

Public Preview
Version

Software Trace Analysis

Accelerated

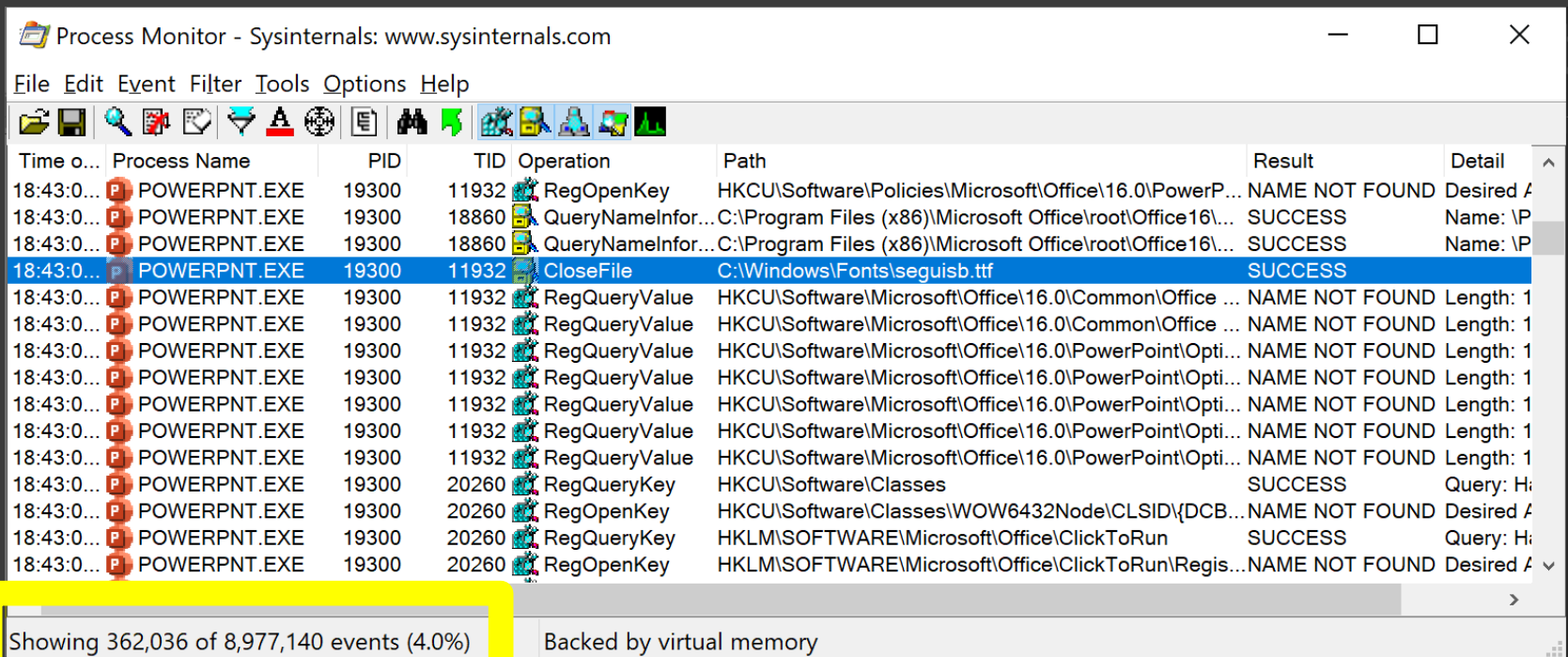
Revised Version

Part 1: Fundamentals and Basic Patterns

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What's it all About?

- General trace and log analysis patterns
- Some examples are from Windows



Process Monitor - Sysinternals: www.sysinternals.com

File Edit Event Filter Tools Options Help

Time o...	Process Name	PID	TID	Operation	Path	Result	Detail
18:43:0...	POWERPNT.EXE	19300	11932	RegOpenKey	HKCU\Software\Policies\Microsoft\Office\16.0\PowerP...	NAME NOT FOUND	Desired A
18:43:0...	POWERPNT.EXE	19300	18860	QueryNameInfor...	C:\Program Files (x86)\Microsoft Office\root\Office16\...	SUCCESS	Name: \P
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18:43:0...	POWERPNT.EXE	19300	11932	CloseFile	C:\Windows\Fonts\seguisb.ttf	SUCCESS	
18:43:0...	POWERPNT.EXE	19300	11932	RegQueryValue	HKCU\Software\Microsoft\Office\16.0\Common\Office ...	NAME NOT FOUND	Length: 1
18:43:0...	POWERPNT.EXE	19300	11932	RegQueryValue	HKCU\Software\Microsoft\Office\16.0\Common\Office ...	NAME NOT FOUND	Length: 1
18:43:0...	POWERPNT.EXE	19300	11932	RegQueryValue	HKCU\Software\Microsoft\Office\16.0\PowerPoint\Opti...	NAME NOT FOUND	Length: 1
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18:43:0...	POWERPNT.EXE	19300	20260	RegQueryKey	HKCU\Software\Classes	SUCCESS	Query: Hi
18:43:0...	POWERPNT.EXE	19300	20260	RegOpenKey	HKCU\Software\Classes\WOW6432Node\CLSID{DCB...	NAME NOT FOUND	Desired A
18:43:0...	POWERPNT.EXE	19300	20260	RegQueryKey	HKLM\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Office\ClickToRun	SUCCESS	Query: Hi
18:43:0...	POWERPNT.EXE	19300	20260	RegOpenKey	HKLM\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Office\ClickToRun\Regis...	NAME NOT FOUND	Desired A

Showing 362,036 of 8,977,140 events (4.0%) Backed by virtual memory

Prerequisites

Basic OS troubleshooting

Training Goals

- Review tracing and logging fundamentals
- Learn basic trace and log analysis patterns

Training Principles

- Lots of pictures
- Pattern relationships

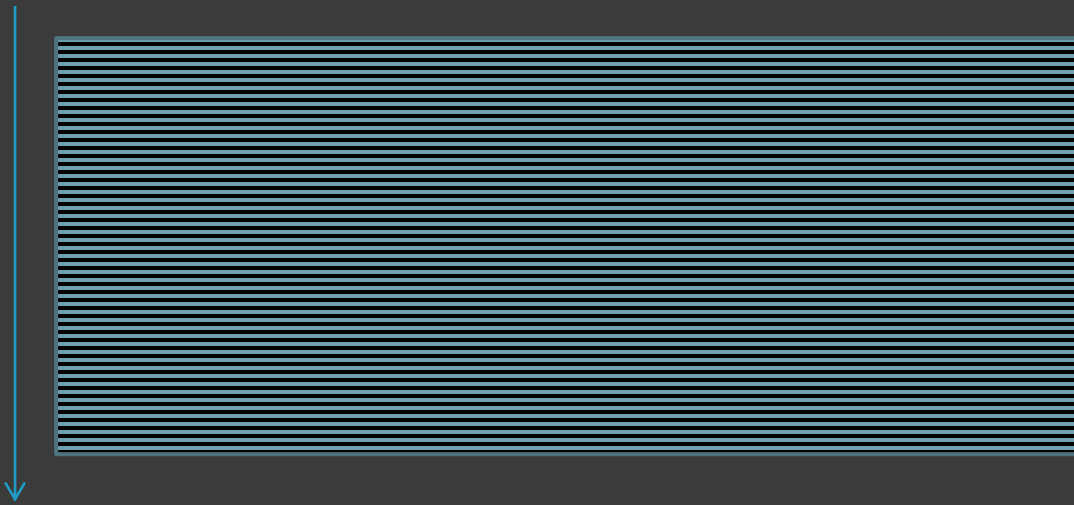
Part 1A: Fundamentals

Basic Concepts

- Software Trace (Log)
- Process
- Thread
- **Adjoint Thread**
- Component (Module or Source)
- File
- Function
- Message (Operation)
- Stack trace

Software Trace (Log)

- ⦿ A sequence of formatted messages
- ⦿ Arranged by time
- ⦿ A narrative story



Process

- PID
- Session
- Image Name
- Modules (DLLs)
- Examples:

svchost.exe

PID 1

PID 2

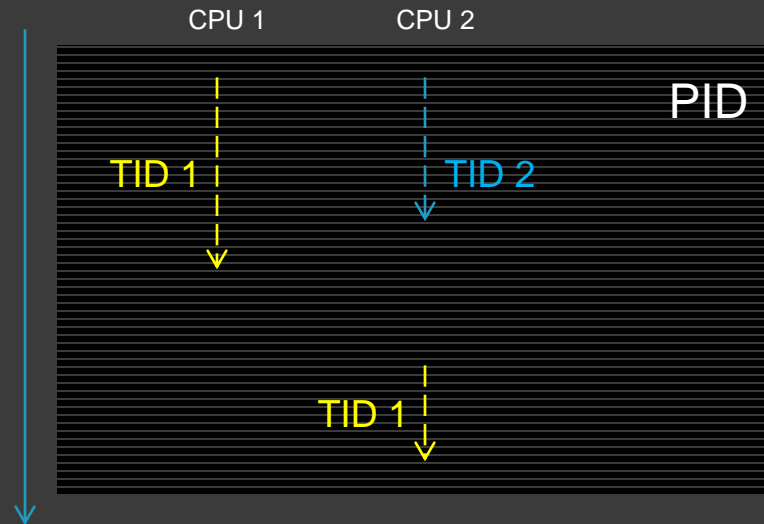
notepad.exe

PID 3

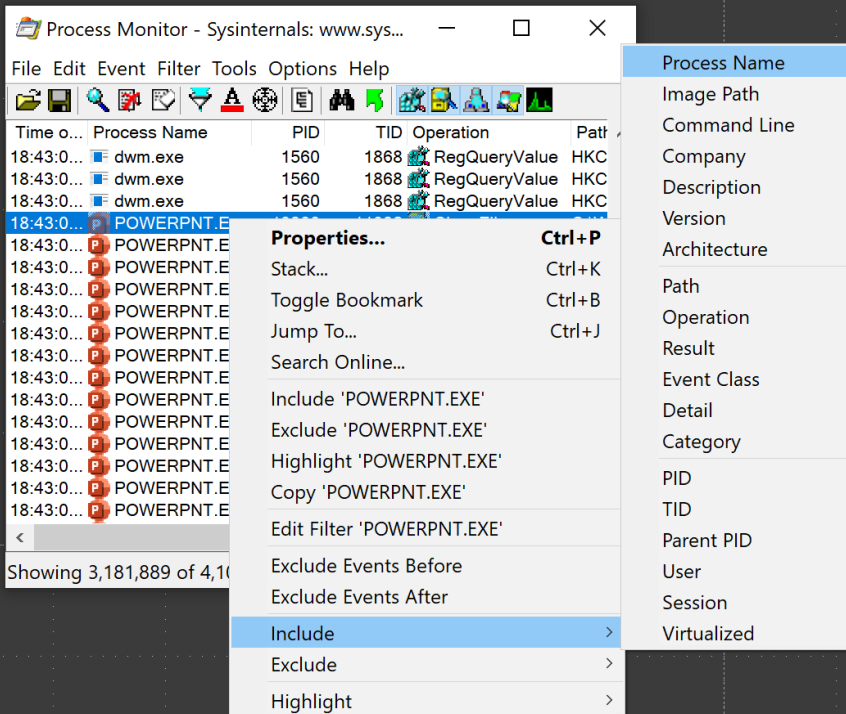
PID 4

Thread

- TID
- CPU
- Context



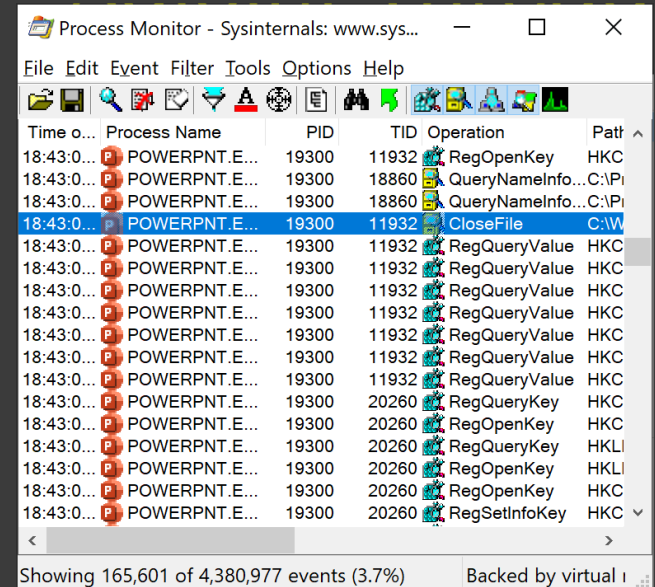
Adjoint Thread



The screenshot shows the Process Monitor application window with a context menu open over a selected event. The event is a 'RegQueryValue' operation performed by 'dwm.exe' (PID 1560, TID 1868). The context menu includes options like 'Properties...', 'Stack...', 'Toggle Bookmark', and 'Include'. The 'Include' option is highlighted.

Time	Process Name	PID	TID	Operation	Path
18:43:0...	dwm.exe	1560	1868	RegQueryValue	HKC
18:43:0...	dwm.exe	1560	1868	RegQueryValue	HKC
18:43:0...	dwm.exe	1560	1868	RegQueryValue	HKC

- Process Name
- Image Path
- Command Line
- Company
- Description
- Version
- Architecture
- Path
- Operation
- Result
- Event Class
- Detail
- Category
- PID
- TID
- Parent PID
- User
- Session
- Virtualized



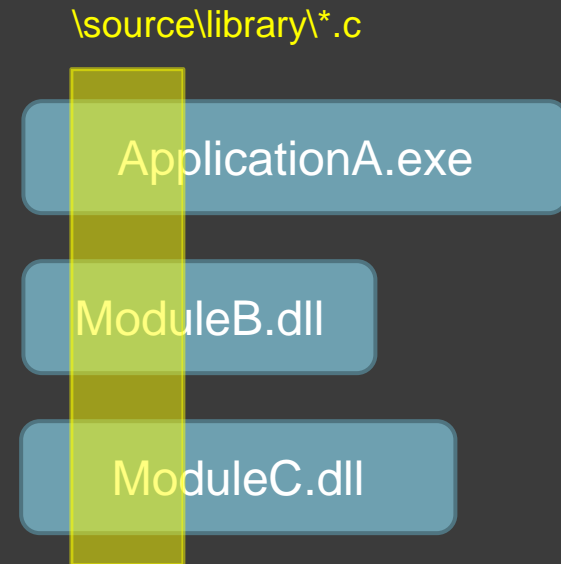
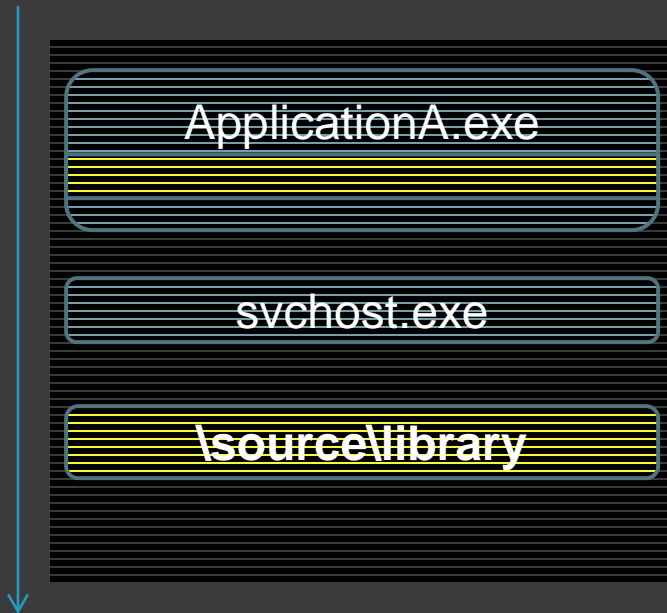
The screenshot shows the Process Monitor application window with a selected event. The event is a 'CloseFile' operation performed by 'POWERPNT.E...' (PID 19300, TID 11932). The event list shows multiple 'RegQueryValue' operations performed by 'POWERPNT.E...'.

Time	Process Name	PID	TID	Operation	Path
18:43:0...	POWERPNT.E...	19300	11932	RegOpenKey	HKC
18:43:0...	POWERPNT.E...	19300	18860	QueryNameInfo...	C:\Pi
18:43:0...	POWERPNT.E...	19300	18860	QueryNameInfo...	C:\Pi
18:43:0...	POWERPNT.E...	19300	11932	CloseFile	C:\W
18:43:0...	POWERPNT.E...	19300	11932	RegQueryValue	HKC
18:43:0...	POWERPNT.E...	19300	11932	RegQueryValue	HKC
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18:43:0...	POWERPNT.E...	19300	20260	RegQueryKey	HKC
18:43:0...	POWERPNT.E...	19300	20260	RegOpenKey	HKC
18:43:0...	POWERPNT.E...	19300	20260	RegQueryKey	HKLI
18:43:0...	POWERPNT.E...	19300	20260	RegOpenKey	HKLI
18:43:0...	POWERPNT.E...	19300	20260	RegOpenKey	HKC
18:43:0...	POWERPNT.E...	19300	20260	RegSetInfoKey	HKC

Debugging TV Frame 0x14

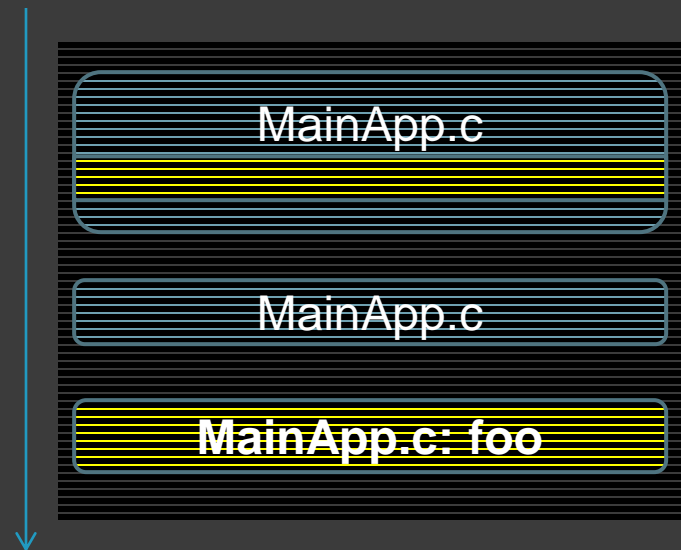
Component / Module / Source

- Module Name
- Source Folder



File and Function

```
// MainApp.c  
foo () {  
    trace("foo: entry");  
    // do stuff  
    trace("foo: exit");  
}
```



Trace Message

```
// MainApp.c
foo () {
    trace("foo: entry");
    int result = bar();
    trace("bar result: 5");
    trace("foo: exit");
}
```

Invariant

Variable

Invariant

Variable

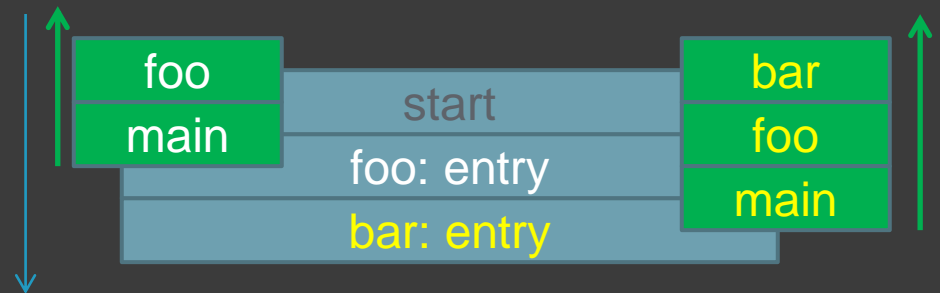
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Stack Trace

```
// MainApp.c
main() {
    trace("start");
    foo();
}

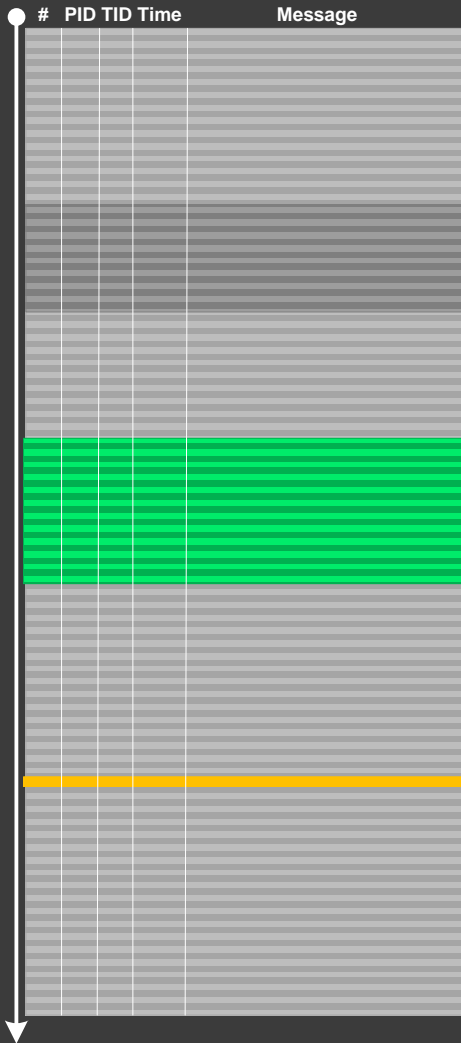
foo() {
    trace("foo: entry");
    bar();
}

bar() {
    trace("bar: entry");
    // do stuff
}
```



Minimal Trace Graphs

Time



No	Module	PID	TID	Date	Time	Message
1	ModuleA	4280	1736	5/28/2012	08:53:50.496	Trace message 1
2	ModuleB	6212	6216	5/28/2012	08:53:52.876	Trace message 2
[...]						

Common Trace Formats

- ⦿ ETW
- ⦿ CSV
- ⦿ Free
- ⦿ Mixed

Pattern-Driven Analysis

Diagnostic Pattern: a common recurrent identifiable problem together with a set of recommendations and possible solutions to apply in a specific context.

Diagnostic Problem: a set of indicators (symptoms, signs) describing a problem.

Diagnostic Analysis Pattern: a common recurrent analysis technique and method of diagnostic pattern identification in a specific context.

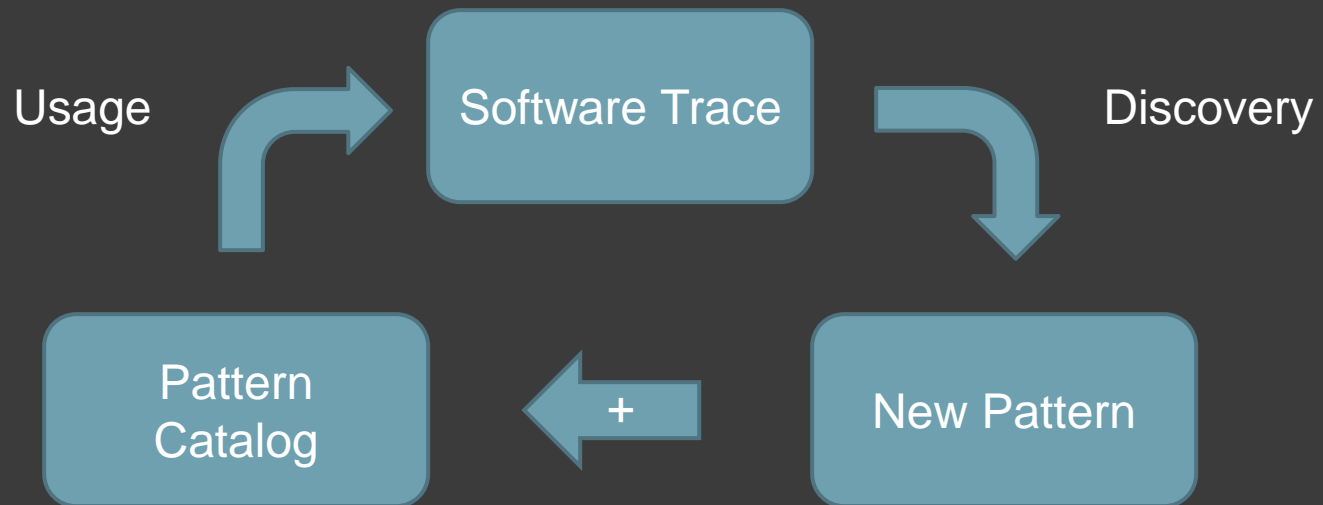
Diagnostics Pattern Language: common names of diagnostic and diagnostic analysis patterns. The same language for any operating system: Windows, Mac OS X, Linux, ...



Checklist: <http://www.dumpanalysis.org/blog/index.php/2011/03/10/software-trace-analysis-checklist/>

Patterns: <http://www.dumpanalysis.org/blog/index.php/trace-analysis-patterns/>

Pattern-Based Analysis

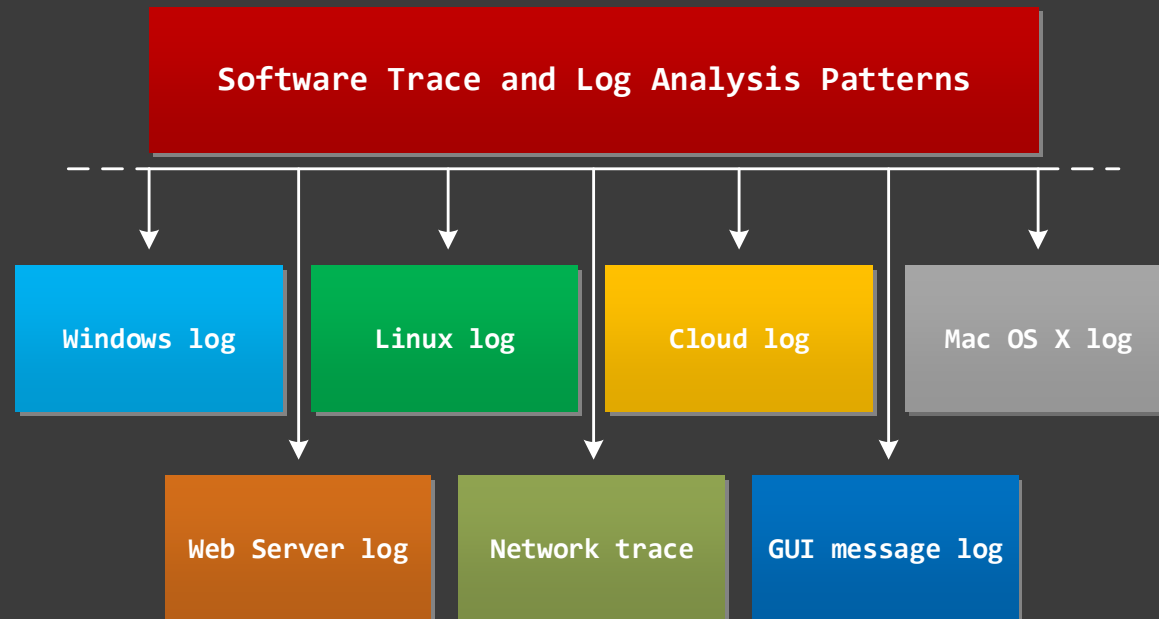


Pattern Hierarchy

- Domain Independent

from IBM mainframes to mobile and embedded computers

- Domain Specific



Pattern Classification

- ⦿ Vocabulary
- ⦿ Error
- ⦿ Trace as a Whole
- ⦿ Large Scale
- ⦿ Activity
- ⦿ Message
- ⦿ Block
- ⦿ Trace Set

Part 1B: Basic Patterns

Vocabulary Patterns

- Basic Facts
- Vocabulary Index

Basic Facts

Related Patterns

Vocabulary Index

Problem Description

Application disappears after launch

Software Trace

PID	Message
...	
3f6	Create process AppA: PID 4a5
4a5	AppA loads DLLC
...	
3f6	Create process AppB: PID 5b8
5b8	AppB loads DLLD
...	

Basic Facts Taxonomy

- Functional Facts

Example: Expected a dialog to enter data

- Non-functional Facts

Example: CPU consumption 100%

- Identification Facts

Application name, PID, user name

Vocabulary Index

Related Patterns

Basic Facts
Activity Region

Problem Description

A **user Test123** **authentication** failed
basic fact index

Narrowing:



Error Patterns

- ⦿ Error Message
- ⦿ Exception Stack Trace
- ⦿ False Positive Error
- ⦿ Periodic Error ↓*
- ⦿ Error Distribution

* ‘ ↓ ’ sign means that a pattern involves time dependency

Error Message

- ⦿ Explicit errors
- ⦿ Implicit errors
- ⦿ WinDbg command !error

Related Patterns

False Positive Error
Periodic Error
Error Distribution
Adjoint Thread
Data Flow

```
0:000> !error c0000017
```

```
Error code: (NTSTATUS) 0xc0000017 (3221225495) - {Not Enough Quota} Not enough  
virtual memory or paging file quota is available to complete the specified  
operation.
```

```
0:000> !error 5
```

```
Error code: (Win32) 0x5 (5) - Access is denied.
```

Exception Stack Trace

Related Patterns

Error Message

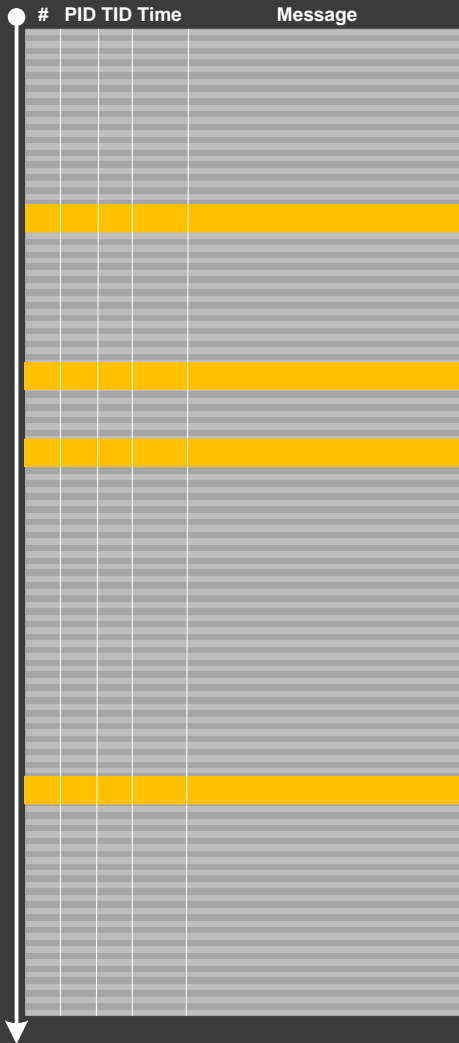
No	PID	TID	Message
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[...]
265799 8984 4216 ComponentA.Store.GetData threw **exception**: 'System.Reflection.TargetInvocationException: DCOM connection to server **failed with error**: 'Exception from HRESULT: 0x842D0001' -> System.Runtime.InteropServices.COMException (0x842D0001): Exception from HRESULT: 0x842D0001
265800 8984 4216 === Exception Stack Trace ===
265801 8984 4216 at System.Runtime.Remoting.Proxies.RealProxy.HandleReturnMessage(IMessage reqMsg, IMessage retMsg)
265802 8984 4216 at System.Runtime.Remoting.Proxies.RealProxy.PrivateInvoke(MessageData& msgData, Int32 type)
265803 8984 4216 at ComponentA.Store.GetData(Byte[] pKey)
265804 8984 4216 at ComponentA.App.EnumBusinessObjects()
[...]



Periodic Error ↓

Time



```
No      PID  TID  Message
-----
[...]
36495  1788  2250  MyClass::Init: Cannot open connection "Client ID: 310", status=5
[...]
[...]
36883  1788  1986  MyClass::Init: Cannot open connection "Client ID: 612", status=5
[...]
```

Related Patterns

- Error Message**
- Error Distribution**
- False Positive Error**
- Message Invariant**

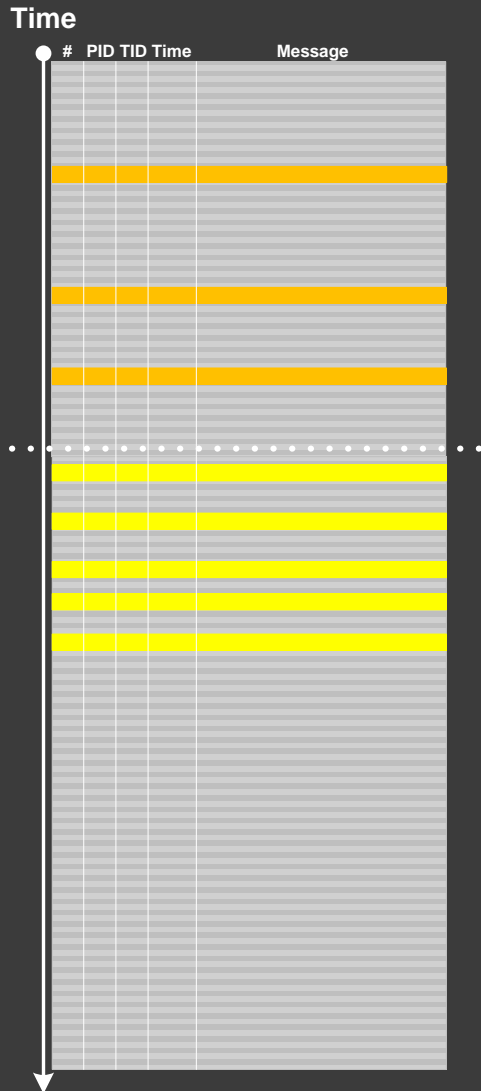
False Positive Error

- ⦿ Expected errors
- ⦿ Not relevant to our problem
- ⦿ Implementation details

Related Patterns

Error Message
Master Trace
Activity Region

Error Distribution



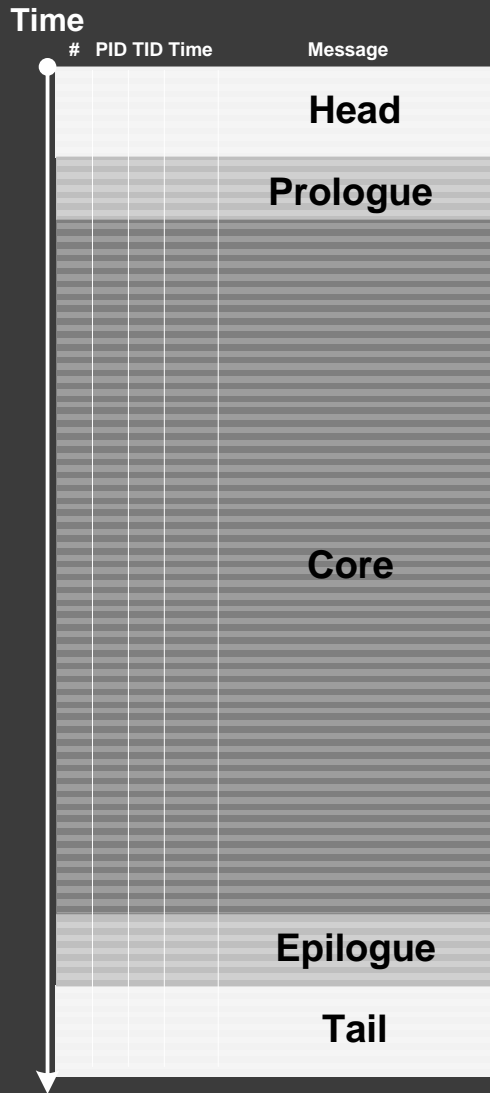
Related Patterns

**Partition
Activity Region**

Trace as a Whole

- Partition
- Circular Trace ↓
- Message Density
- Message Current ↓
- Trace Acceleration ↓
- No Trace Metafile
- Empty Trace
- Missing Component
- Guest Component
- Truncated Trace ↓
- Visibility Limit
- Sparse Trace

Partition



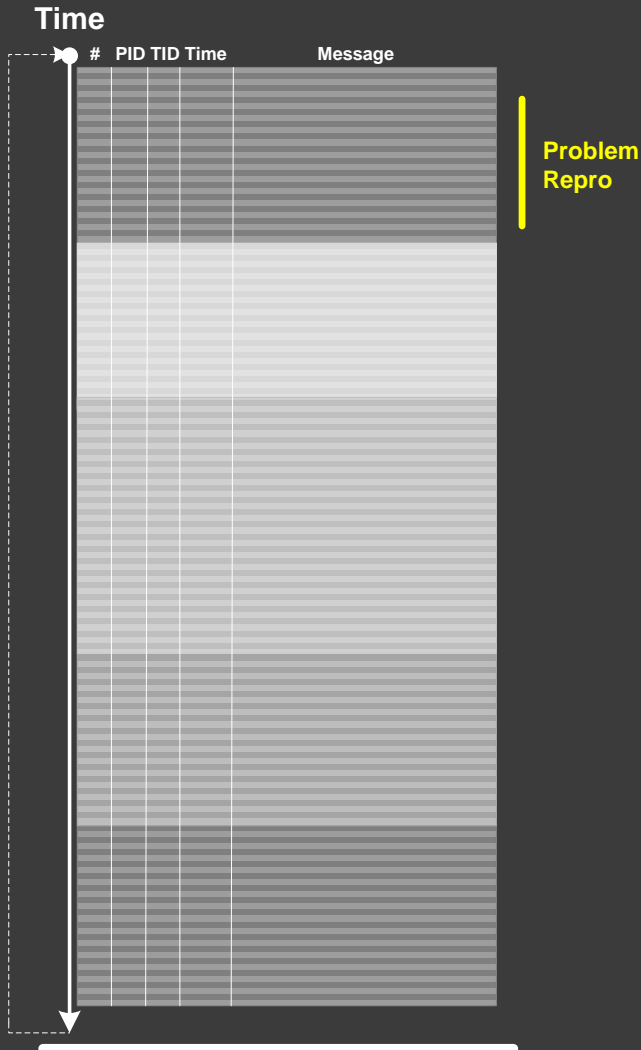
Related Patterns

Significant Event
Truncated Trace
Adjoint Thread

Circular Trace ↓

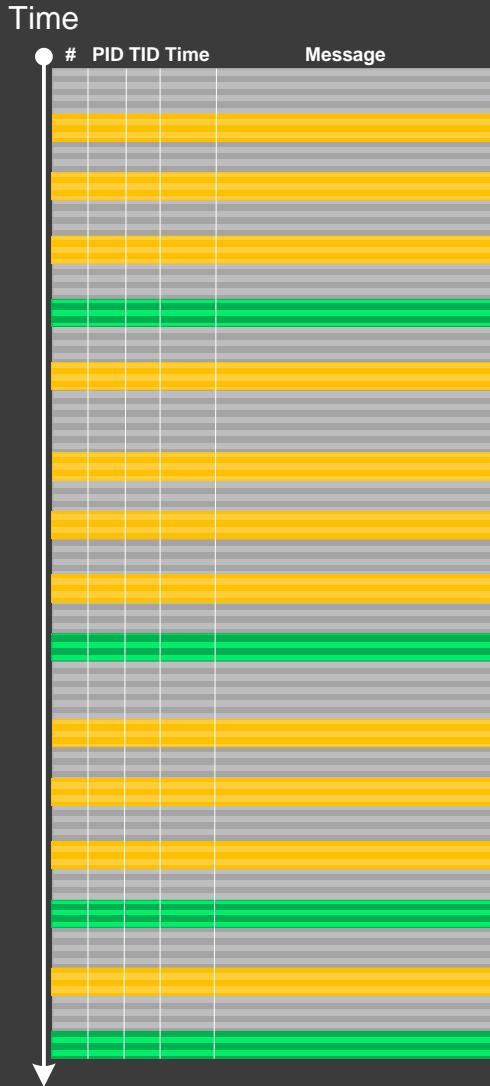
Related Patterns

Focus of Tracing



No	Module	PID	TID	Date	Time	Message
1	ModuleA	4280	1736	5/28/2009	08:53:50.496	Trace message 1
2	ModuleB	6212	6216	5/28/2009	08:53:52.876	Trace message 2
3	ModuleA	4280	4776	5/28/2009	08:54:13.537	Trace message 3
[...]						
3799	ModuleA	4280	3776	5/28/2009	09:15:00.853	Trace message 3799
3800	ModuleA	4280	1736	5/27/2009	09:42:12.029	Trace message 3800
[...]						
579210	ModuleA	4280	4776	5/28/2009	08:53:35.989	Trace message 579210

Message Density



Related Patterns

Intra-correlation
Focus of Tracing
Relative Density
Partition

$$D_1 > D_2$$

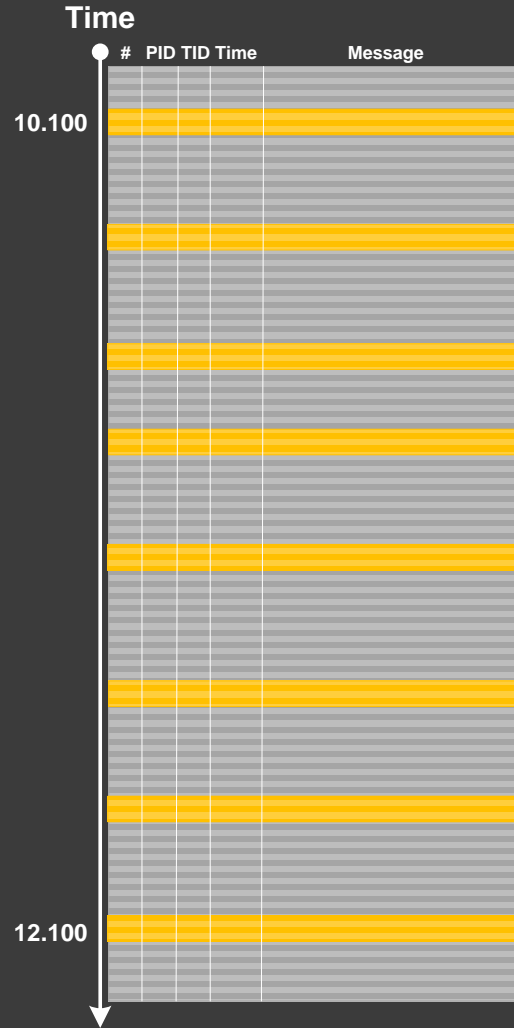
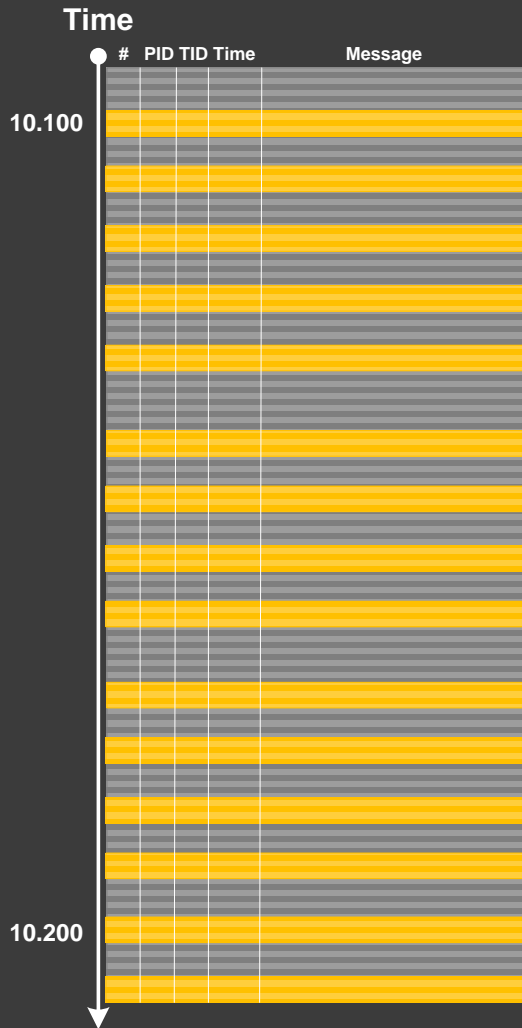
Similar relative density for 2 traces may show correlation:

$$D_{11} / D_{21} = D_{12} / D_{22}$$

For correlated messages different densities from 2 traces may show different partition or system conditions:

$$D_{11} \gg D_{12}$$

Message Current ↓

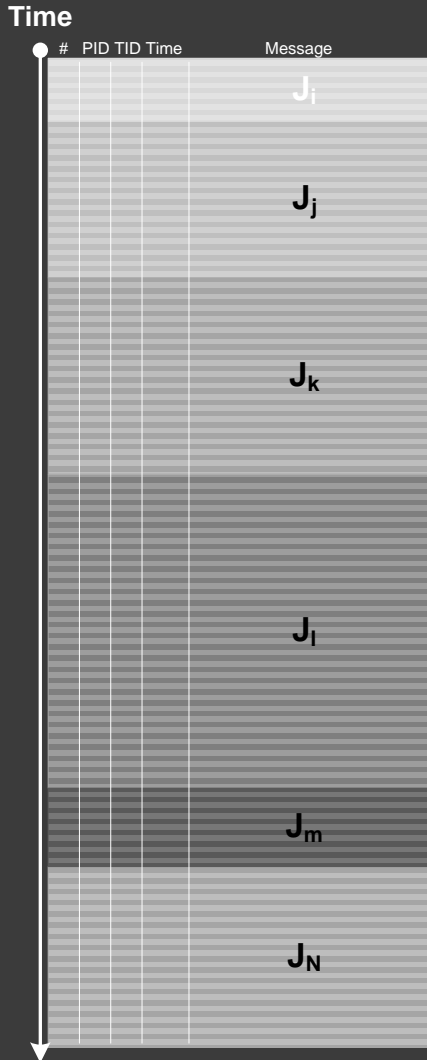


Related Patterns

- Significant Event
- Activity Region
- Message Density

$$J_1 > J_2$$

Trace Acceleration ↓



Related Patterns

Activity Region
Message Current
Thread of Activity
Adjoint Thread of Activity

Message current $J_i < J_j$, $i < j < N$

Partial message currents:

with respect to TID X

$J_{k(TID=x)}$

with respect to PID Y

$J_{k(PID=y)}$

with respect to PID X and TID Z

$J_{k(PID=y \& TID=z)}$

No Trace Metafile

Related Patterns

Thread of Activity

```
#      Module  PID  TID  Time      Message
-----
[...]  
21372 dllA    2968 5476 3:55:10.004 Calling foo()  
21373 Unknown 2968 5476 3:55:10.004 Unknown GUID=A1E38F24-613D-4D71-B9F5-... (No Format Information found).  
21374 Unknown 2968 5476 3:55:10.004 Unknown GUID=A1E38F24-613D-4D71-B9F5-... (No Format Information found)  
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21378 dllA    2968 5476 3:55:10.004 Calling bar()  
[...]
```

Possible patterns to detect:

- Circular Trace
- Message Density
- Message Current
- Discontinuity
- Time Delta
- Trace Acceleration

Empty Trace

- ⦿ Small file size
- ⦿ Very few trace messages

Always open a trace before sending to someone else

Related Patterns

Truncated Trace
No Activity
Missing Component

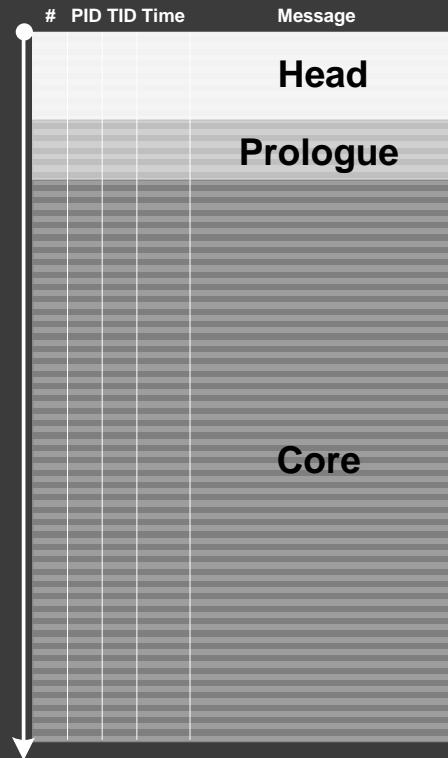
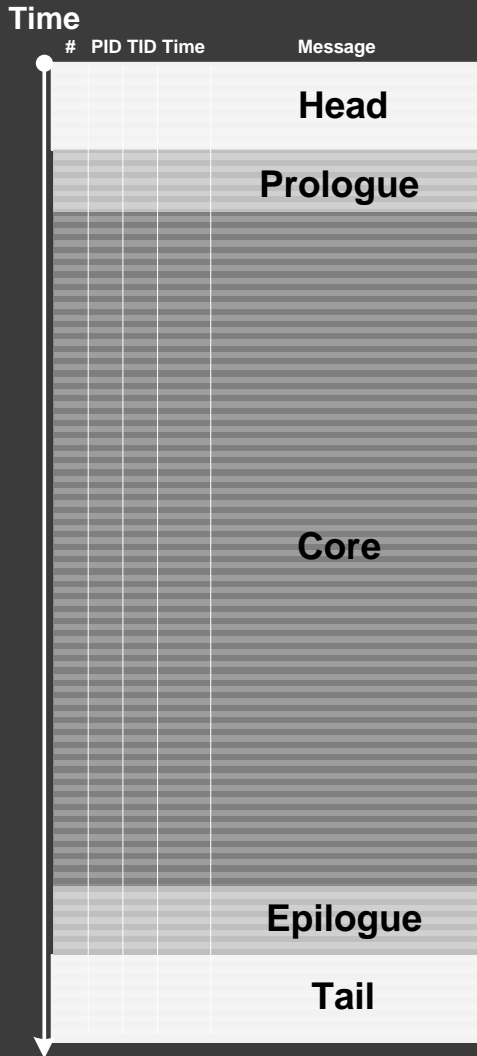
Missing Component



Related Patterns

Discontinuity
Inter-Correlation
No Activity

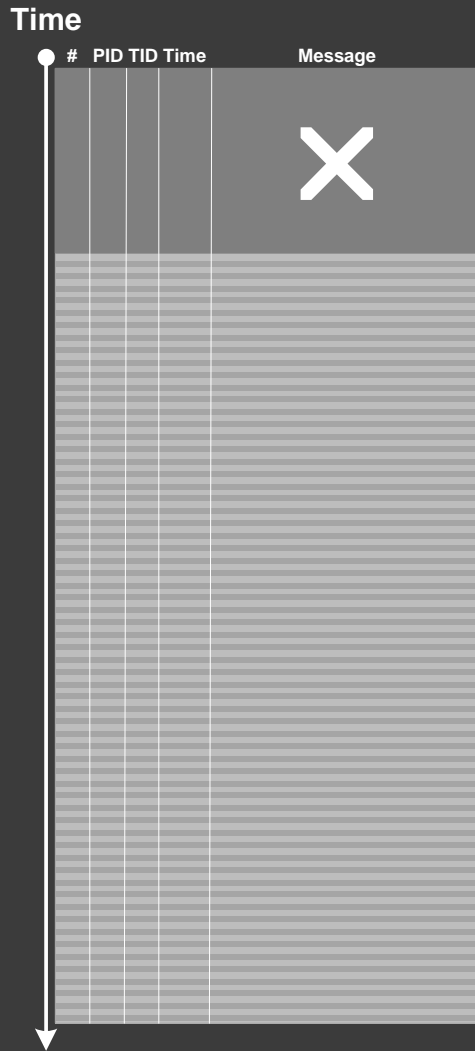
Truncated Trace



Related Patterns

Partition
Anchor Messages
Missing Component

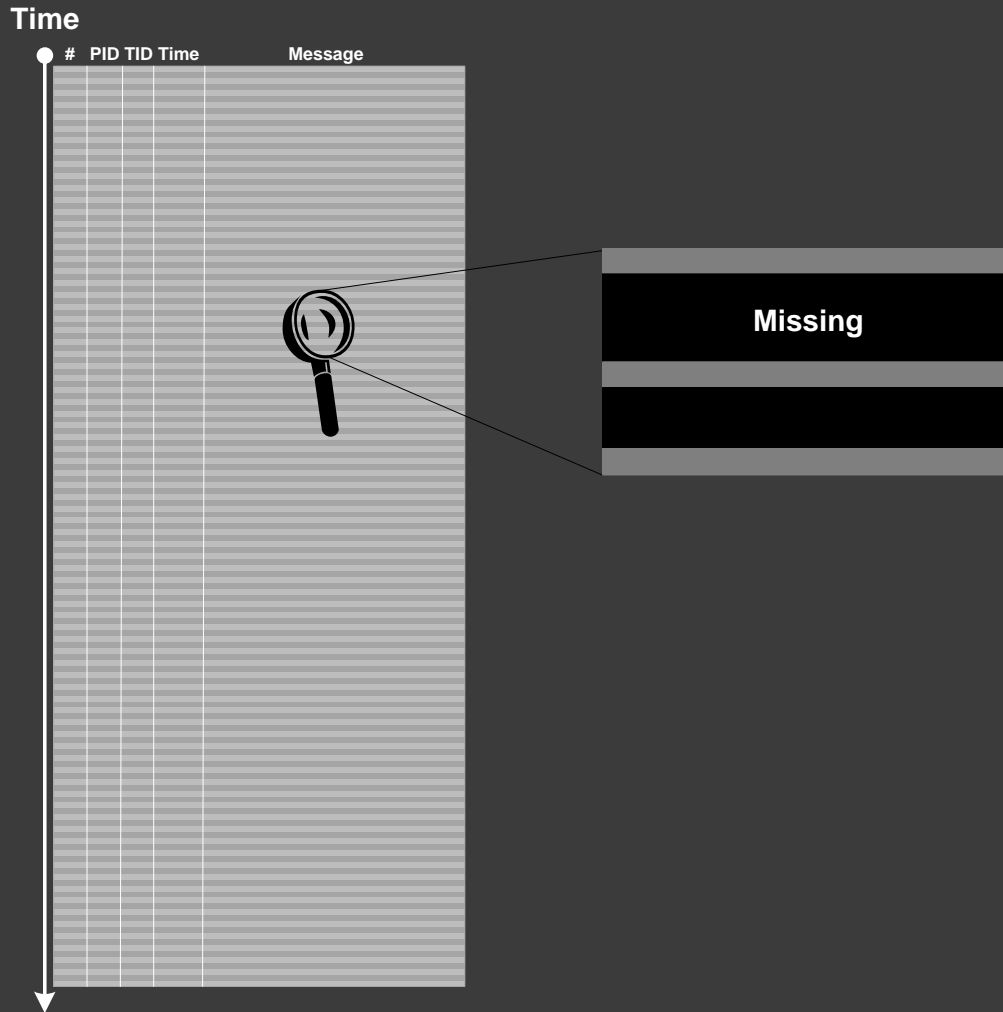
Visibility Limit



Related Patterns

Truncated Trace
Missing Component
Sparse Trace

Sparse Trace



Related Patterns

**Missing Component
Visibility Limit**

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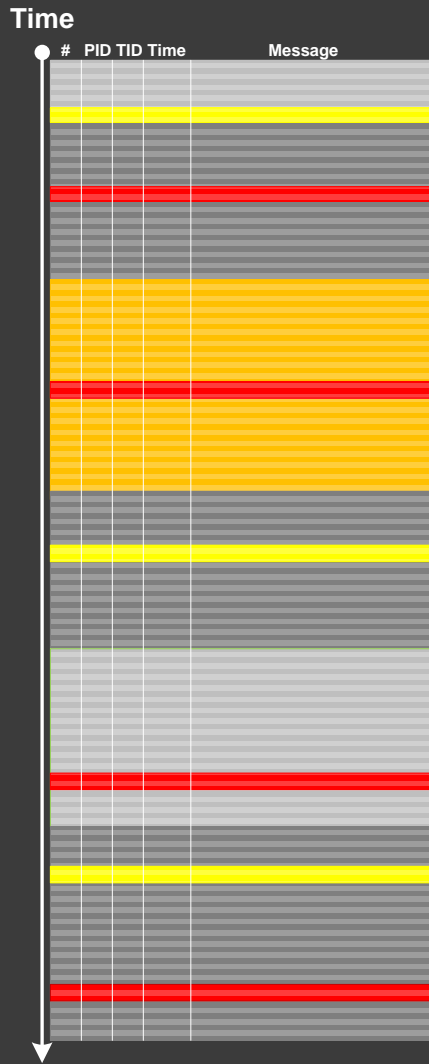
Large Scale Patterns

- ⦿ Characteristic Message Block
- ⦿ Background Components
- ⦿ Foreground Components
- ⦿ Layered Periodization
- ⦿ Focus of Tracing
- ⦿ Event Sequence Order ↓
- ⦿ Trace Frames

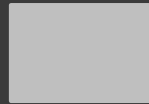
Bird's Eye Binary View



Background Components



Background:



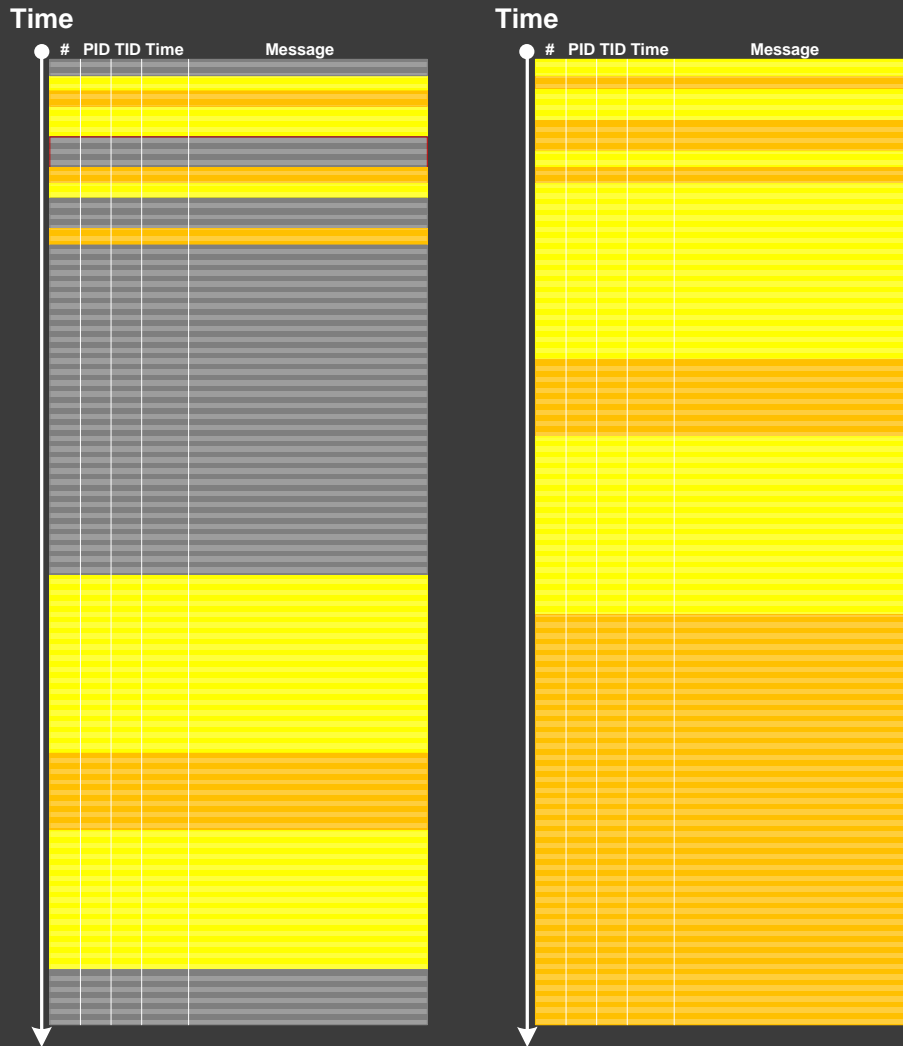
Foreground:



Related Patterns

Foreground Components

Foreground Components

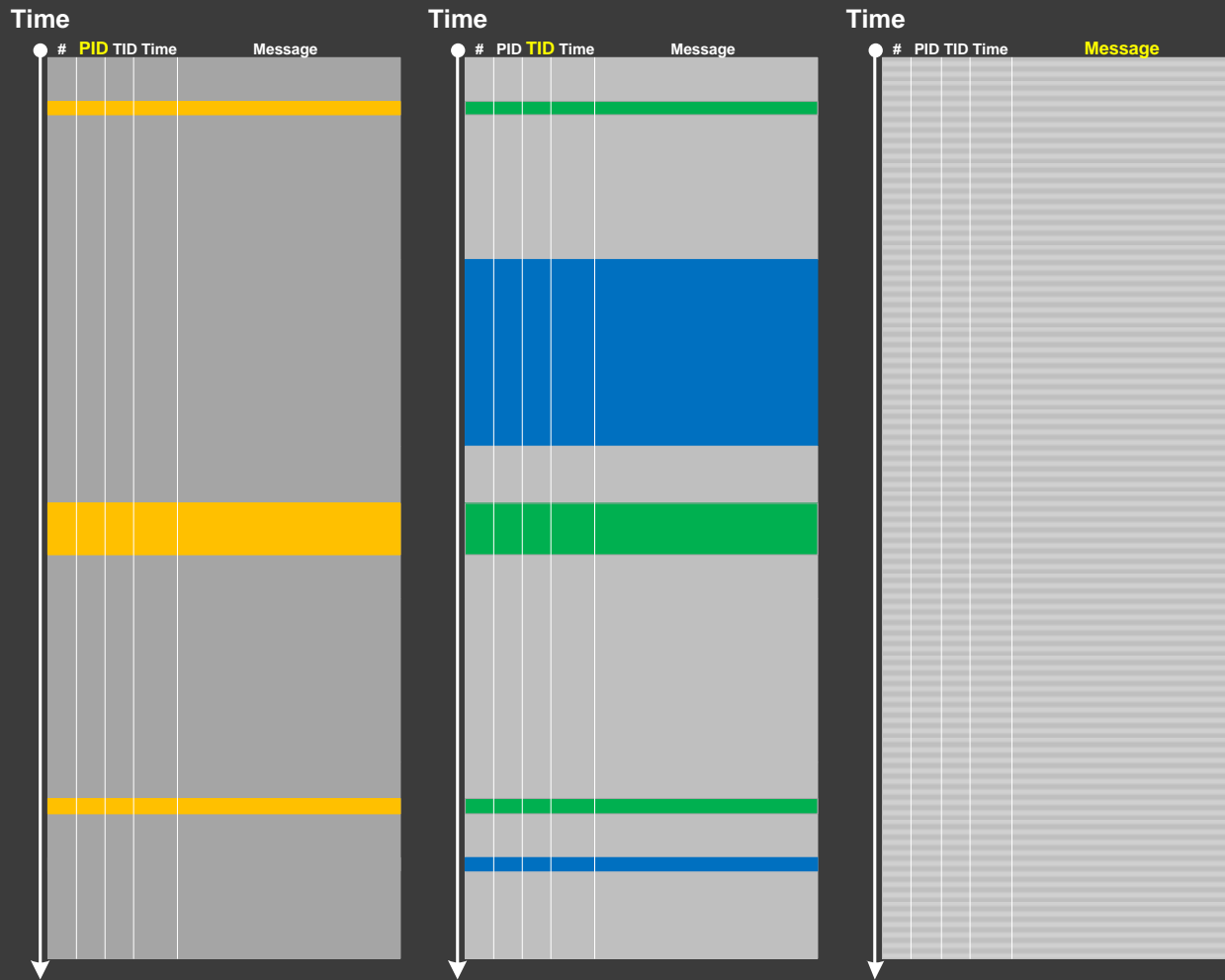


Related Patterns

Background Components

Component Foregrounding

Layered Periodization



Focus of Tracing

Related Patterns

Activity Region



Activity regions: J_{m1} , J_{m2} , J_{m3}

Event Sequence Order ↓



Related Patterns

**Significant Event
Anchor Messages**

Synchronization
Race Conditions
Deadlock

Frames (Source Code)

```
FuncA()  
{  
  FuncAA() { ... }  
  FuncAB() { ... }  
}
```

```
FuncA()  
{  
  FuncAA()  
  {  
    FuncAAA() { ... }  
  }  
  FuncAB()  
  {  
    FuncABA() { ... }  
  }  
}
```

```
FuncA()  
{  
  FuncAA()  
  {  
    FuncAAA()  
    {  
    }  
  }  
  FuncAB()  
  {  
    FuncABA()  
    {  
      FuncABAA()  
      {  
      }  
    }  
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      }  
    }  
  }  
}
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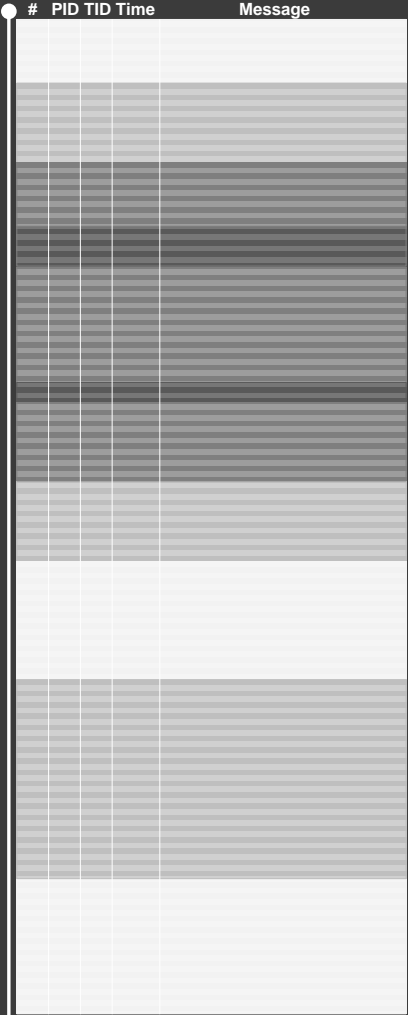
Visual Studio

Trace Frames

Related Patterns

- Thread of Activity
- Adjoint Thread
- Truncated Trace
- Discontinuity

Time



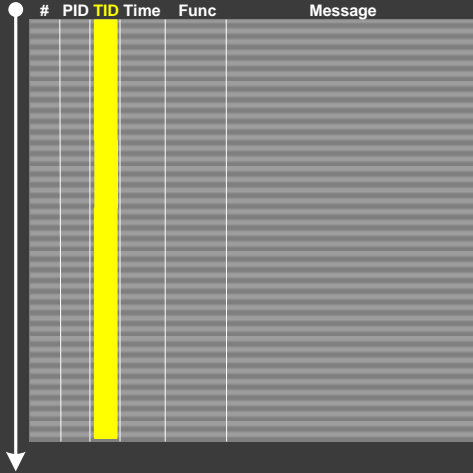
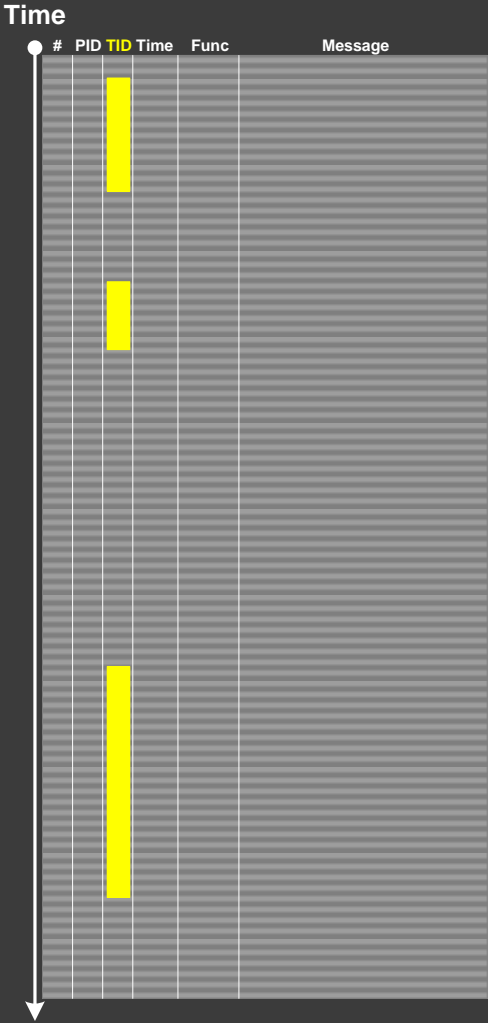
Activity Patterns

- ◎ Thread of Activity ↓
- ◎ Adjoint Thread of Activity ↓
- ◎ No Activity
- ◎ Activity Region
- ◎ Discontinuity ↓
- ◎ Time Delta ↓
- ◎ Glued Activity
- ◎ Break-in Activity ↓
- ◎ Resume Activity ↓
- ◎ Data Flow ↓

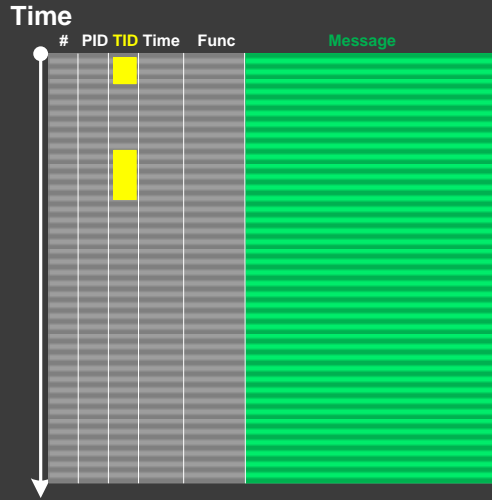
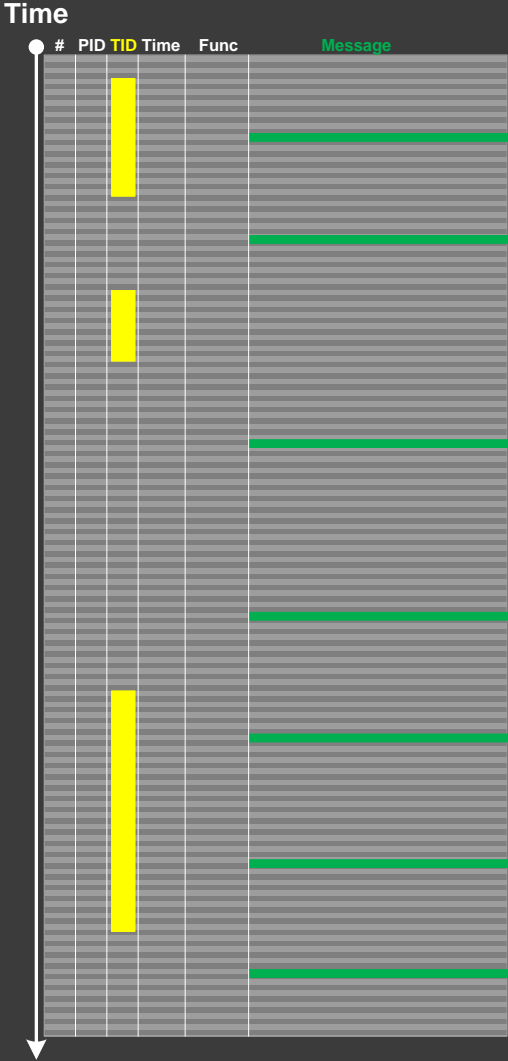
Thread of Activity ↓

Related Patterns

Discontinuity
Sparse Trace



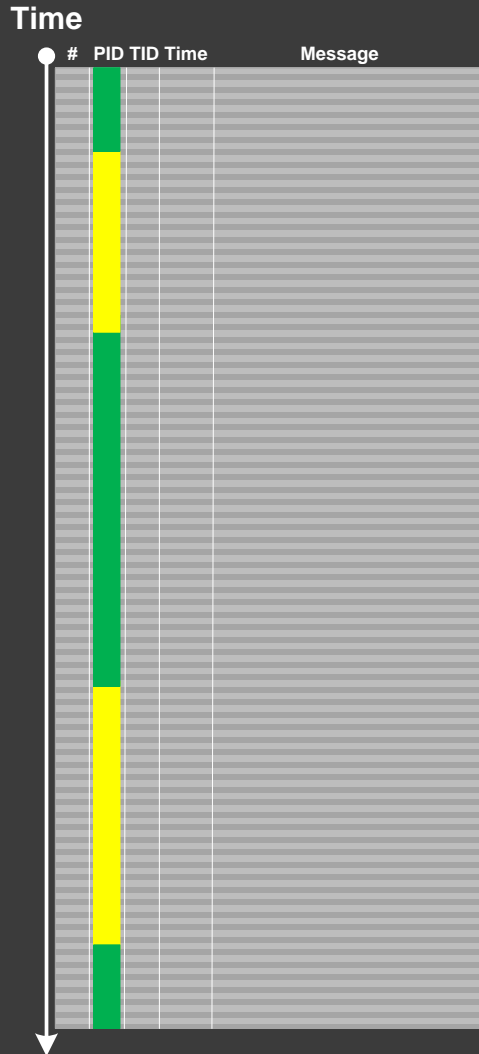
Adjoint Thread of Activity ↓



Related Patterns

Thread of Activity
Message Invariant

No Activity



Related Patterns

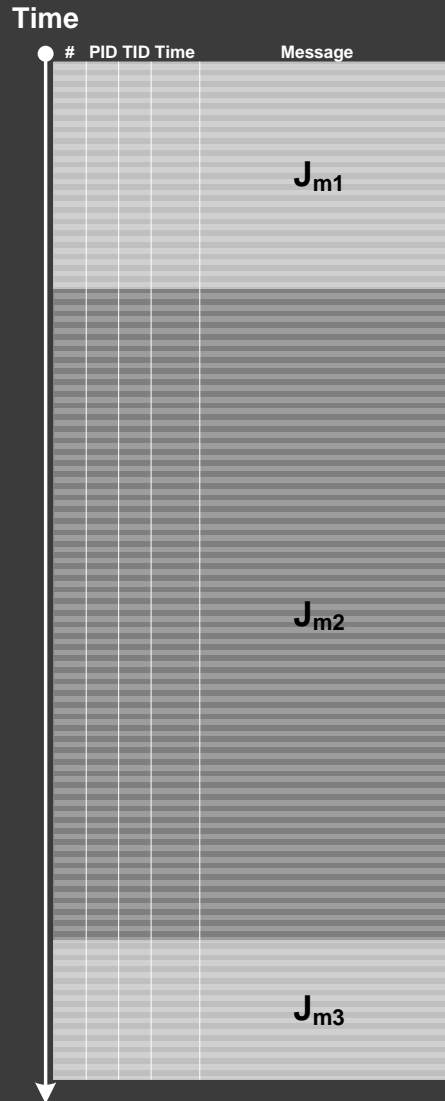
Discontinuity
Sparse Trace
Missing Component

■ We expect this process

Possible causes:

hang, wait chain, deadlock,
terminated threads, CPU loop

Activity Region

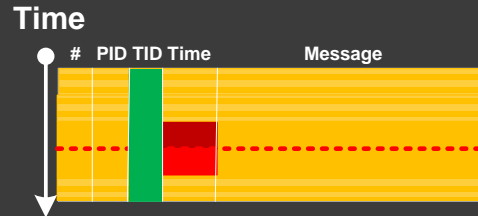
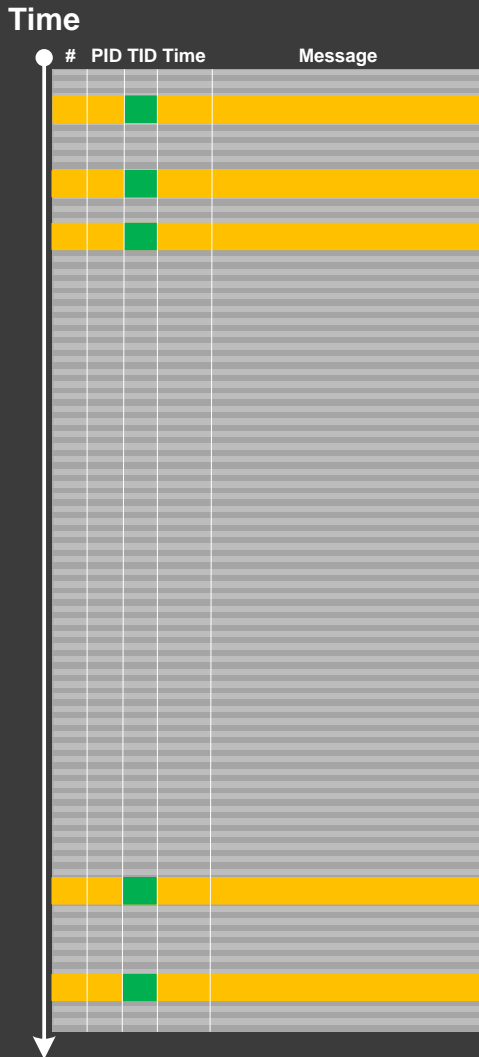


Related Patterns

Message Current
Characteristic Message Block

Message current : $J_{m2} > \max (J_{m1}, J_{m3})$

Discontinuity ↓



Related Patterns

- Thread of Activity
- Missing Component
- Sparse Trace

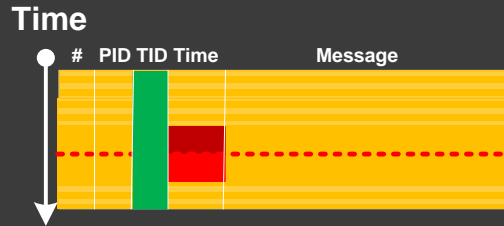
Possible causes:

blocked thread, IPC response delay, wait chains, long computation

Time Delta ↓

Related Patterns

Basic Facts
Thread of Activity
Discontinuity
Significant Event



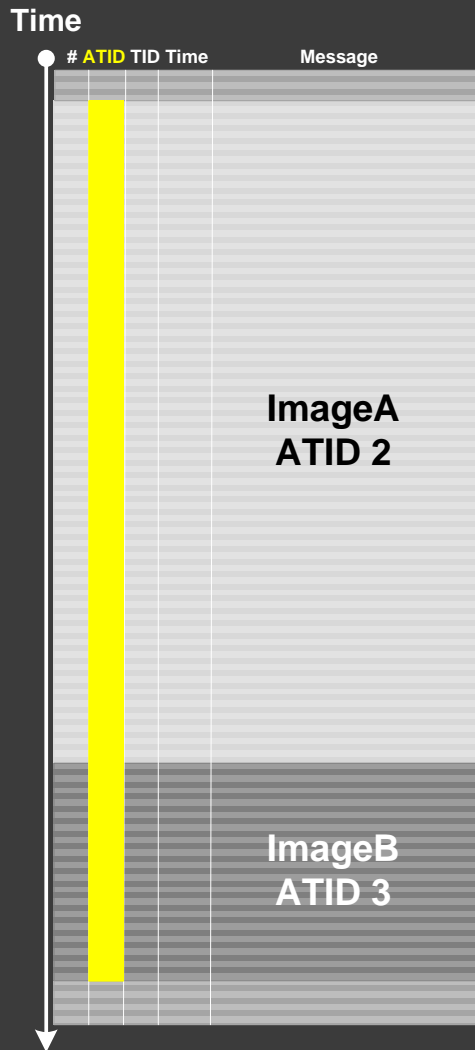
#	Module	PID	TID	Time	File	Function	Message
6060	dllA	1604	7108	10:06:21.746	fileA.c	DllMain	DLL_PROCESS_ATTACH
24480	dllA	1604	7108	10:06:32.262	fileA.c	LaunchApp	Exec Path: C:\Program Files\CompanyA\appB.exe

30 seconds of discontinuity till the end of full trace

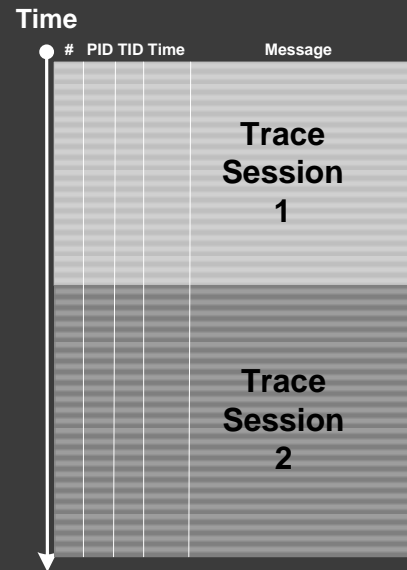
Glued Activity

Related Patterns

Adjoint Thread



ATID: Adjoint Thread ID



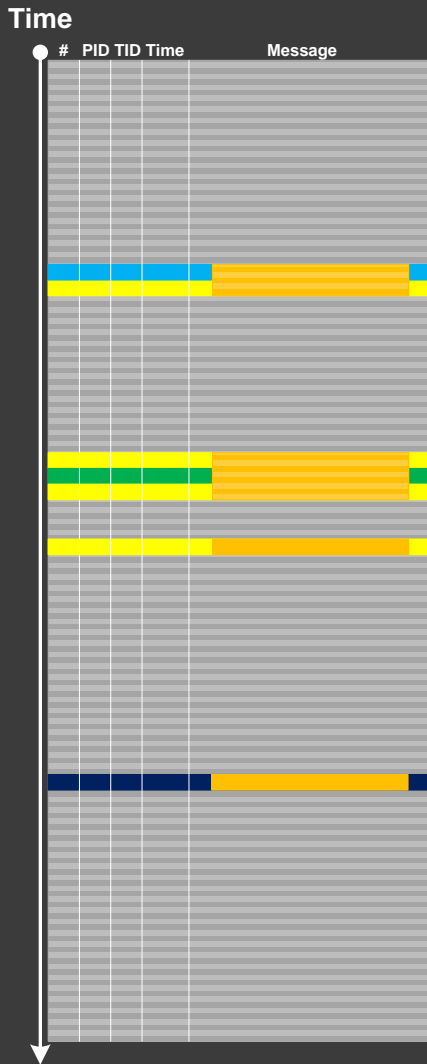
Resume Activity ↓



Related Patterns

Break-in Activity
Thread of Activity
Adjoint Thread

Data Flow ↓



Related Patterns

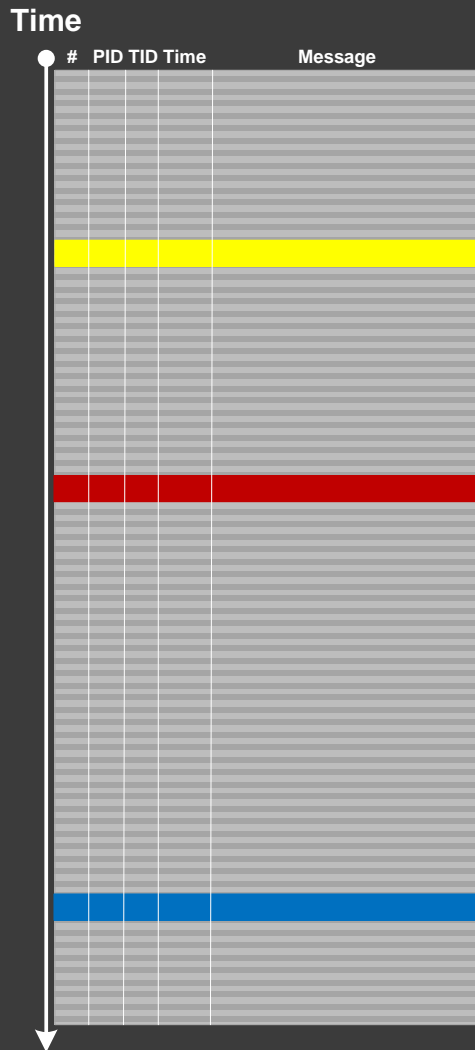
Adjoint Thread
Message Invariant

```
[...]  
DriverA: Device 0xA IRP 0xB  
[...]  
DriverB: Device 0xC IRP 0xB  
[...]  
DriverC: Device 0xD IRP 0xB  
DriverC: Processing IRP 0xB  
[...]
```

Message Patterns

- Significant Event
- Defamiliarizing Effect
- Anchor Messages
- Diegetic Messages
- Message Change ↓
- Message Invariant
- UI Message
- Original Message
- Implementation Discourse
- Opposition Messages
- Linked Messages
- Gossip ↓
- Counter Value
- Message Context
- Marked Messages
- Incomplete History
- Message Interleave
- Fiber Bundle

Significant Event



Related Patterns

Exception Stack Trace
Error Message
Basic Facts
Vocabulary Index

Poetry of Software Traces

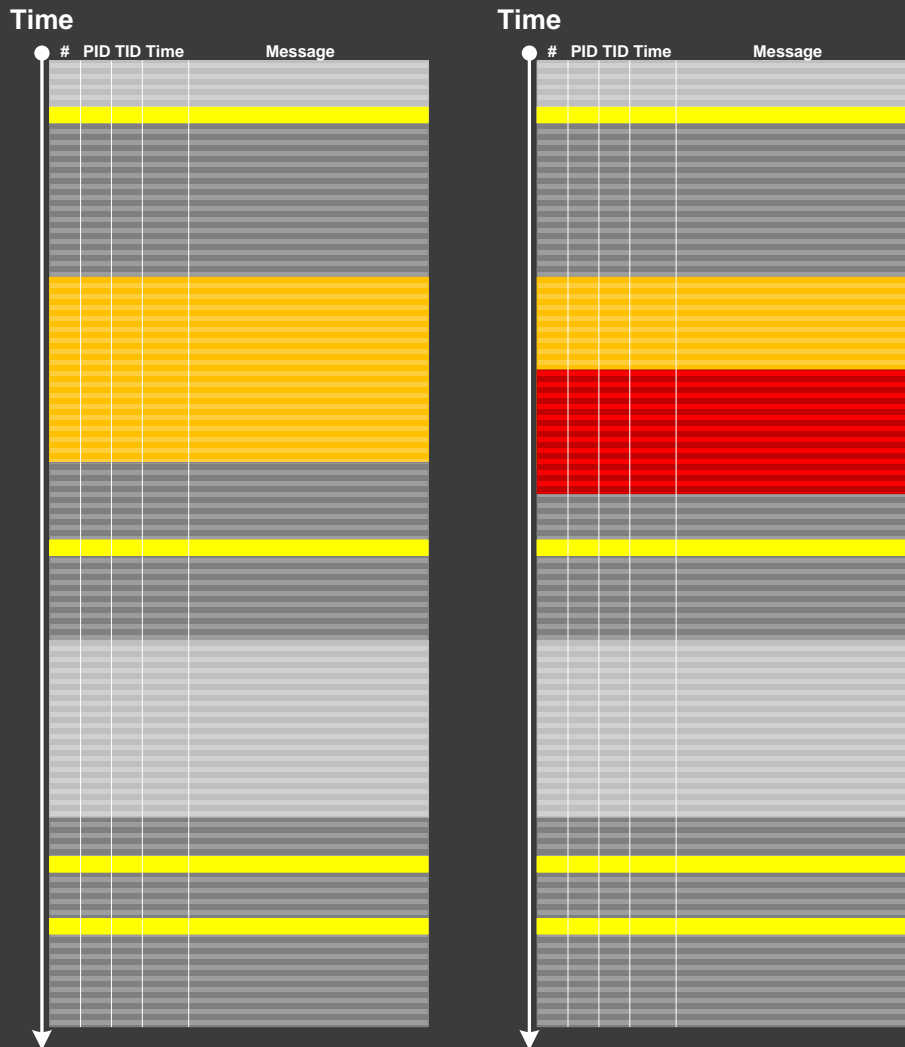
“Capturing delicate moments, one gives birth to a poetry of traces ...”

Ange Leccia, Motionless Journeys, by Fabien Danesi

Defamiliarizing Effect

Related Patterns

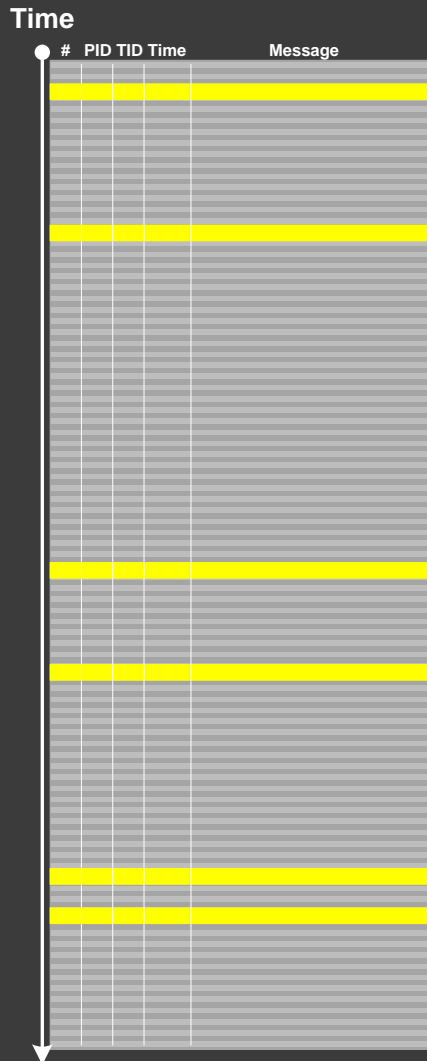
**Characteristic message Block
Activity Region**



Anchor Messages

Related Patterns

Vocabulary Index
Adjoint Thread
Message Interleave

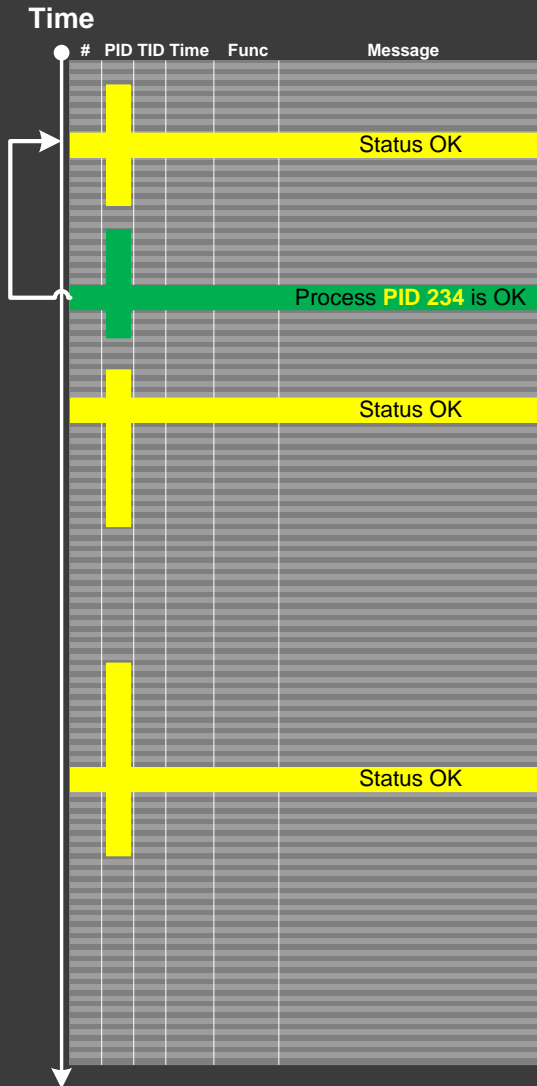


#	PID	TID	Time	Message
24226	2656	3480	10:41:05.774	AppA.exe: DLL_PROCESS_ATTACH
108813	4288	4072	10:41:05.774	AppB.exe: DLL_PROCESS_ATTACH
112246	4180	3836	10:41:05.940	DllHost.exe: DLL_PROCESS_ATTACH
135473	2040	3296	10:41:12.615	AppC.exe: DLL_PROCESS_ATTACH
694723	1112	1992	10:44:23.393	AppD.exe: DLL_PROCESS_ATTACH
703962	5020	1080	10:44:42.014	DllHost.exe: DLL_PROCESS_ATTACH
705511	4680	3564	10:44:42.197	DllHost.exe: DLL_PROCESS_ATTACH
705891	1528	2592	10:44:42.307	regedit.exe: DLL_PROCESS_ATTACH
785231	2992	4912	10:45:26.516	AppE.exe: DLL_PROCESS_ATTACH
786523	3984	1156	10:45:26.605	powershell.exe: DLL_PROCESS_ATTACH
817979	4188	4336	10:45:48.707	wermgr.exe: DLL_PROCESS_ATTACH
834875	3976	1512	10:45:52.342	LogonUI.exe: DLL_PROCESS_ATTACH
835229	4116	3540	10:45:52.420	AppG.exe: DLL_PROCESS_ATTACH

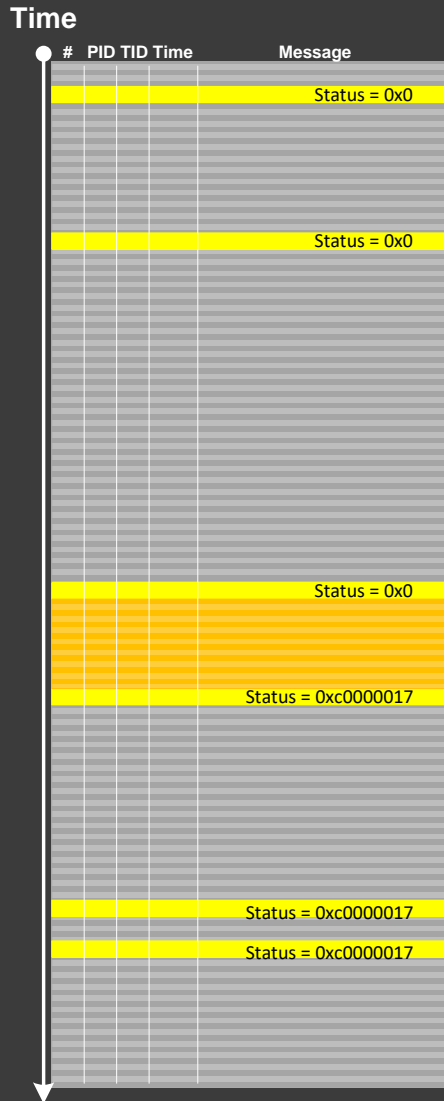
Diegetic Messages

Related Patterns

Anchor Messages



Message Change ↓



Related Patterns

Anchor Messages
Message Invariant
Adjoint Thread

Implementation Discourse

- ◎ Win32 API
- ◎ MFC
- ◎ Kernel Development
- ◎ COM
- ◎ C# / .NET
- ◎ C++
- ◎ Java
- ◎ Python
- ◎ ...

Message Invariant

Related Patterns

Trace Set

```
#      Module  PID  TID  Time      Message
-----
[...]  
2782 ModuleA  2124 5648 10:58:03.356 CreateObject: pObject 0x00A83D30 data ([...]) version 0x4  
[...]
```

```
#      Module  PID  TID  Time      Message
-----
[...]  
4793 ModuleA  2376 8480 09:22:01.947 CreateObject: pObject 0x00BA4E20 data ([...]) version 0x5  
[...]
```

UI Message

Related Patterns

Activity Region
Significant Event
Thread of Activity
Adjoint Thread

```
#      Module  PID  TID  Time      Message
-----
[...]  
2782 ModuleA  2124 5648 10:58:03.356 CreateWindow: Title "... " Class "... "  
[...]  
3512 ModuleA  2124 5648 10:58:08.154 Menu command: Save Data  
[...]  
3583 ModuleA  2124 5648 10:58:08.155 CreateWindow: Title "Save As" Class "Dialog"  
[... Data update and replication related messages ...]  
4483 ModuleA  2124 5648 10:58:12.342 DestroyWindow: Title "Save As" Class "Dialog"  
[...]
```

```
#      Module  PID  TID  Time      Message
-----
[...]  
2782 ModuleA  2124 5648 10:58:03.356 CreateWindow: Title "... " Class "... "  
3512 ModuleA  2124 5648 10:58:08.154 Menu command: Save Data  
3583 ModuleA  2124 5648 10:58:08.155 CreateWindow: Title "Save As" Class "Dialog"  
4483 ModuleA  2124 5648 10:58:12.342 DestroyWindow: Title "Save As" Class "Dialog"  
[...]
```

Original Message

Related Patterns

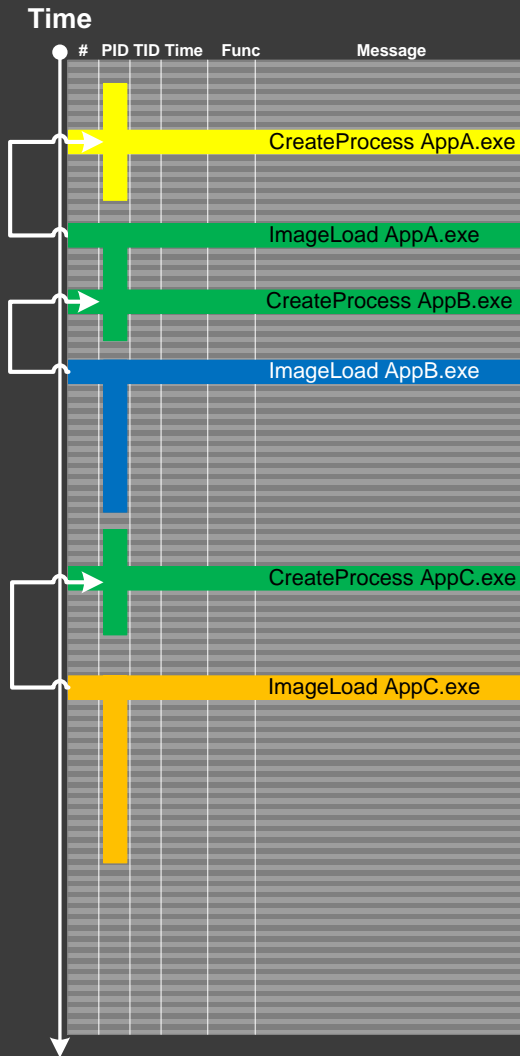
Message Invariant
Adjoint Thread

#	Module	PID	TID	Time	Message
[...]					
35835	ModuleA	12332	11640	18:27:28.720	LoadLibrary: \Program Files\MyProduct\System32\MyDLL.dll PID 12332
[...]					
37684	ModuleA	12332	9576	18:27:29.063	LoadLibrary: \Program Files\MyProduct\System32\MyDLL.dll PID 12332
[...]					
37687	ModuleA	12332	9576	18:27:29.064	LoadLibrary: \Program Files\MyProduct\System32\MyDLL.dll PID 12332
[...]					

Linked Messages

Related Patterns

Adjoint Thread



```
#      PID  Message
-----
[...]
128762 1260 CreateProcess: PPID 1260 PID 6356
[...]
128785 6356 ImageLoad: AppA.exe PID 6356
[...]
131137 6356 CreateProcess: PPID 6356 PID 6280
[...]
131239 6280 ImageLoad: AppB.exe PID 6280
[...]
132899 6356 CreateProcess: PPID 6356 PID 8144
[...]
132906 8144 ImageLoad: AppC.exe PID 8144
[...]
```

Gossip ↓

Related Patterns

Adjoint Thread
Event Sequence Order
Message Interleave

```
#      Module  PID  TID  Message
[...]  
26875 ModuleA  2172 5284 LoadImage: \Device\HarddiskVolume2\Windows\System32\notepad.exe PID 0x000000000000087C  
26876 ModuleB  2172 5284 LoadImage: \Device\HarddiskVolume2\Windows\System32\notepad.exe, PID (2172)  
26877 ModuleC  2172 5284 ImageLoad: fileName=notepad.exe, pid: 000000000000087C  
[...]
```

```
#      Module  PID  TID  Message  
[...]  
26875 ModuleA  2172 5284 LoadImage: \Device\HarddiskVolume2\Windows\System32\notepad.exe PID 0x000000000000087C  
[...]  
33132 ModuleA  4180 2130 LoadImage: \Device\HarddiskVolume2\Windows\System32\calc.exe PID 0x0000000000001054  
[...]
```


Counter Value

Related Patterns

Adjoint Thread
Significant Event
Activity Region
Focus of Tracing
Characteristic Message Block

[Module Variable](#)

18:04:06 Explorer.EXE 3280 User Time: 8.4864544 seconds, Kernel Time: 9.5004609 seconds, Private Bytes: 42,311,680, Working Set: 10,530,816

Performance-specific patterns:

Global Monotonicity
Constant Value

Marked Messages

Related Patterns

Master Trace
No Activity

Annotated messages:

```
session database queries [+]
session initialization [-]
socket activity [+]
process A launched [+]
process B launched [-]
process A exited [-]
```

[+] activity is present in a trace

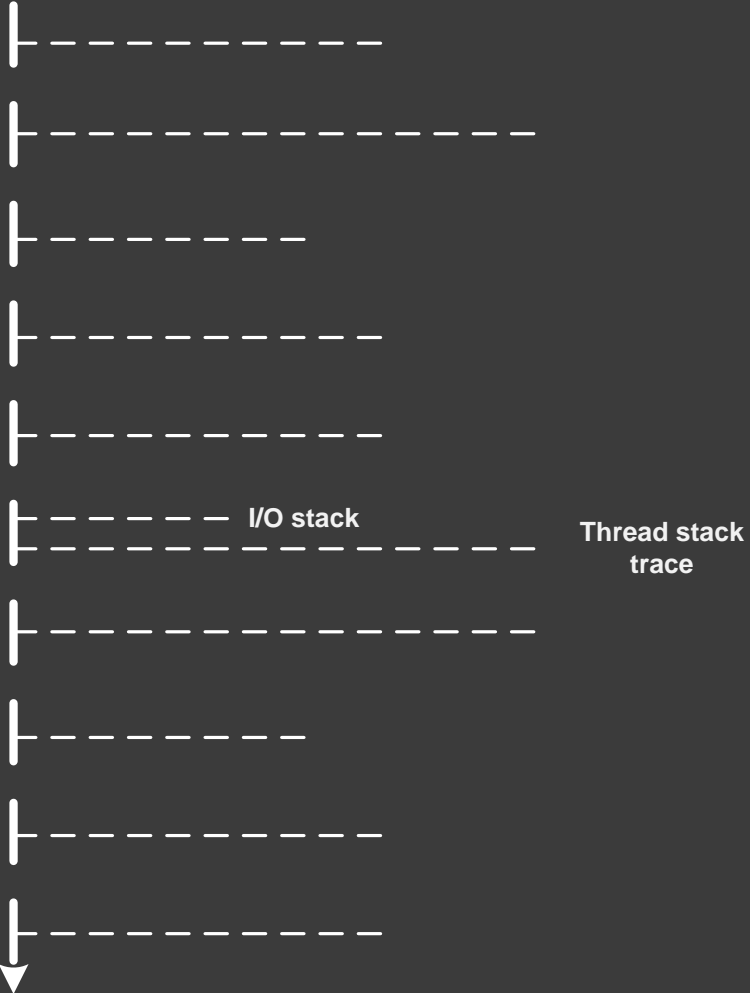
[-] activity is undetected or not present

Fiber Bundle

Related Patterns

Exception Stack Trace

Trace
messages



Incomplete History

Related Patterns

Opposition Messages
Sparse Trace
Truncated Trace
Master Trace

Code:

- ⦿ Response-complete
- ⦿ Exception-complete
- ⦿ Call-complete

Opposition Messages

- ⦿ open - close
- ⦿ create – destroy (discard)
- ⦿ allocate - free (deallocate)
- ⦿ call - return
- ⦿ enter - exit (leave)
- ⦿ load - unload
- ⦿ save - load
- ⦿ lock - unlock
- ⦿ map - unmap

Related Patterns

Incomplete History
Sparse Trace

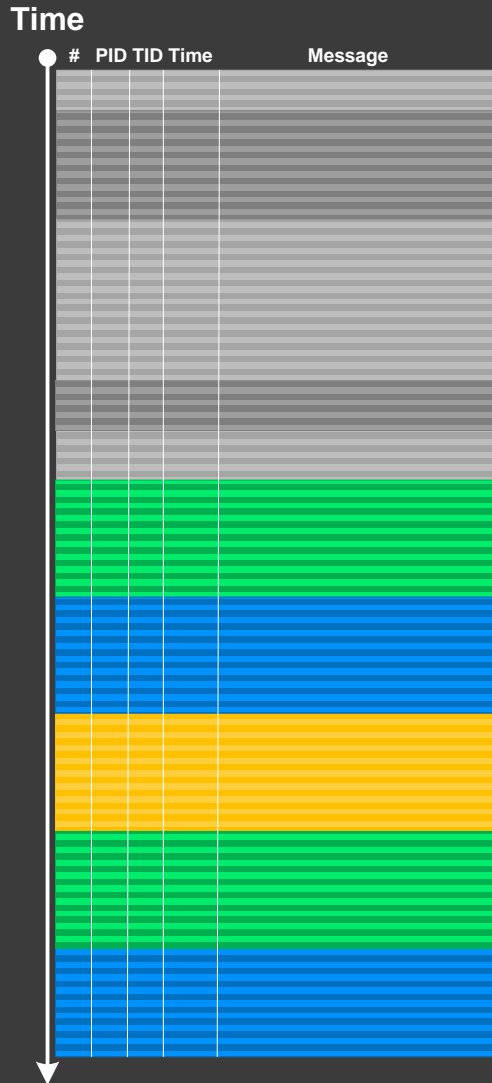
Block Patterns

- ⦿ Macrofunction
- ⦿ Periodic Message Block
- ⦿ Intra-Correlation

Macrofunction

#	Module	PID	TID	Time	Message
[...]					
42582	DBClient	5492	9476	11:04:33.398	Opening connection
[...]					
42585	DBClient	5492	9476	11:04:33.398	Sending SQL command
[...]					
42589	DBServer	6480	10288	11:04:33.399	Executing SQL command
[...]					
42592	DBClient	5492	9476	11:04:33.400	Closing connection
[...]					

Periodic Message Block



Related Patterns

Periodic Error
Adjoint Thread
Invariant Message
Discontinuity

Intra-Correlation

Related Patterns

Basic Facts Activity Regions

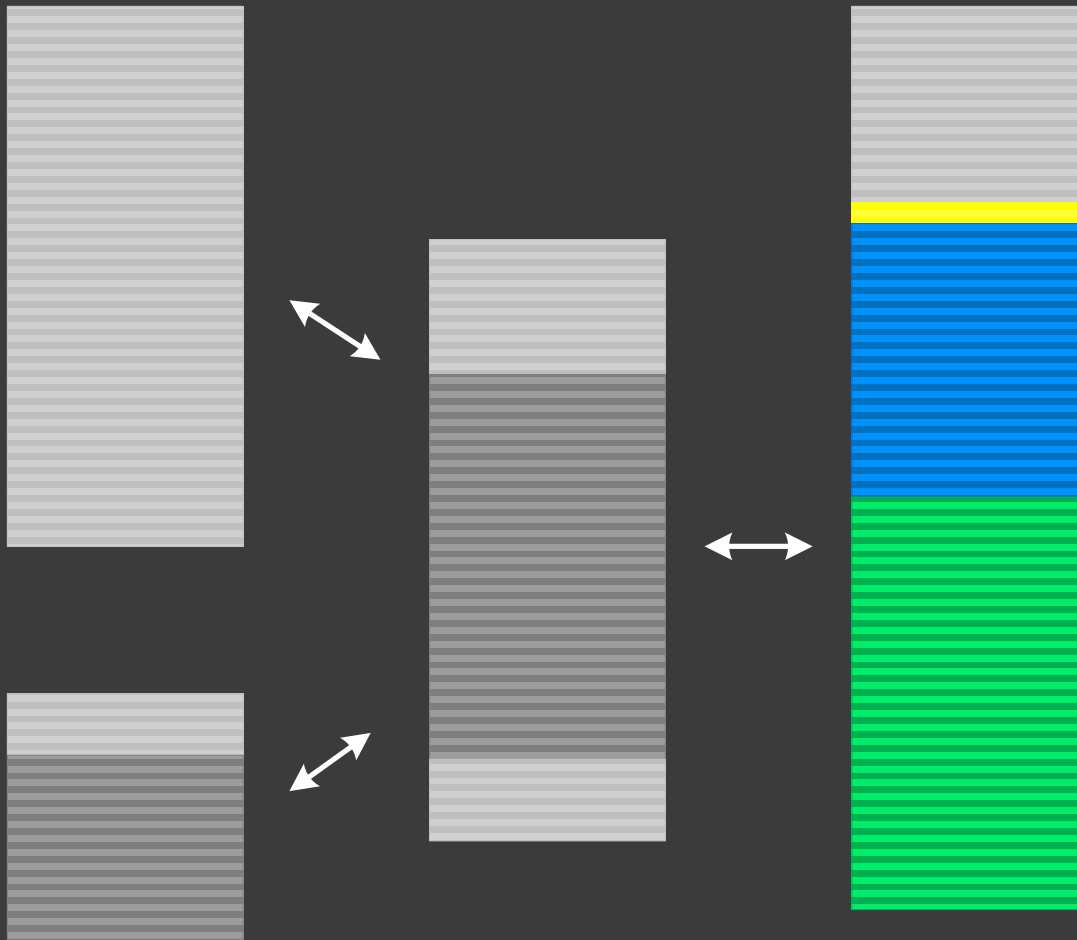
```
Handle: 00050586 Class: "Application A Class" Title: ""
Title changed at 15:52:4:3 to "Application A"
Title changed at 15:52:10:212 to "Application A - File1"
[...]
Process ID: 89c
Thread ID: d6c
[...]
Visible: true
Window placement command: SW_SHOWNORMAL
Placement changed at 15:54:57:506 to SW_SHOWMINIMIZED
Placement changed at 15:55:2:139 to SW_SHOWNORMAL
Foreground: false
Foreground changed at 15:52:4:3 to true
Foreground changed at 15:53:4:625 to false
Foreground changed at 15:53:42:564 to true
Foreground changed at 15:53:44:498 to false
Foreground changed at 15:53:44:498 to true
Foreground changed at 15:53:44:592 to false
Foreground changed at 15:53:45:887 to true
Foreground changed at 15:53:47:244 to false
Foreground changed at 15:53:47:244 to true
Foreground changed at 15:53:47:353 to false
Foreground changed at 15:54:26:416 to true
Foreground changed at 15:54:27:55 to false
Foreground changed at 15:54:27:55 to true
Foreground changed at 15:54:27:180 to false
[...]
```

```
Handle: 000D0540 Class: "App B" Title: "Application B"
[...]
Process ID: 3ac
Thread ID: bd4
[...]
Foreground: false
Foreground changed at 15:50:36:972 to true
Foreground changed at 15:50:53:732 to false
Foreground changed at 15:50:53:732 to true
Foreground changed at 15:50:53:826 to false
Foreground changed at 15:51:51:352 to true
Foreground changed at 15:51:53:941 to false
Foreground changed at 15:53:8:135 to true
Foreground changed at 15:53:8:182 to false
Foreground changed at 15:53:10:178 to true
Foreground changed at 15:53:13:938 to false
Foreground changed at 15:53:30:443 to true
Foreground changed at 15:53:31:20 to false
Foreground changed at 15:53:31:20 to true
Foreground changed at 15:53:31:129 to false
[...]
```

Trace Set Patterns

- ⦿ Master Trace
- ⦿ Bifurcation Point
- ⦿ Inter-Correlation
- ⦿ Relative Density
- ⦿ News Value
- ⦿ Impossible Trace
- ⦿ Split Trace

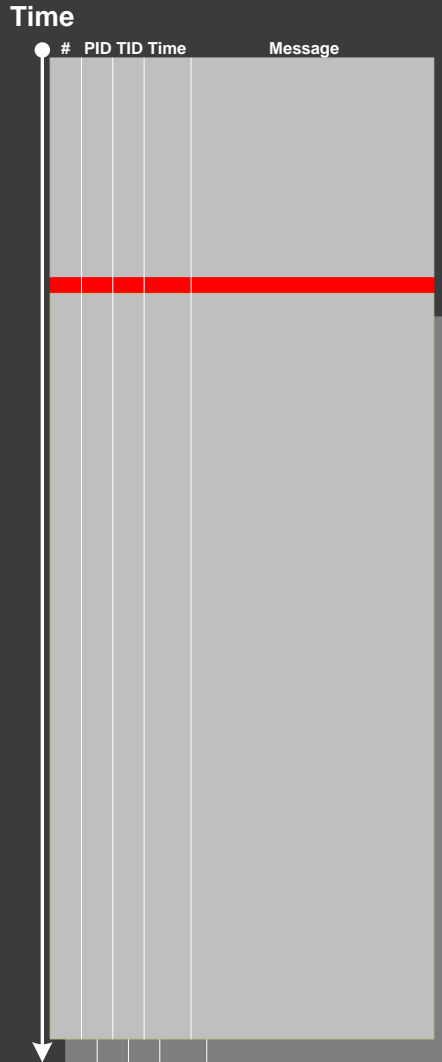
Master Trace



Related Patterns

Activity Regions
Background Components
Foreground Components
Event Sequence Order
Guest Component
Implementation Discourse
Bifurcation Point

Bifurcation Point



Software Trace Diagrams

PID TID Message

[...]

25 2768 3056 Trace Statement A

26 3756 2600 Trace Statement B

27 3756 2600 Trace Statement C

[...]

149 3756 836 Query result: X

150 3756 836 Trace Statement 150.1

151 3756 836 Trace Statement 151.1

152 3756 836 Trace Statement 152.1

153 3756 836 Trace Statement 153.1

[...]

PID TID Message

[...]

27 2768 3056 Trace Statement A

28 3756 2176 Trace Statement B

29 3756 2176 Trace Statement C

[...]

151 3756 5940 **Query result: Y**

152 3756 5940 Trace Statement 152.2

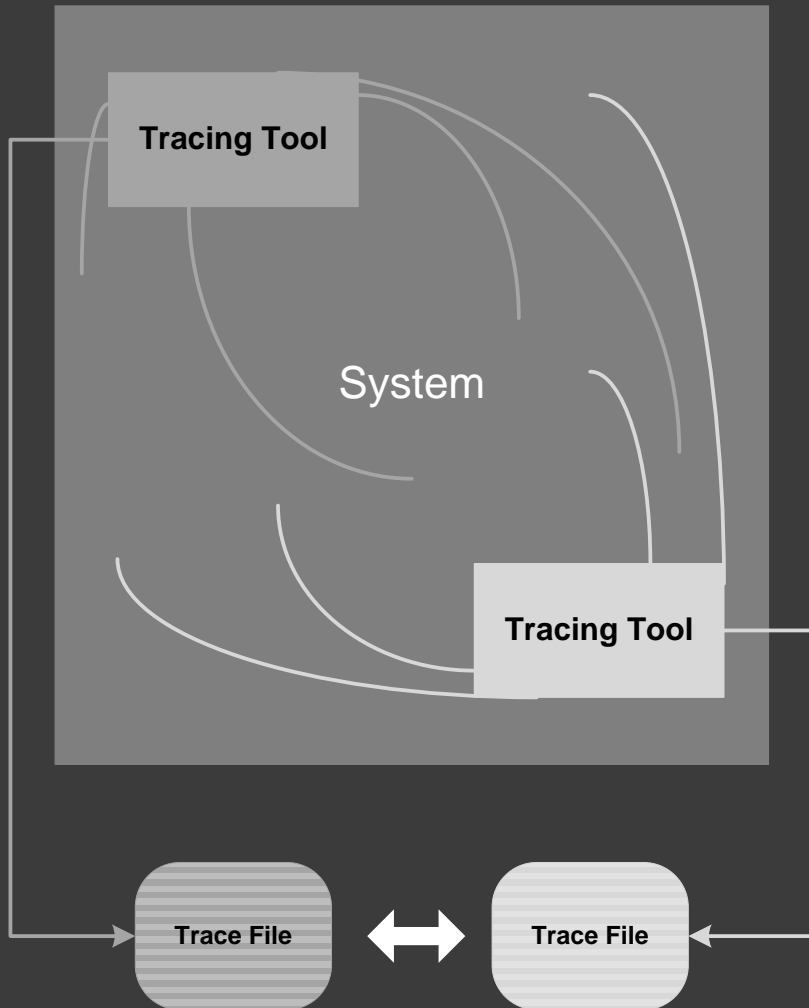
153 3756 5940 Trace Statement 153.2

154 3756 5940 Trace Statement 154.2

155 3756 5940 Trace Statement 155.2

[...]

Inter-Correlation



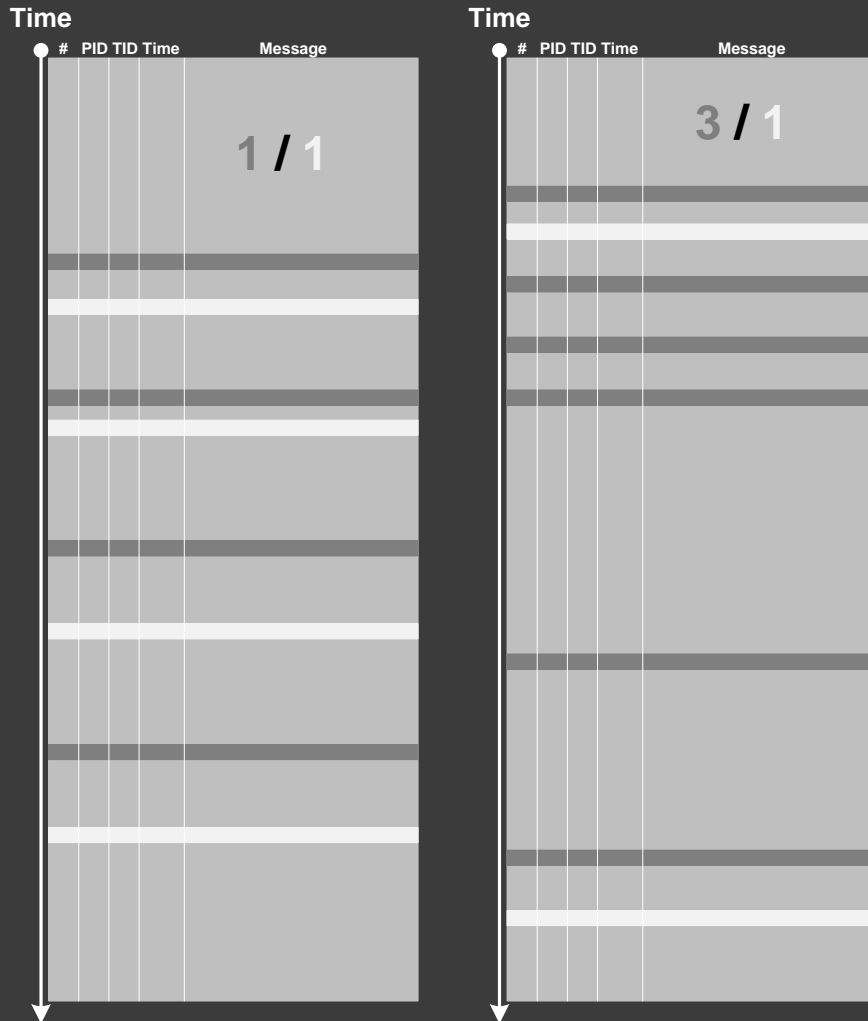
Related Patterns

Intra-Correlation
Basic Facts
Discontinuity
Sparse Trace

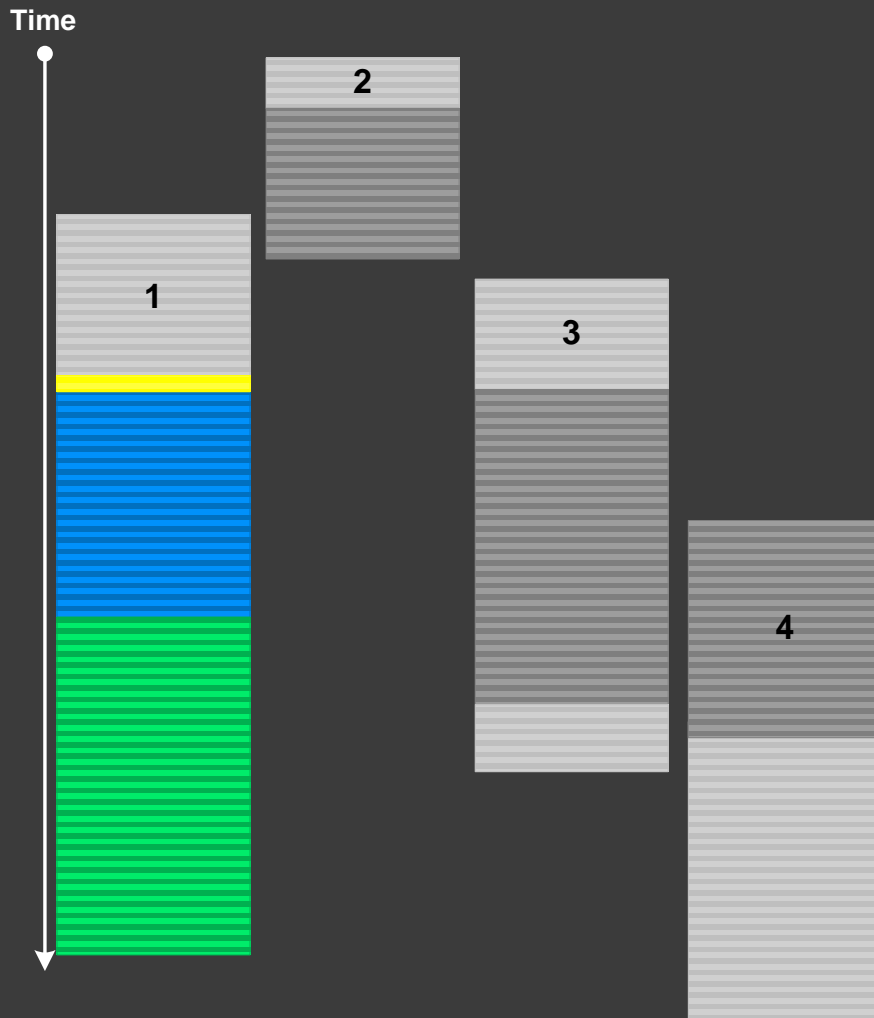
Relative Density

Related Patterns

Message Density



News Value



Related Patterns

Inter-Correlation
Basic Facts
Master Trace

Impossible Trace

Related Patterns

Sparse Trace

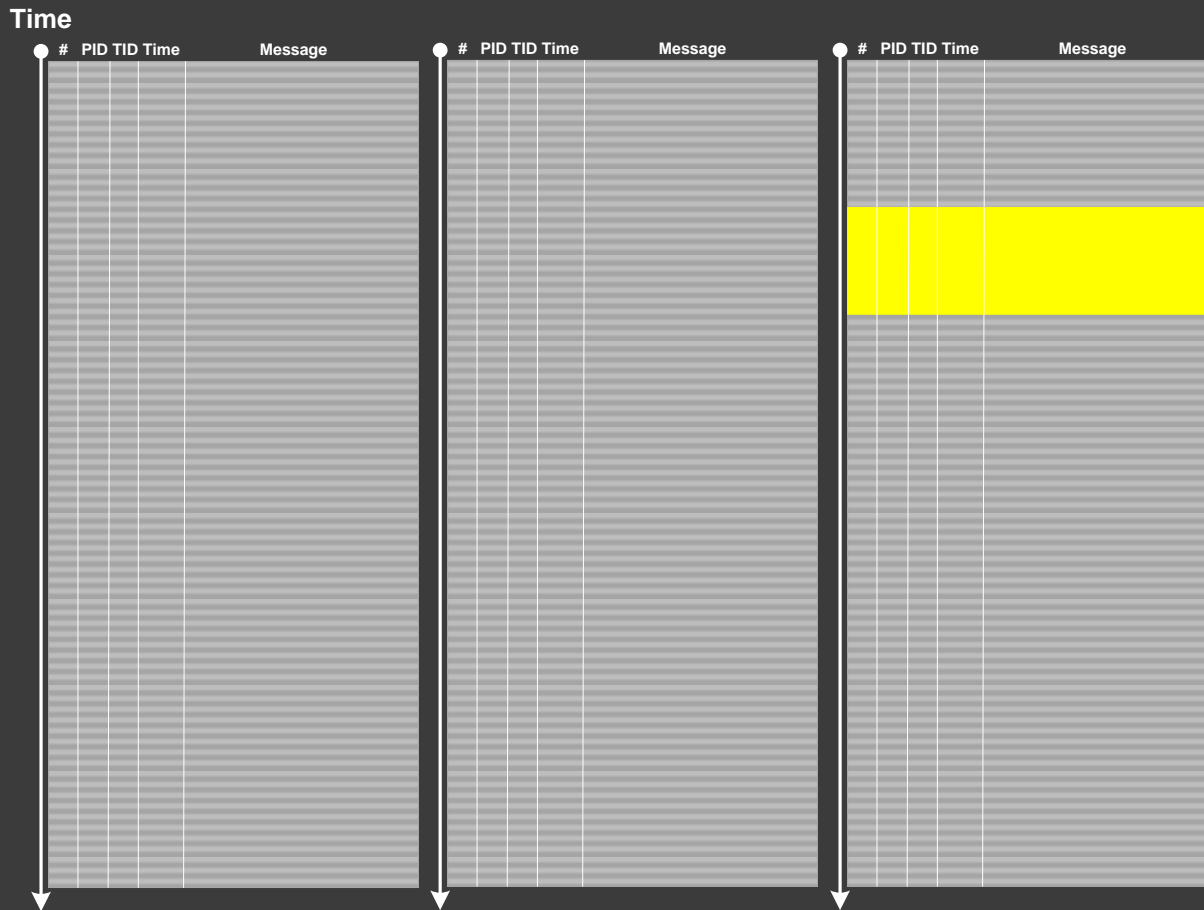
```
#      Module  PID TID Message
-----
[...]  
1001 ModuleA 202 404 foo: start  
1002 ModuleA 202 404 foo: end  
[...]
```

```
void foo()  
{  
    TRACE("foo: start");  
    bar();  
    TRACE("foo: end");  
}  
  
void bar()  
{  
    TRACE("bar: start");  
    // some code ...  
    TRACE("bar: end");  
}
```

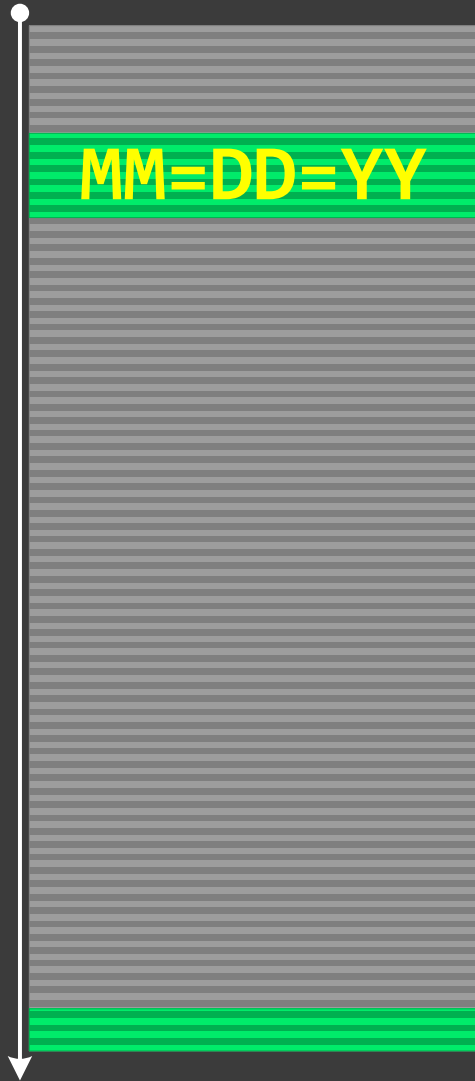
Split Trace

Related Patterns

Circular Trace



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Related Patterns

Adjoint Thread
Discontinuity
Time Delta
Periodic Message Block

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