L10n == Epic Fejl

Graham Lee, humble bug creator

NSString *message = NSLocalizedString(key, comment);



```
$ cat /var/log/CDIS.custom
LANGUAGE=Japanese
$
```

```
defaultLanguage = "english";
>language =
    parseCDIS()?:defaultLanguage;
localeFolder = myPath() + language
    + ".lproj";
```

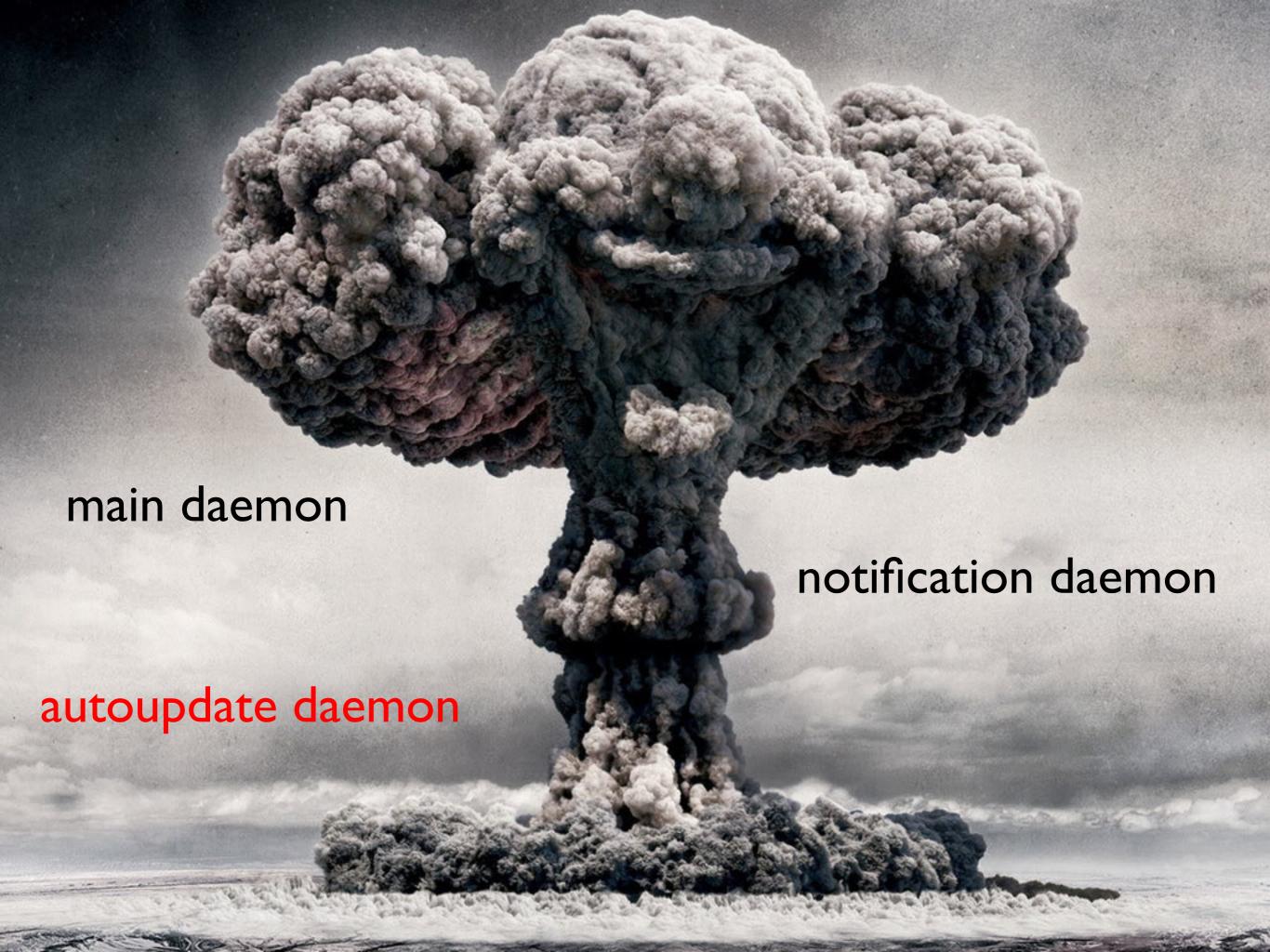
```
(gdb)po language
$1 = "japanese";
```



Japanese.lproj

```
TEST_CASE("choose_language", "It should
pick the correct language to log") {
REQUIRE(parseCDISText("Language=French")
== "French");
REQUIRE(parseCDISText("Language=German")
== "German");
REQUIRE(parseCDISText("Language=Japanese
") == "Japanese");
REQUIRE(parseCDISText(NULL) ==
"English");
```

```
$ cat /var/log/CDIS.custom
LANGUAGE=ja
$
```



Moral





Selenium Race Condition





What is Selenium?

- Selemium automates browsers
- Mostly used for automated testing of Web Applications / Sites
- We use it to test our HTML 5 web building editor, among other things
- It consists of
 - Selenium IDE FF add-on to record and playback tests
 - Selenium RC client/server system to control web browsers
 - WebDriver system to control web browsers natively. WebDriver is the successor of Selenium RC. Available drivers -
 - Chrome Driver
 - Firefox Driver
 - Internet Explorer Driver
 - HtmlUnit Driver
 - Selenium Grid allows running tests on many servers at the same time.





The Problem

- When using the Chrome Driver, we started getting random NoHttpResponseException
- It looks like

```
org.openqa.selenium.WebDriverException:
org.apache.http.NoHttpResponseException:
The target server failed to respond
Build info: version: '2.6.0', revision: '13840', time: '2011-09-13
16:51:41' System info: os.name: 'Windows 7', os.arch: 'amd64', os.version: '6.1', java.version: '1.6.0_26' Driver info: driver.version:
RemoteWebDriver
```

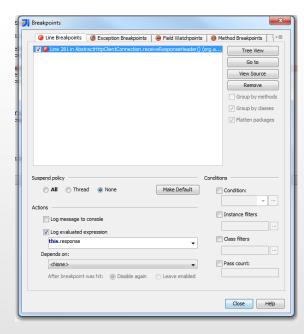
- Lots of information about the exception on the internet, but no solution
- Bug report opened for the issue on chrome site
 - https://code.google.com/p/selenium/issues/detail?id=2513
 - Bug report status changed to 'fixed' on Dec 11, 2011.
 However, there are still new reports of the problem
 - We don't know, we have a working workaround ☺





A Riddle

- Our initial guess was that we were doing something wrong with the WebDriver client API that caused the issue.
 - As it is a random issue, we need some trace to catch it.
 - The error is thrown by Apache HTTP Client, by the HttpResponseParser class.
 - The approach was to trace WebDriver communication
 - So we added a trace using IntelliJ "log evaluated expression" to print the request/response to WebDriver
- When we added the trace we did not reproduce the problem!
- When we removed the trace the problem reappeared!
- A Riddle...







Solution for a Riddle

- First Disbelieve
 - How can it work with tracing and not without?
 - We're tracing somehow wrong...
- Then Lets believe what our tests say
 - So, when we trace, it works
 - What is different when we trace?
 - It slows down the system. Not by much, but apparently, just enough.
 - WebDriver explodes when invoking it's API too fast
 - Smells like some race condition in Chrome WebDriver...
- The solution
 - If we believe what our tests say, we need to slow down the calls to WebDriver.
 - Lets try adding Thread.Sleep(1); between each WebDriver API call.
 - Problem solved!!!





What we finally did

- WebDriver remote API is provided by subclasses of RemoteWebDriver (such as ChromeDriver)
- It implements 11 different interfaces, specifying the full selenium API
- Using JDK.Proxy we wrapped the Web-Driver with an InvocationHandler that does the Thread.sleep(1);
- It looks like

```
public <T> T create(T original) {
    return (T) Proxy.newProxyInstance(this.getClass().getClassLoader(), getAllInterfaces(original),
        new DelayedDelegatingHandler<T>((T) original));
}
public Object invoke(Object proxy, Method method, Object[] args) throws Throwable {
    waitForSeleniumToSoberUp();
    .. Invoke the web-driver method ..
}

private void waitForSeleniumToSoberUp() {
    Thread.sleep(1);
}
```







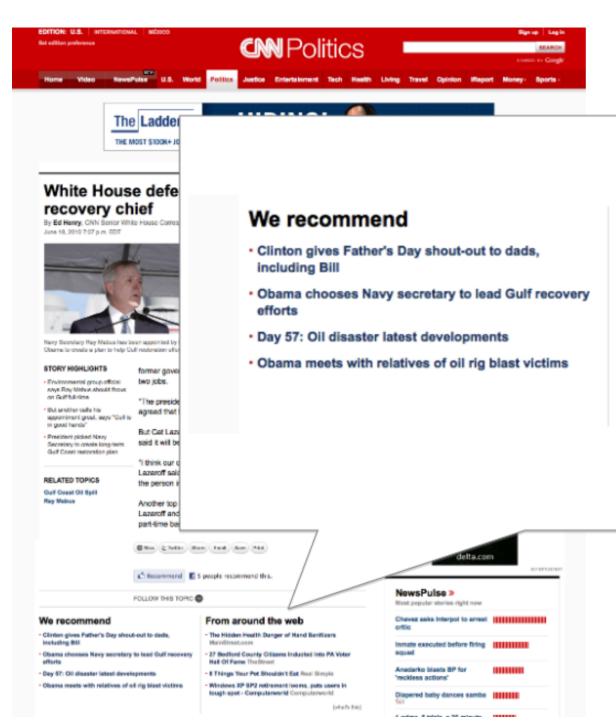
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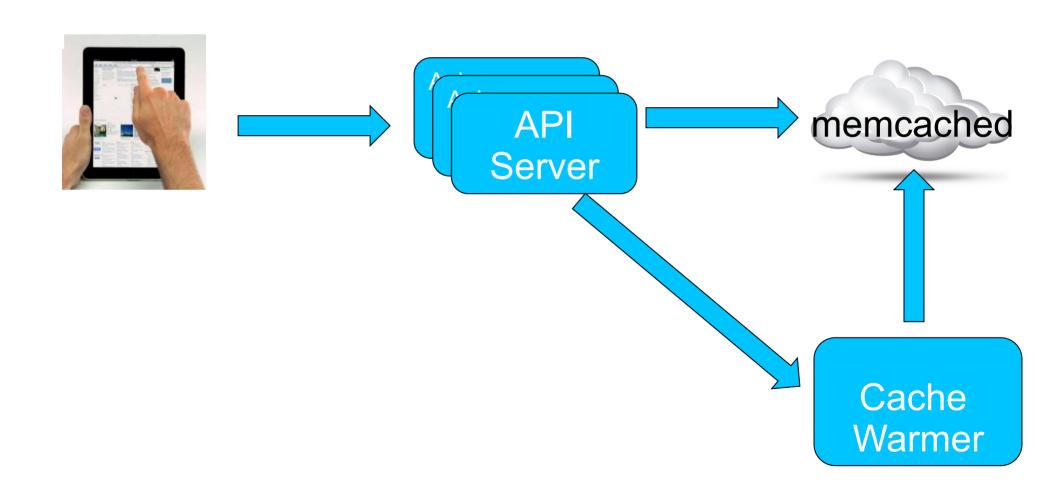




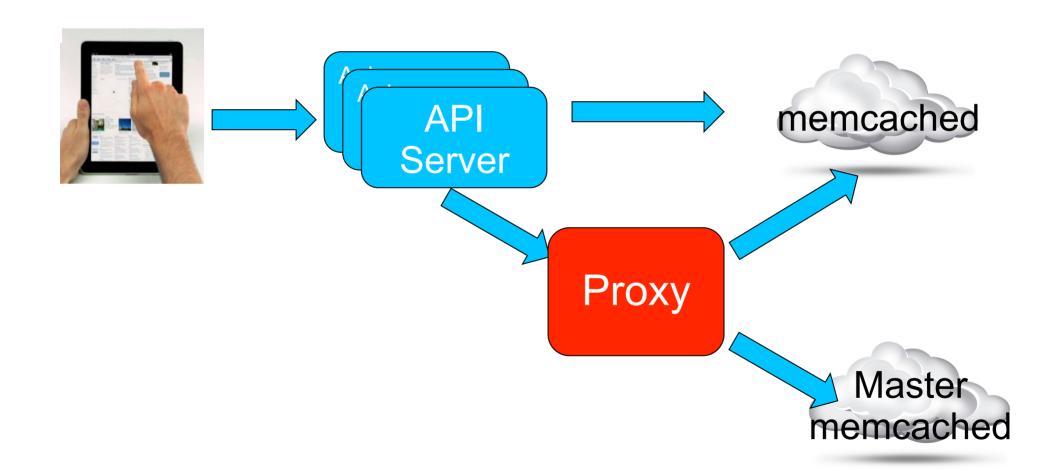


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