


Programming with Arrays


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Outline

- Review array basics
 - Notation, declaration and minimum subscripts for 1D and 2D arrays
 - Using arrays in for loops and expressions
 - Arrays to and from worksheet
- Two-dimensional arrays
- Passing arrays to other procedures
- Getting cell data from worksheets to VBA array variables
- Programming assignment four



Semester Calendar


Date	Assignment	Date	Assignment
April 18	Assignment 4 Due	April 20	Quiz 4
April 25	Assignment 5 Due	April 27	
May 2	Quiz 5	May 4	
May 9	Assignment 6 Due	May 11	Programming Exam
		May 18	Final Exam 12:45 to 2:45 pm



Review VBA Arrays


Math	VBA
x_1	x(1)
x_2	x(2)
x_3	x(3)
x_4	x(4)
x_5	x(5)
x_6	x(6)

- Math notation, x_i , is replaced by VBA notation x(i)
 - Name for (i) is index or subscript
 - View this one-dimensional array as one row or one column of data
 - Must declare maximum array size




Review Declaring Arrays

- Use Dim with array size
 - Usual statement: Dim x As ...
 - Array statement: Dim x(<size>) As ...
 - May use <size> as <minimum> To <maximum> to specify minimum and maximum subscript for an individual array
 - <size> as a single number specifies the maximum subscript
 - In this case default <minimum> is normally zero
 - Can change default <minimum> to one with statement: Option Base 1



Review Using Array Data

- We can use individual array elements like any other programming variable
 - E = stress(3)/strain(3)
 - k = 3 : E = stress(k)/strain(k)
 - For k = 1 To N : sum = sum + x(k) : Next k
 - j = 2 : power(j) = current(j) * voltage(j)
 - Dim pressure(1 to 10) as Double
meanPressure = Application. _ Worksheetfunction.Average(pressure)



Review For Loops and Arrays

- A common application of arrays uses for loops to set elements in an array


```
For k = 1 To 10
    x(k) = cos(k*PI/10)
Next k
```
- Can sum all elements in an array


```
sum = x(1)
For k = 2 To NX
    sum = sum + x(k)
Next k
```

Review For Loops and Arrays II

- Process all data in a data set


```
For k = first To last
    power(k) = amps(k) * volts(k)
Next k
```
- Find mean of computed result


```
sumP = 0
For k = first To last
    sumP = sumP + amps(k) * volts(k)
Next k
meanP = sumP / (last - first + 1)
```

Review Two-dimensional Arrays

- View as two-dimensional table of data
- Row and column subscripts
- Must set both subscripts in Dim statement
 - Dim e(1 to 4, 1 To 6) As Double
 - Same default minimum index (0 or 1) as 1D

	I(1)	I(2)	I(3)	I(4)	I(5)	I(6)
V(1)	e(1,1)	e(1,2)	e(1,3)	e(1,4)	e(1,5)	e(1,6)
V(2)	e(2,1)	e(2,2)	e(2,3)	e(2,4)	e(2,5)	e(2,6)
V(3)	e(3,1)	e(3,2)	e(3,3)	e(3,4)	e(3,5)	e(3,6)
V(4)	e(4,1)	e(4,2)	e(4,3)	e(4,4)	e(4,5)	e(4,6)

Review For Loops/2D Arrays

- Two-way table from two-dimensional arrays and nested for loops
 - Need to define P(k) and T(j) arrays prior to executing this code


```
For k = 1 to 10
    For j = 1 to 20
        rho(i, j) = M*P(k) / (R*T(j))
    Next j
Next k
```

Review Worksheets and Arrays

- Can replace `x = Range("A1:T10").Value` by code below (using numbers only)


```
Const NX As Long = 10, NY As Long = 20
Dim row As Long, col As Long
Dim x(1 to NX, 1 To NY)
For row = 1 To NX
    For col = 1 To NY
        Cells(row, col).Value = x(row, col)
    Next col
Next row
```

Note use of Const for array bounds and for loop limits. Changes to NX or NY can be done by changing Const values.

Adjustable Size Arrays

- Usual statement, `Dim x(5) As ...`, assumes that we know the maximum size of the array when the program is written
- What if this is not the case?
- `Dim x(5) As ...` says three things
 - x is an array
 - The x array has one dimension
 - It's maximum subscript is 5
- When we do not know the size initially, we use `Dim()` without size!

Adjustable Size Arrays II

- The initial statement `Dim x() As ...` lets the compiler know that `x` is an array
 - When it sees `x` used as an array it will not mark it as an error and halt execution
 - When the program learns the size of the array, use a `ReDim` statement to set the size

```
Dim x() As Double, N As Long
N = InputBox("Enter Size: ")
ReDim x(1 To N)
```

The Mysterious Variant

- Type Variant Variables, declared as scalars, can be equated to an array
- They then become arrays
- Used for getting cell data to VBA

The screenshot shows the VBA Watch window for a sub procedure named `exercisel()`. The variable `e` is shown with a value of `Variant Array`. The code snippet shows `e = Range("B2:G5").Value` and `End Sub`. The Watch window shows the expression `e` with a value of `Variant Array` and a type of `Variant Array`.

The Mysterious Variant II

- Can use array created from variant like any other array
- Simple input/output example

```
Sub exercisel()
Dim e As Variant, N As Integer, M As Integer
e = Range("B2:G5").Value
N = InputBox("Enter 1 <= N <= 6")
M = InputBox("Enter 1 <= M <= 4")
MsgBox "E(" & M & ", " & N & ") = " & e(M, N)
End Sub
```

Three screenshots of Microsoft Excel dialog boxes. The first shows an input box for 'Enter 1 <= N <= 6'. The second shows an input box for 'Enter 1 <= M <= 4'. The third shows a message box with the text 'E(3, 5) = 0.91'.

One-dimensional Array Exercise

- Write the VBA code to create a current, `I`, and voltage, `V`, array from the worksheet data
 - Using only `Range.Value` (Use type variant.)
 - Using `Cells(<row>, <column>).Value`

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
1		I(1)	I(2)	I(3)	I(4)	I(5)	I(6)
2	V(1)	e(1,1)	e(1,2)	e(1,3)	e(1,4)	e(1,5)	e(1,6)
3	V(2)	e(2,1)	e(2,2)	e(2,3)	e(2,4)	e(2,5)	e(2,6)
4	V(3)	e(3,1)	e(3,2)	e(3,3)	e(3,4)	e(3,5)	e(3,6)
5	V(4)	e(4,1)	e(4,2)	e(4,3)	e(4,4)	e(4,5)	e(4,6)

Exercise Solution for Range

```
Sub exerciseA()
Dim I As Variant
Dim V As Variant
I = Range("B1: G1").Value
V = Range("A2: A5").Value
End Sub
```

The screenshot shows the VBA Watch window for the `exerciseA()` sub procedure. It shows the values of `I` and `V` as arrays. `I` contains values from cells B1 to G1, and `V` contains values from cells A2 to A5.

Setting a Variant to a single row or column gives a two-dimensional array

Exercise Solution for Cells

```
Sub exerciseB()
Dim I(1 to 6) As Double
Dim V(1 to 4) As Double
Dim k As Integer
For k = 1 To 6
I(k) = Cells(1, k+1).Value
Next k
For k = 1 To 4
V(k) = Cells(k+1, 1).Value
Next k
End Sub
```

The screenshot shows the VBA Watch window for the `exerciseB()` sub procedure. It shows the values of `I` and `V` as arrays. `I` contains values from cells B1 to G1, and `V` contains values from cells A2 to A5.

2D Array to VBA Exercise

- Write the VBA code to create a two-dimensional efficiency array, e, from the worksheet data
- Use Range.Value to get all data for e in a single statement. **What is the range for e? B2:G5**

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
1		I(1)	I(2)	I(3)	I(4)	I(5)	I(6)
2	V(1)	e(1,1)	e(1,2)	e(1,3)	e(1,4)	e(1,5)	e(1,6)
3	V(2)	e(2,1)	e(2,2)	e(2,3)	e(2,4)	e(2,5)	e(2,6)
4	V(3)	e(3,1)	e(3,2)	e(3,3)	e(3,4)	e(3,5)	e(3,6)
5	V(4)	e(4,1)	e(4,2)	e(4,3)	e(4,4)	e(4,5)	e(4,6)

Exercise Solution for Range

```
Sub exerciseC()
    Dim e As Variant
    e = Range("B2:G5").Value
End Sub
```

Here e is declared as a scalar variant, but becomes an array when set to a worksheet range

Expression	Value	Type
e		Variant/Variant(1 to 4, 1 to 6)
e(1)		Variant(1 to 6)
e(1,1)	0.75	Variant/Double
e(1,2)	0.73	Variant/Double
e(1,3)	0.54	Variant/Double
e(1,4)	0.9	Variant/Double
e(1,5)	0.84	Variant/Double
e(1,6)	0.6	Variant/Double
e(2)		Variant(1 to 6)
e(3)		Variant(1 to 6)
e(4)		Variant(1 to 6)

Programming Exercise 4

- For table of A/P formula as a function of i and n use a nested for loop over rows and columns
- Use Cells(row, column).Value = i / (1 - (1 + i) ^ (-n))
- Followed by Cells(row, column).NumberFormat = "0.000000"
- DO NOT USE Cells.Value = Format(i / (1 - (1 + i) ^ (-n)), "0.000000")

More Exercise Four

- See March 30 notes, slides 12-23 for both A/P and cosine calculations
- For cosine calculation convert input angle to equivalent value between $-\pi/2$ and $\pi/2$ as described in assignment
- Use maximum relative error of 10^{-12} for cosine calculation
- Due 11:59 pm on April 18
- Exercise 5 due 11:59 pm on April 25