

LECTURE NOTES IN CIS300

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SECTION 2: C/C++ PROGRAMMING

REFERENCES

- "Unix Programming Tools", [[link](#)]
- Computer Systems: A Programmer's Perspective, Randal E. Bryant and David R. O'Hallaron, Chapter 1, [[online pdf](#)]

HELLOWORLD C

```
#include <stdio.h> //preprocessor
int y = 3; //global var. (def. & init.)
//extern int y; //global var. (dec.)
int main() //function (def.)
{
    int x = 0; //local var. (def. & init.), literal,
    printf("helloworld: y = %d\n",y); //function (invocation)
    return 0;
}
```

- printf: format string
- header files

LIFE OF A C CONSTRUCT

	variable	function
declare	<code>extern int x;</code>	<code>void foo();</code>
define	<code>int x;</code>	<code>void foo(){ }</code>
initialize	<code>int x=6;</code>	
reference	<code>y=x;x=1;</code>	<code>foo();</code> (invocation)
destroy		

COMPILATION & EXECUTION: BASICS

- GCC: GNU Compilation Collection
- In your terminal, run the following commands

```
gcc hello.c  
./a.out
```

EXERCISES

- Write a C program that prints out your name. Compile and execute it in Ubuntu. Submit the C program to BB.
- Write a C program that computes the sum of 1,2,3,...,956. Compile and execute the program in Ubuntu. Submit the C program to BB.

GCC

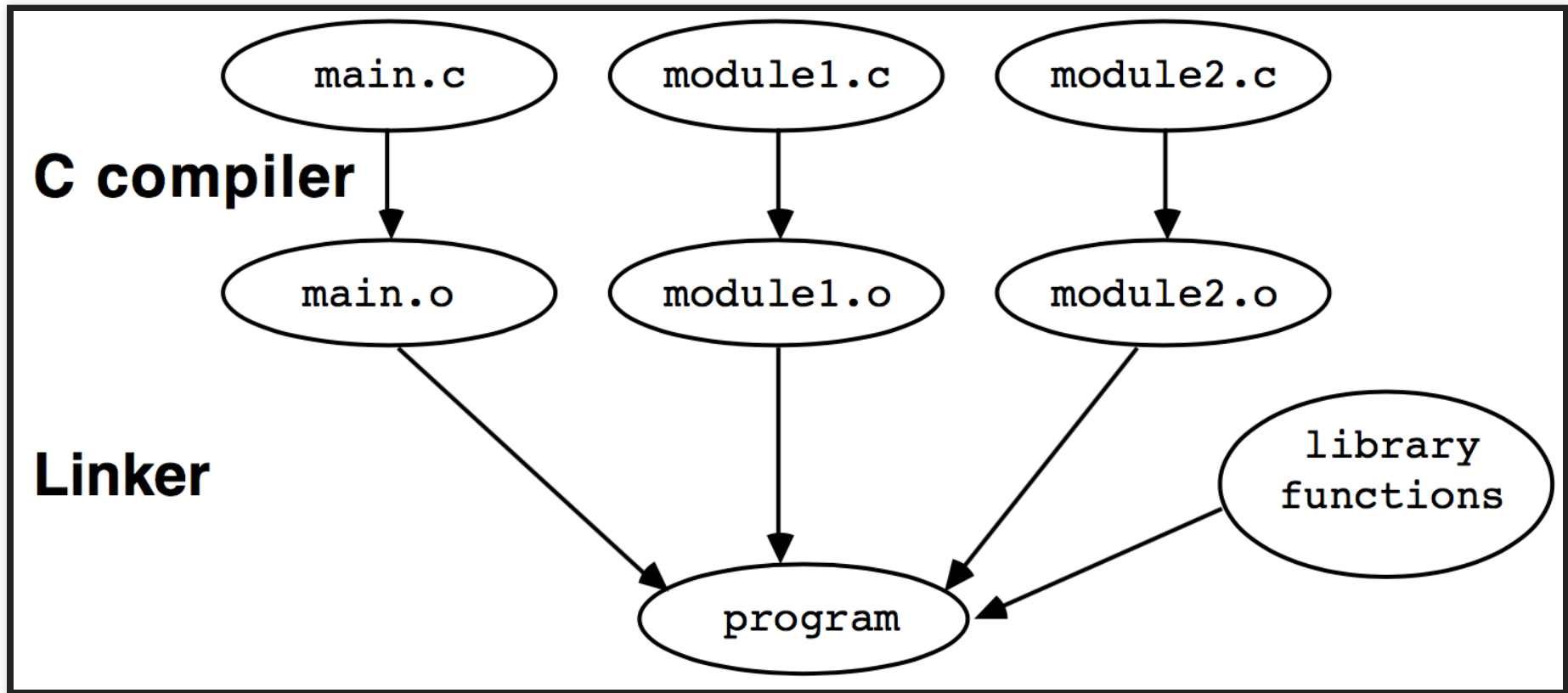
COMPILATION (1)

- Two steps of compilation:
 - *compiling*: text `.c` file to relocatable `.o` (object) file
 - *linking*: multiple relocatable `.o` files to one executable `.o` file
 - *symbol*: reference to link construct (declaration) in one `.o` file to construct (definition) in another `.o` file

COMPILATION (2)

```
gcc hello.c -o a.out  
gcc -S hello.c -o hello.s #compiler  
gcc -c hello.s -o hello.o #assembler  
gcc hello.o -o a.out #linker
```

- compilation system
 - tools: *gcc/gdb* for compiling and debugging
 - 1. **preprocessor**: from source file to source
 - 2. **compiler**: from source to assembly file
 - *assembly file*
 - 3. **assembler**: from assembly file to relocatable object file
 - 4. **linker**: from multiple objects to an executable object



Linker

COMPILING MULTIPLE C PROGRAMS

In file1.c:

```
#include <stdio.h>
extern void foo();
int main(){
    printf("main();\n");
    foo();
}
```

In file2.c:

```
#include <stdio.h>
void foo(){
    printf("foo();\n");
}
```

COMPILING MULTIPLE C PROGRAMS (2)

```
gcc file1.c file2.c  
# try this?  
gcc file1.c  
gcc file2.c
```

COMPILING MULTIPLE C PROGRAMS (3)

```
gcc -c file1.c # compiler & assembler  
gcc -c file2.c # compiler & assembler  
gcc file1.o file2.o # linker
```

Or

```
gcc -S file1.c # compiler  
gcc -c file1.s # assembler  
gcc -S file2.c # compiler  
gcc -c file2.s # assembler  
gcc file1.o file2.o # linker
```

LINK LIBRARY FILES

```
gcc -S file1.c # compiler  
gcc -c file1.s # assembler  
gcc file1.o file2.o # linker
```

```
mv file2.o ../libfile2.a  
gcc file1.o ../libfile2.a # linker  
gcc file1.o -L.. file2.o # linker  
gcc file1.c -L.. file2.o # linker
```

- Gcc flag: `-Ldir -lmylib` for library to link

INCLUDE HEADER FILE

In header1.h:

```
extern foo();
```

In file1.c:

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include "header1.h"
int main(){
    printf("main();\n");
    foo();
}
```

```
gcc file1.c file2.c
```


INCLUDE HEADER FILE (2)

Header file in another directory

```
mv header1.h ..  
#will this work?  
gcc file11.c file2.c  
gcc -I .. file11.c file2.c
```

- Gcc flag: `-I dir`

GCC FLAGS (SUMMARY)

- `-c` for compile, `-o` for output
- `-Ldir -lmylib` for linking a library
 - search library for unsolved symbols (functions, global variables) when linking
- `-I` for `#include`
 - header file (storing declarations)
- `-Wall, w` for warning
- `-g` for debug (later): `gcc -g file1.c file2.c`
- ref [[link](#)]

EXERCISE

- Write two C files:
 - `filea.c` defines functions `main()` and `bar()`
 - `fileb.c` defines function `foo()`
 - function `main()` calls `foo()`
 - function `foo()` calls `bar()`
 - Compile your program.
 - Submit the program and commands to BB.

MAKE AND MAKEFILE

DOWNLOAD COURSE REPO.

To download course repository, type the following commands

```
sudo apt-get update  
sudo apt-get upgrade  
sudo apt-get install git  
git clone https://github.com/SUCourses/cis300-18spring.git
```

MAKEFILE: DEPENDENCY RULES

- `make` is a tool for project management in shell
- `Makefile` is the configuration file that tells the `make` tool what to do
- A `Makefile` is a series of dependency rules
- Each dep. rule is a IFTTT clause (if-this-then-that)

```
target: files/objects  
(tab)commands
```

There is a **tab** before the commands

HELLOWORLD MAKEFILE

In Makefile (All files are under demos/mar7 dir.)

```
all:
    gcc file1.c file2.c
```

To run it, in shell terminal

```
make
```

(Try change `file.c`, and make it again).

MAKEFILE OF MULTIPLE RULES

```
c:
    gcc file1.c file2.c

exec: c
    ./a.out

clean:
    rm *.o *.out
```

Note there are empty lines btwn. rules.

USE MAKEFILE TO LINK (1)

Recall how to run compiler, assembler and linker

```
gcc -c file1.c # compiler & assembler  
gcc -c file2.c # compiler & assembler  
gcc file1.o file2.o # linker
```

USE MAKEFILE TO LINK (2)

A Makefile that does them separately

```
link: file1.o file2.o
    gcc file1.o file2.o

file1.o: file1.c
    gcc -c file1.c

file2.o: file2.c
    gcc -c file2.c
```

```
make
make
```

USE MAKEFILE TO LINK (3)

Use default rule to compile individual C file

```
link: file1.o file2.o
    @gcc file1.o file2.o
```

```
make
make
```

- @ used to hide the command in printout.

MAKEFILE: USING VARIABLES

```
SRCS = file1.c file2.c
OBJS = $(SRCS:.c=.o)
CFLAGS = -g -Iheaders
#LDFLAGS = -L. -lxxx

link: $(OBJS)
      $(CC) $(LDFLAGS) $(OBJS)
```

MAKEFILE: USING VARIABLES (2)

- A Makefile variable is a text string
- There're standard variables
 - CC is the compiler
 - `OBJS = $(SRCS:.c=.o):`
 - This incantation says that the object files have the same name as the .c files, but with .o extension
 - LDFLAGS library search path (`-L`)
 - CFLAGS default compile flags

EXERCISE

1. Write a `Makefile` such that `make` always clean `.o` files, recompiles all `.c` files and executes the new `.o` file.
2. Write a `Makefile` such that `make link` will compile a `file.c` file against a library file `libxxx.a`

GDB

REFERENCES

- "Reviewing gcc, make, gdb, and Linux Editors", [[pdf](#)]
- "Unix Programming Tools", [[link](#)]

A BUGGY C PROGRAM

```
#include<stdio.h> //printf
int array_stack[] = {0,1,2};
int main(){
    int sum; // local variable
    for(int i=0; i<=3; i++){
        sum += array_stack[i];
    }
    printf("sum = %d\n", sum);
    return 0;
}
```

USE GDB TO FIND BUG

- Installing gdb
 - on MacOS: [youtu.be/Vj33vsrDkE80]
 - on Ubuntu: `sudo apt-get install gdb`
- Compile: `gcc -g`
- Run gdb: `gdb a.out`

GDB COMMAND: CONTROL EXECUTION

- CPU executes a C program statement by statement
- Breakpoint: tell where the CPU should stop/pause execution
 - `break/b file:n|fn|file:fn`: breakpoint can be file:line number, function name or file:function name.
 - `disable/enable/delete i`: `i` is the index of breakpoint
- Stepping: tell CPU to resume the execution
 - `run/r`: run
 - `next/n`: next statement (step over a function call)
 - `continue/c`: continue till breakpoint

GDB COMMAND: EXAMINE RUNTIME

- Examine runtime data
 - `print v/p` `v`: print variable `v`
- Examine code (with `gcc -g`)
 - `list/l`
- Examine execution environment: e.g. stack (later)

GDB COMMANDS

functionality	commands
breakpoints	b,disable/enable/delete breakpoi
stepping	r,s,n,c,finish,return
examine_data	p/i v,display/undisplay,watch,set
examine_code	list
examine_stack	bt,where,info,up/down,frame
misc.	editmode vi,b fn if expression,h disassembler,shell cmd

DEMO

- Debug the following program using gdb

```
#include<stdio.h> //printf
int array_stack[] = {0,1,2};
int main(){
    int sum; // local variable
    for(int i=0; i<=3; i++){
        sum += array_stack[i];
    }
    printf("sum = %d\n", sum);
    return 0;
}
```

EXERCISE

- Exercise: Debug the following program using gdb, upload the correct program to BB.

```
#include<stdio.h>
int main() {
    int x = 5;
    int y = 3;
    int z = x - y;
    int a = x * y;
    int b = a - 7*z;
    b--;
    int c = z + y;
    int d = c / b;
    int e = a + 12;
    int f = e - b;
    printf("%d\n",f);
}
```

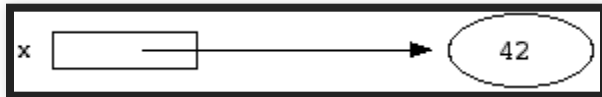
POINTER IN C

REFERENCES

- Pointer Basics: [<http://cslibrary.stanford.edu/106/>]

POINTER (C SYNTAX)

- a pointer is a variable that stores a reference to something.
 - "something", called pointee, is usually another variable.
- e.g.: a pointer variable named `x` referencing to a "pointee" variable of value 42.



pointer pointee

POINTER OPERATIONS

- definition/initialization: `int *p1 = p2;`
- dereference: `*p`
- get reference of: `& a`
 - get the *address* (memory location) of variable a

```
#include<stdio.h>
int main(){
    int a = 10;
    int * p = & a;
    int b = *p;
    printf("a=%d,b=%d,*p=%d,p=%p\n",a,b,*p,p);
}
```

LIFE OF A C POINTER/SYMBOL

	pointer	variable	function
declare	<code>extern int * p</code>	<code>extern int x</code>	<code>void</code>
define	<code>int *p;</code>	<code>int x</code>	<code>void</code>
initialize	<code>int *p=&a;</code>	<code>int x=6</code>	
	<code>int*q=malloc(7)</code>		
reference	<code>*p=x;x=*p</code>	<code>y=x</code>	<code>foo()</code>
destroy	<code>delete p</code>		

EXERCISE

- Do the following to complete the code snippet at the bottom. Then compile and execute your program. Submit the completed program to BB.
 1. define two pointers `p1` and `p2`, both pointing to variable `x`.
 2. Use `p1` to update `x`'s value to 5.
 3. Then use `p2` to read the value of variable `x` and `printf` it on terminal.

```
#include<stdio.h>
int main(){
    int x = 4;
    // To complete the program below:

}
```