

Powerful UI Framework = Eclipse RCP a sub-set of Eclipse Platform

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Select a Framework for your App

- Focus on your domain rather than infrastructure -more logic programmin
- Help to reduce time of development, reuse constructions and enhance
- Improve the user experience
- Support componentization for adaptation to changing requirements
- Have a good level of control and responsibility when writing an app
- Support the framework an active and strong community
- Support the framework a leader in the informatics industrial field

Eclipse Platform Overview -1 eclipse



 Provides building blocks(plug-ins) and a foundation for creating other blocks or tools.

- Plug-ins are independent subsystems that contribute functionality to your application.
- The plug-ins interact together
- Everything in Eclipse is a plug-in (menu, windows, libraries)
- The plug-in is the basic unit in the platform

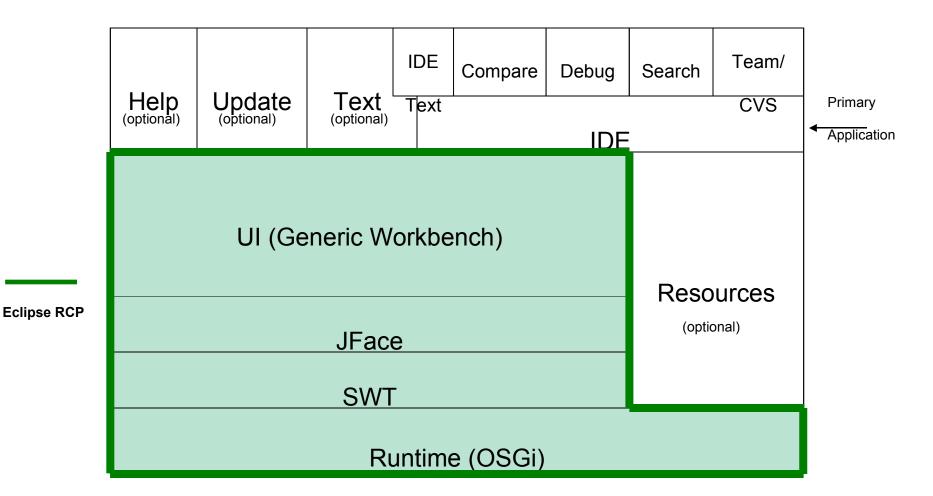
Eclipse Platform Overview -2 eclipse

 The platform provides an inherently extensible application framework to your application, allowing other developers to build in your work.

- Easy deployment and server-centric management
 lower TCO
- The IDE is integrated with the platform and can be extensible (C, PHP, Perl, Cobol, Fortran, y R)
- Is Open Source, free and Java Based

Eclipse Platform Architecture

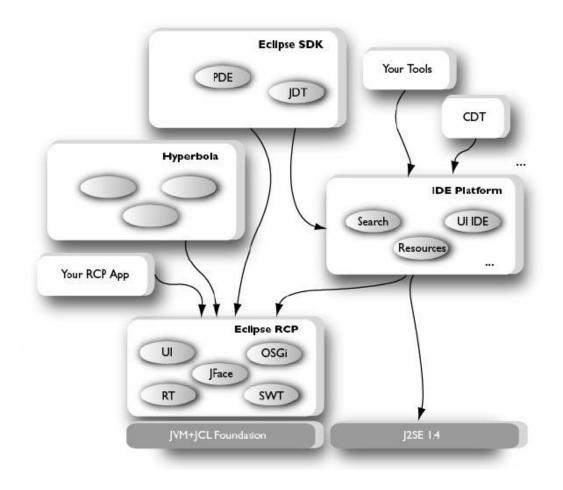




Eclipse RCP Overview

- A subset of the full platform
- For building client applications with Rich functionality
- There are other subsets (EMF, GEF, ..)
- Provide a module reusability(plug-ins) not just class reusability
- Run in multiple platforms (Windows, Linux,..)
- Common interface for apps to reduces user training costs
- The Rich functionality provide are :
 - Intro Support Provides the "welcome experience" for your product
 - Dialogs and Wizards
 - Cheat sheets Guides the user through a series of complex tasks to achieve a goal
 - Eclipse Help Help UI on top of an extensible help content model
 - UI Framework for building forms-based views and editors

Community of Plug-ins



Eclipse RCP UI – The Workbench

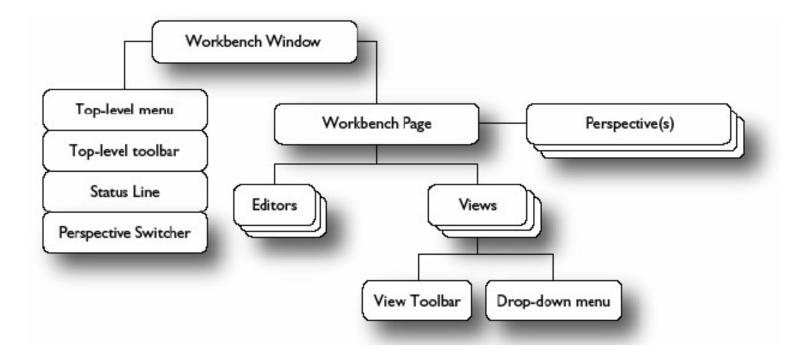
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⇒ Defines reusable and extensible UI metaphors

Provides:
-Views
-Editors
-Action sets
-Perspectives
-Wizards
-Preference pages
-Commands and Key Bindings
-Undo/Redo support
-Presentations and Themes

Is **Dynamic-aware**: responds to registry changes and adds/removes views, action sets, etc. accordingly

Eclipse RCP Model



SWT, for Platform Independent ⇒ To enable platform-independent native widget toolkit

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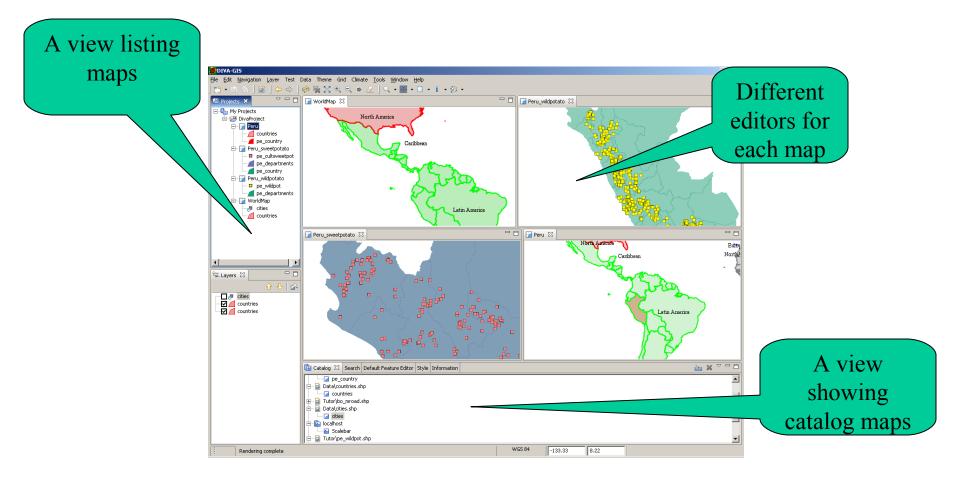


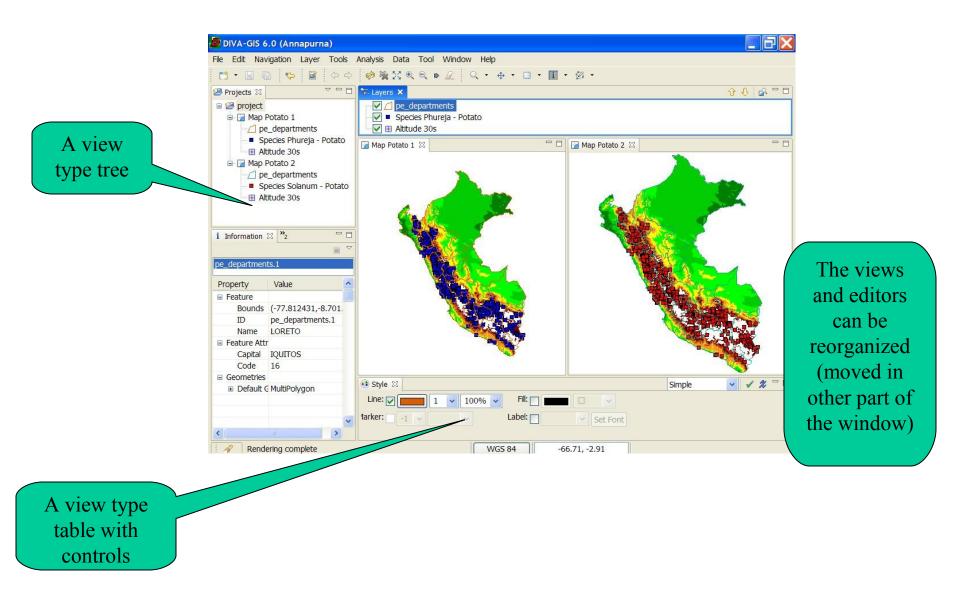
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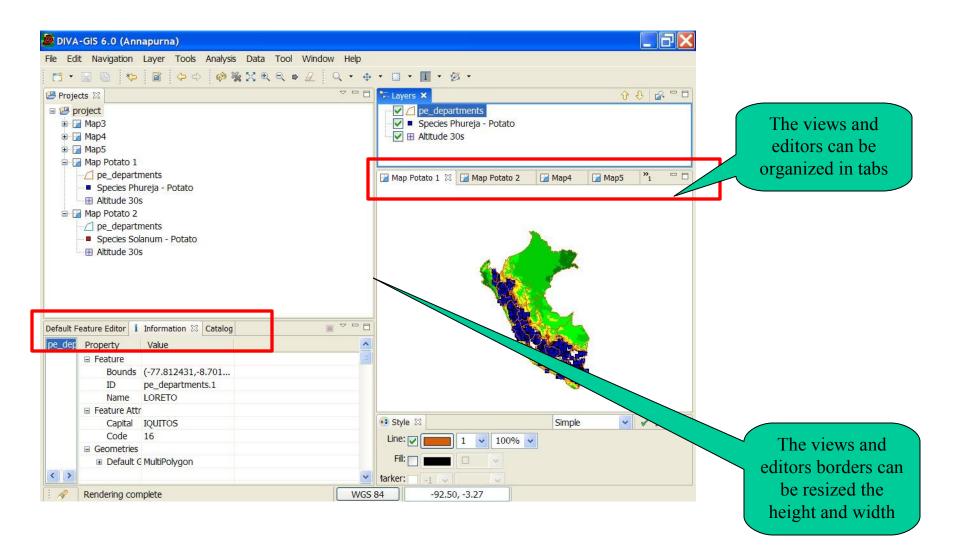


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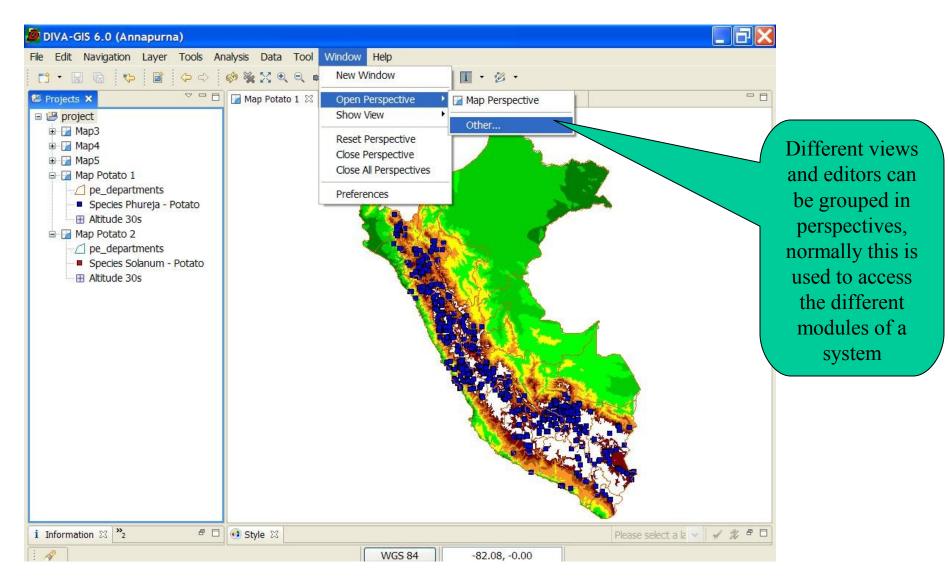
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Deployment and maintenance facilities to reduce cost	Centralized App in a web server	Centralized components with on-line and automatic update to local client
Provide Rich UI features	Hard and long time to implement	Rich with Eclipse RCP, set of components
High-speed interactions users	Is slow, depend of band width and use request and response model	Fast, Is a local execution
Domains, applications and user became more sophisticated or complex	Hard and slow change to support requirements	Rich UI and plug-in model reuse or extend
Take advantage of the local hardware	Less or nothing	All local resources
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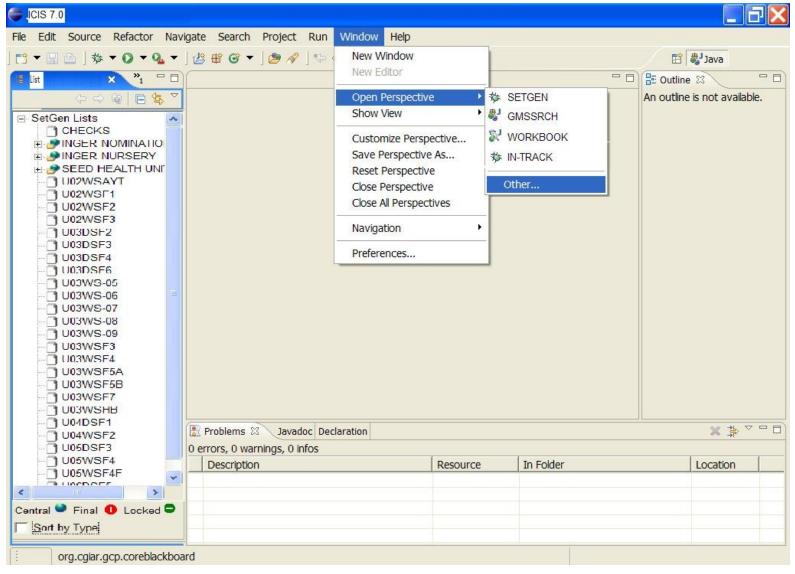




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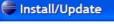
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 - http://eclipse.org/rcp
 - http://eclipse.org/community/rcp.html
 - news://news.eclipse.org/eclipse.platform.rcp
- Eclipse Series books
 - "Eclipse Rich Client Platform" by Jeff McAffer, Jean-Michel Lemieux
 - "The Java Developer's Guide to Eclipse" by Jim d'Anjou et al
 - "SWT: The Standard Widget Toolkit, Vol 1" by Steve Northover, Mike Wilson
 - "Official Eclipse 3.0 FAQs" by John Arthorne and Chris Laffra
- Other recent Eclipse Projects and Proposals (http://eclipse.org/proposals/)
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