

Moving compiler flags

The process of moving the compiler's flags requires removing flags set in boards.txt and placing them in platform.txt. The flags are originally set by choosing them in the Arduino IDE's menu system. Boards.txt is the basis of the IDE's menu system and removing menu options means the setting must be toggled in another location. Declarations made in boards.txt will be pulled into the compiler patterns properly using the Arduino IDE, but when using Microchip's MPLab X the definitions created in boards.txt will not be incorporated into the compiler's patterns. Errors occur when sketches are uploaded because critical variables are never set during compilation.

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make -f nbproject/Makefile-default.mk SUBPROJECTS= .build-conf
make[1]: Entering directory 'C:/Users/paulm/Documents/pduncans_blink_avr128DA48.X'
make -f nbproject/Makefile-default.mk
dist/default/production/pduncans_blink_avr128DA48.X.production.hex
make[2]: Entering directory 'C:/Users/paulm/Documents/pduncans_blink_avr128DA48.X'
"C:\Program Files (x86)\Arduino\hardware\tools\avr\bin\avr-g++.exe" -
mmcu=avr128da48 -I "C:/Users/paulm/.mchp_packs/Microchip/AVR-
Dx_DFP/2.0.151/include" -B "C:/Users/paulm/.mchp_packs/Microchip/AVR-
Dx_DFP/2.0.151/gcc/dev/avr128da48" -x c++ -c -D__AVR128DA48__ -I"imported-core"
-funsigned-char -funsigned-bitfields -Os -ffunction-sections -fdata-sections -
fpack-struct -fshort-enums -DF_CPU=24000000L -DARDUINO=10802 -Davrda -DIDE=Arduino
-I "imported-core/api/deprecated" -Wall -MD -MP -MF
"build/default/production/imported-core/UART.o.d" -MT
"build/default/production/imported-core/UART.o.d" -MT
build/default/production/imported-core/UART.o -o
build/default/production/imported-core/UART.o imported-core/UART.cpp -
DXPRJ_default=default -Wall -std=gnu++17 -fpermissive -Wno-sized-deallocation -
fno-exceptions -ffunction-sections -fdata-sections -fno-threadsafe-statics -Wno-
error=narrowing -MMD -mrelax -DMILLIS_USE_TIMERB2 -DCLOCK_SOURCE=0 -std=gnu++11
"C:\Program Files (x86)\Arduino\hardware\tools\avr\bin\avr-g++.exe" -
mmcu=avr128da48 -I "C:/Users/paulm/.mchp_packs/Microchip/AVR-
Dx_DFP/2.0.151/include" -B "C:/Users/paulm/.mchp_packs/Microchip/AVR-
Dx_DFP/2.0.151/gcc/dev/avr128da48" -x c -c -D__AVR128DA48__ -I"imported-core" -
funsigned-char -funsigned-bitfields -Os -ffunction-sections -fdata-sections -
fpack-struct -fshort-enums -DF_CPU=24000000L -DARDUINO=10802 -Davrda -DIDE=Arduino
-I "imported-core/api/deprecated" -Wall -MD -MP -MF
"build/default/production/imported-core/wiring_analog.o.d" -MT
"build/default/production/imported-core/wiring_analog.o.d" -MT
build/default/production/imported-core/wiring_analog.o -o
build/default/production/imported-core/wiring_analog.o imported-
core/wiring_analog.c -DXPRJ_default=default -Wall -std=gnu11 -ffunction-
sections -fdata-sections -MMD -fno-fat-lto-objects -mrelax -Werror=implicit-
function-declaration -Wundef -DMILLIS_USE_TIMERB2 -DCLOCK_SOURCE=0
"C:\Program Files (x86)\Arduino\hardware\tools\avr\bin\avr-g++.exe" -
mmcu=avr128da48 -I "C:/Users/paulm/.mchp_packs/Microchip/AVR-
Dx_DFP/2.0.151/include" -B "C:/Users/paulm/.mchp_packs/Microchip/AVR-
Dx_DFP/2.0.151/gcc/dev/avr128da48" -x c -c -D__AVR128DA48__ -I"imported-core" -
funsigned-char -funsigned-bitfields -Os -ffunction-sections -fdata-sections -
fpack-struct -fshort-enums -DF_CPU=24000000L -DARDUINO=10802 -Davrda -DIDE=Arduino
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-I "imported-core/api/deprecated" -Wall -MD -MP -MF
"build/default/production/imported-core/wiring_digital.o.d" -MT
"build/default/production/imported-core/wiring_digital.o.d" -MT
build/default/production/imported-core/wiring_digital.o -o
build/default/production/imported-core/wiring_digital.o imported-
core/wiring_digital.c -DXPRJ_default=default -Wall -std=gnu11 -ffunction-
sections -fdata-sections -MMD -fno-fat-lto-objects -mrelax -Werror=implicit-
function-declaration -Wundef -DMILLIS_USE_TIMERB2 -DCLOCK_SOURCE=0
In file included from imported-core/core_devices.h:11:0,
    from imported-core/Arduino.h:27,
    from imported-core/UART.cpp:22:
imported-core/core_parameters.h:17:8: warning: #warning "All of the version
defines are missing, please correct your build environment; it is likely failing
to define other critical values" [-Wcpp]
    #warning "All of the version defines are missing, please correct your build
environment; it is likely failing to define other critical values"
    ^~~~~~
In file included from imported-core/core_devices.h:11:0,
    from imported-core/Arduino.h:27,
    from imported-core/wiring_private.h:30,
    from imported-core/wiring_digital.c:26:
imported-core/core_parameters.h:17:8: warning: #warning "All of the version
defines are missing, please correct your build environment; it is likely failing
to define other critical values" [-Wcpp]
    #warning "All of the version defines are missing, please correct your build
environment; it is likely failing to define other critical values"
    ^~~~~~
In file included from imported-core/core_devices.h:11:0,
    from imported-core/Arduino.h:27,
    from imported-core/wiring_private.h:30,
    from imported-core/wiring_analog.c:25:
imported-core/core_parameters.h:17:8: warning: #warning "All of the version
defines are missing, please correct your build environment; it is likely failing
to define other critical values" [-Wcpp]
    #warning "All of the version defines are missing, please correct your build
environment; it is likely failing to define other critical values"
    ^~~~~~
nbproject/Makefile-default.mk:501: recipe for target
'build/default/production/imported-core/UART.o' failed
imported-core/UART.cpp: In member function 'virtual void UartClass::begin(long
unsigned int, uint16_t)':
imported-core/UART.cpp:375:27: error: 'USART_RXMODE0_bm' was not declared in this
scope
    ctrlb |= USART_RXMODE0_bm; // set the U2X bit in what
will become CTRLB
    ^~~~~~
imported-core/UART.cpp:375:27: note: suggested alternative: 'USART_RXMODE_0_bm'
    ctrlb |= USART_RXMODE0_bm; // set the U2X bit in what
will become CTRLB
    ^~~~~~
    USART_RXMODE_0_bm
make[2]: *** [build/default/production/imported-core/UART.o] Error 1
make[2]: *** Waiting for unfinished jobs....
nbproject/Makefile-default.mk:291: recipe for target
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'build/default/production/imported-core/wiring_digital.o' failed
In file included from imported-core/wiring_private.h:30:0,
nbproject/Makefile-default.mk:285: recipe for target
'build/default/production/imported-core/wiring_analog.o' failed
In function 'check_constant_pin',
make[2]: Leaving directory 'C:/Users/paulm/Documents/pduncans_blink_avr128DA48.X'
      from imported-core/wiring_digital.c:26:
      inlined from 'digitalWriteFast' at imported-core/wiring_digital.c:420:3:
nbproject/Makefile-default.mk:95: recipe for target '.build-conf' failed
imported-core/Arduino.h:58:5: error: call to 'badArg' declared with attribute
error:
make[1]: Leaving directory 'C:/Users/paulm/Documents/pduncans_blink_avr128DA48.X'
      badArg("Fast digital pin must be a constant");
nbproject/Makefile-impl.mk:39: recipe for target '.build-impl' failed
      ^~~~~~
In function 'check_constant_pin',
      inlined from 'digitalReadFast' at imported-core/wiring_digital.c:478:3:
imported-core/Arduino.h:58:5: error: call to 'badArg' declared with attribute
error:
      badArg("Fast digital pin must be a constant");
      ^~~~~~
In function 'check_constant_pin',
      inlined from 'openDrainFast' at imported-core/wiring_digital.c:511:3:
imported-core/Arduino.h:58:5: error: call to 'badArg' declared with attribute
error:
      badArg("Fast digital pin must be a constant");
      ^~~~~~
In function 'check_constant_pin',
      inlined from 'pinModeFast' at imported-core/wiring_digital.c:534:3:
imported-core/Arduino.h:58:5: error: call to 'badArg' declared with attribute
error:
      badArg("Fast digital pin must be a constant");
      ^~~~~~
imported-core/wiring_digital.c: In function 'pinModeFast':
imported-core/wiring_digital.c:536:5: error: call to 'badArg' declared with
attribute error:
      badArg("mode must be constant when used with pinModeFast");
      ^~~~~~
make[2]: *** [build/default/production/imported-core/wiring_digital.o] Error 1
imported-core/wiring_analog.c: In function 'resumeTCD0':
imported-core/wiring_analog.c:734:3: error: call to 'badCall' declared with
attribute error:
      badCall("Resuming core control of type D timer not supported.");
      ^~~~~~
make[2]: *** [build/default/production/imported-core/wiring_analog.o] Error 1
make[1]: *** [.build-conf] Error 2
make: *** [.build-impl] Error 2

BUILD FAILED (exit value 2, total time: 412ms)

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It can also be seen above that the compiler patterns are not the same when comparing them to the patterns created in platform.txt:

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#####
# Compile Patterns #
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## Compile c files
recipe.c.o.pattern="{compiler.path}{compiler.c.cmd}" {compiler.c.flags} -mmcu=
{build.mcu} {build.optiondefines} {build.versiondefines} {compiler.c.extra_flags}
{build.extra_flags} "-I{build.core.path}/api/deprecated" {includes} "
{source_file}" -o "{object_file}"

## Compile c++ files
recipe.cpp.o.pattern="{compiler.path}{compiler.cpp.cmd}" {compiler.cpp.flags} -
mmcu={build.mcu} {build.optiondefines} {build.versiondefines}
{compiler.cpp.extra_flags} {build.extra_flags} "-
I{build.core.path}/api/deprecated" {includes} "{source_file}" -o "{object_file}"

## Compile S files
recipe.S.o.pattern="{compiler.path}{compiler.c.cmd}" {compiler.S.flags} -mmcu=
{build.mcu} {build.optiondefines} {build.versiondefines} {compiler.S.extra_flags}
{build.extra_flags} "-I{build.core.path}/api/deprecated" {includes} "
{source_file}" -o "{object_file}"
```

These patterns are written out correctly in the Arduino IDE during the compilation process.

```
"C:\\Users\\paulm\\AppData\\Local\\Arduino15\\packages\\DxCore\\tools\\avr-
gcc\\7.3.0-atmel3.6.1-azduino4b/bin/avr-g++" -c -g -Os -Wall -std=gnu++17 -
fpermissive -Wno-sized-deallocation -fno-exceptions -ffunction-sections -fdata-
sections -fno-threadsafe-statics -Wno-error=narrowing -flto -mrelax -w -x c++ -E -
CC -mmcu=avr128da48 -DF_CPU=24000000L -DCLOCK_SOURCE=0 -DCORE_ATTACH_ALL -
DTWI_MORS_SINGLE -DMILLIS_USE_TIMERB2 -DARDUINO=10816 -DARDUINO_avrda -
DARDUINO_ARCH_MEGA AVR "-DDXCORE=\"1.4.6\" \" -DDXCORE_MAJOR=1UL -DDXCORE_MINOR=4UL -
DDXCORE_PATCH=6UL -DDXCORE_RELEASED=0 \" -
IC:\\Users\\paulm\\AppData\\Local\\Arduino15\\packages\\DxCore\\hardware\\megaavr\\
1.4.6\\cores\\dxcore/api/deprecated" "-
IC:\\Users\\paulm\\AppData\\Local\\Arduino15\\packages\\DxCore\\hardware\\megaavr\\
1.4.6\\cores\\dxcore" "-
IC:\\Users\\paulm\\AppData\\Local\\Arduino15\\packages\\DxCore\\hardware\\megaavr\\
1.4.6\\variants\\48pin-standard"
"C:\\Users\\paulm\\AppData\\Local\\Temp\\arduino_build_352325\\sketch\\sketch_jan1
7a.ino.cpp" -o nul
Generating function prototypes...
"C:\\Users\\paulm\\AppData\\Local\\Arduino15\\packages\\DxCore\\tools\\avr-
gcc\\7.3.0-atmel3.6.1-azduino4b/bin/avr-g++" -c -g -Os -Wall -std=gnu++17 -
fpermissive -Wno-sized-deallocation -fno-exceptions -ffunction-sections -fdata-
sections -fno-threadsafe-statics -Wno-error=narrowing -flto -mrelax -w -x c++ -E -
```

```
CC -mmcu=avr128da48 -DF_CPU=2400000L -DCLOCK_SOURCE=0 -DCORE_ATTACH_ALL -
DTWI_MORS_SINGLE -DMILLIS_USE_TIMERB2 -DARDUINO=10816 -DARDUINO_avrda -
DARDUINO_ARCH_MEGA AVR "-DDXCORE=\"1.4.6\" \" -DDXCORE_MAJOR=1UL -DDXCORE_MINOR=4UL -
DDXCORE_PATCH=6UL -DDXCORE_RELEASED=0 \"-
IC:\\Users\\paulm\\AppData\\Local\\Arduino15\\packages\\DxCore\\hardware\\megaavr\\
1.4.6\\cores\\dxcore/api/deprecated\" \"-
IC:\\Users\\paulm\\AppData\\Local\\Arduino15\\packages\\DxCore\\hardware\\megaavr\\
1.4.6\\cores\\dxcore\" \"-
IC:\\Users\\paulm\\AppData\\Local\\Arduino15\\packages\\DxCore\\hardware\\megaavr\\
1.4.6\\variants\\48pin-standard\"
"C:\\Users\\paulm\\AppData\\Local\\Temp\\arduino_build_352325\\sketch\\sketch_jan1
7a.ino.cpp" -o
"C:\\Users\\paulm\\AppData\\Local\\Temp\\arduino_build_352325\\preproc\\ctags_targ
et_for_gcc_minus_e.cpp"
"C:\\Users\\paulm\\Downloads\\arduino-1.8.16-windows\\arduino-1.8.16\\tools-
builder\\ctags\\5.8-arduino11\\ctags\" -u --language-force=c++ -f - --c++-kinds=svpf
--fields=KSTtzn --line-directives
"C:\\Users\\paulm\\AppData\\Local\\Temp\\arduino_build_352325\\preproc\\ctags_targ
et_for_gcc_minus_e.cpp"
Compiling sketch...
```

How to move compiler flags

In platform.txt the necessary flags should be set in this manner:

```
build.optiondefines=-DF_CPU=2400000L -DCLOCK_SOURCE=0 -DCORE_ATTACH_ALL -
DTWI_MORS_SINGLE -DMILLIS_USE_TIMERB2

# Extra declarations to test moving setting from boards.txt
build.clocksource=0
build.wireabr=.w0
build.millis=-DMILLIS_USE_TIMERB2
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The "build.", "bootloader.", "compiler."...etc declare a variable that can be set after the equals sign. The set variable's definition will be entered into compiler recipes. Boards.txt and platform.txt use the "{}" operators to indicate where the values should be replaced with the set definition.