

## CIS 110: Introduction to Computer Programming

### Lecture 17

All hail the mighty array  
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## Outline

- Catch-up from last week: file output
- Introduction to Arrays

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## About me



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## Now to midterm #2



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## File output

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## The PrintStream class

- PrintStreams allow us to write to files!

```
public static void main(String[] args)
    throws FileNotFoundException {
    PrintStream out = new PrintStream(new File("helloworld.txt"));
    out.println("Hello World!");
}
```

- PrintStreams have:
  - print
  - println
  - printf
- Sound familiar?

helloworld.txt  
Hello World!

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## System.out is a PrintStream!

```
public class System {
    public static PrintStream out = /* ... */;
```

- System.out is a PrintStream that outputs to the console.
- PrintStreams that we make function identically but output goes to a File instead!

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## Example: AllCapsWriter

```
public class AllCapsWriter {
    public static void main(String[] args)
        throws FileNotFoundException {
        Scanner in = new Scanner(
            new File("in.txt"));
        PrintStream out = new PrintStream(
            new File("out.txt"));
        while (in.hasNextLine()) {
            out.println(in.nextLine().toUpperCase());
        }
    }
}
```

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## Arrays

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## Remembering lots of stuff

- We can't store arbitrary amounts of data!

```
Scanner in = new Scanner(System.in);
System.out.println("Enter 10 numbers: ");
double current = 0;
for (int i = 0; i < 10; i++) {
    System.out.print("Enter a double: ");
    current = in.nextDouble();
    // ...
}
```

- We necessarily "forget" each double the user enters after each iteration of the loop.

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## Introducing the array

- Arrays allow us to store lots of data at once!

```
Scanner in = new Scanner(System.in);
System.out.println("Enter 10 numbers: ");
double[] values = new double[10];
for (int i = 0; i < 10; i++) {
    System.out.print("Enter a double: ");
    values[i] = in.nextDouble();
}
```

- The values array contains all 10 doubles entered by the user!

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## Declaring arrays

- An array is an *object* that contains multiple values.

A variable *values* that holds an array of doubles.

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

An array type. "An array of doubles"

Array creation. Instantiates a new array containing 10 doubles.

- Arrays are *homogenous*: all elements have the same type.

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## Accessing Arrays

- We *index* into arrays to access individual elements.

```
values[i] = in.nextDouble();
```

Index into the *i*th position of the array and store the next double from the user there.

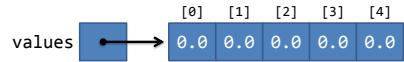
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## Array operation examples: initialization

```
double[] values = new double[5];
```



- Array variables containing *references* to arrays.
- Array elements are *auto-initialized* to "zero values".

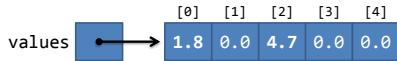
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## Array operation examples: assignment

```
values[2] = 4.7;
values[0] = 1.8;
```



- Arrays have zero-based indices.
- An *indexed array* is just a storage location we can assign into and access like a variable.

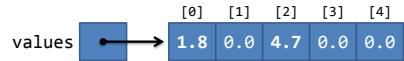
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## Array operation examples: usage

```
System.out.println(values[0] + values[2]);
> 6.5
```



- To use an element of the array, we simply index into the array at the desired position.

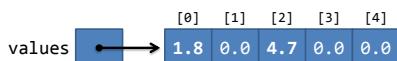
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## Array operation examples: length

```
System.out.println("Length = " + values.length);
> 5
```



- The *length* field of the array object contains that arrays length.
- Note: no parenthesis after length unlike Strings!
  - It really is a *variable* rather than a *method*.

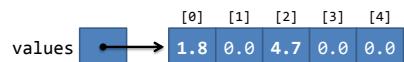
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## IndexOutOfBoundsExceptions

```
values[10] = 4.1;
> Exception in thread "main"
java.lang.ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsException: 10
```



- We get *IndexOutOfBoundsException* exceptions if we try to access an index that doesn't exist.
- We can't change the size of an array once it is made!

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## For-loop traversal template

- We can put this all together to write a useful traversal pattern:

```
for (int i = 0; i < arr.length; i++) {
    /** ...arr[i]... */
}
```

- For each element of arr, do something to it.*

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## Enhanced for-loop

- "Doing something" to each element is so common there's special syntax to do this:

```
int arr[] = new int[10];
for (int i : arr) {
    /** ...i... */
}
```

- Upside: succinct captures *for each element...*
- Downside: don't have access to *current index*.

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## Random access

- With Scanners, we process data *sequentially*.
- Arrays allow us to have *random access* to data.

```
Scanner in = new Scanner(System.in);
System.out.println("Enter 10 Lines: ");
String[] lines = new String[10];
for (int i = 0; i < 10; i++) {
    System.out.print("Enter a line: ");
    lines[i] = in.nextLine();
}
System.out.print("Which line do you want? ");
int index = in.nextInt();
System.out.println("Index " + index + " = " + lines[index]);
```

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## Alternative array initialization

- There's special syntax for initializing an array with non-default values.

```
int[] values = { 4, 3, 2, 1, 0 };
```



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## References, arrays, and methods

- Methods can change the value of arrays unlike with variables!
  - Due to *reference semantics* that we'll talk about next time.

```
public static void initialize(int[] values) {
    for (int i = 0; i < values.length; i++) {
        values[i] = values.length - i - 1;
    }
}

public static void main(String[] args) {
    int[] values = new int[3];
    // Before: values = { 0, 0, 0 }
    initialize(values);
    // After: values = { 2, 1, 0 }
}
```

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