Splitting gcc’s binary packages

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Currently, src:gcc-4.7 produces...

- libgcc1 but no libgcc*-dev
- libobjc4 but no libobjc*-dev
- libgfortran3 but no libgfortran*-dev
- etc.
Splitting what?

So, were are those files?

- libgcc’s development files are in gcc-4.7
- libobjc’s in gobjc-4.7
- libgfortran’s in gfortran-4.7
- etc.
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- it is useful for other compilers (clang)
g++-4.7-arm-linux-gnueabihf depends on libstdc++6-4.7-dev:armhf
libstdc++6-4.7-dev:armhf depends on g++-4.7:armhf

g++-4.7:armhf conflicts with g++-4.7:native

Solution: drop the dependency
Conflicts between cross-compilers

- gcc-4.7:armhf and gcc-4.7-arm-linux-gnueabihf have common files
- moreover, such conflicts are not easily expressed
- Solution: move those common files to a M-A: same package
Other compilers

- clang links against libgcc and other runtime libs
- libgcc dev files are in gcc-4.7
- Solution: move dev files out of gcc-4.7
The situation now

Development files have been (in experimental) split out of the frontends.

- gcc-$VER \mapsto gcc-$VER + libgcc-$VER-dev
- gobjc-$VER \mapsto gobjc-$VER + libobjc-$VER-dev
- gfortran-$VER \mapsto gfortran-$VER + libgfortran-$VER-dev

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