MASS C++ Developer's Guide

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1 SETUP

1.1 LOCATION AND PROJECT SETUP

MASS C++ can be found on the Dslab computer and the Linux Lab computers. Currently, the RedHat Linux machine Hercules is being used for development.

The master copy of MASS C++ can be found in the folder ~/MASS/c++, as shown in figure 1.

Figure 1 Location of MASS C++

The codebase is broken up into several folders. The work_ folders are currently unused and present only for historical reasons. Development occurs with git branches based on the source directory. The redhat and ubuntu folders contain Makefiles specific to those systems.

1.2 GETTING A COPY OF THE CODE FOR DEVELOPMENT

To get a local copy of MASS C++, git clone the repository on your machine as shown:

```
git clone ssh://dslab@hercules.uwb.edu:/~git/MASS_CPP.git
```

2 Making Changes

2.1 Making the change

If you are unfamiliar with Git, checkout the Git training files for more indepth discussion on how to use in in development. The training files can be found in the $^{\sim}$ /Training/GitTraining folder.

MASS C++ is using the Git Flow model for updates. To add a feature, branch off of the develop branch. You can then push your branch to origin to test it in Jenkins.

Here is the basic workflow in the command line, which should be very close to any GUI Git application's process.

2.2 BUILDING THE CHANGE

There are two ways to build your project.

2.2.1 Method 1: Jenkins

The easiest is to go to <u>Jenkins MASS-Cpp Branch Build</u>. Select Build with Parameters. Then enter the name of your branch.

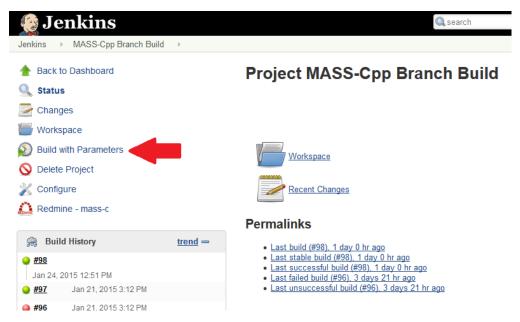


Figure 2 Building with Parameters

If the build is green, then it compiled successfully. If not, compilation has failed.

2.2.2 Method 2: Linux Lab

To build a particular branch, you will need to clone the repository into a folder so you can checkout the correct branch you need to build.

For the Linux Lab machines, you can do the following:

```
mkdir <MY_NAME>

cd <MY_NAME>
```

```
git clone ssh://dslab@hercules.uwb.edu:/~git/MASS CPP.git
```

You will now be able to checkout your branch. To build it, enter the ubuntu directory and type

```
make
```

This will build the MASS library.

Warning: This only builds your changes. Runtime errors will not be detected. Do not assume that you have not broken anything until you run your branch on one of the Linux machines!

Note: When building MASS C++, use the redhat makefile if building on Hercules, and use the Ubuntu makefile if building on the Linux lab machines. The Ubuntu machines are preferred for testing development.

2.3 TESTING THE CHANGE

To run MASS with a sample program, you will need to have setup a clone of the repository as shown in Method 2. In the ubuntu/samples folder, type

This will run MASS with a test program so you can catch obvious runtime errors.