# Unit 6: Arrays Introduction to Arrays

#### Adapted from:

- 1) Building Java Programs: A Back to Basics Approach
- by Stuart Reges and Marty Stepp
- 2) Runestone CSAwesome Curriculum

#### **Textbook Reference**

Online Textbook Think Java - 2nd Edition by Allen Downey and Chris Mayfield

For this lecture use <a href="#">Chapter 7</a> <a href="#">Chapter 12</a>

## Can we solve this problem?

• Consider the following program (input underlined):

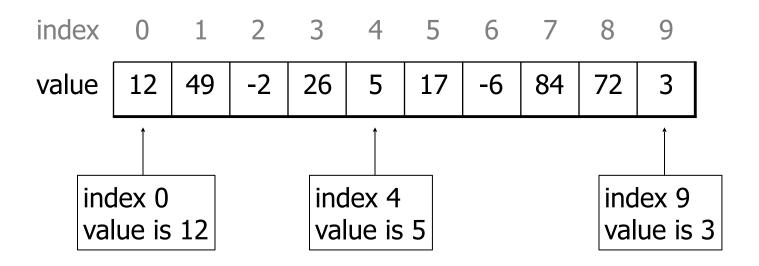
```
How many days' temperatures? 7
Day 1's high temp: 45
Day 2's high temp: 49
Day 3's high temp: 39
Day 4's high temp: 48
Day 5's high temp: 37
Day 6's high temp: 46
Day 7's high temp: 53
Average temp = 44.6
4 days were above average.
```



Do we want to store these in separate integer variables? What if the user want to enter 1000 temperatures? (temp1, temp2,..temp1000?)

#### **Arrays**

- array: object that stores many values of the same type.
  - value: One value in an array.
  - index: A 0-based integer to access an element from an array.



## **Array declaration**

```
type[] name = new type[length];
  - Example:
    int[] numbers = new int[10];
```

Note: The size of an array is established at the time of creation and cannot be changed. Array type can be primitive such as int and boolean or object reference type such as String or Point.

index	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
value	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

## Array declaration, cont.

The length can be any integer expression.

```
int x = 2 * 3 + 1;
int[] data = new int[x %
5 + 2];
```

• Each element initially gets a "zero-equivalent" value.

Туре	Default value
int	0
double	0.0
boolean	false
String	null
or other object	(means, "no object")

## **Accessing elements**

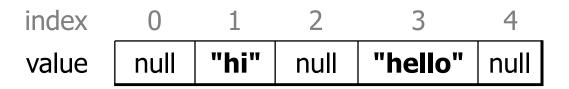
```
name [index]
                            // access
name[index] = value;  // modify
  – Example:
                            numbers[0] = 27;
                            numbers [3] = -6;
   System.out.println(numbers[0]);
                            if (numbers[3] < 0) {
   System.out.println("Element 3 is negative.");
        index 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
        value
             27
                    0
                       -6
                                  0
                                      0
```

## **Arrays of other types**

```
double[] results = new double[5];
results[2] = 3.4;
results [4] = -0.5;
     index 0 1 2 3
          0.0 | 0.0 | 3.4 | 0.0 | -0.5
     value
boolean[] tests = new boolean[6];
tests[3] = true;
     index 0 1 2
          false | false | true | false | false
     value
```

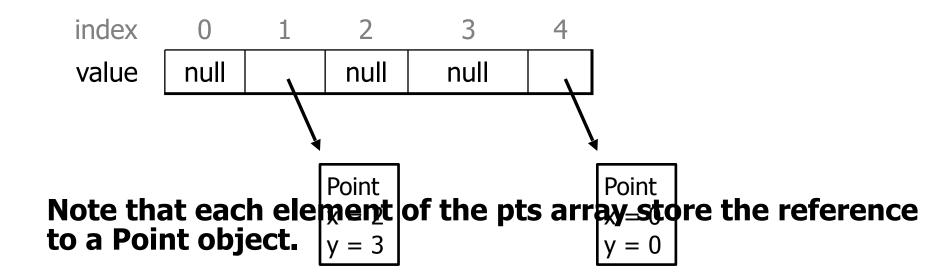
## **Arrays of other types**

```
String[] words = new String[5];
words[1] = "hi";
words[3] = "hello";
```



## **Arrays of other types**

```
Point[] pts = new Point[5];
pts[1] = new Point(2, 3);
pts[4] = new Point();
```



#### Out-of-bounds

- Legal indexes: between 0 and the array's length 1.
  - Reading or writing any index outside this range will throw an ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsException.
- Example:

```
index 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

value 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
```

### Accessing array elements

```
int[] numbers = new
   int[8];
                                numbers[1] = 3;
                                numbers[4] = 99;
                                numbers [6] = 2;
                                int x = numbers[1];
                                numbers [x] = 42;
                                numbers[numbers[6]] = 11;
   // use numbers[6] as index
     X
          index 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
                    3
         value
                       11
numbers
                              99
                           42
                                   0
                                          0
```

## Arrays and for loops

• It is common to use for loops to access array elements. This is called **traversing the array.** 

```
for (int i = 0; i < 8; i++) {
    System.out.print(numbers[i] + " ");
}
System.out.println(); // output: 0 3 11 42 99 0 2 0</pre>
```

Sometimes we assign each element a value in a loop.

```
for (int i = 0; i < 8; i++) {
    numbers[i] = 2 * i;
}</pre>
```

```
index 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
value 0 2 4 6 8 10 12 14
```

## The length field

• An array's length field stores its number of elements.

name.length

```
for (int i = 0; i < numbers.length; i++) {
    System.out.print(numbers[i] + " ");
}
// output: 0 2 4 6 8 10 12 14</pre>
```

- It does not use parentheses like a String's .length().
- What expressions refer to:
  - The last element of any array?
  - The middle element?

numbers.length - 1

numbers.length/2, if length is even, this element is the first element of the second half of the array.

## Arrays and while loops

While loop can also be used to traverse the array. The following compute the sum of an array using a while loop and a for loop. Note the difference. In both cases, this requires the elements of the array to be accessed by the indices(i).

## **Ouick array initialization**

Arrays can be used created quickly using initializer lists.

```
type[] name = {value, value, ... value};
– Example:
    int[] numbers = {12, 49, -2, 26, 5, 17, -6};
         index 0 1 2 3 4 5 6
value 12 49 -2 26 5 17 -6 Useful when you know what the array's elements will be
```

- The compiler figures out the size by counting the values

## "Array mystery" problem

What element values are stored in the following array?

```
int[] a = {1, 7, 5, 6, 4, 14, 11};
for (int i = 0; i < a.length - 1; i++) {
    if (a[i] > a[i + 1]) {
        a[i + 1] = a[i + 1] * 2;
    }
}
```

```
index 0 1 2 3 4 5 6
value 1 7 10 12 8 14 22
```

## Limitations of arrays

You cannot resize an existing array:

```
int[] a = new int[4];
a.length = 10;  // error
```

• You cannot compare arrays with == or equals:

```
int[] a1 = {42, -7, 1, 15};
int[] a2 = {42, -7, 1, 15};
if (a1 == a2) { ... } // false!
if (a1.equals(a2)) { ... } // false!
```

An array does not know how to print itself:

```
int[] a1 = {42, -7, 1, 15};
System.out.println(a1); // [I@98f8c4]
```

#### Arrays.toString

```
public static void main(String[] args) {
    int[] a = {0, 14, 4, 6, 8};
    System.out.println(a);
}
Output: I@674f1c67 6. (14 pts)
```

Prints out the address not the contents of a.

Arrays.toString accepts an array as a parameter and returns a String representation of its elements.

- Must import java.util.\*;
- Arrays is one of the classes in the util's package.

#### Arrays.toString

```
import java.util.*;
public class Example
public static void main(String[] args) {
     int[] a = {0, 14, 4, 6, 8};
     System.out.println("a is " +
                      Arrays.toString(a));
  Output:
  a is [0, 14, 4, 6, 8]
```

## Arrays

```
String[] a={"hip", "hip"};
//hip hip arrays!
```

#### **Arrays**

Why did the programmer quit his job?

Because he didn't get arrays.

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He didn't get arrays and he didn't get a raise.

Write the method average which accepts an int array and returns the average of the values.

Write the method countAboveAve which accepts an int array and returns the number of values that are above the average. You must call average.

Write the method largest which accepts an int array and returns the largest value of the array.

Write the method indexOfsmallest which accepts an int array and returns the index of the smallest value. If there are multiple smallest values, return the index of the first one.

Also write the main method with an array and check to make sure your methods work!

```
public static double average(int[] array){}
public static int countAboveAve(int[] array){}
public static int largest(int[] array){}
public static int indexOfsmallest(int[] array){}
```

This lab is on Processing.

Write the Ball class with attributes center\_x, center\_y, change\_x, change\_y, radius(floats) and a color.

Methods:

update()

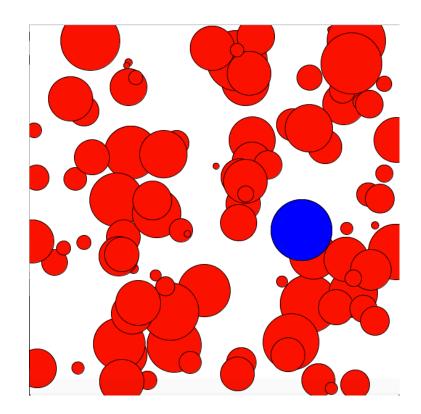
display()

Make it bounce on the screen. We have done this before but the the ball was not an object.

Create an array of ball objects and make it move on the screen!

Write a method largestBall that returns the largest Ball and set it to a different color.

There's a .pde template file on my github website if you need some help.



#### References

- 1) CPJava Website
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