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# The Return of Uncle Andy's Fireside Chat

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# Agenda

Geoff

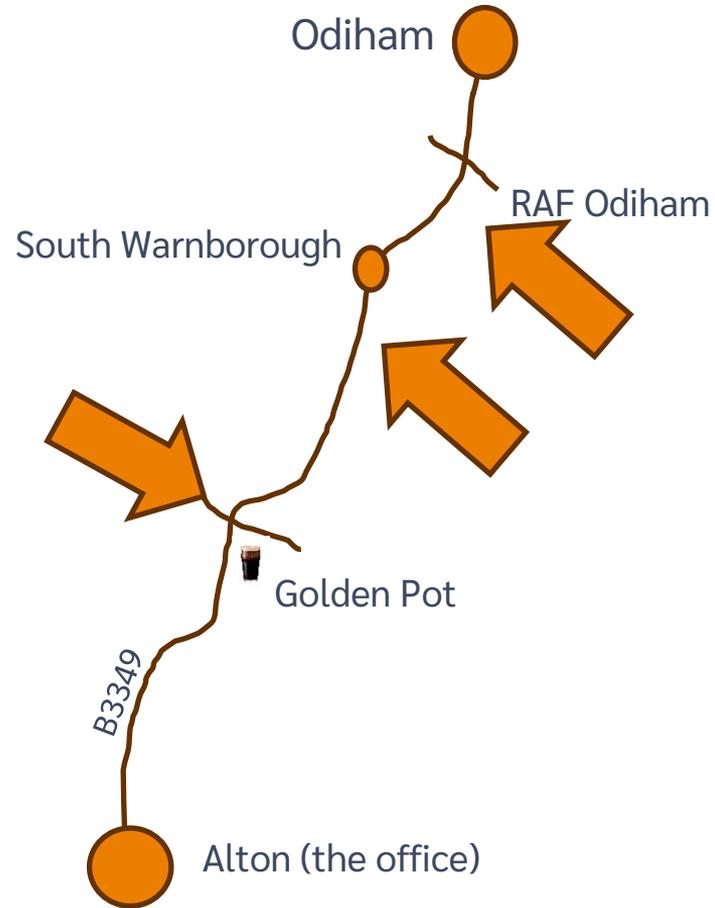
Testing

Announcements

Miscellaneous



# Geoff



Pete

Tell that #.(f←o┐)“0  
Streeter ..

.. to stop driving his company car like a  
#.{ω}.(# #).{ω} lunatic ! ..

.. <rant> .. </rant>



# Geoff

- Without Geoff Streeter none of us would be here today
- Please raise a glass to him and wish him a long and happy retirement

*[It depresses me that of the fulltime employees I started first. From now on it may be Gramps Andy's Fireside Chat]*



(with blackcurrent cordial of course !)



# Matters Arising

- Largest workspace I've seen ?

2T(erabytes)

- HttpCommand
  - 500000 times in single process



# Docker Containers

- ◆ Ours are for demo/development purposes only
  - ◆ We can help but you/your IT department should set them up
    - ◆ Reduces security discussions
  - ◆ You can always strip bits out of our installation
    - ◆ eg help, ws, samples



# Testing

- Standard QAs
- "Shuffle" QAs
- Code coverage
  - Aarush working on improving this and on new generation of QAs
- Fuzz testing



# What do these do ?



# What do these do ?

All killed the interpreter

#.(f←o+)"0

3 1 {f=

∇|α+ω}→00

"□R((")□R"φ)"

#.{ω,α+φ}.{ω}

(,#).(@0)ο+θ



# Fuzz Tests

- Runs continually with special interpreter
- Uses American Fuzzy Lop (not a rabbit)
- Generates expressions of interest
  - ~2E11 expressions run so far
  - Failures
  - Running for too long
  - Waiting on input



# Fuzz Tests

- Try each expression with all standard interpreters
- Investigate all the errors
  - Eliminated many bugs
    - Peter and Silas leading the way



# Fuzz Tests: `ninfo` on Windows

```
files←0 1(ninfo OPT('Wildcard' 1)('Recurse' 2)) dir,'/*'  
19.0.47734 Windows:      0 31125 149184 0
```

On Windows (>18.2.47791) `ninfo` is now faster

Non-Windows were already "quick"

```
19.0.47853 Windows:      0 1109 5348 0
```

Thank you Stefano for suggesting the improvement !



# Announcements

- ◆ Withdrawals:
  - ◆ R-interface (19.0)
  - ◆ 819I (20.0)
  - ◆ Array Editor (20.0)
  - ◆ Syncfusion (20.0)
- ◆ 19.0:
  - ◆ Release for user meeting
  - ◆ macOS and Intel/ARM support
  - ◆ New packaging on macOS



# Withdrawal of the R-interface

- Has been withdrawn in 19.0
  - The code we relied on is no longer publicly available, and is out of date
- Use Kimmo Linna's Rserve
  - <https://github.com/kimmolinna/rsconnect>



# Withdrawal of 819I in 20.0

- Use {X} ꞑc Y instead

	819I	ꞑc
To upper case	1	1
To lower case	0	-1
Folded	-	-3 (default)

- Best used monadically when doing case-less comparisons



# □ wc and folding

'δυσσεύς' – Odysseus (Ulysses)

Both σ and ς are Sigma, ς is used at end of non-capital letters only words

□ ς 'δυσσεύς'

δυσσεύς



# Benefits of `□c`

- It will exist in 20.0 onwards !
- Does not error if any elements are not character:

```
□c 'Andy' # (↑'Pete' 'Karen') 1.1
andy # pete 1.1
      karen
```

Refs are not followed but just returned unaltered



# Array Editor

- Has been removed from 19.0
  - David Liebttag sadly passed away last March
- Future plans based on Array Notation, but nothing else to say yet



# Syncfusion

- ◆ Dyalog will stop including Syncfusion libraries in 20.0 onwards
- ◆ Dyalog's Syncfusion support agreement will terminate in September 2024
  - ◆ But we have always said that you should take out your own support contract directly with Syncfusion if you use it in production
- ◆ You may continue to use Syncfusion in conjunction with 19.0 and earlier of Dyalog
- ◆ Talk to [sales@dyalog.com](mailto:sales@dyalog.com) if you have questions or concerns



# An aside: 32-bit, Classic

- 32-bit on Windows, AIX and Pi only
  - On Pi will remain until we feel 32-bit Raspberry Pi O/S has too few users
  - 32-bit Dyalog APL does NOT run on 64-bit Raspberry Pi O/S
- As of 01/01/2024 32-bit licences will be the same price as 64-bit licences
- Changes to licencing and thus to [my.dyalog.com](https://my.dyalog.com)





# Mac support

- 19.0 is expected to be the last version to be built for Intel-based macs
- Intel-based versions of Dyalog for mac run (well) under Rosetta
- 19.0 will be available as a native ARM-based application
  - on or soon after release of 19.0



# Additional mac packaging

- ◆ Similar to Linux
  - ◆ tty based version, separate RIDE
- ◆ Homebrew based
- ◆ Still Work In Progress
  - ◆ Let Stefan know if you're interested
    - ◆ [stefan@dyalog.com](mailto:stefan@dyalog.com)
- ◆ Do you still want the existing packaging ?



# RIDE User Guide etc.

- ◆ Is no more
  - ◆ use <https://dyalog.github.io/ride>
  - ◆ macOS User Guide will become very small
  - ◆ will start to review all the non-Windows User Guides
- ◆ Have you seen the cheat-sheets
  - ◆ anything you'd like one about ?
  - ◆ [fiona@dyalog.com](mailto:fiona@dyalog.com)



# Miscellaneous

- )ed foo[1]
- LOG\_FILE & `se.wg'Logfile'`
- DYALOG\_GUTTER\_ENABLE
- `dr` and Booleans (and squeeze bit)
- New I-Beams
- `se.Caption` can be updated dynamically



# )ed has more relaxed arguments

```
)ed #.goo[1]*
```

- Opens the editor on goo[1]
- Same as double clicking or hitting <ED>

```
□fx 'foo' 'goo'
```

```
□fx 'goo' 'o'
```

```
foo
```

```
)si
```

```
#.goo[1]*
```

```
#.foo[1]
```



# LOG\_FILE & `se.LogFile`

- Log\_File can now contain "\*"
  - Will use the first available (ie not locked) log file
  - Multiple instances of APL will use separate logfiles
  - `se.LogFile` reports the log file used by this instance of Dyalog

```
]config LOG_FILE  
... .\default_*.dlf  
se.LogFile  
... .\default_000.dlf
```



# DYALOG\_GUTTER\_ENABLE

- Disabled by default in tty interface
  - Otherwise you have problems with copy and paste

Enabled

```
[      :if 1  
      [  
      :endif
```

Do not try this  
with user  
meeting 19.0!



# □dr and Booleans

- ◆ □dr reports the type of the argument as it is held in the workspace after squeezing the argument<sup>(\*)</sup>
- ◆ Singleton Booleans are held (effectively) as short ints

```
□dr ``2=2 (2 3)
```

```
83 11
```



# Dyadic `⊞dr` and "sticky bit"

- It is assumed that if you change the type of an array, you want to preserve that type
  - "Sticky bit" is set
  - Subsequent calls to `⊞dr` won't squeeze

```
⊞dr >0 323 ⊞dr 2=2 2
```

```
323
```



# New I-Beams

- ⬢ **WARNING:** Although documentation is provided for I-Beam functions, any service provided using I-Beam should be considered as "experimental" and subject to change – without notice - from one release to the next. Any use of I-Beams in applications should therefore be carefully isolated in cover-functions that can be adjusted if necessary.



# New I-Beams: 2250 I

- Report state of .NET Core
  - Results are cached
  - Use as early as you can in your code
    - We may already have done so !
- 2250 I  $\emptyset$



# New I-Beams: 2250 I 0

- AIX: 1 0 .NET interface is not supported by this interpreter
- Windows: 2 1 A Framework is available
- Linux: 1 1 A .NET is available
  
- .NET Core is now known as .NET. WE may not be completely up to date about this!





# New I-Beams

- 1302I
  - Set/query AplCoreName and/or MaxAplCores

```
1302I0
```

```
c:\apl\aplccores\190U64_aplcore_* 10000
```

```
{}1302I0          A Don't drop aplccores
```

```
{}1302I'/aplccores/andys' A change name
```

```
{}1302I'/tmp/andys' 10  A set both
```



# A in saved in output

- What about

```
p9-72qa.dyalog.bramley - PuTTY  
Dyalog APL/S-64 Version 19.0.47997  
Classic Edition  
Tue Oct 10 11:03:17 2023  
    )save andysws  
andysws.dws A saved Tue Oct 10 11:03:24 2023
```

- Same for )load, )xload, )copy & )pcopy



# DMX

```
'andys' FTIE 1
```

```
^
```

```
dmx.({ω (±ω)}↓nl 2)
```

Category		Component file system
DM	FILE NAME ERROR	'andys' FTIE 1 ^
EM		FILE NAME ERROR
EN		22
ENX		11
HelpURL	<a href="https://help.dyalog.com/dmx/19.0/Componentfilesystem/11">https://help.dyalog.com/dmx/19.0/Componentfilesystem/11</a>	
InternalLocation		qfile1.c 4438
Message		andys: Unable to open file
OSError	1 2	The system cannot find the file specified.
Vendor		Dyalog

```
.'wg'APLVersion'
```

```
Windows-64 19.0.47901.0 W Development
```



# DMX

json dmx

```
{ "Category": "Component file system", "DM": ["FILE NAME ERROR", "an  
dys'FTIE 1", " ^"], "EM": "FILE NAME ERROR", "EN": 22, "E  
NX": 11, "HelpURL": "https://help.dyalog.com/dmx/19.0/Componentfile  
system/11", "InternalLocation": ["qfile1.c", 4438], "Message": "andys  
: Unable to open file", "OSError": [1, 2, "The system cannot find th  
e file specified."], "Vendor": "Dyalog" }
```

Andy wants dmx nv -2 !



# And that's that !

- ◆ Thank you for listening

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