

WORLD OF LOGGING

Welcome

Talk is about Logging in
General

We'll not into specific code

1. Logging in general
2. What we do
3. Who we are
4. What we might do

That's me.

Joined logging because I wanted to see
a PHP project on ASF

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Question: Does Logging give you any revenue?

Rule of a thumb: things break

Without logging you are blind

Checking log files for errors is crucial for apps in production


**Instead of `system.out`, use a logging framework.
You need the information on the right place at the right time**

ANSWER: Yes! You save cost when your app fails and you got some information about it on the right place

Why should you log?



T H E
BIGGEST
CHALLENGES
W E H A V E



Logging should not take out (much) application performance

Logging framework need an „off button“ to gain more power

SPEED!

Failsafe. Reliable.

Logging Frameworks must not fail. They must not bring your app into trouble

Bad example: log4j 1 has known memory leaks

They must log everything we want - lost log messages are bad

Example: hot reconfiguration - logback loses messages, log4j 2 not. Reason: Config is bound to the appender

Compability.

Version should not conflict as people might use different versions of the same api

configuration should not change as people do upgrade in an instant

People don't want to learn so much about logging. What they know must not be invalidated

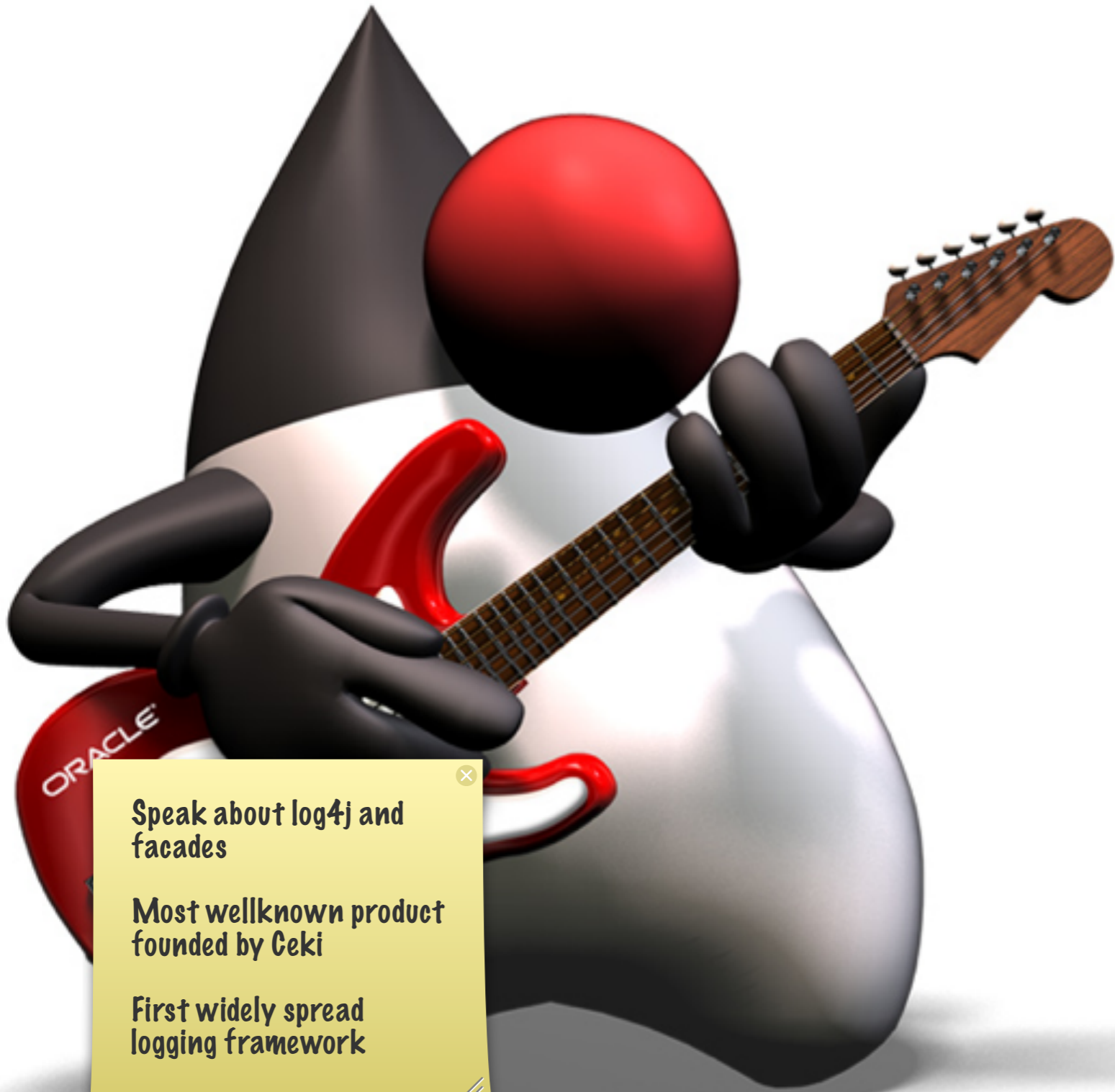


Logging APIs are a matter of taste.

There is no „perfect“ solution. But we developers consider „easy“ solutions as most perfect

We don't want to care about logging

Taste.



Logging with Duke Java

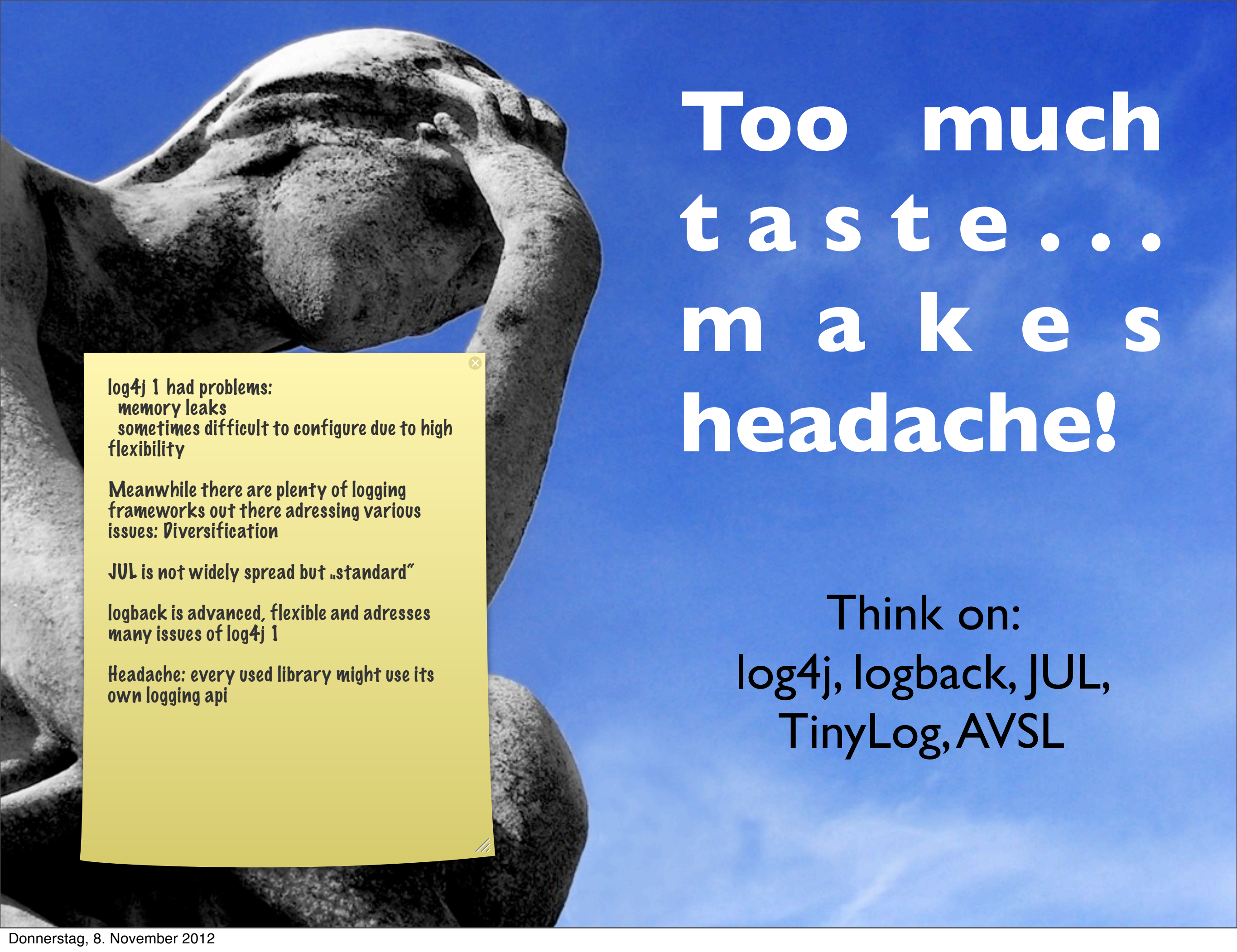
Speak about log4j and
facades

Most wellknown product
founded by Ceki

First widely spread
logging framework

ORACLE

oracle.com/java



Too much taste... makes headache!

log4j 1 had problems:
memory leaks
sometimes difficult to configure due to high flexibility

Meanwhile there are plenty of logging frameworks out there addressing various issues: Diversification

JUL is not widely spread but „standard“

logback is advanced, flexible and addresses many issues of log4j 1

Headache: every used library might use its own logging api

Think on:
log4j, logback, JUL,
TinyLog, AVSL



Facades abstract the implementation.

2 known facades

Libs should always use such a facade and never an API directly

Pills:

slf4j & Commons Logging

Which pill?

In theory, there are bindings from both pills to most APIs

In practice slf4j is modern and maintained, while ACL is not

De facto standard is slf4j

ACL does only support basic features compared to slf4j

slf4j

log4j 1

logback

JUL

AVSL

log4j 2

Commons Logging

Don't forget PAX!

It was long silent on log4j 1 but now there is log4j 2

Apache Licensed, Community developed

We will push log4j 2 until it reaches the state to fully replace 1.x series

log4j 2 integrates well with slf4j, ACL and log4j1

log4j 2.0 is the future of log4j

Integrates well with:

slf4j

log4j 1.x

Commons Logging

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What makes **log4j 2.0** better?

API++

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    logger.info("Hi, " + u.getA() + " " + u.getB());
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Write:

```
logger.info("Hi, {} {}", u.getA(), u.getB());
```


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Marker:

```
Marker SQL_MARKER =  
    MarkerManager.getMarker("SQL");
```

```
logger.debug(  
    SQL_MARKER,  
    "SELECT * FROM {}", table);
```

Plugins

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```
@Plugin(name = "Sandbox",  
        type = "Core",  
        elementType = "appender")  
public class Mine extends AppenderBase {  
  
    private Mine(String name, Filter f) {  
        super(name, f, null);  
    }  
  
    public void append(LogEvent e) { ... }
```

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```
@PluginFactory  
public static Mine create(  
    @PluginAttr("name") String n,  
    @PluginElement("filters") Filter f) {  
    return new Mine(n, f);  
}
```

Configuration

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```
<appenders>
  <Console name="Console"
    target="SYSTEM_OUT">
    <PatternLayout
      pattern="%d{HH:mm} %msg%n"/>
    </Console>
  </appenders>
```

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```
{ "configuration":  
  ...  
  "appenders": {  
    "Console": {  
      "name": "STDOUT",  
      "PatternLayout": { "pattern": "%m%n" }  
    },  
    ...  
  }
```

Configuration Reloading

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```
<configuration monitorInterval="30">
```

```
...
```

```
</configuration>
```

Performance tests have
to much variables to be
safe

one can say, every
framework is fast

log4j 1.x

2314

logback

2116

log4j 2.x

2386

Disabled

5

Logging Performance in ns

SPEED!



**There is
more
sweetness**

Chainsaw is a logfile viewer

it works with any logfile, no matter how it was generated

CHAINS,AW

Refine focus on:

Remove

Find: msg ~= 'changing state'

Remove

ID	TIMESTAMP	MARKER	LEVEL	LOGGER	MESSAGE	THROW...	THREAD
13370	10:06:49		DEBUG	player.Abstract	start decoding in 1 milliseconds		pool-26
13375	10:06:49		DEBUG	lightweighttrig	tswChanged: true : 4		pool-8
13376	10:06:49		DEBUG	user.UserPrefer	getInstance()		System-1
13377	10:06:49		DEBUG	util.Task	run task StartPresentationTask		pool-26
13378	10:06:49		DEBUG	lightweighttrig	getNetworkInterface: org.cablelabs.impl.davic.net.t		
13382	10:06:49		DEBUG	lightweighttrig	updateRecordingRequest: null		
13383	10:06:49		DEBUG	user.UserPrefer	addUserPreferenceChangeListe org.cablelabs.impl.media.play ngeListenerImpl)		
13384	10:06:49	started	DEBUG	player.Abstract	StartPresentationTask: [Prefet		
13385	10:06:49		DEBUG	lightweighttrig	getServiceContext		
13388	10:06:49		DEBUG	lightweighttrig	setRecordingRequest: null		
13389	10:06:49		DEBUG	user.UserPrefer	addUserPreferenceChangeListe org.cablelabs.impl.media.play ngeListenerImpl)		
13392	10:06:49		DEBUG	lightweighttrig	LTSI 0x181f5300: Setting reco		
13393	10:06:49		DEBUG	user.UserPrefer	Added listeners to EventMultic		
13394	10:06:49		DEBUG	source.DVRData	isLiveMediaTime - mediaTime 4.3930000000000001s (43930		
13398	10:06:49		DEBUG	lightweighttrig	LTSI 0xc02dd8d8: Setting reco		
13399	10:06:49		DEBUG	player.Abstract	getScalingBounds()		
11155	0		DEBUG	eas.EASManager	Changing state from: <EASStateNotInProgress> to: <EASStateNotInProgress>		
13262	15188		DEBUG	player.Abstract	changing state from Unrealized to Realizing		pool-8
13285	109		DEBUG	player.Abstract	changing state from Realizing to Realized		pool-26
13294	47		DEBUG	player.Abstract	changing state from Realized to Prefetching		pool-26
13351	375		DEBUG	player.Abstract	changing state from Prefetching to Prefetched		pool-26
13846	5219		DEBUG	player.Abstract	changing state from Prefetched to Started		pool-26

many features already like advanced mechanism for hiding/viewing content or using colors

finding by expression building

multitab view which can be composed of expressions

Chainsaw is actively maintained but has not seen an official release for a good while because it depends on unreleased components

The story of **log4php**

Entered Incubation 2004
Retired and reenabled in 2007
While retirement discussion in
2009, Christian stepped up
2010: log4php graduated
2010: Ivan joined

Multiple releases
Aiming for a next big release
First PHP project on ASF

2004 2007 2009 2010

log4net has little
activity

log4cxx has no activity

What's with...

log4net

log4cxx



Community

Good times, **bad times**

2000 Founded
2005 Ceki left
2009 Near death
2010 log4php revived
2011 log4j 2.0 arrived

2000 2009 2010 2011

We need your **HELP**

**Currently only
4 regular code
contributors.**



We still have a problem:
more people = more fun =
more code

A close-up photograph of a young child with curly brown hair covered in white soap suds. The child has a frustrated or angry expression, with their mouth wide open as if crying or shouting. The background is a plain, light-colored wall.

But we
FIGHT!

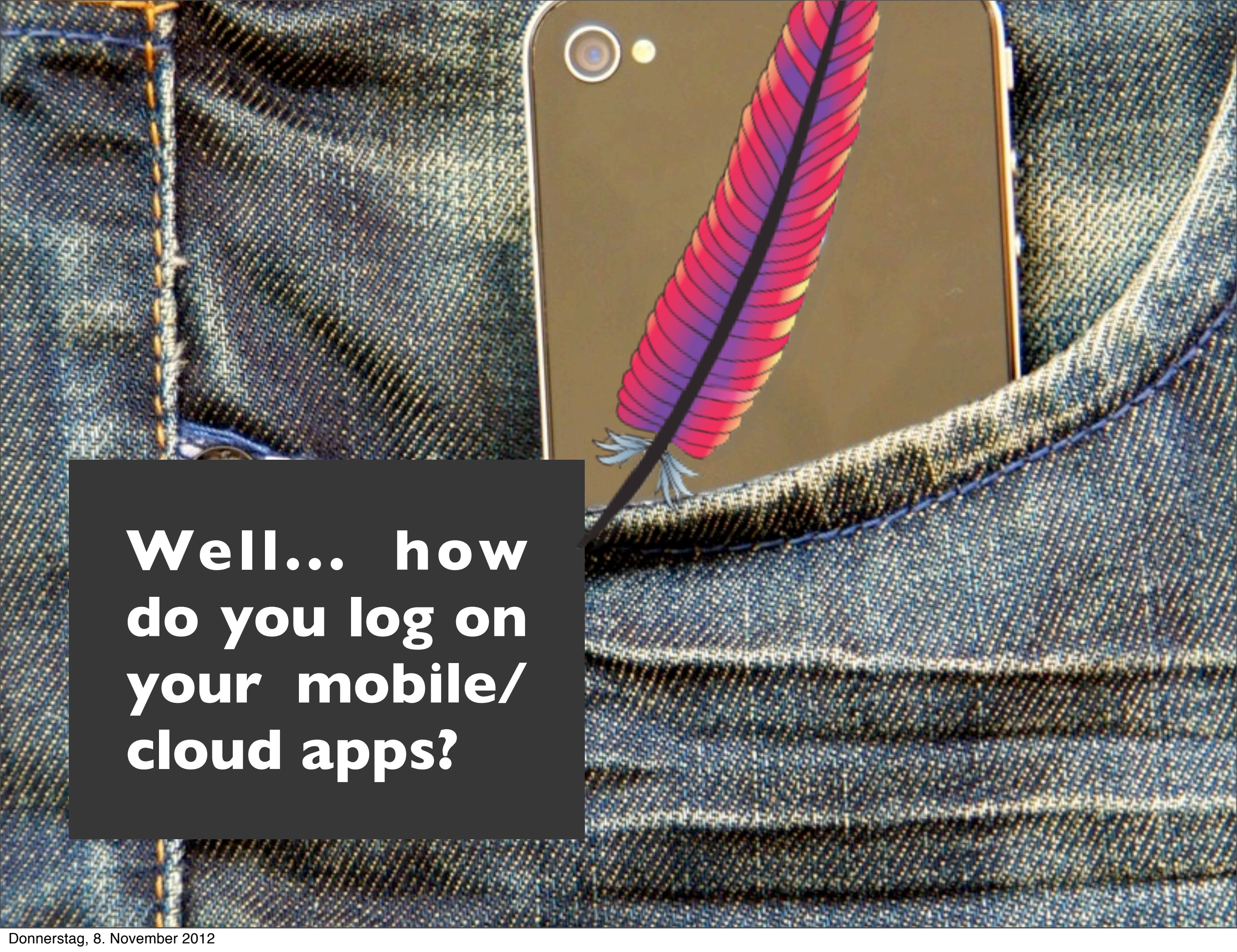
6 Releases
~750 Commits
~600 dev Mails
in 2012 only!



Seriously.

Isn't logging just

BORING?

A close-up photograph of a smartphone lying on a blue denim fabric. The phone's back is visible, featuring a camera lens and a flash. A vibrant, multi-colored feather graphic is superimposed on the phone's back, extending from the bottom left towards the top right. The feather has a gradient of colors: purple at the base, transitioning through pink and red to yellow and orange at the tip. The denim fabric is detailed with its characteristic weave and stitching.

**Well... how
do you log on
your mobile/
cloud apps?**

With new innovation
new logging challenges
come up.

**Logging needs
innovation too.**

Look at Apache Flume.

Flume is an advanced
framework to collect log
data

log4j2 has an Flume
appender

logphoria
loggly.com
do commercial products

The logo features the word "Apache" in a small, black, sans-serif font above the word "MAYHEM" in a large, bold, black, sans-serif font. A red, stylized letter 'W' is superimposed over the 'MAY' part of "MAYHEM". A small "TM" trademark symbol is located at the top right of the "MAYHEM" text. The background is a dark, grayscale image of a boxing ring with two boxers and a referee.

Apache **MAYHEM**TM

Upcoming at the Incubator
Guice Components

Apache **MAYHEM**TM

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Logger logger = Logger.getLogger( „test“ );
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Write:

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@InjectLogger  
Logger logger;
```

A volcanic eruption scene. In the foreground, a dark, jagged lava flow is visible. In the background, a bright orange and yellow lava flow is active, with a large, dense plume of sparks and molten material being ejected into the air. The sparks are thin, golden-yellow lines that fan out in all directions, creating a dramatic, fiery display against the dark sky.

**Remember: Logging is
mission critical.**

Don't go without.



We are hiring!

**use it!
ask questions!
spread the love!
send patches!**

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Thank you!

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Follow me, if you dare!

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