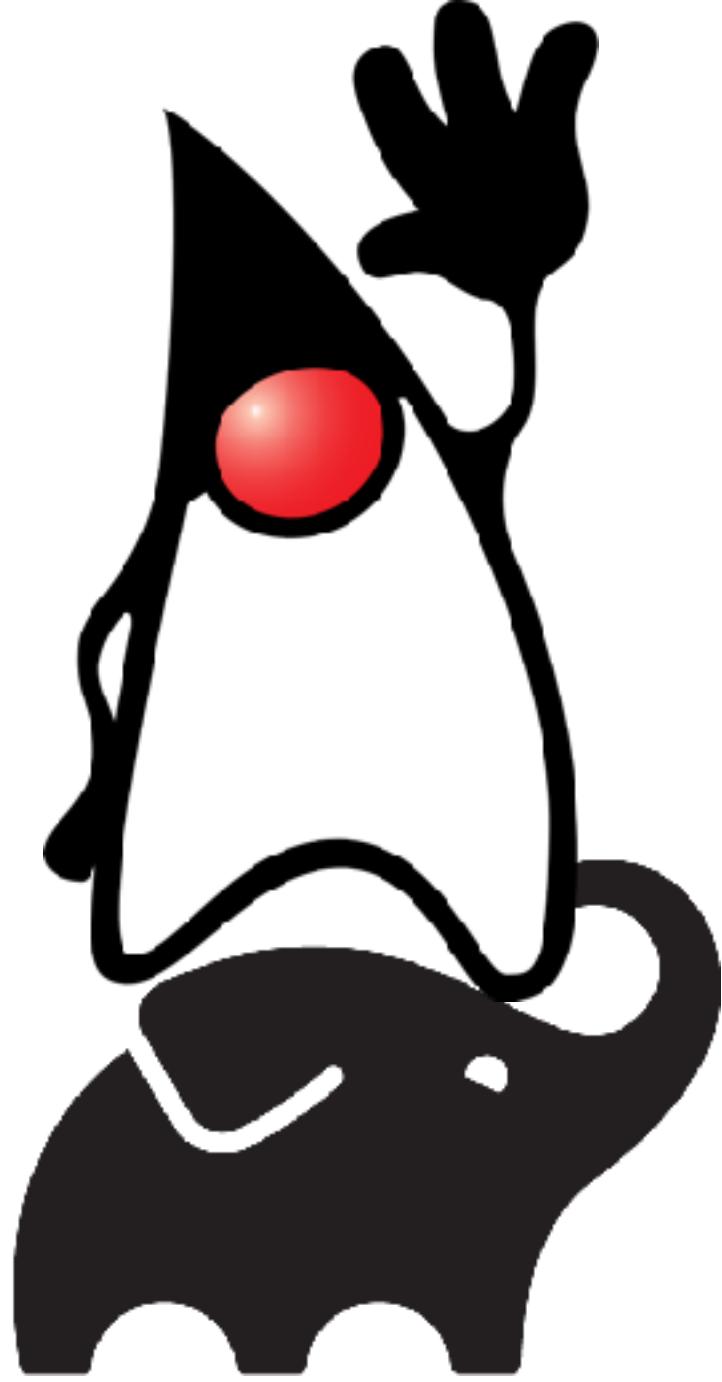


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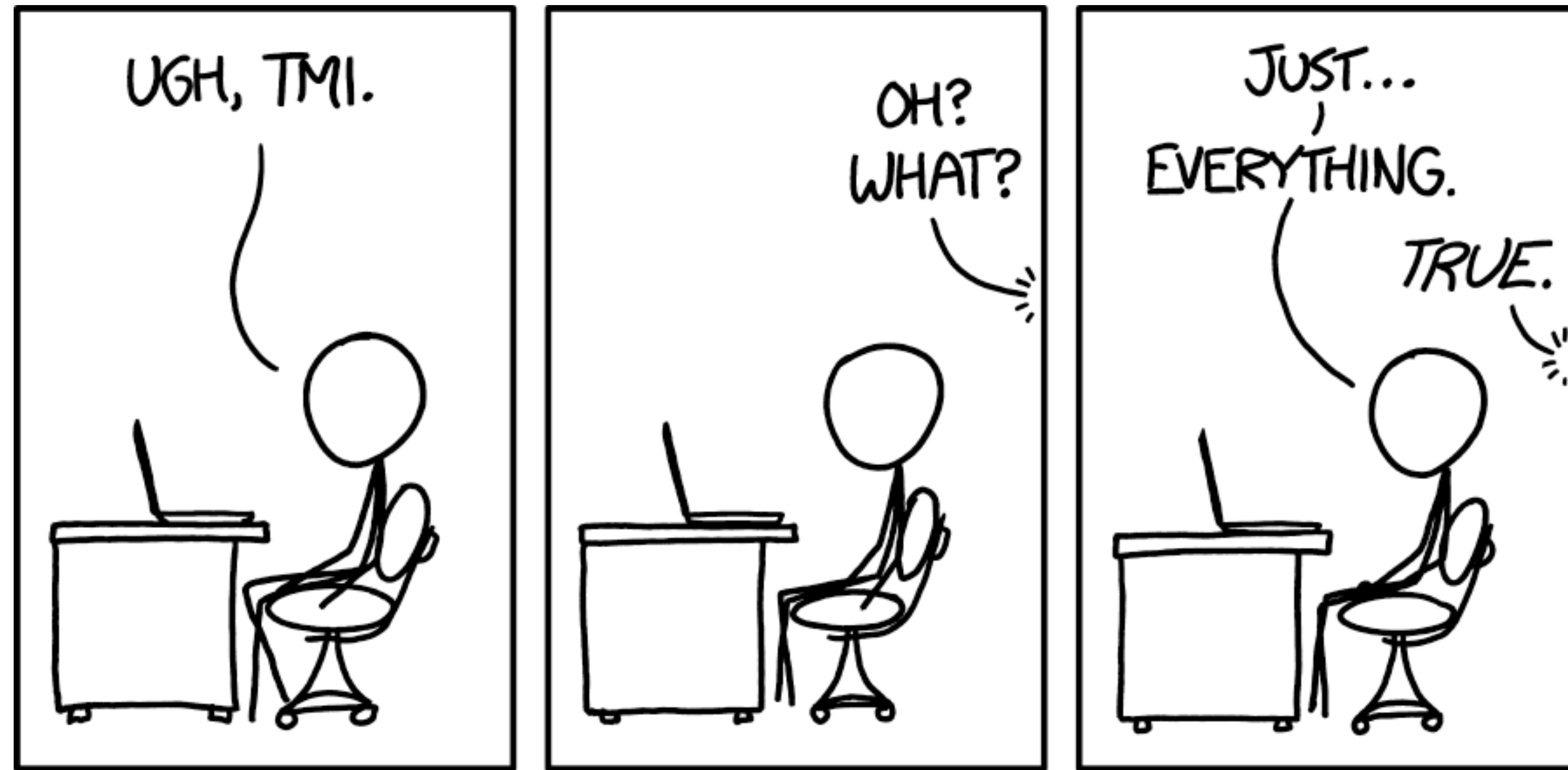


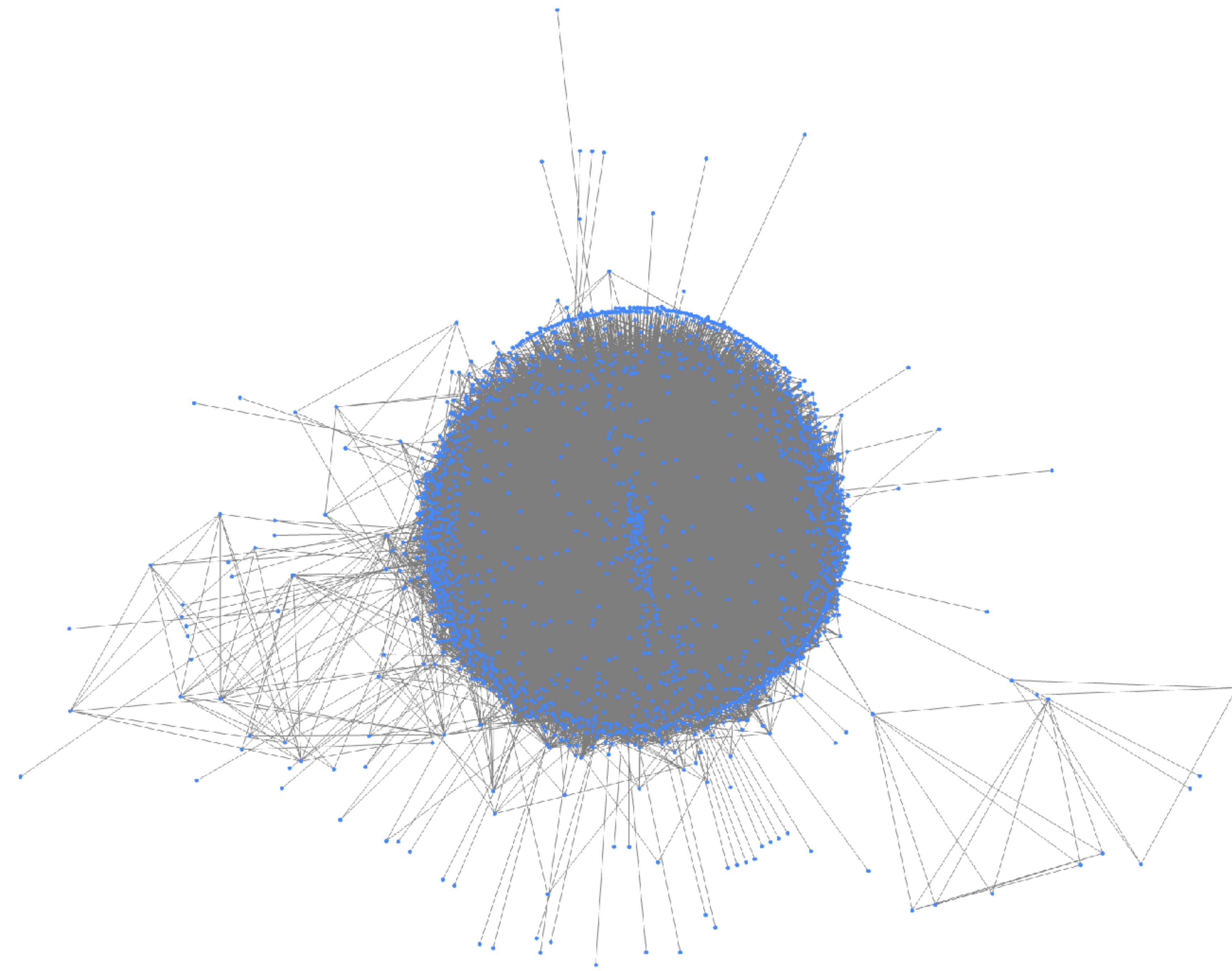
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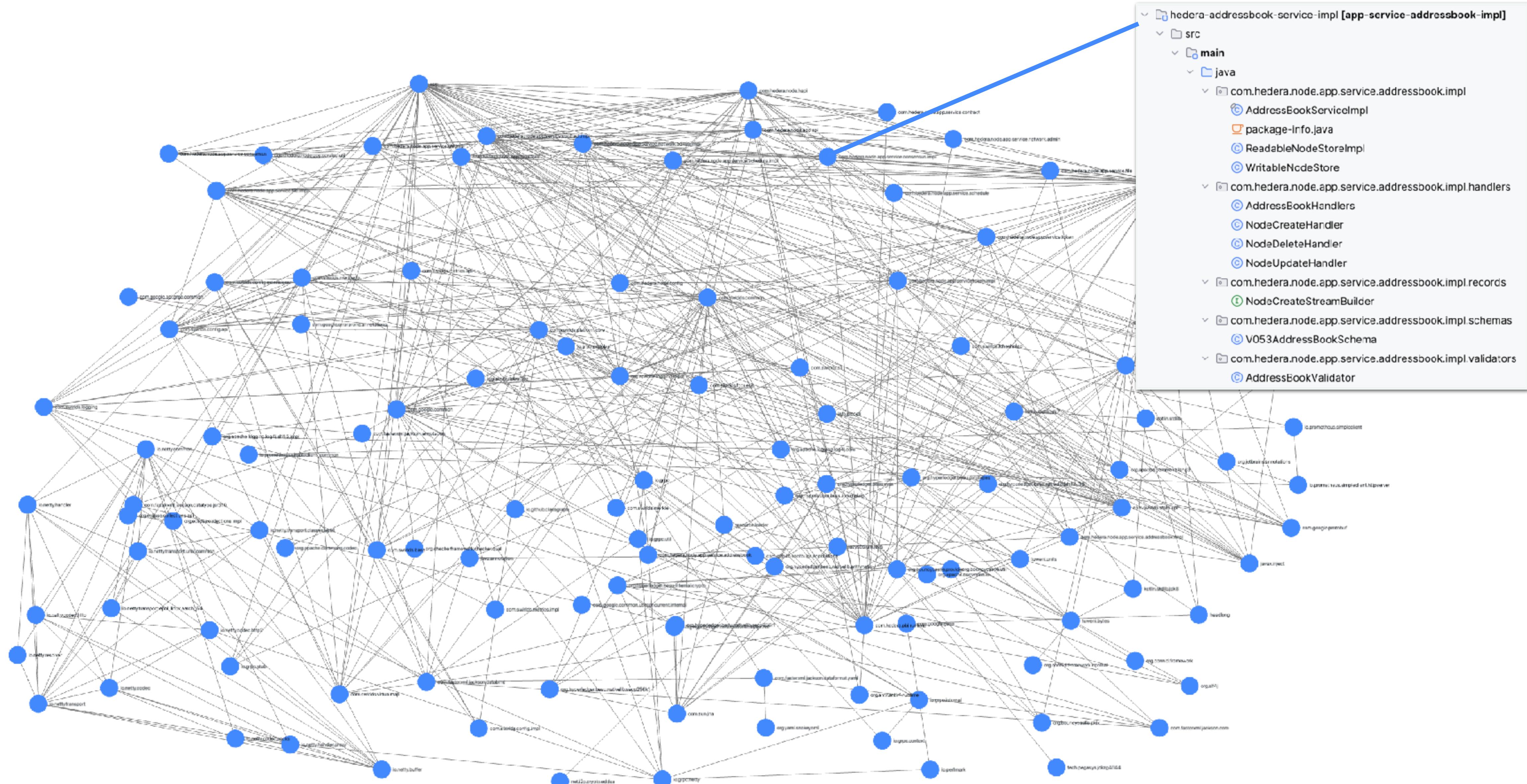
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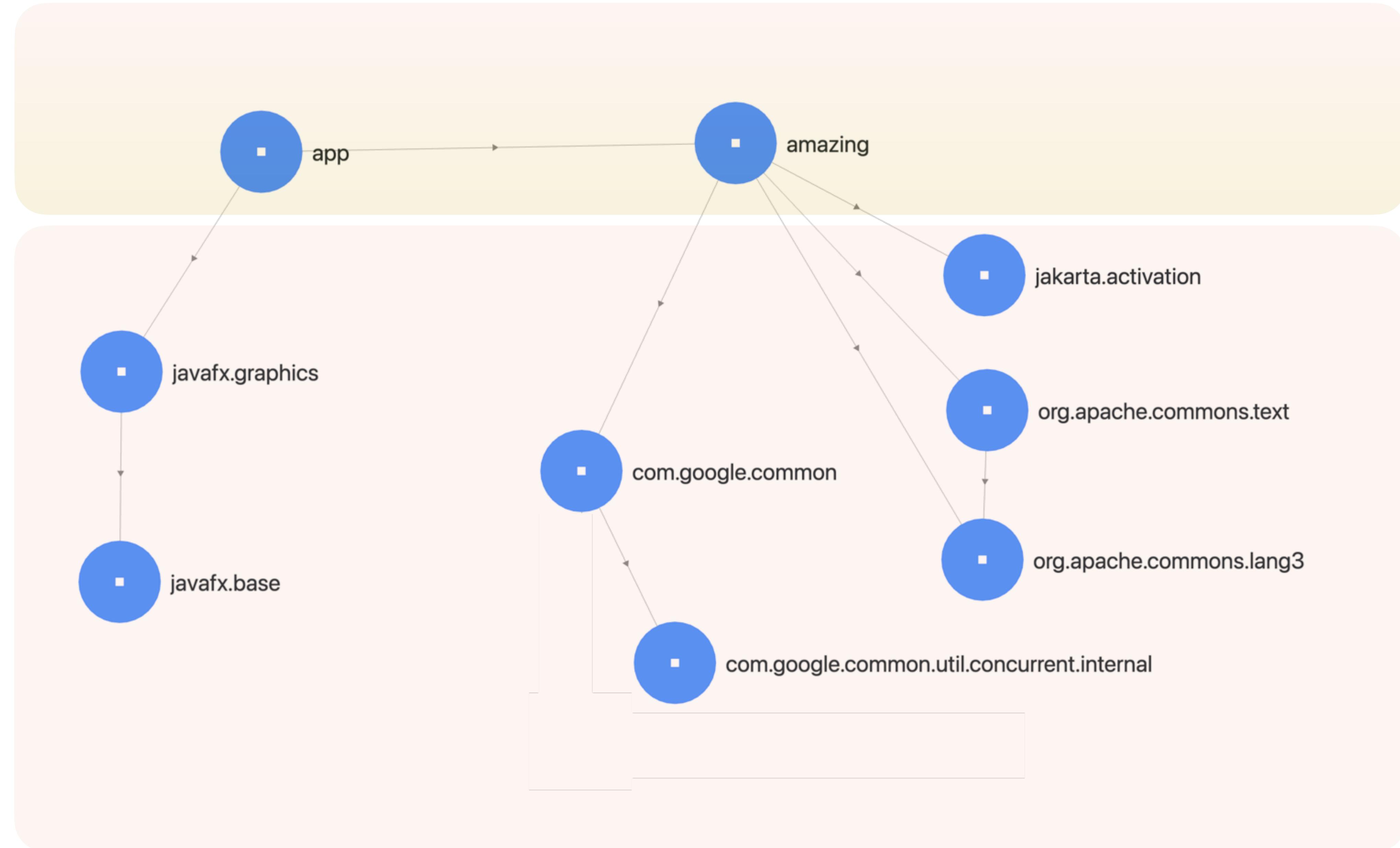


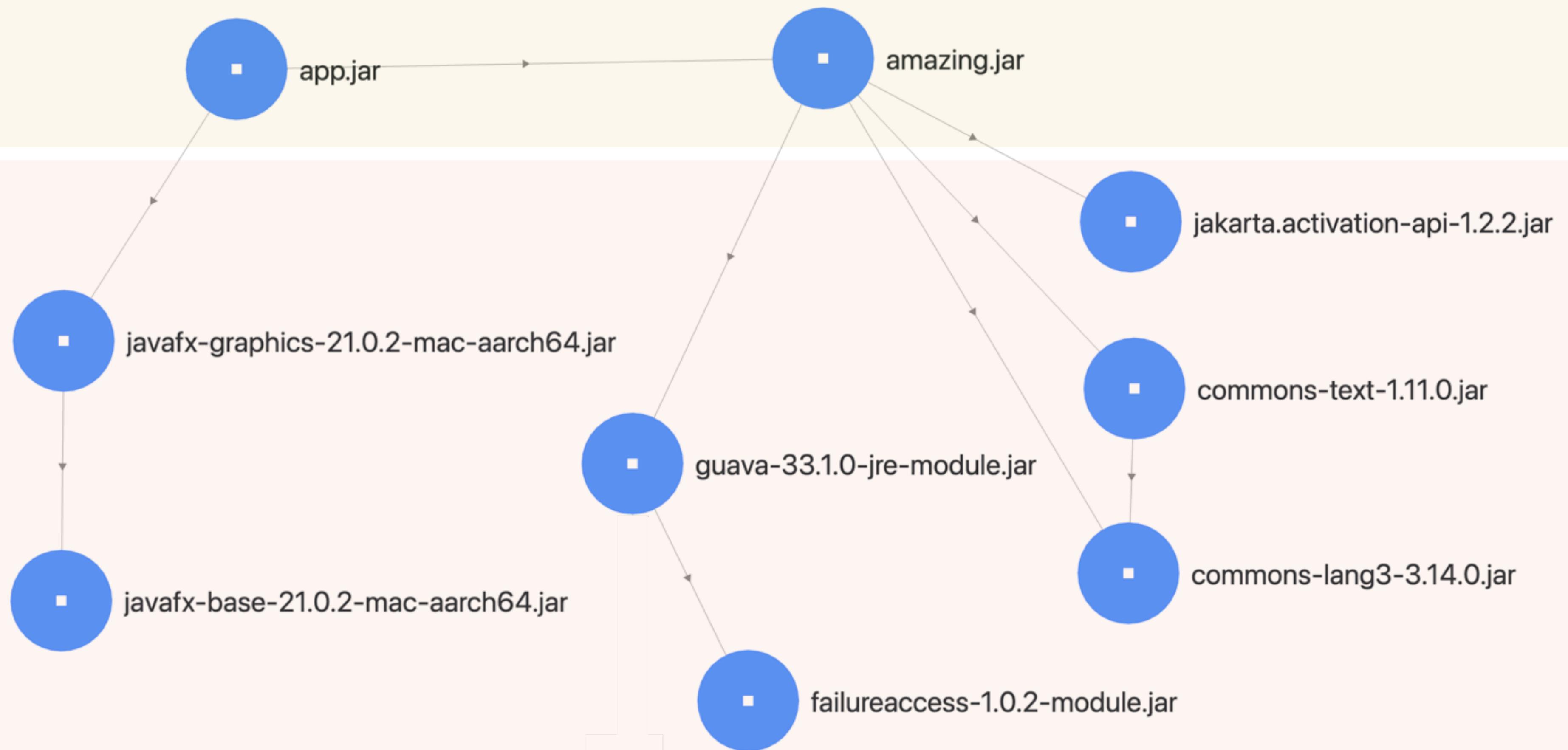
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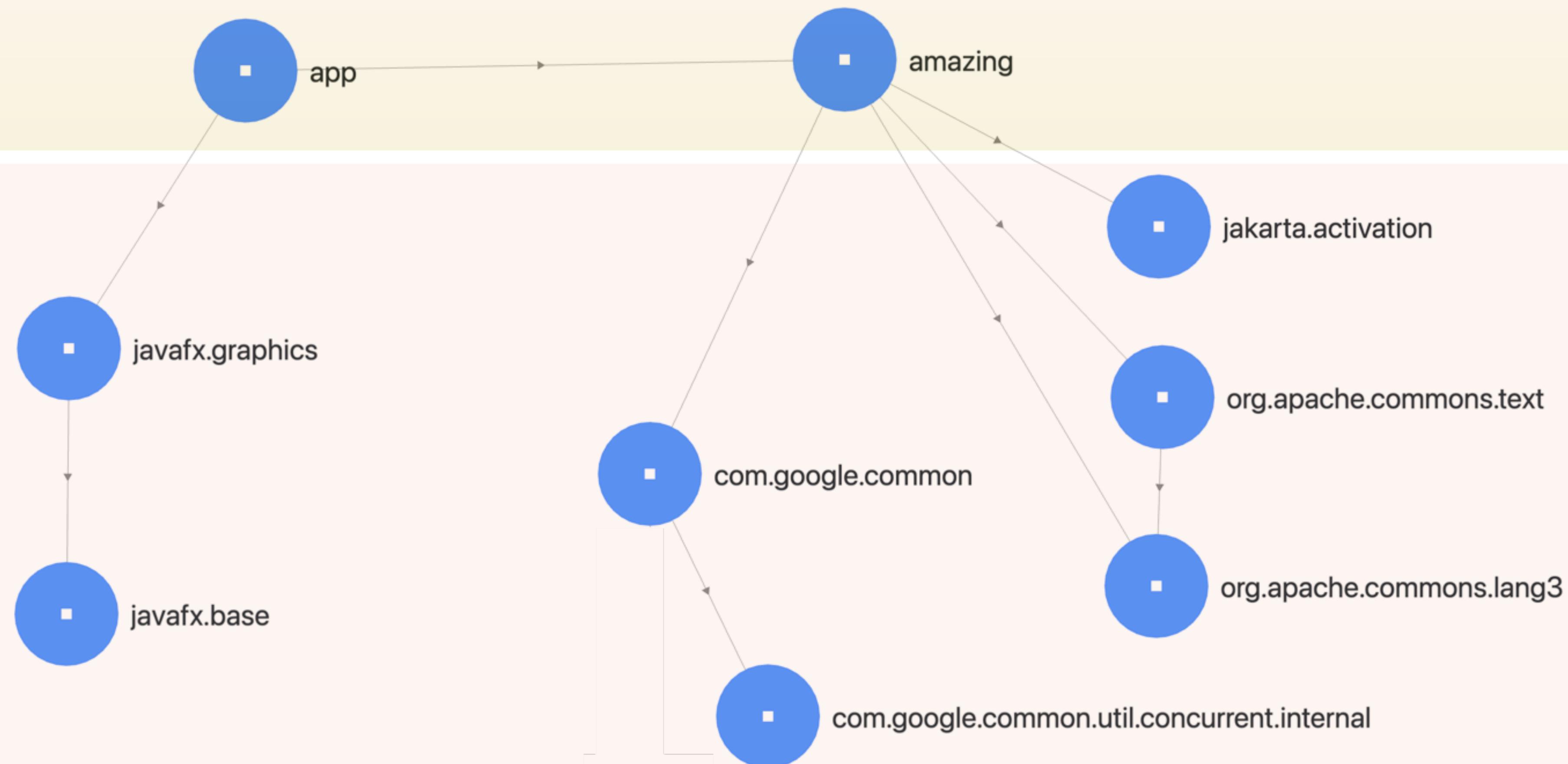
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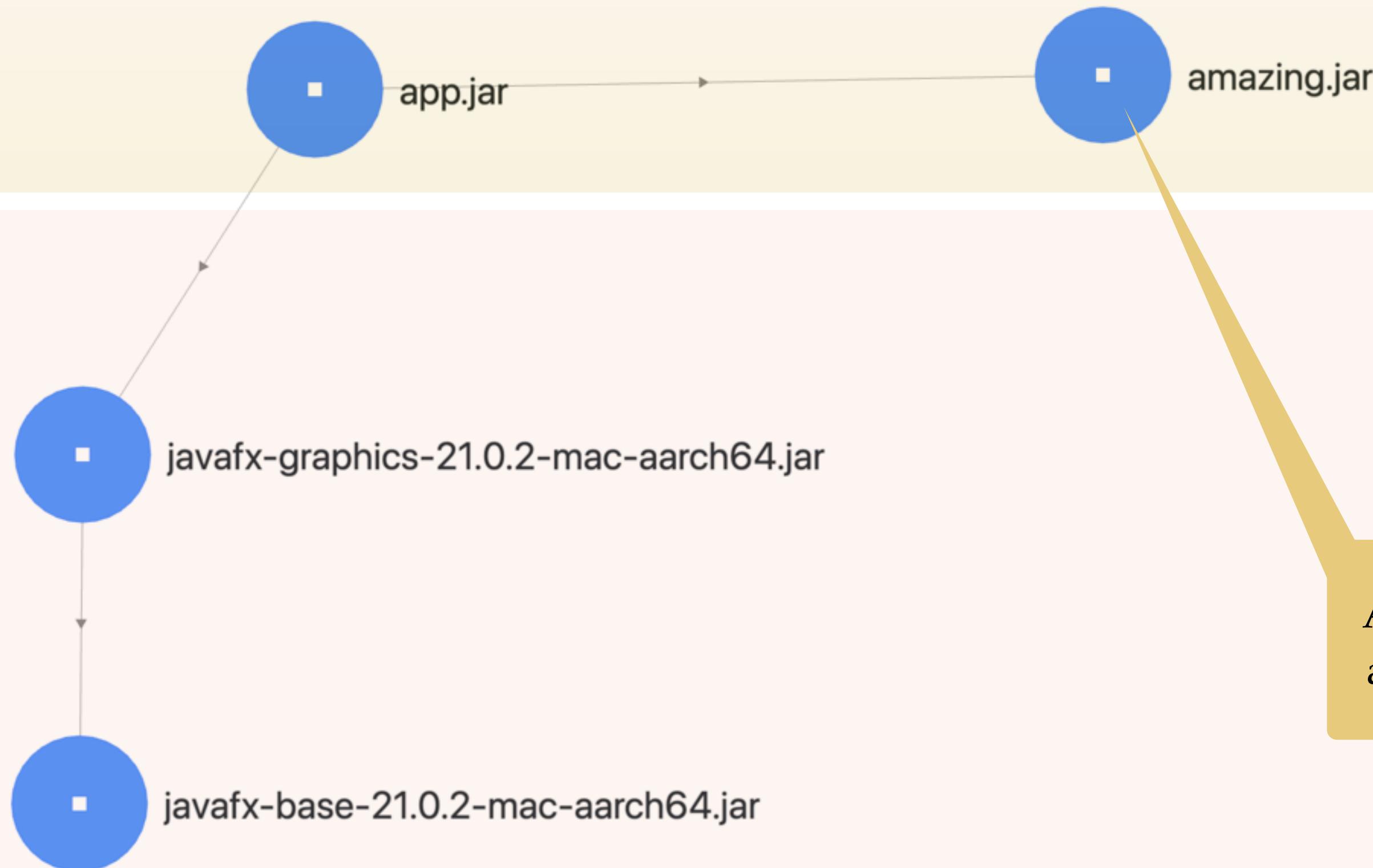
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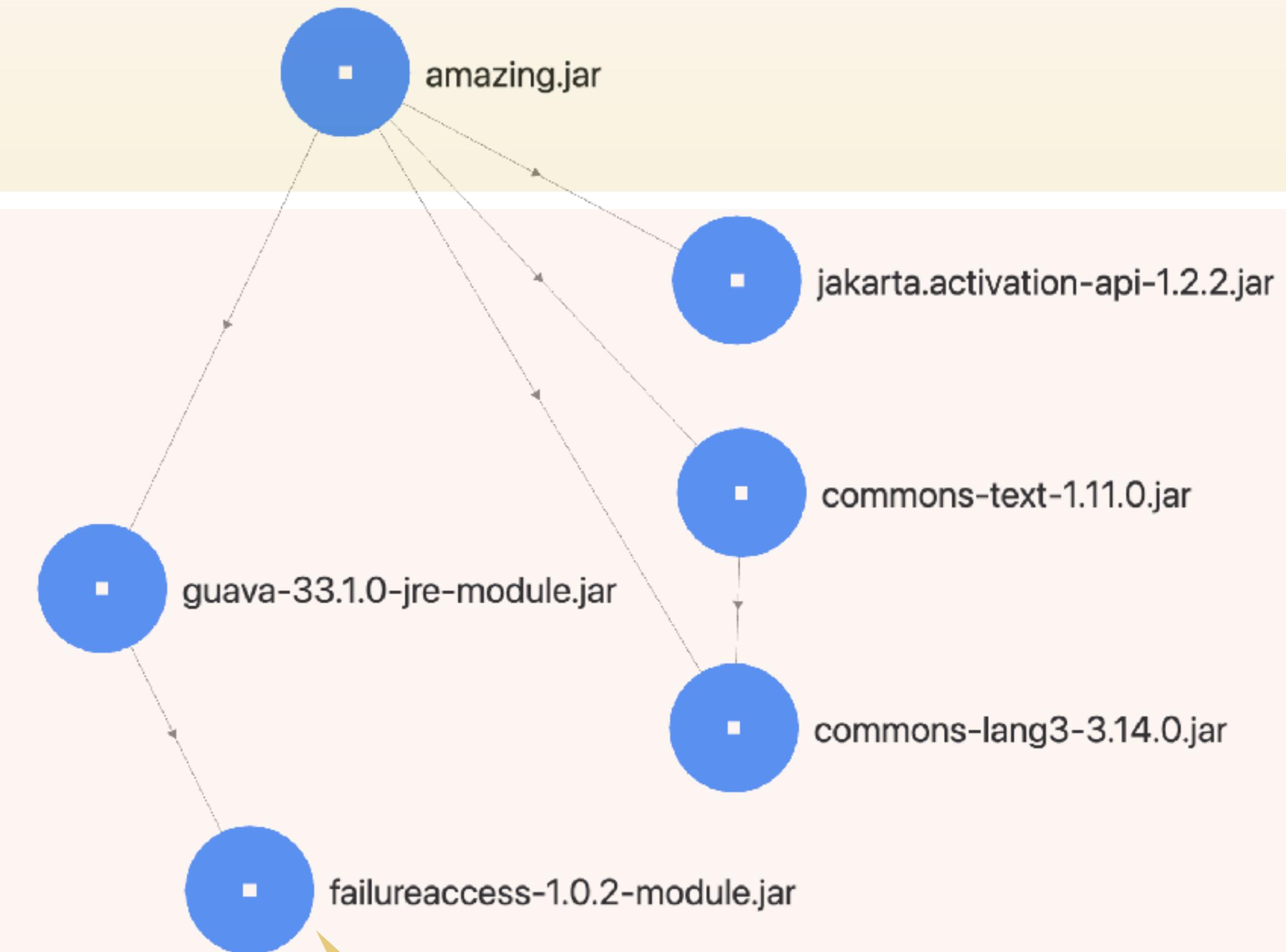
### Scopes are important



All 3rd party dependencies  
are implementation details

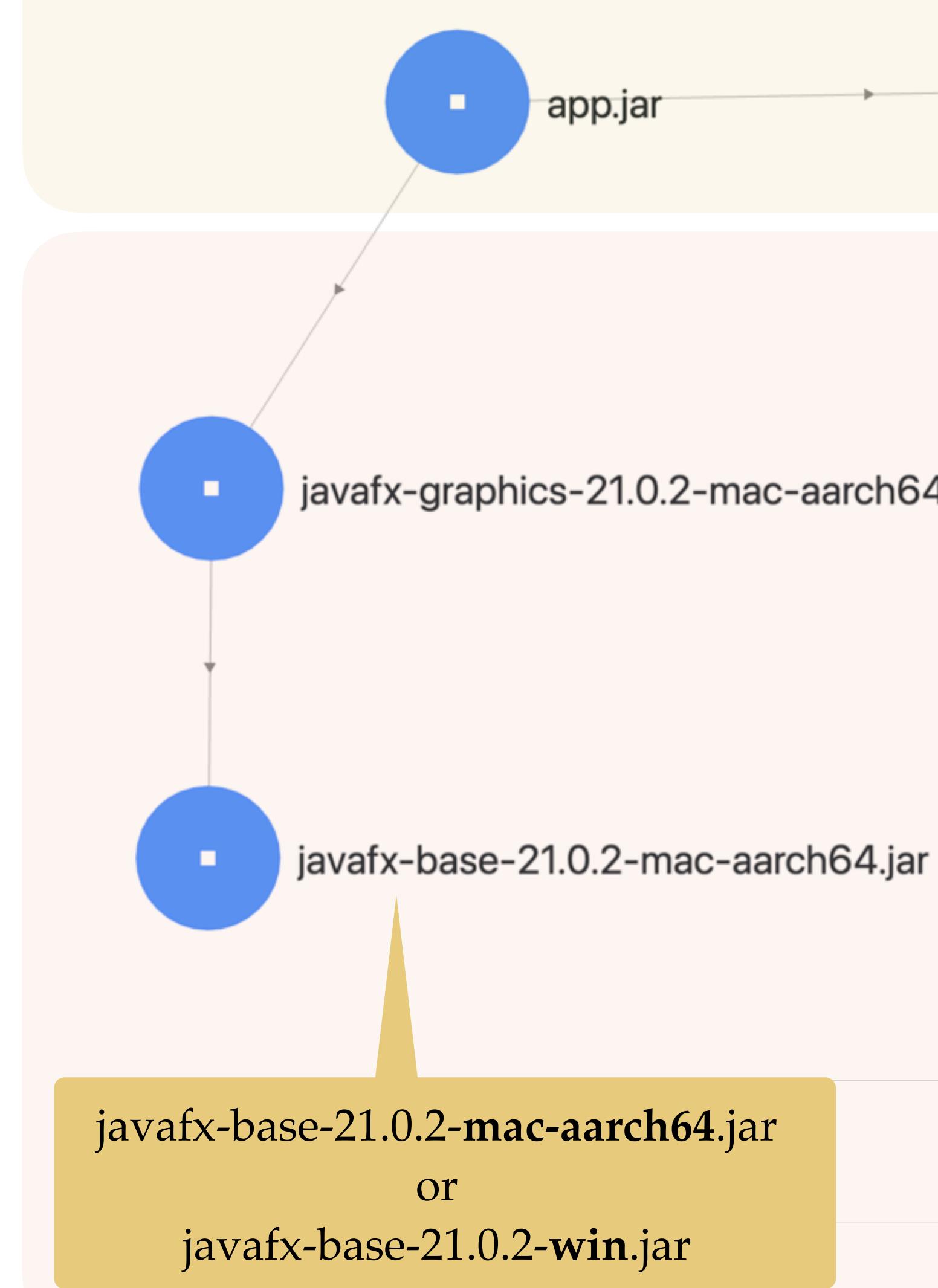
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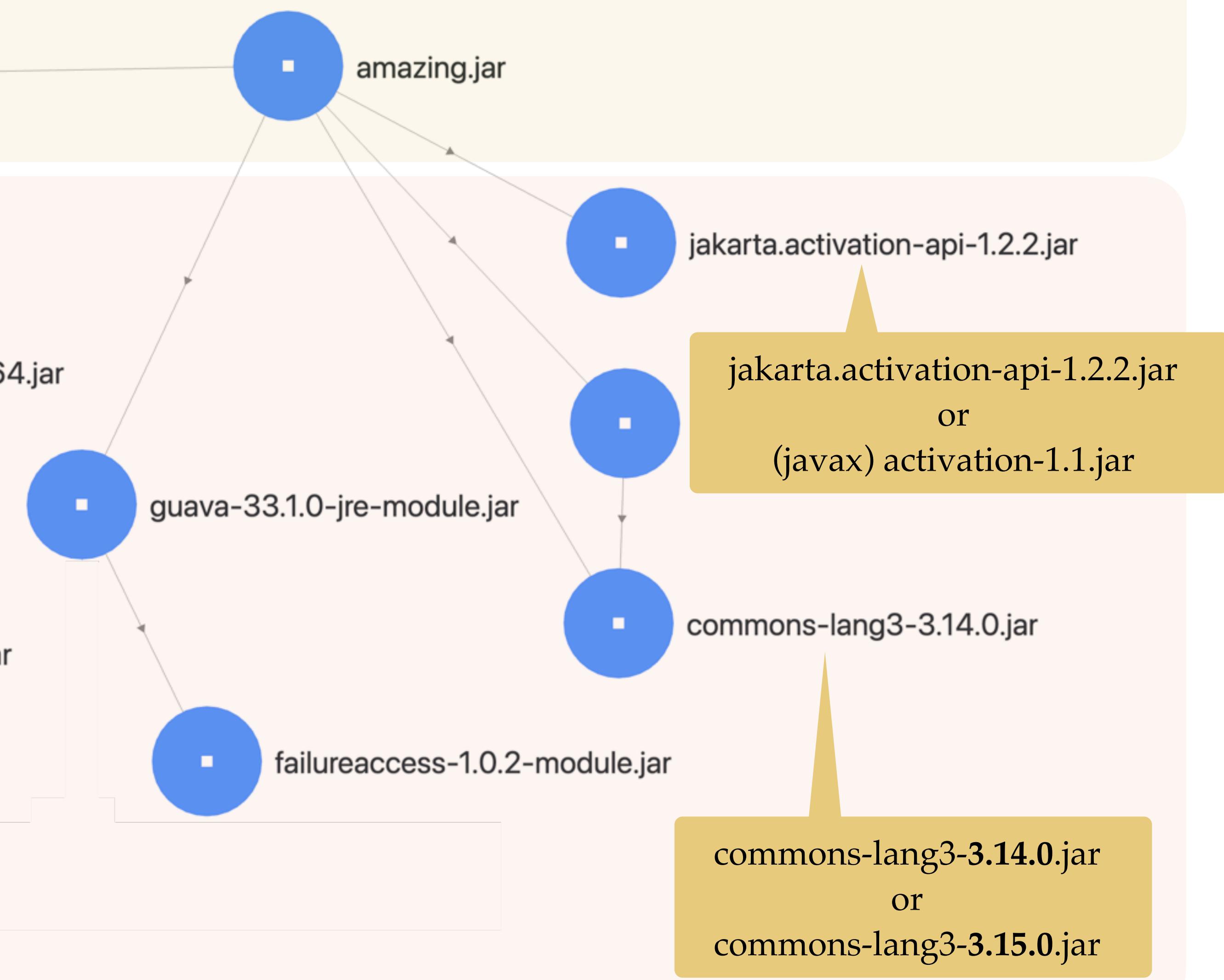


Should this be  
visible?

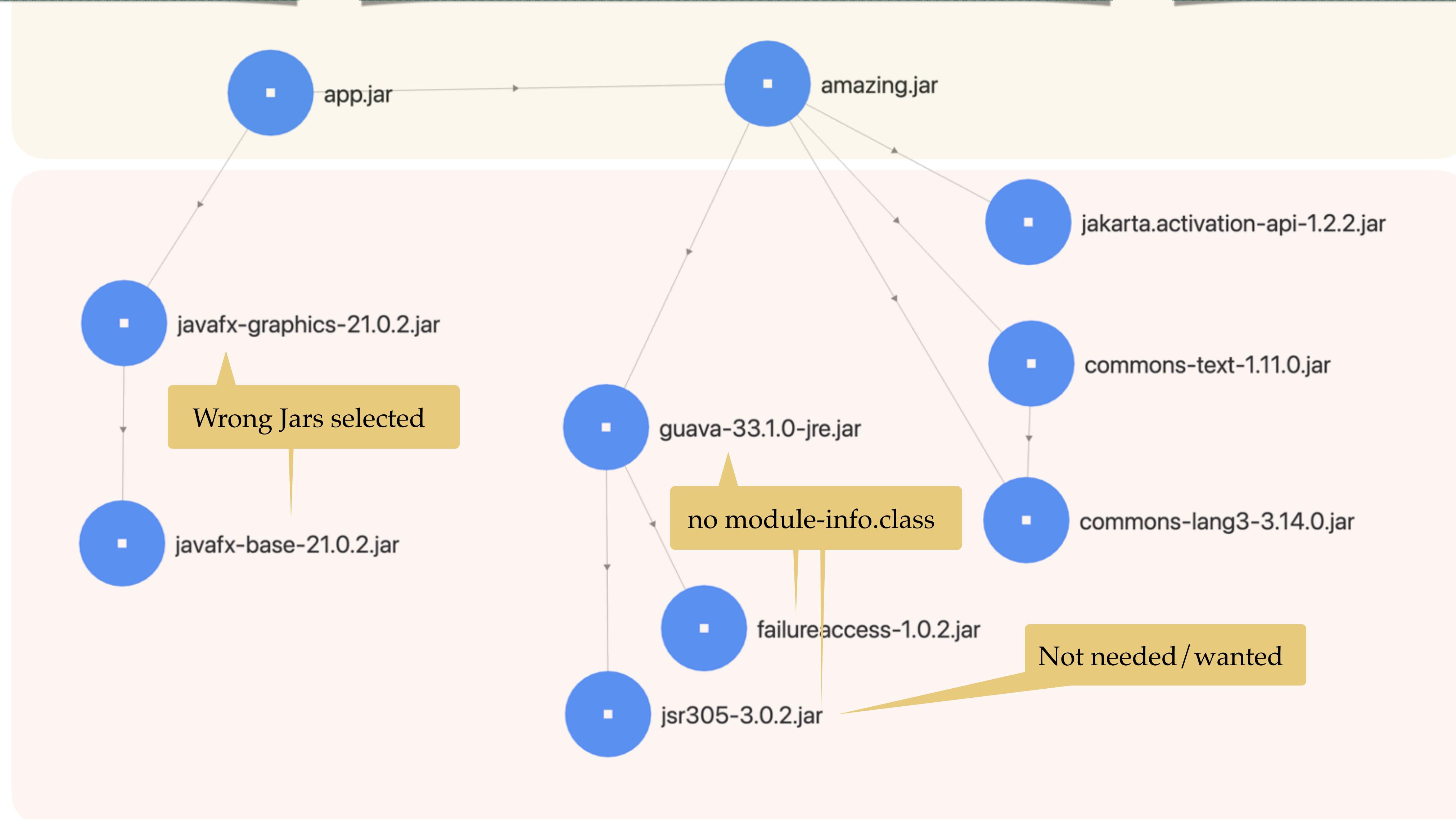
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## "Essential" Complexity #3 The world is **not** perfect

## Part 2

Accidental Complexity  
introduced through  
**insufficient Tooling and Knowledge**

[github.com/hibernate/hibernate-orm/blob/main/hibernate-core/hibernate-core.gradle](https://github.com/hibernate/hibernate-orm/blob/main/hibernate-core/hibernate-core.gradle)

~300 Lines total

~20 Lines Module Definition

```
29
30   <dependencies>
31
32     <dependency>
33       <groupId>org.slf4j</groupId>
34       <artifactId>slf4j-api</artifactId>
35     </dependency>
36
37     <dependency>
38       <groupId>org.apache.hadoop</groupId>
39       <artifactId>hadoop-auth</artifactId>
40     </dependency>
41
42     <dependency>
43       <groupId>org.apache.hadoop</groupId>
44       <artifactId>hadoop-annotations</artifactId>
45     </dependency>
46
```

```
29
30   dependencies {
31     api jakartaLibs.jpa
32     api jakartaLibs.jta
33
34     implementation libs.hcann
35     implementation libs.jandex
36     implementation libs.classmate
37     implementation libs.byteBuddy
38
39     implementation jakartaLibs.jaxbApi
40     implementation jakartaLibs.jaxb
41     implementation jakartaLibs.inject
42
43     implementation libs.antlrRuntime
44
```

~300 Lines total  
~100 Line Module Definition

[github.com/apache/hadoop/blob/trunk/hadoop-common-project/hadoop-registry/pom.xml](https://github.com/apache/hadoop/blob/trunk/hadoop-common-project/hadoop-registry/pom.xml)

Accidental Complexity #0

Module definition mixed  
with other build concerns

Maven Repository: org.apache.commons » 1.12.0

mvnrepository.com/artifact/org.apache.commons/commons-text/1.12.0

Home » org.apache.commons » commons-text » 1.12.0

## Apache Commons Text » 1.12.0

The Commons Text library provides additions to the standard JDK text handling. It includes algorithms for string similarity and for calculating the distance between strings.

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Categories	String Utilities
Tags	text   string   apache   commons
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Used By	<a href="#">3,599 artifacts</a>

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```
<dependency>
    <groupId>org.apache.commons</groupId>
    <artifactId>commons-text</artifactId>
    <version>1.12.0</version>
</dependency>
```

Scope?

Accidental Complexity #0

Module definition mixed  
with other build concerns

Accidental Complexity #1

Scopes  
not cared about (enough)

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```
implementation("org.apache.commons:commons-text:1.12.0")
```

api? runtimeOnly?

Accidental Complexity #0  
Module definition mixed  
with other build concerns

Accidental Complexity #1  
Scopes  
not cared about (enough)

repo1.maven.org/maven2/org/openjfx/javafx-graphics/21.0.2/

```
org/openjfx/javafx-graphics/21.0.2/
  └── javafx-graphics-21.0.2.pom
  └── javafx-graphics-21.0.2.module
  └── javafx-graphics-21.0.2.jar
  └── javafx-graphics-21.0.2-linux.jar
      └── module-info.class
  └── javafx-graphics-21.0.2-mac.jar
      └── module-info.class
  └── javafx-graphics-21.0.2-win.jar
      └── module-info.class
```

No rich metadata beyond  
POM 4.0.0



Empty Jar to get Maven to do  
a OS-based selection  
-> such hacks shouldn't be needed  
-> does not work for Gradle



Java Module Descriptor  
(Java Module System / JPMS)  
“Java standard notation”



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Module definition mixed  
with other build concerns

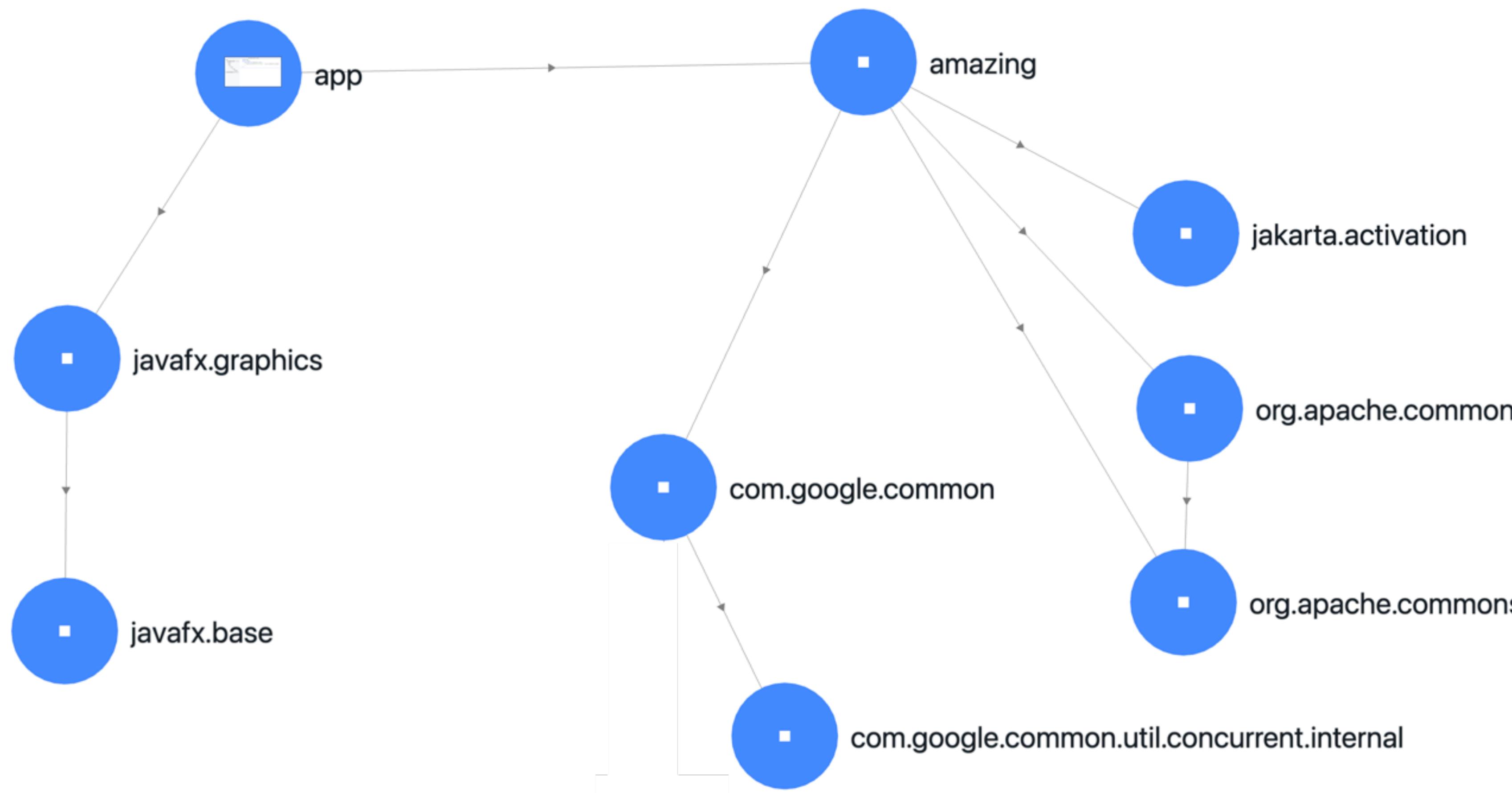
Accidental Complexity #1  
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Accidental Complexity #2  
Multiple Version/Variants  
not cared about (enough)

Accidental Complexity #3  
Metadata of 3rd party modules  
is incomplete or wrong

## Part 3

How to do  
Better?



## Essential Complexity #1

### Scopes are important

The screenshot shows a project structure for a Java module system. The root directory is 'java-module-system' containing a 'gradle' folder and a 'modules' folder. The 'modules' folder contains a sub-module named 'amazing' with a file 'java-module-system.amazing'. This module has a 'src' folder with a 'main' folder containing a 'java' folder and a file 'amazing'. Below the 'amazing' module is another 'build.gradle.kts' file. In the 'modules' folder, there is also an 'app' folder containing a 'src' folder with a 'main' folder containing a 'java' folder and a file 'app'. This 'app' module also has its own 'build.gradle.kts' file. At the bottom of the list is a 'settings.gradle.kts' file.

- java-module-system ~/projects/gradle/h...
- > gradle
- < modules
  - amazing [java-module-system.amazing]
    - src
      - main
        - java
      - amazing
  - build.gradle.kts
  - app [java-module-system.app]
    - src
      - main
        - java
      - app
  - build.gradle.kts
  - settings.gradle.kts

## java-module-system – build.gradle.kts (:amazing)

### build.gradle.kts (:amazing)

```
1 dependencies {  
2     implementation("com.google.guava:guava")  
3     implementation("org.apache.commons:commons-text")  
4 }  
5
```

### build.gradle.kts (:app)

```
1 dependencies {  
2     implementation(project(":amazing"))  
3     implementation("org.openjfx:javafx-graphics")  
4 }  
5
```



Module Definition

## java-module-system – compile-and-test.gradle.kts [plugins.main]

### Project

java-module-system ~/projects/gradle/howto/java-mod  
  gradle  
    plugins  
      src  
      main  
        kotlin  
          build-performance.settings.gradle.kts  
          **compile-and-test.gradle.kts**  
          dependency-analysis.gradle.kts  
          java-module.gradle.kts  
          metadata-patch.gradle.kts  
          module-locations.settings.gradle.kts  
          targets.gradle.kts  
        build.gradle.kts  
      versions [java-module-system.versions]  
        build.gradle.kts  
    modules  
    settings.gradle.kts

```
plugins {  
    id("java")  
    id("org.gradlex.java-module-testing")  
}  
  
java {  
    toolchain.languageVersion = JavaLanguageVersion.of(21)  
}  
  
tasks.withType<JavaCompile>().configureEach {  
    options.encoding = "UTF-8"  
}  
  
tasks.withType<Test>().configureEach {  
    maxParallelForks = 4  
    maxHeapSize = "1g"  
}
```



## Other Build Concerns



Project

java-module-system ~/projects/gradle/howto/

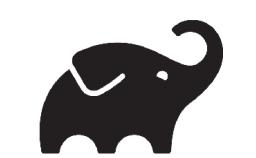
- gradle
- plugins
  - src
  - main
    - kotlin
      - build-performance.settings.gradle.kts
      - compile-and-test.gradle.kts
      - dependency-analysis.gradle.kts
      - java-module.gradle.kts
      - metadata-patch.gradle.kts
      - module-locations.settings.gradle.kts
      - targets.gradle.kts
    - build.gradle.kts
- versions [java-module-system.versions]
  - build.gradle.kts
- modules
- settings.gradle.kts

## Multiple Versions/Variants of 3rd party Modules

```
module("com.google.guava:guava") {
    removeDependency("com.google.code.findbugs:jsr305")
    removeDependency("org.checkerframework:checker-qual")
    removeDependency("com.google.errorprone:error_prone_annotations")
}

listOf("base", "graphics", "controls").forEach { jfxModule ->
    module("org.openjfx:javafx-$jfxModule") {
        addTargetPlatformVariant("linux", OperatingSystemFamily.LINUX)
        addTargetPlatformVariant("mac", OperatingSystemFamily.MACOS)
        addTargetPlatformVariant("mac-aarch64", OperatingSystemFamily.MACOS_ARM)
        addTargetPlatformVariant("win", OperatingSystemFamily.WINDOWS)
    }
}
```

“Essential” Complexity #3

The world is **not** perfect

Module Patching

## java-module-system – build.gradle.kts (:amazing)

### Project

```
java-module-system ~/projects/gradle/how-to  
  > gradle  
  < modules  
    < amazing [java-module-system.amazing]  
      < src  
        < main  
          < java  
            > amazing  
  
      build.gradle.kts  
      < app [java-module-system.app]  
        < src  
          < main  
            < java  
              > app  
        build.gradle.kts  
      settings.gradle.kts
```

### build.gradle.kts (:amazing)

```
1 dependencies {  
2     implementation("com.google.guava:guava")  
3     implementation("org.apache.commons:commons-text")  
4 }  
5
```

### build.gradle.kts (:app)

```
1 dependencies {  
2     implementation(project(":amazing"))  
3     implementation("org.openjfx:javafx-graphics")  
4 }  
5
```



Module Definition

## java-module-system – module-info.java (app)

### Project

```
java-module-system ~/projects/gradle/h...  
  > gradle  
  < modules  
    < amazing [java-module-system.amazi...  
      < src  
        < main  
          < java  
            > amazing  
              < module-info.java  
      < app [java-module-system.app]  
        < src  
          < main  
            < java  
              > app  
                < module-info.java  
  settings.gradle.kts
```

### module-info.java (amazing) ×

```
1 module amazing {  
2     requires com.google.common;  
3     requires org.apache.commons.text;  
4  
5     exports amazing;  
6 }
```

### module-info.java (app) ×

```
1 module app {  
2     requires amazing;  
3     requires javafx.graphics;  
4  
5     exports app;  
6 }
```



Module Definition

## java-module-system – module-info.java (app)

### Project

java-module-system ~/projects/gradle/hover...  
gradle  
modules  
amazing [java-module-system.amazing]  
src  
main

### module-info.java (amazing) ×

```
1 module amazing {  
2     requires com.google.common;  
3     requires transitive org.apache.commons.text;  
4     exports amazing;  
5 }  
6 }
```

### Run ...



java-module-system [checkAllModuleInfo] ...  
! java-module-system 2 sec, 664 ms  
! :amazing:checkModu 22 ms  
! /Users/jendrik/projects/gradle

java-module-system/modules/amazing/src/main/java/module-info.java

Please add the following requires directives:  
requires org.apache.commons.text;

Please remove the following requires directives  
requires transitive org.apache.commons.text;



Dependency Analysis

java-module-system – build.gradle.kts (:plugins)

Project

java-module-system ~/projects/gradle  
gradle  
plugins  
src  
build.gradle.kts  
versions [java-module-system]  
build.gradle.kts  
modules  
settings.gradle.kts

```
plugins {
    `kotlin-dsl`
}

repositories {
    gradlePluginPortal()
}

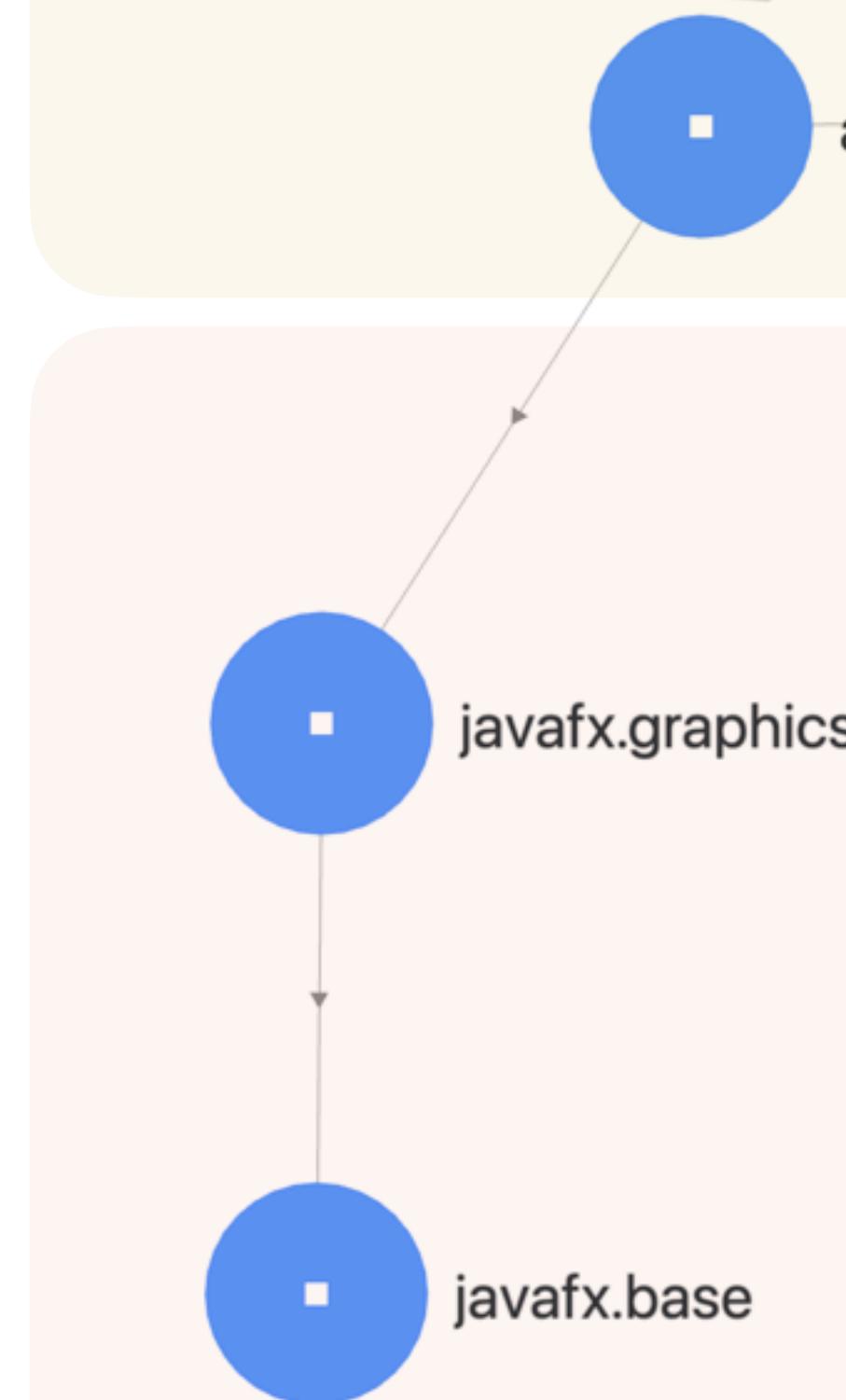
dependencies {
    implementation("com.autonomousapps:dependency-analysis-gradle-plugin:1.32.0")
    implementation("com.gradle:devvelocity-gradle-plugin:3.17.5")
    implementation("org.gradlex:extra-java-module-info:1.8")
    implementation("org.gradlex:java-module-dependencies:1.7")
    implementation("org.gradlex:java-module-packaging:0.1")
    implementation("org.gradlex:java-module-testing:1.4")
    implementation("org.gradlex:jvm-dependency-conflict-resolution:2.1.1")
}
```



Plugins for Module Management

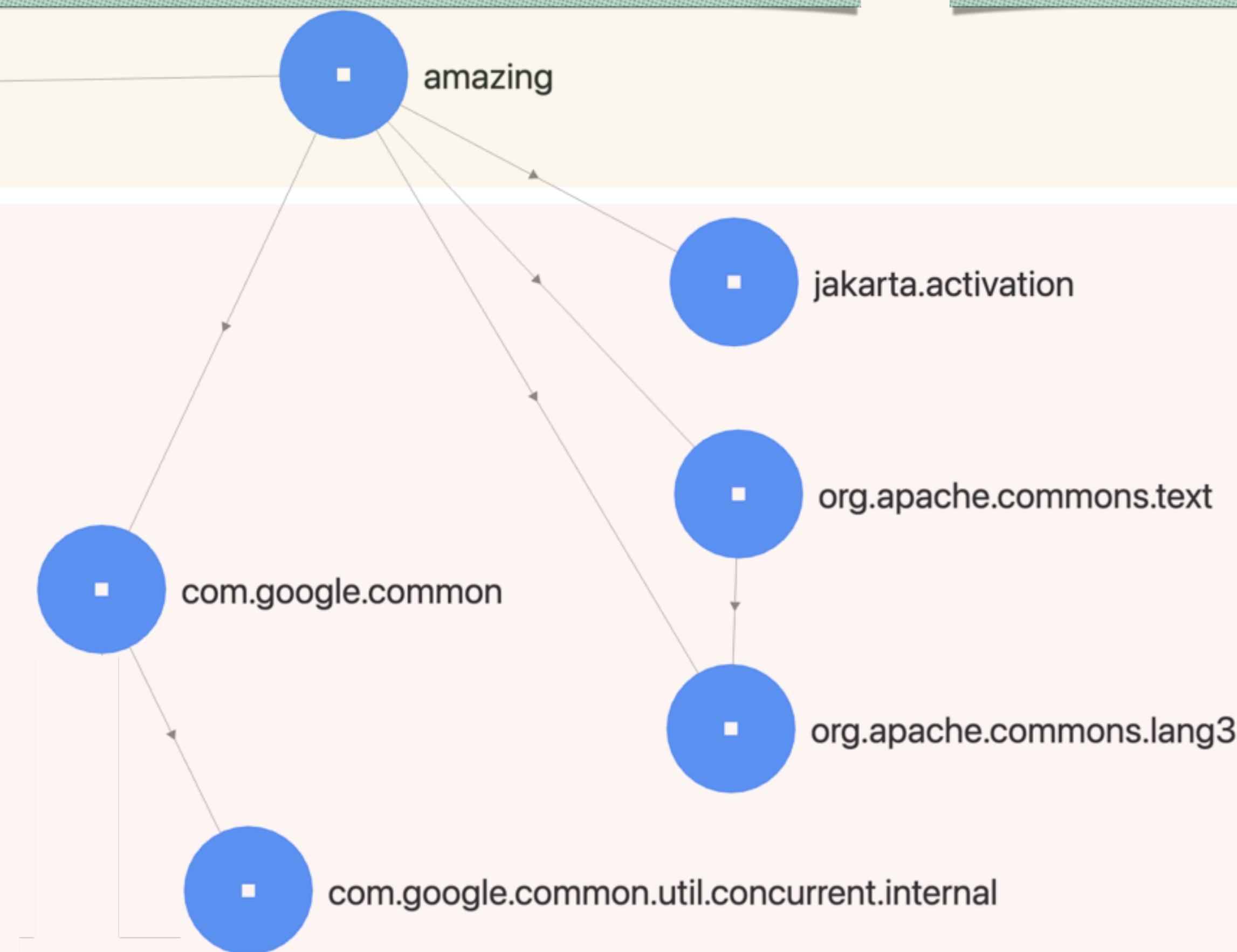
# Summary

## Essential Complexity #1 Scopes are important



Dedicated places for dependency definitions

## Essential Complexity #2 Multiple Versions/Variants of 3rd party Modules

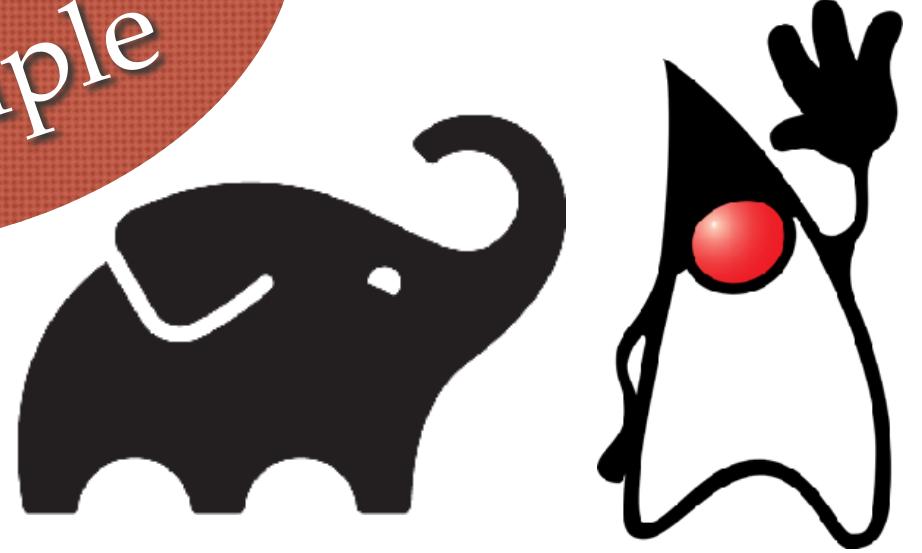


Variant-aware conflict detection and resolution (as provided in Gradle)

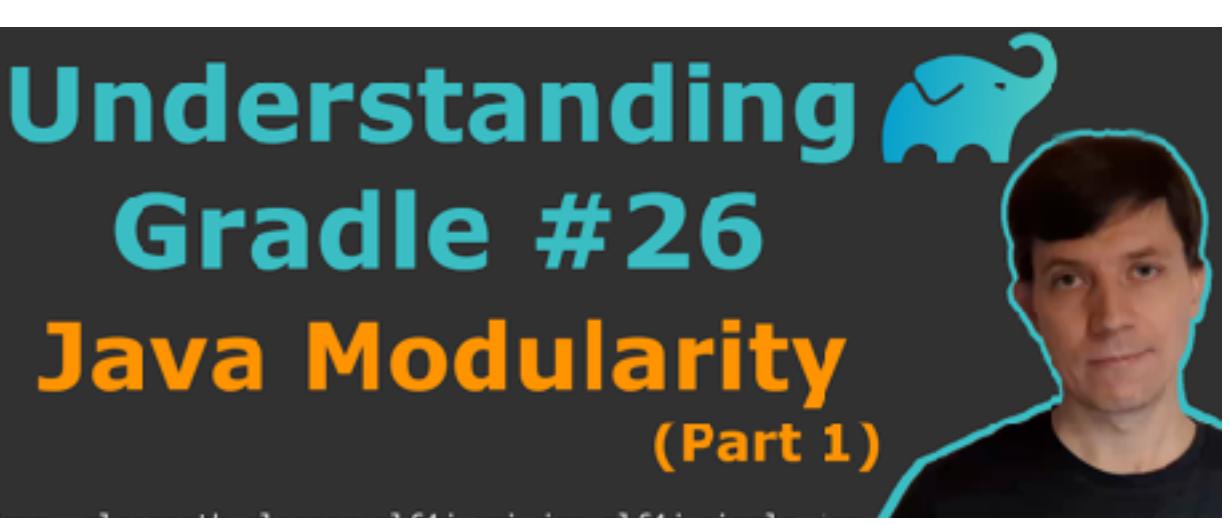
## “Essential” Complexity #3 The world is not perfect

Central patch file(s) to enrich and fix metadata

slides &  
sample



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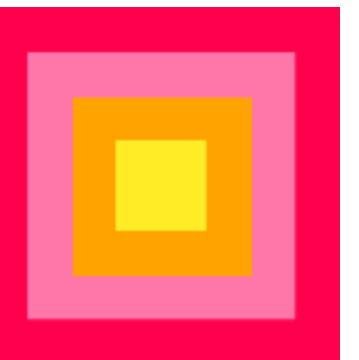


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