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Subject: theide: Windows Microsoft SDK 64-bit debugging

Posted by [mirek](#) on Sun, 10 Aug 2014 17:30:07 GMT

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I am happy to announce that another functionality gap is being resolved:

theide is now able to debug 64-bit windows apps compiled with MSC compiler.

In order to do so, you need to compile 64-bit ide; that is then able to debug both 64-bit and 32-bit apps.

As this is new, it is possible that something is still broken, I also plan to do some more improvements with debugger. Please report any problems....

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Subject: Re: theide: Windows Microsoft SDK 64-bit debugging

Posted by [Klugier](#) on Sun, 10 Aug 2014 19:15:17 GMT

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Hello Mirek,

Are you planning to support 64 bits MS Windows nightly builds?

Sincerely,  
Klugier

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Subject: Re: theide: Windows Microsoft SDK 64-bit debugging

Posted by [mirek](#) on Sun, 10 Aug 2014 19:46:05 GMT

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Klugier

Yes, but might take some time...

Mirek

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Subject: Re: theide: Windows Microsoft SDK 64-bit debugging

Posted by [koldo](#) on Mon, 11 Aug 2014 08:57:19 GMT

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Good. Thank you!

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Subject: Re: theide: Windows Microsoft SDK 64-bit debugging

Posted by [koldo](#) on Mon, 11 Aug 2014 16:08:56 GMT

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Subject: Re: theide: Windows Microsoft SDK 64-bit debugging

Posted by [mirek](#) on Mon, 11 Aug 2014 17:24:03 GMT

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Mirek

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Subject: Re: theide: Windows Microsoft SDK 64-bit debugging

Posted by [mirek](#) on Mon, 11 Aug 2014 17:28:51 GMT

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BTW, I have just tried it works.... using MSC10x64, breakpoint on the first line of constructor.

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The screenshot shows the TheIDE IDE interface. The main window displays the source code for a C++ application named 'Clock'. The code includes a `struct App` with various methods like `PaintPtr`, `Timer`, and `App()`. The `App()` method sets the window title to "Clock" and calls `Refresh()`. The `Timer` method calls `Refresh()`. The `PaintPtr` method calls `PaintCenteredText`. The `App()` method also calls `SetRect`, `Sizeable`, `BackPaint`, `SetTimeCallback`, and `Title`.

Below the code editor, there is a table showing the variable declaration for the `App` struct. The table has columns for the variable name and its value.

action	{ vector={ vector=0, items=0, alloc=0 } }
activefoc	{ prec=0 }
backup	{ len=0, s=a9f880 "" }
backgrou	{ value={ data={ len=0, s=a9f8a0 "" }, svo=7ff7dd91b020 }, display=dda35040->
minsize	{ cx=80 'P', cy=20 }
dokeys	1
fullscreen	0
center	1
overlapp	{ left=0, top=0, right=0, bottom=0 }
title	{ len=0, s=dd934ea0->?? }
minimizel	0
maximize	0
nocloseb	0
sizeable	0
tool	0
frameless	0
urgent	0
state	2
icon	{ data=0 }
largeicon	{ data=0 }
st	dda34978->{ background={ data={ len=??, s=?? }, svo=7ff7dd91b020 }, status=
style	0

Subject: Re: theide: Windows Microsoft SDK 64-bit debugging

Posted by [koldo](#) on Tue, 12 Aug 2014 07:39:14 GMT

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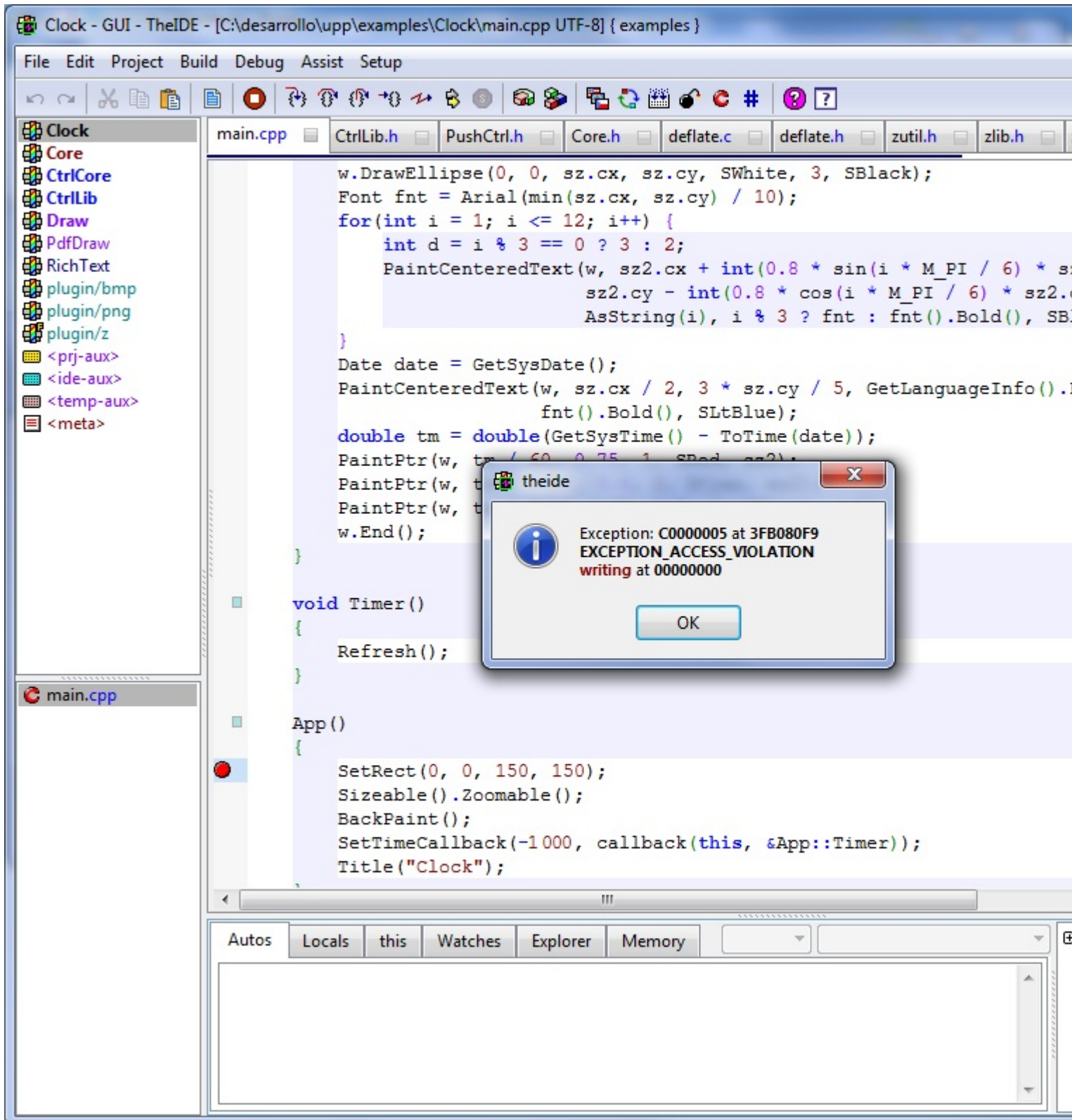
MirekHello Mirek

Windows 7 64 bits. The problem happens debugging both MSC10 32 and 64 bits.

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Subject: Re: theide: Windows Microsoft SDK 64-bit debugging  
Posted by [mirek](#) on Tue, 12 Aug 2014 11:34:49 GMT

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I have now fixed issue with some strange FP exceptions, I think the fix can be related to this as well. Can you please recheck with the latest trunk?

Thanks,

Mirek

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Subject: Re: theide: Windows Microsoft SDK 64-bit debugging

Posted by [masu](#) on Tue, 12 Aug 2014 13:24:42 GMT

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Hi,

can you please also add `#ifdef COMPILER_MSC` to Cpu.cpp and Stack.cpp?  
I get compile errors with TDM\_MINGW64.

Thanks!

Regards  
Matthias

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Subject: Re: theide: Windows Microsoft SDK 64-bit debugging

Posted by [mirek](#) on Tue, 12 Aug 2014 18:07:59 GMT

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Ops. Thanks, applied.

Mirek

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Subject: Re: theide: Windows Microsoft SDK 64-bit debugging

Posted by [koldo](#) on Tue, 12 Aug 2014 21:02:57 GMT

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Problem solved. Now it works perfectly with MSC in 32 and 64 bits. Thank you Mirek.

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Subject: Re: theide: Windows Microsoft SDK 64-bit debugging

Posted by [mirek](#) on Wed, 13 Aug 2014 06:04:01 GMT

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Great! Thanks for reporting.

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Subject: Re: theide: Windows Microsoft SDK 64-bit debugging

Posted by [mirek](#) on Sun, 24 Aug 2014 09:04:55 GMT

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New features implemented:

- debugger now fully implements global variables. Known problem: I have not found a way how to distinguish between two static global variables with the same name in different modules, so one of them is randomly picked.

- debugger now implements conditional breakpoints; thing to know is that it is capable of evaluating about thousands of conditional breakpoints per second. TODO: I still yet have to document expression syntax

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Subject: Re: theide: Windows Microsoft SDK 64-bit debugging

Posted by [281264](#) on Sun, 21 Sep 2014 12:17:37 GMT

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Javier

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Subject: Re: theide: Windows Microsoft SDK 64-bit debugging

Posted by [mirek](#) on Sun, 21 Sep 2014 15:03:03 GMT

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Javier

Automated build method setup should have had setup 64-bit build method for you. All you need to do is switch the build method e.g. from MSC10 to MSC10x64.

If you do not have that method, the simplest way is to rerun automated build method setup (Setup/Automatic setup).

Mirek

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Subject: Re: theide: Windows Microsoft SDK 64-bit debugging

Posted by [281264](#) on Mon, 22 Sep 2014 20:26:18 GMT

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Thx,

Javier

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Posted by [mirek](#) on Wed, 24 Sep 2014 06:14:41 GMT

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Javier

I am a little bit confused now... So I will try to cover all corners

After installing U++ in windows, you (for now) get 32-bit theide.exe. This is able to compile 64-bit apps, but not to debug them.

You need 64-bit theide.exe. Sources of ide are part of uppsrc, so what you are supposed to do is to build 64-bit theide.exe using 32-bit theide.exe that you have. Thus at the start of ide, choose uppsrc assembly and ide package, then set the method to MSC 12x64 and Optimal mode, then build. This should produce ide.exe (you can use Build/Open output directory to locate it quickly), now rename to theide.exe and replace the original theide.exe (which is in c:/upp by default) with this new one (perhaps make backup first).

Mirek

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Subject: Re: theide: Windows Microsoft SDK 64-bit debugging  
Posted by [281264](#) on Wed, 24 Sep 2014 12:46:15 GMT  
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Mirek,

Thank you for the clarification. It works fine.

I've tested the feature with several types of applications and found that in simple "console" applications (those with CONSOLE\_APP\_MAIN + Core package) you have to select the option "All shared" within "building"+"Output mode" menu. Otherwise, the compier produces an error. It might well be that I have had that option the wrong way from the very beginning.

Many thanks.

Javier

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Subject: Re: theide: Windows Microsoft SDK 64-bit debugging  
Posted by [281264](#) on Thu, 25 Sep 2014 12:26:44 GMT  
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After executing "Build" + "Rebuild all" the problems dissapeared. Everything works fine now.

Cheers!

Javier

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Subject: Re: theide: Windows Microsoft SDK 64-bit debugging  
Posted by [cbpporter](#) on Tue, 30 Sep 2014 08:15:02 GMT  
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Subject: Re: theide: Windows Microsoft SDK 64-bit debugging  
Posted by [mirek](#) on Tue, 30 Sep 2014 13:35:27 GMT  
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Subject: Re: theide: Windows Microsoft SDK 64-bit debugging  
Posted by [koldo](#) on Wed, 01 Oct 2014 07:53:59 GMT  
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Hello Mirek

I also have the same problem with Strings.

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Yeah, I'm aware of that . The "DSym" implementation. I did write a hacky debugger addition to debug strings without that mechanic only for TheIDE and posted it a few years ago on the forum.

As said, I too can't reliably reproduce it, but when I will, I'll surely check it out to see why it fails.

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Subject: Re: theide: Windows Microsoft SDK 64-bit debugging

Posted by [koldo](#) on Thu, 02 Oct 2014 16:16:10 GMT

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Subject: Re: theide: Windows Microsoft SDK 64-bit debugging

Posted by [mirek](#) on Sat, 04 Oct 2014 08:26:12 GMT

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Well, there is lot of new development in theide now. Do you have any specifics about hanging? Anything special? Does it hang forever? How does look the file edited? Perhaps even screenshot would be useful...

Subject: Re: theide: Windows Microsoft SDK 64-bit debugging

Posted by [koldo](#) on Fri, 10 Oct 2014 06:29:36 GMT

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Subject: Re: theide: Windows Microsoft SDK 64-bit debugging

Posted by [mirek](#) on Wed, 12 Nov 2014 14:23:58 GMT

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I have just fixed a issue which could have caused freezes with active debugger, so hopefully this is now really fixed...

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