

//Memory management - Dynamic memory allocation

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//malloc() --- ptr = (cast-type*) malloc(byte-size)
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//“malloc” or “memory allocation” method in C is used to dynamically allocate a single large block of memory with the specified size.

//It returns a pointer of type void which can be cast into a pointer of any form.

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//calloc() --- ptr = (cast-type*)calloc(n, element-size);
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//“calloc” or “contiguous allocation” method in C is used to dynamically allocate the specified number of blocks of memory of the specified type.

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//free() --- free(ptr);
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// “free” method in C is used to dynamically de-allocate the memory.

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//realloc() --- ptr = realloc(ptr, newSize); where ptr is reallocated with new size 'newSize'.
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// “realloc” or “re-allocation” method in C is used to dynamically change the memory allocation of a previously allocated memory.

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#include <stdio.h>
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#include <stdlib.h>
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int main()
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    int* ptr;
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    int n, i;
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    printf("Enter number of elements:");
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    scanf("%d",&n);
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    printf("Entered number of elements: %d\n", n);
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    //                               // Dynamically allocate memory using malloc()
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    ptr = (int*)malloc(n * sizeof(int));
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    if (ptr == NULL) {
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        printf("Memory not allocated.\n");
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        exit(0);
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    }
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    else {
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        // Memory has been successfully allocated
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        printf("Memory successfully allocated using MALLOC.\n");
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        printf("The elements of the array are before initialization: ");
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        for (i = 0; i < n; ++i) {
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            printf("%d, ", ptr[i]);
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        }
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        for (i = 0; i < n; ++i) {
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            ptr[i] = i + 1;
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    }
    printf("The elements of the array after initialiation are: ");
    for (i = 0; i < n; ++i) {
        printf("%d, ", ptr[i]);
    }
}
free(ptr); // de-allocate memory

printf("\n\nThe elements of the array after relasing ptr to allocated memory are: ");
for (i = 0; i < n; i++) { printf("%d, ", ptr[i]);}
printf("\n\n");

ptr = (int*)calloc(n, sizeof(int)); // Dynamically allocate memory using calloc()

if (ptr == NULL) {
    printf("Memory not allocated.\n");
    exit(0);
}
else {
    // Memory has been successfully allocated
    printf("Memory successfully allocated using CALLOC.\n");
    printf("The default elements of the array are: ");
    for (i = 0; i < n; ++i) {printf("%d, ", ptr[i]); }

    for (i = 0; i < n; ++i) { ptr[i] = i + 10; }

    printf("The elements of the array after update are: ");
    for (i = 0; i < n; ++i) {printf("%d, ", ptr[i]); }

    free(ptr); //de-allocate memory

    printf("\n\nThe elements of the array after releasing ptr to allocated memory are: ");
    for(i = 0; i < n; i++) { printf("%d, ", ptr[i]);}

    printf("\n\n");
}
// re-allocation

printf("\nEnter number of elements:");
scanf("%d",&n);
printf("Entered number of elements: %d\n", n); // Dynamically allocate memory using malloc()

ptr = (int*)malloc(n * sizeof(int));
if (ptr == NULL) { printf("Memory not allocated.\n"); exit(0); }

for (i = 0; i < n; ++i) { ptr[i] = i + 10; }
printf("\nThe elements of the array before re-allocation are: ");

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        for (i = 0; i < n; ++i) {printf("%d, ", ptr[i]); }

    printf("\n\nEnter the new size of the array:\n"); // Dynamically re-allocate memory using
realloc()
    scanf("%d",&n);
    ptr = (int*)realloc(ptr, n * sizeof(int));
    if (ptr == NULL) { printf("Reallocation Failed\n"); exit(0); }

    for (i = 0; i < n; ++i) { ptr[i] = ptr[i] + 10; }
    printf("\nThe elements of the array after re-allocation are: ");
        for (i = 0; i < n; ++i) {printf("%d, ", ptr[i]); }
}
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