

Sebastian Sauer Talks About Scripting with Kross

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Kross is the scripting engine for KOffice and provides a complete framework to embed scripting interpreters transparently into native applications and bridge the static and dynamic worlds together.

KDE does provide a rich set of bindings for different languages. PyQt/PyKDE, QtRuby/Korundum and even developing KDE-related tasks with Java and C# is supported.

If it comes to embedded scripting the choice gets cut down to QSA and KjsEmbed which both provide an embedded JavaScript-interpreter with a very small subset of the functionality that existing modules and 3rd-party supported languages like Python or Ruby are enjoying. There is no CPAN-like collection of 3rd party modules for nearly anything, maintained and improved by large communities and reusable for your own tasks.

The open source world is about choices, about reusing functionality and about flexibility. So, why not increase the number of supported languages which could be embedded into an application?

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