Subject: Re: Calling C++ from IDL Posted by Martin Downing on Fri, 16 Nov 2001 14:35:51 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Hi Jauan,

If Nigel's advice doesn't solve your problem then it may be down to a bug in the CC compiler.

Many moons ago I reported a bug to Sun where template methods were not being instantiated when building as a library. The fault was not corrected in the next few upgrades of solaris, but we are talking 5 years ago now! Note this had nothing to do with IDL, and if this is the fault you will not be able to build C++ executables linked to the template libraries either. If this is the case then maybe they never corrected it, I could dust off the workaround I came up with.

good luck

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"Nigel Wade" <nmw@ion.le.ac.uk> wrote in message
news:9t2m3j$9oev$1@rook.le.ac.uk...
> Juan I. Cicuendez wrote:
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>> Hi,
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>> I am writing you all to see if you could help me because I am
>> trying to call C++ code from IDL (I am working in Sun solaris). We
>> compile the C++ with CC with extern "C" and produced the .so and when
>> use call external in IDL, it does not find the C++ template library
>> which were used in my C++ classes. Is any way to tell IDL where to
>> look for this library, or can this be done with make_dll (I don't know
>> the compilation options). Could you help me somehow, maybe there are
>> other ways, I am a bit desperate. Anyone know the compilation options
>> if you want to compile with gcc.
>> The compilation options I used were:
>> CC -c -xarch=v9 otra.c
>> CC -G -xarch=v9 otra.o -o libotra.so
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>> from IDL we do:
>> S=call_external('libotra.so', 'mas')
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>> Thanks a lot,
>>
>> Juan Cicuendez
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If the library is one of your own then you need to specifically link
against it by adding it to the DSO creation command (CC -G -lyour_lib).
Secondly, so that IDL will know where to look for it (if it's not on the
standard search path) you either need to set the LD_LIBRARY_PATH env
variable to the directory where the library is, or add a "runpath" to the
link command with -R option.
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