

Lecture 22

Queues

(Array Implementation)

FIT 1008
Introduction to Computer Science



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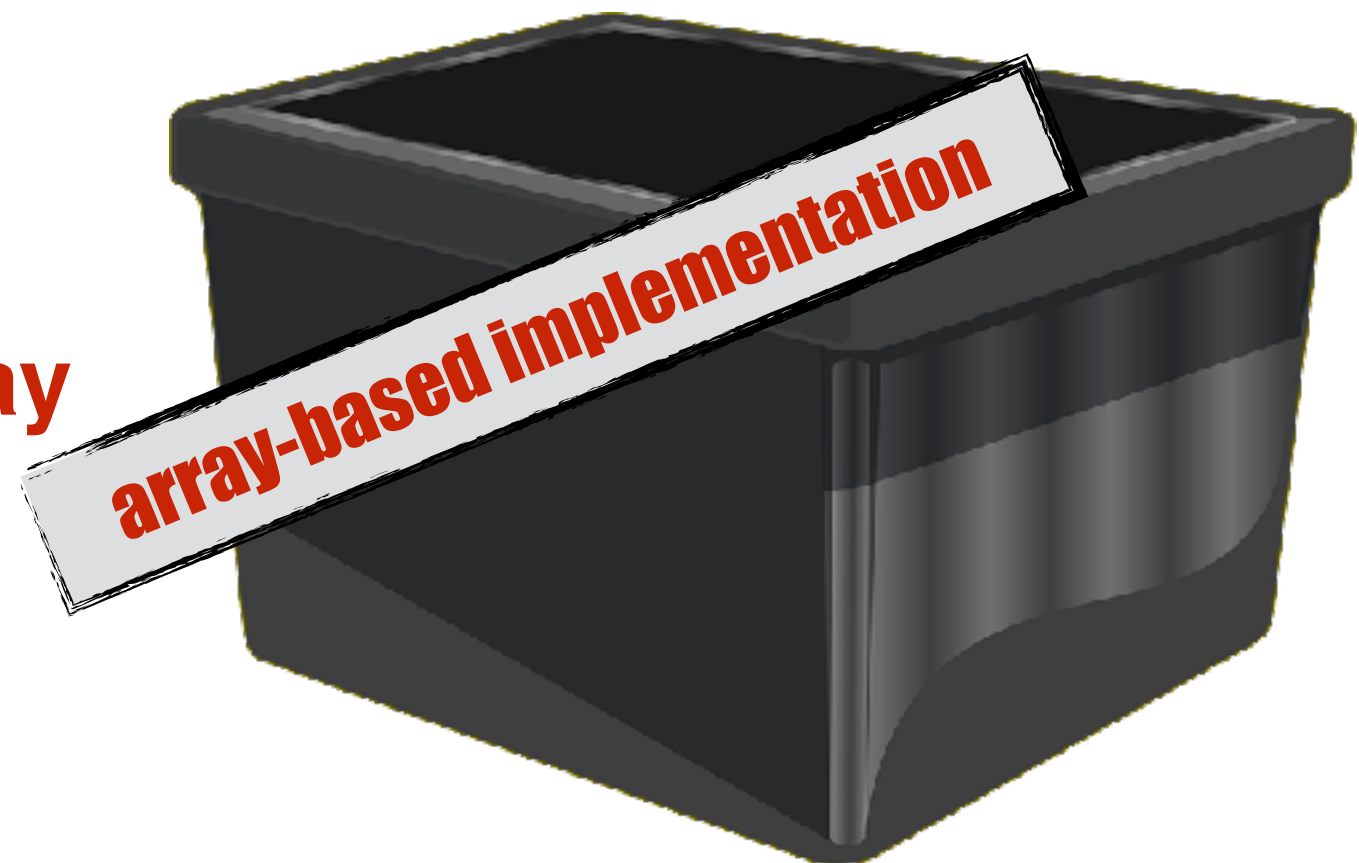
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Container ADTs

- **Stores** and removes items **independent of contents.**
- **Examples** include:
 - List ADT ☒
 - Stack ADT ☒
 - Queue ADT. ☐
- Core **operations**:
 - ➔ add item
 - ➔ remove item





“Form an orderly queue to the left..”

FIFO

- **FIFO** (First In First Out): The first element to arrive, is the first to be processed
- Data: The first element to be **added**, is the first to be deleted (or **served**)
- Access to any other element is unnecessary (and thus not allowed)

Queue Data Type

- Follows the **FIFO model**
- Its operations (interface) are:
 - **Create** the queue (Queue)
 - Add an item to the back (**append**)
 - Take an item off the front (**serve**)
 - Is the queue **empty**?
 - Is the queue **full**?
 - Empty the queue (**reset**)

Remember: you can only access the element at the front of the queue (first item inserted that is still in)

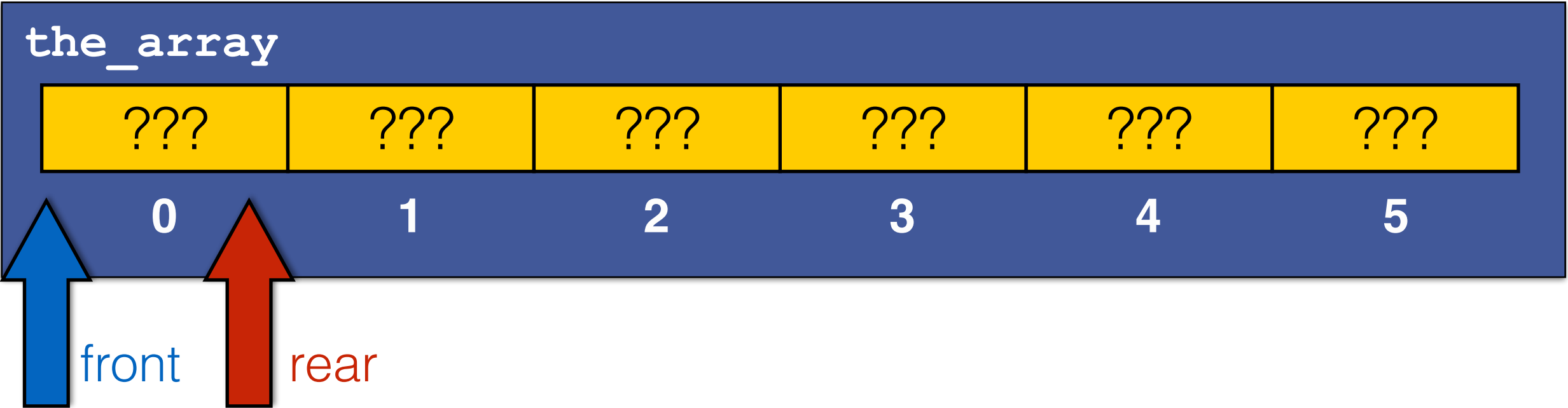
Possible implementation: linear queue

- We need to: **add items** at the rear. **take** items from the front.

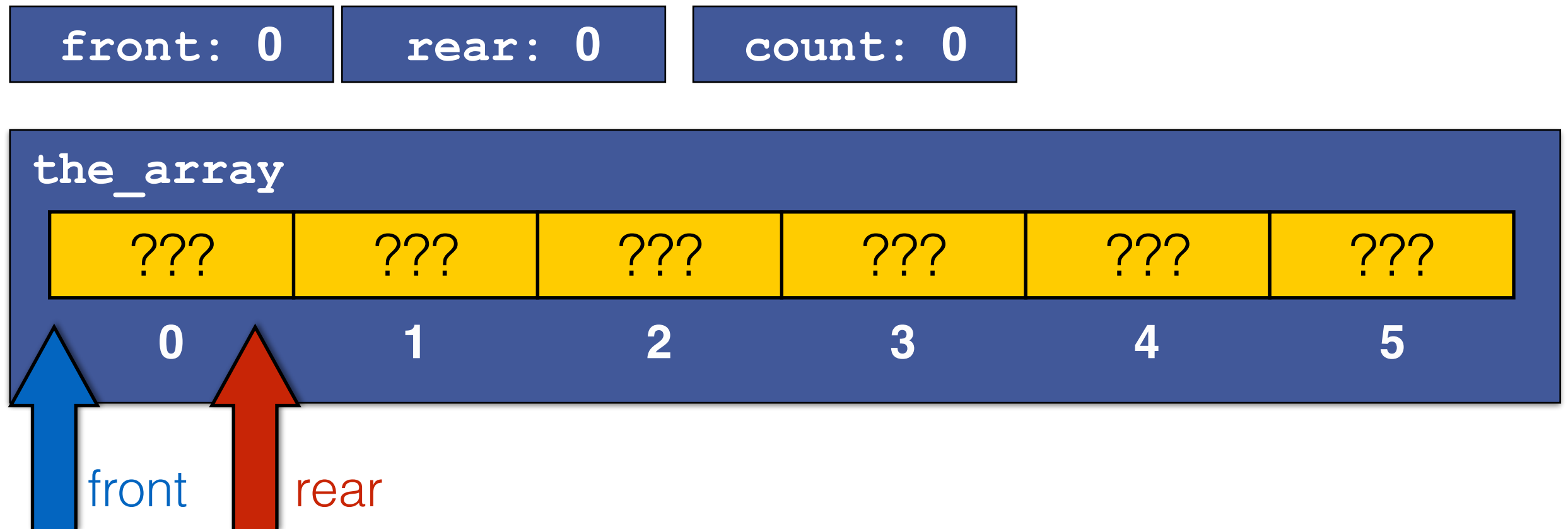
A single marker is not going to be enough.

- Lets try implementing queues using:
 - An **array** to store the items in the order they arrive.
 - An **integer** marking the front of the queue. Refers to the first element to be served.
 - An **integer** marking the rear of the queue. Refers to the first empty slot at the rear.
 - An integer **count** keeping track of the number of items.
- **Invariant:** valid data appears in `front ... rear-1` positions

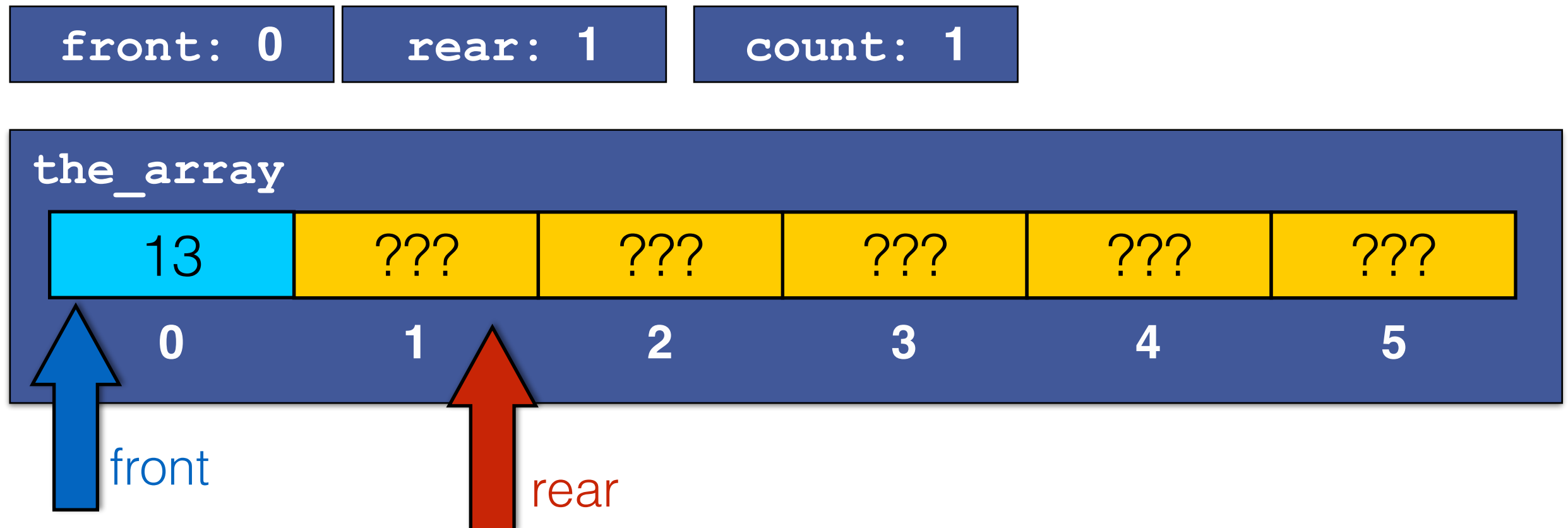
front: 0 rear: 0 count: 0



- Create a new queue: no items

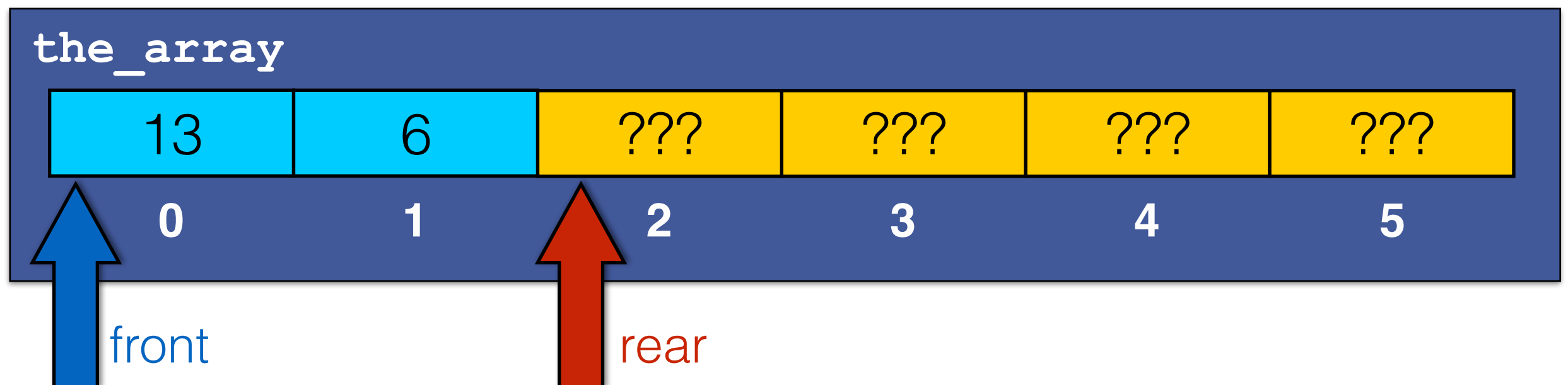


- Create a new queue: no items
- Append item 13



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- Append item 13
- Append item 6

front: 0 rear: 2 count: 2



- Create a new queue: no items
- Append item 13
- Append item 6
- Serve item 13

front: 1

rear: 2

count: 1

the_array

13

6

???

???

???

???

0

1

2

3

4

5

front

rear

Creating a Linear Queue

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rear: 2

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13

6

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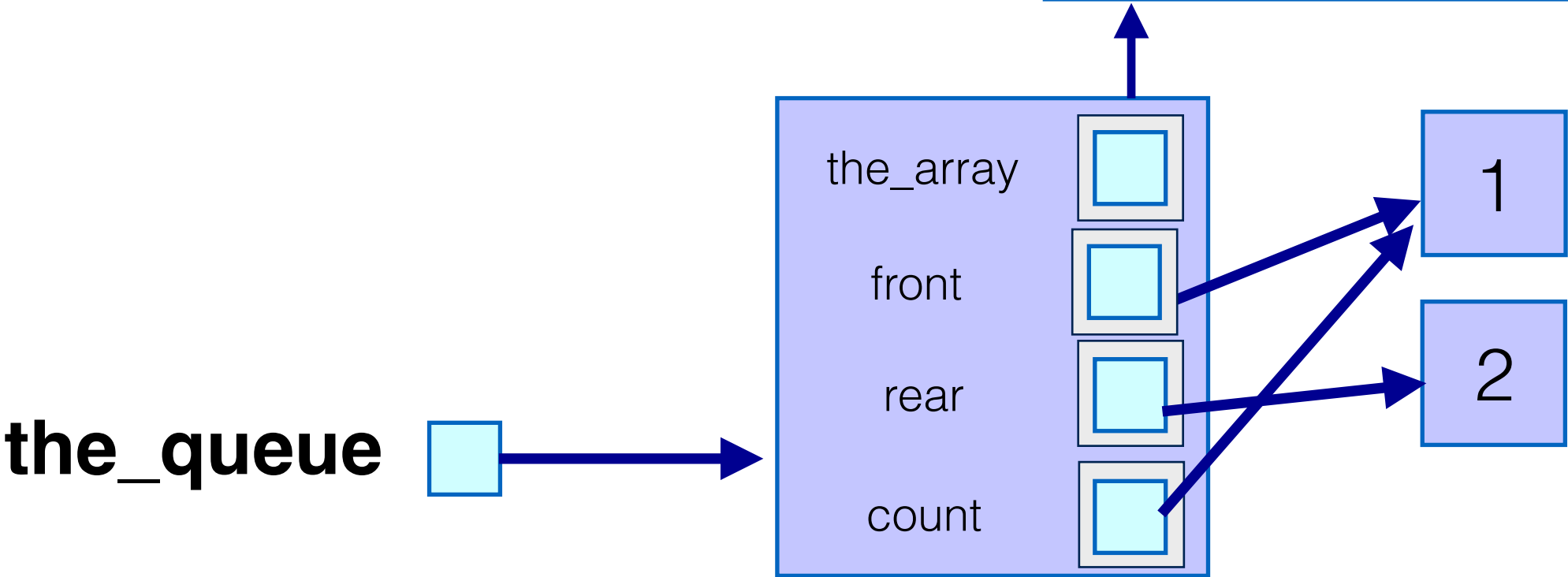
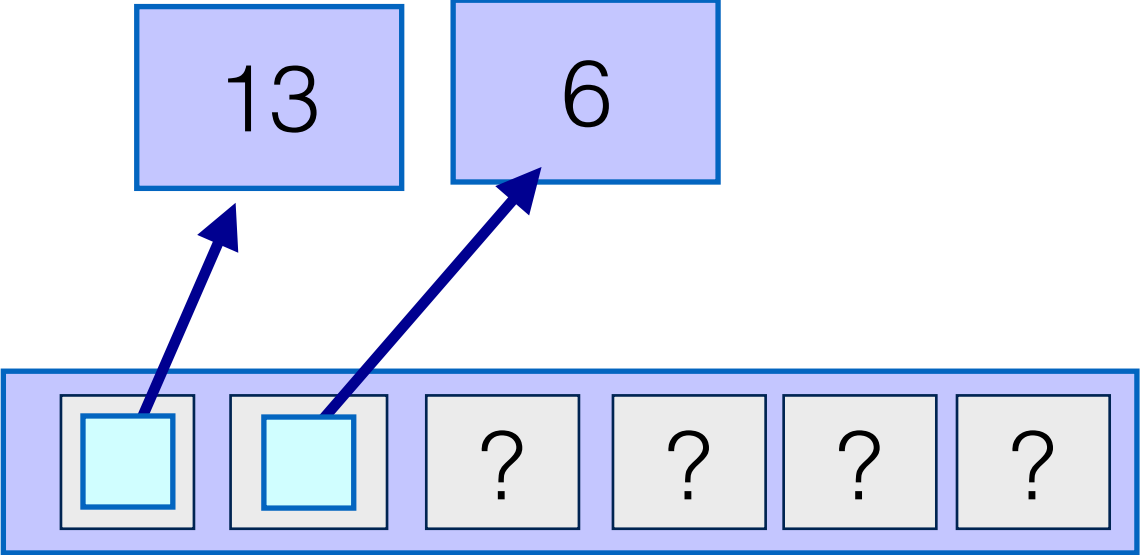
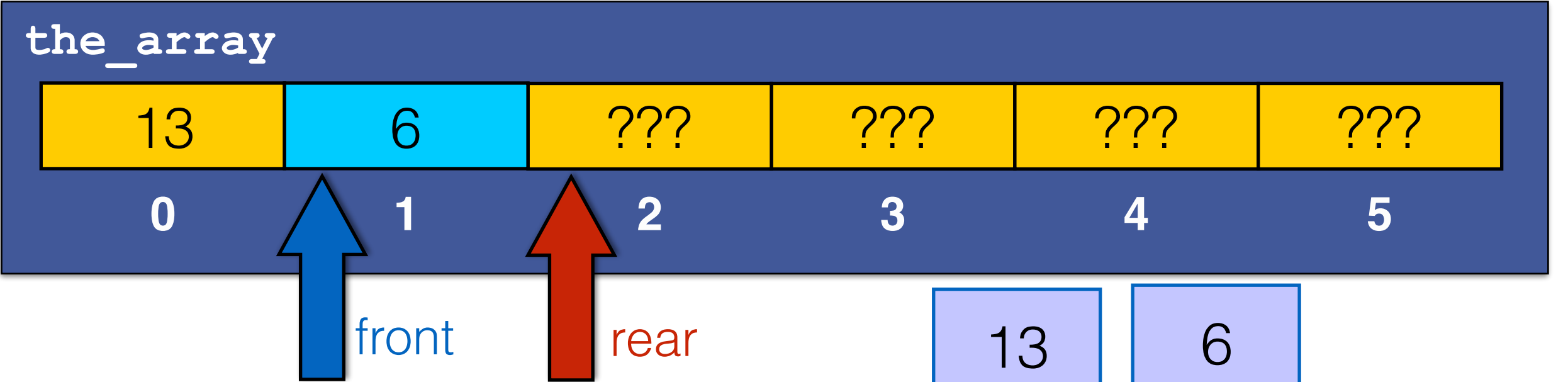
front

rear

front: 1

rear: 2

count: 1



Simple methods

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4 3 2 _ _ _
↑

wasteful | 'weistful, -f(ə)l |

adjective

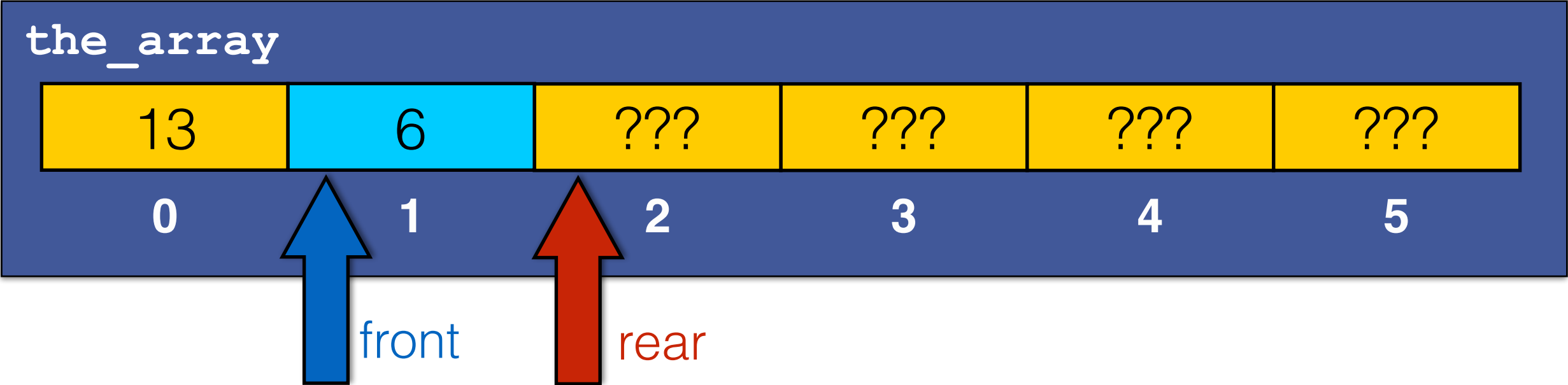
(of a person, action, or process) using or expending something of value carelessly, extravagantly, or to no purpose: *wasteful energy consumption*.

DERIVATIVES

wastefully adverb ,

wastefulness noun

front: 1 rear: 2 count: 1



Implementation problem

front: 3

rear: 6

count: 3

the_array

13

6

3

24

36

7

0

1

2

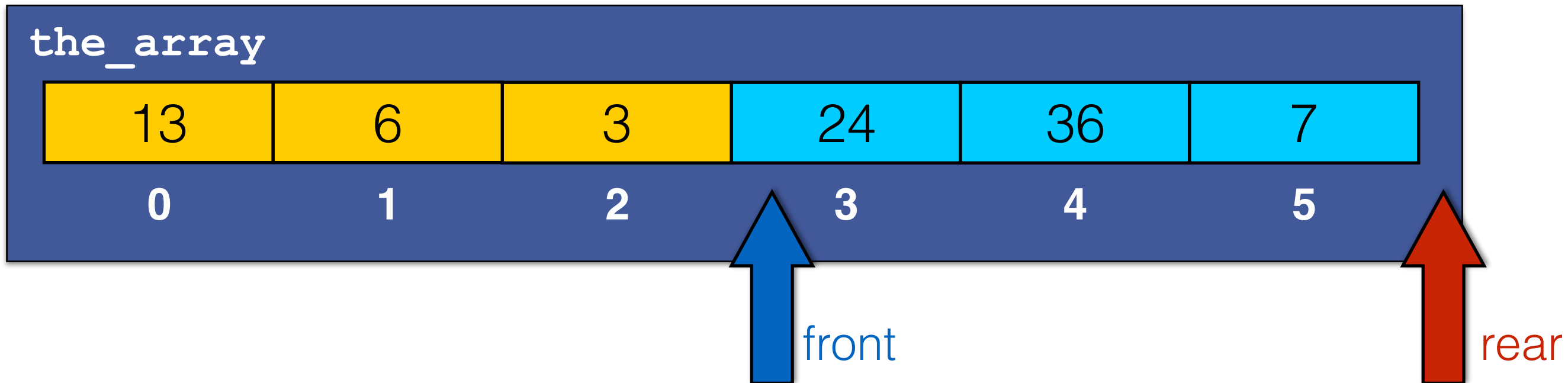
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front

rear



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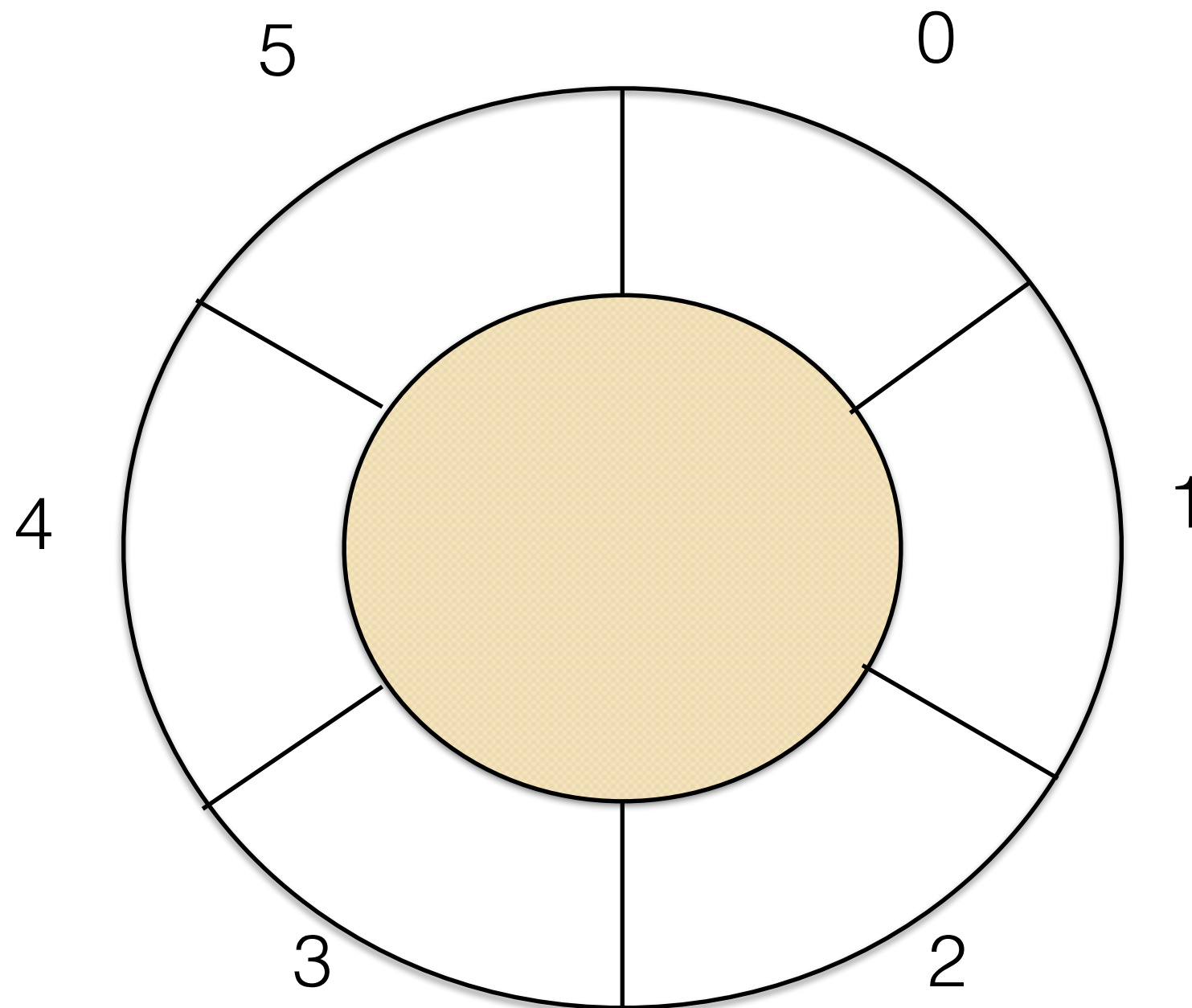
5

front

rear

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Solution: Circular Queues



Simulated by
allowing **rear**
and **front** to
wrap around
each other

front: 3

rear: 6

count: 3

the_array

13

6

3

24

36

7

0

1

2

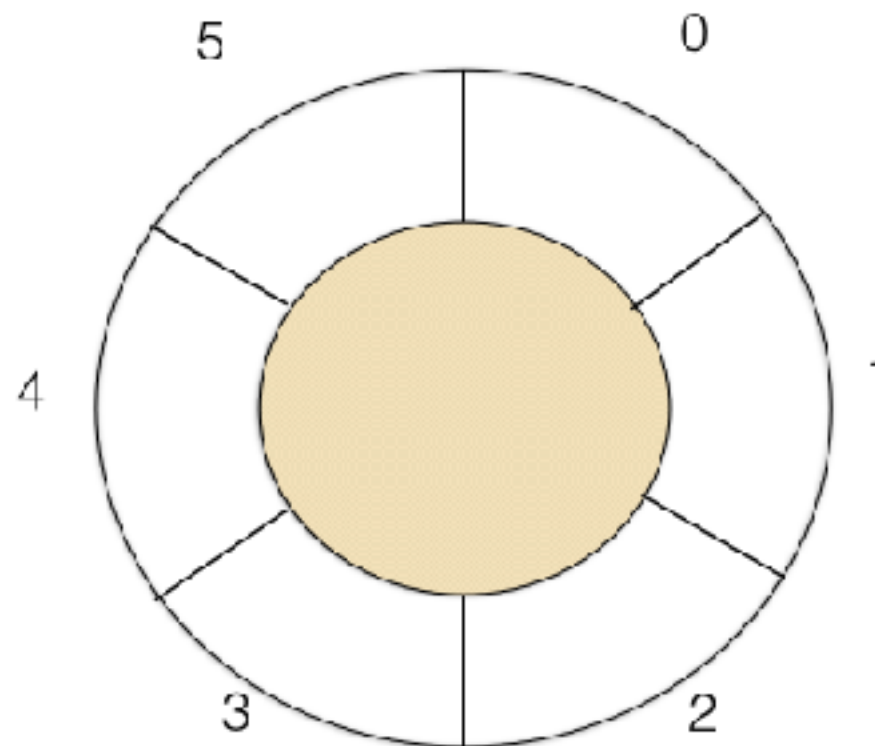
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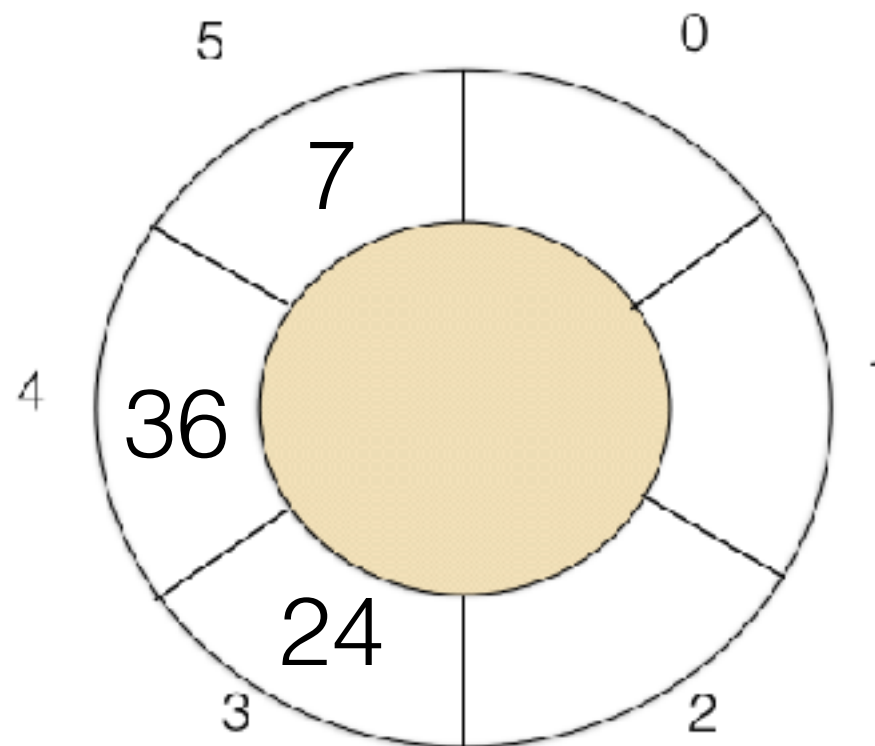
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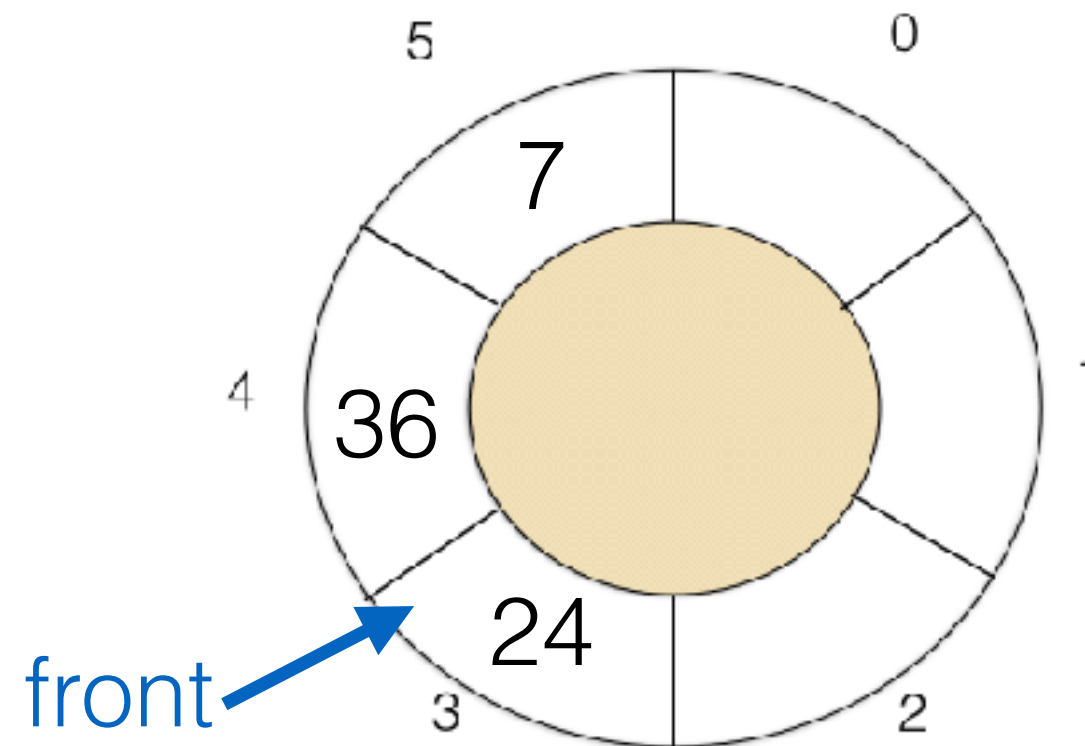
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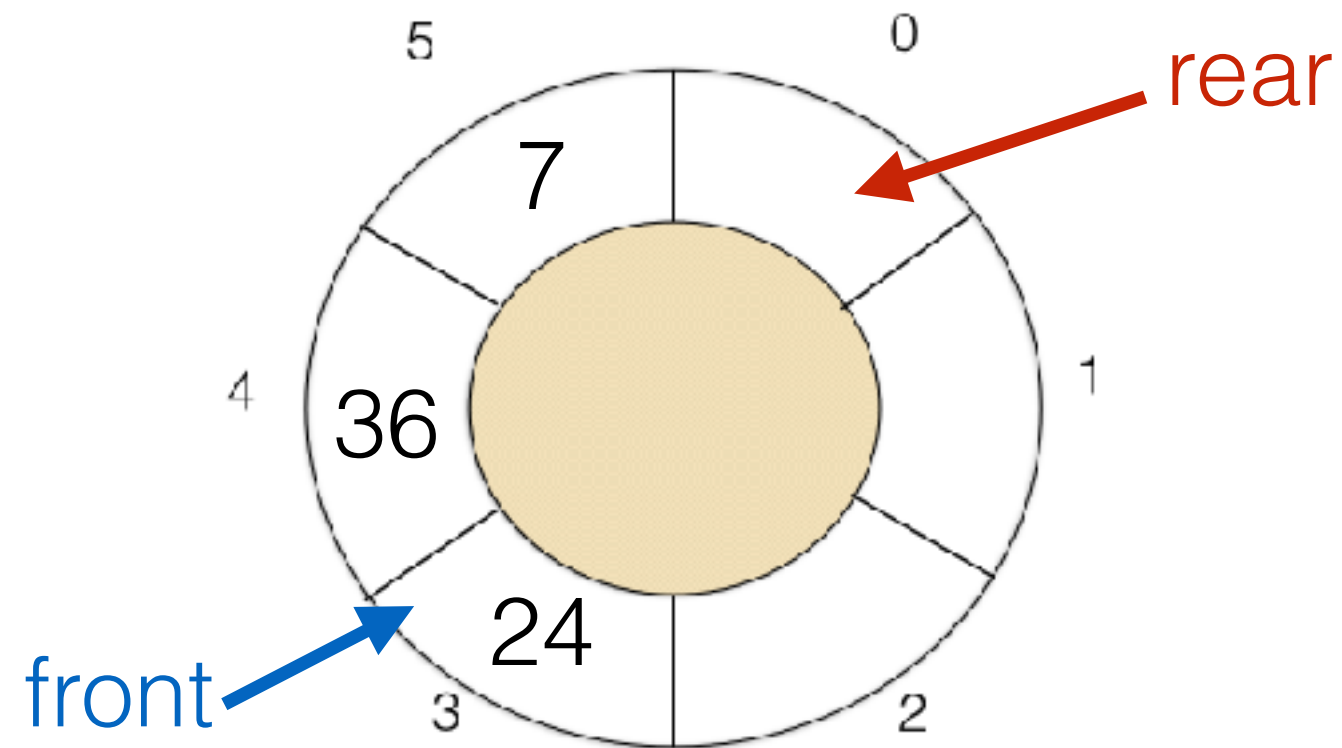
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6

3

24

36

7

0

1

2

3

4

5

front

rear

- After appending 7

front: 3

rear: 0

count: 3

the_array

13

6

3

24

36

7

0

1

2

3

4

5

rear

front

- After appending 7
- Append 29

front: 3

rear: 1

count: 4

the_array

29

6

3

24

36

7

0

1

2

3

4

5

rear

front

- After appending 7
- Append 29
- Append 35

front: 3

rear: 2

count: 5

the_array

29

35

3

24

36

7

0

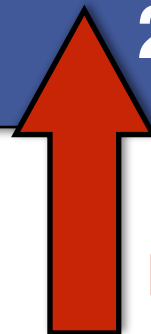
1

2

3

4

5



rear



front

- After appending 7
- Append 29
- Append 35
- Append 41

front: 3

rear: 3

count: 6

the_array

29

35

41

24

36

7

0

1

2

3

4

5

front

rear

- After appending 7
- Append 29
- Append 35
- Append 41

Important: Instead of using rear, to determine if the queue is full, we now need to use count.

front: 3

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29

35

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If rear points outside of the_array
but I know **the queue is not full**

You know that $\text{len}(\text{self.the_array}) = 6$ and $\text{self.rear} = 5$
 $(\text{self.rear} + 1) \% \text{len}(\text{self.the_array})$ is equal to...

$$(\text{self.rear} + 1) \% \text{len}(\text{self.the_array})$$

$$(5 + 1) \% 6$$

$$6 \% 6 = 0$$

You know that $\text{len}(\text{self.the_array}) = 6$ and $\text{self.rear} = 4$
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Circular queue: both front and rear wrap

front: 3

rear: 3

count: 6

the_array

29

35

41

24

36

7

0

1

2

3

4

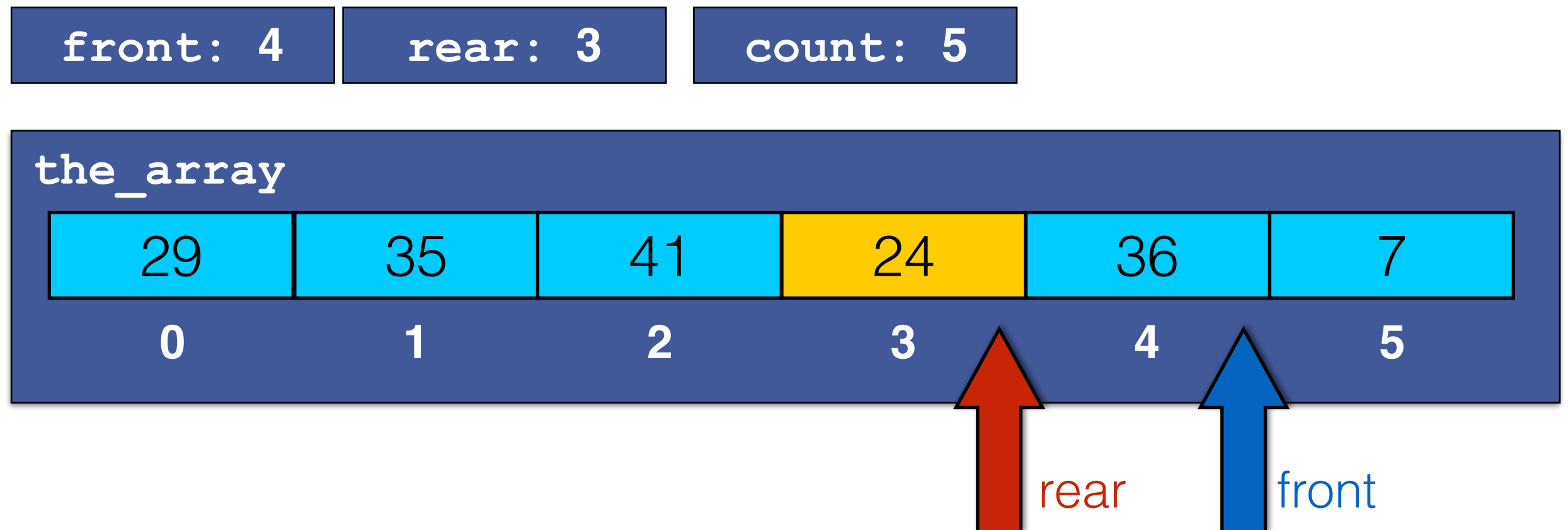
5

front

rear

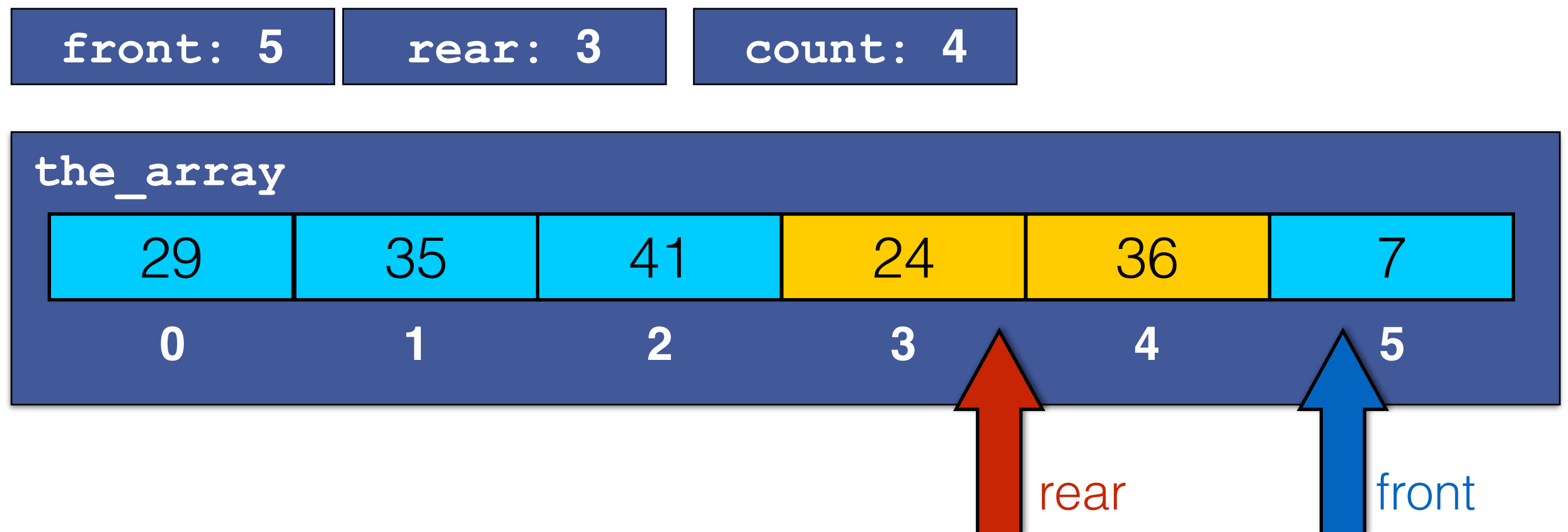
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- Serve item (returns 24)



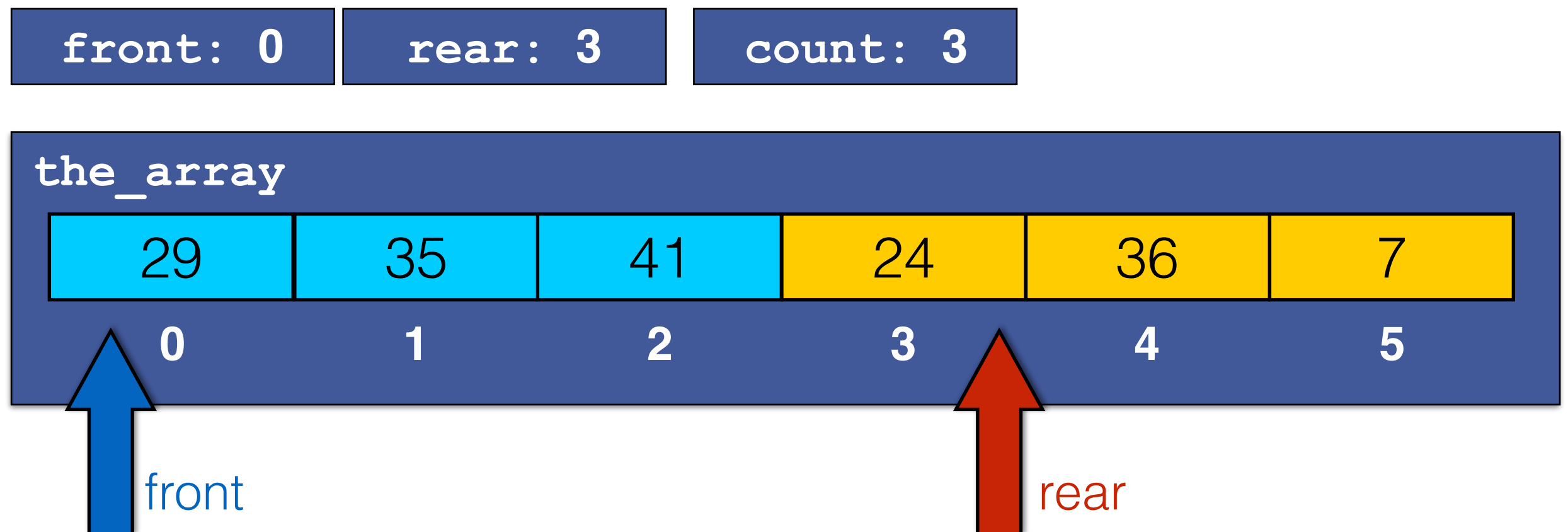
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Implementation of Serve for a Circular Queue

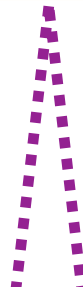
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```
self.front += 1  
if self.front == len(self.the_array):  
    self.front = 0
```

Print Queue

- Lets implement it as a function within the Queue ADT. So, it has access to the implementation.
- Do not modify the queue, just **print** its elements

Print Queue

```
def print_items(self):  
    index = self.front  
    for _ in range(self.count):  
        print(str(self.the_array[index]))  
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Increase index or make it zero if
it points to outside of the_array

Some Queue Applications

- Scheduling and buffering
 - Printers
 - Keyboards
 - Executing asynchronous procedure calls

Summary

- Queues
 - Array implementation
 - Linear
 - Circular
 - Basic operations
 - Their complexity