parallel tools platform

http://eclipse.org/ptp

Improving the Eclipse Parallel Tools Platform to Create an Effective Workbench for High Performance Computing

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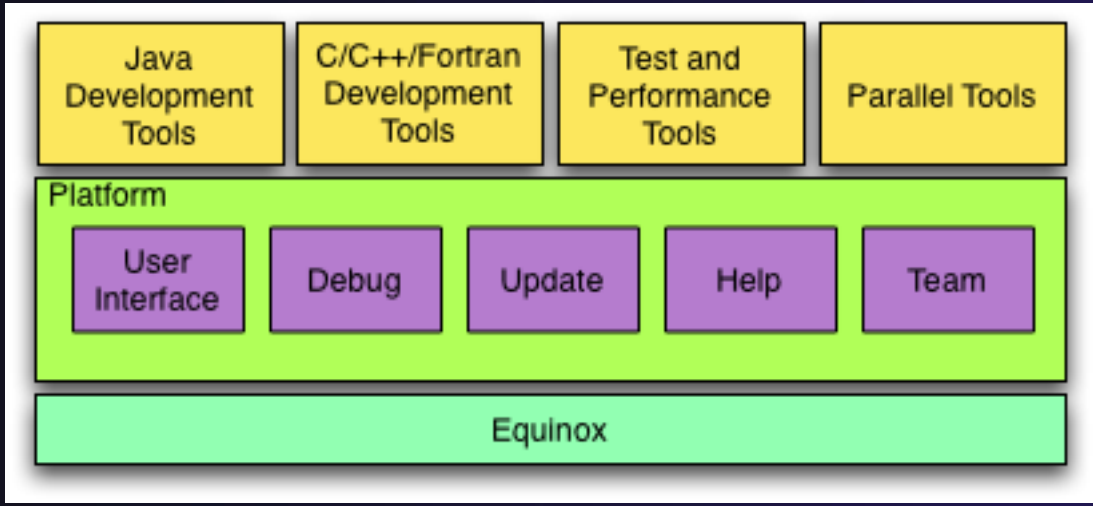
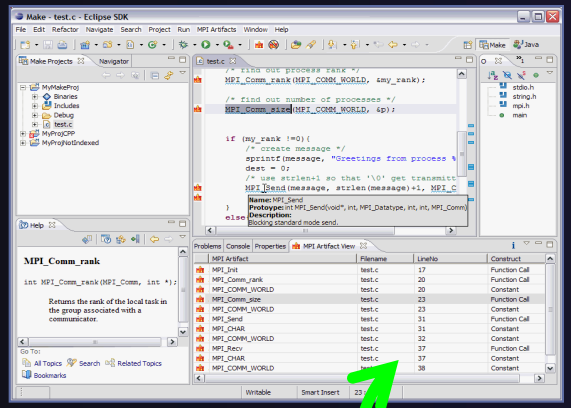
What is Eclipse?

- A vendor-neutral open-source workbench for multi-language development
- A extensible platform for tool integration
- Plug-in based framework to create, integrate and utilize software tools



Eclipse Parallel Tools Platform (PTP)

Coding & Analysis



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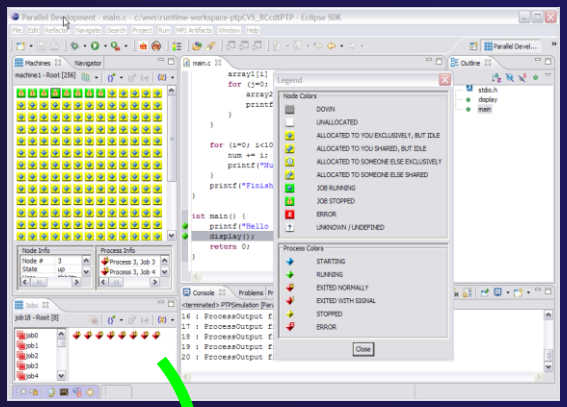

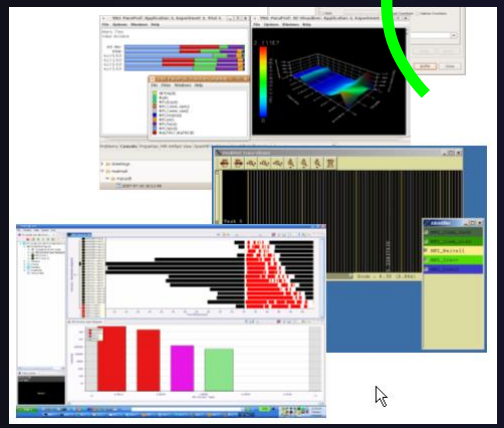

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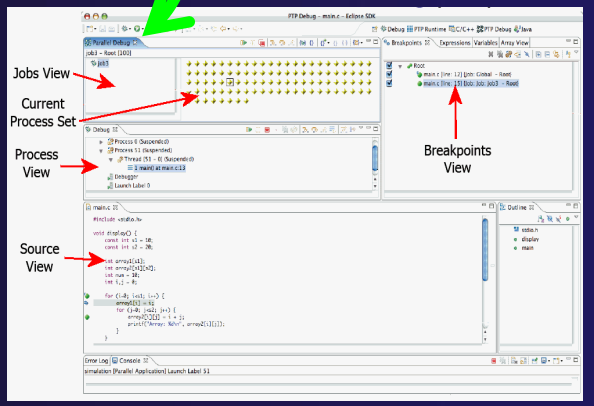
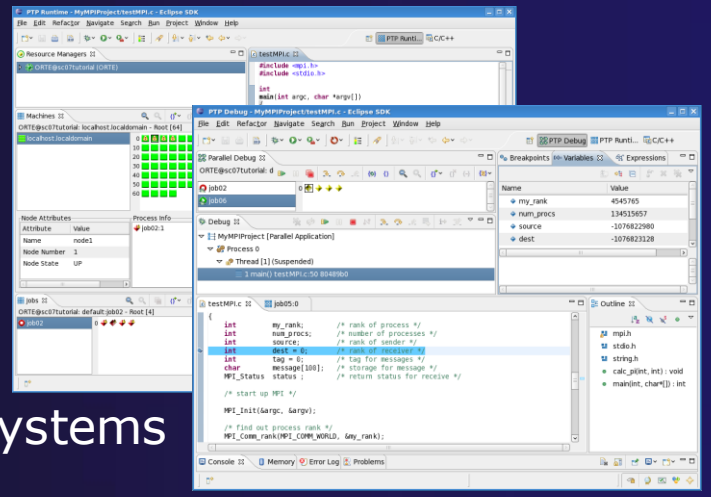


Debugging

Parallel Tools Platform (PTP)

- The Parallel Tools Platform aims to provide a highly integrated environment specifically designed for parallel application development
- Features include:
  - An integrated development environment (IDE) that supports a wide range of parallel architectures and runtime systems
  - A scalable parallel debugger
  - Parallel programming tools (MPI, OpenMP, UPC, etc.)
  - Support for the integration of parallel tools
  - An environment that simplifies the end-user interaction with parallel systems
- http://www.eclipse.org/ptp



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Why WHPC?

- Stable, portable platform for tool development
  - Focus on tool functionality, manage rapid evolution of HPC platforms
  - Encourage consistent tool look and feel
  - Support for HPC application development practices
    - Edit, build, test, debug, maintain, for maximum developer productivity
    - Remote development, batch execution mandatory
  - Track, store, search, browse code artifact provenance
  - Share tool functionality through an integration framework
  - Maintain tool identity
    - Provides for independent tool development pathways and funding

Why Parallel Tools Platform?

- High potential to meet needs of a WHPC.
- Target next generation of HPC developers growing up with IDEs (Eclipse, Visual Studio, ...)
- For PTP to become a WHPC need to:
  - Cultivate community of users
  - Make substantial improvements to PTP around two themes:
    - Improving usability
    - Improving productivity

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Requirements and Impact

- Application-centric approach
  - Use real application codes, with PTP, on production computational resources
    - Identify specific goals to accomplish with each application
    - Use Eclipse PTP to accomplish the goals
    - Identify shortcomings in Eclipse PTP that need to be rectified for Eclipse PTP to be effective with that application workplan
  - This is part of our project team's responsibility
  - Work with application community and learn from their experience with Eclipse PTP

Requirements and Impact (2)

- Application-centric approach
  - Work with application community and learn from their experience with Eclipse PTP
    - Bridge to TeraGrid and (now) XSEDE Advanced User Support
    - Work with targeted organizations to assist with adoption of PTP
    - Monthly user calls
    - Annual user group meeting
    - Hands on tutorials
    - Conference Birds of a Feather

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Improvements

- Work within Eclipse release cycle
  - Major (API-breaking) improvements with coordinated June release
    - Last major release Eclipse 4.2 "Juno" released June 27, 2012
  - Minor enhancements and bug-fixes with two coordinated service releases in September and February
    - Eclipse 4.2 SR1 due out Sept 26, 2012
- Foci of improvements
  - Improve usability
  - Improve productivity

Improve Usability

- Remote support and scalability enhancements
  - Broaden support of remote capabilities to full PTP
  - Provide for easy platform configuration management
  - Provide additional remote features
    - Automatic remote service deployment
    - Multiple authentication mechanism
    - Support wide range of resource managers
    - Full remote debug support

Improve Usability

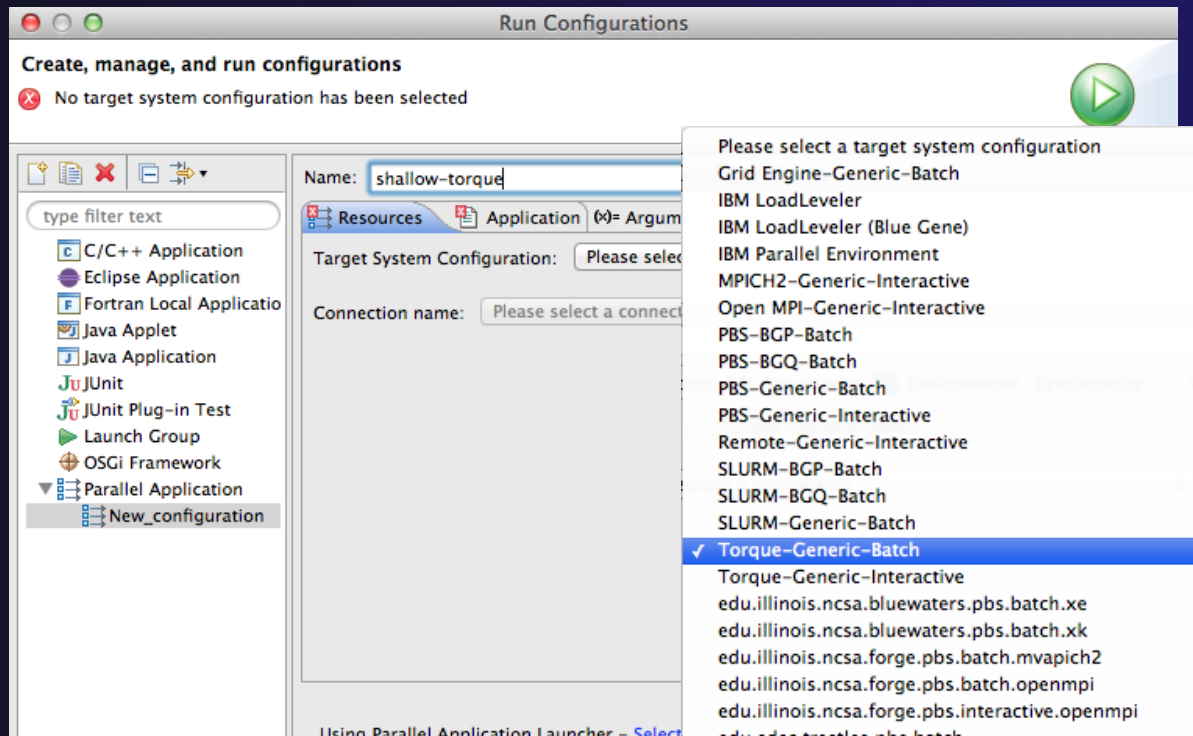
- Integration with other tools
  - Improve External Tools Framework (ETFw)
    - Full remote support
    - Integration of tool output with Eclipse views
- Improve and broaden parallel paradigm support
  - Driven by user needs and feedback

Improve Productivity

- Provide support for performance driven refactoring
- Track source and executable code provenance

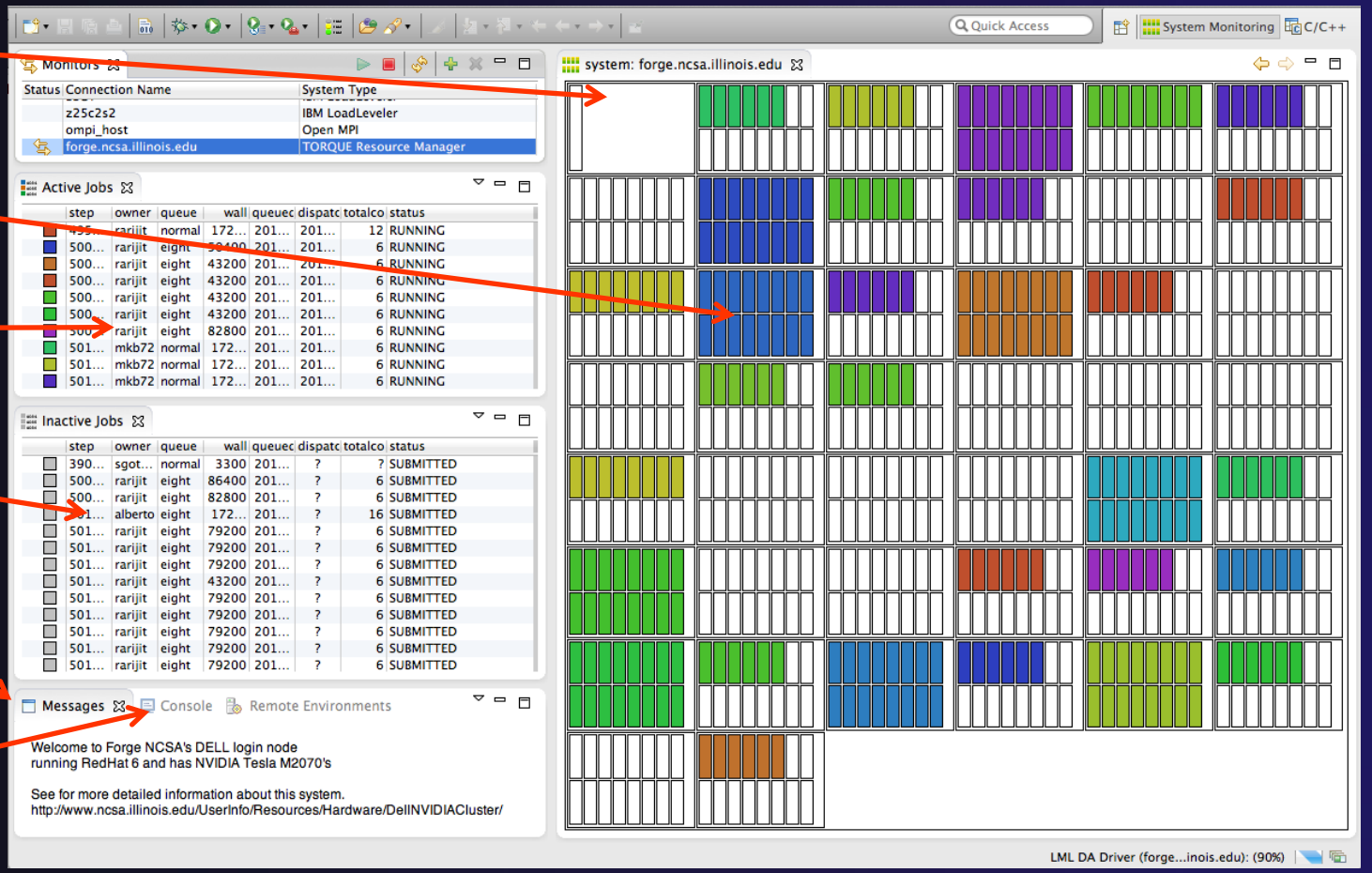
Significant Recent Improvements

- User-configurable machine configuration
  - Wide variety of configurations now available:
  - Documentation, tutorial at
    - http://wiki.eclipse.org/PTP/designs/Resource_Manager_Configuration



Scalable System Monitoring

- System view
- Jobs running on system
- Active jobs
- Inactive jobs
- Messages
- Console



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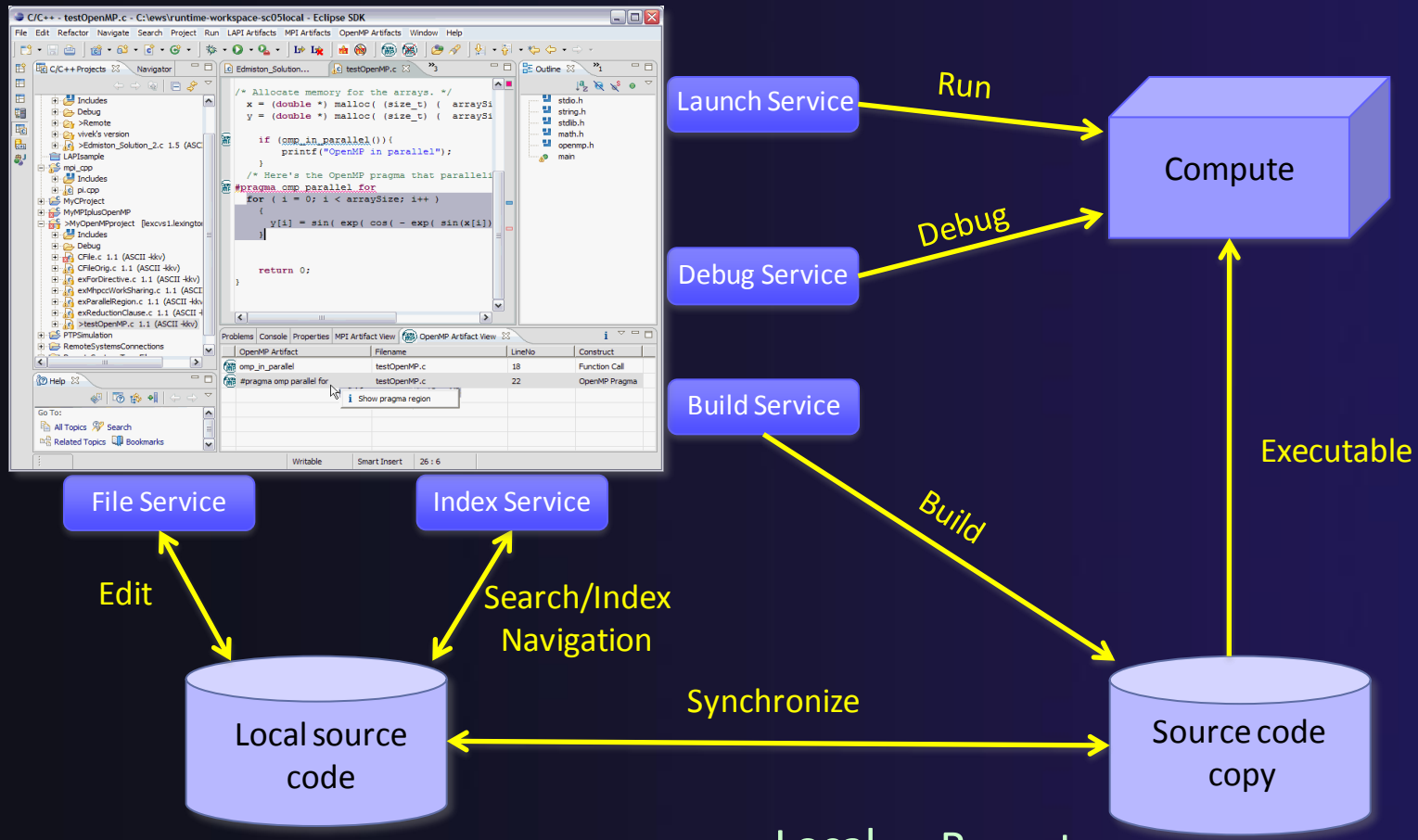


Blue Waters Enhancements

- **Blue Waters:** Cray XE6/XK7 at NCSA
- PTP did not work with Crays "out of the box"
  - Could not submit jobs with appropriate aprun options
  - Could not monitor status of compute nodes
  - Could not set environment modules for build
  - Did not recognize Cray, PGI compilers' errors messages
  - Did not support OpenACC
  - …
- Less than 6 months to fix these for PTP 6.0 (!)

Integrated OpenACC documentation and PLDT support

(added for BW)

Documentation also available for MPI, OpenMP

test1.f90

```
16 !$acc parallel loop
17   do i = 1, 1000
18     c(:,:) = (a(:,:) + b(:,:)) / 2.d0
19     a(:,:) = (a(:,:) + c(:,:)) / 2.d0
20     b(:,:) = (b(:,:) + c(:,:)) / 2.d0
21   end do
22 !$acc end parallel loop
```

Problems | Fortran Declaration

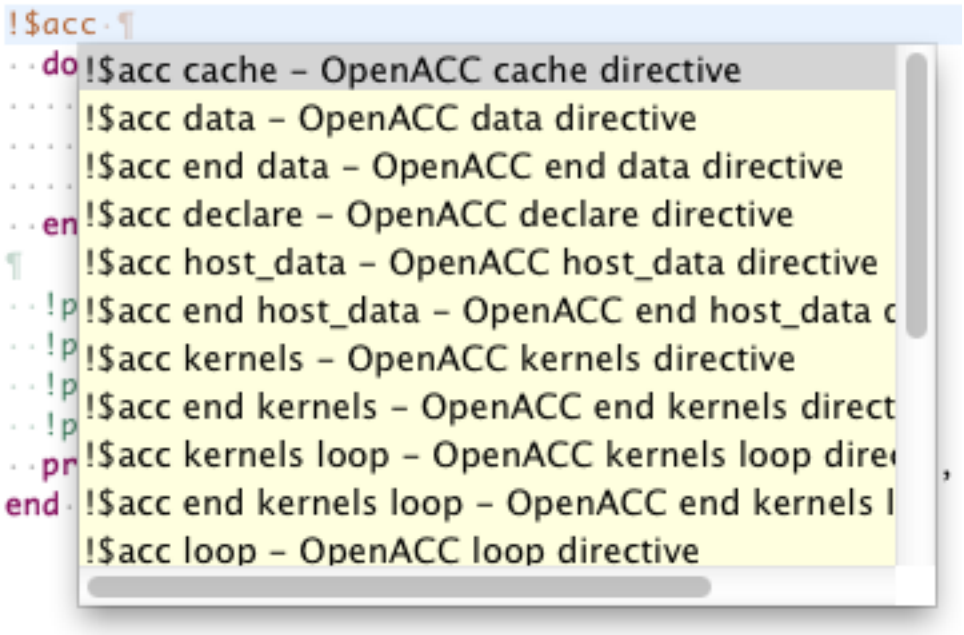
OpenACC™ parallel directive

Delineates a block of code that will be executed on an accelerator device.

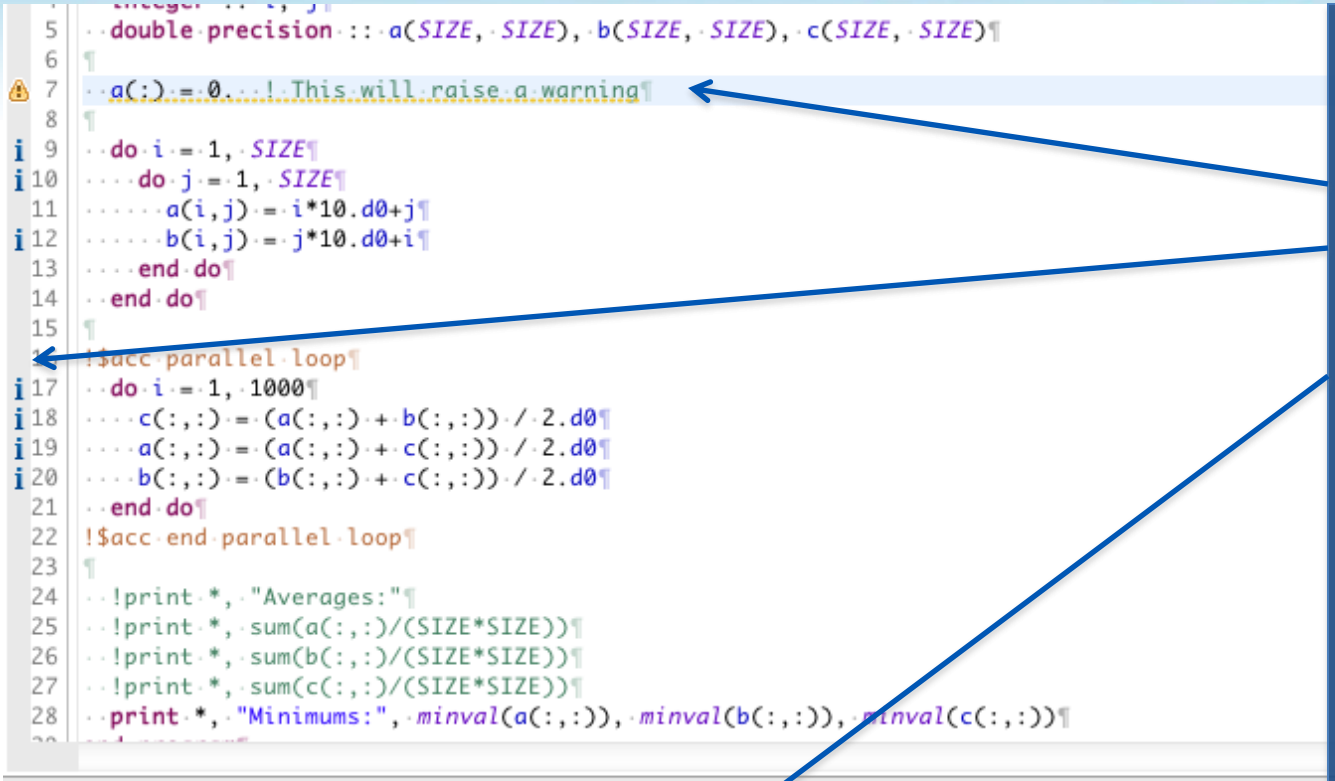
```
!$acc parallel [clause [, clause ...]]
  block
!$acc end parallel
```

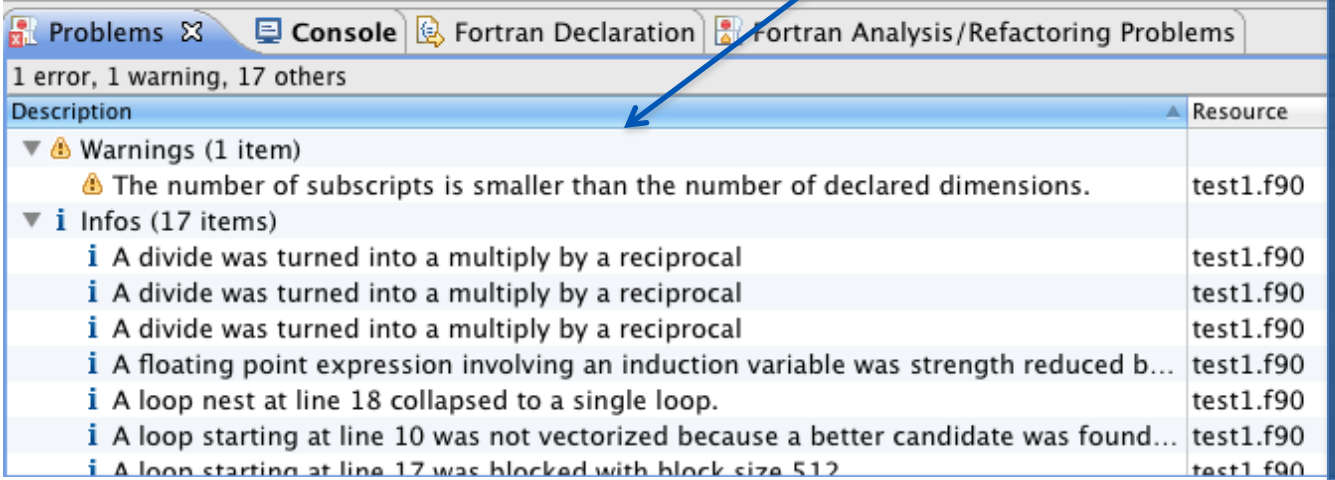
```
#pragma acc parallel [clause [, clause ...]]
  block
```

Supported clauses are **if, async, num_gangs, num_workers, vector_length, reduction, copy, copyin, copyout, create, present, present_or_copy, present_or_copyin, present_or_copyout, present_or_create, deviceptr, private, firstprivate.**



Code completion for OpenACC directives (added for BW)





After the build, compiler errors, warnings, and loopmark information are shown in the Problems view and source code editor

(Cray, PGI support added for BW)

Resources | Application | Arguments | Environment | Synchronize | Common

Resource Manager: ESS – Batch (XE)

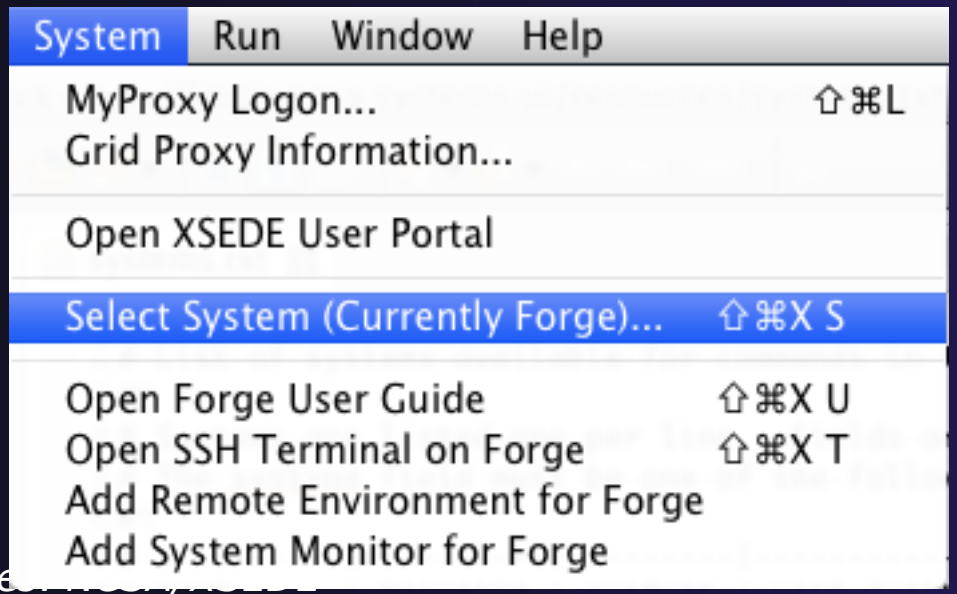
Basic PBS Settings | Import PBS Script

Name	Value	Description
Total MPI Tasks:	32	Each XE6 node has two AMD Interlagos CPUs for a total of 32 integer cores and 16 floating point units per node. Therefore, the product of the number of MPI tasks per node and the number of OpenMP threads per task must be less than or equal to 32 (or 16 if running in single-stream mode). The number of MPI tasks per node must not exceed the total number of MPI tasks.
MPI Tasks per Node:	32	
OpenMP Threads per Process:		
Run in Dual-Stream Mode:	☑	XE6 nodes are normally run in "dual-stream mode," where every integer core is allocated one task (i.e., one MPI task or one OpenMP thread). However, this means that every two tasks share a floating point unit. Some floating-point-intensive computations may need to run in "single-stream mode," where every other integer core is idle but every task has exclusive access to a floating point unit.
Job Name:	ptp_job	The name assigned to the job by the qsub or qalter command.
Account:		Account to which to charge this job.
Queue:		Designation of the queue to which to submit the job.
Total Memory Needed:		Maximum amount of memory used by all concurrent processes in the job.
Wallclock Time:	00:30:00	Maximum amount of real time during which the job can be in the running state.
Send E-mail:		
When to Send E-mail:		Whether e-mail sh

Graphical interface for launching a job (customized for BW)

Additional Plug-ins from NCSA

- NCSA publishes additional plug-ins can be added onto an existing PTP installation
  - **http://forecaster.ncsa.uiuc.edu/help/index.jsp**
- Contribute a **System** menu to the menu bar with XSEDE- and NCSA-specific commands



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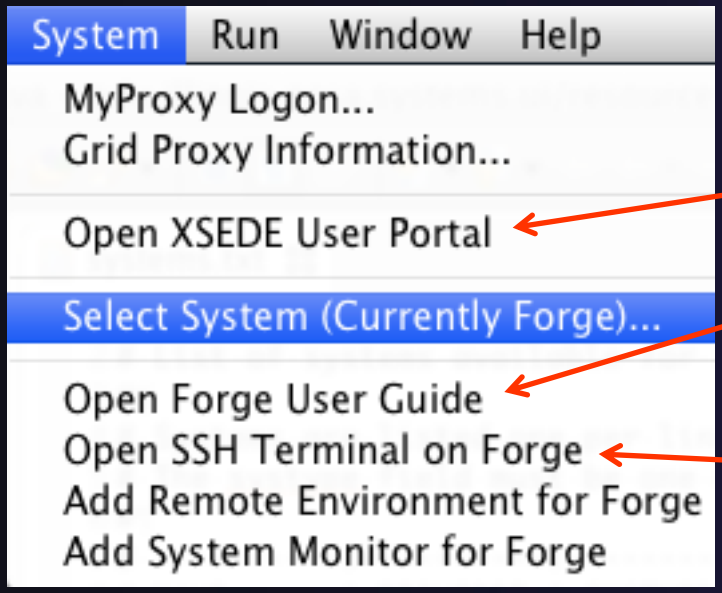

- Open Web content in Eclipse:
  - **Open XSEDE User Portal**
  - **Open User Guide** for a machine
- Open an SSH terminal (as an Eclipse view)

Eclipse-integrated SSH terminals are provided by the Remote System Explorer (RSE), one of the features that is included in the Eclipse for Parallel Application Developers package.

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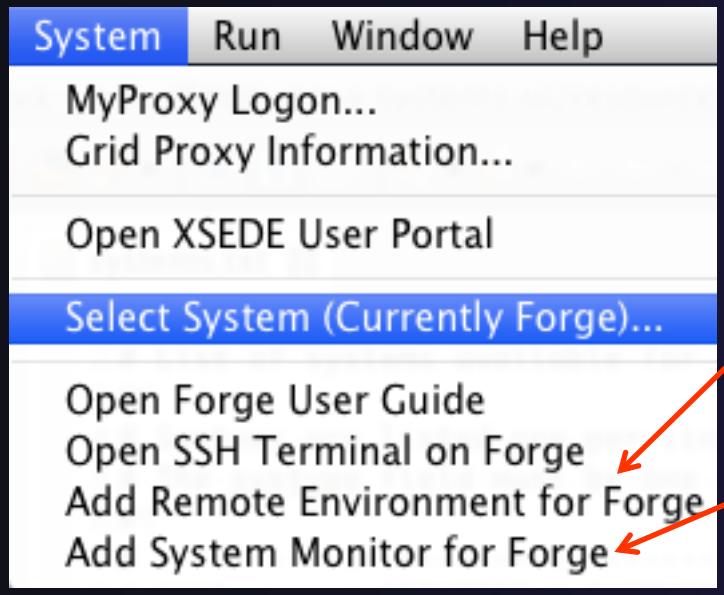

- Shortcuts for common PTP tasks:
  - **Add Remote Environment** adds a Remote Tools connection for a particular machine
  - **Add System Monitor** opens the System Monitoring perspective and begins monitoring a particular machine

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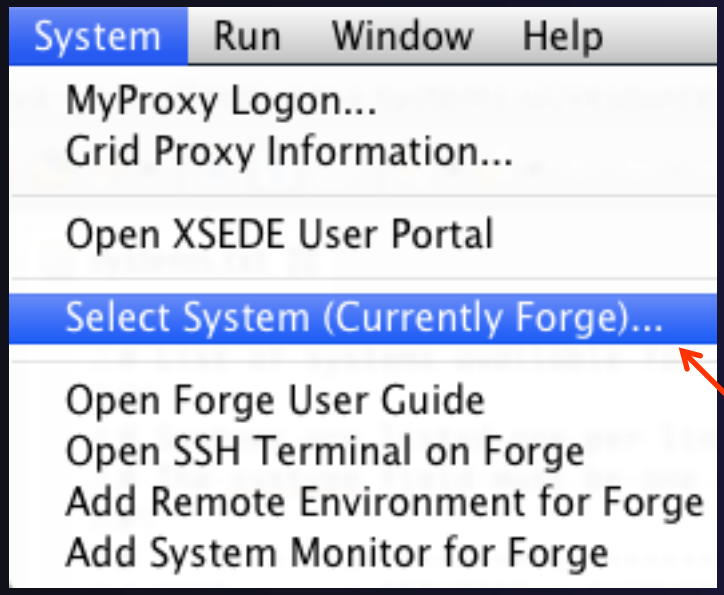

- The plug-in is preconfigured with information about XSEDE and NCSA resources
- The bottom four commands generally prompt for a system
- **Select System** can be used to eliminate this prompt, so these commands always act on a particular system

MyProxy Logon

- **MyProxy Logon** allows you to authenticate with a MyProxy server
  - Often **myproxy.teragrid.org**
- It stores a "credential," which is usually valid for 12 hours
- During these 12 hours, SSH connections to XSEDE resources will not require a password; they can use the stored credential
  - However, you **must** enter the correct username for that machine!

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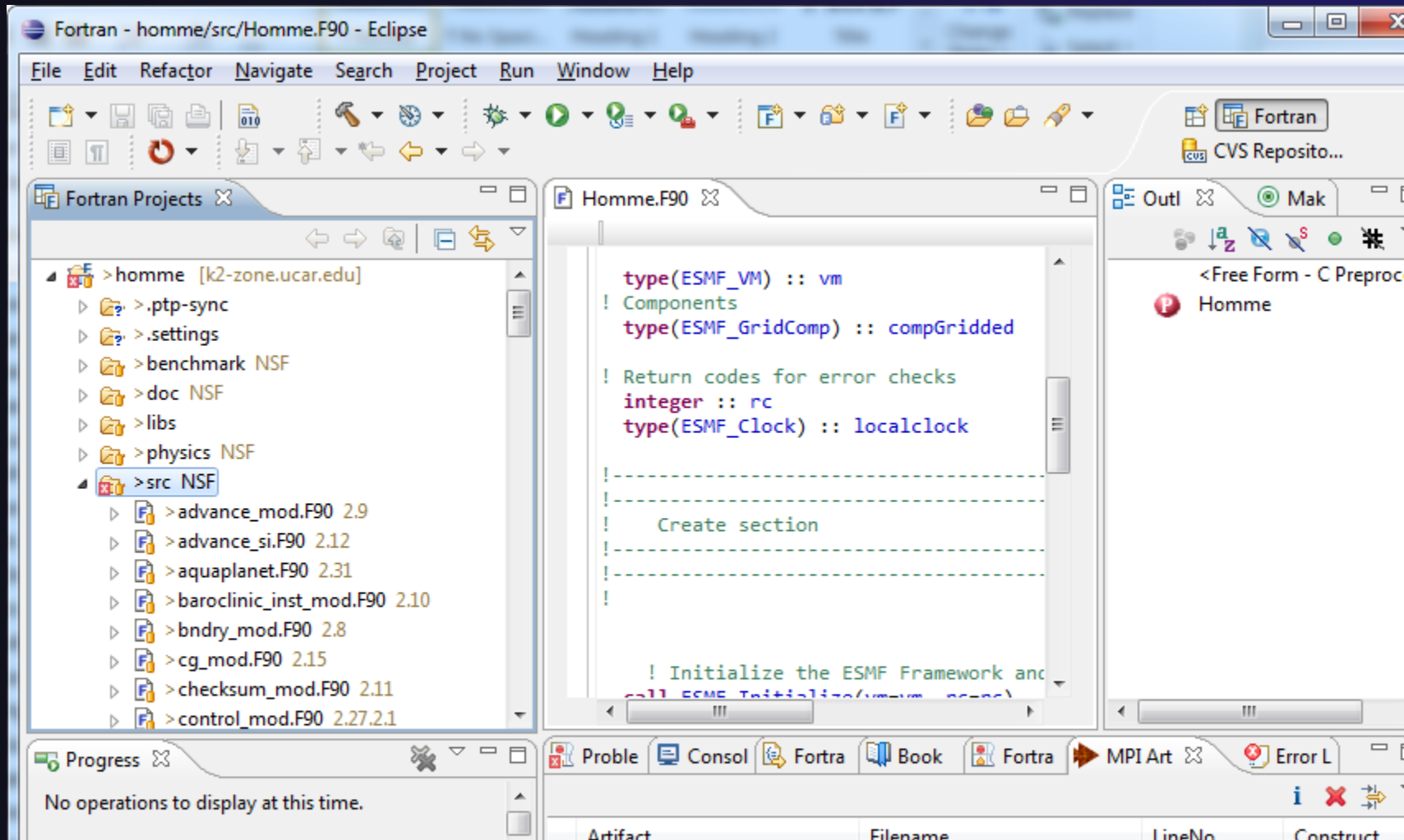

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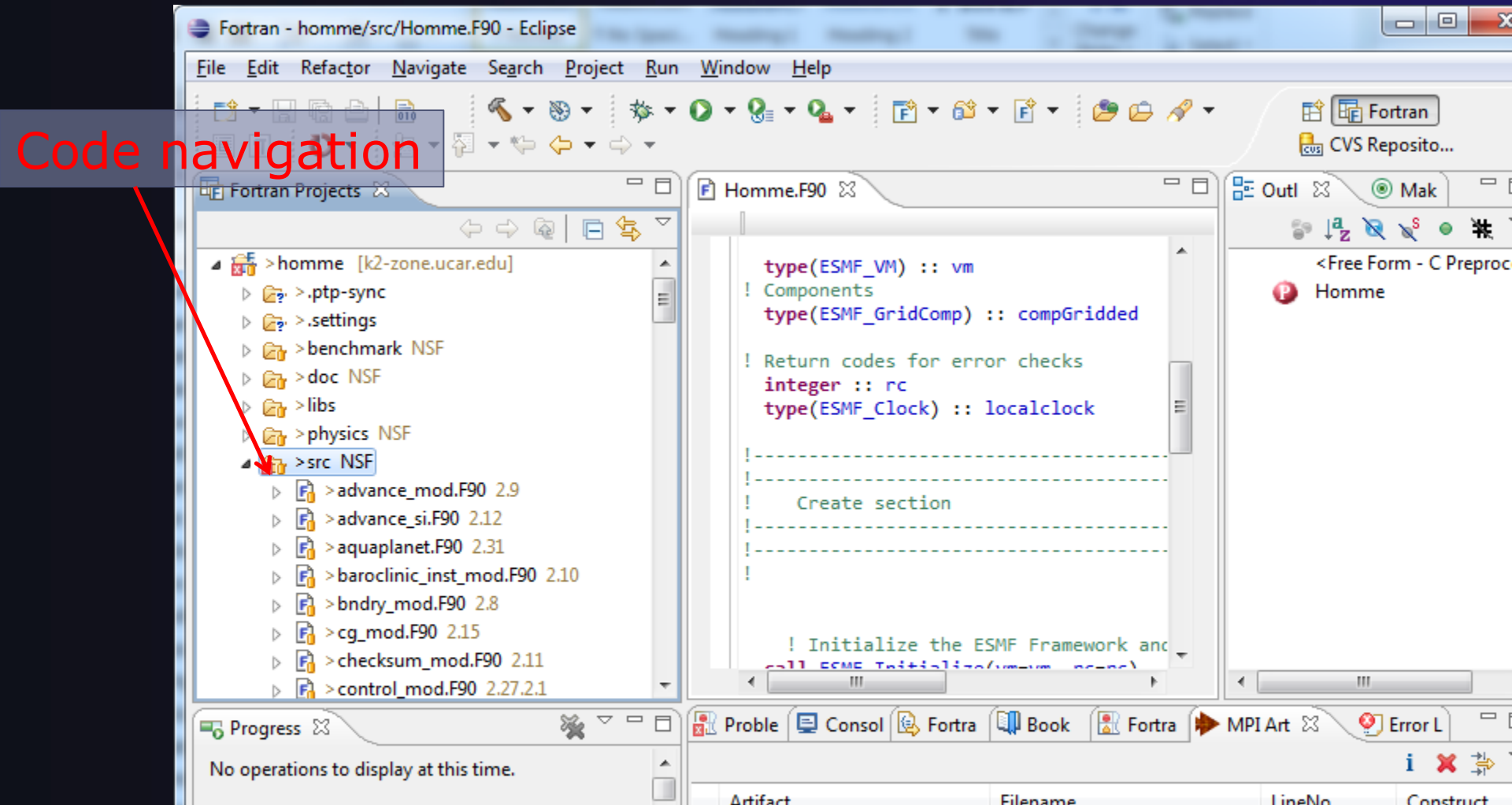

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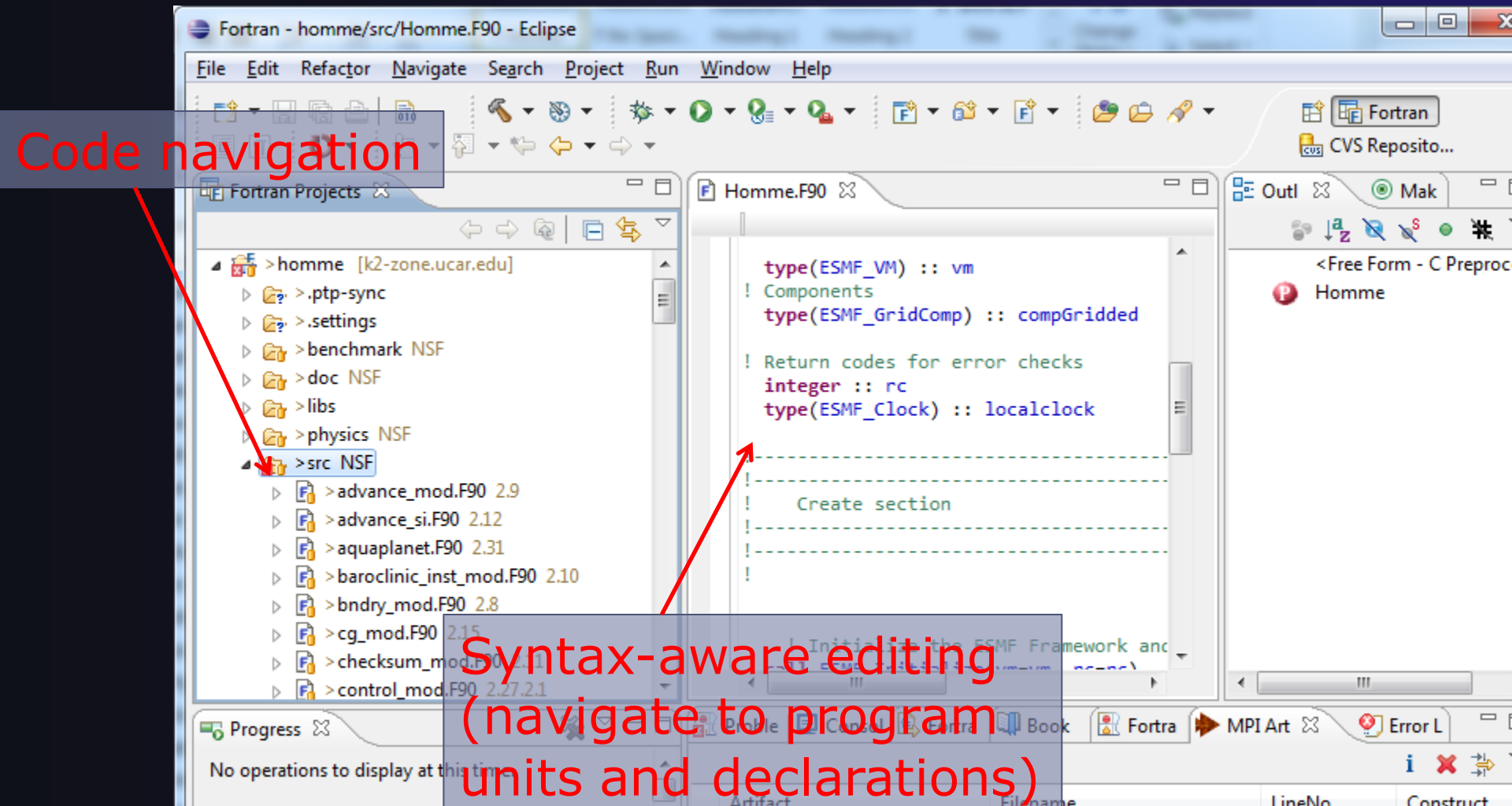

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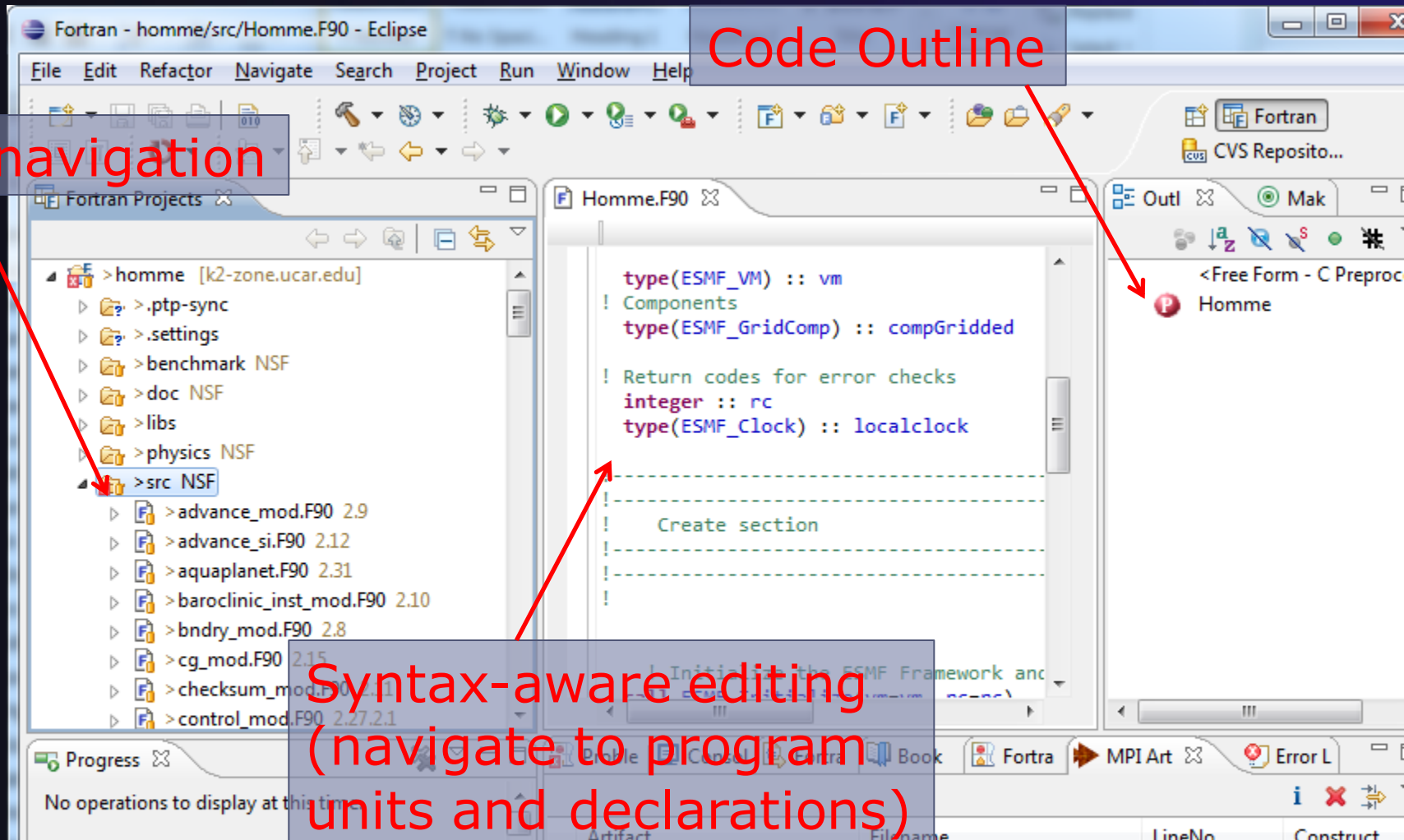

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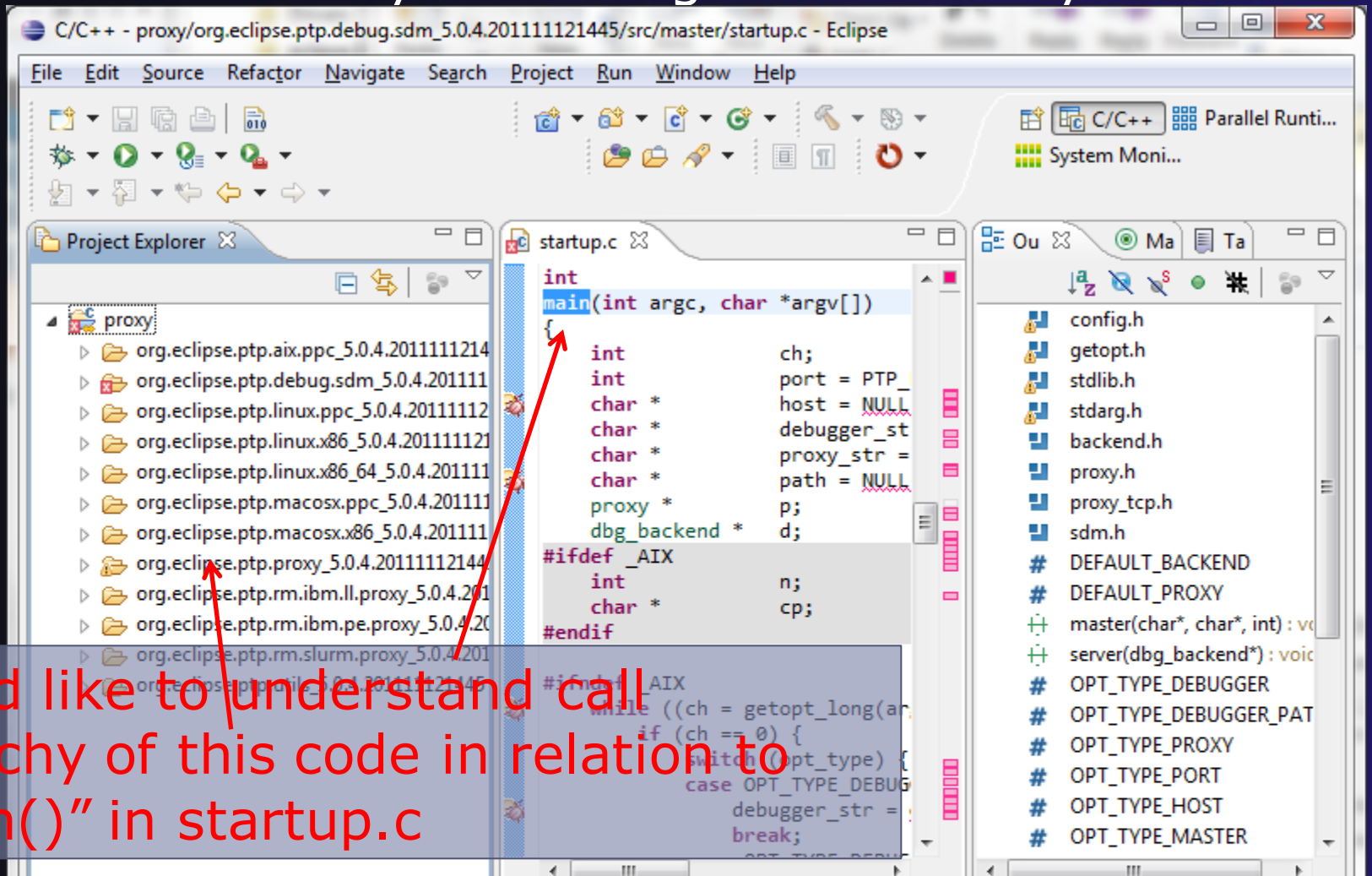
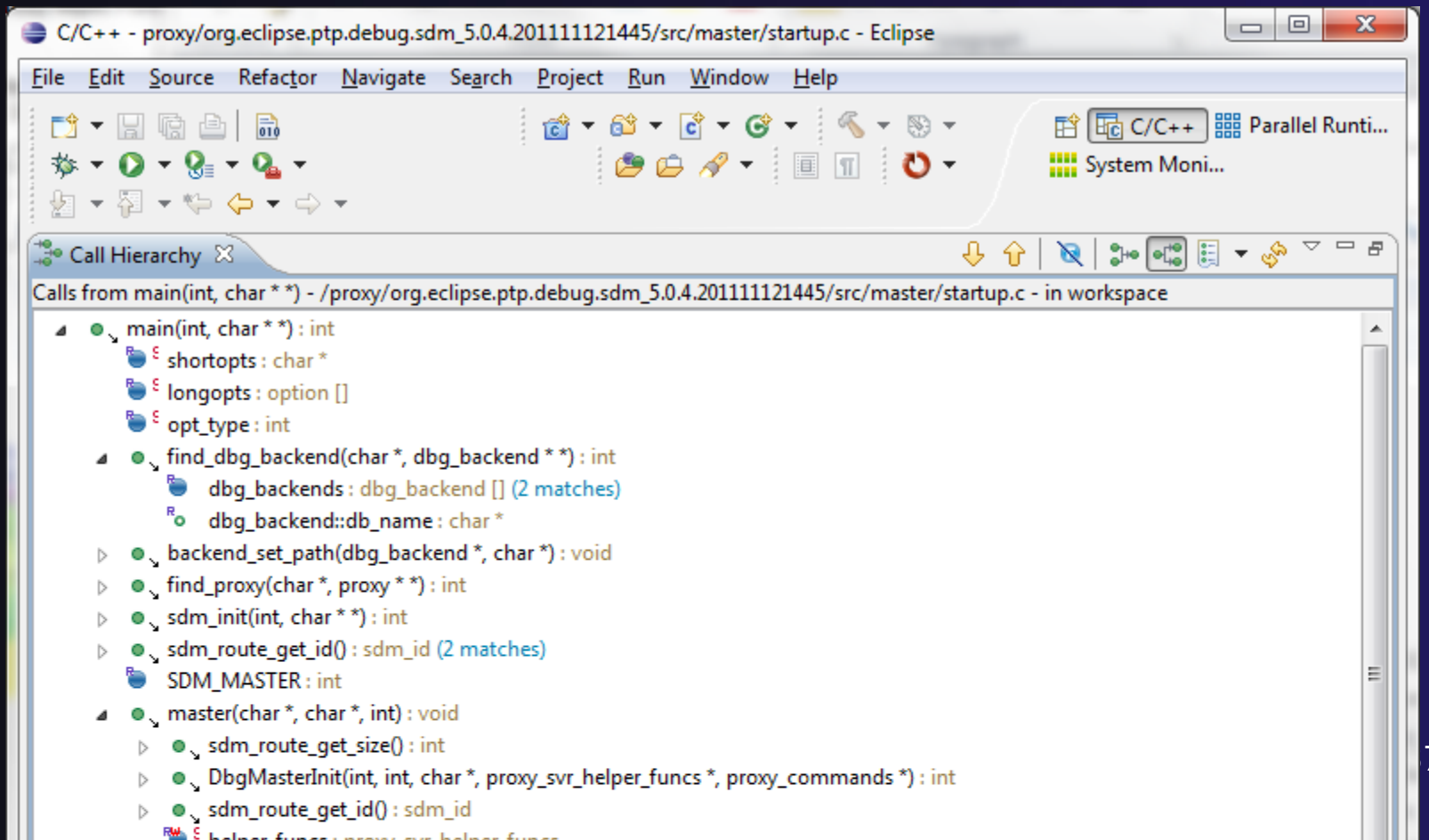
- Code visibility: deducing call hierarchy



Software Engineering: Call Hierarchy (C/C++)

- After selecting main, right click and select <Open Call Hierarchy>



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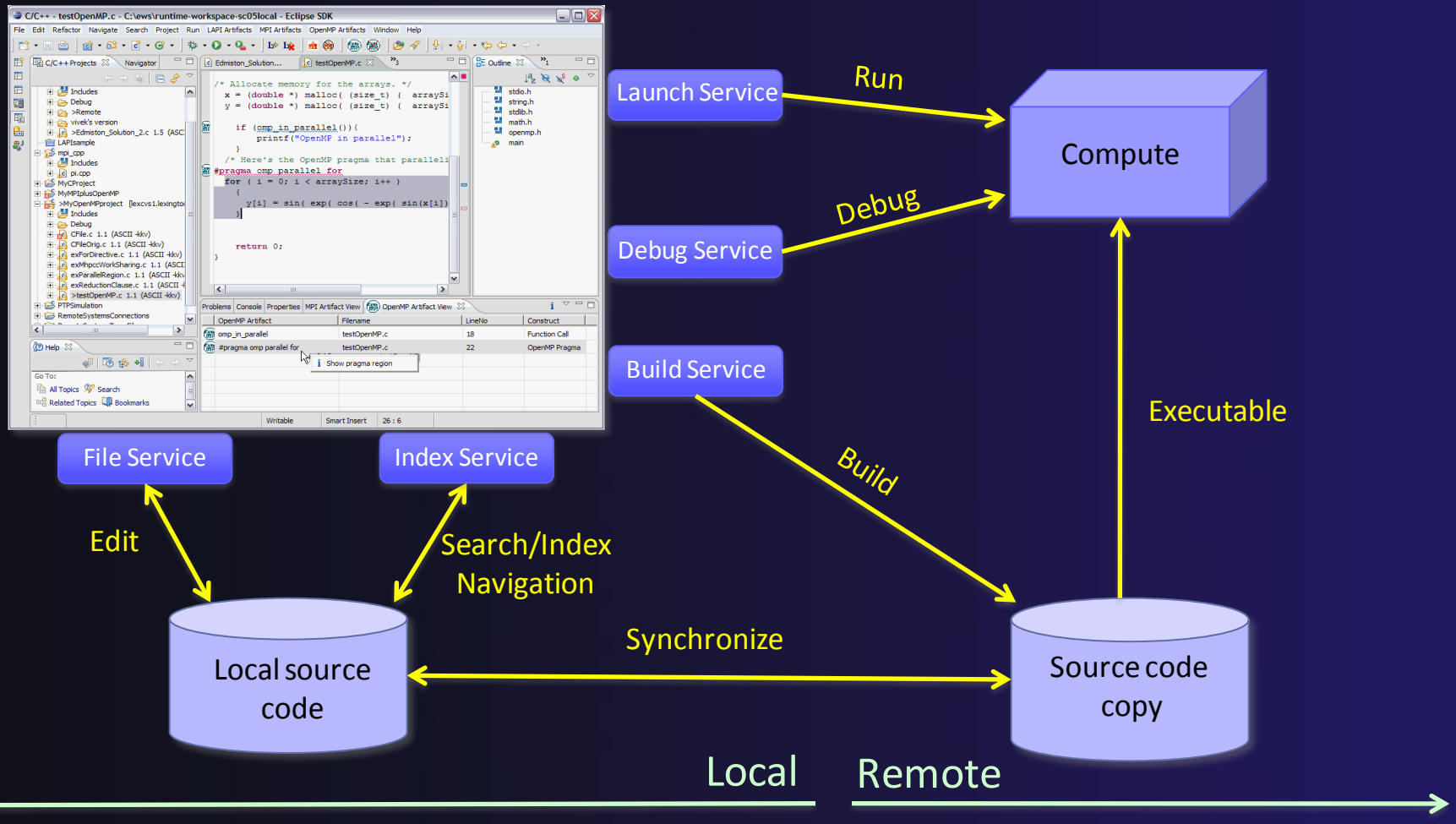
Multi-machine build management

- Local
  - Source is located on local machine, builds happen locally
- Synchronized
  - Source is local, then synchronized with remote machine(s)
  - Building and launching happens remotely (can also happen locally)
- Remote
  - Source is located on remote machine(s), build and launch takes place on remote machine(s)

Synchronized Projects



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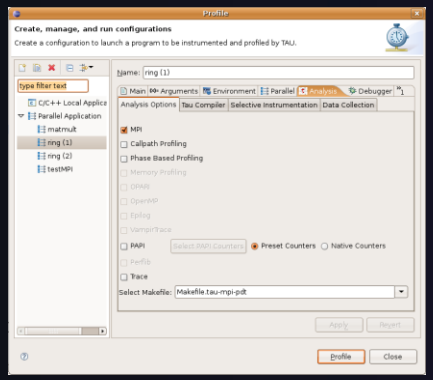
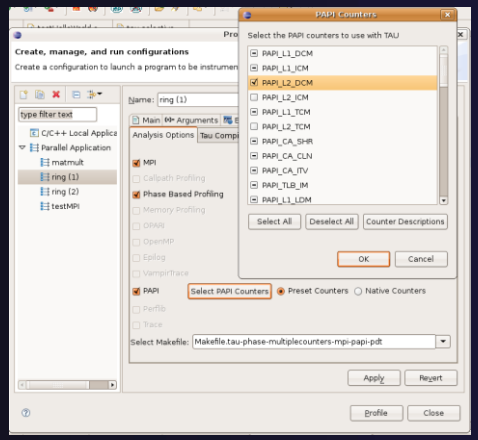
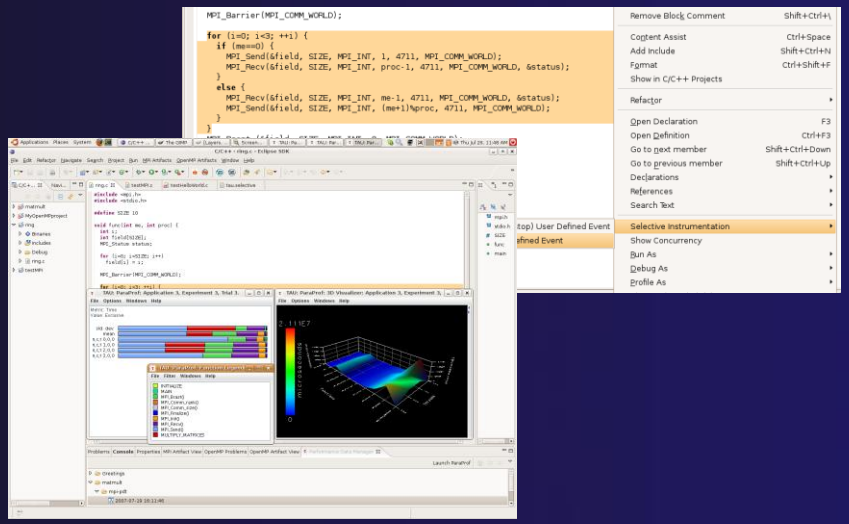
Performance Tuning: PTP TAU plug-ins

http://www.cs.uoregon.edu/research/tau

- TAU (Tuning and Analysis Utilities)
- First implementation of External Tools Framework (ETFw)
- Eclipse plug-ins wrap TAU functions, make them available from Eclipse
- Full GUI support for the TAU command line interface
- Performance analysis integrated with development environment







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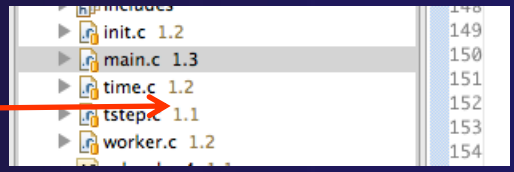
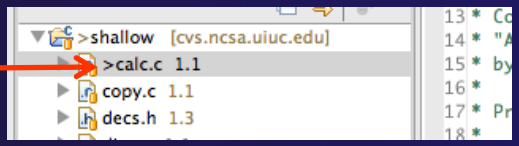
Source Code Control: "Team" Features

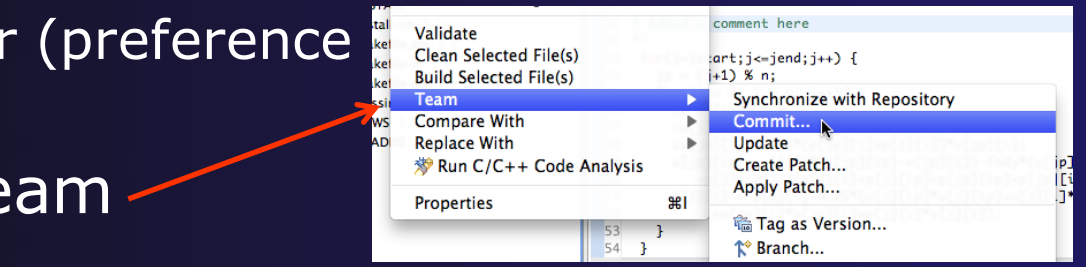
- Eclipse supports integration with multiple version control systems (VCS)
  - CVS, SVN, Git, and others
  - Collectively known as "Team" services
- Many features are common across VCS
  - Compare/merge
  - History
  - Check-in/check-out
- Some differences
  - Version numbers
  - Branching

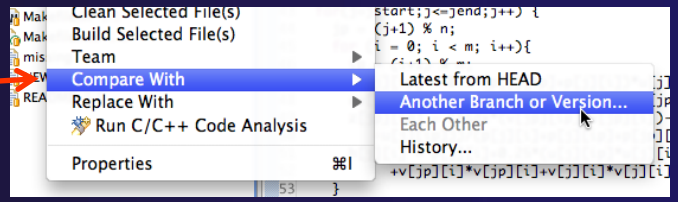
CVS Features

- Shows version numbers next to each resource
- Marks resources that have changed
  - Can also change color (preference option)
- Context menu for Team operations
- Compare to latest, another branch, or history
- Synchronize whole project (or any selected resources)









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Issue Tracking

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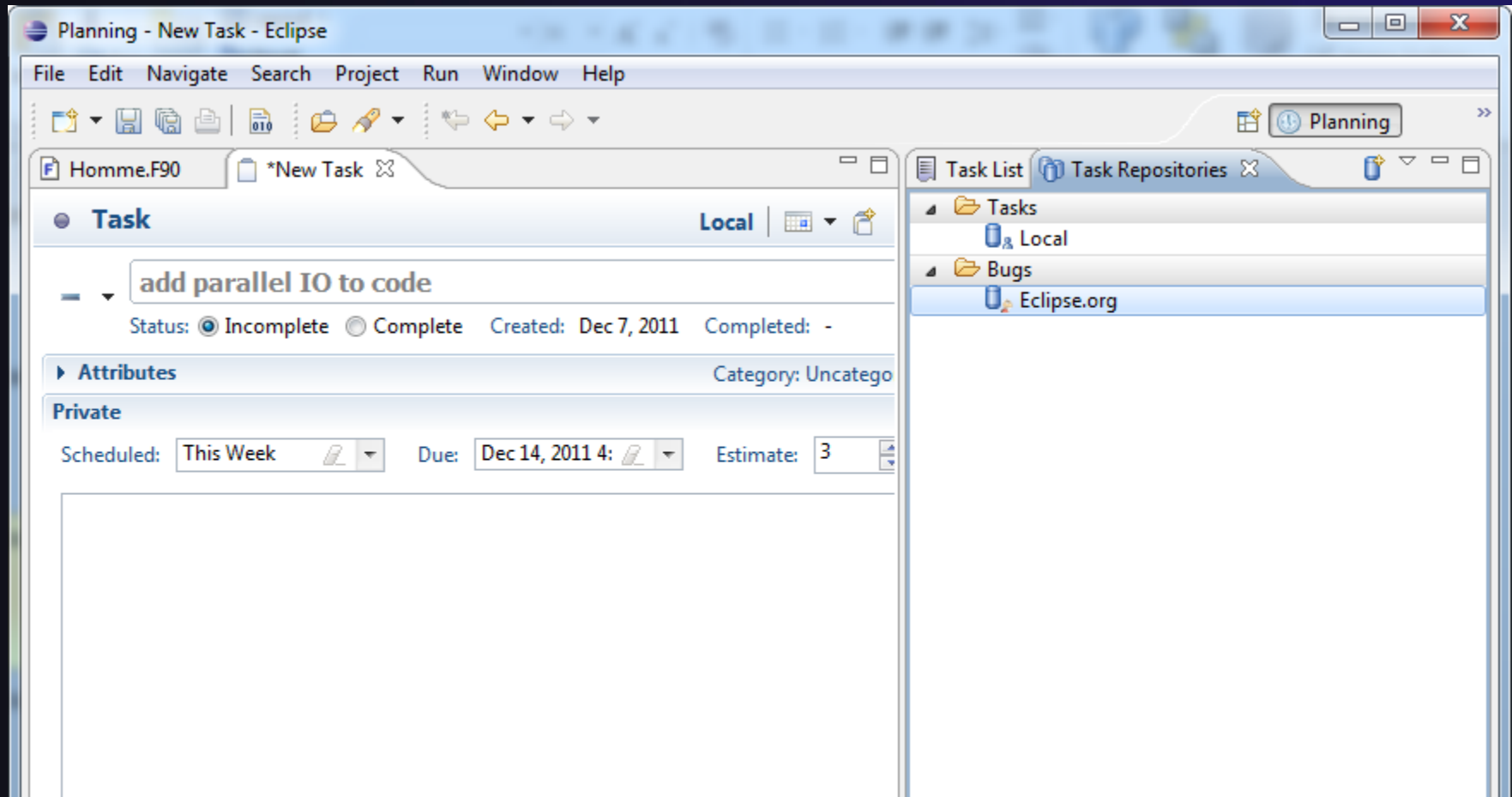
  - Tracks tasks, links to source and bug repositories



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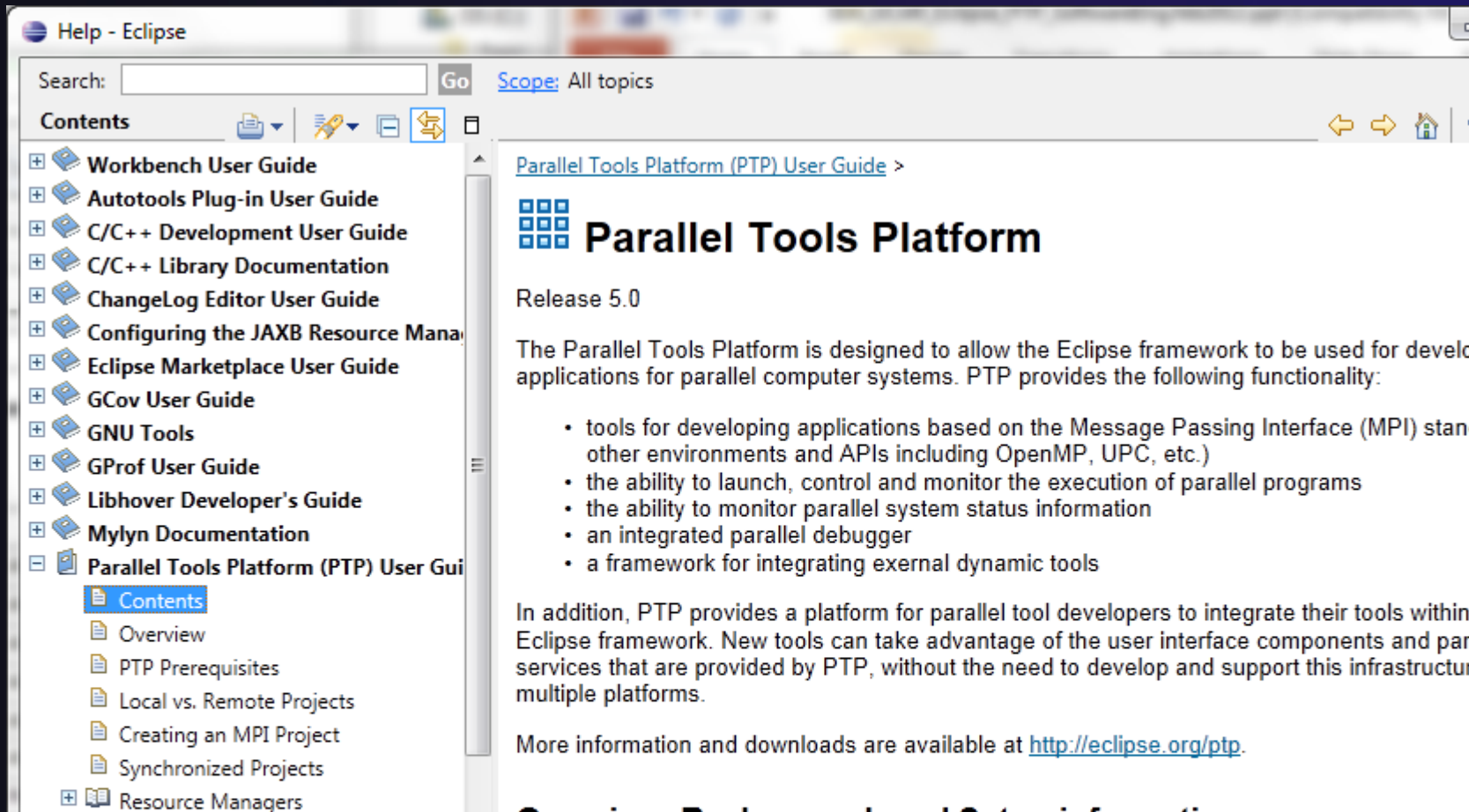

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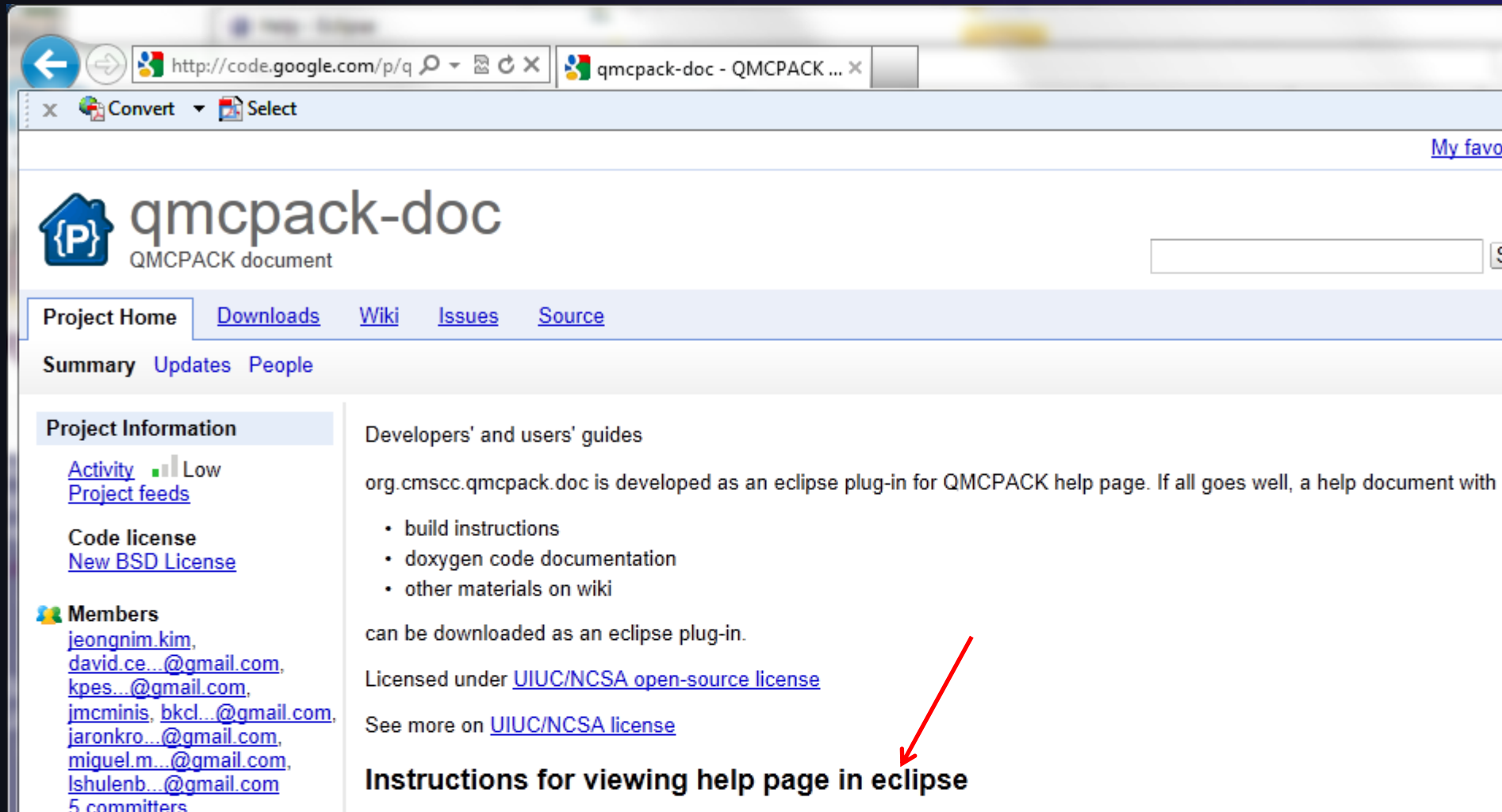

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  - Articles and other documents
    - http://wiki.eclipse.org/PTP/articles
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  - User's manuals
    - http://wiki.eclipse.org/PTP/photran/documentation

Mailing Lists

- PTP Mailing lists
  - Major announcements (new releases, etc.) - low volume
    - http://dev.eclipse.org/mailman/listinfo/ptp-announce
  - User discussion and queries - medium volume
    - http://dev.eclipse.org/mailman/listinfo/ptp-user
  - Developer discussions - high volume
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Getting Involved

- See http://eclipse.org/ptp
- Read the developer documentation on the wiki
- Join the mailing lists
- Attend the monthly developer meetings
  - Conf Call Monthly: Second Tuesday, 1:00 pm ET
  - Details on the PTP wiki
- Attend the monthly user meetings
  - Teleconference Monthly
  - Each 4th Wednesday, 2:00 pm ET
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PTP will only succeed with your participation!