

# Introduction to CMake

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# CMake tool sets

## CMake

CMake is a *cross-platform build systems generator* which makes it easier to build software in a unified manner on a broad set of platforms:



CMake has friends softwares that may be used on their own or together:

- CMake: build system generator
- CPack: package generator
- CTest: systematic test driver
- CDash: a dashboard collector

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# Build what?

## Software build system

A software build system is the usage of a [set of] tool[s] for building software applications.

## Why do we need that?



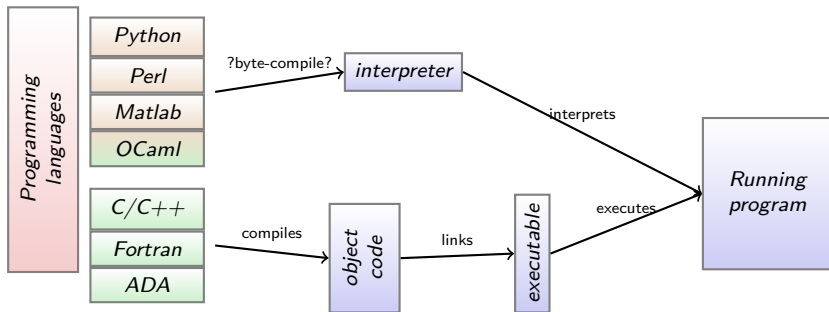


- because most softwares consist of several parts that need some *building* to put them together,
- because softwares are written in *various languages* that may share the same building process,



## Compiled vs interpreted or what?

Building an application requires the use of some programming *language*: Python, Java, C++, Fortran, C, Go, Tcl/Tk, Ruby, Perl, OCaml,...



## Compiled vs interpreted or what?

The diagram illustrates the compilation and execution process for various programming languages. On the left, a vertical box labeled "Programming languages" contains a list of languages: Python, Perl, Matlab, OCaml, C/C++, Fortran, and ADA. Python, Perl, and Matlab are grouped under a light blue background, while OCaml, C/C++, Fortran, and ADA are grouped under a light green background. An arrow labeled "?byte-compile?" points from the first group to a box labeled "interpreter". An arrow labeled "interprets" points from the "interpreter" box to a box labeled "Running program". An arrow labeled "compiles" points from the second group to a box labeled "object code". An arrow labeled "links" points from the "object code" box to a box labeled "executable". An arrow labeled "executes" points from the "executable" box to the "Running program" box. The background of the diagram is a gradient of colors: light blue at the top, light green in the middle, and light red at the bottom. In the bottom right corner, there is a logo for CMake, which consists of a stylized triangle made of three smaller triangles in red, green, and blue, followed by the text "CMake" and "Cross-platform Make" below it.

## Alternatives

- (portable) hand-written Makefiles, depends on make tool (may be GNU Make).
- Apache ant (or Maven or Gradle), dedicated to Java (almost).
- Portable IDE: Eclipse, Code::Blocks, Geany, NetBeans, ...
- GNU Autotools: Autoconf, Automake, Libtool. Produce makefiles. Bourne shell needed (and M4 macro processor).
- SCons only depends on Python.
- ...

## Build systems or build systems generator

## Build systems

A tool which builds, a.k.a. compiles, a set of source files in order to produce binary executables and libraries. Those kind of tools usually takes as input a file (e.g. a Makefile) and while reading it issues compile commands. The main goal of a build tool is to (re)build the minimal subset of files when something changes. A non exhaustive list: [\[GNU make, ninja, MSBuild, SCons, ant, ...\]](#)

A **Build systems generator** is a tool which generates files for a particular build system. e.g. **CMake** or **Autotools**.



## A sample Makefile for make

```

1 CC=gcc
2 CFLAGS=-Wall -Werror -pedantic -std=c99
3 LDFLAGS=
4 EXECUTABLES=Acrodictlibre Acrolibre
5
6 # default rule (the first one)
7 all : $(EXECUTABLES)
8 # explicit link target
9 Acrolibre: acrolibre.o
10     $(CC) $(CFLAGS) -o $@ $^
11 # explicit link and compile target
12 Acrodictlibre: acrolibre.c acrodict.o
13     $(CC) $(CFLAGS) -DUSE_ACRODICT -o $@ $^
14
15 # Implicit rule using file extension
16 # Every .o file depends on corresponding .c (and may be .h) file
17 %.o : %.c %.h
18     $(CC) $(CFLAGS) -c $<
19 %.o : %.c
20     $(CC) $(CFLAGS) -c $<
21 clean:
22     @\rm -f *.o $(EXECUTABLES)

```



# Comparisons and [success] stories

## Disclaimer

This presentation is biased. *I mean totally.*

I am a big CMake fan, I did contribute to CMake, thus I'm not impartial *at all*. But I will be ready to discuss why CMake is the greatest build system out there :-)

Go and forge your own opinion:

- Bare list: [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List\\_of\\_build\\_automation\\_software](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_build_automation_software)
- A comparison:  
<http://www.scons.org/wiki/SconsVsOtherBuildTools>
- KDE success story (2006): “*Why the KDE project switched to CMake – and how*” <http://lwn.net/Articles/188693/>





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# A build system generator

- CMake is a *generator*: it generates *native* build systems files (Makefile, Ninja, IDE project files [XCode, CodeBlocks, Eclipse CDT, Codelite, Visual Studio, Sublime Text...], ...),
- CMake scripting language (declarative) is used to describe the build,
- The developer edits `CMakeLists.txt`, invokes CMake but should *never* edit the generated files,
- CMake may be (automatically) re-invoked by the build system,
- CMake has friends who may be very handy (CPack, CTest, CDash)

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## When do things take place?

CMake is a *generator* which means it does not compile (i.e. build) the sources, the underlying build tool (make, Ninja, XCode, Visual Studio...) does.

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- 5 *Package Install time*: the package (from previous step) is installed

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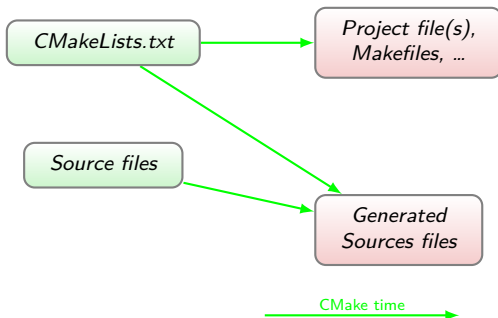
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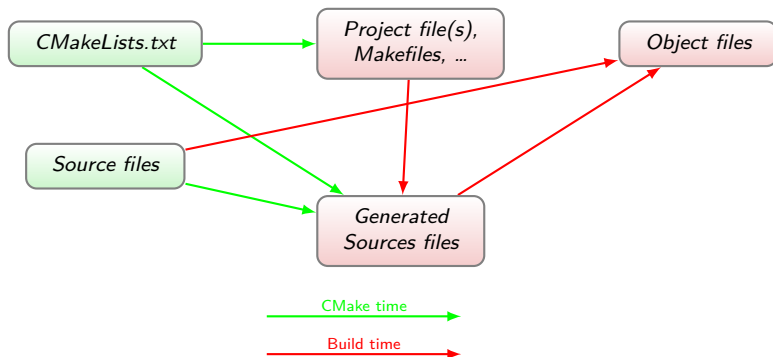
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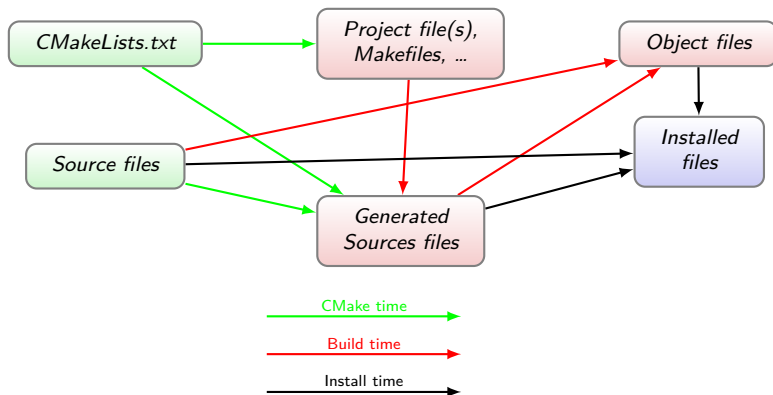
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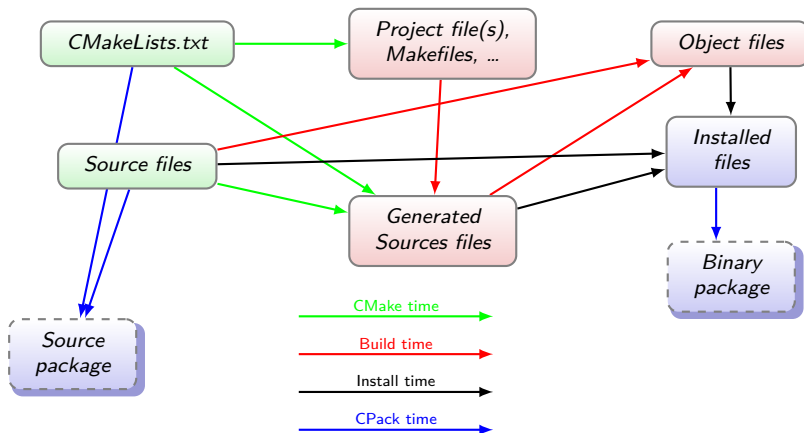
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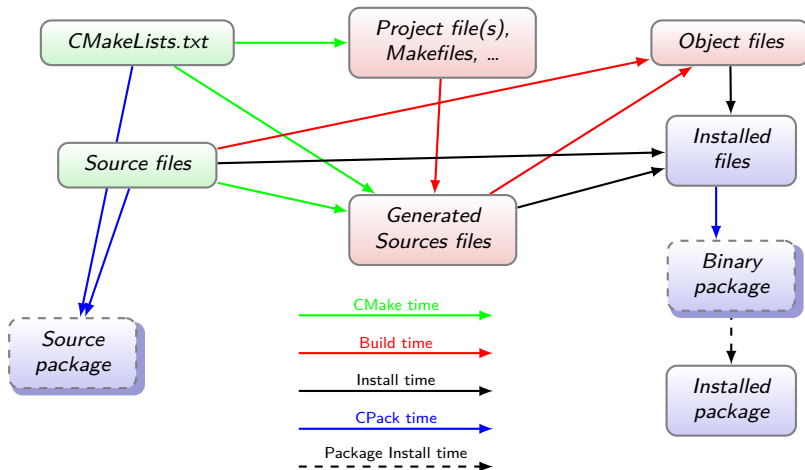


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# Building an executable

```
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2 # This project use C source code
3 project (TotallyFree C)
4 set(CMAKE_C_STANDARD 99)
5 set(CMAKE_C_EXTENSIONS False)
6 # build executable using specified list of source files
7 add_executable(Acrolibre acrolibre.c)
```

Listing 1: Building a simple program

CMake scripting language is [mostly] declarative. It has *commands* which are documented from within CMake:

```
$ cmake --help-command-list | wc -l
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$ cmake --help-command add_executable
...
add_executable
    Add an executable to the project using the specified source files.
```

# Builtin documentation

\_\_\_\_\_ CMake builtin doc for 'project' command \_\_\_\_\_

```
$ cmake --help-command project
project
-----
```

Set a name, version, and enable languages for the entire project.

```
project(<PROJECT-NAME> [LANGUAGES] [<language-name>...])
project(<PROJECT-NAME>
    [VERSION <major>[.<minor>[.<patch>[.<tweak>]]]]
    [LANGUAGES <language-name>...])
```

Sets the name of the project and stores the name in the  
`PROJECT\_NAME` variable.

[...]

Optionally you can specify which languages your project supports.

Example languages are **CXX** (i.e. C++), **C**, **Fortran**, etc. By default **C** and **CXX** are enabled.

E.g. if you do not have a C++ compiler, you can disable the check for it by explicitly listing the languages you want to support, e.g. **C**. By using the special language **"NONE"** all checks for any language can be disabled.

Online doc : <https://cmake.org/documentation/>

Unix Manual: `cmake-variables(7)`, `cmake-commands(7)`, `cmake-xxx(7)`, ...

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# Generating & building

Building with CMake and `make` is easy:

Building with make

```
$ ls totally-free
acrolibre.c  CMakeLists.txt
$ mkdir build
$ cd build
$ cmake ../totally-free
-- The C compiler identification is GNU 4.6.2
-- Check for working C compiler: /usr/bin/gcc
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...
$ make
...
[100%] Built target Acrolibre
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## Source tree vs Build tree

Even the most simple project should never mix-up sources with generated files. CMake supports *out-of-source* build.

# Generating & building

Building with CMake and **ninja** is easy:

Building with ninja

```
$ ls totally-free
acrolibre.c  CMakeLists.txt
$ mkdir build-ninja
$ cd build-ninja
$ cmake -GNinja ../totally-free
-- The C compiler identification is GNU 4.6.2
-- Check for working C compiler: /usr/bin/gcc
-- Check for working C compiler: /usr/bin/gcc -- works
...
$ ninja
...
[6/6] Linking C executable Acrodictlibre
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```

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# Generating & building

Cross-Building with CMake and `make` is easy:

Building with cross-compiler

```
$ ls totally-free
acrolibre.c  CMakeLists.txt
$ mkdir build-win32
$ cd build-win32
$ cmake -DCMAKE_TOOLCHAIN_FILE=../totally-free/Toolchain-cross-linux.cmake ../totally-free
-- The C compiler identification is GNU 6.1.1
-- Check for working C compiler: /usr/bin/i686-w64-mingw32-gcc
...
$ make
...
[100%] Linking C executable Acrolibre.exe
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```

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- 2 You can have several build trees for the same source tree
- 3 This way it's always safe to completely delete the build tree in order to do a clean build

# Building program + autonomous library

We now have the following set of files in our source tree:

- `acrolibre.c`, the main C program
- `acrodect.h`, the Acrodect library header
- `acrodect.c`, the Acrodect library source
- `CMakeLists.txt`, the soon to be updated CMake input file

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## Conditional build

We want to keep a version of our program that can be compiled and run without the new Acrodict library *and* the new version which uses the library.

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## The main program source

```

1 #include <stdlib.h>
2 #include <stdio.h>
3 #include <strings.h>
4 #ifdef USE_ACRODICT
5 #include "acrodict.h"
6 #endif
7 int main(int argc, char* argv[]) {
8
9     const char * name;
10 #ifdef USE_ACRODICT
11     const acroItem_t* item;
12 #endif
13
14     if (argc < 2) {
15         fprintf(stderr, "%s: you need one
16             argument\n", argv[0]);
17         fprintf(stderr, "%s: <name>\n", argv[0]);
18         exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
19     }
20     name = argv[1];
21 #ifndef USE_ACRODICT
22     if (strcasecmp(name, "toulibre") == 0) {
23         printf("Toulibre is a french

```

```

organization promoting FLOSS.\n");
24 }
25 #else
26 item = acrodict_get(name);
27 if (NULL != item) {
28     printf("%s: %s\n", item->name, item->
29         description);
30 } else if (item = acrodict_get_approx(name))
31 {
32     printf("<%s> is unknown maybe you mean
33         : \n", name);
34     printf("%s: %s\n", item->name, item->
35         description);
36 }
37 #endif
38 else {
39     printf("Sorry, I don't know: <%s>\n",
40         name);
41     return EXIT_FAILURE;
42 }
43 return EXIT_SUCCESS;
44 }

```

## The library source

```

1 #ifndef ACRODICT_H
2 #define ACRODICT_H
3 typedef struct acroItem {
4     char* name;
5     char* description;
6 } acroItem_t;
7
8 const acroItem_t*
9 acrodict_get(const char* name);
10 #endif

```

```

1 #include <stdlib.h>
2 #include <string.h>
3 #include "acrodict.h"
4 static const acroItem_t acrodict[] = {
5     {"Toulibre", "Toulibre_␣is_␣a_␣french_␣
        organization_␣promoting_␣FLOSS"},
6     {"GNU", "GNU_␣is_␣Not_␣Unix"},
7     {"GPL", "GNU_␣general_␣Public_␣License"},
8     {"BSD", "Berkeley_␣Software_␣Distribution"},
9     {"CULTe", "Club_␣des_␣Utilisateurs_␣de_␣
        Logiciels_␣libres_␣et_␣de_␣gnu/linux_␣de_␣
        Toulouse_␣et_␣des_␣environs"},
10    {"Lea", "Lea-Linux:_␣Linux_␣entre_␣ami(e)s"},

```

```

11    {"RMLL", "Rencontres_␣Mondiales_␣du_␣Logiciel_␣
        Libre"},
12    {"FLOSS", "Free_␣Libre_␣Open_␣Source_␣Software"
        },
13    {"", ""}};
14 const acroItem_t*
15 acrodict_get(const char* name) {
16     int current = 0;
17     int found = 0;
18     while ((strlen(acrodict[current].name) > 0)
19             && !found) {
19         if (strcasecmp(name, acrodict[current].
20             name) == 0) {
21             found = 1;
22         } else {
23             current++;
24         }
25     }
26     if (found) {
27         return &(acrodict[current]);
28     } else {
29         return NULL;
30     }

```

# A sample Makefile for make

```
1 CC=gcc
2 CFLAGS=-Wall -Werror -pedantic -std=c99
3 LDFLAGS=
4 EXECUTABLES=Acrodictlibre Acrolibre
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6 # default rule (the first one)
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19 %.o : %.c
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21 clean:
22    @\rm -f *.o $(EXECUTABLES)
```

## Building a library

```
1 cmake_minimum_required (VERSION 3.0)
2 project (TotallyFree C)
3 set(CMAKE_C_STANDARD 99)
4 set(CMAKE_C_EXTENSIONS False)
5 add_executable(Acrolibre acrolibre.c)
6 set(LIBSRC acrodict.c acrodict.h)
7 add_library(acrodict ${LIBSRC})
8 add_executable(Acrodictlibre acrolibre.c)
9 target_link_libraries(Acrodictlibre acrodict)
10 set_target_properties(Acrodictlibre PROPERTIES COMPILE_FLAGS "-DUSE_ACRODICT")
```

Listing 2: Building a simple program + shared library

- we precise that we want to compile with C99 flags



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7 add_library(acrodicth ${LIBSRC})
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9 target_link_libraries(Acrodictlibre acrodicth)
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```

Listing 3: Building a simple program + shared library

- we precise that we want to compile with C99 flags
- we define a variable and ask to build a library

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```

Listing 4: Building a simple program + shared library

- we precise that we want to compile with C99 flags
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Listing 5: Building a simple program + shared library

- we precise that we want to compile with C99 flags
- we define a variable and ask to build a library
- we link an executable to our library
- we compile the source files of a particular target with specific compiler options

# Building a library - continued I

## And it builds...

All in all CMake generates appropriate Unix makefiles which build all this smoothly.

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CMake + Unix Makefile

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```
$ make
[ 33%] Building C object CMakeFiles/acrodict.dir/acrodict.c.o
Linking C shared library libacrodict.so
[ 33%] Built target acrodict
[ 66%] Building C object CMakeFiles/Acrodictlibre.dir/acrolibre.c.o
Linking C executable Acrodictlibre
[ 66%] Built target Acrodictlibre
[100%] Building C object CMakeFiles/Acrolibre.dir/acrolibre.c.o
Linking C executable Acrolibre
[100%] Built target Acrolibre
$ ls -F
Acrodictlibre*  CMakeCache.txt  cmake_install.cmake  Makefile
Acrolibre*     CMakeFiles/     libacrodict.so*
```

## Building a library - continued II

### And it works...

We get the two different variants of our program, with varying capabilities.

```
$ ./Acrolibre toulibre
Toulibre is a french organization promoting FLOSS.
$ ./Acrolibre FLOSS
Sorry, I don't know: <FLOSS>
$ ./Acrodictlibre FLOSS
FLOSS: Free Libre Open Source Software

$ make help
The following are some of the valid targets
for this Makefile:
... all (the default if no target is provided)
... clean
... depend
... Acrodictlibre
... Acrolibre
... acrodict
...
```

Generated Makefiles has several builtin targets besides the expected ones:

- one per target (library or executable)
- clean, all
- more to come ...

## Building a library - continued III

And it is homogeneously done whatever the generator...

The obtained build system contains the same set of targets whatever the combination of generator and [cross-]compiler used: Makefile+gcc, Ninja+clang, XCode, Visual Studio, etc...

# User controlled build option

## User controlled option

Maybe our users don't want the acronym dictionary support. We can use CMake `OPTION` command.

```

1 cmake_minimum_required (VERSION 3.0)
2 # This project use C source code
3 project (TotallyFree C)
4 # Build option with default value to ON
5 option(WITH_ACRODICT "Include acronym dictionary support" ON)
6 set(BUILD_SHARED_LIBS true)
7 # build executable using specified list of source files
8 add_executable(Acrolibre acrolibre.c)
9 if (WITH_ACRODICT)
10     set(LIBSRC acrodict.h acrodict.c)
11     add_library(acrodict ${LIBSRC})
12     add_executable(Acrodictlibre acrolibre.c)
13     target_link_libraries(Acrodictlibre acrodict)
14     set_target_properties(Acrodictlibre PROPERTIES COMPILE_FLAGS "-DUSE_ACRODICT")
15 endif(WITH_ACRODICT)

```

Listing 6: User controlled build option

# Too much keyboard, time to click? I

## CMake comes with several tools

A matter of choice / taste:

- a command line: `cmake`
- a curses-based TUI: `ccmake`
- a Qt-based GUI: `cmake-gui`

## Calling convention

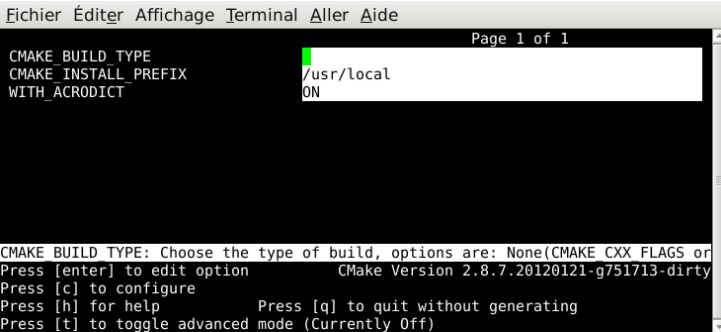
All tools expect to be called with a single argument which may be interpreted in 2 different ways.

- path to the source tree, e.g.: `cmake /path/to/source`
- path to an **existing** build tree, e.g.: `cmake-gui .`



# Too much keyboard, time to click? II

## ccmake : the curses-based TUI (demo)

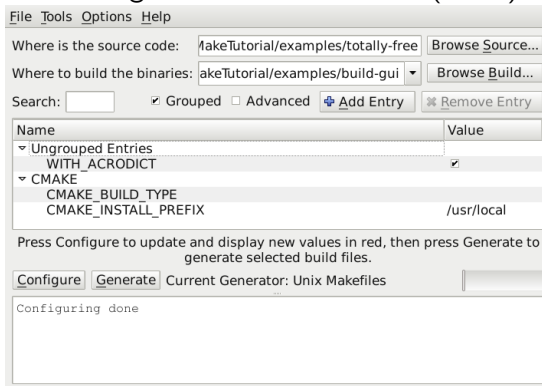


The screenshot shows the ccmake TUI interface. At the top is a menu bar with options: Fichier, Éditer, Affichage, Terminal, Aller, Aide. Below the menu bar, the text 'Page 1 of 1' is displayed. The main area shows configuration options: CMAKE\_BUILD\_TYPE, CMAKE\_INSTALL\_PREFIX, and WITH\_ACRODICT. A text box next to CMAKE\_INSTALL\_PREFIX contains the value '/usr/local'. Below the options, a message states: 'CMAKE BUILD TYPE: Choose the type of build, options are: None(CMAKE CXX FLAGS or Press [enter] to edit option CMake Version 2.8.7.20120121-g751713-dirty Press [c] to configure Press [h] for help Press [q] to quit without generating Press [t] to toggle advanced mode (Currently Off)'. The interface is a curses-based TUI with a black background and white text.

Here we can choose to toggle the `WITH_ACRODICT` OPTION.

# Too much keyboard, time to click? III

## cmake-gui : the Qt-based GUI (demo)



Again, we can choose to toggle the `WITH_ACRODICT` OPTION.

# Remember CMake is a build generator?

The number of active generators depends on the platform we are running on Unix, **Apple**, **Windows**:

Borland Makefiles	16	Visual Studio 8 2005 Win64
MSYS Makefiles	17	Visual Studio 9 2008
MinGW Makefiles	18	Visual Studio 9 2008 IA64
NMake Makefiles	19	Visual Studio 9 2008 Win64
NMake Makefiles JOM	20	Watcom WMake
Unix Makefiles	21	CodeBlocks - MinGW Makefiles
Visual Studio 10	22	CodeBlocks - NMake Makefiles
Visual Studio 10 IA64	23	CodeBlocks - Unix Makefiles
Visual Studio 10 Win64	24	Eclipse CDT4 - MinGW Makefiles
Visual Studio 11	25	Eclipse CDT4 - NMake Makefiles
Visual Studio 11 Win64	26	Eclipse CDT4 - Unix Makefiles
Visual Studio 6	27	KDevelop3
Visual Studio 7	28	KDevelop3 - Unix Makefiles
Visual Studio 7 .NET 2003	29	XCode
Visual Studio 8 2005	30	Ninja

## Equally simple on other platforms

It is as easy for a Windows build, however names for executables and libraries are computed in a **platform specific way**.

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CMake + MinGW Makefile

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```
$ ls totally-free
acrodict.h acrodict.c acrolibre.c CMakeLists.txt
$ mkdir build-win32
$ cd build-win32
$ cmake -DCMAKE_TOOLCHAIN_FILE=../totally-free/Toolchain-cross-linux.cmake ../totally-free
...
$ make
Scanning dependencies of target acrodict
[ 33%] Building C object CMakeFiles/acrodict.dir/acrodict.c.obj
Linking C shared library libacrodict.dll
Creating library file: libacrodict.dll.a
[ 33%] Built target acrodict
Scanning dependencies of target Acrodictlibre
[ 66%] Building C object CMakeFiles/Acrodictlibre.dir/acrolibre.c.obj
Linking C executable Acrodictlibre.exe
[ 66%] Built target Acrodictlibre
Scanning dependencies of target Acrolibre
[100%] Building C object CMakeFiles/Acrolibre.dir/acrolibre.c.obj
Linking C executable Acrolibre.exe
[100%] Built target Acrolibre
```

# Installing things

## Install

Several parts of the software may need to be installed: this is controlled by the CMake `install` command.

Remember `cmake --help-command install!!`

```
1 ...
2 add_executable(Acrolibre acrolibre.c)
3 install(TARGETS Acrolibre DESTINATION bin)
4 if (WITH_ACRODICT)
5     ...
6     install(TARGETS Acrodictlibre acrodict
7             RUNTIME DESTINATION bin
8             LIBRARY DESTINATION lib
9             ARCHIVE DESTINATION lib/static)
10    install(FILES acrodict.h DESTINATION include)
11 endif(WITH_ACRODICT)
```

Listing 7: install command examples

# Controlling installation destination

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```
$ cmake --help-variable CMAKE_INSTALL_PREFIX
```

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```
$ cmake --help-variable CMAKE_INSTALL_PREFIX
```

- At Install-time use `DESTDIR` mechanism (Unix Makefiles)

```
$ make DESTDIR=/tmp/testinstall install
```



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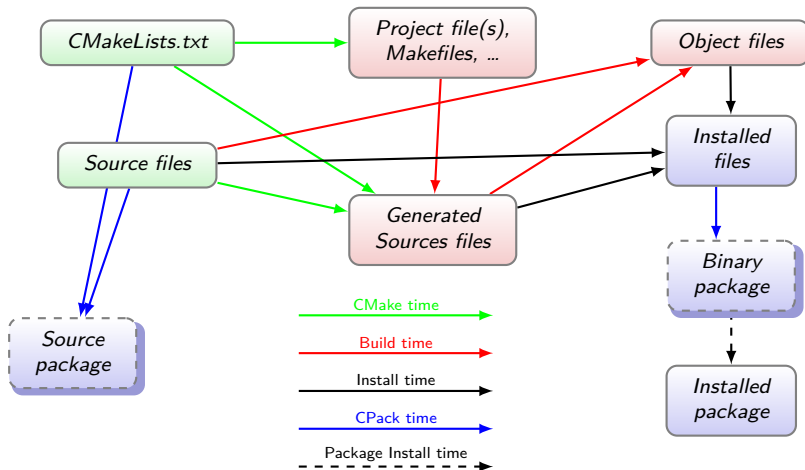
```
$ cmake --help-variable CMAKE_INSTALL_PREFIX
```

- At Install-time use `DESTDIR` mechanism (Unix Makefiles)

```
$ make DESTDIR=/tmp/testinstall install
```

- At **CPack-time**, CPack what? ...be patient.
- At Package-install-time, we will see that later

# The CMake workflow (pictured)



# Using CMake variables

## CMake variables

They are used by the user to simplify its CMakeLists.txt, but CMake uses many (~400+) of them to control/change its [default] behavior. Try: `cmake --help-variable-list`.

## Inside a CMake script

```
set(CMAKE_INSTALL_PREFIX /home/eric/testinstall)
```

```
$ cmake --help-command set
```

## On the command line/TUI/GUI

Remember that (besides options) each CMake tool takes a single argument (source tree or **existing** build tree)

```
$ cmake -DCMAKE_INSTALL_PREFIX=/home/eric/testinstall .
```

# The install target

## Install target

The `install` target of the underlying build tool (in our case `make`) appears in the generated build system as soon as some `install` commands are used in the `CMakeLists.txt`.

```
$ make DESTDIR=/tmp/testinstall install
[ 33%] Built target acrodict
[ 66%] Built target Acrodictlibre
[100%] Built target Acrolibre
Install the project...
-- Install configuration: ""
-- Installing: /tmp/testinstall/bin/Acrolibre
-- Installing: /tmp/testinstall/bin/Acrodictlibre
-- Removed runtime path from "/tmp/testinstall/bin/Acrodictlibre"
-- Installing: /tmp/testinstall/lib/libacrodict.so
-- Installing: /tmp/testinstall/include/acrodict.h
$
```

# Package the whole thing

## CPack

CPack is a CMake friend application (detailed later) which may be used to easily package your software.

```

1 ...
2 endif(WITH_ACRODICT)
3 ...
4 # Near the end of the CMakeLists.txt
5 # Chose your CPack generator
6 set(CPACK_GENERATOR "TGZ")
7 # Setup package version
8 set(CPACK_PACKAGE_VERSION_MAJOR 0)
9 set(CPACK_PACKAGE_VERSION_MINOR 1)
10 set(CPACK_PACKAGE_VERSION_PATCH 0)
11 # 'call' CPack
12 include(CPack)

```

```

$ make package
[ 33%] Built target acrodict
[ 66%] Built target Acrodictlibre
[100%] Built target Acrodictlibre
Run CPack packaging tool...
CPack: Create package using TGZ
CPack: Install projects
CPack: - Run preinstall target for: TotallyFree
CPack: - Install project: TotallyFree
CPack: Create package
CPack: - package: <build-tree>/...
        TotallyFree-0.1.0-Linux.tar.gz generated.
$ tar ztvf TotallyFree-0.1.0-Linux.tar.gz
... TotallyFree-0.1.0-Linux/include/acrodict.h
... TotallyFree-0.1.0-Linux/bin/Acrodictlibre
... TotallyFree-0.1.0-Linux/bin/Acrodictlibre
... TotallyFree-0.1.0-Linux/lib/libacrodict.so

```

Listing 8: add CPack support

# CPack the packaging friend

## CPack is a standalone generator

As we will see later on, CPack is standalone application, which like CMake is a *generator*.

```
$ cpack -G ZIP
```

```
CPack: Create package using ZIP
```

```
CPack: Install projects
```

```
CPack: - Run preinstall target for: TotallyFree
```

```
CPack: - Install project: TotallyFree
```

```
CPack: Create package
```

```
CPack: - package: <build-tree>/...
```

```
TotallyFree-0.1.0-Linux.zip generated.
```

```
$ unzip -t TotallyFree-0.1.0-Linux.zip
```

```
Archive: TotallyFree-0.1.0-Linux.zip
```

```
testing: To.../include/acrodict.h OK
```

```
testing: To.../bin/Acrolibre OK
```

```
testing: To.../bin/Acrodictlibre OK
```

```
testing: To.../lib/libacrodict.so OK
```

```
No errors detected in compressed
```

```
data of TotallyFree-0.1.0-Linux.zip.
```

```
$ cpack -G RPM
```

```
CPack: Create package using RPM
```

```
CPack: Install projects
```

```
CPack: - Run preinstall target for: TotallyFree
```

```
CPack: - Install project: TotallyFree
```

```
CPack: Create package
```

```
CPackRPM: Will use GENERATED spec file: <build-tree>/...  
_CPack_Packages/Linux/RPM/SPECS/totallyfree.spec
```

```
CPack: - package: <build-tree>/...
```

```
TotallyFree-0.1.0-Linux.rpm generated.
```

```
$ rpm -qpl TotallyFree-0.1.0-Linux.rpm
```

```
/usr
```

```
/usr/bin
```

```
/usr/bin/Acrodictlibre
```

```
/usr/bin/Acrolibre
```

```
/usr/include
```

```
/usr/include/acrodict.h
```

```
/usr/lib
```

```
/usr/lib/libacrodict.so
```

# Didn't you mentioned testing? I

## CTest

CTest is a CMake friend application (detailed later) which may be used to easily test your software (if not cross-compiled though).

```

1 ...
2 endif(WITH_ACRODICT)
3 ...
4 enable_testing()
5 add_test(toulibre-builtin
6         Acrolibre "toulibre")
7 add_test(toulibre-dict
8         Acrodictlibre "toulibre")
9 add_test(FLOSS-dict
10         Acrodictlibre "FLOSS")
11 add_test(FLOSS-fail
12         Acrolibre "FLOSS")

```

Listing 9: add CTest support

```

$ make test
Running tests...
Test project <buildtree-prefix>/build
  Start 1: toulibre-builtin
1/4 Test #1: toulibre-builtin .... Passed 0.00 sec
  Start 2: toulibre-dict
2/4 Test #2: toulibre-dict..... Passed 0.00 sec
  Start 3: FLOSS-dict
3/4 Test #3: FLOSS-dict ..... Passed 0.00 sec
  Start 4: FLOSS-fail
4/4 Test #4: FLOSS-fail .....***Failed 0.00 sec
75% tests passed, 1 tests failed out of 4
Total Test time (real) = 0.01 sec
The following tests FAILED:
 4 - FLOSS-fail (Failed)

```

# Didn't you mentioned testing? II

## Tailor success rule

CTest uses the return code in order to get success/failure status, but one can tailor the success/fail rule.



# Didn't you mentioned testing? III

```

1 ...
2 endif(WITH_ACRODICT)
3 ...
4 enable_testing()
5 add_test(toulibre-builtin
6         Acrolibre "toulibre")
7 add_test(toulibre-dict
8         Acrodictlibre "toulibre")
9 add_test(FLOSS-dict
10         Acrodictlibre "FLOSS")
11 add_test(FLOSS-fail
12         Acrolibre "FLOSS")
13 set_tests_properties (FLOSS-fail
14     PROPERTIES
15     PASS_REGULAR_EXPRESSION
16     "Sorry, I don't know:.*FLOSS")

```

```
$ make test
```

```
Running tests...
```

```
Test project <buildtree-prefix>/build
```

```
Start 1: toulibre-builtin
```

```
1/4 Test #1: toulibre-builtin .... Passed 0.00 sec
```

```
Start 2: toulibre-dict
```

```
2/4 Test #2: toulibre-dict..... Passed 0.00 sec
```

```
Start 3: FLOSS-dict
```

```
3/4 Test #3: FLOSS-dict ..... Passed 0.00 sec
```

```
Start 4: FLOSS-fail
```

```
4/4 Test #4: FLOSS-fail ..... Passed 0.00 sec
```

```
100% tests passed, 0 tests failed out of 4
```

```
Total Test time (real) = 0.01 sec
```

Listing 10: add CTest support

# CTest the testing friend

## CTest is a standalone generic test driver

CTest is standalone application, which can run a set of *test* programs.

```
$ ctest -R toulibre-
Test project <build-tree>/build
  Start 1: toulibre-builtin
1/2 Test #1: toulibre-builtin .. Passed 0.00 sec
  Start 2: toulibre-dict
2/2 Test #2: toulibre-dict ..... Passed 0.00 sec

100% tests passed, 0 tests failed out of 2

Total Test time (real) =   0.01 sec
```

```
$ ctest -R FLOSS-fail -V
Test project <build-tree>
Constructing a list of tests
Done constructing a list of tests
Checking test dependency graph...
Checking test dependency graph end
test 4
  Start 4: FLOSS-fail
4: Test command: <build-tree>/Acrolibre "FLOSS"
4: Test timeout computed to be: 9.99988e+06
4: Sorry, I don't know: <FLOSS>
1/1 Test #4: FLOSS-fail .....***Failed 0.00 sec

0% tests passed, 1 tests failed out of 1
Total Test time (real) =   0.00 sec

The following tests FAILED:
^^I 4 - FLOSS-fail (Failed)
Errors while running CTest
```

# CDash the test results publishing

## Dashboard

CTest may help publishing the results of the tests on a CDash dashboard (<http://www.cdash.org/>) for easing collective regression testing. More on this later...

<http://www.orfeo-toolbox.org/>—<http://dash.orfeo-toolbox.org/>



# Summary

## CMake basics

Using CMake basics we can already do a lot of things with minimal writing.

- Write simple build specification file: `CMakeLists.txt`
- Discover compilers (C, C++, Fortran)
- Build executable and library (shared or static) in a cross-platform manner
- Package the resulting binaries with CPack
- Run systematic tests with CTest and publish them with CDash

# Seeking more information or help

There are several places you can go by yourself:

- 1 (re-)Read the documentation: <https://cmake.org/documentation>
- 2 Read the FAQ: [https://cmake.org/Wiki/CMake\\_FAQ](https://cmake.org/Wiki/CMake_FAQ)
- 3 Read the Wiki: <https://cmake.org/Wiki/CMake>
- 4 Ask on the Mailing List: <https://cmake.org/mailing-lists>
- 5 Browse the built-in help:  
`man cmake-xxxx`  
`cmake --help-xxxxx`  
`assistant -collectionFile examples/CMake.qhc`

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# How to discover system

## System/compiler specific variables

Right after the `project` command CMake has set up variables which can be used to tailor the build in a platform specific way.

### ■ system specific

- `WIN32` True on Windows systems, including Win64.
- `UNIX` True for UNIX and UNIX like operating systems.
- `APPLE` True if running on Mac OS X.
- `CYGWIN` True for Cygwin.
- Have a look at `cmake --system-information` output

### ■ compiler specific

- `CMAKE_<LANG>_COMPILER_ID` A short string unique to the compiler vendor : Clang, GNU, MSVC, Cray, Absoft TI, XL...



## Handle system specific code

Some functions like `strcasestr` (lines 6 and 7) may not be available on all platforms.

```
1 const acroItem_t* acrodict_get_approx(const char* name) {
2     int current =0;
3     int found    =0;
4     #ifdef GUESS_NAME
5         while ((strlen(acrodict[current].name)>0) && !found) {
6             if ((strcasestr(name,acrodict[current].name)!=0) ||
7                 (strcasestr(acrodict[current].name,name)!=0)) {
8                 found=1;
9             } else {
10                 current++;
11             }
12         }
13         if (found) {
14             return &(acrodict[current]);
15         } else
16     #endif
17     {
18         return NULL;
19     }
20 }
```

Listing 11: excerpt from acrodict.c

option

```

1 # Build option with default value to ON
2 option(WITH_ACRODICT "Include␣acronym␣dictionary␣support" ON)
3 if(NOT WIN32)
4     option(WITH_GUESS_NAME "Guess␣acronym␣name" ON)
5 endif(NOT WIN32)
6 ...
7 if (WITH_ACRODICT)
8     # list of sources in our library
9     set(LIBSRC acrodict.h acrodict.c)
10    if (WITH_GUESS_NAME)
11        set_source_files_properties(acrodict.c PROPERTIES COMPILE_FLAGS "-DGUESS_NAME")
12    endif(WITH_GUESS_NAME)
13    add_library(acrodict ${LIBSRC})
14 ...

```

Line 4 defines a CMake option, but not on WIN32 system. Then on line 11, if the option is set then we pass a source specific compile flags.

```
cmake --help-command set_source_files_properties
```

# System specific in real life

## Real [numeric] life project

Real projects (i.e. not the toy of this tutorial) have many parts of their `CMakeLists.txt` which deal with system/compiler specific option/feature.

- **MuseScore**
- **CERTI**, <http://git.savannah.gnu.org/cgit/certi.git/tree>
- **SchedMCore**, <https://svn.onera.fr/schedmcore/trunk/>
- **CMake** (of course)
- **LLVM**, <http://llvm.org/docs/CMake.html>
- many more ...

# What about projectConfig.h file? I

## Project config files

Sometimes it's easier to test for features and then write a configuration file (`config.h`, `project_config.h`, ...). The CMake way to do that is to:

- 1 lookup system information using CMake variable, functions, macros (built-in or imported) then set various variables,
- 2 use the defined variable in order to write a template configuration header file
- 3 then use `configure_file` in order to produce the actual config file from the template.

## What about projectConfig.h file? II

```

1 # Load Checker macros
2 INCLUDE(CheckFunctionExists)
3
4 FIND_FILE(HAVE_STDINT_H NAMES stdint.h)
5 FIND_FILE(HAVE_SYS_SELECT_H NAMES select.h
6   PATH_SUFFIXES sys)
7 INCLUDE(CheckIncludeFile)
8 CHECK_INCLUDE_FILE(time.h HAVE_TIME_H)
9 FIND_LIBRARY(RT_LIBRARY rt)
10 if(RT_LIBRARY)
11   SET(CMAKE_REQUIRED_LIBRARIES ${CMAKE_REQUIRED_LIBRARIES} ${RT_LIBRARY})
12 endif(RT_LIBRARY)
13
14 CHECK_FUNCTION_EXISTS(clock_gettime HAVE_CLOCK_GETTIME)
15 CHECK_FUNCTION_EXISTS(clock_settime HAVE_CLOCK_SETTIME)
16 CHECK_FUNCTION_EXISTS(clock_getres HAVE_CLOCK_GETRES)
17 CHECK_FUNCTION_EXISTS(clock_nanosleep HAVE_CLOCK_NANOSLEEP)
18 IF (HAVE_CLOCK_GETTIME AND HAVE_CLOCK_SETTIME AND HAVE_CLOCK_GETRES)
19   SET(HAVE_POSIX_CLOCK 1)
20 ENDIF (HAVE_CLOCK_GETTIME AND HAVE_CLOCK_SETTIME AND HAVE_CLOCK_GETRES)
21 ...
22 CONFIGURE_FILE(${CMAKE_CURRENT_SOURCE_DIR}/config.h.cmake
23   ${CMAKE_CURRENT_BINARY_DIR}/config.h)

```

Listing 12: Excerpt from CERTI project's main CMakeLists.txt

## What about projectConfig.h file? III

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Excerpt from CERTI config.h.cmake

```
/* define if the compiler has numeric_limits<T> */
#cmakedefine HAVE_NUMERIC_LIMITS

/* Define to 1 if you have the <stdint.h> header file. */
#cmakedefine HAVE_STDINT_H 1

/* Define to 1 if you have the <stdlib.h> header file. */
#cmakedefine HAVE_STDLIB_H 1

/* Define to 1 if you have the <strings.h> header file. */
#cmakedefine HAVE_STRINGS_H 1
...
/* Name of package */
#cmakedefine PACKAGE "@PACKAGE_NAME@"

/* Define to the address where bug reports for this package should be sent. */
#cmakedefine PACKAGE_BUGREPORT "@PACKAGE_BUGREPORT@"

/* Define to the full name of this package. */
#cmakedefine PACKAGE_NAME "@PACKAGE_NAME@"

/* Define to the full name and version of this package. */
#cmakedefine PACKAGE_STRING "@PACKAGE_NAME@-@PACKAGE_VERSION@"
```

And you get something like:

## What about projectConfig.h file? IV

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Excerpt from generated CERTI config.h

```
/* define if the compiler has numeric_limits<T> */
#define HAVE_NUMERIC_LIMITS

/* Define to 1 if you have the <stdint.h> header file. */
#define HAVE_STDINT_H 1

/* Define to 1 if you have the <stdlib.h> header file. */
#define HAVE_STDLIB_H 1

/* Define to 1 if you have the <strings.h> header file. */
#define HAVE_STRINGS_H 1
...
/* Name of package */
/* #undef PACKAGE */

/* Define to the address where bug reports for this package should be sent. */
#define PACKAGE_BUGREPORT "certi-devel@nongnu.org"

/* Define to the full name of this package. */
#define PACKAGE_NAME "CERTI"

/* Define to the full name and version of this package. */
/* #undef PACKAGE_STRING */
```

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# The `find_package` command I

## Finding external package

Project may be using external libraries, programs, files etc... Those can be found using the `find_package` command.

```

1 find_package(LibXml2)
2 if (LIBXML2_FOUND)
3     add_definitions(-DHAVE_XML ${LIBXML2_DEFINITIONS})
4     include_directories(${LIBXML2_INCLUDE_DIR})
5 else (LIBXML2_FOUND)
6     set(LIBXML2_LIBRARIES "")
7 endif (LIBXML2_FOUND)
8 ...
9 target_link_libraries(MyTarget ${LIBXML2_LIBRARIES})

```

Listing 13: using libxml2

- Find modules usually define standard variables (for module XXX)

# The `find_package` command II

- 1 `XXX_FOUND`: Set to false, or undefined, if we haven't found, or don't want to use XXX.
  - 2 `XXX_INCLUDE_DIRS`: The final set of include directories listed in one variable for use by client code.
  - 3 `XXX_LIBRARIES`: The libraries to link against to use XXX. These should include full paths.
  - 4 `XXX_DEFINITIONS`: Definitions to use when compiling code that uses XXX.
  - 5 `XXX_EXECUTABLE`: File location of the XXX tool's binary.
  - 6 `XXX_LIBRARY_DIRS`: Optionally, the final set of library directories listed in one variable for use by client code.
- See `doc cmake --help-module FindLibXml2`
  - Many modules are provided by CMake (230 as of CMake 3.6.2)

# The `find_package` command III

- Projects which are built with CMake usually provide a *Project Config* file see doc: <https://cmake.org/cmake/help/git-master/manual/cmake-packages.7.html>
- You may write your own:  
[https://cmake.org/Wiki/CMake:Module\\_Maintainers](https://cmake.org/Wiki/CMake:Module_Maintainers)
- A module may provide not only CMake variables but new CMake macros (we will see that later with the `MACRO`, `FUNCTION` CMake language commands)

# The other `find_xxxx` commands

## The `find_xxx` command family

`find_package` is a *high level* module finding mechanism but there are lower-level CMake commands which may be used to write find modules or anything else inside `CMakeLists.txt`

- to find an executable program: `find_program`
- to find a library: `find_library`
- to find any kind of file: `find_file`
- to find a path where a file resides: `find_path`

## FindPrelude.cmake example I

The FindPrelude.cmake is part of the *Prelude* synchronous language compiler made by ONERA:

<https://forge.onera.fr/projects/Prelude>. This a source-to-source compiler which takes as input prelude file (.plu1) and generates a bunch of C files which may be compiled in a dynamic library. The FindPrelude.cmake helps to automatize this task.

```
1 # - Find Prelude compiler
2 # Find the Prelude synchronous language compiler with associated includes path.
3 # See http://www.lifl.fr/~forget/prelude.html
4 # and https://forge.onera.fr/projects/prelude
5 # This module defines
6 #   PRELUDE_COMPILER, the prelude compiler
7 #   PRELUDE_COMPILER_VERSION, the version of the prelude compiler
8 #   PRELUDE_INCLUDE_DIR, where to find dword.h, etc.
9 #   PRELUDE_FOUND, If false, Prelude was not found.
10 # On can set PRELUDE_PATH_HINT before using find_package(Prelude) and the
11 # module with use the PATH as a hint to find preludec.
12 #
13 # The hint can be given on the command line too:
14 #   cmake -DPRELUDE_PATH_HINT=/DATA/ERIC/Prelude/prelude-x.y /path/to/source
15 #
```

## FindPrelude.cmake example II

```

16 # The module defines some functions:
17 #   Prelude_Compile(NODE <Prelude Main Node>
18 #                   PLU_FILES <Prelude files>
19 #                   [USER_C_FILES <C files>]
20 #                   [NOENCODING]
21 #                   [REAL_IS_DOUBLE]
22 #                   [BOOL_IS_STDBOOL]
23 #                   [TRACING fmt])
24 #
25
26 if(PRELUDE_PATH_HINT)
27     message(STATUS "FindPrelude: using PATH_HINT: ${PRELUDE_PATH_HINT}")
28 else()
29     set(PRELUDE_PATH_HINT)
30 endif()
31
32 #One can add his/her own builtin PATH.
33 #FILE(TO_CMAKE_PATH "/DATA/ERIC/Prelude/prelude-x.y" MYPATH)
34 #list(APPEND PRELUDE_PATH_HINT ${MYPATH})
35
36 # FIND_PROGRAM twice using NO_DEFAULT_PATH on first shot
37 find_program(PRELUDE_COMPILER
38     NAMES preludec
39     PATHS ${PRELUDE_PATH_HINT}
40     PATH_SUFFIXES bin
41     NO_DEFAULT_PATH
42     DOC "Path to the Prelude compiler command 'preludec'")

```

# FindPrelude.cmake example III

```

43
44 find_program(PRELUDE_COMPILER
45     NAMES preludec
46     PATHS ${PRELUDE_PATH_HINT}
47     PATH_SUFFIXES bin
48     DOC "Path to the Prelude compiler command 'preludec'")
49
50 if(PRELUDE_COMPILER)
51     # get the path where the prelude compiler was found
52     get_filename_component(PRELUDE_PATH ${PRELUDE_COMPILER} PATH)
53     # remove bin
54     get_filename_component(PRELUDE_PATH ${PRELUDE_PATH} PATH)
55     # add path to PRELUDE_PATH_HINT
56     list(APPEND PRELUDE_PATH_HINT ${PRELUDE_PATH})
57     execute_process(COMMAND ${PRELUDE_COMPILER} -version
58         OUTPUT_VARIABLE PRELUDE_COMPILER_VERSION
59         OUTPUT_STRIP_TRAILING_WHITESPACE)
60     message(STATUS "Prelude compiler version is: ${PRELUDE_COMPILER_VERSION}")
61     execute_process(COMMAND ${PRELUDE_COMPILER} -help
62         OUTPUT_VARIABLE PRELUDE_OPTIONS_LIST
63         OUTPUT_STRIP_TRAILING_WHITESPACE)
64     set(PRELUDE_TRACING_OPTION)
65     string(REGEX MATCH "-tracing output" PRELUDE_TRACING_OPTION "${PRELUDE_OPTIONS_LIST}")
66     if (PRELUDE_TRACING_OPTION)
67         message(STATUS "Prelude compiler support tracing.")
68         set(PRELUDE_SUPPORT_TRACING "YES")
69     else(PRELUDE_TRACING_OPTION)

```

# FindPrelude.cmake example IV

```

70     message(STATUS "Prelude_compiler_DOES_NOT_support_tracing.")
71     set(PRELUDE_SUPPORT_TRACING "NO")
72     endif(PRELUDE_TRACING_OPTION)
73 endif(PRELUDE_COMPILER)
74
75 find_path(PRELUDE_INCLUDE_DIR
76     NAMES dword.h
77     PATHS ${PRELUDE_PATH_HINT}
78     PATH_SUFFIXES lib/prelude
79     DOC "The_Prelude_include_headers")
80
81 # Check if LTTng is to be supported
82 if (NOT LTTNG_FOUND)
83     option(ENABLE_LTTNG_SUPPORT "Enable_LTTng_support" OFF)
84     if(ENABLE_LTTNG_SUPPORT)
85         find_package(LTTng)
86         if (LTTNG_FOUND)
87             message(STATUS "Will_build_LTTng_support_into_library...")
88             include_directories(${LTTNG_INCLUDE_DIR})
89         endif(LTTNG_FOUND)
90     endif(ENABLE_LTTNG_SUPPORT)
91 endif()
92
93 # Macros used to compile a prelude library
94 include(CMakeParseArguments)
95 function(Prelude_Compile)
96     set(options NOENCODING REAL_IS_DOUBLE BOOL_IS_STDBOOL)

```



# FindPrelude.cmake example V

```
97 set(oneValueArgs NODE TRACING)
98 set(multiValueArgs PLU_FILES USER_C_FILES)
99 cmake_parse_arguments(PLU "${options}" "${oneValueArgs}" "${multiValueArgs}" "${ARGN}")
100
101 if(PLU_NOENCODING)
102     set(PRELUDE_ENCODING "-no_encoding")
103     set(PRELUDE_OUTPUT_DIR "${CMAKE_CURRENT_BINARY_DIR}/${PLU_NODE}/noencoding")
104     set(PRELUDE_ENCODING_SUFFIX "-noencoding")
105 else()
106     set(PRELUDE_ENCODING)
107     set(PRELUDE_OUTPUT_DIR "${CMAKE_CURRENT_BINARY_DIR}/${PLU_NODE}/encoded")
108     set(PRELUDE_ENCODING_SUFFIX "-encoded")
109 endif()
110
111 if(PLU_REAL_IS_DOUBLE)
112     set(PRELUDE_REAL_OPT "-real_is_double")
113 else()
114     set(PRELUDE_REAL_OPT "")
115 endif()
116
117 if(PLU_BOOL_IS_STDBOOL)
118     set(PRELUDE_BOOL_OPT "-bool_is_stdbool")
119 else()
120     set(PRELUDE_BOOL_OPT "")
121 endif()
122
123 if (PRELUDE_SUPPORT_TRACING)
```

# FindPrelude.cmake example VI

```

124 if(PLU_TRACING)
125     set(PRELUDE_TRACING_OPT "-tracing")
126     set(PRELUDE_TRACING_OPT_VALUE "${PLU_TRACING}")
127 else()
128     set(PRELUDE_TRACING_OPT "-tracing")
129     set(PRELUDE_TRACING_OPT_VALUE "no")
130 endif()
131 else(PRELUDE_SUPPORT_TRACING)
132     set(PRELUDE_TRACING_OPT "")
133     set(PRELUDE_TRACING_OPT_VALUE "")
134 endif(PRELUDE_SUPPORT_TRACING)
135
136 file(MAKE_DIRECTORY ${PRELUDE_OUTPUT_DIR})
137 set(PRELUDE_GENERATED_FILES
138     ${PRELUDE_OUTPUT_DIR}/${PLU_NODE}.c
139     ${PRELUDE_OUTPUT_DIR}/${PLU_NODE}.h)
140
141 add_custom_command(
142     OUTPUT ${PRELUDE_GENERATED_FILES}
143     COMMAND ${PRELUDE_COMPILER} ${PRELUDE_ENCODING} ${PRELUDE_BOOL_OPT} ${PRELUDE_REAL_OPT} $
144     {PRELUDE_TRACING_OPT} ${PRELUDE_TRACING_OPT_VALUE} -d ${PRELUDE_OUTPUT_DIR} -node ${
145     PLU_NODE} ${PLU_PLU_FILES}
146     DEPENDS ${PLU_PLU_FILES}
147     WORKING_DIRECTORY ${CMAKE_CURRENT_SOURCE_DIR}
148     COMMENT "Compile␣prelude␣source(s):␣${PLU_PLU_FILES}")
149 )
150 set_source_files_properties(${PRELUDE_GENERATED_FILES}

```

## FindPrelude.cmake example VII

```

149             PROPERTIES GENERATED TRUE)
150 include_directories(${PRELUDE_INCLUDE_DIR} ${CMAKE_CURRENT_SOURCE_DIR} ${PRELUDE_OUTPUT_DIR})
151 add_library(${PLU_NODE}${PRELUDE_ENCODING_SUFFIX} SHARED
152             ${PRELUDE_GENERATED_FILES} ${PLU_USER_C_FILES}
153             )
154 if(LTTNG_FOUND)
155     target_link_libraries(${PLU_NODE}${PRELUDE_ENCODING_SUFFIX} ${LTTNG_LIBRARIES})
156 endif()
157 message(STATUS "Prelude: Added rule for building prelude library: ${PLU_NODE}")
158 endfunction(Prelude_Compile)
159
160 # handle the QUIETLY and REQUIRED arguments and set PRELUDE_FOUND to TRUE if
161 # all listed variables are TRUE
162 include(FindPackageHandleStandardArgs)
163 FIND_PACKAGE_HANDLE_STANDARD_ARGS(PRELUDE
164                                   REQUIRED_VARS PRELUDE_COMPILER PRELUDE_INCLUDE_DIR)
165 # VERSION FPHSA options not handled by CMake version < 2.8.2)
166 #                                     VERSION_VAR PRELUDE_COMPILER_VERSION)
167 mark_as_advanced(PRELUDE_INCLUDE_DIR)

```

# Advanced use of external package I

## Installed External package

The previous examples suppose that you have the package you are looking for on your host.

- you did install the runtime libraries
- you did install eventual developer libraries, headers and tools

What if the external packages:

- are only available as source (tarball, VCS repositories, ...)
- use a build system (autotools or CMake or ...)

# Advanced use of external package II

## ExternalProject\_Add

The `ExternalProject.cmake` CMake module defines a high-level macro which does just that:

- 1 download/checkout source
- 2 update/patch
- 3 configure
- 4 build
- 5 install (and test)

...an external project

## Advanced use of external package III

```
$ cmake --help-module ExternalProject
```

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# Command mode

## list of command mode commands

```
$ cmake -E
```

```
CMake Error: cmake version 3.6.2
```

```
Usage: cmake -E <command> [arguments...]
```

```
Available commands:
```

```
chdir dir cmd [args...] - run command in a given directory
compare_files file1 file2 - check if file1 is same as file2
copy <file>... destination - copy files to destination (either file or directory)
copy_directory <dir>... destination - copy content of <dir>... directories to 'destination' directory
copy_if_different <file>... destination - copy files if it has changed
echo [<string>...] - displays arguments as text
echo_append [<string>...] - displays arguments as text but no new line
env [--unset=NAME]... [NAME=VALUE]... COMMAND [ARG]...
                                - run command in a modified environment
environment                    - display the current environment
make_directory <dir>...        - create parent and <dir> directories
md5sum <file>...                - create MD5 checksum of files
remove [-f] <file>...          - remove the file(s), use -f to force it
remove_directory dir           - remove a directory and its contents
rename oldname newname         - rename a file or directory (on one volume)
tar [cxt][vf][zjJ] file.tar [file/dir1 file/dir2 ...]
                                - create or extract a tar or zip archive
sleep <number>...              - sleep for given number of seconds
time command [args...]         - run command and return elapsed time
touch file                      - touch a file.
touch_nocreate file            - touch a file but do not create it.
```

```
Available on UNIX only:
```

```
create_symlink old new - create a symbolic link new -> old
```

# CMake scripting

## Overview of CMake language

CMake is a declarative language which contains 90+ *commands*. It contains general purpose constructs: `set`, `unset`, `if`, `elseif`, `else`, `endif`, `foreach`, `while`, `break` see [cmake-language\(7\)](#)

### Remember:

```
$ cmake --help-command-list
$ cmake --help-command <command-name>
$ cmake --help-command message
cmake version 2.8.7
message
  Display a message to the user.
  message([STATUS|WARNING|AUTHOR_WARNING|FATAL_ERROR|SEND_ERROR]
    "message to display" ...)
The optional keyword determines the type of message:
  (none)           = Important information
  STATUS           = Incidental information
  WARNING          = CMake Warning, continue processing
  AUTHOR_WARNING   = CMake Warning (dev), continue processing
  SEND_ERROR       = CMake Error, continue but skip generation
  FATAL_ERROR      = CMake Error, stop all processing
```

## Higher level commands as well

- file manipulation with `file` : `READ`, `WRITE`, `APPEND`, `RENAME`, `REMOVE`, `MAKE_DIRECTORY`
- advanced files operations: `GLOB`, `GLOB_RECURSE` file name in a path, `DOWNLOAD`, `UPLOAD`
- working with path: `file` (`TO_CMAKE_PATH` / `TO_NATIVE_PATH` ...), `get_filename_component`
- execute an external process (with stdout, stderr and return code retrieval): `execute_process`
- builtin list manipulation command: `list` with sub-commands `LENGTH`, `GET`, `APPEND`, `FIND`, `APPEND`, `INSERT`, `REMOVE_ITEM`, `REMOVE_AT`, `REMOVE_DUPLICATES` `REVERSE`, `SORT`
- string manipulation: `string`, upper/lower case conversion, length, comparison, substring, regular expression match, ...

# Portable script for building CMake I

As an example of what can be done with pure CMake script (script mode) here is a script for building the CMake package using a previously installed CMake.

```
1 # Simple cmake script which may be used to build
2 # cmake from automatically downloaded source
3 #
4 #   cd tmp/
5 #   cmake -P CMake-autobuild-v2.cmake
6 # you should end up with a
7 #   tmp/cmake-x.y.z source tree
8 #   tmp/cmake-x.y.z-build build tree
9 # configure and compiled tree, using the tarball found on Kitware.
10 #
11 # if you access the internet through a proxy then you should
12 # set the "http_proxy" and "https_proxy" environment variable
13 # to appropriate value before running the CMake script.
14 # e.g.:
15 #   export http_proxy=http://myproxy.mydomain.fr:80
16 #   export https_proxy=https://myproxy.mydomain.fr:80
17
18
19 cmake_minimum_required(VERSION 3.0)
20 set(CMAKE_VERSION "3.6.2")
```

# Portable script for building CMake II

```

21 set(CMAKE_FILE_PREFIX "cmake-${CMAKE_VERSION}")
22 string(REGEX MATCH "[0-9]\\.[0-9]" CMAKE_MAJOR "${CMAKE_VERSION}")
23 set(CMAKE_REMOTE_PREFIX "http://www.cmake.org/files/v${CMAKE_MAJOR}/")
24 set(CMAKE_FILE_SUFFIX ".tar.gz")
25 set(CMAKE_BUILD_TYPE "Debug")
26 set(CMAKE_BUILD_QTDIALOG "ON")
27 set(CMAKE_BUILD_GENERATOR "")
28 #try Ninja (https://ninja-build.org) if you have it installed
29 #set(CMAKE_BUILD_GENERATOR "-GNinja")
30 set(CPACK_GEN "TGZ")
31 #try another CPack generator
32 set(CPACK_GEN "RPM")
33
34 set(LOCAL_FILE "./${CMAKE_FILE_PREFIX}${CMAKE_FILE_SUFFIX}")
35 set(REMOTE_FILE "${CMAKE_REMOTE_PREFIX}${CMAKE_FILE_PREFIX}${CMAKE_FILE_SUFFIX}")
36
37 message(STATUS "Trying to autoinstall CMake version ${CMAKE_VERSION} using ${REMOTE_FILE} file
...")
38
39 message(STATUS "Downloading...")
40 if (EXISTS ${LOCAL_FILE})
41     message(STATUS "Already there: nothing to do")
42 else (EXISTS ${LOCAL_FILE})
43     message(STATUS "Not there, trying to download...")
44     file(DOWNLOAD ${REMOTE_FILE} ${LOCAL_FILE}
45         TIMEOUT 600
46         STATUS DL_STATUS

```

# Portable script for building CMake III

```

47     LOG_DL_LOG
48     SHOW_PROGRESS)
49 list(GET DL_STATUS 0 DL_NOK)
50 if ("${DL_LOG}" MATCHES "404_Not_Found")
51     set(DL_NOK 1)
52 endif ("${DL_LOG}" MATCHES "404_Not_Found")
53 if (DL_NOK)
54     # we shall remove the file because it is created
55     # with an inappropriate content
56     file(REMOVE ${LOCAL_FILE})
57     message(SEND_ERROR "Download failed: ${DL_LOG}")
58 else (DL_NOK)
59     message(STATUS "Download successful.")
60 endif (DL_NOK)
61 endif (EXISTS ${LOCAL_FILE})
62
63 message(STATUS "Unarchiving the file")
64 execute_process(COMMAND ${CMAKE_COMMAND} -E tar zxvf ${LOCAL_FILE}
65                 RESULT_VARIABLE UNTAR_RES
66                 OUTPUT_VARIABLE UNTAR_OUT
67                 ERROR_VARIABLE UNTAR_ERR
68                 )
69 message(STATUS "CMake version ${CMAKE_VERSION} has been unarchived in ${
70     CMAKE_CURRENT_SOURCE_DIR}/${CMAKE_FILE_PREFIX}.")
71 message(STATUS "Configuring with CMake (build type=${CMAKE_BUILD_TYPE}, QtDialog=${
72     CMAKE_BUILD_QTDIALOG}, build generator=${CMAKE_BUILD_GENERATOR})...")

```



# Portable script for building CMake IV

```

72 file(MAKE_DIRECTORY ${CMAKE_FILE_PREFIX}-build)
73 execute_process(COMMAND ${CMAKE_COMMAND} ${CMAKE_BUILD_GENERATOR} -DCMAKE_BUILD_TYPE=${CMAKE_BUILD_TYPE}
74                -DBUILD_QtDialog:BOOL=${CMAKE_BUILD_QTDIALOG} ../${CMAKE_FILE_PREFIX}
75                WORKING_DIRECTORY ${CMAKE_FILE_PREFIX}-build
76                RESULT_VARIABLE CONFIG_RES
77                OUTPUT_VARIABLE CONFIG_OUT
78                ERROR_VARIABLE CONFIG_ERR
79                TIMEOUT 200
80                )
81 if (CONFIG_RES)
82     message(ERROR "Configuration failed: ${CONFIG_OUT} / ${CONFIG_ERR}")
83 endif ()
84 message(STATUS "Building with cmake --build...")
85 execute_process(COMMAND ${CMAKE_COMMAND} --build .
86                WORKING_DIRECTORY ${CMAKE_FILE_PREFIX}-build
87                RESULT_VARIABLE CONFIG_RES
88                OUTPUT_VARIABLE CONFIG_OUT
89                ERROR_VARIABLE CONFIG_ERR
90                )
91
92 message(STATUS "Create package ${CPACK_GEN} with CPack...")
93 execute_process(COMMAND ${CMAKE_COMMAND} -G ${CPACK_GEN}
94                WORKING_DIRECTORY ${CMAKE_FILE_PREFIX}-build
95                RESULT_VARIABLE CONFIG_RES
96                OUTPUT_VARIABLE CONFIG_OUT
97                ERROR_VARIABLE CONFIG_ERR

```

# Portable script for building CMake V

```
98     )
99 message(STATUS "CMake version ${CMAKE_VERSION} has been built in ${CMAKE_CURRENT_SOURCE_DIR}/${CMAKE_FILE_PREFIX}.")
100 string(REGEX MATCH "CPack: -package:(.*)generated" PACKAGES "${CONFIG_OUT}")
101 message(STATUS "CMake package(s) are: ${CMAKE_MATCH_1}")
```

# Portable script for building ROSACE Case Study

Another example taken from the “*ROSACE Open Source Case Study*” may be found here see [ROSACE-CaseStudy-auto.cmake](#)

The script:

- Download or checkout [Lustre](#) compiler and build it
- Download or checkout [Prelude](#) compiler and build it
- Download or checkout [SchedMCore](#) toolsuit and build it
- Checkout the [ROSACE Case Study](#) and build it using the previously built tools.

# Build specific commands

- create executable or library: `add_executable`, `add_library`
- add compiler/linker definitions/options: `add_definitions`, `include_directories`, `target_link_libraries`
- powerful installation specification: `install`
- probing command: `try_compile`, `try_run`
- fine control of various properties: `set_target_properties`, `set_source_files_properties`, `set_directory_properties`, `set_tests_properties`, `set_property`: **300+** different properties may be used.

```
$ cmake --help-property-list
```

```
$ cmake --help-property COMPILE_FLAGS
```

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# What are CMake targets?

## CMake target

Many times in the documentation you may read about CMake *target*. A target is something that CMake should build (i.e. generate something enabling the building of the *target*).

A CMake target has **dependencies** and **properties**.

- 1 Executables are targets: `add_executable`
- 2 Libraries are targets: `add_library`
- 3 There exist some builtin targets: `install`, `clean`, `package`, ...
- 4 You may create custom targets: `add_custom_target`

# Target dependencies and properties I

A CMake target has **dependencies** and **properties**.

## Dependencies

Most of the time, source dependencies are computed from target specifications using CMake builtin dependency scanner (C, C++, Fortran) whereas library dependencies are inferred via `target_link_libraries` specification.

If this is not enough then one can use `add_dependencies`, or some properties.

## Properties

Properties may be attached to either *target* or *source file* (or even *test*). They may be used to tailor the prefix or suffix to be used for libraries, compile flags, link flags, linker language, shared libraries version, ...

# Target dependencies and properties II

see : `set target properties` or `set source files properties`

## Sources vs Targets

Properties set to a target like `COMPILE_FLAGS` are used for all sources of the concerned target. Properties set to a source are used for the source file itself (which may be involved in several targets).



# Custom targets and commands

## Custom

Custom targets and custom commands are a way to create a *target* which may be used to execute arbitrary commands at **Build-time**.

- for target : `add_custom_target`
- for command : `add_custom_command`, in order to add some custom build step to another (existing) target.

This is usually for: generating source files (Flex, Bison) or other files derived from source like embedded documentation (Doxygen), ...

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# Generated files

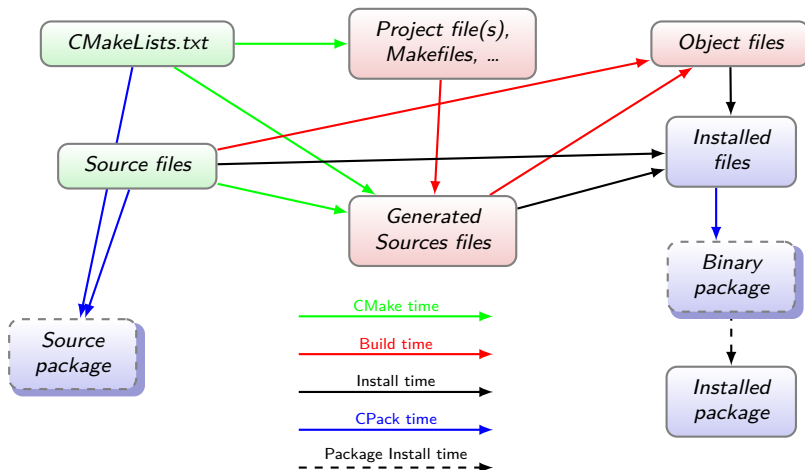
## List all the sources

CMake advocates to specify all the source files explicitly (i.e. do not use `file(GLOB ...)`) This is the only way to keep robust dependencies. Moreover you usually already need to do that when using a VCS (CVS, Subversion, Git, hg,...).

However some files may be generated during the build (using `add_custom_xxx`), in which case you must tell CMake that they are `GENERATED` files using:

```
1 set_source_files_properties(${SOME_GENERATED_FILES}
2                             PROPERTIES GENERATED TRUE)
```

# The CMake workflow (pictured)



# Example 1

```

1 ### Handle Source generation for task file parser
2 include_directories(${CMAKE_CURRENT_SOURCE_DIR})
3 find_package(LexYacc)
4 set(YACC_SRC                ${CMAKE_CURRENT_SOURCE_DIR}/lsmc_taskfile_syntax.yy)
5 set(YACC_OUT_PREFIX         ${CMAKE_CURRENT_BINARY_DIR}/y.tab)
6 set(YACC_WANTED_OUT_PREFIX   ${CMAKE_CURRENT_BINARY_DIR}/lsmc_taskfile_syntax)
7 set(LEX_SRC                  ${CMAKE_CURRENT_SOURCE_DIR}/lsmc_taskfile_tokens.ll)
8 set(LEX_OUT_PREFIX           ${CMAKE_CURRENT_BINARY_DIR}/lsmc_taskfile_tokens.yy)
9 set(LEX_WANTED_OUT_PREFIX    ${CMAKE_CURRENT_BINARY_DIR}/lsmc_taskfile_tokens)
10
11 #Exec Lex
12 add_custom_command(
13     OUTPUT  ${LEX_WANTED_OUT_PREFIX}.c
14     COMMAND ${LEX_PROGRAM} ARGS -l -o${LEX_WANTED_OUT_PREFIX}.c ${LEX_SRC}
15     DEPENDS ${LEX_SRC}
16 )
17 set(GENERATED_SRCS ${GENERATED_SRCS} ${LEX_WANTED_OUT_PREFIX}.c)
18 #Exec Yacc
19 add_custom_command(
20     OUTPUT  ${YACC_WANTED_OUT_PREFIX}.c ${YACC_WANTED_OUT_PREFIX}.h
21     COMMAND ${YACC_PROGRAM} ARGS ${YACC_COMPAT_ARG} -d ${YACC_SRC}
22     COMMAND ${CMAKE_COMMAND} -E copy ${YACC_OUT_PREFIX}.h  ${YACC_WANTED_OUT_PREFIX}.h
23     COMMAND ${CMAKE_COMMAND} -E copy ${YACC_OUT_PREFIX}.c  ${YACC_WANTED_OUT_PREFIX}.c
24     DEPENDS ${YACC_SRC}
25 )
26 set(GENERATED_SRCS ${GENERATED_SRCS})

```

## Example II

```

27     ${YACC_WANTED_OUT_PREFIX}.c ${YACC_WANTED_OUT_PREFIX}.h)
28 # Tell CMake that some file are generated
29 set_source_files_properties(${GENERATED_SRCS} PROPERTIES GENERATED TRUE)
30
31 # Inhibit compiler warning for LEX/YACC generated files
32 # Note that the inhibition is COMPILER dependent ...
33 # GNU CC specific warning stop
34 if (CMAKE_COMPILER_IS_GNUCC)
35     message(STATUS "INHIBIT Compiler warning for LEX/YACC generated files")
36     SET_SOURCE_FILES_PROPERTIES(${YACC_WANTED_OUT_PREFIX}.c ${YACC_WANTED_OUT_PREFIX}.h
37                                PROPERTIES COMPILE_FLAGS "-w")
38
39     SET_SOURCE_FILES_PROPERTIES(${LEX_WANTED_OUT_PREFIX}.c
40                                PROPERTIES COMPILE_FLAGS "-w")
41 endif(CMAKE_COMPILER_IS_GNUCC)
42 ...
43 set(LSCHED_SRC
44     lsmc_dependency.c lsmc_core.c lsmc_utils.c
45     lsmc_time.c lsmc_taskfile_parser.c
46     ${GENERATED_SRCS})
47 add_library(lsmc ${LSCHED_SRC})

```

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# Cross-compiling

## Definition: Cross-compiling

Cross-compiling is when the *host* system, *the one the compiler is running on*, is not the same as the *target* system, *the one the compiled program will be running on*.

CMake can handle cross-compiling using a *Toolchain* description file, see [https://cmake.org/Wiki/CMake\\_Cross\\_Compiling](https://cmake.org/Wiki/CMake_Cross_Compiling).

```
mkdir build-win32
```

```
cd build-win32
```

```
cmake -DCMAKE_TOOLCHAIN_FILE=../totally-free/Toolchain-cross-mingw32-linux.cmake ../totally-free/
```

## Demo

# Linux to Windows Toolchain example

```

1 # the name of the target operating system
2 SET(CMAKE_SYSTEM_NAME Windows)
3
4 # Choose an appropriate compiler prefix
5 # for classical mingw32
6 # see http://www.mingw.org/
7 #set(COMPILER_PREFIX "i586-mingw32msvc")
8 # for 32 or 64 bits mingw-w64
9 # see http://mingw-w64.sourceforge.net/
10 set(COMPILER_PREFIX "i686-w64-mingw32")
11 #set(COMPILER_PREFIX "x86_64-w64-mingw32")
12
13 # which compilers to use for C and C++
14 find_program(CMAKE_RC_COMPILER NAMES ${COMPILER_PREFIX}-windres)
15 #SET(CMAKE_RC_COMPILER ${COMPILER_PREFIX}-windres)
16 find_program(CMAKE_C_COMPILER NAMES ${COMPILER_PREFIX}-gcc)
17 #SET(CMAKE_C_COMPILER ${COMPILER_PREFIX}-gcc)
18 find_program(CMAKE_CXX_COMPILER NAMES ${COMPILER_PREFIX}-g++)
19 #SET(CMAKE_CXX_COMPILER ${COMPILER_PREFIX}-g++)
20
21 # here is the target environment located
22 SET(USER_ROOT_PATH /home/erk/erk-win32-dev)
23 SET(CMAKE_FIND_ROOT_PATH /usr/${COMPILER_PREFIX} ${USER_ROOT_PATH})
24 # adjust the default behaviour of the FIND_XXX() commands:
25 # search headers and libraries in the target environment, search
26 # programs in the host environment
27 set(CMAKE_FIND_ROOT_PATH_MODE_PROGRAM NEVER)
28 set(CMAKE_FIND_ROOT_PATH_MODE_LIBRARY ONLY)
29 set(CMAKE_FIND_ROOT_PATH_MODE_INCLUDE ONLY)

```



## Selecting language standard

Sometimes one needs to select a required programming language standard level like C99 or C++11. The command line option used to select the appropriate standard vary from one compiler to another.

There exist CMake variables controlling this are:

- for C++: `CMAKE_CXX_STANDARD`, `CMAKE_CXX_STANDARD_REQUIRED`
- for C: `CMAKE_C_STANDARD`, `CMAKE_C_STANDARD_REQUIRED`

See a nice tutorial

<https://crascit.com/2015/03/28/enabling-cxx11-in-cmake/> giving more detailed usage example for C++11.

## Enabling/selecting language feature

Sometimes requiring a whole standard support is too constraining since one only requires a specific language feature which may be supported by the compiler long before it supports the whole standard requirements.

Since CMake 3.1 one can inspect and enable language features:

[https://cmake.org/cmake/help/latest/manual/  
cmake-compile-features.7.html](https://cmake.org/cmake/help/latest/manual/cmake-compile-features.7.html)

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# Exporting/Import your project

## Export/Import to/from others

CMake can help a project using CMake as a build system to export/import targets to/from another project using CMake as a build system.

No more time for that today sorry, see:

<https://cmake.org/cmake/help/latest/manual/cmake-packages.7.html#creating-packages>

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# Introduction

## A Package generator

In the same way that CMake *generates* build files, CPack *generates* package files.

- Archive generators  
[ZIP,TGZ,...] (All platforms)
- DEB, RPM (Linux)
- Cygwin Source or Binary  
(Windows/Cygwin)
- NSIS (Windows, Linux)
- DragNDrop, Bundle, OSXX11  
(Mac OS)



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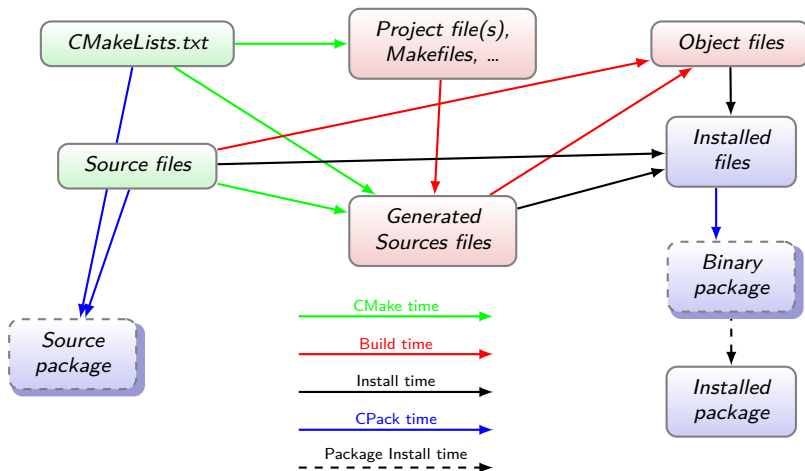
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# The CMake workflow (pictured)



# The CPack application

## CPack standalone

CPack is a standalone application whose behavior is driven by a configuration file e.g. `CPackConfig.cmake`. This file is a CMake language script which defines `CPACK_XXXX` variables: the config parameters of the CPack run.

## CPack with CMake

When CPack is used to package a project built with CMake, then the CPack configuration is usually generated by CMake by including `CPack.cmake` in the main `CMakeLists.txt`:

```
include(CPack)
```

## CPack variables in CMakeLists.txt

When used with CMake, one writes something like this in CMakeLists.txt:

```
1 set(CPACK_GENERATOR "TGZ")
2 if (WIN32)
3   list(APPEND CPACK_GENERATOR "NSIS")
4 elseif (APPLE)
5   list(APPEND CPACK_GENERATOR "Bundle")
6 endif(WIN32)
7 set(CPACK_SOURCE_GENERATOR "ZIP;TGZ")
8 set(CPACK_PACKAGE_VERSION_MAJOR 0)
9 set(CPACK_PACKAGE_VERSION_MINOR 1)
10 set(CPACK_PACKAGE_VERSION_PATCH 0)
11 include(CPack)
```

This will create CPackSourceConfig.cmake and CPackConfig.cmake in the build tree and will bring you the *package* and *package\_source* built-in targets.

# A CPack config file I

A CPack config file looks like this one:

```
1 # This file will be configured to contain variables for CPack.
2 # These variables should be set in the CMake list file of the
3 # project before CPack module is included.
4 ...
5 SET(CPACK_BINARY_BUNDLE "")
6 SET(CPACK_BINARY_CYGWIN "")
7 SET(CPACK_BINARY_DEB "")
8 ...
9 SET(CPACK_BINARY_ZIP "")
10 SET(CPACK_CMAKE_GENERATOR "Unix_Makefiles")
11 SET(CPACK_GENERATOR "TGZ")
12 SET(CPACK_INSTALL_CMAKE_PROJECTS "/home/erk/erkit/CMakeTutorial/examples/build;TotallyFree;ALL
    ;/")
13 SET(CPACK_INSTALL_PREFIX "/usr/local")
14 SET(CPACK_MODULE_PATH "")
15 SET(CPACK_NSIS_DISPLAY_NAME "TotallyFree_0.1.0")
16 SET(CPACK_NSIS_INSTALLER_ICON_CODE "")
17 SET(CPACK_NSIS_INSTALL_ROOT "$PROGRAMFILES")
18 SET(CPACK_NSIS_PACKAGE_NAME "TotallyFree_0.1.0")
19 SET(CPACK_OUTPUT_CONFIG_FILE "/home/erk/erkit/CMakeTutorial/examples/build/CPackConfig.cmake")
20 SET(CPACK_PACKAGE_DEFAULT_LOCATION "/")
21 SET(CPACK_PACKAGE_DESCRIPTION_FILE "/home/erk/CMake/cmake-Verk-HEAD/share/cmake-2.8/Templates/
    CPack.GenericDescription.txt")
22 SET(CPACK_PACKAGE_DESCRIPTION_SUMMARY "TotallyFree_built_using_CMake")
```

# A CPack config file II

```
23 SET(CPACK_PACKAGE_FILE_NAME "TotallyFree-0.1.0-Linux")
24 SET(CPACK_PACKAGE_INSTALL_DIRECTORY "TotallyFree_0.1.0")
25 SET(CPACK_PACKAGE_INSTALL_REGISTRY_KEY "TotallyFree_0.1.0")
26 SET(CPACK_PACKAGE_NAME "TotallyFree")
27 SET(CPACK_PACKAGE_RELOCATABLE "true")
28 SET(CPACK_PACKAGE_VENDOR "Humanity")
29 SET(CPACK_PACKAGE_VERSION "0.1.0")
30 SET(CPACK_RESOURCE_FILE_LICENSE "/home/erk/CMake/cmake-Verk-HEAD/share/cmake-2.8/Templates/
    CPack.GenericLicense.txt")
31 SET(CPACK_RESOURCE_FILE_README "/home/erk/CMake/cmake-Verk-HEAD/share/cmake-2.8/Templates/CPack
    .GenericDescription.txt")
32 SET(CPACK_RESOURCE_FILE_WELCOME "/home/erk/CMake/cmake-Verk-HEAD/share/cmake-2.8/Templates/
    CPack.GenericWelcome.txt")
33 SET(CPACK_SET_DESTDIR "OFF")
34 SET(CPACK_SOURCE_CYGWIN "")
35 SET(CPACK_SOURCE_GENERATOR "TGZ;TBZ2;TZ")
36 SET(CPACK_SOURCE_OUTPUT_CONFIG_FILE "/home/erk/erkit/CMakeTutorial/examples/build/
    CPackSourceConfig.cmake")
37 SET(CPACK_SOURCE_TBZ2 "ON")
38 SET(CPACK_SOURCE_TGZ "ON")
39 SET(CPACK_SOURCE_TZ "ON")
40 SET(CPACK_SOURCE_ZIP "OFF")
41 SET(CPACK_SYSTEM_NAME "Linux")
42 SET(CPACK_TOPLEVEL_TAG "Linux")
```

# CPack running steps I

For a CMake enabled project one can run CPack in two ways:

- 1 use the build tool to run targets: `package` or `package_source`
- 2 invoke CPack manually from within the *build tree* e.g.:

```
$ cpack -G RPM
```

The CPack documentation is currently found on the Wiki or on the CPack specific modules:

- <https://cmake.org/Wiki/CMake:CPackPackageGenerators>
- [https://cmake.org/Wiki/CMake:Component\\_Install\\_With\\_CPack](https://cmake.org/Wiki/CMake:Component_Install_With_CPack)
- `cpack --help-module CPackXXX` with CPack, CPackComponent, CPackRPM, CPackDEB, CPackIFW, CPackWIX, ...

Whichever way you call it, the CPack steps are:



## CPack running steps II

- 1 cpack command starts and parses arguments etc...
- 2 it reads CPackConfig.cmake (usually found in the build tree) or the file given as an argument to `--config` command line option.
- 3 it iterates over the generators list found in `CPACK_GENERATOR` (or from `-G` command line option). For each generator:
  - 1 (re)sets `CPACK_GENERATOR` to the one currently being iterated over
  - 2 includes the `CPACK_PROJECT_CONFIG_FILE`
  - 3 installs the project into a CPack private location (using `DESTDIR`)
  - 4 calls the generator and produces the package(s) for that generator

## CPack running steps III

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cpack command line example

```
$ cpack -G "TGZ;RPM"
CPack: Create package using TGZ
CPack: Install projects
CPack: - Run preinstall target for: TotallyFree
CPack: - Install project: TotallyFree
CPack: Create package
CPack: - package: <...>/build/TotallyFree-0.1.0-Linux.tar.gz generated.
CPack: Create package using RPM
CPack: Install projects
CPack: - Run preinstall target for: TotallyFree
CPack: - Install project: TotallyFree
CPack: Create package
CPackRPM: Will use GENERATED spec file: <...>/build/_CPack_Packages/Linux/RPM/SPECS/totallyfree.spec
CPack: - package: <...>/build/TotallyFree-0.1.0-Linux.rpm generated.
$
```

## CPack running steps IV

```
_____ make package example _____  
$ make package  
[ 33%] Built target acrodict  
[ 66%] Built target Acrodictlibre  
[100%] Built target Acrolibre  
Run CPack packaging tool...  
CPack: Create package using TGZ  
CPack: Install projects  
CPack: - Run preinstall target for: TotallyFree  
CPack: - Install project: TotallyFree  
CPack: Create package  
CPack: - package: <...>/build/TotallyFree-0.1.0-Linux.tar.gz generated.
```

### Rebuild project

In the `make package` case CMake is checking that the project does not need a rebuild.

# CPack running steps V

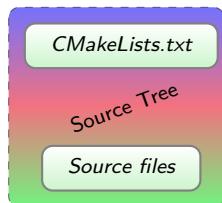
```
_____ make package_source example _____  
$ make package_source  
make package_source  
Run CPack packaging tool for source...  
CPack: Create package using TGZ  
CPack: Install projects  
CPack: - Install directory: <...>/totally-free  
CPack: Create package  
CPack: - package: <...>/build/TotallyFree-0.1.0-Source.tar.gz generated.  
CPack: Create package using TBZ2  
CPack: Install projects  
CPack: - Install directory: <...>/totally-free  
CPack: Create package  
CPack: - package: <...>/build/TotallyFree-0.1.0-Source.tar.bz2 generated.  
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CPack: Install projects  
CPack: - Install directory: <...>/totally-free  
CPack: Create package  
CPack: - package: <...>/build/TotallyFree-0.1.0-Source.tar.Z generated.
```

# The CPack workflow (pictured)

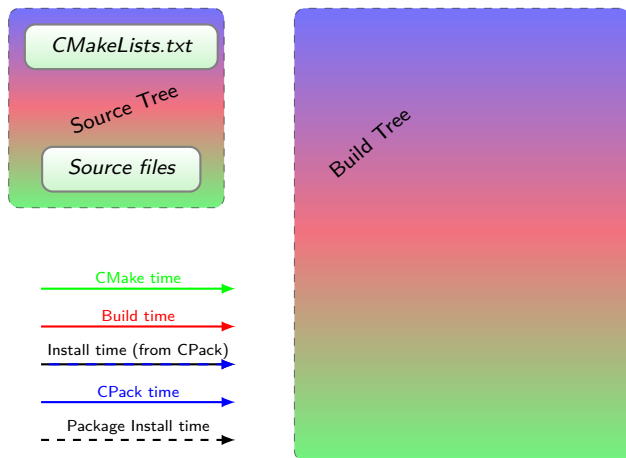
*CMakeLists.txt*

*Source files*

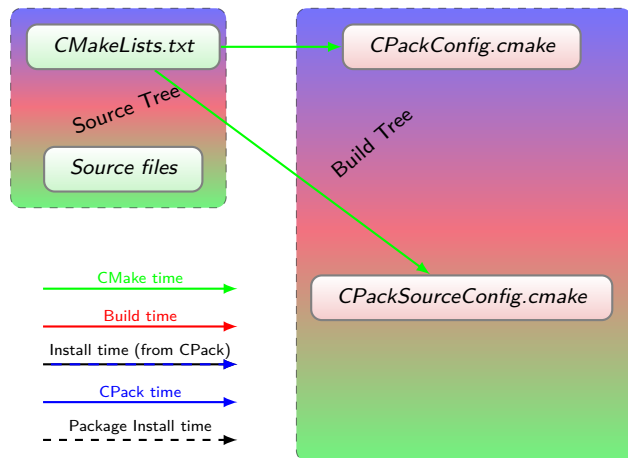
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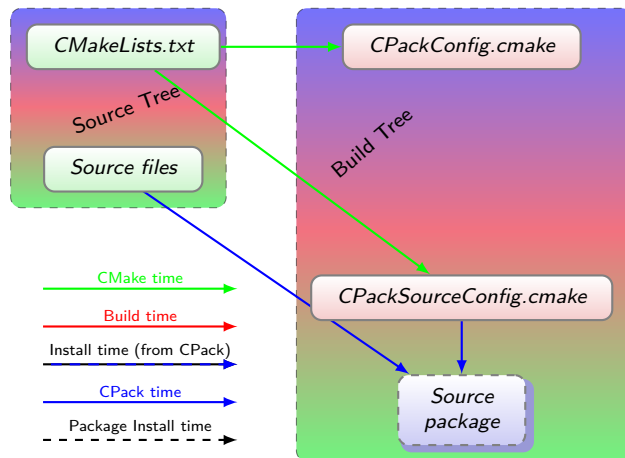


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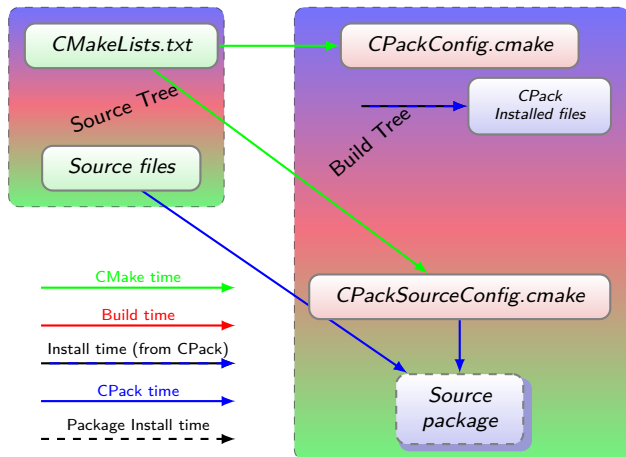




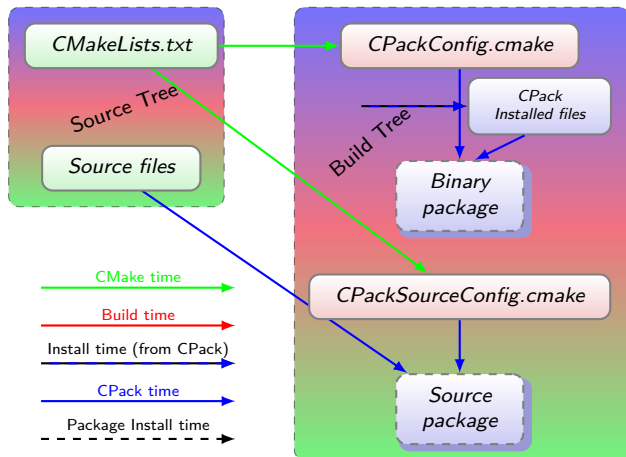
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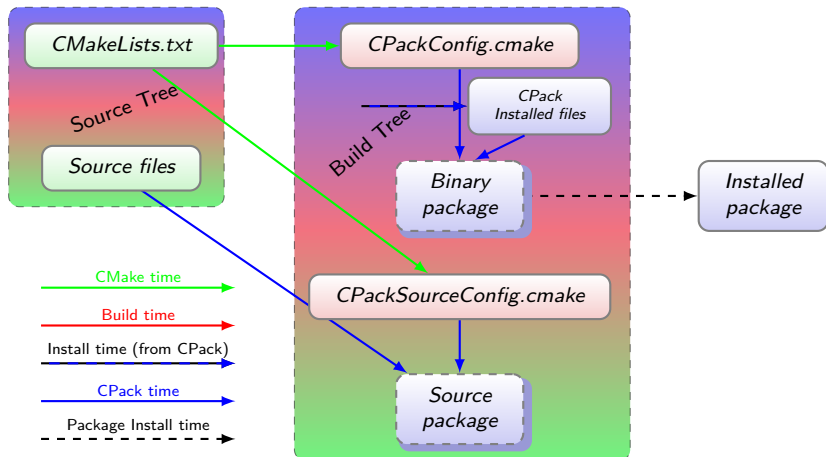
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# Source vs Binary Generators

CPack does not really distinguish “source” from “binaries”!!

## CPack source package

The CPack configuration file is: `CPackSourceConfig.cmake`. The CPack source generator is essentially packaging directories with install, exclude and include rules.

## CPack binary package

The CPack configuration file is: `CPackConfig.cmake`. Moreover CPack knows that a project is built with CMake and inherits many properties from the install rules found in the project.

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# Archive Generators

## A family of generators

The archive generators is a family of generators which is supported on all CMake supported platforms through `libarchive`:

<http://code.google.com/p/libarchive/>.

**STGZ** Self extracting Tar GZip compression

**TBZ2** Tar BZip2 compression

**TGZ** Tar GZip compression

**TZ** Tar Compress compression

**TXZ** Tar XZ compression

**7Z** 7-zip archive

**ZIP** Zip archive

# Linux-friendly generators I

- Tar-kind archive generators
- Binary RPM: only needs `rpmbuild` to work.
- Binary DEB: works on any Linux distros.
- IFW: Qt Installer framework

## CPack vs native tools

One could argue “why use CPack for building `.deb` or `.rpm`”. The primary target of CPack RPM and DEB generators are people who are NOT professional packagers. Those people can get a clean package without too much effort and get a better package than a bare TAR archive.

## No official packaging replacement

Those generators are **no replacement** for official packaging tools.



# Windows-friendly generators

- Zip archive generator
- NullSoft System Installer generator:  
<http://nsis.sourceforge.net/>  
Supports component installation, produces nice GUI installer.
- WiX installer: <http://wixtoolset.org/>  
Windows Installer XML which produces MSI.
- IFW: Qt Installer framework
- Cygwin: Binary and Source generators.

# Mac OS-friendly generators

- Tar-kind archive generators
- DragNDrop
- PackageMaker
- Bundle
- OSXX11
- may be Qt IFW as well...

## Don't ask me

I'm not a Mac OS user and I don't know them. Go and read the CPack doc or ask on the ML. <https://cmake.org/mailing-lists/>

# Packaging Components I

## CMake+CPack installation components?

Sometimes you want to split the installer into *components*.

- 1 Use COMPONENT argument in your install rules (in the CMakeLists.txt),
- 2 Add some more [CPack] information about how to group components,
- 3 Choose a component-aware CPack generator
- 4 Choose the behavior (1 package file per component, 1 package file per group, etc...)
- 5 Possibly specify generator specific behavior in CPACK\_PROJECT\_CONFIG\_FILE
- 6 Run CPack.

# Packaging Components II

More detailed documentation here:

[https://cmake.org/Wiki/CMake:Component\\_Install\\_With\\_CPack](https://cmake.org/Wiki/CMake:Component_Install_With_CPack)

## Component aware generator

- Not all generators do support components (i.e. they are MONOLITHIC)
- Some produce a single package file containing all components. (e.g. NSIS, WiX, Qt IFW)
- Others produce several package files containing one or several components. (e.g. ArchiveGenerator, RPM, DEB)

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# More to come on CTest/CDash

Sorry...out of time!!

CMake and its friends are so much fun and powerful that I ran out of time to reach a detailed presentation of CTest/CDash, stay tuned for next time...

In the meantime:

- Go there: <http://www.cdash.org>
- Open your own (free) Dashboard: <http://my.cdash.org/>

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