Dynamic Data Structures

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1. (Memory)

Given the following definition:

```
int data[12] = \{5, 3, 6, 2, 7, 4, 9, 1, 8\};
```

and assuming that &data[0] == 0x10000, what are the values of the following expressions?

```
data + 4
*data + 4
*(data + 4)
data[4]
*(data + *(data + 3))
data[data[2]]
```

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2. (Pointers)

Consider the following piece of code:

```
typedef struct {
   int
         studentID;
   int
         age;
   char gender;
   float WAM;
} PersonT;
PersonT per1;
PersonT per2;
PersonT *ptr;
ptr = &per1;
per1.studentID = 3141592;
ptr->gender = 'M';
ptr = &per2;
ptr->studentID = 2718281;
ptr->gender = 'F';
per1.age = 25;
per2.age = 24;
ptr = &per1;
per2.WAM = 86.0;
ptr->WAM = 72.625;
```

What are the values of the fields in the *per1* and *per2* record after execution of the above statements?

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3. (Memory management)

Consider the following function:

```
/* Makes an array of 10 integers and returns a pointer to it */
int *makeArrayOfInts() {
   int arr[10];
   int i;
  for (i=0; i<10; i++) {
      arr[i] = i;
   return arr;
```

Explain what is wrong with this function. Rewrite the function so that it correctly achieves the intended result using malloc().

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4. (Memory management)

Consider the following program:

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <assert.h>
void func(int *a) {
   a = malloc(sizeof(int));
   assert(a != NULL);
}
int main(void) {
   int *p;
   func(p);
   *p = 6;
  printf("%d\n",*p);
   free(p);
   return 0;
```

Explain what is wrong with this program.

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5. (Dynamic arrays)

Write a C-program that

- takes 1 command line argument, a positive integer *n*
- creates a dynamic array of *n* unsigned long long int numbers (8 bytes, only positive numbers)
- uses the array to compute the *n*'th Fibonacci number.

For example, **./fib 60** should result in 1548008755920.

Hint: The placeholder %11u (instead of %d) can be used to print an unsigned long long int. Recall that the Fibonacci numbers are defined as Fib(1) = 1, Fib(2) = 1 and Fib(n) = Fib(n-1)+Fib(n-2) for n≥3.

An example of the program executing could be

```
prompt$ ./fib 60
1548008755920
```

If the commad line argument is missing, then the output to stderr should be

```
prompt$ ./fib
Usage: ./fib number
```

We have created a script that can automatically test your program. To run this test you can execute the dryrun program that corresponds to this exercise. It expects to find a program named fib.c in the current directory. You can use dryrun as follows:

```
prompt$ 9024 dryrun fib
```

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6. Challenge Exercise

Write a C-program that takes 1 command line argument and prints all its *prefixes* in decreasing order of length.

- You are not permitted to use any library functions other than printf(). You are not permitted to use any array other than argv[].

An example of the program executing could be

```
prompt$ ./prefixes Programming
Programming
Programmin
Programmi
Programm
Program
Progra
Progr
Prog
Pro
Pr
Ρ
```