
Subject: Re: Python for your applications

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Hello, Andrei.

I tested your test case on Windows XP 32 bit. My results are:

1. For 100000000

MSVC++ v9.0 SP1: 16 msec

Python v2.6.1: 3 sec, 156 msec

Python v3.0: 3 sec, 344 msec

2. For 1000000000

MSVC++ v9.0 SP1: 47 msec

Python v2.6.1: 31 sec, 828 msec

Python v3.0: 33 sec, 578 msec

3. For 10000000000

MSVC++ v9.0 SP1: 422 msec

Python v2.6.1: MemoryError

Python v3.0: 5 min, 25 sec, 781 msec.

Memory consumption of Python v2.6.1 are large (about 1.5 Gb of 3.25 Gb accessible memory for this test case). Python v3.0 - about 268 Kb.

Because in Windows I haven't the time program for benchmarking I created following gettimeofday program

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

```
using namespace Upp;
```

```
String FormatElapsedTime(double run)
```

```
{
    String rtime;
    int msec = int(run) % 1000;
    run /= 1000;
    double hrs = floor(run / 3600);
```

```
    if (hrs > 0) rtime << NFormat("%0n hours, ", hrs);
```

```
    int minsec = fround(run - 3600 * hrs);
    int min = minsec / 60, sec = minsec % 60;
```

```
    if (min || hrs) rtime << min << " min, ";
    if (sec || min) rtime << sec << " sec, ";
```

```
    rtime << msec << " msec";
    return rtime;
```

```

}

CONSOLE_APP_MAIN
{
    const Vector<String>& cmdline = CommandLine();

    if (cmdline.GetCount() == 0)
    {
        Cout() << "Not enough command line arguments\n";
        exit(0);
    }

    StringBuffer sb;

    for (int i = 0, n = cmdline.GetCount(); i < n; ++i)
    {
        sb << cmdline[i];
        if (i < n - 1) sb << " ";
    }

    String output;
    TimeStop ts;
    int exitCode = Sys(String(sb), output);
    double elapsed = ts.Elapsed();

    Cout() << "Elapsed: " << FormatElapsedTime(elapsed) << EOL
        << "Exit code: " << AsString(exitCode) << EOL;

    if (!output.IsEmpty()) Cout() << "Output:\n" << output;
}

```

Then I compiled test case python script to optimized bytecode using following batch file (also with benchmarking):

```

rem benchmark.bat
SETLOCAL
SET Python26=C:\Python26
SET Python30=C:\Python30
SET DirectoryToCompile=%~p0

gettime cpptest

%Python26%\python -O %Python26%\Lib\compileall.py %DirectoryToCompile%
gettime %Python26%\python pytest.pyo
del *.pyo

%Python30%\python -O %Python30%\Lib\compileall.py %DirectoryToCompile%

```

```
gettime %Python30%\python pytest.pyo
del *.pyo
```

You can try Lua programming language. I created similar test case:

```
-- luatest.lua
function fun(x)
  return x + 1
end

for x = 0, 1000000000 do
  y = fun(x)
end
```

My results are:

```
1. For 100000000
Lua v5.1.4: 1 sec, 171 msec
2. For 1000000000
Lua v5.1.4: 11 sec, 469 msec
3. For 10000000000
Lua v5.1.4: 1 min, 54 sec, 391 msec.
```

And memory consumption about 112 Kb.

Also for comparison purposes I created test cases for PHP

```
<?php
// phptest.php
function fun($x)
{
  return $x + 1;
}

for ($x = 0; $x < 1000000000; ++$x)
{
  $y = fun($x);
}
?>
```

and Perl:

```
# perltest.pl
sub fun
{
  my $x = shift;
  return $x + 1;
}
```

```
for my $x (0 .. 1000000000)
{
    my $y = fun($x);
}
```

with:

```
gettime php -n -f phptest.php
gettime perl perltest.pl
```

My results are:

```
1. For 100000000
PHP v5.2.8: 8 sec, 656 msec
Perl v5.10.0: 6 sec, 187 msec
2. For 1000000000
PHP v5.2.8: 1 min, 15 sec, 78 msec
Perl v5.10.0: 1 min, 1 sec, 422 msec
3. For 10000000000
PHP v5.2.8: 12 min, 37 sec, 172 msec
Perl v5.10.0: 10 min, 14 sec, 157 msec.
```

Memory consumption:

```
PHP v5.2.8: 388 Kb
Perl v5.10.0: 268 Kb.
```

Added:

The correct cpptest.cpp file are follows:

```
int fun(int x)
{
    return x + 1;
}

int main()
{
    int y;

    for(int x = 0; x < 10000000000; ++x)
    {
        y = fun(x);
    }

    return y;
}
```

And what about C++ (or JavaScript) interpreter embedded into your program? Examples: Ch, CINT C/C++ Interpreter.

Added:

1. For 100000000

Cint v5.16.19: 5 sec, 703 msec

2. For 1000000000

Cint v5.16.19: 47 sec, 562 msec

3. For 10000000000

Cint v5.16.19: 7 min, 44 sec, 719 msec.

Memory consumption of Cint v5.16.19: 260 Kb.

Updated and added:

Result table:

Name

1. MSVC++ v9.0 SP1

2. GNU GCC v4.2.4 TDM-1

3. Python v2.6.1

4. Python v2.6.1 with xrange

5. Python v3.0

6. Lua v5.1.4

7. PHP v5.2.8

8. Perl v5.10.0

9. Cint v5.16.19

#	100000000	1000000000	10000000000
1.	16 msec	47 msec	422 msec
2.	31 msec	31 msec	31 msec
3.	3 sec, 156 msec	31 sec, 828 msec	MemoryError
4.	3 sec, 860 msec	28 sec, 938 msec	4 min, 38 sec, 157 msec
5.	3 sec, 344 msec	33 sec, 578 msec	5 min, 25 sec, 781 msec
6.	1 sec, 171 msec	11 sec, 469 msec	1 min, 54 sec, 391 msec
7.	8 sec, 656 msec	1 min, 15 sec, 78 msec	12 min, 37 sec, 172 msec
8.	6 sec, 187 msec	1 min, 1 sec, 422 msec	10 min, 14 sec, 157 msec
9.	5 sec, 703 msec	47 sec, 562 msec	7 min, 44 sec, 719 msec