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Arrays and Strings in Java – Part 1

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Strings

- A *string* is a sequence of characters.
- Java provides two classes to support strings:
 - String class the instances of String class are constants,
 i.e., the content of a String object cannot be changed after its creation.
 - StringBuffer class the instances of StringBuffer class are mutable, i.e., the content of a StringBuffer object can be changed after its creation.
- The String class has some unique privileges not shared by ordinary classes.
 - A string can be created using string literals.
 - Operator + can be applicable to strings.
- The characters in a string are indexed by 0 to n-1, where n is the length of the string.



String Class

- Creation of a String object.
 String s = new String("abc");
 String s = "abc";
- Add operator:
 String s1 = "abc";
 String s2 = "de";
 String s3 = s1 + s2; //s3 = "abcde"
- The String class has a lot of methods. These methods are useful to manipulate strings.

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length and charAt methods

int length() - this instance method returns the
 length of the string.
 String s="abc";

s.length() → returns 3

s.charAt(5); \rightarrow error

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indexOf method

```
int indexOf(char c)
```

```
int indexOf(char c, int index)
```

Returns the index of the first occurrence of the character c in the current object starting at position index (default 0). Returns -1 if there is no such occurrence. [overloaded method]

```
String s="ababc";
s.indexOf(`b');//returns 1
s.indexOf(`b',2); //returns 3
s.indexOf(`d',2); //returns -1
```

indexOf method (cont.)

- int indexOf(String s2)
- int indexOf(String s2, int index)

Returns the index of the first occurrence of the substring s2 in the current object, beginning at position index (default 0). Returns -1 if there is no such occurrence.



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substring method

String substring(int startindex)
String substring(int startindex, int lastindex)

Returns the substring of the current object starting from startindex and ending with lastindex-1 (or the last index of the string if lastindex is not given). [overloaded method]

```
String s="abcdef";
s.substring(1); //returns "bcdef"
s.substring(3); //returns "def"
s.substring(1,4);//returns "bcd"
s.substring(3,5);//returns "de"
```

equals and equalsIgnoreCase

boolean equals(String s2)

boolean equalsIgnoreCase(String s2)

Returns true if the current object is equal to s2; otherwise false.

The method equalsIgnorecase disregards the case of the characters.

```
String s="abc";
s.equals("abc") //returns true
s.equals("abcd") //returns false
s.equals("aBc") //returns false
s.equalsIgnoreCase("aBc")//returns true
```

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StringBuffer Class

• StringBuffer constructors:

```
StringBuffer()
```

```
StringBuffer(int size)
```

Returns an instance of the StringBuffer class that is empty but has an initial capacity of size characters (default 16 characters).

```
StringBuffer(String arg)
```

Creates an instance of the StringBuffer class from the string arg.

• length and charAt methods are also defined for StringBuffer class.

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append and insert methods

StringBuffer append(String s)

Returns the current object with the String parameter s appended to the end.

StringBuffer insert(int index, char c)

StringBuffer insert(int index, String s)

Inserts the character c (or String s) into the current StringBuffer object at index index. The characters (after index) are shifted to right.

```
sb = new StringBuffer("abcd");
sb.insert(0,"AB") //returns sb as "ABabcd"
sb.insert(1,"CD") //returns sb as "ACDBabcd"
sb.insert(8,"EFG")//returns sb as "ACDBabcdEFG"
sb.append("HI") //returns sb as "ACDBabcdEFGHI"
```

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Reading strings using BufferedReader

• Recall from our earlier look at using BufferedReader that we need to first declare a BufferedReader object that was directed to read from the input stream attached to the standard input device. Once this is done, reading strings from the keyboard is straightforward.

BufferedReader stdin = new BufferedReader(
 new InputStreamReader(System.in));

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BufferedReader Example

```
//Developer: Mark Llewellyn Date: June 2007
import java.io.*;
public class readName {
  public static void main(String[] args){
     BufferedReader stdin = new BufferedReader(new
      InputStreamReader(System.in));
    System.out.println("Enter your first name: ");
    String firstName = stdin.readLine();
    System.out.println("Enter your last name: ");
    String lastName = stdin.readLine();
    System.out.println("Your name is " + firstName + " "
      + lastName + ".");
```

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Wordlength Example

```
//Developer: Mark Llewellyn Date: June 2007
import java.io.*;
```

```
public class Wordlength {
   public static void main(String[] args) throws IOException {
    BufferedReader stdin = new BufferedReader(
        new InputStreamReader(System.in));
   //read the word from the user
   System.out.println("Enter a word: ");
   String word = stdin.readLine();
   //determine the length of the word
```

int wordLength = word.length();

```
//output results
System.out.println("Word " + word + " has a length of "
          + wordLength + " characters.");
```

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Palindrome Example

```
//Developer: Mark Llewellyn
                             Date: June 2007
//Checks words to see if they are palindromes
import java.io.*;
public class Palindrome {
 static boolean isPalindrome(String s) {
    int i = 0;
    int j = s.length() - 1;
    boolean flag = true;
    while ((i < j) \&\& flag)
       if (s.charAt(i) != s.charAt(j))
          flag = false;
       else {i++; j--; }
    return flaq;
```

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Palindrome Example (cont.)

```
public static void main(String args[]) throws
  IOException {
    String s;
    BufferedReader stdin =
       new BufferedReader (new InputStreamReader
   (System.in));
    System.out.print("A String > ");
    System.out.flush();
    s = stdin.readLine();
    if (isPalindrome(s))
       System.out.println(s + " is a palindrome");
    else
       System.out.println(s + " is not a palindrome");
```

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```
Decimal to Binary -- Example
//Developer: Mark Llewellyn Date: June 2007
//Converts a decimal number to its binary equivalent
import java.io.*;
public class DecToBinary {
  static StringBuffer toBinary(int decVal) {
    StringBuffer sb = new StringBuffer("");
    if (decVal == 0)
       sb.insert(0,"0"); //note insert position
    else
      while (decVal != 0) {
          if (decVal \approx 2 = 0)
             sb.insert(0,"0"); //note insert position
          else
             sb.insert(0,"1"); //note insert position
          decVal = decVal / 2;
    return sb;
```

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Decimal to Binary – Example (cont.)

```
public static void main(String args[]) throws IOException {
    int num;
    BufferedReader stdin =
       new BufferedReader (new InputStreamReader(System.in));
    System.out.print("An integer > ");
    System.out.flush();
    num = Integer.parseInt(stdin.readLine().trim());
    System.out.println("Decimal Number: " + num +
           Corresponding Binary Number: " + toBinary(num));
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```

Arrays in Java

• An *array* is an ordered list of values, each of the same type.

The entire array as a single name			Each value has a numeric index								
		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
scores		9	92	79	88	69	73	95	78	84	88

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

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

An array type variable holds a reference to an object.

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Accessing Elements in Arrays

- The act referring to an individual array element is called *subscripting* or *indexing*.
 - general form: arrayname[index]

where index is an integer expression.



Explicit Initialization of Arrays

- Java provides a declaration form to explicitly specify the initial values of the elements of an array.
- Assuming an n element array, the general form is:

ElementType[] id = { $expr_0$, $expr_1$, ..., $expr_{n-1}$ };

where each $expr_i$ is an expression that evaluates to type ElementType.

Examples:

int[] fibonacci = {1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, 34}; String[] cats = {"bug", "squeaky", "paris", "kitty kat"}; int[] unit = {1};

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Constant Arrays

• As in other declarations, the modifier final can be applied in an array declaration. The modifier has the usual effect – after its initialization, the array variable is treated as a constant. In this case, the array variable cannot change which array it references, however, the values in the array can be changed!

```
final int[] B = {10, 20};
```

• Graphically this would look like the following:



where **b** indicates that the value of the reference cannot be changed.

B[1] = 30; //legal: B[1] is not final

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Arrays of Objects

• If the element type of an array is an object type, then the elements hold either the value null or references to element type values rather than holding element type values themselves. This is illustrated graphically below:



Arrays of Objects (cont.)

• This example uses the awt class Point.



Arrays of Objects (cont.)

• Because p[0], p[1], and p[2] are Point reference variables, they have access to Point member methods. For example the code segment below:

```
p[0].setX(1);
p[1].setY(p[2].getY());
Causes the following update of array p.
```



Arrays of Objects (cont.)

• The elements of p hold references. Therefore, an assignment of one of its elements modifies what that element references rather than modifying the object that had been referenced. Consider the following code segment that further updates array p.



Array Bounds in Java

- Unlike many programming languages, Java automatically checks that proper array subscripts are used. If a subscript is determined to be invalid, an exception of type IndexOutOfBoundsException is generated. (Unless the program provides exception handling code, this exception causes the program to terminate.)
- The following code segment contains two misuses of array sample.

int[] sample = new int[40]; sample[-1] = 0; //subscript too small sample[40] = 10; //subscript too large



Arrays in Java (cont.)

• Arrays can be defined with or without initialization. If there is no initialization, then the definition has the form:

ElementType[] id;

where ElementType is the type of the individual elements in the array and id is an identifier naming the array. The value of any location (index) in this array is currently undefined.

• An array variable definition can specify the array to which the variable is to reference. The most common form is:

ElementType[] id = new ElementType[n];

where n is a nonnegative integer expression specifying the number of elements in the array.



Array Definition - Example

```
BufferedReader stdin = new BufferedReader(
    new InputStreamReader(System.in));
int[] number = new int[3];
n = Integer.parseInt(stdin.readLine()); //assume n = 5
double[] value = new double[n];
String[] s = new String[n];
```



Array Definition - Example

• Since no initial values were specified for the elements themselves, the elements in all three arrays are default initialized.

By default:

- numeric arrays are initialized to 0.
- boolean arrays are initialized to false.
- object arrays are initialized to null.



Arrays in Java (cont.)

• Suppose d and e are both int arrays, where d references an array with three elements whose values are initialized to 10, 20, and 30 and e references an array of two elements whose values are initialized to 40 and 50. Also suppose that f is a two-element double array whose elements are initialized to 1.1 and 3.3. This scenario is shown below:



Arrays in Java (cont.)

• Since d and e are both of the same type (int arrays), we can assign one to the other For example, if d = e is executed. Then the new value of d is the value of e; i.e., d and e now reference the same array of elements. Graphically, this will look like the figure below:



Member Methods and Arrays in Java

- Because an array is a Java object, an array as associated with it all of the member methods of an Object (e.g., clone() and equals()). However, the array clone() method is overridden specifically for arrays.
- In addition to member methods, an array also has a **public final** data field length specifying the number of elements in the array. Designers of Java were quite helpful to programmer by including this field as it is a convenience not found in many other programming languages. This allows the programmer to do the following:

```
int fibonacci = {1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 7, 13, 21, 34, 55};
for (int i = 0; i < fibonacci.length; ++i){
    System.out.println("Fibonacci Number " + i +
    " is: ", fibonacci[i]);
}</pre>
```



Cloning an Array in Java

- Array method clone() returns a duplicate of the array. The new array object has the same number of elements as the invoking array. The values of the clone array are duplicates of the invoking array.
- A clone produced in this manner is known as a **shallow copy**. The corresponding elements in the two arrays reference the same objects. The shallowness can be seen by viewing the representation of the array variables u and v defined in the following code segment and shown graphically on the next page.





Cloning an Array in Java (cont.)



Cloning an Array in Java (cont.)

• The shallowness of array cloning is further highlighted by the effect of the following statement on the arrays u and v:



Cloning an Array in Java (cont.)

• Although array v was created to be a clone of array u, there is no requirement that the elements of v reference the same Point object as u.


Distinct Element by Element Cloning

• If a distinct element-by-element clone, say w, of u is needed, it can be created in the following manner.

```
Point[] w = new Point[u.length];
for (int i = 0; i < u.length; ++i) {
    w[i] = u[i].clone();
}</pre>
```

- Array clones created in this fashion are called **deep copies**.
- The result of executing the code shown above is illustrated on the next page.



Distinct Element by Element Cloning



Cloning an Array of a Primitive Type

- Using the method clone() on an array with a primitive element type (not an object type) automatically produces a deep copy.
- The code shown below illustrates this concept.

```
int[] x = {4, 5, 6, 7};
int[] y = x.clone();
```

• These two arrays have the following depiction:



For Statement Review

• The next couple of pages are intended as a review and clarification of the for statement.



For Statement Revisited Example



For Loop Examples

- Note that the loop update is performed only after the body of the loop is executed.
- What do you expect to be printed by the following code segment?

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For Loop Examples (cont.)

WHY?

Because the test expression evaluates to false the very first time since i == 1 and n == 1. Since the loop body is never executed, the loop increment is never executed either and thus, the value of i remains at 1 when the next statement after the loop is executed.

For Loop Examples (cont.)

• Will the two loops below generate the same values of i at the end of their execution? Yes or No?

```
int n = 5;
       int i;
       for (i = 1; i < n; ++i)
           System.out.println("Loop 1 - i is: " + i);
       System.out.println("Final value of i is: " + i);
       for (i = 1; i < n; i++)
           System.out.println("Loop 2 - i is: " + i);
       System.out.println("Final value of i is: " + i);
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```

For Loop Examples (cont.)

```
Answer: Yes!
```

```
Loop 1 - i is: 1
Loop 1 - i is: 2
Loop 1 - i is: 3
Loop 1 - i is: 4
Final value of i is: 5
Loop 2 - i is: 1
Loop 2 - i is: 2
Loop 2 - i is: 3
Loop 2 - i is: 4
Final value of i is: 5
```

WHY?

The final iteration of the loop occurs in both loops when i has a value of 4. Immediately after this, the loop increment is evaluated which sets i = 5. Next the loop expression is evaluated again but this time it is false since i is not less than n (it is in fact equal to n now). The loop terminates in both cases with i equal to 5.



For Loop Increment Step

- Notice in the previous example that it does not matter whether the loop increment variable is updated using the prefix increment operator or the postfix increment operator.
- Since the loop increment occurs only *after* the execution of the loop



Array -- Examples

Reading values of an int array:

```
int[] x = new int[100];
for (i=0; i<x.length; i++)
    System.out.println("Enter an integer: ");
    x[i] = Integer.parseInt(stdin.readLine().trim());
}
```

Shifting values of an int array:



Finding the location of the maximum value in an int array:

```
int loc = 0;
for (i=1; i<x.length; i++)
    if(x[i]>x[loc])
        loc=i;
```

Finding the first location of a given value in an int array:

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Finding summation of the values in an int array:

```
int sum=0;
for (i=0; i<x.length; i++)
    sum=sum+x[i];
```

Reversing the contents of an int array:

```
int temp,i,j;
for (i=0,j=x.length-1; i<j; i++, j--) {
    temp=x[i];
    x[i]=x[j];
    x[j]=temp;
}</pre>
```



Count the number of items in an array which are less than 0.



• A more complete example of reading values into an array. Similar to the example on page 47.

```
final int MAX LIST SIZE = 1000;
int[] buffer = new int[MAX SIZE LIST];
int listSize = 0;
for (int i = 0; i < MAX_LIST_SIZE; ++i) {</pre>
   String input = stdin.readLine();
    if(input != null) {
           int number = Integer.parseInt(input);
           buffer[i] = number;
           ++listSize;
   else {
           break:
int[] date = new int[listSize];
for(i = 0; i < listSize; ++i){</pre>
  data[i] = buffer[i];
```

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 bounds (0 to N-1).
- The Java interpreter will throw an exception 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 only be indexed using the numbers 0 to 99.
- If count has the value 100, then the following reference will cause an ArrayOutOfBoundsException:

```
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>
```

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Copying Arrays

To make a new array that is a copy of **A**, it is necessary to make a new array object and to copy each of the individual items from A into the new array:

```
// Make a new array object, the same size as A.
double[] B = new double[A.length];
for (int i = 0; i < A.length; i++)
    B[i] = A[i]; // Copy each item from A to B</pre>
```

To make a copy of our sample array **A**, it is **not** sufficient to say:

double[] B = A;

It does not create a new array object!

All it does is declare a new array variable **B** and make it refer to the same object to which **A** refers.



Copying Arrays (cont.)

- Java has a predefined subroutine to copy values from one array to another . It is static member of the standard System class.
 - System.arraycopy()
- Its declaration has the form:



Copying Arrays (cont.)

- **sourceArray**, **destArray** can be arrays with any base type.
- **count** tells how many elements to copy.
- Values are taken from **sourceArray** starting at position **sourceStartIndex** and are stored in **destArray** starting at position **destStartIndex**.
- For example, to make a copy of the array **A**:

```
double B = new double[A.length];
System.arraycopy( A, 0, B, 0, A.length );
```



Passing Arrays to Methods

• The syntax for expressing an array parameter definition is no different from that of a normal variable definition. An array parameter has the form:

```
ElementType[] ParameterName
A formal array parameter must include its name as part of its declaration
A formal array parameter must include its array type as part of its declaration.
```

• As required by Java, the main method of a console application program has a single array parameter with an element type of String. These are used for command line arguments and we'll look at this more closely later.



Passing Arrays to Methods

- Since arrays are also objects, they are passed into method by call-by-reference.
- A pointer to the array is passed into the method.
- The contents of the array pointed to by an actual parameter can be changed by the method.

```
static void m(int[] x) {
    int i, temp;
    temp=x[0];
    for (i=0; i<(x.length-1); i++)
        x[i]=x[i+1];
        x[x.length-1]=temp;
    }
    // in main
    int[] a = {3,5,7,8};
    m(a); // the content of a will be changed by m</pre>
```

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Array Copy - Example

A method that makes a copy of an array of doubles:

return type

formal parameter type

```
double[] copy( double[] source ) {
// Create and return a copy of the array, source.
// If source is null, return null.
    if ( source == null )
        return null;
    double[] cpy; // A copy of the source array.
    cpy = new double[source.length];
    System.arraycopy( source, 0, cpy, 0, source.length );
    return cpy;
}
```

Passing Arrays into Methods -- Example

```
static void findprimes(int[] p, int n) {
  int i, val;
  p[0]=2; val=3; i=1;
 while (i<n) {</pre>
    if (isprime(val,p,i)) { p[i]=val; i++; }
    val=val+1;
}
static boolean isprime(int v, int[] p, int lastprimeloc) {
  boolean primeflag=true;
  int i=0;
  while (primeflag && (i<lastprimeloc))</pre>
    if (v%p[i] == 0) {primeflag=false;}
    {else i++;}
  return primeflag;
}
```

Passing Arrays into Methods – Example (cont.)

```
// in main
int i;
int[] primes = new int[100];
findprimes(primes,10);
System.out.println("First 10 Primes:");
for (i=0; i<10; i++)
   System.out.println(primes[i]);
```



Sequential Searching in an Array

• Method sequentialSearch() is similar to the code on page 48. However, this time we are developing a complete method which we will be able to put into a package of array handling methods called **ArrayTools**. Notice that this method is a class (i.e. static) method.

```
// sequentialSearch(): searches unsorted list for a key
public static int sequentialSearch(int[] data, int key){
   for(int i = 0; i < data.length; i++) {
      if (data[i] == key){
        return(i); //return position of key value
      }
   }
   return -1;
}</pre>
```

Sequential Searching in an Array (cont.)

int[] A = {6, 9, 82, 69, 16, 54,90, 44, 2, 87, 74}; int i1 = ArrayTools.sequentialSearch(A,16); //4 int i2 = ArrayTools.sequentialSearch(A,45); //-1 System.out.println(Math.max(A[0], A[8]); //6



Searching an Ordered Array

- When the values of an array are in sorted order, there are more efficient searches than sequential searching for finding a particular key value. Method binarySearch() conducts a series of tests using a divide and conquer strategy to continually reduce the "size" of the array being searched until the position in which the element must be located is found.
- We will include this method in our package **ArrayTools**. Notice that this method is also a class method.
- NOTE: The standard Java class Collections method binarySearch() behaves somewhat differently than the method on the next page if the key value is not in the list the built-in method returns the index where the key value should be located.

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Searching an Ordered Array (cont.)

```
// binarySearch(): searches a sorted list for a key
public static int binarySearch(char[] data, char key){
   int left = 0;
   int right = data.length-1;
  while (left <= right) {</pre>
        int mid = (left + right)/2;
       if (data[mid] == key) {
               return mid;
       else if (data[mid] < key) {</pre>
               left = mid + 1;
        }
       else {
               right = mid -1;
  return -1; //not found
```





More on Passing Arrays as Parameters

```
// demonstrates array parameter nuances
public class ArrayDemo{
  public static void main(String[] args {
       int i = 1;
       int[] x = \{1, 2, 3\};
      System.out.println("int i: " + i);
      System.out.println("array z: " + z[0] + " " + z[1]
             + " " + z[2]);
      zeroInt(i);
      zeroArray(z);
      System.out.println("int i: " + i);
      System.out.println("array z: " + z[0] + " " + z[1]
             + " " + z[2]);
```

```
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  (CONt.)
public static void zeroInt(int val) {
       val = 0;
   }
  public static void zeroArray(int[] list) {
       for (int j = 0; j < list.length; ++j){</pre>
               list[j] = 0;
}//end class ArrayDemo
Output: int i: 1
       array z: 1 2 3
       int i: 1
       array z: 0 0 0
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```

More on Passing Arrays as Parameters (cont.)



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