LibreOffice: What's new

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"Stand at the crossroads and look; ask for the ancient paths, ask where the good way is, and walk in it, and you will find rest for your souls..."
Jeremiah 6:16



Overview: what the talk looks like

Snapshot of development: old new stuff

Some new deployments

New Features

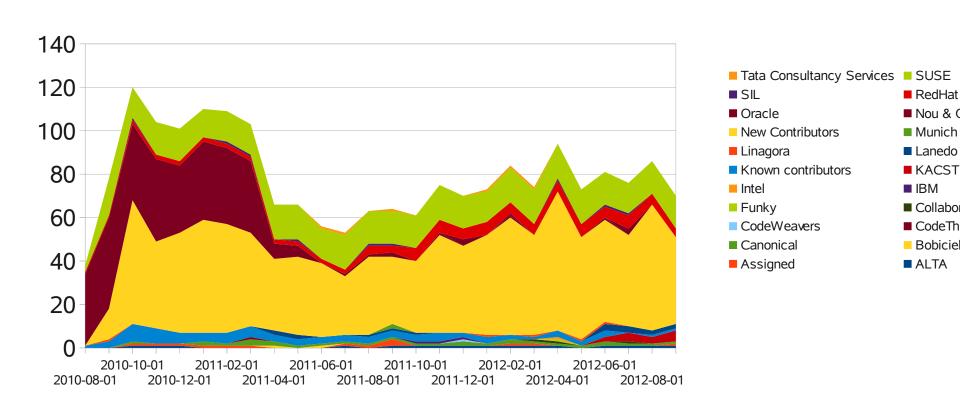
Easy Hackery / Get involved

Conclusions

Development

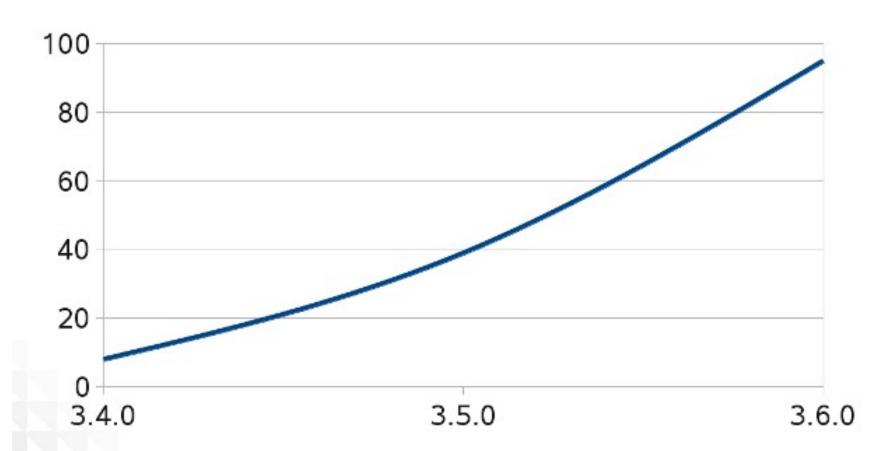
Code Diversity & contribution

Breakdown of active contributors each month.

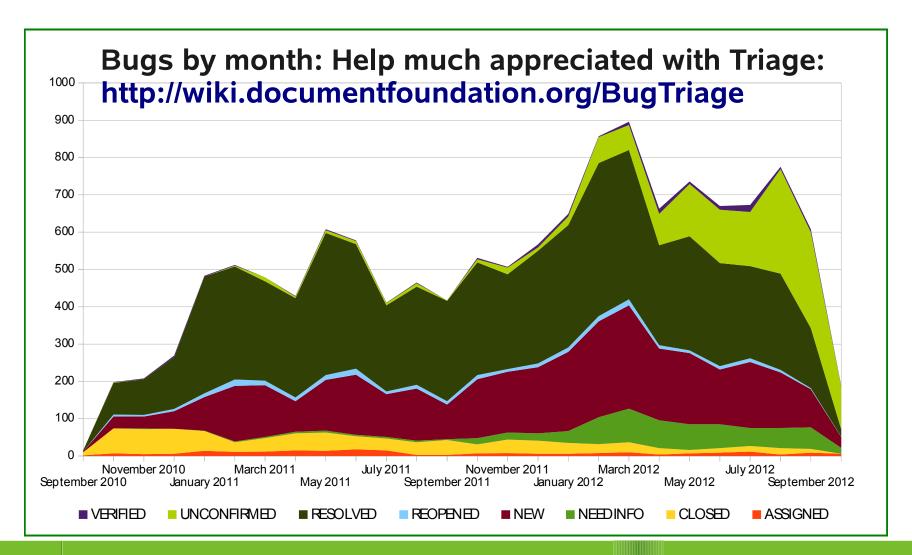


Unit tests 10x bug nailing

Count of types of gnumake enabled unit tests (each runs a battery of tests)

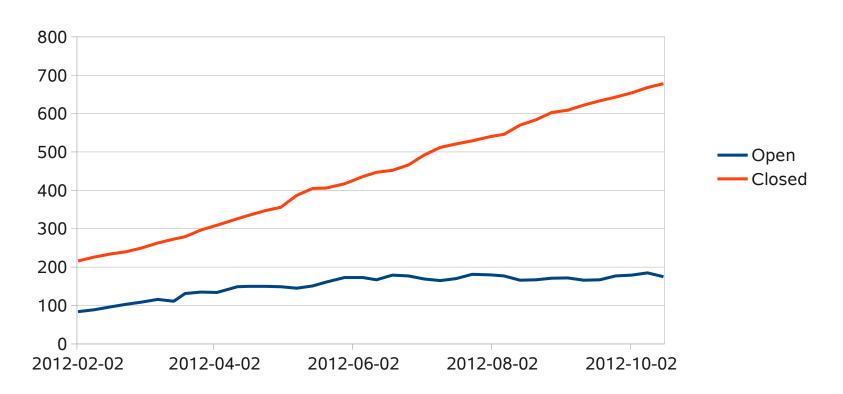


QA Statistics: filing ...



Static regression count:

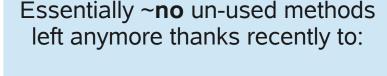
Regression bugs over time



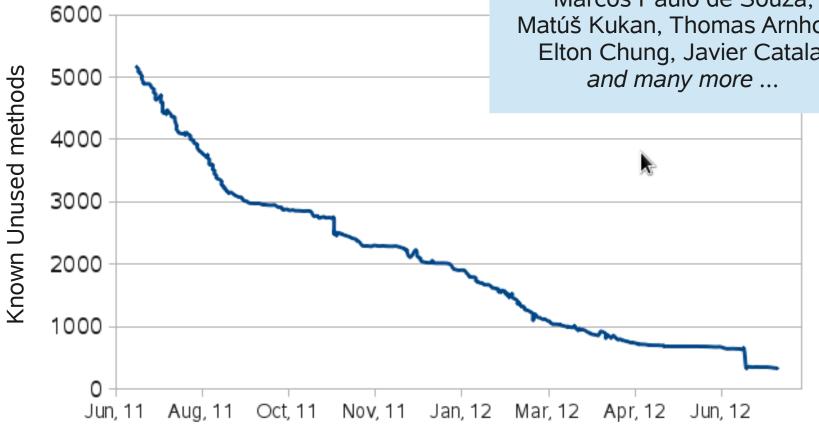
With profound thanks to: Roman Eisele, Rainer Bielefeld, Joren De Cuyper, Arnaud Versini, Jean-Baptiste Faure, tommy27 & Korrawit Pruegsanusak for filing **3.7** bugs.

Easy Hack: Unused code: removed

Despite adding many features, we have an overall reduction in LOC.



Julien Nabet, Caolán McNamara, Marcos Paulo de Souza. Matúš Kukan, Thomas Arnhold, Elton Chung, Javier Catala, and many more ...



Localization Statistics

346 active users in Pootle (translations.documentfoundation.org)

112 languages in Pootle+ 4 languages maintaned outside of Pootle

LibreOffice 3.6 has 109 UI languages, and help packs in 58 languages

LibreOffice 3.5 had 107 UI languages, and help packs in 57 languages

Deployment ...

City of Munich loves LibreOffice

- After careful risk-assessment, the capital of Munich has decided to migrate from OpenOffice to LibreOffice.
- In favour of that decision, among others, was the greater flexibility of the project regarding consumption of open source licenses.
- Beyond that, Munich wants to rely on large and vibrant communities for any Open Source product it employs.
 - Kirsten Böge, head of public relations

Regione Umbria loves LibreOffice

Migrazione dell'Umbria a LibreOffice





Limerick loves LibreOffice



MimO loves LibreOffice



Las Palmas loves LibreOffice



Chicago Public Library loves LibreOffice

Using Computers at CPL

All Chicago Public Library locations offer computers with free Internet access and LibreOffice software. LibreOffice is an open-source office suite compatible with Microsoft Office. The following LibreOffice components are available:

- Writer: A word processor similar to Microsoft Word or WordPerfect.
- Calc: A spreadsheet program similar to Microsoft Excel or Lotus 1-2-3.
- Impress: A presentation program similar to Microsoft PowerPoint.





Creating a Document

Learn more about using LibreOffice to create and type documents.

Getting Started with LibreOffice »

User guides to LibreOffice.

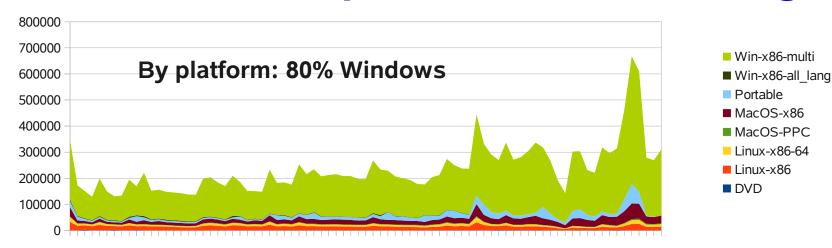
LibreOffice Calc »

Video tutorials provide tips for using the spreadsheet program in LibreOffice.

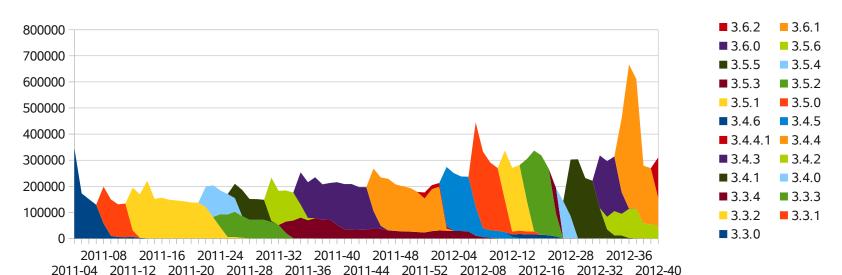
LibreOffice Writer »

Video tutorials to learn how to use the word processing program in LibreOffice.

Downloads: http://www.libreoffice.org/



Weekly downloads by version



GueEstimated Number of Users:

Linux: 30 million users (90% of desktop Linux)

Windows + MacOS: 20 million downloads from TDF mirrors + millions of installations from covermount CDs and websites + corporate deployments using their own packaging

60 million users (estimated)

Research Pipeline ...

Android / pre-proto-type ...

- I'm a fraud! The real work & glory should be addressed to: Tor Lillqvist's hours of toil His talk later today ...
- Cross compiling work originally for using MINGW → windows
 - Also useful for cross-compiling to Android, iOS etc. from Linux/Mac
- A staggering learning curve to climb
 - But we're getting there slowly ...
- Latest code in master for 3.7/4.0 ...



The man himself ...

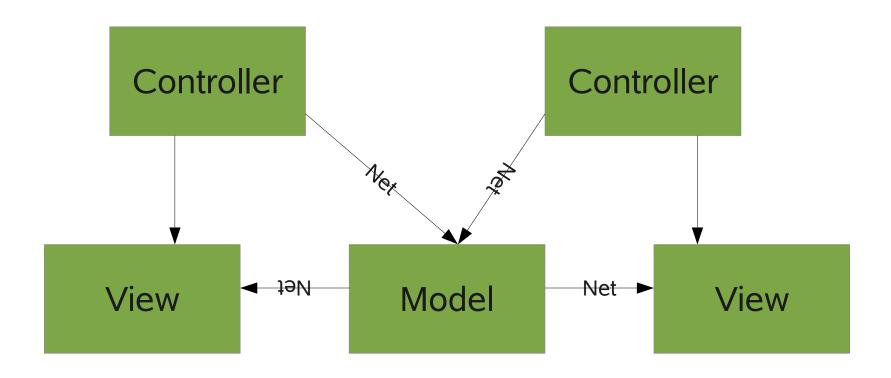
Cloud Office / HTML5 prototype ...

- Rendering using the HTML5 Canvas ...
- Communication using Web-Sockets (now with v7)
 - very simple plain-text event / control protocol
 - compressed png for screen updates ...
- Bandwidth usage low for simple tasks:
 - We can see what is re-rendered as we type:
 - But really as we type a character: only **this** is sent:
 - And that tiny rectangle is png compressed ...
 - CopyArea on the client for scrolling.

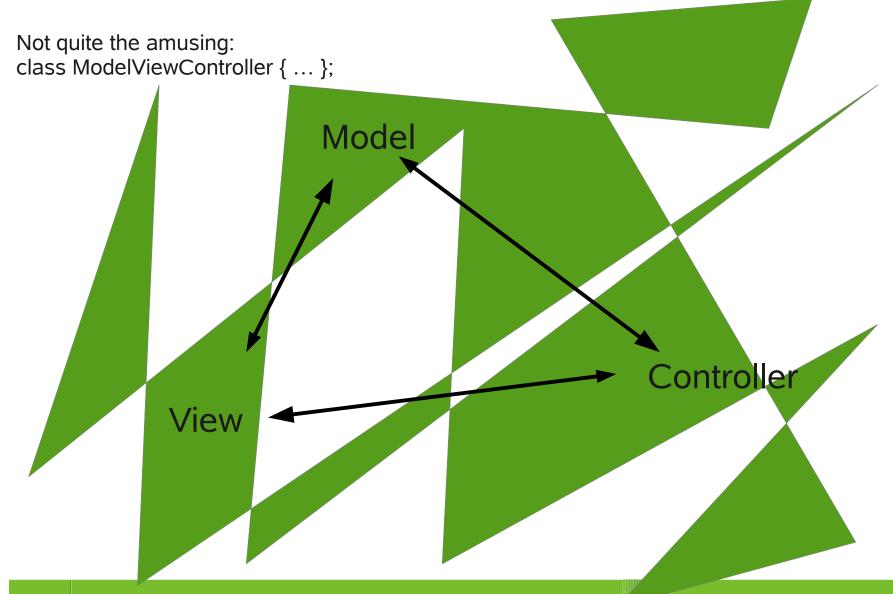
Hello World this is me typi

One kind of MVC collaboration

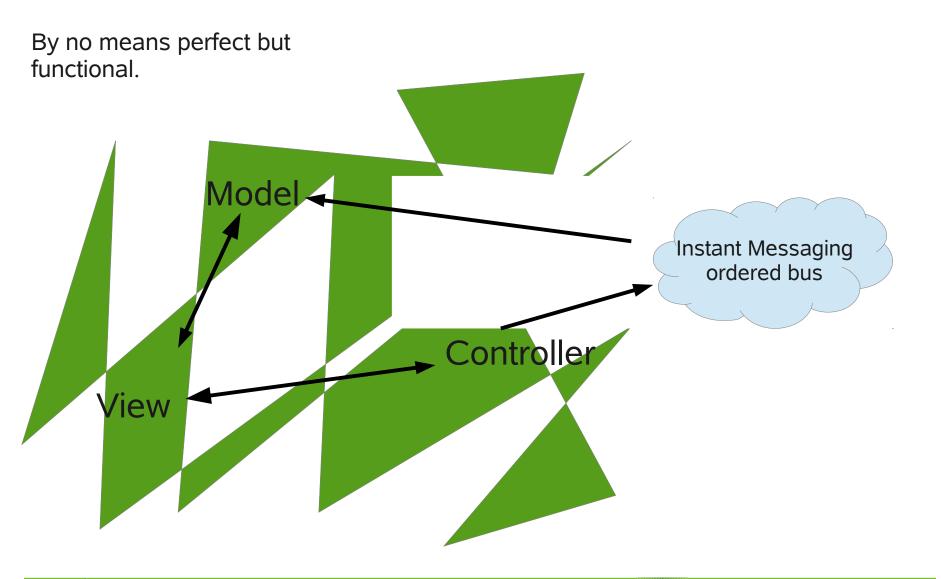
So – just get two controllers and two views – right ? Easy ...



Actual simplified (inherited) view



Adapted, collaboration design:



Collaboration consequences

- Constraints:
 - cell editing is applied asynchronously ...
 - eg. enter "foo" in A1
 - edit sent to the IM bus
 - user moves to another cell
 - apply all messages from IM bus in order
 - "foo" entered into A1 ...
 - Potential latency issue
- But:
 - Implementable is feasible in linear time
 - No blue-sky monster re-work necessary ...

Easy Hacks ...

Overview / the basic message

Easy:

You can get stuck into them fast:
 http://wiki.documentfoundation.org/Development/Easy_Hacks_by_required_Skill

Hacks:

- Various kinds of small but useful code changes
- No-one blocking on your work ... nice to have

Significant

Which individually & collectively make a difference.

Easy: Translating German Comments ...

• Admittedly much easier if you are a German git clone git://anongit.freedesktop.org/libreoffice/core

Beautiful tool tool help out with this: (thanks Miklos)

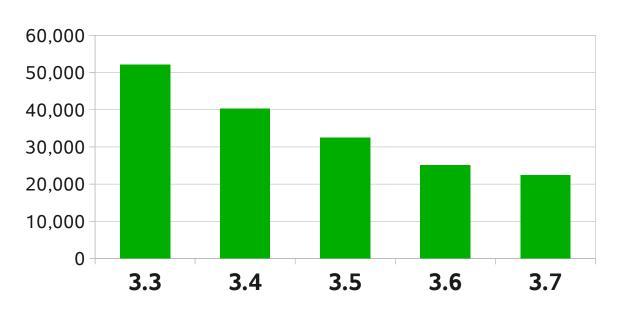
cd clone

bin/find-german-comments cppuhelper # random directory
forms/source/component/FormComponent.cxx:924:
3. Lesen der allgemeinen Properties
forms/source/component/FormComponent.cxx:2099:
wenn eine Verbindung zur Datenbank existiert
forms/source/component/FormComponent.cxx:2102:
Feld bestimmen und PropertyChangeListener

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Significant: Translating Comments ...

- It makes things much easier for non-Germans ...
- We removed or translated ~30k lines of these so far
- We still have 22k to go: done mostly by new guys ...
 - Thanks to all who helped!



Thanks to (recent translators):
Gerhard Oettl,
Tomaž Vajngerl
Philipp Riemer
Albert Thuswaldner
Philipp
Weissenbacher
Mark Wolf
Josh Heidenreich
and many more!

Easy: Making our dialogs beautiful ...

Caolan's Widget Layout work:

http://wiki.documentfoundation.org/Development/WidgetLayout

Core skill required: Linux + a pulse ...

- Ability to install / run glade-2
- Basic motor / mouse skills ...
- HowTo cf. above link.
 - Examine the dialog / .src file and/or User Interface
 - Draw (using glade-2) an equivalent .ui file
 - Either: send that file in as-is, or ...
 - Remove obsoleted .src / .hrc file cruft.
 - Search / replace widget members to pointers

Significant: key to improving our look & UI

Major benefits:

- This will fix dozens of point-zero / release bugs
- Fixing embarassing translation problems
 "why is Donaudampfschiffahrtsgesellschaftsk... truncated?"
- Improve the compactness and look of dialogs for all
- Allow UI designers to improve the looks
- Removes tons of old, un-tweakable, overly verbose code
- You get to know Caolan McNamara <caolanm@redhat.com>

We can't do (at all quickly) it without you:

- 600 .src file / dialogs, 33 converted so far ...
- This could be where you make your blow for our look & feel
- 6 weeks to go before feature freeze ...

Conclusions

Still a Very Young Project

Lots of space for newcomers!



LibreOffice 2020



Come and help us drive. please do some EasyHacks

Thank you.



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