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- Midterm next week. “Midterm” page up shortly.
- Lab 5 posted soon this week.
 - Due after midterm.
 - Good practice.

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```

printf("input name age and wage: ");
fgets(inputs[count], 50, stdin); /* read in directly. add a \n */
sscanf(inputs[count],"%s %d %f %c", name, &age, &rate, &c);

while(! strcmp(inputs[count], "quit\n")){
    sprintf(inputs[count],"%s %d %.1f\n",name,age,rate,c); //redundant
    age += 10; wage *= 1.5;
    name2[30];
    for(i=0; i< strlen(name); i++)
        name2[i] = name[i] + 1; // convert to next character
    name2[i] = '\0'; //needed!!
    ...
    char maxC = name[0];
    for(i=1; i< strlen(name); i++)
        if (name[i] > maxC) // has higher encoding in ASCII
            maxC = name[i];

    sprintf(inputs[count+1],"%s-%d-%.3f-[%d,.0f]-(%d)-'%c'\n",
            name2,age,rate, (int)floor(rate), ceil(rate), index, maxC);
    count += 2;
    fgets(inputs[count], 50, stdin); /* add a \n */
    sscanf(inputs[count],"%s %d %f", name, &age, &rate, &c);
}

```

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Either way

	Non-string (int, char, float...)	String
Read	scanf, sscanf fgets...	&x
Write	printf, sprint puts...	x

- **scanf("%s %d %f %c", name, &age, &rate, &c);**
- **sscanf(table[i], "%s %d %f %c", name, &age, &rate, &c);**
- **printf("%s %d %f %c", name, age, rate, c);**
- **sprintf(table[i], "%s %d %f %c", name, age, rate, c);**

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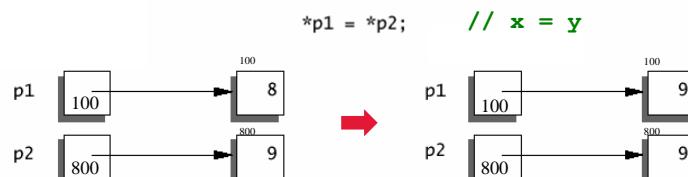
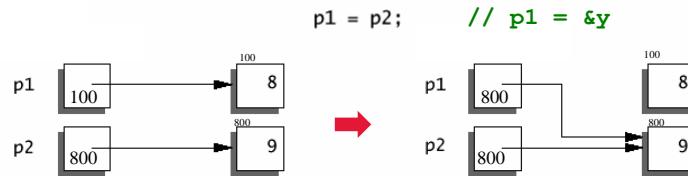
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```
int *ptr; /* I'm a pointer to an int */  
  
mnemonic:  
"expression *ptr  
is an int"  
91  
ptr  
96  
x  
  
ptr= &x; /*I got the address of rate */  
  
91  
96 → 7  
ptr x  
  
*ptr; /* dereferencing. Indirect access. Alias of x.  
Get value of the pointee x */  
  
ptr &x address of x  
*ptr x content (value) of x  
  
printf("%d", x ); // 7 direct access  
6 printf("%d", *ptr); // 7 indirect access
```

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Some example of Pointers (summary)

```
int *p1, *p2, x = 8, y = 9;
p1 = &x; p2 = &y;
```



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Precedence and Associativity p53

Operator Type	Operator	
Primary Expression Operators	() [] . ->	<code>ptr = &x;</code>
Unary Operators	<code>* & + - ! ~ ++ -- (typecast) sizeof</code>	<code>*ptr = 5;</code>
Binary Operators	<code>* / % arithmetic + - arithmetic >> << bitwise < > <= >= relational == != relational & bitwise ^ bitwise bitwise && logical logical</code>	<code>y = *ptr + 4</code> <code>ptr = &arr[0]</code> <code>No () needed</code> <code>(*p).data = x;</code> <code>() needed</code>
Ternary Operator	<code>?:</code>	
Assignment Operators	<code>= += -= *= /= %= >>= <<= &= ^= =</code>	
Comma	<code>,</code>	

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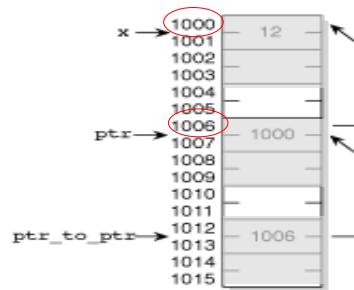
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Pointer to pointers

```
int x = 12;           1012
int *ptr;             1006 → 1000 → 12
ptr = &x;               ptr_to_ptr   ptr   x
int **ptr_to_ptr;     /* I am a pointer to pointer */
ptr_to_ptr = &ptr;      /* points to ptr */
**ptr_to_ptr = 20;     /* multiple indirection*/
```

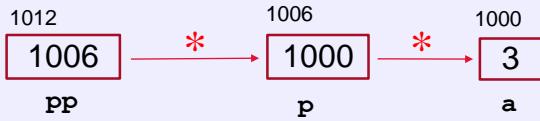
valid operations

x, &x	*x	X
ptr &ptr	*ptr	**ptr X
ptr_to_ptr &ptr_to_ptr		
*ptr_to_ptr **ptr_to_ptr		
**ptr_to_ptr == *ptr == x;		



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Multiple indirection



Consider the following code:

```
int a = 3;  
int *p = &a;  
int **pp = &p;      int ***pp = &&a; X
```

Here are how the values of these pointers equate to each other:

```
*pp == p == &a == 1000;  
***pp == **p == a == 3;
```

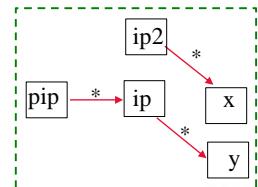
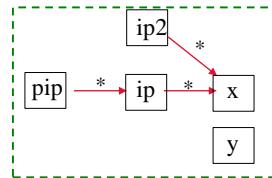
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More Examples

```
int x = 1, y = 2;  
int *ip, *ip2;  
  
ip = &x;  
  
int ***pip // I am a pointer to pointer  
pip = &ip; // pip points to ip  
  
y = ***pip; // y=x      y is now 1  
(**pip)--; // x--;    x is 0
```

```
ip = &y;  
(**pip)--; // y--      y is 0 */
```

```
ip2 = pip; ??? Not valid!  
pip = ip2; ??? Not valid!
```



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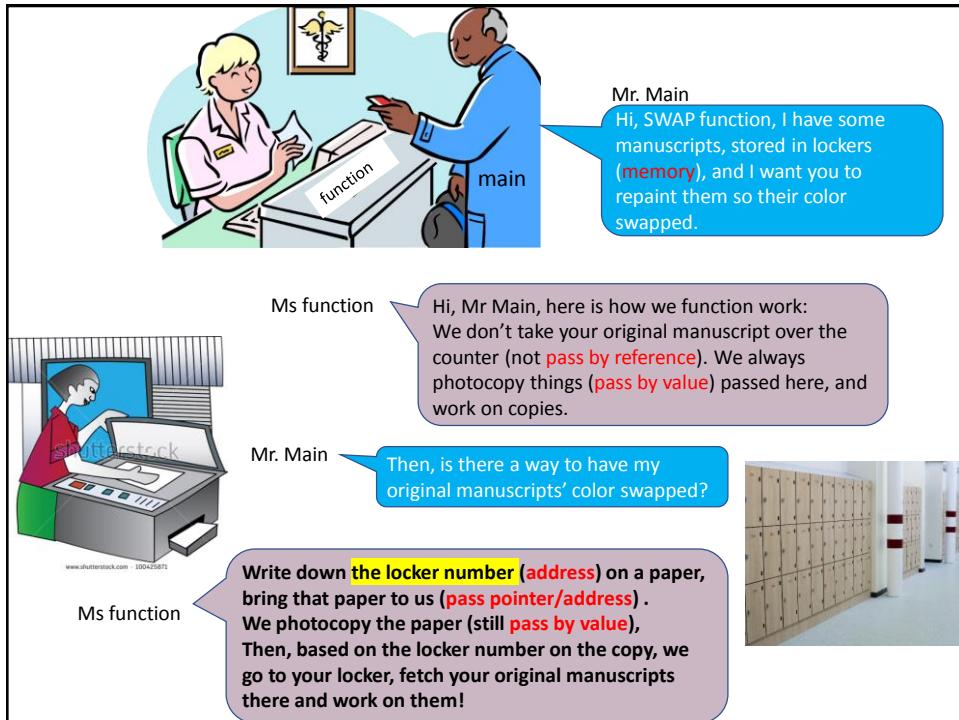
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Pointers and function arguments

- In C, all functions are **called by value**
 - Value of the arguments are passed to functions, but not the arguments themselves (i.e., not **call-by reference**)
 - How to modify the argument? swap()
 - How to pass a structure such as array?
- Modify an actual argument by **passing its address/pointer**
 - Possibly modify passed arguments via their address
 - Efficient. Input / output

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An example. Not working.

```

void increment(int x, int y)
{
    x++;
    y += 10;
}

void main( ) {
    int a=2, b=40;

    increment( a, b );
    printf("%d %d", a, b);
}

```

Pass by value !!!

x = a
y = b

running **main()**

...
int a=2
int b=40
...
int x = a= 2 →3
int y = b=40 →50
...

2 40

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The Correct Version

```
void increment(int *px, int *py)
{
    (*px)++; // *px is a
    *py += 10; // *py is b
}

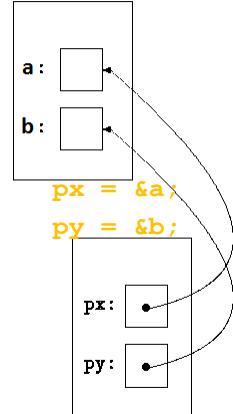
void main( )
{
    int a=2, b=40;

    increment(&a, &b);
    printf("%d %d", a, b);
}
```

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I am expecting
int pointers

in caller:



Pass by
value !!!

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The Correct Version

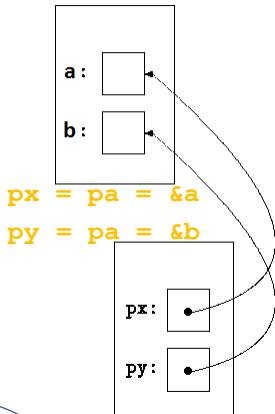
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}

void main( )
{
    int a=2, b=40;
    int *pa=&a; int *pb=&b;
    increment(pa, pb);
    printf("%d %d", a, b);
}
```

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I am expecting
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Pass
address/pointer,
another way

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The Correct Version

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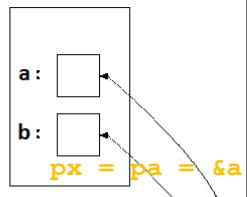
void swap(int *px, int *py)
{
    int tmp;
    tmp = *px;
    *px = *py;
    *py = tmp;
}

void main( )
{
    int a=2, b=40;
    int *pa = &a;
    int *pb = &b;
    swap(pa,pb); // or swap(&a,&b);
}

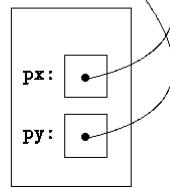
```

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in caller:



in swap:



I am expecting
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Pass by
value !!!

Another example

```

void swapIncre(int *px, int *py)
{
    int tmp;
    tmp = *px;
    *px = *py;
    *py = tmp;
    increment(px, py);
}

void increment(int *px2, int *py2)
{
    (*px2)++;
    (*py2) += 10;
}

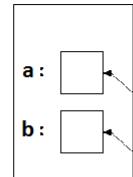
void main( )
{
    int a=2, b=40;

    swapIncre(&a, &b);
    printf("%d %d", a, b);
}

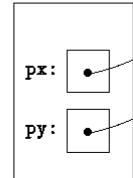
```

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in caller:



in swap:



increment(px, py);

Now understand scanf() -- more or less

```
int x=1; int y = 2;  
swap(&x,&y); increment(&x,&y);
```



```
int x; char c;  
scanf ("%d %c", &x, &c);  
printf("%d %c", x, c);
```



```
int x;  
int *px = &x;  
scanf("%d", px);  
printf("%d", *px);
```

But why array name is used directly
scanf ("%s %d", name, &age);
fgets (input, 5,stdin);
sscanf(input,"%s %d",name,&age);

explain shortly

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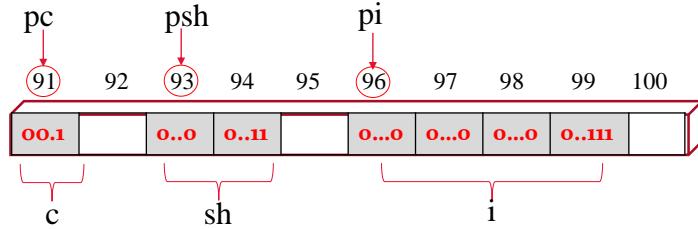
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Pointer arithmetic



- Limited math on a pointer
- Four arithmetic operators that can be applied

`+n -n ++ --`

Result is a new pointer (address)

```
int* pi=&i;//96 char* pc=&c;//91 short* psh=&sh;//93
```

`pi + 1?` 97?

`psh + 2?` 95?

`pi++?` `pc++?` `psh++?`

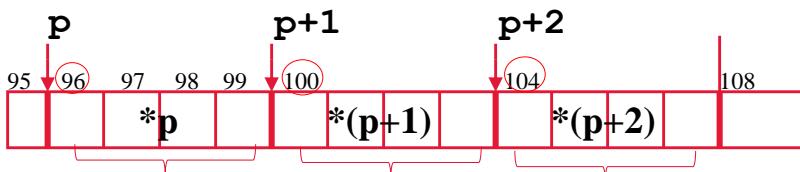


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Pointer arithmetic – scaled

- Incrementing / decrementing a pointer by n moves it n units bytes $p \pm n \rightarrow p \pm n \times \text{unit byte}$
 - value of a “unit” is based upon the size of the type
 - If p points to an integer (4 bytes), value of unit is 4
 $p + n$ advances by $n \times 4$ bytes:
$$p + 1 = 96 + 1 \times 4 = 100 \quad p + 2 = 96 + 2 \times 4 = 104$$

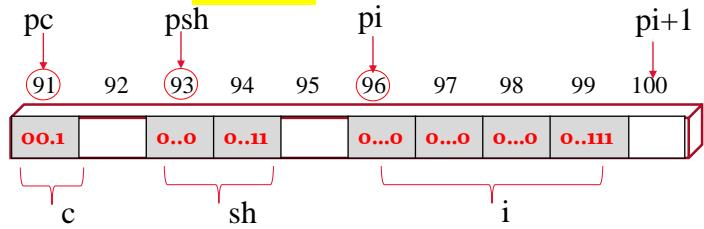


- Why would we need to move pointer? $p+1$; $p++$
- Why designed this way? “ $p+1$ is $p+4$ ”



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Pointer arithmetic -- scaled



```
int* pi=&i;//96 char *pc=&c;//91 short* psh=&sh;//93
```

pi + 1? address $96 + 1 \times 4 = 100$

pi + 2? address $96 + 2 \times 4 = 104$

psh +1? address $93 + 1 \times 2 = 95$

psh +2? address $93 + 2 \times 2 = 97$

pi ++? pc ++? psh +=3?

²⁵ pi = 96 + 4 pc = 91 + 1 psh = 93 + 3*2



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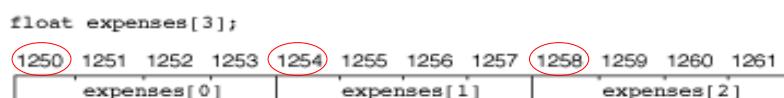
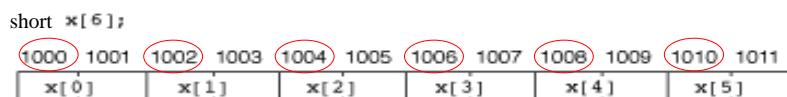
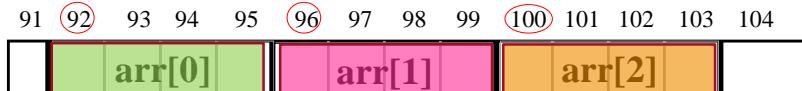
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 - Pointer arithmetic on array (extension)
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 - Pass sub_array



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Pointers and Arrays (5.3)

- Array members are next to each other in memory
 - `arr[0]` always occupies in the lowest address
 - `&arr[i+1] == &arr[i] + size of type in byte;`



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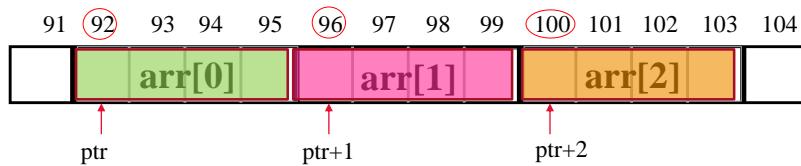
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Pointers and Arrays (5.3)

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 - arr [0] always occupies in the lowest address



```
int arr[3]; int *ptr;
ptr = &arr[0]; // 92

ptr + 1 ?      // 92+1*4= 96 == &arr[1]
ptr + 2 ?      // 92+2*4= 100 == &arr[2]
*(ptr + 2 ) ? // *&arr[2] → access arr[2]

ptr + i      == &arr[i]
*(ptr + i) == arr[i]
```

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Sum of an int array

```
#define N 10

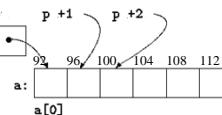
int arr[N], sum, i;
sum = 0;

for (i=0; i<N; i++)
    sum += arr[i];
```

```
ptr = &arr[0];
↓
ptr + i == &arr[i]
*(ptr+i) == arr[i]

e.g. *ptr == arr[0]
```

```
#define N 10
int arr[N], sum, i,*p;
p = &arr[0]; // 92
sum = 0;
for (i=0; i< N; i++)
    sum += *(p + i);
```



```
#define N 10
int arr[N], sum, i,*p;
p = &arr[0]; // 92
sum = 0;
for (i=0; i< N; i++){
    sum += *p;           // *p++
    p++; // advance p (by 4 bytes)
}
```

// 92 96 100 ..

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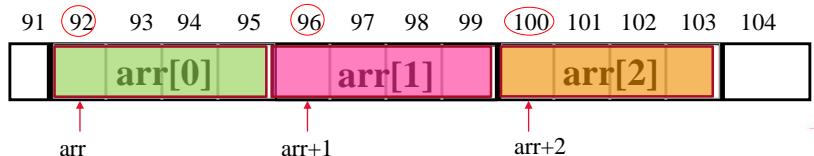
Pointers and Arrays (5.3)

- There is special relationship between pointers and arrays
- When you use array, you are using pointers!

```
int age, name[20], char c;  
scanf("%s %d %c", name, &age, &c); // &name is wrong
```

- Identifier (name) of an array is equivalent to the address of its 1st element. **arr == &arr[0]**

```
arr + 1? 92+4 == address of next element == &arr[1]  
arr + 2? 92+8 == &arr[2]  
*(arr + 2)? == *(&arr[2]) == arr[2]
```



³³ Array name can be used as a pointer. Follow pointer arithmetic rule!

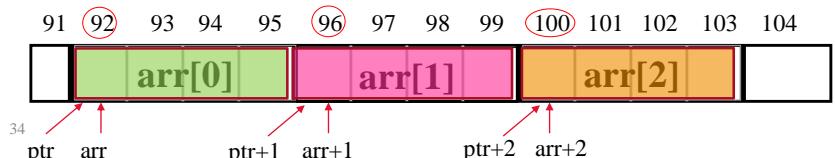
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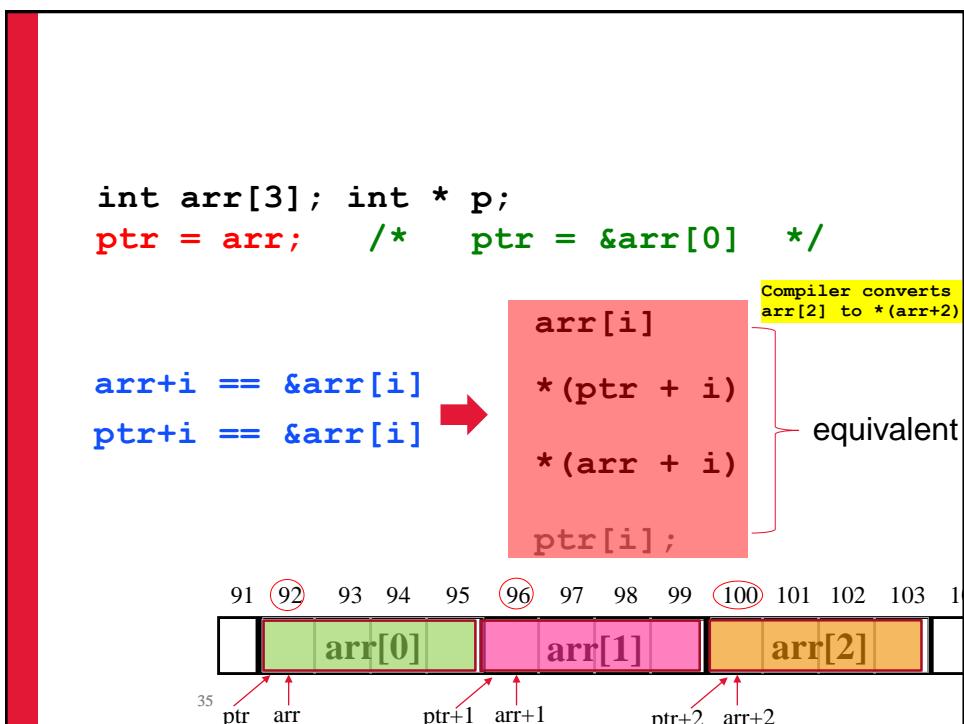
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```
*arr == *(&arr[0]) == arr[0]  
arr + i == &arr[i]  
*(arr + i) == *(&arr[i]) == arr[i]
```

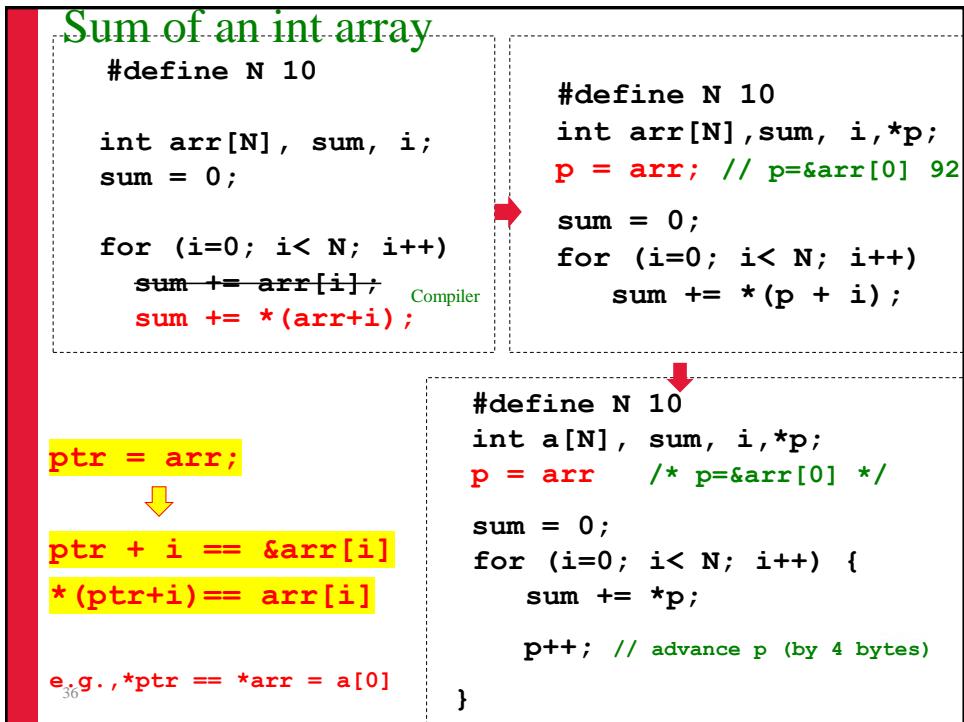
```
int arr[3];  
int * ptr;  
ptr = arr; /* == (ptr = &arr[0]) */  
ptr + i == &arr[i]  
*(ptr + i) == arr[i]
```



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Attention: Array name can be used as a pointer, but is not a pointer variable!

```
int arr[20];
int * p = arr;
```

- **p** and **arr** are equivalent in that they have the same properties: `&arr[0]`
- Difference: **p** is a **pointer variable**, **arr** is a **pointer constant**
 - we could assign another value to **p**
 - **arr** will always point to the first of the 20 integer numbers of type int. **Cannot change arr (point to somewhere else)**

<code>p = arr; /*valid*/</code>	<code>arr = p; /*invalid*/</code>
<code>p++; /*valid*/</code>	<code>arr++; /*invalid*/</code>



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```
char arr[10] = "hello";  int i;
char * p;
p = arr;      // p=&arr[0]

arr = p;      /*invalid*/
arr = &i;      /*invalid*/
arr = arr +1; /*invalid*/
arr++;        /*invalid*/

p++;          /*valid*/
p = &i;        /*valid. now points to others*/
```



```
strlen(arr); /*valid*/    sizeof arr ? 10
strlen(p);  /*valid*/    sizeof p ? 8
```



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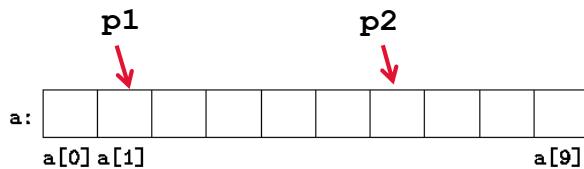
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Pointer arithmetic (revisit + extension)

- **+n -n ++ --**
- If $p1$, $p2$ points to different elements of the **same** array
 - Differencing: $p1 - p2$
result is **how far apart in term of # elements**
 - Comparison : == != > < >= <=
 $p1 < p2$ is true (1) if **$p1$ points to earlier elements than $p2$**



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Pointer arithmetic on arrays (revisit)

Adding an Integer to a Pointer $+i$

- Adding an integer i to a pointer p yields a pointer to the element i places after the one that p points to.
- More precisely, if p points to the array element $a[k]$, then $p + i$ points to $a[k+i]$.
 - If $p = \&a[k]$
 - Then $p + i == \&a[k+i]$

Special case $k=0$:

- If $p=a$
- Then $p+i==\&a[i]$



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Pointer arithmetic on arrays (revisit)

Subtracting an Integer to a Pointer $-i$

- Subtracting an integer i to a pointer p yields a pointer to the element i places before the one that p points to.
 - More precisely, if p points to the array element $a[k]$, then $p - i$ points to $a[k-i]$.
 - If $p = \&a[k]$
 - Then $p - i == \&a[k-i]$
-
- Assume that the following declarations are in effect:

```
int a[10], *p, *q, i;
```



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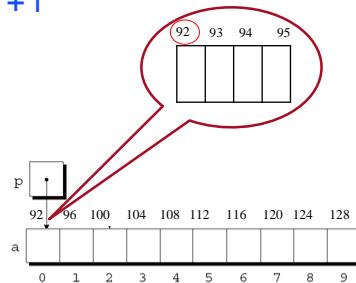
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Adding an Integer to a Pointer $p + i$

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then $p + i$ points to $a[k+i]$.

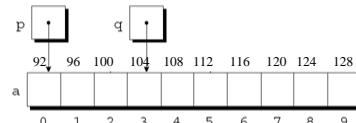
- Example of pointer addition:

$p = a; // \&a[0]; k=0$



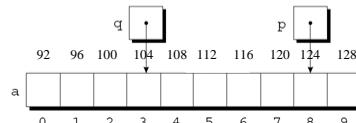
$q = p + 3; // q points to a[3]$

$p = \&a[0] = 92$
Then $q = 92 + 3 \times 4 = 104 = \&a[3]$



$p += 8; // p points to a[8]$

$p = \&a[0] = 92$
Then $p = 92 + 8 \times 4 = 124 = \&a[8]$



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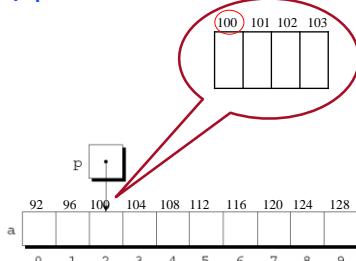
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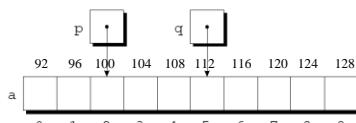
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$p = \&a[2]; // k=2$



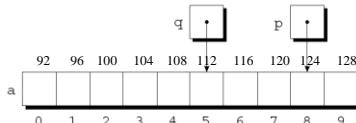
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Then $q = 100 + 3 \times 4 = 112 = \&a[5]$



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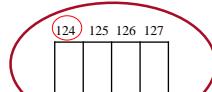
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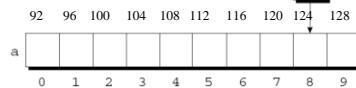
Subtracting an Integer to a Pointer $p - i$

if p points to the array element $a[k]$,
then $p - i$ points to $a[k-i]$.



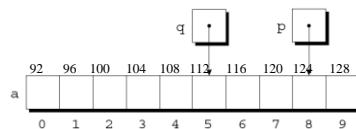
- Example:

$p = \&a[8]; // k=8$



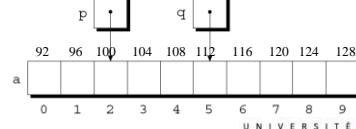
$q = p - 3; // q points to a[8-3]$

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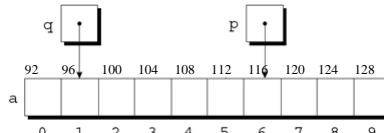


Pointer arithmetic on arrays (extended)

Subtracting One Pointer from another $p_1 - p_2$

- When one pointer is subtracted from another, the result is the **distance (measured in array elements)** between the pointers.
- If p points to $a[i]$ and q points to $a[j]$,
then $p - q$ is an integer, equal to $i - j$.

$p = \&a[6]; // 116$
 $q = \&a[1]; // 96$



$\text{int } d = p - q; // 5: (116-96)/4 = 5 == 6-1$
 $\text{int } d = q - p; // -5: (96-116)/4 = -5$



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Why designed this way?

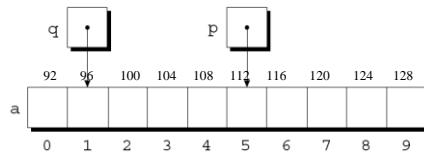


Pointer arithmetic on arrays (extended)

Comparing Pointers

- Pointers can be compared using the relational operators (`<<= >>=`) and the equality operators (`==` and `!=`).
 - Using relational operators is meaningful only for pointers to elements of the **same** array.
- The outcome of the comparison depends on the relative positions of the two elements in the array.

```
p = &a[5];  
q = &a[1];  
p <= q    is 0 "false"  
p >= q    is 1. "true"
```



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Summary of pointer arithmetic

• Legal:

- assignment of pointers of the **same type** `p2 = p1`
- adding or subtracting a pointer with an integer `p++ , p+2, p-2`
- subtracting or comparing two pointers to members of the **same array** `p2- p1, if (p1 < p2) while (p1 != p2)`
- assigning or comparing to zero (NULL)
`p = NULL` `p==NULL`



• Illegal:

- add two pointers, multiply or divide two pointers, integers
- shift or mask pointer variables `p1 <<2` `p1 | 3`
- add float or double to pointers `p1 + 1.23`
- assign a pointer of one type to a pointer of another type (except for `void *`) without a cast



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Sum of an int array

```
#define N 10

int arr[N], sum, i;
sum = 0;

for (i=0; i<N; i++)
    sum += arr[i];
    sum += *(arr+i); compiler
```

```
#define N 10
int arr[N], sum, i,*p;
p = arr; // p=&arr[0]
sum = 0;
for (i=0; i< N; i++)
    sum += *(p + i);
```

```
#define N 10
int arr[N], sum, *p;
p = arr;

sum = 0;
while( p <= arr+N-1 ) {
    sum += *p;
    p++;
}
} // no i needed
```

&arr[N-1]
Address of
last element

```
#define N 10
int arr[N], sum, i,*p;
p = arr;

sum = 0;
for( i=0;i< N; i++) {
    sum += *p;
    p++; // advance by 4
}
```

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Pointers and Arrays: an Example

```
int a[10]={3,4,5,6};
int *pa;
pa = a; // pa=&a[0]

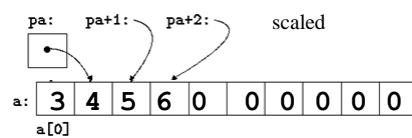
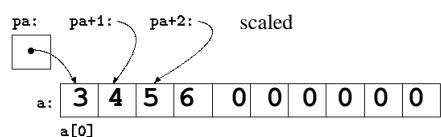
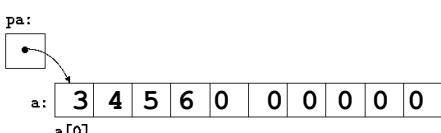
int x,y,z;

x = *pa;      // x = *a
// same as x = a[0]

y = *(pa + 1); // pa+4 a[1]
z = *(a + 2); // a[2]

pa++; // pa=&a[1]
x = *(pa+2) ?
*(pa + 3) = 200;
x:6 y:4 z:5
a:[3 4 5 6 200 0 0 ... 0]
```

a: [3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0]
a[0] a[1] a[9]



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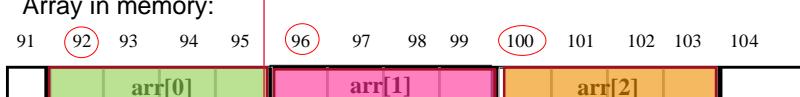
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Summary

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- Array in memory:



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Summary

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 - Array in memory:

	arr[0]	arr[1]	arr[2]	
--	--------	--------	--------	--

91 92 93 94 95 96 97 98 99 100 101 102 103 104
 - Suppose p points to array element k , then $p+1$ points to $k+1$ (next) element.
 $p+i$ points to $\text{arr}[k+i]$.
 - $p = \&\text{arr}[k]: \quad p + i == \&\text{arr}[k+i] \rightarrow * (p+i) == \text{arr}[k+i]$
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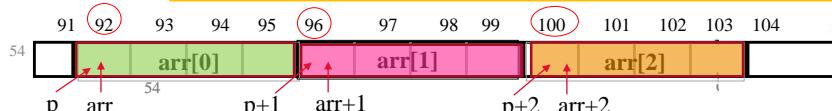
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91
92
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94
95
96
97
98
99
100
101
102
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The diagram illustrates an array `arr` with three elements: `arr[0]`, `arr[1]`, and `arr[2]`. Each element is represented by a 4-byte integer. The memory addresses of these integers are explicitly labeled above the array: 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, and 104. Red circles highlight the values at indices 0, 1, and 2. Arrows point from these highlighted values to the labels `arr[0]`, `arr[1]`, and `arr[2]` respectively.
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 - $k=0$: $p=\&\text{arr}[0]$: $p + i == \&\text{arr}[i]$ $\rightarrow *(\text{p}+i) == \text{arr}[i]$

- **Array name** contains pointer to 1st element $\text{arr} == \&\text{arr}[0]$
 - $\text{arr} == \&\text{arr}[0]$: $\text{arr} + i == \&\text{arr}[i] \rightarrow *(\text{arr} + i) == \text{arr}[i]$



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Summary

`arr` can be used as a pointer

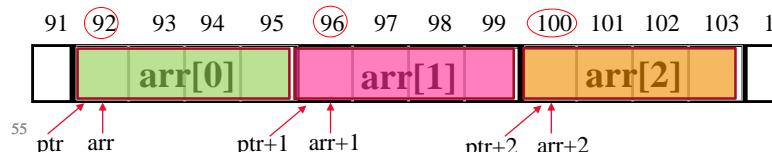
```
int arr[3]; int * p;  
ptr = arr; /* ptr = &arr[0] */
```

`arr+i == &arr[i]
ptr+i == &arr[i]`

`arr[i]
*(ptr + i)
*(arr + i)
ptr[i];`

equivalent

Compiler convert
`arr[2]` to `*(arr+2)`



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- Some interesting facts so far
 - $p + n$ is scaled “for `int * p, p+1` is `p+4`”
 - $p1 - p2$ is scaled $(116 - 96) / 4 = 5$
 - Array name contains address of its first element $a == \&a[0]$
- Why designed this way?
 - Facilitate **Passing Array to functions!**
 - We will see how.
- we will also look into, under call-by-value,
 - how array can be passed to function
 - how does `strcpy(arr, arr2)`, `strcat(arr, arr2)` etc modify argument array

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Last lecture

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Arrays Passed to a Function

a	96	97	98	99	100	101
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0 1 2 3 4 5

- The name/identifier of the array passed is actually a pointer/address to its first element. $arr == \&arr[0]$;

```
char a[20] = "Hello";
strlen(a); /* strlen(&a[0]). 96 is passed */
```
- The call to this function **does not copy the whole array itself, just a address (starting address -- a single value)** to it.
- Thus, function expecting a char array can be declared as either

```
strlen(char s[]);
or
strlen(char * s);
```

Actual prototype man 3 strlen

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String library functions

- Defined in standard library, prototype `<string.h>`
- `unsigned int strlen(char *)`
 - # of chars before first '\0'
 - not counting '\0'
- `strcpy (char * toStr, char * fromStr)`
 - `strncpy(toStr,fromStr,n)`
 - modify toStr
- `strcat(char * s1, char * s2)`
 - `strncat (s1, s2, n)`
 - modify s1
- `int strcmp(char * s1, char * s2)`
 - `strcmp(s1,s2,n)`

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Other String process library functions

- Defined in standard library, prototype `<stdlib.h>`
- `int atoi(char *)`
- `long atol(char *)`
- `double atof(char *)`

```
char arr[] = "134";
int a = atoi(arr)
```

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Function processing general arrays

Description

The C library function **qsort** sorts an array.

Declaration

```
void qsort (void *base, size_t nitems, size_t size, int (*compar)(const void *, const void*))
```

Parameters

- **base** – This is the pointer to the first element of the array to be sorted.
- **nitems** – This is the number of elements in the array pointed by base.
- **size** – This is the size in bytes of each element in the array.
- **compar** – This is the function that compares two elements.

Description

The C library function **bsearch** searches an array of **nitems** objects

Declaration

```
void * bsearch (const void *key, const void *base, size_t nitems, size_t size, int (*compar)(const void *, const void *))
```

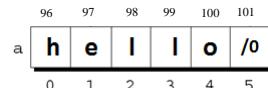
Parameters

- **key** – This is the pointer to the object that serves as key for the search, type-casted as a void*
- **base** – This is the pointer to the first object of the array where the search is performed, type-casted as a void*.
- **nitems** – This is the number of elements in the array pointed by base.
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For your information

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```

Actual prototype man 3 strlen

- The call to this function does not copy the whole array itself, just a address (starting address -- a single value) to it.

```
char a[20] = "Hello";
char * ps = a;
strlen(a); /* strlen(&a[0]). 96 is passed */
strlen(ps);
```

“decay”

Pass by value: 96 is passed and copied to s

s = a = &a[0] //s is a local pointer variable

s = ps = a = &a[0] // in function

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Arrays Passed to a Function

- Thus, function expecting a char array can be declared as either

```
strcpy(char dest[], char src[]);
```

or

```
strcpy(char * dest, char * src);
```

Actual prototype man 3
strcpy

- The call to this function does not copy the whole array itself, just a address (*starting address -- a single value*) to it.

```
char a[20];  char b[20] = "hi";  
char * ptrA = a; char * ptrB = b;
```

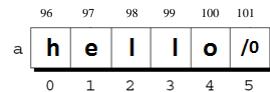
“decay”

```
strcpy(a, b) /* strcpy(&a[0], &b[0]) */  
strcpy(ptrA, ptrB);
```

```
scanf("%s", a);      printf("%s", a);  
scanf("%s", ptrA);  printf("%s", ptrA);
```

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Arrays Passed to a Function



- Arrays passed to a function are passed by starting address.
- The name/identifier of the array passed is treated as a pointer to its first element. arr = &arr[0];

“decay”

By passing an array by a pointer (its starting address)

1. Array can be passed (efficiently)

- a single value (e.g, 96, no matter how long array is)

2. Argument array can be modified

- no & needed

```
strcpy(arr, "hello");  
scanf("%s %d %f %c", arr, &age, &rate, &c);
```

```
sscanf(table[i], "%s %d %f %c", name, &age, &rate, &c)
```

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Examples using prior knowledge

Computing String Lengths -- Access argument array

```
int strlen(char *s) //s = arr == &arr[0] 96 passed by value
{
    int n=0;
    while (*(s+n) != '\0')
    {
        n++;
    }
    return n;
}
```

```
int strlen(char s[])
{
    int n=0;
    while (s[n] != '\0')
    {
        n++;
    }
    return n;
}
```

```
char * ptr = arr;
strlen(arr); /* s==arr==&arr[0]. arr 'decayed' to 96 */
strlen(ptr); /* s== ptr == arr == &arr[0] */
```

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Function receives a single address value.
Does not know/care if it an array or not

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Examples using prior knowledge

Computing String Lengths -- another version

```
/* move the pointer s */
int strlen(char *s) /* s = arr == &arr[0] 96 passed */
{
```

int n =0;

while (*s != '\0') {

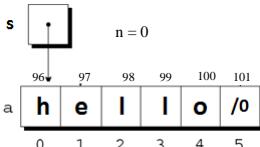
n++;

s++; // move s (by 1), jumping to next element of arr

}

return n;

}



Function receives a single address value.
Does not know/care if it an array or not

```
char * p = arr;
strlen(arr); /* s==arr==&arr[0] */
strlen(ptr); /* s== ptr == arr == &arr[0] */
```

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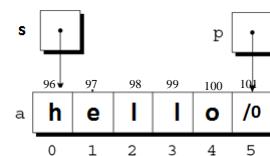
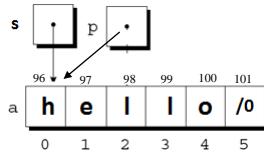
Computing String Lengths -- 'cool' version A

```
/* strlen: return length of string s */
int strlen(char *s)
{
    char *p = s;
    while (*p != '\0')
        p++;
    return p - s; // how far apart? (101-96)/1=5
}



Don't need n, n++, potentially faster


```



```
char * p = arr;
strlen(arr);
strlen(ptr);
```



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Examples using prior knowledge

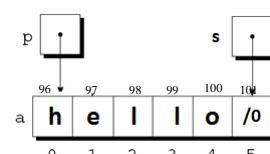
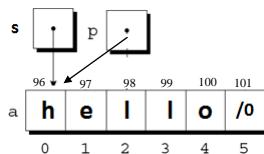
Computing String Lengths -- 'cool' version B

```
/* strlen: return length of string s */
int strlen(char *s)
{
    char *p = s;
    while (*s != '\0')
        s++;
    return s - p; // or abs(p-s) how far apart? (101-96)/1=5
}



Don't need n, n++, potentially faster


```



```
char * p = arr;
strlen(arr);
strlen(ptr);
```



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Examples using prior knowledge

Modify argument arrays

```
int processArr(char *s) // s=arr == &arr[0] call by value
{ int i=0;
  int len = strlen(s)
  while ( i < len)
  {
    *(s+i)='X';
    i++;
  }
}
```

↓

```
int processArr(char *s)
{
  int i=0;
  while ( *(s+i) != '\0')
  {
    *(s+i)='X';
    i++;      No strlen()
  }          Traverse just once
}
```

compiler ↪

```
void processArr(char s[])
{
  int i=0;
  int len=strlen(s);
  while ( i< len)
  {
    s[i] = 'X';
    i++;
  }          // s[i++]='X';
}
```

↑

```
int processArr(char *s)
{
  while ( *s != '\0' ){
    *s = 'X';
    s++;
  }
}
```

Move s, no i

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copy strings – access one, modify one

```
/* strcpy: copy two strings */
void strcpy(char *dest, char *src) /* or (char s[]) */
{
  while (1){
    *dest = *src;
    if (*dest == '\0')
      return;
    src++;
    dest++;
  }
}

void strcpy(char *dest, char *src)
{
  while ( (*src = *dest) != '\0')
  { src++; dest++; }
```

↓ Another way writing

```
void stringcopy(char dest [], char src [])
{
  int i=0;
  while (1){
    dest[i] = src[i];      *(dest+i)=*(src+i)
    if (src[i] == '\0')
      break;              \0 is also copied
    i++;
  }
}
```

Compiler:

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 - Stored consecutively
 - Pointer to array elements $p + i = \&a[i]$ $*(p+i) = a[i]$
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 - Pass sub_array



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Passing Sub-arrays to Functions

- It is possible to pass part of an array to a function, by **passing a pointer to the beginning of the sub-array**.

```
my_func( int arr[ ] ) { ... }
```

or

```
my_func( int *arr ) { ... }
```

caller

```
my_func(&a[5])
```

or

```
my_func(a + 5)
```

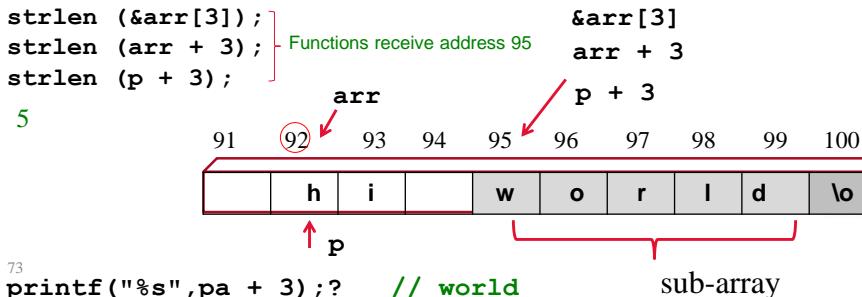


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Passing Sub-arrays to Functions

- It is possible to pass part of an array to a function, by passing a pointer to the beginning of the sub-array.

```
char arr[20] = "hi world";
char * p = arr; // &arr[0]
strlen(p);
strlen(arr); } Functions receive address 92
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```



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Passing Subarrays to Functions -- Recursion



```
int length (String s) // Java
    if ( s.equals("") ) contains no letter)
        return 0;
    return 1 + length(s.substring(1));
}
```

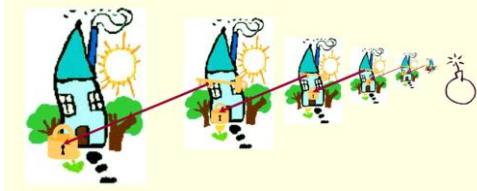
```
length("ABCD")
= 1 + length("BCD")
= 1 + ( 1 + length("CD"))
= 1 + ( 1 + ( 1 + length("D")))
= 1 + ( 1 + ( 1 + (1+length("")))
= 1 + ( 1 + ( 1 + (1+(1+0))))
```

C version?

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Passing Subarrays to Functions -- Recursion



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```

length("ABCD")
= 1 + length("BCD")
= 1 + (1 + length("CD"))
= 1 + (1 + (1 + length("D")))
= 1 + (1 + (1 + (1+length(""))))
= 1 + (1 + (1 + (1+ (1+0)))) = 4
    
```

```

int main(){
    char s[] = "ABCD";
    int len = length(s);
    printf("%d",len); // 4
}

int length(char * c){
    if (*c == '\0')
        return 0;
    else
        return 1 + length(c + 1);
}
    
```

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Array Arguments (Summary)

“decay”

- The fact that an array argument is passed by a pointer (its starting address) has some important consequences.
- Consequence 1:**
 - Due to ‘pass by value’, when an ordinary variable is passed to a function, its value is copied; any changes to the corresponding parameter don’t affect the variable.
 - In contrast, by passing array by pointer, argument array can be modified

```

void processArr(chars[])
strcpy (message, "hello");
scanf ("%s", message);
    
```

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Pointers and arrays (Summary)

- **Consequence 2:**
 - The time required to pass an array to a function doesn't depend on the size of the array. There's no penalty for passing a large array, **since no copy of the array is made.**
- **Consequence 3:**
 - An array parameter can be declared as a pointer if desired.

```
strlen (char * s)  
processArr(int *s)
```
- **Consequence 4:**
 - A function with an array parameter can be passed an array "slice" — substring

```
strlen (&a[6]),  
strlen (a + 6)
```



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Array Arguments (Summary)

“decay”

- An array argument is passed by a pointer (its starting address). Thus the called function just receives an single address, **has no view of the whole array**
 - efficient
- Then how does the function know where to stop?
- For char [], rely on '\0', but how about general arrays?



```
// find the max value in the array  
int findMax (int c[]){ // (int * c)
```

}



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General array as function argument

- Pass an array / string by only the address / pointer of the first element
 - `strlen("Hello")`;
- You need to take care of where the array ends, the function does not know if it is an array or just a pointer to char/int
- Two possible approaches:
 1. Special token/sentinel/terminator at the end (case of "string" '\0')
 2. Pass the length as another parameter

Function: `arrayLen(int *)` `arraySum(int *)`
`findMax(int *)`

Caller: `int a[20]; arrLen(a); arraySum(a);`
`findMax(a);`



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```
int main(){
    int arr [] = {1,2,3,4,5,6};
    int siz = sizeof(arr); // 6*4=24
    int len = sizeof(arr)/sizeof(int); // 24/4 = 6: 😊
    ...
}

/* find max in the int array */
int findMax (int c[]){ // (int * c)

    int len = sizeof(c)/sizeof(int); // 8/4=2 ✗
    int max = c[0]; i=1;
    while ( i < len ){
        if (c[i]> max)
            max = c[i]
        i++;
    }
    return max;
}
```



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strlen(char *) **arrayLen(int *, int n)**

Mr. Main:
Hi, Mrs binding function, I have some manuscripts, stored in lockers (memory), and I need you to bind them into a book. Could I bring the manuscripts to you?

Ms function:
Hi, Mr Main, here is how we work:
First, we don't take your original manuscript (not **pass by reference**). We always photocopy things (**call by value**), and work on copies.
Second, we only photocopy one paper a time(a single value)

Mr. Main:
Then, is there a way to have my original papers bound by you?

Ms function:
Write down the locker number (starting **address**) on a paper, bring that paper to us (**pass pointer/address**), we photocopy the paper (still **pass by value**), Then, based on the locker number on the copy, we go to your locker, fetch your original manuscripts there and bind them!

Mr. Main:
My manuscripts are in multiple (consecutive) lockers

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```

int main(){
    int arr [] = {1,2,3,4,5,6};
    int siz = sizeof(arr); // 6*4=24
    int len = sizeof(arr)/sizeof(int); // 24/4 = 6;

    a = findMax(arr, len);
    ...
}

/* find max in the int array. */
int findMax (int c[], int leng){
    int max = c[0]; i=1;
    while ( i < leng )
        if (c[i]> max)
            max = c[i]
        i++;
    return max;
}

```

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```

int main(){
    int arr [] = {1,2,3,4,5,6};
    int siz = sizeof(arr); // 6*4=24
    int len = sizeof(arr)/sizeof(int); // 24/4 = 6;

    a = findMax(arr, len);
    ...
}

/* Pointer version */
int findMax (int *c, int leng){
    int max = *c; // c[0]
    int i=1;
    while ( i < leng )                                ← compiler
        if (*c+i) > max
            max = *(c+i)
        i++;
    return max;
}

```

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```

int main(){
    int arr [] = {1,2,3,4,5,6};
    int siz = sizeof(arr); // 6*4=24
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    a = findMax(arr, len);
    ...
}

/* Pointer version */
int findMax (int *c, int leng){
    int max = *c; // c[0]
    int i=1;
    while ( i < leng )
        if (*c > max)
            max = *c;
        c++; // c advances 4, pointing to next element
    return max;
}

```

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Function processing general arrays

Description

The C library function **qsort** sorts an array.

Declaration

```
void qsort (void *base, size_t nitems, size_t size, int (*compar)(const void *, const void *))
```

Parameters

- **base** – This is the pointer to the first element of the array to be sorted.
- **nitems** – This is the number of elements in the array pointed by base.
- **size** – This is the size in bytes of each element in the array.
- **compar** – This is the function that compares two elements.

Description

The C library function **bsearch** searches an array of **nitems** objects

Declaration

```
void * bsearch (const void *key, const void *base, size_t nitems, size_t size, int (*compar)(const void *, const void *))
```

Parameters

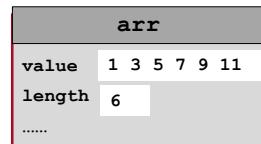
- **key** – This is the pointer to the object that serves as key for the search, type-casted as a void*.
- **base** – This is the pointer to the first object of the array where the search is performed, type-casted as a void*.
- **nitems** – This is the number of elements in the array pointed by base.
- **size** – This is the size in bytes of each element in the array.
- **compar** – This is the function that compares two elements.

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Java avoids the hassle

```
public static void main(String[] args)
{
    int arr [] = {1,3,5,7,9,11};
    int a = findMax(arr);
    ...
}
```



```
/* find max in the int array */
public static int findMax (int c[]){
    int max = c[0]; i=1;
    while ( i < c.length ) {
        if (c[i] > max)
            max = c[i]
        i++;
    }
    return max;
}
```

pass starting address
(still call by value)

Starting locker has extra info: next 6 lockers

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“Pointers” in Java

- No pointer accessible for primitive data types; `swap(&a,&b)` Not possible in Java
- For arrays and objects, by “pointer” (reference) automatically!
 - Like pass array in C
- No dereference `* student`
- No address arithmetic

```
int strlen(char *s)
{    char * p = s;
    while ( *p != '\0')
        p++;
    return p - s;
}
```
- Safer, easier -- you don't need to worry about low level
- Slower (among other reasons)

Not possible in Java

For your information

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Pointers K&R Ch 5

- Basics: Declaration and assignment
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 - Array name contains address of 1st element `a = &a[0]`
 - Pointer arithmetic on array (extension) `p1-p2` `p1<>!>p2`
 - Array as function argument – “decay”
 - Pass `sub_array`
- Arrays of pointers
- Command line argument
- Pointer to arrays and two dimensional arrays
- Pointer to functions
- Pointer to structures
- Memory allocation
- file IO

After midterm



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- Written midterm next week in class
- “Midterm” page on course website soon
- What we have done so far?

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What we have done so far

- Type, operators and expressions (Ch 2) :
 - Types and sizes
 - Basic types, their size and constant values (literals)
 - ✓ char: $x \geq 'a' \ \&\ & x \leq 'z'$; $x \geq '0' \ \&\ & x \leq '9'$ *avoid $x \geq 48 \ \&\ & x \leq 57$*
 - ✓ int: 122, 0122, 0x12F convert between Decimal, Bin, Oct, Hex
 - Arrays (one dimension) and strings (Ch 1.6, 1.9)
 - ✓ "hello" has size 6 byte `h e l l o \0`
 - Expressions
 - Basic operators (arithmetic, relational and logical)
 - ✓ $y = x++$; $y = ++x$
 - ✓ $!0 \ !-3$ if ($x = 2$)
 - Type conversion and promotion $9/2 * 2.0 \ 2.0 * 9/2$ int $i = 3.4$
 - Other operators (bitwise, bit shifting, compound assignment, conditional)
 - ✓ Bit: $|$, $\&$, \sim , \wedge , $<<$, $>>$
 - ✓ Compound: $x += 10$; $x >= 10$; $x += y + 3$
 - Precedence of operators flag $| 1 << 3$
- ⁹⁰ Functions and Program Structure (Ch 4)

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What we have done so far

Ch 4

- C program structure, functions
 - Multiple files
 - Communication by global variables
 - “Call by value” increment() swap()
- Categories, scope and life time, initialization of variables (and functions)
 - global and local variables
 - static
- C Preprocessing
 - #include, #define
- Recursion

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What we have done so far

K&R Ch 4, Appendix B

- Other C materials before pointer
 - Common library functions [Appendix of K&R]
 - 2D array, string manipulations
 - sscanf, sprintf,
 - fgets, fputs

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What we have done so far

K&R Ch 5 Pointers

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