

# Building Java Programs

Chapter 15  
ArrayList

**reading: 15.1**

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# Context for CSE 143

## CSE 142

- Control: loops, if/else, methods, parameters, returns
- I/O: Scanners, user input, files
- Data: primitive types (int, double, etc.), *arrays, classes*

## CSE 143

- Control: recursion
- Data
  - Java collections
  - Classes + Object Oriented Programming
- Best of CS

# Road Map

## CS Concepts

- Client/Implementer
- Efficiency
- Recursion
- Regular Expressions
- Grammars
- Sorting
- Backtracking
- Hashing
- Huffman Compression

## Data Structures

- Lists
- Stacks
- Queues
- Sets
- Maps
- Priority Queues

## Java Language

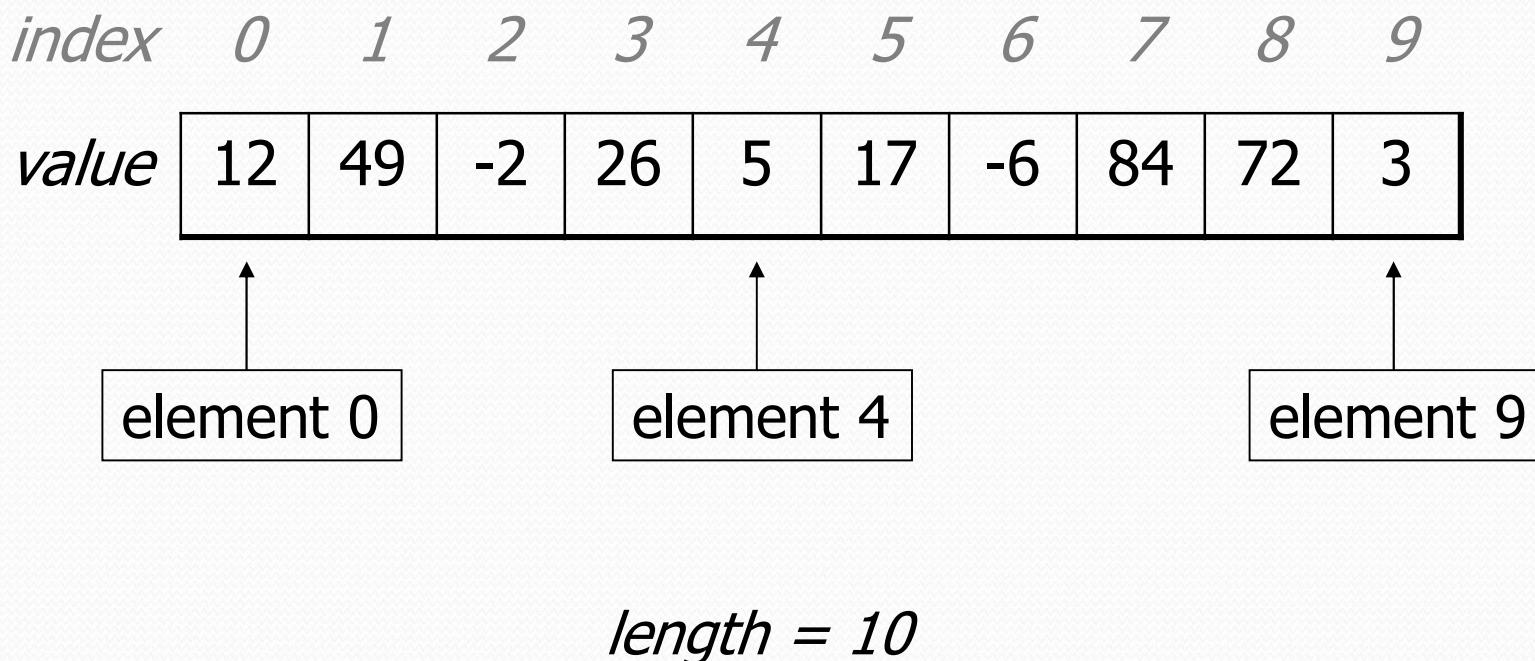
- Exceptions
- Interfaces
- References
- Generics
- Comparable
- Inheritance/Polymorphism
- Abstract Classes

## Java Collections

- Arrays
- ArrayList
- LinkedList
- Stack
- TreeSet / TreeMap
- HashSet / HashMap
- PriorityQueue

# Recall: Arrays (7.1)

- **array**: object that stores many values of the same type.
  - **element**: One value in an array.
  - **index**: 0-based integer to access an element from an array.
  - **length**: Number of elements in the array.



# Array Limitations

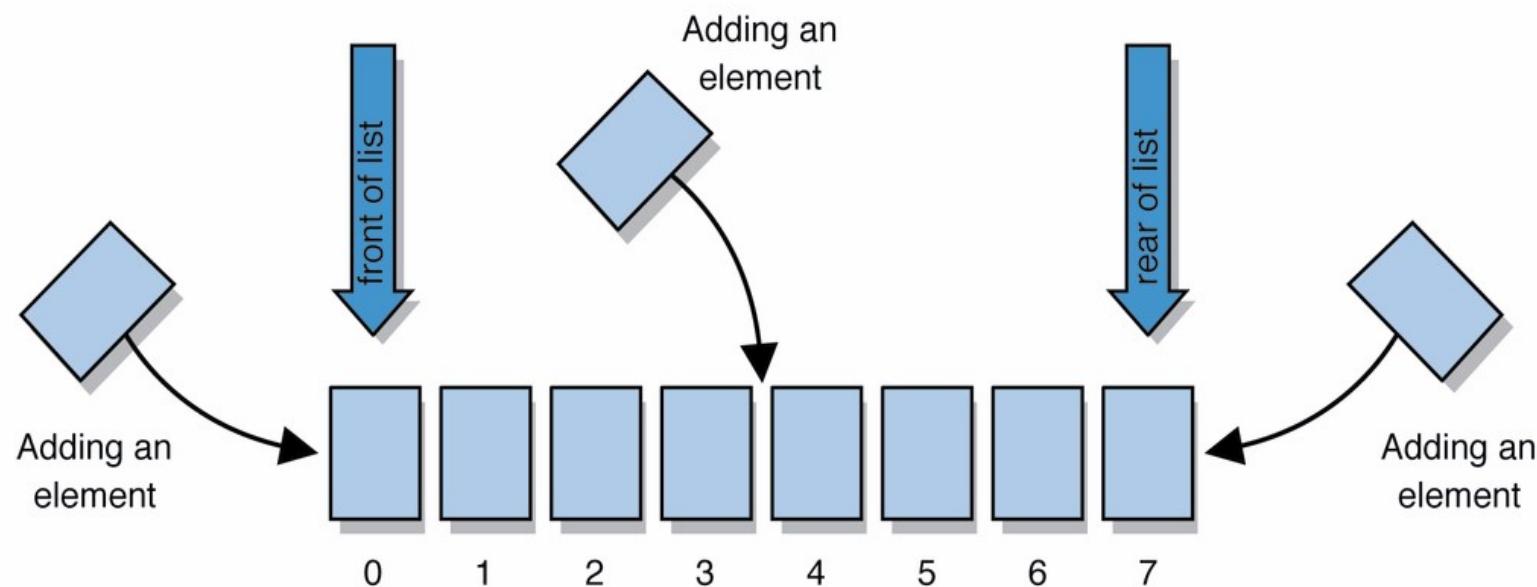
- Fixed-size
- Adding or removing from middle is hard
- Not much built-in functionality (need Arrays class)

# Collections

- **collection:** an object that stores data; a.k.a. "data structure"
  - the objects stored are called **elements**
  - some collections maintain an ordering; some allow duplicates
  - typical operations: *add, remove, clear, contains* (search), *size*
  - examples found in the Java class libraries:  
(covered in this course!)
    - `ArrayList`, `LinkedList`, `HashMap`, `TreeSet`, `PriorityQueue`
  - all collections are in the `java.util` package  
`import java.util.*;`

# Lists

- **list:** a collection of elements with 0-based **indexes**
  - elements can be added to the front, back, or elsewhere
  - a list has a **size** (number of elements that have been added)
  - This is just a high level idea, haven't said how to do it in Java



# List Abstraction

- Like an array that resizes to fit its contents.
- When a list is created, it is initially empty.

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- Use `add` methods to add to different locations in list

`[hello, ABC, goodbye, okay]`

- The list object keeps track of the element values that have been added to it, their order, indexes, and its total size.
- You can add, remove, get, set, ... any index at any time.

# ArrayList

```
ArrayList<Type> name = new ArrayList<Type>();
```

- When constructing an ArrayList, you must specify the type of its elements in <>
  - This is called a *type parameter* ; ArrayList is a *generic class*.
  - Allows the ArrayList class to store lists of different types.
  - Arrays use a similar idea with Type[]

```
ArrayList<String> names = new ArrayList<String>();  
names.add("Marty Stepp");  
names.add("Stuart Reges");
```

# ArrayList methods (10.1)\*

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|--|--|
| add ( <b>value</b> )                   | appends value at end of list   |
| add ( <b>index</b> ,<br><b>value</b> ) | inserts given value just before the given index, shifting subsequent values to the right |
| clear ()                               | removes all elements of the list   |
| indexOf ( <b>value</b> )               | returns first index where given value is found in list (-1 if not found)                 |
| get ( <b>index</b> )                   | returns the value at given index   |
| remove ( <b>index</b> )                | removes/returns value at given index, shifting subsequent values to the left             |
| set ( <b>index</b> ,<br><b>value</b> ) | replaces value at given index with given value   |
| size ()                                | returns the number of elements in list   |
| toString ()                            | returns a string representation of the list such as "[ 3, 42, -7, 15 ]"                  |

# ArrayList vs. array

- construction

```
String[] names = new String[5];  
ArrayList<String> list = new ArrayList<String>();
```

- storing a value

```
names[0] = "Jessica";  
list.add("Jessica");
```

- retrieving a value

```
String s = names[0];  
String s = list.get(0);
```

# ArrayList vs. array

```
String[] names = new String[5];                                // construct
names[0] = "Jessica";                                         // store
String s = names[0];                                           // retrieve
for (int i = 0; i < names.length; i++) {
    if (names[i].startsWith("B")) { ... }
}
// iterate
```

```
ArrayList<String> list = new ArrayList<String>();
list.add("Jessica");                                         // store
String s = list.get(0);                                         // retrieve
for (int i = 0; i < list.size(); i++) {
    if (list.get(i).startsWith("B")) { ... }
}
// iterate
```



- Suppose we had the following method:

```
// Returns count of plural words in the given list.  
public static int removePlural(ArrayList<String> list) {  
    for (int i = 0; i < list.size(); i++) {  
        String str = list.get(i);  
        if (str.endsWith("s")) {  
            list.remove(i);  
        }  
    }  
}
```

- What would the output be after the method call?

```
ArrayList<String> list = ...; // [a, bs, c, ds, es, f]  
removePlural(list);  
System.out.println(list);
```