Virgo 3.0.0 Release Review

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Planned Review Date: 17-24 August 2011 Communication Channel: Virgo forum Glyn Normington (Project Lead)

Introduction

- Virgo is a mature project derived from SpringSource dm Server v2. Version 3 represents the first major functional enhancement since the contribution.
- Release contents
 - Tomcat based web server for enterprise Java applications
 - Jetty based web server for enterprise Java applications
 - Kernel base for web servers and other server types
 - Snaps framework for modular OSGi web applications
 - Documentation
 - New version of GreenPages sample



Features

 The objective of this release is closer integration with other Eclipse RT projects.

Major features:

- Provide Jetty based alternative to Virgo Tomcat Server
- Support snaps modular OSGi web applications framework
- Upgrade Equinox to 3.7 and OSGi 4.3
- Upgrade Tomcat to version 7 and Servlet 3.0
- Upgrade Spring framework to 3.0.5
- Upgrade Gemini Web to 2.0 and make web behaviour conform strictly to the OSGi web spec
- Replace the Equinox shell with Apache Felix Gogo, including telnet and ssh access
- Base region support on OSGi standard framework hooks via Equinox region digraph support
- Use Equinox rather than Felix OSGi service implementations
- Allow PARs to contain plans
- Support OSGi Log service

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- Integrate Declarative Services support in both kernel and user region
- Separate Configuration Admin instances in kernel and user region

Non-Code Aspects

- User documentation:
 - User Guide
 - Programmer Guide
 - Snaps User Guide
 - 2.x to 3.0 migration notes
 - A Guide to the GreenPages Sample
- I18n enabled, English resource files only
- GreenPages sample v2.4.0 will be released with Virgo 3.0



APIs

- The APIs in this release meet Eclipse Quality standards
- Migration from Virgo 2.1 is straightforward and documented



Architectural Issues

p2 integration deferred to a future release (probably 3.5) as it is taking longer than expected to finalise



Tool Usability

- Virgo tooling has been donated to Eclipse
 - First milestone issued
 - Work in progress to clean up the dependencies and fix various bugs



Incubation Content

- Virgo 3.0 includes bundles from Equinox bundles project that are in incubation
 - Region digraph (moved from Virgo)
 - Console supportability (integrates Apache Felix Gogo)
- Rationale for inclusion
 - Region digraph is stable and mature
 - New console no longer depends on OSGi Alliance standard being finalised
- The download page will note the incubation content to avoid misleading anyone



End-of-Life

- Web Application Bundles are now processed in strict conformance with the OSGi specification
 - Previous behaviour can be enabled by a configuration property
 - This property causes a message to be issued to warn that the property may not be supported in future releases



BugzillaFixed

Target Milestone

Severity		3.0.0.M01	3.0.0.M02	3.0.0.M03	3.0.0.M04	3.0.0.M05	3.0.0.M06	3.0.0.RC1	Total
	critical	<u>1</u>							<u>1</u>
	major	<u>3</u>	1		2			<u>2</u>	<u>8</u>
	normal	<u>39</u>	4	<u>5</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>12</u>	4	<u>11</u>	<u>84</u>
	minor	<u>6</u>	2	1	1		1	<u>2</u>	<u>13</u>
	trivial	<u>2</u>	1			<u>2</u>	1	•	<u>6</u>
	enhancement	<u>16</u>	1	1	<u>3</u>	<u>Z</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>34</u>
	Total	<u>67</u>	<u>9</u>	Z	<u>15</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>146</u>



Bugzilla

- Not fixed
 - Both major bugs relate to the tooling

Target Milestone

			2.4.0.RELEASE	3.0.0.RELEASE	3.5.0.RELEASE	Total
	major	2				2
	normal	<u>34</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>46</u>
Severity	minor				<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
	trivial	1				1
	enhancement	<u>89</u>			<u>11</u>	100
	Total	<u>126</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	22	<u>150</u>



Standards

- Virgo requires Java 6 or later
- Virgo supports OSGi v4.3
- The Gemini Web container provides support for Web Bundles as defined by OSGi Enterprise Spec v4.2
- Tomcat 7 provides underlying servlet 3.0 support
- Kernel uses OSGi standard framework hooks
- Lazily activated bundles are started in conformance with the OSGi specification



UI Usability

- Admin Console
 - no usability issues raised by users
- Shell
 - Completely replaced by new shell based on Apache Felix Gogo



Schedule

Release slipped from June 2011 to August 2011



Communities

- Bugzilla in active use by users and contributors
- Virgo forum and virgo-dev similarly active
- Weekly Virgo community call
- Blogs
- Twitter is used for propagating news updates
- IRC channel has seen a small number of users
- Committers have demo'd Virgo at EclipseCon and elsewhere
- Presentations at EclipseCon and OSGi conferences
- Interaction with Gemini, Equinox, Jetty, and p2 projects



IP Log

- The Eclipse IP policies and procedures have been followed
- IP Log:
 - http://www.eclipse.org/projects/ip_log.php? projectid=rt.virgo
 - Plan to freeze the IP log on 3 August 2011
 - CQs 4309 and 4312 to be removed from frozen IP log as they are not needed for 3.0.0 release



Credits and Kudos

- New committers:
 - Hristo Illiev (SAP AG)
 - Borislav Kapukaranov (SAP AG)
 - Violeta Georgieva (SAP AG)
 - Dmitry Sklyut (Chariot Solutions)

