

# **CSE 12:**

# **Basic data structures and object-oriented design**

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# Review from last lecture

- In computer science, all data must ultimately be represented as a binary sequence.
- Data structures are necessary to encode useful information in binary sequences.
- Data structures may vary in their time complexity, space complexity, and “code complexity” (human effort).

# Review from last lecture

- It is important to learn the fundamental data structures of computer science so you don't keep having to “rediscover the wheel”.
- The fundamental data structures covered in this course include: **lists, stacks, queues, heaps, trees, hash tables, and graphs.**

# Fundamental data structures

- 5 of these structures (list, stack, queue, heap, hash table) are useful as **collections** to support *add/find/remove* operations.
- In coarse English, a collection is useful if the programmer wants to “put data in it”, and later “pull data out of it.”
  - E.g., you’re writing a program to manage the financial aid of all UCSD students. You want “some structure” (collection) to hold all the `UCSDStudent` objects while the program is running -- you don’t want to manage the data yourself.

# Fundamental data structures

- Different collections have different time and space costs for the add/retrieve/remove operations.
- Which collection is best depends on which operations your code calls most often.

# Fundamental data structures

- 2 of these structures (tree, graph) are useful to represent connectivity relationships among data:
- Trees can represent hierarchical relationships (e.g., heredity).
- Graphs can represent arbitrary relationships between pairs of data (e.g., Facebook friends).

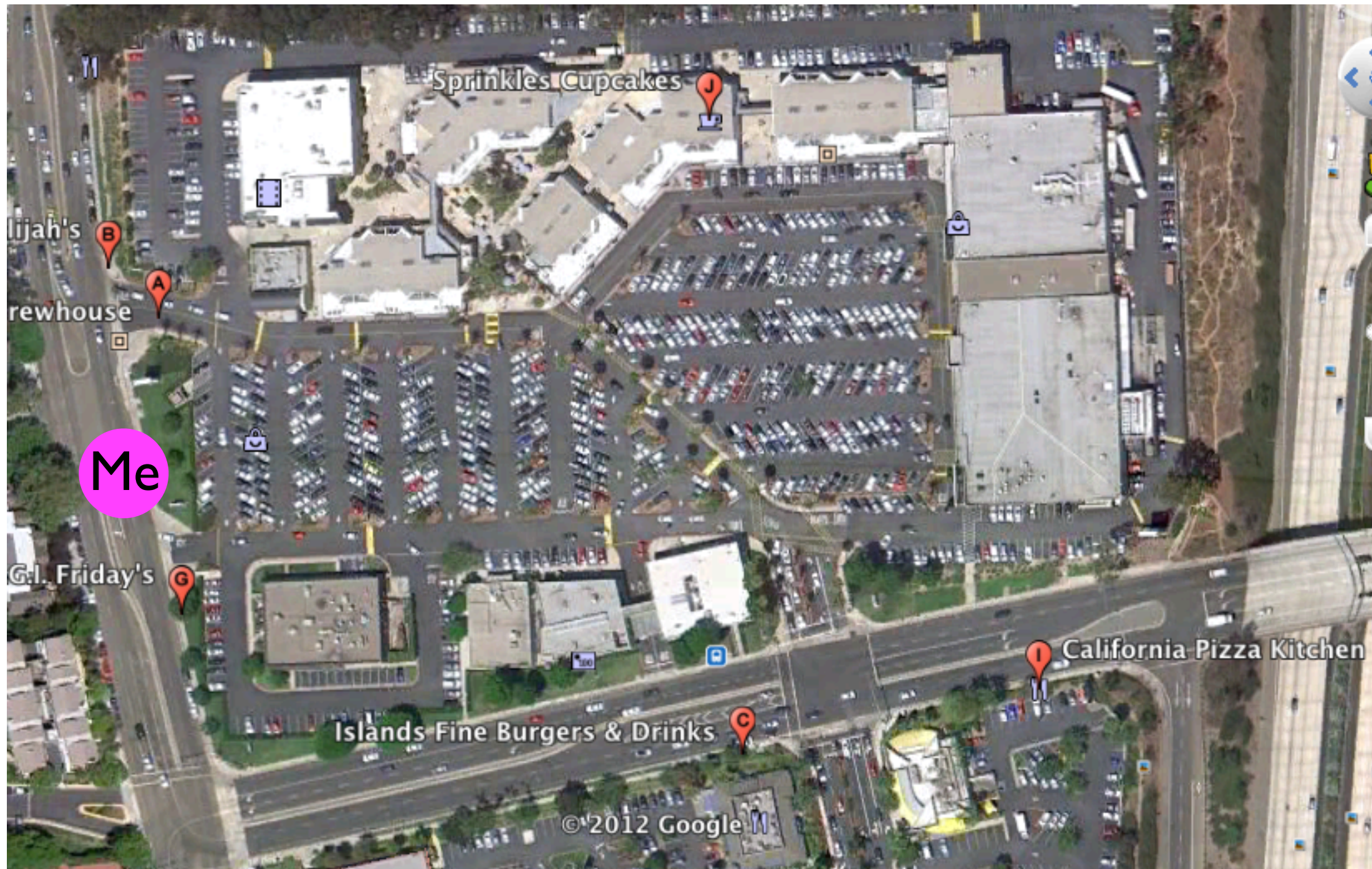
# Fundamental data structures

- In this course we will develop all of these data structures as Abstract Data Types (ADTs).
- In this lecture I hope to:
  - Explain abstraction from a computer system's perspective.
  - Motivate building data structures as ADTs.
  - Introduce our first ADT of the course: the **list**.



# Review of Unannounced Quiz 0

# Which markers are close to me?



# Unannounced Quiz 0

- Given:

```
class Location {
    // ...
}
class Marker {
    public boolean isCloseTo (Location location) {
        // ...
    }
}
```

# Unannounced Quiz 0

- Objective was to implement `GooglePlanet` method:

```
// Return an array of Marker objects that are
// "close to" the specified location.
Marker[] findLocalMarkers (Location location) {

}
```

# Unannounced Quiz 0

- Objective was to implement `GooglePlanet` method:

```
// Return an array of Marker objects that are
// "close to" the specified location.
Marker[] findLocalMarkers (Location location) {
    Create empty list localMarkers
    For each marker in _markers:
        If marker.isCloseTo(location):
            Add marker to localMarkers
    Return localMarkers
}
```

- In actual Java code, this becomes surprisingly tedious...



```

public Marker[] findLocalMarkers (Location location) {
    Marker[] localMarkers = new Marker[128]; // initialize to some small size
    int idx = 0;
    for (Marker marker : _markers) {
        if (marker.isCloseTo(location)) {
            if (idx == localMarkers.length) { // Array is full
                // Allocate a new array twice as big as the last one
                Marker[] newLocalMarkers = new Marker[2*localMarkers.length];
                // Copy the old array into the new array
                for (int i = 0; i < localMarkers.length; i++) {
                    newLocalMarkers[i] = localMarkers[i];
                }
                // Now, make localMarkers point to that *new* array -- the "old"
                // version of localMarkers will be swept away by the garbage collector.
                localMarkers = newLocalMarkers;
            }
            // Now, we know we definitely have enough room to store one more marker
            localMarkers[idx] = marker;
            idx++;
        }
    }
    // We still have to "trim down" the localMarkers array to the
    // exact number of Marker objects that we actually added --
    // this is recorded in idx. Let's allocate one more Marker[]
    // to store the correct number of objects.
    Marker[] newLocalMarkers = new Marker[idx];
    for (int i = 0; i < idx; i++) {
        newLocalMarkers[i] = localMarkers[i];
    }
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}

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}

```

All this code is  
“nuisance” code.

# Unannounced Quiz 0

- Suppose there already existed a class called `ArrayList` that allowed us to:
  - *add* data to it
  - *retrieve* data from it using an index; and
  - would *resize* itself automatically?
- Our own code becomes much simpler...



```
public ArrayList findLocalMarkers (Location location) {
    ArrayList localMarkers = new ArrayList();

    for (Marker marker : _markers) {
        if (marker.isCloseTo(location)) {

            localMarkers.add(marker);

        }
    }

    return localMarkers;
}
```

# Unannounced Quiz 0

- What would this hypothetical `ArrayList` class look like?
- It would certainly need an `add` method:

```
class ArrayList {  
    void add (Object o) { ... }  
    // ...  
}
```

- All of the “nuisance” code would go into these methods.

# Unannounced Quiz 0

- In writing the `findLocalMarkers` method, we could then just *use* this `ArrayList` class.
- We are the **user** of this `ArrayList`.
- Someone else would then have to **implement** the class by writing the actual implementation of `ArrayList.add(o)`.
- They are the **implementor** of the class.

# Unannounced Quiz 0

- Separating the user from the implementor facilitates an elegant division of labor in writing software.

**Data structures  
you're already familiar  
with.**

# Data structures you already know

- In prior coursework you have already worked with some simple data structures:
- **Arrays:**

```
int[] numbers = new int[100];  
...  
numbers[5] = 16;
```

# Data structures you already know

- In prior coursework you have already worked with some simple data structures:
- **Arrays:** collection of related variables specified by an index:

```
int[] numbers = new int[100];  
...  
numbers[5] = 16;
```

More convenient than declaring 100 variables!

```
int number1, number2, number3, ... number100;
```

# Data structures you already know

- **Strings:**

```
String firstName = "Jimmy";  
String lastName = "Carter";  
String fullName = firstName + " " + lastName;  
System.out.println("Hello, " + fullName);
```



# Data structures you already know

- **Strings:** a finite sequence of characters:

```
String firstName = "Jimmy";  
String lastName = "Carter";  
String fullName = firstName + " " + lastName;  
System.out.println("Hello, " + fullName);
```

String data structure allows you to  
“add” strings together.

# Data structures you already know

- In other languages (e.g., C), a string is simply an array of characters:

```
char str1[32] = "angry"; // str of max len 32
char str2[32] = "bird";
```

- You can't concatenate two strings simply by "adding" them:

```
char str3[64] = str1 + str2;
```

# Data structures you already know

- **Records:**

```
class Customer {  
    String _name;  
    int _age;  
    float _accountBalance;  
}
```

# Data structures you already know

- **Records:** a group of related variables:

```
class Customer {  
    String _name;  
    int _age;  
    float _accountBalance;  
}
```

Records alleviate the burden of maintaining “whose name goes with whose age and whose balance?”

# Data structures you already know

- Simple data structures like arrays, strings, and records provide conveniences to the programmer.
- However, these structures are not physically present anywhere in the computer.
- They are *not real*; they are **abstract**.  
Merriam-Webster: existing in thought or as an idea but not having a physical or concrete existence
- In contrast, **bits** (0/1) are physically present -- they encode whether a particular transistor is on/off.

**Abstraction for  
convenience.**

# Memory abstraction

- Even the “one long sequence of 1’s and 0’s” from last lecture is abstract:
- In fact, computers typically have *multiple* long sequences of 0’s and 1’s -- one for each *memory chip* in the machine.



0010011110001001110100101101100111001100100001010000...

2GB



10100011101011100111001101000101111011010010111...

2GB



1101010000110001100111110010100001010110...

2GB

# Memory abstraction

- Hence, if we want to write to or read from a particular byte of memory, we must specify both which chip (A, B, or C) and which location on that chip (anywhere from 0 to 2147483647).

A



0010011110001001110100101101100111001100100001010000...

2GB

B



10100011101011100111001101000101111011010010111...

2GB

C



1101010000110001100111110010100001010110...

2GB



# Memory abstraction

- How is this related to computer programming?
- Every variable in every program you write must be stored in memory *somewhere*.

A



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B



10100011101011100111001101000101111011010010111...

2GB

C

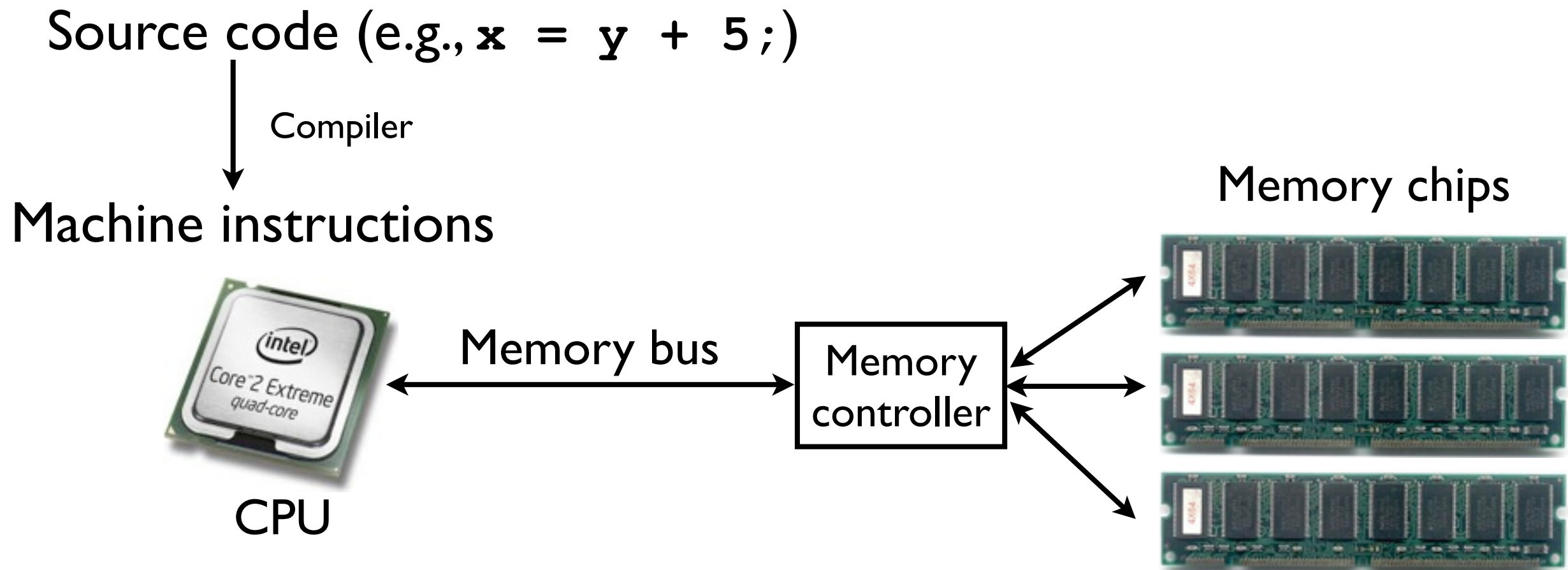


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2GB

# Foray into computer architecture

- Somewhere between your source code and the memory chips, the determination of “which memory chip” must be made...

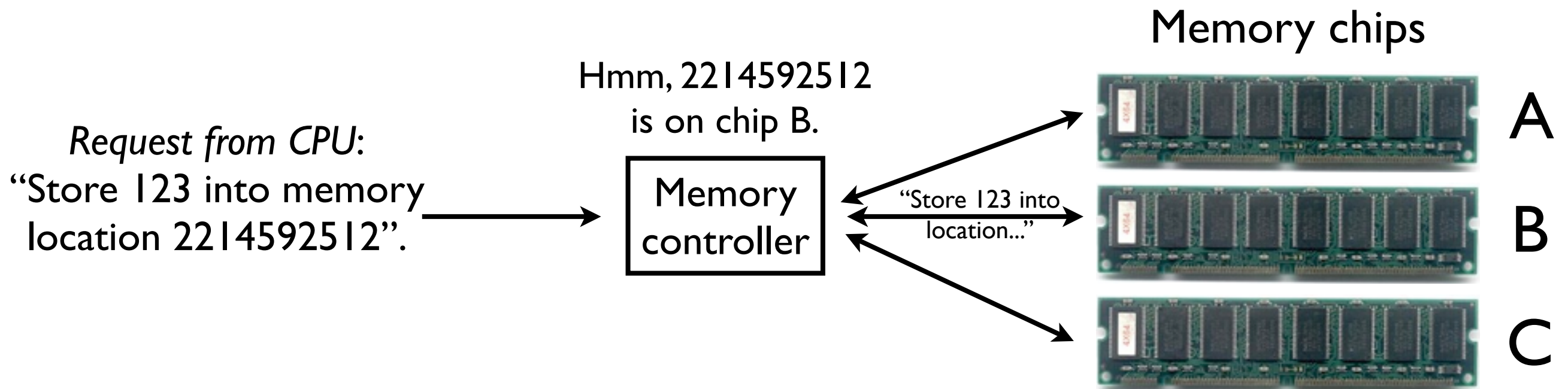


# Memory abstraction

- The memory controller provides a “convenient illusion”:
  - It allows the CPU, compiler, and ultimately our Java code to “pretend” there’s only one large bank of memory of size 6GB.
  - No need to specify “memory chip A, B, or C”.
  - Just specify the byte location you’re interested in (anywhere from 0 to 6442450943).
- This illusion is called an “abstraction”.

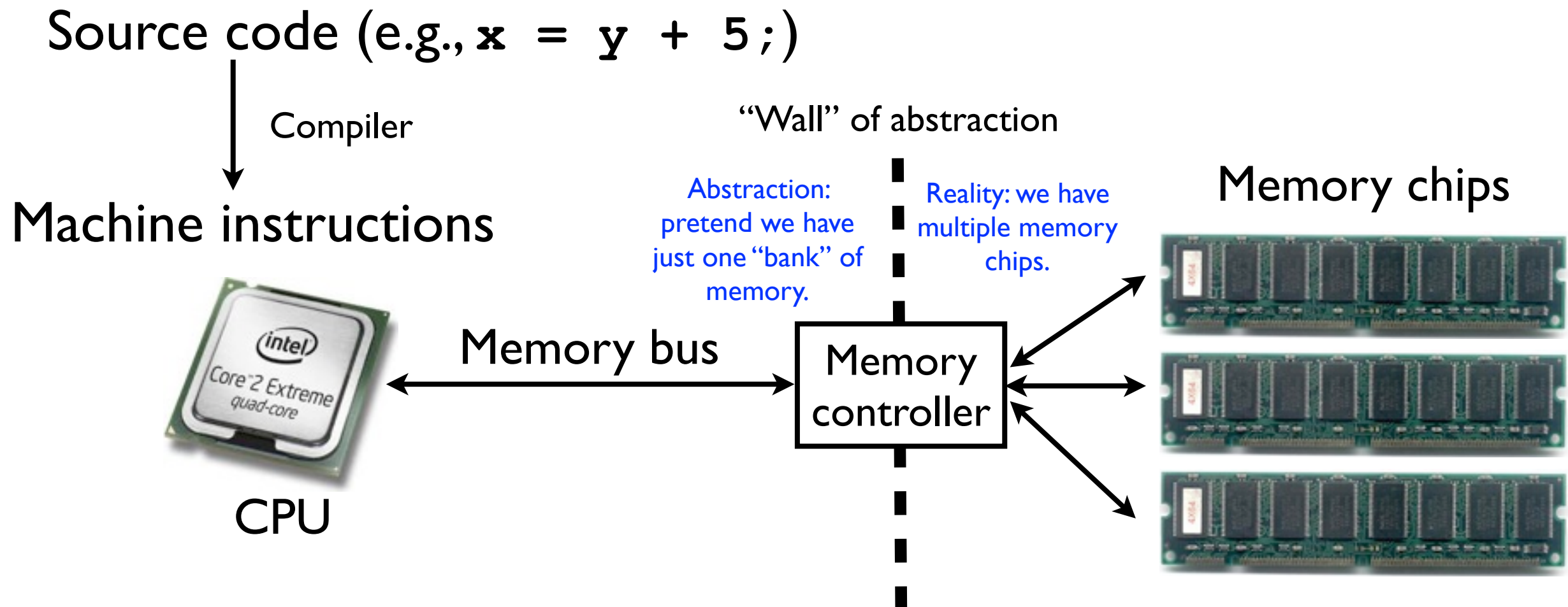
# Memory abstraction

- Memory controller must “translate” between “abstract” requests of the CPU and “reality” of multiple memory chips.



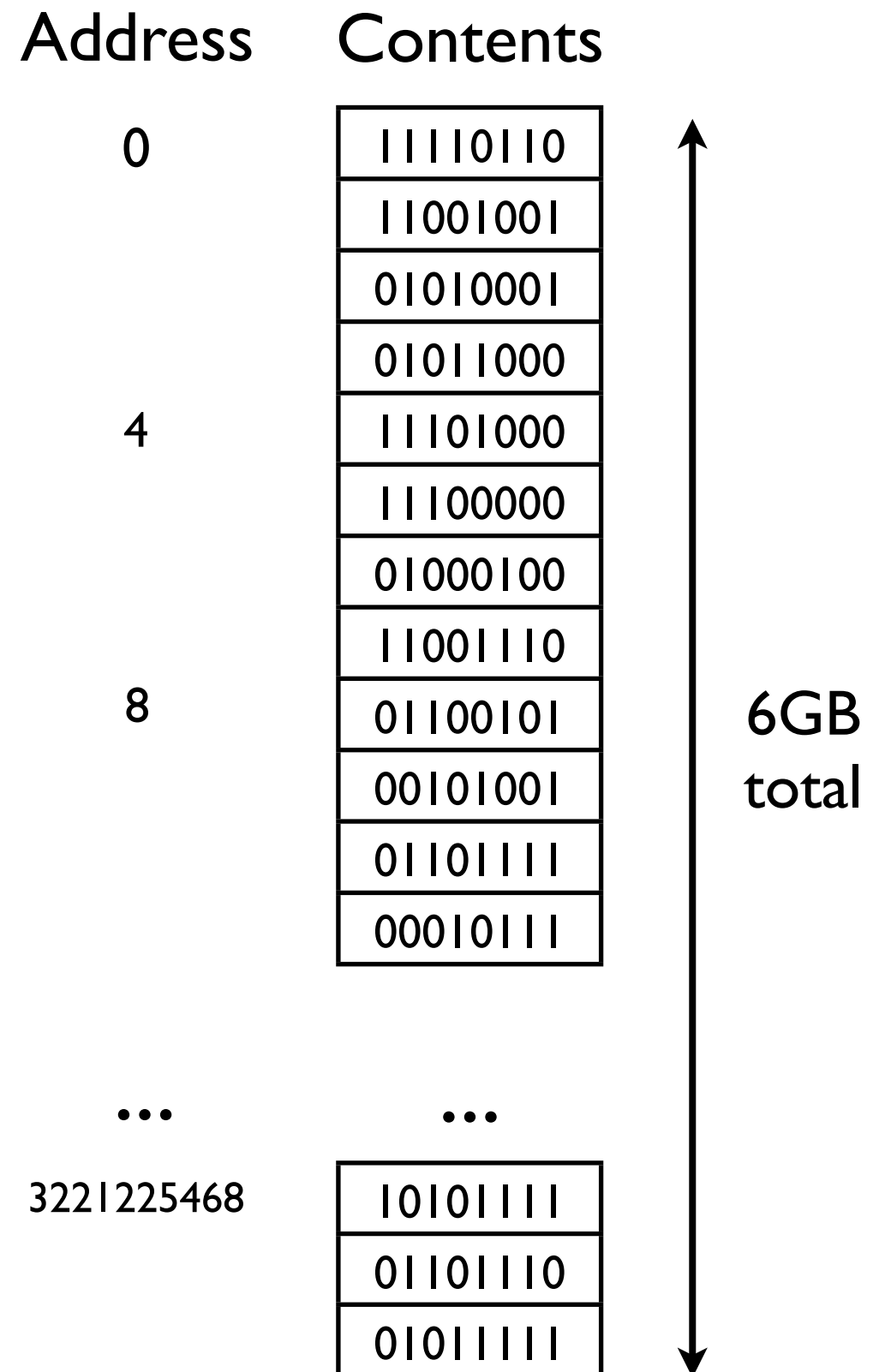
# Memory abstraction

- Thanks to this “memory abstraction”, the CPU, operating system, Java compiler, and ultimately you-the-programmer don’t have to worry about which memory chip your variables are stored.



# Memory addresses

- The memory controller provides us with the “abstraction” of viewing memory as **one, long sequence of bytes** (8 bits each).
- Each location in the memory bank is called an **address**.



# Memory controller implements **OneLongBinarySequence** abstraction

- The memory controller is responsible for *implementing* this abstraction.
- The memory controller must handle requests/**messages** from the CPU and respond to them appropriately.
- Example requests:
  - “Store value 123 into address 2152420584.”
  - “Fetch the value stored at address 2152420584.”



# Programming language abstractions

- In this course, we will deal with abstractions primarily at the **programming language** and **data structure** level.
- Programming languages allow us to refer to data using meaningful variable names, e.g.,  
`int imageWidth;`  
instead of referring to particular memory addresses, e.g., 4938248.



# Programming language abstractions

- Example:

```
void addNumbers () {  
    int num1 = 13, num2 = 27;  
    int num3 = num1 + num2;  
}
```

The compiler/interpreter implements the abstraction, i.e., translates between variable names and memory addresses.

Address Contents

...

9408

13

**num1**

9412

27

**num2**

9416

40

**num3**

...

...

# Point to emphasize

- Abstraction provides a *convenient illusion*:
  - The `OneLongBinarySequence` is more convenient than having to know on which memory card a particular byte is stored.
  - A variable name is easier to remember than an integer memory address.

# Point to emphasize

- Abstractions are not “real”:
  - The `OneLongBinarySequence` is actually divided across several memory chips.
  - A variable is actually just a region of computer memory starting at a particular address.

**Abstraction to hide  
details.**

# Data structure abstractions

- In this course, we will study some of the fundamental data structures of computer science: **list**, **stack**, **queue**, **heap**, **tree**, **hash table**, and **graph**.
- Each of these provides a convenient **abstraction** to the programmer.
- We implement these data structures as **abstract data types (ADTs)**.

# Abstract data types

- An abstract data type (ADT) provides the programmer with a convenient “container” for storing data.
- For instance, a **list** is an abstraction for a container of ordered elements that can grow as we add more elements to it.
- The programmer interacts with the ADT by calling various **methods** on it.

# Abstract data types

- The details of how the methods are implemented are generally not visible to the “user”.
- The “user” is the programmer who wants to use the ADT to manage his/her data.
- The user doesn't necessarily care how the ADT is implemented, as long as the methods work according to the **interface specification**.
- This allows flexibility in the **implementation** of the ADT.

# ADT example

- This discussion of abstract data types may be getting “abstract”.
- Let’s concretify things by introducing one of the classics: a **list**.



# Lists

- Sometimes you need to manage a collection of variables:
  - Students enrolled at UCSD.
  - Customers who buy stuff from your company.
  - List of programs currently running on your machine.

# Lists

- So...just use an array:

```
Student[] ucsdStudents = new  
Student[28000];
```

# Linked lists

- But what if the number of students is not known ahead of time?
- We could just allocate a really big array with room to spare.

```
ucsdStudents = new Student[100000];
```

# Why not use an array?

- There are two problems with this:
  - It is wasteful -- many elements of `ucsdStudents` will never be used.
  - If we try to allocate too big an array, then the initialization may *fail*, due to:
    - Lack of free memory; or
    - Lack of *contiguous* free memory (i.e., available in one big block).

# Why not use an array?

- Ok, fine -- start out with a small array, and make it bigger when it's full.
- But it's annoying for the programmer to have to keep "enlarging the array".
- What we want is an object that manages the array for us.
- We don't really care how it's done, as long as it works.
  - *We're not concerned with the details.*

# What we want

- What we want is some data structure that has the following capabilities:
- We can add elements (e.g., `Students`) to it, and it will store them.
- The data structure should automatically “grow” itself as needed in an “efficient” manner (much more later). Time cost
- It should not use memory wastefully. Space cost

# What we want

- We can retrieve a particular element specified by index  $i$ .
- We can remove a particular element specified by index  $i$ .

# List interface specification

- Here's a Java specification of what we want:

```
class List {  
    ...  
  
    // Adds the specified element to the end of the list.  
    // Takes  $O(1)$  time.  
    void add (Object element) { ... }  
  
    // Returns the element contained in the list at index  
    // i if it exists. Else, throws NoSuchElementException.  
    Object get (int i) throws NoSuchElementException { ... }  
  
    // Removes the element contained in the list at index  
    // i if it exists. Else, throws NoSuchElementException  
    void remove (int i) throws NoSuchElementException { ... }  
}
```

For now, just take this to mean “quickly”.



# List interface specification

- Notice the things we **don't** care about:

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class List {  
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}
```

Don't care about the **instance variables.**

Don't care *how* the methods work.

# List interface specification



- Notice the things we **do** care about:

```
class List {
```

We care about what the methods **return**.

We care about the **parameters** we must pass in.

```
// Adds the specified element to the end of the list.
```

```
// Takes O(1) time.
```

```
void add (Object element) { ... }
```

```
// Returns the element contained in the list at index  
// i if it exists. Else, throws NoSuchElementException.
```

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Object get (int i) throws NoSuchElementException { ... }
```

```
// Removes the element contained in the list at index  
// i if it exists. Else, throws NoSuchElementException
```

```
void remove (int i) throws NoSuchElementException { ... }
```

```
}
```

We care what the methods do.

We care what exceptions it might throw (more later).

# List specification

- A description of methods...
  - What the methods do.
  - What parameters they take.
  - What they return.
  - What exceptions they might throw.
- ...is known as an **interface**.
- An **interface** in Java contains:
  - No instance variables.
  - No method bodies.

# List interface

An interface consists of method **signatures**.

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interface List {  
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    void remove (int i) throws NoSuchElementException;  
}
```

A **method signature** consists of the method name, parameters, return type, and exceptions thrown.

# Using a list

- Before we can use a `List` object, we first need some class that implements the `List` interface.
- The `List` is an abstraction -- we can't create `List` objects by writing:

```
List list = new List(); // Won't compile
```

- The reason is that `List` is just a description of what a list *should do* -- not how it would *actually work*.

# Implementing the `List` interface

- In order to create an instance of `List`, you must first create a (concrete) *class* that *implements* the (abstract) `List` *interface*.
- What does this mean?
  - It means that we must implement the **body** of every method whose signature was defined in the interface.

# Implementing the List interface

```
class ListImpl implements List {  
    private Object[] _array;  
    private int _numElements;  
  
    void add (Object element) {  
        ...  
        _array[_numElements++] = element;  
    }  
  
    Object get (int i) throws NoSuchElementException {  
        ...  
    }  
  
    void remove (int i) throws NoSuchElementException {  
        ...  
    }  
}
```

Tell the compiler explicitly that ListImpl implements the List interface.

# Creating a List

- Now that we (hypothetically) have a `ListImpl` implementation of `List`, we can create a `List` object:

```
List list = new ListImpl(); // ok!  
list.add(new Student("Bertha", 18));  
...
```



# Abstraction for good software design.



# Why separate interface from implementation?

- So far, creating a `List` interface and a `ListImpl` implementation hasn't bought us very much.
- Why is it useful?

# Why separate interface from implementation?

1. Separating interface from implementation facilitates a *division of labor* among members of a software development team.

I'll work on the graphical front-end to manage a list of UCSD students.

User



Fabulous. I'll create the List implementation itself.

Implementor



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# Why separate interface from implementation?

1. Separating interface from implementation facilitates a *division of labor* among members of a software development team.
  1. Both the implementors and users of the ADT agree on the interface.
  2. The implementor **implements** the interface (writes the ADT method bodies).
  3. The user **calls** the interface methods.

# Why separate interface from implementation?

*List interface*

User



writes:

```
List list = new ListImpl();  
list.add(new Student());  
...
```

Wall of abstraction

Implementor



writes:

```
class ListImpl implements List {  
    ...  
    void add (Object o) {  
        _array[_numElements++] = o;  
    }  
}
```

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# Why separate interface from implementation?

2. Programming an application that uses objects of an interface type is more flexible.
  - If a new, better implementation comes out, you can switch by changing one line of code.

# Why separate interface from implementation?

```
// Create the list
List list = new ListImpl();

// Do lots of stuff with the list
list.add(new Student("Maurice", 16));
list.add(someOtherStudent);
...
Student s = (Student) list.get(15);
...
```

# Why separate interface from implementation?

```
// Create the list
List list = new ListImplImproved();

// Do lots of stuff with the list
list.add(new Student("Maurice", 16));
list.add(someOtherStudent);
...
Student s = (Student) list.get(15);
...
```

Substitute a different implementation.

None of the remaining code has to change at all!



# Why *not* an ADT?

- There are a few situations where you would *not* want to implement a data structure as an ADT.
- Encapsulating a data structure into an ADT incurs a small amount of time cost and space cost.
- In performance-critical programs (e.g., real-time systems, small-memory systems), this overhead might be a real problem.
- However, in the vast majority of programming scenarios, using data structures as ADTs is the right choice.

# Implementing a List ADT.

# List implementations

- Let's finally talk about how to implement a `List` with the three methods `add`, `get`, and `remove`.
- We will cover two kinds of list implementations:
  - `ArrayList`
  - `LinkedList`

# Array lists

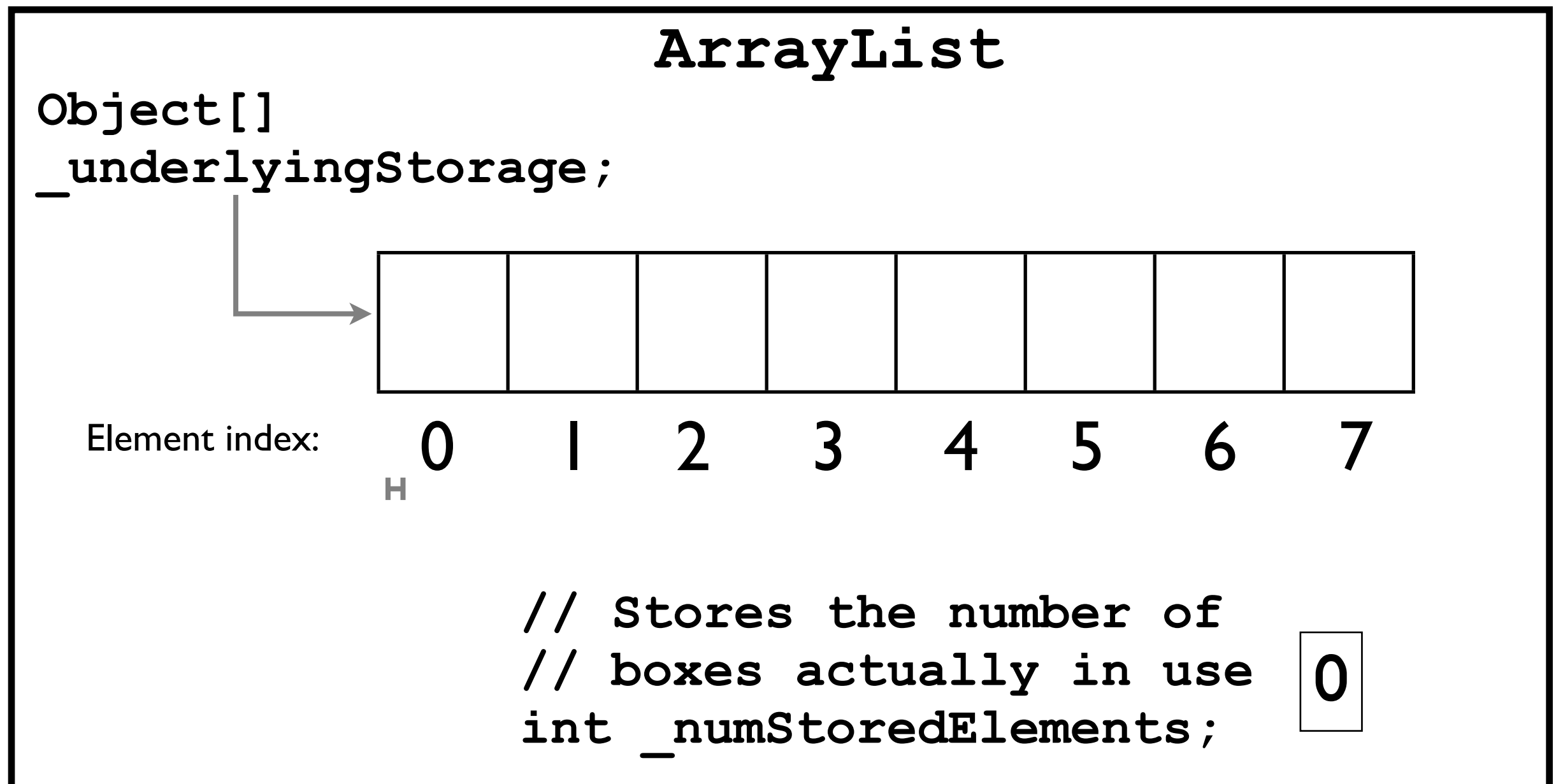
- Let's go back to our “sketch” of how to manage a list that could “grow” when more elements were added:
  - Start with a small array.
  - If it gets full, make the array larger.
  - Hide these details from the “user” -- the programmer using the `ArrayList` implementation -- behind the “wall of abstraction” provided by the `List` interface.

# ArrayLists

- In our `ArrayList` ADT, we will store the data added by the `add(o)` method in an `Object[]`.
- This `Object[]` is the “underlying storage” of the ADT.
  - In 1960s parlance, this is called the “backing store” of the data structure.
- What would be the “backing store” of the `OneLongBinarySequence` abstraction that the memory controller implements?

# ArrayLists

- It is often useful to depict ADTs graphically:



# ArrayLists

- Consider:

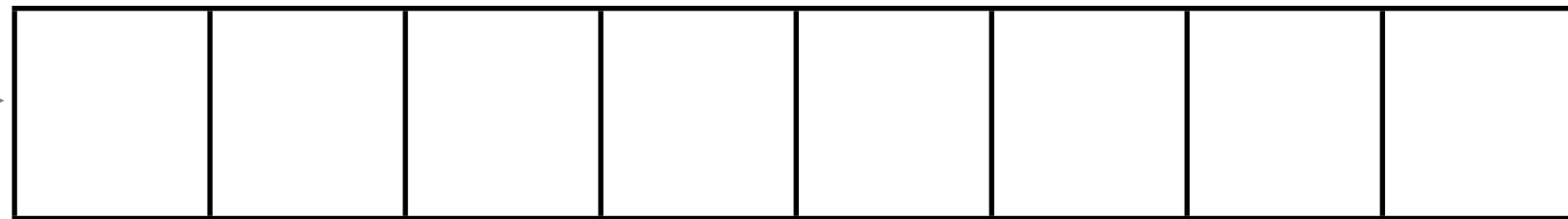
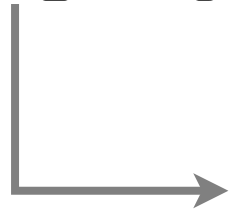
```
Object o1 = "Object1";
```

```
Object o2 = "Object2";
```

```
Object o3 = "Object3";
```

## ArrayList

```
Object[]  
_underlyingStorage;
```



Element index:

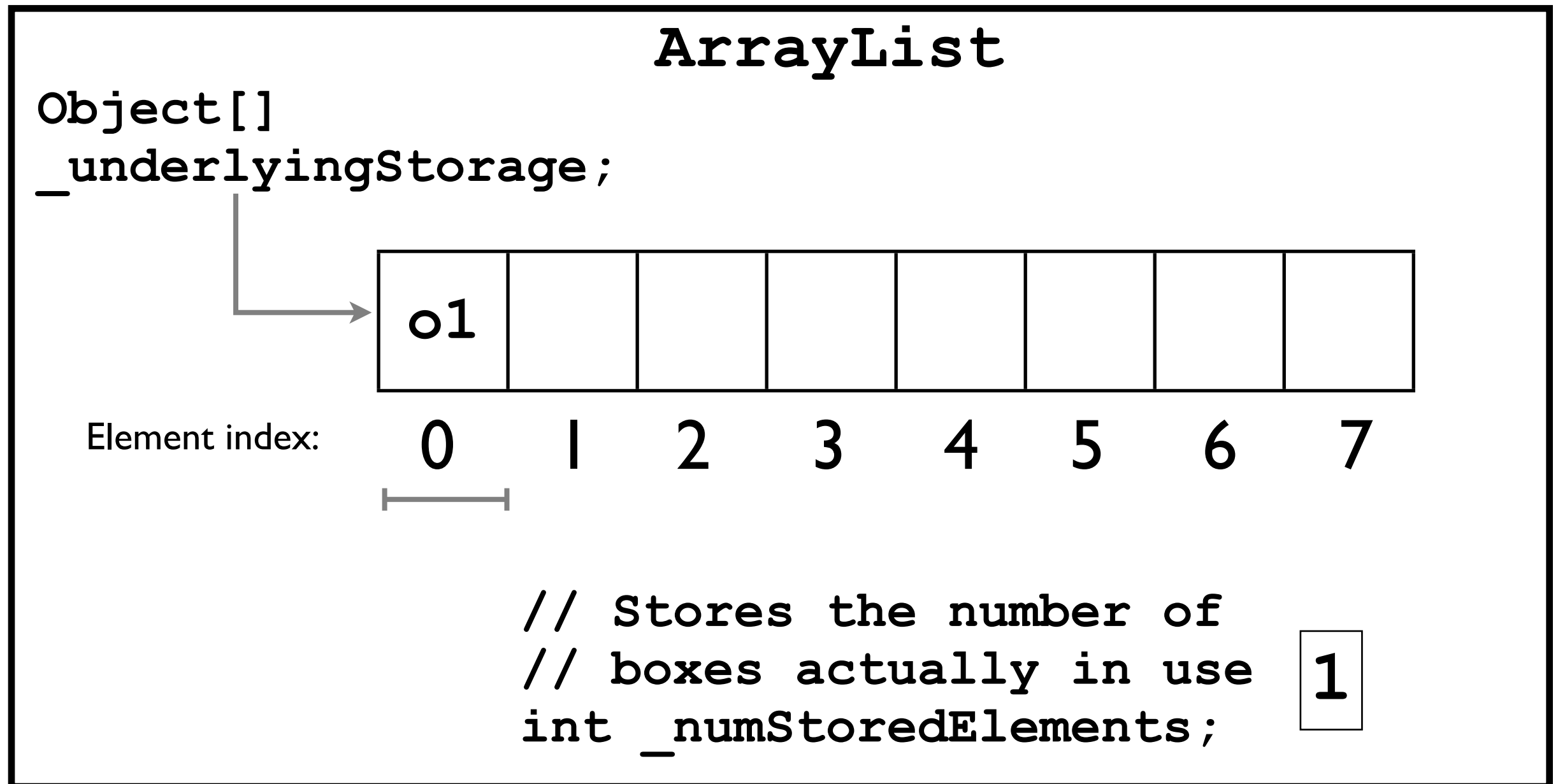
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```
// Stores the number of  
// boxes actually in use  
int _numStoredElements;
```

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# ArrayLists

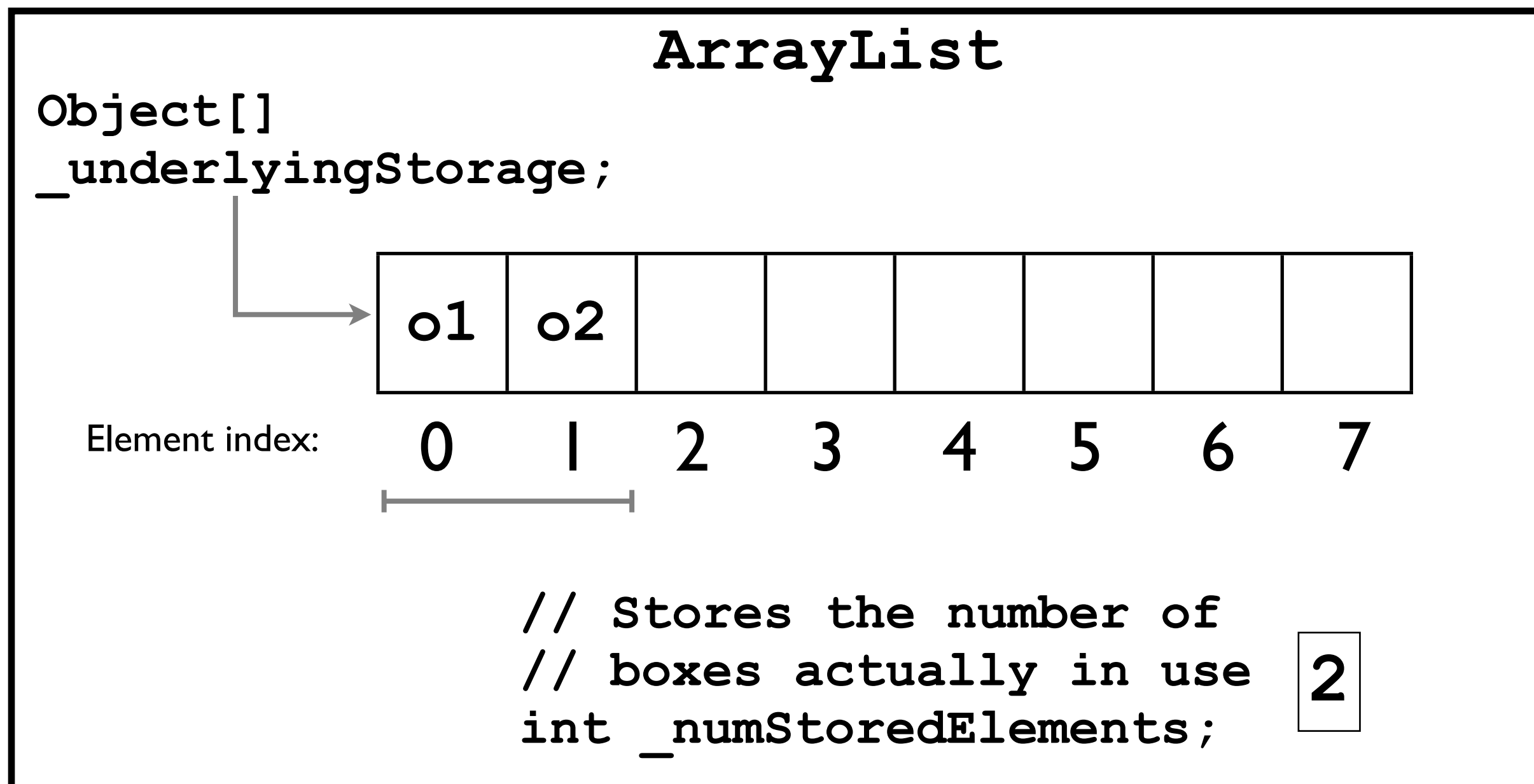
- Consider:  
`arrayList.add(o1);`





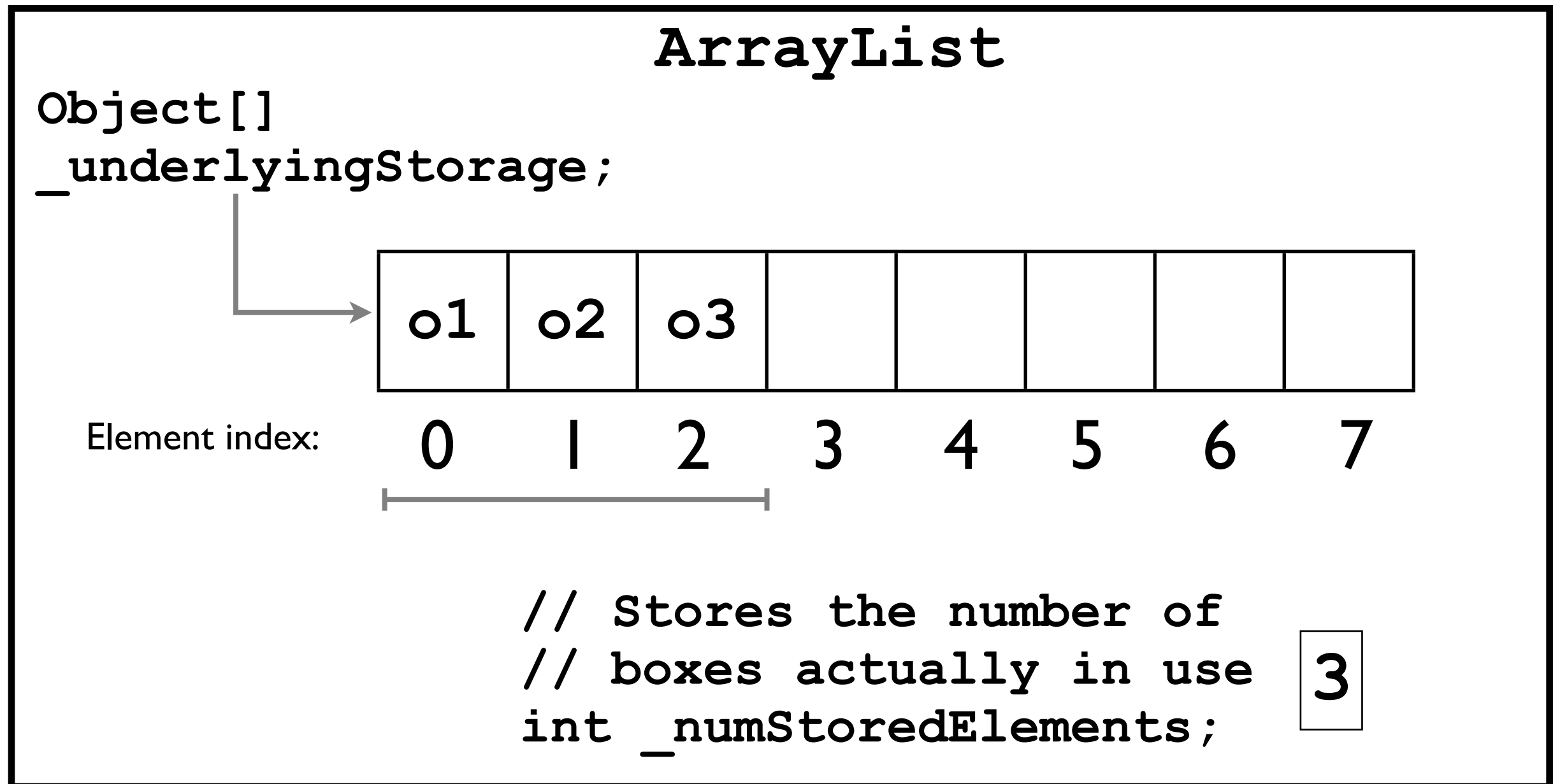
# ArrayLists

- Consider:  
`arrayList.add(o1);`  
`arrayList.add(o2);`



# ArrayLists

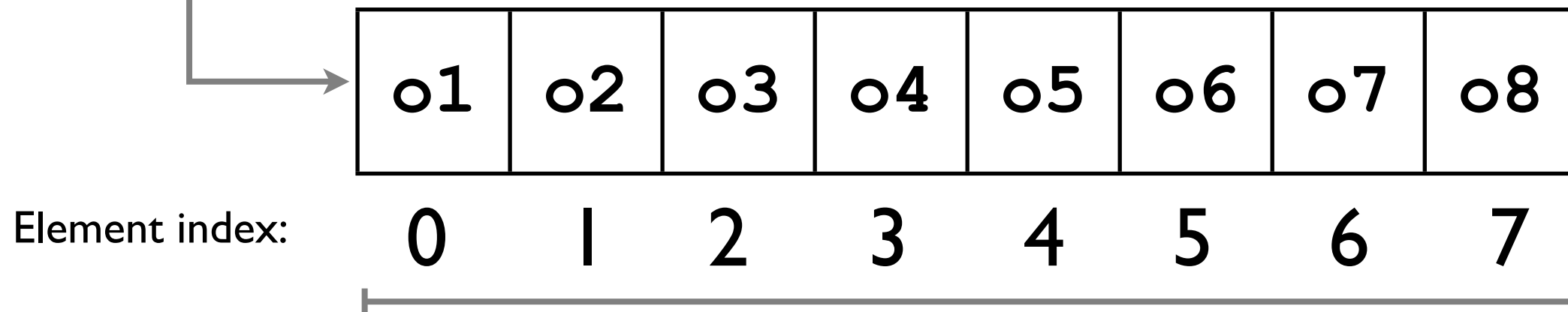
- Consider:  
`arrayList.add(o1);`  
`arrayList.add(o2);`  
`arrayList.add(o3);`



# ArrayLists

- Consider:  
`// More adds...`
- After adding 8 objects to the list, the array is full. (How do we know?)
- If the user calls `add` again, we must enlarge the backing store.

```
Object[]  
_underlyingStorage;
```



```
// Stores the number of  
// boxes actually in use  
int _numStoredElements;
```

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# Enlarging an array

- First, what does it mean to “enlarge” an array?
- In Java, once an array is allocated, its size cannot be changed:

```
Object[] array = new Object[8];  
array.length++; // this is nonsense
```

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Object[] array = new Object[8];

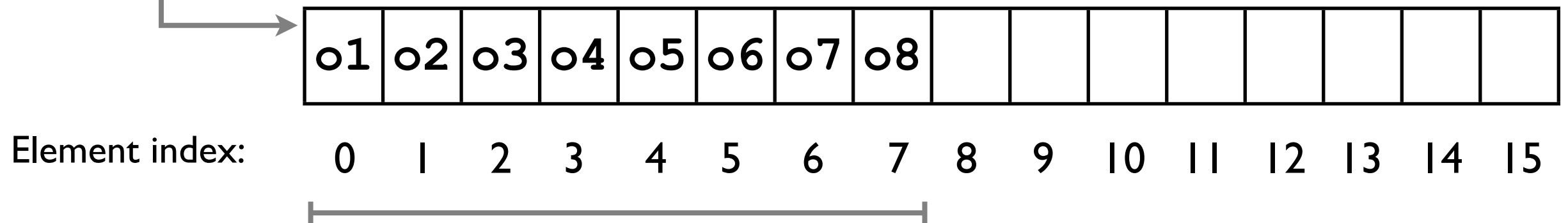
... // The array gets filled up

// Create a new, larger array
Object[] largerArray = new Object[16];
// Copy the array data into the new array
for (int i = 0; i < array.length; i++) {
    largerArray[i] = array[i];
}
// Replace the old array with the new one
array = largerArray;
```

# Enlarging the array

- After “enlarging” the array, we have:

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# Enlarging an array

- It would be a pain to do this in every application we write in which we need a flexibly-sized array.
- Implementing this “array resizing” in a List ADT once-and-for-all is more efficient and more reliable.



# Enlarging the array: implementation issues

- When should we resize the array?
- How do we keep track of how full the current array is?
- By how much should we enlarge the array?

# Unannounced quiz I

