

# Arrays

# Data Structures

Thus far, all of our data has been stored in variables

one variable holds one piece of data

*Data structures* enable our programs to organize our data in more efficient, sensible ways

group related pieces of data together

We'll see three types of data structures this semester

variables (all semester)

arrays (this week)

classes (in a few weeks)

# Exercise: Storing Multiple Pieces of Data

Suppose we wanted to store the names of everyone in this class

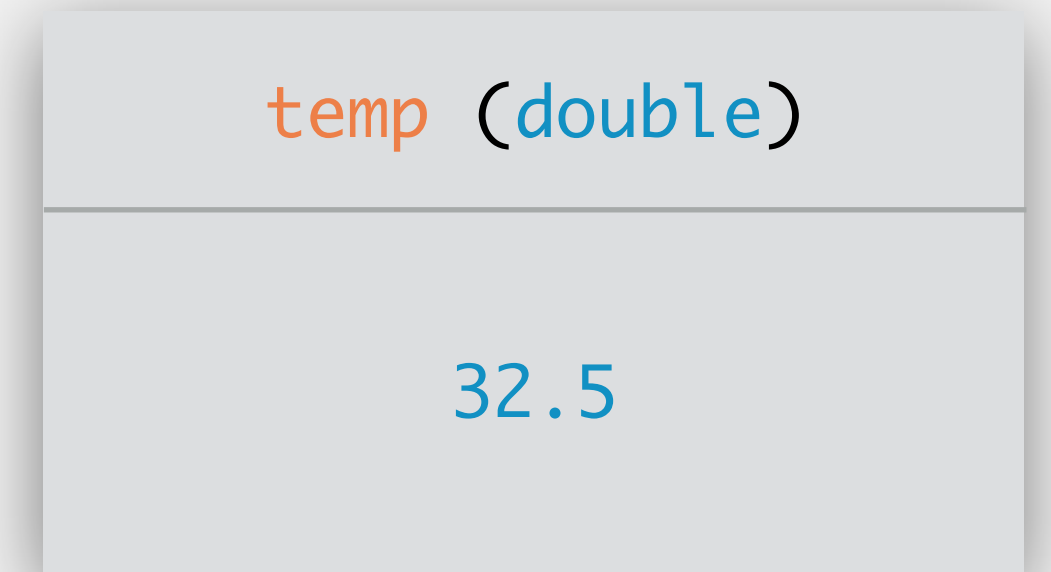
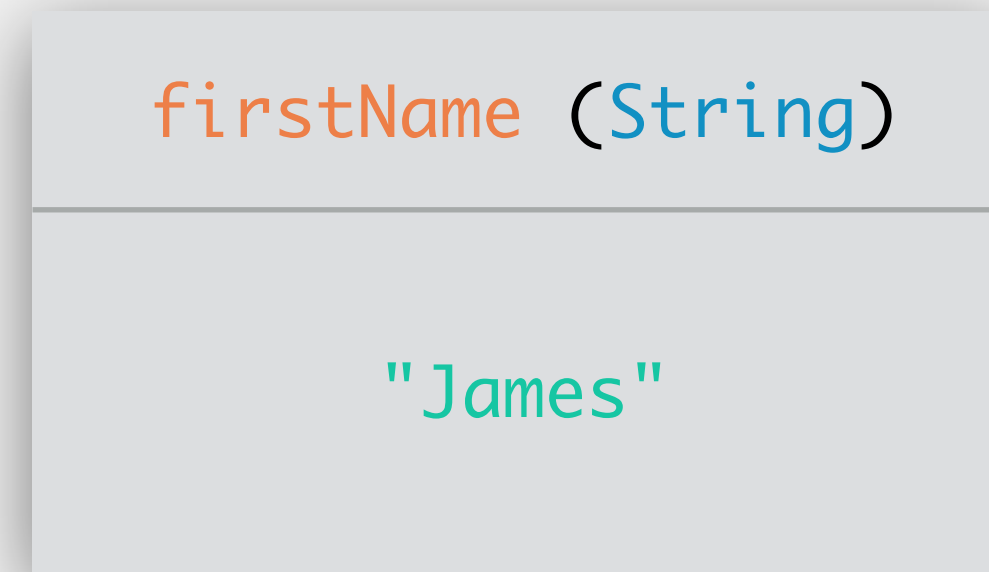
What information do we need to know?

How can we store that information in a program?

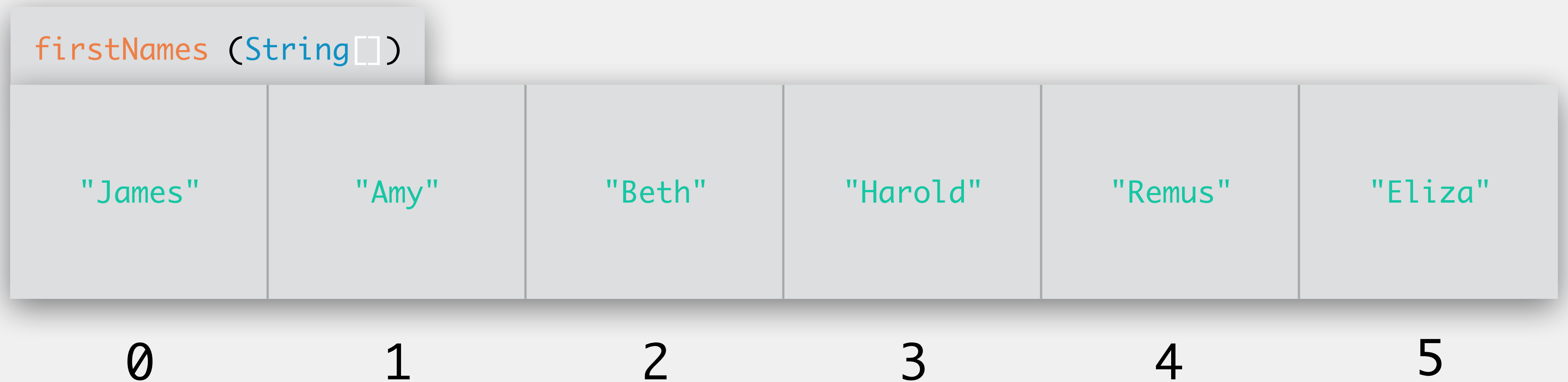
What if the user was providing the names through the console? Could we adapt to changes to how many people are in the class? (e.g., 27 vs 33?)

# What Is An Array?

variables



array



# Array Properties

Arrays allow us to store a collection of data values together

All data stored in an array must be of the same data type

e.g., all Strings, all ints, all booleans

Must predetermine the size of our array

e.g., if we say our array will hold 27 names, we cannot modify it to store 33 names

however, we can always store less data (e.g., 15 names)

We refer to data by its variable name **and** index (i.e., position) in the array

indexes are zero-based, just like with Strings

the length of the String is **not** zero-based

# Setting Up An Array

Three steps:

*declaring* the array sets up the variable name and data type

only change is the addition of square brackets, e.g., []

```
names (String[])
```

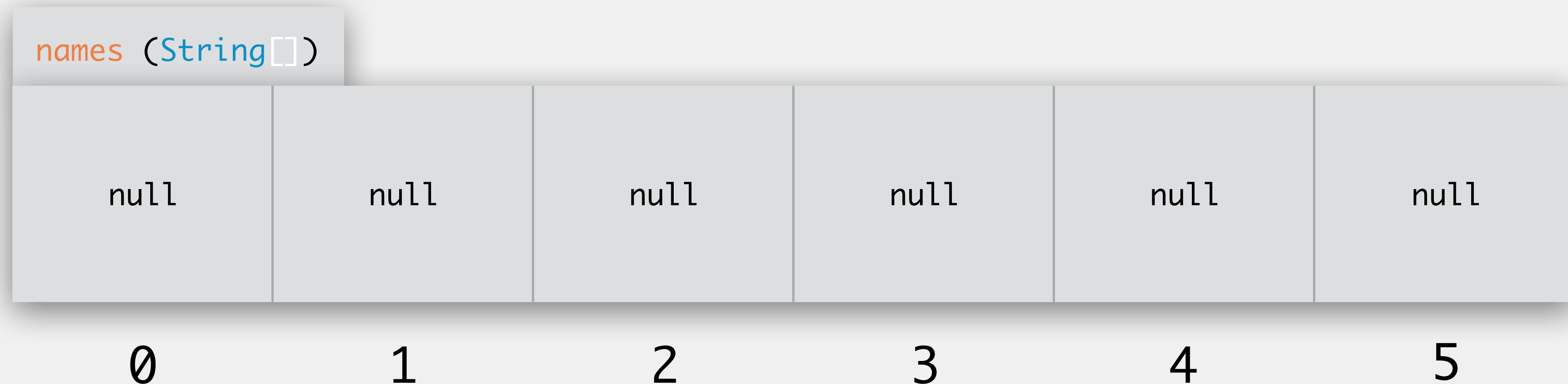
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# What Is Null?

The absence of data

Keyword in Java to indicate that there is nothing (i.e., no data) referred to by this variable/spot in the array

Always (always always) initialize/instantiate variables/arrays!

except for primitives, these are set to null until initialization/instantiation



# NullPointerException

Java throws an exception when your program attempts to use a null values

accessing an array that has not been instantiated

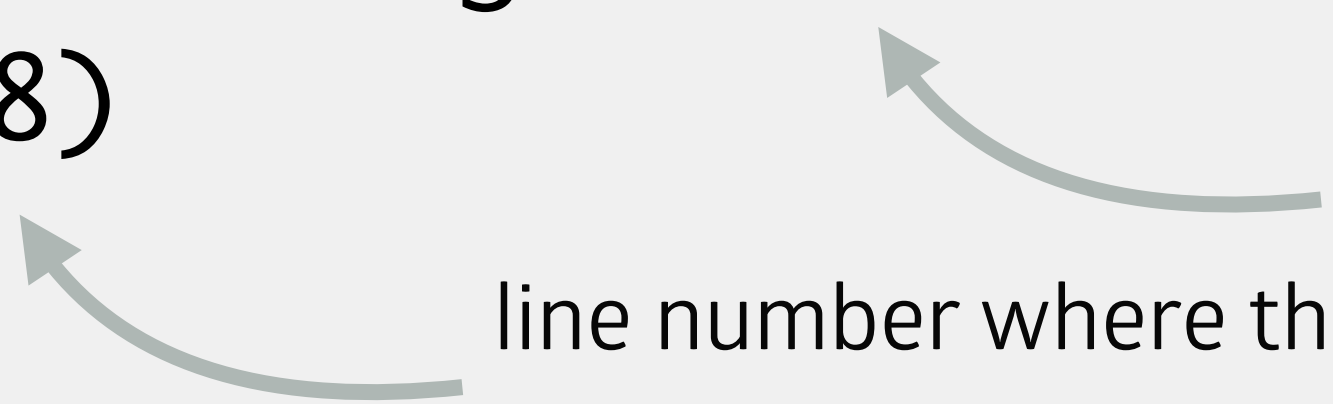
accessing a spot in the array that has not been initialized

will see this other places too (e.g., classes)

```
Exception in thread "main" java.lang.NullPointerException  
    at Example.main(Example:8)
```

name of the exception that  
caused our program to crash

line number where the  
exception occurred

The diagram consists of two curved arrows. The first arrow starts from the text 'name of the exception that caused our program to crash' and points to the text 'java.lang.NullPointerException' in the exception message. The second arrow starts from the text 'line number where the exception occurred' and points to the text 'Example:8' in the exception message.

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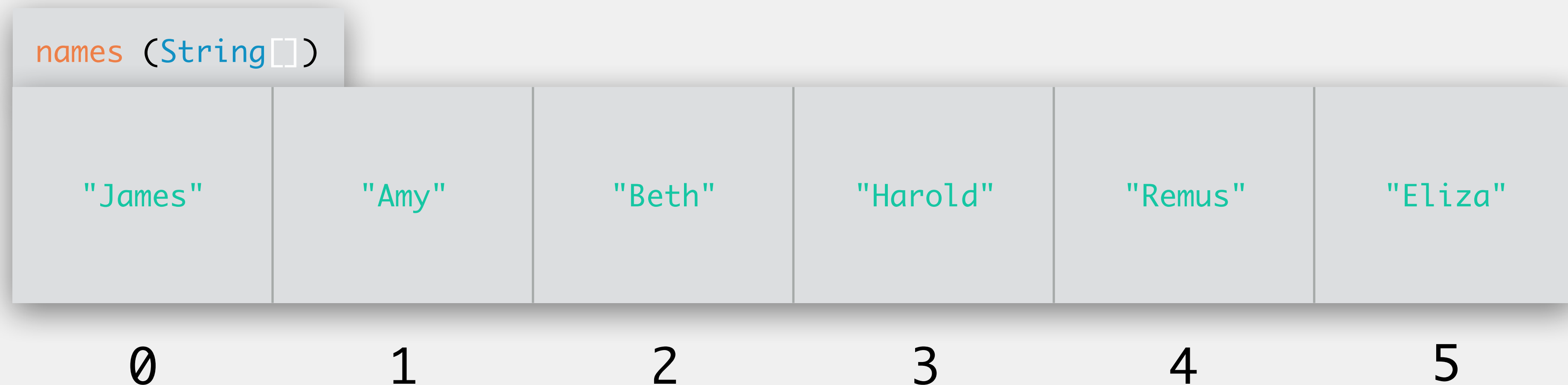
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*instantiating* the array sets up the size (i.e., length)

*initializing* the array assigns initial values to each spot in the array



# Definition: Declaring & Instantiating An Array

declare an array

```
<dataType>[] <identifier>; // both of these lines do the same thing  
<dataType> <identifier>[];
```

instantiate an array

```
<identifier> = new <dataType>[<length>];
```

declare and instantiate an array

```
<dataType>[] <identifier> = new <dataType>[<length>];
```

# Example: Declaring & Instantiating An Array

declare an array of type String called names

```
String[] names; // both of these lines do the same thing  
String names[];
```

instantiate an array of type String with length 6

```
names = new String[6]; // notice we do not use the square brackets here
```

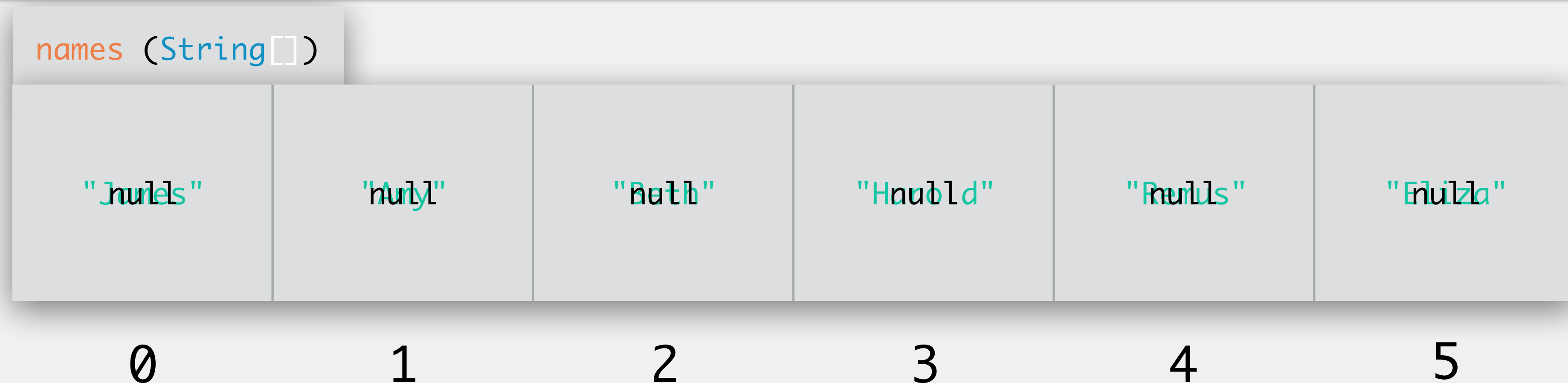
declare and instantiate an array of type String called names with length 6

```
String[] names = new String[6];
```

# Example: Array Initialization

initialize an array of type String called names

```
> names[0] = "James";  
> names[1] = "Amy";  
> names[2] = "Beth";  
> names[3] = "Harold";  
> names[4] = "Remus";  
> names[5] = "Eliza";  
>
```



# Example: Declaring, Instantiating, and Initializing

declare an array of type String called names

```
String[] names; // both of these lines do the same thing  
String names[];
```

instantiate and initialize an array with our name Strings

```
names = {"James", "Amy", "Beth", "Harold", "Remus", "Eliza"};
```

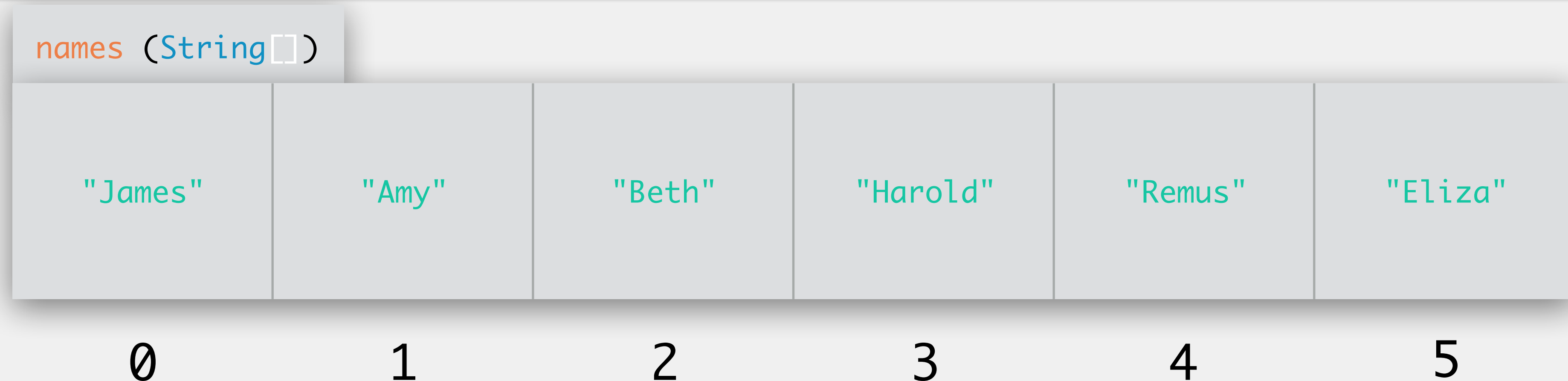
declare, instantiate and initialize an array with our name Strings

```
String[] names = {"James", "Amy", "Beth", "Harold", "Remus", "Eliza"};
```

# Example: Array Access

access each value in the array and print it out

```
System.out.println(names[0]);  
System.out.println(names[1]);  
System.out.println(names[2]);  
System.out.println(names[3]);  
System.out.println(names[4]);  
System.out.println(names[5]);
```





# Definition: Array Length

Like Strings, can often be helpful to know the length of an array

Unlike Strings, we use `.length`

notice no parentheses!

access the length of an array

```
<identifier>.length;  
names.length;
```

# Example: Array Access

access each value in the array and print it out

```
for (int i = 0; i < names.length; ++i) {  
    System.out.println(names[i]);  
}
```

names (String[])

"James"

"Amy"

"Beth"

"Harold"

"Remus"

"Eliza"

0

1

2

3

4

5

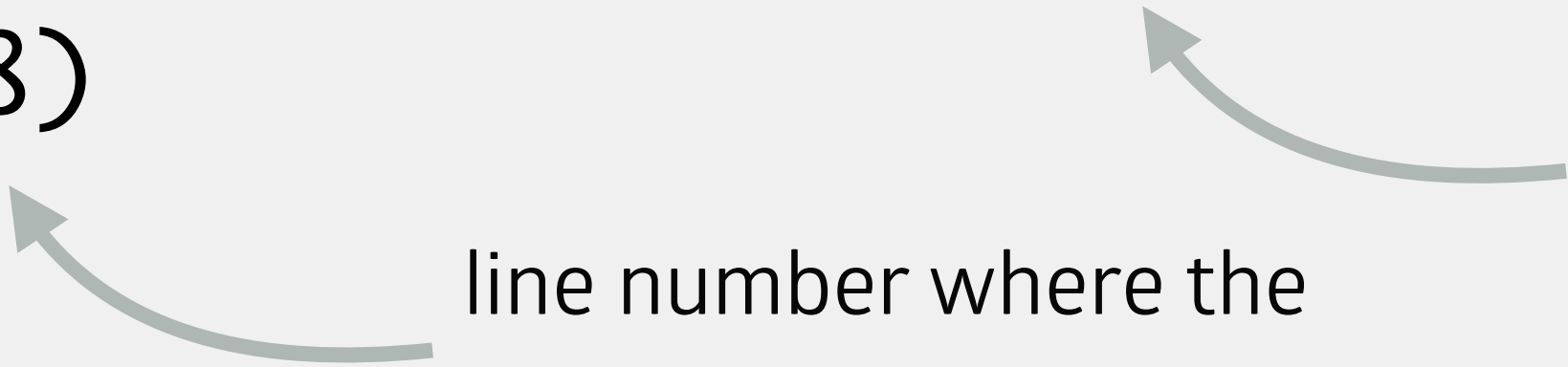
# ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsException

Java throws an exception when your program attempts to access a value beyond the length of the array


similar to attempting to access a character index not available in a String

Exception in thread "main" java.lang.ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsException  
at Example.main(Example:8)

line number where the  
exception occurred



name of the exception that  
caused our program to crash



# Definition: String Methods

toCharArray: converts a String to an array of char values

```
str.toCharArray();
```

equals: checks for equality between one String and another (case sensitive!)

```
str.equals(str2);
```

==: checks to see if two String values point to the same memory location

```
str == str2;
```

# toCharArray

arguments: nothing

returns: a char array containing each character in the String, in order  
memory

```
<String>.toCharArray();
```

```
>String exampleStr = "Hi!";  
>char[] arr = exampleStr.toCharArray();  
>
```

exampleStr (String)

"Hi!"

names (char[])

'H'

'i'

'!'

# equals

arguments: a String to compare to

returns: a boolean value; true if the two Strings are the same, false if not  
memory

```
<String>.equals(<String>);
```

```
>String exampleStr = "Hi!";  
>boolean same = exampleStr.equals("Hi!");  
>
```

exampleStr (String)

"Hi!"

same (boolean)

true

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<String>.equals(<String>);
```

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>boolean same = exampleStr.equals("hi!");  
>
```

exampleStr (String)

"Hi!"

same (boolean)

false

==

arguments: two String values to compare

returns: a boolean value; true if the Strings are at the same memory location  
memory

```
<String> == <String>;
```

```
>String str1 = "Hi!", str2 = "Hi!";
```

```
>boolean same = str1 == str2;
```

```
>
```

str1 (String)

"Hi!"

same (boolean)

false

str2 (String)

"Hi!"



# == vs equals()

Primitive data types (boolean, char, int, double, ...)

always use ==

will check to see if the two are the same value

.equals() does not exist for primitive data types

Class data types (String, ...)

will almost always use .equals()

will check to see if the content of the two objects is the same

we can define what equality means!

== will check if the memory location of the two objects is the same

# Searching & Sorting

Data structures can contain multiple pieces of information in a single place

Often want to manipulate these

- searching

- sorting

# Searching An Array

Examine each index until we find what we are looking for

# Searching Modifications

Know there are one vs many occurrences

one: can stop after it's found

many: must continue until the end of the loop

Searching for first vs all occurrences

one: can stop after the first is found

many: must continue until the end of the loop

# Sorting An Array

Numerous sorting algorithms available

many algorithms + their efficiency (i.e., *complexity*) will be discussed in 340

In this class

selection sort

insertion sort

# Selection Sort

Considered one of the classic sorting algorithms

Very simple, but very inefficient

will do the job for this class

Basic premise:

scans through the array multiple times, looking for the next smallest element each time

moves the smallest element to the front of the array

# Selection Sort

Array is divided into two parts: sorted (left part) and unsorted (right part)

initially, everything is unsorted

Scan through the unsorted part for the smallest element

Swap the smallest element with the leftmost unsorted value

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Repeat

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A horizontal array of numbers: 2, 3, 8, 5, 9, 7. The numbers 2 and 3 are enclosed in a blue rounded rectangular box, indicating they are the current sorted portion of the array.

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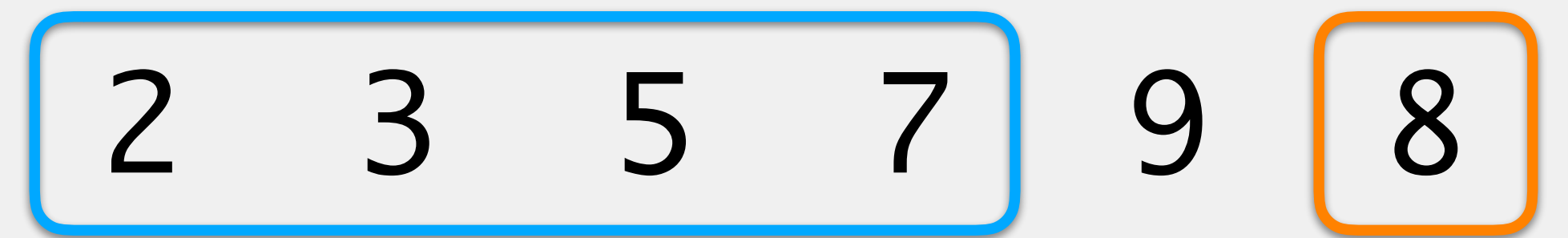
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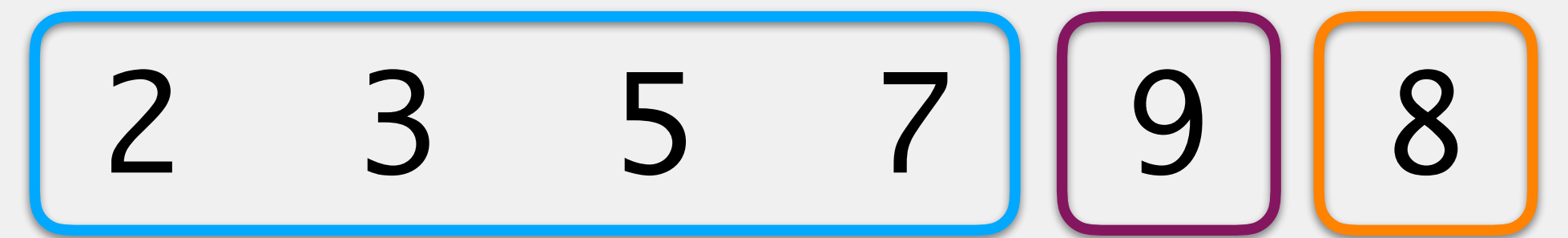
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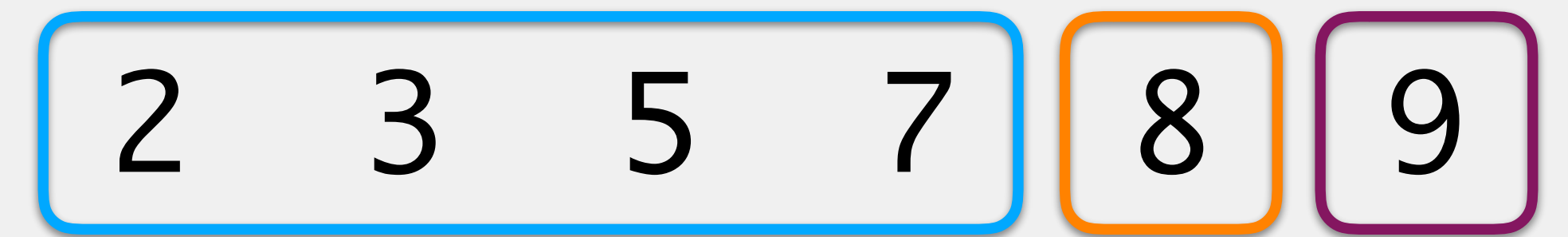
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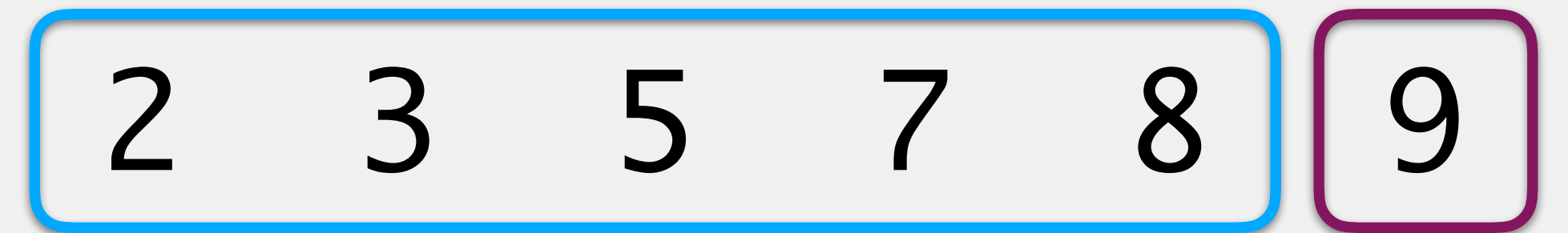
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# Insertion Sort

Considered one of the classic sorting algorithms

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will do the job for this class

Basic premise:

scans through the array multiple times, looking at the next unsorted element

moves that unsorted element into a sorted place in the final list

# Insertion Sort

Array is divided into two parts: sorted (left part) and unsorted (right part)

initially, first element is sorted, everything else is unsorted

Look at the leftmost unsorted value

Move it down the sorted list until it is in the correct place

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Repeat

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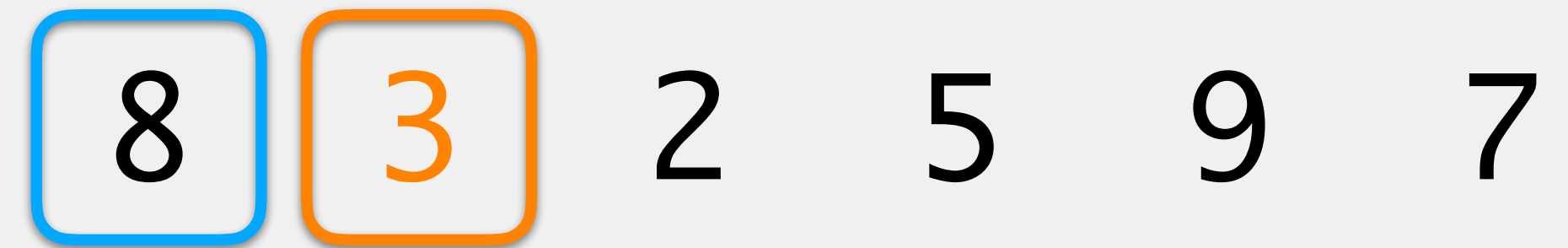
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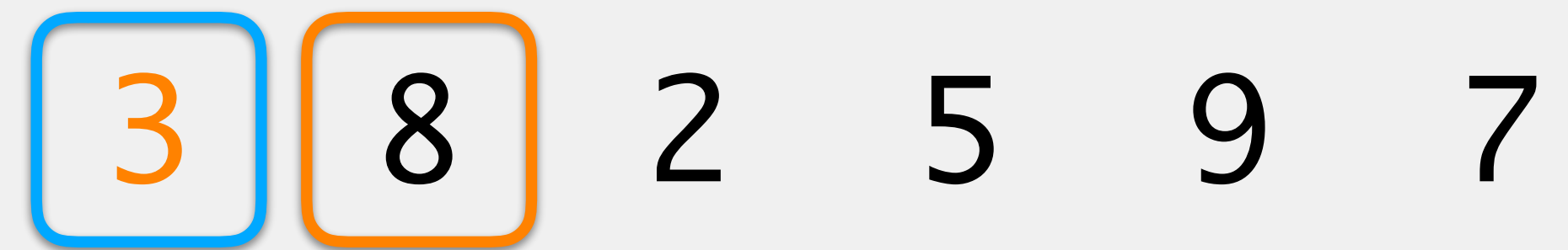
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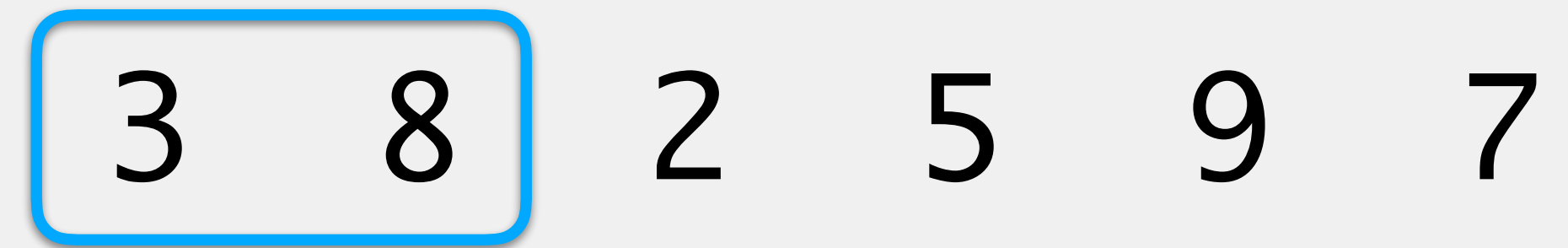
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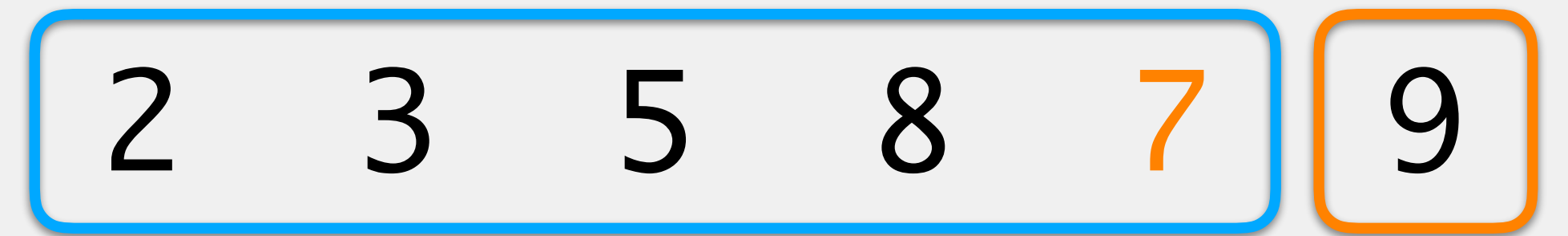
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# char Datatype & Sorting

chars have a strict ordering, just like numbers

comes from underlying numeric representations every char has

Dec	Hex	Dec	Hex	Dec	Hex	Dec	Hex	Dec	Hex	Dec	Hex	Dec	Hex	Dec	Hex								
0	00	NUL	16	10	DLE	32	20	48	30	0	64	40	@	80	50	P	96	60	`	112	70	p	
1	01	SOH	17	11	DC1	33	21	!	49	31	1	65	41	A	81	51	Q	97	61	a	113	71	q
2	02	STX	18	12	DC2	34	22	"	50	32	2	66	42	B	82	52	R	98	62	b	114	72	r
3	03	ETX	19	13	DC3	35	23	#	51	33	3	67	43	C	83	53	S	99	63	c	115	73	s
4	04	EOT	20	14	DC4	36	24	\$	52	34	4	68	44	D	84	54	T	100	64	d	116	74	t
5	05	ENQ	21	15	NAK	37	25	%	53	35	5	69	45	E	85	55	U	101	65	e	117	75	u
6	06	ACK	22	16	SYN	38	26	&	54	36	6	70	46	F	86	56	V	102	66	f	118	76	v
7	07	BEL	23	17	ETB	39	27	'	55	37	7	71	47	G	87	57	W	103	67	g	119	77	w
8	08	BS	24	18	CAN	40	28	(	56	38	8	72	48	H	88	58	X	104	68	h	120	78	x
9	09	HT	25	19	EM	41	29	)	57	39	9	73	49	I	89	59	Y	105	69	i	121	79	y
10	0A	LF	26	1A	SUB	42	2A	*	58	3A	:	74	4A	J	90	5A	Z	106	6A	j	122	7A	z
11	0B	VT	27	1B	ESC	43	2B	+	59	3B	;	75	4B	K	91	5B	[	107	6B	k	123	7B	{
12	0C	FF	28	1C	FS	44	2C	,	60	3C	<	76	4C	L	92	5C	\	108	6C	l	124	7C	
13	0D	CR	29	1D	GS	45	2D	-	61	3D	=	77	4D	M	93	5D	]	109	6D	m	125	7D	}
14	0E	SO	30	1E	RS	46	2E	.	62	3E	>	78	4E	N	94	5E	^	110	6E	n	126	7E	~
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