GStreamer & Rust: An Update

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Who?

What?

Why Rust?



Status of the bindings

What is bound?

- All of core, almost all library API
- Subclassing support for all important base classes
- Many examples and ported tutorials
- Basically complete now!

Updates Since Last Year

- 0.13 and 0.14 releases
 - various bugfix releases
 - Update to 1.16 API
- New API and subclassing support for more base classes
- API cleanup and polishing
 - Minor breaking API changes

Moved to GStreamer GitLab

... from my personal GitHub

- New location
 - https://gitlab.freedesktop.org/gstreamer/gstrear
 rs
 - https://gitlab.freedesktop.org/gstreamer/gstplugins-rs

Subclassing

- For writing plugins, element/etc subclasses
- Integrated into the bindings directly now
- Allows for much nicer API
 - Check gstreamer-rs subclass example
 - Check gst-plugins-rs tutorial plugin

New Supported Base Classes

- Audio/video encoder/decoder
- Baseparse
- Clock, SystemClock
- DeviceProvider, Device
- Preset, TagSetter interfaces
- Added some missing virtual methods

New Libraries

- GStreamer Editing Services
 - With example application
- Check library
 - Test clock and harness
 - Used in various tests already

New API

- Memory, Allocator bindings
- Wayland & X11 Support in the GL library
- Custom logging functions

Improved Error Handling

- Fewer bools and Options, more Results
 - Enforces error handling
 - Standard idiomatic Rust error handling
- FlowReturn and similar enums split
 - Result<FlowSuccess, FlowError>

UniqueAdapter, UniqueFlowCombiner

- Wrappers that hide reference counting
- Allow Rust ownership & mutability handling
- Allow for more safe bindings
 - e.g. Adapter mapping

Overflow Checks

- Arithmetic operations on ClockTime, etc.
- Map to None value on overflows
 - -1/GST CLOCK TIME NONE in C
- Allows for safer calculations

- CDG decoder/parser
 - Karaoke video format
- MCC/SCC parser and encoder
 - Closed Caption file format

- Fallbackswitch
 - Automatic fallback to another input
- Lewton Vorbis Decoder
- rav1e AV1 encoder
 - Fastest available AV1 encoder

- Amazon S3 Sink/Source
- libsodium encrypter/decrypter

- Thread Sharing
 - See my talk from last year
 - Includes new rtpjitterbuffer element
 - Bigger refactoring pending

Future

Packaging and Distribution

- cerbero for 1.18
 - WIP:

https://gitlab.freedesktop.org/gstreamer/cerberd

- Linux distros
 - Arch: has, Debian: in progress
 - others...?

Make Plugins Feature-Complete

- reqwest HTTP source almost there
 - Almost feature-equivalent with souphttpsrc
- FLV demuxer
- Various minor features in other plugins

- dav1d AV1 decoder
 - WIP:

https://gitlab.freedesktop.org/gstreamer/gst-plugins-rs/merge_requests/186

- claxon FLAC decoder
 - WIP:
 - https://gitlab.freedesktop.org/gstreamer/gst-plugins-rs/merge_requests/187
- Wrappers around other existing Rust libraries

More Plugins, More Apps

- Bindings-wise nothing really missing
- Use it widely!

Thanks! Questions?

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