

Chapter 7

An array is a sequence of values.

An array is a fixed-length
sequence of values.

An array is a fixed-length
sequence of values, all of
the same type.

You can declare, create,
access, and update arrays.

Arrays are declared with a
base type and [] to denote
"array of."

An array variable holds a reference to an array.

(Therefore, you must create the array with operator new.)

You can access or modify
the elements in an array,
one at a time.

(Like a nerd, the array starts counting at 0.)

Array syntax

Declaring and creating

```
int [] ia = new int[10];
```

Accessing

```
int x = ia[0];
```

Updating

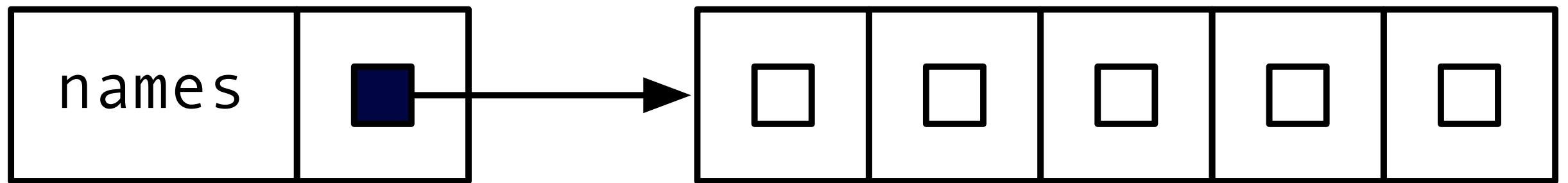
```
ia[0] = x * y;
```

Declaring and creating arrays

```
String[] names = new String[5];
```

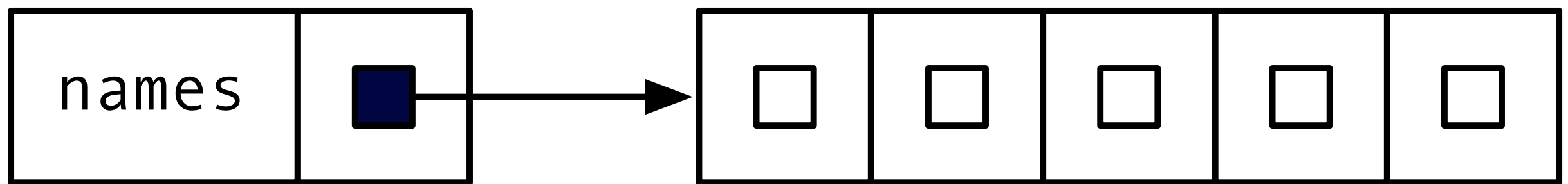
Declaring and creating arrays

```
String[] names = new String[5];
```



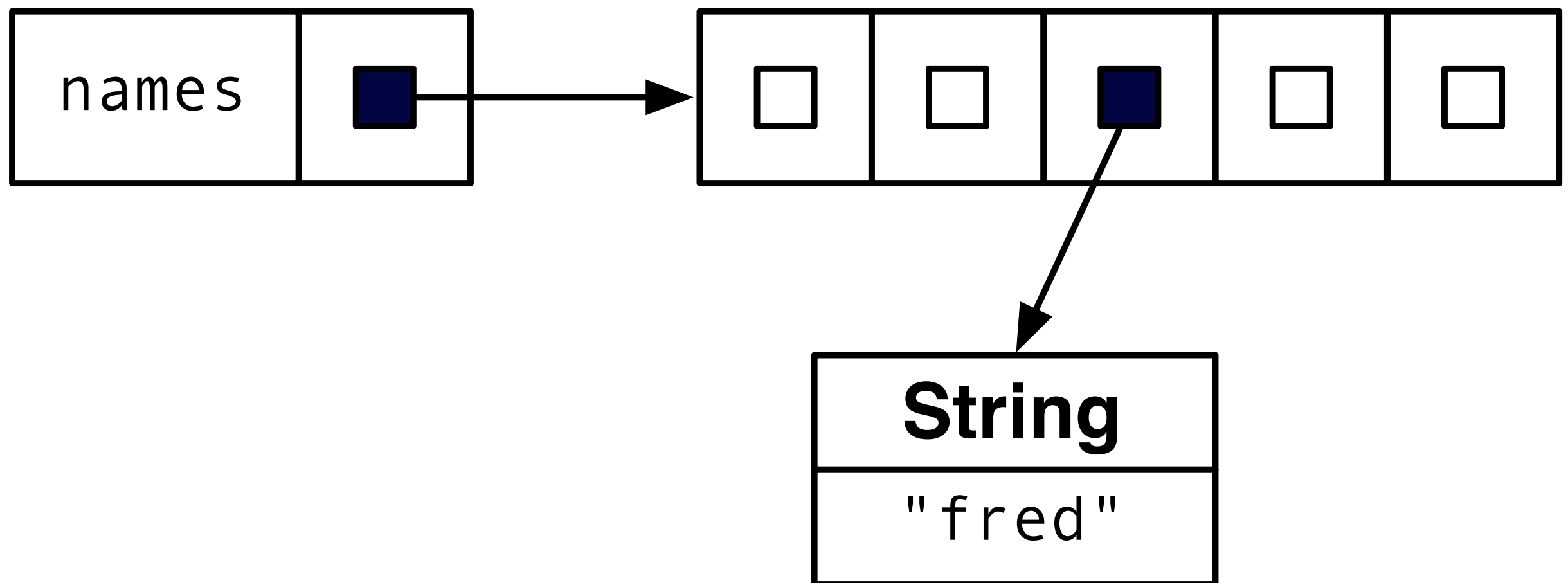
Modifying array elements

```
names[2] = "fred";
```



Modifying array elements

```
names[2] = "fred";
```

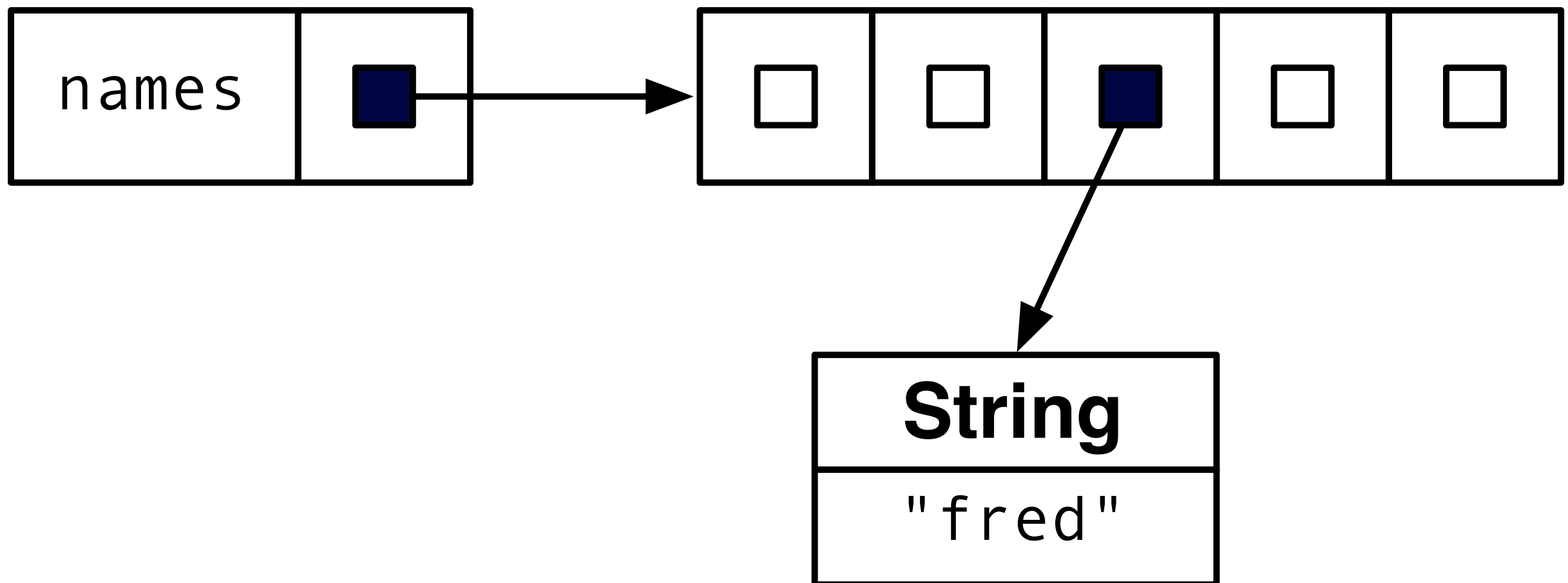


Accessing array elements

```
String fred = names[2];
```

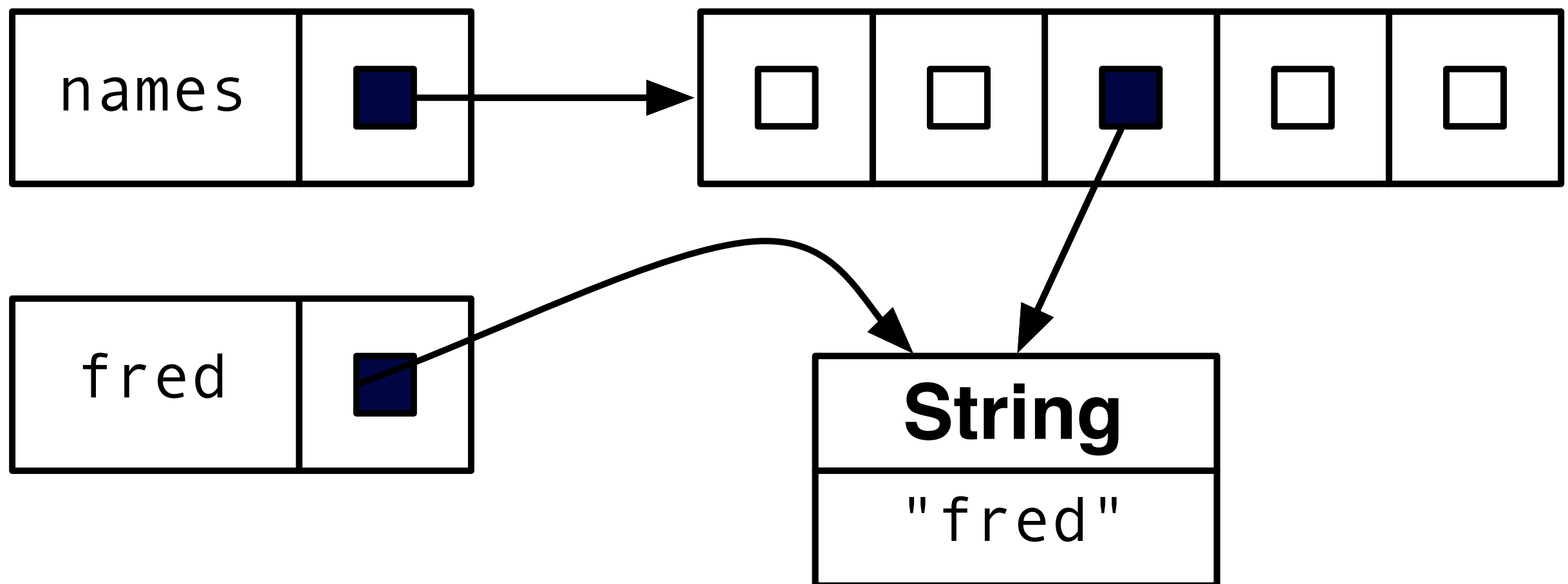
Accessing array elements

```
String fred = names[2];
```



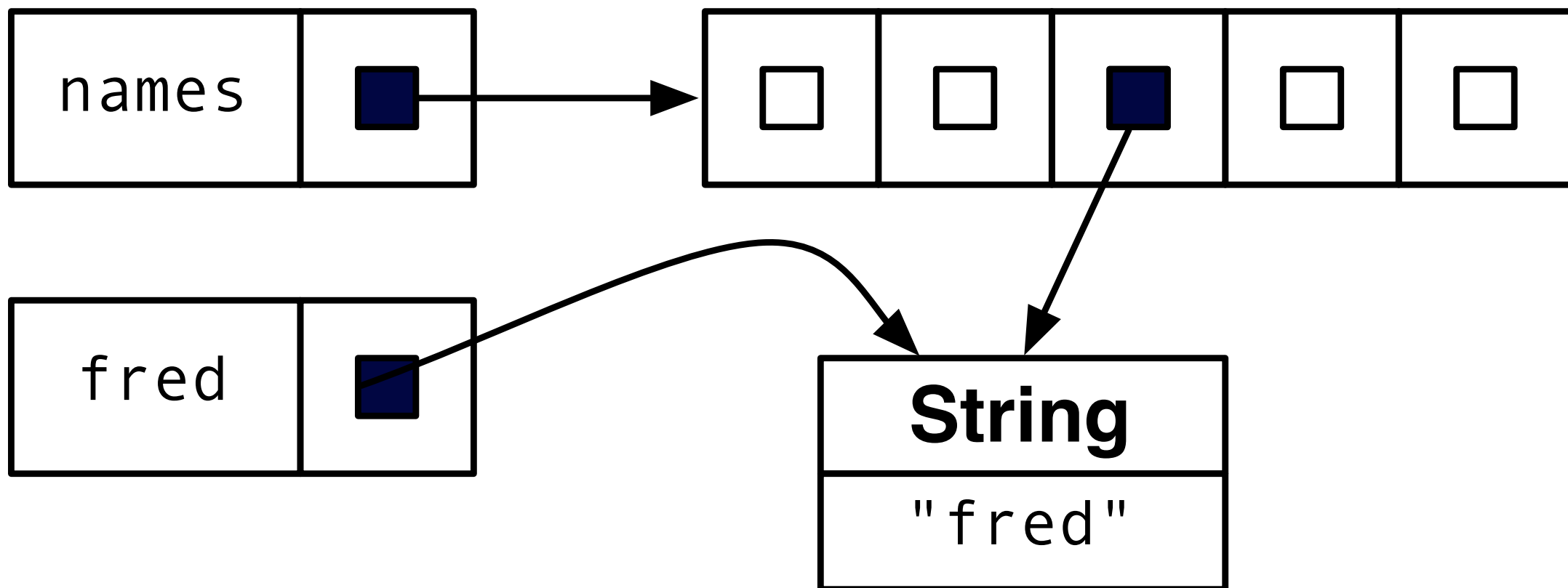
Accessing array elements

```
String fred = names[2];
```



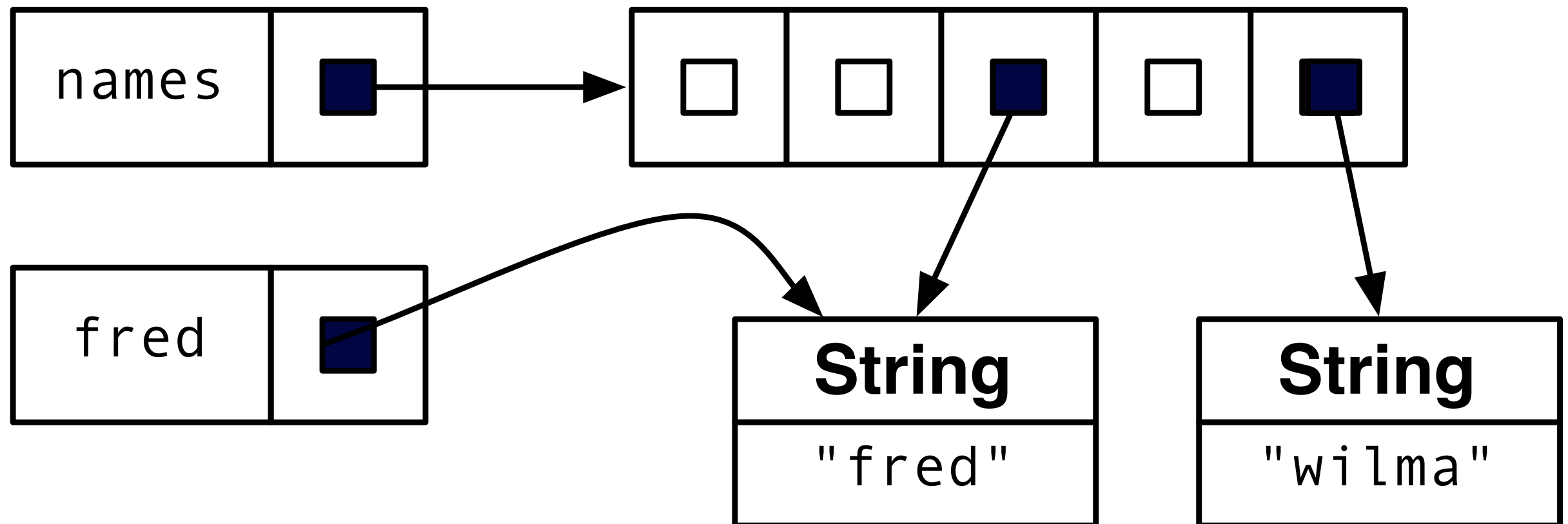
Metadata and .length

```
names[names.length - 1] = "wilma";
```



Metadata and .length

```
names[names.length - 1] = "wilma";
```



What values does a newly-allocated array contain?

You can also ask an array
how many elements it has.

Array syntax

Element count

`ia.length`

Iterating through an array

```
for (int i = 0; i < ia.length; i++) {  
    System.out.println(ia[i]);  
}
```

Note that the last valid index for some array *a* is $(a.length - 1)$.

(It's because we start counting at zero.)

Exercise

```
/** Returns the sum of all even numbers
    between lo and hi (inclusive).
    @param lo the low end of the range
    @param hi the high end of the range
    @return as above
 */
public static int sumEvens(int lo, int hi) {

}
```

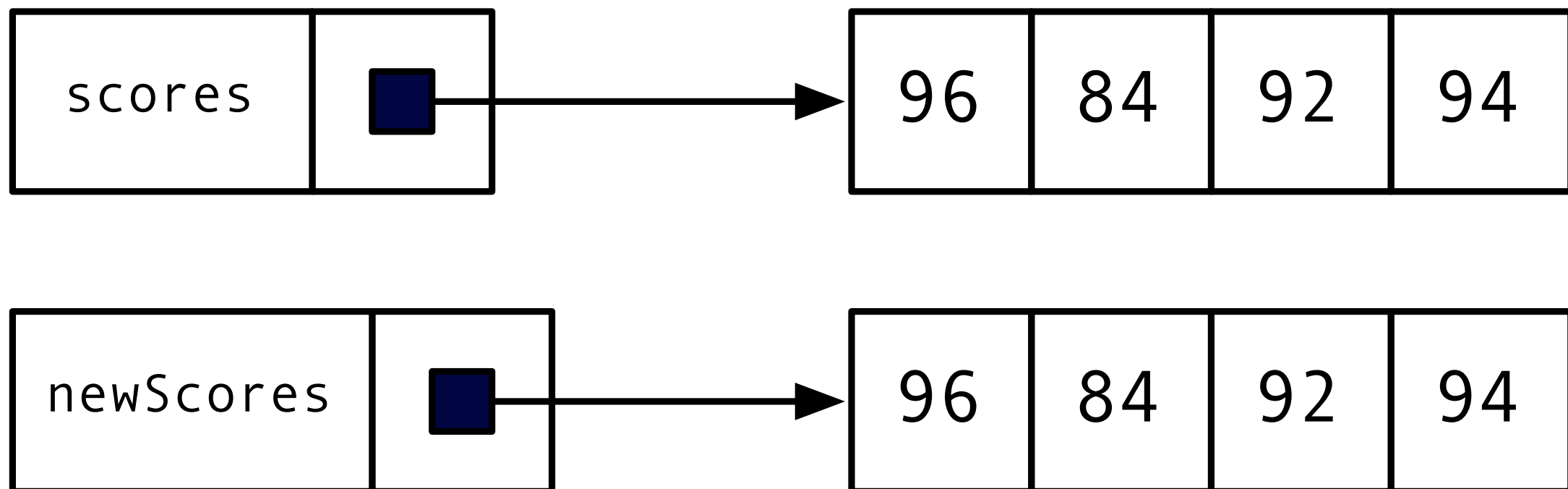
```
public static int sumEvens(int lo, int hi) {  
    int total = 0;  
    int start = (lo % 2 == 0) ? lo : lo + 1;  
    for (int i = start; i <= hi; i+=2) {  
        total += i;  
    }  
    return total;  
}
```

You can copy arrays with a
for loop as well

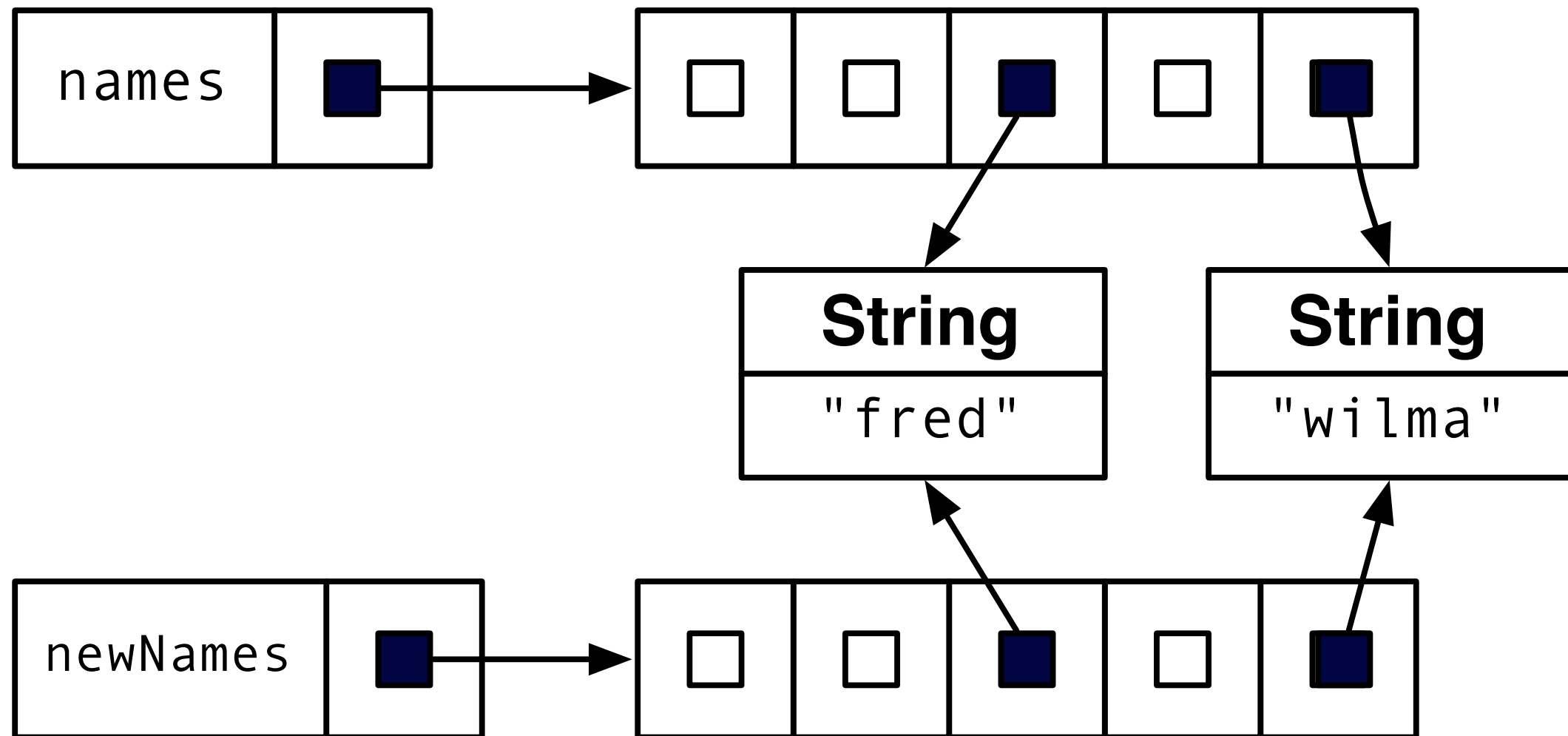
```
int[] newScores = new int[scores.length];  
  
for (int i = 0; i < scores.length; i++) {  
    newScores[i] = scores[i];  
}
```

A shallow copy copies the values in the array, but does not create new objects for array element referents.

```
int[] newScores = new int[scores.length];  
for (int i = 0; i < scores.length; i++) {  
    newScores[i] = scores[i];  
}
```



```
String[] newNames =  
    new String[names.length];  
  
for (int i = 0; i < names.length; i++) {  
    newNames[i] = names[i];  
}
```



Exercise

`reverse` takes an array `arr` and returns a newly-allocated array with the elements of `arr` in reverse order.

`reverseInPlace` takes an array `arr` and modifies it by reversing the order of its elements.

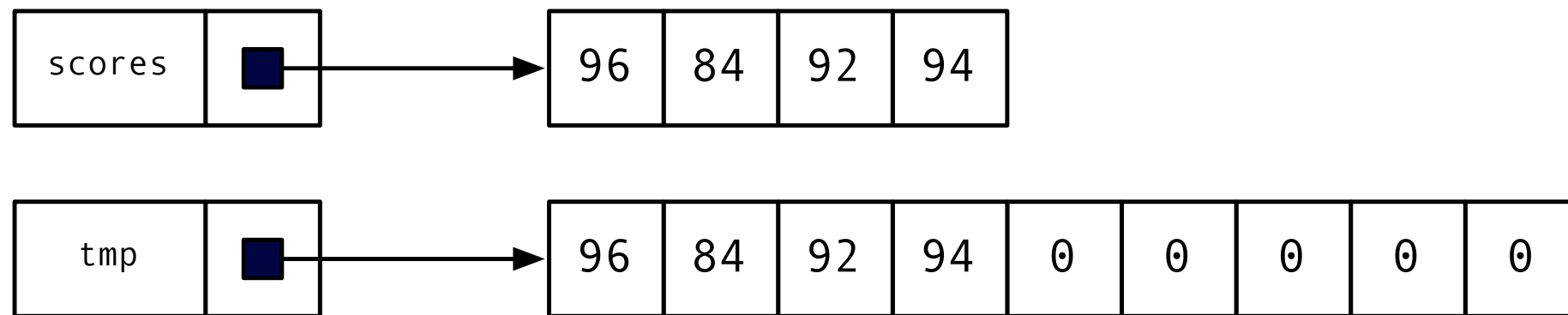
```
int[] reverse(int[] arr)
```

```
void reverseInPlace(int[] arr)
```

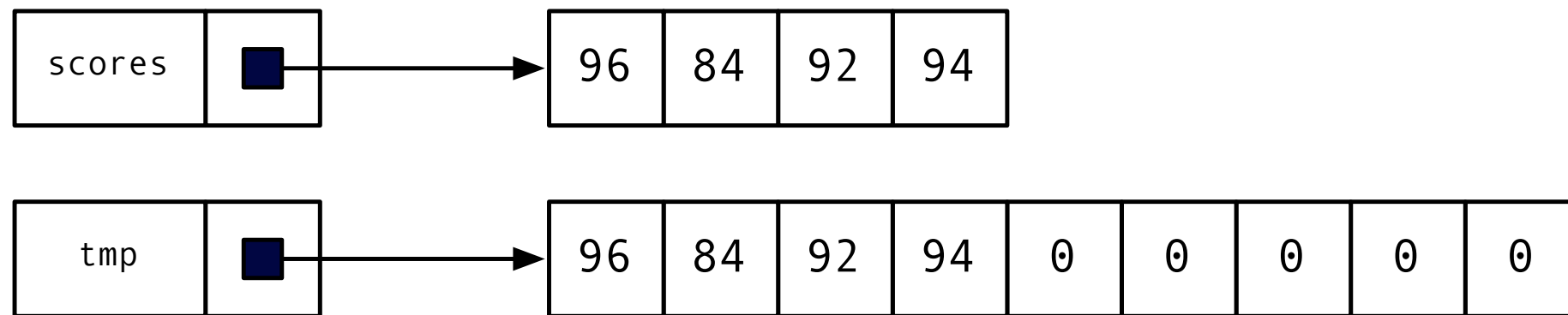
Recall that an array is a
fixed-size array of values.

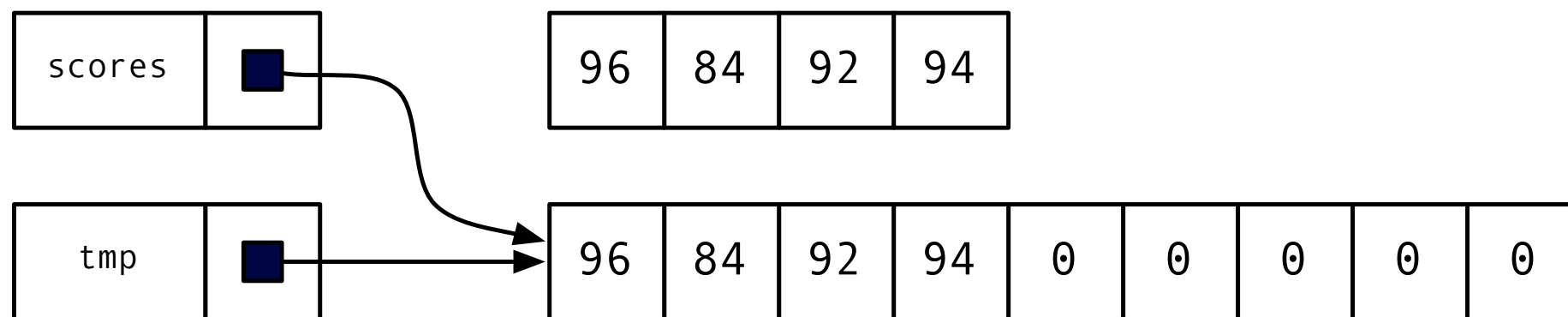
Sometimes we need more
space than we thought!

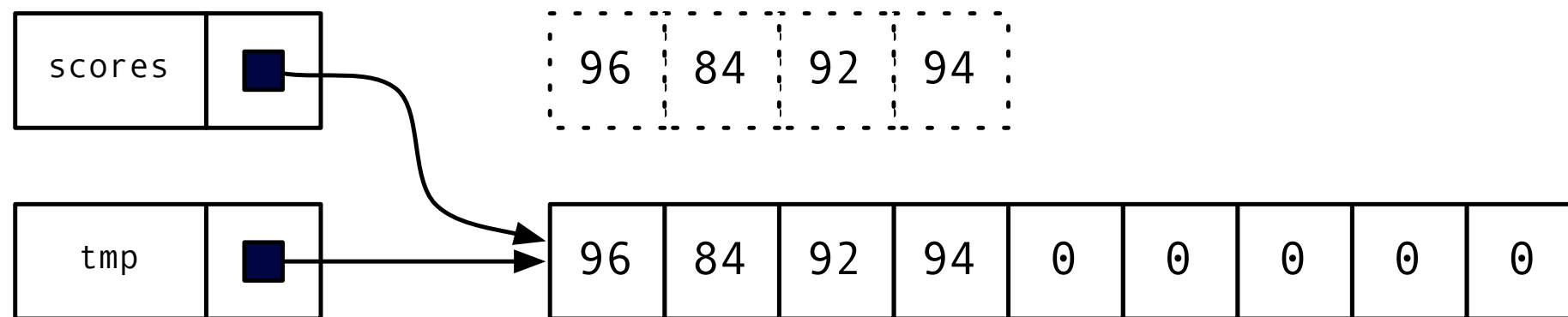
To resize an array, create a new array and copy the elements from the old one.



Then, give a reference to
the new array to the old
variable.







**How would we write the
code to do this?**

We've seen several kinds of
literals -- int literals, String
literals, etc.

42

2.0f

We've seen several kinds of
literals -- int literals, String
literals, etc.

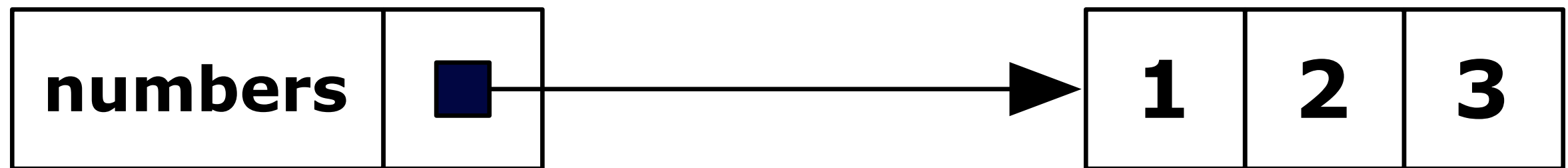
true

"Hello"

Java also lets us declare *array literals*.

To declare an array literal,
write a sequence of values in
curly brackets.

```
int[] numbers = {1, 2, 3};
```



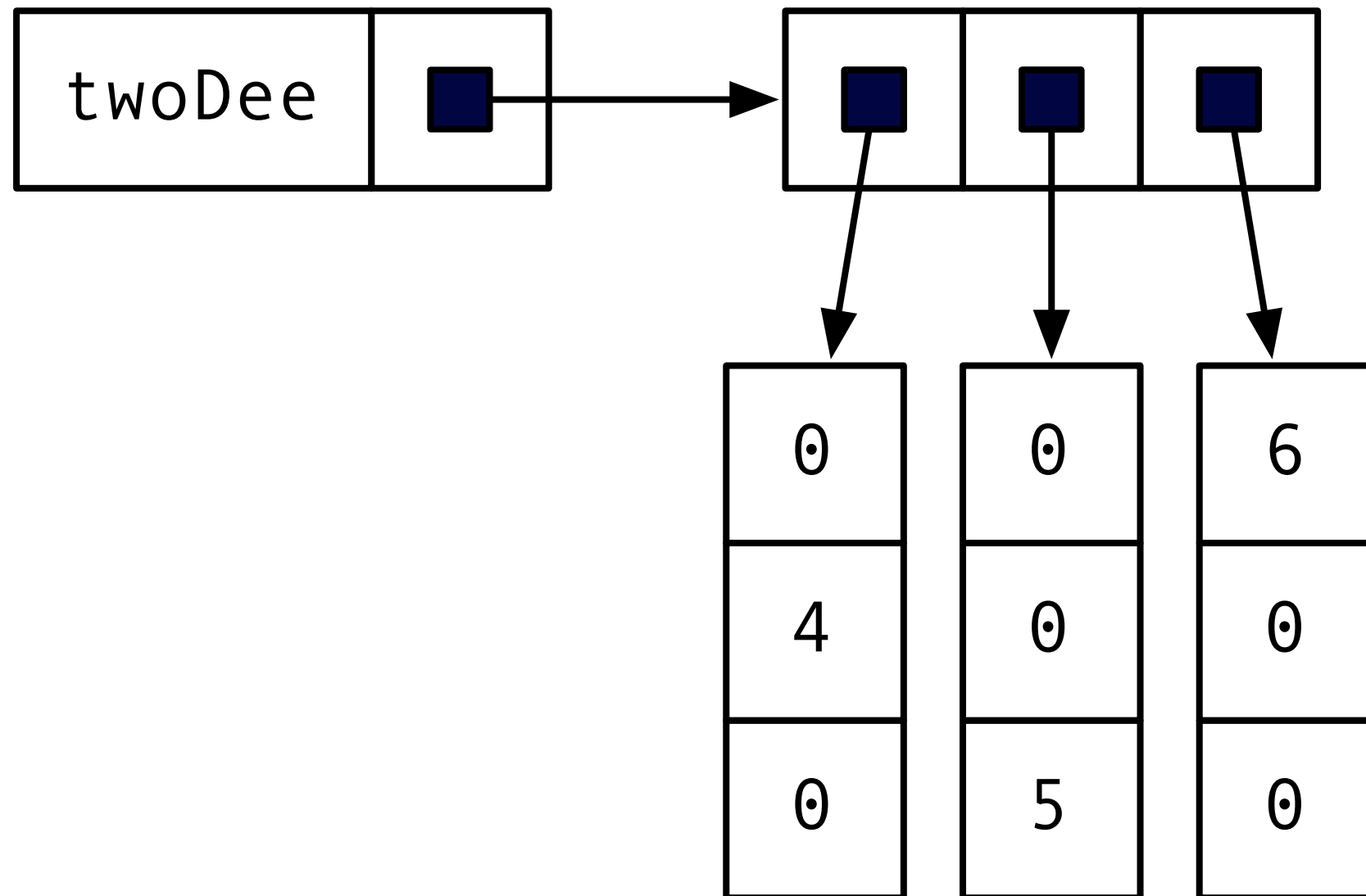
(This syntax only works in
initializations -- not everywhere
you'd use an array reference!)

Arrays may contain
other arrays.

The type of an array is
basetype[].

We add additional [] to
indicate arrays of arrays!

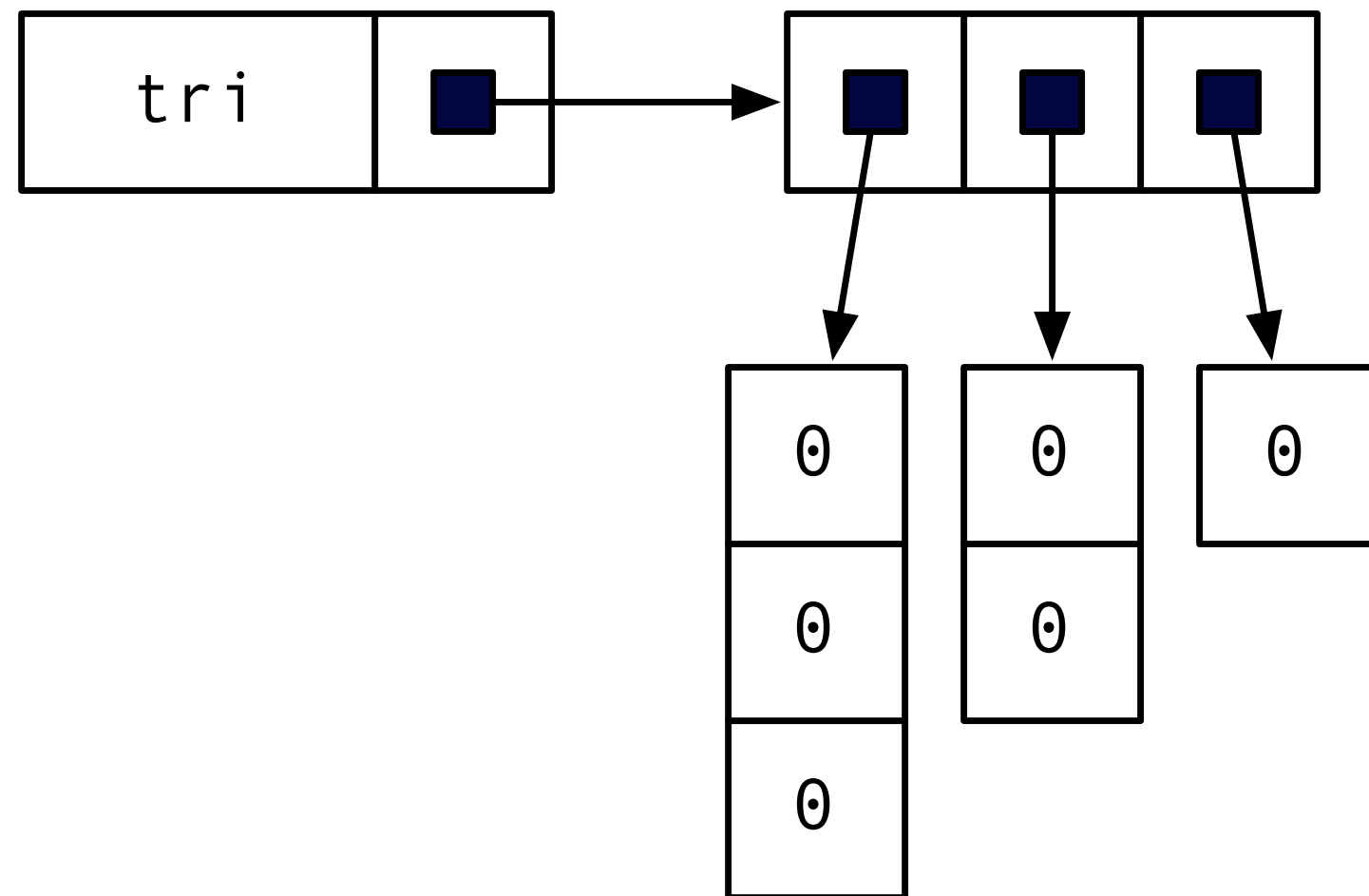
```
int[][] twoDee = new int[3][3];  
twoDee[0][1] = 4;  
twoDee[1][2] = 5;  
twoDee[2][0] = 6;
```



**How would we iterate
through such an array?**

Every sub-array need not
have the same length!

```
int[][] tri = new int[3][];  
int i;  
for (i = 0; i < tri.length; i++) {  
    tri[i] = new int[3 - i];  
}
```



**How would we iterate
through such an array?**

How to iterate through every element in a jagged array (setting each to 37):

```
// assume int[][] tri  
  
for (int i = 0; i < tri.length; i++)  
    for (int j = 0; j < tri[i].length; j++)  
        tri[i][j] = 37;
```

***Review:* how do we
write array literals?**

**How do you suppose we
write multi-dimensional
array literals?**

How to write multi-dimensional array literals

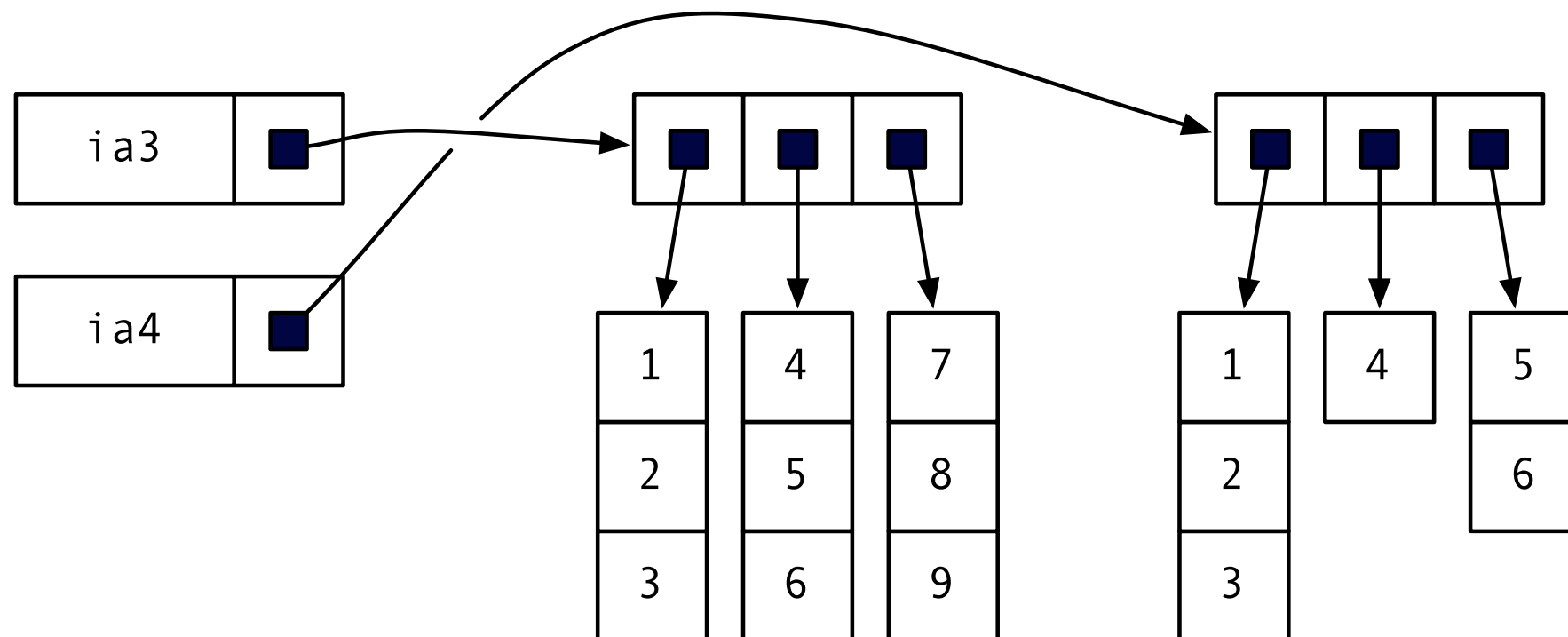
```
int[][] ia3 = { {1, 2, 3},  
                {4, 5, 6},  
                {7, 8, 9} };
```

```
int[][] ia4 = { {1, 2, 3}, {4}, {5, 6} };
```

How to write multi-dimensional array literals

```
int[][] ia3 = { {1, 2, 3},  
               {4, 5, 6},  
               {7, 8, 9} };
```

```
int[][] ia4 = { {1, 2, 3}, {4}, {5, 6} };
```



2D puzzle

- Write a method that visits each element of a 2D array with only one for loop, assigning some value to each

Let's say we want to write this code
without a nested for loop.

```
public static void fillArray1(int[][] arg) {  
    int k = 0;  
  
    for (int i = 0; i < arg.length; i++) {  
        for (int j = 0; j < arg[i].length; j++) {  
            arg[i][j] = k++;  
        }  
    }  
}
```

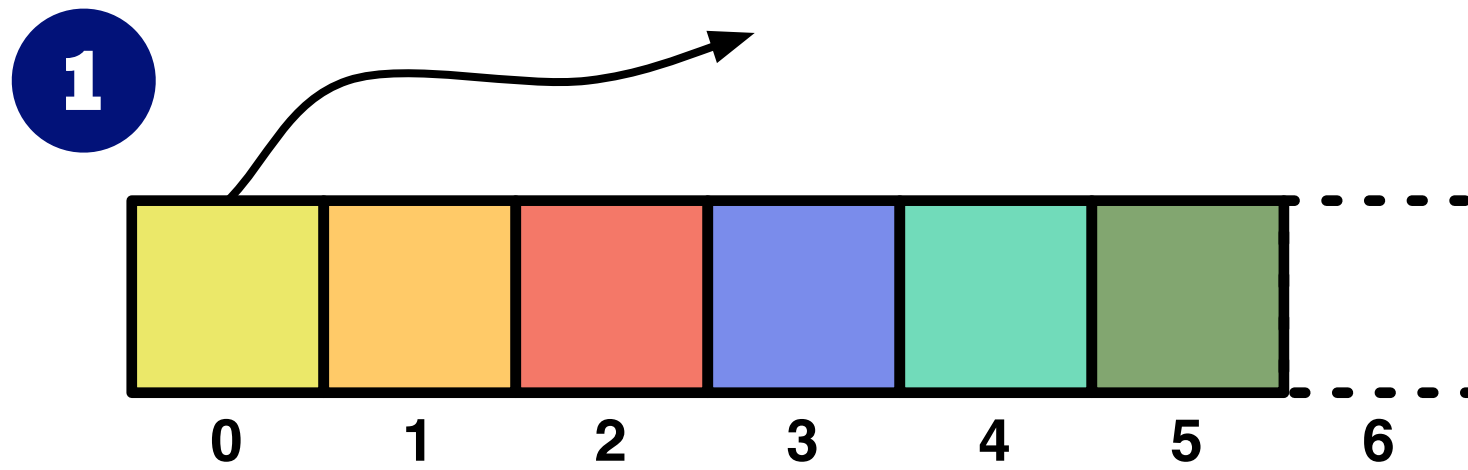
```
public static void fillArray(int[][] arg) {  
    final int X = arg.length;  
    final int Y = arg[0].length;  
  
    for (int k = 0; k < X * Y; k++) {  
        int x = k / Y;  
        int y = k % Y;  
        arg[x][y] = k;  
    }  
}
```

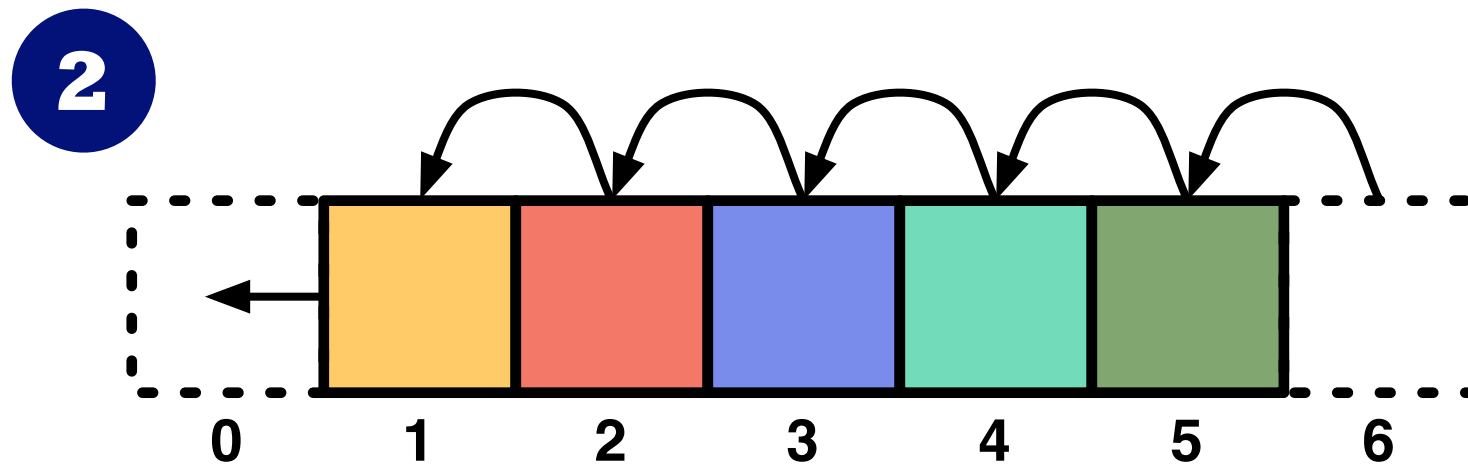
```
public static void fillArray(int[][] arg) {  
    final int X = arg.length;  
    final int Y = arg[0].length;  
  
    for (int k = 0; k < X * Y; k++) {  
        int x = k / Y;  
        int y = k % Y;  
        arg[x][y] = k;  
    }  
}
```

(What assumptions does this code
make about arg?)

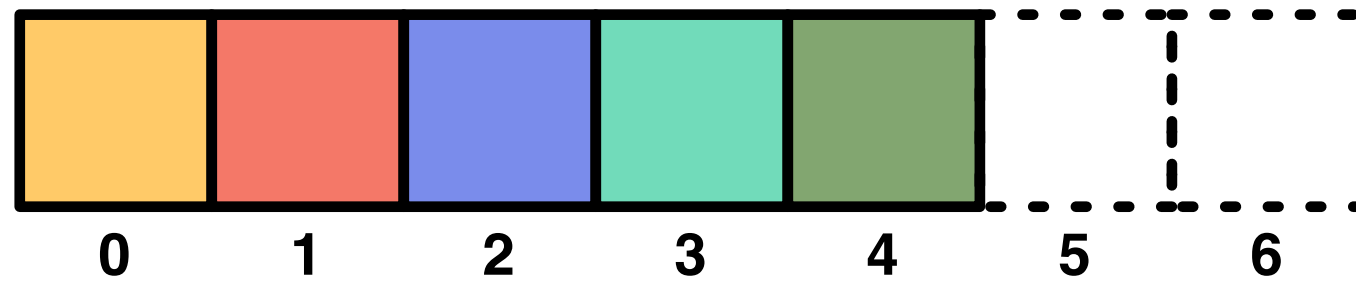
Some things are a little tricky
with arrays, like inserting and
removing elements.

**What does your program need
to do to remove the first
element from an array?**





3

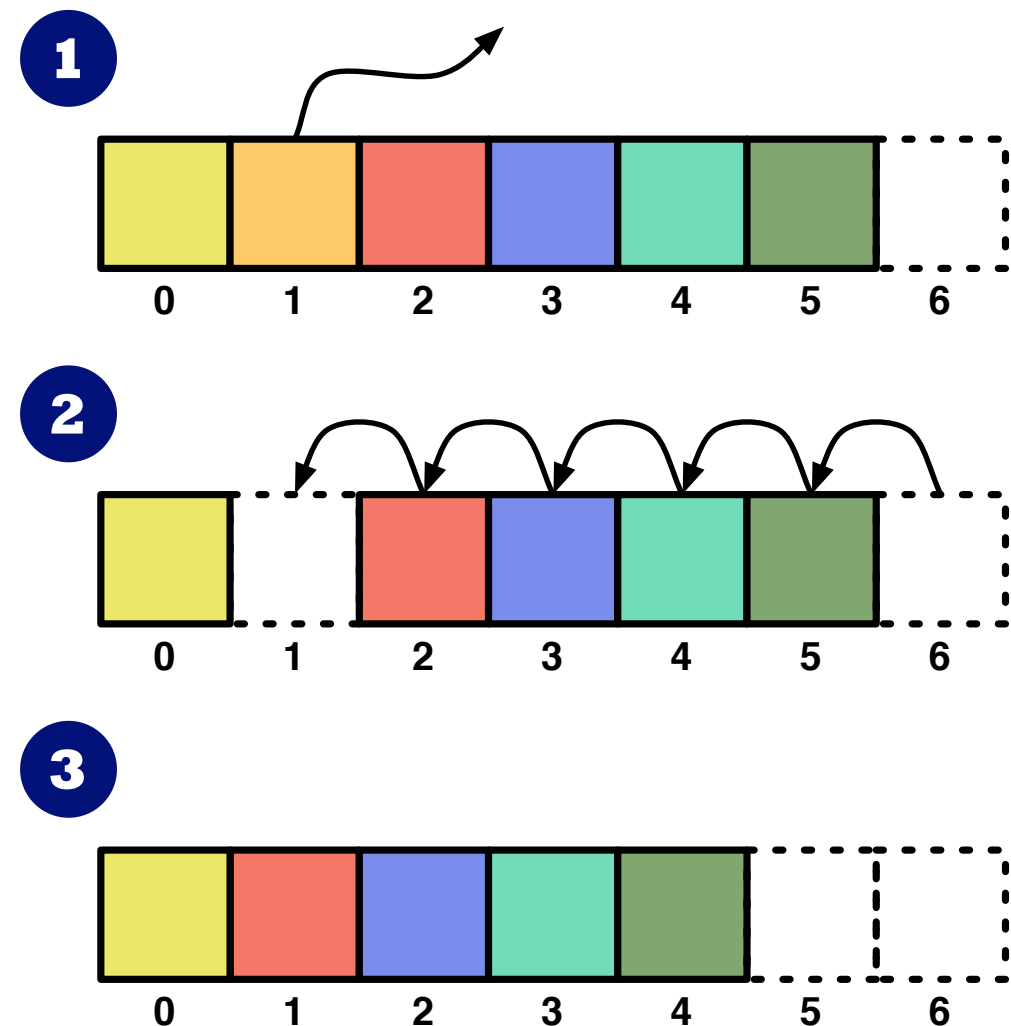


**How would you write
code to remove an
element from an array?**

(What about inserting an element?)

Removing elements

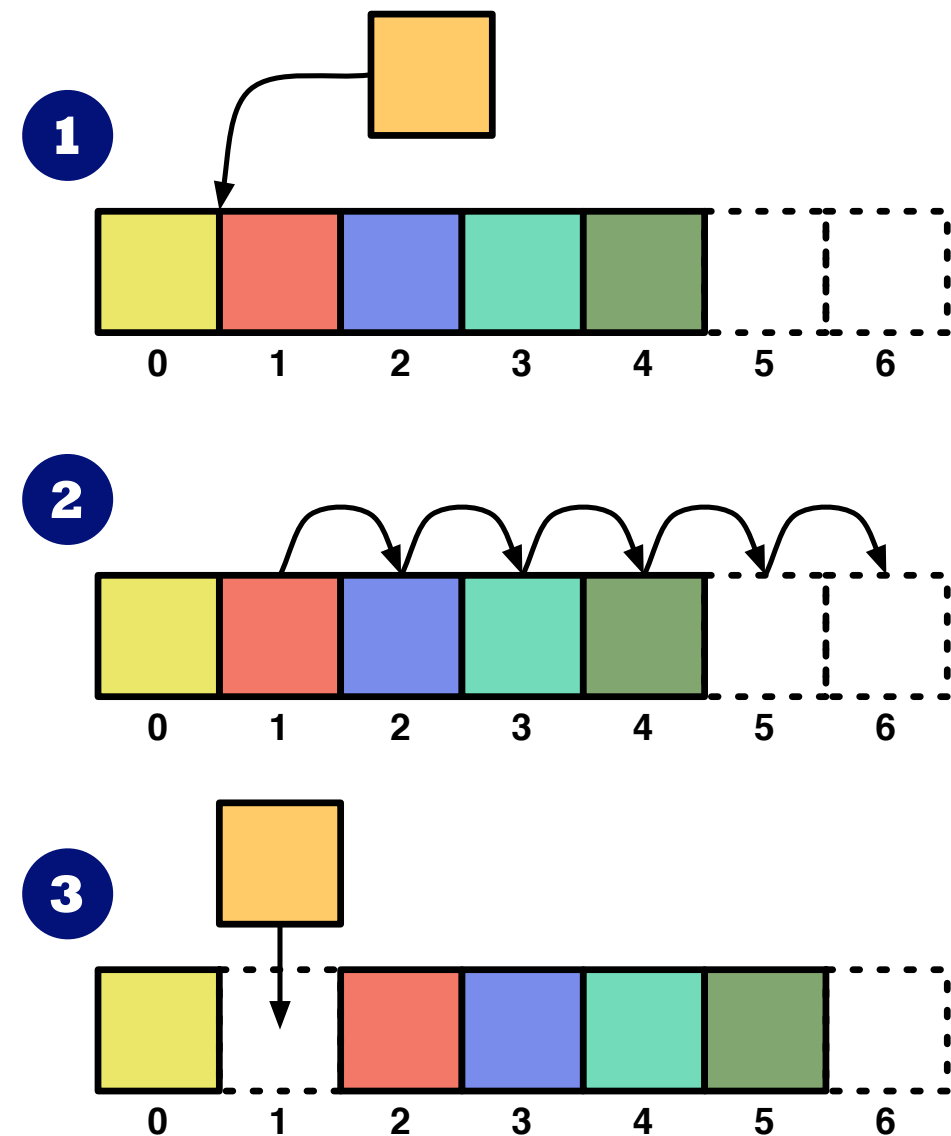
- In general, to remove element n , shift every element to the right of n to its left
- Be sure to add an additional `null` at the end!
- What would this code look like?



```
public static String remove(int elt, String[] arr) {  
    String ret = arr[elt];  
    for (int i = elt + 1; i < arr.length; i++) {  
        arr[i-1] = arr[i];  
    }  
    arr[arr.length] = null;  
    return ret;  
}
```

Inserting elements

- To insert an element before element n , shift every element from n on to the right
- You may have to resize the array if there's not enough space!
- **What would this code look like?**



Partially-filled arrays

- Sometimes, not every element of an array will contain a useful value
 - “extra space” at end
 - “holes” in middle
- How do we deal with these situations?

Metadata

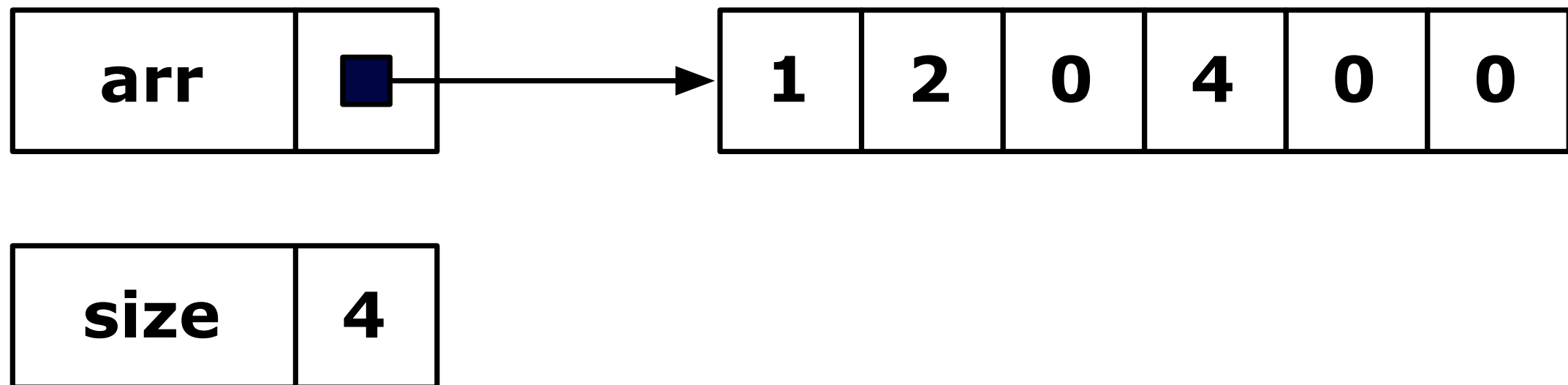
- Metadata is “data about data”
- “data” is what’s in your array
- “metadata” is information about your array
 - e.g. length field
- We can use metadata to handle partially-filled arrays

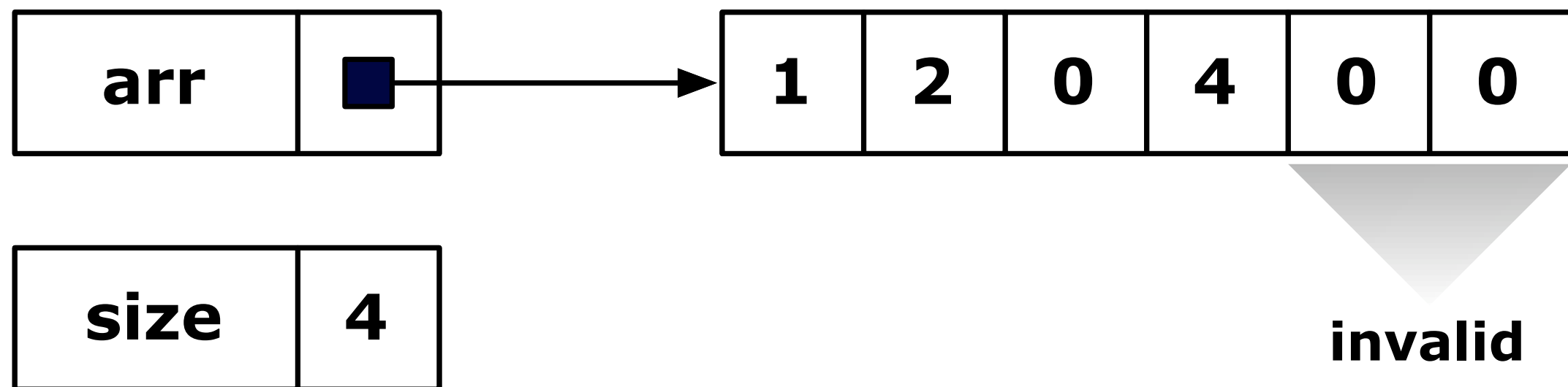
Contiguous arrays

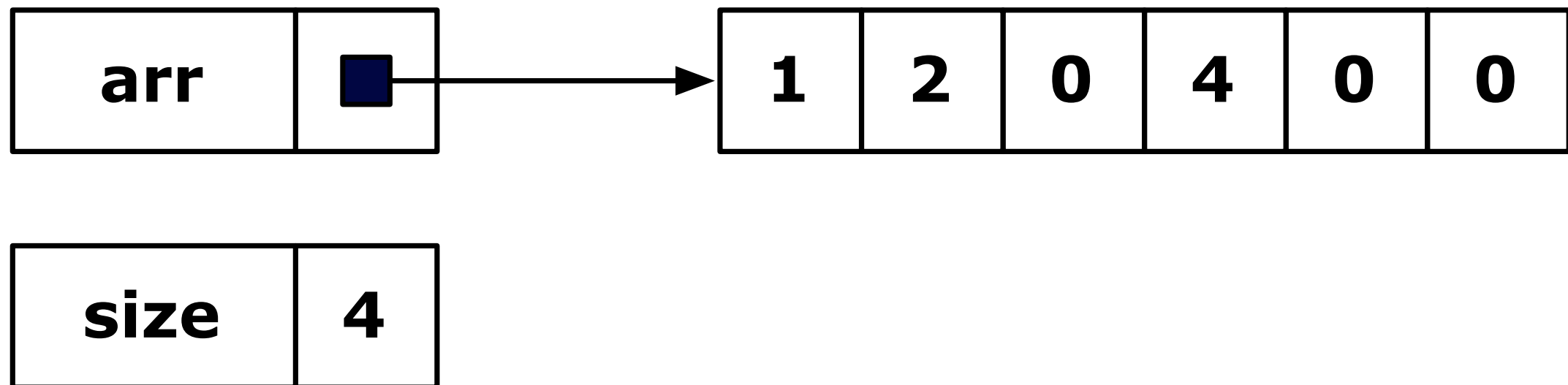
- Like a deck of cards in a box: you remove an element, but there are no “holes” -- you just aren’t using the whole box
- **How do we keep track of such an array?**

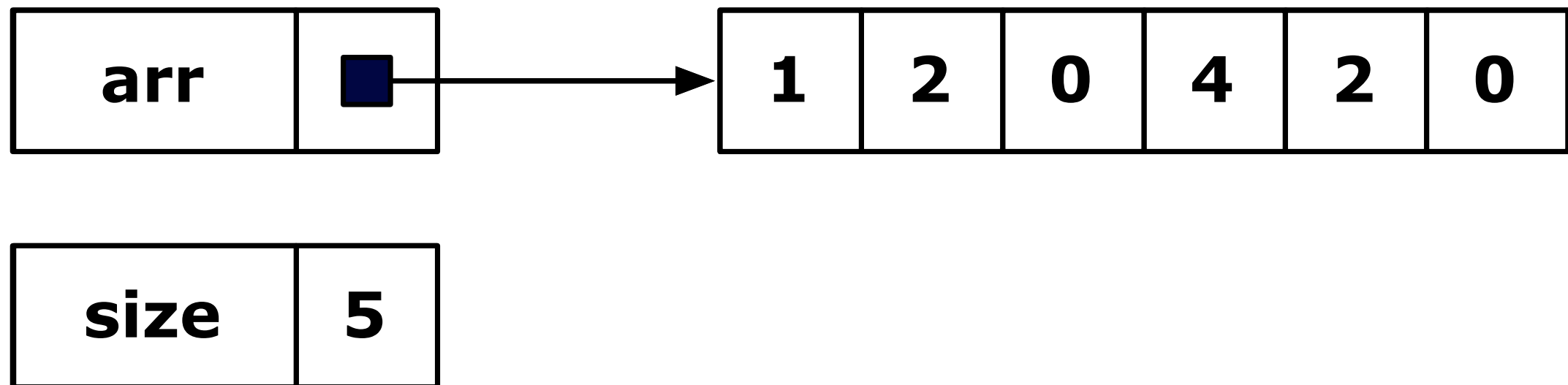
Idea

- Maintain a “size” variable along with the array
 - or, better yet, an instance field
- Everything from `arr[size]` to `arr[arr.length]` is not valid
- Must update size when inserting, removing, or adding elements!









Of course, it would be best to
package these data up in a class!

Sparse arrays

- Like a parking lot -- when you remove something, it creates a hole
- **What problems do we have to solve?**
- **How should we solve them?**

