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Schedule

Today

1. More On Shell Scripts
2. Files: Timestamps and Size
3. Introduction to Build Automation
4. Using **make** and Makefiles

Quote Characters

Three different quote characters with different behavior:

- " double quote, weak quote

If a string is enclosed in " " the references to variables (i.e *\$variable*. - later lecture) are replaced by their values

- back-quote and escape \ characters are treated specially.

- ' single quote, strong quote

Everything inside single quotes are taken literally; nothing is treated as special.

- ` back quote (back tick) – alternative is \$(cmd)

Enclosed string is treated as a command and the shell attempts to execute it. If the execution is successful, the primary output from the command replaces the string.

Controlling Expansion: Quoting

- *word splitting* is where the shell removes extra whitespace from a command's list of arguments
 - word splitting looks for the presence of spaces, tabs, and newlines (line feed characters) and treats them as *delimiters* between words
 - unquoted spaces, tabs, and newlines are not considered to be part of the text. They serve only as separators

```
$ echo this is a      test
```

```
this is a test
```

- *double quotes* all the special characters used by the shell lose their special meaning and are treated as ordinary characters.
 - The exceptions are \$ (dollar sign), \ (backslash), and ` (backtick).

```
$ echo "this is a      test"
```

```
this is a      test
```

Command Substitution

\$(cmd args) allows us to use the output of a command as an expansion

Example

- **which** returns the pathnames of the files (or links) which would be executed in the current environment, had its arguments were used as commands in a shell

```
$ which cp
```

```
/usr/bin/cp
```

```
$ ls -ls $(which cp)
```

```
112 -rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 112780 Feb 28 2019 /usr/bin/cp
```

Use and Commenting

- Lines starting with # are comments except the very first line which starts with a **#!** (the **#!** is often referred to as the *shebang*) that tells the OS the absolute path to desired shell for interpreting the shell script
#! /usr/bin/bash
- On any line, characters following unquoted # are comments and ignored
- Comments are used to:
 - Identify who wrote it and when
 - Identify input variables
 - Make code easy to read
 - Explain complex code sections
 - Version control tracking
 - Record modifications

User Input During Shell Script Execution

User input from stdin (terminal or file) can be captured using the **read** command

```
$ cat exempleread.sh
#!/usr/bin/bash
echo "Please enter three filenames:"
read filea fileb filec
echo "These files are used:$filea $fileb $filec"
```

Each **read** statement reads an entire line (terminated by \n).

In the above example, if there are less than 3 items in the response the trailing variables will be set to blank ' '.

```
$ ./exempleread.sh
Please enter three filenames:
a b c
These files are used:a b c
```

Debugging shell scripts

Generous use of the **echo** command will help.

Run script with the **-x** parameter.

e.g. **\$ bash -x ./myscript**

or **\$ set -o xtrace** # before running the script.

These options can be added to the first line of the script where the shell is defined.

e.g. **#!/usr/bin/bash -xv**

Access Rights to Files and Directories

- file mode*, describe the read, write, and execute permissions for the file's owner, the group owner (many users in a group), and everybody else (world). Groups lists groups you are a member of

\$ groups

```
kmuller adm sudo audio video plugdev games users netdev lpadmin gpio i2c spi
```

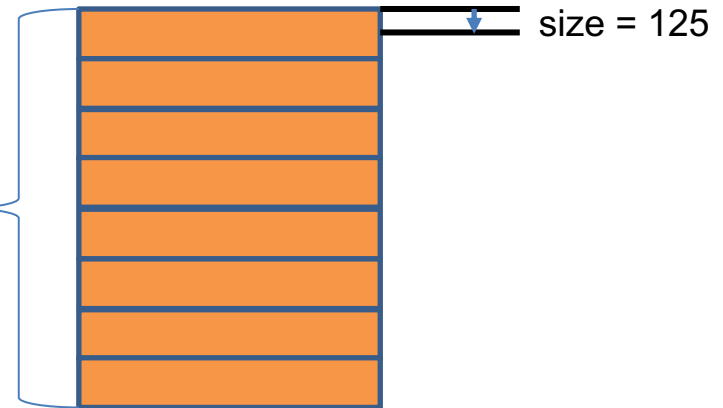
Special	Owner	Group	World (other)
suid, segid, restricted_deletion	rwX	rwX	rwX

Attribute	Files	Directories
r	Allows a file to be opened and read.	Allows a directory's contents to be listed if the execute attribute is also set.
w	Allows a file to be written to or truncated; however, this attribute does not allow files to be renamed or deleted. The ability to delete or rename files is determined by directory attributes.	Allows files within a directory to be created, deleted, and renamed if the execute attribute is also set.
x	Allows a file to be treated as a program and executed. Program files written in scripting languages must also be set as readable to be executed.	Allows a directory to be entered, e.g., <i>cd directory</i> .

File and Directory Attributes: Size & Time

```
$ cat main.c
#include<stdlib.h>
#include<stdio.h>
char mesg[]="Hello World\n";
int
main(void)
{
    printf(mesg);
    return EXIT_SUCCESS;
}
```

blocks = 8
(8 * 4096)



```
$ stat !$
```

!\$ is a shortcut for last arg of previous command

```
stat main.c
```

```
File: main.c
```

```
Size: 125      Blocks: 8      IO Block: 4096   regular file
```

```
Device: 802h/2050d Inode: 644924    Links: 1
```

```
Access: (0644/-rw-r--r--) Uid: (1001/ kmuller)  Gid: (1001/ kmuller)
```

```
Access: 2021-01-15 08:53:34.973801688 -0800
```

Last time file data accessed read/write

```
Modify: 2020-06-03 14:33:24.000000000 -0700
```

Last time file data was modified (written)

```
Change: 2021-01-15 08:53:34.973801688 -0800
```

Last time file data or metadata was changed

File and Directory Attributes: Timestamps

```
$ touch main.c
```

```
$ !s
```

```
stat main.c
```

```
File: main.c
```

```
Size: 125          Blocks: 8          IO Block: 4096    regular file
```

```
Device: 802h/2050d Inode: 644924      Links: 1
```

```
Access: (0644/-rw-r--r--)  Uid: (1001/  kmuller)    Gid: (1001/  kmuller)
```

```
Access: 2021-01-27 11:15:50.228359591 -0800
```

Last time file data was accessed read/write

```
Modify: 2021-01-27 11:15:50.228359591 -0800
```

Last time file data was modified (written)

```
Change: 2021-01-27 11:15:50.228359591 -0800
```

Last time file data or metadata was changed

```
$ cat main.c > /dev/null
```

```
$ !st
```

```
stat main.c
```

```
File: main.c
```

```
Size: 125          Blocks: 8          IO Block: 4096    regular file
```

```
Device: 802h/2050d Inode: 644924      Links: 1
```

```
Access: (0644/-rw-r--r--)  Uid: (1001/  kmuller)    Gid: (1001/  kmuller)
```

```
Access: 2021-01-27 11:15:50.228359591 -0800
```

```
Modify: 2021-01-27 11:15:50.228359591 -0800
```

```
Change: 2021-01-27 11:15:50.228359591 -0800
```

Last time file data was accessed
read/write (NOATIME Disabled on
SSD's performance optimization)

File and Directory Attributes: Timestamps

```
$ touch -a main.c
```

```
$ !st
```

```
stat main.c
```

```
File: main.c
```

```
Size: 125          Blocks: 8          IO Block: 4096    regular file
```

```
Device: 802h/2050d Inode: 644924      Links: 1
```

```
Access: (0644/-rw-r--r--)  Uid: (1001/  kmuller)   Gid: (1001/  kmuller)
```

```
Access: 2021-01-27 11:25:03.093901779 -0800
```

Last time file data was accessed read/write

```
Modify: 2021-01-27 11:15:50.228359591 -0800
```

Last time file data was modified (written)

```
Change: 2021-01-27 11:25:03.093901779 -0800
```

Last time file data or metadata was changed

Make

- **make** is a program for controlling what gets (re)compiled/recreated and how
 - Many other such programs exist (e.g. `ant`, `maven`, IDE “projects”)
- **make** has tons of complex features, but only two basic ideas:
 - 1) Scripts for executing commands
 - 2) Dependencies for avoiding unnecessary work
- In industry, Programmers spend a lot of time “building”
 - Creating programs from source code
 - Both programs that they write, and other people write
- Programmers like to automate repetitive tasks
 - Repetitive: `gcc -Wall -g -o widget foo.c bar.c baz.c`
 - Retype this every time: 😭
 - Use up-arrow or history: 😐
 - Have an alias or bash script: 😊
 - Have a Makefile: 😊

Recompilation Management

- The “theory” behind avoiding unnecessary compilation/processing is a *modification time-based dependency DAG*
(**D**irected, **A**cyclic **G**raph)
- To create a target t ,
 - you need sources s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n
 - and command(s) c that directly or indirectly uses the sources to create the *targets*
- It t is newer than every source (based on file-modification times by the OS)
 - assume there is no reason to rebuild it
- *Recursive building*: if some source s_i is itself a target for some other sources, see if it needs to be rebuilt...

Theory Applied to C

```
#include "foo.h"
char *
foo(void)
{
}
```

file: foo.c

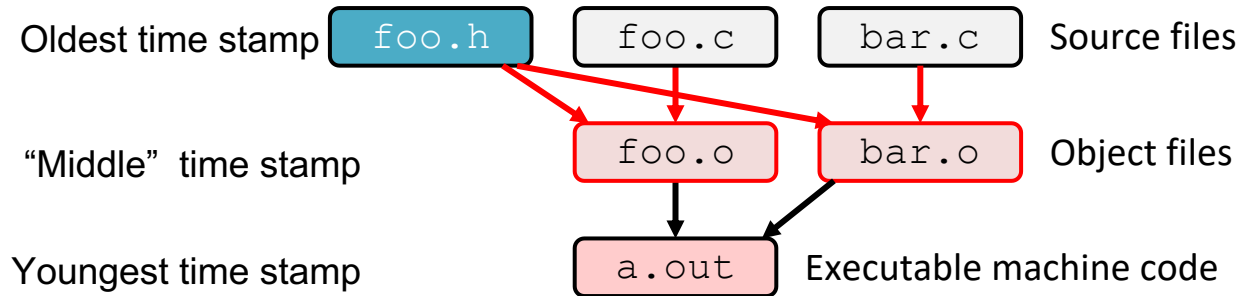
```
#define XXX 7
```

file: foo.h

```
#include "foo.h"
int
bar(void)
{
    char *x = foo();
}
```

file: bar.c

this is the DAG
use file change
times to
determine which
files are up to
date



- Compiling a .c creates a .o
 - `gcc -c foo.c` creates `foo.o`
 - the .o depends on the .c and all included files (.h, recursively/transitively)
- Creating an executable (“linking”) depends on .o files
 - `gcc foo.o bar.o` creates `a.out`
- If one .c file changes, all that really needs to be done is to recreate one .o file, maybe a library, and re-link
- If a .h file changes, may need to rebuild more

make and Makefiles

- One simple but powerful scripting framework is **make**
 - When **make** is run, it looks for a file named **Makefile** in the current working directory
 - The **Makefile** contains rules, which tell **make** what to do
 - You can also use `-f` to specify a different makefile
- ```
make -f makefile
```



# make and simple Makefile rules

- **make** interprets a simple Makefile rule as a script with the given target
- Each rule has a **target**
  - The target refers to a filename in the current working directory!
- A Makefile can have multiple rules, each with a different target
- Running **make name<sub>i</sub>** will execute the actions in the rule that has target **name<sub>i</sub>**
- Running **make** will execute the first rule by default

# General Makefile Rule Structure

- Makefile Rules have the following form:

```
target : dependency1 ... dependencyM
 action1
 ...
 actionN
```

Use TAB!  
Not space



Each line of the script can  
use standard Unix  
commands



# Aside: VIM and tab expansion

```
in file .vimrc
set shiftwidth=4
set tabstop=4
set noexpandtab
```

```
$ cat makefile
hello: hwl.o
 gcc hwl.o -o hello
```

```
hwl.o: hwl.s
 gcc -c hwl.s
```

```
clean:
 rm -f hwl.o hello
```

```
$ cat Makefile
hello: hwl.o
 gcc hwl.o -o hello
```

```
hwl.o: hwl.s
 gcc -c hwl.s
clean:
 rm -f hwl.o hello
```

```
$ make -f Makefile
make: 'hello' is up to date.
```

```
$ make -f makefile
makefile:3: *** missing separator. Stop.
```

```
$ od -c makefile
```

```
00000000 \n h e l l o : h w l . o \n
00000020 g c c h w l . o - o h
00000040 e l l o \n \n h w l . o : h w l
00000060 . s \n g c c - c h w
00000100 l . s \n c l e a n : \n r
00000120 m - f h w l . o h e l l o
00000140 \n
```

# General Makefile Rule Structure

```
target : dependency1 ... dependencyM
 action1
 ...
 actionN
```

- Dependencies may also be targets in the Makefile
- If any dependency is older, **make** will try to re-make it FIRST!
- This creates chains of dependence: a file can depend on some files, which depend on other files, etc. **make** can figure all this out!

# Rule Interpretation

**target** : **dependency<sub>1</sub>** ... **dependency<sub>M</sub>**  
    **action<sub>1</sub>**  
    ...  
    **action<sub>N</sub>**

“to make the **target**,  
    first make all its **dependencies**,  
    then perform all the **actions**”

# Makefile timestamps and dependencies

- The dependencies in a rule can be the names of other targets in the Makefile
- In that case, a rule like

**target<sub>0</sub>** : **target<sub>1</sub>** ... **target<sub>M</sub>**

**action<sub>1</sub>**

...

**action<sub>N</sub>**

will execute the actions for **target<sub>1</sub>** through **target<sub>M</sub>**,  
and then the actions for **target<sub>0</sub>**

- The actions will be performed if any of the dependencies are newer than the target.

# Make Basics

- A Makefile contains a bunch of **triples**:

```
target: source_1, ... source_N
 ← Tab → command(s)
```

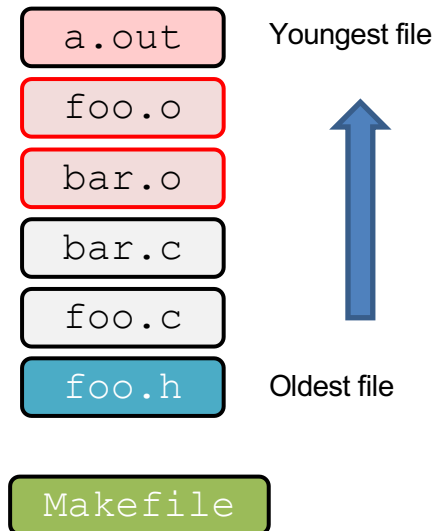
1. Target compared to sources by file modification time
2. When any of source\_1 to source\_N is younger (newer file modification time) than target then run the command
3. Running command must **update/create/"touch"** the target
  - Colon after target is *required*
  - Command lines must start with a **TAB**, NOT SPACES
  - Multiple commands for same target are executed *in order*
    - Can split commands over multiple lines by ending lines with '\'

- Example:

```
bar.o: bar.c foo.h bar.h
 gcc -Wall -c bar.c
```

do not forget the tab!!!!

Make looks at mtime  
the Directory contents



# Using Make

```
$ make -f <makefileName> target
```

- Defaults:
  - If no `-f` specified, (this is what I do) use a file named `Makefile`
  - If `target` is NOT specified, the target will be the first target in the `Makefile`
  - Will interpret commands in your default shell
    - Set `SHELL` variable in `Makefile` to use a different shell
- Target execution:
- Check each source in the source list:
  - If the source is a target in the `Makefile`, then process it recursively
  - If some source does not exist, then error
  - If any source is newer than the target (or target does not exist), run `command` (presumably to update the target)



# Simple Makefile example

“to make the **target**, first make all its **dependencies**,  
then perform all the **actions**”

What will happen if we **make all** for the following Makefile?

What if we **make all** again?

```
all: target1 target2
 echo "All done!"

target1:
 echo "Line 1 printed"

target2:
 echo "Line 2 printed"
 touch target2
```

# Simple Makefile Run

```
$ make (or make all)
```

```
echo "Line 1 printed"
```

```
Line 1 printed
```

```
echo "Line 2 printed"
```

```
Line 2 printed
```

```
touch target2
```

```
echo "All done!"
```

```
All done!
```

```
$ make
```

```
echo "Line 1 printed"
```

```
Line 1 printed
```

```
echo "All done!"
```

```
All done!
```

# The .PHONY target

- A target that is always out of date!

```
clean:
 rm -rf *.class
```

be real careful  
with `rm -r`

What if there was a file called clean in  
the same directory?

```
.PHONY: clean
clean:
 rm -rf *.class
```

# Command Execution in Make

- Each command line is executed in a separate shell
- Use `;` (semicolon) between commands to execute sequentially!
- If lines are too long, use `\` (backslash) to continue on the next line

# Command Execution Example

```
all:
 cd ..
 # The cd above does not affect line
below
 echo `pwd`

 # This cd command affects the next
 # because they are on the same line
 cd ../;echo `pwd`

 # Same as above
 cd ../; \
 echo `pwd`
```

# Make in Java Development

- Example: in basic Java development, you could have these rules in a Makefile:

```
Prog.class: Prog.java
 javac Prog.java
run: Prog.class
 java Prog
```

- Now: running **make run** will compile Prog.java if it doesn't exist or is newer than Prog.class, and execute the program

# Makefile macros

- Makefiles can contain macros, which act like variables.
- For example, if you have a lot of files in your java project, define a macro like:

**CLASSES = A.class B.class X.class Y.class**

- And then write the rule:

**all: \$(CLASSES)**

- Now with the suffix rule shown before, running **make** **all** will compile all the .java files into .class files

# make macros

## Example (Makefile contents):

```
CC = gcc
CFLAGS = -Wall -g
bar.o: bar.c foo.h bar.h
 $(CC) $(CFLAGS) -c bar.c
```

- Easy to change things (especially in multiple commands)
- Can also specify on the command line (over-ride for OSX for example):  
(*e.g.* make foo.o CC=clang CFLAGS=-g)

```
OBJS = foo.o bar.o baz.o
widget: $(OBJS)
 gcc -Wall $(OBJS) -o widget
clean:
 rm -f $(OBJS) widget
```



# Suffix Directive

- For every file X.java in your Java project, you could write a rule

```
X.class: X.java
javac X.java
```

- But if you have a lot of such files, it would be tedious to write a rule for each of them
- By using a **suffix directive**, you can write just one rule that handles all the files at once

# Suffix Directives

- In the Makefile, write the suffix directive:  
**.SUFFIXES: .java .class**
- And then write the suffix rule:  
**.java.class:**  
**javac \$<**
- The **\$<** symbol means: the dependency, whatever it is  
(Like any rule, the action line must start with a tab)
- Now any .class target file will be made from the corresponding .java file
- *Note: Make was originally made with C in mind and has built-in implicit rules similar to these for handling .c and .o files!*

# Automatic Variables

When writing Makefiles, you will want to reference targets, dependency names, etc.

Use **make**'s automatic variables!

**\$@** filename of the target

**\$%** target member name

**\$<** first dependency

**\$^** all dependencies

**\$?** all dependencies newer than target

Longer list: [https://www.gnu.org/software/make/manual/html\\_node/Automatic-Variables.html](https://www.gnu.org/software/make/manual/html_node/Automatic-Variables.html)