

λNative

Open Source Application Framework

<https://github.com/part-cw/lambdanative>

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What is λ Native?

- Cross-Platform Development Environment
 - Mobile: iOS, Android
 - PC/Embedded: OS X, Linux, Windows, OpenBSD
 - Native binaries from auto-generated C code
 - Scheme + C source
 - IDE independent command line build
- Based on the Gambit-C Scheme compiler
- Open Source (BSD Licensed)



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Timeline

Year	Milestone
1975	Scheme (Sussman & Steele @ MIT)
1989	Gambit Scheme (Feeley @ Universite de Montreal)
2009	Cross-platform OpenGL+Scheme framework (OpenBSD/Windows)
2010	OS X (carbon) + iOS + Linux support
2011	OS X (cocoa) + Android support
2013	λNative

App Framework Comparison

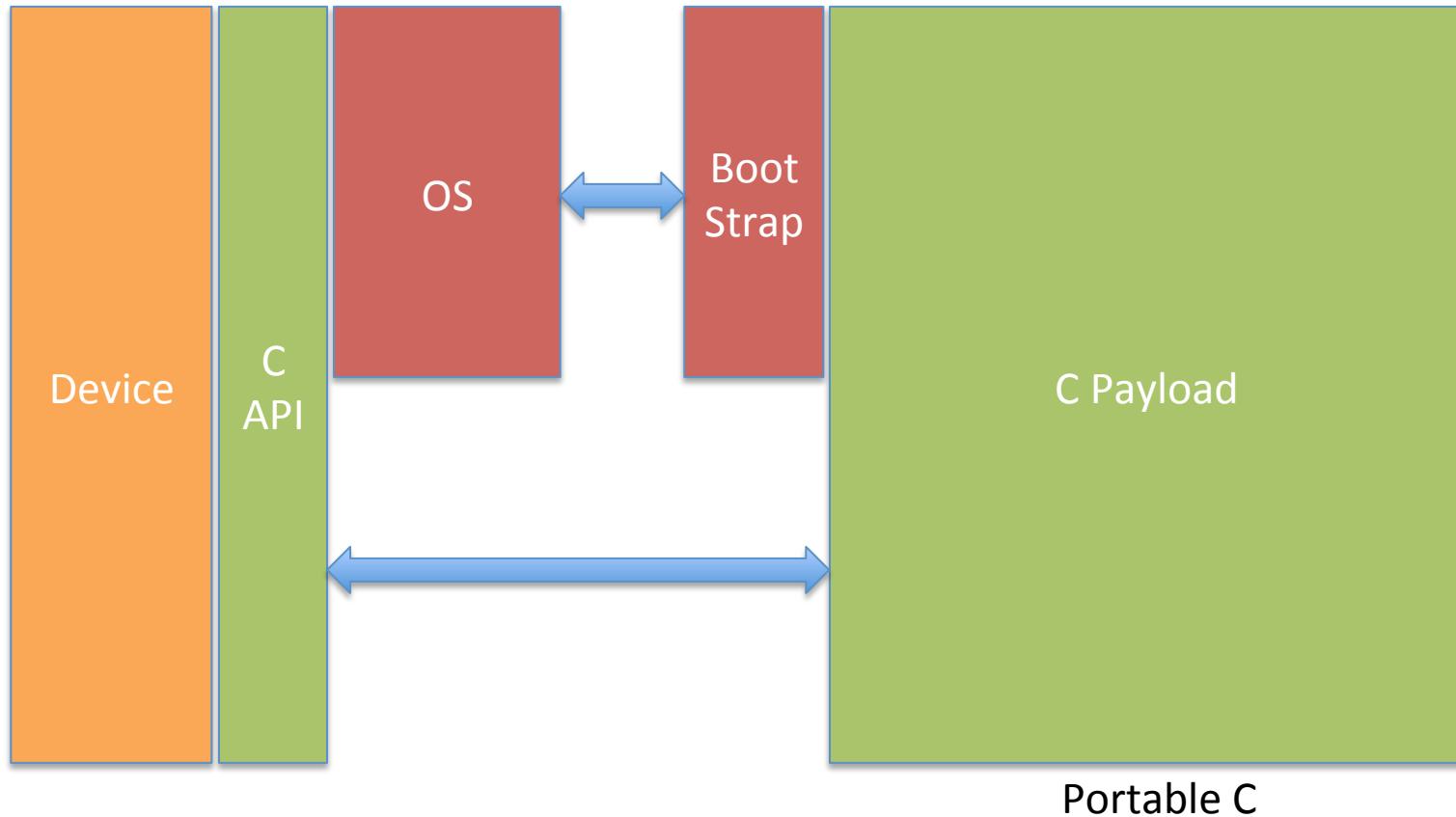
	Web	Interpreted	Native	iPhone	Android	W Phone	BlackBerry	PC + Console	License
 PhoneGap	●			●	●	●	●		Apache
 Sencha	●			●	●	●	●		GPL
 titanium		●		●	●	●	●		Apache
 Marmalade	●		●	●	●		●		\$
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Framework Pros and Cons

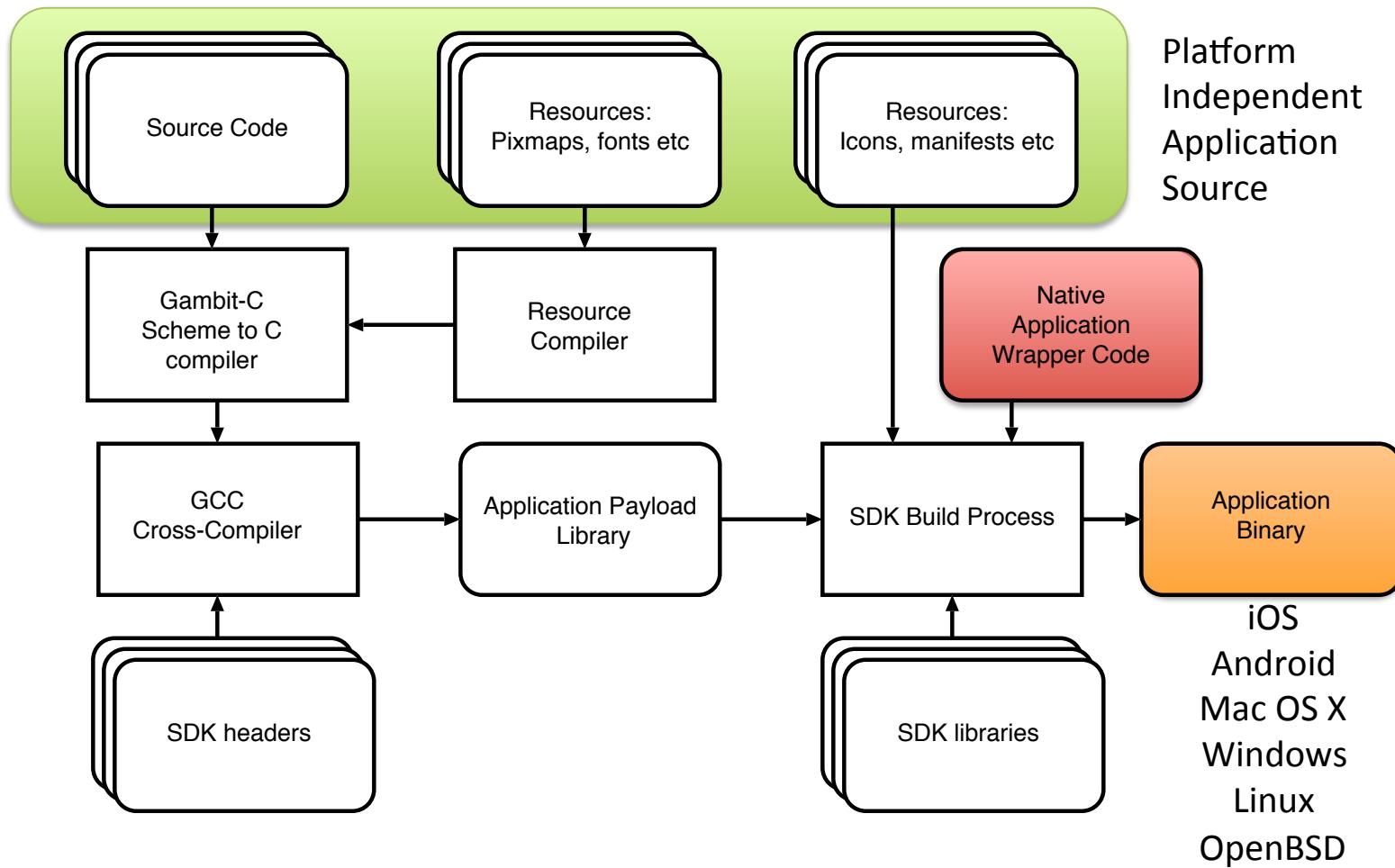
- Advantages
 - Reusable portable code base
 - Direct access to existing C based libraries
 - Fast native binaries
 - Brevity and simplicity of code
- Disadvantages
 - Limited access to native GUI elements
 - messaging, camera etc.
 - Limitations of OpenGL GUI (e.g. text handling)
 - Scheme learning curve

Framework Concept

Java/C++/Objective C..



Compilation Diagram



Configuration & Compilation

- Prerequisites:
 - `./PROFILE` developer ID & certificate handling
 - `./SETUP` cross-compiler locations
- `./configure <app> [<platform> [<mode>]]`
 - app
 - Application subdirectory in `./apps`
 - platform
 - android|ios|macosx|win32|linux
 - mode
 - debug|release
- `make [all|clean|scrub|install]`

Framework File Organization

PROFILE
SETUP

Configuration

Makefile
configure
make.sh

Build scripts

apps/MyApp/*
modules/MyModule/*

Scheme/C source code

libraries/lib*/build.sh.in

Supporting C libraries

bootstraps/*/*

Native platform launchers

fonts/*.ttf

Fonts

tools/*

Resource compilers etc



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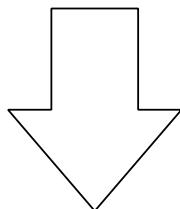
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Satellite Frameworks

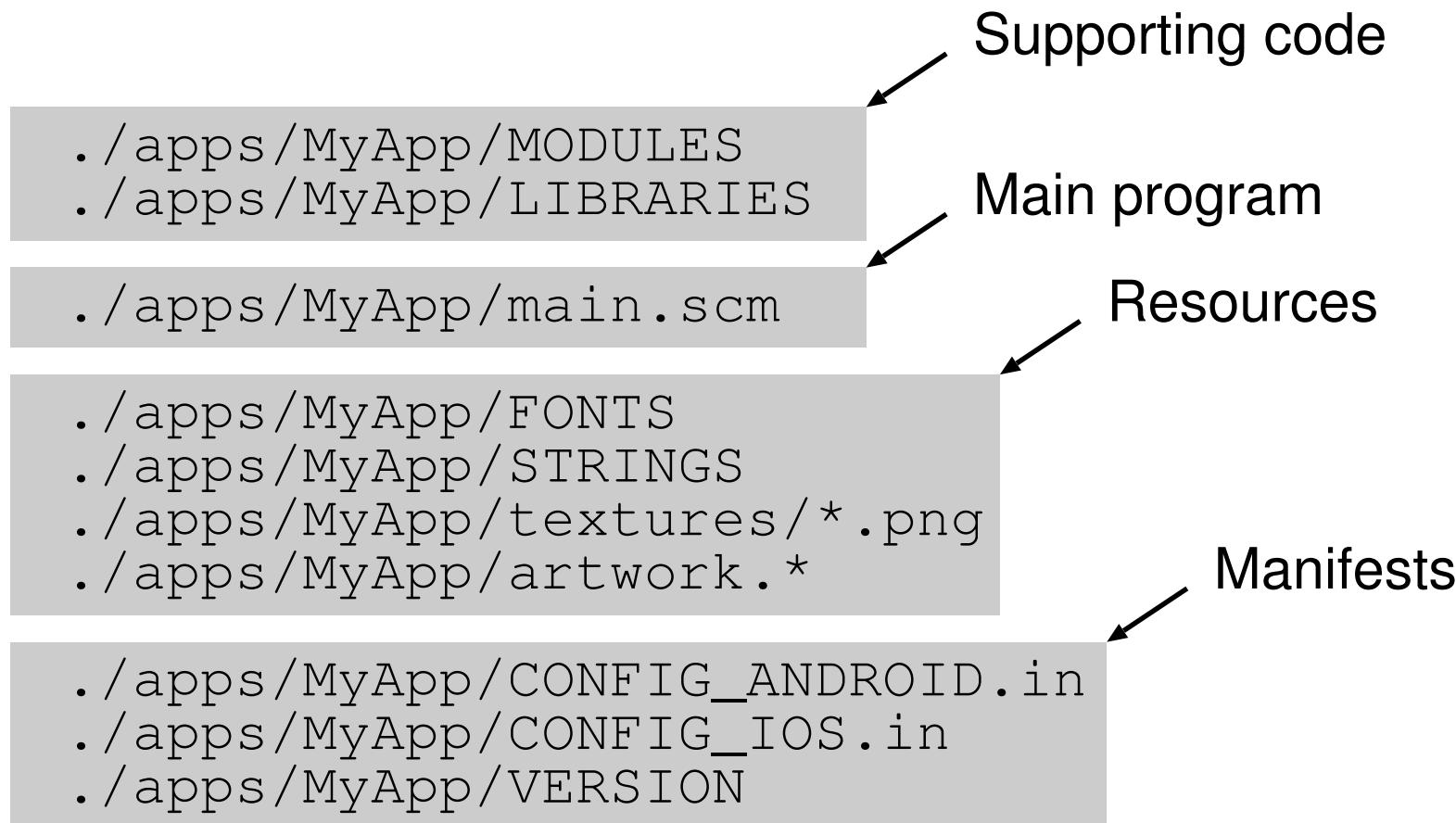
- Shadowing of multiple framework repositories
- Easy code base segmentation
 - E.g. based on projects, organization or privilege

```
/home/satellite_fw/:  
PROFILE  
apps/SatelliteApp/*  
modules/SatelliteModule/*  
libraries/libsatellite/*  
fonts/satfont.ttf
```



```
/home/lambdanative/:  
$ SYS_PATH=/home/satellite_fw ./configure SatelliteApp  
==> configured to build SatelliteApp for macosx on macosx in normal mode  
== using source in /home/satellite_fw/apps/SatelliteApp  
$ make  
...
```

Application File Organization



./apps/MyApp/MODULES

- List of all Scheme modules to include
 - Available modules reside in ./modules
 - config module is required for all apps
 - eventloop module is required for GUI apps

ln_core: General supporting algos

ln_glcore: OpenGL wrapper

ln_gogui: Widget-based GUI

ln_audio: Cross-platform audio



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./apps/MyApp/LIBRARIES

- List of all C libraries to link against
 - Available libraries reside in ./libraries
 - libgambc is minimum requirement
 - Supports conditional linking, e.g.
`libgambc libportaudio!ios!android`
-> don't use PortAudio on iOS and Android

./apps/MyApp/FONTS

- <ttf font> <bit depth> <point sizes> <name>
helvetica.ttf 7 12,16,24 myfont
- Truetype fonts reside in ./fonts
- Bit depth is 7 bits or 8 bits (extended ascii)
- Font texture is accessible as
<name>_<size>.fnt in code
myfont_16.fnt

./apps/MyApp/artwork.*

- Vector icon artwork in `artwork.eps`
 - Automatically converted to icon pixmaps
 - Green (#00ff00) is treated as transparent
 - Auto-generated 1024, 512, .., 16 pixel images



`./apps/MyApp/textures/*.png`

- PNG images compile to OpenGL textures
- Automatic padding to powers of two
- Supports RGBA/RGB/Grayscale PNG
 - converts to RGBA/RGB/Alpha textures
- Textures accessible as `<png name>.img` in program, e.g. `mypixmap.img`



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./apps/MyApp/CONFIG_ANDROID.in

```
# android manifest
# -----
#
# enable real-time audio (OpenSL based)
# #define RTAUDIO 1
#
#
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<manifest xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"
    package="@SYS_ORGTLID@. @SYS_ORGSLD@. @SYS_LOCASEAPPNAME@"
        android:versionCode="@SYS_APPVERSIONCODE@"
        android:versionName="@SYS_APPVERSION@"
    <uses-sdk android:minSdkVersion="9"/>
    <application android:label="@string/app_name"
        android:icon="@drawable/icon">
        <activity android:name="@SYS_APPNAME@"
            android:label="@string/app_name"
            android:launchMode="standard"
#
# prevent screen rotations
#             android:screenOrientation="landscape">
#             android:screenOrientation="portrait">
#                 android:configChanges="orientation|screenSize">
#                 android:configChanges="keyboardHidden|orientation|screenSize">
#                 android:configChanges="keyboardHidden|orientation">
#
#             <intent-filter>
#                 <action android:name="android.intent.action.MAIN" />
#                 <category android:name="android.intent.category.LAUNCHER" />
#             </intent-filter>
#         </activity>
    </application>
    <uses-permission android:name="android.permission.WRITE_EXTERNAL_STORAGE"/>
#
#     <uses-permission android:name="android.permission.INTERNET"/>
#
#     <uses-permission android:name="android.permission.BATTERY_STATS" />
#
#     <uses-permission android:name="android.permission.WAVE_LOCK" />
#
#     <uses-permission android:name="android.permission.RECORD_AUDIO" />
</manifest>
# eof
```

C conditional includes
#+ to add

Standard Manifest
to comment out

./apps/MyApp/CONFIG_IOS.in

```
# ios plist and compile options
#
# don't allow the screen to lock
#+ #define USE_NOLOCK
#
# generate device orientation events
# #define USE_ORIENTATION
#
#
# plist
#
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<!DOCTYPE plist PUBLIC "-//Apple//DTD PLIST 1.0//EN" "http://www.apple.com/DTDs/PropertyList-1.0.<
<plist version="1.0">
<dict>
<key>CFBundleDevelopmentRegion</key>
<string>English</string>
<key>CFBundleExecutable</key>
<string>@SYS_APPNAME@</string>
<key>CFBundleIdentifier</key>
<string>@SYS_ORGTL@. @SYS_ORGSLD@. @SYS_LOCASEAPPNAME@</string>
<key>CFBundleInfoDictionaryVersion</key>
<string>6.0</string>
<key>CFBundleLongVersionString</key>
<string>@SYS_APPVERSION@</string>
<key>CFBundlePackageType</key>
<string>APPL</string>
<key>CFBundleResourceSpecification</key>
<string>ResourceRules.plist</string>
<key>CFBundleSignature</key>
<string>????</string>
<key>CFBundleSupportedPlatforms</key>
<array>
<string>iPhoneOS</string>
</array>
<key>CFBundleVersion</key>
<string>@SYS_APPVERSION@</string>
<key>CFBundleDisplayName</key>
<string>@SYS_APPNAME@</string>
<key>UIStatusBarHidden</key>
<true/>
</dict>
</plist>
#eof
```



Minimal Console Program

```
(display "DemoConsole\n")

(let loop ()
  (with-exception-catcher (lambda (e)
    (for-each display
      (list (exception->string e) "\n")) #f)
    (lambda () (##repl-debug)))
  (loop))
```

```
$ .../DemoConsole
DemoConsole
> (+ 1 2)
3
>, q
$
```



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Minimal GUI program

```
(define gui #f)

(main
;; initialization
(lambda (w h)
  (make-window 320 480)
  (glgui-orientation-set! GUI_PORTRAIT)
  (set! gui (make-glgui))
  (let* ((w (glgui-width-get))
         (h (glgui-height-get))
         (dim (min (/ w 2) (/ h 2))))
    (glgui-box gui (/ (- w dim) 2) (/ (- h dim) 2) dim dim Red)))
)
;; events
(lambda (t x y)
  (if (= t EVENT_KEYPRESS) (begin
    (if (= x EVENT_KEYESCAPE) (terminate)))
    (glgui-event gui t x y)))
;;
termination
(lambda () #t)
;;
suspend
(lambda () (glgui-suspend))
;;
resume
(lambda () (glgui-resume))
)
```

GUI initialization
↓

Event loop ←



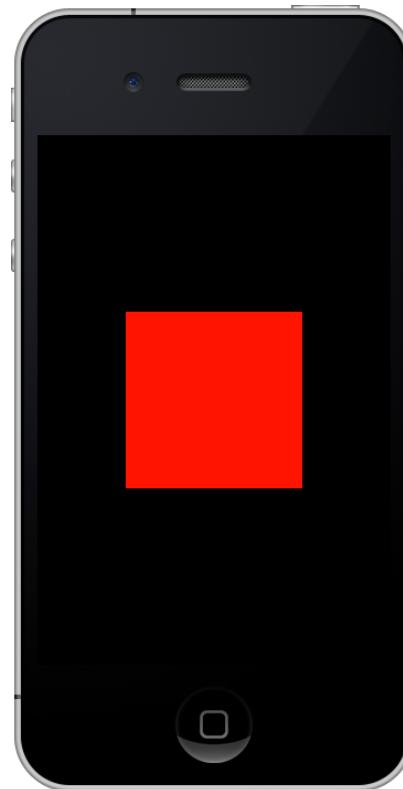
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DemoRedSquare

```
$ ./configure DemoRedSquare ios  
==> configured to build DemoRedSquare for ios on macosx in normal mode  
== using source in /home/lambdanative/apps/DemoRedSquare  
$ make; make install  
..
```



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