



Dynamic Languages Symposium Chairs' Welcome

The Dynamic Languages Symposium (DLS) at OOPSLA 2006 is a forum for discussion of dynamic languages, their implementation and application. While mature dynamic languages including Smalltalk, Lisp, Basic, Scheme, and Prolog continue to grow and inspire new converts, a new generation of dynamic scripting languages such as Python, Ruby, PHP, and JavaScript are successful in a wide range of applications. DLS provides a place for researchers and practitioners to come together and share their knowledge, experience, and ideas for future research and development.

This year 12 papers were submitted to the Dynamic Languages Symposium and 6 papers were accepted. The program committee reviewed each paper and met electronically to select papers for the final program. The Dynamic Languages Symposium also hosts invited speakers. This year we are pleased host talks by Avi Bryant, Ian Piumarta, and Audrey Tang.

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