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## L1: Coding Style

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### Good coding style

- Meaningful variable names;
- Consistent indentation;
- Well tested, documented and commented;
- Rule of D-R-Y: Don't repeat yourself;

The following is a good function example.

```
class Student{
    // represents a JI student.
    string name;
    string major;
    int stud_id;
    bool graduated;

public:
    Student(string name="default", string major="ece", int stud_id=0, bool
graduated=false);
    // EFFECTS : create a new student.

    bool compMajor(const Student &stud) const;
    // EFFECTS : return true if "this" student has the same major as "stud",
    //           return false otherwise.

    bool hasGraduated() const;
    // EFFECTS : return true if "this" student has graduated,
    //           return false otherwise.
```

```
void changeMajor(string new_major);
// MODIFIES : "major",
// EFFECTS : set "major" to "new_major".
};
```

## Bad coding style

- Vague variable names;
- Arbitrary indentation;
- Put all the implementation into main function.
- Repeat part of your code or have codes of similar function;
- Long function. Say 200+ lines in a one function;
- Too many arguments for one function. Say functions of 20+ arguments;

The following is a bad function example.

```
int poly_evaluation(int x, int *coef, unsigned int d)
{
    int r = 0, p = 1;
    for(int i = 0; i <= d; i++){
        r += coef[i] * p;
        p *= x;}
    return r;}
```

## L2: Intro to Linux

### Shell/Terminal

The program that interprets user commands and provides feedbacks is called a **shell**. Users interact with the computer through the shell. And **Terminal** provides an input and output environment for commands.

The general syntax for shell is `executable_file arg1 arg2 arg3 ...`.

- Arguments begin with `-` are called "switches" or "options";
  - one dash `-` switches are called short switches, e. g. `-l`, `-a`. Short switch always uses a single letter and case matters. Multiple short switches can often be specified at once. e. g. `-al` = `-a -l`.
  - Two dashes `--` switches are called long switches, e. g. `--all`, `--block-size=M`. Long switches use whole words other than acronyms.
  - For many programs, long switches have its equivalent short form, e. g. `--help` = `-h`

### Basic Commands

The following are some basic Linux commands.

- `man <command>`: display the manual for a certain command (**very useful!**)
  - Browse the manual using the same commands as for `less`

- `pwd` : print the path of current working directory.
- `cd <directory>` : change directory.
  - For example, `cd ../` brings you to your parent directory.
- `ls <directory>` : list the files under the directory.
  - Argument:
    - If no arguments are given, list the working directory (equivalent to `ls .`).
    - If the argument is a directory, list that directory ( `ls <directory>` ).
  - Optional arguments:
    - `-a` List hidden files as well. File name with leading dot means "hidden".
    - `-l` List files in long format.
- `mkdir <directory-name>` : make directory.
- `rmdir <directory>` : remove directory.
  - Only empty directories can be removed successfully.
- `touch <filename>` : create a new empty file.
- `rm <file>` : remove the file.
  - This is an extremely dangerous command. See the famous [bumblebee accident](#).
  - Optional arguments:
    - `-i` : prompt user before removal, and put it into `~/.bashrc`
    - `-r` Deletes files/folders recursively. **Folders requires this option**, e. g. ( `rm -r testDir/` )
    - `-f` Force remove. Ignores warnings.
- `cp <source> <destination>` : copy.
  - Takes 2 arguments: `source` and `destination`.
  - Be very careful if both source and destination are existing folders (if the destination doesn't exist, it will be created first).
  - `-r` Copy files/folders recursively. **Folders requires this option**.
  - Variations:
    - `cp -r <dir1> <dir2>` : If `dir2` does not exist, copy `dir1` as `dir2`. If `dir2` exists, copy `dir1` inside `dir2`.
    - `cp <file1> <file2>` : copy the content of file1 into file2 (the content of `file2` will be covered and replaced by the content of `file1`).
    - `cp <file1> <dir>` : copy file into a directory.
      - `cp <file1> <file2> <dir>` (copy two files into one directory)
      - `cp file* <dir>` ( `*` : wildcard. Can represent any character string, even an empty string!), and this will copy all the files that begin with `file` into the directory.
- `mv <source> <dest>` : move.
  - Takes 2 arguments: `source` and `dest`.
  - Be very careful if both source and destination are existing folders.
  - Variations:
    - `mv <file1> <file2>` : **rename** `file1` as `file2`
    - `mv <file> <dir>` : move `file` into a directory

- `mv <dir1> <dir2>`: If `dir2` does not exist, **rename** `dir1` as `dir2`. If `dir2` exists, move `dir1` inside `dir2`.
- `cat <file1> <file2> ...`: **concatenate**.
  - Takes one or multiple arguments, **concatenate** and print their complete content one by one to `stdout`.
  - `cat <file>` Basically show the file content.
- `less <file1> <file2> ...`: display the content of the files
  - `Less` is a program similar to `more`, but it has many more features. `Less` does not have to read the entire input file before starting, so with large input files it starts up faster than text editors like `vi`.
  - quit `less`: press `q`
  - go to the end of the file: press `G` (`shift+g`)
  - go to the beginning: press `g`
  - search: press `/`, then enter the thing to be searched, press `n` for the next match, press `N` for the previous match
  - \*multiple files: enter `:n` to view the next file, enter `:p` to view the previous one
- `diff`: compare the difference between 2 files.
  - If files are the same, no output.
  - If there are differences: lines after "<" are from the first file; lines after ">" are from the second file.
  - In a summary line: `c`: change; `a`: add; `d`: delete
  - `-y` Side by side view;
  - `-w` Ignore white spaces (space, tab).
- `nano` and `gedit`: basic command line file editor.
  - Advanced editors like `vim` and `emacs` can be used also.
  - If you try `vim`: just in case you get stuck in this beginner-unfriendly editor...the way to exit `vim` is to press `ESC` and type `:q!`. See [how do i exit vim](#).
- Auto completion: type a few characters; then press `Tab`
  - If there is a single match, Linux completes the remaining.
  - If there are multiple matches, hit the second time, Linux shows all the possible candidates.
- `sudo apt-get install <program>`: install a program.
  - `sudo` command: execute command as a superuser, and requires you to type your password.
- `sudo apt-get autoremove <program>`: remove a program.

## IO Redirection

Most command line programs can accept inputs from standard input (keyboard by default) and display their results on the standard output (display by default).

- `executable < inputfile` Use inputfile as `stdin` of executable.
- `executable > outputfile` Write the `stdout` of `executable` into outputfile.
  - Note this command always truncates the file.
  - Outputfile will be created if it is not already there.
- `executable >> outputfile` **Append** the `stdout` of executable into outputfile.
  - Outputfile will be created if it is not already there.

- `exe1 | exe2` Pipe. Connects the `stdout` of `exe1` to `stdin` of `exe2`.
  - e.g., `./add < squareofsum.in | ./square > squareofsum.out`

They can be used in one command line. Like `executable < inputfile > outputfile`.

## Linux Filesystem

Directories in Linux are organized as a tree. Consider the following example:

```

/                               //root
├─ home/                       //users's files
│   ├── username1
│   ├── username2
│   ├── username3
│   └─ ...
├─ usr/                        //Unix system resources
│   ├── lib
│   └─ ...
├─ dev/                        //devices
├─ bin/                        //binaries
├─ etc/                        //configuration files
├─ var/
└─ ...

```

There are some special characters for directories.

- root directory: `/`
  - The top most directory in Linux filesystem.
- home directory: `~`
  - Linux is multi-user. The home directory is where you can store all your personal information, files, login scripts.
  - In Linux, it is equivalent to `/home/<username>`.
- current directory: `.`
- parent directory: `..`

## File Permissions

The general syntax for long format is

```
<permission> <link> <owner> <group> <file_size>(in bytes) <modified_time>
<file_name>.
```

```

dr-xr-xr-x 1 jess jess    4096 Mar 19  2019 diagnostics
----- 1 jess jess    11433 Jun  9 00:25 diagwrn.xml
dr-xr-xr-x 1 jess jess    4096 Jun  9 00:12 en-US
-r-xr-xr-x 2 jess jess 4625184 Aug 14 01:17 explorer.exe
-r-xr-xr-x 2 jess jess   18432 Mar 19  2019 hh.exe
-r-xr-xr-x 2 jess jess   43131 Mar 19  2019 mib.bin
-r-xr-xr-x 3 jess jess   181248 Jun  9 00:15 notepad.exe
-r-xr-xr-x 2 jess jess   358400 Mar 19  2019 regedit.exe
dr-xr-xr-x 1 jess jess    4096 Mar 19  2019 rescache

```

```
dr-xr-xr-x 1 jess jess 4096 Mar 19 2019 schemas
dr-xr-xr-x 1 jess jess 4096 Mar 19 2019 security
dr-xr-xr-x 1 jess jess 4096 Aug 14 01:51 servicing
-r-xr-xr-x 1 jess jess 1333 Sep 4 13:11 setupact.log
-r-xr-xr-x 1 jess jess 0 Jun 9 00:21 setuperr.log
-r-xr-xr-x 2 jess jess 165376 Jul 16 06:16 splwow64.exe
-r-xr-xr-x 1 jess jess 219 Sep 15 2018 system.ini
drwxrwxrwx 1 jess jess 4096 Mar 19 2019 tracing
dr-xr-xr-x 1 jess jess 4096 Jun 9 00:17 twain_32
```

In total, 10 characters for permission syntax:

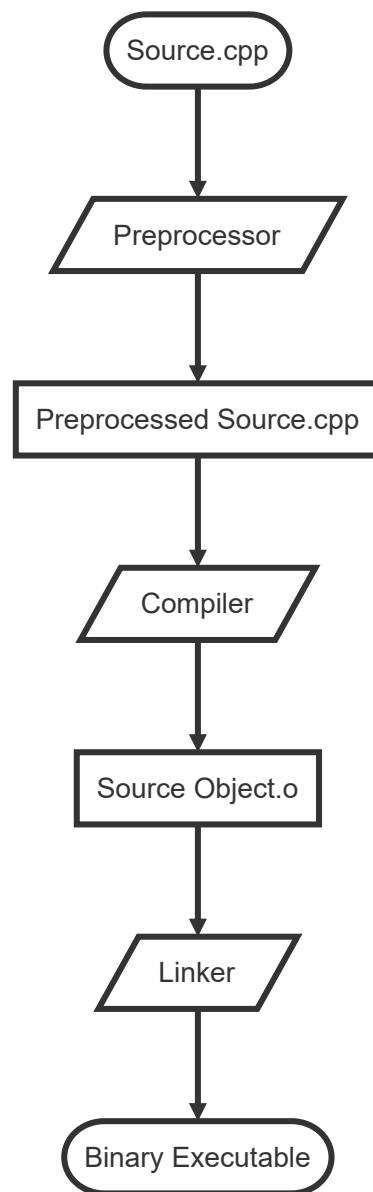
- char 1: Type. `-` for regular file and `d` for directory.
- char 2-4: Owner permission. `r` for read, `w` for write, `x` for execute.
- char 5-7: Group permission. `r` for read, `w` for write, `x` for execute.
- char 8-10: Permission for everyone else. `r` for read, `w` for write, `x` for execute.

## L3: Compile a Program

### Compilation Process

For now just have a boarder picture of what's going on. Details will be discussed in the upper level courses.

- **Preprocessing** in `g++` is purely textual.
  - `#include` simply copy the content
  - Conditional compilation (`#ifdef`, `#ifndef`, `#else`, ...) directives simply deletes unused branch.
- **Compiler**: Compiles the `.c` / `.cpp` file into object code.
  - Details of this part will be discussed in UM EECS 483, Compiler Structure. Many CE students with research interest in this field also take EECS 583, Advanced Compiler.
- **Linker**: Links object files into an executable.
  - Details of this part will be discussed in JI VE 370 / UM EECS 370, Computer Organization.



## g++

Preprocessor, compiler and linker used to be separate. Now `g++` combines them into one, thus is an all-in-one tool. By default, `g++` takes source files and generate executable. You can perform individual steps with options.

Compile in one command: `g++ -o program source1.cpp source2.cpp`. (header files don't need to be included)

Run the program: `./program`

In steps:

- Compile: `g++ -c source1.cpp;`  
`g++ -c source2.cpp;`
- Link: `g++ -o program source1.o source2.o.`

Some options for `g++`:

- `-o <out>` Name the output file as . Outputs `a.out` if not present.
- `-std=` Specify C++ standard.
- `-g`: Put debugging information in the executable file

- `-Wall` Report all warnings. **Do turn `-Wall` on during tests.**
- `-c` Only compiles the file (Can not take multiple arguments).
- `-E` Only pre-processes the file (Can not take multiple arguments).

**Note:** Object code (\*.o) is not equivalent to executable code. Object code is **a portion of machine code** that hasn't yet been linked into a complete program.

## Multiple Source Files

Two types of files:

(1) header files (.h) : class definitions and function **declarations**

```
//add.h
#ifndef ADD_H
#define ADD_H
int add(int a, int b);
#endif
```

(2) C++ source files (.cpp) : member functions of classes and function **definitions** (or implementations)

```
//add.cpp
int add(int a, int b)
{
    return a+b;
}
```

add.h and add.cpp complete a function `add( )`

If we want to use this function `add( )` in another file (run\_add.cpp), we should put `#include "add.h"`:

```
//run_add.cpp
#include "add.h"
int main()
{
    add(2,3);
    return 0;
}
```

## Header Guard



```
//add.h
#ifdeff ADD_H // test whether ADD_H has not been defined before
#define ADD_H
int add(int a, int b);
#endif
```

Notes: If `ADD_H` has not been defined before, `#ifdef` succeeds and all lines up to `#endif` are processed. Otherwise, `#ifdef` fails and all lines between `#ifdef` and `#endif` are ignored.

What will happen for the following two header files, with/without header guard in add.h?

### my\_project1.h

```
#include "add.h"
...
```

### my\_project2.h

```
#include "add.h"
#include "my_project1.h"
```

Including of a header file more than once may cause multiple definitions of the classes and functions defined in the header file.

With a header guard, we guarantee that the definition in the header is just seen once.

## Makefile (very important)

```
all:run_add

run_add:run_add.o add.o
    g++ -o run_add run_add.o add.o

run_add.o: run_add.cpp
    g++ -c run_add.cpp

add.o: add.cpp
    g++ -c add.cpp

clean:
    rm -f run_add *.o
```

- Rule:

```
Target:Dependency
<Tab>Command
```

Dependency: A list of files that the target depends on.

- Steps to use

1. Write the file and make the file name as **"Makefile"**.

2. Type **"make"** on command-line, then it does the work correspondingly.
3. The command will be issued when the dependency is more recent than target.

- All Target:
  - It is the default target.
  - Its dependency is program name.
  - It has no command.
- Clean Target:
  - Type **"make clean"**, and what will it do according to the makefile shown above?
  - It has no dependency!

## Exercise

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1. Given the file `ex1.sh`, there are 5 of such lines in the script that are marked as **TODO** comments: Please finish this script by replacing the TODO s with a Linux command line you learned from lecture.
  - Create a directory named sql/ - **create**
  - Copy the file sql/database.txt to the directory webserver/ - **dump**
  - List all files in directory webserver/ - **list**
  - Display webserver/database.txt in stdout - **display**
  - Remove the webserver/ and sql/ directorie - **destroy**

To test the script, please first make it executable by running

```
chmod +x ./ex1.sh
```

Then, you can test the script by running the following commands and observe the results.

```
./ex1.sh create
./ex1.sh dump
./ex1.sh list
./ex1.sh display
./ex1.sh destroy
```

2. Write the makefile according to the provided source files, and name the final executable program as `"whole_story"`. Test it by type "make" in the terminal by yourself to see the effect!

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