

Topics: Review of OOP concepts, parameter passing, one-dimensional array

Reading (JV): Sec 6.1, “Selection Sort” in Sec 6.3

OOP ideas

- An object has *variables* (characteristics) and *methods* (behaviors). These are *instance variables* and *methods*.
- A class definition is the “blue print” or “plan” for making objects. Characteristics and behaviors that don’t logically belong to each object but relates to the entire collection of objects are *class variables* and *methods*. Keyword: **static**
- An object is *an instance* of a class
 - ⇒ the class \neq the object
 - ⇒ defining a class \neq creating the object
- Use keyword **new** to create an object
- An object is *referenced*, not stored *in* a variable
- Methods perform action. An *instance method* executes from (on) a particular instance.
- Method headers are “contracts” between the programmer and the user. Knowing the method header allows the user to *use* the method without knowing how the method actually works.
- Encapsulation:
 - Protect data
 - Hide details from clients
 - Keyword: **private**

Why doesn’t this swap work?

```
/* Try to swap two values */
public class BadSwap {
    public static void main(String[] args){
        int x = Keyboard.readInt(); int y = Keyboard.readInt();
        swap(x,y);
    }
    public static void swap(int x, int y) {
        int tmp;
        tmp = x;
        x = y;
        y = tmp;
    }
} //class BadSwap
```

Arrays

- Arrays are objects. An array is an ordered list of values (or objects) of one type
- The entire array has one name (identifier)
- Each element in the array has an integer index (begins at 0)
- An array of size N is indexed from 0 to $N-1$

Array declaration and construction

- Declaration syntax: ***type[] identifier;***
 Examples:


```
int[] counts;
double[] price;
String[] names;
Room[] caves; // assuming a Room class has been defined
```

- Instantiation syntax: **new type[size]**
size is an integer
Example:

```
new int[4]
```
- Declaration and instantiation

```
int limit = 4;
double[] price;           // declaration
price = new double[limit]; // instantiation and assignment
```

Index operator []

The expression **identifier[integer_expression]** accesses an element in the array referred to by **identifier**

Examples:

```
int[] freq = new int[101]; // declaration & instantiation
freq[9+70] = 17; // set freq[79] to 1 (freq[79] is the 80th element in freq)
int grade = 79;
freq[grade] = freq[grade] + 1;
freq[grade]++;
```

In the example above, the expression **freq[2]** represents an integer and can be used anywhere an **int** variable can be used.

The size of an array is held in the constant **length**. **length** is *automatically* defined when an array is created and *cannot be changed*. In the above example, the expression **freq.length** gives the size of the array **freq**.

Pattern for processing an array

```
// assume an array has been created and is referred to by variable arr
for (i=0; i<arr.length; i++) {
    // perform some process (on arr[i])
}
```

Sorting

- Arrange elements in a list by some specified order
- Sort “in-place” means sort without using extra memory space for holding another copy of the array
- There are many sorting algorithms: *selection sort*, *insertion sort*, *bubble sort*, etc.

Template for selection sort (ascending order)

```
// loop from first to second last element

// find index of minimum value _____

// swap ith element with minimum value
```