## Day 12 notes

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## Announcements/reminders

- HW2 due \*this evening\* by 11pm
  - no late submissions!
- HW3 due Friday 2/25 by 11pm

Exercise 11 review

pairwise\_sum.c

When running the program using valgrind:

valgrind --leak-check=full ./pairwise\_sum

a memory leak is reported:

```
==17736== 16 bytes in 1 blocks are definitely lost in loss record 1 of 1

==17736== at 0x483B7F3: malloc

(in /usr/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/valgrind/vgpreload_memcheck-amd64-linux.so)

==17736== by 0x10922B: pairwise_sum (pairwise_sum.c:28)

==17736== by 0x109399: main (pairwise_sum.c:57)
```

valgrind indicates there is a memory leak: the memory is allocated in the call to the pairwise\_sum function on line 57 of the main function.

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Exercise 11 review (continued)
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The code:

```
int *pairsum2 = pairwise_sum(pairwise_sum(array, 5), 4);
...
free(pairsum2);
```

Issue: pairwise\_sum returns a pointer to a dynamically allocated array, but for the "inner" call, the array is never freed.

## Fix:

```
int *a = pairwise_sum(array, 5);
int *pairsum2 = pairwise_sum(a, 4);
...
free(pairsum2);
free(a);
```

Exercise 11 review (continued):

primes.c

Issue: the set\_primes function needs to call realloc if the array of results needs to be increased in size.

\*However\*, realloc can and usually does return a pointer to a new dynamic array (with a different memory address).

Unless set\_primes can modify the list pointer in main, the main function has no way of knowing the address of the re-allocated array. Trace:

set\_primes

main



Exercise 11 review (continued):

// updated

Solution: change set\_primes so that it takes a pointer to the list pointer variable in the main function.

```
set_primes:
 // originally
 int set_primes( int *list , int capacity )
 // updated
 int set_primes( int **list , int capacity )
main:
 int *list = /* initial allocation of array */
 // originally
 int prime_count = set_primes( list , capacity );
```

int prime\_count = set\_primes( &list , capacity );

Trace: set\_primes

Main the heap

Exercise 11 review (continued):

Changes to set\_primes:

Essentially, everywhere that "list" was mentioned, we now want "\*list" so that we are referring to the "list" pointer variable in main.

One issue: array subscript operator has higher precedence than the pointer dereference operator (\*)

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So, instead of changing list[idx++] = n; to 
*list[idx++] = n; 
it should be 
(*list)[idx++] = n;
```

## Day 12 recap questions:

- 1. What output is printed by the "Example code" below?
- 2. Assume that arr is an array of 5 int elements. Is the code int \*p = arr + 5; legal?
- 3. Assume that arr is an array of 5 int elements. Is the code int \*p = arr + 5; printf("%d\n", \*p); legal?
- 4. What output is printed by the "Example code 2" below?
- 5. Suppose we have variables int ra1[10] = { 1, 2, 3}; int \* ra2 = ra1; and int fun(int \*ra); declarations. Will fun(ra1); compile? Will fun(ra2); compile? What if we change the function declaration to int fun(const int ra[]);?