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CSC209H Worksheet: Function Calls and Pointers

- Trace the memory usage for the program below up to the point when `lie` returns. We have set up both stack frames for you.

```
#include <stdio.h>

void lie(int*age) {
    printf("You are %d years old\n", *age);
    age += 1;
    printf("You are %d years old\n", *age);
}

int main() {
    int age = 18;
    lie(&age);
    printf("But your age is still %d\n", age);
    return 0;
}
```

Handwritten notes:

- equiv* (with arrow) pointing to `*age` in the function signature.
- equiv* (with arrow) pointing to `(*age)++` in the main function.
- 18* (with arrow) pointing to the initial value of `age` in `main`.
- 19* (with arrow) pointing to the incremented value of `age` in `main`.
- 19* (with arrow) pointing to the value of `age` in the `main` stack frame.

*note that `*age++` is the same as `*(age++)`, which dereferences `age` first then increments the `age` pointer. (try it!)*

up here.

Section	Address	Value	Label
stack frame for lie	0x23c		
	0x240		
	0x244		
	0x248		
	0x24c	0x264	age
stack frame for main	0x250		
	0x254		
	0x258		
	0x25c		
	0x260		
	0x264	18	age
		19	

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	0x23c		
	0x240		
	0x244		
	0x248		
	0x24c		
	0x250		
	0x254		
	0x258		
	0x25c		
	0x260		
	0x264		

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3. In the space below, write a small program that allocates an array of integers in the main function and passes that array to a function called **change**. (You'll also need to pass in the length of the array – **why?**) The function should do two things:

- Add 10 to each element of the array.
- Return the average of the new contents of the array.

Check your understanding carefully by tracing the execution of the function on the given memory model diagram.

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	0x23c		
	0x240		
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	0x250		
	0x254		
	0x258		
	0x25c		
	0x260		
	0x264		
	0x268		
	0x26c		