Project Structure

Overview

PowerToys Run is divided across several projects to keep a logical separation between plugins and core functionality. The following sections provide a brief overview of each project.

Image of project dependency Fig 1. Project along with their dependencies in PowerToys Run ecosystem.

Project Description

PowerLauncher This is the startup project for the PowerToys Run. It is a WPF desktop application and follows the Model-View-ViewModel (MVVM) design pattern. Plugins play the role of Model and provide data to ViewModel.

PowerLauncher.Telemetry PowerLauncher.Telemetry is a .net core project that contains telemetry events generated by PowerLauncher. These events have been discussed in detail here.

Wox.Core Wox.Core is a .net core project that contains helper classes required by the PowerLauncher project. Two major functionalities encapsulated in this project are PluginManager and Query Builder. PluginManager provides an interface for managing C# plugins. Query Builder. decimate user-typed query string and creates a Query object. Query object contains the action keyword and cleaned query, which is then sent to all plugins.

Wox.Infrastructure Wox.Infrastructure is a .net core project that contains helper classes required for image manipulation and storage by the PowerLauncher project and the plugins. ImageLoader.cs class is used to load icons for Win32 program. It also provides caching functionality to speed up image loading for frequently queried programs.

Wox.Plugin Wox.Plugin contains interfaces that facilitate communication between PowerLauncher and plugins. These interfaces have been discussed in detail here. It also contains a helper class for logging. Log.cs provides an abstraction for logging error, information, and output to text files. These files are stored at %userprofile%/appdata/local/microsoft/powertoys/powertoys run/Logs.