

Array-based list

Source code

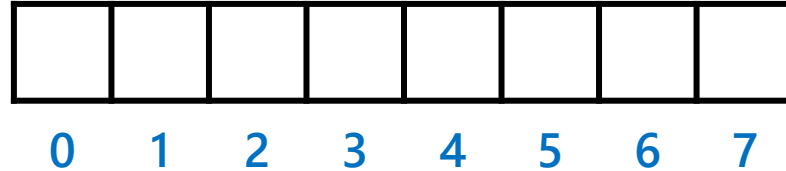
- ▶ available on Lectures page on onq
- ▶ see **list.h** and **list.c**
 - ▶ implements a dynamically resizable list of **int** elements
- ▶ new functions used:
 - ▶ **memcpy**
 - ▶ <https://en.cppreference.com/w/c/string/byte/memcpy>
 - ▶ **memmove**
 - ▶ <https://en.cppreference.com/w/c/string/byte/memmove>
 - ▶ **snprintf**
 - ▶ <https://en.cppreference.com/w/c/io/fprintf>

Lists

- ▶ a list is a sequence of elements of a single type
 - ▶ elements have positions 0, 1, 2, ...
- ▶ the size of a list is the number of elements in the list
 - ▶ the empty list has no elements
- ▶ the capacity of a list is the maximum number of elements that can be stored in the list
- ▶ adding an element to the list adds the element to the end of the list
 - ▶ increases the size by 1
- ▶ often convenient if the capacity automatically increases when the list becomes full

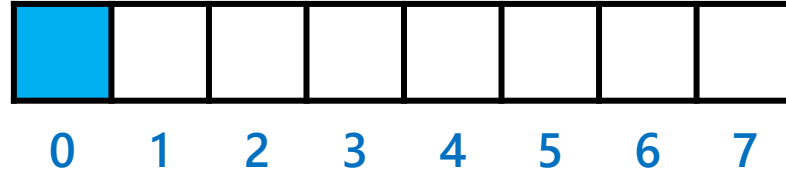
Empty list

- ▶ capacity of 8, size of 0
- ▶ valid indexes: none



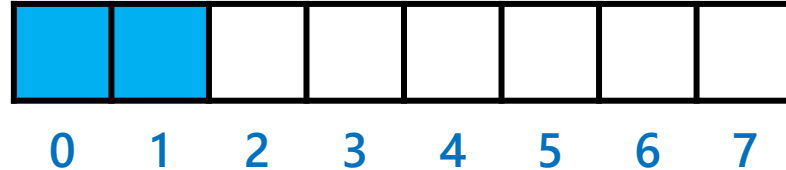
List of size 1

- ▶ adding an element to an empty list
- ▶ capacity of 8, size of 1
- ▶ valid indexes: 0



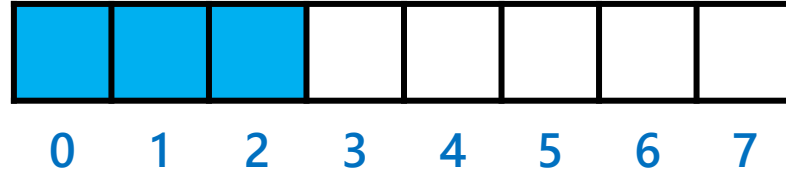
List of size 2

- ▶ adding an element to the previous list
- ▶ capacity of 8, size of 2
- ▶ valid indexes: 0, 1



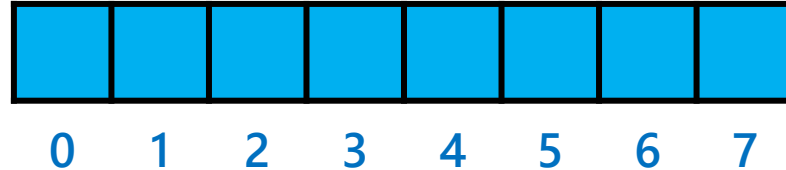
List of size 3

- ▶ adding an element to the previous list
- ▶ capacity of 8, size of 3
- ▶ valid indexes: 0, 1, 2



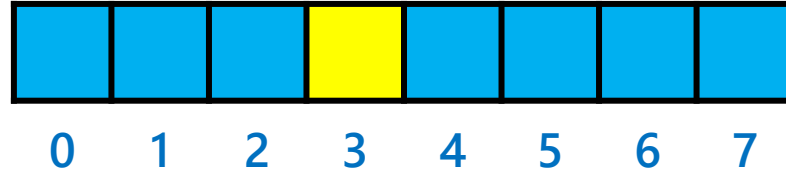
List of size 8

- ▶ adding 5 more elements to the previous list
- ▶ capacity of 8, size of 8
- ▶ valid indexes: 0 to (size - 1), inclusive



Getting/setting an element

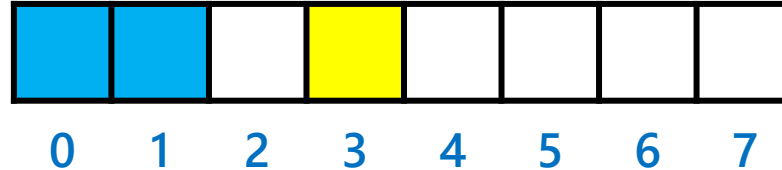
- ▶ an element can be retrieved/set using a zero-based index
 - ▶ e.g., getting the element at index 3 returns the value of the element shown in yellow



- ▶ e.g. setting the element at index 3 changes the value of the element shown in yellow

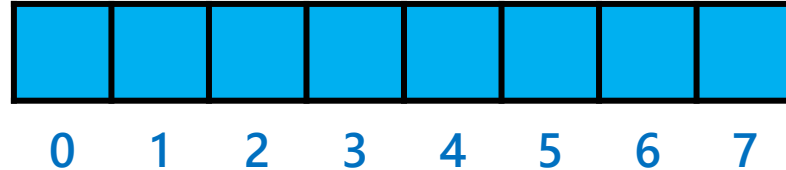
Getting/setting an element

- ▶ undefined behavior if the index is invalid
 - ▶ e.g., getting/setting the element at index 3 can cause anything to happen



Adding to a full list

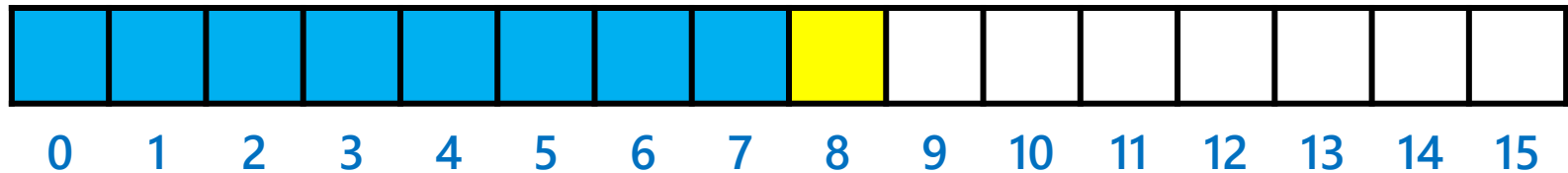
- ▶ in a resizable list, adding an element to a full list causes the list to resize its storage array and copy the existing elements into the newly allocated array



- ▶ the capacity of the new array should be a multiple (greater than 1) of the current capacity
 - ▶ e.g., double the current capacity

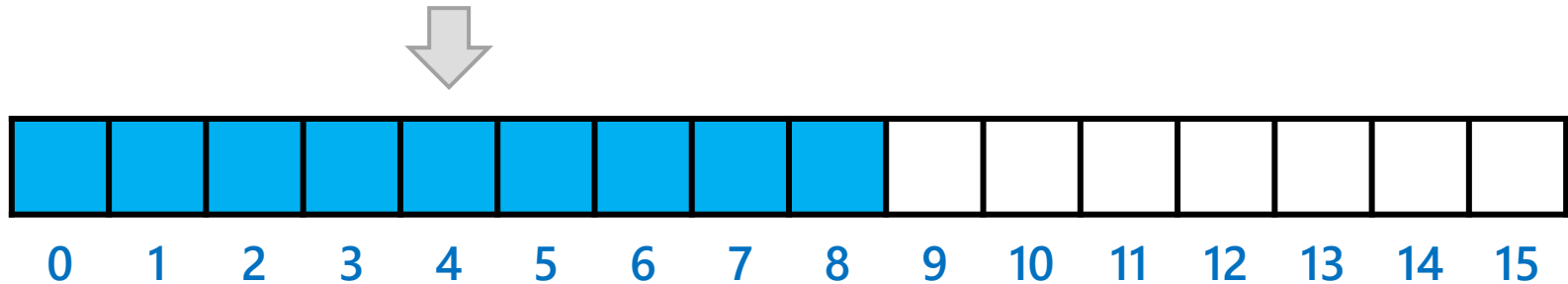
Adding to a full list

- ▶ after increasing the capacity of the array, the element is added to the end of the unoccupied part of the array (shown in yellow)



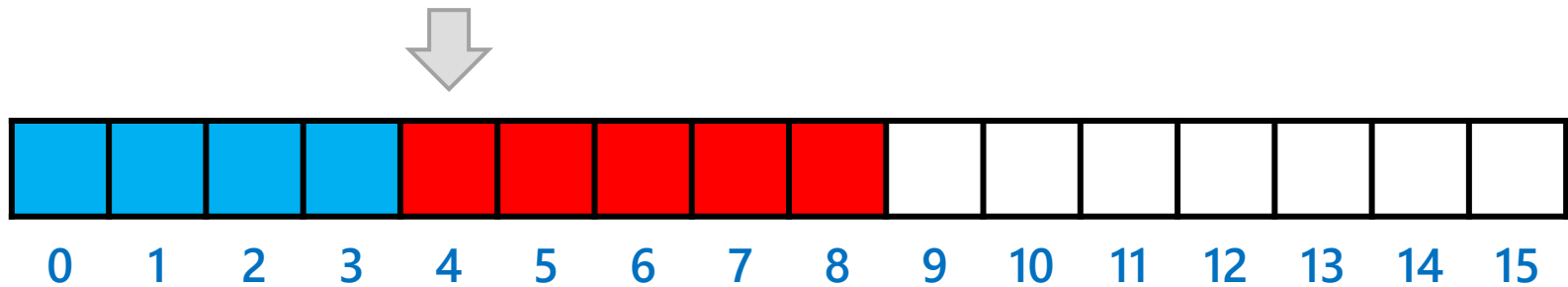
Insertion using an index

- ▶ inserting an element into a list at a specified index requires moving the current elements starting at the specified index one position to the right
- ▶ e.g., insert at index 4



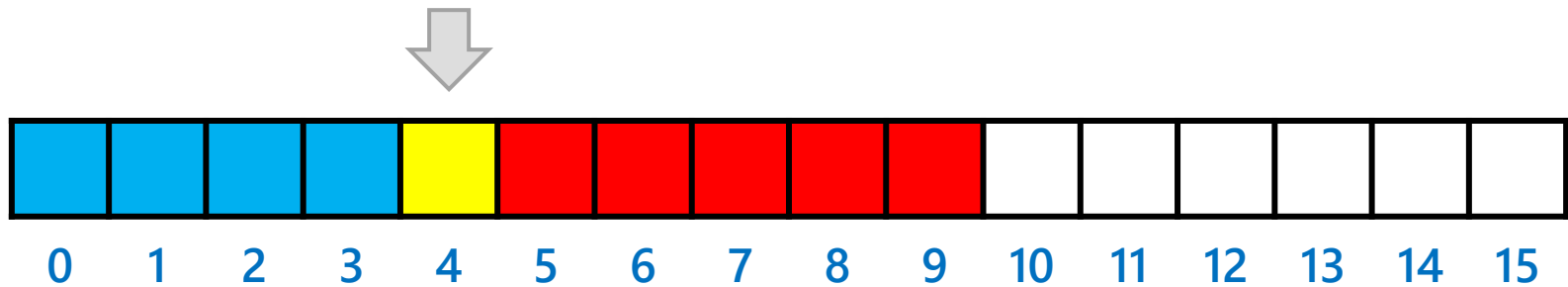
Insertion using an index

- ▶ shifting the elements in red one position to the right...



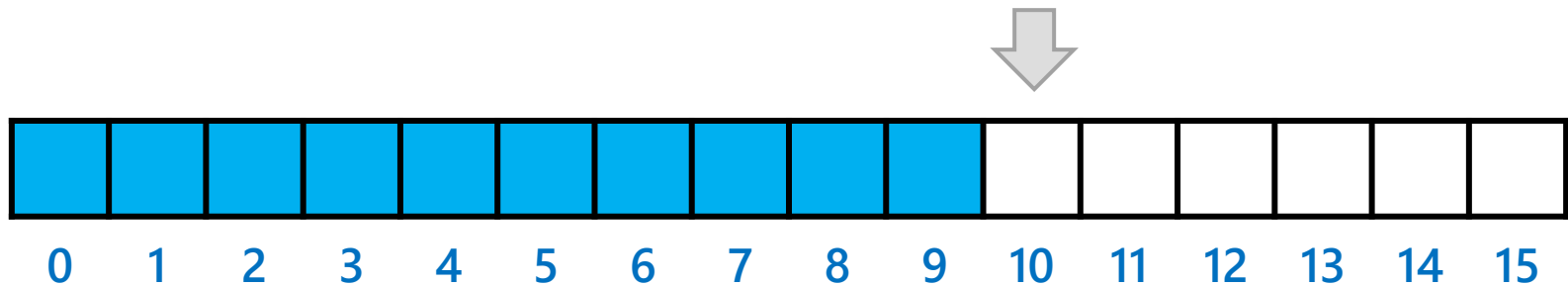
Insertion using an index

- ... makes room to insert the new element (shown in yellow)



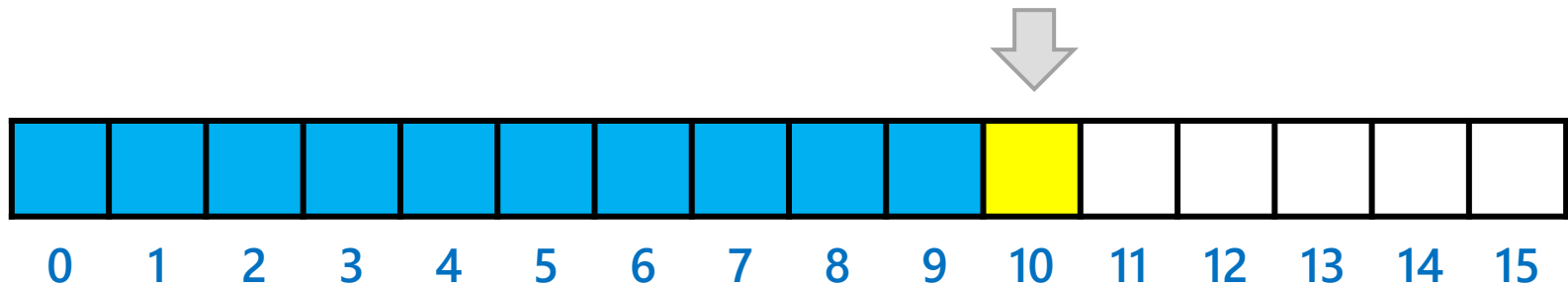
Insertion using an index

- ▶ inserting at the end of the list is usually allowed
 - ▶ slightly unusual because the index is not technically valid



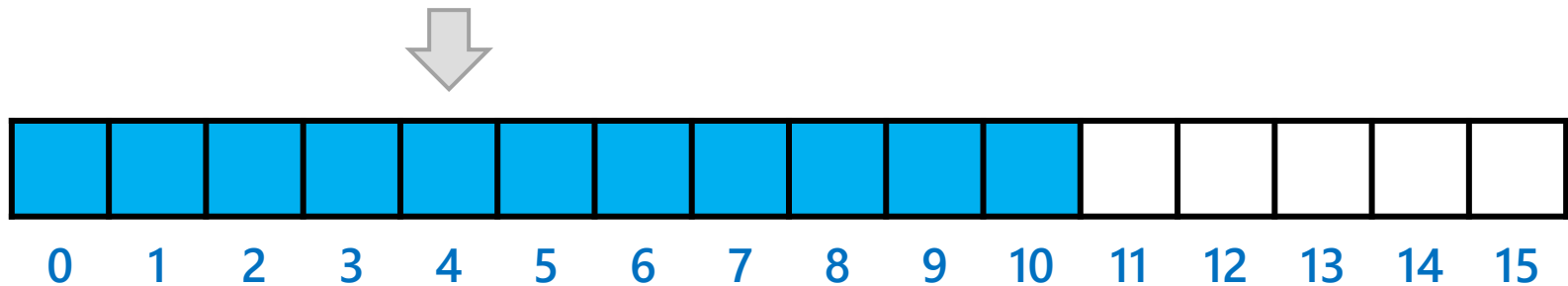
Insertion using an index

- ▶ can be implemented simply by calling the add function



Removing using an index

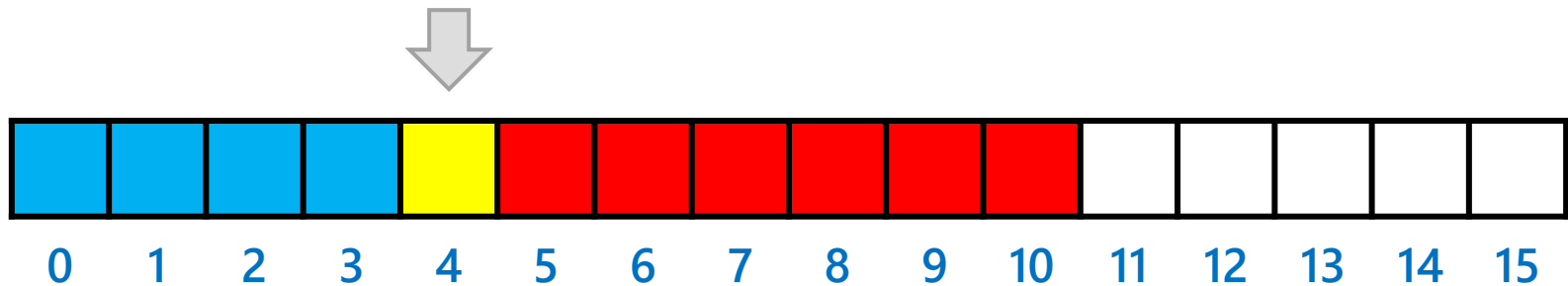
- ▶ removing an element at a specified index i requires moving the current elements starting at $(i + 1)$ one position to the left



- ▶ the removed element is usually returned to the caller

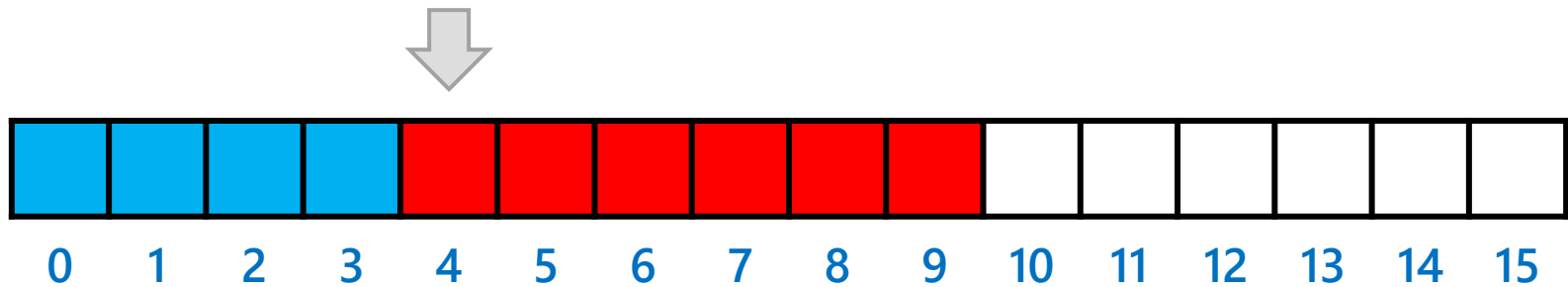
Removing using an index

- ▶ first copy the element shown in yellow so that it can be returned to the caller, then
- ▶ shifting the elements in red one position to the left...



Removing using an index

- ... removes the element at the specified index



assert

- ▶ including the header file **<assert.h>** allows the programmer to use the **assert** macro
 - ▶ a macro is a fragment of code that has been given a name
 - ▶ the preprocessor replaces all occurrences of the macro name with the macro code

assert(condition);

causes a running program to terminate if the condition is false

- ▶ assertions can be disabled via a command-line option to the compiler