



Eclipse C/C++ Development Tooling (CDT) Indigo Release Review

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Introduction

- Indigo Release – CDT 8.0
- Includes TCF which is now a sub-project of CDT
 - TCF has been tagged 0.4 for this release
 - A brief slide covering state of TCF at end of deck
- New and Noteworthy are here:
 - <http://wiki.eclipse.org/CDT/User/NewIn80>



Features - Core

- Codan hits mainstream
 - Static Analysis and Quick Fix framework
 - Previously optional feature, now part of main CDT feature
- Camel Case Code Completion
- Lightweight Rename Refactoring
 - JDT style, change name in editor
- Build Console clean up



Features - Debug

- Project-less Debugging
 - Now able to launch debug session without setting the Project
- GDB Pretty Printing
- DSF/GDB support for pending breakpoints
- Pin & Clone of debug views
 - Show multiple debug contexts at same time
- GDB Remote launch
 - Using RSE to download binary and launch gdbserver



Non-Code Aspects

- Little has changed for CDT in it's documentation, state of internationalization, etc.
- CDT wiki remains central repo for documentation created over the release
 - <http://wiki.eclipse.org/CDT>



APIs

- CDT 8.0 is another major release
- APIs continue to churn in certain areas
 - Particularly managed build and debug
- Confidence is not high that this won't happen again next release
 - More work needed on build model
 - Debug continues to evolve to support multi-context debugging



Architectural Issues

- Little has changed in the CDT architecture in this release



Tool Usability

- Build Console cleaned up to improve usability
- Pin & Clone introduced to help visualize views from different contexts at same time
- More work to be done in Build and New Project Wizard UI



End-of-Life

- CDT Full Indexer has been removed
 - Fast indexer much faster with almost same accuracy
- CDT CDI debug interface has ***NOT*** been deprecated
 - Most work happening on DSF front though



Bugzilla

- CDT contributors do not use priority/severity settings well enough to be useful
- 1285 bugs currently open
 - In line with status in previous releases
- 811 bugs have been fixed since last release (June 2010)
 - Also in line with previous releases



Standards

- C++ parser continues to gain support for C++11
 - C++11 standard approved this year
 - Matching support in gcc is the benchmark
- Continue to match GDB MI spec as gdb evolves
 - Support 6.8 - 7.2 with DSF, earlier with CDI



UI Usability

- CDT continues to support 508 compliance and internationalization
- CDT continues to fit well within the Eclipse Workbench



Schedule

- CDT follows the Indigo Release train schedule
 - All milestones met on time



Communities

- CDT continues to be one of the most diverse projects at Eclipse
 - >20 committers
- Discussions occur on cdt-dev mailing list
 - Technical discussions usually move to bugzilla
- CDT user forum very active as well



IP Issues

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- Frozen IP log to be listed at: <http://www.eclipse.org/cdt/releases/>



Project Plan

- CDT project plan usually set in September
- Work continues in all areas of CDT
 - Codan additional checkers and quality improvement
 - Build UI clean up and adoption of platform multi-config support
 - Debug support for multi-context continues
- CDT will move to git immediately following Indigo release
 - All branches moving, CVS repos will be archived
 - Adopt Tycho for building CDT artifacts



TCF

- TCF a fairly new project out of Wind River
 - Target Communication Framework with services architecture for managing targets through agents
 - Community still forming and code base evolving quickly
 - Previously in DSDP/TM but moved to subproject of CDT
- Indigo release will be numbered 0.4
 - Mainly included due to dependency from CDT's EDC debugger
 - Included in CDT's IP Log and release review for Indigo
- Release 1.0 will occur likely before Juno
 - Services API in good state
 - Plug-in rename to org.eclipse.tcf completed
 - Move from SVN to Git shortly after CDT's move

