

PA2 tutorial

- from the point of getting code to work

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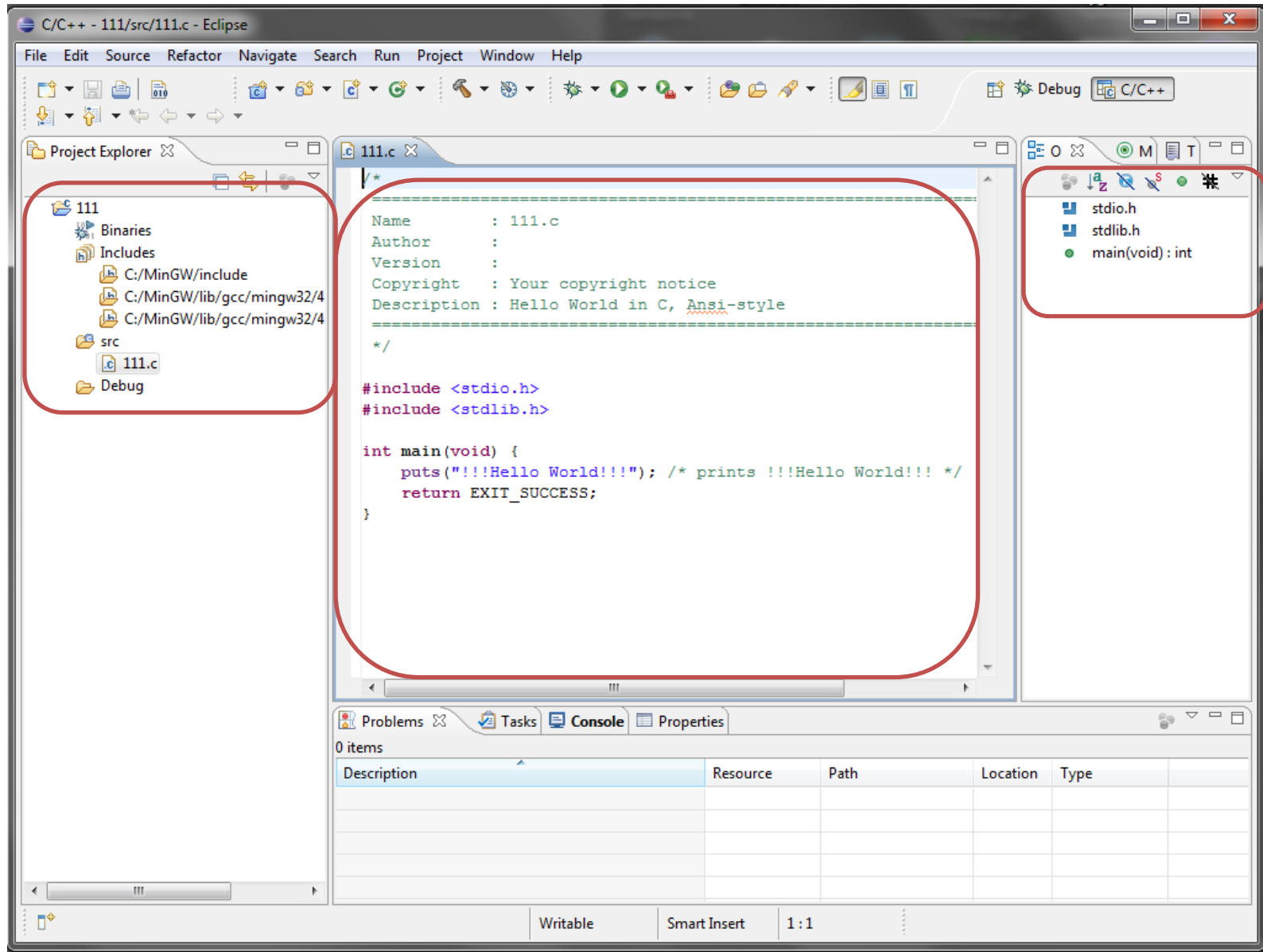
Tools

- IDE: eclipse + CDT
 - Check compile errors
 - Debug
- Valgrind
 - Check memory related problems
 - Segfault! Glibc free crash!

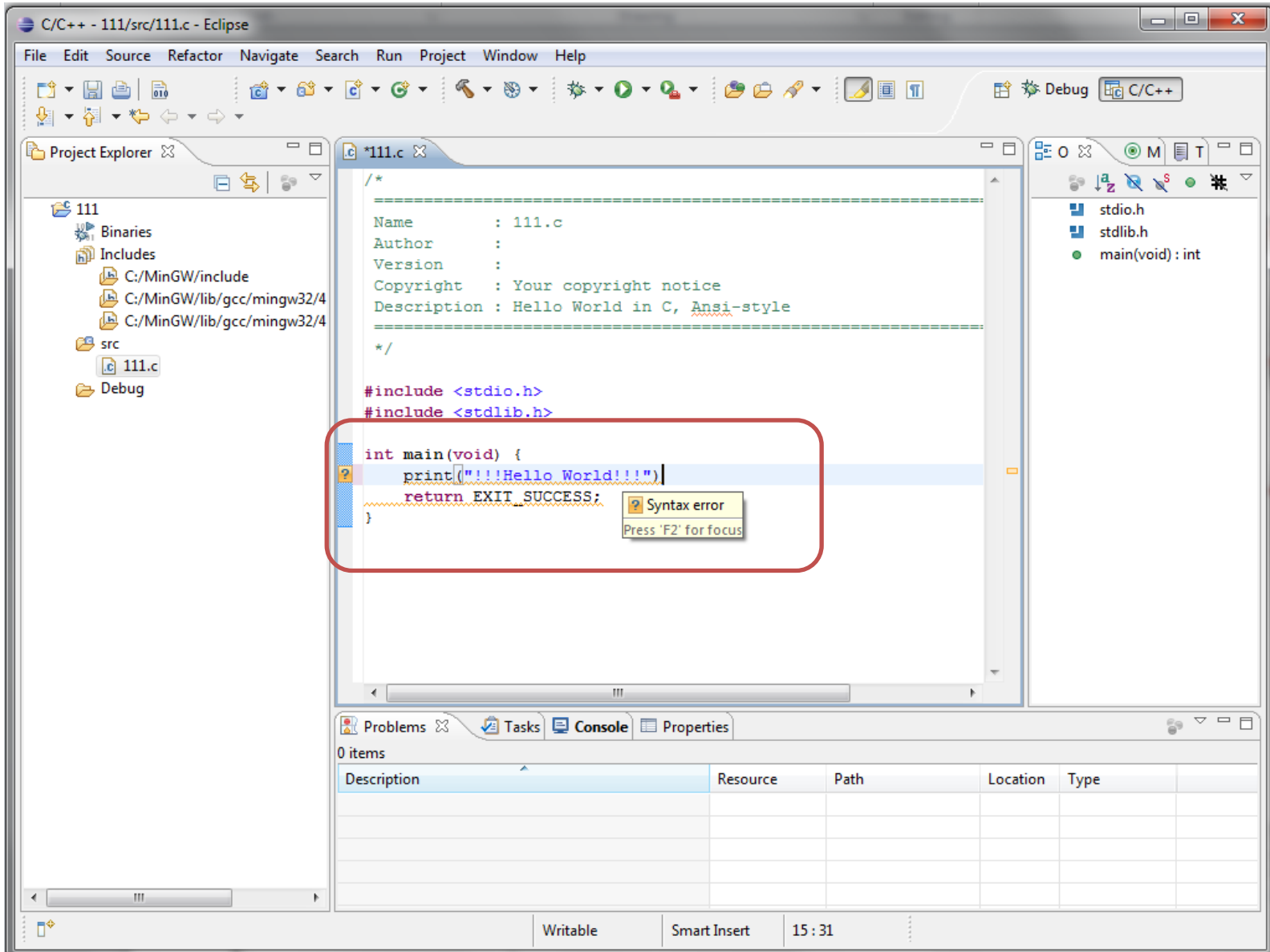
Eclipse

- Windows, Mac, Linux
- IDE for Java, C++, Python...

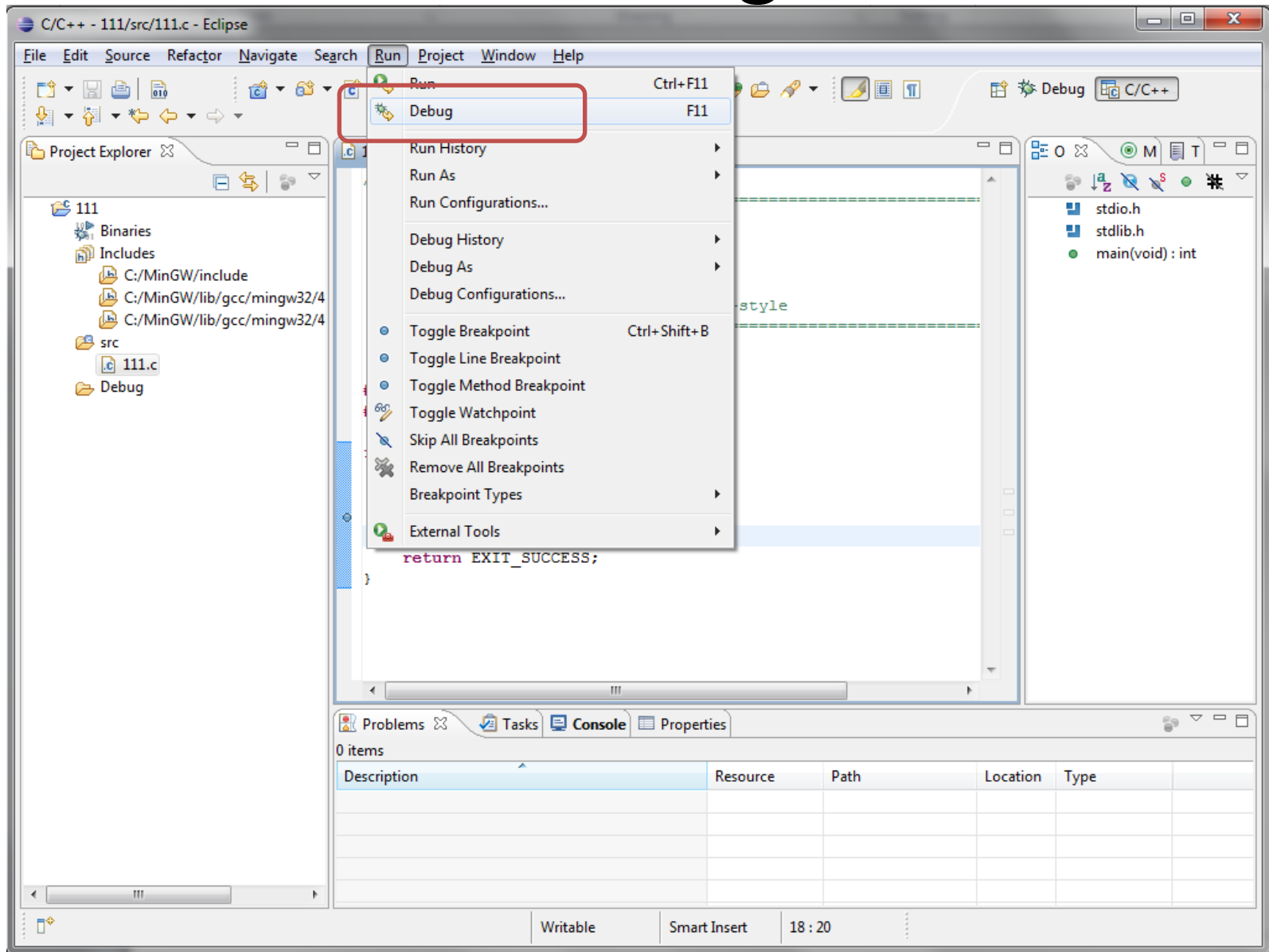
Eclipse



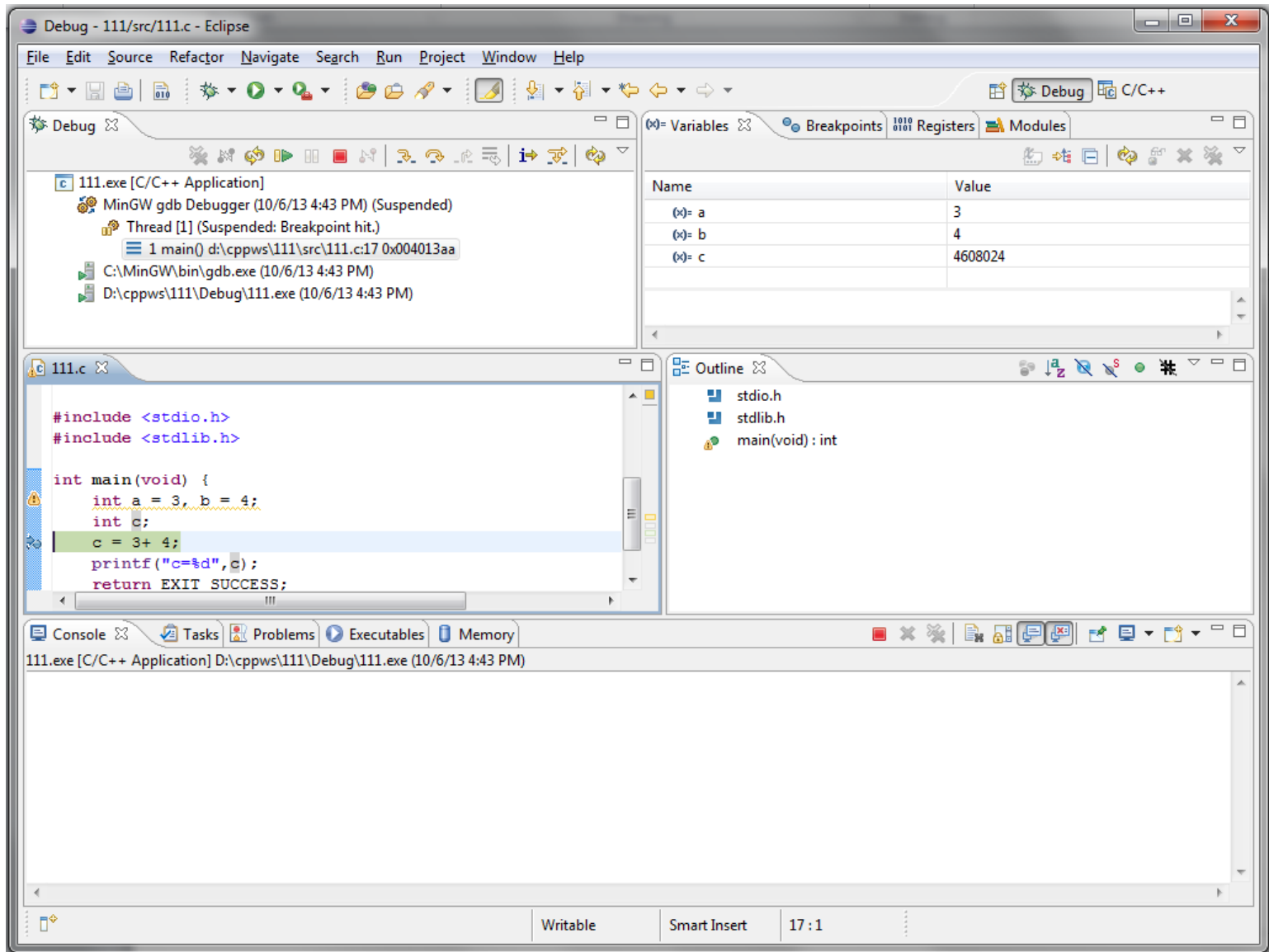
Compile errors



Debug



Debug



Valgrind

- Memory problems (#1 C problem)
 - Segmentation fault (35% occurrence in PA1)
 - Glibc complains on calling free() (10% occurrence in PA1)
 - Hidden - _____ -
- Valgrind runs with your program and checks memory-related problems
- Linux*

Valgrind: howto

- Command line: `valgrind ./mydisk`

```
==26984== Syscall param write(buf) points to uninitialised byte(s)
==26984==    at 0x3A25CDB650: __write_nocancel (in /lib64/libc-2.12.so)
==26984==    by 0x3A25C71D52: _IO_file_write@@GLIBC_2.2.5 (in /lib64/libc-2.12.so)
==26984==    by 0x3A25C71C19: _IO_file_xsputn@@GLIBC_2.2.5 (in /lib64/libc-2.12.so)
==26984==    by 0x3A25C67CCC: fwrite (in /lib64/libc-2.12.so)
==26984==    by 0x40094F: mydisk_init (mydisk.c:34)
==26984==    by 0x4014E2: main (test.c:87)
==26984== Address 0x7ff000290 is on thread 1's stack
```

Valgrind: howto

```
==26984== Invalid write of size 2
==26984==    at 0x4A08D74: memcpy (mc_replace_strmem.c:882)
==26984==    by 0x400E4A: mydisk_write (mydisk.c:183)
==26984==    by 0x40144F: stress_test2 (test.c:66)
==26984==    by 0x40175E: main (test.c:130)
==26984== Address 0x4c6678e is not stack'd, malloc'd or (recently) free'd
```

Valgrind: howto

- Bugs
 - Write to a freed location
 - Read an uninitialized location
- How to fix?
 - Debug the program with eclipse
 - Set a breakpoint at the problematic line

Understand the language

- Pointers, variables and arrays
- Casting and reinterpreting memory
- sizeof, strlen, strcpy
- Bit operations

Variables and pointers

a:

11	22	33	44
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Address=0x1000

p:

00	00	10	00
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Address=0x2000

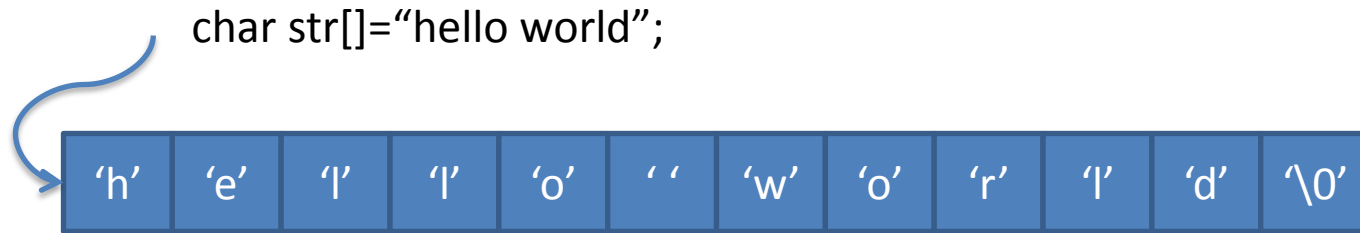
Definition

```
int a=0x11223344;  
int *p = &a;
```

Use

	value	type
a	0x11223344	Int
&a	0x1000	Int*
p	0x1000	Int*
*p	0x11223344	int
&p	0x2000	Int **

Arrays and pointers



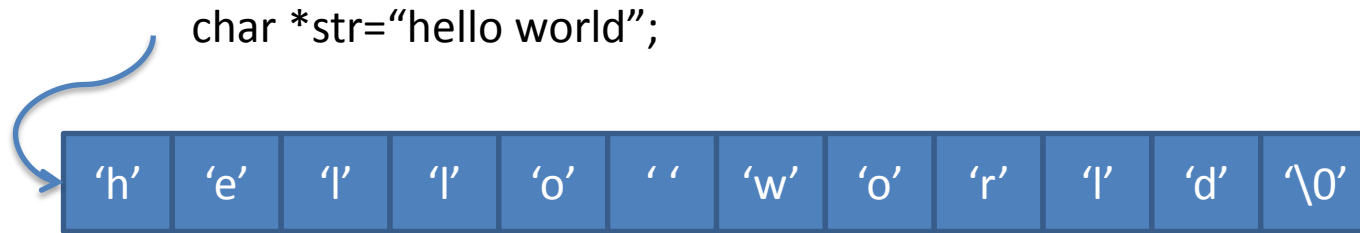
Address=0x1000

Use

	value	type
str[0]	'h'	char
str	0x1000	char*

An array is a pointer

Moving inside an array



Address=0x1000

	value	type
str[0]	'h'	char
str[1]	'e'	char
str+1	0x1001	Char*
*(str+1)	'e'	char
(str+1)[1]	'l'	char

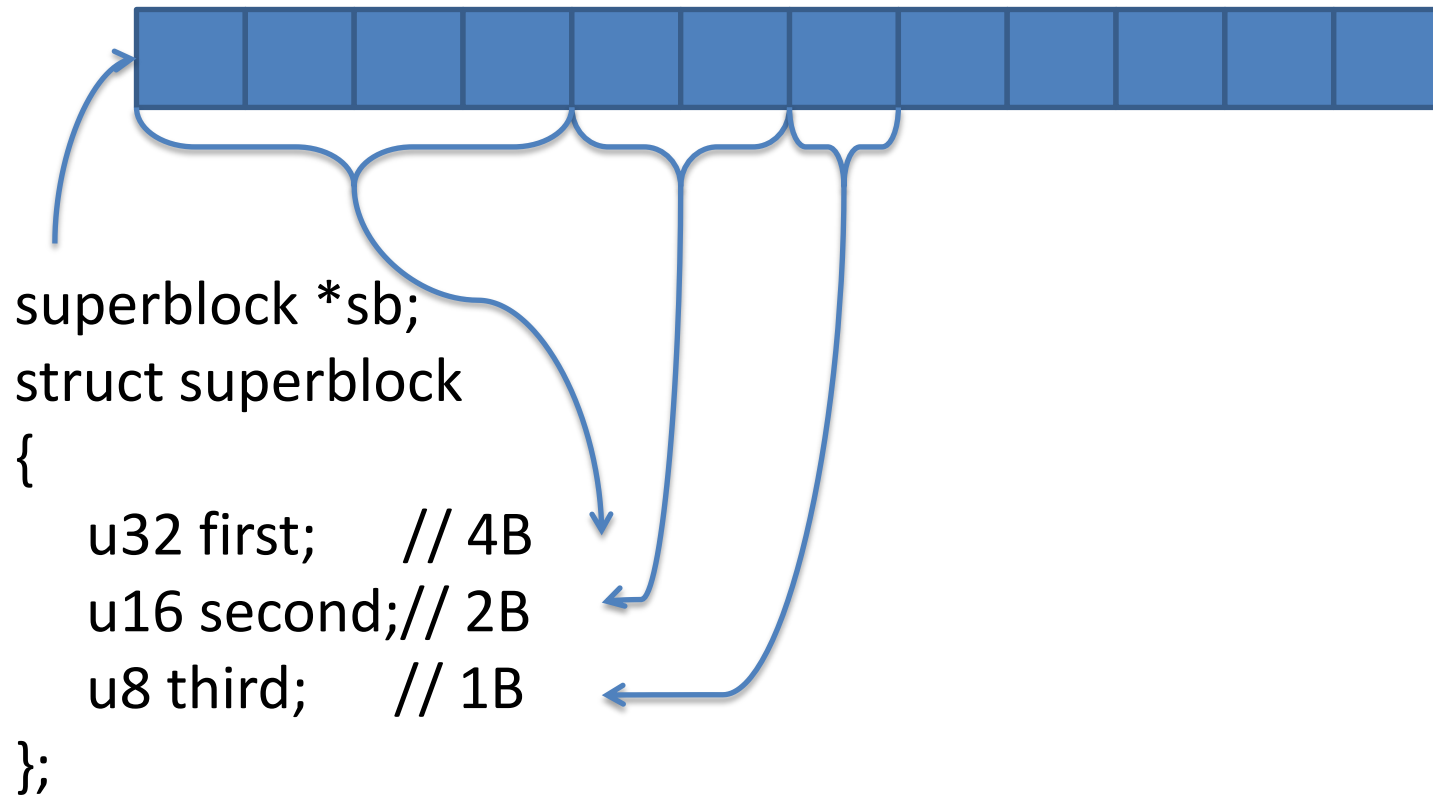
Arrays (cont.)



Address=0x1000

	value	type
arr[0]	5	int
arr	0x1000	int*
arr+1	0x1004	Int *
*(arr+1)==arr[1]	7	Int
(arr+1)[1]==arr[2]	9	int

Struct

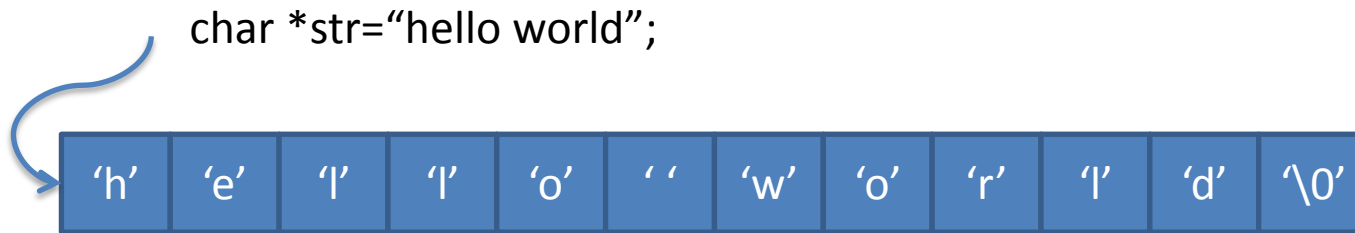


Use pointers correctly

- A pointer can points to one variable or an array ...
 - one variable is an array of only one element
- Always know where your pointer points to
 - What is your pointers' limit
 - E.g. p points to single variable, then *p, p[0] are valid while p[1] is not

casting

- Reinterpret the memory

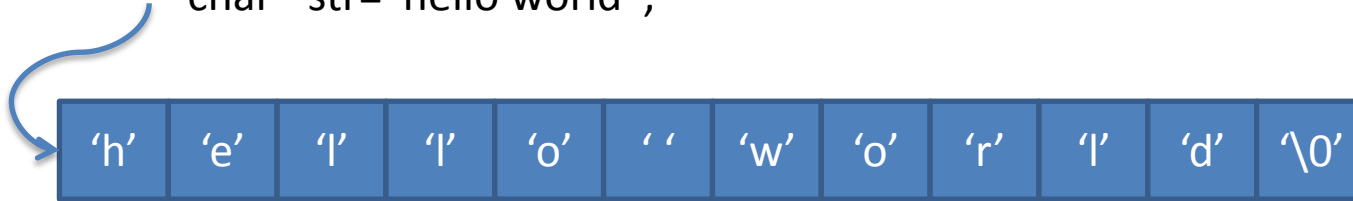


Address=0x1000

casting

- Reinterpret the memory

`char *str="hello world";`



Address=0x1000



`Int *a = (int *)str;`



Address=0x1000

casting

- Block to superblock, inode, directory,

Char buffer[BLOCK_SIZE]



.....



sb



```
struct superblock
{
    u32 first;    // 4B
    u16 second;  // 2B
    u8  third;    // 1B
};
```

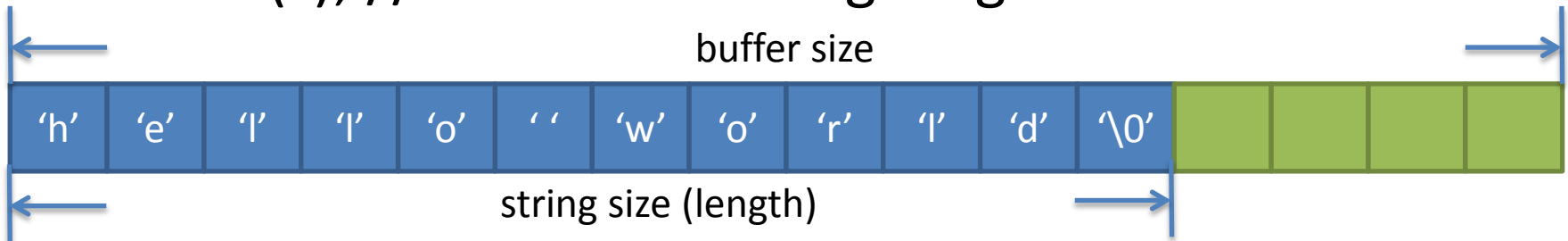
Size of “memory”

- buffer size, string size, sizeof

```
char *s = (char *)malloc(16);
```

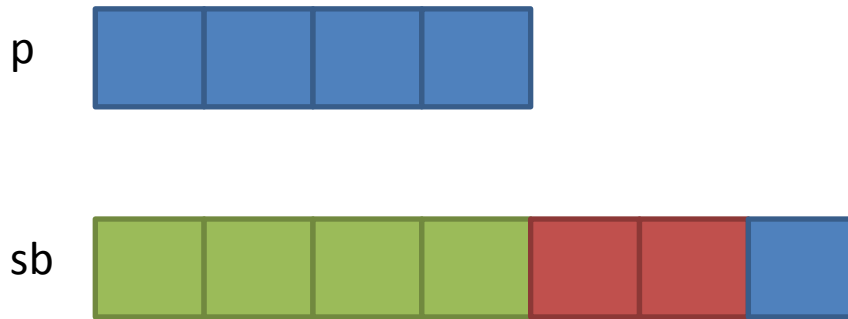
```
strcpy(s, "hello world!");
```

```
strlen(s); // return the string length
```



- $\text{sizeof}(s) = \text{sizeof}(\text{its type}) = \text{sizeof}(\text{char } *) = 4$

Sizeof



```
struct superblock
{
    u32 first;    // 4B
    u16 second;  // 2B
    u8  third;   // 1B
};
```

- `superblock sb;`
- `superblock *p = &sb;`
- `sizeof(p) = sizeof(superblock *) = 4`
- `sizeof(sb) = sizeof(superblock) = 4+2+1 = 7`
- `sizeof(*p) = ?`

PA2 hints

- read a “superblock” from the disk

```
sfs_read_block(char *buf, int bid);
```

```
char *b = malloc(BLOCK_SIZE);
```

```
sfs_read_block(b, x);
```

```
superblock *sb = (superblock *)b;
```

```
....
```

```
free(b); or free(sb);
```

```
// the free is able to tell the buffer size
```


Even simpler

- Assume superblock occupies one block
 - i.e., `sizeof(superblock) = BLOCK_SIZE`

```
superblock sb; // not a pointer!
```

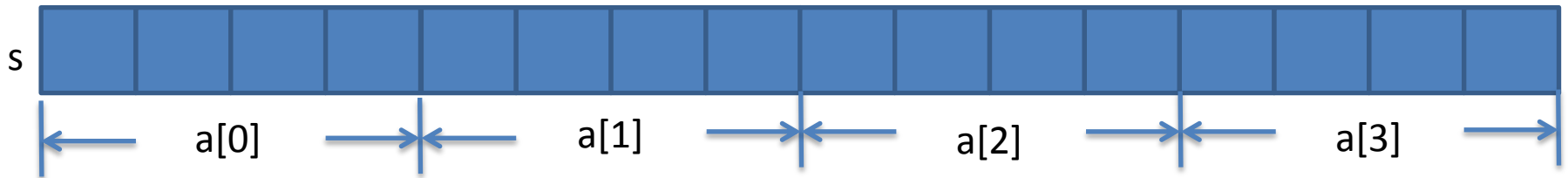
```
sfs_read_block((char*)&sb, x);
```

```
// use sb
```

```
// Do not need to free sb
```

You can also ...

- `char *s = (char *)malloc(16);`
- `u32 *a = (u32 *)s;`



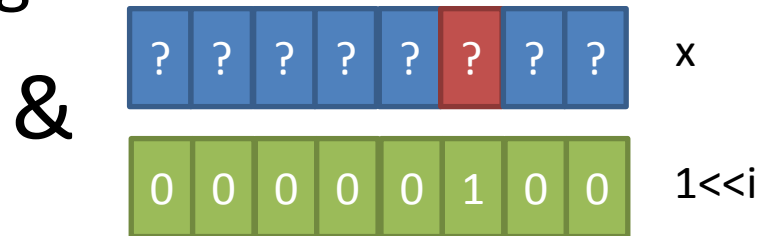
- You will use this for freemap management in PA2

Bit operation

- \ll (left shift), $\&$ (AND), $|$ (OR), \wedge (XOR), \sim (NOT)

- Fetch the i -th bit of an integer x

- $x \& (1 \ll i)$



- Set the i -th bit of x

- $x | (1 \ll i)$

- Unset the i -th bit of x

- $x \& \sim(1 \ll i)$

- More: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bit_manipulation

- Thank you Q/A