

Multi-dimensional arrays

- What we have seen so far were all one dimensional arrays.
- An element is indexed with a single subscript.
- A list of elements can be stored.
- To store a table of elements (for example, a matrix)
 we require a two dimensional array.

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2 dimensional array

Number of rows

Declaration int mat[2][4];

Number of columns

mat[0][0]	mat[0][1]	mat[0][2]	mat[0][3]
mat[1][0]	mat[1][1]	mat[1][2]	mat[1][3]

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2 dimensional arrays: Initialization int mat[2][4] = { $\{1,2,3,4\}, \{5,6,7,8\} \};$ //mat[0][0]=1, mat[0][1]=2 , ... , mat[1][3]=8 int $a[2][2] = \{ \{1\}, \{3,4\} \};$ //a[0][0]=1, a[0][1]=0, a[1][0]=3, a[1][1]=4int $b[2][2] = \{1,3,4\};$ //b[0][0]=1, b[0][1]=3, b[1][0]=4, b[1][1]=0 4/19/2021

2 dimensional arrays: Initialization

In one dimensional arrays we said that

```
int a[] = \{1,2,3\}; // same as int a[3] = \{1,2,3\};
```

■ Can we do *the same* for 2 dim arrays?

```
int b[][] = \{1,2,3,4,5,6\};
```

- b could be of 2 rows and 3 columns, or of 3 rows and 2 columns.
- ■To avoid this ambiguity, the column size (second subscript) must be specified explicitly in the declaration.
- int b[][2] = {1,2,3,4,5,6}; //this is OK ⓒ
- b has three rows and two columns

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2 dimensional arrays: Initialization

```
Check the following declaration:
```

int $a[][2] = \{4,5,6\};$

a has 2 rows and 2 columns.

a[1][1] = 0

But declaring

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int a[2][] = {1,2,3};

Col#1 Col#2

Row#1 4 5

Row#2 6 0

will not work!

2 dimensional arrays:

addresses

This is the important number which is collected int a[4][5];

- When you say a[2][3], the location accessed is at address (a + 2*(5*sizeof(int)) + 3*sizeof(int))
- Let address of a = 100 and sizeof(int) = 2. Then the addresses of consecutive cells are;

- 1	0	_1/_	/ 4	3	4
q	100	102	104	106	108
1	110	1/12	114	116	118
2	120	122	124	126	128
3	130	132	134	136	138

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2 dimensional arrays: functions

Function prototype

```
double f 1 ( char [][4] );
```

- Number of columns in the argument array must be specified.
 Otherwise address calculations are not possible.
- Function definition:

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```
double f_1( char names[ ][4] )
{
   ...;
}
```

2 dim arrays: Example: Read <u>5 four-</u> <u>letter names</u> from the keyboard

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Multi-dimensional arrays

This is simply generalization of 2 dimensional arrays. For example:

```
int a[2][4][9];
```

= int b[][3][2] = {1,2,3,4,5,6,7};

This can be left blank if initialization is given

Similar rules for functions as for 2 dim. arrays

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Printing 2-D and 3-D arrays

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Printing 3-D arrays
#include <stdio.h>
int main()
{ int a[2][3][4]={ {{1,2,3,4},{5,6,7,8},{9,10,11,12}}},
{{13,14,15,16}, {17,18,19,20},{21,22,23,24}} };
int i,j,k;
                                                 5
for(k=0;k<4;k++)
                                          13
                                                17
                                                     21
 { for( i=0;i<2;i++)
                                           2
                                                     10
   { for( j=0;j<3;j++)
                                                 6
                                          14
                                                18
                                                     22
      printf("%4d ", a[i][j][k]);
    printf("\n");
                                           3
                                                     11
                                          15
                                                     23
                                                19
   printf("\n");
                                                     12
                                           4
                                                 8
 return 0;
                                                     24
                                          16
                                                20
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                                                                    12
```

