



IntelliJ Super Productivity in 45 Minutes

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Why IntelliJ IDEA?

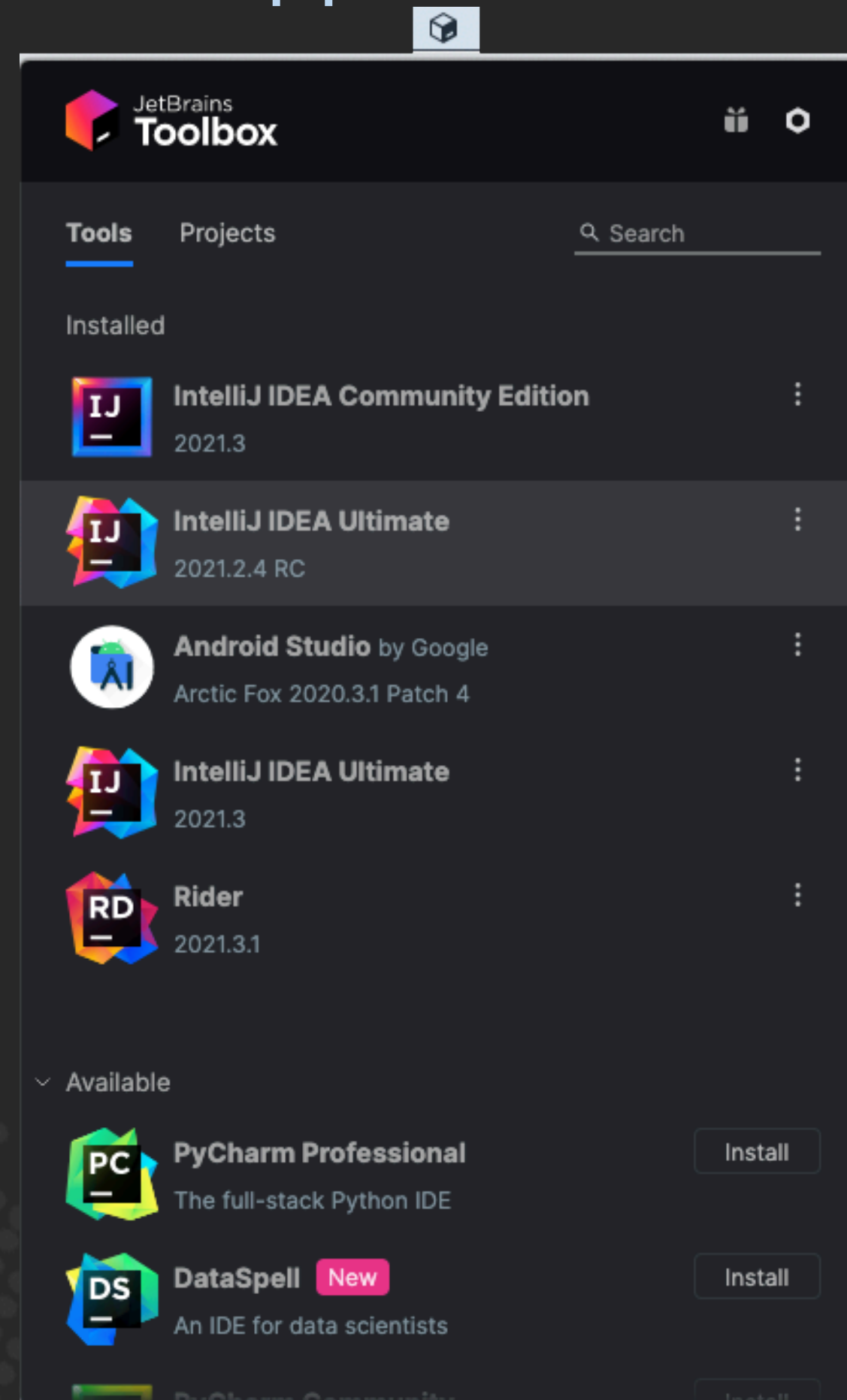
● My story

- Started with Borland JBuilder 1997
- Then used Eclipse for a year in 2002
- Needed something to work with horrible messy Java code
 - And create some Swing GUIs at the same time
- Downloaded IntelliJ IDEA
 - No free version at the time
 - Used it for 30 days
 - Bought it
- Paid twice
 - Once for the license and then reduced hours worked
 - But work was far more pleasant, less frustration, better life

Download JetBrains Toolbox

● Keeps the IDEs up to date

– <https://www.jetbrains.com/toolbox-app/>



Setting up IntelliJ IDEA

◎ Appearance & Behavior

- Darcula Scheme most popular, but errors harder to see

◎ Keymap, Mac OS X

- IntelliJ IDEA classic has more finger friendly shortcuts

Editor Settings

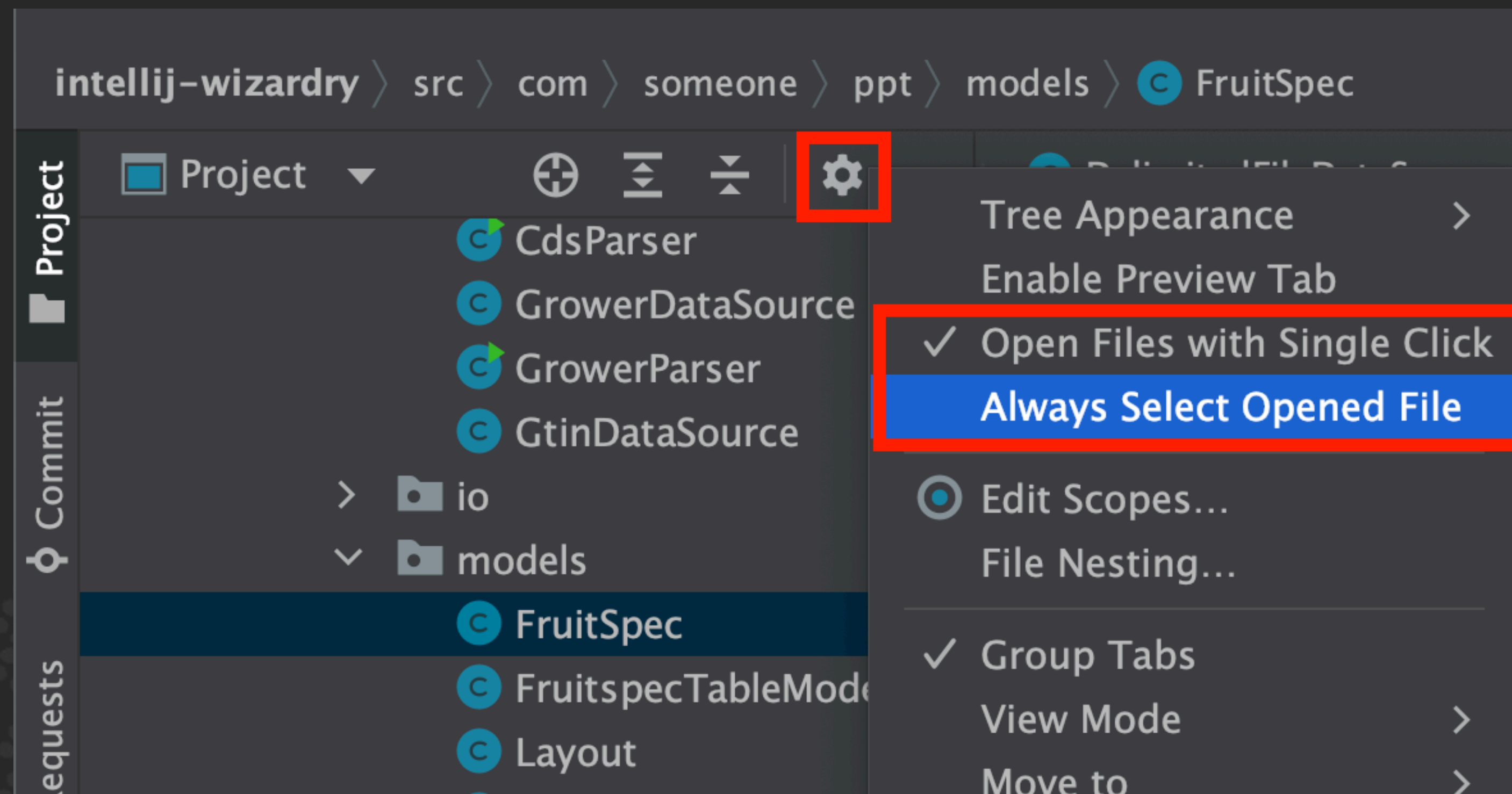
● Editor →

- General → Smart Keys: Select Use "CamelHumps" words

Autoscroll to/from source

● Should be on by default

- Lots of times saw programmers editing the wrong file
- ✓ Open Files with Single Click
- ✓ Always Select Opened File

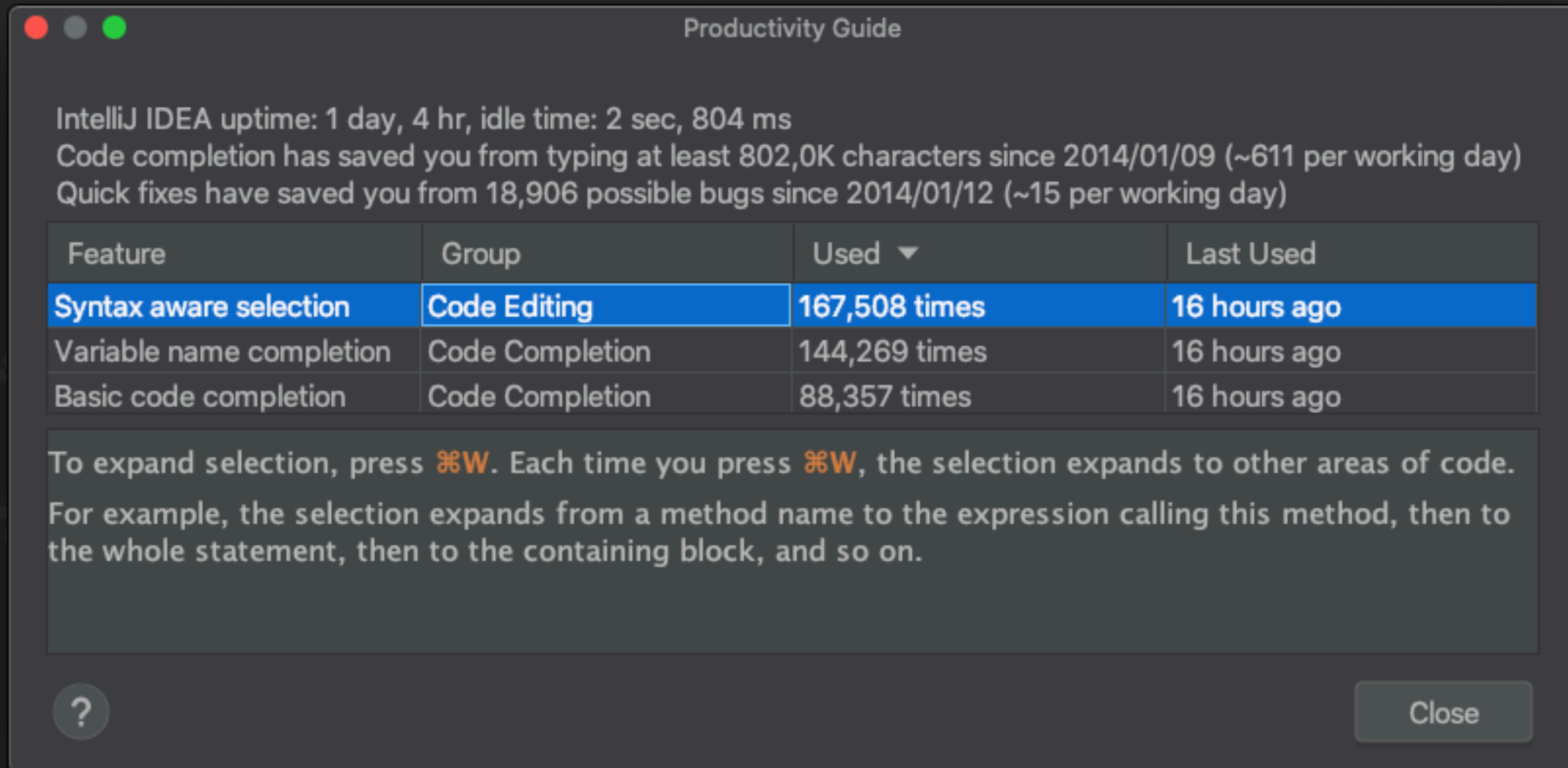




IntelliJ IDEA Philosophy

Help → My Productivity

- Track progress in how productive you have become



The screenshot shows a 'Productivity Guide' dialog box with a title bar containing three window control buttons (red, grey, green) and the text 'Productivity Guide'. The main content area displays the following text:

IntelliJ IDEA uptime: 1 day, 4 hr, idle time: 2 sec, 804 ms
Code completion has saved you from typing at least 802,0K characters since 2014/01/09 (~611 per working day)
Quick fixes have saved you from 18,906 possible bugs since 2014/01/12 (~15 per working day)

Feature	Group	Used ▼	Last Used
Syntax aware selection	Code Editing	167,508 times	16 hours ago
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To expand selection, press **⌘W**. Each time you press **⌘W**, the selection expands to other areas of code. For example, the selection expands from a method name to the expression calling this method, then to the whole statement, then to the containing block, and so on.

At the bottom left, there is a question mark icon in a circle. At the bottom right, there is a 'Close' button.

Searching

- **"Search Everywhere"**
 - Windows/Linux: Double Shift
 - Mac OS X: ⌘ ⌘
- **"Search Everywhere and Include non-project items"**
 - Windows/Linux: Quadruple Shift
 - Mac OS X: ⌘ ⌘ ⌘ ⌘
- **Kept on hitting this by mistake when pressing ↑**



When IntelliJ IDEA Hangs Up

Livelock from Corrupt Local Files

The screenshot shows the IntelliJ IDEA IDE interface. The main editor displays the following Java code for `WildFactorizer.java`:

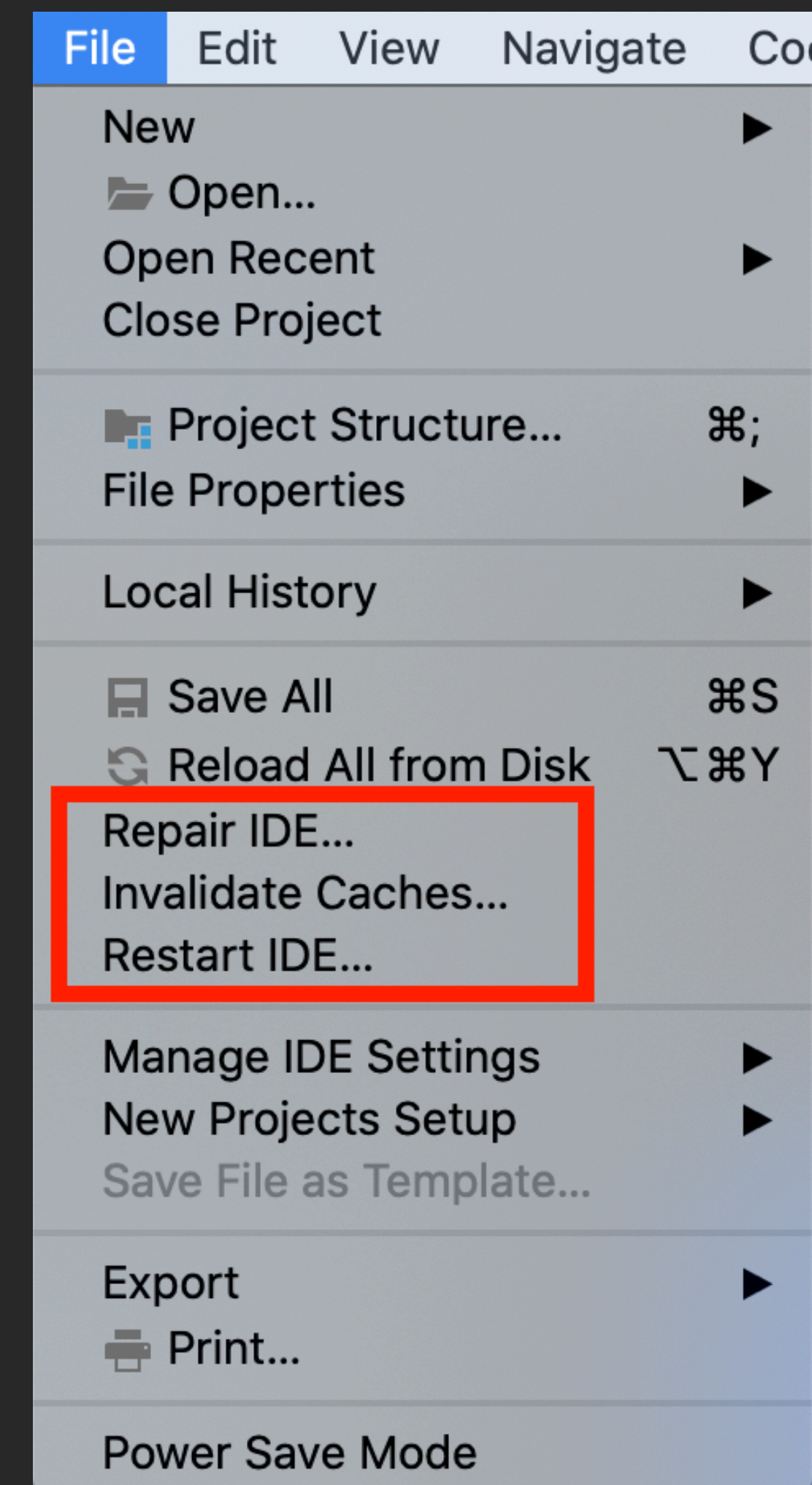
```
1 package concurrency.ch06_task_execution.solution_6_1;
2
3 import concurrency.math.*;
4
5 import java.util.concurrent.atomic.*;
6
7 public class WildFactorizer {
8     public static void main(String[] args) {
9         long start = (1 << 19) - 1; // known Mersenne prime
10        AtomicLong next = new AtomicLong(start);
11        for (int i = 0; i < 10000; i++) {
12            long number = next.getAndIncrement();
13            long[] factors = Factorizer.factor(number);
14            if (factors.length == 1) {
15                System.out.println(factors[0]);
16            }
17        }
18    }
19 }
```

The IDE shows a "Compilation aborted (moments ago)" message at the bottom. The status bar indicates the time is 7:20, the encoding is UTF-8, and the file size is 171M of 2043M. The project structure on the left shows the file is located in `concurrency.ch06_task_execution.solution_6_1`.

Recovering from Broken Indexes

◎ IntelliJ gets into a bad state if indexes are corrupted

- File → Repair IDE...
 - Try this first, stepping through until everything works
- File → Invalidate Caches...
 - Usually takes a while to reindex
 - But solves most of the problems
 - Try to not lose local history




Opening old projects

- ◎ **Modern versions of IntelliJ IDEA might go into infinite loops**
 - Need to kill with -9
- ◎ **Create new project with existing sources and overwrite old project files**



Essential Shortcuts

Superkey for fixing almost anything

- ◎ "Show intention actions and quick-fixes"
 - Windows/Linux: Alt + Enter
 - Mac OS X:  ↵

Generate new code

◎ "Generate Code"

- Windows/Linux: Alt + Ins
- Mac OS X (Official): ⌘N
- Mac OS X (Heinz): ^↵ or ^N

◎ Quick demo creating playground.Person

- Add final field, show difference between ^↵ and ⌘↵

Before we continue ...

◎ Get our Data Structures in Java Course here

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- Coupon expires today at 8:30 Amsterdam Time
 - But you have life-time access once you have redeemed it



Live Templates

- ◎ **We can generate code quickly with live templates**
 - psvm or main: Main method
 - sout, soutv, soutm, soutp: Output
 - iter, fori, itco, itar: Iteration

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Navigation

● "Go to declaration"

- Windows/Linux: Ctrl + B or Ctrl + Click
- Mac OS X: ⌘B or ⌘Click

● "Navigate back / forward"

- Windows/Linux: Ctrl + Alt + Left / Right
- Mac OS X: ⌘⇧← / ⌘⇧→

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Should you throw away your mouse?

◎ Everything can be done with keyboard in IDEA

- It is useful to learn to touch type
- I usually have left hand on keyboard and right on mouse
 - Easy enough to find the correct keys - index fingers on F & J

◎ For navigating, I find the mouse faster

- Hold down Ctrl or ⌘ and everything becomes a hyperlink
- Scrolling with mouse or touchpad smoother

Bookmarks

- **Quick navigation between locations in project**

- **Set with**

- Windows/Linux: Ctrl + Shift + #[0-9]
- Mac OS X: $\wedge\uparrow 0 \dots \wedge\uparrow 9$

- **Navigate with**

- Windows/Linux: Ctrl + #[0-9]
- Mac OS X: $\wedge 0 \dots \wedge 9$

Syntax Aware Selection

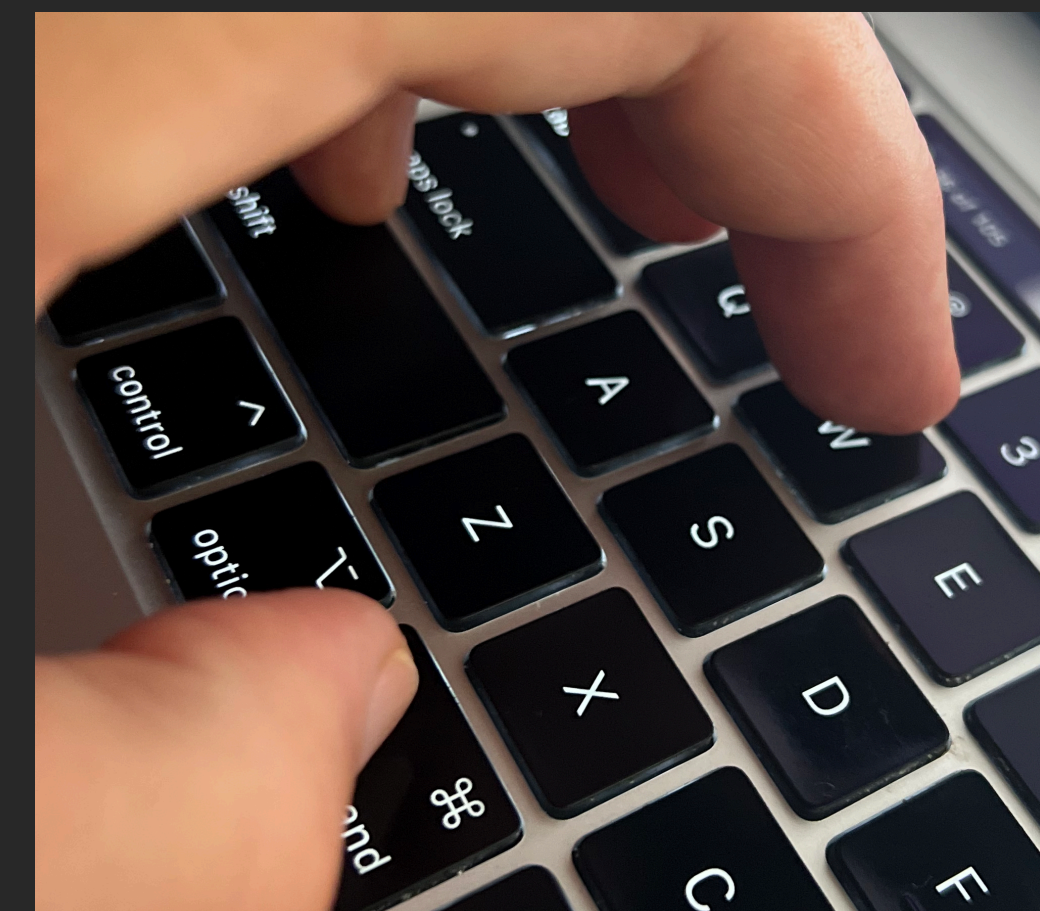
● "Extend Selection"

- Windows/Linux: Ctrl + W
- Mac OS X (Official): $\text{⌘} \uparrow$
- Mac OS X (Heinz): $\text{⌘} W$
 - Closes windows in other Mac OS X programs
 - But my left thumb and middle finger and pinkie do this nicely
 - By FAR my most used shortcut, 167k times since 2014

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● "Shrink Selection"

- Windows/Linux: Ctrl + Shift + W
- Mac OS X (Official): $\text{⌘} \downarrow$
- Mac OS X (Heinz): $\text{⌘} \uparrow W$



Move code up / down

● "Move Code Up"

- Windows/Linux: Ctrl + Shift + Up
- Mac OS X: ⌘ ⇧ ↑

● "Move Code Down"

- Windows/Linux: Ctrl + Shift + Down
- Mac OS X: ⌘ ⇧ ↓

● **Note: If nothing is selected, we consider current line to be selected**



Turbo-boosted Productivity

Surround with Live Template

- "Surround with Live Template"

- Windows/Linux: Ctrl + Alt + J
- Mac OS X: ⌘ ⇧ J

- Again context aware, for example with Java

- C. Surround with Callable

- RL. Surround with ReadWriteLock.readLock

- WL. Surround with ReadWriteLock.writeLock

- I. Iterate Iterable or array

- Demo: changing `main(String[])` to `main(String...)`

Define your own Live Templates

● Preferences -> Editor -> Live Templates

● e.g. Wrap code in `System.nanoTime()`

– Fantastic for demos, use JMH for serious benchmarks

Abbreviation: `nanotime`

Description: `System.nanoTime()`

Template text:

```
long $TIME$ = System.nanoTime();
try {
    $SELECTION$
} finally {
    $TIME$ = System.nanoTime() - $TIME$;
    System.out.printf("$TIME$ = %dms%n",
        ($TIME$/1_000_000));
}
```


Column Select Editing

● With the mouse

- Windows/Linux: Alt + Drag Mouse
- Mac OS X: $\text{⌘} + \text{drag mouse}$

● With keyboard toggle column selection mode

- Windows/Linux: Alt + Shift + Insert
- Mac OS X (Official): $\text{⌘} \uparrow 8$
- Mac OS X (Heinz): $\text{⌘} \wedge \uparrow C$
- Make sure to turn column selection mode off afterwards

Demo

- Inside the FruitSpec, create an enum that holds all the fields

```
public enum Field {
    BARCODE("BarCode"),
    RUNNUMBER("RunNumber"),
    PUC("PUC"),
    /* etc. ... */
    GTIN("GTIN");
    private final String name;

    Field(String name) {
        this.name = name;
    }
}
```



Tips for Speakers

Assign shortcut for Presentation Mode

- I used **Command + Option P**, same as for Keynote
- **Change fonts or zoom level for presentation mode in**
 - Appearance & Behavior -> Appearance -> Presentation Mode

Define different Color Schemes for Resolutions

- **E.g. Darcula Talks 1080p, Darcula Talks 720p, etc.**
 - Fonts should be easily readable when watching on a smart phone
- **Might need to use white background with bad projector**
- **Switch quickly with Control + `**



Code Completion

Basic Code Completion

Code completion traditionally uses Ctrl+Space

- Windows/Linux: Ctrl + Space
- Mac OS X: ^Space

```
import java.util.List;
```

```
public class Demo {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {
```

```
        List<String> names = new
```

```
    }  
}
```

List<String>{...} (java.util)

ArrayList<> (java.util)

String java.lang

LinkedList<> (java.util)

Demo playground

Vector<> (java.util)

AbstractList<String>{...} (java.util)

AbstractSequentialList<String>{...} (ja...

Stack<> (java.util)

CopyOnWriteArrayList<> (java.util.concu...

Anchor (com.lowagie.text)

ArrayStack (org.apache.commons.collecti

Press ↵ to insert, → to replace



Smart Code Completion

◎ This gives much better result - I always use this

- Windows/Linux: Ctrl + Shift + Space
- Mac OS X: ^⇧Space

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Refactoring

Alter Class / Field / Method

● "Move"

- Windows/Linux: F6
- Mac OS X: F6

● "Rename ..."

- Windows/Linux: Shift + F6
- Mac OS X: ⌘F6

● "Change Signature" - applies to methods

- Windows/Linux: Ctrl + F6
- Mac OS X: ⌘F6

Extract Method

- **Select a block of code and "Extract Method"**
 - Windows/Linux: Ctrl + Alt + M
 - Mac OS X: ⌘ ⌘ M
- **Some restrictions**
 - Cannot have more than one return value
 - Block must represent a set of statements or expressions
- **Additional benefits**
 - Extracting a method can discover other, similar, code

Demo

◎ Extract snippets from generatePcdRemarks() method in PcdGenerator

```
String remark = resultSet.getString("Remark1");  
if (!"".equals(remark)) {  
    remarks.put(remark, remark);  
}
```

```
remark = resultSet.getString("Remark2");  
if (!"".equals(remark)) {  
    remarks.put(remark, remark);  
}
```

```
remark = resultSet.getString("Remark3");  
if (!"".equals(remark)) {  
    remarks.put(remark, remark);  
}
```

Inline Code

- **Applies to methods, fields, local variables**
- **"Inline"**
 - Windows/Linux: Ctrl + Alt + N
 - Mac OS X: ⌘⇧N
- **Conveniently close to "Extract Method" shortcut**



Analyzer

Analyzer

- ◎ **IntelliJ shines with its code analyzer and refactoring**
- ◎ **Code → Inspect Code ...**
 - Whole project
 - Or: Right-click in project → Analyze → Inspect Code ...
 - Inspection profile: Default IDE
- ◎ **It checks for the most glaring code inconsistencies**
 - Let's try it out together

Java Language Migration Aids

◎ Demos

- Use enhanced switch in
 - `CdsGenerator#generateCfg()`
 - `PcdGenerator#generatePcdTemplate()`
- Use pattern variable in `ElegantTable#initGui()`
- Use try-with-resource in `LineSocket#receiveFile()`



Conclusion

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Conclusion IntelliJ Super Productivity

- **Many more keystrokes and features to learn**
- **One new one per day**
- **Happy coding!**