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ActiveState Releases Tcl Dev Kit 4.0

Popular Tcl deployment toolkit enhances code analysis and adds support for Mac OS X and Tcl 8.5

VANCOUVER, BC, May 23, 2007—ActiveState, the leading provider of tools and services for dynamic languages, today announced the release of Tcl Dev Kit (TDK) 4.0, the multi-platform toolkit for creating and deploying professional Tcl applications.

TDK provides essential tools for building self-contained, installation-free executables to Windows, Mac OS X, Linux, Solaris, AIX and HP-UX. The comprehensive feature set also includes a powerful graphical debugger, profiling and analysis tools for code optimization, a pre-compiler to obfuscate source code and a service manager for converting Tcl programs to Windows services.

TDK 4.0 introduces support for Mac OS X and Solaris x86, providing new users with sophisticated tools for bundling Tcl source code and extensions into executables, starkits or starpacks. All users benefit from their preferred interface with a choice of new cross-platform themed UIs or command-line access to build and configuration options.

"Tcl Dev Kit 4.0 is designed for professionals who care about quality," said Steve Landers, Senior Consultant, Digital Smarties. "We specialize in developing cross-platform applications, many of which are written in Tcl/Tk. TDK simplifies the process at every stage. From creation to delivery, using TDK ensures our customers get high-quality applications that are painless to deploy."

The release also features enhanced support for TEA (Tcl Extension Archive) Package Management, with a complete suite of tools for creating, exporting, managing and using Tcl extensions. TclChecker, a powerful batch mode code analyzer that uncovers errors in scripts before they are run, has been extended, making it easier to find problems in new scripts, scripts from older versions of Tcl/Tk or scripts ported from another operating systems. Additionally, compiler support has been extended to Tcl 8.5, providing obfuscation for Tcl/Tk applications built with the current Tcl release.

"Tcl Dev Kit is an extremely versatile toolkit," says Jeff Hobbs, lead Tcl developer. "Developers who have long relied on TclApp to deliver their applications are now turning to TDK for finding and fixing bugs, managing complex code bases and optimizing their programs. These tools make Tcl application development and deployment fast and easy."

ActiveState also distributes ActiveTcl, the complete, ready-to-install Tcl distribution for Windows, Mac OS X, Linux, Solaris, AIX and HP-UX, and ActiveTcl Enterprise Edition, a support and software subscription for organizations that rely on Tcl to power mission-critical systems. More information on ActiveState's Tcl solutions is at: <http://www.activestate.com/tcl>.

Availability

Tcl Dev Kit 4.0 is available now, with special release pricing of \$245 until June 17, 2007 (regular price: \$295). Upgrade pricing and education licenses are available. TDK is available at <http://www.activestate.com/tdk>.

TDK is also offered with ActiveTcl Pro Studio, the professional Tcl development bundle that also includes Komodo IDE 4—a powerful multi-platform IDE with advanced Tcl support—and Safari Books Online. A one-year subscription including software upgrades is \$495, available at: <http://www.activestate.com/activetclprostudio>.



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