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/* Dynamic memory allocation (DMA) example of an Airplane structure.
   It shows a lot of ways to work with structs, arrays, addresses, and
   pointers.
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Here is the output from the program:

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sizeof(struct Airplane) = 68
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Using a pointer:      Flight 101 goes from Vancouver to Calgary
Not using a pointer: Flight 101 goes from Vancouver to Calgary

Using a pointer:      Flight 201 goes from Vancouver to Edmonton
Not using a pointer: Flight 201 goes from Vancouver to Edmonton

Using a pointer:      Flight 202 goes from Vancouver to Winnipeg
Not using a pointer: Flight 202 goes from Vancouver to Winnipeg

Using a pointer:      Flight 301 goes from Montreal to Toronto
Not using a pointer: Flight 301 goes from Montreal to Toronto

Using a pointer:      Flight 401 goes from Toronto to Vancouver
Not using a pointer: Flight 401 goes from Toronto to Vancouver

Using a pointer:      Flight 402 goes from Toronto to San Francisco
Not using a pointer: Flight 402 goes from Toronto to San Francisco

Using a pointer:      Flight 403 goes from Toronto to Los Angeles
Not using a pointer: Flight 403 goes from Toronto to Los Angeles

Using a pointer:      Flight 503 goes from New York to Calgary
Not using a pointer: Flight 503 goes from New York to Calgary

Using a pointer:      Flight 504 goes from Calgary to Fort McMurray
Not using a pointer: Flight 504 goes from Calgary to Fort McMurray
Press any key to continue . . .
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#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <string.h>
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#define MAX_CITY_LENGTH 32
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/* Define an Airplane data type. It holds an Airplane struct (record) of
   related information about one plane. */
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struct Airplane {
    int      flight_number;
    char     source[MAX_CITY_LENGTH]; /* array of characters */
    char     destination[MAX_CITY_LENGTH]; /* probably better to use DMA */
};
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/* Function prototypes */
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void print_airplane(struct Airplane plane); /* copy the struct */
void print_airplane_PTR(struct Airplane * plane); /* use a pointer instead */
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Airplane structs
Arrays
Addresses
Pointers
DMA

Output

An Airplane structure has 3 fields:

flight-number	source	destin.
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} we'll use a
pointer
for one of
the functions

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int main(void)
{
    /* AC = Air Canada; WJ = WestJet */
    struct Airplane AC; /* allocate one plane */
    struct Airplane WJ[10]; /* allocate an array of 10 planes */
    struct Airplane * dynamic_AC; /* point to one (or more) planes */
    struct Airplane * dynamic_AC2; /* point to one (or more) planes */
    struct Airplane * dynamic_WJ[10]; /* allocate an array of 10 POINTERS;
    EACH pointer will point to
    one (or more) planes */

    struct Airplane * temp_show_me[10];
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We'll show examples using different variables.

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printf("sizeof(struct Airplane) = %d\n", sizeof(struct Airplane));
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Example 1
①
AC

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/* Example 1: A stand-alone, statically (automatically), allocated record. */
AC.flight_number = 101;
strcpy(AC.source, "Vancouver"); /* strcpy_s would be more secure */
strcpy(AC.destination, "Calgary");
print_airplane_PTR(&AC); /* pass an address (pointer) across */
print_airplane(AC); /* copy the whole struct across */
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AC

101	Vancouver	Calgary
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WJ[10]
array of structs

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/* Example 2: A statically (automatically) allocated array.
We'll use 2 of the 10 structs in the array. */
/* Example 2a: We'll use the familiar, APSC 160 way [ ]. */
WJ[5].flight_number = 201;
strcpy(WJ[5].source, "Vancouver");
strcpy(WJ[5].destination, "Edmonton");
print_airplane_PTR(&WJ[5]); /* pass an address/pointer */
print_airplane(WJ[5]); /* pass the whole element (a struct) */

/* Example 2b: We'll use another popular way, using pointer arithmetic. */
(*(WJ + 6)).flight_number = 202; /* same as WJ[6] */
strcpy(*(WJ + 6).source, "Vancouver");
strcpy((WJ + 6)->destination, "Winnipeg"); /* also works */

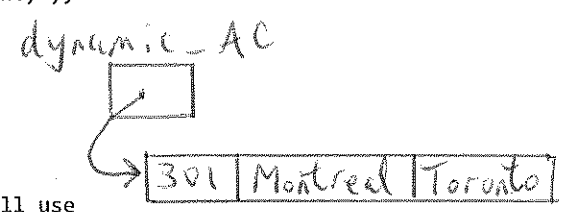
print_airplane_PTR(WJ + 6); /* pass an address */
print_airplane(*(WJ + 6)); /* pass the whole element */
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WJ

[0]	?	?	?
[1]	?	?	?
[2]	?	?	?
[3]	?	?	?
[4]	?	?	?
[5]	201	Vancouver	Edmonton
[6]	202	Vancouver	Winnipeg
[7]	?	?	?
[8]	?	?	?
[9]	?	?	?

③
dynamic_AC

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/* Example 3: Dynamically allocate exactly one plane. */
dynamic_AC = (struct Airplane *) malloc( 1 * sizeof(struct Airplane) );
dynamic_AC->flight_number = 301;
strcpy(dynamic_AC->source, "Montreal");
strcpy(dynamic_AC->destination, "Toronto");
print_airplane_PTR(dynamic_AC); /* pass an address */
print_airplane(*dynamic_AC); /* pass the actual struct */
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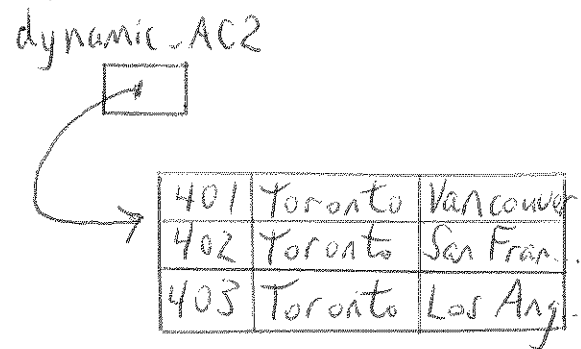


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dynamic_AC2

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/* Example 4: Dynamically allocate more than one plane, but still use
only one pointer. */
dynamic_AC2 = (struct Airplane *) malloc( 3 * sizeof(struct Airplane) );

dynamic_AC2[0].flight_number = 401;
// Above line is same as: (*(dynamic_AC2 + 0)).flight_number = 401; */
strcpy(dynamic_AC2[0].source, "Toronto");
strcpy(dynamic_AC2[0].destination, "Vancouver");
print_airplane_PTR(&dynamic_AC2[0]); /* pass an address */
print_airplane(dynamic_AC2[0]); /* pass the struct */

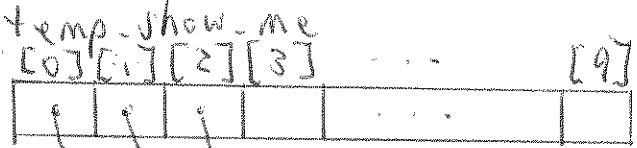
dynamic_AC2[1].flight_number = 402;
strcpy(dynamic_AC2[1].source, "Toronto");
strcpy(dynamic_AC2[1].destination, "San Francisco");
print_airplane_PTR(&dynamic_AC2[1]);
print_airplane(dynamic_AC2[1]);
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dynamic_AC2[2].flight_number = 403;
strcpy(dynamic_AC2[2].source, "Toronto");
strcpy(dynamic_AC2[2].destination, "Los Angeles");
print_airplane_PTR(&dynamic_AC2[2]);
print_airplane(dynamic_AC2[2]);
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/* The following dynamic_AC2 code, if uncommented, would likely crash the program. Why?
 Comment that set of lines, and set a breakpoint on the "= 404" line below to see what the variables look like in memory. Expand the memory locations in the debugger, and click on "Step Over".
 Note that temp_show_me[] is simply used to help visualize memory (if dynamic_AC2 doesn't show enough information). */

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temp_show_me[0] = &dynamic_AC2[0];
temp_show_me[1] = &dynamic_AC2[1];
temp_show_me[2] = &dynamic_AC2[2];
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/*
dynamic_AC2[3].flight_number = 404;
strcpy(dynamic_AC2[3].source, "Toronto");
strcpy(dynamic_AC2[3].destination, "Honolulu");
print_airplane_PTR(&dynamic_AC2[3]);
print_airplane(dynamic_AC2[3]);
*/
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dynamic_AC2

401	Toronto	Vancouver
402	Toronto	San Francisco
403	Toronto	Los Angeles

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/* Example 5: Use an array of pointers to airplane structs. EACH pointer can point to zero, one, or more dynamically allocated airplane structs. By "more", I mean an array of structs. */

dynamic_WJ[10]

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dynamic_WJ[0] = NULL; /* zero planes */
dynamic_WJ[1] = NULL;
dynamic_WJ[7] = (struct Airplane *) malloc( 5 * sizeof(struct Airplane) );
dynamic_WJ[8] = (struct Airplane *) malloc( 1 * sizeof(struct Airplane) );
dynamic_WJ[9] = (struct Airplane *) malloc( 100 * sizeof(struct Airplane) );
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/* Let's populate the 5th plane in the 5-element array pointed to by dynamic_WJ[7].

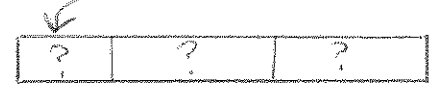
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P.S. Normally, you'd check the return code following the malloc call. */
dynamic_WJ[7][3].flight_number = 503;
strcpy(dynamic_WJ[7][3].source, "New York");
strcpy(dynamic_WJ[7][3].destination, "Calgary");
print_airplane_PTR(&dynamic_WJ[7][3]); /* pass the address */
print_airplane(dynamic_WJ[7][3]); /* pass the struct */
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dynamic_WJ

[0]	?	?	?
[1]	?	?	?
[2]	?	?	?
[4]	503	New York	Calgary
	504	Calgary	Fort M

/* Useful if setting a breakpoint below (say on the "= 504" line). Then, use the debugger's "Step Over" button to see the changes as they happen, in the (expanded) temp_show_me[] variable and the dynamic_WJ variable. */

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temp_show_me[0] = &dynamic_WJ[7][0];
temp_show_me[1] = &dynamic_WJ[7][1];
temp_show_me[2] = &dynamic_WJ[7][2];
temp_show_me[3] = &dynamic_WJ[7][3];
temp_show_me[4] = &dynamic_WJ[7][4];
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dynamic_WJ[7][4].flight_number = 504;
strcpy(dynamic_WJ[7][4].source, "Calgary");
strcpy(dynamic_WJ[7][4].destination, "Fort McMurray");
print_airplane_PTR(&dynamic_WJ[7][4]); /* pass the address */
print_airplane(dynamic_WJ[7][4]); /* pass the struct */
```

dynamic_WJ

[0]	?	?	?
[1]	?	?	?
[2]	?	?	?
[4]			
[99]	?	?	?

/* It's a good idea to free the memory when you're done with it. */

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/* ... */

system("pause");
return 0;
}

/* This function prints the airplane's info using call by value,
but without using a pointer in the parameter list. Thus, we
copy the whole struct into the function. */
void print_airplane(struct Airplane plane)
{
    printf("Not using a pointer: Flight %d ", plane.flight_number);
    /* The following line also works: */
    /* printf("Not using a pointer: Flight %d ", (&plane)->flight_number); */
    printf("goes from %s to %s\n", plane.source, plane.destination);
}

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} function
gets passed
a struct

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/* This function prints an airplane's info, using a pointer in the
parameter list. Thus, the airplane's struct isn't copied; only its
address is passed to the function. Informally, we sometimes refer to
this as "call by reference", but technically it's "call by value" using
pointers. */
void print_airplane_PTR(struct Airplane * plane)
{
    printf("\n");
    printf("Using a pointer: Flight %d ", plane->flight_number);
    /* printf("Flight %d ", (*plane).flight_number); */ /* also works */
    printf("goes from %s to %s\n", plane->source, plane->destination);
}

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} function
gets passed
a pointer