

## CS 242: Lab 3 Problems: (make, gdb and sccs)

Note: The lines starting with a '\$' symbol represents a bash command line.

### Make

1. Install build-essential, which is a software suite of several essential utility software/tools, like – make and gdb.  
\$ sudo apt-get update  
\$ sudo apt install build-essential
2. Download the Quest game files that are used in the corresponding tutorial:  
\$ wget <https://github.com/sap01/2019-cs-242-make-tut/raw/master/Quest.tar.gz>  
  
Extract directory 'Quest':  
\$ tar -xvzf Quest.tar.gz
3. Study the source files (.c) and the header files (.h) to understand their 'dependency structure': who depends on whom. Then create a simple makefile named 'Makefile' following the instructions from the beginning of Section 2 till Section 2.3 of the GNU Make manual:  
<https://www.gnu.org/software/make/manual/make.html>
4. Modify your makefile by defining a variable (user-defined variable): See Section 2.4 of the GNU Make manual: <https://www.gnu.org/software/make/manual/make.html> . Note: There are three types of variables in makefiles: user-defined variables, special variables and automatic variables.
5. Modify your makefile by adding some special variables (variables used by implicit rules): See Section 10.1 to 10.3 of the GNU Make manual:  
<https://www.gnu.org/software/make/manual/make.html>
6. Modify your makefile by adding some automatic variables: See Section 10.5.3 of the GNU Make manual: <https://www.gnu.org/software/make/manual/make.html>
7. Modify your makefile by replacing all the rules that have '.o' files as their targets with a single pattern rule: See Sections 10.5.1 to 10.5.2 of the GNU Make manual:  
<https://www.gnu.org/software/make/manual/make.html>
8. Would not it be convenient if pre-requisites are automatically generated? See Section 4.14 of the GNU Make manual: <https://www.gnu.org/software/make/manual/make.html> to learn how that can be achieved.
9. Suppose, you have a variable in your makefile whose value is defined in another makefile. Learn how your makefile can read the value of that variable from the other makefile: See Section 3.3 of the GNU Make manual: <https://www.gnu.org/software/make/manual/make.html>

10. In-built functions are very useful while writing a makefile. Learn about them in Section 8 of the GNU Make manual: <https://www.gnu.org/software/make/manual/make.html>
11. Modify your makefile by adding a rule for cleaning your directory: See Section 2.7 of the GNU Make manual: <https://www.gnu.org/software/make/manual/make.html> . Please carefully understand the utilities and pitfalls of phony targets: See Section 4.6 of the GNU Make manual: <https://www.gnu.org/software/make/manual/make.html>
12. Modify your makefile by adding a default rule: See Section 10.6 of the GNU Make manual: <https://www.gnu.org/software/make/manual/make.html>
13. Understand how to name your makefile: See Section 3.2 of the GNU Make manual: <https://www.gnu.org/software/make/manual/make.html>
14. By default, running 'make' displays the commands being executed. To hide/silence them, use the '-s' flag:  
\$ make -s
15. The default shell used by a makefile to run its recipes is '/bin/sh' i.e. the Bourne shell. Change it to '/bin/bash' (the Bourne Again shell) using MAKESHELL, a special variable:  
MAKESHELL = /bin/bash
16. Create a sub-directory named 'include' inside directory 'Quest'. Move the header files inside that sub-directory. Then use the 'vpath' directive to search for header files inside sub-directory 'include'. Follow: <https://www.gnu.org/software/make/manual/make.html#Selective-Search>  
  
Also understand how special variable 'VPATH' (different from the 'vpath' directive) to set multiple directories to search for all types of pre-requisite files (not only header type of files). Follow: <https://www.gnu.org/software/make/manual/make.html#General-Search>
17. Check out a real makefile at: <https://github.com/vim/vim/blob/master/Makefile> . It is the makefile of the vim text editor. Don't worry; no question will come regarding this file in the exams. Check out the makefiles of your favourite utility software/tools for fun!

## GDB (The GNU Debugger)

1. Please follow the step-by-step intro at: <https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/gdb-step-by-step-introduction/>
2. Also study the quick guide to debugging with GDB at: [https://www.tutorialspoint.com/gnu\\_debugger/gdb\\_quick\\_guide.htm](https://www.tutorialspoint.com/gnu_debugger/gdb_quick_guide.htm) . Please skip Section 'GDB - Installation'.  
Kindly pay close attention to Section 'GDB - Debugging Examples'.  
Understand the difference between the 'next' and 'step' commands.

3. There is a Graphical User Interface (GUI) for GDB. It is called ddd (Data Display Debugger). Install it using:

```
$ sudo apt install ddd
```

## Once installed, press the windows button -> search for ddd -> click on ddd. Open any source file (.c) inside it and play around with its interface. No in-depth questions will be asked from ddd in the exams; just remember its name and what it does.

## SCCS (The Source Code Control System)

1. Install sccs by using the following command:  
\$ sudo apt install cssc  
## CSSC (Compatibly Stupid Source Control) is a software suite that contains SCCS.
2. Open 'An Introduction to the Source Code Control System' by Eric Allman at:  
<http://sccs.sourceforge.net/man/sccs.me.html> . Read Sections 1 and 2 to learn the basic functions and terminology of sccs.  
However, the term 'ID keywords' is not properly explained in the aforementioned reference. To mend the gap, read Section 'Incorporating Version-Dependent Information by Using ID Keywords' at:  
<https://docs.oracle.com/cd/E19504-01/802-5880/6i9k05dhp/index.html> .
3. Enter the following commands to create a new source file (prog.c) and put it into SCCS format:  
\$ mkdir sccs\_test  
\$ cd sccs\_test  
  
## Create a file named prog.c and  
## add a line to it.  
\$ echo 'This is the first line.' > prog.c  
  
\$ mkdir SCCS  
  
## The following command puts prog.c into SCCS format.  
## It creates an s-file for prog.c, named s.prog.c, and save it inside the SCCS sub-directory.  
\$ sccs create prog.c
4. Enter the following command to get the latest version of prog.c for compilation i.e. in a read-only mode. See Section 4 at: <http://sccs.sourceforge.net/man/sccs.me.html> .  
\$ sccs get prog.c
5. Enter the following commands for getting a copy of the latest version of prog.c for editing.  
\$ sccs edit prog.c  
## you may also use an equivalent command which is

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## $ sccs get -e prog.c
```

```
## Gather info on what is going on.
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```
## The following command tells you whether any file is being edited and if so then who is editing it.
```

```
$ sccs info
```

```
prog.c: being edited: 1.2 1.3 cse 19/08/26 17:12:45
```

```
## User 'cse' is editing prog.c since 19/08/26 17:12:45.
```

```
## The version number of the file is 1.2.1.3.
```

```
## Gather info on whether user named cse is editing any file.
```

```
$ sccs info -ucse
```

```
prog.c: being edited: 1.2 1.3 cse 19/08/26 17:12:45
```

```
## Append (i.e. '>>') a new line to prog.c
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```
$ echo 'This is the second line.' >> prog.c
```

```
## Print the changes you have made
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```
$ sccs diffs prog.c
```

```
## Put your changes into SCCS/s.prog.c i.e. create a delta, thus creating a new version of prog.c.
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```
$ sccs delta prog.c
```

```
## This command will ask for a comment. Add a comment that describes the change you have made. For example, 'Added a second line'.
```

```
## See Sections 5.1, 5.2 and 5.3 at: http://sccs.sourceforge.net/man/sccs.me.html .
```

6. Make some changes but discard them i.e. revert to the last version.

```
$ sccs edit prog.c
```

```
## Make some changes
```

```
$ echo 'This is the third line.' >> prog.c
```

```
## Discard the changes i.e. revert to the last version
```

```
$ sccs unedit prog.c
```

7. Get a specific version of a source file.

```
## Get version 1.1 of prog.c for compilation
```

```
$ sccs get -r1.1 prog.c
```

```
## or
```

```
## Get a copy of version 1.1 of prog.c for editing
```

```
$ sccs edit -r1.1 prog.c
```

8. Print the delta comments i.e. the change history of a file.

```
$ sccs prt prog.c
```

9. In case, you have missed something while writing a comment in a specific version, edit the comment.

```
## Edit the delta comment of version 1.2 of prog.c.
```

```
## This command will prompt for entering the new comment.
```

```
$ sccs cdc -r1.2 prog.c
```

10. Exclude a particular delta i.e. changes made in a particular version.

```
## Exclude delta 1.2
```

```
$ sccs edit -x1.2 prog.c
```

```
## Check whether the changes of delta 1.2 are still present in the file or not. They should not be present.
```

```
$ sccs diffs prog.c
```

```
$ cat prog.c
```

```
## Save the changes in a new delta
```

```
$ sccs delta prog.c
```

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## Note:
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## The following command excludes a range of deltas -- delta 1.3 to delta 1.5 .
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```
## $ sccs edit -x1.3-1.5 prog.c
```

```
## The following command excludes delta 1.3 to the last delta of release 1.
```

```
## If prog.c has 10 versions in release 1: delta 1.1 to delta 1.10, then the following command excludes delta 1.3 to delta 1.10.
```

```
## $ sccs edit -x1.3-1 prog.c
```

11. Version numbers are usually in the form of 'x.y', where x = major release, y = minor changes. Suppose, prog.c is at version 1.3 (release 1 version 3). Get a copy of it for the next major release i.e. release 2.1 (release 2 version 1) using:

```
$ sccs edit -r2 prog.c
```

```
## or
```

```
## You may change the release number of all source files in the current directory using:
```

```
$ sccs edit -r2 SCCS
```

12. Use SCCS with Make: See Section 13 of 'An Introduction to the Source Code Control System' by Eric Allman at: <http://sccs.sourceforge.net/man/sccs.me.html>