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1.0 DOCUMENT SCOPE

This document describes in detail, the steps needed to setup, build, load, and run the core Flight System (cFS) developed by NASA. These steps assume use of the “GSFC Classic Build” system. There is an appendix to this document that includes information on how to setup and build the cFS using the CMake build system.

2.0 OVERVIEW

The core Flight System (cFS) is made up of the following components:

- cFE (core Flight Executive)
- OSAL (Operating System Abstraction Layer)
- CFS_PSP (Platform Support Package, a.k.a. PSP)
- cFS Applications

This document will provide the details needed to integrate all four components and also describe how to build and run on the supported platforms.

2.1 CFS COMPATIBILITY CHART

GSFC Classic Build	cFE	PSP	OSAL	cFS Apps
N/A	4.2.1	use arch delivered w/cFE	2.9	1.x
N/A	5.0.x	use arch delivered w/cFE	2.10	1.x
1.0	5.1.x	use arch delivered w/cFE	2.11	1.x
1.1	5.2.x	use arch delivered w/cFE	2.12	1.x
2.0	6.0.x	1.0	3.0	2.0+
2.0	6.1.x	1.1	3.3+	2.0+
2.0	6.2.x	1.1	3.5+	2.0+
2.0	6.3.x	1.1	3.5+	2.0+
3.0.x	6.4.x	1.2	4.1.1+	2.0+
6.5.0	6.5.0	1.3	4.2.0	2.0+

3.0 INTEGRATE THE CFS COMPONENTS

To build and run the cFS, the four components mentioned in section 2.0 need to be integrated into the cFS mission tree (a.k.a. the mission template). The mission tree is a directory tree that contains makefiles, documentation and placeholder directories for the four components.

The open-source release of the cFE contains the cFE and the PSP, both integrated into the mission tree. See the readme file delivered with the open-source release for more detail.

Integrating each of the four cFS components is done in a similar way. Place a copy of the component in the recommended directory (or elsewhere on your file system) and set the corresponding environment variable to its location.

3.1 THE CFS MISSION TREE

The mission tree provides the framework for integrating the four cFS components. Figure 3.1 shows the main directories of the mission tree.

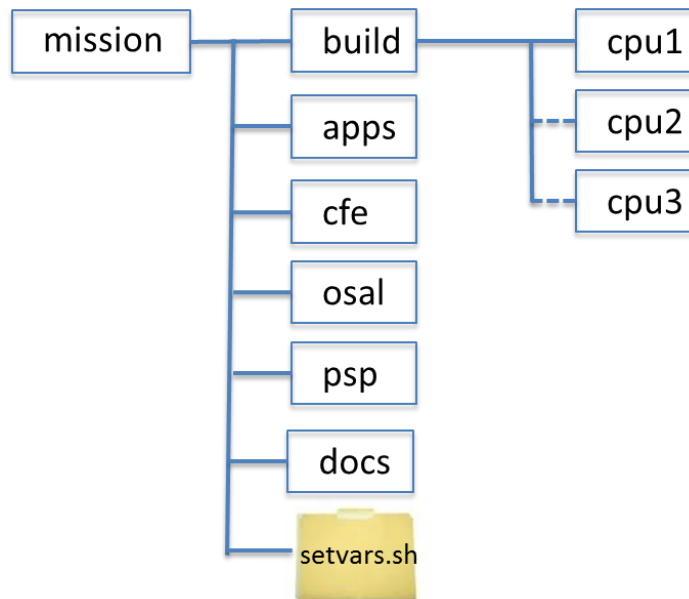


Figure 3.1 The top level directories of the mission tree

The top level “mission” directory is typically renamed to match the project name.

The build directory contains a subdirectory for each build platform. The default setup contains one build platform, cpu1, for a pc-linux environment. This directory contains makefiles, configuration files and the cFE startup script (mentioned later). The cpu1 directory can be copied for other CPU configurations i.e. cpu2 and cpu3 as shown in Figure 3.1. The configuration files will need to be modified accordingly for the target platform.

The cpux directory names are typically renamed to specify the target platform. A typical flight project may have three build platforms such as COTS, ETU and FLIGHT.

The setvars.sh file contains the following environment variables to define the location of each of the four components:

```

export CFS_MISSION=`pwd`
export APP_DIR=$CFS_MISSION/apps
export CFE_DIR=$CFS_MISSION/cfe
export OSAL_DIR=$CFS_MISSION/osal
export PSP_DIR=$CFS_MISSION/psp
  
```

The app, cfe, osal and psp directories are intended to hold the directory tree of each component. It is recommended (but not required) for new projects to follow this directory structure. If one of the components is located elsewhere on the file system, the setvars.sh file must specify the location.

3.2 SPECIFY THE BUILD PLATFORM

To specify the build platform follow these steps:

3.2.1 Select Target

Select the target platform by editing the mission/build/cpux/cfe/cfe-config.mak. The target platform is selected by choosing a supported CFE_PSP and OS. There are four platforms supported by cFS. They are PC-Linux, MCP750/vxWorks6.4, Rad750/vxWorks6.4 and MCF5235/RTEMS. Refer to the file comments for more detail.

3.2.2 Specify cFE File Extension

Specify the extension for the cFE core executable file by editing the \$CFS_MISSION/build/cpux/Makefile. Set the extension to “bin” for Linux and “o” for vxWorks.

```
CFE_CORE_EXE_TYPE:=bin
```

3.2.3 Specify App File Extension

Specify the extension for the application object files by editing the \$CFS_MISSION/build/cpux/Makefile. Set the extension to “so” for Linux and “o” for vxWorks.

```
CFS_APP_EXE_TYPE:=so
```

3.3 INTEGRATE THE CFE

To integrate the cFE into the mission template, the entire cfe-project directory tree can be placed in the mission template (\$CFS_MISSION/cfe) directory or another location on the file system. Set the CFE_DIR variable in the setvars.sh file to the top directory in the cFE tree. If the recommended directory is used, set the variable to:

```
export CFE_DIR=$CFS_MISSION/cfe
```

The following file copy steps are performed later by the “make config” step. There is no need to do this manually. They are shown here because they are needed to integrate the cFE.

```
cd $CFE_DIR (defined in previous step)
cp fsw/cfe-core/src/inc/cfe_es_perfid.h $CFS_MISSION/build/mission_inc
cp fsw/mission_inc/cfe_mission_cfg.h $CFS_MISSION/build/mission_inc
cp fsw/platform_inc/cpux/cfe_msgids.h $CFS_MISSION/build/cpux/inc
cp fsw/platform_inc/cpux/cfe_platform_cfg.h $CFS_MISSION/build/cpux/inc
```

3.3.1 Removing CFE Table Services

It is possible to build the CFE without including Table Services. This is only applicable if the mission does not intend to use any cFS applications that require CFE type table services, or the mission intends to provide custom table services. If CFE Table Services are removed, the CFE makefile will no longer try to make the Table Services application and the link makefile will no

longer include the Table Services object module in the CFE-CORE. Even if excluded from the build, the Table Services source and header files will remain in the CFE source tree.

The environment variable `EXCLUDE_CFE_TBL` in the `setvars.sh` file controls whether, or not, the CFE Table Services application is included in the CFE-CORE. The value of `EXCLUDE_CFE_TBL` must be set equal to `TRUE` to cause Table Services to be excluded from the CFE-CORE. Any definition of `EXCLUDE_CFE_TBL` that does not set the value equal to `TRUE` (or no definition at all) will result in the inclusion of Table Services. The default `setvars.sh` file contains the line `"# EXCLUDE_CFE_TBL=TRUE"`, but note that the `"#"` symbol marks this line as a comment. Simply remove the `"#"` symbol to enable the definition that excludes CFE Table Services.

Removing Table Services reduces the size of the CFE-CORE load file and also reduces the amount of RAM memory required to load the cFE. Each development environment will have unique savings. The numbers from a test performed using an MCP-750 platform with a GCC compiler are provided here for reference:

Size of cFE binary load file with Table Services: 830,969
Size of cFE binary load file w/o Table services: 721,466

Amount of available RAM after loading cFE with Table Services: 76,513,488
Amount of available RAM after loading cFE w/o Table Services: 77,151,984

3.4 INTEGRATE THE OSAL

To integrate the OSAL into the mission template, place the entire OSAL directory on the file system and specify the location in the `setvars.sh` file. The entire OSAL directory tree can be placed in the mission template (`$CFS_MISSION/osal`) directory or any other location on the file system. Set the `OSAL_DIR` variable in the `setvars.sh` file to the top directory in the OSAL tree. If the mission template directory is used, set the variable to

```
export OSAL_DIR=$CFS_MISSION/osal
```

The copy command shown below is performed later by the “make config” step. There is no need to do this manually. It is shown here because it is needed to integrate the OSAL.

```
cd $OSAL_DIR (defined in previous step)
cp build/inc/osconfig.h $CFS_MISSION/build/cpux/inc
```

3.5 INTEGRATE THE PSP

To integrate the CFE_PSP (cFE Platform Support Package) into the mission template, the entire `cfe_psp` directory tree can be placed in the mission template (`$CFS_MISSION/psp`) directory or any other location on the filesystem. Set the `PSP_DIR` variable in the `setvars.sh` file to the top directory in the `cfe_psp` tree. If the mission template directory is used, set the variable to:

```
export PSP_DIR=$CFS_MISSION/psp
```


3.6 BUILD THE CFE, OSAL AND PSP

Although it is not necessary, it is possible to build the cFE, OSAL and PSP before integrating applications.

Go to the top directory in the mission template (where the setvars.sh file is located).

Run the setvars script:

```
[... mission]$source setvars.sh
```

cd into the \$CFS_MISSION/build/cpux directory:

```
[... mission]$ cd $CFS_MISSION/build/cpux
```

Type 'make clean' at the prompt:

```
[... cpux]$ make clean
```

To let the make process copy the cFE and OSAL configuration files, type 'make config' at the prompt. Typically this step is needed only one time, just prior to building the code the first time.

```
[... cpux]$ make config
```

Use 'make distclean' to undo the 'make config' steps.

If necessary, adjust the cFE and OSAL configuration files in the /mission/build area. For location and filename details, see the earlier steps to integrate the cFE and OSAL.

Type 'make' at the prompt:

```
[... cpux]$ make
```

Verify that the cfe-core executable file is present in the \$CFS_MISSION/build/cpux/exe directory. For vxworks, the cfe-core executable is cfe-core.o. For linux, the executable is core-linux.bin.

3.7 INTEGRATE THE APPLICATIONS

All applications running on the cFE middleware must have the following directory structure. Directories shaded in grey are optional.

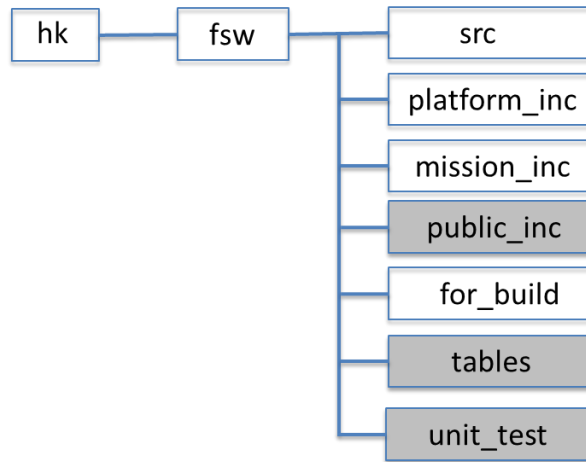


Figure 3.7 Mission Tree application directory structure

The src directory contains all c files and private header files for the app.

The platform_inc directory contains header files that may be tailored by the mission and have the scope of a single cpu. This would include the msgids.h file and the platform configuration file.

The mission_inc directory contains header files that may be tailored by the mission and will be the same across all cpus. This would include a mission configuration file if applicable.

The public_inc directory contains header files that may be accessed by other applications and have the scope of a single cpu. This would include files that may define structures, constants or function prototypes that are needed by other applications on the same cpu. For example, the cfs_lib app contains a header file named cfs_utils.h in its public_inc directory.

The for_build directory contains the low level makefile needed to build the app. It must follow a specific format. Use an existing cFS makefile as a template. This file will be copied to the mission/build area. If the application uses tables, a table makefile is also contained in this directory and must be copied to the mission/build area.

The unit_test directory will contain all the files needed to run the unit test as well as files that show the results of running the unit test. This would include a makefile, driver files, output files and a gcov file for each c file.

The tables directory must contain the source files for the application's default table definitions. If the application does not have any tables, this directory will not exist.

To integrate a cFS Application into the mission template, follow the steps below.

3.7.1 Place Application In \$APP_DIR

Copy the entire application directory tree to the directory specified by \$APP_DIR in the setvars.sh. By default, the APP_DIR is set to \$CFS_MISSION/apps.

3.7.2 Add Application Name To Makefile

Add the name of the application to the THE_APPS environment variable in the Makefile located in the \$CFS_MISSION/build/cpux directory.

NOTE: The application name to specify here is the top level directory name of the application.

For example:

```
THE_APPS:= hk
```

Multiple applications must be separated by a space.

3.7.3 Add Table Name(s) To Makefile

If the applications has table source files that need to be converted to loadable table files, add the application name to the THE_TBLS environment variable in the Makefile located in the \$CFS_MISSION/build/cpux directory.

NOTE: The application name to specify here is the top level directory name of the application.

For example:

```
THE_TBLS:= hk
```

Application names must be separated by a space.

3.7.4 Add Application to Startup Script

Edit the cfe_es_startup.scr (located in \$CFS_MISSION/build/cpux/exe) to include the applications that need to be started after the cFE initializes. Be sure the filenames listed in each entry have the correct extension (.o for vxworks, .so for pc-linux). Also add an entry for each application library (such as cfs_lib) that needs to be loaded. See the comments in the file for more detail.

NOTE: This completes the steps needed to integrate an application. It is no longer necessary to manually copy the application files or make the application directories in the build area. This is done by the 'make config' step mentioned later. The steps executed by the 'make config' step are listed here just to give insight into the make process.

The 'make config' command will copy the application header files.

```
cp $APP_DIR/hk/fsw/mission_inc/*.h $CFS_MISSION_INC
cp $APP_DIR/hk/fsw/platform_inc/*.h $CFS_MISSION/build/cpux/inc
cp $APP_DIR/hk/fsw/public_inc/*.h $APP_DIR/inc
```

The 'make config' command will create the application directory in the build area.

```
[/mission/build/cpux]$mkdir hk
```

The 'make config' command will copy the application makefiles from the APP_DIR area to the new directory in the build area.

```
cp $APP_DIR/hk/fsw/for_build/Makefile $CFS_MISSION/build/cpux/hk
cp $APP_DIR/hk/fsw/for_build/hktables.mak $CFS_MISSION/build/cpux/hk
```

4.0 BUILD THE SYSTEM

This sections describes how to build the entire system which includes the applications, cFE, OSAL and PSP. Prior to building any of the supplied CFS or cFE applications, the user should check for any specific instructions required for building that application. These instructions can be found under the <appname>/docs directory.

NOTE: If errors occur during the make process, check the following:

- Be sure the environment variables in the mission/build/cpux/cfe/cfe-config.mak are set.
- Be sure the environment variables in the mission/setvars.sh are properly set.
- Be sure the \$PATH to the compiler is set.
(Typically gcc for desktop runs and ccppc for vxworks runs)

Add Application Name

4.1 MAKE CLEAN

Type 'make clean' in the \$CFS_MISSION/build/cpux directory to remove object and executable files from the \$CFS_MISSION/build/cpux/exe directory:

```
[/mission/build/cpux]$ make clean
```

4.2 MAKE CONFIG

To perform the file-copy steps (mentioned earlier) for the application header files and the cFE header and configuration files type 'make config' in the \$CFS_MISSION/build/cpux directory:

```
[/mission/build/cpux]$ make config
```

NOTE: To undo the 'make config' steps, type 'make distclean' or 'make realclean'. This will delete the files that were copied by the 'make config' command and remove the directories that were created.

NOTE: If changes to configuration files in the /mission/build area have been made, this command may overwrite those changes with the original files from /mission/cfe/fsw area.

4.3 MAKE

To build the system, including the cFE, OSAL, PSP and all the applications type 'make' in the \$CFS_MISSION/build/cpux directory:

```
[/mission/build/cpux]$ make
```

NOTE: The make command copies the cfe_es_startup.scr file, the object files and the loadable table files to the directory specified by environment variable CFS_PROM_APPS defined in the /mission/build/cpu1/Makefile.

5.0 START THE SYSTEM

The cFE requires a Non-Volatile disk volume (EEPROM, Flash, or Hard disk) and a Volatile (RAM) disk to operate. The Non-Volatile disk is used to store the cFE Application Startup file, cFS Applications, and Table images. The Volatile disk is used to store runtime logs, data files, and new cFS Applications and Tables. Because the cFE runs on many different platforms, it must be able to deal with different file system types and different paths. The cFE accomplishes this by using a file system abstraction. The cFE “/cf” directory must be mapped to a directory on the targets non-volatile disk. The cFE “/ram” directory must be mapped to a directory on the targets volatile disk. For desktop runs, the /ram directory may be mapped to the PC’s hard drive. This mapping is specified in file `cfe_psp_voltab.c` located in the PSP area. For example, on the pc-linux platform, this file is located in the `$PSP_DIR/fsw/pc-linux/src` directory.

5.1 COMPRESSED CFS APPLICATION SUPPORT

The cFE supports loading compressed cFS Application files. The files must be compressed with the “gzip” utility. An example: “\$ gzip ci.o”. This will produce the file “ci.o.gz”. When the cFE code detects the “.gz” file extension, it will uncompress the cFS application when loading it.

5.2 MCP750-VXWORKS6.4 PLATFORM

For running on the MCP750, transfer the files to the target. Using FTP, transfer the `cfe-core.o` (which includes the cFE, OSAL and PSP) the `cfe_es_startup.scr` and all applications to the `CF:0/apps` directory on the target. Here is an example of how to load the `cfe-core.o` via ftp.

```
$ ftp 192.168.1.4
ftp> username: target
ftp> username: target
ftp> password: password
ftp> cd "CF:0"
ftp> cd "apps"
ftp> binary
ftp> put cfe-core.o
```

To start the cFE, press the reset button on the front panel of the target board.

5.3 PC-LINUX PLATFORM

On the PC-Linux platform, during the execution of the ‘make’ command, the application object files were copied to the non-volatile directory (`/mission/build/cpu1/exe/cf/apps`). During initialization, the cFE will read this directory when starting the applications.

You’ll need to run as root to use the linux real time scheduler. Without this, the task priority settings on the applications will not be supported. It is also needed to set the message queue depths (Software Bus Pipes) in POSIX.

To run the cFE, type the following from the exe directory:

```
[/mission/build/cpul]$ cd exe
[/mission/build/cpul/exe]$ su
password: <enter root password here>
[/mission/build/cpul/exe]# ./core-linux.bin PO 1
```

6.0 BUILDING AND RUNNING THE OPEN SOURCE DELIVERY

The latest cFE open source software delivery can be found on Sourceforge.net at the following url : <http://sourceforge.net/projects/coreflightexec/>. This delivery contains the mission template and the four components listed above in section 3.0. All components are fully integrated. Refer to the cfe-x.x.x-OSS-readme.txt file for instructions on how to build and run the open source delivery.

7.0 BUILDING THE GROUND DATABASE AND PAGES

The rdl templates and procedures for the cFE and each application that you wish to execute must be built into the ASIST database. The steps below provide instructions for building the command and telemetry databases as well as the ASIST display pages necessary. Also, any specific instructions required for building an application's ground database files can be found under the <appname>/docs directory.

The steps below assume that MKS is installed on the ASIST machine and the user understands how to create sandboxes for the applications being integrated into the ground database. Also, the steps below assume that the user is logged onto a test machine using the test account.

7.1 POPULATING THE GLOBAL DIRECTORIES

If this is not the first time that the cFE ground databases are being installed on the test machine, only the updated components (if applicable) need to be reinstalled into each directory. If any of the files have been modified on the test machine, those modifications need to be merged with the updated files from the MKS repository.

8.0 TOOLS DIRECTORY

1. Extract the 'global/tools' files from MKS into the DESTINATION 'global/tools' directory.
2. Change the file permissions for all scripts to make them executable.(chmod 777 <filename>)
3. Add the DESTINATION directory to the account PATH variable in order to use the scripts located in this directory in the following steps.

9.0 RDL DIRECTORY

1. Extract the 'global/rdl' files from MKS into the DESTINATION 'global/rdl' directory.
2. Change the file permissions on all files so that they are writable. (chmod 666 *.rdl)

10.0 PRC DIRECTORY

1. Extract the 'global/prc' files from MKS into the DESTINATION 'global/prc' directory.
 2. Change the file permissions on all procedures so that they are writable. (chmod 666 *.prc)
 3. Compile all procedures by entering the command "stol_compiler <filename>".
- NOTE: The ASIST ground station must be running in order to compile the procedures. Also, if you have any of the Utility Procedures contained in this directory, these will have to be compiled after performing the configuration specified in 6.1.4 below.

11.0 UTILITY PROCEDURE CONFIGURATION SETUP

The cFE has a set of utility procedures that utilize the configurable definitions contained in the 'global/prc/cfe_utils.h' file in the MKS repository. The utility procedures are:

- cfe_fsw_utils.prc
- clear_spacecraft_status.prc
- create_tbl_file_from_cvt.prc
- does_file_exist.prc
- file_attr_del.prc
- file_attr_get.prc
- file_attr_put.prc
- file_compare.prc
- fill_in_spacecraft_status.prc
- fsw_does_file_exist.prc
- get_file_to_cvt.prc
- get_tbl_to_cvt.prc
- load_start_app.prc
- load_table.prc
- move_file.prc
- send_that_to_command.prc
- user_startup.prc
- ut_runproc.prc

The definitions that should be modified with mission specific information are:

1. #define SC "SCX"
This definition specifies the spacecraft portion of the ASIST command and telemetry database items. i.e., **SCX_CPU1_ES_DELETEAPP** or **SCX_CPU3_ES_CMDPC**
2. #define CPU_CFG "CPU"
This definition specifies the cpu or processor ID portion of the ASIST command and telemetry database items. i.e., **SCX_CPU1_ES_DELETEAPP** or **SCX_CPU3_ES_CMDPC**
3. #define CFE_SC 66
This definition specifies the spacecraft ID to use for the mission. This definition is used by the ut_setupevt and ut_setupevents directives to allow the ASIST database to capture Event messages in STOL test procedures.
4. #define MISSION "CFE"
This definition specifies the mission currently being used. There are several utility procedures that contain mission specific code that checks this definition in order to perform mission specific actions. (see user_startup.prc)

5. local numCPUs = 3
This variable specifies the number of CPUs that the mission currently has defined in the ASIST command and telemetry database items. i.e., SCX_CPU1_ES_DELETEAPP or SCX_CPU3_ES_CMDPC
6. #define GDS_EXISTS
This definition is used in the ut_runproc utility to display status for the GDS. If this definition exists in the cfe_utils.h file, the ut_runproc expects several GDS telemetry items to be defined in the ASIST telemetry database. If the GDS does not exist for your mission, this definition SHOULD NOT be included in cfe_utils.h.

11.1 POPULATING THE LOCAL DIRECTORIES

If this is not the first time that the cFE ground databases are being installed on the test machine, only the updated components (if applicable) need to be reinstalled into each directory. If any of the files have been modified on the test machine, those modifications need to be merged with the updated files from the MKS repository.

11.1.1 prc Directory

If you are installing the cFE for the first time on the test machine, the following steps must be performed:

1. Extract the 'local/prc/template/template*.prc' files from MKS into the DESTINATION 'prc/template' directory. Change the file permissions on the copied files so that they are writable. (chmod 666 *.prc)
2. Extract the 'local/prc' files from MKS into the DESTINATION 'prc' directory. Change the file permissions on the copied files so that they are writable. (chmod 666 *.prc)
3. Create a link to the following files located in the appropriate flight software directory(ies). The directories listed below as <xxx_path> are the locations where the cFE and OSAL MKS repositories were created. The actual locations may vary depending upon the mission or OS.
 - ln -s <cfe_path>fsw/mission_inc/cfe_mission_cfg.h .
 - ln -s <cfe_path>fsw/platform_inc/cpux/cfe_platform_cfg.h .
 - ln -s <osal_path>build/inc/osconfig.h .

For each cFE or cFS application you are going to run that contains any STOL procedure files, you will need to copy them into the appropriate directories on the ASIST machine and compile them. The instructions below help you do this.

1. Copy the procedure templates from the application's sandbox to the DESTINATION 'prc/template' directory. Change the file permissions on the copied files so that they are writable. (chmod 666 *.prc)
2. Copy any procedures from the application's sandbox to the DESTINATION 'prc' directory. Change the file permissions on the copied files so that they are writable. (chmod 666 *.prc)
3. Create links to any include files needed by the procedures copied above by entering the command "ln -s <application_sandbox_path>/*.h .".
Normally the files are located in the <app>/fsw/platform_inc or mission_inc directories. However, there are some instances where include files from the <app>/fsw/src directory are needed.
4. Startup ASIST and compile the procedures just copied into the \$WORK/prc' directory in Step 2 above by entering the command "stol_compiler <procedure_name>".
5. Traverse into the template directory.
6. Generate the application test procedures from the templates by entering the command "create_proc <template_filename> "scid" "cpu"

7. Traverse up to the prc directory.
8. Compile all the procedures generated in the above step by entering “stol_compiler <procedure_filename>”. If any errors appear, you should edit the template, regenerate and recompile the procedure.

11.1.2 rdl Directory

If you are installing the cFE for the first time on the test machine, the following steps must be performed:

1. Extract the ‘template*.rdl’ files from MKS into the DESTINATION ‘rdl/template’ directory.
2. Copy the cFEBuildMsgIds.h file located in the DESTINATION ‘global/tools’ directory to the DESTINATION ‘rdl/template’ directory by entering the command
“cp <destination>/global/tools/cFEBuildMsgIds.h .”
3. Extract the ‘local/rdl’ files from MKS into DESTINATION ‘rdl’ directory
4. Create links to the cFE include files used by most of the rdl files by entering the following commands:
ln -s ../prc/cfe_mission_cfg.h .
ln -s ../prc/cfe_platform_cfg.h .
ln -s ../prc/osconfig.h .

For each cFE or cFS application you are going to run that contains rdl files, you will need to copy them into the appropriate directories on the ASIST machine and regenerate the rdl files. The instructions below help you do this.

1. Create a sandbox for the application being tested or executed. The type of sandbox to create depends upon whether you are testing a certain version of the application (Build) or the application trunk (Regular).
2. After the sandbox is created, copy the rdl templates from the application’s sandbox to the DESTINATION ‘rdl/template’ directory by entering the command:
cp <sandbox_path>/test_and_ground/asist/rdl/template/*.rdl \$WORK/rdl/template
3. Edit the cFEBuildMsgIds.h file and add the message IDs for your application to the appropriate places in the file.
4. Enter the command “cd \$WORK/rdl/” to move to that directory.
5. Create links to any of the application include files required by the rdl files. These links were created in the \$WORK/prc directory previously. Thus, we should link to these files by entering the command “ln -s ../prc/<filename> .”

11.2 CREATING THE COMMAND AND TELEMETRY DATABASES

In order to send commands and receive telemetry for an application, the application’s command and telemetry packet specifications must be generated into the ASIST databases. Follow the steps below to accomplish this.

1. Generate the rdl files from the templates by entering the command:
create_rdl <template_filename> “scid” “cpu”
i.e., create_rdl template_tlm_TST_MM_HK_TLM.rdl “SCX” “CPU3”
2. Move the generated rdl files up one directory to the ‘rdl’ directory.
3. Move up to the ‘rdl’ directory.
4. Make sure that the user command and telemetry files specifying the contents of your databases contain entries to match the filenames of the rdls generated above in step 1. If they do not, you must edit these files so that they include these files.
5. Compile the command database by entering ‘dbcmpcmd’ on the command line. If there were NO errors, proceed to the next step. Otherwise, correct any errors and repeat the above steps until a clean compile is achieved.

6. Load the command database by entering 'dbloadcmd' on the command line.
7. Compile the telemetry database by entering 'dbcmptlm' on the command line. If there were NO errors, proceed to the next step. Otherwise, correct any errors and repeat the above steps until a clean compile is achieved.
8. Load the telemetry database by entering 'dbloadtlm' on the command line.
9. Start or re-start ASIST. Verify your database changes by opening the CMD and/or TLM Database Browser and selecting the ID that you changed.

11.3 CREATING THE ASIST DISPLAY PAGES

The ASIST display pages for a cFS application are delivered for SCX_CPU1. These pages will need to be modified for the mission using them. The steps below help you do this.

1. Copy the 'sam/fmt/*.fmt' files from the application's sandbox to the DESTINATION 'sam/fmt' directory.
2. Start ASIST and select the Page Editor from the Editors menu and log into the Page Editor.
3. Open each of the application's display pages one at a time and edit the DDOs to specify the mission mnemonics contained in the ASIST database.
For example, the Data Storage Command PC counter would be specified as SCX_CPU1_DS_CMDPC in the DS_HK page as delivered. For GPM, this would need to change to GC_DS_CMDPC.

12.0 RUNNING CFS APPLICATIONS

The instructions below are basic instructions to get an app running in the lab.

12.1 LOG ONTO A TEST MACHINE

Log onto the test account on the ASIST test machine configured in Section 6 above.

12.2 VIEW FSW ACTIVITY

In one of the terminal windows, open a UART or minicom window. This window will show you any output that the fsw writes to the UART.

12.3 BOOT UP THE BOARD

NOTE: This step is not required if you have not rebuilt the cFE, or any of the applications that start automatically.

If you have rebuilt the cFE or an application, perform a power-on reset on the board in order to run the latest version of the fsw.

12.4 START THE GROUND SYSTEM

To start the ground system, double click the asist icon on the test machine's desktop. After ASIST comes up, connect to the cpu in order to start commanding and receiving telemetry.

12.5 VERIFY DEFAULT APPLICATIONS ARE RUNNING

Verify cFE and any automatically started applications are running by viewing the initialization events. Also, you can type 'i' in the UART window to list the applications that are running.

12.6 MANUALLY START AN APPLICATION

NOTE: The developer is responsible for copying the object file to the \$WORK/apps/cpux directory on the ASIST test machine.

Normally, applications will be started automatically for missions. However, to manually start an application, follow the steps below:

a. In the STOL command window type the following:

s load_start_app("yy", "CPUx")

where yy is the the object file name in capital letters without the extension and x is the cpu you wish to start your application on.

b. Verify that the app initializes. The version number should be included in the initialization event.

12.7 MANUALLY STOP AN APPLICATION

To manually stop an application, a cFE ES command is provided. Issue the ES_DeleteApp command and specify the name of the application you wish to stop as an argument.

12.8 LOG OFF OF THE TEST MACHINE

- a. Close out the minicom window and exit out of the UART machine session.
- b. Shutdown ASIST by entering `cfe_shutdown` in the STOL command window.
- c. Ensure that you are not editing any files, have exited any running programs and have terminated any remote logins.
- d. Log off of the ASIST test machine.

13.0 USING STOL TEST PROCEDURES

13.1 EDITING AND CREATING A TEST PROCEDURE

A test procedure for cFS testing consists of a template file that is used to generate the actual test procedures executed for a particular spacecraft cpu. These template procedures reside in the `$WORK/prc/template` directory

- a. In a terminal window, enter the command `'cd $WORK/prc/template'` to move to that directory. Use your favorite text editor to edit the desired template file.
- b. After making the desired changes to the template file, you need to create the actual test procedure that you will execute. To do this, enter the command `"create_proc <templateFileName> "<spacecraft name>" "<CPU name>"`. E.g., `create_proc template_es_appctrl.prc "SCX" "CPU2"`
- c. The above step creates your test procedure file and moves it up one directory into the `$WORK/prc` directory.

13.2 COMPILING A TEST PROCEDURE

In order for a test procedure to compile, the ASIST ground software must be up and running.

- a. Before a test procedure can be executed, it must be compiled. In a terminal window, enter the command `'cd $WORK/prc'` to move to that directory. Enter the command `"stol_compiler <test_procedure_name>"`.
E.g., `stol_compiler scx_cpu2_es_appctrl.prc`
- b. The compiler will report any errors in the terminal window. If errors exist, you need to go back to Step 5.1 to edit the template file and regenerate the actual procedure.
- c. If there are no errors, the test procedure is ready to execute.

13.3 EXECUTING A TEST

- a. In the STOL command window, enter the following command:
`s ut_runproc("<test_proc_name_without_extension>")`
 E.g., `s ut_runproc("scx_cpu2_app_ctrl")`
- b. The test procedure should begin to execute.
- c. When the procedure completes, the test log will be ready for examination.

13.4 VIEWING A TEST LOG

- a.** In another terminal window, traverse to the \$WORK/test_logs directory.
- b.** There are four (4) logs generated for each test procedure execution (loge, logf, logp & logr).
- c.** View the logp file. This file contains the output for each step in the test procedure. Also, the requirement report contained at the end of this file will indicate which requirements passed or failed.

Appendix A Using the CMake Build System

Prerequisites

The build uses 3rd party applications and libraries to provide some base functionality. For libraries the "-dev" (Debian/Ubuntu) or "-devel" (RedHat/CentOS) versions of these packages should be installed in order to compile source code using these libraries.

- gcc, make, libc-dev, etc. - Standard prerequisites for any build environment. Ubuntu provides a meta package called "build-essential" that depends on all the basics.
 - For Ubuntu 64-bit Host machine you may need to install the multilib tools for 32-bit compatibility: `sudo apt-get install gcc-multilib g++-multilib`
- cmake - The build system uses this. Any recent version should work.
- libexpat (XML parser) - Although this is not required by the current build, a future CFE build using electronic data sheets will require this. Any recent version should work.
- git - Required if you want to access the official CFS distribution directly from the CFS community source repositories.

Mission Configuration

Before any builds can be done, the mission configuration must be created. This is centralized in a directory below the top level source directory. The directory is identified by a `defs` suffix in the directory name.

The example build provides a `sample_defs` directory that is simply an example that can be modified to suit the project needs. This contains:

- The `targets.cmake` file that describes the target architecture and apps to use on each CPU (**important**)
- Global configuration file to serve as `cfe_mission_cfg.h`
- OS-specific `osconfig.h` files for OSAL as required by the mission
- Platform-specific `cfe_platform_cfg.h` files as required by the mission
- Startup scripts for each CPU - `cfe_es_startup.scr` as required by the mission
- Any other project specific files, such as table source files or generic data files can be placed here.

Note that the build scripts support using more than one "defs" directory within a single project. This is intended to support different mixtures of processor-in-the-loop and hardware-in-the-loop style debugging environments. However, in this case, the directory cannot be automatically determined by the build system and must be selected by the user at preparation time. This more advanced use case will be detailed later.

1.1.1.1 Examples

An extremely simple `targets.cmake` file to build the core flight executive and the `sample_app` for a single CPU:

```
SET(MISSION_NAME "SampleMission")

SET(SPACECRAFT_ID 42)


SET(TGT1_NAME cpu1)

SET(TGT1_APPLIST sample_app)

SET(TGT1_FILELIST cfe_es_startup.scr)
```

This file is setting up some CMake variables that have special meaning to the build scripts:

- `MISSION_NAME` and `SPACECRAFT_ID` are compiled into the executable and potentially used at run time by any application. In particular, the value specified for `SPACECRAFT_ID` will be returned by `CFE_PSP_GetSpacecraftId()`.
- `TGT1_NAME` provides a name for the first CPU. The build scripts will also look for a cross-compiler toolchain file by the same name, in this case `toolchain-cpu1.cmake`, to use for building the binaries used on this CPU. **Important:** The toolchain can also be specified by the `TGT1_PLATFORM` variable, which will override this if present. This allows the name and toolchain to be specified independently.
- `TGT1_APPLIST` provides a space-separated list of applications to build for the target CPU. The application source code must be in a directory of the same name in one of the search path locations in the build scripts. These paths will be searched to find the source code for this application.
- `TGT1_FILELIST` is a space-separated list of files to copy to the target during the `make install` process. **Note:** Name clashes are common here, since all targets typically use a `cfe_es_startup.scr` to start the applications. This is handled by allowing a prefix to the filename to indicate which CPU the file belongs to. For instance, `cpu1_cfe_es_startup.scr` will be copied to `cpu1` as `cfe_es_startup.scr` during the installation step.

A slightly more complex example that mimics the configuration on the original GSFC makefiles is included in the `jph-sample-mission` branch in git.

Preparing to build cFS

The build procedure always uses "out-of-tree" builds; all generated files are stored in a separate directory from the source code. This is important for version control purposes, as the build will not modify or add any files within the source tree, and multiple builds can be done from a single source tree.

A special `prep` target is implemented in the example top-level makefile to facilitate setting up a new build directory. This in turn calls "cmake" with the right options to set up the build.

Special variables used by the top-level makefile wrapper:

- `O`: Specifies the output directory, may be absolute or relative. If not specified then "build" is assumed.
- `SIMULATION`: If set, this will override the architecture(s) specified in the targets file. The "native" keyword here will indicate to use the host machine's native compiler (e.g. /usr/bin/gcc) for all compilation tasks. For any other keyword/string, the scripts will search for a file called "toolchain-KEYWORD.cmake" that specifies the details of the toolchain. "i686-rtems4.11", "powerpc-440-linux-gnu" and "arm-cortexa8_neon-linux-gnueabi" are included as examples of how this works.

1.1.1.2 Examples

To prepare a normal build for the target hardware:

```
make prep
```

To prepare a workstation simulation build (this overrides cross-compilation such that all binaries are built to run directly on the native host platform):

```
make SIMULATION=native O=build-sim prep
```

To prepare a "processor-in-the-loop" simulation build, assuming that the target processor toolchain is defined by "arm-cortexa8_neon-linux-gnueabi":

```
make SIMULATION=arm-cortexa8_neon-linux-gnueabi O=build-pil prep
```

NOTE: For any of these builds, the `O` variable can be supplied or modified to override the default output directory. This allows all the builds to coexist simultaneously from the same source tree.

For **ALL** builds, once the prep step has been completed, the variables used (such as "SIMULATION") are cached and therefore **DO NOT** need to be passed with any future invocation of the "make" commands. This is important because it allows the makefiles to be easily called from an IDE without needing to set up specific environment variables first.

After this initial preparation step, CMake is not used again unless the build scripts are modified. However, dependencies are built into the generated makefiles such that CMake is generally run automatically when necessary. The only major exception to this is if a source file is *added* to a build script that was using "wildcards" or shell glob commands to find source files. In this specific case of source file additions with no modifications to existing build scripts, the `prep` step will need to be manually re-run to pick up the new added files.

Building and Installing

The cFS mission binary files may be generated by simply running:

```
make
```

The CMake build scripts will generate the binary files in a deep build tree based on the original location of the source file from which it was built. This is generally not suitable for copying to a target machine, so an "install" target is also implemented to make this process easier:

```
make install
```

Will copy all the generated executable files (typically the "core" executable plus any loadable object files and/or configuration files specified in the mission configuration) to a common directory. The directory structure is organized by CPU name so that it is easy to copy the entire tree to a target, or the directory could be NFS mounted in the case of Linux targets.

Note that the default "all" target (which generates the binaries) is also a prerequisite of the "install" target, so running "make install" directly is generally sufficient to build the entire project.

Writing CMakeLists files for applications

Every application or module is expected to provide a `CMakeLists.txt` file at the top level of the respective source tree, containing the recipe for building that module.

The CMake build system provides two useful functions that can be used to simplify this task for most modules:

```
add_cfe_app(app_name source1.c source2.c ...)  
  
add_cfe_tables(app_name table1 table2 ...)
```

The `add_cfe_app` function will generate rules to compile and link the given source files into a module named `app_name`, using the configured cross compiler and all relevant switches/settings defined by the build system. The resulting module file will be installed to all targets that have `app_name` listed in their respective configuration in `targets.cmake`.

The `add_cfe_tables` function will generate rules to compile a source file for each table name specified, then execute the appropriate conversion tool (such as `elf2cfetbl`) on the binary file to produce a CFE table file with a `.tbl` extension. The final tbl file will be installed to the target directory.

Since table files are generally customized for mission-specific operation (as opposed to using an example table file "as-is" from the source distribution)

the `add_cfe_tables` function will first search the mission-specific areas of the source tree for matching filenames. These mission-specific source files will be given preference over source files contained within the application module source tree, which are assumed to be "example" files. (In general, the CMake build system discourages modifying original source files for mission-specific purposes).

The following paths are searched, in order, for each table definition:

- `${MISSION_DEFS}/tables/${CPUNAME}_${TBL}.c`
- `${MISSION_SOURCE_DIR}/tables/${CPUNAME}_${TBL}.c`
- `${MISSION_DEFS}/tables/${TBL}.c`
- `${MISSION_SOURCE_DIR}/tables/${TBL}.c`

Where `MISSION_SOURCE_DIR` is the mission top level source directory, `MISSION_DEFS` represents the "defs" directory (containing `targets.cmake` and others), `CPUNAME` represents the name of the CPU, and `TBL` represents the name of the table as indicated in the `add_cfe_tables` command.

For a more concrete example, using the "sample_defs" configuration, if an application recipe contains the line `add_cfe_tables(myapp table1)`, the following will be searched (relative to `${MISSION_SOURCE_DIR}`):

- `sample_defs/tables/cpu1_table1.c`
- `tables/cpu1_table1.c`
- `sample_defs/tables/table1.c`
- `tables/table1.c`

Note that by searching first for filenames prefixed with the CPU name i.e. `cpu1_table1.c`, this allows different definitions of the table to be used on other CPUs, such as `cpu2_table1.c` if the application were also utilized on a cpu named `cpu2`.