CMT

Configuration Management Tool

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General index

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1 - Presentation

This environment, based on some management conventions and comprising several shell-based utilities, is an attempt to formalize software production and especially configuration management around a *packagePresentation*

- Each package can be uniquely identified within the system or the framework by a *name* which is usually a short *mnemonic* and which may be also used for isolating its name-space (eg. by *prefixing* components of the package by its mnemonic).
- A package installed in this environment may be *exported* to a site where the architecture is reproduced, and as long as the local organisation defined for the package is preserved through the transport, the reconstruction procedure will be preserved. Configuration specifications can be easily provided to cope with machine, site or system specific features.

2 - The conventions

This environment relies on a set of conventions, mainly for organizing the directories where packages are maintained and developed :

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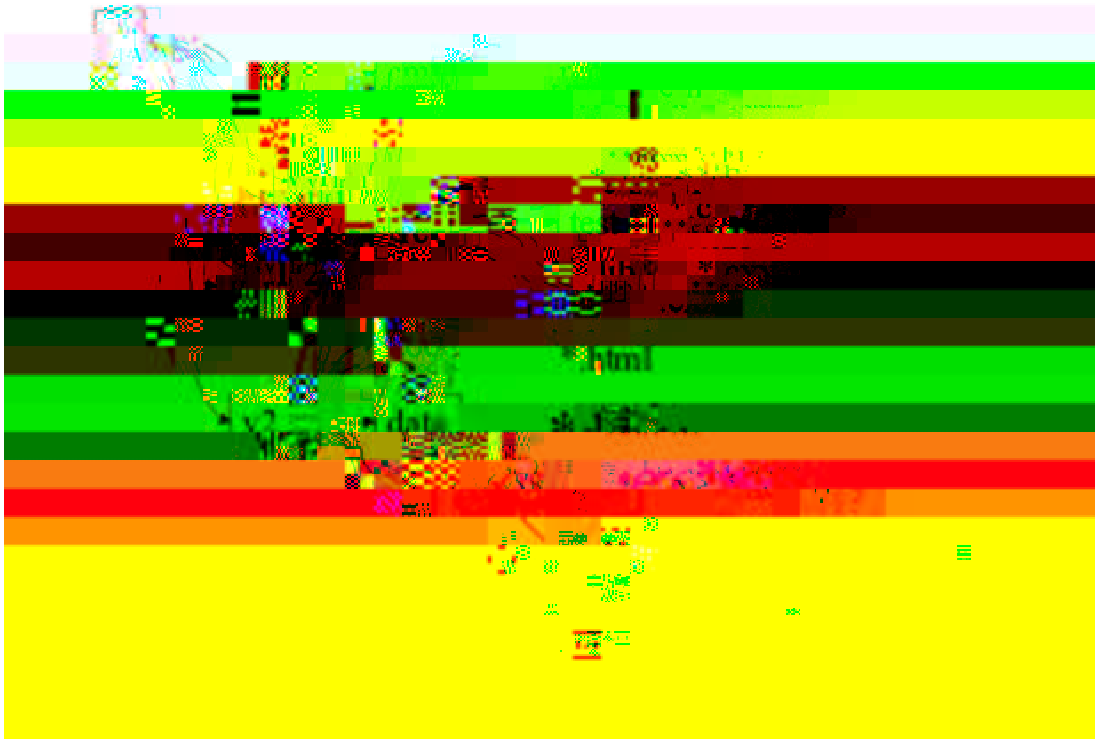

1 - *Structuring a package - A typical example.*

- Organizing a software base.

  A software base is generally composed of multiple coherent sets of packages, each installed in its specific root directory and forming different *package areas*

  There are no constraints on the number of such areas into which CMT packages are installed. We'll see later how the different areas can be declared and identified by

2 - *Structuring a sofware base.*

3 - The architecture of the environment

This environment is based on the fact that one of its packages (named `CMT`) provides the basic management tools. `CMT` , as a package, has very little specificities and as such itself obeys the general conventions. The major asymetry between `CMT` and all other packages is the fact that once `CMT` is installed it implicitly defines one *default* area for storing packages (through the environment variable `CMTROOT`).

Then packages may be installed either in this default root area or in completmfaulyiffernt vrea s access rights).

Therefore, we assume that *some* root directory has been selected by the system manager, and that `CMT` is already installed there. One first has to *setup*

- A similar minimal `NMake`

So far our package is not very useful since no constituent (application or library) is installed yet. You can jump to the section showing how to work on an application or on a library for details on

A typical package of that kind will contain:

- a `../src` directory containing the sources of the package
- a directory for the include files, with a name that will depend on the structuring policies defined for the project. Tyical examples are

  ```
  ../include/
  ../<packagename>/
  ```

- a `../doc` directory for the documentation
- a `../test` directory for the test programs.

The requirements file will generally contain at least `library`

7. 3 - The container or management package

In large projects, it’s often useful to decompose the software base into specialized domains (Core software, Graphics, Database, Online, etc...) or subsets of the software (eg per detector in a physics experiment). Then a container package consists in constructing a simple package with only one requirements file in it and only containing a set of use statements.

Management activities directly related with the associated sub-domain can then be undertaken through this special package:

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10. 1 - Describing a configuration

CMT relies on several complementary conventions or mechanisms for this description and the associated management. All these conventions rely on the concept of *configuration tagsCMT*

tagsCMT

- The current sub-project to which the current package belongs, and the various tags automatically generated by CMT to qualify the strategy options.
- The current hardware understood as filled in the `cmt_hardware` macro
- The current OS understood as filled in the `cmt_system_version` macro
- The version of the C++ compiler understood as filled in the `cmt_compiler_version` macro

3. During a `make` session, each individual target being rebuilt may define its own context,

1. Implicit tags deduced from the current version of CMT
2. Implicit tag obtained from the uname command (note that there is an associated tag defined here)
3. The current value of CMTCONFIG
4. The current value of CMTSITE
5. The strategy tags
6. Automatic detection of the hardware
7. Automatic detection of the current OS
8. Automatic detection of the C++ compiler version
9. A indirectly activated tag (associated with another active tag)

```
------> (constituents.make) Building Foo.make                          [2]
Library Foo
------> (constituents.make) Starting Foo
------> (Foo.make) Rebuilding ../Linux-i686/Foo_dependencies.make         [3]
rebuilding ../Linux-i686/FooA.o
rebuilding ../Linux-i686/FooB.o
rebuilding library
------> Foo : library ok
------> Foo ok
Installing library libFoo.so into /home/arnault/mydev/InstallArea/Linux-i686/lib
installation done                                                    [4]
------> (constituents.make) Foo done
 all ok.
Linux-i686.make ok
gmake[2]: ‘config’ is up to date.
gmake[2]: ‘all’ is up to date.
```

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11. 2 - Working on an application

Assume we now want to add a test program to our development. Then we create a `FooTest.cxx` source, and generate the associated makefile (specifying that it will be an executable instead of a library) :

```
csh> cd ../src
csh> emacs FooTest.cxx
...
csh> cd ../cmt
csh> vi requirements
...
application FooTest FooTest.cxx
```

So that we may simply build the complete stuff by running :

```
> cmt make QUIET=1
------> (Makefile.header) Rebuilding constituents.make
------> (constituents.make) Rebuilding setup.make Linux-i686.make
setup.make ok
------> (constituents.make) Rebuilding library links
------> (constituents.make) all done
------> (constituents.make) Building Foo.make
Library Foo
------> (constituents.make) Starting Foo
------> Foo : library ok
------> Foo ok
installation done
------> (constituents.make) Foo done
------> (constituents.make) Building FooTest.make
Application FooTest
------> (constituents.make) Starting FooTest
------> (FooTest.make) Rebuilding ../Linux-i686/FooTest_dependencies.make
rebuilding ../Linux-i686/FooTest.o
rebuilding ../Linux-i686/FooTest.exe
------> FooTest ok
Installing application FooTest.exe into /home/arnault/mydev/InstallArea/Linux-i686/bin
installation done
------> (constituents.make) FooTest done
 all ok.
Linux-i686.make ok
gmake[2]: ‘config’ is up to date.
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```

It is also possible to select extra tag sets when running gmake as follows (in this example we first cleanup the previous build and rebuild with debug options added to the compiler and

```
csh> cd .....
csh> cmt create MyProject v1 /ProjectB
```

Then the `requirements` file of this new package will simply contain a set of `use` statements, defining the *official* set of validated versions of the packages required for the project. This mechanism also represents the notion of *global release*

In this section we only discuss the latter category and the following paragraphs explain the framework used for defining new document types.

The main concept of this framework is that each document to be generated or manipulated must be associated with a "document-type" (also sometimes hTj .llowb9wyle"), whichd must

```
document tex MyDoc -s=../doc doc1.tex doc2.tex
```

where:

1. The first parameter "tex" is the document-style
2. The second parameter "MyDoc" is used for building the constituent’s makefile (under the name MyDoc.make) and for providing the make target "MyDoc".
3. The other parameters (doc1.tex and doc2.tex) are the sources of the document. Explicit location is required (since default is currently defined to be ../src)
4. The constituent’s makefile MyDoc.make is built as follows :
    1. Install a copy of the `$CMTROOT/fragments/make_header` generic fragment
    2. Install a copy of the `$CMTROOT/fragments/tex_header` fragment
    3. For each of the sources, install a copy of the fragment "tex"
    4. Install a copy of the `$CMTROOT/fragments/cleanup_header` fragment

The result for our example is:

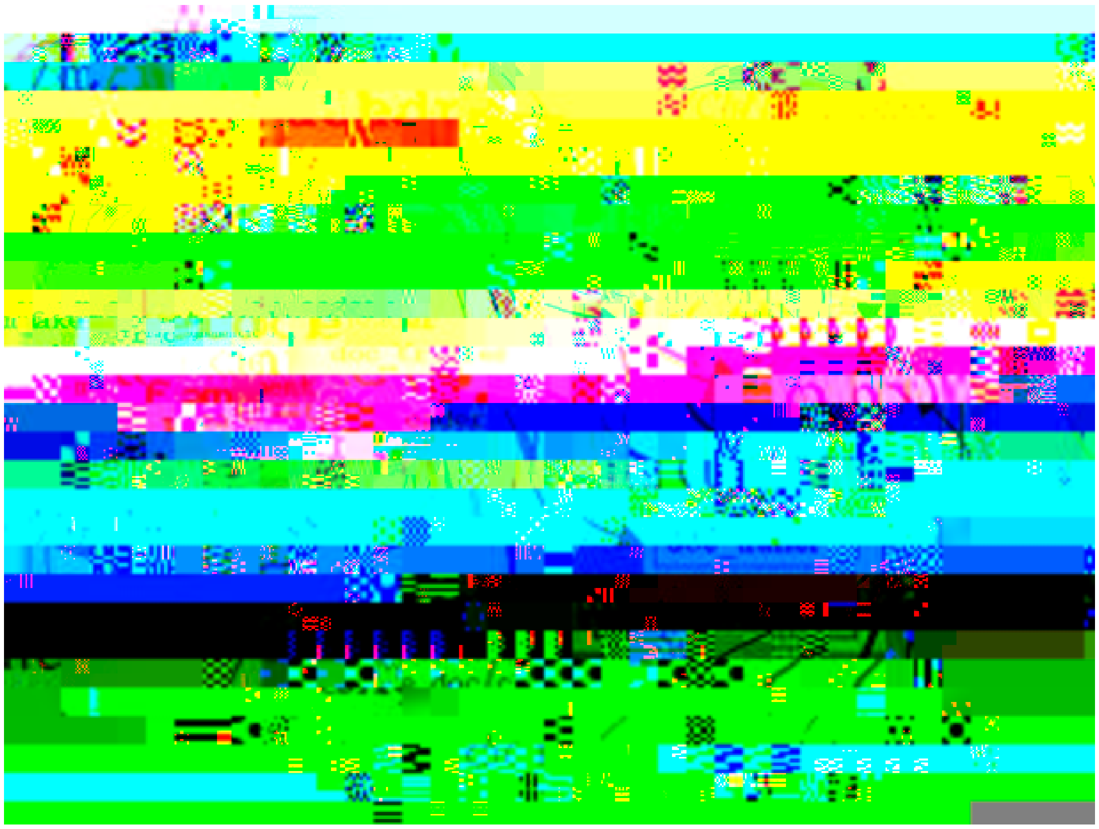
```
=========== MyDoc.make ===============================

#====================================
#  Document MyDoc
#
#   Generated   by
#
#====================================

help ::
@echo ’MyDoc’

doc1_dependenc  by
#:9= tex
#:9= tex
```

For building a fragment, one may use pre-defined generic "templates" (which will be substituted when a fragment is copied into the final constituent’s



3 - *The architecture of document generation.*

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12. 3 - Examples

1. rootcint

   It generates C++ hubs for the Cint interpreter in Root.

```
========= rootcint ==========================================
$(src)${NAME}.cc :: ${FULLNAME}
        ${rootcint} -f $(src)${NAME}.cc -c ${FULLNAME}
============================================================
```

2. agetocxx and agetocxx_header.

   It generates C++ source files (xxx.g files) from Atlas’ AGE description files.

```
========= agetocxx ========================================
output=$(${CONSTITUENT}_output)

$(output)${NAME}.cxx : $(${NAME}_cxx_dependencies)
        (echo '#line 1 "${FULLNAME}"'; cat ${FULLNAME}) > /tmp/${NAME}.gh.c
```

Applications and libraries are assigned a name (which will correspond to a generated

1.

The sources of the constituents are generally specified as a set of file names with their suffixes, and are by default expected from the `../src` directory

```
library A A.cxx B.cxx
```

Then it is possible to change the default search location as well as to use a simplified wildcarding syntax:

```
library A -s=A *.cxx -s=B *.cxx
```

- `-s=A` means that next source files should be taken searched from `../src/A`
- `-s=B` means that next source files should be taken searched from `../src/B` . Note that this new specification is *not* relative to the previous `-s=A` but relative to the default search path `../src`
- `*.cxx` indicates that all files with a `.cxx` suffix in the current search path should be considered

   source `FooA.doc` into an html file.
3. The user defined template variable named `output` is specified and assigned the value `FooA.html` . If the fragment `doc_to_html` contains the string `${output}` , then it will be substituted to this value.

4.

For any constituent that has the

in the context of the `Foo` package would rebuild *objy* related or *graphics* related constituents.

```
macro f90               "f90"
...
macro f90comp           "$(f90) -c $(fincludes) $(fflags) $(pp_fflags)"
```

```
symbol          :   symbol-type symbol-name default-value [  tag-expr value  ...   ]
symbol-type     :   definition
                |   modification
definition      :   macro
                |   set
                |   path
                |   action
                |   alias
modification    :   macro_prepend
                |   macro_append
                |   macro_remove
                |   macro_remove_regexp
                |   macro_remove_all
                |   macro_remove_all_regexp
                |   set_prepend
                |   set_append
                |   set_remove
                |   set_remove_regexp
                |   path_prepend
                |   path_append
                |   path_remove
                |   path_remove_regexp
tag-expr        :   tag [  & tag  ...   ]
```

- The symbol-name identifies the symbol.
- Values are generally quoted strings (using either simple or double quotes). They may be unquoted only if they are composed of one single non-empty word, since the general syntax parsing relies on space separated words.
- The default-value is mandatory (although it can be an empty string) optionally followed by a set of tag/value pairs, each representing an alternate value for this symbol.

```
library A ...
action B ...
macro A_dependencies " B "
```

In this example when doing `gmake A` (or simply `gmake`), the action `B` will be executed first.

```
----------------
package A

use B v1
use D v1
----------------

----------------
package B

private
use C v1
use D v1
----------------
```

- all operations done in the context of package B will *see* both packages C and D
- all operations done in the context of package A will *see* both packages B and D,

`package`	the name of the current package
`PACKAGE`	

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oth possible to give values to parameters. Ter efore it is oth recommended to

There are basically three categories of such fragments :

1. some are provided by `CMT` itself (they correspond to its internal behaviour)
2. others handle the language support
3. and the last serve as specialized document generators.

The fragments defined in

However, the `cmt broadcast` and `cmt show uses` commands are configured to always ignore the private specification and therefore will always traverse the sub-trees whether they are public or private (in order to ensure the hierarchy dependencies)

2. This construct declares that the tags `Foo` , `FooA` and `FooB` will become active if `Bar` becomes active. Note that this statement implicitly *declares* `FooA` and `FooB`

run_sequence <sequence file> : execute a cmt equence file

- `dependencies`

  This command is internally (and transparently) used by `CMT` from the constituent specific fragment, and when the make command is run, to generate a fragment

The prototype header files (named <file-name>.ph) will contain prototype definitions for every global entry point defined in the corresponding C source file.

The effective activation of this feature is controled by the build strategy of `CMT` . The build strategy may be freely and globally overridden from any requirements file, using the `build_strategy` cmt statement, providing either the "prototypes" or the "no_prototypes" values.

In addition, any constituent may locally override this strategy using the "-prototypes" or "-no_prototypes" modifiers.

- `readme`

  This command generates a README.html file into the cmt branch of the referenced package. This html file will include

In the first mode (ie. without the *area* argument) the package will be created in the default path.

The second mode explicitly provides an alternate path.

A minimal configuration is installed for this new package:

The following examples will explain some of the mechanisms.

We consider `A` containing:

```
A$(P1)B$(P2)C
```

And `B` containing:

```
i<cmts:A P1=’j’ P2=’${P2}’/>k
```

13. 3.12 - cmt help | --help

This command shows the list of options of the `cmt` driver.

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13. 3.13 - cmt lock [<package> <version> [<area>]

This may be combined with the global options `-pack=`*`package`* , `-version=`*`version`* , `-path=`*`access-path`* , to give a direct access to any package context.

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13. 3.17 - cmt set version <version>

This command creates and/or fills in the `version.cmt` file for a package structured without the version directory.

This command has no effect when run in the context of a package structured *with* the version directory

This command must be run while being in the context of one CMT package.

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13. 3.18 - cmt set versions

This command applies recursively the `cmt set version ...` command onto all used packages using a broadcast operation.

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This command displays all packages that express an explicit **use** statement onto the specified package. If no version is specified on the argument list, then all uses of that package are displayed.

Note that the search on clients is *not* performed recusively. Thus only clients explicitly using the specified package will be displayed.

- `constituent_names`
- `constituents`
- `cycles`

  This command displays all cycles in the use graph of the current package. Although CMT smoothly accepts such cycles, it is generally a bad practice to have cycles in a use graph, because CMT can never decide on the prefered entry point in the cycle, leading to somewhat unpredictable results, eg in constructing the `use_linkopts`

- `macro_value <name>`
  `set_value <name>`
  `action_value <name>`

  This set of commands displays the raw value assigned to the symbol (macro, set or action) specified as the additional argument. It only presents the final result of the assignment operations performed by used packages.

  By adding a `-tag=<tag>` option to this command, it is possible to simulate the behaviour of this command in another context, without actually going to a machine or an operating system where this configuration is defined.

  The typical usage of the `show macro_value` command is to get at the shell level (rather than within a `Makefile`) the value of a macro definition, providing means of accessing them (quite similarly to an environment variable) :

  ```
  csh> set compiler=‘cmt show macro_value cppcomp‘
  csh> ${compiler} ....
  ```

- `macros`
  `sets`
  `actions`

  This set of commands extracts from the `requirements` file(s) the complete set of symbol (macro, set or action) definitions, selects the appropriate *tag* definition (or uses the one provided in the `-tag=<tag>`

This commanS 11nisplays the version tag of the currept package.

```
build_strategy prototypes
build_strategy no_prototypes
```

- provide a *nickname* for this external package,
- adapt the version tag convention consistently to the project, hiding the version tag specificities of eg. commercial packages.
- provide compiler options using the the standard make macros `<package>_cflags` , `<package>_cppflags` or `<package>_fflags` ,
- specify a set of search paths for the include files, using the `include_dirs` statement,
- provide linker options using the the standard make macros `<package>_linkopts`

Let’s consider the example of the `OPACS` package. This package is provided outside of the `CMT` environment. Providing a directory tree following the `CMT` conventions (ie. a branch named after

0 Td (concmt/R139 11 Tf 19.8 0 Td (convch nam)139 11 f 1afterT5 6657.468.4Td (sta ET O 957.6 w 3087 0 6 Td57.38 0 0 6 Td5l S0

```
${CMTROOT}/mgr/cmt_install_action.sh
${CMTROOT}/mgr/cmt_uninstall_action.sh
${CMTROOT}/mgr/cmt_install_action.bat
${CMTROOT}/mgr/cmt_uninstall_action.bat
```

17. 1 - Installing CMT on your Unix site

The very first operation after dowloading CMT consists in running the INSTALL shell script. This will build the setup scripts required by any CMT user.

Then you may either decide to build CMT by yourself or fetch a pre-built binary from the same Web location. The prebuilt binary versions may not exist for the actual platform you are working on. You will see on the distribution page the precise configurations used for building those binaries.

In case you have to build CMT yourself, you need a C++ compiler capable of handling

17. 2 - Installing CMT on a Windows or Windows NT site

You first have to fetch the distribution kit from the Web at ___________________

These targets have to be specified as follows :

```
sh> gmake clean
sh> gmake Foo
```

18. 3 - Standard macros predefined in CMT

18. 3. 1 - CMT static macros

These macros provide static data about CMT itself. They cannot be modified by the user.

macro	*usage*	*default value*
`CMTrelease`	CMTreleaseS 6 w 3 0 1781 5809m BT781 5591.53 Tf T781 5591.53 BT013 5591.53 Tf 39ic 17 5809m B39i	

18. 3. 3 - Language related macros

These macros are purely conventional. They are expected in the various make fragments available from CMT itself for providing the various building actions.

During the mechanism of new language declaration and definition available in theCMT syntax, developers are expected to define similar conventions for corresponding actions.

Their default values are originally defined inside the requirements

macro	*usage*
`<`*`package`*`>_cflags`	specific C flags
`<`*`package`*`>_pp_cflags`	specific C preprocessor flags
`<`*`package`*`>_cppflags`	specific C++ flags
`<`*`package`*`>_pp_cppflags`	specific C++ preprocessor flags
`<`*`package`*`>_fflags`	specific Fortran flags
`<`*`package`*`>_pp_fflags`	specific Fortran preprocessor flags
`<`*`package`*`>_libraries`	gives the (space separated) list of library names exported by this package. This list is typically used in the `cmt build library_links` command.
`<`*`package`*`>_linkopts`	provide the linker options required by any application willing to access the different libraries offered by the package. This may include support for several libraries per package. A typical example of how to define such a macro could be : `macro Cm_linkopts "-L$(CMROOT)/$(Cm_tag) -lCm -lm"`
`<`*`package`*`>_stamps`	may contain a list of *stamp* file names (or make targets). Whenever a library is modified, one dedicated stamp file is re-created, simply to mark the reconstruction date. The name of this stamp file is conventionally `<`*`library`*` >.stamp` . Thus, a typical definition for this macro could be : `macro Cm_stamps "$(Cm_root)/$(Cm_tag)/Cm.stamp"` Then, these stamp file references are accumulated into the standard macro named `use_stamps` which is always installed within the dependency list for applications, so that whs). Whe.cato nae4e ibraries

macro	*usage*
`<`*`package`*` >_native_version`	specifies the native version of the external package referenced by this *interface* package. When this macro is provided, its value is displayed by the `cmt show uses` command
`<`*`package`*` >_export_paths`	specifies the list of files or directories that should be exported during the deployment process for this package. Generally this is only useful for glue packages refering to external software
`<`*`package`*` >_home`	specifies the base location for external software described in glue packages. This macro is generally used to specify the previous one

18. 3. 5 - Constituent specific customizing macros

These macros do not receive any default values (ie they are empty by default). They are meant to provide for each constituent, specific variants to the corresponding generic language related macros.

By convention, they are all prefixed by the constituent name. But macros used for defining compiler options are in addition prefixed by the constituent type (either `lib_` , `app_` or `doc_`).

They are used in the various make fragments for fine customization of the build command

`<`*`PACKAGE`*` >ROOT`	The access path of the package (including the version branch)
`<`*`package`*` >_root`	The access path of the package (including the version branch). This macro is very similar to the `<`*`PACKAGE`*` >ROOT` macro except that it tries to use a relative path instead of an absolute one.
`<`*`PACKAGE`*` >VERSION`	[illegible])Tjaccess parea where(The curr

18. 3. 9 - Utility macros

These macros are used to specify the behaviour of various actions in CMT.

macro	*usage*	*default on Unix*
`X11_cflags`	[illegible]	

```
make_hosts
```

PACKAGEPATH

`<constituent>.make`	application or library specific make fragment	1. make_header 2. java_header | jar_header | library_header | application_header 3. protos_header 4. buildproto 5. jar | library | library_no_share | application 6. dependencies 7. <language> | <language>_library | java 8. cleanup_header 9. cleanup 10. cleanup_application 11. cleanup_objects 12. cleanup_java 13. cleanup_library 14. check_application
`<constituent>.make`	document specific make fragment	1. make_header 2. document_header 3. dependencies 4. <document> 5. <document-trailer> 6. cleanup_header

`<package>.dsw`m70 Td9Td (5.)Tj 13.75 0 Td (make_h /Rr)Tj -13.75 -14.2 Td (2.)Tj 13.75 0 Td (documen/Rra

3. depende/Rrall_

    4. <docume/Rrall_

        4. <docume/Rr

            6. cleanue/Rrr>

                4. <langudsprallR141 11 Tf -241.678 -50.64995Td (ackagtuent)Tj /RTj /p139 11 Tf 85.8 /1Tj 2 1

                3. documen/p_tuet /R-13.75 -14.2 Td (4.)Tj 13.75 0 Td (depende/prr>)Tj 13.7511 Tf -24

                2.

                    4.

                        4.

application : application *application-name* [*constituent-option* ...]

[*source*

cmtpath_pattern	:	cmtpath_pattern *cmt-statement*
		[;

18. 9 - The internal mechanism of cmt cvs operations

Generally, CVS does not handle queries upon the repository (such as knowing all installed modules, all tags of the modules etc..). Various tools such as CVSWeb, LXR etc. provide very powerful answers to this question, but all through a Web browser.

`CMT` provides a hook that can be installed within a CVS repository, based on a helper script that will be activated upon a particular CVS command, and that is able to perform some level of scan within this repository and return filtered information.

More precisely, this helper script (found in `${CMTROOT}/mgr/cmt_buildcvsinfos2.sh`) is meant to be declared within the `loginfo` management file (see the CVS manual for more details) as one entry named `.cmtcvsinfos` , able to launch the helper script. This installation can be operated at once using the following sequence:

```
sh> cd ${CMTROOT}/mgr
sh> gmake installcvs
```

This mechanism is thus fully compatible with standard remote access to the repository.

Once the helper script is installed, the mechanism operates as follows (this actually describes the algorithms installed in the `CvsImplementation::show_cvs_infos` method available in `cmt_cvs.cxx` and is transparently run when one uses the `cmt cvs`*`xxx`*` commands`):

1. Find a location for working with temporary files. This is generally deduced from the `${TMPDIR}` environment variable or in `/tmp` (or in the current directory if none of these methods apply).
2. There, install a directory named `cmtcvs/<`*`unique-name`*` >/.cmtcvsinfos`
3. Then, from this directory, try to run a fake import command built as follows:

   ```
   cvs -Q import -m cmt .cmtcvsinfos/<package-name> CMT v1
   ```

   Obviously this command is fake, since no file exist in the temporary directory we have just created. However,

4. This action actually triggers the `cmt_buildcvsinfos2.sh` script, which simply receives in its argument the module name onto which we need information. This information is obtained by scanning the files into the repository, and an answer is built with the following syntax:

   ```
   [error=error-text]            (1)
   tags=tag ...                  (2)
   branches=branch ...           (3)
   subpackages=sub-package ...   (4)
   ```

2.

4. The list of subpackages (ie subdirectories containing a requirements files)

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package