

Arrays

Hsuan-Tien Lin

Dept. of CSIE, NTU

March 5, 2013

Arrays: from Implementation to Abstraction

C++ Implementation View

(One-dimensional) array is **a block of consecutive memory** that

- holds a list of N elements
- allows users to **get** the k -th element
- allows users to **put** to the k -th location
- “constant” time to **construct** (`malloc`, `new`)
- nothing much to **maintain**

An Abstract View

Abstract (one-dimensional) array

- holds a list of N elements
- allows users to get the k -th element
- allows users to put to the k -th location
- construction and maintenance?

dense implementation of the abstract array

```
1 int dense[10] = {1, 3, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 2};
```

- dense array: store everything (consecutively), needs 10 positions
 - space: $N * (elem.size)$ for a length- N array
 - get: constant
 - put: constant
 - construct: constant

YOUR MEMORY

- pointer: index to the array location
- type of pointer: # bytes (consecutive slots) to be fetched

Sparse Array

```
1 int dense[10] = {1, 3, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 2};  
2 int sparse[3][2] = {{0, 1}, {1, 3}, {9, 2}};
```

- sparse array: store only non-zero (index, element) pairs, needs 3 pairs
 - space: $E * (indexsize + elem.size)$ for E elements, better than $N * (elem.size)$ if E small
 - get: ordered — ???; non-ordered — ???
 - put: ???
 - construct: ???

note: often use **array** to mean dense array only

STL Vector: A Dense Array that Dynamically Grows

learn about its use now (very useful),
discuss about the actual implementation later

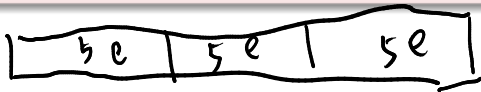
2-D Array: by 1-D Array

abstract rectangular 2-D array

- object specification: $(index, element)$ pairs with $index \in \{(0, 0), (0, 1), \dots, (N - 1, M - 1)\}$
- action specification:
 $get(index)$; $put(index, element)$; $construct(N, M)$, etc.

2-D array by 1-D array in C

- object representation: a block of consecutive memory of size $N * M$, with a chunk representing each $element$ for each $index$
- action implementation: 3×5



2-D Array by 1-D Array

```
1 #define N (100) // or "similarly" const int N = 100;
2 #define M (200)
3 int* twodim = new int [N*M];
4
5 int get(int* arr, int n, int m)
6     { return arr[n*M + m]; }
```


2-D Array: by 1-D Array with Constant Folding

abstract rectangular 2-D array

- object specification: $(index, element)$ pairs with $index \in \{(0, 0), (0, 1), \dots, (N - 1, M - 1)\}$
- action specification:
`get(index); put(index, element); construct(N, M), etc.`

2-D array by 1-D array with constant folding in C

- object representation: a block of consecutive memory of size $N * M$, with a chunk representing each *element* for each *index*
- action implementation:

2-D Array: by 1-D Array with Constant Folding

```
1 #define N (100)
2 #define M (200)
3 int twodim[N][M];
4
5 int get(int arr[][M], int n, int m)
6     { return arr[n][m];}
```

2-D Array: by Array of Arrays



abstract rectangular 2-D array

- object specification: $(index, element)$ pairs with $index \in \{(0, 0), (0, 1), \dots, (N - 1, M - 1)\}$
- action specification:
`get(index); put(index, element); construct(N, M), etc.`

2-D array by array of arrays in C

- object representation: N blocks of consecutive memory of size M
- action implementation:

2-D Array: by Array of Arrays

```
1 #define N (100)
2 #define M (200)
3 int** twodim = new int*[N];
4 for(int n=0;n<N;n++)
5     twodim[n] = new int[M];
6 int get(int** arr, int n, int m)
7     { return arr[n][m];}
```