Architectures vs the Ports tree: a losing battle?

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OpenBSD rules



Only on OpenBSD

- we only use cross-compilation for bootstrap
- every arch builds its own packages
- best stress-test ever



Interesting variations

- strict alignment architectures
- big endian vs little endian
- character signedness (not really interesting)
- reverse stack
- ghostguard
- smallkva
- (compiler bugs)



Why this talk

- Cumulative work over the past 20 years or so
- Lots of (smallish) topics I haven't talked about ever
- No big plan, just lots of small improvements and know-how



What's an architecture

What's in a name

- ARCH describes the exact machine (e.g., macppc)
- MACHINE_ARCH is the "cpu make" (e.g., powerpc)
- details like "i386" vs "pentium" are generally not encoded
- ullet ightarrow generally, packages target MACHINE_ARCH

Compiler subversion

- Compilers offer -march=native options
- This should never be used for building packages
- Instead the base OS targets a baseline cpu, and everything should work on this cpu and later versions
- (notable exception: the altivec extensions to ppc, a while ago)
- slowly, the bar gets raised, from i386 to i586 to...



not gentoo

talking to upstream

- explaining that we're software vendors, and we need reliable builds that will work on every machine
- so no tests during builds to optimize the compilation to the exact machine we have
- specifically for multimedia software: no hand-crafted assembly code selected at runtime

good practices

- provide at least a way to build that doesn't hardcode machine details
- replace compile-time tests with runtime tests to select hand-crafted code (for instance, relying on cpuid on intel boxess)

compilers

Compiler options

- in general, upstream is bad with compiler options
- those do break on some arches
- so we standardize on -02 and -02 -g
- porters try to help heeding CFLAGS and CXXFLAGS
- we hate build systems without an easy way to specify options
- even compilers change options with hilarious effects



Variation on available stuff

- coding tests on MACHINE_ARCH is an extraordinarily bad idea
- prefer ONLY_FOR_ARCHS and NOT_FOR_ARCHS
- (or eventually BROKEN)
- that way everything is referenced properly



tools

dpb

- gets information through make dump-vars
- should be resilient to errors
- will flag as errors missing information for ports
- removes stuff if marked as not available for this arch
- can even be run on a different architecture for listing

sqlports

- we also run make dump-vars to create a db of everything
- that one errors out if something does not work, possibly a pkgpath



example I

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archivers/arc.USE GMAKE=No

```
===> archivers
   ===> archivers/arc
   archivers/arc.IS_INTERACTIVE=No
   archivers/arc.SUBPACKAGE=-
   archivers/arc.BUILD_PACKAGES= -
   archivers/arc.MULTI_PACKAGES=-
   archivers/arc.DISTFILES=arc-5.21p.tar.gz
   archivers/arc.MASTER_SITES=https://downloads.sourceforge.net/sourceforge/arc/
   archivers/arc.CHECKSUM_FILE=/usr/ports/archivers/arc/distinfo
   archivers/arc.FETCH_MANUALLY=No
10
   archivers/arc.PERMIT_DISTFILES=Yes
11
   archivers/arc.NO_TEST=Yes
12
   archivers/arc.TEST_IS_INTERACTIVE=No
13
   archivers/arc.DISTNAME=arc-5.21p
14
   archivers/arc.HOMEPAGE=http://arc.sourceforge.net/
15
   archivers/arc.MAINTAINER=The OpenBSD ports mailing-list <ports@openbsd.c
16
```

example II

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```
archivers/arc.SEPARATE_BUILD=No
archivers/arc.TARGETS= do-install
archivers/arc.MAKEFILE_LIST=/usr/share/mk/sys.mk Makefile /usr/share/mk/bsd.port.r
archivers/arc.USE_LLD=Yes
archivers/arc.USE_WXNEEDED=No
archivers/arc.COMPILER=base-clang base-gcc gcc3
```

archivers/arc.SUBST_VARS=ARCH BASE_PKGPATH FLAVOR_EXT FULLPKGNAME HOMEPAGE LOCALI archivers/arc.PKGPATHS=archivers/arc archivers/arc.FULLPKGNAME=arc-5.21pp0

archivers/arc.COMPILER LINKS= clang /usr/bin/clang clang++ /usr/bin/clang++

32 archivers/arc.PERMIT_PACKAGE=Yes

archivers/arc.COMPILER_LANGS=c c++

33 archivers/arc.COMMENT=create & extract files from DOS .ARC files

34 archivers/arc.PKGNAME=arc-5.21p

archivers/arc.USE GROFF=No

archivers/arc.USE LIBTOOL=Yes

archivers/arc.NO BUILD=No



example III

```
archivers/arc.PKGSPEC=arc-*
35
   archivers/arc.PKGSTEM=arc
   archivers/arc.PREFIX=/usr/local
37
   archivers/arc.WANTLIB=c
38
   archivers/arc.CATEGORIES=archivers
39
   archivers/arc.DESCR=/usr/ports/archivers/arc/pkg/DESCR
40
   archivers/arc.REVISION=0
41
   archivers/arc.STATIC_PLIST=Yes
42
   archivers/arc.PKG_ARCH=amd64
43
   ===> archivers/blosc
44
   archivers/blosc.BUILD_DEPENDS=devel/cmake devel/ninja
   archivers/blosc.IS INTERACTIVE=No
46
   archivers/blosc.SUBPACKAGE=-
47
   archivers/blosc.BUILD PACKAGES= -
48
   archivers/blosc.MULTI_PACKAGES=-
49
   archivers/blosc.DISTFILES=c-blosc-1.21.1.tar.gz
50
```



naming game

- every location in the ports tree has a unique fullpkgpath
- for instance, archivers/arc or lang/python/3.10,-tests
- there are FLAVORS and MULTI_PACKAGES



Not building

- variations are often specific parts that do not build on an architecture
- we can setup a MULTI_PACKAGES port with that part in a separate SUBPACKAGE
- tests won't work because those subpackages won't be reachable
- ullet so instead we remove stuff: MULTI_PACKAGES o BUILD_PACKAGES



Example I

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```
ONLY_FOR_ARCHS-java =
                                  aarch64 amd64 i386
2
   CATEGORIES =
                                 graphics devel
   COMMENT-main =
                                   library for computer vision real-time processing
                                   Java bindings for OpenCV
   COMMENT-java =
6
                                4.6.0
   V =
   GH ACCOUNT =
                                 opency
   GH_PROJECT =
                                 opency
                                 ${V}
   GH TAGNAME =
10
11
                                   opencv-${V}
12
   PKGNAME-main =
   PKGNAME-java =
                                   opency-java-${V}
13
14
   HOMEPAGE =
                               https://www.opencv.org/
15
16
   MAINTAINER =
                                 Rafael Sadowski <rsadowski@openbsd.org>
```

Example II

```
18
    .for i in opency_calib3d opency_core opency_features2d \
19
      opency_flann opency_highqui opency_imaproc opency_ml opency_objdetect \
20
      opencu_photo opencu_stitching opencu_video opencu_imqcodecs \
21
     opencv_videoio opencv_dnn
22
   SHARED_LIBS += $i 10.0
23
    .endfor
24
25
   WANTLIB-main += ${COMPILER LIBCXX} avcodec avformat avutil OpenEXR-3_1
26
   WANTLIB-main += c cairo gdk-3 gdk_pixbuf-2.0 glib-2.0 gobject-2.0 gstapp-1.0
27
   WANTLIB-main += gstbase-1.0 gstaudio-1.0 gstpbutils-1.0 gstreamer-1.0
28
   WANTLIB-main += gstriff-1.0 gstvideo-1.0 gtk-3 jpeg m openjp2 png swscale tiff
29
   WANTLIB-main += webp z
30
31
   WANTLIB-java += ${COMPILER_LIBCXX} opencv_calib3d opencv_core opencv_dnn
32
   WANTLIB-java += opencv_features2d opencv_flann opencv_imgcodecs
33
   WANTLIB-java += opencv_imgproc opencv_ml opencv_objdetect opencv_photo
34
```

Example III

```
WANTLIB-java += opencv_video opencv_videoio
35
36
   COMPILER =
                                base-clang ports-gcc
37
38
   MULTI_PACKAGES =
                              -main -java
39
   PSEUDO FLAVORS =
                              no_java
   FLAVOR ?=
41
42
    # BSDL
43
   PERMIT_PACKAGE =
                              Yes
45
    MODULES =
                               devel/cmake \
46
                              lang/python
47
48
    BUILD_DEPENDS =
                                      math/eigen3 \
49
                              math/py-numpy${MODPY_FLAVOR}
50
51
```



Example IV

```
math/py-numpy${MODPY_FLAVOR}
    RUN DEPENDS-main =
52
53
                                ${MODJAVA RUN DEPENDS}
    RUN_DEPENDS-java =
54
55
                                ${LIB DEPENDS} \
    LIB DEPENDS-main =
56
                              graphics/ffmpeg \
57
                              graphics/jpeg \
58
                              graphics/libwebp \
59
                              graphics/openexr \
60
                              graphics/openjp2 \
61
                              graphics/png \
62
                              graphics/tiff \
63
                              multimedia/gstreamer1/core \
64
                              multimedia/gstreamer1/plugins-base \
65
                              x11/gtk+3
66
67
                                ${BUILD_PKGPATH},-main=${V}
    LIB_DEPENDS-java =
68
```



Example V

```
69
   # XXX PIE cannot be produced due to problems with inline assembly.
70
   # Since OpenCV is mostly used as a LIBrary, switch to PIC.
71
   .if ${MACHINE_ARCH:Mi386}
   CFLAGS +=
              -fPIC
   CXXFLAGS += -fPIC
75
   .endif
76
   CONFIGURE_ARGS =
                            -DBUILD_DOCS=OFF \
77
                            -DBUILD_EXAMPLES=OFF \
78
                            -DBUILD IPP IW=OFF \
79
                            -DBUILD ITT=OFF \
80
                            -DBUILD PERF TESTS=OFF \
81
                            -DBUILD TESTS=OFF \
                            -DBUILD_opencv_python2=OFF \
83
                            -DINSTALL PYTHON EXAMPLES=OFF \
84
                            -DINSTALL TESTS=OFF \
85
```



Example VI

MODJAVA_VER =

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```
-DOPENCV_SKIP_PYTHON_WARNING=ON \
86
                              -DPYTHON_DEFAULT_EXECUTABLE=${MODPY_BIN} \
87
                              -DWITH_1394=OFF \
88
                              -DWITH_ADE=OFF \
89
                              -DWITH_CUDA=OFF \
90
                              -DWITH_EIGEN=OFF \
91
                              -DWITH_IPP=OFF \
92
                              -DWITH_OPENCL=OFF \
93
                              -DWITH_V4L=ON \
94
                              -DWITH_VTK=OFF \
95
                              -DOPENCY GENERATE PKGCONFIG=ON
96
97
98
    .include <bsd.port.arch.mk>
99
    .if ${BUILD_PACKAGES:M-java}
100
    MODULES +=
                                java
101
```

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Example VII

```
BUILD_DEPENDS +=
                          devel/apache-ant
103
104
   .else
    # Safe: Java will be detected, if present, but won't be used
105
    CONFIGURE_ARGS +=
                            -DBUILD_opencv_java=OFF
106
    .endif
107
108
109
    CONFIG_ADJ_CMD = perl -pi
   . for l v in \${SHARED_LIBS}
110
    CONFIG_ADJ_CMD += -e 's,lib${_1}.so([^.]),lib${_1}.so.${_v}$$1,g;'
111
    .endfor
112
113
    NO TEST =
                    Yes
114
    # Enable to run the regression tests
115
   #TEST IS INTERACTIVE = X11
116
117
   \#CONFIGURE\ ARGS\ +=\ -DDBUILD\ TESTS=ON\ 
118
                            -DBUILD_PERF_TESTS=ON
119
```

Example VIII

```
120
    post-patch:
121
             perl -pi -e 's@^.*(#\s*include)@$$10' \
122
                      $\{\mathbb{WRKSRC}\\/samples/cpp/tutorial_code/core/how_to_scan_images/how_to_
123
124
    post-install:
125
             ${MODPY_BIN} ${MODPY_LIBDIR}/compileall.py ${WRKINST}${MODPY_SITEPKG}
126
127
    do-test:
128
             cd ${WRKBUILD}: \
129
             ${MODPY_BIN} ${WRKSRC}/modules/ts/misc/run.py
130
131
     .include <bsd.port.mk>
132
```

bsd.port.arch.mk

- a part of bsd.port.mk
- if you don't include it yourself, it will be done automatically
- set up BUILD_PACKAGES according to PSEUDO_FLAVORS and arches
- then you test according to BUILD_PACKAGES for configure tests



also properties I

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MONO_ARCHS = aarch64 amd64 i386

```
# architecture constants
2
   ARCH ?!= uname -m
4
   ALL ARCHS = aarch64 alpha amd64 arm arm64 armv7 hppa i386 landisk loongson \
           luna88k m88k macppc mips64 mips64el octeon powerpc64 riscv64 sgi
6
            sh sparc64
7
   # normally only list MACHINE ARCH (uname -p) names in these variables.
   # but not all powerpc have apm(4), hence the use of macppc
   APM_ARCHS = arm64 amd64 i386 loongson macppc sparc64
10
11
   BE_ARCHS = hppa m88k mips64 powerpc powerpc64 sparc64
   LE_ARCHS = aarch64 alpha amd64 arm i386 mips64el riscv64 sh
12
   LP64_ARCHS = aarch64 alpha amd64 mips64 mips64el powerpc64 riscv64 sparc64
13
   GCC4 ARCHS = alpha hppa sh sparc64
14
   GCC3\_ARCHS = m88k
15
   # XXX easier for ports that depend on mono
16
```

also properties II

```
OCAML NATIVE ARCHS = aarch64 amd64 i386
18
   OCAML_NATIVE_DYNLINK_ARCHS = aarch64 amd64 i386
19
   GO_ARCHS = aarch64 amd64 arm armv7 i386 mips64
20
   RUST_ARCHS = aarch64 amd64 i386 powerpc64 riscv64 sparc64
21
22
   # arches where the base compiler is clang
23
   CLANG_ARCHS = aarch64 amd64 arm i386 mips64 mips64el powerpc powerpc64 riscv64
24
    # arches using LLVM's linker (ld.lld); others use binutils' ld.bfd
25
   LLD_ARCHS = aarch64 amd64 arm i386 powerpc powerpc64 riscv64
26
27
    # arches where ports devel/llvm builds - populates llvm ONLY_FOR_ARCHS
28
    # as well as available for PROPERTIES checks.
29
   LLVM_ARCHS = aarch64 amd64 arm i386 mips64 mips64el powerpc powerpc64 riscv64 spar
30
    # arches where ports-qcc >4.9 exists. To be used again for modules
31
   GCC49_ARCHS = aarch64 alpha amd64 arm hppa i386 mips64 mips64el powerpc powerpt64
32
33
   MODGCC4_VERSION?=8
34
```

also properties III

```
# arches where there is a C++11 compiler, either clang in base or ports-gcc
CXX11_ARCHS = ${CLANG_ARCHS} ${GCC49_ARCHS}
DEBUGINFO_ARCHS = aarch64 amd64
```



numbers

- 9700 Makefiles and fragments
- 200 uses of bsd.port.arch.mk
- 90 tests on BUILD_PACKAGES



lazy make to the rescue

```
Stuff like this actually works:

ONLY_FOR_ARCHS-sub = ${RUST_ARCHS}

include <bsd.port.arch.mk>

if ${BUILD_PACKAGES:M-sub}}

...

endif
```



Industrialisation

- we had binary packages in 2000
- dpb dates back from 2010
- dedicated build farms for most architectures
- takes between 24 hours and a few weeks
- regular build stats for everything (thanks landry@)



architecture issues

- intel 64 bits acts as "the bellwether" (most stuff always builds)
- other architectures get fixed depending on needs
- some big stuff is (sometimes) not even built because of practicality



compilers

- this was painful to create but works
- there's a variable COMPILER you can set to choose "the best" compiler
- some systems have gcc3 in base, others have gcc 4.2 and others have clang
- there's also a more modern gcc in ports and an llvm port
- COMPILER is a list of preferred compilers: base-gcc, base-clang, gcc3, ports-gcc, ports-clang
- either it's there, or it's not
- links under WRKDIR/bin will be created



odds and ends

- bootstrapping stuff like go and rust is painful
- we got a mechanism for PSEUDO_FLAVORS to help dpb and preserve bootstrap



location is everything

- lazy make: variable definitions first
- then tests and targets
- but MODULES
- but COMPILER.
- but bsd.port.arch.mk
- very specific location (best of both worlds)



That losing battle

- language support is the #1 problem (modern C++, rust, go)
- 32 bit arches are losing
- we got dpb annotations to help (lonesome) but it's still a problem



Any questions?

