

Solution to Exercises in L#26

Solution to Example on Slide 5

- What is the output of the following program?

```
#include "stdio.h"
void main(void)
{
    int x=3;
    int *p= &x;
    printf("%d\n",x);
    printf("%d\n",*p);
    printf("%d\n", p);
}
```

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Solution to Exercise on Slide 8

```
#include "stdio.h"
void main(void)
{
    int x=3;
    int *p=&x;
    ++x;
    *p=*p+1;
    (*p)++;
    printf("x is: %d\n",x);
}
```

x is 6

Solution to Exercise on Slide 10

```
#include "stdio.h"
void main(void)
{
    int x = 10;
    int y = 10;
    int *px = &x;
    int *py = &y;
    if(*px == *py)
        printf("The numbers are equal\n");
}
```

Solution to Exercise on Slide 11

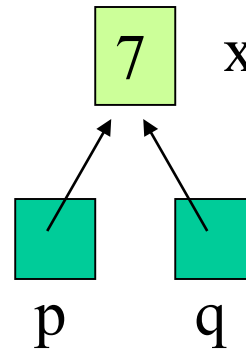
```
#include "stdafx.h"
void main(void)
{
    int x = 7;
    int *p= &x;
    int *q = &x;
    printf("*p is %d\n",*p);
    printf("*q is %d\n",*q);
    printf("p is %d\n", p);
    printf("q is %d\n", q);
}
```

*p is 7

*q is 7

p is 14678392

q is 14678392



Solution to Example on Slide 15

```
#include "stdafx.h"
```

```
void main(void)
```

```
{
```

```
    int x = 10;
```

```
    int *p;      /*p is a pointer to an integer*/
```

```
    p = &x;
```

```
    int **q;     /*q is a pointer to an integer pointer*/
```

```
    q = &p;
```

```
    printf("%d\n", x);
```

```
    printf("%d\n", *p);
```

```
    printf("%d\n", **q);
```

```
}
```

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To refer to x using q, you have to dereference it twice to get to the integer x because there are two levels of indirection / pointers involved!

Solution to Example on Slide 22

Are there any errors/dangers in this program?

```
#include "stdio.h"
int *max(int *pa, int *pb);
void main(void)
{
    int a;
    int b;

    int *pmax=NULL;
    printf("Enter first number:\n");
    scanf("%d",&a);

    printf("Enter second number:\n");
    scanf("%d",&b);

    pmax=max(&a, &b);
    printf("The maximum is %d\n",
        *pmax);
}
```

```
int* max(int *pa, int *pb)
{
    int larger;

    if (*pa > *pb)
        larger=*pa;
    else
        larger=*pb;
    printf("The larger one is %d\n", larger);
    return &larger;
}
```

YES! It returns a pointer to a local variable *larger* in the called function; when the function `max()` terminates, its memory can be used by other parts of the program!

Review Questions I (Slide 24: Solution)

1. Which of the following statement defines and initializes a pointer to the address of an integer variable x?

Answer: d)

- a) `int *ptr=*x;`
- b) `int &ptr = *x;`
- c) `int *ptr=^x;`
- d) `int *ptr = &x;`
- e) `int &ptr=^x;`

2. Assume `p` is a pointer that points to the variable `a`, which of the following statements will NOT add 1 to the variable `a`?

Answer: d), f)

- a) `a++`
- b) `a+=1;`
- c) `a=a+1;`
- d) `p=p+1;`
- e) `*p=*p+1;`
- f) `*p++;`

Note for 2 f): postfix increment `++` has a higher priority than indirection operator `*`; `()` are needed to force the dereference to occur before the addition so that we add to the data variable, not to the pointer! That is `(*p)++`

Review Questions II (Slide 25: Solution)

3. Given the following declarations:

```
int a=5;  
int b=7;  
int *p=&a;  
int *q=&b;  
int *r=&a;
```

what is the value of each of the following expressions?

- a) $++a$; $\rightarrow 6$
- b) $++(*p)$; $\rightarrow 6$
- c) $--(*q)$; $\rightarrow 6$
- d) $--b$; $\rightarrow 6$
- e) $a++$; $\rightarrow 5$
- f) $b--$; $\rightarrow 7$
- g) $(*r)++$; $\rightarrow 5$
- h) $(*q)--$; $\rightarrow 7$