

Define a pointer initialized with string constant. Observe using gdb, the address where pointer is stored, the address contained the pointer where the string is stored. Observe are they in different areas of data storage classes (stack, data section etc.).

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// observe layout of data in memory using gdb

#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>

int main()
{
char *str="hello";
printf("%s",str);
return 0;
}
```

Observe where data is stored

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Breakpoint 1, main () at program1.c:10
10      char *str="hello";
(gdb) p &str
$1 = (char **) 0x7fffffffdfcfe8

0x7fffffffdfcfe8: 0 '\000'      0 '\000'      0 '\000'      0 '\000'      0 '\000'      0 '\000'
(gdb) info proc mappings
process 176794
apped address spaces:

 Start Addr      End Addr      Size      Offset     Perms  objfile
0x555555554000  0x555555555000  0x1000      0x0      r--p    /home/student/prog1
0x555555555000  0x555555556000  0x1000      0x1000    r-xp    /home/student/prog1
0x555555556000  0x555555557000  0x1000      0x2000    r--p    /home/student/prog1
0x555555557000  0x555555558000  0x1000      0x2000    r--p    /home/student/prog1
0x555555558000  0x555555559000  0x1000      0x3000    rw-p    /home/student/prog1
0x7ffff7c00000  0x7ffff7c28000  0x28000     0x0      r--p    /usr/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/libc.so.6
0x7ffff7c28000  0x7ffff7d0000  0x195000     0x28000   r-xp    /usr/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/libc.so.6
0x7ffff7d0000  0x7ffff7e15000  0x58000      0x1bd000  r--p    /usr/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/libc.so.6
0x7ffff7e15000  0x7ffff7e16000  0x1000      0x215000   ---p   /usr/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/libc.so.6
0x7ffff7e16000  0x7ffff7e1a000  0x4000      0x215000  r--p    /usr/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/libc.so.6
0x7ffff7e1a000  0x7ffff7e1c000  0x2000      0x219000  rw-p    /usr/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/libc.so.6
0x7ffff7e1c000  0x7ffff7e29000  0xd000      0x0      r--p    /usr/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/libc.so.6
0x7ffff7fa7000  0x7ffff7faa000  0x3000      0x0      r--p    /usr/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/libc.so.6
0x7ffff7fb0000  0x7ffff7fdb000  0x2000      0x0      r--p    /usr/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/libc.so.6
0x7ffff7fdb000  0x7ffff7fc1000  0x4000      0x0      r--p    [vvar]
0x7ffff7fc1000  0x7ffff7fc3000  0x2000      0x0      r--p    [vdso]
0x7ffff7fc3000  0x7ffff7fc5000  0x2000      0x0      r--p    /usr/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/ld-linux-x86-64.so.2
0x7ffff7fc5000  0x7ffff7fef000  0x2a000     0x2000    r-xp    /usr/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/ld-linux-x86-64.so.2
0x7ffff7fef000  0x7ffff7ffa000  0xb000      0x2c000   r--p    /usr/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/ld-linux-x86-64.so.2
0x7ffff7ffb000  0x7ffff7ffd000  0x2000      0x37000   r--p    /usr/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/ld-linux-x86-64.so.2
0x7ffff7ffd000  0x7ffff7fff000  0x2000      0x39000   rw-p    /usr/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/ld-linux-x86-64.so.2
0x7ffff7ffde000 0x7ffff7fff000  0x21000     0x0      r--p    [stack]
0xfffffffff60000 0xfffffffff601000  0x1000      0x0      --xp   [vsyscall]
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Printing literals

```
(gdb) next  
11      printf("%s",str);  
(gdb) next  
12      return 0;  
(gdb) x/s str  
0x55555556004: "hello"  
(gdb) p str  
$3 = 0x55555556004 "hello"
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