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#### **Chapter 4: Arrays and strings**

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# Why do we need arrays?

- To handle many variables at once
- Processing many data or generating many results
- In mathematics, we are familiar with variables with indices:  $S_n = x_1 + x_2 + \ldots + x_n = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$ .

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \quad A_{1,1} = 1, \ A_{1,2} = 2, \ \dots, \ A_{3,2} = 8, \ A_{3,3} = 9$$

In most languages, indices start at zero (and not one). ...Just a convention  $(x_0, x_1, x_2, ...)$ 

# **Declaring arrays in Java**

For a given type, **TYPE[]** is the type of arrays storing elements of type TYPE.

- For arrays declared within the scope of functions:
- int [ ] x;
- boolean [ ] prime;
- double [ ] coordinates;
- float [ ] [ ] matrix;
- For arrays declared in the body of a class, use the keyword static: (array variables can be used by any function of the class)
- static int [ ] x;
- static boolean [ ] prime;

# **Building and initializing arrays**

#### larray.java

```
class declarray{
    static int digit [] = {1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 0};
    static double x [] = {Math.PI, Math.E, 1.0, 0.0};
    static boolean prime[]={ false, true, true, false, true, false, true, false, false };

    static void MyFunction(int n)
    {
        int y [];
        // Allocate an array of size n
        y=new int[n];
    }
}
```

#### **Observe:**

}

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static boolean prime[]={ false, true, true, true, false, true, false, true, false, false };
but not

static boolean prime[10]={ false, true, true, true, false, true, false, true, false, false };

# **Building and initializing arrays**

- Declare array with the reserved keyword new
- **Specify** the size of the array at built time
- Arrays can be declared and initialized at once too:
- int [ ] x;
- x=new int [32];
- boolean [ ] prime = new boolean[16];
- Arrays initialized by enumerating all its values:
- int [] prime={2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19};

# Size of arrays

Size of arrays is given by the member function length:

prime.length; System.out.println(prime.length);

Size of arrays fixed for once, cannot be changed: array.length=23; // Generate an error



## Size of arrays

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}

```
declarray2.java
 1 pclass declarray2{
 2
3
 4 🖻
         public static void MyFunction(int n)
 5
         ł
 6
              int array []=new int [n];
 7
8
              int i;
 9
              InformationArray(array);
10
         }
11
12
13 🖻
         public static void InformationArray(int [] t)
14
15
              System.out.println("Size of array given in argument is:"+t.length);
16
          }
17
18
19 🖻
         public static void main (String[] args)
20
21
22
             MyFunction(2312);
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23
                                             Size of array given in argument is:2312
24
             MyFunction(2008);
                                             Size of array given in argument is:2008
25
                                             Press any key to continue..._
         }
26
27
28
29
```

### Index range of arrays and exceptions

Powerful mechanism of modern languages (Java, C++)

If index is out of range, an **exception** is raised on the fly: ArrayIndexOutOfBounds

Out of range accesses **may not be detected** by the compiler: Bug that yields termination or system crash

... However, fortunately, Java can catch exceptions too.



## Size of arrays cannot be modified

declarray3.java

```
class declarray3{
 2
 3
 4
         public static void main (String[] args)
 5
         ſ
 6
 7
 8
              int x []=new int [12];
 9
10
              x.length=7;
11
12
         }
13
14
15
   └ }
16
```

ild Output

-----Configuration: <Default>-----

D:\Enseignements\INF311\Lectures2008\prog-inf311.4\declarray3.java:10: cannot assign a value to final variable length x\_length=7;

1 error

Process completed.



## Index range of arrays and exceptions





# The concept of references

An array is allocated as a single contiguous memory block

Java is managing memory so you do not have to free it once the array is not used anymore: **garbage collector** 

An array variable is, in fact, a **reference** to the array

This reference of the array is the **symbolic address** of the first element (index 0)

Thus, when we write...

```
int [ ] v = {0, 1, 2, 3, 4};
int [ ] t =v;
t[2]++;
System.out.println(t[2]++);
```

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# Arrays & references

```
arrayref.java
  1 □ class arrayref{
  2
3
  4
         public static void main (String[] args)
  5
  6
  7
              int[] u = new int [5];
 8
 9
              int [] v={0,1,2,3,4};
10
11
12
              System.out.println("Reference of array u in memory:"+u);
13
14
              System.out.println("Value of the 3rd element of array v:"+v[2]);
15
16
              // Declare a new array
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17
              int [] t =v;
                                                 Reference of array u in memory:[I@3e25a5]
18
                                                 Value of the 3rd element of array v:2
19
              System.out.println(v[2]);
20
              t[2]++;
21
              System.out.println(v[2]);
                                                 Press any key to continue..._
22
              v[2]++;
23
              System.out.println(t[2]);
24
25
          }
26
27
28
29
     }
```

# **Functions & arrays**

Functions and procedures can have arrays as arguments. (remember that array types are: TypeElement[])

Example: Function that returns the minimum of an array of integers

```
arraymin.java
```

```
1 pclass arraymin{
 2
3
        static int minArray(int [] t)
 5
             int m=t[0];
 6
 7
             for(int i=1;i<t.length; ++i)</pre>
 8
                  if (t[i]<m)
 9
                      m=t[i];
10
11
                      return m;
12
         }
13
14 🖻
        public static void main(String[] args)
15
16
        int [] v=new int [23];
17
18
         for(int i=0;i<23;i++)</pre>
19
             v[i]=25-i;
20
21
             System.out.println("The minimum of the array is :"+minArray(v));
22
         }
23
                                                 C:\PROGRA~1\XINOXS~1\JCREAT~1\GE2001.exe
24 -}
                                                The minimum of the array is :3
                                                Press any key to continue...
```

# Functions & arrays

# Example: Function that returns the inner product of 2 vectors (produit scalaire) $\langle (x_1, \ldots, x_n), (y_1, \ldots, y_n) \rangle := \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i = x_1 y_1 + \cdots + x_n y_n$

innerproduct.java

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}

```
1 class innerprod{
 2
 3 Ė
         static double innerproduct(int [] x, int [] y)
 4
         Ł
 5
             double sum=0.0:
 6
 7
                  System.out.println("Dim of vector x:"+x.length+ " Dim of vector y:"+y.length);
 8
 9
             for(int i=0;i<x.length; ++i)</pre>
10
                      sum=sum+x[i]*v[i];
11
12
                      return sum;
13
         }
14
15 Ē
         public static void main(String[] args)
                                                           C:\PROGRA~1\XINOXS~1\JCREAT~1\GE2001.exe
16
17
                                                           Dim of vector x:30 Dim of vector y:30
         int dimension=30;
                                                           The inner product of v1 and v2 is 8990.0
18
                                                           Press any key to continue...
19
         int [] v1, v2;
20
21
        v1=new int[dimension];
22
        v2=new int[dimension];
23
24
         for(int i=0;i<dimension;i++)</pre>
25
             {v1[i]=i;
26
              v2[i]=i+1;
27
              }
28
29
```

# Array arguments in functions

A variable that has a type array is a **reference** to the array (the memory address of the first element)

Therefore an argument of type array **does not copy** all array elements in the memory allocated for the function, but rather allocate a **single memory reference**: a machine word.

static void MyFunction(int [ ] x)
MyFunction(v);

Only the *reference of v* is copied to the memory allocated for the function MyFunction.



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# Array arguments in functions

Thus we can modify the inside a function the contents of the array: the values of the elements of the array.

modifyarray.java

```
1 pclass modifyarrav{
 2
3 static void swap(int [] t, int i, int j)
 4
    {
 5
        int tmp;
 6
 7
        tmp=t[i];
8
        t[i]=t[j];
9
        t[j]=tmp;
10
  ||- }
11
12 static void DisplayArray(int [] x)
13
   {
14
        for(int i=0;i<x.length;i++)</pre>
        System.out.print(x[i]+" ");
15
16
17
        System.out.println();
18 - \}
19
20 白
        public static void main(String[] args)
21
22
23
            System.out.println("This program shows how to modify inside a function the contents of an array");
24
25
            int [] t={1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9};
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26
27
            DisplayArray(t);
                                                 This program shows how to modify inside a function the contents of an array
28
                                                     456789
                                                    4356789
29
            swap(t,2,3);
                                                 Press any key to continue..._
30
31
            DisplayArray(t);
32
        }
33
34
```

## Functions returning an array

addvector.java

```
1 🗆 class addvector{
 2
 3
         static int [] addvector(int [] u, int [] v)
  4
         ſ
 5
             int[] result;
 6
 7
             result=new int[u.length];
 8
 9
             for(int i=0;i<u.length;i++)</pre>
10
                  result[i]=u[i]+v[i];
11
12
                  return result:
13
         }
14
15
16
         public static void main(String[] args)
  E
17
         ſ
18
             int [] x={1, 2, 3};
             int [] y={4, 5, 6};
19
20
21
             int [] z= addvector(x,y);
22
23
         for(int i=0;i<z.length;i++)</pre>
             System.out.print(z[i]+" ");
24
25
         }
26
27
    }
```

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7 9 Press any key to continue...

# Arrays of arrays...

So far, we described **linear array** (1D). What about matrices (2D arrays)?

A bidimensional array (n,m) consists of n lines, each of which is an array of m elements

int [ ] [ ] matrix; matrix=new int[n][m];

By default, at initialization, the array is **filled up with zero** Change the contents of 2D arrays using 2 **nested loops**:

```
for(int i=0; i<n; i++)
  for(int j=0; j<m;j++)
    matrix[i][j]=i*j+1;</pre>
```



### 2D Arrays: Matrix x vector product

#### matrixvector.java

```
1 🗆 class matrixvector{
 2
 3
         static int [] MultiplyMatrixVector(int [][] mat, int [] v)
 4
         Ł
 5
             int[] result;
 6
 7
             result=new int[mat.length];
 8
 9
             for(int i=0;i<result.length;i++)</pre>
10
             ł
11
                  result[i]=0;
12
13
                  for(int j=0;j<v.length;j++)</pre>
14
15
                  result[i]+= mat[i][j]*v[j];
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16
             }
                                                              14 32 50 Press any key to continue..._
17
                  return result;
18
         }
19
20
21 🔅
         public static void main(String[] args)
22
23
             int [][] M={{1, 2, 3}, {4,5,6}, {7,8,9}};
             int [] v={1,2,3};
24
25
26
             int [] z= MultiplyMatrixVector(M,v);
27
28
         for(int i=0;i<z.length;i++)</pre>
29
             System.out.print(z[i]+" ");
30
         }
31
32
   └ }
```

# **Dichotomic search**

Also called binary search algorithm

Assume we are given a **sorted array** of size n:

array[0] < array[1] < ... < array[n-1]

and a query key p

Seek whether there is an element in the array that has value p

That is, give a function that return the **index** of the element in the array with value p, or that returns -1 otherwise.



### **Dichotomic search: Think recursion!**

- Start with a search interval [left, right] with left=0 and right=n-1
- Let m denote the **middle** of this interval: m=(left+right)/2
- If array[m]=p then we are done, and we return m;
- If array[m] <a, then if the solution exists it is in [m+1,right]
- If array[m]>a, then if the solution exists it is in [left,m+1]
- The search algorithm terminates if left>right, we return -1;



## **Dichotomic search: Recursion**

dichotomysearch.java

1 🗆 class dichotomysearch{

```
2
3
4 🖻
        static int Dichotomy(int [] array, int left, int right, int key)
 5
 6
 7
            if (left>right) return -1;
 8
9
            int m=(left+right)/2;
10
11
            if (arrav[m]==kev) return m;
12
            else
13
            ł
14
                if (array[m]<key) return Dichotomy(array,m+1, right, key);
15
                    else return Dichotomy(array,left,m-1, key);
16
            }
17
18
        }
19
20
21 🖻
        static int DichotomicSearch(int [] array, int key)
22
        ł
23
            return Dichotomy(array,0,array.length-1, key);
24
        }
25
26 🖨
        public static void main (String[] args)
27
28
        int [] v={1,6,9,12,45,67,76,80,95};
29
            System.out.println("Seeking for element 6: Position "+DichotomicSearch(v,6));
30
31
            System.out.println("Seeking for element 80: Position "+DichotomicSearch(v,80));
32
            System.out.println("Seeking for element 33: Position "+DichotomicSearch(v,33));
33
        }
34
                                                          C:\PROGRA~1\XINOXS~1\JCREAT~1\GE2001.exe
35 L}
                                                          Seeking for element 6: Position 1
                                                          Seeking for element 80: Position 7
                                                          Seeking for element 33: Position -1
```

Press any key to continue...

# Strings: Basic objects in Java

- A string of character is an object with type String
- A variable of type String is a reference on that object:
- String school= "Ecole Polytechnique"; String vars=school;
- Once built, a string object cannot be modified

 Beware: use only for moderate length strings, otherwise use the class StringBuffer

# **Class String: Some methods**

A method is a function or procedure on an object class

Method Length(): gives the number of characters

```
String s= ''anticonstitutionnellement'';
System.out.println(s.length());
```

Method equals():

s1.equals(s2): Predicate that returns true **if and only if** the two strings s1 and s2 are made of the same sequence of characters.

```
String s1=''Poincare'';
String s2=TC.lireMotSuivant();
System.out.println(s1.equals(s2));
```

Beware: s1==s2 is different! It compares the **reference** of the strings. (Physical versus logical equality test)

# **Class String in action...**

ngmethod.java	
🗏 class s	tringmethod{
📮 pub	lic static void main(String[] args)
	String name="Ecole Polytechnique";
	String promotion="2008";
	<pre>String fullname=name+" "+promotion;</pre>
	<pre>System.out.println(fullname):</pre>
	<pre>System.out.println("Length:"+fullname.length());</pre>
	System.out.println("Type a sentence so that I check whether it is Poincare or not");
	String pattern="Poincare";
	<pre>String query=TC.lireMotSuivant();</pre>
	System out println(nattern equals(query)):
	Ecole Polytechnique 2008
}	Length:24 Type a sentence so that I check whether it is Poincare or not
	Poincare
	Press any key to continue
- }	



## **Class String: More methods**

Method charAt():

s.charAt(i) gives the character at the (i+1)th position in string s.

String s= ''3.14159265'';
System.out.println(s.charAt(1));

#### Method compareTo():

u.compareTo(v) compares lexicographically the strings u with v

String u=''lien'', v=''lit'', w=''litterie'';
System.out.println(u.compareTo(v));
System.out.println(v.compareTo(w));

# **Class String: More methods**

```
stringmethod2.java
  1 class stringmethod2
 2
3
4
5
     ſ
         public static void main(String[] args)
   —
          ſ
 6
              String s="3.141559";
 7
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 8
              System.out.println(s.charAt(1));
 9
                                                               -15
-5
10
              String u="lien", v="lit", w="litterie";
11
              System.out.println(u.compareTo(v));
                                                              Press any key to continue
              System.out.println(v.compareTo(w));
12
13
14
          }
15
16
    - }
```





Function main has an array of string of characters as arguments These strings are stored in args[0], args[1], ... ... when calling java main s0 s1 s2 s3

Use Integer.parseInt() to convert a string into an integer

D:\J>javac main.java D:\J>java main a small test to parse as a command line 0:a 1:small 2:test 3:to 4:parse 5:as 6:a 7:command 8:line

### Parsing arguments in the main function

parsingarg.java

```
🖯 class parsingarg{
 2
 3
 4
 5
        public static void main(String[] args)
  6
 7
 8
             String first=args[0];
 g
10
             for(int i=1; i<args.length;i++)</pre>
11
             if (first.compareTo(args[i])>0)
12
             first=args[i];
13
14
             System.out.println("Lexicographically maximum string is:"+first);
15
         }
16
17
    }
```

#### D:\J>java parsingarg lit lien litterie Lexicographically maximum string is:lien D:\J>

### Parsing arguments in the main function



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