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Summary

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The Apache Harmony community remains healthy, and has recently created new milestone builds. The lack of a JCK continues to be an issue for Harmony, with still no end in sight.

Development and Releases

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The Harmony community continues to publish regular milestones from the 5.0 SE and 6.0 SE branches. We have just finished a vote on the Apache Harmony 5.0 Milestone 15 and Apache Harmony 6.0 Milestone 3 source and are in the process of pushing them out to the mirrors. These new milestones are primarily bug fix releases with about 70 JIRAs having been fixed between them.

In addition to code defect fixing, there is work on a new JSSE implementation based upon OpenSSL. There is also continued work on "Harmony Select", which is a headless runtime profile derived from the existing code, with regular builds now taking place on the Apache Hudson servers.

We have had new developers in the project, producing a jdb debug client, and improving our imageio functionality.

Traffic on the developer mailing list is steady, representing the increased maturity of the code. People remain responsive to questions and comments.

Community

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There were no changes to the Harmony PMC or committers during the last reporting period, and there are now 50 committers of which ~7 were active this period.

The Harmony community includes Google Summer of Code participants who are making a good contribution to the code and community, and a number of new contributors from face-to-face community events.

Other

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As the Board is aware, a recent lawsuit concerning Oracle vs. Google has resulted in various commentators speculating about Google's use of Apache Harmony code. The Apache Harmony PMC have not been notified of any involvement.