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• Array Definitions

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#### "C How to Program", Paul Deitel and Harvey Deitel

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- data structure consisting of related data items of the same type
  - a group of memory locations
  - each has the same <u>name</u> and the same <u>type</u>
  - each can be referred by the name and the position number

- the 1st element of array a ..... a[0]
  the 2nd element of array a .... a[1]
- the 3rd element of array a ..... a[2]
- the i-th element of array a ..... a[ i-1 ]
- read access c = a[i]
- write access a[i] = 1000

• the position number contained within the square brackets

- o positive integer : a[9], a[200]
- integer expression : a[i\*2+1] (variable length arrays)

- actually considered as an operator
- has the same precedence level as the function call operator
- ++a[1], a[1]--
- &a[1], \*a[1]
- a[1].x, a[1]->y

- arrays occupy space in memory
- must specify
  - the type of each element
  - the number of elements
- int a[10];
  - integer type elements
  - there are 10 integer elements
- char a[10];
  - character type elements
  - there are 10 character elements
  - an array of type character is used to store a character string

- { comma separated lists of initializers }
- when there are fewer initializers than the elements in an array the remaining elementes are initialized with zero
- therefore, {0} initializes the 1st element with zero the remaining elements with zero thus, all elements with zero

- global variables are initialized with zero by default
- local variables must be explicitly initialized

- the array size can be omitted with an array initializer the array size will be set to the number of elements in the initilizer list int a[] = {1, 2, 3}; int a[3] = {1, 2, 3};
- variable length arrays
  - the array size can be an expression containing a variable
  - but it must be resolved into an integer value before reaching the array definition int n=5; int a[n]; in a[n], n has the integer value of 5
- no array bound checking while accesing

static arrays : statically allocated arrays

- allocated at the compile-time
- stored on stack

automatic storage class (without a explicit static)

- stored on .bss or .data static storage class (with a explicit static)
- Ø dynamic arrays : dynamically/ allocated arrays
  - allocated at the run-time
  - stored on heap

static storage class (without a explicit static) the lifetime of a program

- de-allocate, resize possible
- malloc(), calloc(), free(),realloc()

	static arrays	static arrays	dynamic arrays
storage	automatic	static	static
memory	stack	.bss or .data	heap
specifier	(non-static)	(static)	(non-static)
allocation	compile-time	compie-time	run-time
resize	impossible	impossible	possible
	fixed size	fixed size	dynamic size

- C99 allows variable length arrays
- The term "static" has multiple meanings.

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### fixed length arrays

- the array size must be determined at the compile-time
- resize is not possible
- variable length arrays
  - the array size can be determined at the rum-time
  - resize is not possible
- Optimization of the second second
  - either at the compile-time or run-time
  - resize is possible

	fixed length	variable length	dynamic arrays
allocation	compile-time	run-time	run-time
resize	impossible	impossible	possible

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## Dynamic Memory Allocation Examples (1)

- using <stdlib.h>
- scanf("%d", &n);
  - the size of array is determined after running the program
- p = malloc( n \* sizeof(int) ) ;
  - n \* sizeof(int) bytes of memory allocation
  - malloc returns the start address of the allocated memory
  - n integer items (int)
  - p must be a type of (int \*)
- q = realloc( p, 2\*n ) ;
  - p points to the original allocated arrays
  - the array size is doubled : 2\*n
  - returns the same type of a pointer (int \*)

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
                                         q = realloc(p, 2*n);
int main(void) {
                                         for (i=n; i<2*n; ++i) q[i] = i*100;</pre>
  int i =5, n;
  int *p, *q;
                                         for (i=0; i<2*n; ++i)
                                           printf("%d ", q[i]);
 n = 3; printf("n=%d\n", n);
                                         printf("\n");
  p = malloc( n * sizeof(int) );
                                       }
  for (i=0; i<n; ++i) p[i] = i;</pre>
                                       _ _ _
                                       n=3
  for (i=0: i<n: ++i)</pre>
                                       0 1 2
    printf("%d ", p[i]);
                                       0 1 2 300 400 500
  printf("\n");
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# Static (Storage) Array

- static arrays : statically allocated arrays
- Static arrays : static storage class array
  - a static local variable exists for the duration of the program
  - a static local array does the same
    - the array does not have to be created and intialized each time the function is called
    - the array is not destroyed each time the function is exited
    - this reduces the execution time for large local arrays of a frequently called function
  - these variables and arrays are automatically initialized to zero at the program startup unless an initializer is given

- use an array of type char to store a character string
- a string such as "hello" is stored as an array of characters
- every string contains a special string-termination character
  - null character ('\0')
- can access individual characters in a string directly using array subscript notation
- a string can be printed with the %s conversion specifier

- a character array can be initialized with a string literal if the size is omitted, it is determined by the length of the string char s[] = "hello";
- without an initialization string literal, the array size must be large enough to hold all characters and the null character char s[5+1] = "hello";
- can be initialized with individual characters in an initializer list char s[5+1] = { 'h', 'e', 'l', 'l', 'o', '\0' };

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