

Assignment - 18

Q.1 What is difference between static memory allocation and dynamic memory allocations?

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- Static memory means the amount of memory to be given to the program is done at compile time.
 - Dynamic memory means the amount of memory to be given to program is done at run time.
 - Static memory allocation is considered as early binding.
 - Dynamic memory allocation is considered as late binding.
 - Static: problem of memory wastage may occur.
 - Dynamic: There is no problem of wastage of memory as memory is allocated at run time as per requirement.
 - static memory is allocated inside Heap.
 - dynamic memory is allocated inside stack.

Q.2 what are the advantages and disadvantages of dynamic memory allocation over static memory allocation?

→ • Advantage : dynamic memory allocation resolve problem of memory wastage as memory allocation is done at Run Time.

• No memory shortage.

• In static memory allocation the calculations of memory done at compile time & memory allocated at Run time therefore memory wastage & shortage problem occurs.

• when we allocate memory using dynamic approach same time memory is not given to program if there is no space on RAM.

• But in case of static the compilation error will occur in such case.

Q.3 Which functions are used in C for dynamic memory allocation & deallocation.

→ To allocate the memory there are three functions in C: (dynamic)

1. malloc ()
2. calloc ()
3. realloc ()

To deallocate the dynamic memory :

1. free ()

Q.4 What functions / operators are used in C++ programming for dynamic memory allocation & deallocation.

To allocate memory in C++ programming (dynamic) new () function is used.

To deallocate : delete () function is used.

for e.g. \rightarrow classname [*] pointer = new classname

delete (); // Free memory

Q.5 what is difference between malloc & calloc function.

→ • malloc function is accepting only one parameter i.e. no. of bytes that we want to allocate.

`void * malloc (int size) // prototype of malloc`

• The return value of malloc is `void *` [pointer] which indicates address of allocated memory.

for eg. → `isize = 0 ; // user input`
`int * ptr = NULL ; // NULL pointer`

`ptr = (int*) malloc (isize * sizeof(int) ;`

• type casting required as we get address as return \therefore `(int*)`.

• calloc function accepts two parameters.
• The first parameter is No. of element & second parameter is size of each element.

`void * calloc (int no.of.elements, int size.of.each.element) ;`

// prototype of calloc

• Returns address

- Generally malloc used for Array.

for eg. ->

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int isize = 0; // input from user is
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int *ptr = NULL // pointer stored.
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ptr = (int *) calloc (isize, sizeof (int));
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- Typecast (int*)

Q.6 Explain prototype of malloc Function

→ • prototype : void * malloc (size);

- The return type of malloc () is a address. (void*)

- malloc () accepts only one parameter as (size) no. of bytes to be allocated.

for eg. ->

```
int isize = 0; //
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```
int *ptr = NULL; //
```

```
ptr = (int *) malloc (isize * (int));
```

Size of

Q.7 why return value of malloc, calloc, realloc function is void.

→ • The malloc(), calloc(), realloc() return the memory address to store that we uses pointer (*).

- And we need different type of pointers to store different types of datatype addresses which is dynamically assign, so for that we need generic pointer void* therefore return value of all above functions is void.

Q.8 what are different uses of realloc function

→ • Realloc function is used to resize the allocated memory size.

• Realloc function used to increase or decrease the size of already allocated memory.

• realloc used for memory allocation as well as deallocation.

• realloc :

// prototype

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void * realloc (void *ptr, int new size)

for eg. \rightarrow

memory allocation using malloc

`calloc : int *ptr = (int*) malloc (6 * sizeof(int))`

// Memory allocated 24 bytes

Increasing using realloc

`ptr = (int*) realloc (ptr, 32)`

// 8 bytes increase.

Decreasing using realloc

`ptr = (int*) realloc (ptr, 16)`

// 8 bytes decrease.

Q.9 what happens if first parameter of realloc function is NULL?

\rightarrow o If first parameter of realloc () is NULL, Then we can use it as malloc function

\rightarrow `void * realloc (NULL * ptr , int new-size)`

becomes malloc function

`// void * realloc (int new-size);`

Q10 what happens if second parameter of `realloc` function is 0?

→ If we give second parameter of `realloc` function 0 it working as free function & deallocate the memory

→ `void * realloc (int * ptr, 0)`