

Arrays, Part 1

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Can we solve this problem?

- Consider the following program (input underlined):

How many days' temperatures? 7

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Day 6's high temp: 46

Day 7's high temp: 53

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4 days were above average.

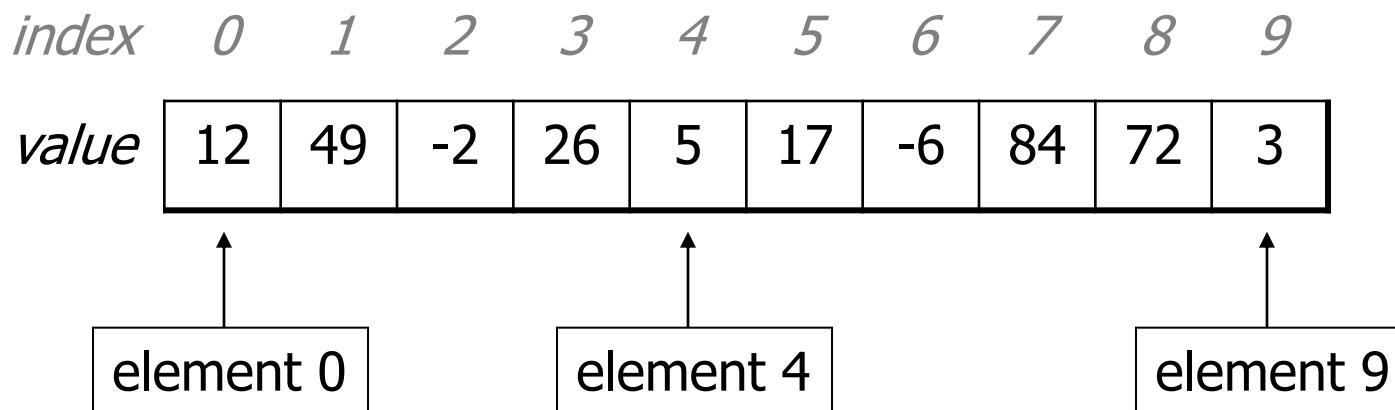


Why the problem is hard

- We need each input value twice:
 - to compute the average (a cumulative sum)
 - to count how many were above average
- We could read each value into a variable... but we:
 - don't know how many days are needed until the program runs
 - don't know how many variables to declare
- We need a way to declare many variables in one step.

Arrays

- **array**: object that stores many values of the same type.
 - **element**: One value in an array.
 - **index**: A 0-based integer to access an element from an array.



Array declaration

```
type [ ] name = new type [length] ;
```

- Example:

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

<i>index</i>	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
<i>value</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Array declaration, cont.

- The length can be any integer expression.

```
int x = 2 * 3 + 1;
```

```
int[] data = new int[x % 5 + 2];
```

- Each element initially gets a "zero-equivalent" value.

Type	Default value
int	0
double	0.0
boolean	false
String or other object	null (means, "no object")

Accessing elements

name [index] // access
name [index] = value; // modify

– Example:

```
numbers[0] = 27;  
numbers[3] = -6;  
  
System.out.println(numbers[0]);  
if (numbers[3] < 0) {  
    System.out.println("Element 3 is negative.");  
}
```

<i>index</i>	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
<i>value</i>	27	0	0	-6	0	0	0	0	0	0

Arrays of other types

```
double[] results = new double[5];  
results[2] = 3.4;  
results[4] = -0.5;
```

<i>index</i>	0	1	2	3	4
<i>value</i>	0.0	0.0	3.4	0.0	-0.5

```
boolean[] tests = new boolean[6];  
tests[3] = true;
```

<i>index</i>	0	1	2	3	4	5
<i>value</i>	false	false	false	true	false	false

Out-of-bounds

- Legal indexes: between **0** and the **array's length - 1**.
 - Reading or writing any index outside this range will throw an `ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsException`.

- Example:

```
int[] data = new int[10];  
System.out.println(data[0]);           // okay  
System.out.println(data[9]);          // okay  
System.out.println(data[-1]);        // exception  
System.out.println(data[10]);         // exception
```

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<i>value</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Accessing array elements

```
int[] numbers = new int[8];  
numbers[1] = 3;  
numbers[4] = 99;  
numbers[6] = 2;  
  
int x = numbers[1];  
numbers[x] = 42;  
numbers[numbers[6]] = 11; // use numbers[6] as index
```

x 3

	<i>index</i>	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
<i>numbers</i>	<i>value</i>	0	4	11	42	99	0	2	0

Arrays and for loops

- It is common to use for loops to access array elements.

```
for (int i = 0; i < 8; i++) {  
    System.out.print(numbers[i] + " ");  
}  
System.out.println(); // output: 0 4 11 0 44 0 0 2
```

- Sometimes we assign each element a value in a loop.

```
for (int i = 0; i < 8; i++) {  
    numbers[i] = 2 * i;  
}
```

<i>index</i>	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
<i>value</i>	0	2	4	6	8	10	12	14

The length field

- An array's `length` field stores its number of elements.

`name.length`

```
for (int i = 0; i < numbers.length; i++) {  
    System.out.print(numbers[i] + " ");  
}  
// output: 0 2 4 6 8 10 12 14
```

- It does not use parentheses like a String's `.length()`.
- What expressions refer to:
 - The last element of any array?
 - The middle element?

Weather question

- Use an array to solve the weather problem:

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Weather answer

```
// Reads temperatures from the user, computes average and # days above average.
import java.util.*;
public class Weather {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Scanner console = new Scanner(System.in);
        System.out.print("How many days' temperatures? ");
        int days = console.nextInt();

        int[] temps = new int[days];           // array to store days' temperatures
        int sum = 0;

        for (int i = 0; i < days; i++) {      // read/store each day's temperature
            System.out.print("Day " + (i + 1) + "'s high temp: ");
            temps[i] = console.nextInt();
            sum += temps[i];
        }
        double average = (double) sum / days;

        int count = 0;                      // see if each day is above average
        for (int i = 0; i < days; i++) {
            if (temps[i] > average) {
                count++;
            }
        }

        // report results
        System.out.printf("Average temp = %.1f\n", average);
        System.out.println(count + " days above average");
    }
}
```

Quick array initialization

```
type [ ] name = {value, value, ... value} ;
```

– Example:

```
int [ ] numbers = {12, 49, -2, 26, 5, 17, -6} ;
```

<i>index</i>	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
<i>value</i>	12	49	-2	26	5	17	-6

- Useful when you know what the array's elements will be
- The compiler figures out the size by counting the values

"Array mystery" problem

- **traversal:** An examination of each element of an array.
- What element values are stored in the following array?

```
int[] a = {1, 7, 5, 6, 4, 14, 11};  
for (int i = 0; i < a.length - 1; i++) {  
    if (a[i] > a[i + 1]) {  
        a[i + 1] = a[i + 1] * 2;  
    }  
}
```

<i>index</i>	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
<i>value</i>	1	7	10	12	8	14	22

Limitations of arrays

- You cannot resize an existing array:

```
int[] a = new int[4];  
a.length = 10;           // error
```

- You cannot compare arrays with == or equals:

```
int[] a1 = {42, -7, 1, 15};  
int[] a2 = {42, -7, 1, 15};  
if (a1 == a2) { ... }           // false!  
if (a1.equals(a2)) { ... }     // false!
```

- An array does not know how to print itself:

```
int[] a1 = {42, -7, 1, 15};  
System.out.println(a1);          // [I@98f8c4]
```

The Arrays class

- Class `Arrays` in package `java.util` has useful static methods for manipulating arrays:

Method name	Description
<code>binarySearch(array, value)</code>	returns the index of the given value in a <i>sorted</i> array (or < 0 if not found)
<code>copyOf(array, length)</code>	returns a new copy of an array
<code>equals(array1, array2)</code>	returns true if the two arrays contain same elements in the same order
<code>fill(array, value)</code>	sets every element to the given value
<code>sort(array)</code>	arranges the elements into sorted order
<code>toString(array)</code>	returns a string representing the array, such as " <code>[10, 30, -25, 17]</code> "

- Syntax: `Arrays.methodName(parameters)`

Arrays . toString

- `Arrays.toString` accepts an array as a parameter and returns a String representation of its elements.

```
int[] e = {0, 2, 4, 6, 8};  
e[1] = e[3] + e[4];  
System.out.println("e is " + Arrays.toString(e));
```

Output:

```
e is [0, 14, 4, 6, 8]
```

- Must import `java.util.*`;

Weather question 2

- Modify the weather program to print the following output:

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Temperatures: [45, 44, 39, 48, 37, 46, 53]

Two coldest days: 37, 39

Two hottest days: 53, 48

Weather answer 2

```
// Reads temperatures from the user, computes average and # days above average.
import java.util.*;

public class Weather2 {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        ...
        int[] temps = new int[days];           // array to store days' temperatures
        ...   (same as Weather program)

        // report results
        System.out.printf("Average temp = %.1f\n", average);
        System.out.println(count + " days above average");

        System.out.println("Temperatures: " + Arrays.toString(temps));
        Arrays.sort(temps);
        System.out.println("Two coldest days: " + temps[0] + ", " + temps[1]);
        System.out.println("Two hottest days: " + temps[temps.length - 1] +
                           ", " + temps[temps.length - 2]);
    }
}
```