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## Outline

## char, charAt()

- Command-line arguments and arrays
- Array access
- Array length
- Array update
- Integer.parseInt
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## Example: <br> GetChar.java

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> java Foo
> args: array of length 0
> No contents.

## Arrays

## Introduction

- Rarely do we deal with only one piece of data
- A program to compute grades would be designed to operate on an entire roster of students.
- Usually more than one number, string, object, etc. must be stored and processed
- Arrays are a way to collect similar pieces of data together in an ordered collection.


## Introduction

- Arrays are collections of ordered data stored contiguously in memory
- ordered is not the same as sorted
- You access individual elements in an array with an index
- Arrays are 0 -indexed: first element is at index 0 , the second at index $I$, etc.
- An array of size $n$ has the last element at index n - I


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## Example:

PrintFirstThreeArgs.java

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AKA an empty array.

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CreateArrayTwoElements1.java

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CreateArrayTwoElements2.java

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MethodPrintsFirstArrayElement.java

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MultiplyFirstTwoArgs.java

