

Java Mission Control & Standard Recorder

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Agenda of the day ...

- Understanding Java Mission Control
- Understanding Java Flight Recorder
- Data Collection and Analysis by JMC and JFR
- Incident Analysis and Demo



"Once again, @javamissionctrl is saving my day." — Michael Nitschinger

"Mission Control is what you wanted instead of profiler, but were afraid to ask."

Oleksandr Otenko, Oracle Performance Engineer

"JMC, because in my experience other tools cause way more harm than good."

David Buck, Oracle SE

"It's an invaluable piece of work."

Maurizio Cimadamore, Oracle (Java Lang Tools)

"If I could get only one present for Christmas, it would be Oracle Java Mission Control."

– Morten G. Hermansen (tweet)

"JFR is really impressive for partners in Japan. Members who have trouble shooting tasks totally understand the necessity of JFR."

- Tomofumi Nijo, Oracle (Japan, Sales Consulting)



What is Java Mission Control?

- Set of powerful tools to monitor and manager Java Application.
- User friendly JMX console
- Can analyze Memory, Garbage Collector, Code and many more
- Newer version can help you with Automated Analysis
- You can connect a live application OR you can analyze a recorded application (by JFR).
- Designed to be very low overhead (less than 2%)



What is Java Flight Recorder?

- Just like "Black Box" in aircraft
- A profiling and event collection Framework
- Gather low level information from JVM without changing the runtime behavior of application
- Can be used (Should be used) in production. Very less overhead
- JFR recordings can be analyzed by JMC



Enabling JFR

- VM need to start with following options
 - java -XX:+UnlockCommercialFeatures -XX:+FlightRecorder
- Different options like
 - java -XX:+UnlockCommercialFeatures -XX:+FlightRecorder XX:StartFlightRecording=duration=60s,filename=myrecording.jfr HelloWorld
 - java XX:FlightRecorderOptions=defaultrecording=true,dumponexit=true,dumponexitpath=/tmp/file.jfr
 - We can use jcmd (available in JDK/bin) as well
 - jcmd PID JFR.start duration=60s filename=file.jfr



Running JMC

JAVA_HOME/bin/jmc



