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#### News from Dyalog

Stine Kromberg, CEO Morten Kromberg, CTO

#### A New Face at the Helm

- Stine Kromberg
- MSc in Business Administration and Information Systems
- Grew up with APL but not an APL'er
- Officially 4.5 years with Dyalog
- 10 months as CEO



### Future of Dyalog

- [Many] New faces
- Same direction, same values!
- First support current users
- Build the tools and support for new users
- Help train the next generation of users





### The Challenge and the Forge

for new and current developers



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# Road Map - 2023



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# Road Map - 2024

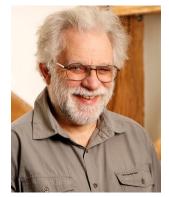


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#### Retired

- Geoff Streeter
- Gitte Christensen
- Peter Donnelly







U17 (29/11): Let's Put the Future Behind Us (Panel Discussion)





#### Dyalog – The Next Generation

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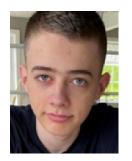


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U18 (29/11): The New Breed Plugs In (Panel Discussion)



#### Dyalog – The Next Generation





2024 Summer Interns

U03 next week: raylib-apl (Brian Ellingsgaard)

U07 tomorrow: Climbing Trees and Catching Bugs (Asher Harvey-Smith)







Karl Holt (February, Århus, DK)

- Karl is a member of the APL Tools Group and an APL Consultant
- Karl is working on the emulator for APL+Win GUI (□WI)

Tomorrow, Here: Migrating APL+Win GUI

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#### Brandon Wilson (July, 昭和村 / Shōwa, Japan)

- Brandon is heading up our Static Analysis project
- Working with Aaron Hsu to enhance the co-dfns compiler to support the project

D06 (22/11): Static Analysis of APL in APL

D14 (22/11): Data Parallel Proof Verification in APL





# Martina Crippa (August, Copenhagen)

- Martina is a member of the APL Tools group and a Consultant
- Martina also works in C++
- Her first projects are a Kafka interface (C++) and the Dyalog File Server (APL)

Kafka is an Event Streaming Platform

(message queue)





#### Neil Kirsopp (Gunzenhausen, Bavaria)

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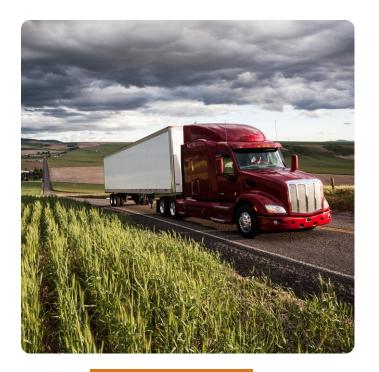
Tomorrow, Here: Migrating GUI to the Cloud

- Neil is a JavaScript developer (amongst many things)
- Also an APL enthusiast
- He will work on enhancing EWC, and also take over RIDE development
- ... and look at a VS Code / Emacs plugin



### Big Things Heading Your Way

- Array Notation
- Set & Get Variables
- Token-by-Token Debugging
- Everywhere WC
- Reverse Compose





#### **Array Notation**

```
('Three'
z+,c'Three'
                        'Blind'
z, +c'Blind'
                        'Mice')
z, +c'Mice'
z+0,0 6 1 8
z-+ 1 4 1 4
z-+ 2 7 1 8
                        3 1 4 2]
z-+ 3 1 4 2
                       [10
z+-,10
z-+20
                        20
                        30
z-+30
z-+40
                        40]
```

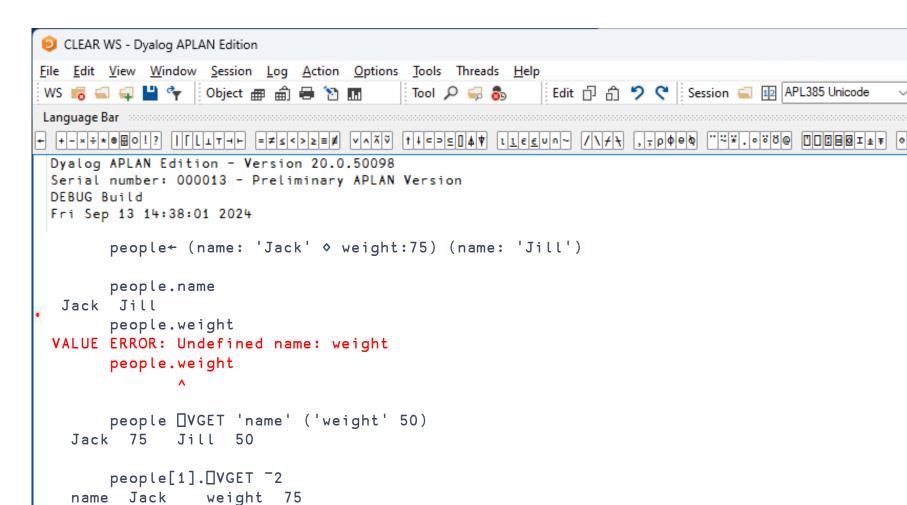
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#### Namespace Notation

```
person←(first: 'Max' ◊ last: 'Mustermann')
      person.last,', ',person.first
Mustermann, Max
      person.(first,' ',last)
Max Mustermann
```

D03: Array Notation: A Journey of Discovery (John Daintree)





#### Set and Get Variables

```
Get:
```

```
[source] [VGET 'Name' ('Height' -1) A Values w/optional defaults
```

#### Name List with Values:

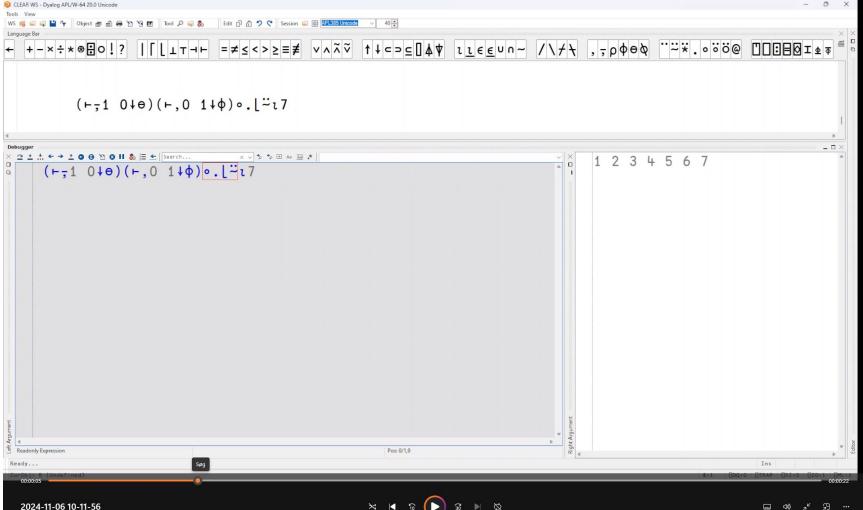
D04: Setting and Getting Variables (Adam Brudzewsky)

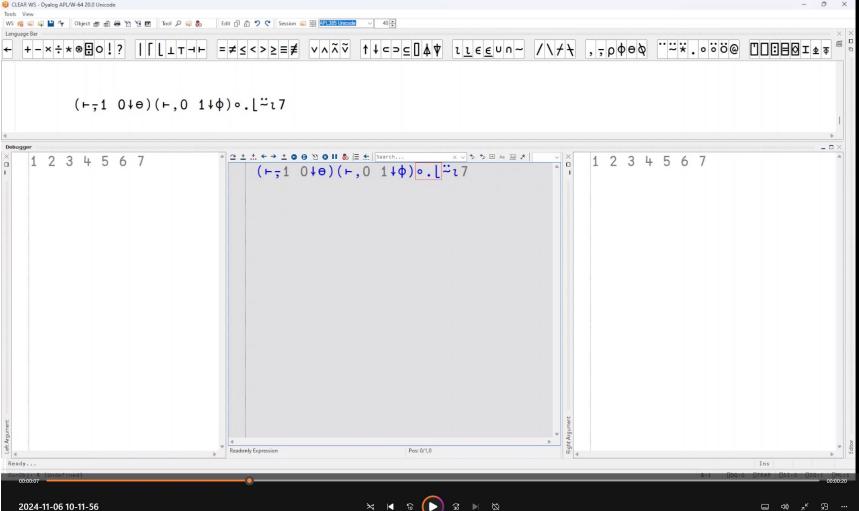
#### Set:

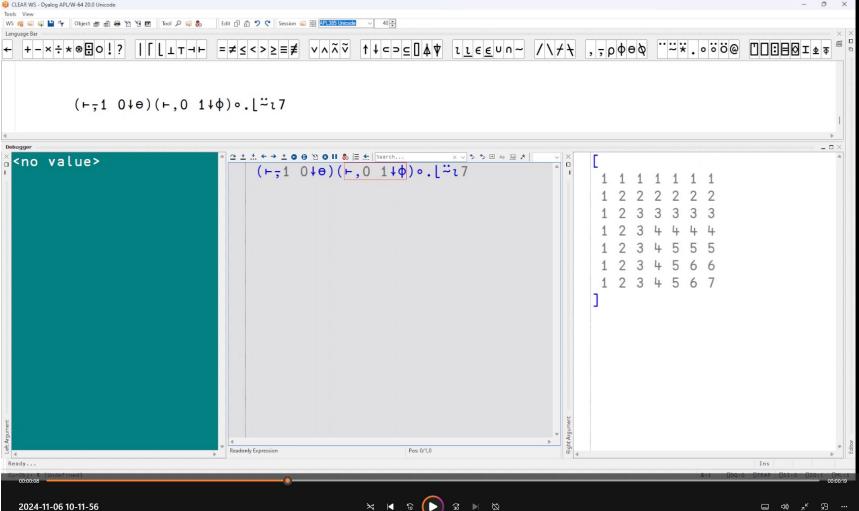
```
ref←[target] □VSET ('First' 'Lieschen')('Last' 'Müller')
ref←[target] □VSET (2 5p'FirstLast ')('Max' 'Munstermann')
```

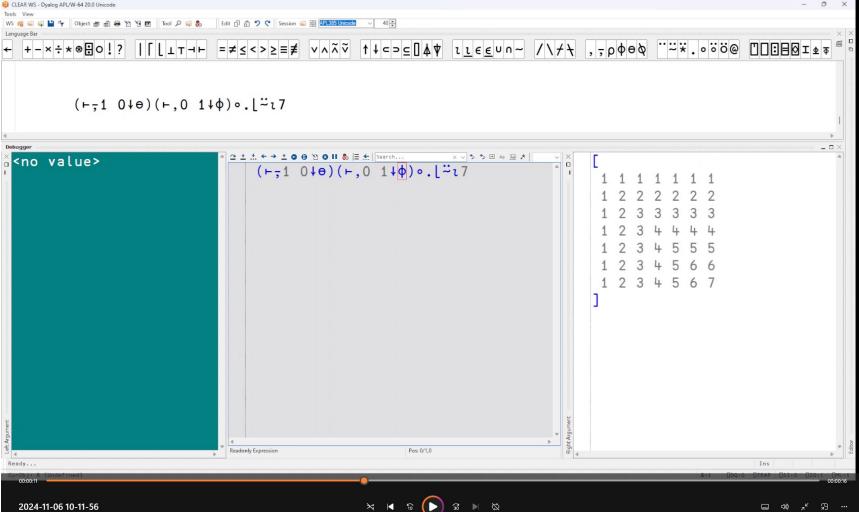
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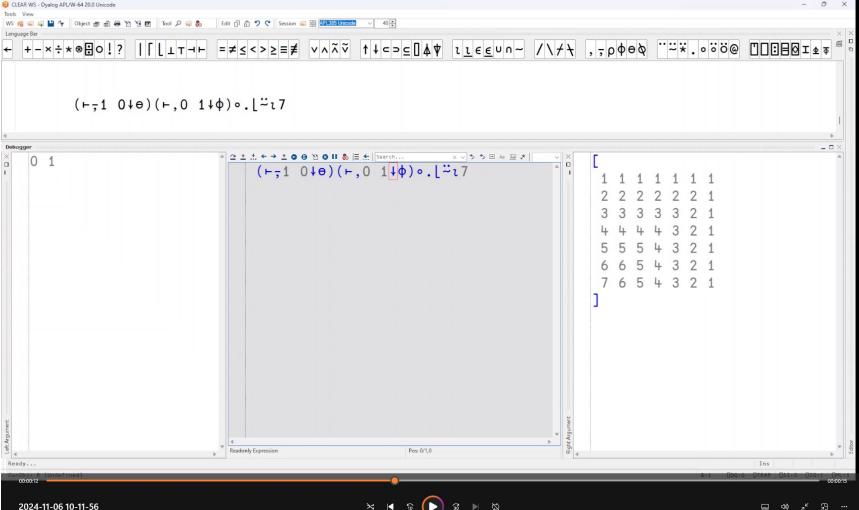
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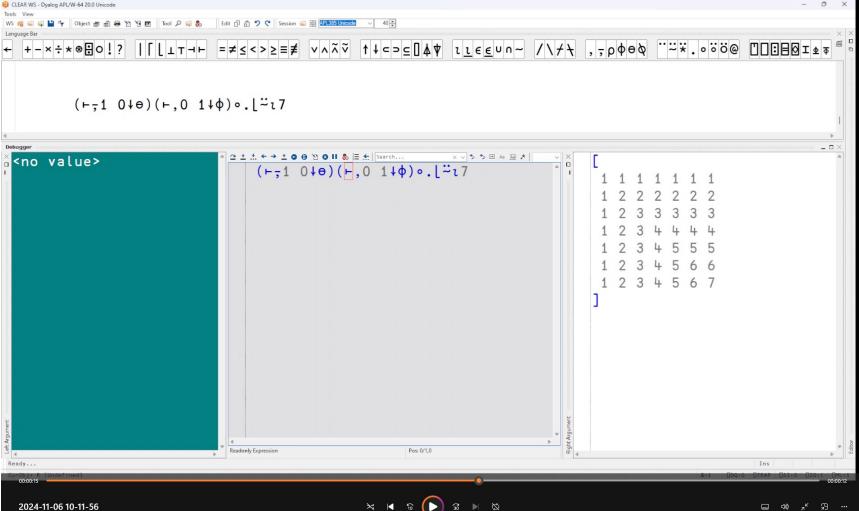


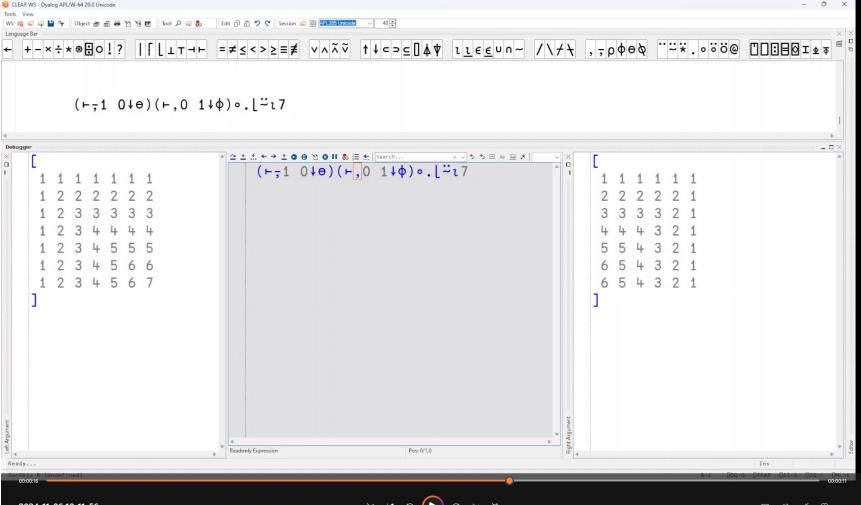


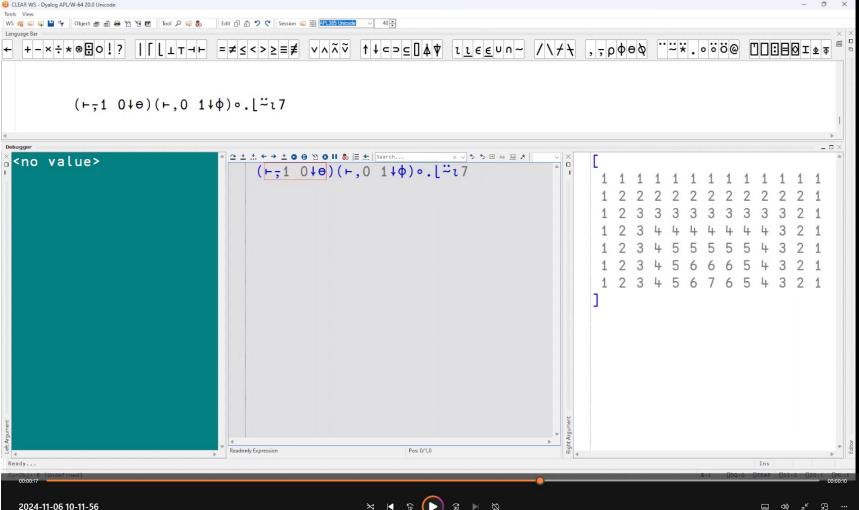


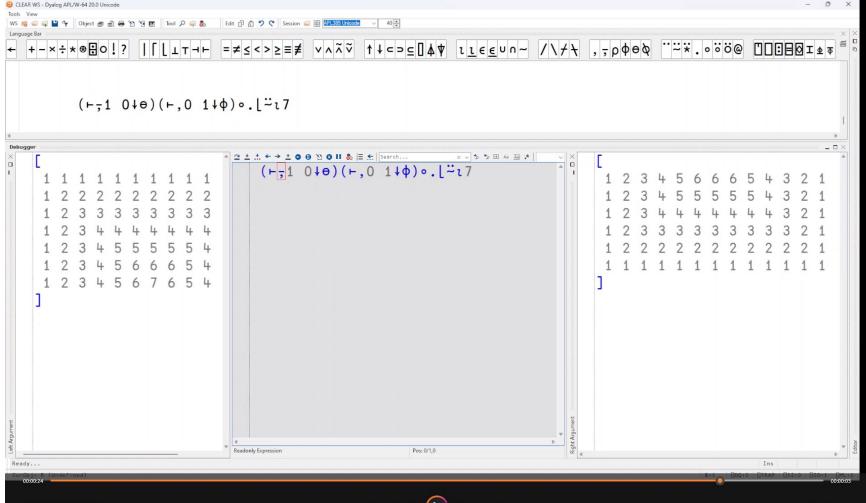


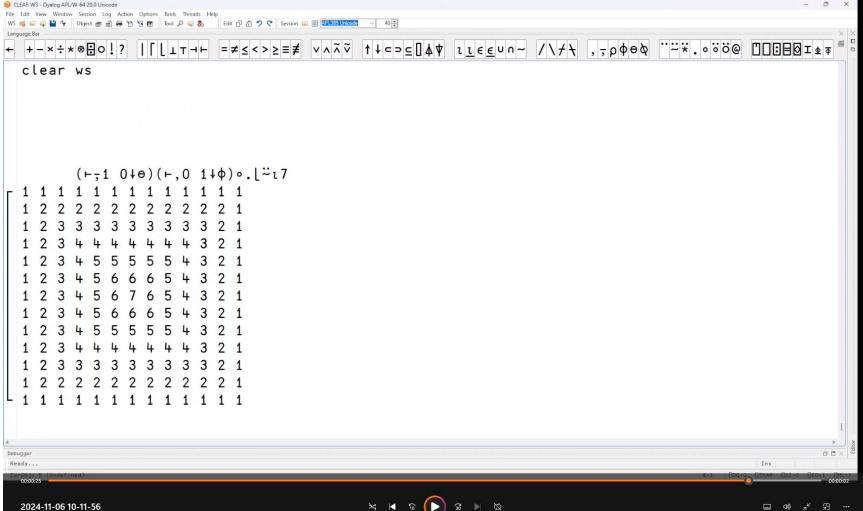










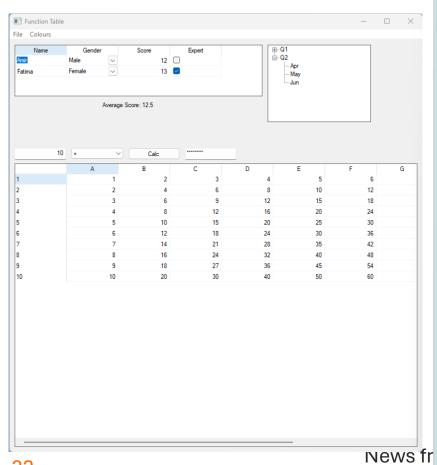


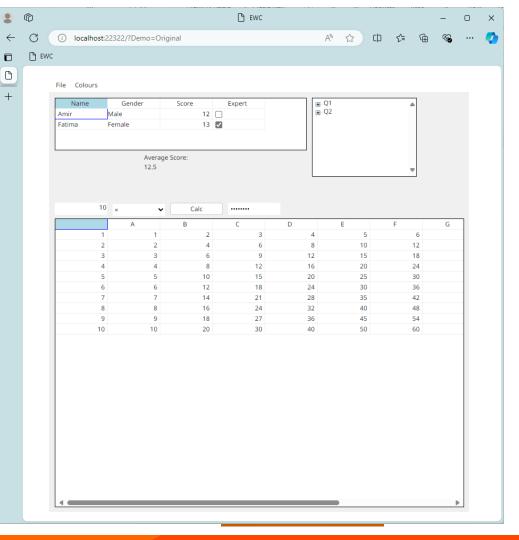
### EWC – "Everywhere" WC

- A JavaScript emulation of Dyalog's Win32 wrappers ( WC, WG, WS ...)
- "Everywhere" means
  - Windows, Linux, macOS Desktops
  - Dyalog APL on any platform acting as a Web Server
    - Adds IBM AIX, Raspberry Pi

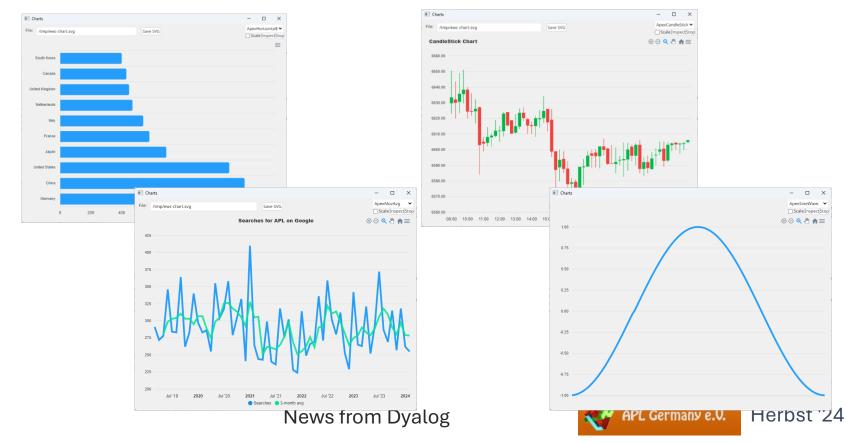


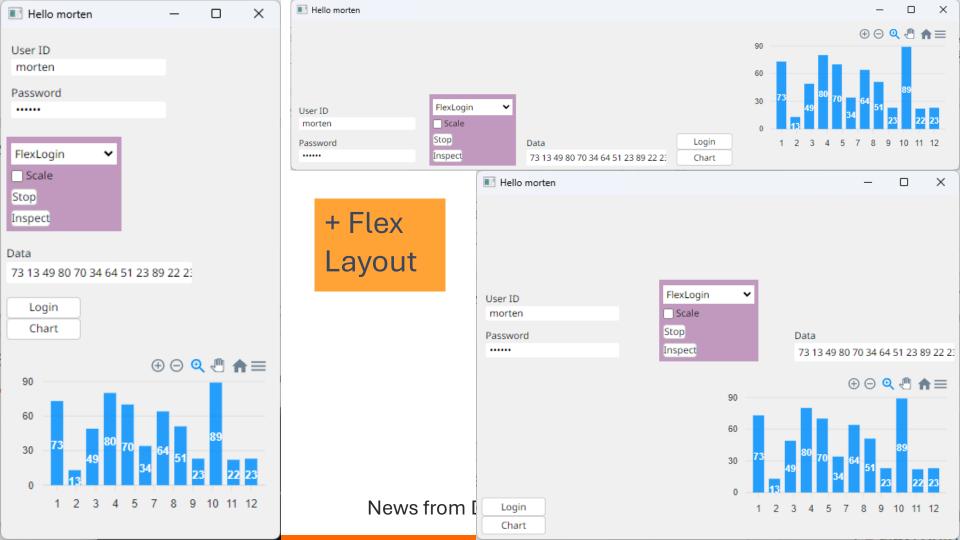






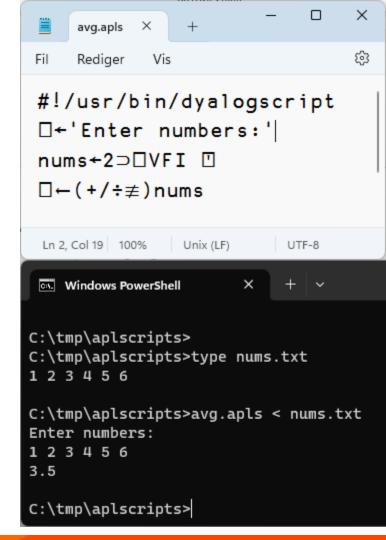
#### + ApexCharts





## Script Support

- #! (hash bang) scripting
- Script engine is critical for new users
- Makes "Continuous Integration" easier
- Still a bit of a prototype in v19.0
- Will be improved in v20.0
  - Need to be able to debug scripts via RIDE



## Behind / Reverse Compose

```
Dyadic: \alpha \ f \circ g \ \omega \ \longleftrightarrow \ (f \ \alpha) \ g \ \omega
101 \circ \epsilon 2 \ 3 \ 5 \ 8
0 \ 1 \ 1 \ 0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 0
```



## Behind / Reverse Compose

```
Monadic: f \circ g \omega \longleftrightarrow (f \omega) g \omega
```

```
f ← 5 ∘ < A Predicate function f ∘ ≠ 2 7 1 8 2 8 A Filter by f
7 8 8

[/∘= 2 7 1 8 2 8 3 A Max behind Equal 0 0 0 1 0 1 0
```



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#### D11: New Tatin Packages (Brian Becker)



### Tatin

Package manager for Dyalog APL (A tasty way to package APLs)

```
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               ]z←tatin.listPackages
               \{\alpha, \neq \omega\} = \{(-1 + \omega \iota' - ') \uparrow \omega\}  "3 \downarrow z [; 1]
      aplteam
                     42
      davin
       dyalog
               -2 ↑ z
       dyalog-HttpCommand
      dyalog-Jarvis
```

```
2024
            ]z←tatin.listPackages
            \{\alpha, \neq \omega\} = \{(-1+\omega\iota'-')\uparrow\omega\} \cdot 3\downarrow z[;1]
     aplteam
    davin
    dyalog
                   5 A 150% growth!
            <sup>-</sup>5 ↑ z
     dyalog-APLProcess
     dyalog-HttpCommand
     dyalog-Jarvis
     dyalog-NuGet
     dyalog-OpenAI
```

### Medium Things on The Way

- New Shell System Function
- .NET Bridge Enhancements
- HTMLRenderer Enhancements
- Static Analysis of APL Code
- Health Monitor
- HTMLRenderer Enhancements





# ☐SHELL to replace complement ☐SH

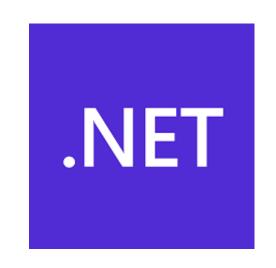
#### Invoke OS commands from APL

- Interruptible
- Optionally return data as an asynchronous stream
- Manage stdin, stdout & stderr (& other streams) independently
- Handle variety of data encodings

D12: New Function for Shell Calls (Peter Mikkelsen)

# .NET Bridge Enhancements

- The v19.0 bridge to .NET 6/7/8 is now equivalent to the Framework bridge
- New features will ONLY target the new .NET versions (8+):
  - Generics, Delegates
  - Async Methods (probably not v20.0)



### Static Analysis of APL Code

- Static Analysis of application code is seen as a required "best practice" by some corporations
- We are building a prototype of a tool which will
  - Detect vulnerabilities and other bad practices
  - "Lint" APL Code
- This tool will initially be licensed separately
- A free "community edition" may follow

D06 (22/11): Static Analysis of APL in APL (Brandon Wilson)

D13 (22/11): Co-dfns Roadmap and Updates (Aaron Hsu)

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#### HTMLRenderer Enhancements

The HTMLRenderer continues to grow in importance

- File Upload
- Modal HTMLRenderer Windows
- More control over "Chrome"
  - The EWC project will accelerate the evolution of the HTMLRenderer (more tomorrow)

## Small Things

- ININFO w/Callbacks
- Set File Attributes usingNATTRIBUTES
- Unicode decomposition / normal forms



# Laying New Foundations

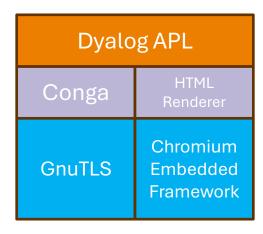
- Relax Interpreter Limits
- Artificial Intelligence



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## An Open [Source] Plugin Architecture

- A modern replacement for Auxiliary Processors
  - Uses Direct Workspace Access (DWA) for high performance
  - Accessible via **WC / NEW**
- Make interpreter extensions open source, eg.
  - HTMLRenderer, Conga (our TCP platform)
  - Cryptographic Library
- Many of these are interfaces to open source components

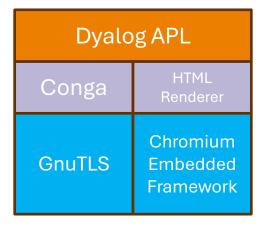




### Plugin Architecture Benefits

- Allow users to move faster
  - Adopt new versions of Chromium or OpenSSL
- Make the Dyalog community more inclusive
  - Allow users to contribute to our eco-system
- Users can develop and share new extensions
- Makes our encryption tools transparent and verifyable
  - → Easier to comply with FOSS licence constraints

D05: WC Plugins (John Daintree)



## Relax Interpreter Limits

We plan to relax limitations in the interpreter, like:

- Max Rank (15)
- Number of tokens in a line (4,095)
- Number of token types
- (and many more)

### Relax Limits – Why Now?

- We need more token types for new primitives, new control structures, array notation, ...
- Migrants to Dyalog have functions with >9,999 lines ☺☺
- Challenge: Structure has not changed for decades
  - (except adding new types like Unicode and Complex Numbers)

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- Must avoid "big bang" data conversion
  - Different versions of APL must share data
  - (Restore & use archived component files)

D16: Interpreter Limits (John Daintree)



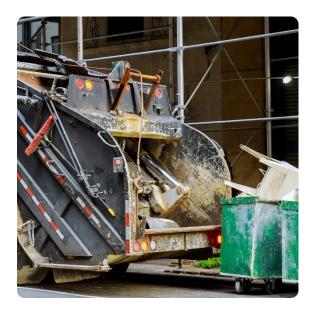
### Artificial Intelligence

#### Research Into:

- OpenAl interface (Tatin Package)
- Using "Language Models" to search our Documentation
- Are Language Models good enough for a meaningful "APL Co-Pilot?"
  - (at least for newcomers to APL)

## Tidying Up

- PCRE 10.x
  - Upgrade \( \Bar{\text{R}} \) \( \Bar{\text{L}} \) \( \Bar{\
- Documentation Format





#### Documentation

- help.dyalog.com and "core" documentation will be produced using MkDocs on GitHub
- Anyone (including you) can raise "issues"
  - Or even submit "Pull requests"
  - You CAN still email docs@ or support@
- Some tools already use MkDocs...



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Link User Guide

DVALOC

Overview

#### Introduction

Technical Details and Limitations

Workspaces

History of source files as text in Dyalog

Install and Upgrade

Installation

Version 4.0 Release Notes

Working with Link

Basic Usage

Array Formats

Configuration Files

Setting Up Your Application

Converting an Existing Workspace to use Link

**API & Command Reference** 

**API** Overview

Link.Add

#### Introduction

Link allows you to use Unicode text files to store APL source code, rather than "traditional" binary workspaces. The benefits of using Link and text files include:

- It is easy to use source code management (SCM) tools like Git or Subversion to manage your code. Although an SCM is not a requirement for Link, Dyalog highly recommends using Git or similar systems to manage source code that Link will load into your APL session.
- Changes to your code are **immediately** written to file: there is no need to remember to save your work. The assumption is that you will make the record permanent with a commit to your source code management system, when the time is right.
- · Unlike binary workspaces, text source can usually be shared between different versions of API - or even with human readers or writers who don't have API installed at all.

#### Link is NOT...

- A source code management system: Link itself has no source code management features. As mentioned above, you will need to use a separate tool like Git to manage the source files that Link will allow you to use and modify from Dyalog APL.
- A database management system: although Link is able to store APL arrays using a pre-

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Link is NOT...

Link fundamentals

Functions vs. User Commands

User commands

API functions

Further reading

Frequently Asked Questions

### Documentation: Why change?

- Easier to contribute
  - Internally and externally (and Pete has retired)

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- Open formats, platform agnostic tools
- Better search
- Human-friendly, predictable URLs, like https://docs.dyalog.com/20.0/objectreference/properties/depth/



#### **Documentation** Release Notes V19.0 Windows Installation > **UNIX Installation** > Programmer's Guide > Language Reference > Object Reference > Windows UI Guide > Interface Guide .NET Interface > UNIX User Guide >

#### Dyalog APL v20.0 Documentation

Welcome! This is the official documentation for Dyalog APL version 20.0.

#### (E) Release Notes v20.0

New and improved since the last release

→ Release Notes

#### March Installation and Configuration

How to install and configure Dyalog APL

- Windows Installation and **Configuration Guide**
- ( ) UNIX Installation and Configuration Guide

#### Reference Guides

Reference guides for Dyalog APL and system interfaces

- Programming Reference Guide
- Dyalog APL Language Reference Guide
- → Object Reference Guide
- Microsoft Windows: Interface Guide
- → Microsoft Windows: .NET Framework Interface Guide

#### Ul Guides

The Dyalog APL Development Environment

- Microsoft Windows UI Guide
- → UNIX User Guide

#### Other Stuff

- Link v4.1
- Kafka Interface
- Telemetry
- BSIMM Audit
- Isolates connect back to server
  - (Docker containers)

- Performance
  - Set functions
  - NSs kept alive by children
  - Garbage Collector
- Exhaustive Primitive Tests

- 64-bit ARM support
  - (Pi & AWS Image)
- New Mac installer
- Directory naming
- Keyboard layouts
- Platform Features





#### **Big Things**

- Array Notation
- Set & Get Variables
- Token-by-Token Tracing
- Everywhere WC
- Script Support
- Reverse Compose



#### **New Foundations**

- **UWC** Plugin Mechanism
  - Open-source more components
  - HTMLRenderer, Conga, Crypto Library
- Relax Interpreter Limits
- New UCMD mechanism



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### Thank You!



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