

Week 6 Lecture 1: Compiling!



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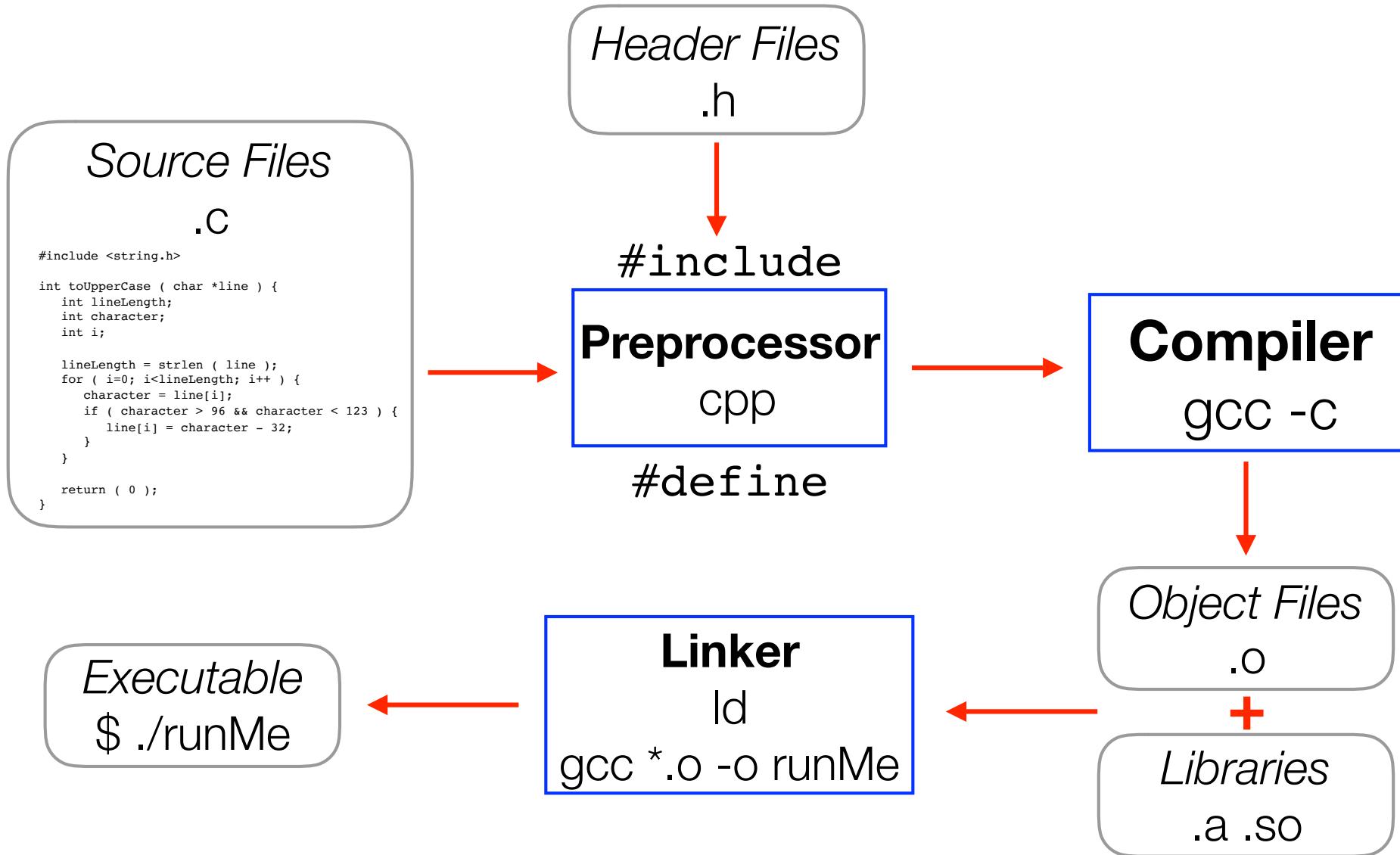


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Compiling and Linking

What has been going
on when you use
gcc?



Compilation and Linking

Compiling and Linking: The Preprocessor

- The preprocessor is a separate program (`cpp`) that is invoked automatically by the compiler before compilation begins.
- Your source code file is written into an expanded source code file directed by the preprocessor commands.
- Preprocessor **directives** start with the pound sign (#).
- You already know the most important ones: `#include` and `#define`.

Preprocessor Directives

- **#include** - paste code of a given file into the current file
- **#define** - defines a macro which is a segment of code which is replaced by the value of macro
- **#undef** - cancel the definition of a macro
- **#ifdef** - checks if a macro is defined by **#define**. If yes, it executes the code.
- **#ifndef** - checks if a macro is not defined by **#define**. If yes, it executes the code.

#define

```
#include <stdio.h>
#define PI 3.141592653589793
int main() {
    printf("%16.15f\n",PI);
}
```

```
$ ./preproc1
3.141592653589793
```

#undef

```
#include <stdio.h>
#define PI 3.141592653589793
int main() {
    printf("%16.15f\n",PI);
#undef PI
    printf("%16.15f\n",PI);
}
```

```
$ gcc -ansi preproc2.c -o preproc2
preproc2.c:6:23: error: use of undeclared identifier
'PI'
    printf("%16.15f\n",PI);
                           ^
1 error generated.
```

```
#ifdef, #ifndef, #endif
```

```
#include <stdio.h>
#define PI 3.141592653589793
int main() {
#ifndef PI
    printf( "%16.15f\n", PI );
#endif

#ifndef PLANCK
    printf( "No Planck's Constant\n" );
#endif
}
```

\$./preproc3
3.141592653589793
No Planck's Constant

Preprocessor Directives

- **#if** - evaluates an expression or condition. If it is true, it executes the code.
- **#else** - if condition of #if is false the the #else code is executed. It can be used with #if, #elif, #ifdef and #ifndef.
- **#elif** - else if construct
- **#endif** - ends an if-else set of statements

#if, #else, #endif

```
#include <stdio.h>
#define PI 3.141592653589793
#define PFLAG 1
int main() {
#if PFLAG == 1
    printf("Value of pi is: %8.7f\n",PI);
#else
    printf("Value of pi is undefined");
#endif
}
```

```
$ ./preproc4
Value of pi is: 3.1415927
```

#if, #else, #endif

```
#include <stdio.h>
#define PI 3.141592653589793
#define PFLAG 0
int main() {
#if PFLAG == 1
    printf("Value of pi is: %8.7f\n",PI);
#else
    printf("Value of pi is undefined\n");
#endif
}
```

```
$ ./preproc5
Value of pi is undefined
```

Preprocessor Directives

- **#error** - causes the preprocessor to report a fatal error. The rest of the line following **#error** are used as the error message.
- **#warning** - causes the preprocessor to report a warning.
- **#pragma** - used to provide additional information to the compiler. The **#pragma** directive is used by the compiler to offer machine or operating-system features.

#error

```
#include <stdio.h>
#define __OSX 1
int main() {
#endif __OSX
#error "Will not work on OSX. See
documentation."
#endif
}
```

```
$ gcc -ansi preproc6.c -o preproc6
preproc6.c:7:2: error: "Will not work on OSX. See
documentation."
#error "Will not work on OSX. See documentation."
^
1 error generated.
```

#warning

```
#include <stdio.h>
#define __OSX 1
int main() {
#endif __OSX
#warning "Will not work well on OSX. See documentation."
#endif
printf ( "Just a warning\n" );
}
```

```
$ gcc -ansi preproc7.c -o preproc7
preproc7.c:7:2: warning: "Will not work well on OSX. See
documentation. [-W#warnings]
#warning "Will not work well on OSX. See documentation.
^
1 warning generated.
$ ./preproc7
Just a warning
```

#pragma

```
#include <stdio.h>
#pragma GCC poison atoi
int main ( int argc, char *argv[ ] ) {
    int num;
    if ( argc > 1 ) {
        num = atoi ( argv[ 1 ] );
    }
}
```

```
$ gcc -ansi preproc8.c -o preproc8
preproc8.c:8:13: error: attempt to use a poisoned
identifier
    num = atoi ( argv[ 1 ] );
               ^
1 error generated.
```

The Compiler

- The compiler converts the C source code into object code and puts it into a file ending in ".o"
- An object files contains the binary version of the source code.
- Object code is not directly executable.
- To be executable, you have to add code for all of the library functions used by the program.

The Linker

- The linker *links* together object files (`.o` files) into a binary executable.
- This includes
 - object files created from your source code files
 - object files that have been pre-compiled and collected into library files. These files have names ending in `.a` or `.so`.

File Types

- Source code files (**.c**) contain function definitions.
- Header files (**.h**) contain function declarations and preprocessor statements. They connect the source code files to externally-defined functions.
- Object files (**.o**) are produced as the output of the compiler. They are not executable by themselves.
- Binary executables are produced as the output of the linker. They can be directly executed.



Compiler Options

What else is on the
gcc command line?

Compiler Options

- Specify the Output Executable Name

```
$ gcc main.c -o main
```

- Enable all warnings

```
$ gcc -Wall main.c -o main
```

- Produce only the compiled code

```
$ gcc -c main.c
```

Compiler Options

- Link with shared libraries

```
$ gcc -Wall main.c -o main -lm
```

- Enable the support of ISO C89 style

```
$ gcc -Wall -ansi main.c -o main
```



make

Can we make
this easier?

make

- make is a UNIX tool to simplify building program executables from many modules.
- make reads in rules (specified as a list of target entries) from a Makefile.
- make will only re-build things that need to be re-built (object or executables that depend on files that have been modified since the last time the objects or executables were built).

Creating a Makefile

- A **Makefile** consists of variable definitions, target entries for building specific targets (typically .o & executable files) or executing a set of commands associated with a target label.
- The following is the generic target entry form:

```
# The <tab> in the command line is necessary  
target: dependencies/prerequisites (.c,.h)  
        <tab> recipe/commands
```

Creating a Makefile

```
#  
# target to build executable from main  
# and myfunc object files  
  
#  
main: main.o myfunc.o  
    gcc -Wall -ansi -o main main.o myfunc.o  
  
main.o main.c  
    gcc -c -Wall -ansi main.c  
  
myfunc.o myfunc.c  
    gcc -c -Wall -ansi myfunc.c
```

Creating a Makefile

```
# the compiler: gcc for C programs
CC = gcc
# compiler flags:
# -Wall -ansi
CFLAGS = -ansi -Wall
main: main.c
    $(CC) $(CFLAGS) -o main main.c
    gcc -ansi -Wall -o main main.c
```

Using make

- If you have a **Makefile** then you can build the executables (targets) by typing:

```
$ make
```

- A specific target in the **Makefile** can be built by typing:

```
$ make target_label
```

```
$ make findWords
```

Makefile

```
textRW: textRW.c
        gcc -ansi -Wall -o textRW textRW.c

testConvert: testConvert.o convertLowerCase.o
        gcc -ansi -Wall -o testConvert \
testConvert.o convertLowerCase.o

testConvert.o: testConvert.c
        gcc -ansi -Wall -c testConvert.c

convertLowerCase.o: convertLowerCase.c
        gcc -ansi -Wall -c convertLowerCase.c
```

```
findWords: findWords.o chop.o convertLowerCase.o \
replaceDigits.o replacePunc.o reduceSpace.o trim.o
    gcc -ansi -Wall -o findWords findWords.o chop.o \
convertLowerCase.o replaceDigits.o replacePunc.o \
reduceSpace.o trim.o
```

```
findWords.o: findWords.c
    gcc -ansi -Wall -c findWords.c
```

```
chop.o: chop.c
    gcc -ansi -Wall -c chop.c
```

```
replaceDigits.o: replaceDigits.c
    gcc -ansi -Wall -c replaceDigits.c
```

```
replacePunc.o: replacePunc.c
    gcc -ansi -Wall -c replacePunc.c
```

```
reduceSpace.o: reduceSpace.c
    gcc -ansi -Wall -c reduceSpace.c
```

```
trim.o: trim.c
    gcc -ansi -Wall -c trim.c
```