

Creative Programming

Arrays and Functions

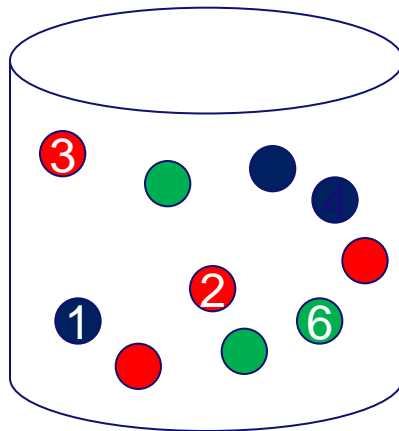
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Arrays Intro

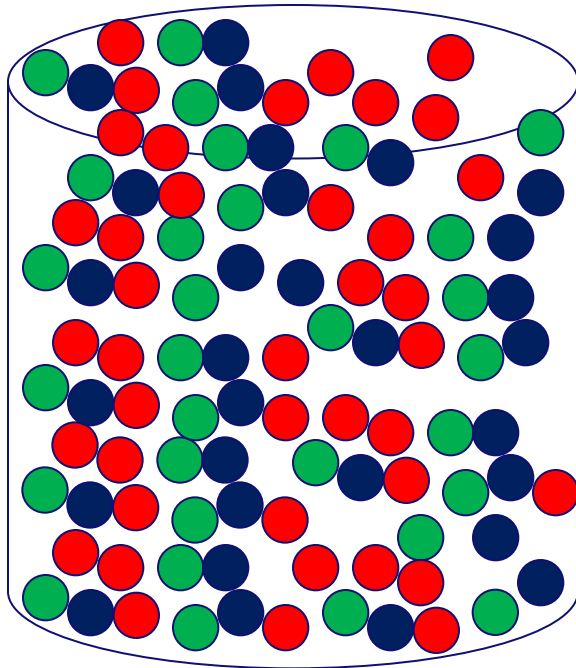
- **Suppose you want to model a bag of 10 balls**
- **Each ball is either red (0) or blue (1) or green (2)**



```
int ball1 = 0;  
int ball2 = 1;  
...  
int ball10 = 2;
```

Arrays Intro

- Now you want to do the same for 100 balls...



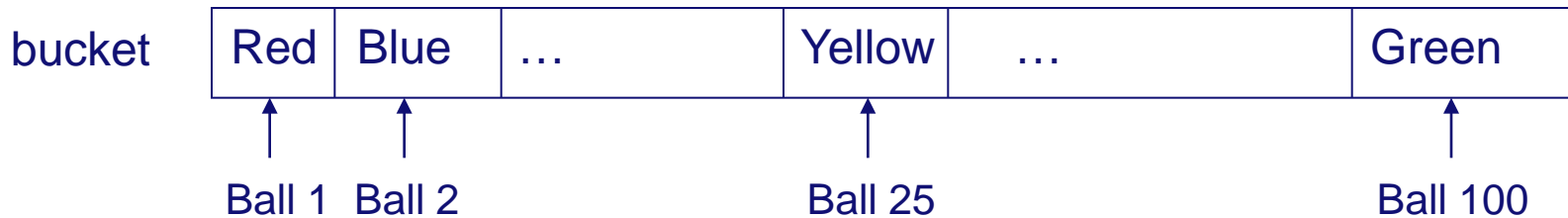
```
int ball1 = 0;  
int ball2 = 1;  
...  
int ball100 = 2;
```

} 100 variables...

- Now you want to do the same for 1000 balls...

Arrays Intro

- One variable to store them all
- Look at it this way:



- Compare to a desk with multiple drawers

Arrays: general idea

- **A variable that is used as a container of variables**
 - Like the bucket of balls
- **Can *hold multiple* values of the *same* type**
- **Access through indexing**
 - `bucket[1] = 0;`
 - `bucket[20] = 2;`
- **Can be of any size***

* But it *is* limited to 2147483647 elements because of indexing with variable of type int and amount of memory

Arrays : types and size

- **Declaration:**

```
int[] bucket;
```

holds ints only!!

reserves space for object

- **Initialization:**

```
bucket = new int[100];
```

holding 100 int's

- **Combining declaration and initialization:**

```
int[] speeds = {56, 34, 93, 120, 5, 54};
```

```
float[] ySpeed = new float[100];
```

```
String[] threeNames = {"Jun", "Loe", "Peter"};
```

Arrays: indexing

- **Index starts counting at “0” !!!!!**
`int firstElement = speeds[0];`
- **length property = actual number of items in the array**
`int len = speeds.length;`
- **Last element is: `speeds[speeds.length-1]`**
- **Runtime error when you go out of range (try it!)**

Looping over an array

```
String[]  
firstNames={"Rene","Loe","Sjriek","Peter"};  
  
for(int i=0; i<=firstNames.length; i++){  
    println(firstNames[i]);  
}
```

Results in?



Examples



Circles



Lots of circles



Sortingcircles

Functions

The background image shows a campus scene with a large yellow sculpture of a hand holding a pen. People are walking on a path, and there are trees and a building in the background. The image is partially obscured by a semi-transparent orange overlay on the left side.

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Functions by example

```
int v1, v2, v3, v4, m1, m2, max;
```

```
v1 = 20; v2 = 7; v3 = -1; v4 = 3;
```

```
if (v1 > v2) m1 = v1; else m1 = v2;
```

```
if (v3 > v4) m2 = v3; else m2 = v4;
```

```
if (m1 > m2) max = m1; else max = m2;
```

```
println(max);
```

```
m1 = myMax(v1, v2);
```

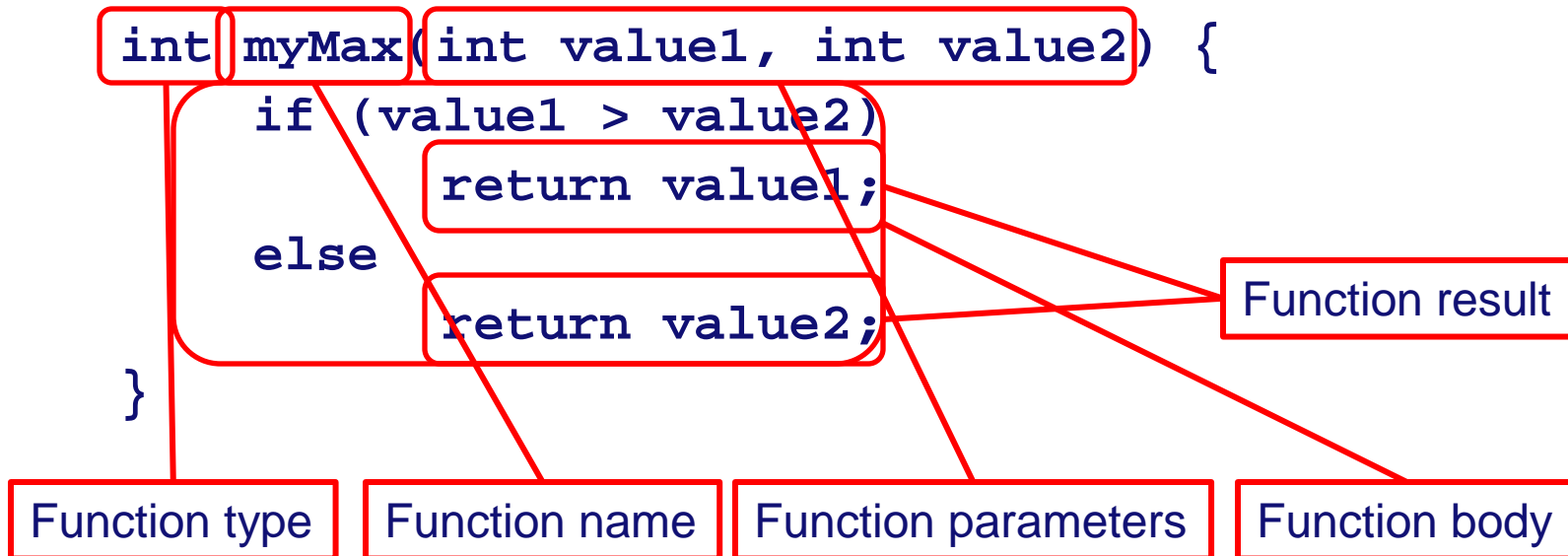
```
m2 = myMax(v3, v4);
```

```
max = myMax(m1, m2);
```



Functions: when, why?

- Functions are reusable blocks of code
- Functions add structure to your program



Functions: how, what?

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```
m1 = myMax(v1,v2);
```

```
m2 = myMax(v3,v4);
```

```
max = myMax(m1,m2);
```

```
println(max);
```

or

```
println( myMax( myMax(v1,v2), myMax(v3,v4) ) );
```



Functions: Another example

```
void setup(){  
  size(400, 400);  
  background(255);  
  for(int i=0; i<100; i++){  
    rect(  
      int(random(width)), int(random(height)),  
      random(200), random(200)  
    );  
  }  
}
```

Predefined function

- What will happen?



Functions: parameters & arguments

- Parameters passed should match definition of function

```
void myFunction(int x, int y){}
void myFunction(int x, int y, int z){}
void myFunction(float x, float y, float z){}
```

```
myFunction(2, 5);
myFunction(2, 5, 7);
myFunction(2.0, 3.4, 2.33);
```



What does myFunction DO???

Functions: return

- Each function that has a return type other than void *must* return using a return statement

```
int sum;
int computeSum(int x1,int x2,int x3){
    // you could do all sorts of stuff
    // with x1, x2 and x3 before the return
    return x1+x2+x3;
}
sum = computeSum(4,5,6);
```


Summary Arrays and Functions

- **Arrays:**
 - **Collection of similar data objects**
 - **Access via indexing 0..length-1**
- **Functions:**
 - **Grouping of statements that perform a function**
 - **Efficient by avoiding duplicate code**
 - **Frees you from writing linear code**
 - **Enable you to think more abstract**

Homework

- **Write a program that displays a static grid of 4x4 rectangles, filled with different colors (randomized at program startup), that outputs the hexadecimal color value of the rectangle where the mouse is clicked. Use an array to hold the rectangle color values.**

Homework ctd.

- **Create functions:**

```
String toHex(int i) {  
    // converts int i to hexadecimal string  
}
```

```
boolean insideRect(int x, int y, int w, int h) {  
    // returns true if mouse inside rectangle  
    // bounded by coordinates (x,y) and (x+w,y+h)  
}
```

