Review

- More about Pointers
 - Pointers to Pointers
 - Pointer Arrays
 - Multidimensional Arrays
- Data Structures
 - Stacks
 - Queues
 - Application: Calculator

- struct structure containing one or multiple fields, each with its own type (or compound type)
 - size is combined size of all the fields, padded for byte alignment
 - anonymous or named
- union structure containing one of several fields, each with its own type (or compound type)
 - · size is size of largest field
 - · anonymous or named
- Bit fields structure fields with width in bits
 - · aligned and ordered in architecture-dependent manner
 - · can result in inefficient code

Consider this compound data structure:

```
struct foo {
    short s;
    union {
        int i;
        char c;
    } u;
    unsigned int flag_s : 1;
    unsigned int flag_u : 2;
    unsigned int bar;
};
```

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- Answer: order from largest to smallest:

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} u;
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  unsigned int flag_u : 2;
};
sizeof(struct foo) = 12
```

Review: Linked lists and trees

- Linked list and tree dynamically grow as data is added/removed
- Node in list or tree usually implemented as a struct
- Use malloc(), free(), etc. to allocate/free memory dynamically
- Unlike arrays, do not provide fast random access by index (need to iterate)

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Pointer review

- Pointer represents address to variable in memory
- Examples:

```
int *pn; - pointer to int
struct div_t * pdiv; - pointer to structure div_t
```

Addressing and indirection:

```
double pi = 3.14159;
double *ppi = π
printf("pi = %g\n", *ppi);
```

 Today: pointers to pointers, arrays of pointers, multidimensional arrays

Pointers to pointers

- · Address stored by pointer also data in memory
- Can address location of address in memory pointer to that pointer

```
int n = 3;
int *pn = &n; /* pointer to n */
int **ppn = &pn; /* pointer to address of n */
```

• Many uses in C: pointer arrays, string arrays

Pointer pointers example

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How does it compare to the familiar version of swap?

```
void swap(int *a, int *b) {
  int temp = *a;
  *a = *b;
  *b = temp;
}
```

Pointer arrays

- Pointer array array of pointers
 int *arr[20]; an array of pointers to int's
 char *arr[10]; an array of pointers to char's
- Pointers in array can point to arrays themselves
 char *strs[10]; an array of char arrays (or strings)

Pointer array example

- Have an array int arr[100]; that contains some numbers
- Want to have a sorted version of the array, but not modify arr
- Can declare a pointer array int * sorted_array[100]; containing pointers to elements of arr and sort the pointers instead of the numbers themselves
- Good approach for sorting arrays whose elements are very large (like strings)

Pointer array example

Insertion sort:

Pointer array example

Insertion sort (continued):

```
/* iterate until out-of-order element found;
    shift the element, and continue iterating */
void insertion_sort(void) {
    unsigned int i, len = array_length(arr);
    for (i = 1; i < len; i++)
        if (*sorted_array[i] < *sorted_array[i-1])
            shift_element(i);
}</pre>
```

String arrays

- An array of strings, each stored as a pointer to an array of chars
- Each string may be of different length

```
char str1[] = "hello"; /* length = 6 */
char str2[] = "goodbye"; /* length = 8 */
char str3[] = "ciao"; /* length = 5 */
char * strArray[] = {str1, str2, str3};
```

 Note that strArray contains only pointers, not the characters themselves!

Multidimensional arrays

- C also permits multidimensional arrays specified using [] brackets notation:
 int world[20][30]; is a 20x30 2-D array of int's
- Higher dimensions possible:
 char bigcharmatrix [15][7][35][4]; what are the dimensions of this?
- Multidimensional arrays are rectangular; pointer arrays can be arbitrary shaped

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More data structures

- · Last time: linked lists
- Today: stack, queue
- Can be implemented using linked list or array storage

The stack

- Special type of list last element in (push) is first out (pop)
- · Read and write from same end of list
- The stack (where local variables are stored) is implemented as a *gasp* stack

Stack as array

- Store as array buffer (static allocation or dynamic allocation):
 int stack buffer[100];
- Elements added and removed from end of array; need to track end:

```
int itop = 0; /* end at zero => initialized for empty stack */
```

Stack as array

Add element using void push(int);

```
void push(int elem) {
  stack_buffer[itop++] = elem;
}
```

• Remove element using int pop(void);

```
int pop(void) {
  if (itop > 0)
    return stack_buffer[--itop];
  else
    return 0; /* or other special value */
}
```

 Some implementations provide int top(void); to read last (top) element without removing it

Stack as linked list

Store as linked list (dynamic allocation):

```
struct s_listnode {
   int element;
   struct s_listnode * pnext;
};
struct s_listnode * stack_buffer = NULL; - start empty
```

"Top" is now at front of linked list (no need to track)

Stack as linked list

• Add element using void push(int);
void push(int elem) {
 struct s_listnode *new_node = /* allocate new node */
 (struct s_listnode *) malloc(sizeof(struct s_listnode))
 new_node->pnext = stack_buffer;
 new_node->element = elem;
 stack_buffer = new_node;

Adding an element pushes back the rest of the stack

Stack as linked list

Remove element using int pop(void);

```
int pop(void) {
   if (stack_buffer) {
      struct s_listnode *pelem = stack_buffer;
      int elem = stack_buffer->element;
      stack_buffer = pelem->pnext;
      free(pelem); /* remove node from memory */
      return elem;
   } else
      return 0; /* or other special value */
}
```

 Some implementations provide int top(void); to read last (top) element without removing it

The queue

- Opposite of stack first in (enqueue), first out (dequeue)
- · Read and write from opposite ends of list
- Important for UIs (event/message queues), networking (Tx, Rx packet queues)
- Imposes an ordering on elements

- Again, store as array buffer (static or dynamic allocation);
 float queue_buffer[100];
- Elements added to end (rear), removed from beginning (front)
- Need to keep track of front and rear:
 int ifront = 0, irear = 0;
- Alternatively, we can track the front and number of elements:

```
int if ront = 0, icount = 0;
```

We'll use the second way (reason apparent later)

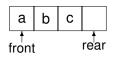
Add element using void enqueue(float);

```
void enqueue(float elem) {
  if (icount < 100) {
    queue_buffer[ifront+icount] = elem;
    icount++;
  }
}</pre>
```

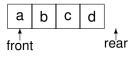
Remove element using float dequeue(void);

```
float dequeue(void) {
   if (icount > 0) {
      icount--;
      return queue_buffer[ifront++];
   } else
      return 0.; /* or other special value */
}
```

• This would make for a very poor queue! Observe a queue of capacity 4:

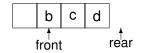


• Enqueue 'd' to the rear of the queue:



The queue is now full.

• Dequeue 'a':



- Enqueue 'e' to the rear: where should it go?
- Solution: use a circular (or "ring") buffer
 - \bullet $\ \prime \in \prime$ would go in the beginning of the array

- Need to modify void enqueue(float); and float dequeue(void);
- New void enqueue(float);:

```
void enqueue(float elem) {
  if (icount < 100) {
    queue_buffer[(ifront+icount) % 100] = elem;
    icount++;
  }
}</pre>
```

New float dequeue(void);:

```
float dequeue(void) {
   if (icount > 0) {
      float elem = queue_buffer[ifront];
      icount--;
      ifront++;
      if (ifront == 100)
          ifront = 0;
      return elem;
   } else
      return 0.; /* or other special value */
}
```

 Why would using "front" and "rear" counters instead make this harder?

Queue as linked list

Store as linked list (dynamic allocation):

```
struct s_listnode {
  float element;
   struct s_listnode * pnext;
};
struct s_listnode *queue_buffer = NULL; - start empty
```

- Let front be at beginning no need to track front
- Rear is at end we should track it: struct s_listnode *prear = NULL;

Queue as linked list

Add element using void enqueue(float);

```
void enqueue(float elem) {
    struct s_listnode *new_node = /* allocate new node */
        (struct s_listnode *) malloc(sizeof(struct s_listnode))
    new_node->element = elem;
    new_node->pnext = NULL; /* at rear */
    if (prear)
        prear ->pnext = new_node;
    else /* empty */
        queue_buffer = new_node;
    prear = new_node;
}
```

 Adding an element doesn't affect the front if the queue is not empty

Queue as linked list

Remove element using float dequeue(void);

```
float dequeue(void) {
   if (queue_buffer) {
      struct s_listnode *pelem = queue_buffer;
      float elem = queue_buffer->element;
      queue_buffer = pelem->pnext;
      if (pelem == prear) /* at end */
            prear = NULL;
      free(pelem); /* remove node from memory */
      return elem;
   } else
   return 0.; /* or other special value */
}
```

 Removing element doesn't affect rear unless resulting queue is empty

Summary

Topics covered:

- Pointers to pointers
 - · pointer and string arrays
 - multidimensional arrays
- Data structures
 - · stack and queue
 - · implemented as arrays and linked lists