



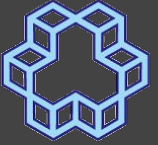
Fundamentals of Programming

session 23

Introduction to Pointers

```
*****  
* convolve.c  
***** /  
  
/* Standard includes */  
#include <assert.h>  
#include <math.h>  
#include <stdlib.h> /* malloc(), realloc() */  
  
/* Our includes */  
#include "base.h"  
#include "error.h"  
#include "convolve.h"  
#include "klt_util.h" /* printing */  
  
#define MAX_KERNEL_WIDTH 71  
  
typedef struct {  
    int ndim;  
    float data[MAX_KERNEL_WIDTH];  
} ConvolutionKernel;  
  
/* Kernels */
```

What is a Pointer?



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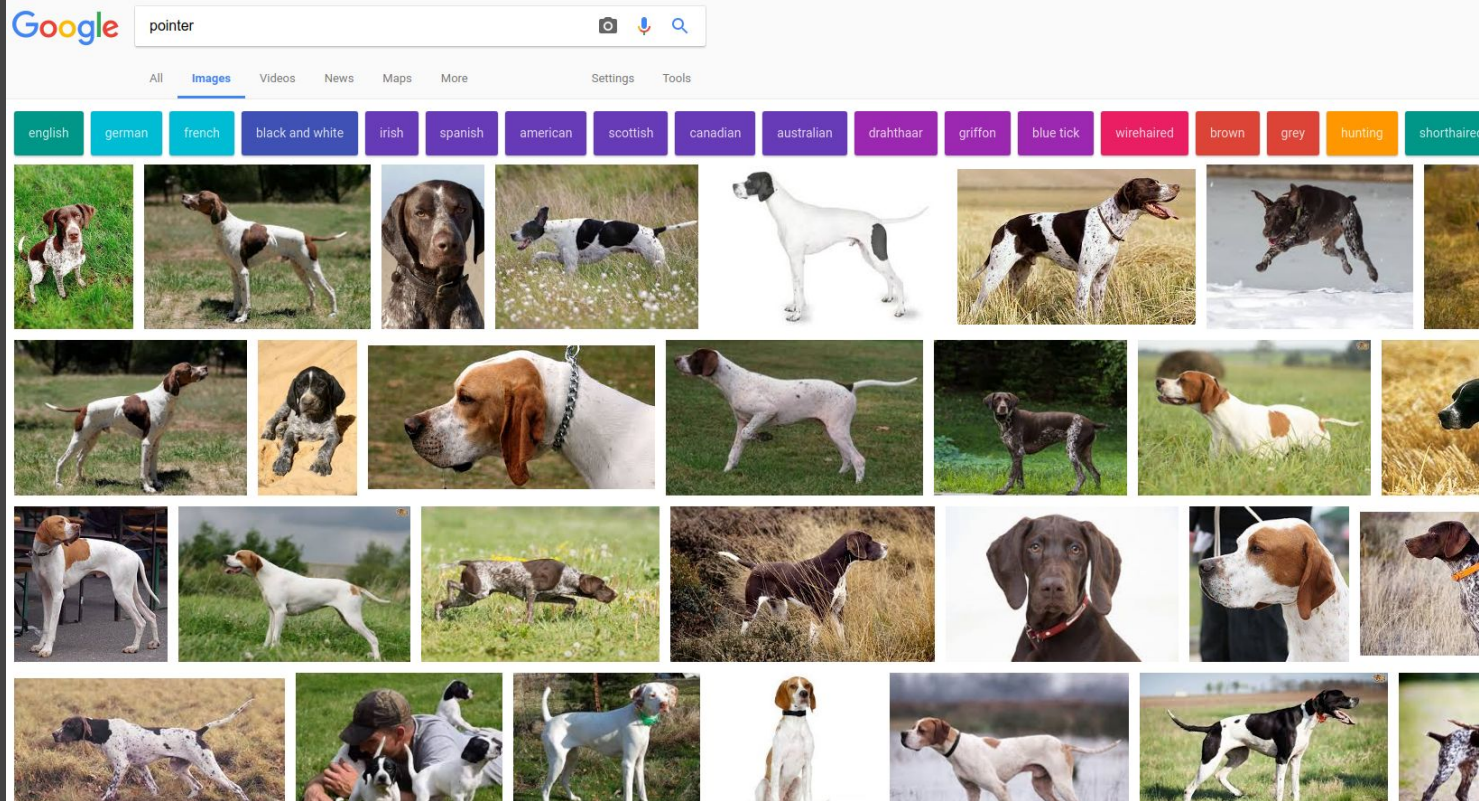
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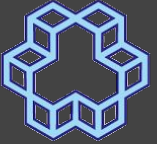


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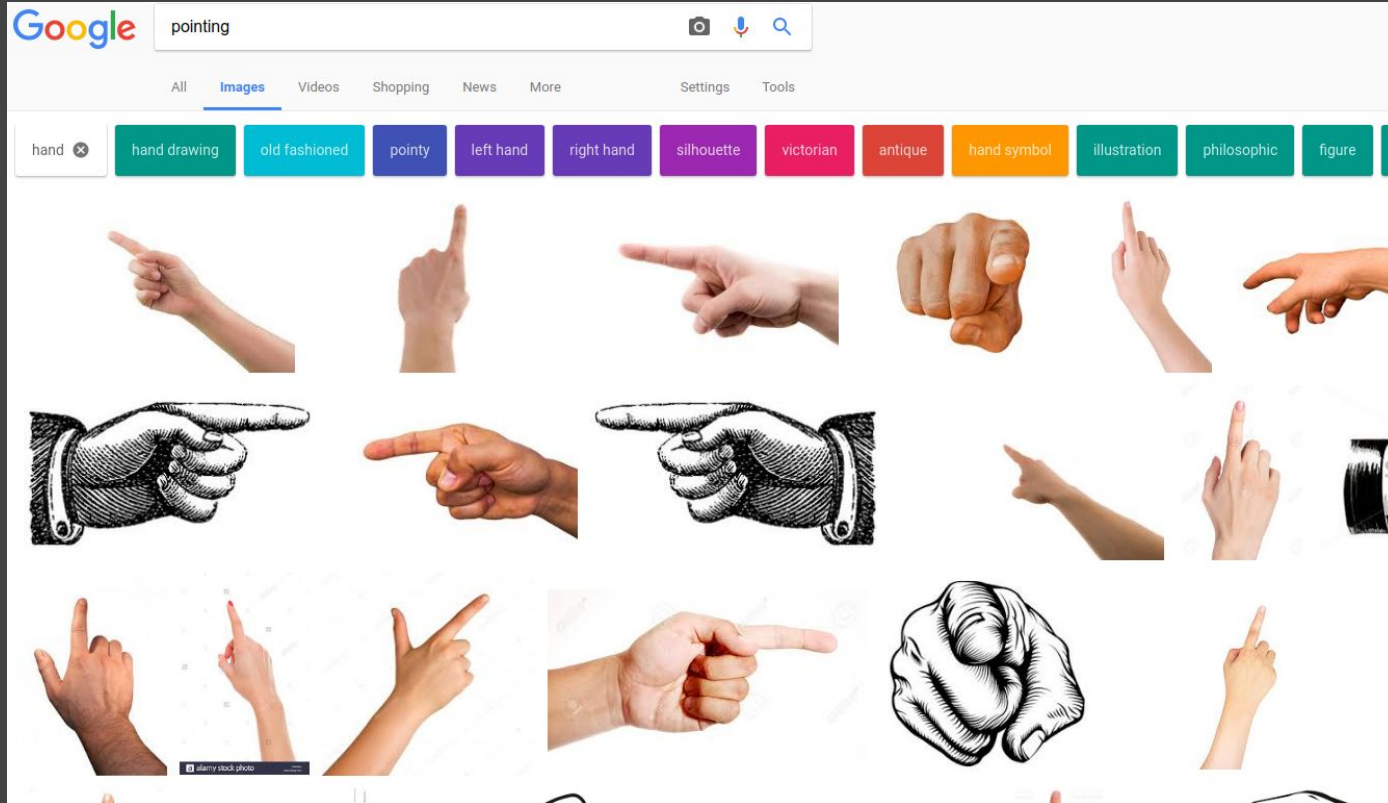


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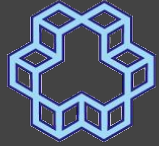
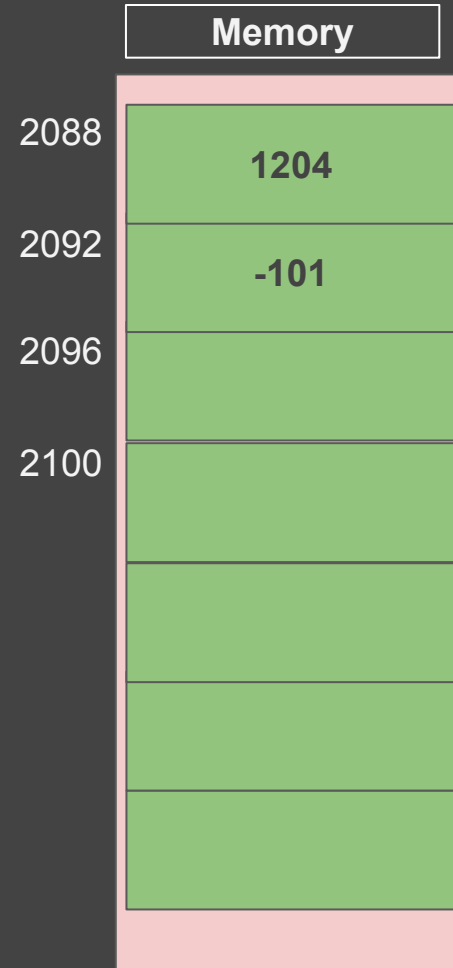
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What is a Pointer?

```
int i = 1204;  
int j = -101;
```



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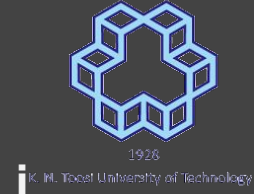
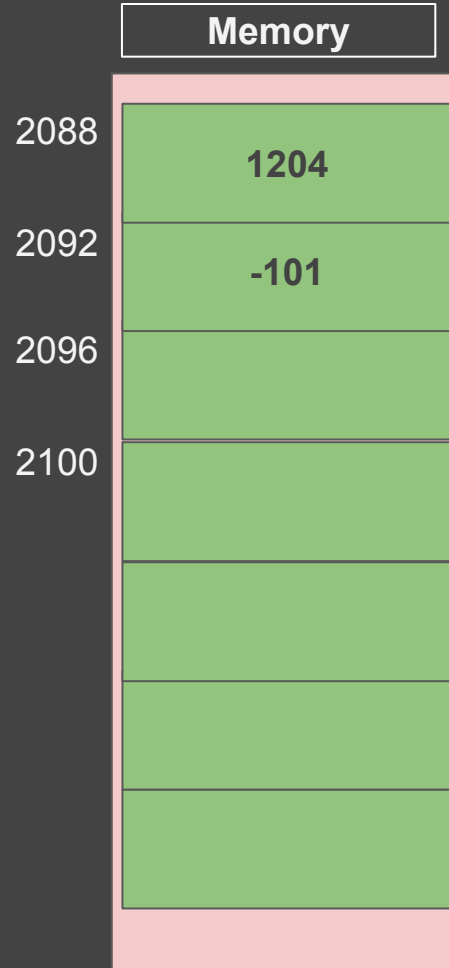
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What is a Pointer?

```
int i = 1204;  
int j = -101;  
printf("%u\n", &i);
```

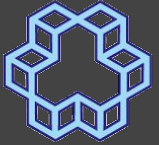
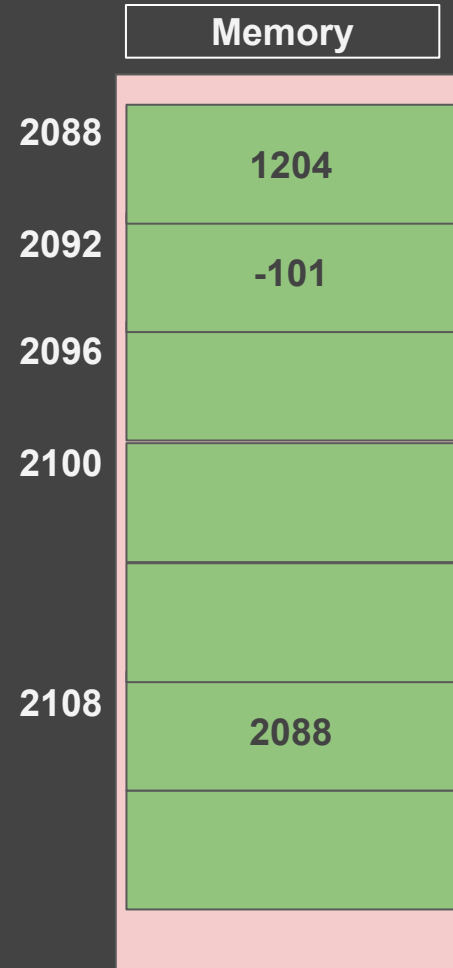
i	j	&i	&j
1204	-101	2088	2092



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What is a Pointer?

```
int i = 1204;  
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```



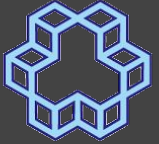
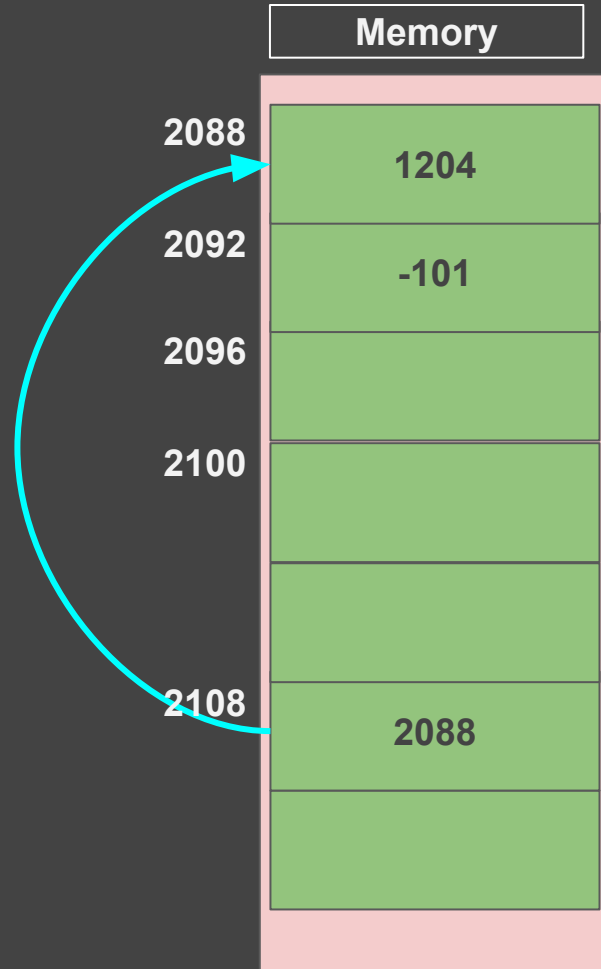
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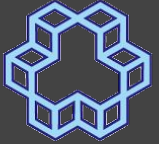
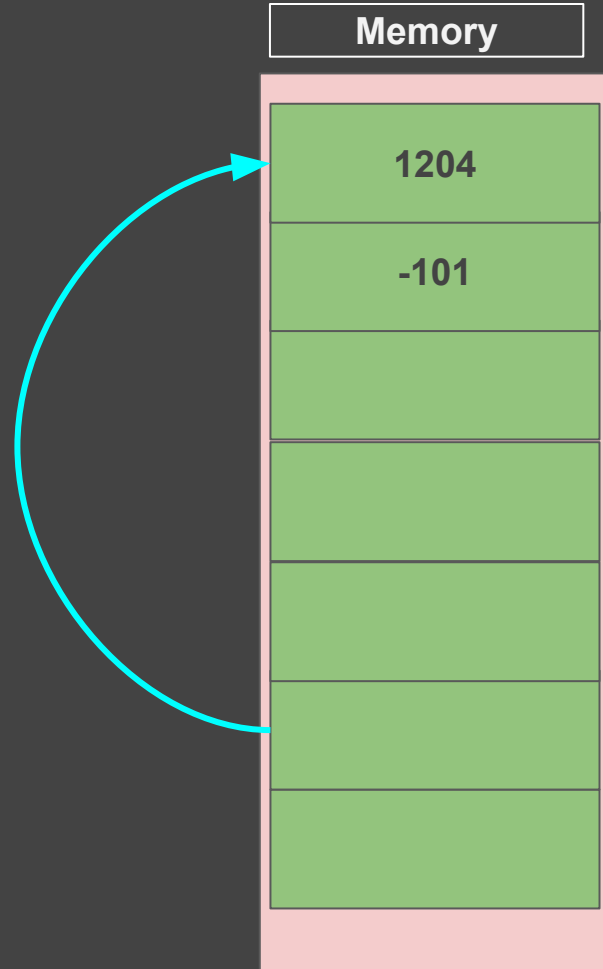
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```

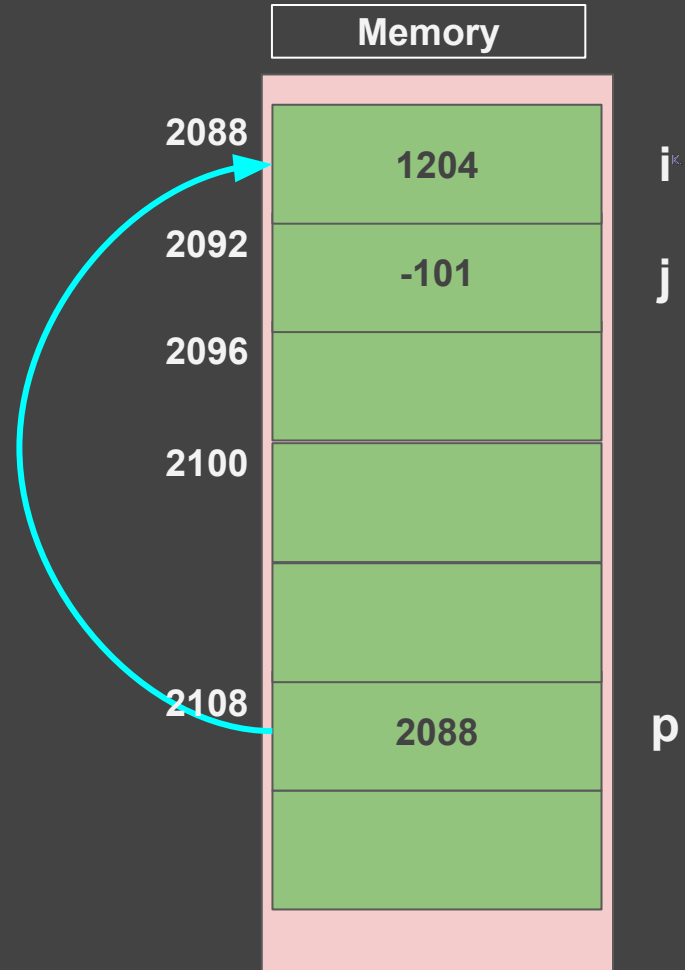


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What is a Pointer?

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int j = -101;  
int *p;  
  
p = &i;
```



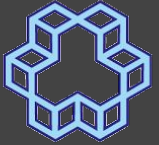
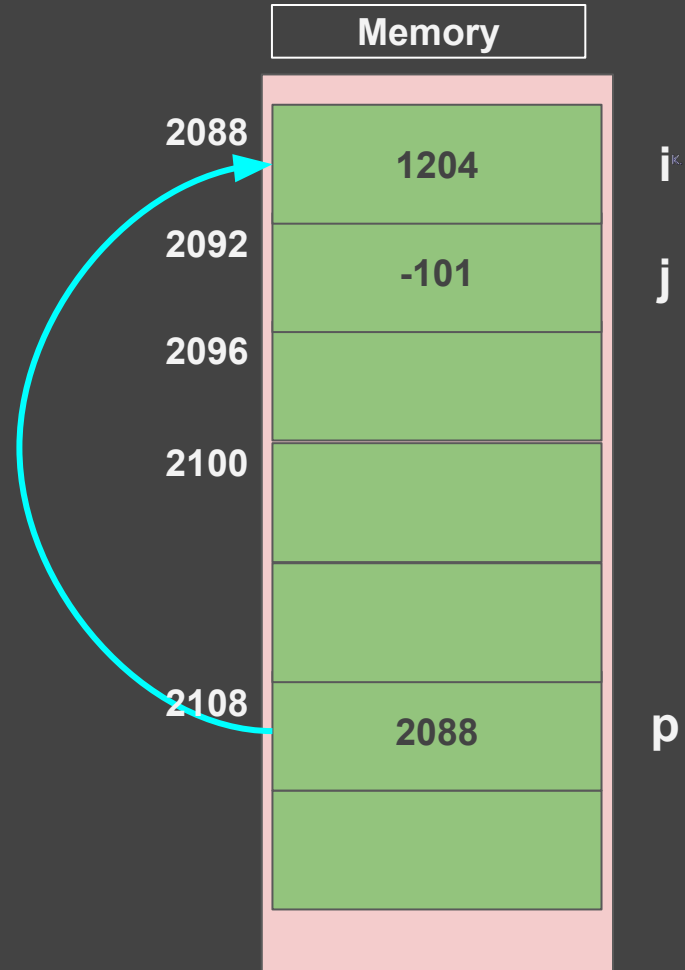
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What is a Pointer?

```
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p = &i;
```

i	p	&i	&p
?	?	?	?



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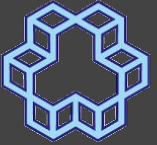
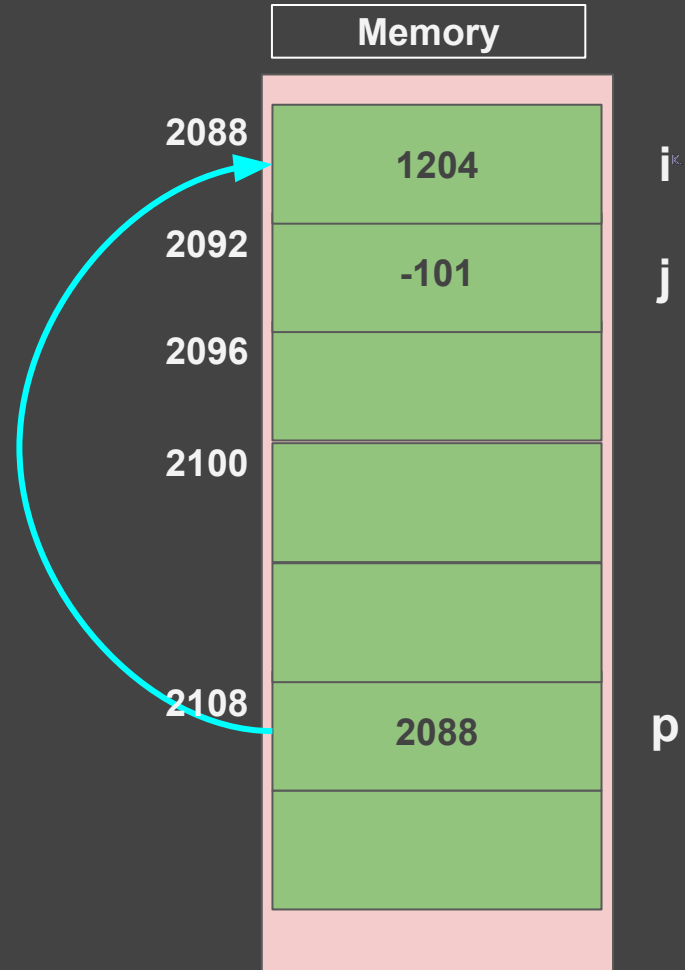
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What is a Pointer?

```
int i = 1204;  
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int *p;
```

```
p = &i;
```

i	p	&i	&p
1204	?	?	?



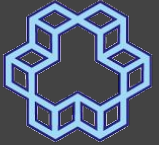
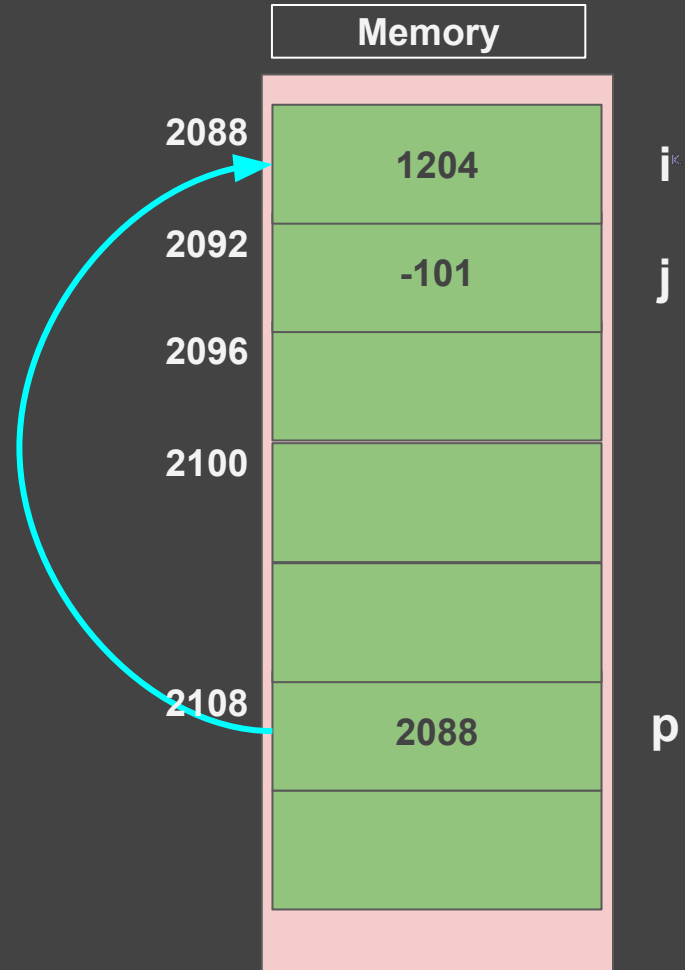
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What is a Pointer?

```
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p = &i;
```

i	p	&i	&p
1204	2088	?	?



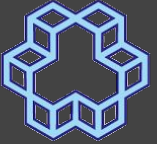
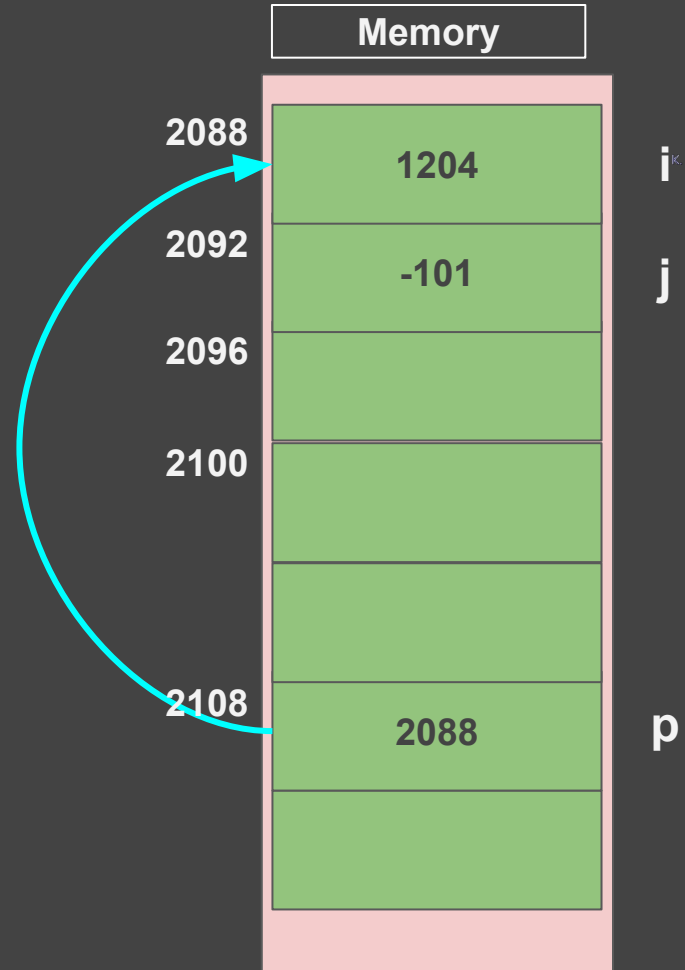
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What is a Pointer?

```
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int *p;  
  
p = &i;
```

i	p	&i	&p
1204	2088	2088	?



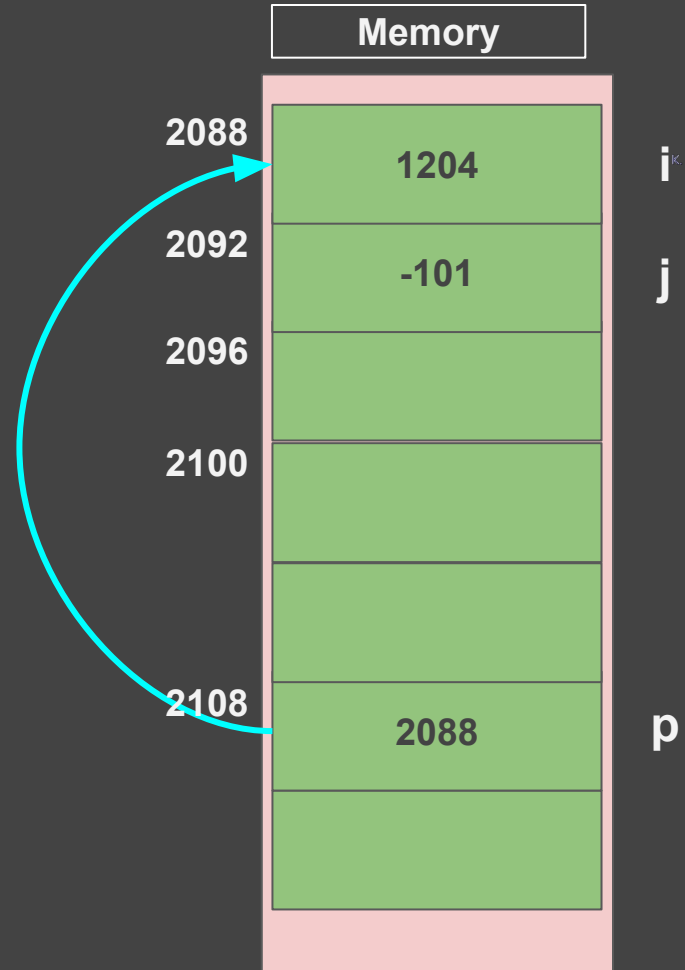
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What is a Pointer?

```
int i = 1204;  
int j = -101;  
int *p;  
  
p = &i;
```

i	p	&i	&p
1204	2088	2088	2108



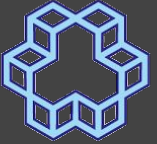
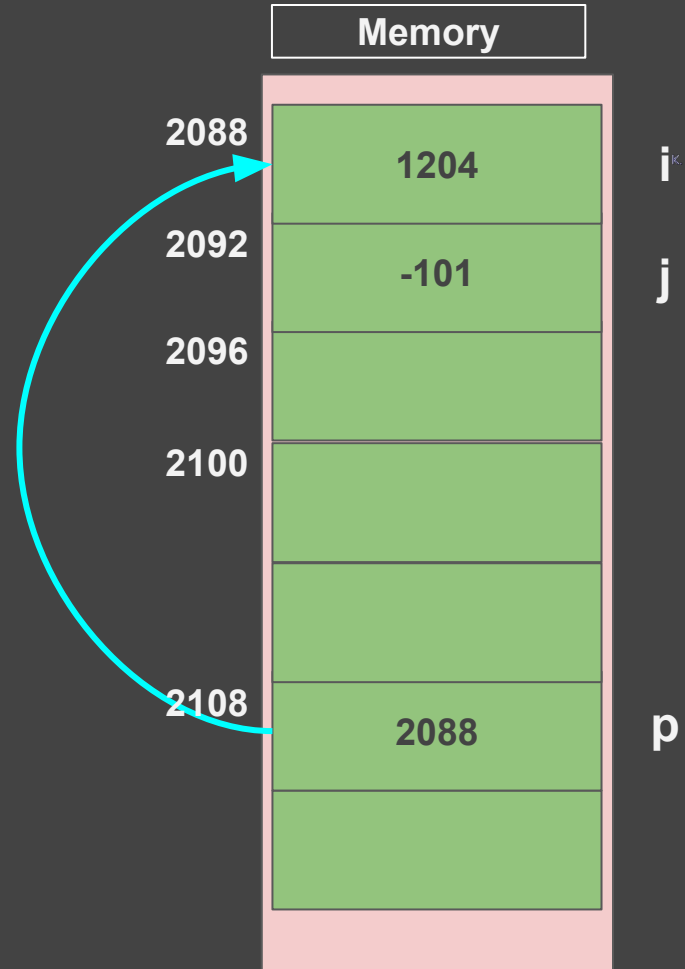
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What is a Pointer?

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int i = 1204;  
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int *p;  
  
p = &i;
```

i	p	&i	&p
1204	2088	2088	2108



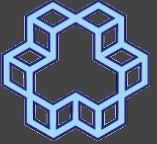
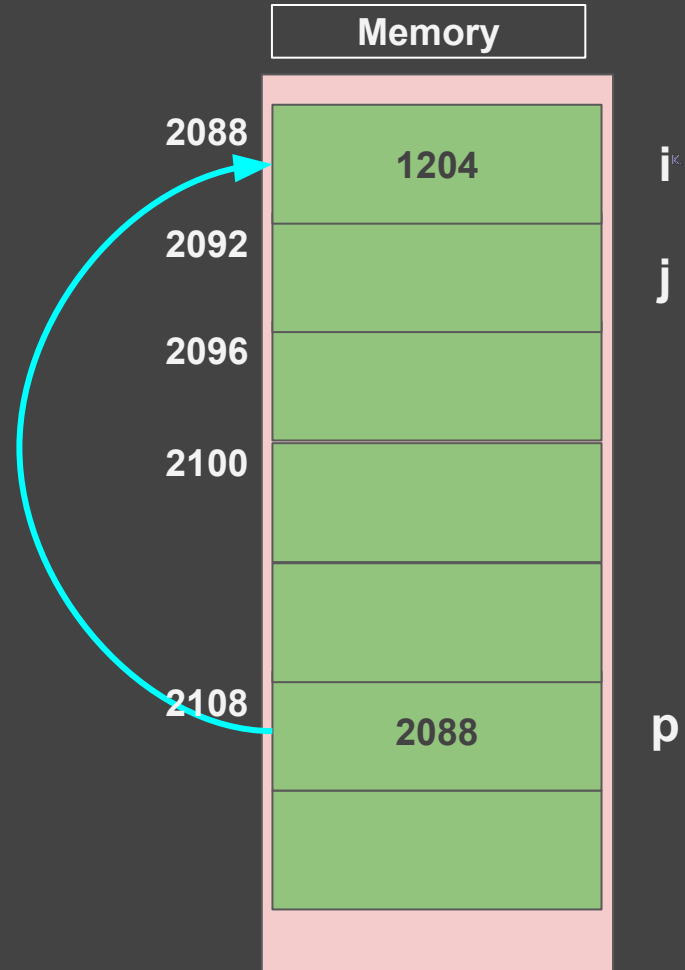
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What is a Pointer?

```
int i = 1204;  
int j = -101;  
int *p;  
p = &i;  
j = *p;
```

i	p	&i	&p	*p
1204	2088	2088	2108	?



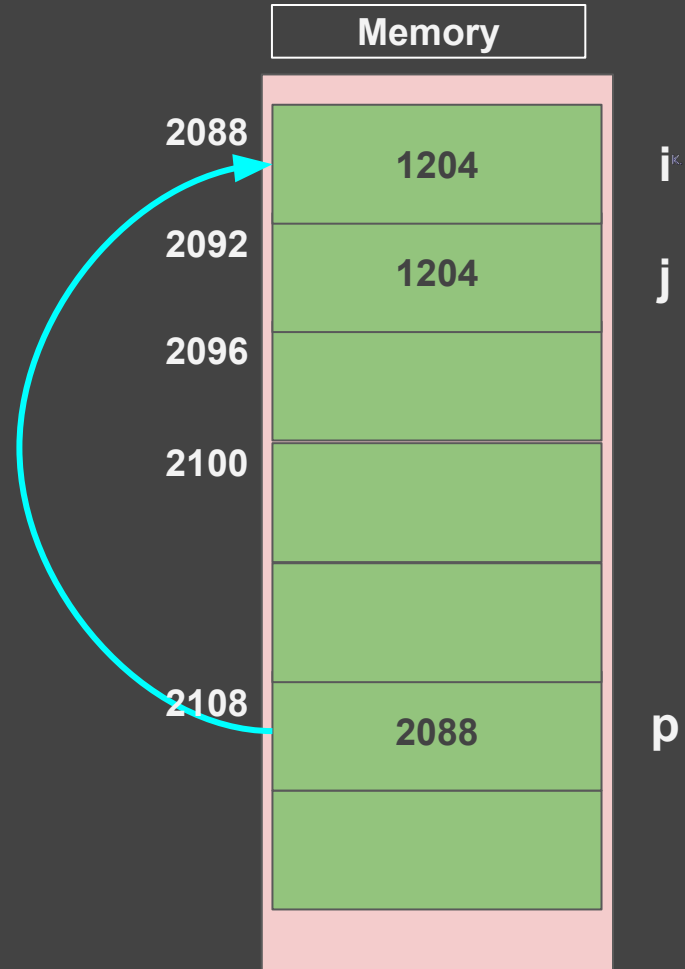
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What is a Pointer?

```
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int *p;  
p = &i;  
j = *p;
```

i	p	&i	&p	*p
1204	2088	2088	2108	1204



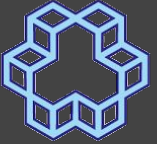
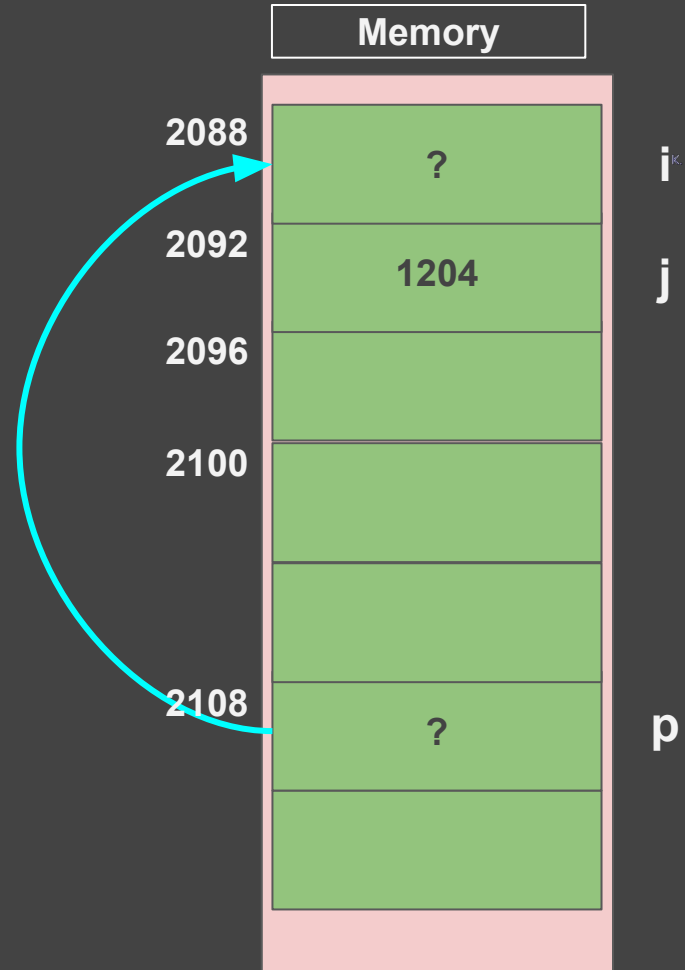
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What is a Pointer?

```
int i = 1204;  
int j = -101;  
int *p;  
p = &i;  
j = *p;  
*p = -22;
```

i	p	&i	&p	*p
?	?	?	?	?



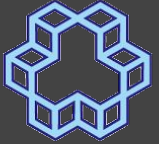
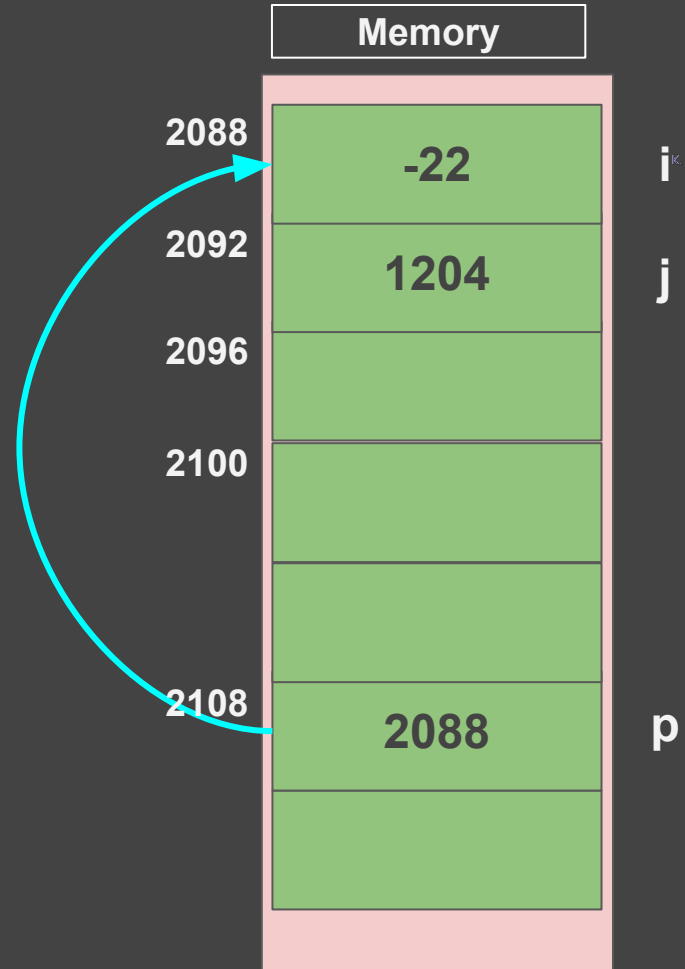
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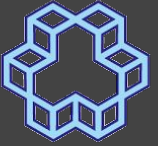
```
int i = 1204;  
int j = -101;  
int *p;  
p = &i;  
j = *p;  
*p = -22;
```

i	p	&i	&p	*p
-22	2088	2088	2108	-22



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Simulating by-reference argument passing

```
#include <stdio.h>

void duplicate(int x);

int main() {
    int x = 10;

    duplicate(x);
    printf("%d\n",x);

    return 0;
}

void duplicate(int x) {
    x *= 0;
}
```



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}
```

```
#include <stdio.h>

void duplicate(int*);

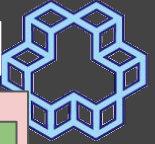
int main() {
    int x = 10;

    duplicate(&x);
    printf("%d\n",x);

    return 0;
}

void duplicate(int *p) {
    *p *= 2;
}
```

Simulating by-reference arguments



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#include <stdio.h>

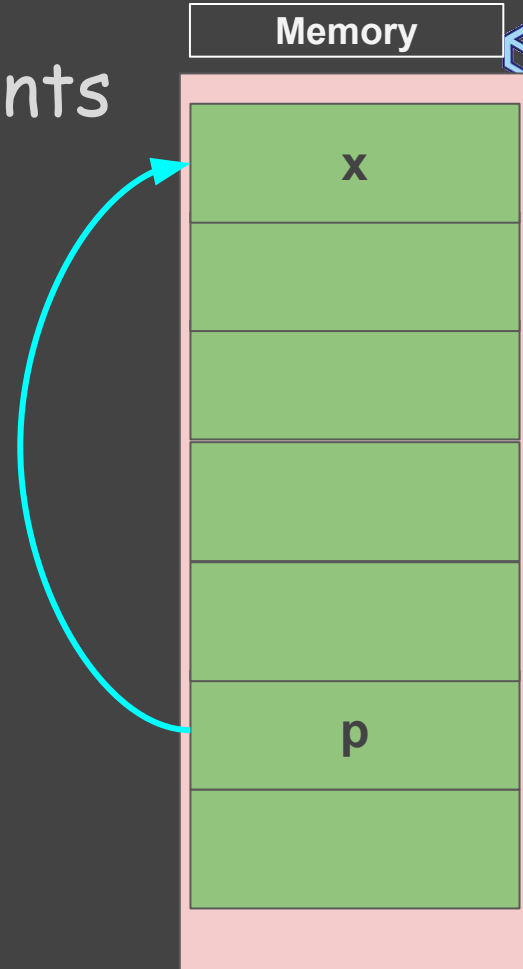
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    int x = 10;

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    printf("%d\n",x);

    return 0;
}

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    *p *= 2;
}
```



multiple outputs

```
#include <stdio.h>

void divide(int a, int b, int *qp, int *rp);

int main() {
    int a,b,q,r;

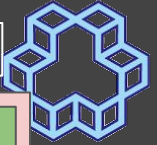
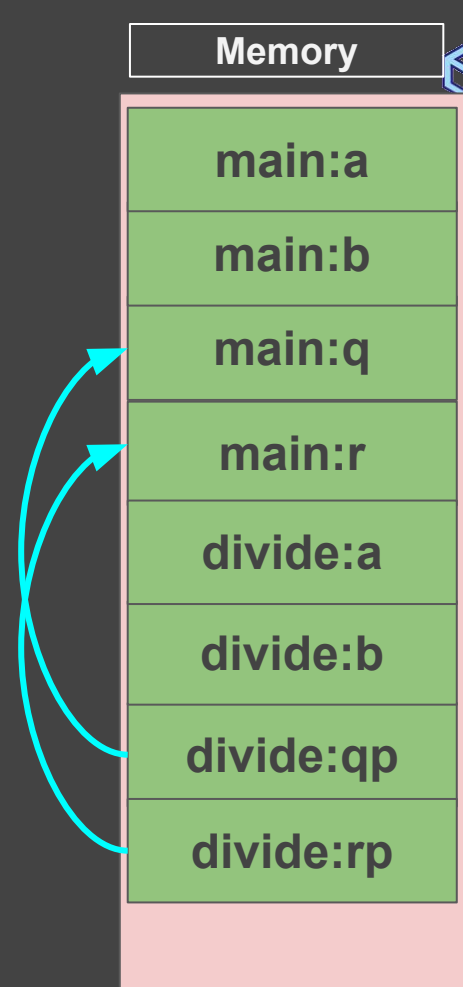
    scanf("%d %d", &a, &b);

    divide(a,b,&q,&r);

    printf("%d = %d * %d + %d\n", a, q, b, r);

    return 0;
}

void divide(int a, int b, int *qp, int *rp) {
    *qp = a / b;
    *rp = a % b;
}
```



Arguments are still by-value

```
int main() {
    int a,b,q,r;
    int *rp;

    scanf("%d %d", &a, &b);

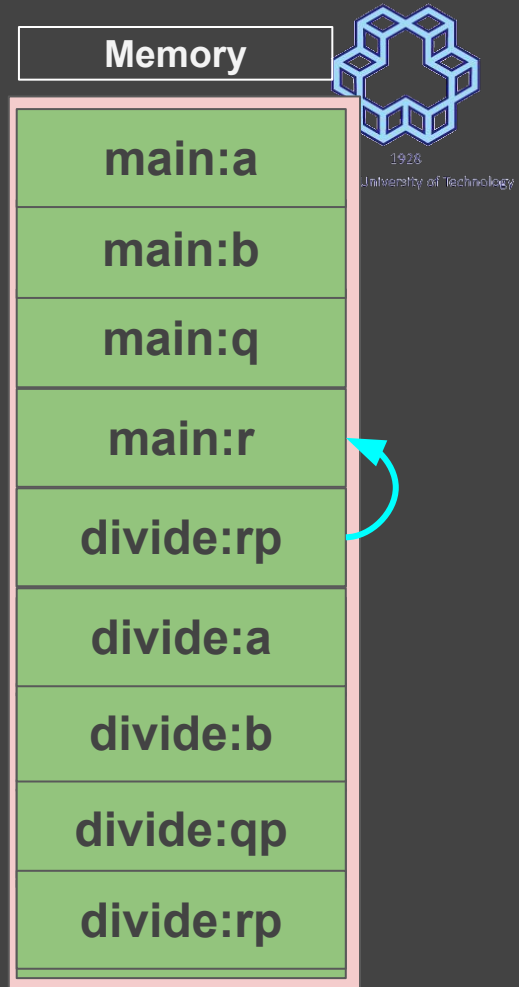
    rp = &r;
    divide(a,b,&q,rp);

    printf("%d = %d * %d + %d\n", a, q, b, r);
    printf("rp = %lu\n", rp);

    return 0;
}

void divide(int a, int b, int *qp, int *rp) {
    *qp = a / b;
    *rp = a % b;
    rp = &a;

    printf("rp = %lu\n", rp);
}
```



Arguments are still by-value

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int main() {
    int a,b,q,r;
    int *rp;

    scanf("%d %d", &a, &b);

    rp = &r;
    divide(a,b,&q,rp);

    printf("%d = %d * %d + %d\n", a, q, b, r);
    printf("rp = %lu\n", rp);

    return 0;
}

void divide(int a, int b, int *qp, int *rp) {
    *qp = a / b;
    *rp = a % b;
    rp = &a;

    printf("rp = %lu\n", rp);
}
```

Memory

main:a

main:b

main:q

main:r

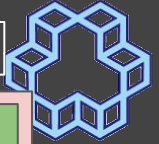
divide:rp

divide:a

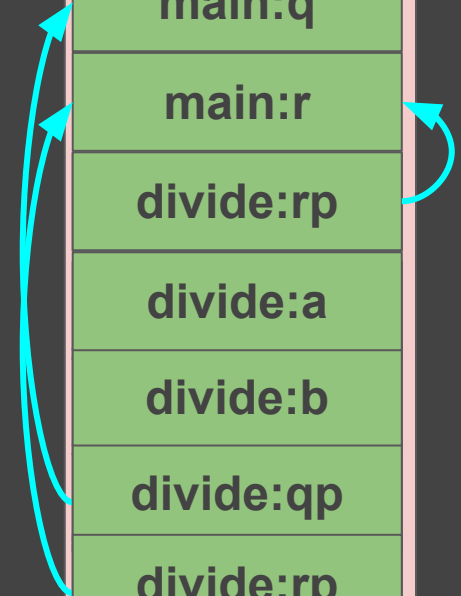
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divide:qp

divide:rp

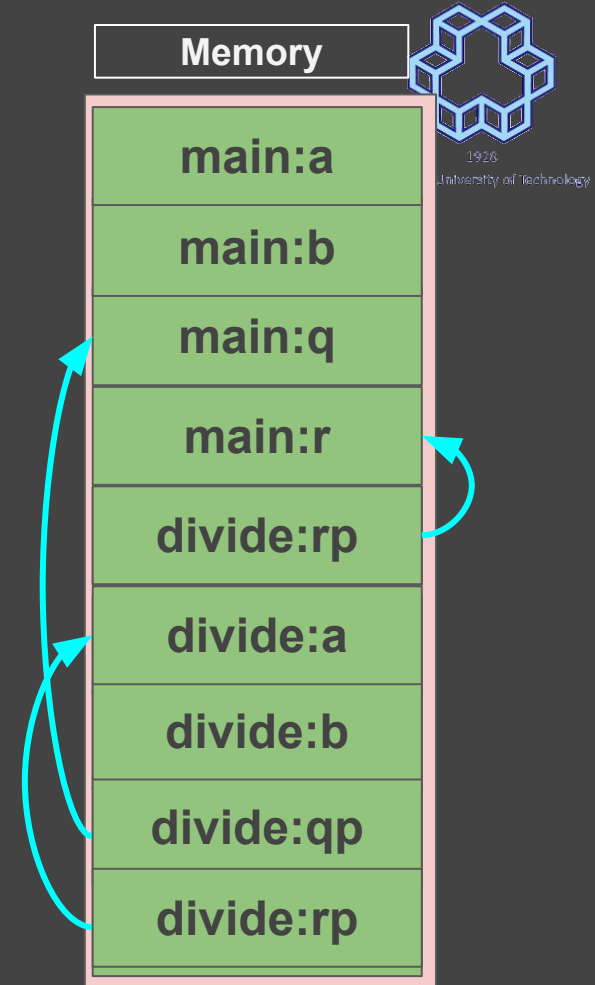


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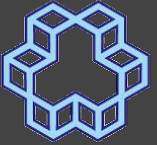
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    int *rp;  
  
    scanf("%d %d", &a, &b);  
  
    rp = &r;  
    divide(a,b,&q,rp);  
  
    printf("%d = %d * %d + %d\n", a, q, b, r);  
    printf("rp = %lu\n", rp);  
  
    return 0;  
}  
  
void divide(int a, int b, int *qp, int *rp) {  
    *qp = a / b;  
    *rp = a % b;  
    rp = &a;  
  
    printf("rp = %lu\n", rp);  
}
```



use %p to print addresses

```
int main() {  
    int a,b,q,r;  
    int *rp;  
  
    scanf("%d %d", &a, &b);  
  
    rp = &r;  
    divide(a,b,&q,rp);  
  
    printf("%d = %d * %d + %d\n", a, q, b, r);  
    printf("rp = %p\n", rp);  
  
    return 0;  
}  
  
void divide(int a, int b, int *qp, int *rp) {  
    *qp = a / b;  
    *rp = a % b;  
    rp = &a;  
  
    printf("rp = %p\n", rp);  
}
```



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Example: Swapping

```
#include <stdio.h>

void swap(double *p, double *q);

int main() {
    double x,y;

    scanf("%lf %lf", &x, &y);

    printf("x=%.1f, y=%.1f\n", x, y);

    swap(&x,&y);

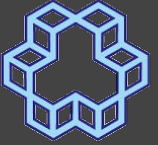
    printf("x=%.1f, y=%.1f\n", x, y);

    return 0;
}
```

```
void swap(double *p, double *q) {
    double temp;
    temp = *p;
    *p = *q;
    *q = temp;
}
```

pointerfunc5_swap.c

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```
#include <stdio.h>

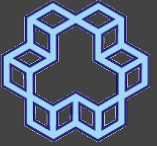
int main() {
    int a=0, b=1;

    int *p = &a;

    p = &b;

    printf("%d\n", *p);
}
```

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```
#include <stdio.h>

int main() {
    int a=0, b=1;

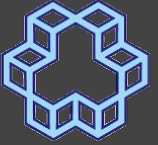
    int *p = &a;

    p = &b;

    printf("%d\n", *p);
}
```

```
nasihatkon@kntu:code$ gcc pointerconst1.c && ./a.out
1
nasihatkon@kntu:code$
```

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```
#include <stdio.h>

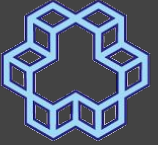
int main() {
    int a=0, b=1;

    const int *p = &a;

    p = &b;

    printf("%d\n", *p);
}
```


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```
#include <stdio.h>

int main() {
    int a=0, b=1;

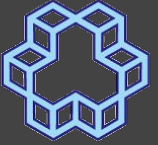
    const int *p = &a;

    p = &b;

    printf("%d\n", *p);
}
```

```
nasihatkon@kntu:code$ gcc pointerconst2.c && ./a.out
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nasihatkon@kntu:code$
```

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```
#include <stdio.h>

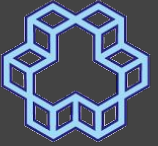
int main() {
    int a=0, b=1;

    const int *p = &a;

    *p = 2;

    printf("%d\n", *p);
}
```

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```
#include <stdio.h>

void #include <stdio.h>

int main() {
    int a=0, b=1;

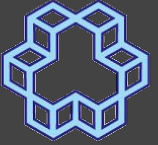
    const int *p = &a;

    *p = 2;

    printf("%d\n", *p);
}
```

```
nasihatkon@kntu:code$ gcc pointerconst3.c && ./a.out
pointerconst3.c: In function 'main':
pointerconst3.c:12:6: error: assignment of read-only location '*p'
    *p = 2;
    ^
nasihatkon@kntu:code$
```

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```
#include <stdio.h>

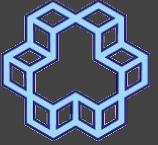
int main() {
    int a=0, b=1;

    int * const p = &a;

    *p = 2;

    printf("%d\n", *p);
}
```

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#include <stdio.h>

int main() {
    int a=0, b=1;

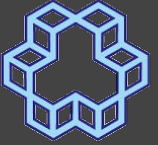
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```
nasihatkon@kntu:code$ gcc pointerconst4.c && ./a.out
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nasihatkon@kntu:code$ █
```

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```
#include <stdio.h>

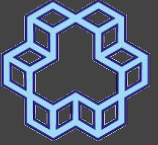
void swap(double *, double *);

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    int a=0, b=1;

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void swap(double *, double *);

int main() {
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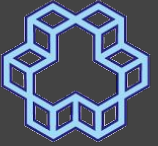
    int * const p = &a;

    p = &b;

    printf("%d\n", *p);
}
```

```
nasihatkon@kntu:code$ gcc pointerconst5.c && ./a.out
pointerconst5.c: In function 'main':
pointerconst5.c:10:5: error: assignment of read-only variable 'p'
    p = &b;
    ^
```

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```
#include <stdio.h>

int main() {
    int a=0, b=1;

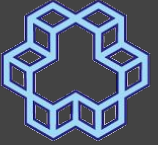
    const int * const p = &a;

    *p = 2;

    p = &b;

    printf("%d\n", *p);
}
```


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same thing

```
const int *p1 = &a;  
int const *p2 = &a;  
int * const p3 = &a;
```