



Pharo 9 Status

Pharo Consortium General Assembly

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Original Roadmap for Pharo 9

- Headless VM
- FFI improvements
- Spec 2: Morphic & GTK Backend
- Sista Bytecodes w/ Full Block Closures
- Memory Management Configuration
- Integration with Windows
- Tools migration (with improvements)
 - Debugger
 - Inspector
 - Playground
- Clean-ups / Bugfixes / Improvements



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Now in stabilisation!!!



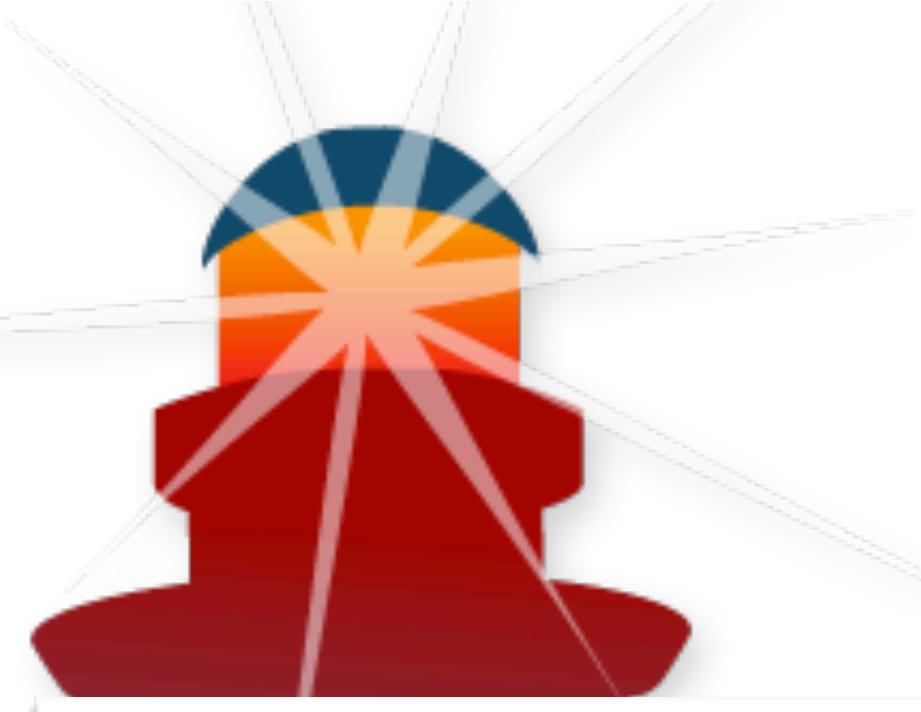
Pharo VM Status



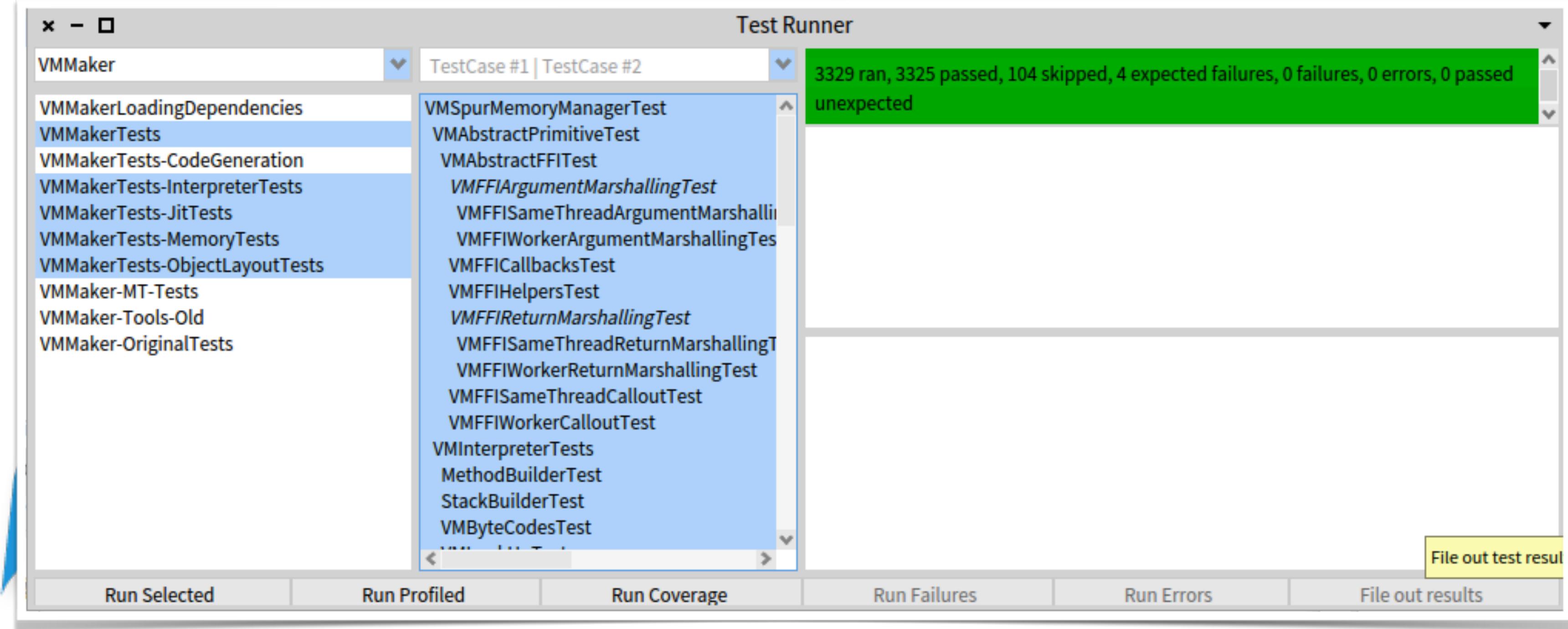
VM Status

General Improvements

- Event Management
 - Idle VM (less CPU consumption)
 - Passing event handling to the image (SDL/GTK/Other backends)
 - Improved Socket handling (removing remaining polling code)
- Foreign Function Interface
 - Threaded FFI backend for UFFI
 - Different running strategies (Worker / Same Thread / Main Thread)
 - Struct and Memory Access implemented as Machine Code primitives
 - Speed improvements in marshalling and callouts / callbacks.
 - Using LibFFI as backend (portability / robustness)
 - Variadic Function Support



Testing VM Tests

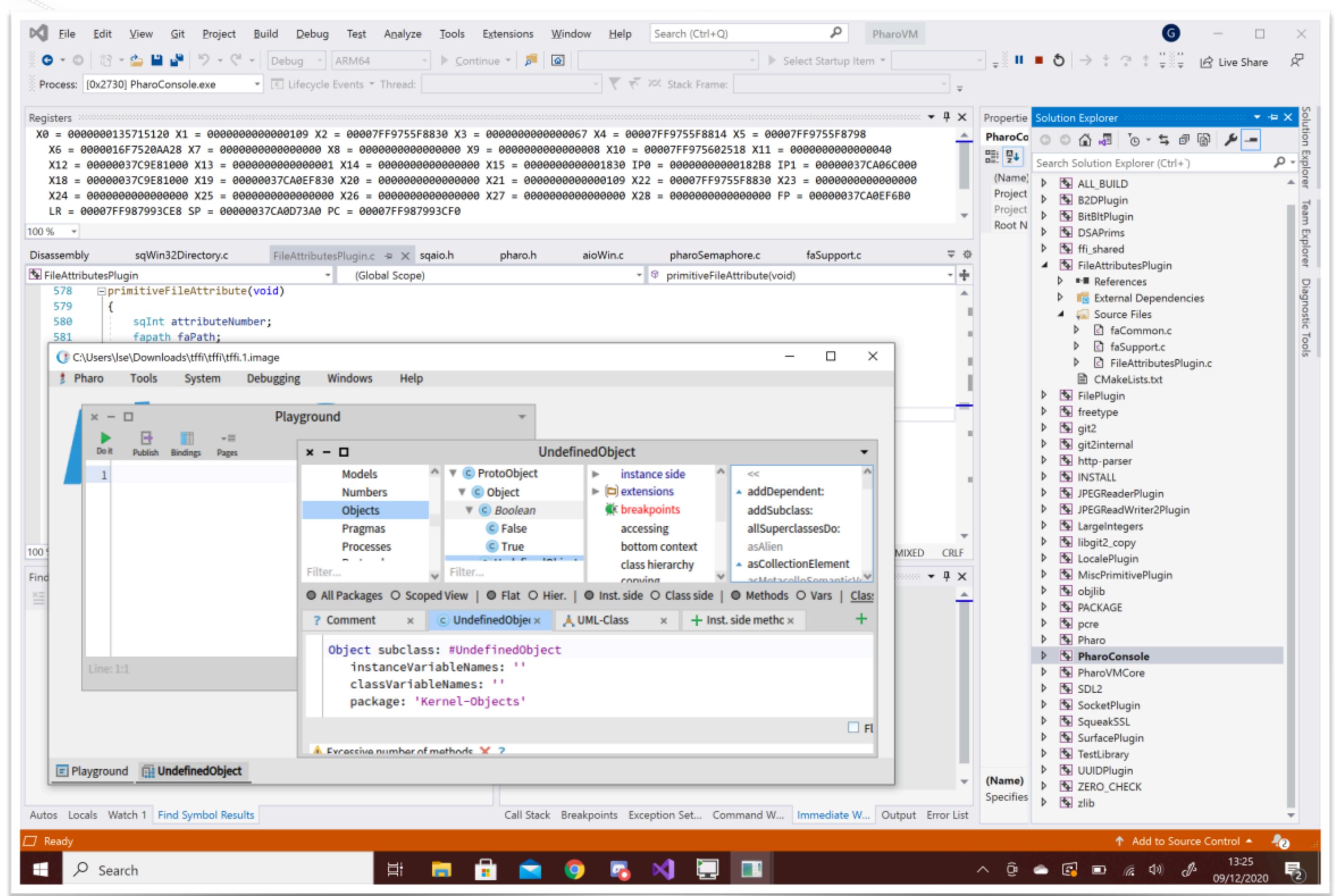


- FFI
- Interpreter
- JIT
- Memory Model
- Code Translation
- Machine Code generation
- ...



Visual Studio Support

Building & Debugging



MSVC - No cygwin

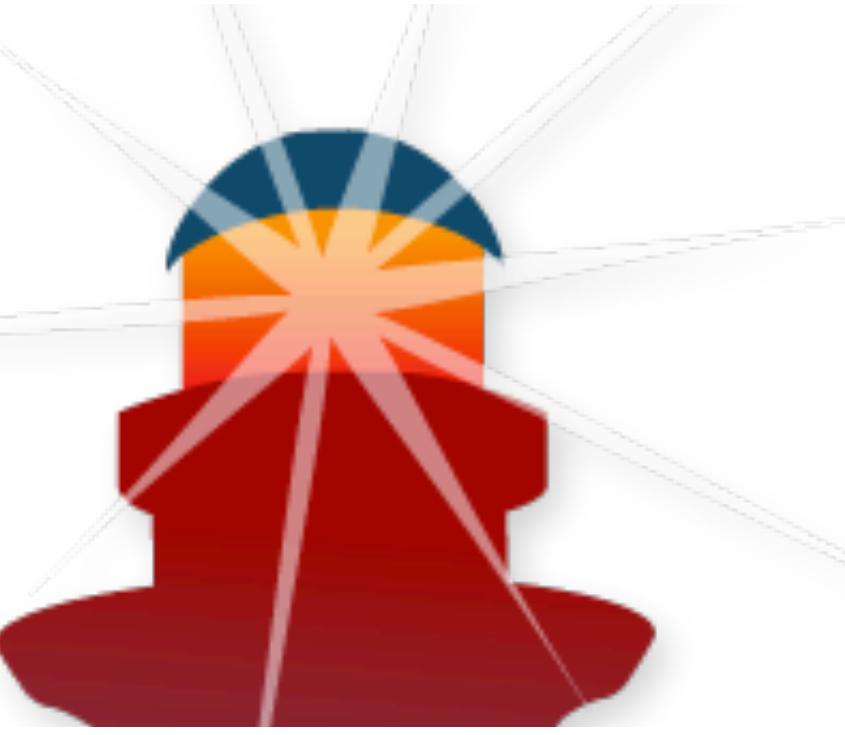
Support for Debugging
& Tooling



Build process improvements

Simple VM Building

- Better integration with System libraries
- Better integration with IDEs (Visual Studio / Eclipse / Xcode)
- Better support for compiler toolchains (gcc / clang / MSVC)
- Selectable Features at build time



Open Build Service

Better Support for Linux Distributions

	Arch	Debian_10	Debian_9.0	Debian_Testing	Fedora_31	Fedora_32	Fedora_33	Raspbian_10	Raspbian_9.0			
	↑↓	📦 x86_64↓	📦 x86_64↓	📦 x86_64↓	📦 x86_64 ↑↓	📦 x86_64↓	📦 x86_64↓	📦 x86_64↓	📦 aarch64↓	📦 x86_64↓	📦 aarch64↓	📦 x86_64↓
libffi7		succeeded	succeeded		succeeded	succeeded	succeeded	succeeded	succeeded	succeeded	succeeded	
libgit2-1		succeeded			failed							
pharo9	failed	succeeded	failed	failed	failed	failed	failed	succeeded	succeeded	failed	failed	
pharo9-ui	succeeded	succeeded	succeeded	failed	succeeded	succeeded	succeeded	succeeded		succeeded		

	Raspbian_9.0	openSUSE_Leap_15.1	openSUSE_Leap_15.2	openSUSE_Tumbleweed	xUbuntu_18.04	xUbuntu_19.04	xUbuntu_20.04		
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pharo9	failed	failed	failed	failed	failed	failed	succeeded	succeeded	succeeded
pharo9-ui		succeeded	succeeded	succeeded	succeeded	succeeded	succeeded		succeeded

Available:

- Arch / Manjaro
- Debian 9/10
- Raspbian 9/10
- Ubuntu 18.04-20.10

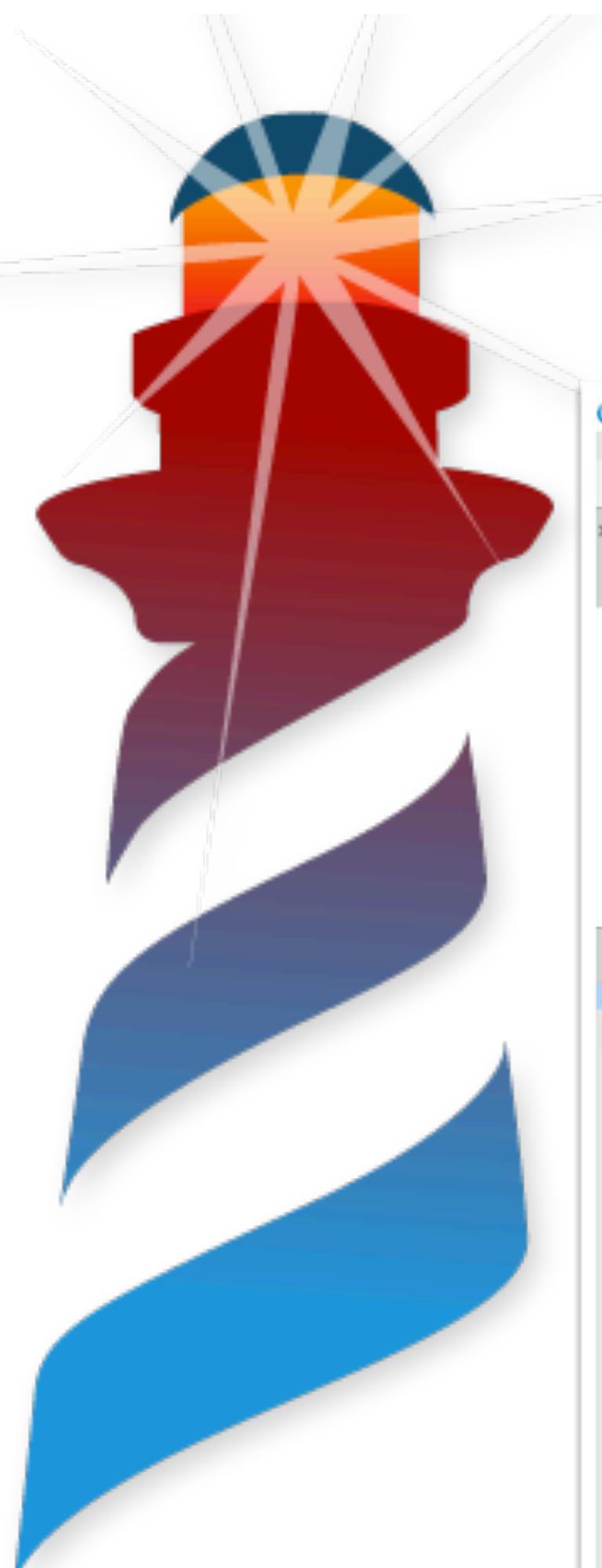
On going:

- Fedora 31/32/33
- RHEL 6/7
- openSuse Leap/Tumbleweed

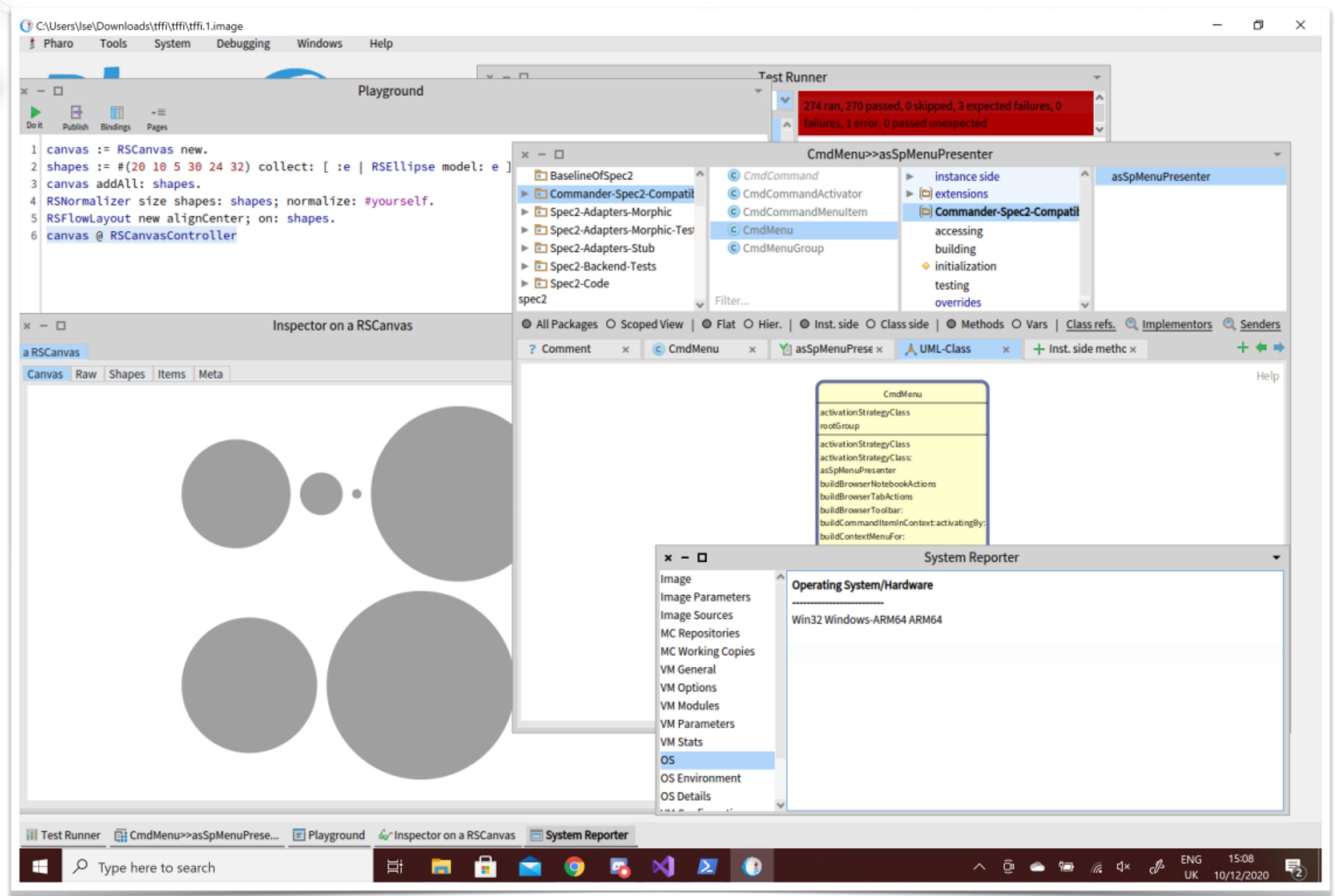
Multiple Architectures

Supporting system
packagings

Building using existing
system libraries



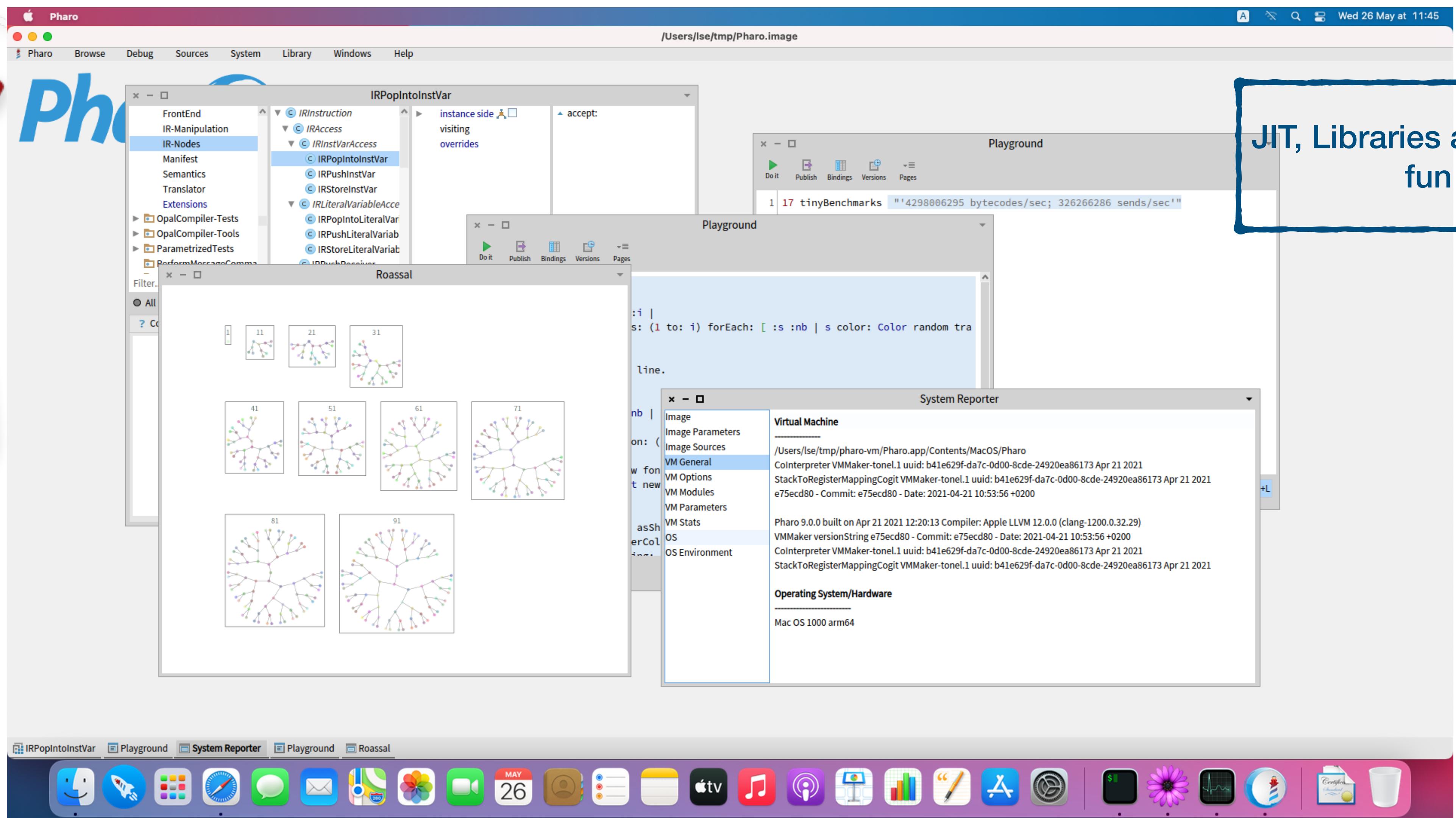
Windows ARM



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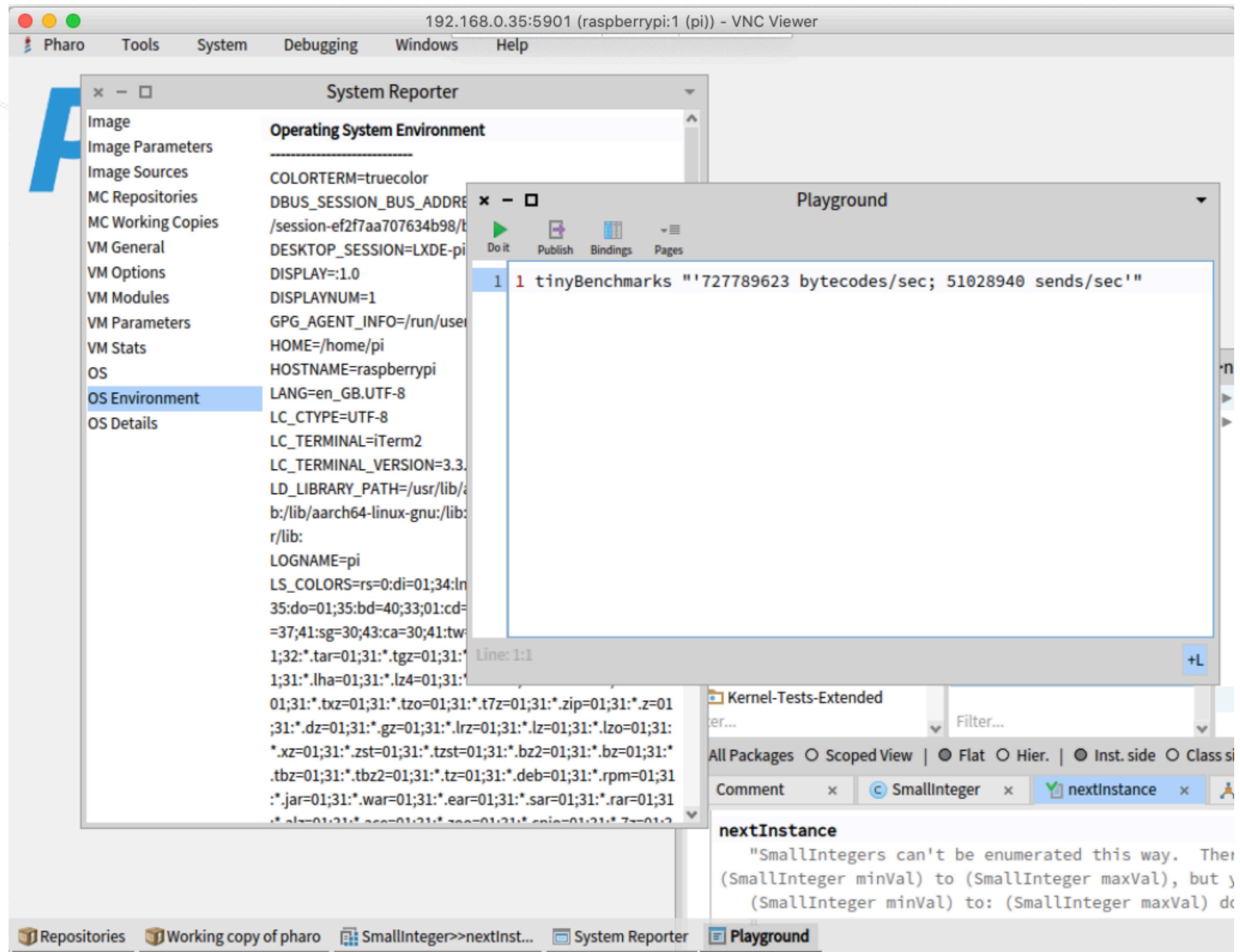
Everything ready to use

MacOS Apple Silicon





Raspbian





VM Status

Supported Platforms

	Linux	Windows	Mac OS
x86_64	Launcher / ZeroConf / OBS	Launcher / ZeroConf	Launcher / ZeroConf
ARM 32bits	ZeroConf / OBS	-	-
ARM 64bits	ZeroConf / OBS	ZeroConf	ZeroConf

Soon to be available in
the launcher in missing
platforms!



Spec 2 & New Tools



Spec 2

Main Elements

- Core & Basic Layouts
- Basic Presenters
- Application Support
- Styles / Themes
- Code Presenter



Spec 2

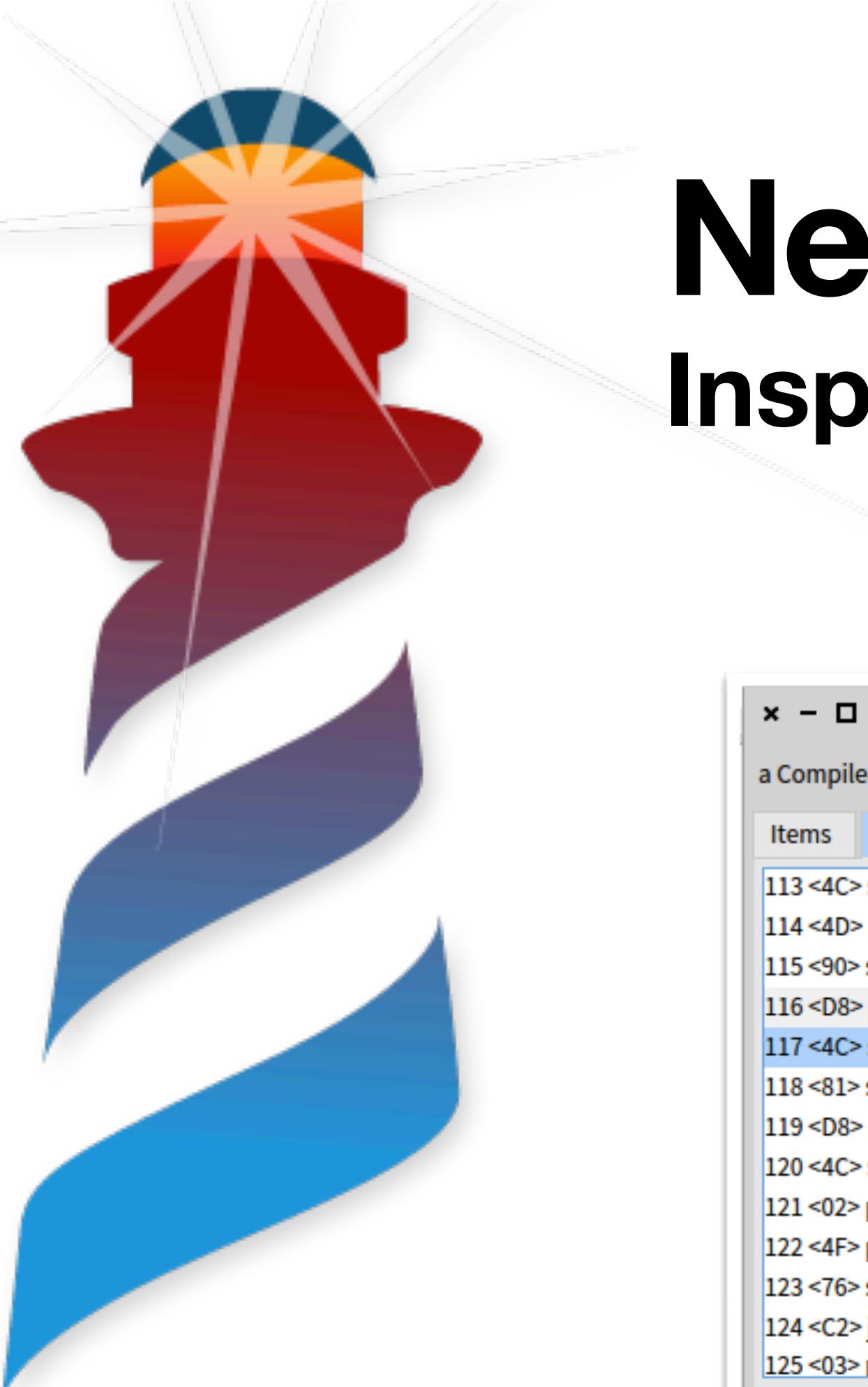
Extended Features

- Different Layouts and Composition
- Extended support for Dynamic Layouts
- New Dialog Building
- Transmissions
- Direct Support for Roassal & Cairo
- Multiple Backends (GTK / Morphic)
- Spec Tests and Testing Support



Spec 2 Documentation

- Layouts
- Widgets
- Tutorial ([Ongoing](#))
- Book ([Ongoing / Delayed](#))



New Tools in Spec2

Inspector

Inspector on OpalCompiler>>#evaluate

a CompiledMethod (OpalCompi...)

Items Bytecode Source IR AST Header Raw < > Source Raw Breakpoints Meta

113 <4C> self
114 <4D> pushConstant: true
115 <90> send: noPattern:
116 <D8> pop
117 <4C> self
118 <81> send: getSourceFromRequestorSelection
119 <D8> pop
120 <4C> self
121 <02> pushRcvr: 2
122 <4F> pushConstant: nil
123 <76> send: ==
124 <C2> jumpFalse: 128
125 <03> pushRcvr: 3

1 "OpalCompiler>>#evaluate"
2 self

117 <4C> self
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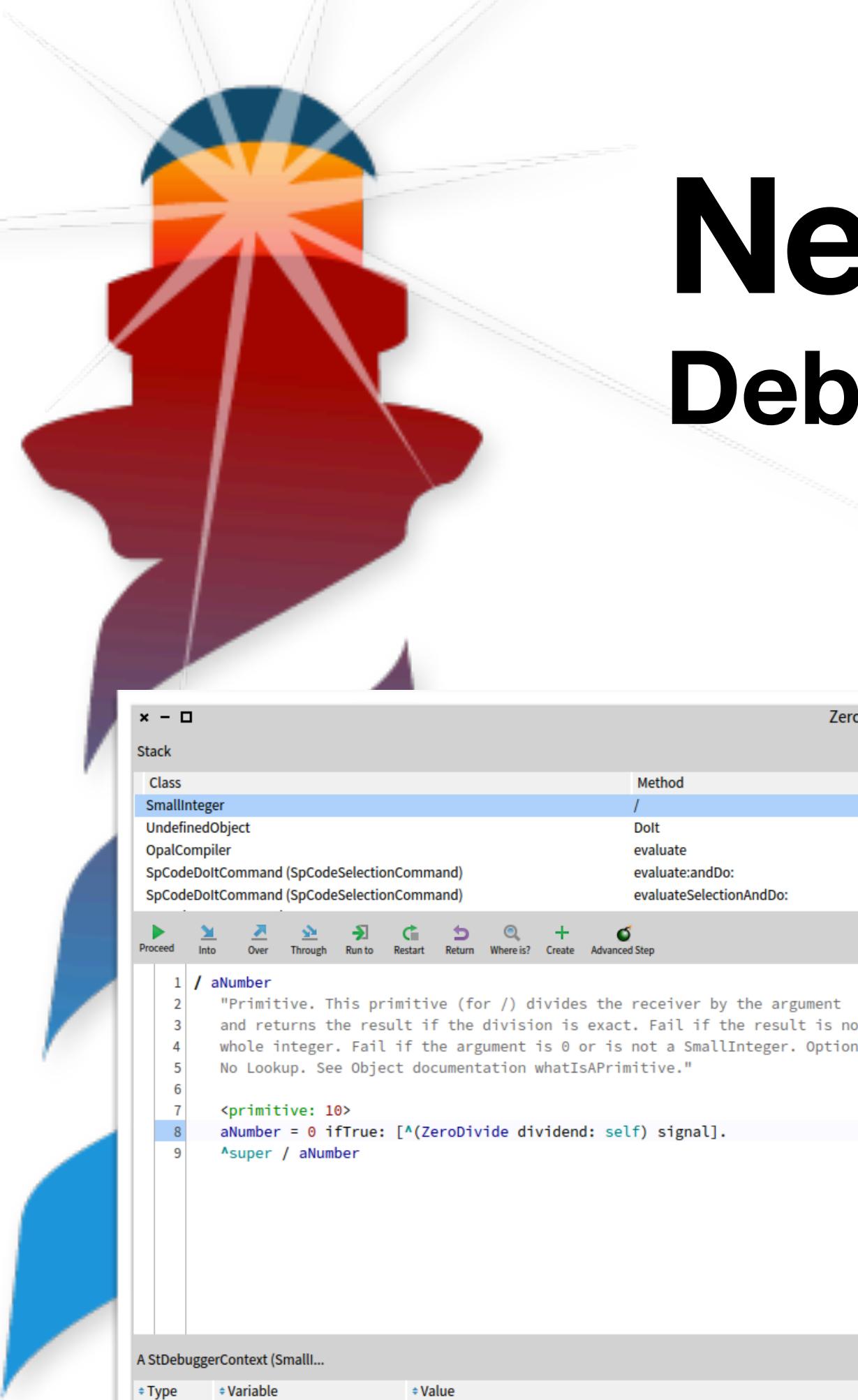
7 the system no longer creates Doit method litter on errors.
8 | value |
9 self noPattern: true.
10 self getSourceFromRequestorSelection.
11 self class: (context ifNil: [receiver class]).
12 ifNotNil: [context compiledCode methodClass].
13 value := receiver withArgs: (context ifNil: [()] ifNotNil: [{context}]). executeMethod: sel
f compileDoIt.
14 self logDoIt.
15 ^ value

New Tools in Spec2

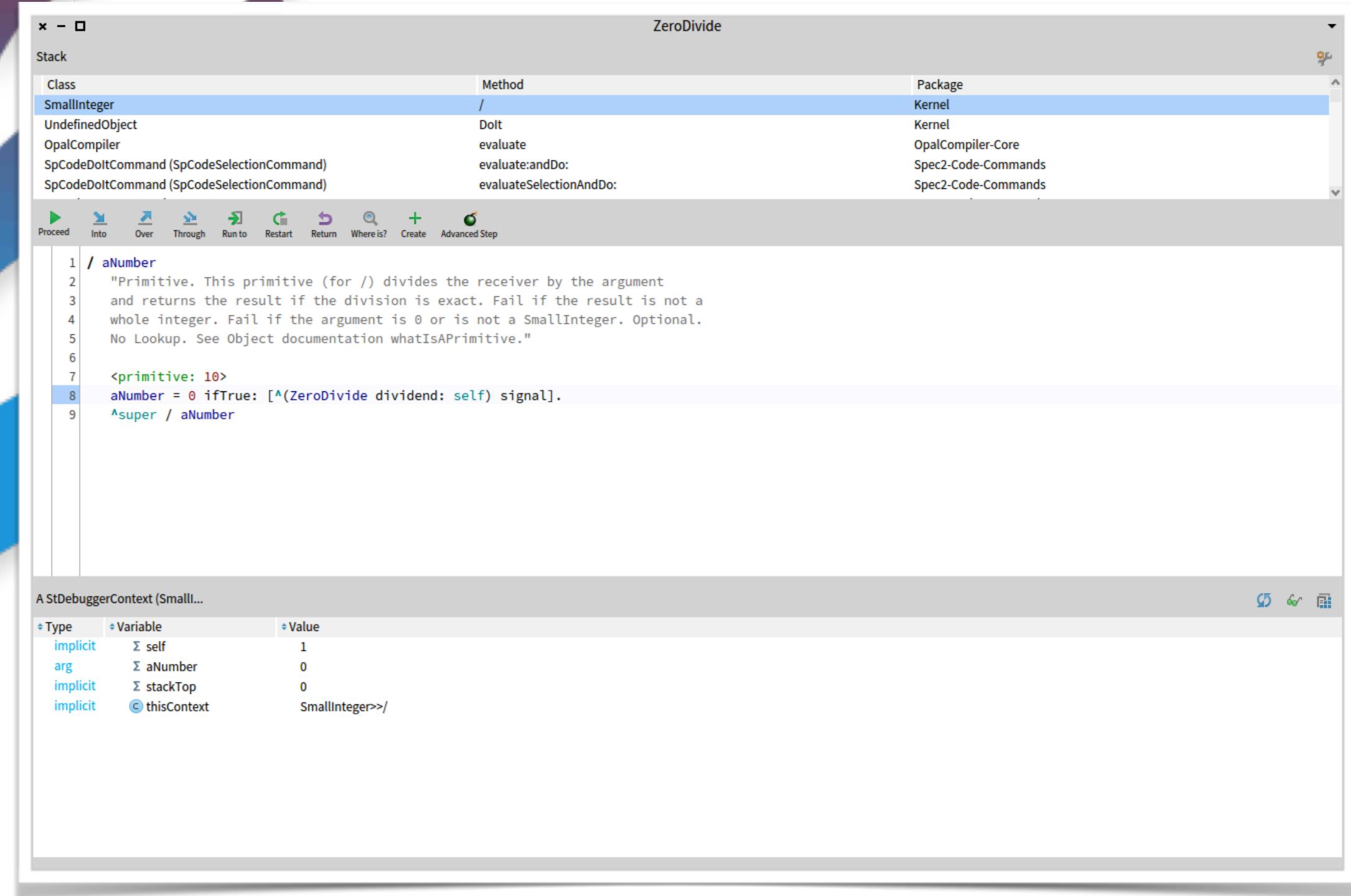
Iceberg

The screenshot shows the Spec2 Iceberg interface. At the top, there's a "Repositories" window listing three repositories: "pharo" (status: Uncommitted changes, branch: 2021-02-24), "pharo-spec2" (status: Local repository missing, branch: Unknown), and "pharo-newtools" (status: Local repository missing, branch: Unknown). Below it is a "Working copy of pharo" window showing a list of packages and their status. Most packages are in an "Uncommitted changes" state, except for "AST-Core" and "AST-Core-Tests" which are "Up to date".

The screenshot shows the Pharo repository interface. It displays a commit history for the "pharo" repository from February 2021, with commits by various authors like Marcus Denker, Esteban Lorenzano, and Pablo Tesone. Below the history is a code browser showing the source code for several classes and methods, such as "NewTools-ChangeSorter", "SpChangeSorterPresent", "SpDualChangeSorterPresent", "NewTools-Core", "StPharoApplication", "StPresenter class", "NewTools-Debugger", "DebugSession", "StDebugger", and "Code". The code browser highlights specific lines of code in different colors.



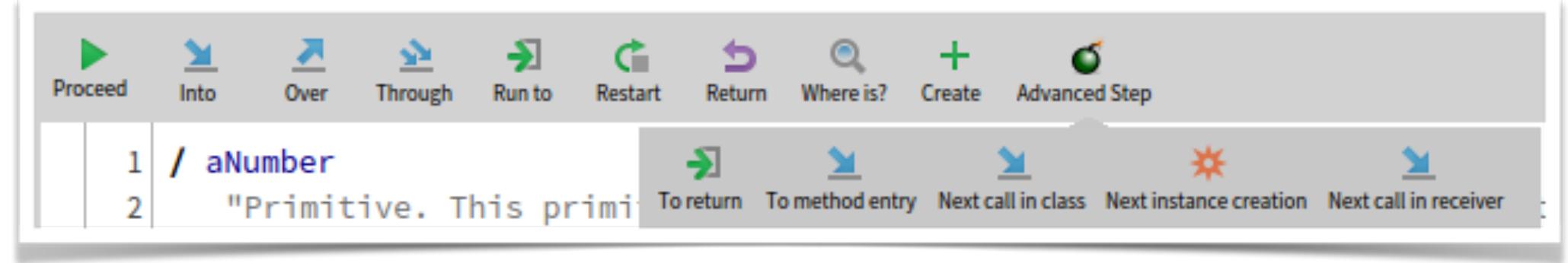
New Tools in Spec2 Debugger



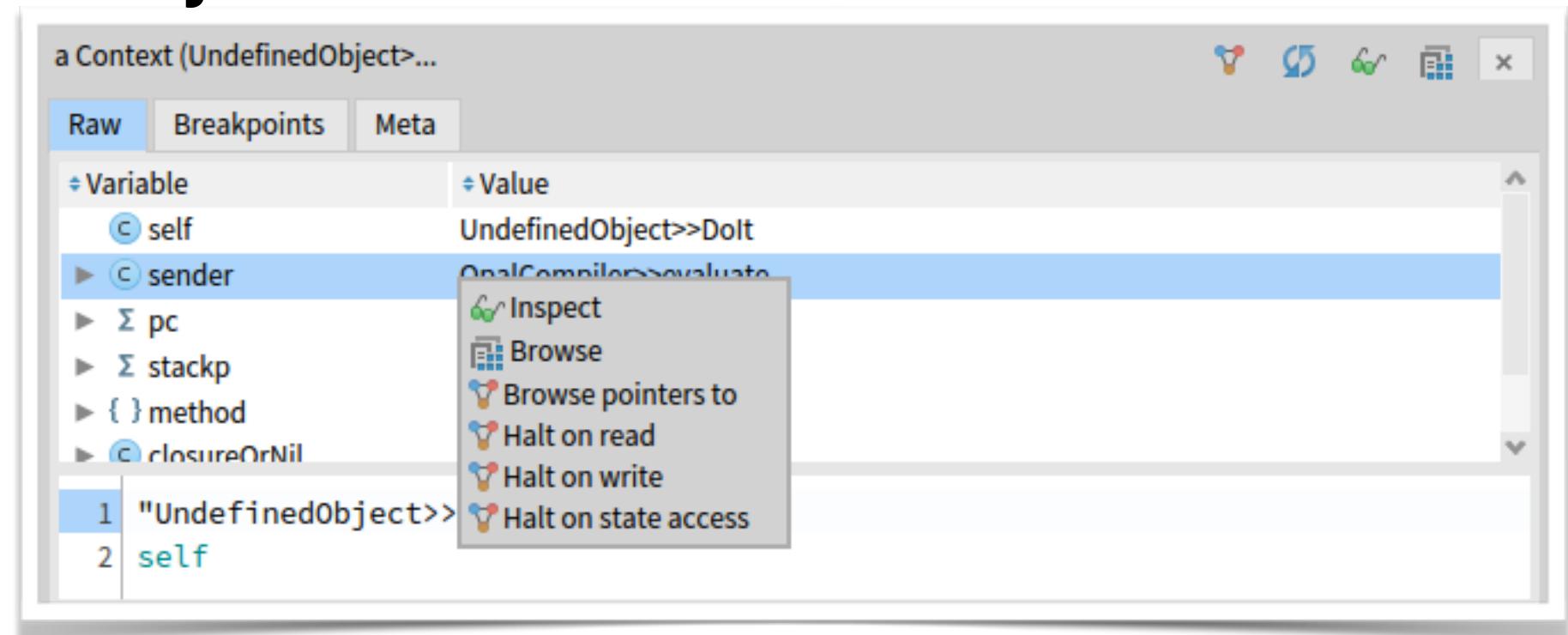
The screenshot shows the Spec2 debugger interface. At the top, there's a stack trace window titled "ZeroDivide" showing the call chain from `SmallInteger /` down to `Kernel evaluate`. Below it is a code editor window displaying the implementation of the `/` primitive. The code defines a primitive for division and handles the case where the divisor is zero by sending a signal. At the bottom, there's a variable inspector window showing the current context variables.

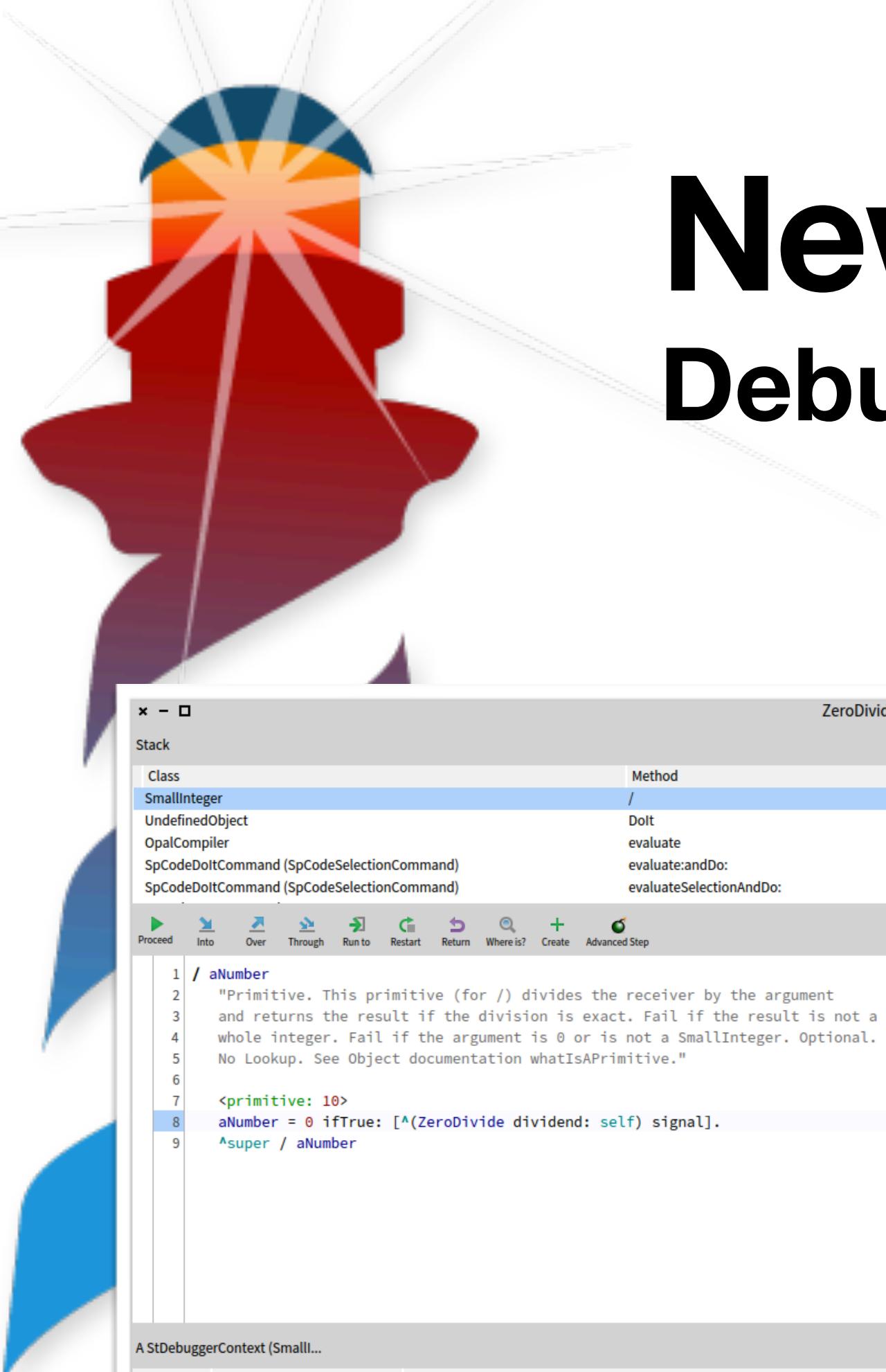
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Advanced Stepping Operations



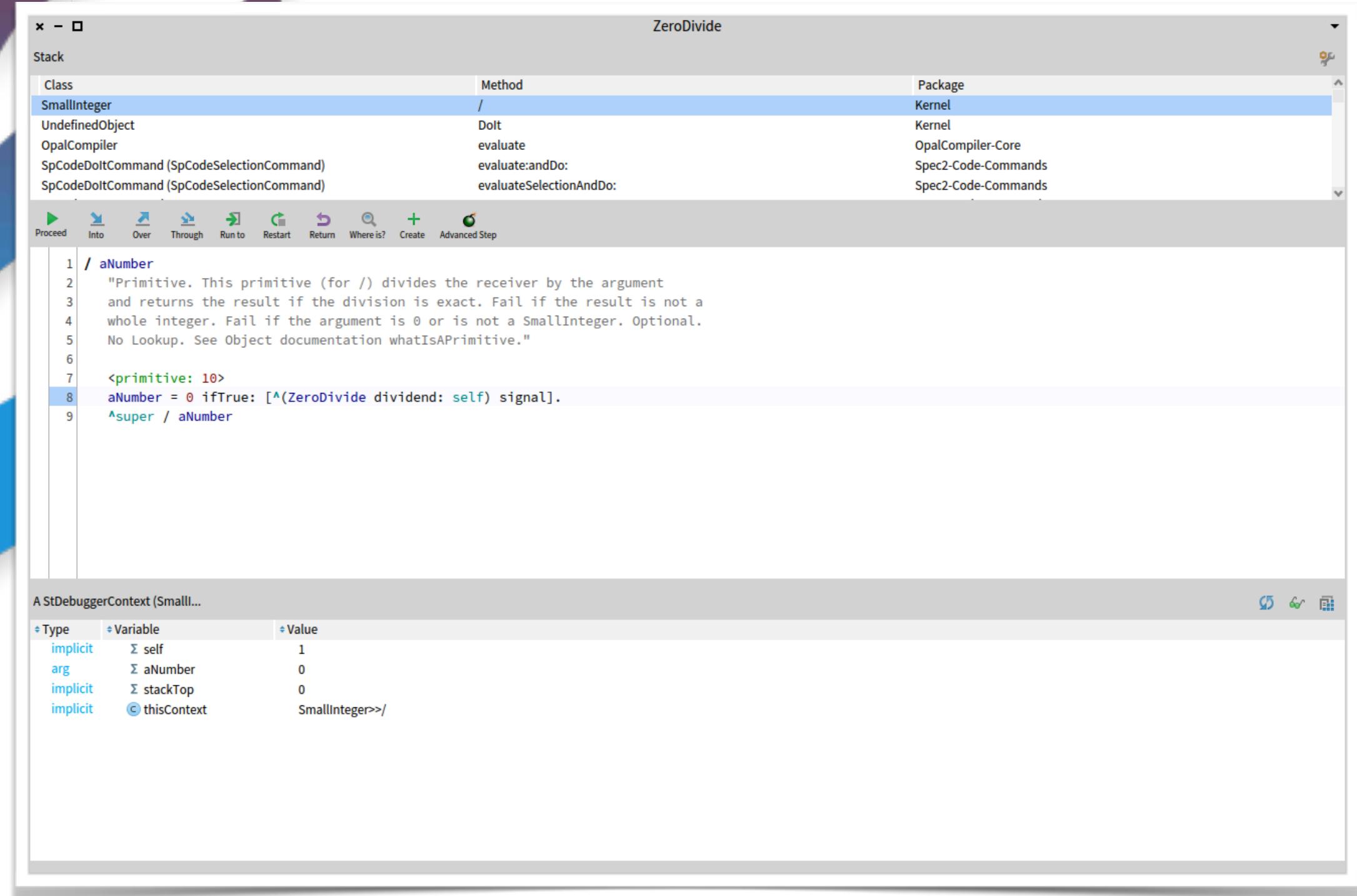
Object-Centric Halts





New Tools in Spec2

Debugger



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Class	Method	Package
SmallInteger	/	Kernel
UndefinedObject	Dolt	Kernel
OpalCompiler	evaluate	OpalCompiler-Core
SpCodeDoltCommand (SpCodeSelectionCommand)	evaluate:andDo:	Spec2-Code-Commands
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Below the stack trace is a toolbar with buttons for Proceed, Into, Over, Through, Run to, Restart, Return, Where is?, Create, and Advanced Step.

The main code editor window displays the source code for the `/` primitive:

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At the bottom, there's a variable inspector titled "A StDebuggerContext (Small...)" showing the current context variables:

Type	Variable	Value
implicit	self	1
arg	aNumber	0
implicit	stackTop	0
implicit	thisContext	SmallInteger>/

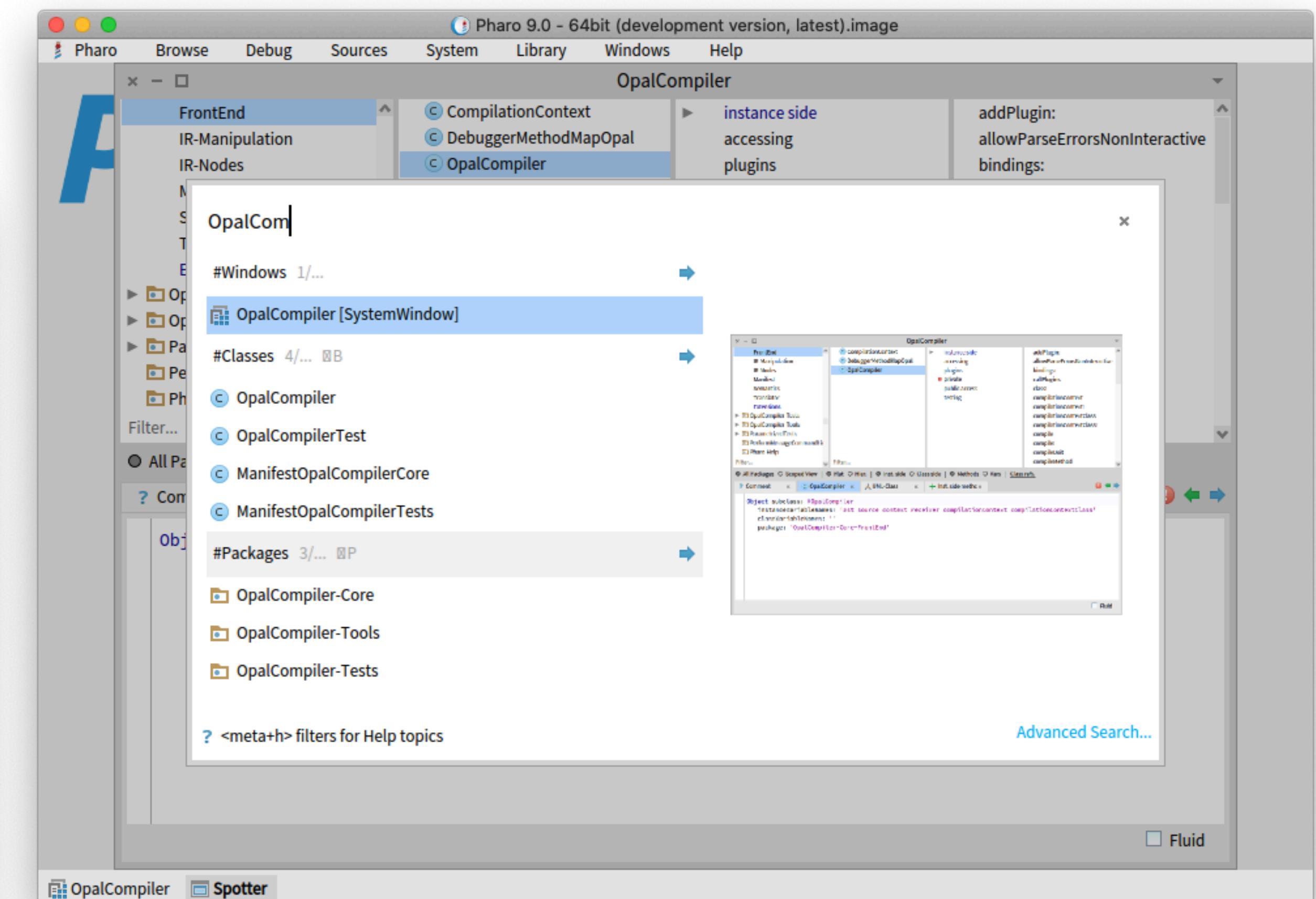
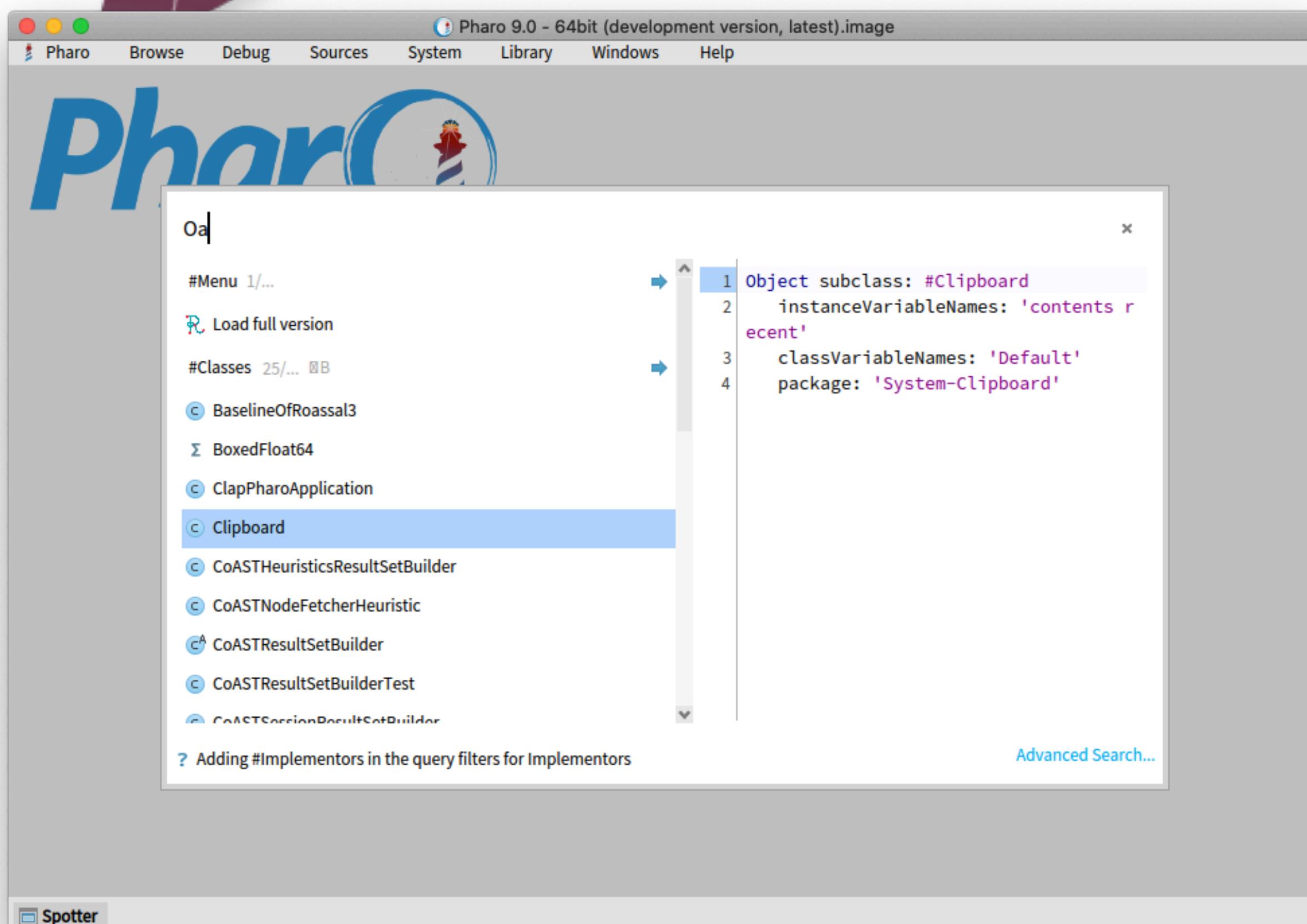
- The New debugger supports
 - Unique object centric debugging features
 - A plugin architecture / scripting
 - A revamped emergency debugger
 - Architecture to plug different debuggers

Not only a pretty face...



New Tools in Spec2

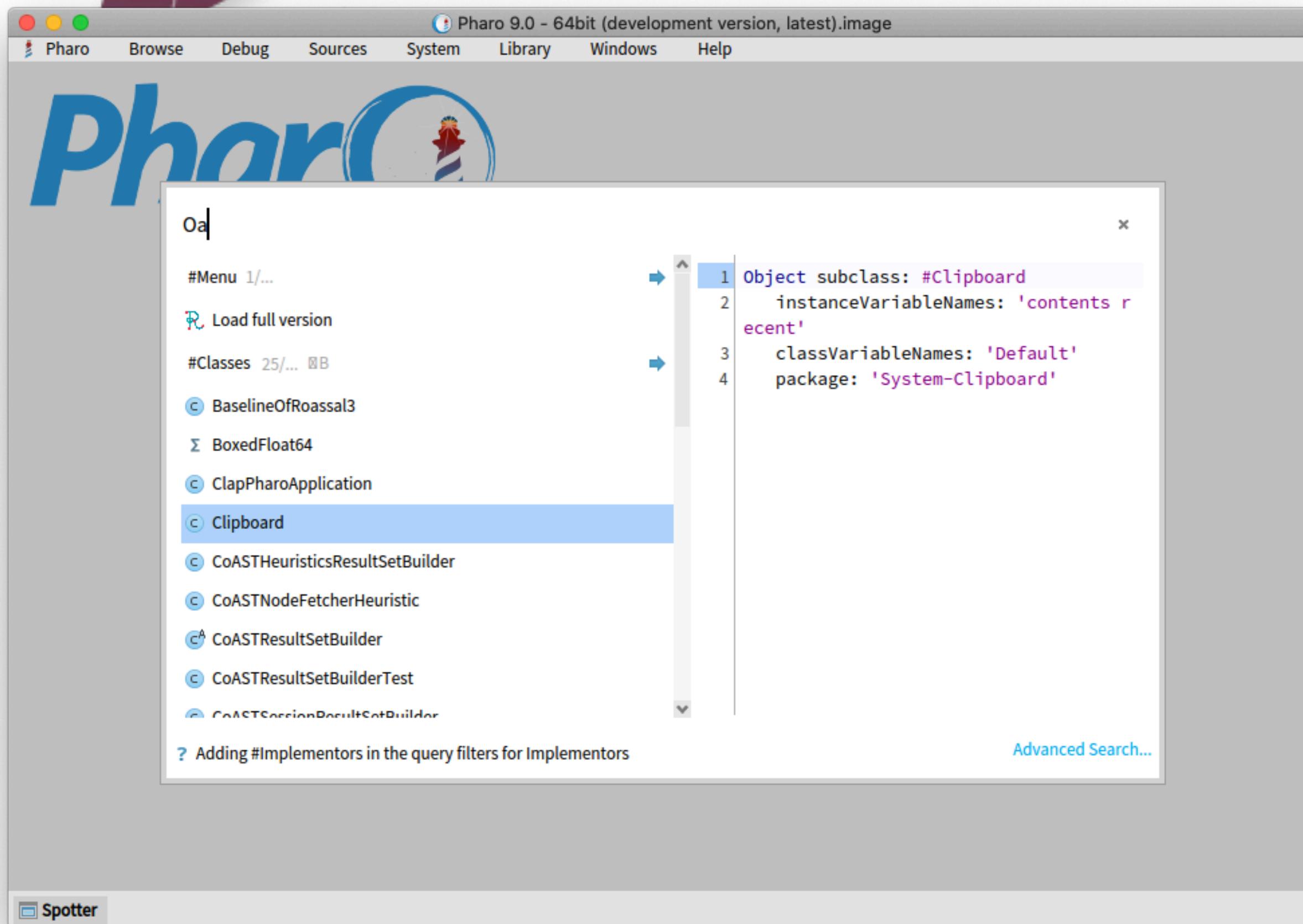
Spotter



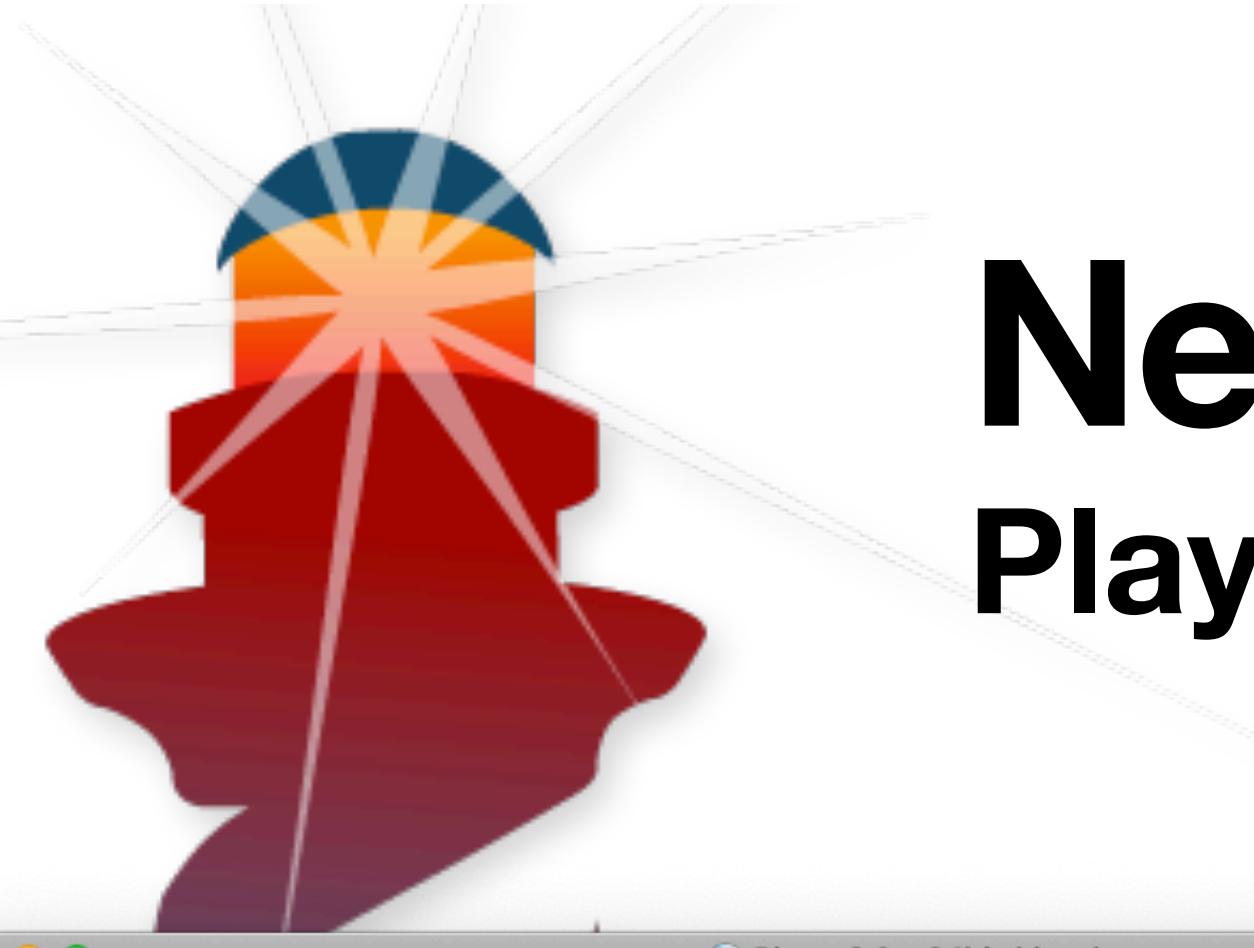


New Tools in Spec2

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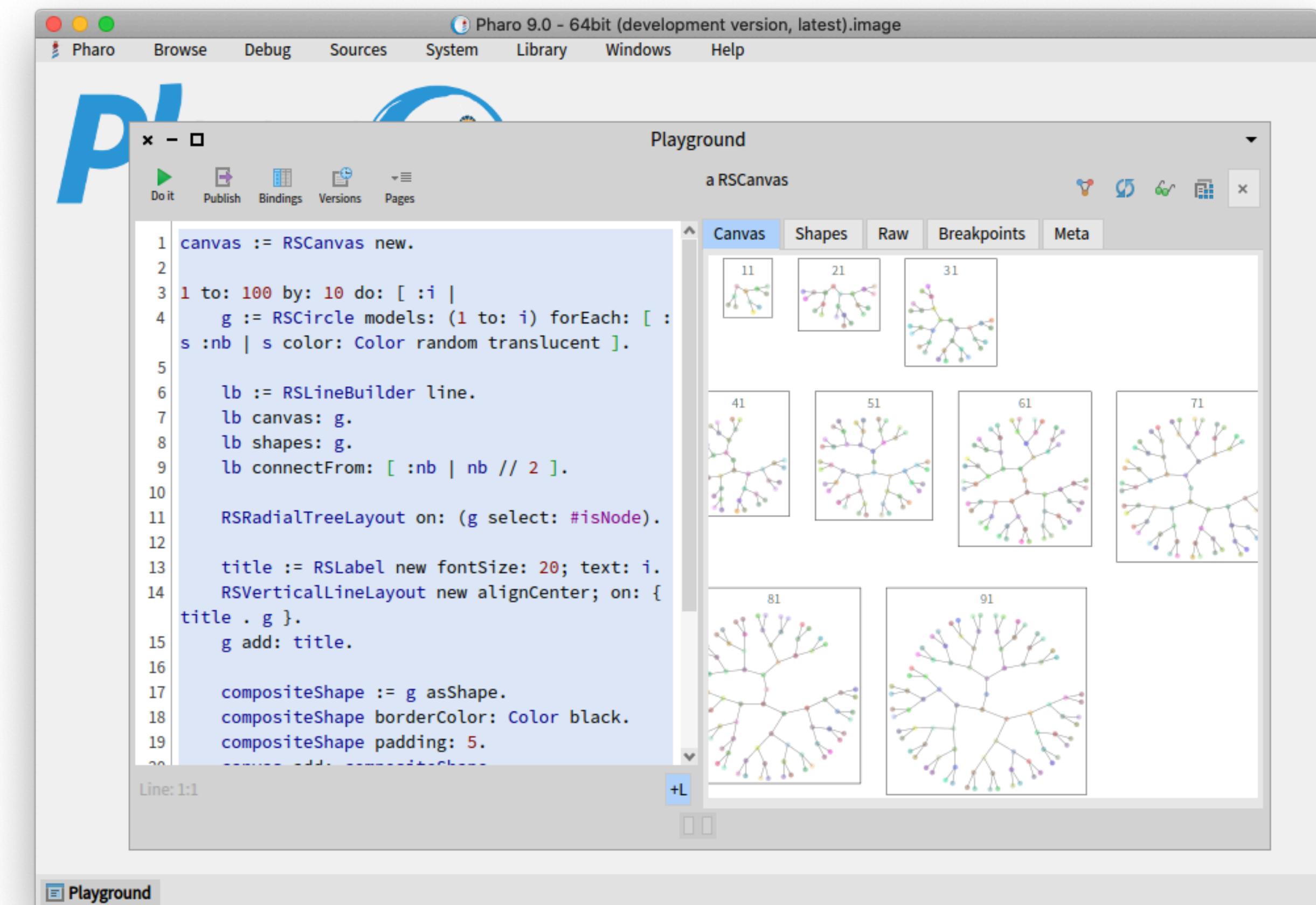
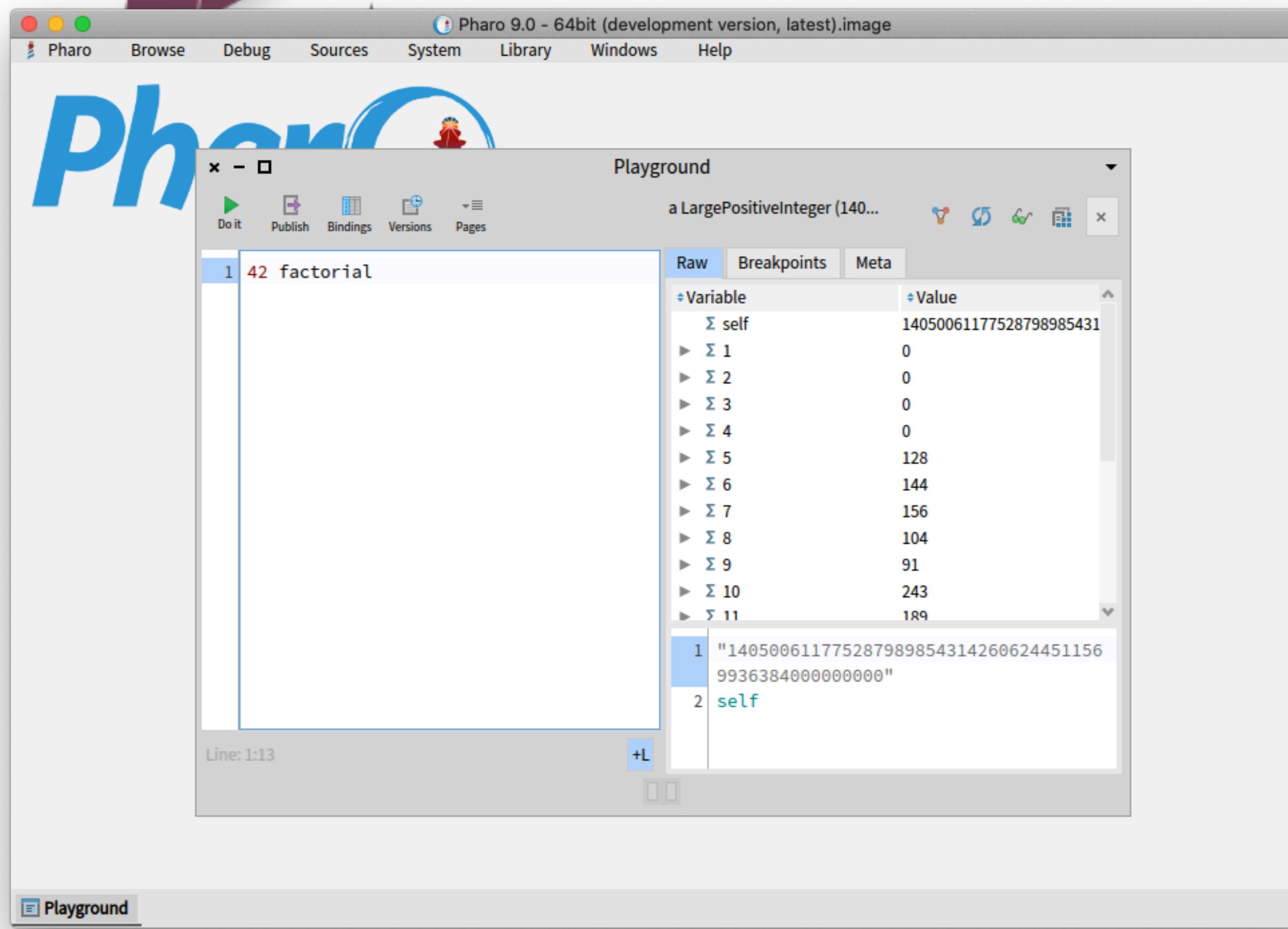


- All the features of all spotter and...
- Non blocking
- Better integration with Large images
- Improved Backend
- Extensible



New Tools in Spec2

Playground





More Image Improvements



Refactorings

- New Refactorings
 - Extract setUp method
 - Remove senders of method refactoring
 - Copy package as refactoring
 - Rename package (rename manifest)
 - Merge instance var x in y
 - Move to class side method
 - Create accessors with lazy initialization



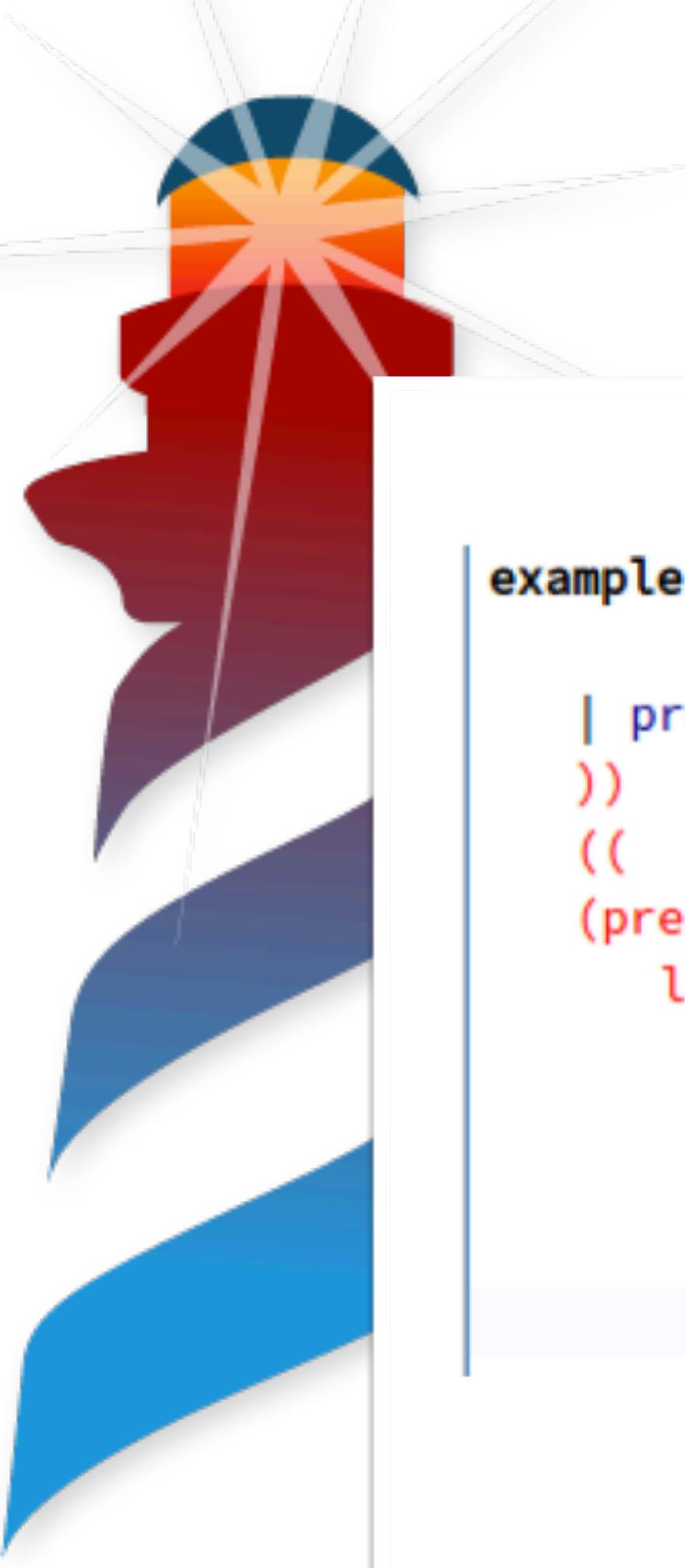
Refactorings

- Improved ones
 - Deprecate method (simple version)
 - Deprecate class
 - Extract method refactoring
 - Replace senders by another
 - Rename vars in Traits
 - Convert temporary to instance variable
 - Push up method refactoring
 - Add access to pushUp and pushDown refactorings from source code
 - Permute parameters when add an argument
 - Abstract instance variable (now applies abstract methods when there is a reference to more than one variable in a method)



Dynamic call Rewriting of Deprecated Methods

- Support Automatic Migration
- Deprecated Methods of clients rewritten to the new API
- Running the code or the tests and the API is automatically migrated!
- Systematically used in Pharo 9



Parser Improvements

example

```
| presenter |
))
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Pharo 8

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Microdown Comments & Renderer



MicroDownParser

Manifest Model ModelInline Parser Extensions Microd

MicInLineEmphasisProcessor ! MicInLineSplitter Old MicInLineSplitterOld MicParsingError ! MicroDownParser

instance side accessing initialization markups node creation parsing

anchorMarkup annotatedParagraphMarkup argumentListStartDelimiter blockStarterClassFrom: blockStarterClassFromOld: boldMarkup

All Packages □ Scoped View | □ Flat □ Hier. | □ Inst. side □ Class side | □ Methods □ Vars | Class refs.

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Raw for your other code (inline) >>> {{ some code }}

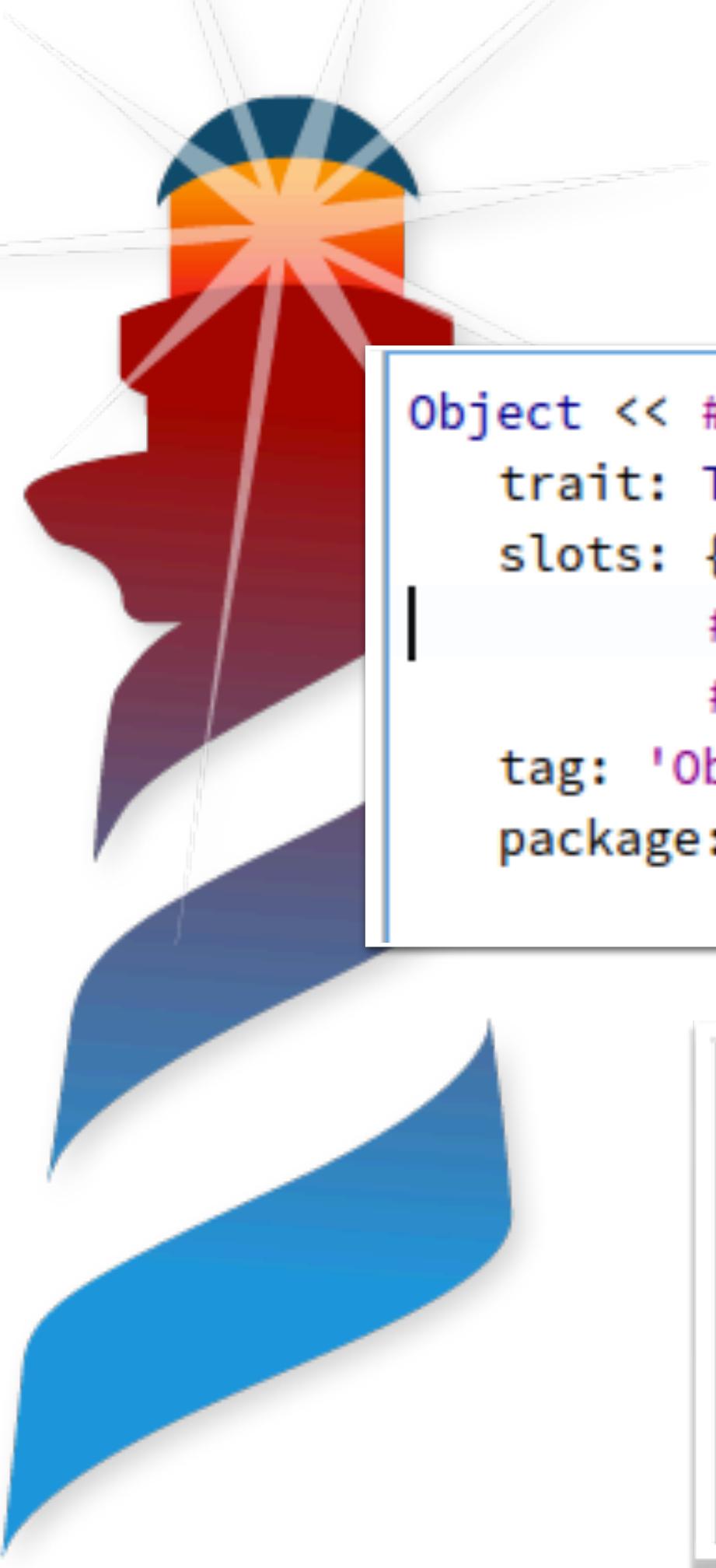
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Figure >>> ![figure's name](url|key1=value1&key2=value2)

! [Pharo logo] (<https://files.pharo.org/media/logo/logo.png>) produces

Pharo

A large, semi-transparent watermark of the Pharo logo, which consists of the word "Pharo" in a stylized blue font with a 3D effect, and a circular icon containing a red and white striped lighthouse-like shape.

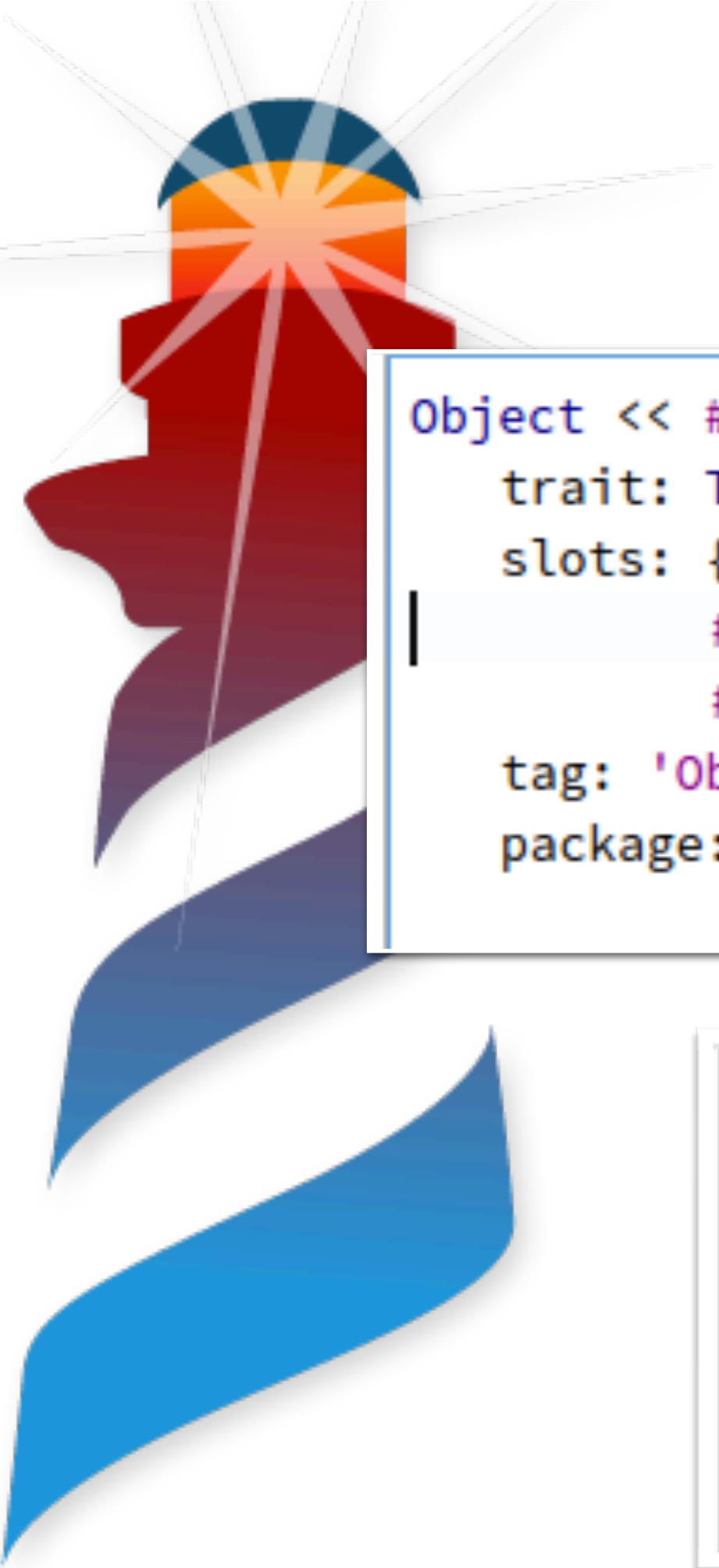


Fluid Class Syntax

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  slots: {
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    #y };
  tag: 'Observable';
  package: 'VariablesLibrary-Tests'
```

```
ProtoObject << #Object
  sharedVariables: { #DependentsFields };
  tag: 'Objects';
  package: 'Kernel'
```

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Decided in ESUG'17

Preview in Pharo 9

Default in Pharo 10

Distributed Test Runner



Dr Tests - Remote Runner

Remote Runner

items(6 selected): items(26 selected):

- AST-Core-Tests
- Announcements-Core-Tests
- Athens-Cairo-Tests
- Beacon-Core-Tests
- Calypso-NavigationModel-Te
- Calypso-SystemPlugins-Critic
- Calypso-SystemPlugins-Depr
- Calypso-SystemPlugins-FFI-Q
- Calypso-SystemPlugins-Flags
- Calypso-SystemPlugins-Inher
- Calypso-SystemPlugins-Refle
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- Calypso-SystemPlugins-SUni
- Calypso-SystemPlugins-Trait
- Calypso-SystemPlugins-Unde
- Calypso-SystemQueries-Test:
- Calypso-SystemTools-FullBrc
- Calynso-SystemTools-QuervF

Results:

- Remaining Tests(0)
- Execution Errors(0)
- Errors(0)
- Failures(0)
- Skipped tests(0)
- Passing tests(415)

Run Remote

2020-09-10 13:14: Finished: 0:00:00:20.094051

Integration with Dr. Test

Start Instances and Watchdog

Root Directory: /Users/admin/dev/Pharo/lifeware/secondPass/worker

Creation Strategy: Create Template from Current Pharo Commit

Original Zip File: /Users/admin/dev/Pharo/lifeware/secondPass/worker

Number of instances: 3

Start Watchdog

Distributed Runner Instances

Number	ID	Host	State	Last Pong
1	599f2476-556b	MacBook-Pro	Running	1 second
2	8745	Pro	Running	1 second
3	c346	Pro	Running	1 second

Stop Instance Start Instance

Start Instances Stop Instances

Controlling Instances



Image Status

Compiler Improvements

- Unifying objects variables into a single Hierarchy (Done)
- Improved Semantic Analysis (Done)
 - use Class and the Environment to lookup the variables
 - use Variable Hierarchy to model variables for name analysis.
- Improved AST Visitor (Done)
- Pragma lookup speed-up (Done)
- Compiler Speed Improvements (Done)



Image Status - Other Improvements

- Sista Bytecodes w/ Full Block Closures (Done)
- Memory Management Configuration (Done)
- Integration with Windows (Done)
- Roassal3 Integrated (Done)



Image Status

Other Big Goals

- .NET: FFI / UI Embedding Experiment ([First Stage done](#))
- Fluid Class Parser ([First Stage done](#))
- Image Distributions - Optional Project Loader ([Delayed](#))
- Distributed Test Runner ([First Stage done](#))
- Debugger Backend Improvements ([Done](#))
- High DPI support / Scalling ([Ongoing](#))
- Implementing World renderers to use Idle VM ([ToDo](#))



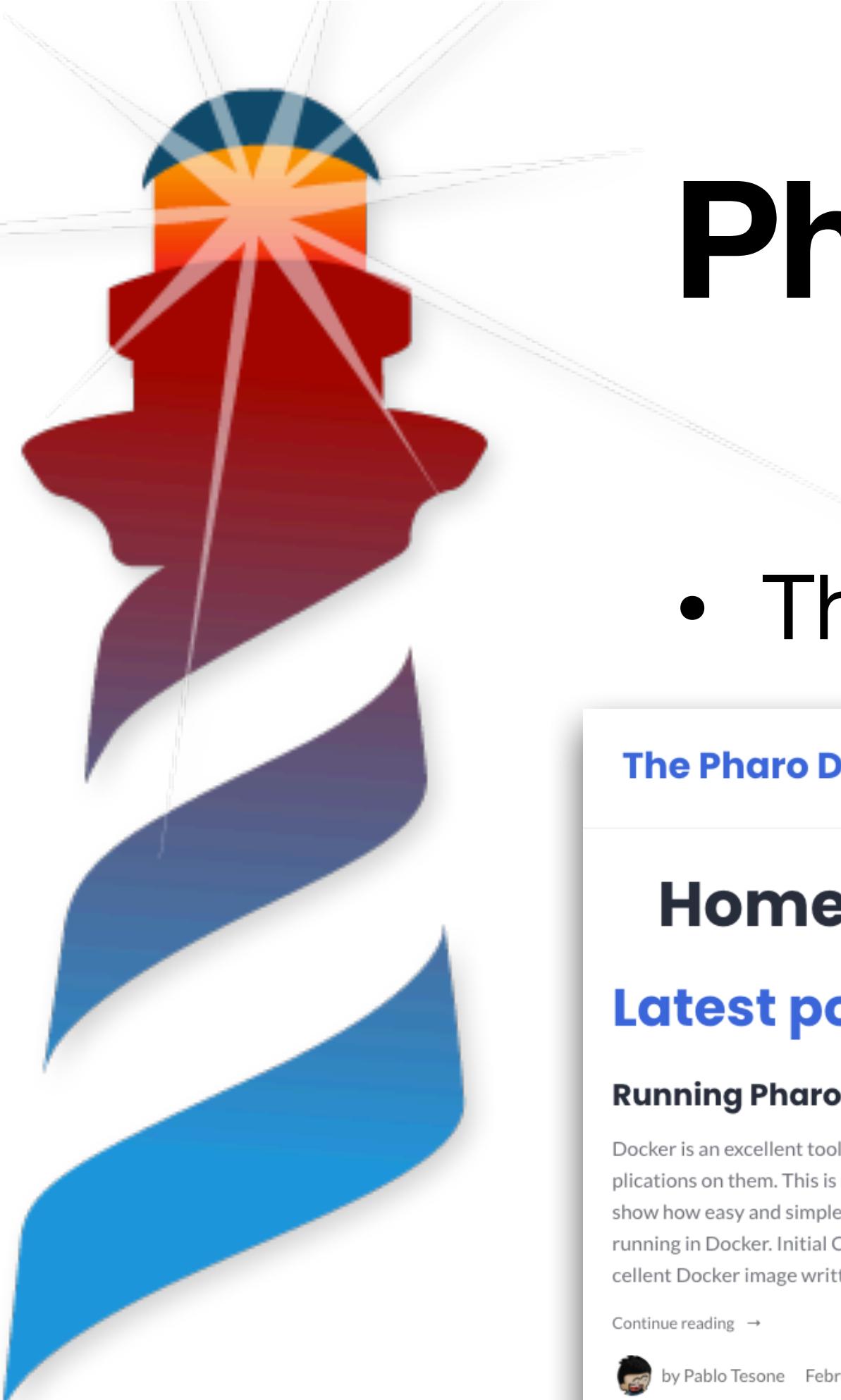
Pharo Promotion

- Mooc with Pharo 8:
 - New 74 videos in French and English
 - New session in November
 - Everything in Youtube
- Pharo Master Class (INRIA Academy / INRIA Chile)
 - 100+ participants
- Pharo By Example - Updated Edition



Pharo Promotion

- Presence in Virtual FOSDEM 2021
 - <https://stands.fosdem.org/stands/pharo/>
 - Preparing Videos
 - Static Content
- Organising Existing presentations and talks
 - <http://talks.pharo.org/>



Pharo Promotion

- The PharoDev open collaboration blog - <https://the-pharo.dev/>

The Pharo Dev: Mastering Objects

Home Blog Team

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Latest posts

Running Pharo 9 in Docker

Docker is an excellent tool to manage containers, and execute applications on them. This is not a discovery!! The idea of this post is to show how easy and simple is to have a Pharo 9 Seaside application running in Docker. Initial Considerations This post is based in the excellent Docker image written by the

[Continue reading →](#)

by Pablo Tesone February 24, 2021

First Apple M1 Pharo Version

After receiving the new Apple Mini with the M1 processor, we are producing the first version of the Pharo VM. This version, is a base version that lacks JIT optimizations and requires external libraries

ast breakpoints class-model code completion compiler continuous integration data structures debugging deployment gcc generators heuristics IDE morphic names native code object-centric optimizations oswindow pharoFeatures prototyping reflection reflectivity spotter testing thisContext tools trie ubiquitous-language undefined behavior

- API Design (1)
- data structures (12)
 - indexes (2)
- ...

15+ Different Authors

Different subjects & levels

Open to all the community



Pharo Promotion

Books - books.pharo.org

- A large set of new books is arriving with Pharo 90. Documenting many hidden aspects of programming in Pharo:
 - Testing in Pharo
 - Version control in Pharo
 - Calling Foreign Functions with Pharo
 - Pharo with Style
 - Zinc
 - Concurrent Programming in Pharo
 - Commander 2.0
 - Pharo by Example 90 soon out.



Mooc

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Programmation objet immersive en Pharo / Live Object Programming in Pharo

Thematics

Informatique

Numérique, technologie

Programmation

Cette nouvelle version du Mooc est basée sur **Pharo 8.0**, github,
et mise à jour avec 70 nouvelles vidéos.

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Langue / Language

Ce cours est entièrement bilingue français/anglais
et sous-titré en français , anglais , espagnol et japonais

This course is fully dubbed in french and english
Subtitles in french , english , spanish and japanese



Bilateral Contracts

All results are also possible thanks to them



SCHMIDT
Ingenieurbüro für Bauwesen

One Year - Finished



Lifeware

Two Years - Ongoing



Thanks!!!



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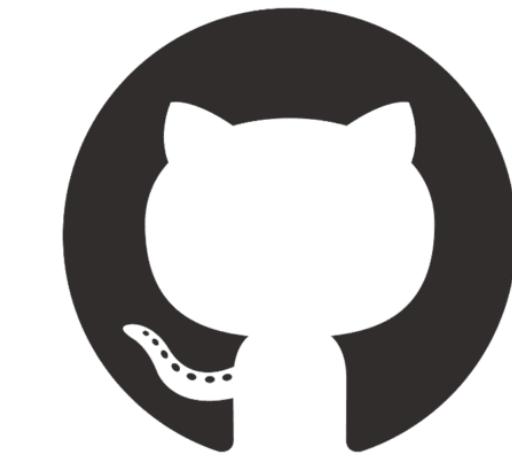
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discord.gg/QewZMZA



the-pharo.dev



[pharo-project/pharo](https://github.com/pharo-project/pharo)

Pharo 9
Now in stabilisation!!!