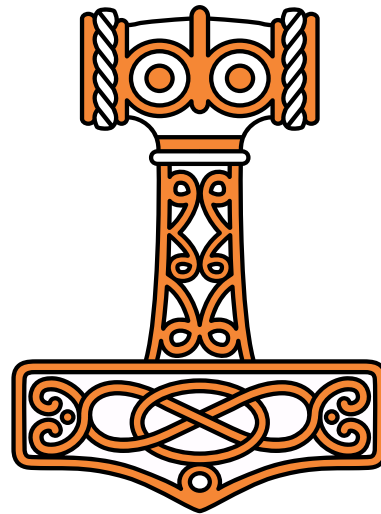


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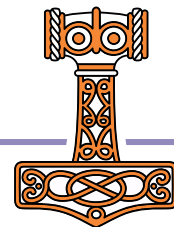




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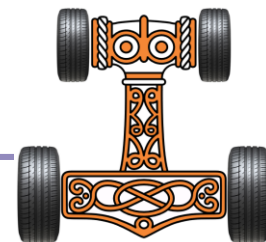




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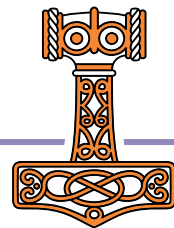
- We stand upon the shoulders of Giants



John Scholes (1948-2019)



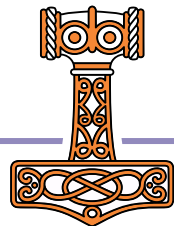
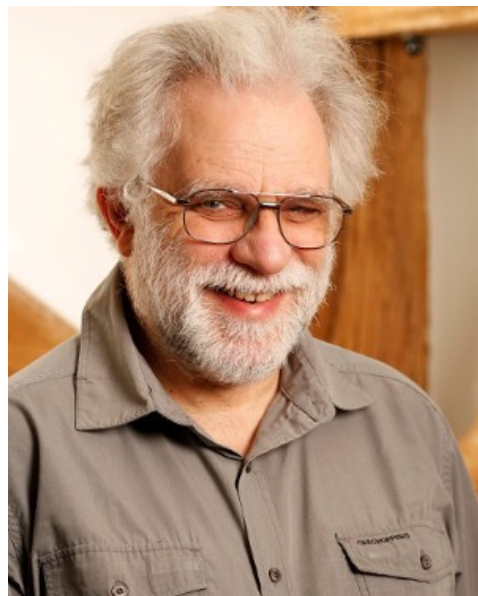
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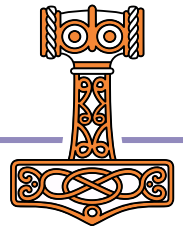




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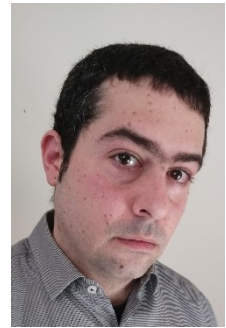


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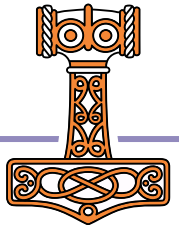




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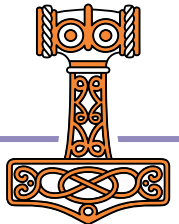


# Software Security Process

BSIMM

## Building Security in Maturity Model

- Compare own routines to industry practices
- Implement and continuously review practices that reduce security risk
  - Dyalog's processes will treat potential **computational errors** as threats on par with **classical security threats**
- Hope to publish an Audit Report in ~~2022~~2023





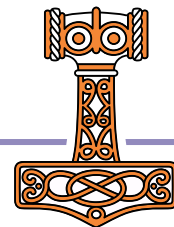
# 1. Building the Team

## Talks by recent recruits...

**Monday 16:15** Plan 9 from Outer Space  
(Peter Mikkelsen)



**Tuesday 15:00** Performance Improvements in Set Operations  
(Karta Kooner)





## 2. Training & Evangelism

🟡 [mastering.dyalog.com](https://mastering.dyalog.com)

Rodrigo Girão Serrao



🟡 [course.dyalog.com](https://course.dyalog.com)

Rich Park



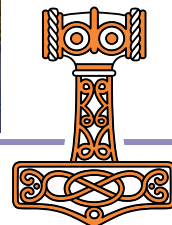
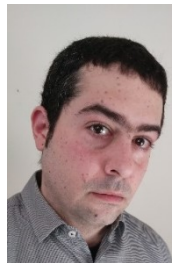
🟡 [tutorial.dyalog.com](https://tutorial.dyalog.com)

Gary Bergquist + Andrew Sengul



🟡 [xpqz.github.io/learnapl](https://xpqz.github.io/learnapl)

Stefan Kruger (IBM)





apl-study - APL Study Group

fastai.github.io/apl-study/

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# apl-study

## APL Study Group

This blog is a work in progress to document and share learning that the Fastai APL Study Group has as they learn Dyalog APL. If you are interested, join us!

Check out [the forum](#) for meeting time and resources!

You'll find here a walkthru of what will eventually be all the glyphs in Dyalog APL, in an order where no glyph is used in an example until it's been introduced. So far there's no prose – the explanations are purely through examples for now (but we'll add prose later).

There's also a [Python equivalents](#) notebook, which has explanations using python of some APL ideas, including `bind/partial` and APL operators (aka higher-order functions).





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en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jeremy\_Howard\_(entrepreneur)

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- This article **contains content that is written like an advertisement**. *(April 2020)*
- The topic of this article **may not meet Wikipedia's notability guideline for biographies**. *(July 2020)*

**Jeremy Howard** (born 13 November 1973) is an Australian data scientist and entrepreneur.<sup>[3]</sup> He began his career in management consulting, at [McKinsey & Company](#) and [AT Kearney](#). Howard went on to co-found [FastMail](#) in 1999 and Optimal Decisions Group. He later joined [Kaggle](#), an online community for data scientists, as President and Chief Scientist.

Together with [Rachel Thomas](#), he is the co-founder of [fast.ai](#), a research institute dedicated to make [Deep Learning](#) more accessible.<sup>[*citation needed*]</sup> Previously, he was the CEO and Founder at Enlitic, an advanced machine learning company in [San Francisco, California](#).

Howard teaches data science at company [Singularity University](#). He is also a [Young Global Leader](#)<sup>[*citation needed*]</sup> with the [World Economic Forum](#), and spoke at the World Economic Forum Annual Meeting 2014 on "Jobs For The Machines."<sup>[4]</sup> Howard advised [Khosla Ventures](#) as their Data Strategist, identifying the biggest opportunities for investing in data-driven startups and mentoring their portfolio companies to build data-driven businesses.

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1 Early life

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**Jeremy Howard**

Howard in Maui, 2014

**Born**

13 November 1973 (age 48)  
London, England

**Nationality**

Australian

**Alma mater**

[University of Melbourne](#)

**Occupation**

Entrepreneur

**Known for**

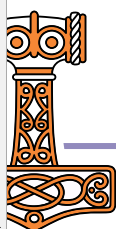
[Deep Learning](#), [Machine Learning](#)

**Awards**

Winner of global Kaggle Data Science Competitions, 2011 and 2010<sup>[1][2]</sup>

**Website**

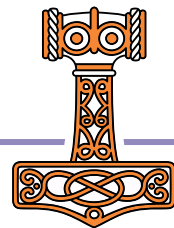
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# Training & Evangelism

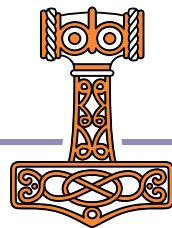
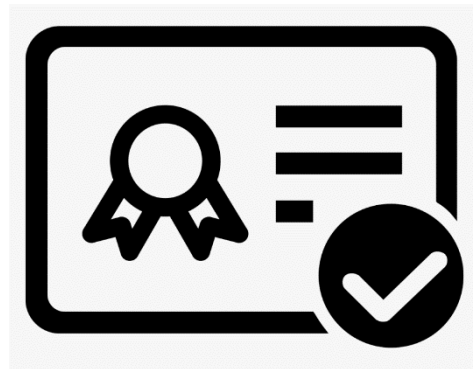
- ✧ We trained a group of 24 developers in India last year (via Zoom)
- ✧ The materials prepared for this exercise are available free of charge at [course.dyalog.com](https://course.dyalog.com)
  - ✧ This will be the case for all training materials that we are creating
- ✧ We are also considering running on-line courses – contact us if you need training!





# Basic Licence

- Replaces *non-commercial licence*
- Allows distribution of Dyalog along with your work, under the default royalty licence
  - Fee is 2% of gross APL-based revenue
  - No fees due if revenue < GBP 5,000 in a calendar year
  - Multiple alternative commercial licence schemes are available
- For GBP 150 per year, you can subscribe to the Dyalog Support Service (DSS)

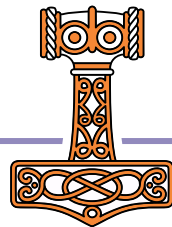
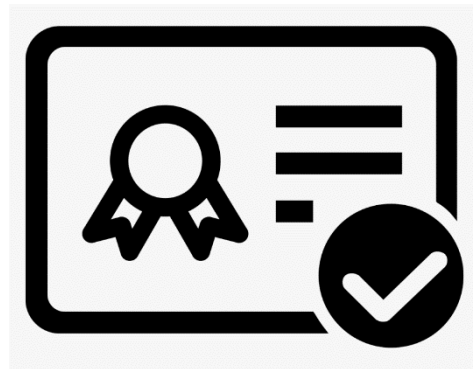




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Perhaps the most important "feature" of v18.2 – intended for

- ◆ non-commercial use
- ◆ education
- ◆ personal projects & experiments
- ◆ sharing your experience
- ◆ proof of concepts / trials
- ◆ participating in programming competitions for cash prizes
- ◆ fun





# Keyboarding on all platforms

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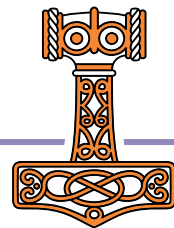
- ◆ Dyalog IME does not work with Windows Universal Windows Platform applications
- ◆ APL keyboards do not work in RIDE (backtick still works) under Wayland (Linux)
- ◆ New users report that "ctrl" is problematic as the APL key

## Immediate Solutions:

- ◆ Keyboards for Windows which use different "APL" keys (Alt, AltGr, etc)
- ◆ Backtick-style keyboards for all platforms

## Longer Term:

- ◆ A new IME which offers a similar experience across supported platforms and works in and out of the IDEs (this will take a bit longer)





## 2. Training & Evangelism

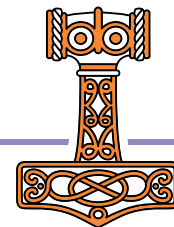
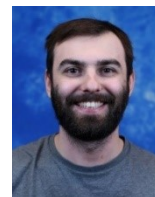
**Thursday 11:15** Dyalog and Academia  
(Jesús Galàn López and Gitte Christensen)



**Thursday 11:45** What – Another APL Book?  
(Ray Polivka)



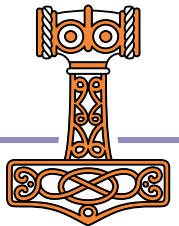
**Thursday 12:05** Growing APLers  
(Rich Park)





# 3. Consulting

- ✧ We started building a consulting group in the USA in 2019
  - ✧ Paused due to Covid and other factors
- ✧ We expect to resume recruiting APL consultants in the USA next year
- ✧ Get in touch
  - ✧ ... if you need consulting (also outside the USA)
  - ✧ ... know someone interested in an APL career



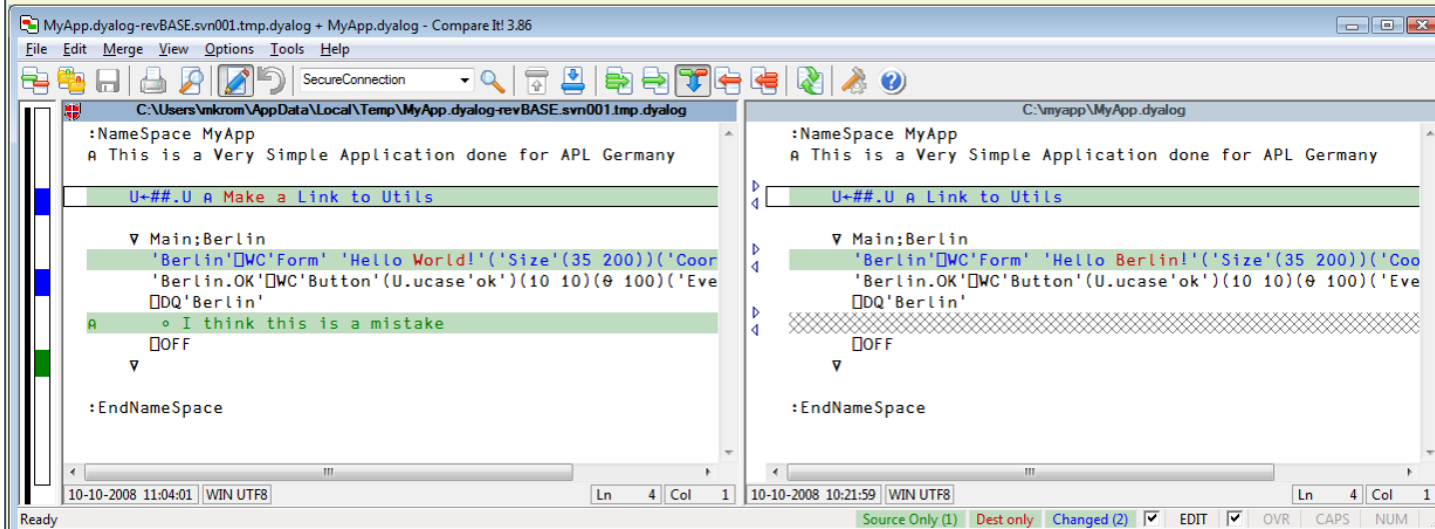


## 4. Source

- Here he goes again

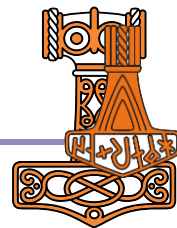
# Source Code Mgt Demo

- All tools shown here downloaded from internet, none of them knew about APL in any way.





# Why is Text Source **IMPORTANT**?





# 4. Source in Text Files

## Done:

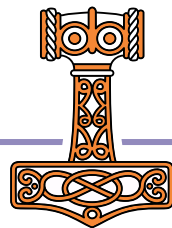
- Link 3.0 included with v18.2
  - Compatible with v18.0
  - Will replace SALT
- Launch APL from text source
  - No workspace required
  - Right-click on a function or namespace source file in Windows Explorer and run it
  - Also supported in containers
- HashBang/Shebang scripting

## Project Managers:

- Acre
- Dado
- Cider

## Package Manager:

- Tatin





# Tatin Registry

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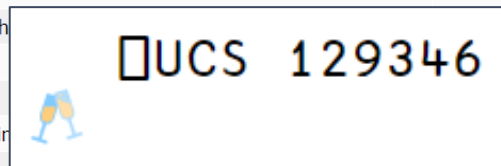
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<a href="#">davin-DateTime</a>	Easy calculations with dates	1	<a href="#">github.com</a>
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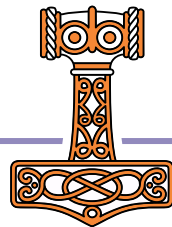
# 4. Source in Text Files

## Still to do:

- ✧ Publish more [Dyalog] packages on the Tatin server
- ✧ Cider Project Manager
- ✧ Array Notation

## Current Use:

- ✧ Major customers have moved to text source
- ✧ New users tend to start with text source
- ✧ All new Dyalog tools are [open] text source on GitHub
  - ✧ Taking advantage of Continuous Integration for automated testing



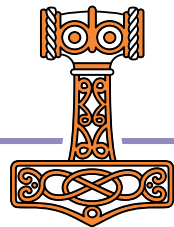


# Literal Array Notation

- Constants can form part of the "source" of an application
  - Enumerations
  - [Translated] strings
  - Conversion tables
- A notation for constants is an important piece of the "text source puzzle"
  - (In addition to being generally useful in code)

File Errors.apla

```
[ 2 'SYNTAX'  
  3 'INDEX'  
  4 'RANK'  
  5 'LENGTH'  
  6 'VALUE' ]
```



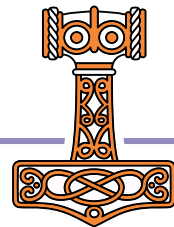
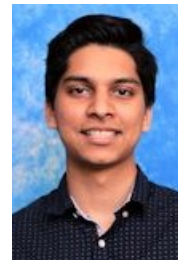


# 4. Source in Text Files

**Sunday 09:30** SA3: Link, Text-Based Source,  
and Source Code Management  
(Morten Kromberg and Josh David)

**Monday 14:15** The P words... Project and Packages  
(Morten Kromberg)

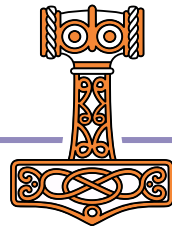
(also used in many other workshops and presentations)





# 5. Service Orientation

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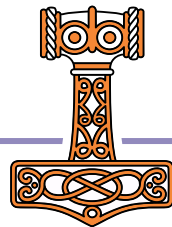
# Running APL as a Service

Imagine you have two pieces of business logic written in APL:

```
sum←+/  
reverse←ϕ
```

If you start Jarvis with a reference to the namespace containing the functions, Jarvis makes them available as a "Web Service":

```
Server←Jarvis.Run 8080 #
```





# Six different examples of calling "sum":

## JavaScript

```
var xhr = new XMLHttpRequest();  
xhr.open("POST", http://localhost:8080/sum);  
xhr.setRequestHeader("content-type", "application/json");  
xhr.send("[1,2,3,4]");  
xhr.response;
```

## PowerShell

```
$url = http://localhost:8080/sum  
$hdrs = @{'content-type' = 'application/json'}  
$body = '[1,3,5,7,9,11]'  
Invoke-WebRequest -Method Post -URI $url -Headers $hdrs -Body $body
```

## Python

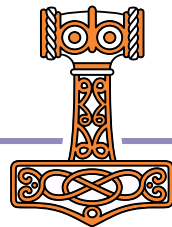
```
url = 'http://localhost:8080/sum'  
hdrs = {"content-type": "application/json"}  
array = [2,4,6,8]  
resp = requests.post(url, data=json.dumps(array), headers=hdrs)  
print(resp.json())
```

## curl

```
curl -d "[1,2,3,4,5]" -H "content-type:application/json" http://localhost:8080/sum
```

## APL

```
HttpCommand.GetJSON 'post' 'localhost:8080/sum' (15)
```





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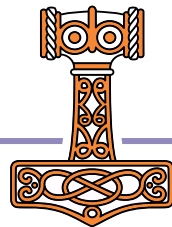
## Jarvis Web Service Framework

- Replaces "JSONServer"
- Supports REST and "plain" HTTP/JSON services
- Widely available

<https://github.com/dyalog/jarvis>  
<https://hub.docker.com/r/dyalog/jarvis>  
<https://tatin.dev>

## Related Improvements

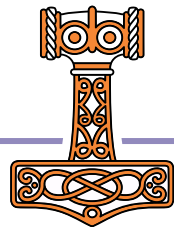
- Version 18.2 runs headless comfortably
- Easier to use in containers
- RIDE 4.4 supports debugging threaded code
- JSON support for converting matrices to JSON tables





# 5. Service Orientation

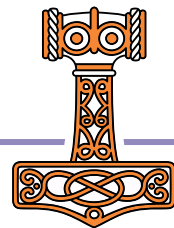
- Continue work to make platforms more similar
  - Develop under Windows/macOS, deploy under Linux
- .NET Bridge provides cross-platform libraries & frameworks
- Unify configuration across platforms
  - All settings configurable via text files
  - Remove need for the Windows Registry
    - (Except perhaps to configure Windows IDE)





# 5. Service Orientation

- Materials developed for Dyalog'22 workshops will be extended over the next weeks and months
- We will publish a fully worked example of how to build a web service in Dyalog APL
  - Deployed in containers to the cloud
  - Scalable using several alternative mechanisms
  - User Sessions using 3rd Party Authentication
  - Encrypted Data
- More webinars, webcasts & samples to come



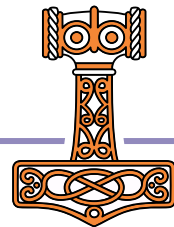


# 5. Service Orientation

Provide interface to monitor the state of APL processes

- CPU consumption
- Memory usage, Compaction counts, etc
- Are any threads suspended?
- )SI and Error information
- Available via API and / or protocols like SNMP

First version planned for v19.0





# 5. Service Orientation

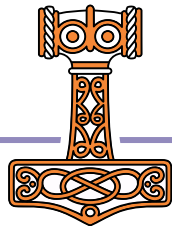
**Sunday 09:30** SA2: Building Web Services with Jarvis  
(Brian Becker)

**Sunday 14:00** SP2: Deploying Services  
(Brian Becker & Morten Kromberg)

**Tuesday 09:30** Automatic Application Builds with AWS  
(Norbert Jurkiewicz)

**Wednesday 09:00** Simplifying Secure, Scalable Web Services  
(Brian Becker)

(and used in many other workshops and presentations)

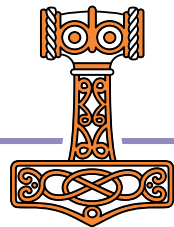
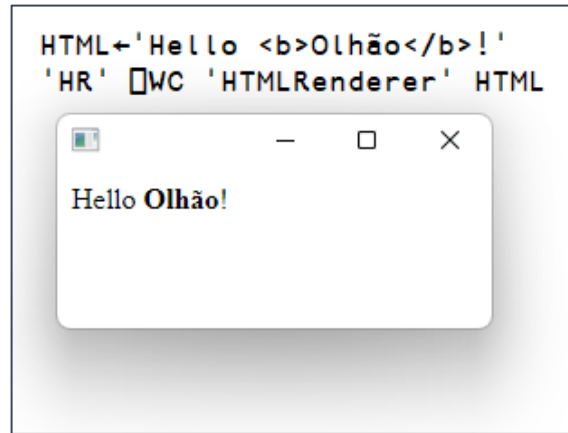




## 6. Cross Platform UI

When APL Services behind other GUI won't do...

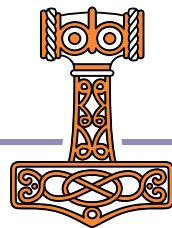
- Adoption of the HTMLRenderer is growing as the delivery mechanism for new UI
  - Appears in four [user] presentations this week
- No clear choice of tool to generate HTML/JS
  - DUI/MiServer still has a small user base
  - Users are experimenting with writing own tools
  - ... and integrating HTML/JS generated by 3rd party tools or developers





# HTMLRenderer improvements

- Most important: Find a way to easily upgrade the Chromium Embedded Framework
  - In the medium term, turn the HTMLRenderer into an Open Source project to allow community participation
- Enhancement in v19.0
  - Support Multiple windows that take turns being modal





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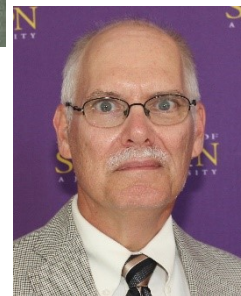
**Monday 11:40** Lift-Off from APL2 Mainframe to Dyalog in the Cloud  
(Gilgamesh Athoraya – Tiamatica AB)



**Monday 14:45** A Modern APL Workbench  
(Kimmo Linna - Finnair)



**Wednesday 09:30** TAMPA – Taming Mathematical Programming in APL  
(Stephen Mansour – Misericordia University)



**Wednesday 10:00** Integrating HTMLRenderer Into Existing Applications  
(Norbert Jurkiewicz – The Carlisle Group)



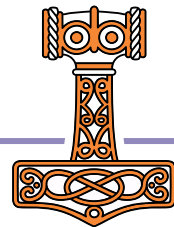


# 7. [Microsoft].NET

As .NET celebrates 20 years of existence, Microsoft is pushing everyone to move from proprietary Microsoft.Net Framework to the new open source, cross-platform .NET.

Name	Platforms	Version Numbers
Microsoft.NET Framework	Windows	1 2 4
.NET (previously ".NET Core")	Windows Linux macOS	3 5 6 7

Dyalog v18.0 added a bridge to .NET 3, to complement the 20 year old bridge to the .NET framework.



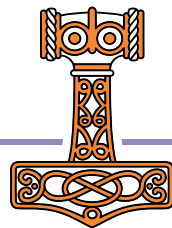


# .NET Bridge

- Add support for .NET 5, 6 & 7
- Export APL code as .NET assemblies
  - v18 .NET bridge only allows USING .NET classes
- Generate APL-based applications under
  - Linux: Amd/Intel x64 and Pi/AWS on Arm64
  - macOS (x64 and M1/M2)
  - Windows (x64 – maybe Arm64 later)
- Work on support for Async features



.NET 6 is the current  
Long Term Support  
version of .NET

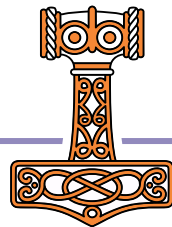




# 7. [Microsoft].NET

In a nutshell, the specification is that the new bridge it will work exactly the same way as the old one.

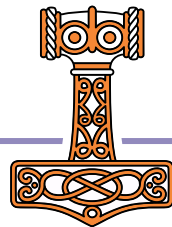
But there will be some enhancements.





# 8. New target Platforms

- 64-bit ARM
  - This low power RISC processor is gaining traction
  - We expect to support v19.0 on ARM64 (specifically M1 & M2 Macs)
- Web Assembly (WASM)
  - Co-DFNS will target WASM as an execution platform (no release date)
  - We are likely to look at whether a cut-down interpreter engine could run in the browser (no timeframe)

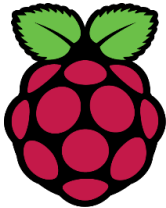




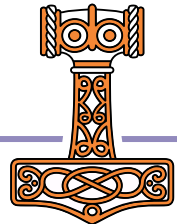
# Arm64

64-bit ARM chips are appearing in places that Dyalog should support:

- M1 & M2 Macs
- Raspberry Pi – 64 Bit
- Amazon Web Services "Graviton"



Best price performance for compute-intensive workloads







## Differences between Arm and x86

The primary difference between Arm and x86 processors is the way that they execute their instructions. x86 systems are based on complex instruction set computer (CISC) designs, while Arm is based on RISC designs. In short, x86 processors can execute multi-step operations on each instruction, while Arm processors use a limited, but highly optimized, set of instructions.

This execution difference is not the only reason that Arm is beginning to outperform x86 in important markets. Arguably, that change is due equally to Arm's attractive price-to-performance ratio.

For example, consider the AWS Graviton processor, Amazon's first AWS Arm offering. **Arm can save AWS users as much as 40 percent** in costs for performance equal to that of Amazon's previous x86 cloud processors.

Arm's flexible licensing process comes into play as a critical difference between Arm and x86. Intel's x86 processors are still a proprietary chip, meaning that Intel is the sole creator of the physical hardware and



## Arm64 Performance Improvements in .NET 7



Kunal Pathak

September 12th, 2022 | 11 | 6

The .NET team has continued improving performance in .NET 7, both generally and for Arm64. You can check out the general improvements in the excellent and detailed [Performance Improvements in .NET 7](#) blog by Stephen Toub. Following along the lines of [ARM64 Performance in .NET 5](#), in this post I will describe the performance improvements we made for Arm64 in .NET 7 and the positive impact it had on various benchmarks. Stephen did touch upon some of the work in his blog post, but here, I will go through some more details and wherever possible include the improvements we have seen after optimizing a specific area.

When we started .NET 7, we wanted to focus on benchmarks that would impact wide range of customers. Along with the Microsoft hardware team, we did lot of research and thinking on what benchmarks should we pick that can improve the performance of both client and cloud scenarios. In this blog, I will start by describing the performance characteristics that we thought are important to have, the methodology we used, the criteria we evaluated to select the benchmarks used during .NET 7 work. After that, I will go through the incredible work that has gone into improving .NET's performance on Arm64 devices.

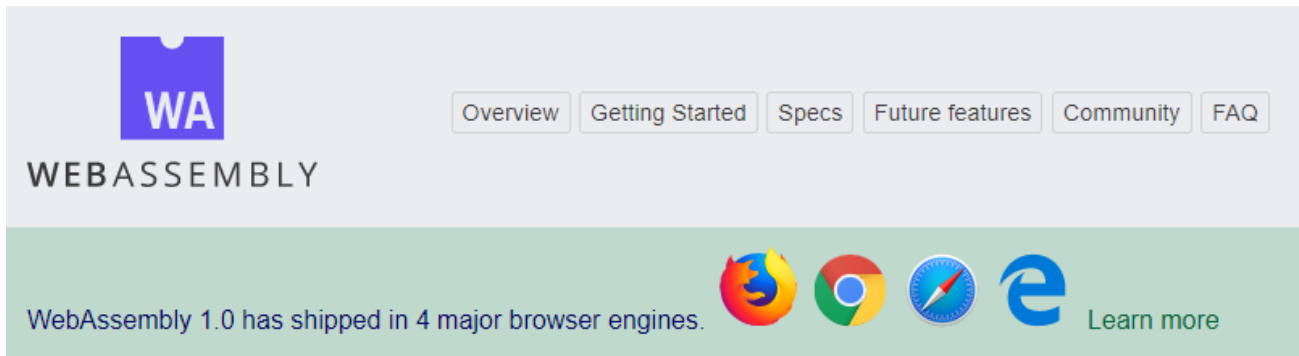


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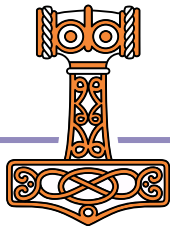


# Web Assembly (WASM)

APL running in the browser...



WebAssembly (abbreviated *Wasm*) is a binary instruction format for a stack-based virtual machine. Wasm is designed as a portable compilation target for programming languages, enabling deployment on the web for client and server applications.



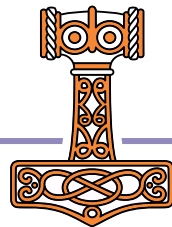


# 8. New Target Platforms

**Tuesday 16:45** Report on Co-dfns  
(Aaron Hsu)



**And talk to Ron about the ARM64 Port**



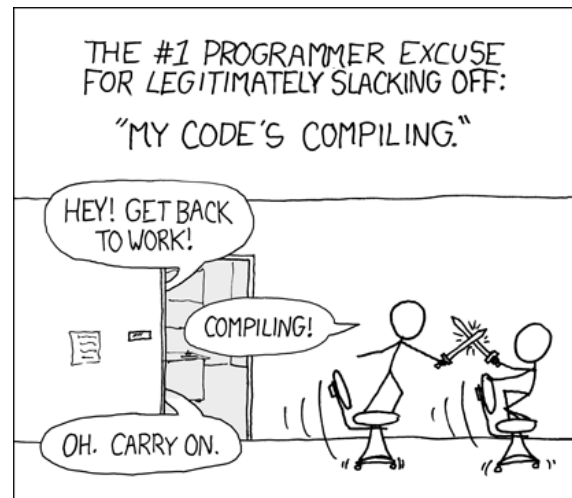


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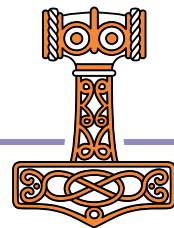
Work on Co-dfns continues. 2023 targets:

- Almost complete language support, including Control Structures & TradFns
- Characters, Mixed Arrays, Complex Numbers
- New backend targets: WASM/Javascript, Scheme/Lisp, Java/C#, Python
- Tracing and debugging

Emphasis is as much on making APL accessible for new applications in new environments, as on compiling existing applications



Source: xkcd.com





# 9. Compiling APL

**Tuesday 11:30** Implementing the Convolutional  
Neural Network U-net in APL

(Rodrigo Girão Serrão)



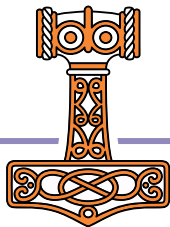
**Tuesday 12:00** APL on the Side  
(Justin Dowdy – Semantic Arts)



**Tuesday 14:00** Scheduling Array Operations  
(Juuso Haavisto – University of Oxford)



**Tuesday 16:45** Report on Co-dfns  
(Aaron Hsu)



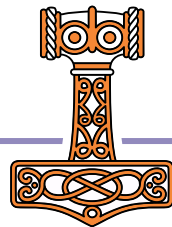


# 10. APL Language

- Literal Array Notation
- Multiple Numeric Towers, so we have a unified model which supports
  - 64-bit integers
  - Rational numbers
- Carefully considering which primitives are most important to add next. Not in a hurry.
  - Depth, Behind, Select, Under/Dual, etc...

## Primitive Candidates

Select	$(X \geq Y)$
Depth	$(f \ddot{o} k)$
Behind	$(f \circ h)$
Under	$(f \check{\nabla} g)$
Obverse	$(f \check{\nabla} g)$





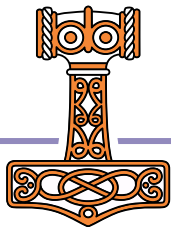
# 10. APL Language

**Thursday 10:00** Filling the Core Language Gaps  
(Adám Brudzewsky)



JD might present some ideas today and tomorrow...

... but I'm not allowed to say

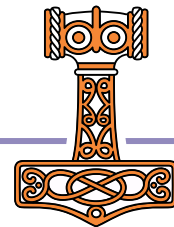




# Ten Lane Highway



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# The Road Ahead

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