

Instructions: Submit your answers to these questions to the Curator as 0003 by the posted due date and time. No late submissions will be accepted.

For the next three questions, assume that the following pointer definitions are in place:

```
int* P = NULL;
int* Q = NULL;
int* R = NULL;
```

And, assume that some unknown code has been executed that has given each of these pointers a valid target, so no pointer is NULL, but that you have no further information about what those targets might be.

1. Suppose that  $P == Q$ . Which of the following statements must also be true?

- |                           |                       |                 |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|
| 1) $\&P == \&Q$           | 4) All must be true   | 7) 1 and 3 only |
| 2) $*P == *Q$             | 5) All could be false | 8) 2 and 3 only |
| 3) $P - Q == \text{NULL}$ | 6) 1 and 2 only       |                 |

2. Suppose that  $*Q == *R$ . Which of the following statements must also be true?

- |                           |                       |                 |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|
| 1) $Q == R$               | 4) All must be true   | 7) 1 and 3 only |
| 2) $\&Q == \&R$           | 5) All could be false | 8) 2 and 3 only |
| 3) $Q - R == \text{NULL}$ | 6) 1 and 2 only       |                 |

3. Suppose that  $\&*P == \&*R$ . Which of the following statements must also be true?

- |                 |                       |                 |
|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|
| 1) $\&P == \&R$ | 4) All must be true   | 7) 1 and 3 only |
| 2) $P == R$     | 5) All could be false | 8) 2 and 3 only |
| 3) $*P == *R$   | 6) 1 and 2 only       |                 |

For the questions 4 through 7, assume that we have a C function whose stack frame currently looks like this:

symbolic name	address	value
	0xFFA144CC	old frame pointer
X	0xFFA144C8	10
Y	0xFFA144C4	20
	. . .	
P	0xFFA144C0	0
	. . .	
Q	0xFFA144B8	0

Note: addresses are shown in hexadecimal and values are shown in base-10. Some irrelevant variables/values are not given. (If you write code to try to test your answers, there is no reason to expect you'll get the same addresses I did, and if you get a different memory layout, the behavior may be different.)

Assume the following code is executed at the in the function body:

```
P = &X; // statement 1
Q = &Y; // statement 2
```

The following questions are independent. That is, each assumes things are initially in the state following the execution of the two statements above.

4. Suppose the following code is executed after statements 1 and 2:

```
*P = *Q;
```

What values would the four variables have now?

	X	Y	P	Q
1)	10	10	0xFFA144C0	0xFFA144B8
2)	10	20	0xFFA144C0	0xFFA144B8
3)	20	10	0xFFA144C0	0xFFA144B8
4)	20	20	0xFFA144C0	0xFFA144B8
5)	10	10	0xFFA144C8	0xFFA144C4
6)	10	20	0xFFA144C8	0xFFA144C4
7)	20	10	0xFFA144C8	0xFFA144C4
8)	20	20	0xFFA144C8	0xFFA144C4
9)	None of these			

5. Suppose the following code is executed after statements 1 and 2:

```
Y = *P + 10;
*Q += 20;
```

What values would the four variables have now?

	X	Y	P	Q
1)	10	20	0xFFA144C8	0xFFA144C4
2)	10	30	0xFFA144C8	0xFFA144C4
3)	10	20	0xFFA144C8	0xFFA144C4
4)	10	30	0xFFA144C8	0xFFA144C4
5)	10	40	0xFFA144C8	0xFFA144C4
6)	20	40	0xFFA144C8	0xFFA144C4
7)	None of these			

6. Suppose the following code is executed after statements 1 and 2:

```
*(Q)++;
*(P)--;
```

What values would the four variables have now?

	X	Y	P	Q
1)	10	20	0xFFA144C4	0xFFA144C8
2)	11	19	0xFFA144C4	0xFFA144C8
3)	9	21	0xFFA144C4	0xFFA144C8
4)	10	20	0xFFA144C8	0xFFA144C4
5)	11	19	0xFFA144C8	0xFFA144C4
6)	9	21	0xFFA144C8	0xFFA144C4
7)	None of these			

7. Suppose the following code is executed after statements 1 and 2:

```
Q++;
P--;
*(Q)++;
*(P)--;
```

What values would the four variables have now?

	X	Y	P	Q
1)	10	20	0xFFA144C4	0xFFA144C8
2)	11	19	0xFFA144C4	0xFFA144C8
3)	10	20	0xFFA144C8	0xFFA144C4
4)	11	19	0xFFA144C8	0xFFA144C4
5)	9	21	0xFFA144C8	0xFFA144C4
6)	9	21	0xFFA144C4	0xFFA144C8
7)	None of these			

Suppose that `P` is an `int*` whose target is the first byte in an array of Size 32-bit `int` values. A programmer wants to use a while loop to traverse the array and do something (what is not important) with the values in the array. So far, he has written the following code and comments:

```
int A[Size];

int* P = &A[0];      // *P is A[0]

int* Limit = ??;     // How do I set Limit to make the loop below work?

while ( P < Limit ) {

    // I'll write the code to process the int *P here.

    // How should I update P here?

}
```

8. How could the variable `Limit` be initialized to make the loop terminate after the last element of `A` is processed?

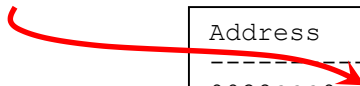
- |                              |                                  |                  |
|------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------|
| 1) <code>P + Size</code>     | 4) <code>&amp;A[Size - 1]</code> | 7) None of these |
| 2) <code>P + Size - 1</code> | 5) 1 or 3 only                   |                  |
| 3) <code>&amp;A[Size]</code> | 6) 2 or 4 only                   |                  |

9. How should the variable `P` be updated so that all the elements of `A` are processed?

- |                            |                                      |                  |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------|
| 1) <code>P = P + 1;</code> | 4) <code>P = P + sizeof(int);</code> | 7) None of these |
| 2) <code>P++;</code>       | 5) 1 or 2 only                       |                  |
| 3) <code>P = P + 4;</code> | 6) 3 or 4 only                       |                  |

For questions 10 through 15, assume that `p` is a pointer of type `uint8_t*` and points to the beginning of a block of memory initialized as shown in the hexdump below:

```
uint8_t *p;
```



Address	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	A	B	C	D	E	F
0028CCC0	57	00	05	6F	66	64	00	09	73	68	61	67	67	79	57	00
0028CCD0	08	77	69	6C	64	2C	AF	00	08	6E	75	72	73	65	DB	00
0028CCE0	08	73	74	65	72	6E	D5	00	0B	6D	6F	75	6E	74	61	69
0028CCF0	6E	92	00	06	74	68	65	6F	00	0D	43	61	6C	65	64	6F

So, `p` would have the value `0x0028CCC0` and `*p` would have the value `0x57`, or 87 in base-10.

For each of the following questions, determine the value of the pointer expression.

**Answers are all given in hexadecimal. Multi-byte integers are stored in memory in little-endian order. The answers offered below are expressed in human-friendly big-endian form.**

10. `*(p + 4)`

- |         |         |         |
|---------|---------|---------|
| 1) 0x57 | 3) 0x05 | 5) 0x66 |
| 2) 0x00 | 4) 0x6F | 6) 0x73 |

11. `*(p + 0x10)`

- |         |         |         |
|---------|---------|---------|
| 1) 0x09 | 3) 0x6F | 5) 0x5F |
| 2) 0x0F | 4) 0x73 | 6) 0x08 |

12. `*(uint16_t*)(p + 0xA)`

- |           |           |           |
|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 1) 0x0057 | 3) 0x6167 | 5) 0x0900 |
| 2) 0x6779 | 4) 0x5700 | 6) 0x6761 |

13. `*(uint32_t*)(p)`

- |               |               |               |
|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| 1) 0x6F050057 | 3) 0x5700056F | 5) 0xF6500075 |
| 2) 0x00000057 | 4) 0x6F000000 | 6) 0x5708086E |

14. `(uint32_t)(*p)`

- |               |               |               |
|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| 1) 0x6F050057 | 3) 0x5700056F | 5) 0xF6500075 |
| 2) 0x00000057 | 4) 0x57000000 | 6) 0x5708086E |

15. `*(uint32_t*)(p + 8)`

- |               |               |               |
|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| 1) 0x6F050057 | 3) 0x73686167 | 5) 0x67616873 |
| 2) 0x00646F05 | 4) 0x6F650005 | 6) 0x09006466 |

For questions 16 through 20, assume that `p` is a pointer of type `uint8_t*` and points into a block of memory initialized as shown in the hexdump below:

```
uint8_t *p;
```

Address	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	A	B	C	D	E	F
0028CCC0	57	00	05	6F	66	64	00	09	73	68	61	67	67	79	57	00
0028CCD0	08	77	69	6C	64	2C	AF	00	08	6E	75	72	73	65	DB	00
0028CCE0	08	73	74	65	72	6E	D5	00	0B	6D	6F	75	6E	74	61	69
0028CCF0	6E	92	00	06	74	68	65	6F	00	0D	43	61	6C	65	64	6F

So, `p` would have the value `0x0028CCD8` and `*p` would have the value `0x08`. For each question, select the C expression that would yield the given value.

**Remember that the hexdump above shows memory contents in little-endian order, while the answers below are shown in big-endian order.**

16. `0x00DB6573`

- |                                       |                 |                  |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| 1) <code>(uint32_t*) (* (p+4))</code> | 4) All of them  | 7) 2 and 3 only  |
| 2) <code>* (uint32_t*) (p + 4)</code> | 5) 1 and 2 only | 8) None of these |
| 3) <code>(uint32_t) (*p)</code>       | 6) 1 and 3 only |                  |

17. `0x6E08`

- |  |                  |
|--|------------------|
| 1) <code>* (uint16_t*) (p)</code>                                  | 5) 1 and 2 only  |
| 2) <code>(uint16_t) (*p)</code>                                    | 6) 1 and 3 only  |
| 3) <code>(uint16_t)(*p) + ((uint16_t) (* (p+1)) &lt;&lt; 4)</code> | 7) 2 and 3 only  |
| 4) All of them   | 8) None of these |

18. `0x0C`

- |                                 |                 |                  |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| 1) <code>(*p) + 4</code>        | 4) All of them  | 7) 2 and 3 only  |
| 2) <code>* (p + 4)</code>       | 5) 1 and 2 only | 8) None of these |
| 3) <code>(*p) &gt;&gt; 4</code> | 6) 1 and 3 only |                  |

19. `0x00AF`

- |                                  |                 |                  |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| 1) <code>(*p) - 2</code>         | 4) All of them  | 7) 2 and 3 only  |
| 2) <code>* (p - 2)</code>        | 5) 1 and 2 only | 8) None of these |
| 3) <code>(*p &lt;&lt; 16)</code> | 6) 1 and 3 only |                  |

20. `0x08`

- |                           |                 |                  |
|---------------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| 1) <code>*p - 8</code>    | 4) All of them  | 7) 2 and 3 only  |
| 2) <code>* (p - 8)</code> | 5) 1 and 2 only | 8) None of these |
| 3) <code>* (p + 8)</code> | 6) 1 and 3 only |                  |

**NB:** You can test your answers to questions 9 – 20 if you set up a suitable block of memory and then write `printf()` statements to check values. Here's how to get started:

```
int main() {
    uint8_t Data[64] = {0x57, 0x00, 0x05, 0x6F, 0x66, 0x64, 0x00, 0x09,
                        0x73, 0x68, 0x61, 0x67, 0x67, 0x79, 0x57, 0x00,
                        0x08, 0x77, 0x69, 0x6C, 0x64, 0x2C, 0xAF, 0x00,
                        0x08, 0x6E, 0x75, 0x72, 0x73, 0x65, 0xDB, 0x00,
                        0x08, 0x73, 0x74, 0x65, 0x72, 0x6E, 0xD5, 0x00,
                        0x0B, 0x6D, 0x6F, 0x75, 0x6E, 0x74, 0x61, 0x69,
                        0x6E, 0x92, 0x00, 0x06, 0x74, 0x68, 0x65, 0x6F,
                        0x00, 0x0D, 0x43, 0x61, 0x6C, 0x65, 0x64, 0x6F};

    // For questions 9-15
    uint8_t *p = Data;
    . . .
}
```

If you do this, and it's good practice with C, be careful about how you write your format specifiers in the `printf()` statements. The answers show the value in hexadecimal, with the appropriate number of leading zeros (if needed). You won't get that unless you use the right specifiers (e.g., "%X" or "%08x" or something similar).

**21.** Which of the following statements are true? The values should be interpreted as signed 16-bit values.

- |                      |                 |
|----------------------|-----------------|
| 1) $0x704F < 0x7053$ | 5) 1 and 3 only |
| 2) $0x704F > 0x7053$ | 6) 1 and 4 only |
| 3) $0xAFFF < 0xB00D$ | 7) 2 and 3 only |
| 4) $0xAFFF > 0xB00D$ | 8) 2 and 4 only |

**22.** Which of the following statements are true? The values should be interpreted as unsigned 16-bit values.

- |                      |                 |
|----------------------|-----------------|
| 1) $0x704F < 0x7053$ | 5) 1 and 3 only |
| 2) $0x704F > 0x7053$ | 6) 1 and 4 only |
| 3) $0xAFFF < 0xB00D$ | 7) 2 and 3 only |
| 4) $0xAFFF > 0xB00D$ | 8) 2 and 4 only |

**23.** Which of the following statements are true? The values should be interpreted as signed 16-bit values.

- |                            |                 |
|----------------------------|-----------------|
| 1) $-0xF347 == 0x0CB8$     | 5) 1 and 3 only |
| 2) $-0xF347 == 0x0CB9$     | 6) 1 and 4 only |
| 3) $\sim 0xF347 == 0x0CB8$ | 7) 2 and 3 only |
| 4) $\sim 0xF347 == 0x0CB9$ | 8) 2 and 4 only |

**24.** Which of the following statements are true? The values should be interpreted as unsigned 16-bit values.

- |                                 |                                |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1) $0x704F \& 0x7053 == 0x704F$ | 6) $0x704F   0x7053 == 0x705F$ |
| 2) $0x704F \& 0x7053 == 0x7053$ | 7) 1 and 4 only                |
| 3) $0x704F \& 0x7053 == 0x7043$ | 8) 2 and 5 only                |
| 4) $0x704F   0x7053 == 0x704F$  | 9) 3 and 6 only                |
| 5) $0x704F   0x7053 == 0x7053$  | 10) None of these              |

25. Which of the following statements are true? The values should be interpreted as unsigned 16-bit values.

- 1)  $0x704F \wedge 0x7053 == 0x001C$
- 2)  $0x704F \wedge 0x7053 == 0xFFD3$
- 3)  $0x704F \wedge 0x704F == 0x0000$
- 4)  $0x704F \wedge 0x704F == 0xFFFF$

- 5) 1 and 3 only
- 6) 1 and 4 only
- 7) 2 and 3 only
- 8) 2 and 4 only
- 9) None of these