



Better Object Builder for IBM i

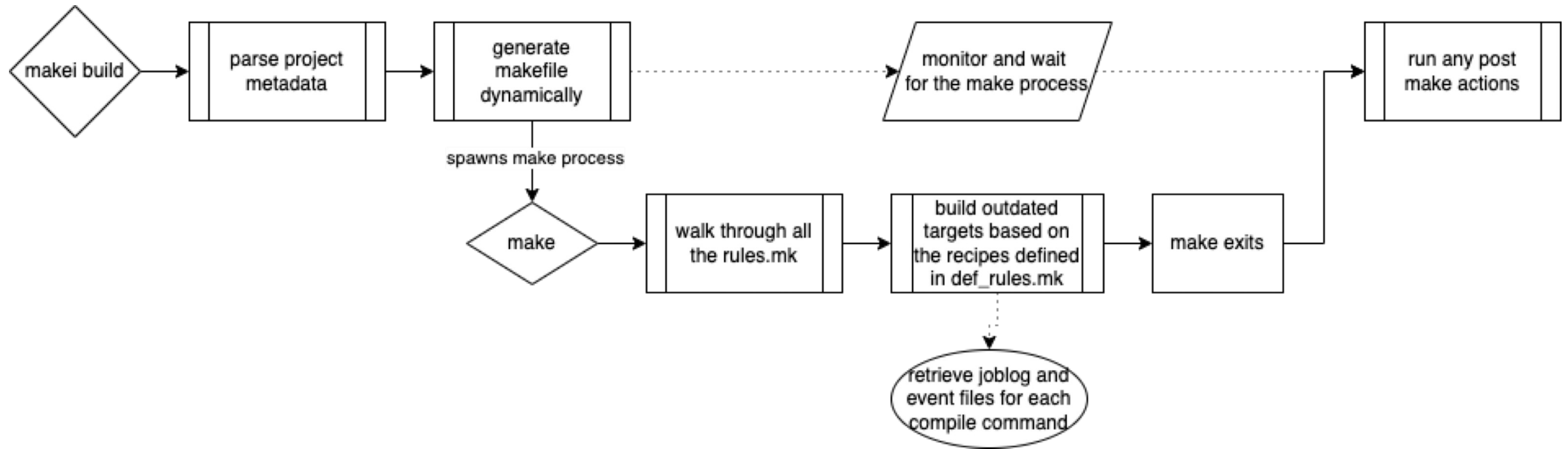
... for the native OS/VS objects

How BOB works and how to develop it

v2.4.10

BOB Technical Details

Build Process



Temporary files generated during 'makei build'

build vars under tmp directory

```
ssh
# This file is generated using makei, DO NOT EDIT.
# Modify .ibmi.json to override values

curlib := WDSCTEST
preUsrlibl := WDSCTEST
postUsrlibl :=
INCDIR := QPROTOSRC
IBMiEnvCmd := cl '' > /dev/null 2>&1
TGTCCSID_/home/ECLIPSETEST/bob-recursive-example := *JOB
OBJPATH_/home/ECLIPSETEST/bob-recursive-example := /QSYS.
LIB/WDSCTEST.LIB
:
```

- Resolves all per directory settings

.Rules.mk.build files along with each Rules.mk

```
less
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VAT300.MODULE_SRC=$(d)/vat300.rpgle
VAT300.MODULE_DEP=QPROTOSRC/vat.rpgleinc
VAT300.MODULE_RECIPE=RPGLE_TO_MODULE_RECIPE
FVAT.SRVPGM_SRC=$(d)/fvat.bnd
FVAT.SRVPGM_DEP=VAT300.MODULE
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```

- Expand Rules.mk with BOB-specific syntax

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mk/footer.mk:7

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7  ifdef TARGETS
8  TARGETS_$(d) := $(TARGETS)
9  $(foreach tgt,$(TARGETS),$(eval vpath $(tgt) $(OBJPATH_$(d)))$(eval $
  (tgt)_d = $(d))$(eval $(call generate_rule,$(tgt),${$(tgt)_SRC},${$(tgt)
  _DEP},${$(tgt)_RECIPE})))
10 endif
```

```
VAT300.MODULE: $(d)/vat300.rpgle QPROTOSRC/vat.rpgleinc ; [env var
setup...] $(RPGLT_TO_MODULE_RECIPE)
```

To setup for development

- Follow instruction at <https://ibm.github.io/ibmi-bob/#/contributing/getting-started>
 - All driven by noxfile.py
 - `nox -s dev`
 - Sets up the python virtual environment and necessary prerequisites
 - `nox -s lint`
 - Run lint on the project
 - `nox -s test`
 - Run junit tests
 - Minimal set –needs to be expanded
 - Release process
 - Switch to the master branch and pull the latest code.
 - Update the CHANGELOG file under the changelogs folder. Make sure you add the new version.
 - Use `nox -s release -- {major, minor, patch}` to release a new version. For example, if you want to release a new patch version, you can run `nox -s release -- patch`. This will bump the version number, create a new tag, and push the tag to the remote repository.
 - Once the new tag is pushed, the CI will automatically
 - build the RPM and upload it to the release
 - create the spec file and create a new pull request to the spec file repository

BOB Components

- <https://github.com/IBM/ibmi-bob>
 - bin (python)
 - crtfrmstmf – compile source types with no stream file support
 - makei – all the other BOB functionality
 - docs (markdown) – documentation available at <https://ibm.github.io/ibmi-bob/#/>
 - src
 - mk – (makefile) makefile templates
 - makei – (python) makei functionality (generate makefile and launch gmake with right env)
 - scripts – (unix scripts) function during make recipes
 - tests (python) – unit tests
 - tools (nox) – dev env setup, rpm build, rpm deploy to IBM catalog

makei/

- The Python package for the makei command
- `build.py` – Implements ``makei build/compile``
- `const.py` – Defines default values
- `crtfrmstmf.py`
 - Some compilers does not support build from stream file or build from utf-8
 - Copy a stream file to the QTEMP/QSOURCE and compile from there
 - Retrieve the joblog, event files and update the file path

makei

- `init_project.py`
 - Implements ``makei init``
 - An interactive program to initialize a new Bob project
- `utils.py` - helper functions

makei/ibm_job.py

- Expose the IBMJob class to run a CL command or SQL statements (within the same job)
- `job = IBMJob()`
- `job.job_id`
- `job.run_cl()` / `job.run_sql()`
- `job.dump_joblog()`

mk/

- Makefile
 - The entry makefile for the make process
 - Include all of the other makefiles
- header.mk
- footer.mk
- skel.mk
- def_rules.mk

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def_rules.mk – the beating heart of BOB

- https://github.com/IBM/ibmi-bob/blob/master/src/mk/def_rules.mk
- There are specific recipes for each source-target combination

```
define RPGLE_TO_MODULE_RECIPE =
    $(MODULE_VARIABLES)\
    $(eval d = $($@_d))
    @$(call echo_cmd,"=== Creating RPG module [$(notdir $<)]")
    $(eval crtcmd := crtrpgmod module($(OBJLIB)/$(basename $($@F))) srcstmf('$<') $(CRTRPGMODFLAGS))
    @$(PRESETUP) \
    $(SCRIPTSPATH)/launch "$$(JOBLOGFILE)" "$$(crtcmt)" >> $(LOGFILE) 2>&1 && $(call logSuccess,$@) || $(call logFail,$@)
    @$(call EVFEVENT_DOWNLOAD,$(basename $($@F)).evfevent)
endef
```

MODULE_VARIABLES allows overriding of compile parameters

Launch – bash script that executes compile command

EVFEVENT_DOWNLOAD - copies back event file from QSYS to .evfevent

src/scripts

- launch
 - Setup environment and run the given CL command, extract joblog.json
- extractPseudoSrc / extractAndLaunch
 - Extract the CL command from a pseudo source (and run it)
- getJobLog
 - Append the joblog for a given job to the joblog.json

docs/

- Simply edit markdown in /docs directory
- Update _sidebar.md when adding new pages
- Generated via docsify into <https://ibm.github.io/ibmi-bob/>
- This is done automatically via github actions

The screenshot shows a GitHub Actions workflow run for the repository 'IBM/ibmi-bob'. The workflow is named 'pages build and deployment #107' and has a status of 'Success'. It was triggered via dynamic 3 weeks ago. The summary shows the workflow was triggered by 'edmundreinhardt' with commit '99e951a'. The total duration was 32s and there was 1 artifact. The workflow steps are: 'build' (4s), 'report-build-status' (3s), and 'deploy' (7s). The 'deploy' step is shown with the URL 'https://ibm.github.io/ibmi-bob/'.

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✓ pages build and deployment #107

Summary

Jobs

- ✓ build
- ✓ report-build-status
- ✓ deploy

Run details

- Usage

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Artifacts 1

pages-build-deployment

on: dynamic

build 4s

report-build-status 3s

deploy 7s

<https://ibm.github.io/ibmi-bob/>



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A magical documentation site generator.

Simple and lightweight
No statically built html files
Multiple themes

tools/

- To support the nox command lines
- Specifically supporting the release functionality and the generation of bob.spec for the rpm
- See <https://ibm.github.io/ibmi-bob/#/contributing/getting-started> for more information on the release process

tests/

- Python JUnit tests in unit/
- Supporting test framework in lib/
- Test data in data/

