

**Easy to use, no restrictions**

**RefactorErl**

terminal  
Windows  
Linux  
Emacs  
scriptable  
graphical  
shell  
OSX

**Dependencies**

**Sharing information between the team members**

**What is RefactorErl?**

- Understand legacy code
- Refactoring
- Client-side compatibility testing

**Notions**

Graphs and networks, objects and their relationships, functions and their dependencies, and much more.

**User Interfaces**

Graphical interface, command line interface, and web-based interface.

**Industrial Applications**

Network simulation, Telecom Gateway Controller, ATM Switch, more than 100k lines of UML, Data Computation, Drawing.

**Experience**

10000+ users from 100+ countries, "Made for the Erlang experts".

**refactorerl.com**

**Demo time**  
<http://pkc.inf.elte.hu/erlang/cmd.txt>

**Advanced Features**

**Semantic Queries & Parametrised Queries**

**Collaborative work support**

- query & graph sharing
- stateful links

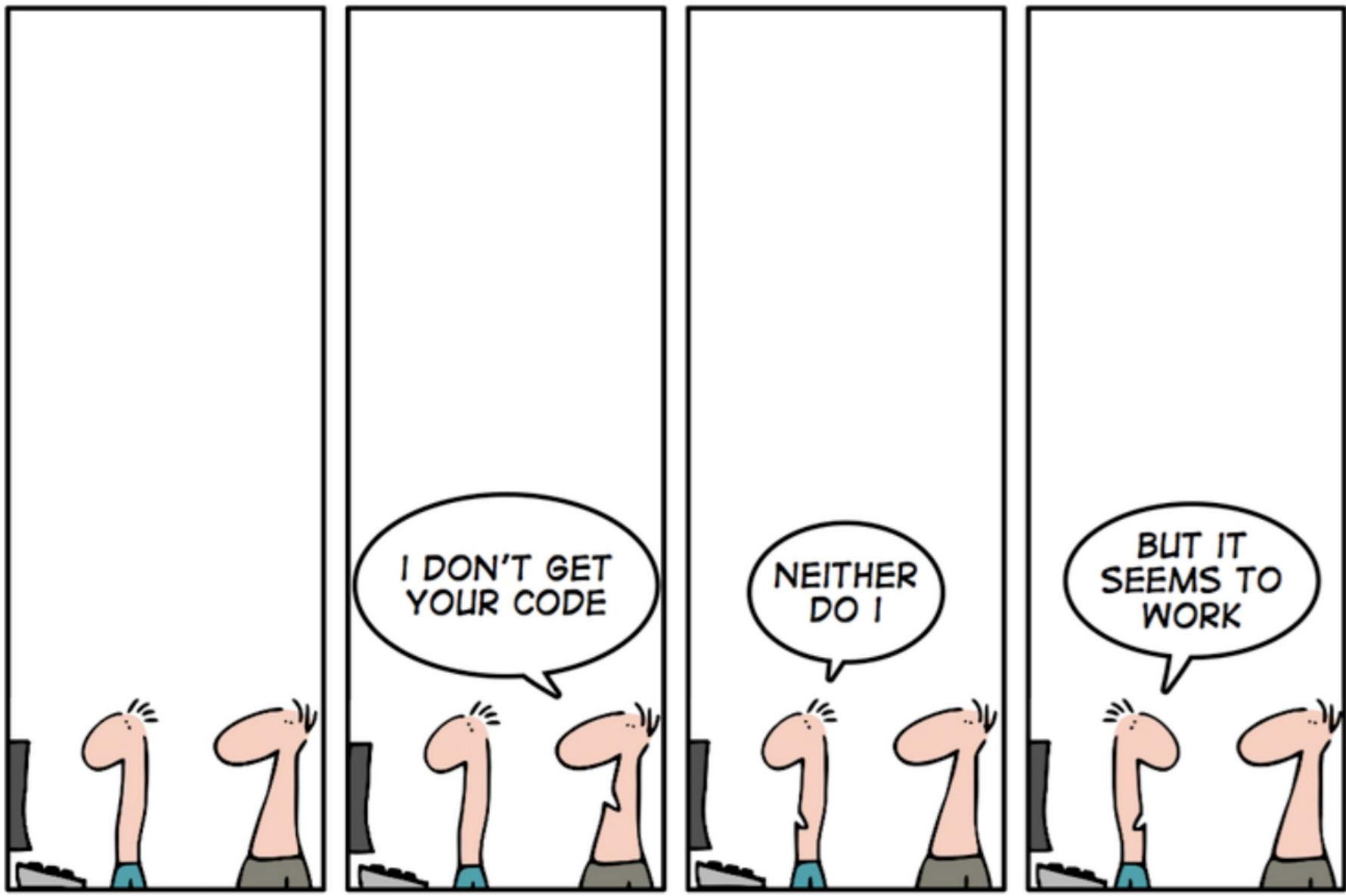
**Investigations**

**And a bit more advanced stuff...**

Centralised management support:

- restricted mode for users
- web or console based administration

**Q & A**

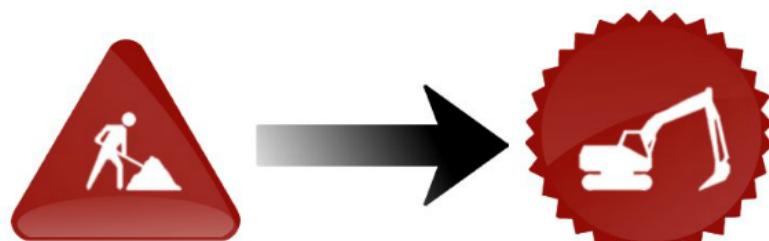


THE ART OF PROGRAMMING

**We do!**

# RefactorErl

**Effective software maintenance**



investigations

grokking

*dependencies*

code duplicates

metrics

refactoring

clustering



**Knowledge sharing**



# Who are we?



Started as a refactoring project

University Staff &

Supports code comprehension

PhD, MSc, BSc students

ELTE-Soft R&D staff

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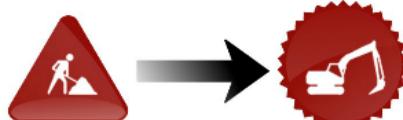
# What is RefactorErl?

Understand legacy code



Knowledge sharing

Effective software maintenance



Refactoring

Check code complexity/quality

in Erlang  
for Erlang

...it's time to start learning how to use RefactorErl. It's a simple tool that helps you learn how to maintain and refactor your existing Erlang code. It's designed to be easy to use, so you can quickly get started and begin improving your code quality. Whether you're a beginner or an experienced developer, RefactorErl is the perfect tool for you. So why wait? Start learning today and take your code to the next level!

# Features

Compile-time analysis of  
Functions, variables, records, etc.  
Lifetime, scope, visibility  
Static and dynamic references

Side-effects  
Data-flow, control-flow  
Dynamic function calls  
Hidden dependencies

Program comprehension  
Semantic queries  
Software complexity metrics  
Bad smell detection  
Duplicated code detection  
Clustering  
Dependency visualisation

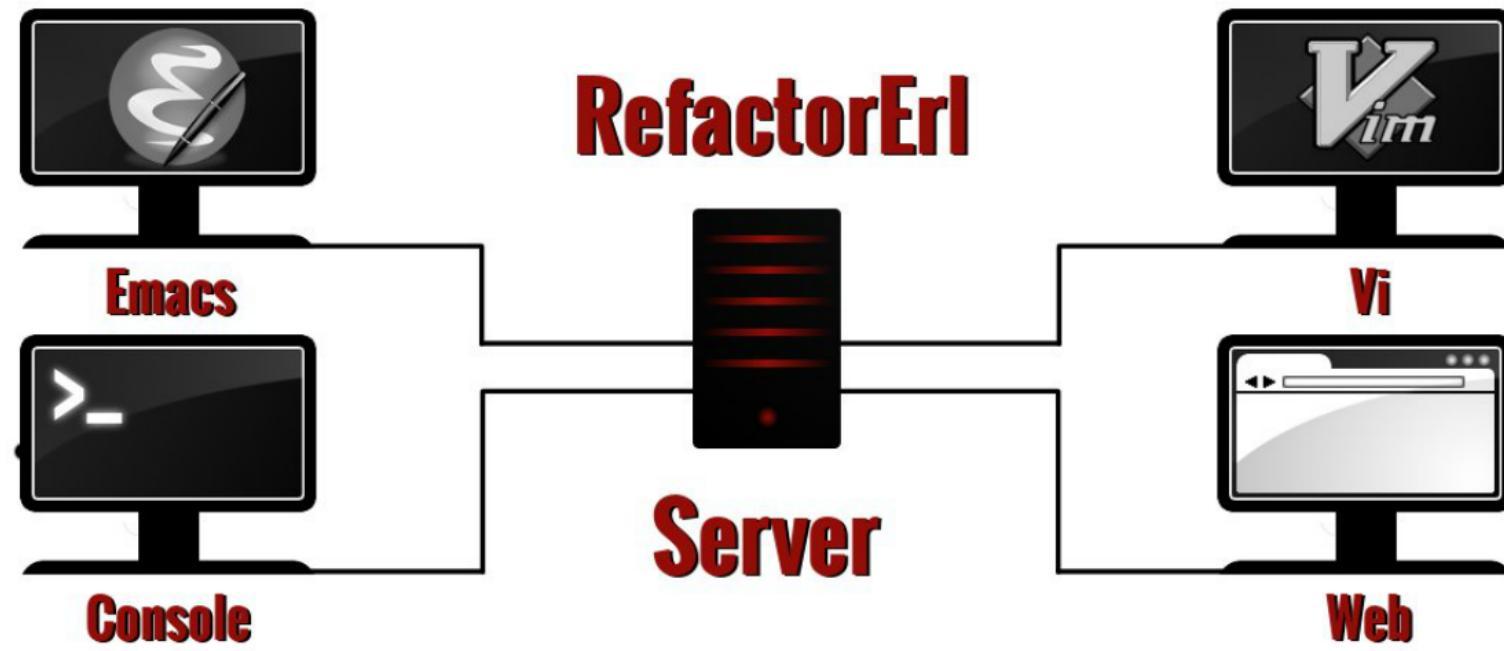
... and more than 20 refactoring transformations.

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**RefactorIDE** offers support for graphical IDEs, web-based terminals, and graphical user interfaces. It runs on Windows, Linux, and Mac OS X. It provides support for multiple programming languages, including C, C++, Java, Python, and others. It also includes a built-in code editor, a code browser, and a code formatter.

# User Interfaces



WX\_GUI

# Sharing information between the team members



# Gathering information about the source code

localhost:8001/#/queries?file=%2Fusr%2Flib%2Ferlang%2Flib%2Fmnesia-4.8%2Fsrc%2Fmnesia.erl&id=z&pos=6415,644

Google

Queries Database Errors Dependency Graph Code Duplicates Logged in as melinda Logout

RefactorErl @fun.references FROM mnesia\_monitor:patch\_env... Execute Queue 0/0

**Query results**

Collapse all Expand all

• mnesia\_monitor:patch\_env/2

- mnesia\_monitor:patch\_env(Env, Val)
- mnesia\_monitor:patch\_env(debug, Level)
- patch\_env/2

**Database browser** See filesystem

Show only erlang source files

Filename filter

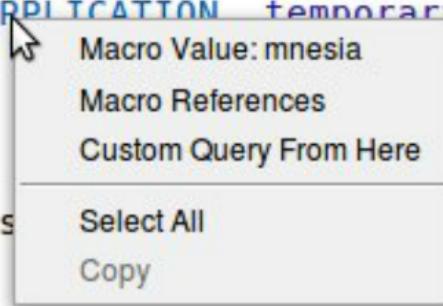
kernel-2.16.1  
mnesia-4.8

mnesia.erl

```
221     {error, {badarg, ExtraEnv}}.
```

```
222
223 patched_start([{Env, Val} | Tail]) when is_atom(Env) ->
224     case mnesia_monitor:patch_env(Env, Val) of
225         {error, Reason} ->
226             {error, Reason};
227         _NewVal ->
228             patched_start(Tail)
229     end;
230 patched_start([Head | _]) ->
231     {error, {bad_type, Head}};
232 patched_start([]) ->
233     start().
234
235 stop() ->
236     case application:stop(?APPLICATION) of
237         ok -> stopped;
238         {error, {not_started, ?APPLICATION}} -> stopped;
239         Other -> Other
240     end.
241
242 change_config(extra_db_nodes, Ns) when is_list(Ns) ->
243     mnesia_controller:connect_nodes(Ns);
244 change_config(dc_dump_limit, N) when is_number(N), N > 0 ->
245     case mnesia_lib:is_running() of
246         yes ->
247             mnesia_lib:set(dc_dump_limit, N),
248             {ok, N};
249         _ ->
250             {error, {not_started, ?APPLICATION}}
251     end:
252 ...
```

```
start() ->
  {Time , Res} = timer:tc(application, start, [?APPLICATION temporary]),
  Secs = Time div 1000000,
  case Res of
    ok ->
      verbose("Mnesia started, ~p seconds~n", [ Secs]),
      ok;
    {error, {already_started, mnesia}} ->
      verbose("Mnesia already started, ~p seconds~n", [ Secs]),
      ok;
    {error, R} ->
      verbose("Mnesia failed to start, ~p seconds: ~p~n", [ Secs, R]),
      {error, R}
  end.
```



Save as skeleton

Run

Query History ▾



Deselect Node

Choose previous query ▾

Current file: /usr/local/lib/erlang/lib/mnesia-4.7.1/src/mnesia.erl

Previous Queries Running Queries File Browser

Skeletons Last Result

## File Browser

Filter:

- ↳ /usr/local/lib/erlang/lib
- ↳ kernel-2.15.1/include
- ↳ mnesia-4.7.1/src
  - mnesia.erl**
  - mnesia.hrl
  - mnesia\_backup.erl
  - mnesia\_bup.erl
  - mnesia\_checkpoint.erl
  - mnesia\_checkpoint\_sup.erl
  - mnesia\_controller.erl
  - mnesia\_dumper.erl
  - mnesia\_event.erl
  - mnesia\_frag.erl
  - mnesia\_frag\_hash.erl
  - mnesia\_frag\_old\_hash.erl
  - mnesia\_index.erl
  - mnesia\_kernel\_sup.erl
  - mnesia\_late\_loader.erl
  - mnesia\_lib.erl
  - mnesia\_loader.erl
  - mnesia\_locker.erl
  - mnesia\_log.erl
  - mnesia\_monitor.erl
  - mnesia\_recover.erl
  - mnesia\_registry.erl
  - mnesia\_schema.erl
  - mnesia\_snmp\_hook.erl
  - mnesia\_snmp\_sup.erl
  - mnesia\_sp.erl
  - mnesia\_subscr.erl
  - mnesia\_sup.erl

```

149
150
151 is_dollar_digits(Var) ->
152   case atom_to_list(Var) of
153     [$$ | Digs] ->
154       is_digits(Digs);
155     _ ->
156       false
157   end.
158
159 is_digits([Dig | Tail]) ->
160   if
161     $0 =<= Dig, Dig =<= $9 ->
162       is_digits(Tail);
163     true
164   end;
165   Function References
166   Function Definition
167   Run
168   Start investigation
169
170 has_var(X) when is_atom(X) ->
171   if
172     X == '_' ->
173       true;
174     is_atom(X) ->
175       is_dollar_digits(X);
176     true ->
177       false
178   end;
179 has_var(X) when is_tuple(X) ->
180   e_has_var(X, tuple_size(X));
181 has_var([H|T]) ->
182   case has_var(H) of
183     false -> has_var(T);
184     Other -> Other
185   end;
186   has_var(_) -> false.
187
188 e_has_var(_, 0) -> false;
189 e_has_var(X, Pos) ->
190   case has_var(element(Pos, X)) of
191     false -> e_has_var(X, Pos-1);
192     Other -> Other
193   end.
194
195 %% Start and stop
196

```

# Investigations

## RefactorErl

Unnamed    Rename  
Starting function (m:f/a): mnesia:start/1    Start inv.    Save  
Saved Investigations    Last Result  
  
Saved investigations  
My investigations ▾

Queries    Files    Errors    Dependency Graphs    Code Duplicates    Investigations    Log out viki

```
212 213 start(ExtraEnv) when is_list(ExtraEnv) ->
214     case mnesia_lib:ensure_loaded(?APPLICATION) of
215         ok ->
216             patched_start(ExtraEnv);
217         Error ->
218             Error
219     end
```

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```

```
527 528 checkFallbackDirArg(Master, FA) ->
529     case FA#fallback_args.use_default_dir of
530         true ->
531             mnesia_lib:dir();
532         false when FA#fallback_args.scope ==:= local ->
533             Dir = FA#fallback_args.mnesia_dir,
534             case catch mnesia_monitor:doCheckType(dir, Dir) of
535                 {'EXIT', _R} ->
536                     Reason = {badarg, {dir, Dir}, node()},
537                     localFallbackError(Master, Reason);
538                 AbsDir ->
539                     AbsDir
540             end;
541         false when FA#fallback_args.scope ==:= global ->
542             Reason = {combine_error, global, dir, node()},
543             localFallbackError(Master, Reason)
544     end
```

```
41 42 doCheckType(access_module, A) when is_atom(A) -> A
```

Options Hide Window1

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212
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214     case mnesia_lib:ensure_loaded(?APPLICATION) of
215         ok ->
216             patched_start(ExtraEnv);
217         Error ->
218             Error
219     end
```

...

mnesia\_monitor:patch  
@expr.funs

Options Hide Window3

[Options](#)[Hide](#)**Window2**

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222 patched_start([{Env, Val} | Tail]) when is_atom(Env)
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Options Hide Window3

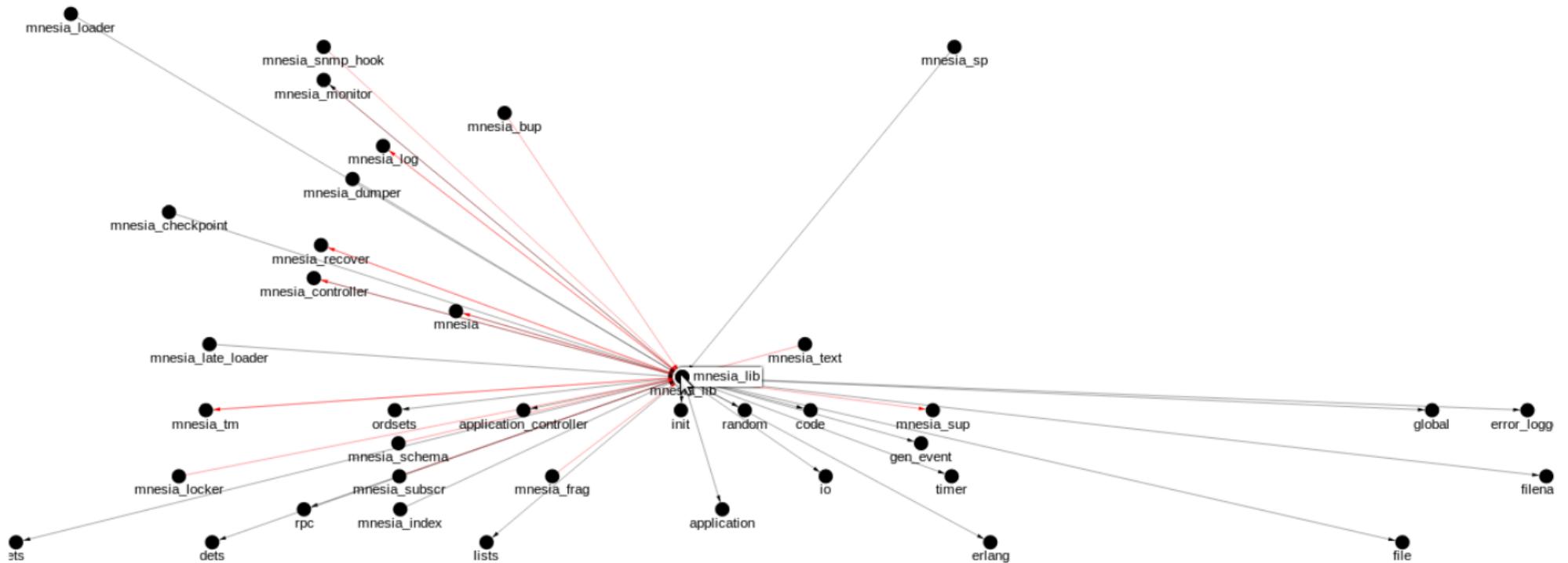
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643             localFallbackError(Master, Reason)
644     end
645
646 mnesia_monitor:doCheckType
647 @expr.funs
```

Options Hide Window4

'41

'42 **do\_check\_type**(access\_module, A) when **is\_atom**(A) -> A

# Dependencies



# Industrial Applications

Network Simulators

Telecom Gateway Controller

AXD ATM switch

More than 4 millions of LOC

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# Experience

"A problem solved in one hour  
using the query language"

"Without the tool: approx. 1 day"

# Easy to setup and use

Initial setup - 2-3 hours

Build the database - few hours

- only once at the beginning

Use the tool!

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# Some advantages

shorten time-consuming daily jobs

make the possibility of better teamwork in different ways

reduce human faults

ease deploying releases

minimise the training time of newbies

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**[pnyf.inf.elte.hu/trac/refactorerl](http://pnyf.inf.elte.hu/trac/refactorerl)**

# News



## Pattern Discovery

<http://paraphrase-enlarged.elte.hu/>

# Demo time

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# Quick Startup

bin/referl -build tool

bin/referl -db kcmini

ri:ls().

ri:envs().

ri:addenv(appbase, "/home/melinda/mylibpath").

ri:add(usr, mnesia).

ri:q(mods).

ri:q("mods.funs").

ri:q("mods[name~mnesia\_snmp].fun").

ri:start\_web2().

# Simple easy to use features

## Code Browser

### Click and Browse

- function, record, record\_field, variable, macro, etc
- built-in dynamic function calls
- references, definition, macro value on right click

### Synchronised function list

### Search and find:

- plain text search
- semantic search

### Dependence graphs

## Database & File System Browser

Search and view Erlang & other files

# Advanced Features

## Semantic Queries & Parametrised Queries

```
mods[name=mnesia_log]
  .funs.exprs
    .sub[type=tuple[
      .sub[index=1]
        .origin[type=atom,
          value =backup_args]]]
```

## Collaborative work support

- query & graph sharing
- stateful links

```
mods[name=mnesia_log]
  .funs[name=open_log]
    .refs[
      .param[index=1]
        .origin[type=atom,
          value=decision_log]]
```

## Investigations

# Mods & Parametrised Queries

```
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          value =backup_args]]]
```

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mods[name=mnesia_log]
  .funsexpr
    .refs[
      .param[index=1]
```

```
.sub[index=1]
  .origin[type=atom,
    value =backup_args]]
```

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  .funns[name=open_log]
    .refs[
      .param[index=1]
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