#### realloc

- ▶ attempts to reallocate an block of memory that was previously allocated by malloc, calloc, or realloc
  - the memory must not have been freed
  - void \*realloc(void \*ptr, size\_t new\_size)
    - ptr : pointer to memory are to be reallocated
    - new\_size : non-zero, new size of array in bytes (undefined behavior if zero)
- on success, returns a pointer to the newly allocated memory
- on failure, returns a null pointer
  - original pointer remains valid and should still be deallocated using free when no longer needed

#### realloc

- ▶ if reallocation succeeds, then the contents of the original array that fit into the reallocated memory are preserved
  - any excess memory is not initialized

```
#include<stdio.h>
#include<stdlib.h>
// array_realloc.c
void print(size_t n, int arr[n]) {     // same as previous
int *make_array(size_t n) {
    int *arr = malloc(sizeof(int[n]));
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
        arr[i] = i;
    return arr;
```

```
int main(void) {
    puts("Enter an array size less than 20");
    size t n = 0;
    int result = scanf("%lu", &n);
    int *arr = NULL;
    if (result == 1 && n < 20) {
        arr = make_array(n);
        print(n, arr);
    puts("Enter an array size less than 20");
    result = scanf("%lu", &n);
    if (result == 1 && n < 20) {
        int *r_arr = realloc(arr, n * sizeof(int));
        if (r_arr) {
            arr = r arr;
        print(n, arr);
    free(arr);
    return 0;
```

# typedef

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- the typedef declaration provides a way to declare an identifier as a type alias, to be used to replace a possibly complex type name
  - does not create a new type, simply says that the alias can be used in place of the actual type
- syntax:

typedef type alias

where *type* is an existing type and *alias* is the new alias for the existing type

Some types in the standard library are actually aliases created using **typedef**:

```
typedef long unsigned int size_t; // size of an object
typedef long int ptrdiff_t;  // pointer difference
```

# typedef

 typedef is usually used to simplify writing complicated types and to provide incomplete types

```
// int_ptr_t is a pointer to an int
typedef int *int_ptr_t;
// f_ptr_t is a pointer to a function that returns
// an int and has two int parameters
typedef int (*f_ptr_t)(int, int);
// list is an alias for struct list
typedef struct list list;
```

```
#include<stdio.h>
#include<stdlib.h>
// array_malloc_typedef.c
typedef int *int_ptr_t;
void print(size_t n, int arr[n]) { // same as previous
int_ptr_t make_array(size_t n) {
    int_ptr_t arr = malloc(n * sizeof(int));
    return arr;
```

```
int main(void) {
    puts("Enter an array size less than 20");
    size_t n = 0;
    int result = scanf("%lu", &n);
    if (result == 1 && n < 20) {
        int_ptr_t arr = make_array(n);
        print(n, arr);
        free(arr);
    return 0;
```

### Structures

#### **Structures**

- ▶ a structure, or struct, consists of one or members whose storage is allocated in an ordered sequence
  - ▶ i.e., a struct is a group of variables in one block of memory having a single name
- sort of like a Java class having no methods
- syntax

```
struct tag_name {
    type member1;
    type member2;
    // and so on
};
```

#### A two-dimensional point struct:

```
#include<stdio.h>
// struct_point2.c
struct point2 {
    double x;
    double y;
int main(void) {
    struct point2 p;
    printf("%f, %f\n", p.x, p.y);
```

## Type name of a struct

- the tag name of a struct is not a type
- instead, tags exist a different namespace than identifiers such as variables, typedef names, and function names
  - this means that you can have a tag and a variable with the same name
- you can think of

#### **struct** tagname

as being the type of a struct

usually easier to use a typedef

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#### Same example using a **typedef**:

```
#include<stdio.h>
// struct_point2.c
struct point2 {
    double x;
    double y;
};
typedef struct point2;
int main(void) {
    point2 p;
    printf("%f, %f\n", p.x, p.y);
```

# Initializing members

- struct members can be initialized using a syntax similar to array initialization
  - the values for the members can be given as a comma separated list inside of braces
    - list of initializers cannot be empty
  - the member variable names are optional
    - must preceded by a . if given
      - □ order does not need to match the order that the members are listed if the member variables are given
- members not explicitly initialized are zero-initialized

```
#include<stdio.h>
// struct_point2_2.c
struct point2 {
    double x;
    double y;
};
typedef struct point2;
int main(void) {
    point2 p = \{ 2.0, 3.0 \};
    printf("p: %f, %f\n", p.x, p.y);
    point2 q = \{ .x = 1.0, .y = 1.5 \};
    printf("q: %f, %f\n", q.x, q.y);
    point2 r = \{ .y = -3.1 \};
    printf("r: %f, %f\n", r.x, r.y);
```

## Accessing members

- if you have a struct object, you can access a member using the . operator
- if you have a pointer to a struct object, you can access a member using the -> operator
  - dereferences the pointer to struct and then accesses the member

```
#include<stdio.h>
// struct_point2_3.c
struct point2 {
    double x;
    double y;
};
typedef struct point2;
int main(void) {
    point2 p = { 2.0, 3.0 };
    printf("p: %f, %f\n", p.x, p.y);
    point2 *ptr = &p;
    ptr->x = 200.0;
    ptr->y = 300.0;
    printf("p: %f, %f\n", p.x, p.y);
```

## Assignment

- a struct may be assigned to another struct
- result is a member-wise copy
  - if the struct contains a pointer, then you have two struct objects with a pointer that points to the same object

```
#include<stdio.h>
// struct_point2_4.c
struct point2 {
    double x;
    double y;
};
typedef struct point2;
int main(void) {
    point2 p = \{ 2.0, \overline{3.0} \};
    printf("p: %f, %f\n", p.x, p.y);
    point2 q;
    printf("q: %f, %f\n", q.x, q.y);
    q = p;
    printf("q: %f, %f\n", q.x, q.y);
    q.x = 200.0;
    q.y = 300.0;
    printf("p: %f, %f\n", p.x, p.y);
    printf("q: %f, %f\n", q.x, q.y);
```

## Dynamic allocation of struct

- memory for a struct may be dynamically allocated
  - simply use sizeof to get the struct size

```
#include<stdio.h>
#include<stdlib.h>
// struct_point2_5.c
struct point2 {
    double x;
    double y;
};
typedef struct point2;
int main(void) {
    point2 *p = malloc(sizeof(point2));
    p->x = 100.0;
    p->y = 200.0;
    printf("p: %f, %f\n", p->x, p->y);
```

# Comparing structs for equality

- C has no built-in mechanism for comparing structs for equality
  - > == and != are not defined for structs
- if you need to do this, then you have to decide what equality means for your struct type and then compare the relevant members
  - if you need to do this more than once, then you should write a function

```
#include<stdio.h>
#include<stdlib.h>
// struct_point2_6.c
struct point2 {
    double x;
    double y;
};
typedef struct point2;
int main(void) {
    point2 *p = malloc(sizeof(point2));
    p->x = 100.0;
    p->y = 200.0;
    point2 q = { p->x, p->y };
    if ((*p).x == q.x \&\& (*p).y == q.y) {
        puts("*p and q objects have the same coordinates");
```

# Organization of a C program

#### Header files

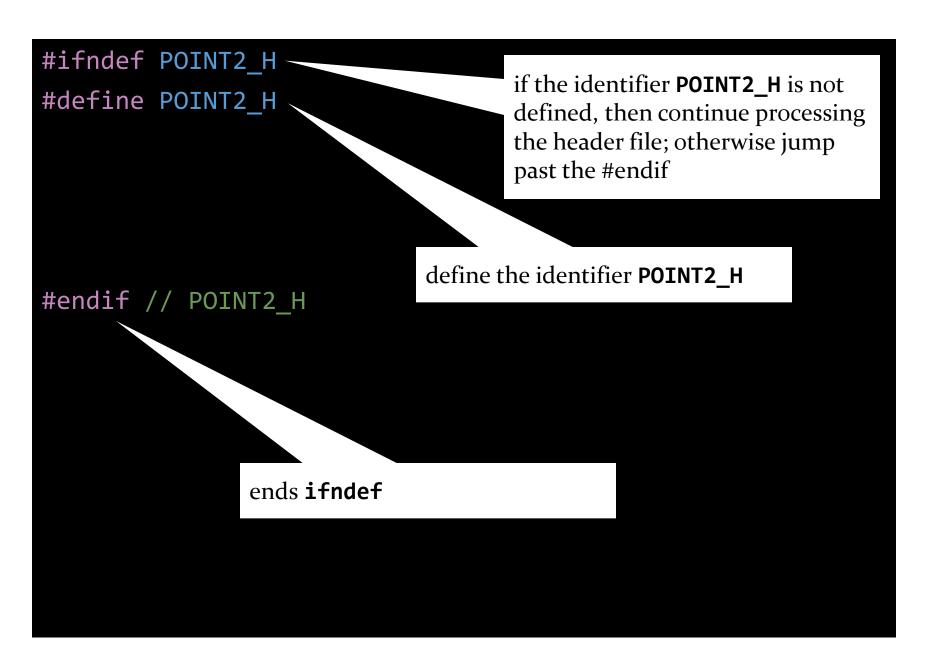
- when creating a new type such as point2, it is often the case that you create functions to accompany the type
  - in Java, you would bundle the fields and methods into a class
- ▶ in C, you can place the type declaration and function declarations in a file called a *header* file
  - has extension .h
  - any C source code file that uses your type includes the header file for your type
- the definition of the functions are placed in a separate
   C source code file

# point2 functions

- point2\_move(point2 \*p, double dx, double dy)
  - moves a point
- point2\_mult(point2 \*p, double s)
  - multiplies coordinates by s
- point2\_equals(const point2 p, const point2 q)
  - test if two points have the same coordinates
- point2\_to\_string(const point2 p)
  - returns a string representation of a point

## Include guard

- every header file should have an include guard
  - prevents the header file from being included more than once in a compilation unit
- traditionally implemented using preprocessor directives
  - https://en.cppreference.com/w/c/preprocessor



```
#ifndef POINT2_H
#define POINT2_H
#include <stdbool.h>
struct point2 {
    double x;
    double y;
};
typedef struct point2;
void point2_move(point2 *p, double dx, double dy);
void point2 mult(point2 *p, double s);
bool point2_equals(const point2 p, const point2 q);
char *point2_to_string(const point2 p);
#endif // POINT2_H
```

#### Source code file

▶ a separate C source code file contains the definition of the functions

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include "point2.h" 
                                       Header files that are not part of
                                       the C standard library are
                                       included using ""
```

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include "point2.h"
void point2_move(point2 *p, double dx, double dy) {
    p \rightarrow x += dx;
    p \rightarrow y += dy;
void point2_mult(point2 *p, double s) {
    p \rightarrow x *= s;
    p \rightarrow y *= s;
bool point2_equals(const point2 p, const point2 q) {
    // does not handle NaN coordinates correctly
    return p.x == q.x \&\& p.y == q.y;
```

```
char *point2 to string(const point2 p) {
   // allocate a buffer large enough for returned string
   // ~15 chars for a double using scientific notation
   // 2 chars for leading ( and trailing )
   // 2 chars for , separator
   const int BUF SZ = 15 * 2 + 4;
   char *buf = malloc(BUF SZ);
   if (!buf) {
       return NULL;
   int n = sprintf(buf, "(%g, %g)", p.x, p.y);
   if (n < 0 | n >= BUF_SZ) {
       free(buf);
        return NULL;
   return buf;
```