1. The stack is very small, especially when not considering the local values. The stack on delmar has a maximum size of 8192 kbytes at maximum, including stored local values (found this value using ulimit -a). Using the info and x commands (info stack and info frame) I was able to get quite a bit of information about the stack frame. For one iteration I found the starting frame to be at address 0x7fffffffe470, then moving into my first function the next frame to be a 0x7fffffffe460, moving to second function the frame was at 0x7fffffffe450, and into the third the frame 0x7ffffffe440.

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(gdb) info s
#0 function3 (n=n@entry=2) at tak1.cpp:28
#1 0x00000000004007da in function2 (f=f@entry=3) at tak1.cpp:22
#2 0x00000000004007f9 in function1 (x=x@entry=1) at tak1.cpp:14
#3 0x0000000000400811 in main () at tak1.cpp:38
(gdb) info f
Stack level 0, frame at 0x7fffffffe440:
    rip = 0x400785 in function3 (tak1.cpp:28); saved rip 0x4007da
    called by frame at 0x7fffffffe450
    source language c++.
    Arglist at 0x7fffffffe428, args: n=n@entry=2
    Locals at 0x7fffffffe428, Previous frame's sp is 0x7fffffffe440
    Saved registers:
    rip at 0x7fffffffe438
```

Then returning to function1, again with the frame at 0x7ffffffe460 and then back to main, with 0x7ffffffe470.

```
(gdb) info f
Stack level 0, frame at 0x7ffffffffe440:
 rip = 0x400785 in function3 (tak1.cpp:28); saved rip 0x4007da
 called by frame at 0x7ffffffffe450
 source language c++.
 Arglist at 0x7ffffffffe428, args: n=n@entry=2
 Locals at 0x7ffffffffe428, Previous frame's sp is 0x7ffffffffe440
 Saved registers:
  rip at 0x7fffffffe438
(gdb) info s
#0 function3 (n=n@entry=2) at tak1.cpp:28
    0x00000000004007da in function2 (f=f@entry=3) at takl.cpp:22
0x0000000004007f9 in function1 (x=x@entry=1) at takl.cpp:14
#3 0x0000000000400811 in main () at tak1.cpp:38
(gdb) c
Continuing.
Breakpoint 2, function1 (x=x@entry=1) at tak1.cpp:16
(gdb) info f
Stack level 0, frame at 0x7ffffffffe460:
 rip = 0x4007f9 in function1 (tak1.cpp:16); saved rip 0x400811
 called by frame at 0x7ffffffffe470
 source language c++.
 Arglist at 0x7ffffffffe448, args: x=x@entry=1
 Locals at 0x7fffffffe448, Previous frame's sp is 0x7fffffffe460
 Saved registers:
  rip at 0x7ffffffffe458
(gdb) info s
#0 function1 (x=x@entry=1) at tak1.cpp:16
#1 0x0000000000400811 in main () at tak1.cpp:38
```

This alone tells me that the stack frame itself is very small, here only occupying a space of 16 addresses.

(gdb) x /30bd \$fp							
0x7ffffffffe458: 17	8	64	Θ	Θ	Θ	0	Θ
0x7ffffffffe460: 0	Θ	Θ	Θ	Θ	Θ	Θ	0
0x7ffffffffe468: 69	20	33	- 9	-1	127	0	Θ
0x7fffffffe470: 0	Θ	Θ	Θ	Θ	Θ		

In bytes the maximum value for each fame should be 2032(16\*127) whereas in practice the values where significantly lower. Because variables were also sometimes stored within this space as well (like above where x is stored at 0x7fffffffe448 right next to the stating frame of my second function), leads me to believe that this value can and will be lower depending upon the instructions within the function. An expanded view shows that

(gdb) x /100db \$sp							
0x7ffffffffe430: 0	Θ	Θ	Θ	Θ	Θ	Θ	Θ
0x7ffffffffe438: -38	7	64	Θ	Θ	Θ	Θ	Θ
0x7ffffffffe440: 0	Θ	Θ	Θ	Θ	Θ	Θ	Θ
0x7ffffffffe448: -7	7	64	Θ	Θ	Θ	Θ	Θ
0x7ffffffffe450: 64	-27	-1	-1	-1	127	Θ	Θ
0x7ffffffffe458: 17	8	64	Θ	Θ	Θ	Θ	Θ
0x7ffffffffe460: 0	Θ	Θ	Θ	Θ	Θ	Θ	Θ
0x7ffffffffe468: 69	20	33	-9	-1	127	Θ	Θ
0x7ffffffffe470: 0	Θ	Θ	Θ	Θ	Θ	Θ	Θ
0x7ffffffffe478: 72	-27	-1	-1	-1	127	Θ	Θ
0x7ffffffffe480: 0	Θ	Θ	Θ	1	Θ	Θ	Θ
0x7ffffffffe488: 3	8	64	Θ	Θ	Θ	Θ	Θ
0x7ffffffffe490: 0	Θ	Θ	Θ				
(adb) x /100db \$sp							
(gdb) x /100db \$sp 0x7fffffffe430: 0	Θ	Θ	Θ	Θ	Θ	Θ	Θ
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function3 didn't need the full amount of space, so variables shared the space with it.

This again

shows that the frames do not need the full 2032 bytes but will keep it. It seems that they need about half the amount, 1016 bytes.

```
finclude <iostream
finclude <stdio.h>
using namespace std;
int main(){
     int locstat[10];
     printf("Address of locdyn %p \n", &locdyn);
delete[] locdyn;
```

Yes the size of the dynamic array is stored, in bytes, in an address before the dynamically allocated array. Through my testing I have found it to be stored numerous

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times before the array. This does not appear to be true for the local array though. I tried setting the initial values of both the dynamic and static arrays and looked in the addresses before the address of the first element of the array. I used printf to display the address of the first element of each array (as well as the last) to make it easier.

```
Address of locstat 0x7ffffffffe420
Address of last value in locstat is 0x7fffffffe444
Address of locdyn 0x7fffffffe418

Breakpoint 1, main () at p2.cpp:17
17 delete[] locdyn;
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Because the dynamic array created a pointer, I looked for this value before both addresses but only found it before the address of the pointer (the address that holds the pointer value). Then using gdb's x I looked into the memory addresses arbitrarily before that value, usually around 256 less (if the starting address was 0x7fffffffe418 then I would start looking around 0x7ffffffe300). The x command will start at the next memory location every time it is run by default, so it's rather simple (hold down enter) to look through memory (you could also specify the number of memory locations to look through and do it all at once, but I found this to be clunky). I expected a value 4 times whatever the size specified (I checked sizeof(int) to confirm) and found exactly this value. Changing the size of the array many times (here 200), I was able to find this value before the first element every time. One of the most consistent ways to find this value was to look for the malloc instuction, the value was always very close to it.

0x7ffffffffe350: 0x7c (gdb) 0x7ffffffffe358: 0x7fffffffe418 0x7fffffffe360: 0x602010 (gdb) 0x7fffffffe368: 0x602010 0x7fffffffe370: 0x602000 (adb) 0x7fffffffe378: 0xc8 (gdb) 0x7ffffffffe380: 0x0 0x7fffffffe388: 0x7fffff75b5760 <main\_arena> (gdb) 0x7fffffffe390: 0xc8 0x7fffffffe398: 0x400620 < start> 0x7fffffffe3a0: 0x7fffffffe530 (gdb) 0x7ffffffffe3a8: 0x0 0x7ffffffffe3b0: 0x0 (gdb) 0x7fffffffe3b8: 0x7ffff727484c <malloc+76> 0x7ffffffffe3c0: 0xc8 0x7ffffffffe3c8: 0xc8

x7fffffffe358: 140737488348184 x7fffffffe360: 6299664 fffffffe368: 6299664 7fffffffe370: 6299648 x7ffffffffe378: 200 x7ffffffffe380: 0 x7fffffffe388: 140737343346528 x7fffffffe390: 200 gdb) x7fffffffe398: 4195872 gdb) x7fffffffe3a0: 140737488348464 x7fffffffe3a8: 0 x7ffffffffe3b0: 0 7fffffffe3b8: 140737339934796 x7ffffffffe3c0: 200 x7fffffffe3c8: 200 7fffffffe3d0: 0 x7fffffffe3d8: 140737349103309 gdb) x7fffffffe3e0: 0 x7fffffffe3e8: 0 gdb) x7fffffffe3f0: 0 gdb) x7fffffffe3f8: 140737349103561 7fffffffe400: 1 x7fffffffe408: 4196188 x7fffffffe410: 2 (gdb) )x7fffffffe418: 6299664

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Mult:25000000

[ephb7d@delmar 3780]\$

Div:1

-500000

Addition:-1000000
Overflow[ephb7d@delmar 3780]\$