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Chapter 11 Arrays, Addresses, and Pointers

- Lecture 11.02 Arrays and Pointers

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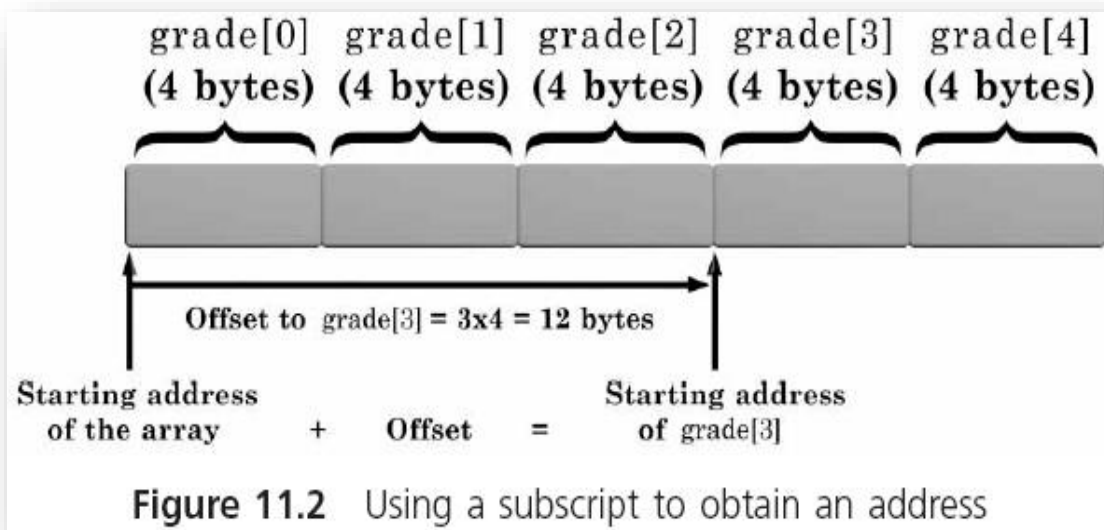


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- 11.1 Array Names as Pointers
- 11.2 Manipulating Pointers
- 11.3 Passing and Using Array Addresses
- 11.4 Processing Strings Using Pointers
- 11.5 Creating Strings Using Pointers
- 11.6 Common Programming and Compiler Errors

11.1 Array Names as Pointers

- The address of an array
 - The **starting address** of an array is called the **base address of the array**.
 - 数组的基地址就是首元素地址
 - The address of each successive element of the array is **offset** from the base by the size of the array type.



Name	Value	Type
&grade[0]	0x001ffbc4	int *
&grade[1]	0x001ffbc8	int *
&grade[2]	0x001ffbcc	int *
&grade[3]	0x001ffbd0	int *
&grade[4]	0x001ffbd4	int *

11.1 Array Names as Pointers

➤ Array Elements May be Accessed in Two Ways

Table 11.1 Array Elements May be Accessed in Two Ways

Array Element	Subscript Notation	Pointer Notation
Element 0	grade[0]	*gPtr
Element 1	grade[1]	*(gPtr + 1)
Element 2	grade[2]	*(gPtr + 2)
Element 3	grade[3]	*(gPtr + 3)
Element 4	grade[4]	*(gPtr + 4)

gPtr为数组
首元素指针

gPtr+1 为下一
个元素的指针

11.1 Array Names as Pointers

➤ Program 11.1 Subscript Notation 下标法引用数组元素

```
1. #include <stdio.h>
2. #define NUMELS 5
3. int main()
4. {
5.     int grade[] = {98, 87, 92, 79, 85};
6.     for (int i = 0; i < NUMELS; i++)
7.         printf("Element %d is %d\n", i, grade[i]);
8.     return 0;
9. }
```

11.1 Array Names as Pointers

➤ Program 11.2 指针法引用数组元素

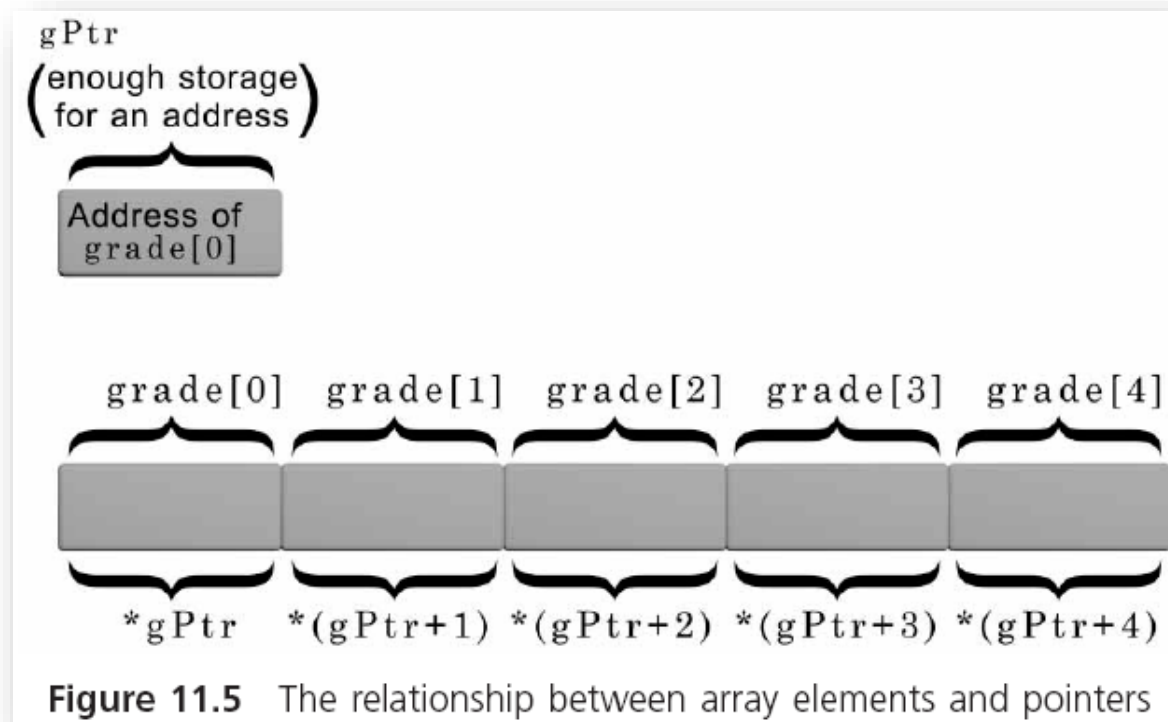
```
1.  #include <stdio.h>
2.  #define NUMELS 5
3.  int main(){
4.      int *gPtr; /* declare a pointer to an int */
5.      int grade[] = {98, 87, 92, 79, 85};
6.      /* store the starting array address */
7.      gPtr = &grade[0]; // gPtr = grade
8.      for (int i = 0; i < NUMELS; i++)
9.          printf("Element %d is %d\n", i, *(gPtr+i));
10.     return 0;
11. }
```

gPtr 为数组
首元素指针

gPtr+i 为第*i*个
元素的指针

11.1 Array Names as Pointers

- In C, adding 1 to a pointer makes the resulting *pointer point to the next Element of the array*.



Name	Value	Type
<input type="checkbox"/> &grade[0]	0x001efb84	int *
<input type="checkbox"/> &grade[1]	0x001efb88	int *
<input type="checkbox"/> &grade[2]	0x001efb8c	int *
<input type="checkbox"/> &grade[3]	0x001efb90	int *
<input type="checkbox"/> &grade[4]	0x001efb94	int *
<input type="checkbox"/> gPtr	0x001efb84	int *
<input type="checkbox"/> gPtr+1	0x001efb88	int *
<input type="checkbox"/> gPtr+2	0x001efb8c	int *
<input type="checkbox"/> gPtr+3	0x001efb90	int *
<input type="checkbox"/> gPtr+4	0x001efb94	int *

11.1 Array Names as Pointers

➤ Array Name as Pointer constant

- When an array is created, the compiler automatically creates an internal ***pointer constant*** (Array Name) for it and stores the base address of the array in this pointer

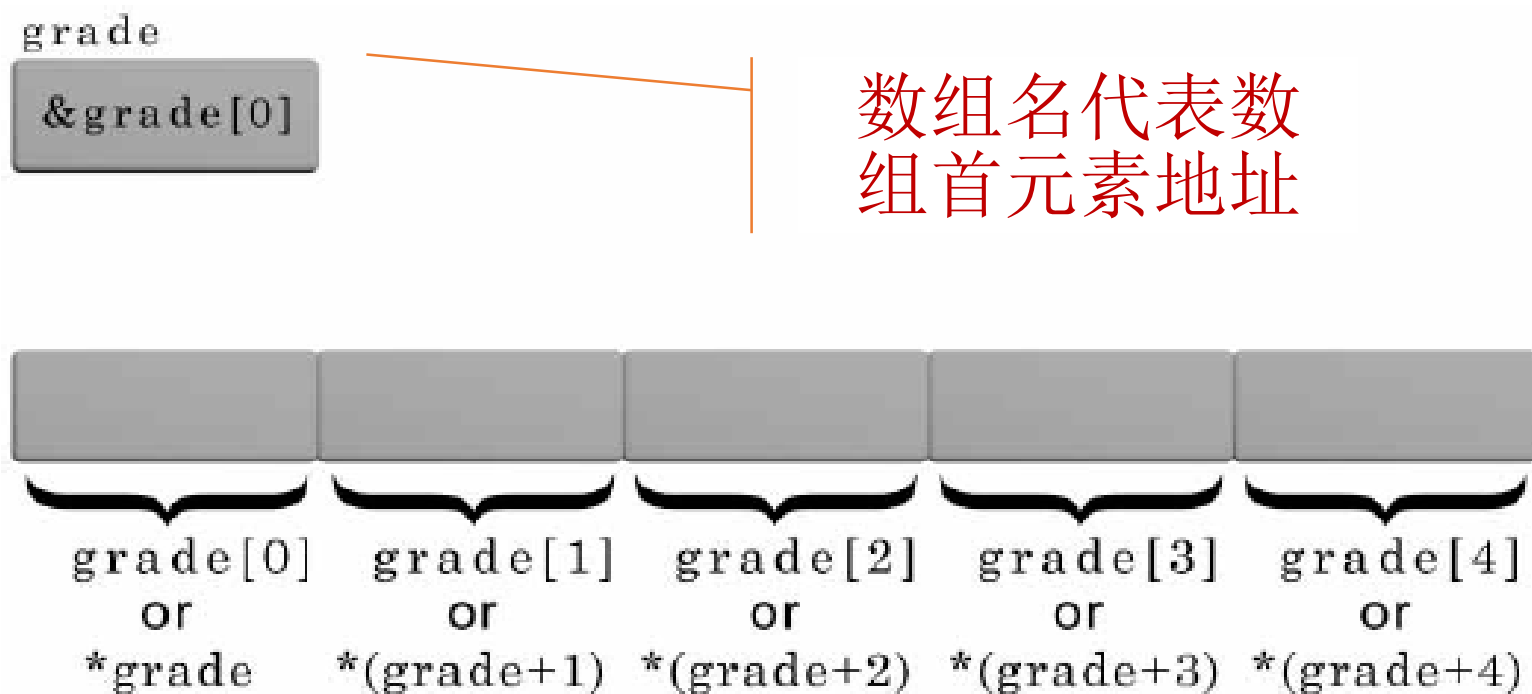


Figure 11.6 Creating an array also creates a pointer

11.1 Array Names as Pointers

➤ Program 11.3 Array Name as **Pointer constant**

```
1. #include <stdio.h>
2. #define NUMELS 5
3. int main()
4. {
5.     int grade[] = {98, 87, 92, 79, 85};
6.     for (int i = 0; i < NUMELS; i++)
7.         printf("Element %d is %d\n", i, *(grade + i));
8.     return 0;
9. }
```

地址法引用数组元素

11.1 Array Names as Pointers

➤ Array Name as Pointer constant

- In most respects **an array name** and **a pointer** can be used interchangeably
- An array name is **a pointer constant**
- `grade = &grade[2];` **//is invalid**
- **A pointer access can always be replaced using subscript notation**
- **numPtr[i]** is valid even if numPtr is a pointer variable

11.2 Manipulating Pointers

➤ Manipulating Pointers

— A pointer, constructed either as a variable or function parameter, contains a value: **an address**

- ① By **adding** numbers to and **subtracting** numbers from pointers, we can obtain different addresses
- ② The addresses in pointers can be compared using any of the **relational operators** (`==`, `!=`, `<`, `>`, etc.)
- ③ Pointers can be **initialized** when they are declared

11.2 Manipulating Pointers

➤ Pointer Arithmetic 指针算术运算

- adding 1 to a pointer makes the resulting pointer point to the next Element of the array

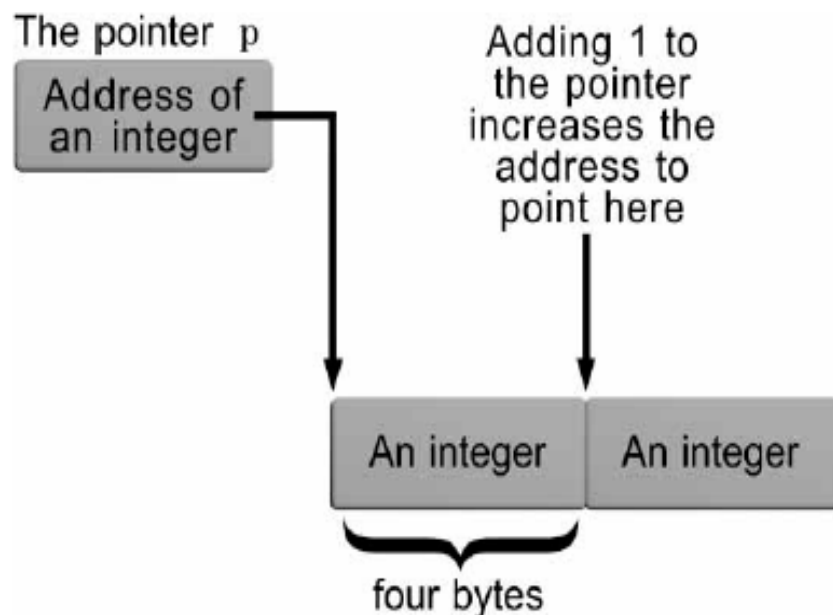


Figure 11.8 Increments are scaled when used with pointers

Name	Value	Type
<input type="checkbox"/> &grade[0]	0x001efb84	int *
<input type="checkbox"/> &grade[1]	0x001efb88	int *
<input type="checkbox"/> &grade[2]	0x001efb8c	int *
<input type="checkbox"/> &grade[3]	0x001efb90	int *
<input type="checkbox"/> &grade[4]	0x001efb94	int *
<input type="checkbox"/> gPtr	0x001efb84	int *
<input type="checkbox"/> gPtr+1	0x001efb88	int *
<input type="checkbox"/> gPtr+2	0x001efb8c	int *
<input type="checkbox"/> gPtr+3	0x001efb90	int *
<input type="checkbox"/> gPtr+4	0x001efb94	int *

11.2 Manipulating Pointers

➤ Program 11.4 Pointer Arithmetic

```
1. #include <stdio.h>
2. #define NUMELS 5
3. int main()
4. {
5.     int nums[NUMELS] = { 16, 54, 7, 43, -5 };
6.     int i, total = 0, *nPtr;
7.     nPtr = nums; //store address of nums[0] in nPtr
8.     for (i = 0; i < NUMELS; i++)
9.         total = total + *nPtr++;
10.    printf("The total of the array elements is %d\n", total);
11.    return 0;
12. }
```

11.2 Manipulating Pointers

➤ Pointer Initialization 指针初始化

- Pointers can be initialized when they are declared:
- **int** *ptNum = &miles;
- **double** *zing = &prices[0];
- **double** *zing = prices;

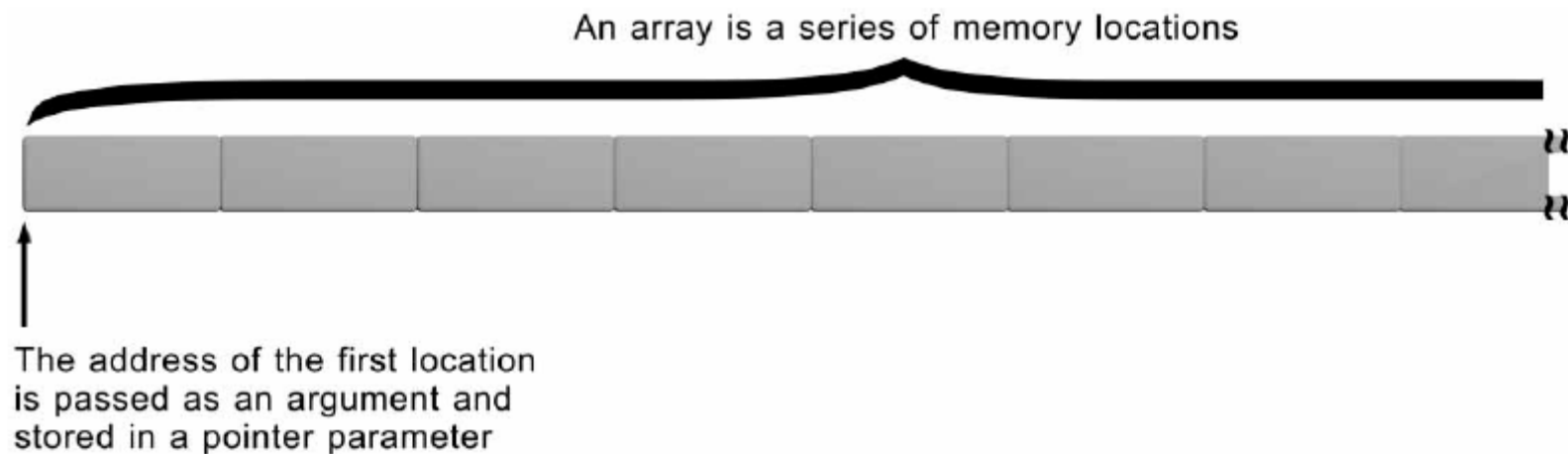


Figure 11.9 The address of an array is the address of the first location reserved for the array

11.3 Passing and Using Array Addresses

➤ Program 11.6 Passing and Using Array Addresses


```
1. #include <stdio.h>
2. #define NUMELS 5
3. int findMax(int[], int);
4. int main()
5. {
6.     int nums[NUMELS]={2, 18, 1, 27, 16};
7.     printf("The maximum value is %d\n", findMax(nums, NUMELS));
8.     return 0;
9. }
```

Calling **findMax(&nums[2], 3)**
would be valid too

11.3 Passing and Using Array Addresses

➤ Program 11.6 Passing and Using Array Addresses

```
11 int findMax(int vals[], int numEls)
12 {
13     int i, max = vals[0];
14     for (i = 1; i < numEls; i++)
15         if (max < vals[i])
16             max = vals[i];
17     return (max);
18 }
```

 findMax | 0x00d61490 findMax(int *, int)

Can be replaced with
**findMax(int *vals,
int numEls)**

Note: **vals** is a pointer parameter;
thus, its address can be modified
(but **nums**' address in main(), cannot).

11.3 Passing and Using Array Addresses

➤ findMax() can be rewritten as:

```
12 - int findMax(int *vals, int numEls)
13 {
14     int max = *vals++;
15     for (int i = 1; i < numEls; i++, vals++)
16     {
17         if (max < *vals)
18             max = *vals;
19     }
20     return (max);
21 }
```

11.3 Passing and Using Array Addresses

➤ Advanced Pointer Notation

- `#define ROWS 2`
- `#define COLS 3`
- `int nums[ROWS][COLS] = { {16,18,20},`
- `{25,26,27} };`

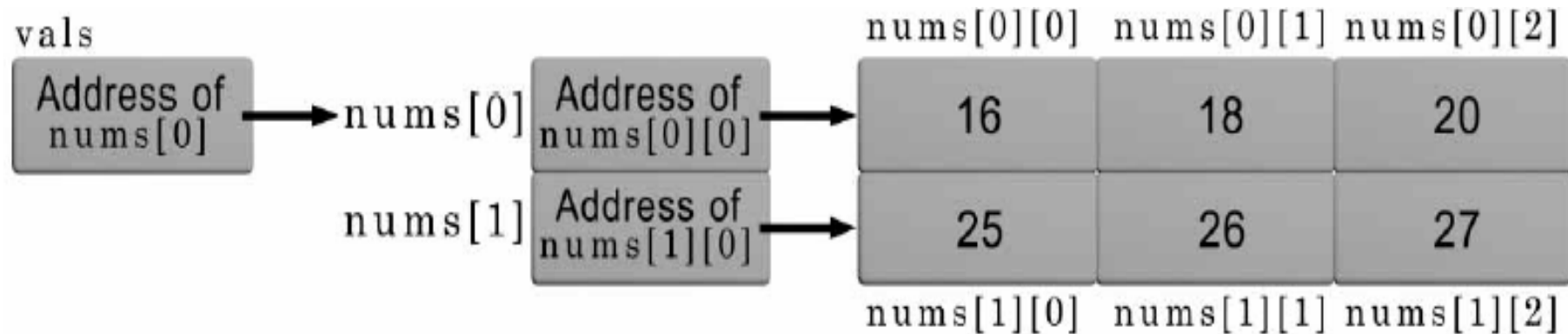


Figure 11.11 Storage of the `nums` array and associated pointer constants

11.3 Passing and Using Array Addresses

➤ Advanced Pointer Notation

Name	Value	Type	Name	Value	Type
♦ <code>(*nums)</code>	16	int	♦ <code>nums[0][0]</code>	16	int
♦ <code>(*nums+1)</code>	18	int	♦ <code>nums[0][1]</code>	18	int
♦ <code>(*nums+2)</code>	20	int	♦ <code>nums[0][2]</code>	20	int
♦ <code>*(*nums+1)</code>	25	int	♦ <code>nums[1][0]</code>	25	int
♦ <code>*(*nums+1)+1)</code>	26	int	♦ <code>nums[1][1]</code>	26	int
♦ <code>*(*nums+1)+2)</code>	27	int	♦ <code>nums[1][2]</code>	27	int

Name	Value	Type
♦ <code>*nums[0]</code>	16	int
♦ <code>*(nums[0]+1)</code>	18	int
♦ <code>*(nums[0]+2)</code>	20	int
♦ <code>*nums[1]</code>	25	int
♦ <code>*(nums[1]+1)</code>	26	int
♦ <code>*(nums[1]+2)</code>	27	int

Name	Value	Type
♦ <code>nums[0][0]</code>	16	int
♦ <code>nums[0][1]</code>	18	int
♦ <code>nums[0][2]</code>	20	int
♦ <code>nums[1][0]</code>	25	int
♦ <code>nums[1][1]</code>	26	int
♦ <code>nums[1][2]</code>	27	int

11.3 Passing and Using Array Addresses

➤ Advanced Pointer Notation

- A function that receives an integer two-dimensional array can be declared as:
- `calc(int pt[2][3])`
- `calc(int pt[][3])`
- `calc(int (*pt)[3])`
- It refers to a single pointer of objects of three integers

11.3 Passing and Using Array Addresses

➤ Advanced Pointer Notation

- Once the correct declaration for *pt* is made (any of the three valid declarations), the following notations within the function `calc()` are all equivalent:

Pointer Notation	Subscript Notation	Value
<code>*(*pt)</code>	<code>pt[0][0]</code>	16
<code>*(*pt+1)</code>	<code>pt[0][1]</code>	18
<code>*(*pt+2)</code>	<code>pt[0][2]</code>	20
<code>*(*(pt+1))</code>	<code>pt[1][0]</code>	25
<code>*(*(pt+1)+1)</code>	<code>pt[1][1]</code>	26
<code>*(*(pt+1)+2)</code>	<code>pt[1][2]</code>	27

11.3 Passing and Using Array Addresses

➤ Advanced Pointer Notation

- A function can return a pointer
 - `int *calc()`
- Pointers to functions are possible because function names, like array names, are themselves **pointer constants**
 - `int (*calc)()`
 - Declares **calc** to be a pointer to a function that returns an integer
 - If, for example, **sum()** returns an integer, the assignment **calc = sum**; is valid

11.4 Processing Strings Using Pointers

I. Processing Strings Using Array

```
1. void strcpy(char string1[], char string2[])
2. {
3.     int i = 0;
4.     while (string1[i] = string2[i++]);
5. }
```

II. Processing Strings Using Pointers

```
1. void strcpy(char *string1, char *string2)
2. {
3.     while (*string1++ = *string2++);
4. }
```

11.5 Creating Strings Using Pointers

➤ A pointer constant

- `char message [81] = "this is a string";`
- `char *message1=message;`

➤ Create a string using a pointer

- `char *message2="this is a string";`
- `message2++;`

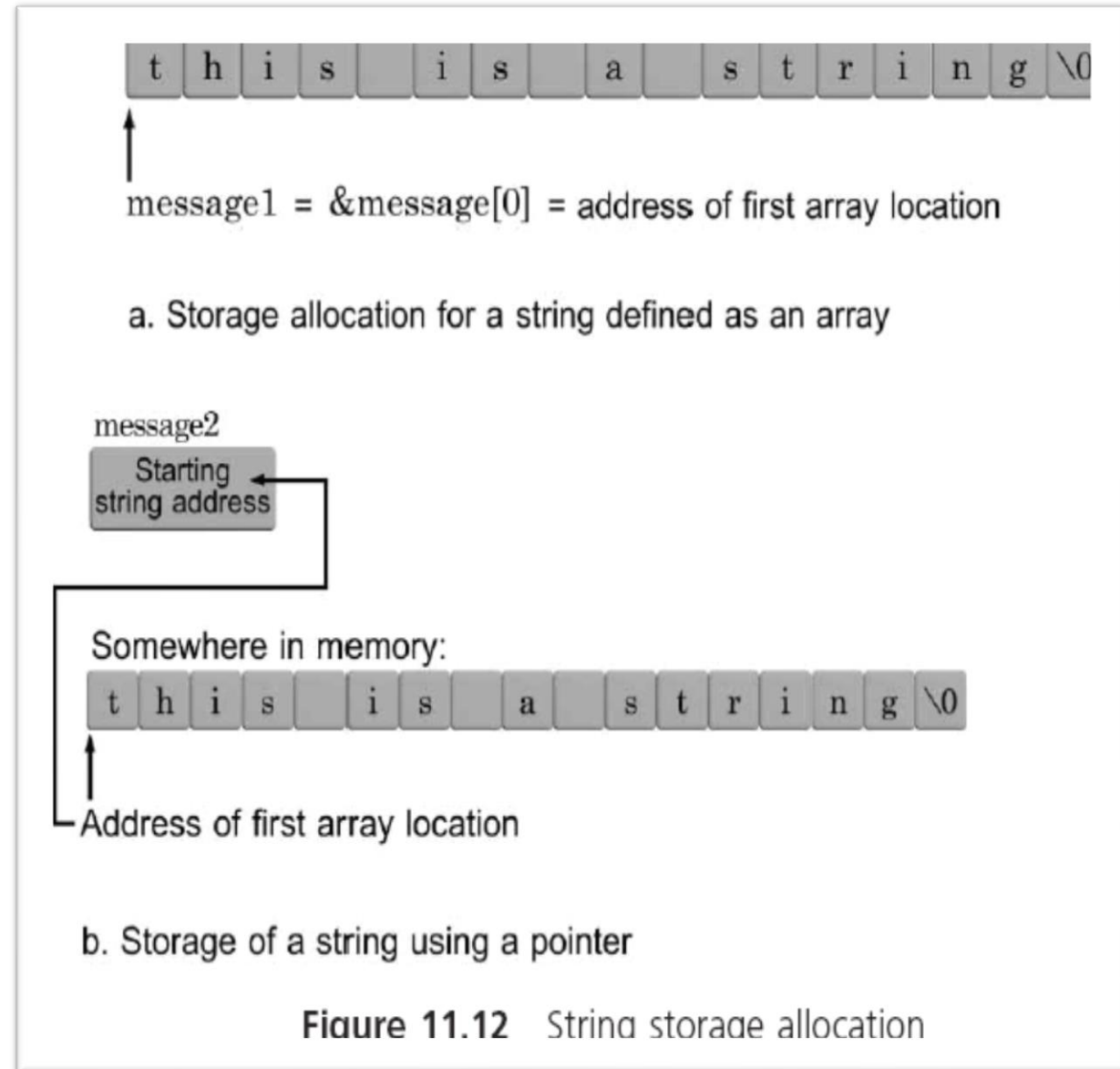


Figure 11.12 String storage allocation

11.5 Creating Strings Using Pointers

➤ Program 11.7 character pointer as String;

```
1.  #include <stdio.h>
2.  int main()
3.  {
4.      char *message2 = "this is a string";
5.      printf("\nThe string is %s", message2);
6.      printf("\n The base address of this string is
       %p\n", message2);
7.      message2 = "A new message";
8.      printf("\nThe string is now: %s", message2);
9.      printf("\n The base address of this string is
       %p\n", message2);
10.     return 0;
11. }
```

Name	Value	Type
message2	0x012c5758 "A new messag	char *

11.5 Creating Strings Using Pointers

➤ Allocating Space for a String

— The following declaration is valid:

- **char** *message = "abcdef"; **//valid**

— But, this is not:

- **char** *message;

- strcpy(message, "abcdef"); **//INVALID**

11.5 Creating Strings Using Pointers














➤ Pointer Arrays

— Example:

- **char** *seasons[4]; seasons[0] = "Winter";
- seasons[1] = "Spring"; seasons[2] = "Summer";
- seasons[3] = "Fall";

— Or:

- **char** *seasons[4]={ "Winter", "Spring", "Summer", "Fall"};

Name	Value	Type
 seasons	0x00f5f740	char * [4]
  [0]	0x0026579c "Winter" 	char *
  [1]	0x00265768 "Spring" 	char *
  [2]	0x00265758 "Summer" 	char *
  [3]	0x0026573c "Fall" 	char *

11.5 Creating Strings Using Pointers

➤ Program 11.8 Pointer Arrays

```
1. #include <stdio.h>
2. int main()
3. {
4.     int n;
5.     char *seasons[] = {"Winter", "Spring", "Summer", "Fall"};
6.     for(n = 0; n < 4; n++)
7.         printf("The season is %s.\n", seasons[n]);
8.     return 0;
9. }
```

11.6 Summary

- An array name is a pointer constant
- Any access to an array element using subscript notation can always be replaced using pointer notation
- Arrays are passed to functions by address, not by value
- When a single-dimensional array is passed to a function, the parameter declaration for the array can be either an array declaration or a pointer declaration
- In place of subscripts, pointer notation and pointer arithmetic are especially useful for manipulating string elements
- String storage can be created by declaring an array of characters or a pointer to be a character
- Pointers can be incremented, decremented, and compared

Reference



- <https://www.codesdope.com/blog/article/int-main-vs-void-main-vs-int-mainvoid-in-c-c/>

