

This session will help you to understand

- What is an array ?
- Types of array.
- How to implement arrays?



Array Analogy

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A basket of balls. **Basket** is the container for balls.

Arrays are like baskets they hold data of similar data type (like the balls).



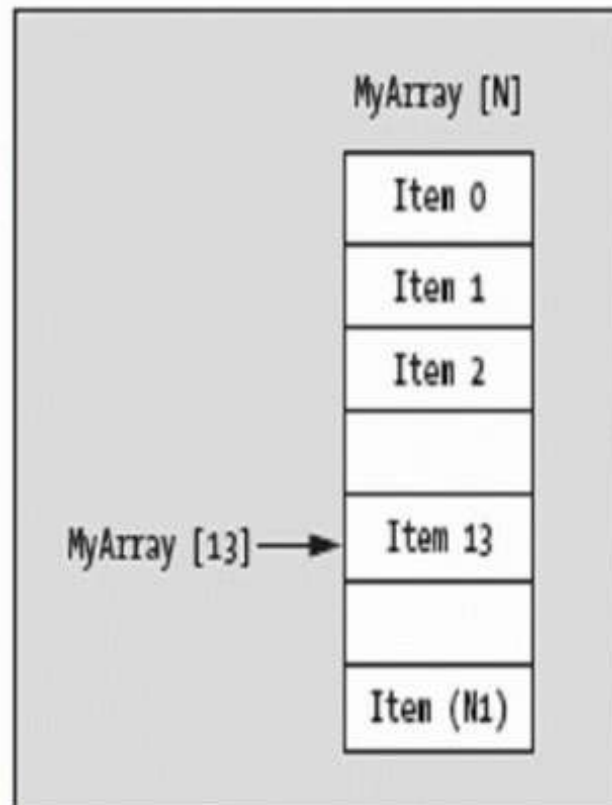
Array

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An array is data type that can hold a collection of values of **same type** which can be referred with a common name.

Arrays can hold primitives or wrapper objects or user defined objects.



An array with name **DemoArray** storing a collection of values.

Each item can be accessed using the name **DemoArray** and index.



Array Types

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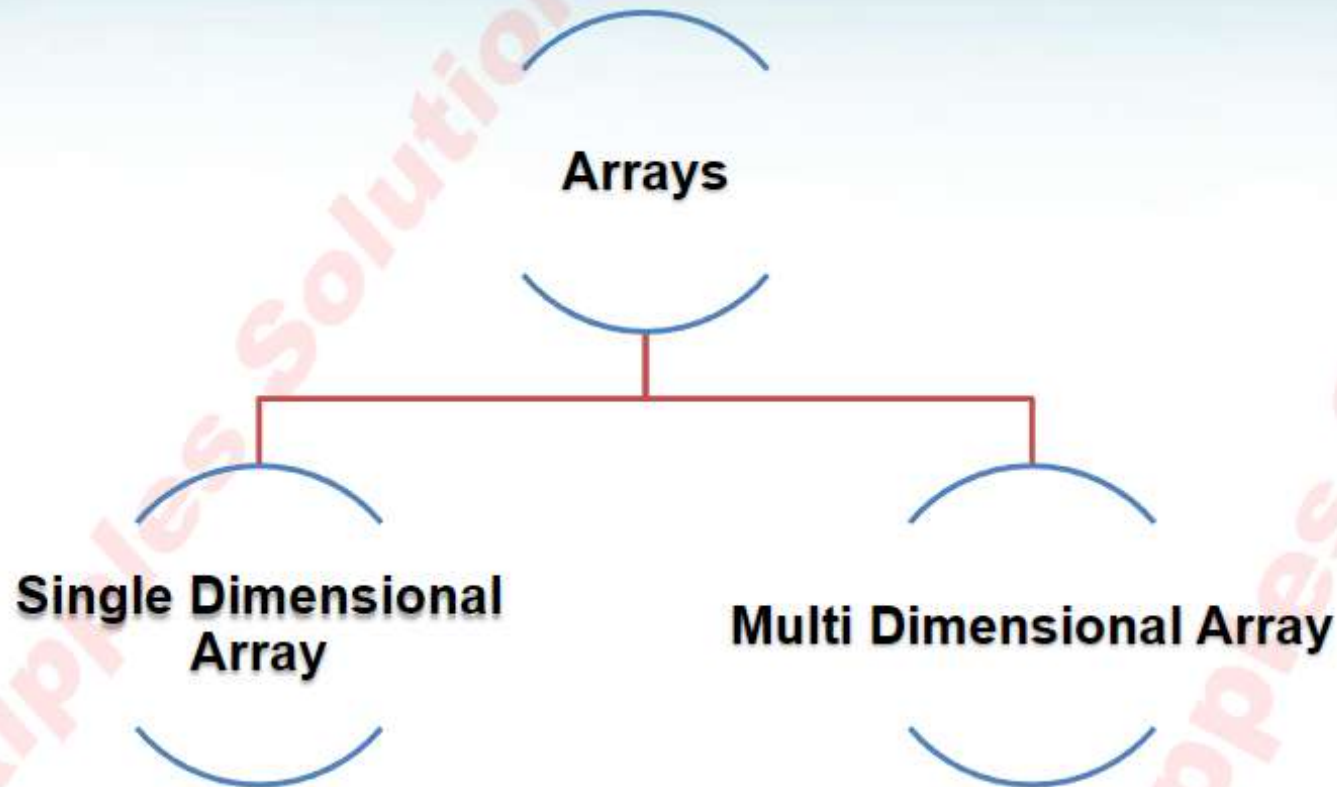


Illustration: `float[] studentId ;`
`//Float array named studentId`
`to store student id.`

Illustration: `double square[][`
`];`
`// Array which stores a double`
`value in 2*2 matrix.`



Step 1: Array declaration:

In this step, array is declared associating to a data type and a identifier.

Syntax : `<type> [] <array-name>;`

Illustration : `long [] studentId;` } Declares an array of type long

`Student[] student;` } Declares an array of Student Object

Step 2: Array initialization:

New keyword is used to initialize an array.

Syntax: `<array-name>= new <type>(<size>;`

Illustration: `studentId=new long[5];` } Defines array with long type which stores 5 values.

`student=new Student[3];` } Creates an array that can hold 3 student objects.



Few salient points :

- The array length is determined when the array is created.
- The array length is **fixed** at the time of its creation.
- Each item of an array is called as **element**, and each element is accessed using the **index**.

The below diagram depicts an array of ten elements

Student Id

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---

Adding values to a single dimensional array:

Data can be stored in an array based on the data type of the array.

Illustration:

```
student[0]=17;  
student[1]=22;  
student[2]=33;
```

This adds the student ids in the array

```
student[0]=new Student("Jack",3000);  
Student[1]=new Student("Ramesh",4000);  
student[2]=new Student("Rajesh",10);
```

This adds student object

This sets the student name and the student id value in student objects.



Alternate Way – Adding Elements [Click to Continue](#)



Alternate Way to initialize and assign values in one step,

```
long[] studentId = { 6, 3, 5, 8};
```

This declares an array of type long with values 6,3,5 & 8.

```
Student[] student={new Student("Ramesh",20),new  
Student("Jack",40)};
```

This declares an student object array, stores two student objects

Length of the array is determined by the number of values stored in the array.



Retrieving values from an array?

Array elements are accessed using the index. The index position of the first element is 0, last element is position is **array length - 1**.

Illustration:

```
long studentId=studentId[0];
```

Retrieves the first element in student array

```
Student student=student[3];
```

Retrieves the fourth element in student array

Finding Length:

Use **student.length**; to get the total number of items in the array.



Program to print odd numbers between 0 & 1000.

1. Create a program “ArrayExample” add two methods,

1. **saveNumbers** – Creates and stores a array with values from 0~1000

2. **printOddNumber** – traverse through the array stored and print all the odd numbers.

From the main method invoke both the methods.




```
package com.wrapper.demo;
```

```
public class ArrayExample {
```

```
    int numbers[] = new int[1001];
```

```
    public void saveNumbers() {  
        for (int i = 0; i <= 1000; i++) {  
            numbers[i] = i;  
        }  
    }
```

This method stores 1000 numbers in an array.

```
    public void printOddNumbers() {  
        for (int i = 0; i <= 1000; i = i + 1) {  
            if (numbers[i] % 2 != 0) {  
                System.out.println("Odd number=" + numbers[i]);  
            }  
        }  
    }
```

This method prints the odd numbers between 0 and 1000.

```
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        ArrayExample ex = new ArrayExample();  
        ex.saveNumbers();  
        ex.printOddNumbers();  
    }
```

Invokes the methods.

```
}
```



Multi Dimensional Arrays [Click to Continue](#)



Multi Dimensional Arrays are ***array of arrays***.

The two dimensional array is a 2*2 matrix with rows and columns, each row labeled with an index of 0 to its maximum bound.

Syntax:

```
type array-name = new type[rows][cols];
```

Illustration:

```
int studentMarks[ ][ ] = new int[2][3 ]; // Represents the  
marks of the student in row 2 and column3
```

A two dimensional array illustration

	0	1	2	3
0	22	24	26	23
1	34	54	38	43
2	22	33	35	36



Multi Dimensional Arrays [Click to Continue](#)



Multi Dimensional Arrays are **array of arrays**.

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Disadvantages of arrays:

- Fixed size.
- One type of data.

Illustration:

`int studentMarks[][] = new int[2][3];` // Represents the marks of the student in row 2 and column3

A two dimensional array illustration

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1. Write a program which will initialize a 3X3 matrix and store the sum of the column index and row index in each matrix cell. The program then should iterate and display the values stored in a matrix format.

So for example 2X2 matrix output will be

0 1

1 2

```
public static void main(String[] args) {  
    int number[][] = new int[3][3];  
    // store the sum of i and j index  
    for (int i = 0; i < 3; i++) {  
        for (int j = 0; j < 3; j++) {  
            number[i][j] = i + j;  
        }  
    }  
    // for loop which displays the values stored  
    System.out.println("Matrix Display");  
    for (int i = 0; i < 3; i++) {  
        for (int j = 0; j < 3; j++) {  
            System.out.print(number[i][j]);  
        }  
        System.out.println("");  
    }  
    System.out.println("Matrix End");  
}
```

