MORE STRINGS AND RECURSION

Problem Solving with Computers-I

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Imposter panel: Tomorrow Thurs (06/01), 12:30pm to 1:50pm, HFH 1132



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Lab 08: anagrams

bool isAnagram(string s1, string s2)

Diba == Adib Rats and Mice == In cat's dream Waitress == A stew, Sir?



Lab 08: Palindromes

bool isPalindrome(const string s1) //recursive
bool isPalindrome(const char *s1) //recursive
bool isPalindromeIterative(const char *s1) //iterative

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Understanding the arguments of isPalindrome

bool isPalindrome(const char *s1) //recursive

What is the data type of s1?

- A. C string
- B. String class object
- C. A constant pointer
- D. All of the above
- E. Noe of the above

Lab 08: Understanding the arguments of isPalindrome

bool isPalindrome(const char *s1) //recursive

Why don't we pass the length of the string as a second parameter?

- A. It can be inferred from s1 using the s1.length() method
- B. It can be inferred from s1 using the function strlen(s1)
- C. It is not required to determine if the string is a palindrome
- D. There is an error in the function declaration, we need to specify the length as a second parameter

Lab 08: Steps in a recursive implementation

bool isPalindrome(const char *s1) //recursive

- 1. What is the base case ?
- 2. What is the key assumption when writing the recursive step?
- 3. What is the recursive step?

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Dynamic memory allocation

- To allocate memory on the heap use the 'new' operator
- To free the memory use delete

```
int *p= new int;
delete p;
```

Dynamic arrays

int arr[5];

Dangling pointers and memory leaks

- Dangling pointer: Pointer points to a memory location that no longer exists
- Memory leaks (tardy free)
 - Heap memory not deallocated before the end of program (more strict definition, potential problem)
 - Heap memory that can no longer be accessed (definitely a leak, must be avoided!)

Dynamic memory pitfall: Memory Leaks

• Memory leaks (tardy free)

Does calling foo() result in a memory leak? A. Yes B. No

void foo(){
 int * p = new int;

}

Q: Which of the following functions results in a dangling pointer?

```
int * f1(int num){
    int *mem1 =new int[num];
    return(mem1);
}
```

```
int * f2(int num){
    int mem2[num];
    return(mem2);
}
```

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A. f1
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- **B.** f2
- C. Both

Deleting the list

int freeLinkedList(LinkedList * list){...}

Which data objects are deleted by the statement: **delete list**;



(D) B and C(E) All of the above

Does this result in a memory leak?

Delete node 2 in the list



Delete the list

int freeLinkedList(LinkedList * list);



Next time

Advanced problems in recursion on linked-lists