
Subject: Problematic hack in upp::Build.cpp
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In Build.cpp there is the following code:

```
bool MakeBuild::Build(const Workspace& wspc, String mainparam, String outfile, bool
clear_console)
{
    String hfile = outfile + ".xxx";
    SaveFile(hfile, "");
    FileTime start_time = GetFileTime(hfile); // Defensive way to get correct filetime of start
    DeleteFile(hfile);

    ClearErrorEditor();
    BeginBuilding(true, clear_console);
    ...
}
```

I use a background process to automatically backup changed files in my project-dir (See: <https://github.com/slashmais/simplebup>) and some of my workfiles happen to use the extension '.xxx'.

The above code caused an empty '.xxx' backup that had me bug-hunting my code for hours..

I'm sure there are better ways to get the needed timestamp, or at least create a proper temporary file without this kind of clashing, this is not a good hack at all

(I've for now changed my extension to '.x_x' but it is only a temporary work-around)