
Subject: Re: dereferencing pointer arrays.
Posted by [Rochelle Hatton](#) on Thu, 06 Feb 2003 04:33:52 GMT
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It's always an obvious thing isn't it.
That's exactly what I am missing- a few extra brackets!
Thanks.

David Fanning wrote:

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>
> It doesn't even matter that you have pointer arrays:
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> IDL> ptrarray = ptrArr(2)
> IDL> ptrarray[0] = ptr
> IDL> bb = Assoc(lun, bytarr(64, 64, 15))
> IDL> ptrarray[1] = ptr_new(bb)
> IDL> vol = (*ptrarray[1])[0]
>
> I think the whole point of using the pointer in the previous
> context is that it was the only way to pass an associated variable
> in an info structure between widget program modules. There
> was no way to store the associate variable in the structure
> otherwise. It was the sort of thing that was likely to impress
> the IDL EPA committee, but pretty much useless otherwise. :-)
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> Cheers,
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> David
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> P.S. The alternative is to store the lun in the structure,
> and make the associated variable (using the lun) whenever you need it.
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