

# Arrays

## Unit 5

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## 7.1 Array Data Type

- Array: a variable that contains multiple values of the same type.
- Values are stored consecutively in memory.
- An array variable declaration statement in C++:  

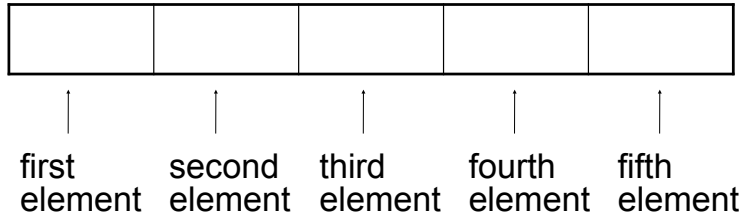
```
int numbers[5];
```
- This creates an array called `numbers` which contains 5 integer values (ints).

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## Array - Memory Layout

- The definition: `int numbers[5];`

allocates the following memory:  
(values are stored consecutively in memory)



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## Array Terminology

- Given the following array definition:  

```
int numbers[5];
```
- `numbers` is the name of the array
- `int` is the data type of the array elements
- `5` is the size declarator:  
the number of elements (values) in the array.

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## Size Declarator

- The size declarator must be an *integer* and a *constant*.
  - ▶ it must be greater than 0
  - ▶ IT CANNOT BE A VARIABLE!\*
- It can be a literal or a named constant.

```
const int SIZE = 40;  
double grades[SIZE];
```

- Named constants ease program maintenance when the size of the array must be changed.

\*Unless you are using a special compiler (mine is not special).

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## 7.2 Accessing Array Elements

- Each element of the array has a unique subscript (or index) that indicates its position in the array.
- The subscripts are 0-based
  - ▶ the first element has subscript 0
  - ▶ the second element has subscript 1
  - ▶ ...
  - ▶ the last element has subscript (size -1)

the last element's subscript is n-1 where n is the number of elements in the array

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## Accessing Array Elements

- Given this array declaration: `int numbers[5];`
- The syntax to access one element is:  
`numbers[2]` //the third element of numbers array
- Pronounced “numbers at 2” or “numbers sub 2”



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## Array subscripts

- The subscript is ALWAYS an integer
  - ▶ regardless of the type of the array elements.
- the subscript can be ANY integer expression
  - ▶ literal: 2                    `numbers[2]`
  - ▶ variable: i                    `numbers[i]`
  - ▶ expression:  $(i+2)/2$         `numbers[(i+2)/2]`

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## Inputting array contents

- Most array operations must be done one element at a time.
- Input programming assignment grades for a student in CS1428:

```
const int NUM_SCORES = 7;
int scores[NUM_SCORES];
cout << "Enter the " << NUM_SCORES
    << " programming assignment scores: " << endl;
cin >> scores[0];
cin >> scores[1];
cin >> scores[2];
cin >> scores[3];
cin >> scores[4];
cin >> scores[5];
cin >> scores[6];
```

- Is there a better way?

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## Array input using a loop

- We can use a for loop to **input** into the array
- The subscript/index can be the loop variable:

```
const int NUM_SCORES = 7;
int scores[NUM_SCORES];
cout << "Enter the " << NUM_SCORES
    << " programming assignment scores: " << endl;

for (int i=0; i < NUM_SCORES; i++) {
    cin >> scores[i];
}
```

- i starts at 0, the first valid subscript
- loop ends when i is 7, the first invalid subscript
- This code is equivalent to the code on the previous slide.

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## Array output using a loop

- We can also use a for loop to **output** the elements of the array:

```
const int NUM_SCORES = 7;
int scores[NUM_SCORES];
cout << "Enter the " << NUM_SCORES
    << " programming assignment scores: " << endl;

for (int i=0; i < NUM_SCORES; i++) {
    cin >> scores[i];
}

cout << "You entered these values: ";
for (int i=0; i < NUM_SCORES; i++) {
    cout << scores[i] << " ";
}
cout << endl;
```

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## 7.3 C++: No bounds checking

- C++ does not check it to make sure an array subscript is valid (between 0 and size-1)
- If you use a subscript that is outside the bounds of the array you **may not** get a warning or error.
- You may unintentionally change memory allocated to other variables.

```
const int SIZE = 3;
int values[SIZE];

for (int i=0; i < 5; i++) {
    values[i] = 100;
}
```

This code defines a three-element array and then writes five values to it (changing the memory after the array).

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## 7.4 Array initialization

- You can initialize arrays when they are defined.

```
const int NUM_SCORES = 3;  
float scores[NUM_SCORES] = {86.5, 92.1, 77.5};
```

- Values are assigned in order:

scores[0] = 86.5

scores[1] = 92.1

scores[2] = 77.5

|      |      |      |
|------|------|------|
| 86.5 | 92.1 | 77.5 |
|------|------|------|

- NOTE:** uninitialized arrays have GARBAGE values stored in them (not necessarily 0).

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## Partial Array Initialization

- When you initialize, you don't need to specify a value for every position.

```
float scores[7] = {86.5, 92.1, 77.5};
```

- In this case, the first 3 elements are initialized to the specified values.
- The uninitialized values **WILL** be set to 0!!!!

|      |      |      |   |   |   |   |
|------|------|------|---|---|---|---|
| 86.5 | 92.1 | 77.5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|------|------|------|---|---|---|---|

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## Implicit array sizing

- When you initialize, you don't need to specify the size declarator.

```
float scores[] = {86.5, 92.1, 77.5};
```

- In this case, the compiler determines the size of the array from the number of elements listed.

|      |      |      |
|------|------|------|
| 86.5 | 92.1 | 77.5 |
|------|------|------|

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## 7.6 Processing Array Contents

- Given the following array definition:

```
double tests[10];
```

the expression `tests[i]` may be used exactly like **any** variable of type double.

```
tests[0] = 79;  
cout << tests[0];  
cin >> tests[1];  
tests[4] = tests[0] + tests[1];
```

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## Using array elements:

```
double values[3]; //array definition
values[0] = 22.3; //assignment to array element
values[1] = 11.1;

cout << "Enter a number: ";
cin >> values[2];

double sum = values[0] + values[1] + values[2];
double avg = sum/3.0;

cout << "Values at zero: " << values[0] << endl;

int i=2;
if (values[i] > 32.0)
    cout << "Above freezing" << endl;
```

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## Operations over Entire Arrays

- Generally there are NO operations that you can perform over an **entire** array.
- Some operations may appear to work (no errors) but you don't get the desired results.

```
int numbers1[] = {1, 2, 3};
int numbers2[] = {4, 5, 6};

cin >> numbers1; //input, won't work
cout << numbers1 << endl; //output, won't work
numbers1 = numbers2; //assignment, won't work
if (numbers1==numbers2) //comparison, won't work
    ...
numbers3 = numbers1 + numbers2; //addition, won't work
```

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## Summing values in an array

- We can use a for loop to **sum** the elements of the array (the *running total*)

```
const int NUM_SCORES = 7;
int scores[NUM_SCORES];
cout << "Enter the " << NUM_SCORES
    << " programming assignment scores: " << endl;

for (int i=0; i < NUM_SCORES; i++) {
    cin >> scores[i];
}

int total = 0; //initialize accumulator
for (int i=0; i < NUM_SCORES; i++) {
    total = total + scores[i];
}
```

How do you get the average programming assignment score?

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## Finding the maximum value in an array

- We can use a for loop to **find the max** value:
- Note: keep track of the maximum value encountered so far (the *running maximum*)

```
const int NUM_SCORES = 7;
int scores[NUM_SCORES];
cout << "Enter the " << NUM_SCORES
    << " programming assignment scores: " << endl;

for (int i=0; i < NUM_SCORES; i++) {
    cin >> scores[i];
}

int maximum = scores[0]; //init max to first elem
for (int i=1; i < NUM_SCORES; i++) { //start i at 1
    if (scores[i] > maximum)
        maximum = scores[i]; //save the new maximum
} // no else needed
```

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# Array assignment

- To **copy/assign** one array to another, you must assign element by element.

```
const int SIZE = 4;
int values1[SIZE] = {100, 200, 300, 400};
int values2[SIZE];

// values2 = values1; WRONG, won't work correctly

for (int i = 0; i < SIZE; i++) {
    values2[i] = values1[i];
}
```

- Note: this does not work in all compilers:

```
values2 = {3,6,9,27};
//may or may not work for assignment
```