The pkgsrc-wip Project

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What is pkgsrc-wip?

pkgsrc = NetBSD packages collection

WIP = work in progress

CVS repository and mailing lists

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http://pkgsrc-wip.sf.net/
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Why?

- For incomplete packages (improve collaboration)
- For inexperienced packagers to learn by doing (teaching and recruitment)

Who?

- pkgsrc developers
- NetBSD users
- pkgsrc users on other platforms

Currently 106 members, 30 NetBSD committers

What?

- development/current versions
- unfinished packages

How to get pkgsrc-wip?

For users:

- cd /usr/pkgsrc
- export CVSROOT=

:pserver:anonymous@cvs.sf.net:/cvsroot/pkgsrc-wip

- cvs login
- cvs -z3 co -P wip

For developers:

- cd /usr/pkgsrc
- export CVS_RSH=ssh
- export CVSROOT=:ext:user@cvs.sf.net:/cvsroot/pkgsrc-wip

• cvs co -P wip

Contributing packages

- cd /usr/pkgsrc
- export CVS_RSH=ssh
- export CVSROOT=:ext:user@cvs.sf.net:/cvsroot/pkgsrc-wip
- cd /usr/pkgsrc/wip/newpkg.import
- pkglint

• cvs -d import wip/newpkg USERNAME USERNAME_YYYYMMDD

• cd ..

- vi Makefile
- cvs ci Makefile

Status

Very good developer growth:

Started 17 March 2003

100th developer 18 March 2004

Many with few packages

Statistics at http://www.stindustries.org.uk/pkgsrc-wip/

Four became developers so far (two are here, cube and recht), fifth on the way

Status (2)

Cooperation working:

Some packages co-developed in pkgsrc-wip and later imported into pkgsrc (e.g., XFree86 packages)

Problems

Sourceforge sometimes instable

Problem with verifymsg (signal 11)

"wip" remains after imports

Duplicated work (both ways)

Cooperative learning not taking off

Future

More people :)

Improving on peer review (ideas welcome)

Questions

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Thanks for listening!