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Definition & Use of __attribute__

- __attribute___ assigns characteristics to:
 - Function declarations
 - Variable declarations
 - > Type declarations, i.e. structure, union, enumerated types
- Syntax: __attribute__ ((attribute list))
 - > Must appear before comma, equal sign, semicolon that terminates declaration
- Examples
 - void fatal () __attribute__ ((noreturn));
 - Function declaration fatal() will not return. Ever. Ever.
 - short array[3] __attribute__ ((aligned));
 - Align array on a machine dependent boundary (in z/TPF: word boundary)
 - struct my_packed_struct { ...} __attribute__ ((__packed__));
 - Pack the structure "my_packed_struct"



Visibility support: what is it?

- Describes if & how a function is seen within & between modules.
 - ((visibility ("hidden")))
 - No other module can directly call this function
 - Can be accessed indirectly via function pointers
 - ((visibility ("internal")))
 - This function can never be called from another module
 - ((visibility ("protected")))
 - This function is visible from another module
 - But all references within the module will be bound to local function only.
 - Useful when several functions have the same name.
 - ((visibility ("default")))
 - This function is visible within the module and from any other module
- Visibility can be used as both an attribute and a compiler option.
- Visibility support included in gcc 4.0 & gcc 4.1



Visibility support: What is it used for?

- Visibility support refines the Global Offset Table (GOT) in shared objects.
 - > References that do not have to be public can remain hidden In other words,
- Visibility Support can be used to eliminate the need for export files.
 - ➤ If the shared object is made up exclusively of C/C++ programs.



Visibility support: how to use it

- For a shared object's .mak file, specify:
 - > -fvisibility=hidden
 - > -fvisibility-inlines-hidden
- No functions are visible outside the shared object!
- Add __attribute__ (((visibility("default"))) to functions that are callable from other shared objects



Visibility support: Migration & z/TPF

- To migrate from z/OS compiler & TPF4.1:
 - transmogrify "_Export" to "__attribute__((visibility("default")))"
 - You can use Toolkit single source rule OTRKYWDc
 - If using "NOEXPORTALL" functionality, in z/TPF add to .mak files:
 - -fvisibility=hidden
 - -fvisibility-inlines-hidden
 - APP_EXPORT := VISIBLE
- Remember to apply z/TPF APAR PJ31477:
 - Build tool changes will now support visibility
 - If you want to use it
 - Can also be used as a model to for source file changes:
 - Obsolete .exp files
 - Use of "__attribute__((visibility("default")))"



For More Information

- GCC has a Wiki information on all things GCC
 - http://gcc.gnu.org/wiki/HomePage
 - http://gcc.gnu.org/wiki/Visibility
- For more information on attribute
 - http://gcc.gnu.org/onlinedocs/gcc-4.0.0/gcc/Attribute-Syntax.html#Attribute-Syntax
 - http://gcc.gnu.org/onlinedocs/gcc-4.0.0/gcc/Function-Attributes.html#Function-Attributes
 - http://gcc.gnu.org/onlinedocs/gcc-4.0.0/gcc/Variable-Attributes.html#Variable-Attributes
 - http://gcc.gnu.org/onlinedocs/gcc-4.0.0/gcc/Type-Attributes.html#Type-Attributes
- "info gcc" on Linux.



z/OS compiler & z/TPF migration

- Before moving onto Linux:
- Two sets of changes will comprise majority of migration changes:
 - Constructs that syntactically changed or are no longer supported in z/TPF
 - Single Source APARs address these changes
 - IBM Toolkit's Single Source Scans can help manage the necessary changes
 - Constructs that are not ANSI standard (ISO/IEC 9899/1999 Standard)
 - z/OS V1R6.0 C/C++ Compiler or later can help manage the necessary changes
- Using z/OS compiler to manage ANSI compliance:
 - ➤ Move source code to a Unix System Services (USS) environment
 - Compile source code using compiler options:
 - LANGLVL(ANSI): -W "0,langlvl(ansi),upconv"
 - ANSIALIAS: -Wc,ANSIALIAS
 - Note: Default options for z/OS compiler differ on USS & TSO.



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ANSIALIAS | NOANSIALIAS

- The cc compiler invocation command for a regular compile in the z/OS UNIX System Services environment uses NOANSIALIAS as the default option.
- The ANSIALIAS option indicates to the compiler that the code strictly follows the type-based aliasing rules in the ISO C and C++ standards, and can therefore be compiled with higher performance optimization of the generated code. When typebased aliasing is used during optimization, the optimizer assumes that pointers can only be used to access objects of the same type. Type-based aliasing improves optimization in the following ways:
- It provides precise knowledge of the data types to which pointers can and cannot point.
- It allows more loads to memory to be moved up and stores to memory moved down past each other, which allows the delays that normally occur in the original written sequence of statements to be overlapped with other tasks. These rearrangements in the sequence of execution increase parallelism, which is desirable for optimization.
- It allows the removal of some loads and stores that otherwise might be needed in case those values were accessed by unknown pointers.
- It allows more identical calculations to be recognized ("commoning").
- It allows more calculations that do not depend on values modified in a loop to be moved out of the loop ("code motion").
- It allows better optimization of parameter usage in inlined functions.

LANGLVL(ANSI)

- Use it if you are compiling new or ported code that is ISO C/C++ compliant. It indicates language constructs that are defined by ISO. Some non-ANSI stub routines will exist even if you specify LANGLVL(ANSI), for compatibility with previous releases. The macro __ANSI__ is defined as 1 for C only. It ensures that the compilation conforms to the ISO C and C++ standards.
- The UPCONV option causes the z/OS XL C compiler only to follow unsignedness preserving rules when doing z/OS XL C type conversions; that is, when widening all integral types (char, short, int, long). Use this option when compiling older z/OS XL C programs that depend on the K&R C conversion rules.



Questions?



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PUT LEVEL	COMPILER	LINUX PLATFORM SYSTEM LEVEL
PUT 0	GCC 3.4	Red Hat Enterprise Linux 3 -or- SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 8
PUT 1	GCC 3.4	Red Hat Enterprise Linux 3 -or- SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 8
PUT 2	GCC 4.0* or GCC 3.4	Red Hat Enterprise Linux 3 -or- SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 9
PUT 3	GCC 4.1	Red Hat Enterprise Linux 4 -or- SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 9

^{*} Denotes compiler used to build OCO shared objects that were shipped on PUT



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