

Proposed Priorities for Chapel 1.17

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Top Priorities

- **complete initializers, deprecate constructors**
- **switch to LLVM-based back-end by default**
 - continue to support C-based back-end for quickstart / optional use
- **improve compilation speed**
 - create plan for separate compilation / REPL
- **GPU support**
- **more use of / improvements to error-handling**
- **support users / application studies**
- **multi-locale performance improvements**
- **'mason' package manager improvements**



Additional Priorities

- **library improvements**
 - particularly in support of apps/users
- **support for task-local variables**
- **further use of / improvements to ‘Owned’ / ‘Shared’**
- **internal compiler clean-ups / improvements**
- **optimize away record copies / define steal policies**
- **close remaining memory leaks**
- **online Chapel tutorial**
- **further numa affinity improvements**
- **better Python interoperability**





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