

NAME

mkdep – construct Makefile dependency list

SYNOPSIS

mkdep [**-ap**] [**-f depend_file**] [flags] file ...

DESCRIPTION

Mkdep takes a set of flags for the C compiler and a list of C source files as arguments and constructs a set of include file dependencies which are written into the file *depend_file*, or “.depend” by default. An example of its use in a Makefile might be:

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CFLAGS= -O -DDEBUG -I./include -I.  
SRCS= file1.c file2.c
```

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depend:
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```
mkdep ${CFLAGS} ${SRCS}
```

where the macro *SRCS* is the list of C source files and the macro *CFLAGS* is the list of flags for the C compiler.

If the **-p** option is provided, *mkdep* produces dependencies of the form “program: program.c” so that subsequent makes will produce *program* directly from its C module rather than using an intermediate *.o* module. This is useful in directories that contain many programs, each of whose source is contained in a single C module. The **-a** option causes appending to the output file, so that multiple *mkdep*’s may be run from a single Makefile.

SEE ALSO

cc(1), cpp(1), make(1)