

System Programming with C++

`initializer_list<T>`, smart pointers



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So, logic of constructor is different?

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inside you can use it as a
usual **sequence container**

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`// Vector with cap_ = 16 and one element which one is 4 is created`

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So, when we are talking about classes with `initializer_list` constructors, the good idea is to use `(...)` not `{...}` for **other** constructors.

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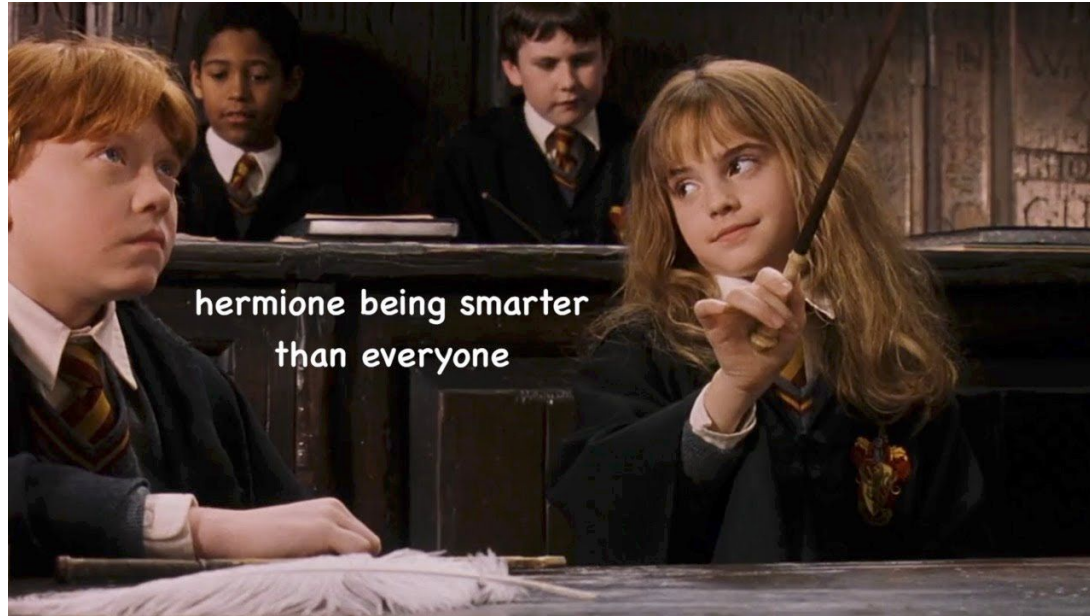
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But let's stay in the world of unicorns.

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- **Memory leaks**



RAII

What's wrong
with this code?

```
struct Triple { int x; int y; int z; };

int baz() {
    Triple* t = new Triple{13, 42, 1};
    int val = bar();  What if bar throws an exception? Memory leak!
    if (val > 13) {
        delete t;  copy-paste
        return 0;
    }
    // ... some code that uses t ...
    int result = val + t->x + t->z;
    delete t;  copy-paste
    return result;
}
```

```

template<typename T>
class ScopedPointer {
    T* pointer;

public:
    ScopedPointer(T* raw): pointer(raw) { }
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    ScopedPointer(ScopedPointer&& other) { ... }
    ~ScopedPointer() { delete pointer; }
    ...
};

int foo() {
    ScopedPointer sp{new Triple{13, 42, 1}};
    if (...) {
        throw "oops";
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}

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One of the variants
from your NSTT #5.

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← destructor is called,
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} ←———— double free
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1. **Unique** pointer is for **unique** ownership!
2. If we keep working with **raw** pointers it is **dangerous**.



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But what if I want to pass it as a param to other function?

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template <typename T>  
void print(std::unique_ptr<T> ptr) {  
    std::cout << *ptr << std::endl;  
}
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Compilation
error, no copy
constructor!

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    print(std::move(ptr));  
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double free!

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During print the argument had ownership over memory, but it died at the end of the scope.

← UB



← double free!

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This will work, but having a pointer or reference to unique_pointer is straight way to hell and **dangling pointers** or refs. Avoid it.

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But too verbose and inconvenient. We will find a better way.

deleters

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What about arrays?

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deleters

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deleters

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`delete[]` triples => 10 destructors of elements

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`delete` triples => UB (most probably segfault)

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Looks like it works differently for arrays and usual pointers.

How to implement?

deleters

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How to implement? Template specialization!

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```

```

template<typename T>
class ScopedPointer<T[]> { ← specialization for T[]
    T* pointer;
public:
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    ~ScopedPointer() { delete[] pointer; }
    ...
};

```


But what to do
with copy-paste?

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    T* pointer;
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public:
    ScopedPointer(T* raw): pointer(raw) { }
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```

```
template<typename T> class default_deleter {  
    void operator() (T* ptr) {  
        delete ptr;  
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It also means, that you can specify your own deleters!

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deleters

```
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        std::cout << "I love memory leaks!" << std::endl;  
    };  
  
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deleters

It allows you to use `unique_pointers` not only for memory, but for any custom **resource** that need to be externally closed.

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template <typename T>
class Tree {
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        Node* left, right;
        T data;
    };
    Node* root;

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        free_subtree(node->left);
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public:
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But how to replace pointers with **smart pointers** here?

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We need to somehow **share** ownership!

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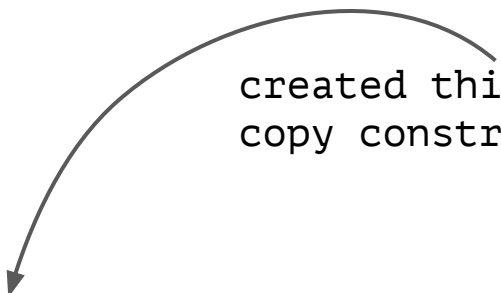
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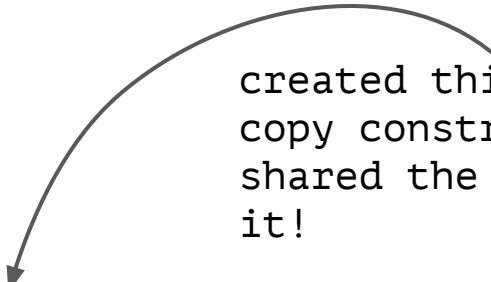
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Doesn't it look familiar to you?

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This is absolutely **reference counting** memory management!

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        // nothing to do!
        // everything will be done in destructor!
    }

public:
    ~Tree() {
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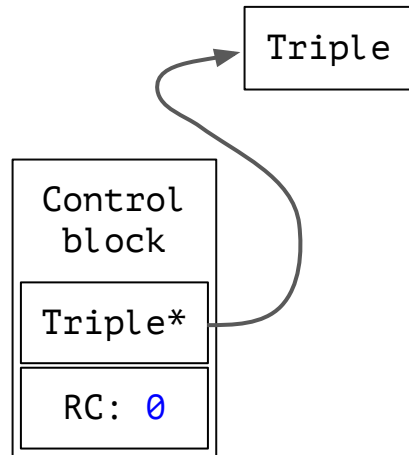
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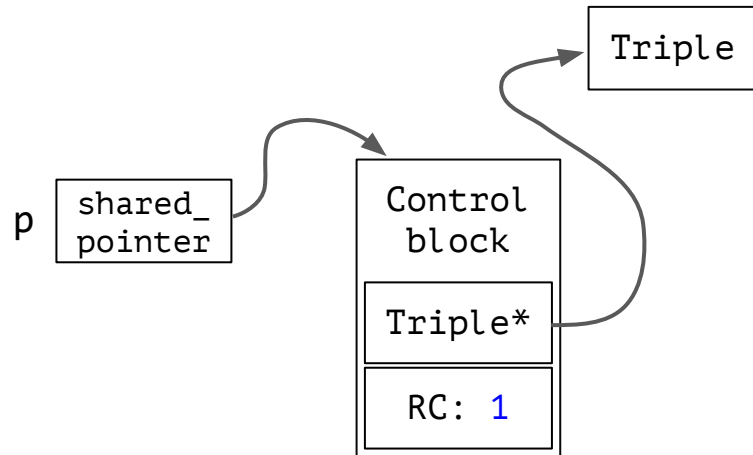


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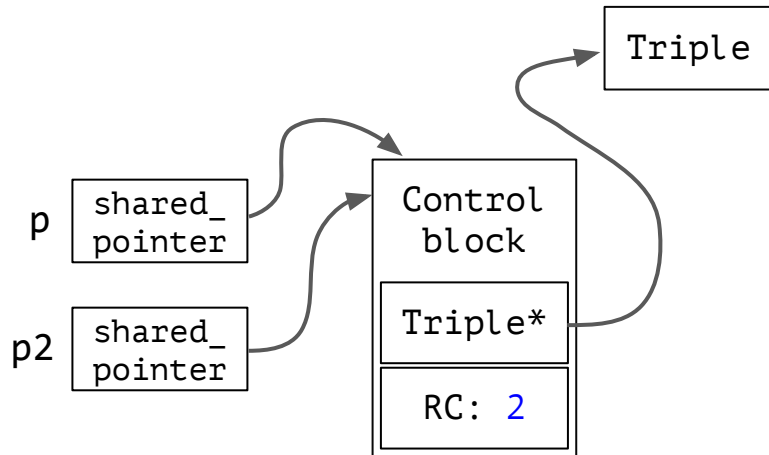


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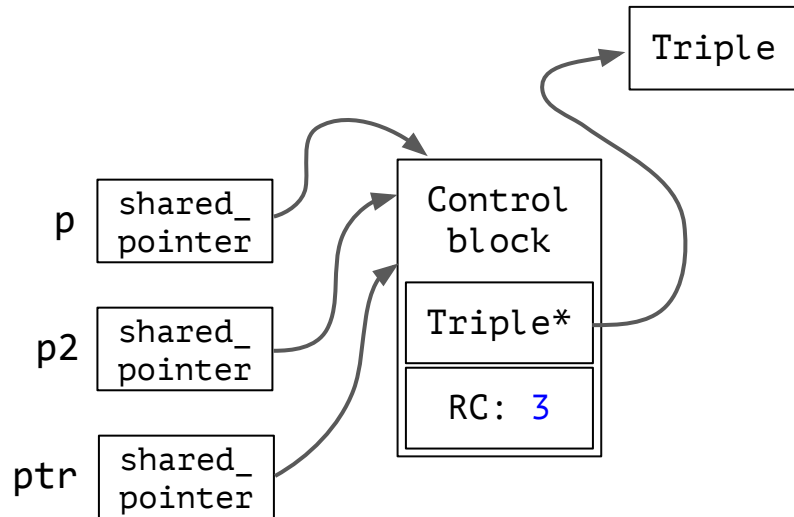


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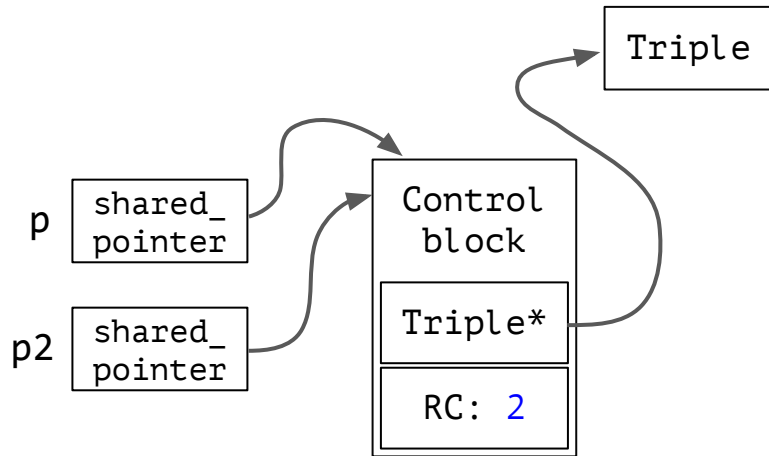


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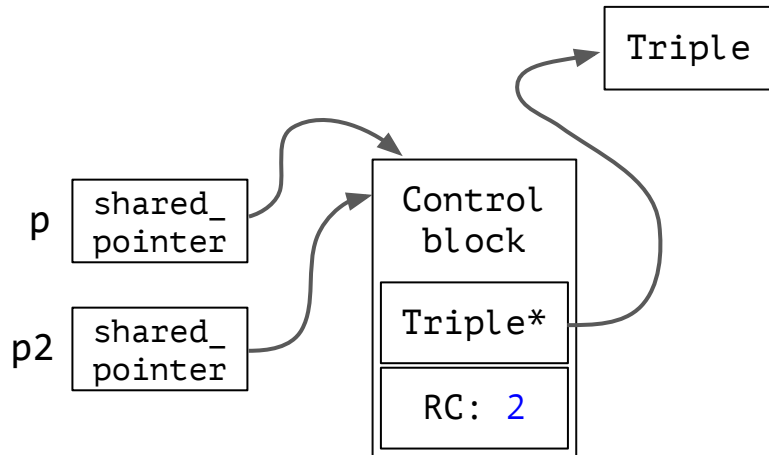


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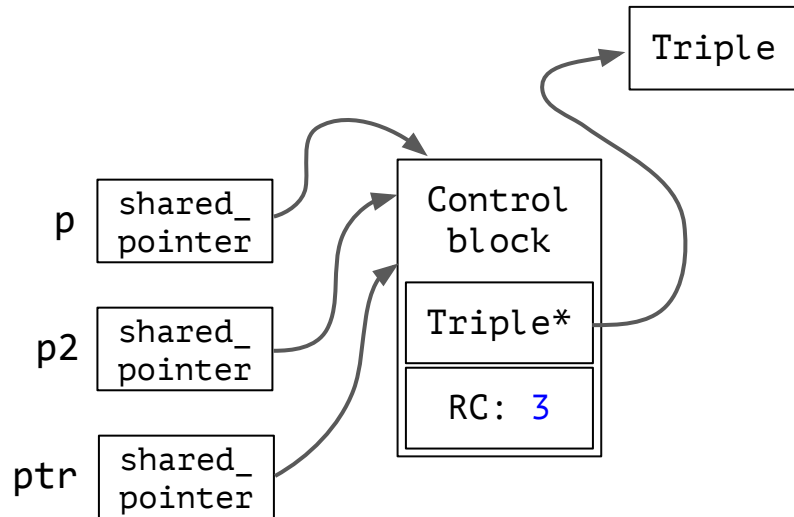


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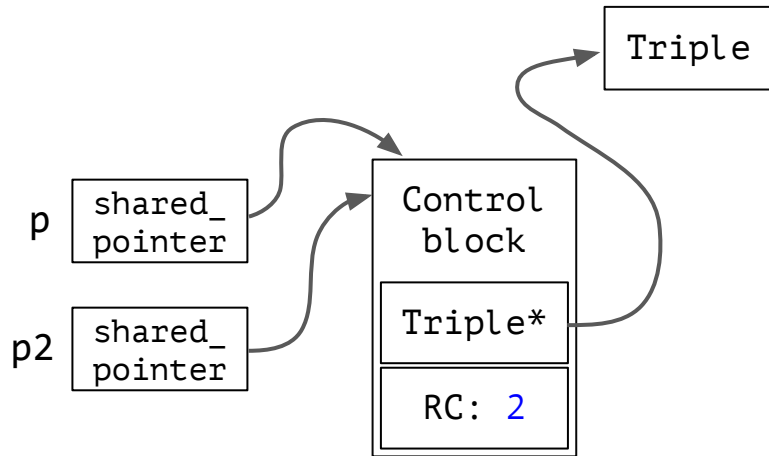


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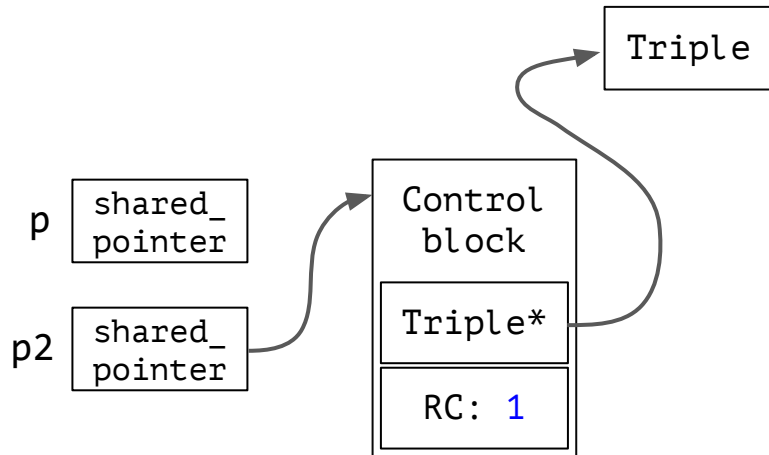


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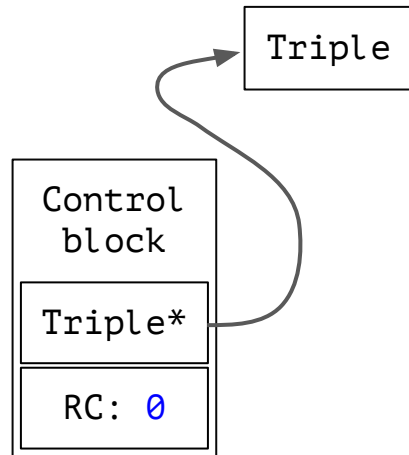


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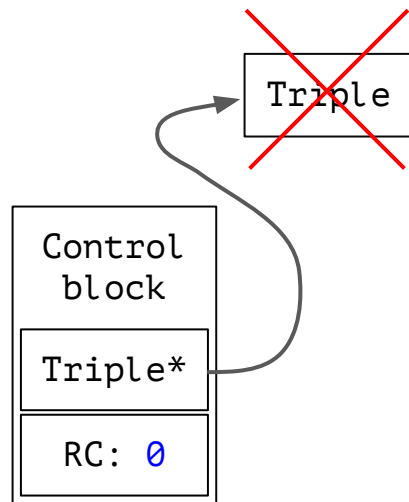


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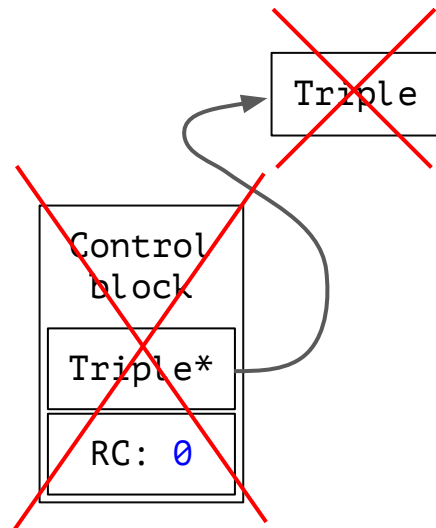


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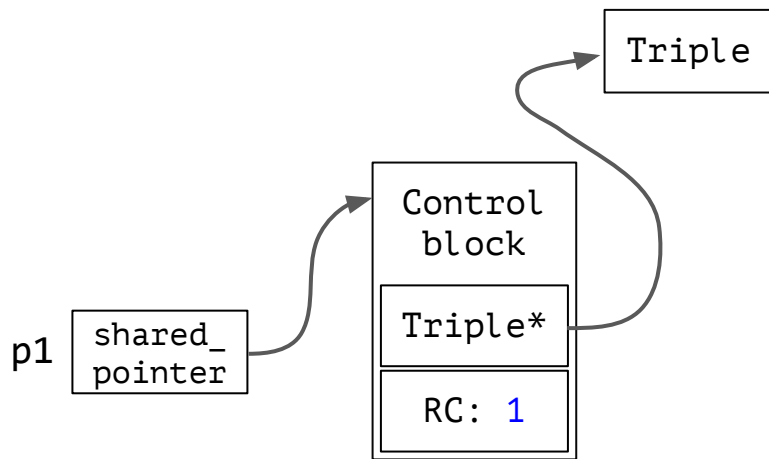
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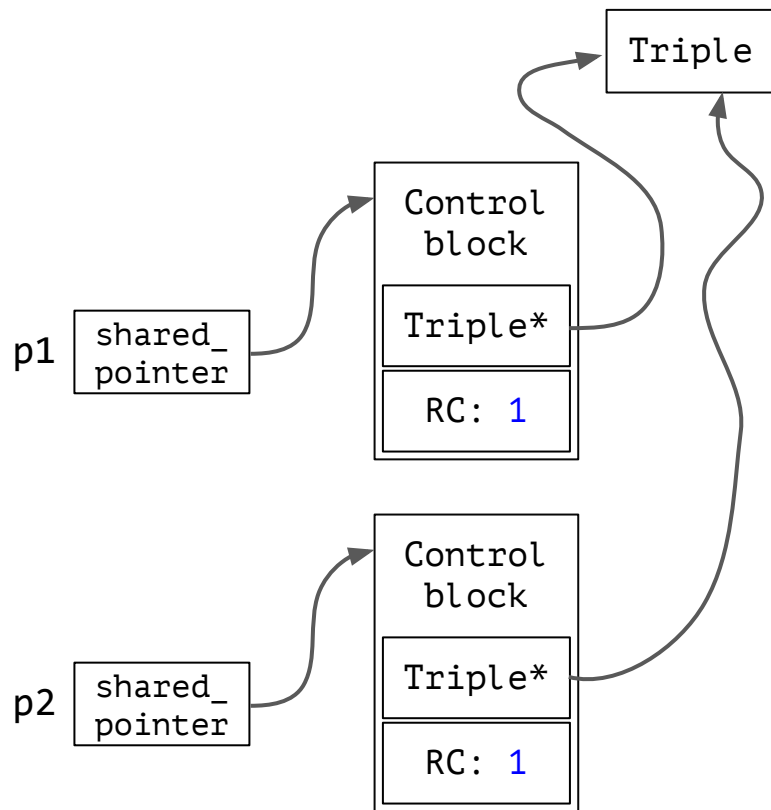
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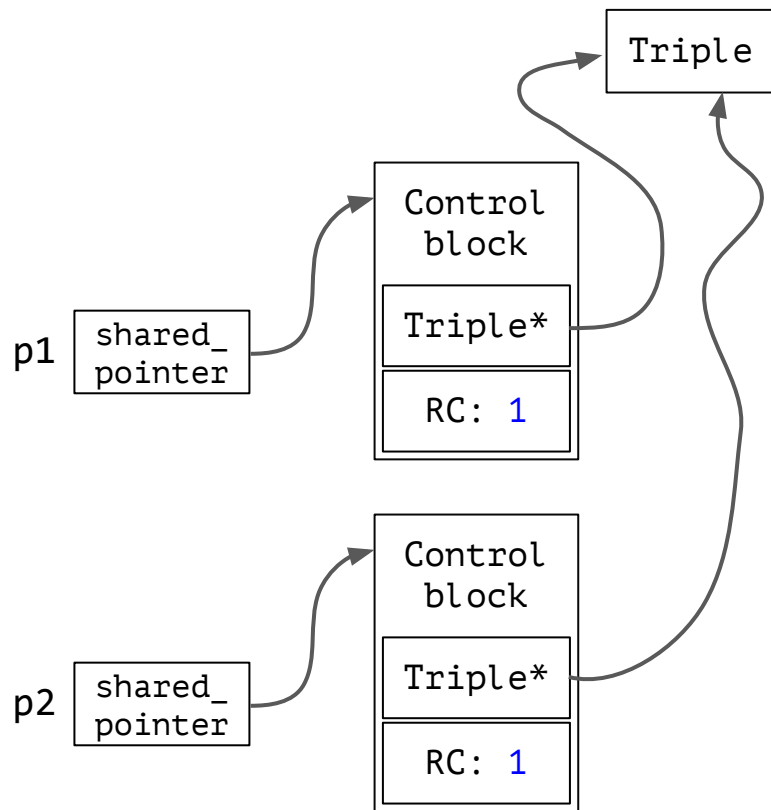
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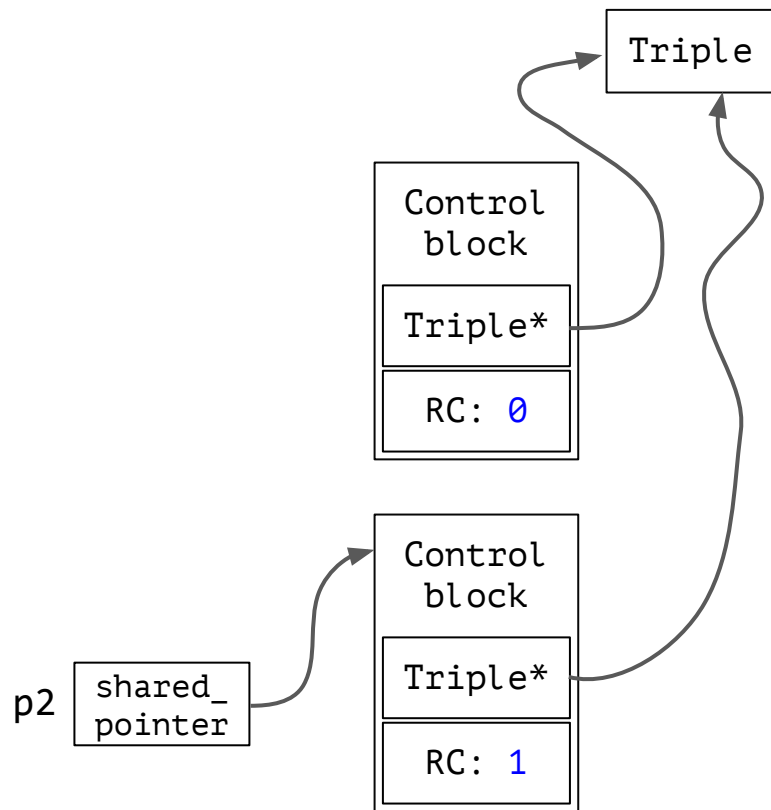
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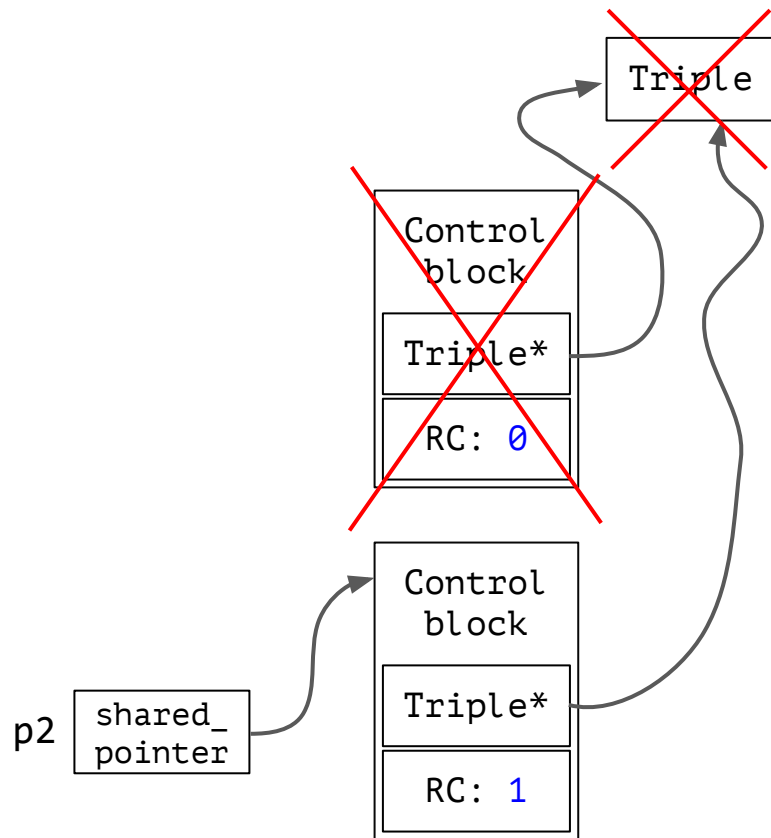
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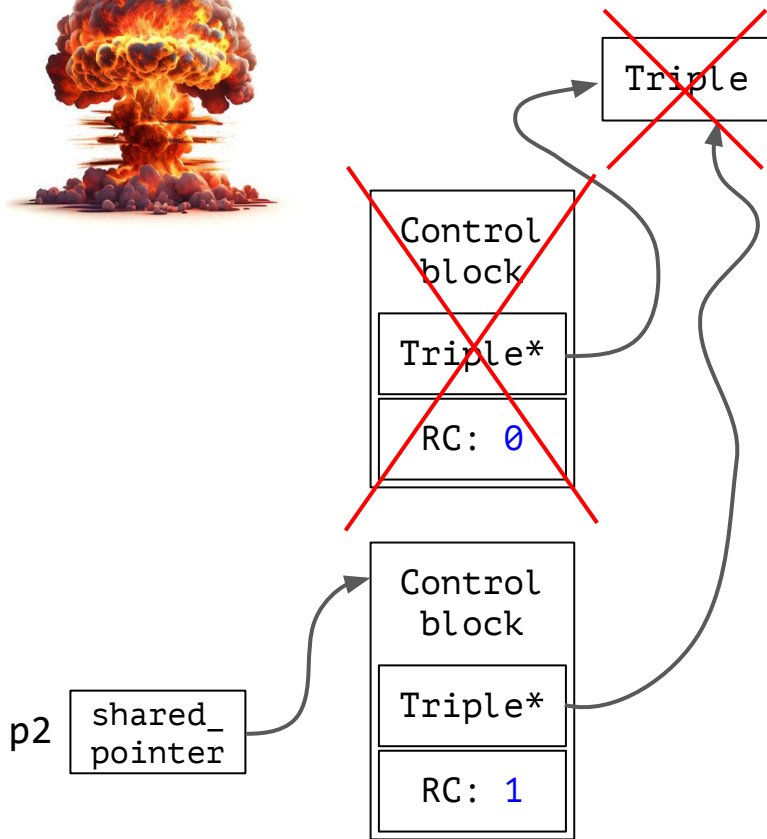


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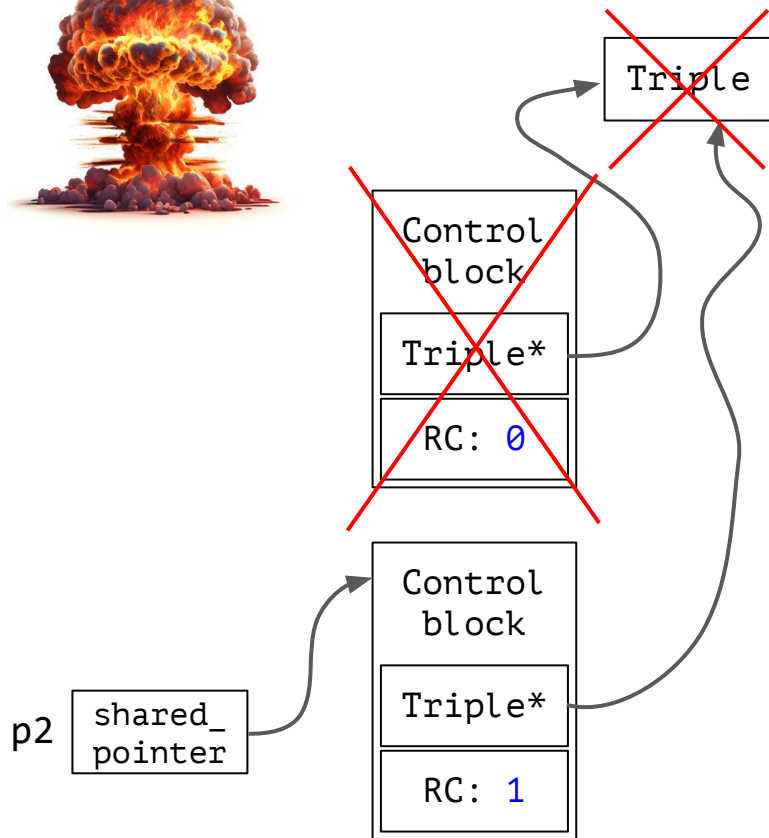


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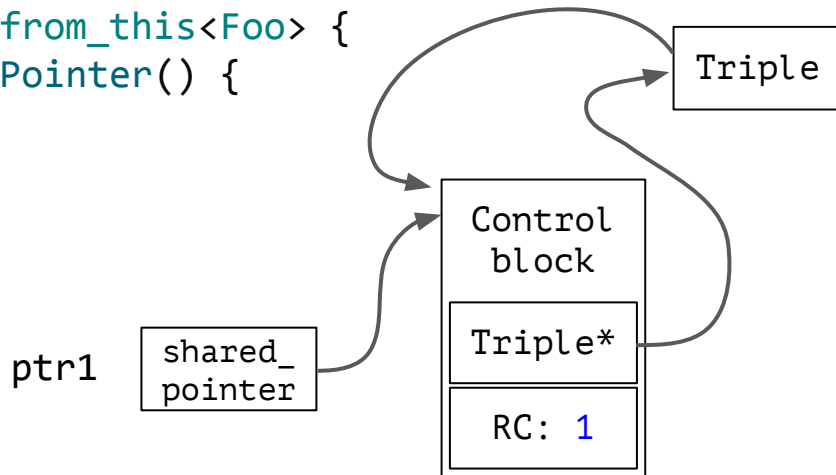
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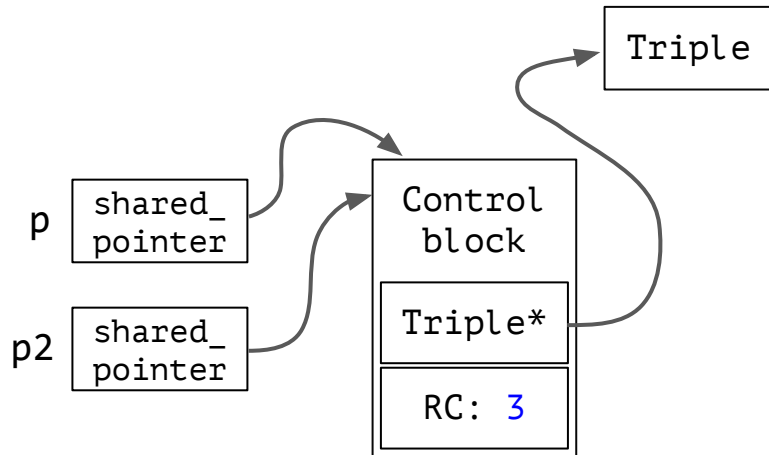
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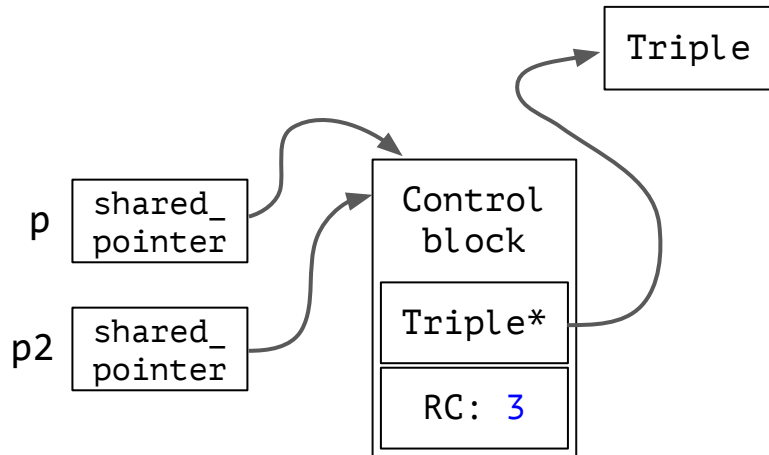


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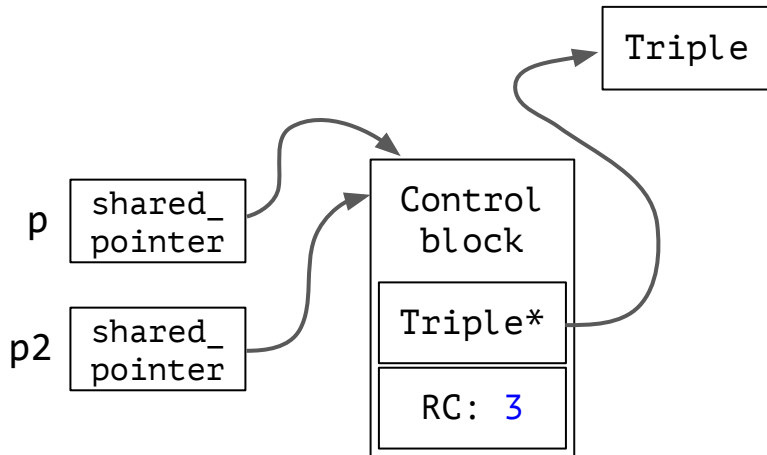
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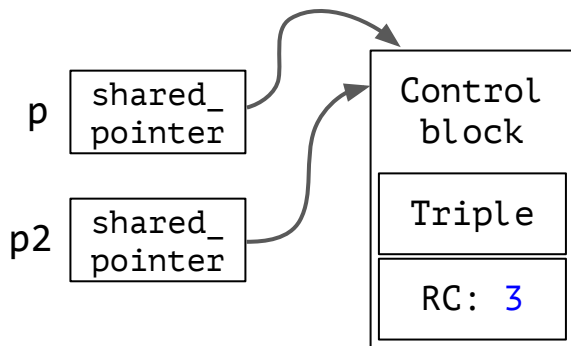
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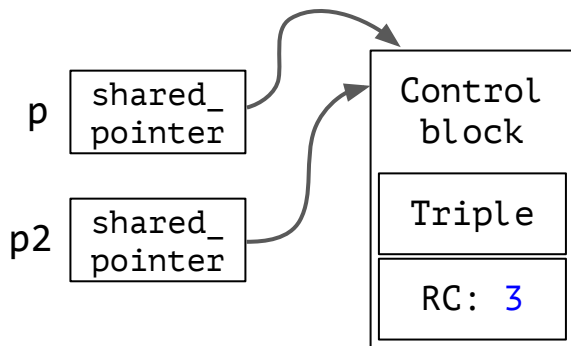
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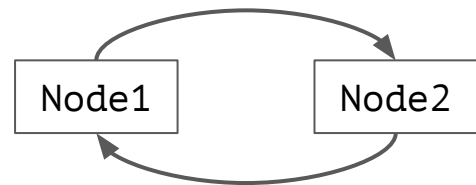
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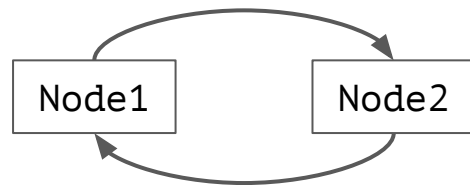
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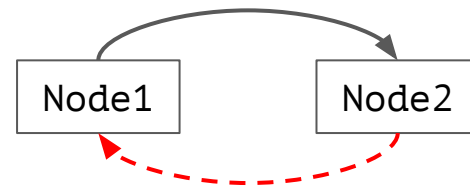
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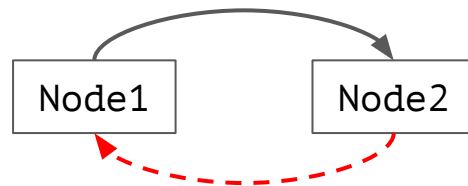
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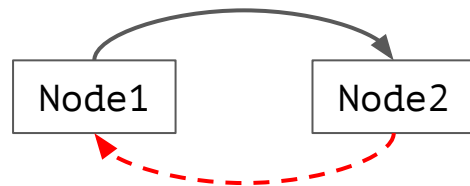
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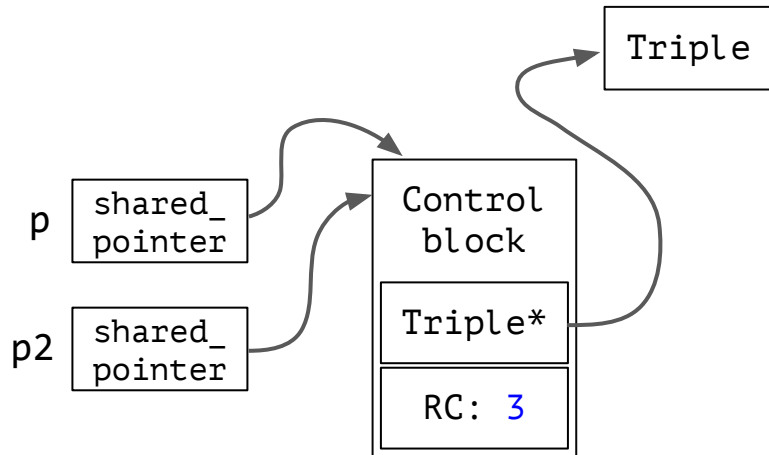
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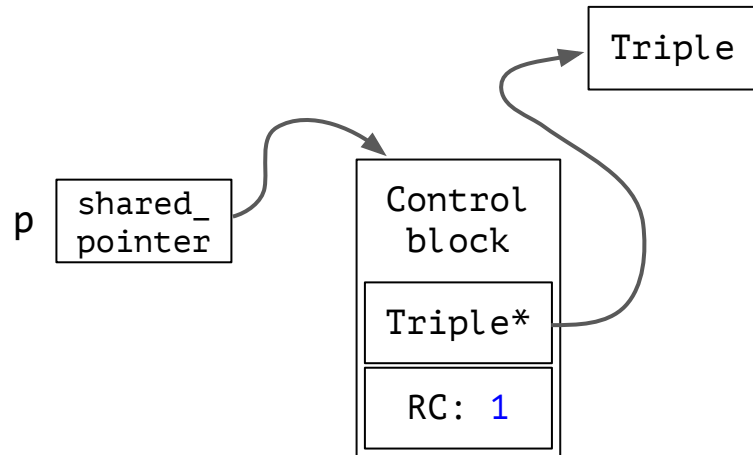


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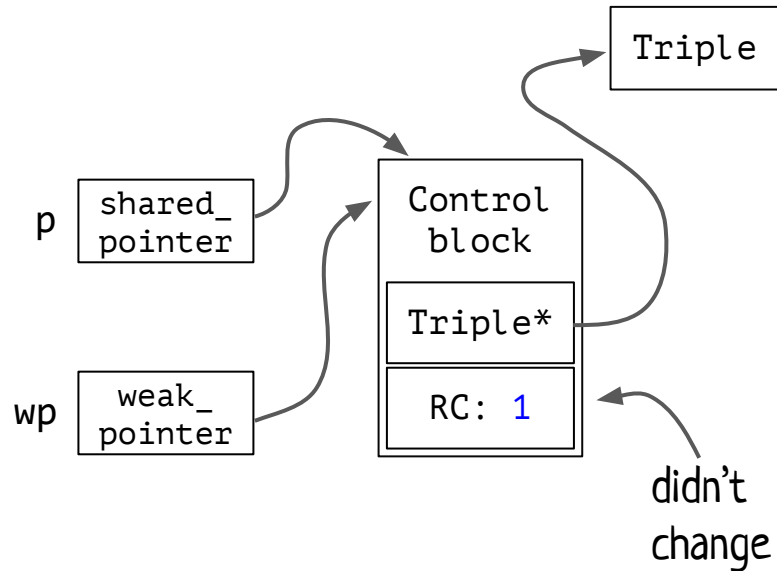
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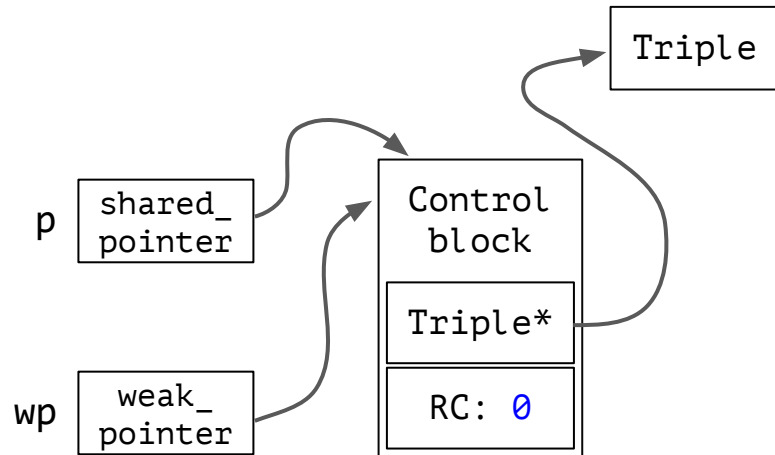


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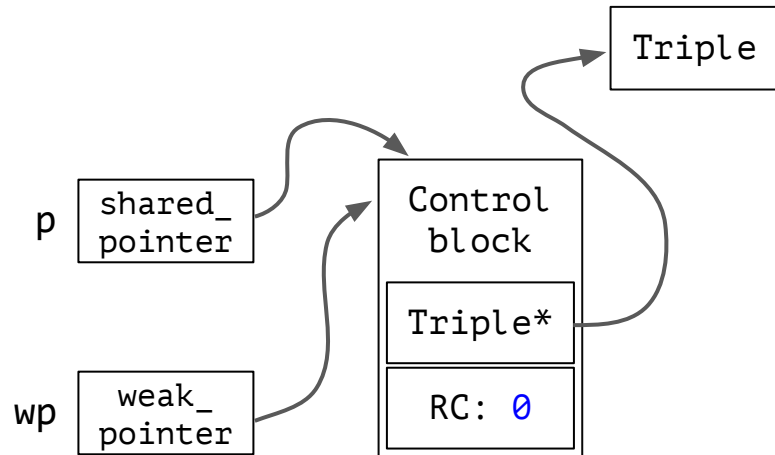


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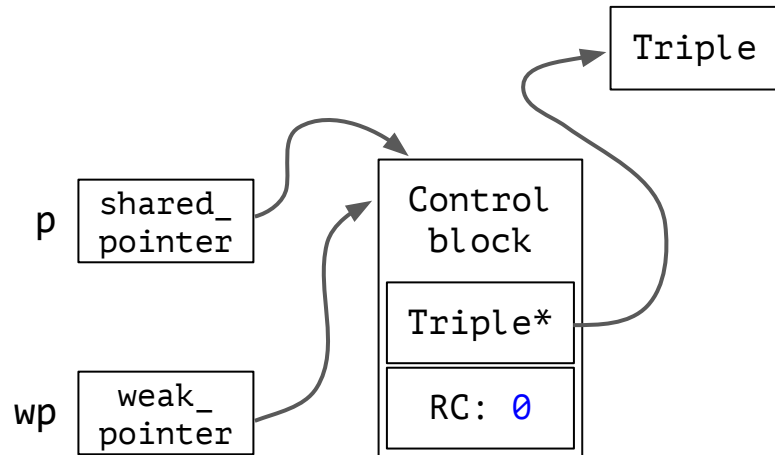
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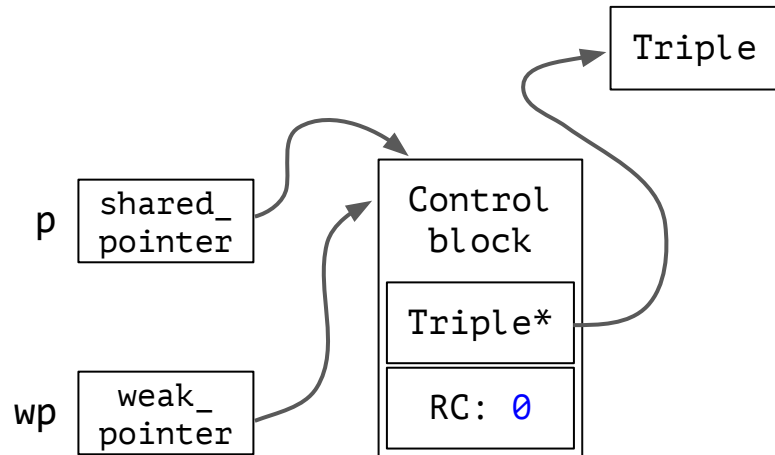
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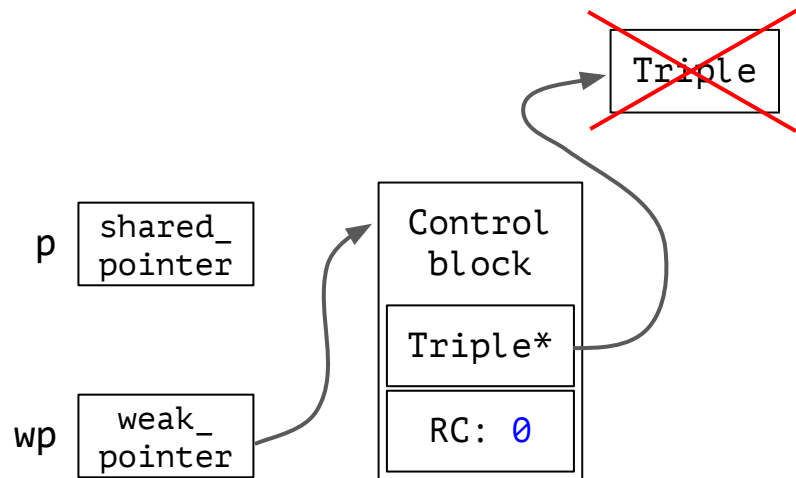
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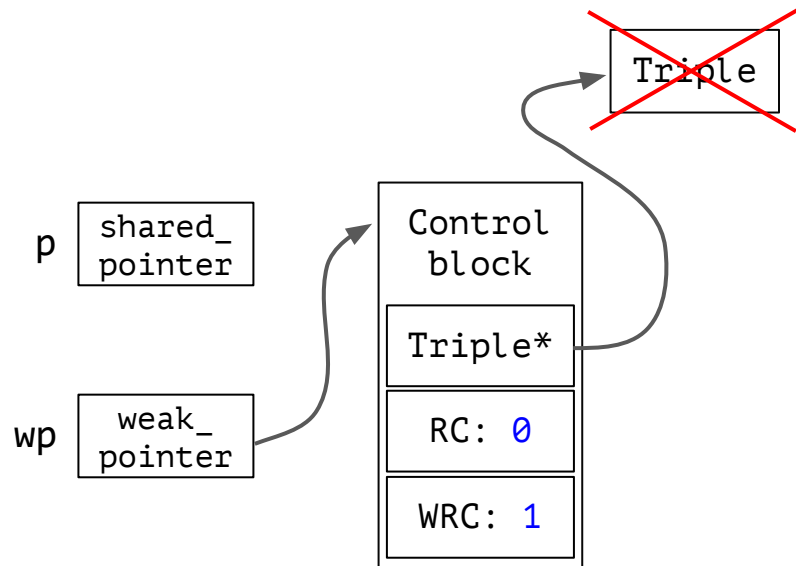


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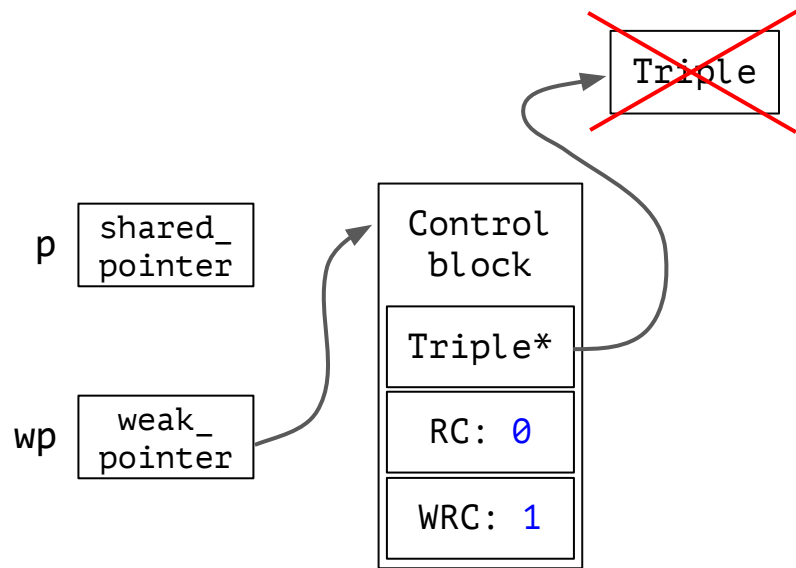


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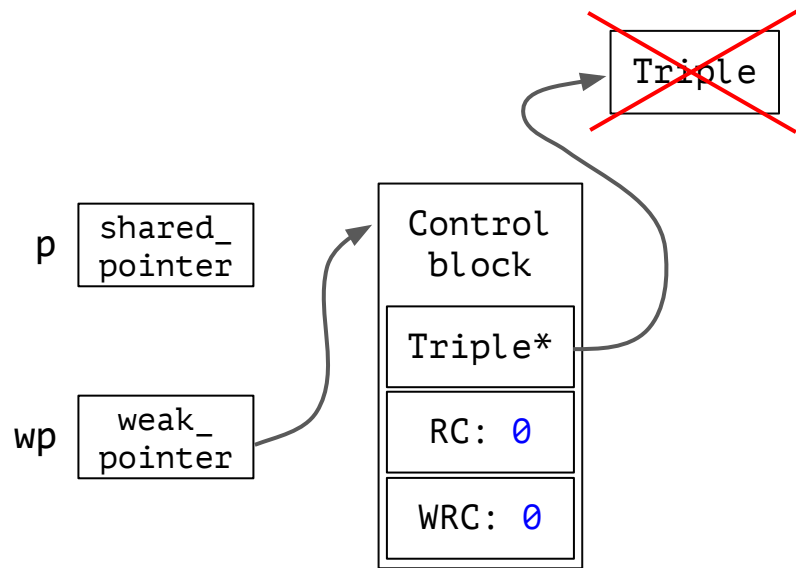
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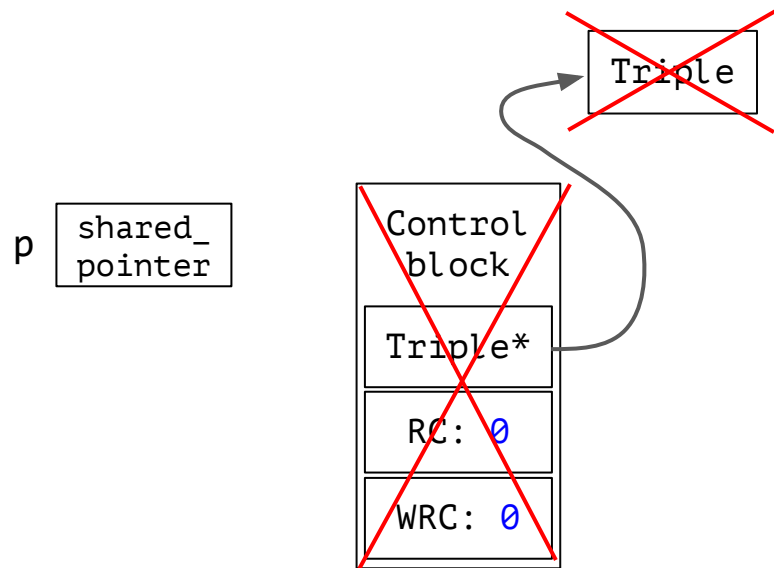
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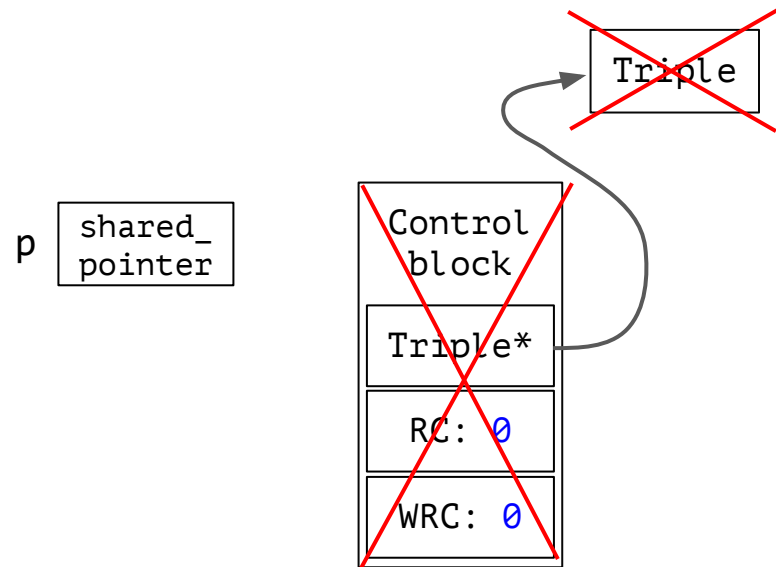
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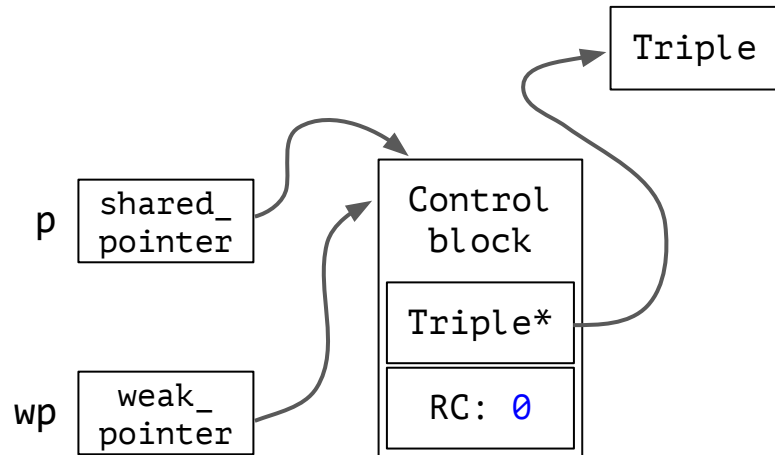
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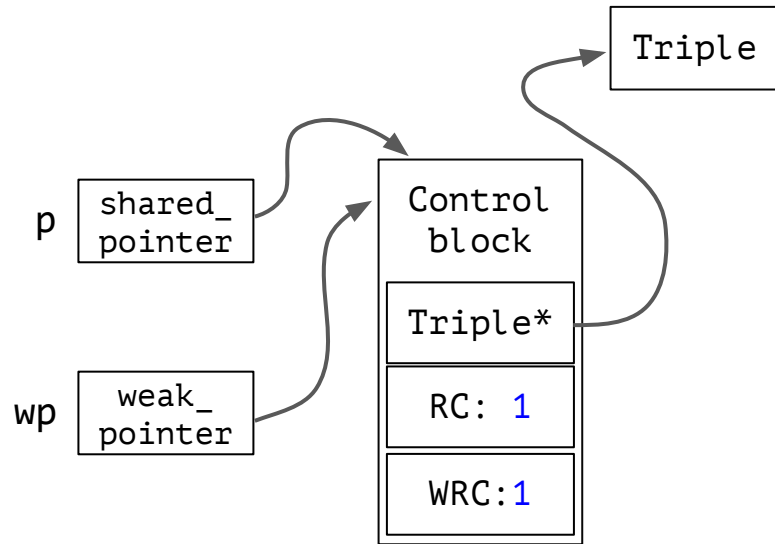
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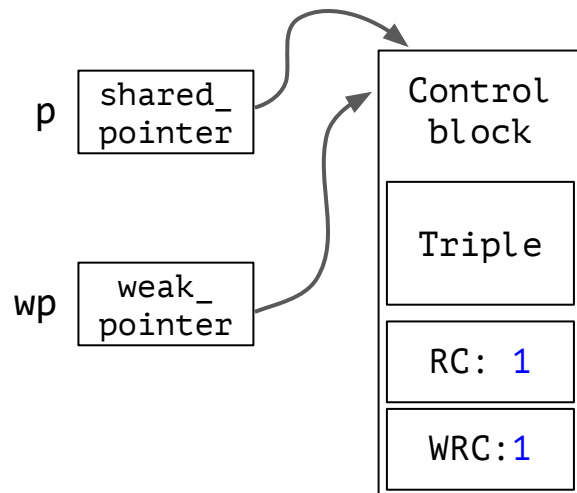


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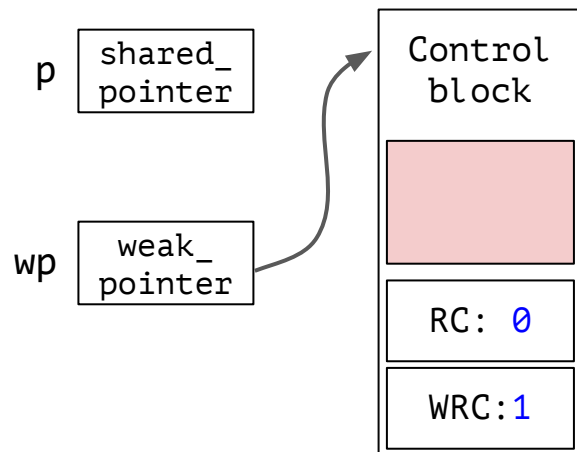


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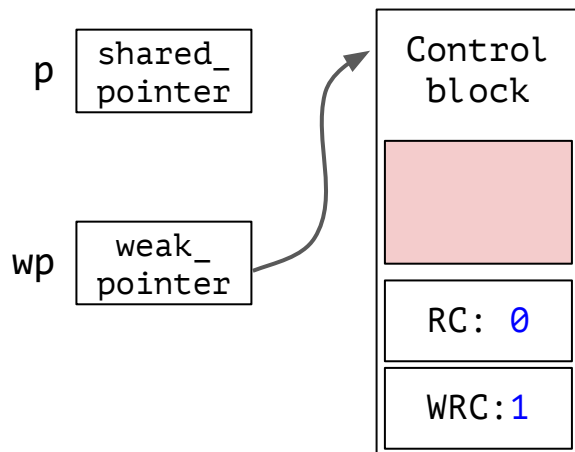
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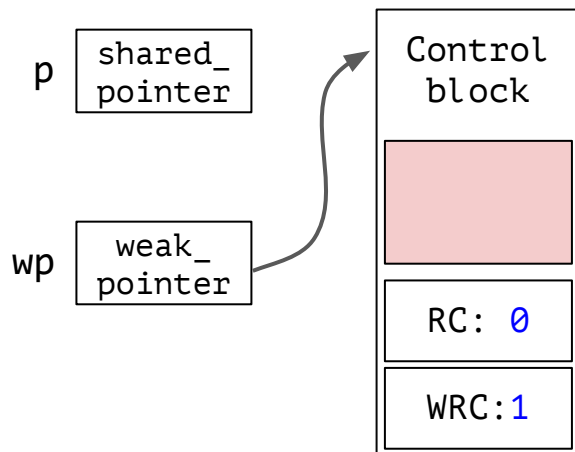
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