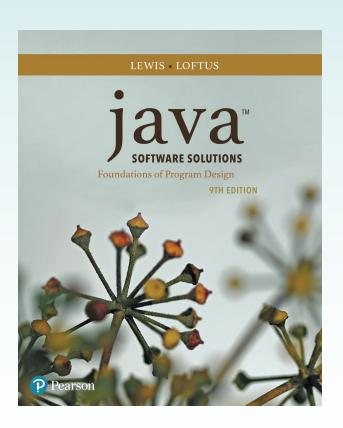
Chapter 8 Arrays



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- Arrays are objects that help us organize large amounts of information
- Chapter 8 focuses on:
 - array declaration and use
 - bounds checking and capacity
 - arrays that store object references
 - variable length parameter lists
 - multidimensional arrays
 - polygons and polylines
 - choice boxes

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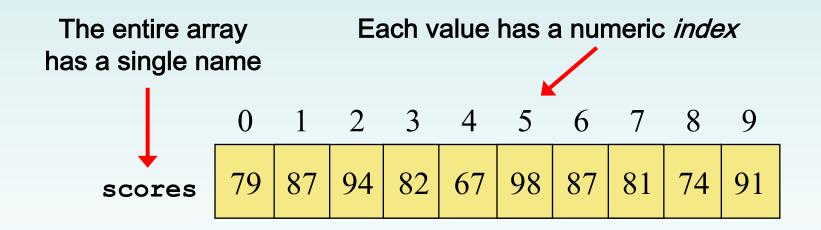
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- The ArrayList class, introduced in Chapter 5, is used to organize a list of objects
- It is a class in the Java API
- An array is a programming language construct used to organize a list of objects
- It has special syntax to access elements
- As its name implies, the ArrayList class uses an array internally to manage the list of objects

An array is an ordered list of values:



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

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

- 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)

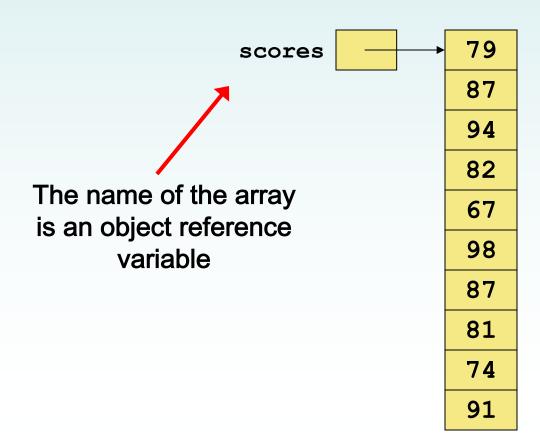
 That expression represents a place to store a single integer and can be used wherever an integer variable can be used

 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]);
pick = scores[rand.nextInt(11)];
```

- 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
- 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:

```
int[] weights = new int[2000];
double[] prices = new double[500];
boolean[] flags;
flags = new boolean[20];
char[] codes = new char[1750];
```

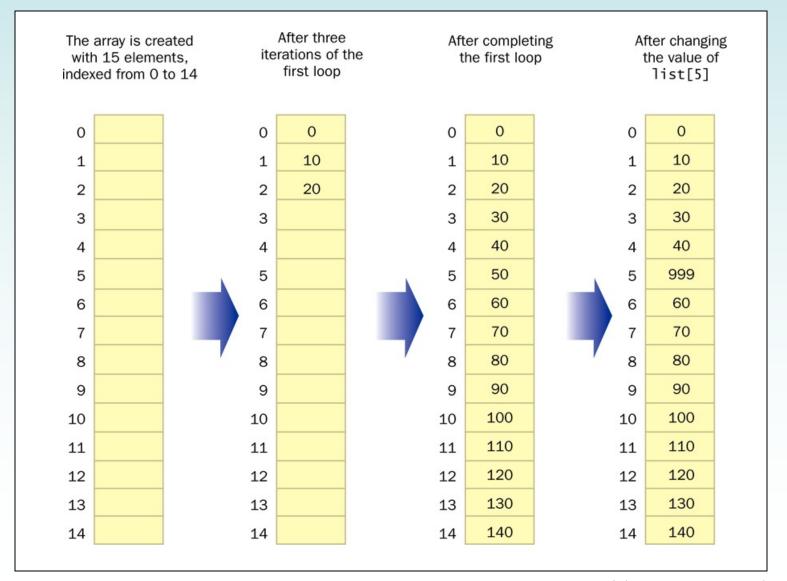
Using Arrays

 The for-each 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 starting at index 0
- It can't be used to set the array values
- See BasicArray.java

Basic Array Example



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int[] ages = new int[100];
```

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```
for (int value : values)
System.out.println(value);
```

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 from 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:

problem

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

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
- See LetterCount.java

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:

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 list
- An initializer list can be used only in the array declaration
- See Primes.java

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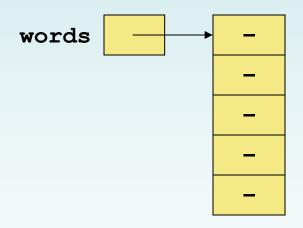
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- The elements of an array can be object references
- The following declaration reserves space to store 5 references to String objects

```
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

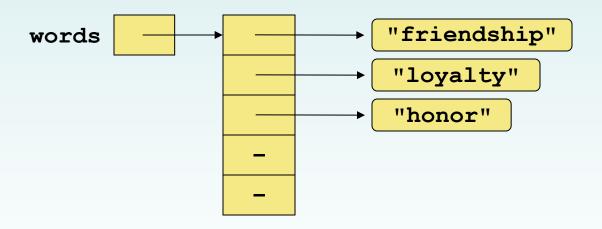
The words array when initially declared:



• At this point, the following line of code would throw a NullPointerException:

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

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

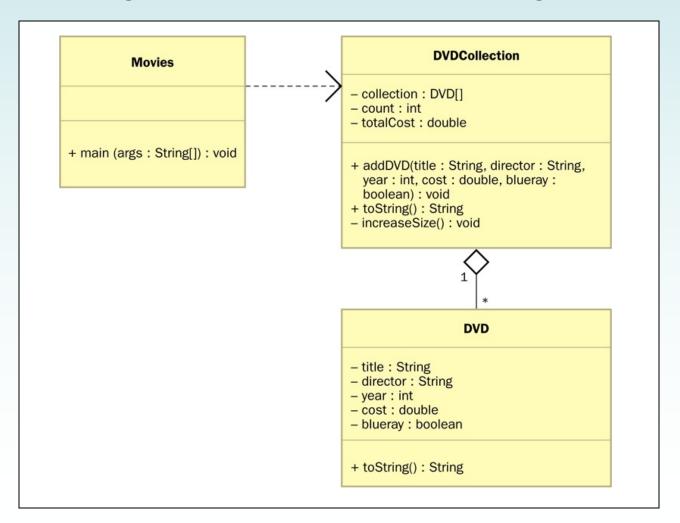


- Keep in mind that String objects can be created using literals
- The following declaration creates an array object called verbs and fills it with four String objects created using string literals

- The following example creates an array of Grade objects, each with a string representation and a numeric lower bound
- The letter grades include plus and minus designations, so must be stored as strings instead of char
- See GradeRange.java
- See Grade.java

- Now let's look at an example that manages a collection of DVD objects
- An initial capacity of 100 is created for the collection
- If more room is needed, a private method is used to create a larger array and transfer the current DVDs
- See Movies.java
- See DVDCollection.java
- See DVD.java

• A UML diagram for the Movies 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 the main method of the StateEval program:

java StateEval pennsylvania texas arizona

• See NameTag.java

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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);
```

- We could define overloaded versions of the average method
 - Downside: we'd need a separate version of the method for each additional parameter
- 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

- 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 array
    type name
```

```
public double average(int ... list)
   double result = 0.0;
   if (list.length != 0)
      int sum = 0;
      for (int num : list)
         sum += num;
      result = (double) num / list.length;
   return result;
```

 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);
}
```

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```
public int distance(int ... list)
{
  int sum = 0;
  for (int num : list)
    sum = sum + num;
  return sum;
}
```

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

Variable Length Parameter Lists

- The varying number of parameters must come last in the formal arguments
- A method cannot accept two sets of varying parameters
- Constructors can also be set up to accept a variable number of parameters
- See VariableParameters.java
- See Family.java

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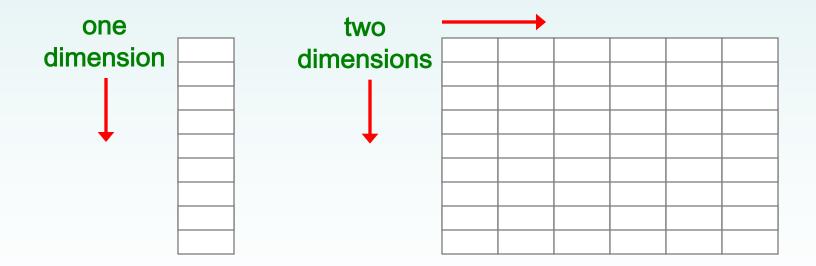
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Two-Dimensional Arrays

- 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



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

A array element is referenced using two index values:

```
value = table[3][6]
```

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

Two-Dimensional Arrays

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

- See TwoDArray.java
- See SodaSurvey.java

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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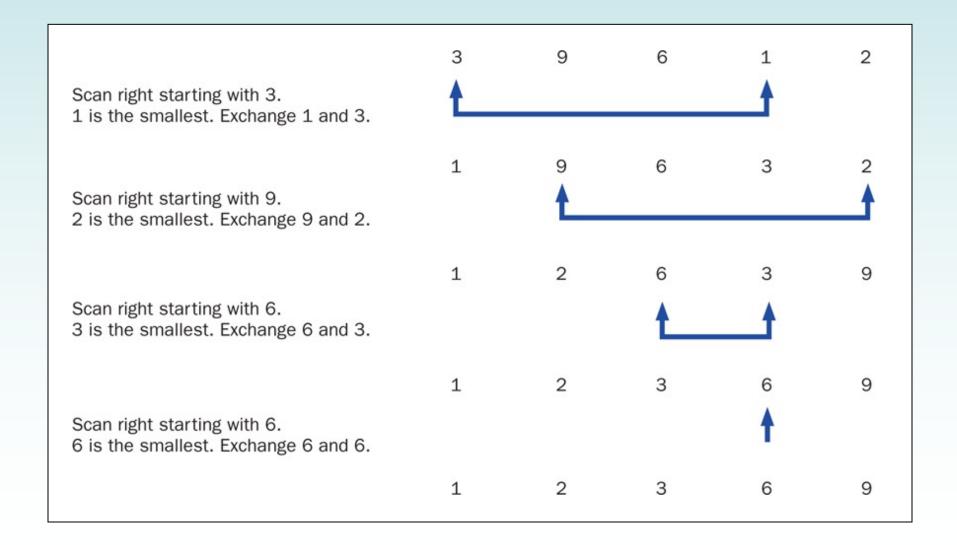
Sorting

- Sorting is the process of arranging a list of items in a particular order
- The sorting process is based on specific criteria:
 - sort test scores in ascending numeric order
 - sort a list of people alphabetically by last name
- There are many algorithms, which vary in efficiency, for sorting a list of items
- We will examine two specific algorithms:
 - Selection Sort
 - Insertion Sort

Selection Sort

- The strategy of Selection Sort:
 - select a value and put it in its final place in the list
 - repeat for all other values
- In more detail:
 - find the smallest value in the list
 - switch it with the value in the first position
 - find the next smallest value in the list
 - switch it with the value in the second position
 - repeat until all values are in their proper places

Selection Sort



Swapping

- The processing of the selection sort algorithm includes the swapping of two values
- Swapping requires three assignment statements and a temporary storage location
- To swap the values of first and second:

```
temp = first;
first = second;
second = temp;
```

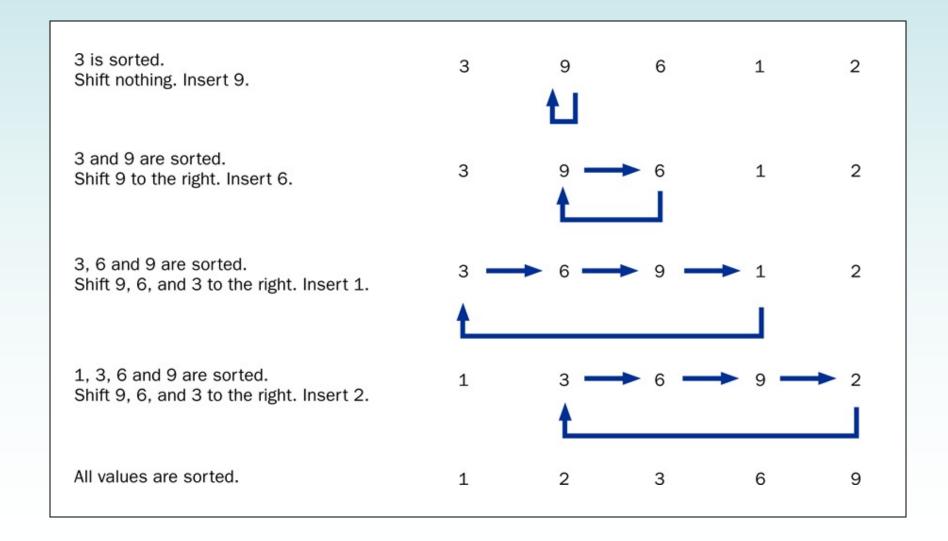
Selection Sort

- Let's look at an example that sorts an array of Contact objects
- The selectionSort method is a static method in the Sorting class
- See PhoneList.java
- See Sorting.java
- See Contact.java

Insertion Sort

- The strategy of Insertion Sort:
 - pick any item and insert it into its proper place in a sorted sublist
 - repeat until all items have been inserted
- In more detail:
 - consider the first item to be a sorted sublist (of one item)
 - insert the second item into the sorted sublist, shifting the first item as needed to make room to insert the new one
 - insert the third item into the sorted sublist (of two items),
 shifting items as necessary
 - repeat until all values are inserted into their proper positions

Insertion Sort



Comparing Sorts

- The Selection and Insertion sort algorithms are similar in efficiency
- They both have outer loops that scan all elements, and inner loops that compare the value of the outer loop with almost all values in the list
- Approximately n² number of comparisons are made to sort a list of size n
- We therefore say that these sorts are of *order* n^2
- Other sorts are more efficient: order n log₂ n

O(N), $O(N^2)$, etc.

- What does order N² mean?
 - often abbreviate this as O(N²)
- Suppose the processing time is $4N^2 N + 5$
 - where N is the size of the problem
- If we look how this time grows with large N, the N² is the largest part (the part with the largest exponent)
 - terms with smaller exponents are not significant
- We ignore the constant multiplier in front of the N² and say the time is O(N²)
 - we are looking for how fast the time grows

Selection Sort Performance

- To sort N elements takes N-1 comparisons the first time through the array
 - then N-2 comparisons the second time
 - N-3 comparisons the third time through
 - **–** ...
 - 1 comparison the last time through
- Total is $1 + 2 + 3 + ... + (N-1) = N^2/2 N/2$
- We ignore the ½ multiplier and call this an O(N²) algorithm
- Time is proportional to N²

Growth Rates

- Compare these
- Sorting can be Nlog₂(N) or N²
- Searches can be N or log₂(N)
- Note difference
- Note: log₂ is the number of bits in a quantity and need not be an integer

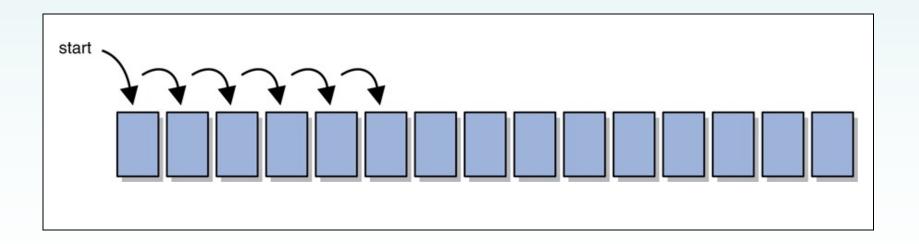
N	$log_2(N)$	Nlog ₂ (N)	N ²
2	1	2	4
4	2	8	16
8	3	24	64
16	4	64	256
32	5	160	1024
64	6	384	4096
128	7	896	16384
256	8	2064	65536
500	8.966	4482.9	250000
10 ⁶	19.93	1.993x10 ⁷	1012

Searching

- Searching is the process of finding a target element within a group of items called the search pool
- The target may or may not be in the search pool
- We want to perform the search efficiently, minimizing the number of comparisons
- Let's look at two classic searching approaches: linear search and binary search

Linear Search

- A linear search begins at one end of a list and examines each element in turn
- Eventually, either the item is found or the end of the list is encountered

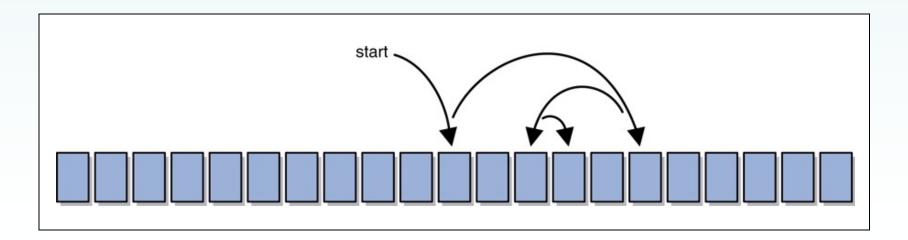


Binary Search

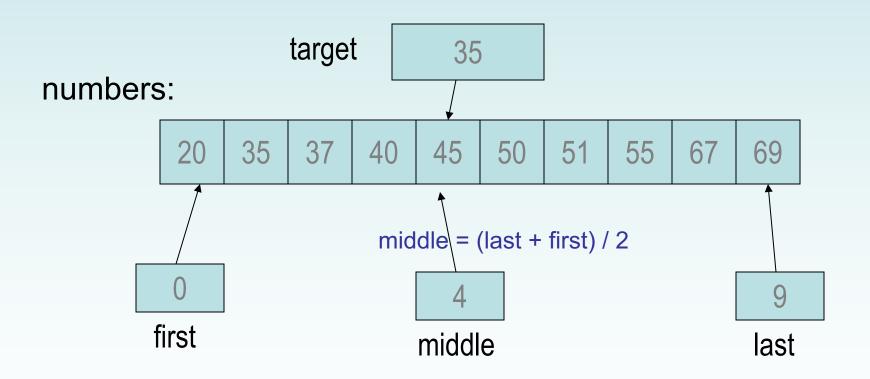
- A binary search assumes the list of items in the search pool is sorted
- It eliminates a large part of the search pool with a single comparison
- A binary search first examines the middle element of the list -- if it matches the target, the search is over
- If it doesn't, only one half of the remaining elements need be searched
- Since they are sorted, the target can only be in one half of the other

Binary Search

- The process continues by comparing the middle element of the remaining viable candidates
- Each comparison eliminates approximately half of the remaining data
- Eventually, the target is found or the data is exhausted, see next slides

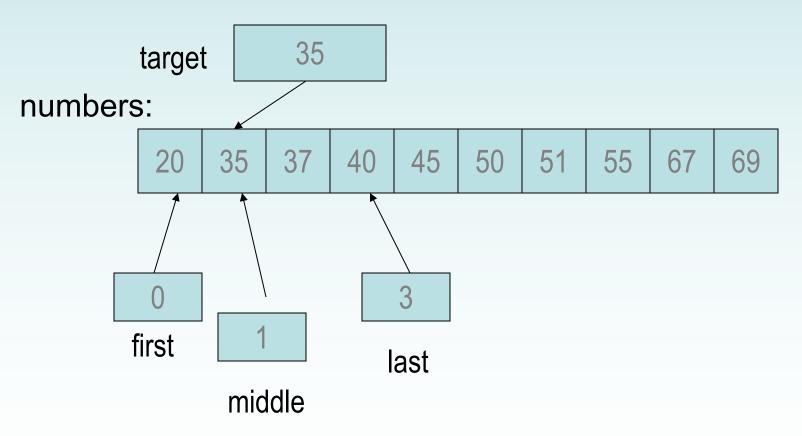


Binary Search, Target Present 1/2



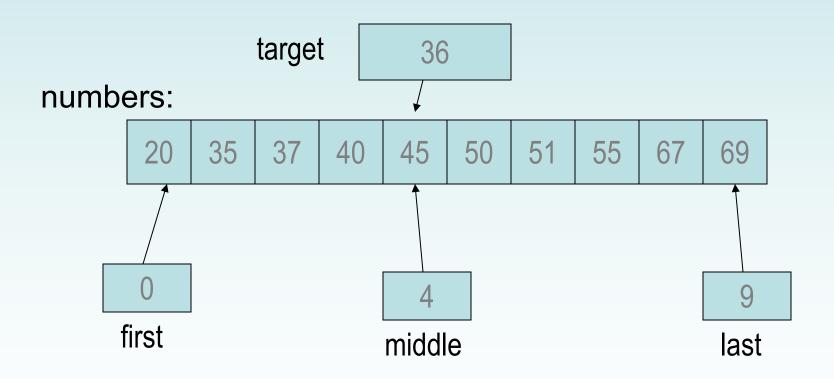
target is less than middle element, numbers[middle], so set last = (4 - 1) = 3 and try again

Binary Search, Target Present 2/2



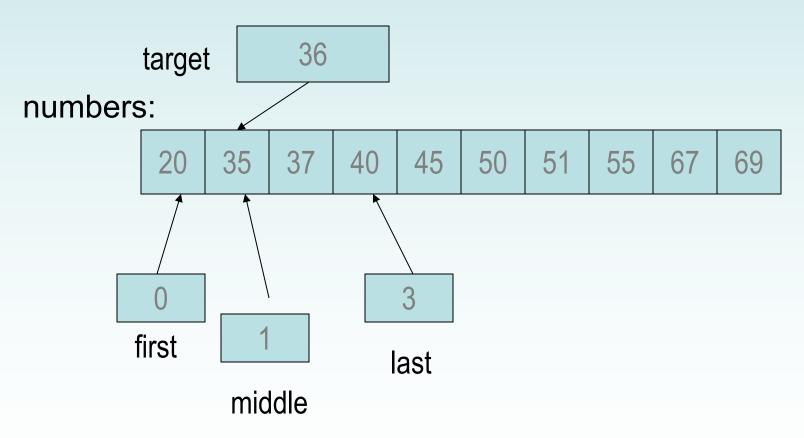
target equals middle element - stop, we have found it

Binary Search, Target Absent, 1/4



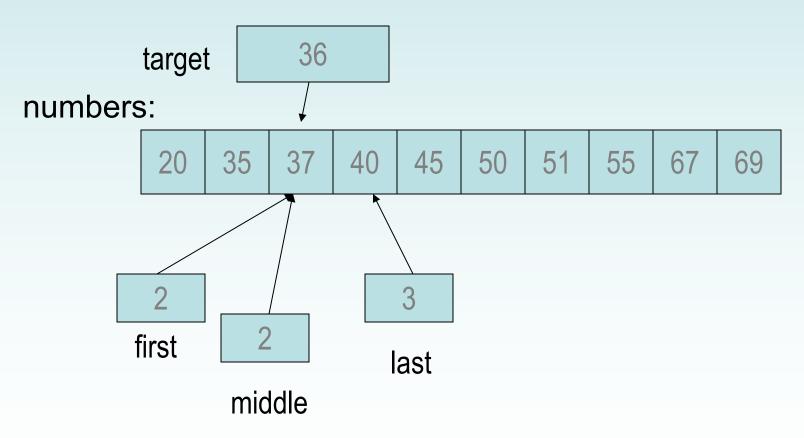
target is less than middle element, numbers[middle], so set last = (4 - 1) = 3 and try again

Binary Search, Target Absent, 2/4



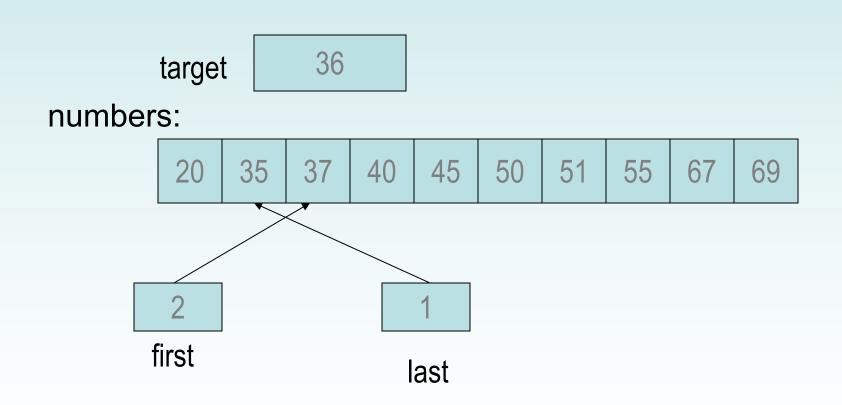
target larger than middle element, so set first = 1 + 1 = 2 and try again

Binary Search, Target Absent, 3/4



target less than middle element, so set last = 2 - 1 = 1 and try again

Binary Search, Target Absent, 4/4



first > last so we know target is not in the array

Searching Example

- The search methods are implemented as static methods in the Searching class
- See PhoneList2.java
- See Searching.java

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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

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- Let's look at an example that uses an array of Color objects
- When the mouse button is clicked, a colored dot is displayed
- A double-click clears the window
- See Dots.java

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- A choice box lets the user select one of several options from a drop down menu
- The JukeBox example allows the user to select a song from a choice box
- Play and Stop buttons control the song playback
- See JukeBox.java

Summary

- Chapter 8 has focused on:
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 - bounds checking and capacity
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 - variable length parameter lists
 - multidimensional arrays
 - sorting and searching
 - polygons and polylines
 - choice boxes