

Compiler Laboratory

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How to create library modules in C++ ?

C++ Program using System Call

```
#include <unistd.h>
#define LEN 19
int main()                                // second.cpp
{
    char str[LEN] = "My second program\n";
    write(1, str, LEN);    // STDOUT_FILENO=1
    _exit(0) ;
}
```



```
movl    $1852793701, -28(%rbp)
        # 0110 1110 0110 1111 0110 0011 0110 0101
        # 6E 6F 63 65 - "noce"

movl    $1919950948, -24(%rbp)
        # 0111 0010 0111 0000 0010 0000 0110 0100
        # 72 70 20 64 - "rp d"

movl    $1634887535, -20(%rbp)
        # 0110 0001 0111 0010 0110 0111 0110 1111
        # 61 72 67 6F - "argo"

movw    $2669, -16(%rbp)
        # 0000 1010 0110 1101
        # 0A 6D - "\nm"

movb    $0, -14(%rbp)
        # 0000 0000
        # 00 - '\0'
```

```

        leaq    -32(%rbp), %rax          # rax <-- (rbp - 32) (str)
        movl    $19, %edx                # edx <-- 19 (LEN)
        movq    %rax, %rsi              # esi <-- rax (str)
        movl    $1, %edi                 # edi <-- 1 (stdout)
        call    write                   # call write
        movl    $0, %edi                 # edi <-- 0
        call    _exit                    # call exit

.LFE0:
        .size   main, .-main
        .ident  "GCC: (Ubuntu/Linaro 4.6.3-1ubuntu5) 4.6.3"
        .section .note.GNU-stack,"",@progbits

```

Using x86-64 Software Interrupt

```
#include <asm/unistd.h>
#include <syscall.h>
#define STDOUT_FILENO 1

.file "second.S"
.section .rodata
L1:
    .string "My Second program\n"
L2:
.text
.globl _start
```

```
_start:
    movl $(SYS_write), %eax           # eax <-- parameters to write
    movq $(STDOUT_FILENO), %rdi      # rdi <-- 1 (stdout)
    movq $L1, %rsi                   # rsi <-- starting address of string
    movq $(L2-L1), %rdx               # rdx <-- L2 - L1 string length
    syscall                          # software interrupt
                                     # user process requesting OS service

    movl $(SYS_exit), %eax           # eax <-- 60(exit) parameters to exit
    movq $0, %rdi                    # rdi <-- 0
    syscall                          # software interrupt
    ret                              # return
```


Creating a Simple C++ Library

Simple Library: Printing an Integer

```
#define BUFF 20                                // filename "printInt.cpp"
void print_int(int n) {
    char buff[BUFF], zero='0';
    int i=0, j, k, bytes;
    if(n == 0) buff[i++]=zero;
    else {
        if (n < 0) {
            buff[i++]='-';
            n = -n;
        }
        while (n) {
            int dig = n%10;
            buff[i++] = (char) (zero + dig);
            n /= 10;
        }
    }
}
```

```

        if (buff[0] == '-') j = 1;
        else j = 0;
        k = i - 1;
        while (j < k) {
            char temp=buff[j];
            buff[j++] = buff[k];
            buff[k--] = temp;
        }
    }
    buff[i] = '\n';
    bytes = i + 1;

```

```

    __asm__ __volatile__ (
        "movl $1, %%eax \n\t"
        "movq $1, %%rdi \n\t"
        "syscall \n\t"
        :
        : "S" (buff), "d" (bytes)
    );

```

// \$1: on stdin

Tells the compiler that it is not allowed to move this assembly block.

Printing an Integer

```
#ifndef _MYPRINTINT_H                // printInt.h
#define _MYPRINTINT_H
void print_int(int);
#endif

#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
#include "printInt.h"

int main()                          // mainPrintInt.cpp
{
    int n;
    cout << "Enter an integer: "; cin >> n;
    print_int(n);
    return 0;
}
```

#ifndef, #endif ::
Handled by the C
preprocessor

Creating a Library

```
$ g++ -Wall -c printInt.cpp
$ ar -rcs libprintInt.a printInt.o
$ g++ -Wall -c mainPrintInt.cpp
$ g++ mainPrintInt.o -L. -lprintInt
$ ./a.out
Enter an integer: -123
-123
$
```

Make file

- An utility program that automatically decides which part of a large software requires to be recompiled.
- The structure of a Makefile is a sequence of the following form:

Target: Prerequisites
Command

- **Target:** name of a file generated by a program, e.g. main.o
- **Prerequisites:** files required to create the target, e.g. main.cpp, xyz.h
- **Command:** used to create the target, e.g. cpp -Wall main.cpp

A Simple Makefile

```
a.out:          mainPrintInt.o libprintInt.a
                c++ mainPrintInt.o -L. -lprintInt

mainPrintInt.o:  mainPrintInt.cpp printInt.h
                c++ -Wall -c mainPrintInt.cpp

libprintInt.a:   printInt.o
                ar -rcs libprintInt.a printInt.o

printInt.o:      printInt.cpp printInt.h
                c++ -Wall -c printInt.cpp

clean:
                rm a.out mainPrintInt.o libprintInt.a printInt.o
```

Using Makefile

```
$ make clean
```

```
rm a.out mainPrintInt.o libprintInt.a printInt.o
```

```
$ make
```

```
c++ -Wall -c mainPrintInt.cpp
```

```
c++ -Wall -c printInt.cpp
```

```
ar -rcs libprintInt.a printInt.o
```

```
c++ mainPrintInt.o -L. -lprintInt
```


Point to Note

- We may copy the library to a standard directory as a super-user. In that case specifying the library path is not necessary.

```
$ cp libprintInt.a /usr/lib
```

```
$ c++ mainPrintInt.o -lprintInt
```

Shared Library

- Following are the steps for creating a shared library:

```
$ g++ -Wall -fPIC -c printInt.cpp
```

```
$ g++ -shared -Wl,-soname,libprintInt.so -o  
libprintInt.so printInt.o
```

- Perform the following steps as super-user:

```
$ cp libprintInt.so /usr/lib
```

```
$ ldconfig -n /usr/lib
```

- The soft link “libprintInt.so.1” is created under /usr/lib.
- Final compilation:

```
$ g++ mainPrintInt.o -lprintInt
```

The new “a.out” does not contain the code of “print_int()”. Rather, it contains the corresponding Procedure Linkage Table (plt).

Thank you