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C++ provides a data structure, **the array**, which stores a fixed-size sequential collection of elements of the same type. An array is used to store a collection of data, but it is often more useful to think of an array as a collection of variables of the same type.

Instead of declaring individual variables, such as number0, number1, ..., and number99, you declare one array variable such as numbers and use numbers[0], numbers[1], and ..., numbers[99] to represent individual variables. A specific element in an array is accessed by an index.

All arrays consist of contiguous memory locations. The lowest address corresponds to the first element and the highest address to the last element.

Declaring Arrays

To declare an array in C++, the programmer specifies the type of the elements and the number of elements required by an array as follows

```
type arrayName [ arraySize ];
```

Array declaration by specifying the size

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```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;

int main()
```

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```
{
    // array declaration by specifying size
    int arr1[10];

    // With recent C/C++ versions, we can also
    // declare an array of user specified size
    int n = 10;
    int arr2[n];

    return 0;
}
```

Array declaration by initializing elements

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```
// Array declaration by initializing elements
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main()
{
    int arr[] = { 10, 20, 30, 40};
    return 0;
// Compiler creates an array of size 4.
// above is same as  "int arr[4] = {10, 20, 30, 40}"
}
```

Array declaration by specifying the size and initializing elements

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```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;

int main()
{
    // Array declaration by specifying size and initializing
    // elements
    int arr[6] = { 10, 20, 30, 40 };

    // Compiler creates an array of size 6, initializes first
    // 4 elements as specified by user and rest two elements as
    // 0. above is same as  "int arr[] = {10, 20, 30, 40, 0, 0}"

    return 0;
}
```

Advantages of an Array in C/C++:

Random access of elements using the array index.

Use of fewer lines of code as it creates a single array of multiple elements.

Easy access to all the elements.

Traversal through the array becomes easy using a single loop.

Sorting becomes easy as it can be accomplished by writing fewer lines of code.

Disadvantages of an Array in C/C++:

Allows a fixed number of elements to be entered which is decided at the time of declaration. Unlike a linked list, an array in C is not dynamic.

Insertion and deletion of elements can be costly since the elements are needed to be managed in accordance with the new memory allocation.

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Example

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;

int main()
{
    int arr[5];
    arr[0] = 5;
    arr[2] = -10;

    // this is same as arr[1] = 2
    arr[3 / 2] = 2;
    arr[3] = arr[0];

    cout << arr[0] << " " << arr[1] << " " << arr[2] << " "
         << arr[3];

    return 0;
}
```

Output

```
5 2 -10 5
```

No Index Out of bound Checking:

There is no index out of bounds checking in C/C++, for example, the following program compiles fine but may produce unexpected output when run.

```
// This C++ program compiles fine
// as index out of bound
// is not checked in C.
```

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```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;

int main()
{
    int arr[2];

    cout << arr[3] << " ";
    cout << arr[-2] << " ";

    return 0;
}
```

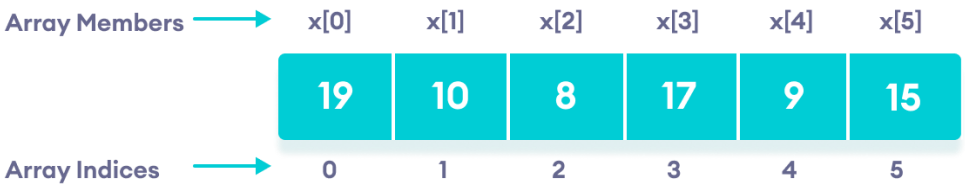
Output

```
211343841 4195777
```

C++ Array Initialization

In C++, it's possible to initialize an array during declaration. For example,

```
// declare and initialize and array
int x[6] = {19, 10, 8, 17, 9, 15};
```



Take Inputs from User and Store Them in an Array

```
#include <iostream>
```

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```cpp
using namespace std;

int main() {

  int numbers[5];

  cout << "Enter 5 numbers: " << endl;

  //  store input from user to array
  for (int i = 0; i < 5; ++i) {
    cin >> numbers[i];
  }

  cout << "The numbers are: ";

  //  print array elements
  for (int n = 0; n < 5; ++n) {
    cout << numbers[n] << "  ";
  }

  return 0;
}
```

Output

```
Enter 5 numbers:
11
12
13
14
15
The numbers are: 11  12  13  14  15
```

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Display Sum and Average of Array Elements Using for Loop

```
int main() {

  // initialize an array without specifying size
  double numbers[] = {7, 5, 6, 12, 35, 27};

  double sum = 0;
  double count = 0;
  double average;

  cout << "The numbers are: ";

  //  print array elements
  // use of range-based for loop
  for (const double &n : numbers) {
    cout << n << "  ";

    //  calculate the sum
    sum += n;

    // count the no. of array elements
    ++count;
  }

  // print the sum
  cout << "\nTheir Sum = " << sum << endl;

  // find the average
  average = sum / count;
  cout << "Their Average = " << average << endl;

  return 0;
}
```

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Output

```
The numbers are: 7  5  6  12  35  27
Their Sum = 92
Their Average = 15.3333
```

Write a C++ program to find the largest element of a given array of integers

```
#include<iostream>
using namespace std;
int find_largest(int nums[], int n) {
  return *max_element(nums, nums + n);
}

int main() {
  int nums[] = {
    5,
    4,
    9,
    12,
    8
  };
  int n = sizeof(nums) / sizeof(nums[0]);
    cout << "Original array:";
    for (int i=0; i < n; i++)
    cout << nums[i] <<" ";

  cout << "\nLargest element of the said array: "<<
find_largest(nums, n);
  return 0;
}
```