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# The project

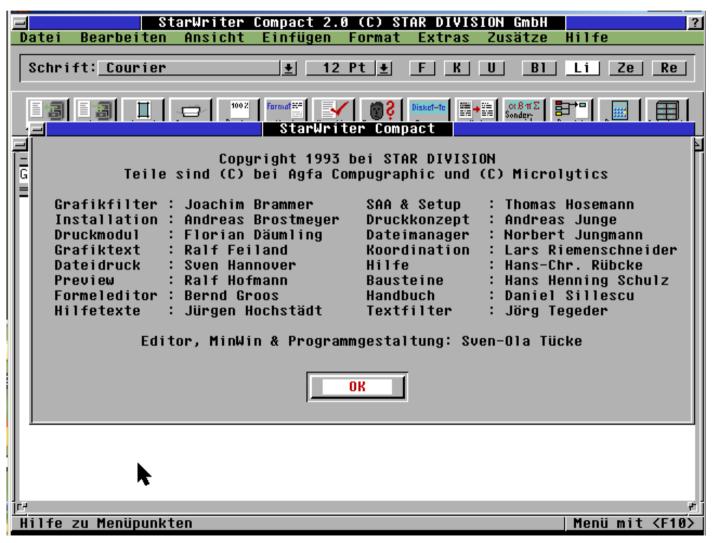
### Some history

- 1985: StarWriter for Z80 micros
- 1986: StarDivision founded, StarOffice
- 1999: Sun Microsystems acquires StarDivision
- 2000: OpenOffice becomes Free Software
- 2002: OpenOffice 1.0
- 2005: OASIS standard, OpenOffice 2.0
- 2010: Oracle acquires Sun
- 2010: LibreOffice and The Document Foundation
- 2011: Apache OpenOffice

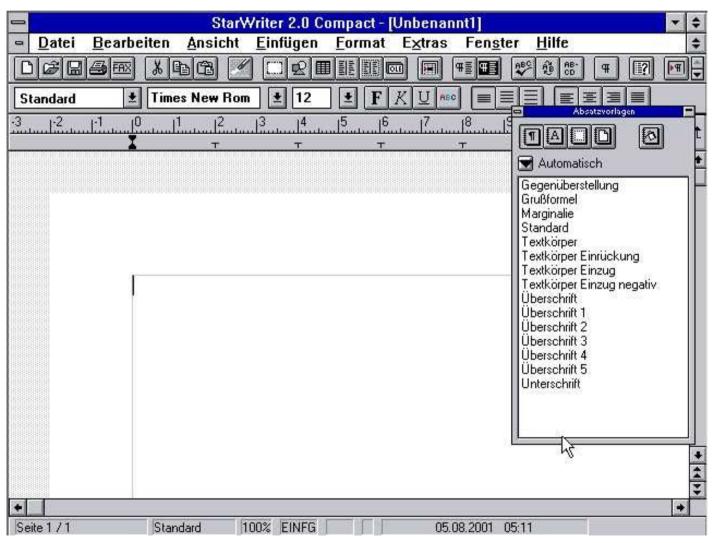
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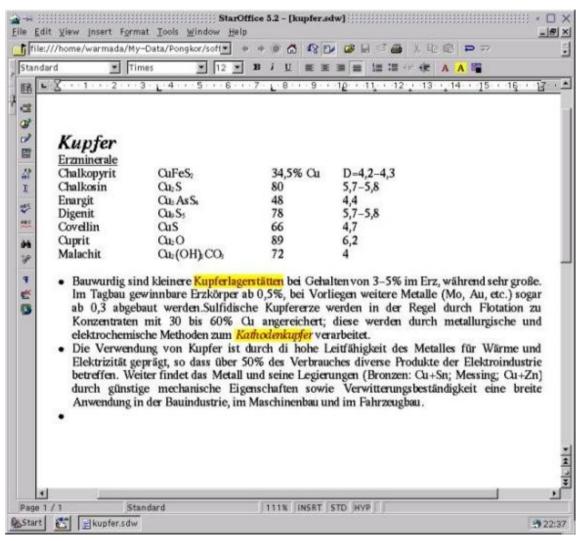
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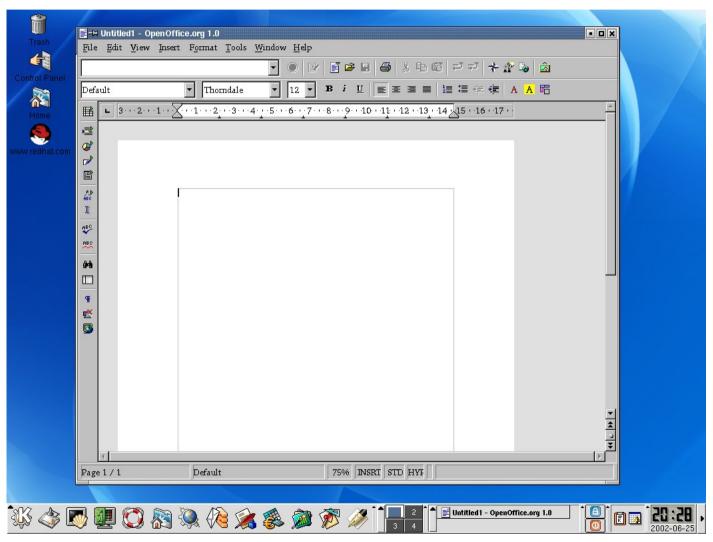
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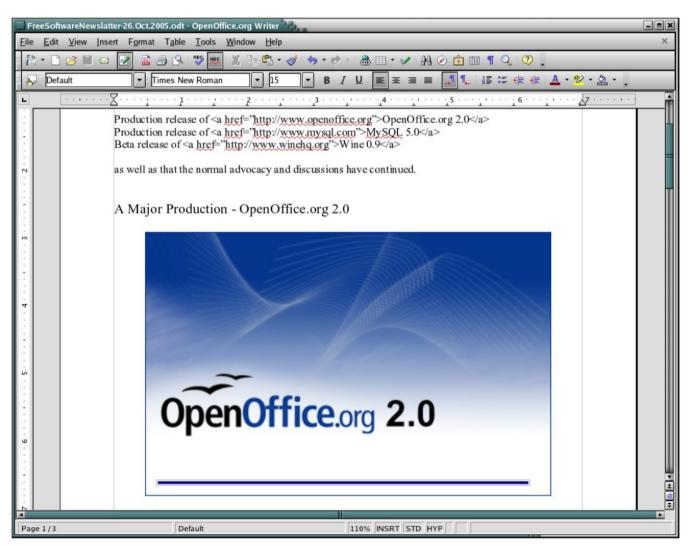
### **StarOffice 5.2, 2000**



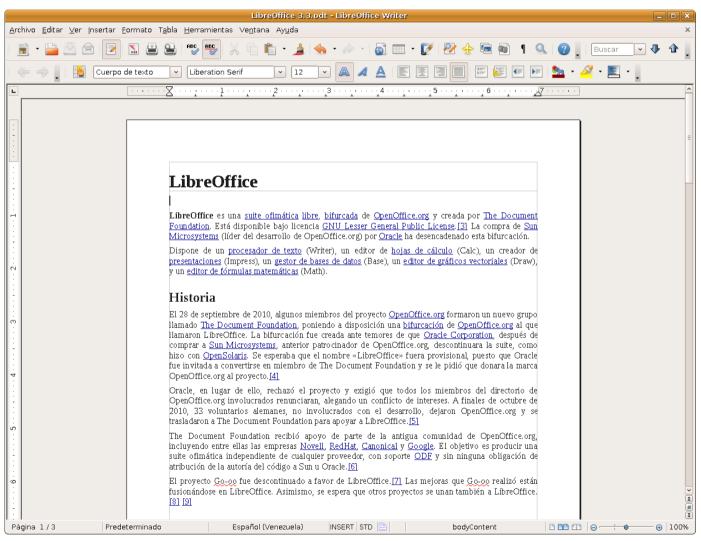
# OpenOffice.org 1.0, 2002



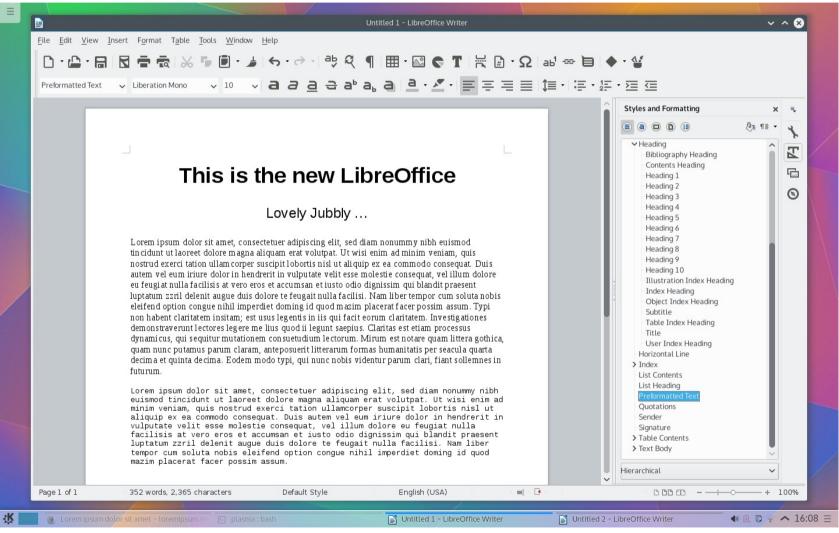
# OpenOffice.org 2.0, 2005



### LibreOffice 3.3, 2010



### LibreOffice 5.0, 2015



## LibreOffice today

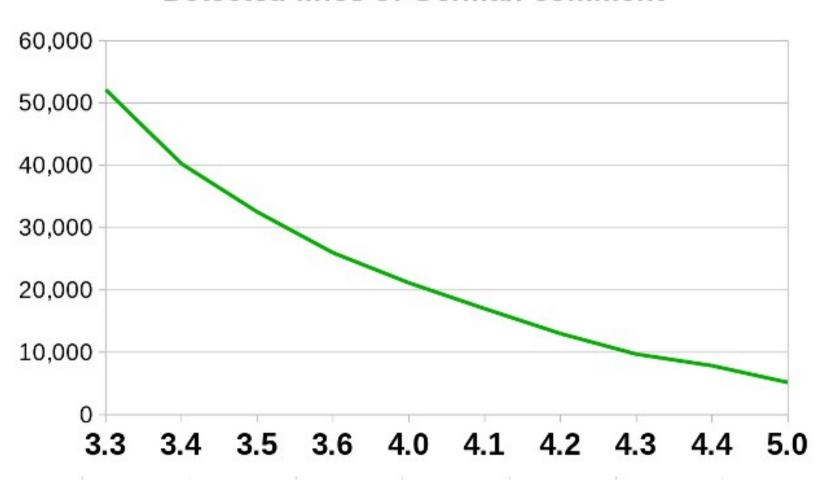
- Around 80 monthly committers and 1600 commits
- 7M lines of code
- ~25 years of history

"Exact history was lost before Sept. 18th, 2000, but old source code comments show that Writer core dates back until at least November 1990."

5000 lines of German code comments!

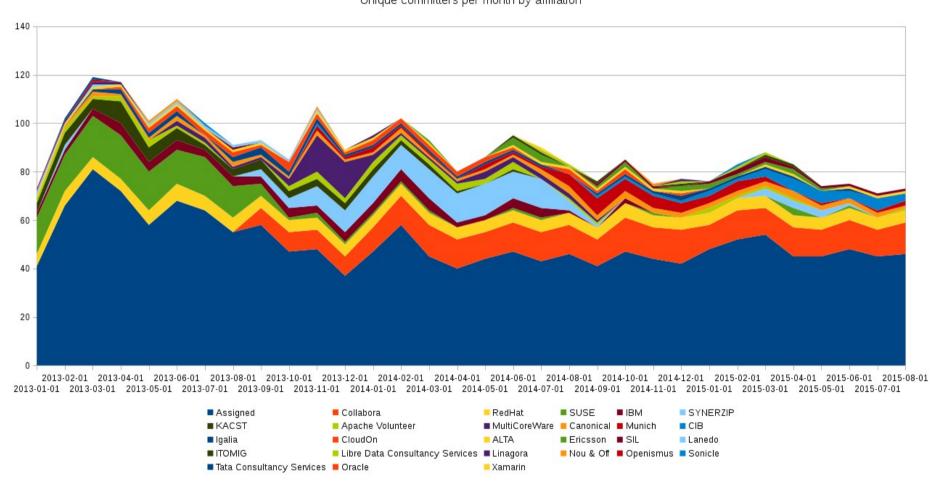
#### **Stats: German comments**

#### Detected lines of German comment

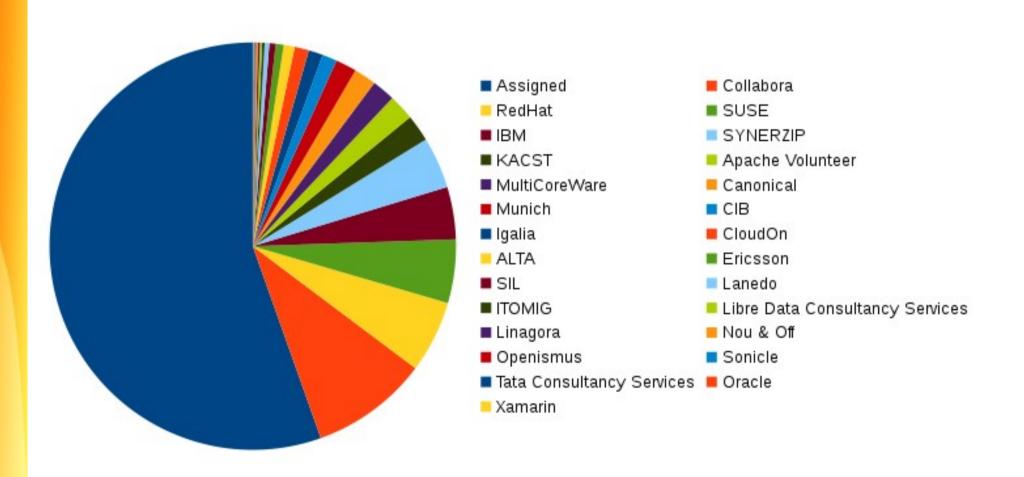


#### Stats: contributors

Unique committers per month by affiliation

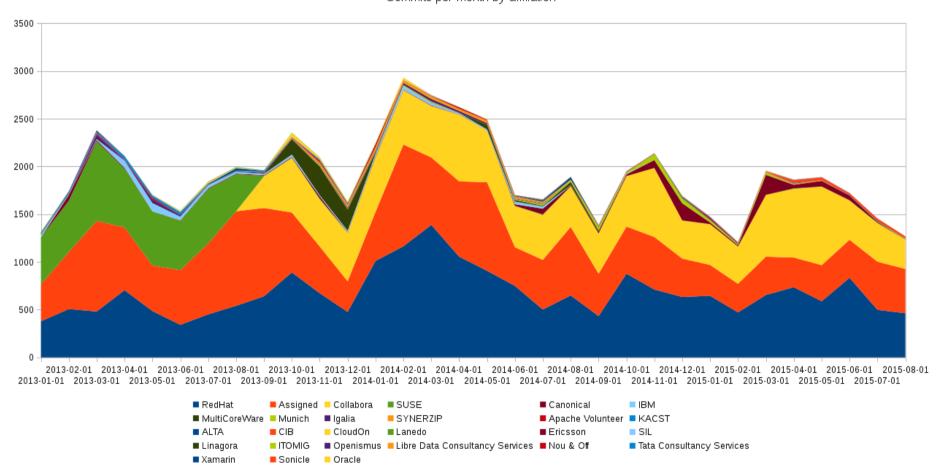


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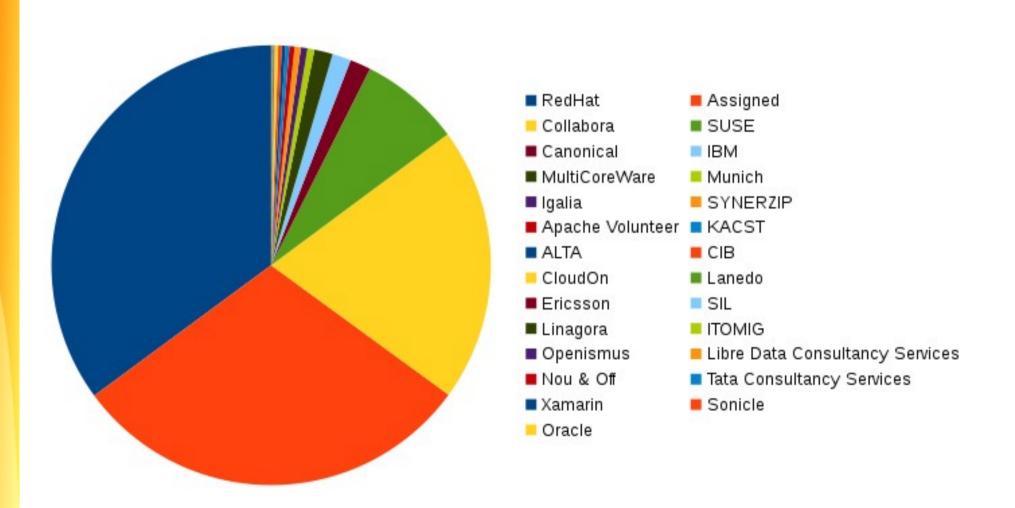


#### **Stats: commits**

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#### Release calendar

- Release early, release often
- Major release every six months (5.0.0)
  - Brings new features
- Minor release ~ every month (5.0.1, etc.)
  - Bugfixing only
- End of life: 9 months
- Always two versions coexisting
  - Right now: 4.4.5 and 5.0.2

### Release calendar

- Plan for 5.0
  - https://wiki.documentfoundation.org/ReleasePlan

release	freeze	publishing
5.0.0	Week 21, May 18, 2015 - May 24, 2015	Week 31, Jul 27, 2015 – Aug 2, 2015
5.0.1	Week 31, Jul 27, 2015 - Aug 2, 2015	Week 35, Aug 24, 2015 - Aug 30, 2015
5.0.2	Week 36, Aug 31, 2015 - Sep 6, 2015	Week 39, Sep 21, 2015 - Sep 27, 2015
5.0.3	Week 41, Oct 5, 2015 - Oct 11, 2015	Week 44, Oct 26, 2015 - Nov 1, 2015
5.0.4	Week 48, Nov 23, 2015 - Nov 29, 2015	Week 51, Dec 14, 2015 - Dec 20, 2015
5.0.5	Week 3 , Jan 18, 2016 - Jan 24, 2016	Week 6, Feb 8, 2016 - Feb 14, 2016
5.0.6	Week 15, Apr 11, 2016 - Apr 17, 2016	Week 18, May 2, 2016 - May 8, 2016
End of Life	May 29, 2016	

#### **Future**

- Mobile and cloud versions
  - LibreOfficeKit API
- Support more document types
  - Document Liberation Project
  - OOXML in particular
- GTK+ 3, Wayland
- Polish

## Architecture

#### Frame-Controller-Model

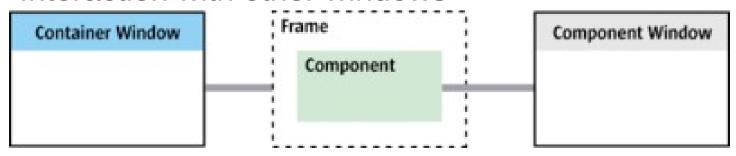
- Model
  - Represents an object from the document
    - Text, shapes, spreadsheet cells
- Controller
  - Interaction between the screen and the model
  - Observes the model
  - Manipulates the presentation but not the model
- Frame
  - Bridge between the controller and window objects
  - Bidirectional communication between controller and UI

#### Other elements

- Component
  - Common interface between controller and frame
  - Hierarchical organization
- Desktop
  - Root frame
- Window
  - Area with painting and interaction capabilities
  - Not necessarily a system window

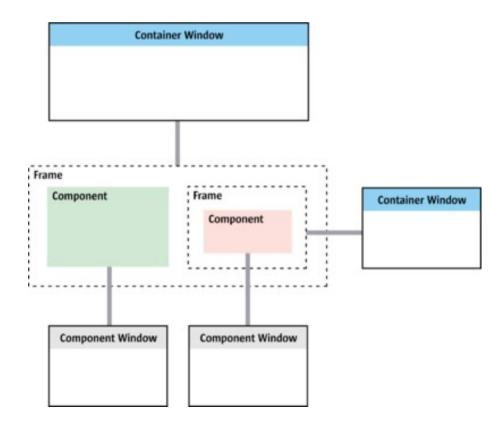
### **Components and windows**

- A frame attaches a component with two windows
  - Component window
    - Component painting area
    - Receives user interaction
  - Container window
    - Event broadcast
    - Interaction with other windows



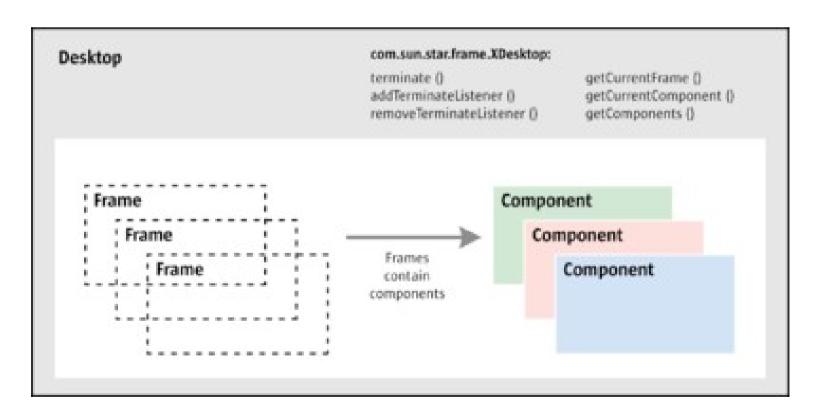
## **Component hierarchy**

- A frame can contain several components
- Sub-frame: dependent window
  - Floating text, dockable window...



### Desktop

- Hierarchy root frame
- Specific interface



## Dispatch framework

- Communication interfaces between components and UI
- Commands expressed by a URL
- Implemented in frames and controllers
- Responsibility chain
  - Traverse the hierarchy until reaching the one implementing the command

#### Other considerations

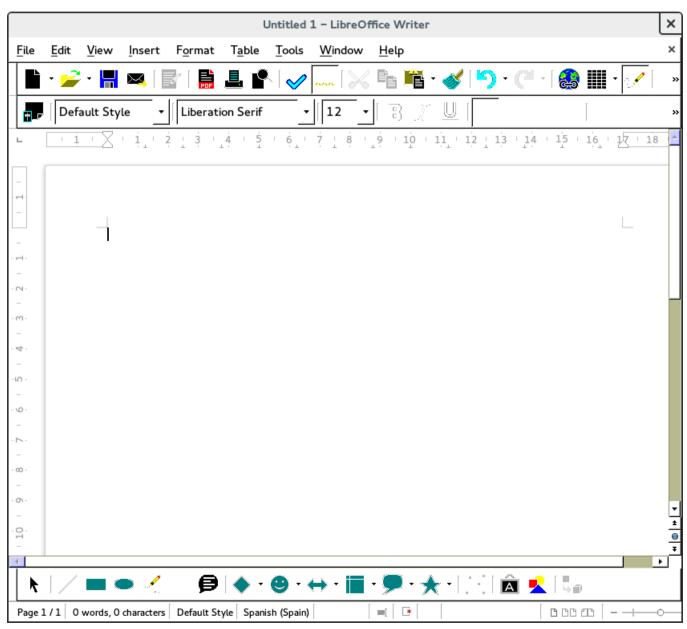
- Not a global, application-wide design
- Large parts of LibreOffice don't follow this pattern
  - Filters, VCL (visual components library)

# LibreOffice accessibility

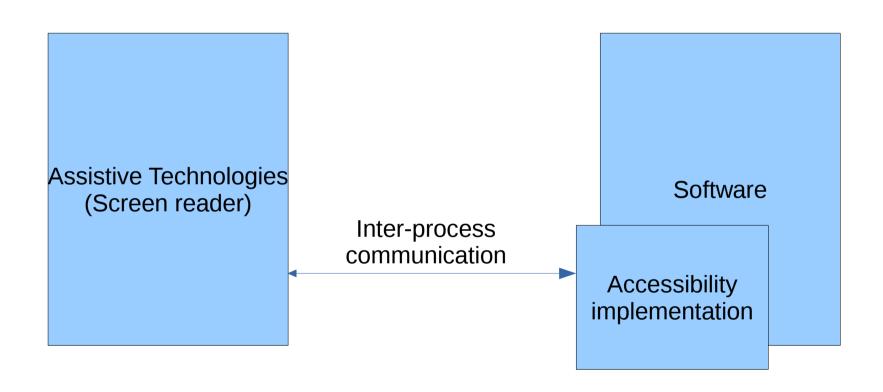
### Some assistive technologies

- Hardware ATs
  - Adaptive input devices
- Software ATs
  - Magnifier
  - High contrast
  - Screen reader

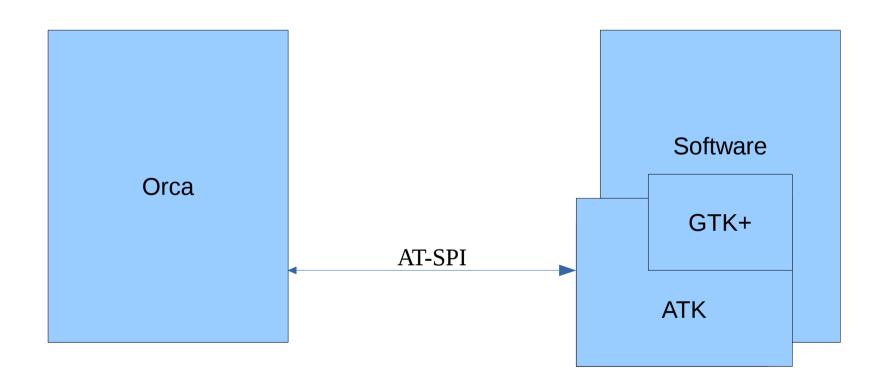
## **High contrast**



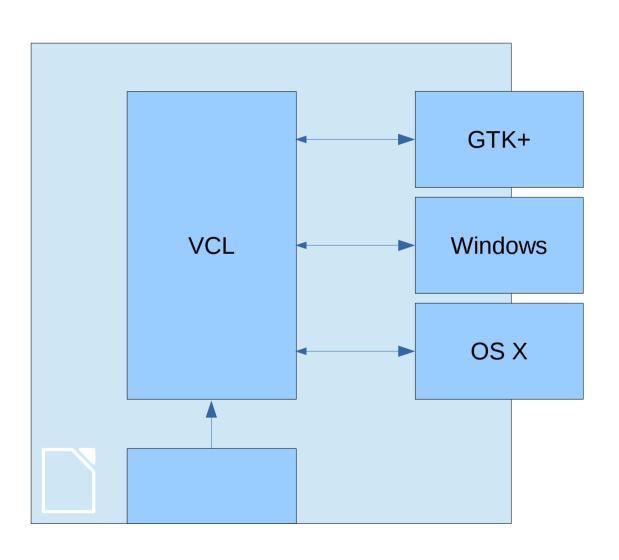
#### Screen reader



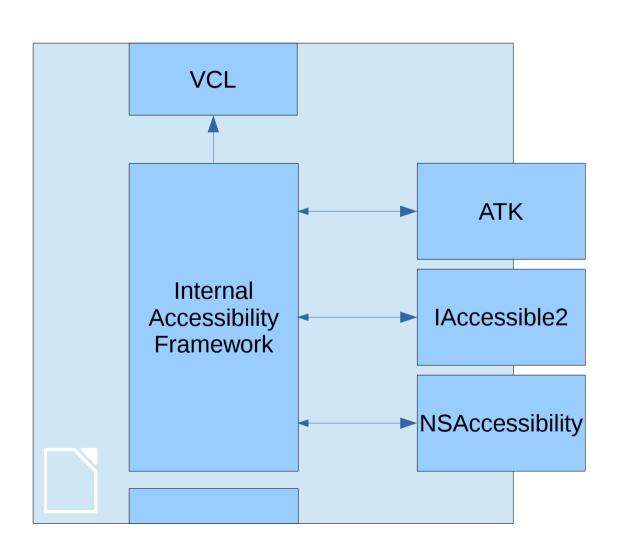
# Screen reader (GNOME)



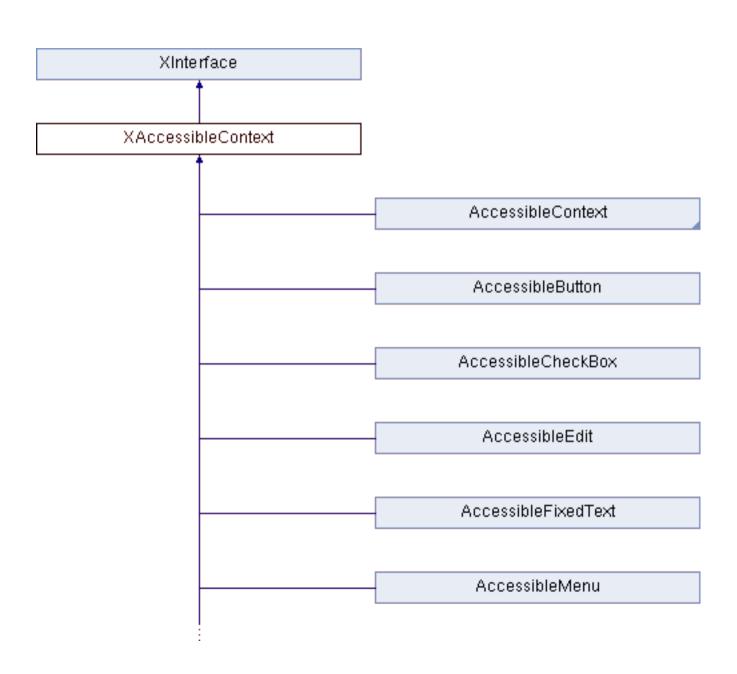
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### Interfaces involved



### Layers

LibreOffice core

Application layer

LibreOffice Accessibility framework

LibreOffice ATK implementation

ATK <-> AT-SPI bridge

Platform layer

AT-SPI registry (D-BUS)

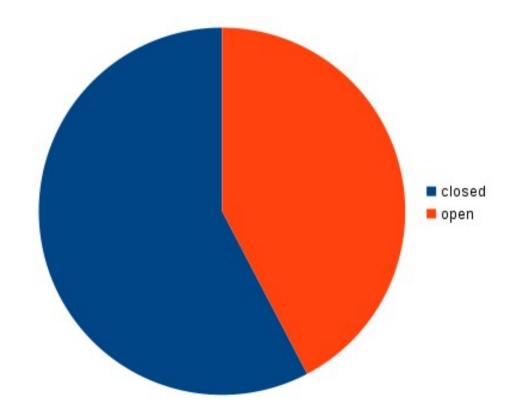
AT layer

Screen reader

**Testing tools** 

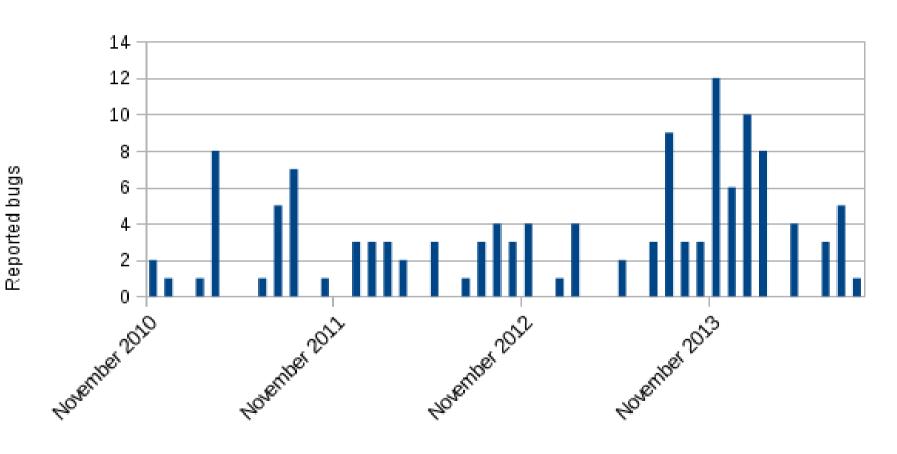
### **Bug metrics**

- 130 bugs reported since November 2010
  - 55 open, 75 closed



# **Accessibility reports**

Reported accessibility bugs per month



#### **Current status**

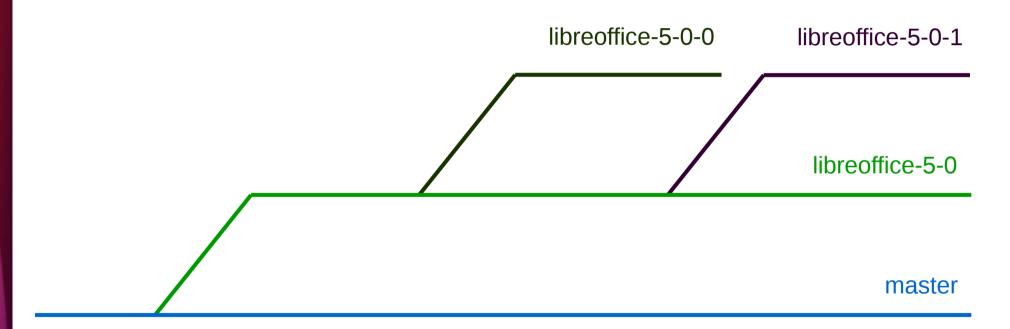
- It's been under real user for years
  - Reports increase, suggests an increase of users
- Of course, there are open bugs
  - Like in any software!
  - New reports are a symptom of good health

# Quality assurance

### Techniques and tools

- Peer review
- Unit tests
- Continuous integration
- Crashtests
- Static code analysis
- Bug triaging
  Regression detection tools
- Manual testing

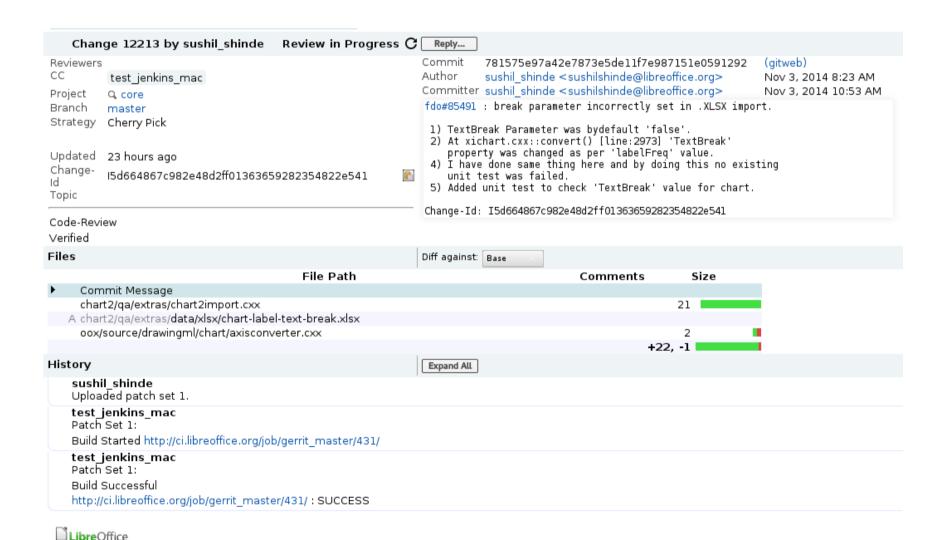
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- master branch
  - Committees without review, 1 review for others
- libreoffice-5-0 branch:
  - Only bugfixing
  - +1 review in any case
- libreoffice-5-0-x branches:
  - Only patches from 5-0 branch
  - +2 reviews

#### Peer review



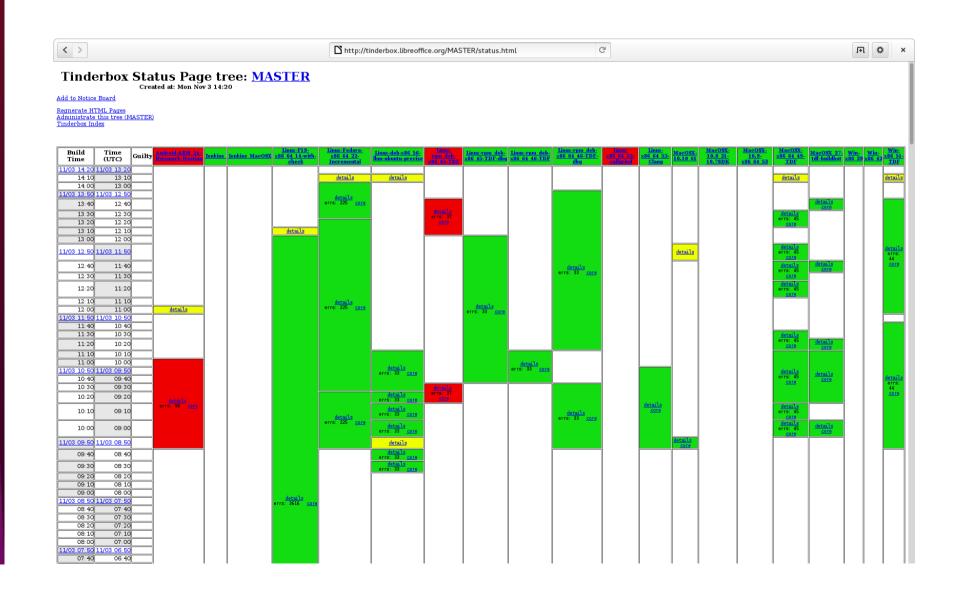
#### **Unit tests**

- Check key elements in documents
  - Import
  - Import + export + import
- Variable coverage
  - Good coverage for new document formats
- No automated UI testing as for now

### **Continuous integration**

- Several machines are periodically compiling LibreOffice
  - Daily or several times per day
  - Also run unit tests
- Different platforms
  - All supported platforms and some more (Android, iOS)
- Different compilation options

### **Continuous integration**



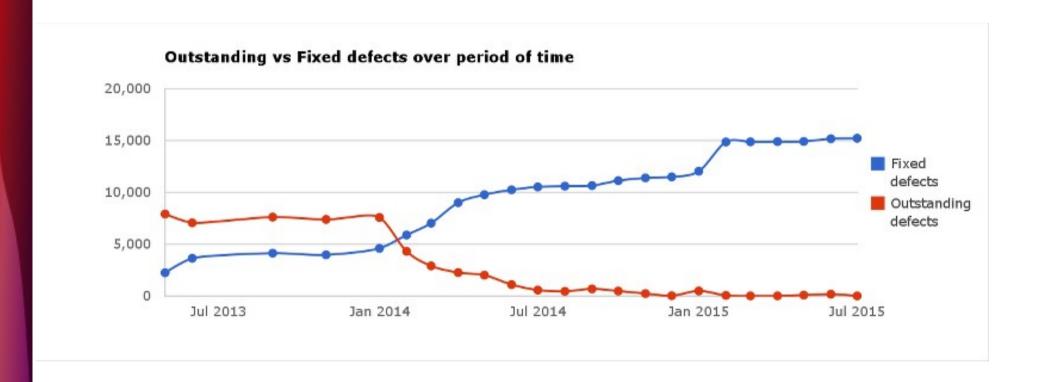
#### Crashtests

- Check crashes when opening and saving documents
- Sample size: 55000 documents
  - Most come from bug reports
- Periodicity: weekly

### Static code analysis

- Tool Coverity Scan
  - Free for open source projects
- Detects: dead code, uninitialized variables, uncaught exceptions...
- Defect density reduced from 1,1 to ~0
  - Density measured in defects every 1000 lines
  - Average for similar sized projects: 0,71

# Static code analysis



# **Bug triaging**

- Periodically check bugzilla reports
  - Confirm bugs
  - Detect duplicates
  - Prioritize
  - Verify patches

### Regression detection tools

- Regression: a problem that was not present in previous versions
- Main tool to fix regressions: bisect
  - Binary search of the guilty commit
  - Recompilation cycle makes it unfeasible in LibreOffice
- LibreOffice tool: bi-bisect (binary bisect)
  - Binary repository from different development stages
  - Recompilation not necessary

### Manual testing

- List of tests to be manually run
  - Tool: MozTrap
  - Testing rounds for every pre-release (betas, release candidates)
- "Freestyle" testing
- Bug hunting sessions

¡Thank you!



