Java Programming, 9e

Chapter 8

Arrays





Objectives

- Declare an array
- Initialize an array
- Use variable subscripts with an array
- Declare and use arrays of objects
- Search an array and use parallel arrays
- Pass arrays to and return arrays from methods





Declaring an Array (1 of 4)

Array

- A named list of data items called elements
- All data items have the same type
- Declare an array variable
 - The same way as declaring any simple variable
 - Insert a pair of square brackets after the type

```
double[] salesFigure;
int[] idNums;
```





Declaring Arrays (2 of 4)

Still need to reserve memory space

```
sale = new double[20];
double[] sale = new double[20];
```

Subscript

- An integer contained within square brackets
- Indicates one of the array's variables or elements
- A subscript that is too small or too large for an array is out of bounds
 - An error message is generated





Declaring Arrays (3 of 4)

- An array's elements are numbered beginning with 0
 - You can legally use any subscript from 0 through 19 when working with an array that has 20 elements
- When working with any individual array element, treat it no differently than a single variable of the same type
 - Example: sale[0] = 2100.00;



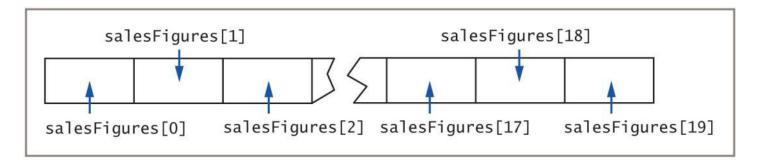


Figure 8-1 The first few and last few elements of an array of 20 salesFigures items in memory





Initializing an Array (1 of 3)

- A variable with a reference type, such as an array, holds a memory address where a value is stored
- Array names:
 - Represent computer memory addresses
 - Contain references
- When you declare an array name:
 - No computer memory address is assigned
 - The array has the special value null
 - Unicode value '\u0000'





Initializing an Array (2 of 3)

- Use the keyword new to define an array
 - The array name acquires the actual memory address value
- int[] someNums = new int[10];
 - Each element of someNums has a value of 0
- char array elements
 - Assigned '\u0000'
- boolean array elements
 - Automatically assigned the value false
- Strings and arrays of objects
 - Assigned null by default





Initializing an Array (3 of 3)

Assign nondefault values to array elements upon creation

```
int[] tenMult = {10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60};
```

- An initialization list initializes an array
 - Values are separated by commas and enclosed within curly braces
- Populating an array
 - Providing values for all the elements in an array



Using Variable Subscripts with an Array (1 of 4)

- Power of arrays
 - Use subscripts that are variables rather than constant subscripts
 - Use a loop to perform array operations

```
for (sub = 0; sub < 5; ++sub)
scoreArray[sub] += 3;</pre>
```



- When an application contains an array:
 - Use every element of the array in some task
 - Perform loops that vary the loop control variable
 - Start at 0
 - End at one less than the size of the array
- It is convenient to declare a symbolic constant equal to the size of the array

```
final int NUMBER OF SCORES = 5;
```



- Field
 - An instance variable
 - Automatically assigned a value for every array created
- length field: number of elements in the array

```
for(sub = 0; sub < scoreArray.length; ++sub)
  scoreArray[sub] += 3;</pre>
```

- length is a property of the object
 - Is a field
 - Cannot be used as an array method



Enhanced for loop

 Allows you to cycle through an array without specifying starting and ending points for the loop control variable

```
for(int val : scoreArray)
System.out.println(val);
```





Using Part of an Array (1 of 2)

Figure 8-4 The AverageOfQuizzes application (continues)





Using Part of an Array (2 of 2)

(continued)

```
score = input.nextInt();
                                           Loop continues as long as user
while(score !=OUIT)
                                           does not enter QUIT value
   score[count] = score;
   total += scores[count];
   ++count;
   if(count == MAX)
      score = QUIT;
   else
      System.out.print("Enter next quiz score or " +
         QUIT + " to quit >> ");
      score = input.nextInt();
System.out.print("\nThe scores entered were: ")
                                                      The variable count
for(int x = 0; x < count; ++x) —
                                                      is used to control
   System.out.print(scores[x] + " ");
                                                      output.
if(count != 0)
  System.out.println("\n The average is " + (total * 1.0 / count));
   System.out.println("No scores were entered.");
```

Figure 8-4 The AverageOfQuizzes application





Declaring and Using Arrays of Objects

Create an array of Employee objects

```
Employee[] emp = new Employee[7];
```

Must call seven individual constructors





Using the Enhanced for Loop with Objects

- Use the enhanced for loop to cycle through an array of objects
 - Eliminates the need to use a limiting value
 - Eliminates the need for a subscript following each element





Manipulating Arrays of Strings

• Create an array of Strings



Searching an Array and Using Parallel Arrays (1 of 2)

- Determine whether a variable holds one of many valid values
 - Use a series of if statements
 - Compare the variable to a series of valid values





Searching an Array and Using Parallel Arrays (2 of 2)

Searching an array

• Compare the variable to a list of values in an array

```
for(int x = 0; x < validValues.length; ++x)
{
   if(itemOrdered == validValues[x])
      isValidItem = true;
}</pre>
```





Using Parallel Arrays (1 of 3)

- Parallel array
 - One with the same number of elements as another
 - The values in corresponding elements are related
- An alternative for searching
 - Use the while loop





Using Parallel Arrays (2 of 3)

```
import javax.swing.*;
public class FindPrice
   public static void main(String[] args)
      final int NUMBER_OF_ITEMS = 10;
      int[] validValues = {101, 108, 201, 213, 266,
         304, 311, 409, 411, 412};
      double[] prices = {0.29, 1.23, 3.50, 0.69, 6.79,
         3.19, 0.99, 0.89, 1.26, 8.00};
      String strItem;
      int itemOrdered;
      double itemPrice = 0.0:
     boolean isValidItem = false:
      strItem = JOptionPane.showInputDialog(null,
         "Enter the item number you want to order");
      itemOrdered = Integer.parseInt(strItem);
      for(int x = 0; x < NUMBER OF ITEMS; ++x)
         if(itemOrdered == validValues[x])
            isValidItem = true:
                                                 Corresponding price is pulled
            itemPrice = prices[x]; _
                                                 from prices array
      if(isValidItem)
         JOptionPane.showMessageDialog(null, The price for item " +
            itemOrdered + " is $" + itemPrice);
      else
         JOptionPane.showMessageDialog(null,
            "Sorry - invalid item entered");
```

Figure 8-9 The FindPrice application that accesses information in parallel arrays





Using Parallel Arrays (3 of 3)

```
for(int x = 0; x < NUMBER_OF_ITEMS; ++x)
{
    if(itemOrdered == validValues[x])
    {
        isValidItem = true;
        itemPrice = prices[x];
        x = NUMBER_OF_ITEMS
    }
}</pre>
Force the loop control variable
to a value that stops the loop.
```

Figure 8-11 A for loop with an early exit





- Searching an array for an exact match is not always practical
- Range match
 - Compare a value to the endpoints of numerical ranges
 - Find the category in which a value belongs





Searching an Array for a Range Match (2 of

```
import javax.swing.*;
public class FindDiscount
   public static void main(String[] args)
      final int NUM RANGES = 5:
      int[] discountRangeLimits = { 1, 13, 50, 100, 200};
      double[] discountRates =
                                {0.00, 0.10, 0.14, 0.18, 0.20};
      double customerDiscount:
      String strNumOrdered:
      int numOrdered:
      int sub = NUM RANGES - 1:
      strNumOrdered = JOptionPane.showInputDialog(null,
         "How many items are ordered?"):
      numOrdered = Integer.parseInt(strNumOrdered);
      while(sub >= 0 && numOrdered < discountRangeLimits[sub])</pre>
         --sub:
      customerDiscount = discountRates[sub]:
      JOptionPane.showMessageDialog(null, "Discount rate for " +
         numOrdered + " items is " + customerDiscount):
```

Figure 8-13 The FindDiscount class





Passing Arrays to and Returning Arrays from Methods (1 of 4)

- Pass a single array element to a method
 - Same as passing a variable
- Passed by value
 - A copy of the value is made and used in the receiving method
 - All primitive types are passed this way





Passing Arrays to and Returning Arrays from Methods (2 of 4)

Reference types

- The object holds a memory address where the values are stored
- The receiving method gets a copy of the array's actual memory address
- The receiving method has the ability to alter the original values in the array elements





Passing Arrays to and Returning Arrays from Methods (3 of 4)

```
public class PassArray
   public static void main(String)[] args)
      final int NUM ELEMENTS = 4;
      int[] someNums = {5, 10, 15, 20};
      int x:
      System.out.print("At start of main: "):
      for(x = 0; x < NUM ELEMENTS; ++x)
         System.out.print(" " + someNums[x]);
      System.out.println();
                                                    When an array is passed to a
      methodGetsArray(SomeNums); -
                                                    method, no brackets are used.
      System.out.print("At end of main: ");
      for(x = 0; x < NUM ELEMENTS; ++x)
         System.out.print(" " + someNums[x]);
      System.out.println():
```

Figure 8-18 The PassArray class (continues)





Passing Arrays to and Returning Arrays from Methods (4 of 4)

(continued)

```
public static void methodGetsArray(int[] arr)
{
    int x;
    System.out.print("At start of method arr holds: ");
    for(x = 0; x < arr.length; ++x)
        System.out.print(" " + arr[x]);
    System.out.println();
    for(x = 0; x < arr.length; ++x)
        arr[x] = 888;
    System.out.print(" and at end of method arr holds: ");
    for(x = 0; x < arr.length; ++x)
        System.out.print(" " + arr[x]);
    System.out.print(" " + arr[x]);
    System.out.println();
}
</pre>
```

Figure 8-18 The PassArray class





Returning an Array from a Method

- A method can return an array reference
- Include square brackets with the return type in the method header



Don't Do It

- Don't forget that the lowest array subscript is 0
- Don't forget that the highest array subscript is one less than the length
- Don't forget the semicolon following the closing curly brace in an array initialization list
- Don't forget that length is an array property and not a method
- Don't place a subscript after an object's field or method name when accessing an array of objects
- Don't assume that an array of characters is a string
- Don't forget that array names are references
- Don't use brackets with an array name when you pass it to a method



Summary (1 of 2)

- Array
 - A named list of data items
 - All have the same type
- Array names
 - Represent computer memory addresses
- Shorten many array-based tasks
 - Use a variable as a subscript
- length field
 - Contains the number of elements in an array



Summary (2 of 2)

- You can declare arrays that hold elements of any type, including Strings and other objects
- Search an array to find a match to a value
- Perform a range match
- Pass a single array element to a method

