

Programming basics

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Task:

- Improve the existing bubble sort program! Let the user enter the numbers to be sorted! Finish reading the input by entering a negative number.
- Entering more numbers than the size of the array must be prevented.

Problems:

- The count of numbers should be known at compile time
- Undersized array → there will be no space for the data
- Oversized array → wasting the memory
- The oversized array causes the smaller problem.

Sorting numbers

Output1

Enter non-negative numbers

Number #1: 2

Number #2: 4

Number #3: 1

Number #4: 3

Number #5: -1

After sorting:

1	2	3	4
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Output2

Enter non-negative numbers

Number #1: 5

Number #2: 4

Number #3: 3

Number #4: 2

Number #5: 1

After sorting:

1	2	3	4	5
---	---	---	---	---

Sorting numbers

bubble5.c

```
3  #define MAX 5

37 int main(void) {
38     int used; // Number of used array elements
39     int numbers[MAX];
40     printf("Enter non-negative numbers\n");
41     used = read(numbers);
42     bubble(numbers, used);
43     printf("After sorting:\n");
44     printArray(numbers, used);
45     return 0;
46 }
```

Sorting numbers

bubble5.c

```
5  int read(int* numbers) {
6      int current, used = 0;
7      do {
8          printf("Number #%d: ", used + 1);
9          scanf("%d", &current);
10         if(current >= 0 and used < MAX) {
11             *(numbers + used) = current;
12             used++;
13         }
14     } while(current >= 0 and used < MAX);
15     return used;
16 }
```

Dynamic memory allocation

- The programmer decides the lifetime of dynamic variables
- `stdlib.h` must be included
- Memory allocation:
 - `void *malloc(size_t size);`
Allocates `size` bytes of memory and returns its address. The allocated area is *uninitialized*.
 - `void *calloc(size_t nmemb, size_t size);`
Allocates and returns the address of a continuous memory area for an array containing `nmemb` elements, each of which requires `size` bytes of memory. The area is *initialized to zeros*.
 - `void *realloc(void *ptr, size_t size);`
Resizing the already allocated memory area without modifying the stored content.
- The return value is `NULL` in case of an error → should be checked
- Freeing memory: `void free(void *ptr);`
- The same memory area cannot be freed several times
- Freeing `NULL` does not cause problems

Tasks:

- Allocate memory dynamically for the array containing the numbers to be sorted
- Enter the count of numbers first, then allocate the required amount of memory and read the numbers
- Do not forget to free the allocated area as soon as possible

bubble6.c

```
34 int main(void) {  
35     int total; // we have so many numbers in total  
36     int* numbers = read(&total);  
37     bubble(numbers, total);  
38     printf("After sorting:\n");  
39     printArray(numbers, total);  
40     free(numbers);  
41     return 0;  
42 }
```


Sorting numbers

bubble6.c

```
4  int* read(int* total) {
5      printf("How many numbers do you want to sort? ");
6      scanf("%d", total);
7      int* numbers = (int*)malloc(*total * sizeof(int));
8      for(int i=0; i<*total; i++) {
9          printf("Number #%d: ", i + 1);
10         scanf("%d", numbers + i); // &numbers[i]
11     }
12     return numbers;
13 }
```

Tasks:

- Record the names and grades of students (one grade per student)
- Read the number of students first, then allocate the required amount of memory to store an array of name-grade structures
- Allocate memory dynamically even for the names!
- Sort the list according to the names and display it

Student register

students1.c

```
6  struct student {
7      char* name;
8      int grade;
9  };

72 int main(void) {
73     int n;
74     struct student *s = read(&n);
75     if(s) {
76         bubble(s, n);
77         print(s, n);
78         freeMem(s, n);
79     }
80     return 0;
81 }
```

Student register

students1.c

```
27 #define MAX 128
28 struct student* read(int* n) {
29     printf("How many students are on the course? ");
30     scanf("%d%c", n); // delete the new line character from the input buffer
31     struct student* s = (struct student*) malloc(
32         *n * sizeof(struct student));
33     if (!s) return NULL;
34     for (int i=0; i<*n; i++) {
35         printf("Name of student #%d: ", i+1);
36         char name[MAX];
37         int length = size_getline(name, MAX-1);
38         s[i].name = (char*) malloc(length + 1);
39         if (!s[i].name) { freeMem(s, i-1); return NULL; }
40         strcpy(s[i].name, name);
41         printf("Grade: ");
42         scanf("%d%c", &s[i].grade);
43     }
44     return s;
45 }
```

students1.c

```
47 void bubble(struct student* s, int n) {
48     for(int e=n-1; e>=1; e--) {
49         for(int b=0; b<e; b++) {
50             if(strcmp(s[b].name, s[b+1].name) > 0) {
51                 struct student swap = s[b];
52                 s[b] = s[b+1];
53                 s[b+1] = swap;
54             }
55         }
56     }
57 }
```

Student register

students1.c

```
59 void print(struct student* s, int n) {
60     int longest = 0;
61     for(int i=0; i<n; i++) {
62         int length = strlen(s[i].name);
63         if(length > longest) longest = length;
64     }
65     for(int i=0; i<n; i++) {
66         // Column width specified at runtime
67         printf("%*s %d\n",
68             longest, s[i].name, s[i].grade);
69     }
70 }
```

students1.c

```
20 void freeMem(struct student* s, int n) {  
21     for(int i=0; i<n; i++) {  
22         free(s[i].name);  
23     }  
24     free(s);  
25 }
```

Sorting numbers

Task:

- Make the usage of our earlier program more comfortable!
- Instead of entering the quantity of numbers in advance, let a special value signal the end of input \rightarrow negative value

Problem:

How much memory should we allocate if we do not know the number of numbers?

Solution #1:

Allocate a small memory block initially and as soon as it is full double its size \rightarrow minimizes the number of memory re-allocations (=fast) at the cost of at most half of the allocated area remains unused

Remark:

Due to simplicity and brevity we assume that memory allocations are always successful

Sorting numbers

bubble7.c

```
45  int main(void) {
46      int used; // Number of currently used array elements
47      int* numbers; // Address of the array
48      printf("Enter non-negative numbers\n");
49      numbers = read(&used);
50      bubble(numbers, used);
51      printf("After sorting:\n");
52      printArray(numbers, used);
53      free(numbers);
54      return 0;
55 }
```

Sorting numbers

bubble7.c

```
4  int* read(int* used) {
5      int current, total = 1;
6      printf("\t[Initial memory allocation]\n");
7      int* numbers = (int*)malloc(total * sizeof(int));
8      *used = 0;
9      do {
10         printf("\t[Used: %d, Array size: %d]\n", *used, total);
11         printf("Number #%d: ", *used + 1);
12         scanf("%d", &current);
13         if(current >= 0) {
14             if(*used == total) {
15                 printf("\t[Memory re-allocation]\n");
16                 total *= 2;
17                 numbers = (int*)realloc(numbers, total*sizeof(int));
18             }
19             numbers[*used] = current;
20             (*used)++;
21         }
22     } while(current >= 0);
23     return numbers;
24 }
```

Sorting numbers

Output

```
Enter non-negative numbers
  [Initial memory allocation]
  [Used: 0, Array size: 1]
Number #1: 6
  [Used: 1, Array size: 1]
Number #2: 5
  [Memory re-allocation]
  [Used: 2, Array size: 2]
Number #3: 4
  [Memory re-allocation]
  [Used: 3, Array size: 4]
Number #4: 3
  [Used: 4, Array size: 4]
Number #5: 2
  [Memory re-allocation]
  [Used: 5, Array size: 8]
Number #6: 1
  [Used: 6, Array size: 8]
Number #7: 0
  [Used: 7, Array size: 8]
Number #8: -1
After sorting:
0      1      2      3      4      5      6
```

Drawing rectangles

Task:

- Modify the rectangle drawing program similarly, too
- Memory allocation strategy #2: if the allocated area is full, increase its size always with the same amount → minimizes the unused memory area at the cost of much re-allocations (=slow)
- The function allocating memory for the array returns the number of elements and writes the address of the array where its parameter points to

rectangle3.c

```
91 }  
92  
93 int main(void) {  
94     struct rectangle* ar; int used;  
95     printf("Please enter the data of rectangles!\n");  
96     used = readAll(&ar);  
97     draw(ar, used);  
98     free(ar);
```

Drawing rectangles

rectangle3.c

```
60 int readAll(struct rectangle** ar) {
61     int used=0, total = 2, tlx;
62     bool goon;
63     printf("\t[Initial memory allocation]\n");
64     *ar = (struct rectangle*)malloc(
65         total * sizeof(struct rectangle));
66     do {
67         printf("\t[Used: %d, Array size: %d]\n", used, total);
68         goon = readTLX(used+1, MINX, MAXX-1, &tlx);
69         if(goon) {
70             if(used == total) {
71                 printf("\t[Memory re-allocation]\n");
72                 total += 2;
73                 *ar = (struct rectangle*)realloc(
74                     *ar, total*sizeof(struct rectangle));
75             }

```

Drawing rectangles

rectangle3.c

```
76     (*ar)[used].tl.x = tlx;
77     (*ar)[used].tl.y = read(used+1,
78         "Y coordinate of the top left corner", MINY, MAXY-1);
79     (*ar)[used].br.x = read(used+1,
80         "X coordinate of the bottom right corner",
81         (*ar)[used].tl.x+1, MAXX);
82     (*ar)[used].br.y = read(used+1,
83         "Y coordinate of the bottom right corner",
84         (*ar)[used].tl.y+1, MAXY);
85     printf("Drawing character of rectangle #%d: ", used+1);
86     scanf(" %c", &(*ar)[used].c);
87     used++;
88 }
89 } while(goon);
90 return used;
91 }
```

Drawing rectangles

Output 1/2

```
Please enter the data of rectangles!
  [Initial memory allocation]
  [Used: 0, Array size: 2]
X coordinate of the top left corner of rectangle #1 [0, 78] (exits to a negative value) 3
Y coordinate of the top left corner rectangle #1 [0, 23] 3
X coordinate of the bottom right corner rectangle #1 [4, 79] 6
Y coordinate of the bottom right corner rectangle #1 [4, 24] 6
Drawing character of rectangle #1: +
  [Used: 1, Array size: 2]
X coordinate of the top left corner of rectangle #2 [0, 78] (exits to a negative value) 5
Y coordinate of the top left corner rectangle #2 [0, 23] 5
X coordinate of the bottom right corner rectangle #2 [6, 79] 8
Y coordinate of the bottom right corner rectangle #2 [6, 24] 8
Drawing character of rectangle #2: -
  [Used: 2, Array size: 2]
X coordinate of the top left corner of rectangle #3 [0, 78] (exits to a negative value) 7
  [Memory re-allocation]
Y coordinate of the top left corner rectangle #3 [0, 23] 7
X coordinate of the bottom right corner rectangle #3 [8, 79] 10
Y coordinate of the bottom right corner rectangle #3 [8, 24] 10
Drawing character of rectangle #3: *
  [Used: 3, Array size: 4]
X coordinate of the top left corner of rectangle #4 [0, 78] (exits to a negative value) -1
```

Output 2/2

```
++++
++++
++----
++----

--****
--****

****
****
```

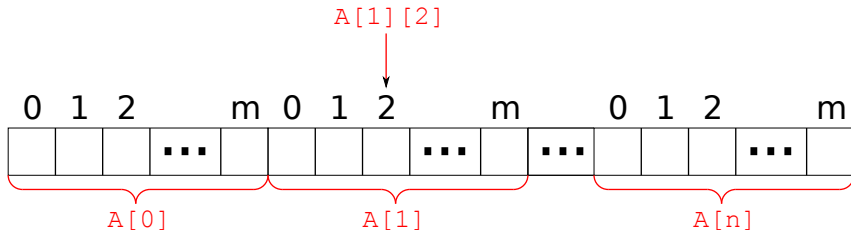
Matrices

Matrix: two dimensional array of data of the same type

Only one dimensional arrays exist in C, but these can be embedded into each other \rightarrow
matrix = vector of vectors

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 11 & 12 & 13 & 14 \\ 21 & 22 & 23 & 24 \\ 31 & 32 & 33 & 34 \end{bmatrix}$$

```
int A[3][4] = {  
    {11, 12, 13, 14},  
    {21, 22, 23, 24},  
    {31, 32, 33, 34} };
```



Adding up two matrices: $(A + B)[i,j] = A[i,j] + B[i,j]$, where A and B are $n \times m$ sized matrices.

mtxAdd1.c

```
4 #define ROWS 3
5 #define COLS 4
6
7 int main(void) {
8     // declaration, initialization
9     int ma[ROWS][COLS] = {
10         { 11, 12, 13, 14 },
11         { 21, 22, 23, 24 },
12         { 31, 32, 33, 34 }
13     };
14     int mb[ROWS][COLS], mc[ROWS][COLS];
15     srand(time(NULL));
16     for(int r=0; r<ROWS; r++) { // filling the mtx.
17         for(int c=0; c<COLS; c++) {
18             mb[r][c] = 10 + rand()%40;
19         }
20     }
```

mtxAdd1.c

```
21  for(int r=0; r<ROWS; r++) { // add up mtxs.
22      for(int c=0; c<COLS; c++) {
23          mc[r][c] = ma[r][c] + mb[r][c];
24      }
25  }
26  for(int r=0; r<ROWS; r++) { // printing
27      for(int c=0; c<COLS; c++) {
28          printf("%d ", ma[r][c]);
29      }
30      printf("%c ", r==ROWS/2? '+' : ' ');
31      for(int c=0; c<COLS; c++) {
32          printf("%d ", mb[r][c]);
33      }
34      printf("%c ", r==ROWS/2? '=' : ' ');
35      for(int c=0; c<COLS; c++) {
36          printf("%d ", mc[r][c]);
37      }
38      putchar('\n');
39  }
40  return 0; }
```

(A possible) output

```
11 12 13 14    33 49 36 12    44 61 49 26
21 22 23 24 + 20 45 24 18 = 41 67 47 42
31 32 33 34    19 10 11 42    50 42 44 76
```

How can a matrix be passed to a function?

OK ✓

```
void fn(int m[ROWS][COLS]) { //...
void fn(int m[][COLS]) { //...
void fn(int (*m)[COLS]) { //...
```

Error X – It is an array of pointers, not a matrix!

```
void fn(int *m[COLS]) { //...
```

mtxAdd2.c

```
44  int main (void) {
45      int ma[ROWS][COLS], mb[ROWS][COLS],
46          mc[ROWS][COLS];
47      srand (time (NULL));
48      generate (ma);
49      generate (mb);
50      add ((const int (*)[COLS])ma,
51          (const int (*)[COLS])mb, mc);
52      print ((const int (*)[COLS])ma,
53            (const int (*)[COLS])mb,
54            (const int (*)[COLS])mc);
55      return 0;
56  }
```

mtxAdd2.c

```
4 #define ROWS 3
5 #define COLS 4
6
7 void generate(int m[][COLS]) {
8     for(int r=0; r<ROWS; r++) {
9         for(int c=0; c<COLS; c++) {
10             m[r][c] = 10 + rand()%40;
11         }
12     }
13 }
14
15 void add(const int (*ma)[COLS],
16         const int (*mb)[COLS],
17         int (*mc)[COLS]) {
18     for(int r=0; r<ROWS; r++) {
19         for(int c=0; c<COLS; c++) {
20             mc[r][c] = *(ma[r] + c) + (*(mb+r) + c);
21         }
22     }
23 }
```

mtxAdd2.c

```
25 void print(const int ma[][COLS],  
26           const int mb[][COLS],  
27           const int mc[][COLS]) {  
28     for(int r=0; r<ROWS; r++) {  
29       for(int c=0; c<COLS; c++) {  
30         printf("%d ", ma[r][c]);  
31       }  
32       printf("%c ", r==ROWS/2? '+' : ' ');  
33       for(int c=0; c<COLS; c++) {  
34         printf("%d ", mb[r][c]);  
35       }  
36       printf("%c ", r==ROWS/2? '=' : ' ');  
37       for(int c=0; c<COLS; c++) {  
38         printf("%d ", mc[r][c]);  
39       }  
40       putchar('\n');  
41     }  
42 }
```

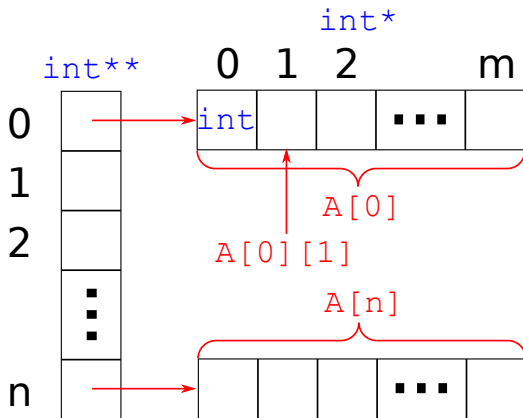
Matrices

Problem:

inflexible functions, the number of columns is fixed

Solution:

- create vectors dynamically (can be addressed by eg. `int*`), then
- store their addresses in another dynamic vector (`int**`, array of pointers)!



mtxAdd3.c

```
55 int main(void) {  
56     srand(time(NULL));  
57     int rows = 1 + rand()%4;  
58     int cols = 1 + rand()%4;  
59     int** a = allocate(rows, cols);  
60     int** b = allocate(rows, cols);  
61     int** c = allocate(rows, cols);  
62     generate(a, rows, cols);  
63     generate(b, rows, cols);  
64     add(a, b, c, rows, cols);  
65     print(a, b, c, rows, cols);  
66     freeMem(a, rows);  
67     freeMem(b, rows);  
68     freeMem(c, rows);  
69     return 0;  
70 }
```


mtxAdd3.c

```
5  int** allocate(int rows, int cols) {
6      int** m = (int**) malloc(rows * sizeof(int*));
7      for(int r=0; r<rows; r++) {
8          m[r] = (int*) malloc(cols * sizeof(int));
9      }
10     return m;
11 }
12
13 void generate(int** m, int rows, int cols) {
14     for(int r=0; r<rows; r++) {
15         for(int c=0; c<cols; c++) {
16             m[r][c] = 10 + rand()%40;
17         }
18     }
19 }
```

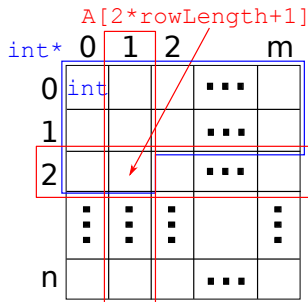
mtxAdd3.c

```
21 void add(int** ma, int** mb, int** mc,
22         int rows, int cols) {
23     for(int r=0; r<rows; r++) {
24         for(int c=0; c<cols; c++) {
25             mc[r][c] = *(ma[r] + c) + (*(mb+r) + c);
26         }
27     }
28 }

49 void freeMem(int** m, int rows) {
50     for(int r=0; r<rows; r++) {
51         free(m[r]);
52     }
53     free(m);
54 }
```

Alternative solution:

- we can mimic the structure of „static” arrays in memory, thus
- we allocate memory for a vector and map the elements of the matrix to this area



mtxAdd4.c

```
44 int main(void) {
45     srand(time(NULL));
46     int rows = 1 + rand()%4;
47     int cols = 1 + rand()%4;
48     int* ma = allocate(rows, cols);
49     int* mb = allocate(rows, cols);
50     int* mc = allocate(rows, cols);
51     generate(ma, rows, cols);
52     generate(mb, rows, cols);
53     add(ma, mb, mc, rows, cols);
54     print(ma, mb, mc, rows, cols);
55     free(ma);
56     free(mb);
57     free(mc);
58     return 0;
59 }
```

mtxAdd4.c

```
5  int* allocate(int rows, int cols) {
6      return (int*) malloc(rows * cols * sizeof(int));
7  }
8
9  void generate(int* m, int rows, int cols) {
10     for(int r=0; r<rows; r++) {
11         for(int c=0; c<cols; c++) {
12             m[r*cols + c] = 10 + rand()%40;
13         }
14     }
15 }
16
17 void add(int* ma, int* mb, int* mc,
18         int rows, int cols) {
19     for(int r=0; r<rows; r++) {
20         for(int c=0; c<cols; c++) {
21             mc[r*cols+c] = ma[r*cols+c] + mb[r*cols+c];
22         }
23     }
24 }
```