

## TOPIC 5

# INTRODUCTION TO PICTURES



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## Outline

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- Pictures
- 1 Dimensional Arrays
- Pixels
- 2 Dimensional Arrays
- Colors

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## Pictures

### Picture objects

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- Recall: we can **create** a Picture object by

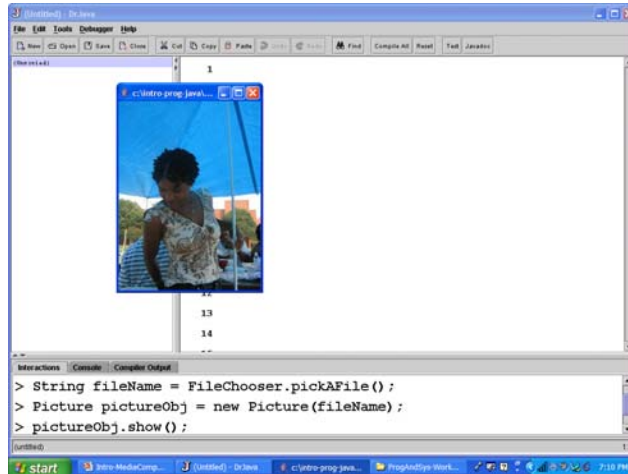
```
String fileName = FileChooser.pickAFile();
Picture pictureObj = new Picture (fileName);
```
- A Picture object has properties **width** and **height**
  - ▣ We can **get the picture width** (in pixels) using

```
pictureObj.getWidth()
```
  - ▣ We can **get the picture height** (in pixels) using

```
pictureObj.getHeight()
```

# Result

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## Arrays

## Motel California

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- Let's say you run a motel
- It is 1 story
- Lily, Marshal, Ted, Robyn, Sheldon and Howard come to get rooms
- To make it easier, you use the letters of their first name to remember them: L, M, T, R, S, H
- You need to pick what rooms from your motel you want to put them in
- Your rooms are numbered from 0 to 5 (you like to be creative)

Room Number:      0          1          2          3          4          5

Person:

L	M	R	T	S	H
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## Motel or Array?

- This motel is just like an array!
- An array is a way of storing items (just like we stored the people in the hotel)
- Each slot in an array is like a hotel room → it can only hold 1 item
- Each slot in an array is numbered like a hotel room → the numbers go from 0 → length-1
- Arrays make it easier to keep track and store lots of objects, just like a hotel makes it easier to store loads of people
- Arrays can be 1 dimensional (1 story, like our motel) or many dimensional

## 1D Arrays

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- An **array** is storage for a collection of items of the same type
- You can access the individual items by using an **index**
- The index **starts at 0**
  - ▣ The first item is at index **0**
  - ▣ The last item is at index **(length - 1)**

0	1	2	3	4	5
3	7	9	2	1	5

Example:

**int** array of **length 6**



## Creating arrays

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- Use the Java keyword **new**
- Example: **numbers = new int[6];**
  - ▣ This creates an array of 6 integers, and has our reference variable **numbers** refer to it
  - ▣ The reference variable **numbers** refers to the entire collection of integers
  - ▣ This does **not** store any data in the array
- We can declare and create in one statement:  
**int [ ] numbers = new int[6];**
- **Once we create an array, its size is fixed and we cannot change it**

# Arrays

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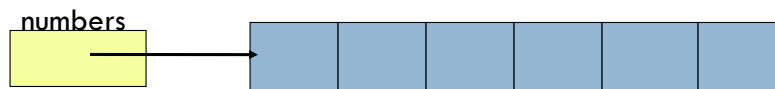
- In Java, **arrays behave like objects**
  - We need to declare a reference variable
  - We need to create the array object
- We **declare array reference variables** by  
`type[ ] name;`
- Example: `int[ ] numbers;`
  - ▣ This creates a reference variable called **numbers** that can be used to refer to an array of integers
  - ▣ But this does not actually create the array



## Creating arrays

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```
int[ ] numbers = new int[6];
```



## Array indexing

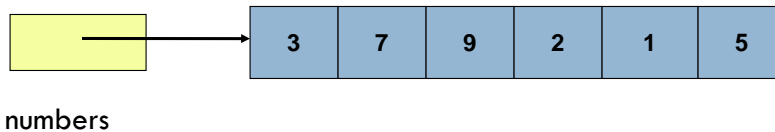
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- Each item of an array can be accessed individually, using **indexing** (like looking up a person by looking into their room number)
- Examples:
  - `numbers[0]` refers to the first element of the array (the element at position 0)
  - `numbers[1]` refers to the second element (the element at position 1)
  - ...
  - `numbers[i]` refers to the  $(i+1)$ th element (the element at position  $i$ )

## Storing in arrays

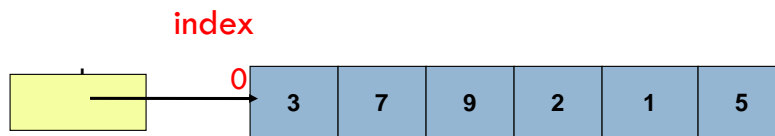
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```
numbers[0] = 3;  
numbers[1] = 7;  
numbers[2] = 9;  
numbers[3] = 2;  
numbers[4] = 1;  
numbers[5] = 5;
```



## Array indexing

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What would be printed by

```
System.out.println(numbers[0]);
```

How would we print the last item in the array?

## Initializing arrays

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- We can declare, create, and **initialize** an array in one statement
- Example:

```
int[ ] numbers = { 3, 7, 9, 2, 1, 5 };
```

  - ▣ This **creates** an array of 6 integers, and **sets the initial values** of the integers in the array according to the values specified
  - ▣ The **length of the array** is determined by the number of items listed



## Initializing arrays

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```
int[ ] numbers = { 3, 7, 9, 2, 1, 5 };
```

numbers



## Array size

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- Java remembers the size of arrays
  - An array object has a special **attribute** called **length**, which stores the size of the array
  - **Note: length is a variable, not a method!**
    - So there are no parentheses after **length**
- Example: `int arraySize = numbers.length;`
- Useful: to get the **last item** in an array, for example  
`int lastNumber = numbers[numbers.length - 1];`



## Array of Pictures

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- Lets practice using arrays by making an array of pictures
- `Picture[] myPicArray = new Picture[3];`
- Now lets make some picture objects:

```
String fileName1 = FileChooser.pickAFile();  
Picture picture1 = new Picture(fileName1);  
String fileName2 = FileChooser.pickAFile();  
Picture picture2 = new Picture(fileName2);  
String fileName3 = FileChooser.pickAFile();  
Picture picture3 = new Picture(fileName3);
```

What is the length of this array? Does it have anything stored in it?

## Array of Pictures

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- Lets fill up our array!
- ```
myPicArray[0] = picture1;  
myPicArray[1] = picture2;  
myPicArray[2] = picture3;
```

myPicArray

0

1

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## Array of Pictures

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- How would I access the picture of the green circle?

`myPicArray[2]`

- How would I see how long my array is?

`myPicArray.length;`



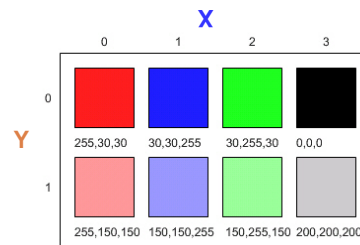
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## Pixels

## Picture as a grid of pixels

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- A picture is organized as a **grid (matrix) of pixels**
- The grid has **columns** and **rows**
- Each pixel has an **(x, y) position** in the grid
  - ▣ x specifies the **column**, starting at 0
  - ▣ y specifies the **row**, starting at 0



## The Pixel class

- We have a class called **Pixel** that models individual pixels
- Each object of the **Pixel** class has
  - ▣ An **(x,y) position** in a picture
    - x specifies the column, starting at 0
    - y specifies the row, starting at 0
  - ▣ A **red, green, and blue value**
    - Each is an integer between 0 and 255

## Creating Pixel objects

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- We can **get a pixel** at a specific location in a picture by using the **getPixel** method of the **Picture** class
- Example:  
`Pixel pixel1 = pictureObj.getPixel(0,0);`
  - ▣ This will **create a Pixel object** from the pixel in the picture at position 0,0
  - ▣ This is the top left-hand corner of the picture
  - ▣ It will store a reference to this Pixel object in the variable **pixel1**

## Manipulating Pixel objects

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- We can **get** and **set** the red, green and blue values of a Pixel object individually, using methods of the **Pixel** class
- Example of getting a pixel's color values:  
`int red = pixel1.getRed();`  
`int green = pixel1.getGreen();`  
`int blue = pixel1.getBlue();`
- Example of setting a pixel's color values:  
`pixel1.setRed(red+10);`  
`pixel1.setGreen(0);`  
`pixel1.setBlue(blue-10);`

## Pixel location in a picture

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- We can **get the pixel's location** in the grid of pixels that make up the Picture object:

**getX()**

- Returns its **x** position (the **column**)

**getY()**

- Returns its **y** position (the **row**)

- Example: what will be printed here?

```
System.out.println(pixel1.getX() + "," +  
                    pixel1.getY());
```

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## Two Dimension Arrays

## 2D Arrays

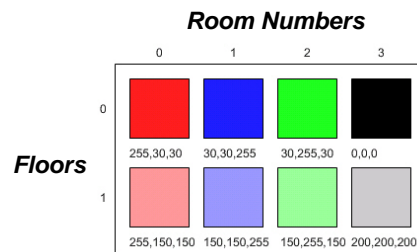
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- Early we saw 1D arrays as an example of a motel
- Now picture instead, the grid of pixels
- Its like a hotel for pixels, with multiple floors

Each pixel is in a different room that is specified both by the room and the floor

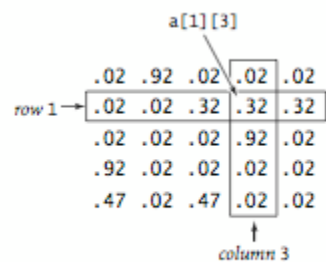
For example, the deep blue is in room 1, on floor 0

The gray is room 3 on floor 1



## 2D Arrays

- A 2D array is just like this hotel
- It is like a many arrays stacked on top of each other
- The picture to the side has a 2D array called "a"
- It has 5 arrays of numbers that are each 5 long
- You can still index to a particular number in the grid, but you have to say not just the column, but also the row it is in
- This is a great way to store pixels or objects represented in a matrix



Anatomy of a two-dimensional array

## Initializing 2D Arrays

- Instead of one set of square brackets, you use two to make a 2D array
- `int[][] twoDArray = new int[4][4];`
- This would make an array of 4 “rooms” and 4 “floors”
- In other words, a 4x4 matrix – 16 integer slots in total
- If you picture the grid of pixels, it makes sense to store it in a 2D array
- However in memory, 2D and 1D are very similar....
- (Copy down drawing from the board)



## 2D Array of Pixels

- If we were to make a 2D array of pixels, it might look like this:
- `Pixel[][] 2DPixel = new Pixel[200][200];`
- Then, after we put pixels into the array, we could access the pixel in a certain location (say column 4, row 19) by using:
- `Pixel pixelObject = 2DPixel[4][19];`
- More on how to best use 2D arrays later...



## 1D Arrays of pixels

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- The pixels can also be stored as one long sequence, in a 1D array
- In this case, at the end of a row the next row just gets tagged on, and so on, and so on until each pixel is in the array
- In other words:
  - The pixels from the first row of the grid go in the array
  - Followed by the pixels from the second row
  - Etc.

To get the pixels from the picture in a 1D array:

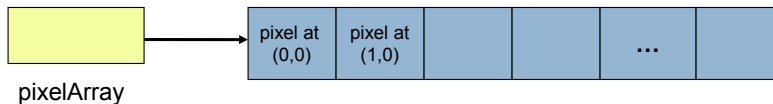
```
Pixel[] pixelArray = pictureObj.getPixels();
```

## Arrays of pixels

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This code would look like:

```
Pixel[] pixelArray = pictureObj.getPixels();
```



This creates an array of **Pixel** objects.

Note that each element of the array is actually a **reference** to a **Pixel** object.



## Pixel objects from a Pixel array

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- Just like before, we use **indexing** to get **Pixel** objects from the 1D pixel array
- For example, to get the **first pixel**:
  - `Pixel pixelObj = pixelArray[0];`
- To get the **nth pixel**:
  - `Pixel pixelObjn = pixelArray[n];`

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## Colors

## The Color class

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- Recall the class defined in Java that represents color:
  - The **Color** class in the **package java.awt**
    - A package is a group of related classes
  - To use the class, you must either use
    - The full name **java.awt.Color**
    - Or, much easier, use the **import** statement **import java.awt.Color;**
      - Then you can just use the class name **Color** (without needing the name of the package as well)
      - In a Java program, **import** statements go at the beginning of the source file

## Predefined Colors

- The Color class has defined class constants for many colors
  - Color.red, Color.green, Color.blue, Color.black, Color.white, Color.yellow, Color.gray, Color.orange, Color.pink, Color.cyan, Color.magenta
  - Or you can use all uppercase names: Color.RED, Color.BLUE, Color.BLACK, ...



## Color objects

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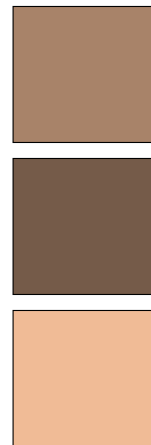
- You can create a Color object by giving the red, green, and blue values
- Example:  
`Color colorObj = new Color(255,10,125);`

## Making colors lighter or darker

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- The Color class has methods for making a Color object lighter or darker:  
`colorObj.brighter();`  
`colorObj.darker();`
- Example in Interactions pane:  

```
> import java.awt.Color;  
> Color testColor = new Color(168,131,105);  
> System.out.println(testColor);  
> Color darkColor = testColor.darker();  
> System.out.println(darkColor);  
> Color brightColor = testColor.brighter();  
> System.out.println(brightColor);
```



## Getting and setting Pixel colors

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- To get a Pixel's color as a Color object:  

```
Color color1 = pixelObj.getColor();  
int red = color1.getRed();  
int green = color1.getGreen();  
int blue = color1.getBlue();
```
- To set a Pixel's color using a new Color object:  

```
Color color2 = new Color(red+10, 0, blue-10);  
pixelObj.setColor(color2);
```

## Choosing a Color

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- You can also get a color by using the following method:  

```
ColorChooser.pickAColor()
```
- You can use this anywhere you would have used a Color object
- Example:

```
Color pickedColor = ColorChooser.pickAColor();  
pixelObj.setColor(pickedColor);
```



## Pixel recap

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```
import java.awt.Color;
String fileName = FileChooser.pickAFile();
Picture pictureObj = new Picture(fileName);
pictureObj.show();
Pixel [] pixelArray = pictureObj.getPixels();
Pixel pixelObj = pixelArray[0];
int red = pixelObj.getRed();
int green = pixelObj.getGreen();
int blue = pixelObj.getBlue();
System.out.println("r = " + red + ", g = " + green
                  + ", b = " + blue);
```

## Pixel recap

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```
Color colorObj = pixelObj.getColor();
red = colorObj.getRed();
green = colorObj.getGreen();
blue = colorObj.getBlue();
System.out.println("r = " + red + ", g = " + green
                  + ", b = " + blue);
```

- ▣ In what class are these methods `getRed`, `getGreen`, `getBlue` defined?
- ▣ In what class are the methods `getRed`, `getGreen`, `getBlue` on the previous slide defined?

## Changing colors in a picture

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- We have seen how to change the color of a pixel in a picture
- But you won't see any change in the picture until you **repaint the picture** by  
`pictureObj.repaint();`
- Another way to do this is by `pictureObj.show();`

## Changing a Picture Exercise

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```
import java.awt.Color;
String fileName = FileChooser.pickAFile();
Picture pictureObj = new Picture(fileName);
pictureObj.show();
pictureObj.getPixel(10,100).setColor(Color.black);
pictureObj.getPixel(11,100).setColor(Color.black);
pictureObj.getPixel(12,100).setColor(Color.black);
pictureObj.getPixel(13,100).setColor(Color.black);
pictureObj.getPixel(14,100).setColor(Color.black);
pictureObj.getPixel(15,100).setColor(Color.black);
pictureObj.getPixel(16,100).setColor(Color.black);
pictureObj.getPixel(17,100).setColor(Color.black);
pictureObj.getPixel(18,100).setColor(Color.black);
pictureObj.getPixel(19,100).setColor(Color.black);
pictureObj.repaint();
```

## Saving changes to pictures

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- After manipulating a picture, we can save our results to a file:

```
pictureObj.write("newPicture.jpg");
```

- You can specify a full path so you know exactly where it is saved, for example:

```
pictureObj.write("Z:/jane/MyPictures/newPicture.jpg");
```

- Or you can use the FileChooser here too:

```
String fileName = FileChooser.pickAFile();
```

```
pictureObj.write(fileName);
```

## Summary

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- Java
  - ▣ Arrays
- Pictures
  - ▣ Picture as an array of Pixel objects
- Pixels
  - ▣ Getting/setting red, green, blue values of pixel
  - ▣ Getting/setting color of pixel as a Color object



## Key Notes

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- 1D arrays
  - Go from 0 → length-1
  - Created using: `type[] varName = new type[length]`
  - Can store many things in an array → integers, strings, pixels, pictures, etc.
- Pixels in a grid make up a picture
  - They have a row and a column #
  - `Pixel pixelName = pictureObj.getPixel();`
- 2D arrays
  - `type[][] varName = new type[#][#]`