

Declaration & Initialization of an Array:

unknown element

`int ar[] = {1, 2, 3, 4, 5};`

✓ = new int[size]

✓ = new int[size][size]

`int ar[][] = { {1, 1, 1}, {2, 2, 2}, {3, 3, 3} }`

[1, 10, 20, 30]

`int ar[][][] = { { {5, 3, 1}, {2, 4, 3} }, { {1, 1, 1}, {2, 2, 3}, {3, 3, 3} }`

`{ {2, 2, 3}, {3, 3, 3} }`

$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 3 & 3 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$
3x3

Alternative ways of declaring Array:

1D Array

`int ar[]`
`int [] ar`
`int[] ar`

2D Array

`int ar[][]`
`int [][] ar`
`int[] [] ar`
`int [] ar[]`
`int[] ar[]`
`int[] [] ar`

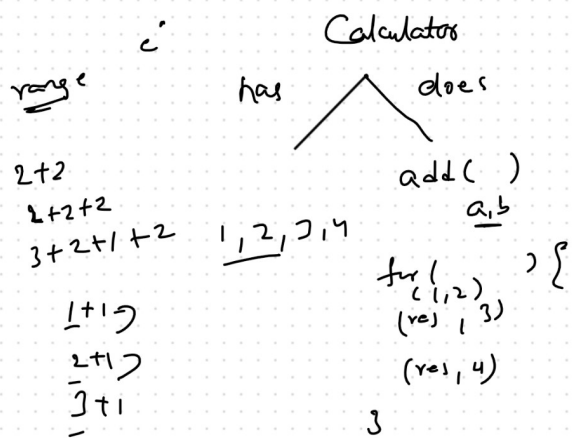
Method

{
=
}

Var args [Variable no. of arguments] :

`int add(int... a) {`

}



Note:

- In above program `add()`, can accept any no. of arguments of same data type
- The arguments which it collects is stored in the array format
- The size of the array will be estimated by compiler & it counts the no. of arguments passed in method call
- The elements passed can be accessed through the index values

Alternative way:

`int add(int... args) { ... }`
`int add(int ... args) { ... }`
`int add(int ... args) { ... }`

Rules & regulations

[a, b] [... args]

① We can have only one var args in a method

int add(int... args, double... args2) { ... } ❌

② In case if we are having var args along with normal parameters the var args should be always declared at the last

→ add(int n, int... args) { ... }

add(1) ✓

add(1, 2) n=1
 args = [2]

add(1, 2, 3) n=1
 args = [2, 3]

add() ❌

③ If we have two methods where one method accept normal parameters & other method accepts var args elements then priority/preference is given to normal parameters

① int add(int x, int y) {

}

② int add(int... args) {

}

Calc.add() ②

Calc.add(10) ②

Calc.add(10, 20) ①

④ In main method var args can be create with '[']' (or) '...' both are allowed, but when try to use var args in user defined method '[']' → as a parameter which accepts array not as var args

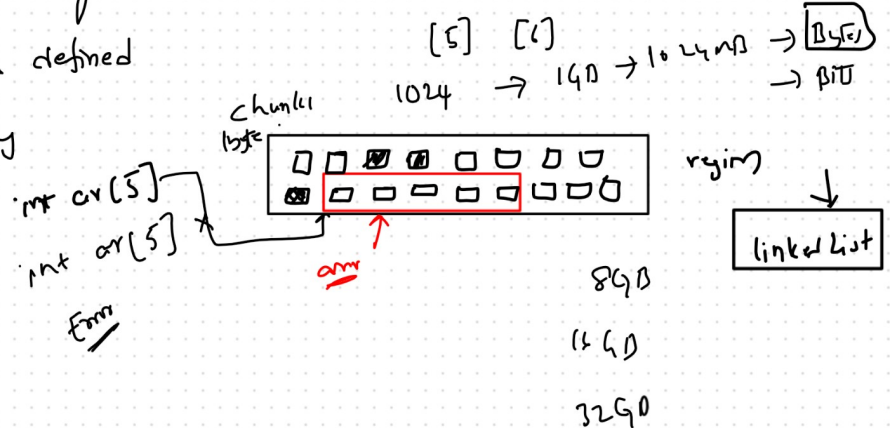
add(int a[])

add([1, 2])

Array Disadvantages

[5] [1, 2, 3, 4, 5] → size is fixed

- ① We can only store Homogeneous type of data in an array
- ② The size of an array is fixed because we cannot increase (or) decrease after array is defined
- ③ It needs contiguous memory



Advantages ✓

- ① Elements of array can be accessed through index