

C++ as a service — rapid software development and dynamic interoperability with Python and beyond

Interactive C++: cling and clang-repl

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GSoC



Garima Singh

Add support for numerical differentiation fallback in Clad



Ajay Uppili Arasanipalai

Modernize the LLVM “Building A JIT” Tutorial Series



Baidyanath Kundu

Utilize second order derivatives from Clad in ROOT



Parth Arora

Add support for differentiating functor objects in clad

Status. Clang-Repl

- ❖ The initial version of clang-repl landed! [[D96033](#)]

Status. Cling

- ❖ Reduced patches from our clang fork
 - ❖ D77598 (Integral template argument suffix printing) [Pratyush] — Landed in llvm but needs tuning to replace the patch in ROOT.
- ❖ Investigate crashes in Cling with the Thrust library — resolved by avoiding to rely on Thrust so far

Status. InterOp

- ❖ Second revision of the interoperability spec (requires some cleanup).
- ❖ Thanks to Wim we have defined a path forward with a deliverable basic template instantiation support when bridging python and clang-repl. The target is early fall.
- ❖ This work will also polish the requirements doc further and show code examples.

Status. Clad

- ❖ Resolve issues with Clad argument passing — clarified.
- ❖ Released Clad v0.8
- ❖ [Baidyanath] Working on proper tapenade-style array support in clad
- ❖ [Garima] Advances the user-extensible error estimation framework. Will work on preparing a generic clad tutorial.
- ❖ [Parth] Working on uploading doxygen documentation of clad on readthedocs. Prepares a tutorial on clad troubleshooting for developers.

Plans

- ❖ Start rebasing cling to LLVM13.
 - ❖ That would require a clad-like compatibility layer to maintain the llvm9 support
- ❖ Work on the Partial Translation Unit design for clang-repl
- ❖ Accelerate upstreaming clang patches
- ❖ Automatically differentiate the CUDA kernels (including computation scheduler)
- ❖ Enable Clad in xeus-cling

CaaS Open Projects

- ❖ Patches against clang.git
 - ❖ Implement FileManager uncaching
 - ❖ Adapt the user of invalidateCache to its new signature
 - ❖ Mark the file entry invalid, until reread
 - ❖ Propagate cache flags from LookupFile() to FileManager::getFile()
 - ❖ Pass the OpenFile flag also to DirectoryLookup
 - ❖ Do not load the source file just to get an irrelevant SourceLoc (ROOT-7111)
 - ❖ Allow interfaces to operate on in-memory buffers with no source location info [Pratyush Das]
- ❖ Open projects are tracked in out open projects page.

Next Meetings

- ❖ Monthly Meeting — 1st July, 1700 CET / 0800 PDT
- ❖ Ioana and Garima will talk about their projects in an IRIS-HEP topical meeting on 21st of June. Details [here](#).
- ❖ Tentative talk schedule:
 - ❖ OrcV2, Lang Hames, Apple, July
 - ❖ Language Interop Progress, Vassil, Princeton, Aug
 - ❖ Cppyy — how to bridge dynamically python and C++, Wim Lavrijsen, LBL, Sep

If you want to share your knowledge / experience with interactive C++ we can include presentations at an upcoming next meeting

Thank you!