



Discussion Week 1

Tuesday

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About Discussions

- Scheduled for 1 hour
 - 30 minutes content/practice, 30 minutes Q&A
- Focusing on PA or Content Review
- Friday Discussions
 - Introduction to PA
 - Review of the week's material
- Tuesday Discussions
 - PA common problems/Q&A
 - Review of the week's material

Today

C++ Review

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In the first case we are updating the value stored in `ptr` (a memory address). In the second case we are dereferencing `ptr` and updating the value stored at the memory address that is stored in `ptr`.

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