

## GROMACS - Bug #2541

### BUILD\_OWN\_FFTW fails regression tests

06/02/2018 12:08 AM - Erik Lindahl

<b>Status:</b> Closed	
<b>Priority:</b> High	
<b>Assignee:</b>	
<b>Category:</b> build system	
<b>Target version:</b> 2018.2	
<b>Affected version - extra info:</b>	<b>Difficulty:</b> uncategorized
<b>Affected version:</b> 2018.1	
<b>Description</b>	
Ubuntu-18.04, default compilers, and default builds.	
If fftw-3.3.5 is downloaded manually and compiled, all regression tests pass.	
With -DBUILD_OWN_FFTW=ON, the fft/correlationfunctions tests fail.	

#### Associated revisions

##### Revision c17474b3 - 06/06/2018 09:48 AM - Erik Lindahl

Bump GMX\_BUILD\_OWN\_FFTW to 3.3.8 to avoid bugs

FFTW-3.3.8 seems to fix build errors with AVX-512, and as reported on the FFTW web page it also removes the -ffast-math flag which results in errors with gcc-8.

Fixes #2541.

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#### History

##### #1 - 06/04/2018 02:54 PM - Szilárd Páll

The FFT unit tests fail too. The funny thing is that it does not fail on a Threadripper machine, but it does fail on a Xeon Silver CPU. Even more fun is that running with relative path (i.e. bin/fft-test) passes, but not with absolute path as invoked by ctest:

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#0 0x00007ffff7787c82 in t1fv_3 () from /tmp/gromacs-18/build/bin/./lib/libgromacs.so.3
#1 0x00007ffff77ba29b in apply () from /tmp/gromacs-18/build/bin/./lib/libgromacs.so.3
#2 0x00007ffff74bbdb0 in apply () from /tmp/gromacs-18/build/bin/./lib/libgromacs.so.3
#3 0x00007ffff77b5b07 in apply_dit () from /tmp/gromacs-18/build/bin/./lib/libgromacs.so.3
#4 0x00007ffff74bbdb0 in apply () from /tmp/gromacs-18/build/bin/./lib/libgromacs.so.3
#5 0x00007ffff73eb954 in gmxf_ftt_1d (fft=0x55555587bac0, dir=GMX_FFT_FORWARD, in_data=0x555555861ae0, out_data=0x555555862270)
    at /tmp/gromacs-18/src/gromacs/fft/fft_fftw3.cpp:457
#6 0x00007ffff73eb989 in gmxf_ftt_many_1d (fft=0x55555587bac0, dir=GMX_FFT_FORWARD, in_data=0x555555861ae0, out_data=0x555555862270)
    at /tmp/gromacs-18/src/gromacs/fft/fft_fftw3.cpp:470
#7 0x0000555555577e86 in (anonymous namespace)::ManyFFTTest_Complex1DLength48Multi5Test_Test::TestBody (this=0x555555841020)
    at /tmp/gromacs-18/src/gromacs/fft/tests/fft.cpp:231
#8 0x00005555555d35ca in testing::internal::HandleSehExceptionsInMethodIfSupported<testing::Test, void> (object=0x555555841020,
    method=&virtual testing::Test::TestBody(), location=0x5555555e3df3 "the test body") at /tmp/gromacs-18/src/external/gmock-1.7.0/gtest/src/gtest.cc:2078
#9 0x000055555555cec27 in testing::internal::HandleExceptionsInMethodIfSupported<testing::Test, void> (object=0x555555841020,
    method=&virtual testing::Test::TestBody(), location=0x5555555e3df3 "the test body") at /tmp/gromacs-18/src/external/gmock-1.7.0/gtest/src/gtest.cc:2114
#10 0x00005555555b74c8 in testing::Test::Run (this=0x555555841020) at /tmp/gromacs-18/src/external/gmock-1.7.0/gtest/src/gtest.cc:2150
#11 0x00005555555b7d18 in testing::TestInfo::Run (this=0x55555583d910) at /tmp/gromacs-18/src/external/gmock-1.7.0/gtest/src/gtest.cc:2326
```

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#12 0x00005555555b838e in testing::TestCase::Run (this=0x55555583da90) at /tmp/gromacs-18/src/external/gmock-1.7.0/gtest/src/gtest.cc:2444
#13 0x000055555555bebd8 in testing::internal::UnitTestImpl::RunAllTests (this=0x55555583d460) at /tmp/gromacs-18/src/external/gmock-1.7.0/gtest/src/gtest.cc:4315
#14 0x000055555555d464b in testing::internal::HandleSehExceptionsInMethodIfSupported<testing::internal::UnitTestImpl, bool> (object=0x55555583d460,
    method=(bool (testing::internal::UnitTestImpl::*) (testing::internal::UnitTestImpl * const)) 0x5555555be918
    <testing::internal::UnitTestImpl::RunAllTests()>,
    location=0x5555555e4538 "auxiliary test code (environments or event listeners)") at /tmp/gromacs-18/src/external/gmock-1.7.0/gtest/src/gtest.cc:2078
#15 0x000055555555cfa69 in testing::internal::HandleExceptionsInMethodIfSupported<testing::internal::UnitTestImpl, bool> (object=0x55555583d460,
    method=(bool (testing::internal::UnitTestImpl::*) (testing::internal::UnitTestImpl * const)) 0x5555555be918
    <testing::internal::UnitTestImpl::RunAllTests()>,
    location=0x5555555e4538 "auxiliary test code (environments or event listeners)") at /tmp/gromacs-18/src/external/gmock-1.7.0/gtest/src/gtest.cc:2114
#16 0x000055555555bd95c in testing::UnitTest::Run (this=0x5555558198c0 <testing::UnitTest::GetInstance()::instance>
    at /tmp/gromacs-18/src/external/gmock-1.7.0/gtest/src/gtest.cc:3926
#17 0x0000555555557fe98 in RUN_ALL_TESTS () at /tmp/gromacs-18/src/external/gmock-1.7.0/gtest/include/gtest/gtest.h:2290
#18 0x0000555555557fe1c in main (argc=1, argv=0x7fffffff428) at /tmp/gromacs-18/src/testutils/unittest_main.cpp:85
```

Both Complex1DLength48Multi5Test fw/bw seems to segv. Can't add much more.

## #2 - 06/04/2018 03:39 PM - Szilárd Páll

Removing the `--enable-avx512` flag also eliminates the issue: <http://termbin.com/vbu5>

I've had a quick look at the perf scan I did on FFTW 3.3.7 and while the data was awfully noisy, I did see a few cases where the builds with `sse+avx+avx2+avx512` did seem to be faster, but in most cases the `sse+avx+avx2+avx512` runs faster.

As a side-note, the current code seems heavy-handed with adding the AVX512 flag: it uses it for compiling FFTW when any flavor of AVX is used. In the current setup, as we already use conditionality, and given that a single FFTW AVX512 kernel might throttle the CPU by another 10-15% (and result in performance loss in other parts of the code build explicitly with AVX2), we should change the condition on line 70 to:

```
elseif (${GMX_SIMD_ACTIVE} MATCHES "^ (AVX512) ")
```

## #3 - 06/04/2018 08:03 PM - Erik Lindahl

I just had a look at the FFTW page, and apparently FFTW-3.3.7 in combination with GCC-8 results in broken builds due to `-ffast-math`, so it seems prudent that we also upgrade to use FFTW-3.3.8 before GCC-8 becomes widespread.

## #4 - 06/05/2018 11:58 AM - Erik Lindahl

FFTW-3.3.8 seems to fix this problem too, so I'll push a change where we simply bump the version for now.

## #5 - 06/05/2018 11:58 AM - Gerrit Code Review Bot

Gerrit received a related patchset '1' for Issue [#2541](#).

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## #6 - 06/06/2018 10:15 AM - Erik Lindahl

- Status changed from Accepted to Resolved

Applied in changeset [c17474b3a82a544b5a145baf73285e7c321495ed](#).

## #7 - 06/07/2018 01:48 AM - Mark Abraham

- Category set to build system

- Status changed from Resolved to Closed

- Target version set to 2018.2