

Data Structure and Algorithms

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Arrays

- An array is defined as
 - **Ordered** collection of a **fixed number** of elements
 - All elements are of the **same data type**
- Basic operations
 - **Direct access** to each element in the array
 - Values can be **retrieved** or **stored** in each element

Properties of an Array

- Ordered
 - Every element has a well defined position
 - First element, second element, etc.
- Fixed size or capacity
 - Total number of elements are fixed
- Homogeneous
 - Elements must be of the same data type (and size)
 - Use arrays only for homogeneous data sets
- Direct access
 - Elements are accessed directly by their position
 - Time to access each element is same
 - **Different to sequential access** where an element is only accessed after the preceding elements

Declaring Arrays in C/C++

dataType arrayName[size];

- datatype – Any data type, e.g., integer, character, etc.
- arrayName – Name of array using any valid identifier
- intExp – **Constant** expression that evaluates to a positive integer
- Example:
 - `const int SIZE = 10;`
 - `Int list[SIZE];`
- Compiler **reserves a block of consecutive memory locations** enough to hold size of values int.



Why constant?

Accessing Arrays in C/C++

arrayName[index];

- indexExp – called **index**, is any expression that evaluates to a positive integer
- In C/C++
 - Array index starts at 0
 - Elements of array are indexed 0, 1, 2, ..., SIZE-1
 - [] is called array subscripting operator

- Example

- `Int value = list[2];`
- `list[0] = value + 2;`

list[0]	7
list[1]	
list[2]	5
list[3]	
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list[9]	

C/C++ Implementation of an Array ADT

As an ADT	In C/C++
Ordered	Index: 0, 1, 2, ... SIZE-1
Fixed Size	intExp is constant
Homogeneous	dataType is the type of all elements
Direct Access	Array subscripting operator []

Array Initialization in C/C++

dataType arrayName[index] = {list of values}

- In C/C++, arrays can be **initialized at declaration**
- index is **optional**: Not necessary to specify the size
- Example: Numeric arrays

```
double score[ ] = {0.11, 0.13, 0.16, 0.18, 0.21}
```

 0 1 2 3 4

score	0.11	0.13	0.16	0.18	0.21
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- Example: Character arrays

```
char vowel[5] = { 'A', 'E', 'I', 'O', 'U' }
```

 0 1 2 3 4

vowel	A	E	I	O	U
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Array Initialization in C/C++

- **Fewer values** are specified than the declared size of an array
 - Numeric arrays: Remaining elements are assigned zero
 - Character arrays: Remaining elements contains null character '\0'
 - ASCII code of '\0' is zero

- Example:

- `double score[5] = {0.11, 0.13, 0.16}`

	0	1	2	3	4
score	0.11	0.13	0.16	0	0

- `char name[6] = {'J', 'O', 'H', 'N'}`

	0	1	2	3	4	5
name	J	O	H	N	\0	\0

- If **more values** are specified than declared size of an array
 - **Error** is occurred: Handling depends on compiler

Array Addressing

- Consider an array declaration: `int list [4] = { 1, 2, 4, 5}`
 - Compiler allocates a **block of four memory spaces**
 - Each memory space is large enough to **store an int value**
 - Four memory spaces are **contiguous**
- **Base address**
 - Address of the first byte (or word) in the contiguous block of memory
 - Address of the memory location of the first array element
 - Address of element `list[0]`
- Memory address associated with **arrayName** stores the **base address**
- Example:
 - `cout << list << endl;` (Print 1000)
 - `cout << *list << endl;` (Print 1)
- ***** is dereferencing operator
 - Returns content of a memory location



Array Addressing

- Consider a statement: `cout << list[3];`
 - Requires array reference `list[3]` be **translated into memory address**
 - **Offset**: Determines the address of a particular element w.r.t. base address
- Translation
 - Base address + offset = $1000 + 3 \times \text{sizeof(int)} = 1012$
 - Content of address 1012 are retrieved & displayed
- An **address translation** is carried out each time an array **element is accessed**
- What will be printed and why?
`cout << *(list+3) << endl;`



Questions

Why does an array index start at zero?

Why arrays are not passed by value?

Two Dimensional Arrays – Declaration

dataType arrayName[intExp1][intExp2];

- intExp1 – **constant** expression specifying number of **rows**
- intExp2 – **constant** expression specifying number of **columns**

- Example:

```
const int    NUM_ROW    =    2,    NUM_COLUMN    =  
    4;  
double scoreTable [NUM_ROW][NUM_COLUMN];
```

- Initialization:

```
Double scoreTable [ ][4] = {{0.5, 0.6, 0.3}, {0.6, 0.3, 0.8}};
```

- List the initial values in braces, **row by row**
- May use internal braces for each row to improve readability

Two Dimensional Arrays – Processing

arrayName[row index][col index];

- indexExp1 – row index
- indexExp2 – column index
- Rows and columns are numbered from 0
- Use nested loops to vary two indices
 - Row-wise or column-wise manner
- Example:
 double value = score[2][1];
 score[0][3] = value + 2.0;

score	[0]	[1]	[2]	[3]
[0]				2.7
[1]				
[2]		0.7		
[3]				
	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
[9]				

Two-dimensional Arrays in Memory

- Two ways to be represented in memory
 - Column majored
 - Column by column
 - Row majored
 - Row by row
- Representation depends upon the programming language

	(1,1)	
	(2,1)	Column 1
	(3,1)	
	(1,2)	
	(2,2)	Column 2
	(3,2)	
	(1,3)	
	(2,3)	Column 3
	(3,3)	
	(1,4)	
	(2,4)	Column 4
	(3,4)	

	(1,1)	
	(1,2)	Row 1
	(1,3)	
	(1,4)	
	(2,1)	
	(2,2)	Row 2
	(2,3)	
	(2,4)	
	(3,1)	
	(3,2)	Row 3
	(3,3)	
	(3,4)	

Any Question So Far?

