



CS F111: Computer Programming

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Lect 27: Free(), Memory Leak, etc



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Free()

```
1
2 #include <stdio.h>
3 #include<stdlib.h>
4
5 int main()
6 {
7     int n, i, *ptr;
8     printf("Enter total number of values: ");
9     scanf("%d",&n);
10    ptr=(int*)malloc(n*sizeof(int));
11    for(i=0;i<n;i++)
12    {
13        scanf("%d", (ptr+i));
14    }
15    free(ptr);
16    printf("Entered values are: ");
17    for(i=0;i<n;i++)
18    {
19        printf("%d ",*(ptr+i));
20    }
21    //free(ptr);
22    return 0;
23 }
24
25
```

```
Enter total number of values: 5
1 2 3 4 5
Entered values are: 0 0 -1238372336 21950 5
...Program finished with exit code 0
Press ENTER to exit console.
```

```
1
2 #include <stdio.h>
3 #include<stdlib.h>
4
5 int *display()
6 {
7     int i, *ptr;
8     ptr=(int*)malloc(3*sizeof(int));
9     for(i=0;i<3;i++)
10    {
11        scanf("%d", (ptr+i));
12    }
13    return ptr;
14 }
15
16 int main()
17 {
18     int i, *ptr1;
19
20     ptr1=display();
21
22     //free(ptr);
23     printf("Entered values are: ");
24     for(i=0;i<3;i++)
25    {
26        printf("%d ",*(ptr1+i));
27    }
28    free(ptr1);
29
30    return 0;
31 }
32
33
```

```
1 3 5
Entered values are: 1 3 5
...Program finished with exit code 0
Press ENTER to exit console.
```

Memory Leak in C

Due to improper use of DMA in the heap section.

```
include<stdio.h>
include<stdlib.h>

main()

int ch=1;
int *ptr;
while(ch<50)
{
    printf("Memory Leak\n");
    ptr=(int*)malloc(40000*sizeof(int));

    printf("Continue? press 1 for continu
    scanf("%d",&ch);
}
```

Dangling Pointer

```
1  #include <stdio.h>
2  #include<stdlib.h>
3  int main()
4  {
5      int *ptr=(int*)malloc(sizeof(int));
6      *ptr=10;
7      printf("%d\n",*ptr);
8      free(ptr);
9
10     printf("%d\n",*ptr);
11     return 0;
12 }
13
```

```
10
0

...Program finished with exit code 0
Press ENTER to exit console.
```

Wild Pointer