
Subject: Re: How to get numbers into passed structure elements
(pass-by-value/reference problem).

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On Wed, 27 Feb 2008 10:02:46 -0500, Paul van Delst

<Paul.vanDelst@noaa.gov> wrote:

```
> FUNCTION CRTM_Read_Atmosphere_Record, FileID    , $ ; Input
>           Atm    , $ ; Output
>           DEBUG=Debug ; Optional input
> ....
> FOR n = 0, Atm.n_Clouds-1 DO BEGIN
>   result = CRTM_Read_Cloud_Record( FileID, (*Atm.Cloud)[n], DEBUG=Debug )
>   ...check result....
> ENDFOR
```

So Atm.Cloud is a pointer to an array of structures. What if Atm.Cloud would be a pointer to an array of pointers (each pointing to one structure)? Then you could pass `(*Atm.Cloud)[n]`

However, you would lose the ability to do something like this:
`(*Atm.Cloud).Type` to get all types of clouds.
