

MAKING PORTABLE APPLICATIONS WITH RDKit

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- Chemistry application or chemistry library
 - Written in C++ and using RDKit
 - Self-contained in a single file on your computer
 - Will work on all versions of Windows from XP onwards
- Why? Super-portable!
 - No deployment problems – will just work



NAMERXN

- Commandline application that names reactions

```
C:\NameRxn\Release> namerxn.exe C:\ReactionsFromPatents.rsmi
US20010000038A1 : 10.1.1 Bromination [Halogenation]
US20010000038A1 : 10.1.1 Bromination [Halogenation]
US20010000038A1 : 0.0 Unrecognized [Unassigned]
US20010000038A1 : 9.7.27 Chloro to hydroxy [Other functional group
interconversion]
US20010000038A1 : 1.7.0 Ethyl esterification [O-substitution]
```



COMPILE WITH MSVC++

- Use Cygwin's Cygcheck to look at dependencies

```
C:\NameRxn\Release> C:\Cygwin\bin\cygcheck.exe ./namerxn.exe
C:\NameRxn\Release\namerxn.exe
...
...
...
C:\Windows\system32\MSVCP110.dll
C:\Windows\system32\MSVCR110.dll
```

- Depends on MSVC++ dlls which may not be present on the user's machine
 - Would have to bundle somehow with the application
- Solution: Use the MinGW compiler
 - GCC, Open source



MINGW AND RDKit APPLICATIONS

- Need to build everything from the bottom-up with MinGW
 - Boost
 - RDKit
 - Any other dependencies (e.g. zlib, cairo)
- Finally build your own application
 - Statically link any dependencies



COMPILE WITH MINGW

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```
C:\NameRxn\Release> C:\Cygwin\bin\cygcheck.exe ./namerxn.exe
C:\NameRxn\namerxn.exe
...
...
...
C:\MinGW\bin\libgcc_s_dw2-1.dll
C:\MinGW\bin\libstdc++-6.dll
```

- Same problem as with MSVC++, but this time there is a solution
 - Use special compile and link flags:
“-static-libgcc” “-static-libstdc++” and “-s”
- Removes the dependency on MinGW dlls



END RESULT

- Portable namerxn.exe
- Also portable SWIG bindings
 - Python, .NET, Java (“-Wl,--kill-at”)
- Python modules: one .py file, one .pyd
- Java library: one jar file, one dll
- .NET: one .NET dll, one C++ dll
 - Used to create NameRxn Plugin for Accelrys Draw

