

Write a function that prints the sum of the two diagonals of a square matrix of integers.

Prototype: void print\_diagsums(int \*a, int size);

Format: see example

You are allowed to use the standard library

Note that in the following example we are casting an int[][] into an int\*. This is not something you should do. The goal here is to make sure you understand how an array of array is stored in memory.

```
julien@ubuntu:~/0x07$ cat 8-main.c
#include "main.h"
#include <stdio.h>
```

```

/**
 * main - check the code
 *
 * Return: Always 0.
 */
int main(void)
{
    int c3[3][3] = {
        {0, 1, 5},
        {10, 11, 12},
        {1000, 101, 102},
    };
    int c5[5][5] = {
        {0, 1, 5, 12124, 1234},
        {10, 11, 12, 123521, 12512},
        {1000, 101, 102, 12545, 214543435},
        {100, 1012451, 11102, 12545, 214543435},
        {10, 12401, 10452, 11542545, 1214543435},
    };
    print_diagsums((int *)c3, 3);
    print_diagsums((int *)c5, 5);
    return (0);
}
```

```
julien@ubuntu:~/0x07$ gcc -Wall -pedantic -Werror -Wextra -std=gnu89
8-main.c 8-print_diagsums.c -o 8-print_diagsums
julien@ubuntu:~/0x07$ ./8-print_diagsums
113, 1016
1214556093, 1137318
```

solution

```
void print_diagsums(int *a, int size)
```

```

    {
        int i;
        int sum_main = 0;
        int sum_secondary = 0;

        for (i = 0; i < size; i++)
        {
            sum_main += a[i * size + i];
            sum_secondary += a[i * size + (size - 1 - i)];
        }

        printf("%d, %d\n", sum_main, sum_secondary);
    }

    explain the task and break down the solution

```

Let's break down the task and the provided solution step by step:

## The Task:

The objective is to print the sum of the two diagonals of a square matrix of integers. The matrix is passed as an argument in the form of a one-dimensional integer pointer (despite its two-dimensional nature).

The two diagonals of a square matrix are:

- ❶ Main diagonal: Starts from the top-left and ends at the bottom-right.
- ❷ Secondary diagonal: Starts from the top-right and ends at the bottom-left.

## The Prototype:

The function `print_diagsums` accepts two arguments:

- `int *a`: A pointer to the first element of the matrix. As given in the example, a two-dimensional matrix is type-cast to a one-dimensional pointer, which means we have to manually perform the two-dimensional indexing.
- `int size`: The size of one dimension of the square matrix (since it's a square, both dimensions are the same).

## The Solution:

- ❶ Initialize two variables `sum_main` and `sum_secondary` to store the sums of the main and secondary diagonals, respectively.
- ❷ Traverse through the matrix:
  - ❸ The loop runs from `0` to `size-1`, with `i` being the current index.
  - ❹ To compute the main diagonal sum:
    - ❺ The expression `i * size + i` provides the linear index corresponding to `matrix[i][i]` in a two-dimensional representation.
  - ❻ To compute the secondary diagonal sum:
    - ❼ The expression `i * size + (size - 1 - i)` provides the linear index corresponding to `matrix[i][size-1-i]` in a two-dimensional representation.
- ❽ Use the `printf` function to print the sums in the required format.

## Explanation of the Solution:

### 1 Variables Declaration:

```
int i;  
int sum_main = 0;  
int sum_secondary = 0;
```

### 2 Loop to calculate the sums:

```
for (i = 0; i < size; i++)  
{  
    sum_main += a[i * size + i];  
    sum_secondary += a[i * size + (size - 1 - i)];  
}
```

Here's how the indexing works in this loop:

### 3 For a 3x3 matrix:

4 Main diagonal: (0,0), (1,1), (2,2)

5 Secondary diagonal: (0,2), (1,1), (2,0)

This converts into linear indexes for a one-dimensional representation as:


6 Main diagonal: 0, 4, 8

7 Secondary diagonal: 2, 4, 6

### 8 Print the Results:

```
printf("%d, %d\n", sum_main, sum_secondary);
```

When the function is executed with the provided sample matrices, it computes the sums of the diagonals and prints them in the specified format.

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