

Arrays

CS1A

- Why use arrays?
- What are arrays?
- Declaring Arrays
- Using Arrays
- Parallel Arrays

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Why do we need Arrays?

```
int main ()
{
    int item0, item1, item2;
    int sum;

    cout << "Enter 3 integers: ";
    cin >> item0 >> item1 >> item2;

    sum = item0 + item1 + item2;

    cout << "The sum of the numbers = " << sum << endl;
    cout << "the numbers in reverse order are ";
    cout << item2 << " " << item1 << " " << item0 << endl;

    return 0;
}
```

What do we do if we have to store more than 1 piece of information of the same type?

We declare different variables.

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What are arrays?

A collection of data of the same type

- A special group of variables

Arrays can hold

- many pieces of data
- all have the same data type and name,
- but different values.
- “Aggregate” data type
 - Means “grouping”
- Used for lists of like items
 - Test scores, temperatures, names, etc.
 - Avoids declaring multiple simple variables
 - Can manipulate “list” as one entity

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Simple & Composite data types

Simple Data Types

- Data types that store only one piece of information
- What we have been using thus far
- short, int, long, float, double, char, bool

Structured / Composite Data types

- Each data item is a collection of other data items

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Declaring an Array

Syntax

```
dataType arrayName[number_of_elements];
```

Declaring an array allocates the memory for the array

Example

```
int scoresAr[5]; // declares an array of 5 integers
                // named score
```

The number of elements can be...

- a literal (e.g. 5)


```
int scoresAr[5]
```
- Or a named constant


```
const int NUMBER_OF_TESTS = 5;
int scoresAr[NUMBER_OF_TESTS];
```

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Elements and Indexes

Each individual item in an array is called an **element**

- Each element has an **index** associated with it

An index is a number which indicates which value we are referring to

Example

```
scoresAr[0] ← the first element in our array
```

Index

The first element is ALWAYS zero

So if we have 5 elements our indexes would be 0,1,2,3,4
or scoresAr[0], scoresAr[1], scoresAr [2], scoresAr[3], score[4]

Note:

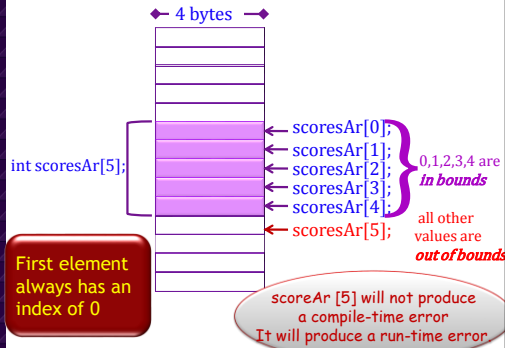
The **brackets** specify the **size** in the **declaration** and the **subscript** or **index** anywhere else

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Memory and Arrays



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Indexes

An index can be anything that evaluates to an integer

- A literal
 - e.g. scoresAr[4]
- A variable or a constant
 - e.g. scoresAr[i]
- An expression
 - e.g. scoresAr[2 * i - j]

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Initializing Arrays

Simple variables can be initialized at declaration:

int price = 0; // 0 is initial value of after declaration

or equivalently in the code

```
int price;
price = 0;
```

- Arrays can be initialized at declaration as well:

```
int itemsAr[3] = {2, 12, 1};
```

or equivalently in the code :

```
int itemsAr[3];
itemsAr[0] = 2;
itemsAr[1] = 12;
itemsAr[2] = 1;
```

This is not considered good style → do not do this in this class please

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Initializing Arrays (2)

if you have more elements than values in the list then the extras at the end default to 0

```
int itemsAr[5] = {2, 12, 1}; // int itemsAr[5] = {2, 12, 1, 0, 0};
```

This is not recommended!

This is okay!

You can also initialize all the elements to 0 using this method

```
int itemsAr[5] = {0};
```

This is okay!

if you have more values than elements specified then you will get a compiler error

```
int itemsAr[5] = {2, 12, 1, 2, 9, 5}; → compiler error
```

if you don't specify the number of elements it will default to the number of values in the list

```
int itemsAr[] = {2, 12, 1, 2, 9, 5}; → children will default to 6 elements
```

This is not recommended!

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Initializing using a FOR loop

```
#include <iostream.h>
```

```
int main()
```

```
{
```

```
float gpasAr[5]; // an array holding 5 grade point averages - INP. & OUT.
```

```
// load the array from the keyboard
```

```
for(int index = 0; index < 5; index++)
```

```
{
    cout << "Enter the gpa for student " << index + 1 << " : ";
    cin >> gpasAr[index];
}
```

```
// output the contents of the array
```

```
cout << "\n\nStudent Grade Point Averages\n";
```

```
for(int ind = 0; ind < 5; ind++)
```

```
{
    cout << "\nGPA for student " << ind + 1 << " : " << gpasAr[ind];
}
```

```
return 0;
```

```
}
```

NOTE: For Loops are very useful when you need to access every element in an array.

This loop initializes the array

This loop outputs the array

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Example

```
int main ()
```

```
{ int itemsAr[3];
```

```
int sum, index;
```

```
sum=0;
```

```
for (index = 0; index < 3 ; index++)
```

```
{
    cout << "Enter an Integer: ";
    cin >> itemsAr[index];
    sum = sum + itemsAr [index];
}
```

```
cout << "The sum of the numbers = " << sum << endl;
```

```
cout << "The numbers in reverse are: ";
```

```
for (index = 2 ; index > -1 ; index-- )
```

```
{
    cout << itemsAr [index] << " , ";
}
```

```
return 0;
```

```
}
```

Do a desk check with Inputs → 5, 10, 15

itemsAr	index	sum
0	1	2

Output

What if we want to have 10 items? What changes will we have to make?

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Defining a Constant as Array Size

- Always use defined/named constant for array size

Example:
`const int AR_SIZE = 5;`
`int scoresAr[AR_SIZE];`

- NOTE: Can't do this with a variable

- Improves readability
- Improves versatility
- Improves maintainability

Using a constant is considered a best practice

Note that it must be declared as an integer!

The number of elements must be known at compile time

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```
int main ()
{
    const int AR_SIZE = 10;
    int itemsAr [AR_SIZE];
    int sum, index;
    sum=0;

    for (index = 0 ; index < AR_SIZE; index++)
    {
        cout << "Enter an integer: ";
        cin >> itemsAr[index];
        sum = sum + itemsAr[index];
    }

    cout << "The sum of the numbers = " << sum << endl;
    cout << "The numbers in reverse order are: ";

    for (index = AR_SIZE-1; index > -1 ; index--)
    {
        cout << itemsAr[index] << " ";
    }

    return 0;
}
```

Instead of all those changes we can use a constant and just change the constant.

Works well if they have to enter 10 items

Note that this is AR_SIZE-1

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Initializing using while loops

- Need to check for out of bounds as well as user controlled LCV

```
...
int itemsAr[AR_SIZE];
int index;
int intInput;

index = 0;

// load the array from keyboard input
cout << "Enter the item (enter -1 when done): ";
cin >> intInput;
while (intInput != -1 && index < AR_SIZE)
{
    itemsAr[index] = intInput;

    cout << "Enter the item (enter -1 when done): ";
    cin >> intInput;
    index++;
}
```

Initialize Both LCVs

Change Both LCVs

Need to make sure we don't go out of bounds

What if we want to read in from a file?

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Initializing from a File

- Need to check if we are not at the end of our input file while (inFile) will handle this
 - inFile will return False if it is at the end of file
- We need to check 2 things then
 - While we are not at the end of the file
 - AND while we are still within bounds of our array

```
...
int index;
// load the array from the keyboard
index = 0;
while (inFile && index < AR_SIZE)
{
    cout << "Enter the gpa for student " << index + 1 << ": ";
    cin >> itemsAr[index];
    index++;
}
```

What is wrong with this code?

Should be reading in from inFile

Don't need to prompt The file

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Initializing from a File

- This is more appropriate

```
...
const int AR_SIZE = 5;

int itemsAr [AR_SIZE] = {0};
int index;
ifstream inFile;

inFile.open("input.txt");
// load the array from a file
index = 0;
while (inFile && index < AR_SIZE)
{
    inFile >> itemsAr [index];
    index++;
}
inFile.close();
```

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Common Errors

REMEMBER: Array indexes always start with zero!

- Zero is "first" number to computer scientists

- C++ will "let" you go out of range

- Unpredictable results
- Compiler will not detect these errors!

- Up to programmer to "stay in range"

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itemsAr		
0	1	2
5	10	15

- NOTE:** sizeof() will not work properly if you are passing an array into a function (it will give you the size of the address)
It is best to send the array size in functions → more on this later

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```
int itemsAr[AR_SIZE] = {0};  
// INPUT - read input from a file into the array  
index = 0;  
while (inFile && index < AR_SIZE)
```

This loop
initialize
the arra

This loop searches the array

NOTE: we should make sure we haven't exceeded the **size of our array** **AND** if we are looking for one element we should stop searching **when it is found**

NOTE: When this loop terminates the index will indicate where in the array searchItem was found. If the `index == MAX_ITEMS` we know it was not found

INPUT FILE
3 7 10 2 11

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0	1	2	3	4	5
3	7	10	2	10	12

index instances searchitem

AR_S

NOTE: We can use a for loop because we must search the entire array.

Let's do a deskcheck

Instances will indicate how many times it was found

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Aggregate Operation → any operation that manipulates the entire array as one component

To copy the elements from one array to another you can't just say

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

← this will produce a compiler error

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```

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Instead you can use a loop

```
for (int index = 0; index < 5; index ++)  
{  
    secondArray[index] = firstArray[index];  
}
```

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- Suppose you want to read in a bunch of values into your array
`cin >> firstArray;` ← this is illegal in C++ (except c-strings)

Instead you would use a loop

```
while (<non-terminal value exp> && index < AR_SIZE)
    cin >> firstArray[index];
```

- Other aggregate operations not allowed
 - if(arrayOne == arrayTwo) ← comparison - illegal
 - cout << arrayOne; ← output - illegal (except C-strings)
 - arrayTwo = arrayTwo - arrayOne; ← arithmetic - illegal
 - return arrayOne; ← returning an entire array - illegal

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An array stores the address of the first element in the array → this is called the *base address*

- o When you declare an array the computer remembers
 - The name of the array
 - The data type
 - The base address
 - And the number of elements
- o To access item[2] the computer calculates the address of item 2
 - Base address + $(4 * 2) \rightarrow$ 4 bytes 3rd element
- o This is why aggregate operations don't do what you'd expect

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Using Arrays in Functions

- As arguments to functions
 - Indexed variables
 - An individual "element" of an array can be function parameter

Example

```
AddTwoInts(int num1, int num2); // prototype
...
int intArray[5] = {1,2,3,4,5};
sum = AddTwoInts(intArray[1], intArray[2]);
```

An Array cannot be a return value in a function!

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Using Arrays in functions

Sending the entire array as a parameter

- All array elements can be as "one entity"
 - Arrays can be passed by reference ONLY
 - value would take too much memory
 - Since pass by reference is the only option we don't use the &
 - The size of the array is omitted
- You cannot return an array
 - You can modify the value of the elements in an array
- When an array is used as a parameter the base address is sent

Example

```
void InitializeIntArray(int listAr[], const int LIST_SIZE)
{
    int count;
    for (count = 0; count < LIST_SIZE; count++)
        listAr[count] = 0;
} // This function will initialize an int array of any size
```

If you do not want your array to be changed in a function how should you pass it?

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Using Arrays in functions (2)

If you don't want your array modified by a function
→ send it by constant reference

Example

```
int SumArray(const int LIST_AR[], const int LIST_SIZE)
{
    int index;
    int sum;

    for (index = 0; index < LIST_SIZE; index++)
    {
        sum = sum + LIST_AR[index];
    }
    return sum;
}
```

Note: const here

Passing a constant when you don't need to change the array is considered a best practice

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C-Strings are special arrays

- C++ treats arrays of type char a little differently
- 'A' ≠ "A"
 - 'A' ← represents the character A
 - "A" ← represents 2 characters A & \0

Null Terminator

```
char name[16] = {'P', 'e', 't', 'e', '\0'}; ⇔ char name[16] = "Pete";
char name[16] = "Pete"; ≠ char name[] = "Pete";
```

- No aggregate operations with c-strings → they are arrays
 - name = "Pete"; ← this is illegal

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Special C-String Operations

- strcpy(s1, s2)
 - Copies the string s2 into the string variable s1
 - The length of s1 should be at least as large as s2
- strncpy(s1, s2)
 - Same as strcpy, but checks the size of the destination string
 - Stores either the length of s2 unless it is too large then stores what will "fit" into s1
- strcmp(s1, s2)

Return value	if ASCII VALUES are such that
0	s1 == s2
Integer < 0	s1 < s2
Integer > 0	s1 > s2
- strlen(s)
 - Returns the length of string s (excluding the null terminator)

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Examples

```
strcpy(name, "Pete McBride");
// puts the value "Pete McBride" into the c-string name

strncpy (name2, name);
// puts the value of the c-string name to into the c-string name2

int val;
val = strlen("Happy camper");
// returns the value 12 and stores it in val (doesn't count \0)

val = strcmp("Pete ", "Steve");
// returns a value < 0

val = strcmp("Steve", "Pete ")
// returns a value > 0
```

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Parallel Arrays

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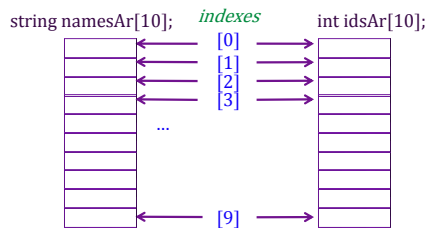
- When you have more than one data type to track in arrays, but they are related
- For example, if you want to track related data such as a
 - Name and id
- These are different data types, but related data
- We could create 2 parallel arrays to represent this data

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Parallel Arrays Example



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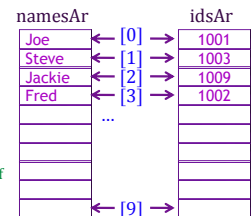
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Parallel Arrays Example

So if we had data like this:

Name	ID#
Joe	1001
Steve	1003
Jackie	1009
Fred	1002



We would first declare two arrays of the same size but different data types

```
const int AR_SIZE = 10;

string namesAr[AR_SIZE];
int idsAr[AR_SIZE];
```

Now our arrays can be associated by their index numbers

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Reading in Parallel Arrays

```
const int AR_SIZE = 10;

string namesAr[AR_SIZE];
int idsAr[AR_SIZE];
int index;

index = 0;

while (inFile && index < AR_SIZE)
{
    getline(inFile, namesAr[index]);
    inFile >> idsAr[index];
    inFile.ignore(1000, '\n');
    index++;
}
```

Remember you should use `getline` with strings

What do we need to add to use files?

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