

Lectures 5-1

## Arrays II

### Array processing: best practice advice

```
char[] x;
// Let's assume that x has been populated with data.

// Traditional array processing logic
for (int i = 0; i < x.length; i++)
    System.out.println(x[i]);

// Use this when the computation of the termination condition is costly
for (int i = 0, n = costlyComputation(); i < n; i++)
    System.out.println(x[i]);

// For...each style: Use this whenever possible
for (char c : x)
    System.out.println(c);

// Avoid while loops -- the variable i remains in scope and can cause
// trouble later
int i = 0;
while (i < x.length)
    System.out.println(x[i++]);
```

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## Behind the scene view of arrays

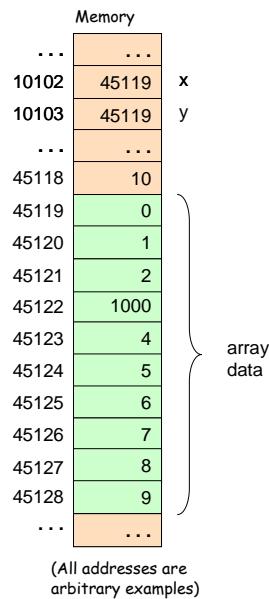
```
int[] x = new int[10];
for (int j = 0; j < x.length; j++) {
    x[j] = j;
}

int[] y = x;
y[3] = 1000;

System.out.print(x[3]);
// will print 1000.
```

### A peek into the compiler's working:

- `int[] x = new int[10];`: This command generates low-level code that asks the OS to allocate a memory block that can accommodate 10 integers. Next, the code assigns the base address of this block to the variable `x`.
- `int[] y = x;`: This command generates low-level code that assigns the contents of `x` (a memory address) to `y`.



## Arrays as parameters

```
// A static class providing various services
// that help process arrays of integers
public class IntArrays {

    public static boolean containsZero (int[] a) {
        for (int x : a)
            if (x == 0)
                return true;
        return false;
    }

    public static int sum (int[] a) {
        int sum = 0;
        for (int x : a)
            sum = sum + x;
        return sum;
    }

    // More static methods
    // for processing
    // arrays of integers.
}

public class ArrayDemo {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        int[] x = new int[10];
        int[] y = new int[10];
        for (int j = 0; j < x.length; j++) x[j] = j;
        for (int j = 0; j < y.length; j++) y[j] = j + 1;
        System.out.println(IntArrays.sum(x));
        System.out.println(IntArrays.containsZero(x));
        System.out.println(IntArrays.containsZero(y));
    }
}
```

Example of a "helper" static class, designed to help process arrays

Side comment:

- It would be nice if we could generalize this class to handle arrays of *any* numeric type
- Can be done using "generics" (later in the course)

Output:

```
45
true
false
```

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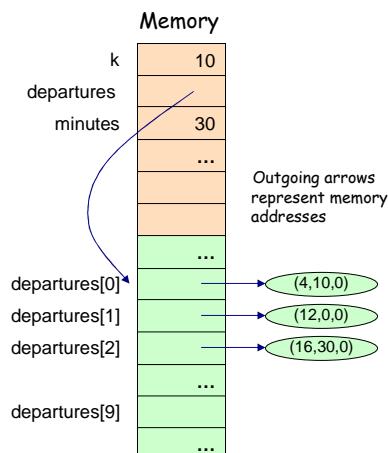
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## Array of objects

Specification: Create a sequence of *departures*.  
Each departure is represented by a *Time* object  
whose data is (hours, minutes, seconds)

```
int k = 10;
Time[] departure = new Time[k];
departure[0] = new Time(4,10,0);
departure[1] = new Time(12,0,0);
Departure[2] = new Time(16,30,0);
// ...
int minutes = departure[2].getMinutes();
```



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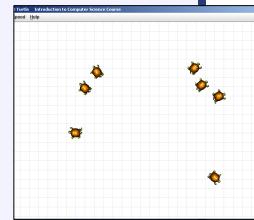
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## Array of objects: example

```
// Creates some turtles and sends them to move in random directions.
public class TurtleJungle {
    static final int STEP = 20;
    static final int N_TURTLES = 7;

    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Turtle[] turtles = new Turtle[N_TURTLES];
        for (int i = 0; i < turtles.length; i++) {
            turtles[i] = new Turtle();
            turtles[i].turnLeft((int) (Math.random() * 360));
            turtles[i].tailUp();
        }

        while (true)
            for (Turtle t : turtles)
                t.moveForward(STEP);
    }
}
```



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## Polynomials

A Polynomial function, aka "Polynomial", is a real-valued function of the following form:

$$p(x) = c_n x^n + c_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots + c_1 x + c_0$$

Where  $n$  is a nonnegative integer, called the polynomial *degree*,  $c_n, \dots, c_0$  are called *coefficients*, and  $x$  is the Polynomial *argument*, i.e. the number at which the Polynomial is evaluated.

Examples of some polynomials:

$$5x^2 - 17x + 2 \quad x^3 - 27 \quad 3x \quad 2$$

Note that a polynomial is completely characterized by its coefficients.

For example, the first polynomial is characterized by (2, -17, 5)

We wish to write a Java class that represents and manipulates polynomials with integer coefficients. In particular, we want to be able to create polynomials, evaluate them, add them, print them, and so on.

We start by making some design decisions:

- Each polynomial will be represented by an immutable object
- The object's data will be the polynomial's coefficients, and its degree

## Polynomial specification

```
// An immutable polynomial with integer coefficients c0, c1, c2, ...
// representing the polynomial c0 + c1*x + c2*x^2 ...
public class Polynomial {

    // Constructs a new polynomial using the supplied coefficients.
    public Polynomial (int[] coefficients)

    // Returns the coefficient of this polynomial's k'th term
    public int getCoefficient (int k)

    // Returns the value of this polynomial at point x
    public double valueAt (double x)

    // Returns the degree of this polynomial
    public int getDegree ()

    // Returns the polynomial resulting from the addition of this polynomial and p
    public Polynomial plus (Polynomial p)

    // Displays this polynomial as a string of the form an*x^n + ... + a1*x + a0
    public String toString ()
}
```

## Using Polynomial

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// coefficients c0, c1, c2, ...
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    // Returns the coefficient of this
    // polynomial's k'th term
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    // form an*x^n + ... + a1*x + a0
    public String toString ()
}
```

```
// p(x) = 4x^3 + 2x^2 - 3x + 1
int[] pCoefficients = {1, -3, 2, 4};
Polynomial p = new Polynomial(pCoefficients);

System.out.println(p);
System.out.println("p(2) = " + p.valueAt(2) + "\n");

// q(x) = x^4 + 2x - 7
int[] qCoefficients = {-7, 2, 0, 0, 1};
Polynomial q = new Polynomial(qCoefficients);

System.out.println(q);
System.out.println("q(3) = " + q.valueAt(3) + "\n");

Polynomial pPlusq = p.plus(q);
System.out.println(pPlusq);
System.out.println("pPlusq(2) = " + pPlusq.valueAt(2));
```

```
D:\demo>java PolynomialDemo
4x^3 + 2x^2 - 3x + 1
p<2> = 35.0
1x^4 + 2x - 7
q<3> = 80.0
1x^4 + 4x^3 + 2x^2 - 1x - 6
pPlusq<2> = 48.0
```

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## Polynomial implementation

```
public class Polynomial {

    // The polynomial's coefficients are kept in an array:
    // The coefficient of x^i is stored in coefficients[i].
    // The coefficient's degree is kept in n.
    private int[] coefficients;
    private int n;

    // Constructs this polynomial from given coefficients
    public Polynomial(int[] coefficients) {
        this.n = coefficients.length;
        this.coefficients = new int[n];
        System.arraycopy(coefficients, 0, this.coefficients, 0, n);
    }

    // Returns the coefficient of this polynomial's k'th term
    public int getCoefficient(int k) {
        return k < n ? coefficients[k] : 0;
    }

    // More methods in the next slides
}
```

Polynomial class

`System.arraycopy`: Copies n entries from a source array to a destination array, beginning and ending at specified positions.

More readable than a for loop.

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```
// p(x) = 4x^3 + 2x^2 - 3x + 1
int[] pCoefficients = {1, -3, 2, 4};
Polynomial p = new Polynomial(pCoefficients);
```

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## Polynomial implementation (cont.)

```
// Displays this polynomial as a string
public String toString() {
    int degree = getDegree();
    if (degree == 0) return "" + coefficients[0];
    if (degree == 1) return coefficients[1] + "x" + coefficients[0];

    String s = coefficients[degree] + "x^" + degree;
    for (int i = degree-1; i >= 0; i--) {
        if (coefficients[i] == 0) continue;
        else if (coefficients[i] > 0) s = s + " + " + (coefficients[i]);
        else if (coefficients[i] < 0) s = s + " - " + (-coefficients[i]);
        if (i == 1) s = s + "x";
        else if (i > 1) s = s + "x^" + i;
    }
    return s;
}
```

Polynomial class

```
D:\demo>java PolynomialDemo
4x^3 + 2x^2 - 3x + 1
```

```
int[] pCoefficients = {1, -3, 2, 4};
Polynomial p = new Polynomial(pCoefficients);
System.out.println(p);
```

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## Polynomial implementation (cont.)

```
// Returns the value of this polynomial at a given point.
public double valueAt(double x) {
    int value = 0;
    int power = 1;
    for (int c : coefficients) {
        value += c * power;
        power *= x;
    }
    return value;
}

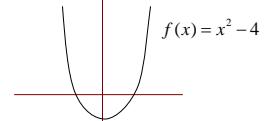
// f(x) = x^2 - 4
int[] fCoefficients = {-4, 0, 1};
Polynomial f = new Polynomial(fCoefficients);
System.out.println("f(x) = " + f + "\n");

for (int x = -9; x <= 9; x++) {
    double y = f.valueAt(x);
    System.out.print("f(" + x + ")= " + y);
    if (y == 0) System.out.print(" root");
    System.out.println();
}
```

Polynomial class

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```
D:\demo>java PolynomialDemo
f(x) = 1x^2 - 4
f(-9)= 77.0
f(-8)= 60.0
f(-7)= 45.0
f(-6)= 32.0
f(-5)= 21.0
f(-4)= 12.0
f(-3)= 5.0
f(-2)= 0.0 root
f(-1)= -3.0
f(0)= -4.0
f(1)= -3.0
f(2)= 0.0 root
f(3)= 5.0
f(4)= 12.0
f(5)= 21.0
f(6)= 32.0
f(7)= 45.0
f(8)= 60.0
f(9)= 77.0
```



## Polynomial implementation (cont.)

```
// Returns the degree of this polynomial.  
public int getDegree() {  
    int degree = n - 1;  
    while (coefficients[degree] == 0) degree--;  
    return degree;  
}  
  
// Returns the polynomial resulting from  
// the addition of this polynomial and another one.  
public Polynomial plus(Polynomial p) {  
    int n = 1 + Math.max(getDegree(), p.getDegree());  
    int[] sum = new int[n];  
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)  
        sum[i] = getCoefficient(i)  
            + p.getCoefficient(i);  
    return new Polynomial(sum);  
}
```

```
D:\demo>java PolynomialDemo  
4x^3 + 2x^2 - 3x + 1  
1x^4 + 2x - 7  
1x^4 + 4x^3 + 2x^2 - 1x - 6
```

Polyomial class

$$p(x) = 4x^3 + 2x^2 - 3x + 1$$

$$q(x) = x^4 + 2x - 7$$

$$(p+q)(x) = ?$$

Polynomial addition is done by adding like terms

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```
// p(x) = 4x^3 + 2x^2 - 3x + 1  
int[] pCoefficients = {1, -3, 2, 4};  
  
Polynomial p = new Polynomial(pCoefficients);  
System.out.println(p);  
  
// q(x) = x^4 + 2x - 7  
int[] qCoefficients = {-7, 2, 0, 0, 1};  
  
Polynomial q = new Polynomial(qCoefficients);  
System.out.println(q);  
  
System.out.println(p.plus(q));
```

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## Sorting

### The sorting task:

- Input: an array of values, e.g. (5,2,10,8,5)
- Output: a sorted array, e.g. (2,5,5,8,10)
- The values can be any object whose data type has an order
- Sorting is a common computational task:
  - Sort your contacts list
  - Sort pages by their pageRank
  - Sorting before searching

We will show one sorting algorithm, applied to integers

### Later in the course:

- More sorting algorithms
- Java implementations designed to sort any type data.



## Selection sort

### Pseudo code:

```
n = array.length - 1  
  
step 0:  
    k = index of the maximum in the range 0 ... n  
    switch a[k] with a[n]  
  
step 1:  
    k = index of the maximum in the range 0 ... n-1  
    switch a[k] with a[n-1]  
  
step j:  
    k = index of the maximum in the range 0 ... n-j  
    switch a[k] with a[n-j]
```

### Basic idea:

In the  $j$ th step, find the  $j$ th largest number and put it in the  $n-j$  location of the array.

Unsorted:	3	10	4	8	15	1	7	4
Step 0:	3	10	4	8	4	1	7	15
Step 1:	3	7	4	8	4	1	10	15
Step 2:	3	7	4	1	4	8	10	15

Etc.

Sorting animation: <http://www.sorting-algorithms.com/insertion-sort>

## Selection sort

```
public class SelectionSort {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        int[] data = {3, 10, 4, 6, 15, 1, 7, 4};  
        sort(data);  
        for (int d : data)  
            System.out.println(d);  
    }  
  
    // Returns a sorted array (in-place),  
    // using selection sort.  
    private static void sort (int[] a) {  
        for (int j = 0, n = a.length; j < n; j++) {  
            // find index of maximal element in a[0]...[n-j]  
            int k = 0;  
            for (int i = 1; i < n-j; i++)  
                if (a[i] > a[k])  
                    k = i;  
            // switch  
            {int temp=a[n-j-1]; a[n-j-1]=a[k]; a[k]=temp;}  
        }  
    }  
}
```

### In-place sorting:

The variable `data` holds a reference to the array's values.

It's an object variable; when we pass it to the sorting method, the passing mode is "by reference"

Therefore, the method has read/write access to the array values

### Best practice advice:

Such methods are said to have "side effects", and must be used with great caution.

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## Selection sort

```
// Methods for processing arrays of integers.  
public class IntArrays {  
  
    // Returns true if a contains zero and false otherwise  
    public static boolean containsZero (int[] a)  
  
    // Returns the sum of the values in the array  
    public static int sum (int[] a)  
  
    // Returns the array, sorted.  
    // SIDE EFFECT: this method changes the array!  
    public static void sort (int[] a)  
  
    // More array processing methods  
}
```

It would make sense to put the sort method in the "IntArrays" class.

This way, any class will be able to use its sorting services.

```
class SomeClass {  
    ...  
    int[] data = {3, 10, 4, 6, 15, 1, 7, 4};  
    IntArrays.sort(data);  
    for (int d : data)  
        System.out.println(d);  
}
```

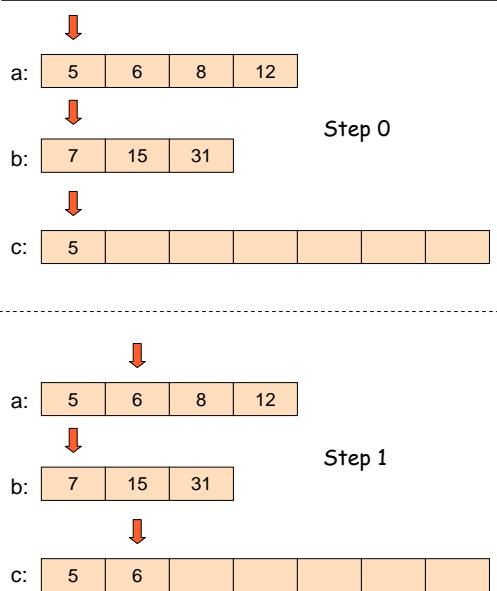
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## Merging



**Input:** sorted arrays a and b  
**Output:** merged and sorted array c  
**Algorithm (informal):**

```
int[] c = new int[a.length + b.length]
int i = j = k = 0
In each step:
    if (a[i] < b[j])
        c[k++] = a[i++]
    else
        c[k++] = b[j++]
```