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add CMake configuration for enabling testing and running unit tests using CTest
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cmake_minimum_required(VERSION 3.14)

project(HelloWorld VERSION 1.0 LANGUAGES CXX)

# Provide a top-level CTest integration so we can create a 'check' target that runs tests.
# include(CTest) exposes CTest-related variables and the CTEST_TESTER environment variable.
include(CTest)

# Require C++17
set(CMAKE_CXX_STANDARD 17)
set(CMAKE_CXX_STANDARD_REQUIRED ON)
set(CMAKE_CXX_EXTENSIONS OFF)

# Create a small library for math operations so both the executable and tests can link to it
add_library(math_ops STATIC
    math_operations.cpp
)

target_include_directories(math_ops PUBLIC
    ${BUILD_INTERFACE}:${CMAKE_SOURCE_DIR}
)

# Create the main executable from main.cpp and link the math_ops library
add_executable(HelloWorld main.cpp)
target_link_libraries(HelloWorld PRIVATE math_ops)

# Prefer target-based properties
target_compile_features(HelloWorld PRIVATE cxx_std_17)
target_compile_features(math_ops PRIVATE cxx_std_17)
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# Warning level / pedantic flags per compiler (helpful cross-platform defaults)

if (MSVC)

    target_compile_options(HelloWorld PRIVATE /W4 /permissive-)
    target_compile_options(math_ops PRIVATE /W4 /permissive-)

else ()

    target_compile_options(HelloWorld PRIVATE -Wall -Wextra -Wpedantic)
    target_compile_options(math_ops PRIVATE -Wall -Wextra -Wpedantic)

endif()

# Place binaries in a predictable folder inside the build directory

set_target_properties(HelloWorld PROPERTIES
    RUNTIME_OUTPUT_DIRECTORY "${CMAKE_BINARY_DIR}/bin"
)

# Install rule for the produced executable

install(TARGETS HelloWorld
    RUNTIME DESTINATION bin
)

# Option to enable building tests (OFF by default)

option(BUILD_TESTS "Build tests" OFF)

# GoogleTest integration (download & build when BUILD_TESTS is ON)

if (BUILD_TESTS)

    # Enable testing and register CTest tests
    enable_testing()

    include(FetchContent)

    # Fetch GoogleTest; this will download the project at configure time if needed.

    FetchContent_Declare(
        gtest
        URL https://github.com/google/googletest/archive/refs/heads/main.zip
    )

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# For MSVC: prefer shared CRT for gtest to match project settings if needed
if (MSVC)
    set(gtest_force_shared_crt ON CACHE BOOL "" FORCE)
endif()

FetchContent_MakeAvailable(googletest)

# Add the test executable and link to gtest_main and our math_ops library
add_executable(unit_tests tests/unit_tests.cpp)
target_link_libraries(unit_tests PRIVATE GTest::gtest_main math_ops)
target_include_directories(unit_tests PRIVATE ${CMAKE_SOURCE_DIR})
target_compile_features(unit_tests PRIVATE cxx_std_17)

if (MSVC)
    target_compile_options(unit_tests PRIVATE /W4 /permissive-)
else ()
    target_compile_options(unit_tests PRIVATE -Wall -Wextra -Wpedantic)
endif()

# Put tests in the same predictable output folder
set_target_properties(unit_tests PROPERTIES
    RUNTIME_OUTPUT_DIRECTORY "${CMAKE_BINARY_DIR}/bin"
)

# Register the test with CTest so it can be run with 'ctest'
add_test(NAME unit_tests COMMAND unit_tests)

# Provide a convenient 'check' target that runs CTest with verbose output on failure.
# Users can run: cmake --build . --target check
add_custom_target(check
    COMMAND ${CMAKE_CTEST_COMMAND} --output-on-failure
    DEPENDS unit_tests
    WORKING_DIRECTORY ${CMAKE_BINARY_DIR}
)

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)  
endif()  
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I updated your CMakeLists.txt to:

- Include CTest integration at the top (`include(CTest)`).
- Call `enable_testing()` when `BUILD_TESTS` is ON and register the `unit_tests` executable with `add_test`.
- Add a convenient custom target named `check` which runs CTest (so you can run tests via: `cmake --build . --target check`).
- Kept the existing FetchContent-based GoogleTest integration and the `math_ops` library so both your app and tests share the same code.

How to build and run tests:

- Configure with tests enabled:
  - `mkdir build && cd build`
  - `cmake -DBUILD_TESTS=ON ..`
- Build everything and run tests:
  - `cmake --build .` # builds `hello` and `unit_tests`
  - `cmake --build . --target check` # runs ctest with output on failure
  - or run: `ctest --output-on-failure`

If you'd like `BUILD_TESTS` to default to ON, or prefer to use a system-installed GoogleTest via `find_package(GTest REQUIRED)` instead of FetchContent, tell me and I'll update the file.

Generate a Windows batch script to build and test a CMake project. The script should create a build directorym go inside it, run cmake .., build the project, and run ctes

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```name=build_and_test.bat  
@echo off  
REM build_and_test.bat  
REM Creates a build directory, runs CMake configure, builds the project, and runs CTest.  
REM Usage: build_and_test.bat [Configuration]
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REM Example: build_and_test.bat Release
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REM If no configuration is provided, Release is used by default.
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setlocal
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:: Allow user to provide configuration (Release, Debug, etc.)
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set "CONFIG=%~1"
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if "%CONFIG%"=="" set "CONFIG=Release"
```

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echo.
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echo ===== Build and Test (CMake) =====
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echo Configuration: %CONFIG%
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echo =====
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:: Create build directory if it doesn't exist
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if not exist "build" (
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```
echo Creating build directory...
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```
mkdir "build"
```

```
if errorlevel 1 (
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```
echo Failed to create build directory.
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```
endlocal
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exit /b 1
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)
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)
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pushd "build" || (
```

```
echo Failed to enter build directory.
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endlocal
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exit /b 1
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)
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echo Running CMake configure...
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REM For single-config generators this sets CMAKE_BUILD_TYPE; for multi-config it's ignored.
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cmake .. -DCMAKE_BUILD_TYPE=%CONFIG%
if errorlevel 1 (
    echo CMake configuration failed.
    popd
    endlocal
    exit /b 1
)

echo Building project...
REM Use CMake's --parallel for parallel build if supported; falls back if not supported by older CMake.
set "JOBS=%NUMBER_OF_PROCESSORS%"
if "%JOBS%"=="" set "JOBS=2"

cmake --build . --config %CONFIG% --parallel %JOBS%
if errorlevel 1 (
    echo Build failed.
    popd
    endlocal
    exit /b 1
)

echo Running tests with CTest...
ctest --output-on-failure -C %CONFIG%
if errorlevel 1 (
    echo Some tests failed.
    popd
    endlocal
    exit /b 1
)

echo.
echo All steps completed successfully.
popd
endlocal
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exit /b 0
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...
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I created build\_and\_test.bat which:

- Creates a build directory (if needed) and changes into it.
- Runs CMake configure (cmake ..), passing CMAKE\_BUILD\_TYPE for single-config generators.
- Builds the project using cmake --build with parallel jobs based on the NUMBER\_OF\_PROCESSORS environment variable.
- Runs tests with ctest --output-on-failure for the provided configuration (default: Release).

How to use: open a Developer Command Prompt or regular Command Prompt with CMake on PATH, then run:

- build\_and\_test.bat

or

- build\_and\_test.bat Debug

If you want the script to force a particular generator, clean the build directory before configuring, or produce more detailed logs, tell me and I'll update the script.

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