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CSE2301

Functions and Compiler Directives

Functions

- Function is a small program that may receives some data, perform some computations, and may return a value.

```
Return_type function_name(arguments declaration)
{
    declaration
    statements
}
```

- In C, call is by value (example).

Declaration

- Before the use, functions must be declared.

```
int mysum(int a, int b);
```

Function may return a value using `return`

Returning a value from a function that returns void is an error

Not returning a value from a function that returns a value is unpredictable.

Scope

- Variables do exist within their block.
- For functions, all variables are created at the time the function is called, and vanishes after the function returns (automatic variables).
- If a variable is declared before main, then it is visible to all functions in the file, but could be overridden by declaring a variable by the same name in a function.

Scope

- Usually, an external variable must be declared `extern` in any function that uses it (`extern char line[];`)
- If the function is in the same file as the variable declaration, no need for `extern`
- If a variable is declared `static` outside of `main`, it is not visible to other files (only in this file).

Scope

- `static` could be used also with functions.
- If a variable in a function is declared `static`, the variable does not vanish after the function returns, it stays in the memory so the next call to the function will find the old value.
- `static` variables are initialized to 0.

Preprocessor

- Preprocessor processes the file before compilation.

- It handles `#define` and `#include`

```
#define ON 1
#define OFF 0
#define square(x) ((x)*(x))
#define square(x) x*x ???
#define square(x) x*x; ?
```

Preprocessor

- Conditional inclusion

```
#if !defined(HDR)      #ifdef HDR
#define HDR           #define HDR
//include the file here

#endif
#undef x undefines x
```

Preprocessor

- Formal parameters are not replaced within quoted strings.
- `##` means concatenate
- If the parameter name is preceded by a `#` in the replacement text, the combination will be expanded into a quoted string with the parameter replaced by the actual argument

```
#define dprint(expr) printf(#expr " = %g \n", expr)
```

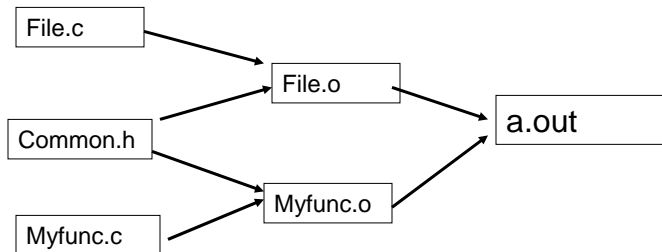
Preprocessor

- `#ifdef` can also be used for conditional compilation.

Compilation

- `cc file.c` produces `a.out`
- Compiling a C program
 - Converting the `.c` file into assembly `.s`
 - Compiling the assembly into a machine code (object code) `.o`
 - Linking the `.o` file to the code library and is named `a.out`
- What happens when you have several files

Compilation

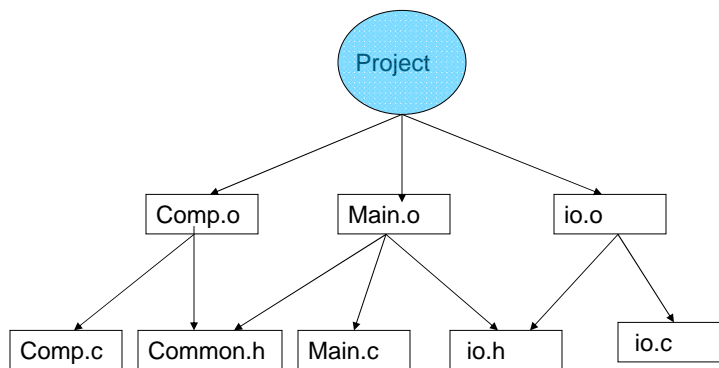


- We can produce the `.o` file using
- `cc -c File.c`

Compilation

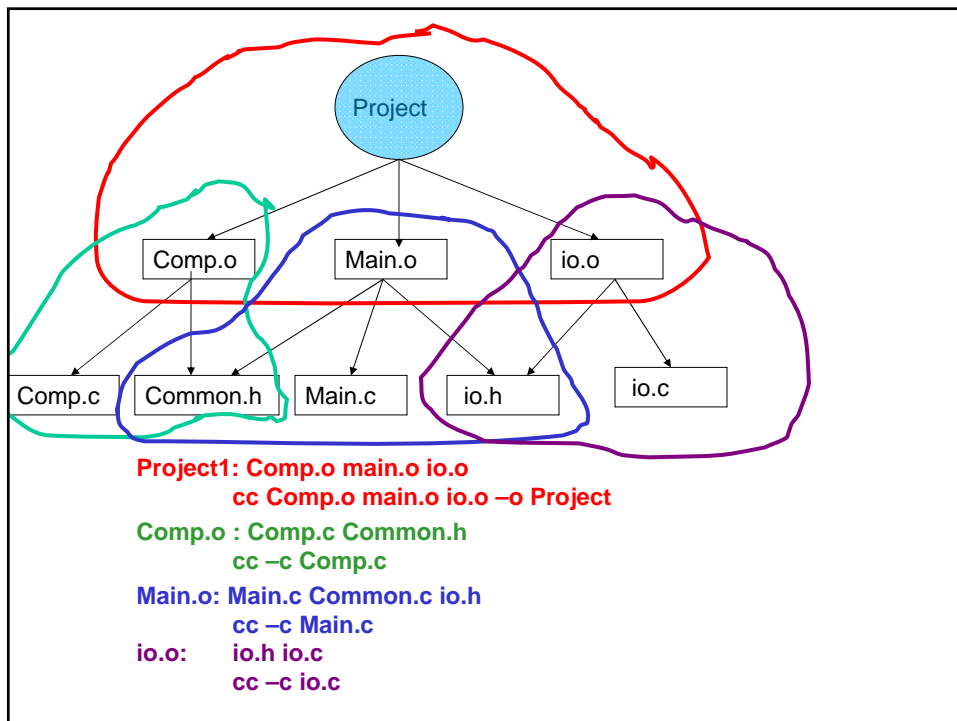
- Usually, your program will be divided into several files.
- Be careful with global variables and functions name.
- Every file will be compiled into its .o
- Finally, all the .o files can be compiled to produce a.out
- `cc File.o Myfunc.o`

Dependency Graph



Compilation

- If we changed one file, there is no need to recompile all the files.
- Make files are used to manage that
- The name of the file is makefile or Makefile



Makefile

- Each dependency is handled as
Target: source files
 Command (preceded by a tab)
- To compile just type **make**

Macros in Makefile

```
OBJECTS = Comp.o Main.o io.o
Project: $(OBJECTS)
    gcc $(OBJECTS) -o Project
Comp.o: Comp.c Common.h
    gcc -c Comp.c
Main.o: Main.c Common.h io.h
    gcc -c Main.c
io.o: io.c io.h
    gcc -c io.c
```

Standard C Library

- **assert.h**
- **ctype.h**
- **errno.h**
- **math.h**
- **limits.h**
- **signal.h**
- **stdarg.h**
- **stddef.h**
- **stdio.h**
- **stdlib.h**
- **string.h**
- **time.h**
- assertions
- character mappings
- error numbers
- math functions
- metrics for ints
- signal handling
- variable length arg lists
- standard definitions
- standard I/O
- standard library functions
- string functions
- date/type functions

Standard C Libraries

- • Utility functions **stdlib.h**
 - **atoi**, **atoi**, **rand**, **qsort**, **getenv**,
 - **calloc**, **malloc**, **free**, **abort**, **exit**
- • String handling **string.h**
 - **strcmp**, **strncmp**, **strcpy**, **strncpy**, **strcat**,
 - **strncat**, **strchr**, **strlen**, **memcpy**, **memcmp**
- • Character classifications **ctype.h**
 - **isdigit**, **isalpha**, **isspace**, **isupper**, **islower**
- • Mathematical functions **math.h**
 - **sin**, **cos**, **tan**, **ceil**, **floor**, **exp**, **log**, **sqrt**