



Dynamic Memory Allocation: Advanced Concepts 动态存储分配:高级概念

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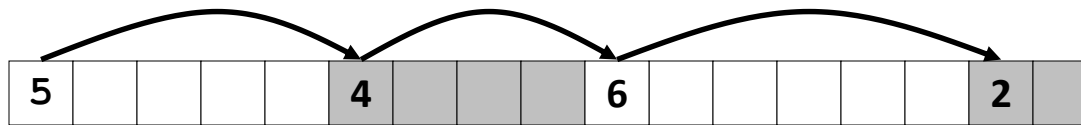
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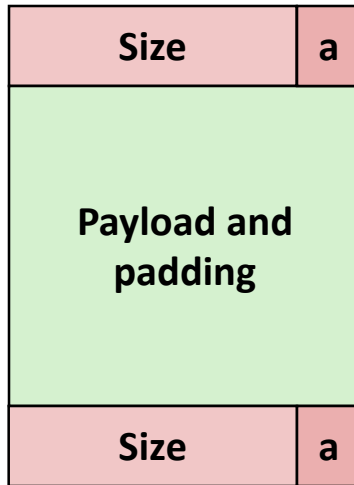


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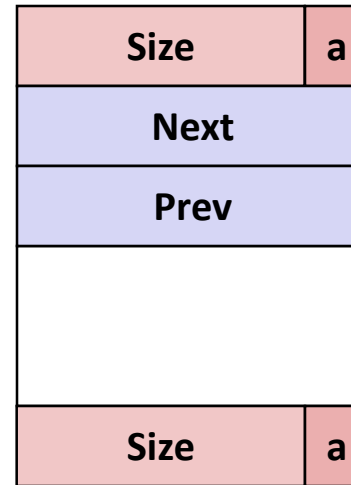


显式空闲列表/Explicit Free Lists

已分配（和以前一样） /
Allocated (as before)



空闲/Free



- 维护空闲块列表，而不是所有块/Maintain list(s) of **free** blocks, not **all** blocks
 - 下一个空闲块可能在任一地方/The “next” free block could be anywhere
 - 所以需要前向/后向指针，不只是大小/So we need to store forward/back pointers, not just sizes
 - 仍然需要使用边界标记进行合并/Still need boundary tags for coalescing
 - 幸运地是我们只需要跟踪空闲块，所以可以使用载荷区域/Luckily we track only free blocks, so we can use payload area

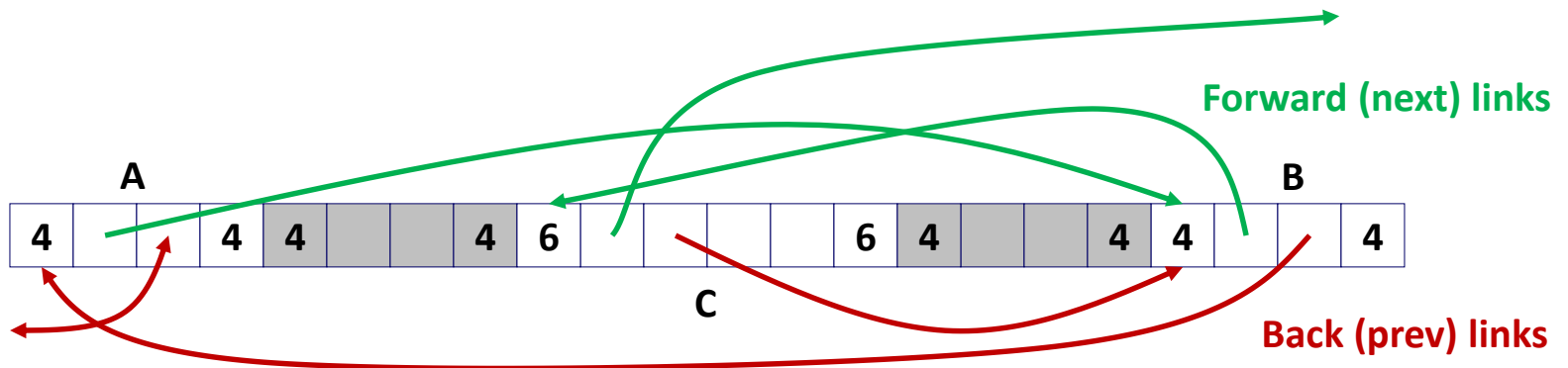


显式空闲列表/Explicit Free Lists

■ 逻辑上/Logically:



■ 物理上：块可能是任意顺序/Physically: blocks can be in any order

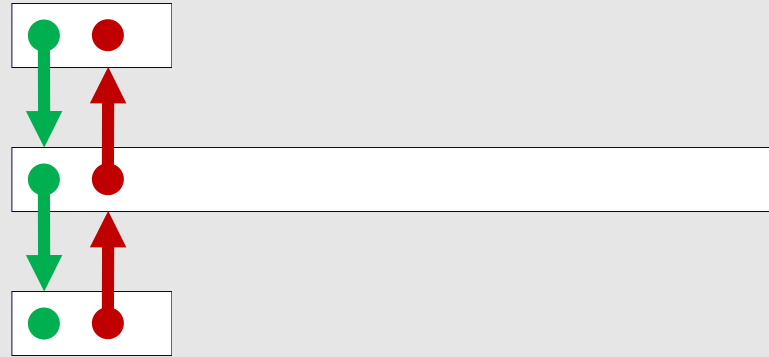


从显式空闲列表分配/Allocating From Explicit Free Lists



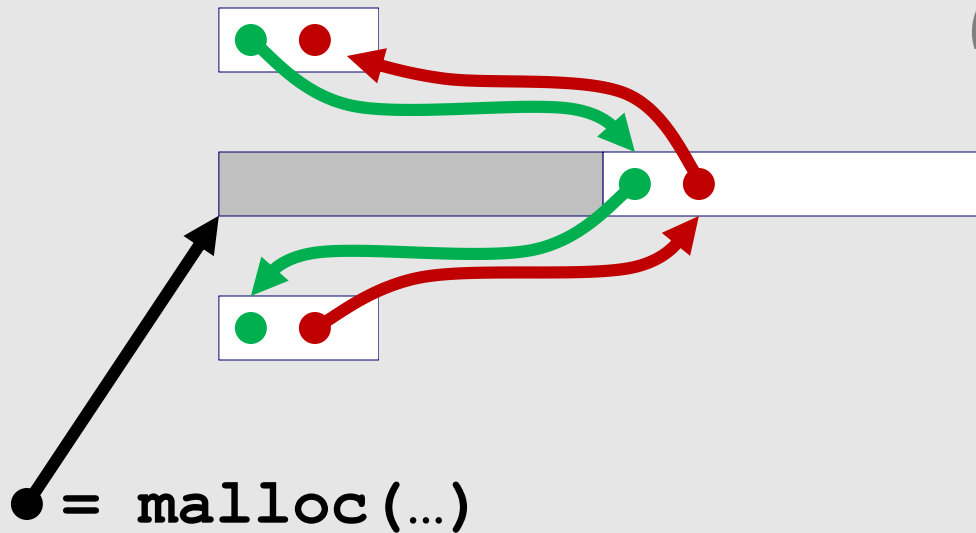
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Before



After

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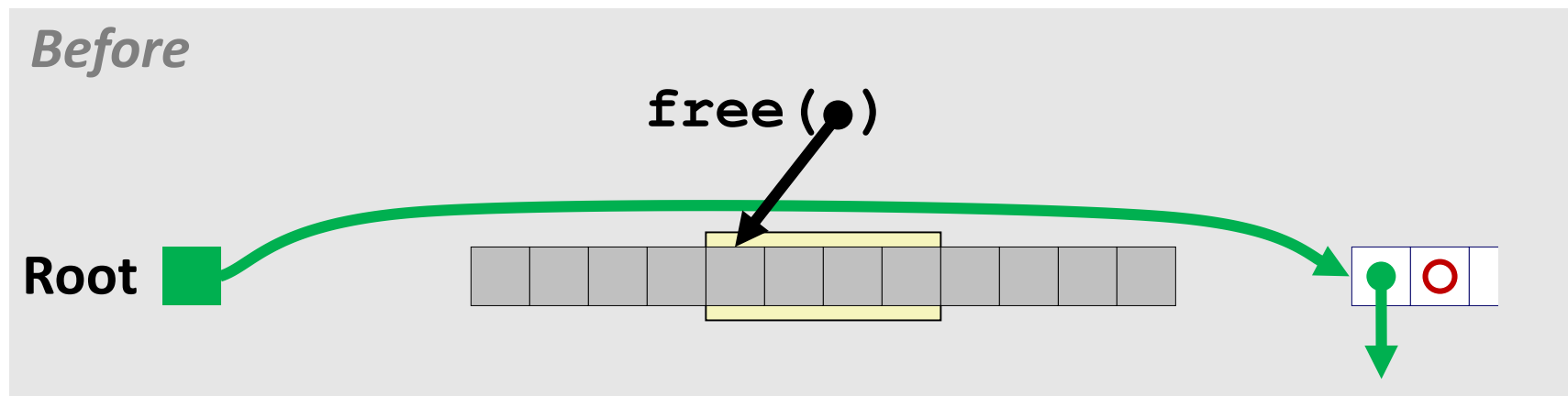
释放空闲块到显式空闲列表/Freeing With Explicit Free Lists

- **插入策略:** 在空闲列表的什么位置插入一个新的空闲块? /**Insertion policy:** Where in the free list do you put a newly freed block?
- **LIFO (last-in-first-out) policy**
 - 在空闲列表的开始插入空闲块/Insert freed block at the beginning of the free list
 - **优点:** 简单并且常数时间完成/**Pro:** simple and constant time
 - **缺点:** 研究表明比地址排序导致更多的碎片/**Con:** studies suggest fragmentation is worse than address ordered
- **地址排序策略/Address-ordered policy**
 - 插入空闲块后列表中的地址总是排序的/Insert freed blocks so that free list blocks are always in address order:
$$addr(prev) < addr(curr) < addr(next)$$
 - **Con:** requires search/缺点: 需要搜索
 - **Pro:** studies suggest fragmentation is lower than LIFO/优点: 研究表明比LIFO有低的内存碎片

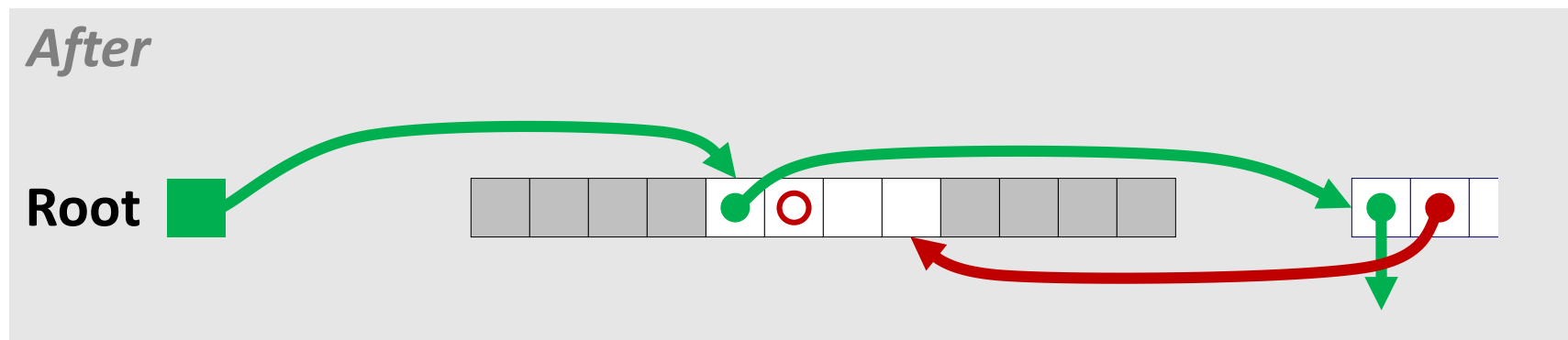


基于LIFO策略的释放/Freeing With a LIFO Policy (Case 1)

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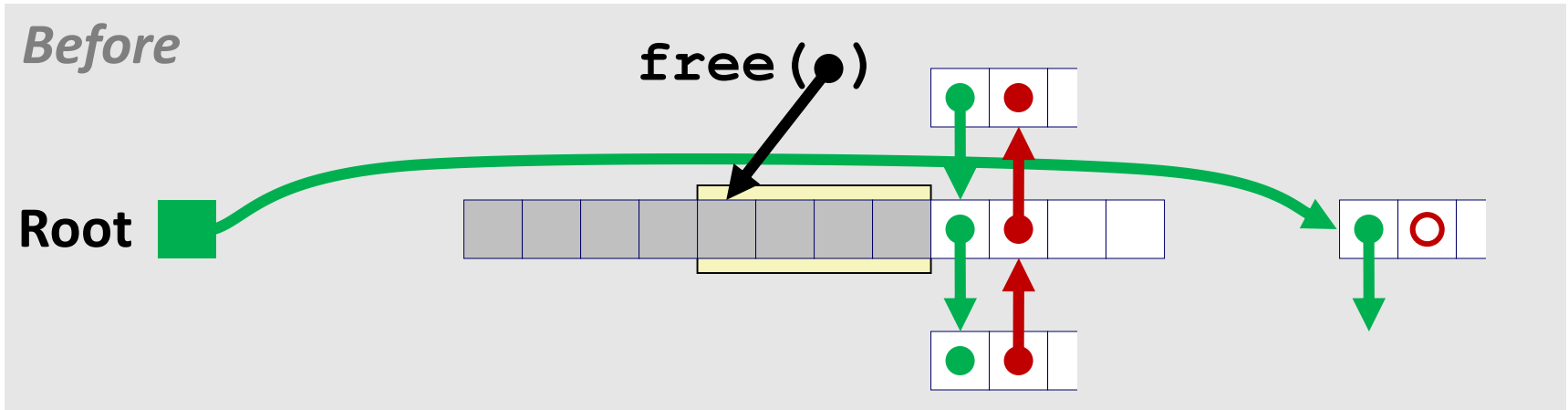
- 将空闲块插入到列表头/Insert the freed block at the root of the list



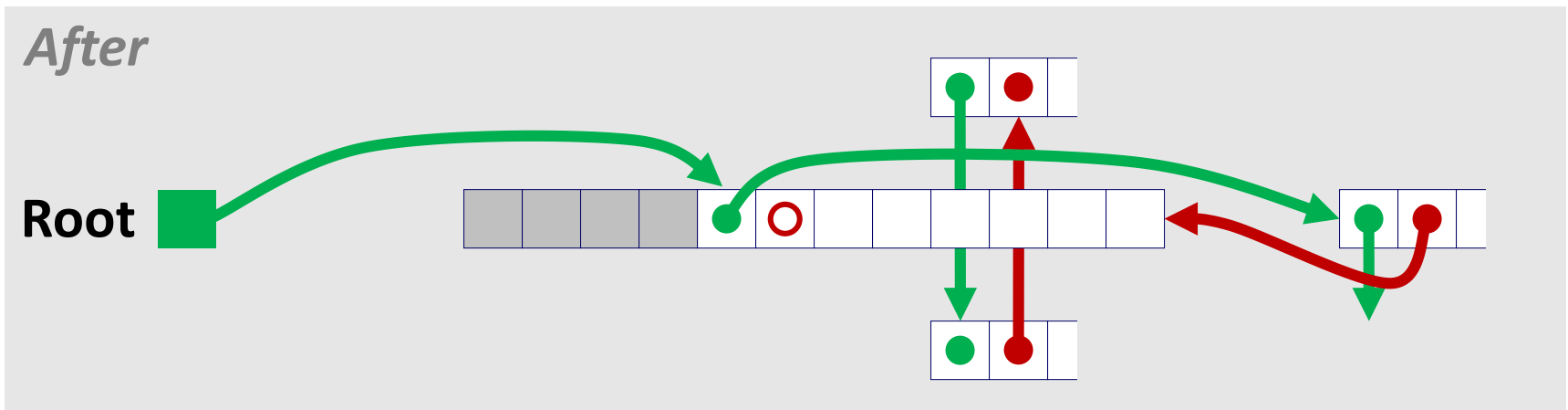


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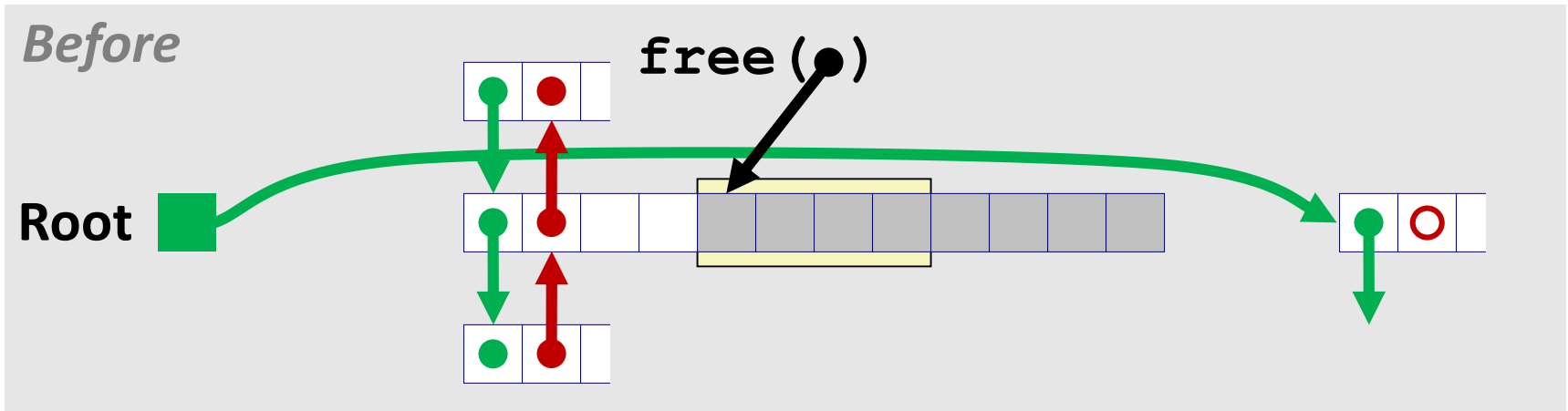
- 拼接出后续块，合并两个块并在列表头插入新块/Splice out successor block, coalesce both memory blocks and insert the new block at the root of the list



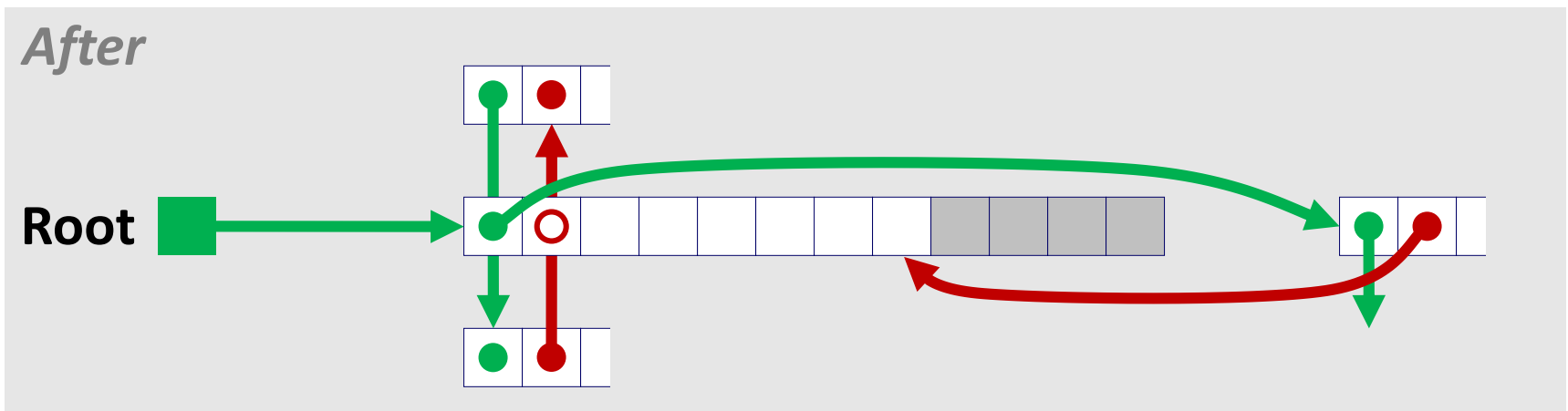


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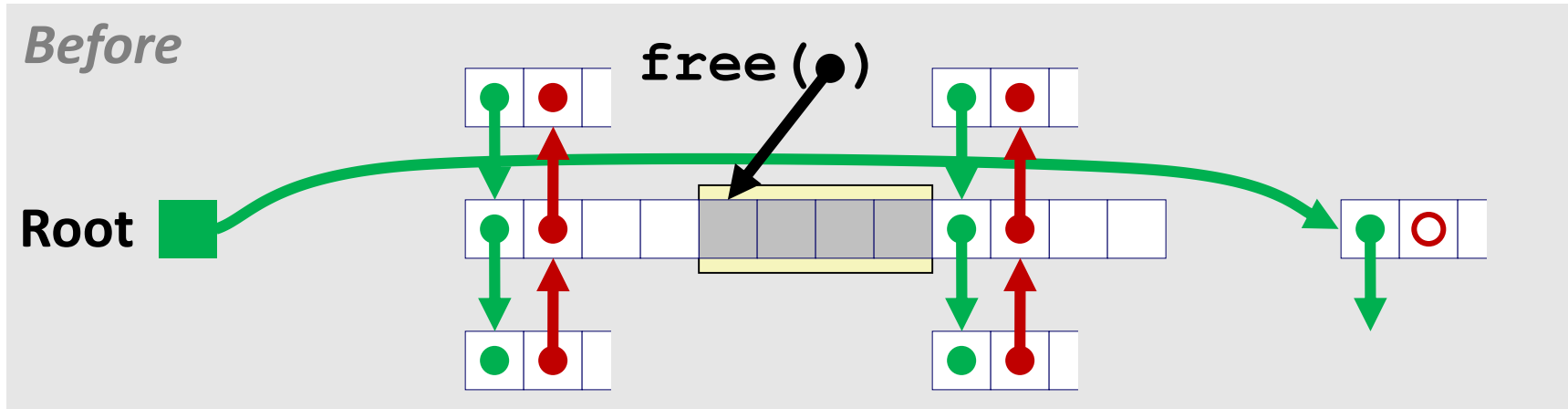
- Splice out predecessor block, coalesce both memory blocks, and insert the new block at the root of the list



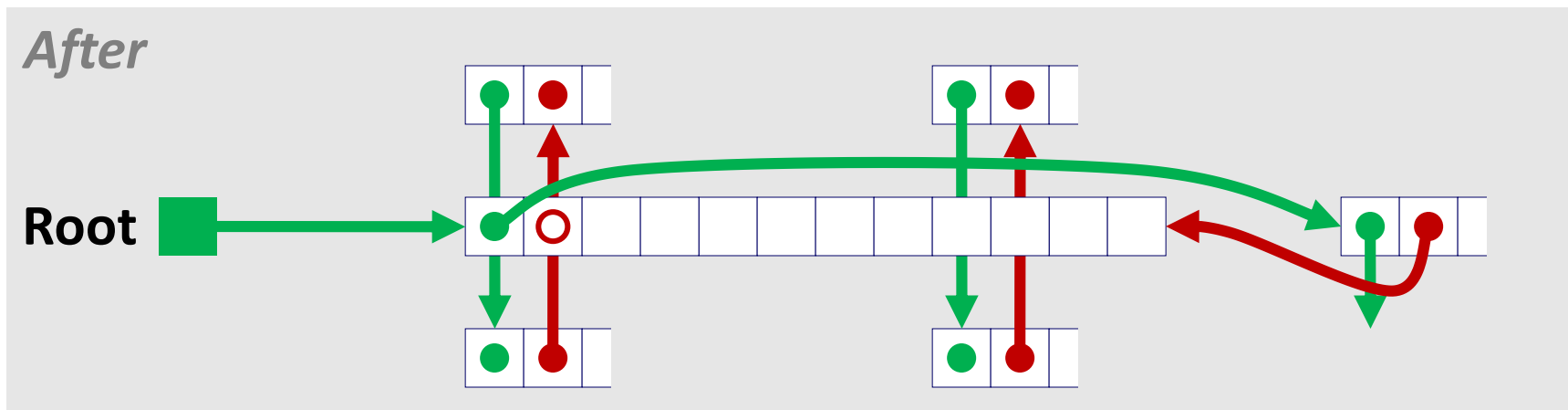


基于LIFO策略的释放/ Freeing With a LIFO Policy (Case 4)

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- Splice out predecessor and successor blocks, coalesce all 3 memory blocks and insert the new block at the root of the list





显式列表总结/Explicit List Summary

■ 与隐式列表相比/Comparison to implicit list:

- 分配时间与空闲块的数量成线性时间，而不是所有的块/Allocate is linear time in number of *free* blocks instead of *all* blocks
 - 当内存大部分被占用的时候快很多/*Much faster* when most of the memory is full
- 由于从列表中删除和向链表中插入块，分配和释放稍微复杂一些/Slightly more complicated allocate and free since needs to splice blocks in and out of the list
- 链接需要一些额外的空间/Some extra space for the links (2 extra words needed for each block)
 - 会增加内部碎片吗？/Does this increase internal fragmentation?

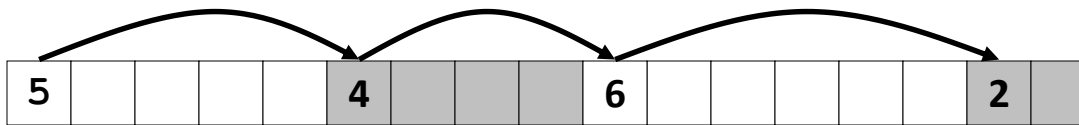
■ 链表通常是和分离的空闲列表一起使用的/**Most common use of linked lists is in conjunction with segregated free lists**

- 保持多个不同大小类的列表，或者为不同的对象设置不同的列表/Keep multiple linked lists of different size classes, or possibly for different types of objects

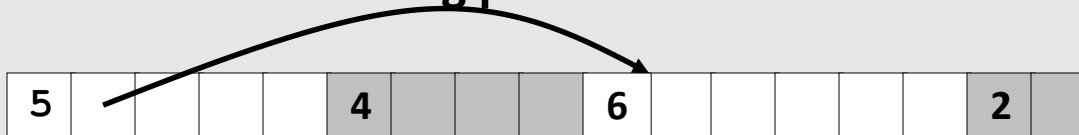


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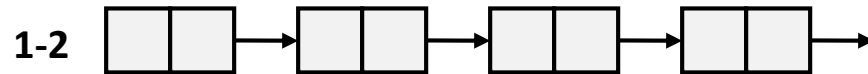
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分离空闲列表分配器/Segregated List (Seglist) Allocators

- 每个不同大小类块有自己的空闲列表/Each *size class* of blocks has its own free list



- 通常比较小的块有自己单独的类/Often have separate classes for each small size
- 对于比较大的块，每个2的指数区间有一个类/For larger sizes: One class for each two-power size



Seglist分配器/Seglist Allocator

- 空闲列表数组中的每个元素对应某个大小类， **Given an array of free lists, each one for some size class**
- 分配大小为 n 的块时： **/To allocate a block of size n :**
 - 搜索对应的空闲列表， 其中的块大小 $m > n$ /Search appropriate free list for block of size $m > n$
 - 如果找到一个合适的块： /If an appropriate block is found:
 - 拆分块并将碎片挂接到对应的列表（可选） /Split block and place fragment on appropriate list (optional)
 - 如果没找到， 则尝试下一个更大的列表 /If no block is found, try next larger class
 - 重复以上步骤直到找到一个块 /Repeat until block is found
- 如果没找到： **/If no block is found:**
 - 从OS申请更多的堆内存 /Request additional heap memory from OS (using `sbrk()`)
 - 从新申请的内存分配大小为 n 字节的块 /Allocate block of n bytes from this new memory
 - 将剩下的当做一个空闲块放到最大的类表中 /Place remainder as a single free block in largest size class.



Seglist分配器/Seglist Allocator (cont.)

- 释放一个块: /To free a block:
 - 合并并放到合适的列表中/Coalesce and place on appropriate list
- seglist分配器的优点/Advantages of seglist allocators
 - 高吞吐率/Higher throughput
 - 对于2的指数次方的大小类是log时间复杂度/log time for power-of-two size classes
 - 更好的内存利用率/Better memory utilization
 - 分离空闲列表中的First-fit 搜索近似于整个堆上的best-fit搜索 /First-fit search of segregated free list approximates a best-fit search of entire heap.
 - 极端案例: /Extreme case: Giving each block its own size class is equivalent to best-fit.



内存分配器的更多资料/More Info on Allocators

- **D. Knuth, “*The Art of Computer Programming*”, 2nd edition, Addison Wesley, 1973**
 - The classic reference on dynamic storage allocation

- **Wilson et al, “*Dynamic Storage Allocation: A Survey and Critical Review*”, Proc. 1995 Int’l Workshop on Memory Management, Kinross, Scotland, Sept, 1995.**
 - Comprehensive survey
 - Available from CS:APP student site (csapp.cs.cmu.edu)



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隐式内存管理：垃圾收集/Implicit Memory Management: Garbage Collection

- **垃圾收集**: 自动回收堆中分配的内存块-应用程序不用负责释放/**Garbage collection**: automatic reclamation of heap-allocated storage—application never has to free

```
void foo() {  
    int *p = malloc(128);  
    return; /* p block is now garbage */  
}
```

- **许多动态语言的共同特性/Common in many dynamic languages:**
 - Python, Ruby, Java, Perl, ML, Lisp, Mathematica
- **变种（保守的垃圾收集）/Variants (“conservative” garbage collectors) exist for C and C++**
 - 然而，不一定收集所有垃圾/However, cannot necessarily collect all garbage



垃圾收集/Garbage Collection

- **内存管理器如何知道内存什么时候可以被释放? /How does the memory manager know when memory can be freed?**
 - 通常我们是不知道将来会用到哪些, 因为程序执行是有路径分支的/In general we cannot know what is going to be used in the future since it depends on conditionals
 - 但是如果某些块没有指针指向则可以确定是不会用的/But we can tell that certain blocks cannot be used if there are no pointers to them
- **关于指针的一些假设/Must make certain assumptions about pointers**
 - 内存管理器能够区分指针和非指针/Memory manager can distinguish pointers from non-pointers
 - 所有的指针指向块的开始地址/All pointers point to the start of a block
 - 不能隐藏指针/Cannot hide pointers
(例如, 强制转为int, 再转回来/e.g., by coercing them to an `int`, and then back again)



经典垃圾收集算法/Classical GC Algorithms

- **标记清除算法/Mark-and-sweep collection (McCarthy, 1960)**
 - 不需要移动内存块（除非需要平移压紧占用部分） /Does not move blocks (unless you also “compact”)
- **引用计数算法/Reference counting (Collins, 1960)**
 - 不需要移动内存块/Does not move blocks (not discussed)
- **拷贝收集算法/Copying collection (Minsky, 1963)**
 - 需要移动内存块/Moves blocks (not discussed)
- **按代垃圾收集算法/Generational Collectors (Lieberman and Hewitt, 1983)**
 - 基于生命周期的收集/Collection based on lifetimes
 - 大部分内存块很快变为垃圾/Most allocations become garbage very soon
 - 主要聚焦在最近分配的区域内开展回收工作/So focus reclamation work on zones of memory recently allocated
- **For more information:**
Jones and Lin, “*Garbage Collection: Algorithms for Automatic Dynamic Memory*”, John Wiley & Sons, 1996.

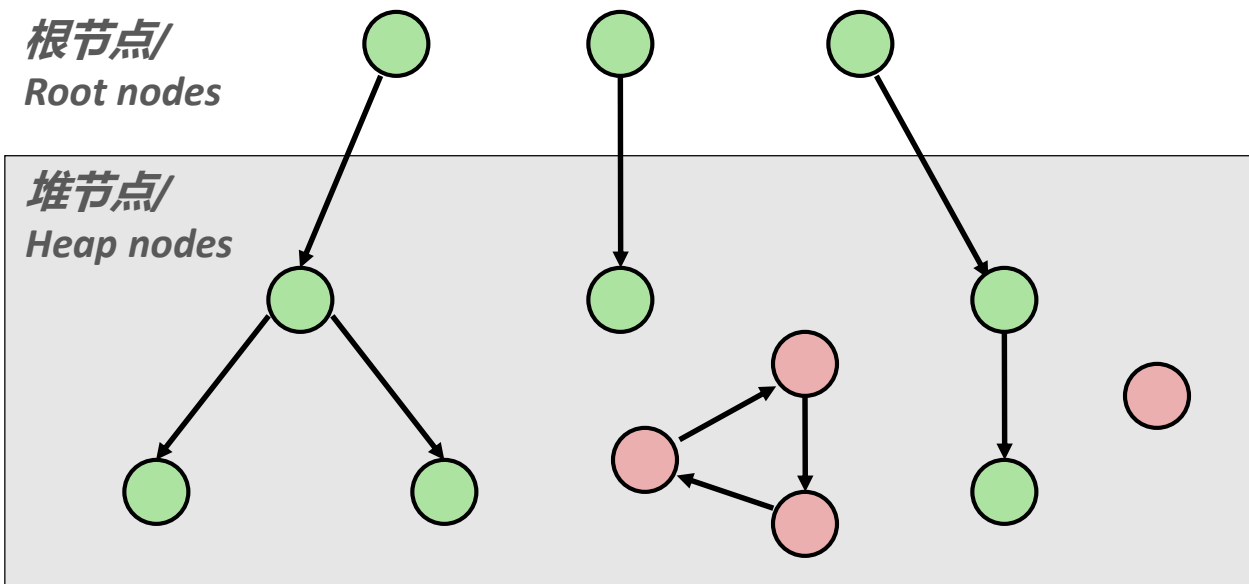
将内存当做一个图/Memory as a Graph



- 我们将内存看做一个有向图/We view memory as a directed graph
 - 每个块是图中的一个节点/Each block is a node in the graph
 - 每个指针是图中的一条边/Each pointer is an edge in the graph
 - 不在堆中但是持有指向堆中指针的位置称为根节点（例如，寄存器，栈中元素，以及全局变量）/Locations not in the heap that contain pointers into the heap are called **root** nodes (e.g. registers, locations on the stack, global variables)

根节点/
Root nodes

堆节点/
Heap nodes



可达/
reachable

不可达/
Not-reachable
(garbage)

如果有从根节点到某个节点的路径则这个节点是可达的/A node (block) is **reachable** if there is a path from any root to that node.

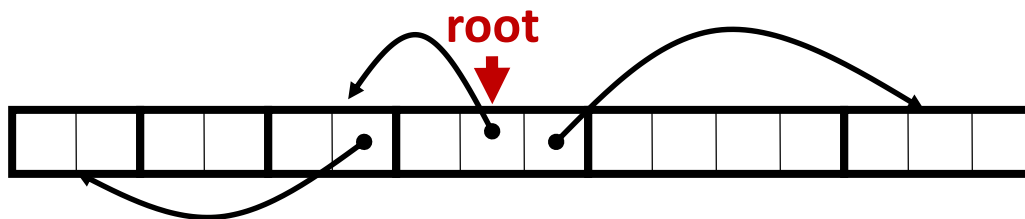
不可达的都是垃圾（应用程序不再需要）/Non-reachable nodes are **garbage** (cannot be needed by the application)



标记清除收集算法/Mark and Sweep Collecting

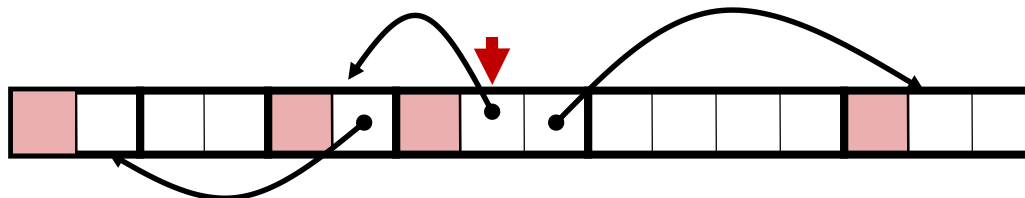
- 可以基于malloc/free操作构建/Can build on top of malloc/free package
 - 一直使用malloc直到空间不够用/Allocate using malloc until you “run out of space”
- 什么时候内存不够用/When out of space:
 - 在每个块的头部使用额外的标记位/Use extra **mark bit** in the head of each block
 - **Mark**: 从根节点开始并对所有可达节点设置标记位/Start at roots and set mark bit on each reachable block
 - **Sweep**: 扫描所有的块并清除未标记的块/Scan all blocks and free blocks that are not marked

标记之前/
Before mark



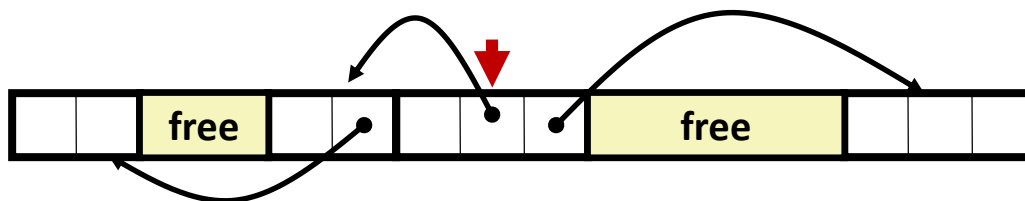
注意：这里的箭头表示引用关系，不是空闲列表指针/Note: arrows here denote memory refs, not free list ptrs.

标记之后/
After mark



 已设置标记位/
Mark bit set

清除之后/
After sweep





一个简单实现的前提假设/Assumptions For a Simple Implementation

■ 应用/Application

- **new (n)**: 返回指向新块的指针, 所有的域清除/returns pointer to new block with all locations cleared
- **read (b, i)**: 将块b中位置i的内容读到寄存器/read location **i** of block **b** into register
- **write (b, i, v)**: 将v写入块b中的位置i / write **v** into location **i** of block **b**

■ 每个块有一个头部字/Each block will have a header word

- 对b可以使用b[-1]寻址/addressed as **b [-1]**, for a block **b**
- 在不同的垃圾收集器里面有不同的用途/Used for different purposes in different collectors

■ 垃圾收集器使用的操作/Instructions used by the Garbage Collector

- **is_ptr (p)**: 确定p是否是一个指针/determines whether **p** is a pointer
- **length (b)**: 返回b的长度, 不包括header/returns the length of block **b**, not including the header
- **get_roots ()**: 返回所有的根/returns all the roots



标记清除/Mark and Sweep (cont.)

通过内存图的深度优先遍历标记/Mark using depth-first traversal of the memory graph

```
ptr mark(ptr p) {  
    if (!is_ptr(p)) return;           // do nothing if not pointer  
    if (markBitSet(p)) return;        // check if already marked  
    setMarkBit(p);                    // set the mark bit  
    for (i=0; i < length(p); i++)    // call mark on all words  
        mark(p[i]);                  // in the block  
    return;  
}
```

清除阶段通过长度找到下一个块/Sweep using lengths to find next

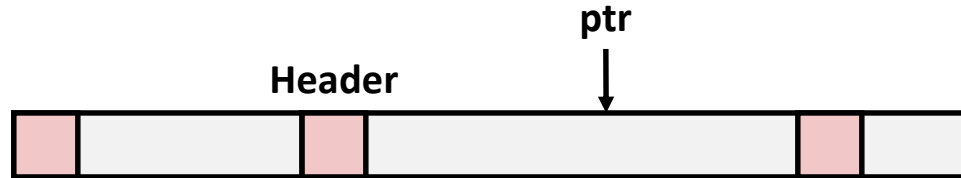
```
ptr sweep(ptr p, ptr end) {  
    while (p < end) {  
        if markBitSet(p)  
            clearMarkBit();  
        else if (allocateBitSet(p))  
            free(p);  
        p += length(p);  
    }  
}
```



C中保守的标记-清除算法/Conservative Mark & Sweep in C

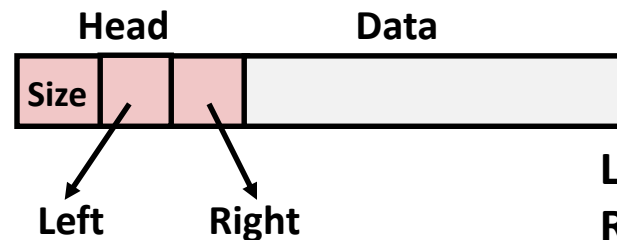
■ C程序的一个保守垃圾收集器/A “conservative garbage collector” for C programs

- `is_ptr()` 用来判断一个字是否是指向一个已经分配的内存块的指针/`is_ptr()` determines if a word is a pointer by checking if it points to an allocated block of memory
- 但是, C指针可以指向块中间的位置/But, in C pointers can point to the middle of a block



■ 所以要如何找到块的开始? /So how to find the beginning of the block?

- 可以使用一个平衡二叉树跟踪所有已经分配的块(key是块开始地址)/Can use a balanced binary tree to keep track of all allocated blocks (key is start-of-block)
- 平衡二叉树的指针可以存在head中(使用两个额外的字)/Balanced-tree pointers can be stored in header (use two additional words)



Left: smaller addresses/较小地址
Right: larger addresses/较大地址



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内存相关的风险和陷阱/Memory-Related Perils and Pitfalls

- 解引问题指针/Dereferencing bad pointers
- 使用未初始化内存/Reading uninitialized memory
- 覆盖内存/Overwriting memory
- 引用不存在的变量/Referencing nonexistent variables
- 重复释放内存块/Freeing blocks multiple times
- 引用释放的内存/Referencing freed blocks
- 释放内存失败/Failing to free blocks



C的操作符/C operators

Operators

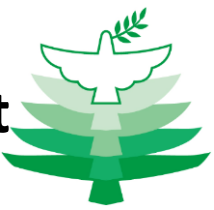
`() [] -> .`
`! ~ ++ -- + - * & (type) sizeof`
`* / %`
`+ -`
`<< >>`
`< <= > >=`
`== !=`
`&`
`^`
`|`
`&&`
`||`
`?:`
`= += -= *= /= %= &= ^= != <<= >>=`
`,`

Associativity

left to right
right to left
left to right
left to right
left to right
left to right
left to right
left to right
right to left
right to left
left to right

- `->`, `()`, and `[]` have high precedence, with `*` and `&` just below
- Unary `+`, `-`, and `*` have higher precedence than binary forms

C指针申明: 测试一下你自己/C Pointer Declarations: Test Yourself!



<code>int *p</code>	p is a pointer to int
<code>int *p[13]</code>	p is an array[13] of pointer to int
<code>int *(p[13])</code>	p is an array[13] of pointer to int
<code>int **p</code>	p is a pointer to a pointer to an int
<code>int (*p)[13]</code>	p is a pointer to an array[13] of int
<code>int *f()</code>	f is a function returning a pointer to int
<code>int (*f)()</code>	f is a pointer to a function returning int
<code>int (*(*f()) [13])()</code>	f is a function returning ptr to an array[13] of pointers to functions returning int
<code>int (*(*x[3])()) [5]</code>	x is an array[3] of pointers to functions returning pointers to array[5] of ints



解引问题指针/Dereferencing Bad Pointers

■ 经典的scanf bug/The classic scanf bug

```
int val;  
  
...  
  
scanf("%d", val);
```


使用未初始化变量/Reading Uninitialized Memory



- 假设堆数据初始化为0/Assuming that heap data is initialized to zero

```
/* return y = Ax */
int *matvec(int **A, int *x) {
    int *y = malloc(N*sizeof(int));
    int i, j;

    for (i=0; i<N; i++)
        for (j=0; j<N; j++)
            y[i] += A[i][j]*x[j];
    return y;
}
```



覆盖内存/Overwriting Memory

- 分配了可能错误大小的对象/Allocating the (possibly) wrong sized object

```
int **p;  
  
p = malloc(N*sizeof(int));  
  
for (i=0; i<N; i++) {  
    p[i] = malloc(M*sizeof(int));  
}
```



覆盖内存/Overwriting Memory

■ Off-by-one error

```
int **p;  
  
p = malloc(N*sizeof(int *));  
  
for (i=0; i<=N; i++) {  
    p[i] = malloc(M*sizeof(int));  
}
```



覆盖内存/Overwriting Memory

- 没有检查最大字符串长度/Not checking the max string size

```
char s[8];  
int i;  
  
gets(s); /* reads "123456789" from stdin */
```

- 经典缓冲区溢出攻击的基础/Basis for classic buffer overflow attacks



覆盖内存/Overwriting Memory

■ 指针运算理解错误/Misunderstanding pointer arithmetic

```
int *search(int *p, int val) {  
  
    while (*p && *p != val)  
        p += sizeof(int);  
  
    return p;  
}
```



覆盖内存/Overwriting Memory

- 引用了一个指针，而不是其指向的对象/Referencing a pointer instead of the object it points to

```
int *BinheapDelete(int **binheap, int *size) {  
    int *packet;  
    packet = binheap[0];  
    binheap[0] = binheap[*size - 1];  
    *size--;  
    Heapify(binheap, *size, 0);  
    return(packet);  
}
```



引用不存在的变量/Referencing Nonexistent Variables

- 忘记函数返回之后局部变量不可用/Forgetting that local variables disappear when a function returns

```
int *foo () {  
    int val;  
  
    return &val;  
}
```



多次重复释放块/Freeing Blocks Multiple Times

■ Nasty!

```
x = malloc(N*sizeof(int));  
    <manipulate x>  
free(x);  
  
y = malloc(M*sizeof(int));  
    <manipulate y>  
free(x);
```


引用已经释放的块/Referencing Freed Blocks

■ Evil!

```
x = malloc(N*sizeof(int));  
    <manipulate x>  
free(x);  
    ...  
y = malloc(M*sizeof(int));  
for (i=0; i<M; i++)  
    y[i] = x[i]++;
```



没有释放内存块（内存泄漏） / Failing to Free Blocks (Memory Leaks)

- 慢性长期的问题/Slow, long-term killer!

```
foo() {  
    int *x = malloc(N*sizeof(int));  
    ...  
    return;  
}
```



没有释放内存块（内存泄漏）/Failing to Free Blocks (Memory Leaks)

- 只是释放了数据结构的一部分/Freeing only part of a data structure

```
struct list {
    int val;
    struct list *next;
};

foo() {
    struct list *head = malloc(sizeof(struct list));
    head->val = 0;
    head->next = NULL;
    <create and manipulate the rest of the list>
    ...
    free(head);
    return;
}
```



应对内存Bug/Dealing With Memory Bugs

- **调试器/Debugger: gdb**
 - 能够方便找出问题指针解引/Good for finding bad pointer dereferences
 - 难以探测其他内存问题/Hard to detect the other memory bugs
- **数据结构一致性检查/Data structure consistency checker**
 - 静默运行，出错时打印信息/Runs silently, prints message only on error
 - 用作错误归零的探针/Use as a probe to zero in on error
- **二进制翻译/Binary translator: valgrind**
 - 强大的调试和分析技术/Powerful debugging and analysis technique
 - 重写可执行目标文件的代码段/Rewrites text section of executable object file
 - 运行时检查每个单独的引用/Checks each individual reference at runtime
 - 问题指针、覆盖、越界访问/Bad pointers, overwrites, refs outside of allocated block
- **glibc malloc 包含了检查代码/glibc malloc contains checking code**
 - `setenv MALLOC_CHECK_ 3`