

# Pointers



## REVIEW QUESTIONS

1. Pointer constants are drawn from the set of addresses for a computer.
  - a. true
3. The underlying type of a pointer is address.
  - b. false
5. Which of the following statements about pointers is false?
  - a. Pointers are built on the standard type, address.
7. Which of the following statements will not add 1 to a variable?
  - d. `*p++;`
9. Which of the following defines and initializes a pointer to the address of `x`?
  - e. `int* ptr = &x;`
11. Given the following definitions, which answer points to the value stored in `x`?

```
int    x;  
int*   p = &x;  
int**  pp = &p;
```

  - d. `**pp`
13. Which of the following statements about pointer compatibility is true?
  - d. When a pointer is cast, C++ automatically reformats the data to reflect the correct type.
15. Given a pointer to an array element, `ptr`, `ptr - 5` is a pointer to the value 5 elements toward the beginning of the array.
  - a. true
17. The parameter declaration `int* a` can be used to declare an array of integers passed to a function.
  - a. true

19. Which of the following statements about pointers and arrays is true?
- c. The name of an array can be used with the indirection operator to reference data.
21. Which of the following defines a two-dimensional array of integers?
- b. `int ary[ ][SIZE2]`
23. Which of the following statements about ragged arrays is false?
- c. Ragged arrays can only be used with arrays of integers.

## EXERCISES

- 25.
- a. true
  - b. false (because a is not a pointer)
27. The values for the following expressions are:
- a. 6
  - b. 6
  - c. 6
  - d. 6
29. The following program fragments are invalid:
- a. Invalid results because data read into pointer variable.
  - c. Invalid code. Depending on compiler, will generate a warning or a compile error. Correct code is in b.
  - d. Invalid code. Pointer needs to be dereferenced.
31. The type of each expression is:
- a. a pointer to a pointer to a pointer to an integer
  - b. a pointer to a pointer to an integer
  - c. a pointer to an integer
  - d. an integer
33. The following statements break the rules for lvalues and rvalues:
- a. No error as long as p is a pointer variable initialized to point to a variable.
  - b. `&a[0]` must be stored in p instead of `&p`.
  - c. q must store `(p + 2)` instead of `&(p + 2)`.
35. The prototype statement is:
- ```
int* spin (int& x, long double** py);
```
37. See Figure 9-1.
39. The rewritten expressions are:
- a. `*(tax + 6)`
  - b. `*(score + 7)`
  - c. `*(num + 4)`
  - d. `*(prices + 9)`
41. If we interpret the sixth element as `ary[5]`, and if p is pointing to `a[3]`, we can access `a[5]` by coding:
- ```
*(p + 2)    or    p[2]
```

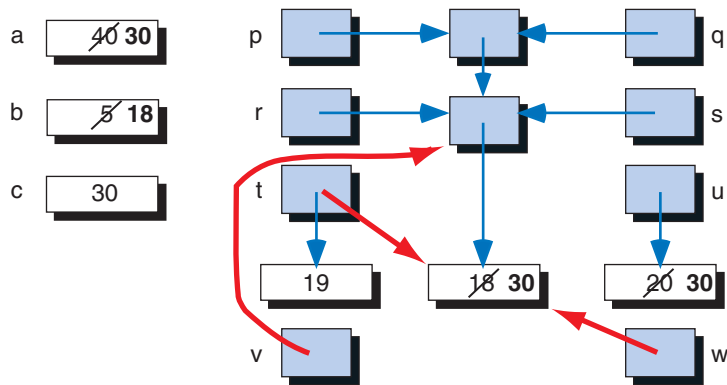


FIGURE 9-1 Solution to Exercise 37

43. The output is:

6 6  
3 4  
6 2  
4 6

45. The prototype statement and call are:

Prototype:

`void fun (int ary[][5]);`

Call:

`fun (table);`

47. See Figure 9-2.

- a. x is an array of five pointers to integer.
- b. x is a pointer to an array of five integers.

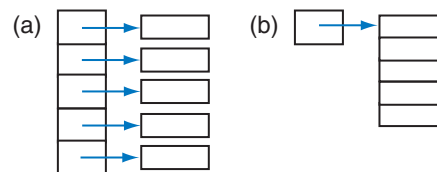


FIGURE 9-2 Solution to Exercise 47.

49. The output is:

452  
769

Explanation: For the first call: p is pointing to the whole first row, so (\*p) is the first row itself. Then using the first row, (\*p)[0] refers to the first element (4), (\*p)[1] refers to the second element (5), and (\*p)[2] refers to the third element (2).

For the second call: p is pointing to the whole second row (x+1), so (\*p) is the second row itself. Then using the second row, (\*p)[0] refers to the first element (7), (\*p)[1] refers to the second element (6), and (\*p)[2] refers to the third element (9).

51. The expression values are:

- a. e
- b. m

53. The expression values are:

- a. 4
- b. 4
- c. address of i
- d. 4
- e. address of i
- f. address of i) + 8 (if &i is 10,000 and sizeof (int) is 4, then value is 10,032)

55. The equivalent index expressions are:

- a. num [2]
- b. num [j]
- c. num [i + j]
- d. num [i] + num [j]
- e. num [num [1]]

57. The equivalent index expressions are:

- a. &n [0]
- b. n[0]
- c. n[0] + 1
- d. n[1]
- e. n[j]

59. The following calls are invalid for the reason shown:

- a. not valid: mushem needs two addresses.
- b. not valid: mushem needs two addresses

61. The output is:

- 1. 9 4 17
- 2. 31 17 10 18 7 19 10

## PROBLEMS

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```
/* This program adds, subtracts, multiplies, and
   divides two numbers using pointers.
   Written by:
   Date:
*/
#include <iostream>
```

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using namespace std;

int main ()
{
    cout << "\n *** start of program ***\n\n";

    cout << "\nEnter the first number : ";
    int a;
    int* pa = &a;
    cin >> *pa;

    int b;
    int* pb = &b;
    cout << "\nEnter the second number : ";
    cin >> *pb;

    int r;
    int* pr = &r;
    *pr = *pa + *pb;
    cout << *pa << " + " << *pb << " is " << *pr << endl;

    *pr = *pa - *pb;
    cout << *pa << " - " << *pb << " is " << *pr << endl;

    *pr = *pa * *pb;
    cout << *pa << " * " << *pb << " is " << *pr << endl;

    *pr = *pa / *pb;

    int rem;
    int* prem = &rem;
    *prem = *pa % *pb;
    cout << *pa << " / " << *pb << " is " << *pr
        << " with a remainder of " << *prem << endl;

    cout << "\n *** end of program ***\n\n";
    return 0;
} // main

```

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/* ===== time_convert =====
Given time in seconds pass back the time in hours,
minutes, seconds, and an am/pm character.
Pre given the time in seconds
Post time in hours, minutes, seconds and am/pm
returns true for successs false for error
*/
bool time_convert (long time, int* hour,
                  int* min, int* sec,
                  char* am_pm)
{
    *hour = *min = *sec = 0;

    if (time >= 86400)
        return false;

    *sec = time % 60;
    time /= 60;

    *min = time % 60;

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time /= 60;

*hour = time;

if (*hour < 12)
    *am_pm = 'a';
else
{
    *am_pm = 'p';
    *hour -= 12;
} // else
return true;
} // time_convert

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/* ===== gcd_lcm =====
This function receives 2 integers and returns
the G.C.D. and L.C.M.
Pre given 2 integers
Post returns the GCD and LCM
*/
void gcd_lcm (int num1, int num2,
              int* gcd, int* lcm)
{
    int fact1;
    int fact2;
    if (num1 >= num2)
    {
        fact1 = num1;
        fact2 = num2;
    } // if
    else
    {
        fact1 = num2;
        fact2 = num1;
    } // else

    int rem = fact1 % fact2;
    while (rem != 0)
    {
        fact1 = fact2;
        fact2 = rem;
        rem = fact1 % fact2;
    } // while

    *gcd = fact2;
    *lcm = (num1 * num2) / *gcd;
    return;
} // gcd_lcm

```

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/* ===== arrays_equal =====
Compares every element of array 1 equal to its
corresponding element in array 2.
Pre a pointer to array 1 and
a pointer to array 2
size is number of elements
Post returns true if arrays are equal
returns false if they are different
*/

```

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bool arrays_equal (int* pAry1, int* pAry2, int size)
{
    bool equal = true;
    int* p1     = pAry1;
    int* pLast  = p1 + size - 1;
    int* p2     = pAry2;

    while (equal && p1 <= pLast)
    {
        if (*p1 != *p2)
            equal = false;
        p1++;
        p2++;
    } // for
    return equal;
} // arrays_equal

```

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/* ===== Pascal =====
This function creates a ragged array representing a
Pascal Triangle.
Pre  size of triangle as an integer
Post returns pointer to the ragged array
*/
int** Pascal (int size)
{
    int  total_rows;
    if (size < 1)
        total_rows = 1;
    else
        total_rows = size;

    int** p = new int* [total_rows]; // ragged array

    for (int row = 0; row < total_rows; row++)
        *(p + row) = new int[row + 1];

    // Filling the data for size of triangle
    for (int row = 0; row < total_rows; row++)
    {
        for (int col = 0; col <= row; col++)
        {
            if (col == 0 || col == row)
                (*(p + row) + col) = 1;
            else
                (*(p + row) + col)
                    = (*(p + row - 1) + col - 1)
                      + (*(p + row - 1) + col);
        } // for col
    } // for row
    return p;
} // Pascal

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/* ===== convert_array =====
This function copies one-dimentional array of n
elements to two-dimentional array of k rows and j
columns.
Pre  number of elements in one-dimentional array
Post number of rows in two-dimentional array

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        number of columns in two-dimensional array
        one-dimensional array
    Post if n != j * k, returns null pointer
        else returns pointer to 2-dimensional array
*/
int** convert_array (int total_elements, int to_row,
                    int to_col, int* from_ary)
{
    int** new_ary;
    if (total_elements != to_row * to_col)
        new_ary = NULL;
    else
    {
        new_ary = new int* [to_row];
        for (int row = 0; row < to_row; row++)
            *(new_ary + row) = new int [to_col];

        int from_index = 0;
        for (int row = 0; row < to_row; row++)
        {
            for (int col = 0;
                  col < to_col;
                  from_index++, col++)
                (*(new_ary + row) + col)
                    = *(from_ary + from_index);
        } // for
    } // else
    return new_ary;
} // convertArray

```

75. Read and fill array with characters

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for (char* ptr = a; ptr < a + 40; ptr++)
    cin >> *ptr;

```

77. Rotate array one element left

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char* ptr;
char temp = *a;
for (ptr = a; ptr < a + 5; ptr++)
    *ptr = *(ptr + 1);
*ptr = temp;

```