
Macro Processors

Chapter 4

System Software

An introduction to systems programming

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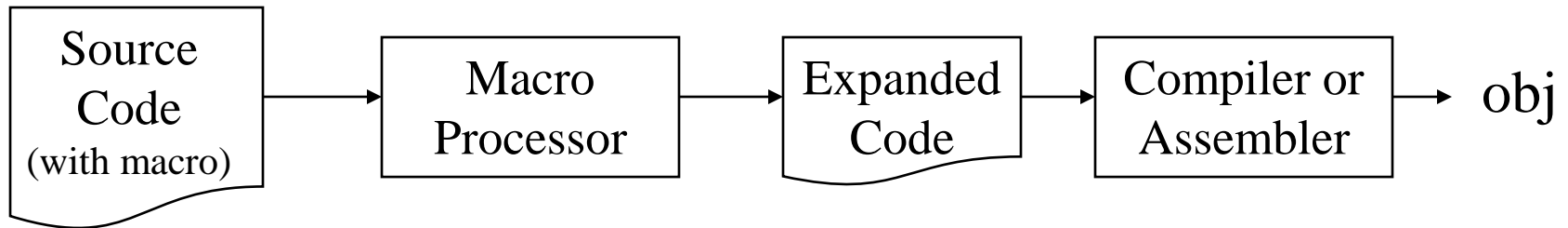
Introduction

□ Concept

- » A macro instruction is a notational convenience for the programmer
- » It allows the programmer to write shorthand version of a program (module programming)
- » The macro processor replaces each macro invocation with the corresponding sequence of statements (expanding)

Macro Processor

- ❑ Recognize macro definitions
- ❑ Save the macro definition
- ❑ Recognize macro calls
- ❑ Expand macro calls



Macro Definition

- copy code
- parameter substitution
- conditional macro expansion
- macro instruction defining macros

Copy code -- Example

Source

```
STRG  MACRO
      STA   DATA1
      STB   DATA2
      STX   DATA3
      MEND
```

```
.
STRG
```

```
.
STRG
```

```
.
```

```
.
```

Expanded source

```
.
```

```
.
```

```
.
```

```
{ STA   DATA1
  STB   DATA2
  STX   DATA3
```

```
.
```

```
{ STA   DATA1
  STB   DATA2
  STX   DATA3
```

```
.
```

Macro vs. Subroutine

- Macro

- » the statement of expansion are generated each time the macro are invoked

- Subroutine

- » the statement in a subroutine appears only once

Parameter Substitution -- Example

Source

```
STRG  MACRO &a1, &a2, &a3
      STA    &a1
      STB    &a2
      STX    &a3
      MEND
.
STRG  DATA1, DATA2, DATA3
.
STRG  DATA4, DATA5, DATA6
.
.
```

Expanded source

```
.
.
.
  { STA    DATA1
    STB    DATA2
    STX    DATA3
.
  { STA    DATA4
    STB    DATA5
    STX    DATA6
.
```

Parameter Substitution

- Dummy arguments

- » Positional argument

```
STRG  DATA1, DATA2, DATA3  
GENER  ,,DIRECT,,,,,3
```

- » Keyword argument

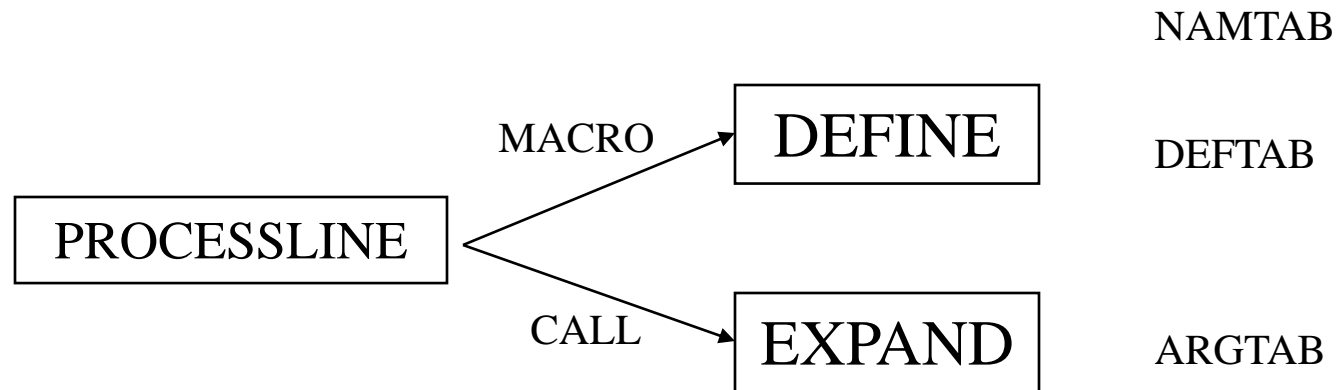
```
STRG  &a3=DATA1, &a2=DATA2, &a1=DATA3  
GENER TYPE=DIRECT, CHANNEL=3
```

- Example: Fig. 4.1, Fig. 4.2

- » Labels are avoided in macro definition

One-Pass Macro Processor

- Prerequisite
 - » every macro must be defined before it is called
- Sub-procedures
 - » macro definition: DEFINE
 - » macro invocation: EXPAND



```

begin {macro processor}
    EXPANDING := FALSE
    while OPCODE  $\neq$  'END' do
        begin
            GETLINE
            PROCESSLINE
        end {while}
    end {macro processor}

procedure PROCESSLINE
    begin
        search NAMTAB for OPCODE
        if found then
            EXPAND
        else if OPCODE = 'MACRO' then
            DEFINE
        else write source line to expanded file
    end {PROCESSLINE}

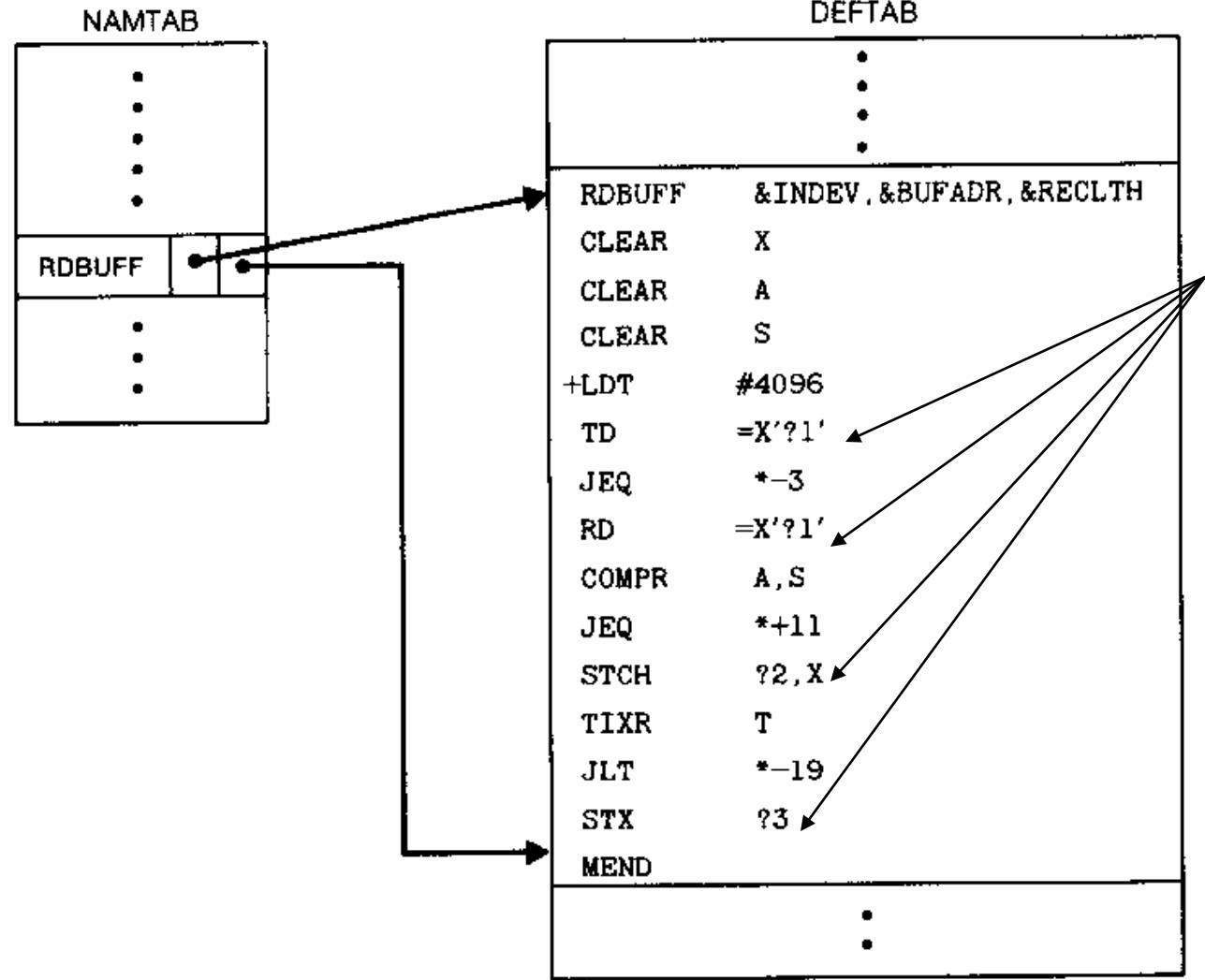
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Figure 4.5 Algorithm for a one-pass macro processor.

Data Structures -- Global Variables

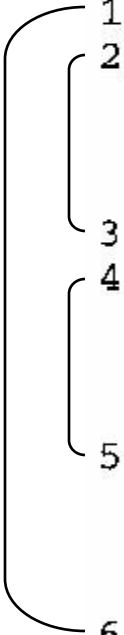
- DEFTAB
- NAMTAB
- ARGTAB

EXPANDING



Nested Macros Definition

- Macro definition within macros
 - » process macro definition during expansion time
- Example 4.3



```
1  MACROS      MACRO      {Defines SIC standard version macros}
2  RDBUFF      MACRO      &INDEV, &BUFADR, &RECLTH
    .
    .      {SIC standard version}
    .
3  MEND        {End of RDBUFF}
4  WRBUFF      MACRO      &OUTDEV, &BUFADR, &RECLTH
    .
    .      {SIC standard version}
    .
5  MEND        {End of WRBUFF}
    .
    .
6  MEND        {End of MACROS}
```

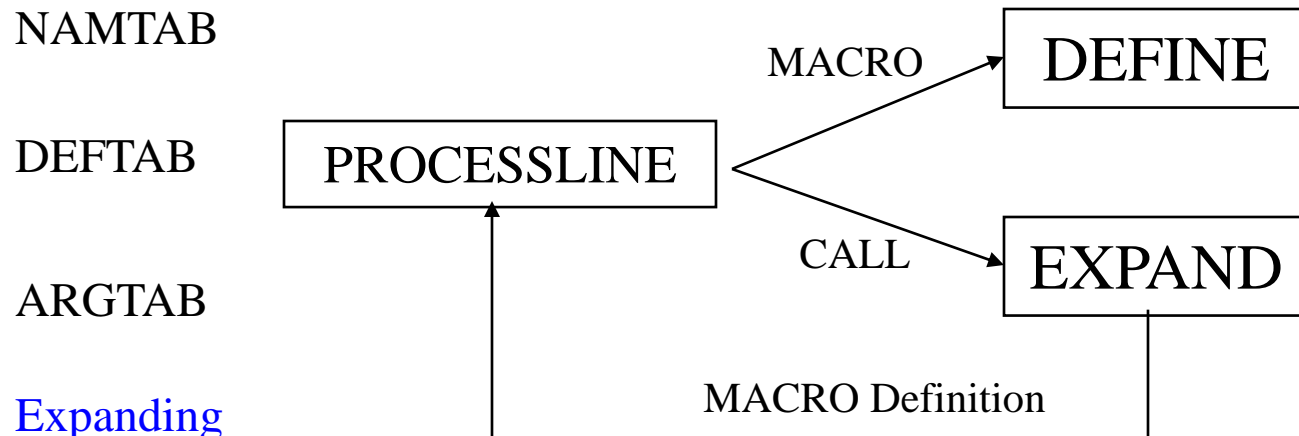
Figure 4.3 (b)

```
1  MACROX      MACRO      {Defines SIC/XE macros}
2  RDBUFF      MACRO      &INDEV,&BUFADR,&RECLTH
   .
   .      {SIC/XE version}
   .
3  MEND        {End of RDBUFF}
4  WRBUFF      MACRO      &OUTDEV,&BUFADR,&RECLTH
   .
   .      {SIC/XE version}
   .
5  MEND        {End of WRBUFF}
   .
   .
6  MEND        {End of MACROX}
```

The diagram illustrates the structure of a MACROX file. It consists of six numbered lines. A large bracket on the left groups lines 1 through 6. A smaller bracket on the left groups lines 2 through 5. The text on the right side of the lines describes the content of each line: line 1 is the start of the MACROX macro, line 2 is the start of the RDBUFF macro, line 3 is the end of the RDBUFF macro, line 4 is the start of the WRBUFF macro, line 5 is the end of the WRBUFF macro, and line 6 is the end of the MACROX macro. The text in curly braces indicates the purpose of each line: {Defines SIC/XE macros}, {SIC/XE version}, {End of RDBUFF}, {SIC/XE version}, {End of WRBUFF}, and {End of MACROX}.

One-Pass Macro Processor That Allows Nested Macro Definition

- Sub-procedures
 - » macro definition: DEFINE
 - » macro invocation: EXPAND
- EXPAND may invoke DEFINE when encounter macro definition



procedure DEFINE

begin

enter macro name into NAMTAB

enter macro prototype into DEFTAB

LEVEL := 1

while LEVEL > 0 **do**

begin

GETLINE

if this is not a comment line **then**

begin

substitute positional notation for parameters

enter line into DEFTAB

if OPCODE = 'MACRO' **then**

LEVEL := LEVEL + 1

else if OPCODE = 'MEND' **then**

LEVEL := LEVEL - 1

end {if not comment}

end {while}

store in NAMTAB pointers to beginning and end of definition

end {DEFINE}

```

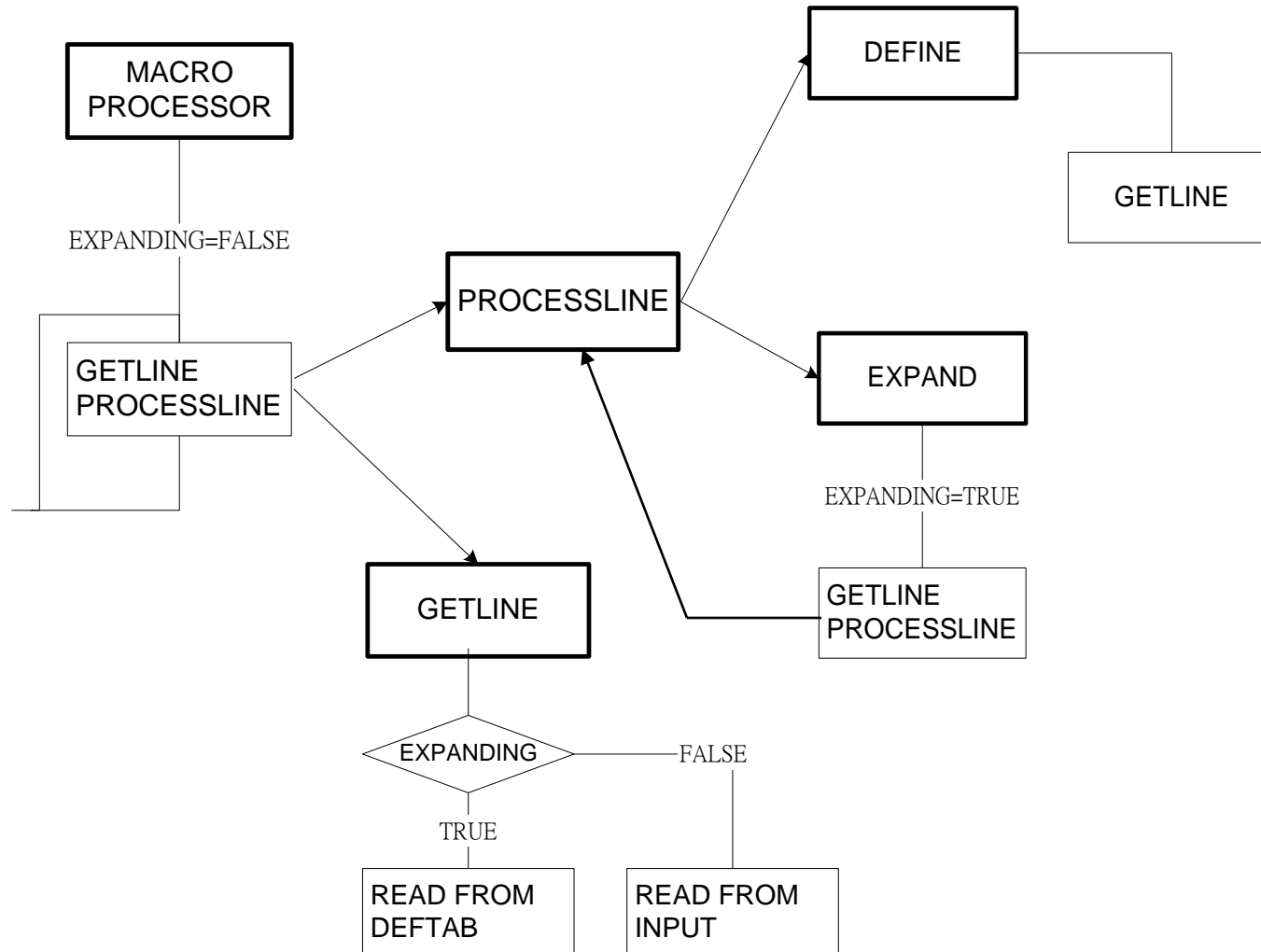
procedure EXPAND
  begin
    EXPANDING := TRUE
    get first line of macro definition {prototype} from DEFTAB
    set up arguments from macro invocation in ARGTAB
    write macro invocation to expanded file as a comment
    while not end of macro definition do
      begin
        GETLINE
        PROCESSLINE
      end {while}
    EXPANDING := FALSE
  end {EXPAND}

procedure GETLINE
  begin
    if EXPANDING then
      begin
        get next line of macro definition from DEFTAB
        substitute arguments from ARGTAB for positional notation
      end {if}
    else
      read next line from input file
    end {GETLINE}

```

Figure 4.5 (cont'd)

1-Pass Macro Processor



Comparison of Macro Processors Design

□ Single pass

- » every macro must be defined before it is called
- » one-pass processor can alternate between macro definition and macro expansion
- » nested macro definitions may be allowed but nested calls are not

□ Two pass algorithm

- » Pass1: Recognize macro definitions
- » Pass2: Recognize macro calls
- » nested macro definitions are not allowed

Concatenation of Macro Parameters

- Pre-concatenation
 - » LDA X&ID1
- Post-concatenation
 - » LDA X&ID→1
- Example: Figure 4.6

```

1  SUM      MACRO   &ID
2           LDA     X&ID→1
3           ADD     X&ID→2
4           ADD     X&ID→3
5           STA     X&ID→S
6           MEND
    
```

(a)

```

SUM      A
↓
LDA      XA1
ADD      XA2
ADD      XA3
STA      XAS
    
```

(b)

```

SUM      BETA
↓
LDA      XBETA1
ADD      XBETA2
ADD      XBETA3
STA      XBETAS
    
```

Generation of Unique Labels

□ Example

- » JEQ *-3
- » inconvenient, error-prone, difficult to read

□ Example Figure 4.7

– \$LOOP TD =X'&INDEV'

- » 1st call:

– \$AALoop TD =X'F1'

- » 2nd call:

– \$ABLoop TD =X'F1'

25	RDBUFF	MACRO	&INDEV, &BUFADR, &RECLTH	
30		CLEAR	X	CLEAR LOOP COUNTER
35		CLEAR	A	
40		CLEAR	S	
45		+LDT	#4096	SET MAXIMUM RECORD LENGTH
50	\$LOOP	TD	=X' &INDEV'	TEST INPUT DEVICE
55		JEQ	\$LOOP	LOOP UNTIL READY
60		RD	=X' &INDEV'	READ CHARACTER INTO REG A
65		COMPR	A, S	TEST FOR END OF RECORD
70		JEQ	\$EXIT	EXIT LOOP IF EOR
75		STCH	&BUFADR, X	STORE CHARACTER IN BUFFER
80		TIXR	T	LOOP UNLESS MAXIMUM LENGTH
85		JLT	\$LOOP	HAS BEEN REACHED
90	\$EXIT	STX	&RECLTH	SAVE RECORD LENGTH
95		MEND		

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RDBUFF F1, BUFFER, LENGTH

30	CLEAR	X	CLEAR LOOP COUNTER	
35	CLEAR	A		
40	CLEAR	S		
45	+LDT	#4096	SET MAXIMUM RECORD LENGTH	
50	\$AALoop	TD	=X'F1'	TEST INPUT DEVICE
55	JEQ	\$AALoop		LOOP UNTIL READY
60	RD	=X'F1'		READ CHARACTER INTO REG A
65	COMPR	A,S		TEST FOR END OF RECORD
70	JEQ	\$AAEXIT		EXIT LOOP IF EOR
75	STCH	BUFFER,X		STORE CHARACTER IN BUFFER
80	TIXR	T		LOOP UNLESS MAXIMUM LENGTH
85	JLT	\$AALoop		HAS BEEN REACHED
90	\$AAEXIT	STX	LENGTH	SAVE RECORD LENGTH

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Conditional Macro Expansion

□ Macro-time conditional statements

- » Example: Figure 4.8
- » *IF-ELSE-ENDIF*

□ Macro-time variables

- » any symbol that begins with the character & and that is not a macro parameter
- » macro-time variables are initialized to 0
- » macro-time variables can be changed with their values using SET
 - *&EORCK* SET 1

25	RDBUFF	MACRO	&INDEV, &BUFADR, &RECLTH, &EOR, &MAXLTH	
26		IF	(&EOR NE '')	
27	&EORCK	SET	1	
28		ENDIF		
30		CLEAR	X	CLEAR LOOP COUNTER
35		CLEAR	A	
38		IF	(&EORCK EQ 1)	
40		LDCH	=X'&EOR'	SET EOR CHARACTER
42		RMO	A, S	
43		ENDIF		
44		IF	(&MAXLTH EQ '')	
45		+LDT	#4096	SET MAX LENGTH = 4096
46		ELSE		
47		+LDT	#&MAXLTH	SET MAXIMUM RECORD LENGTH
48		ENDIF		
50	\$LOOP	TD	=X'&INDEV'	TEST INPUT DEVICE
55		JEQ	\$LOOP	LOOP UNTIL READY
60		RD	=X'&INDEV'	READ CHARACTER INTO REG A
63		IF	(&EORCK EQ 1)	
65		COMPR	A, S	TEST FOR END OF RECORD
70		JEQ	\$EXIT	EXIT LOOP IF EOR
73		ENDIF		
75		STCH	&BUFADR, X	STORE CHARACTER IN BUFFER
80		TIXR	T	LOOP UNLESS MAXIMUM LENGTH
85		JLT	\$LOOP	HAS BEEN REACHED
90	\$EXIT	STX	&RECLTH	SAVE RECORD LENGTH
95		MEND		

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RDBUFF

F3. BUF. RECL. 04. 2048

30		CLEAR	X	CLEAR LOOP COUNTER
35		CLEAR	A	
40		LDCH	=X'04'	SET EOR CHARACTER
42		RMO	A, S	
47		+LDT	#2048	SET MAXIMUM RECORD LENGTH
50	\$AALoop	TD	=X'F3'	TEST INPUT DEVICE
55		JEQ	\$AALoop	LOOP UNTIL READY
60		RD	=X'F3'	READ CHARACTER INTO REG A
65		COMPR	A, S	TEST FOR END OF RECORD
70		JEQ	\$AAEXIT	EXIT LOOP IF EOR
75		STCH	BUF, X	STORE CHARACTER IN BUFFER
80		TIXR	T	LOOP UNLESS MAXIMUM LENGTH
85		JLT	\$AALoop	HAS BEEN REACHED
90	\$AAEXIT	STX	RECL	SAVE RECORD LENGTH

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RDBUFF

0E, BUFFER, LENGTH, , 80

30		CLEAR	X	CLEAR LOOP COUNTER
35		CLEAR	A	
47		+LDT	#80	SET MAXIMUM RECORD LENGTH
50	\$ABLoop	TD	=X'0E'	TEST INPUT DEVICE
55		JEQ	\$ABLoop	LOOP UNTIL READY
60		RD	=X'0E'	READ CHARACTER INTO REG A
75		STCH	BUFFER, X	STORE CHARACTER IN BUFFER
80		TIXR	T	LOOP UNLESS MAXIMUM LENGTH
87		JLT	\$ABLoop	HAS BEEN REACHED
90	\$ABEXIT	STX	LENGTH	SAVE RECORD LENGTH

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RDBUFF

F1, BUFF, RLENG, 04

30		CLEAR	X	CLEAR LOOP COUNTER
35		CLEAR	A	
40		LDCH	=X'04'	SET EOR CHARACTER
42		RMO	A,S	
45		+LDT	#4096	SET MAX LENGTH = 4096
50	\$ACLOOP	TD	=X'F1'	TEST INPUT DEVICE
55		JEQ	\$ACLOOP	LOOP UNTIL READY
60		RD	=X'F1'	READ CHARACTER INTO REG A
65		COMPR	A,S	TEST FOR END OF RECORD
70		JEQ	\$ACEXIT	EXIT LOOP IF EOR
75		STCH	BUFF,X	STORE CHARACTER IN BUFFER
80		TIXR	T	LOOP UNLESS MAXIMUM LENGTH
85		JLT	\$ACLOOP	HAS BEEN REACHED
90	\$ACEXIT	STX	RLENG	SAVE RECORD LENGTH

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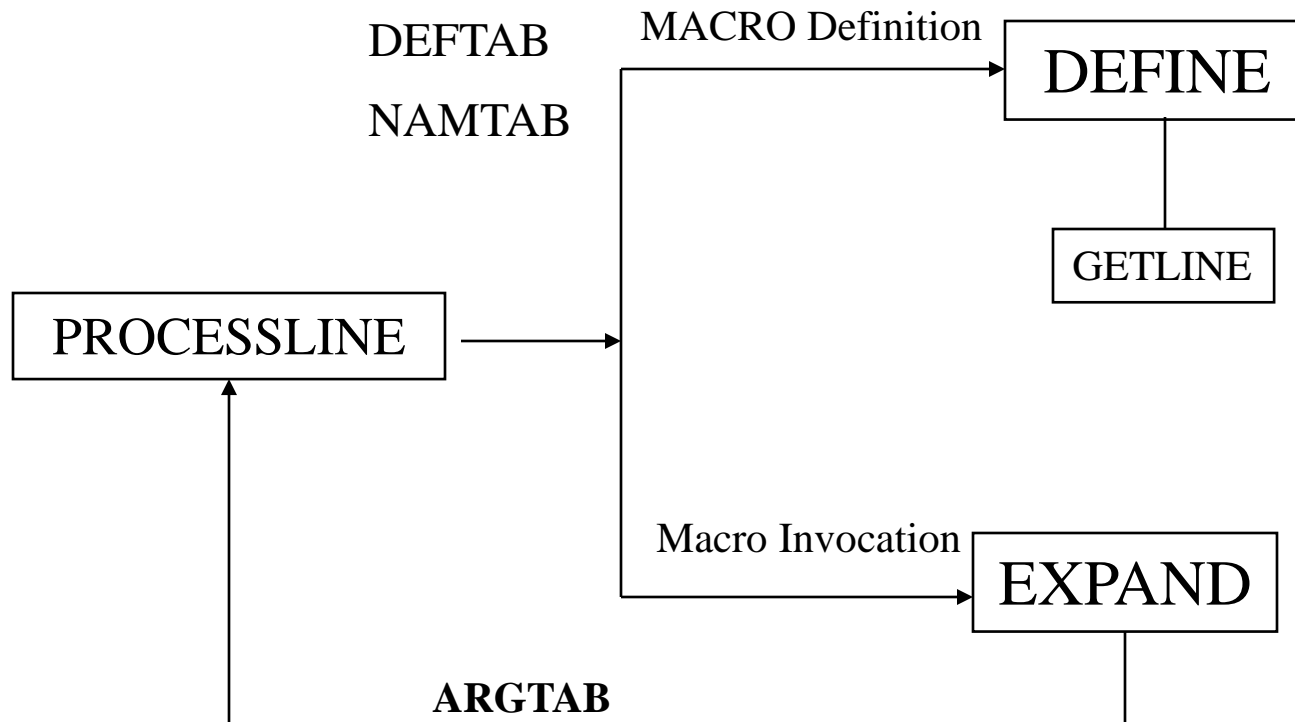
Conditional Macro Expansion (Cont.)

- Macro-time looping statement
 - » Example: Figure 4.9
 - » WHILE-ENDW
- Macro processor function
 - » %NITEMS: THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS IN AN ARGUMENT LIST

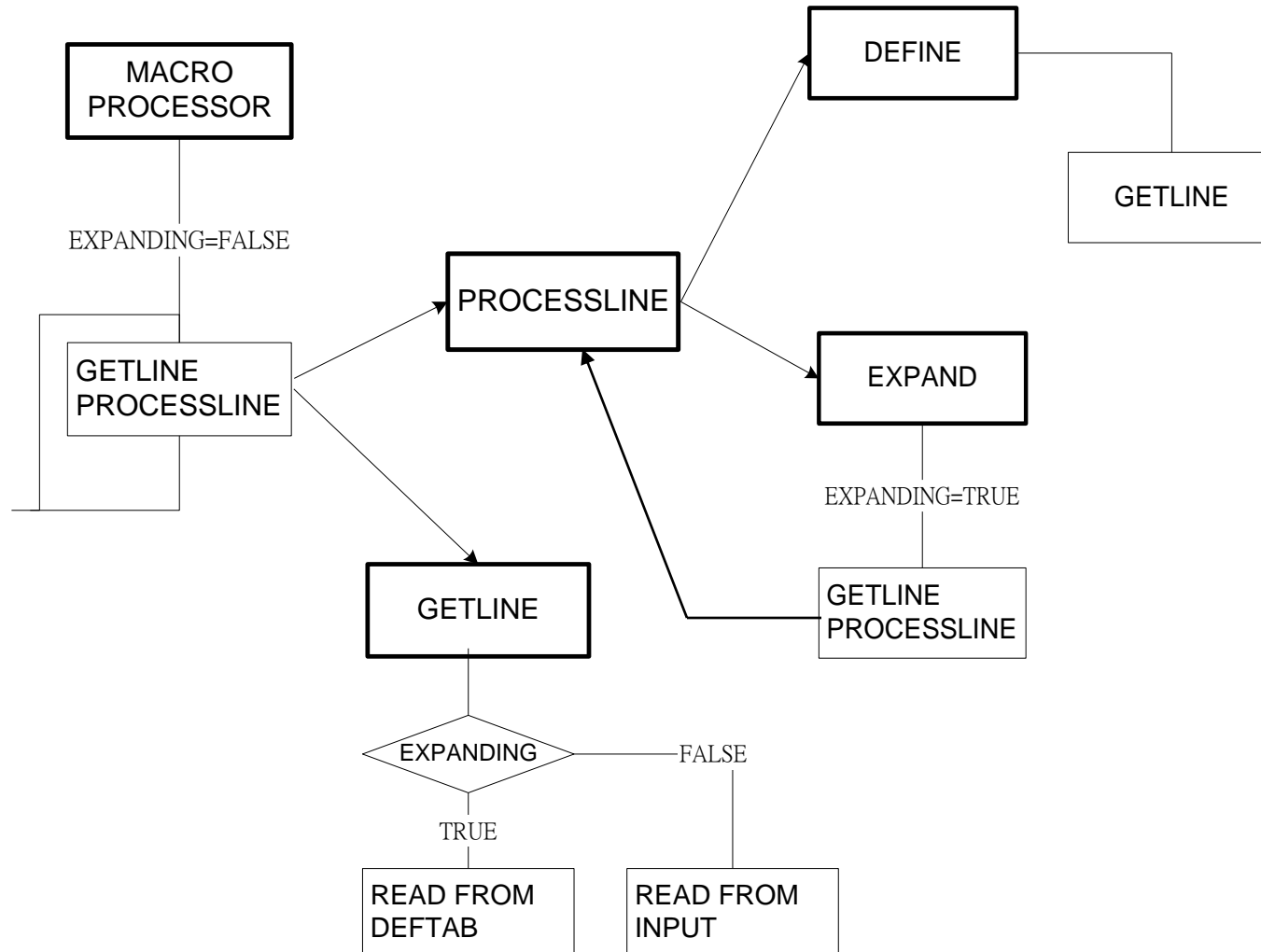
Nested Macro Invocations

- Macro invocations within macros
 - » process macro invocation during expansion time
- Recursive macro expansion
 - » Example: Figure 4.11
 - » Problems:
 - ARGTAB
 - EXPANDING
 - » Solution
 - Recursive call
 - While loop with stack

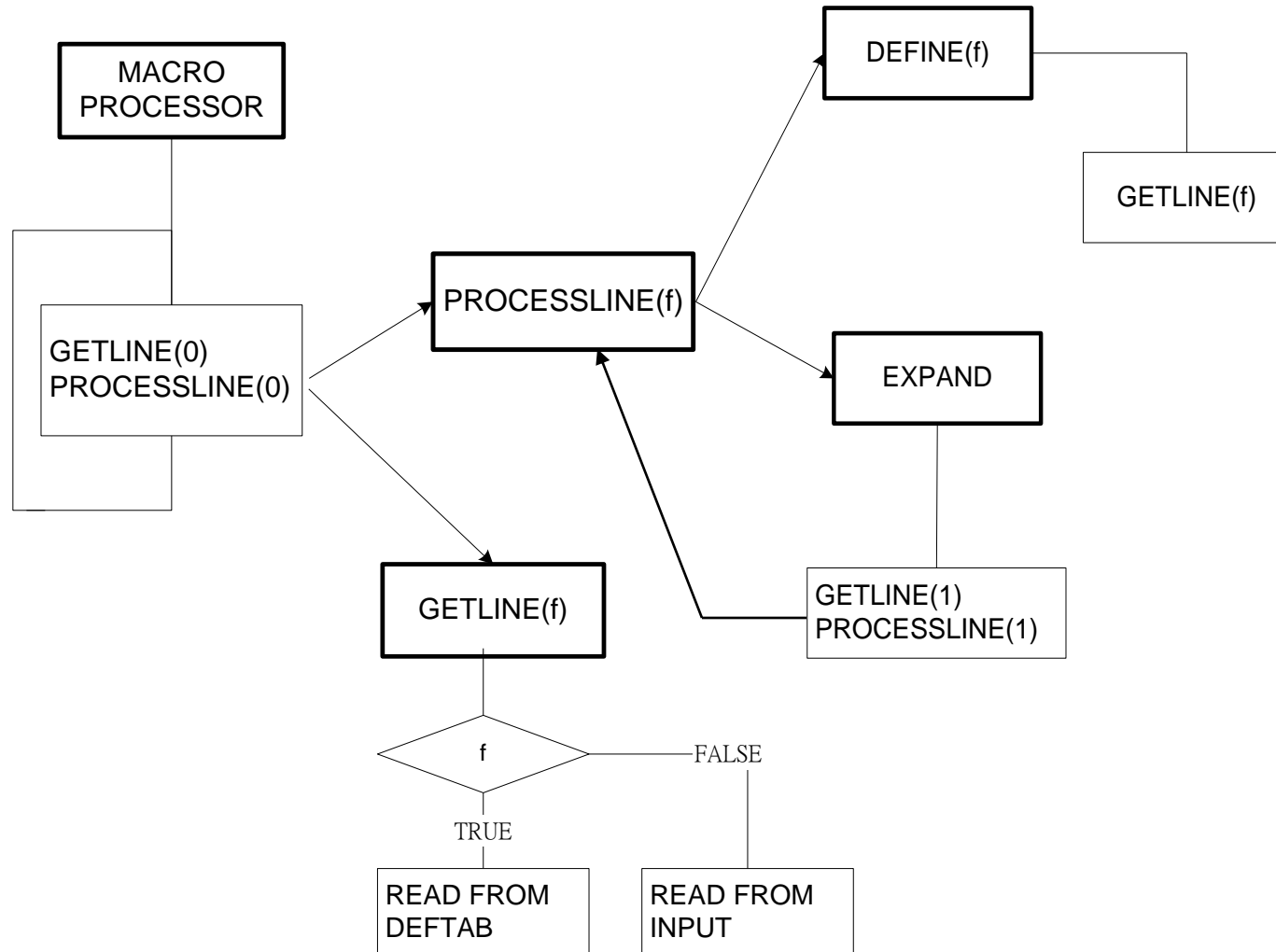
ARGTAB



1-Pass Macro Processor

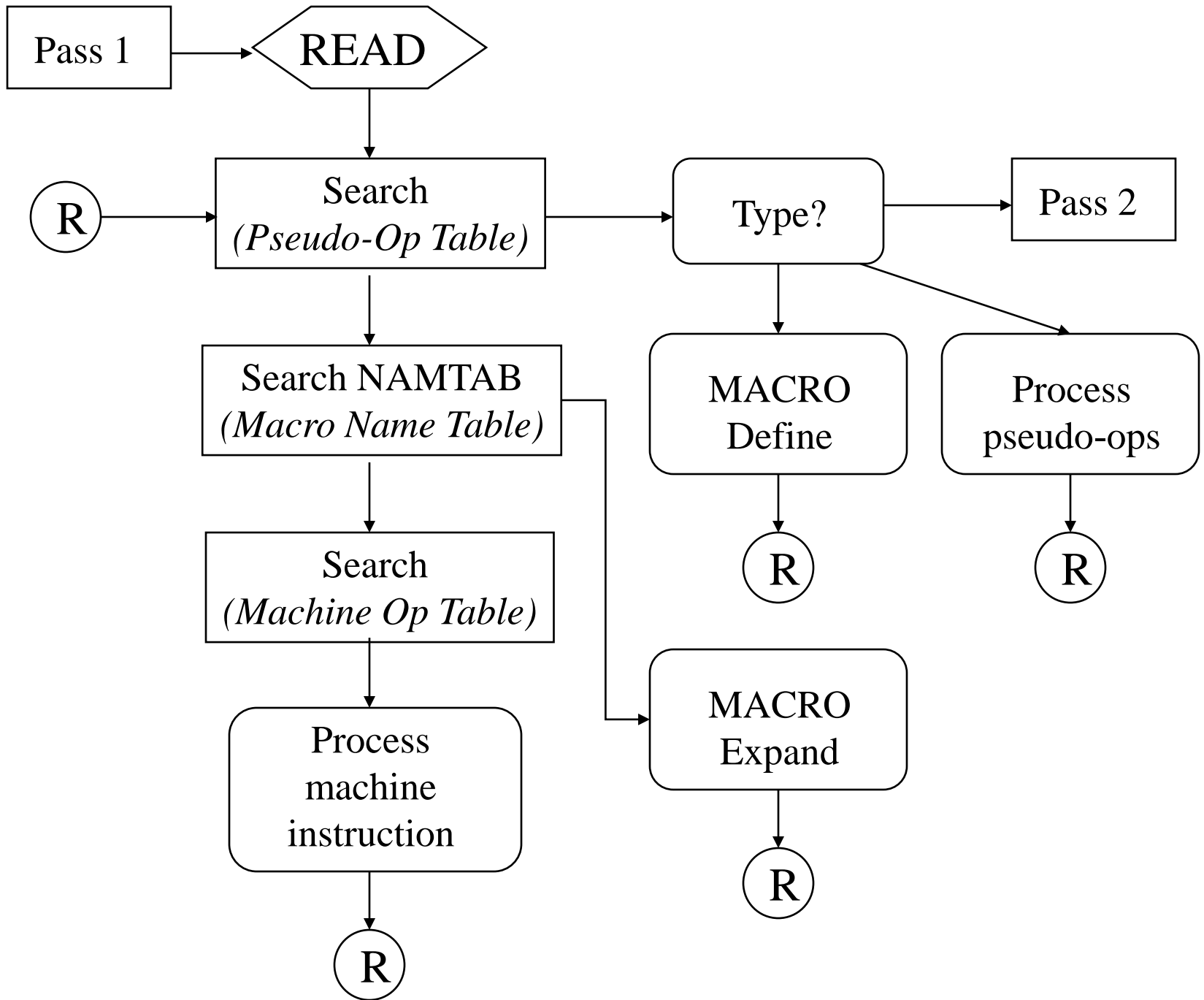


Allowing Nested Macro Invocation



Macro-Assembler

- Advantage
 - » reduce 1 pass
 - » share same data structure
- Disadvantage
 - » more complex



General Purpose Macro Processor

□ ELENA

- » Software: Practice and Experience, Vol. 14, pp. 519-531, Jun. 1984

□ Macro definition

- » header:
 - a sequence of keywords and parameter markers (%)
 - at least one of the first two tokens in a macro header must be a keyword, not a parameter marker
- » body:
 - the character & identifies a local label
 - macro time instruction (.SET, .IF .JUMP, .E)
 - macro time variables or labels (.)

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□ Macro invocation

- » There is no single token that constitutes the macro “name”
- » Constructing an index of all macro headers according to the keywords in the first two tokens of the header
- » Example

– DEFINITION:

- ADD %1 TO %2
- ADD %1 TO THE FIRST ELEMENT OF %2

– INVOCATION:

- DISPLAY TABLE

