Computer Programming

Strings in C

a string is an array of characters terminated by a null character (\0)

Input strings

scanf("%s", str); // This will not read spaces.

Calloc, Malloc, Realloc

Malloc-Allocates a specified number of bytes of memory but does not initialize the memory.

```
void* malloc(size_t size);
int* ptr = (int*) malloc(5 * sizeof(int)); // Allocates memory for 5 integers
```

Calloc-Allocates memory for an array of elements and initializes all the bytes to zero.

```
void* calloc(size_t num, size_t size);
int* ptr = (int*) calloc(5 ,sizeof(int)); // Allocates memory for 5 integers
```

Realloc- Resizes a previously allocated memory block, preserving its content as much as possible.

```
void* realloc(void* ptr, size_t new_size);
```

If new_size is larger than the current size, realloc() expands the memory block and retains the existing data. However, the newly allocated space is uninitialized.

If new_size is smaller, the memory block is shrunk, and any extra data may be lost.

```
ptr = (int*) realloc(ptr, 10 * sizeof(int)); // Resize the memory block for 10 integers
```

Pointers

Pointers are variables that store the memory address of another variable.

```
int num = 10;
int *ptr = # // 'ptr' stores the address of 'num'
```

int arr[3] = {10, 20, 30};
int *ptr = arr; printf("%d\n", *ptr); // 10
ptr++; // Move to the next element
printf("%d\n", *ptr); // 20

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
int main() {
  int *ptr;
  ptr = (int *)malloc(sizeof(int)); // Dynamically allocate memory for an int
  if (ptr == NULL) {
     printf("Memory allocation failed!\n");
     return 1;
  *ptr = 50;
  printf("Value: %d\n", *ptr); // 50
  free(ptr); // Free the allocated memory
  return 0;
```

int *ptr = NULL;

*ptr = 10; // Error! Dereferencing a NULL pointer

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main() {
int arr[] = \{10, 20, 30, 40, 50\};
int *ptr = arr; // Initialize pointer to the first element of the array
printf("Initial value: %d\n", *ptr); // 10
printf("*(ptr++): %d\n", *(ptr++)); // Dereference then increment pointer (prints 10, ptr moves to arr[1])
printf("*ptr++: %d\n", *ptr++); // Dereference then increment pointer (prints 20, ptr moves to arr[2])
printf("*(ptr++): %d\n", *(ptr++)); // Dereference then increment pointer (prints 30, ptr moves to arr[3])
printf("++*ptr: %d\n", ++*ptr); // Increment value at ptr (40 becomes 41, ptr still at arr[3])
printf("*(++ptr): %d\n", *(++ptr)); // Increment pointer, then dereference (prints 50, ptr moves to arr[4])
return 0; }
```

Problem 1

Given a string s consisting of words and spaces, return the length of the last word in the string.

Example 1

Input: s = "Hello World"

Output: 5

Explanation: The last word is "World" with length 5.

Example 2

Input: s = " fly me to the moon "

Output: 4

Explanation: The last word is "moon" with length 4.

Code

```
int lengthOfLastWord(char* s) {
  int b=0;
  for (int i=strlen(s)-1; i>=0; i--) {
       if(s[i]!=' '){
           b=i;
           break;
  int a=-1;
  for(int i=0;i<b+1;i++){
       if(s[i]==' '){
           a=i;
  return b-a;
```

Problem 2

Harry Potter is in charge of Gryffindor Quidditch Team at Hogwarts. Each house member has a level ranging between 1 and 1000.

Harry needs to sort the students of house by their level so that he knows the preparation of his team. Your task is to help Harry by writing a C program that:

- 1. Reads an integer n (the number of students).
- 2. For each student, reads their level.
- 3. Sorts the students in house by their level using a approach which is of complexity O(n+k) where k is max(values entered) and space complexity O(n)
- Prints the sorted levels for the house

Input Format:

- The first line contains an integer n, the number of students.
- The next n lines each contain an integer representing the student's level (an integer between 1 and 1000).

Output Format:

• For each house, print the sorted list of levels of the students in the house.

Code

```
int count[maxLevel + 1];
for (int i = 0; i <= maxLevel; i++)
count[i] = 0;
for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
count[levels[i]]++;
for (int i = 1; i <= maxLevel; i++)
while (count[i] > 0) {
printf("%d\n", i);
count[i]--; } }
```

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