

Arrays

Chapter

7

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Foundations of Program Design



Arrays

- **Arrays are objects that help us organize large amounts of information**
- **Chapter 7 focuses on:**
 - **array declaration and use**
 - **bounds checking and capacity**
 - **arrays that store object references**
 - **variable length parameter lists**
 - **multidimensional arrays**
 - **the `ArrayList` class**
 - **polygons and polylines**
 - **mouse events and keyboard events**

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Arrays

- An *array* is an ordered list of values

The entire array
has a single name

Each value has a numeric *index*

A diagram illustrating an array. On the left, the word "scores" is written in green. A red arrow points from the text "The entire array has a single name" down to "scores". To the right of "scores" is a horizontal row of 10 yellow boxes, each containing a number. Above each box is its index, from 0 to 9. A red arrow points from the text "Each value has a numeric index" down to the index 5.

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
79	87	94	82	67	98	87	81	74	91

An array of size N is indexed from zero to N-1

This array holds 10 values that are indexed from 0 to 9

Arrays

- A particular value in an array is referenced using the array name followed by the index in brackets
- For example, the expression

`scores[2]`

refers to the value 94 (the 3rd value in the array)

- That expression represents a place to store a single integer and can be used wherever an integer variable can be used

Arrays

- **For example, an array element can be assigned a value, printed, or used in a calculation:**

```
scores[2] = 89;
```

```
scores[first] = scores[first] + 2;
```

```
mean = (scores[0] + scores[1])/2;
```

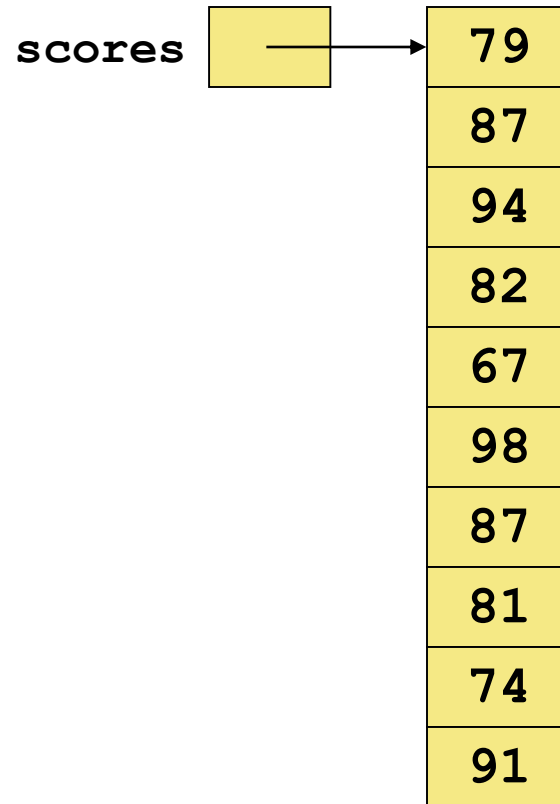
```
System.out.println ("Top = " + scores[5]);
```

Arrays

- The values held in an array are called *array elements*
- An array stores multiple values of the same type – the *element type*
- The element type can be a primitive type or an object reference
- Therefore, we can create an array of integers, an array of characters, an array of `String` objects, an array of `Coin` objects, etc.
- In Java, the array itself is an object that must be instantiated

Arrays

- Another way to depict the scores array:



Declaring Arrays

- The `scores` array could be declared as follows:

```
int[] scores = new int[10];
```

- The type of the variable `scores` is `int[]` (an array of integers)
- Note that the array type does not specify its size, but each object of that type has a specific size
- The reference variable `scores` is set to a new array object that can hold 10 integers

Declaring Arrays

- **Some other examples of array declarations:**

```
float[] prices = new float[500];
```

```
boolean[] flags;
```

```
flags = new boolean[20];
```

```
char[] codes = new char[1750];
```

Using Arrays

- The iterator version of the `for` loop can be used when processing array elements

```
for (int score : scores)
    System.out.println (score);
```

- This is only appropriate when processing all array elements from top (lowest index) to bottom (highest index)
- See [BasicArray.java](#) (page 374)

Bounds Checking

- Once an array is created, it has a fixed size
- An index used in an array reference must specify a valid element
- That is, the index value must be in range 0 to N-1
- The Java interpreter throws an `ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsException` if an array index is out of bounds
- This is called automatic *bounds checking*

Bounds Checking

- For example, if the array `codes` can hold 100 values, it can be indexed using only the numbers 0 to 99
- If the value of `count` is 100, then the following reference will cause an exception to be thrown:

```
System.out.println (codes[count]) ;
```

- It's common to introduce *off-by-one errors* when using arrays

```
for (int index=0; index <= 100, index++)  
    codes[index] = index*50 + epsilon;
```

problem

Bounds Checking

- Each array object has a public constant called `length` that stores the size of the array
- It is referenced using the array name:

`scores.length`
- Note that `length` holds the number of elements, not the largest index
- See [ReverseOrder.java](#) (page 377)
- See [LetterCount.java](#) (page 378)

Alternate Array Syntax

- The brackets of the array type can be associated with the element type or with the name of the array
- Therefore the following two declarations are equivalent:

```
float[] prices;
```

```
float prices[];
```

- The first format generally is more readable and should be used

Initializer Lists

- An *initializer list* can be used to instantiate and fill an array in one step
- The values are delimited by braces and separated by commas
- Examples:

```
int[] units = {147, 323, 89, 933, 540,  
              269, 97, 114, 298, 476};
```

```
char[] letterGrades = {'A', 'B', 'C', 'D', 'F'};
```


Initializer Lists

- **Note that when an initializer list is used:**
 - the `new` operator is not used
 - no size value is specified
- **The size of the array is determined by the number of items in the initializer list**
- **An initializer list can be used only in the array declaration**
- **See [Primes.java](#) (page 383)**

Arrays as Parameters

- **An entire array can be passed as a parameter to a method**
- **Like any other object, the reference to the array is passed, making the formal and actual parameters aliases of each other**
- **Therefore, changing an array element within the method changes the original**
- **An individual array element can be passed to a method as well, in which case the type of the formal parameter is the same as the element type**

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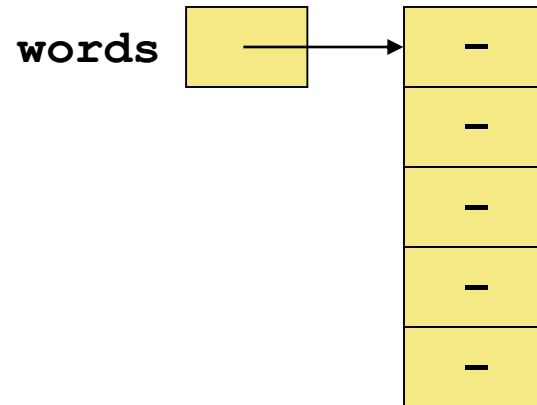
- The elements of an array can be object references
- The following declaration reserves space to store 5 references to `String` objects

```
String[] words = new String[5];
```

- It does NOT create the `String` objects themselves
- Initially an array of objects holds `null` references
- Each object stored in an array must be instantiated separately

Arrays of Objects

- The words array when initially declared:

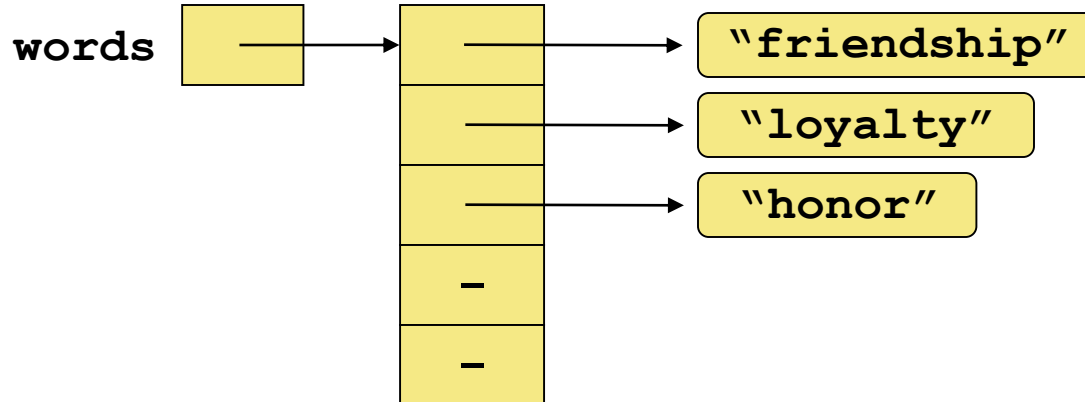


- At this point, the following reference would throw a `NullPointerException`:

```
System.out.println (words[0]) ;
```

Arrays of Objects

- After some `String` objects are created and stored in the array:



Arrays of Objects

- **Keep in mind that `String` objects can be created using literals**
- **The following declaration creates an array object called `verbs` and fills it with four `String` objects created using string literals**

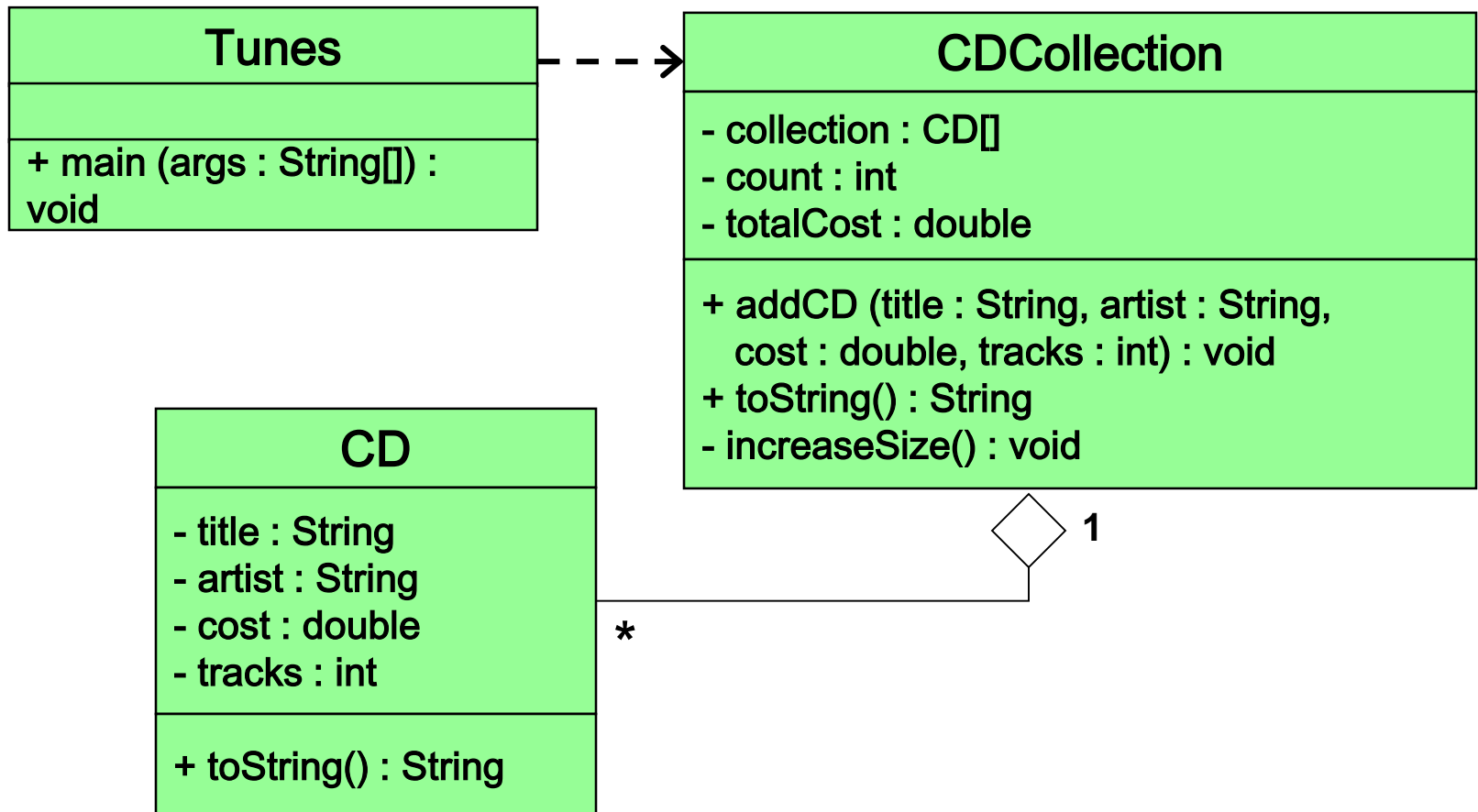
```
String[] verbs = {"play", "work", "eat", "sleep"};
```

Arrays of Objects

- The following example creates an array of `Grade` objects, each with a string representation and a numeric lower bound
- See [GradeRange.java](#) (page 386)
- See [Grade.java](#) (page 387)
- Now let's look at an example that manages a collection of `CD` objects
- See [Tunes.java](#) (page 389)
- See [CDCollection.java](#) (page 390)
- See [CD.java](#) (page 393)

Arrays of Objects

- A UML diagram for the Tunes program:



Command-Line Arguments

- The signature of the `main` method indicates that it takes an array of `String` objects as a parameter
- These values come from *command-line arguments* that are provided when the interpreter is invoked
- For example, the following invocation of the interpreter passes three `String` objects into `main`:

```
> java StateEval pennsylvania texas arizona
```
- These strings are stored at indexes 0-2 of the array parameter of the `main` method
- See [NameTag.java](#) (page 395)

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- Suppose we wanted to create a method that processed a different amount of data from one invocation to the next
- For example, let's define a method called `average` that returns the average of a set of integer parameters

```
// one call to average three values
```

```
mean1 = average (42, 69, 37);
```

```
// another call to average seven values
```

```
mean2 = average (35, 43, 93, 23, 40, 21, 75);
```

Variable Length Parameter Lists

- **We could define overloaded versions of the average method**
 - **Downside: we'd need a separate version of the method for each parameter count**
- **We could define the method to accept an array of integers**
 - **Downside: we'd have to create the array and store the integers prior to calling the method each time**
- **Instead, Java provides a convenient way to create *variable length parameter lists***

Variable Length Parameter Lists

- Using special syntax in the formal parameter list, we can define a method to accept any number of parameters of the same type
- For each call, the parameters are automatically put into an array for easy processing in the method

Indicates a variable length parameter list

```
public double average (int ... list)
{
    // whatever
}
```

↑ element type

↑ array name

Variable Length Parameter Lists

```
public double average (int ... list)
{
    double result = 0.0;

    if (list.length != 0)
    {
        int sum = 0;
        for (int num : list)
            sum += num;
        result = (double)sum / list.length;
    }

    return result;
}
```

Variable Length Parameter Lists

- **The type of the parameter can be any primitive or object type**

```
public void printGrades (Grade ... grades)
{
    for (Grade letterGrade : grades)
        System.out.println (letterGrade);
}
```


Variable Length Parameter Lists

- A method that accepts a variable number of parameters can also accept other parameters
- The following method accepts an `int`, a `String` object, and a variable number of `double` values into an array called `nums`

```
public void test (int count, String name,  
                 double ... nums)  
{  
    // whatever  
}
```

Variable Length Parameter Lists

- The varying number of parameters must come last in the formal arguments
- A single method cannot accept two sets of varying parameters
- Constructors can also be set up to accept a variable number of parameters
- See [VariableParameters.java](#) (page 398)
- See [Family.java](#) (page 399)

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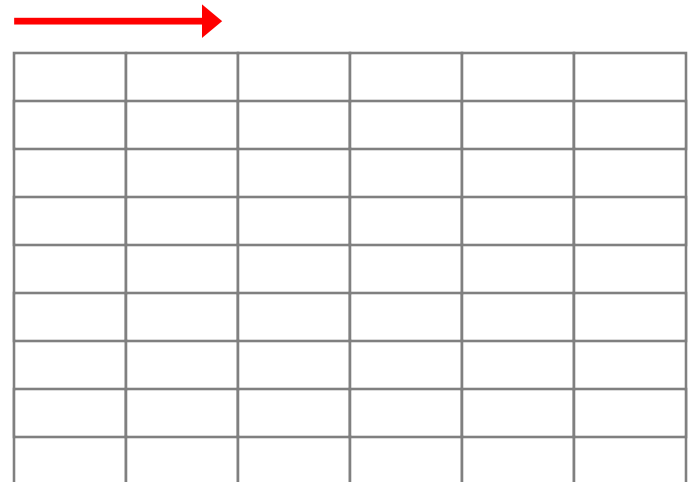
Two-Dimensional Arrays

- A *one-dimensional array* stores a list of elements
- A *two-dimensional array* can be thought of as a table of elements, with rows and columns

one
dimension



two
dimensions



Two-Dimensional Arrays

- To be precise, in Java a two-dimensional array is an array of arrays
- A two-dimensional array is declared by specifying the size of each dimension separately:

```
int[][] scores = new int[12][50];
```

- A array element is referenced using two index values:

```
value = scores[3][6]
```

- The array stored in one row can be specified using one index

Two-Dimensional Arrays

Expression	Type	Description
<code>table</code>	<code>int[] []</code>	2D array of integers, or array of integer arrays
<code>table[5]</code>	<code>int[]</code>	array of integers
<code>table[5][12]</code>	<code>int</code>	integer

- See [TwoDArray.java](#) (page 401)
- See [SodaSurvey.java](#) (page 402)

Multidimensional Arrays

- An array can have many dimensions – if it has more than one dimension, it is called a *multidimensional array*
- Each dimension subdivides the previous one into the specified number of elements
- Each dimension has its own `length` constant
- Because each dimension is an array of array references, the arrays within one dimension can be of different lengths
 - these are sometimes called *ragged arrays*

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The ArrayList Class

- The `ArrayList` class is part of the `java.util` package
- Like an array, it can store a list of values and reference each one using a numeric index
- However, you cannot use the bracket syntax with an `ArrayList` object
- Furthermore, an `ArrayList` object grows and shrinks as needed, adjusting its capacity as necessary

The ArrayList Class

- **Elements can be inserted or removed with a single method invocation**
- **When an element is inserted, the other elements "move aside" to make room**
- **Likewise, when an element is removed, the list "collapses" to close the gap**
- **The indexes of the elements adjust accordingly**

The ArrayList Class

- An `ArrayList` stores references to the `Object` class, which allows it to store any kind of object
- See [Beatles.java](#) (page 407)
- We can also define an `ArrayList` object to accept a particular type of object
- The following declaration creates an `ArrayList` object that only stores `Family` objects

```
ArrayList<Family> reunion = new ArrayList<Family>
```

- This is an example of *generics*, which are discussed further in Chapter 12

ArrayList Efficiency

- The `ArrayList` class is implemented using an underlying array
- The array is manipulated so that indexes remain continuous as elements are added or removed
- If elements are added to and removed from the end of the list, this processing is fairly efficient
- But as elements are inserted and removed from the front or middle of the list, the remaining elements are shifted

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- Arrays can be helpful in graphics processing
- For example, they can be used to store a list of coordinates
- A *polygon* is a multisided, closed shape
- A *polyline* is similar to a polygon except that its endpoints do not meet, and it cannot be filled
- See [Rocket.java](#) (page 411)
- See [RocketPanel.java](#) (page 412)

The Polygon Class

- The `Polygon` class can also be used to define and draw a polygon
- It is part of the `java.awt` package
- Versions of the overloaded `drawPolygon` and `fillPolygon` methods take a single `Polygon` object as a parameter instead of arrays of coordinates
- A `Polygon` object encapsulates the coordinates of the polygon

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Mouse Events

- Events related to the mouse are separated into *mouse events* and *mouse motion events*
- **Mouse Events:**

<i>mouse pressed</i>	the mouse button is pressed down
<i>mouse released</i>	the mouse button is released
<i>mouse clicked</i>	the mouse button is pressed down and released without moving the mouse in between
<i>mouse entered</i>	the mouse pointer is moved onto (over) a component
<i>mouse exited</i>	the mouse pointer is moved off of a component

Mouse Events

- **Mouse Motion Events:**

<i>mouse moved</i>	the mouse is moved
<i>mouse dragged</i>	the mouse is moved while the mouse button is pressed down

- **Listeners for mouse events are created using the `MouseListener` and `MouseMotionListener` interfaces**
- **A `MouseEvent` object is passed to the appropriate method when a mouse event occurs**

Mouse Events

- For a given program, we may only care about one or two mouse events
- To satisfy the implementation of a listener interface, empty methods must be provided for unused events
- See [Dots.java](#) (page 415)
- See [DotsPanel.java](#) (page 416)

Mouse Events

- ***Rubberbanding*** is the visual effect in which a shape is "stretched" as it is drawn using the mouse
- The following example continually redraws a line as the mouse is dragged
- See [RubberLines.java](#) (page 419)
- See [RubberLinesPanel.java](#) (page 420)

Key Events

- A *key event* is generated when the user types on the keyboard

<i>key pressed</i>	a key on the keyboard is pressed down
<i>key released</i>	a key on the keyboard is released
<i>key typed</i>	a key on the keyboard is pressed down and released

- Listeners for key events are created by implementing the `KeyListener` interface
- A `KeyEvent` object is passed to the appropriate method when a key event occurs

Key Events

- The component that generates a key event is the one that has the current *keyboard focus*
- Constants in the `KeyEvent` class can be used to determine which key was pressed
- The following example "moves" an image of an arrow as the user types the keyboard arrow keys
- See [Direction.java](#) (page 423)
- See [DirectionPanel.java](#) (page 424)

Summary

- **Chapter 7 has focused on:**
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 - **arrays that store object references**
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 - **the `ArrayList` class**
 - **polygons and polylines**
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