

What is the role of open source in relation to SSR?

gauging interest in future SSAC work

free and open
source software
have “won”

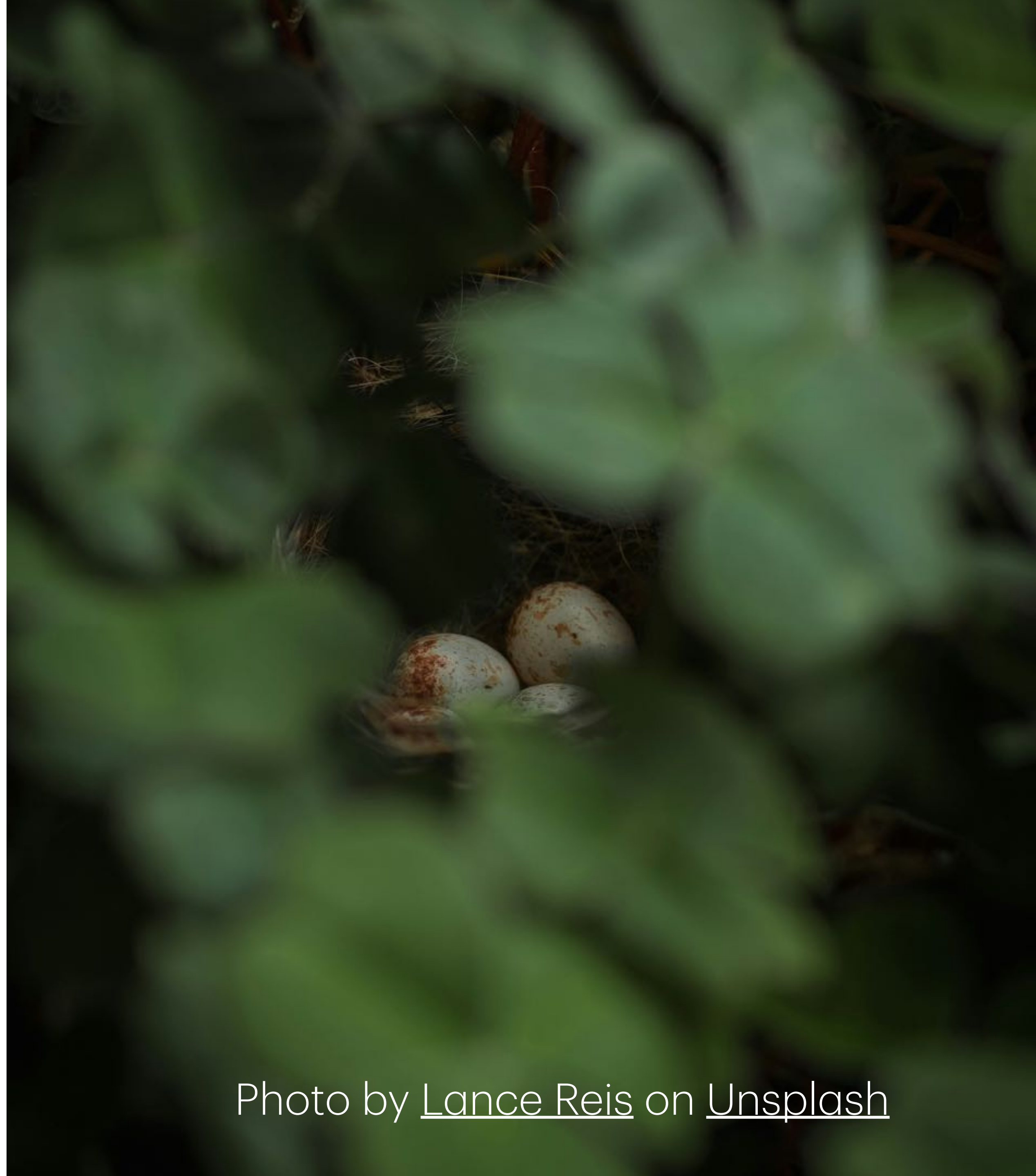
open source is the dominant
software *development* and
supply practice today



Silent, ubiquitous integration into our societies

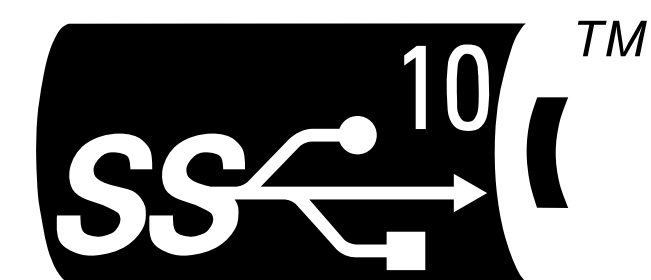
Gone mostly unnoticed by
non-practitioners

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Unintuitive to
most people

open source as a
development & supply
practice



Example intuition

Assuming software has a
~~singular responsible legal entity~~

Example intuition

Assuming ~~contractual relationships~~
between maintainer and user
of open source software

Example intuition

Assuming ~~correlation~~ between
open source software
complexity/criticality/popularity
and maintainer power

Mostly
unregulated
This is changing



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operators,
governments

Controlling for secondary effects in policy is hard

If open source is somehow
“important” in relation to SSR,
we better make that visible



What is the role of open source
in relation to SSR?

Where next?

Who is interested and why?

Settle on audience and the value of our work to them

Define (minimal possible) scope

Decide if this is worthwhile pursuing within SSAC