

086180 - INFORMATICA APPLICATA

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M06_B – IL PREPROCESSOR

C Preprocessor

- ◉ has more capabilities than we will cover
- ◉ We will focus on this subset:
 - including text file into your source code
 - `#include <filename>` - standard library
 - `#include "filename"` - own directory library
 - Macro Substitution (with or without parameters)
 - a.k.a. Symbolic Constants (a symbol for a constant value)
 - e.g., `#define EQUAL ==`
 - would allow you to use `EQUAL` in place of `==`
 - Conditional Compilation
 - `#if, #else,` ('if' and 'else' statements)
 - `#endif, #elif` ('end-if' and 'else-if' statements)
 - `#ifdef, #ifndef` ('if defined' and 'if not defined' statements)

File Inclusion

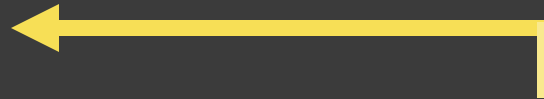
- ⦿ Does text inclusion - includes entire contents of file in your source code at the point of #include statement BEFORE it goes to the compiler to include commonly used code, declarations
- ⦿ #include "filename"
 - *searches your directory for the file to include*
- ⦿ #include <stdio.h>
 - *searches established list of system directories for file to include*
- ⦿ .h is naming convention to indicate header file

#define

```
#define PI 3.14159
```

will replace PI in your code with 3.14159

```
int PI_FACTOR = 0;
```



BUT will NOT replace either one of these. Why?

```
printf("CHERRY PIE");
```



```
#define SECONDS_PER_DAY (60 * 60 * 24)
```

will replace SECONDS_PER_DAY in your code with (60 * 60 * 24)

#define

```
#define MAX_LOOPS 15
```

```
for( i = 1; i < MAX_LOOPS; ++i)
```

is replaced **BEFORE** compilation by

```
for( i = 1; i < 15; ++i)
```

Predefined Symbolic Constants

Already defined “by the system”
Cannot be use in #define

__FILE__	source file name (string)
__LINE__	an integer giving line number
__DATE__	compile date (string)
__TIME__	compile time (string)

```
printf("In file %s at line # %d\n", __FILE__, __LINE__);  
printf("on %s at %s\n", __DATE__, __TIME__);
```

prints:

```
In file lab4.c at line # 123  
on Jan 14, 1995 at 10:38:34
```