

GSoC Panel 2017

The LibreOffice GSoC season 2017 has concluded Here's the results!

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The GSoC 2017 roster

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What we have accomplished

- Compressed file serving
 - Secure
- Fast
- Follow User/Editor
- Similar to Google Hangouts
- Useful for meetings
- More analytics for the administrator
- CPU load, network activity
- Ruler
- Interactive, adjustable horizontal ruler
- Saving a file with a new name "Save as"
- Not available yet
- Basic level implementation complete for the client side, but file hosts (owncloud/nextcloud) need to be configured.



Demonstration



Compressed file serving

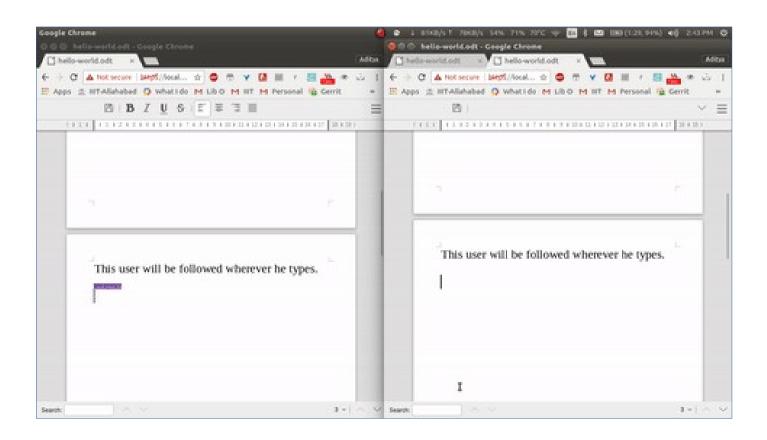
- Safe, secure
- Fast

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Follow user/editor

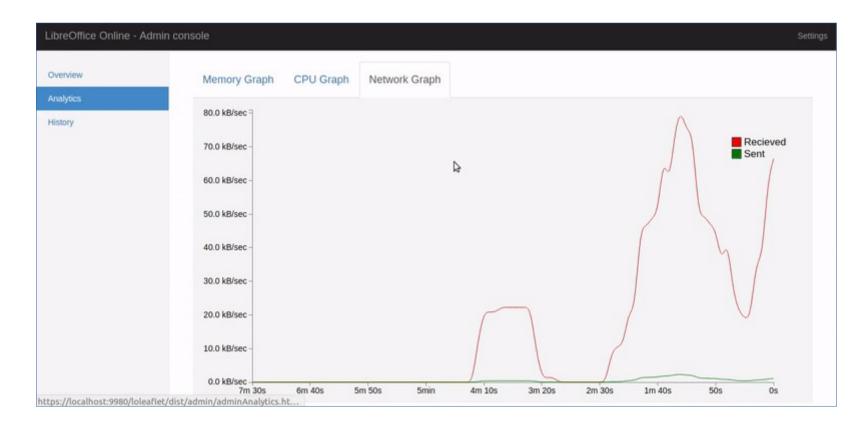
- Similar to Google Hangouts
- Useful for meetings/note taking





More analytics

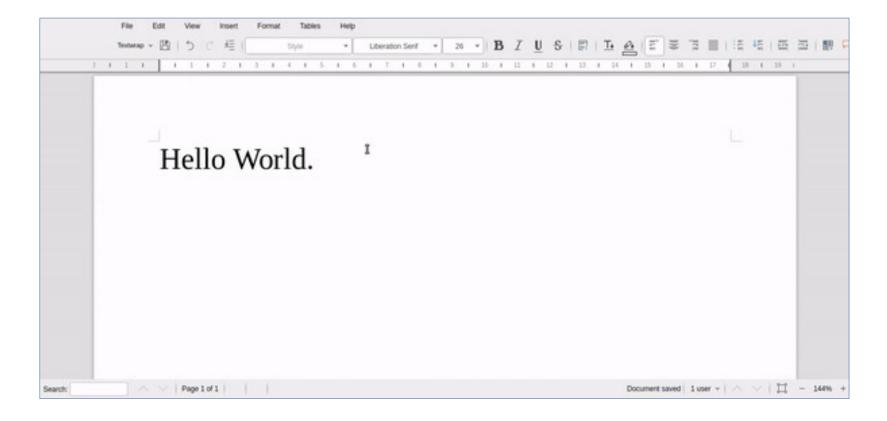
- CPU/Network load
- Better looking graphs





Ruler

- Interactive horizontal ruler. User can easily see and change rulers.
- Can be easily extended to support ruler first-line indent, paragraph indent, and tab spaces.





Work left to do

- Ruler
 - The ruler has some minor bugs.
 - Extend it to support first-line indent, paragraph indent, and tab spaces.
 - Vertical Ruler, maybe?
- 'Save as'
 - Current implementation is rudimentary
 - Develop support for 'save-as' in file hosting/sharing services, like Owncloud/Nextcloud.



Varun Dhall Replace EditEngine binary clipboard with ODF filter



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Agenda

- Goals of the project
- ditEngine before GSoC
- How I achieved the goals?
- GSoC coding overview
- Achievements
- Success after GSoC



Goals of the project

- Replace the legacy StarOffice format using SfxItemPool binary serialization with the ODF filter for copy/paste operations
- Add new unit tests for copy/paste to prevent regressions
- Remove un-used SfxItemPool binary serialization from all the modules with-in the LO source code



How I achieved the goals?

- Wrote few unit tests that uses legacy format for copy/paste operations
- Added an identifier SotClipboardFormatId::EDITENGINE_ODF_TEXT_FLAT for new clipboard format
- Modified various EditEngine's clipboard methods which initialize the import/export filter code
- Made few adjustments to xmloff for allowing the format replacement
- Modified the application's code (Draw/Impress/Calc) to use the new copy/paste format
- Made some tweaks to fix the text selection and hyperlinks during copy/paste
- Removed all the un-used binary serialization code



Achievements

- StarOffice format is not used anymore for copy/paste operations
- Text is copied with proper selection using EditEngine ODF format
- SfxItemPool serialization is not used anywhere outside Table Auto-Formats
- Removed over 7000+ lines of un-used binary serialization code



Solving Bugs for the Android Viewer



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New features

General

- Ability to load password-protected documents tdf#89175
- Ability to insert pictures from taking photos, choosing local images, downloading cloud images (Google photos, Dropbox, etc.) with an option to compress the image or not tdf#106370 (not merged vet)
- Developer Mode for sending UNO commands in the app (not merged yet)
- Double tap zoom in and out

Writer

- Page number on screen tdf#96764

• Calc

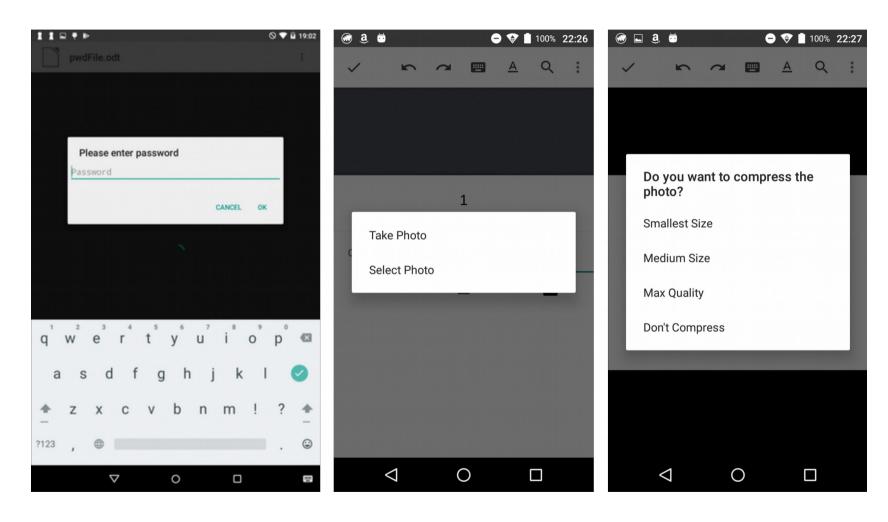
- Interactive Calc UI with row/column headers
- Header related functions e.g. insert/delete/hide/show/optimal width or height
- Address and formula bars (not merged yet)

Impress

Presentation Mode



New features - General

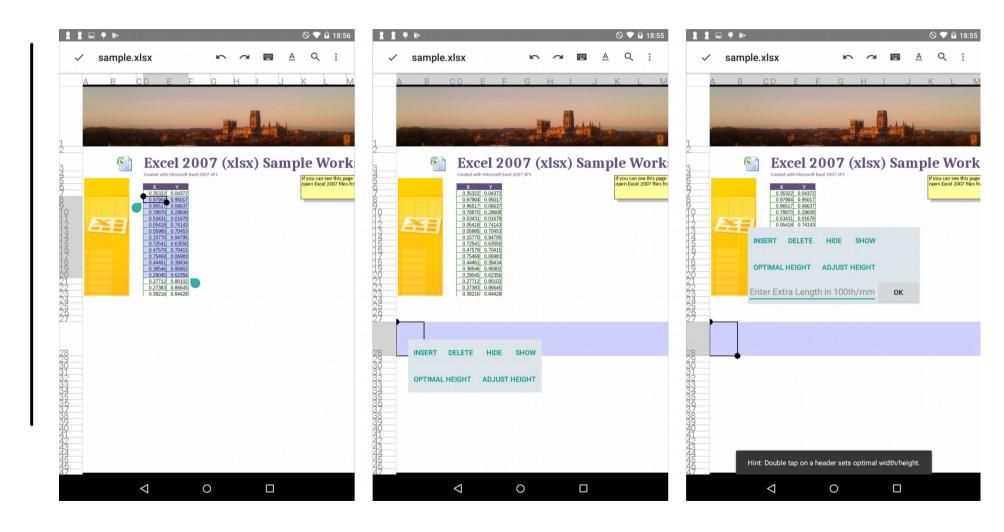


Password-protected documents support

Insert picutures of photos



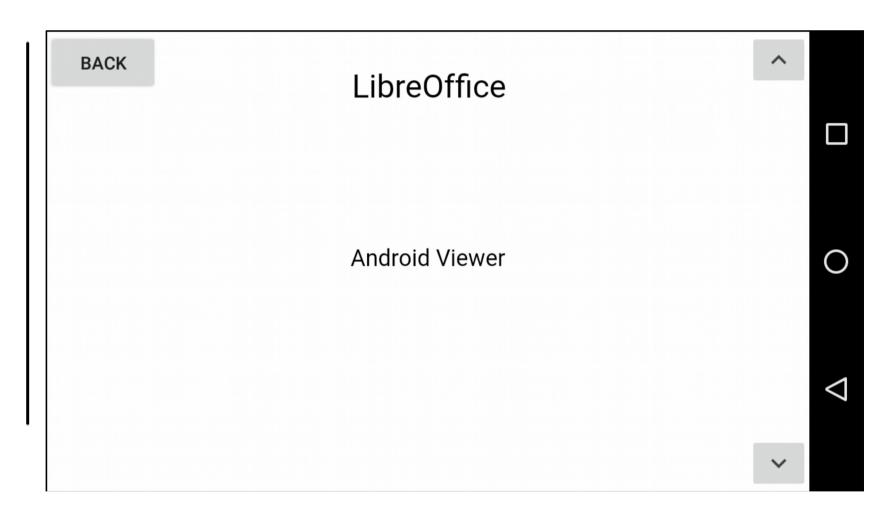
New features - Calc



Interactive Calc UI with headers and buttons



New features - Impress



Presentation Mode



Solved bugs and other patches

- 1. Top part unreachable with soft keyboard open: https://gerrit.libreoffice.org/35721
- 2. Fix typo: inticator -> indicator: https://gerrit.libreoffice.org/36103
- 3. Fix typo: 'forgeround' in multiple files: https://gerrit.libreoffice.org/36154
- 4. Restrict zoom to page width: https://gerrit.libreoffice.org/35308
- 5. Android Viewer doesn't focus on the word you search: https://gerrit.libreoffice.org/35715
- 6. Android Viewer does not show page count: https://gerrit.libreoffice.org/36178/
- 7. Android Viewer does not switch edit mode to view: https://gerrit.libreoffice.org/36541
- 8. Disable 'parts' in text documents: https://gerrit.libreoffice.org/36538
- 9. Fix appbar invisible on lower version: https://gerrit.libreoffice.org/36950
- 10. Fix behavior of double tap zoom in and out: https://gerrit.libreoffice.org/37046
- 11. Update zoom constraints with device rotate: https://gerrit.libreoffice.org/37847
- 12. Fix windowSoftInputMode: https://gerrit.libreoffice.org/40686
- 13. Fix "Even internal links are treated as hyperlinks": https://gerrit.libreoffice.org/40947
- 14. Correct typo of class name: https://gerrit.libreoffice.org/39832
- 15. Fix crash after save dialog: https://gerrit.libreoffice.org/39847
- 16. Correct LOK Enums: https://gerrit.libreoffice.org/39831
- 17. Add LOKit Enums to Document.java: https://gerrit.libreoffice.org/39375
- 18. appbar invisible on lower version: https://gerrit.libreoffice.org/36950
- 19. Clean up util func with Calc dev: https://gerrit.libreoffice.org/41372
- 20. Calc cannot zoom due DPI fixed to 96 (work in progress): https://gerrit.libreoffice.org/40697



Azorpid Migrating from legacy Parser to FastParser



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Agenda

- Purpose
- Move from XParser to XFastParser
- Why FastParser is Better?
- Multi-threading, tokenization.
- What we have done so far
- Moving all the contexts in sc/, threaded unzipping
- Statistics
- Future Plans



FastParser vs Legacy Parser

- Parsing in one thread and processing in the other.
- Tokenized
- Handles contexts.

- Single threaded
- String based.
- No concept of contexts.

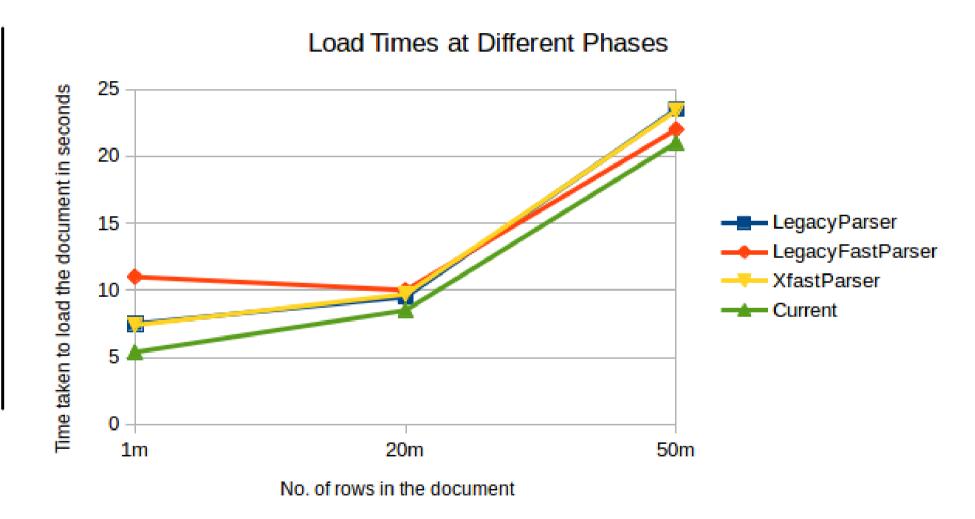


What we've done so far?

- Wrapper that uses FastParser internally and implements legacy DocumentHandler.
- All the xml import filters uses SvXMLImport as base class for parsing and SvXMLImportContext as base context.
- Made SvXMLImport to function like a FastParser Wrapper with SvXMLImportContext working as Intermediary handler that detokenize the elements to strings.
- Moved most of the contexts in sc/ xml filters to fast contexts that uses tokens.
- Seperated unzipping/reading into a different thread.
- Fixed sync issues during unzipping.



Statistics





Future Plans

- Working on moving Meta Context which is used across different modules (sw, starmath, sd, etc).
- This should make it easier to just pick any context from those modules and convert them to taken based contexts.
- There are some sublte differences in the way FastParser tokenizes attributes and the way it is done in the existing contexts. Need to address them.
- Study the effect of buffer size on load times used in unzipping thread.
- Study why smaller files have more speed wins compared to the bigger files.

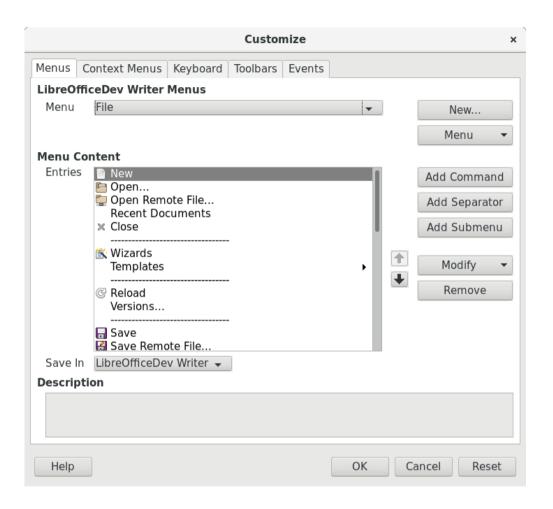


Muhammet Kara Revamp the Customization Dialog

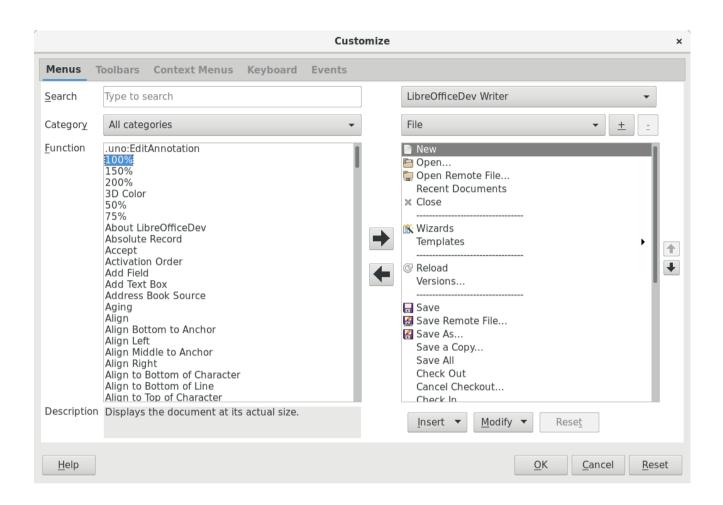


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Before



After



Initial Goals

- A modern and intuitive design
- Accessibility
- User friendliness
- Ability to search for functions
- Providing a nice workflow with the well-established two-pane design
- Fixing/improving the underlying code



What's Done

- Refactored/restructured some underlying code
- Menu, Toolbar and Context Menu adapted
- Search feature except the Events tab
- Almost all widgets are implemented and functional
- Cosmetic adjustments
- A11y support



What's Left

- Ability to assign styles and macros to UI elements (WiP)
- Function and gear buttons proposed by the design
- Conversion of the Keyboard and the Events tabs
- Bugs arising in the future
- Customize-Dialog meta bug: tdf#103238





More



Gautam Prajapati Improve LibreOffice for Android



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Agenda

- Build System before GSoC
- LO Android build system before GSoC
- What did we accomplish?
- Things we accomplished during GSoC
- Individual Goals
- Discussion on individual tasks
- Future Scope
- What's more to be done in Android?



Build System before GSoC

- Support up to NDK r13 (Released October 2016)
- Building with libstdc++ STL & GCC 4.9 toolchain
- Broken Clang toolchain support
- Android being the only platform using OpenSSL
- NSS and libxmlsec disabled on Android



What did we accomplish?

- Added support for building with NDK r15 (latest stable version)
- Added support for building with Clang toolchain
- Removed GCC support for building LO Android
- Fixed and enabled NSS(Network Security Services) for Android
- Fixed and enabled libxmlsec building for Android
- Upgraded from NSS 3.29 to NSS 3.31.1 release



Future Scope

- Switching from libstdc++ to LLVM's libc++ STL
- Building LibreOffice Android on MacOS
- Stabilizing and improving the Android Viewer



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