

IDENTIFICATION OF IMPORTANT PLACES IN SOURCE CODE BY EYE TRACKING PROGRAMMERS

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STUDENT

- ☆ Is trying to solve a problem
- ☆ Can't solve the problem
- ☆ leaves the code
- ☆ Is sad



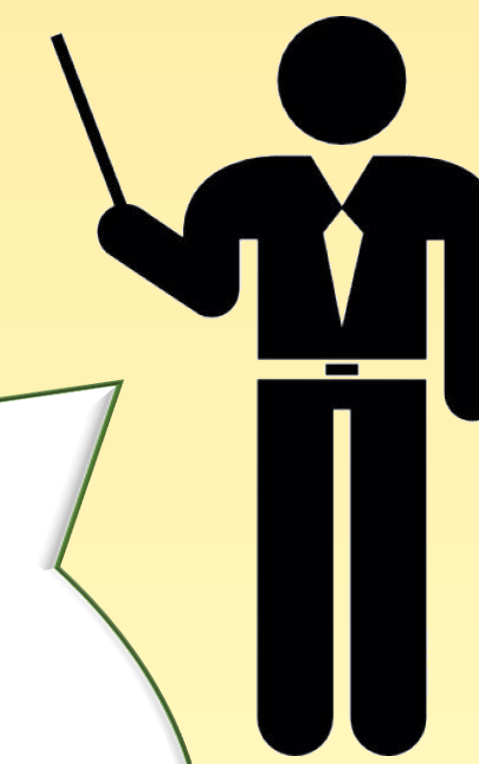
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1 int getLine(void)
2 {
3     int c, i;
4     for(i = 0; i < MAXLINE && (c = getchar(
5         line[i] = c;
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7     line[i] = '\0';
8     if(c == '\n')
9         ++i;
10    return i;

```

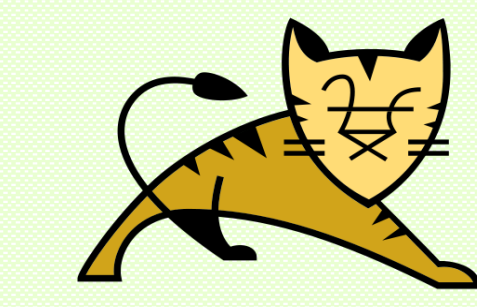
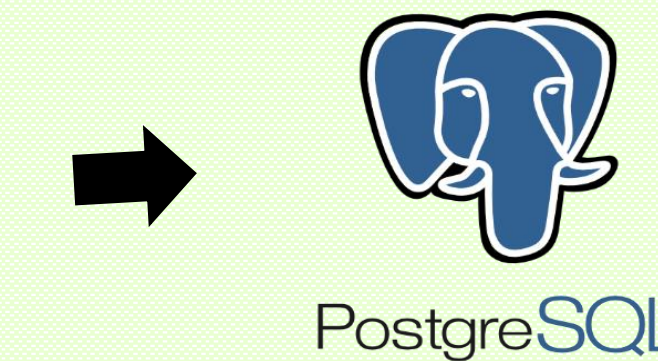
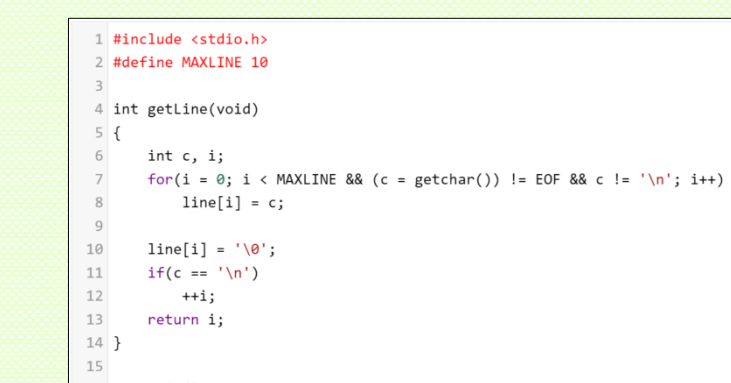
TEACHER

- ☆ Looks at student's code
- ☆ Does not understand the student
- ☆ Can't help the student
- ☆ Is sad

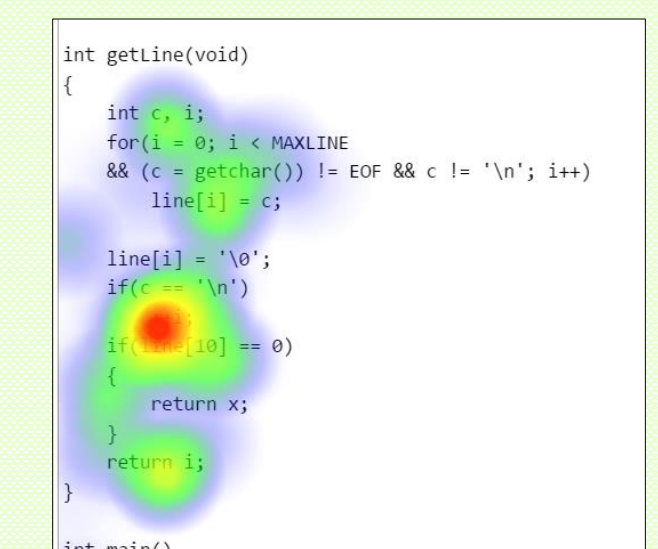


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6 日文漢字 是書寫日
7 文時 所使 用的
8 漢字
9 。日文 漢字的 寫法 基本
10 上與中
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- @Tracking programmer **during** programming
- @Recording **changes** in editor
- @Recording **scrolling**
- @Heat map generation for every **compilation**
- @Two possible configurations



- @Tracking programmer's gaze
- @Sending data to database
- @Generating heat maps
- @Identifying important places



Important places – places that a programmer focused the most

Used technology

Tobii EyeX – eye tracker tracking participant's gaze

CodeMirror – web editor which is able to track changes and scrolling

GazeHook – providing eye tracker data

Heatmap.js – JavaScript framework which is able to generate heat maps

Experiments

1. Reading static source code (Tobii Studio)
2. Editing source code (our algorithm)

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#include <stdio.h>
#define MAXLINE 10

int getLine(void)
{
    int c, i;
    for(i = 0; i < MAXLINE
    && (c = getchar()) != EOF && c != '\n'; i++)
        line[i] = c;

    line[i] = '\0';
    if(c == '\n')
    {
        return i;
    }
    return i;
}

int main()
{
    return 0;
}

```



STUDENT

- ☆ Now can solve the problem
- ☆ Is happy



TEACHER

- ☆ Looks at the student's heat maps
- ☆ Now understands the student's progress
- ☆ Can help the student
- ☆ Is happy