

(D05) RIDE 4.1 and Next Generation Integrations

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RIDE 4.0 Priorities Review

- Upwards Compatibility.
- Secure Communications.
- Floating Windows. X
- Raspberry Pi Version.
- Zero Footprint Operation.
- SSH Tunnelled Connection. 🗸
- Workspace Explorer. 🗸
- Debug Panel (Threads and Stack).
- 🝨 User Experience. 🧬
- Enhanced Search Functionality.
- Interpreter Level Formatting.



RIDE 4.1 Priorities

- Floating Windows
- Zero Footprint Operation
- User Experience
- Stability Bug Fixing





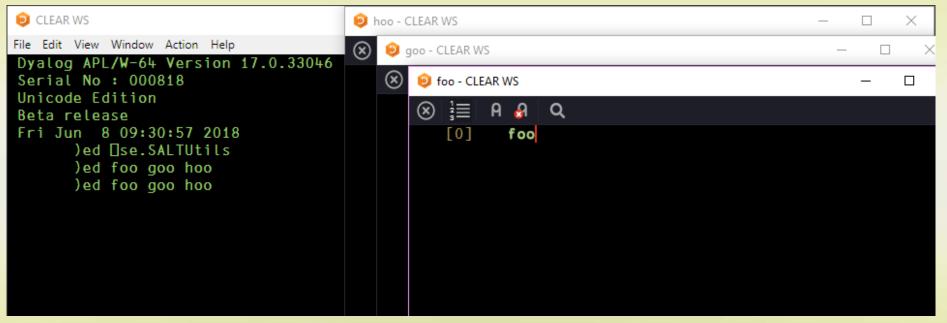
Floating Windows

- Undocked/floating editor windows
- Single floating editor
- Preferences
- About
- Dialogs





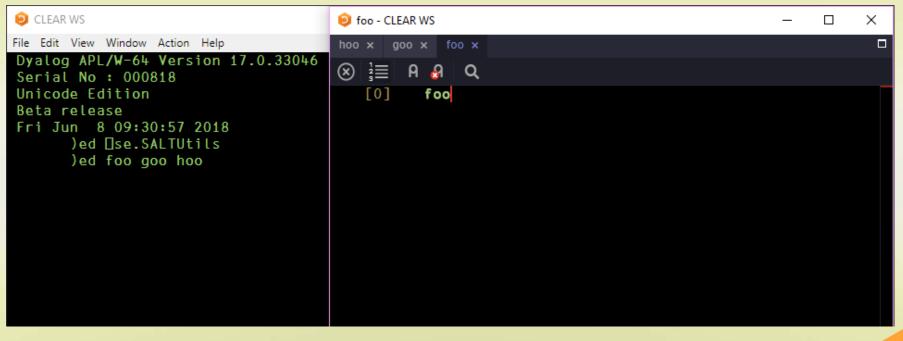
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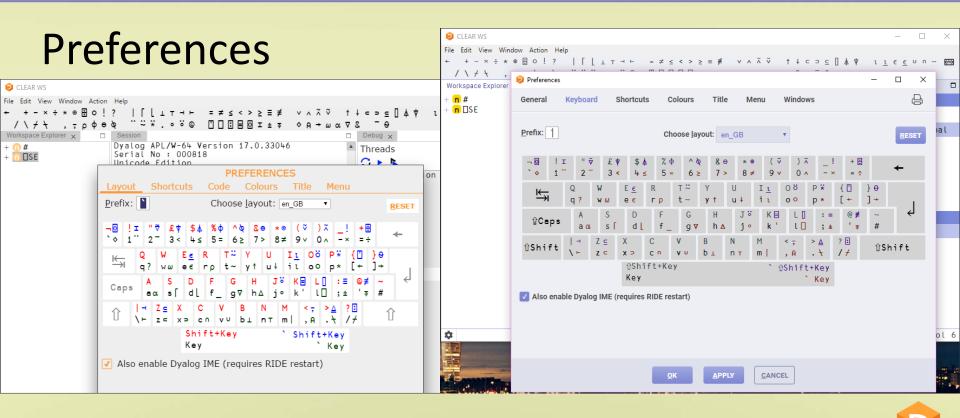


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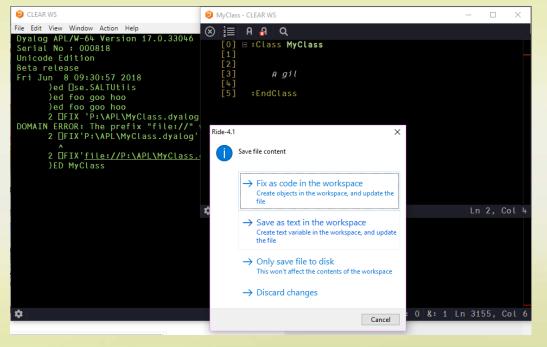
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Native dialogs where available









Zero Footprint Operation

- No installation required for client
- Interpreter serving RIDE client directly via browser
- Consistent look and feel
- No floating editors
- Preferences stored in local storage





Zero Footprint Operation

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User experience

- Improve performance (slow response on large files, eg. session log, scripts)
- Review styling of application
 - Dark and light chrome
 - Consistent styling of labels and controls
 - Connect page restyled
 - Scalable content



Editor performance

- Editor module "CodeMirror" replaced with "Monaco Editor".
- Microsoft module lifted from VS Code (cross platform editor application).
- Many new features available, some yet to be taken advantage of (e.g. diff editor).
- Significant improvement in speed.



Some Monaco editor features





Dark and light theme

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Stability – Bug fixing

- New test framework has been introduced (Spectron + avajs)
- About 200 issues closed since October 2017
- At the time of writing:
 - 102 open issues of which
 - 42 are enhancement requests



VSCode Integration

- Language Configuration
- Language Server
- Debug Adapter

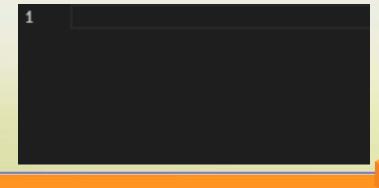




VSCode – APL Language

- Recognise language
 - File extensions
 - First line match (shebang)
- Syntax grammar
- Snippets
 - Control structures
 - Keywords
- APL font
- Word pattern and separators
 - Navigate code
 - Select names

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2	graph+α	Α α is graph vector.
3	trav+{	A initial vertex and parent
4	[−] 2≠α⊃ω:ω	
5	next≁∮α⊃graph	A edges from vertex α
6	tree+aa@a⊢w	Α αα is α's parent
7	⊃α ⊽⊽/next,⊂tree	A visiting each edge in order
8	}	A :: tree + vtx (vtx ⊽⊽) tree
9	ω(⁻ 1 trav) ⁻ 2⊣¨α	A depth-first traversal of graph ω
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Language Server Protocol

- Single protocol for tools (IDEs) to communicate with Language Servers (LS)
- Each tool implements a client once
- Each language implements a server once
- Some tools that implement LSP already:
 - Eclipse
 - IntelliJ/JetBrains
 - VSCode
 - vim/neovim
 - Kakoune
 - Sublime Text 3
- Work in progress:
 - Atom
 - Emacs



APL Language Server

- Implement Language Server Protocol
- Provide features such as:
 - Hover/tooltips
 - Folding/outlining rules
 - Autocomplete/intellisense
 - Diagnostics (warnings/errors)
 - Goto (definition/implementation)
 - Actions (e.g. refactor code, fix issues, etc.)



VSCode – Debug Adapter

- VSCode provides a UI for debugging
- Communicates with debugger using the Debug Adapter Protocol (DAP)
- Debug Adapter translates between DAP and native debugger API (eg. RIDE protocol)





VSCode – Integrated terminal

- Integrated terminal allows TTY version to run in an embedded panel
- Can be used for simple testing of statements while coding
- Can also be used as a development session with]link or]acre



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VSCode Integration

- Work very much in progress
- Extensions already published, but still not on version 1.0.0
- Feedback and suggestions welcome

