

Ladybird

Independent web browser

Introduction

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My browser history

- 2006: KHTML (KDE)
- 2009-2011: QtWebKit (Nokia)
- 2011-2017: Safari (Apple)
- 2019-Present: Ladybird

Ladybird: Overview

- Full-stack browser & engine
- Everything from scratch
- Permissively licensed (2BSD)
- Written in modern C++20
- Part of the greater SerenityOS project
- Also runs on Linux, macOS, other *nix, but not Windows (yet)

Ladybird project goals

- **Render the live web** with acceptable stability, security and performance.
- Advance the web platform by filing spec bugs, writing tests, etc.
- Add **engine diversity** to the browser market.
- Have fun!



State of Ladybird

Acid tests almost perfect







Making progress on modern sites





But many bugs remain :^)



Ladybird architecture

Ladybird application architecture

SerenityOS app



LibWebView

Process boundary

	WebContent	
LibWeb	LibJS	LibRegex
LibCore	LibGfx	LibWasm
LibXML	LibUnicode	LibWebSocket

LibJS

- Implements the ECMAScript language & runtime
- Garbage collector
- Simple AST tree-walk interpreter
- Almost entirely unoptimized

LibWeb

- Implements most of the web platform specs:
 - DOM, HTML, CSS, SVG, Fetch, XHR, etc.
- Layout
- Painting
- Hit testing

Other libraries

- LibCore: Event loops, shared memory
- LibIPC: Inter-process communication
- LibGfx: 2D graphics, OpenType rasterizer
- LibRegex: Regular expression bytecode VM
- LibUnicode: Unicode support
- LibXML: XML parsing
- LibWasm: Wasm interpreter
- ... and others

LibWeb DOM node class hierarchy



LibWeb rendering pipeline



Layout implementation

- Organized around CSS spec concepts:
 - FormattingContext (with subclasses for BFC, FFC, GFC, ...)
 - AvailableSpace

- Two layout modes:
 - Normal
 - Intrinsic sizing

Ladybird testing

- LibJS:
 - test-js: In-house regression test suite
 - libjs-test262: test262 runner
- LibWasm:
 - test-wasm: Wasm spec tests
- LibWeb:
 - Layout tests
 - Text tests
 - WPT runner under construction (actively)

Upcoming work

- Performance
- Memory safety
- Implement specs
- Fix bugs

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Thank you!

Q&A Ask me anything!