



SOLR: PEAK PERFORMANCE

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The Agenda

- ✻ Quick Solr Background
- ✻ Performance Factors
- ✻ Performance Monitoring
- ✻ Benchmarking
- ✻ Quotes and Pictures!



☼ **A wise man can see more from the bottom of a well than a fool can from a mountain top . (Unknown)**

✻ **Wise:** having the power of discerning and judging properly as to what is true or right; possessing discernment, judgment, or discretion.

✻ **Wise:** possessed of or characterized by scholarly knowledge or learning; learned;

✻ **Who Knows Solr? Lucene?**

✻ **Who Knows of the Committers?**

✻ **Read the User lists**

✻ **Read Lucene in Action**

✻ **Read the Solr Wiki**

✻ **Read the free Lucid Solr Ref Guide**

✻ **Read the Solr books**



☼ “The capacity of human beings to bore one another seems to be vastly greater than that of any other animal.”

[H. L. Mencken](#)

US editor (1880 - 1956)



☼ Que non boring inspirational image:



☼ Inspiration

- ☼ a. Stimulation of the mind or emotions to a high level of feeling or activity.
- ☼ b. The condition of being so stimulated.

Yes - believe it or not, you where all just inspired.

“When monitoring or debugging performance, things are often not as they first appear.”

- Me?? Now?

Performance Factors

- ☼ "Give a man a fish and you feed him for a day; teach him how to fish... and you've opened up a whole 'nother can of worms." -Warm Southern Breeze



We are here to crack open a can of something.



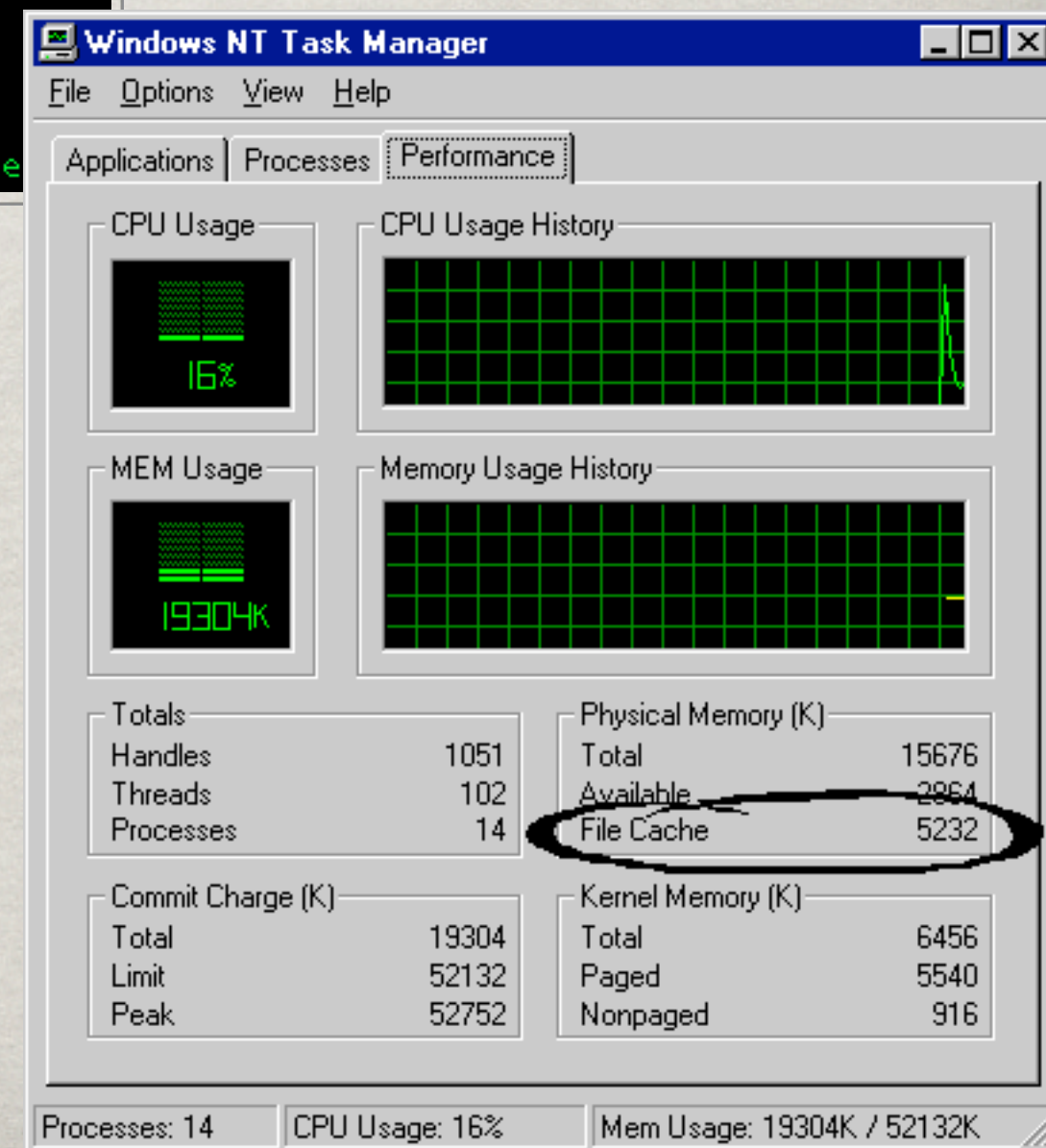
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Swap: 8193144k total, 0k used, 8193144k free, 115680k cached
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PID	USER	PR	NI	VIRT	RES	SHR	S	%CPU	%MEM	TIME+	COMMAND
1261	root	20	0	57940	17m	7120	S	0	0.2	0:00.62	Xorg
1531	gdm	20	0	85884	13m	10m	S	0	0.2	0:00.13	gdm-simple-gree
1493	gdm	20	0	77332	10m	7972	S	0	0.1	0:00.16	gnome-settings-
1528	gdm	20	0	73200	9404	7412	S	0	0.1	0:00.05	metacity
1530	gdm	20	0	31568	7540	6172	S	0	0.1	0:00.04	gnome-power-man
1468	gdm	20	0	39368	6268	5176	S	0	0.1	0:00.04	gnome-session
1557	gdm	9	-11	99500	4700	3576	S	0	0.1	0:00.09	pulseaudio
1068	root	20	0	19128	4132	3468	S	0	0.1	0:00.09	NetworkManager
1486	gdm	20	0	9088	4024	2340	S	0	0.0	0:00.06	gconfd-2
1563	root	20	0	6748	3932	2960	S	0	0.0	0:00.03	polkitd
1170	root	20	0	21376	3444	2856	S	0	0.0	0:00.00	gdm-simple-slav
1536	root	20	0	8460	3332	2732	S	0	0.0	0:00.03	upowerd
1678	gdm	20	0	23752	3300	2652	S	0	0.0	0:00.00	gconf-helper
1686	root	20	0	8952	3252	2592	S	0	0.0	0:00.08	sshd
1754	root	20	0	6556	3228	1524	S	0	0.0	0:00.16	bash
962	root	20	0	19536	3140	2680	S	0	0.0	0:00.01	gdm-binary
1098	root	20	0	21184	3024	2396	S	0	0.0	0:00.02	console-kit-dae

wa -> iowait: Amount of time the CPU has been waiting for I/O to complete.

☼ The FileSystem Cache



✻ Field Caches - uninverting the index. The index goes from term -> doc - now we want doc -> term!

✻ Sorting, faceting, many fields, oh my.
Lucene 3 and before...

Non Locale String FieldCache uses two arrays

[Dog,Horse,Lion,Zebra] [0,2,1,3,2,1,1,1,3,3,2,1,4,2,1,2]

4 unique terms

16 documents

Things are changing...shared prefix, packed ints, byte arrays, oh my again.

☼ Solr Caches

☼ Query Result Cache, Document Cache, Filter Cache

CACHE	
name:	queryResultCache
class:	org.apache.solr.search.LRUCache
version:	1.0
description:	LRU Cache(maxSize=512, initialSize=512)
stats:	lookups : 26463 hits : 26462 hitratio : 0.99 inserts : 2 evictions : 0 size : 2 warmupTime : 0 cumulative_lookups : 26463 cumulative_hits : 26462 cumulative_hitratio : 0.99 cumulative_inserts : 1 cumulative_evictions : 0

✻ JVM Settings, Garbage Collection

<http://www.lucidimagination.com/Community/Hear-from-the-Experts/Articles/Scaling-Lucene-and-Solr>

<http://www.lucidimagination.com/blog/2011/03/27/garbage-collection-bootcamp-1-0/>

☼ Performance Monitoring



[Drink] provokes the desire, but it takes away the performance.

William Shakespeare (1564 - 1616), Macbeth, Act II, sc. 3



“Bullshit!”

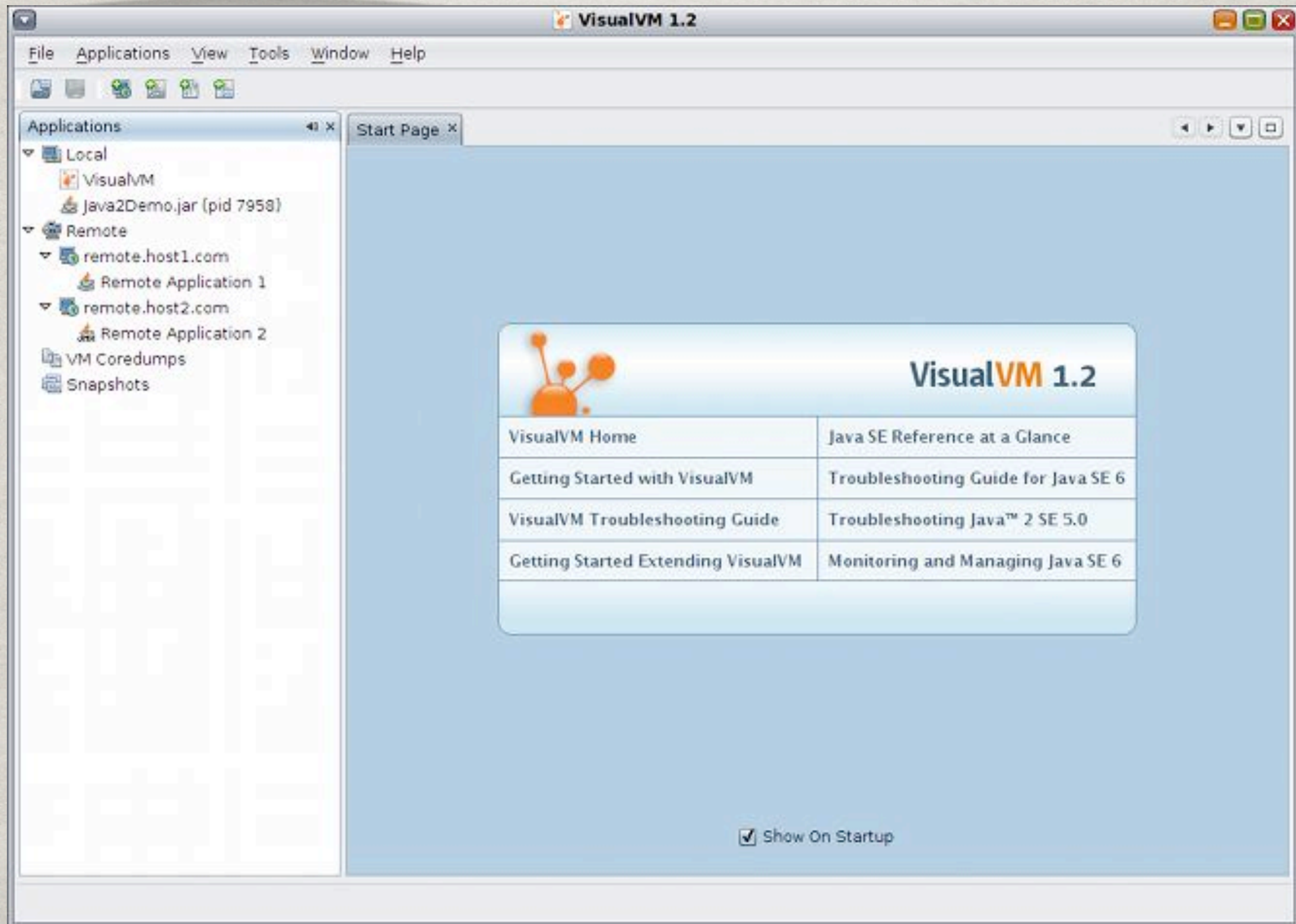
☼ What the \$#!\$%@ is happening to my Field Caches!?



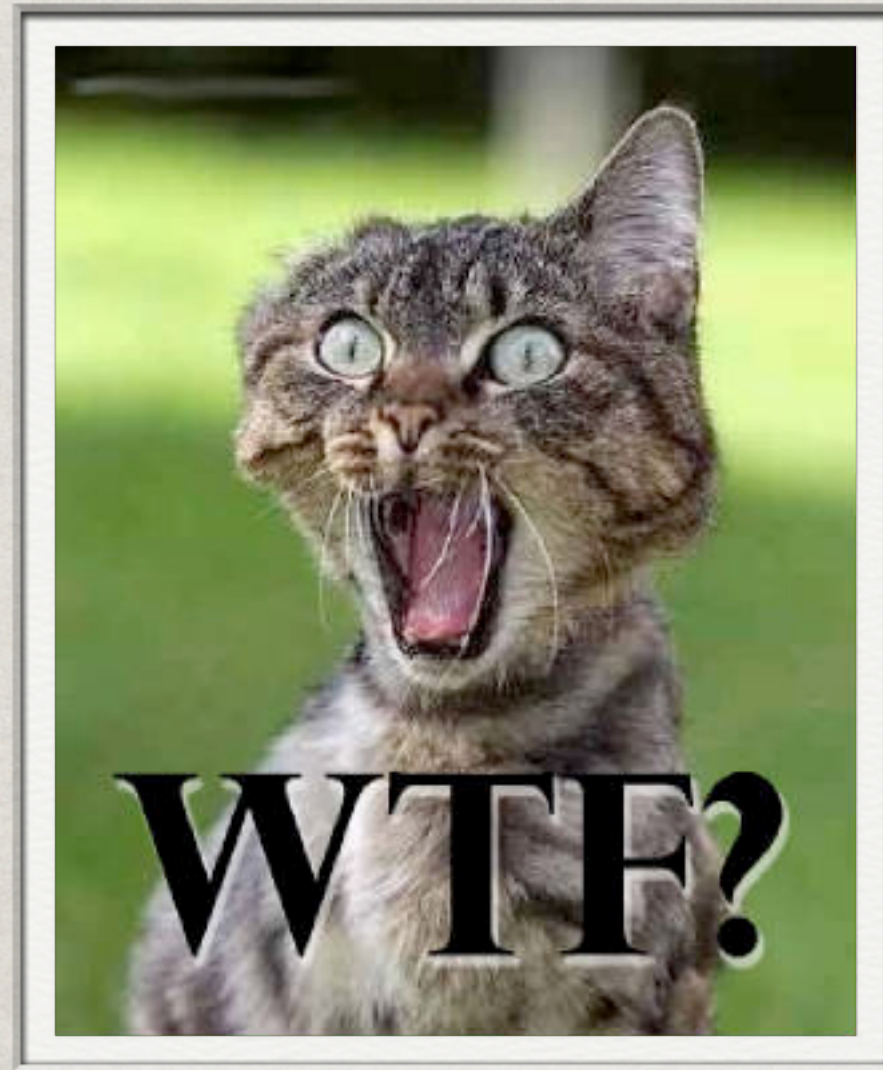
- ✱ A lot of times, getting the best performance first means figuring out what is not performing. There are a lot of moving parts here!



JConsole's Cooler Older Brother



☼ Developer Tools! WTF!?



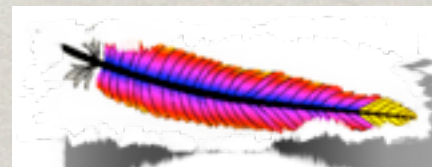
“For germans showers in the US are simply too complicated.”

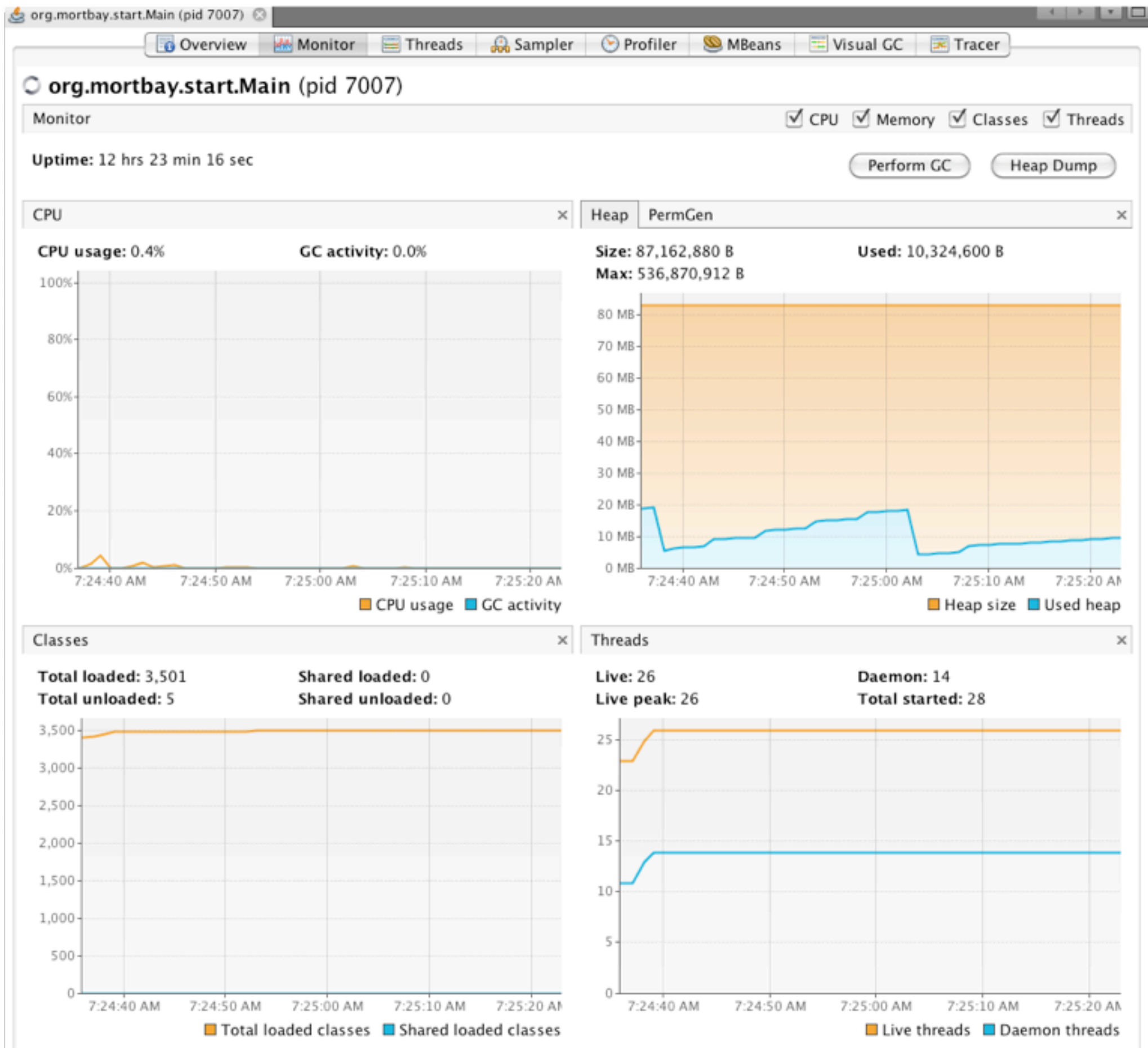
- Uwe Schindler



☼ VisualVM is easy! Solr Users should be able to use it too!! German Solr Users too!!

At worst, do a little inspection, deepen your knowledge, and *then* come to the Solr user mailing list with what you have found.





org.mortbay.start.Main (pid 7007)

Overview Monitor Threads Sampler Profiler MBeans Visual GC Tracer

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Profiler Settings

Profile: CPU Memory Stop

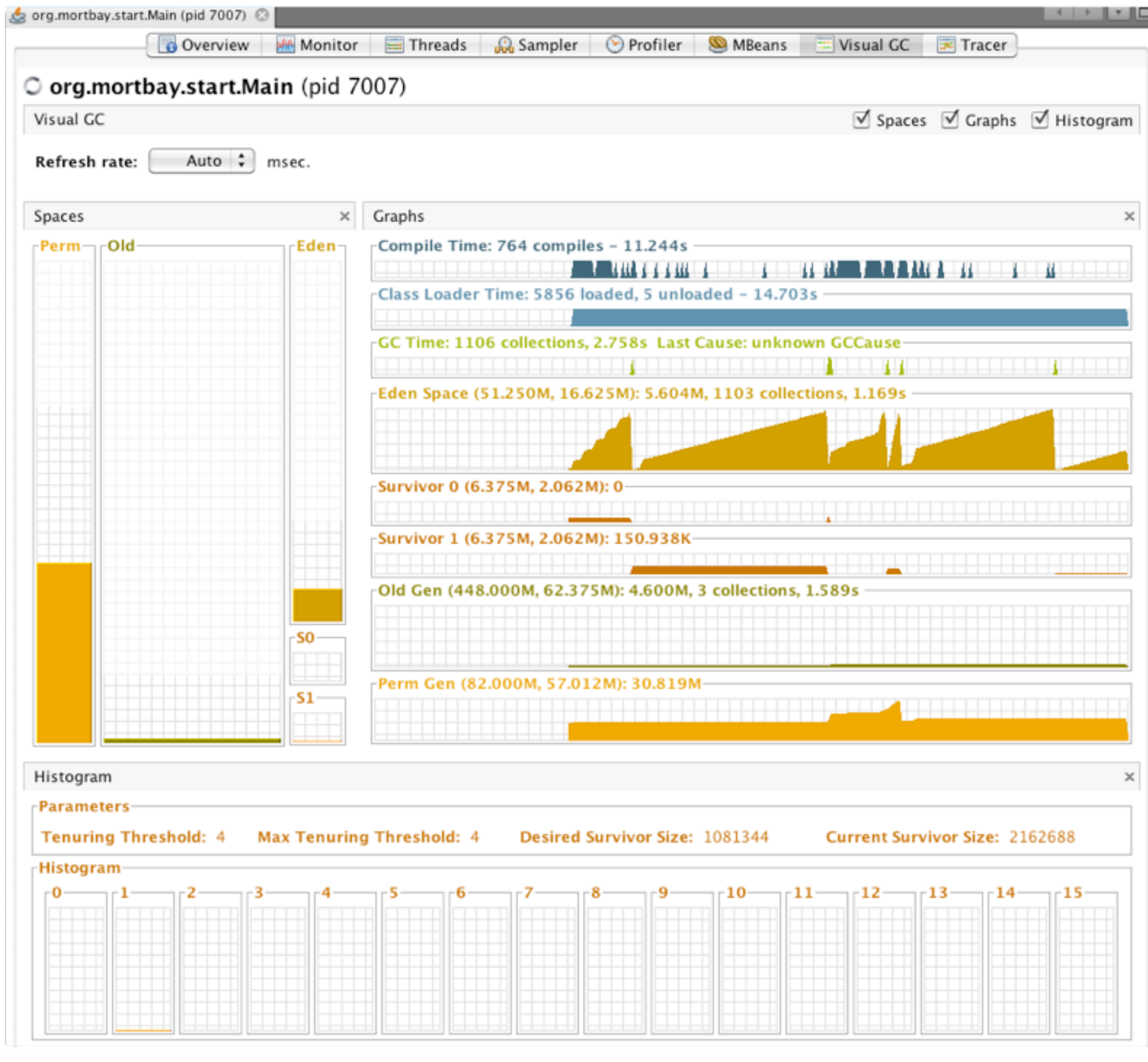
Status: profiling running (1,484 methods instrumented)

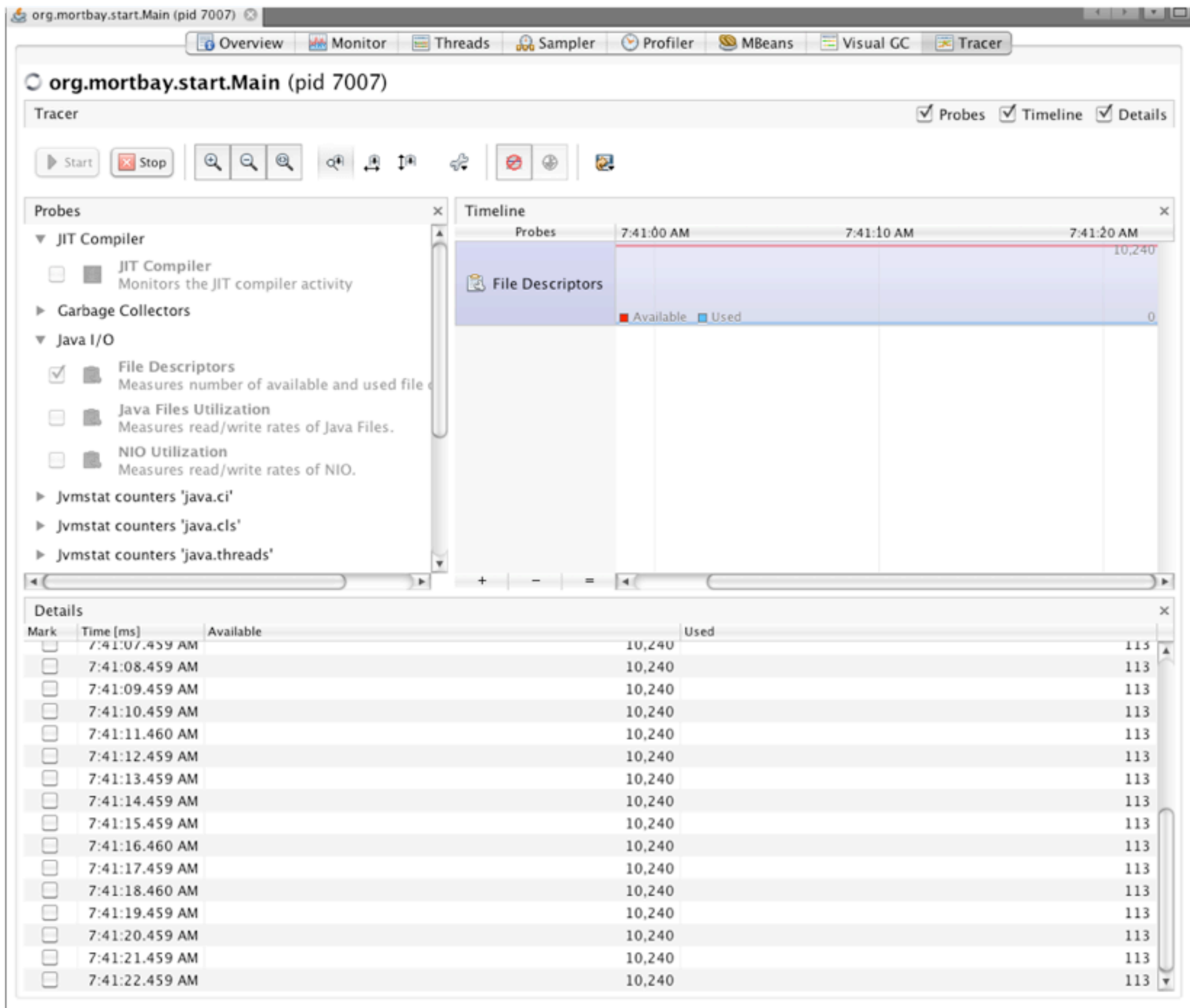
Profiling results

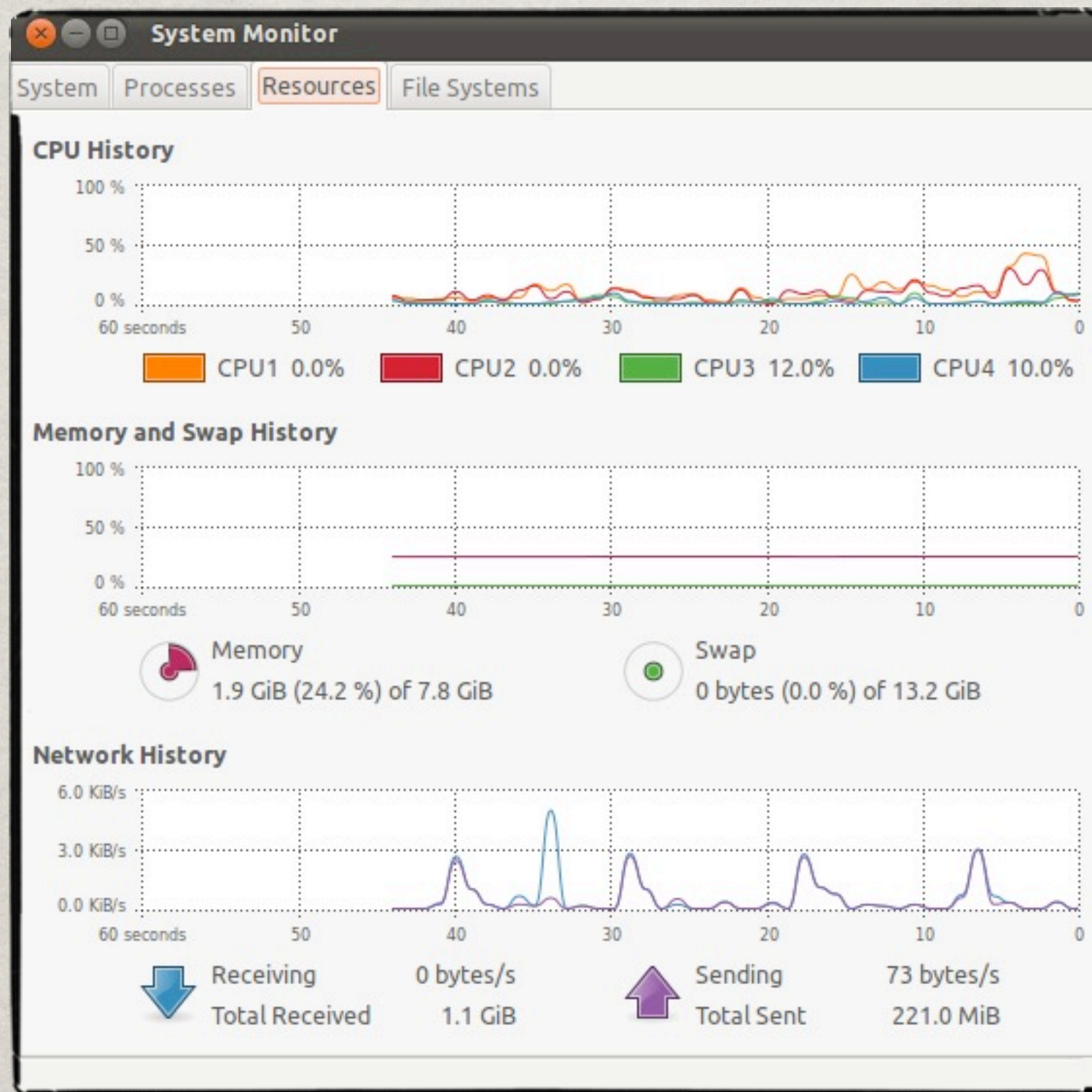
Snapshot

Hot Spots - Method	Self time [%]	Self time	Invocations
org.mortbay.io.ByteArrayBuffer.readFrom (java.io.InputStream, int)	4580 ms (59.2%)	3	
org.mortbay.jetty.bio.SocketConnector\$Connection.run ()	2949 ms (38.1%)	5	
org.mortbay.jetty.webapp.WebAppClassLoader.loadClass (String, boolean)	156 ms (2%)	11	
org.apache.solr.core.Config.getNode (String, boolean)	3.10 ms (0%)	2	
org.apache.solr.common.util.FastWriter.flush ()	2.93 ms (0%)	2	
org.slf4j.impl.JDK14LoggerAdapter.log (String, java.util.logging.Level, String, T...	1.66 ms (0%)	4	
org.mortbay.util.Scanner.scanFiles ()	1.34 ms (0%)	11	
org.apache.solr.response.XMLResponseWriter.write (java.io.Writer, org.apache....	0.997 ms (0%)	2	
org.slf4j.impl.JDK14LoggerAdapter.fillCallerData (String, java.util.logging.LogR...	0.993 ms (0%)	4	
org.mortbay.jetty.HttpParser.parseNext ()	0.756 ms (0%)	3	
org.apache.solr.servlet.SolrDispatchFilter.writeResponse (org.apache.solr.resp...	0.712 ms (0%)	2	
org.mortbay.io.ByteArrayBuffer.get ()	0.685 ms (0%)	903	
org.apache.solr.servlet.SolrDispatchFilter.doFilter (javax.servlet.ServletRequest...	0.601 ms (0%)	2	
org.apache.solr.core.SolrCore.execute (org.apache.solr.request.SolrRequestHa...	0.460 ms (0%)	2	
org.mortbay.util.Scanner.reportDifferences (java.util.Map, java.util.Map)	0.397 ms (0%)	11	
org.apache.solr.common.params.DefaultSolrParams.get (String)	0.365 ms (0%)	60	
org.apache.lucene.search.MatchAllDocsQuery.createWeight (org.apache.lucene...	0.361 ms (0%)	1	
org.apache.solr.handler.component.SearchHandler.handleRequestBody (org.a...	0.344 ms (0%)	2	
org.apache.solr.search.SolrQueryParser.checkAllowLeadingWildcards ()	0.320 ms (0%)	2	
org.mortbay.jetty.servlet.ServletHandler.handle (String, javax.servlet.http.Http...	0.316 ms (0%)	2	
org.mortbay.jetty.handler.ContextHandler.handle (String, javax.servlet.http.Htt...	0.314 ms (0%)	2	
org.mortbay.jetty.HttpConnection.handleRequest ()	0.313 ms (0%)	2	
org.apache.lucene.analysis.synonym.SynonymFilter.incrementToken ()	0.302 ms (0%)	2	
org.mortbay.jetty.Request.getCookies ()	0.297 ms (0%)	2	
org.apache.solr.handler.component.QueryComponent.prepare (org.apache.solr...	0.287 ms (0%)	2	
org.mortbay.jetty.Response.setContentType (String)	0.278 ms (0%)	2	
org.apache.solr.search.ReturnFields.<init> (String[], org.apache.solr.request.So...	0.265 ms (0%)	2	
org.apache.solr.common.util.FastWriter.write (int)	0.264 ms (0%)	151	

[Method Name Filter]







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- ✻ Which part of the query is slow?
- ✻ Get the time taken in each component for a request.
- ✻ Add debug=timing to your query parameters.

✻ A perf hunting anecdote - what are some of the generic steps to tracking down perf issues?

✻ Is there disk activity? How is the heap? Timing of various Solr components? What does the Profiler say? Put it all together. Or take your evidence to the Solr User list.

A photograph of a vintage Moka pot, a classic Italian coffee maker, sitting on a gas stove burner. The pot is made of brass and shows signs of age and use, with some discoloration and a small leak of coffee from the top. The stove is white with black grates. The photo has a torn-edge effect.

Benchmarking

My 2nd attempt at benchmarking how long I could forget my coffee before meltdown. It did not smell nice.

- ✱ Lucene has some nice standard benchmarking tools that many of the developers use.

The benchmark contrib/module.

Python scripts that drive the benchmark module in an Apache Extra's project.

- ✱ Solr developers have taken a much more ad-hoc approach thus far.

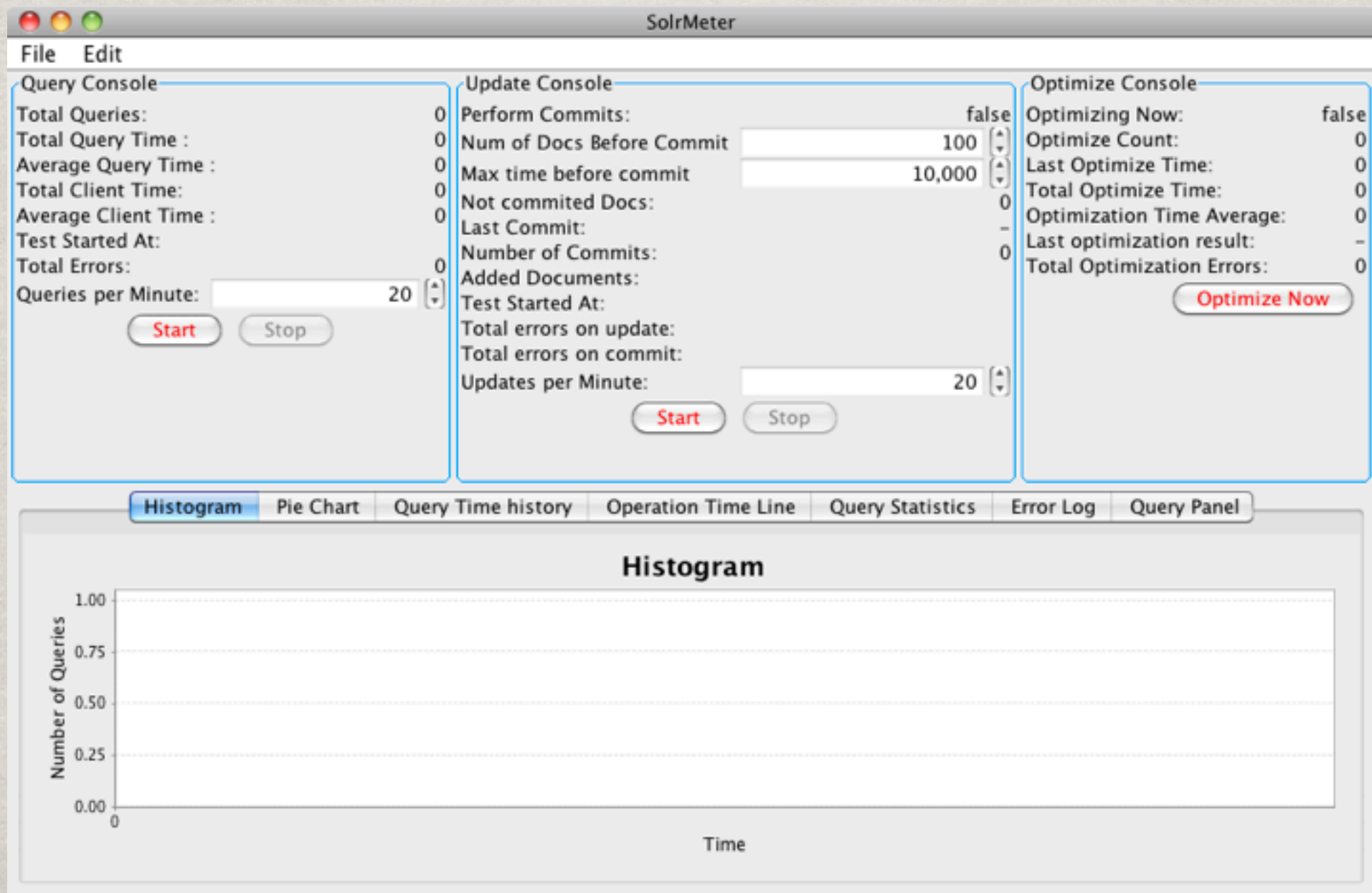
⦿ What's common?

⦿ Custom One Off or Couple Off Benchmark Code



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☼ SolrMeter: <http://code.google.com/p/solrmeter/>





lwe-load.jmx (/Users/markrmiller/Workspaces/lucid/touchstone/jmeter/lwe-load.jmx) - Apache JMeter (2.4 r961953)

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HTTP Request

Name: HTTP Request

Comments:

Web Server

Server Name or IP: \${server}

Port Number: \${port}

Timeouts (milliseconds)

Connect:

Response:

HTTP Request

Protocol (default http):

Method:

GET

Content encoding:

Path: /solr/collection1/select?json.nl=map&wt=ruby&facet.field=author_display&facet.field=data_source_name&

☐ Redirect Automatically ☒ Follow Redirects ☒ Use KeepAlive ☐ Use multipart/form-data for HTTP POST

Send Parameters With the Request:

Name:	Value	Encode?	Include Equals?
role	DEFAULT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
q	\${query}	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
sort	\${sort}	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Add

Delete

Send Files With the Request:

File Path:

Parameter Name:

MIME Type:

✱ A new Solr benchmarking option



✱ Written by me, for you, as part of prep for this talk!! Your \$\$\$ got you some code!

✱ But it's not complete, or yet committed...there are a few things to be worked out...



✱ But you can start playing with it now if you are adventurous!



✱ How to easily generate documents for Solr indexing benchmarks?

✱ Tactic? First, like many times before, like many others before, started ripping code from Lucene benchmark contrib.

- ✱ The benchmark module is already generic.
- ✱ It already has an expressive algorithm language.
- ✱ It already has great document generation and query source code.
- ✱ Many developers have added lots to it over the years.
- ✱ It just doesn't work with Solr (yet).

BENCHMARK DOCS?

http://lucene.apache.org/java/3_0_2/api/contrib-benchmark/index.html

For newer versions, now that benchmark is a module rather than contrib, you might have to look around a bit.

I've done some work to address this.
Starting with...

- ✻ New Benchmark Tasks:

- ✻ SolrAddDocTask

- ✻ SolrClearIndexTask

- ✻ SolrCommitTask

- ✻ StartSolrServerTask

- ✻ StopSolrServerTask

log.step=5000

docs.file=/Users/markrmiller/wikidumps/enwiki.out.txt

content.source=org.apache.lucene.benchmark.byTask.feeds.LineDocSource

solr.server=org.apache.solr.client.solrj.impl.StreamingUpdateSolrServer

#solr.server=org.apache.solr.client.solrj.impl.CommonsHttpSolrServer

solr.url=http://192.168.1.200:8983/solr

solr.field.mappings=doctitle>title,docid>id,docname>text,docdate>text,docdatenum>text,
doctimesecnum>text,body>text

solr.streaming.server.queue.size=10

solr.streaming.server.threadcount=5

query.maker=org.apache.lucene.benchmark.byTask.feeds.ReutersQueryMaker

task at this depth or less would print when they start

task.max.depth.log=2

log.queries=false

#

Easy to vary settings per round:

```
solr.server=solrserver_impl:org.apache.solr.client.solrj.im  
pl.StreamingUpdateSolrServer:solr.server=org.apache.solr.cl  
ient.solrj.impl.CommonsHttpSolrServer
```


#

{ "Rounds"

 SolrClearIndex
 ResetSystemErase

 ["Populate"
 { "MAddDocs" SolrAddDoc > : 20000
 { BlockSolrServerTillFinish >
] : 3

 SolrCommit

 NewRound

 } : 4

RepSumByName
RepSumByPrefRound MAddDocs
RepSumByPrefRound Populate

[java] -----> Report sum by Prefix (Populate) and Round (14 about 14 out of 156)

[java]	Operation	round	schema	<u>runCnt</u>	<u>recsPerRun</u>	<u>rec/s</u>	elapsedSec	<u>avgUsedMem</u>	<u>avgTotalMem</u>
[java]	Populate	0	schema_ascii_folding.xml	1	15001	244.20	61.43	109,249,064	264,110,080
[java]	Populate - -	1	schema_lowercase.xml - - - -	1 - -	15001 - -	246.91 - -	60.76 -	26,536,264 -	264,830,976
[java]	Populate	2	<u>schema_metaphone.xml</u>	1	15001	221.33	67.78	131,362,496	264,503,296
[java]	Populate - -	3	<u>schema_wdf.xml</u> - - - -	1 - -	15001 - -	265.04 - -	56.60 -	84,795,792 -	264,503,296
[java]	Populate	4	schema_lucid_plural.xml	1	15001	232.18	64.61	93,306,864	264,306,688
[java]	Populate - -	5	schema_solr_example.xml - - - -	1 - -	15001 - -	268.76 - -	55.81 -	75,910,520 -	264,437,760
[java]	Populate	6	schema_porter.xml	1	15001	236.62	63.40	182,119,104	264,044,544
[java]	Populate - -	7	schema_no_filter.xml - - - -	1 - -	15001 - -	242.64 - -	61.83 -	113,457,016 -	264,568,832
[java]	Populate	8	schema_ascii_folding.xml	1	15001	238.86	62.80	115,160,256	264,765,440
[java]	Populate - -	9	schema_lowercase.xml - - - -	1 - -	15001 - -	242.05 - -	61.97 -	26,807,736 -	264,503,296
[java]	Populate	10	<u>schema_metaphone.xml</u>	1	15001	221.45	67.74	31,253,776	264,241,152
[java]	Populate - -	11	<u>schema_wdf.xml</u> - - - -	1 - -	15001 - -	266.17 - -	56.36 -	170,388,704 -	264,503,296
[java]	Populate	12	schema_lucid_plural.xml	1	15001	237.31	63.21	174,202,544	264,503,296
[java]	Populate - -	13	schema_solr_example.xml - - - -	1 - -	15001 - -	267.68 - -	56.04 -	36,058,616 -	264,634,368

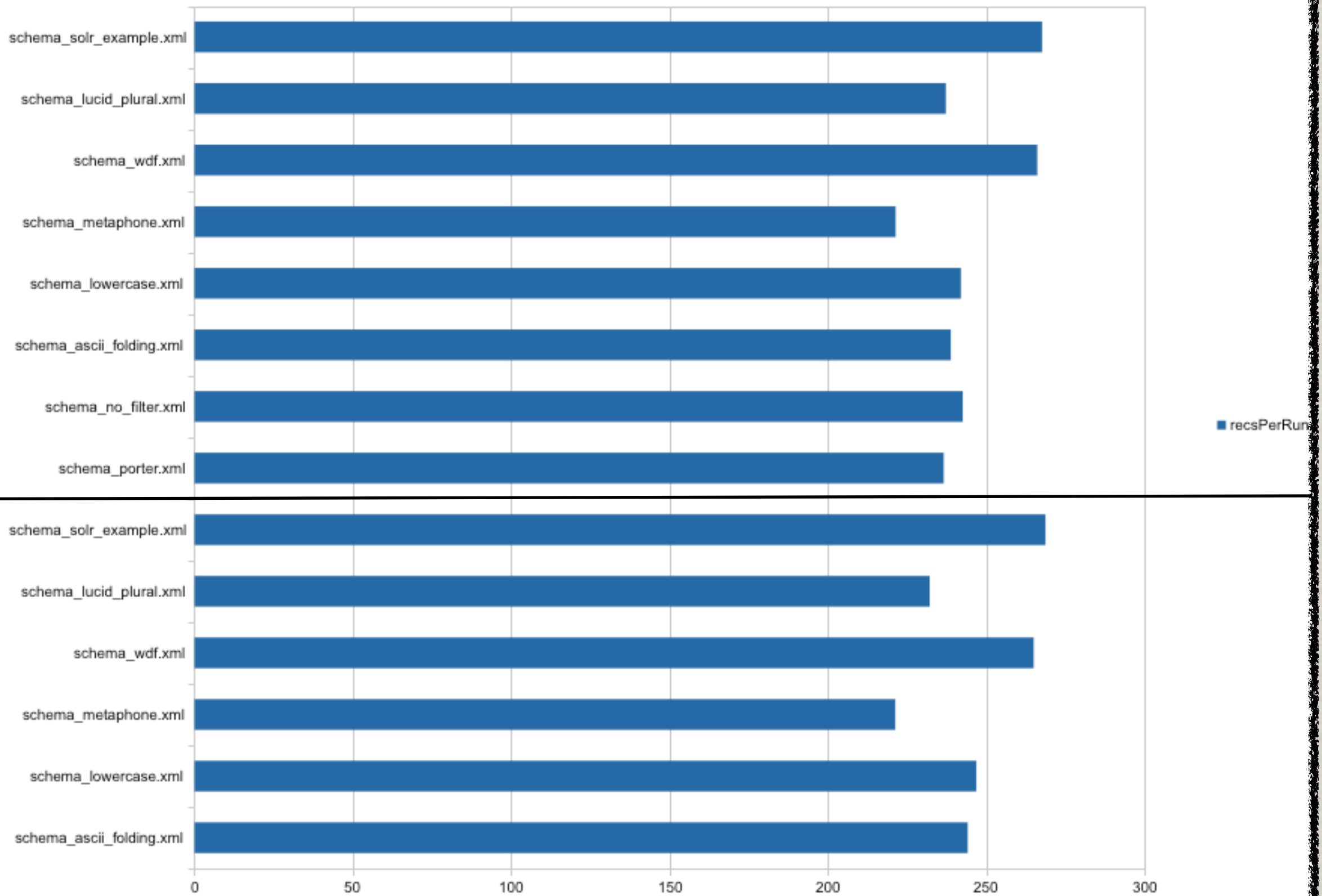
[java] #####

[java] ### D O N E !!! ###

[java] #####

BUILD SUCCESSFUL

Total time: 18 minutes 43 seconds

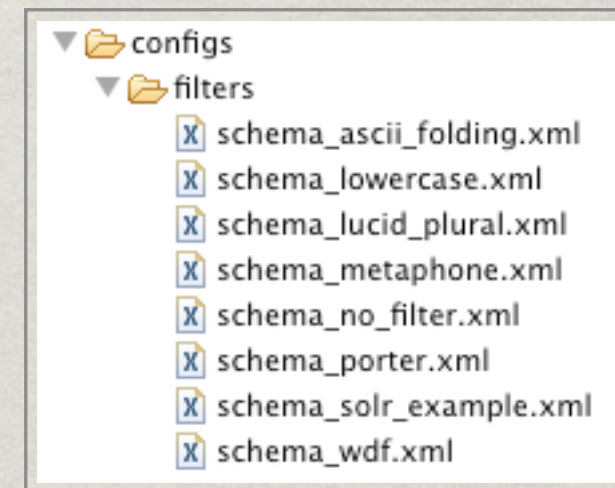


✻ What other cool things?

✻ Local or Remote - local allows starting a new JVM during the algorithm run - remote lets you hit any remote or locally running Solr instance.

✻ Select Solr config files per round.

- ✱ Select config per round allows you to easily setup a wide variety of configurations for testing - add in a little version control and now you are cooking with fire.



`solr.configs.home=/configs/filters`

`solr.schema=schema:schema_ascii_folding.xml:schema_lowercase.xml:schema_metaphone.xml`



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