Lecture 6
Pointers and addresses

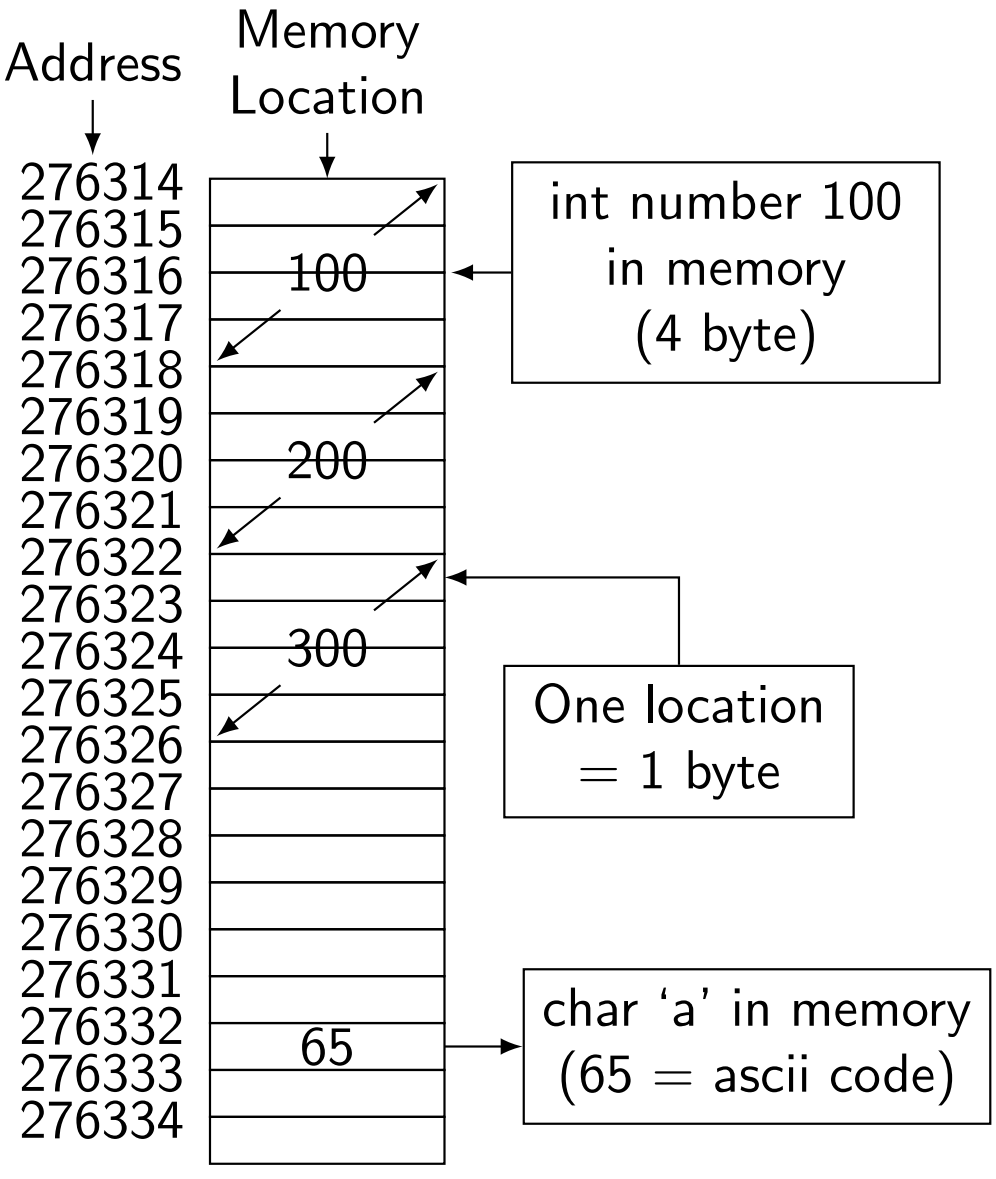
Test is coming

- Data types
- Functions
- I/O operations
- Branching (if, switch)
- Loops

Have a look at the example tests!

The memory

Is where variables live




```
...
int a=100;
int b=200;
int c=300;
char d='a';
...
```

- Memory is continous
- All variables are stored in memory
- ... and functions

New data types - pointers

declared with a *

- For every type there is a pointer to it
- Use *
- Pointers are used to store **addresses** of variables
- Reside in memory, as any other variable

```
int *pi;
float *pf;
double *pd;
char *pc;
void *pv;
```

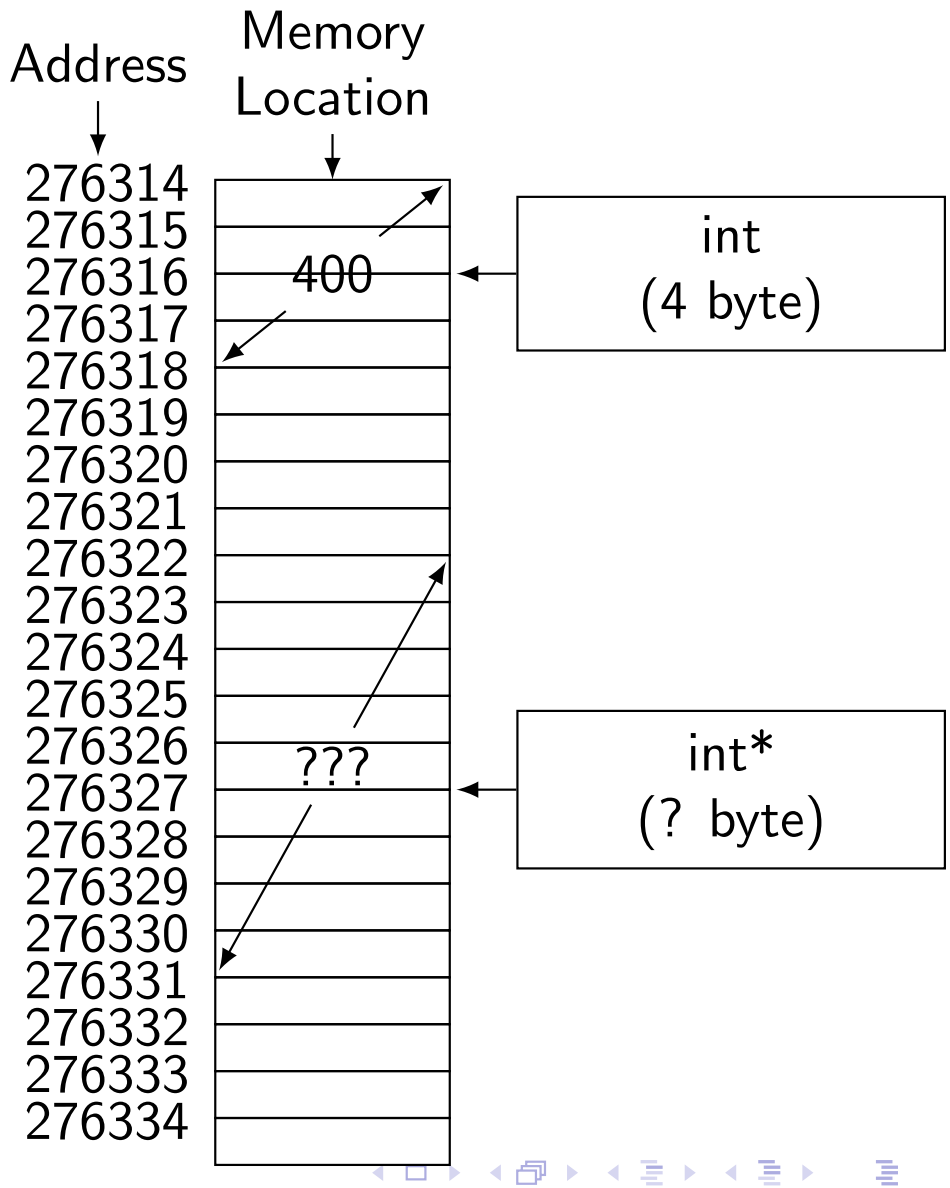
But also Pointer to pointer ...

```
int **ppi;
float ***pf;
...
void **pv;
```

Pointers
sizeof

- What is *sizeof(int*)*
- and *sizeof(double*)*
- Examples follow
- Depands on a system ...

```
int a=400;
int *p = 10; //p points to
     memory address 10, can
     we access it?
```



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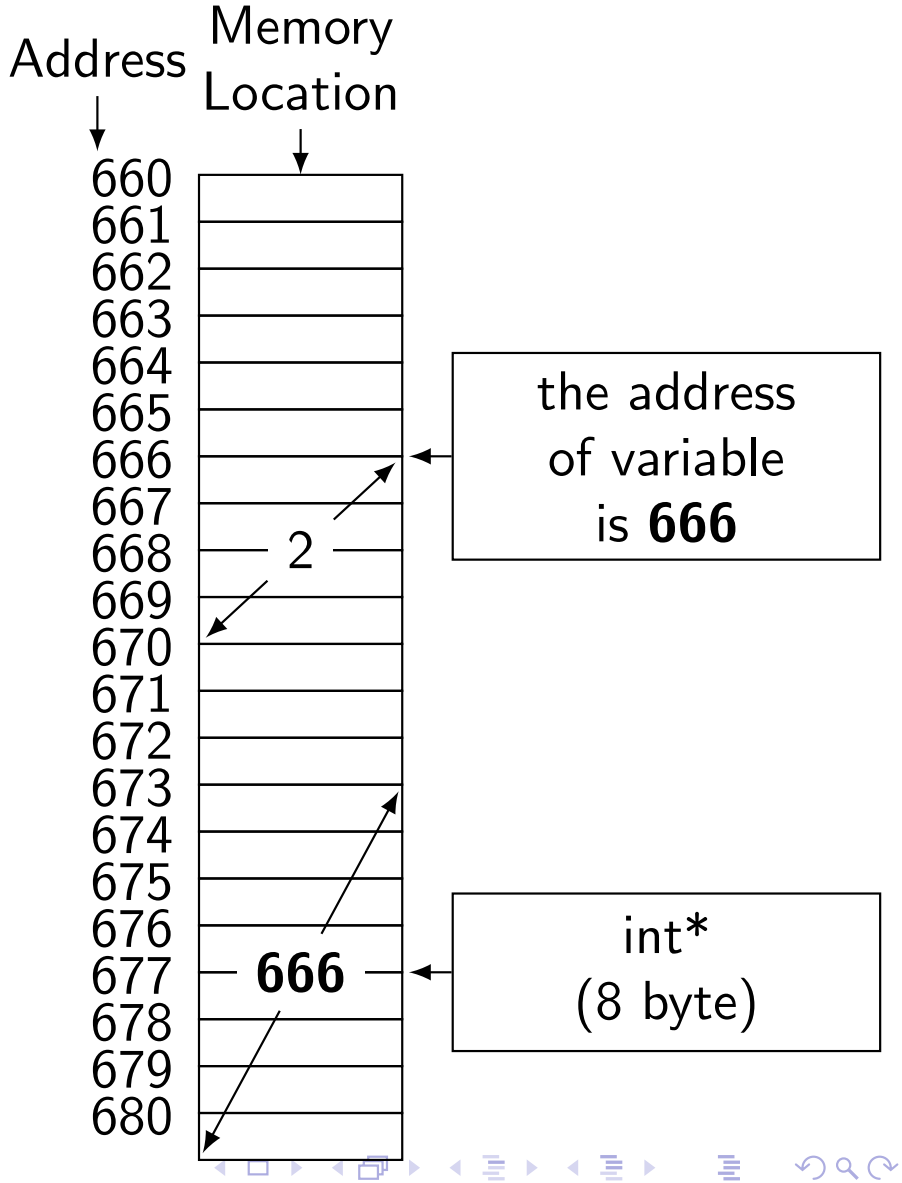

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int good=1;//this is a good int
p=&good;//p stores adress of good
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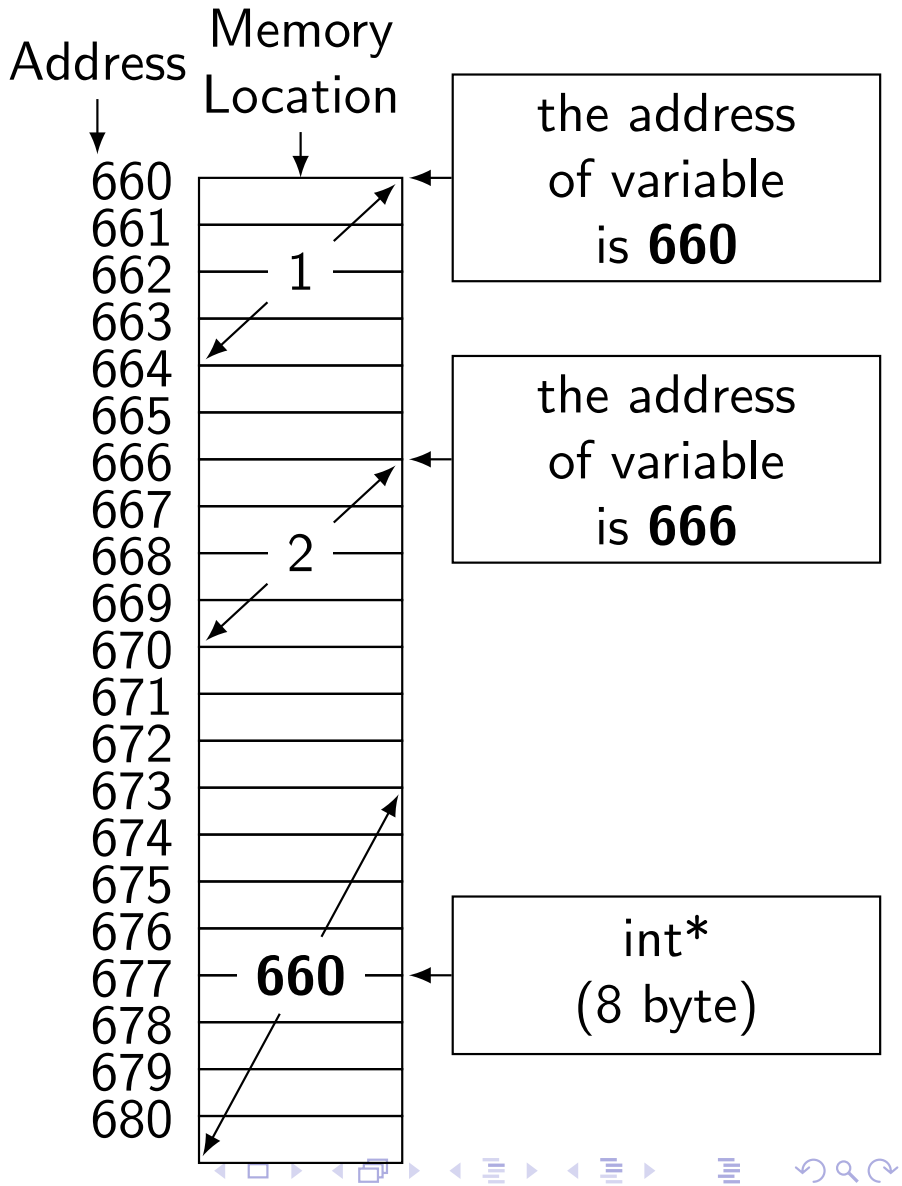

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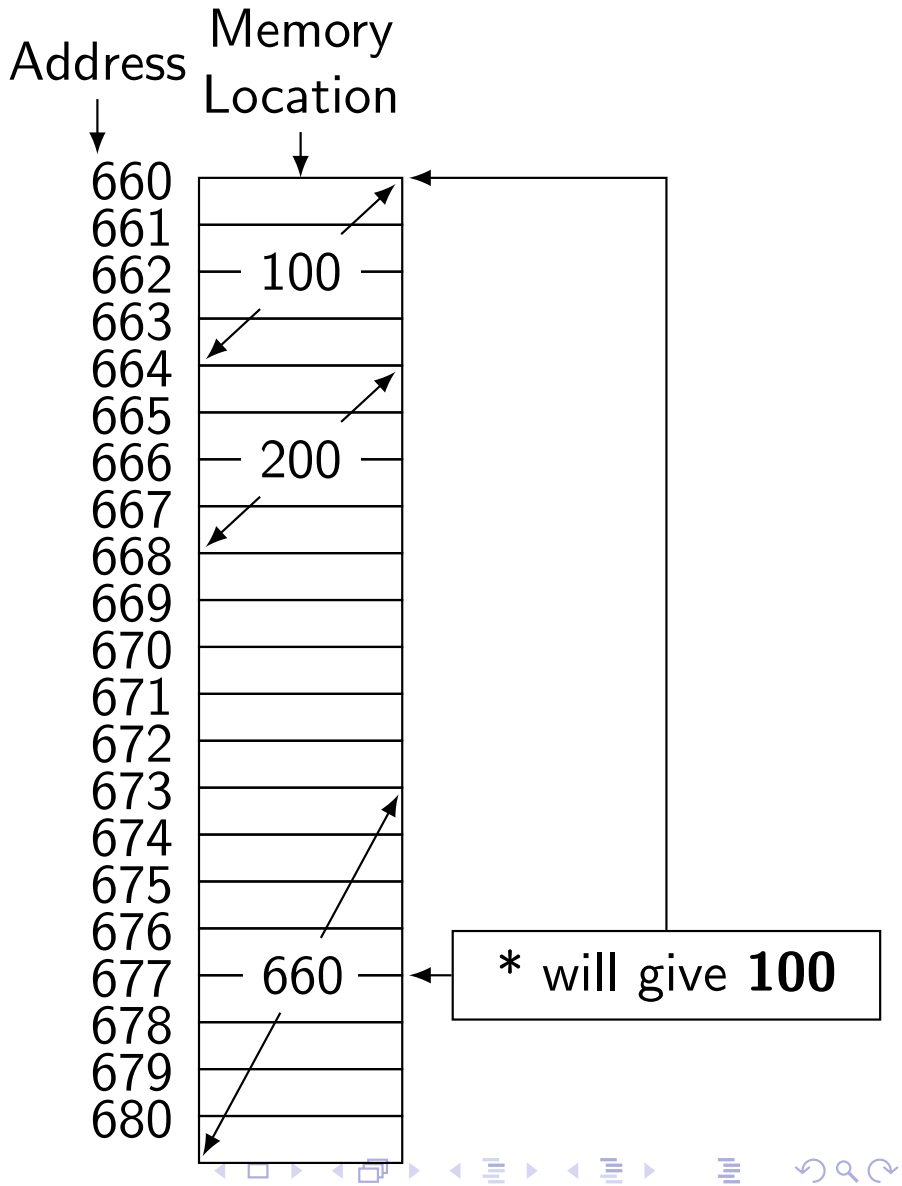
So for *int* ** (pointer to pointer) the ** will give a value ...



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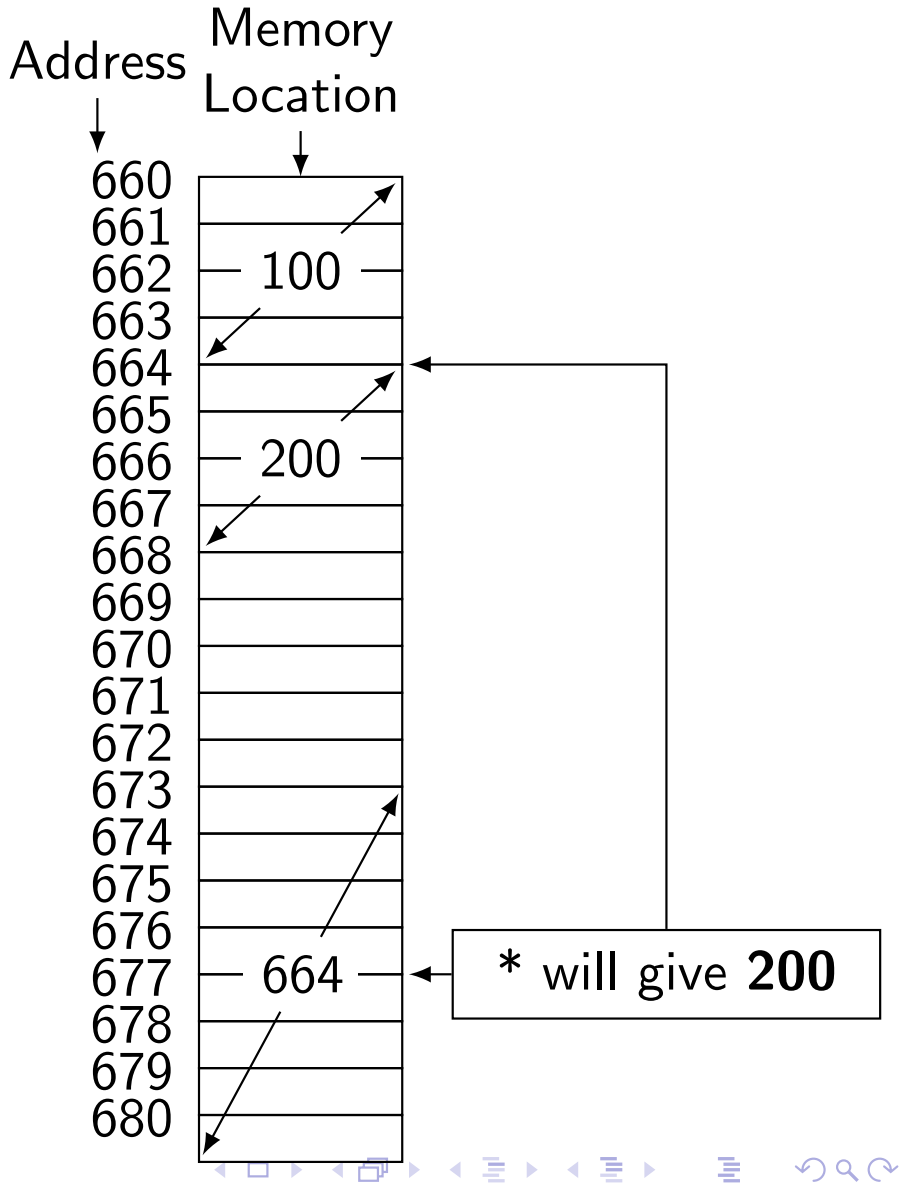

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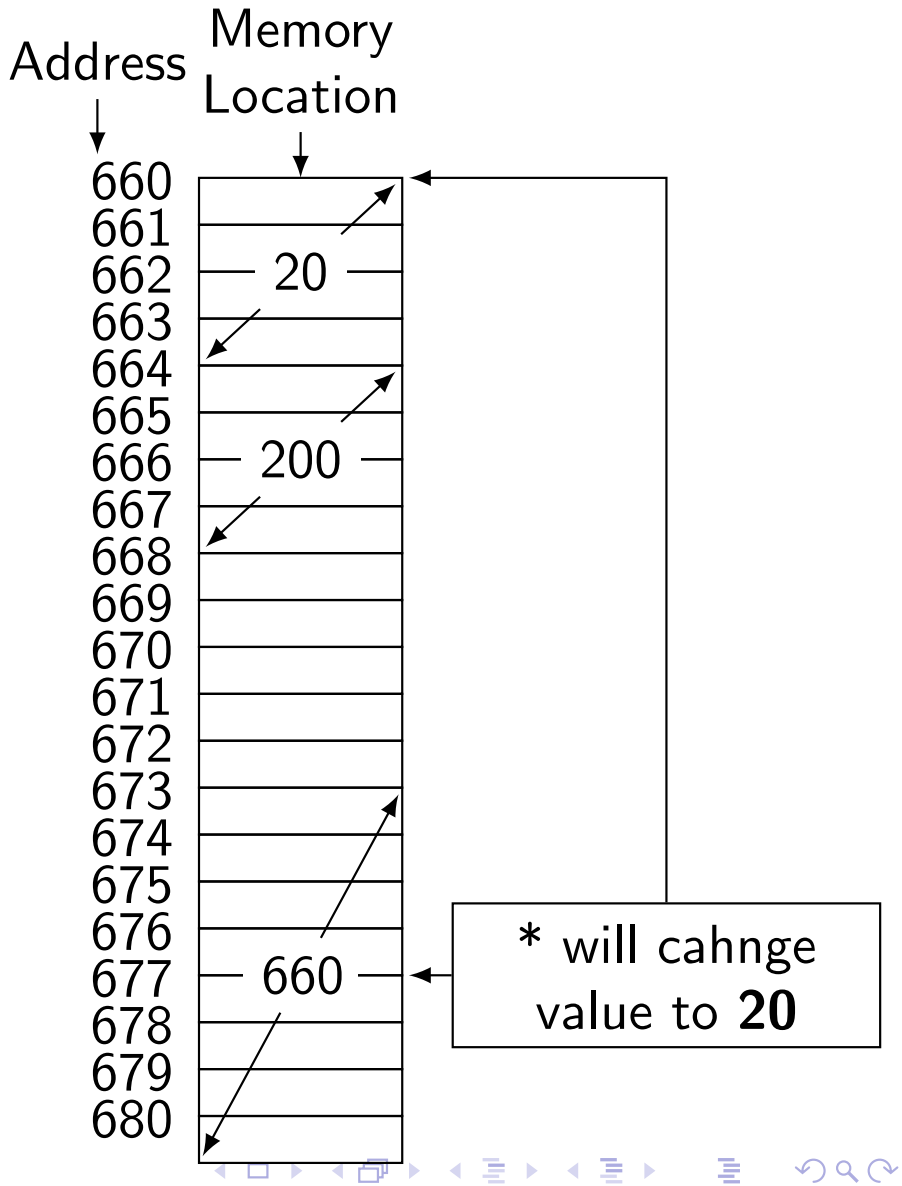

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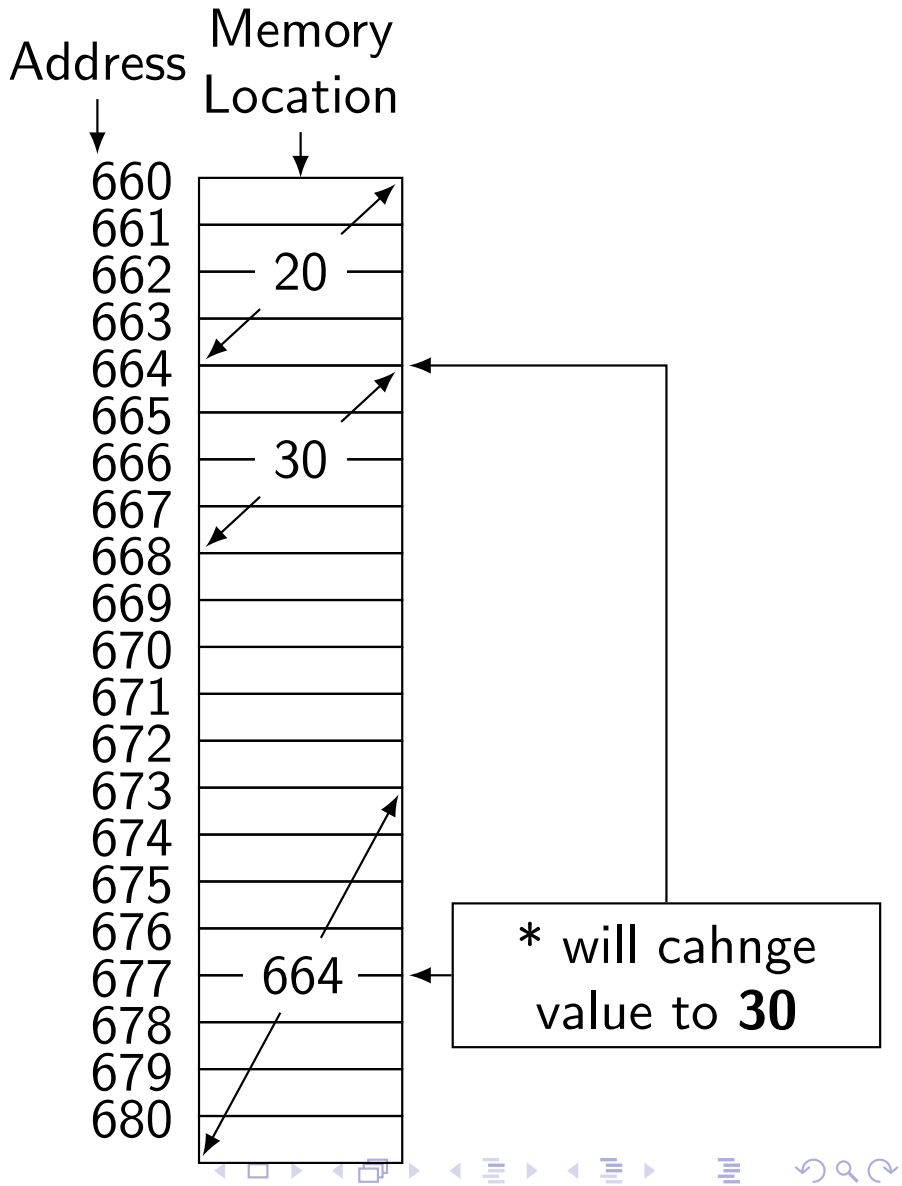

Printing the address stored by a pointer

%p ... or %d

```
int a=10;
printf("%p\n", &a);
int *p = &a;
printf("%p\n", p)

printf("%p\n", &p);??
```

Pointer arithmetic

+ -

```
int a=10;
printf("%p\n", &a);
int *p = &a;
printf("%p\n", p+1)?
```

How many *ints* I could hide in a single *double* ...
I should not ...

Function with arguments

Passed by value

- Only the value is send to a function

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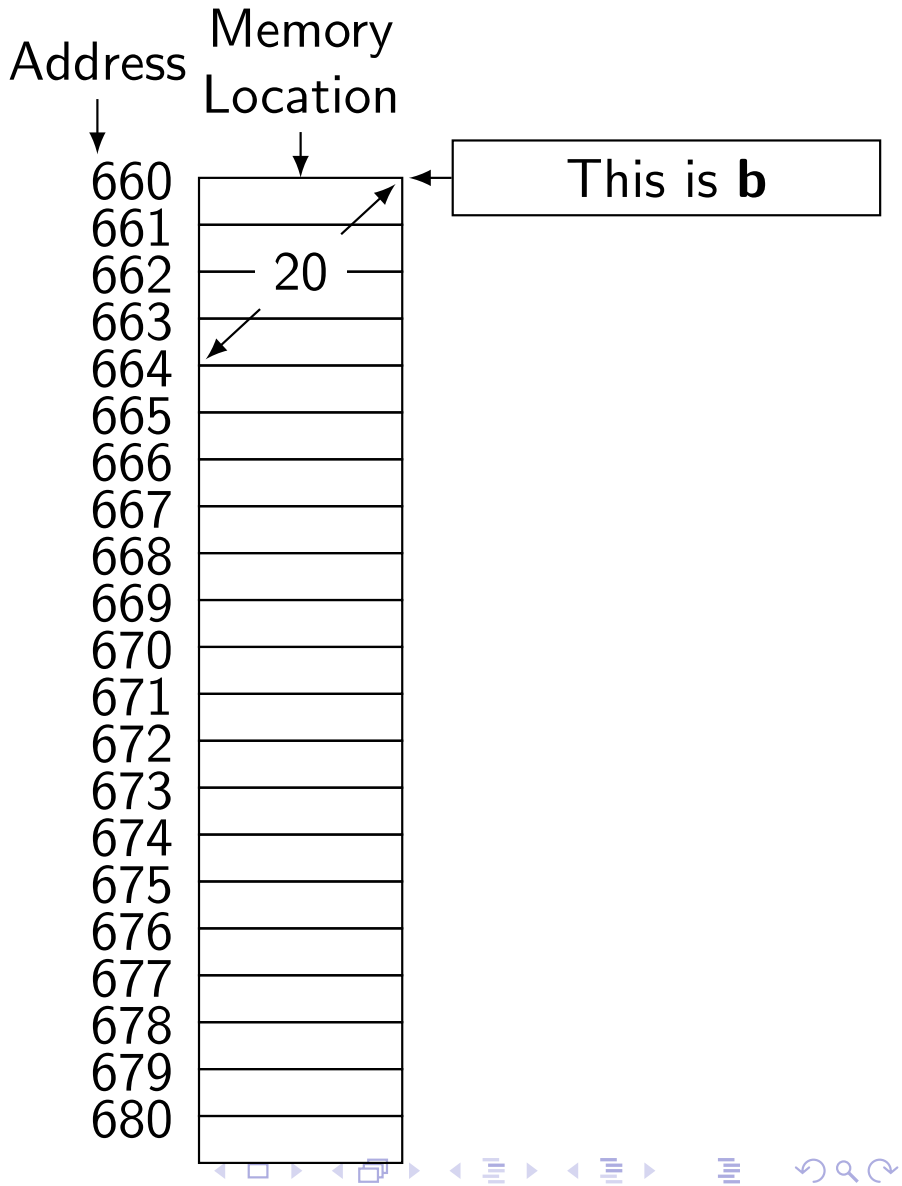

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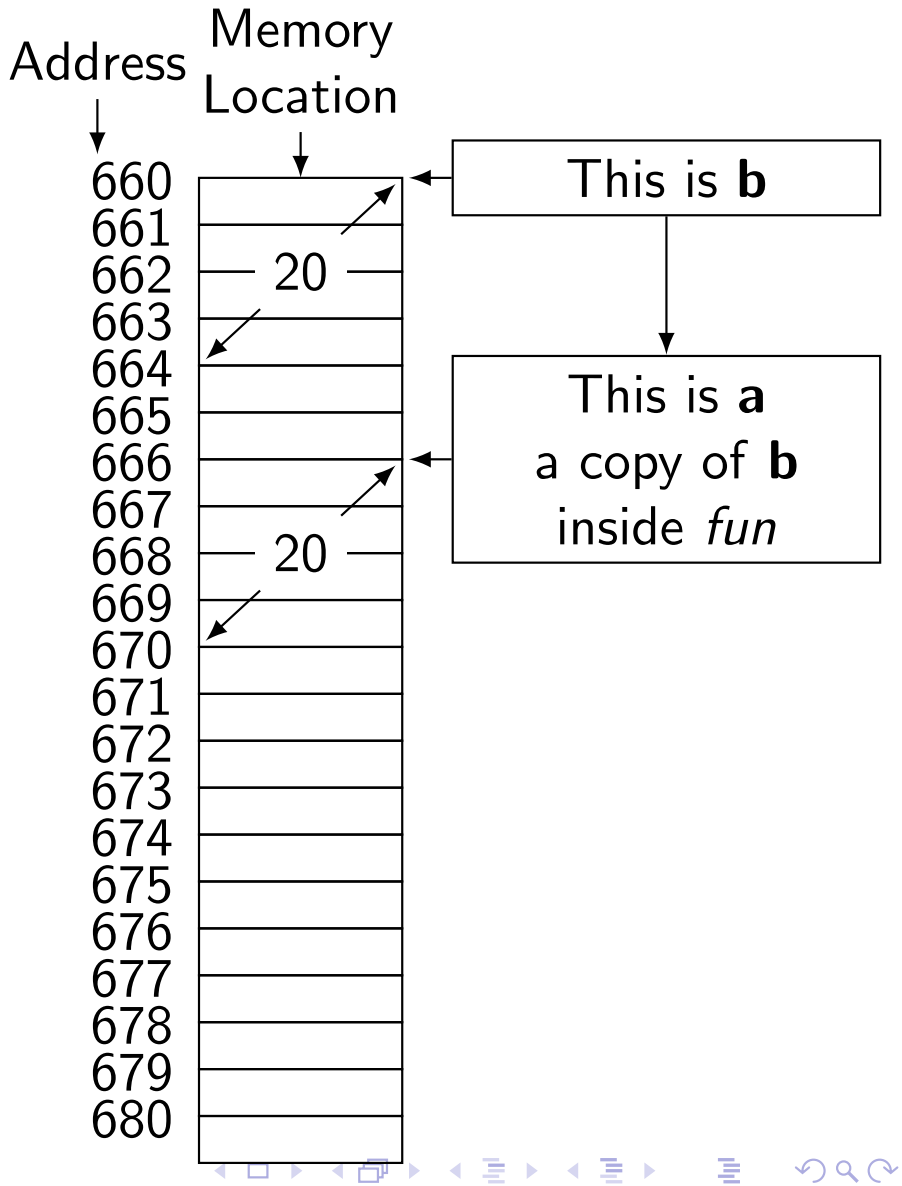

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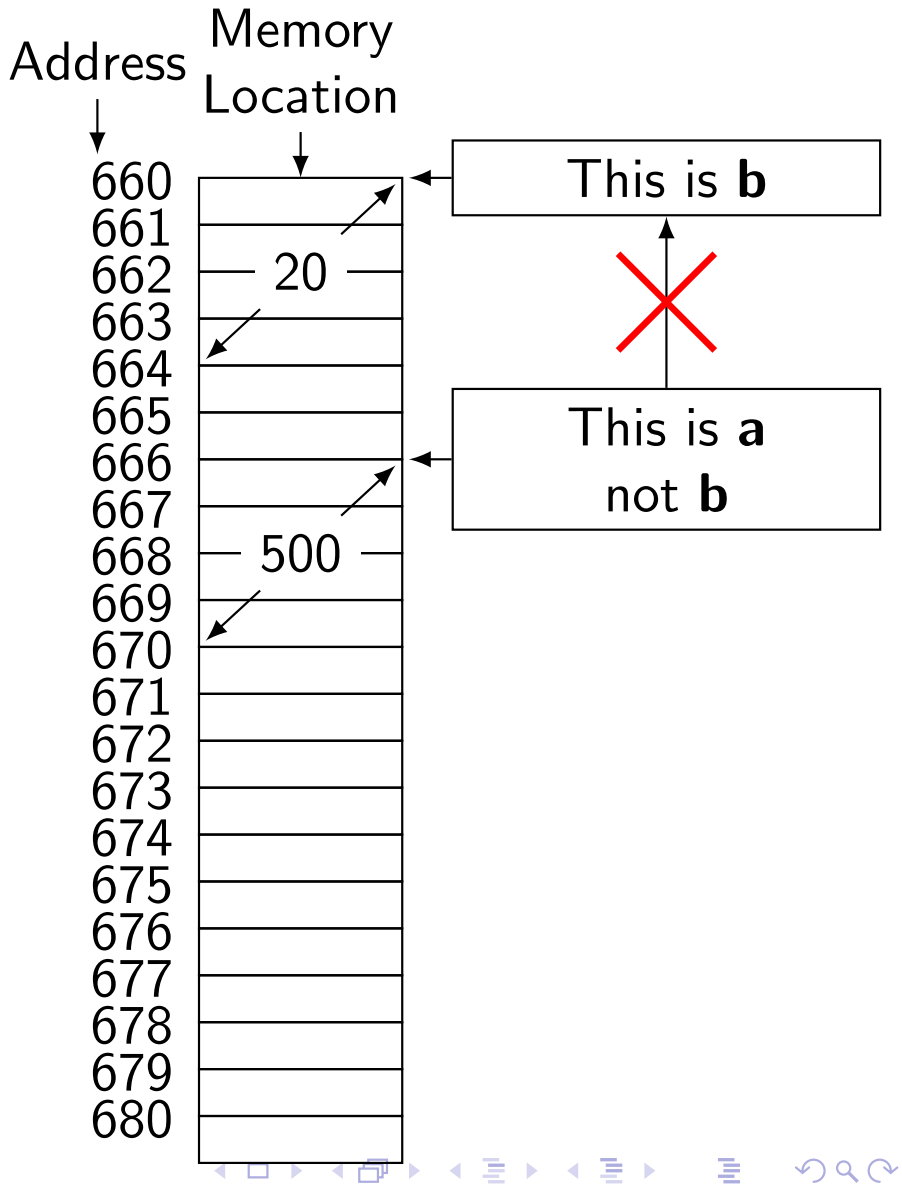

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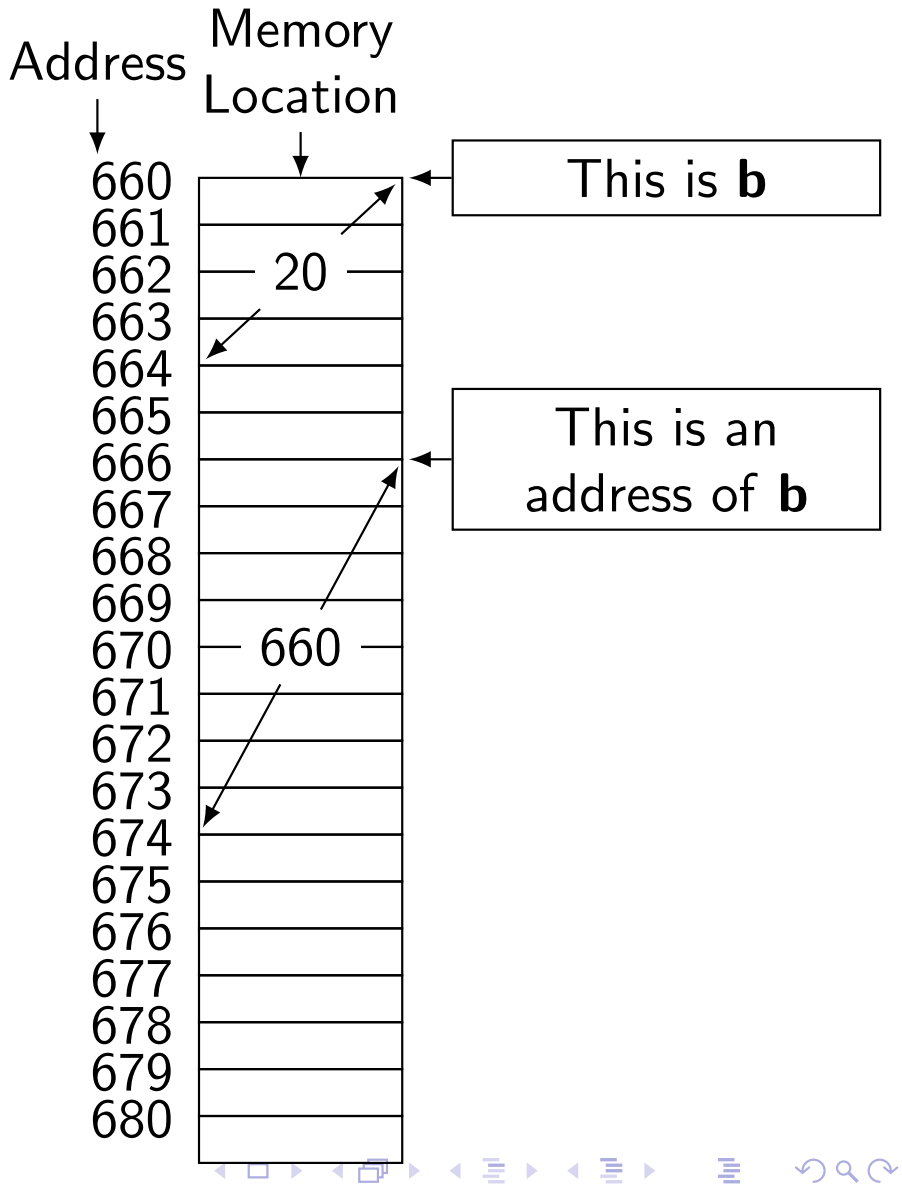

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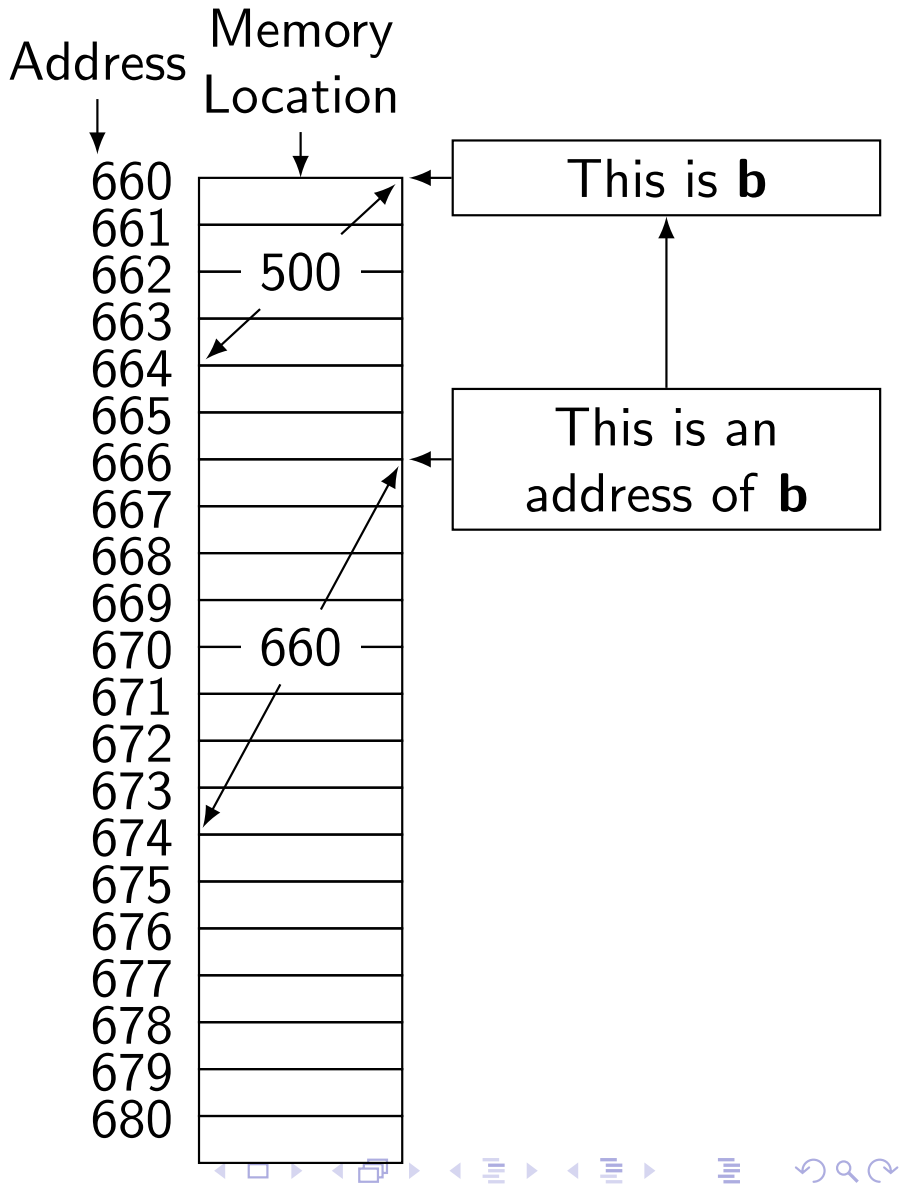

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