

ICE pointer usage and syntax.cpp

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1 //=====
2 // Name      : ICE pointer usage and syntax
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6 // Description : Hello World in C++, Ansi-style
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9 #include <iostream>
10 using namespace std;
11
12 int main() {
13     int* r,rr,rrr,rrrr; // only r is a pointer
14     int * q,*qq,*qqq,*qqqq; //all pointers
15
16     int a;
17     int* aptr;
18     a = 2;
19     aptr = &a;
20     int b;
21 // b = aptr;           // error - illegal conversion
22 // b = &aptr;          // also illegal b isn't a pointer
23     b = *aptr;
24     cout << b << endl;
25     cout << "aptr = " << aptr << endl;
26     aptr=aptr+4;        // legal but questionable? Adds 16 (10 in hex) - 16 is the
27                        // length of 4 integers
28     cout << "aptr = " << aptr << endl;
29
30     int* myintpointer;           // pointer variable
31     myintpointer=&a;             // point it at a
32     cout << myintpointer << endl; // contents of the pointer - it points to a
33     cout << *myintpointer << endl; // contents of whatever the pointer variable
34                                   // points to - right now, that integer is
35                                   // uninitialized but that doesn't prevent us
36                                   // from displaying it
37
38     myintpointer = myintpointer + 1; // increments myintpointer by index 1, actual 4 (int
length)
39                                   // adds index 1 (4) to myintpointer - now points to the
field
40                                   // following a in memory. we told compiler
myintpointer is a
41                                   // pointer to an int so it acts accordingly
42                                   // how can i add a real 4 to pointer?? Can't.
Compiler
43                                   // enforces type, and it knows that 4 by itself is just
a
44                                   // numeric literal, not an address
45
46     cout << myintpointer << endl; // i can display the new contents of the pointer
47     cout << *myintpointer << endl; // and also display the contents of whatever it points
at
48
49     myintpointer++;               // same as myintpointer=myintpointer+1
50     cout << myintpointer << endl;
51     cout << *myintpointer << endl;

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52
53  myintptr--;                // point it back at a...needs two decrements since we
    did
54  myintptr--;                // two increments
55  cout << myintptr << endl;
56
57  *myintptr++;              // danger - this also adds index 1 (4) to myintptr.
58                               // has to do with the bind characteristics of the
59                               // ++ and -- operators. one would think that this
    would
60                               // increment the contents of whatever the pointer
    points to,
61                               // but it doesn't
62  cout << myintptr << endl;
63  cout << *myintptr << endl;
64
65  *myintptr--;              // point it back at a
66  *myintptr = *myintptr + 1; // a started at 2 from line 18, now it should now be 3
67  cout << myintptr << endl;
68  cout << *myintptr << endl;
69
70  (*myintptr)++;              // adds 1 to a; should now be 4. parens override
    default ++ bind.
71  cout << *myintptr << endl; // should be 4 now
72
73  return 0;
74 }
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Sample output:

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2
0x62fe08
6487560
0x62fe0c
0
0x62fe04
0x62fe08
6487560
0x62fe04
3
4
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