Thames Valley Perl Mongers Revival Meeting

20th March 2013

Agenda...

- Who are the Perl Mongers?
- Iain C Docherty, Topic: Moose, Beanstalk and Lacuna Expanse
- Break for Grub!
- Alex Burzynski, Topic: Optimising Perl Programs
- Future for TVPMs meetings/social events
- Meeting close / agreed actions Oliver Gorwits

Iain C Docherty

Moose Beanstalk and Lacuna Expanse

Lacuna Expanse

- Multi-user on-line Space based game
- http://lacunaexpanse.com
- Open source code, Perl, Moose, DBIx::Class
- JSON API
- Javascript User Interface
- External 3rd party scripts
- Games::Lacuna::Client

Events in Lacuna Expanse

- A building completes construction
- A ship is completed in the shipyard
- A building completes it's work
- A ship arrives at it's destination.
- The UI 'views' a planet
- 'Continuous' processes (resources)

Event handling

Ship arrives Building completes

Ul event

Problems processing on a UI request.

- Lag.
- Events are not processed in 'real-time'.
- Hundreds of events processed at the same time.
- Lag.

Solution

- Beanstalk queue
- Add job onto queue, with a delay
- Daemons process jobs taken from queue
- Lacuna::DB::Result::Schedule
- (each Schedule object mirrors a beanstalk job)

```
package Lacuna::DB::Result::Schedule;
use Moose;
extends 'Lacuna::DB::Result';
use DateTime;
 PACKAGE ->table('schedule');
 PACKAGE ->add columns(
                => {data type => 'varchar', size => 30, is nullable => 0},
   queue
   job id => {data type => 'int', size => 11, is nullable => 0},
   delivery => {data type => 'datetime', is nullable => 0},
   priority
                => {data type => 'int', size => 11, is nullable => 0,
   default => 1000},
   parent table => {data type => 'varchar', size => 30, is nullable => 0},
   parent id => {data type => 'int', size => 11, is nullable => 0},
   task
             => {data type => 'varchar', size => 30, is nullable => 0},
                => {data type => 'medium blob', is nullable => 1,
   args
   serializer class => 'JSON'},
);
```

Method modifiers

```
after 'insert' => sub {
    my $self = shift;
    $self->queue_for_delivery;
    return $self;
};
before 'delete' => sub {
    my $self = shift;
    Lacuna->queue->delete($self->job_id);
};
```

```
sub queue_for_delivery {
   my (\$self) = @_;
   my $delay = $self->delivery->epoch - DateTime->now->epoch;
   $delay = 0 if $delay < 0;</pre>
   my $queue = Lacuna->queue | 'default';
   my $priority = $self->priority || 1000;
   my $job = $queue->publish($self->queue, {
           id
                   => $self->id,
           parent_table => $self->parent_table,
           parent_id => $self->parent_id,
           task
                  => $self->task,
                        => $self->args,
           args
       },{
           delay
                      => $delay,
           priority
                         => $priority,
   );
   $self->job id($job->id);
   $self->update;
}
```

```
package Lacuna::Queue::Job;
use Moose;
use YAML;
has 'job' => (
   is => 'ro',
   isa => 'Beanstalk::Job',
   required => 1,
   handles => [qw(id buried reserved data error stats delete touch peek
   release bury args tube ttr priority)],
);
sub payload {
   my (\$self) = @_;
   my $args = $self->job->args;
   my $class = $args->{parent_table};
   my $id = $args->{parent id};
   my $thing = Lacuna->db->resultset($class)->find($id);
   return $thing;
 PACKAGE ->meta->make immutable;
1;
```

Open Source Repository

http://github.com/plainblack/Lacuna-Server-Open