Development Environment Configuration

CATSMAT Project – University of New England

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# General

The project is built on Mac OS X 10.10 using XCode 6.3.1 or above.

We use libMusicXML, but at the time of writing the required files from that library are included within our project and build out of XCode. You don’t need to do anything for libMusicXML.

# Boost Libraries

The project uses boost libraries, at time of writing we are on Version 1.58.0. We use the filesystem and system libraries.

You need to download, build, and deploy the boost libraries as follows.

1. Download the latest boost libraries from <http://www.boost.org/>
2. Extract the package to some directory (call this BOOST\_DISTRO)
3. In a terminal window, change directory to $BOOST\_DISTRO and then run the following commands:

./bootstrap.sh --prefix=/usr/local/boost --with-libraries=filesystem,system

./b2 install

Note: if you do not have administrator/root access the second step will need to use the sudo command, i.e.

sudo ./b2 install

You will be prompted to enter your administrator password before installation proceeds.

At this point you have a new directory on your local filesystem called /usr/local/boost and under that you have include and lib.

Our XCode project file works with this installation of the boost libraries through the user defined Build Settings BOOST\_ROOT\_DIR, BOOST\_ROOT\_INC\_DIR, and BOOST\_ROOT\_LIB\_DIR.

If you need to install boost in any location other than /usr/local/boost then you will need to do some things:

1. Rerun the bootstrap command described above with the new location as the –prefix argument and recompile through b2.
2. Change BOOST\_ROOT\_DIR in our XCode project to point to this different install directory (you probably don't have to change the other two settings, unless the structure of the file system installed by Boost changes)
3. In our XCode project, in the Project Navigator, click on the libraries, and in the File Inspector change the Absolute Path to point at the new location.

Some information on adventures I had with boost can be found in VersionOne on Task TK-01003 - “DevEnv - Obtain code from GitHub, compile and run” and the information above is also contained within the VersionOne Task S-01024 - “Push changes for linking Boost libraries back to GitHub”.

# Google Test Framework

For unit testing we are using Google Test, which is a variant of the \*Unit class of test utilities (e.g. NUnit, JUnit, etc).

You need to download, compile, and install the Google test framework. You obtain the download from here:

<https://code.google.com/p/googletest/>

At time of writing the latest version is 1.7.0 and that is what we are using. The instructions here are generally useful:

<https://code.google.com/p/googletest/wiki/V1_7_XcodeGuide>

The steps are as follows:

1. Download the package and extract it somewhere on your hard drive.
2. Navigate to the XCode directory within the extracted package, and open the XCode project file that you will find there.
3. Make sure that the following build settings in the gtest project match those that we use in our CATSMAT project, otherwise you will get link errors:

*Note that a these settings must be the same in both the gtest project, and also in the CATSMAT project. You should check these in both places.*

*Apple LLVM 6.1 Language C++*

C++ Standard Library = libc++

*Architectures*

Architecture = Standard Architecture (64-bit Intel)

Base SDK = Latest OS X

*Deployment*

OS X Deployment Target = OS X 10.7

1. Build the gtest.framework target. The gtest build produces gtest.framework, and you need to deploy this to the correct place on your filesystem, otherwise our code will not link against it properly.
   1. In the Project Navigator window in XCode, under the Products folder, right click the gtest.framework, and select “Show in Finder”
   2. Copy the gtest.framework directory and paste it into /Library/Frameworks (you need local admin rights to change the contents of /Library/Frameworks).

Note that /Libraries/Frameworks is the default location on OS X. I tried to put this framework somewhere else using the Build Setting "Framework Search Paths” but I couldn’t get the system to find the framework at run time (I was getting “Image not found” errors). More work might resolve this, but for the moment the benefit seems small.

From this point, any existing unit tests within our IMUSANT project should work. If you are adding new unit test directories you will need to proceed as follows:

1. Create a new folder in the project for the tests you are going to add (for example, if you are testing CATSMAT, then call this folder CATSMAT\_Tests).
2. Create a new build target for the new tests. Edit the following build settings:

* Header Search Path  
  Add /Library/Frameworks/gtest.framework/Headers
* Build Phase  
  Add gtest.framework into the “Link Binary with Libraries” Build Phase.

1. Add a main() into the unit test folder.

* Note that you could instead link against gtest\_main in which case gtest will provide the main() for you, but I haven’t done this yet. See the gtest documentation refered to above.
* Note also that the signature of your main might include a const in front of char \* argv[] folder:

int main(int argc, const char \* argv[])

When you call InitGoogleTest() this will cause a “No matching function call” error at build time. You need to remove the const from the signature of main().