

Agenda

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- The main body and cout
- Fundamental data types
- Declarations and definitions
- Control structures
- References, pass-by-value vs pass-by-references

Memory regions

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EACH C++ VARIABLE IS STORED IN A MEMORY REGION

**THE SIZE OF THE REGION DEPENDS ON THE VARIABLE'S
TYPE**

Sizes of various types

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```
cout << "sizeof(char)          = " << sizeof(char) << endl;
cout << "sizeof(char&)        = " << sizeof(char&) << endl;
cout << "sizeof(int)           = " << sizeof(int) << endl;
cout << "sizeof(int&)          = " << sizeof(int&) << endl;
cout << "sizeof(long int)       = " << sizeof(long int) << endl;
cout << "sizeof(bool)           = " << sizeof(bool) << endl;
cout << "sizeof(float)          = " << sizeof(float) << endl;
cout << "sizeof(double)         = " << sizeof(double) << endl;
cout << "sizeof(string)         = " << sizeof(string) << endl;
```

Where in memory? Use “address of” op

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```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;

int main() {
    int a = 12345;
    cout << "Address of a is at: " << &a << endl; // something like 0x7fff6425d7c4
    return 0;
}
```

32-bit architecture: an address is 4 bytes long

64-bit architecture: an address is 8 bytes long

Pointers

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- **A POINTER IS A VARIABLE THAT HOLDS A MEMORY ADDRESS**
 - **WE OFTEN WANT A POINTER TO A PARTICULAR TYPE**
- **POINTERS ARE EXTREMELY POWERFUL (JAVA HIDES IT FROM US!)**

Declaring pointers

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```
int *i_ptr;    // i_ptr is a pointer to an integer
char *c_ptr;  // c_ptr is a pointer to a character
string *s_ptr; // s_ptr is a pointer to a string
```

```
cout << "sizeof(i_ptr)    = " << sizeof(char*) << endl;
cout << "sizeof(char*)    = " << sizeof(char*) << endl;
cout << "sizeof(int*)     = " << sizeof(int*) << endl;
cout << "sizeof(string*)  = " << sizeof(string*) << endl;
```

Assigning and dereferencing

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```
int x = 10;  
int *i_ptr;  
i_ptr = &x; // i_ptr -> the 1st byte of the 4 bytes long x.  
cout << "x = " << x << endl; // this prints x = 10  
cout << "x = " << *i_ptr << endl; // this also prints x = 10
```

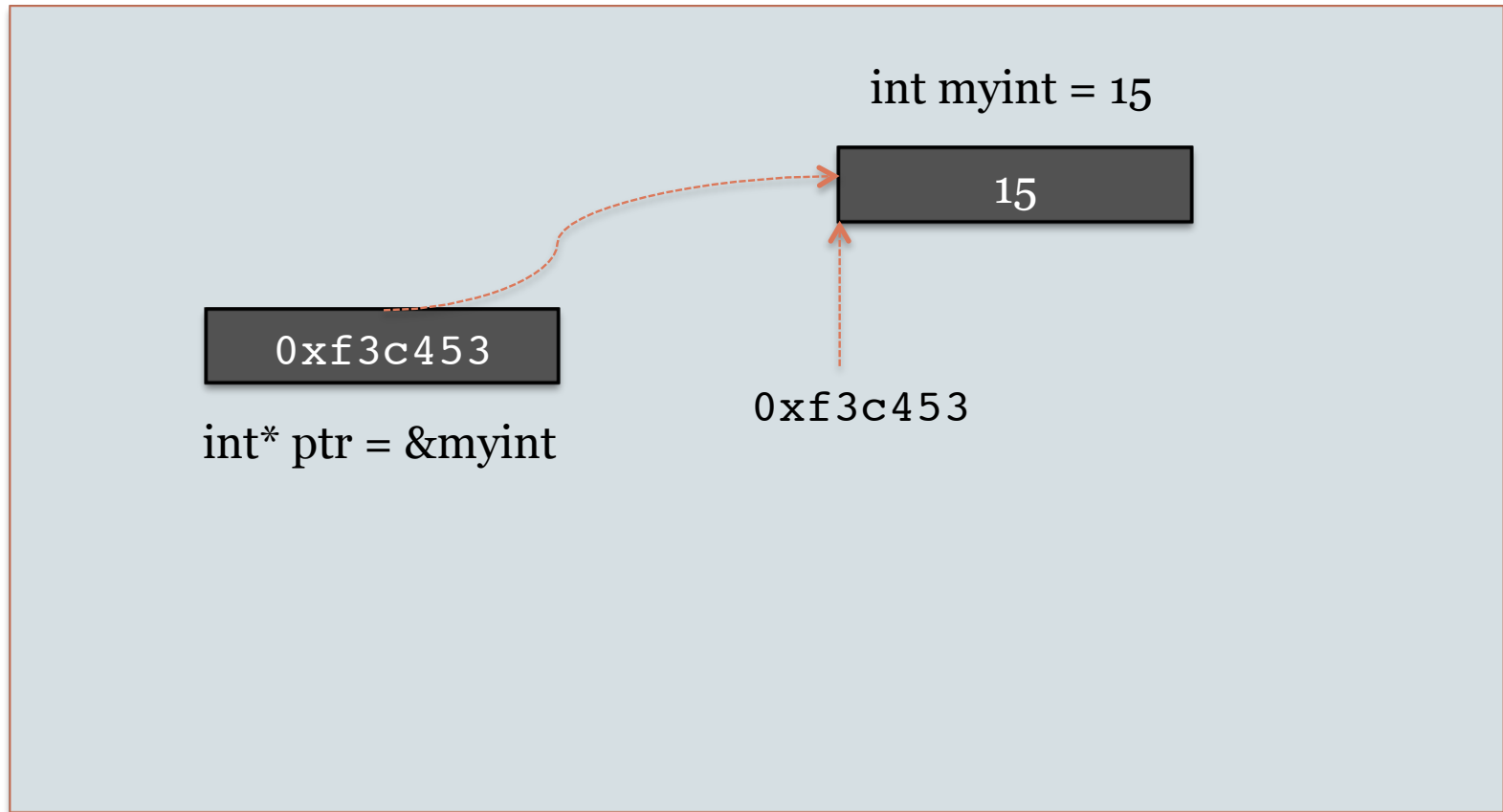
```
*i_ptr = 20;  
cout << "x = " << x << endl; // this prints x = 20  
cout << "x = " << *i_ptr << endl; // this also prints x = 20
```

```
int y = 30;  
i_ptr = &y;  
cout << "y = " << *i_ptr << endl; // this prints y = 30  
*i_ptr = 40  
cout << "y = " << y << endl; // this prints y = 40
```

Visualize

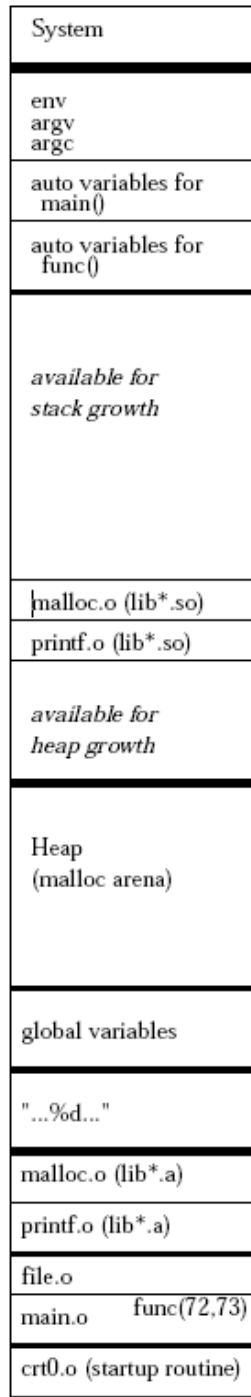
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0x000000

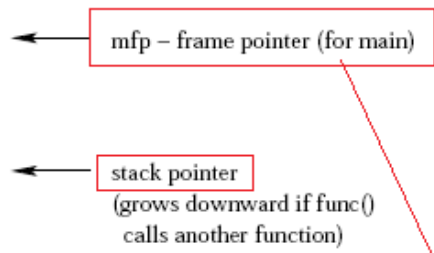


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STACK



High memory

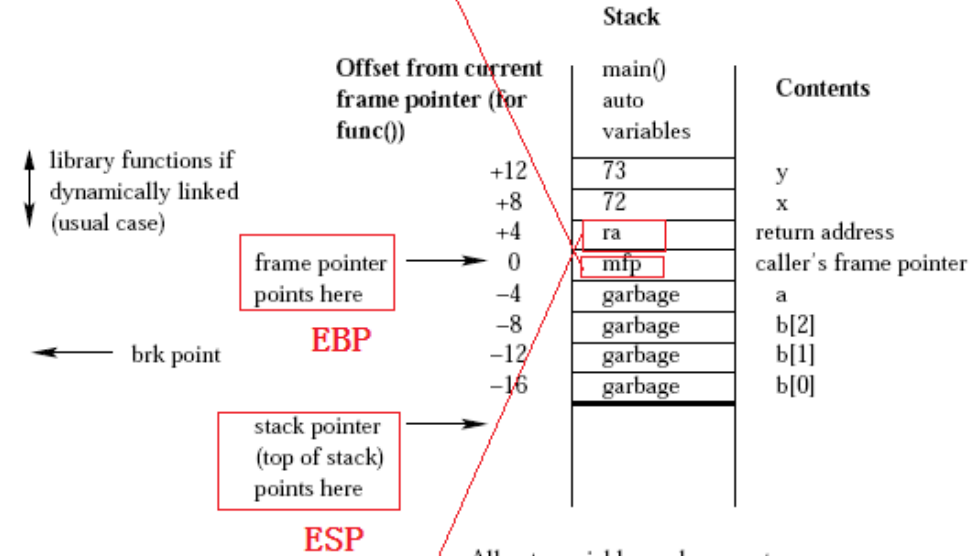


Stack illustrated after the call `func(72,73)` called from `main()`, assuming `func` defined by:

```
func(int x, int y) {
    int a;
    int b[3];
    /* no other auto variables */
}
```

Assumes `int = long = char *` of size 4 and assumes stack at high address and descending down.

Expanded view of the stack

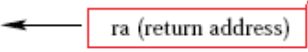


All auto variables and parameters are referenced via offsets from the frame pointer.

The frame pointer and stack pointer are in registers (for fast access).

When `func` returns, the return value is stored in a register. The stack pointer is moved to the `y` location, the code is jumped to the return address (`ra`), and the frame pointer is set to `mfp` (the stored value of the caller's frame pointer). The caller moves the return value to the right place.

Low memory



Pointers and references

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```
// pt.cpp: testing pointers
#include <iostream>

using namespace std;

void swap (int *a, int *b) { int temp=*a; *a=*b; *b=temp; }

int main () {
    int x = 1, y=9;
    swap (&x, &y) ;
    cout << "x = " << x << endl; // x = 9
    cout << "y = " << y << endl; // y = 1
    return 0;
}
```

Note that the pointers a,b are passed by value

Pointers to objects and the -> operator

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```
void print_reversed_sentence (const string* s_ptr) {
    int start;
    int end = s_ptr->length () - 1; // or end = (*s_ptr).length () - 1
    for (start = s_ptr->length () - 1; start >= 0; start--) {
        if ( ( (*s_ptr) [start] == ' ') && (start < end) ) {
            cout << s_ptr->substr (start+1,end-start) << ' ';
            end = start-1;
        }
    }

    if (start < end)
        cout << s_ptr->substr (start+1,end-start+1) << endl;
}
```

`(*obj_ptr).member` is the same as `obj->member`

Pointer to pointer, ad infinitum

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```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;

void swap (string **a, string **b)
{ string* temp = *a; *a = *b; *b = temp; }

int main () {
    string first ("David"); string last ("Blaine");
    string* p1 = &first; string* p2 = &last;

    swap (&p1, &p2);

    cout << "p1 points to " << *p1 << endl; // "Blaine"
    cout << "p2 points to " << *p2 << endl; // "David"
    return 0;
}
```

Arrays

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ARRAY SIZE MUST BE A CONSTANT EXPRESSION

SOME EXTENSION ALLOWS “DYNAMIC” SIZE, NOT RECOMMENDED

ARRAY NAME CAN BE USED AS A POINTER TO THE FIRST ELEMENT OF THE ARRAY

Definition and initialization

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```
int main () {
    const size_t s = 5;
    int A[s];
    int B[5] = {1, 2, 3, 4, 5};
    int C[] = {1, 2, 3, 4, 5}; // the same as saying int C[5] ...

    for (size_t i=0; i<s; i++) {
        A[i] = i*i;
        B[i] += A[i];
        C[i] += B[i];
    }

    for (size_t i=0; i<s; i++)
        cout << C[i] << ' ';

    cout << endl;
    return 0;
}
```

Extension – not recommended

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```
int s = 5;  
int A[s]; // should not be allowed, but OK with g++ 4.x
```

```
g++ -pedantic -ansi test_array.cpp  
  
...  
error: ISO C++ forbids variable-size array 'A'
```

C-style strings

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```
char name[] = "David"; // name has 6 elements, the last is implicitly '\0'  
cout << sizeof(name) << endl; // prints 6
```

```
int i=0;  
while (name[i] != '\0')  
    cout << name[i++];  
cout << endl;  
cout << name << endl;
```

```
char name[5] = "David"; // compilation error
```


Initializing C-style string (char array)

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```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;

int main () {
    char name[] = "David";
    char another[] = { 'D', 'a', 'v', 'i', 'd', '\\0' };

    cout << name << endl;
    cout << another << endl;

    return 0;
}
```

String literals

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The expression "David" is called a string literal

```
char name[] = "This is a very long "  
              "name and thus won't fit "  
              "on a line";  
cout << name; // get "This is a very long name and thus won't fit in a line"
```

Character arrays with '\0' in the middle

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Perfectly fine to have them; just be careful!

```
char sa[] = "Only up to here\0The rest can still be printed";

cout << sa << endl;

for (i=0; i< sizeof(sa) ; i++) {
    if (sa[i] != '\0') cout << sa[i] ;
    else cout << "[NULL CHAR] ";
}
cout << endl;

string str_obj = sa;
cout << str_obj;    // prints "Only up to here"
```

Why do we care about C-style strings?

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- They are very efficient
- Necessary in system programming
- Some C++ functions take C-style string arguments

Command line arguments

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```
int main ()  
int main (void)  
int main (int argc, char **argv)  
int main (int argc, char *argv[] )
```

Multidimensional Arrays

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```
const int m=2; const int n=3;  
int A[m][n] = { {1, 2, 3}, {4, 5, 6} };
```

```
// initialization must have bounds for all dimension, except the first  
int B[][n] = { {10, 20, 30}, {40, 50, 60} };  
int C[m][n];  
int i, j;
```

```
for (i=0; i<m; i++)  
    for (j=0; j<n; j++)  
        C[i][j] = A[i][j] + B[i][j];
```

```
for (i=0; i<m; i++) {  
    for (j=0; j<n; j++) {  
        cout << setw(2) << C[i][j] << ' ';  
    }  
    cout << endl;  
}
```

Arrays and Pointers

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- **ARRAY NAME CAN BE USED AS POINTER**
 - **WE CAN NAVIGATE ARRAYS USING POINTER ARITHMETIC**
 - **POINTERS AND ARRAYS CAN BE USED INTERCHANGABLY IN ARGUMENT PASSING**
- **AN ARRAY NAME CAN BE THOUGHT OF AS A CONSTANT POINTER**

Array name as constant pointer

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```
int a[5] = {1,2,3,4,5};  
int* i_ptr = &a[0]; // i_ptr points to a[0]  
i_ptr = a; // i_ptr points to a[0], equivalent to the above line  
*i_ptr = 10; // now a[0] == 10
```

```
int a[5];  
int* i_ptr;  
i_ptr = a; // perfectly fine!  
a = i_ptr; // compilation error!
```


Traversing array using pointer arithmetic

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```
int A[5] = {1, 2, 3, 4, 5};  
int i;  
int* int_ptr;
```

```
// we can traverse A like this  
for (i=0; i<5; i++)  
    cout << A[i] << ' ';
```

```
// or like this  
for (int_ptr=A; int_ptr != A+5; int_ptr++)  
    cout << *int_ptr << ' ';
```

Pointer arithmetic

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```
int a = 123;  
int* int_ptr = &a;  
cout << "+0:" << int_ptr << endl; // +0:0x7fff6a9387c4  
cout << "+1:" << int_ptr+1 << endl; // +1:0x7fff6a9387c8  
cout << "+2:" << int_ptr+2 << endl; // +2:0x7fff6a9387cc
```

Pointer & array used interchangeably in argument passing

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```
void ps1(char* s) { while (*s != '\0') { cout << *s; s++; } }
```

```
void ps2(char s[]) { while (*s != '\0') { cout << *s; s++; } }
```

```
int main() {  
    char* s1 = new char[7]; // create dynamically an array  
    of 7 chars  
    char s2[] = "abcde\n";  
    int i=0;  
    while (s2[i] != '\0') { s1[i] = s2[i]; i++; }  
  
    ps1(s1); ps1(s2); // valid  
    ps2(s1); ps2(s2); // also valid  
  
    delete [] s1;  
}
```