

# Robo4J mit NetBeans und Java Flight Recorder

Java Mission Control und Java Flight Recorder

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  - Oracle will continue to enhance the packaging and distributing of complete ready-to-run applications



# Java Mission Control

- A tools suite for **production** use (fine in development too)
  - Basic monitoring
  - Production time **profiling** and diagnostics

- Free for development and evaluation
  - Tool usage is free, data creation in production requires a commercial license

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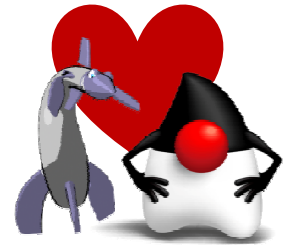
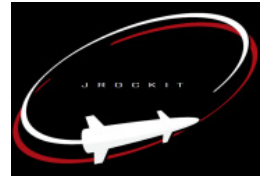
# “Java Mission Control profiling tool”

- Data from Java Flight Recorder
- Visualized in Java Mission Control



# Java Mission Control - History

- JRockit Flight Recorder
- Appeal (JRockit) acquired by BEA Systems
  - Acquired by Oracle and acquired Sun Microsystems
- Best JRockit features converged with HotSpot JVM
- JFR and JMC released with JDK 7u40



# Java Mission Control Main Tools

Two main tools:

- JMX Console
  - Online monitoring
- Flight Recorder
  - Offline low overhead profiler
- JRockit Mission Control also had the **Memory Leak Analyzer**

# Experimental Plugins

Downloadable from within Mission Control

- DTrace
  - JFR style visualization of data produced by DTrace
- JOverflow
  - Memory anti-pattern analysis from hprof dumps
- JMX Console plug-ins
- Java Flight Recorder plug-ins
  - WLS
  - JavaFX



# JMC installation/startup

<JDK>/bin/jmc

– Mac: (/usr/bin/) jmc

Add if needed:

`-consoleLog -debug ( | more 2>&1 )`

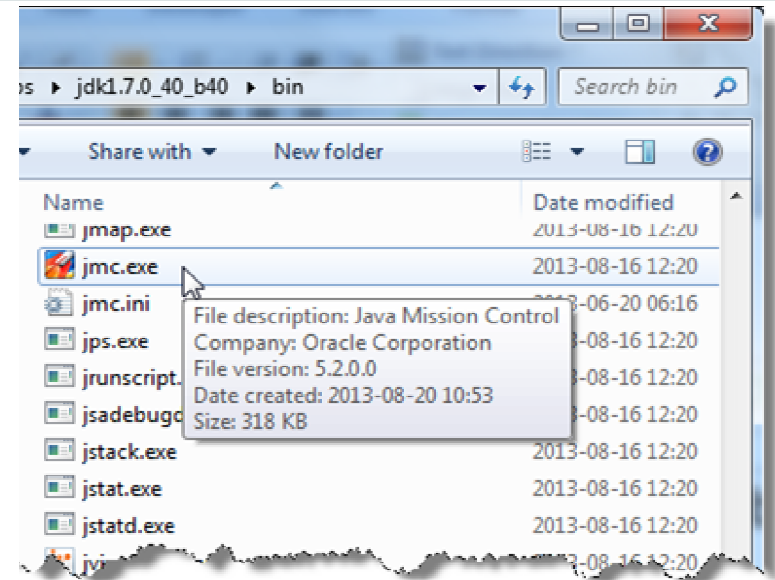
- Eclipse plug-ins

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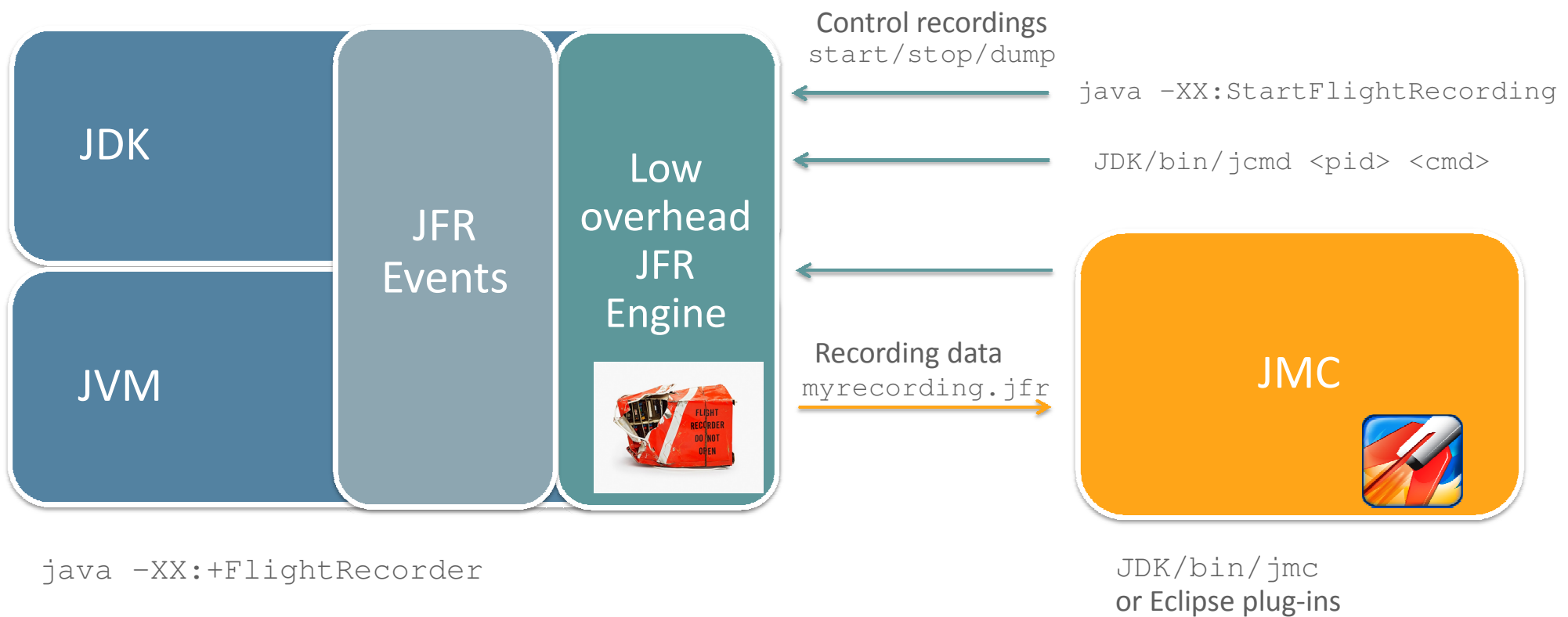


# Java Flight Recorder

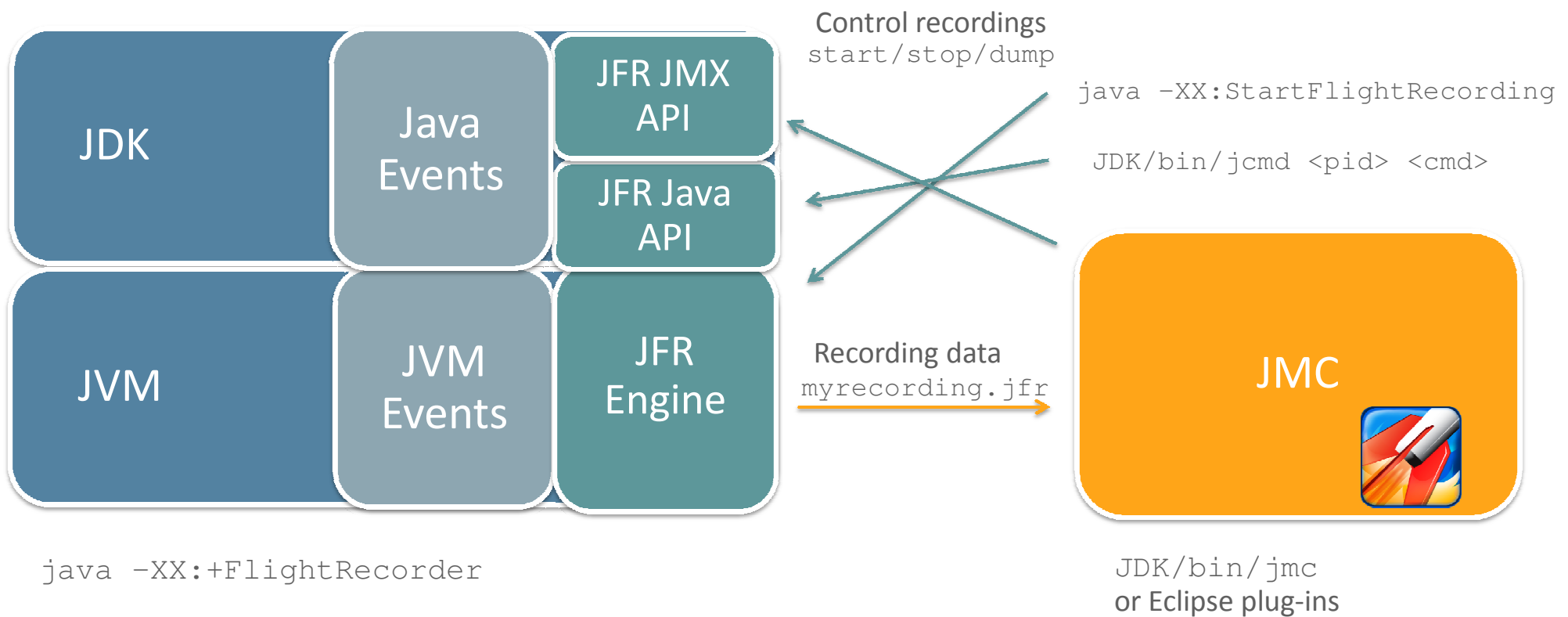
- High Performance Event Recorder
- Built into the JVM
  - Already available runtime information
  - Measuring the real behavior, doesn't disable JVM optimizations
- Binary recordings
  - Self contained self describing chunks
- Very detailed information
- Extremely low overhead (~ 2..3%)
  - Can keep it always on, dump when necessary



# Java Flight Recorder (JFR) and Java Mission Control (JMC)



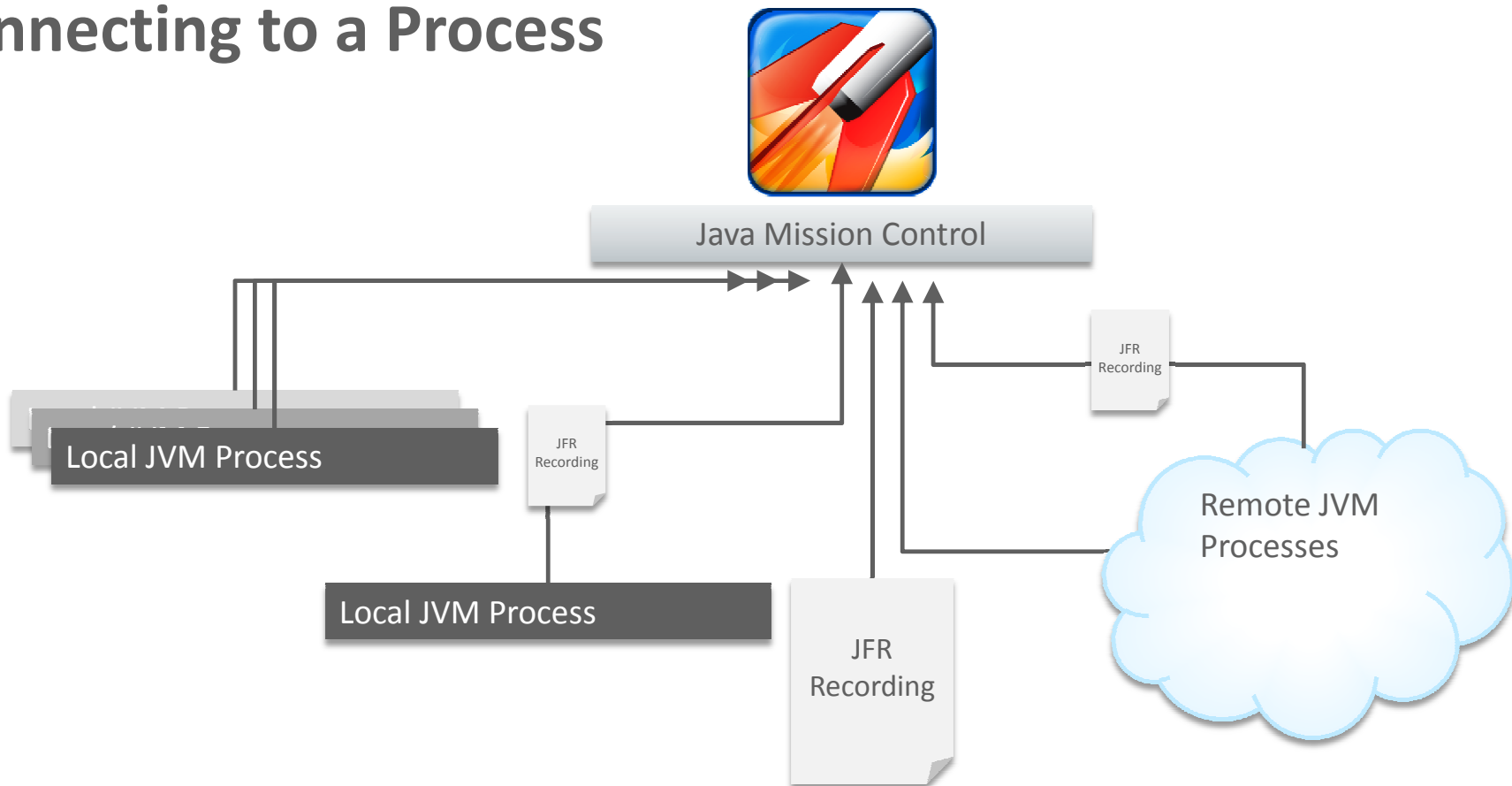
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## Connecting to a Process

- The entry point to running Java processes is the JVM Browser
- By default, it will list all discovered locally running processes
- The JVM Browser shows, by default, a flat list of all discovered and defined connectors. The list can be split into a tree to separate locally running processes, JDP (Java Discovery Protocol) discovered ones, and custom defined connectors

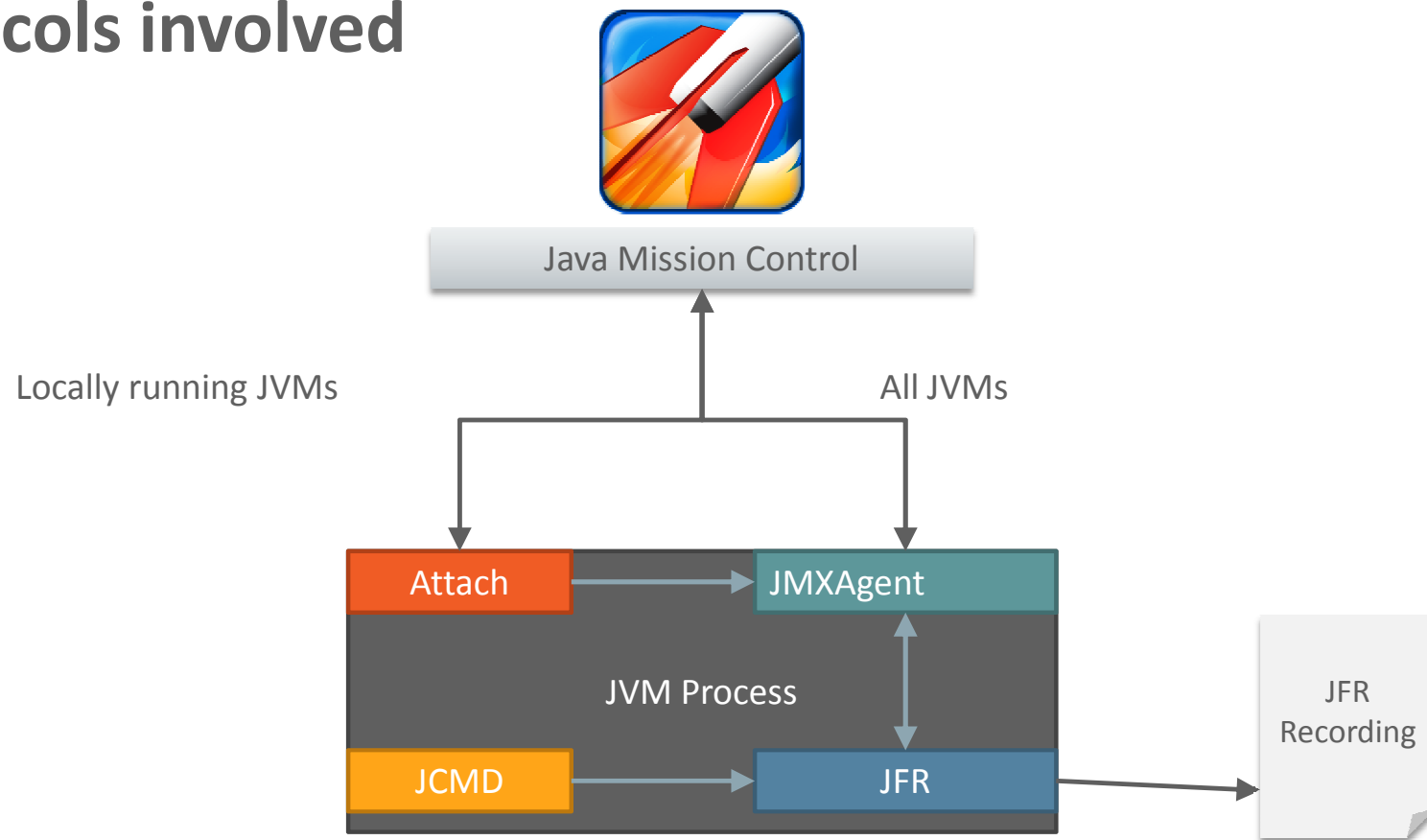
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## Protocols involved

- Java Attach (only locally running Java processes)
  - Used for local discovery of JVMs
  - Used for starting the local JMX management agent, should a tool requiring JMX want to connect
  - Used directly by some tools, such as the tool for starting the external JMX agent
- JMX (normally JMXRMI, but can be configured)
  - Used by most tools for communication and transfer of data
  - Note that JFR can be used fully without ever using JMX through jcmd and/or command line options

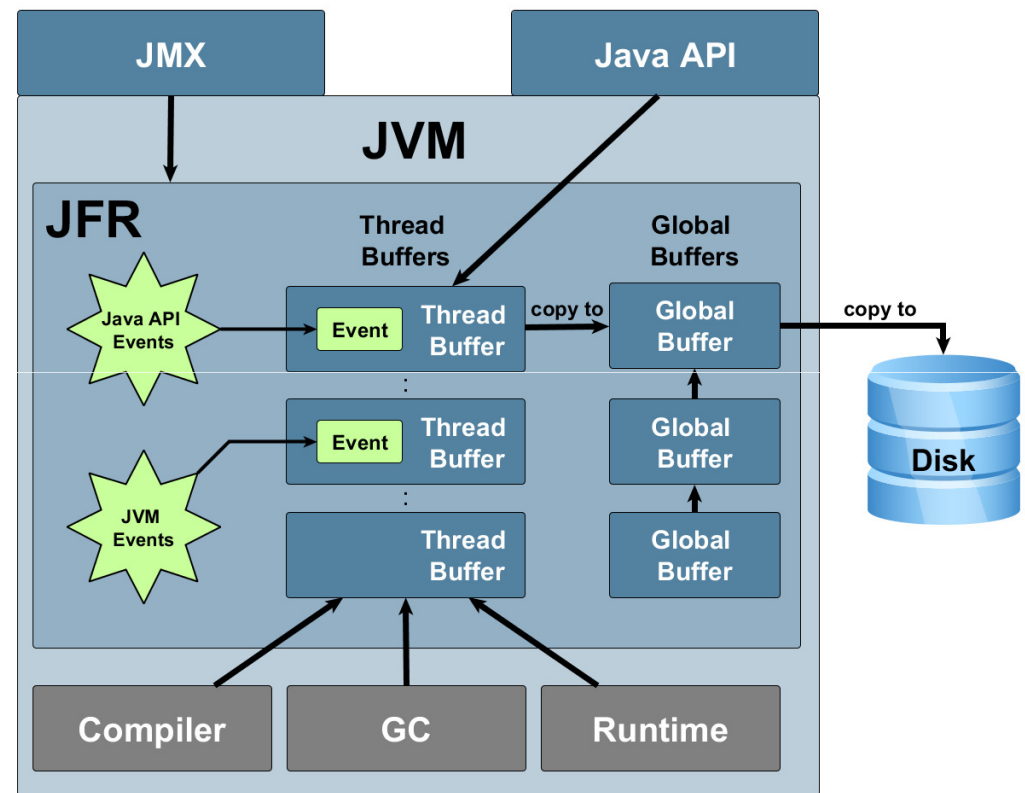
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# Java Flight Recorder – Architecture

- Information gathering
  - Instrumentation calls all over the JVM
  - Application information via Java API
- Collected in Thread Local buffers
  - Global Buffers → Disk
- Binary, proprietary file format
- Managed via JMX
- Java Flight Recorder
  - Start from JMC 5.5 or CLI
- Activate Flight Recorder
  - -XX: +UnlockCommercialFeatures
  - -XX: +FlightRecorder



# Different Kinds of Recordings

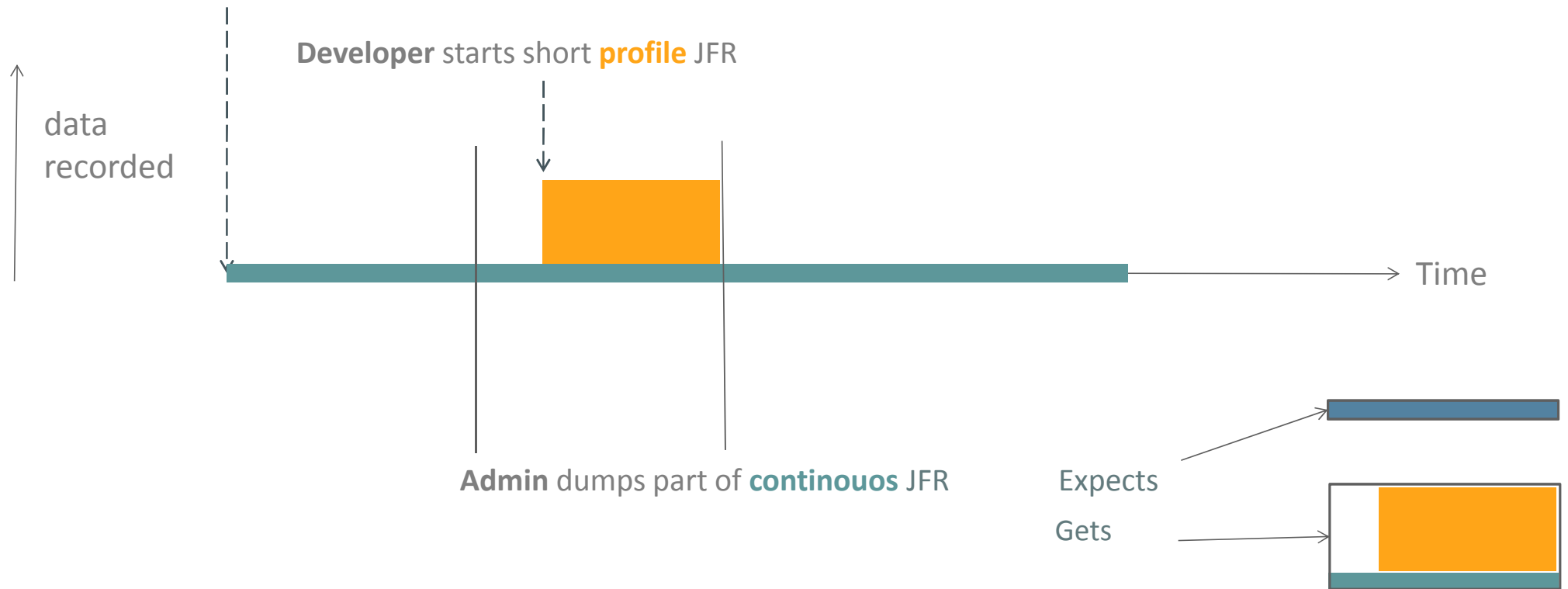
- Continuous Recordings
  - Have no end time
  - Must be explicitly dumped
  - Example use case: Enable at startup, dump the last X minutes when something goes wrong
- Time Fixed Recordings ('profiling recordings')
  - Have a fixed time
  - If started from Java Mission Control, opened automatically in the GUI
  - Example use case: Performance testing under load, do a 1 minute recording

# How to Think About Recordings

What data does the **Admin** get when he dumps a recording?

Ops starts long **continuous** JFR

Developer starts short **profile** JFR



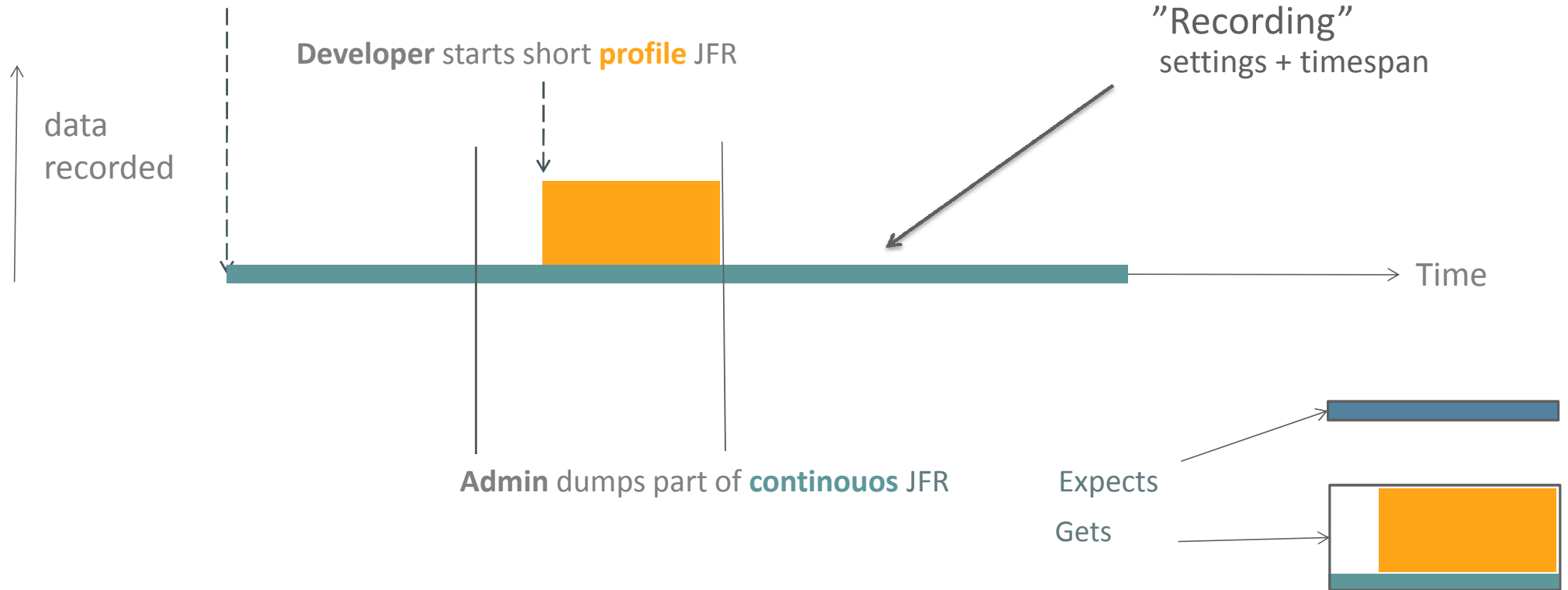
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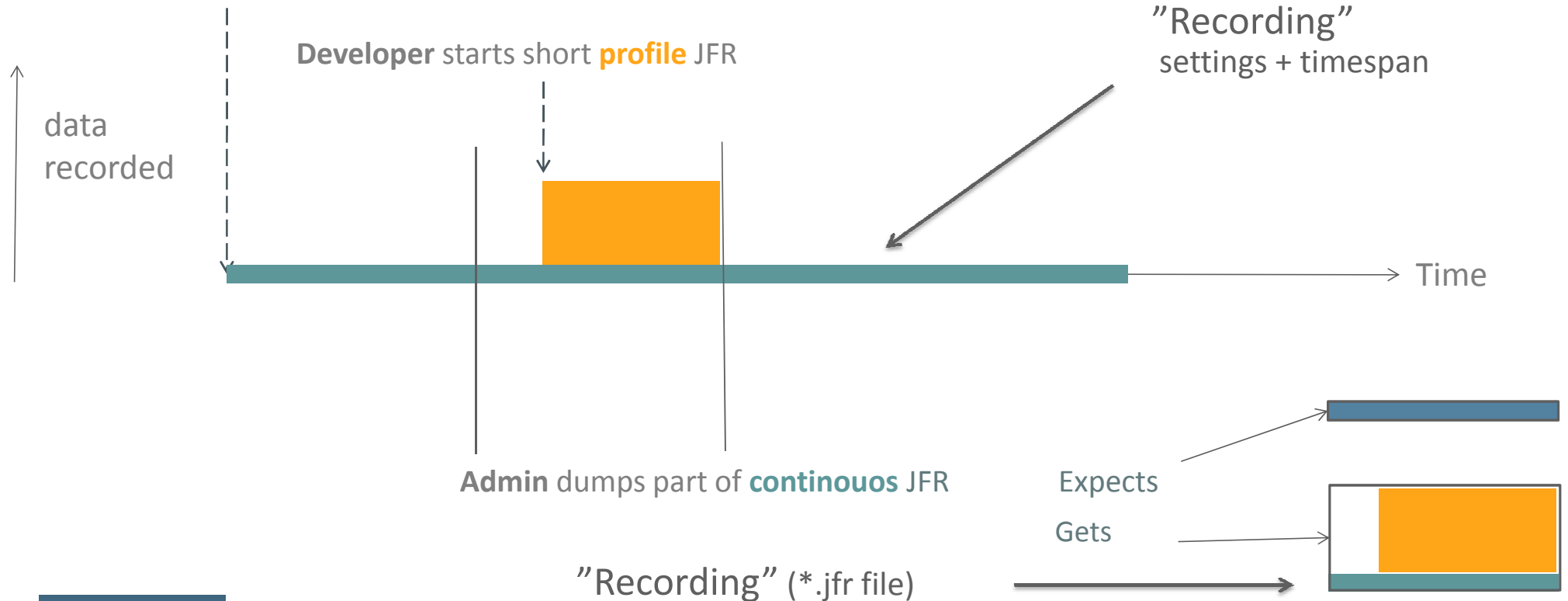
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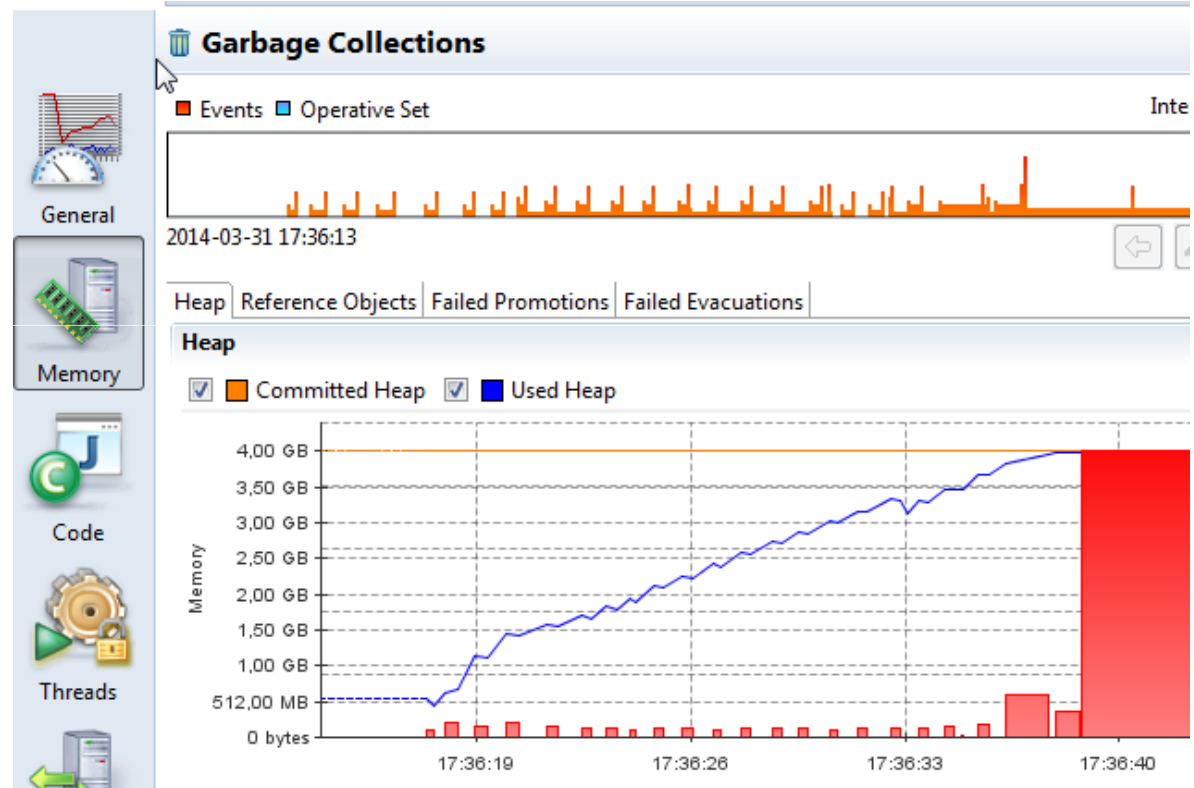


# When analyzing Flight Recordings

- Only you know what your application is supposed to be doing
  - Batch job, or real time trading?
  - Do you want the CPU usage to be high or low?
  - If you have a theory about what is wrong, you can find out why
- Not trivial to see which recording has the best performance
  - Possibly to add custom data for tracking for example transaction times

# Analyzing Flight Recordings in JMC

- Preconfigured tabs
  - Highlights various areas of common interest
    - Code
    - Memory
    - Threads
    - ...



# Roadmap

- JMC 6.0.0 with JDK 9
  - Automatic analysis of Flight Recordings
  - Greatly revised user interface (more modern, cleaner)
- Continually
  - New event types (improved I/O events, GC events, loaded libraries)



# Improvements (1)

- **New Supported API's**
  - Easier to use
  - Moved namespace from `oracle.jrookit.*` to `jdk.jfr.*`
- **Not compatible with old unsupported APIs**
  - Modularized
- **Performance enhancements**
  - Compressed Integers
  - Smarter Event Classes
- **Event reference does not escape into the generated code**
- **No event object reuse required**

## Improvements (2)

- Can emit data to disk even in bad situations
  - Useful in fatal situation, e.g. out-of-memory or crash
- New Events
  - More detailed safe point information
  - More detailed code cache information
  - New compiler events for detailed inlining information
  - New G1 specific information for better visualization of region states
  - Module events (loaded module, full transitive closure)
  - NativeLibrary (load, periodic event, by default each chunk)

# Roadmap - JDK 9 JFR Features

- Easy to use supported APIs for all things Flight Recorder
  - Allows for custom events
  - Programmatic access for reading Flight Recordings
  - Programmatic access for controlling the Flight Recorder
  - Modularized, works on smaller profiles
- Improved command line ergonomics
- Can dump on crashes and out-of-memory

# Summary

- Java Flight Recorder provides a common view to the JVM and the Java application
  - JVM Events and Java API Events
- Extremely low overhead ( $\leq 2..3\%$ )
  - Can keep it always on, dump when necessary
- Tooling for analysing recordings built into the Oracle JDK via Java Mission Control
- Java APIs available for recording custom information into the Flight Recorder in the Oracle JDK and with JDK 9 GA the OpenJDK get Java Flight Recorder
- Third party integration giving holistic view of the detailed information recorded by the Flight Recorder (WebLogic Server, JavaFX)

**Thanks!**

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