
Understand and Use Software Metrics

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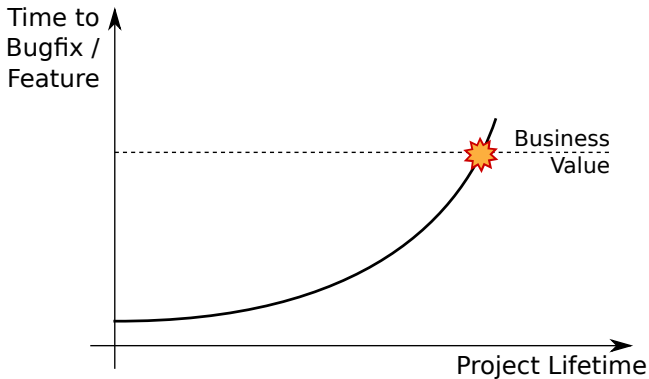
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Why quality?



“A software metric is a measure of some property of a piece of software or its specifications”
(Wikipedia)

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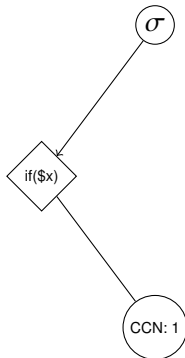
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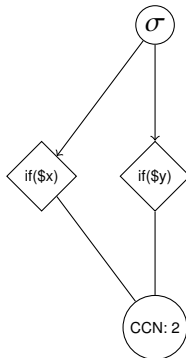
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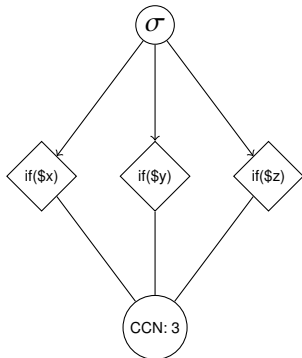
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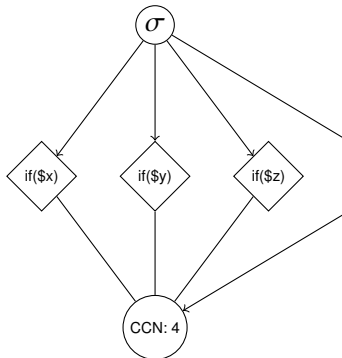
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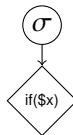
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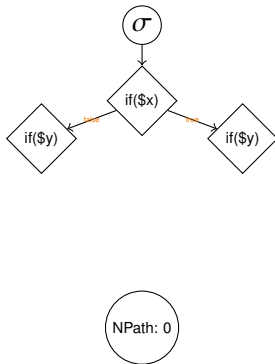
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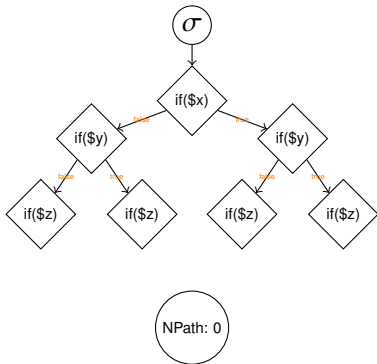
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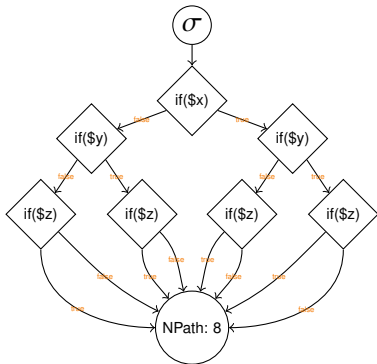
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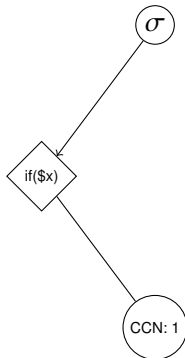
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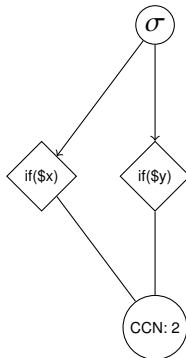
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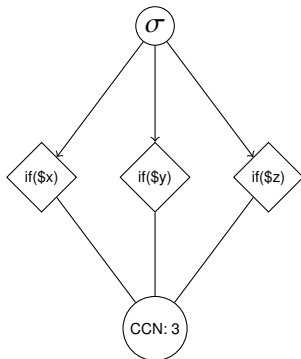
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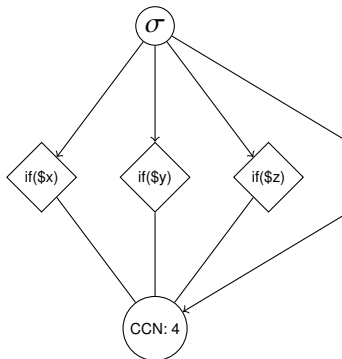
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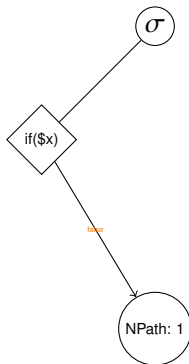
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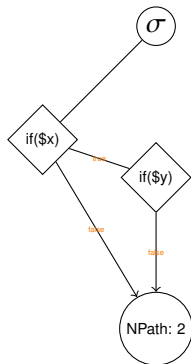
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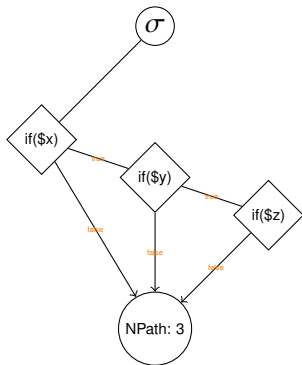
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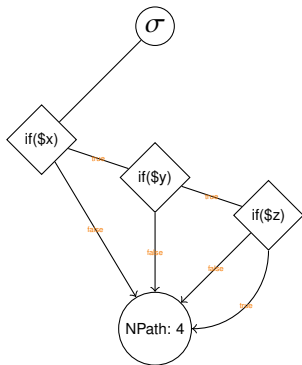
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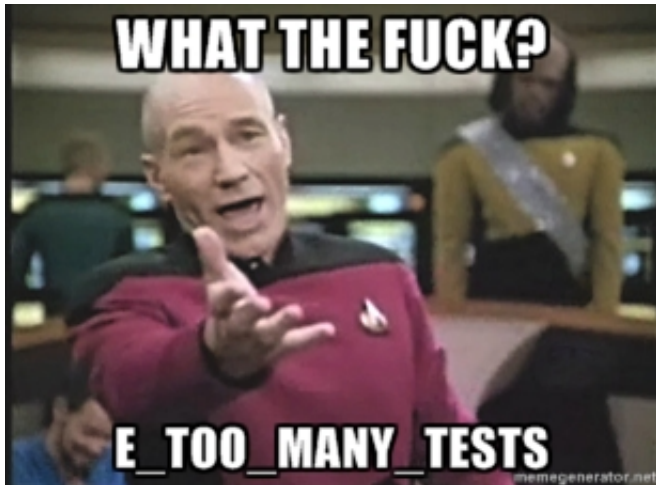
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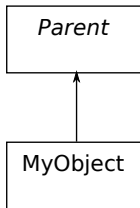
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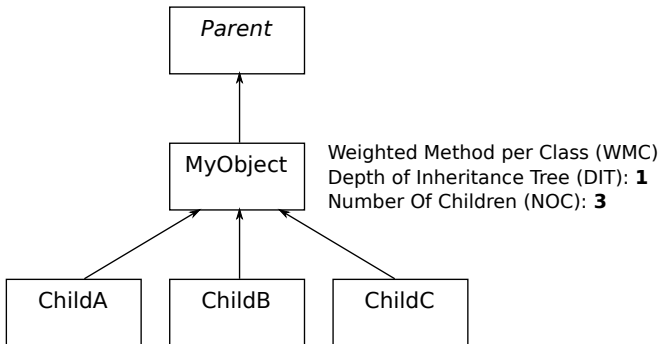
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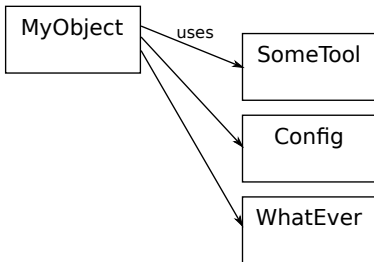
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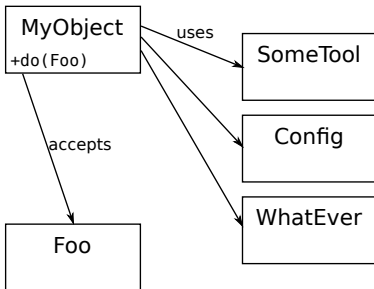
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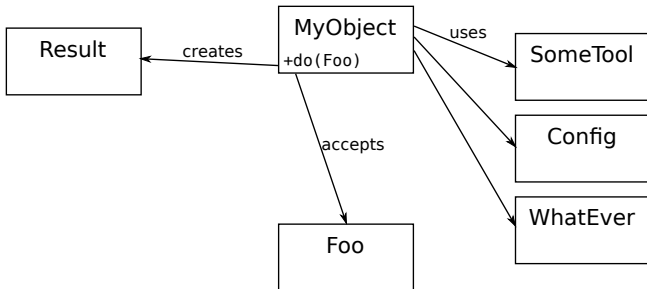
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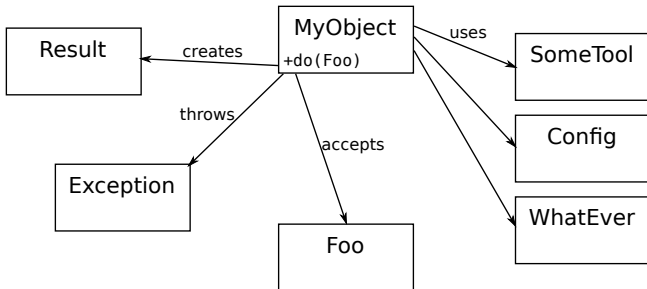
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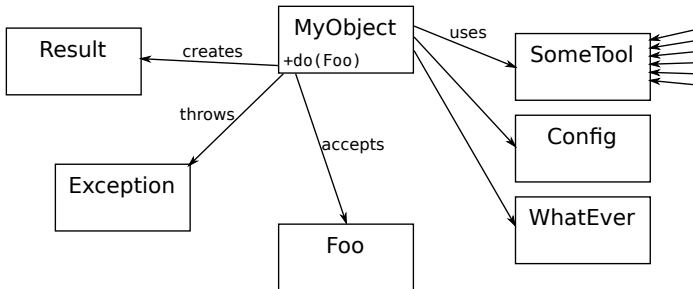
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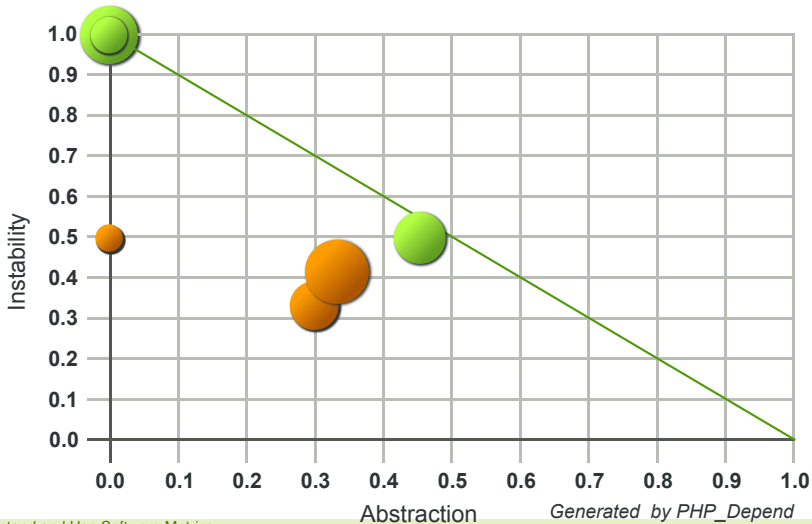
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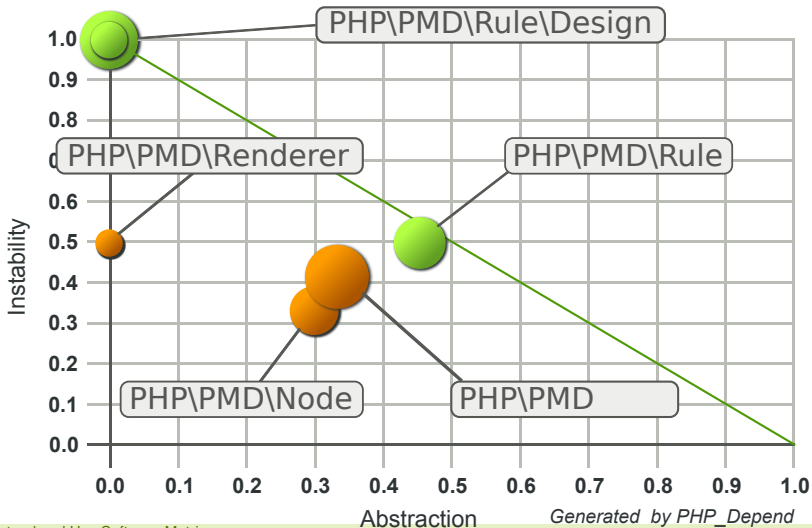
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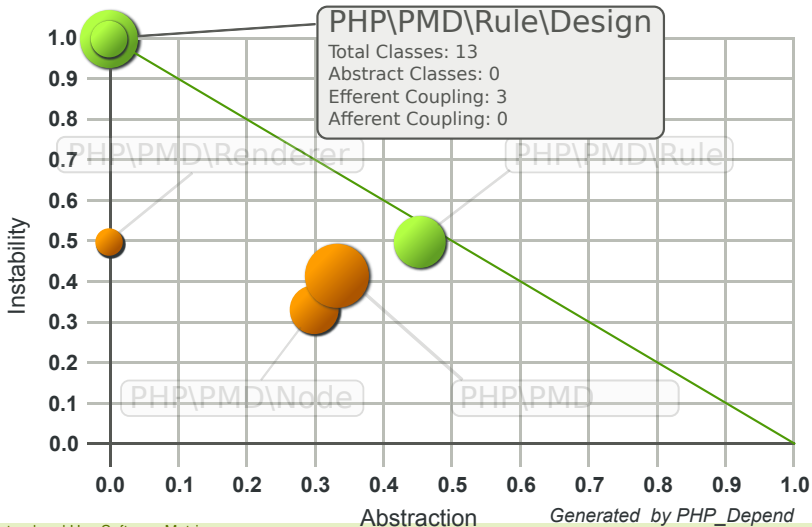
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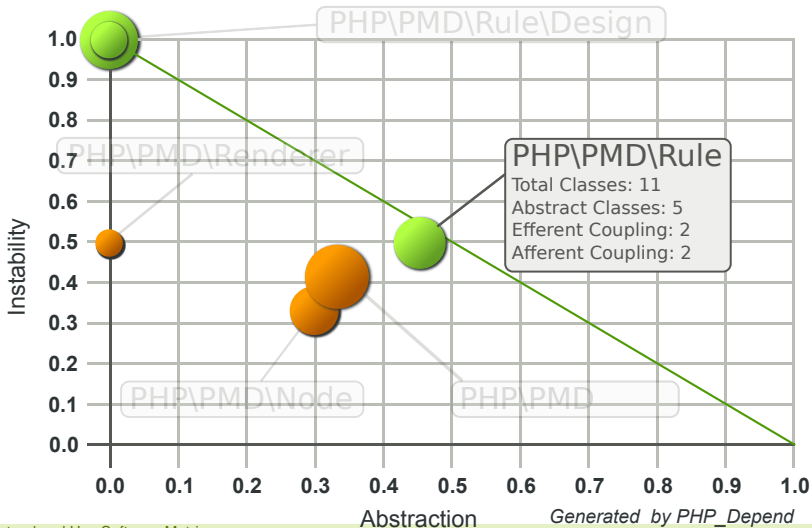
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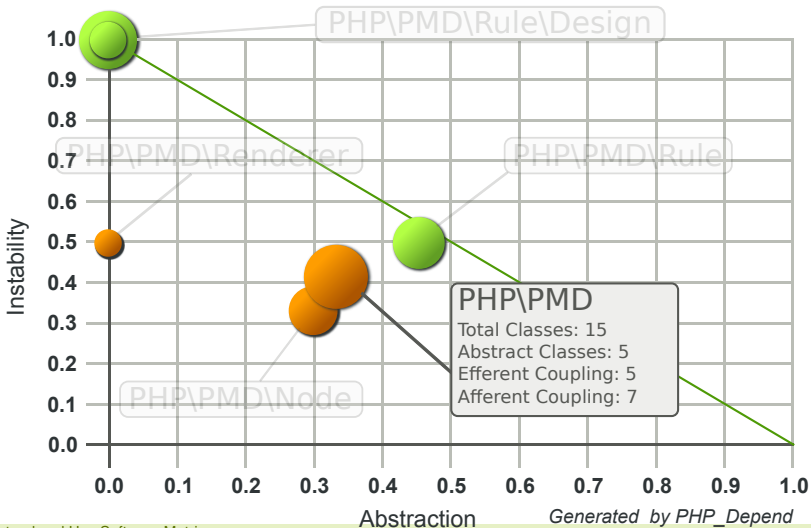
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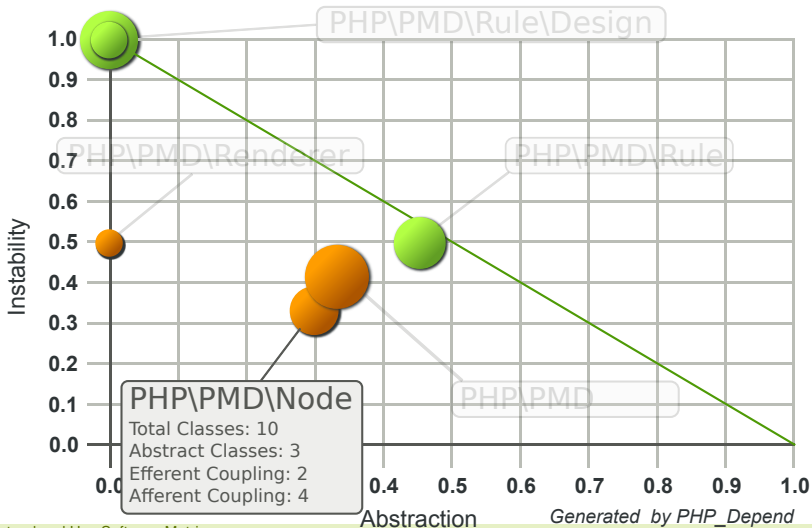
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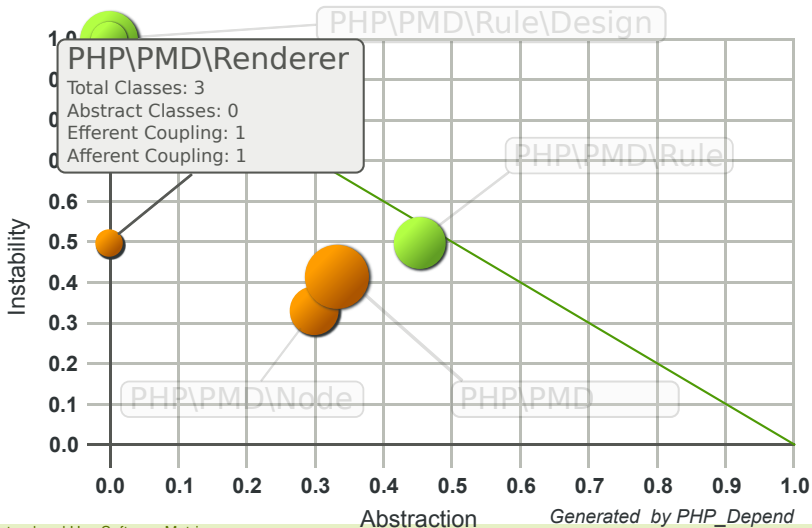
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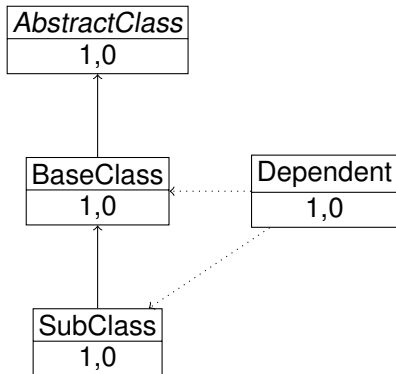
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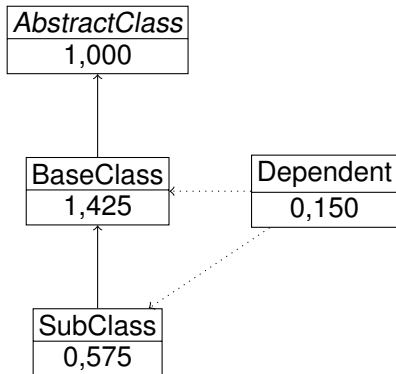
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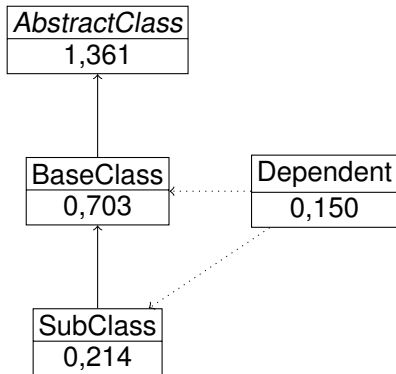
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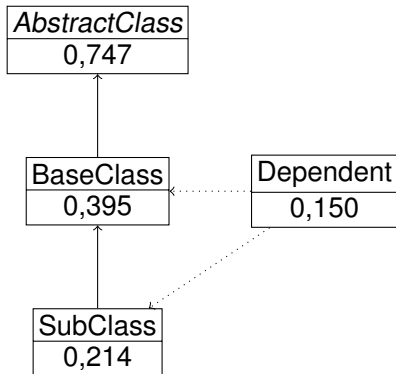
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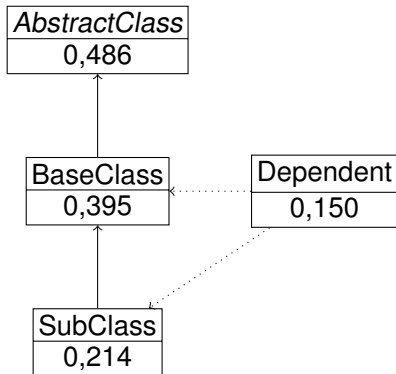
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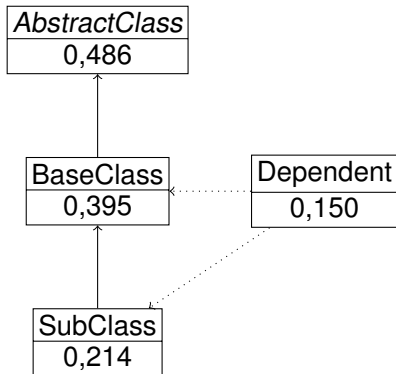
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- ▶ Reverse CodeRank:
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- ▶ PDepend:
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- ▶ PHP Mess Detector (PHPMD):
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- ▶ Qafoo Code Review (CRT):
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