

Core Java – 2D Array



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Introduction

- A 2D array is an array of one-dimensional arrays or **array of arrays** i.e. each element of a multi-dimensional array is another array.
- In Java, a two-dimensional array is stored in the form of rows and columns and is represented in the form of a matrix.
- Thus, you can get a total number of elements in a multidimensional array by multiplying row size with column size.



2D - Array Declaration

Syntax to Declare an Array in Java

Example -



2D - Array Declaration

Tick the correct Array Declaration –

```
char[][] ch; √
```

float ch[][]; v

char [][]ch; √

char[] []ch; V

float[] ch[]; V

char [] ch[]; √

Last three also valid but generally don't

used



2D - Array Declaration

int[][] a,b; // Valid

a and b are 2D array of int type;



2D - Array Creation

2D - Array Construction

In java, arrays are dynamically created at runtime using 'new' keyword, hence, arrays are objects.

Syntax -

```
datatype[][] refvariable;
refvariable = new datatype[size][size];
```

or

datatype[][] refvariable = new datatype[size][size];

Note – At the time of array creation we must specify the size.



2D - Array Creation

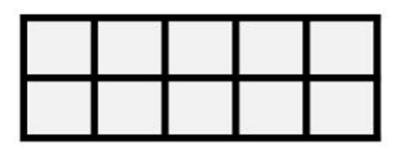
```
int[][] arr = new int[10][10] // 2D array of int type
```

- flaot[][] arr = new float[10][10];
- char[][] arr = new char[10][10];
- long[][] arr = new long[10][10];
- double[][] arr =new double[10][10];



2D - Array Creation

int[][] Array = new int[2][5];



In this, the array has two rows and five columns. The index starts from 0, 0 in the left-upper corner to 1, 4 in the right lower corner.



2D - Array Initialization

Initializing Array Elements

- a) Default Initialization
 - When an array is created using new keyword, all its elements are automatically **initialized to their default values.**

Example:

The default value is

- 0 for int, short, long, and byte array
- 0.0 for double and float arrays
- null for String array



2D - Array Initialization

Initializing Array Elements

b) Initialize array elements using Initialization block

int[][] age = { {21, 22}, {31, 32}, {41, 42} };



2D - Array Initialization

Initializing Array Elements

c) Array Declaration, Construction, and Initialization in a single step

Syntax:

Example:

int[][] arr = new int[][] { {21, 22}, {31, 32}, {41, 42} }; //Ok.



Looping Through 2D - Array Elements

There are two ways to loop through the array elements –

```
❖ For-Loop
```



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❖For each Loop

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9



Passing Arrays to Methods

```
public class Main
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        int arr[][]= { {1, 2, 3},
                       {4, 5, 6},
                       {7, 8, 9} };
       System.out.print("Sum = " + sum(arr));
    static int sum(int [][]ar)
        int s = 0;
        for(int i=0; i<ar.length; i++)</pre>
              for(int j : ar[i])
                 s += j;
         return s;
```



Anonymous 2D - Arrays

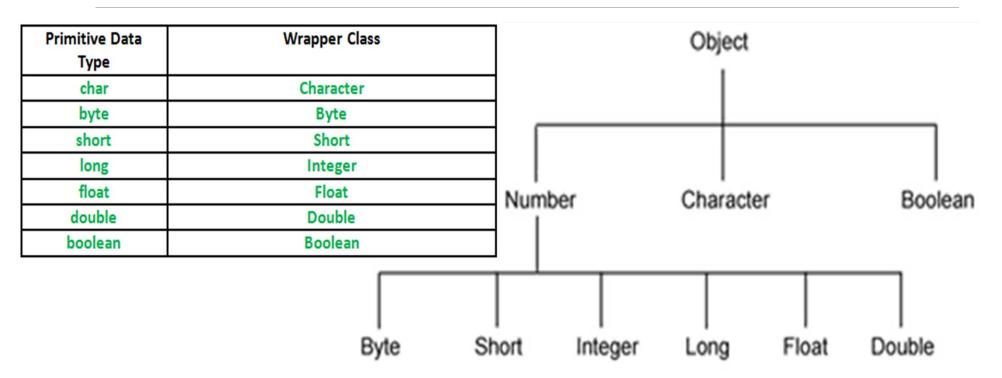
Arrays having no name are called Anonymous arrays in java

Syntax -

new datatype[][] {{1D Array}, {1D Array},}



Wrapper Classes





Wrapper Classes

- Wrapper classes are used to wrap (store) primitive data into an object.
- Hence, primitive types can also be handled just like an object.
- *By default, all wrapper classes are final, hence cannot be inherited.
- Also, the instance of all wrapper classes are immutable i.e., the value in the wrapper object cannot be changed.



Autoboxing and Unboxing

❖ The Auto & Un boxing first time introduced in JDK1.5.

Autoboxing (jdk1.5)

The java compiler automatically converts Primitive data to Wrapper object is called as autoboxing.

Example:

Before compilation:

Integer iRef = 10.

After compilation:

Integer iRef = new Integer(10); // Autoboxing



Autoboxing and Unboxing

Autoboxing (jdk1.5)

Example:

```
Integer iRef = 10;  // Autoboxing
  int a = 10;
Integer iRef = Integer.valueOf(a);  // Autoboxing
```



Autoboxing and Unboxing

Unboxing

The java compiler automatically converts Wrapper object to primitive data is called as unboxing.

Example:

```
int a = 10;
Integer iRef = Integer.valueOf(a);  // Autoboxing
int I = iRef;  // Unboxing
int I = iRef .intValue();  //unboxing.
```