

ARRAYS

OVERVIEW

DEFINITION

- ▶ An array is a **container** object that holds a **fixed** number of values of a **single type**
- ▶ The **length** of an array is established when the array is **created**
- ▶ **After** creation, its **length is fixed**

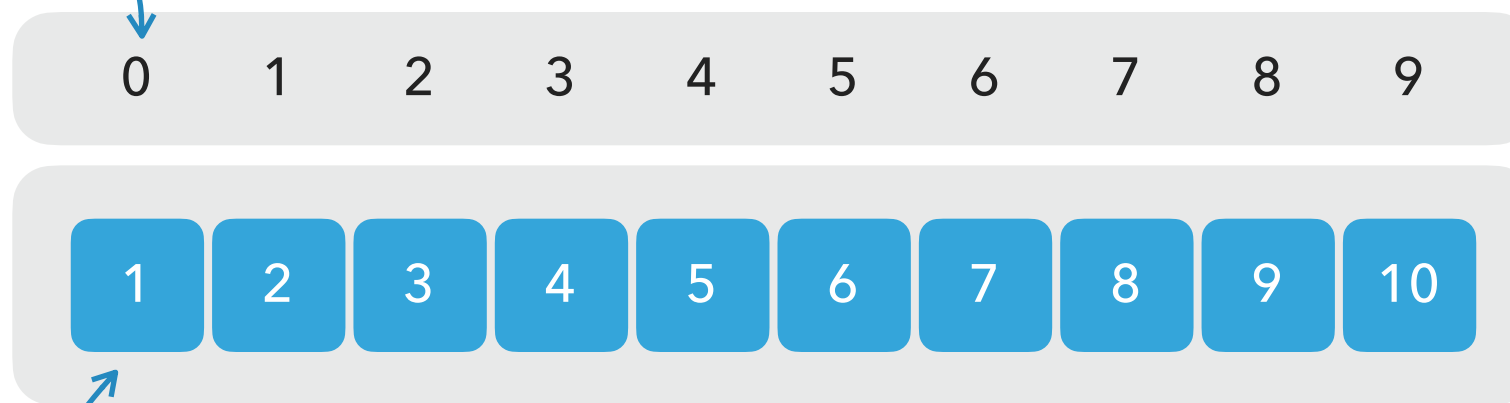
ARRAYS VISUALISATION

Element index (location)

Array indices

Element value
at index 0

Array values



Array length is 10

ARRAYS DECLARATION: SYNTAX

- ▶ Array declaration **without** instantiation

```
type[] name;
```

- ▶ Array declaration **with** instantiation

```
type[] name = new type[size];
```

- ▶ Array declaration **with** inline initialization

```
type[] name = {var1, ..., varN};
```

ARRAY DECLARATION: INSTANTIATION CODE EXAMPLE

Code

```
int[] leapYears = new int[3];  
leapYears[0] = 2020; leapYears[1] = 2016; leapYears[2] = 2012;  
System.out.println("Leap years = " + Arrays.toString(leapYears));
```

Console output

```
Leap years = [2020, 2016, 2012]
```

```
Process finished with exit code 0
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ARRAY DECLARATION: INLINE INITIALIZATION CODE EXAMPLE

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