

e1 - cheatsheet

Linux Commands

man command : Show the manual of command

ls : List all files in the directory

-a : List includes hidden files

-l : List include user read/write/execute permission

cat : Show the content of the file

echo word : Print word

ssh : Connect to an another machine

Absolute filepath : Starting from home

ex : /p/course/cs354/file.txt

Relative filepath : Starting from current directory.

ex : ./cs354/file.txt

when currently in /p/course

Andrew File System (afs) Command

cd dir : Change directory to dir

mkdir dir : Create new directory name dir

-P : If there is no directory as mentioned, force create it.

rmdir dir : Remove / delete directory name dir

mv file1 location1 : Move file to new location

file1 location1/file2 : Move file to new location and rename

cp : Copy files in local machine

scp : Copy files through machines

-r : Copy folder through machines

pwd : Print working directory

GCC

gcc prog.c -Wall -m32 -std=gnu99 -o prog

Source file

Print all warnings 32-bit compiler

Program name

gcc -E : Preprocessing Stage (.i)

- ↳ Remove comments, expand macros (`#define`), include file
- ↳ Output intermediate file

gcc -S : Compiling Stage (.s)

- ↳ Translate code to assembly language (file)

gcc -C : Assembling Stage (.o)

- ↳ Convert assembly into machine code

gcc : Linking stage

- ↳ Link .o files with other predefined object files

- ↳ Create EOF (executable obj files)

gcc -g : Enable debugging

Vim

vim file : Open file in editor.

If file doesn't exist then create and open

ESC : Normal mode

:q! : Quit file

:w : Save file

i : Text edit mode / Insert text

q_l : Delete 1 character

d_l : Delete the whole line

/<char> : Find <char> in file

C Programming

1) if (c = 0) \Rightarrow c = 0; if (c)

0, NULL, '\0' return false

2) Variables:

Endianness: Bytes ordering

- Little endian : $\begin{matrix} \text{high} \\ \text{low} \end{matrix}$
- Big endian : $\begin{matrix} \text{low} \\ \text{high} \end{matrix}$

Explicit casting : (type name) expression

Implicit casting :

1) Arguments are forced castings

2) Casting hierarchy: long double > double > float > int
char and short are convert to int

$i++ \rightarrow$ do something ; $i = i + 1$
 $++i \rightarrow i = i + 1$; do something

3) Pointers

Indirect access to memory and functions

int *p; Declare a pointer p to int

int *p1, *p2; Declare 2 pointers p1 and p2 to int

int *p1, p2; Declare a pointer p1 and an int p2



&i : Address of i

*p : Dereference p, access pointee of p

Arrays

Arrays (Stack Allocated Array)

int a[]; // Stack allocated array

a is not a variable, but an identifier

~~a[0]~~ ~~[]~~



If used as source operand, provide the address (or a[0])

Arrays (Heap Allocated)

int *a = malloc(sizeof(int) * N);

STACK

HEAP



based on type: $\text{int} * a \Rightarrow +4 \text{ bytes}$
 $\text{char} * a \Rightarrow +1 \text{ bytes}$

Address Arithmetic: $a[i] = * (a + i)$

$\text{int} * y = x + n$ // where $x = a$ and a has size $> n$
Then: $\rightarrow *y - *x = \text{size_of_type} * n$
 $\rightarrow y - x = n$

Passing Address

Scalar : Copies value of its scalar args

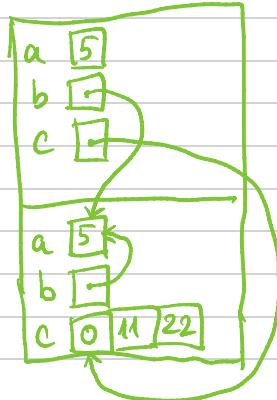
Pointers : Copies address variable

Arrays : Copies array address variable

`malloc (size_of_bytes)`

↳ Reserve blocks of heap in memory

↳ Returns a generic pointer to the memory



`free (void * ptr)`

↳ Free the memory in heap

`sizeof ()` → Return # bytes of a type

↳ double : 8

↳ char : 1

↳ int : 4

Pointers Caveat:

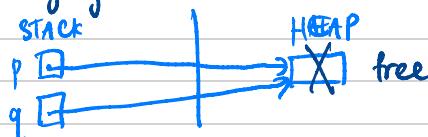
1) Uninitialized

`int * p; *p = 11;` → Intermittent error

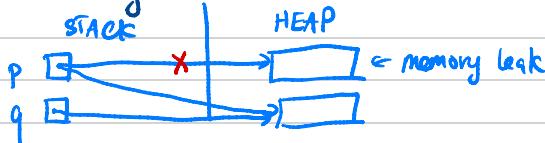
2) Null pointer

`int * q; *q = 12;` → Segmentation fault

3) Dangling Pointer



4) Memory leak



C String / string.h

String literal : A constant source code string allocated prior to execution in the CODE segment

`char *sptr = "CS354"`



`char str[9] = "CS 354" // This is SAA, and the chars are copied`



$\hookrightarrow \text{strlen} = 7 ; \text{sizeof} = 9$

Assignment :

- ✓ `sptr = "abc"; // Assigning pointers`
- ✓ `strcpy(str, "abc");`

X `str = "abc"; // C doesn't allow this`

X `strcpy(str, "very very long string"); // Buffer overflow`

X `strcpy(sptr, "..."); // Cannot change in CODE segment
// Seg fault`

string.h

`int strlen(char *);` : Return the length (from first index to first '\0')

`int strcmp(const char *, const char *);` : Compare 2 strings

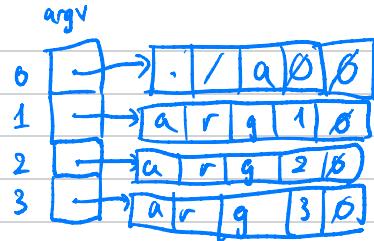
`char * strcpy(char *, const char *);` : Copies

`char * strcat(char *, const char *);` : Concatenate

Command Line Arguments

CLAs
 ./a args arg2 arg3 arg4
 program args

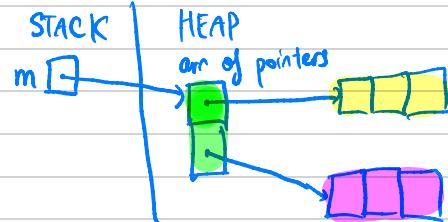
int argc : # CLAs
 char ** argv : Argument vector, array of CLAs



2D Arrays

1) 2D Arrays On Heap

```
int ** m;
m = malloc(sizeof(int*) * n);
for i=0 → n-1 :
    *(m+i) = malloc(sizeof(int) * n)
```



Free the component in reverse order of malloc

Address Arithmetic :

$$m[i][j] \equiv (*m + i)[j] \equiv *(m[i] + j) \equiv *(*m + i) + j$$



2) Stack :

int m[][];

2D Arrays allocated in memory are laid out in row-major order, as a contiguous block of memory with 1 row after another

Address Arithmetic :

$$m[i][j] \equiv *(*m + i) + j \\ \equiv *m + \text{cols} * i + j$$



3) Caveats

Arrays have no bound checking // Buffer Flow

Arrays cannot be return type, use pointer instead

Not all 2D arrs are alike (Test: check if $m[i][j]$ is valid)

An array argument must match it types

↳ SAA requires all but the first dim matches

Structures

Define

```
struct name {  
};
```

```
typedef struct {  
} name;
```

Declare `struct name Var;`

`name Var;`

A structure identifier \leftarrow read the entire struct (as source op)
write the entire struct (as dest op)

Structure can contain other structs or arrays as deep as we can
Arrays can have struct for elements

Structures are passed-by-value to function, which copies the entire struct (slow)

Solution: Pointers (enable linked structure)

$$(*m).data \equiv m \rightarrow \text{data}$$
$$*m.\text{data} \equiv *(\text{m}.data)$$

I/O

Format Specifiers

%d : Signed int %i : Unsigned integer

%f : Float %.ⁿf : Precision

%s : String %.ⁿs : Print at most characters

%c : Char

%p : Pointer (hex) %% : A normal %

1) Standard I/O : Keyboard + Terminal

getchar : Get 1 char

gets : Get 1 string (Not formatted)

int scanf (const char *format, &v1, &v2)

↳ Read the FORMATTED string

↳ Return # inputs stored, or EOF if error/ end of file occurs before inputs

putchar : Print 1 char

puts : Print 1 string (Not formatted)

int printf (const char *format, v1, v2)

↳ Write formatted output

↳ Return # char written, or negative if error

Use \n to flush buffer

2) String I/O

int sscanf (const char *str, const char *format, &v1, &v2, ...)

↳ Read formatted String from str

↳ Return # chars read, or negative if error

int sprintf (char *str, const char *format, v1, v2, ...)

↳ Write formatted string to str

↳ Return # chars written, or negative if error

3) File I/O

fgetc : Read 1 char at a time

fgets : Read 1 string, terminate with a newline char or EOF

int fscanf (FILE * stream , const char * format , &v1 , &v2 , ...)

↳ Read formatted string from stream

↳ Return # inputs stored, or EOF if error / end of file

fputc : Write 1 char

fputs : Write 1 string

int fprintf (FILE * stream , const char * format , v1 , v2 , ...)

↳ Write formatted output to stream

↳ Return # chars written

stdin - Console keyboard

stdout - Console terminal window

stderr - Console terminal window, second stream for errors.

FILE * fopen (const char * filename , const char * mode)

↳ Open the specified filename with specified mode

↳ Return FILE pointer, or NULL if there's an access problem

int fclose (FILE * stream)

↳ FLUSH the output buffer and then close the stream

↳ Return 0, or EOF if error

Memory

• Abstraction: Manage complexity by focusing on relevant detail

Three Faces of Memory:

1) Process View = Virtual Memory

Goal: Provide simple view

Virtual Address Space: Illusion that each process has its own contiguous blocks of memory

2) System View = Illusionist

Goal: Make memory SHAREABLE & SECURE

Pages: 4KB of storage fixed-size blocks

Page table: An OS Data structure that maps virtual page to physical page to keep process from interfering with each other

3) Hardware View = Physical Memory

Goal: Keep CPU busy

Physical Address Space: multi-level addr hierarchy access data in memory closest to CPU

Virtual Address Space

Kernel: Memory resident portion of OS

User Process: Process that are not kernel

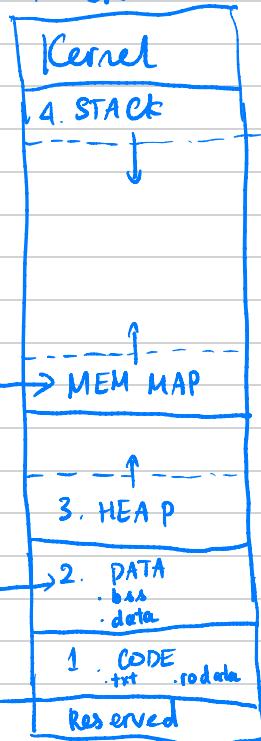
Every user process has a simple view of memory and makes coding easier

DLL, File, I/O, Main Memory, Request

User has 2GB, OS has 2GB

Global & Static Local Var

0x08048000



Abstract Memory Model

1) CODE

Contains : Program code in binary-machine code

- .text : machine code

- .rodata : string literal

Lifetime : Entire program's execution

Initialization : By loader from exec obj file BEFORE execution

Access : Read only

2) DATA :

Contains : Global & Static Local Variable

- .bss : Uninitialized or initialized to 0

- .data : initialized to non-zero values

Lifetime : Entire program's execution

Initialization : By loader from exec obj file

Access : Read + Write

3) HEAP (Free Store)

Contains : Memory allocated and freed during execution

Lifetime : Managed by programmer through malloc/calloc/alloc and free

Initialization : None by default

Access : Read + Write

4) STACK (Auto Store)

Contains : Memory in stack frame , auto-allocate and free

Stack frame : Non-static local var, func params,
temp var of loop, etc.

Lifetime : From declaration until end of scope

Initialization : None by default

Access : Read + Write

* Note :

- Memory allocations ALWAYS initialized : CODE, DATA
- Can write : DATA, HEAP, STACK
- malloc : HEAP
- Not user process : Kernel
- Global / Static Local : DATA
- String literal : CODE

Shadowing

When local variable blocks access to global variable

C stdlib.h

- Contains a collection of ~25 common C functions that do
 - + Conversion
 - + Search
 - + Execution Flow
 - + Sorting
 - + Math
 - + Randomize

Heap Allocator

`void *malloc (size_t size);`

Allocate and return generic pointer to block of heap memory of size, or return NULL if error

`void *calloc (size_t n, size_t size)`

Allocate, clear to 0, and return a block of heap of size * n, or return NULL if error

`void *realloc (void *ptr, size_t size)`

Reallocate to size bytes a previously allocated block of heap memory pointed to by ptr, or return NULL if error

`void free (void *ptr)`

Free the heap memory. If ptr NULL then do nothing.
// Double free cause undefined behavior