

Lecture Topics:

- C Basics
- Dynamic Array

Abstract Data Type (ADT)

- Abstract Data Type (ADT) – a mathematical model for data types
- Specifies:
 - the type of data stored
 - the operations supported on them
 - the types of parameters of the operations.
- Why “abstract”?
 - an implementation-independent view of the data type

Dynamic Arrays

- Elements in an array are stored in a contiguous block of memory
- Allow random access (direct access)
 - i.e., time to access the 1st element = time to access the last element
 - By using array subscript ([]):

```
int* array = malloc(1000 * sizeof(int));  
array[0] = 0;  
array[999] = 0; size - 1
```

- Demo...

Dynamic Arrays (cont.)

- Basic operations:
 - **get** – Gets the value of the element stored at a given index in the array
 - **set** – Sets/updates the value of the element stored at a given index in the array
 - **insert** – Inserts a new value into the array at a given index.
 - Sometimes, dynamic array implementations limit insertion to a specific location in the array, e.g. only at the end.
 - **remove** – Removes an element at a given index from the array
 - Sometimes, dynamic array implementations avoid moving elements up a spot by only allowing the last element to be removed

Dynamic Arrays (cont.)

- Drawbacks:
 - Fixed size, must be specified when the array is created

- For static array:

```
int array[50];
```

- For dynamic array:

```
int *array = malloc (50 * sizeof(int));
```

→ Need to allocate more memory if we need to store more data

- How?
- Dynamic array DS doesn't have a fixed capacity
 - Has a variable size and can grow as needed

Dynamic Arrays (cont.)

- Need to keep track of three things:
 - **data** – underlying data storage array
 - **size** – number of elements currently stored in the array
 - **capacity** – number of elements data has space for before it must be resized
- How it works?
 - An array of known capacity is maintained by the dynamic array DS.
 - As elements are inserted, they are simply stored in **data**
 - If an element is inserted into the dynamic array, and there isn't capacity for it in the underlying data storage array (**data**), **the capacity of the underlying data storage array is doubled**. Then the new element is inserted into this larger data storage array.

Dynamic Arrays



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5	8
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5	8	1	
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5	8	1	4
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5	8	1	4	9			
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5	8	1	4	9	0		
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5	8	1	4	9	0	6	
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5	8	1	4	9	0	6	7
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5	8	4	9	0	6	7	
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5	8	4	9	6	7		
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Inserting an element into dynarray

- Case 1: if size < capacity
 - At least one free spot in data
 - Insert the new element

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5	8
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- Case 2: if size == capacity
 - No free spot in data
 - Step 1: allocate a new array that has twice the capacity
 - Step 2: copy all elements from data to new array
 - Step 3: delete the old data array
 - Step 4: Insert the new element

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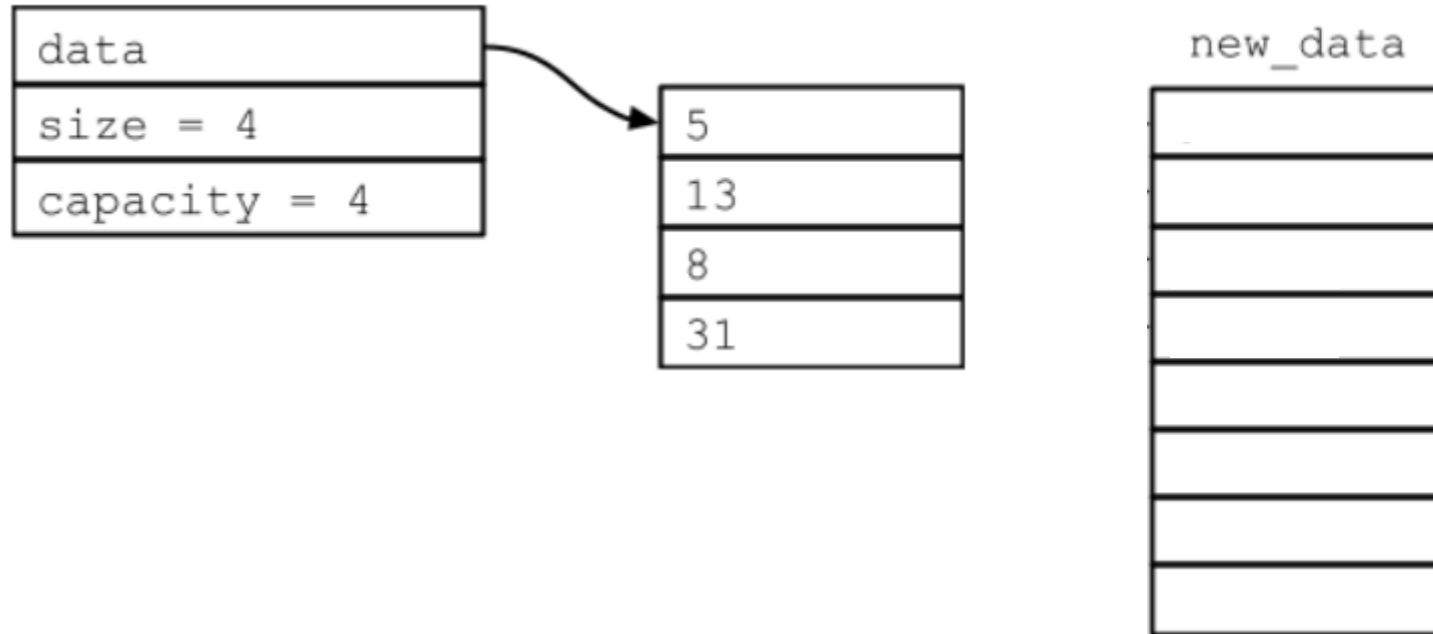
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Another Example

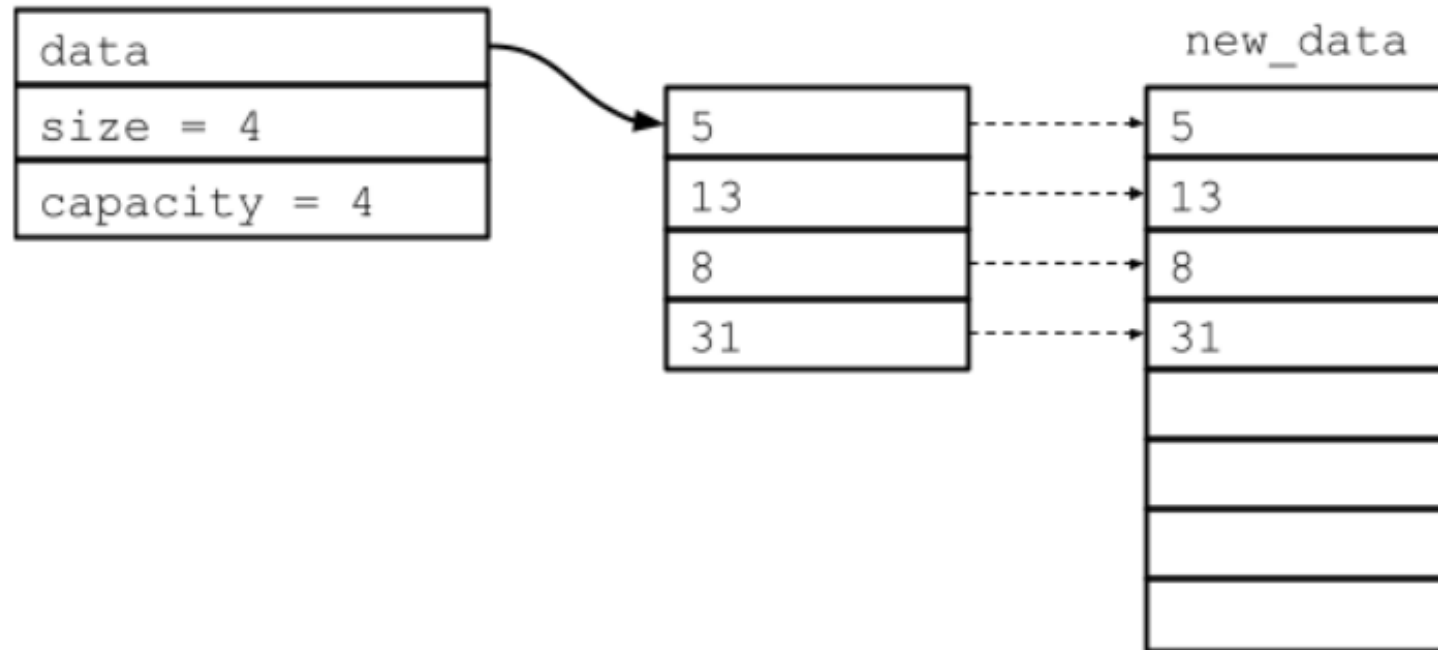
- Insert 16 to the following dynamic array:



- Step 1: allocate a new array that has twice the capacity

Another Example

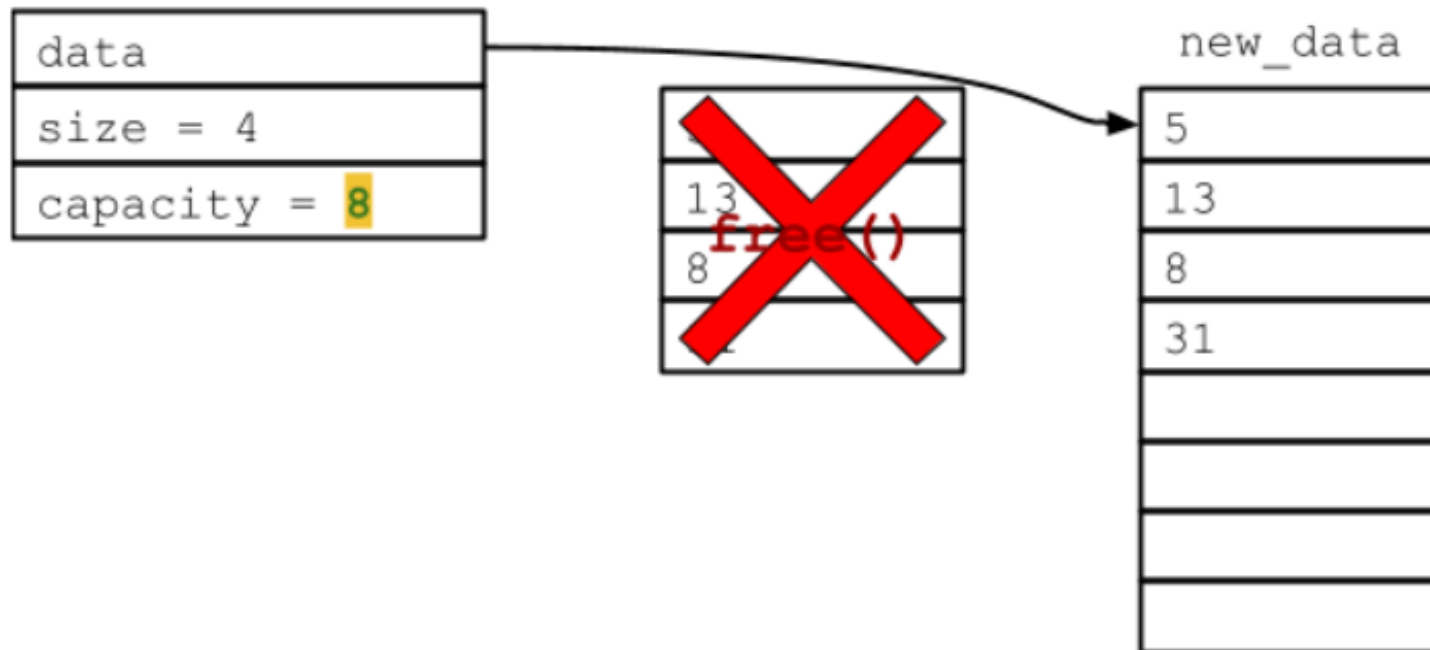
- Insert 16 to the following dynamic array:



- Step 2: copy all elements from data to new array

Another Example

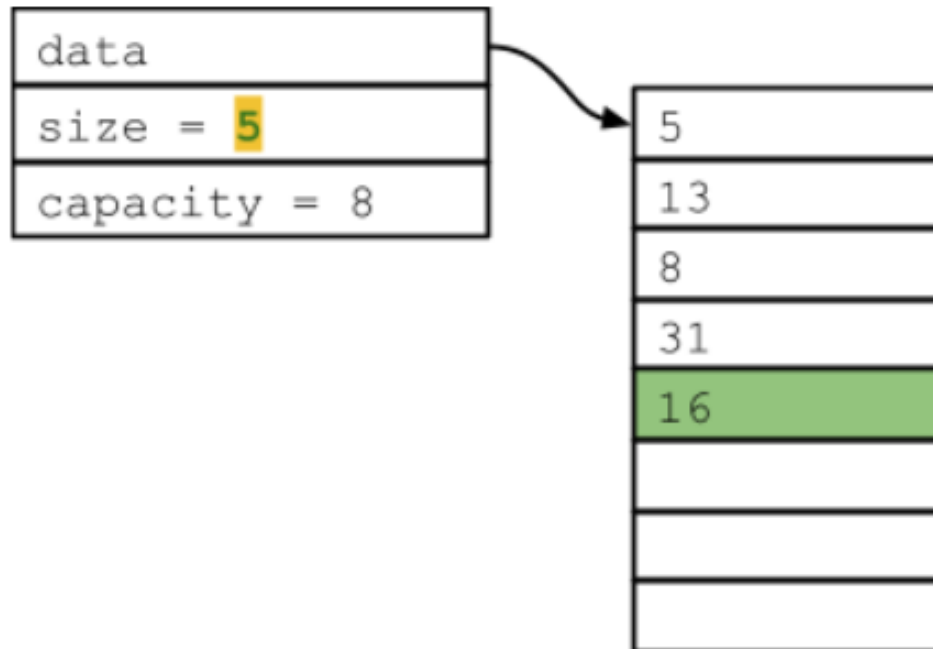
- Insert 16 to the following dynamic array:



- Step 3: delete the old data array and update data

Another Example

- Insert 16 to the following dynamic array:



- Step 4: Insert the new element