Up next:
Performance Tuning

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What is Performance Tuning?

- Making slow software fast
  - For your definition of “slow” and “fast”
- Knowing it’s slow means you’ve identified the problem and can measure it
  - “Fast” gives you criteria for when to stop
- Actually a huge topic
  - Fundamentally a subset of "Debugging"

When to Optimize

- "We should forget about small efficiencies, say about 97% of the time: premature optimization is the root of all evil"

  — D. Knuth

- “The First Rule of Program Optimization: Don't do it. The Second Rule of Program Optimization (for experts only!): Don't do it yet.”

  — M. Jackson

How to Optimize?

- Discover what's slow
- Figure out why it's slow
- Fix it

We Got Tools

measure, measure, measure!

- Measure first. Establish a baseline
- Fix
- Measure again so you don't regress

measure first before changing stuff!

Things to Keep in Mind

- Forget any assumptions about where problems are
- Be consistent with your test data
- The Simulator has vastly different performance characteristics than the Device
- Throw large data sets at your program often

Orders of Magnitude

Kind of Product	# of records	Data Structure
Short-term Weight Tracker™	1 - 10	ivars / C array
Personal WeighMonster™	10 - 1,000	NSArray
Pittsburgh Fitness Weigh-Yinz™	1,000 - 1,000,000	Core Data / sqllite db
LA Fatness Übertrack™	1,000,000 - 100,000,000	Database Server(s) / Amazon services
Google WeighIn™ (Beta)	100,000,000 - 100,000,000,000	Distributed db cluster / BigTable / Data Centers

Numbers of Interest: Jeff Dean

L1 cache reference	0.5 ns	
Branch Mispredict	5 ns	
L2 cache reference	7 ns	
mutex lock/unlock	100 ns	
Main memory reference	100 ns	
Compress 1K bytes with Zippy	10,000 ns	
Send 2k bytes over 1 Gbps network	20,000 ns	
Read 1 MB sequentially from memory	250,000 ns	0.25 ms
Round trip in datacenter	500,000 ns	0.5 ms
Disk seek	10,000,000 ns	10 ms
Read 1 MB sequentially from network	10,000,000 ns	10 ms
Read 1 MB sequentially from disk	30,000,000 ns	30 ms
Send Packet CA->Netherlands->CA	150,000,000 ns	150 ms

http://bit.ly/jeff-dean-numbers

Numbers of Interest: Mike Ash

	Mac Pro 10.5	iPhone 4
IMP-cached message send	0.7 ns	18 ns
C++ virtual function call	1.1 ns	17 ns
Integer Division	2.4 ns	71 ns
Objective-C message send	4.9 ns	54 ns
Floating-point division	9.2 ns	101 ns
16 byte memcpy	2.9 ns	34 ns
16 byte malloc/free	56 ns	559 ns
NSInvocation message send	77 ns	619 ns
NSObject alloc/init/release	290 ns	4,825 ns
NSAutoreleasePool alloc/init/release	357 ns	1,315 ns
16MB malloc/free	4,485 ns	12,736 ns
Read 16 byte file	21,219 ns	187,450 ns
zero-second delayed perform	42,211 ns	231,307 ns
pthread create/join	56,633 ns	160,274 ns
Write 16 byte file	492,040 ns	1,053,244 ns
NSTask process spawn	6,096,478 ns	N/A
Read 16MB file	28,619,582 ns	188,647 ns
Write 16MB file	361,767,087 ns	667,922 ns

Timing in Code

```
kern_return_t mach_timebase_info (mach_timebase_info_t info);

uint64_t mach_absolute_time (void);

struct mach_timebase_info {
    uint32_t    numer;
    uint32_t    denom;
};
```

Timing in Code

```
CGFloat BNRTimeBlock (void (^block)(void)) {
    mach_timebase_info_data_t info;
    if (mach_timebase_info(&info) != KERN_SUCCESS) return -1.0;

    uint64_t start = mach_absolute_time ();

    block ();

    uint64_t end = mach_absolute_time ();
    uint64_t elapsed = end - start;

    uint64_t nanos = elapsed * info.numer / info.denom;
    return (CGFloat)nanos / NSEC_PER_SEC;

} // BNRTimeBlock
```

Big Nerd Ranch Weblog: A Timing Utility

Timing in Code

```
CGFloat time = BNRTimeBlock (^{
        for (NSString *line in split) {
            if ([line hasPrefix: @"#"]) continue;

            BWThingie *thingie = [BWThingie thingieWithString: line];

            if (thingie == nil) continue;

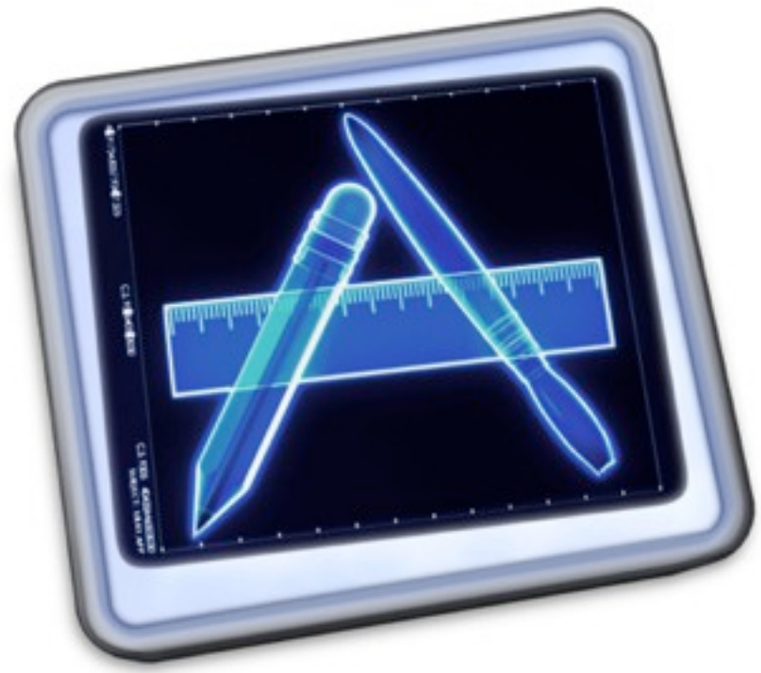
            [_thingies addObject: thingie];
        }
    });

NSLog (@"time it took: %f", time);
```

Timing in The Shell

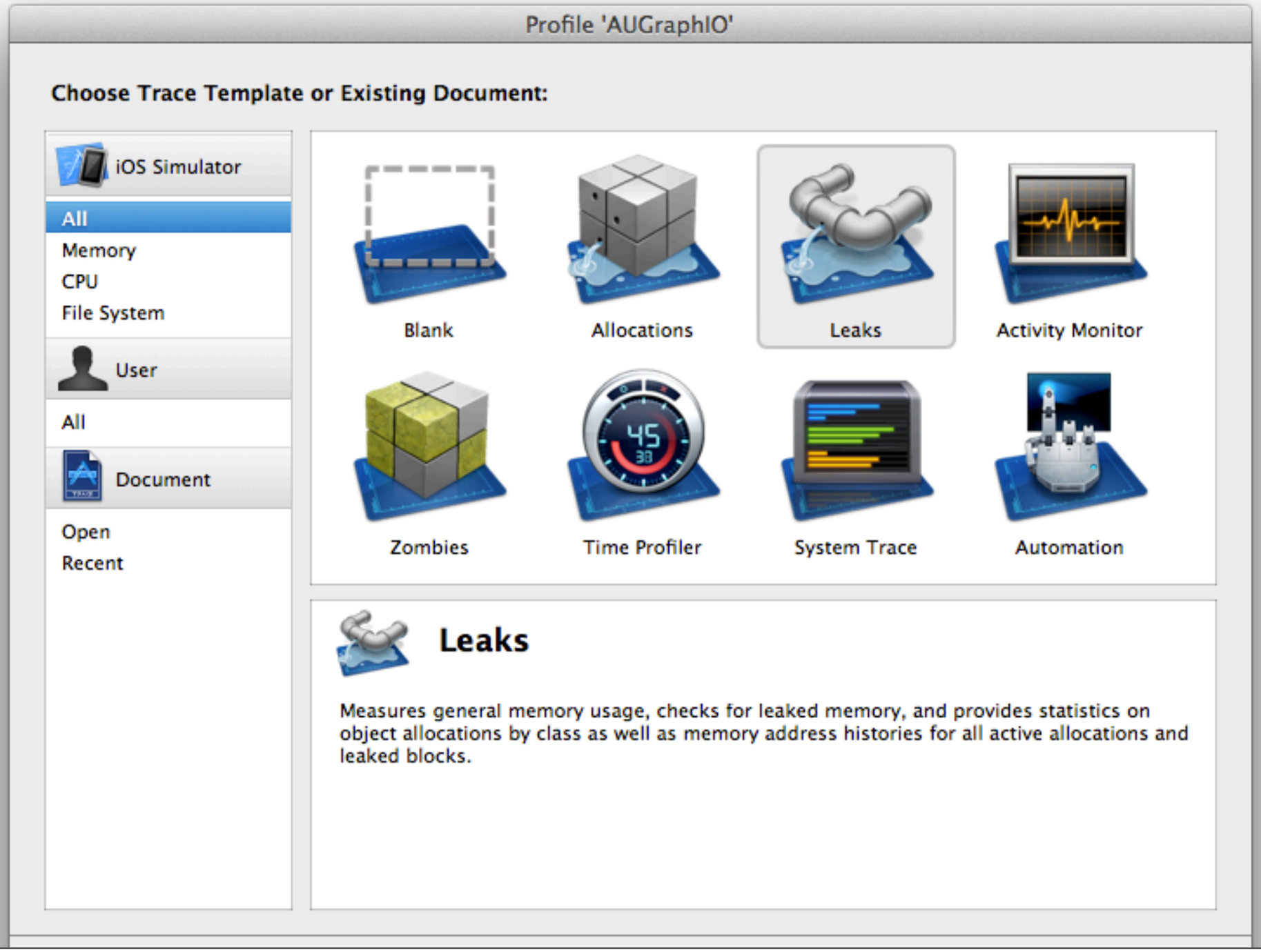
```
% time build/BigShow.app/Contents/MacOS/BigShow
3.300u 0.800s 1:44.78 3.9%      0+0k 0+22io 0pf+0w
```

Instruments



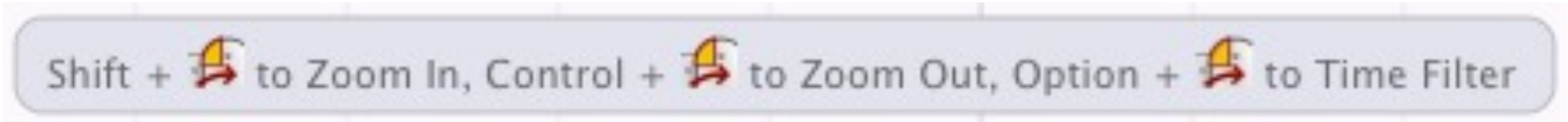
- Apple's Toy Chest
  - er, Profiling Suite

Instrument Templates

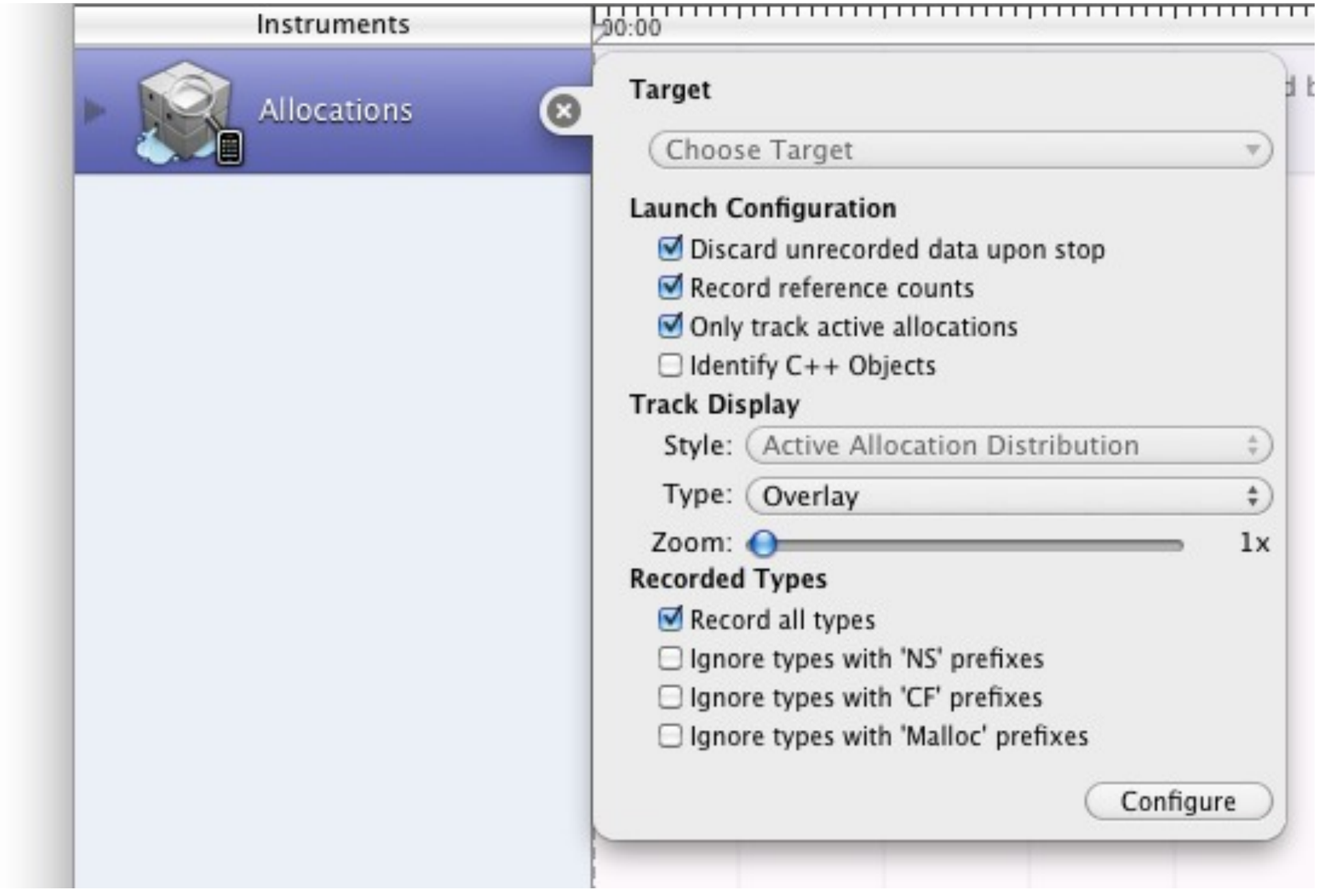


Instruments and Library

Penguin Profile



Look Under the Rocks



Aside: Tracking Down Problems

gprof

Kicking it Old School!

- Not a GNU program
- compile with -pg, run program
- gprof gmon.out > profile.txt

http://bit.ly/cocoaconf-gprof
"how to read gprof output"

The Flat Profile

Biggest Consumer

Time spent in function

That's a *lot* of calls

Not a lot of time per call

Ranking

% time	cumulative seconds	self seconds	calls	self ms/call	total ms/call	name
17.7	3.72	3.72	13786208	0.00	0.00	Ns_DStringNAppend [8]
6.1	5.00	1.28	107276	0.01	0.03	MakePath [10]
2.9	5.60	0.60	1555972	0.00	0.00	Ns_DStringFree [35]
2.7	6.18	0.58	1555965	0.00	0.00	Ns_DStringInit [36]
2.3	6.67	0.49	1507858	0.00	0.00	ns_realloc [40]
...	...	...	...	...	...	...

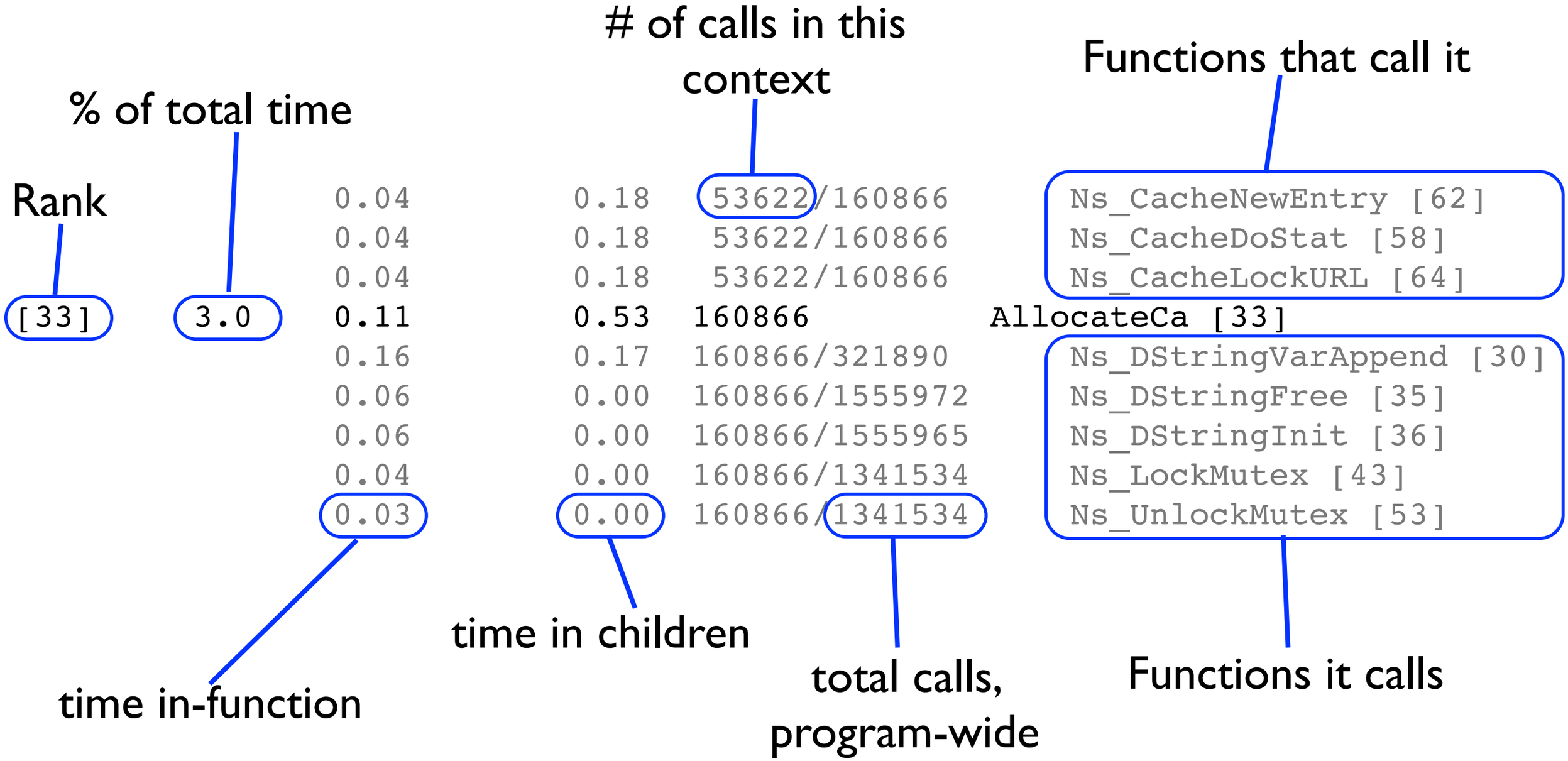
Time just in self

Noticeable time per call

24% of time in top two functions

Not that many calls.
Ergo, fairly heavyweight

The Call Graph



Stochastic Profiling

- Using the Debugger for profiling

Beware Convenience

```
TString *timestamp =
month + “/” + day + “/” + year + “ “
+ hours + “:” + minutes + “:”
+ seconds;
```

DTrace

```
syscall::read:entry
{
    self->ts = timestamp;
}
```

```
syscall::read:return
/self->ts/
{
    delta = timestamp - self->ts;
    @averagetime[execname] = avg(delta);
    @callcount[execname] = count();
    @mintime[execname] = min(delta);
    @maxtime[execname] = max(delta);
    self->ts = 0;
}
```

```
call count
       mDNSResponder 2
          emacs-i386 3
            Terminal 4
                 mds 6
           fseventsd 9
       VoodooPad Pro 270
              Safari 622
```

```
average time
            Terminal 7941
          emacs-i386 9985
       mDNSResponder 17781
              Safari 24666
       VoodooPad Pro 55339
          fseventsd 527863979
                 mds 551164939
```

The Point

- How much time was spent in X
  - Who called it, how often, how much time
- Whom does X call
  - How often, how much time

For Example...

- I spent 10 seconds runtime, 10% of my app in drawing a ride profile.
- I drew it 300 times in the space of four minutes from the ride screen.
  (That's a reasonable number given the app)
- Oh look, it called UIImage initWithFoobage 300 times. For the same image. I can cache that"

For Example...

- I spent 50 seconds runtime in Core Graphics out of 3 minutes of application run time.
- I called a bunch of functions, all of which bottlenecked down to ConvertCYMKToRGB, spending most of the time in that utility function.
- I can pre-convert those images at build time to avoid this work at run time”

So, what can be slow?

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- CPU
- Memory
- Disk / File System
- Network
- Power
- Graphics

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CPU

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- Processors are pegged and fans are revving
- Usually means you're doing too much work
  - Bad algorithm
  - Wrong Data Structure
  - Over-eager processing
- Spread the work over more cores

The Free Lunch Is Over

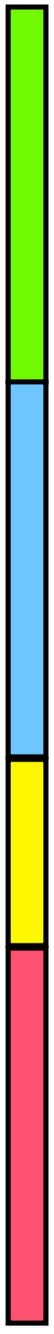
- It's been over for awhile
- Moore's Law Continues
- Concurrency is Now!
- Optimization and Performance Tuning is important again

Algorithms and Data Structures Are Important

- Be aware of the computational complexity of the tools you use.
  - Some are documented
  - Some you can infer
  - Some you can determine experimentally

Orders of Complexity

			Processing 1000 items
O(1)	Constant	Indexing a C array Hash table lookup	1
O(log n)	Logarithmic	Binary search Search in balanced tree	10
O(n)	Linear	Search in linked list Inserting into C array	1,000
O(n log n)	n log n	Most sorts	10,000
$O(n^2)$	Quadratic	Bubble sort	1,000,000
$O(c^n)$	Exponential	Recursive Fibonacci	1.07×10^{301}
O(n!)	Factorial	Brute-Force Traveling Salesman	4.02×10^{2567}



What's wrong with this?

```
for (i = 0; i < strlen(string); i++) {
    char ch = string[i];
    // ...
}
```

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}
```

O(n)

O(n) done O(n) times == $O(n^2)$

Check the Headers

CFArray.h

"The access time for a value in the array is guaranteed to be at worst O(lg n) for any implementation, current and future, but will often be O(1) (constant time).

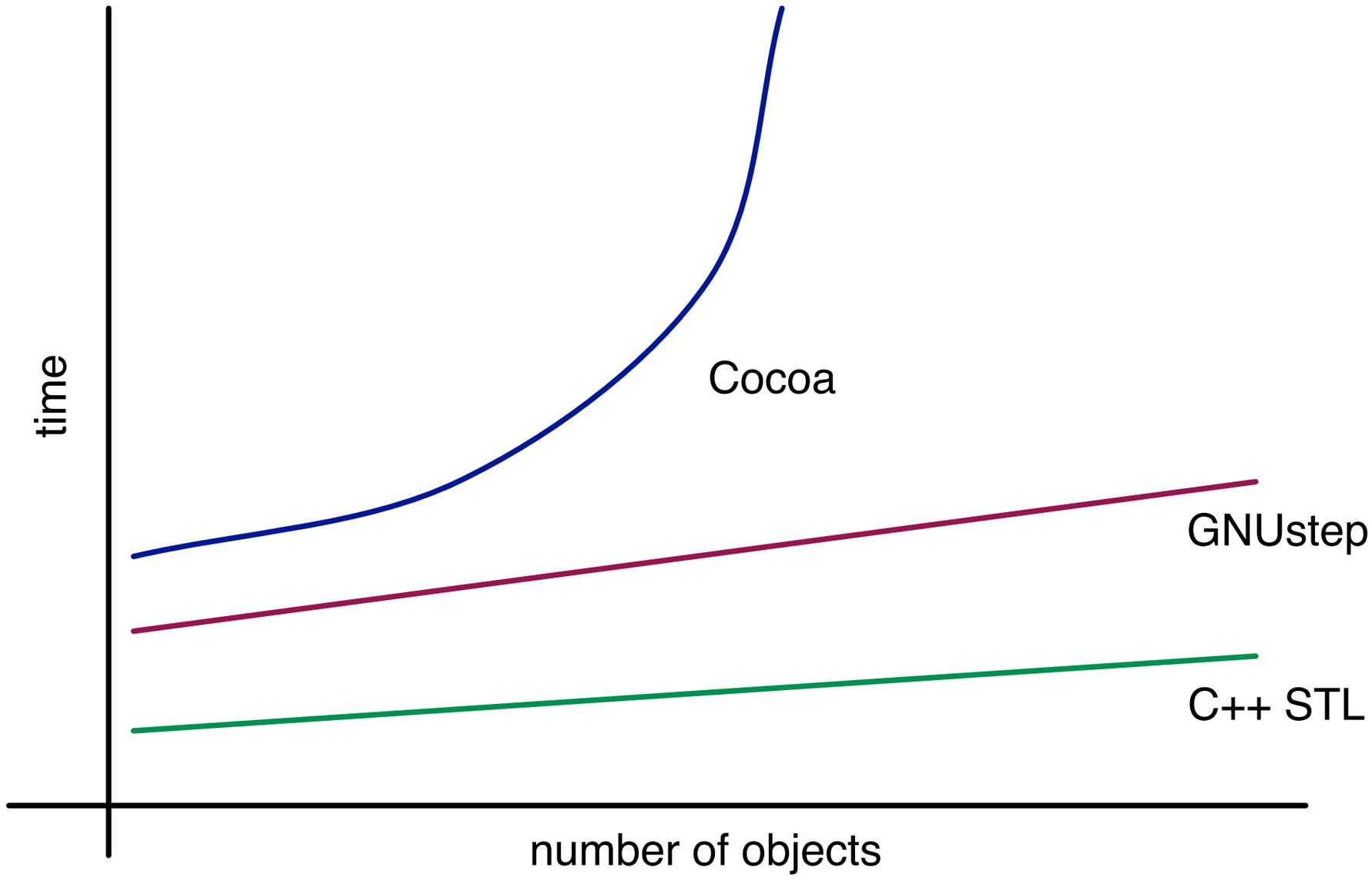
Linear search operations similarly have a worst case complexity of O(n log n), though typically the bounds will be tighter, and so on"

Collection Meltdown

- "MarkD, why does Cocoa Suck So Much?"
- "I'm putting 4 million objects into an NSArray, and it never finishes processing"

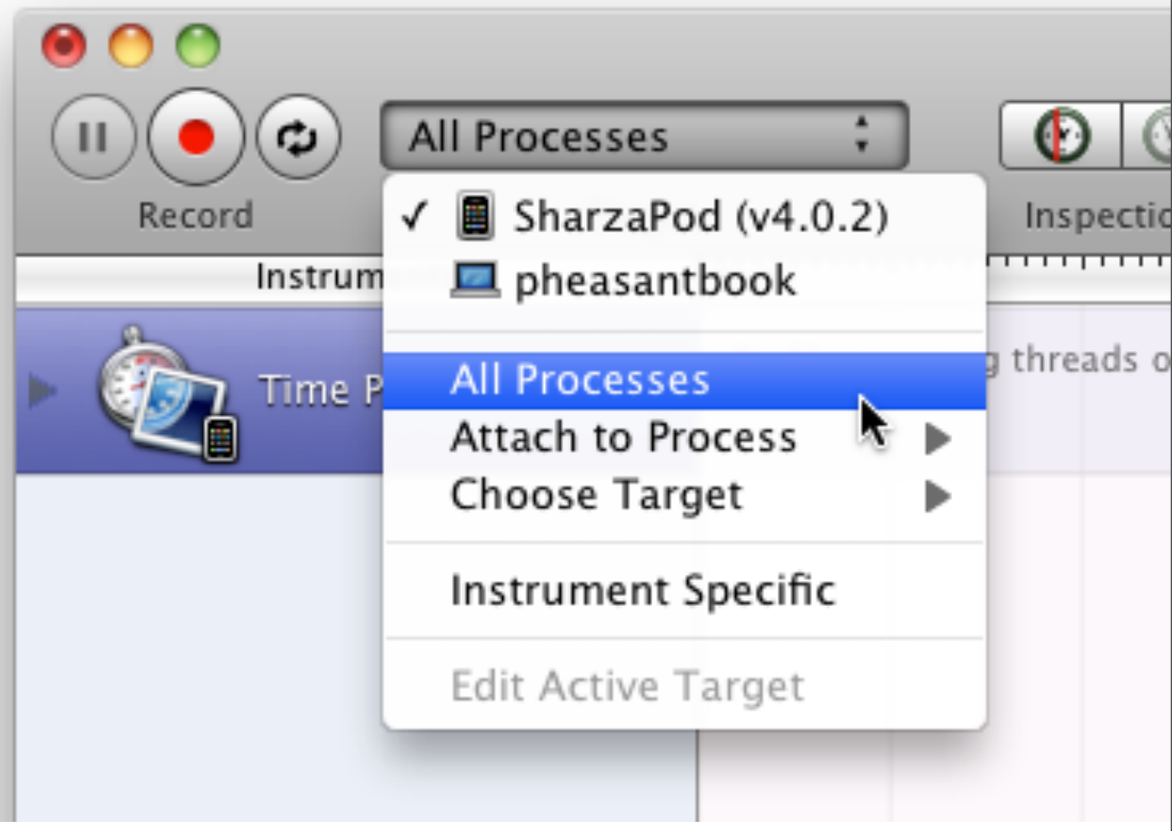
Run Time

4 meeeeeelion objects



Time Profiler Instrument

- gprof on steroids
- Can target one process
- Or the system as a whole
  - even the phone



Demo

- See where stuff is chewing a lot of CPU time

(Business Monitor)

Memory

Memory

- Memory is the New I/O

The G5 can do 16 to 50 vector adds in the time it takes to load a cache line (a sequence of bytes) from memory

Vector code that converts unsigned char data to float and then applies a 9th order polynomial to it is still marginally faster than hand-tuned scalar code that does a lookup into a 256 entry lookup table containing floats.

Locality Of Reference

- How close memory operations are to each other
- Sequential operations are most efficient
- Cache Lines
- Hard to control without work

Locality Of Reference

```
#define ARRAYSIZE (10000)
int a[ARRAYSIZE][ARRAYSIZE]; // make a huge array

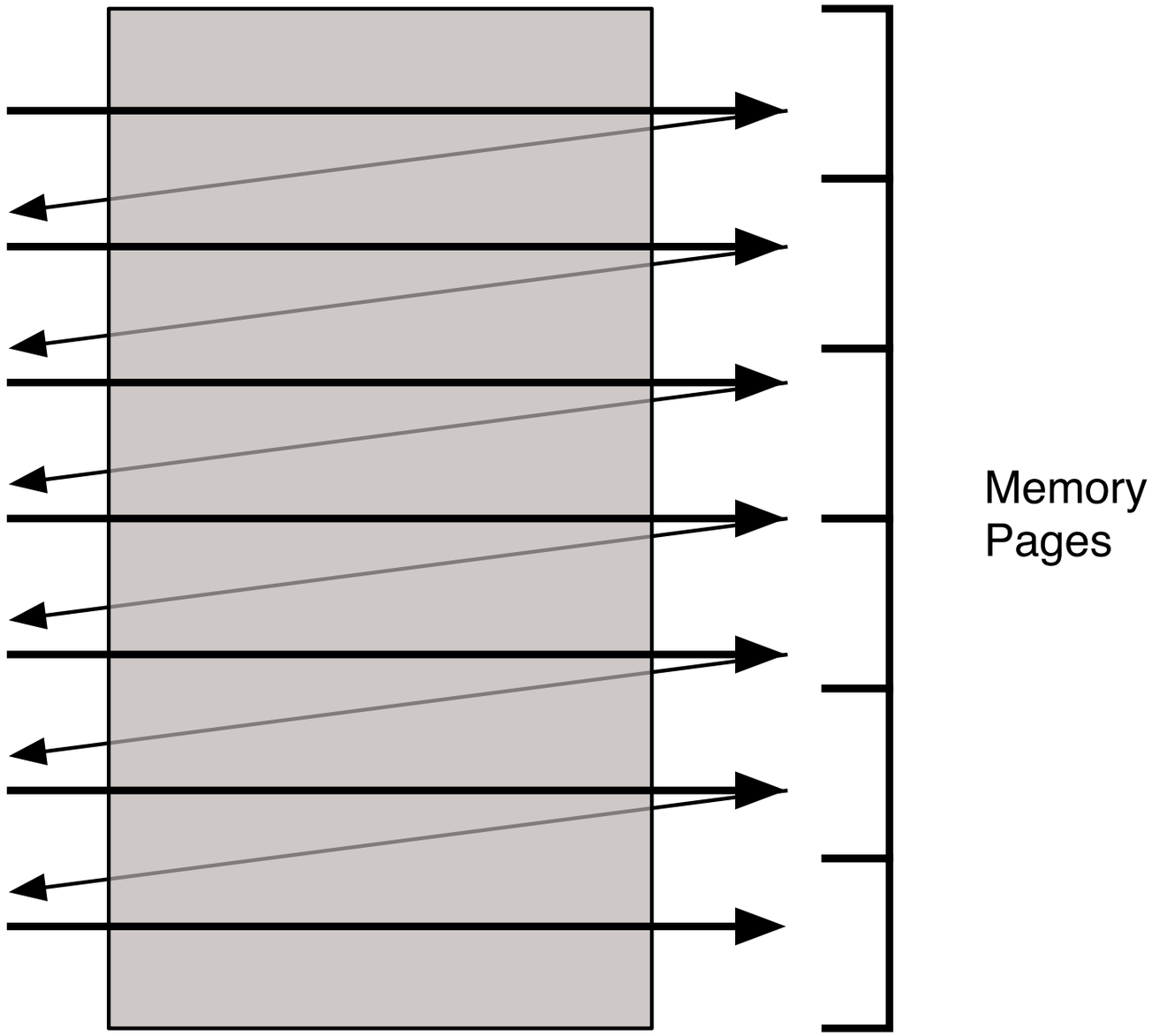
    for (i = 0; i < ARRAYSIZE; i++){
        for(j = 0; j < ARRAYSIZE; j++){
            a[i][j] = 1;
        }
    }

    for (i = 0; i < ARRAYSIZE; i++){
        for(j = 0; j < ARRAYSIZE; j++){
            a[j][i] = 1;
        }
    }
```

```
% ./locality
100000000 i,j operations in 21 seconds.
100000000 j,i operations in 106 seconds.
```

Holy quintuplets, Batman!

Good Access Pattern



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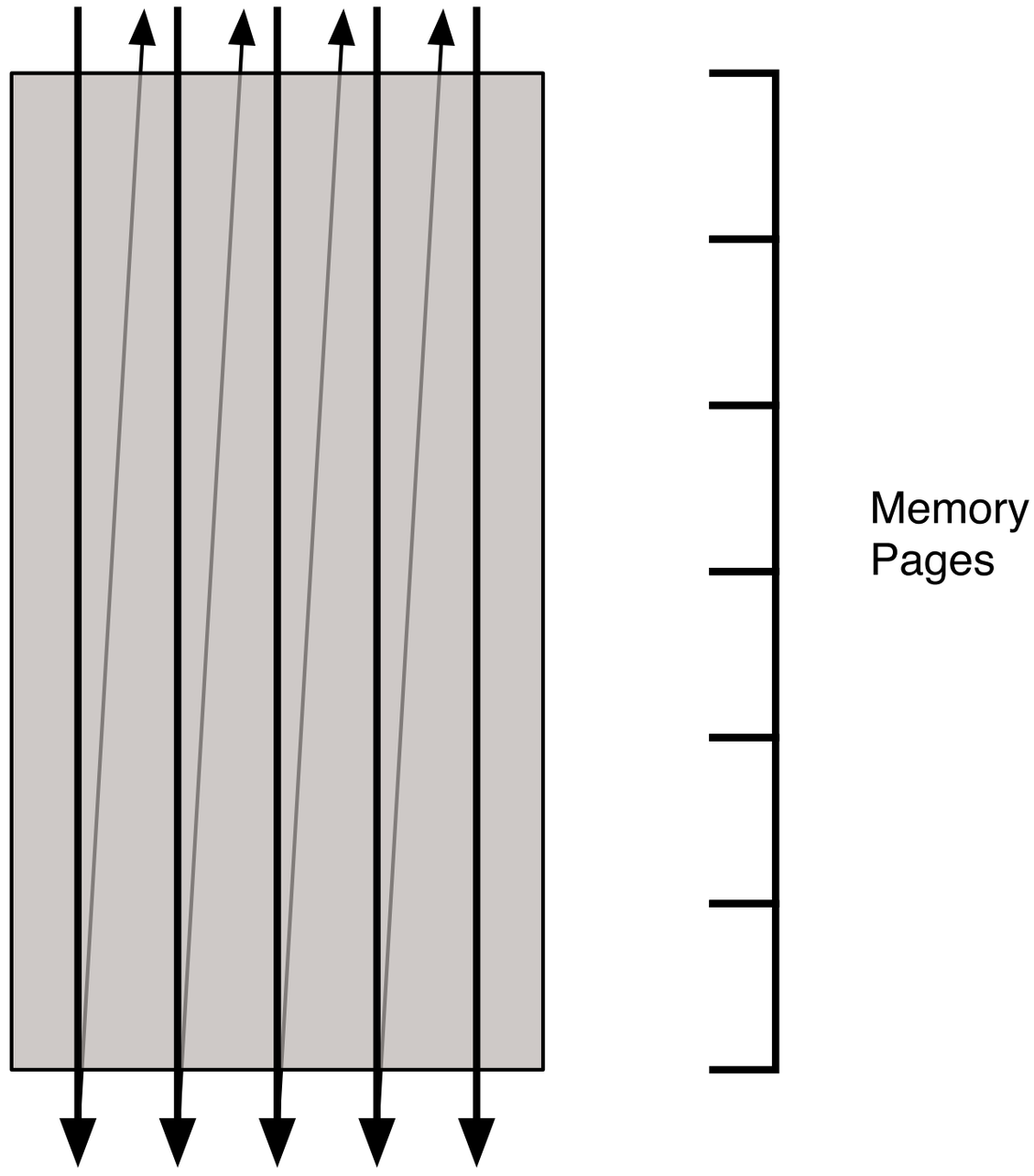

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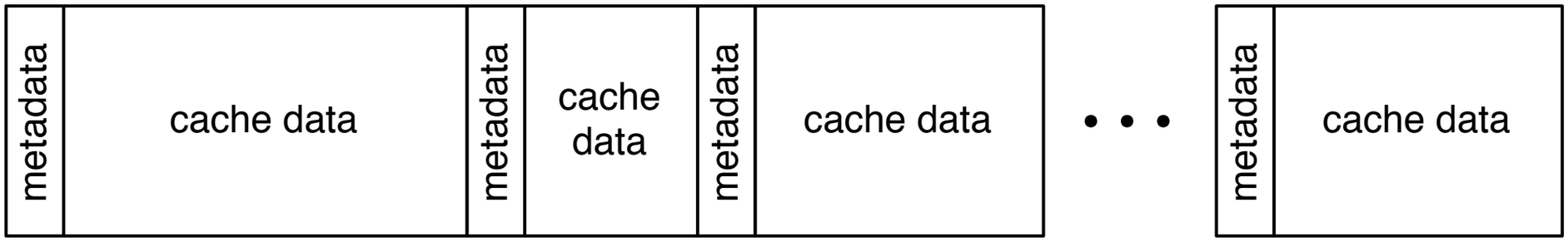
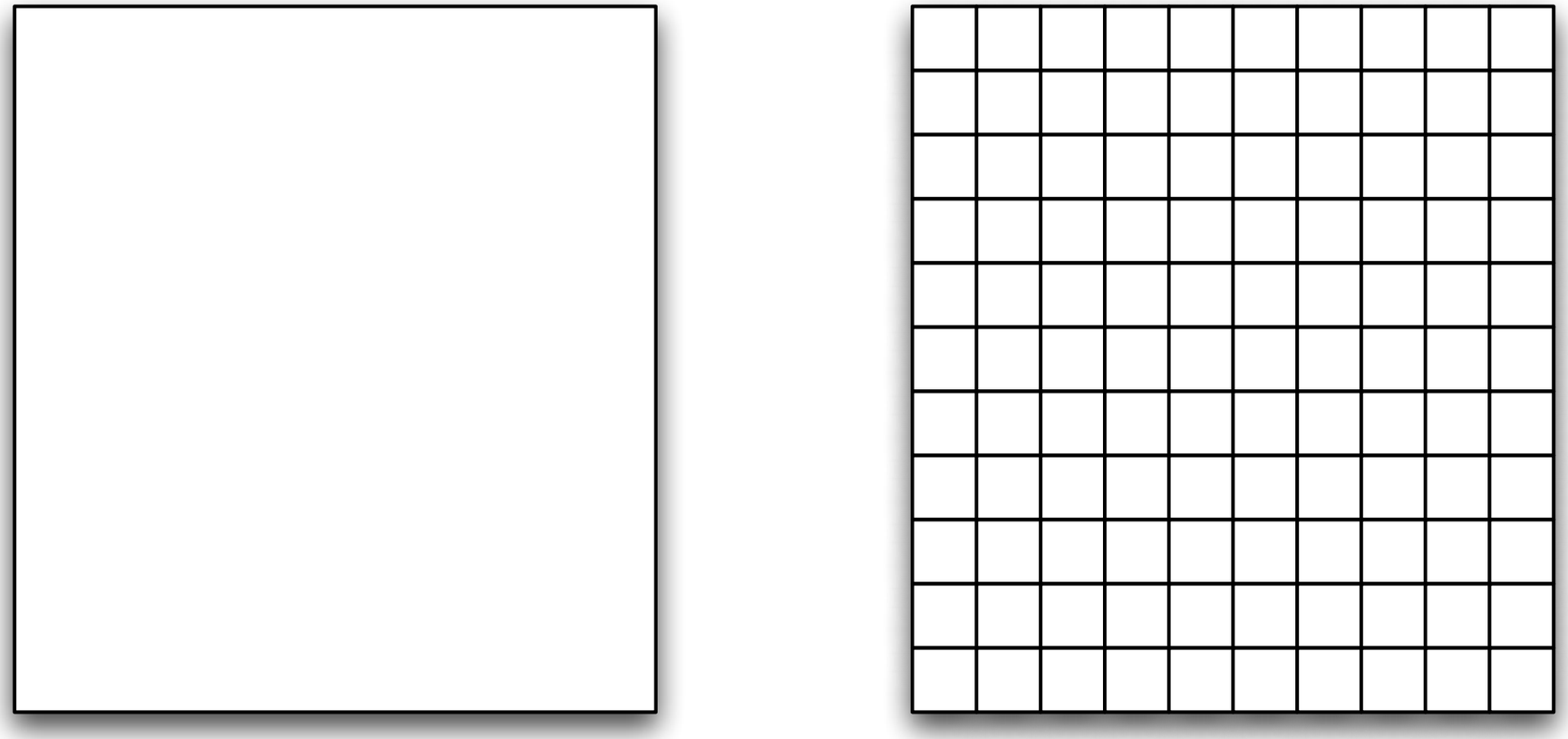


Good Locality

Dynamic Memory is expensive

- malloc
- +alloc
- operator new

Block suballocation



base = malloc(100 * sizeof(node))

subdivided into nodes

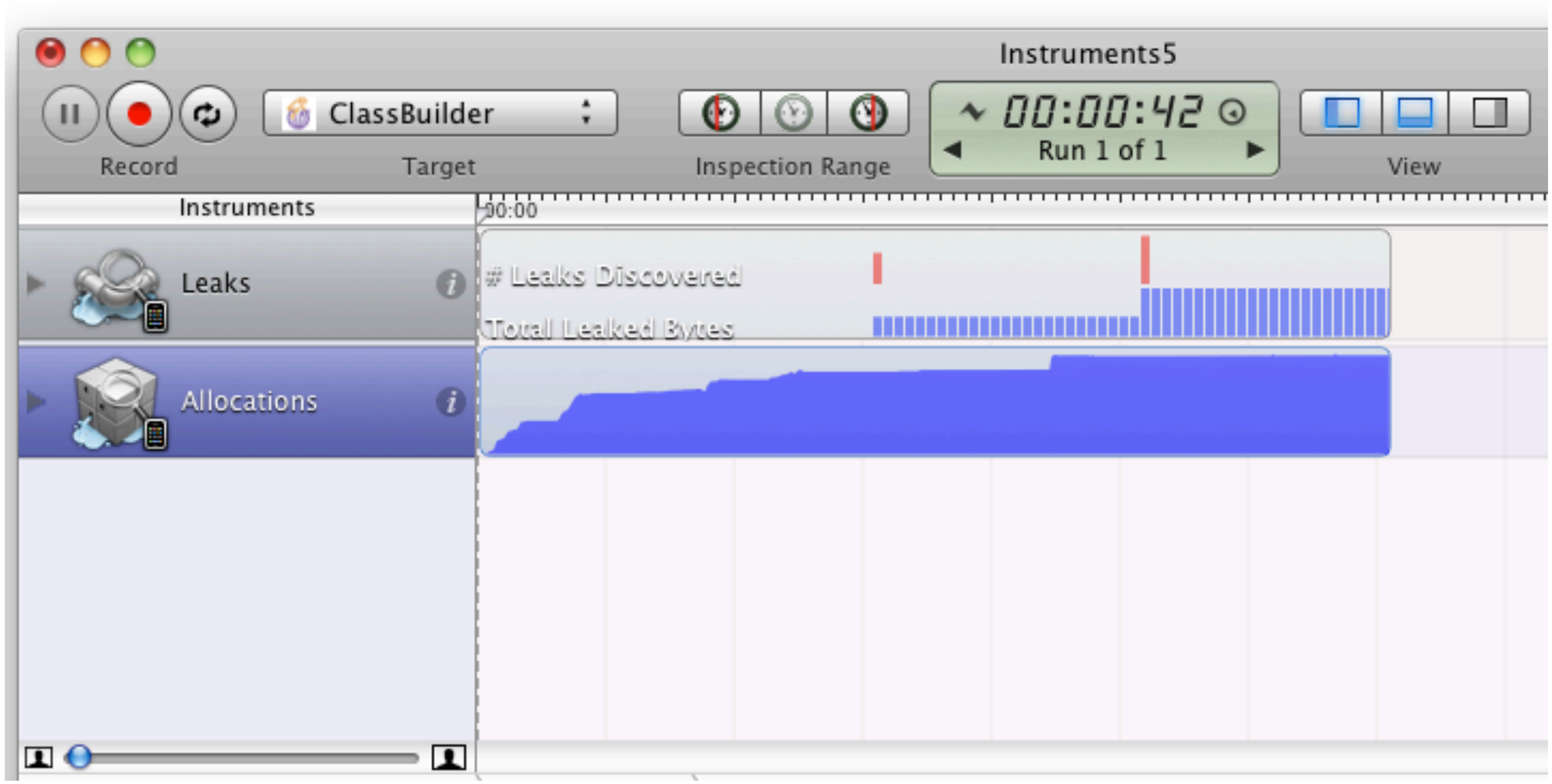
address of node x at

```
base + (x * sizeof(node))
```

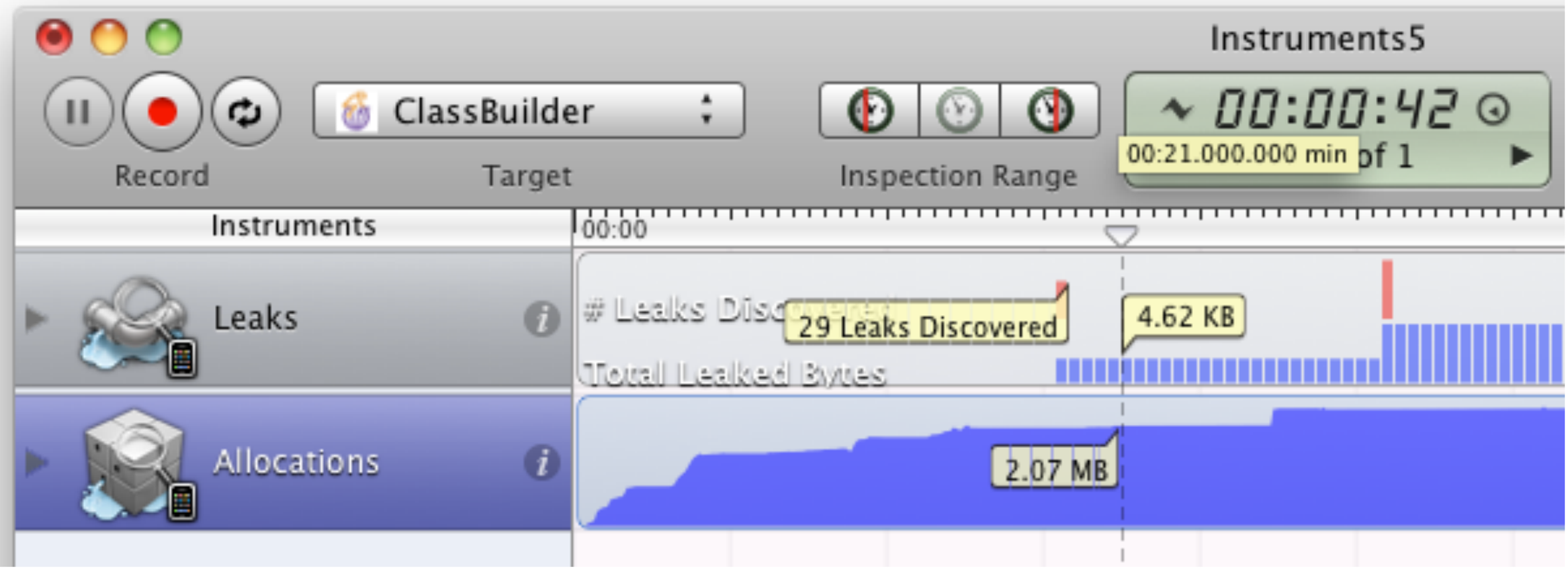
Oh, and fix your leaks

- Leaked / Abandoned memory not usually an immediate performance issue
- Can bite you if memory builds up

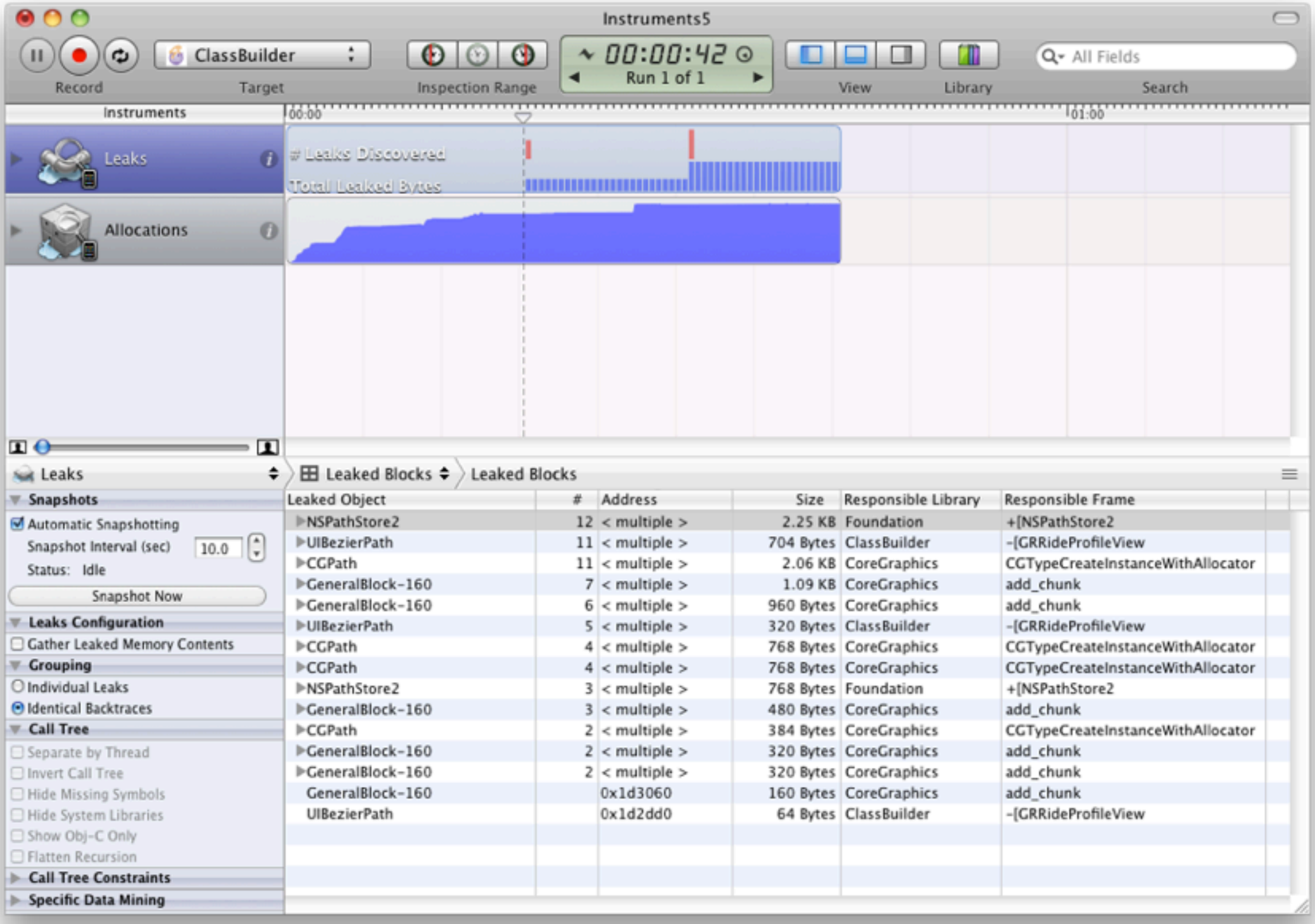
Memory Instruments



Playhead Messages



Look at the Leaked Blocks



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CGPath	4	< multiple >	768 Bytes	CoreGraphics	CGTypeCreateInstanceWithAllocator
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NSPathStore2	3	< multiple >	768 Bytes	Foundation	+[NSPathStore2
GeneralBlock-160	3	< multiple >	480 Bytes	CoreGraphics	add_chunk
CGPath	2	< multiple >	384 Bytes	CoreGraphics	CGTypeCreateInstanceWithAllocator
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GeneralBlock-160		0x1d3060	160 Bytes	CoreGraphics	add_chunk
UIBezierPath		0x1d2dd0	64 Bytes	ClassBuilder	-[GRRideProfileView

Look at the Leaked Blocks

Probably the culprit

Leaked Blocks ⬍ › Leaked Blocks

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Seems to be a pattern

List o' blocks

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UIBezierPath		0x1b4360	64 Bytes	ClassBuilder	-[GRRideProfileView
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UIBezierPath		0x1ac940	64 Bytes	ClassBuilder	-[GRRideProfileView
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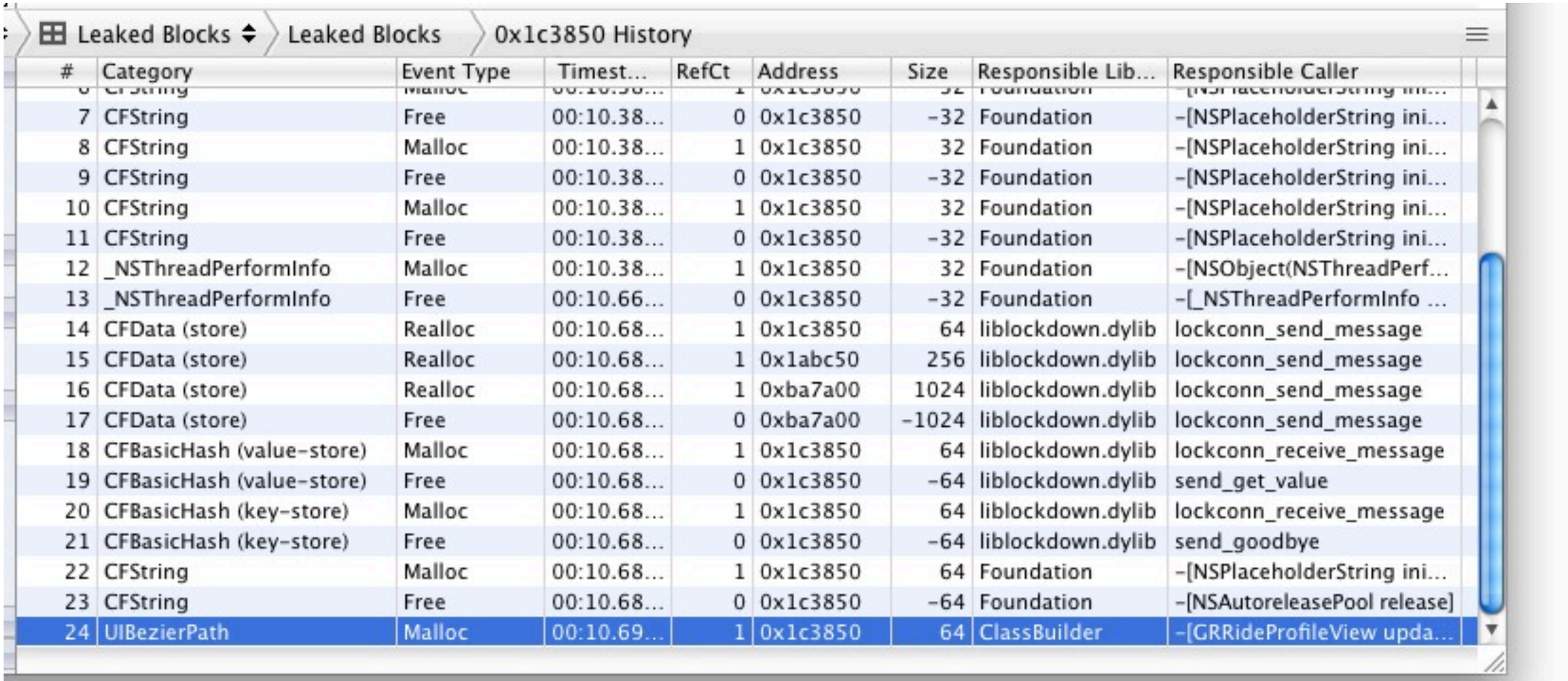
Allocation History



#	Category	Event Type	Timest…	RefCt	Address	Size	Responsible Lib…	Responsible Caller
7	CFString	Free	00:10.38…	0	0x1c3850	-32	Foundation	-[NSPlaceholderString ini…
8	CFString	Malloc	00:10.38…	1	0x1c3850	32	Foundation	-[NSPlaceholderString ini…
9	CFString	Free	00:10.38…	0	0x1c3850	-32	Foundation	-[NSPlaceholderString ini…
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11	CFString	Free	00:10.38…	0	0x1c3850	-32	Foundation	-[NSPlaceholderString ini…
12	_NSThreadPerformInfo	Malloc	00:10.38…	1	0x1c3850	32	Foundation	-[NSObject(NSThreadPerf…
13	_NSThreadPerformInfo	Free	00:10.66…	0	0x1c3850	-32	Foundation	-[_NSThreadPerformInfo …
14	CFData (store)	Realloc	00:10.68…	1	0x1c3850	64	liblockdown.dylib	lockconn_send_message
15	CFData (store)	Realloc	00:10.68…	1	0x1abc50	256	liblockdown.dylib	lockconn_send_message
16	CFData (store)	Realloc	00:10.68…	1	0xba7a00	1024	liblockdown.dylib	lockconn_send_message
17	CFData (store)	Free	00:10.68…	0	0xba7a00	-1024	liblockdown.dylib	lockconn_send_message
18	CFBasicHash (value-store)	Malloc	00:10.68…	1	0x1c3850	64	liblockdown.dylib	lockconn_receive_message
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20	CFBasicHash (key-store)	Malloc	00:10.68…	1	0x1c3850	64	liblockdown.dylib	lockconn_receive_message
21	CFBasicHash (key-store)	Free	00:10.68…	0	0x1c3850	-64	liblockdown.dylib	send_goodbye
22	CFString	Malloc	00:10.68…	1	0x1c3850	64	Foundation	-[NSPlaceholderString ini…
23	CFString	Free	00:10.68…	0	0x1c3850	-64	Foundation	-[NSAutoreleasePool release]
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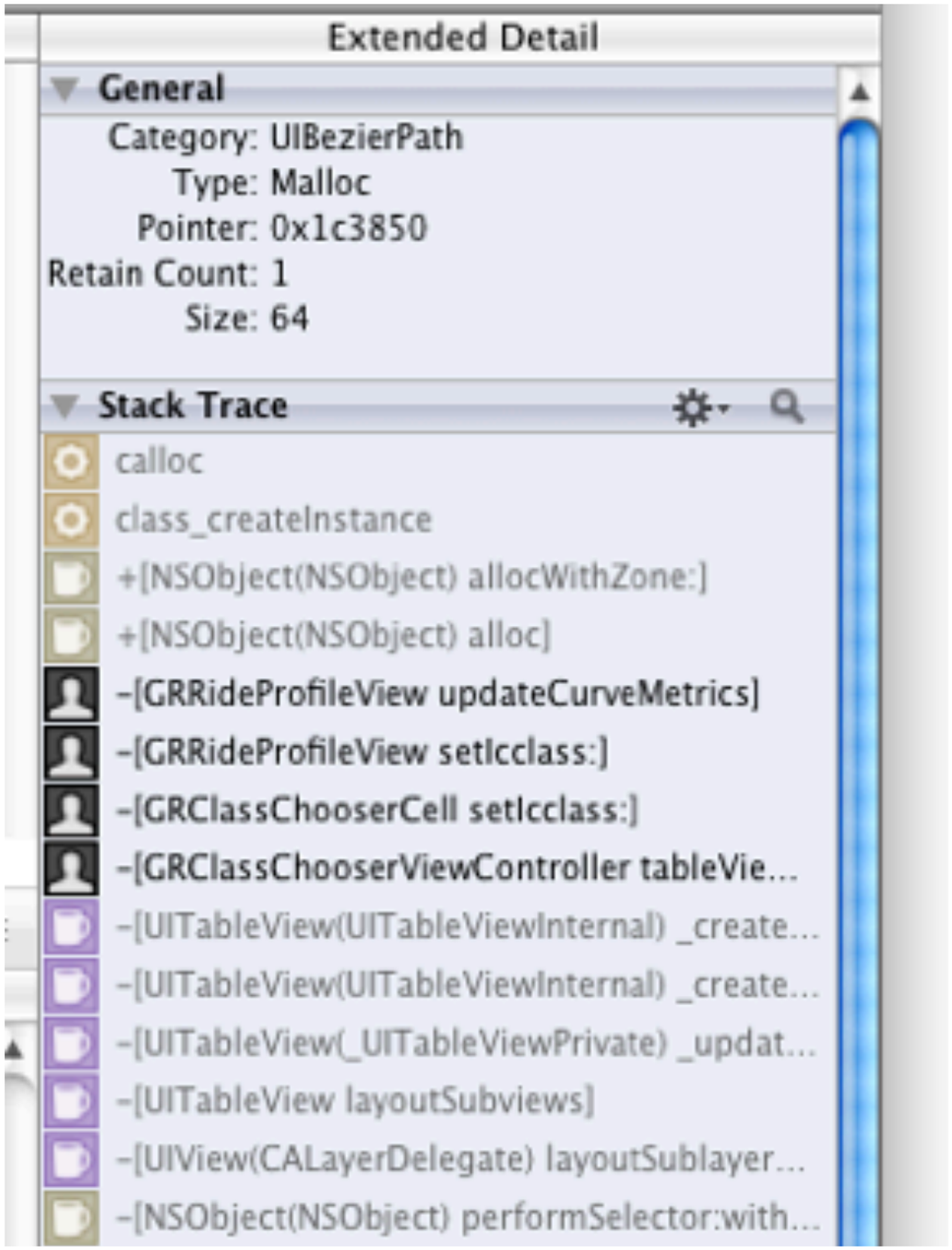
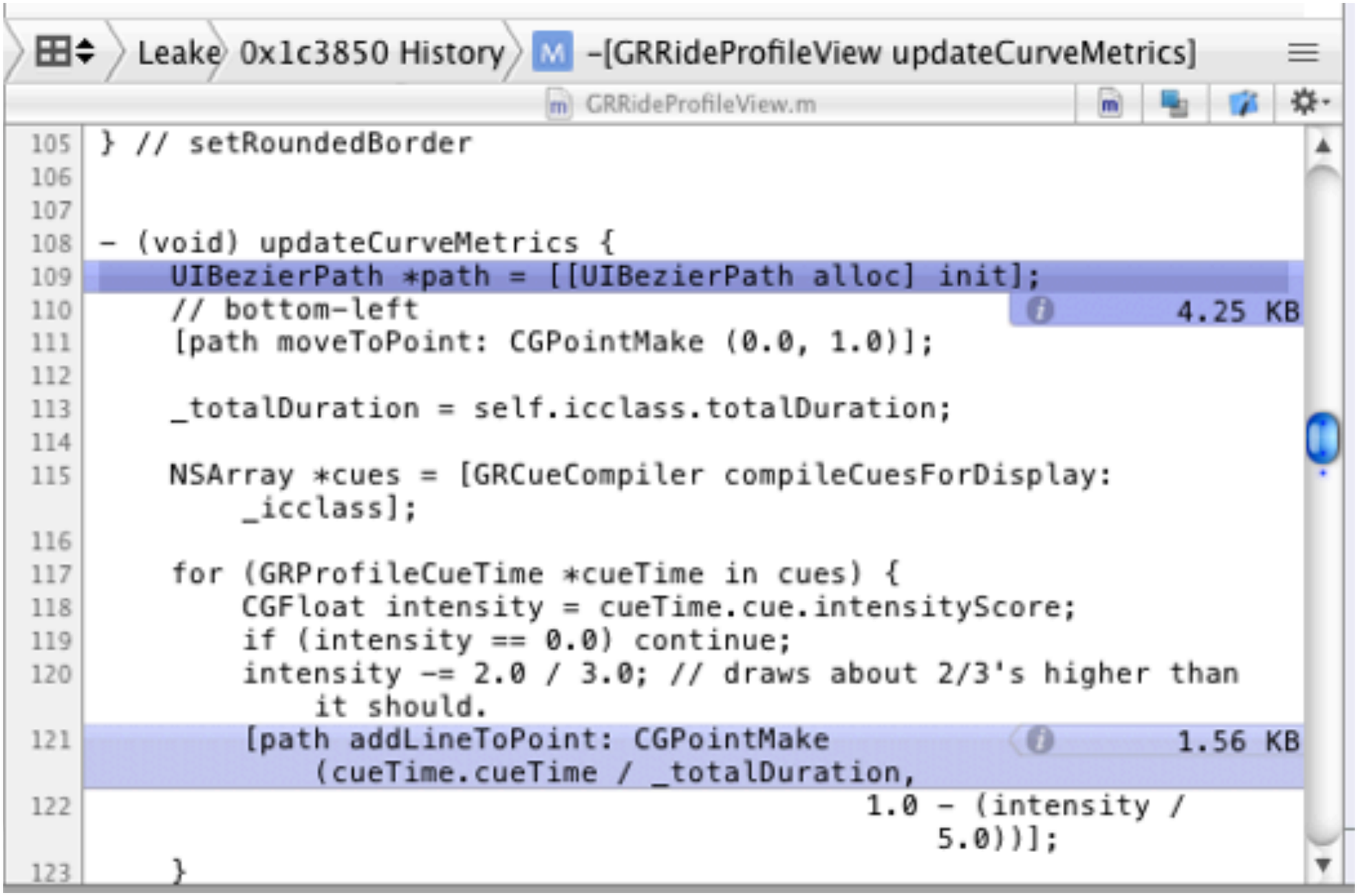
Stack Trace


Extended Detail
General
Category: UIBezierPath
Type: Malloc
Pointer: 0x1c3850
Retain Count: 1
Size: 64
Stack Trace
calloc
class_createInstance
+[NSObject(NSObject) allocWithZone:]
+[NSObject(NSObject) alloc]
-[GRRideProfileView updateCurveMetrics]
-[GRRideProfileView setIcclass:]
-[GRClassChooserCell setIcclass:]
-[GRClassChooserViewController tableVie...
-[UITableView(UITableViewInternal) _create...
-[UITableView(UITableViewInternal) _create...
-[UITableView(_UITableViewPrivate) _updat...
-[UITableView layoutSubviews]
-[UIView(CALayerDelegate) layoutSublayer...
-[NSObject(NSObject) performSelector:with...

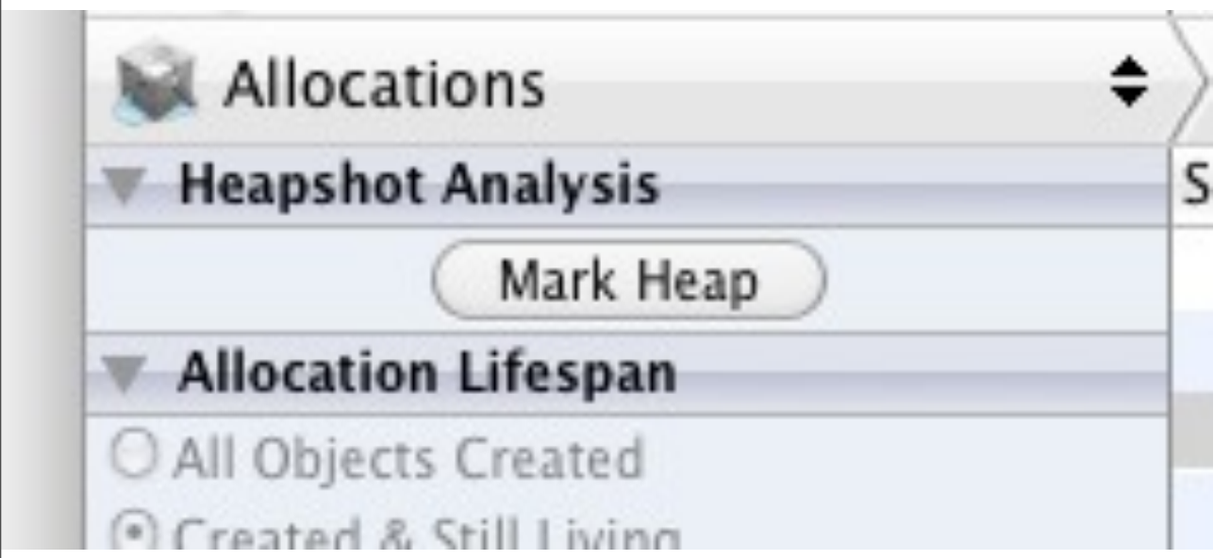
The Culprit


Leake 0x1c3850 History
-[GRRideProfileView updateCurveMetrics]
GRRideProfileView.m
105 } // setRoundedBorder
106
107
108 - (void) updateCurveMetrics {
109 UIBezierPath *path = [[UIBezierPath alloc] init];
4.25 KB
110 // bottom-left
111 [path moveToPoint: CGPointMake (0.0, 1.0)];
112
113 _totalDuration = self.icclass.totalDuration;
114
115 NSArray *cues = [GRCueCompiler compileCuesForDisplay:
_icclass];
116
117 for (GRProfileCueTime *cueTime in cues) {
118 CGFloat intensity = cueTime.cue.intensityScore;
119 if (intensity == 0.0) continue;
120 intensity -= 2.0 / 3.0; // draws about 2/3's higher than
it should.
121 [path addLineToPoint: CGPointMake
1.56 KB
(cueTime.cueTime / _totalDuration,
122 1.0 - (intensity /
5.0))];
123 }

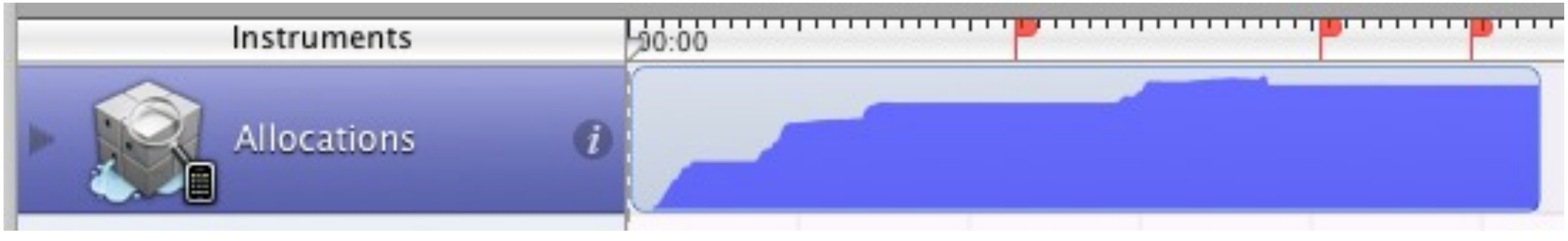
Abandoned Memory

- Leaked : allocated memory with no reference
- Abandoned : referenced, but not used
  - Left over caches
  - View added to superview and never removed
  - Harder to detect, more false positives

HeapShots



- Mark a heap to create a baseline
- Mark it again (and again, and again)
- Diff two heapshots to see what's new



Tableview Crash

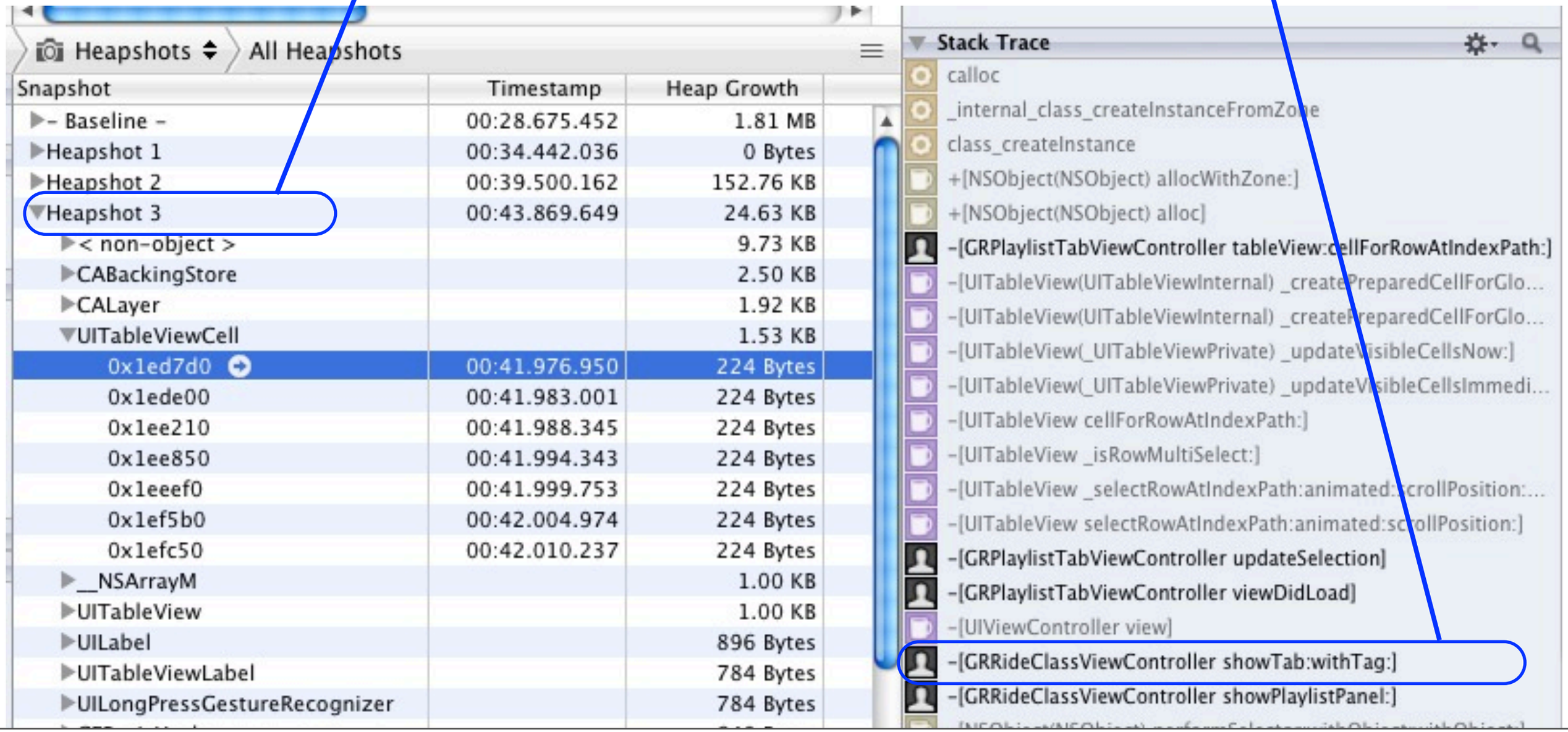
Heapshots ▸ All Heapshots

Snapshot	Timestamp	Heap Growth	# Persistent
▶ – Baseline –	00:28.675.452	1.81 MB	24909
▶ Heapshot 1	00:34.442.036	0 Bytes	0
▶ Heapshot 2	00:39.500.162	152.76 KB	1080
▶ Heapshot 3	00:43.869.649	24.63 KB	501
▶ Heapshot 4	00:51.359.704	51.77 KB	1067
▶ Heapshot 5	00:55.595.855	23.87 KB	494

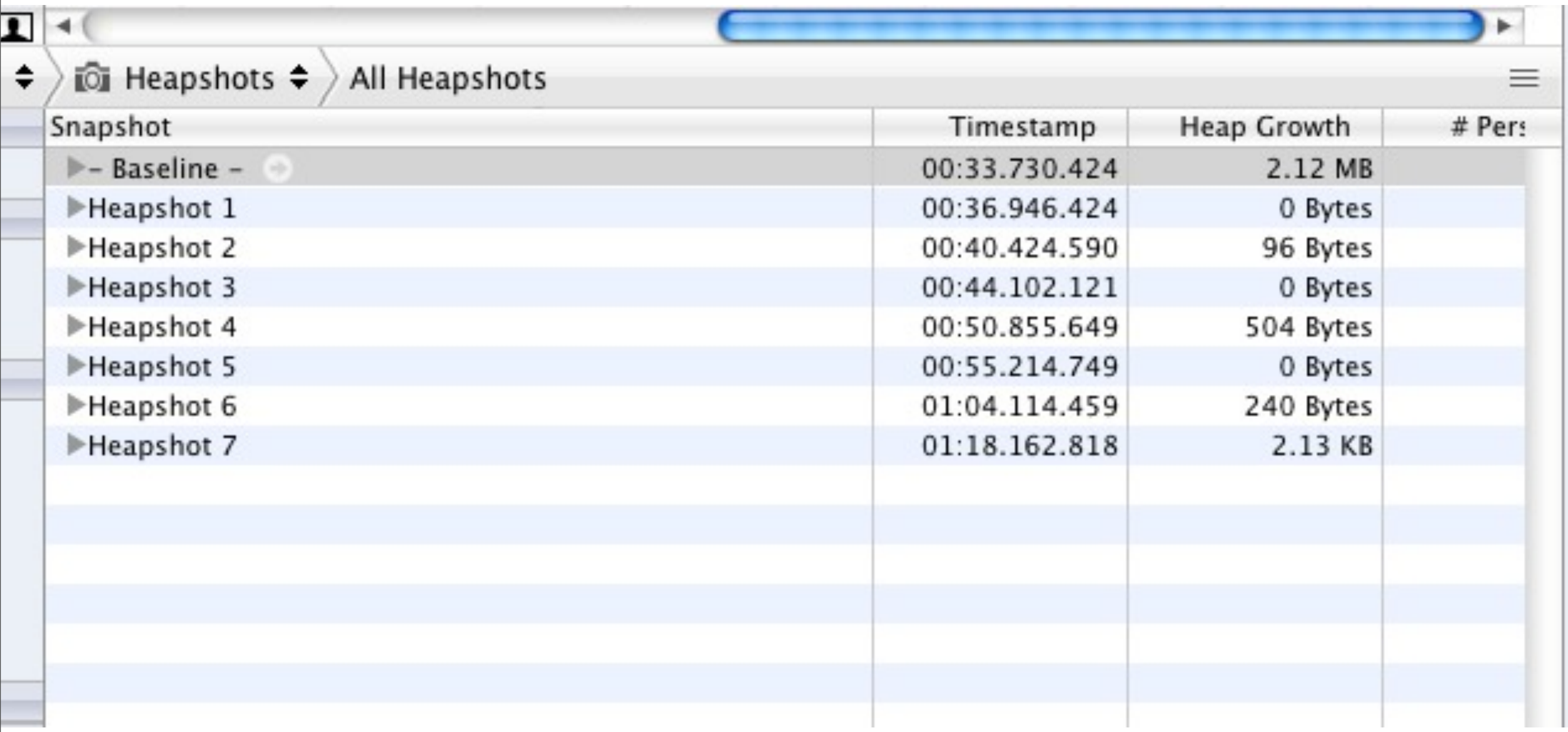
Looking at a Heapshot

Heapshot of interest

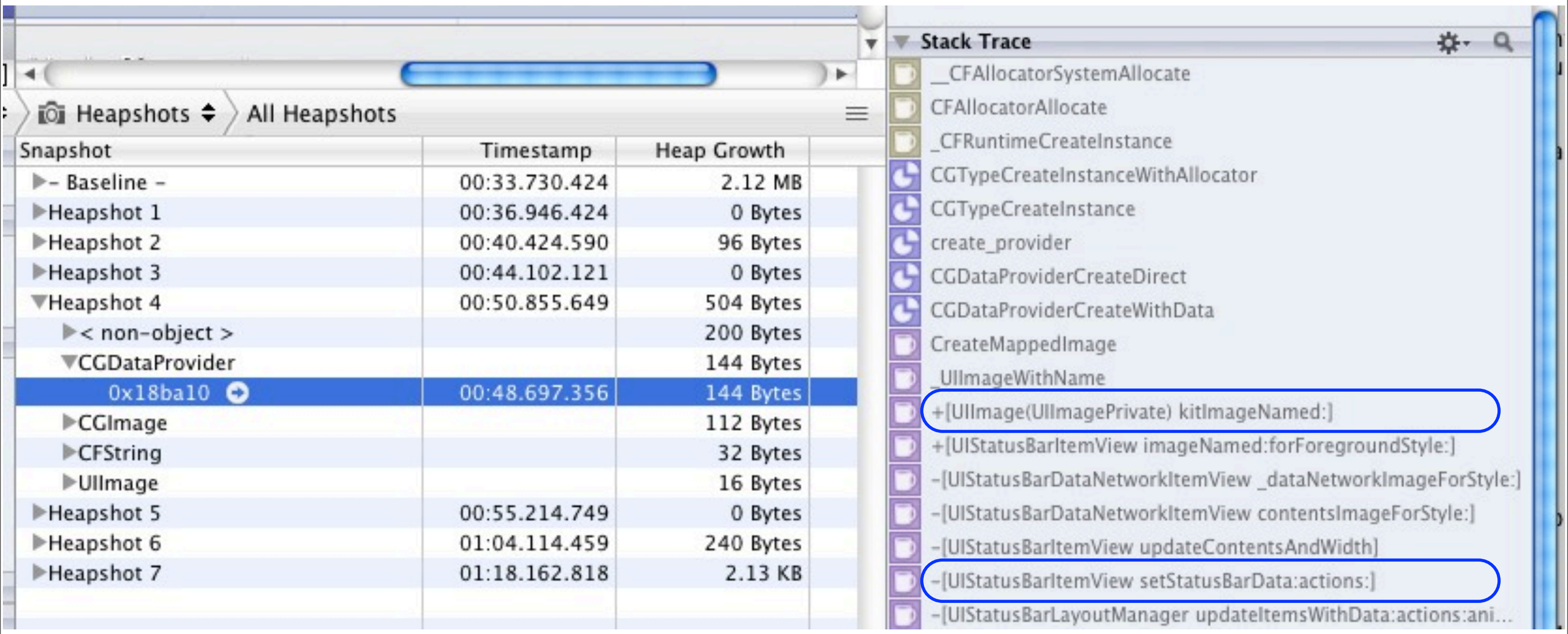
Initiated the load



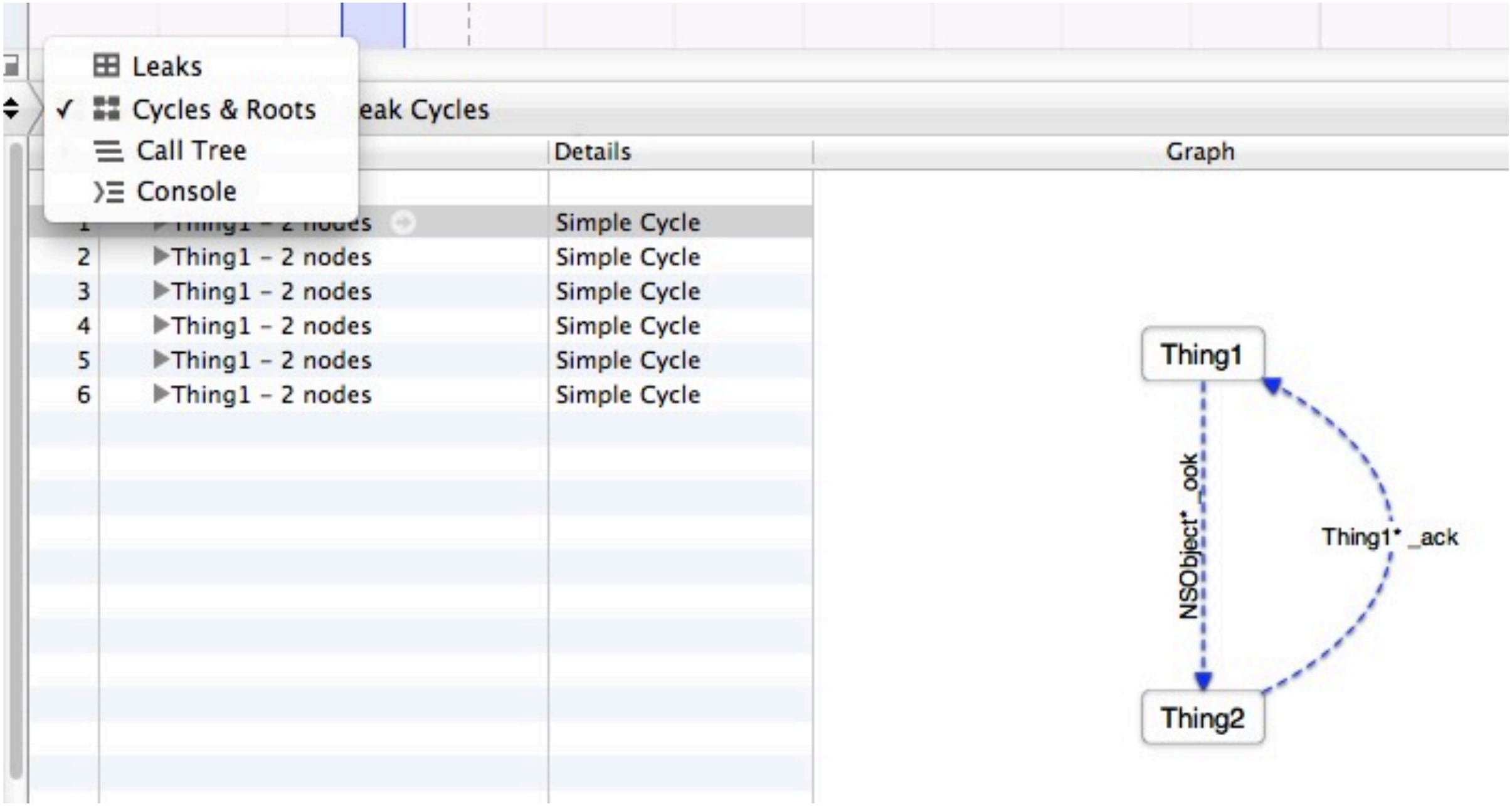
After the Fix



From the System



Retain Cycles



Disk / File System

Disk / File System

- **Extremely** slow
  - SSDs helping, but still slow
- Large files have locality of reference
- Avoid when you can

fs_usage

```
18:24:32  close                                          0.000053   Safari
18:24:32  select                                         0.100163 W Safari
18:24:32  mkdir    /Users/markd/Library/Cookies          0.000027   Safari
18:24:32  open     ibrary/Cookies/Cookies.plist          0.000672   Safari
18:24:32  read                                           0.569160 W fseventsd
18:24:32  lstat    /Users/markd/Library/Cookies          0.000038   fseventsd
18:24:32  read                                           0.569514 W mds
18:24:32  select                                         0.100035 W Safari
18:24:32  select                                         0.100033 W Safari
18:24:32  write                                          0.004993 W Safari
18:24:32  close                                          0.000544   Safari
18:24:32  read                                           0.238500 W fseventsd
18:24:32  read                                           0.238142 W mds
18:24:32  fcntl                                          0.000018   mds
18:24:32  read                                           0.000021   Safari
18:24:32  sendto                                         0.000018   Safari
18:24:32  select                                         0.067144 W Safari
18:24:32  recvfro                                        0.000007   Safari
```

sc_usage

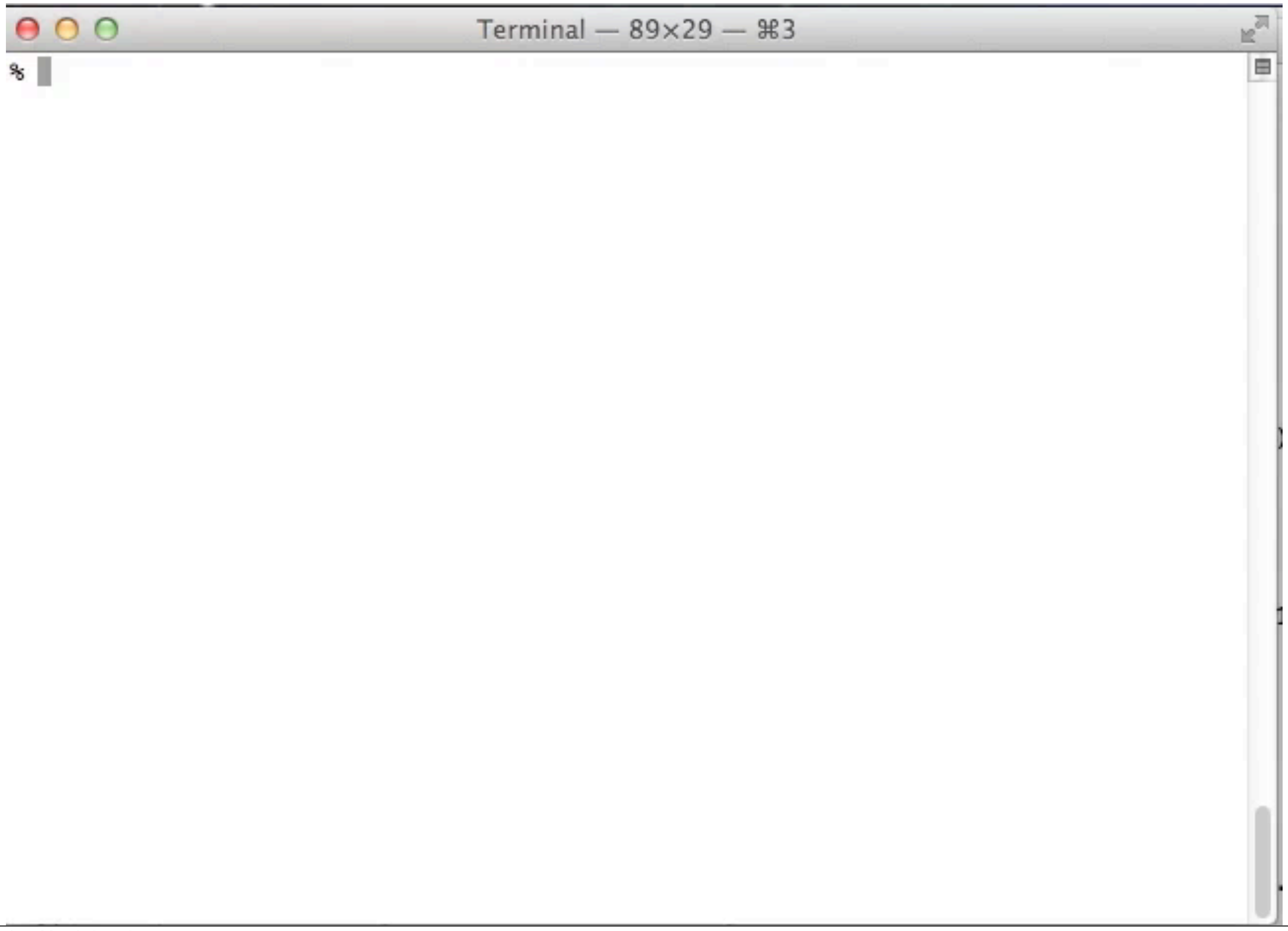
```
BigShow             0 preemptions     0 context switches     2 threads     18:27:18
                    0 faults          0 system calls                         0:00:43

TYPE                                  NUMBER         CPU_TIME    WAIT_TIME
-------------------------------------------------------------------------------
System          Idle                                             0:39.162( 0:00.903)
System          Busy                                             0:02.757( 0:00.100)
BigShow         Usermode                           0:00.184

mach_msg_trap                            323          0:00.003   0:41.342( 0:01.002) W
semwait_signal                             2          0:00.000   0:40.654( 0:01.002) W
mach_port_insert_member                    9          0:00.000   0:00.001
io_connect_method                         47          0:00.000   0:00.000
io_service_get_matching                    1          0:00.001   0:00.000
vm_deallocate                              5          0:00.000   0:00.000
munmap                                    48          0:00.000   0:00.000
getuid                                     1          0:00.000
geteuid                                    3          0:00.000

CURRENT_TYPE                 LAST_PATHNAME_WAITED_FOR     CUR_WAIT_TIME THRD# PRI
-------------------------------------------------------------------------------
mach_msg_trap                                                0:38.820    0   46
semwait_signal                                               0:40.653    1   47
```

sc_usage



Network

Network

- Networks can be slow, especially WAN
- Beware latency
- Don’t block the main thread
  - Like with DNS lookups
  - Prefer CFHost to gethostbyname2
- Double-buffer if you can

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Networking Best Practices

Tools You Can Use

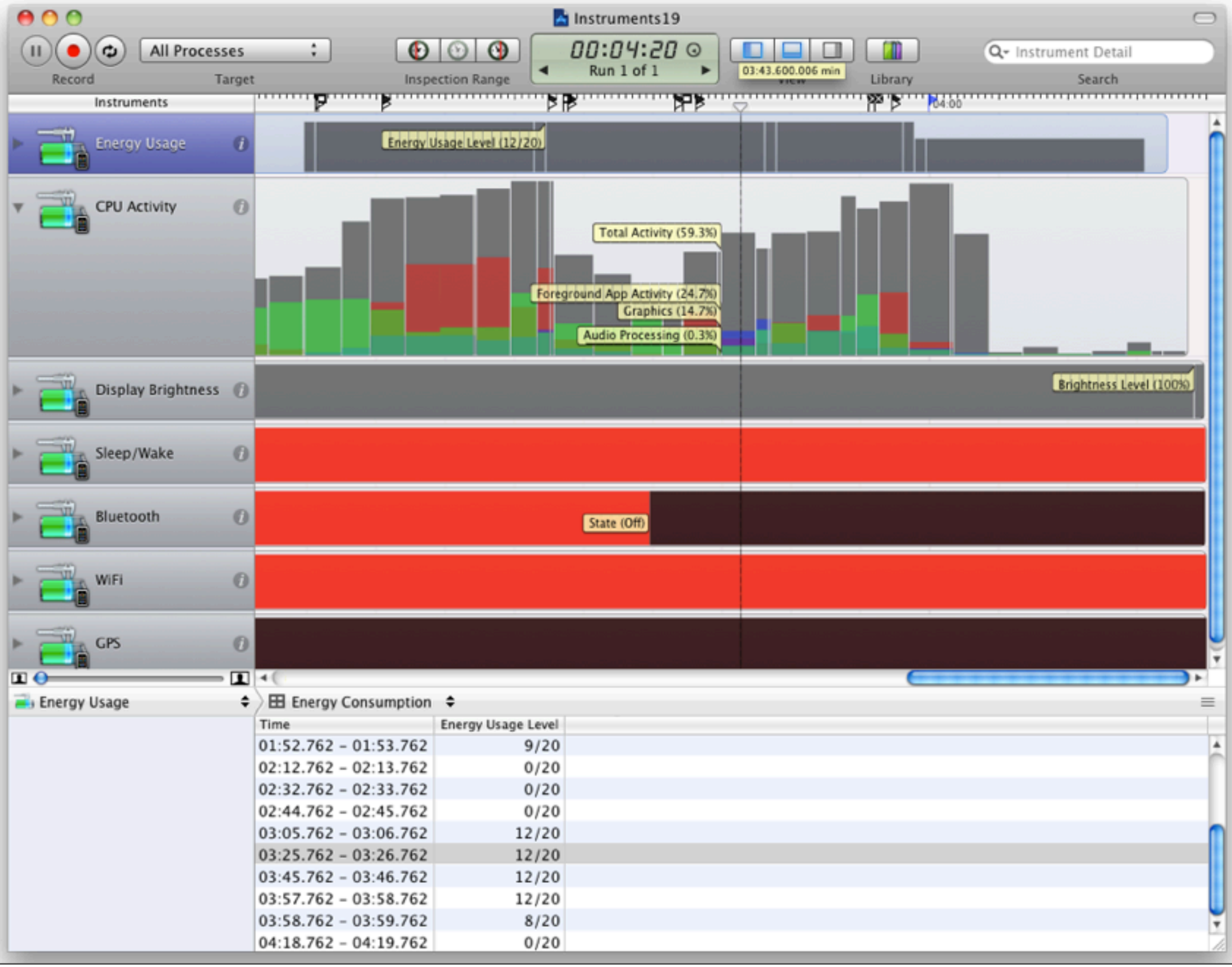
- Instruments
  - Network Activity Monitor
- Network Line Conditioner
- Charles web debugging proxy
- WireShark, etc

Power

Power

- Very important for mobile users - phones and laptops
- They're not happy if their phone shuts down in the middle of the day
- Usually fixed by fixing other problems, especially CPU and Graphics
- Try to be bursty in your use, letting the chip move to a low-power state when waiting for the user

So Much Power *It's Just Ridiculous*

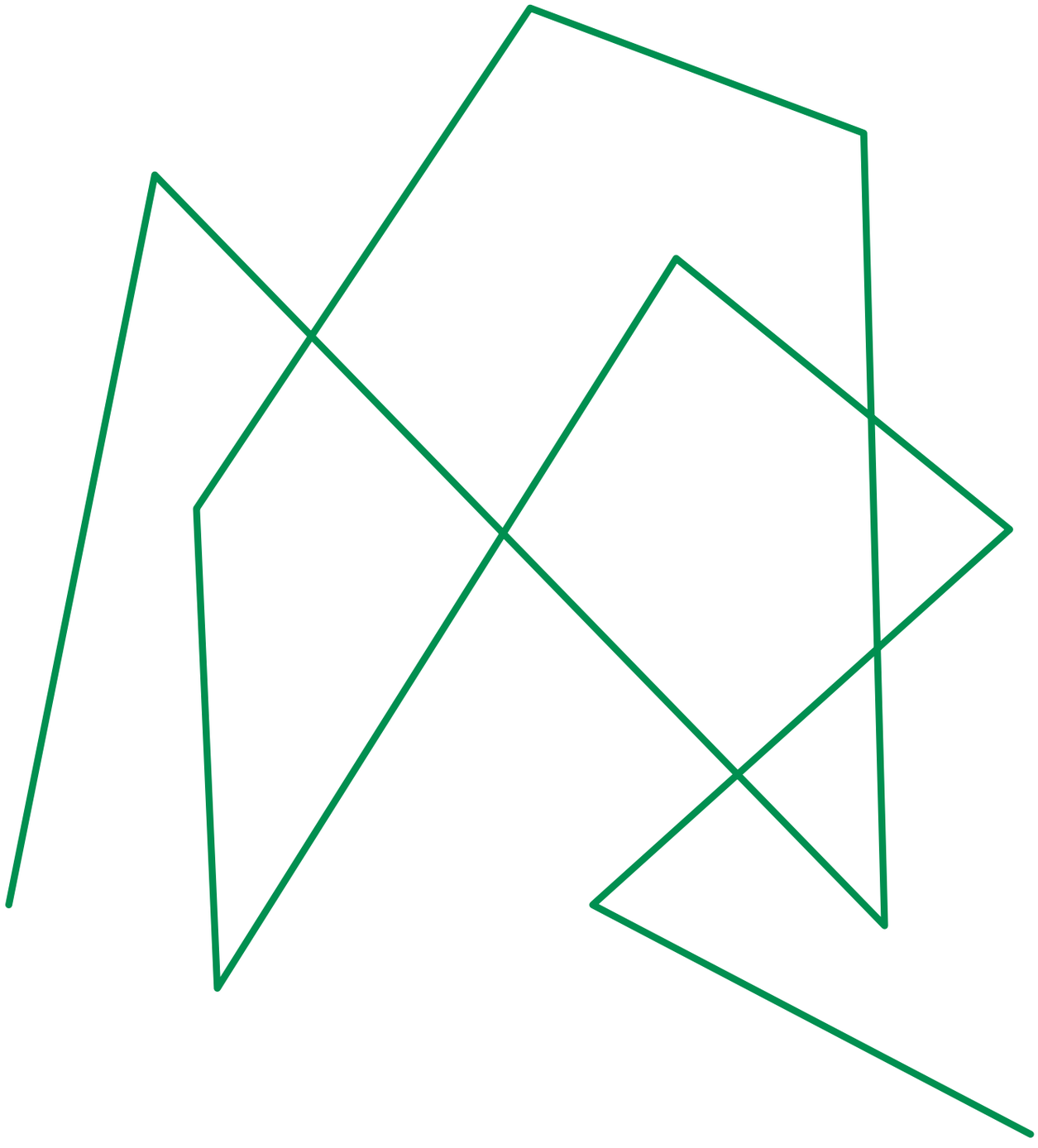


Graphics

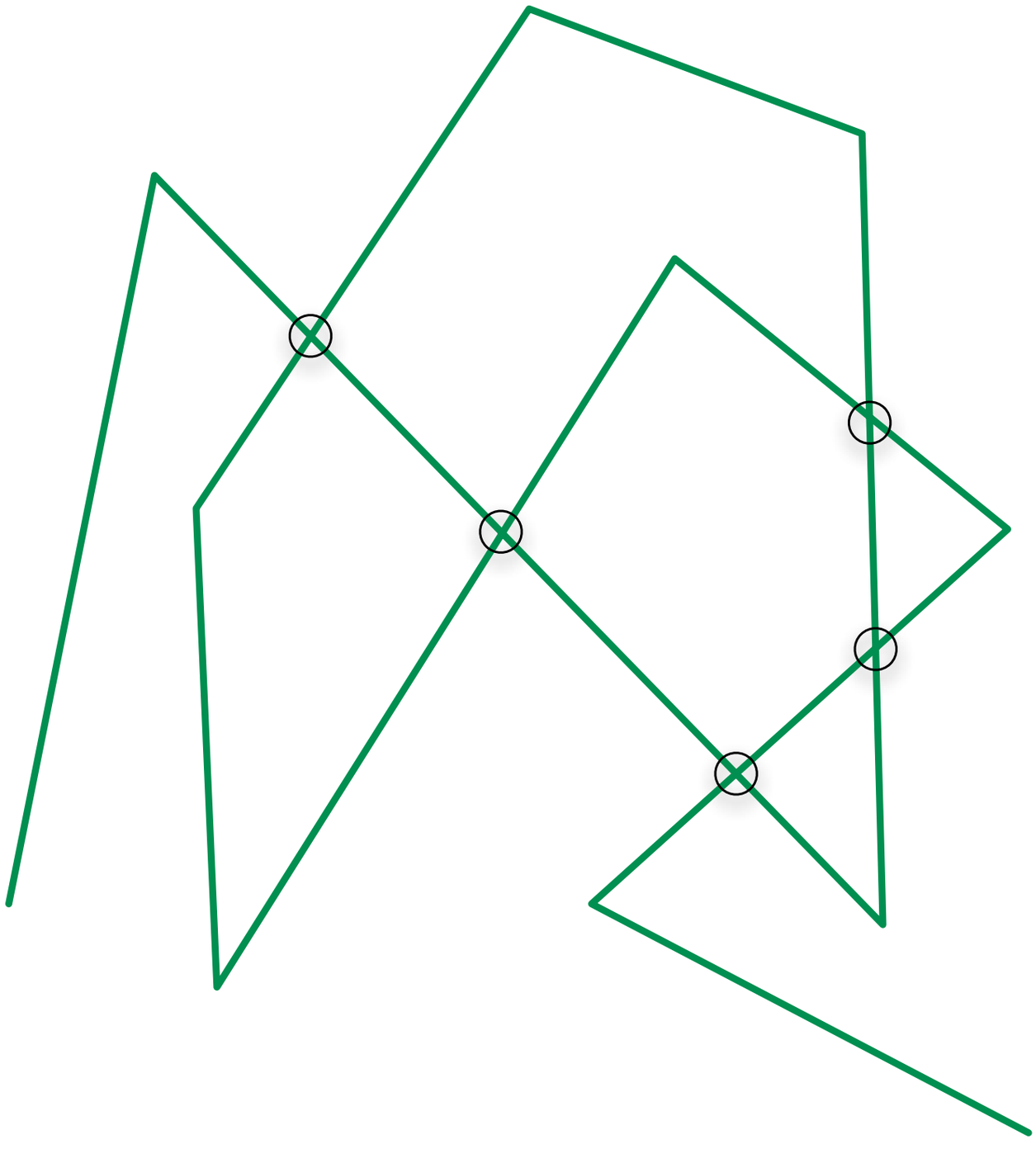
Graphics

- Loading / initializing images is expensive
- Transparency is expensive
- Blending images is expensive
- Resizing images is expensive
- Quartz line crossings are expensive

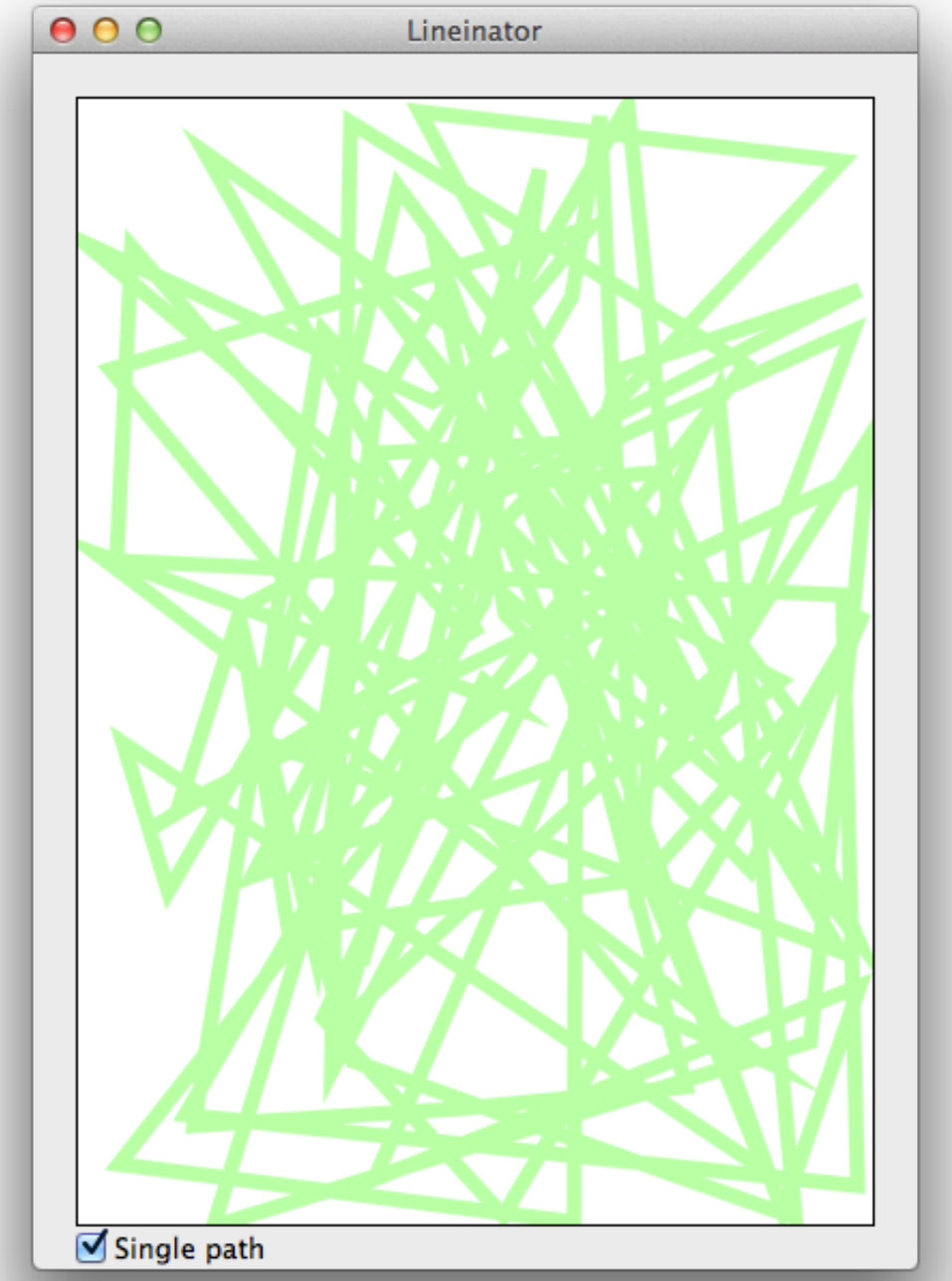
Line Crossings?

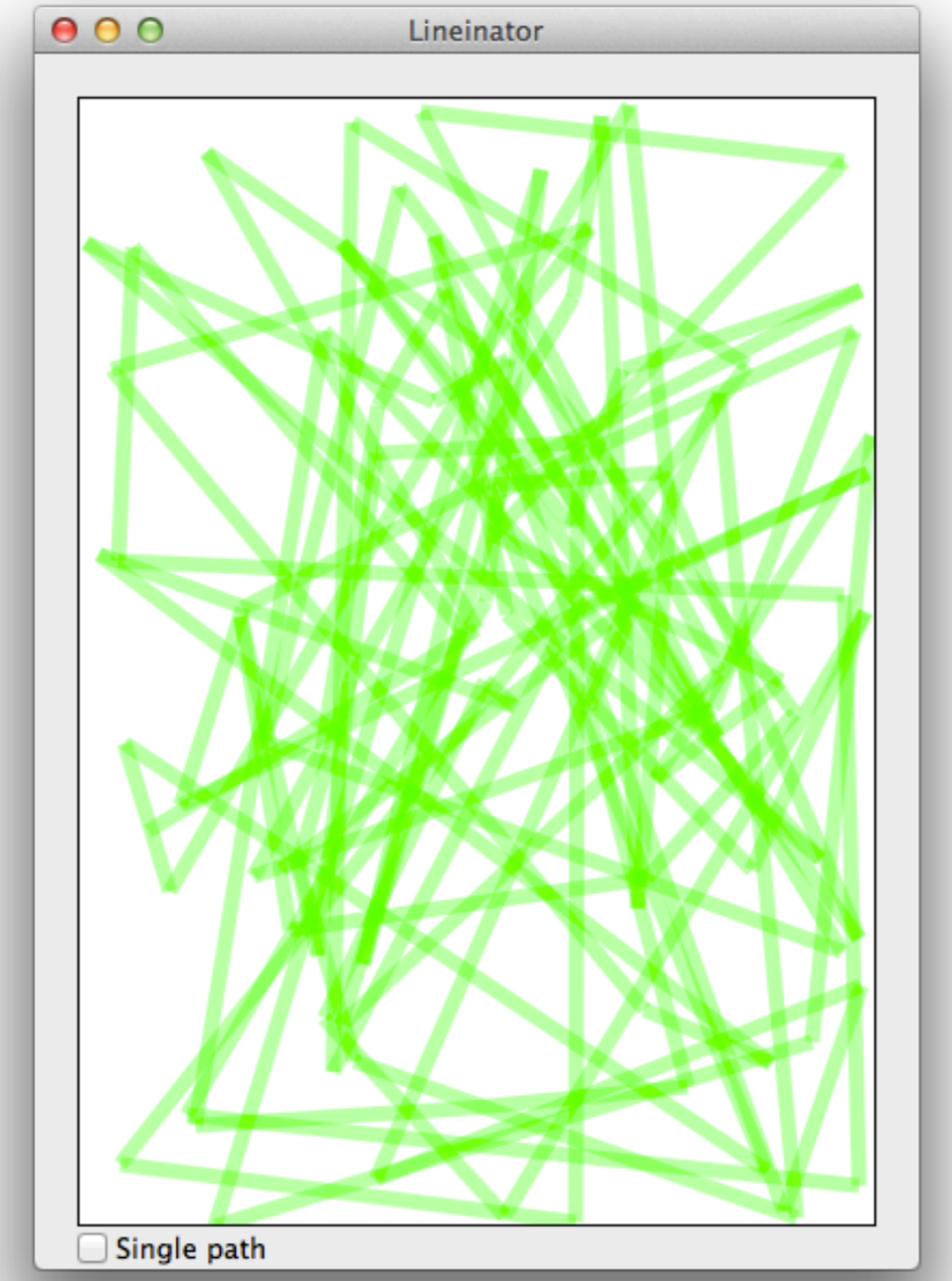


Line Crossings?



Line Crossings!

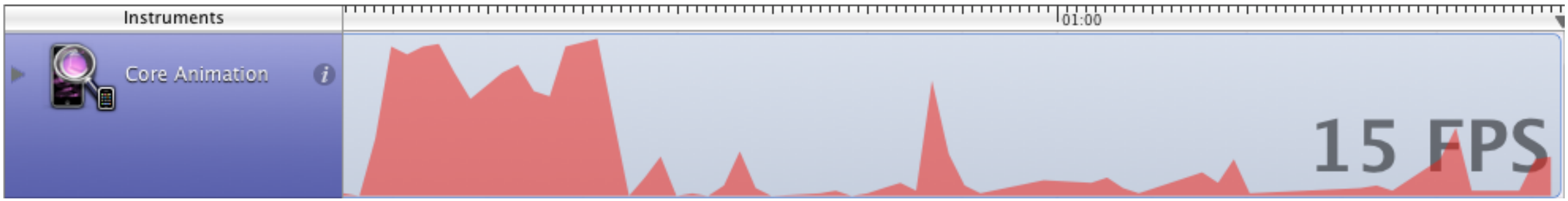




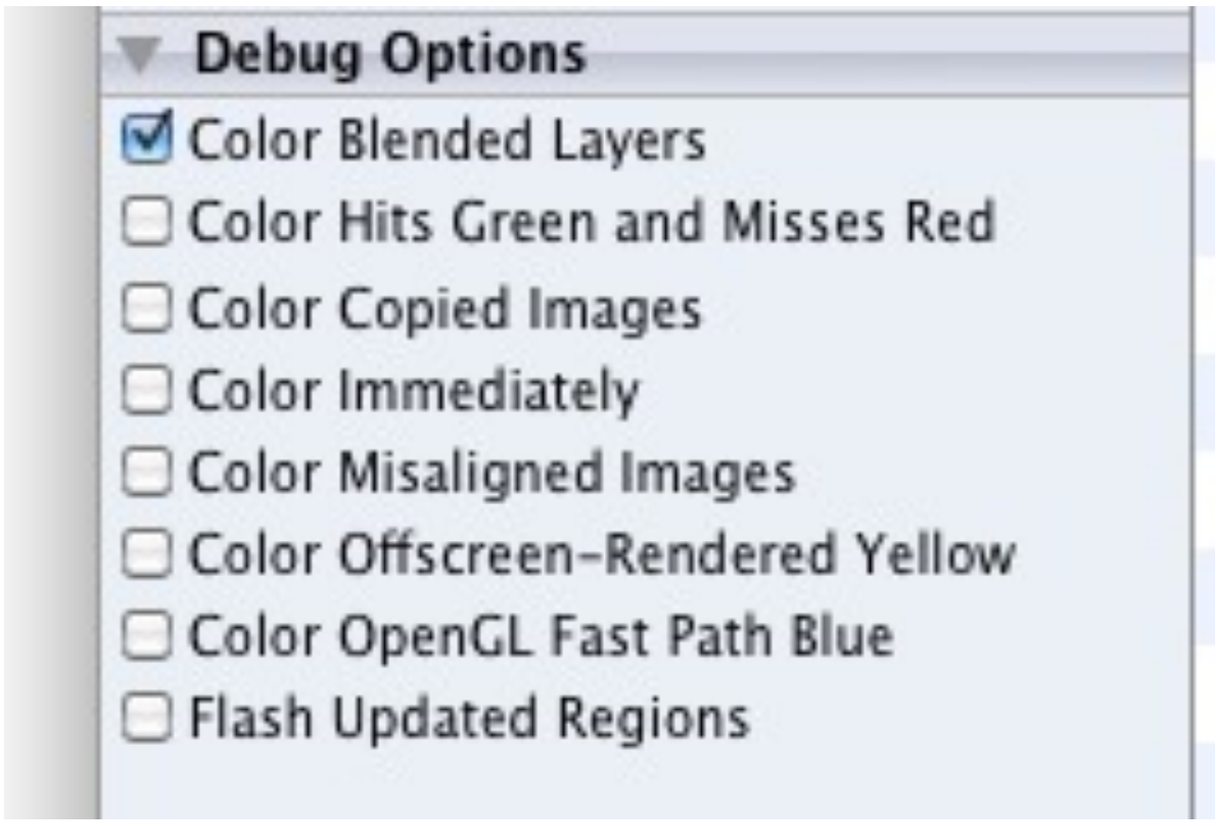
Lines in Motion

(Lineinator)

Core Animation



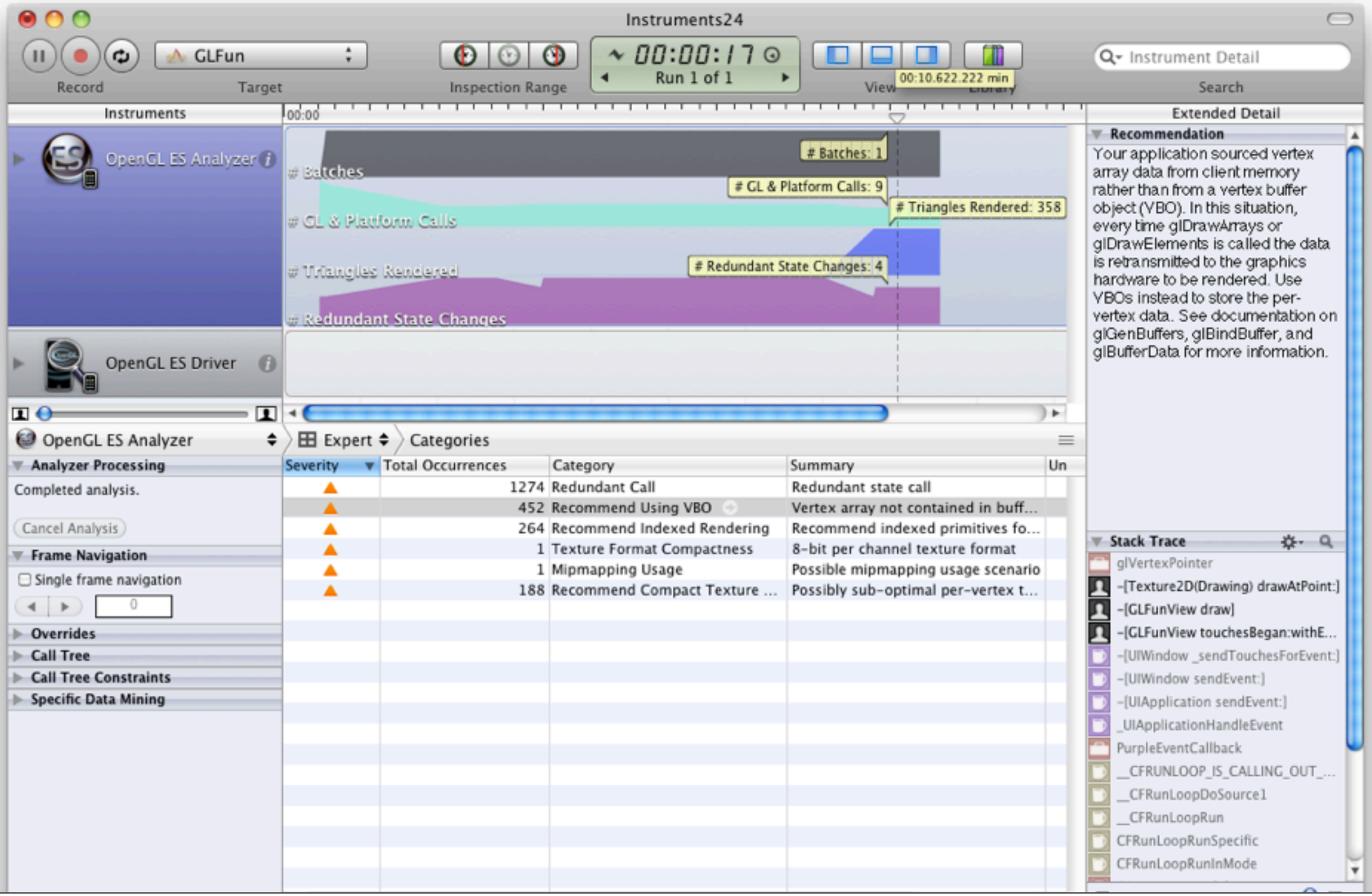
Core Animation



static

scrolling

OpenGL Analyzer



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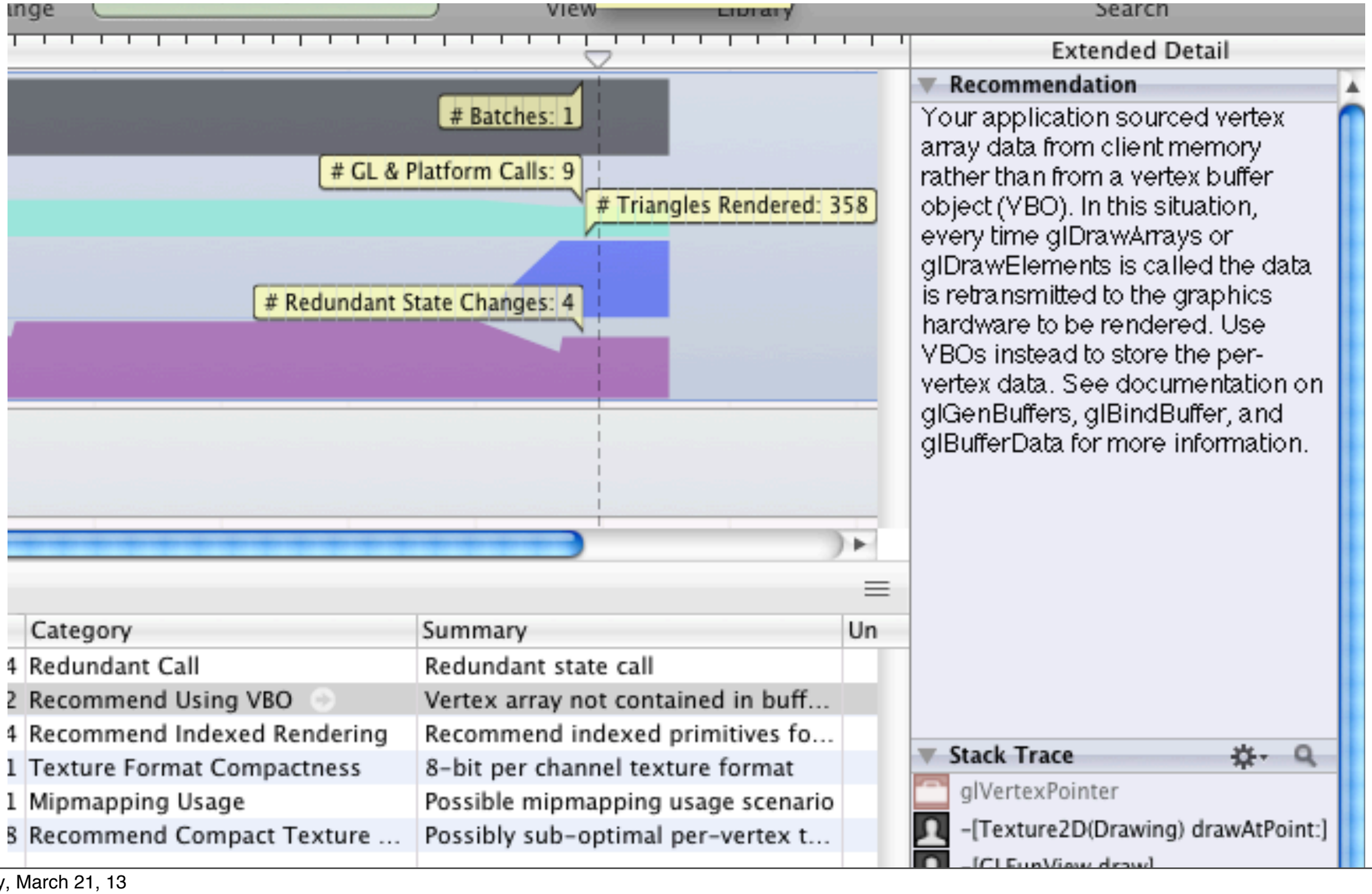
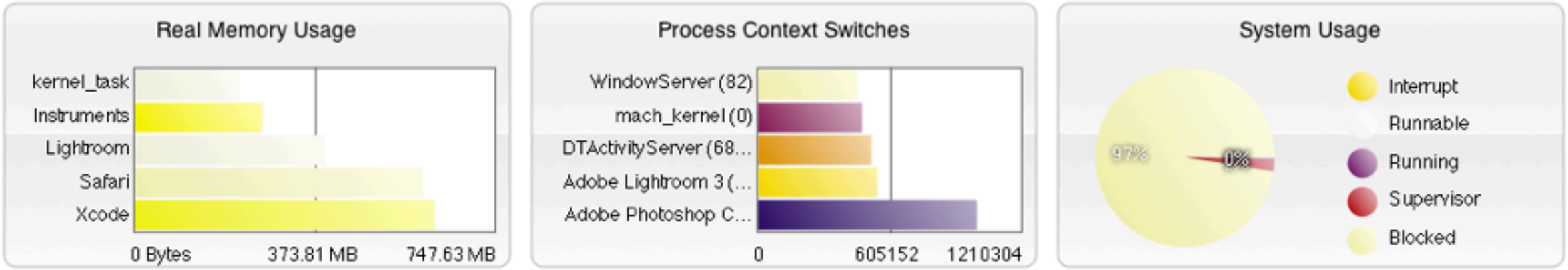


Other Instruments

Other Instruments

- Dispatch (queue lifetimes, invocations)
- ~~Garbage Collection (scavenging)~~
- Activity Monitor (lots of metrics)
- Core Data (fetches / faults / cache misses)

Low-Level tracking



Symbol Trace

-NSTableView drawRect:

DTrace

Name: -[NSTableView drawRect:] Category: com.apple.AdHocCategory

Description: User Defined Call Trace

▶ DATA

▶ BEGIN

▼ Entry - objc : NSTableView : -drawRect* : entry

If the following conditions are met:

Probe Entry of type Objective-C class NSTableView hits -drawRect* entry ⊕

Perform the following script:

```
self->startTime = walltimestamp;self->myselfptr = arg0;self->EntryHit = 4334373;
```

Record the following data:

Record No Data ⊕

▼ Return - objc : NSTableView : -drawRect* : return

If the following conditions are met:

Probe Return of type Objective-C class NSTableView hits -drawRect* return ⊕

Custom self->EntryHit == 4334373 AND ⊕

Perform the following script:

+ − User Stack Trace

Wrap-Up

So What do you do?

- Reduce memory usage
- Change algorithms
  - Reducing a constant can help
- Not doing work
- Take advantage of your hardware
- Code tweaks

Each Situation is Different

- Cache values so you don't have to recalculate them
  - Recalculate easy to figure out values so you don't have to store them
- Pre-load stuff from disk
  - Lazy-load stuff from disk
- More small packets for lower latency
  - Fewer big packets for throughput

That's All Folks

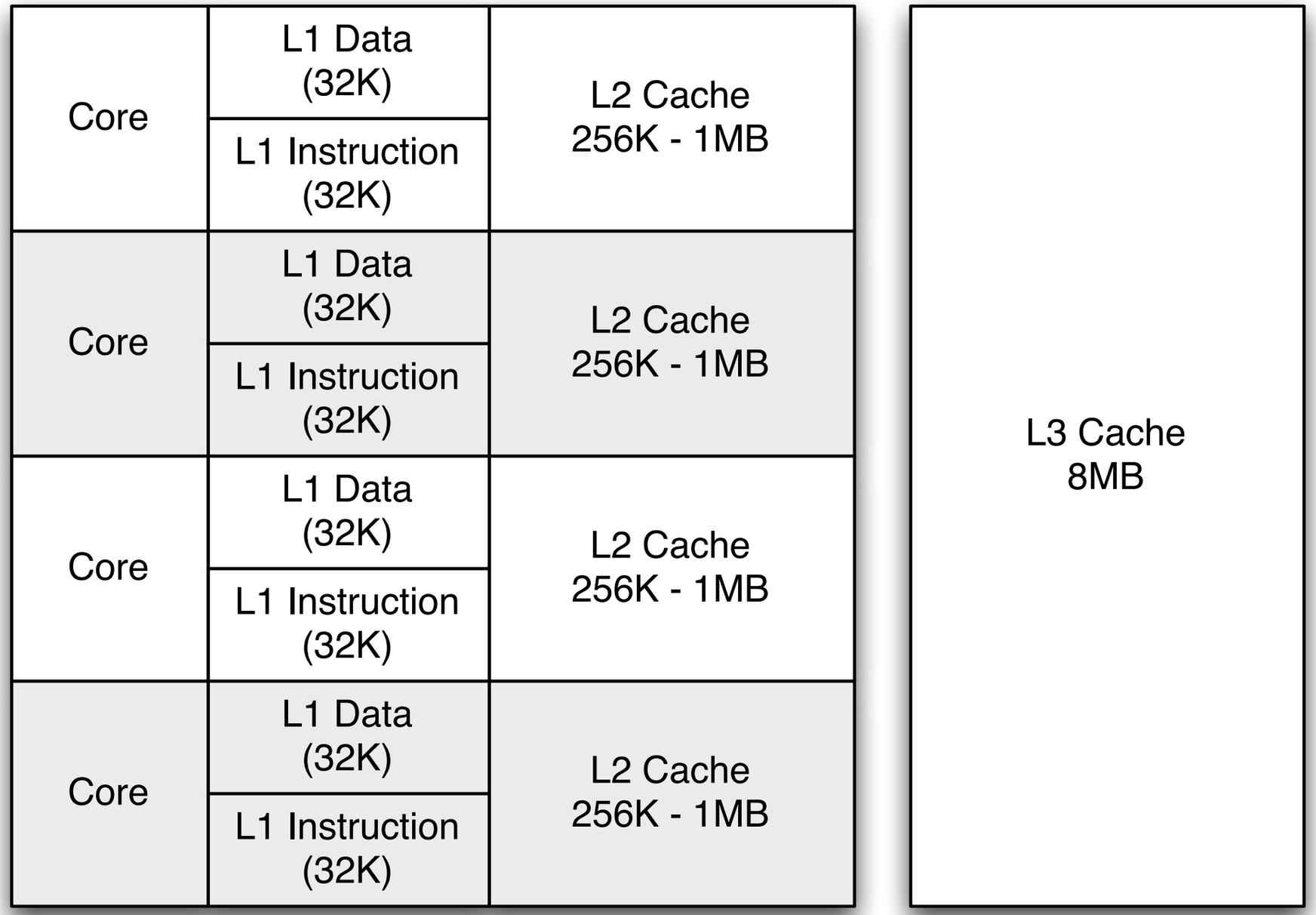
- Discover what's slow
- Figure out why it's slow
- Fix it

@borkware

http://borkware.com/cocoaconf

Holding Pen

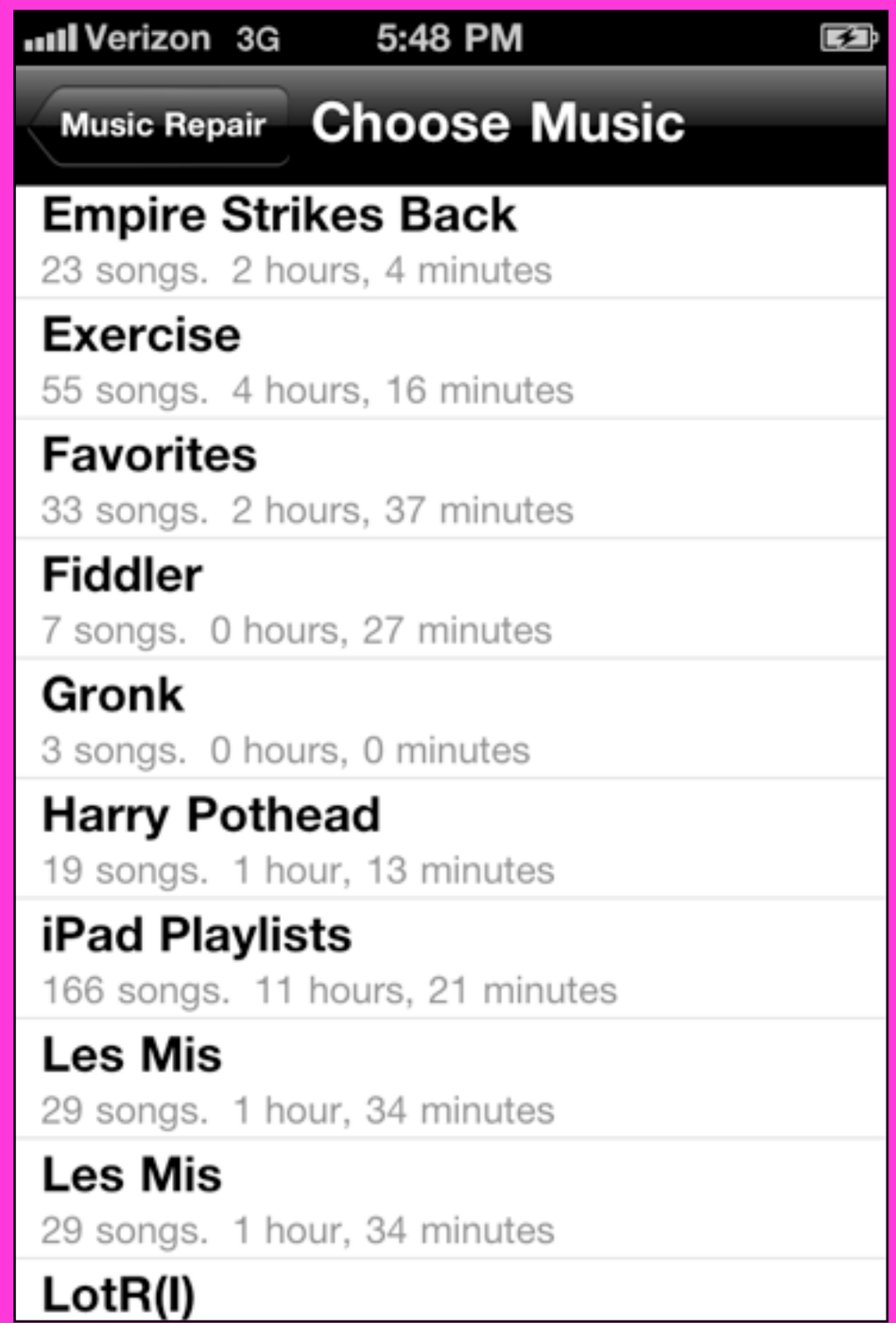
Cache And Carry



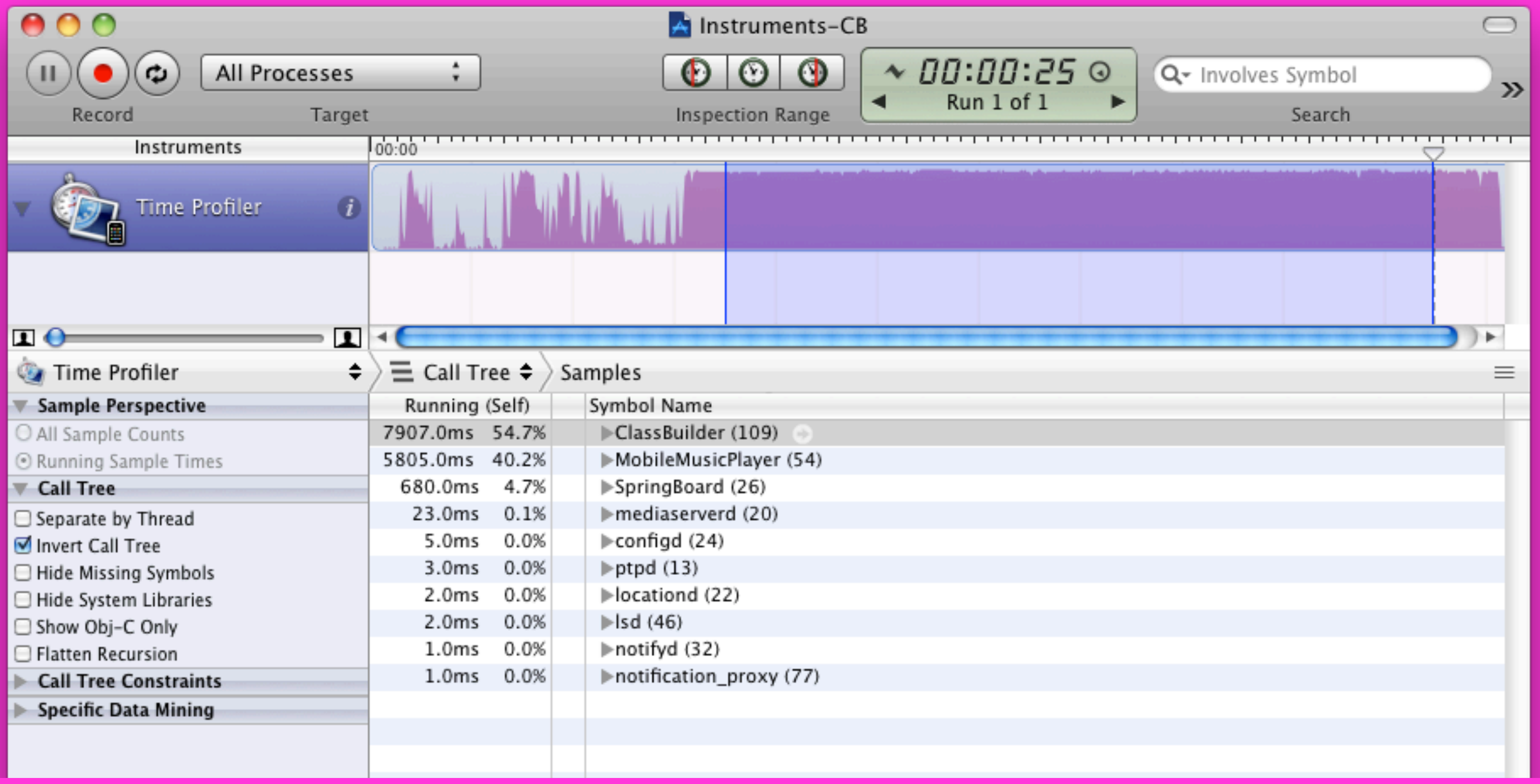
L1 cache reference: 0.5 ns
L2 cache reference: 7 ns
Main memory reference: 100 ns

The Tale of Woe

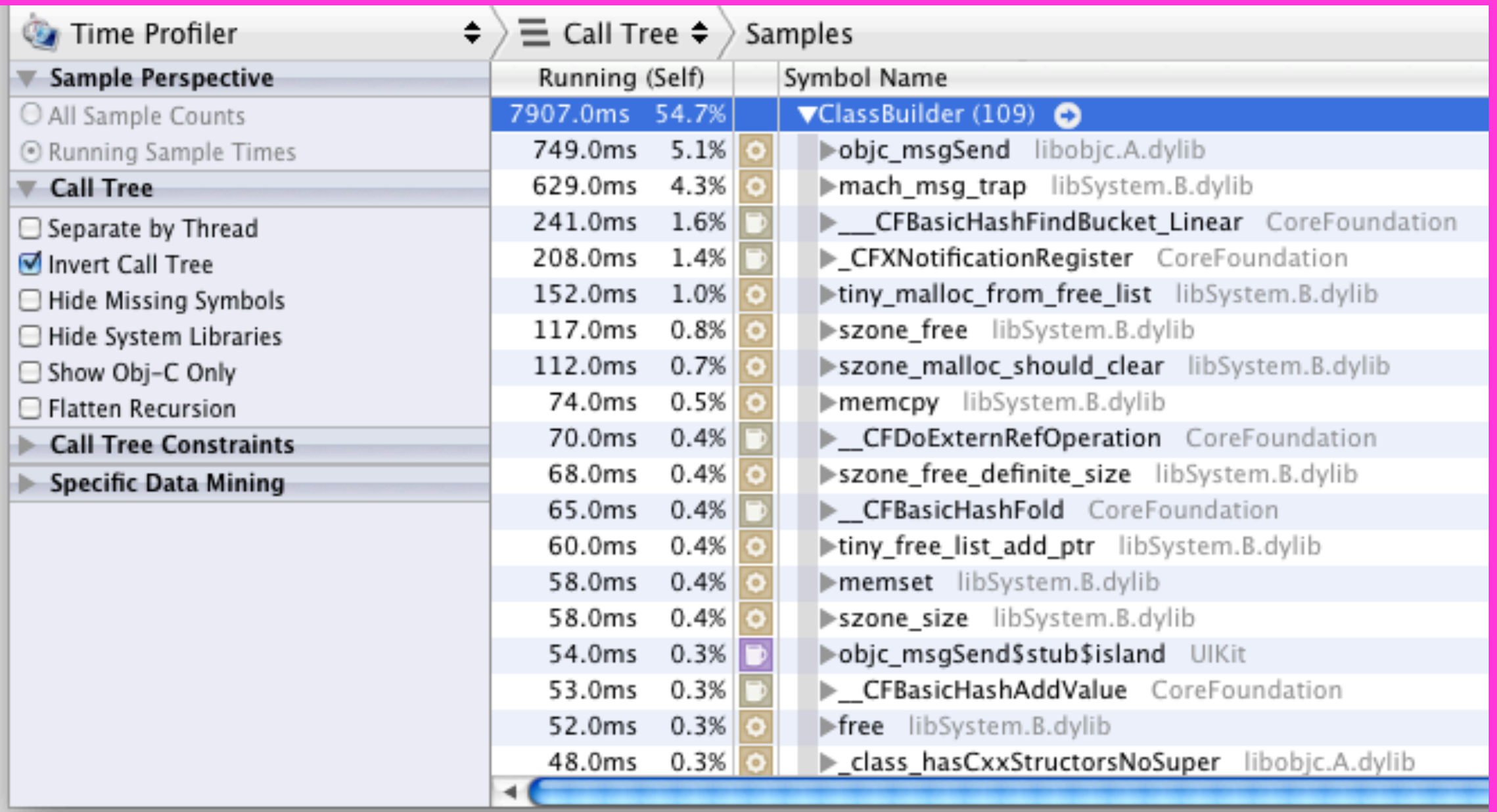
- I needed to choose Playlists
- Need to know playlist duration
- You don't get that info directly from MPMediaFooby



Time Profiler



Call Tree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Call Tree
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All Sample Counts
Running Sample Times
Call Tree
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Hide Missing Symbols
Hide System Libraries
Show Obj-C Only
Flatten Recursion
Call Tree Constraints
Specific Data Mining
Running (Self)
Symbol Name
7907.0ms 54.7% ClassBuilder (109)
749.0ms 5.1% objc_msgSend libobjc.A.dylib
629.0ms 4.3% mach_msg_trap libSystem.B.dylib
241.0ms 1.6% ___CFBasicHashFindBucket_Linear CoreFoundation
208.0ms 1.4% _CFXNotificationRegister CoreFoundation
152.0ms 1.0% tiny_malloc_from_free_list libSystem.B.dylib
117.0ms 0.8% szone_free libSystem.B.dylib
112.0ms 0.7% szone_malloc_should_clear libSystem.B.dylib
74.0ms 0.5% memcpy libSystem.B.dylib
70.0ms 0.4% __CFDoExternRefOperation CoreFoundation
68.0ms 0.4% szone_free_definite_size libSystem.B.dylib
65.0ms 0.4% __CFBasicHashFold CoreFoundation
60.0ms 0.4% tiny_free_list_add_ptr libSystem.B.dylib
58.0ms 0.4% memset libSystem.B.dylib
58.0ms 0.4% szone_size libSystem.B.dylib
54.0ms 0.3% objc_msgSend$stub$island UIKit
53.0ms 0.3% __CFBasicHashAddValue CoreFoundation
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48.0ms 0.3% _class_hasCxxStructorsNoSuper libobjc.A.dylib

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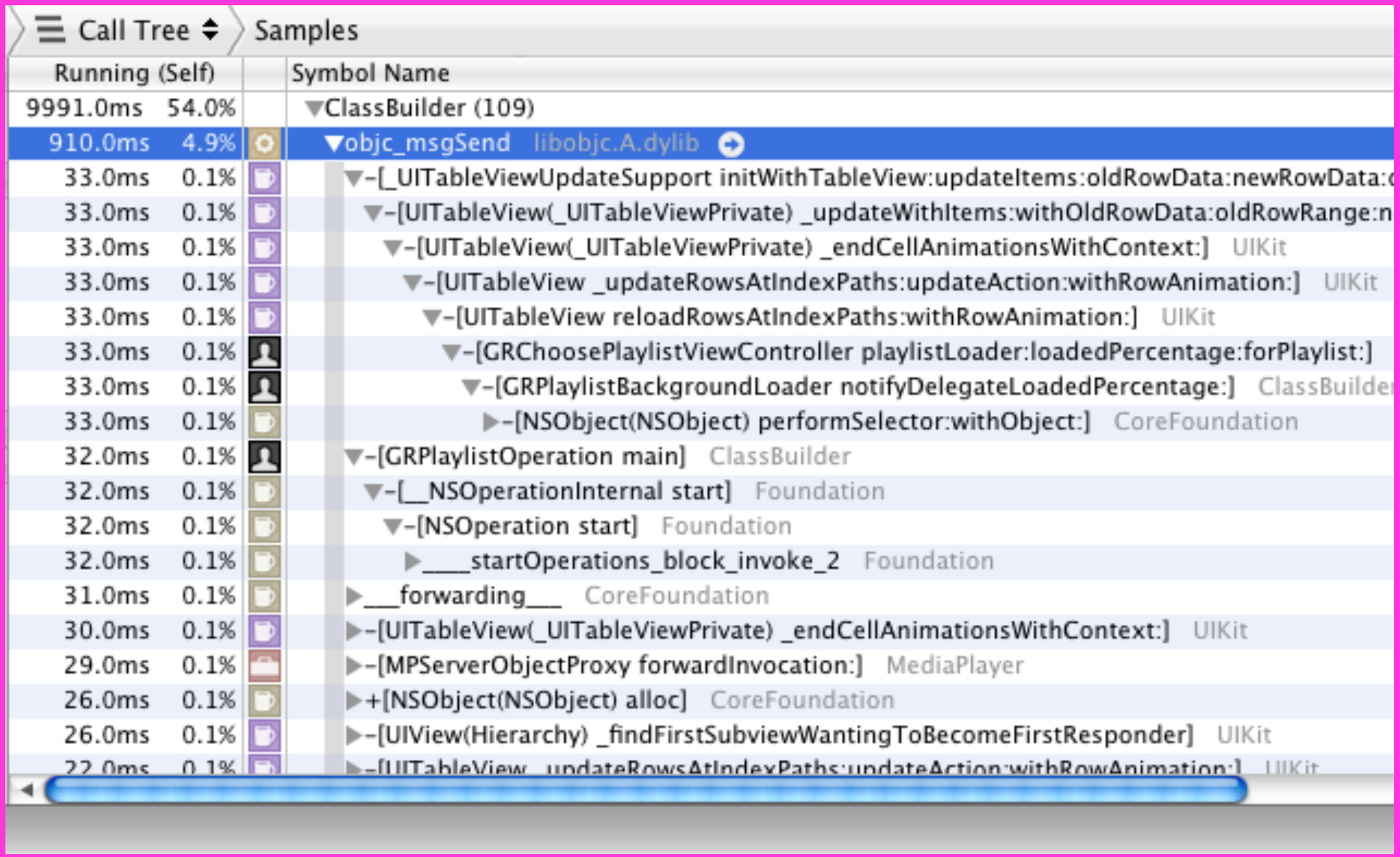
Call Tree
Samples
Running (Self)
Symbol Name
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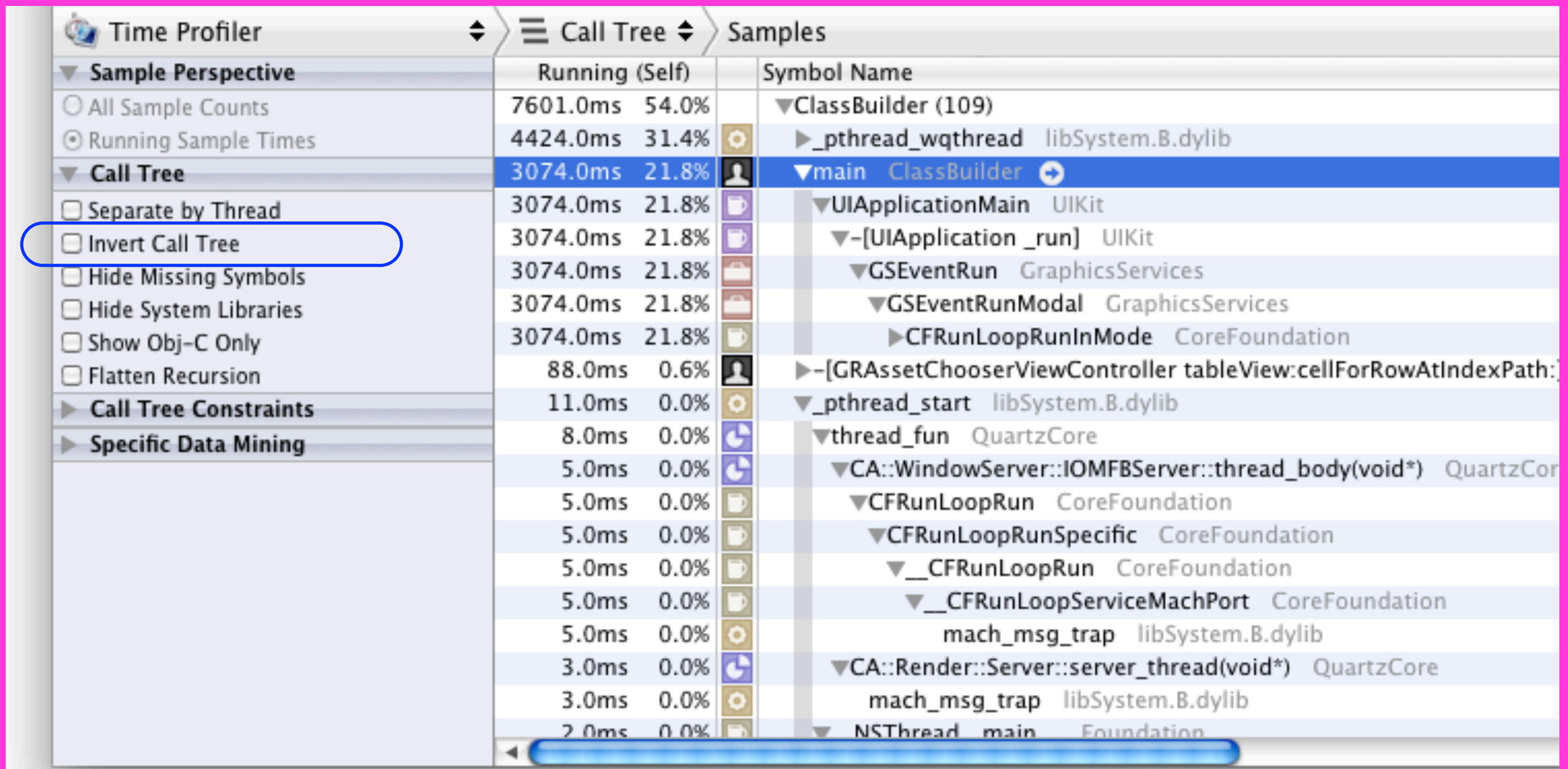
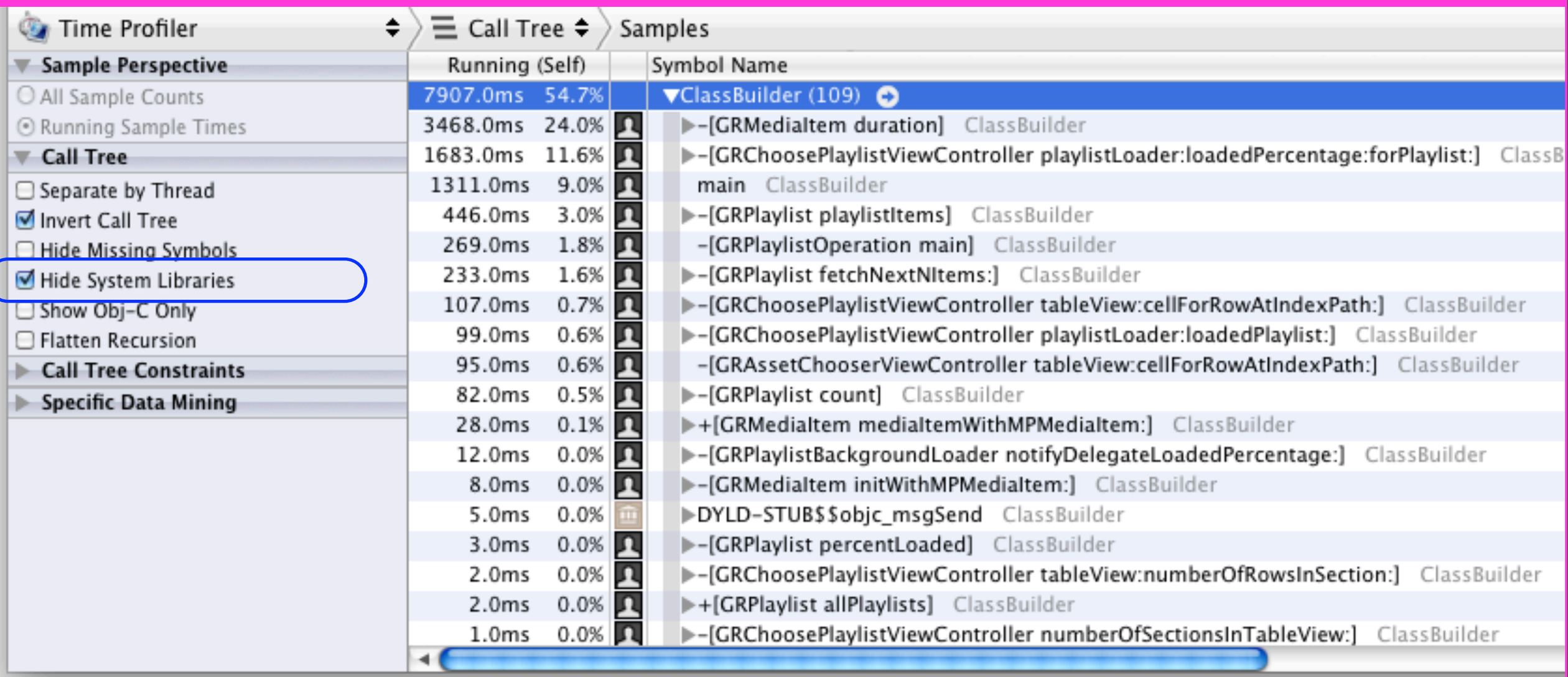
910.0ms 4.9% objc_msgSend libobjc.A.dylib
33.0ms 0.1% -[_UITableViewUpdateSupport initWithTableView:updateItems:oldRowData:newRowData:
33.0ms 0.1% -[UITableView(_UITableViewPrivate) _updateWithItems:withOldRowData:oldRowRange:n
33.0ms 0.1% -[UITableView(_UITableViewPrivate) _endCellAnimationsWithContext:] UIKit
33.0ms 0.1% -[UITableView _updateRowsAtIndexPaths:updateAction:withRowAnimation:] UIKit
33.0ms 0.1% -[UITableView reloadRowsAtIndexPaths:withRowAnimation:] UIKit
33.0ms 0.1% -[GRChoosePlaylistViewController playlistLoader:loadedPercentage:forPlaylist:]
33.0ms 0.1% -[GRPlaylistBackgroundLoader notifyDelegateLoadedPercentage:] ClassBuilde
33.0ms 0.1% -[NSObject(NSObject) performSelector:withObject:] CoreFoundation
32.0ms 0.1% -[GRPlaylistOperation main] ClassBuilder
32.0ms 0.1% -[__NSOperationInternal start] Foundation
32.0ms 0.1% -[NSOperation start] Foundation
32.0ms 0.1% ___startOperations_block_invoke_2 Foundation
31.0ms 0.1% ___forwarding___ CoreFoundation
30.0ms 0.1% -[UITableView(_UITableViewPrivate) _endCellAnimationsWithContext:] UIKit
29.0ms 0.1% -[MPServerObjectProxy forwardInvocation:] MediaPlayer
26.0ms 0.1% +[NSObject(NSObject) alloc] CoreFoundation
26.0ms 0.1% -[UIView(Hierarchy) _findFirstSubviewWantingToBecomeFirstResponder] UIKit

Uninverted Tree



Data Mining : Hiding Syslibs



Data Mining : Objective-C