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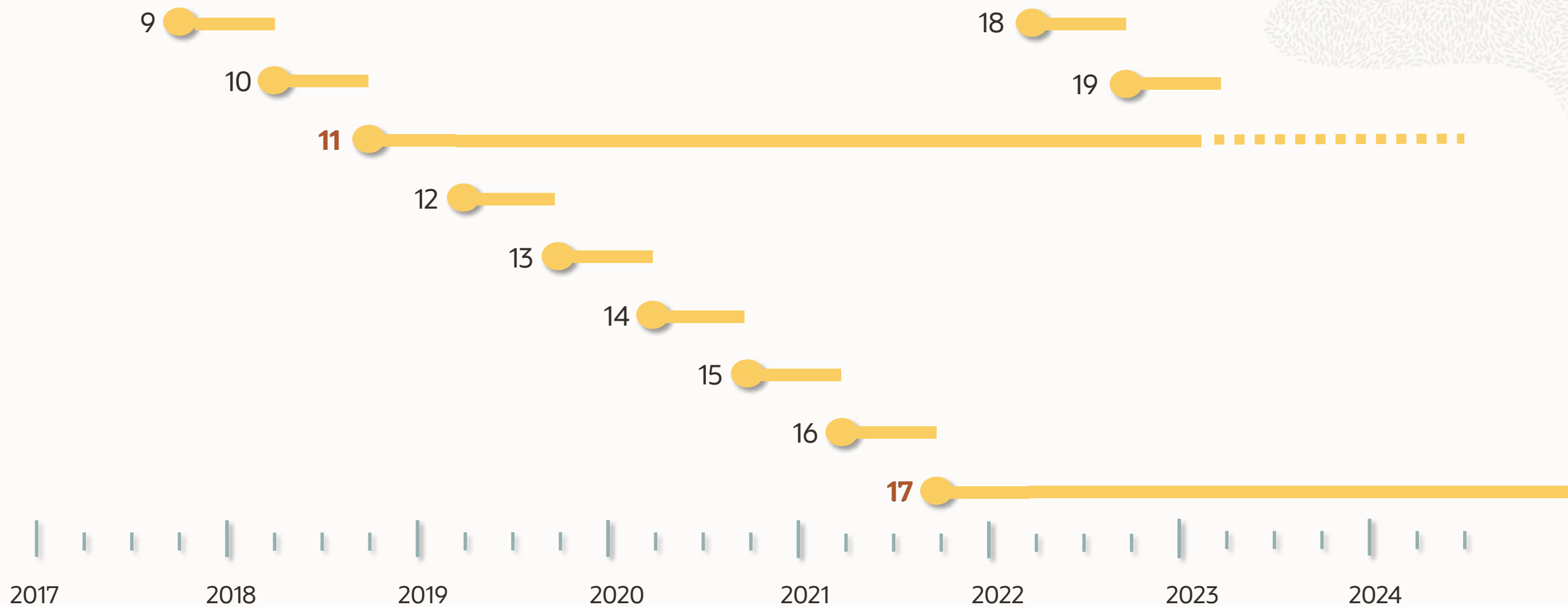
Developer productivity
Application performance

In the face of constantly-evolving
programming paradigms,
application styles,
deployment styles
and hardware.

Java 9 / JDK 9 - 90 JEPs

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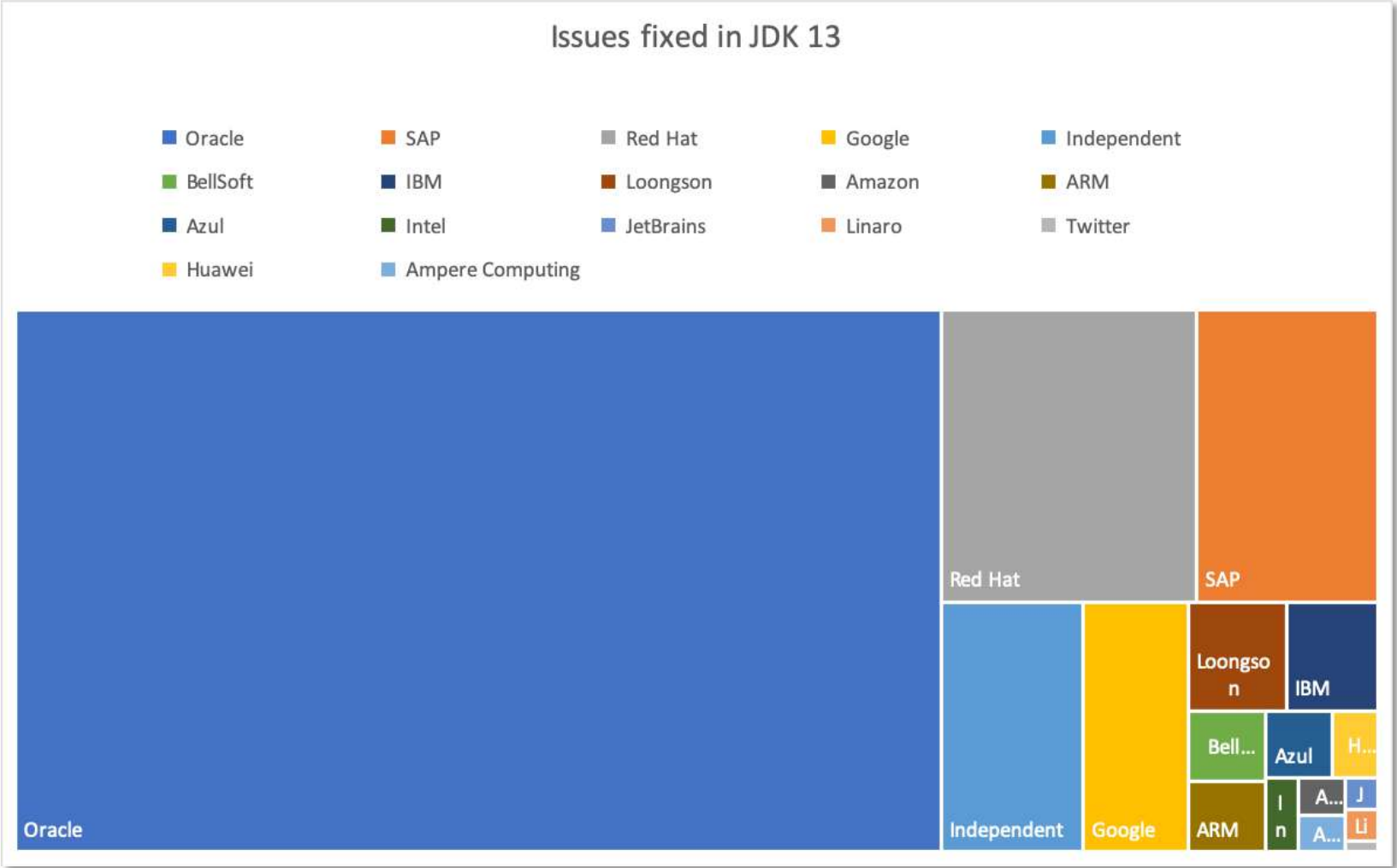


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Foster Faster Innovations

- Predictable release cadence
- JEP
 - Incubator, Preview, Standard
 - <https://openjdk.java.net/jeps>
- Project Skara
 - Investigate alternative SCM and code review options for OpenJDK
 - Git, hosted Git provider & tooling
 - Already moved : Skara, jfx, jmc, Loom, Panama-foreign + R/O mirrors
 - <https://github.com/openjdk/>



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Java 10 / JDK 10 - 12 JEPs

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- 304 **Garbage-Collector Interface**
- 307 Parallel Full GC for G1
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<https://bugs.openjdk.java.net/secure/Dashboard.jspa?selectPageId=19114>
<https://openjdk.java.net/projects/jdk/15/spec/>



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Innovating for the Future

ZGC

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Loom

Massively scale lightweight threads, making concurrency simple again

Amber

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Valhalla

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Metropolis

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Zero GC

- A Scalable Low Latency GC
 - Low Latency \Rightarrow pause times stay **below 10 ms**, typically within 2 ms
 - Scalable \Rightarrow pause times **do not increase** with the heap or live-set size
 - Handle heaps ranging from a few hundred megabytes to **multi terabytes** in size
- Use
 - `-XX:+UnlockExperimentalVMOption -XX:+UseZGC`
- And tune
 - `-Xmx<size>`

Zero GC

- JDK 11
 - Initial ZGC support on Linux (experimental)
- JDK 12
 - Support for concurrent class unloading, further pause time reduction
- JDK 13
 - Linux/AArch64 support, max heap size increased to 16TB
- JDK 14
 - MacOS (JEP 364) & Windows (JEP 365) support, JFR leak profiler, tiny heaps support (8mb), ...

<https://wiki.openjdk.java.net/display/zgc/Main>

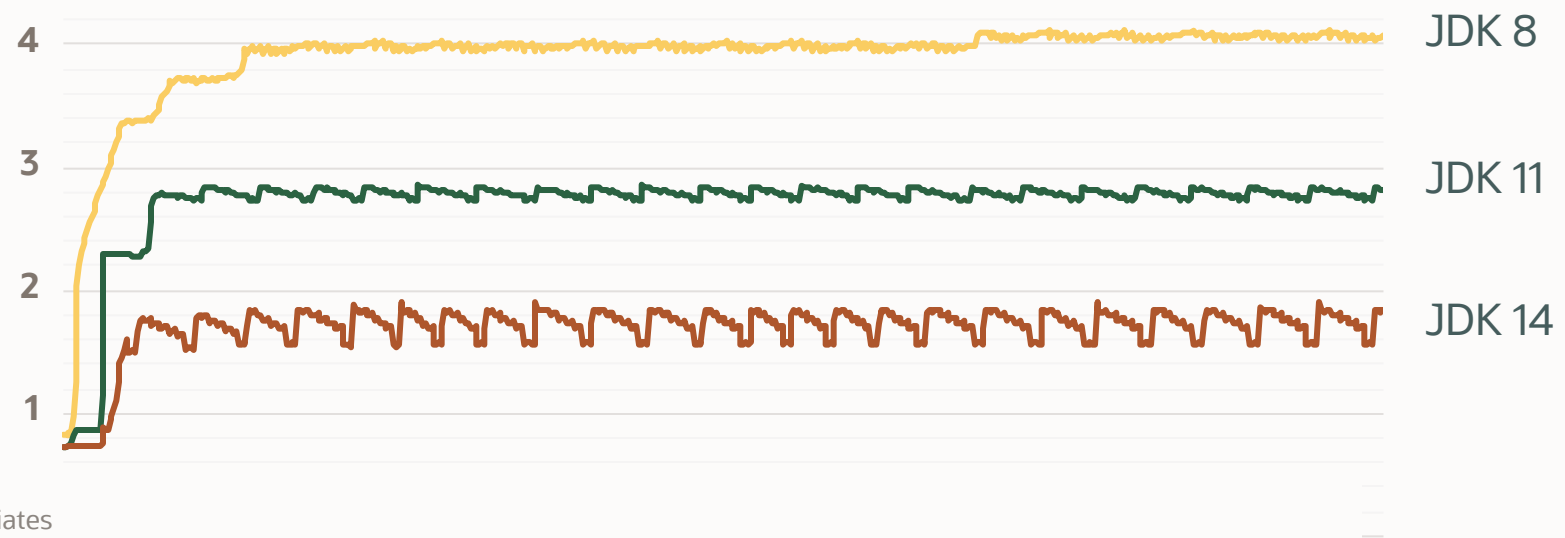
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<https://www.jfokus.se/jfokus20-presno/OpenJDK-in-the-new-age-of-GC.pdf>

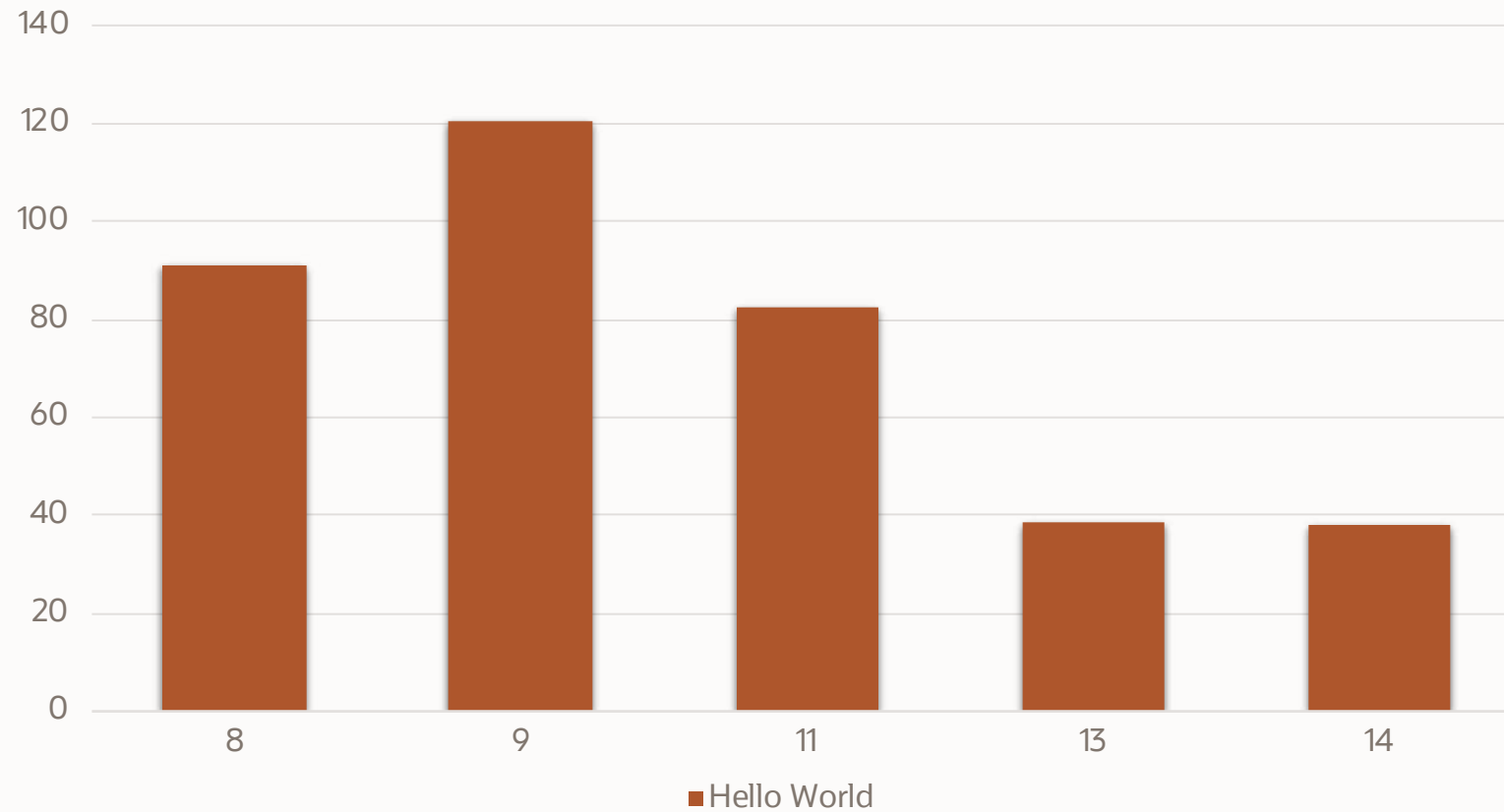
G1 GC

- NUMA-Aware Memory Allocation for G1 - [JEP 345](#)
- ~ 700 enhancements since JDK 8, across all areas!
 - Across all areas \Rightarrow significant improvements
- Ex. Native memory usage over time (GB)
 - BigRamTester, w. 16GB heap



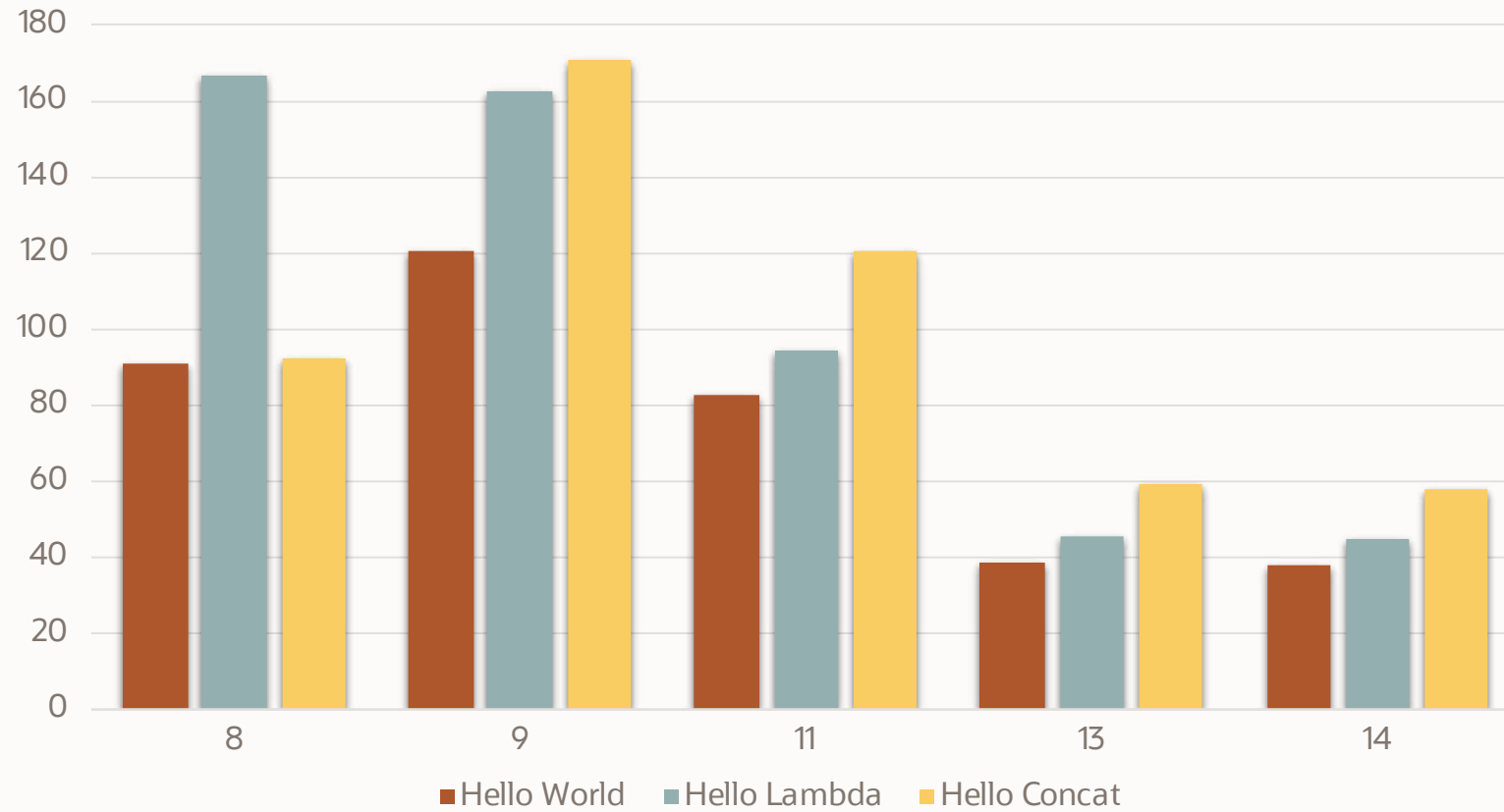
Startup Time

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<https://cl4es.github.io>

Project Valhalla

- Enable flatter and denser memory layouts
- Main impediment to better object layout is **object identity**
 - Enables mutability, layout polymorphism, locking, etc.
 - Not all objects need it, but all objects pay for it!
 - Hard to dynamically determine at runtime whether identity will be relevant

Project Panama

- Foreign Function/Data interface
- Simple, safe, and performant replacement for JNI
- Access to low-level hardware functionality through normal Java code

Project Panama

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- Foreign-Memory Access API - **JEP 370** (incubator)
 - Allows efficient off-heap memory access from Java
- “Extraction”
 - Tool to generate var/method handles from native library
 - API to customize the extraction process
- Vector API - JEP 338
 - Express vector computations that compile at runtime to optimal vector hardware instructions
- Non-Volatile Mapped Byte Buffers - **JEP 352**
 - Access to non-volatile memory (NVM) via MappedByteBuffer

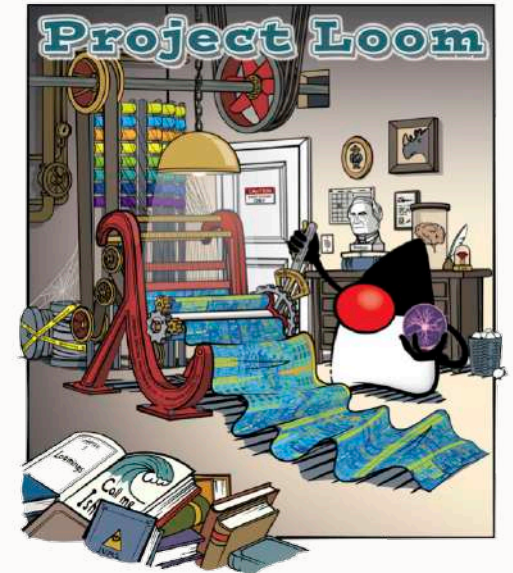
Panama



Project Loom

- Easier and more scalable concurrency model
- Virtual Threads vs. Kernel Threads
 - Making blocking calls virtually free
 - Millions of VT can be spawned in a single JVM instance!

Making → concurrency
→ simple again



Project Amber

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- Continuously improve developer productivity through evolutions of the Java language
- Delivered
 - Local-Variable Type Inference (**var**) - JDK 10
 - Local-Variable Syntax for Lambda Parameters - JDK 11
 - Switch Expressions - JDK 12 (Preview), JDK 13 (2nd Preview) & JDK 14 (Standard)
 - Text Blocks - JDK 13 (Preview) & JDK 14 (2nd Preview)
 - Records - JDK 14 (Preview)
 - Pattern Matching **instanceof** - JDK 14 (Preview)

Project Amber - Text Blocks JEP 368 (2nd preview)

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```
String html = "<html>\n" +  
              "    <body>\n" +  
              "        <p>Hello, world</p>\n" +  
              "    </body>\n" +  
              "</html>\n";
```

```
String html = """  
.....<html>...  
.....    <body>  
.....        <p>Hello, world</p>  
.....    </body>  
.....</html>...  
.....""";
```

Project Amber - Switch Expression JEP 361

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```
switch(day){
    case MONDAY:
    case FRIDAY:
    case SUNDAY:
        numberOfChar = 6;
    case TUESDAY:
        numberOfChar = 7;
        break;
    case WEDNESDAY:
        numberOfChar = 9;
        break;
    case THURSDAY:
    case SATURDAY:
        numberOfChar = 8;
        break;
    default:
        throw new IllegalArgumentException...
}
```

```
int result = switch (day){
    case MONDAY, FRIDAY, SUNDAY -> 6;
    case TUESDAY -> 7;
    case WEDNESDAY -> 9;
    case THURSDAY, SATURDAY -> 8;
};
```

Project Amber - Records **JEP 359** (preview)

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- Provides a compact syntax for declaring classes which are transparent holders for shallowly immutable data
- Data carrier class with less code ceremony

Amber - Records



Project Amber - Pattern Matching with InstanceOf JEP 305 (preview)

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```
if (obj instanceof String) {  
    String s = (String) obj;  
    // do something with s  
}
```

```
if (obj instanceof String s) {  
    // do something with s  
}  
else {  
    // can't use s here!  
}
```

Amber - instanceof



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Helpful NullPointerExceptions JEP 358

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```
java.lang.NullPointerException  
    at Npe.locate(Npe.java:666)  
    ...
```

```
666 location.getCountry().getRegion().getProvince().getCity().getDistrict().getAddress()...
```

```
java -XX:+ShowCodeDetailsInExceptionMessages ...
```

```
java.lang.NullPointerException:  
    Cannot invoke "location$City.getDistrict()"   
    because the return value of "Location$Province.getCity()" is null  
    at Npe.locate(Npe.java:666)  
    ...
```

JDK Flight Recorder

- Event based tracing framework built into the JVM
 - High performance event recorder
 - Very low overhead, designed to be used in production
- Keeps history of tracing data always available, enables “after-the-fact” analysis
- Allows data from different subsystems and software layers to be correlated
- Interfaces
 - CLI: JVM flags, jfr, jcmd
 - GUI: JDK Mission Control
 - APIs: Java & JMX

JFR Event Streaming **JEP 349**

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- Expose JFR data for continuous monitoring
- Stream event data as it is being produced, no need to dump data to a file
- API for the continuous consumption of events
 - In-process and out-of-process
- Low overhead (<1% overhead), safe for production

JDK Flight Recorder

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- Event Types

JDK 10	125
JDK 11	131
JDK 12	136
JDK 13	143
JDK 14 ^(rc1)	145
JDK 15 ^(ea-loom+3-2)	154

<https://docs.oracle.com/en/java/javase/13/docs/api/jdk.jfr/jdk/jfr/EventType.html>

Packaging Tool **JEP 343** (incubator)

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- jpackage
- Give end users a natural, i.e. native, installation experience
 - Windows: msi & exe
 - macOS: pkg & dmg
 - Linux: deb & rpm
- Allows launch-time parameters to be specified at packaging time
- Can be invoked directly, from the command line, or programmatically, via the ToolProvider API

JVM Container Awareness

JDK-8186248	More flexibility in selecting Heap % of available RAM ^(8u144)
JDK-8179498	attach should be relative to /proc/pid/root and namespace aware as jcmd, jstack, ... fail to attach ⁽¹⁰⁾
JDK-8146115	Improve Docker container detection & resource config usage ⁽¹⁰⁾
JDK-8193710	jcmd -l & jps do not list Java processes running in containers ⁽¹¹⁾
JDK-8203357	Container Metrics ⁽¹¹⁾
JDK-8220786	Create new switch to redirect error reporting output to stdout or stderr ⁽¹³⁾
JDK-8203359	JFR jdk.CPUInformation event reports incorrect information when running in container ^(in progress)
...	...
JDK-8230305	Cgroups v2: Container awareness ⁽¹⁵⁾

<https://bugs.openjdk.java.net>

Wrap-up





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