Lab 2

C Review Structs Linked Lists

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Motivation

- Therac-25
 - Dosed patients with 100x the intended radition
 - Multitude of errors in programming, hardware, design, and process
 - At least 3 people died as a direct result

C Review

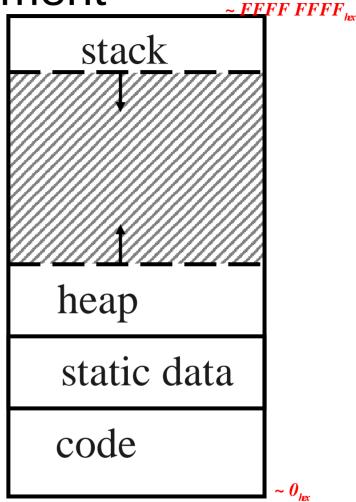
- Mira made some great slides, on blackboard.
 - I will review them at the end of lab.
- Great resources online
 - Read and try the tutorials
 - Academic honesty acid test: can you explain how your code works? Could you reproduce it without any references?

How to Improve

- To learn C, you must write C.
- For a challenge: www.projecteuler.net

Normal C Memory Management

- A program's *address space* contains 4 regions:
 - stack: local variables, grows downward
 - heap: space requested for pointers via malloc(); resizes dynamically, grows upward
 - static data: variables declared outside main, does not grow or shrink
 - code: loaded when program starts, does not change



Functions

- Scope... Globals and { }
- Pass by value
- Pass by reference

Insert/Push a node in front of a list

void WrongPush(struct node* head, int data) {
 struct node* newNode

= malloc(sizeof(struct node));

}

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newNode->data = data;
newNode->next = head;
head = newNode; // NO this line does not work!
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Linked Lists, revisited

- Can use to implement two more data structures
 - Stacks (FILO)
 - Queues (FIFO)
- Stack examples?
- Queue examples?

Your Turn

- Write a queue program for a business
- Two tasks:
 - add person to queue
 - call next person to service
- Must also keep track of each customer's problem ID.
- Use scanf() to get input from user.