## **Module 5**

Arrays

## Objectives

- Declare and create arrays of primitive, class, or array types
- Explain why elements of an array are initialized
- Explain how to initialize the elements of an array
- Determine the number of elements in an array
- Create a multidimensional array
- Write code to copy array values from one array to another

#### Relevance

What is the purpose of an array?

## **Declaring Arrays**

- Group data objects of the same type.
- Declare arrays of primitive or class types:

```
char s[];
Point p[];
char[] s;
Point[] p;
```

- Create space for a reference.
- An array is an object; it is created with new.

## **Creating Arrays**

Use the new keyword to create an array object.

For example, a primitive (char) array:

```
public char[] createArray() {
   char[] s;

s = new char[26];

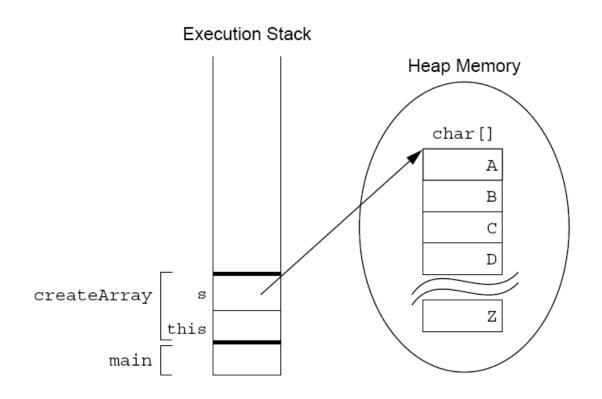
for ( int i=0; i<26; i++ ) {
   s[i] = (char) ('A' + i);

}

return s;

}</pre>
```

## Creating an Array of Character Primitives



## Creating Reference Arrays

Another example, an object array:

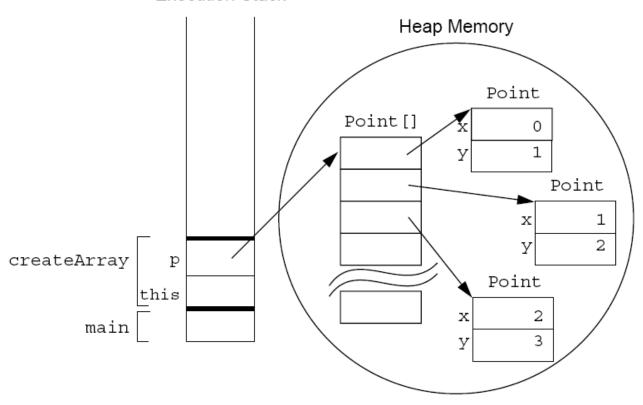
```
public Point[] createArray() {
    Point[] p;

    p = new Point[10];
    for ( int i=0; i<10; i++ ) {
       p[i] = new Point(i, i+1);
    }

    return p;
}</pre>
```

# Creating an Array of Character Primitives With Point Objects

**Execution Stack** 



## **Initializing Arrays**

- Initialize an array element.
- Create an array with initial values.

```
String[] names = {
String[] names;
                                          "Georgianna",
names = new String[3];
names[0] = "Georgianna";
                                         "Jen",
names[1] = "Jen";
                                          "Simon"
                                      };
names[2] = "Simon";
                                     MyDate[] dates = {
MyDate[] dates;
                                         new MyDate (22, 7, 1964),
dates = new MyDate[3];
dates[0] = new MyDate(22, 7, 1964);
                                         new MyDate(1, 1, 2000),
dates[1] = new MyDate(1, 1, 2000); new MyDate(22, 12, 1964)
dates[2] = new MyDate(22, 12, 1964); \};
```

## Multidimensional Arrays

#### Arrays of arrays:

```
int[][] twoDim = new int[4][];
twoDim[0] = new int[5];
twoDim[1] = new int[5];
int[][] twoDim = new int[][4]; // illegal
```

## Multidimensional Arrays

• Non-rectangular arrays of arrays:

```
twoDim[0] = new int[2];
twoDim[1] = new int[4];
twoDim[2] = new int[6];
twoDim[3] = new int[8];
```

Array of four arrays of five integers each:

```
int[][] twoDim = new int[4][5];
```

## Array Bounds

#### All array subscripts begin at 0:

```
public void printElements(int[] list) {
  for (int i = 0; i < list.length; i++) {
    System.out.println(list[i]);
  }
}</pre>
```

## Using the Enhanced for Loop

Java 2 Platform, Standard Edition (J2SE<sup>TM</sup>) version 5.0 introduced an enhanced for loop for iterating over arrays:

```
public void printElements(int[] list) {
  for ( int element : list ) {
    System.out.println(element);
  }
}
```

The for loop can be read as for each element in list do.

## Array Resizing

- You cannot resize an array.
- You can use the same reference variable to refer to an entirely new array, such as:

```
int[] myArray = new int[6];
myArray = new int[10];
```

## Copying Arrays

The System.arraycopy() method to copy arrays is:

```
//original array
int[] myArray = { 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 };

// new larger array
int[] hold = { 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1 };

// copy all of the myArray array to the hold
// array, starting with the 0th index
System.arraycopy(myArray, 0, hold, 0, myArray.length);
```

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## Example:

```
wrong : int[] a[] = new int[][];
right : int[] a[] = new int[2][];
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right : int[][] a = new int[0][];
```

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