

Review

- Dynamic memory allocation
 - Look a-like dynamic 2D array
 - Simulated 2D array
 - How cache memory / cache line works
- Command line arguments
- Pre-processor directives
 - #define
 - #ifdef ... #else ... #endif
 - #ifndef ... #else ... #endif

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Lecture 3

Advanced Programming Topics

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Topics

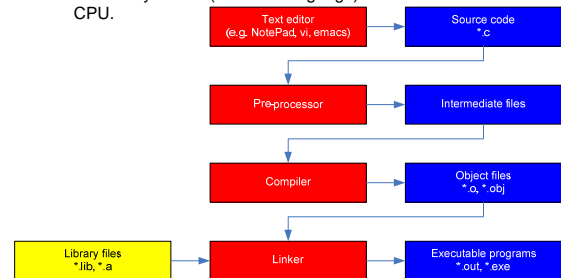
- Defining macros through compilation flags
- External Libraries & Functions
- Makefile
- Source code optimization

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Review: How executable files are generated

- **Compiled**

- Programs written in C language are translated through compiler into binary format (machine language) that is understandable to CPU.



Defining macros through compilation flags

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1. Define DATA type outside the source code

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main() {
    DATA a[100];
    cout << "a occupies " << sizeof(a)
         << " bytes." << endl;
    return 0;
}
```

```
g++ 01.cpp -D DATA=int
g++ 01.cpp -D DATA=double
g++ 01.cpp -D DATA="unsigned char"
```

/home/course/Lecture03/01.cpp

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2. Use with conditional compilation

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;

int main() {
    #ifdef LIMIT
        cout << "The trial version supports 10 integers.";
        int data[10];
    #else
        cout << "The full version supports 200000 integers.";
        int data[200000];
    #endif
    data[0] = 5;
    return 0;
}
```

```
g++ 02.cpp
g++ 02.cpp -DLIMIT
```

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External Functions & Libraries

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/home/course/Lecture03/03.cpp

```
#include "stopWatch.h"
int count=0;
double t=0;
double y, ang=24.0;
stopWatch timer;
do {
    timer.start();
    y=log10(ang);
    timer.stop();
    t += timer.elapsedTime();
    count++;
} while(t<0.1);

std::cout << "\nThis machine can do " << ((double)
count) / t << " log10 operations per second. ";
```

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External Functions & Libraries

- Having a 03.cpp, stopWatch.h, and stopWatch.o
- **Method 1: (N/A)**
 - g++ -Wall 03.cpp stopWatch.cpp -o 03.exe
 - SOURCE CODE NOT PROVIDED!
- **Method 2:**
 - g++ -c stopWatch.cpp
 - g++ -Wall 03.cpp stopWatch.o -o 03.exe
 - Note that the order IS important

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External Functions & Libraries

- **Method 3:**
 - g++ -c stopWatch.cpp
 - ar -q libMylib.a stopWatch.o
Create a statically linked library "libMyLib.a" with stopWatch.o in the library
 - g++ -Wall 03.cpp libMylib.a -o 03.exe
 - g++ -Wall 03.cpp -lMylib -o 03.exe
 - g++ -Wall 03.cpp -lMylib -LmyPath -o 03.exe

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Makefile

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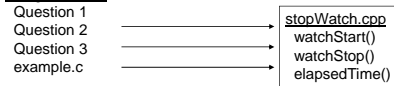
Makefile

- Makefile is a kind of script to describe how to compile a program or a series of related programs
- Nowadays make is mostly GNU Make
 - <http://www.gnu.org/software/make/make.html>
 - Make is a tool which controls the generation of executables and other non-source files of a program from the program's source files.
- Command 'make' in UNIX/Linux first searches the current directory for makefile or Makefile to generate your code
 - You may specify alternative makefiles by using 'make -f mymakefile'

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Scenario

Assignment #2



```
g++ q2.cpp stopWatch.c -o q2.exe
g++ q3.cpp stopWatch.c -o q3.exe
g++ example.cpp stopWatch.c -o example.exe
```

```
g++ stopWatch.c
g++ q2.cpp stopWatch.o -o q2.exe
g++ q3.cpp stopWatch.o -o q3.exe
g++ example.cpp stopWatch.o -o example.exe
```

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Example

```
g++ stopWatch.c
g++ q2.cpp stopWatch.o -o q2.exe
g++ q3.cpp stopWatch.o -o q3.exe
g++ example.cpp stopWatch.o -o example.exe
```

Target: source file(s)
command (must be preceded by a tab)

```
all: q2.exe q3.exe example.exe

q2.exe: q2.cpp stopWatch.o
[TAB] g++ q2.cpp stopWatch.o -o q2.exe

q3.exe: q3.cpp stopWatch.o
[TAB] g++ q3.cpp stopWatch.o -o q3.exe

example.exe: example.cpp stopWatch.c
[TAB] g++ example.cpp stopWatch.o -o example.exe

stopWatch.o: stopWatch.c
[TAB] g++ -c stopWatch.c
```

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Example

```
# Define compiler & flags
CC=g++
CFLAGS=-Wall -O2

# Define projects to be built
all: q2.exe q3.exe example.exe

# Defines rules for compiling the project
q2.exe: q2.cpp stopWatch.o
$(CC) $(CFLAGS) q2.cpp stopWatch.o -o q2.exe

q3.exe: q3.cpp stopWatch.o
$(CC) $(CFLAGS) q3.cpp stopWatch.o -o q3.exe

example.exe: example.cpp stopWatch.o
$(CC) $(CFLAGS) example.cpp stopWatch.o -o example.exe

stopWatch.o: stopWatch.c
$(CC) $(CFLAGS) -c stopWatch.c
```

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Example - Macros

```
# Define compiler & flags
CC=g++
CFLAGS=-Wall -O2

OBJJS=stopWatch.o
all: q2.exe q3.exe example.exe

# Defines rules for compiling the project
q2.exe: q2.cpp $(OBJJS)
$(CC) $(CFLAGS) q2.cpp $(OBJJS) -o q2.exe

q3.exe: q3.cpp $(OBJJS)
$(CC) $(CFLAGS) q3.cpp $(OBJJS) -o q3.exe

example.exe: example.c $(OBJJS)
$(CC) $(CFLAGS) example.cpp $(OBJJS) -o example.exe

stopWatch.o: stopWatch.c
$(CC) $(CFLAGS) -c stopWatch.c
```

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Special macros

- CC**: Contains the current C compiler. Defaults to cc.
- CFLAGS**: Special options which are added to the built-in C rule.
- \$@**: Full name of the current target.
- \$?** : A list of files for current dependency which are out-of-date.
- \$<** : The source file of the current (single) dependency.

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Example – Special macros

```
# Define compiler & flags
CC=g++
CFLAGS=-Wall -O2

OBJS=stopWatch.o
all: q2.exe q3.exe example.exe

# Defines rules for compiling the project
q2.exe: q2.cpp $(OBJS)
$(CC) $(CFLAGS) $< $(OBJS) -o $@

q3.exe: q3.cpp $(OBJS)
$(CC) $(CFLAGS) $< $(OBJS) -o $@

example.exe: example.cpp $(OBJS)
$(CC) $(CFLAGS) $< $(OBJS) -o $@

stopWatch.o: stopWatch.c
$(CC) $(CFLAGS) -c $<
```

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Example – Implicit Rules

```
# Define compiler & flags
CC=g++
CFLAGS=-Wall -O2

OBJS=stopWatch.o
all: q2.exe q3.exe example.exe

%.exe: %.cpp $(OBJS)
$(CC) $(CFLAGS) $< $(OBJS) -o $@

%.o: %.c
$(CC) $(CFLAGS) -c $<
```

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Source Code Optimization

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Data Type Consideration

- Integer
 - unsigned:
 - Division and remainders
 - Loop counters
 - Array indexing
 - signed:
 - Integer to float conversion
- In function prototypes
 - Use const as much as possible
 - By the way, what is a constant pointer ?

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Constant pointer

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
```

```
int main() {
    const int *a;
    int p[] = {1, 2, 3};
    int q[] = {4, 5, 6};
    int i;

    a = p;
    for(i=0; i<3; i++) {
        cout << a[i];
        a[i] = 0;
    }
}
```

```
a = q;
for(i=0; i<3; i++) {
    cout << a[i];
    a[i] = 0;
}
return 0;
}
```

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Which line above will cause a compilation error?

Array Access and Loop Optimization

- Loop jamming / Loop fusion
- Loop fission / Loop distribution
- Move invariants out of loops
 - Loop un-switching
- Loop peeling
- Loop interchange
- Loop unrolling
- Loop unrolling and sum reduction

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Loop Jamming / Loop Fusion

```
for(i=0;i<N;i++) {
    b[i] += 1;
}
for(i=0;i<N;i++) {
    y += b[i];
}
```

```
for(i=0;i<N;i++) {
    b[i] += 1;
    y += b[i];
}
```

Pentium D930, icpc -O2, N=1000000
Separated: 0.133132 secs.
Fused: 0.116919 secs.

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Loop Fission / Loop Distribution

```
for(i=0;i<N;i++) {
    x += b[i];
    y += c[i];
}
```

```
for(i=0;i<N;i++)
    x += b[i];
for(i=0;i<N;i++)
    y += c[i];
```

Pentium D930, icpc -O2, N=1000000
Fused: 1.3226511 secs.
Separated: 0.00791911 secs.

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Move invariants out of loops If() - Loop unswitching

```
for(i=0;i<N;i++) {
    for(j=0;j<N;j++) {
        if(a[i] > 100.0) b[i] = a[i] - 3.7;
        x = x + a[j] + b[i];
    }
}
```

```
for(i=0;i<N;i++) {
    if(a[i] > 100.0) b[i] = a[i] - 3.7;
    for(j=0;j<N;j++) {
        x = x + a[j] + b[i];
    }
}
```

Pentium D930, icpc -O2, N=10000
Inside: 0.256424 secs.
Outside: 0.203336 secs.

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Move invariants out of loops If() - Loop unswitching

```
for(i=0;i<N;i++) {
    x[i] = x[i] + y[i];
    if(w) z[i]=0.0;
}
```

```
if(w) {
    for(i=0;i<N;i++) {
        x[i] = x[i] + y[i];
        z[i]=0.0;
    }
}
else {
    for(i=0;i<N;i++) {
        x[i] = x[i] + y[i];
    }
}
```

Pentium D930, icpc -O2, N=1000000
Before: 0.022519 secs.
After : 0.021649 secs.

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Move invariants out of loops Math operations

```
for(i=0;i<N;i++) {
    a[i] = 0.0;
    for(j=0;j<N;j++) {
        a[i] += b[j] * d[j] * c[i];
    }
}
```

```
for(i=0;i<N;i++) {
    a[i] = 0.0;
    for(j=0;j<N;j++) {
        a[i] += b[j] * d[j];
    }
    a[i] *= c[i];
}
```

Pentium D930, icpc -O2, N=10000
Inside: 0.274137 secs.
Outside: 0.200256 secs.

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Loop Peeling

```
j = N-1;
for(i=0;i<N;i++) {
    b[i] = (a[i] + a[j]) * 0.5;
    j = i;
}
```

```
b[0] = (a[0] + a[N-1]) * 0.5;
for(i=1;i<N;i++) {
    b[i] = (a[i] + a[i-1]) * 0.5;
}
```

Pentium D930, icpc -O2, N=1000000
Before: 0.011461 secs.
After : 0.011407 secs.

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Loop Interchange Stride minimization

```
for(i=0;i<N;i++) {
  for(j=0;j<N;j++) {
    c[i][j] += a[i][j] + b[i][j];
  }
}
```

```
for(j=0;j<N;j++) {
  for(i=0;i<N;i++) {
    c[i][j] += a[i][j] + b[i][j];
  }
}
```

Pentium D930, icpc -O2, N=300
Stride 1: 0.001437 secs.
Stride N: 0.002837 secs.

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Loop Interchange Exercise

```
for(i=0;i<NUM;i++)
  for(j=0;j<NUM;j++)
    for(k=0;k<NUM;k++)
      c[i][j] =c[i][j] + a[i][k] * b[k][j];
```



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Loop Unrolling

```
for(i=0;i<N;i++)
  for(j=0;j<N;j++)
    for(k=0;k<4;k++)
      a[i][j] += b[k][i] * c[k][j];
```

```
for(i=0;i<N;i++) {
  for(j=0;j<N;j++) {
    a[i][j] += b[0][i] * c[0][j];
    a[i][j] += b[1][i] * c[1][j];
    a[i][j] += b[2][i] * c[2][j];
    a[i][j] += b[3][i] * c[3][j];
  }
}
```

Pentium D930, icpc -O2 -unroll0, N=2000
Before: 2.07285 secs.
After : 0.069612 secs.

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Loop Unrolling and Sum Reduction

```
for(i=0;i<N;i++)
  for(j=0;j<N;j++)
    for(k=0;k<4;k++)
      a += b[k][i] * c[k][j];
```

```
for(i=0;i<N;i++) {
  for(j=0;j<N;j++) {
    a += b[0][i] * c[0][j];
    a += b[1][i] * c[1][j];
    a += b[2][i] * c[2][j];
    a += b[3][i] * c[3][j];
  }
}
```

Pentium D930, icpc -O2 -unroll0, N=2000
Before: 1.99077 secs.
After : 0.039288 secs.

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Loop Unrolling and Sum Reduction

```
for(i=0;i<N;i++) {
  for(j=0;j<N;j++) {
    a1 += b[0][i] * c[0][j];
    a2 += b[1][i] * c[1][j];
    a3 += b[2][i] * c[2][j];
    a4 += b[3][i] * c[3][j];
  }
}
a = a1 + a2 + a3 + a4;
```

Pentium D930, icpc -O2 -unroll0, N=2000
Before: 1.99077 secs.
After : 0.039288 secs.
Further: 0.029734 secs.

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Write Efficient Code

- Contiguous memory access helps to improve code efficiency. (why?)
- Loop unrolling & SIMD instructions (e.g. MMX, SSE, 3DNOW, ...) can be used to help vector operations.
- Modern compilers (gcc, Intel compiler) can do loop unrolling automatically for you.
 - `icc -O2 -unroll -axP yourcode.cpp`
 - `gcc -O2 -funroll-loops -march=p4 -msse3 yourcode.cpp`
- Compiler flags (red text above) can make a huge difference in terms of both computational efficiency and sometimes results.
- Use assembly language to gain ultimate control on the instruction flow to processors.

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Matrix operations

- For operations involve matrices, each element may be referenced more than once, thus provides better chance for optimizing memory access pattern (reuse the data that is already in cache memory)
- Even if elements (either vector or matrix) are referenced only once, how the memory is accessed still dictates the performance.
 - We must pay attention to the 2-D data layout in memory.
- As modern computers has blocking memory access (lecture one, cache-line: one memory request returns a block of memory), we need to work on adjacent entries first.

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