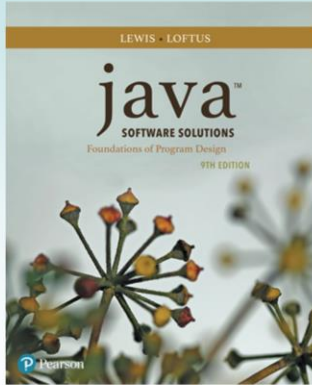


Chapter 8

Arrays



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Arrays

- Arrays are objects that help us organize large amounts of information
- Chapter 8 focuses on:
 - array declaration and use
 - bounds checking and capacity
 - arrays that store object references
 - variable length parameter lists
 - multidimensional arrays

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Outline

Declaring and Using Arrays



Arrays of Objects

Variable Length Parameter Lists

Two-Dimensional Arrays

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Arrays of Objects

- The elements of an array can be object references
- The following declaration reserves space to store 5 references to `String` objects

```
String[] words = new String[5];
```

- It does NOT create the `String` objects themselves
- Initially an array of objects holds `null` references
- Each object stored in an array must be instantiated separately

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-In the previous section, recall we looked at how to create arrays storing primitive variable types

-In this section, let's examine creating arrays storing object variables (or object reference variables)

-The most important thing to remember is that an object variable stores a **reference (or memory address)**

-This reference is to another area in memory that contains the **actual object that is created with the new operator**

-Think of this reference as "pointing to" another area in memory containing the object created with new

-When an array of object variables are created, the array contains a group of such references

-HOWEVER, the references are not pointing to anything yet, because the actual objects have not been created!

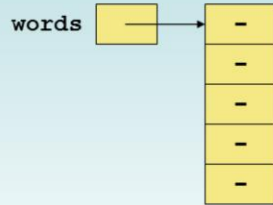
-In Java, when a reference is not pointing to anything it contains the value "null"

-Think of null as meaning "no address specified"

-As we create objects with the new operator, we can assign the address of an object to one of these references!

Arrays of Objects

- The `words` array when initially declared:



- At this point, the following line of code would throw a `NullPointerException`:

```
System.out.println(words[0]);
```

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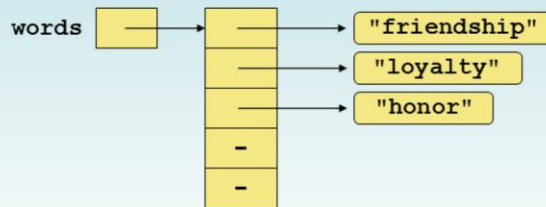
-Here we see what memory looks like after an array of String objects is created initially with:

```
String[] words = new String[5];
```

- Note that our array (which is an object itself) simply contains 5 null references
- We haven't actually created the String objects yet
- This is why a run-time error would occur if we tried the example statement above

Arrays of Objects

- After some `String` objects are created and stored in the array:



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-We can create some `String` objects with the `new` operator and then assign them to the references in the array

Arrays of Objects

- Keep in mind that `String` objects can be created using literals
- The following declaration creates an array object called `verbs` and fills it with four `String` objects created using string literals

```
String[] verbs = {"play", "work", "eat",  
                  "sleep", "run"};
```

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-Recall that a shortcut to creating a `String` object with the `new` operator is to simply specify the string

-In other words, the statement:

```
String s = new String("Hello");
```

-Is the same as:

```
String s = "Hello";
```

-Therefore, initializing the array in this slide example **creates and assigns `String` objects to the array in a single step**

-Remember that this only works for the `String` class

Arrays of Objects

- The following example creates an array of `Grade` objects, each with a string representation and a numeric lower bound
- The letter grades include plus and minus designations, so must be stored as strings instead of `char`
- **See** `GradeRange.java`
- **See** `Grade.java`

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- Unlike the `String` class, we need to create each object with the `new` operator with other classes
- The `new` operator returns the memory address (reference) where the object is created
- We can assign this result to one of the elements in the array of objects
- The next example in the slide demonstrates this process


```

//*****
//  GradeRange.java      Author: Lewis/Loftus
//
//  Demonstrates the use of an array of objects.
//*****

public class GradeRange
{
    //-----
    //  Creates an array of Grade objects and prints them.
    //-----
    public static void main (String[] args)
    {
        Grade[] grades =
        {
            new Grade("A", 95), new Grade("A-", 90),
            new Grade("B+", 87), new Grade("B", 85), new Grade("B-", 80),
            new Grade("C+", 77), new Grade("C", 75), new Grade("C-", 70),
            new Grade("D+", 67), new Grade("D", 65), new Grade("D-", 60),
            new Grade("F", 0)
        };

        for (Grade letterGrade : grades)
            System.out.println (letterGrade);
    }
}

```

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- Note how the array of Grade objects is created
- The array is initialized by creating each object with the new operator
- The reference returned by each new operator is assigned to an array element
- After this creation, we use a for-each loop to print each grade object created using our array!

```

//*****
//  GradeRange.java
//
//  Demonstrates the use of
//*****

public class GradeRange
{
    //-----
    //  Creates an array of
    //-----
    public static void main
    {
        Grade[] grades =
        {
            new Grade("A", 95),
            new Grade("B+", 87), new Grade("B", 85), new Grade("B-", 80),
            new Grade("C+", 77), new Grade("C", 75), new Grade("C-", 70),
            new Grade("D+", 67), new Grade("D", 65), new Grade("D-", 60),
            new Grade("F", 0)
        };

        for (Grade letterGrade : grades)
            System.out.println (letterGrade);
    }
}

```

Output

```

A      95
A-     90
B+     87
B      85
B-     80
C+     77
C      75
C-     70
D+     67
D      65
D-     60
F      0

```

```

//*****
//  Grade.java      Author: Lewis/Loftus
//
//  Represents a school grade.
//*****

public class Grade
{
    private String name;
    private int lowerBound;

    //-----
    //  Constructor: Sets up this Grade object with the specified
    //  grade name and numeric lower bound.
    //-----
    public Grade (String grade, int cutoff)
    {
        name = grade;
        lowerBound = cutoff;
    }

    //-----
    //  Returns a string representation of this grade.
    //-----
    public String toString()
    {
        return name + "\t" + lowerBound;
    }
}

```

continue

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continue

```
//-----  
// Name mutator.  
//-----  
public void setName (String grade)  
{  
    name = grade;  
}  
  
//-----  
// Lower bound mutator.  
//-----  
public void setLowerBound (int cutoff)  
{  
    lowerBound = cutoff;  
}
```

continue

continue

```
//-----  
//  Name accessor.  
//-----  
public String getName()  
{  
    return name;  
}  
  
//-----  
//  Lower bound accessor.  
//-----  
public int getLowerBound()  
{  
    return lowerBound;  
}  
}
```

Arrays of Objects

- Now let's look at an example that manages a collection of DVD objects
- An initial capacity of 100 is created for the collection
- If more room is needed, a private method is used to create a larger array and transfer the current DVDs
- See `Movies.java`
- See `DVDCollection.java`
- See `DVD.java`

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-This next example creates a class that contains (or “knows” about) an array of objects (DVDs)

-DVDCollection class contains an array of DVDs

```

//*****
//  Movies.java      Author: Lewis/Loftus
//
//  Demonstrates the use of an array of objects.
//*****

public class Movies
{
    //-----
    //  Creates a DVDCollection object and adds some DVDs to it. Prints
    //  reports on the status of the collection.
    //-----
    public static void main (String[] args)
    {
        DVDCollection movies = new DVDCollection();

        movies.addDVD ("The Godfather", "Francis Ford Coppala", 1972, 24.95, true);
        movies.addDVD ("District 9", "Neill Blomkamp", 2009, 19.95, false);
        movies.addDVD ("Iron Man", "Jon Favreau", 2008, 15.95, false);
        movies.addDVD ("All About Eve", "Joseph Mankiewicz", 1950, 17.50, false);
        movies.addDVD ("The Matrix", "Andy & Lana Wachowski", 1999, 19.95, true);

        System.out.println (movies);

        movies.addDVD ("Iron Man 2", "Jon Favreau", 2010, 22.99, false);
        movies.addDVD ("Casablanca", "Michael Curtiz", 1942, 19.95, false);

        System.out.println (movies);
    }
}

```

```

/**
//
//
//
/**
My DVD Collection
~~~~~
publ
{
    Number of DVDs: 5
    Total cost: $98.30
    Average cost: $19.66

    DVD List:

    $24.95 1972    The Godfather    Francis Ford Coppala    Blu-Ray
    $19.95 2009    District 9        Neill Blomkamp
    $15.95 2008    Iron Man            Jon Favreau
    $17.50 1950    All About Eve      Joseph Mankiewicz
    $19.95 1999    The Matrix            Andy & Lana Wachowski    Blu-Ray

    continue

    System.out.println (movies);

    movies.addDVD ("Iron Man 2", "Jon Favreau", 2010, 22.99, false);
    movies.addDVD ("Casablanca", "Michael Curtiz", 1942, 19.95, false);

    System.out.println (movies);
}
}

```



```

//*****
//  DVDCollection.java      Author: Lewis/Loftus
//
//  Represents a collection of DVD movies.
//*****

import java.text.NumberFormat;

public class DVDCollection
{
    private DVD[] collection;
    private int count;
    private double totalCost;

    //-----
    //  Constructor: Creates an initially empty collection.
    //-----
    public DVDCollection ()
    {
        collection = new DVD[100];
        count = 0;
        totalCost = 0.0;
    }
}

continue

```

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- Here the array of DVD objects is declared and created in the constructor
- HOWEVER, no actual DVD objects are created yet, so each location initially contains "null"

continue

```
//-----  
// Adds a DVD to the collection, increasing the size of the  
// collection array if necessary.  
//-----  
public void addDVD (String title, String director, int year,  
    double cost, boolean bluRay)  
{  
    if (count == collection.length)  
        increaseSize();  
  
    collection[count] = new DVD (title, director, year, cost, bluRay);  
    totalCost += cost;  
    count++;  
}
```

continue

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-This method actually creates the DVD object and assigns it to one of the array locations

continue

```
//-----  
// Returns a report describing the DVD collection.  
//-----  
public String toString()  
{  
    NumberFormat fmt = NumberFormat.getCurrencyInstance();  
  
    String report = "~~~~~\n";  
    report += "My DVD Collection\n\n";  
  
    report += "Number of DVDs: " + count + "\n";  
    report += "Total cost: " + fmt.format(totalCost) + "\n";  
    report += "Average cost: " + fmt.format(totalCost/count);  
  
    report += "\n\nDVD List:\n\n";  
  
    for (int dvd = 0; dvd < count; dvd++)  
        report += collection[dvd].toString() + "\n";  
  
    return report;  
}
```

continue

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continue

```
//-----  
// Increases the capacity of the collection by creating a  
// larger array and copying the existing collection into it.  
//-----  
private void increaseSize ()  
{  
    DVD[] temp = new DVD[collection.length * 2];  
  
    for (int dvd = 0; dvd < collection.length; dvd++)  
        temp[dvd] = collection[dvd];  
  
    collection = temp;  
}  
}
```

```

//*****
// DVD.java      Author: Lewis/Loftus
//
// Represents a DVD video disc.
//*****

import java.text.NumberFormat;

public class DVD
{
    private String title, director;
    private int year;
    private double cost;
    private boolean bluRay;

    //-----
    //  Creates a new DVD with the specified information.
    //-----
    public DVD (String title, String director, int year, double cost,
                boolean bluRay)
    {
        this.title = title;
        this.director = director;
        this.year = year;
        this.cost = cost;
        this.bluRay = bluRay;
    }
}

continue

```

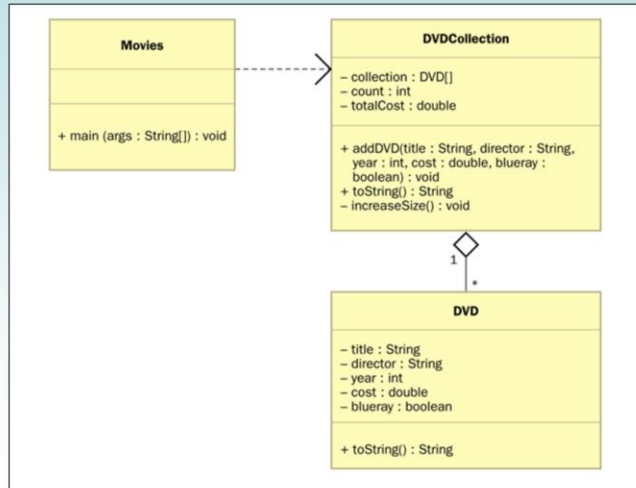
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```
//-----  
// Returns a string description of this DVD.  
//-----  
public String toString()  
{  
    NumberFormat fmt = NumberFormat.getCurrencyInstance();  
  
    String description;  
  
    description = fmt.format(cost) + "\t" + year + "\t";  
    description += title + "\t" + director;  
  
    if (bluRay)  
        description += "\t" + "Blu-Ray";  
  
    return description;  
}
```

Arrays of Objects

- A UML diagram for the `Movies` program:



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-Note the diamond indicates aggregation which is translated the `DVDCollection` **has** **DVDs**

Command-Line Arguments

- The signature of the `main` method indicates that it takes an array of `String` objects as a parameter
- These values come from *command-line arguments* that are provided when the interpreter is invoked
- For example, the following invocation of the interpreter passes three `String` objects into the `main` method of the `StateEval` program:

```
java StateEval pennsylvania texas arizona
```

- See `NameTag.java`

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-“command-line arguments” refers to extra information specified **after the name of a program when executing**

-We’ve been using Eclipse to execute our program automatically for us

-We could also execute our program from a window in our operating system where we can enter commands

-Such windows are typically called “command prompts”

-In the Windows operating system, we can type “DOS” commands in such a window

-In Windows, you can type “cmd” in the search bar to bring up this “command-line window”

-One of the commands we could type is the name of our program followed by extra information

-If we list additional information (separated by spaces) after the name, these can be read into our program

-This additional information is known as command-line arguments and are read into the program as `Strings`

-This is why we see an array of `Strings` in the `main` method of our driver classes!

```

//*****
//  NameTag.java      Author: Lewis/Loftus
//
//  Demonstrates the use of command line arguments.
//*****

public class NameTag
{
    //-----
    //  Prints a simple name tag using a greeting and a name that is
    //  specified by the user.
    //-----
    public static void main (String[] args)
    {
        System.out.println ();
        System.out.println ("    " + args[0]);
        System.out.println ("My name is " + args[1]);
    }
}

```

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- This program demonstrates using the command-line arguments in a program
- We can specify command-line arguments in Eclipse by executing our program through Run->Run Configurations...
- Specify your “Main” class (the one containing the main method), then select the “Arguments” tab
- Type your argument(s) in the “Program arguments” area in this tab
- Multiple arguments are specified with a space between each argument

Command-Line Execution

```

//*****
// NameTag.java
//
// Demonstrat
//*****

public class N
{
    //-----
    // Prints
    // specifi
    //-----
    public stat
    {
        System.out.println ();
        System.out.println (" " + args[0]);
        System.out.println ("My name is " + args[1]);
    }
}

*****
> java NameTag Howdy John

        Howdy
        My name is John

*****
> java NameTag Hello Bill

        Hello
        My name is Bill

-----
a name that is
-----
```