Compilation / Linkage Errors Immunization Booster Shot

Module #101

Coverage

Compilation Errors Linkage Errors Runtime Errors



Understanding runtime errors



Compile & Run this Code

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main()
             int x;
             printf("Enter a value for x ");
             scanf ( "%d", x );
             if (x = 0) printf("value is null\n");
             else
                           printf ("value is not");
                           printf ("null\n");
             printf("program is done\n");
```

Understanding Compile-time errors



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[1] Playing with compilation time errors

- Let's make some obvious errors and check how the compiler is responding to them
- The point is to get used to receive error messages which are not directly related to the real error
- Learn to think how the compiler does

```
/* File Name: Prog1_1.c
 Definition: A simple C program that displays a message.
*/
# include <stdio.h>
int main ( )
 /* one line of output */
 printf ( "This is my first C program.\n" );
 return 0;
```

#1 Remove This

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Not properly closed comments here are closing anyway aren't they? Does the compilation error message helps?:)

```
/* File Name: Prog1_1.c
    Definition: A simple C program that displays a message.

# include <stdio.h>

int main()
{
    printf("This is my first C program.\n");
    return 0;
}
```

#3 Remove This Not properly closed comments here are closing anyway aren't they? Does the compilation error message helps?:)

```
/* File Name: Prog1_1.c
 Definition: A simple C program that displays a message.
# include <stdio.h>
int main ( )
 /* one line of output */
 printf ( "This is my first C program.\n" );
 return 0;
```

#3
Remove This
(another comment
is in the file)

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```
/* File Name: Prog1_1.c
 Definition: A simple C program that displays a message.
*/
# include <stdio.h>
int main ()
 /* one line of output */
 printf ("my first C program.\n")
 return 0;
```

#4 Remove This

```
/* File Name: Prog1_1.c
 Definition: A simple C program that displays a message.
# include <stdio.h>
int main ( )
 /* one line of output */
 printf ("my first C program.\n");
 printf ("woohoo");
 return 0;
                                                           #4
                                                      Remove This
```

```
/* File Name: Prog1_1.c
 Definition: A simple C program that displays a message.
# include <stdio.h>
int main ( )
 /* one line of output */
 printf ( "my first C program.\n"); printf ( "woohoo " );
 return 0;
                                                             #4
```

Remove This

```
/* File Name: Prog1_1.c
 Definition: A simple C program that displays a message.
# include <stdio.h>
int main ( )
 /* one line of output */
 printf ( "my first C program.\n"); printf ( "); " );
 return 0;
                                                              #4
```

Remove This

```
/* File Name: Prog1_1.c
 Definition: A simple C program that displays a message.
# include <stdio.h>
int main ( )
 /* one line of output */
 printf ( "my first C program.\n"); printf ( "); " ); // ";
 return 0;
                                                              #4
```

Remove This

```
/* File Name: Prog1_1.c
 Definition: A simple C program that displays a message.
*/
# include <stdio.h>
int main ( )
 /* one line of output */
 printf ("This is my first C program.\n");
 printf ("...second line here we go !!\n");
 return 0
```

#5 Remove This

Understanding link-time errors



Playing with linkage time errors

- Once program compiles fine there can still be some errors you'll have to face...
- More about these quite at the end of this course but here is a primer...

```
/* File Name: Prog1_1.c
 Definition: A simple C program that displays a message.
*/
# include <stdio.h>
int main ( )
 /* one line of output */
printf ( "This is my first C program.\n" );
 return 0;
```

#1 Misspell this

```
/* File Name: Prog1_1.c
 Definition: A simple C program that displays a message.
*/
# include <stdio.h>
int main ()
 /* one line of output */
 printf ( "This is my first C program.\n" );
 return 0;
```

#2 Remove This

```
/* File Name: Prog1_1.c
 Definition: A simple C program that displays a message.
*/
# include <stdio.h>
int main ( )
        /* one line of output */
        printf ( "This is my first C program.\n" );
        dowork();
        return 0;
```

ADD this

```
/* File Name: Prog1_1.c
 Definition: A simple C program that displays a message.
*/
# include <stdio.h>
int main ( )
        /* one line of output */
        printf ( "This is my first C program.\n" );
        dowork();
        return 0;
```

ADD this

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What is the difference between

- linking against a library
- #including a header file

FAQ

- Why are both necessary?
- Which one is relevant to compile time?
- What does the compiler need exactly?
- Which one is relevant to linkage time?
- What does the linker need exactly?



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Linking, libraries and dynamically linked libraries



What's in an executable?

- Edit a void.c with only a main doing nothing at all
- compile it with gcc with dynamic shared libraries
 GCC -o void_dynamic void.c
- compile it with static linkage
 GCC -static -o void_static void.c
- Examine the sizes of the generated files ...

What about overheads

```
-rw-r--r- 1 gaspara voicedb 29 Aug 13 02:11 void.c

-rwxr-xr-x 1 gaspara voicedb 13593 Aug 13 02:12 void_dynamic

-rwxr-xr-x 1 gaspara voicedb 1673123 Aug 13 02:12 void_static
```

-rw-rr	1 gaspara voicedb	339	Aug 9 16:35	hw.c
-rwxr-xr-x	1 gaspara voicedb	13845	Aug 13 02:22	hw_dynamic
-rwxr-xr-x	1 gaspara voicedb	1674168	Aug 13 02:28	hw_static

