

# Arrays

# Outline

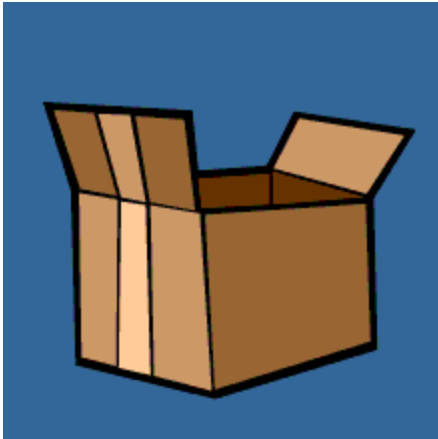
- Introduction to Arrays (1-D arrays)
- Defining and Declaring Arrays
- Accessing Array Elements
- Examples
- 2-D Arrays
- Declaring and Initializing 2-D Arrays
- Example
  - Representing matrices and finding the transpose of a matrix

# 1.1. What is an array?

- An array is a collection of things!

## Ordinary Variable

Like a box for storing one value



## Array

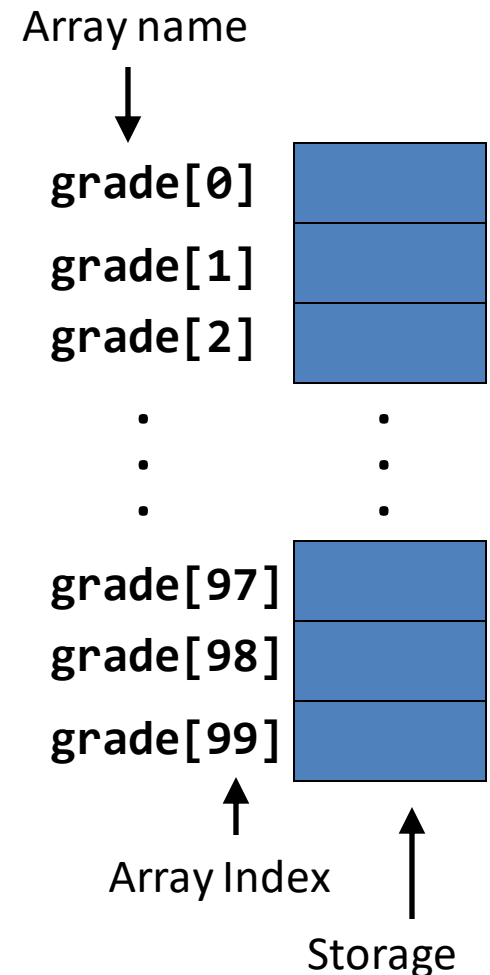
Like a cabinet containing many drawers.

Each drawer stores one value.

We can refer to each drawer as the 1<sup>st</sup> drawer, the 2<sup>nd</sup> drawer, the 3<sup>rd</sup> drawer, etc.

# 1.2. Characteristics of an Array

- Stores same type of data
- *Array size* (# of elements in the array) remains unchanged throughout program execution
- The position of an element is indicated by the *index*.
- The indexes to an array of size **N** ranges from **0** to **N-1**.
  - Important: The first index must be **0**



# 1.3. First look at an Array

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3  A[0] = 2;
4  A[1] = A[0] + 2;
5
6  scanf("%d", &A[2]);
7  // Assume input is 5
8  printf("%d", A[2]);
```

	0	1	2
A	2	4	5

```
1  int a, b, c;
2
3  a = 2;
4  b = a + 2;
5
6  scanf("%d", &c);
7  // Assume input is 5
8  printf("%d", c);
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This example illustrates the similarity between an array and ordinary variables

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Just like a variable, we need to declare an array before using it.

This statement declares an array to store values of type **int**.

The name of the array is **A**.

The array *size* is 3.

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A single array element is like an ordinary variable.

`A[0]` refers to the 1<sup>st</sup> element in array **A**.

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In an array declaration, the number in [...] indicates the size of an array.

In an expression, the number in [...] indicates the index of an array element.

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# 1.4. Syntax: Declaring an Array

*type arrayName[ arraySize ];*

- *type*: Data type of the array elements
- *arrayName*: A valid identifier
- *arraySize*: Number of elements in the array
- e.g.,  
    int grade[ 100 ];   // array of 100 integers  
    double d[ 3284 ];   // array of 3284 doubles
- Declaring multiple arrays of the same type in one declaration  
    int arrayA[100], arrayB[27];

# 1.5. Example #1

```
1  int list[4];
2
3  printf("Enter 4 #'s: ");
4  scanf("%d", &list[0]);
5  scanf("%d", &list[1]);
6  scanf("%d", &list[2]);
7  scanf("%d", &list[3]);
8
9  // Print the input values in reverse order
10 printf("You have entered (in reverse): ");
11 printf("%d %d %d %d\n", list[3], list[2], list[1], list[0]);
```

```
Enter 4 #'s: 7 11 45 23↵
You have entered: 23 45 11 7
```

Note: Input values can be separated by any whitespace character.

# 1.6. Array Bounds

- Indexes to an array of size N range from **0** to **N-1**.
- An array index that is out of this range can cause a runtime error of “*array index out of bounds*”.

```
int c[ 10 ];  
c[ -1 ] = 5;           // Index out of bounds  
c[ 10 ] = 0;          // Index out of bounds
```

- The consequence of the error is ***unpredictable***.
  - The program may crash.
  - Other variables may get modified unknowingly.

## 1.7. Syntax: Initializing an Array at Declaration

- Specify a value for each element using an initializer

```
int n[ 5 ] = { 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 };
```

- Not enough values in the initializer → Rightmost elements are set to 0

```
int n[ 5 ] = { 1 };      // n[1], ..., n[4] are set to 0
```

```
int m[ 5 ] = { 0 };      // All elements are set to 0
```

- Too many values in the initializer → Syntax error

```
int n[ 5 ] = { 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 };  // Error
```

- Array size omitted → Size is determined by the initializer

```
int n[] = { 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 };  // Size of n is 5
```

```
int p[];      // Error. Need a size or an initializer
```

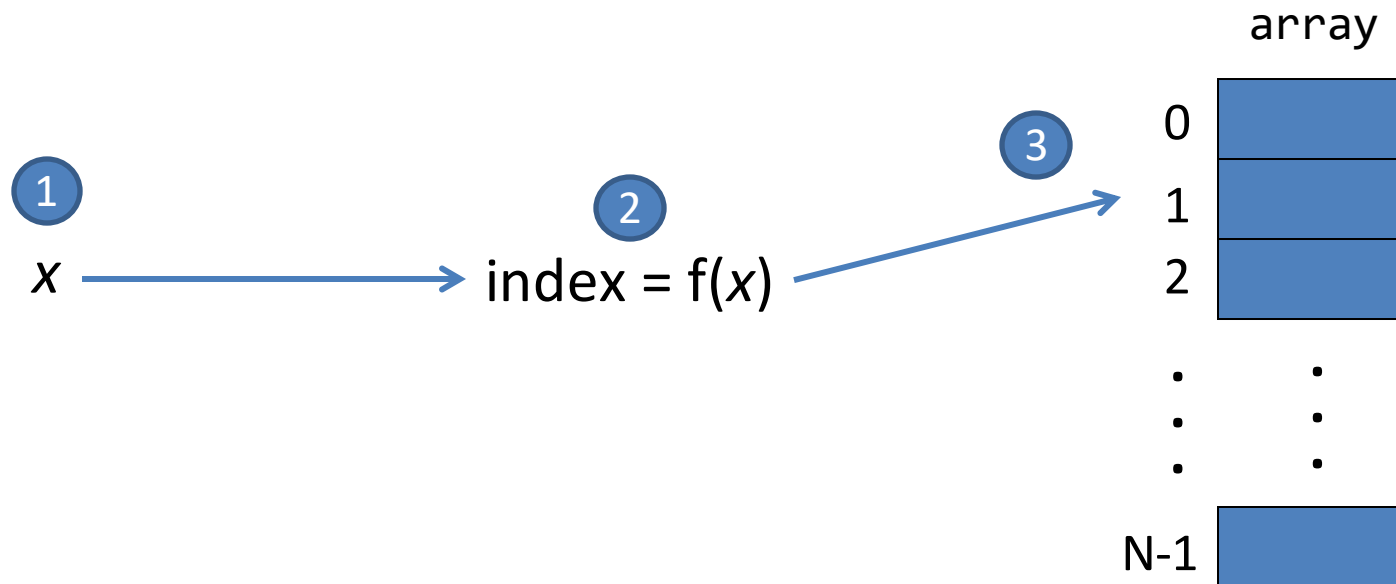
## 2. More Array Examples

- Array as a lookup table
- Array for counting

## 2.1. Array as a Lookup Table

**General Idea:** Map a value to an array index.

1. Given  $x$
2. Calculate the *index* to the array element based on the value of  $x$
3. Access  $\text{array}[\text{index}]$



## 2.1. Array as a Lookup Table

- Let's output the number of days of a given month without **if-else** statements!

```
1 // monthToDays[month-1] => # of days in "month"
2 int monthToDays[12] = { 31, 28, 31, 30, 31, 30,
3                          31, 31, 30, 31, 30, 31 };
4
5 int month;           // To store user input
6 int days;            // To store # of days in the given month
7
8 scanf("%d", &month);
9
10 // assume we forget the existence of leap year for now
11 days = monthToDays[month - 1];
12 printf("The input month has %d days!\n", days);
```

**Note:** The condition for checking if a year is a leap year is a bit long and is omitted in this example.

## 2.2. Array for Counting

Let's count the number of star ratings of a movie based on 4 viewers!

```
1  int starCount[5] = { 0 };
2
3  int rating; // To store user input, assuming valid
4  printf("Enter 4 viewers' ratings (1 to 5 stars): ");
5
6  // read 4 numbers from the viewers, one-by-one, and tally
7  scanf("%d", &rating);
8  starCount[rating-1]++;
9  scanf("%d", &rating);
10 starCount[rating-1]++;
11 scanf("%d", &rating);
12 starCount[rating-1]++;
13 scanf("%d", &rating);
14 starCount[rating-1]++;
15
16 printf("No. of viewers giving 1 to 5 stars: %d %d %d %d %d\n",
17        starCount[0], starCount[1], starCount[2], starCount[3], starCount[4]);
18
```



# 3.1. 2-D Array

- It's like a table consisting of rows and columns
- Usually rectangular in shape
- Stores values of the same type
- It takes two indexes to identify each element

	Column 0	Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Row 0				
Row 1				
Row 2				

## 3.2. Declaring a 2-D Array

```
type arrayName[ rowSize ][ colSize ];
```

- *type*: Data type of the array elements
- *arrayName*: A valid identifier
- *rowSize*: Number of rows (size of the 1<sup>st</sup> dimension)
- *colSize*: Number of columns (size of the 2<sup>nd</sup> dimension)

- e.g.,

```
int a[3][4];    // 3 rows, 4 columns
```

	Column 0	Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Row 0	a[0][0]	a[0][1]	a[0][2]	a[0][3]
Row 1	a[1][0]	a[1][1]	a[1][2]	a[1][3]
Row 2	a[2][0]	a[2][1]	a[2][2]	a[2][3]

1<sup>st</sup> index to row

2<sup>nd</sup> index to  
column

## 3.3. 2-D Array – Declaration and Initialization

- Declaration

```
int    x[3][4];           // 3 rows, 4 columns
short y[2][10];           // 2 rows, 10 columns
```

- Declaration with initialization

// As an array of arrays

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

a[0]	1	2	3
a[1]	4	5	6

// Not enough initializers, the rest got zeros

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

b[0]	1	0	0
b[1]	4	5	0

// Values assigned by order

```
int c[2][3] = {1, 2, 3, 4 ,5};
```

c[0]	1	2	3
c[1]	4	5	0

```

1 // A and B represent two 3x3 matrixes
2 int A[3][3] = { { 1, 2, 3 }, { 0, -1, 2 }, { 0, 0, 1 } };
3 int B[3][3]; // To store the transpose of matrix A
4 int i, j;
5
6 // Store transpose of A in B
7 B[0][0] = A[0][0];
8 B[0][1] = A[1][0];
9 B[0][2] = A[2][0];
10
11 B[1][0] = A[0][1];
12 B[1][1] = A[1][1];
13 B[1][2] = A[2][1];
14
15 B[2][0] = A[0][2];
16 B[2][1] = A[1][2];
17 B[2][2] = A[2][2];
18
19 // See the next page
20

```

Transpose of a matrix refers to the change of rows into columns

**Example 3.3.** Using 2-D arrays to represent matrixes

```

21
22 // Print matrix A and B
23 printf("%4d%4d%4d\n", A[0][0], A[0][1], A[0][2]);
24 printf("%4d%4d%4d\n", A[1][0], A[1][1], A[1][2]);
25 printf("%4d%4d%4d\n", A[2][0], A[2][1], A[2][2]);
26 printf("\n");
27
28 printf("%4d%4d%4d\n", B[0][0], B[0][1], B[0][2]);
29 printf("%4d%4d%4d\n", B[1][0], B[1][1], B[1][2]);
30 printf("%4d%4d%4d\n", B[2][0], B[2][1], B[2][2]);
31 printf("\n");
32

```

What is `%4d`? It means you will use a minimum of 4 character spaces to print out the integer; this is useful when you want your output to be tidy.

Try change it to `%10d` and see what would happen.

1	2	3
0	-1	2
0	0	1
1	0	0
2	-1	0
3	2	1

**Example 3.3.** Using 2-D arrays to represent matrixes (cont.)

## 3.4. Applications of 2-D Arrays

- Digital images (2-D array of pixels)
- Matrix in mathematics
- Assignment scores of students
  - Each row represents a student
  - Each column represents the student's scores from different components
- Games (Chess, Minesweeper, etc.)
- Spreadsheet
- etc.

# Summary

- Understanding the characteristics of 1-D and 2-D arrays
- Knowing how to declare and initialize 1-D and 2-D arrays

# Reading Assignment

- C: How to Program, 8<sup>th</sup> ed, Deitel and Deitel
- Chapter 6 C Arrays
  - Sections 6.1 – 6.4: Basics and examples
  - Sections 6.11: Multidimensional Arrays (2D Arrays)



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  - Meant to help you prepare for the lab
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