

Dynamic memory allocation: ←
↳ Heap → Controlled by Programmer

① malloc() → reserve block of memory of specific size
↳ Returns the address of the allocated memory (void*)

int n,
int *Ptr;

Ptr = (int *) malloc(n * sizeof(int));

Type casting

you can dynamically take n value from user

② free() Ptr of allocated memory

↳ unlike Variables, arrays; the allocated memory using malloc is not freed up by it self

Note: you should use Null safety with malloc() to avoid error if the allocation failed

int *Ptr = (int *) malloc(n * sizeof(int));

if (Ptr == NULL) return 1;

else

free(Ptr);
return 0;

③ `realloc()` → Return

↳ to increase the memory you have previously allocated using `malloc()`

Ex: you allocated 8 bytes at first and then you need 2 more bytes

`(void*) realloc (Ptr, (n+2) 8 * sizeof int);`
↓
address of previously allocated memory New size

Return → address of the resized memory

* Same as the previous address

↳ if there is enough contiguous space for the new allocated space

* New address

↳ if there is no enough contiguous space and it also free the old address and copy its data to a new address

4 Calloc() - Contiguous allocation

- ↳ allocate memory for array elements
- initialize them to zero / \0 / Null
- Return base address

Calloc (number of elements, size of each element)

Ex int *arr = calloc(5, sizeof(int));

Array of 5 integers each of value 0

Preprocessors & macros

* include <stdio.h> → executed before compiling

* include : add external header files

- ↳ stdio.h : printf(), scanf(), ...
- ↳ math.h : sqrt(), pow(), ...

* define : define macros "constants"

Ex: * define PI 3.14

Faster than
Variables Const

~~##~~ you can also define a function macro

* define circleArea(r) (PI * r * r)

Faster than
Function calls

No type checking

include guards

↳ to avoid double inclusion

↳ 'including' the same header file more than
once

Ex

Course.h

```
*/ ifndef COURSE_H → if Course.h not defined  
*/ define COURSE_H  
*/ include "Student.h"  
  
typedef struct {  
    student Students[10];  
    char name[10];  
} Course;  
  
*/ endif → end if
```

Student.h

```
*/ ifndef STUDENT_H  
*/ define STUDENT_H  
typedef struct {  
    student  
} Student;  
  
*/ endif
```

macro names should be unique.

You can use ~~*/~~ Pragma once instead

```
#Pragma once  
typedef struct {  
    student /
```