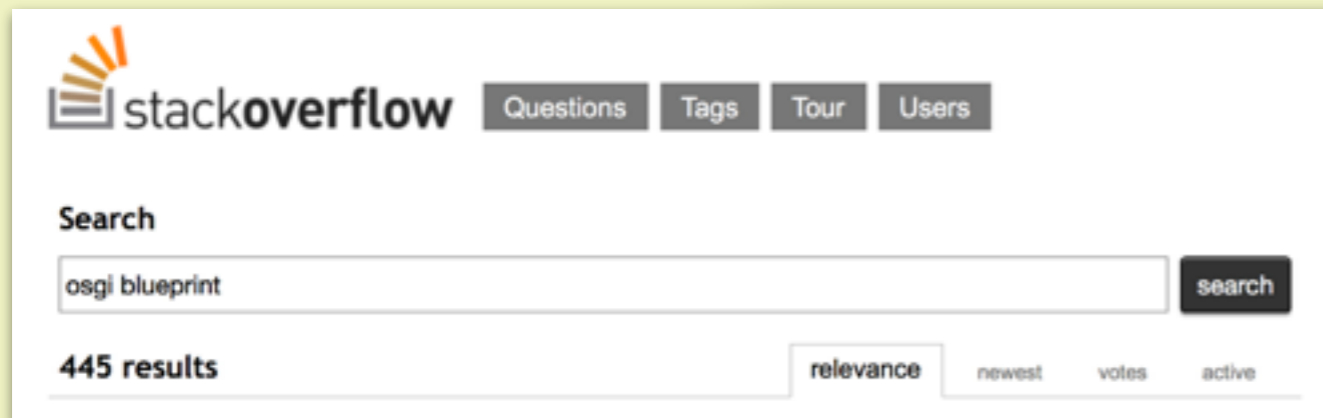
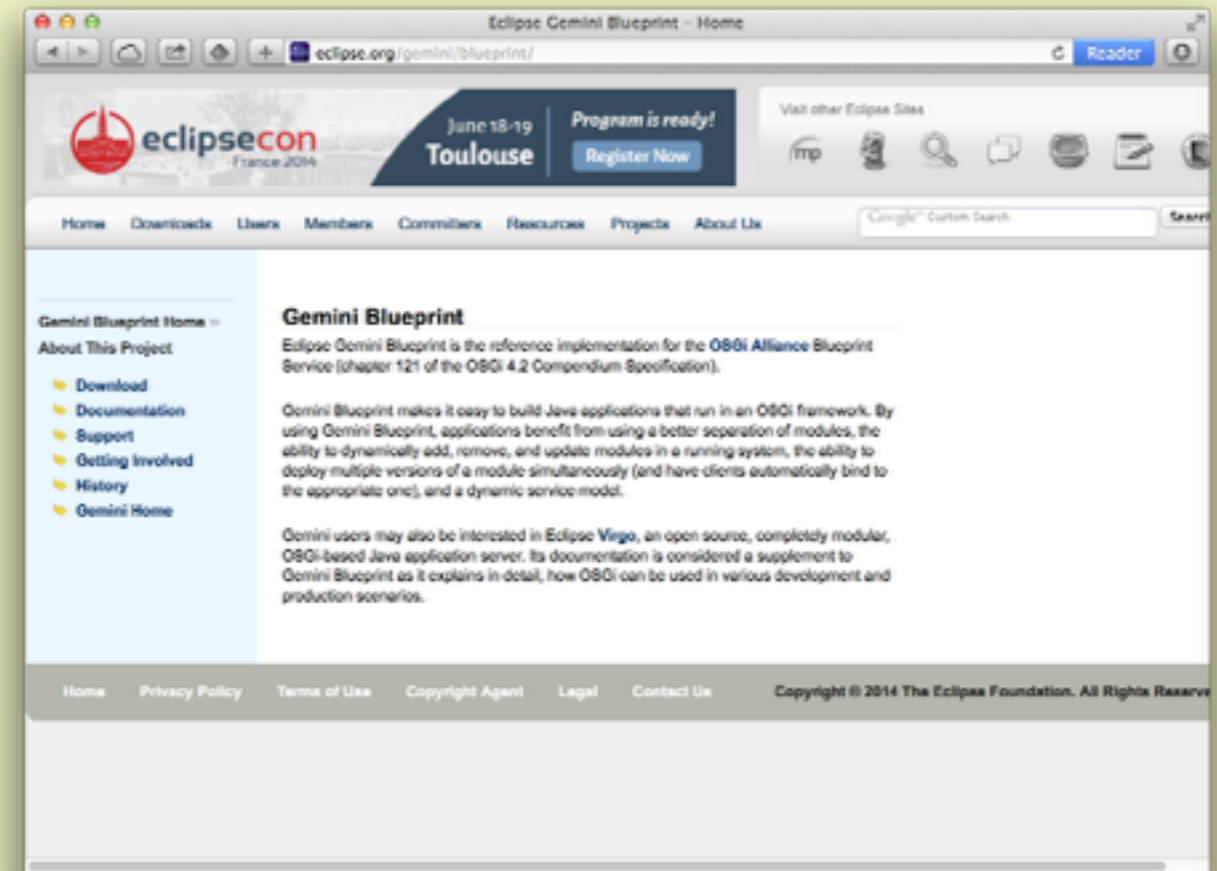
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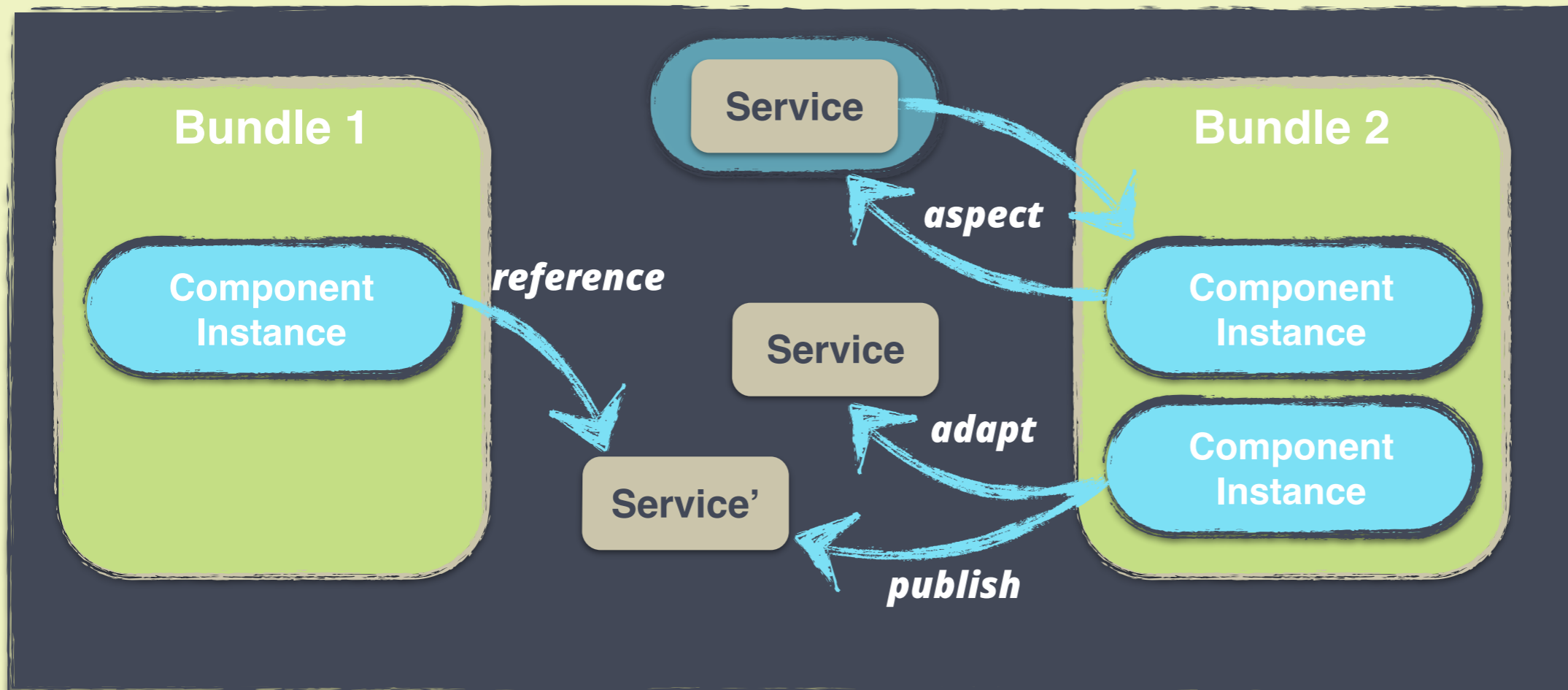
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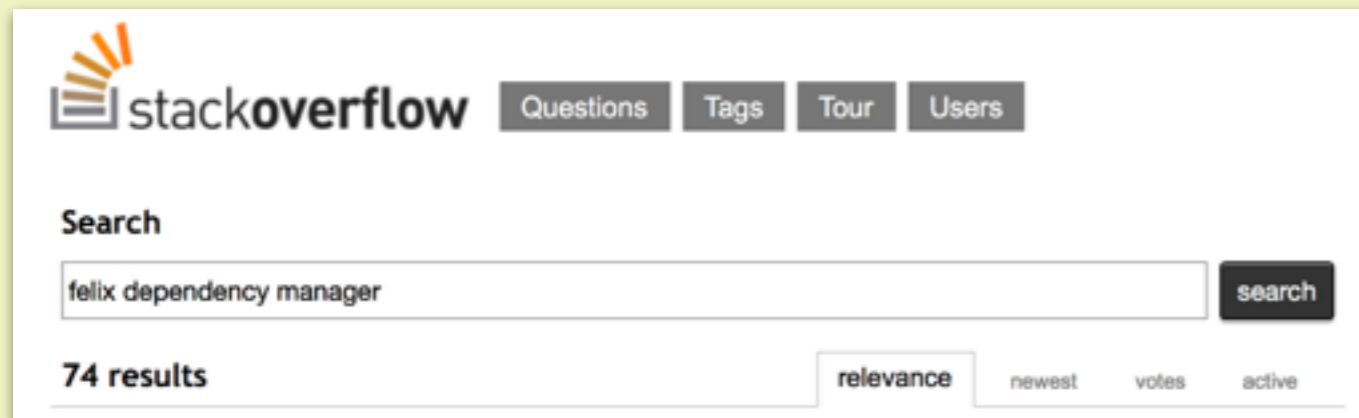


Additional abstractions:

- ▶ Aspect: intercept and republish service
- ▶ Adapter: publish service with adapted interface

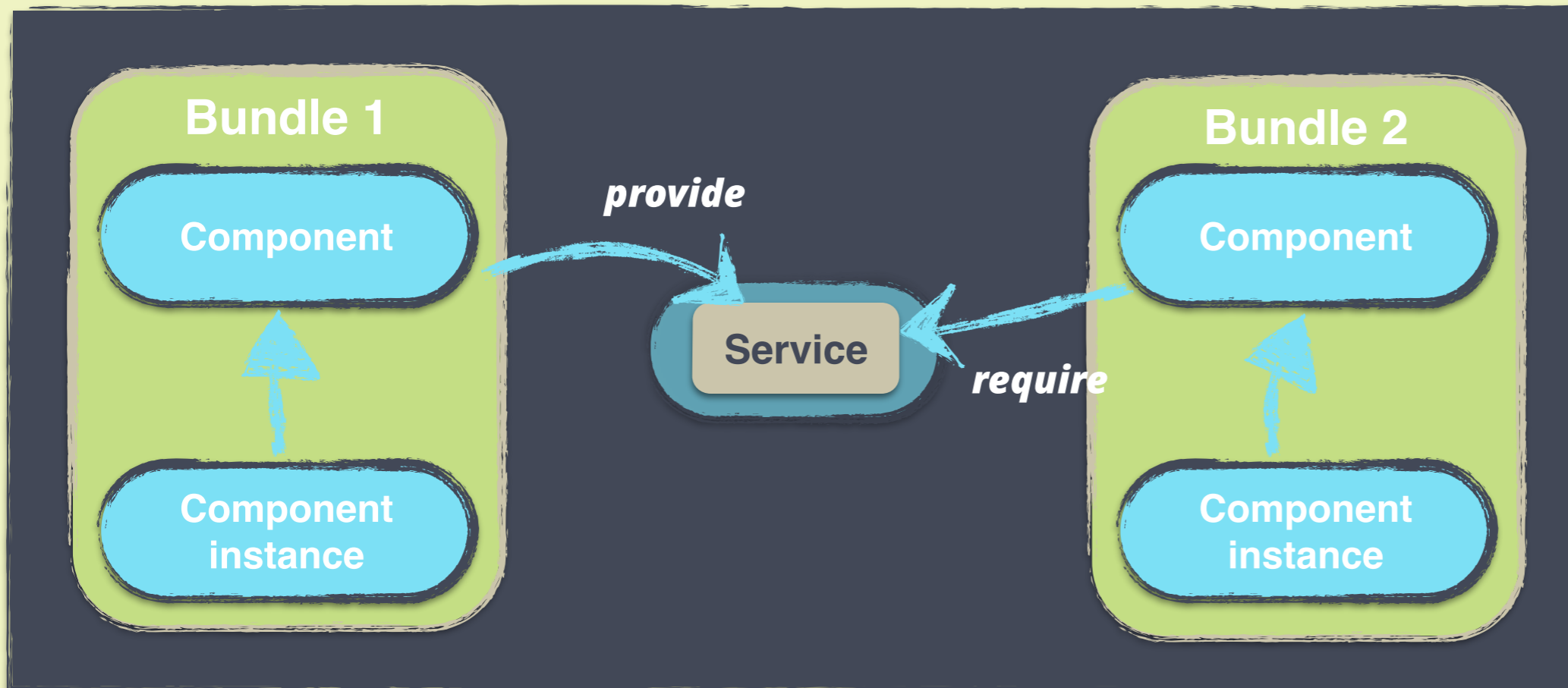
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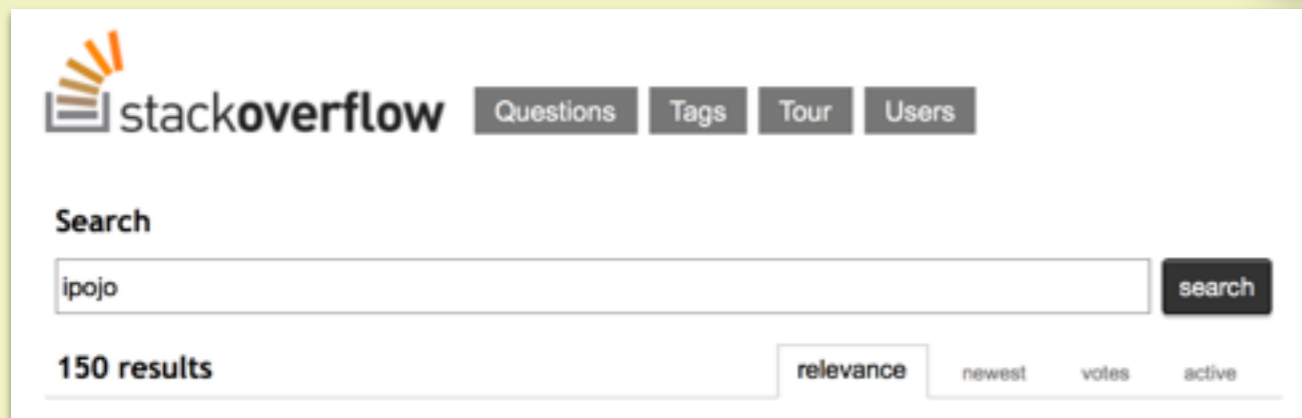
Additional abstractions:

- ▶ Composites: intra-bundle mechanism
- ▶ Scoped service registries
- ▶ Pluggable handlers



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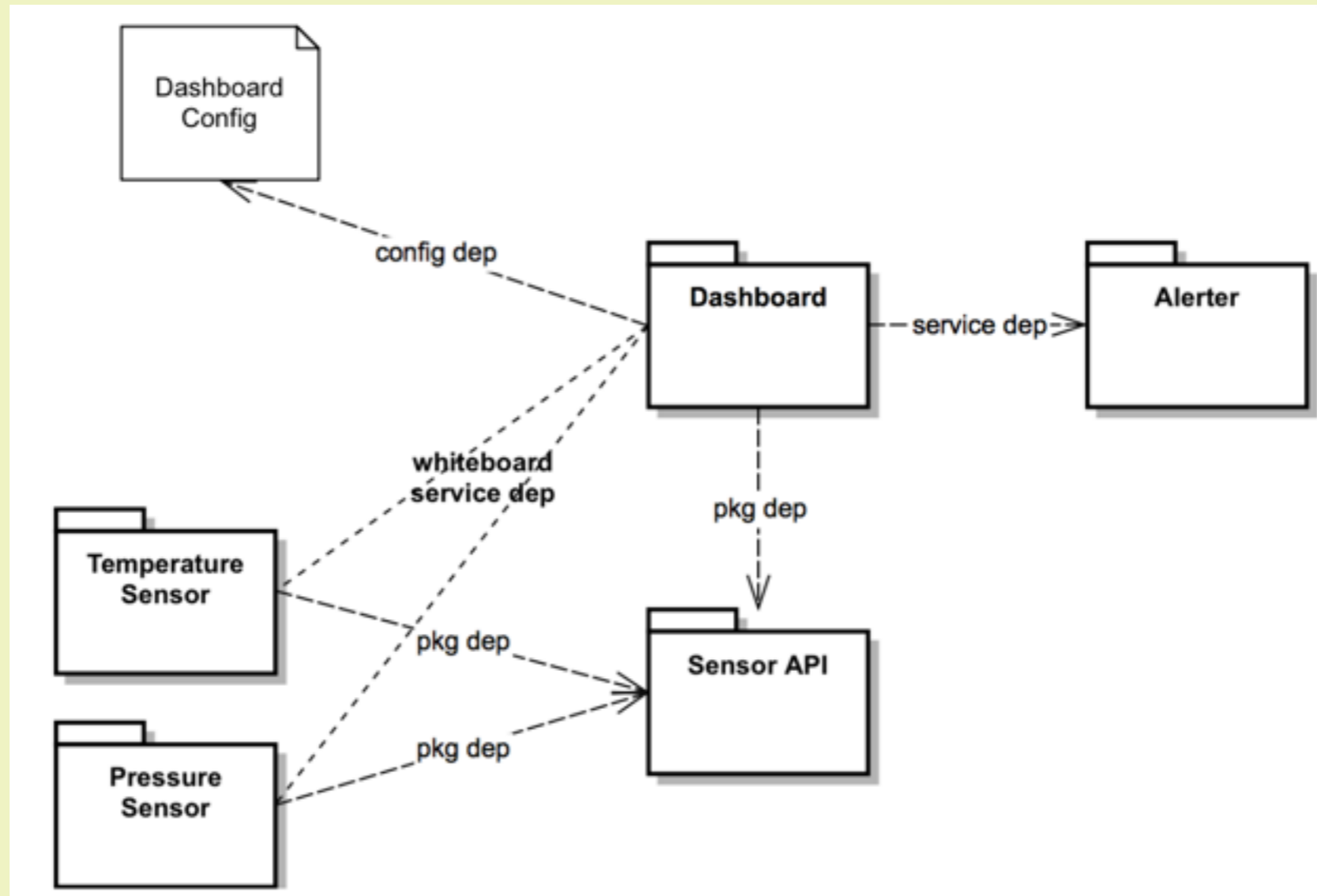


Best site among DMs!

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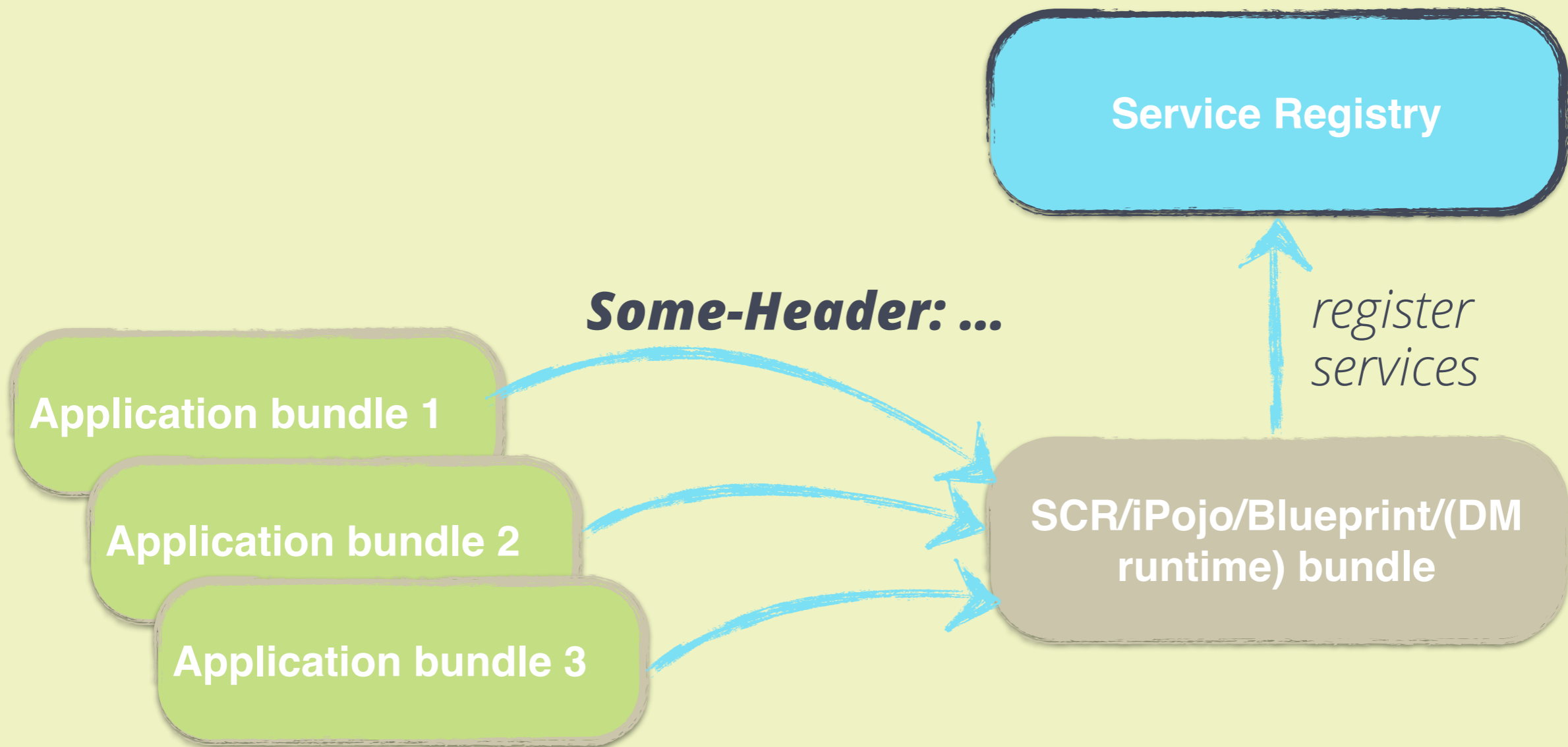
Comparison: **code**

The example



<http://bit.ly/dmshootout>

Extender pattern



Declarative Services

Temperature Sensor
Bundle

META-INF/MANIFEST.MF
OSGI-INF/temp.xml

TemperatureSensor.class

```
Bundle-SymbolicName: sensors.ds.temp
Import-Package: shootout.ds.sensor.api;version="[1.0,2)"
Include-Resource: OSGI-INF/temp.xml=OSGI-INF/temp.xml
Private-Package: shootout.ds.sensor.temp
Service-Component: OSGI-INF/temp.xml
```

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<component name="shootout.ds.sensors.temp" immediate="false">
  <implementation class="shootout.ds.sensor.temp.TemperatureSensor" />
  <property name="service.description" value="Temperature Sensor" />
  <service>
    <provide interface="shootout.ds.sensor.api.Sensor" />
  </service>
</component>
```

Declarative

Dashboard Bundle

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8" standalone="yes" ?>
<component xmlns="http://schemas.osgi.org/xmlns/Bundle-2.0"
  immediate="true" class="org.osgi.samples.dashboard.DashboardImpl" >
  <implementation class="org.osgi.samples.dashboard.DashboardImpl" />
  <property name="service.bundle-symbolic-name" value="org.osgi.samples.dashboard" />
  <service>
    <provide interface="org.osgi.samples.dashboard.Dashboard" />
  </service>
  <reference name="sensors"
    cardinality="1..*"
    <reference name="setAlerter"
      bind="setAlerter"
      cardinality="1..1"
    />
  />
</component>
```

```
public class DashboardImpl implements Dashboard {
    private Alerter alerter;

    public synchronized void setAlerter(Alerter alerter) {
        this.alerter = alerter;
    }

    public synchronized void unsetAlerter(Alerter alerter) {
        if (this.alerter == alerter) {
            this.alerter = null;
        }
    }

    protected void activate(Map<String, Object> properties) {
        System.out.println("DashboardImpl activated");
        properties.get("refreshinterval");
    }

    protected void deactivate() {
        System.out.println("DashboardImpl deactivated");
    }

    private Set<Sensor> sensors = Collections
        .newSetFromMap(new ConcurrentHashMap<Sensor, Boolean>());

    public void sensorRemoved(Sensor sensor) {
        System.out.println("Sensor removed " + sensor.toString());
        sensors.remove(sensor);
    }

    public void sensorAdded(Sensor sensor) {
        System.out.println("Sensor added " + sensor.toString());
        sensors.add(sensor);
    }
}
```

board"

ynamic" />

Declarative Services

- ▶ No direct field injection
- ▶ Defaults:
 - ▶ Delayed component (activate on use)
 - ▶ Static policy -> many reactivations

What if
'better'
service
arrives?

	Static	Dynamic
Reluctant	Do nothing	Rebind optionals
Greedy	Reactivate	Rebind

BluePrint

Temperature Sensor
Bundle

```
Bundle-SymbolicName: sensors.blueprint.temp  
Import-Package: shootout.blueprint.sensor.api;version="[1.0,2)"  
Private-Package: shootout.blueprint.sensor.temp
```

Bundle-Blueprint header optional

META-INF/MANIFEST.MF
OSGI-INF/blueprint/temp.xml

TemperatureSensor.class

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>  
<blueprint xmlns="http://www.osgi.org/xmlns/blueprint/v1.0.0">  
  <service id="tempService" interface="shootout.blueprint.sensor.api.Sensor"  
    ref="temp" />  
  
  <bean id="temp" class="shootout.blueprint.sensor.temp.TemperatureSensor">  
  </bean>  
</blueprint>
```

BlueP

Dashboard B

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8" ?>
<blueprint xmlns="http://www.springframework.org/schema/blueprint"
  xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
  xsi:schemaLocation="http://www.springframework.org/schema/blueprint
    http://www.springframework.org/schema/blueprint-2.0.0.xsd" >

  <service id="dashboard"
    ref="dashboard" />

  <bean id="dashboard"
    class="sh.springframework.samples.dashboard.DashboardImpl" />

  <property name="sensors"
    ref="sensors" />

  <property name="alerter"
    ref="alerter" />

  <property name="refreshinterval"
    ref="refreshinterval" />

  <!-- The following property is used to
  the given class name. -->
  <bp-comp:property name="refreshinterval"
    value="1000" />
</bean>
</blueprint>
```

```
public class DashboardImpl implements Dashboard {
```

```
    private List<Sensor> sensors;
    private Alerter alerter;
    private Integer refreshinterval;
```

```
    // No special name, referenced with init-method property. Must be public
```

```
    public void myActivate() {
        System.out.println("DashboardImpl activated");
    }
```

```
    // No special name, referenced with destroy-method property. Must be public.
```

```
    public void myDeactivate() {
        System.out.println("DashboardImpl deactivated");
    }
```

```
    public synchronized void setSensors(List<Sensor> sensors) {
        this.sensors = sensors;
    }
```

```
    public synchronized void setAlerter(Alerter alerter) {
        this.alerter = alerter;
    }
```

```
    public synchronized void setRefreshinterval(Integer refreshinterval) {
        this.refreshinterval = refreshinterval;
    }
```

```
}
```

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Blueprint

- ▶ Strong focus on intra-bundle composition
- ▶ Hides dynamicity (until TimeoutException...)
 - ▶ If dependency goes away, component is not stopped. If service is exposed, unregisters it.
 - ▶ No lazy activation like DS
 - ▶ Whole 'applicationContext' started or not
- ▶ (Custom) TypeConverters
- ▶ Constructor/setter injection, no field injection
- ▶ Namespace hell :(

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```
Bundle-SymbolicName: sensors.dm.temp
Import-Package: org.apache.felix.dm;version="[3.0,4)",org.osgi.framework
;version="[1.6,2)",shootout.dm.sensor.api;version="[1.0,2)"
Private-Package: shootout.dm.sensor.temp
Bundle-Activator: shootout.dm.sensor.temp.Activator
```

Temperate Sensor
Bundle

META-INF/MANIFEST.MF

Activator.class

TemperatureSensor.class

```
public class Activator extends DependencyActivatorBase {

    @Override
    public void init(BundleContext context, DependencyManager manager)
        throws Exception {
        Dictionary<String, String> props = new Hashtable<String, String>();
        props.put("sensor.type", "temperature");

        manager.add(createComponent()
            .setInterface(Sensor.class.getName(), props)
            .setImplementation(TemperatureSensor.class)
        );
    }

    @Override
    public void destroy(BundleContext context, DependencyManager manager)
        throws Exception {
        // Nothing to do
    }
}
```

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Dashboard Bund

```
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public void i  
    throws Ex  
  
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    .add(cr  
    .add(cr  
    );  
}  
  
}
```

```
public class DashboardImpl implements Dashboard, ManagedService {  
  
    private volatile Alerter alerter;  
  
    // Special method called by Felix DM  
    public void start() {  
        System.out.println("DashboardImpl activated");  
        // ...  
    }  
  
    // Special method called by Felix DM  
    public void stop() {  
        System.out.println("DashboardImpl deactivated");  
        // ...  
    }  
  
    private Set<Sensor> sensors = Collections  
        .newSetFromMap(new ConcurrentHashMap<Sensor, Boolean>());  
  
    public void sensorAdded(Sensor sensor) {  
        System.out.println("Sensor added " + sensor.toString());  
        sensors.add(sensor);  
    }  
  
    public void sensorRemoved(Sensor sensor) {  
        System.out.println("Sensor removed " + sensor.toString());  
        sensors.remove(sensor);  
    }  
  
    @Override  
    public void updated(Dictionary<String, ?> properties)  
        throws ConfigurationException {  
        // ...  
    }  
}
```

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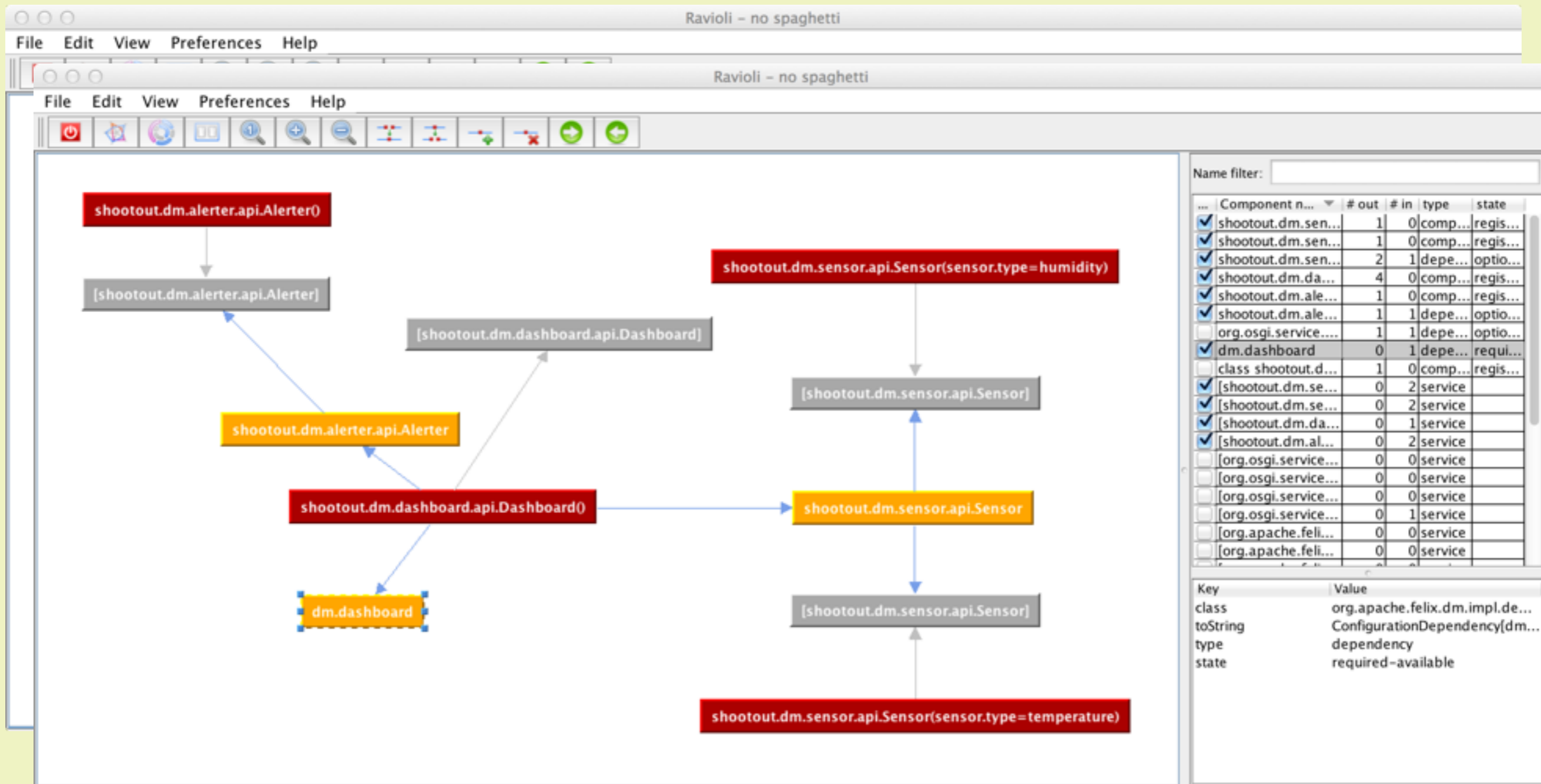
Felix Dependency Manager

- ▶ **It's code:** dynamically create and depend on services
- ▶ Annotations available (+ bnd plugin)
- ▶ Field injection, NullObject pattern
- ▶ Manual mgmt. of list of dependencies :(
- ▶ Services registered eagerly from Activator
- ▶ Features: aspects, adapters

DM 4 coming up...

Felix Dependency Manager

► <https://bitbucket.org/uiterlix/ravioli>



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Temperate Sensor
Bundle



TemperatureSensor.class
metadata.xml

META-INF/MANIFEST.MF

```
Bundle-SymbolicName: dashboard
Bundle-Version: 0.0.0.201406012309
Export-Package: shootout.ipoyo.dashboard.api;version="1.0"
Import-Package: org.apache.felix.ipoyo;version="[1.11.2,2.0.0)",org.apac
he.felix.ipoyo.architecture;version="[1.11.2,2.0.0)",org.osgi.service.cm;version="[1.4,2)",org.osgi.service.log;version="1.3",shootout.ipoyo.a
lerter.api;version="[1.0,2)",shootout.ipoyo.dashboard.api;version="[1.0
,2)",shootout.ipoyo.sensor.api;version="[1.0,2)"
IPOJO-Components: instance { $component="shootout.ipoyo.dashboard.Dashbo
ardImpl" }instance { $component="shootout.ipoyo.dashboard.ConfigCreator
" }component { $name="shootout.ipoyo.dashboard.DashboardImpl" $classnam
e="shootout.ipoyo.dashboard.DashboardImpl" properties { $pid="ipoyo.das
hboard" $updated="updated" }requires { $field="alerter" }requires { $ag
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sorRemoved" $type="unbind" }}callback { $transition="validate" $method=
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ame="shootout.ipoyo.dashboard.api.Dashboard" }interface { $name="org.os
gi.service.cm.ManagedService" }field { $name="alerter" $type="shootout.
ipoyo.alerter.api.Alerter" }field { $name="refreshinterval" $type="java
.lang.Integer" }field { $name="sensors" $type="java.util.Set" }field {
$name="timer" $type="java.util.Timer" }method { $name="$init" }method {
```

Generated by IDE plugin by processing annotations
and metadata.xml

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```
@Component(managedservice="ipojo.dashboard")
@Provides
public class DashboardImpl implements Dashboard, ManagedService {

    @Requires
    private volatile Alerter alerter;

    // Special method called by iPojo
    @Validate
    public void start() {
        System.out.println("DashboardImpl activated");
    }
}
```

```
<ipojo>
  <instance component="shootout.ipojo.dashboard.DashboardImpl"/>
</ipojo>
```

```
//..
}

@Bind(aggregate=true, optional=false)
public void sensorAdded(Sensor sensor) {
    System.out.println("Sensor added " + sensor.toString());
    sensors.add(sensor);
}

@Unbind
public void sensorRemoved(Sensor sensor) {
    System.out.println("Sensor removed " + sensor);
    sensors.remove(sensor);
}

@Override
@Updated
public void updated(Dictionary<String, ?> properties)
    throws ConfigurationException {
    //..
}
}
```


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- ▶ Both ,static' configuration and configuration using code
- ▶ Dependency manager with the most advanced features:
 - ▶ External handlers
 - ▶ Service binding interceptors
 - ▶ Stereotypes
- ▶ Annotations limited to declaring components and ,simple' instances. XML recommended for declaring instances.
- ▶ Shell commands for component inspection

Comparison: **performance**

Benchmarks

- ▶ Don't be afraid of too many services ?
- ▶ Promises...
- ▶ *„Each bundle may register zero or more services. Each bundle may also use zero or more services. There exists **no limit** on the number of services, more than the ones given by memory limits or java security permissions.“*

(Knoplerfish tutorial)

Benchmark scenario

Temperature sensors for each postal code in the Netherlands

463860 Sensor services

Service properties:

- Province
- Municipality
- City
- PostalCode



Benchmarks

- ▶ Publishing Sensor services
 - ▶ Felix, Equinox, Knoplerfish
 - ▶ Plain OSGi, DM, iPojo

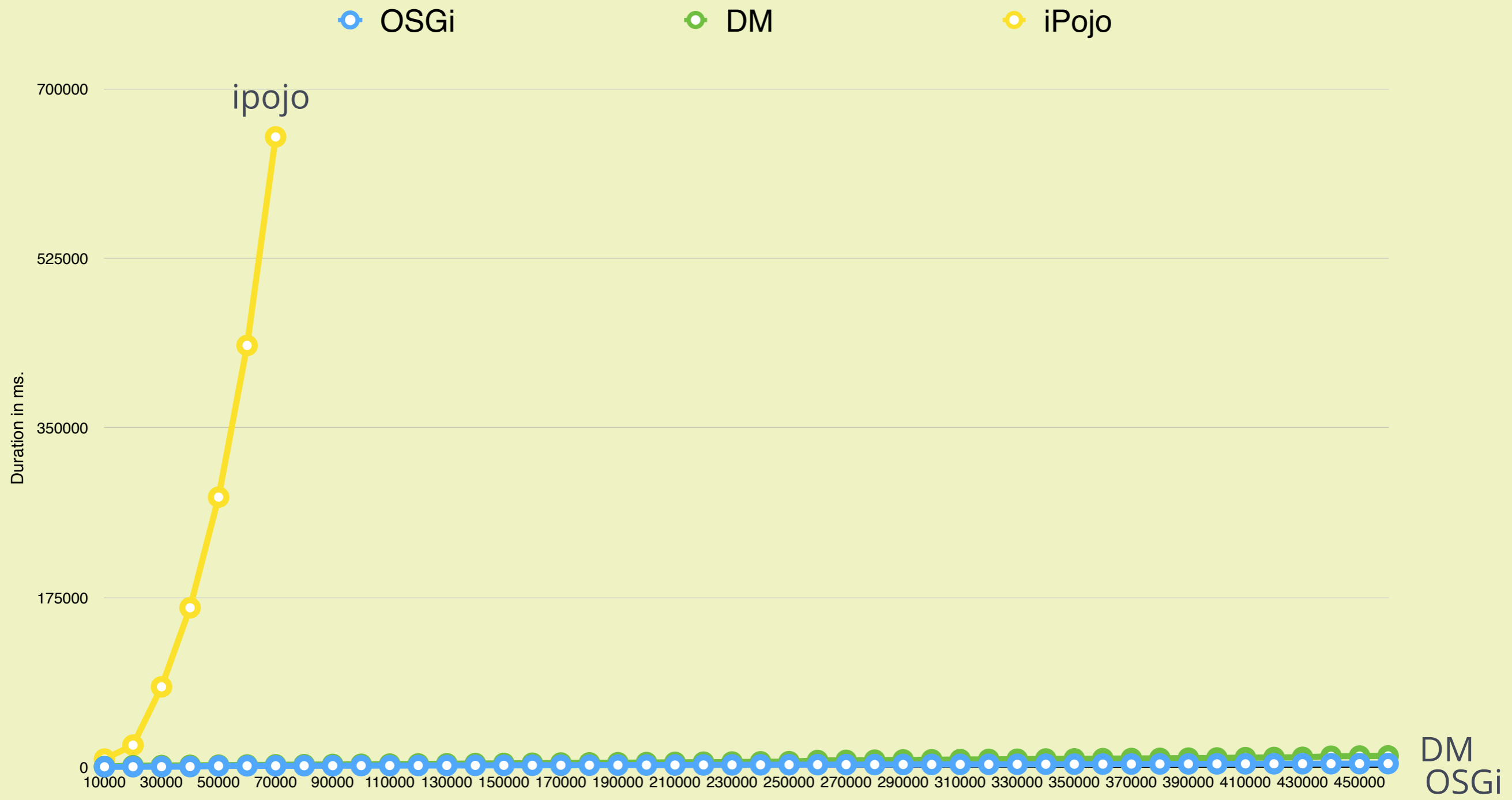
- ▶ Consuming Sensor services
 - ▶ Whiteboard; all sensors in Amsterdam
(`&(province=Noord-Holland)(municipality=Amsterdam)`)
 - ▶ Felix, Equinox, Knoplerfish
 - ▶ DS, DM, iPojo, Blueprint

Disclaimer

- ▶ Results are as-is, no further investigation done
- ▶ No optimizations done
- ▶ You can repeat these tests yourself.
Projects are available on github

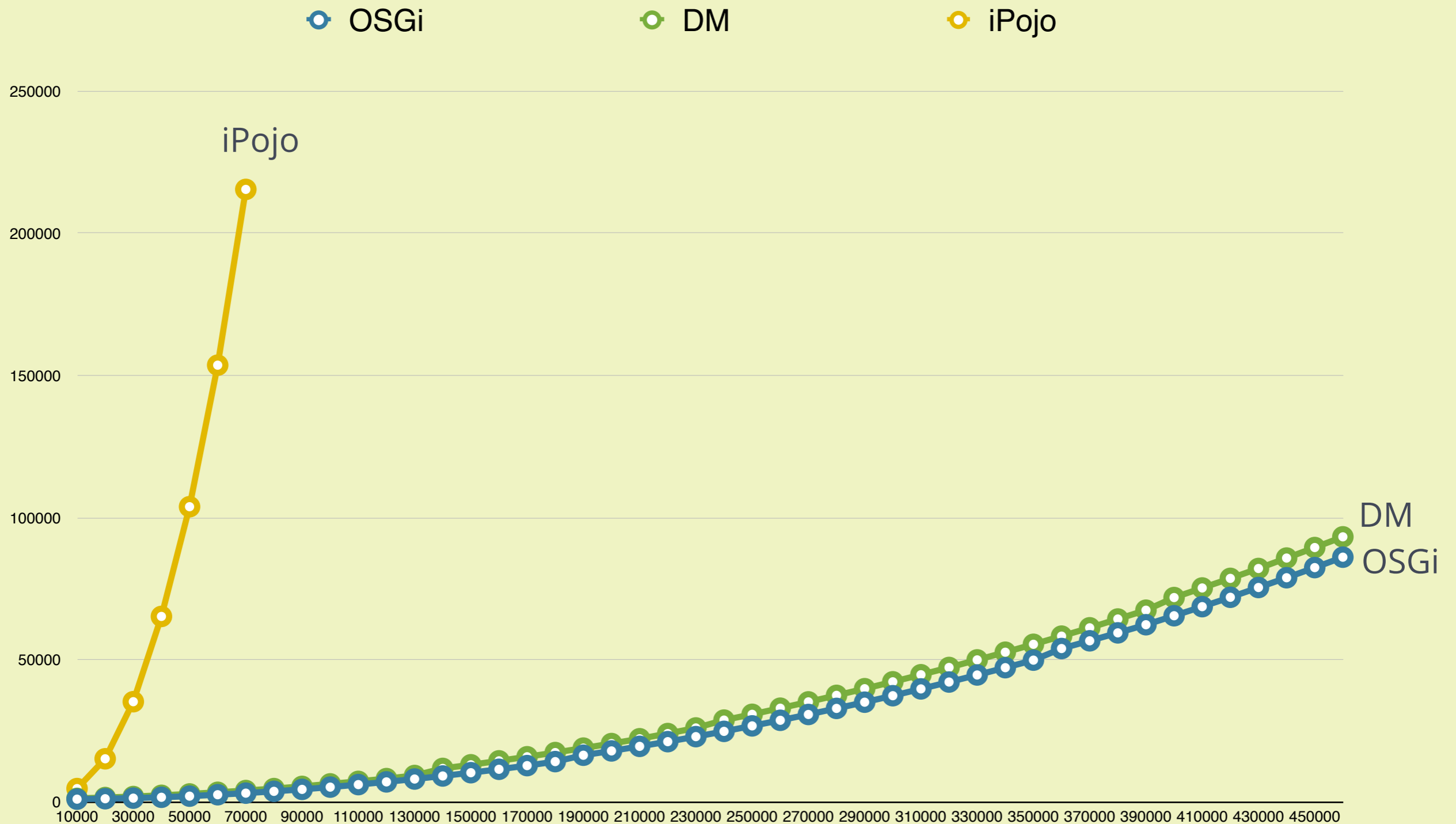
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Register services (Equinox)



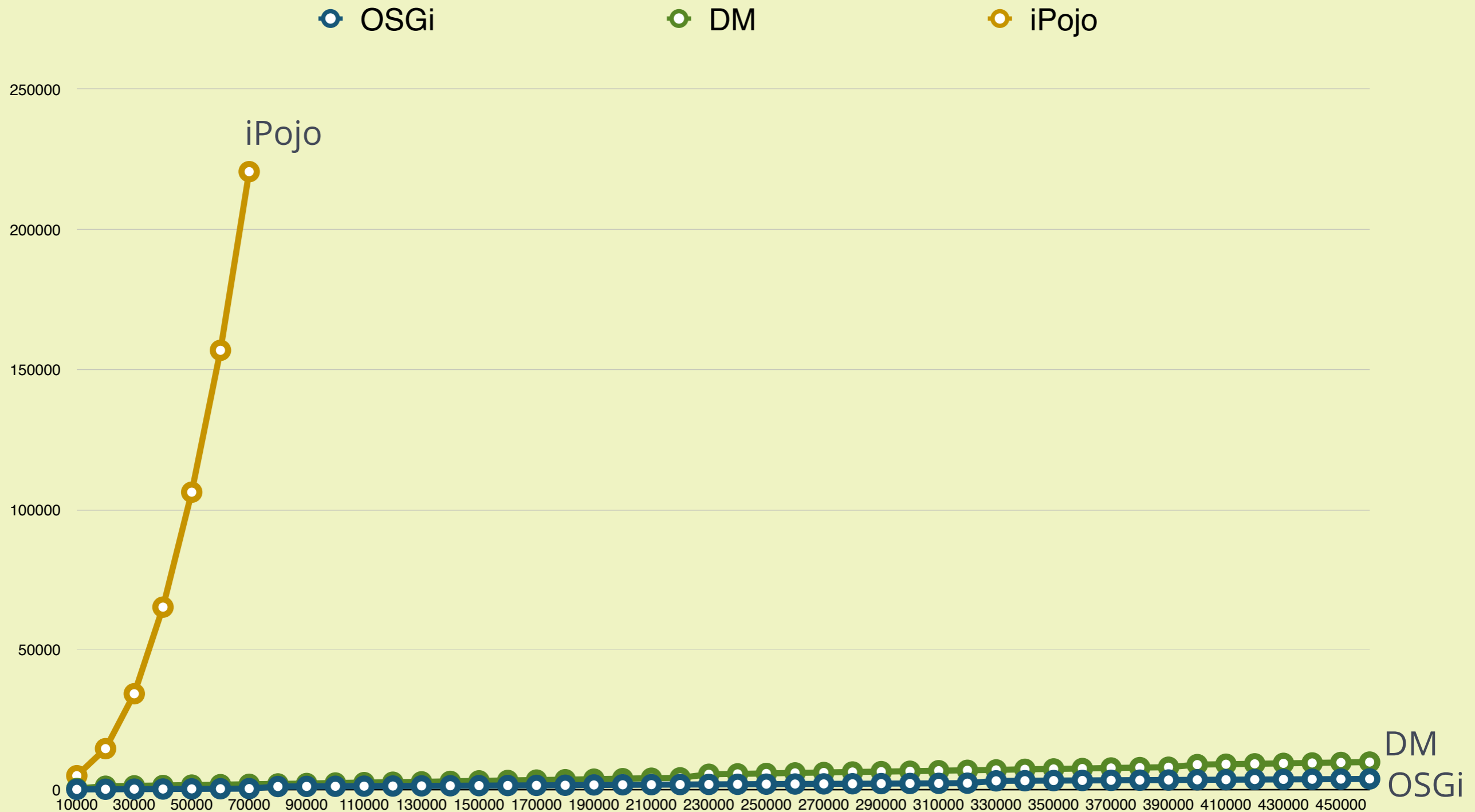
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Register services (Felix)



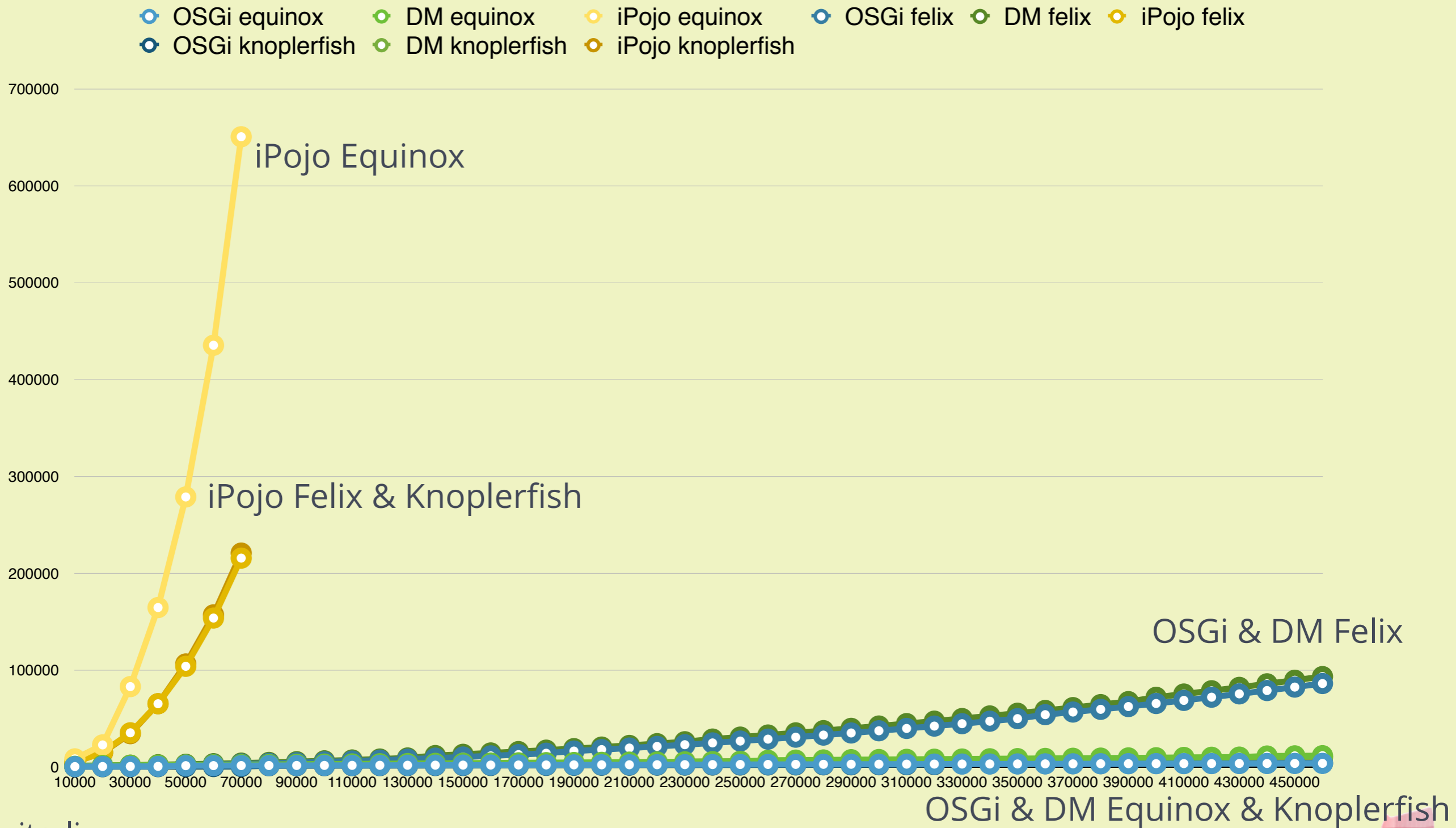
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Register services (Knoplerfish)



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Register services (combined)



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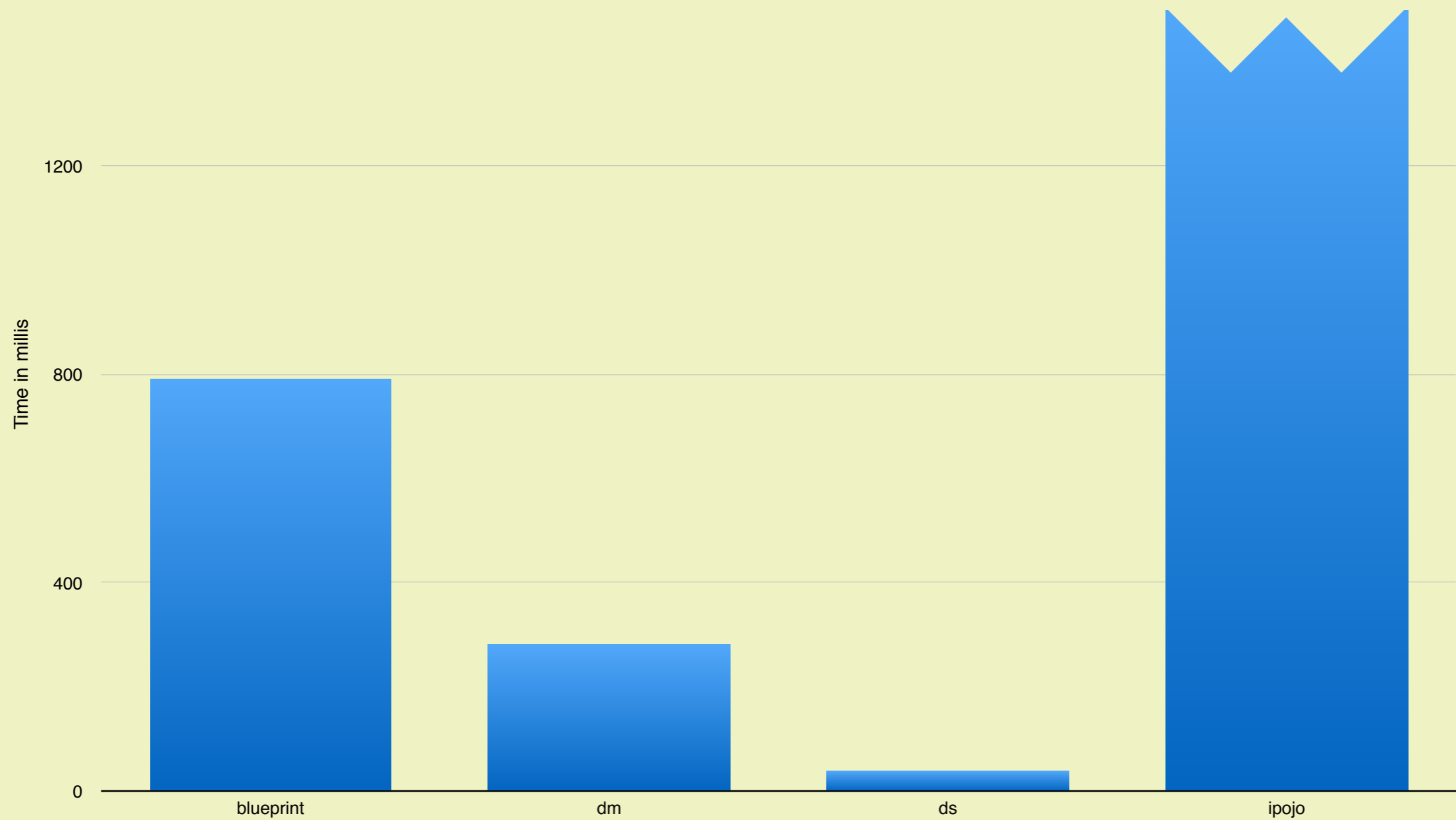
OSGi & DM Equinox & Knoplerfish

Register services

- ▶ Observations
 - ▶ Non linear results for registering services with Felix
 - ▶ Registering services using iPojo takes considerably longer compared to plain OSGi and DM

Consuming services

Injecting 19021 services into a single consumer on Equinox

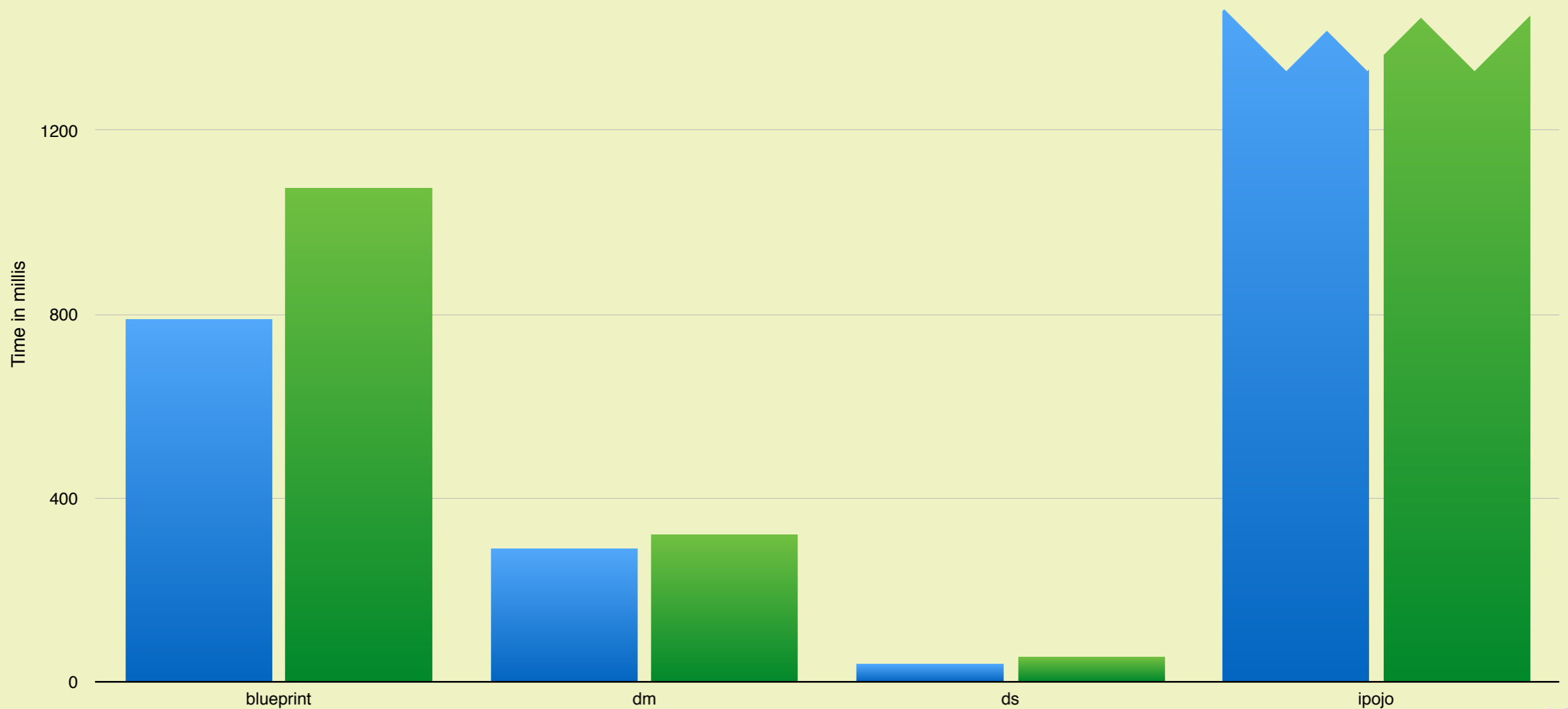


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Method invocation overhead

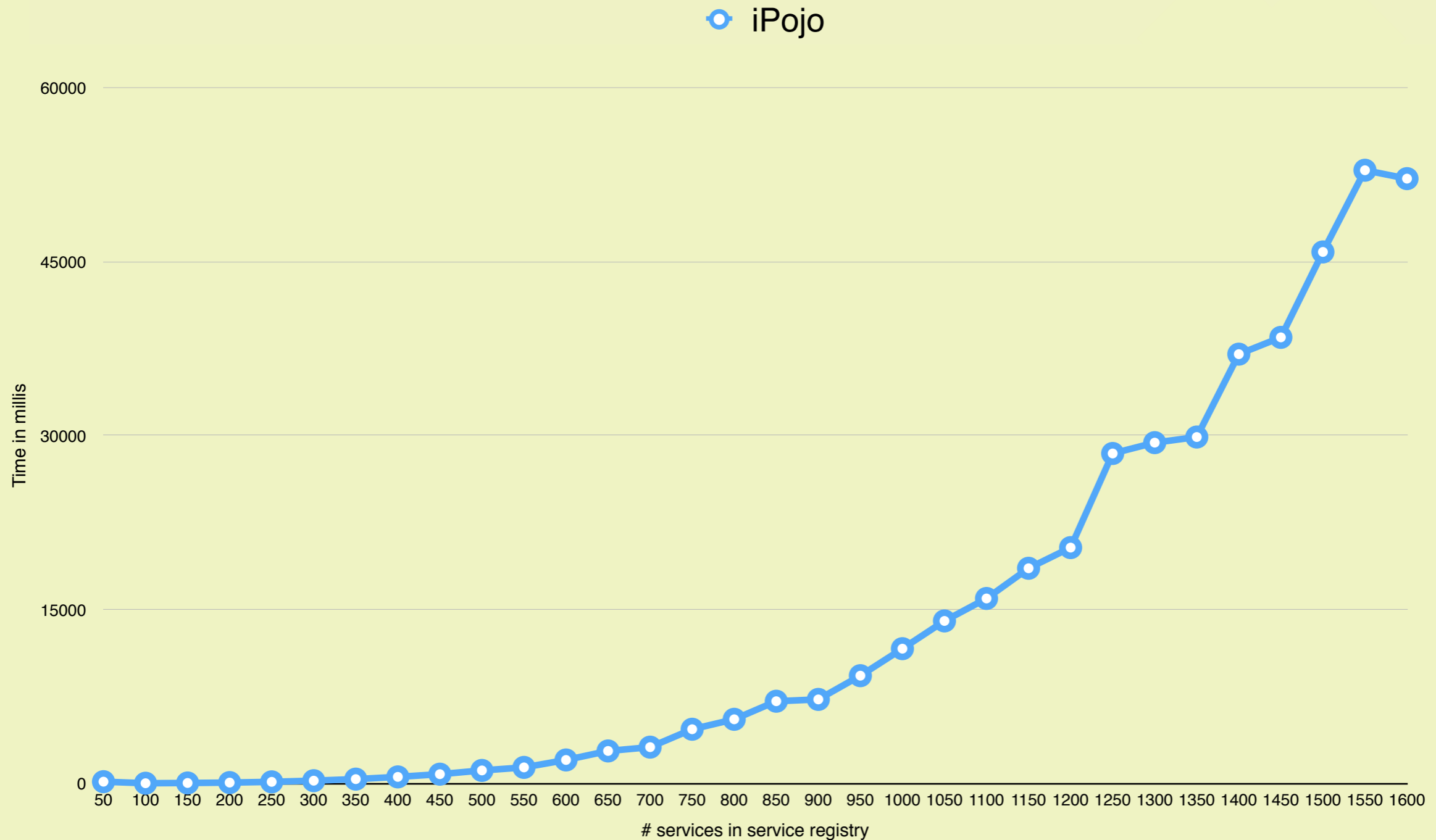
Injecting 19021 services into a single consumer on Equinox,
and invoking a method on the injected services

■ injection ■ injection and method invocation



iPojo and # of services

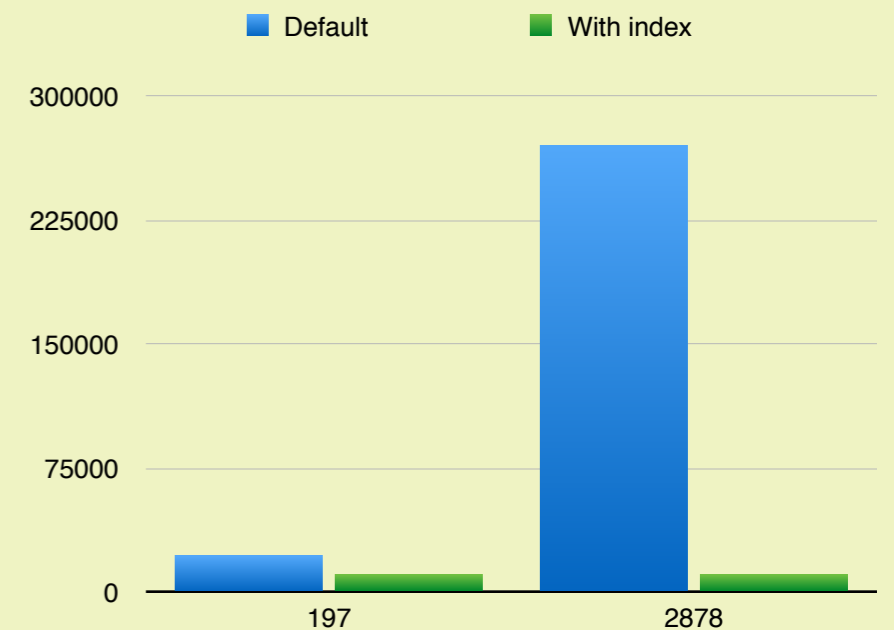
Injecting a single service into a single consumer on Equinox



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Performance considerations

- ▶ Use of LDAP filters
 - ▶ Filter complexity, service registry scans
 - ▶ Felix DM provides optimization through indexing service properties
- ▶ Bundle starting order
 - ▶ Service tracker obtain initial versus service listener events



A decorative graphic consisting of a light blue rectangular block on top of a light green rectangular block. A small red square is positioned at the top right corner of the light green block, partially overlapping the light blue block.

Conclusion

Conclusion

- ▶ Features ranging from simple to advanced (DS, Blueprint < DM < iPojo)
- ▶ Annotation/XML-only frameworks are easy to use but provide less dynamics
- ▶ Consider the expected size of your application (services, dependencies) and run some test before choosing one!
- ▶ You can mix & match
 - ▶ ... but don't do that

Questions?

Code:

<http://bit.ly/dmshootout>



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