

System-Level Programming

50 Examples

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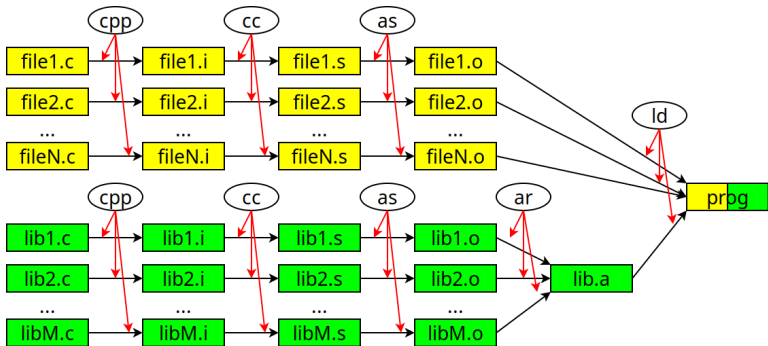
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Build Chain



Steps:

cpp: C preprocessor Resolution of “#” instructions

cc: C compiler Simplifying C code, translating to assembler

as: Assembler Translate Assembler code to binary code

ar: Achiever Put together binary codes into libraries

ld: Linker Link together binary codes and libraries

C Preprocessor

file.h:

```
#define USE_MAIN
#define TEXT "hallo"
#define OUTPUT(x) \
    printf("%s\n", x)
```

file.c:

```
#include "file.h"
#define REPEAT(n) \
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++);

#ifdef USE_MAIN
int main(void) {
    REPEAT(10)
        OUTPUT(TEXT);
    return 0;
}
#else
#error "Problem..."
#endif
```



C Preprocessor

1. step (resolve #includes):

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2. step (evaluate #ifs):

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#define REPEAT(n) \
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#ifdef USE_MAIN
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    printf("%s\n", x)
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    OUTPUT(TEXT);
    return 0;
}
```



3. step (replace text):

```
#define USE_MAIN
#define TEXT "hallo"
#define OUTPUT(x) \
    printf("%s\n", x)
#define REPEAT(n) \
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++);

int main(void) {
    REPEAT(10)
        OUTPUT(TEXT);
    return 0;
}
```

file.i:

```
int main(void) {
    for (int i = 0; i < 10; i++);
        printf("%s\n", "hallo");
    return 0;
}
```



Calculations

- Calculations always with the **largest type** involved (at least “int”)
- Conversion possible for saving the result

```
uint8_t x;  
uint8_t y;  
double d;  
  
x = 2 * y + 3 * d;
```

```
uint8_t x;  
uint8_t y;  
double d;  
  
/* first product */  
int reg0 = (int) y;  
int reg1 = 2 * reg0;  
  
/* second product */  
double reg2 = d;  
double reg3 = 3.0 * reg2;  
  
/* sum */  
double reg4 = (double) reg1;  
double reg5 = reg4 + reg3;  
  
/* result */  
x = (uint8_t) reg5;
```



Types

```
int a;  
int *b;  
int **c;  
  
int d[10];  
int *e[10];  
  
int f(int a);  
int *g(int a);  
  
int (*h)(int a);  
int *(*i)(int a);
```

```
const int a = 1;  
  
const int *b = &a;  
int * const c = NULL;  
const int * const d = b;  
  
volatile int e;  
  
volatile int *f;  
int * volatile g;  
volatile int * volatile h;  
  
const volatile int * const i = ...;
```

```
volatile int *(* const func)(void (*)(int *[])) = ...;
```



sizeof

```
int main(void) {
    uint32_t a, b[10], *c;
    struct {
        uint32_t x;
        uint32_t y;
    } d, e[10], *f;
    printf("%d\n", (int) sizeof(a)); /* printf("%zd\n", sizeof(a)); */
    printf("%d\n", (int) sizeof(b));
    printf("%d\n", (int) sizeof(c));
    printf("%d\n", (int) sizeof(d));
    printf("%d\n", (int) sizeof(e));
    printf("%d\n", (int) sizeof(f));
    return 0;
}
```

```
~> arch
x86_64
~> ./test
4
40
8
8
80
8
```



sizeof / Arrays

```
static void funcA(uint32_t *array) {
    printf("funcA: %zd\n", sizeof(array));
}
static void funcB(uint32_t array[]) {
    printf("funcB: %zd\n", sizeof(array)); /* <-- Warnung! */
}
static void funcC(uint32_t array[10]) {
    printf("funcC: %zd\n", sizeof(array)); /* <-- Warnung! */
}
int main(void) {
    uint32_t array[10];
    funcA(array); funcB(array); funcC(array);
    printf("func: %zd\n", sizeof(array));
    return 0;
}
```

```
~> arch
x86_64
~> ./test
funcA: 8
funcB: 8
funcC: 8
func: 40
```



Java-Version:

```
class Test {  
    int val;  
  
    int square() {  
        return this.val * this.val;  
    }  
}
```

...

```
Test obj = new Test;
```

```
obj.val = 13;
```

```
System.println(obj.square());
```

...

C-Version:

```
struct Test {  
    int val;  
}  
  
int square(struct Test *this) {  
    return this->val * this->val;  
}
```

...

```
struct Test *obj  
    = malloc(sizeof(struct Test));  
if (obj == NULL) { ... }  
obj->val = 13;  
printf("%d\n", square(obj));  
free(obj);  
...
```



C vs. JAVA

Java-Version:

```
class Test {  
    ...  
}  
...  
Test obj = new Test;  
obj.val = 13;  
System.println(obj.square());
```

C-Version:

```
typedef struct {  
    ...  
} Test;  
...  
Test *obj = NEW(Test);  
obj->val = 13;  
printf("%d\n", square(obj));  
DELETE(obj);
```

with

```
#define NEW(type)    ((type *) new(sizeof(type)))  
#define DELETE(ptr) free(ptr)  
  
void *new(size_t size) {  
    void *ptr = malloc(size);  
    if (ptr == NULL) {  
        perror("malloc");  
        exit(EXIT_FAILURE);  
    }  
    return ptr;  
}
```



Event Handling

```
static volatile uint8_t event1;
static volatile uint8_t event2;
...
ISR(..._vect) {
    ...
    event1 = 1;
}

ISR(..._vect) {
    ...
    event2 = 1;
}
...
void main(void) {
    /* Initialize events. */
    ...
    sleep_enable();

    /* Enable interrupts. */
    sei();
    ...
}
```

```
while (1) {
    /* Wait for event. */
    cli();
    while (! event1 && ! event2) {
        sei();
        sleep_cpu();
        cli();
    }
    sei();

    /* Handle event. */
    if (event1) {
        event1 = 0;
        ...
    }
    if (event2) {
        event2 = 0;
        ...
    }
}
```



Original code:

```
/* "volatile" erroneously missing! */
static uint16_t counter;
...
ISR(...) {
    counter++;
}

...

cli();

while (counter < 100) {
    sei();
    sleep_cpu();
    cli();
}
sei();
...
```

simplified code:

```
/* v-- "volatile" missing! */
static uint16_t counter;
...
ISR(...) {
    uint16_t reg;
    reg = counter;
    reg++;
    counter = reg;
}

...
uint16_t reg;
cli();
goto test;
op:
sei();
sleep_cpu();
cli();
st:
reg = counter;
if (reg < 100) goto loop;
sei();
...
```



simplified code:

```
...
uint16_t reg;

cli();
goto test;
op:
sei();
sleep_cpu();
cli();
st:
reg = counter; /* <-- ! */
if (reg < 100) goto loop;
sei();
...
```

optimized code:

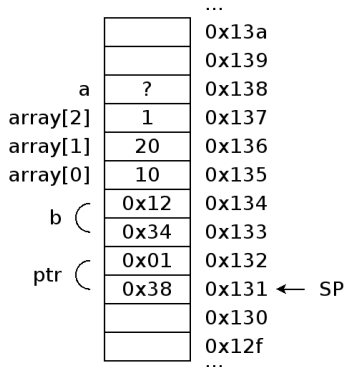
```
...
uint16_t reg;
reg = counter; /* <-- ! */
cli();
goto test;
op:
sei();
sleep_cpu();
cli();
st:

if (reg < 100) goto loop;
sei();
...
```



Dynamic Storage Allocation – Stack

```
int main(void) {  
    uint8_t a;  
    uint8_t array[3] = { 10, 20, 1 };  
    uint16_t b = 0x1234;  
    uint8_t *ptr = &a;  
    ...  
}
```



- **Only if** a system call returns an indication of an error, **then** `errno` is set to a value other than 0. $\Rightarrow$ then `perror/streerror` can be used (*and in no other case!*)

`errno` **not** set:

```
if (argc < 2) {  
    fprintf(stderr, "Usage: ...\n");  
    exit(EXIT_FAILURE);  
}
```

```
if (1024 <= strlen(name)) {  
    fprintf(stderr, "Bad name.\n");  
    exit(EXIT_FAILURE);  
}
```

`errno` **is** set:

```
FILE *fp = fopen(name, "r");  
if (fp == NULL) {  
    perror(name);  
    exit(EXIT_FAILURE);  
}
```

```
int *ptr = malloc(sizeof(int));  
if (ptr == NULL) {  
    perror(name);  
    exit(EXIT_FAILURE);  
}
```



Error Handling

```
static void err(const char *s) {  
    fprintf(stderr, "%s\n", s);  
  
    exit(EXIT_FAILURE);  
}
```

errno not set:

```
if (argc < 2) {  
    err("Usage: ...");  
}
```

```
if (1024 <= strlen(name)) {  
    err("Bad name.");  
}
```

```
static void die(const char *s) {  
    fprintf(stderr, "%s: %s\n",  
            s, strerror(errno));  
    exit(EXIT_FAILURE);  
}
```

errno is set:

```
FILE *fp = fopen(name, "r");  
if (fp == NULL) {  
    die(name);  
}
```

```
int *ptr = malloc(sizeof(int));  
if (ptr == NULL) {  
    die(name);  
}
```



```
int main(void) {  
    printf("Hallo, Welt!\n");  
  
    return 0;  
}
```

or

```
int main(void) {  
    FILE *fp = stdout;  
  
    fprintf(fp, "Hallo, Welt!\n");  
  
    return 0;  
}
```

```
~> ./test  
Hallo, Welt!
```

```
int main(void) {  
    /* Open file. */  
    FILE *fp = fopen("data.txt", "w");  
    if (fp == NULL) { ... }  
  
    /* Write to file. */  
    fprintf(fp, "Hallo, Welt!\n");  
  
    /* Close file. */  
    int ret = fclose(fp);  
    if (ret < 0) { ... }  
  
    return 0;  
}
```

```
~> ./test  
~> cat data.txt  
Hallo, Welt!
```



Directories

```
DIR *dp = opendir("."); /* Open directory. */
if (! dp) { ... }

while (1) {
    /* Read entry. */
    errno = 0;
    struct dirent *de = readdir(dp);
    if (! de && errno) { ... }
    if (! de) {
        break;
    }
    /* Process entry. */
    printf("%s\n", de->d_name);
}

/* Close directory. */
(void) closedir(dp);
```

```
~> ./test
.
..
test
test.c
~>
```



Thank you for taking part in the lecture!
Thank you for the good atmosphere!

Best of Luck!

