

CS 354 - Machine Organization & Programming

Tuesday Jan 31 and Thursday Feb 2nd, 2023

Project p1: DUE on or before Friday 2/11 (get it done and submit this week if possible)

Project p2A: Released Friday and due on or before Friday 2/18 p2B will overlap

Homework hw1: Assigned soon

Exam Conflicts (check entire semester): Report by 2/11 to: <http://tiny.cc/cs354-conflicts>

TA Lab Consulting & PM Activities are scheduled. See links on course front page.

Last Week

Welcome Course Infor Getting Started in Linux EDIT COMPILE, RUN, DEBUG(see recordings)	C Program Structure (L2-6) C Logical Control Flow Recall Variables Meet Pointers Practice Pointers
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This Week

Tuesday	Thursday
Practice Pointers (from L02) Recall 1D Arrays 1D Arrays and Pointers Passing Addresses	1D Arrays on the Heap Pointer Caveats Meet C Strings Meet <code>string.h</code>
Read before Thursday K&R Ch. 7.8.5: Storage Management (malloc and calloc) K&R Ch. 5.5: Character Pointers and Functions K&R Ch. 5.6: Pointer Arrays; Pointers to Pointers	

Next Week

Topic: 2D Arrays and Pointers

Read:

K&R Ch. 5.7: Multi-dimensional Arrays

K&R Ch. 5.8: Initialization of Pointer Arrays

K&R Ch. 5.9: Pointers vs. Multi-dimensional Arrays

K&R Ch. 5.10: Command-line Arguments

Do: Finish project p1 (handin this week Friday to ensure time on p2A next week)

Start project p2A

Recall 1D Arrays

What? An array is

- ♦ a compound unit of storage having parts called elements
- ♦ accessed using identifiers and index (sometimes called offset)
- ♦ allocated as a contiguous fixed size block of memory

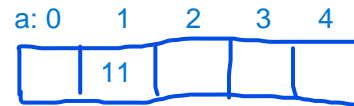
Why?

- ♦ to store a collection of data of the same type with fast access
- ♦ easier than declaring individual variables for each item

How?

a is NOT a pointer
stores address of
element 0 of the
array, but can't
be changed

```
void someFunction() {  
    int a[5];
```



→ How many integer elements have been allocated memory? 5

→ Where in memory was the array allocation made? STACK (different from java)

→ Write the code that gives the element at index 1 a value of 11.

```
a[1] = 11;
```

→ Draw a basic memory diagram showing array a.

✳ In C, the identifier for a stack allocated array (SAA) IS NOT A VARIABLE!

✳ A SAA identifier used as a source operand

```
e.g., printf("%p\n", a); // 0x __
```

✳ A SAA identifier used as a destination operand results in an error!

~~a =~~

cannot change value of a (causes compiler error)

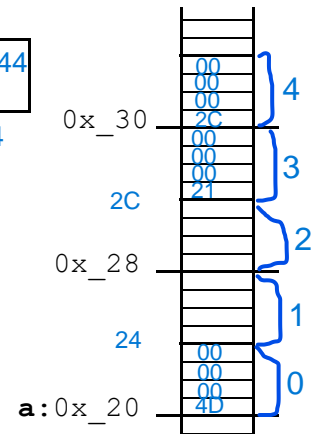
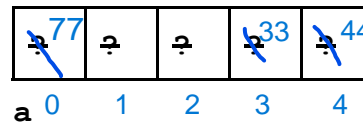
1D Arrays and Pointers

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BASIC STACK

Given:

```
void someFunction(){
    int a[5];
```



Address Arithmetic is FAST!

* $a[i] \equiv *(a+i)$

scaled index

$i*4$ for int
 $i*1$ for char
 $i*8$ for double

1. compute the address

start at beginning address
 add byte offset to get element i
 offset is scaled by size of (element type)

2. dereference the computed address to access the element

Note: parentheses are required
 because $*$ has higher precedence than addition

~~$*a+i$~~ $*(a+i)$

→ Write address arithmetic code to give the element at index 3 a value of 33.

$*(a+3) = 33$

→ Write address arithmetic code equivalent to $a[0] = 77;$

$*(a + 0) = 77$

$*(a) = 77$

$*a = 77$

~~$a = 77$~~

Using a Pointer

→ Write the code to create a pointer p having the address of array a above.

$\text{int } *p = a; \text{//\&a}$

$\text{int } *p; p = a;$

→ Write the code that uses p to give the element in a at index 4 a value of 44.

$*(p + 4) = 44$

* In C, pointers and arrays are closely related but not the same

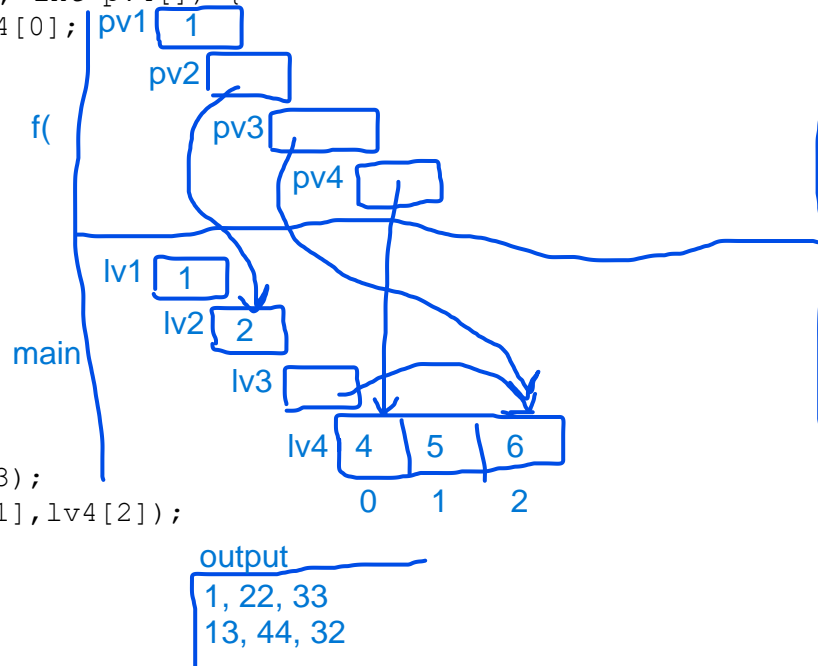
Passing Addresses

Recall Call Stack Tracing:

- ♦ manually trace code with functions in a manner that mimics the machine
- ♦ each function gets a box, called a "stack frame" which stores: parameters, local variables, temp variables, ... and more
- ♦ "top" box is running function those below are waiting for callee to return

➤ What is output by the code below?

```
void f(int pv1, int *pv2, int *pv3, int pv4[]) {  
    int lv = pv1 + *pv2 + *pv3 + pv4[0];  
    pv1 = 11;  
    *pv2 = 22;  
    *pv3 = 33;  
    pv4[0] = lv;  
    pv4[1] = 44;  
}  
  
int main(void) {  
    int lv1 = 1, lv2 = 2;  
    int *lv3;  
    int lv4[] = {4,5,6};  
    lv3 = lv4 + 2;  
    f(lv1, &lv2, lv3, lv4);  
    printf("%i,%i,%i\n",lv1,lv2,*lv3);  
    printf("%i,%i,%i\n",lv4[0],lv4[1],lv4[2]);  
    return 0;  
}
```



Pass-by-Value

- ♦ scalars: param is a scalar variable that gets a copy of its scalar argument
- ♦ pointers: param is a pointer variable that gets copy of address argument
- ♦ arrays: param is a pointer variable that gets a copy of any address (as long as it's the right type)

✳ *Changing a callee's parameter* changes callee's copy, not caller's value

✳ *Passing an address* requires TRUST, because callee can change caller value

1D Arrays on the Heap (like java)

What? Two key memory segments used by a program are the

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static (fixed in size) allocations

allocation size known during compile time

and HEAP

dynamic allocation during runtime

Why? Heap memory enables

- ♦ access to more than available at compile time
- ♦ having blocks of memory to be allocated and freed

How? `#include <stdlib.h>`

`void* malloc(size_in_bytes)` memory allocator

function reserves a block of heap memory of specified size

returns a generic pointer

`void free(void* ptr)`

frees the heap block that pointer points to

`sizeof(operand)` returns the size in bytes of the operand

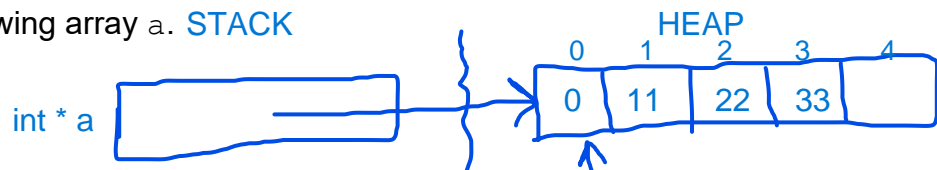
→ For IA-32 (x86), what value is returned by `sizeof(double)`? `sizeof(char)`? `sizeof(int)`?
8 1 4

→ Write the code to dynamically allocate an integer array named `a` having 5 elements.

```
void someFunction() {
```

```
    int * a = malloc(sizeof(int) * 5);
```

→ Draw a memory diagram showing array `a`. STACK



→ Write the code that gives the element at indexes 0, 1 and 2 a values of 0, 11 and 22 by using pointer dereferencing, indexing, and address arithmetic respectively.

dereferencing: `*a = 0;`

indexing: `a[1] = 11;`

address arithmetic: `*(a+2) = 22;`

→ Write the code that uses a pointer named `p` to give the element at index 3 a value of 33.

```
int *p = a;  
*(p+3) = 33;
```

→ Write the code that frees array `a`'s heap memory.

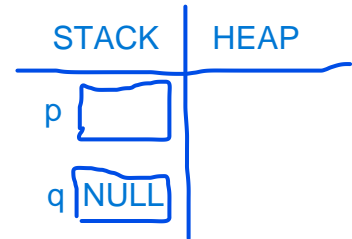
```
free(a);
```

Pointer Caveats

✳ Don't dereference uninitialized or NULL pointers!

```
int *p;
*p = 11;

int *q = NULL;
*q = 11;
```

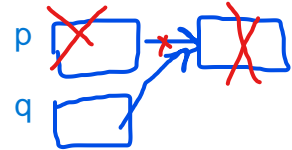


✳ Don't dereference freed pointers!

```
int *p = malloc(sizeof(int));
int *q = p;

. . .
free(p);

. . .
*q = 11; //SEG FAULT
        //or intermittent error
```



dangling pointer: A pointer with address to heap memory that has been freed in the above example, q is a dangling pointer

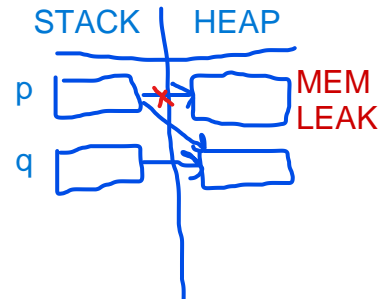
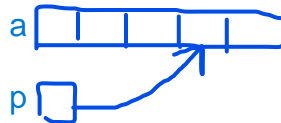
✳ Watch out for heap memory leaks!

memory leak: heap memory that is unusable since not freed properly

```
int *p = malloc(sizeof(int));
int *q = malloc(sizeof(int));

. . .
p = q;
```

after free(a);
p is dangling ptr



✳ Be careful with testing for equality!

assume p and q are pointers

`p = q` compares nothing because it's assignment

`p == q` compares values in pointers

`*p == *q` compares values in pointees

✳ Don't return addresses of local variables! Why not? because they are local to function and are freed when function ends

```
int *ex1() {
    int i = 11; //local variable
    return &i; //memory not available after function ends
}
```

```
int *ex2(int size) {
    int a[size]; //stack allocated array, local to function
    return a;    //not available after function ends
}
```

Meet "C Strings"

What? A "C String" string is

- ♦ a sequence of characters with a null terminating character '\0'
- ♦ allocated as 1D array of characters with min size = str length + 1

What? A string literal is

- ♦ a constant source code String ex. "CS 354"
- ♦ allocated prior to execution in the CODE segment (not stack or heap)

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* In most cases, a string literal used as a source operand provides its starting address

How? Initialization

```
void someFunction() {  
    char *sptr = "CS 354";  
                string literal  
}
```

→ Draw the memory diagram for sptr.

→ Draw the memory diagram for str below.

```
char str[9] = "CS 354";
```

→ During execution, where is str allocated?
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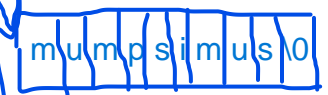
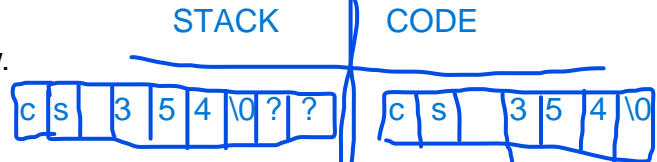
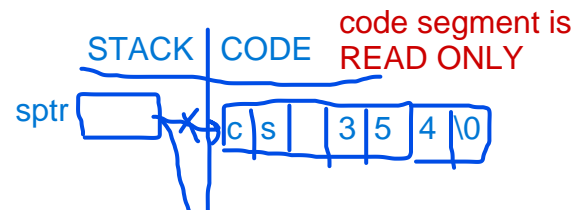
How? Assignment

→ Given str and sptr declared in somefunction above, what happens with the following code?

```
sptr = "mumpsimus"; OK
```

```
str = "folderol"; //COMPILER ERROR  
                //cannot assign to stack allocated array
```

* *Caveat: Assignment cannot be used to copy character arrays*



Meet `string.h`

What? `string.h` is a collection of useful functions to manipulate C strings

```
int strlen(const char *str)
```

Returns the length of string `str` up to but *not* including the null character.

```
int strcmp(const char *str1, const char *str2) like java compareTo()
```

Compares the string pointed to by `str1` to the string pointed to by `str2`.

returns: < 0 (a negative) if `str1` comes before `str2`
0 if `str1` is the same as `str2`
> 0 (a positive) if `str1` comes after `str2`

```
char *strcpy(char *dest, const char *src)
```

Copies the string pointed to by `src` to the memory pointed to by `dest` and terminates with the null character.

```
char *strcat(char *dest, const char *src)
```

Appends the string pointed to by `src` to the end of the string pointed to by `dest` and terminates with the null character.

✱ *Ensure the destination character array* is large enough for the result and '\0' otherwise causes buffer overflow

buffer overflow: exceeding bounds of the array

How? `strcpy`

→ Given `str` and `sptr` as declared in `somefunction` on the previous page, what happens with the following code?

```
strcpy(str, "folderol"); NO PROBLEM
```

```
strcpy(str, "formication"); BUFFER OVERFLOW
```

```
strcpy(sptr, "vomitory"); SEG FAULT - CODE segment is read-only
```

✱ *Rather than assignment, `strcpy` (or `strncpy`) must be used to*
copy from one char array to another

✱ *Caveat: Beware of* buffer overflow and attempting write to code segment