It Takes a Village

The evolution of the D community
First Forum Posts

Digital Mars D Newsgroups!
- Jan Knepper

D Programming Language spec
- Walter Bright

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DMD Alpha Releases

Dec 09 - v0.00
Dec 10 - v0.01
Dec 16 - v0.02
Dec 19 - v0.03
Dec 23 - v0.04
Dec 28 - v0.07
Early Hurdles

- Windows-only, OMF
- Learning curve
- Frequent changes

2001
2002
2003
The Pioneer Era

- Low expectations
- DIY ethos
- Self-starters
Embryonic Ecosystem

Websites

- D information, tutorials
- Blogs
- Projects
- D Journal (magazine)
- DWIKI, Wiki4D
  (http://prowiki.org/wiki4d/wiki.cgi)

Year:
- 2002
- 2003
- 2004
Embryonic Ecosystem

Bindings, Wrappers, Ports

- OpenGL, SDL, Lua, DirectX
- Gtk+ wrapper (DUI)
- Windows GUI wrapper (DIG)
- Postgresql Wrapper
- TinyPTC port

2002
2003
2004
Embryonic Ecosystem

Libraries

Single Modules (CGI, sockets, etc.)
Deimos template library
DFC (D Foundation Classes)
Harmonia (HTML GUI)
Synsoft D libs
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Editors, IDEs

TextMate, EditPlus, Kate, vim
Emacs D mode
dedit (DIG sample)
leds (Linux Editor for D)
DIDE
## Embryonic Ecosystem

### Tools, Utilities

- DLI (Linux port of DMD)  
- D support in SWIG  
- D support in SCons  
- dfilter, dstrip, compile  
- IRC

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Downloads of D in June are averaging double what they were in May.

I'm seeing more and more interest in the language on the internet, etc.

I think a lot of the success is due to you folks who write articles about D, put up web pages on D, talk about D on the internet, and in general just participate. Thank-you!

- Walter Bright, June 08, 2002
'D is gaining momentum'
A few months ago, I started working on a D front end for GCC.

- David Friedman, March 22, 2004
  'Another front end for GCC'
J.C. Calvarese and I have been throwing together a website to host D projects.

The site is very young and growing. Our goal is not to duplicate SourceForge, but rather to build a community of active projects for D.

The company I work for has generously donated some bandwidth...

- Brad Anderson, March 26, 2004
  'www.dsource.org'
The Villager Era

- Higher expectations
- Limited DIY ethos
- Tell me what to do
Developing Ecosystem

- DWT
- DSource Tutorials
- DDT (eclipseD)
Developing Ecosystem

- Dig-Dug
- DCoder
- DSC (Mango)

2004
Developing Ecosystem

- Docoa
- Derelict
- DFL (D Forms Library)
  (http://www.dprogramming.com/dfl.php)

2004
Developing Ecosystem

- Ares
- Bindings project
- DDoc

2004
AREA2048

http://homepage2.nifty.com/isshiki/prog_win_d.html

All direction shooting.

It is the shooting game of topic in Japan.

It is made of D language.

It is very fun!!

Please play this GAME.

- Hiroshi Sakurai, December 11, 2004
  'AREA2048'
Torus Trooper ver. 0.2 (C) Kenta Cho(ABA."Saba") release.
http://www.asahi-net.or.jp/~cs8k-cyu/windows/tt_e.html

- Hiroshi Sakurai, January 01, 2005
'Torus Trooper v0.2 release'
ABA Games

http://www.asahi-net.or.jp/~cs8k-cyu/

2003/4
A7Xpg
Parsec47
Tumiki Fighters

2005
Torus Trooper
Gunroar

2006
Mu-cade
Titanion
ABA Games
http://www.asahi-net.or.jp/~cs8k-cyu/
Entice Designer

http://www.dprogramming.com/entice.php
Build/Bud

*build utility v1.0*
February 12, 2005

'BUILD' utility must have a new name
July 29, 2006

*Bud (nee Build) v3.04 released*
October 15, 2006

2005/6
D Shared Software System version 0.1 Released!
November 09, 2006

Rebuild 0.1 released
February 05, 2007
Brad Roberts and I have been discussing putting on the first D conference. We'd at last all get to meet each other! This announcement is to gauge the level of interest.

- Walter Bright, November 15, 2006
  'D Conference 2007'
It is our pleasure to announce the existence of a new application library named Tango.
DMD Milestone Releases

Jan 02 - v1.000
Jun 17 - v2.000-alpha

2007
D Conference 2007

Conference 2007 - D Programming Language

Who: The Speakers (and their presentations). The schedule.
What: The first conference devoted to all things about the D Programming Language
When: August 23 - 25, 2007
Where: Seattle, WA on Amazon's Campus (map and hotel info)
Why: Talk, Learn, and generally collaborate on the current state of D
How: Planes, Trains, and Automobiles

Pictures

Frequently Asked Questions

digitalmars.dannounce posts:
- August 15 2007 Update
- July 2007 Update
- May 2007 Update
- February 2007 Update
- November 2006 Announcement
Learn to Tango

February 04, 2008
Tango Conference 2008

26 September
- 09:30 - 10:30 Reception
- 10:30 - 11:00 Keynote
- 11:15 - 12:15 Mikola Lysenko - Get some Fibers in your diet
- 12:15 - 13:45 Lunch break
- 13:45 - 14:45 Jarrett Billingsley - MiniD
- 15:00 - 16:00 Frank Benoit - DWT Features
- 16:15 - 17:15 Open Tango session

27 September
- 10:00 - 11:00 Rick Richardson - DReactor
- 11:15 - 12:15 Team0xf gamedev panel
- 12:15 - 13:45 Lunch break
- 13:45 - 14:45 Dr Rafał Bocian - On teaching D
- 15:00 - 16:00 Tomasz Stachowiak - DDL
- 16:15 - 17:15 Fawzi Mohamed - Rolling Dice Testing

28 September
- 10:00 - 11:00 Compiler/runtime workshop
- 11:15 - 12:15 Tomas Lindquist / Christian Kamm - LLVMDC
- 12:15 - 13:45 Lunch break
- 13:45 - 14:45 Lars Ivar Igesund - The Future
- 15:00 - 17:00 Round-table, question-time, all presenters
D Shops

Funkwerk

Sociomantic

2008
The Townie Era

- Why? Where?
- What's DIY?
- Please fix this.
Expanding Ecosystem

- Visual D
- TDPL
- D Programlama Dili

2010
Expanding Ecosystem

And so much more!

2010 & Beyond
Community is everything!
Thank you.