

Computer System Organization

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R3: more pointers, and seg faults

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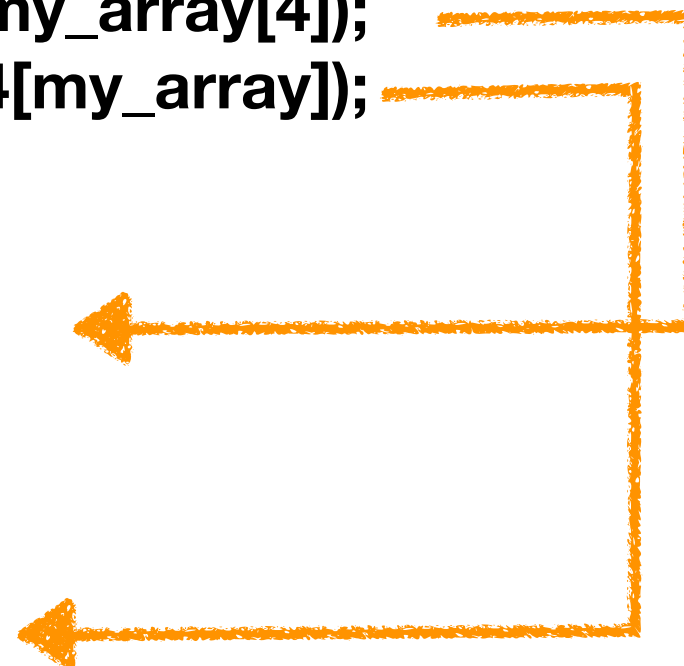
- Lab parts will be graded together
 - Last part was due last night at midnight
 - ▶ With 5 possible grace days, earliest possible grading time is this Sunday
 - ▶ Feel free to ask about part1 in office hours now though

Array access and pointer

```
int main (int argc, char ** argv) {  
    int my_array[] = {1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6};  
    printf("%d", *(my_array + 4));  
    printf("%d", my_array[4]);  
    printf("%d", 4[my_array]);  
}
```

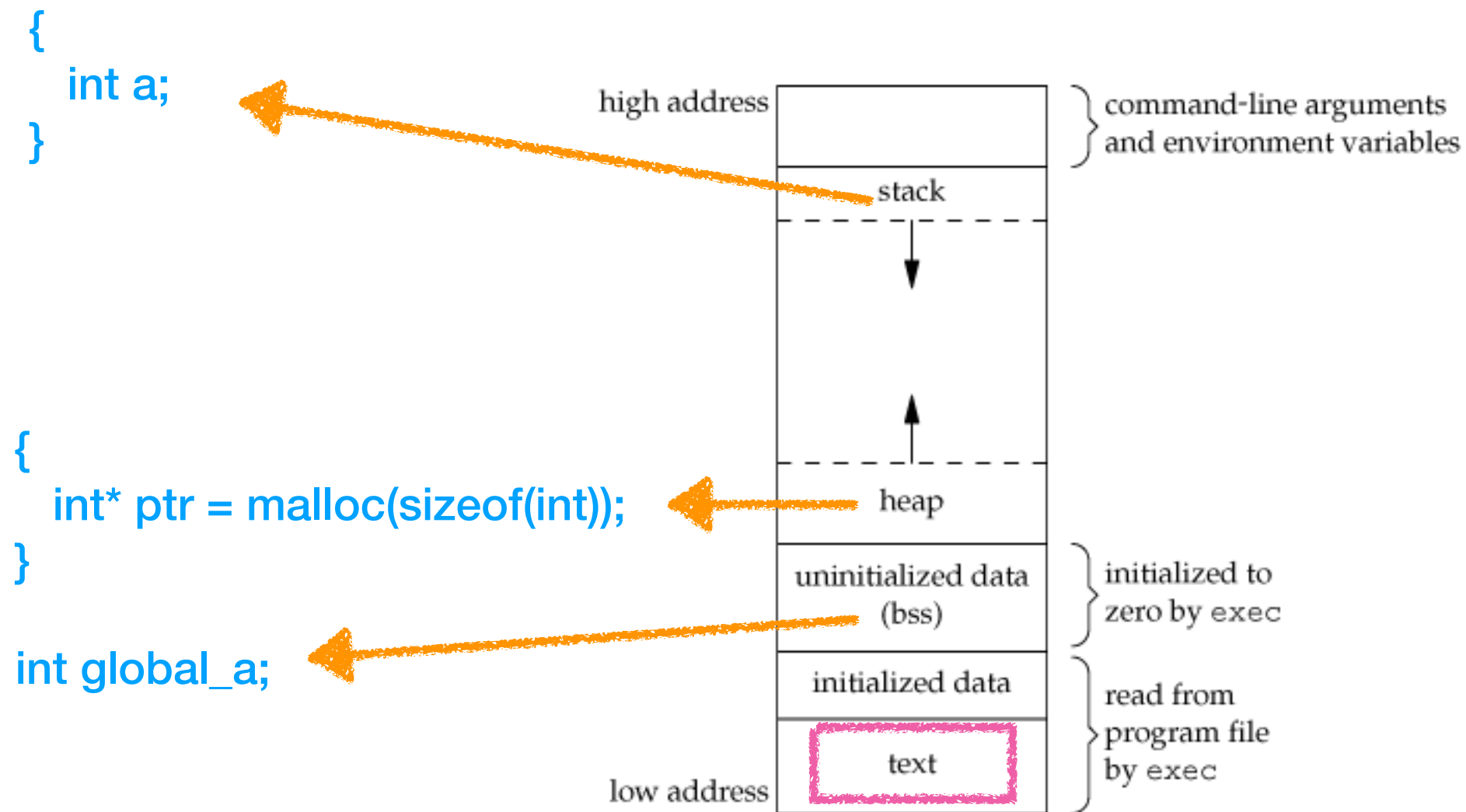
***(my_array + 4)**

***(4 + my_array)**



1	0x1000F000 (my_array)
2	0x1000F004
3	0x1000F008
4	0x1000F00C
5	0x1000F010
6	0x1000F014

Memory layout of C programs



Function Pointer in C

- A function pointer is just a variable with a unique interpretation.
 - The memory address(ADDR) of that variable.
 - The number of bytes used by the variable.
 - How to interpret the content stored in ADDR.
 - ▶ It represents a memory address.
 - ▶ The content in the memory address is part of the program.

Function Pointer in C

```
int add_two (int val) {  
    return vale + 2;  
}  
  
int main (int argc, char ** argv) {  
    int (*func_ptr)(int) = add_two;  
    printf("%d\n", func_ptr(5));  
}
```

```
int main (int argc, char ** argv) {  
    int (func_ptr*)(int) = add_two;  
    printf("%d\n", add_two(5));  
}
```

```
int add_two (int val) {  
    return vale + 2;  
}
```

0x1000
(main)

0x2000
(add_two)

0x1000F008
(func_ptr)

0x2000

0x1000F00C

Function object in C and Python

```
int add_two (int val) {  
    return val + 2;  
}  
  
int main (int argc, char ** argv) {  
    int (*func_ptr)(int) = add_two;  
    printf("%d\n", add_two(5));  
}
```

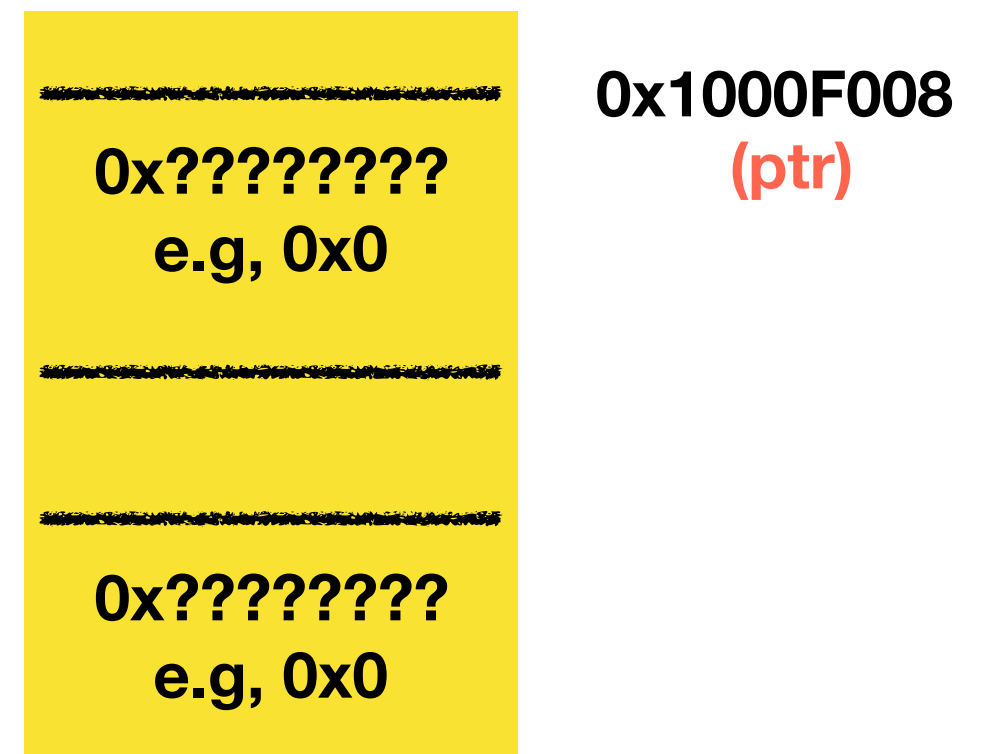
```
def add_two(val):  
    return val + 2  
  
def main():  
    func_ptr = add_two  
    print(func_ptr(5))  
  
if __name__ == '__main__':  
    main()
```

Segmentation Fault

- In computing, a segmentation fault (often shortened to segfault) or access violation is a fault, or failure condition, raised by hardware with memory protection, notifying an operation system the software has attempted to access a restricted area of memory (a memory access violation)
— — Wikipedia

```
int main (int argc, char ** argv) {  
    int val = 5;  
    int *ptr;  
    printf("%d\n", *ptr);  
}
```

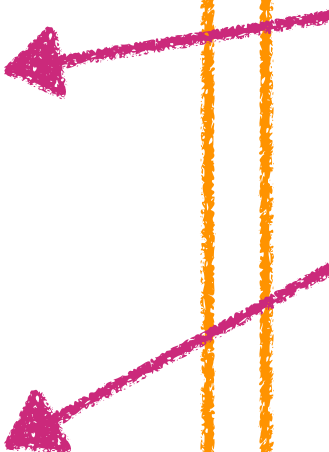
```
int *ptr = malloc(sizeof(int));
```



C v.s Python (variable)

```
int main (int argc, char **argv) {  
    void* var = null;  
  
    char* __temp1 = "12345";  
    var = (void*)__temp1;  
    printf("%s\n", (char*) var);  
  
    float __temp2 = 1.5;  
    var = (void*) &__temp2;  
    printf("%f\n", *((float*) var));  
  
}
```

```
def main():  
    var = "12345"  
    print(var)  
  
    var = 1.5  
    print(var)
```



Object like structs with function pointers

```
struct obj {  
    int count;  
    Int (*get_count)(struct obj self);  
}
```

```
struct obj my_o;  
/* some initialization */
```

```
printf("Count %d\n",  
    my_o->get_count(my_o));
```

```
class obj:  
    count = 4  
    def get_count(self):  
        return self.count
```

```
my_o = obj();
```

```
print("Count", my_o.get_count())
```