

# Inherit Odoo Mixins to Empower your App

Let us recode everything from scratch. Or not.

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*based on work from Damien BOUVY*

If only I knew there were so cool mixins in Odoo, I would have avoided a lot of issues. To future generations: reuse, do not recode !

— Abraham Lincoln



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# Some common features

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- Marketing
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- rating.mixin
- utm.mixin

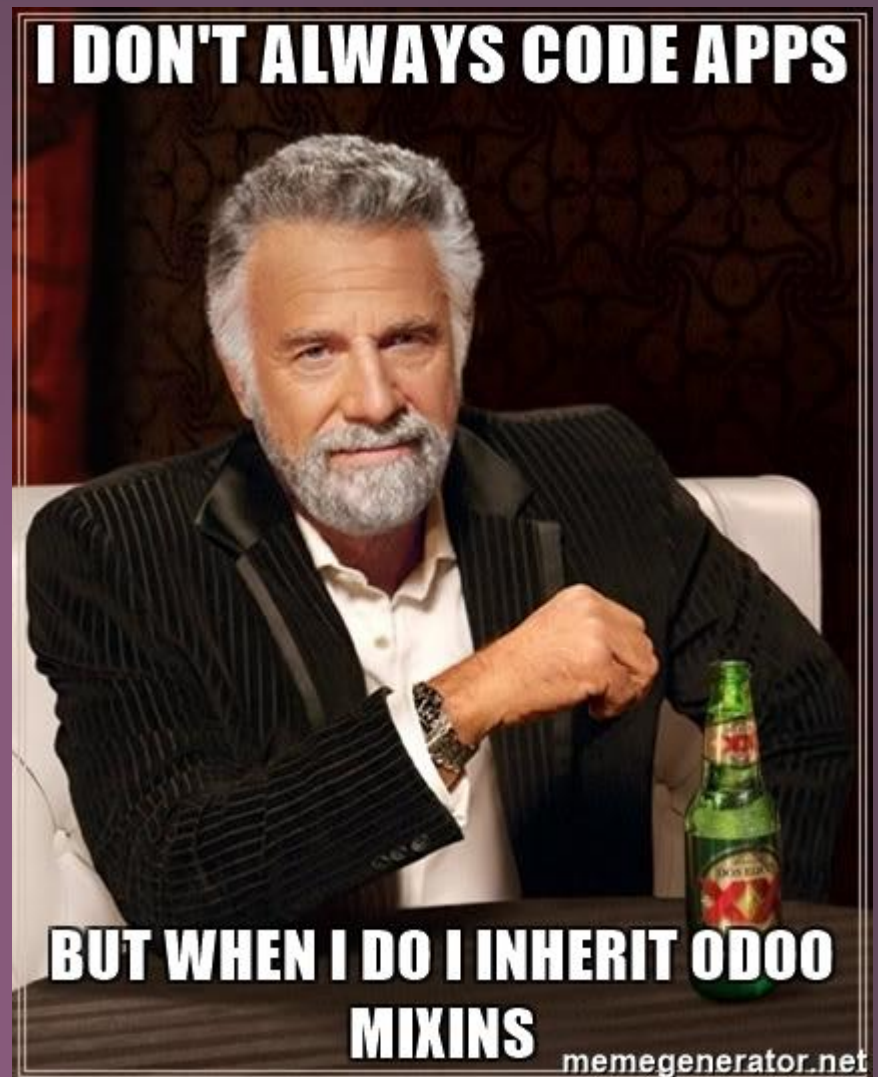
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- portal, website.published
- website.seo.metadata

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— A Classy Cool Dev



Thanks Classy Cool Dev!  
But what is a Mixin ?

# Mixin Class: vaziztasse ?

- Mixin class: extracts transversal features
  - AbstractModel: no table, only for definition
  - offer features through inheritance
  - e.g. messaging mechanism, customer satisfaction request, ...

```
class MailThread(models.AbstractModel):
    _name = 'mail.thread'
    _description = 'Mail Thread Mixin'

    message_ids = fields.One2many(
        'mail.message', 'Messages')
    message_follower_ids = fields.One2many(
        'mail.followers', 'Followers')

    def message_post(self, body):
        # do stuff

    def message_subscribe(self, partners):
        # do stuff
```



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    message_ids = fields.One2many(...)  
    message_follower_ids = fields.One2many(...)
```


```
class Plant(models.Model):  
    _inherit = ['mail.thread']  
    name = fields.Char('Plant Name')
```

```
class Order(models.Model):  
    _inherit = ['mail.thread']  
    name = fields.Char('Reference')
```


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    message_ids = fields.One2many(...)  
    message_follower_ids = fields.One2many(...)
```



```
class Plant(models.Model):  
    _inherit = ['mail.thread']  
  
    name = fields.Char('Plant Name')  
    message_ids = fields.Many2one(...)  
    message_follower_ids = fields.One2many(...)
```



```
class Order(models.Model):  
    _inherit = ['mail.thread']  
  
    name = fields.Char('Reference')  
    message_ids = fields.Many2one(...)  
    message_follower_ids = fields.One2many(...)
```

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class MailThread(models.AbstractModel):
    _name = 'mail.thread'

    message_ids = fields.One2many(...)
    message_follower_ids = fields.One2many(...)

    def message_post(self, body):
        # do stuff
        return message
```

```
class Plant(models.Model):
    _name = 'plant.plant'
    _inherit = ['mail.thread']

    name = fields.Char('Plant Name')
    price = fields.Integer('Plant Price')

    def say_hello(self):
        self.message_post('Hello')

    def message_post(self, body):
        if self.message_ids: ...
        self.message_follower_ids.write({})
        return super()
```

# Mixin Class: vaziztasse ?

- Mixin classes: extract transversal features
- Inheritance
  - “copy” fields on child, class inheritance: methods, super(), ...
  - **improved in v11: inherit abstract class itself**
    - > tweaking abstract through inheritance applies to all childs

```
class MyOwnMailThread(models.AbstractModel):
    _name = 'mail.thread'
    _inherit = 'mail.thread'

    message_my_own = fields.Integer(...)

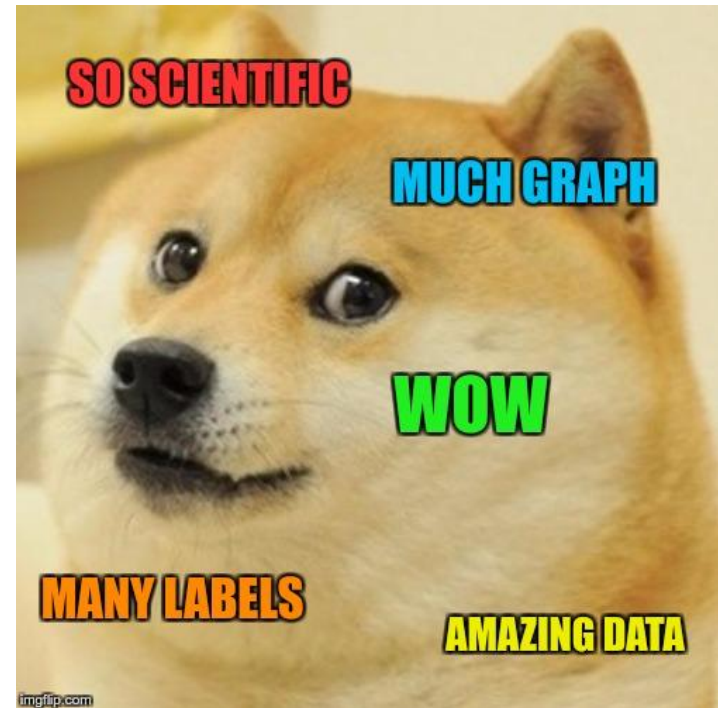
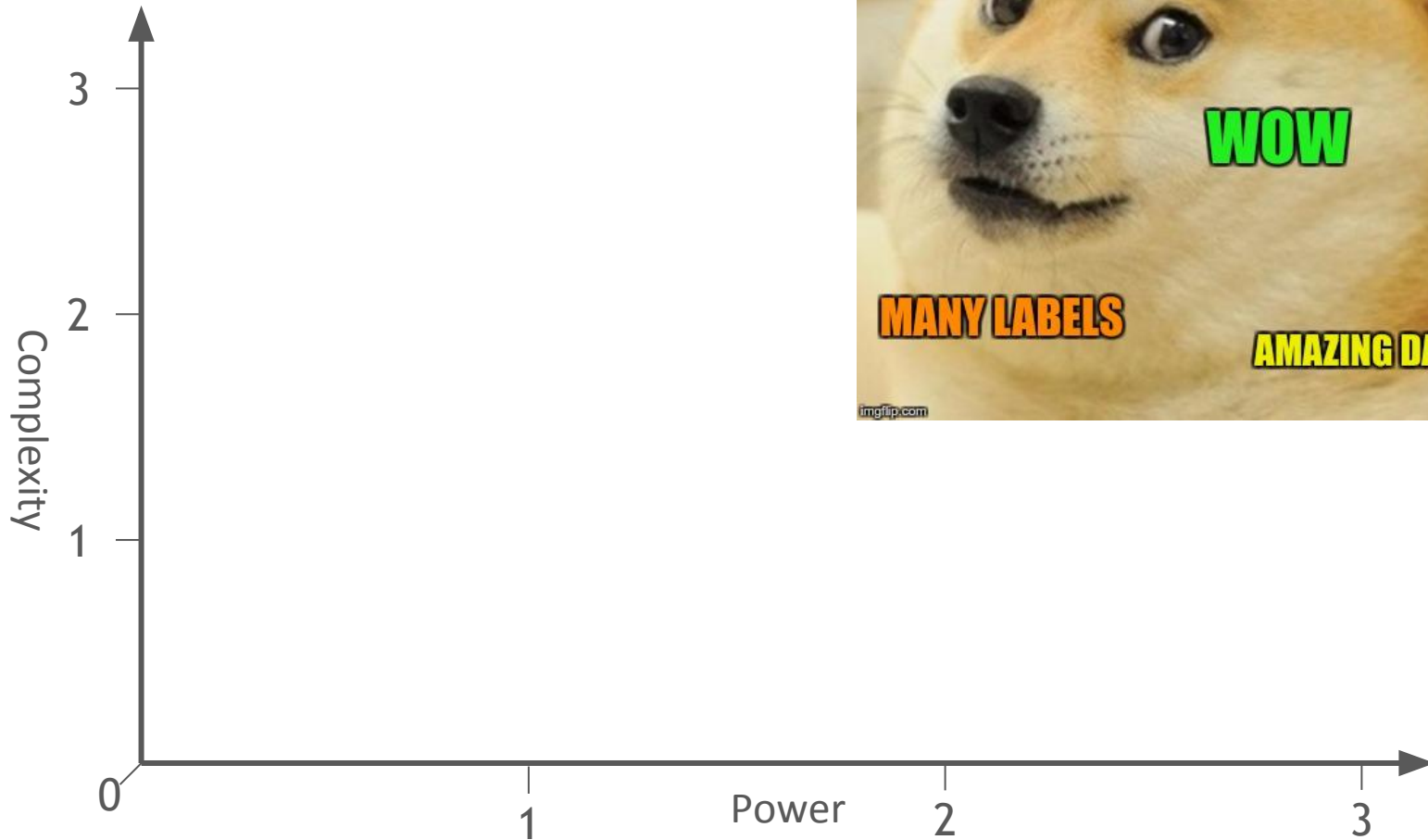
    def message_my_own_stuff(self):
        ...
        return

    def message_post(self, body):
        # do more stuff
        self.message_my_own_stuff()
        return super()
```

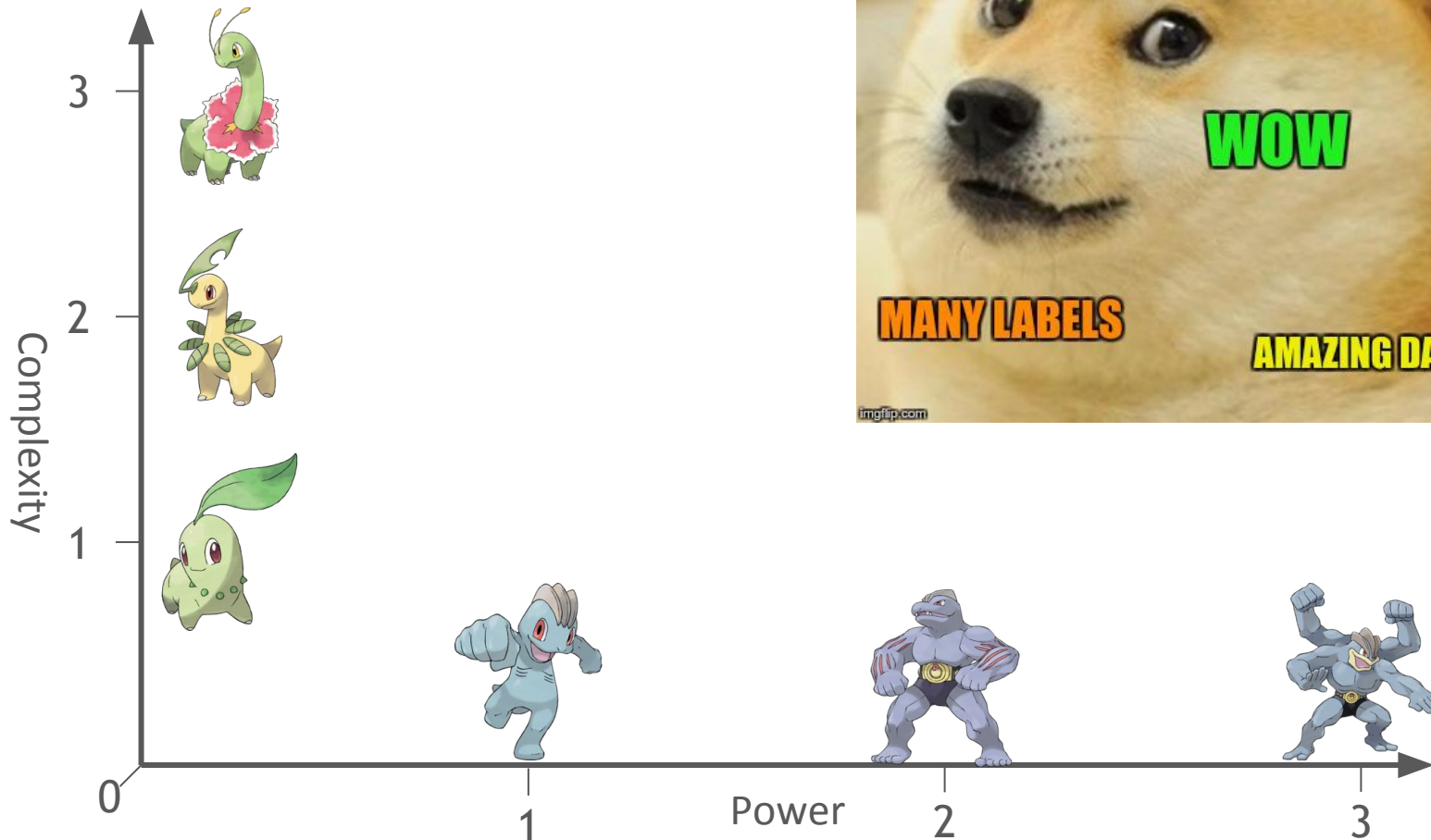


I master mixins. Now  
what ?

# The graph



# The graph



# Methodology

- Features of mixins
- How to implement them
- Code bits
- Live result
- Documentation ?



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- Features of mixins
- How to implement them
- Code bits
- Live result
- Documentation ?
  - well ...
  - Odoo doc + code
  - Source code of demo App





# Communication and Organization



# Mail Thread basics

- Add messaging to any class
- Auto-interfacing with e-mail
- How to
  - inherit mail.thread
  - add widgets
  - have fun !

```
class Plant(models.Model):  
    _name = 'plant.plant'  
    _description = 'Plant'  
    _inherit = ['mail.thread']
```

```
<div class="oe_chatter">  
    <field name="message_follower_ids"  
        widget="mail_followers"/>  
    <field name="message_ids"  
        widget="mail_thread"/>  
</div>
```

```
{  
    'name': Plant Nursery,  
    'depends': ['mail'],  
}
```



# Mail Thread: chatter

- Messages linked to a document

[Send message](#) [Log note](#)



**Brett Starkaxe** - 3 minutes ago ☆

Hi,

Bender! Ship! Stop bickering or I'm going to come back there and change your opinions you or let you go. We're also Santa Claus!

I've got to find a way to escape the horrible ravages of youth. Suddenly, I'm going to the checks. Now I have to pay "them"! WINDMILLS DO NOT WORK THAT WAY! GOOD NIGHT  
[read more](#)



**Woody Cutters, Administrator** - 5 minutes ago ✉ ☆

Hello Brett,

I hope this Apple Tree suits you. Of all the friends I've had... you're the first. Is the Space in an infinite loop, and he's an idiot! Well, that's love for you.

```
class Message(models.Model):
    _name = 'mail.message'
    _description = 'Message'

    model = fields.Char(...)
    res_id = fields.Integer(...)

    notified_partner_ids = fields.Many2Many(...)

    def create(self, values):
        msg = super()
        msg._notify()
        return msg

    def _notify(self):
        followers = self.get_followers()
        followers.notify()
        followers.send_mail()

class Plant(models.Model):
    _inherit = ['mail.thread']

    # coming from mail.thread inheritance
    message_ids = fields.One2many(...)
```



# Mail Thread: chatter

- Messages linked to a document
- Communication through Chatter

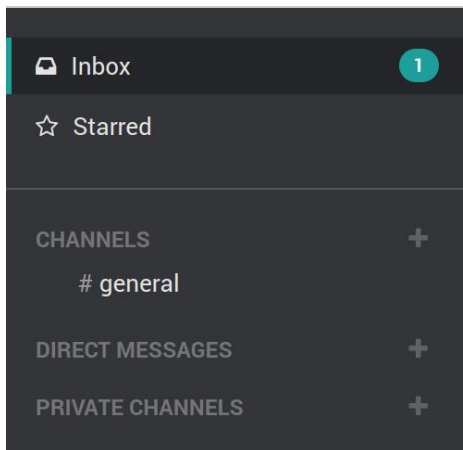
```
class MailThread(models.AbstractModel):
    _name = 'mail.thread'

    message_ids = fields.One2many(...)

    def message_post(self, subject, body, **kw):
        self.env['mail.message'].create({
            'model': self.model,
            'res_id': self.res_id})

class Plant(models.Model):
    _name = 'plant.plant'
    _inherit = ['mail.thread']

    def message_post(self, subject, body, **kw):
        super()
```



Today



**Brett Starkaxe** - 17 minutes ago on [Apple Tree](#) ☆ ↶ ✓

Hi,

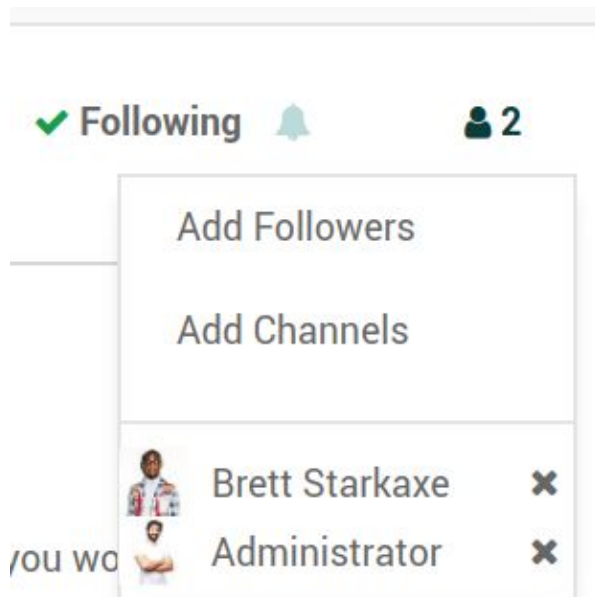
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# Mail Thread: chatter

- Messages linked to a document
- Communication through Chatter
- Followers management



```
class MailThread(models.AbstractModel):
    _name = 'mail.thread'

    message_follower_ids = fields.One2many(...)

    def message_subscribe(self, partners, channels):
        # add followers and listeners
        Follower.create(partners)

class Plant(models.Model):
    _name = 'plant.plant'
    _inherit = ['mail.thread']

    def message_subscribe(self, partners, channels):
        super()
```



# Mail Thread: mailgateway

- Process and route incoming emails
- Ensure thread detection
- App-specific behavior on new thread  
or on update

```
class MailThread(models.AbstractModel):
    _name = 'mail.thread'

    def message_process(self, email):
        # process email values

    def message_route(self, message):
        # heuristics when incoming email detected

class Plant(models.Model):
    _name = 'plant.plant'
    _inherit = ['mail.thread']

    def message_new(self, message):
        # do sthg when creating from email
        super()

    def message_update(self, message):
        # do sthg when incoming email
        super()
```



# Mail Activity

- Activities management on document
- Interfacing with Chatter
- How to
  - inherit mail.activity.mixin
  - add widgets
  - have much fun !

```
class Plant(models.Model):  
    _name = 'plant.plant'  
    _description = 'Plant'  
    _inherit = ['mail.thread', 'mail.activity.mixin']
```

```
<div class="oe_chatter">  
    <field name="message_ids" widget="mail_thread"/>  
    <field name="activity_ids" widget="mail_activity"/>  
</div>
```


```
{  
    'name': Plant Nursery,  
    'depends': ['mail'],  
}
```





# Mail Activity

- Activities management on document
- Activity-based state
- Filters

 Plant

1 Late


0 Today

1 Future




```
class Plant(models.Model):
    _name = 'plant.plant'
    _description = 'Plant'
    _inherit = ['mail.thread', 'mail.activity.mixin']

    # coming from mail.activity inheritance
    activity_ids = fields.One2many('mail.activity')
    activity_state = fields.Selection([
        ('overdue', 'Overdue'),
        ('today', 'Today'),
        ('planned', 'Planned')])
```

## ▼ Planned activities



**Yesterday:** "Send beautiful email" for Administrator ⓘ

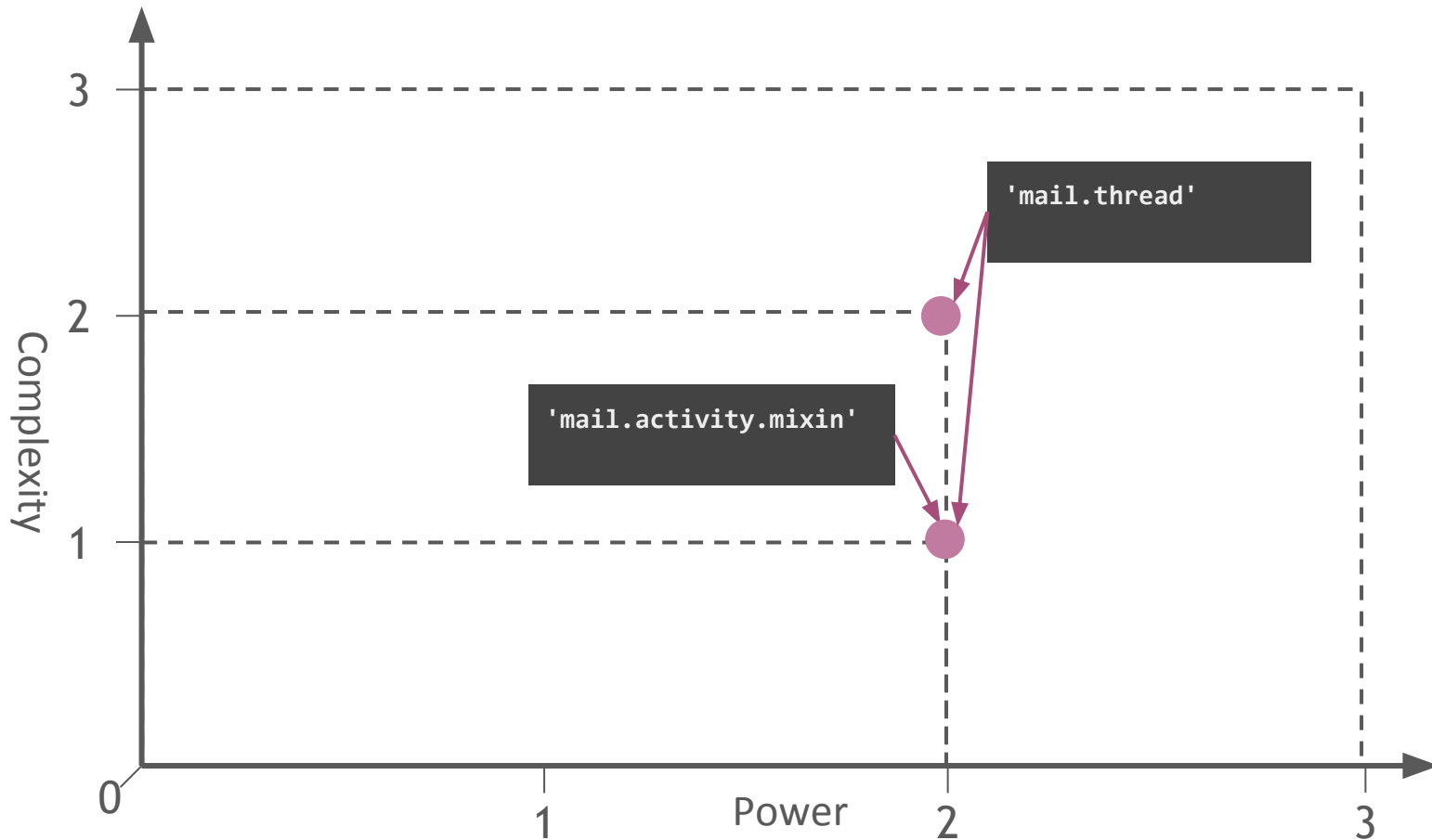
 ✓ Mark Done    Edit    Cancel



**Due in 2 days:** "Do stuff with Classy Dev" for Administrator ⓘ

 ✓ Mark Done    Edit    Cancel

# The graph





# Customer Satisfaction and UTM



# Rating

- Add rating on any class
- Request rating via email/route
- Analyse your ratings

```
class Plant(models.Model):  
    _name = 'plant.plant'  
    _description = 'Plant'  
    _inherit = ['mail.thread', 'rating.mixin']
```

```
{  
    'name': Plant Nursery,  
    'depends': ['rating']  
}
```

## Thanks! We appreciate your feedback

RATING REQUEST

Your rating has been submitted.



you are **satisfied**  
on our services on "**Gretta GmailAddress**"  
by **Power User**.



# Rating: a bit of work

- Rated partner (user\_id.partner\_id field)
  - rating\_getRatedPartnerId
- Customer (partner\_id field)
  - rating\_getPartnerId
- Access token
  - rating\_getAccessToken
- Routes (/rating/<token>/<score>)
- Email Template using this data

```
class Order(models.Model):  
    _name = 'plant.order'  
    _inherit = ['mail.thread', 'rating.mixin']  
  
    def rating_get_partner_id(self):  
        return self.customer_id
```

```
<record model="mail.template"  
    id="mail_template_plant_order_rating">  
    <field name="name">Plant: Rating Request</field>  
    <field name="email_from">  
        ${object.rating_getRatedPartnerId().email or ''}  
    | safe}  
    </field>  
    ...  
</record>
```



# Rating: a bit of work

Today



Woody Cutters, Administrator - now ☆



Satisfaction Survey

Hello,

Please take a moment to rate our services related to the order "**Gimli Order**" assigned to **Administrator**.

We appreciate your feedback. It helps us to improve continuously.

Tell us how you feel about our service:

(click on one of these smileys)



[read more](#)



# UTM

- Track incoming visitors
- Pre-built with three fields: campaign, source, medium
- Simple to extend



```
class Plant(models.Model):  
    _name = 'plant.plant'  
    _description = 'Plant'  
    _inherit = ['utm.mixin']
```

```
campaign_id = fields.Many2one('utm.campaign')  
source_id = fields.Many2one('utm.source')  
medium_id = fields.Many2one('utm.medium')
```

```
{  
    'name': Plant Nursery,  
    'depends': ['utm'],  
}
```



# UTM



- Track incoming visitors
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- URL parsing

```
class Plant(models.Model):  
    _name = 'plant.plant'  
    _description = 'Plant'  
    _inherit = ['utm.mixin']
```

[https://www.odoo.com?campaign\\_id=sale&medium=facebook&source\\_id=facebook\\_ads](https://www.odoo.com?campaign_id=sale&medium=facebook&source_id=facebook_ads)

Campaign

Sale

Source

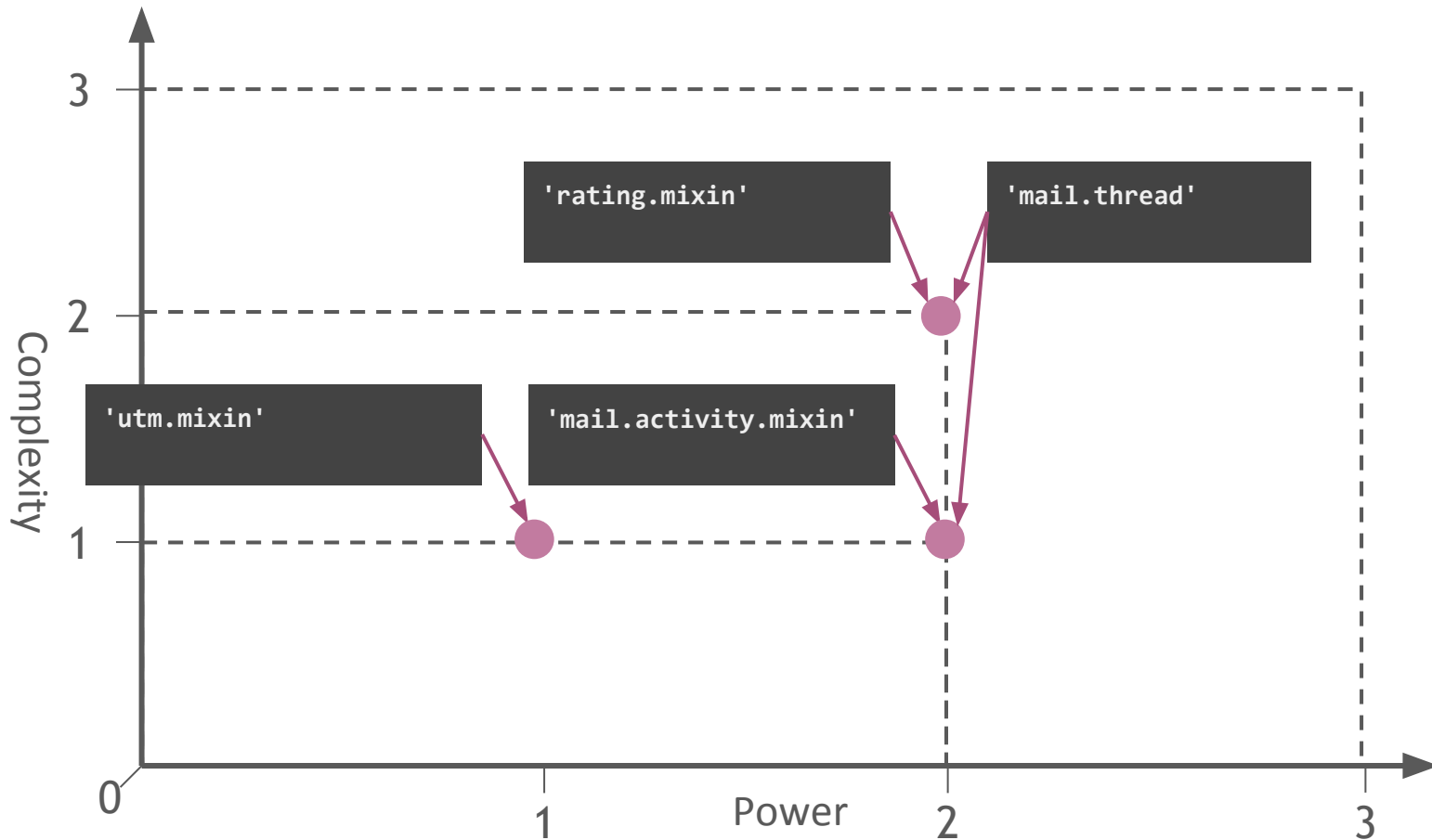
Facebook

Medium

Facebook Ads



# The graph





# Website, Portal and Pages



# SEO



- 'Optimize' SE rankings
- Add fields
  - Page title
  - Keywords
  - Description

```
class Plant(models.Model):  
    _name = 'plant.plant'  
    _description = 'Plant'  
    _inherit = ['website.seo.metadata']
```

```
website_meta_title = fields.Char('')  
website_meta_description = fields.Text('')  
website_meta_description = fields.Char('')
```

```
{  
    'name': Plant Nursery,  
    'depends': ['website'],  
}
```



# SEO: Website

- 'main\_object' magic in website
- Website promote button
- Set SEO metadata

```
@route('/plant/<model("plant.plant"):plant>/',  
      type='http',  
      auth='public',  
      website=True)  
def plant(self, plant, **post):  
    values = {  
        'main_object': plant,  
        'plant': plant,  
        'stuff': post.get('stuff', 'brol'),  
    }  
    return request.render("plant_page", values)
```



# SEO: Website

## Promote This Page

Get this page efficiently referenced in Google to attract more visitors.



Page Title

Apple Tree | My Website

Description

Super tree

### Preview

how your page will be listed on Google

Apple Tree | My Website

<http://localhost:8069/plant/apple-tree-7>

Super tree

## Define Keywords

describing your page content

Keyword

English ▾

Add

apple tree



### Suggested

Most searched topics related to your keywords, ordered by importance:

honda

s for sale

dental

diseases

leaves

inn

yard

daycare

learning center

Legend:

Not used

In title

In description

In page's content

Save

Discard



# Publish

- Control visibility of documents
- Add fields
  - published
  - URL (slug)
- **Access rights & route management**  
**still up to you !**

```
class Plant(models.Model):  
    _name = 'plant.plant'  
    _description = 'Plant'  
    _inherit = ['website.published.mixin']
```

```
{  
    'name': Plant Nursery,  
    'depends': ['website'],  
}
```

```
from odoo.ir_http import slug  
  
website_published = fields.Boolean('')  
website_url = fields.Char(compute='_compute_website_url')  
  
def _compute_website_url(self):  
    for plant in self:  
        plant.website_url = '/plants/%s' % slug(plant)
```



# Publish: backend

- Control visibility of documents
- Website URL: computed field
  - > slug (/plant/tree-1)
- Backend: use website\_button
  - > jump to website\_url

```
class Plant(models.Model):  
    _name = 'plant.plant'  
    _description = 'Plant'  
    _inherit = ['website.published.mixin']
```

```
<button class="oe_stat_button"  
    name="website_publish_button"  
    type="object" icon="fa-globe">  
    <field name="website_published"  
        widget="website_button"/>  
</button>
```

```
from odoo.ir_http import slug  
  
website_published = fields.Boolean('')  
website_url = fields.Char(compute='_compute_website_url')  
  
def _compute_website_url(self):  
    for plant in self:  
        plant.website_url = slug(self)
```





# Publish: frontend

- publish\_management widget
  - Link backend / frontend
- > give action to execute

```
class Plant(models.Model):  
    _name = 'plant.plant'  
    _description = 'Plant'  
    _inherit = ['website.published.mixin']
```

```
<t t-call="website.publish_management">  
    <t t-set="object" t-value="plant"/>  
    <t t-set="publish_edit" t-value="True"/>  
    <t t-set="action"  
        t-value="'plant_nursery.plant_plant_action'"/>  
</t>
```

## Beaucarnea Recurvata



Category

Palm

Tags

Evergreen

Published

Oh no! The professor will hit me!  
But if Zoidberg 'fixes' it... then  
perhaps gifts!

That's not soon enough! I barely knew Philip, but as a clergyman I have no problem telling his most intimate friends all about him. Stop it, stop it. It's fine. I will 'destroy' you! Shut up and take my money!





# Portal

- Document- and App- specific portal url computation
- Generic URL computation
  - /mail/view controller
  - access\_token
  - partner\_id
  - integration with auth\_signup

```
class Order(models.Model):  
    _name = 'plant.order'  
    _description = 'Order'  
    _inherit = ['portal.mixin']
```

```
{  
    'name': Plant Nursery,  
    'depends': ['portal']  
}
```

```
class PortalMixin(models.AbstractModel):  
    _name = 'portal.mixin'  
  
    def get_share_url(self, body):  
        # compute generic /mail/view URL  
        return '/mail/view' ...
```



localhost:8069//mail/view?res\_id=8&model=plant.plant&access\_token=00932ad4-a4d4-40bb-becd-6c8b02cfa068e



# Portal

- Document- and App- specific portal url computation
- Generic URL computation
- In your App
  - access\_token definition
  - specific portal\_url computation

```
class Order(models.Model):
    _name = 'plant.order'
    _description = 'Order'
    _inherit = ['portal.mixin']

    access_token = fields.Char('Access Token')

    def _compute_portal_url(self, body):
        self.portal_url = '/order/%s/%s' % (self.id,
        self.access_token)
```

```
class PortalMixin(models.AbstractModel):
    _name = 'portal.mixin'

    def get_share_url(self, body):
        # compute generic /mail/view URL
```



# Portal

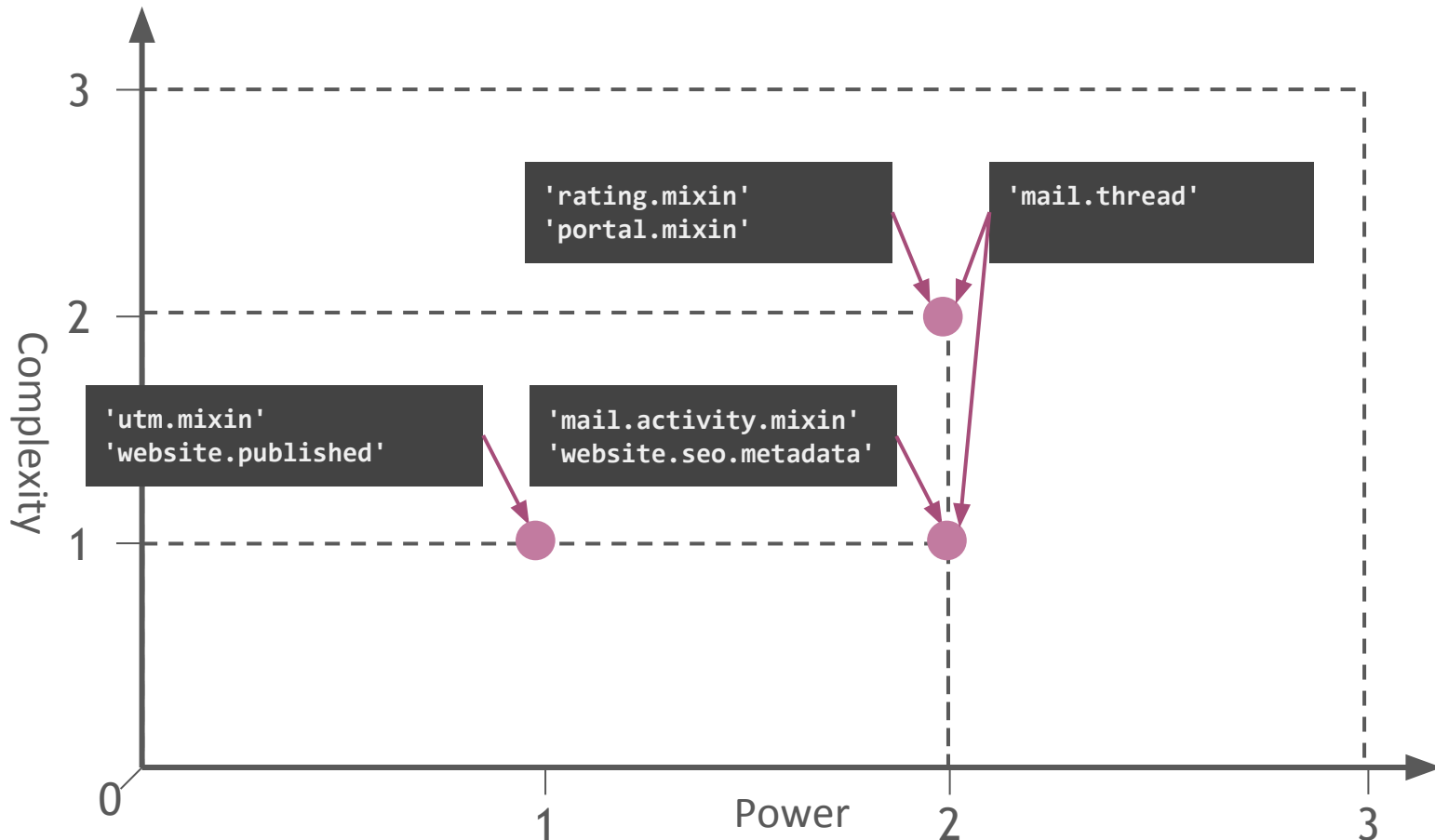
- Document- and App- specific portal url computation
- Generic URL computation
- In your App
  - access\_token definition
  - specific portal\_url computation
  - /mail/view controller check and redirection to portal

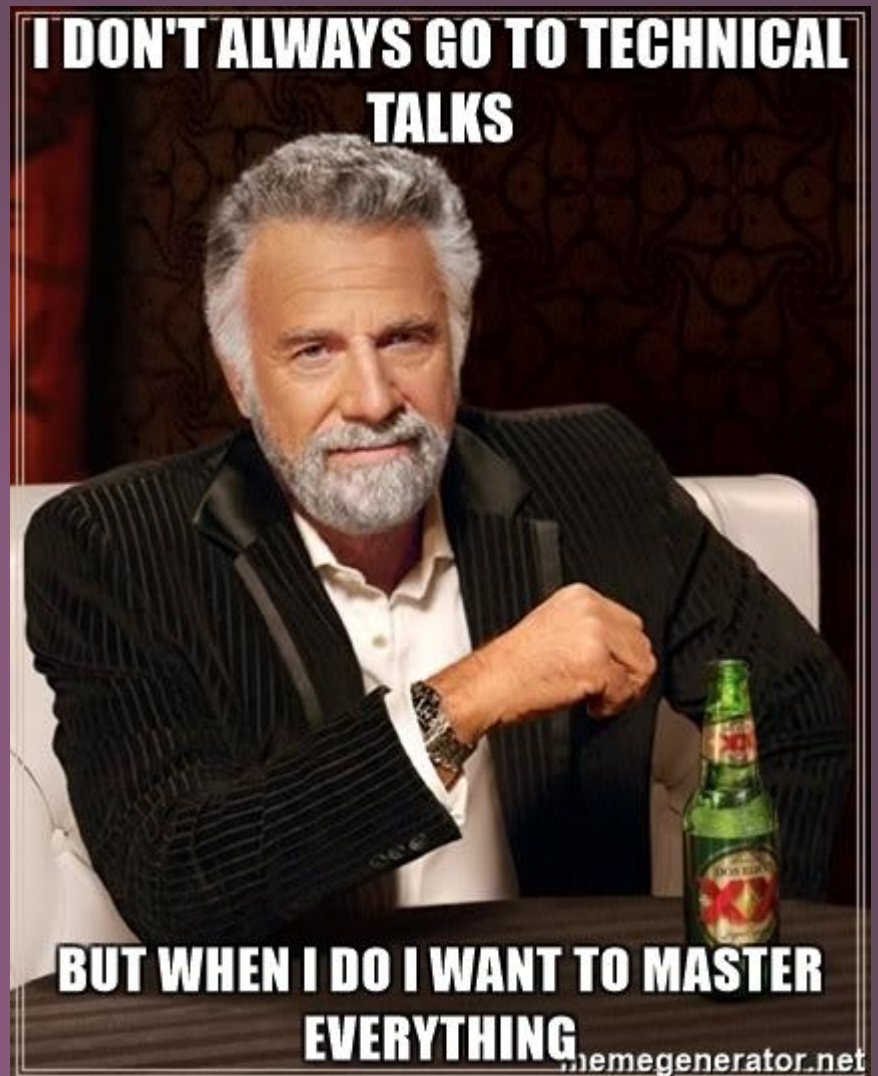
```
from odoo.mail.controllers.main import MailController

class OrderController(MailController):

    def _redirect_to_record(self, model, res_id,
        acces_token):
        # check access rights and access token
        ...
        if share_user and access_granted:
            return self.portal_url
        return super()
```

# The graph





— Still our Classy Cool Dev



## Advanced Mail Thread



# Mail Thread: Subtypes

- Characterize / filter messages
- Subtype definition (XML)
  - model specific (e.g. plant)
  - default / hidden
- Use in code: message\_post

✓ Following 

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- ☒ Discussions
- ☒ Activities
- ☐ Note
- ☒ Price Updated

```
class Plant(models.Model):
    _name = 'plant.plant'
    _inherit = ['mail.thread']

    def write(self, values)::
        res = super()
        if 'price' in values:
            self.message_post('Price Updated',
                               subtype='plant_price')
        return res
```

```
<record id="plant_price" model="mail.message.subtype">
  <field name="name">Price Updated</field>
  <field name="res_model">plant.plant</field>
  <field name="default" eval="True"/>
  <field name="hidden" eval="False"/>
  <field name="description">Price Updated</field>
</record>
```



# Mail Thread: Tracking

- Track value change
- track\_visibility on field
  - onchange
  - always
- Automatic logging

```
class Plant(models.Model):  
    _name = 'plant.plant'  
    _inherit = ['mail.thread']  
  
    price = fields.Float('Price',  
                        track_visibility='onchange')
```



**Woody Cutters, Administrator** - 2 minutes ago ☆

Price Updated

- Plant Name: Apple Tree
- Price: 50





# Mail Thread: Tracking & Subtypes

- Warn on some specific value change
  - Link a set of tracking and a subtype
    - `_track_subtype`
    - return `xml_id`
  - Message with tracking generated with the subtype
- > allow people to be notified

```
class Plant(models.Model):
    _name = 'plant.plant'
    _inherit = ['mail.thread', 'rating.mixin']

    price = fields.Float('Price',
                        track_visibility='onchange')

    def _track_subtype(self, values):
        if 'price' in values:
            return 'plant_nursery.plant_price'
        return super()
```



**Woody Cutters, Administrator** - 2 minutes ago ☆

Price Updated

- Plant Name: Apple Tree
- Price: 50



# Mail Thread: Tracking & Mailing

- Email on some specific value change
- Link a set of tracking and an automatic mailing
  - `_track_template`
  - give a `mail.template` and options
- Template rendered and sent  
-> force mailing to people
- Ultra power: add rating in template

```
class Plant(models.Model):
    _name = 'plant.plant'
    _inherit = ['mail.thread', 'rating.mixin']

    price = fields.Float('Price',
                        track_visibility='onchange')

    def _track_template(self, values):
        res = super()
        if 'price' in values:
            res['price'] = (
                'plant_price_template',
                options)
        return res
```



**Woody Cutters, Administrator** - 3 minutes ago ☆

Hello,

Plant Apple Tree price updated to 50.0.

Email automatically sent by Odoo Plant Nursery for Woody Cutters



# Mail Alias

- Email integrated with mailgateway
- Purpose: create / update thread in a given model
- Owner: record defining the alias
- Example
  - alias on category
  - creating XMas quote

```
class MailAlias(models.AbstractModel):
    _name = 'mail.alias'

    name = fields.Char('Email')

    # record creation / update
    model = fields.Char('Model')
    thread_id = fields.Integer('Update specific record')

    # record owner
    parent_model = fields.Char('Owner model')
    parent_thread_id = fields.Integer('Owner ID')
```



# Mail Alias: how to use

- mail.alias.mixin
- add alias\_id field
- Specify what do do with alias by overriding methods

```
class Category(models.Model):
    _name = 'plant.category'
    _inherit = ['mail.alias.mixin']

    def get_alias_model_name(self, values):
        return 'plant.order'

    def get_alias_values(self):
        values = super()
        values['alias_defaults'] = {}
        return values
```

Name

Palm

Alias

tde+xmas@odoo.com

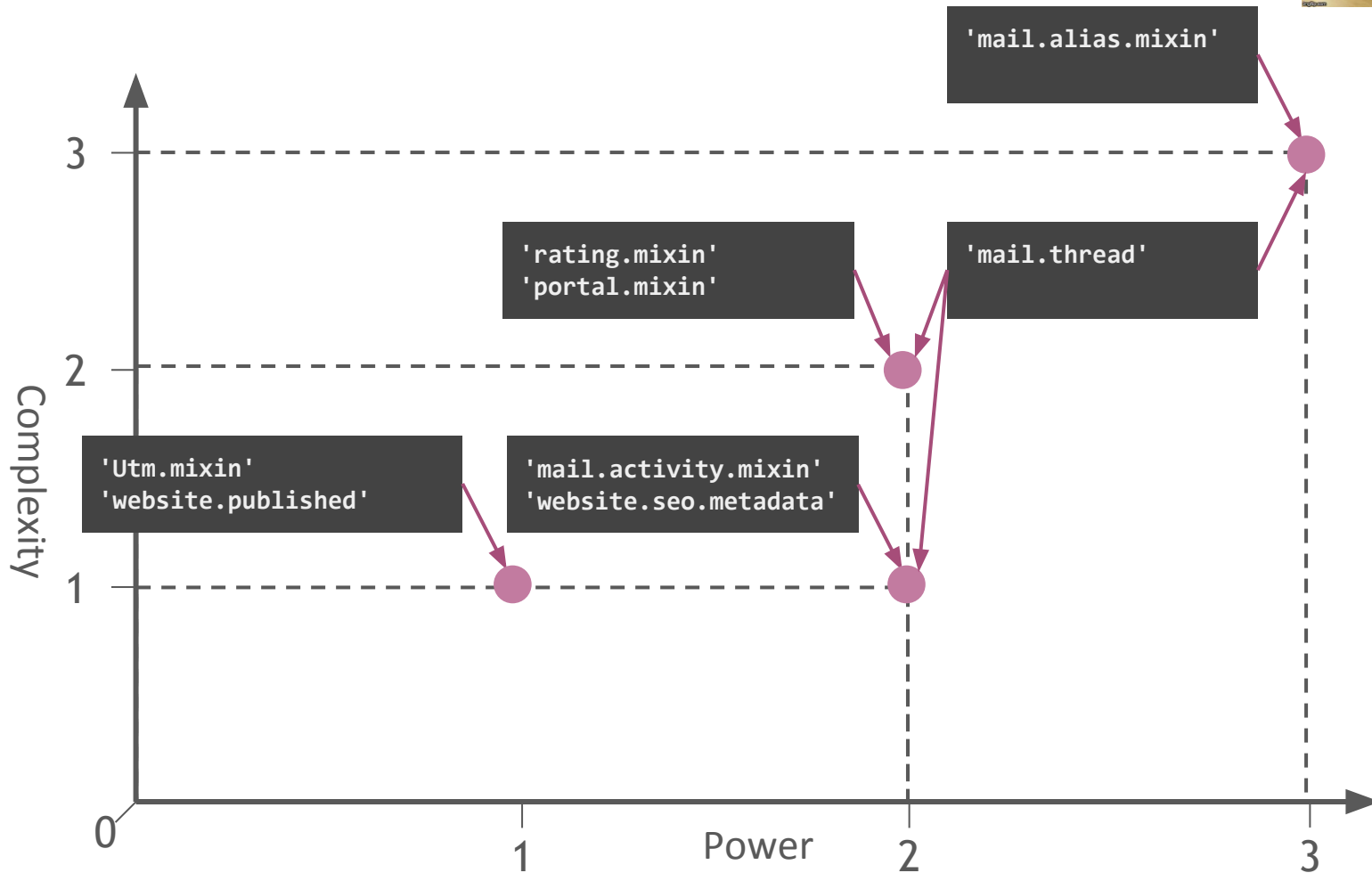
```
class MailAlias(models.AbstractModel):
    _name = 'mail.alias.mixin'
    _inherit = {'mail.alias' : 'alias_id'}

    alias_id = fields.Many2one('Alias')
```



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# The graph



<https://www.odoo.com/documentation>



[https://github.com/tde-banana-odoo/odoo\\_plants](https://github.com/tde-banana-odoo/odoo_plants)

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# Thank you.



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