C/C++ Program Design

LAB 4

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2.1 Pointers

Pointer is a special type who holds the address of value.

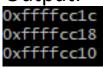
```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;

int main()

{
   int var1 = 3;
   float var2 = 24.8f;
   double var3 = 23.42;
   var1 is a variable, &var1 gives its address.

cout << &var1 << end1;
   cout << &var2 << end1;
   cout << &var3 << end1;
   return 0;
}</pre>
```

Output:



The Ox in the beginning represents the address in hexadecimal form.

```
#include <iostream>
 using namespace std;
 int main()
見{
      /* This pointer p can hold the address of an integer
       * variable, here p is a pointer and var is just a
       * simple integer variable.
                         Declare a pointer
       int *p, var;
       /* This is how you assign the address the address of another
        * variable to the pointer.
        p = &var:
                            Assign the pointer
        // This will print the address of variable var
        cout << &var:
        /* This will also print the address of variable var
         * because the pointer p holds the address of var
                                Use the pointer to access the address
         cout << p;
         /* This will print the value of var. This is how we
          * access the value of variable through a pointer.
                                  Use the *pointer to access the value
         cout << *p;
                                                                     0x7fffa0757dd4
         return 0;
                                                                                      Address of pointer variable p
                                                                          Var
                                                                                      Value of variable var (*p )
                                                                       0x7fffa0757dd4 4
                                                                                     Address of variable var (Stored at p )
```

```
pointer.cpp > ...
                                                                                                        int *pc, c;
                                                                                                                                  &c = 0xffffcc14
    #include <iostream>
                                                                                                                                  c = 5
    using namespace std;
                                                                                                                                  pc = 0xffffcc14
                                                                                                       pc = &c:
    int main()
                                                                                                                                   *pc = 5
         int *pc, c;
                                                                                                                                   pc = 0xffffcc14
                                                                                                                          .fcc14
                                                                                                       c = 11;
         c = 5;
         cout << "Address of c (&c): " << &c << end1;
         cout << "Value of c (c): " << << endl << endl;</pre>
                                                                                                                                   &c = 0xffffcc14
                                                                                                        *pc = 2;
         pc = &c;
         cout << "Address that pointer pc holds (pc) " << pc << endl;
         cout << "Content of the address pointer pc holds (*pc) " << *pc <= endl << endl;</pre>
         c = 11;
         cout << "Address that pointer pc holds (pc) " << pc << endl;
         cout << "Content of the address pointer pc holds (*pc) " << *pc << endl << endl;</pre>
         *pc = 2;
         cout << "Address of c (&c): " << &c << endl;</pre>
         cout << "Value of c (c): " << c << endl << endl;</pre>
         return 0;
```

```
Address of c (&c): 0xffffcc14
Value of c (c): 5

Address that pointer pc holds (pc) 0xffffcc14
Content of the address pointer pc holds (*pc) 5

Address that pointer pc holds (pc) 0xffffcc14
Content of the address pointer pc holds (*pc) 11

Address of c (&c): 0xffffcc14
Value of c (c): 2
```

Note:

- 1. Reference operator(&) gives the address of a variable.
- 2. Dereference operator(*) gets the value stored in the memory address.
- 3. The (*) sign used the declaration of pointer is not the dereference pointer. It is just a similar notation that creates a pointer.

Common mistakes when working with pointers:

```
int c, *pc;
pc = c;  //Wrong! pc is address whereas c is not an address.
*pc = &c; // Wrong! *pc is the value pointed by address whereas &c is an address.
pc = &c; // Correct! pc is an address and &c is also an address.
*pc = c; // Correct! *pc is the value pointed by address and c is also a value.
```

Various pointers:

```
double *pd;  // pointer to double
char **ppc;  // pointer to pointer to char
int *ap[15];  // array of 15 pointers to ints
int (*fp)(char *);  // pointer to function taking a char* argument, returns an int
int *f(char *);  // function taking a char* argument, returns a pointer to int
```

Pointers to structure

```
• pointer_structure.cpp > ...
     #include <iostream>
     using namespace std;
     struct Distance
         int feet:
         float inch;
     };
                          Creates a pointer of type structure Distance.
     int main()
         Distance d, *ptr; *
         ptr = &d;
                                       ptr must pointes to the Distance variable.
         cout << "Enter feet: ":</pre>
         cin >> (*ptr).feet;
         cout << "Enter inch: ";
                                   These two ways can both access the members of
         cin >> ptr->inch;
                                       structure, but -> notation is more common.
         cout << "Displaying information:" << endl;</pre>
         cout << "Distance = " << (*ptr).feet << " feet " << ptr->inch << " inches." << endl;</pre>
         return 0;
```

```
Sample output:

Enter feet: 4

Enter inch: 3.5

Displaying information:

Distance = 4 feet 3.5 inches.
```

Note: Since pointer ptr is pointed to variable d in this program, (*ptr).inch ,ptr->inch and d.inch are exact the same.

```
Pointers and array
                                                              Displaying address using array:
                                                              &arr[0] = 006FFCD0
 #include <iostream>
                                                              &arr[1] = 006FFCD4
 using namespace std;
                                                              &arr[2] = 006FFCD8
                                                              &arr[3] = 006FFCDC
                                                              &arr[4] = 006FFCE0
□int main()
                                Access the address of
                                                             Displaying address using pointer:
     float arr[5];
                                                             ptr + 0 = 006FFCD0
    float* ptr;
                                each element by array.
                                                             ptr + 1 = 006FFCD4
                                                             ptr + 2 = 006FFCD8
     cout << "Displaying address using array: "
                                                              ptr + 3 = 006FFCDC
     for (int i = 0; i < 5; i++)
                                                             ptr + 4 = 006FFCE0
         cout << "&arr[" << i << "] = " << &arr[i] << endl;</pre>
                                                             Displaying values of elements using pointer:
                              ptr pointes to the array.
     ptr = arr;
                                                              *(ptr + 0) = 0
     cout << "\nDisplaying address using pointer:" </ endl;</pre>
                                                              *(ptr + 1) = 2
     for (int i = 0; i < 5; i++)
                                                                (ptr + 2) = 4
         cout << "ptr + " << i << " = " << ptr +_i << endl;
                                                               (ptr + 3) = 6
     for (int i = 0; i < 5; i++)
                                                Access the address of each
         arr[i] = i * 2;
                                                    element by pointer.
     cout << "\nDisplaying values of elements using pointer:" << endl;</pre>
     for (int i = 0; i < 5; i++)
         cout << "*(ptr + " << i << ") = " << *(ptr + i) << endl;
     return 0;
                                                    Access the values of
                                                    elements by pointer
```

using * operator.

2.2 Dynamic Memory

2.2.1 C Dynamic Memory

These functions can be found in the **<stdlib.h>** header file.

Sr.No.	Function	Description
1	void *calloc(int num, int size);	This function allocates an array of num elements each of which size in bytes will be size .
2	void free(void *address);	This function releases a block of memory block specified by address.
3	void *malloc(int num);	This function allocates an array of num bytes and leave them uninitialized.
4	void *realloc(void *address, int newsize);	This function re-allocates memory extending it upto newsize .

When you are not in need of memory any more, you should release that memory by calling the function free().

1. Allocating Memory Dynamically

When you declare an array, you must specify the number of the elements. Sometimes you don't know the amount of the elements, you can declare a pointer, and let it point to the memory which allocated dynamically.

```
C allocateMemory.c > ...
     #include <stdio.h>
     #include <stdlib.h>
     #include <string.h>
                               Declare an array with 100 elements.
     int main()
        char name[100];
                                Declare a pointer.
        char *description;
                                       Let the pointer point to the memory.
         strcpy(name, "Zara Ali");
                                                                 You can use calloc(200, sizeof(char)) to
        description = (char *)malloc(200 * sizeof(char));
                                                                 replace malloc function.
        if(description == NULL)
            fprintf(stderr, "Error- unable to allocate required memory.\n");
                      Copy a string to the memory.
         else
            strcpy(description, "Zara Ali is a DPS student in class 10.");
20
         printf("Name = %s\n", name);
        printf("Description: %s\n", description);
24
        free(description);
                                     Release the memory.
26
        return 0;
```

Sample output:

Name = Zara Ali
Description: Zara Ali is a DPS student in class 10.

2. Resizing Memory

You can increase or decrease the size of an allocated memory block by calling the function

realloc().

```
C reallocateMemory.c > ...
     #include <stdio.h>
     #include <stdlib.h>
     #include <string.h>
     int main()
         char name[100];
         char *description;
         strcpy(name, "Zara Ali");
         /* allocate memory dynamically */
         description = (char *)malloc(30 * sizeof(char));
         if(description == NULL)
             fprintf(stderr, "Error- unable to allocate required memory.\n");
         else
             strcpy(description,
                                    Resizing the memory.
         description = (char *)realloc(description,100 * sizeof(char));
         if(description == NULL)
             fprintf(stderr
                                                                  mory.\n");
                               Concatenate the string.
         else
             strcat(description, "She is in class 10.");
         printf("Name = %s\n", name);
         printf("Description: %s\n", description);
         free(description);
                                 Release the memory.
         return 0;
```

Sample output:

Name = Zara Ali Description: Zara Ali is a DPS student.She is in class 10.

2.2.2 C++ Dynamic Memory

1. new and delete Operators

new data-type;

Use **new** operator to allocate memory dynamically for any data-type.

data-type could be any built-in data type including an array or any user defined data types such as structure or class.

delete pointer variable;

Use delete operator to de-allocate memory that was previously allocated by new operator.

```
for newdouble.cpp > ...
    #include <iostream>
    using namespace std;

double *pvalue = NULL;
    pvalue = new double;

*pvalue = new double;

*pvalue = 1294948.98;

cout << "Value of pvalue: " << *pvalue << endl;

delete pvalue;

// Free up the memory

return 0;

for newdoublecapt // Pointer initial with null
// Request memory for the variable
// Store value at all allocated address
// Free up the memory

return 0;
}</pre>
```

Sample out:

Value of pvalue: 1.29495e+06

2. Dynamic Memory Allocation for Arrays

```
double(*pvalue)[4] = NULL;  // Pointer initialized with null
pvalue = new double [3][4];  // Allocate memory for a 3x4 array

delete [] pvalue;  // Delete array pointed to by pvalue
```

OR

```
int **p
p = new int*[3];
for(int i = 0; i < 3; i++)
p[i] = new int[4];</pre>
```

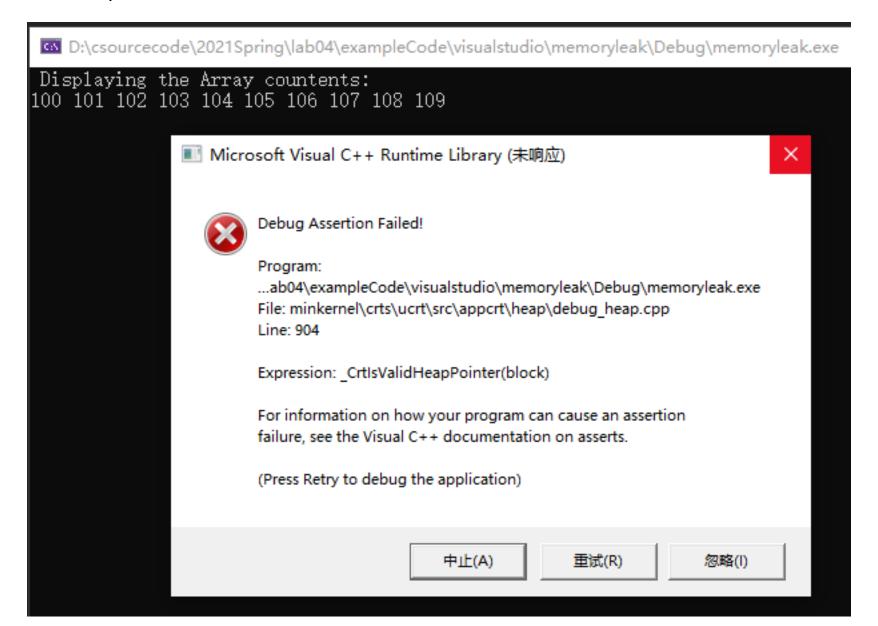
```
for(int i=0;i<3;i++)
   delete [] p[i];
   delete [] p;</pre>
```

```
G newarray.cpp > ...
      #include <iostream>
      using namespace std;
                                         Allocate the memory to store 10 integers, and
      int main()
                                         assign its address to the pointer pArray.
          int * pArray = NULL ,*t;
          pArray = new int [10];
          if ( pArray == NULL )
          { cout << "allocation failure.\n" ;
                                                Assign 10 values to the memory by the
            exit(0);
10
                                                pointer pArray.
11
          for ( int i = 0; i < 10; i ++ )
12
              pArray[i] = 100 + i;
13
14
          cout << "Displaying the Array Content" << endl;</pre>
15
          for (t = pArray; t < pArray + 10; t ++)
16
              cout << *t << " "
17
                                          If you access the value by * operator, be
18
                                          sure do not move the pointer which assign
19
                                          the address by new.
          delete [] pArray ;
20
21
22
          return 0;
                        Release the memory.
23
```

Sample out: Displaying the Array Content 100 101 102 103 104 105 106 107 108 109

```
#include <iostream>
 using namespace std;
∃int main()
                                                                              100
     int* pArray = NULL;
     pArray = new int[10];
                                                                              101
     if (pArray == NULL)
         cout << "Allocateion failure.\n";</pre>
                                                                              103
         exit(0);
                                                                              104
     for (int i = 0; i < 10; i++)
                                                                              105
         pArray[i] = 100 + i;
     cout << " Displaying the Array countents:" << endl;</pre>
     for (int i = 0; i < 10; i++, pArray++)
         cout << *pArray << " ";
                                                                              108
     delete[] pArray;
                                                                               109
     return 0;
                                                pArray
              After for loop, the pointer is now pointed to the
              memory out of the range you have requested.
```

The output in Visual studio 2019



```
#include <iostream>
      using namespace std;
      int main()
          int *pArray = NULL;
          pArray = new int[10];
          if(pArray == NULL)
11
              cout <<"Allocateion failure.\n";</pre>
12
              exit(0);
          for(int i = 0; i < 10; i++)
              pArray[i] = 100 + i;
17
          cout <<" Displaying the Array countents:" << endl;</pre>
          for(int i = 0; i < 10; i++, pArray++)
              cout << *pArray << " ";
          delete [] pArray;
          return 0;
27
PROBLEMS
         OUTPUT
                 DEBUG CONSOLE
                               TERMINAL
maydlee@LAPTOP-U1MO0N2F:/mnt/d/csourcecode/2021Spring/lab04/exampleCode$ g++ memoryleak con
maydlee@LAPTOP-U1MOON2F:/mnt/d/csourd
                                   There is no output in VScode, just a message of
```

Segmentation fault (core dumped) "Segmentation fault (core dumped)" maydlee@LAPTOP-U1MOON2F:/mnt/d/csourd

```
#include <iostream>
 using namespace std;
∃int main()
     int* pArray = NULL;
                                                                                   100
     pArray = new int[10];
                                                                                   101
     if (pArray == NULL)
         cout << "Allocateion failure.\n";</pre>
         exit(0);
                                                                                   103
                                                                                   104
     for (int i = 0; i < 10; i++)
                                                                                   105
         pArray[i] = 100 + i;
     cout << " Displaying the Array countents:" << endl;</pre>
     for (int i = 0; i < 10; i++, pArray++)
                                                                                   107
         cout << *pArray << " ";
                                                                                   108
     delete[] pArray;
                                                                                   109
     return 0;
                                                     pArray[
              The memory you release will not what you requested.
```

```
#include <iostream>
 using namespace std;
∃int main()
                                                                                  100
     int* pArray = NULL;
    pArray = new int[10];
                                                                                  101
     if (pArray == NULL)
         cout << "Allocateion failure.\n";</pre>
         exit(0);
                                             memory leak
    for (int i = 0; i < 10; i++)
                                              内存泄漏
         pArray[i] = 100 + i;
                                                                                  106
     cout << " Displaying the Array countents:" << endl;</pre>
     for (int i = 0; i < 10; i++, pArray++)
                                                                                  107
         cout << *pArray << " ";
                                                                                  108
     delete[] pArray;
     return 0;
                                                    pArray
```

Many times, you are not aware in advance how much memory you will need to store particular information in a defined variable, but the size of required memory can be determined at run time.

```
#include <iostream>
     using namespace std;
     int main()
         int n;
         cout << "How many classes did you take in last semster?";</pre>
         cin \gg n;
         float *pScore = new float[n];
         float *pt = pScore;
         cout << "Input " << n << " scores:";</pre>
         for(; pt < pScore + n; pt++)</pre>
             cin >> *pt;
         cout << "The scores are:\n";</pre>
         pt = pt - n;
         for(; pt < pScore + n; pt++)</pre>
             cout << *pt << "\t";
         cout << "\n";</pre>
                                                                        Sample out:
         delete []pScore;
                                                     How many classes did you take in last semster?5
         return 0;
                                                     Input 5 scores:82 90 78.5 85.5 83
                                                     The scores are:
                                                     82
                                                              90
                                                                       78.5
                                                                                 85.5
                                                                                          83
```

3. Dynamic Memory Allocation for Structures

```
• newstructure.cpp > ...
     #include <iostream>
      struct inflatable // structure declaration
         char name[20];
         float volume:
                                  Create an unnamed structure of the
         double price;
                                 inflatable type and assign its address to
      };
                                  ps pointer using new operator
      int main()
10
         using namespace std
         inflatable *ps = new inflatable;
                                             // allocate memory for structure
12
13
         cout << "Enter name of inflatable item: ";</pre>
14
         cin.get(ps->name, 20);
                                    // use -> to access the member
15
         cout << "Enter volume of cubic feet: ";</pre>
16
         cin >> (*ps).volume;
17
         cout << "Enter price: $";</pre>
                                         Access the structure members using -> or (*).
         cin >> ps->price;
         cout << "Name: " << (*ps).name << endl;</pre>
21
         cout << "Volume: " << ps->volume << "cubic feet\n";</pre>
          cout << "Price: $" ⟨< ps->price ⟨< endl;
23
24
25
         delete ps;
                              // free memory used by structure
                                                                                     Sample output:
                          Release the memory.
                                                                  Enter name of inflatable item: Black Base
         return 0;
                                                                   Enter volume of cubic feet: 35.4
                                                                   Enter price: $91.25
                                                                  Name: Black Base
                                                                   Volume: 35.4cubic feet
```

Price: \$91.25

Structured array

```
    ⊕ newstructurearray.cpp > ...

     #include <iostream>
     #include <new>
     using namespace std;
     struct Employee
                                  Create an unnamed structured array of
        string Name;
                                  the Employee type and assign its address
        int Age;
                                  to DynArray pointer using new operator
     };
     int main()
        Employee *DynArray;
        DynArray = new (nothrow) Employee[3];
                                                 nothrow constant, this constant value is used as
        DynArray[0].Name = "Harvey,
        DynArray[0].Age = 33;
                                                 an argument for [operator new] and [operator
        DynArray[1].Name = "Sally";
        DynArray[1].Age = 26;
                                                 new[]] to indicate that these functions shall not
        DynArray[2].Name = "Jeff";
 20
                                                 throw an exception on failure, but return a null
        DynArray[2].Age = 52;
                                                 pointer instead.
        cout << "Displaying the Array Contents" <<</pre>
        for(int i = 0; i < 3; i++)
            cout << "Name: " << DynArray[i].Name << "\tAge: " << DynArray[i].Age << endl;</pre>
        delete [] DynArray;
                                 Release the memory.
        return 0;
                                                                                    Sample output:
```

Displaying the Array Contents
Name: Harvey Age: 33
Name: Sally Age: 26

Name: Jeff Age: 52

2.3 Debug C++ program

The act of debugging helps you to track "What went wrong logically?" in the program code.

1. Type a C++ program in VS 2019

```
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                                                     ▶ Local Windows Debugger ▼ 🔎 📓 📲 📜 🥫 📜 🥞 🖠 🦎 Live Share 🕏 🕏
                                                                                  testDebug
                              (Global Scope)
                                                      G O 🔐 🛗 - To - S 🗗 📵 🗘 🔑 💻
              #include <iostream>
                                                                                       Search Solution Explorer (Ctrl+;)
             using namespace std;
                                                                                        Solution 'testDebug' (1 of 1 project)
            □int main()
                                                                                          ▶ ■■ References
                                                                                            External Dependencies
       6
                  int n = 0, i = 1, s = 0, k = 1;
                                                                                             Header Files
                                                                                             Resource Files
      8
                  cout << "Please input an integer(range in 5~10):\n";</pre>
                                                                                            Source Files
      9
                  cin >> n;
                                                                                            b ++ test.cpp
      10
      11
                  while (i < n)
      12
      13
                      s += k;
      14
                      i++;
      15
                      k *= i:
      16
      17
      18
                  printf( "1! + 2! +.. %d! = %d ",n, s);
                                                                                       Solution Explorer Team Explorer
      19
                                                                                                                           + 1 ×
      20
                  return 0;
      21
 Output
                                                  - L = = X
 Show output from: Build
 Error List Output
                                                                                                    ↑ Add to Source Control ▲
Item(s) Saved
```

2. Run the program in VS 2019 and check whether the result is right.

```
Microsoft Visual Studio Debug Console

Please input an integer (range in 5~10):

1! + 2! +.. 3! = 3

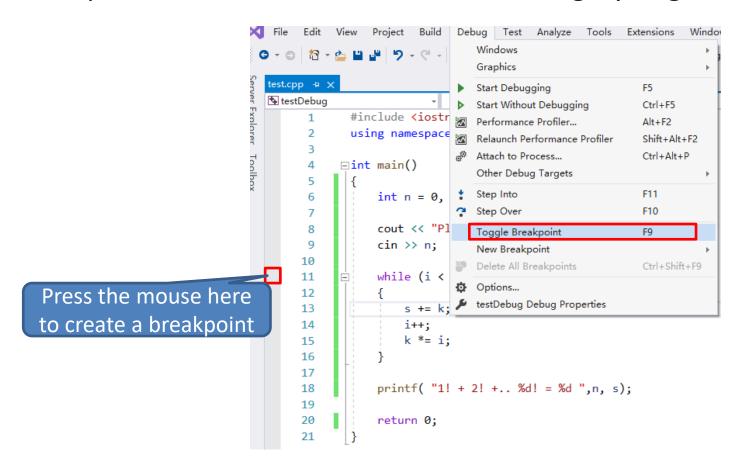
D:\csourcecode\testDebug\Debug\testDebug.exe (process 22184) exited with code 0.

Press any key to close this window . . .

The result is wrong.
```

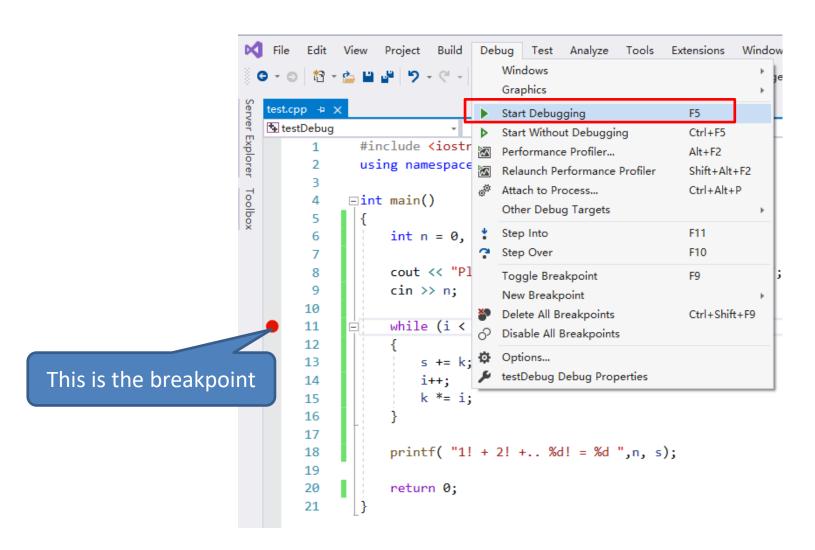
You may start your debugging to find the logic errors.

- 3. Add a breakpoint
- (1)Place the cursor at start of code where breakpoint needs to be placed
- (2) Go to Debug-> Toggle Breakpoint(shortcut:F9) or press left button of mouse at the left grey edge

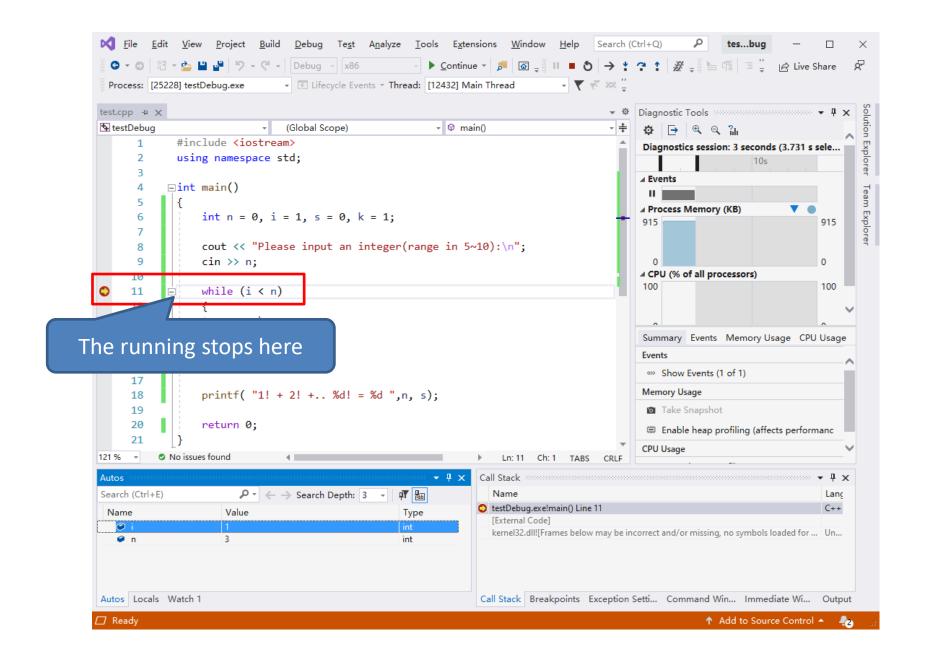


A red point will appear at the location, this red point is the breakpoint.

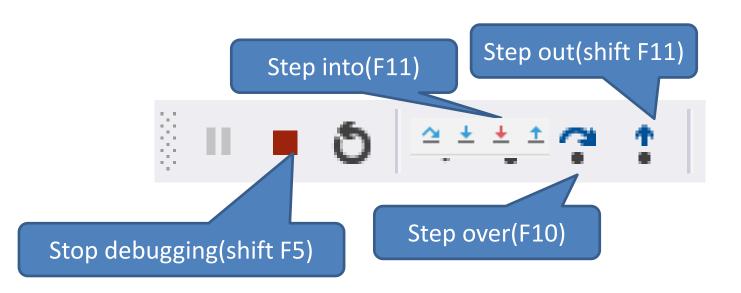
4. Run your program in debugging way Go to Debug-> Start Debugging (shortcut:F5)



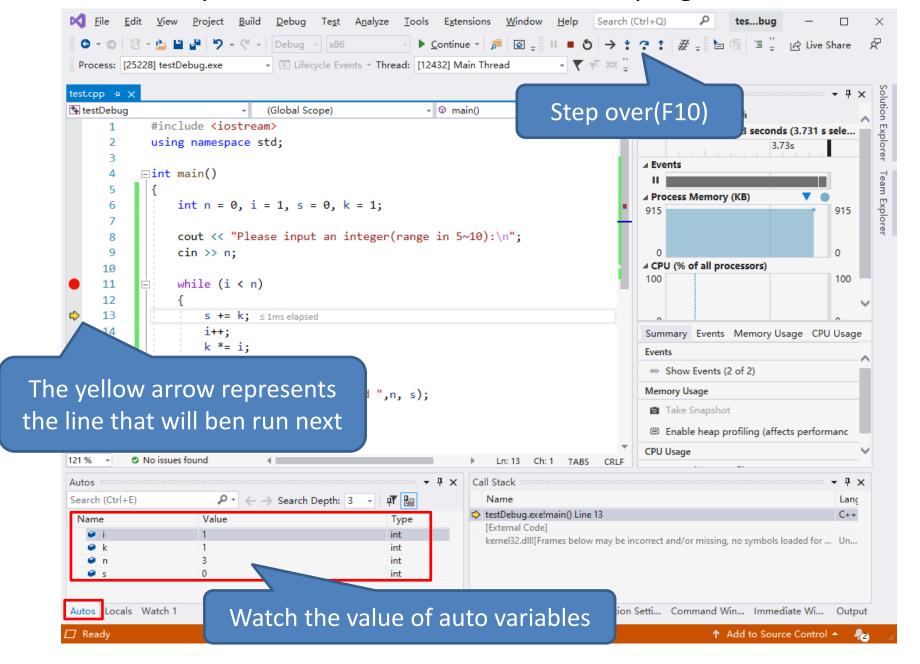
After you input an integer, the running stops at the breakpoint.

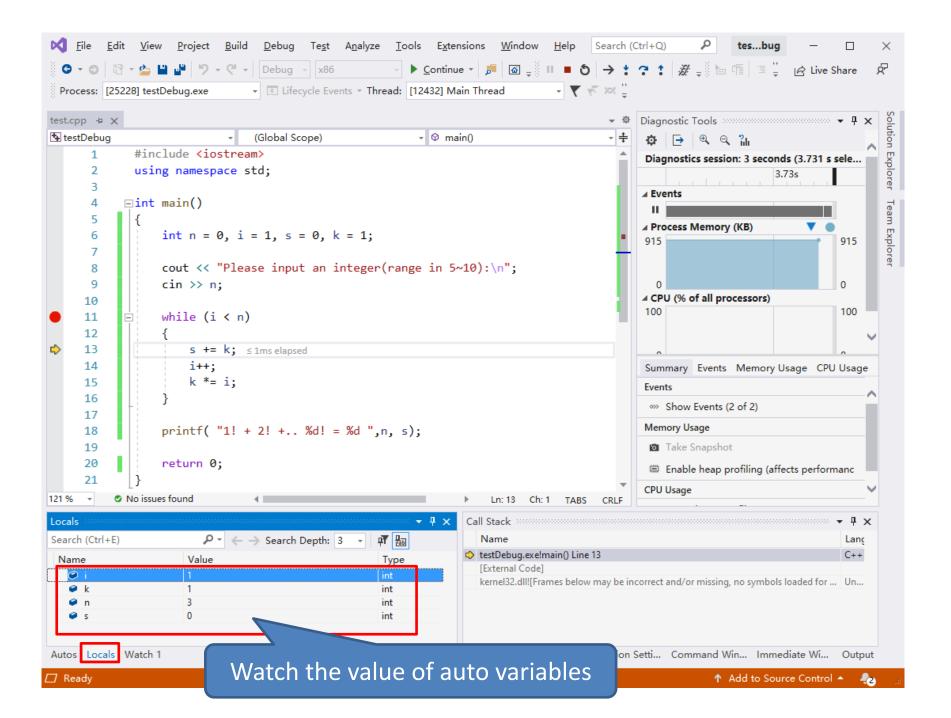


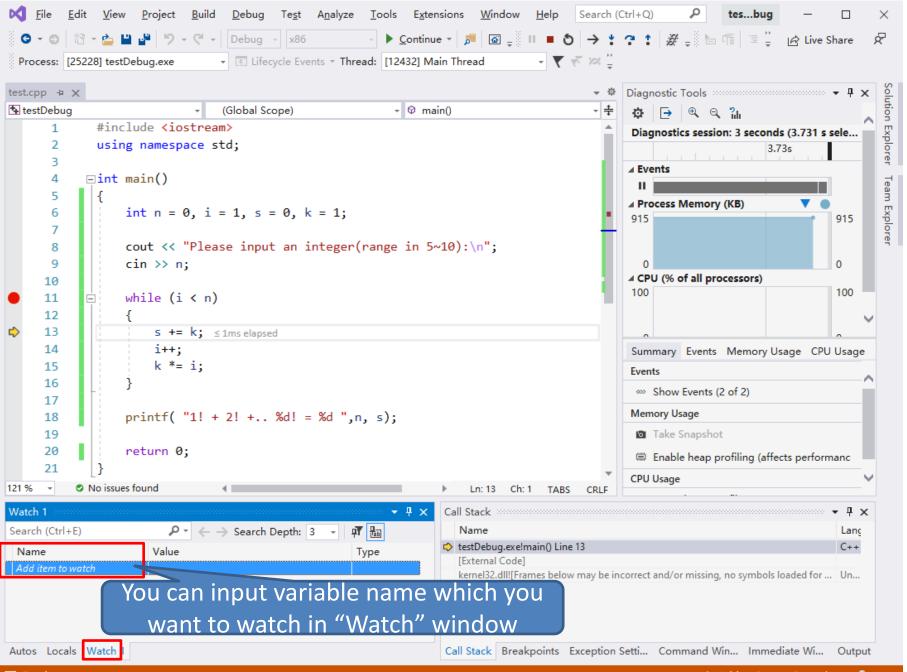
- Step into(F11): run step by step and trace into the function
- Step over(F10): run step by step and not trace into the function
- Step out(shift F11): jump out of the function



5. Press "step over" button or F10, to run the program

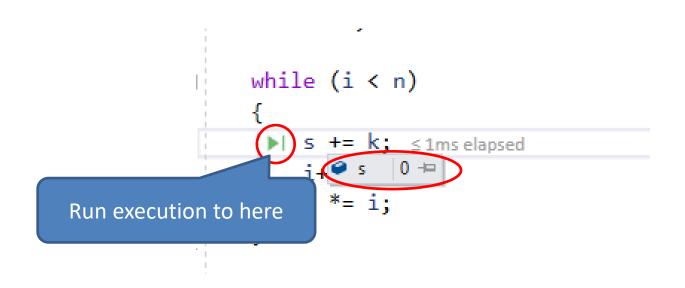




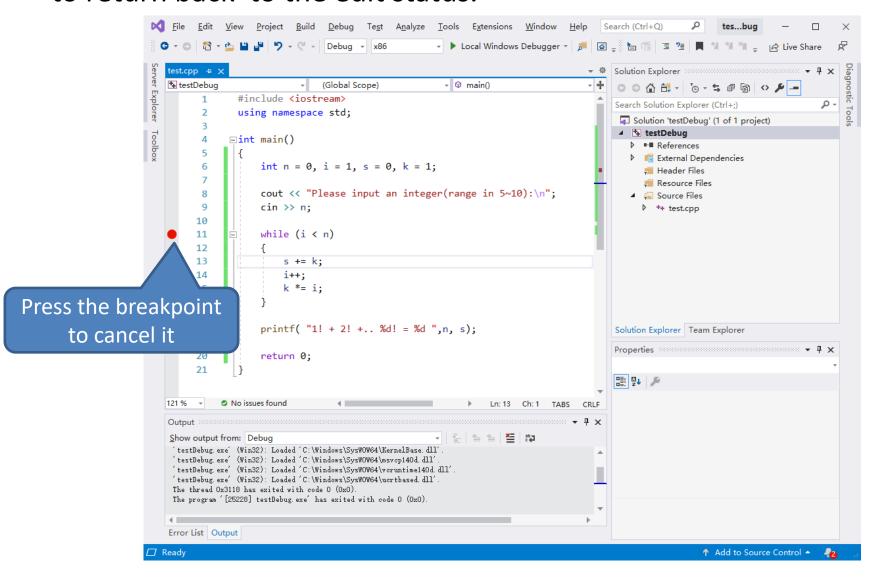


When the cursor stays at a certain line, the value of the variable at this line is shown.

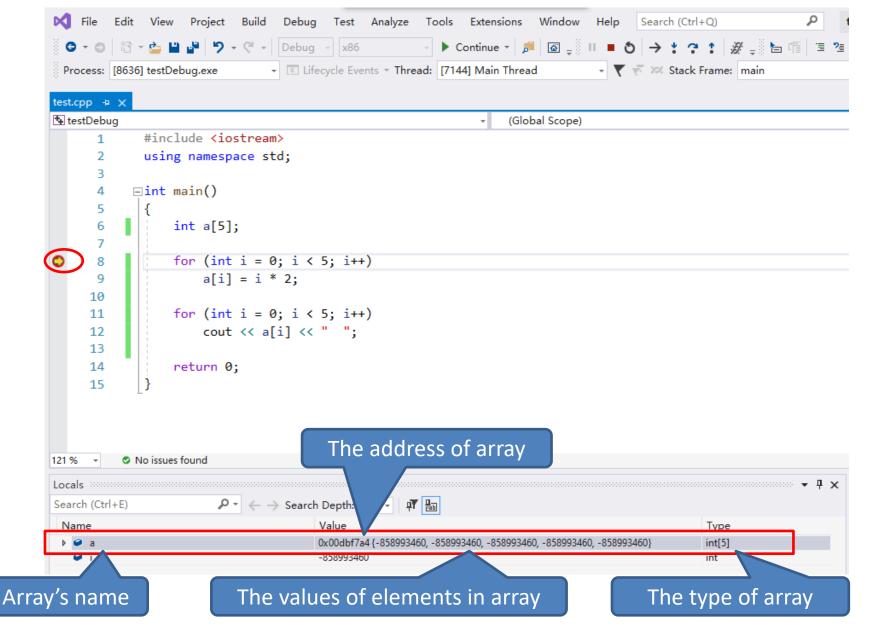
Press the green button, the program will run at the current line that the green indicates.

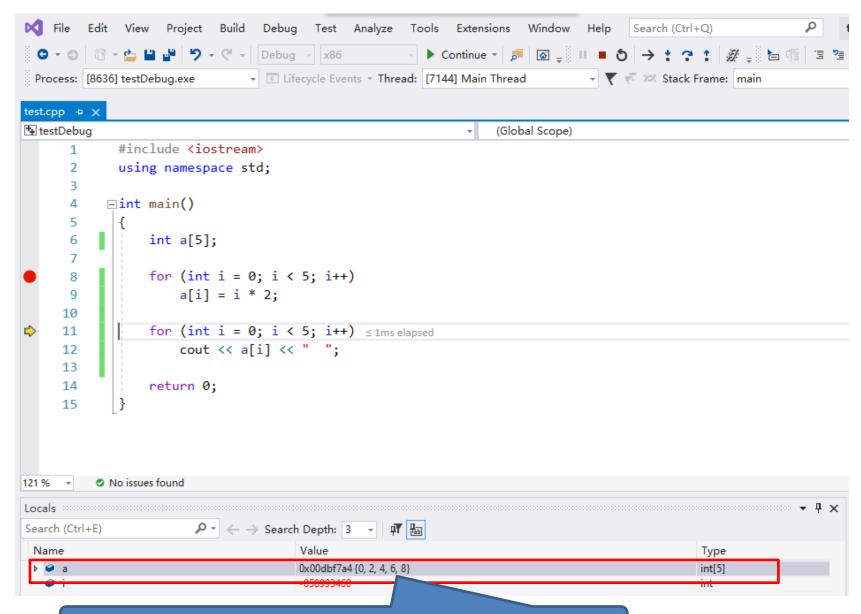


You can find the logic errors by watching the value of variables and checking the flow of the program. At last, press "stop debugging " " to return back to the edit status.



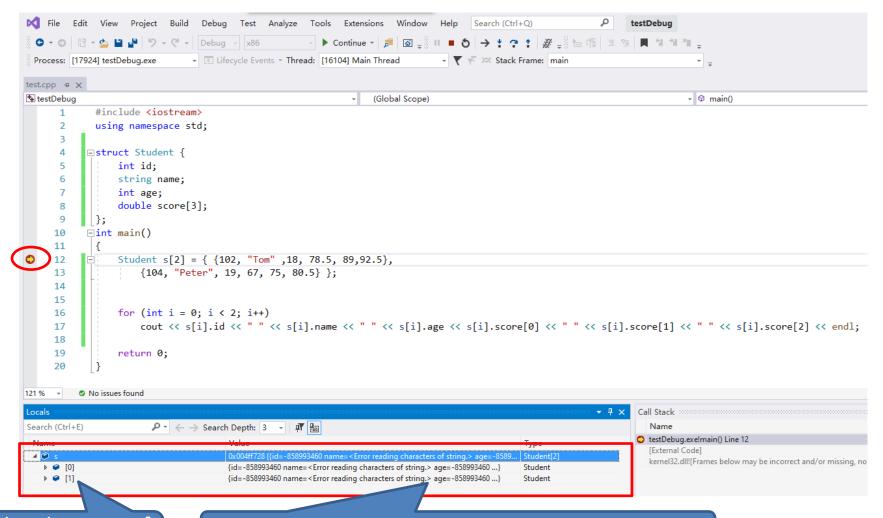
How to check the value of an array? Set a breakpoint and Start Debugging (shortcut:F5)





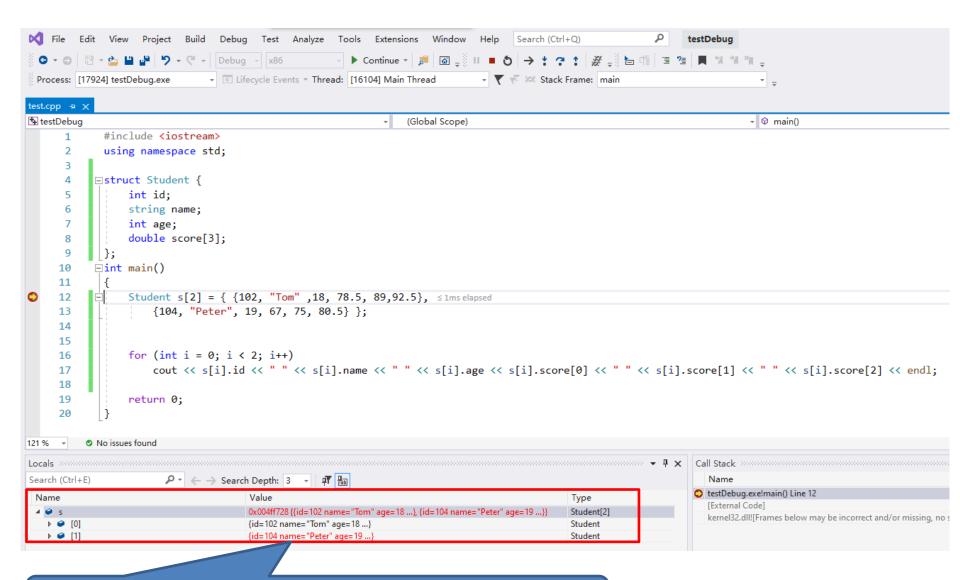
After loop, the values of elements in array are correct

How to check the value of a structure? Set a breakpoint and Start Debugging (shortcut:F5)



The elements of structure array

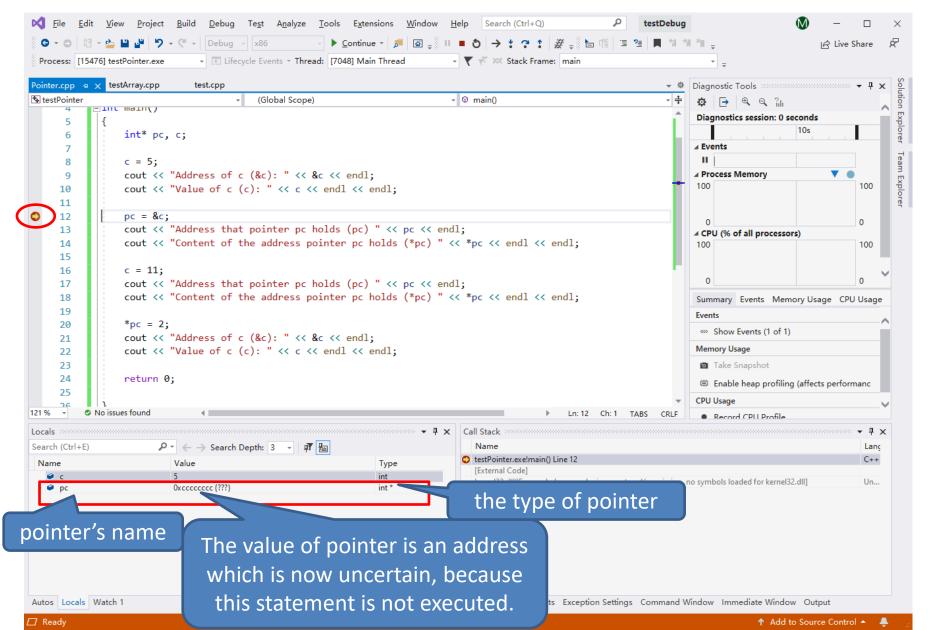
The member values of each structure element



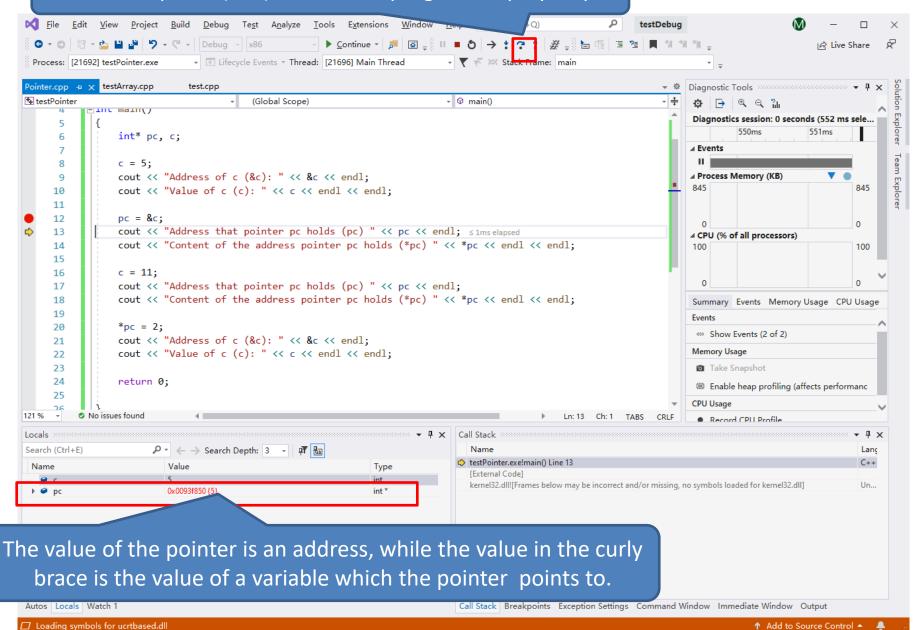
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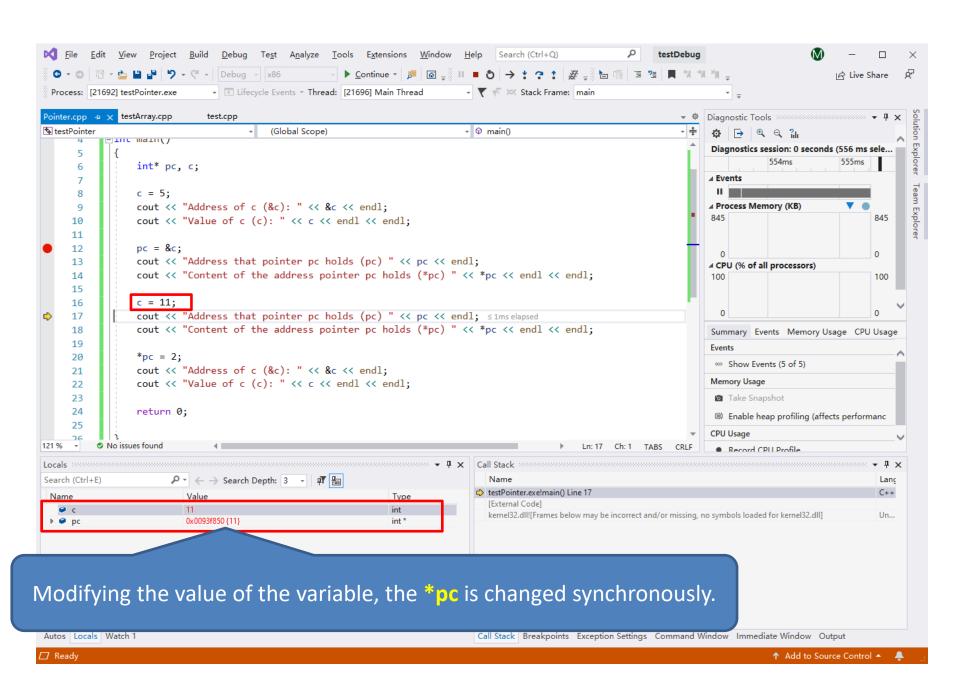
Red means the current values.

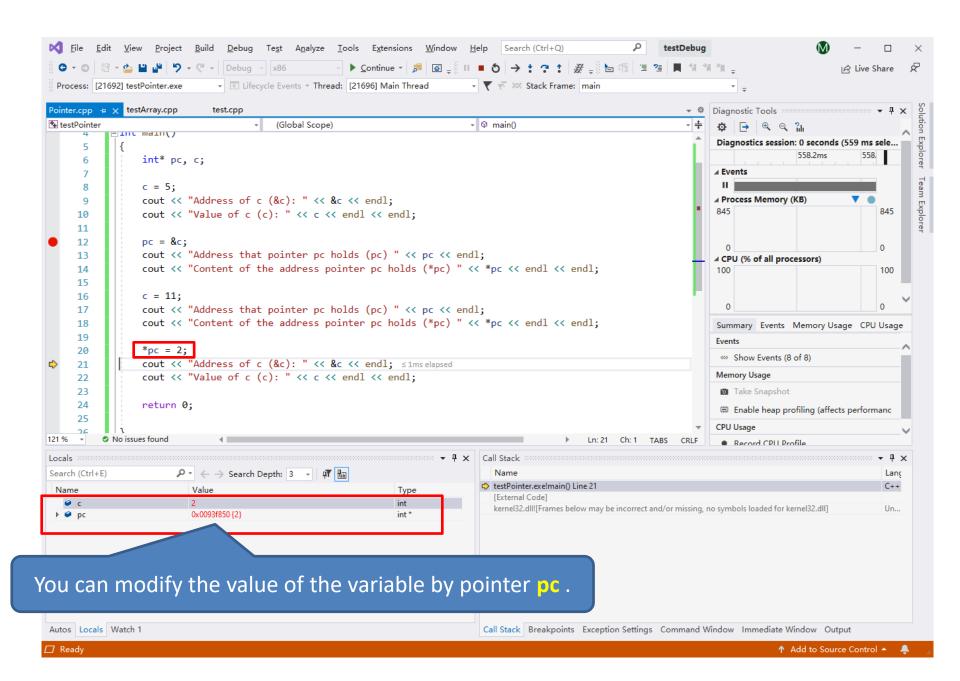
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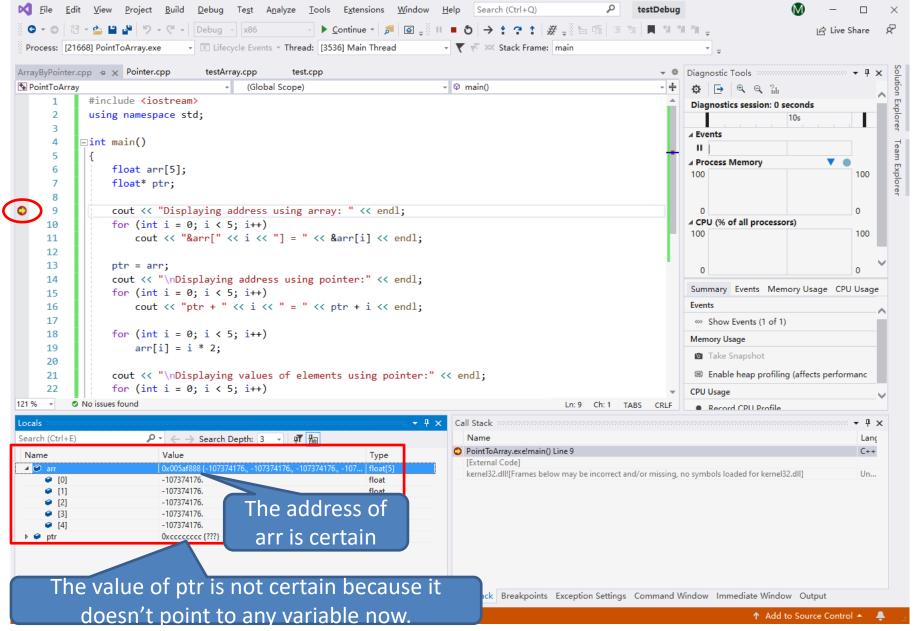




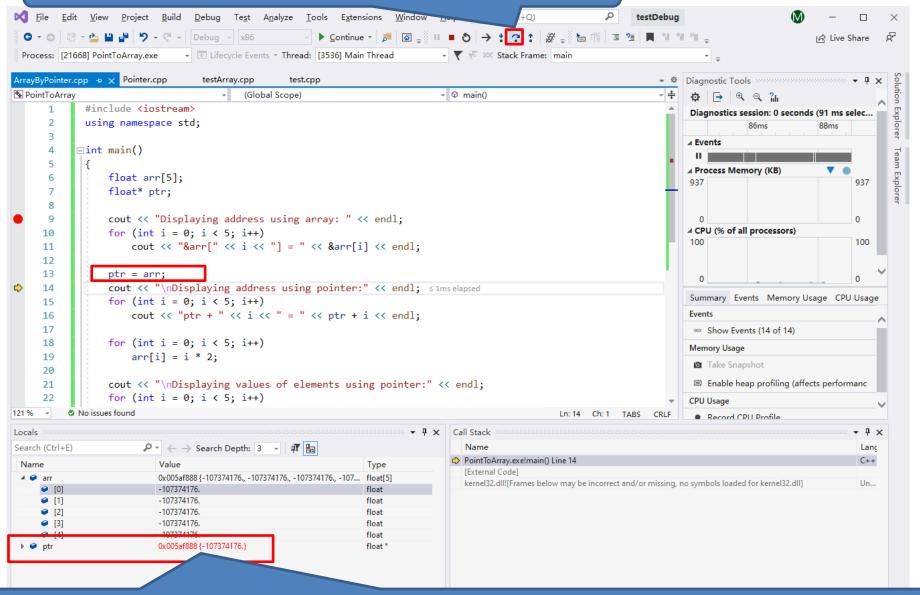


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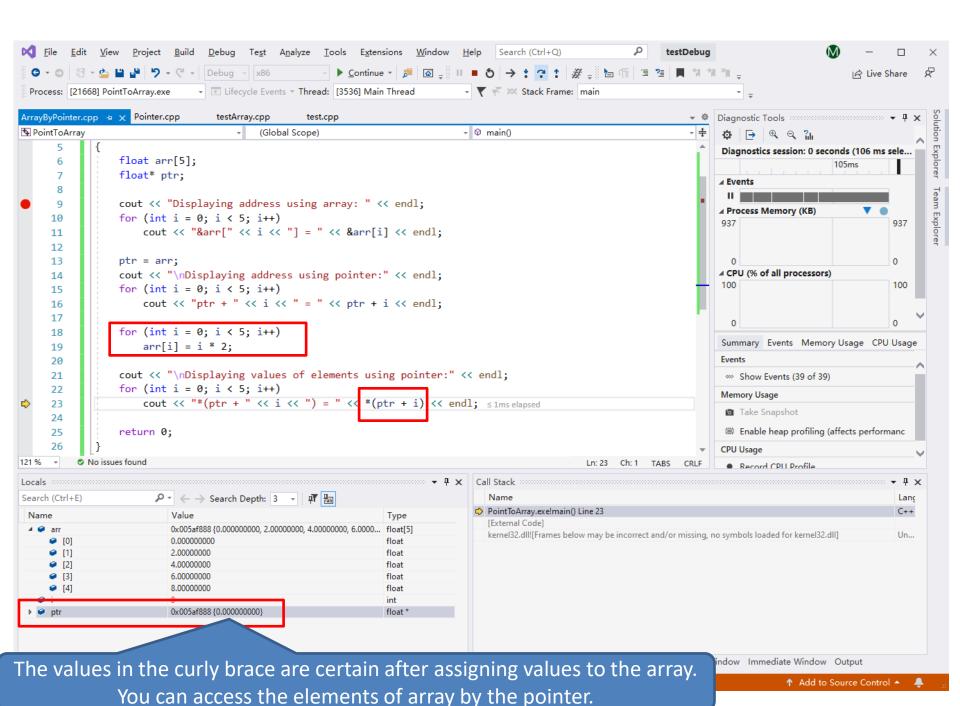
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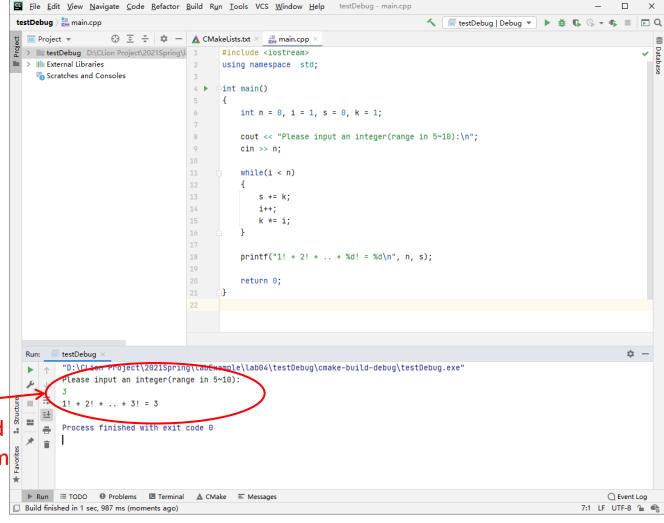


The pointer points to the array, the values (address) of array and pointer are the same. Because the values of elements are not certain, the value in the curly brace are not certain either.



Debug C++ program in CLion

Type a C++ program in CLion and run



The result is wrong.

You are recommended to debug your program for finding the logical errors.

Step 1: Add a breakpoint

Move the mouse to the line where you want to set breakpoint, press left button of mouse at the left grey edge

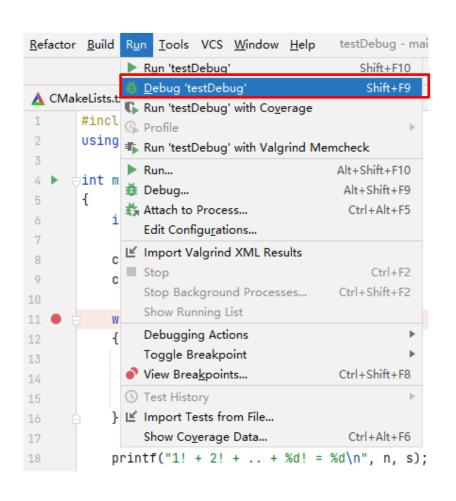
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h#include <iostream>
                                   ∆#include <iostream>
                                    using namespace std;
                                  ⇒int main()
                                        int n = 0, i = 1, s = 0, k = 1;
                                        cout << "Please input an integer(range in 5~10):\n";</pre>
                                        cin >> n;
                                        while(i < n)
Press the mouse here
                                            s += k;
to create a breakpoint
                                            i++;
                                            k *= i;
                                        printf("1! + 2! + ... + %d! = %d\n", n, s);
                                        return 0;
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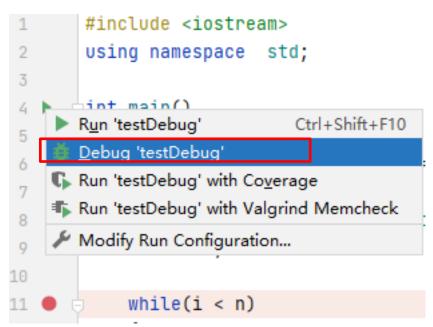
A red point will appear at the edge, this red point is the breakpoint.

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12 • while(i < n)
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Step 2:Run your program in debugging way

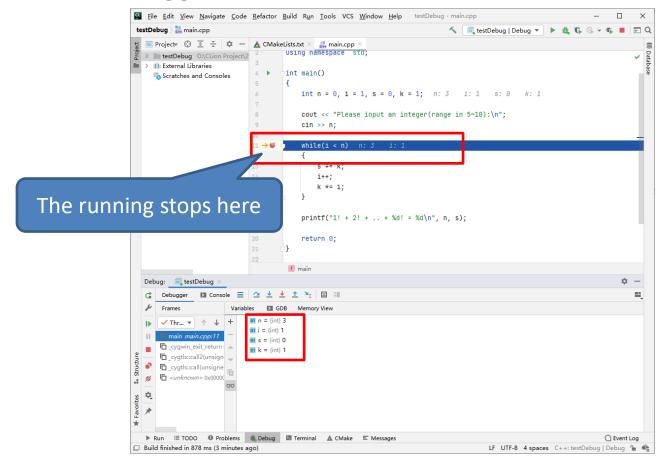
Go to Run-> Debug... or press the green triangle button and choose "Debug " or press the Debug button ■



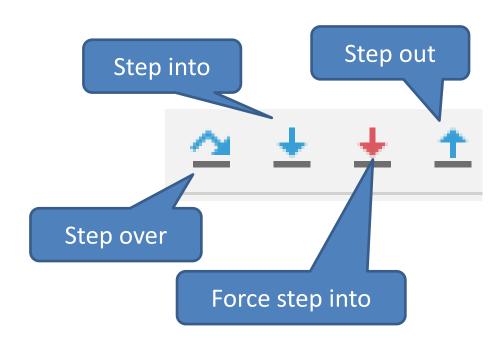


Input an integer and press Enter key

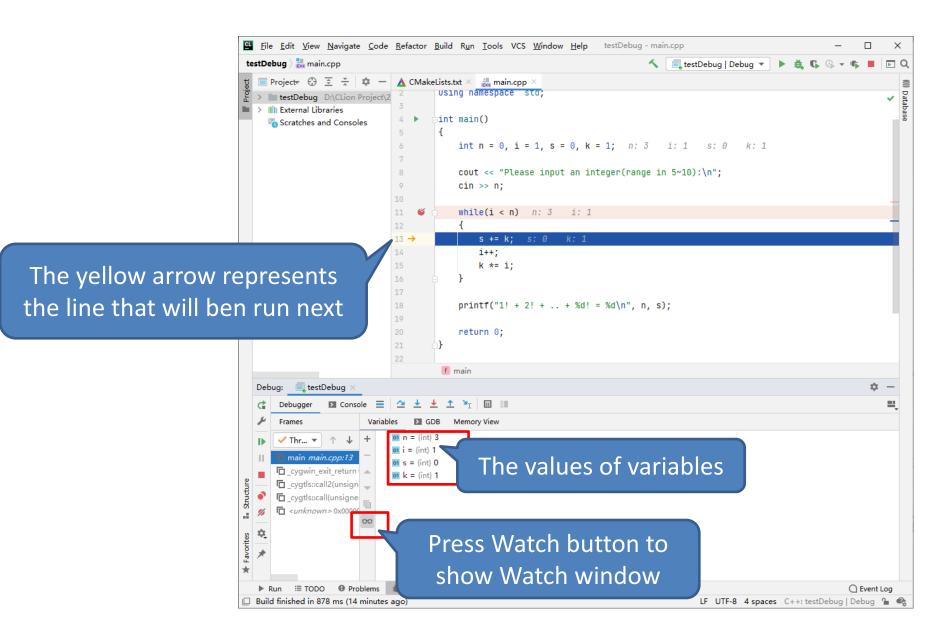
The running stops at the breakpoint, some values of variables are shown at the debugger window at the bottom of the window.

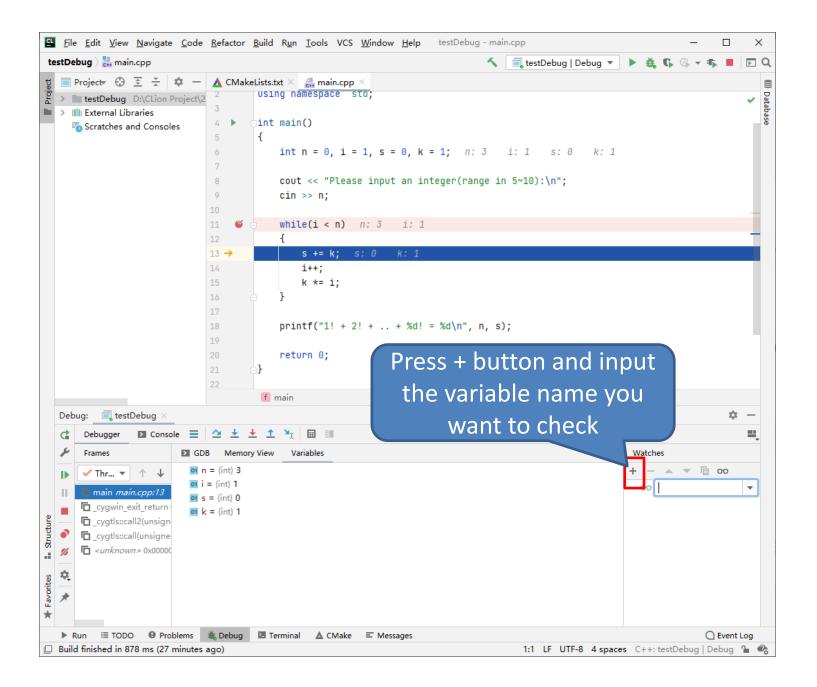


- Step Into: run step by step and trace into the function
- Step Over: run step by step and not trace into the function
- Force Step Into: trace into the function which defines by system
- Step Out: jump out of the function

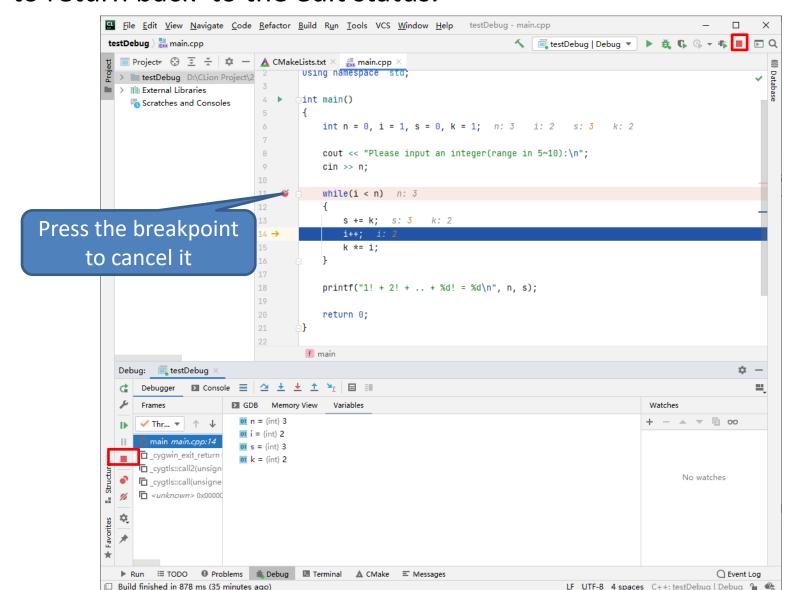


Step 3:Press "step over" button to run the program

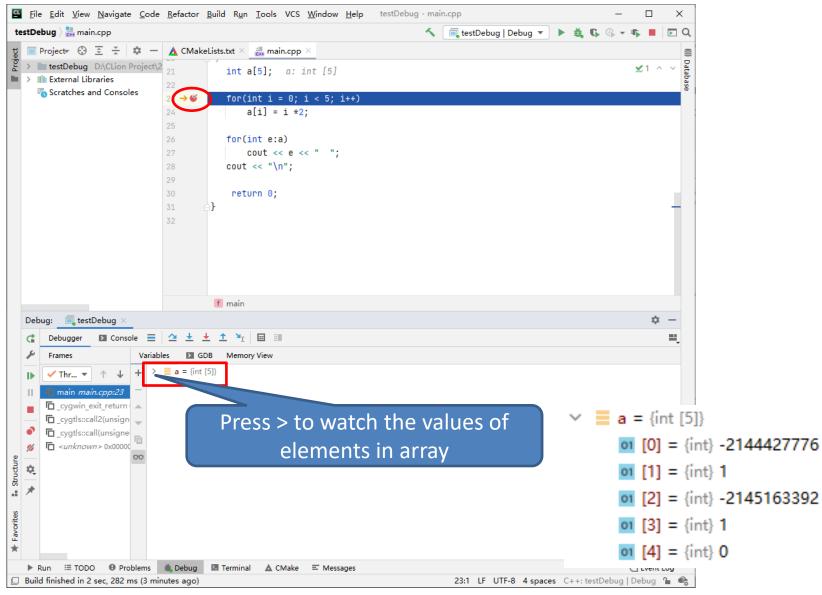


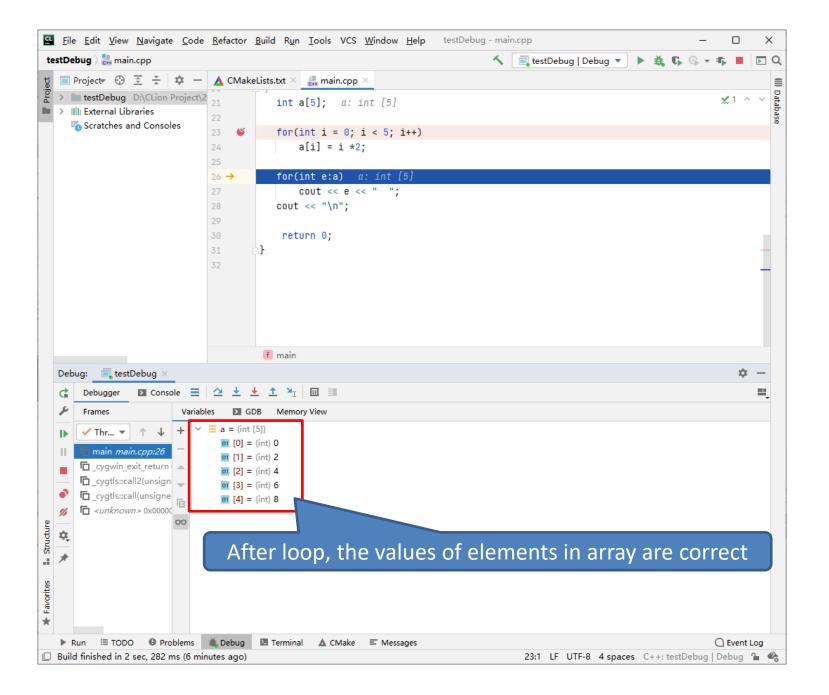


You can find the logic errors by watching the value of variables and checking the flow of the program. At last, press "stop"
to return back to the edit status.

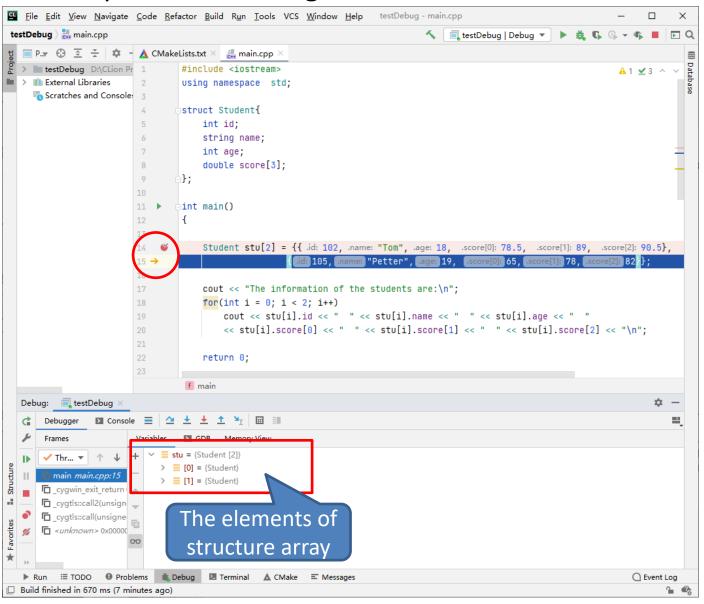


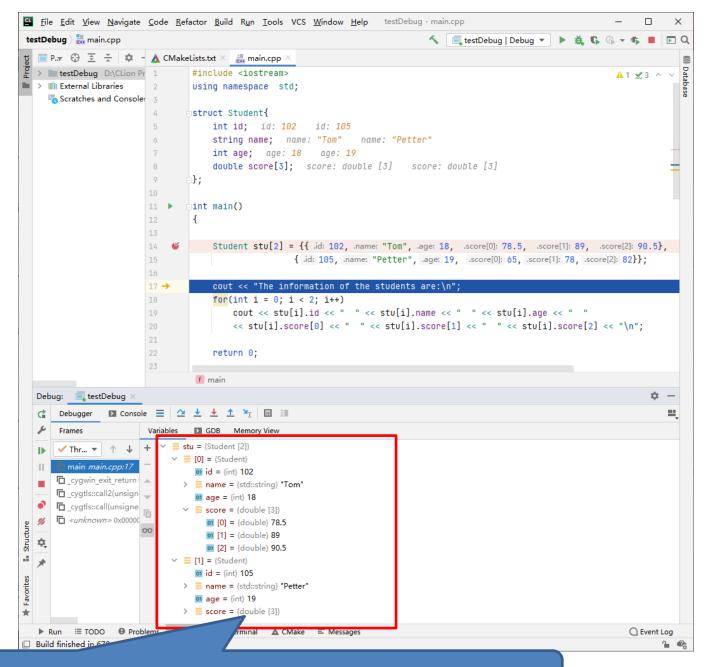
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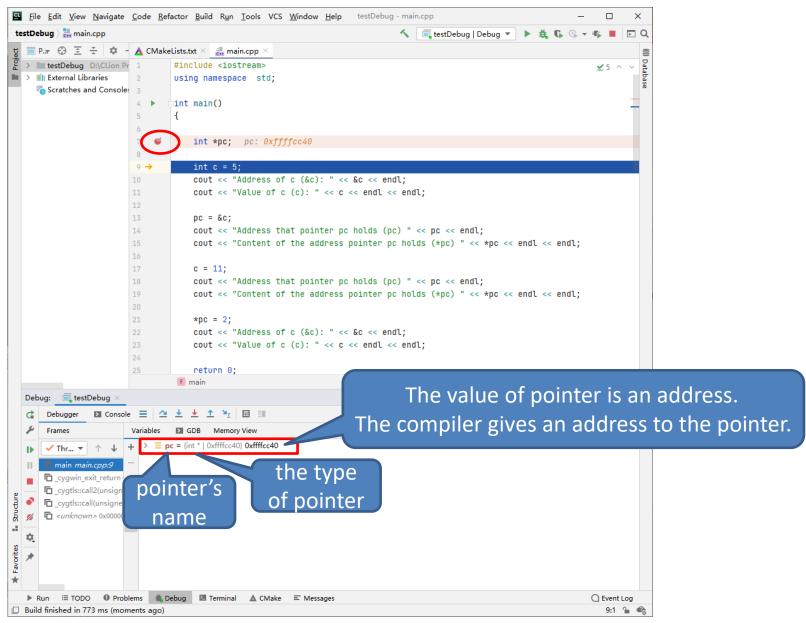
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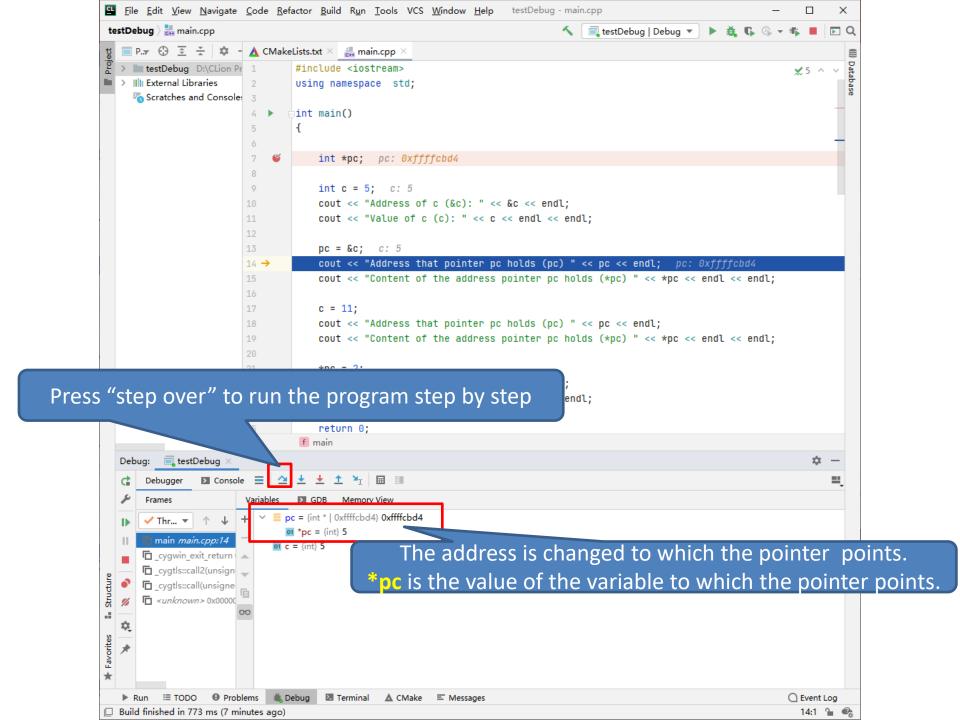


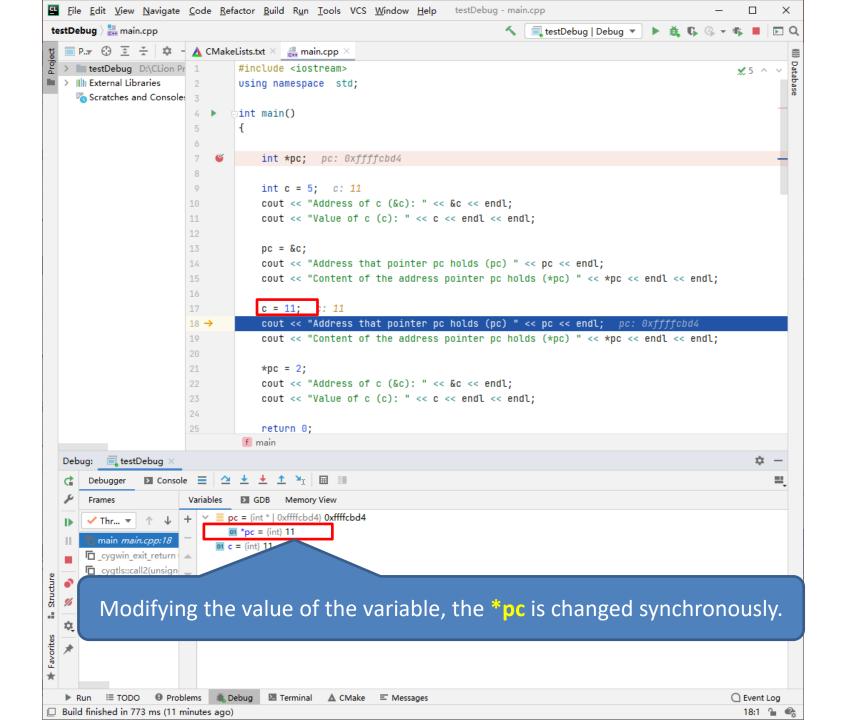


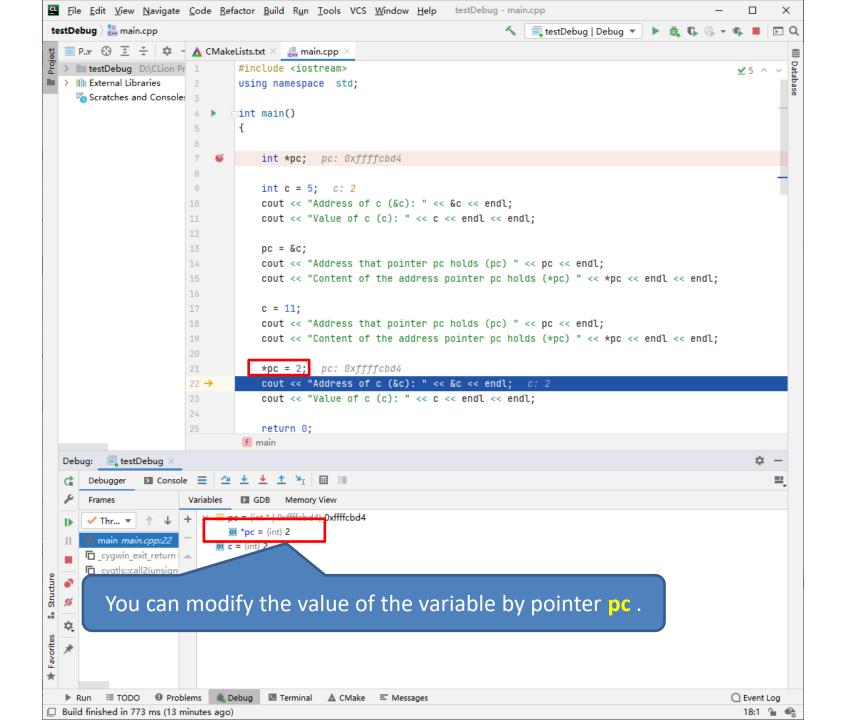
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