

`a` has the wrong type. When used as an argument, it's a pointer to an array, but `find_largest` is expecting a pointer to an integer. However, `a[0]` has type `int *`, so it's an acceptable argument for `find_largest`. This concern about types is actually good; if C weren't so picky, we could make all kinds of horrible pointer mistakes without the compiler noticing.

Exercises

Section 12.1

1. Suppose that the following declarations are in effect:

```
int a[] = {5, 15, 34, 54, 14, 2, 52, 72};
int *p = &a[1], *q = &a[5];
```

- (a) What is the value of `*(p+3)`?
- (b) What is the value of `*(q-3)`?
- (c) What is the value of `q - p`?
- (d) Is the condition `p < q` true or false?
- (e) Is the condition `*p < *q` true or false?

- W *2. Suppose that `high`, `low`, and `middle` are all pointer variables of the same type, and that `low` and `high` point to elements of an array. Why is the following statement illegal, and how could it be fixed?

```
middle = (low + high) / 2;
```

Section 12.2

3. What will be the contents of the `a` array after the following statements are executed?

```
#define N 10

int a[N] = {1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10};
int *p = &a[0], *q = &a[N-1], temp;

while (p < q) {
    temp = *p;
    *p++ = *q;
    *q-- = temp;
}
```

- W 4. Rewrite the `make_empty`, `is_empty`, and `is_full` functions of Section 10.2 to use the pointer variable `top_ptr` instead of the integer variable `top`.

Section 12.3

5. Suppose that `a` is a one-dimensional array and `p` is a pointer variable. Assuming that the assignment `p = a` has just been performed, which of the following expressions are illegal because of mismatched types? Of the remaining expressions, which are true (have a nonzero value)?

- (a) `p == a[0]`
- (b) `p == &a[0]`
- (c) `*p == a[0]`
- (d) `p[0] == a[0]`

- W 6. Rewrite the following function to use pointer arithmetic instead of array subscripting. (In other words, eliminate the variable `i` and all uses of the `[]` operator.) Make as few changes as possible.