

Week 13. Final exam review

1. True or false?

A. I claim that linked lists have the following advantages over the arrays:

- They allow insertion in the middle in a constant time
- They allow access to the element at position k in a constant time
- They use less memory
- The search is faster because we are following the pointers

B. I claim that for the following variables:

```
char *a; int *b;
```

- a and b store values of different types
- $\text{sizeof}(a) \neq \text{sizeof}(b)$
- $\text{sizeof}(*a) \neq \text{sizeof}(*b)$

C. I claim that for the following declarations:

```
char a [] = "abcde"; char *b="abcde";
```

- $\text{sizeof}(a)=\text{sizeof}(b)$
- a and b both are variables that store an address
- we can do both $a=b$ and $b=a$
- the amount of memory used is the same for both declarations
- we can do both $a[1] = 'd'$; and $b[1]='d'$;
- we can pass both a and b as parameters to a function $\text{func}(\text{char } *c)$

2. What is legal?

```
int x, y;  
int *px, *py, *p;  
float *pf;
```

```
px = &x;  
py = &y;  
p = px + py;  
p = px * py;  
p = px + 10.0;  
pf = px;
```

3. Linked lists

Given new data type *node*:

```
typedef struct node{  
    int data;  
    struct node * next;  
}node;
```

- How do we declare a list of nodes?

- How do we insert a new node *new_node* after the k-th element (suppose k=2) of the list?
- How do we make a circular list of nodes?
- How can we reverse the order of elements in the list in one iteration?

- How can we add new element on top of the list in a void function?

```
node *get234List () {
    node * head;
    node * a = (node *)calloc (1, sizeof(node));
    a->data = 2;
    node * b = (node *)calloc (1, sizeof(node));
    b->data = 3;
    node *c = (node *)calloc (1, sizeof(node));
    c->data = 4;
    a->next = b;
    b->next = c;

    head = a;
    return head;
}
```

```
void addOnTop (node * head, int value) {
    node * d = (node *)malloc (sizeof(node))
    d->data = value;
    if (head == NULL)
        head = d;
    else {
        d->next = head->next;
        head = d;
    }
}
```

```
int main() {
    node * head = get234List();
    addOnTop (head, 1);
    //what is the length of the list now?
}
```

4. Memory segments

Draw memory diagram and say where each variable is stored and to which memory segment it points to (in case it is a pointer):

A. Fun

```
int fun (char a, char b) {
    a++;
    b++;
    return b;
}
char a='a'; //value 97
char b='b';
int (*func) (char, char);

int main () {
    func = fun;
    char c = (char) func (a, b);
    printf ("%c %c %c\n", a, b, c);
    //what is printed by the way?
}
```

B. Even more fun

```
int * more_fun (char *a) {
    a = malloc (5);
    *a = 'a';
    *(a+1) = 'b';
    *(a+2) = 0;
    int result[] = {1,2};
    return result;
}

int main () {
    char *str;
    int *ip = more_fun (str);
    printf ("%d %s\n", *ip, str);
}
```

5. Pass by value (even pointer variables)

```
void init_array1 (char * a, int size) {
    a = (char *) malloc (size);
    strncpy(a, "new value", size-1);
    a[size-1] = '\0';
}

int main() {
    char * y = "abba";
    init_array1 (y, 8);
    fprintf (stdout, "Array after init1 - %s\n", y);
}
```

6. File descriptors

A. If you want a parent process to read from a pipe and a child process to write to a pipe, which file descriptors do you leave open?

Parent: `fds[0]` or `fds[1]`

Child: `fds[0]` or `fds[1]`

B. You want to implement the following shell pipe in a C program

```
sort file1 | head
```

- Which process should be the parent and which one the child?
- How would you use `dup2` to set standard output of a child process to the writing end of a pipe, and standard input of a parent process to the reading end of the pipe?

Parent file descriptors: 0, 1, 2, `fds[0]`, `fds[1]`

```
dup2(_____, _____)
```

Child file descriptors: 0, 1, 2, `fds[0]`, `fds[1]`

```
dup2(_____, _____)
```

C. Sockets

Server code:

```
int a= socket(family, type, protocol);  
int b= accept(a, &clientAddr, &addrLen);
```

Client code:

```
int c= socket(family, type, protocol);  
int d=connect(c, &foreignAddr, addrlen);
```

Which of the file descriptors a,b,c (or d) are used for sending data between server and client?

7. Handling signals

- How can we make our program to ignore an interrupt signal?
- How can we make sure that our signal handler is not interrupted in the middle by an interrupt signal?
- How can we make sure that the important section of code gets uninterrupted by any signal?