

The Java Language

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Overview

1 Quick Review

2 Basic Stuff

- Primitive Data Types, IEEE 754 Floating Point Standard
- Three types of Java Variable
- Arithmetic Operations
- Control Statements

3 Packages and Import Statements

4 Methods

- Polymorphism and Class Methods

5 Working with Arrays

- One- and Multi-dimensional Arrays; Ragged Arrays

Part 3

Working with Arrays

Definition of an Array

Definition

An array is simply a **sequence** of **numbered items** of the **same type**.

In Java, permissible types include:

- Primitive data types, and
- Instances of a class.

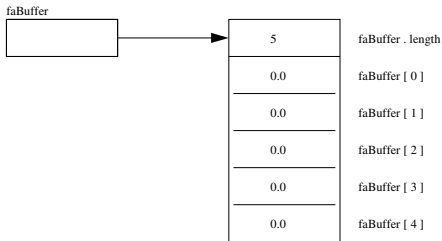
In either case, **individual items** in the array are **referenced** by their **position number** in the array.

One-Dimensional Arrays

Example 1. Declaration for Array of Floating Point Numbers

```
float[] faBuffer = new float [5];
```

Layout of Memory



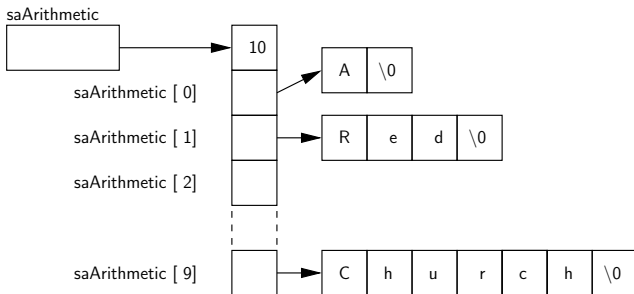
The first and last elements in the array are `faBuffer[0]` and `faBuffer[4]`. By default, all of the array elements will be initialized to zero!

One-Dimensional Arrays

Example 2. Declaration for Array of Character Strings

```
String [] saArithmetic = { "A", "Red", "Indian", "Thought",  
    "He", "Might", "Eat", "Toffee", "In", "Church" };
```

Abbreviated Layout of Memory



Multi-Dimensional Arrays

Multidimensional arrays are considered as **arrays of arrays** and are created by putting as many pairs of `[]` as of dimensions in your array.

Example 3. 4x4 matrix of doubles

```
double daaMat[][] = new double[4][4]; // This is a 4x4 matrix
```

Querying Dimensionality

You can query the different dimensions with the following syntax

```
array.length;           // Length of the first dimension.  
array[0].length;       // Length of the second dimension.  
array[0][0].length;    // Length of the third dimension.  
.... etc ...
```

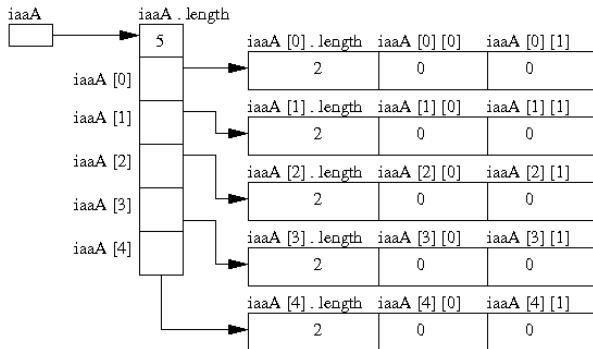
Multi-Dimensional Arrays

Example 4. Two-Dimensional Array of Ints

Array Declaration

```
int [][] iaaA = new int [5][2];
```

Layout of Memory



Ragged Arrays

Strategy 1. Compiler Determines Layout of Memory:

```
1
2 System.out.println("Test ragged arrays with variable row length");
3 System.out.println("Method 1: Compiler determines details");
4
5 int [][] iaaB = {{1,2},{3,4,5},{6,7,8,9},{10}};
6
7 System.out.println("");
8 System.out.println("No of rows      = " + iaaB.length );
9 System.out.println("Length of row 1 = " + iaaB[0].length );
10 System.out.println("Length of row 2 = " + iaaB[1].length );
11 System.out.println("Length of row 3 = " + iaaB[2].length );
12 System.out.println("Length of row 4 = " + iaaB[3].length );
13
14 System.out.println("Array: iaaB");
15 System.out.println("-----");
16
17 for(int i = 0; i < iaaB.length; i=i+1) {
18     for(int j = 0; j < iaaB[i].length; j=j+1)
19         System.out.printf(" %3d ", iaaB[i][j] );
20     System.out.printf("\n" );
21 }
```

Ragged Arrays

Strategy 1. Output:

Test ragged arrays with variable row length

Method 1: Compiler determines details

No of rows = 4

Length of row 1 = 2

Length of row 2 = 3

Length of row 3 = 4

Length of row 4 = 1

Array: iaaB

1	2		
3	4	5	
6	7	8	9
10			

Ragged Arrays

Strategy 2." Manual Assembly of Ragged Arrays:

```
1 System.out.println("Method 2: Manual assembly of the array structure");
2
3 int [][] iaaC = new int[4] []; // Create number of rows...
4 iaaC[0] = new int[2]; // Create memory for row 1.
5 iaaC[1] = new int[3]; // Create memory for row 2.
6 iaaC[2] = new int[4]; // Create memory for row 3.
7 iaaC[3] = new int[1]; // Create memory for row 4.
8
9 iaaC[0][0] = 1; iaaC[0][1] = 2;
10 iaaC[1][0] = 3; iaaC[1][1] = 4; iaaC[1][2] = 5;
11 iaaC[2][0] = 6; iaaC[2][1] = 7; iaaC[2][2] = 8; iaaC[2][3] = 9;
12 iaaC[3][0] = 10;
13
14 System.out.println("Array: iaaC");
15 System.out.println("-----");
16 for(int i = 0; i < iaaC.length; i=i+1) {
17     for(int j = 0; j < iaaC[i].length; j=j+1)
18         System.out.printf(" %3d ", iaaC[i][j] );
19     System.out.printf("\n" );
20 }
```

Ragged Arrays

Strategy 2. Output:

Method 2: Manual assembly of the array structure

```
Array: iaaC
```

```
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```

```
  1    2  
  3    4    5  
  6    7    8    9  
 10
```