

C++-06

* Static variables and method

@ Static member variable of a class

→ Exist exactly once per class, not per object.

→ The value is equal across all instances

→ Must be defined in *.cpp files.

@ Static member function of a class

→ Can call without an object.

ClassName::MethodName (<params>)

sizeof (<type>) → return size of the type. (in bytes)

* RAM

→ It is the working memory.

→ It has linear addressing.

→ Every byte has an address usually presented in hexadecimal form.

→ Any address can be accessed at random.

→ Pointer is a type to store memory address.

* Pointer

- ⇒ $\langle \text{Type} \rangle *$ defines a pointer to type $\langle \text{TYPE} \rangle$
- ⇒ Uninitialized pointer points to a random address
- ⇒ Always initialize pointers to an address or a null ptr

`int* a = nullptr;`

`YourType* c = nullptr;`

* Non-owning pointers

- Memory pointed to by a raw pointer is not removed when pointer goes out of scope.
- Pointers can either own memory or not
- Owning memory means being responsible for its cleanup.
- Raw pointers should never own memory.

* Address operator for pointer.

- Operator `&` returns the address of the variable in memory.

→ Example

`int a = 45;`

`int* a_ptr = &a;`

* Pointer to Pointer

Example

int a = 45;

int* a_ptr = &a;

int** a_ptr_ptr = &a_ptr;

* Pointer dereferencing

⇒ Operation * returns the value of the variable to which the pointer points.

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