

## 3.7.3. Scripts

CMake can be used as a cross-platform scripting language.

cmake基本上就可以当成是一个跨平台的脚本语言来使用

 CMake documentation

- [CMake options](#)

### 3.7.3.1. Example

Script for creating file:

```
# create-file.cmake

file(WRITE Hello.txt "Created by script")
```

Run script by `cmake -P :`

注意这里是 大写的 P

```
[cmake-sources]> rm -f Hello.txt
[cmake-sources]> cmake -P script/create-file.cmake
[cmake-sources]> ls Hello.txt
Hello.txt
[cmake-sources]> cat Hello.txt
Created by script
```

### 3.7.3.2. Minimum required (bad)

We should use `cmake_minimum_required` as the first command in script just like with the regular CMakeLists.txt. Lack of `cmake_minimum_required` may lead to problems:

```
# script.cmake

set("Jane Doe" "")
set(MYNAME "Jane Doe")

message("MYNAME: ${MYNAME}")

if("${MYNAME}" STREQUAL "")
  message("MYNAME is empty!")
endif()
```

在脚本中也使用  
cmake\_minimum\_required  
在cmake脚本中  
本中也应该先使用  
这条命令

```
[cmake-sources]> cmake -P minimum-required-bad/script.cmake
MYNAME: Jane Doe
CMake Warning (dev) at minimum-required-bad/script.cmake:6 (if):
  Policy CMP0054 is not set: Only interpret if() arguments as variables or
  keywords when unquoted. Run "cmake --help-policy CMP0054" for policy
  details. Use the cmake_policy command to set the policy and suppress this
  warning.

  Quoted variables like "Jane Doe" will no longer be dereferenced when the
  policy is set to NEW. Since the policy is not set the OLD behavior will be
  used.
This warning is for project developers. Use -Wno-dev to suppress it.

MYNAME is empty!
```

### 3.7.3.3. Minimum required (good)

Same example with `cmake_minimum_required` works correctly and without warning:

```
# script.cmake

cmake_minimum_required(VERSION 3.1)

set("Jane Doe" "")
set(MYNAME "Jane Doe")

message("MYNAME: ${MYNAME}")

if("${MYNAME}" STREQUAL "")
  message("MYNAME is empty!")
endif()
```

```
[cmake-sources]> cmake -P minimum-required-good/script.cmake
MYNAME: Jane Doe
```

### 3.7.3.4. cmake -E

-E cmake 命令行模式  
使用cmake的删除命令就可以做到跨平台，因为不同平台的删除命令是不一样的

Example of using `cmake -E remove_directory` instead of native `rm` / `rmdir` commands:

 CMake documentation

- [Command-Line Tool Mode](#)

```

cmake_minimum_required(VERSION 2.8)
project(foo NONE)

set(dir_to_remove "${CMAKE_CURRENT_BINARY_DIR}/__temp")

if(WIN32)
    # 'rmdir' will exit with error if directory doesn't exist
    # so we have to put 'if' here
    if(EXISTS "${dir_to_remove}")
        # need to convert to windows-style path
        file(TO_NATIVE_PATH "${dir_to_remove}" native_path)
        execute_process(
            COMMAND cmd /c rmdir "${native_path}" /S /Q
            RESULT_VARIABLE result
        )
    endif()
else()
    # no need to put 'if', 'rm -rf' produce no error if directory doesn't exist
    execute_process(
        COMMAND rm -rf "${dir_to_remove}"
        RESULT_VARIABLE result
    )
endif()

if(NOT result EQUAL 0)
    # Error
endif()

```

Same code with `cmake -E`:

```

cmake_minimum_required(VERSION 2.8)
project(foo NONE)

execute_process(
    COMMAND "${CMAKE_COMMAND}" -E remove_directory "${CMAKE_CURRENT_BINARY_DIR}/__temp"
    RESULT_VARIABLE result
)

if(NOT result EQUAL 0)
    # Error
endif()

```

### ! Note

It's easier to use `file(REMOVE_RECURSE ...)` in this particular example