

## Pointers :

- ❖ used to store address of some other variable
- ❖ declaration : pointer variables are declared as follows :  
`int *x, a ;`

=> x is a pointer variable to an integer type data while a is an integer variable

the value in x would hold an address to a variable and that variable would be an integer

- ❖ initialization : this x can be initialized as follows :  
`x = &a ;`

=> the address of the integer variable a is available in x

## const keyword

- ❖ specifies the value of *const var* can not be modified
- ❖ Following example shows features :

```
int main() {  
    const int x=10 ;  
    int const y = 10 ; // same as above  
  
    int *p = &x ; // generates warning - discards 'const' qualifier from pointer target type  
    *p = 100 ;  
    printf("%d\n", x) ; //if warning ignored, x is modified  
  
    int a = 10 ;  
    const int *p1 = &a ; // OR int const *p1 = &a ;  
    /*p1 = 11 ; ERROR  
    p1 = (int*)malloc(sizeof(int)) ;  
  
    int *const p2 = &a ;  
    *p2 = 11 ;  
    //p2 = (int*)malloc(sizeof(int)) ; ERROR  
}
```