

Broken Glass

Perl on Windows

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"This is your last chance. After this, there is no turning back.

You take the blue pill - the story ends, you wake up in your bed and believe whatever you want to believe.

You take the red pill - you stay in Wonderland and I show you how deep the rabbit-hole goes."



A bit of history

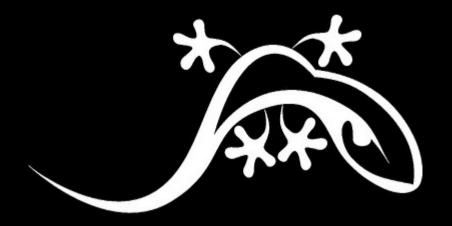
- 5.003_24 first Windows port
- 5.004 first Win32 and Cygwin support, [MSVC++ and Borland C++]
- 5.005 experimental threads, support for GCC and EGCS
- 5.6.0 experimental fork() support
- 5.8.0 proper ithreads, fork() support, 64bit Windows [Intel IA64]
- 5.8.1 threads support for Cygwin
- 5.12.0 AMD64 with Mingw gcc
- 5.16.0 buh-bye Borland C++



Time for some real archaeology

```
D:\I386\GNU\PERL>dir
Volume in drive D is NTRKSRV 40
 Volume Serial Number is AE2A-A291
 Directory of D:\I386\GNU\PERL
09/09/1996 22:02
                     <DIR>
09/09/1996 22:02
                     <DIR>
16/05/1996 03:08
                             30.720 CMD32.EXE
16/05/1996 03:08
                             64,512 PERL.EXE
16/05/1996 03:08
                            521.216 PERL100.DLL
                             22.016 PERLGLOB.EXE
16/05/1996 03:08
16/07/1996 17:34
                                971 PL2BAT.BAT
               5 File(s)
                                639,435 bytes
               2 Dir(s)
                                      O býtes free
D:\I386\GNU\PERL>.\PERL.EXE -V
This is perl, version 5.001
        Unofficial patchlevel 1m.
Copyright 1987-1994, Larry Wall
win32 port Copyright (c) 1995 Microsoft Corporation. All rights reserved.
        Developed by hip communications inc., http://info.hip.com/info/
        Perl for Win32 Build 107
        Built Apr 29 1996@22:56:57
Perl may be copied only under the terms of either the Artistic License or the
GNU Genéral Public Licénse, which may be found in the Perl 5.0 source kit.
D:\I386\GNU\PERL>
Ready
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Windows NT 4.0 Resource Kit CDROM

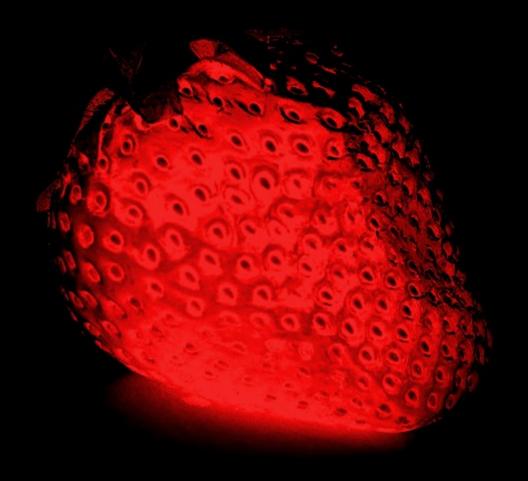


ActivePerl

http://www.activestate.com/perl

- July 1998 ActivePerl 5.005 Build 469
- March 2000 ActivePerl 5.6.0 Build 613
- November 2002 ActivePerl 5.8.0 Build 804
- November 2005 ActivePerl 5.8.7 Build 815 [Mingw compilation support]
- August 2006 ActivePerl 5.8.8 Build 817 [64bit]
- June 2012 ActivePerl 5.16.0 Build 1600

- Built with MSVC++
- Can install or use MinGW
- PPM respositories of popular modules
- Commercial support
- PerlScript Active Scripting engine
- Perl ISAPI



Strawberry Perl

http://strawberryperl.com

- July 2006 Strawberry Perl 5.8.8 Alpha 1 released
- April 2008 Strawberry Perl 5.10.0.1 and 5.8.8.1 released
- January 2009 first portable release
- April 2010 64bit and 32bit releases
- May 2012 Strawberry Perl 5.16.0.1 released
- August 2012 Strawberry Perl 5.16.1.1 released

- Includes the MinGW compiler toolchain
- Development libraries for various things (libxml2, libssh2, openssl, mysql, postresql, etc)
- 200+ non-core CPAN modules
- CPAN, CPANPLUS, cpanm work 'out of the box'
- Also includes command-line ppm utility



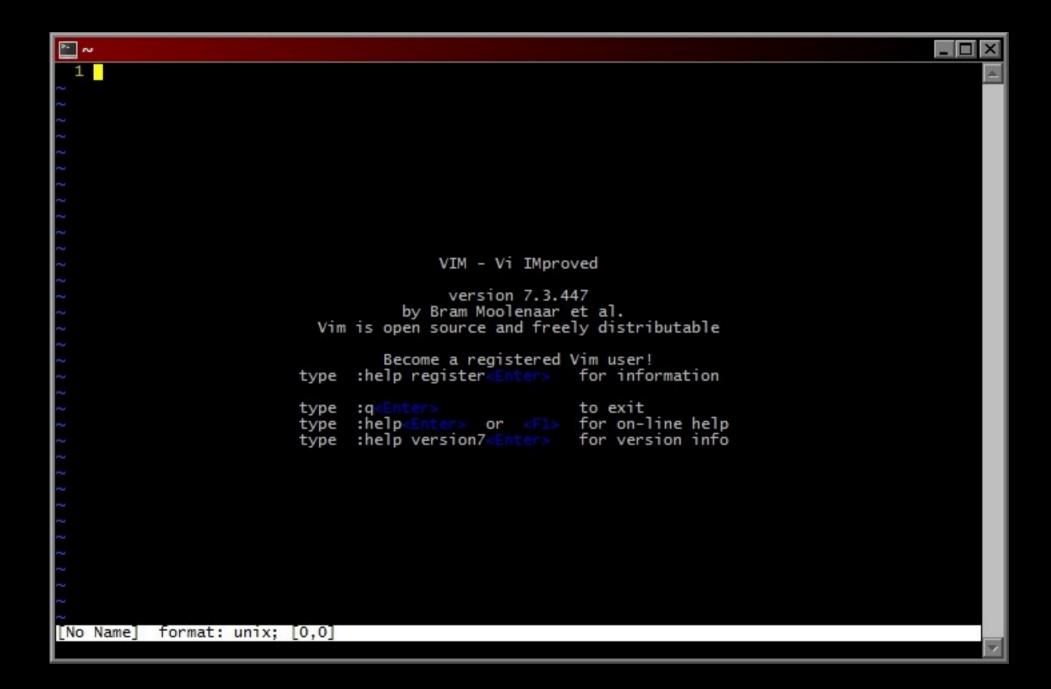


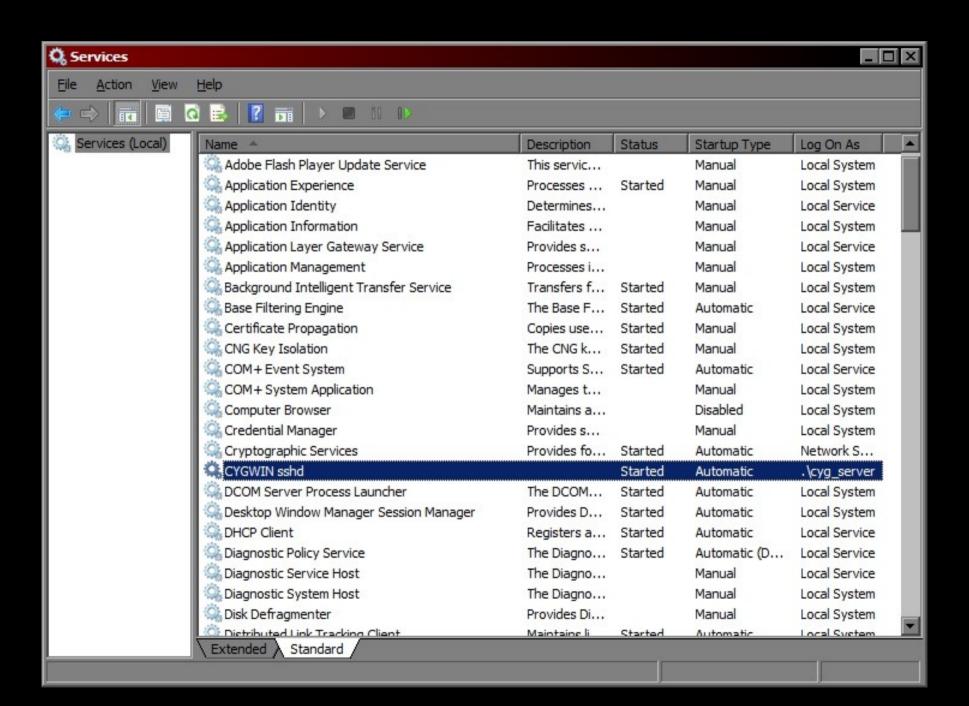
- 32bit Perl works fine on 64bit Windows
- Some modules have 'issues' with 64bit Perl
- ActivePerl doesn't has a Mingw package for 64bit



http://cygwin.com

- Started in 1995
- POSIX API compatibility layer
- Shells, devtools, networking tools
- Cygwin/X X Windows System
- Mintty Terminal
- Perl included
- Package manager





```
bingos@azkaban ~ $ ssh Administrator@warlock
Administrator@warlock's password:
Last login: Tue Aug 14 18:18:57 2012 from azkaban.bingosnet.co.uk
Administrator@warlock ~
$ uname -a
CYGWIN_NT-5.2 warlock 1.7.15(0.260/5/3) 2012-05-09 10:25 i686 Cygwin
Administrator@warlock ~
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- Cygwin SSHd How-To
- http://www.noah.org/ssh/cygwin-sshd.html



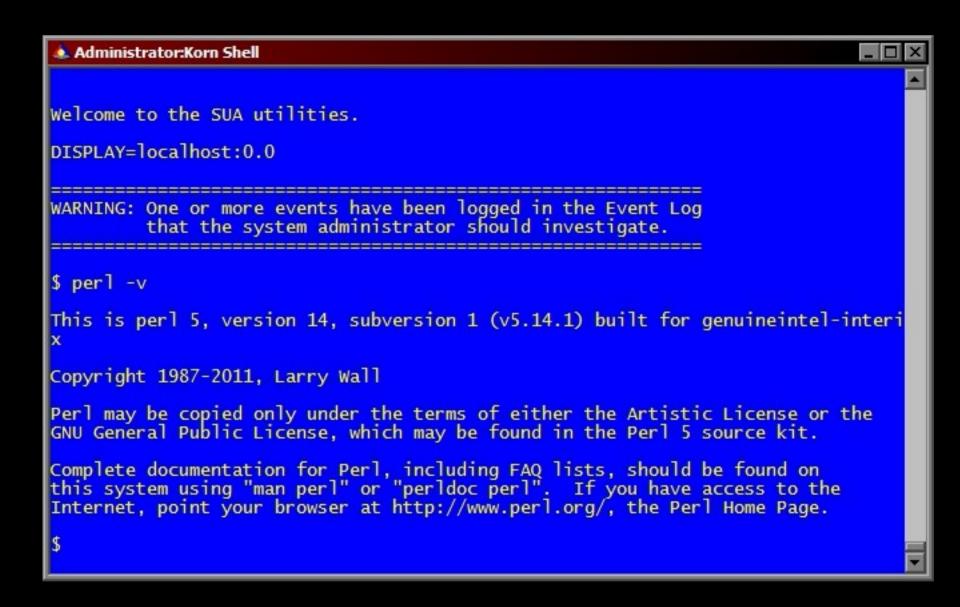
Other Choices

Do What I Mean Perl http://dwimperl.com/

- Based on Strawberry Perl v5.14.2.1
- Includes Padre
- Includes Task::Kensho, Moose, Dancer, Plack and lots of other stuff



- Originally OpenNT and Interix
- Included with Windows since 2003 R2 as "Subsystem for UNIX-based Applications" (SUA)
- Comes with UNIX tools and gcc
- http://www.suacommunity.com/



UWIN

http://www2.research.att.com/sw/download/

- Emulates UNIX API on top of Win32 API
- Can mix UNIX and Win32 calls in code
- Supports various compilers (MSVC++, MinGW, Borland C++)

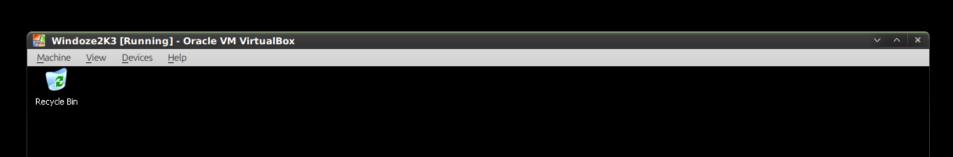


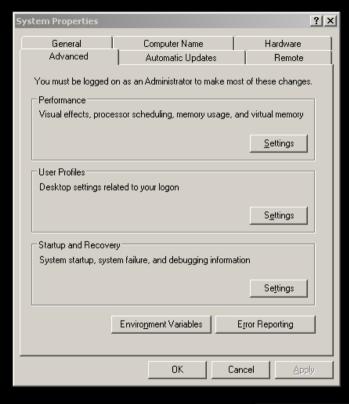


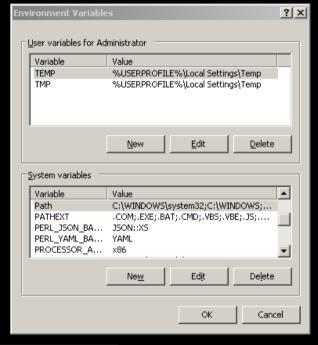
Environment Variables

(Don't cross the streams)

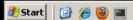
- Don't mix 'native' MSWin32 perl and Cygwin
- Adjust %PATH% for different perl installs
- Use batch files to set different environments.
- Perl doesn't like an installation location that contains spaces (not Windows specific)

















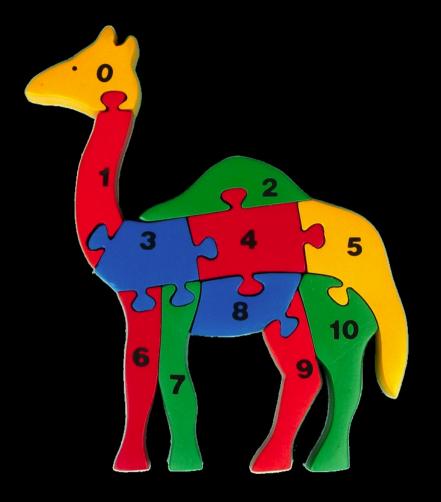






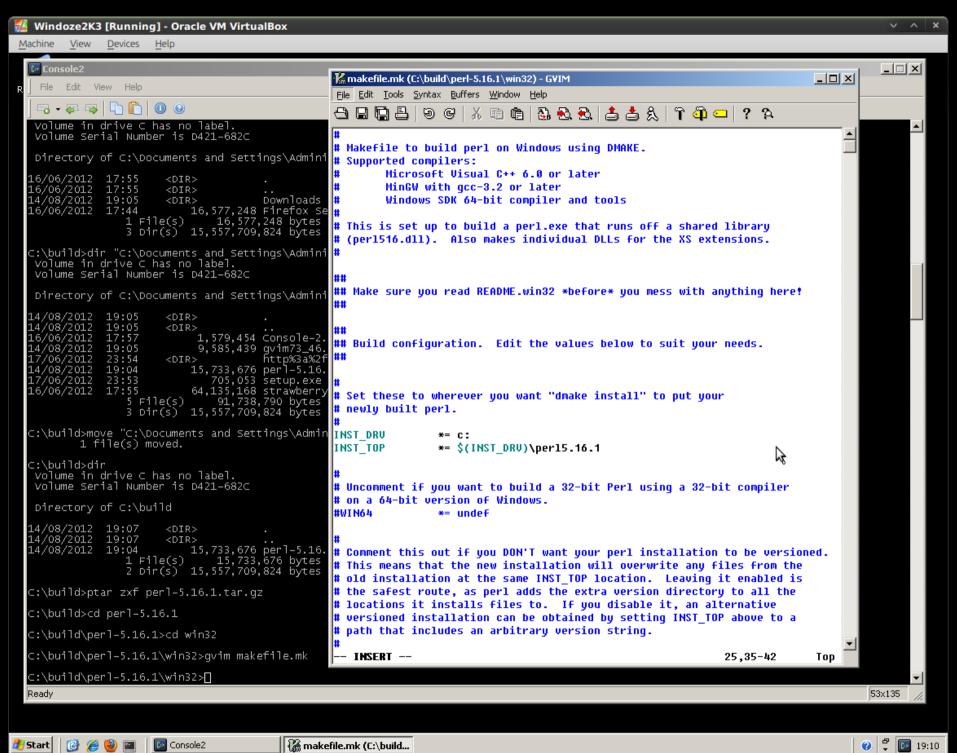




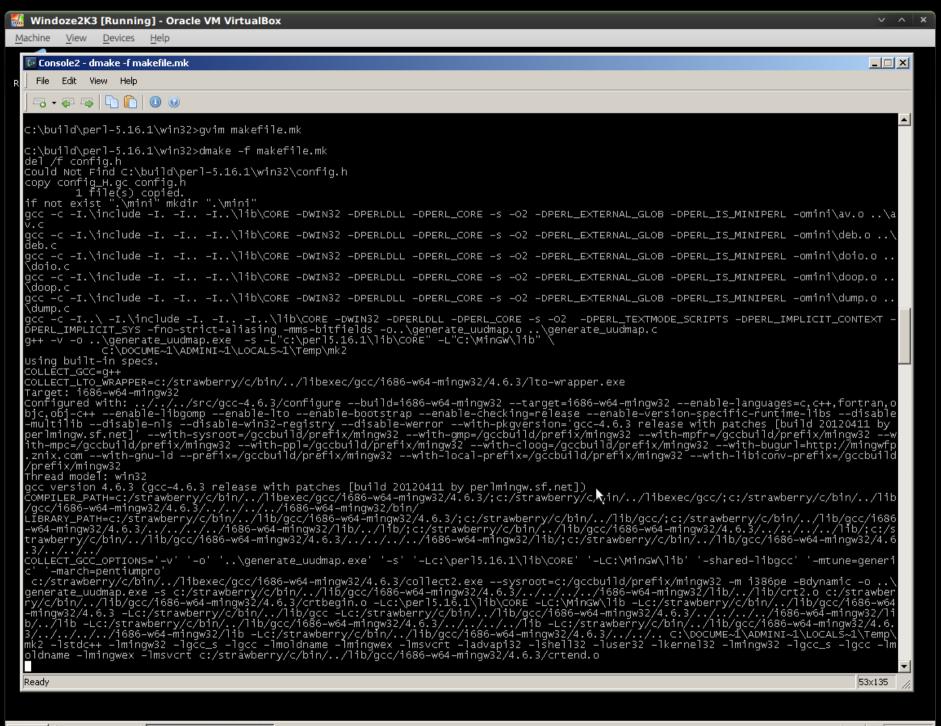


Building Perl

- README.win32 / perlwin32
- Microsoft Visual C++ version 6.0 or later
- Gcc by mingw.org gcc version 3.2 or later
- Gcc by mingw-w64.sf.net gcc version 4.4.3 or later









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THE #1 PROGRAMMER EXCUSE FOR LEGITIMATELY SLACKING OFF:

"MY CODE'S COMPILING."

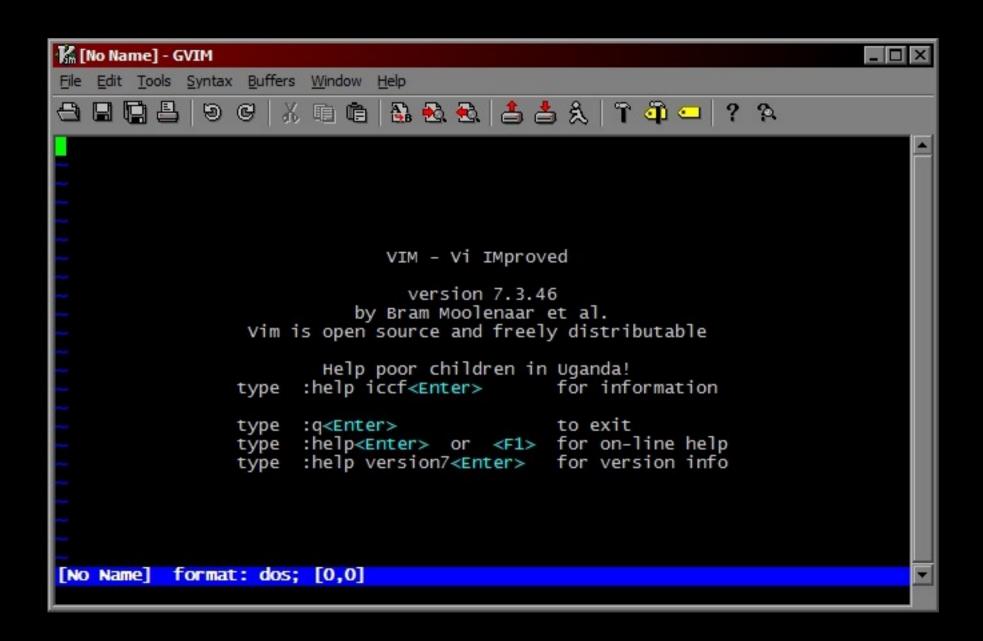




Editors

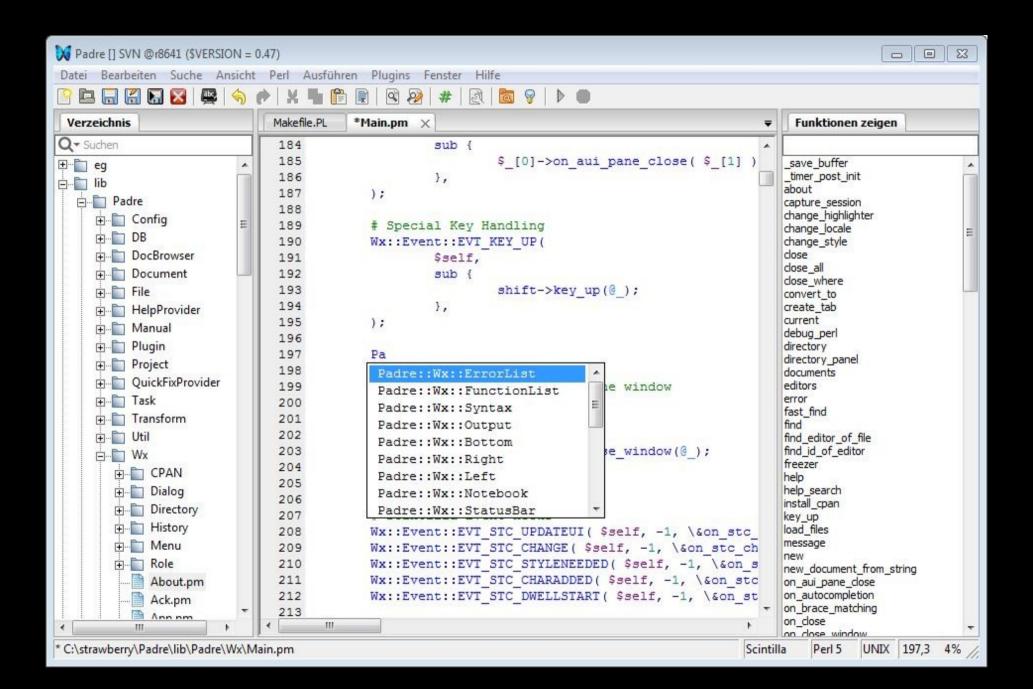


- Perl syntax highlighting
- Familiar if from a UNIX background
- GUI and command-line
- http://www.vim.org/





- Padre Perl IDE
- Written in Perl 5
- Syntax highlighting and code completion
- Beginner friendly
- Multiplatform Windows, Linux, Mac OS X
- http://padre.perlide.org/





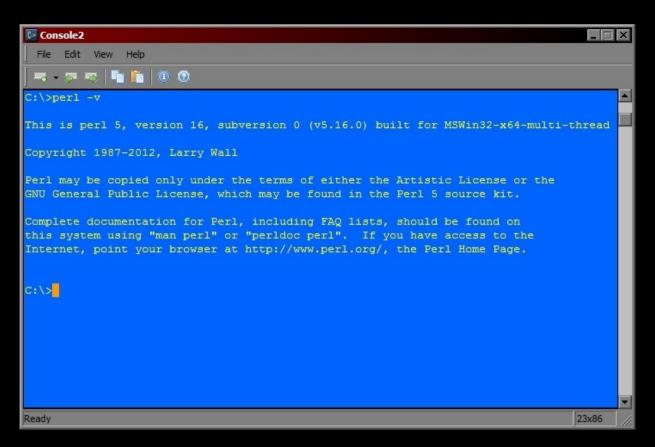




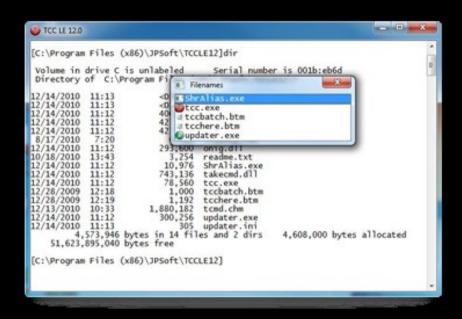




Consoles



- Console
- http://sourceforge.net/projects/console/
- Lots of shiny



- TCC/LE
- http://jpsoft.com/tccle-cmd-replacement.html
- From the makers of 4NT



- Powershell
- http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Windows_PowerShell
- Perl plays nicely with it

Administrator: Windows PowerShell

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Windows PowerShell Copyright (C) 2009 Microsoft Corporation. All rights reserved.

PS H:\> perl -v

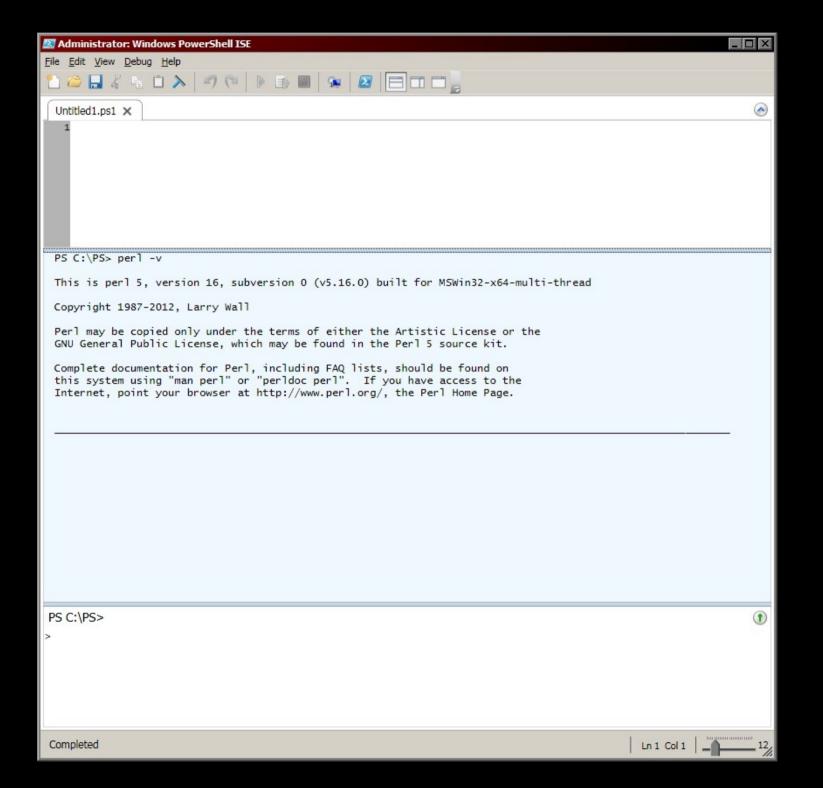
This is perl 5, version 16, subversion 0 (v5.16.0) built for MSWin32-x64-multi-thread

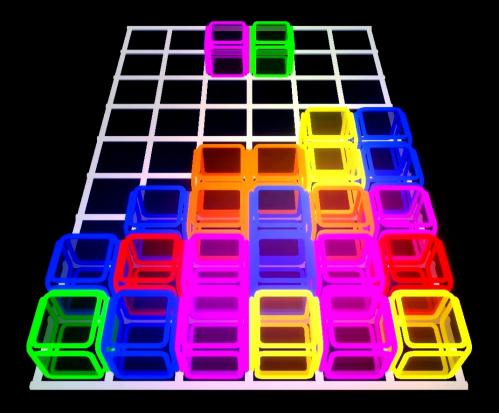
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Perl may be copied only under the terms of either the Artistic License or the GNU General Public License, which may be found in the Perl 5 source kit.

Complete documentation for Perl, including FAQ lists, should be found on this system using "man perl" or "perldoc perl". If you have access to the Internet, point your browser at http://www.perl.org/, the Perl Home Page.

PS H:\>





Modules

- use Win32;
- functions to access Win32 APIs
- use Win32::OLE;
- interface to OLE Automation
- use Win32::Process; use Win32::Job;
- Work with processes
- use Win32::EventLog;
- Access the Windows Event log
- use Win32::TieRegistry;
- Manipulate the Windows registry



Win32

Interfaces to some Win32 API Functions Win32-0.44 - 12 Jan 2011 - <u>Jan Dubois</u>

Win32::UTCFileTime

Get/set UTC file times with stat/utime on Win32 Win32-UTCFileTime-1.55 - 20 Mar 2012 - Steve Hay

Win32::RASE

managing dialup entries and network connections on Win32 Win32-RASE-1.01 - 08 Mar 2000 - Mike Blazer

Win32/ProcFarm/Child.pl

procedural support code for child processes in the Win32-ProcFarm system Win32-ProcFarm-2.15 - 09 Jan 2004 - Toby Ovod-Everett

Win32::SerialPort

User interface to Win32 Serial API calls
Win32-SerialPort-0.22 ***** (1 Reviews) - 11 Jun 2010 - Bill Birthisel

Win32::CommandLine

Retrieve and reparse the Win32 command line Win32-CommandLine-0.4.4.269 - 04 Apr 2009 - Roy Ivy III

Win32::Daemon

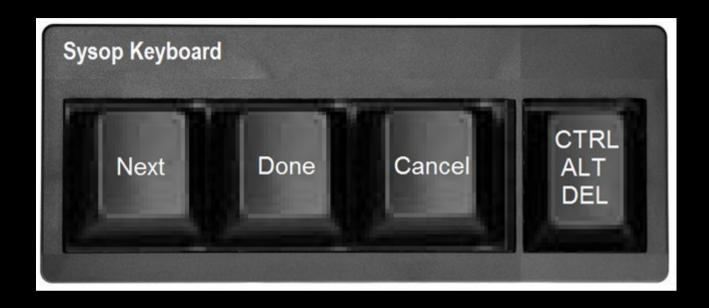
Extension enabling Win32 Perl scripts to run as a true Win32 service. Win32-Daemon-20110117 - 17 Jan 2011 - Jan Dubois

Win32::SystemInfo

Memory and Processor information on Win32 systems Win32-SystemInfo-0.11 - 26 Aug 2008 - Chad Johnston

Win32::GUIRobot

send keyboard and mouse input to win32, analyze graphical output <u>Win32-GUIRobot-0.05</u> - 22 Oct 2007 - <u>Dmitry Karasik</u>



Enterprise Administration

- Win32::OLE
- Win32::NameTranslate
- Win32::ADRecurse
- Text::CSV
- Win32::EventLog
- Capture::Tiny
- Net::SSH2













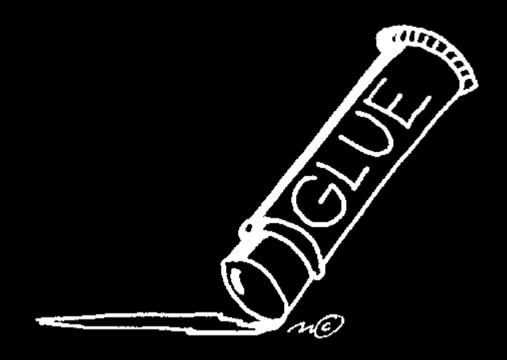


- Manipulating AD objects
 - Bulk amending user address details
 - Bulk amending user display names
 - Bulk moving users between OUs
 - Sanitising user telephone numbers
 - Bulk add users to groups
 - Recurse through AD group membership
- ID photos → thumbnail → AD attribute
- Parse IAS, IIS, TMG, McAfee WebGW logs
- Parse Checkpoint Firewall logs
- EventLog triggers and logging specific events



Useful links

- http://stackoverflow.com/tags/perl/info
- http://perlmonks.org/
- https://metacpan.org/
- http://win32.perl.org/
- http://goo.gl/3aOZV MSDN ADSI
- http://goo.gl/gwaQA ADSI Edit Utility



Perl the glue that mends

