Progress Report: Migrating a UHD-Fairwaves Ethernet-Based Circuit from Linux to Windows Using Python Wrappers

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Objective

The primary objective of this project is to migrate a Linux-based SDR circuit system that utilizes the UHD-Fairwaves driver to a Windows environment. This includes adapting the build system and source code for compatibility with Windows and creating Python wrappers to enable Python-based communication with the circuit over Ethernet. The goal is to maintain the full functionality of the original system while ensuring cross-platform operability and ease of use through Python.

Summary of Work Completed

1. Environment Preparation

Installed all necessary development tools and libraries using Homebrew, including CMake, Boost, and UHD. Also ensured that the Python environment is correctly configured for any future scripting or testing.

2. Cloning the UHD-Fairwaves Repository

Successfully cloned the Fairwaves fork of UHD to the local machine and set up the working directory on the desktop.

3. Build Directory Setup

Created a dedicated build directory and navigated into it to keep the build files organized and separate from the source.

4. Initial CMake Configuration

Faced a compatibility issue during the first attempt at running CMake, which was resolved by adjusting the configuration to match minimum policy and standard requirements.

5. Build Attempt

Initiated the build process. The process started successfully but encountered build errors related to deprecated Boost libraries, which are no longer supported in newer Boost versions.

6. Ongoing Debugging

Currently addressing the build errors by updating deprecated code in the source files. Once these updates are complete, I will re-attempt the build and proceed with further testing.

Next Steps

- Continue identifying and resolving build errors related to deprecated or unsupported C++/Boost components.
- Rebuild the project after applying the necessary fixes.
- Choose and implement a Python wrapping method for interfacing with the compiled C/C++ driver on Windows.