

CS 121 - Worksheet 12 pt2 - More Pointer Stuff

Syntax Problems:

1. Fill in the comments indicating whatever changes are occurring.

NOTE: I will refer to dereferenced pointers as whatever they are pointing to.

NOTE 2: It's a good idea to draw out images as you read the solutions below

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;

int main()
{
    const int ARRAY_SIZE = 6;
    int* ptrA, *ptrB, *ptrC;
    int x = 20, y = 40;
    int z[ARRAY_SIZE] = {3, 6, 9, 12, 15, 18};

    ptrA = &x;                // ptrA now points to the location of x
    ptrC = &y;                // ptrC now points to the location of y
    ptrB = &z[1];            // ptrB now points to the location of z[1]

    x += z[4];                // x = 20 + 15 = 35
    *ptrC = y + *ptrA;        // y = y + x = 40 + 35 = 75
    *ptrB += *(ptrB - 1);     // z[1] = z[1] + z[0] = 6 + 3 = 9

    ptrB--;                  // ptrB now points to z[0], or ptrB =
    &z[0]                    // ptrB now points to z[0], or ptrB =
    ptrC = ptrA;              // ptrC now points to x
    ptrA = ptrB + 3;          // ptrA now point to z[0+3], or ptrA =
    &z[3]                    // ptrA now point to z[0+3], or ptrA =
    ptrB = &y;                // ptrB now points to the location of y

    *ptrA = *ptrB / 5;        // z[3] = y / 5 = 75 / 5 = 15
    *ptrB = *ptrB - 25;       // y = y - 25 = 75 - 25 = 50
    *ptrC /= 7;               // x = x / 7 = 35 / 7 = 5

    cout << x << endl;        // 5
    cout << y << endl;        // 50

    for(int i = 0; i < ARRAY_SIZE; ++i)
    {
        cout << z[i] << endl; // prints elements of z, or: 3 9 9 15 15
    }
}
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    return 0;
}

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2. Write out how to safely create a dynamically allocated integer array given an integer pointer *cake_list* and a user inputted integer *num_cakes*. Assume *num_cakes* is initialized already and *cake_list* is not pointing to anything.

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if ( num_cakes > 0 ) // verify that the integer given
{

}

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if ( NULL == cake_list ) // if the new keyword didn't work or num_cakes <= 0
{

}

```

3. Fill in the following code using proper pointer manipulation (i.e. delete whenever you use new). **NOTE:** It is highly suggested to write pseudocode first before writing out the actual code.

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// Resizes an array (arr) to new_size, keeping its elements intact
// NOTE: If new_size < current_size, truncate elements
// NOTE 2: Assume new_size >= 1
void resize_array(double* arr, int current_size, int new_size)
{
    double* new_arr = new double[new_size]; // allocate new memory
block

    if( new_arr ) // another way to see if new_arr points
somewhere
    {
        // (ix < current_size) for new_size >= current_size case (grow)
        // (ix < new_size) for new_size <= current_size case (shrink)
        for(int ix = 0; (ix < current_size) && (ix < new_size); ++ix)
        {
            new_arr[ix] = arr[ix]; // copy all possible elements in arr
        }
        delete arr; // "free" the memory of the original copy
        arr = new_arr; // point arr to the new array block
    }
    else // if new_arr wasn't allocated
    {

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        cout << "ERROR: Unable to resize array due to memory  
constraints.";  
    }  
}
```