



EECS 183 Discussion

ARRAYS





Arrays

- An array is a collection of items of the same data type that are stored sequentially in memory
- Arrays are indexed starting at 0
- When passed into a function, they are **ALWAYS** passed by reference
 - This is the default for arrays: you don't need an & to pass an array by reference
 - Arrays are the only thing in c++ for which reference is the default. You will learn more when we cover pointers

Arrays cont:

- You can think of an array like it is an apartment complex:
 - The whole apartment complex has a name, but each unit has a numeric address

```
int highlandApts[3] = {22, 33, 12};
```

highlandApts



Index	0 – highlandApts[0]	1	2
Contents	22	33	12

Array Declaration Syntax

```
int arr[5];
```

```
char letters[3] = {'a', 'b', 'c'};
```

```
const int MAX_SIZE = 4; //need the const  
int array[MAX_SIZE] = {4};
```

//Array size MUST be known at compile time

Arrays in Memory

```
int num0 = 0;  
int num1 = 1;  
int num2 = 2;
```

IN MEMORY:

*int num0 : 0
int num1 : 1
int num2 : 2*

```
int num[3] = {0, 1, 2};
```

IN MEMORY:

```
int num[0] : 0  
int num[1] : 1  
int num[2] : 2
```

Functions and arrays!!

```
const int SIZE = 4;

int main() {
    int nums[] = {1, 2, 3, 2};
    int size = 3;
    multBy3(nums, size);
    printArray(nums, 3);
}
```

//What does this print?

3, 6, 9

```
void multBy3(int arr[SIZE], int
size) {
    int i = 0;
    for ( ; i < size; ++i) {
        arr[i] *= 3;
    }
}
```

```
void printArray(int arr[SIZE],
int size) {
    int i = 0;
    for ( ; i < size, ++i) {
        cout << arr[i] << ", ";
    }
}
```

Strings as Arrays


By definition, a string is just an array of characters. Thus, they can be used exactly like arrays in many ways

```
string cool = "EECS ROCKS!";  
cout << cool[0]; //prints E
```

```
//What does this print?  
int end = cool.length();  
for (int i = 0; i < end; ++i) {  
  
    cout << cool[i];  
  
}
```



Pass by Const Reference

- `int foo(const int &a, const double arr[SIZE]);`
 - When to use const ref?
 - If you don't want to modify the array being passed to a function.
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Does this compile?

```
int bar(const int  
    ar[SIZE]) {  
    ar[14] = 4;  
    return ar[14];  
}
```

```
int main() {  
    int ar[] = {24};  
  
    cout << bar(ar);  
}
```

Multidimensional Arrays

- A 2D array is basically a grid

- Syntax:

```
const int ROWS = 3;  
const int COLUMNS = 4;  
int multi[ROWS][COLUMNS] = {0};
```

//What does multi now contain?

```
for (int i = 0; i < ROWS; ++i) {  
    for (int s = 0; s < COLS, ++s) {  
        multi[i][s] = i + s;  
    }  
}
```