

# Lecture 02

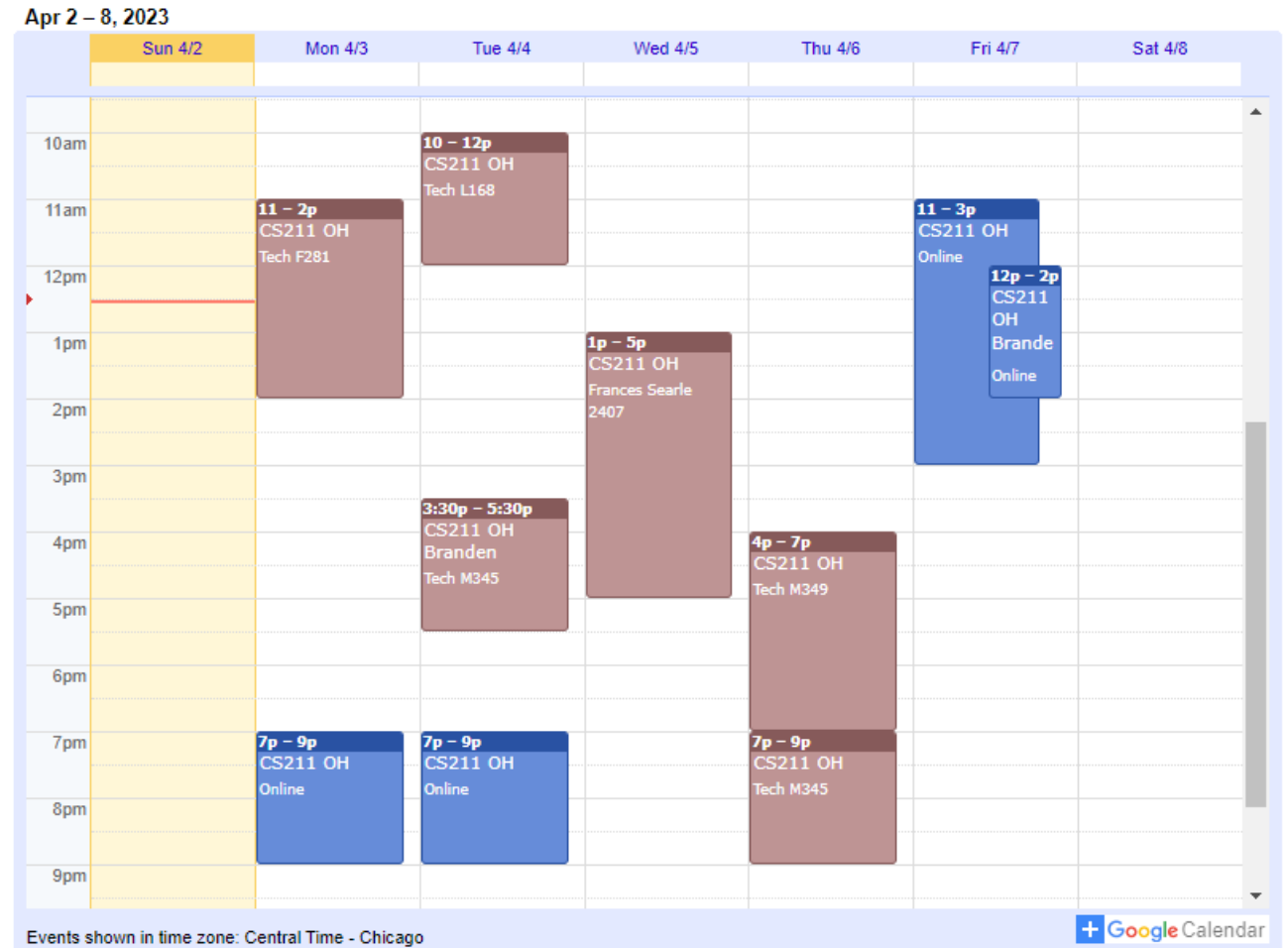
# Unix Shell & C Compilation

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# Administrivia

- Office hours have started!
  - Check Canvas homepage for calendar
  - I have office hours right after class today!
- Everyone should have Piazza access
  - Email me ASAP if you don't



# Assignments

- EX1 due today (88%+ of you are done)
  - Need to buy the textbook unfortunately
  - Remember: no late submission for exercises
- EX2 due Thursday (32%+ completed)
  - A little deeper into C programming: Branches and Loops
- Lab1 due Thursday (31%+ completed)
  - SSH access to lab servers for C programming
  - Using Linux command line
  - Submitted to Gradescope

# Today's Goals

- Introduction to working in Unix shell (command line)
- Understand the C compilation process
- Continue exploring C programming
  - Iteration
  - Input and Output

# Getting the examples from lecture

- First, make your own cs211 directory to store class stuff in
  - `cd ~/`
  - `mkdir cs211`
- The files for this class are in a zipped tarball (just like a zip file)
  - We can extract them right into your cs211/ directory
    - `cd ~/cs211/`
    - `tar -xvkf ~/cs211/lec/02_shell_compilation.tgz`
    - `cd 02_shell_compilation`
  - What does that command do?: [https://explainshell.com/explain?cmd=tar+-xvkf+%7Ecs211%2Flec%2F02\\_shell\\_compilation.tgz](https://explainshell.com/explain?cmd=tar+-xvkf+%7Ecs211%2Flec%2F02_shell_compilation.tgz)

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# How do you get a Unix shell?

- Have a MacOS or Linux computer
  - Or set up Windows Subsystem for Linux (WSL) on Windows
- Install Virtualbox and Linux
  - Installing Ubuntu is free and only takes twenty minutes
- Log in to a class server remotely!
  - This is what we'll do for CS211
  - Lab01 teaches you how to do this

# Command line interfaces

- Text-based commands
- Positives
  - It's easy to be precisely clear about what you want and how things are configured
- Negatives
  - How do you remember everything?
- Reality
  - There will be a few dozen commands you'll memorize (after practice)
  - And you'll learn how to look up everything else



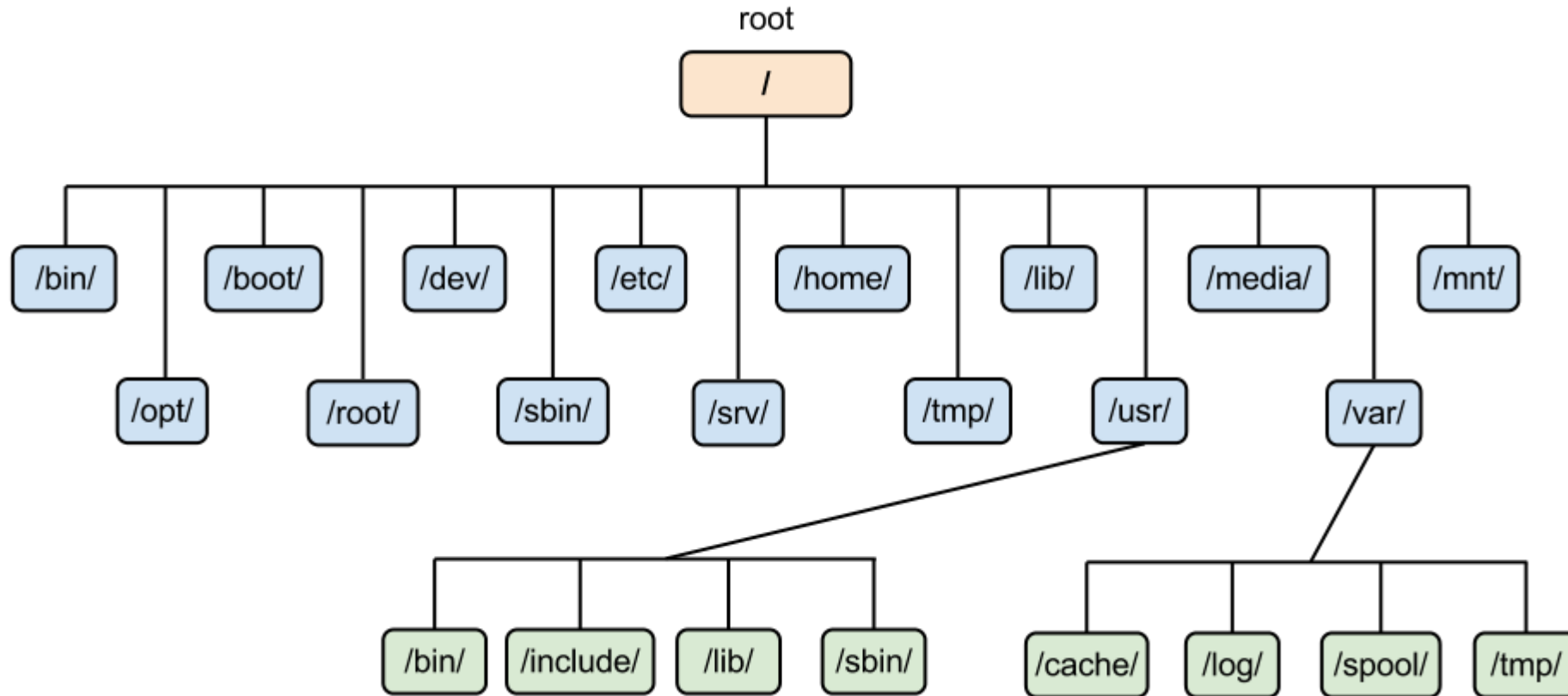
# Commands for moving between directories

- Directory structure and moving through it
  - `ls`
    - Lists files in the current directory
  - `cd`
    - Change directory
  - `pwd`
    - Prints the path of the current directory
- Mis-typing something
  - “Command not found” means you tried to run something invalid
  - `fish: somecommandyoumistyped: command not found...`

# Live command-line demo!!!

- To do:
  - Log in
  - Move around with commands
  - Fail at some command
  - Tab completion
  - Get files from lecture!

# Directory structure in Linux



- Example: `/usr/bin/` is the path to user-installed programs

# Special paths

- `.` the current directory
- `..` the parent of the current directory
- `../..` the parent of the parent of the current directory
- `../..../..` and so on...
  
- `-` the previous directory you were in before the current one
  
- `~/` the home directory of the current user (your home)
- `~cs211` the home directory of the user `cs211`  
(works for any user, but you'll probably won't interact with other users)
  
- `/` the root directory (analogous to `C:\` on windows)

# Relative vs absolute paths

- Relative paths are relative to the current directory
  - `../`
  - `src/`
  - `../../code/src/../build/`
- Absolute paths have the full path name to the location
  - `/home/branden/`
  - `/home/branden/cs213/code/`
  - `/home/branden/cs213/code/src/../build/`

# Wildcard in path names

- Sometimes you're not sure exactly what the name is
  - Or there might be multiple files that you want to interact with simultaneously
- The wildcard symbol, `*`, replaces any number of characters in a path name
- Examples
  - `ls /home/*/` List all files in all user's home directories
  - `ls ~/cs21*/` List all files in any directory starting with cs21
  - `ls code/src/*.c` List all files that end with ".c" in code/src/

# Tab Completion

- Typing takes toooooooo looooooonnnnggg
  - Solution, let the computer guess what you're trying to type
- Pressing tab while part-way through typing just about anything in terminal will tab-complete it for you
  - As long as you have typed enough characters so that only one option remains, it will complete it
  - If multiple options remain, it will stop trying
- Also, up-arrow gets you the previously typed command
  - And you can edit that, if that's faster

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# Working with files

- `cat path`
  - Prints out the contents of the file
- `mv path1 path2`
  - Moves a file from path1 to path2
- `cp path1 path2`
  - Copies a file from path1 to path2
- `rm path`
  - Deletes (removes) a file

# Editing files

- There are many different terminal text editors
  - And there are holy wars about why one is *best*
  - **There is no best. Just use whatever you like**
- Example editors
  - Vim, Emacs, Nano
- In CS211, I'll be teaching you using the Micro text editor
  - Occasionally I'll open vim by accident. Someone yell at me when I do
  - <https://micro-editor.github.io/>

# Editing with Micro

- micro filename
  - Opens micro, editing filename
- Works just like any text editor you've used
  - Mouse moves the cursor around, as do the arrow keys
  - Typing makes text appear
    - (This isn't true in some shell editors, looking at you vim)
- Ctrl-s    save the file
- Ctrl-o    open a file
- Ctrl-q    quit

# Live command-line demo 2!!

- To do:
  - Make directories
  - Edit a file
  - Move a file
  - Use a command with flags

# Cancelling a command

- Ctrl-C stops *most* things from running
  - Ctrl key and C key both at once
- If you have C code that's stuck in an infinite loop, Ctrl-C will stop it
- Note: this means Ctrl-C isn't usually copy
  - Except it does work as copy in Micro!  
(but that means it won't stop Micro from running)

# Command flags

- `man`
  - Opens the manual pages for a program
  - Example: `man ls`
- Flags are configurations for a command that change what it does
  - `ls -l` lists files in the current directory in a vertical list with details
  - `ls -t` sorts the ls output by most recently modified
  - `ls -l -t` does both
- You can type multiple flags after a single dash
  - `ls -lt` is equivalent to `ls -l -t` is equivalent to `ls -t1`

# Searching for things

- `grep -r "text" *`
  - Explanation
    - Grep prints lines matching a pattern
    - The pattern in this case is "text"
    - `-r` means search recursively, i.e. in this directory and all subdirectories
    - `*` means to search in any file in the current directory
  - Summary
    - Search all the files here and below for the word "text"

# Don't be overwhelmed!!!!

- You have plenty of time to learn this
- Lab01 guides you through the same kinds of commands I did today, step by step
- Practice is the only thing that will really help
  - And CS211 will give you plenty of practice



# Helpful guides

- Great lecture notes on using the shell
  - <https://swcarpentry.github.io/shell-novice/>
- Tool to explain various shell command syntax
  - <https://explainshell.com/>
- Tool to explain how to use various shell commands
  - Just type the command into the box at the top
  - <https://tldr.oostera.io/>

# Shell command: sudo

- Superuser do
  - Executes a command with special administrator privilege (superuser)
  - Necessary for installing new programs and modifying the OS
- Run it before a command to execute that command as a superuser
  - Example: `sudo rm -rf /` (don't run this!)
- You can only use `sudo` on computers where you are an admin
  - Only use with caution and care. It can destroy your computer
  - You'll never need it for class stuff
  - You are NOT an admin on the class servers! (neither am I)
  - You might see it in stack overflow answers (won't solve 211 problems though)

# sudo example

```
branden@moore:~% sudo echo "Sorry Pred, I'm testing this for CS211."
```

```
We trust you have received the usual lecture from the local System Administrator. It usually boils down to these three things:
```

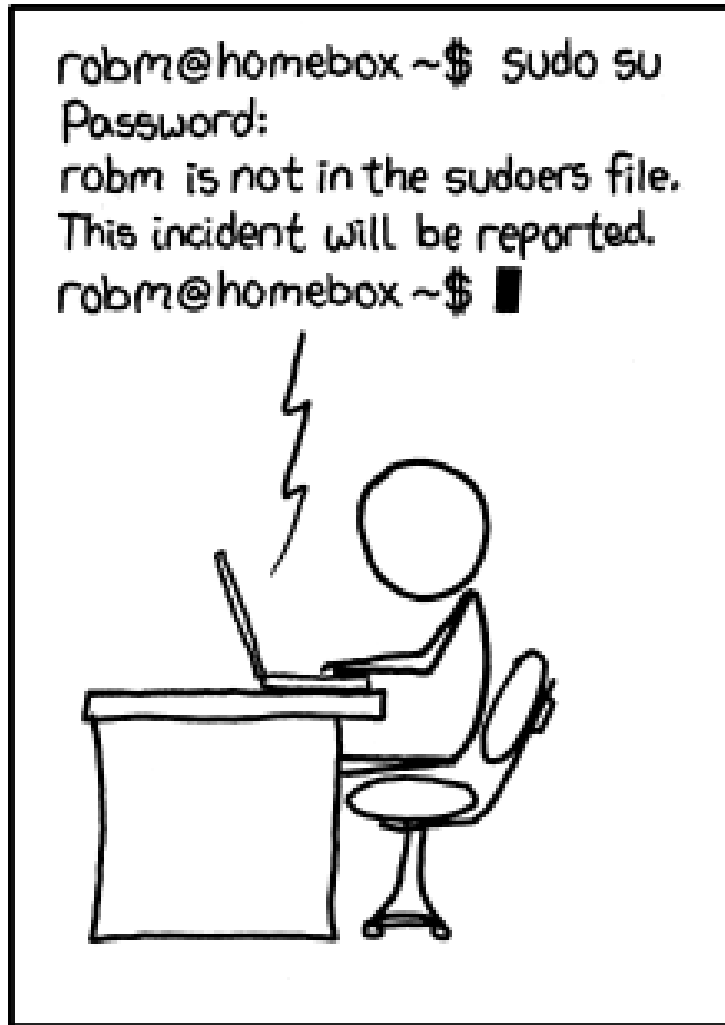
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- #3) With great power comes great responsibility.

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branden is not in the sudoers file. This incident will be reported.  
branden@moore:~ [1]%
```

# Break + relevant xkcd

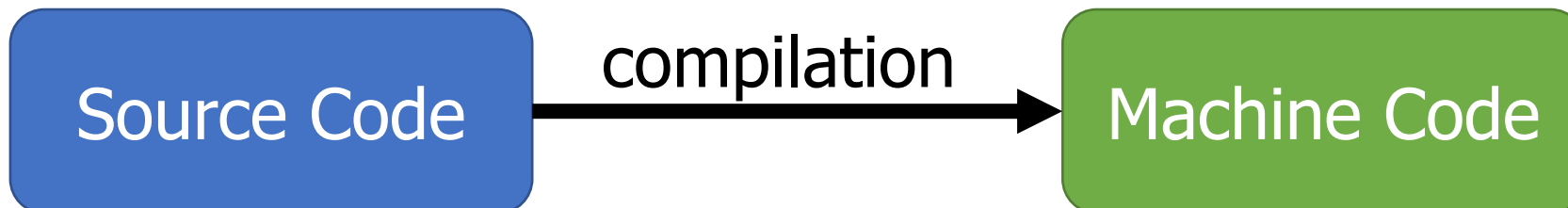


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# How do you “run” C code?

- First, the C code needs to be translated
  - From human-readable source code
  - To machine code capable of being executed on a particular machine (definitely not human readable)
- This translation process is called “compiling”
  - The tool that does it is a “compiler”



# What does machine code look like?

- Just a bunch of numbers
  - Your text editor would interpret those numbers as random characters

```
[brghena@ubuntu 02_typedimp] [master *$] $ cat hello
@%$@@@
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```

- The computer processor reads the numbers to figure out which instruction to run
  - This is a version of assembly code
  - See CS213 for *way* more details



# Compiling a C program

- The compiler we'll use is referred to as `cc`
    - Short for C Compiler
    - It takes in C source code and outputs *executable* machine code
  - `cc hello.c`
  - `ls`  
`a.out hello.c`
  - `./a.out`  
`Hello, CS 211!`
- Don't memorize this. You won't be running `cc` manually.

# Compiling a C program

- a.out is the default name, but we probably want to use something more memorable
- The `-o` flag specifies the output filename for the compiler

- `cc -o hello hello.c`

- `ls`  
`hello hello.c`

- `./hello`  
`Hello, CS 211!`

Don't memorize this. You won't be running `cc` manually.

# Remember to compile!

- You need to re-compile code every time the source code changes
- You **WILL** forget to do this at some point
  - And you'll run the program but it'll do the old behavior rather than the new things you've written
- Compile often!
  - Keep multiple windows open to make this easier
  - I write a handful of lines of C code, then compile again
    - Way easier to find one or two mistakes now than deal with MANY later

# **IMPORTANT:** compile often!

- Important enough that I'll repeat it
- Keep multiple terminals open
  - One for editing and one for compiling
- Compile every few lines of C code you write
  - Maybe every time you finish a function
- Compilation points out errors in your code for you!
  - But it can get overwhelming if you don't run it until the end

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# Real-world projects have multiple files

- You can write code in any number of different C files
  - And combine them together while compiling
- But we need some way to tell C code in one file about the existence of C code in another file
  - Solution: header files (.h)
  - Header files list all the publicly available functions and variables from a C file
    - Usually, there is a .c and .h file for various libraries
  - Header files are `#include`-ed at the top of your C file

# Compiling multiple C files

- Each C file is compiled separately
- Then combine multiple together into a single program
  
- Compilers have a middle step: object files (.o)
  - Still not human readable
  - Meant to be joined together into a single executable
  
- Object files don't have to be recompiled if their source file hasn't changed
  - This speeds up compilation for large projects!

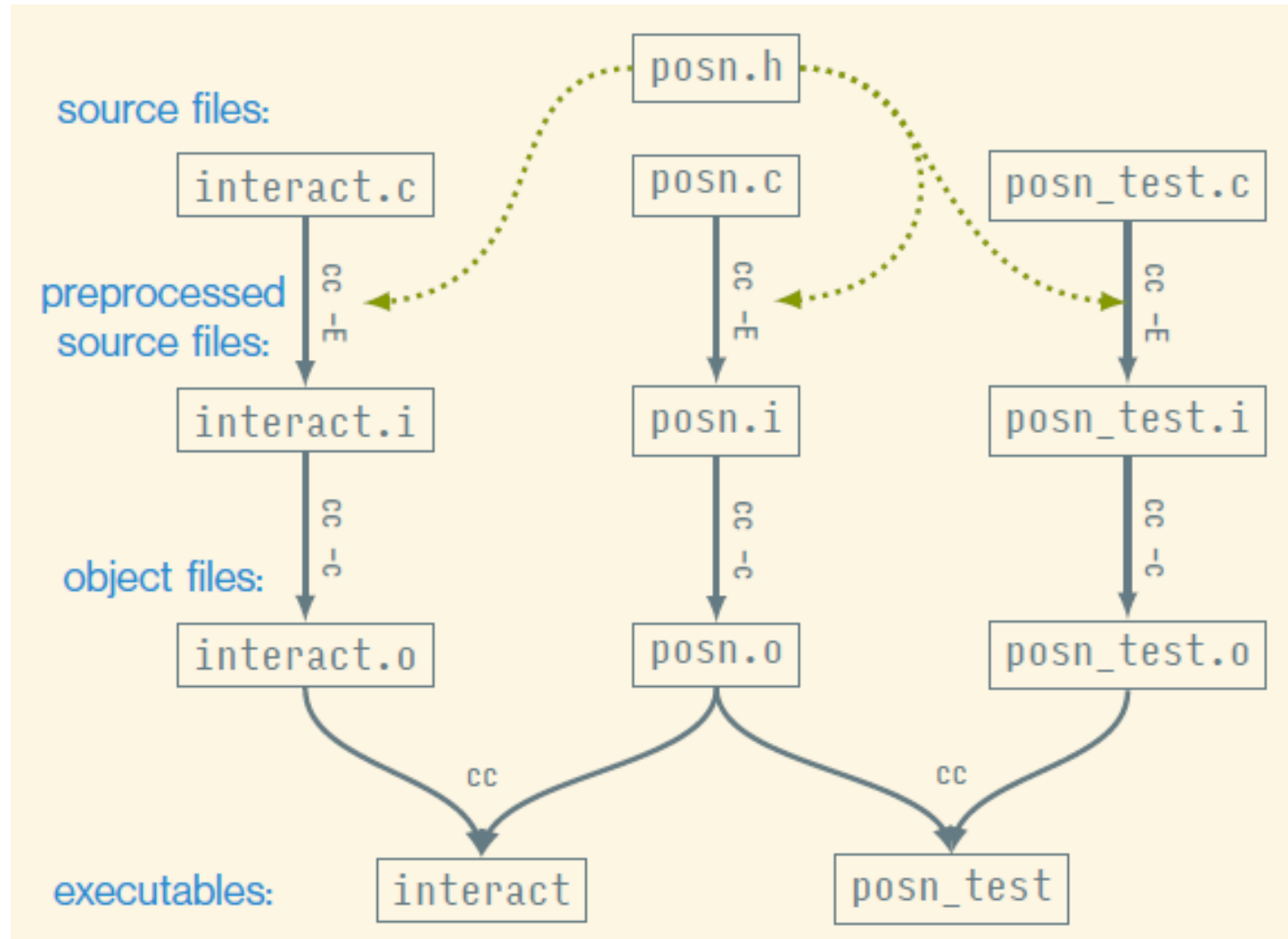
# General C project layout

- `src/`
  - Various code that actually runs your project
- `test/`
  - Various code that tests your files in `src/`
- We separate code in `src/` into two categories
  - The executable, which has a `main()` function and not much else
    - Named whatever your executable is, but with a `.c`
    - Example: `interact.c`
  - Libraries which have both `.c` and `.h` files
    - Example: `posn.c` and `posn.h`



# Example of multiple compilation

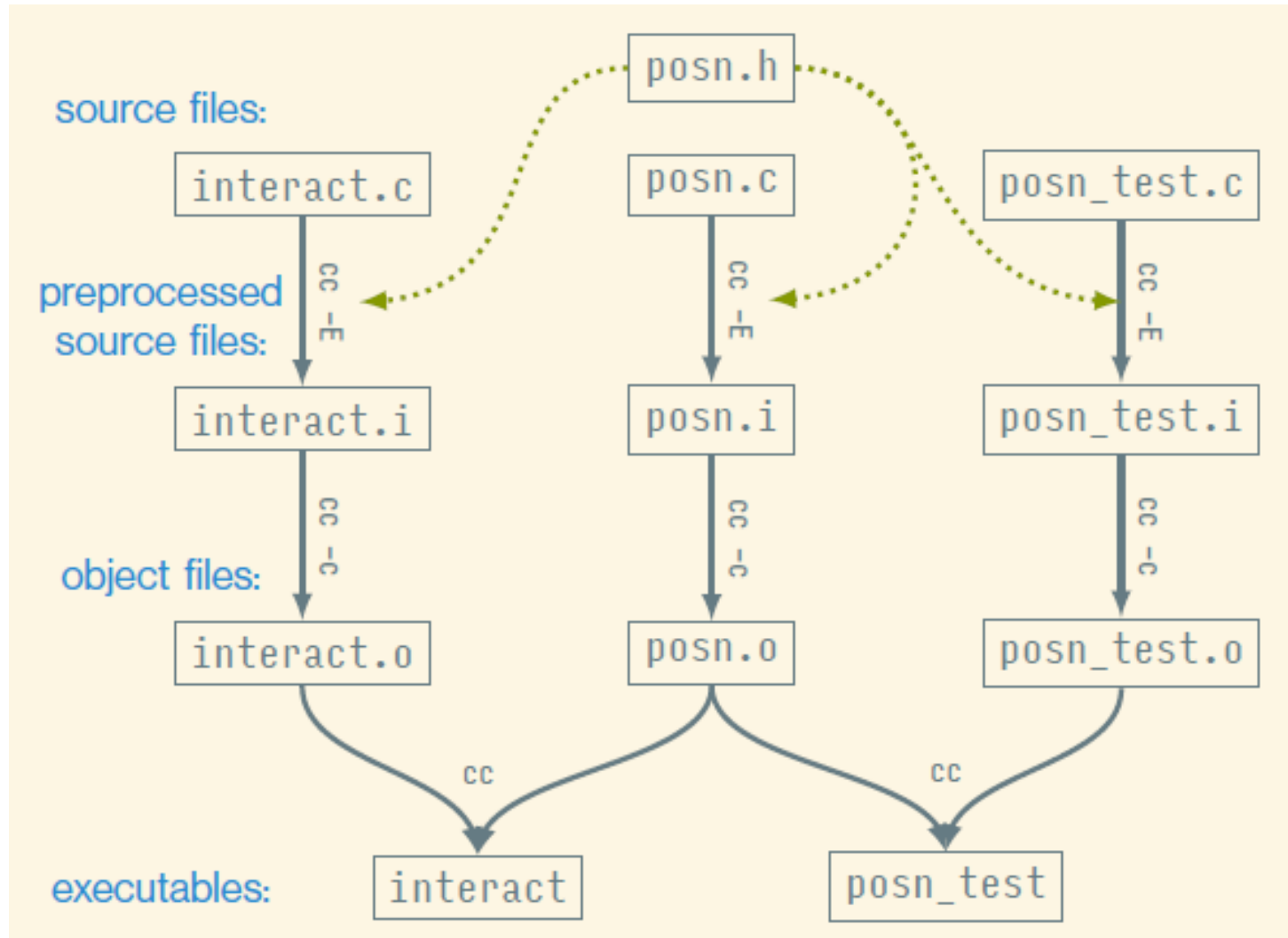
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# New problem, how do you remember all these steps?



And this doesn't even include various flags we give to the compiler, such as the location of the 211.h library

# Simplifying multiple compilation with Make

- Make is a tool for building programs out of multiple source files
  - Allows you to specify goals and requirements as “rules”
  - And then runs the compiler to fulfill those
- To build a file named `<goal>` using make, you run:  
`make <goal>`
- `Make` looks around the current directory for a file named `Makefile` which specifies the various rules
  - We’ll provide the `Makefile` for you in this class
  - But you’ll have to use `make` to compile your programs

# What does a `make` rule look like?

- A rule has a goal and pre-requisites for the goal
  - And then specifies commands to create the goal given the pre-requisites

```
⟨goal⟩: ⟨prereqs⟩. . .  
    ⟨commands⟩  
    . . .
```

- **Example:**

```
hello: hello.c  
    cc -o hello hello.c
```

# Always use Make, rather than calling the compiler yourself

- Make is our tool for compiling programs
  - It has rules for how to build the programs using the compiler
- You *could* compile your programs manually
  - But you would need to know the proper flags for the compiler to do so
  - Some programs rely on class-specific libraries for testing and memory management
- This is a big pain, so just you `make` instead
  - And if you're curious, you can look at the Makefile to see what the flags we're providing are

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# C pre-processor

- Reads in the text of your source code
- Does some initial text-based manipulations to the code
  - Prepares everything for the compiler



# C reads files from the top down

- First important thing to know about the pre-processor/compiler
  - They read from the top of the file down
  - Functions that don't exist when you try to call them are an error
- How would we write this code then?

```
void a(void) {  
    b();  
}
```

```
void b(void) {  
    a();  
}
```

# Function declaration

- You can inform the compiler about functions that will later be defined
  - You are telling the C compiler: “here’s what this other function looks like, you’ll get details about how it works later”
  - Very useful for libraries that you are using
- A function **declaration** in C includes the return type, name, and argument types
  - Examples:

```
void a(int, float);  
struct posn read_posn(void);
```
- A function **definition** in C also includes the body of the function

# Header files are collections of declarations

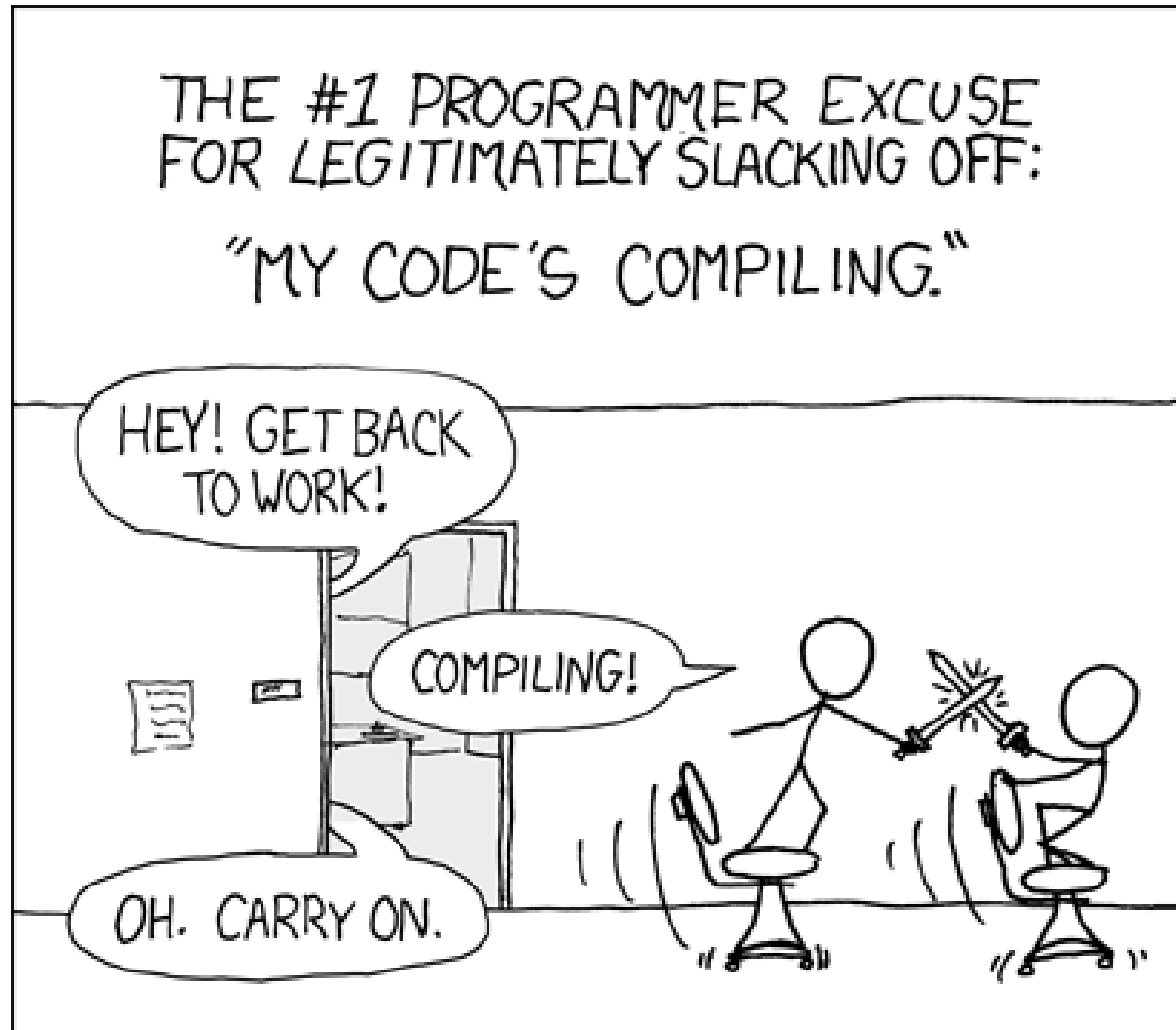
- You could manually type out the declaration for each function you want to use at the top of your C file
- Instead, we create “Header files” (.h) that hold all the function declarations for functions in the associated .c file
- `#include`-ing a header file tells the pre-processor to paste its contents
  - The same as if you had typed them in the top of the file yourself
  - Leads to weird errors sometimes if you mess up a header file
  - Be sure to only include header files!

# Examples

example\_project/  
preprocessor\_example/

- The `-E` flag tells the compiler to only run the pre-processor
- In `example_project/`
  - `cc -E src/interact.c -o interact.i`
    - Note that header files are included
    - Note that some functions are only definitions right now
- Simpler example can be found in `preprocessor_example/`
  - Run `make` to create `client.i` and `library.i`

# Break + relevant xkcd



<https://xkcd.com/303/>

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# Definition of Fibonacci Function

- $$fib(n) = \begin{cases} n, & \text{if } n < 2; \\ fib(n - 2) + fib(n - 1), & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

<b>n</b>	<b>fib(n)</b>
0	0
1	1
2	1
3	2
4	3
5	5
6	8
7	13
8	21

# Implementing Fibonacci in C

```
long fib(int n) {  
    if (n < 2) {  
        return n;  
    } else {  
        return fib(n - 2) + fib(n - 1);  
    }  
}
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# Statements and Conditions aren't enough

- Not all problems are easily solved with recursion
- C, like many programming languages, also has loops
  - Repeats the statements inside it until some condition is met

# Iteration with the While Statement

- Syntax

```
while (<test-expression>) {  
    <body-statements>  
}
```

- Semantics

1. Evaluate `<test-expression>` to a `bool`
2. If the `bool` is *false* then skip to the statement after the `while` loop
3. Execute `<body-statements>` (if the `bool` was true)
4. Go back to step 1

# Implementing Fibonacci in C

```
long fib_iterative(int n) {  
    long curr = 0;  
    long next = 1;  
  
    while (n > 0) {  
        long prev = curr;  
  
        curr = next;  
        next = prev + curr;  
        n = n - 1;  
    }  
  
    return curr;  
}
```

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# For loops

- For loops allow you to combine iteration and incrementing

- When you write a for statement like this:

```
for (<start-decl>; <test-expr>; <step-expr>) {  
    <body-stms>  
}
```

- It's as if you'd written this while statement:

```
{  
    <start-decl>;  
    while (<test-expr>) {  
        <body-stms>  
        <step-expr>;  
    }  
}
```

# Modify fib to use a for loop

```
long fib_iterative(int n) {
    long curr = 0;
    long next = 1;

    while (n > 0) {
        long prev = curr;

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        i = i + 1;  
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# Complete: modify fib to use a for loop

```
long fib_iterative(int n) {  
    long curr = 0;  
    long next = 1;  
  
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i = i + 1) {  
        long prev = curr;  
  
        curr = next;  
        next = prev + curr;  
    }  
  
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}
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# Break + Question

- What value will this code return when called as:
  - loop\_function(6)
  - loop\_function(5)
  - loop\_function(3)

```
int loop_function(int test) {  
    int retval = 0;  
    while (test < 5) {  
        retval = retval + 1;  
        test = test + 1;  
    }  
    return retval;  
}
```

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# printf() function

- The usual way to print in C is the `printf()` function
  - Takes a *format string* followed by arguments to *interpolate* in place of the string's format specifiers

```
printf("( %d, %d) \n", x, y);
```

`%d` format specifier means the argument is an `int`

Prints "( " + the value of `x` + ", " + the value of `y` + ") \n"

- `printf()` is in the `stdio.h` library, which needs to be `#include-ed`

# Example: formatted output

```
#include <stdio.h>

int main(void) {
    int x = 5;

    double f = 5.1;

    printf("sizeof x: %zu bytes\n", sizeof(x));
    printf("sizeof f: %zu bytes\n", sizeof(f));
    printf("x: %d\nf: %.60e\n", x, f);
}
```

- A format specifier gives the argument's type and maybe some options
  - %zu      **type:** `size_t`      (the return result of `sizeof`)
  - %d      **type:** `int`
  - %.60e **type:** `double`, include 60 digits of precision

# How do you learn format specifiers?

- You look them up in a guide!
  - Even I don't have them memorized...
- `man 3 printf`
  - Runs in the terminal
  - Shows details about printf
- google "printf format specifiers" (this is what I do)
  - cplusplus.com is a good resource
  - <https://www.cplusplus.com/reference/cstdio/printf/>



# Reading user input

- To input numbers in C, use the `scanf()` function
- `scanf` reads keyboard input, converts it to the require type, and stores it in an existing variable:

```
int x = 0;  
scanf("%d", &x);
```

- Like `printf()`, `scanf()` uses a format string to determine what type to convert the input into
- `&x` means to pass `x`'s location, not its value (more on this next week)
- Careful: `scanf()` directives aren't exactly the same as `printf()`

# Example: reading input

```
#include <stdio.h>

double sqr_dbl(double n) {
    return n * n;
}

int main(void) {
    double d = 0.0;
    scanf("%lf", &d);
    printf("%lf squared is %lf\n", d, sqr_dbl(d));
}
```

# Example: reading multiple items

```
#include <stdio.h>

int main(void) {
    int x;
    int y;
    printf("Enter two integers: ");
    scanf("%d%d", &x, &y);
    printf("%d * %d = %d\n", x, y, x * y);
}
```

# What if scanf() has an error?

- `scanf()` returns the number of successful conversions

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main(void) {
    int x
    int y;
    printf("Enter two integers: ");
    if (scanf("%d%d", &x, &y) != 2) {
        printf("Input error\n");
        return 1;
    }
    printf("%d * %d == %d\n", x, y, x * y);
}
```

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# C comments

- `//` means a single-line comment
- `/*` starts a multiline comment, which continues until `*/`
- How to use comments effectively
  - Comment “blocks” of code with their purpose
    - Every line is too much
    - Often helpful to write the comments before the code as planning
  - Comment tricky bits of code so you know what it means
    - You + several weeks = “what does that code mean?!”

# Logical operators

- `||` &&
  - Logical OR, and Logical AND
  - `a < 5 && b > 12`
- `!`
  - Logical NOT
  - `!(a < 5)` equivalent to `(a >= 5)`
- `==`
  - Equality test
  - `5 == 5 -> TRUE`
  - `16 == -3 -> FALSE`
  - Don't mix it up with assignment (single equals sign)
    - Really common new C programmer mistake

# Other operators you'll see around

- $+=$   $*=$   $-=$   $/=$ 
  - Perform the action of `VAR = VAR operator ARG`
  - `a += 5`  $\rightarrow$  `a = a + 5`
  - `a *= b`  $\rightarrow$  `a = a * b`
- $\%$ 
  - Modulus operator
  - Returns the remainder of division
  - `12 % 10`  $\rightarrow$  `2`
- $\sim$   $|$   $\&$   $\wedge$ 
  - Bitwise NOT, OR, AND, and XOR (you'll learn these in CS213)
  - Importantly,  $\wedge$  is not exponentiation!!!



# Adding and Subtracting one

- `++` `--`
  - Shorthand for plus 1 or minus 1
  - `++a`  $\rightarrow$  `a += 1`  $\rightarrow$  `a = a + 1`
- The auto-increment/decrement operators can go before or after the variable
  - `(--x)` subtracts one and returns the new value of x from the expression
  - `(x--)` subtracts one but returns the *old* value of x from the expression
  - Usually, this doesn't matter, unless you write complicated statements that combine assignment and conditions
  - `if (--x > 0) ...` (please just never do this)

# Implementing Fibonacci in C

```
long fib_iterative(int n) {
    long curr = 0;
    long next = 1;

    for (int i = 0; i < n; ++i) { // i++ also works
        long prev = curr;

        curr = next;
        next = prev + curr;
    }

    return curr;
}
```

$$fib(n) = \begin{cases} n, & \text{if } n < 2; \\ fib(n-2) + fib(n-1), & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

## `typedef` can be used to make new C type names

- `typedef` creates a new type name that is a copy of an existing type
- `typedef` keyword is followed by two types
  - First type: the original type name
  - Second type: the new type name

- **Example:**

```
typedef int x_coordinate_t;  
x_coordinate_t my_variable = 5;
```

# Ternary Operator

- `? :`
    - Shorthand version of an if statement, determining result of expression
  - Example:
    - `return (a < 5) ? a : b;`
- equivalent to
- ```
if (a < 5) {  
    return a;  
} else {  
    return b;  
}
```
- You won't need to use this. Usually, it just makes code harder to read.

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# What else can the pre-processor do?

- Macros
  - Text substitutions made by the pre-processor
- Compile-time code inclusion
  - Determine which code is actually compiled based on flags
- Pragma
  - Special commands to the compiler

# C macros

```
#define NAME_OF_MACRO value_of_macro
```

- **Examples:**

```
#define LENGTH 20
```

```
#define FAIL_MESSAGE "There was an error!\n"
```

- The pre-processor pastes the text of the "value" wherever it finds the macro "name" in the source code
  - Useful for defining values that will be used in code
  - Again, be careful about weird bugs here!



# Macro functions

- Macros can be used as functions as well

```
#define DEBUG(msg) printf(msg)
```

```
#define MIN(a, b) ((a < b) ? a : b)
```

- Generally, avoid this
  - You could just write a C function to do the operation instead
    - And the compiler will check this for errors better
  - It can be tricky to get right

# Example of macro function trickiness

```
#define ADD(a, b) a+b
```

```
int x = ADD(3,4)*5; // Expects 7*5=35
```

- The pre-processor will expand this to:

```
int x = 3+4*5; // Expects 7*5=35
```

- Extra parentheses around the macro value prevent this issue

```
#define ADD(a, b) (a+b)
```

# Ifdef in C

- The pre-processor evaluates the statement before compilation and either includes or removes the text
  - Useful because the code literally does not exist if removed

```
#ifdef DEBUG
    printf("Debug message here\n");
#endif
```

- Ifdef hell: when you can't figure out which C code is actually being compiled due to too many `#ifdefs`

# Pragma examples

- Pragmas tell the C compiler to do something
  - Turn on/off warnings
  - Various compiler tricks that are important for low-level OS code
- Most common example: `#pragma` once at the top of each header
  - Tells the compiler to track this file and only paste it in a given C file once
  - Otherwise could end up with a bunch of different copies
- Old C code uses `#ifdef` at the top of header files for the same task
  - Paired with an `#endif` at the very bottom of the file

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## Bonus: Makefile for example\_project/

- Take a look at these if you want to understand the Makefile for the interact and posn\_test programs from today's lecture files
  - In the example\_project/ directory

# Bonus: Makefile for building interact and posn\_test

- These rules encode the dependency diagram from a few slides back (but with preprocessing and translation combined)

```
interact: interact.o posn.o
    cc -o interact interact.o posn.o
```

```
posn_test: posn_test.o posn.o
    cc -o posn_test posn_test.o posn.o
```

```
interact.o: interact.c posn.h
    cc -c -o interact.o interact.c
```

```
posn_test.o: posn_test.c posn.h
    cc -c -o posn_test.o posn_test.c
```

```
posn.o: posn.c posn.h
    cc -c -o posn.o posn.c
```

# Bonus: Makefile for building interact and posn\_test

- Good programmers are lazy and hate repetition. So much repetition here!

```
interact: interact.o posn.o
    cc -o interact interact.o posn.o
```

```
posn_test: posn_test.o posn.o
    cc -o posn_test posn_test.o posn.o
```

```
interact.o: interact.c posn.h
    cc -c -o interact.o interact.c
```

```
posn_test.o: posn_test.c posn.h
    cc -c -o posn_test.o posn_test.c
```

```
posn.o: posn.c posn.h
    cc -c -o posn.o posn.c
```



# Bonus: Makefile for building interact and posn\_test

- You don't have to repeat the goal in each recipe
  - It's better to use the special variable `$$` instead

```
interact: interact.o posn.o
    cc -o $$ interact.o posn.o
```

```
posn_test: posn_test.o posn.o
    cc -o $$ posn_test.o posn.o
```

```
interact.o: interact.c posn.h
    cc -c -o $$ interact.c
```

```
posn_test.o: posn_test.c posn.h
    cc -c -o $$ posn_test.c
```

```
posn.o: posn.c posn.h
    cc -c -o $$ posn.c
```

# Bonus: Makefile for building interact and posn\_test

- Similarly,  $\$^{\wedge}$  is a variable that stands for the prerequisites
  - Or  $\$<$  when you only want the *first* prerequisite

```
interact: interact.o posn.o
    cc -o $@ $^
```

```
posn_test: posn_test.o posn.o
    cc -o $@ $^
```

```
interact.o: interact.c posn.h
    cc -c -o $@ $<
```

```
posn_test.o: posn_test.c posn.h
    cc -c -o $@ $<
```

```
posn.o: posn.c posn.h
    cc -c -o $@ $<
```

# Bonus: Makefile for building interact and posn\_test

- Now note that the bottom three compilation rules are the same except for the filename. We can replace them with a pattern rule

```
interact: interact.o posn.o
    cc -o $@ $^
```

```
posn_test: posn_test.o posn.o
    cc -o $@ $^
```

```
interact.o: interact.c posn.h
    cc -c -o $@ $<
```

```
posn_test.o: posn_test.c posn.h
    cc -c -o $@ $<
```

```
posn.o: posn.c posn.h
    cc -c -o $@ $<
```

# Bonus: Makefile for building interact and posn\_test

- This pattern says we can build any .o file from a matching .c file

```
interact: interact.o posn.o
```

```
cc -o $@ $^
```

```
posn_test: posn_test.o posn.o
```

```
cc -o $@ $^
```

```
%.o: %.c posn.h
```

```
cc -c -o $@ $<
```

# Bonus: Makefile for building interact and posn\_test

- That pattern is pretty generic except for the reliance on posn.h
  - Let's break that out into a separate rule

```
interact: interact.o posn.o
    cc -o $@ $^
```

```
posn_test: posn_test.o posn.o
    cc -o $@ $^
```

```
%.o: %.c
    cc -c -o $@ $<
```

```
interact.o posn_test.o posn.o: posn.h
```

# Bonus: Makefile for building interact and posn\_test

- And we really ought to make the compiler used a variable
  - Then others could change it out if desired

```
interact: interact.o posn.o
    $(CC) -o $@ $^
```

```
posn_test: posn_test.o posn.o
    $(CC) -o $@ $^
```

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

```
interact.o posn_test.o posn.o: posn.h
```

# Bonus: Makefile for building interact and posn\_test

- Finally, there are often compiler options we want to pass in
  - Here are the standard variables for holding those

```
interact: interact.o posn.o
    $(CC) -o $@ $^ $(CFLAGS) $(LDFLAGS)
```

```
posn_test: posn_test.o posn.o
    $(CC) -o $@ $^ $(CFLAGS) $(LDFLAGS)
```

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

```
interact.o posn_test.o posn.o: posn.h
```