Subject: New Core
Posted by mirek on Tue, 03 May 2016 14:17:23 GMT
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This week I am in the process to finally switching to "new" Core.

Right now, it is already in trunk and most things are fixed.

New Core is "C++11 only". Details of what is new/changed will be published later.

Anyway, as there is not a 100% compatibility maintained, the most important information is that the 'legacy' U++ will be available at svn://ultimatepp.org/upp/classic and perhaps maintained for some time to go...

Mirek

Subject: Re: New Core
Posted by koldo on Wed, 04 May 2016 07:38:57 GMT
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Hello Mirek

What will be the improvements and where do you expect the compatibility problems may appear?

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Posted by cbpporter on Wed, 04 May 2016 12:55:05 GMT
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And what kind of changes are these? Superficial or deeper? Did you manage to clean up the weird more legacy stuff or is it just an update of containers for C++1x?

And speaking of C++14, this version supports 0b1111 like constants. Just today I needed them in CodeEditor. I will submit a patch for it if you think we should support it? Do you?

And if yes, the question is if you want me to add a:

HL_COLOR(INK_CONST_BIN, t_("Binary constant"), 1)

to the highlighting infrastructure or will we reuse some existing color?

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Posted by mirek on Thu, 05 May 2016 07:26:38 GMT
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Ah OK!

I shall wait then!

Honestly, I was hoping for a more substantial update to Core. Most classes are fine as they are, even great, but all the free functions are falling out of favor and considered sub-optimal design nowadays. As an example, all the file name related stuff could be grouped under a class called Path with static members and so on.

I help with remembering where everything goes and what names it has. I often know that there is a free function that solves my problem, but I'm not sure how it is called.

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Mirek

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Posted by Zbych on Sun, 08 May 2016 16:08:03 GMT
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Honza

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Honza

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Posted by mr_ped on Mon, 09 May 2016 22:31:41 GMT
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Posted by Mindtraveller on Tue, 10 May 2016 16:46:55 GMT
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I'm afraid Web package is not compiled successfully with new Core. Compiling with MSC 14/15 fails on a number of files from Web package.

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Posted by mirek on Wed, 11 May 2016 08:33:46 GMT
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Here is the brief summary:

http://www.ultimatepp.org/srcdoc$Core$Core2016$en-us.html

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E.g.

http://www.codeproject.com/Articles/1068378/Simple-multi-req uest-web-crawler-using-Uplusplus

Mirek

Subject: Re: New Core
Posted by cbpporter on Thu, 12 May 2016 01:04:26 GMT
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Which is the last "old core" version. For bookmarking :).

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Posted by Novo on Thu, 12 May 2016 02:45:44 GMT
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Another interesting thing. A quote from documentation: "-Os: optimizes code for size. It activates all -O2 options that do not increase the size of the generated code. It can be useful for machines that have extremely limited disk storage space and/or CPUs with small cache sizes."
So, basically, -Os is -O2 with some limitations.

Thanks.

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Posted by Novo on Thu, 12 May 2016 15:08:56 GMT
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Another thing.

Could you please convert all Windows-related include file names to lower case? They are all lower case with mingw on Linux.
It looks like this is the right time to do that.

A patch file created by git looks weird, but still ...
You need to use WIN32 flag with mingw on Linux, and TheIDE won't handle rc-files.

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TIA

File Attachments
1) mingw.patch, downloaded 279 times

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I'll try the latest MSC on Monday.

But can actually MINGW or TDM or whatever is called be actually so good at optimizing my code or is there something else going on?

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It is related to the implementation of allocator.

In short: There are small blocks and there are large blocks. At some point, I need to know if freed block is small or large. Fast method to do that is to use single bit in address - small blocks are always 32 bytes aligned, large blocks are 32 bytes misaligned. Therefore small block has to be multiple of 32.

Previous core used the same process, but 16 byte misalignment. So the smallest block was 16 bytes and alignment 8 bytes.

Of course, I have tested this (with theide and other apps) and the increase in memory consumption is negligible.

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BTW, my hypothesis here is that it is a bug linker that makes it impossible to combine size and speed optimized code (after all, there are no issues in Posix). Perhaps something related to inlines (-O3 is more aggresive in inlining everything). SO whatever, all is now -O2.

Mirek

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Hopefully fixed (I have just removed our abs definitions, which were there to support old compilers...)

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You would need "cross-compling" ide... (does not exist at the moment).

Why not just use wine and current nightly build? Works like charm. (Actually, nightly build is built this way - wine mingw).

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```
void Http::ParseRequest(const char *p)
{
 while(*p) {
  const char *last = p;
  while(*p && *p != '=' && *p != '&')
   p++;
  String key = UrlDecode(last, p);
  if(*p == '=')
   p++;
  last = p;
  while(*p && *p != '&')
   p++;
  if(*key != '.' && *key != '@') {
   if(key.EndsWith("[]")) {
    Value &v = var.GetAdd(key);
    if(v.IsNull())
```

```
      v = ValueArray();
     (ValueArray &)v << UrlDecode(last, p);
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f.url =

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f.password = password
f.path = /path
f.query = arg=value&aarg[]=item1&aarg[]=item2
f.fragment = anchor
f.parameters = {arg: value}
f.array_parameters = {aarg: [item1, item2]}

Subject: Re: New Core
Posted by cbpporter on Tue, 17 May 2016 09:18:45 GMT
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cbpporter wrote on Fri, 13 May 2016 18:05cbpporter wrote on Fri, 13 May 2016 17:48I've been slightly reluctant with the changes since I'm suing an older compiler.

And while I'm not sure I'll switch over to the new core, I'm done with the old compiler. In some micro benchmarks with VS2010, my code runs 4 times slower than with MINGW with 100000 iterations.

So I'm done with VS2010 :lol: :lol: .
Well, MSC11 is not any better than 10.

I'll try the latest MSC on Monday.

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Nope, of course not. While I have full respect for GCC and it's family, I am yet to see a it have a 2 to 4 times better performance in the generated code than it's competitors.

Changing compilers around and having the same bad performance led me to disregard what is changing as a non-contributing factor and focus my attention on what was constant.

And I was right: it was TheIDE. The settings for "Optimal" cause the performance degrade. Switching to speed makes the performance be roughly equal to TDM with Optimal. But TDM with

Speed is even faster.

So what is up with "Optimal". I can see that it uses /O1. That is the option for "optimized for speed" from MSC. MSC recommends /O2 for release builds. Why does Optimal do /O1 and what is the difference then between Optimal and Size.

And more importantly: why was I compiling with "Optimal" for years now?

Good thing that I caught it. I was just about to write a blog post detailing the horrible performance of MSC10 and singing the praises of GCC. I would have made a fool of myself publicly when no one else could have gotten the same results in the benchmarks :).

Subject: Re: New Core
Posted by mirek on Wed, 18 May 2016 12:25:02 GMT
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I guess you misunderstand Optimal mode.

-O1 is "optimize for size"

Optimal mode means "optimize for size unless told otherwise". You can "tell otherwise" by activating "optimize for speed" in either package or file settings.

The motivation here was that majority of code does not have impact on speed. So you can just mark some files or packages to be speed optimized and save size elsewhere. You can e.g. look at Core and see which files are speed optimized (they have little "F" on them, as "FAST").

That said, maybe whole that thing is over-engineered. It dates some 15 years back when it was still important to fit something on 3.5inch diskettes (yes, U++ remembers such times) and having .exe 1.2MB instead of 1.7MB was still a big deal.

Subject: Re: New Core
Posted by mirek on Wed, 18 May 2016 12:36:30 GMT
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P.S.: Funny fact, theide 64 optimal size is 15920KB, speed is 17354KB. I guess I will drop this confusion soon...

Subject: Re: New Core
Posted by cbpporter on Wed, 18 May 2016 13:24:51 GMT
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mirek wrote on Wed, 18 May 2016 15:36P.S.: Funny fact, theide 64 optimal size is 15920KB, speed is 17354KB. I guess I will drop this confusion soon...
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It would be great if at least this would be less confusing.

Optimal means optimal. It means that either it is everybody else's optimal, i.e. Microsoft's or the open source community's recommendation or your personal best pick if you think you know better. Nobody understand though optimal -O1! -O1 on GCC means optimized, but do cheap as compile time optimizations and on MSC means optimize if it doesn't increase code size.

Subject: Re: New Core
Posted by mirek on Wed, 18 May 2016 18:44:14 GMT
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This absolutely expected.

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Have you told it that your package/file needs to be speed optimized?

Quote:
Optimal means optimal.

Exactly. Optimal .exe is as small as possible and as fast as possible. By optimizing for speed only what is necessary, you can achieve that goal.

Anyway, while this is sound idea, as I said 10% in size is not worth the trouble. So from the next

release on, it will be just speed.

Mirek

Subject: Re: New Core
Posted by cbpporter on Wed, 18 May 2016 19:53:21 GMT
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cbpporter wrote on Thu, 12 May 2016 04:04Which is the last "old core" version. For bookmarking :).
And not just for bookmarking. For bug-fixing and submitting test-cases. I'm a bit stuck. I need to patch both my code and submit one for TheIDE to detect better older compiler versions. I know that it is legacy mode and no longer supported, but there is still autodecting code, which doesn't work as good as it should. So either remove it or fix it. I really need to take my ugly code and write a package that autodetects really well the compiler versions and add it to bazaar and as a dependency in my code.

Then I'm finding bugs left and right, some probably just because I'm doing something wrong, but at least one is in U++, but I can't compile yet with the new core.

Then I'm stuck since my command line project is not supposed to support C++11, but it is also used as a library by the GUI, which doesn't care about C++ version. So if I update, I need to make my code old school C++ and use U++ Core in a way that compiles at least on both.

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Speed and size is fine.

Actually, I'm having this problem too. I need to support MSC, several versions, TDM, Clang overrides for them, Linux G++ and Linux Clang.

And they hate to agree upon what option means what :). So I'm thinking of only supporting two options, Debug and Release, and to have compiler dependent options as overrides. For MSC: O1, O2, Ox and Od. For G++: O0-O3 and Os. So I'm thinking of adding these options to the GUI based on compiler and no even trying to give them meaningful names. Debug and Release come with sensible defaults and if you touch the Onn options, it means you know what you are doing.

Subject: Re: New Core
Posted by mdelfede on Fri, 20 May 2016 23:22:56 GMT
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Well... today I updated from svn and I got the "nice" surprise on my windows box :(
I guess it's time to fix some code and, the hard part, the Protect package.

I hope to find some spare time....

Subject: Re: New Core
Posted by mirek on Sat, 21 May 2016 11:30:11 GMT
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You can still use 'classic' instead of trunk.

Subject: Re: New Core
Posted by mirek on Sat, 21 May 2016 11:40:10 GMT
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Novo wrote on Thu, 12 May 2016 17:08Another thing.

Could you please convert all Windows-related include file names to lower case? They are all lower case with mingw on Linux.
It looks like this is the right time to do that.

A patch file created by git looks weird, but still ...
You need to use WIN32 flag with mingw on Linux, and TheIDE won't handle rc-files.

Update: if I use WIN32 flag along with GUI and MT, then I get a problem with rc-files. If I just add a -DflagWIN32 common option, then everything compiles, but TheIDE is still linking against Linux libs ...

I guess I'm missing something.

TIA

Patch applied (I do not think it will solve your issues, but it does not harm either).

Subject: Re: New Core
Posted by Novo on Thu, 02 Jun 2016 23:23:04 GMT
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mirek wrote on Sat, 14 May 2016 01:59Novo wrote on Thu, 12 May 2016 16:23mirek wrote on Thu, 12 May 2016 03:09
Weird. That is the place it was always crashing, before I have fixed it with 'finetuning' -O options.

Are you using "Instant setup" default options?

Mirek

No, I was using old -O3 and -Os options.
Replacing -Os with -O2 fixed crashes with Optimal and Size configuration.
I didn't change -O3 to -O2 for the Speed configuration.
I do not understand where you are taking options for the Optimal configuration from. They are not declared explicitly anywhere.

I do not quite understand the question. I was just combining until it worked. Then adjusted 'instant setup' to found options.

BTW, my hypothesis here is that it is a bug linker that makes it impossible to combine size and speed optimized code (after all, there are no issues in Posix). Perhaps something related to inlines (-O3 is more aggresive in inlining everything). SO whatever, all is now -O2.

Mirek
I was trying to say that "Optimal" was hard-coded somewhere, and there was no way to change it without recompilation of TheIDE. Anyway, it is gone now.