

CGT 215 Lecture 7

Arrays



Data Structures

- *Data structures* are collections of related data items.

Arrays

- *Arrays* are data structures consisting of related data items of the same type.
- Arrays are fixed-length entities – they remain the same length once they are created, although an array variable may be reassigned such that it refers to a new array of a different length.

Arrays

- ❑ An array is a group of variables (called elements) containing values that all have the same type.
- ❑ The position number of the element within the array is called the element's *index*

Arrays

Name of array variable (c) →

c[0]	-45
c[1]	6
c[2]	0
c[3]	72
c[4]	1543
c[5]	-89
c[6]	0
c[7]	62
c[8]	-3
c[9]	1
c[10]	6453
c[11]	78

Index (or subscript) of the
element in array c

Value stored in index 4
of array c

Or

Value stored in c[4]

Array indices

- The first element in every array has index zero and is sometimes called the *zeroth element*.

Declaring – Single Dimension

- ❑ `private int[] x;`
- ❑ `private int[] numbers; //declare numbers as an int array of any size`
- ❑ `private string[] words; //declare words as a string array of any size`
- ❑ `private Dog[] myDogs; //declare myDogs as a Dog array of any size`

Creating a new instance

- ❑ After you declare the array, you can specify the size:
- ❑ `numbers = new int[7];` *//numbers is a 7-element array*
- ❑ `numbers = new int[15];` *//now it's a 15-element array*
- ❑ `words = new string[5];` *//words is a 5-element array*
- ❑ `words = new string[20];` *//now it's a 20-element array*
- ❑ `myDogs = new Dog[3];` *//myDogs is an array of 3 Dogs*
- ❑ `myDogs = new Dog[30];` *//now it's a 30-element array*

Initializing

- `int[] numbers = new int[5] { 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 };`
- `string[] words = new string[3] { "Bottle", "Cup", "Art" };`
- `// Dog is a little more involved`
 - `private Dog doggie1, doggie2;`
...
 - `doggie1 = new Dog();`
 - `doggie2 = new Dog();`
 - `Dog[] myDogs = new Dog[2] { doggie1, doggie2 };`

Setting/Retrieving values from array

- ❑ `numbers[2]` //accesses the 3rd element of the array
- ❑ `words[0]` //accesses the 1st element of the array
- ❑ `myDogs[5]` //accesses the 6th element of the array

- ❑ `numbers[3] = 5;`
 - ❑ //sets the 4th element equal to the number 5
- ❑ `words[1] = “aardvark”;`
 - ❑ //sets the 2nd element equal to “aardvark”
- ❑ `myDogs[2] = doggie1;`
 - ❑ //sets the 3rd element equal to the dog object: doggie1

Setting/Retrieving values from array

- ❑ `private int x;`
- ❑ `private string text;`
- ❑ `private Dog puppy;`
- ❑ `puppy = new Dog();`

- ❑ `x = numbers[4];`
 - ❑ `//retrieves the 5th element from numbers and stores the value into x`
- ❑ `text = words[0];`
 - ❑ `//retrieves the 1st element from words and stores the value into text`
- ❑ `puppy = myDogs[1];`
 - ❑ `//retrieves the 2nd element from myDogs and stores the value into puppy`

Length of an array

- ❑ `int lengthOfNums, lengthOfWords, lengthOfDogs;`
- ❑ `lengthOfNums = numbers.Length;`
- ❑ `lengthOfWords = words.Length;`
- ❑ `lengthOfDogs = myDogs.Length;`

Length of an array

- //you can use a variable for the index number
- ```
for(int i=0; i < words.Length; i++)
{
 tb.Text += (words[i].ToString() + “\r\n”);
}
```
- //this for loop would produce:
  - Bottle
  - Aardvark
  - Art

# Alternately – using foreach

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- `//Again, using a variable as the array index`
- `foreach(string word in words)`
  - `{`
  - `tb.Text += ( word.ToString() + “\r\n” );`
  - `}`
- `//this foreach loop would produce:`
  - Bottle
  - Aardvark
  - Art

# Common Programming Error 8.4

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- ❑ The *foreach* statement can be used only to access array elements – it cannot be used to modify elements. Any attempt to change the value of the iteration variable in the body of a *foreach* statement will cause a compilation error.

# Passing array into methods

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- ❑ `double[] hourlyTemp = new double[24];`
- ❑ `ModifyArray( hourlyTemp );`
- ❑ 

```
public void ModifyArray(double[] ht)
{
 //set the 1st element to the temperature 76.8 degrees
 ht[0] = 76.8;
}
```
- ❑ `//hourlyTemp[0] now equals 76.8`



# Multidimensional Arrays

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- ❑ *Multidimensional arrays* with two dimensions are often used to represent *tables of values* consisting of information in *rows* and *columns*.
- ❑ Think of a two-dimensional array like a spreadsheet, rows and columns.

# Rectangular Arrays

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- *Rectangular arrays* are used to represent tables of information in the form of rows and columns, where each row has the same number of columns.
- An array with **m** rows and **n** columns is called an *m-by-n array*

# Rectangular Arrays

|       | Column 0  | Column 1  | Column 2  | Column 3  |
|-------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Row 0 | a[ 0, 0 ] | a[ 0, 1 ] | a[ 0, 2 ] | a[ 0, 3 ] |
| Row 1 | a[ 1, 0 ] | a[ 1, 1 ] | a[ 1, 2 ] | a[ 1, 3 ] |
| Row 2 | a[ 2, 0 ] | a[ 2, 1 ] | a[ 2, 2 ] | a[ 2, 3 ] |

Diagram illustrating the structure of a rectangular array `a` with row and column indices. The array is shown as a grid of elements, with the first three rows and four columns labeled. The elements are represented as `a[ row index, column index ]`. The diagram highlights the components of the expression `a[ 2, 1 ]` (the element at Row 2, Column 1):

- Column index**: Points to the value `1` in the second column of the third row.
- Row index**: Points to the value `2` in the third row of the second column.
- Array name**: Points to the variable `a` in the third row of the second column.

# Declaring – Two Dimensional

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- `private int[,] x;`
  
- `private int[,] counters;`
  - `//declare counters as a 2-dimensional int array of any size`
  
- `private string[,] names;`
  - `//declare names as a 2-dimensional string array of any size`
  
- `private cat[,] kittens;`
  - `//declare kittens as a 2-dimensional cat array of any size`

# Creating a new instance

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□ After you declare the array, you can specify the size:

- `counters = new int[7,7];` //counters has 7 rows and 7 cols
- `counters = new int[3,7];` //now it has 3 rows and 7 cols
- `names = new string[5,4];` //names has 5 rows and 4 cols
- `names = new string[2,2];` //now it has 2 rows and 2 cols
- `kittens = new cat[3,3];` //kittens has 3 rows and 3 cols
- `kittens = new cat[9,9];` //now it has 9 rows and 9 cols

# Initializing (3 ways to do the same thing)

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□ `int[,] counters = new int[2,3] {{1, 2, 3},  
                                  {4, 5, 6}  
                                  };`

□ **OR**

□ `int[,] counters = new int[,] {{1, 2, 3},  
                                  {4, 5, 6}  
                                  };`

□ **OR**

□ `int[,] counters = {{1, 2, 3},  
                      {4, 5, 6}  
                      };`

# Initializing (3 ways to do the same thing)

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□ `string[,] names = new string[3,2]{{"Sam", "Tom"},  
{"Pat", "Jim"},  
{"Scott", "Craig"}};`

□ **OR**

□ `string[,] names = new string[,] {{"Sam", "Tom"},  
{"Pat", "Jim"},  
{"Scott", "Craig"}};`

□ **OR**

□ `string[,] names = {{"Sam", "Tom"},  
{"Pat", "Jim"},  
{"Scott", "Craig"}};`

# Initializing (3 ways to do the same thing)

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- *//cat is a little more involved*
  - private cat kitten1, kitten2, kitten3, kitten4;
  - ...
  - kitten1 = new cat();
  - kitten2 = new cat();
  - kitten3 = new cat();
  - kitten4 = new cat();
  
- *//continued on next slide...*



# Initializing (3 ways to do the same thing)

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□ `//continued from previous slide...`

□ `cat[,] litter = new cat[2,2] {{kitten1, kitten2},  
 {kitten3, kitten4}  
 };`

□ **OR**

□ `cat[,] litter = new cat[,] {{kitten1, kitten2},  
 {kitten3, kitten4}  
 };`

□ **OR**

□ `cat[,] litter = {{kitten1, kitten2},  
 {kitten3, kitten4}  
 };`

# Declare & Initialize a 9x9 int array

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```
private int[,] solution1 = { {7,9,2,3,5,1,8,4,6},
 {4,6,8,9,2,7,5,1,3},
 {1,3,5,6,8,4,7,9,2},
 {6,2,1,5,7,9,4,3,8},
 {5,8,3,2,4,6,1,7,9},
 {9,7,4,8,1,3,2,6,5},
 {8,1,6,4,9,2,3,5,7},
 {3,5,7,1,6,8,9,2,4},
 {2,4,9,7,3,5,6,8,1}
 };
```

# Declare a 3x8 array of integers

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□ //Declare array and variables
private int[,] colors;
private int r=0, g=1, b=2; //rows

//create new instance - 3 rows (r,g,b), 8 columns
colors = new int[3,8];

//set a value
colors[r,3] = 1; //set row 0, column 4 equal to 1
colors[r,4] = 0; //set row 0, column 5 equal to 0
colors[r,5] = 1; //set row 0, column 6 equal to 1

colors[g,0] = 0; //set row 1, column 1 equal to 0
colors[g,1] = 0; //set row 1, column 2 equal to 0
colors[g,2] = 1; //set row 1, column 3 equal to 1
```

# Declare a 3x8 array of integers

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□ *//Alternately:*

```
private int[,] colors = {{0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0},
 {0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0},
 {0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0}
 };
```

*//then*

```
colors[b,5] = 1; //set row 2, column 6 equal to 1
colors[b,6] = 0; //set row 2, column 7 equal to 0
colors[b,7] = 1; //set row 2, column 8 equal to 1
```

# Retrieving values from array

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- `counters[0,2]`
  - `//accesses the integer in the 1st row, 3rd column of the array`
- `names[1,0]`
  - `//accesses the string in the 2nd row, 1st column of the array`
- `cat[5,4]`
  - `//accesses the cat object in the 6th row, 5th column of the array`
  
- `counters[3,1] = 5;`
  - `//sets the integer in the 4th row, 2nd column of the array equal to the number 5`
- `names[1,3] = "Harry";`
  - `//sets the string in the 2nd row, 4th column of the array equal to "Harry"`
- `cat[0,1] = kitten1;`
  - `//sets the cat object in the 1st row, 2nd column equal to the cat object: kitten1`

# Length of a 2-dimensional array

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```
□ int[,] solution = { {1,2,3,4},
 {5,6,7,8},
 {9,10,11,12}
 };
```

```
□ tb.Text += solution.Length.ToString();
```

- //writes out: 12
- //there are 12 values in the array

# for loop for a 2-dimensional array

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```
//rows
for (int i = 0; i < 3; i++)
{
 //cols
 for (int k = 0; k < 4; k++)
 {
 //check for last array item-don't put comma after last one
 if(((i+1) * (k+1)) == solution.Length)
 tb.Text += (solution[i,k].ToString() + "\r\n");
 else
 tb.Text += (solution[i,k].ToString() + ", ");
 } //end inner for loop
} //end outer for loop

//writes out: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12
```

# More Advanced...

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- 3-dimensional array:
  - `int[, ,] items = new int[3,4,5];`
- Jagged array:
  - `int[][] numbers = {new int[] {1,2,3},  
new int[] {4,5,6,7,8,9},  
new int[] {3} };`
- There are others...