Program memory: pointers

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Announcements

• Project 1 Part B due next Thursday (September 30)

Pointers

Q1: Write a snippet of code that:

- 1. Declares a char variable called orig and initializes it with the value 'A'
- 2. Declares and initializes a pointer called ptr that points to orig
- 3. Uses the pointer to update the value stored in orig to 'B'

Q2: What is the output of this program? — draw a memory diagram to help

```
int main() {
    int a = 1;
    int b = 2;
    char c = 'C';
    int *x = &a;
    int *y = \&b;
    char *z = \&c;
    printf("%d %d %c\n", *x, *y, *z);
    *x += 1;
    b += 2;
    *z = 'D';
    printf("%d %d %c\n", *x, *y, *z);
    printf("%d %d %c\n", a, b, c);
    x = y;
    *x += 10;
    a += 20;
    printf("%d %d\n", *x, *y);
    printf("%d %d\n", a, b);
}
```

Pointers as parameters

Example

```
void value(int a) {
    a = 2;
}
void pointer(int *b) {
    *b = 3;
}
int main() {
    int v = 1;
    int *p = &v;
    value(v);
    printf("%d\n", v);
    pointer(p);
    printf("%d\n", v);
}
```

Q4: What is the output of this program?

```
void copy1(int a, int b) {
   a = b;
}
void copy2(int *c, int *d) {
   c = d;
}
void copy3(int *e, int *f) {
    *e = *f;
}
int main() {
   int q = 1;
   int r = 2;
    copy1(q, r);
   int s = 3;
    int t = 4;
    copy2(&s, &t);
    int u = 5;
    int v = 6;
    copy3(&u, &v);
    printf("%d %d %d %d %d %d\n", q, r, s, t, u, v);
}
```

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