Louis Dionne

Education

Jan 2013–Dec 2015

B.Sc Mathematics, Université Laval, Québec.

Experience

2014-present

C++ consulting, (finance, embedded systems).

Development of C++ libraries to retain a high level of abstraction in applications where both performance and correctness matter. Also some refactoring of existing systems to add new features and/or improve performance.

2014-present

Development of Hana, a Boost library for metaprogramming in C++14.

Design and implementation of a library to manipulate heterogeneous sequences at compile-time and at runtime. The library introduces a new paradigm for expressing meta-computations allowing a very high level of expressiveness with little to no performance penalty.

2014–2015 GSoC student with Boost, Google Summer of Code.

Work on Boost. Hana during the summers of 2014 and 2015 as part of the Google Summer of Code program. I also received a grant from the Boost Steering Committee to continue working during the winter of 2015, which had never been done before for a GSoC student.

2012 Intern, Coveo Solutions, Québec.

- Conception and implementation of a deadlock detection system for internal use
- Presentations on C++ techniques and idioms to co-workers:
 - The Boost.ConceptCheck library and associated TMP techniques
 - C++11 rvalue references

Talks

2014

- 2015 Metaprogramming: a paradigm shift (slides/video), CppCon, Seattle.
- 2015 Metaprogramming: a paradigm shift (slides), C++Now, Aspen. Awards for the best presentation and the most inspiring presentation
 - Metaprogramming in C++14 (french only slides), OpenCode XXII, Québec.
- 2014 Hana: Expressive metaprogramming (slides/video), CppCon, Seattle.
- Towards painless metaprogramming (slides/video), C++Now, Aspen.
- 2013 A system for resource deadlock prevention (slides/video), C++Now, Aspen.
- 2013 Deadlock detection with d2 (slides), OpenCode XII, Québec.
- 2013 Concept based overloading in C++ (slides), OpenCode IX, Québec.

Personal Projects

- mpl11 Conception and implementation of a C++11 replacement for the Boost.MPL Reimplemented the functionality of the Boost.MPL library using new template metaprogramming techniques made possible by C++11. Redesigned the API of the library using ideas from Haskell to make it more powerful, easier to use and to extend.
 - d2 Conception and implementation of a deadlock detection system in C++
 Detects deadlocks that would have happened under different thread scheduling conditions by performing intrusive dynamic analysis on a non-deadlocking run of a program.
 Additionally, provides satistics about lock and thread usage.
 - joy Implementation of a preprocessor metaprogramming library Implemented associative sequences and other utilities for preprocessor metaprogramming on top of the Chaos preprocessor library.

- nstl Conception and implementation of a generic algorithm library in pure C Implemented a basic name mangling system and "preprocessor-based classes" using PMP techniques. Using these facilities, implemented a subset of the C++ standard library algorithms. The result is a collection of generic algorithms instantiable and usable from pure C without sacrificing type safety or performance by using traditional techniques like pointers to void.
- duck Implementation of a minimal concept-based overloading library Implemented a subset of Boost.ConceptCheck's concepts as metafunctions, which allows overloading based on the modeling of a concept by a type.
- cisp Implementation of a minimalist object system with the preprocessor Created a system to manipulate complex preprocessor objects using associative sequences imbued with object semantics.
- nstl-lang Implementation of a translator for a toy language in Python Implemented basic parsing, semantic analysis and code generation to C.

Contributions to other projects

- Contribution of the hawick_circuits algorithm to Boost.Graph
- Occasional patches to Boost (Spirit, Graph, Archive, MPL and others)
- Active on the Boost.Dev mailing list
- CMake port of the FastPFor integer compression library's build system
- Too frequent bug reports against the Clang and GCC compilers.