# Data Structure: Dynamic memory allocation

chap. 1.2, 2.1-2.3

### program execution in memory

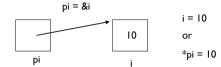
- data space consists of the stack and the heap
- the stack is used to store statically declared data
  - variables with names
  - data declared before compilation
  - access via their identifiers
- the heap is used to store dynamically allocated data
  - storage without names
  - get it when you need it
  - access by following pointers
  - by memory allocation function such as malloc

stack

heap

## int vs. pointer-to-int

int i, \*pi



"i" is a variable of an integer

"pi" is a variable of a pointer to an integer (address)

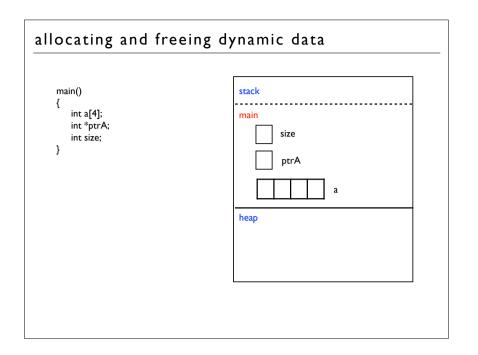
"&i" returns the address of variable i

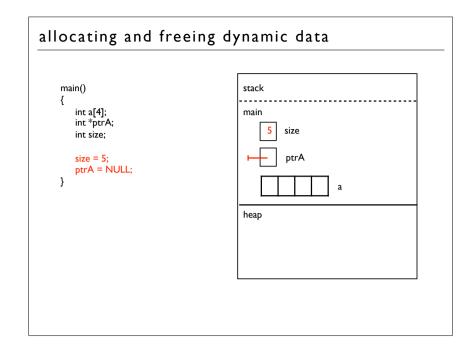
"\*pi" returns an integer value in the address pi

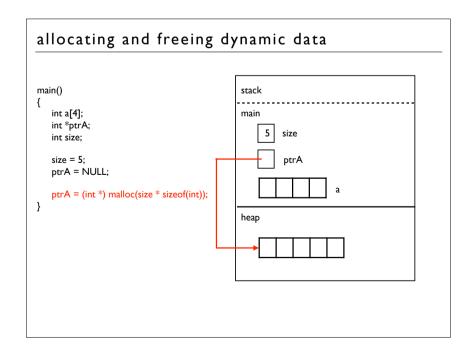
# allocating and freeing dynamic data

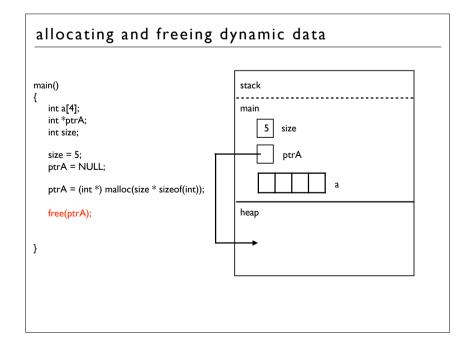
main()
{
 int a[4];
 int \*ptrA;
 int size;
}

heap









# main() { int a[4]; int \*ptrA; int size; size = 5; ptrA = NULL; ptrA = (int \*) malloc(size \* sizeof(int)); free(ptrA); ptrA = NULL; }

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array

| Is it OK?

#include <stdio.h>

void main(void){
    int *list1;
    int list2[5];
    list1[0] = 34;
    list2[0] = 34;
}
```

# 

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array

| Isit OK?

#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>

void main(void) {

    int *list1;
    int list2[5];

    list2[0] = 34;

    list1 = (int *)malloc(5*sizeof(int));

    list1[0] = 35;
    printf("%d %d\n", list1[0], list2[0]);
}
```

# Example: storing information about persons including Name Age Height

```
typedef struct {
    char *name;
    int age;
    double height;
} personT;

main()
{
    personI personI;
    personI.name = "Brian";
    personI.age = I0;
    personI.height = 20;
}
```

# Structures Example: storing information about persons including = Name = Age = Height a structure is a collection of one or more variables that can be of different types How? = First, create a structure that defines a new data type = Second, create variable of that new type typedef struct { char \*name; int age; double height; } personT;

```
structures: passing structure
     typedef struct {
                                           Stack
          char *name;
          int age;
          double height;
     } personT;
     void GetPersonData(personT x);
     main()
                                            main
                                                      person l
         personT personI;
                                             name
                                             age
          personT person2;
                                             height
         GetPersonData(person1);
                                                      person2
                                             name
                                             age
                                             height [
     void GetPersonData (personT x){
          x.name = "Brian";
                                            Неар
          x.age = 10;
         x.height = 20;
```

### structures: passing structure typedef struct { Stack char \*name: GetPersonData int age; name double height; } personT; age height [ void GetPersonData(personT x); main() main person I name personT person I; age personT person2; height [ GetPersonData(person1); person2 name age height [ void GetPersonData (personT x){ x.name = "Brian"; Неар x.age = 10: x.height = 20;

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structures: passing structure
     typedef struct {
                                            Stack
          char *name:
          int age;
          double height;
     } personT;
     void GetPersonData(personT x);
     main()
                                             main
                                                       person
                                             name
          personT personI;
          personT person2;
                                             age
                                             height
          GetPersonData(personI);
                                                       person2
                                             name
                                             age
                                             height [
     void GetPersonData (personT x){
          x.name = "Brian";
                                             Неар
          x.age = 10;
          x.height = 20;
```

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structures: passing structure
     typedef struct {
                                            Stack
          char *name:
                                             GetPersonData
          int age;
                                             name Brian
          double height;
                                                   10
     } personT;
                                             age
                                             height 20
     void GetPersonData(personT x);
     main()
                                             main
                                                       person I
                                             name
          personT person I;
                                             age
          personT person2;
                                             height
          GetPersonData(personI);
                                                       person2
                                              name
                                              age
                                              height
     void GetPersonData (personT x){
          x.name = "Brian";
                                             Неар
          x.age = 10;
          x.height = 20;
```

```
structures: passing address
      typedef struct {
                                           Stack
          char *name:
          int age;
                                            GetPersonData
          double height;
     } personT;
                                              x |
      void GetPersonData(personT *x);
     main()
                                            main
                                                      person
                                             name
          personT personI;
                                             age
                                                   10
          personT person2;
                                             height 20
          GetPersonData(&person I);
                                                      person2
                                             name
                                             age
                                             height [
      void GetPersonData (personT *x){
          x->name = "lane";
                                            Неар
          x->age = 10;
          x->height = 20;
```

## creating data structure with structure #define NUM HW 6 #define NUM EXAMS 2 studentT name typedef struct { progs [ exams string name; progAvg int progs [NUM HW]; examAvg int exams [NUM\_EXAMS]; numGrade int progAvg; ItrGrade $\Gamma$ double examAvg; double numGrade; string ItrGrade; } studentT;

```
main()
{
    courseT cs106A;    /* allocates memory on stack */
    int i;

    cs106A.numEnrolled = 0;
    for (i=0; i<MAX_ENROLL; i++){
        cs106A.students[i] = GetStudentData();
        cs106A.numEnrolled++;
    }
}</pre>
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main()
{
    courseT *cs106A;
    int i;

    cs106A = (courseT *)malloc(sizeof(courseT)); /* allocates in heap */
    cs106A -> numEnrolled = 0;

    for (i=0; i<MAX_ENROLL; i++){
        cs106A -> students[i] = GetStudentData();
        cs106A -> numEnrolled++;
    }
}
```