



# Question 1

What is meaning of following declaration?

```
int(*p[5])();
```

- ☐ p is pointer to function
- ☐ p is array of pointer to function
- ☐ p is pointer to such function which return type is array
- ☐ p is pointer to array of function
- ☐ none of the above





## Question 2

1. Which best describes the type of `x` in the following C declaration?

```
int (*x[10])(char *);
```

- (a) a pointer to a function that takes an array of 10 strings and returns an `int`
- (b) an array of 10 pointers to functions that take strings and return `ints`
- (c) a pointer to a function that takes a string and returns an array of 10 `ints`
- (d) a function that takes an array of 10 strings and returns an `int`

<https://moss.cs.iit.edu/cs351/exams/midterm2019fall.pdf>





## Question 3

```
int *a[]
```

```
int (*a)[]
```

```
int* (*a)()
```

```
int* ((a())[])()
```

```
int (*(*a())[])()
```

```
int* ((*a[])[])()
```





## Solutions

`int *a[]` : array[] of pointer to int

`int (*a)[]` : pointer to array[] of int

`int* (*a)()` : pointer to function which returns pointer to int

`int* ((a[])[])()` : function which returns array[] of functions that return pointer to int

`int (*(a[])[])()` : function which returns pointer to array of pointers to functions which return pointer to int

`int* (*(a[])[])()` : array of pointer to function which returns pointer to array of pointer to int





## Question 4

Which best describes the type of `x` in the following C declaration?

```
char *(*x)[10]()
```

- (a) a pointer to an array of 10 pointers to functions returning strings
- (b) a pointer to a function that takes an array of 10 void pointers and returns
- (c) an array of 10 pointers to functions returning strings
- (d) an array of functions that take arrays of 10 character pointers a string

[http://www.cs.iit.edu/~nsultana1/teaching/F22CS351/past\\_exams/midterm-2020spring.pdf](http://www.cs.iit.edu/~nsultana1/teaching/F22CS351/past_exams/midterm-2020spring.pdf)





## Question 5

Which of the following function declaration is correct

```
#include<stdio.h>
```

```
int main()
{
    int arr[5][6];
    avg(arr);
    return 0;
}
```

a) void avg(int \*a[5][6])  
{  
}

b) void avg(int a[][6])  
{  
}

c) void avg(int \*a[][6])  
{  
}

d) void fun(int a[][4])  
{  
}

<https://s3.amazonaws.com/serverless-libreoffice-pdf/563PROGRAMFILE1.pdf>





## Question 6

```
int main() {  
    char a[3] = {'p', 'q', 'r'};  
    char b[3] = {'s', 't', 'u'};  
    char c[3] = {'w', 'x', 'z'};  
    char *d[3] = {a, b, c};  
    char *e = d[1];  
    char *f = e + 2;  
    char g = *f;  
    printf("%c\n", g);  
    return 0;  
}
```







2. Consider the following program.

```
int main() {  
    char a[3] = {'p', 'q', 'r'};  
    char b[3] = {'s', 't', 'u'};  
    char c[3] = {'w', 'x', 'z'};  
    char *d[3] = {a, b, c};  
    char *e = d[1];  
    char *f = e + 2;  
    char g = *f;  
    printf("%c\n", g);  
    return 0;  
}
```

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Note: `printf("%c\n", g);` means “print the character stored in variable `g`”, so if `g='a'` it would print `a`.

What gets printed out? If the program would crash write `crash`.

**Solution:** key: u







## Question 7

```
int main() {  
    int x[6] = {11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16};  
    int y[2] = {21, 22};  
    int *z[2] = {x, y};  
    int *w = z[0] + 3;  
    int a = *w;  
    printf("%d", a);  
    return 0;  
}
```

<https://www.cs.virginia.edu/~jh2jf/courses/cs2130/spring2023/exams/f2022e2key.pdf>





6. [8 points] Consider the following main function:

```
int main() {  
    int x[6] = {11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16};  
    int y[2] = {21, 22};  
    int *z[2] = {x, y};  
    int *w = z[0] + 3;  
    int a = *w;  
    printf("%d", a);  
    return 0;  
}
```

What is printed? If the program would crash or seg fault, write **crash**.

Answer



## Question 8

```
#include<stdio.h>

void swap(int **x, int i, int j){
    int *temp;
    temp = x[i];
    x[i] = x[j];
    x[j] = temp;
}

int main()
{
    int a[6] = {1, 2, 3};
    int (*p)[6] = &a;
    int *arr[3] = {a,a+2,a+4};
    p[0][2] = 5;
    swap(arr,1,2);
    printf("%d\n", *arr[2]);
    return 0;
}
```





## Pointer Arithmetic: Combining \* and ++/--

- `*p++`; value: `*p`, inc: `p`
- `(*p)++`; value: `*p`, inc: `*p`
- `++(*p)`; value: `(*p)+1`, inc: `*p`
- `*++p`; value: `*(p+1)`, inc: `p`

### `*p++` vs `(*p)++` ?

- `x = *p++`  $\Rightarrow$  `x = *p` ; `p = p + 1`;
- `x = (*p)++`  $\Rightarrow$  `x = *p` ; `*p = *p + 1`;

<https://cs.brynmawr.edu/Courses/cs246/spring2013/slides/07PassingPointers.pdf>





## Operator Precedents



- Unary operators associate right to left  
`y = *&x;            /* same as y = *(&x) */`
- Unary operators bind more tightly than binary ones  
`y = *p + 1;        /* same as y = (*p) + 1; */`
- More examples  
`y = *p++;           /* same as y = *p; p++; */`  
`y = *(p++);        /* same as above */`  
`y = ++*p;           /* same as p++; y = *p; */`  
`y = ++*p;           /* same as y = (*p) + 1; */`
- When in doubt, liberally use parentheses

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A portion of the C Operator Precedence Table

<u>Operator</u>	<u>Associativity</u>
++ postfix increment	L to R
-- postfix decrement	
[] array element	
() function call	
-----	
* indirection	R to L
++ prefix increment	
-- prefix decrement	
& address-of	
sizeof size of type/object	
(type) type cast	
-----	
* multiplication	L to R
/ division	
% modulus	
-----	
+ addition	L to R
- subtraction	
-----	
.	
.	
-----	
= assignment	R to L

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<https://cseweb.ucsd.edu/~ricko/CSE30/Midterm.fa12.pdf>



## Operator Precedence table (only top 2 rows)

	OPERATORS	ASSOCIATIVITY
1	( ) [ ] -> . ++ -- (postfix)	left to right
2	sizeof & * + - ~ ! <i>typecasts</i> ++ -- (prefix)	right to left







## Question 9

```
#include <stdio.h>
```

```
int main() {  
    int A[] = {4, 0, 5, 9, 2};  
    int *ptr = &A[2];  
    printf("%d", *ptr++);  
  
    return 0;  
}
```

- A. 9
- B. 5
- C. 6
- D. 0





## Solution



A. is wrong because it incremented ptr to point to 9 and dereferenced the value. This would be correct if the statement was `printf("%d", *++ptr)`.

B. is correct ptr is post-incremented, so it would return its de-referenced value first in the `printf()` statement before incrementing to point to 9.

C. is wrong because it incremented the dereferenced value of ptr. This would be correct if the statement was `printf("%d", ++*ptr)`.

D. is wrong. May have mistaken the index of the beginning of the array as 1 instead of 0. It would be correct if `int *ptr = &A[1]` using the same logic as A.





## Question 10

```
int n = 3;  
int *p = &n;  
printf("n=%d\n", ++*p);  
printf("n=%d\n", n++);
```

[https://ee209-2020-fall.github.io/oldmidterm/fall11exam\\_KAIST.pdf](https://ee209-2020-fall.github.io/oldmidterm/fall11exam_KAIST.pdf)





## Question 11

```
#include <stdio.h>

int main()
{
    char data = 'a';
    char *ptr = &data;
    printf("%c", ++*ptr++);

    return 0;
}
```

<http://www.cs.columbia.edu/~janak/teaching/s04-cs10034/lectures/CS1113-Outline.pdf>





## Question 12

If I have the following C program

```
int main(void) {  
    int a = 15;  
    int b = 12;  
    int *p = &a;  
    int *q = p;  
    char *cp = (char*) &a;  
    ...  
    *p++;  
    q++;  
    cp += 2;  
    ...  
}
```

what value would you see in each case if you printed each of the following?

\*p \_\_\_\_\_ \*q \_\_\_\_\_

a \_\_\_\_\_ b \_\_\_\_\_

\*cp \_\_\_\_\_





## Question 13

What would be the output of the following code?

```
void main()
{
    char *p = "UNIVERSITY";
    printf("%c", ++*(p++));
}
```

- a) No Output      b) Error
- c) N                d) V





## Question 14

What is the output of the following code?

```
#include<stdio.h>
void abc(char[]);
int main()
{
    char arr[100];
    arr[0] = 'a';
    arr[1] = 'b';
    arr[2] = 'c';
    arr[4] = 'd';
    abc(arr);
    return 0;
}
void abc(char arr[])
{
    printf("%c", *++arr);
    printf("%c", *arr++);
}
```

- A. ab
- B. bb
- C. bc
- D. cc







## Question 15

Q: Does the following code give an error at run time? If yes, why? If no, what is the output?

```
main() {  
    int *p;  
    *p = 5;  
    printf("%d", (*p)++);  
}
```

- A. Yes, because the pointer does not point to a valid address in memory
- B. Yes, because there is a syntax error in the printf statement: `(*p)++` is not a valid operation on a pointer
- C. No, the output of the program is the value pointed to by p, which is 5
- D. No, the output of the program is the value pointed to by p, plus one, which is 6





## Question 16

```
int main() {  
    char *p, *q, y = 0;  
    char x[8] = {0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7};  
    int i = 0;  
  
    p = x;  
    q = &x[6];  
    *q = 'a';  
  
    for (i = 0; i < 6; i++) {  
        *p++ = *q;  
    }  
  
    q = p;  
  
    printf("%d", x[1]);  
    return 0;  
}
```





## Question 17

```
char *p = "1234";  
while(*p)  
    printf("%c ", *++p);
```





## Question 18

```
char *p = "1234";  
while(*p)  
    printf("%c ", *p++);
```





## Question 19

Given the declaration:

```
int num = 6;  
int *p = &num;
```

which statement below increments the value of num?

- ☐ \*p++;
- ☐ (\*p)++;
- ☐ (\*num)++;
- ☐ p++;





## Question 20

```
#include <stdio.h>

int main ()
{
    int i, *p, count = 0;
    p = &count;

    for (i = 0; i < 7; i++) {
        count++;
        (*p)++;
    }

    printf("count = %d, Have a great day.\n", count);
    return 0;
}
```

What is the output of the program?





## Question 21

What is the output of the following program:

```
#include <stdio.h>

int *confuse(int *x, int *y) {
    (*y)++;
    y = x;
    *y = 10;
    return (y);
}

int main(void) {
    int a = 6, b = 7;
    int *f = &b;

    f = confuse(&a, &b);
    (*f)++;

    printf("a = %d and b = %d\n", a, b);
    return 0;
}
```





## Question 22

```
#include <stdio.h>

int main()
{
    int *pv, v[] = {1, 4, 7, 10, 13, 16, 19};
    char *pc, c[] = "FEDCBA";

    pv = v + 4;
    printf("%d \n ", (*pv)++);
    printf("%d \n", ++*pv);

    pv = v;
    printf("%d \n ", *++pv);
    printf("%d \n", pv[1]);

    return 0;
}
```



## Question 23

What's the output of this code snippet?

```
int a[10], i, *p =a;

for (i =0; i < 10; i++)
    a[i] = i;

printf("value 1 = %d\n", *p++);
printf("value 2 = %d\n", (*p)++);
printf("value 3 = %d\n", (*(p+4))--);
printf("value 4 = %d\n", *--p);
printf("value 5 = %d\n", ++*p);
```

Output:

value 1 = \_\_\_\_\_

value 2 = \_\_\_\_\_

value 3 = \_\_\_\_\_

value 4 = \_\_\_\_\_

value 5 = \_\_\_\_\_



## Question 24

```
int x[] = { 2, 4, 6, 8, 10 };  
int *p = x;  
int **pp = &p;  
(*pp)++;  
(*(*pp))++;  
printf("%d\n", *p);
```

Result is:

A: 2

B: 3

C: 4

D: 5

E: None of the above

<https://inst.eecs.berkeley.edu/~cs61c/sp20/pdfs/lectures/lec03.pdf>





## Question 25

```
#include <stdio.h>

int a = 380, b = 480, c = 42;

void f(int *x, int *y, int z) {
    ++(*x);
    ++(*y);
    ++z;
}

int main() {
    printf("a=%d b=%d c=%d\n", a, b, c);
    f(&a, &b, c);
    printf("a=%d b=%d c=%d\n", a, b, c);

    return 0;
}
```



## Question 26

The output of the following code is 5 5.

Which of the following correctly replaces the missing lines in the code?

```
int main() {  
    int a, *ptr, arr[12] = {1, 2, 1, 2};  
    ptr = arr;  
    //line 1  
    printf("%d", a);  
    //line 2  
    printf("%d", a);  
    return 0;  
}
```

- A. Line 1: `a = *ptr++ + 3;` and Line 2: `a = *ptr++ + 3;`
- B. Line 1: `a = *ptr++ + 3;` and Line 2: `a = ++*ptr + 3;`
- C. Line 1: `a = ++*ptr + 3;` and Line 2: `a = ++*ptr + 3;`
- D. Line 1: `a = ++*ptr + 3;` and Line 2: `a = *ptr++ + 3;`





## Question 27

Consider the code.

However, part of the code is missing.

The code is supposed to give the output -

7 26 8 6 17 4 32 1

What can the missing parts be?

- A. Missing\_1: 26 Missing\_2: 17 Missing\_3: 32
- B. Missing\_1: 17 Missing\_2: 32 Missing\_3: 26
- C. Missing\_1: 17 Missing\_2: 26 Missing\_3: 32
- D. Missing\_1: 32 Missing\_2: 26 Missing\_3: 17

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main() {
    int k, *p;
    int v[2][4] = {7, 3, 8, 6, 9, 4, 5, 1};

    v[1][0] =           ;           // Missing_1
    v[0][1] =           ;           // Missing_2
    *(v[1] + 2) =        ;           // Missing_3

    p = (int *)v;
    for (k = 0; k < 8; k++)
        printf("%d ", p[k]);

    return 0;
}
```





## Question 28

```
#include <stdio.h>

void fun(char *p, char *r)
{
    while(*p!='\0'){
        *p++ = *r++;
    }
}

int main() {
    char x[]="hello cat";
    char y[]="guten tag";

    fun(x,y);
    printf("%s", x);

    return 0;
}
```







## Question 29

```
int main()
{
    char a[] = "CSE30";
    char *p = a;

    printf("%c\n", *p++);
    *(p+2) = p[3];
    printf("%c\n", *(p+2));
    *(p+3) = p[-1];
    printf("%c\n", *(p+3));
    printf("%c\n", *++p);

    return 0;
}
```

<https://cseweb.ucsd.edu/~ricko/CSE30/Midterm.fa12.pdf>





## Question 30

What is the output of the following program?

```
int f(int x, int *y) {
    x += 2;  *y += 1;
    return x + *y;
}
int g(int *x, int y) {
    y = ++*x;
    return *x + y;
}
int main( ) {
    int x = 2, y = 3;
    printf("%d    ", f(x, &y));
    printf("%d    ", g(&x, y));
    printf("%d    %d \n", x, y);
    return 0;
}
```

(A) 8 6 3 4

(C) 8 6 3 3

(B) 8 10 4 4

(D) 8 10 3 4





## Question 31

Let  $f$  be the following C function:

```
void f(char *p)
{
    char *q = p;

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

What modification does  $f$  perform to the string that is passed to it?





## Question 32

What will be the contents of the **a** array after the following statements are executed?

```
#define N 10

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

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

    return 0;
}
```





- Lesson?
  - Using anything but the standard `*p++`, `(*p)++` causes more problems than it solves!

<https://inst.eecs.berkeley.edu/~cs61c/fa13/lec/04LecF13CIntroIIX2.pdf>

