

- Chapter 4

- Methods, arrays and references**

# Method Definitions

- Methods belong to a class
  - Defined inside the class
- *Heading*
  - Return type (e.g. `int`, `float`, `void`)
  - Name (e.g. `nextInt`, `println`)
  - Parameters (e.g. `println(...)` )
  - More...
- *Body*
  - enclosed in braces `{ }`.
  - Declarations and/or statements.

# The Method `main`

- A program
  - a class that has a method named `main`.
  - Execution begins in the `main` method
- So far
  - no attributes (instance variables)
  - no methods other than method `main`.

----- Person.java ----- defining Person -----

```
public class Person
{
    private String _name;
    private String _iceCream;

    public void setName(String newName)
    {
        this._name = newName;    // this. is optional
    }

    public void setIceCream(String newIceCream)    { ... }

    public void print()
    {
        System.out.println(this._name + " likes " + this._IceCream); // this. optional
    }
}
```

----- PersonTest.java ----- using Person -----

```
public class PersonTest
{
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        Person joe = new Person();
        joe.setName("Joseph");
        joe.setIceCream("Rocky Road");

        Person mary = new Person();
        mary.setName("Mary");
        mary.setIceCream("Chocolate Fudge");
        mary.print();
    }
}
```

# Example

- class SpeciesFirstTry

```
import java.util.*;
public class SpeciesFirstTry
{
    public String name;
    public int population;
    public double growthRate;
    public void readInput()
    {
        Scanner keyboard = new Scanner(System.in);
        System.out.println("What is the species' name?");
        name = keyboard.nextLine();
        System.out.println("What is the population of the species?");
        population = keyboard.nextInt();
        while (population < 0)
        {
            System.out.println("Population cannot be negative.");
            System.out.println("Reenter population:");
            population = keyboard.nextInt();
        }
        System.out.println(
            "Enter growth rate (percent increase per year):");
        growthRate = keyboard.nextDouble();
    }
}
```

*We will give a better version of this class later in this chapter.*

*Later in this chapter you will see that the modifier public should be replaced with private.*

```
public void writeOutput()
{
    System.out.println("Name = " + name);
    System.out.println("Population = " + population);
    System.out.println("Growth rate = " + growthRate + "%");
}

public int populationIn10()
{
    double populationAmount = population;
    int count = 10;
    while ((count > 0) && (populationAmount > 0))
    {
        populationAmount = (populationAmount +
            (growthRate/100) * populationAmount);
        count--;
    }
    if (populationAmount > 0)
        return (int)populationAmount;
    else
        return 0;
}
```

*(int) is a type cast, as discussed in Chapter 2.*

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A Class Definition



# Example, contd.

- `class SpeciesFirstTryDemo`

```
public class SpeciesFirstTryDemo
{
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        SpeciesFirstTry speciesOfTheMonth = new SpeciesFirstTry();
        int futurePopulation;

        System.out.println("Enter data on the Species of the Month:");
        speciesOfTheMonth.readInput();
        speciesOfTheMonth.writeOutput();

        futurePopulation = speciesOfTheMonth.populationIn10();
        System.out.println("In ten years the population will be "
                           + futurePopulation);

        speciesOfTheMonth.name = "Klingon ox";
        speciesOfTheMonth.population = 10;
        speciesOfTheMonth.growthRate = 15;
        System.out.println("The new Species of the Month:");
        speciesOfTheMonth.writeOutput();
        System.out.println("In ten years the population will be "
                           + speciesOfTheMonth.populationIn10());
    }
}
```

Sample Screen Dialog

```
Enter data on the Species of the Month:
What is the species' name?
Ferengie fur ball
What is the population of the species?
1000
Enter growth rate (percent increase per year):
-20.5
Name = Ferengie fur ball
Population = 1000
Growth rate = -20.5%
In ten years the population will be 100
The new Species of the Month:
Name = Klingon ox
Population = 10
Growth rate = 15.0%
In ten years the population will be 40
```

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Using Classes and Methods

- Each object of type `SpeciesFirstTry` has its own values for the three attributes

# Two Types of Methods

## 1. Return a value

- `next = keyboard.nextInt();`
- `keyboard` is the *calling object*.

## 2. Don't return a value, called *void method*

- `System.out.println("Enter data:");`
- `System.out` is the calling object

# void Method Definitions

- example

```
public void writeOutput()    //heading
{    //body
    System.out.println("Name: " + name);
    System.out.println("Age: " + age);
}
```



# Using `return` in a `void` Method

- form

```
return;
```

- usage

- end the invocation of the method prematurely for dealing with some problem

- caution

- better ways to deal with a potential problem (“exceptions”) [later...]

# Defining Methods That Return a Value

- example

```
public float density(float area) // heading
{ // body
    return population / area;
}
```

# Defining Methods That Return a Value, cont.

- must contain *return statement*

`return Expression;`

- *Expression* must have a type that matches the return type
- multiple `return` statements are allowed
  - a single `return` statement is better (one exit point for the method).



# Naming Methods

- Use a verb to name methods
  - Actions
  - getBalance, deposit, changeAddress
- Start a method name with a lowercase letter.

# public Method Definitions

- syntax for a `void` method

```
public void methodName(parameters)
{
    <statement(s)>
}
```



# public Method Definitions

- syntax for methods that return a value

```
public returnType methodName(parameters)
{
    <statement(s), including a
    return statement>
}
```

# Local Variables

- Declared within a method
  - “local to” (confined to) the method definition
  - can't be accessed outside the method
- *Not attributes (instance variables)*

# Local Variables, cont.

- class BankAccount
- class LocalVariablesDemoProgram

```
/**
 * This class is used in the program LocalVariablesDemoProgram.
 */
public class BankAccount
{
    public double amount;
    public double rate;

    public void showNewBalance()
    {
        double newAmount = amount + (rate/100.0)*amount;
        System.out.println("With interest added the new amount is $"
            + newAmount);
    }
}

/**
 * A toy program to illustrate how local variables behave.
 */
public class LocalVariablesDemoProgram
{
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        BankAccount myAccount = new BankAccount();
        myAccount.amount = 100.00;
        myAccount.rate = 5;

        double newAmount = 800.00;
        myAccount.showNewBalance();
        System.out.println("I wish my new amount were $" + newAmount);
    }
}
```

This class definition goes in a file named BankAccount.java

This program goes in a file named LocalVariablesDemoProgram.java

Two different variables named newAmount

This does not change the value of the variable newAmount in main

Screen Output

With interest added the new amount is \$105.0  
I wish my new amount were \$800.0

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Local Variables

# Passing Values to a Method: Parameters

- Input values for methods (within the program, not from user)
  - *passed values or parameters*
- More flexibility for methods
- *formal* parameters
  - Part of method definition
  - After the method name, within parentheses
    - *type*
    - *name*
- *arguments*, or *actual* parameters
  - Calling a method with an object within the parentheses
    - matching data type
    - in the same order

# Formal vs Actual Parameters

```
public static void main(String[] args)
{
    print("George Bush");
}
```

```
public static void print(String name)
{
    System.out.print("The name is: " + name);
}
```



# Scope of Formal Parameters

- Start: begin of the method
- End: end of the method

```
public float square(float num)
{ // begin of num's scope
  ...
} // end of num's scope
```

# Parameter Passing Example

```
//Definition of method to double an integer  
public int doubleValue(int numberIn)  
{  
    return 2 * numberIn;  
}
```

```
//Invocation of the method... somewhere in main...  
...  
int next = keyboard.nextInt();  
System.out.println(someObj.doubleValue(next));
```

- What is the formal parameter in the method definition?
  - numberIn
- What is the argument (actual parameter) in the method invocation?
  - next

# Pass-By-Value:

## Primitive Data Types as Parameters

- When the method is called
  - *value* of each argument is ***copied*** (assigned) to its corresponding formal parameter
- Formal parameters
  - initialized to the values passed
  - local to their method
- Variables used as arguments cannot be changed by the method
  - the method only gets a copy of the variable's value

# Example for Pass-by-Value

```
public static void main(String[] args)
{
    int x = 10, num = 20;
    int sq = MyClass.square(x);
    System.out.println(x);
    System.out.println(num);
}

public static int square(int num)
{
    num = num * num;
    return num;
}
```

# Arguments to Methods

- An argument in a method invocation can be
  - a literal such as 2 or 'A'
  - a variable
  - an expression that yields a value  
[technically a literal or variable is also an “expression”]



# Example for Pass-by-Value

```
public static void main(String[] args)
{
    int x = 10, area;
    area = MyClass.square(x);
    area = MyClass.square(5);
    area = MyClass.square(x + 5 % 2);
}

public static int square(int num)
{
    return num * num;
}
```

# Multiple Arguments to Methods

```
anObject.doStuff(42, 100, 9.99, 'Z');  
public void doStuff(int n1, int n2, double d1, char c1);
```

- arguments and formal parameters are matched by position
- Corresponding types need to match



# Method with a Parameter

- class SpeciesSecondTry

```
import java.util.*;

public class SpeciesSecondTry
{
    public String name;
    public int population;
    public double growthRate;

    public void readInput()
    {
        <The definition of the method readInput is the same as in Display 4.3.>
    }

    public void writeOutput()
    {
        <The definition of the method writeOutput is the same as in Display 4.3.>
    }
}
```

*Later in the chapter, you will see that the modifier public should be replaced with private.*

```
/**
 * Returns the projected population of the calling object
 * after the specified number of years.
 */
public int projectedPopulation(int years)
{
    double populationAmount = population;
    int count = years;
    while ((count > 0) && (populationAmount > 0))
    {
        populationAmount = (populationAmount +
                             (growthRate/100) * populationAmount);
        count ;
    }
    if (populationAmount > 0)
        return (int)populationAmount;
    else
        return 0;
}
```

*We will give an even better version of the class later in the chapter.*

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A Method with a Parameter

# Using a Method with a Parameter

- `class SpeciesSecondTryDemo`

```
/**
 * Demonstrates the use of a parameter
 * with the method projectedPopulation.
 */
public class SpeciesSecondTryDemo
{
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        SpeciesSecondTry speciesOfTheMonth = new SpeciesSecondTry();
        int futurePopulation;

        System.out.println("Enter data on the Species of the Month:");
        speciesOfTheMonth.readInput();
        speciesOfTheMonth.writeOutput();

        futurePopulation = speciesOfTheMonth.projectedPopulation(10);
        System.out.println("In ten years the population will be " +
                           futurePopulation);

        speciesOfTheMonth.name = "Klingon ox";
        speciesOfTheMonth.population = 10;
        speciesOfTheMonth.growthRate = 15;
        System.out.println("The new Species of the Month:");
        speciesOfTheMonth.writeOutput();
        System.out.println("In ten years the population will be " +
                           speciesOfTheMonth.projectedPopulation(10));
    }
}
```

Sample Screen Dialog

*The dialog is exactly the same as  
in Display 4.4.*

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Using a Method with a Parameter

# Access specifiers for Methods

- public
- private
- protected



# Method Modifiers

- static
- abstract
- final
- native
- synchronized
- volatile

# Class Constructors

- Special method used to initialize member variables of the class
- Same name as the Class name and does not have a return type
- Called when an object is created
- Types:
  - Explicit constructors
  - Implicit constructors





# Arrays in JAVA

# Declaring an Array Variable

- Do not have to create an array while declaring array variable
  - `<type> [] variable_name;`
  - `int [] prime;`
  - `int prime[];`
- Both syntaxes are equivalent
- No memory allocation at this point

# Defining an Array

- Define an array as follows:
  - `variable_name=new <type>[N];`
  - `primes=new int[10];`
- Declaring and defining in the same statement:
  - `int[] primes=new int[10];`
- In JAVA, int is of 4 bytes, total space= $4*10=40$  bytes

- Declaring and defining in the same statement: (Khai báo mảng)

Kiểu dữ liệu    tên\_mảng = new Kiểu dữ liệu [];

- Ví dụ: `int[] primes=new int[10];`  
`double [] mangA = new double [100];`



# Graphical Representation

prime

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
2	1	11	-9	2	1	11	90	101	2

Index

value

The diagram illustrates an array structure. The top row represents the indices from 0 to 9. The bottom row represents the corresponding values. A label 'prime' points to the value at index 0 (2). A label 'Index' points to the index 9. A label 'value' points to the value 101 at index 8.

# What happens if ...

- We define
  - `int[] prime=new long[20];`  
MorePrimes.java:5: incompatible types  
found: long[]  
required: int[]  
`int[] primes = new long[20];`  
          ^
- The right hand side defines an array, and thus the array variable should refer to the same type of array

# What happens if ...

- We define
  - `int prime[100];`  
MorePrimes.java:5: ']' expected  
`long primes[20];`  
    ^
- The C++ style is not permitted in JAVA syntax

# What happens if ...

- Valid code:

```
int k=7;
```

```
long[] primes = new long[k];
```

- Invalid Code:

```
int k;
```

```
long[] primes = new long[k];
```

*Compilation Output:*

MorePrimes.java:6: variable k might not have been initialized

```
long[] primes = new long[k];
```

^

# Array Size through Input

....

```
BufferedReader stdin = new BufferedReader (new InputStreamReader(System.in));
```

```
String inData;
```

```
int  num;
```

```
System.out.println("Enter a Size for Array:");
```

```
inData = stdin.readLine();
```

```
num  = Integer.parseInt( inData ); // convert inData to int
```

```
long[] primes = new long[num];
```

```
System.out.println("Array Length="+primes.length);
```

....

## **SAMPLE RUN:**

Enter a Size for Array:

4

Array Length=4

# Default Initialization

- When array is created, array elements are initialized
  - Numeric values (int, double, etc.) to 0
  - Boolean values to false
  - Char values to '\u0000' (unicode for blank character)
  - Class types to null



# Accessing Array Elements

- Index of an array is defined as
  - Positive int, byte or short values
  - Expression that results into these types
- Any other types used for index will give error
  - long, double, etc.
  - Incase Expression results in long, then type cast to int
- Indexing starts from 0 and ends at N-1  
`primes[2]=0;`  
`int k = primes[2];`  
...

# Validating Indexes

- JAVA checks whether the index values are valid at runtime
  - If index is negative or greater than the size of the array then an `IndexOutOfBoundsException` will be thrown
  - Program will normally be terminated unless handled in the `try {} catch {}`

# What happens if ...

```
long[] primes = new long[20];
```

```
primes[25]=33;
```

```
....
```

*Runtime Error:*

Exception in thread "main" java.lang.ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsException: 25

at MorePrimes.main(MorePrimes.java:6)

# Reusing Array Variables

- Array variable is separate from array itself
  - Like a variable can refer to different values at different points in the program
  - Use array variables to access different arrays

```
int[] primes=new int[10];
```

```
.....
```

```
primes=new int[50];
```

- Previous array will be discarded
- Cannot alter the type of array

# Initializing Arrays

- Initialize and specify size of array while declaring an array variable

```
int[] primes={2,3,5,7,11,13,17}; //7 elements
```

- You can initialize array with an existing array

```
int[] even={2,4,6,8,10};
```

```
int[] value=even;
```

- One array but two array variables!
- Both array variables refer to the same array
- Array can be accessed through either variable name



# Graphical Representation

even

value

0	1	2	3	4
2	4	6	8	10



# Demonstration

```
long[] primes = new long[20];  
primes[0] = 2;  
primes[1] = 3;  
long[] primes2=primes;  
System.out.println(primes2[0]);  
primes2[0]=5;  
System.out.println(primes[0]);
```

# Output

2

5

# Array Length

- Refer to array length using *length*
  - A data member of array object
  - `array_variable_name.length`
  - `for(int k=0; k<primes.length;k++)`
  - ....
- Sample Code:

```
long[] primes = new long[20];  
System.out.println(primes.length);
```
- Output: 20

# Change in Array Length

- If number of elements in the array are changed, JAVA will automatically change the length attribute!

# Sample Program

```
class MinAlgorithm
{
    public static void main ( String[] args )
    {
        int[] array = { -20, 19, 1, 5, -1, 27, 19, 5 } ;
        int min=array[0]; // initialize the current minimum
        for ( int index=0; index < array.length; index++ )
            if ( array[ index ] < min )
                min = array[ index ] ;
        System.out.println("The minimum of this array is: " + min );
    }
}
```

# Arrays of Arrays

- Two-Dimensional arrays
  - `float[][] temperature=new float[10][365];`
  - 10 arrays each having 365 elements
  - First index: specifies array (row)
  - Second Index: specifies element in that array (column)
  - In JAVA float is 4 bytes, total Size= $4*10*365=14,600$  bytes



# Graphical Representation

Sample[0]

[illegible]

# Sample[1]

[illegible]

# Sample[2]

[illegible]

# Initializing Array of Arrays

```
int[][] array2D = { {99, 42, 74, 83, 100}, {90, 91, 72, 88, 95}, {88,  
    61, 74, 89, 96}, {61, 89, 82, 98, 93}, {93, 73, 75, 78, 99}, {50,  
    65, 92, 87, 94}, {43, 98, 78, 56, 99} };
```

//5 arrays with 5 elements each



# Arrays of Arrays of Varying Length

- All arrays do not have to be of the same length

```
float[][] samples;
```

```
samples=new float[6][];//defines # of arrays
```

```
samples[2]=new float[6];
```

```
samples[5]=new float[101];
```

- Not required to define all arrays



# Initializing Varying Size Arrays

```
int[][] uneven = { { 1, 9, 4 }, { 0, 2}, { 0, 1, 2, 3, 4 } };
```

```
//Three arrays
```

```
//First array has 3 elements
```

```
//Second array has 2 elements
```

```
//Third array has 5 elements
```

# Array of Arrays Length

```
long[][] primes = new long[20][];  
primes[2] = new long[30];  
System.out.println(primes.length); //Number of arrays  
System.out.println(primes[2].length); //Number of elements in the second array
```

OUTPUT:

20

30

# Sample Program

```
class unevenExample3
{
    public static void main( String[] arg )
    { // declare and construct a 2D array
        int[][] uneven = { { 1, 9, 4 }, { 0, 2}, { 0, 1, 2, 3, 4 } };
        // print out the array
        for ( int row=0; row < uneven.length; row++ ) //changes row
        {
            System.out.print("Row " + row + ": ");
            for ( int col=0; col < uneven[row].length; col++ ) //changes column
                System.out.print( uneven[row][col] + " ");
            System.out.println();
        }
    }
}
```



# Output

Row 0: 1 9 4

Row 1: 0 2

Row 2: 0 1 2 3 4

# Triangular Array of Arrays

- Triangular Array

```
for(int k=0; k<samples.length;k++)  
    samples[k]=new float[k+1];
```

# Multidimensional Arrays

- A farmer has 10 farms of beans each in 5 countries, and each farm has 30 fields!
- Three-dimensional array  

```
long[][][] beans=new long[5][10][30];  
//beans[country][farm][fields]
```

# Varying length in Multidimensional Arrays

- Same features apply to multi-dimensional arrays as those of 2 dimensional arrays

```
long beans=new long[3][[]];//3 countries
```

```
beans[0]=new long[4][[]];//First country has 4 farms
```

```
beans[0][4]=new long[10];
```

```
//Each farm in first country has 10 fields
```





# Introduction to reference in java



# What's a reference

- In Java, reference is a typed named memory space which holds address of an Object of that type.
  - Reference in Java is similar with pointer in C/C++.
- Java is safer, C/C++ is more powerful.



# Reference vs. Pointer

- 1) You cannot put your hands on an Object without through its reference in Java. In C/C++, you can.
- 2) In C/C++, you can do arithmetic on pointers, but you cannot do arithmetic on references in Java.
- 3) In C/C++, you can **dereference** a pointer, you cannot dereference a reference in Java.
- 4) In Java, all object are put on the heap only. In C/C++, you can put an Object/struct onto the stack.
- 5) In C/C++, you can cast pointer to an totally different type without compiler errors. In Java, you cannot, Java is more strong typed language.
- 6) In C/C++, pointer can point to primitive types too. In Java, reference cannot reference a primitive type, unless the wrapper class is used.
- 7) In C/C++, pointer can point to another pointer, in Java, reference cannot reference another reference.

# example

- Java:

```
Class A{...}
```

```
A a;
```

```
a=new A();
```

reference

A horizontal arrow points from the text 'reference' to the 'new A()' part of the Java code line 'a=new A();'.

- C/C++:

```
struct a{...}
```

```
struct a* p = malloc(sizeof(a));
```

```
p=&a;
```

pointer

A diagonal arrow points from the text 'pointer' to the 'malloc(sizeof(a))' part of the C/C++ code line 'struct a\* p = malloc(sizeof(a));'.

Addition

# A swap method?

- Does the following swap method work? Why or why not?

```
public static void main(String[] args) {  
    int a = 7;  
    int b = 35;  
  
    // swap a with b?  
    swap(a, b);  
  
    System.out.println(a + " " + b);  
}
```

```
public static void swap(int a, int b) {  
    int temp = a;  
    a = b;  
    b = temp;  
}
```

# Value semantics

- **value semantics:** Behavior where values are copied when assigned, passed as parameters, or returned.
  - All primitive types in Java use value semantics.
  - When one variable is assigned to another, its value is copied.
  - Modifying the value of one variable does not affect others.

```
int x = 5;  
int y = x;      // x = 5, y = 5  
y = 17;          // x = 5, y = 17  
x = 8;           // x = 8, y = 17
```

## Reference semantics (objects)

- **reference semantics:** Behavior where variables actually store the address of an object in memory.
  - When one variable is assigned to another, the object is *not* copied; both variables refer to the *same object*.
  - Modifying the value of one variable *will* affect others.

```
int[] a1 = {4, 15, 8};  
int[] a2 = a1;           // refer to same array as a1  
a2[0] = 7;  
System.out.println(Arrays.toString(a1)); // [7, 15, 8]
```

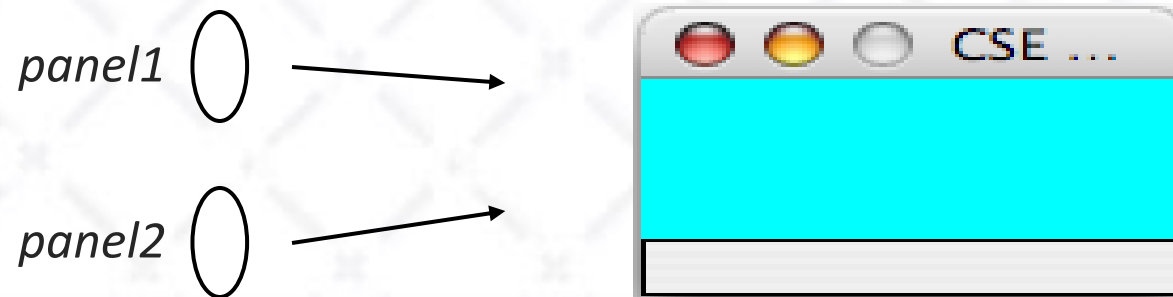




# References and objects

- Arrays and objects use reference semantics. Why?
  - *efficiency*. Copying large objects slows down a program.
  - *sharing*. It's useful to share an object's data among methods.

```
DrawingPanel panel1 = new DrawingPanel(80, 50);  
DrawingPanel panel2 = panel1; // same window  
panel2.setBackground(Color.CYAN);
```







# Objects as parameters

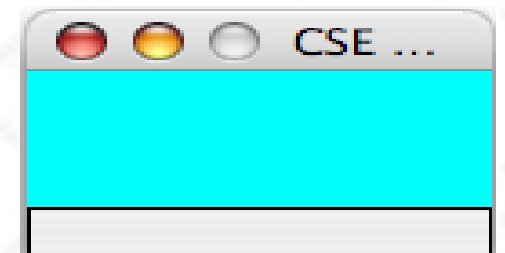
- When an object is passed as a parameter, the object is *not* copied. The parameter refers to the same object.
  - If the parameter is modified, it *will* affect the original object.

```
public static void main(String[] args) {  
    DrawingPanel window = new DrawingPanel(80, 50);  
    window.setBackground(Color.YELLOW);  
    example(window);  
}
```

```
public static void example(DrawingPanel panel) {  
    panel.setBackground(Color.CYAN);  
    ...  
}
```

*panel*  

*window*  



# Arrays as parameters

- Arrays are also passed as parameters by reference.
  - Changes made in the method are also seen by the caller.

```
public static void main(String[] args) {  
    int[] iq = {126, 167, 95};  
    increase(iq);  
    System.out.println(Arrays.toString(iq));  
}  
  
public static void increase(int[] a) {  
    for (int i = 0; i < a.length; i++) {  
        a[i] = a[i] * 2;  
    }  
}
```

- **Output:**

[252, 334, 190]

*a* ○



*index*

0

1

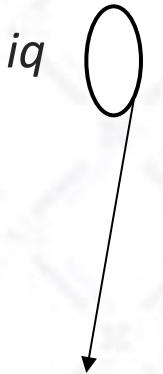
2

*value*

252

334

190



# Arrays pass by reference

- Arrays are also passed as parameters by reference.
  - Changes made in the method are also seen by the caller.

```
public static void main(String[] args) {  
    int[] iq = {126, 167, 95};  
    increase(iq);  
    System.out.println(Arrays.toString(iq));  
}
```

```
public static void increase(int[] a) {  
    for (int i = 0; i < a.length; i++) {  
        a[i] = a[i] * 2;  
    }  
}
```

*a*



*value*

0	1	2
252	334	190

*iq*

- **Output:**

[252, 334, 190]