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# Lecture 9 2D Arrays

and examples



2D arrays Declaration

Syntax: type name[size 1][size 2]

- type almost any type, pointer, etc.
- name an identifier
- size1 and size 2 MUST be known at compilation time

```
e.g.:
//2x3 ints array of-> 6 ints -> 24B
int tabA[2][3];
//5x3 double array -> 15 doubles -> 120B
double tabB[5][3];
```

- Continous in memory
- Occupies size 1 × size 2 × sizeof(type) B
- Acces elements with double [], e.g.: tab[i][j]

```
tabA[0][0] // first row first column
tabA[0][2] // first row third column
tabA[1][2] // second row third column
```









2D arrays Memory



- Write a program using a 2D static array.
- Access elements using [].
- Print an address of each array element using &tab[i][j].
- What is a distance of:
  - tab[i][j] and tab[i+1][j]
  - tab[i][j] and tab[i][j+1]
- Can a 2D array be treated as 1D?

6 Consequences?



2D arrays Functions

```
    Defining a function:
type function_name(array_type tab[][SIZE2], ...)
        {
            //Function body
        }
        }
```

```
    Usage:
array_type tab[SIZE1][SIZE2];
...
    //Call the function, pass an array as an argument
function_name(tab, ...);
```

- The second bracket **MUST** give the size of an array.
- Function is compiled separately
- Changing the second index moves to the next memory block
- Changing the first index moves us to the next row.
- The size of row must be known!
- See previous example!



2D arrays Examples

- 1 Write a program illustrating workings of a 2D static array
- 2 Add initialization function
- Oistinguish the maximum size of an array, and the one used by the program
- Illustrate how to write functions with 2D arrays
- **6** Add a function printing a 2D array
- Add a function coping to a 1D vector the diagonal from a square matrix
- 7 Write a function coping a row, column from a 2D array
- 8 Write a function inserting a row column into a 2D array



# **Dynamic memory allocation**

We know how to declare static arrays. We need a method to deal with situations when the size of an array is unknown at compilation time. C offers *malloc*, located in stdlib.h

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

- 1 Allocates a block of size bytes of memory
- 2 Returns a pointer to the beginning of that block
- 3 The content allocated block of memory is not initialized
- 4 size t is unsigned int
- ⑤ For each malloc there needs to be a single free
  type \* p = (type\*)malloc(size);
  free(p)
- 6 After we are done with using the memory

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# Dynamic memory allocation



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# Dynamic memory allocation With size from keyboard

- Read the size from keyboard
- Allocate memory using *malloc()*

```
int n;
scanf("%d", &n);
int *p=(int*)malloc(n*sizeof(int));
p[0] = 11;
p[1] = 12;
p[2] = 13;
p[3] = 21;
p[4] = 22;
p[5] = 23;
free(p);
```

- · Recall the example with reading in array data from a file
- Read the size from file, allocate, read data ...

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**Dynamic memory allocation** Use with functions and compatibility with static arrays

- In the case of 1D arrays it is the same as with static ones
- Example with bubble sorting

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**Dynamic memory allocation** Allocation of 2D arrays is a bit more complicated ...

Which we will find out next week

