## Class 20

2D Arrays

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- An array is like a row of boxes

- A 2D array is like rows of boxes stacked on top of each other

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- Think of 2D arrays as an "array of arrays"
- A 2D array can be considered as a table, with rows and columns
- All elements in a 2D array must be of the same type, just as with 1D arrays


## Notation

- Declaration
- data_type array_name[rows][columns]
- Initialization
- data_type array_name[rows][columns] = \{\{initialize row_1\}, \{initialize row_2\}, ..., \{initialize row_n\}\}
- Reference an individual array element
- array_name[row_no][col_no]


## Process 2D arrays

- For 1D arrays, process elements using loop
- For 2D arrays, process elements using nested loops
- Sometimes we process row by row, sometimes column by column



## Example 1

- Declare and initialize 2D array
- Determine which row has the largest sum
- Plan:
- Declare variables for maxSum and maxRow
- Initial value for maxSum should be a sum of one of the rows
- Iterate through 2D array row by row, summing the elements in each row
- After summing a row, compare that row's sum to maxSum
- If maxSum < rowSum, update maxSum and maxRow to current sum and row values


## Example 2

- Compute average value stored in each row of a 2D array
- Plan:
- Declare 1D array called average with same number of boxes as rows in the 2D array
- Iterate through each row of the 2D array, adding that row's elements into a sum variable
- After summing the row, divide the sum by the number of elements in the row and store the average for that row in average[r]


## Example 3

- Determine which column of a 2D array has the largest value
- Plan:
- Declare variables for maxSum and maxCol
- Initial value for maxSum should be a sum of one of the columns
- Iterate through 2D array column by column, summing the elements in each column
- After summing a column, compare that column's sum to maxSum
- If maxSum < colSum, update maxSum and maxCol to current sum and col values

