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▷ typedef continued

We can use typedef with the structure definition ex.

```
typedef struct Name {
```

```
    char first [20];
```

```
    char last [20];
```

```
} Name;
```

you don't need this

same as

```
typedef struct {  
    char first [20];  
    char last [20];  
} Name;
```

OK ✓ Name n;

OK ✓ struct Name n2;

- we can define a structure types and create variables of that type all at once. ex.

```
struct Name {
```

```
    char first [20];
```

```
    char last [20];
```

```
} n, a[10], *p;
```

a struct Name

array of struct Name

pointer to struct Name

▷ Lifetime of objects

- the lifetime of a global (external) variable is the duration of the program

- lifetime of a local variable is the duration of the block in which it is created.

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```
int n = 1; /* external variable : lifetime of duration  
of the program */  
int main(void){
```

```
    if(...){
```

```
        int x = 2;
```

```
        ...
```

```
    } /* x is destroyed here */
```

```
}
```

- dynamic memory allows us to have finer control of lifetimes

▷ 4 functions to handle DYNAMIC MEMORY #include <stdlib.h>

- will put ϕ s in memory
- 1) malloc] for allocating dynamic memory
 - 2) calloc
 - 3) realloc typically used to resize dynamic memory
 - 4) free for deallocating dynamic memory

ex. allocate dynamic memory to store 100 ints

```
#include <stdlib.h>
```

```
int *p; size_t i;
```

```
p = malloc(100 * sizeof(int));
```

```
if (p ==  $\phi$ ) { null pointer
```

```
    fprintf(stderr, "unable to allocate memory");
```

```
    exit(1); /* returns # upon exit + terminates program */
```

```
}
```

```
for (i = 0; i < 100; i++)
```

```
    p[i] = 3 * i; /* using dynamic memory */
```

```
free(p); /* deallocate memory after we are done */
```

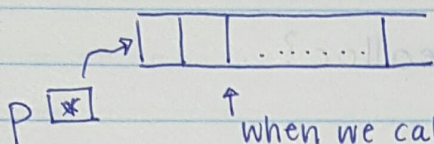
using pointer
like an array

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NULL is a macro, which is defined as \emptyset .

There is a special pointer value called the NULL POINTER. It can be denoted as NULL or simply as \emptyset .

Note: Never dereference the null pointer! Program will crash



↑
when we call `free(p)`,
this block of memory
is deallocated. But
the address is unchanged!

← continued from
above code

- memory allocated by malloc is random values
- calloc: this allocates memory and zeros them out.

```
int *p;           # of elements   size of each element
p = calloc (100, sizeof(int));
if (p == 0) {
    ...
}
```

- realloc

```
int *temp;
int *p;
p = malloc (100 * sizeof(int));
if (p == 0) {
    exit(1);
} /* we want to resize it to 200 int */
temp = realloc (p, 200 * sizeof(int));
/* pointer to original block of memory */
/* new size */
if (temp == 0) {
    fprintf(stderr, "reallocation failed");
    cont...
```

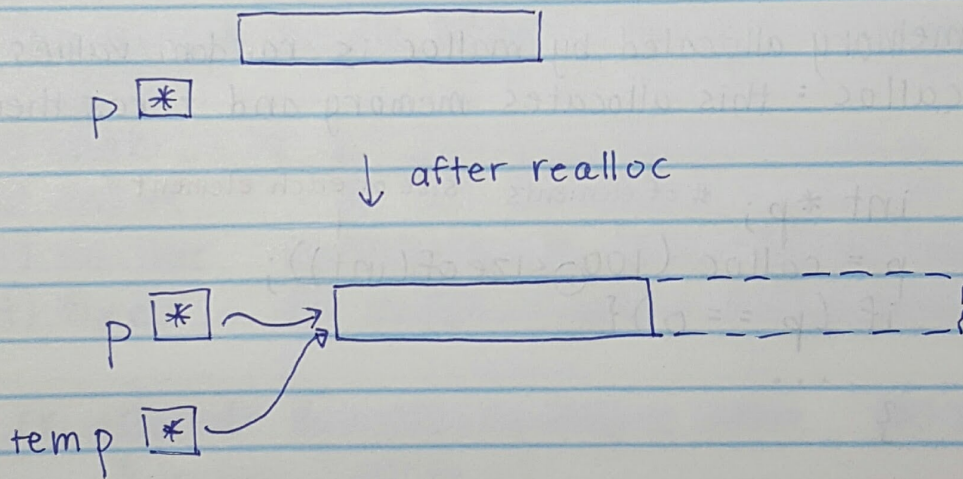

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cont. `/* We can continue to use p (original block of ints) */`
`{ else {`
`p = temp;`
`/* use p which now points to a block of 200 ints */`
`}`

What happens when we call realloc?

3 cases:

- 1) realloc fails
- 2) the system can find sufficient memory next to the original block



- 3) the system cannot find sufficient memory next to the original block

