

Functions

Preprocessor

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`#include <stdio.h>`

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allows macro

Note:

- traditionally starts in column 1 (but not necessary)
- typically occurs at the beginning of a file, however, may occur on any line inside or outside function definition

Preprocessor directives

Directive	Meaning
<code>#include</code>	Include the contents of a text file.
<code>#define</code>	Define a macro.
<code>#undef</code>	Cancel a previous <code>#define</code> .
<code>#if</code>	If a test succeeds, take specified action.
<code>#ifdef</code>	If a macro is defined, take specified actions.
<code>#ifndef</code>	Opposite of <code>#ifdef</code> --if a macro is not defined, take specified actions.
<code>#else</code>	If the previous <code>#if</code> , <code>#ifdef</code> , or <code>#ifndef</code> fails, take specified actions.
<code>#endif</code>	Mark the end of an <code>#if</code> , <code>#ifdef</code> , or <code>#ifndef</code> body.
<code>#elif</code>	“Else if”--a way around nested <code>#if</code> - <code>#else</code> constructs.
<code>#line</code>	Set line number for the compiler to use when issuing warning or error messages.
<code>#error</code>	Specify a compile-time error and an accompanying message.
<code>#pragma</code>	Provide implementation-specific information to the compiler.
<code>#</code>	Ignore this line.

- **File Inclusions**

`#include <stdio.h>`

a directory already known to the operating system.

`#include "myfile.h"`

to be found in the working (generally the current) directory.

`#include "/home/user1/general_include/my_own_include_file"`

System Header File	Purpose
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ctype.h	Functions for testing and modifying characters .
float.h	Describes local floating-point conditions
limits.h	Describes local integer conditions
math.h	Math functions
setjmp.h	Nonlocal jumps
signal.h	Exception handling ;
stdarg.h	Functions with an arbitrary number of arguments .
stdio.h	input/output
stdlib.h	General utilities .
string.h	String-handling functions .
time.h	Time functions .

- **Using One File Inclusion**

build file called all .h

```
#include <stdio.h>
```

```
#include <stdlib.h>
```

```
#include <math.h>
```

```
#include "myfile.h"
```

So, in program we only need contain the line

```
#include "all.h"
```

If include file has been modified, all functions must be re-compiled

- **Macros**

```
#define EOF (-1)
```

```
#define NormalMeetings 3  
#define SpecialMeetings 2  
#define TimePerMeeting 20
```

```
#define TotalMeetings    NormalMeetings + SpecialMeetings
```

```
/* The macro TotalMeetings expand into  $3 + 2 = 5$  */
```

```
/* This is not ideal: think about TotalMeetings * <a variable>;*/
```

```
#define NormalMeetings    3
#define SpecialMeetings   2
#define TimePerMeeting    20
#define TotalMeetings     NormalMeetings + SpecialMeetings
```

Macro performs simple substitution

```
#define TotalTime          TotalMeetings * TimePerMeeting
```

is equivalent to

```
#define TotalTime  NormalMeetings + SpecialMeetings* TimePerMeeting
```

/* The macro TotalTime expand into $3 + 2 * 20 = 43$ instead of 100.

```
#define TotalMeetings      (NormalMeetings + SpecialMeetings)
```


Note:

```
#define TRUE 1  
#define TRUE 2    /*(illegal)*/
```

```
#define TRUE 1  
#undef TRUE  
#define TRUE 2    /*legal*/
```

Multi-line definition

```
#define TotalMeetings \ /* carry over to next line */  
    ( NormalMeetings + SpecialMeetings ) /*legal*/
```

Parameterized Macros

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#define PRINT5( a1, a2, a3, a4 ) \
    printf ( "\n%c\t%c\t%d\t%f", (a1), (a2), (a3), (a4) )
/* no space between PRINT5 and '(' */
main ( ) {
    char c1 = 'C', c2 = 'Z';
    int num = 999;
    float fnum = 66.0;
    /* preprocessor substitutes PRINT5 by printf */
    PRINT5 ( c1, c2, num + 1 , fnum ) ; /* space between PRINT5 &
                                         '(' is fine here */
    return EXIT_SUCCESS;
}
```


The output is

C	Z	1000	66.000000
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Parameterized Macros Versus Functions

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#define min( x, y ) ( ( x) < (y) ) ? (x) : (y)
int max ( int x, int y );
main ( ) {
    int n1, n2;
    printf ( "\n1st num: " ); scanf ( "%d", &n1 );
    printf ( "\n2st num: " ); scanf ( "%d", &n2 );

    printf ( "\n\nMin: %d\tMax: %d\n", min (n1, n2), max ( n1, n2 ) );
    return EXIT_SUCCESS;
}
int max ( int x, int y ) {
    return ( x > y ) ? x : y;
}
```



The diagram illustrates the difference between a macro and a function. A red arrow points from the word "macro" to the `min` macro call in the code. A blue arrow points from the word "function" to the `max` function call in the code.

- No arguments are passed to parameterized macro (min)
- parameterized macro returns no value
- preprocessor merely replaces macro with the definition

min(num1, num2)

by

((num1) < (num2)) ? (num1) : (num2))

- More efficient than function

Function calls

- have an associated overhead
- system must copy any arguments passed to the function
keep track of where to resume program execution when the function returns, and so on
- No type checking of arguments in macros

Advantage: above example, the macro min can find the minimum of any two numeric data types (float, int, double, etc.)

Disadvantage: can introduce errors that are difficult to uncover. Above example, the macro min also produces some value, presumably useless, when one argument is a string and the other is a float.

- Macros can produce surprising and unpredictable side effects

```
#define square( x )      (x) * (x)
```

```
    a = 3;  
    b = square ( a++ );
```

above is expanded as

```
    b = (a++)*(a++);
```

implementation 1:

```
    a =4; a++ =3; a=5; a++=4; --> b=12
```

implementation 2:

```
    a++=3; a++ =3; a =4; a=5; --> b=9
```

```
int square (int x)
{
    return x*x;
}
```

a=3;

b=square(a++);

a ->4

b -> 9

Miscellaneous Directives

```
#undef TRUE  
#ifdef BIG_TABLE  
#define ROWS 1000  
#define COLUMNS 1000  
#endif
```

```
#ifndef BIG_TABLE  
#define ROWS 1000  
#define COLUMNS 1000  
#endif
```



```
# if defined (Big_table) && !defined (small_table)
# define row 1000
# define column 1000
#define table_size (row*column)
#endif
```

```
#if defined(SUN)
#define greeting printf("welcome to sun\n")
#elif defined(IBM)
#define greeting printf("welcome to IBM\n");
...
#else
#greeting printf("welcome to no-brand name\n");
#endif
```

Exercises 5.6

- (T/F) Each macro requires a separate `#define` directive to create it
- Find the syntax error

```
#define PLUS
```

```
+
```

- `#define TIMES2(num) 2*num`
What is the expression `TIMES2(4+5)`?
What is the expression `TIMES2((4+5))`?