

DYALOG

Belfast 2018

D03: Technical Road Map: Under The Covers

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Let's come back down to Earth



- Version 17.0
- Upcoming releases
- What else are we doing?



Version 17.0

Released 23 July 2018



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- Improved error diagnostics
- New and improved portable file functions
- Locals lines
-]LINK
-]HELP



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- HTML Renderer and data binding improvements
- APL as a shared library



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- RIDE 4.1
 - Floating windows
 - Snappier performance
 - Snappier look and feel
 - Default interface on Mac/Linux/Pi



Version 17.0

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- TAO: Total Array Ordering extends \uparrow and \downarrow to arbitrary nested arrays
- Extended Unique (\cup) now works on matrices and higher ranked arrays
- Performance, performance, performance...

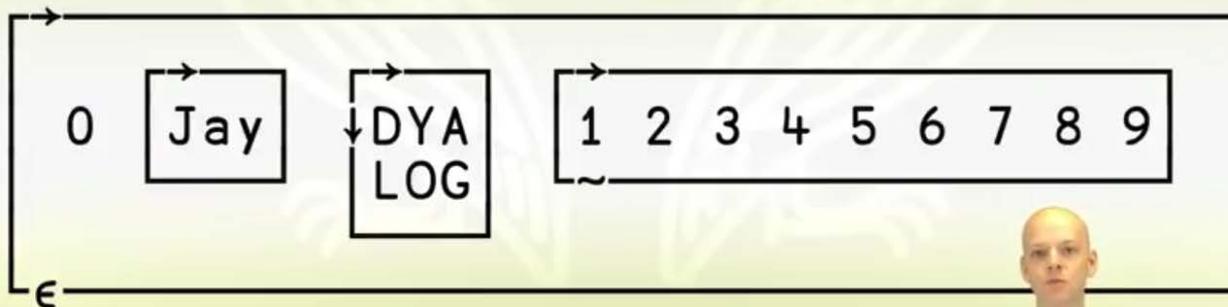


Version 17.0

Total Array Ordering

How would you order:

`⊞ ← 0 'Jay' (2 3ρ'DYALOG') (ι9)`



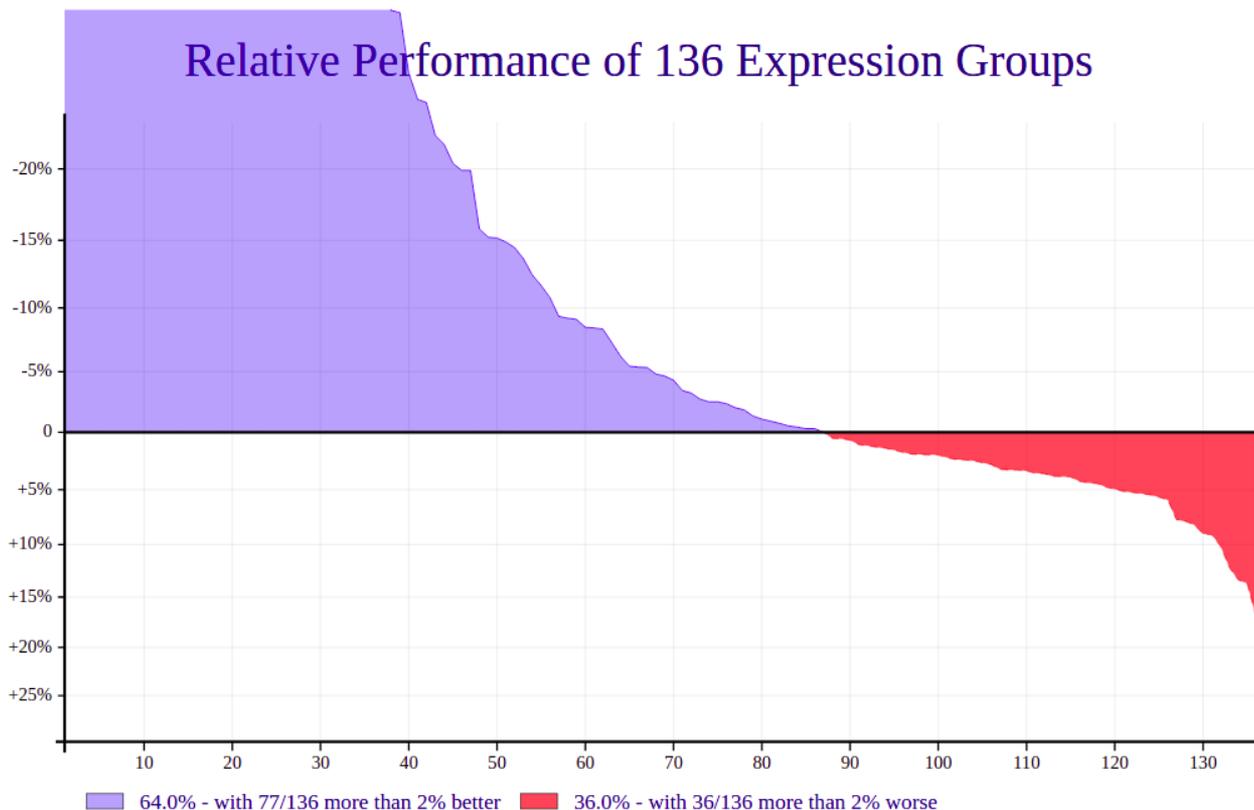
- Total Array Ordering
Jay Foad & Adam Brudzewsky
- Pre-Release User Commands
Adam Brudzewsky & Morten Kromberg
- Microservices in Dyalog APL
Morten Kromberg
- Source Code Management with GitHub and APL
Morten Kromberg & Brian Becker
- APL CodeGolf Autumn Tournament
Adam Brudzewsky
- Summer Intern Show
Marinus Oosters, Becca Murray & Stephanie Buettner
- A closer look at the new primitives in version 16.0
Morten Kromberg & John Scholes
- Celebrating the release of Dyalog Version 16.0 and RIDE 4.0
Morten Kromberg
- Something Old, Something New & Something Experimental



Performance Comparison Between Windows-64 17.0.33755.0 W Development and Windows-64 16.0.30270.0 W Development

Geometric mean of 136 expression groups: -26.0%

Relative Performance of 136 Expression Groups





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Performance

Caveat: Factors specified on this page are obtained from micro-benchmarks performed on specific primitive functions; in real applications factors will depend on a mix of primitives.

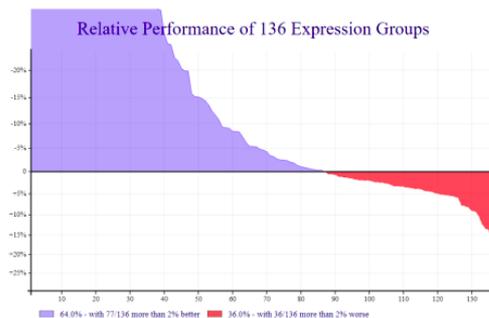
All benchmark tests were performed on 64-bit interpreters on Linux/Microsoft Windows operating systems.

Internal Benchmarks

Internal benchmarking was performed on the initial release of Dyalog version 17.0 and the results compared with the initial release of Dyalog version 16.0.

Performance Comparison
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The benchmarking process comprises over 13,000 benchmarks in more than 130 groups; the group geometric mean timing ratios are measured and plotted against the groups sorted by their means. The vertical axis of the graph shows the ratios as a percentage change; negative values are shown in blue and indicate a performance enhancement, and positive values are shown in red and indicate a deterioration in performance.

Results showed that core interpreter performance in Dyalog version 17.0 has an average improvement of 26% over Dyalog version 16.0.

Areas of Focus

For previous releases we have presented the ways in which Dyalog has been sped up in tabular form. We tried to make such



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- TP1: Dyalog Version 17.0 In Depth
Jay Foad, Richard Smith and Adám Brudzewsky
Thursday 13:45



Upcoming releases



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17.1	18.0
Short cycle	Long cycle
Early 2019 release	Mid 2020 release
Tying up loose ends	Major new projects
Developed concurrently	



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- Packaging and signing
- Ongoing performance work
- (And routine maintenance and bug fixes as usual)



17.1: Docker

- Windows Server Core: 6 GB
- Nano Server: 435 MB

- Dyalog install with CEF: 200 MB
- Dyalog install without CEF: 48 MB

- Ubuntu Linux: 29 MB
- Alpine Linux: 2 MB



17.1: HTML renderer

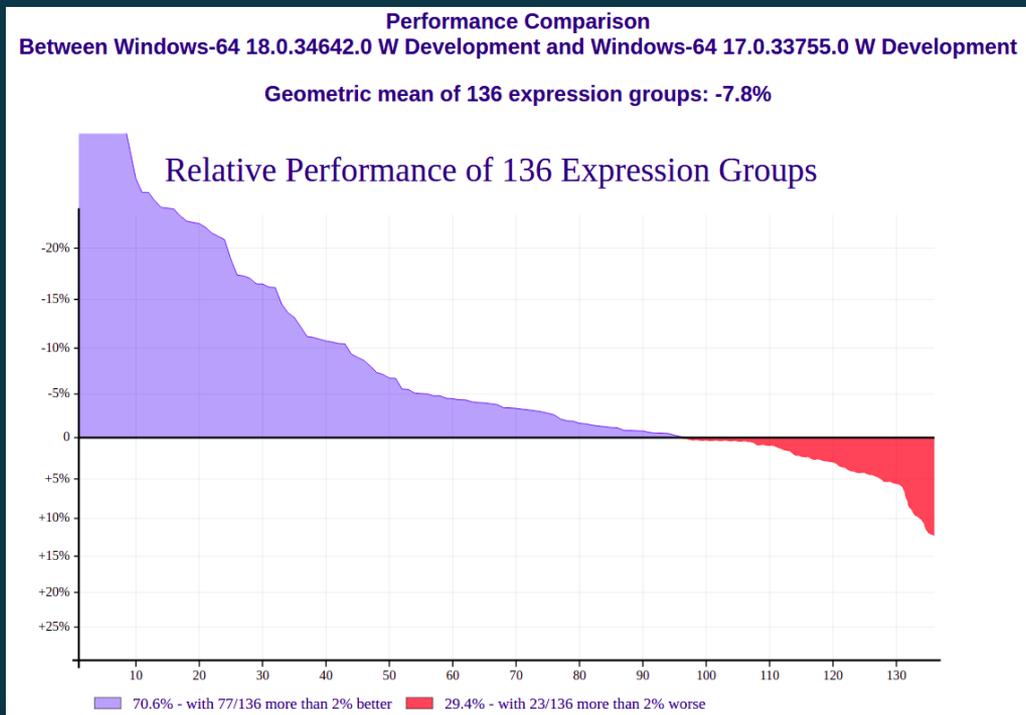


Announcement!

17.0 runs on Debian 7 or Centos 6
CEF requires Debian 8 or Centos 7



Performance (17.1 and 18.0)



Version 18.0 (2020 release)



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These are plans, not promises!



18.0: Theory of Everything

- An internal object model for Dyalog APL

- D09: JD's Big Toe

John Daintree

Tuesday 11:20



18.0: Increased maximum array rank

... and lift a few other limitations:

- 4k lines in a functions
- 4k names/constants in a function
- etc.



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Announcement!

We want to stop supporting `□LOAD` of a workspace that was `□SAVEd` with an SI stack by an older version of the interpreter.



18.0 .NET Core bridge

- Open source and cross-platform
- Required for headless Windows (Nano Server)
- Provides new functionality on Linux and Mac



18.0: Array notation

- Generalises strand notation to matrices and higher rank arrays
- D04: Array Notation Mk III
Adám Brudzewsky
Monday 11:00



18.0: Magic arrays

- You (the wizard) invent a new representation:
 - Sparse
 - Inverted
 - Etc
- Wave your wand...
- ... and it appears as a normal APL array
- (No change to the rest of your application code)



18.0: Magic arrays

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:Magic Inverted
  :Field private vec  A vector of column vectors
  ▽ r←ShapeOf y
    :Implements ρ $\underline{\omega}$ 
    r←(ρ>vec), (ρvec)
  ▽
  ▽ r←x Take y
    :Implements α↑ $\underline{\omega}$ 
    ...
  ▽
  ...
:EndMagic

```



18.0: New operators

Over	$\alpha \overset{\circ}{f} \overset{\circ}{g} \omega \leftrightarrow (g \alpha) f (g \omega)$
Under	$\alpha \underset{\circ}{f} \underset{\circ}{g} \omega \leftrightarrow (g \overset{\circ}{\ast}^{-1}) (g \alpha) f (g \omega)$
Obverse	$\alpha \tilde{f} \tilde{g} \omega \leftrightarrow \alpha f \omega$
	$f \tilde{g} \overset{\circ}{\ast}^{-1} \leftrightarrow g \tilde{f}$



18.0: Cross platform config

Replaces registry, command line, environment in a way that is

- cross platform
- easy to change per-application
- easy to share between interpreter versions



18.0: Executable scripts

Storing source code in text files is good

Running code from text files is better

We need better support for:

- Running APL batch jobs
- Loading code under program control
- Managing dependencies between scripts



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- .NET Core bridge
- Array notation
- Magic arrays
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- Cross platform config
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- D05: RIDE 4.1 and Next Generation Integrations
Gilgamesh Athoraya
Monday 13:30



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- Package management
- U05: The APL Package Manager
Gilgamesh Athoraya
Tuesday 09:00



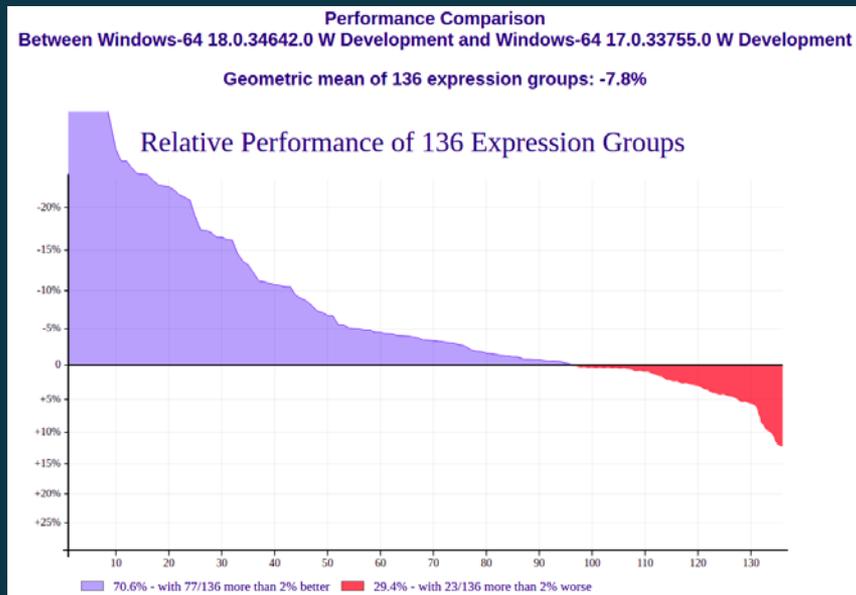
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Marshall Lochbaum
Monday 16:45



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 - D14: Inverted Tables
Roger Hui
Thursday 11:00



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 - D14: Inverted Tables
 - D15: The Interpretive Advantage
Marshall Lochbaum
Thursday 11:30



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- Co-dfns
 - U04: Co-dfns 2018 – What's New?
Aaron Hsu
Monday 17:30



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- Co-dfns
 - U04: Co-dfns 2018 – What's New?
 - U18: Introducing the Mystika Project
Erik Wallace
Thursday 10:00



What else are we doing?

- D10: Dfns – Past, Present and Future
John Scholes
Wednesday 11:00



In summary...

- 17.1 due out early(ish) in 2019
- 18.0 due out mid 2020

