
Subject: Re: C++ FQA

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Mindtraveller wrote on Wed, 07 November 2007 18:13cbppporterThey are by far not uncontrollable, and only happen in some apps.OK, as a developer who likes D programming paradigm, and who wants writing efficient applications, I will consider changing language to D if

1) There`s a simple way to guarantee no hangups at all.

2) My .exe will be <10%-15% slower than corresponding C++ code in any case.

3) Add to mix memory requirements. In that "Alice" benchmark, D used about 2-3 times more memory than U++ (if I remember well).

BTW, it is some time when I last tried it. I would really be very glad if somebody reproduced my results; here is U++ code:

```
#include <Core/Core.h>
```

```
using namespace Upp;
```

```
#define BENCHMARK // for benchmark purposes, output is omitted
```

```
#ifdef BENCHMARK
```

```
#define BENCHBEG for(int i = 0; i < 1000; i++) {
```

```
#define BENCHEND }
```

```
#else
```

```
#define BENCHBEG
```

```
#define BENCHEND
```

```
#endif
```

```
void main(int argc, const char *argv[])
```

```
{
```

```
    VectorMap<String, int> map;
```

```
    BENCHBEG
```

```
    for(int i = 1; i < argc; i++) {
```

```
        String f = LoadFile(argv[i]);
```

```
        int line = 1;
```

```
        const char *q = f;
```

```
        for(;;) {
```

```
            int c = *q;
```

```
            if(IsAlpha(c)) {
```

```
                const char *b = q++;
```

```
                while(IsAlNum(*q)) q++;
```

```
                map.GetAdd(String(b, q), 0)++;
```

```
            }
```

```
        else {
```

```

    if(!c) break;
    if(c == '\n')
        ++line;
    q++;
}
}
}
BENCHEND
Vector<int> order = GetSortOrder(map.GetKeys());
#ifdef BENCHMARK
for(int i = 0; i < order.GetCount(); i++)
    Cout() << map.GetKey(order[i]) << ": " << map[order[i]] << '\n';
#endif
printf("%d\n", map.GetCount());
}

```

(I had to loop over it more times, otherwise the execution for Alice.txt was too fast to be measurable).

Quote:

P.S. luzr, I just thought that D and U++ comparison is not quite honest. It would be better to compare internal language features of D and C++. According to the tests described in D site (I looked at them as you recommended), D is no slower than C++ (at least in some cases?). So porting the U++ classes and algorithms to D, adopting them for D specifics could make U+D (U++ for D) as fast as original U++. It's just a theory, of course.

I think this is not quite possible, as language features are way too different.

OTOH, in this particular benchmark, D is using internal language features, while C++/U++ is using library. Still, we are faster and the code is shorter. That IMO says a lot about language flexibility.

Mirek
