



ARRAY BASICS

Ch7.1

Array Basics: Outline

- Creating and Accessing Arrays
- Array Details
- The Instance Variable length
- More About Array Indices
- Initializing Arrays

Creating and Accessing Arrays

- An array is a special kind of object
- Think of as collection of variables of **same type** that are stored in **adjacent memory locations**.
- Creating an array with 7 variables of type double

```
double[] temperature = new double[7];
```

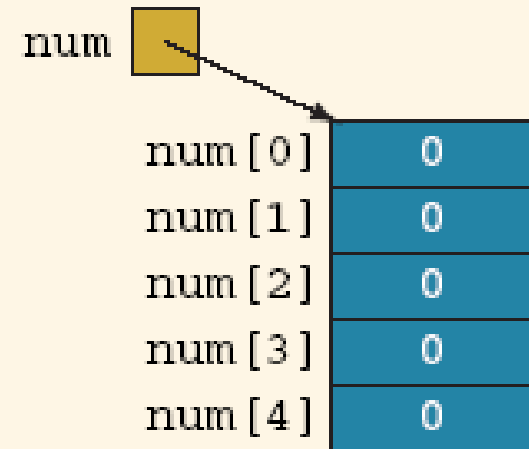
- To access an element use
 - The name of the array
 - An index number enclosed in square brackets
- Array indices begin at zero

Array declaration - example

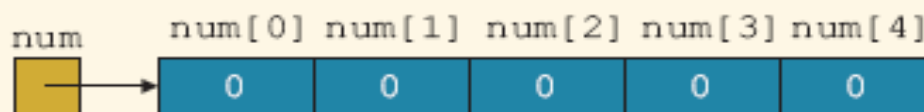
➤ Declaring the array `num` :
`int[] num = new int[5];`

When an array is instantiated, Java **automatically** initializes its elements to their default values.

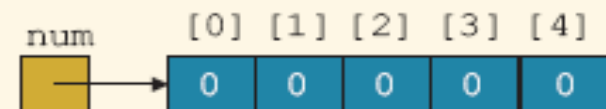
numeric arrays are initialized to **0**,
char arrays are initialized to the **null character**,
which is `'\u0000'`,
boolean arrays are initialized to **false**.



To save space, we also draw an array, as shown in Figures (a) and b).



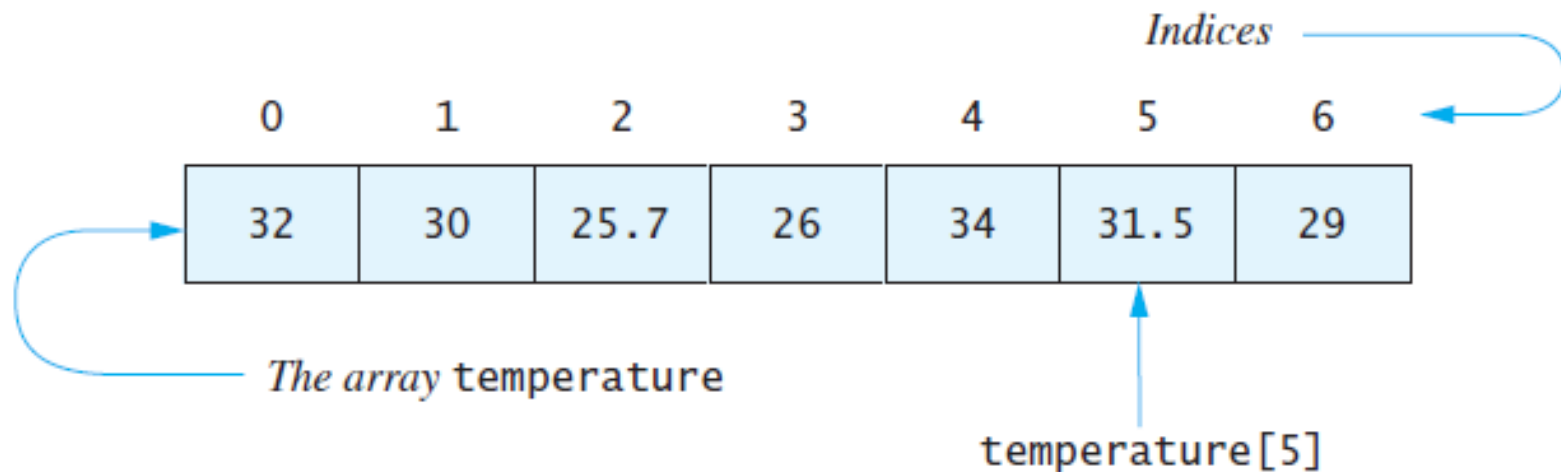
(a)



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Creating and Accessing Arrays

FIGURE 7.1 A Common Way to Visualize an Array



- Note [sample program](#), listing 7.1
class ArrayOfTemperatures

LISTING 7.1 An Array of Temperatures (part 1 of 2)

```
/**
Reads 7 temperatures from the user and shows which are above
and which are below the average of the 7 temperatures.
*/
import java.util.Scanner;

public class ArrayOfTemperatures
{
    public static void main()
    {
        double[] temperature = new double[7];
        // Read temperatures from the user
        Scanner keyboard = new Scanner(System.in);
        System.out.println("Enter 7 temperatures:");
        double sum = 0;
        for (int index = 0; index < 7; index++)
        {
            temperature[index] = keyboard.nextDouble();
            sum = sum + temperature[index];
        }

        double average = sum / 7;
        System.out.println("The average temperature is " +
                           average);

        // Display each temperature and its relation to the average:
        System.out.println("The temperatures are");
        for (int index = 0; index < 7; index++)
        {
            if (temperature[index] < average)
                System.out.println(temperature[index] +
                                    " below average");
            else if (temperature[index] > average)
                System.out.println(temperature[index] +
                                    " above average");
            else //temperature[index] == average
                System.out.println(temperature[index] +
                                    " the average");
        }

        System.out.println("Have a nice week.");
    }
}
```

Creating and Accessing Arrays

```
Enter 7 temperatures:
```

```
32
```

```
30
```

```
25.7
```

```
26
```

```
34
```

```
31.5
```

```
29
```

```
The average temperature is 29.7428
```

```
The temperatures are
```

```
32.0 above average
```

```
30.0 above average
```

```
25.7 below average
```

```
26.0 below average
```

```
34.0 above average
```

```
31.5 above average
```

```
29.0 below average
```

```
Have a nice week.
```

Sample
screen
output

Array Details

- Syntax for declaring an array with **new**

```
Base_Type[] Array_Name = new Base_Type[Length];
```

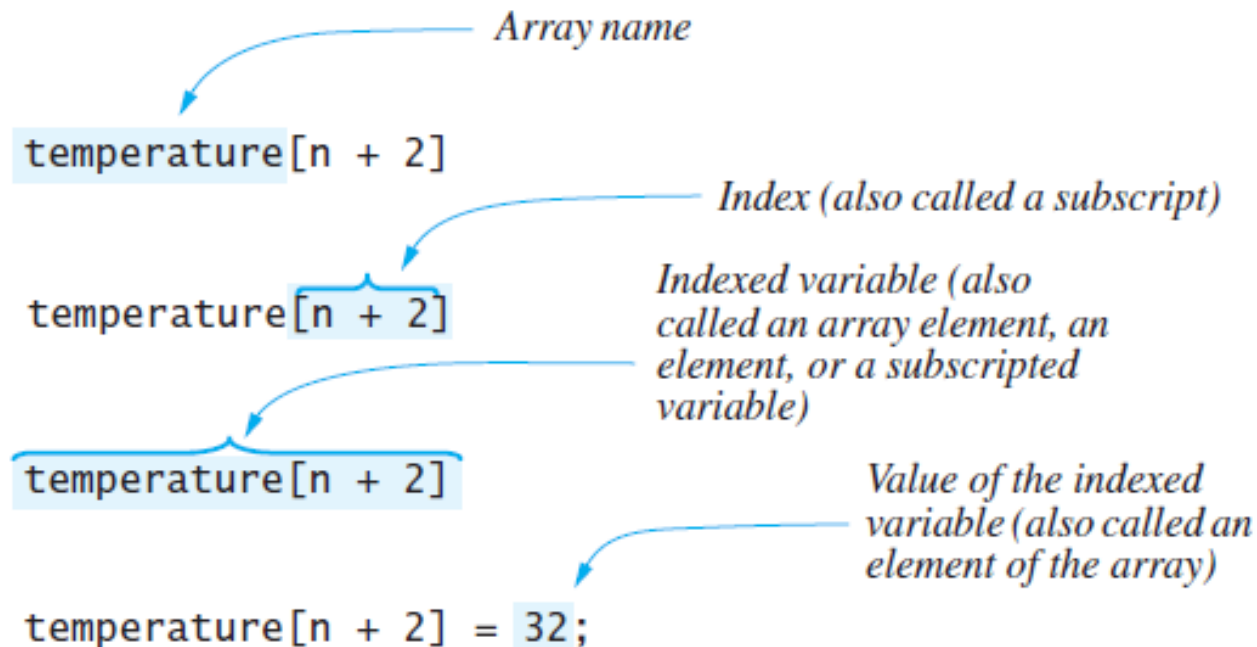
- The number of elements in an array is its **length**
- The type of the array elements is the array's **base type**

Square Brackets [] with Arrays

- They are used as follows:
 - With a data type when declaring an array
`int [] pressure;`
 - To enclose an integer expression to declare the length of the array
`pressure = new int [100];`
 - To name an indexed value of the array
`pressure[3] = keyboard.nextInt();`

Array Details

FIGURE 7.2 Array Terminology



ACCESSING ARRAY ELEMENTS

```
int[] list = new int[10];  
list[5] = 34;
```



```
list[3] = 10;  
list[6] = 35;  
list[5] = list[3] + list[6];
```



ACCESSING ARRAY ELEMENTS - Example

- Consider the following declarations and their reflection in the memory:

1 `double[] list = new double[10];`

	list[0]	list[1]	list[2]	list[3]	list[4]	list[5]	list[6]	list[7]	list[8]	list[9]
list→	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

2 `int i = 2;`

3 `list[2*i-1] = 46.0;` `// list[??] = 46.0`

	list[0]	list[1]	list[2]	list[3]	list[4]	list[5]	list[6]	list[7]	list[8]	list[9]
list→	0.0	0.0	0.0	46.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

4 `list[2*i+1] = 20.0;` `// list[??] = 20.0`

	list[0]	list[1]	list[2]	list[3]	list[4]	list[5]	list[6]	list[7]	list[8]	list[9]
list→	0.0	0.0	0.0	46.0	0.0	20.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

5 `list[7] = list[3] + list[5];` `// list[7] = 46.0 + 20.0 = 66.0`

	list[0]	list[1]	list[2]	list[3]	list[4]	list[5]	list[6]	list[7]	list[8]	list[9]
list→	0.0	0.0	0.0	46.0	0.0	20.0	0.0	66.0	0.0	0.0

ACCESSING ARRAY ELEMENTS - Example

5 `list[7] = list[3] + list[5];` `//list[7] = 46.0 + 20.0 = 66.0`

	list[0]	list[1]	list[2]	list[3]	list[4]	list[5]	list[6]	list[7]	list[8]	list[9]
list→	0.0	0.0	0.0	46.0	0.0	20.0	0.0	66.0	0.0	0.0

➤ Note the difference to the following statements:

6 `list[7] = list[3 + 5];` `// list[7] = ??`

	list[0]	list[1]	list[2]	list[3]	list[4]	list[5]	list[6]	list[7]	list[8]	list[9]
list→	0.0	0.0	0.0	46.0	0.0	20.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

7 `list[3+5] = list[3] + list[5];` `// list[??] = ?? + ??`

	list[0]	list[1]	list[2]	list[3]	list[4]	list[5]	list[6]	list[7]	list[8]	list[9]
list→	0.0	0.0	0.0	46.0	0.0	20.0	0.0	0.0	66.0	0.0

Question

consider this array:

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

	list[0]	list[1]	list[2]	list[3]	list[4]	list[5]	list[6]	list[7]	list[8]	list[9]
list→	5	7	3	0	9	10	2	3	6	1

```
list[ list[2] ] = 77;
```

```
list [1] = list[ 7] * list[7];
```

```
list [0] = list[ list[8] -1 ];
```

The Instance Variable **length**

- As an object an array has only one public instance variable
 - Variable **length**
 - Contains the **size** of the array: the max number of elements the array can hold
 - It is final, value cannot be changed
- Note [revised code](#), listing 7.2
class ArrayOfTemperatures2

LISTING 7.2 An Array of Temperatures—Revised (part 1 of 2)

```
/**
Reads temperatures from the user and shows which are above
and which are below the average of all the temperatures.
*/
import java.util.Scanner;

public class ArrayOfTemperatures2
{
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        Scanner keyboard = new Scanner(System.in);
        System.out.println("How many temperatures?");
        int size = keyboard.nextInt();
        double[] temperature = new double[size];

        // Read temperatures and compute the average
        System.out.println("Enter " + size + " temperatures:");
        double sum = 0;
        for (int index = 0; index < temperature.length; index++)
        {
            temperature[index] = keyboard.nextDouble();
            sum = sum + temperature[index];
        }
        double average = sum / temperature.length;
        System.out.println("The average temperature is " + average);

        // Display each temperature and its relation to the average
        System.out.println("The temperatures are");
        for (int index = 0; index < temperature.length; index++)
        {
            if (temperature[index] < average)
                System.out.println(temperature[index] + " below average");
            else if (temperature[index] > average)
                System.out.println(temperature[index] + " above average");
            else // temperature[index] == average
                System.out.println(temperature[index] + " the average");
        }

        System.out.println("Have a nice week.");
    }
}
```


The Instance Variable `length`

```
How many temperatures do you have?
```

```
3
```

```
Enter 3 temperatures:
```

```
32
```

```
26.5
```

```
27
```

```
The average temperature is 28.5
```

```
The temperatures are
```

```
32.0 above average
```

```
26.5 below average
```

```
27.0 below average
```

```
Have a nice week.
```

Sample
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More About Array Indices

- Index of first array element is 0
- Last valid Index is `arrayName.length - 1`
- Array indices must be within bounds to be valid
 - When program tries to access outside bounds, run time error occurs
- OK to "waste" element 0
 - Program easier to manage and understand
 - Yet, get used to using index 0

Initializing Arrays

- Possible to initialize at declaration time

```
double[] reading = {3.3, 15.8, 9.7};
```

- Also may use normal assignment statements
 - One at a time
 - In a loop

```
int[] count = new int[100];  
for (int i = 0; i < 100; i++)  
    count[i] = 0;
```

Initializing Arrays

- It is a common practice for a program to keep track of the number of filled elements in an array
- Simply store it in a variable, say **numOfElements**
- Then **numOfElements** will tell you the actual number of elements in the array.
- For example:

```
int numOfElements = 0;
numList[0] = 5;
numList[1] = 10;
numList[2] = 15;
numList[3] = 20;
numOfElements = 4;
System.out.print(n
```

How about this instead?

```
int numOfElements = 0;
numList[numOfElements++] = 5;
numList[numOfElements++] = 10;
numList[numOfElements++] = 15;
numList[numOfElements++] = 20;
System.out.print(numOfElements);
```

Recap: Specifying array size

- Array size can be specified using a constant

```
final int ARRAY_SIZE = 10;  
int[] list = new int[ARRAY_SIZE];
```

- Array size can be specified during program execution time

```
int arraySize;
```

```
System.out.print("Enter the size of the array: ");  
arraySize = console.nextInt();  
System.out.println();
```

```
int[] list = new int[arraySize];
```

Recap: Specifying array size

- Array size can be specified during array declaration with initialization:

```
double[] sales = {12.25, 32.50, 16.90, 23, 45.68};
```

- The **initializer list** contains values, called **initial values**, that are placed between braces and separated by commas
- The size of the array will be equal to the number of values.
- In this example: **sales.length** will be equal to 5
- **sales** would be initialized as follows:
sales[0]= 12.25, sales[1]= 32.50, sales[2]= 16.90,
sales[3]= 23.00, and sales[4]= 45.68
- **Note:** If an array is declared and initialized simultaneously, we **don't** use the **operator new** to instantiate the array object

Note on Array Declaration

- What is the difference between the following declarations?

```
int      alpha[], beta;
```

```
int[ ]   gamma,  delta;
```

Remember

- The size of the array specified during instantiation cannot be changed.
- Sometimes, the programmer does not know how many elements will be needed.
- Therefore, it is common to specify a large size and use only the elements which were actually filled by the user.
- Assume that `numOfElements` is a variable that represents the number of actually filled elements within the array (`numOfElements` \leq `length`)
- The value of `numOfElements` is used as a `counter`: it is initialized to zero, and then incremented with each new element filled in the array.