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## **Software Description:**

In this software, we were instructed to make a C++ program that contains two types of arrays: one array contains a list of twenty pointers pointing to a char variable and another array contains the number of char variables that will be displayed. The number of the char variable created is made by a recursive equation that was given:

$$f(0) = 2700$$
  
 $f(n) = 2 * f(n-1)$ 

Setting up the program I used the ASCII to get me the char variables and added randomly into the array. Afterwards, I asked the user to select from a menu to either access a specific pointer, show a list of deallocated index of the pointer, deallocate all the memory, or exit the program. Inside the access of a specific pointer I requested the user to pick a specific pointers from a list of one through twenty. Once that is done I displayed a new menu telling them to either print the first ten characters, delete all char variables specific to that pointer, or return to the main menu.

If a allocated memory index is deleted and is recalled again, the program initializes that specific pointer or refills that pointer with random characters per basis

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// Brian Pham
// main.cpp
#include <iostream>
#include <cstdlib>
#include <time.h>
using namespace std;
int recursiveFunction(int);
bool validateInput(string);
int main()
 // Setup variables
  int arraySize = 20;
                            //set array size to 20
  bool menuStatus = true;
                                //main menu ends or not
  bool subMenuStatus;
                                //sub menu ends or not
  bool pointerAccessMenu;
                                 //inside the sub menu option ends or not
  string decision;
                           //user description
  int arrayInteger[arraySize]; //setting up the array for numbers of
  char* ptrChar[arraySize];
                               //setting up the character array
                         //random
  int rand();
  srand (time(NULL));
                              //time set
 // setting up the arrays
 for (int i = 0; i < arraySize; i++)
    arrayInteger[i] = recursiveFunction(i);
    ptrChar[i] = new char[arrayInteger[i]];
    for (int j = 0; j < arrayInteger[i]; j++)
       ptrChar[i][j] = char(rand()%26 + 65);
    }
 }
 //start of the menu
  while (menuStatus)
 {
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string mainMenu = "(1) Access a pointer \n(2) List deallocated memory (index) \n(3) Deallocate all
memory \n(4) Exit Program \nPlease enter your choice: ";
    cout << mainMenu;
    cin >> decision;
    cout << "\n";
    subMenuStatus = validateInput(decision);
    if (subMenuStatus)
      int decisionValue = stoi(decision);
       switch (decisionValue)
      {
         case 1: //accessing specific pointers
           while (subMenuStatus)
              cout << "Which pointers to
access?\n\t1\t2\t3\t4\t5\n\t6\t7\t8\t9\t10\n\t11\t12\t13\t14\t15\n\t16\t17\t18\t19\t20\nYour Input: ";
              cin >> decision;
              cout << "\n";
              if (validateInput(decision))
                 decisionValue = stoi(decision);
                 if (decisionValue > 0 && decisionValue < 21)
                   if (ptrChar[decisionValue-1] != NULL)
                   {
                      pointerAccessMenu = true;
                      while (pointerAccessMenu)
                        cout << "What would you like to do with pointer " << decisionValue << "?\n\t1.
Print the first 10 Char\n\t2. Delete all the Char in pointer and return to Main Menu\n\t3. Return to Main
Menu\nYour Input: ";
                        cin >> decision;
                        cout << "\n";
                        if (validateInput(decision))
                           switch (stoi(decision))
                             case 1: //prints out the first 10 chars of the pointer
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                                cout << "First 10 chars at pointer " << decisionValue << " are: "";
                                for (int k=0; k < 9; k++)
                                   cout << ptrChar[decisionValue-1][k] << " - ";
                                cout << ptrChar[decisionValue-1][10];</pre>
                                cout <<"'\n\n";
                                break;
                              case 2: //deletes all chars at the pointer and returns user to the main page
                                cout << "Deleting all char at pointer "<<decisionValue<<"\n.... Going
back to the main menu ....\n"<<endl;
                                ptrChar[decisionValue-1] = NULL;
                                pointerAccessMenu = false;
                                subMenuStatus = false;
                                break:
                              case 3: //goes back to the main page
                                cout << "\n";
                                pointerAccessMenu = false;
                                subMenuStatus = false;
                                break;
                              default: //for all other values
                                cout << "Invalid Input!!! Please enter 1 - 3"<<endl;
                                break;
                              }
                           }
                        }
                        else
                        {
                           cout << "Invalid Input!! Please select a number, no other characters
allow!"<<endl;
                       }
                      }
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}
          else
          {
             cout << "Currently there is nothing in index value " << decisionValue << endl;
             cout << "Starting to refill all chars now ..... \n" << endl;
             ptrChar[decisionValue-1] = new char[arrayInteger[decisionValue-1]];
             for (int j = 0; j < arrayInteger[decisionValue-1]; j++)
             {
                ptrChar[decisionValue-1][j] = char(rand()%26 + 97);
             }
          }
        }
        else
          cout << "Invalid Input!!! Input must be a valid pointer number."<<endl;</pre>
        }
     }
     else
     {
        cout << "Invalid Input!!! Input must contain all number values."<<endl;</pre>
     }
  }
  break;
case 2: //printing a list of memories that has null as memory
  cout << "Deallocated Memory:";
  for (int i=0; i < arraySize; i++)
     cout << "\n\t" << i+1 << ". " << &ptrChar[i];
  }
  cout << "\n\n";
  break;
}
case 3: //deleting all memory
  cout << "Deallocating All Memory.....\n" << endl;</pre>
  for (int i=0; i < arraySize; i++)
  {
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ptrChar[i] = NULL;
            }
            break;
         }
          case 4: //ends the program
            cout << "Exiting Program...." << endl;
            for (int i = 0; i < (sizeof(arrayInteger)/sizeof(arrayInteger[0])); ++i)
               delete ptrChar[i];
            }
            menuStatus = false;
            break;
          default: //for all other outputs
            cout << "Invalid input!!! please choose one of the 4 options!" << endl;</pre>
            break;
         }
       }
    }
    else
       cout << "Invalid input!!! Input must be a number!" << endl;</pre>
       menuStatus = true;
    }
 }
}
// using the given equation provided
int recursiveFunction(int i)
 if (i == 0)
    return 2700;
 else
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{
    return recursiveFunction(i-1) * 2;
}

// Determines if the choice is a digit or letter
bool validateInput(string input)

{
    for (int i = 0; i < input.length(); i++)
    {
        char c = input[i];
        if (!isdigit(c))
        {
            return false;
        }
    }
    return true;
}</pre>
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