

#4: Heap Memory

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Puzzle from last Friday:

```
puzzle.cpp
    Cube *CreateCube() {
      Cube c(20);
      return &c;
8
9
   int main() {
10
     Cube *c = CreateCube();
11
     SomeOtherFunction();
12
     double v = c->getVolume();
13
      double a = c->getSurfaceArea();
      return 0;
14
15
```

Takeaway:

Heap Memory:

As programmers, we can use heap memory in cases where the *lifecycle* of the variable exceeds the lifecycle of the function.

- 1. The only way to create heap memory is with the use of the **new** keyword. Using **new** will:
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- 2. The only way to free heap memory is with the use of the **delete** keyword. Using **delete** will:
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3. Memory is never automatically reclaimed, even if it goes out of scope. Any memory lost, but not freed, is considered to be "leaked memory".

```
heap1.cpp

8 int main() {
9 int *p = new int;
10 cs225::Cube *c = new cs225::Cube(10);
11
12 return 0;
13 }
```

Stack		Value	Hea
0xffff00f0	→	varue	0x4
0xffff00e8			0 x 4
0xffff00e0	_		0 x 4
0xffff00d8	→		0 x 4
0xffff00d0	→		0 x 4

Heap	Value	
0x42020 -	→	value
 0x42018 -	>	
0x42010 -	→	
 0x42008 -	>	
0x42000 -	→	

```
heap2.cpp

4 int main() {
5   Cube *c1 = new Cube();
6   Cube *c2 = c1;
7   c2->setLength( 10 );
8   delete c2;
9   delete c1;
10   return 0;
11 }
```

Stack	Value	
0xffff00f0	→	Value
0xffff00e8	→	
0xffff00e0	→	
0xffff00d8	→	
0xffff00d0	→	

Heap		Value
0x42020 ·	>	varue
0x42018 ·	>	
0x42010 ·	→	
0x42008 ·	>	
0x42000 ·	→	

Copying Memory – Deep Copy vs. Shallow Copy

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copy.cpp

6  int i = 2, j = 4, k = 8;
7  int *p = &i, *q = &j, *r = &k;
8
9  k = i;
10  cout << i << j << k << *p << *q << *r << endl;
11
12  p = q;
13  cout << i << j << k << *p << *q << *r << endl;
14
15  *q = *r;
16  cout << i << j << k << *p << *q << *r << endl;</pre>
```

Consider how each assignment operator changes the data:

	Type of LHS	Type of RHS	Data Changed?
Line 8-9			
	i =	j =	k =
	<u>p</u> =	q =	r =
Line 11-12			
	i =	j =	k =
	p =	q =	r =
Line 14-15	i =	i =	k =
	p =	q =	r =

Reference Variable

A reference variable is an <u>alias</u> to an existing variable. Modifying the reference variable modifies the variable being aliased. Internally, a reference variable maps to the same memory as the variable being aliased. Three key ideas:

1.

2.

3.

```
reference.cpp
    int main() {
 4
      int i = 7;
 5
      int & j = i; // j is an alias of i
 6
 7
                                      // j and i are both 4.
      std::cout << i << " " << j << std::endl;
 9
10
                                      // j and i are both 2.
      std::cout << i << " " << j << std::endl;
11
12
      return 0;
13
```

```
heap-puzzle1.cpp
    int *x = new int;
    int &y = *x;
 8
 9
    y = 4;
10
11
    cout << &x << endl;
12 | cout << x << endl;
13
    cout << *x << endl;</pre>
14
15 | cout << &y << endl;
16 | cout << y << endl;
17 | cout << *y << endl;
```

```
heap-puzzle2.cpp

6 int *p, *q;
7 p = new int;
8 q = p;
9 *q = 8;
10 cout << *p << endl;
11
12 q = new int;
13 *q = 9;
14 cout << *p << endl;
15 cout << *q << endl;
```

CS 225 – Things To Be Doing:

- **1.** Exam o starts on Thursday, know your time slot!
- 2. Finish up MP1 Due Monday, Jan. 28 at 11:59pm
- **3.** Complete lab_debug this week in lab sections (due Sunday)
- 4. POTDs are released daily, worth +1 extra credit point! ©