



Building





Goals of this Lecture

Help you learn about:

- The build process for multi-file programs
- Partial builds of multi-file programs
- **make**, a popular tool for automating (partial) builds

Why?

- A complete build of a large multi-file program typically consumes many hours
- To save build time, a power programmer knows how to do partial builds
- A power programmer knows how to automate (partial) builds using **make**



Review: Multi-File Programs

intmath.h (interface)

```
#ifndef INTMATH_INCLUDED
#define INTMATH_INCLUDED
int gcd(int i, int j);
int lcm(int i, int j);
#endif
```

intmath.c (implementation)

```
#include "intmath.h"

int gcd(int i, int j)
{ int temp;
  while (j != 0)
  { temp = i % j;
    i = j;
    j = temp;
  }
  return i;
}

int lcm(int i, int j)
{ return (i / gcd(i, j)) * j;
}
```

testintmath.c (client)

```
#include "intmath.h"
#include <stdio.h>

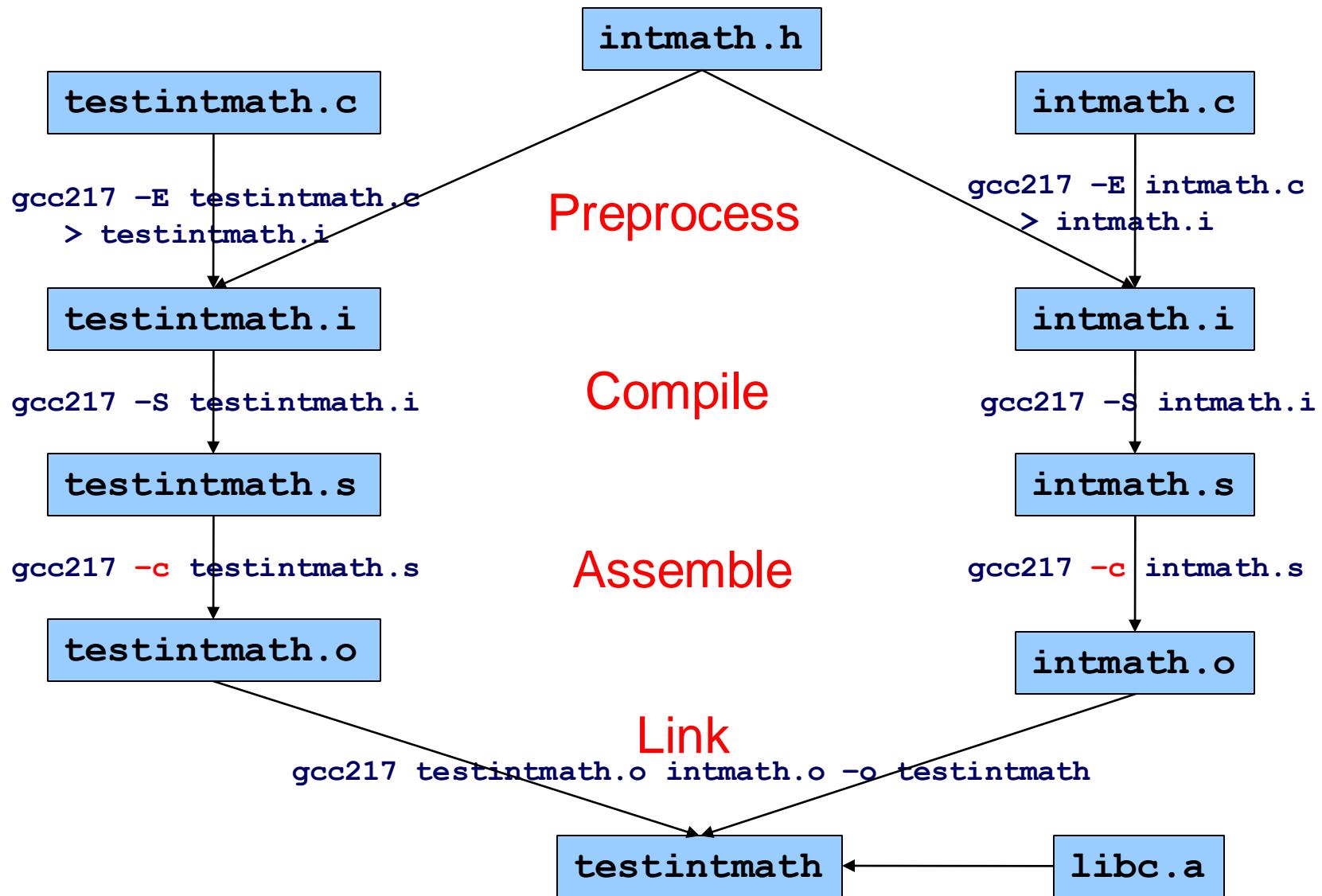
int main(void)
{ int i;
  int j;
  printf("Enter the first integer:\n");
  scanf("%d", &i);
  printf("Enter the second integer:\n");
  scanf("%d", &j);
  printf("Greatest common divisor: %d.\n",
         gcd(i, j));
  printf("Least common multiple: %d.\n",
         lcm(i, j));
  return 0;
}
```

Note: intmath.h is
#included into intmath.c
and testintmath.c

See precept handouts for stylistically better version



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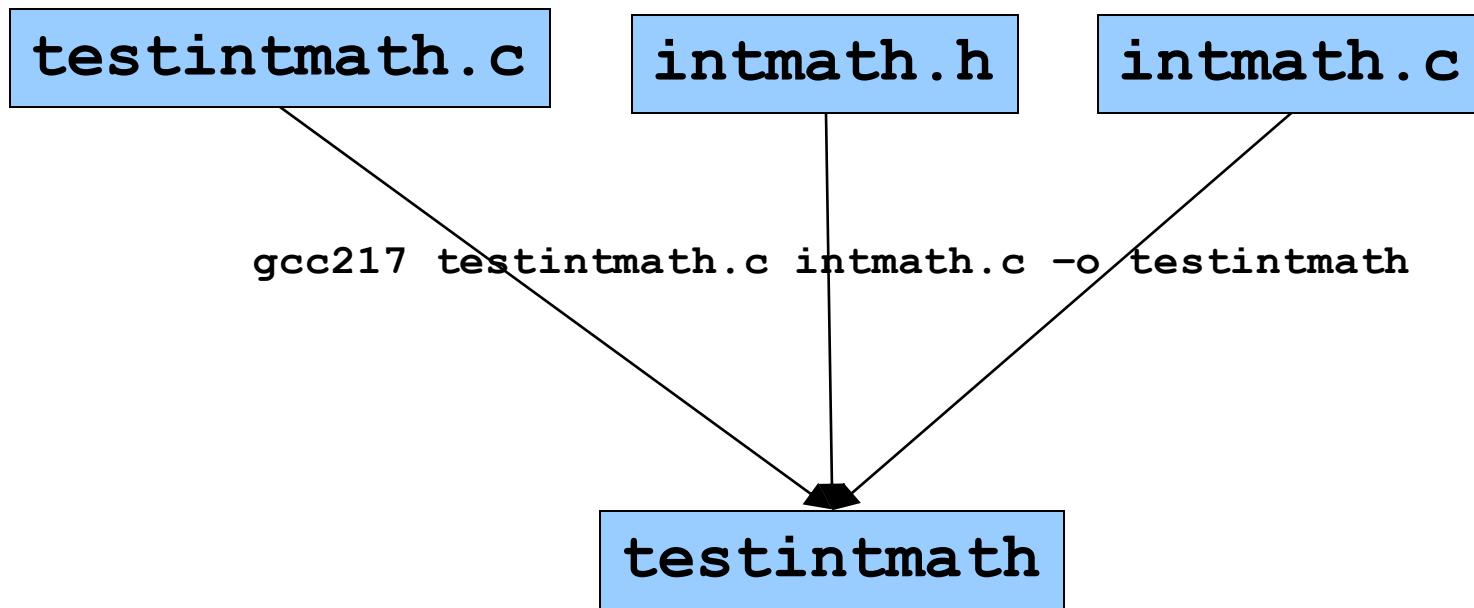
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Motivation for Make (Part 1)

Building **testintmath**, approach 1:

- Use one `gcc217` command to preprocess, compile, assemble, and link



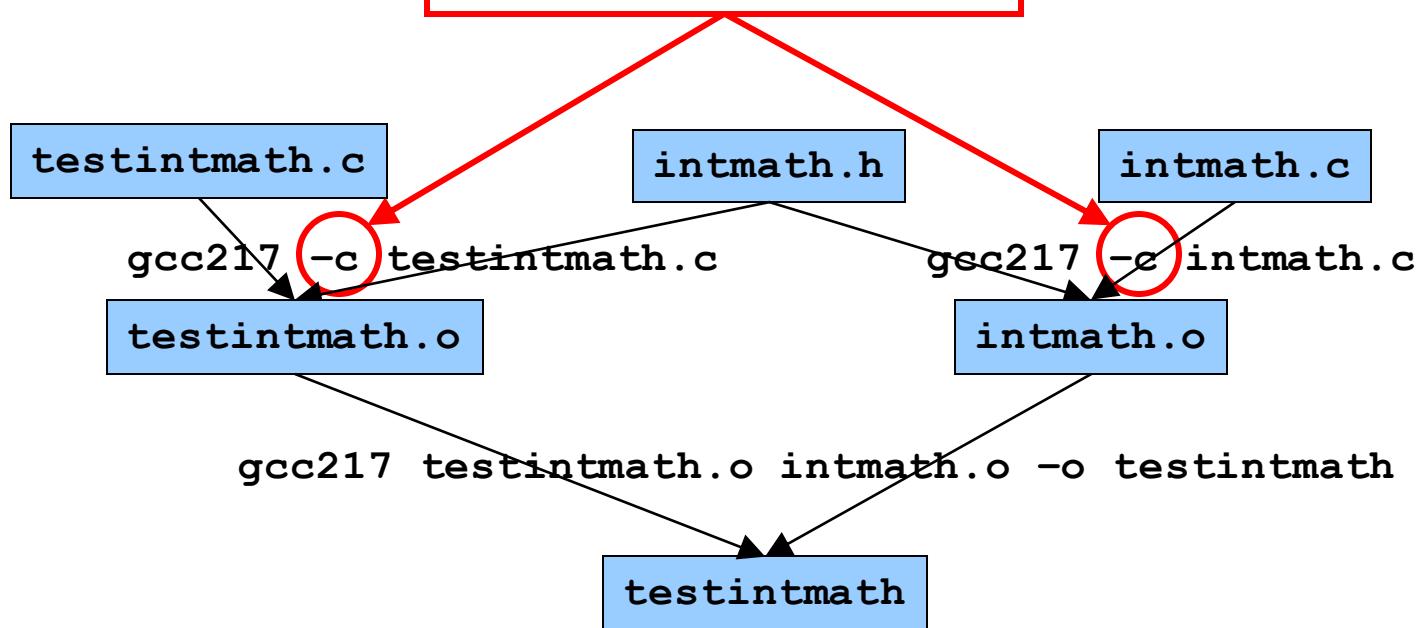


Motivation for Make (Part 2)

Building `testintmath`, approach 2:

- Preprocess, compile, assemble to produce .o files
- Link to produce executable binary file

Recall: -c option
tells gcc217 to omit link

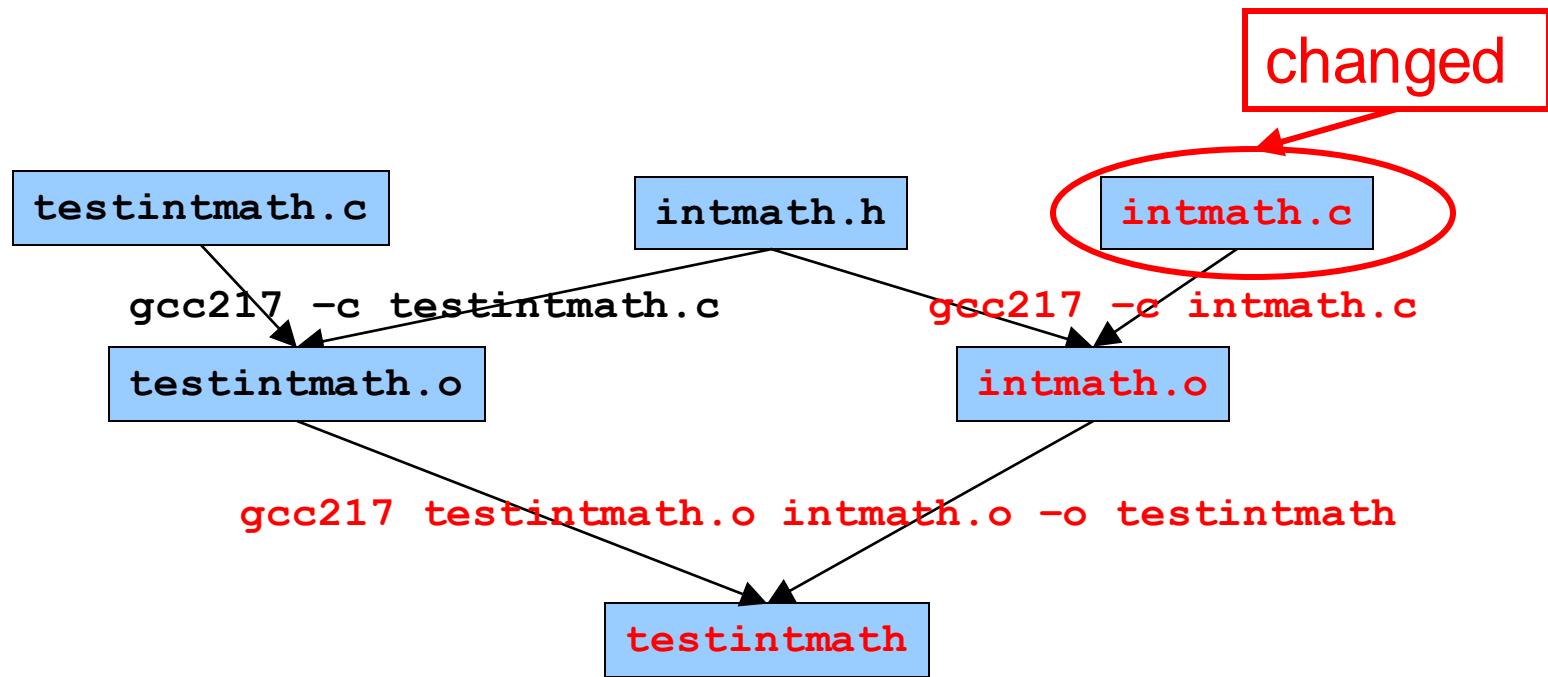




Partial Builds

Approach 2 allows for **partial builds**

- Example: Change `intmath.c`
 - Must rebuild `intmath.o` and `testintmath`
 - Need not rebuild `testintmath.o`!!!

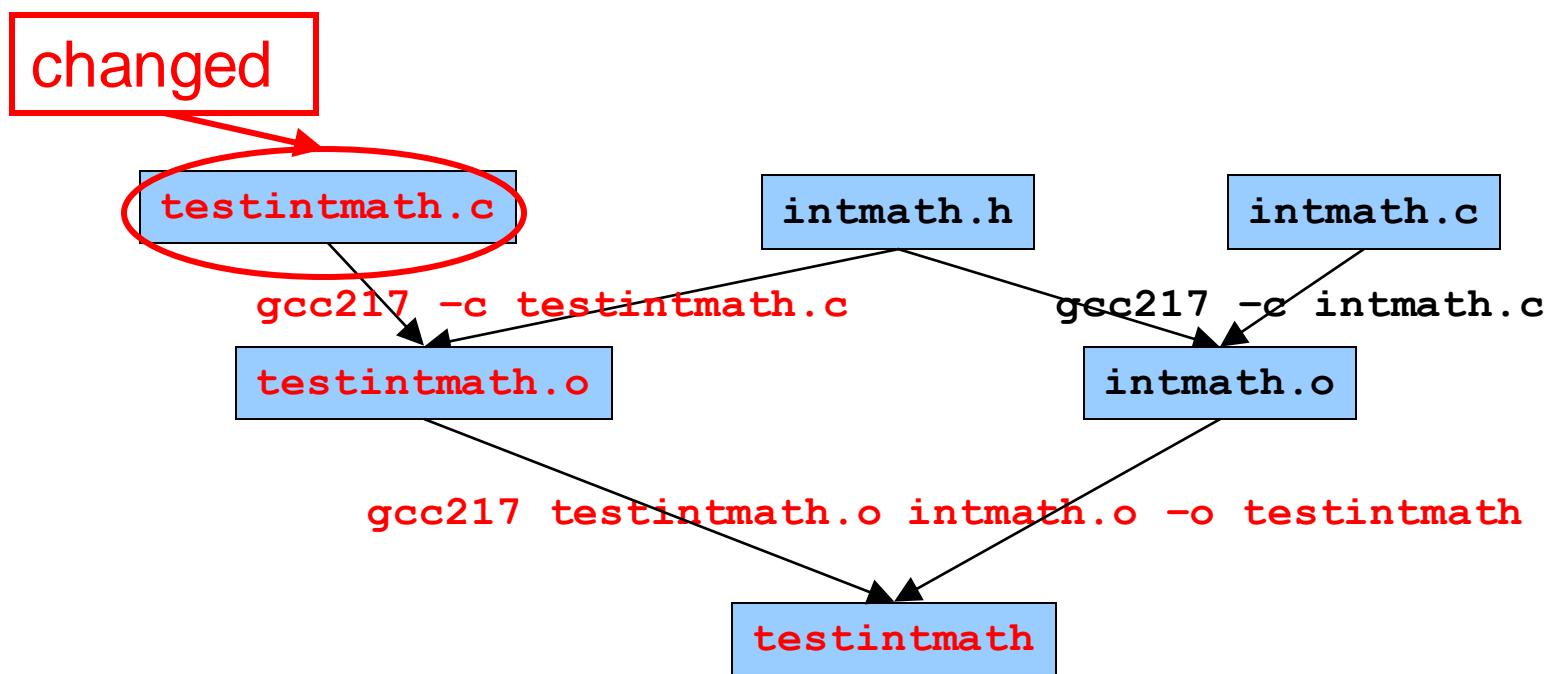




Partial Builds

- Example: Change `testintmath.c`
 - Must rebuild `testintmath.o` and `testintmath`
 - Need not rebuild `intmath.o`!!!

If program contains many .c files, could save many hours of build time

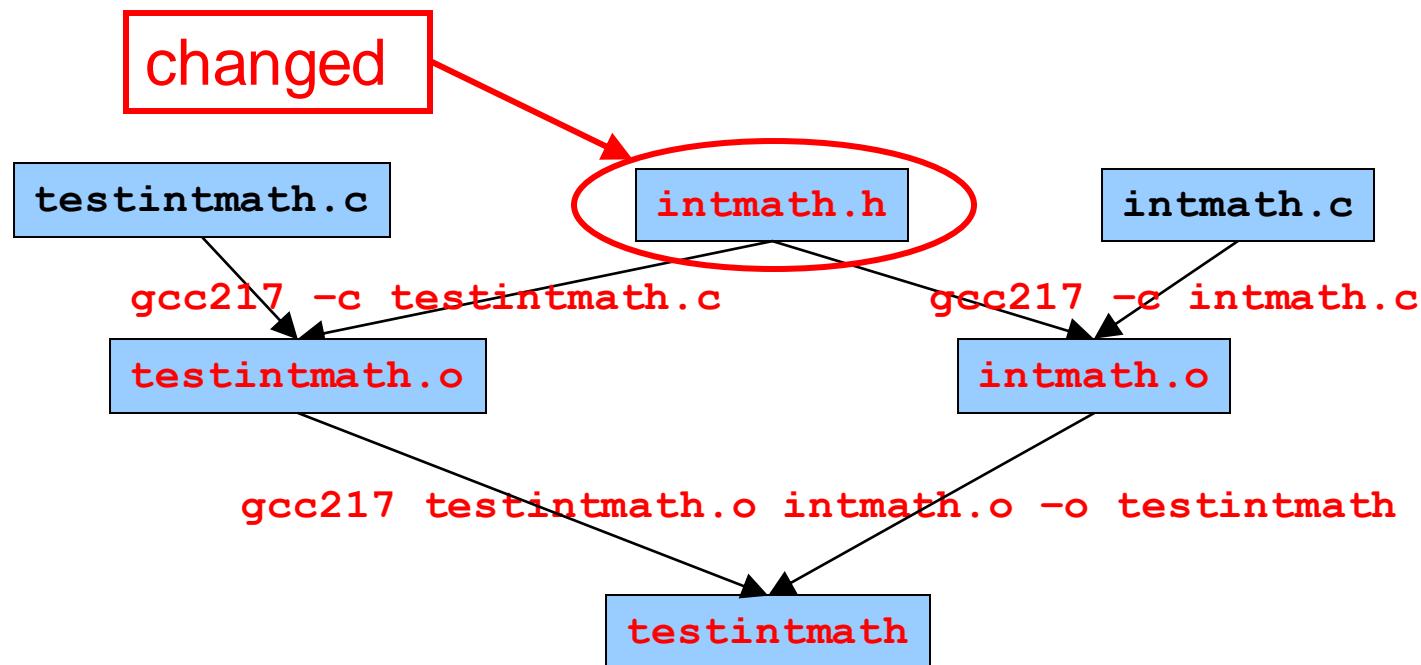




Partial Builds

However, changing a .h file can be more dramatic

- Example: Change `intmath.h`
 - `intmath.h` is #included into `testintmath.c` and `intmath.c`
 - Changing `intmath.h` effectively changes `testintmath.c` and `intmath.c`
 - Must rebuild `testintmath.o`, `intmath.o`, and `testintmath`





Wouldn't It Be Nice...

Observation

- Doing partial builds manually is tedious and error-prone
- Wouldn't it be nice if there were a tool

How would the tool work?

- Input:
 - Dependency graph (as shown previously)
 - Specifies file dependencies
 - Specifies commands to build each file from its dependents
 - Date/time stamps of files
- Algorithm:
 - If file B depends on A and date/time stamp of A is newer than date/time stamp of B, then rebuild B using the specified command

That's **make!**



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The Make Tool

Who? Stuart Feldman '68

When? 1976

Where? Bell Labs

Why? Automate partial builds



(This is Stu Feldman recently;
in 1976 he looked younger)



Make Command Syntax

Command syntax

```
make [-f makefile] [target]
```

- *makefile*

- Textual representation of dependency graph
- Contains **dependency rules**
- Default name is **makefile**, then **Makefile**

- *target*

- What **make** should build
- Usually: .o file, or an executable binary file
- Default is first one defined in **makefile**



Dependency Rules

Dependency rule syntax

target: **dependencies**

<tab>**command**

- **target**: the file you want to build
- **dependencies**: the files on which the target depends
- **command**: what to execute to create the target (after a TAB character)

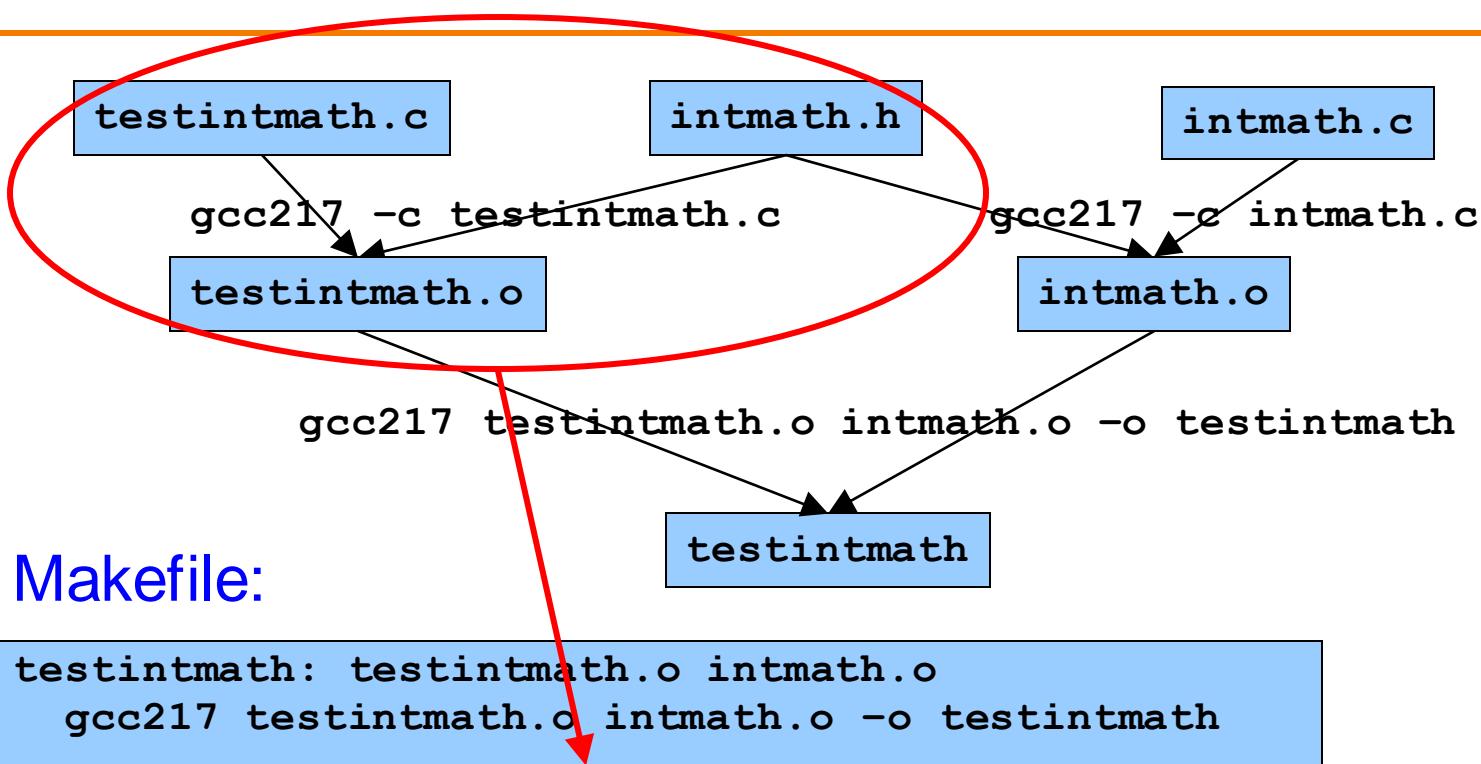
Dependency rule semantics

- Build **target** iff it is older than any of its **dependencies**
- Use **command** to do the build

Work recursively; examples illustrate...



Makefile Version 1



Makefile:

```
testintmath: testintmath.o intmath.o
    gcc217 testintmath.o intmath.o -o testintmath

testintmath.o: testintmath.c intmath.h
    gcc217 -c testintmath.c

intmath.o: intmath.c intmath.h
    gcc217 -c intmath.c
```



Version 1 in Action

At first, to build testintmath make issues all three gcc commands

Use the touch command to change the date/time stamp of intmath.c

```
$ make testintmath  
gcc217 -c testintmath.c  
gcc217 -c intmath.c  
gcc217 testintmath.o intmath.o -o testintmath
```

```
$ touch intmath.c
```

```
$ make testintmath  
gcc217 -c intmath.c  
gcc217 testintmath.o intmath.o -o testintmath
```

```
$ make testintmath  
make: `testintmath' is up to date.
```

```
$ make  
make: `testintmath' is up to date.
```

make does a partial build

make notes that the specified target is up to date

The default target is testintmath, the target of the first dependency rule



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Adding useful shortcuts for the programmer

- **make all**: create the final executable binary file
- **make clean**: delete all .o files, executable binary file
- **make clobber**: delete all Emacs backup files, all .o files, executable binary file

Commands in the example

- **rm -f**: remove files without querying the user
- Files ending in ‘~’ and starting/ending in ‘#’ are Emacs backup files

```
all: testintmath

clobber: clean
        rm -f *~ \#*#\#
clean:
        rm -f testintmath *.o
```



Makefile Version 2

```
# Dependency rules for non-file targets
all: testintmath

clobber: clean
    rm -f *~ \#\*\#\#
clean:
    rm -f testintmath *.o

# Dependency rules for file targets
testintmath: testintmath.o intmath.o
    gcc217 testintmath.o intmath.o -o testintmath
testintmath.o: testintmath.c intmath.h
    gcc217 -c testintmath.c
intmath.o: intmath.c intmath.h
    gcc217 -c intmath.c
```



Version 2 in Action

make observes that “clean” target doesn’t exist; attempts to build it by issuing “rm” command

```
$ make clean  
rm -f testintmath *.o
```

Same idea here, but “clobber” depends upon “clean”

```
$ make clobber  
rm -f testintmath *.o  
rm -f *~ \#*\#\#
```

```
$ make all  
gcc217 -c testintmath.c  
gcc217 -c intmath.c  
qcc217 testintmath.o intmath.o -o testintmath
```

```
$ make  
make: Nothing to be done for `all'.
```

“all” depends upon “testintmath”

“all” is the default target



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Macros

make has a macro facility

- Performs textual substitution
- Similar to C preprocessor's **#define**

Macro definition syntax

macroname = *macrodefinition*

- **make** replaces $\$(\textit{macroname})$ with *macrodefinition* in remainder of Makefile

Example: Make it easy to change build commands

CC = gcc217

Example: Make it easy to change build flags

CFLAGS = -D NDEBUG -O



Makefile Version 3

```
# Macros
CC = gcc217
# CC = gcc217m
CFLAGS =
# CFLAGS = -g
# CFLAGS = -D NDEBUG
# CFLAGS = -D NDEBUG -O

# Dependency rules for non-file targets
all: testintmath

clobber: clean
    rm -f *~ \#\*\#\#
clean:
    rm -f testintmath *.o

# Dependency rules for file targets
testintmath: testintmath.o intmath.o
    $(CC) $(CFLAGS) testintmath.o intmath.o -o testintmath
testintmath.o: testintmath.c intmath.h
    $(CC) $(CFLAGS) -c testintmath.c
intmath.o: intmath.c intmath.h
    $(CC) $(CFLAGS) -c intmath.c
```



Version 3 in Action

Same as Version 2



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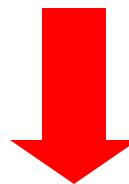
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- Target file: \$@
- First item in the dependency list: \$<

Example

```
testintmath: testintmath.o intmath.o
$(CC) $(CFLAGS) testintmath.o intmath.o -o testintmath
```



```
testintmath: testintmath.o intmath.o
$(CC) $(CFLAGS) $< intmath.o -o $@
```



Makefile Version 4

```
# Macros
CC = gcc217
# CC = gcc217m
CFLAGS =
# CFLAGS = -g
# CFLAGS = -D NDEBUG
# CFLAGS = -D NDEBUG -O

# Dependency rules for non-file targets
all: testintmath

clobber: clean
    rm -f *~ \#\*\#\#
clean:
    rm -f testintmath *.o

# Dependency rules for file targets
testintmath: testintmath.o intmath.o
    $(CC) $(CFLAGS) $< intmath.o -o $@
testintmath.o: testintmath.c intmath.h
    $(CC) $(CFLAGS) -c $<
intmath.o: intmath.c intmath.h
    $(CC) $(CFLAGS) -c $<
```



Version 4 in Action

Same as Version 2



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Pattern rule

- Wildcard version of dependency rule
- Example:

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

- Translation: To build a .o file from a .c file of the same name, use the command `$(CC) $(CFLAGS) -c $<`
- With pattern rule, dependency rules become simpler:

```
testintmath: testintmath.o intmath.o  
$(CC) $(CFLAGS) $< intmath.o -o $@  
testintmath.o: testintmath.c intmath.h  
intmath.o: intmath.c intmath.h
```

Can omit build command

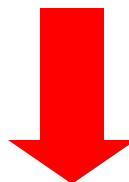


Pattern Rules Bonus

Bonus with pattern rules

- First dependency is assumed

```
testintmath: testintmath.o intmath.o  
          $(CC) $(CFLAGS) $< intmath.o -o $@  
testintmath.o: testintmath.c intmath.h  
intmath.o: intmath.c intmath.h
```



```
testintmath: testintmath.o intmath.o  
          $(CC) $(CFLAGS) $< intmath.o -o $@  
testintmath.o: intmath.h  
intmath.o: intmath.h
```

Can omit first dependency



Makefile Version 5

```
# Macros
CC = gcc217
# CC = gcc217m
CFLAGS =
# CFLAGS = -g
# CFLAGS = -D NDEBUG
# CFLAGS = -D NDEBUG -O

# Pattern rule
%.o: %.c
    $(CC) $(CFLAGS) -c $<

# Dependency rules for non-file targets
all: testintmath
clobber: clean
    rm -f *~ \#\*\#\#
clean:
    rm -f testintmath *.o

# Dependency rules for file targets
testintmath: testintmath.o intmath.o
    $(CC) $(CFLAGS) $< intmath.o -o $@
testintmath.o: intmath.h
intmath.o: intmath.h
```

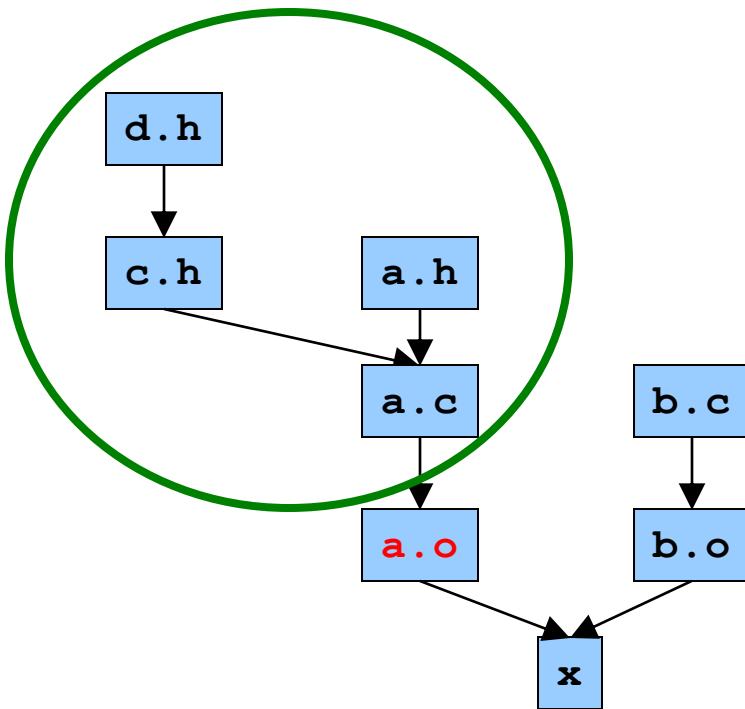


Version 5 in Action

Same as Version 2



Makefile Guidelines



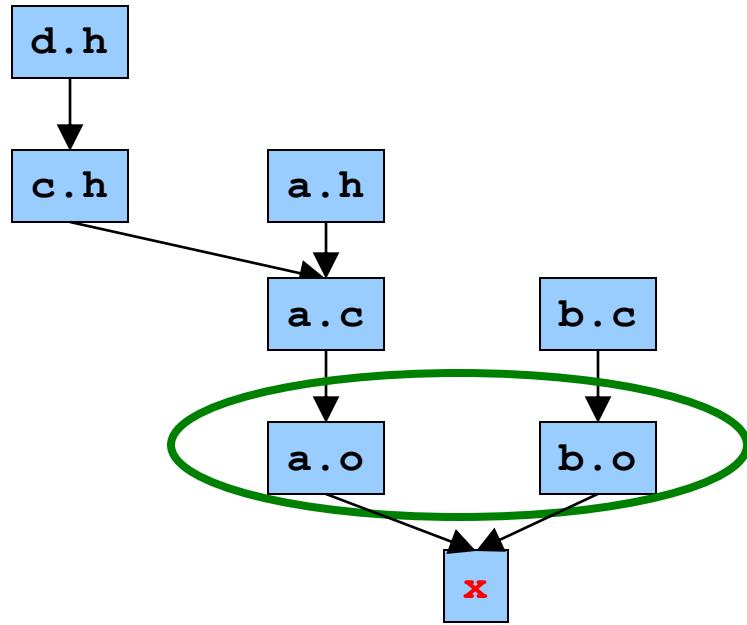
```
a.o: a.c a.h c.h d.h  
gcc217 -c a.c
```

In a proper Makefile, each object file:

- Depends upon its .c file
 - Does not depend upon any other .c file
 - Does not depend upon any .o file
- Depends upon any .h file that its .c file #includes **directly or indirectly**



Makefile Guidelines



```
x: a.o b.o  
gcc217 a.o b.o -o x
```

In a proper Makefile, each executable binary file:

- Depends upon the .o files that comprise it
- Does not depend upon any .c files
- Does not depend upon any .h files



Making Makefiles

In this course

- Create Makefiles manually

Beyond this course

- Can use tools to generate Makefiles
 - See **mkmf**, others



Makefile Gotchas

Beware:

- Each command (i.e., second line of each dependency rule) must begin with a tab character, not spaces
- Use the `rm -f` command with caution



Make Resources

C Programming: A Modern Approach (King) Section 15.4

GNU make

- <http://www.gnu.org/software/make/manual/make.html>



Summary

Motivation for Make

- Automation of partial builds

Make fundamentals (Makefile version 1)

- Dependency rules, targets, dependencies, commands

Non-file targets (Makefile version 2)

Macros (Makefile version 3)

Abbreviations (Makefile version 4)

Pattern rules (Makefile version 5)