Object Oriented Programming

#7 Array

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Background

Suppose you write a program that reads a sequence of values and prints out the sequence, marking the largest value, like this:

```
32
54
67.5
29
35
80
115 <= largest value
44.5
100
65
```

Storing a sequence of values

- Therefore, the program must first store all values before it can print them.
- Could you simply store each value in a separate variable? (value1,value2,...,value10)
- However, such a sequence of variables is not very practical to use. You would have to write quite a bit of code ten times, once for each of the variables.
- In Java, an array is a much better choice for storing a sequence of values of the same type.

Declaring Array

1. Here is the declaration of an array variable of type double[]

```
double[] values;
```

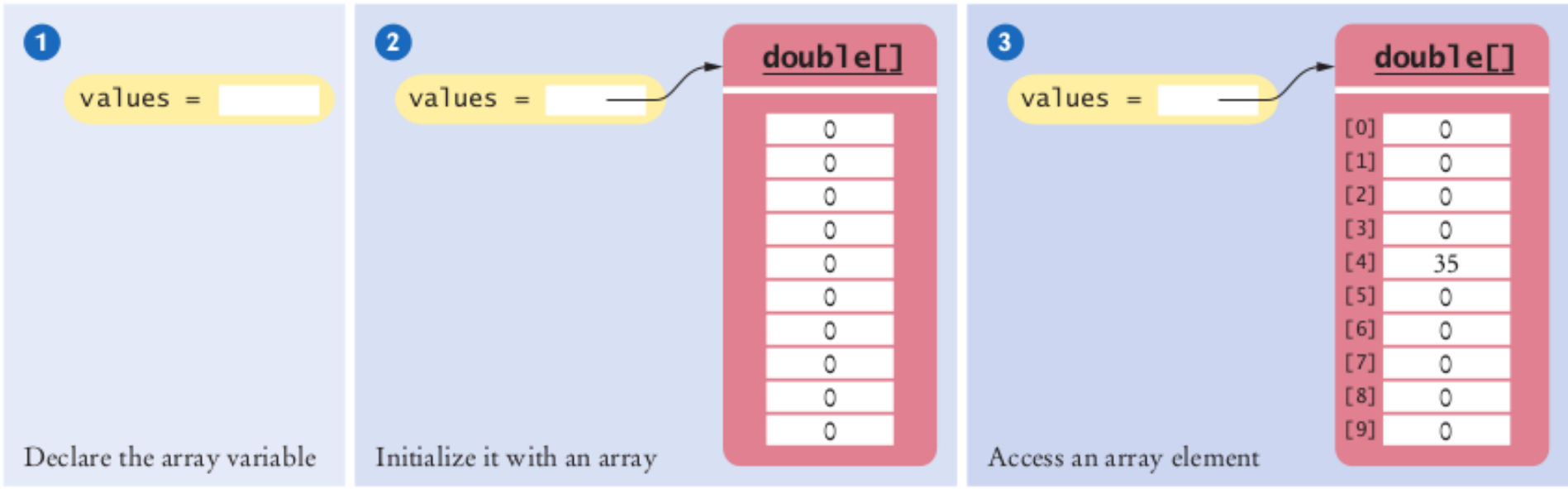
2. When you declare an array variable, it is not yet initialized. You need to initialize the variable with the array:

```
double[] values = new double[10];
```

3. To access a value in an array, you specify which "slot" you want to use. That is done with the [] operator:

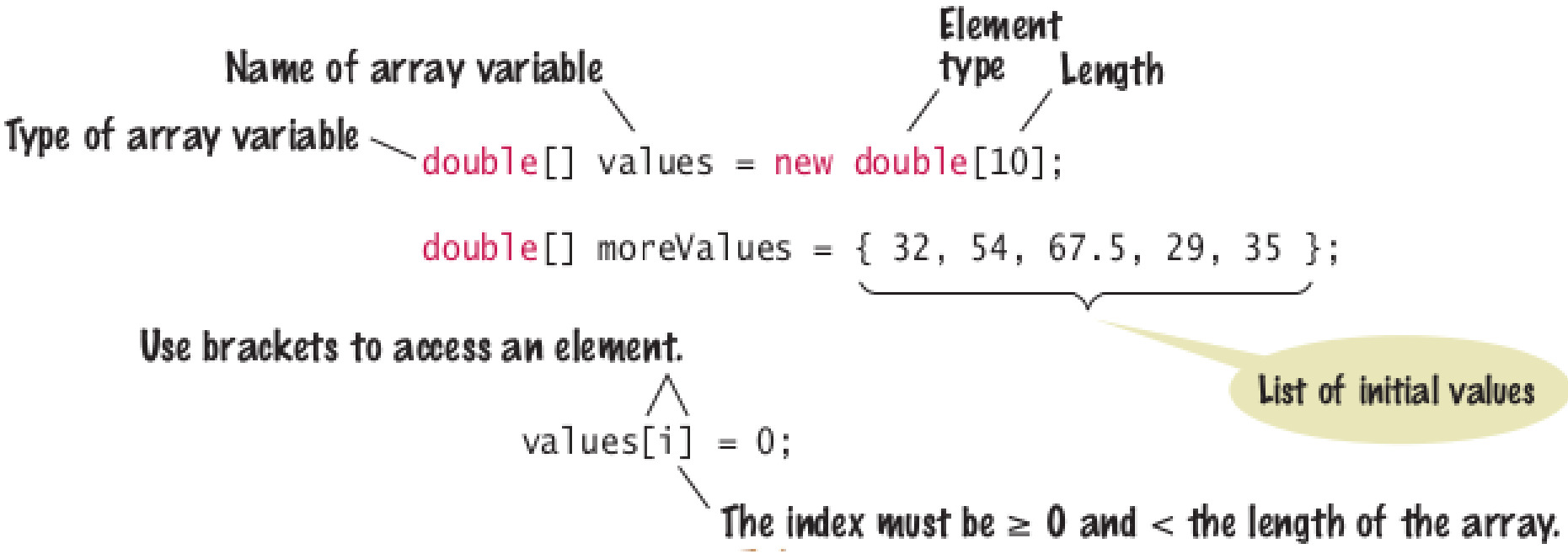
```
values[4] = 35;
```

Declaring Array



Array syntax

Syntax	To construct an array:	`new` *typeName*`[`*length*`]`
	To access an element:	*arrayReference*`[`*index*`]`



Array syntax

Table 1 Declaring Arrays

`int[] numbers = new int[10];`	An array of ten integers. All elements are initialized with zero.
`final int LENGTH = 10;` `int[] numbers = new int[LENGTH];`	It is a good idea to use a named constant instead of a "magic number".
`int length = in.nextInt();` `double[] data = new double[length];`	The length need not be a constant.
`int[] squares = { 0, 1, 4, 9, 16 };`	An array of five integers, with initial values.
`String[] friends = { "Emily", "Bob", "Cindy" };`	An array of three strings.
`double[] data = new int[10];`	**Error:** You cannot initialize a `double[]` variable with an array of type `int[]`.

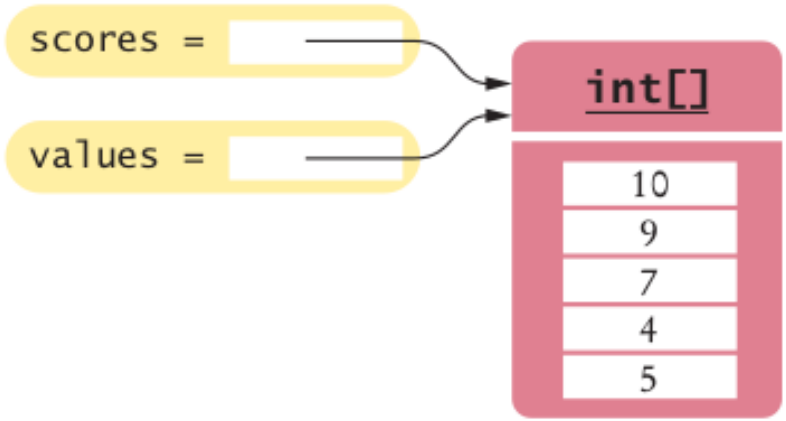
Array References

- When you copy an array variable into another, both variables refer to the same array

```
int[] scores = { 10, 9, 7, 4, 5 };
int[] values = scores; // Copying array reference
```

- You can modify the array through either of the variables:

```
scores[3] = 10;
System.out.println(values[3]); // Prints 10
```



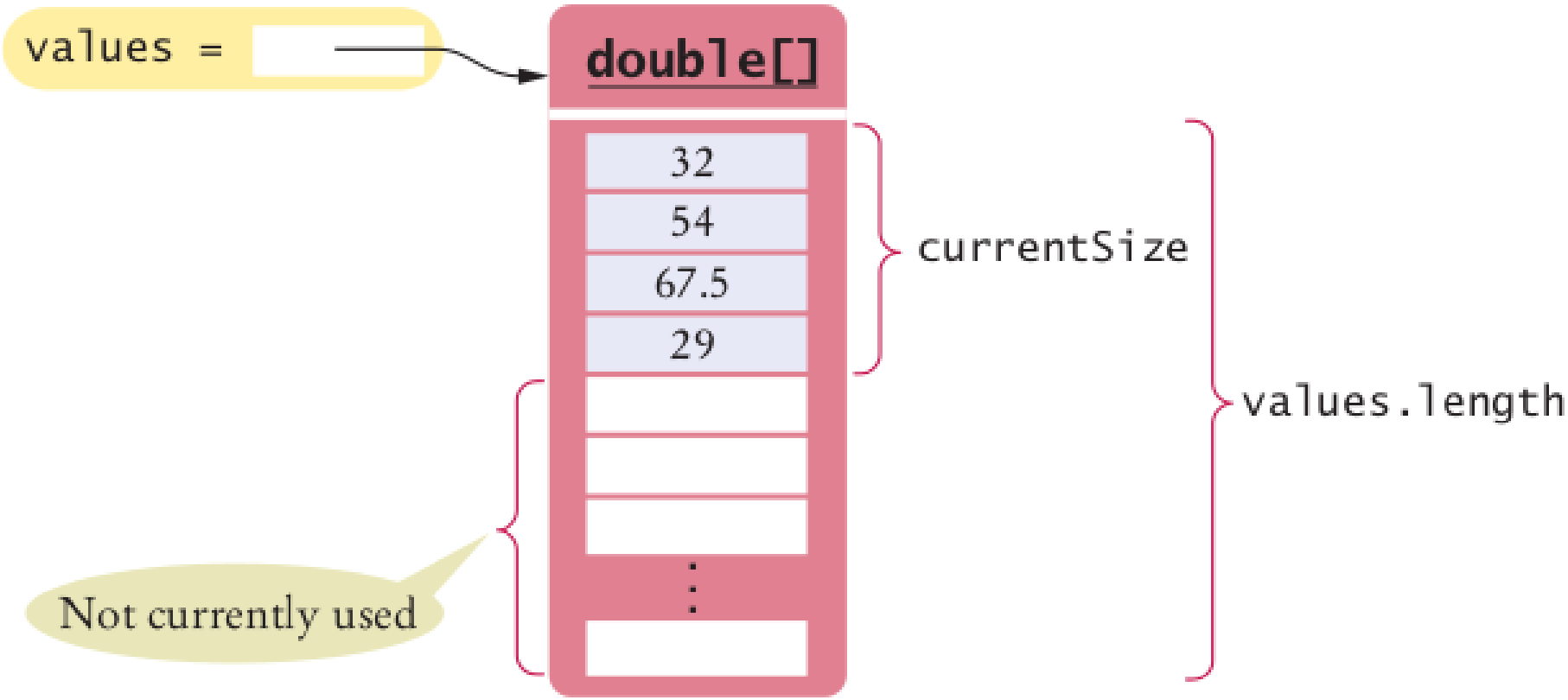
Partially Filled Array

- An array cannot change size at run time.
- This is a problem when you don't know in advance how many elements you need.
- In that situation, you must come up with a good guess on the maximum number of elements that you need to store.
- For example, we may decide that we sometimes want to store more than ten elements, but never more than 100:

```
final int LENGTH = 100;
double[] values = new double[LENGTH];
```

- In a typical program run, only a part of the array will be occupied by actual elements
- We call such an array a **partially filled array**.
- You must keep a *companion variable* that counts how many elements are actually used

Partially Filled Array



Partially Filled Array

- The following loop collects inputs and fills up the values array:

```
int currentSize = 0;
Scanner in = new Scanner(System.in);
while (in.hasNextDouble())
{
  if (currentSize < values.length)
  {
    values[currentSize] = in.nextDouble();
    currentSize++;
  }
}
```

- At the end of this loop, *currentSize* contains the actual number of elements in the array.
- Note that you have to stop accepting inputs if the *currentSize* companion variable reaches the array length.

The Enhanced for Loop

- Often, you need to visit all elements of an array
- The *enhanced for loop* makes this process particularly easy to program.
- Here is how you use the enhanced for loop to total up all elements in an array named values :

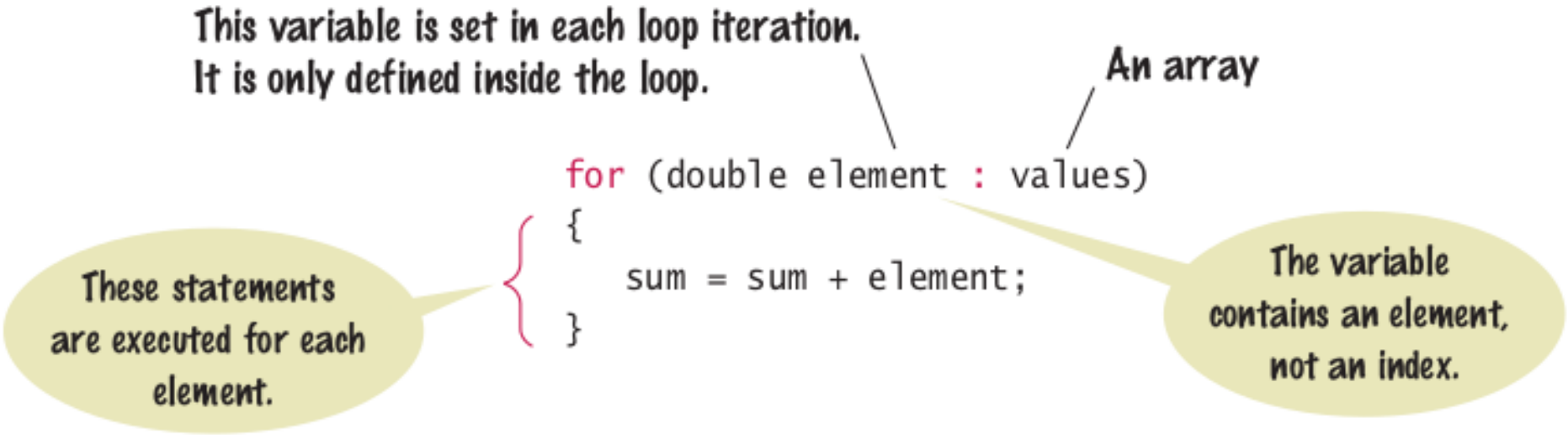
```
double[] values = . . .;
double total = 0;
for (double element : values)
{
  total = total + element;
}
```

- The loop body is executed for each element in the array values.
- At the beginning of each loop iteration, the next element is assigned to the variable element.
- Then the loop body is executed.

The Enhanced for Loop

Syntax

```
for (typeName variable : collection)
{
   statements
}
```



Filling

- This loop fills an array with squares (0, 1, 4, 9, 16, ...). Note that the element with index 0 contains 0^2, the element with index 1 contains 1^2 , and so on.:

```
for (int i = 0; i < values.length; i++)
{
  values[i] = i * i;
}
```

Sum and Average Value

- When the values are located in an array, the code looks much simpler:

```
double total = 0;
for (double element : values)
{
  total = total + element;
}
double average = 0;
if (values.length > 0) { average = total /
    values.length; }
```

Maximum and Minimum

- Here is the implementation of that algorithm for an array:

```
double largest = values[0];
for (int i = 1; i < values.length; i++)
{
  if (values[i] > largest)
  {
    largest = values[i];
  }
}
```

- Note that the loop starts at 1 because we initialize largest with values[0] .
- To compute the smallest element, reverse the comparison.
- These algorithms require that the array contain at least one element.

Element Separators

- When you display the elements of an array, you usually want to separate them, often with commas or vertical lines, like this:

```
32 | 54 | 67.5 | 29 | 35
```

- Note that there is one fewer separator than there are numbers. Print the separator before each element in the sequence except the initial one (with index 0) like this:

```
for (int i = 0; i < values.length; i++)
{
  if (i > 0)
  {
    System.out.print(" | ");
  }
  System.out.print(values[i]);
}
```

Linear Search

- You often need to search for the position of a specific element in an array so that you can replace or remove it.
- Visit all elements until you have found a match or you have come to the end of the array.
- Here we search for the position of the first element in an array that is equal to 100:

```
int searchedValue = 100;
int pos = 0;
boolean found = false;
while (pos < values.length && !found)
{
  if (values[pos] == searchedValue)
  {
    found = true;
  }
  else
  {
```

Removing an Element

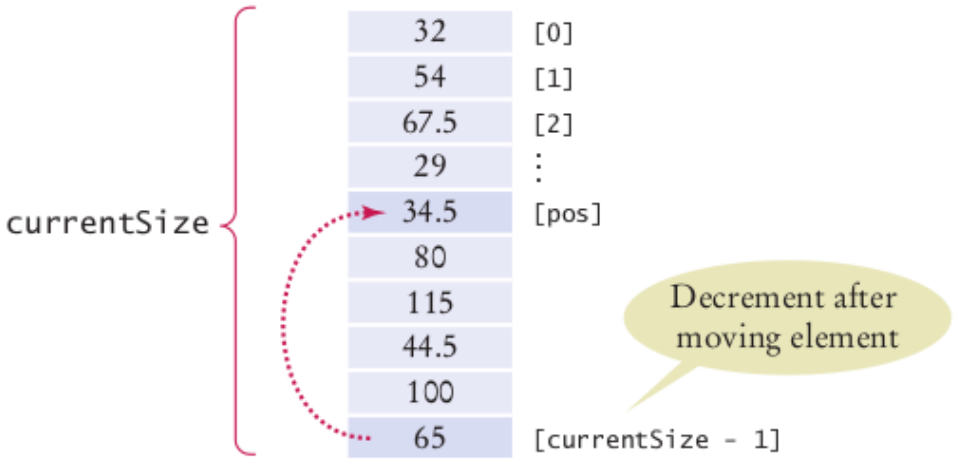
- If the elements in the array are not in any particular order, simply overwrite the element to be removed with the last element of the array, then decrement the currentSize variable.

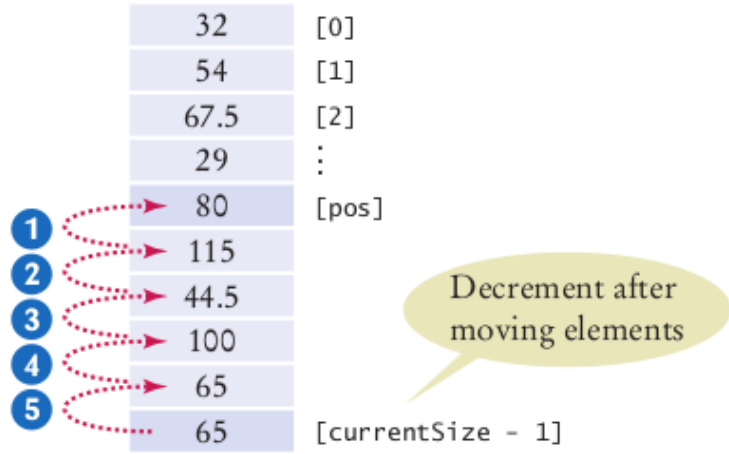
```
values[pos] = values[currentSize - 1];
currentSize--;
```

- The situation is more complex if the order of the elements matters. Then you must move all elements following the element to be removed to a lower index, and then decrement the variable holding the size of the array.

```
for (int i = pos + 1; i < currentSize; i++)
{
  values[i - 1] = values[i];
}
currentSize--;
```

Removing an Element





Inserting an Element

- If the order of the elements does not matter, you can simply insert new elements at the end, incrementing the variable tracking the size.

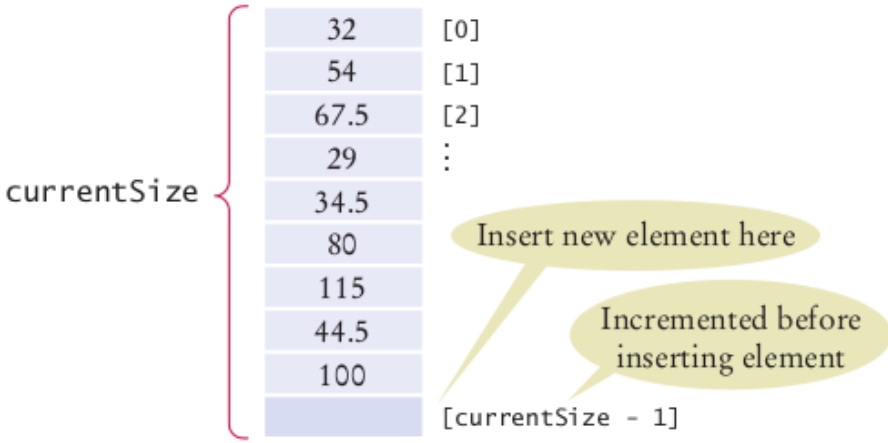
```
if (currentSize < values.length)
{
  currentSize++;
  values[currentSize - 1] = newElement;
}
```

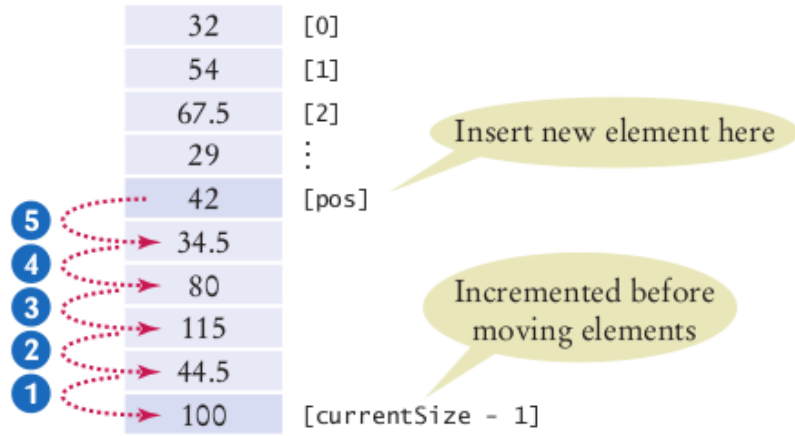
Inserting an Element

- When you insert an element, you start at the end of the array, move that element to a higher index, then move the one before that, and so on until you finally get to the insertion location.

```
if (currentSize < values.length)
{
  currentSize++;
  for (int i = currentSize - 1; i > pos; i--)
  {
    values[i] = values[i - 1];
  }
    values[pos] = newElement;
}
```

Inserting an Element





Swaping an Element

- Consider the task of swapping the elements at positions i and j of an array values . We'd like to set values[i] to values[j].
- But that overwrites the value that is currently stored in values[i] , so we want to save that first:

```
double temp = values[i];
values[i] = values[j];
```

- Now we can set values[j] to the saved value.

```
values[j] = temp;
```