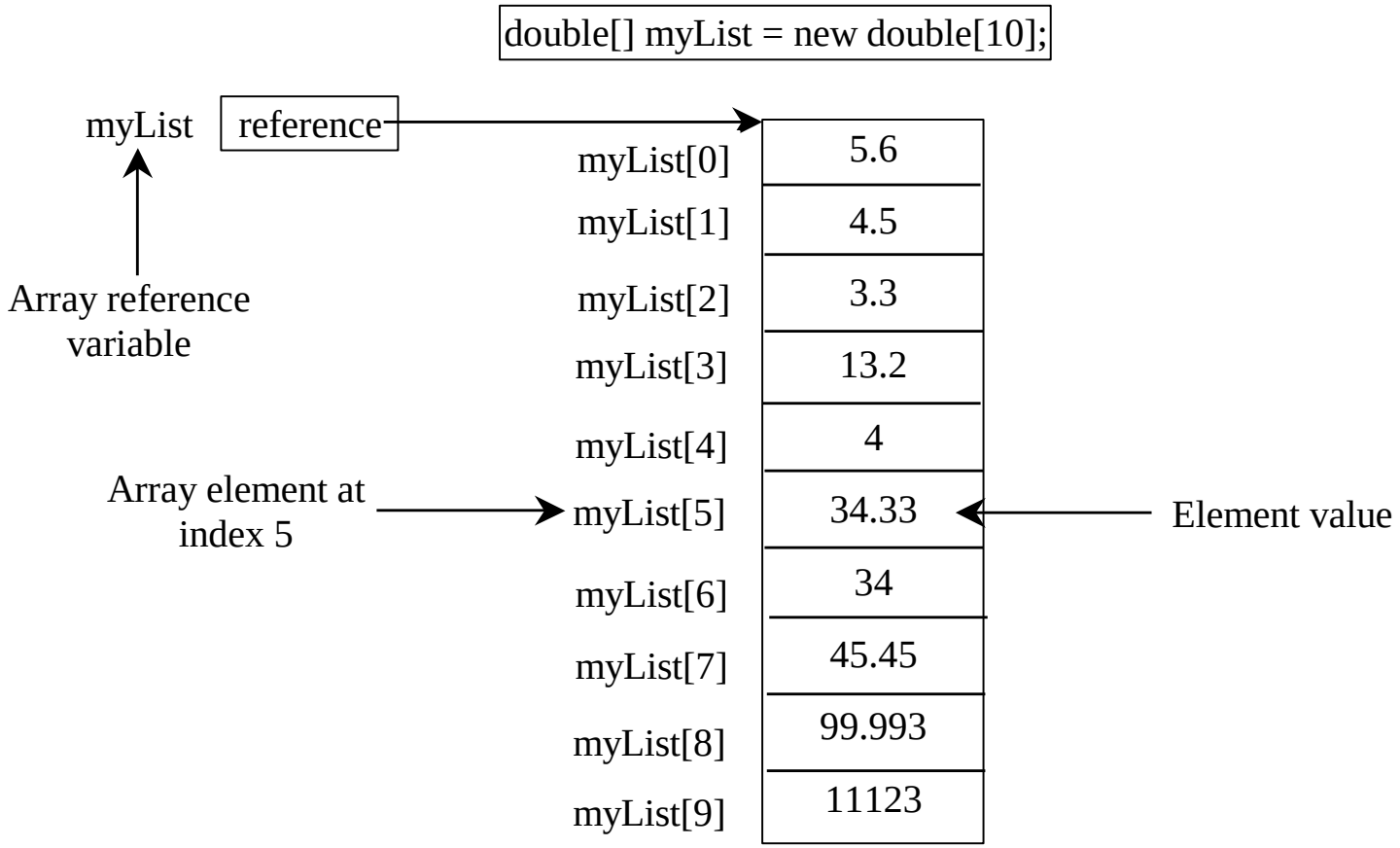
Chapter 6 Arrays

Read one hundred numbers, compute their average, and find out how many numbers are above the average.

Introducing Arrays

Array is a data structure that represents a collection of the same types of data.



Declaring Array Variables

- `datatype[] arrayRefVar;`

  Example:

  ```
  double[] myList;
  ```

- `datatype arrayRefVar[];` // This style is allowed, but not preferred

  Example:

  ```
  double myList[];
  ```

Creating Arrays

```
arrayRefVar = new datatype[arraySize];
```

Example:

```
myList = new double[10];
```

`myList[0]` references the first element in the array.

`myList[9]` references the last element in the array.

Declaring and Creating in One Step

- `datatype[] arrayRefVar = new datatype[arraySize];`

```
double[] myList = new double[10];
```

- `datatype arrayRefVar[] = new datatype[arraySize];`

```
double myList[] = new double[10];
```

The Length of an Array

Once an array is created, its size is fixed. It cannot be changed. You can find its size using

```
arrayRefVar.length
```

For example,

```
myList.length returns 10
```

Default Values

When an array is created, its elements are assigned the default value of

0 for the numeric primitive data types,
'\u0000' for char types, and
false for boolean types.

Indexed Variables

The array elements are accessed through the index. The array indices are *0-based*, i.e., it starts from 0 to arrayRefVar.length-1. In the example in Figure 6.1, myList holds ten double values and the indices are from 0 to 9.

Each element in the array is represented using the following syntax, known as an *indexed variable*:

```
arrayRefVar[index];
```

Using Indexed Variables

After an array is created, an indexed variable can be used in the same way as a regular variable. For example, the following code adds the value in myList[0] and myList[1] to myList[2].

```
myList[2] = myList[0] + myList[1];
```

Array Initializers

- Declaring, creating, initializing in one step:

```
double[] myList = {1.9, 2.9, 3.4, 3.5};
```

This shorthand syntax must be in one statement.

Declaring, creating, initializing Using the Shorthand Notation

```
double[] myList = {1.9, 2.9, 3.4, 3.5};
```

This shorthand notation is equivalent to the following statements:

```
double[] myList = new double[4];

myList[0] = 1.9;

myList[1] = 2.9;

myList[2] = 3.4;

myList[3] = 3.5;
```

CAUTION

Using the shorthand notation, you have to declare, create, and initialize the array all in one statement. Splitting it would cause a syntax error. For example, the following is wrong:

```
double[] myList;


myList = {1.9, 2.9, 3.4, 3.5};
```

Processing Arrays

See the examples in the text.

1. (Initializing arrays with input values)
2. (Initializing arrays with random values)
3. (Printing arrays)
4. (Summing all elements)
5. (Finding the largest element)
6. (Finding the smallest index of the largest element)

Initializing arrays with input values

```
java.util.Scanner input = new java.util.Scanner(System.in);
System.out.print("Enter " + myList.length + " values: ");
for (int i = 0; i < myList.length; i++)
  myList[i] = input.nextDouble();
```

Initializing arrays with random values

```
for (int i = 0; i < myList.length; i++) {
  myList[i] = Math.random() * 100;
}
```

Printing arrays

```
for (int i = 0; i < myList.length; i++) {
  System.out.print(myList[i] + " ");
}
```

Summing all elements

```
double total = 0;
for (int i = 0; i < myList.length; i++) {
  total += myList[i];
}
```

Finding the largest element

```
double max = myList[0];
for (int i = 1; i < myList.length; i++) {
  if (myList[i] > max) max = myList[i];
}
```

Enhanced for Loop (for-each loop)

JDK 1.5 introduced a new for loop that enables you to traverse the complete array sequentially without using an index variable. For example, the following code displays all elements in the array myList:

```
for (double value: myList)
  System.out.println(value);
```

In general, the syntax is

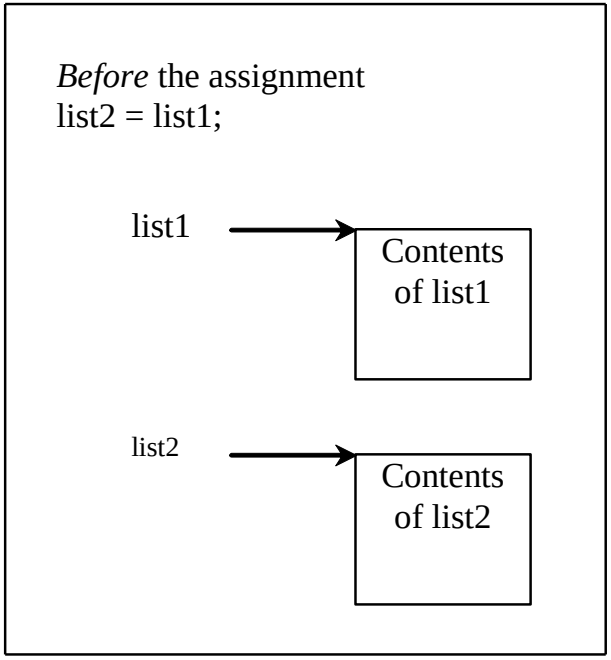
```
for (elementType value: arrayRefVar) {
  // Process the value
}
```

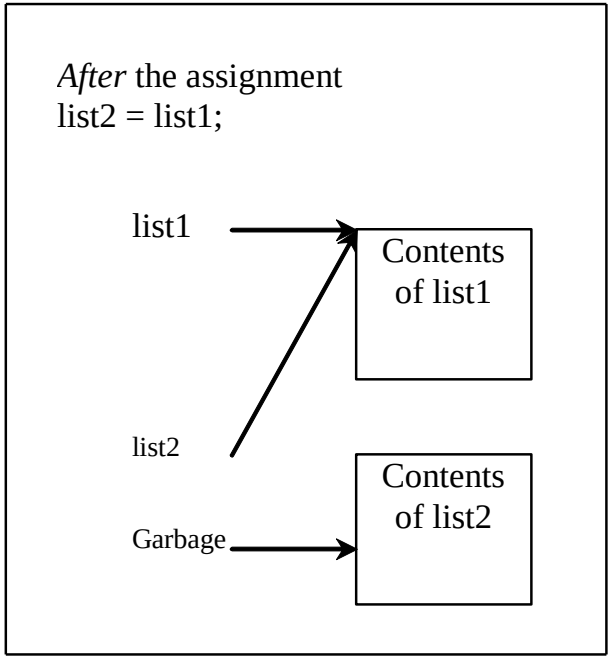
You still have to use an index variable if you wish to traverse the array in a different order or change the elements in the array.

Copying Arrays

Often, in a program, you need to duplicate an array or a part of an array. In such cases you could attempt to use the assignment statement (=), as follows:

list2 = list1;





Copying Arrays

Using a loop:

```
int[] sourceArray = {2, 3, 1, 5, 10};
int[] targetArray = new
 int[sourceArray.length];

for (int i = 0; i < sourceArrays.length; i++)
   targetArray[i] = sourceArray[i];
```

The `arraycopy` Utility

```
arraycopy(sourceArray, src_pos,
 targetArray, tar_pos, length);
```

Example:

```
System.arraycopy(sourceArray, 0,
 targetArray, 0, sourceArray.length);
```

The Arrays.sort Method

Since sorting is frequently used in programming, Java provides several overloaded sort methods for sorting an array of int, double, char, short, long, and float in the java.util.Arrays class. For example, the following code sorts an array of numbers and an array of characters.

```
double[] numbers = {6.0, 4.4, 1.9, 2.9, 3.4, 3.5};
java.util.Arrays.sort(numbers);

char[] chars = {'a', 'A', '4', 'F', 'D', 'P'};
java.util.Arrays.sort(chars);
```

Declare/Create Two-dimensional Arrays

```
// Declare array ref var
dataType[][] refVar;

// Create array and assign its reference to variable
refVar = new dataType[10][10];

// Combine declaration and creation in one statement
dataType[][] refVar = new dataType[10][10];

// Alternative syntax
dataType refVar[][] = new dataType[10][10];
```

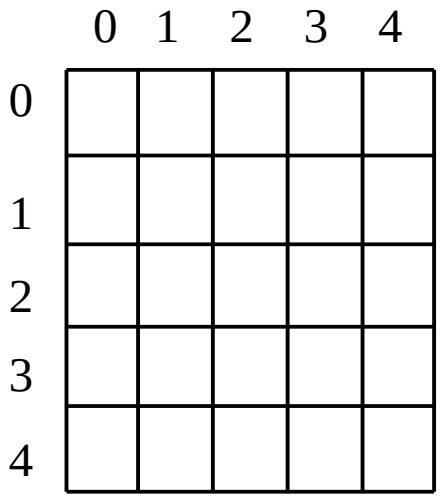
Declaring Variables of Two-dimensional Arrays and Creating Two-dimensional Arrays

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

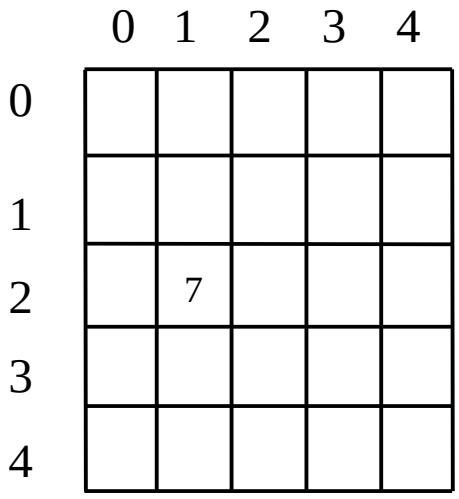
or

```
int matrix[][] = new int[10][10];
matrix[0][0] = 3;

for (int i = 0; i < matrix.length; i++)
  for (int j = 0; j < matrix[i].length; j++)
    matrix[i][j] = (int)(Math.random() * 1000);

double[][] x;
```

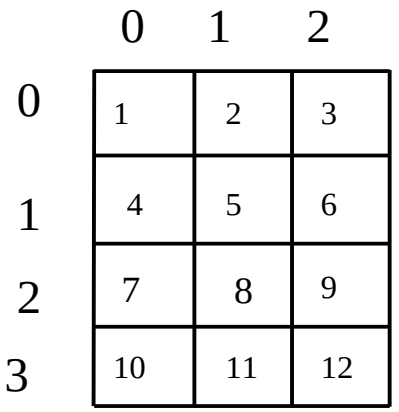
Two-dimensional Array Illustration




```
matrix = new int[5][5];
```




```
matrix[2][1] = 7;
```




```
int[][] array = {
  {1, 2, 3},
  {4, 5, 6},
  {7, 8, 9},
  {10, 11, 12}
};
```

matrix.length? 5

matrix[0].length? 5

array.length? 4

array[0].length? 3

Declaring, Creating, and Initializing Using Shorthand Notations

You can also use an array initializer to declare, create and initialize a two-dimensional array. For example,

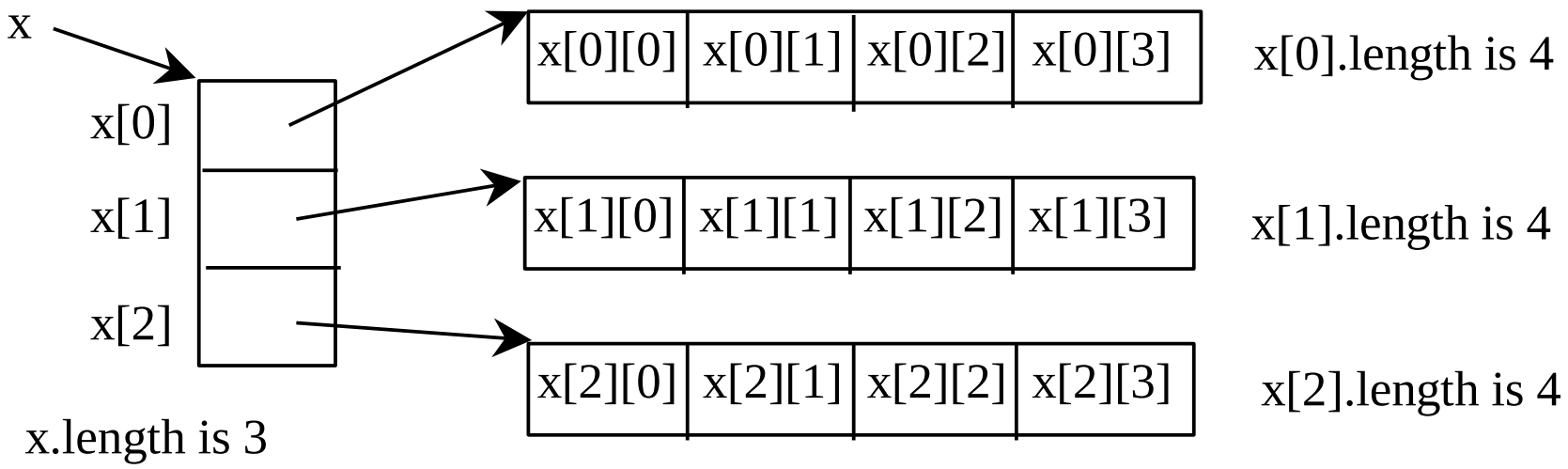
```
int[][] array = {
  {1, 2, 3},
  {4, 5, 6},
  {7, 8, 9},
  {10, 11, 12}
};
```

Same as

```
int[][] array = new int[4][3];
array[0][0] = 1; array[0][1] = 2; array[0][2] = 3;
array[1][0] = 4; array[1][1] = 5; array[1][2] = 6;
array[2][0] = 7; array[2][1] = 8; array[2][2] = 9;
array[3][0] = 10; array[3][1] = 11; array[3][2] = 12;
```

Lengths of Two-dimensional Arrays

```
int[][] x = new int[3][4];
```



Lengths of Two-dimensional Arrays, cont.

```
int[][] array = {
  {1, 2, 3},
  {4, 5, 6},
  {7, 8, 9},
  {10, 11, 12}
};
```

array.length

array[0].length

array[1].length

array[2].length

array[3].length

array[4].length ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsException

Ragged Arrays

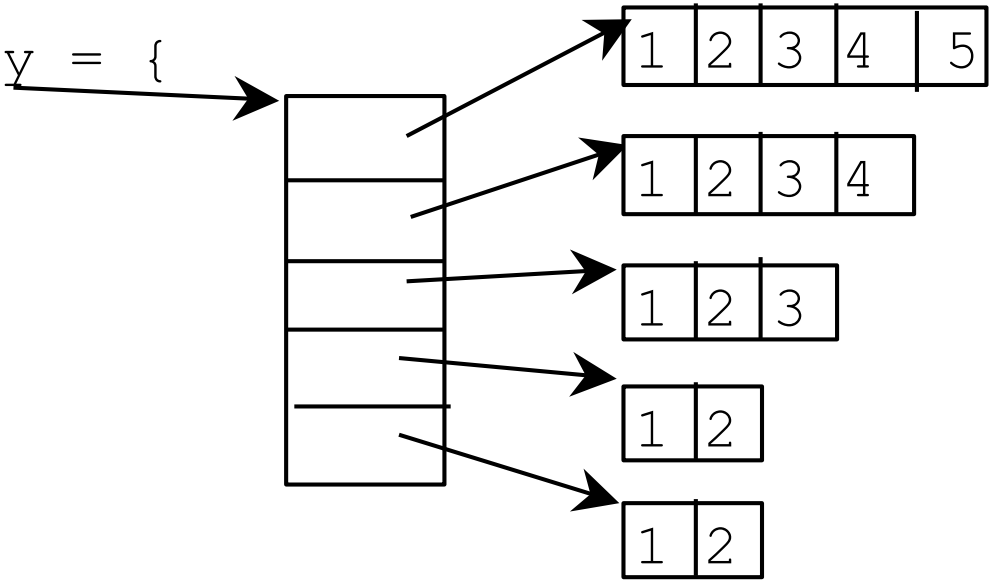
Each row in a two-dimensional array is itself an array. So, the rows can have different lengths. Such an array is known as *a ragged array*. For example,

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

matrix.length is 5
matrix[0].length is 5
matrix[1].length is 4
matrix[2].length is 3
matrix[3].length is 2
matrix[4].length is 1

Ragged Arrays, cont.

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



Processing Two-Dimensional Arrays

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1. (Initializing arrays with input values)
2. (Printing arrays)
3. (Summing all elements)
4. (Summing all elements by column)
5. (Which row has the largest sum)
6. (Finding the smallest index of the largest element)

Initializing arrays with input values

```
java.util.Scanner input = new Scanner(System.in);
System.out.println("Enter " + matrix.length + " rows and " +
  matrix[0].length + " columns: ");
for (int row = 0; row < matrix.length; row++) {
  for (int column = 0; column < matrix[row].length; column++) {
    matrix[row][column] = input.nextInt();
  }
}
```

Initializing arrays with random values

```
for (int row = 0; row < matrix.length; row++) {
  for (int column = 0; column < matrix[row].length; column++) {
    matrix[row][column] = (int)(Math.random() * 100);
  }
}
```

Printing arrays

```
for (int row = 0; row < matrix.length; row++) {
  for (int column = 0; column < matrix[row].length; column++) {
    System.out.print(matrix[row][column] + " ");
  }

  System.out.println();
}
```

Summing all elements

```
int total = 0;
for (int row = 0; row < matrix.length; row++) {
  for (int column = 0; column < matrix[row].length; column++) {
    total += matrix[row][column];
  }
}
```

Summing elements by column

```
for (int column = 0; column < matrix[0].length; column++) {
  int total = 0;
  for (int row = 0; row < matrix.length; row++)
    total += matrix[row][column];
  System.out.println("Sum for column " + column + " is "
    + total);
}
```

Multidimensional Arrays

Occasionally, you will need to represent n-dimensional data structures. In Java, you can create n-dimensional arrays for any integer n.

The way to declare two-dimensional array variables and create two-dimensional arrays can be generalized to declare n-dimensional array variables and create n-dimensional arrays for n >= 3. For example, the following syntax declares a three-dimensional array variable scores, creates an array, and assigns its reference to scores.

```
double[][][] scores = new double[10][5][2];
```