

10.3-2.

Write the procedures `ALLOCATE-OBJECT` and `FREE-OBJECT` for a homogeneous collection of objects implemented by the single-array representation.

Answer.

The single-array representation of objects is shown in Figure 10.6. An object occupies a contiguous subarray $A[j..k]$ can be accessed by the index j . As the offset corresponding to *next* is 1, the pointer to its successor is $A[j + 1]$. Both `ALLOCATE-OBJECT` and `FREE-OBJECT` remains almost identical to the ones in the text, instead of retrieving from another array, the *next* attribute is accessed by adding an offset 1 to the current pointer.

`ALLOCATE-OBJECT()`

```
1  if free == NIL
2      error "out of space"
3  else x = free
4      free =  $A[x + 1]$ 
5      return x
```

`FREE-OBJECT(x)`

```
1   $A[x + 1] = \textit{free}$ 
2  free = x
```

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