

# Code Smells

Below I describe the three “code smells” I found, as proposed.

## The first “code smell”: Shotgun surgery

```
public ComplexSearchQueryBuilder defaultFieldPhrase(String
defaultFieldPhrase) {
    if (Objects.requireNonNull(defaultFieldPhrase).isBlank()) {
        throw new IllegalArgumentException("Parameter must not be
blank");
    }
    // Strip all quotes before wrapping
    this.defaultFieldPhrases.add(String.format("\"%s\"",
defaultFieldPhrase.replace("\"", "")));
    return this;
}

/**
 * Adds author and wraps it in quotes
 */
public ComplexSearchQueryBuilder author(String author) {
    if (Objects.requireNonNull(author).isBlank()) {
        throw new IllegalArgumentException("Parameter must not be
blank");
    }
    // Strip all quotes before wrapping
    this.authors.add(String.format("\"%s\"", author.replace("\"",
"")));
    return this;
}

/**
 * Adds title phrase and wraps it in quotes
 */
public ComplexSearchQueryBuilder titlePhrase(String titlePhrase) {
    if (Objects.requireNonNull(titlePhrase).isBlank()) {
        throw new IllegalArgumentException("Parameter must not be
blank");
    }
    // Strip all quotes before wrapping
    this.titlePhrases.add(String.format("\"%s\"",
titlePhrase.replace("\"", "")));
    return this;
}

/**
 * Adds abstract phrase and wraps it in quotes
 */
public ComplexSearchQueryBuilder abstractPhrase(String abstractPhrase)
{
    if (Objects.requireNonNull(abstractPhrase).isBlank()) {
        throw new IllegalArgumentException("Parameter must not be
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blank");
    }
    // Strip all quotes before wrapping
    this.titlePhrases.add(String.format("\"%s\"",
abstractPhrase.replace("\"", "")));
    return this;
}

```

This long parameter list can be found in **jabref > logic > importer > fetcher > transformers > ComplexSearchQuery**.

In this case, there are blocks of code very similar, present in many places of the code. A new method, containing the recurrent code that deals with the small changes between blocks to prevent such repetition, is recommended. Another observation would be creating a new constant containing the phrase "Parameter must not be blank".

```

if (Objects.requireNonNull(abstractPhrase).isBlank()) {
    throw new IllegalArgumentException("Parameter must not be blank");
}

```

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## The second “code smell”: long parameter list

```

private ComplexSearchQuery(List<String> defaultField, List<String>
authors, List<String> titlePhrases, List<String> abstractPhrases,
Integer fromYear, Integer toYear, Integer singleYear, String journal,
String doi) {
    this.defaultField = defaultField;
    this.authors = authors;
    this.titlePhrases = titlePhrases;
    this.abstractPhrases = abstractPhrases;
    this.fromYear = fromYear;
    // Some APIs do not support, or not fully support, year based
search. In these cases, the non applicable parameters are ignored.
    this.toYear = toYear;
    this.journal = journal;
    this.singleYear = singleYear;
    this.doi = doi;
}

```

This long parameter list can be found in **jabref > logic > importer > fetcher > transformers > ComplexSearchQuery**.

Here, the method has nine parameters which I believe is too much. The following parameters seem to be related and could be stored in a specific object - Integer fromYear, Integer toYear, and Integer singleYear.

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### The third “code smell”: long method

```
@Override
public Optional<BibEntry> performSearchById(String identifier) throws
FetcherException {
    Optional<DOI> doi = DOI.parse(identifier);

    try {
        if (doi.isPresent()) {
            Optional<BibEntry> fetchedEntry;

            // mEDRA does not return a parsable bibtex string
            if (getAgency(doi.get()).isPresent() &&
"medra".equalsIgnoreCase(getAgency(doi.get()).get())) {
                return new Medra().performSearchById(identifier);
            }
            URL doiURL = new URL(doi.get().getURIAsASCIIString());

            // BibTeX data
            URLDownload download = getUrlDownload(doiURL);
            download.addHeader("Accept",
MediaTypes.APPLICATION_BIBTEX);
            String bibtexString;
            try {
                bibtexString = download.asString();
            } catch (IOException e) {
                // an IOException will be thrown if download is unable
to download from the doiURL
                throw new FetcherException(Localization.lang("No DOI
data exists"), e);
            }

            // BibTeX entry
            fetchedEntry = BibtexParser.singleFromString(bibtexString,
preferences, new DummyFileUpdateMonitor());
            fetchedEntry.ifPresent(this::doPostCleanup);

            // Check if the entry is an APS journal and add the
article id as the page count if page field is missing
            if (fetchedEntry.isPresent() &&
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        fetchedEntry.get().hasField(StandardField.DOI)) {
            BibEntry entry = fetchedEntry.get();
            if (isAPSJournal(entry,
entry.getField(StandardField.DOI).get()) &&
!entry.hasField(StandardField.PAGES)) {
                setPageCountToArticleId(entry,
entry.getField(StandardField.DOI).get());
            }
        }

        return fetchedEntry;
    } else {
        throw new FetcherException(Localization.lang("Invalid DOI:
'%0'.", identifier));
    }
} catch (IOException e) {
    throw new FetcherException(Localization.lang("Connection
error"), e);
} catch (ParseException e) {
    throw new FetcherException("Could not parse BibTeX entry", e);
} catch (JSONException e) {
    throw new FetcherException("Could not retrieve Registration
Agency", e);
}
}

```

This long method can be found in **jabref > logic > importer > fetcher > transformers > DoiFetcher**.

The method above is hard to read. It could be divided into more methods to reduce its complexity and allow a clearer way to analyze it. One suggestion would be extracting the following block and inserting it into a new method to improve the general method's readability:

```

try {
    bibtexString = download.asString();
} catch (IOException e) {
    // an IOException will be thrown if download is unable to download
    from the doiURL
    throw new FetcherException(Localization.lang("No DOI data
exists"), e);
}

```