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Objectives of Lecture 20

Arrays

- Introduce another Java container class called Array.
- Compare Arrays with Vectors
- See some examples with Arrays.

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Outline of Lecture 20

- Arrays
- Arrays versus Vectors
- Two simple array examples

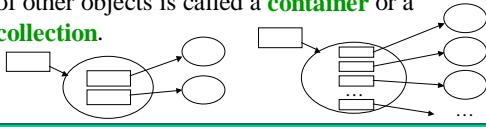
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Containers - Review

- An object's state consists of instance variables that are bound to other objects or values.
- Sometimes it is useful for an object's state to include an arbitrary number of other objects.
- An object that remembers an arbitrary number of other objects is called a **container** or a **collection**.



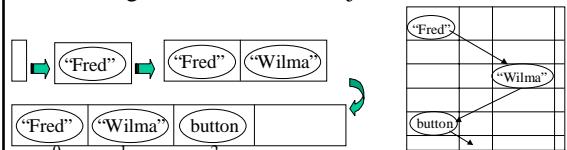
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Vector: an Indexed Collection

- Vectors are containers whose elements are indexed by integers are called indexed containers.
- A Vector, can hold any kind of Objects, but not values.
- The integer indexes are the object references.



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Vector: Condition of use

- A Vector is indexed by non-negative ints so it can be accessed by position;
- The first position is 0, not 1;
- A Vector knows its current size;
- A vector is initially empty and of size 0;
- The size of a vector is not known in advance.
- A Vector can be iterated by index;
- When you access an Object in a Vector, you must **cast** its type to use it.

```
myCD=(CompactDisc) myCollection.ElementAt(index);
```

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Java Arrays - Declarations

- In Java there is a container called an array that can hold an arbitrary number of Objects or values.
- Since arrays can contain values, they can sometimes be used when Vectors cannot.
- An array is declared using brackets:

```
int    markArray[];  
Person personArray[];  
String stringArray[];
```

or
int[] markArray;
Person[] personArray;
String[] stringArray;

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Java Arrays - Constructors

- When an array is created, its size must be specified and the size cannot change.
- Since the size of an array is fixed when it is created, Vectors can sometimes be used when arrays cannot.
- An array is created using an array constructor:

```
markArray = new int[30];  
personArray = new Person[30];  
stringArray = new String[10];
```

54	78	90	60
Fred	Wilma		

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Java Arrays - Accessing

- Array elements can be accessed using brackets: markArray[3].
- The length of an array can be obtained using the public length attribute (not a message): markArray.length.
- Since arrays are indexed, starting at zero, the indexes go from: 0 to length - 1.

```
// add 5 to all elements of an array  
for (index = 0; index < markArray.length; index++)  
    markArray[index] = markArray[index] + 5;
```

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Java Arrays - Literal Initializers

- Literal values can be put into an array using braces.

```
int    markArray[] = { 10, 20, 30, 40, 50};  
String stringArray[] = {"Fred", "Barney"};
```

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Multidimensional Arrays

- We can have vectors inside a vector;
- Arrays can be multidimensional;

```
int numList[2][3];
```

1	2	3
4	5	6

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

```
int oneNumber = numbers[1][2];
```

1	2	3
4	5	6

Warning: Do not try to access an element that does not exist (i.e. and index beyond the size of the array or array dimension)

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Vectors and Arrays

- An array is a list (multidimensional lists) of object/values of the same type, while a vector is a list of objects of any type
- An array is a structure, not an object, and thus can be accessed relatively faster while an vector is an object accessible only by sending messages
- arrays are fixed sized and cannot grow while vectors are dynamic collections of objects

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Accessing Vectors vs. Accessing Arrays

- Arrays: reference the arrays at a given index;
`myVariable = myArray[index];`
- Vectors: send a message `elementAt` to vector.
`myObject = (objectClass)myVector.elementAt(index);`

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Array Example

```
// Find the largest element in an array of ints
int markArray[] = {50, 37, 71, 99, 63};
int index;
int max;
index = 0;
max = markArray[index];
for (index = 1; index < markArray.length; index++)
    if (markArray[index] > max)
        max = markArray[index];
System.out.println(max);
```

markArray

50	0
37	1
71	2
99	3
63	4

index=5

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Array Example2

```
// Find the index of the largest element in an array of ints
int markArray[] = {50, 37, 71, 99, 63};
int index;
int indexOfMax;
index = 0;
indexOfMax = 0;
for (index = 1; index < markArray.length; index++)
    if (markArray[index] > markArray[indexOfMax])
        indexOfMax = index;
System.out.println(indexOfMax);
```

markArray

50	0
37	1
71	2
99	3
63	4

index = 5

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Java Multidimensional Array Example

```
// multidimensional array
int matrix[][] = { {0, 1, 2, 3}, {1, 0, 3, 2}, {2, 3, 0, 1}, {3, 2, 1, 0} };
int row, column;
for (row = 0; row < 4; row++) {
    for (column = 0; column < 4; column++)
        System.out.print(" " + matrix[row][column]);
    System.out.println();
}
```

0	1	2	3
1	0	3	2
2	3	0	1
3	2	1	0