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Subject: Re: Naive pointer question ?

Posted by [btupper](#) on Fri, 25 Jan 2002 13:58:31 GMT

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On 24 Jan 2002 17:17:02 -0600, Craig Markwardt  
<craigmnet@cow.physics.wisc.edu> wrote:

> I think there are at least two cases where common blocks are  
> pretty nice.  
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> The first one is where you need a persistent store of information.  
> For example, CMPS\_FORM() keeps a list of printer configurations in a  
> common block. I also keep large tables in a common block, so they are  
> initialized only once to save CPU cycles. Any time you need a  
> procedure to "remember" something from one call to the next, common  
> blocks are actually a pretty good idea.  
>  
Howdy,

While reading Craig's description of this particular 'memory'  
advantage of common blocks, I realized that the word 'object' could be  
slipped into the place of 'common block'. Hmm.

Objectively yours,

Ben

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