

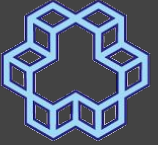


Fundamentals of Programming

session 32

Dynamic memory allocation

```
*****  
* convolve.c  
***** /  
  
/* Standard includes */  
#include <assert.h>  
#include <math.h>  
#include <stdlib.h> /* malloc(), realloc() */  
  
/* Our includes */  
#include "base.h"  
#include "error.h"  
#include "convolve.h"  
#include "klt_util.h" /* printing */  
  
#define MAX_KERNEL_WIDTH 71  
  
typedef struct {  
    int i, j;  
    float data[MAX_KERNEL_WIDTH];  
} ConvolutionKernel;  
  
/* Kernels */
```



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Dynamic Memory Allocation with Stack

```
void printArray(int a[], int n);

int main() {
    int n;

    scanf("%d", &n);

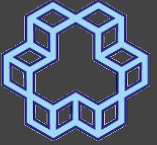
    int array[n];

    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
        array[i] = i;

    printArray(array,n);

    return 0;
}

void printArray(int a[], int n) {
```



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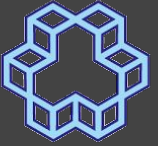
    return 0;
}

void printArray(int a[], int n) {
```

```
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```

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```

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```



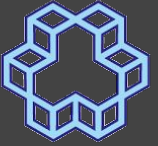
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Write as a function

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    int *array;  
  
    scanf("%d", &n);  
  
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    printArray(array,n);  
  
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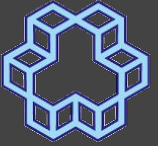
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    return 0;
}
```

```
int *create_range(int n) {
    int a[n];

    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
        a[i] = i;

    return &a[0]; // or return a
}
```



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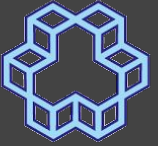
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```

stack frame gets freed after returning from a function.



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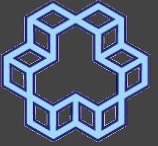
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malloc: allocating memory from heap

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    int *array;  
  
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    printArray(array,n);  
  
    return 0;  
}
```

```
int *create_range(int n) {  
    int *a;  
  
    a = malloc(sizeof(int) * n);  
  
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)  
        a[i] = i;  
  
    return a;  
}
```

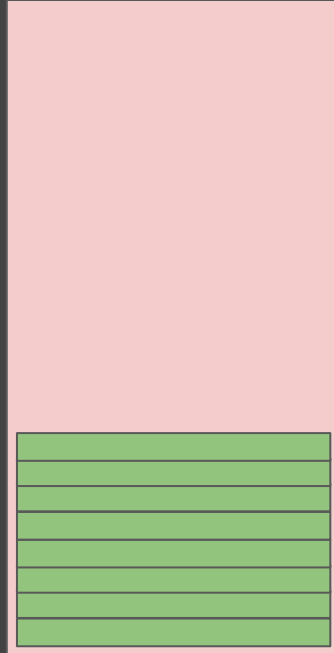

Stack vs. Heap



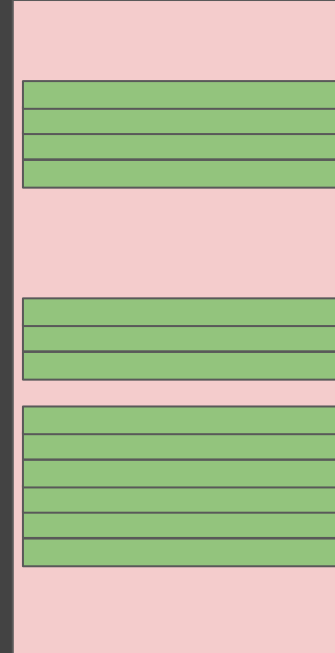
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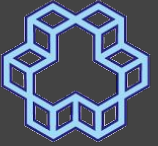
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Stack



Heap





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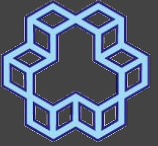
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    return a;  
}
```

```
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0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15,
```



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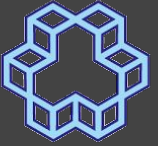
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    return 0;  
}
```

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    int *a;  
  
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        a[i] = i;  
  
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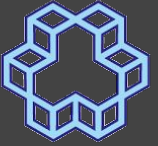
Always free the allocated space from heap

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    printArray(array,n);  
  
    free(array);  
  
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pointer to void



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MALLOC(3)

Linux Programmer's Manual

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malloc, free, calloc, realloc - allocate and free dynamic memory

SYNOPSIS

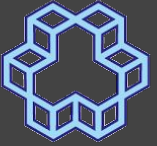
```
#include <stdlib.h>
```

```
void *malloc(size_t size);
```

```
void free(void *ptr);
```

```
void *calloc(size_t nmemb, size_t size);
```

```
void *realloc(void *ptr, size_t size);
```



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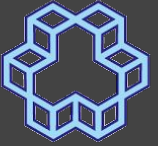
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Remember: struct Employee

```
struct Date {
    int year;
    int month;
    int day;
};

struct Employee {
    char firstName[20];
    char lastName[20];
    struct Date DoB; // date of birth
    char gender;
    struct Employee *supervisor;
};
```

```
struct Employee amin_s, behnam_s, parham_s, mahdi_s;
amin_s = createEmployee("Amin", "Parchami", 1378,6,7, 'M');
behnam_s = createEmployee("Behnam", "Beigi", 1340, 12, 25, 'M');
parham_s = createEmployee("Parham", "Parviz", 1390, 12, 30, 'M');
mahdi_s = createEmployee("Mahdi", "Forozan", 1380, 10, 5, 'M');

struct Employee *amin, *behnam, *parham, *mahdi;
amin = &amin_s;
behnam = &behnam_s;
mahdi = &mahdi_s;
parham = &parham_s;

amin->supervisor = NULL;
behnam->supervisor = amin;
mahdi->supervisor = amin;
parham->supervisor = behnam;
```

Remember: struct Employee



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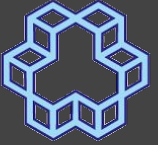
struct Employee {
    char firstName[20];
    char lastName[20];
    struct Date DoB; // date of birth
    char gender;
    struct Employee *supervisor;
};
```

```
struct Employee createEmployee(char fName[], char lName[],
                               int birth_year, int birth_month,
                               int birth_day, char gender) {

    struct Employee s;

    strncpy(s.firstName, fName, 20);
    strncpy(s.lastName, lName, 20);
    s.DoB.year = birth_year;
    s.DoB.month = birth_month;
    s.DoB.day = birth_day;
    s.gender = gender;

    return s;
}
```

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Rewrite using dynamic memory allocation

```
struct Employee createEmployee(char fName[], char lName[],
                               int birth_year, int birth_month,
                               int birth_day, char gender) {

    struct Employee s;

    strncpy(s.firstName, fName, 20);
    strncpy(s.lastName, lName, 20);
    s.DoB.year = birth_year;
    s.DoB.month = birth_month;
    s.DoB.day = birth_day;
    s.gender = gender;

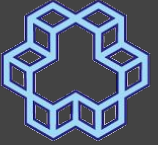
    return s;
}

struct Employee *createEmployee(char fName[], char lName[],
                                int birth_year, int birth_month,
                                int birth_day, char gender) {

    struct Employee *s = malloc(sizeof(struct Employee));

    strncpy(s->firstName, fName, 20);
    strncpy(s->lastName, lName, 20);
    s->DoB.year = birth_year;
    s->DoB.month = birth_month;
    s->DoB.day = birth_day;
    s->gender = gender;

    return s;
}
```

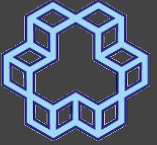


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    strncpy(s.firstName, fName, 20);  
    strncpy(s.lastName, lName, 20);  
    s.DoB.year = birth_year;  
    s.DoB.month = birth_month;  
    s.DoB.day = birth_day;  
    s.gender = gender;  
  
    return s;  
}  
  
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                                int birth_day, char gender) {  
  
    struct Employee *s = malloc(sizeof(struct Employee));  
  
    strncpy(s->firstName, fName, 20);  
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    s->gender = gender;  
  
    return s;  
}
```



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Remember: struct Employee

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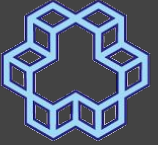
```
struct Employee *amin, *behnam,  
amin = &amin_s;  
behnam = &behnam_s;  
mahdi = &mahdi_s;  
parham = &parham_s;
```

```
amin->supervisor = NULL;  
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```
amin->supervisor = NULL;  
behnam->supervisor = amin;  
mahdi->supervisor = amin;  
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```

```
// finally free all dynamically allocated spaces  
free(amin);  
free(behnam);  
free(mahdi);  
free(parham);
```



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Remember: struct Employee

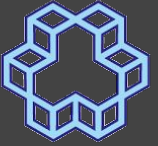
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amin->supervisor = NULL;
behnam->supervisor = amin;
mahdi->supervisor = amin;
parham->supervisor = behnam;

printEmployee(amin);
printEmployee(behnam->supervisor);
printEmployee(parham->supervisor);
printEmployee(parham->supervisor->supervisor);

free(amin);
free(behnam);
free(mahdi);
free(parham);
```

Practice: Linked List

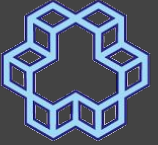


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```
struct node {  
    int value;  
    struct node *next;  
};
```

Practice: Linked List



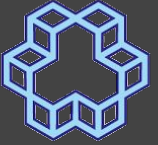
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```
struct node {  
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};
```

```
int main() {  
    int array[] = {10,20,30,40,50,60, 70};  
    int n = sizeof(array)/sizeof(int);  
  
    struct node *p;  
  
    p = create_linked_list(array, n);  
  
    print_linked_list(p);  
  
    delete_linked_list(p);  
}
```

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```
struct node {  
    int value;  
    struct node *next;  
};
```

```
struct node *create_linked_list(int a[], int n) {  
  
    struct node *next = NULL;  
    for (int i = n-1; i >= 0; i--) {  
        struct node *q = malloc(sizeof(struct node));  
        q->value = a[i];  
        q->next = next;  
        next = q;  
    }  
  
    return next;  
}
```

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```
struct node {  
    int value;  
    struct node *next;  
};
```

```
void print_linked_list(struct node *p) {  
  
    while (p != NULL) {  
        printf("%d, ", p->value);  
        p = p->next;  
    }  
  
    putchar('\n');  
  
}
```


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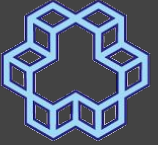


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```
struct node {  
    int value;  
    struct node *next;  
};
```

```
void delete_linked_list(struct node *p) {  
  
    while (p != NULL) {  
        struct node *q;  
        q = p;  
        p = p->next;  
        free(q);  
  
    }  
}
```



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Practice: Linked List

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    struct node *p;  
  
    p = create_linked_list(array, n);  
  
    print_linked_list(p);  
  
    delete_linked_list(p);  
}
```

```
nasihatkon@kntu:code$ gcc linked_list.c && ./a.out  
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