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Announcements

1. Final study guide, sample final exam, and recursion questions are posted
2. Answers to sample final are on Canvas but *not* on the nob web site
3. Extra office hours: Tu 11:00am-11:50am, Th 1:10pm–2:00pm
4. Wednesday office hour shifted to 4:10pm–5:00pm

Oops . . .

Remember *qsort*? Here is its call:

```
qsort(base, nelts, sizeof(double),  
      (int (*)(const void *, const void *)) cmp);
```

I used this for *cmp*:

```
int cmp(const void *x, const void *y) {  
    double *px, *py;  
    px = (double *)x;  
    py = (double *)y;  
    return(*px - *py);  
}
```

What is wrong with this?

Oops . . .

It's the $*px - *py$ — if it returns something less than 1.0, the function returns 0 (equal), even if there is a difference of (say) 0.5 or -0.5

```
int cmp(const void *x, const void *y) {  
    double *px, *py;  
    px = (double *)x;  
    py = (double *)y;  
    if (*px > *py) return(1);  
    else if (*px < *py) return(-1);  
    return(0);  
}
```

The lines in red replace the return in the earlier version

Last C Operator

- Abbreviated “if”

$$x = a ? b : c$$

- If a evaluates to non-zero, b is evaluated and assigned to x
 - c is ignored
- If a evaluates to zero, c is evaluated and assigned to x
 - b is ignored

Examples

```
a = 0;
```

```
b = 1;
```

```
c = 2;
```

```
x = a ? b++ : c--;
```

As $a = 0$, $c--$ is evaluated, so $x = 2$ and $c = 1$

```
a = 3;
```

```
b = 1;
```

```
c = 2;
```

```
x = a ? b++ : c--;
```

As $a \neq 0$, $b++$ is evaluated, so $x = 1$ and $b = 2$

C Preprocessor

- A program that is run as part of the C compiler, *before* anything is actually compiled
- It does textual substitution only
 - It doesn't know C (or any other language for that matter)

C Preprocessor

- All lines begin with #
- `#define`
- `#undef`
- `#include`
- `#if`, `#ifdef`, `#ifndef`
- `#elif`
- `#else`

Example

- Suppose you will use the value of π repeatedly. Define `PI` :

```
#define PI 3.14159265
```

- Now this line

```
diameter = radius * PI;
```

- becomes this line

```
diameter = radius * 3.14159265;
```

Example

- Now suppose you will use 0 in two ways: as an end of string and as a NULL pointer

```
#define EOS 0
```

```
#define NULL ((void *) 0)
```

- Now these lines

```
*x = EOS; p = NULL;
```

- becomes these lines

```
*x = 0; p = ((void *) 0);
```

#define

```
#define BOARD 8*8
```

- Replace every occurrence of the word “BOARD” with “8*8”
- Usually used to parameterize something; examples from stdio.h:
 - NULL is a macro (0)
 - EOF is a macro (-1)
- *Warning: this is textual substitution, so do not treat them as variables!*

Watch Out For This

- Goal: create a chessboard, each side being 8 squares, and 2 extra squares for computation, for a total of 100 squares

```
#define SIDE 8+2
```

- Now every occurrence of `SIDE` is replaced by `8+2`

```
char chess[SIDE*SIDE];
```

becomes

```
char chess[8+2*8+2];
```

So the board has 26 squares

Do This

- Goal: create a chessboard, each side being 8 squares, and 2 extra squares for computation, for a total of 100 squares

```
#define SIDE (8+2)
```

Now every occurrence of `SIDE` is replaced by `(8+2)`

```
char chess[SIDE*SIDE];
```

becomes

```
char chess[(8+2)*(8+2)];
```

So the board has 100 squares

General Rule

- In the definition part of the macro, parenthesize the macro
- Without parentheses

```
#define SIZE 8+2
```

- $SIZE * SIZE = 8 + 2 * 8 + 2 = 8 + 16 + 8 = 32$

- With parentheses

```
#define SIZE (8+2)
```

- $SIZE * SIZE = (8 + 2) * (8 + 2) = 10 * 10 = 100$

Parameterized Macro

```
#define isbetween0and9 (x)    ( (0<= (x) ) && ( (x) <=9) )
```

- `isbetween0and9 (4)` returns **1** and `isbetween0and9 (-100)` returns **0**

- **Beware** — whatever is put for `x` is evaluated every time `x` occurs in the macro definition

```
x = 9; . . . isbetween0and9 (x++)
```

becomes

```
x = 9; . . . ( (0<= (x++) ) && ( (x++) <=9) )
```

or

```
x = 9; . . . ( (0<= (9) ) && ( (10) <=9) )
```

which returns false (as $10 > 9$)

#undef

- Delete a macro definition

```
#define XYZZY    "dizzy"
```

```
. . .
```

```
#undef XYZZY
```

```
int XYZZY = -20;
```

- Without the #undef, the declaration becomes:

```
int "dizzy" = -20;
```

which gives an error

#include

- Interpolate file into current source code
- When it does this, it preserves the line numbers of the original files by using these:

```
# 9 "macros.c"
```

Next line is treated as line 9 by the compiler and debuggers

- The preprocessor inserts these lines; *you do not*

#include <*file*>

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- Look for *file* in predetermined, system locations
 - Usually /usr/include, /usr/lib/include, and others
 - The “<” “>” are what tells the C preprocessor to do this

#include “*file*”

- Look for *file* in the current working directory first
 - The quotation marks are what tells the C preprocessor to do this

-I *dir*

- Add *dir* to the list of directories to be searched
 - Look in system directories *first*, then named directories

```
#if...#elif...#else...#endif
```

- Conditional compilation

```
#if XYZZY == 1
```

```
x = 1;
```

```
#elif XYZZY == 2
```

```
x = 2;
```

```
#else
```

```
x = 0;
```

```
#endif
```

#if...#elif...#else...#endif

- If XYZZY is a macro
 - defined as 1, x will be 1
 - defined as 2, x will be 2
 - defined as anything else, or undefined, x will be 1

```
#if XYZZY == 1
x = 1;
#elif XYZZY == 2
x = 2;
#else
x = 0;
#endif
```

`#ifdef, #ifndef`

`#ifdef XYZZY`

`. . . compiled if XYZZY is defined (as anything)`

`#endif`

`#ifndef ABCDE`

`. . . compiled unless ABCDE is defined (as anything)`

`#endif`

Some Idioms

```
#ifndef notdef
```

```
. . .
```

```
#endif
```

- This comments out all code between the `ifndef` and `endif`
 - Quick way to remove code temporarily

```
#if 0
```

```
. . .
```

```
#endif
```

- This does the same thing

For Debugging

Define a debug macro like:

```
#define DEBUG
```

Then use `ifdefs` to surround debugging code

To eliminate it, just comment out the define line

Alternate Approach

Omit this line

```
#define DEBUG
```

and use the compiler command-line option `-DDEBUG`

This defines the macro `DEBUG` (set to `1`)

#error

- Used to print error messages; usually to indicate that compilation will fail for some reason related to the compiler or system
- Example:

```
#ifndef unix
#error "This will only run on a UNIX system"
#endif
```