

### FOSSCOMM 2017

#### Mediawiki and AutoWikiBrowser

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# AutoWikiBrowser

The semi-automated wiki editor

Version 5.9.0.1



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### Wikipedia:



- Created in 2001 by Larry Sanger and Jimmy Wales
- Owned by non-profit Wikimedia Foundation
- Anyone can edit
- 40 million articles in 299 languages
- 25k-60k pages requests per second
- It is accessed via website, mobile apps, search engines, etc.



- Free and open-source wiki software.
- Originally developed by Magnus Manske and improved by Lee Daniel Crocker.
- Initial release: 2002
- It runs on many websites, including Wikipedia,
   Wiktionary and Wikimedia Commons.
- It is written in the PHP programming language and stores the contents into a database.
- The software is optimized to efficiently handle large projects, which can have terabytes of content and hundreds of thousands of hits per second.



# MediaWiki has had 79.849 commits made by 776 contributors, representing 540.379 lines of code

```
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       * Make URL indexes, appropriate for the el index field of externallinks.
960
       * @param string $url
       * @return array
963
       function wfMakeUrlIndexes( $url ) {
        $bits = wfParseUrl( $url );
966
        // Reverse the labels in the hostname, convert to lower case
967
        // For emails reverse domainpart only
968
        if ( $bits['scheme'] == 'mailto' ) {
969
          $mailparts = explode('@', $bits['host'], 2 );
970
          if ( count( $mailparts ) === 2 ) {
971
            $domainpart = strtolower( implode( '.', array reverse( explode( '.', $mailparts[1] ) ) );
972
          } else {
            // No domain specified, don't mangle it
974
            $domainpart = '';
975
976
          $reversedHost = $domainpart . '@' . $mailparts[0];
977
         } else {
978
          $reversedHost = strtolower( implode( '.', array reverse( explode( '.', $bits['host'] ) ) );
979
980
        // Add an extra dot to the end
        // Why? Is it in wrong place in mailto links?
982
        if ( substr( $reversedHost, -1, 1 ) !== '.' ) {
983
          $reversedHost .= '.';
984
985
        // Reconstruct the pseudo-URL
986
        $prot = $bits['scheme'];
        $index = $prot . $bits['delimiter'] . $reversedHost;
```



- https://www.mediawiki.org
- Extensions and themes



- Achieving scalability through multiple layers of caching and database replication has been a major concern for developers.
- On Wikipedia more than 1000 automated and semi-automated bots and other tools have been developed to assist in editing.



#### Editing Pride and Prejudice

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the emotional development of the protagonist, [[Elizabeth Bennet]], who learns the error of making hasty judgements and comes to appreciate the difference between the superficial and the essential. The comedy of the writing lies in the depiction of [[manners]], [[education]], and [[marriage]] and [[money]] in the [[Regency era|British Regency]].

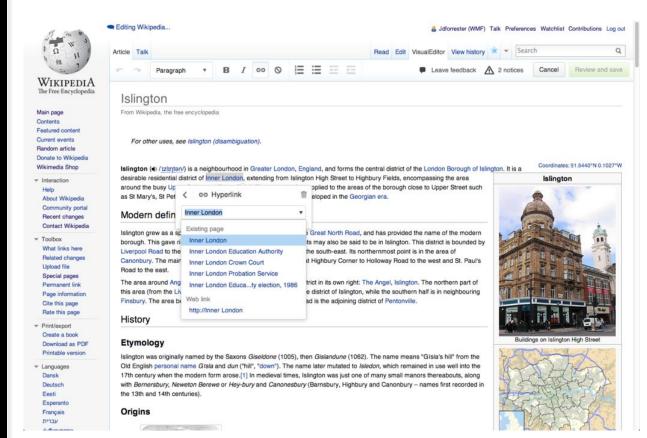
Mr Bennet of the Longbourn estate has five daughters, but his property is entailed, meaning that none of the girls can inherit it. Since his wife had no fortune, it is imperative that one of the girls marries well in order to support the others on his death. However, Jane Austen's opening line, "It is a truth universally acknowledged that a single man in possession of a good fortune must be in want of a wife" is a sentence filled with irony and playfulness. The novel revolves around the necessity of marrying for love, not simply for monetary reasons, despite the social pressures to make a good (i.e. wealthy) match.

"'Pride and Prejudice' retains the fascination of modern readers, consistently appearing near the top of lists of "most-loved books" among both [[Literary critics | literary scholars]] and the general public. It has become one of the most popular novels in [[English literature]], with over 20 million copies sold, and paved the way{{specify | date=December 2016}} for many archetypes that abound in modern literature. Continuing interest in the book has resulted in a number of dramatic adaptations and an abundance of novels and stories imitating Austen's memorable characters or themes.<ref>{{cite web | url=http://www.monstersandcritics.com/dvd/reviews/article\_1475660.php/Pride\_and\_Prejudice\_%E2%80%93\_Blu-

ray\_Review|title=Monstersandcritics.com|date=7 May 2009|publisher=Monstersandcritics.com|archive-url=https://web.archive.org/web/20091026154330/http://www.monstersandcritics.com:80/dvd/reviews/article\_1475660.php/Pride\_and\_Prejudice\_%E2%80%93\_Blu-ray\_Review|archive-date=26 October 2009|dead-url=yes|accessdate=27 January 2012}}
The 2005 film, ''[[Pride & Prejudice (2005 film)|Pride and Prejudice]]'', starring [[Keira Knightley]] and [[Matthew Macfadyen]] is the most recent Hollywood adaption of



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### Wikipedia:

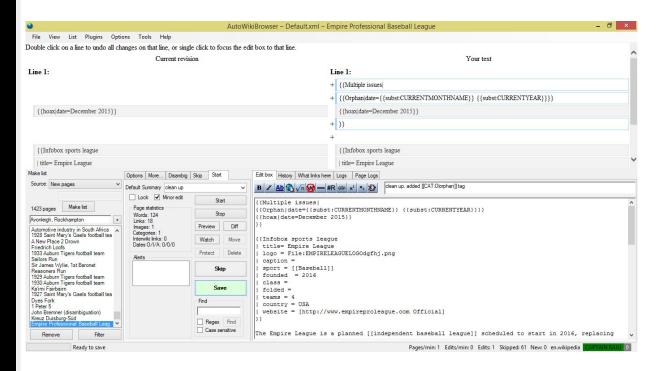
enwiki: 5,500,000 articles



- Big Data: Manual data processing is inadequate to deal with that amount of data
- Great need to apply same rules in all pages
- Many editors, not all familiar with Mediawiki and wikisyntax
- Vandalism
- Typos
- Mass re-categorisations etc.

#### AutoWikiBrowser





### AutoWikiBrowser



- Created in 2006
- Open-source
- Semi-automated MediaWiki editor for Windows
- > 100 code syntax fixes with the use of regular expressions
- Fully compatible with all Wikipedia and their sister projects
- Allows plugins
- Written in C#

# AWB is powerful



- Page edits since English Wikipedia was set up (2001):
   852,605,210 (Special:Statistics)
- AWB edits in en.wiki since 2009: 108,633,087 (https://tools.wmflabs.org/awb/stats/)
- AWB edits in en.wiki 2008-2009: 4,904,034 (https://tools.wmflabs.org/awb/stats/)
- Vi.wiki edits with AWB: 193,854,162
- Lietuval.it edits with AWB: 875,640,318

# The code at a glance



- > 3 millions lines of code [including libraries]
- 633K comments
- 1.6Mb code in C#
- 957 years of effort (COCOMO model)
- Many plugins
- Edit box supports the Microsoft Text Services
   Framework for use with speech
   recognition/handwriting applications
- Licence: GPL-2.0+
- https://www.openhub.net/p/AutoWikiBrowser



## Code is available at Sourceforge

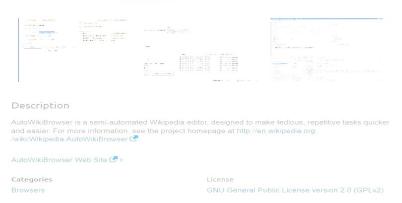




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## https://sourceforge.net/projects/autowikibrowser/





## The code

```
FixSyntax.cs Program.cs
                                                     Main.cs Tagger.cs SortMetaData.cs RegExTypoFix.cs RegexReplacement.cs References.cs Parsers.cs MetaDataSorter.cs HideText.cs
WikiFunctions.Parse.Parsers
    TemplateParameters. ^
    Templating.cs
                              336
 NoLimitsPlugin
                                                 // needs to be applied after SquareBracketsInExternalLinks
 TheTemplator
                              338
                                                 if (orphanedSingleBrackets && !SyntaxRegexFileWithHTTP.IsMatch(articleText))
                              339
 TypoScan
                              340
                                                     articleText = SyntaxRegexWikilinkMissingClosingBracket.Replace(articleText, "[[$1]]");
 UnitTests
                              341
                                                     articleText = SyntaxRegexWikilinkMissingOpeningBracket.Replace(articleText, "[[$1]]");
 WikiFunctions
                              342
   References
                              343
   d API
                              344
                                                 // adds missing http:// to bare url references lacking it - CHECKWIKI error 62
   Article
                              345
                                                 articleText = RefURLMissingHttp.Replace(articleText, @"$1http://www.");
   Background
                              346
                              347
                                                 // repair bad Image/external links, ssb check for performance
   - Controls
                              348
                                                 if (ssb.Any(m => m.Contains(":") && m.ToLower().Contains(":http")))
   CustomModules
                              349
                                                     articleText = SyntaxRegexExternalLinkToImageURL.Replace(articleText, "[$1]");
   B DBScanner
                              350
   i Diff
                              351
                                                 // CHECKWIKI error 69

    □ □ □ Disambiguation

                                                 bool isbnDash = articleText.Contains("ISBN-");
                                                 if (isbnDash || articleText.Contains("ISBN:") || articleText.Contains("ISBN\t") || ssb.Contains("[[ISBN]]"))
   in Lists
                              354
                                                     articleText = SyntaxRegexISBN.Replace(articleText, "ISBN $1");
   Logging Logging
   🚊 队 Parse
                              356
       BoldTitle.cs
                                                     articleText = SyntaxRegexISBN2.Replace(articleText, "ISBN ");
       CategoryDefaultSc
                              358
      CiteTemplates.cs
                              359
                                                 if (ssb.Contains("[[ISBN]]"))
                              360
                                                     articleText = SyntaxRegexISBN3.Replace(articleText, "ISBN $1");
     FindandReplace.cs
                              361
      FixDates.cs
                                                 if (ssb.Contains("[[International Standard Book Number|ISBN]]"))
       FixHeadings.cs
                              363
                                                     articleText = SyntaxRegexISBN4.Replace(articleText, "ISBN $1");
       FixSyntax.cs
                              364
      HideText.cs
                                                 if (articleText.Contains("PMID:"))
       MetaDataSorter.cs
                              366
                                                     articleText = SyntaxRegexPMID.Replace(articleText, "$1 $2");
       MultipleIssuesTem
                              367
                              368
                                                 // Remove sup tags from ordinals per [[WP:ORDINAL]].
       Parsers.cs
       PersonData.cs
```

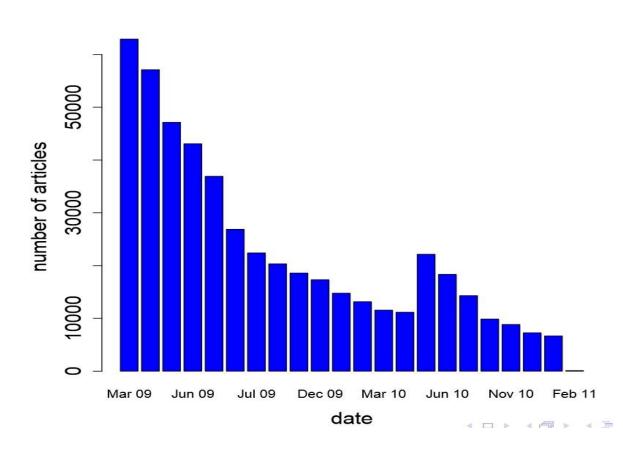


### The code

```
WikiFunctions.Parse.Parsers
                                                                          FixSvntax(string articleText)
                   // CHECKWIKE CITO
 250
                   bool badHttpLinks = Tools.DeduplicateList((from Match m in HttpLinks.Matches(articleText.ToLower()) select m.Value).ToList()).Any(s
 251
 252
                   if (badHttpLinks)
 253
                       articleText = MultipleHttpInLink.Replace(articleText, "$1");
 254
 255
                   articleText = MultipleFtpInLink.Replace(articleText, "$1");
 256
 257
                   if (badHttpLinks && TemplateExists(alltemplates, WikiRegexes.UrlTemplate))
 258
                       articleText = WikiRegexes.UrlTemplate.Replace(articleText, m => m.Value.Replace("http://", "http://"));
 259
                   if (badHttpLinks && !SyntaxRegexHTTPNumber.IsMatch(articleText))
 260
 262
                       articleText = MissingColonInHttpLink.Replace(articleText, "$1://$2");
                       articleText = SingleTripleSlashInHttpLink.Replace(articleText, "$1://$2");
                       articleText = articleText.Replace("https://http://", "https://");
 264
 265
 266
 267
                   if (CellpaddingTypoOuick.IsMatch(articleText))
 268
                       articleText = CellpaddingTypo.Replace(articleText, "$1cellpadding");
 269
 270
                   if (SimpleTagsList.Any(s => s.Contains("font")))
 271
                       articleText = RemoveNoPropertyFontTags.Replace(articleText, "$1");
 272
```



# An example: BLP tags



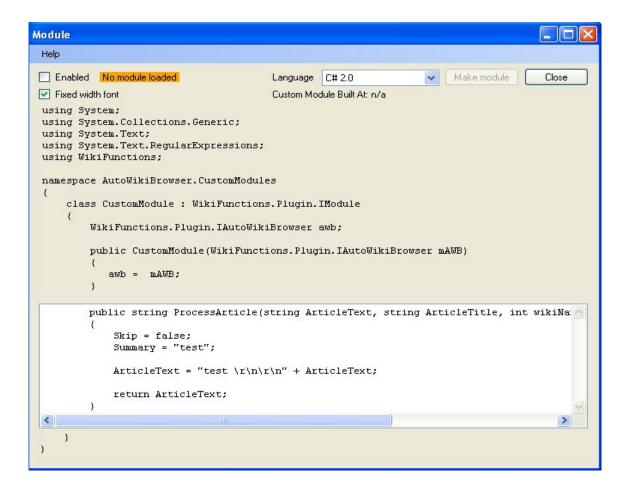


# Advanced tools

AWB Regex	Tester ? X
Find:	RegexOptions  MultiLine SingleLine IgnoreCase ExplicitCapture
Replace:	Find Replace
Text to search:	
Result:	

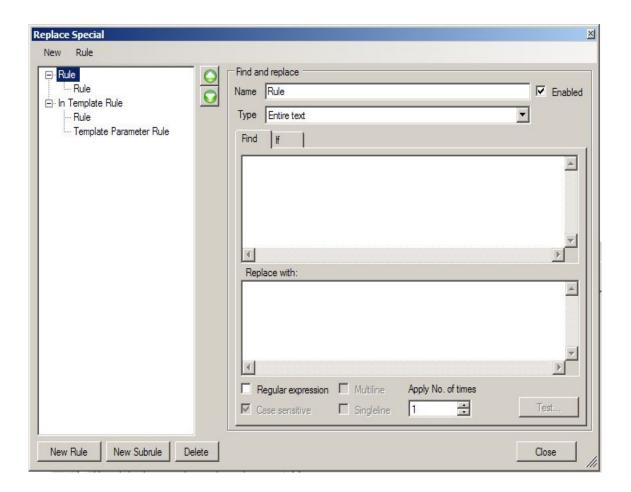


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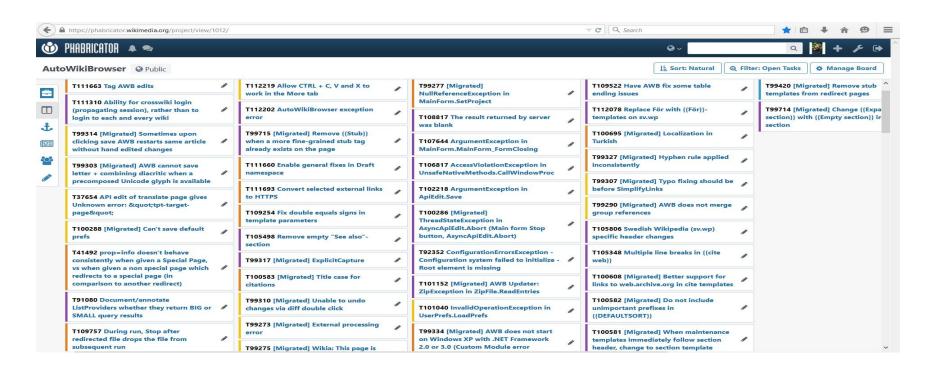


#### **Phabricator**



- It is a suite of web-based software development collaboration tools, including the Differential code review tool, the Diffusion repository browser, the Herald change monitoring tool, the Maniphest bug tracker and the Phriction wiki.
- Phabricator integrates with Git, Mercurial, and Subversion. It is available as free software under the Apache License, version 2.
- Phabricator was originally developed as an internal tool at Facebook. Phabricator's principal developer is Evan Priestley. Priestley left Facebook to continue Phabricator's development in a new company called Phacility.

# Report bugs and ideas!



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