

CS241 - Intro to C

This week we are going in depth about strings, arrays, and structs, more on the first two.

Pointer Arithmetic

When you add x to a pointer, C takes the base type of the pointer and moves the pointer $\text{sizeof}(\text{basetype}) * x$ bytes.

Given the following addresses:

```
int *int_array = (int *)0x100;
char **string_array = (char **)0x200;
string_array[0] == (char *)0x300;
string_array[1] == (char *)0x400;
sizeof(int) == 4
sizeof(char*) == 8
sizeof(char) == 1 //but you knew that...
```

Write out the following addresses:

```
▪ int_array + 3 == 0x
string_array + 2 == 0x
string_array[0] + 5 == 0x
string_array[2] + 10 == 0x
```

What does the memory look like?

This exercise is to help you build a mental model of what the memory looks like. Draw out the memory in boxes. For example

```
char *example = malloc(6); //Address 0xF00
strcpy(example, "camel");
```

example =

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(There is no hard and fast rule about the format, whatever makes the most sense to you).

```
char** first_name = malloc(3*sizeof(char *));
//Address 0x100
```

▪ first_name =

first_name[0] =

first_name[1] =

```
first_name[0] = malloc(7); //Address 0x200
first_name[1] = NULL;
```

▪ first_name =

first_name[0] =

first_name[1] =

```
strcpy(first_name[0], "bhuvan");
```

▪ first_name =

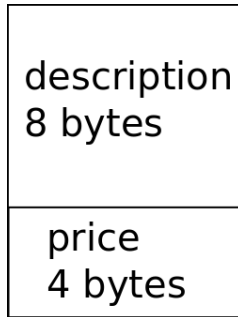
first_name[0] =

first_name[1] =

A bit about structs

In this section we will give you a struct and you'll have to draw it out in memory

```
struct product{  
    char* description;  
    float price;  
};
```



```
struct shelf{  
    product items[2];  
    char* description;  
};
```

```
struct aisle{  
    shelf *shelves;  
    size_t num_shelves;  
};
```

```
struct store{  
    aisle *aisles;  
    size_t num_aisles;  
    int store_code;  
    char *name;  
    char *description;  
};
```