

Tasks

1. Pointers

- a. Declare variables `char a8, short a16, long a32, int i32, double d64`.
- b. Declare pointers `char * pa8, short * pa16, long * pa32, int * pi32, double * pd64` and initialize them with the suitable addresses e.g. use part-a's variables.
- c. Print sizes of all the variables declared in part-a and part-b using `sizeof()` instruction.

2. Pointer Initializations

For the generic pointer `void * pv` as well as the pointer declarations of Task 1-b, check following;

- a. `pa32 = NULL;`
- b. `pa32 = 0x0;`
- c. `pa32 = 1;`
- d. `pa32 = &3;`
- e. `pa32 = &(a32+3);`
- f. `pa32 = pd64 ;`
- g. `pv = pd64 ;`
- h. `pa32 = pv = pd64 ;`
- i. `*pv =234;`
- j. `pa32 = (int *) pd64 ;`

3. Pointer Arithmetic

Observe pointer variables in watch window after performing following operations on pointers of task 1-b;

- a. `pa32++;` `pa32 += 1;` `pa32 = pa32 + 16;` `pa32 -= 3;`
- b. `pa8++;` `pa8 += 1;` `pa8 = pa8 + 16;` `pa8 -= 3;`

4. Pointers & Arrays

- a. Declare `double ar[4] = { 1.0, 2, -3, 4};` and `double * par;` and then check;
 - i. `par = ar; par = &ar[2];`
 - ii. `ar[2] = par[0] + par[1];`
 - iii. `par[2] = ar[0] + *(ar+1);`
 - iv. `*par = ar[1] + ar[3];`
 - v. `*(par+2) = ar[1] + ar[3];`
 - vi. `*ar = par[1] + *(par+1);`
- b. Declare `double * const pdc = &ar[2];` and then check;
 - i. `pd++;`
 - ii. `pdc++;`
 - iii. `ar++;`
 - iv. `par++;`

5. Function parameter passing: Arrays, Pointers

- a. Write a function `swap_by_value()` which swaps 2 variables. It's prototype would look like;

```
void swap_by_value(int a, int b)
```

This function also prints the swapped values.

Moreover, also print the variables after returning from function.

- b. Do the above task again, but now by using pointer variables.

```
void swap(int * const a, int * const b)
```

- c. If point input argument is simply input, then follow following technique.

```
int dot_product(const int * const a, const int * const b)
```

6. Dynamic Memory Allocation

1. Use of `malloc()`, `calloc()` and `free()`.
2. Freeing the already freed pointer.
3. Try to allocate maximum possible size using `malloc()`.