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Another Neat Tool (Ant) for OpenVMS

Readme File - Installation Guide and Release Notes

Version 1.7-1B

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Introduction

Apache Another Neat Tool (Ant) 1.7-1B is a Java-based build tool, similar to make.

This kit is a port of Apache Ant 1.7-1 to the OpenVMS environment. This version of Ant 1.7-1 has been modified from the original Ant distribution found at <http://ant.apache.org>. The modifications were required to allow for differences in behavior on OpenVMS.

Requirements

Software Requirements

The following are the software requirements:

- Java 1.6 or higher
- OpenVMS Integrity V8.4 or later

Hardware Requirements

The following are the hardware requirements for the Ant 1.7-1B:

- Itanium processor
- Installation disk must be formatted as an ODS-5 disk
- 1GB RAM (minimum)
- 600mhz processor (minimum)

Installation Instructions

Ant has separate installation files for Integrity servers and Alpha systems. To install ANT 1.7-1B:

1. Expand the Ant 1.7-1B compressed EXE file by entering one of following commands, depending on the platform on which you are installing the kit:

```
$ RUN VSI-I64VMS-ANT-V0107-1B-1.ZIPEXE ! for OpenVMS Integrity server
$ RUN VSI-AXPVMS-ANT-V0107-1B-1.ZIPEXE ! for OpenVMS Alpha
```

Each EXE file contains the files VSI-I64VMS-ANT-V0107-1B-1.PCSI\$COMPRESSED and VSI-I64VMS-ANT-V0107-1-1.PCSI\$COMPRESSED_ESW (the signed manifest file).

2. Start PCSI, the utility that installs ANT 1.7-1B for OpenVMS by entering the following command. (PCSI installs the PCSI\$COMPRESSED file directly; you do not need to expand it.)

```
$ PRODUCT INSTALL ANT
```

3. Follow the on-screen installation instructions.

To proceed with a default installation, press Enter/Return in response to any other installation questions.

Ant 1.7-1B will be installed into PCSI\$DESTINATION:[ANT_17]

Using Ant

Follow these steps to define the logical name for Ant and to use Ant:

1. The logical name ANT\$HOME must be defined to use Ant 1.7-1 for OpenVMS. The directories used in the following examples assume that Ant has been installed in the default location, SYS\$COMMON:[000000].

```
$ DEFINE ANT$HOME SYS$COMMON:[ANT_17]
```

2. The symbol "ANT" must be defined, for example:

```
$ ANT := @SYS$COMMON:[ANT_17.BIN]ANT.COM
```

Then the command "ant" can be used, for example:

```
$ ant "-version" ! must quote DCL params
```

Sample Post installation steps (if installed into the default destination)

```
$ @sys$startup:java$60_setup fast ! setup Java
$ define ant$home sys$common:[ant_17]
$ ant := @sys$common:[ant_17.bin]ant
$ ant "-version"
    Apache Ant version 1.7.1 compiled on March 22 2015
```

Known Issues

This section provides descriptions of the known issues and limitations that exist in Ant 1.7-1B for OpenVMS; they are as follows:

- Any known Java restriction or limitation, which is documented in the OpenVMS Java Users guide or release notes.
- Failures with several `org.apache.tools.ant.types.selectors` that rely on obtaining the current file size from C functions `fstat()` or `stat()`. These functions fail to return the correct file size under the following condition:
 - o Files still open for write and have been modified
- Filename matching on OpenVMS is case insensitive, which can lead to issues if an application attempts to access two filenames that only differ by case.
- Java on OpenVMS does not allow redirecting `stdin` or `stdout` via the UNIX style file sharing methods.