
Subject: Re: Coyote Library Updates

Posted by [Helder Marchetto](#) on Tue, 28 Jan 2014 21:17:03 GMT

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On Tuesday, January 28, 2014 9:18:48 PM UTC+1, David Fanning wrote:

> Helder writes:

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>> given the fact that I have no idea what is happening when I daily execute my svn checkout, it seems like I was using a different command and things where working. So, I'm using:

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>> svn checkout <http://idl-coyote.googlecode.com/svn/trunk/coyote>

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>> Now the question is: Should I use the address:

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>> http://idl-coyote.googlecode.com/svn/tags/coyote/coyote_library_6.0

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>> or

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>> <http://idl-coyote.googlecode.com/svn/trunk/coyote>

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>> I have implemented this operation in my task scheduler not to forget checking for updates.

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> No, you are doing things exactly right. :-)

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> You start your day the way I do. (Of course, we have good and bad days,

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> but hopefully more good than bad.) Paul wants a "stable" release. I'm

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> never sure exactly what that means, because I update these files

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> frequently (at least once a week and sometimes several times a day).

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> But, if a few days to go by and I haven't made any changes and Coyote

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> remembers to remind me, I make a tagged release.

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> I do try very hard to have the main repository in good shape at the end
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> of every day. I'm not perfect, but my score is pretty high.
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> I know it annoys people to have a lot of these files "retired". But, it
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> is a lot of work to get all the documentation changed over to the IDLDOC
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> style that I can have on my web page. I do it a little at a time now,
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> and only when I find I am using a particular program. Name space is
>
> getting crowded, and I would like to have all my programs with the "cg"
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> prefix. Eventually, I might get there. When I do make a change, I make
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> sure all my Library files reflect the change and all the articles on my
>
> web page reflect the change. This is a BIG job, which is another reason
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> I'm not anxious to do it often. Even a simple change to a routine that
>
> is not used much takes an hour or so to effect. Most changes take most
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> of an afternoon. Mistakes can be made. I typically wait a couple of days
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> to make a tagged release after a major upset. I've learned the hard way
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> to test documentation headers before I commit the files. :-)
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> Cheers,
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> David
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> Coyote's Guide to IDL Programming: <http://www.idlcoyote.com/>
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> Sepore ma de ni thue. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")

Hi David,
thank for your effort. I hope you understand that I wasn't criticizing, rather unsure if I was getting things right. I'm a lone programmer that uses the word "fork" only at lunch time and subversions in my world are mostly subdirectories. That's so much for my ignorance.
I'm grateful that I can use your library and have no problems updating my software to the "cg" changes. It takes me for sure less than it does for you (not because of efficiency, but because of the total nr of lines and dependencies) and if you compare that time to the time I save by using you library... well... then the ratio "cg-update"-to-"cg-gain" is a very very small one and I'm happy to invest time in "cg-updates".
Thanks.
Helder
