

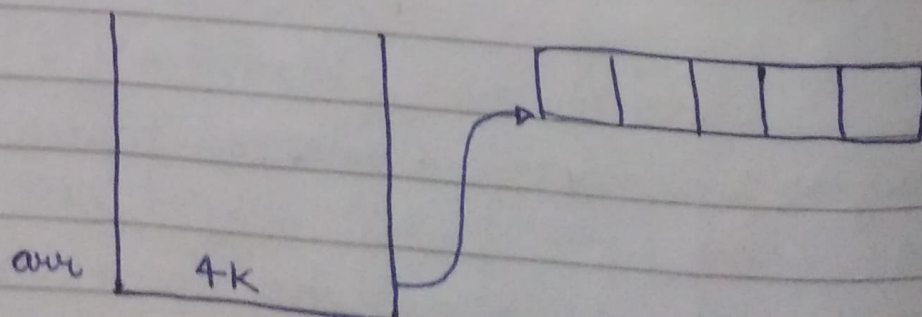
Memory Management.

- Array in C++ are made in stacks.
- If ~~into~~ I write array in CPP → ① It will have garbage value by default. ② ~~A loop~~ ^{it never} gets out of bounds.
- Whenever we pass arr, we have to pass its starting index address.
eg. void test(int* arr)
- If we do this, we would also have to pass size of array as well.
- It is problematic because, we should make least use of stack (as it is imp.)
- TO USE IN HEAP →

```
void test() {
    int n;
    cin >> n;
    int* arr = new int[n];
}
```

(space allocation in heap.)

- * '*' - is used to store address. So
int* means storing address of
int type



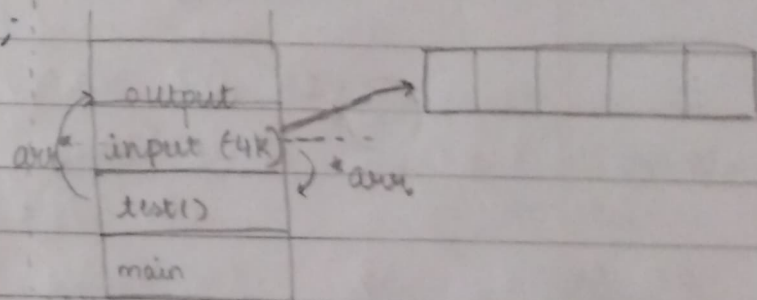
To take input of heap formed array

```
void input(int** arr, int n)
{
    for(int i=0; i<n; i++) {
        cin >> arr[i];
    }
}
```

⇒

```
int* input(int n)
{
    int *arr = new int[n];
    for(int i=0; i<n; i++)
    {
        cin >> arr[i];
    }
    return arr;
}
```

→ Rhud hi input lega.
Rhud hi array banayega.
bas call krdo funcⁿ ko.



arr - acts as link.

IMP :- ARRAY ON STACK CANNOT BE RETURNED.

Now for stack

→ won't work.

```
int arr int* inputForStack(int n) {
    int arr[n] = {0};
    for(int i=0; i<n; i++) {
        cin >> arr[i];
    }
    return *arr;
}
```

→ now this address
cannot be returned because

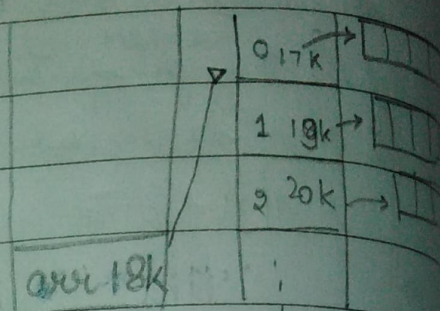
as soon as inputForStack is gone, arr is gone

There is cost for every transaction from server. So its data (which is fetched from server). so it should be stored on heap.

In 2-D.

we cannot use pointer method (we can but its complicated) →

```
void test() {
    int n, m;
    cin >> n;
    cin >> m;
```



```
int ** arr = new int*[n]
```

address array address
address of address

```
for(int i=0; i<n; i++) {
```

```
    int* ar = new int[m];
```

```
    arr[i] = ar;
```

create array
at every
index of
arr. }

In 3-D :

```
int *** arr = new int**[m];
```

→ As the dimensions increase, this method of using heap becomes more and more complex and time consuming. So we were introduced with Vectors.

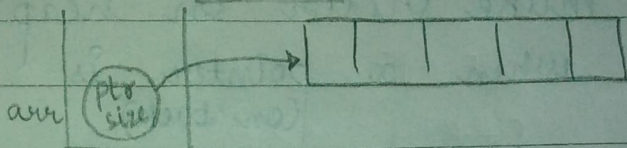
Vector: wrapper class which helps in doing these tasks in a more simplistic manner. So all this pointer work is done by itself in the background.

```
vector<int> arr(10, 0);
```

```
for(int i=0; i<100; i++) cout << arr[i] << to endl;
```

THIS LOOP RUNS EVEN IT IS LARGER THAN SIZE OF VECTOR WITHOUT ANY ERROR. (To be saved, use .at())

⇒ It has both ptr and size variables.



copy constructor

⇒ Copy constructor says, whenever anything is passed in form of '=' or return or as argument then copy constructor is fired.

⇒ So when I write $a = b$, then data in a doesn't change rather it copies.

⇒ So, in vector

```
void inputVector(vector<int> arr){
```

```
for(int i=0; i<arr.size(); i++){
```

```
cin >> arr[i];
```

```
for(int i=0; i<arr.size(); i++){
```

```
cout << arr[i]; } // THIS WILL PRINT INPUT.
```

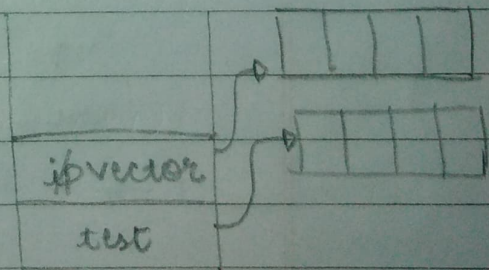
```
void test(){
```

```
vector<int> arr(10, 0);
```

```
inputVector(arr) // NOT O(1) but O(n)
```

```
for(int i=0; i<arr.size(); i++){
```

```
{ cout << arr[i] << " "; }
```



→ This will print 0 0 0 0

(explanation on next page)

in test()
 When the vector[^] is passed into inputVector()
 the vector is copied (new vector created)

why? because vector is
 formed on stack but
 array within vector is
 made on heap.

⇒ To make vector on heap:

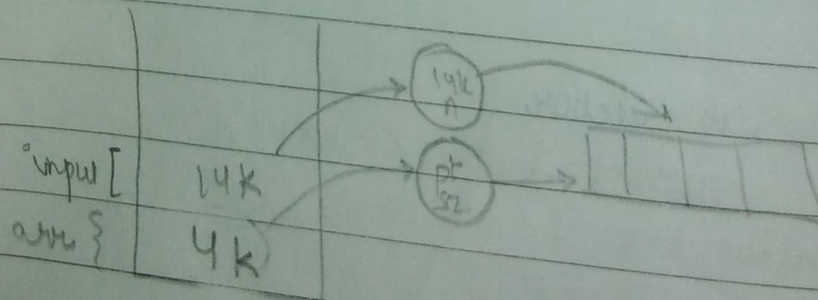
NOTE % when a pointer is copied then
 (on stack)

Whatever the pointer points to will
 also be copied.

Making these changes to last program to form
 vector on heap.

void inputVector(vector<int>* arr)

In test(): vector<int>* arr = new vector<int>(10, 0);



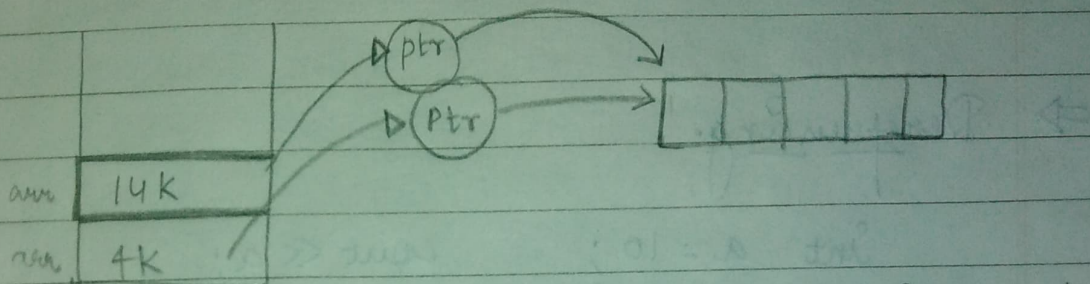
IMPORTANT.

- whenever using pointer use '→'. Dont use '.' operate
- To access element, use arr → at(i); don't use []

In Java

java created wrapper class to minimize use of pointers.

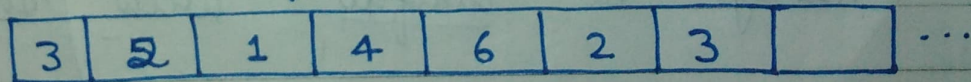
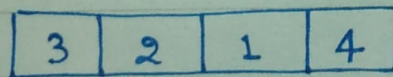
```
int[] arr = new int [10]
```



This seems as 'pass-by-reference' but in reality copy constructor is fired.

ArrayList.

ArrayList doubles its size. copies older data and then fills the remaining list.



▷ &

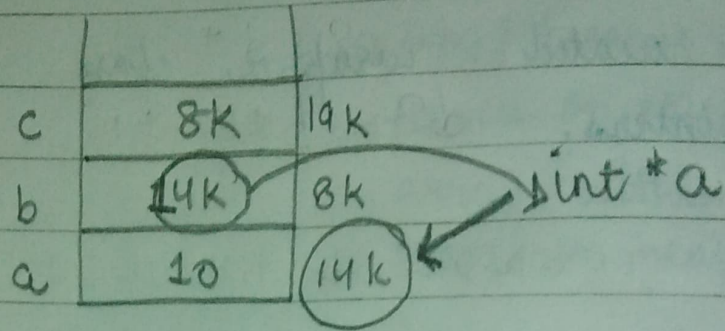
- * & is used to retrieve address of any variable on stack.

```
int a = 10;
int *b = &a;
int **c = &b;
```

c	8k	19k
b	14k	8k
a	10	14k

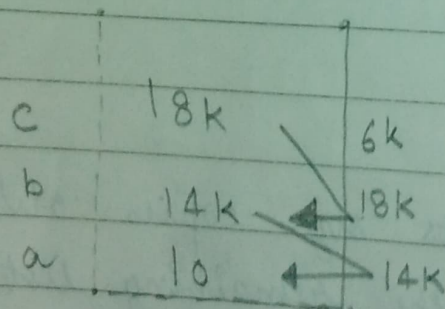
- * '*' is used on heap.

⇒ & is a pointer itself that copies or copies address of stack. Then b copies it this pointer in itself.



⇒ Dereferencing

```
int a = 10;      cout << a;    // 10
int *b = &a;     cout << *b  // 10
int **c = &b;    cout << **c; // 10
```



* Always be careful with pointers.