

# Measuring code coverage

Uncovering the Atlassian Clover engine

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# Agenda

## *A bit of theory ...*

- What a code coverage is not? Why to use it?
- Collecting coverage data
- Code coverage metrics

## *Dive into the code...*

- Parsing Java
- Parsing Groovy

## *Harness the runtime ...*

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# What a code coverage is NOT?

- it's **not** a silver bullet – it's just a metric
- it's **not** a „positive” metric
  - it does **not** measure how your code is good
  - it does **not** tell if your tests are correct
  - it tells how much **crap** do you have
- it's **not** a „must have”
  - follow the "80-20" rule

# Why to use code coverage?

- to identify risky code
  - *code coverage && code metrics && test failure history*
- to assist in development
  - *coverage highlighting in text editor*
  - *code reviews*
- to speed-up test execution
  - *selecting subset of tests*
  - *fail-fast approach*

# Collecting coverage data

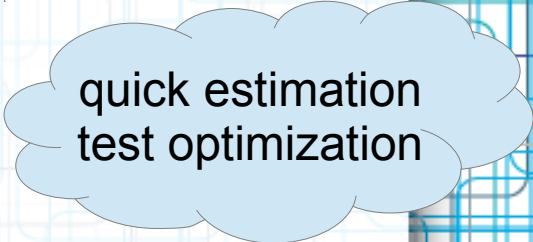
Feature	JVMTI	Bytecode instr.	Source instr.
Method coverage	yes	yes	yes
Statement coverage	line only	indirectly	yes
Branch coverage	indirectly	indirectly	yes
Works without source	yes	yes	no
Requires separate build	no	no	yes
Works without specialized runtime	no	no	yes
Gathers source metrics	no	no	yes
Compilation time	no impact	variable	variable
Runtime performance	high impact	variable	variable
Container friendly	no	no	yes



# Method coverage

measures whether a method was entered at all during execution

```
class MethodCoverage {  
    static String foo(boolean b, int i) {  
        if (b) {  
            return "true";  
        }  
        if (i > 0) {  
            return "positive";  
        } else {  
            return "negative or zero";  
        }  
    }  
  
    public static void main() {  
        foo(true, 0);  
    }  
}
```



quick estimation  
test optimization

# Statement coverage

measures whether given statement was executed at least one time

```
class StatementCoverage {  
  
    static String foo(boolean b, int i) {  
        String s;  
        if (b) {  
            s += "true";  
        }  
        if (i > 0) {  
            s += "positive";  
        } else {  
            s += "negative or zero";  
        }  
        return s;  
    }  
  
    public static void main() {  
        foo(true, 5);  
        foo(false, 10);  
    }  
}
```



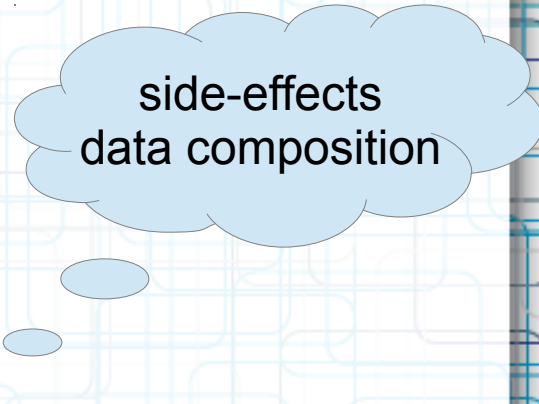
most frequently used



# Branch coverage

measures which possible branches in flow control structures are followed

```
class BranchCoverage {  
  
    static String foo(boolean b, int i) {  
        String s;  
        if (b) { // true only  
            s += "true";  
        }  
        if (i > 0) { // true & false  
            s += "positive";  
        } else {  
            s += "negative or zero";  
        }  
    }  
  
    public static void main() {  
        foo(true, 0);  
        foo(true, 10);  
    }  
}
```

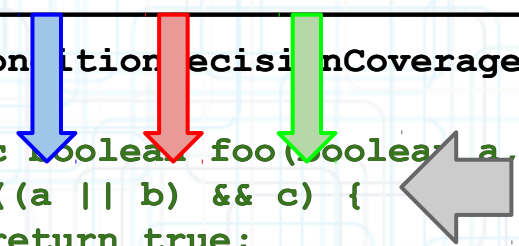


side-effects  
data composition

# Condition / decision coverage

check every possible value of input condition and decision outcome

```
class ConditionDecisionCoverage {  
    static boolean foo(boolean a, boolean b, boolean c) {  
        if ((a || b) && c) {  
            return true;  
        } else {  
            return false;  
        }  
    }  
  
    public static void main() {  
        foo(true, true, true);  
        foo(false, false, false);  
    }  
}
```




The diagram shows three colored arrows pointing to the code: a blue arrow points to the parameter 'a', a red arrow points to the parameter 'b', and a green arrow points to the parameter 'c'. A grey arrow points to the condition '(a || b) && c' in the if statement.

# Modified condition / decision cov.

check every possible value of input condition and decision outcome  
each condition has been shown to affect that decision **independently**

```
class ModifiedConditionDecisionCoverage {  
  
    static boolean foo(boolean a, boolean b, boolean c) {  
        if ((a || b) && c) {  
            return true;  
        } else {  
            return false;  
        }  
    }  
}  
  
public static void main() {  
    foo(false, false, true);    // a,b are influencing  
    foo(true, false, true);    // a,c are influencing  
    foo(false, true, true);    // b,c are influencing  
    foo(true, true, false);    // c is influencing  
}  
}
```



pedantic  
NASA ;-)

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# Parsing Java

## ANTLR - grammar file structure

```
class JavaRecognizer extends Parser; // parser class name
```

```
/* grammar rules */
```

```
variableDefinitions
```

```
    : variableDeclarator (COMMA! variableDeclarator)*
```

```
    ;
```

```
class JavaLexer extends Lexer; // lexer class name
```

```
/* tokens */
```

```
COMMA      : ',' {nc();};
```

```
IDENT
```

```
options {testLiterals=true;}
```

```
    : {nc();} ('a'..'z'|'A'..'Z'|'_'|'$') ('a'..'z'|'A'..'Z'|'_'|'0'..'9'|'$')*
```

```
    ;
```

# Parsing Java

## ANTLR - running instrumentation

ANTLR: java.g => JavaLexer + JavaRecognizer

```
in = new InputStreamReader(new FileInputStream(sourceFile));
lexer = new JavaLexer(in);
filter = new CloverTokenStreamFilter(lexer);
parser = new JavaRecognizer(filter);
parser.compilationUnit();
filter.instrument(); // instrument the code
filter.write(out); // write to output
```



# Parsing Java

## Definition of statement in ANTLR

```
statement [CloverToken owningLabel] returns [CloverToken last]
{
    CloverToken first = null;
    last = null;
}
: {first = (CloverToken)LT(1);}
(
    // if | for | while | throw etc ...
    | "return" (expression)? SEMI!
    | SEMI // empty statement
)
{
    if (last == null) {
        last = (CloverToken)LT(0);
    }
    instrumentStatementBefore(first, last);
}
;
```

# Parsing Java

## Token stream filtering

```
CloverToken extends antlr.CommonHiddenStreamToken {
    // List<? extends Emitter> preEmitters;
    // addPreEmitter, triggerPreEmitters
}

class CloverTokenStreamFilter extends
antlr.TokenStreamHiddenTokenFilter {
    public void write(Writer outWriter) throws IOException {
        PrintWriter out = new PrintWriter(outWriter);
        CloverToken curr = this.first;
        while (curr != null) {
            curr.triggerPreEmitters(out);
            if (curr.getText() != null) out.print(curr.getText());
            curr = curr.getNext();
        }
    }
}
```

# Parsing Java

## Source code emitters

```
CloverToken instrumentStatementBefore(CloverToken start,
    CloverToken end) {
    start.addPreEmitter(new StatementInstrEmitter(...));
    return start;
}

class StatementInstrEmitter {
    String instr = "";
    StatementInstrEmitter(...) {
        info = db.addStatement(...);
        instr = "Recorder.inc(" + info.getDataIndex() + ");";
    }
    void emit(Writer out) throws IOException {
        out.write(instr);
    }
}
```

# Parsing Java

## Example: instrumenting statement

```
public IMoney add(IMoney m) {  
    return m.addMoney(this);  
}
```

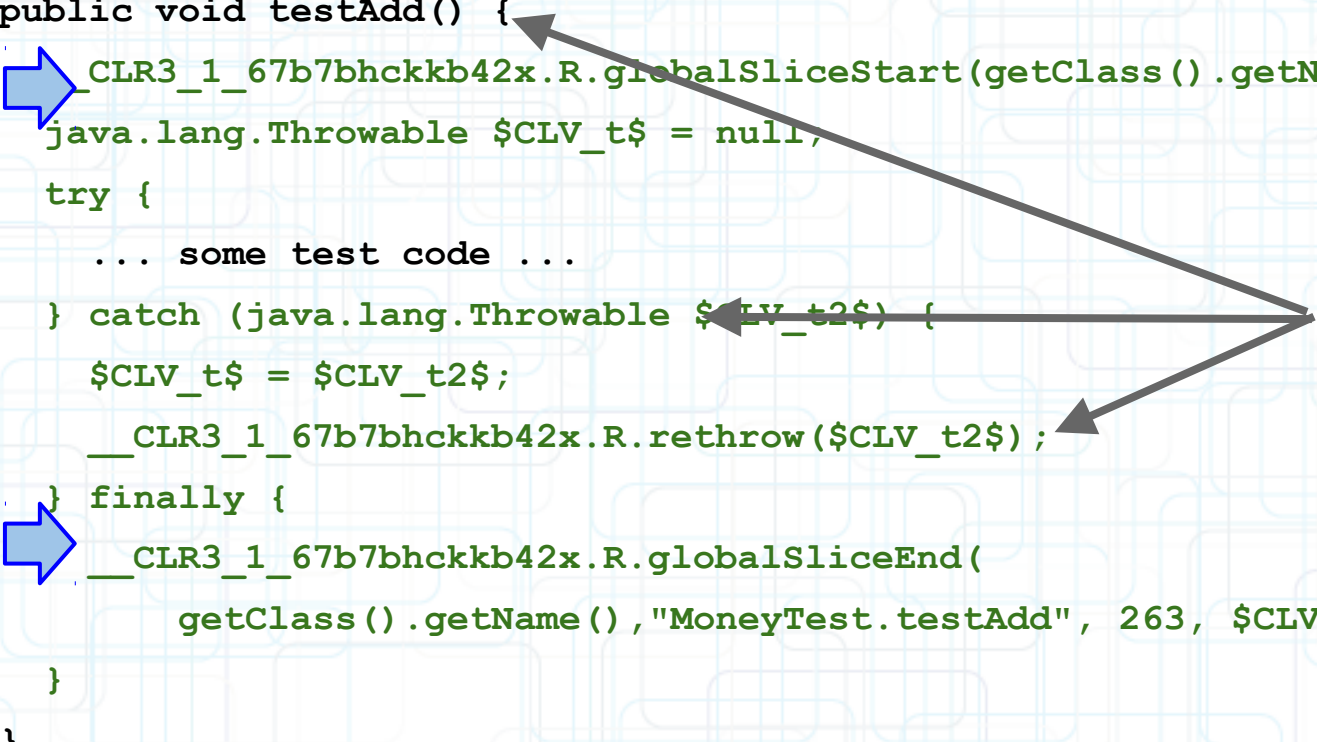
```
public IMoney add(IMoney m) {  
    try{__CLR3_1_600hckkb3w8.R.inc(3);  
        __CLR3_1_600hckkb3w8.R.inc(4);return m.addMoney(this);  
    } finally {  
        __CLR3_1_600hckkb3w8.R.flushNeeded();  
    }  
}
```

# Parsing Java

## Example: test method

```
public void testAdd() {  
    ... some test code ....  
}
```

```
public void testAdd() {  
    __CLR3_1_67b7bhckkb42x.R.globalSliceStart(getClass().getName(), 263);  
    java.lang.Throwable $CLV_t$ = null,  
    try {  
        ... some test code ...  
    } catch (java.lang.Throwable $CLV_t2$) {  
        $CLV_t$ = $CLV_t2$;  
        __CLR3_1_67b7bhckkb42x.R.rethrow($CLV_t2$);  
    } finally {  
        __CLR3_1_67b7bhckkb42x.R.globalSliceEnd(  
            getClass().getName(), "MoneyTest.testAdd", 263, $CLV_t$);  
    }  
}
```

A diagram illustrating the transformation of a simple Java method into a more complex one. Three blue arrows point from the original code to the transformed code. The first arrow points from the opening curly brace of the original method to the opening curly brace of the transformed method. The second arrow points from the closing curly brace of the original method to the closing curly brace of the transformed method. The third arrow points from the '... some test code ....' line in the original method to the try-catch-finally block in the transformed method.



# Parsing Groovy

## Groovyc build phases

### INITIALIZATION

*source files are opened and environment configured*

### PARSING

*the grammar is used to produce tree of tokens representing the source code*

### CONVERSION

*an abstract syntax tree (AST) is created from token trees*

### SEMANTIC\_ANALYSIS

*performs consistency and validity checks that the grammar can't check for, and resolves classes*

### CANONICALIZATION

*complete building the AST*

### INSTRUCTION\_SELECTION

*instruction set is chosen, for example java5 or pre-java5*

### CLASS\_GENERATION

*creates the binary output in memory*

### OUTPUT

*write the binary output to the file system*

### FINALIZATION

*perform any last cleanup*



# Parsing Groovy

## Groovy's AST (1)

```
my.jar/META-INF/services/  
org.codehaus.groovy.transform.ASTTransformation:  
com.acme.MyGroovy
```

```
@GroovyASTTransformation (phase =  
CompilePhase.INSTRUCTION_SELECTION)  
public class MyGroovy implements ASTTransformation {  
    public void visit(ASTNode[] astNodes, SourceUnit sourceUnit) {  
        for (ClassNode clazz : sourceUnit.getAST().getClasses()) {  
            new MyTransformer(sourceUnit, clazz).visitClass(clazz);  
        }  
    }  
}
```

# Parsing Groovy

## Groovy's AST (2)

```
public class MyTransformer extends ClassCodeExpressionTransformer {
    public Expression transform(Expression expr) {
        Expression transformed = super.transform(expr);
        if (transformed instanceof ElvisOperatorExpression)
            transformed = transformElvis((ElvisOperatorExpression) transformed);
        transformed.setSourcePosition(expr);
        return transformed;
    }

    private Expression transformElvis(ElvisOperatorExpression elvis) {
        transformed = new ElvisOperatorExpression(
            new StaticMethodCallExpression(this.currentClass,
                "elvisEvalWrapper",
                new ArgumentListExpression(
                    elvis.getTrueExpression(),
                    new ConstantExpression(getDataIndex(elvis))),
                elvis.getFalseExpression());
        return transformed;
    }
}
```

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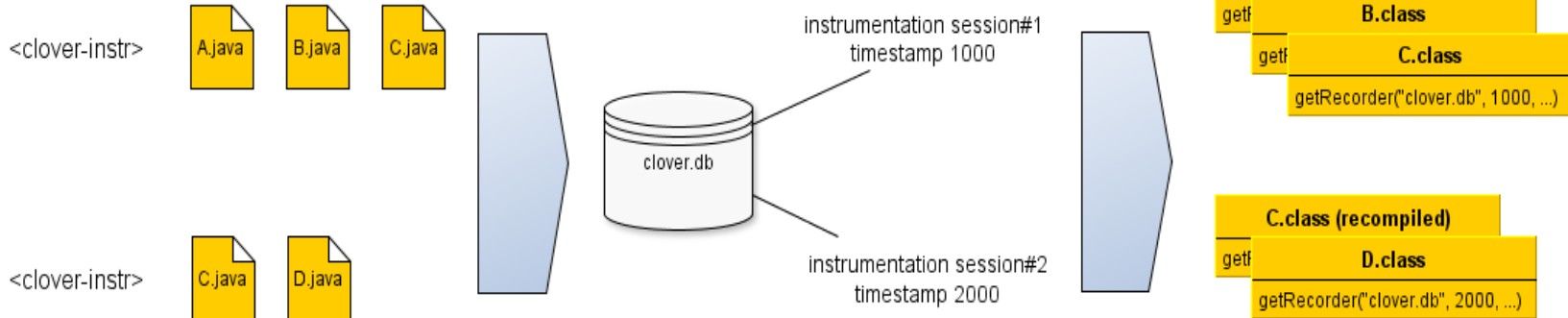
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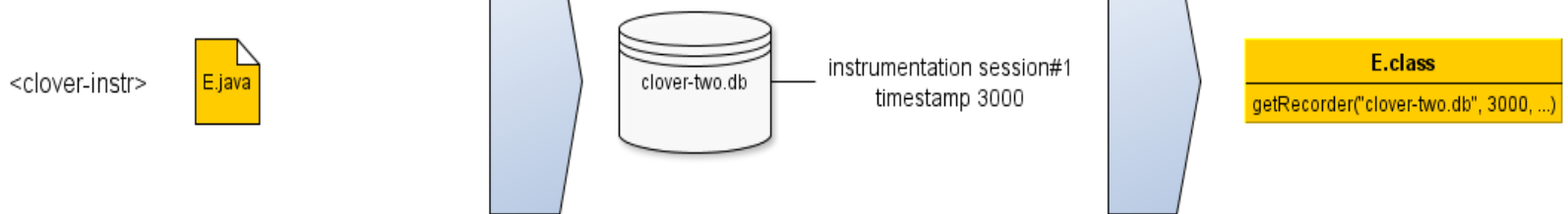
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# Clover's coverage recorders

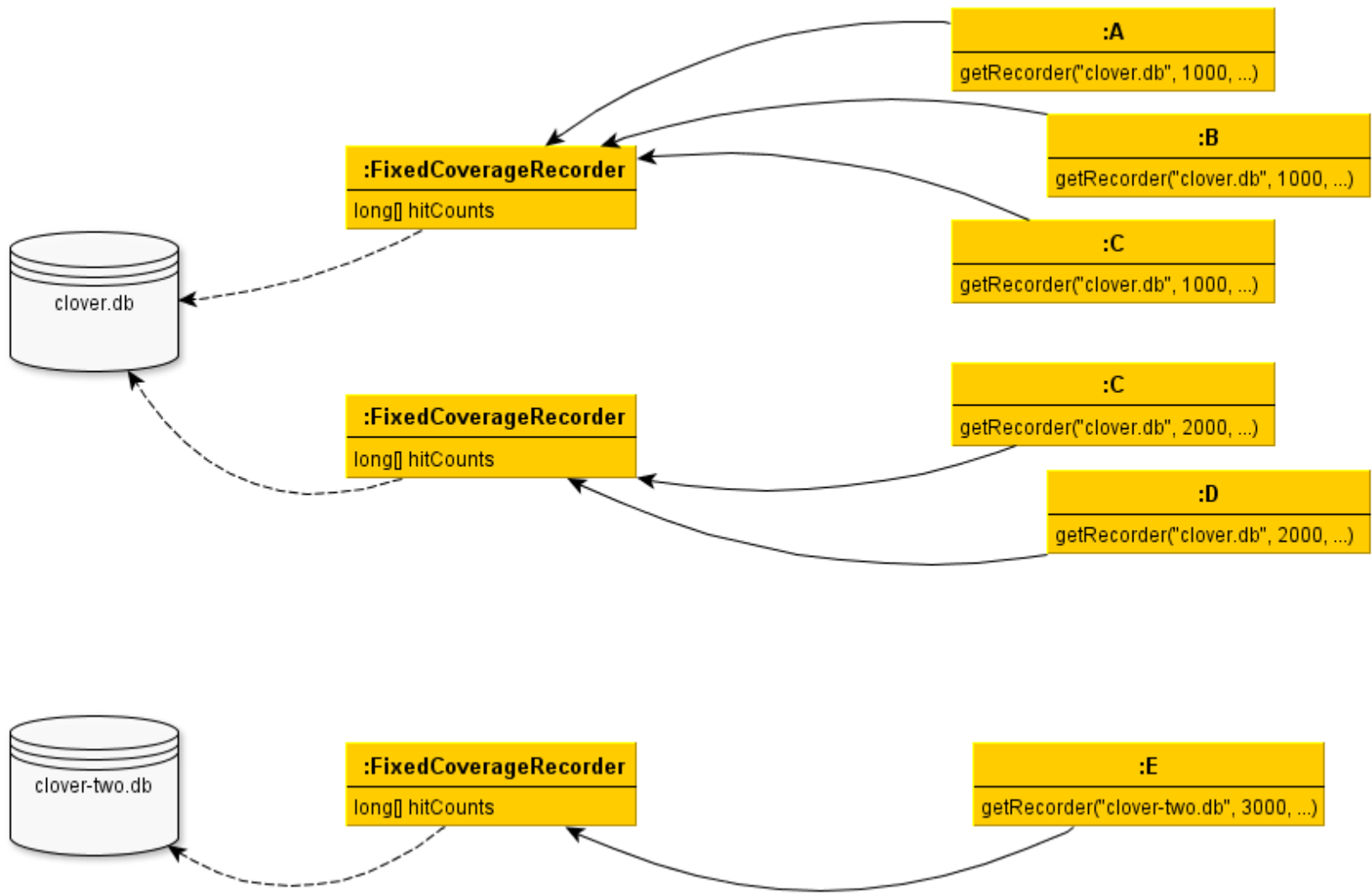
## MODULE ONE



## MODULE TWO



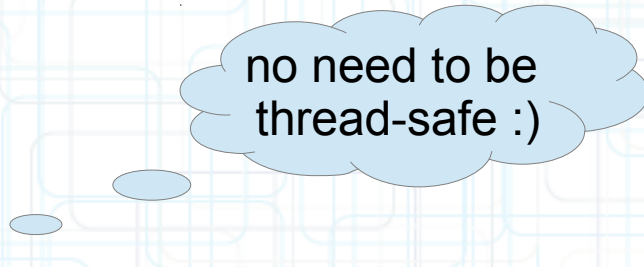
# Clover's coverage recorders





# Multi-threaded applications

```
public class CoverageRecorder {  
    private final int[] elements;  
    private final PerTestRecorder testCoverage;  
    // ...  
    public void inc(int index) {  
        testCoverage.set(index);  
        elements[index]++;  
    }  
}
```



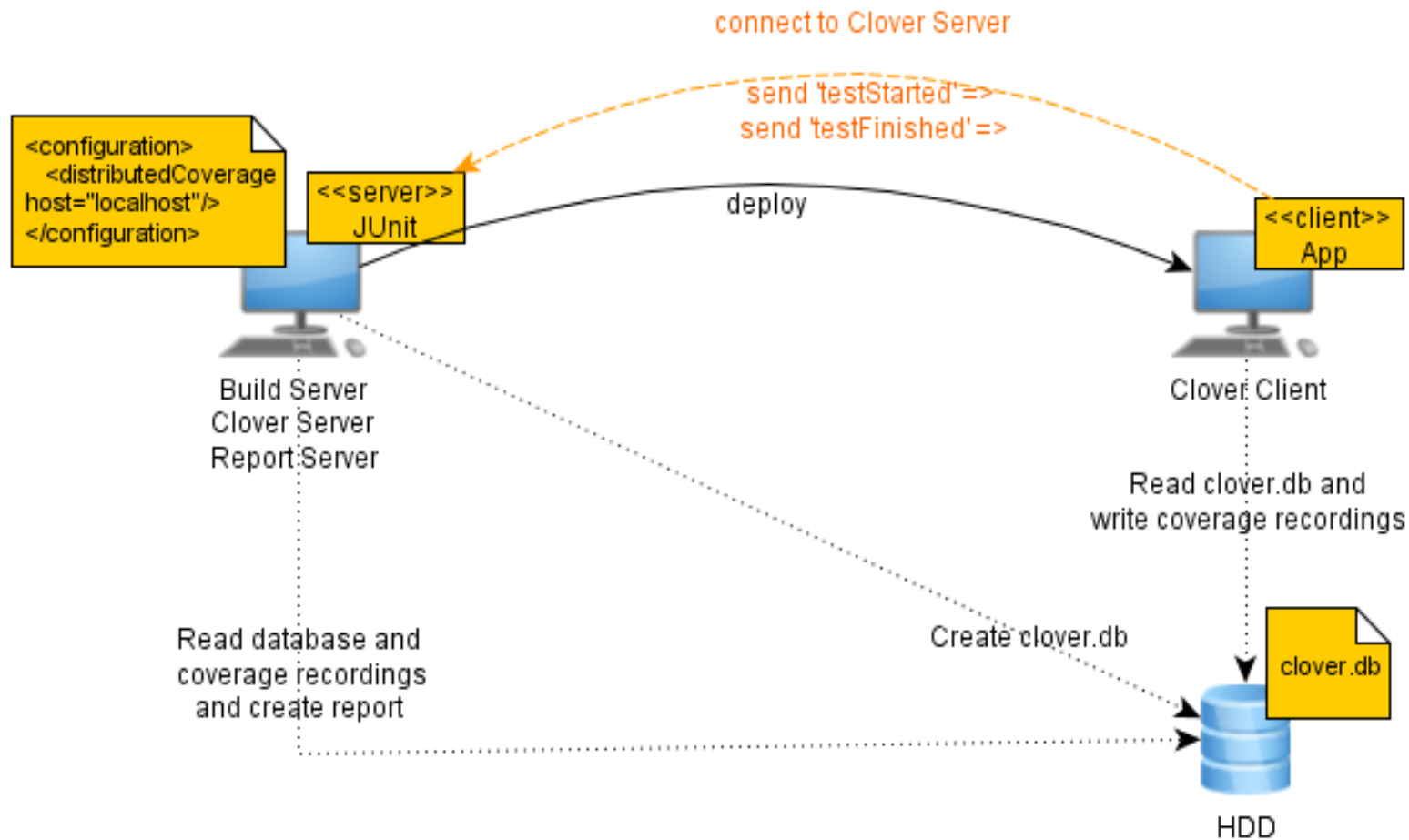
no need to be  
thread-safe :)

# Multi-threaded tests

- keep pool of active per-test recorders
  - goal: achieve maximum performance
  - volatile implementation in JDK1.4 sucks
- per-test recording strategies
  - single-threaded (no synchronization)
  - volatile (JDK1.5+)
  - synchronized blocks

```
public static class Volatile implements ThreadVisibilityStrategy {
    private volatile ActivePerTestRecorderAny recorders; /* a pool of recorders */
    public Volatile(CoverageRecorder coverageRecorder) {
        recorders = new ActivePerTestRecorderNone(coverageRecorder);
    }
    public synchronized void testStarted(int testRunId) { /* memory barrier flush. */
        recorders = recorders.testStarted(testRunId);
    }
    public synchronized LivePerTestRecording testFinished(int testRunId, ErrorInfo ei) {
        RecordingResult sliceAndRecorders = recorders.testFinished(testRunId, ei);
        recorders = sliceAndRecorders.recorders;
        return sliceAndRecorders.recording;
    }
    public void inc(int index) { /* no 'synchronized' */
        recorders.inc(index);
    }
}
```

# Multiple JVMs



# Questions

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**Thank you**

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# BACKUP SLIDES

# Atlassian dogfooding

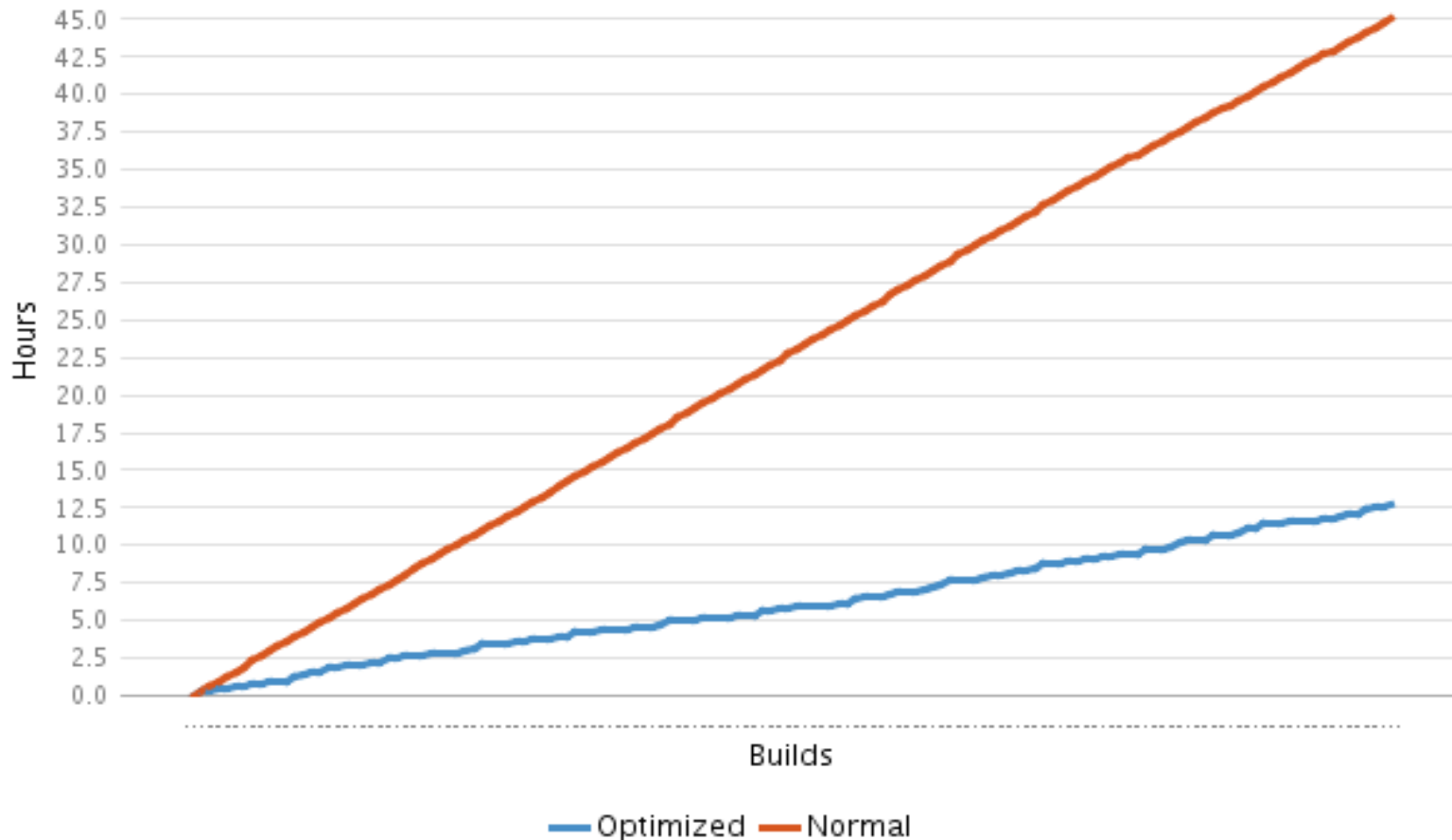
- **Clover with Clover**
  - ca 60% coverage in total
  - 80-90% in core modules
- **Bamboo with Clover**
  - in a separate plan, supplementary
- **JIRA with Clover**
  - very limited usage as Clover does not measure coverage for JavaScript

# Clover reporting features

- Top risks
- Quick wins
- Coverage map
- Test contribution
- Class complexity
- Code metrics

# Test optimization

## Build times (Cumulative)



# Android platform

## Dalvik VM

- instrumentation is quite trivial in Clover
- limit of 65k methods in one image
- no bytecode manipulation
  - java, scala – ok
  - groovy – not possible

## Clover-for-Android alpha

<https://confluence.atlassian.com/display/CLOVER/Clover-for-Android>

# Tool integrations

