

# Programming basics

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## Problem:

If a function is very simple, the *time of invocation* is comparable with the *time of operation* → ineffectice, slow programs

## Solution:

Change function calls to macro substitution! → text replacement with the preprocessor

# Macros with arguments

operation1.c

```
1 #include <stdio.h>
2
3 int square(int x) {
4     return x * x;
5 }
6
7 int main(void) {
8     printf("%d^2=%d\n", 3, square(3));      // 3*3 = 9
9     printf("%d^2=%d\n", 3+1, square(3+1)); // 4*4 = 16
10    return 0;
11 }
```

Task: substitute all function calls with macros!

```
#define name(identifier-list) preprocessor-symbols newline
```

# Macros with arguments

## Caution!

It is forbidden to put a whitespace character between **SQUARE** and **(**! → changes the meaning to simple macro substitution, without arguments

### operation2.c

```
1  #include <stdio.h>
2
3  #define SQUARE(x) x*x
4
5  int main(void) {
6      printf("%d^2=%d\n", 3, SQUARE(3));    // 3*3 = 9
7      printf("%d^2=%d\n", 3+1, SQUARE(3+1)); // 3+1*3+1 = 7
8      return 0;
9  }
```

Problem: order of operations!

Solution: brackets

# Macros with arguments

operation3.c

```
1 #include <stdio.h>
2
3 #define SQUARE(x) (x)*(x)
4
5 int main(void) {
6     printf("%d^2=%d\n", 3, SQUARE(3));    // (3)*(3) = 9
7     printf("%d^2=%d\n", 3+1, SQUARE(3+1)); // (3+1)*(3+1)=16
8     return 0;
9 }
```

Next task: write a macro for addition!

# Macros with arguments

## operation4.c

```
3 #define SQUARE(x) (x)*(x)
4 #define ADD(x,y) (x)+(y)
5
6 int add(int x, int y) {
7     return x + y;
8 }
9
10 int main(void) {
11     printf("%d^2=%d\n", 3, SQUARE(3));
12     printf("%d^2=%d\n", 3+1, SQUARE(3+1));
13     printf("1+2=%d\n", ADD(1, 2));           // (1)+(2)=3
14     printf("4*1+2=%d\n", 4*ADD(1, 2));       // 4*(1)+(2)=6
15     printf("4*(1+2)=%d\n", 4*add(1, 2));     // 4*(1+2)=12
16     printf("4*(1+2)=%d\n", 4*(ADD(1, 2)));   // 4*((1)+(2))=12
17     return 0;
18 }
```

Problem: actual parameters are evaluated before function invocation, but are used without any modifications in case of macros → different program behavior, misleading

Solution: further brackets

# Macros with arguments

operation5.c

```
3 #define SQUARE(x) ((x)*(x))
4 #define ADD(x,y) ((x)+(y))
5
6 int add(int x, int y) {
7     return x + y;
8 }
9
10 int main(void) {
11     printf("%d^2=%d\n", 3, SQUARE(3));
12     printf("%d^2=%d\n", 3+1, SQUARE(3+1));
13     printf("1+2=%d\n", ADD(1, 2));           // ((1)+(2))=3
14     printf("4*(1+2)=%d\n", 4*ADD(1, 2));     // 4*((1)+(2))=12
15     printf("4*(1+2)=%d\n", 4*add(1, 2));     // 4*(1+2)=12
16     return 0;
17 }
```

# Macros with arguments

Task: modify our earlier matrix addition program to calculate indexes with a macro!

mtxAdd5.c

```
5 // macro with arguments
6 #define idx(r,c,rowLength) ((r)*(rowLength)+(c))
7
8 int* allocate(int rows, int cols) {
9     return (int*)malloc(rows * cols * sizeof(int));
10 }
11
12 void generate(int* m, int rows, int cols) {
13     for(int r=0; r<rows; r++) {
14         for(int c=0; c<cols; c++) {
15             m[idx(r, c, cols)] = 10 + rand()%40;
16         }
17     }
18 }
```



## Pros:

- Faster than a function call
- The code is less type-dependent

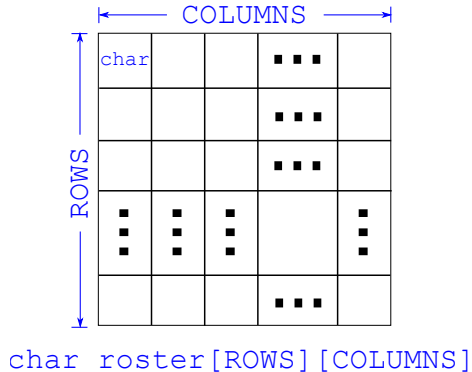
## Cons:

- No type checks, hard to explore mistakes
- Code size increases, it is not suitable to replace complex functions
- The evaluation of passed expressions happens several times → time, side effects

# Sorting names

Task:

- Read names and list them in alphabetical order!
- For the sake of simplicity, store the characters of names in a two-dimensional array



# Sorting names

roster1.c

```
4  #define ROWS 10
5  #define COLUMNS 30

47 int main(void) {
48     printf("Sorting names\n");
49     char roster[ROWS][COLUMNS];
50     int n = read(roster);
51     bubble(roster, n);
52     printf("Names in alphabetic order:\n");
53     print(roster, n);
54     return 0;
55 }
```

## roster1.c

```
16 int read(char (*a)[COLUMNS]) {
17     int n;
18     printf("Number of names to be sorted (max. %d): ", ROWS);
19     scanf("%d%c", &n);
20     if(n > ROWS) n = ROWS;
21     for(int i=0; i<n; i++) {
22         printf("Name #%d: ", i+1);
23         size_getline(a[i], COLUMNS-1);
24     }
25     return n;
26 }
```

# Sorting names

roster1.c

```
28 void bubble(char (*a)[COLUMNS], int n) {
29     for(int e=n-1; e>=1; e--) {
30         for(int b=0; b<e; b++) {
31             if(strcmp(a[b], a[b+1]) > 0) {
32                 char swap[COLUMNS];
33                 strcpy(swap, a[b]);
34                 strcpy(a[b], a[b+1]);
35                 strcpy(a[b+1], swap);
36             }
37         }
38     }
39 }
```

## roster1.c

```
41 void print(char (*a)[COLUMNS], int n) {  
42     for(int i=0; i<n; i++) {  
43         printf("%s\n", a[i]);  
44     }  
45 }
```