

CPE102 Programming II

Week 2

*Memory Layout of C program,
Generating Random Numbers,
and Recursive Functions*

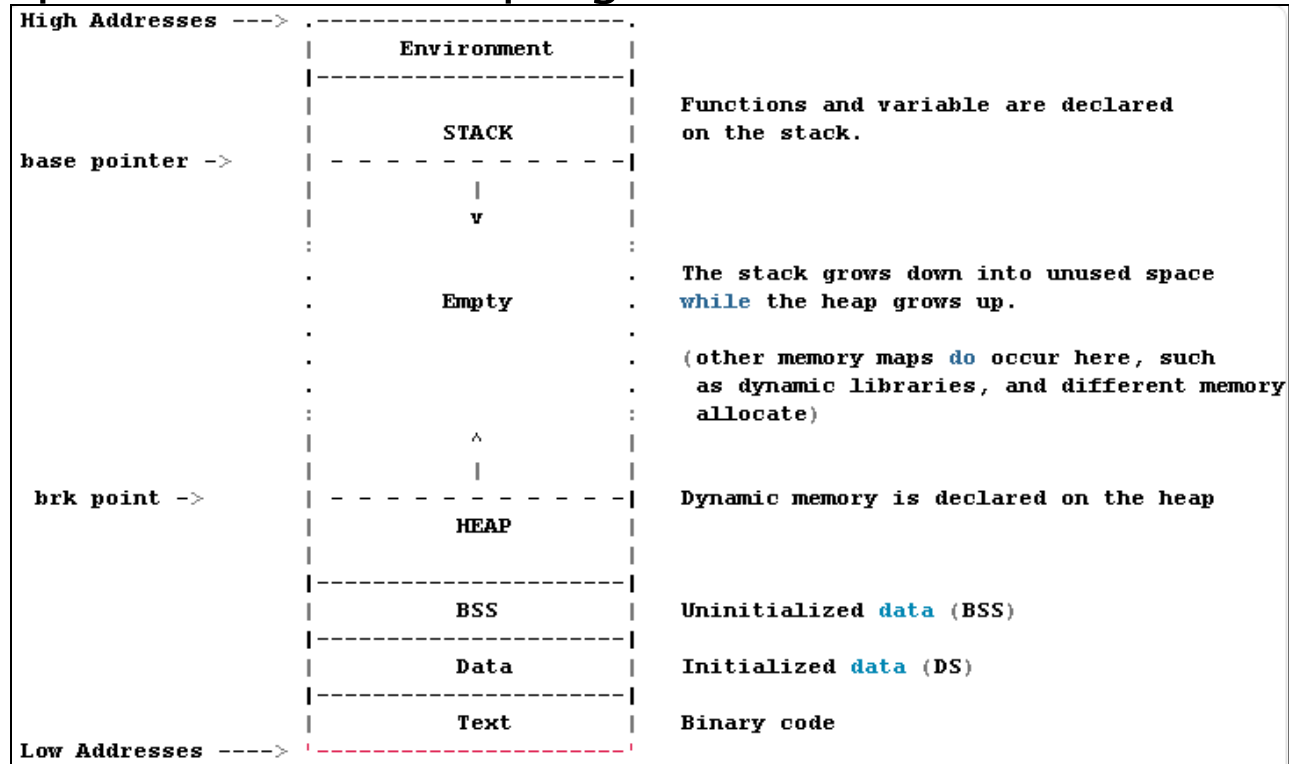


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Memory Layout of C Programs

- A typical memory representation of C program consists of following sections:

1. Text segment
2. Initialized data segment
3. Uninitialized data Segment
4. Heap
5. Stack



Memory Layout of C Programs

- ▶ **Text segment:** also known as a code segment or simply as text, is one of the sections of a program **in an object file or in memory**, which **contains executable instructions**.
- ▶ Usually, the text segment **is sharable** so that only **a single copy** needs to be in memory **for frequently executed programs**, such as text editors, the C compiler, the shells, and so on.
- ▶ Also, the text segment is **often read-only**, to **prevent** a program from **accidentally modifying its instructions**.

Memory Layout of C Programs

- ▶ **Initialized Data Segment (DS)** : A data segment is a portion of virtual address space of a program (memory), which contains the **global variables and static variables that are initialized by the programmer.**
- ▶ **Uninitialized Data Segment (BSS, block started by symbol)**: Data in this segment is **initialized by the kernel to arithmetic '0' (zero)** before the program starts executing uninitialized data starts at the end of the data segment and **contains all global variables and static variables that are initialized to zero or do not have explicit initialization** in source code.

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- ▶ **Stack**: where automatic variables are stored, along with information that is saved each time a function is called (local variables, parameters, and return values).
- ▶ It is located at a higher address and grows and shrinks opposite to the heap segment.
- ▶ A stack frame is created in the stack when a function is called.
- ▶ Each function has one stack frame.
- ▶ Stack frames contain a function's local variables, arguments and return value.
- ▶ This is how recursive functions in C can work.
- ▶ Each time a recursive function calls itself, a new stack frame is used, so one set of variables doesn't interfere with the variables from another instance of the function.
- ▶ Elements in a stack are added(push) or removed(pop) from the top of the stack, in a "last in , first out" or LIFO order.

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- ▶ **Heap:** It is used to **allocate the memory at run time** (dynamic memory allocation: a procedure in which the size of a data structure (like Array) is changed during the runtime).
- ▶ Heap area is **managed by memory management functions** like malloc, realloc, and free.

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

```
int global; /* Uninitialized variable stored in bss*/
```

```
int main(void)
```

```
{
```

```
    int *ptr_one;
```

```
    ptr_one = (int *)malloc(sizeof(int)); /* memory allocating in heap segment */
```

```
    int c; //local variable stored in stack
```

```
    static int i = 100; /* Initialized static variable stored in DS*/
```

```
    static int k; /* Initialized static variable stored in bss*/
```

```
    return 0;
```

```
}
```

Random Number Generator

- ▶ `rand` function
- ▶ `<stdlib.h>` library is needed
- ▶ Returns a “random” number between 0 and `RAND_MAX` (at least 32767–max value for 16 bit integer)
- ▶ `RAND_MAX` is a symbolic constant defined in `<stdlib.h>`.
- ▶ Every number between 0 and `RAND_MAX` has equal probability of being chosen.
- ▶ The range of values produced by `rand` varies by what is needed in application.

Random Number Generator

- ▶ Program simulating **coin tossing** might require only 1 for tails or 0 for heads.
- ▶ A **dice rolling** program that simulates six-sided die would requires random integers from 1 to 6.
- ▶ **Scaling:**
 - Values generated by rand is always between 0 and RAND_MAX
 - $0 \leq \text{rand}() \leq \text{RAND_MAX}$
 - Use remainder % operator with rand function for example to produce numbers between 0 and 5. It is called scaling.
 - **rand() % 6**
 - The number 6 is called **scaling factor**



Random Number Generator

- ▶ To shift the range just add 1 to the produced result.
- ▶ `randNumber = 1 + rand() % 6` produces numbers $1 \leq \text{randNumber} \leq 6$
- ▶ General rule: `n = a + rand() % b ;`
 - **a is shifting value** (First number in desired range of consecutive integers)
 - **b is scaling factor** (Equal to the width of desired range of consecutive integers)

Scaled Random example (p206/ the book)

```
RandScaling.c X
1 //Fig. 5.11: fig05_11.c
2 //shifted, scaled random integers produced by 1 + rand() % 6.
3 #include <stdio.h>
4 #include <stdlib.h>
5 int main(void)
6 {
7     unsigned int i;
8     for( i = 1; i <= 20; ++i)
9     {
10         // pick random number from 1 to 6 and output it
11         printf( "%10d", 1 + (rand() % 6));
12         // if counter is divisible by 5, begin new line of output
13         if (i % 5 == 0)
14         {
15             puts( " " );
16         }
17     }
18 }
19 }
```

Outputs:

6	6	5	5	6
5	1	1	5	3
6	6	2	4	2
6	2	3	4	1

Random Number Generator Example:

- ▶ Sample Program: Simulating 6000 rolls of a die
- ▶ Each integer from 1 to 6 should appear approximately with equal likelihood (1000 times)

```
Rolling6000.c X
1 // Fig. 5.12: fig05_12.c
2 // Rolling a six-sided die 6000 times.
3 #include <stdio.h>
4 #include <stdlib.h>
5
6 int main(void)
7 {
8     unsigned int frequency1 = 0; // rolled 1 counter
9     unsigned int frequency2 = 0; // rolled 2 counter
10    unsigned int frequency3 = 0; // rolled 3 counter
11    unsigned int frequency4 = 0; // rolled 4 counter
12    unsigned int frequency5 = 0; // rolled 5 counter
13    unsigned int frequency6 = 0; // rolled 6 counter
14
15    // loop 6000 times and summarize results
16    for (unsigned int roll = 1; roll <= 6000; ++roll) {
17        int face = 1 + rand() % 6; // random number from 1 to 6
18
19        // determine face value and increment appropriate counter
20        switch (face) {
21            case 1: // rolled 1
22                ++frequency1;
23                break;
24
25            case 2: // rolled 2
26                ++frequency2;
27                break;
28
29            case 3: // rolled 3
30                ++frequency3;
31                break;
32
33            case 4: // rolled 4
34                ++frequency4;
35                break;
36
37            case 5: // rolled 5
38                ++frequency5;
39                break;
40
41            case 6: // rolled 6
42                ++frequency6;
43                break; // optional
44        }
45
46        // display results in tabular format
47        printf(" \n", "Face", "Frequency");
48        printf(" 1%13u\n", frequency1);
49        printf(" 2%13u\n", frequency2);
50        printf(" 3%13u\n", frequency3);
51        printf(" 4%13u\n", frequency4);
52        printf(" 5%13u\n", frequency5);
53        printf(" 6%13u\n", frequency6);
54    }
55
56 }
```

Outputs:

Face	Frequency
1	1003
2	1017
3	983
4	994
5	1004
6	999

Random Number Generator

- ▶ Function **rand** actually generates **pseudorandom** numbers
- ▶ Calling **rand** **repeatedly produces a sequence of numbers** that **appears to be random**.
- ▶ However, **sequence repeats itself** on each program execution
- ▶ **To produce different sequence of integers** on each program execution we use **srand** function
- ▶ **srand** takes an unsigned integer as an argument
- ▶ **srand seeds rand function** to **produce different sequence** of numbers on **each execution** of the program.

Use srand function example (p209/ the book)

```
RandomizeSeed.c X
1 // Fig. 5.13: fig05_13.c
2 // Randomizing the die-rolling program.
3 #include <stdio.h>
4 #include <stdlib.h>
5
6
7 int main(void) {
8     unsigned int seed;
9     // number used to seed the random number generator
10    printf("%s", "Enter seed: ");
11    scanf("%u", &seed);
12    // note %u for unsigned int
13    srand(seed);
14    // seed the random number generator
15    // loop 10 times
16    for (unsigned int i = 1; i <= 10; ++i) {
17        // pick a random number from 1 to 6 and output it
18        printf("%10d", 1 + (rand() % 6));
19        // if counter is divisible by 5, begin a new line of output
20        if (i % 5 == 0) {
21            puts("");
22        }
23    }
24 }
```

Enter seed: 67

6	1	4	6	2
1	6	1	6	4

Enter seed: 867

2	4	6	1	6
1	1	3	6	2

Enter seed: 67

6	1	4	6	2
1	6	1	6	4

Random Number Generator

- ▶ To generate a random number each time **without entering a seed value**
- ▶ **srand(time (NULL));**
 - Reads system clock to obtain the value for seed automatically
 - Function time return the **number of seconds** that have passed since midnight on January 1970
 - The **<time.h>** library is used for the time function.

Homework-1 (CRAPSGAME)



- ▶ Roll two dice(hint: use rand)
- ▶ Sum of the spots on two upward faces is calculated
- ▶ 7 or 11 on first throw player wins
- ▶ 2, 3 or 12 on first throw player loses
- ▶ First throw of 4,5,6,8,9,10 becomes players point.
- ▶ Player must roll his dices till he win or lose:
 - If he rolled his point before rolling 7 he wins, if he rolled 7 he loses.

Rules

- ▶ Upload your answer as c file to the first Assignment tag at <https://oys.karabuk.edu.tr/>
- ▶ Don't send homework to my email.
- ▶ You have from 10/3/2021 till 17/3/2021, no extension will given.
- ▶ Only one c file will be accepted.
- ▶ Don't use "enum", use only what we have learned till now + your previous knowledge from programming I.

Notes

Player wins on the first roll

Player rolled $5 + 6 = 11$
Player wins

Player wins on a subsequent roll

Player rolled $4 + 1 = 5$
Point is 5
Player rolled $6 + 2 = 8$
Player rolled $2 + 1 = 3$
Player rolled $3 + 2 = 5$
Player wins

Player loses on the first roll

Player rolled $1 + 1 = 2$
Player loses

Player loses on a subsequent roll

Player rolled $6 + 4 = 10$
Point is 10
Player rolled $3 + 4 = 7$
Player loses

Creating Large Programs

- ▶ Typically, a large program is written in a separate directory as a collection of .h and .c file, with each .c file contains one or more functions definition.
- ▶ In particular, the #include directive tells the pre-processor to go read in the contents of a particular file, and place the contents inside the file being compiled at this point. The effect is as if you copied one file and pasted it into the other.
- ▶ There are two common formats for #includes, as follows:
 - #include < libraryFile.h > // The angle brackets say to look in the standard system directories
 - #include " personalHeaders.h" // The quotation marks say to look in the current directory.
- ▶ If it cannot be found, preprocessor issues an error message and compilations stops.
- ▶ Files with .h extension can include #include, #define directives, struct structures, function prototypes.

Creating Large Programs

```
#include "pgm.h"

int main(void)
{
    int i;
    for (i = 0; i < N; i++)
        f2();

    return 0;
}
```

program.c

```
#include <stdio.h>
#define N 5

void f2(void)
{
    printf("Hello from f2()\n");
}
```

pgm.h

Recursion

- ▶ A **recursive function** is one that calls itself.
- ▶ If a **recursive function** is called with a **base case**(simplest case) it returns the result.
- ▶ If a function is called with a more **complex problem**(such as $5!$), the function **divides the problem** into **two conceptual pieces**:
 - **First**: a piece that function **know how** to do.
 - **Second**: a piece that function does **not know how** to do.
- ▶ The **second part** must **resemble** the **original problem**.
- ▶ The function **launches a new copy** of itself (**recursion step**) to solve what it does not know how to do.
- ▶ Eventually base case gets solved.

Recursion example

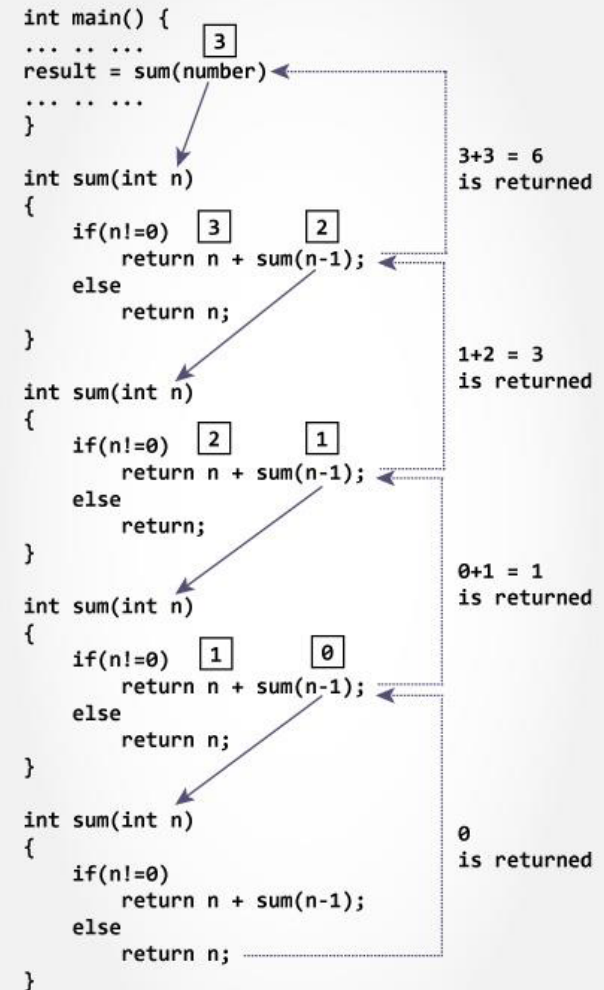
- ▶ Program that prints numbers from 1 to N on the screen with recursion.

```
RecursionN.c X
1  #include<stdio.h>
2
3  #define N 10
4
5  int PrintN(int n)
6  {
7      if(n== 0)
8          return 0;
9      PrintN(n-1);
10     printf("%d\n", n);
11 }
12
13 int main(void)
14 {
15     PrintN(N);
16     return 0;
17 }
18
```

Recursion example

- ▶ A recursive function that finds the sum of the numbers from 1 to N.

```
RecursionSum.c X
1  #include<stdio.h>
2
3  int sum(int n)
4  {
5      if (n!= 1)
6          return (n+ sum(n-1));
7      else
8          return n;
9  }
10
11 int main(void)
12 {
13     int N = 10;
14     printf("sum = %d", sum(N));
15     return 0;
16 }
```



Thanks 😊