

Files in C



What is a file?

- **A named collection of data, stored in secondary storage (typically).**
- **Typical operations on files:**
 - **Open**
 - **Read**
 - **Write**
 - **Close**
- **How is a file stored?**
 - **Stored as sequence of bytes, logically contiguous (may not be physically contiguous on disk).**



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- The last byte of a file contains the end-of-file character (**EOF**), with ASCII code **1A** (hex).
 - While reading a text file, the EOF character can be checked to know the end.
 - **Two kinds of files:**
 - **Text :: contains ASCII codes only**
 - **Binary :: can contain non-ASCII characters**
 - Image, audio, video, executable, etc.
 - To check the end of file here, the **file size** value (also stored on disk) needs to be checked.



File handling in C

- In C we use **FILE *** to represent a pointer to a file.
- **fopen** is used to open a file. It returns the special value **NULL** to indicate that it is unable to open the file.

```
FILE *fptr;  
char filename[] = "file2.dat";  
fptr = fopen (filename, "w");  
if (fptr == NULL) {  
    printf ("ERROR IN FILE CREATION");  
    /* DO SOMETHING */  
}
```



Modes for opening files

- The second argument of **fopen** is the **mode** in which we open the file. There are three modes.
 - "r"** opens a file for reading.
 - "w"** creates a file for writing, and writes over all previous contents (deletes the file so be careful!).
 - "a"** opens a file for appending – writing on the end of the file.
- We can add a **"b"** character to indicate that the file is a **binary** file.
 - **"rb"**, **"wb"** or **"ab"**

```
fptr = fopen ("xyz.jpg", "rb");
```

- Table of file open modes:

Mode	Description
r	Open a file for reading.
w	Create a file for writing. If the file already exists, discard the current contents.
a	Append; open or create a file for writing at end of file.
r+	Open a file for update (reading and writing).
w+	Create a file for update. If the file already exists, discard the current contents.
a+	Append; open or create a file for update; writing is done at the end of the file.



Writing a File :

```
#include<stdio.h>

int main(){
    FILE *fp;
    int ch;
    fp=fopen("abc.txt","w");
    printf("Enter text! ^Z");
    while((ch=getchar())!=EOF){
        fputc(ch,fp);
    }
    printf("\n File Written  
Successfully!");
    fclose(fp);
}
```

Reading from a File :

```
#include<stdio.h>

int main(){
    FILE *fp;
    int ch;
    fp=fopen("abc.txt","r");
    printf("Enter text! ^Z");
    while((ch=fgetc(fp))!=EOF){
        printf("%c",ch);
    }
    fclose(fp);
}
```



Reading and writing a file

```
int main(){
FILE *fp1,*fp2;
int ch;
fp1=fopen("xyz.txt","w");
if(fp1==NULL){
    printf("Couldn't able to write!");
    return;
}
fp2=fopen("abc.txt","r");
if(fp2==NULL){
    printf("Couldn't able to read!");
    return;
}
while((ch=fgetc(fp2))!=EOF){
    fputc(ch,fp1);
}
fclose(fp1);
fclose(fp2);
}
```



Closing a file

- We can close a file simply using **fclose()** and the file pointer.

```
FILE *fptr;  
char filename[] = "myfile.dat";  
fptr = fopen (filename, "w");  
if (fptr == NULL) {  
    printf ("Cannot open file to write!\n");  
    exit(-1);  
}  
fprintf (fptr, "Hello World of filing!\n");  
fclose (fptr);
```



Reading lines from a file using `fgets()`

We can read a string using `fgets()` .

```
FILE *fptr;  
char line [1000];  
/* Open file and check it is open */  
while (fgets(line,1000,fptr) != NULL)  
{  
    printf ("Read line %s\n",line);  
}
```

`fgets()` takes 3 arguments – a string, maximum number of characters to read, and a file pointer. It returns `NULL` if there is an error (such as `EOF`).



fgets()

```
#include<stdio.h>
#include<string.h>
int main(){
    FILE *fp1;
    char str[80];
    fp1=fopen("test","r");
    if(fp1==NULL){
        printf("Couldn't able to write!");
        return;
    }
    printf("\n Enter the text..end with ^Z");

    while(fgets(str,80,fp1)!=NULL){
        puts(str);
    }
    fclose(fp1);
}
```



fputs()

```
#include<stdio.h>
#include<string.h>
int main(){
    FILE *fp1;
    char str[80];
    fp1=fopen("test","w");
    if(fp1==NULL){
        printf("Couldn't able to write!");
        return;
    }
    printf("\n Enter the text..end with ^Z");

    while(gets(str)!=NULL){
        strcat(str,"\n");
        fputs(str,fp1);
    }
    fclose(fp1);
}
```



Writing to a file using fprintf()

- **fprintf()** works just like **printf()** and **sprintf()** except that its first argument is a file pointer.

```
FILE *fptr;  
Fptr = fopen ("file.dat", "w");  
/* Check it's open */  
  
fprintf (fptr, "Hello World!\n");  
fprintf (fptr, "%d %d", a, b);
```



Reading Data Using fscanf()

- We also read data from a file using `fscanf()` .

```
FILE *fptr;  
fptr = fopen ("input.dat", "r");  
/* Check it's open */  
if (fptr == NULL)  
{  
    printf("Error in opening file \n");  
}  
fscanf (fptr, "%d %d",&x, &y);
```





1. Initialize variables and FILE pointer

1.1 Link the pointer to a file

2. Input data

2.1 Write to file (fprintf)

3. Close file

```
1 // ss -> 09-03-2018
2 Create a sequential file */
3 #include <stdio.h>
4
5 int main()
6 {
7     int account;
8     char name[ 30 ];
9     double balance;
10    FILE *cfPtr; /* cfPtr = clients.dat file pointer */
11
12    if ( ( cfPtr = fopen( "clients.dat", "w" ) ) == NULL )
13        printf( "File could not be opened\n" );
14    else {
15        printf( "Enter the account, name, and balance.\n" );
16        printf( "Enter EOF to end input.\n" );
17
18        scanf( "%d%s%lf", &account, name, &balance );
19
20        while ( !feof( stdin ) ) { // feof() - to detect EOF
21            fprintf( cfPtr, "%d %s %.2f\n",
22                    account, name, balance );
23
24            scanf( "%d%s%lf", &account, name, &balance );
25        }
26
27        fclose( cfPtr );
28    }
29
30    return 0;
31 }
```

1. Initialize variables

1.1 Link pointer to file

2. Read data (fscanf)

2.1 Print

3. Close file

Program Output

```

1  /* ss
2      Reading and printing a sequential file */
3  #include <stdio.h>
4
5  int main()
6  {
7      int account;
8      char name[ 30 ];
9      double balance;
10     FILE *cfPtr;    /* cfPtr = clients.dat file pointer */
11
12     if ( ( cfPtr = fopen( "clients.dat", "r" ) ) == NULL )
13         printf( "File could not be opened\n" );
14     else {
15         printf( "%-10s%-13s%s\n", "Account", "Name", "Balance" );
16         fscanf( cfPtr, "%d%s%lf", &account, name, &balance );
17
18         while ( !feof( cfPtr ) ) {
19             printf( "%-10d%-13s%7.2f\n", account, name, balance );
20             fscanf( cfPtr, "%d%s%lf", &account, name, &balance );
21         }
22
23         fclose( cfPtr );
24     }
25
26     return 0;
27 }

```

Account	Name	Balance
100	Jones	24.98
200	Doe	345.67
300	White	0.00
400	Stone	-42.16
500	Rich	224.62


```

#include<stdio.h>

struct student{
    char name[20];
    int rno;
    float gpa;
};

int main(){
    FILE *fp;
    int i,n;
    struct student s1;
    if(fp=fopen("students","w")==NULL) {
        printf("\n Error in opening file");
        return;    }
    printf("Enter no of records");
    scanf("%d",&n);
    for(i=0;i<n;i++){
        printf("Enter name, rno and gpa");
        scanf("%s %d %f",s1.name,&s1.rno,&s1.gpa);
        fprintf(fp,"%s %d %f",s1.name,s1.rno,s1.gpa);
    }
    fflush(fp);
    printf("\n File written successfully");
    fclose(fp);
}

```



Three special streams

- Three special file streams are defined in the `<stdio.h>` header
 - **stdin** reads input from the keyboard
 - **stdout** send output to the screen
 - **stderr** prints errors to an error device (usually also the screen)
- What might this do?

```
fprintf (stdout, "Hello World!\n");
```



An example program

```
#include <stdio.h>
main()
{
    int i;

    fprintf(stdout, "Give value of i \n");
    fscanf(stdin, "%d", &i);
    fprintf(stdout, "Value of i=%d \n", i);
    fprintf(stderr, "No error: But an example to
    show error message.\n");
}
```

Give value of i
15
Value of i=15
No error: But an example to show error message.

Input File & Output File redirection

- One may redirect the standard input and standard output to other files (other than **stdin** and **stdout**).
- Usage: Suppose the executable file is **a.out**:

```
$ ./a.out <in.dat >out.dat
```

`scanf()` will read data inputs from the file “in.dat”,
and `printf()` will output results on the file
“out.dat”.

```
$ ./a.out <in.dat >>out.dat
```

`scanf()` will read data inputs from the file “in.dat”,
and `printf()` will **append** results at the end of the file
“out.dat”.

Reading and Writing a character

- A character reading/writing is equivalent to reading/writing a byte.

```
int getchar( );  
int putchar(int c);
```

} **stdin, stdout**

```
int fgetc(FILE *fp);  
int fputc(int c, FILE *fp);
```

} **file**

- **Example:**

```
char c;  
c = getchar();  
putchar(c);
```



Command Line Arguments

How to access them?

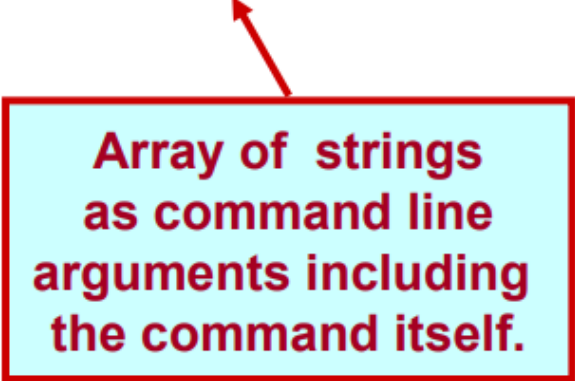
- Command line arguments may be passed by specifying them under `main()`.

```
int main (int argc, char *argv[]);
```



Argument
Count

A red box with a red border containing the text "Argument Count". A red arrow points from the bottom of the box to the `argc` parameter in the code line above.



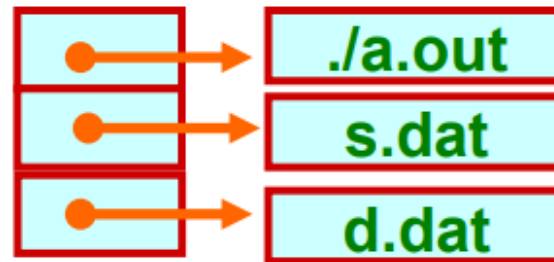
Array of strings
as command line
arguments including
the command itself.

A red box with a red border containing the text "Array of strings as command line arguments including the command itself.". A red arrow points from the bottom of the box to the `*argv[]` parameter in the code line above.

Example: Contd.

```
$ ./a.out s.dat d.dat
```

argc=3



argv[0] = “./a.out”

argv[1] = “s.dat”

argv[2] = “d.dat”

Example: reading command line arguments

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

int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    FILE *ifp, *ofp;
    int i, c;
    char src_file[100], dst_file[100];

    if(argc!=3) {
        printf ("Usage: ./a.out <src_file> <dst_file> \n");
        exit(0);
    }
    else {
        strcpy (src_file, argv[1]);
        strcpy (dst_file, argv[2]);
    }
}
```



Example: contd.

```
if ((ifp = fopen(src_file,"r")) == NULL) {
    printf ("File does not exist.\n");
    exit(0);
}

if ((ofp = fopen(dst_file,"w")) == NULL) {
    printf ("File not created.\n");
    exit(0);
}

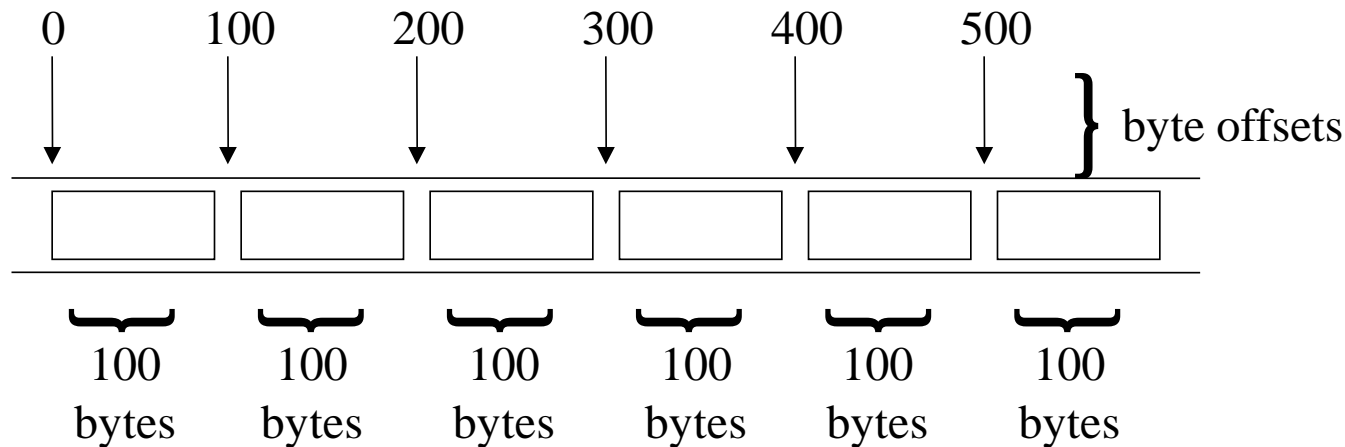
while ((c = fgetc(ifp)) != EOF) {
    fputc (c,ofp);
}

fclose(ifp);
fclose(ofp);
}
```



Random Access Files

- Random access files
 - Access individual records without searching through other records
 - Instant access to records in a file
 - Data can be inserted without destroying other data
 - Data previously stored can be updated or deleted without overwriting
- Implemented using fixed length records
 - Sequential files do not have fixed length records



Creating a Random Access File

- Unformatted I/O functions

- **fwrite**

- Transfer bytes from a location in memory to a file

- **fread**

- Transfer bytes from a file to a location in memory

- Example:

- ```
fwrite(&number, sizeof(int), 1, myPtr);
```

- **&number** – Location to transfer bytes from
      - **sizeof( int )** – Number of bytes to transfer
      - **1** – For arrays, number of elements to transfer
        - In this case, "one element" of an array is being transferred
      - **myPtr** – File to transfer to or from



# Creating a Random Access File

- Writing structs

```
fwrite(&myObject, sizeof (struct myStruct), 1, myPtr);
```

- **sizeof** – returns size in bytes of object in parentheses

- To write several array elements

- Pointer to array as first argument
- Number of elements to write as third argument





## 1. Define struct

### 1.1 Initialize variable

### 1.2 Initialize struct

## 2. Open file

### 2.1 Write to file using unformatted output

## 3. Close file

```
1 /* Fig. 11.11: fig11_11.c
2 Creating a randomly accessed file sequentially */
3 #include <stdio.h>
4
5 struct clientData {
6 int acctNum;
7 char lastName[15];
8 char firstName[10];
9 double balance;
10 };
11
12 int main()
13 {
14 int i;
15 struct clientData blankClient = { 0, "", "", 0.0 };
16 FILE *cfPtr;
17
18 if ((cfPtr = fopen("credit.dat", "w")) == NULL)
19 printf("File could not be opened.\n");
20 else {
21
22 for (i = 1; i <= 100; i++)
23 fwrite(&blankClient,
24 sizeof(struct clientData), 1, cfPtr);
25
26 fclose(cfPtr);
27 }
28
29 return 0;
30 }
```

# Writing Data Randomly to a Random Access File

- **fseek**

- Sets file position pointer to a specific position
- **fseek** ( *pointer*, *offset*, *symbolic\_constant* ) ;
  - *pointer* – pointer to file
  - *offset* – file position pointer (0 is first location)
  - *symbolic\_constant* – specifies where in file we are reading from
  - **SEEK\_SET** – seek starts at beginning of file
  - **SEEK\_CUR** – seek starts at current location in file
  - **SEEK\_END** – seek starts at end of file



## 1. Define struct

### 1.1 Initialize variables

## 2. Open file

### 2.1 Input data

### 2.2 Write to file

```
1 /*
2 Writing to a random access file */
3 #include <stdio.h>
4
5 struct clientData {
6 int acctNum;
7 char lastName[15];
8 char firstName[10];
9 double balance;
10 };
11
12 int main()
13 {
14 FILE *cfPtr;
15 struct clientData client = { 0, "", "", 0.0 };
16
17 if ((cfPtr = fopen("credit.dat", "r+")) == NULL)
18 printf("File could not be opened.\n");
19 else {
20 printf("Enter account number"
21 " (1 to 100, 0 to end input)\n? ");
22 scanf("%d", &client.acctNum);
23
24 while (client.acctNum != 0) {
25 printf("Enter lastname, firstname, balance\n? ");
26 fscanf(stdin, "%s%s%lf", client.lastName,
27 client.firstName, &client.balance);
28 fseek(cfPtr, (client.acctNum - 1) *
29 sizeof(struct clientData), SEEK_SET);
30 fwrite(&client, sizeof(struct clientData), 1,
31 cfPtr);
32 printf("Enter account number\n? ");
```



### 3. Close file

```
33 scanf("%d", &client.acctNum);
34 }
35
36 fclose(cfPtr);
37 }
38
39 return 0;
40 }
```

```
Enter account number (1 to 100, 0 to end input)
? 37
Enter lastname, firstname, balance
? Barker Doug 0.00
Enter account number
? 29
Enter lastname, firstname, balance
? Brown Nancy -24.54
Enter account number
? 96
Enter lastname, firstname, balance
? Stone Sam 34.98
Enter account number
? 0
```

### Program Output



# Reading Data Sequentially from a Random Access File

- **fread**

- Reads a specified number of bytes from a file into memory

```
fread(&client, sizeof (struct clientData), 1, myPtr);
```

- Can read several fixed-size array elements
  - Provide pointer to array
  - Indicate number of elements to read
- To read multiple elements, specify in third argument





## 1. Define struct

### 1.1 Initialize variables

## 2. Read (fread)

### 2.1 Print

```
1 /* Fig. 11.15: fig11_15.c
2 Reading a random access file sequentially */
3 #include <stdio.h>
4
5 struct clientData {
6 int acctNum;
7 char lastName[15];
8 char firstName[10];
9 double balance;
10 };
11
12 int main()
13 {
14 FILE *cfPtr;
15 struct clientData client = { 0, "", "", 0.0 };
16
17 if ((cfPtr = fopen("credit.dat", "r")) == NULL)
18 printf("File could not be opened.\n");
19 else {
20 printf("%-6s%-16s%-11s%10s\n", "Acct", "Last Name",
21 "First Name", "Balance");
22
23 while (!feof(cfPtr)) {
24 fread(&client, sizeof(struct clientData), 1,
25 cfPtr);
26
27 if (client.acctNum != 0)
28 printf("%-6d%-16s%-11s%10.2f\n",
29 client.acctNum, client.lastName,
30 client.firstName, client.balance);
31 }
32 }
```

```

33 fclose(cfPtr);
34 }
35
36 return 0;
37 }

```



## Outline



### 3. Close file

| Acct | Last Name | First Name | Balance |
|------|-----------|------------|---------|
| 29   | Brown     | Nancy      | -24.54  |
| 33   | Dunn      | Stacey     | 314.33  |
| 37   | Barker    | Doug       | 0.00    |
| 88   | Smith     | Dave       | 258.34  |
| 96   | Stone     | Sam        | 34.98   |

### Program Output

**Thank You!**

# What is Bitwise Structure?

- The smallest type is of 8 bits (char).
- Sometimes we need only a single bit.
- For instance, storing the status of the lights in 8 rooms:
  - We need to define an array of at least 8 chars.  
If the light of room 3 is turned on the value of the third char is 1, otherwise 0.
  - Total array of 64 bits.



# What is Bitwise Structure?

- It is better to define only 8 bits since a bit can also store the values 0 or 1.
- But the problem is that there is no C type which is 1 bit long (char is the longer with 1 byte).
- Solution: define a char (8 bits) but refer to each bit separately.
- **Bitwise** operators, introduced by the C language, provide one of its more powerful tools for using and manipulating memory. They give the language the real power of a “low-level language”.



# What is Bitwise Structure?

- Accessing bits directly is fast and efficient, especially if you are writing a real-time application.
- A single bit cannot be accessed directly, since it has no address of its own.
- The language introduces the **bitwise** operators, which help in manipulating a single bit of a byte.
- **bitwise** operators may be used on integral types only (unsigned types are preferable).



# Bitwise Operators

|    |                |
|----|----------------|
| &  | bitwise AND    |
|    | bitwise OR     |
| ^  | bitwise XOR    |
| ~  | 1's compliment |
| << | Shift left     |
| >> | Shift right    |

All these operators can be suffixed with = (assignment)

For instance `a &= b;` is the same as `a = a & b;`



# Bitwise Operators – truth table

| a | b | a&b | a b | a^b | ~a |
|---|---|-----|-----|-----|----|
| 0 | 0 | 0   | 0   | 0   | 1  |
| 0 | 1 | 0   | 1   | 1   | 1  |
| 1 | 0 | 0   | 1   | 1   | 0  |
| 1 | 1 | 1   | 1   | 0   | 0  |





# Bitwise Operators - Examples

```
11010011
&
10001100

10000000
```

```
11010011
|
10001100

11011111
```

```
11010011
^
10001100

01011111
```

```
~11010011

00101100
```

```
11010011>>3

00011010
```

```
11010011<<3

10011000
```



## Setting Bits

- How can we set a bit on or off?
- Manipulations on bits are enabled by mask and bitwise operators.
- Bitwise OR of anything with 1 results in 1.
- Bitwise AND of anything with 0 results in 0.



## Setting Bits

- For instance, how can we turn on the light in room #3?

```
char lights = 0x0;
char mask = 0x1;
mask <<= 2;
lights |= mask;
```

lights: 00000000

mask: 00000001

mask: 00000100

lights: 00000100

## Setting Bits

- For instance, how can we turn off the light in room #3?

```
char lights = 0x27;
char mask = 0xfb;
lights &= mask;
```

lights: 00100111

mask: 11111011

lights: 00100011

## Getting Bits (Testing bits)

- How can we know if a bit is on or off?
- Manipulations on bits are enabled by mask and bitwise operators.
- Bitwise AND of anything with 1 results in the same value.



## Getting Bits

- For instance, how can we check if the light in room #3 is turned on or off?

```
char lights = 0x27;
```

```
char mask = 0x1;
```

```
mask <<= 2;
```

```
if(lights & mask)
```

```
 puts("turned on");
```

```
else
```

```
 puts("turned off");
```

lights: 00100111

mask: 00000001

mask: 00000100

lights & mask: 00000100

# Inverting & Clearing Bits

- Inverting bits: XOR (^)
- XOR with mask bit 1  $\rightarrow$  the bit is inverted
- XOR with mask bit 0  $\rightarrow$  the bit is unchanged
  
- Clearing bits  $\rightarrow$   $\&\sim$  with mask bit 1

**Hence:**

- Set – OR
- Test -  $\&$



# The Preprocessor





# Introduction

- Preprocessing
  - Occurs before program compiled
    - Inclusion of external files
    - Definition of symbolic constants
    - Macros
    - Conditional compilation
  - All directives begin with #
    - Can only have whitespace before directives



# Preprocessor

- Preprocessor processes source program before it is passed to compiler.



- Produce a source code file with the preprocessing commands properly sorted out.

# Preprocessor Directives

- Preprocessor commands are known as ***directives***.
- Preprocessor provides certain ***features***.
- These features are also known as ***preprocessor directives***.
- Preprocessor directives start with # sign.

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



# Preprocessor Directives...

- Preprocessor directives can be placed anywhere in the source program.
- **Note: Place it at start of the program.**
- Each preprocessor directive must be on its own line.

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

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



# Preprocessor Directives

- Macro Expansion
- File Inclusion
- Conditional compilation
- Miscellaneous directives



# Macro Expansion

- ***#define*** directive is known as macro expansion.
- Definition:

```
#define PI 3.1415
```

- ***General Form:***
  - **#define** macro\_template macro\_expansion
  - **#define** macro\_name char\_sequence



## Macro Expansion...

- Preprocessor search for macro definition.
- After finding ***#define directive*** it search entire program for ***macro\_template***.
- Replace each ***macro\_template*** with ***macro\_expansion***.
- **Best Practice:** Use capital letters for macro template.
- Do not use semicolon ‘;’



# The #define Preprocessor Directive: Macros

- Macro
  - Operation specified in **#define**
  - Intended for legacy C programs
  - Macro without arguments
    - Treated like a symbolic constant
  - Macro with arguments
    - Arguments substituted for replacement text
    - Macro expanded
  - Performs a text substitution
    - No data type checking





# Macros, Why?

- To write efficient programs.
- To increase readability of programs.
- Variable vs macro\_template
  - Compiler can generate faster and compact code for constant than it can for variables.
  - When you are dealing with a constant, why use variable.
  - A variable may change in the program.



# Macros, Where?

- Replace operator:

```
#define AND &&
#define OR ||
```

- Replace condition:

```
#define EXCELLENT (a>=75)
```

- Replace statement:

```
#define ALERT printf("Security Alert");
```



## Macros...

- Defined macro name can be used as a part of definition of other macro name.

```
#define MIN 1
#define MAX 9
#define MIDDLE (MAX-MIN)/2
```

- No text substitution occur if the identifier is within a quoted string.



# Macros with Arguments

- Macros can have arguments, same as functions

```
#define ISEXCELLENT(x) (x >= 75)
#define ISLOWER(x) (x>=97 && x<=122)
```

- **Note: Space between Macro and it's arguments.**

ISLOWER(x)

ISLC  R (x)





## Macros with Arguments...

- Macros expansions should be enclosed within paranthesis.

```
#define ISLOWER(x) (x>=97 && x<=122)
if(!ISLOWER('a'));
```

- Use '\ ' to split macro in multiple line.

```
#define HLINE for(i=0; i < 40; i++)\
 printf("_");
```



# The #define Preprocessor Directive: Macros

- Example

```
#define CIRCLE_AREA(x) (PI * (x) * (x))
area = CIRCLE_AREA(4);
```

becomes

```
area = (3.14159 * (4) * (4));
```

- Use parentheses

- Without them,

```
#define CIRCLE_AREA(x) PI * x * x
area = CIRCLE_AREA(c + 2);
```

becomes

```
area = 3.14159 * c + 2 * c + 2;
```

which evaluates incorrectly



# The #define Preprocessor Directive: Macros

- Multiple arguments

```
#define RECTANGLE_AREA(x, y) ((x) * (y))
rectArea = RECTANGLE_AREA(a + 4, b + 7);
```

becomes

```
rectArea = ((a + 4) * (b + 7));
```

- **#undef**
  - Undefines symbolic constant or macro
  - Can later be redefined



# Macros vs Functions

| MACROS                              | FUNCTIONS                                                                     |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Just the replacement of the code.   | Passing arguments, doing calculation, returning results. (More serious work). |
| Macros make the program run faster. | Function calls and return make the program slow.                              |
| Increase the program size           | Make program smaller and compact.                                             |

....more





# File Inclusion

- causes **one file to be included in another.**

```
#include <filename> //OR
#include "filename"
```

- **<filename>** : search the directory on current directory only.
- **"filename"** : search the directory on current directory and specified directories as specified in the include search path.



# Why File Inclusion?

- Divide a program in multiple files.
  - Each file contains related functions.
- Some functions or macros are required in each program
  - Put them in a file (Library).
  - Include them in program that need them.
- **Nested includes:** Included file may have more included files in it.



# Conditional Compilation

- Write single program to run on different environments.
  - **#ifdef** – if defined
  - **#endif** – end if
  - **#else** – else
  - **#ifndef** – in not defined
  - **#if** – if
  - **#elif** – else if



# Conditional Compilation

- Control preprocessor directives and compilation
- Structure similar to **if**

```
#if !defined(NULL)
 #define NULL 0
#endif
```

- Determines if symbolic constant **NULL** defined
- If **NULL** defined,
  - **defined( NULL )** evaluates to **1**
  - **#define** statement skipped
- Otherwise
  - **#define** statement used
- Every **#if** ends with **#endif**



# Conditional Compilation

- Can use else
  - **#else**
  - **#elif** is "else if"
- Abbreviations
  - **#ifdef** short for
    - **#if defined(name)**
  - **#ifndef** short for
    - **#if !defined(name)**



## #ifdef & #endif

- **General form:**

```
#ifdef macroname
 statement sequence
#endif
```

- if macroname has been defined using **#define** the code between **#ifdef** & **#endif** will execute.



## #else

- Use #else with #ifdef same as else with if.
- ***General-form:***

```
#ifdef macroname
 statement sequence
#else
 statement sequence
#endif
```



# #ifndef

- #ifndef is just opposite to #ifdef.

```
#ifndef __file_h
 #define __file_h
```

- #if directive test whether an expression evaluates to nonzero value or not.
- #elif used same as else if.





# The # and ## Operators

- # operator (stringizing)
  - Replacement text token converted to string with quotes
  - `#define HELLO( x ) cout << "Hello, " #x << endl;`
  - `HELLO( JOHN )` becomes
    - `cout << "Hello, " "John" << endl;`
    - Same as `cout << "Hello, John" << endl;`
- ## operator
  - Concatenates two tokens
  - `#define TOKENCONCAT( x, y ) x ## y`
  - `TOKENCONCAT( O, K )` becomes
    - `OK`



# Line Numbers

- **#line**
  - Renumbers subsequent code lines, starting with integer
    - **#line 100**
  - File name can be included
  - **#line 100 "file1.cpp"**
    - Next source code line is numbered **100**
    - For error purposes, file name is **"file1.cpp"**
    - Can make syntax errors more meaningful
    - Line numbers do not appear in source file



# Predefined Symbolic Constants

- Five predefined symbolic constants
  - Cannot be used in **#define** or **#undef**

| Symbolic constant | Description                                                                                                        |
|-------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>__LINE__</b>   | The line number of the current source code line (an integer constant).                                             |
| <b>__FILE__</b>   | The presumed name of the source file (a string).                                                                   |
| <b>__DATE__</b>   | The date the source file is compiled (a string of the form " <b>Mmm dd yyyy</b> " such as " <b>Jan 19 2001</b> "). |
| <b>__TIME__</b>   | The time the source file is compiled (a string literal of the form " <b>hh:mm:ss</b> ").                           |



# Where conditional compilation?

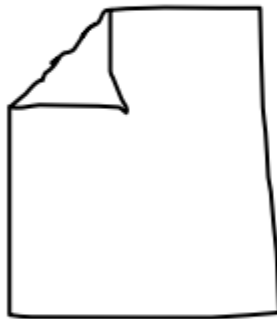
- Run the same code on different environment.

```
#ifdef WINDOWS
 statement sequence
#else
 statemet sequence
#endif
```



# Where conditional compilation?

- To avoid multiple declaration error.



**File**



**>File**



**>File**

**#include <File**

**>**

# The **#error** and **#pragma** Preprocessor Directives

- **#error** *tokens*
  - Prints implementation-dependent message
  - Tokens are groups of characters separated by spaces
    - **#error 1 - Out of range error** has 6 tokens
  - Compilation may stop (depends on compiler)
- **#pragma** *tokens*
  - Actions depend on compiler
  - May use compiler-specific options
  - Unrecognized **#pragmas** are ignored

