The evolution of the Tclers Wiki

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Origins

- 1999 second oldest Wiki still going
- wikit written by Jean-Claude Wippler
- minimal markup
- Web + Tk renderer
- self-contained
- Metakit database

Transitions

- used for embedded documentation
- Metakit to TDBC + SQLite
- embedded web server to Wub
- searching from internal to Google to internal
- added markup
- styling



Opportunities

- modern look
- developer support
- 3rd party solutions for web, cache, security, search
- spam mitigation
- curation support
- improved markup

Nikit

- modern look based on Bootstrap
- NGINX load balancing, proxying web server
- Wikit running as an SCGI
- SQLite for database
- CloudFlare for cache, security, acceleration
- Google search









Page stats

total number of pages	44385
text pages with date	13396
binary pages with date	1634
pages without date	27442
text pages without content	1891
missing	22
skipped	28

SCGI

- single thread programming
- multiprocessing
- pool of pre-started scripts
- load balancing by nginx
- based on Tcllib's cgi and http://wiki.tcl.tk/19760

NGINX

- scalable and performant
- easy to configure
- large and growing user base
- lots of info/help available

CloudFlare

- performance
 - distributed cache + CDN
 - content optimization
 - DNS
- security
 - DDoS protection
 - web application firewall
 - SSL + IPV6
- analytics

Styling

- bootstrap based
- responsive layout
- · adaptive menu on top







Changes Page

- last edit per page
- minor edits hidden by default
- minor edit / spam flags
- geo-located region

Minor Edits

- "Save as minor edit" button
- not listed in default Changes page
- listed in page history

Access Rules

- based on roles
- per page
- per area (e.g. admin pages, CSS templates)



Introspection

- user activity
- page history
- spam

Maintenance

- rename pages
- delete pages (no trace left)

Robot / Spam Detection

- reCAPTCHA
- bayesian filter
- spam hidden by default
- posting prevented from "spammy" IP addresses
- trusted users can mark as spam or ham

Tcler's Wiki - jdc - Confirm edit for Learn to Program Last edit 2016-06-17 13:46:03 by pooryorick@108.162.219.144 Image: Image
Learn to Program
This page is considered SPAM!

Markup

- full rewrite
- compatible with Wikit markup
- optional
 - HTML
 - Markdown
 - TCL (in safe interp with CPU limit)

Markup

- document types
- special pages
- page templates
- directives
- tables
- special characters

Document Types

<!DOCTYPE WIKIT> page content written in wikit markup

<!DOCTYPE MARKDOWN> page content written in markdown

<!DOCTYPE HTMLPART>

<!DOCTYPE TCL>

page generated by Tcl script

page content written in HTML

<!DOCTYPE HTML>

page written in HTML

Special Pages

ADMIN:WELCOME

Welcome page, in wikit markup

ADMIN:MOTD

Message of the day, in HTML

ADMIN: ACCESSRULES Access rules

ADMIN:PRIVACY

Privacy statement

Page Templates

TEMPLATE:page

Default page template

TEMPLATE:preview

TEMPLATE:gsearch

TEMPLATE:content

TEMPLATE:CSS

TEMPLATE:JS

Page preview template

Google custom search template

HTML page template

Nikit specific CSS

Nikit specific JS

Directives

< <include:page>></include:page>	include another page
< <redirect ?reason?="">> page</redirect>	redirect to another page
< <motd>></motd>	display message of the day
< <changes>></changes>	include 10 most recent changes
< <categories>></categories>	page categories
< <discussion>></discussion>	show/hide part of page
< <inlinehtml>></inlinehtml>	insert HTML within Wiki markup
< <backrefs?:name?>></backrefs?:name?>	include page references for this or specified page



< <redirect ?rea<="" td=""><td>ason?>> name</td><td></td><td></td></redirect>	ason?>> name		
• Redirect current page	e to another page		
 Known reasons: 			
 redundant 	Tcler's Wiki≁ Page≁ jdc≁	Search	Help
 duplicate 			
 merged 	jdc		
 inaccurate 	J		
	This page has become redundant. It now redirects to: Jos Decoster		
 Redirect headers 			
	Tcler's Wiki≁ Page≁ jdc -	Search	Help
	Jos Decoster		
	You were redirected to this page because the redirecting page is redundant.		

Tables

 one row per line 	8 1 2 3 8	+%
	4 5 6	1
- header % %	7 8 9	2
		3
- row or & &		+
		4
 one field per line 		5
- start header row 18		6
Start Header Tow 18		+
- start row + or &		7
		8
- start field		9



