and then

denotes the component J (of type T) of component I of M.

For multidimensional arrays, it is customary to make these convenient abbreviations:

$$\mbox{ var M: array } \mbox{ [A..B,C..D] of T;} \\ \mbox{ and } \\$$

We may regard M as a matrix and say that M[I,J] is component J (in column J) of component I of M (of row I of M).

Arrays are not limited to two dimensions, for  ${\tt T}$  can again be a structured type. In general, the (abbreviated) form is:

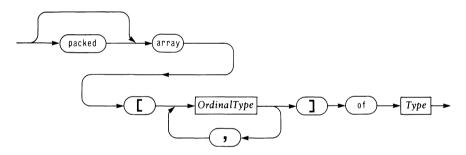


Figure 6.d Syntax diagram for ArrayType

If n index types are specified, the array is said to be n-dimensional, and a component is denoted by n index expressions.

If  ${\tt A}\,$  and  ${\tt B}\,$  are array variables of the same type, then the assignment statement

is allowed if the arrays are component-wise assignable:

$$A[i] := B[i]$$

(for each i that is a value of the index type), and is an abbreviation for the assignment of each corresponding component.