

COP 3502 Quiz #1 Version C (SLMP, Dynamic Memory Allocation) Solutions

1) (11 pts) Here is the definition for a struct block:

```
typedef struct block {
    int number;
    char letter;
} block;
```

Write a segment of code that (a) reads in an integer into an integer variable `n`, (b) allocates an array of **pointers** to block of size `n`, and (c) allocates each individual pointer in the array to point to a new block, setting each one's number to a random integer in between 1 and 10 and setting each one's letter to a random letter in between 'a' and 'z'. (Note: given an integer `val` that is in between 0 and 25, `(char)(val+'a')` will be a random letter in between 'a' and 'z'.)

```
scanf("%d", &n);

block** arr = calloc(n, sizeof(block*));

for (int i=0; i<n; i++) {
    arr[i] = malloc(sizeof(block));
    arr[i]->number = rand()%10 +1;
    arr[i]->letter = (char)(rand()%26+'a');
}
```

Grading: 1 pt scanf, 3 pts either malloc or calloc, 1 pt loop, 2 pts malloc, 2 pts number, 2 pts letter

2) (9 pts) Write a function that takes in an array, `array`, its length, `n`, and an integer `add`, and dynamically allocates **a new array** of size `n`, and fills it with the contents of `array`, but adding `add` to each corresponding item. So, if the input array stores [3,4,5,1,9], and `add` equals 4, the newly returned pointer will point to a new array storing [7,8,9,5,13]. No changes should be made to the original array.

```
// Pre-condition: array is of length n.
// Post-condition: No change is made to array and a new array of
// size n is created storing array's contents, with add added to
// each corresponding value.
int* makeElevatedArray(int array[], int n, int add) {

    // 4 pts, can use calloc or malloc.
    int* res = calloc(n, sizeof(int));

    // 1 pt for loop, 2 pts for assignment
    for (int i=0; i<n; i++)
        res[i] = array[i] + add;

    // 2 pts for returning correct pointer.
    return res;
}
```

3) (10 pts) Write a function that takes in an array of strings, `words`, its length, `n`, representing the number of words in the array, and returns a pointer to a newly dynamically allocated string that stores the first character of each word, all in order. (So if `words = {"who","ate","three","cookies","happily"}`, a pointer to the string "watch" should be returned.) Allocate exactly the necessary space for the dynamically allocated array.

```
#include <string.h>
char* allFirstLetters(char** words, int n) {

    // 4 pts, can use calloc or malloc.
    char* res = malloc((n+1)*sizeof(char));

    // 2 pts for loop, 2 pts for assignment
    for (int i=0; i<n; i++)
        res[i] = words[i][0];

    // 1 pt for assigning this.
    res[n] = '\0';

    // 1 pt for returning correct pointer.
    return res;

}
```

4) (5 pts) Assume that `array` is an integer array of size `n`. The line of code below reallocates the amount of space for the array to store $2n$ integers. Write equivalent code (to the `realloc` line) that uses the `malloc` and `free` functions (so it will be several lines long), assuming that the `malloc` succeeds in finding the requisite memory.

```
array = realloc(array, 2*n*sizeof(int));

int* tmp = calloc(2*n, sizeof(int));           // 1 pt
for (int i=0; i<n; i++)                       // 1 pt
    tmp[i] = array[i];                       // 1 pt
free(array);                                  // 1 pt
array = tmp;                                  // 1 pt
```