

2-D Arrays in C

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Two Dimensional Arrays

- We have seen that an array variable can store a list of values.
- Many applications require us to store a **table** of values.

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Student 1	75	82	90	65	76
Student 2	68	75	80	70	72
Student 3	88	74	85	76	80
Student 4	50	65	68	40	70

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- The table contains a total of 20 values, five in each line.
 - The table can be regarded as a **matrix** consisting of *four rows* and *five columns*.
- C allows us to define such tables of items by using *two-dimensional* arrays.

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Declaring 2-D Arrays

- General form:
`type array_name[row_size][column_size];`
- Examples:
`int marks[4][5];`
`float sales[12][25];`
`double matrix[100][100];`

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Accessing Elements of a 2-D Array

- Similar to that for 1-D array, but use two indices.
 - First indicates row, second indicates column.
 - Both the indices should be expressions which evaluate to *integer values*.
- Examples:


```
x[m][n] = 0;
c[i][k] += a[i][j] * b[j][k];
val = sqrt (a[j*3][k]);
```

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How is a 2-D array is stored in memory?

- Starting from a given memory location, the elements are stored *row-wise* in consecutive memory locations.
 - x: starting address of the array in memory
 - c: number of columns
 - k: number of bytes allocated per array element

Element **a[i][j]** :: allocated memory location at address **$x + (i * c + j) * k$**

a[0][0]	a[0][1]	a[0][2]	a[0][3]	a[1][0]	a[1][1]	a[1][2]	a[1][3]	a[2][0]	a[2][1]	a[2][2]	a[2][3]
Row 0				Row 1				Row 2			

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How to read the elements of a 2-D array of size *nrow*×*ncol*?

- By reading them one element at a time

```
for (i=0; i<nrow; i++)
    for (j=0; j<ncol; j++)
        scanf ("%f", &a[i][j]);
```

- The ampersand (&) is necessary.
- The elements can be entered all in one line or in different lines.

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How to print the elements of a 2-D array?

- By printing them one element at a time.

```
for (i=0; i<nrow; i++)
    for (j=0; j<ncol; j++)
        printf ("\n %f", a[i][j]);
```

- The elements are printed one per line.

```
for (i=0; i<nrow; i++)
    for (j=0; j<ncol; j++)
        printf ("%f", a[i][j]);
```

- The elements are all printed on the same line.

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Contd.

```
for (i=0; i<nrow; i++)
{
    printf ("\n");
    for (j=0; j<ncol; j++)
        printf ("%f  ", a[i][j]);
}
```

– The elements are printed nicely in matrix form.

- How to print two matrices side by side?

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- Printing two matrices A and B of sizes $m \times n$ each side by side.

```
for (i=0; i<m; i++)
{
    printf ("\n");
    for (j=0; j<n; j++)
        printf ("%f  ", A[i][j]);
    printf ("      ");
    for (j=0; j<n; j++)
        printf ("%f  ", B[i][j]);
}
```

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Example: Matrix Addition

```
#include <stdio.h>

main()
{
    int a[100][100], b[100][100],
        c[100][100], p, q, m, n;

    scanf ("%d %d", &m, &n);

    for (p=0; p<m; p++)
        for (q=0; q<n; q++)
            scanf ("%d", &a[p][q]);

    for (p=0; p<m; p++)
        for (q=0; q<n; q++)
            scanf ("%d", &b[p][q]);
```

```
    for (p=0; p<m; p++)
        for (q=0; q<n; q++)
            c[p][q] = a[p][q] + b[p][q];

    for (p=0; p<m; p++)
    {
        printf ("\n");
        for (q=0; q<n; q++)
            printf ("%f ", c[p][q]);
    }
}
```

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Passing 2-D Arrays

- Similar to that for 1-D arrays.
 - The array contents are not copied into the function.
 - Rather, the address of the first element is passed.
- For calculating the address of an element in a 2-D array, we need:
 - The starting address of the array in memory.
 - Number of bytes per element.
 - Number of columns in the array.
- The above three pieces of information must be known to the function.

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Example Usage

```
#include <stdio.h>

main()
{
    int a[15][25], b[15][25];
    :
    :
    add (a, b, 15, 25);
    :
}
```

```
void add (x,y,rows,cols)
int x[][25], y[][25];
int rows, cols;
{
    :
}
```

We can also write
int x[15][25], y[15][25];

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Example: Transpose of a matrix

```
#include <stdio.h>

void transpose (x, n)
int x[][3], n;
{
    int p, q, t;
    for (p=0; p<n; p++)
        for (q=0; q<n; q++)
        {
            t = x[p][q];
            x[p][q] = x[q][p];
            x[q][p] = t;
        }
}
```

```
main()
{
    int a[3][3], p, q;
    for (p=0; p<3; p++)
        for (q=0; q<3; q++)
            scanf ("%d", &a[p][q]);
    transpose (a, 3);
    for (p=0; p<3; p++)
    {
        printf ("\n");
        for (q=0; q<3; q++)
            printf ("%d ", a[p][q]);
    }
}
```

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Is the function correct?

10 20 30

40 50 60

70 80 90



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70 80 90

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The Correct Version

```
void transpose (x, n)
int x[][3], n;
{
    int p, q, t;
    for (p=0; p<n; p++)
        for (q=0; q<n; q++)
        {
            t = x[p][q];
            x[p][q] = x[q][p];
            x[q][p] = t;
        }
}
```

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Some Exercise Problems to Try Out

1. A shop stores n different types of items. Given the number of items of each type sold during a given month, and the corresponding unit prices, compute the total monthly sales.
2. Multiple two matrices of orders $m \times n$ and $n \times p$ respectively.