Objects with an Array field

Recall:

• An array is a data structure of a particular set of data.

• An object contains fields of data types.

• Therefore it is possible to have an array of data types as a field in an object!

For example:

- Define a class called Student.
- This class will have the following fields:
 - Student number // id number
 - An array of four marks // of type double
 - Average // the mean average of the four marks

Setting it up.

```
// to create an array as a field, declare an
  array as you normally would inside the
  class definition
public class Student {
   int stunum; // student number
   double [] marks = new double[4]; /
   // note: you do not need to create the array in
     the field declaration. You can simply declare
     the variable marks if you wish
   double avg;
```

Creating the object

```
Student s;
s = new Student();
s.stunum = 555555;
s.marks[0]=60;
s.marks[1]=70;
s.marks[2]=80;
s.marks[3]=90;
```

Question

• Should the user be allowed to enter a value for average?

• Why? Why not?