

Pharo. One Year Later

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Pharo?

Why do we not continuously improve

what we use

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Pharo

A ***flexible*** environment to support the
innovation in/of Smalltalk.



Pharo

A ***robust*** environment to support doing
business in Smalltalk.

And?

Since Last year

- 535 Updates
- >1050 Issues closed
- 5 Pharo Sprints
- 1 “Deep into Smalltalk” School (Focus: VM)

Since Last year

- ✦ 1.3 is released
- ✦ 1.4 alpha started
- ✦ Jenkins server for testing release
- ✦ All VMs are automatically generated using Jenkins

Since Last year

- ✦ Hired Igor Stasenko Nov 2011
- ✦ Second Full Time Engineer in Feb 2012
- ✦ Pharo Consortium: Got OK from INRIA

Industry Success

- ✦ **Seaside.st**
- ✦ **Yesplan.be, netstyle.ch, pinesoft.co.uk.....**
- ✦ **Pier, DrGeo**
- ✦ **Cmsbox.ch:** Content Management
- ✦ **beta9.be:** T3 Easy (Pharo server side)
- ✦ **Moose:** www.moose-technology.org
- ✦ **Airflowing**

Community Projects

- Better widgets (A. Plantec, G. Chambers, B. van Ryseghem)
- Better browsers (B. van Ryseghem, C. Bruni)
- Key mapper (G. Polito)
- Serializer (M. Dias, M. Martinez-Peck), Full Proxy (M. Martinez-Peck)
- New source code model: Ring (V. Uquillas Gomez, A. Kellens, S. Ducasse)
- New compiler (J. Ressia/M. Denker/JB Arnaud)
- Zoomable interface (I. Stasenko)
- Bootstrap (B. van Ryseghem/S. Ducasse)
- Package distribution infrastructure (D. Henrichs)
- Network (Zinc S. van Caekenberghe, Ocean N. Bouraqadi, L. Fabresse, J. Laval)
- Remote Smalltalk (N. Papoulias and N. Bouraqadi)

It is Working!

Progress is
Accelerating

Feedback Loop

Roadmap

Code Model Infrastructure

- ✦ Able to query all the versions
- ✦ What were the senders of this method in version 13168?
- ✦ What is the diff between the senders in the past and the one now?
- ✦ Support for merging
- ✦ Distributed source code

(Veronica Uquillaz-Gomez)

Code Model Infrastructure

- ✦ Ring (V. Uquillaz Gomes/A. Kellens/S.Ducasse)
 - ✦ Source code metamodel
 - ✦ API compatible with Smalltalk objects
- ✦ Adding layers on top of it
- ✦ Porting all the tools to use it!
- ✦ Reuse tools

Next Steps

- ✦ Server for queries
- ✦ New source code model

Athens Graphics

- ✦ New Canvas
 - ✦ Vector Graphics API
 - ✦ Layered Architecture
 - ✦ Backend Cairo /
OpenGL OpenVG....
- ✦ (Igor Stasenko)

Next Steps

- ✦ OpenGL bindings using NativeBoost
 - ✦ done on Windows
- ✦ Stabilize API
- ✦ Adapt Morphic

Opal

- ✦ We need a more flexible and simpler compiler ✦
 - ✦ Hooks for DSL support
 - ✦ Better API
 - ✦ New generation of tools
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- ✦ (J. Ressia/M. Denker/JB Arnaud)

Next Steps

- ✦ To be added in 1.5
- ✦ Throw away the old compiler
- ✦ Then improving the API

Fuel: Fast Serialization

- ✦ Don't use ImageSegment (removed in 1.4)
 - ✦ Fuel is faster (!!)
 - ✦ Much more flexible and easier to understand
- ✦ Done by M. Diaz, M. Martinez-Peck, (T. Bourgeois & S. Ducasse)

Next Steps

- ✦ Replace existing serializers
- ✦ Migration path
- ✦ Binary code loader

Scripting Syntax: Coral

- ✦ We want to write scripts in Pharo :)
 - ✦ Headless
 - ✦ REPL
 - ✦ Good OS interface (OSProcess for now)
- ✦ So we get Coral
 - ✦ (D. Pollet and S. Ducasse)

Browsers and Tools

- ✦ Throw away StringHolder hierarchy (Yes Browser inherits from StringHolder)
- ✦ Browser based on a model
- ✦ Nautilus by B. van Ryseghem
- ✦ Glamour

Mini Image and Bootstrap

- ✦ Pavel's Mini image
 - ✦ 4.2 mb for Seaside
- ✦ Work on declarative bootstrapped kernel
 - ✦ Analyzed existing solutions

Pharo Consortium

- ✦ How to sustain Pharo?
- ✦ How to structure the community?
- ✦ Can we always rely on peoples free time?

Consortium

- ✦ You can participate to the consortium:
 - ✦ Pay a fee (company)
 - ✦ Individual (free)
- ✦ The consortium will pay a full-time engineer to support Pharo tasks

Consortium FAQ

- ✦ Pharo will stay free!
- ✦ No negative impact: just a better Pharo
- ✦ Idea: Organizations should be able to pay
 - ✦ Membership
 - ✦ Morale License

When

- ✦ Started discussions with INRIA two years ago
- ✦ INRIA is ok to put money on the table
 - ✦ 1 Engineer for one Year
- ✦ More than 25 companies are interested
- ✦ Join!

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