

Arrays (1A)

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Calculating the Mean of n Numbers

The mean of **N** numbers

$$m = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} x_i$$

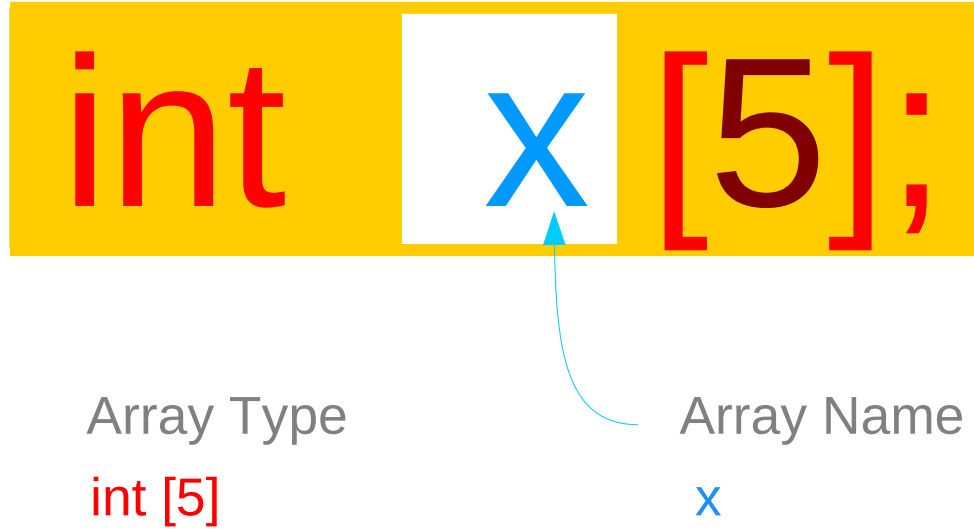
$$m = \frac{1}{5} \sum_{i=0}^4 x_i = \frac{1}{5} (x_0 + x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4)$$

5 variables

x[0] x[1] x[2] x[3] x[4]

Definition of an Array

```
int x[5];
```

A diagram illustrating the components of the array declaration 'int x[5];'. The text is displayed on a yellow background. The word 'int' is in red, 'x' is in blue, and '[5];' is in red. A white box highlights the 'x', with a blue arrow pointing from the label 'Array Name' below to it. Another blue arrow points from the label 'Array Type' below to the 'int'.

Array Type

int [5]

Array Name

x

Element Type

int x [5] ;

Array Type

int [5]

Array Name

x

a constant

Value: the starting address of
5 consecutive int variables

int x [5] ;

Element Type

int

Element

x[i]

i = 0, ... , 4

Using an Array

```
int x[5];
```

Array Name

```
int x[5];
```

Element Type : int

int variables

```
x[i]
```

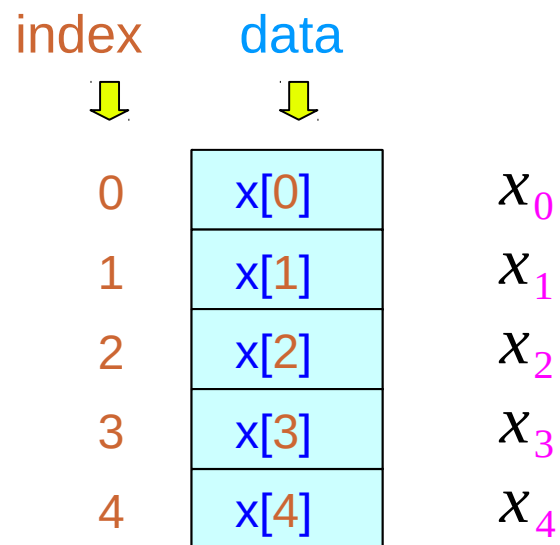
$i = 0, \dots, 4$

Accessing array elements – using an index

```
int      x[5];
```

`x` is an array
with 5 integer elements

5 int variables

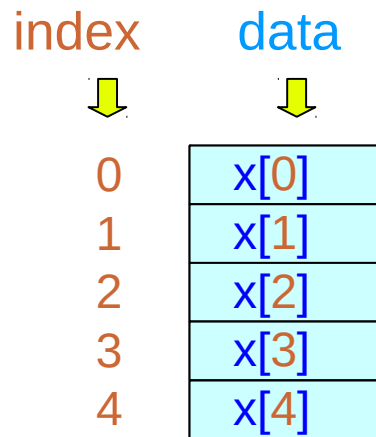


Accessing array elements – using an address

```
int      x[5];
```

x holds the *starting address*
of 5 consecutive *int* variables

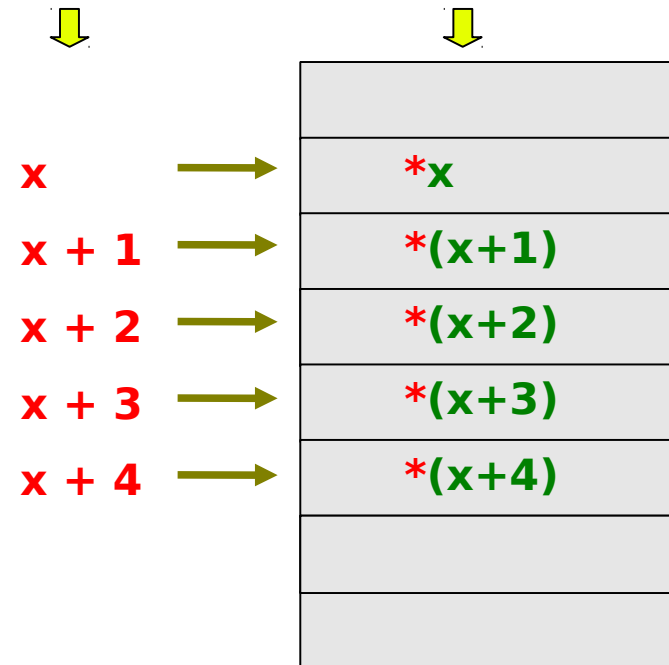
5 int variables



cannot change
address x
(constant)

address

data



Index and Address Notations

```
int      x[5];
```

x holds the *starting address*
of **5** consecutive *int* variables

$x[i]$ or $*(x+i)$

i : an index variable [0..4]
 $x[i]$: the $(i+1)^{\text{th}}$ element value

x : the starting address
 $x+i$: the $(i+1)^{\text{th}}$ element's address
 $*(x+i)$: the $(i+1)^{\text{th}}$ element value

A variable expressed by another variable

```
int    x[5];
```

x holds the *starting address*
of **5** consecutive *int* variables

treated as a variable

read



$x[i]$



write

read



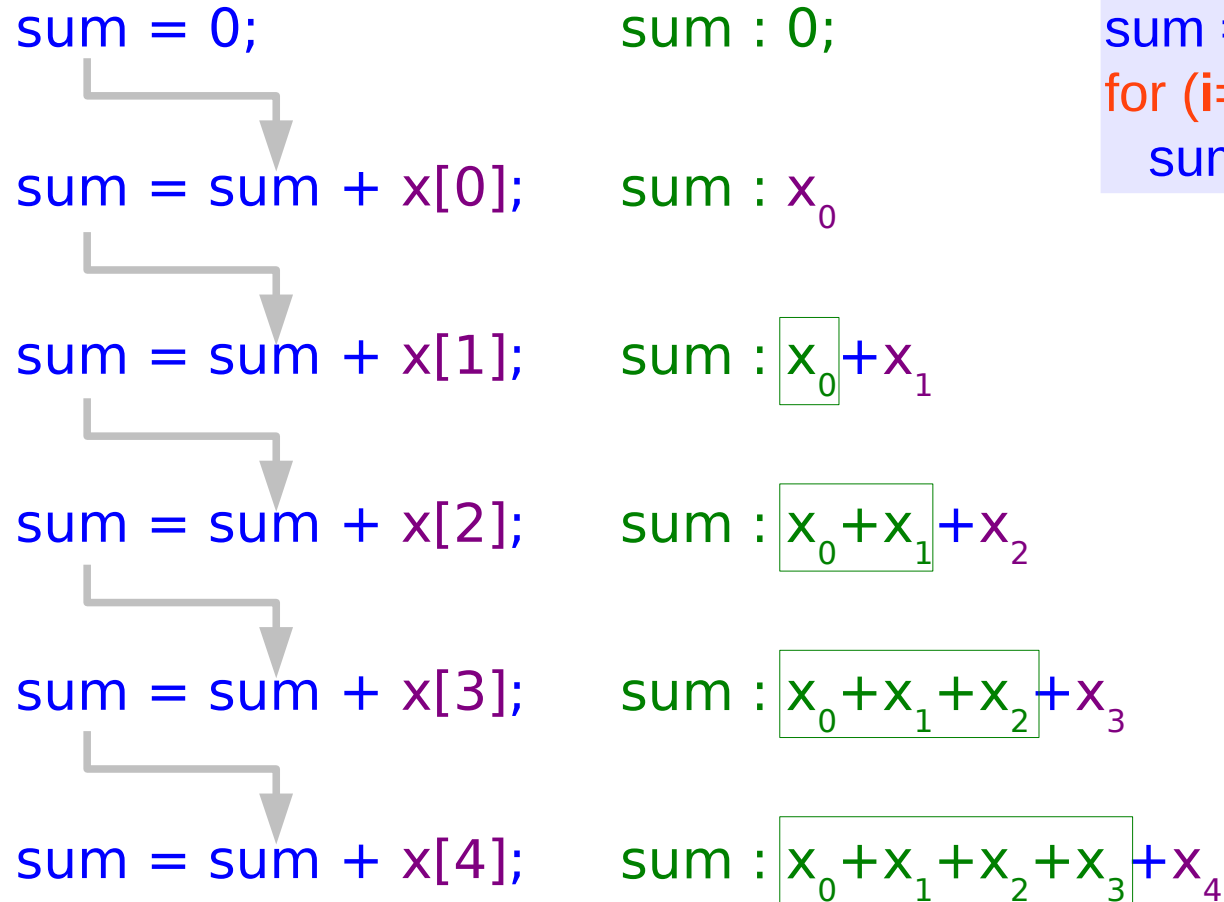
$*(x+i)$



write

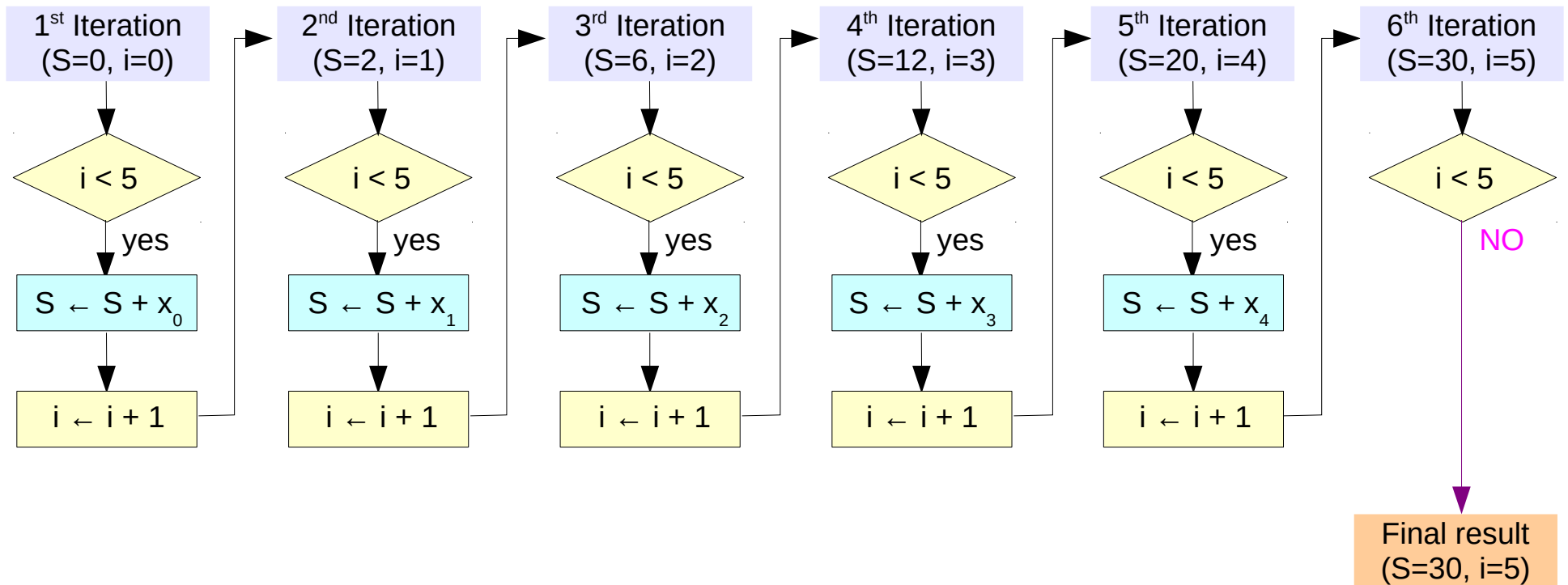
an index variable i

Computing the sum of n numbers (1)



```
sum = 0;  
for (i=0; i<5; ++i)  
    sum = sum + x[i];
```

Computing the sum of n numbers (2)



```
sum = 0;  
for (i=0; i<5; ++i)  
    sum = sum + x[i];
```

$x_0=2,$
 $x_1=4,$
 $x_2=6,$
 $x_3=8,$
 $x_4=10$

| | A | B | | | | |
|-------|---|---|---|----|----|----|
| i | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| x_i | | 2 | 4 | 6 | 8 | 10 |
| S | 0 | 2 | 6 | 12 | 20 | 30 |

Using Array Names

declaration

```
int A [3] = { 1, 2, 3 };
```

≡

```
int A [] = { 1, 2, 3 };
```

accessing elements

```
A [0] = 100;
```

```
A [1] = 200;
```

```
A [2] = 300;
```

```
A[m] = 100 * m;
```

$m = 0, 1, 2$

a function argument

```
func( A );
```

```
func( int x [ ] ) { ... }
```



Array Initialization (1)

```
int a [5] ;
```

uninitialized values (garbage)

```
int a [5] = { 1, 2, 3 };
```

= { 1, 2, 3, 0, 0 }

```
int a [5] = { 0 };
```

= { 0, 0, 0, 0, 0 }

All elements with zero

Array Initialization (2)

```
int a [5] = { 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 };
```

sizeof(a) = 5*4 = 20 bytes

```
int b [] = { 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 };
```

sizeof(b) = 5*4 = 20 bytes

```
int b [];
```

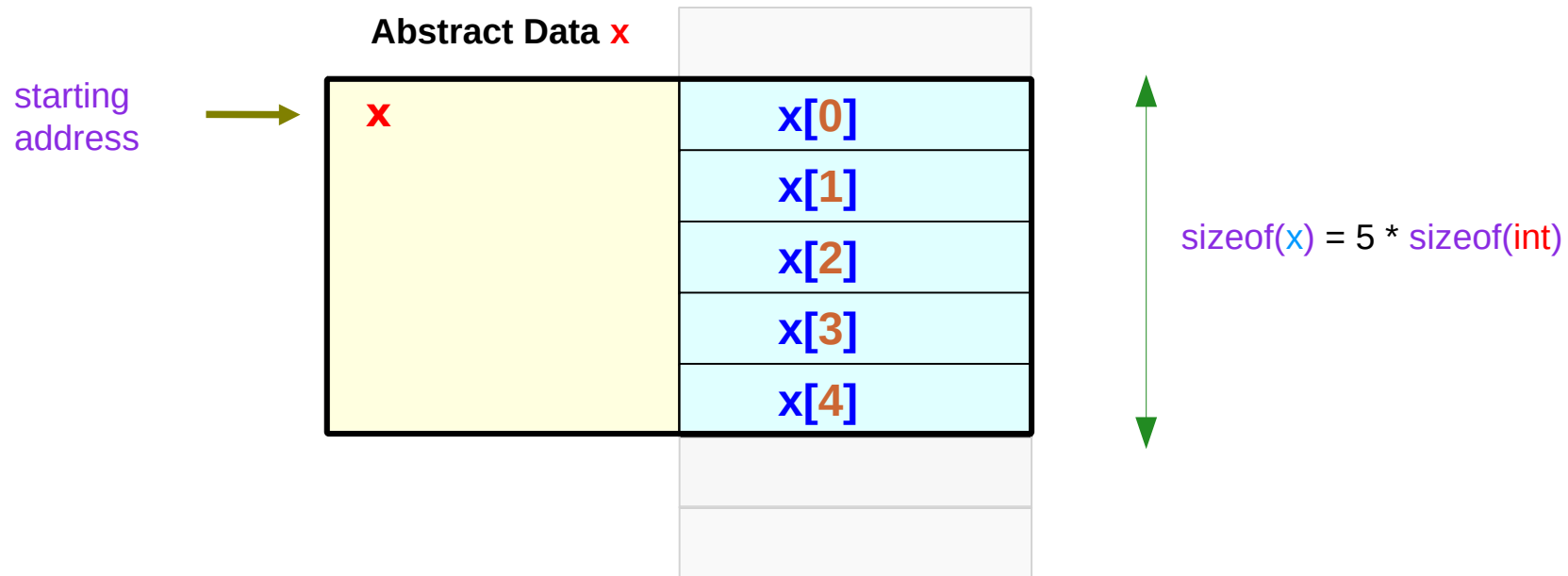
```
int c [3][4] = { { 1, 2, 3, 4},  
                 { 5, 6, 7, 8},  
                 { 9,10,11,12} };
```

sizeof(c) = 3*4*4 = 48 bytes

Abstract data **x**

```
int      x[5];
```

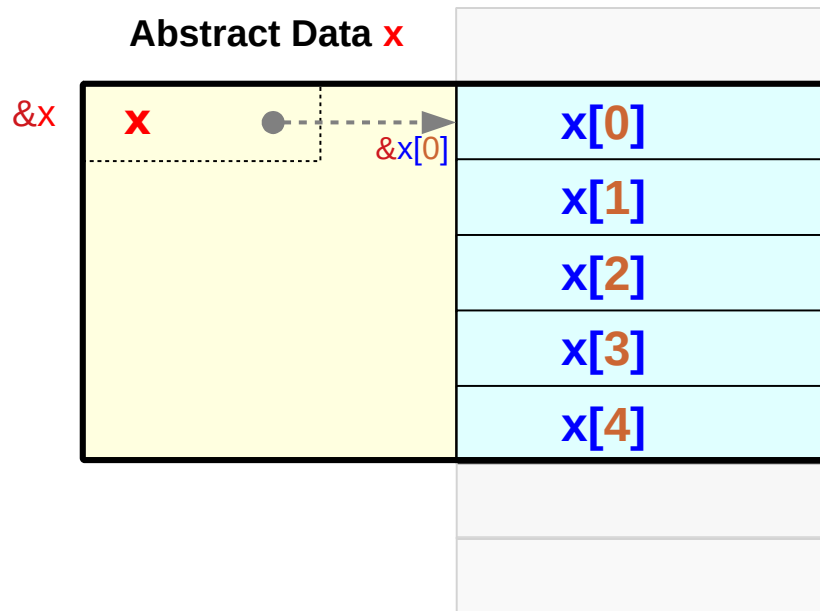
x holds the *starting address*
of **5** consecutive *int* variables



Abstract data x as a pointer

```
int      x[5];
```

x holds the *starting address*
of 5 consecutive *int* variables



pointer relation

$x \equiv \&x[0]$

$*x \equiv x[0]$

$\text{value}(\&x) = \text{value}(x) = \text{value}(\&x[0])$

the starting address of 5 consecutive int variables

not a real pointer x

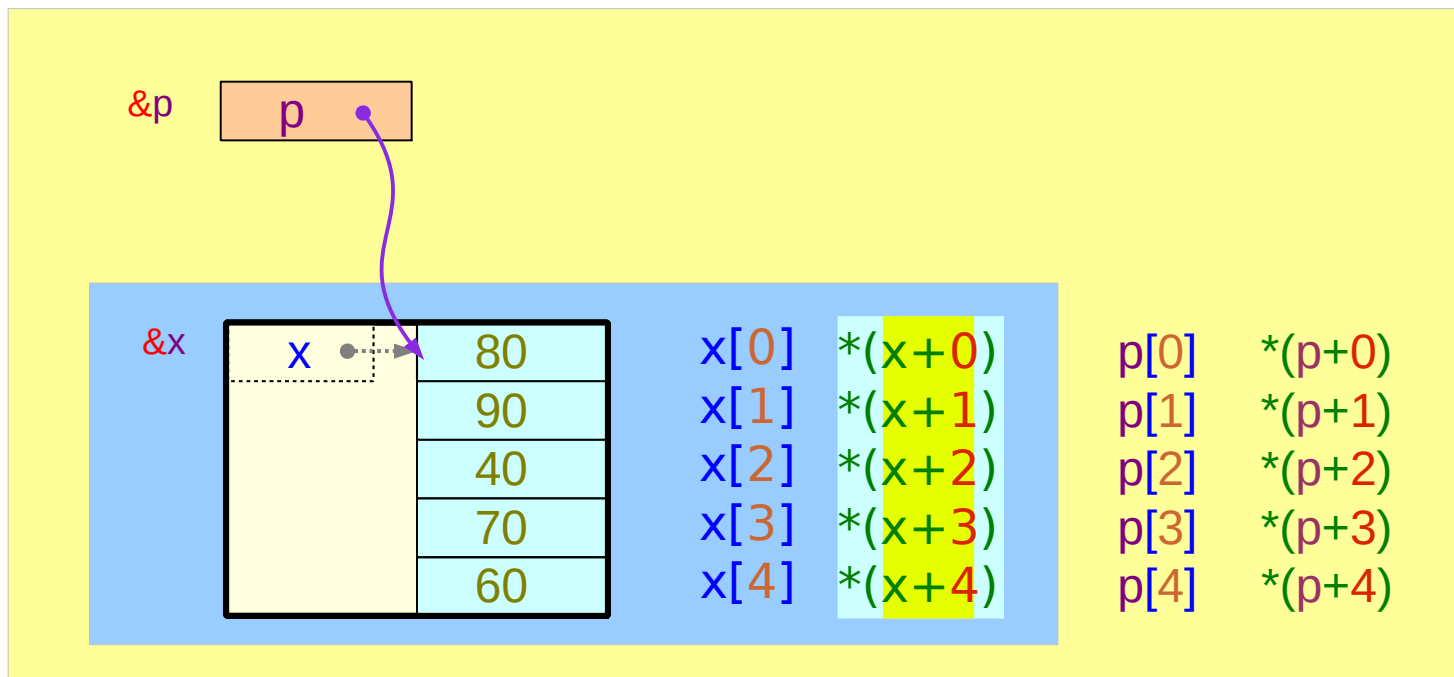
Accessing an Array with a Pointer Variable

```
int x [5] = { 80, 90, 40, 70, 60 };
```

```
int *p = x;
```

x is a constant symbol
cannot be changed

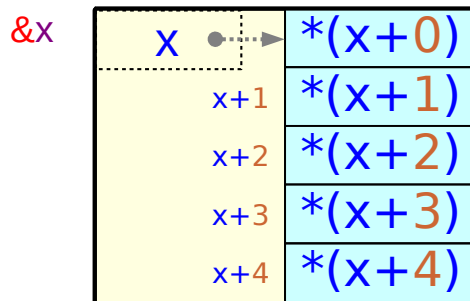
p is a variable
can point to other addresses



An Array Name and a Pointer Variable

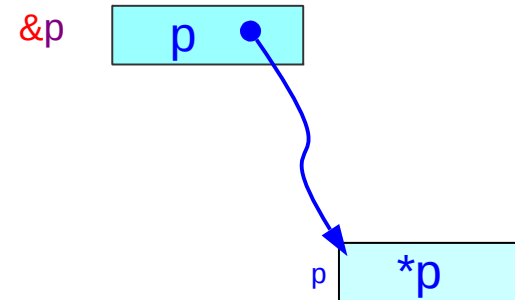
```
int x [5] ;
```

x : an array name (constant)
Value: the starting address of
5 consecutive int variables



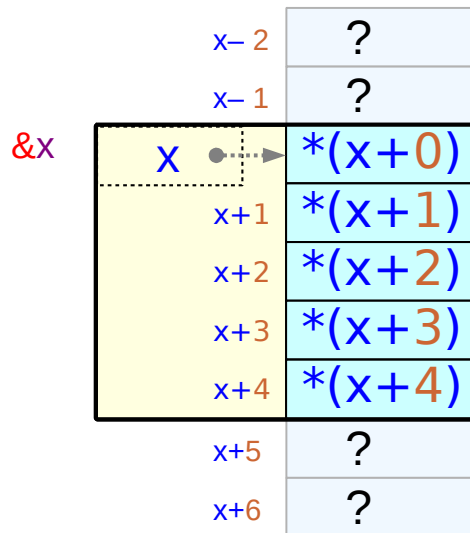
```
int * p ;
```

p : an variable name
Value: the address
of an int variable

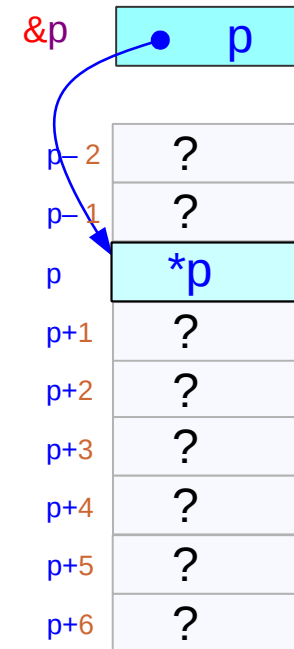


Out of range index

```
int x [5] ;
```



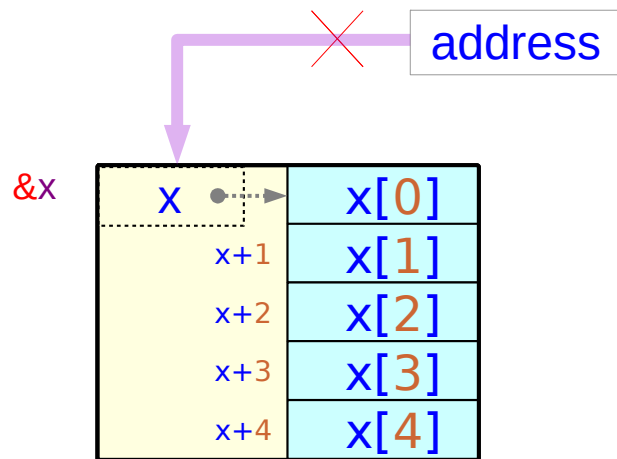
```
int * p ;
```



A programmer's responsibility

Assignment of an address

```
int x [5] ;
```

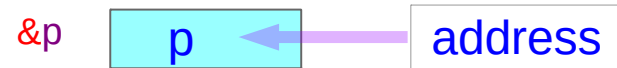


x is not a variable
but a constant symbol

x and $\&x$ give the same
value of $\&x[0]$

This address is embedded
as a constant in the executable file
and cannot be changed

```
int * p ;
```



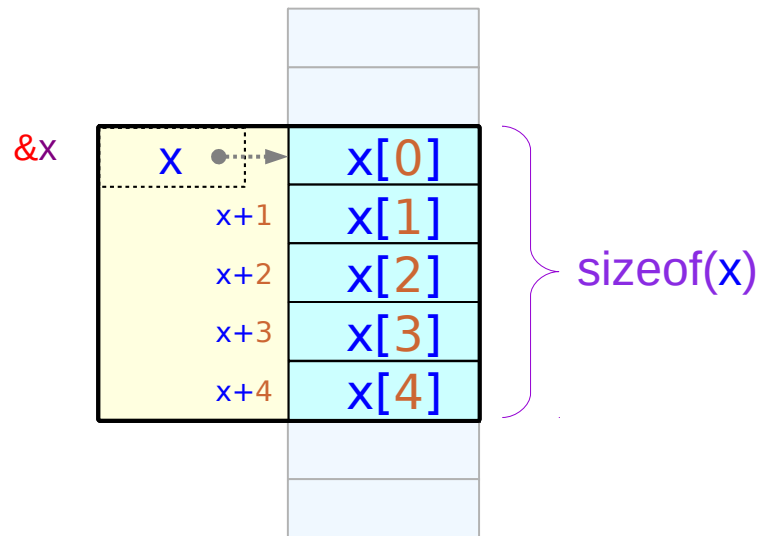
p is a variable

has an allocated memory location

its value can be changed

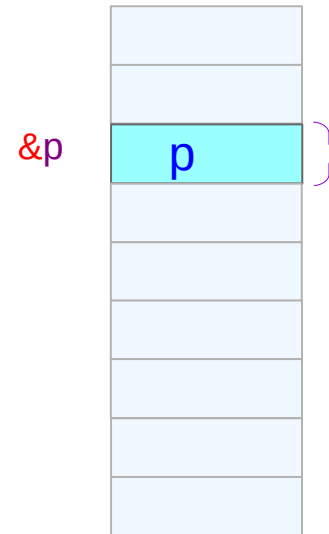
Size

```
int x [5] ;
```



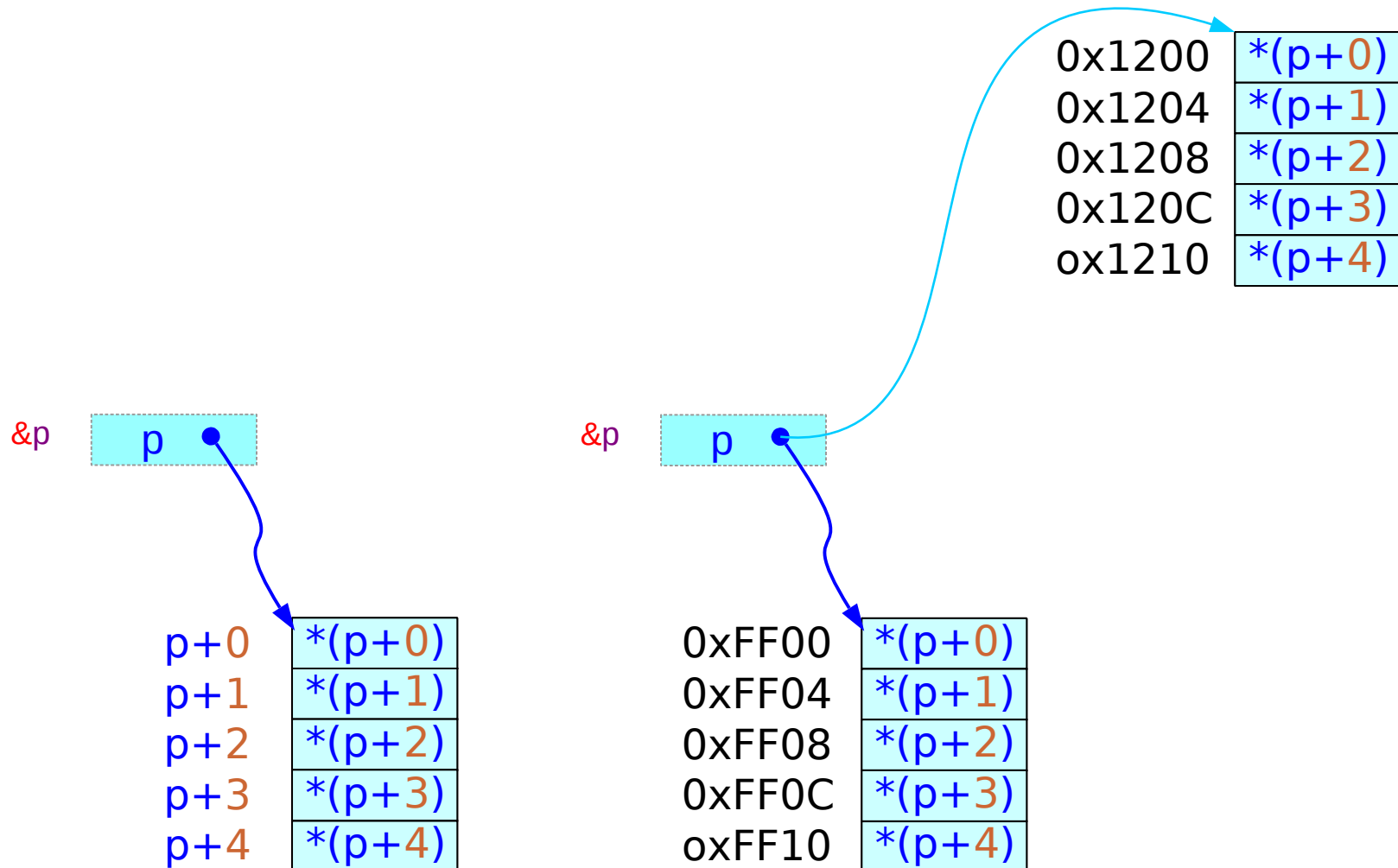
$\text{sizeof}(x) = 5 * \text{sizeof}(\text{int})$

```
int * p ;
```



$\text{sizeof}(p) = \text{size of a pointer}$
 $= 4 / 8 \text{ bytes}$

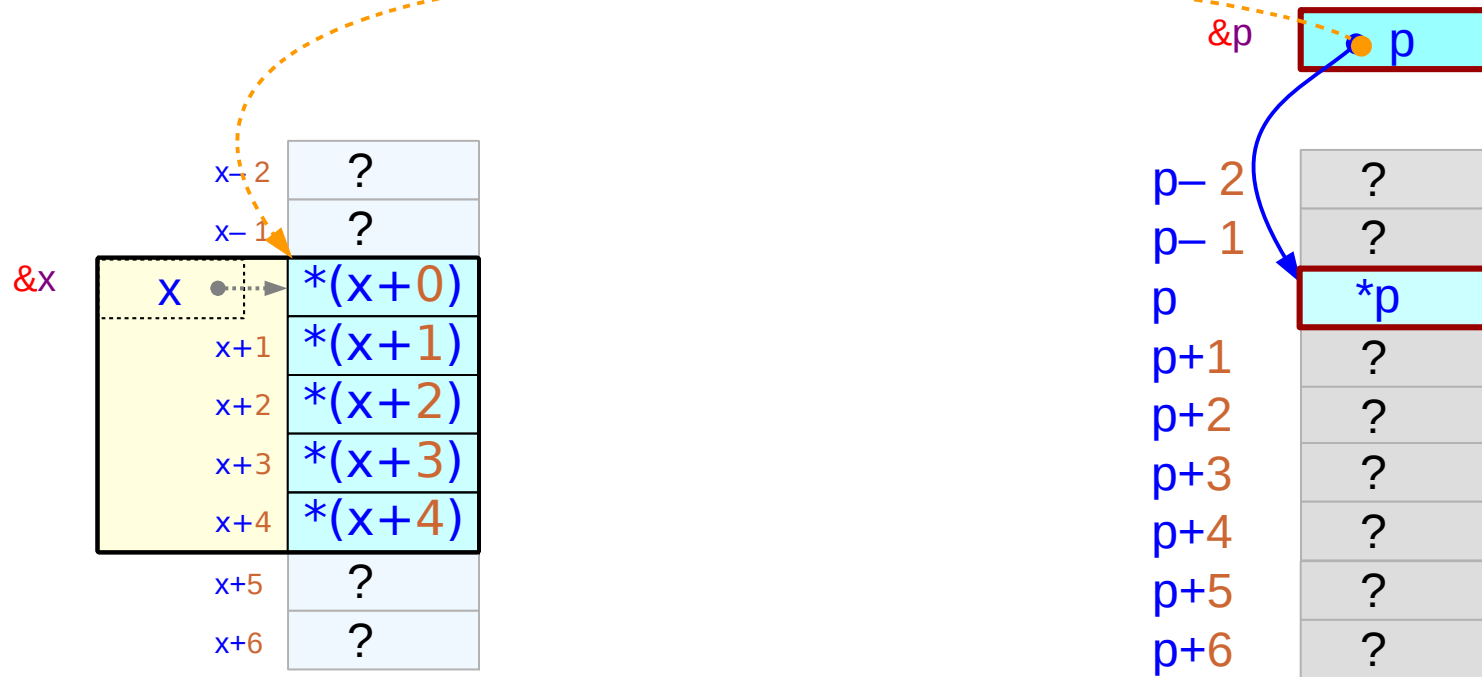
Pointer variable can point different locations



Pointer to an integer

```
int x [5] ;
```

```
int * p ;
```



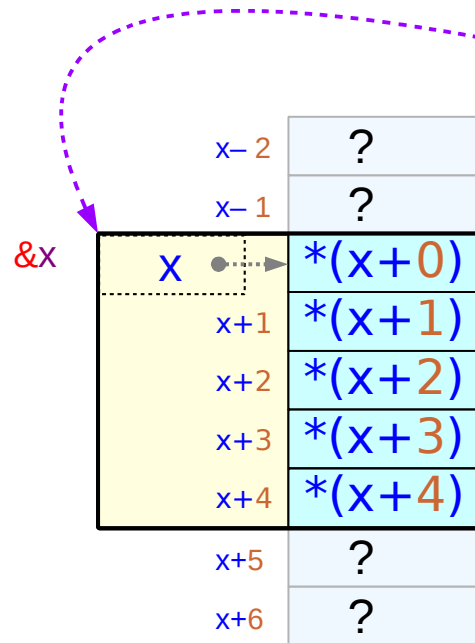
```
*p = *x ;
```



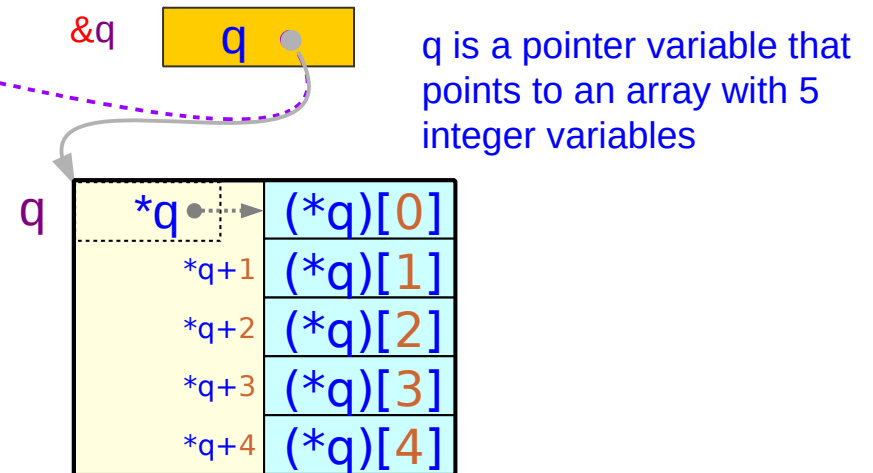
```
p = x ;
```


Pointer to an array

```
int x [5] ;
```



```
int (*q) [5] ;
```



```
*q = x ;
```

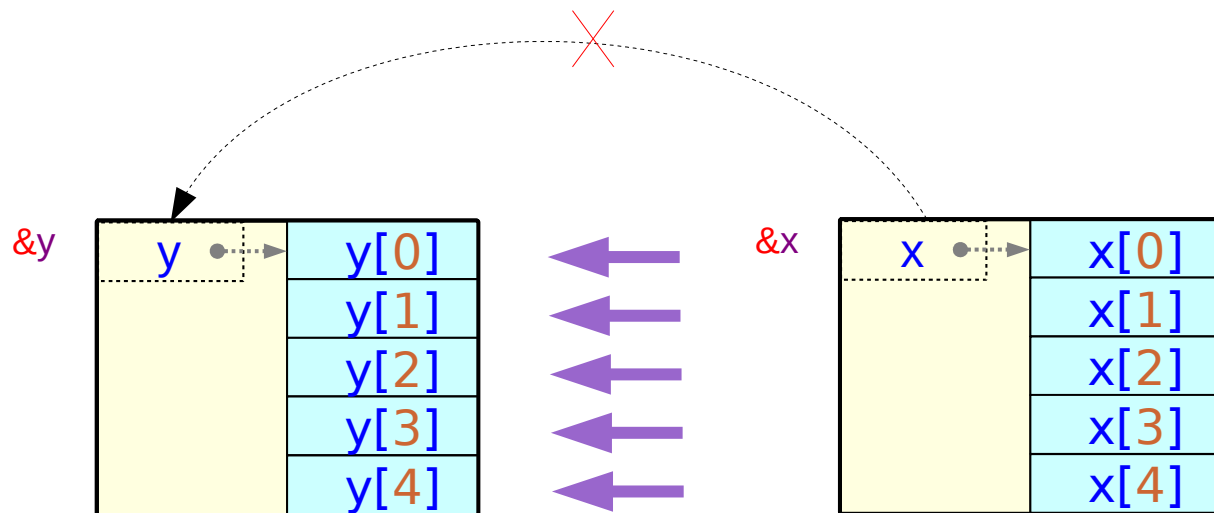


```
q = &x ;
```

* not frequently used feature

Copying an Array to another Array

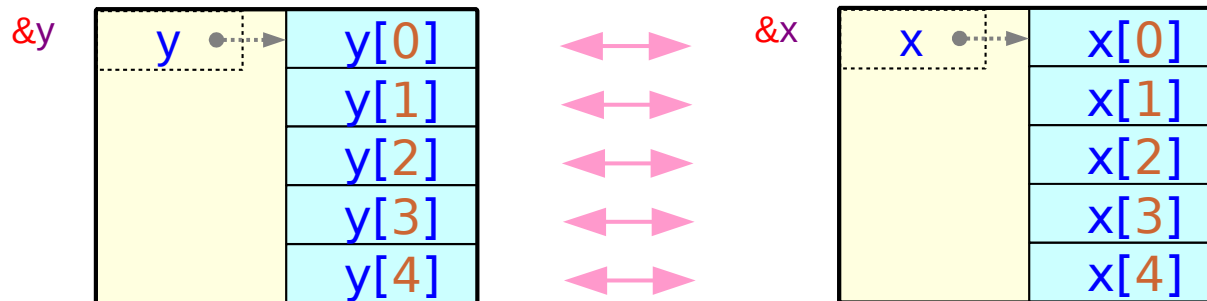
```
int x [5] = { 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 };  
int y [5] ;  
y = x;
```



```
for (i=0; i<5; ++i)  
    y[i] = x[i];
```

Comparing an Array with another Array

```
int x [5] = { 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 };  
int y [5] = { 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 };  
x == y
```



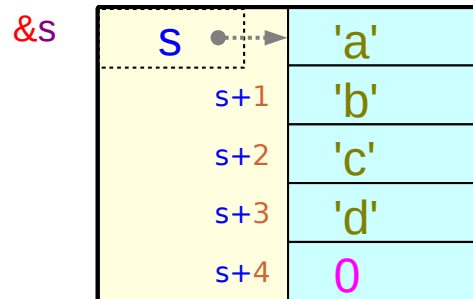
```
EQ=1;  
for (i=0; i<5; ++i)  
    EQ &= (y[i] == x[i]);
```

Initialized Character Arrays and Pointers (1)

```
char s [5] = { 'a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 0 };
```

```
char s [5] = "abcd";
```

```
char *p = "xyz";
```

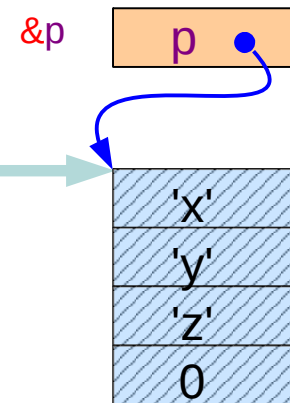


can change the value of any element

```
*s = 'm';  
s[0] = 'm';
```

a compiler determined constant address

a **constant** character string (array)



cannot change the value of any element of a **constant** array

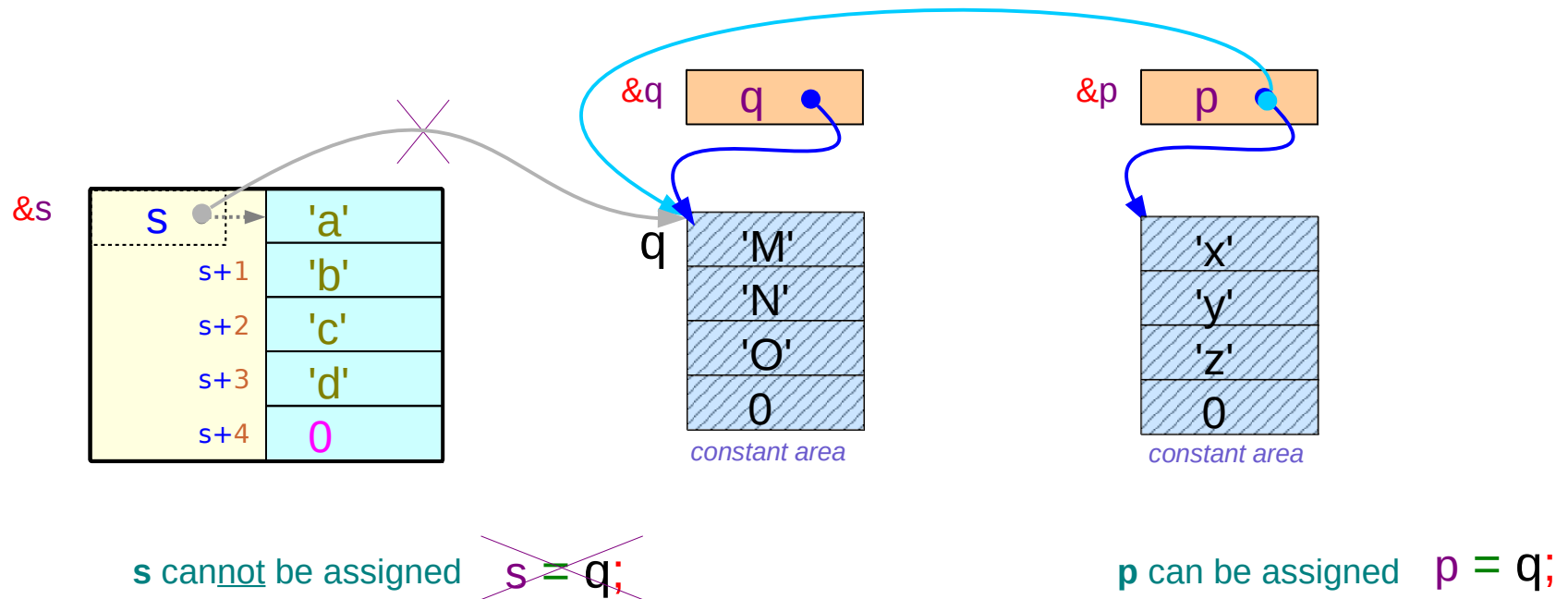
```
*p = 'm';  
p[0] = 'm';
```

Initialized Character Arrays and Pointers (2)

```
char s [5] = { 'a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 0 };
```

```
char s [5] = "abcd";
```

```
char *p = "xyz", *q = "MNO" ;
```

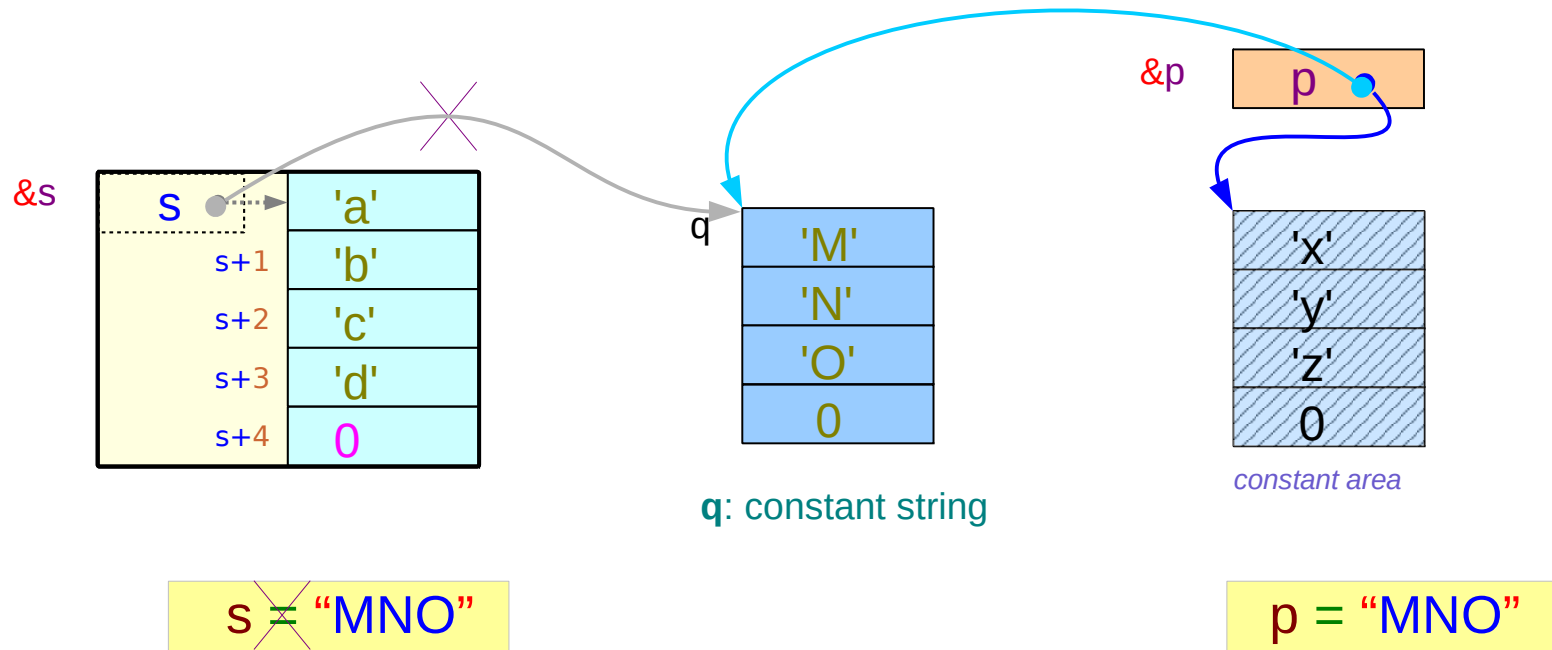


Assigning a constant character string

```
char s [5] = { 'a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 0 };
```

```
char s [5] = "abcd";
```

```
char *p = "xyz";
```

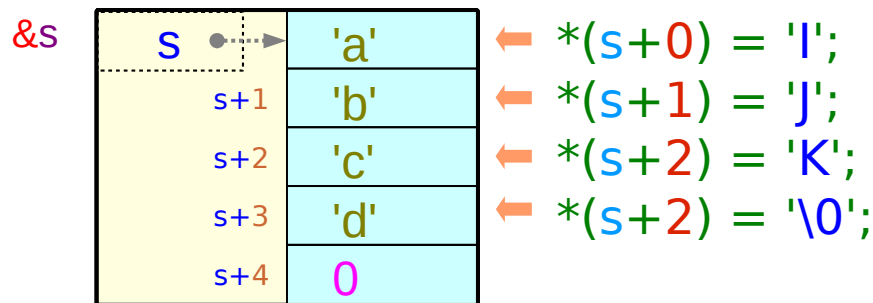


Copying a string

```
char s [5] = { 'a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 0 };
```

```
char s [5] = "abcd";
```

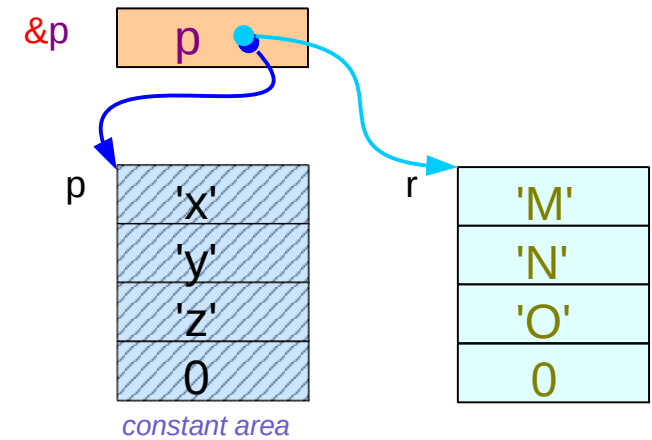
```
char *p = "xyz";
```



```
strcpy (s, "IJK");
```

p: constant string

r: non-constant string



```
strcpy (p, "IJK");
```

```
strcpy (r, "IJK");
```

Uninitialized Character Arrays and Pointers

```
char s [5];  
char *p;
```

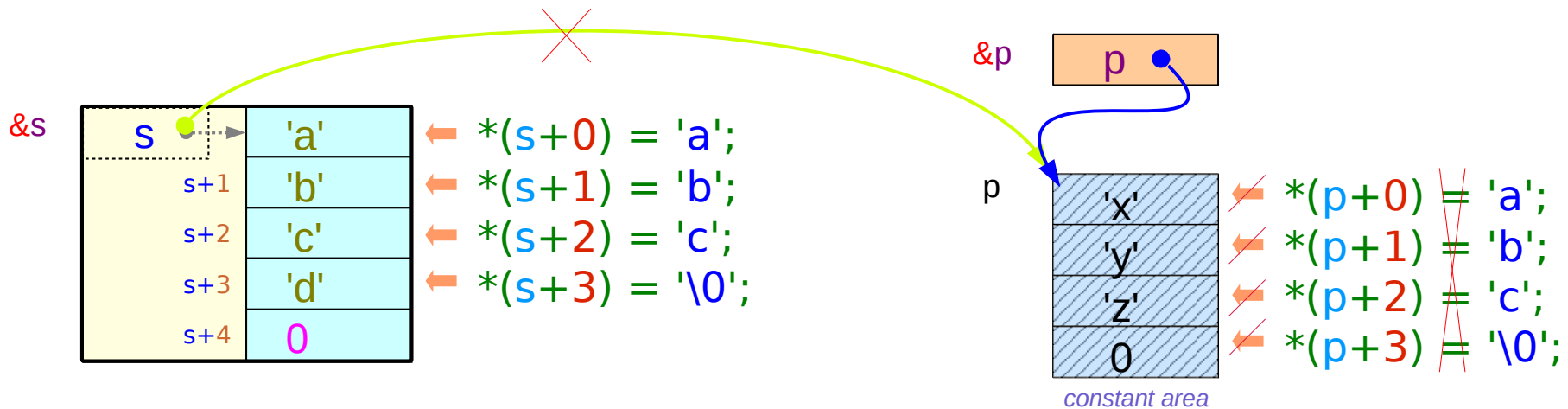
```
s = "xyz";      char * const s  
p = "xyz";      const char * p
```

```
strcpy (s, "abc");
```

```
strcpy (p, "abc");
```

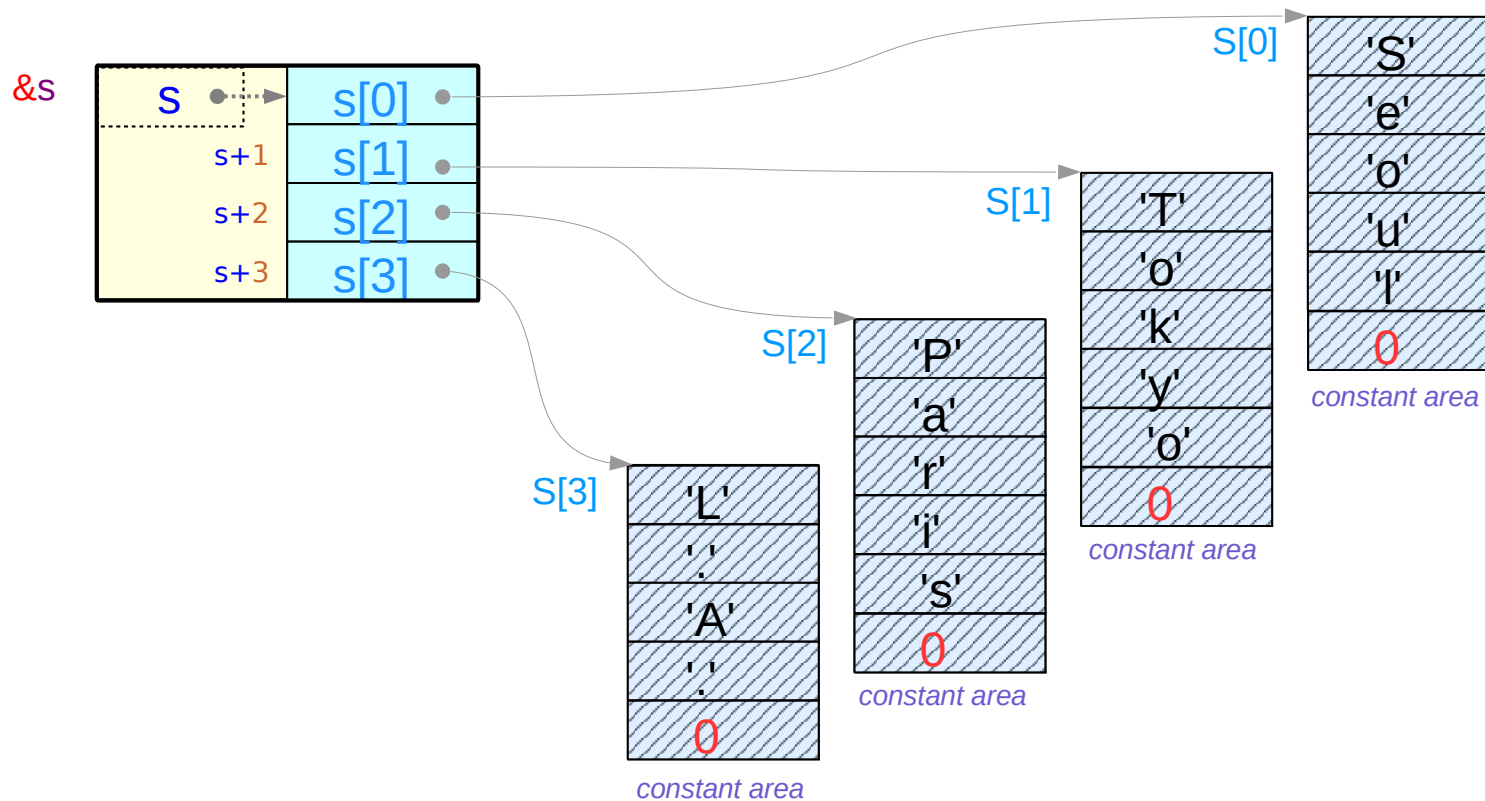
s cannot point to other location

p points to a string constant which cannot be changed



Arrays of Pointers

```
char * S [4] = { "Seoul", "Tokyo", "Paris", "LA"};
```



A[] Notation

1. An array definition with **initializers**

`int x [] = { 1, 2, 3 };  int x [3]`

2. A formal **parameter** definition in a function

`func(int x []) { ... }  int * const x (x : a constant)`

`compatible  int * p (p : a variable)`

A[][n] Notation

1. An array definition with **initializers**

`int x [][3] = { {1, 2, 3}, {4,5,6} };`  `int x [2][3]`

2. A formal **parameter** definition in a function

`func(int x [][3]) { ... }`  `int (* const x)[3]` (constant)

not compatible  `int ** p` (variable)

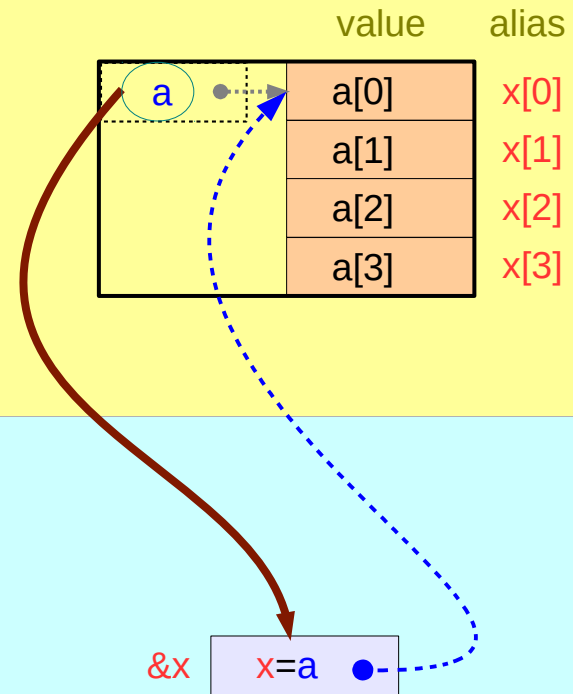
Passing 1-d Arrays – using 0-d array pointer

```
int a [ ] = { 1, 2, 3, 4 };
```

```
func( a );
```

```
func( int (*x) ) {  
    ...  
}
```

or `int x []`



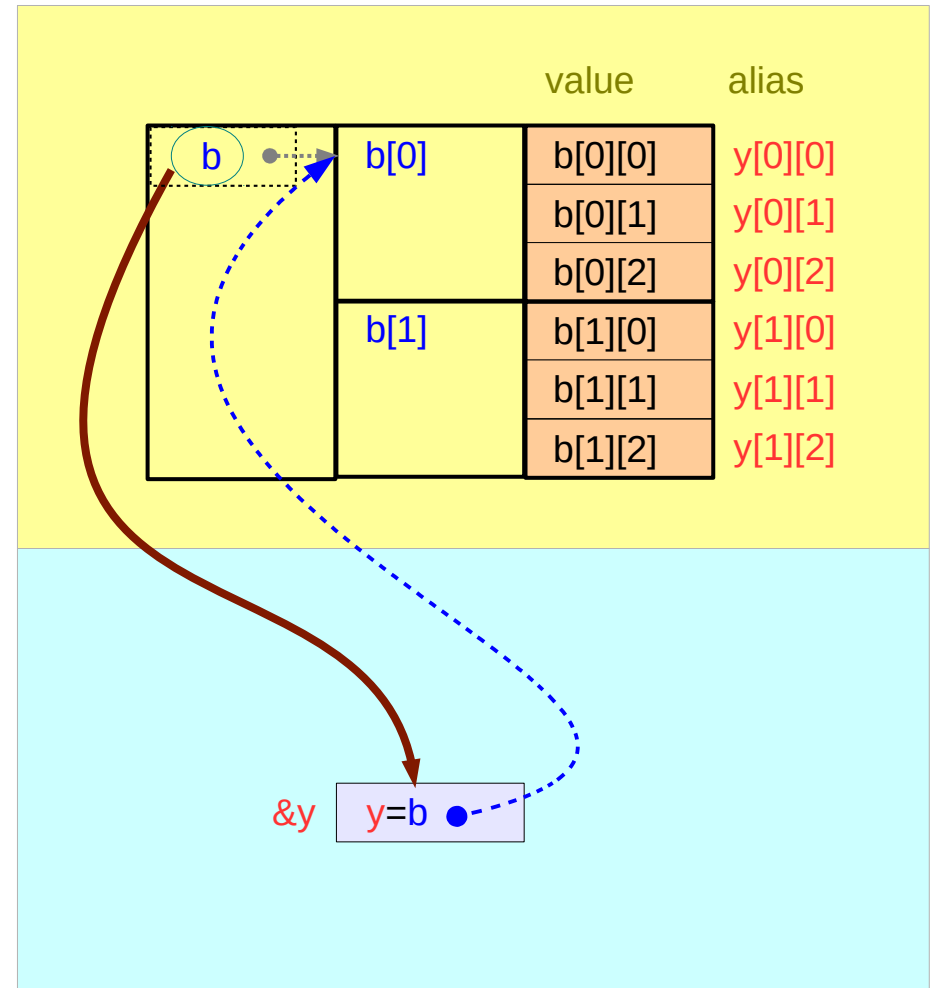
Passing 2-d Arrays – using 1-d array pointer

```
int b [ ][3] = { {1, 2, 3},  
                {4, 5, 6} };
```

```
func( b );
```

```
func( int (*y) [3] ) {  
    ...  
}
```

or `int y [][3]`



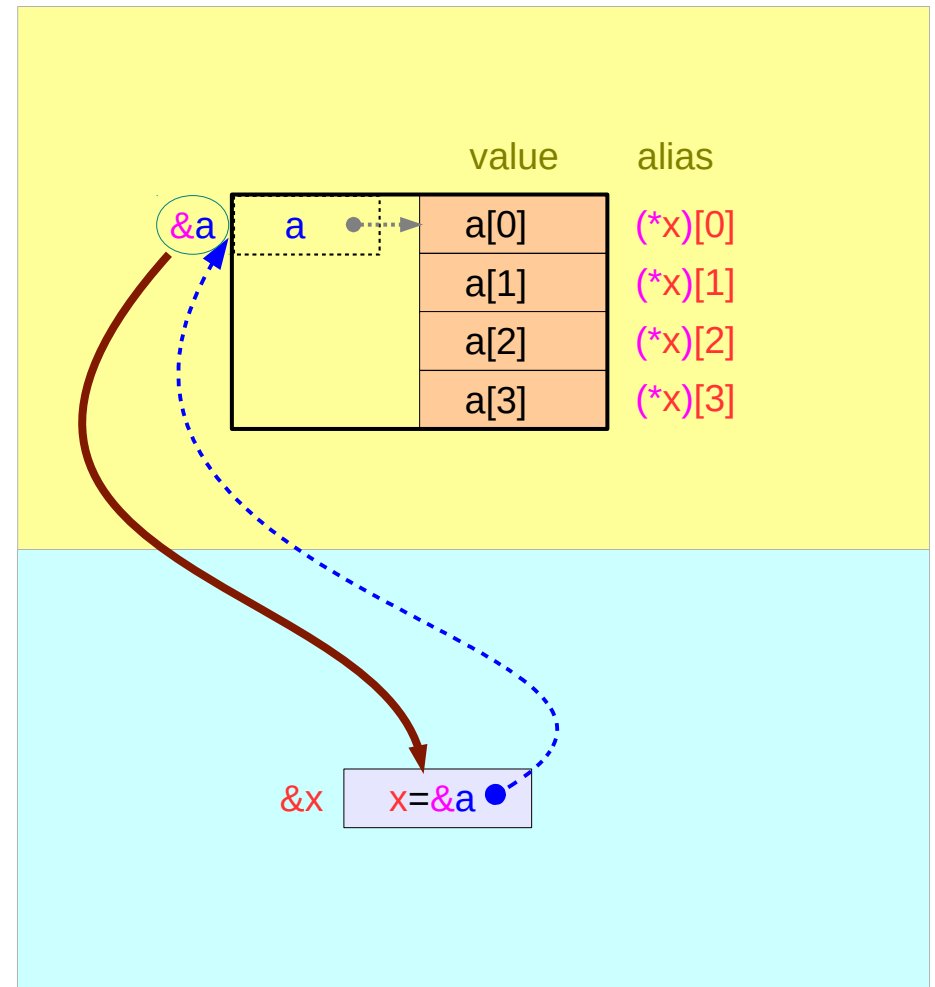
Passing 1-d Arrays – using 1-d array pointer

```
int a [ ] = { 1, 2, 3, 4 };
```

```
func( &a );
```

```
func( int (*x) [4] ) {  
    ...  
}
```

or `int x [][4]`



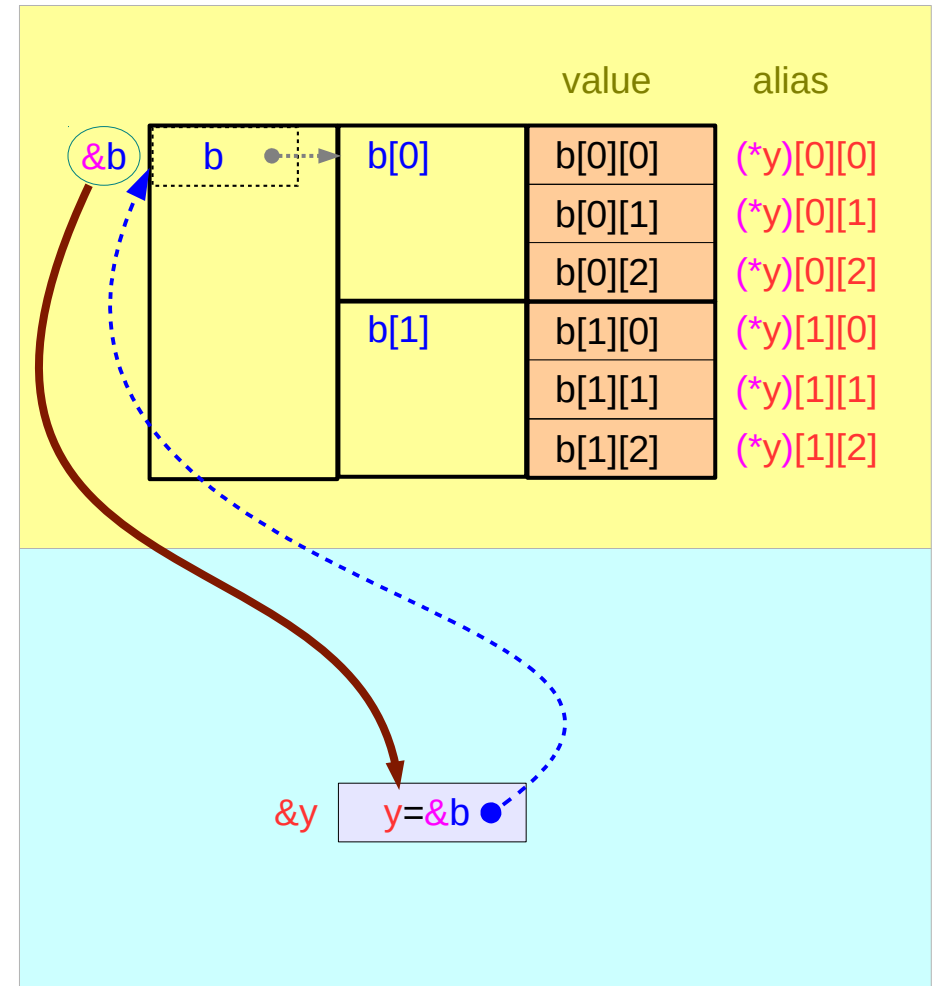
Passing 2-d Arrays – using 2-d array pointer

```
int b [ ][3] = { {1, 2, 3},  
                {4, 5, 6} };
```

```
func( &b );
```

```
func( int (*y) [2][3] ) {  
    ...  
}
```

or `int y [][2][3]`



Passing an individual element by value

```
int a [ ] = { 1, 2, 3, 4 };
```

```
func( a[3] );
```

```
func( int x ) {  
    ...  
}
```

```
int b [ ][3] = { {1, 2, 3},  
                 {4, 5, 6} };
```

```
func( b[0][1] );
```

```
func( int y ) {  
    ...  
}
```


Passing an individual element by reference

```
int a [ ] = { 1, 2, 3, 4 };
```

```
func( &a[3] );
```

```
func( int *x ) {  
    ...  
}
```

```
int b [ ][3] = { {1, 2, 3},  
                 {4, 5, 6} };
```

```
func( &b[0][1] );
```

```
func( int *y ) {  
    ...  
}
```

Array Type Definition

```
typedef int AType [4];
```

```
AType A;
```

≡

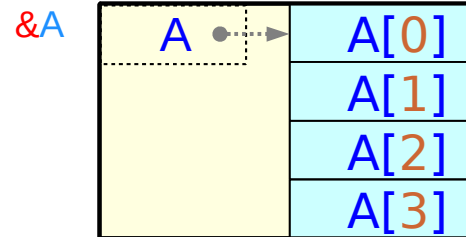
```
int A [4];
```

```
A [0] = 100;
```

```
A [1] = 200;
```

```
A [2] = 300;
```

```
A [3] = 400;
```



Pointer to Array Type Definition

```
typedef int AType [4] ;
```

```
AType A, *q;
```

≡

```
int A[10] , int (*q)[4] ;
```

```
typedef int (* PType) [4] ;
```

```
PType p;
```

≡

```
int (*p)[4] ;
```

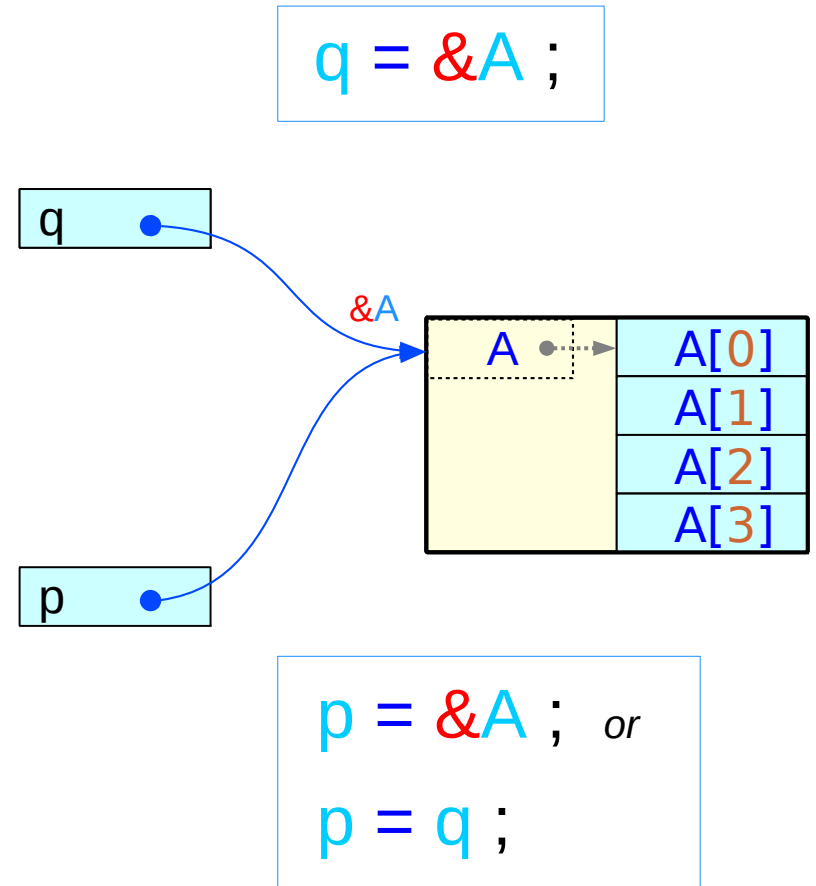
Pointer to Array Type Assignment

```
typedef int AType [4];
```

```
AType A, *q;
```

```
typedef int (* PType) [4];
```

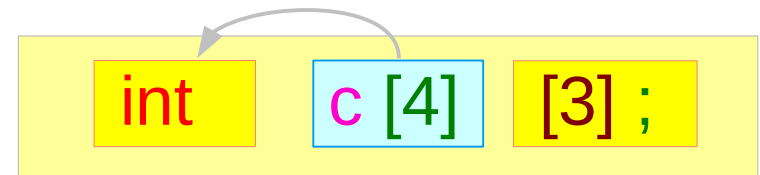
```
PType p;
```



Nested array declared explicitly

```
typedef int row [3] ;  
row c [4] ;
```

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`row c[4]` allocates 4 array pointers in the memory

```
int    a [4];
```

```
int    c [3] [4];
```

- Types of array names
- Values of array names

2-d array definition

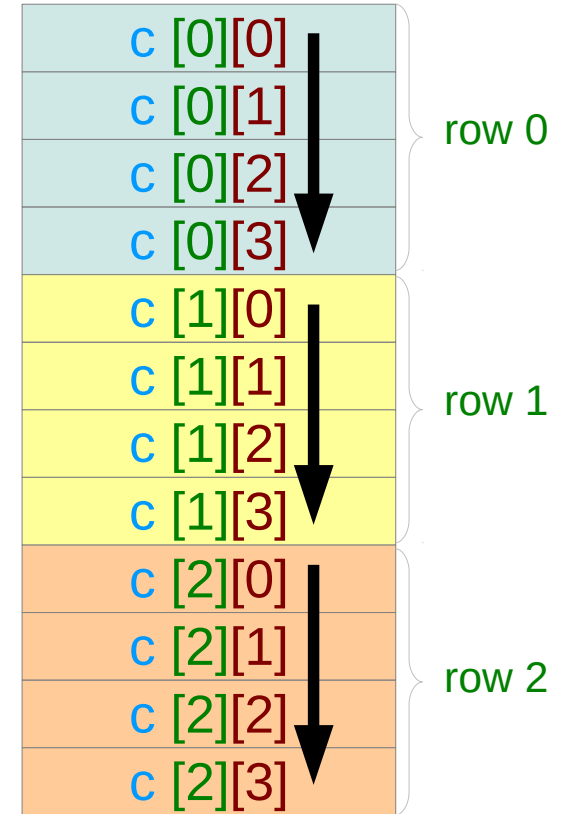
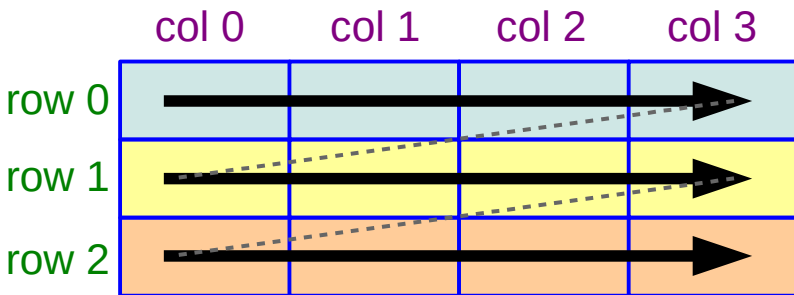
```
int c [3][4];
```

A matrix view

| | col 0 | col 1 | col 2 | col 3 |
|-------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| row 0 | c [0][0] | c [0][1] | c [0][2] | c [0][3] |
| row 1 | c [1][0] | c [1][1] | c [1][2] | c [1][3] |
| row 2 | c [2][0] | c [2][1] | c [2][2] | c [2][3] |

2-d array stored as a linear array

```
int c [3][4];
```



2-d array element address

$$\mathbf{X[i]} \equiv \mathbf{*(X+i)}$$

$$\mathbf{X[j]} \equiv \mathbf{*(X+j)}$$

$$\mathbf{X} \equiv \mathbf{c[i]}$$

$$\mathbf{c[i][j]} \equiv \mathbf{*(c[i]+j)}$$

$$\mathbf{\&c[i][j]} \equiv \mathbf{c[i]+j}$$

the address of $\mathbf{c[i][j]}$ is $\mathbf{c[i]+j}$

Element address = Row address + Column address

| | |
|--------|----------|
| c[0]+0 | c [0][0] |
| c[0]+1 | c [0][1] |
| c[0]+2 | c [0][2] |
| c[0]+3 | c [0][3] |
| c[1]+0 | c [1][0] |
| c[1]+1 | c [1][1] |
| c[1]+2 | c [1][2] |
| c[1]+3 | c [1][3] |
| c[2]+0 | c [2][0] |
| c[2]+1 | c [2][1] |
| c[2]+2 | c [2][2] |
| c[2]+3 | c [2][3] |

Row address $c[i]$

$$c[i][0] \equiv *c[i]$$

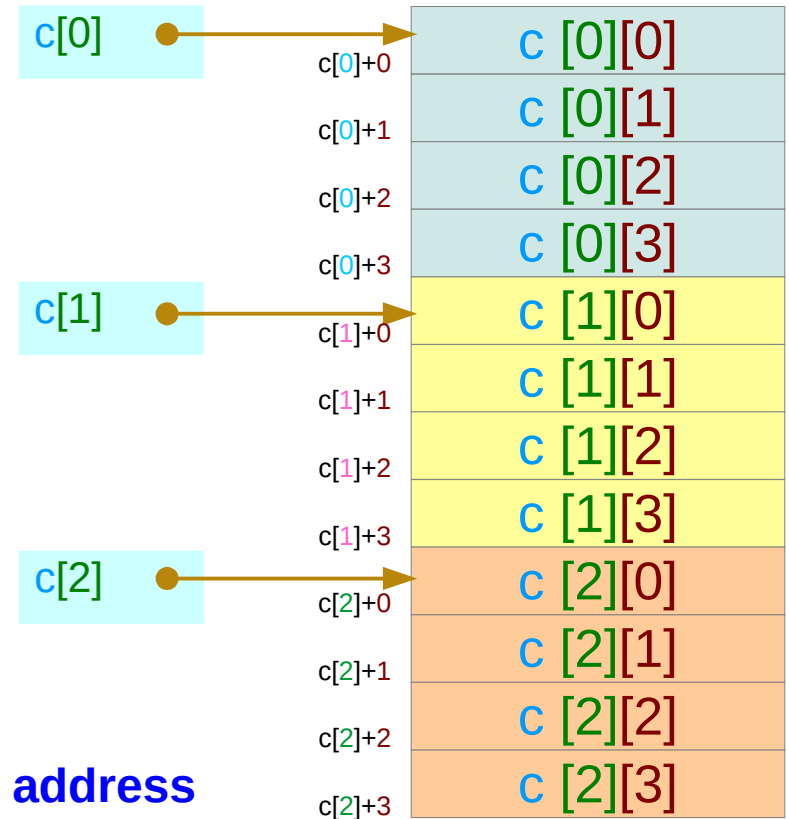
$$\&c[i][0] \equiv c[i]$$

row address :
to the 1st element of each row

$$c[i][j] \equiv *(c[i]+j)$$

$$\&c[i][j] \equiv c[i]+j$$

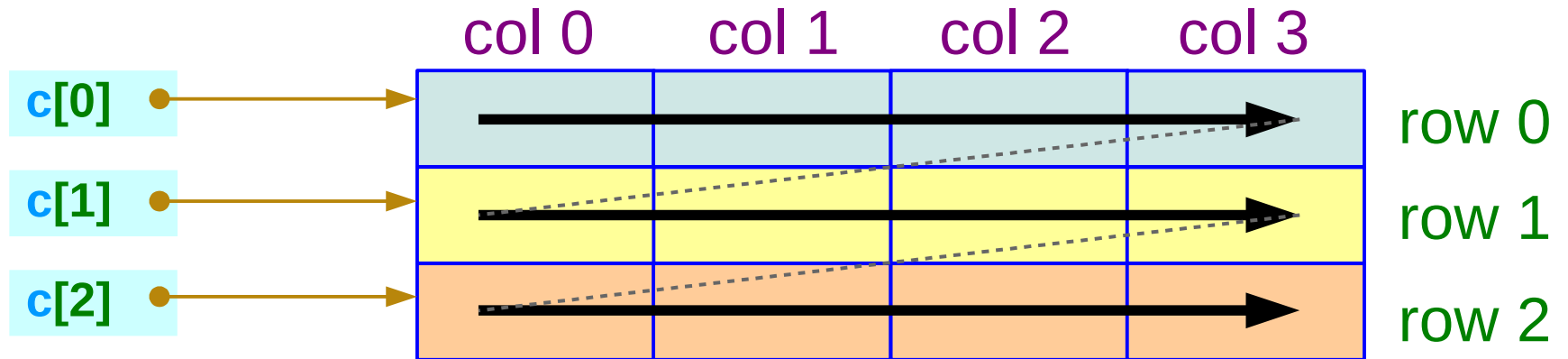
the address of $c[i][j]$ is $c[i]+j$



c[i] as a pointer

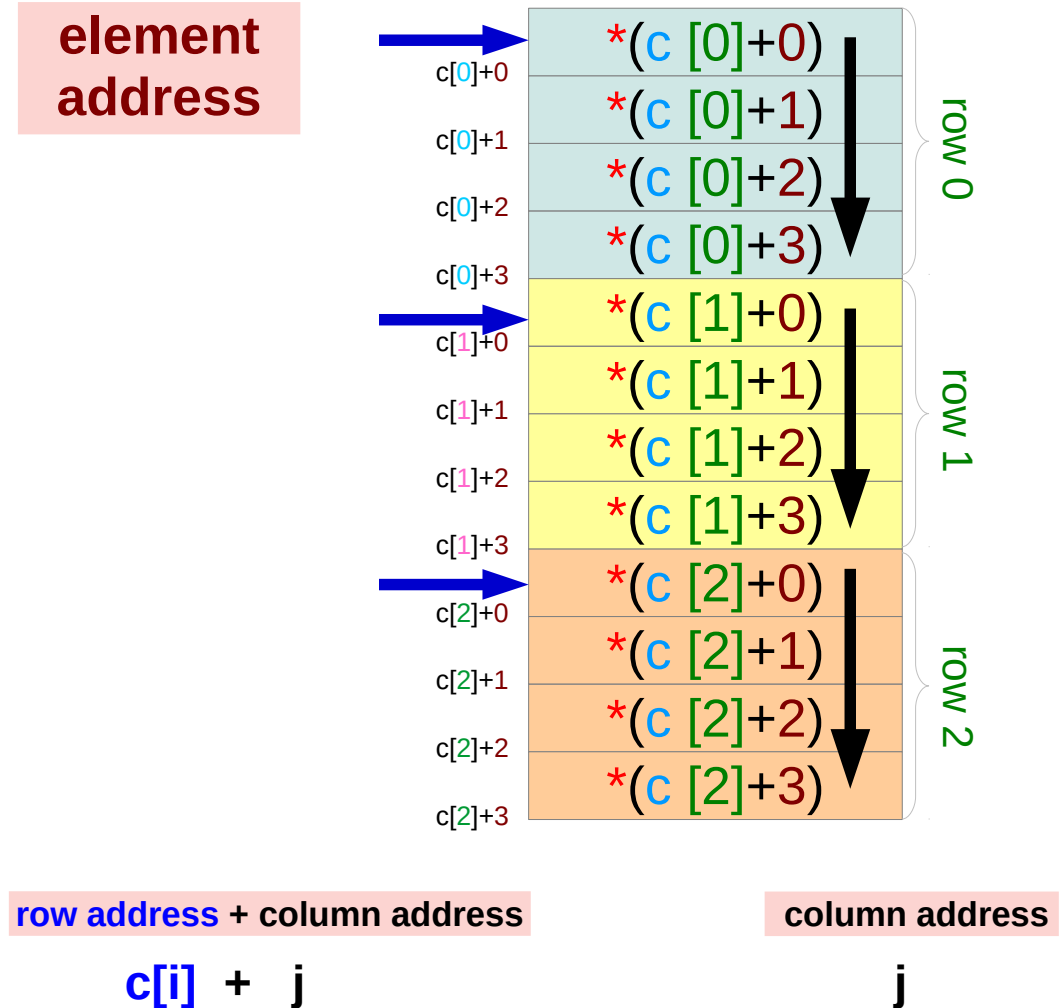
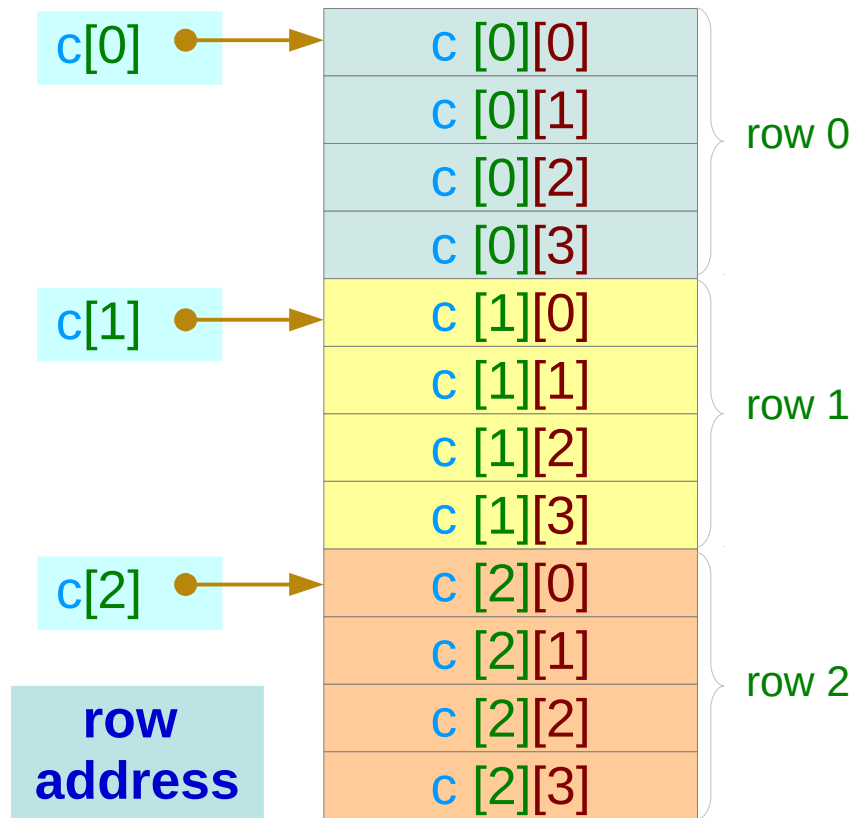
```
int c[3][4];
```

row major ordering



consider each $c[i]$ as a pointer to the first element of each 4 element array

Row Address and Element Address



Base address **c**

$$\mathbf{c[0]} \equiv \mathbf{*(c+0)} \equiv \mathbf{*c}$$

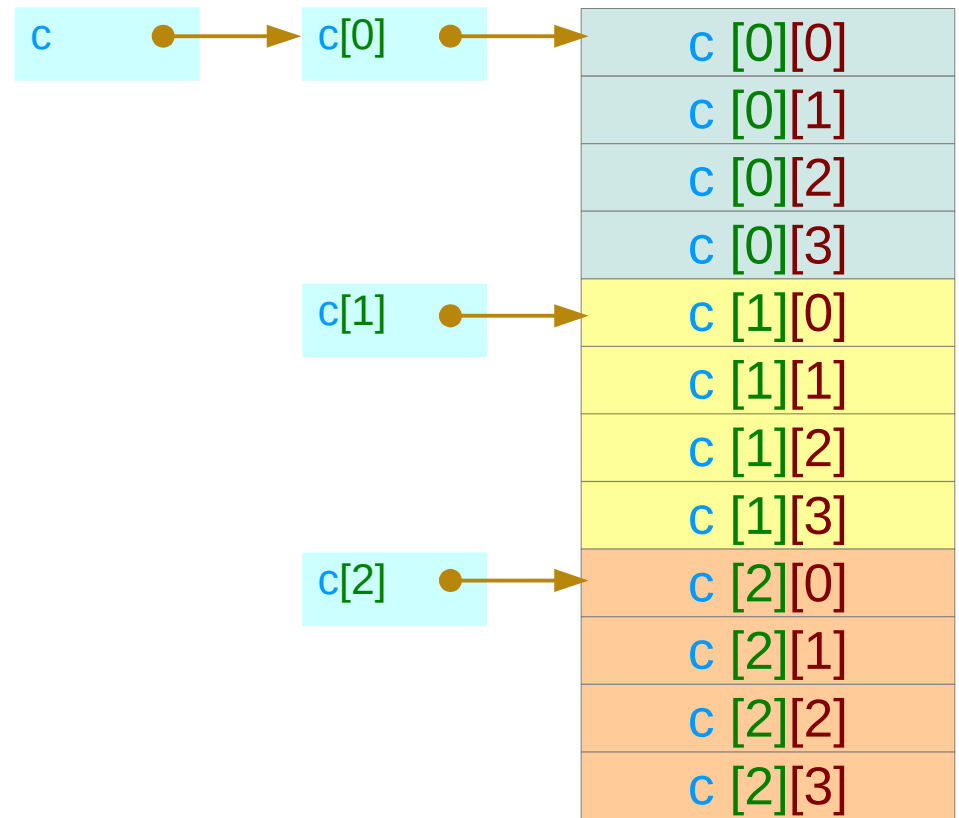
$$\mathbf{\&c[0]} \equiv \mathbf{c+0} \equiv \mathbf{c}$$

Base address
to the 1st row virtual pointer

$$\mathbf{c[i][0]} \equiv \mathbf{*c[i]}$$

$$\mathbf{\&c[i][0]} \equiv \mathbf{c[i]}$$

virtual pointers
to the 1st element of each row



virtual pointers **c**, **c[i]**

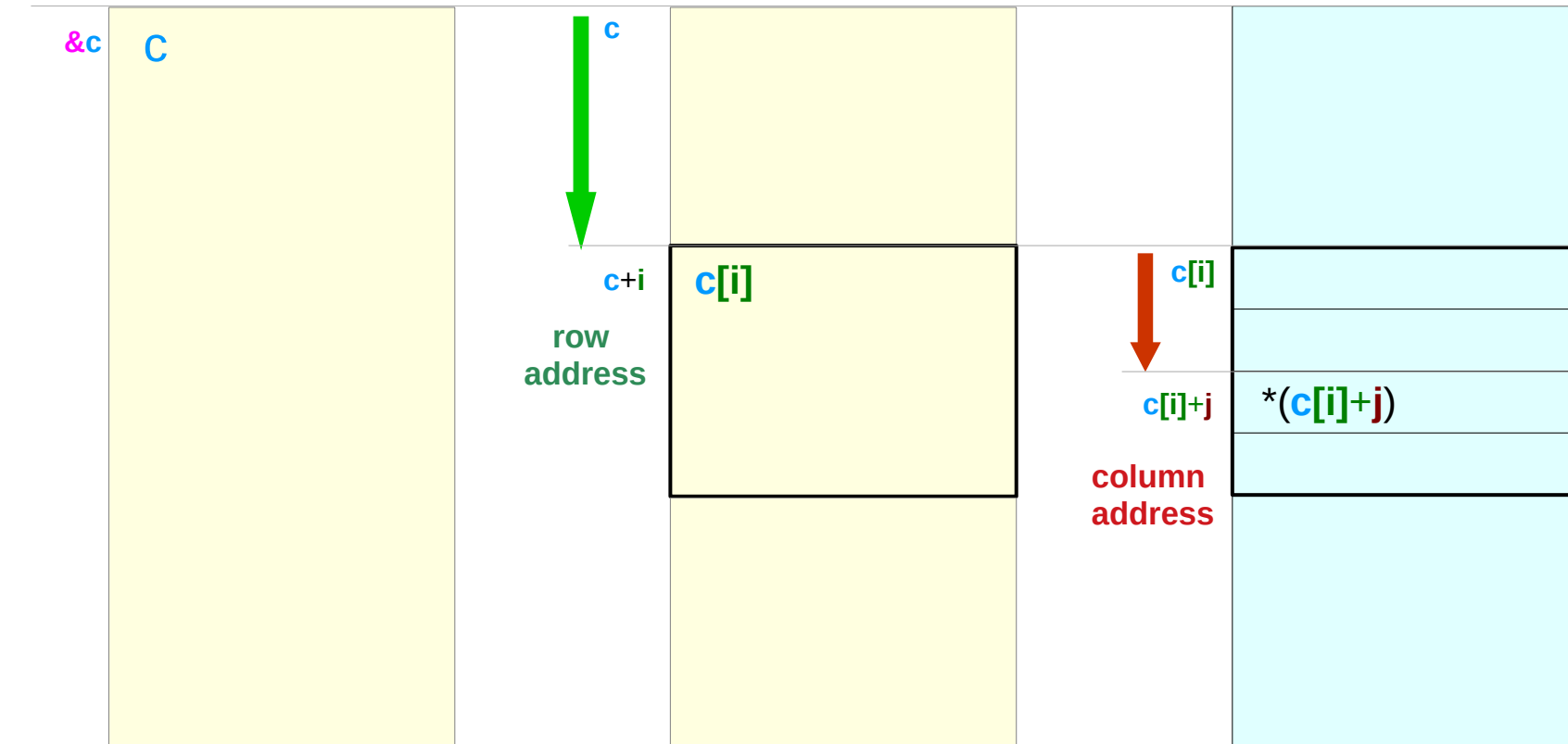
Element address $c[i] + j$

```
int c [3] [4];
```

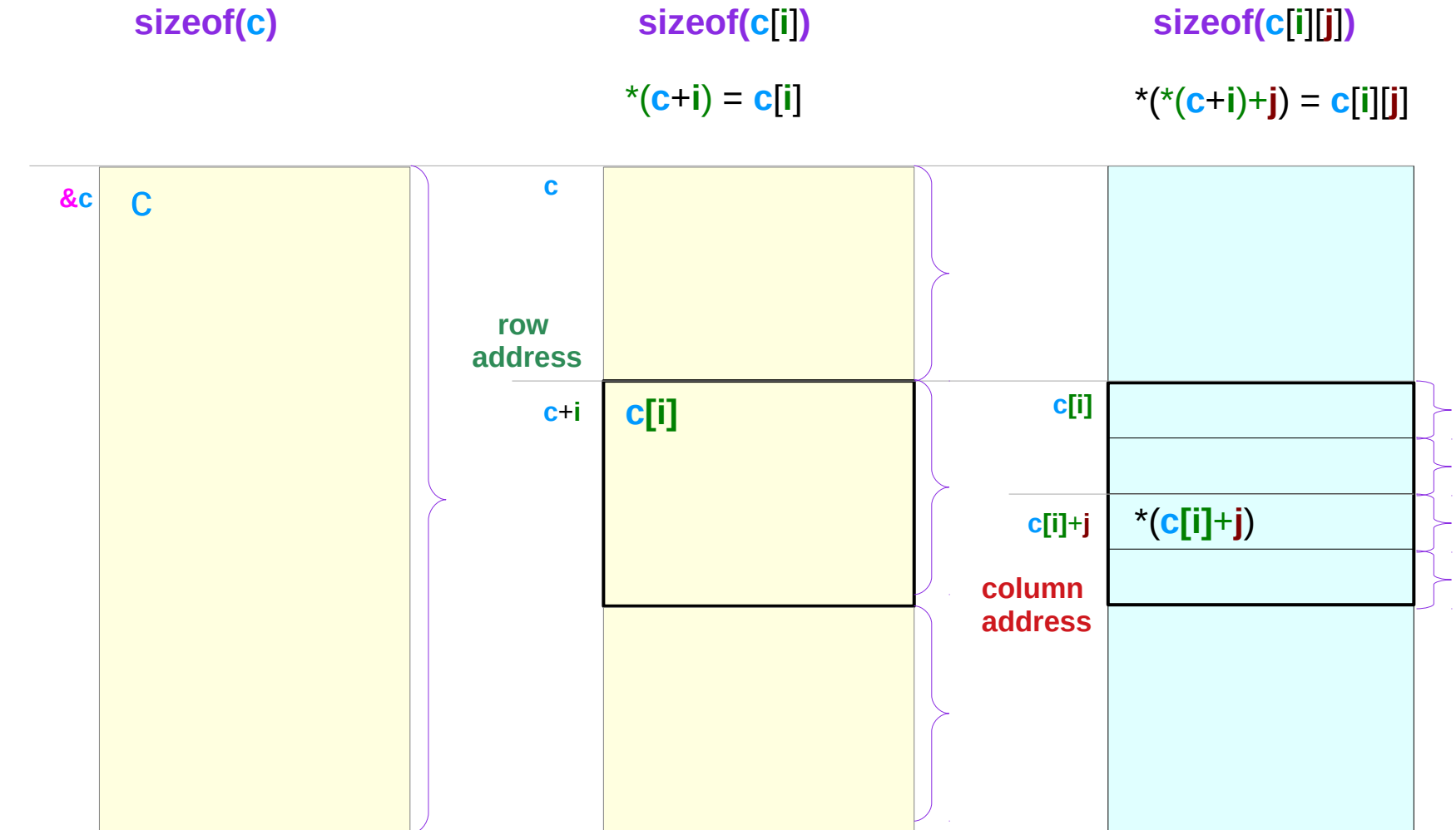
row address + column address

$$*(c+i) = c[i]$$

$$*(*(c+i)+j) = c[i][j]$$

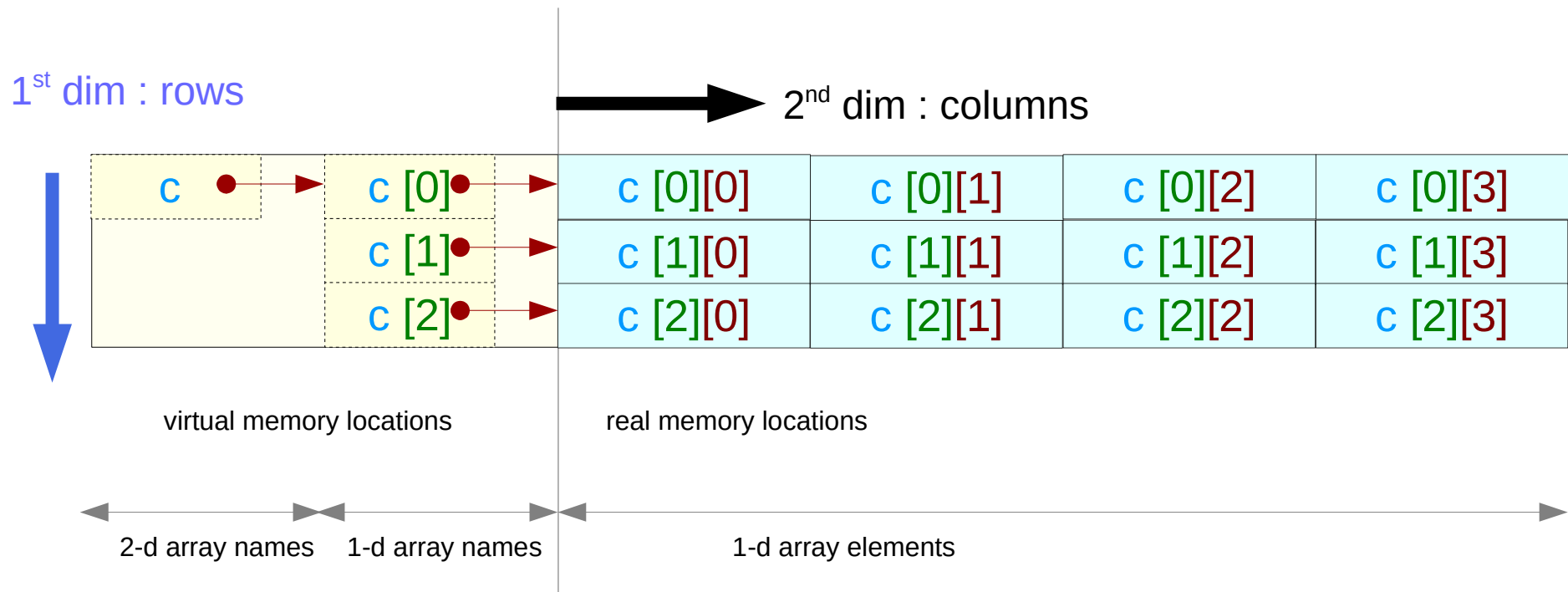


Sizes of `c`, `c[i]`, `c[i][j]`



Virtual pointers c , $c[i]$

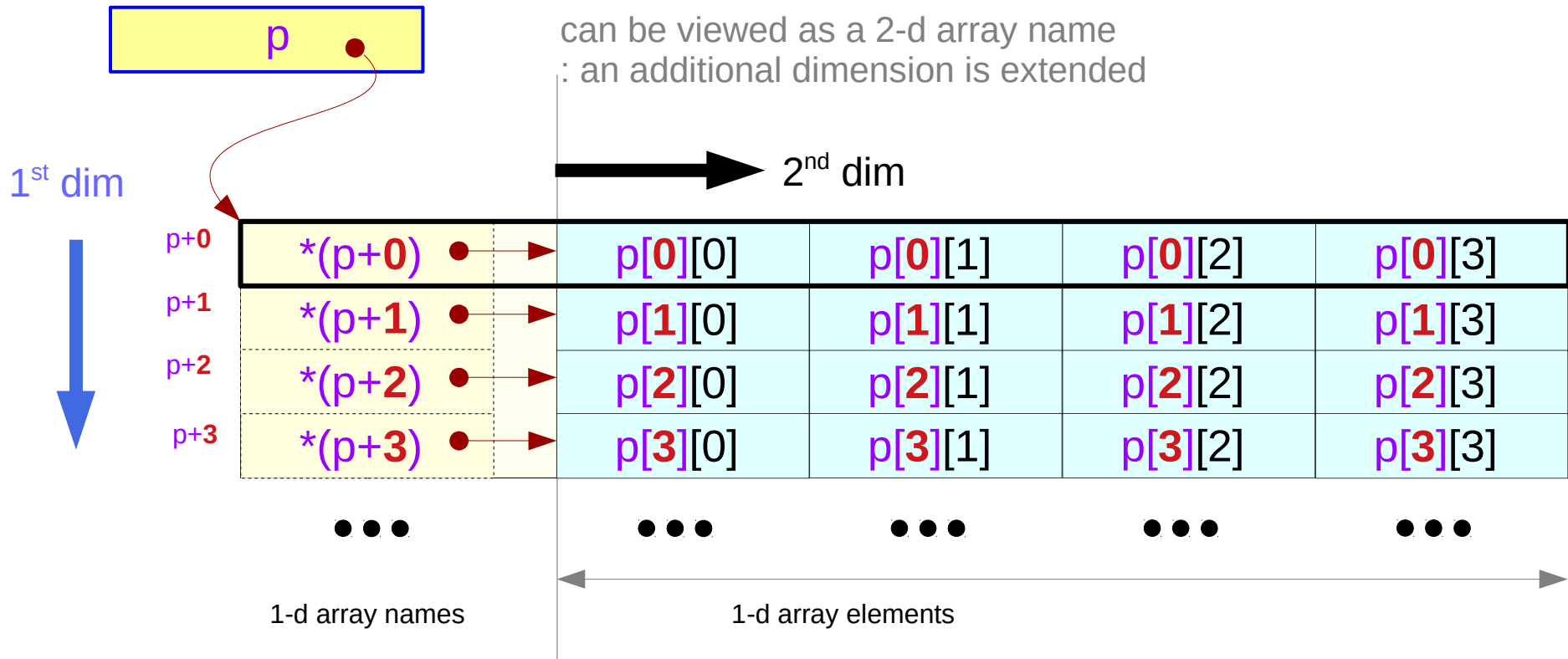
```
int c [3][4];
```



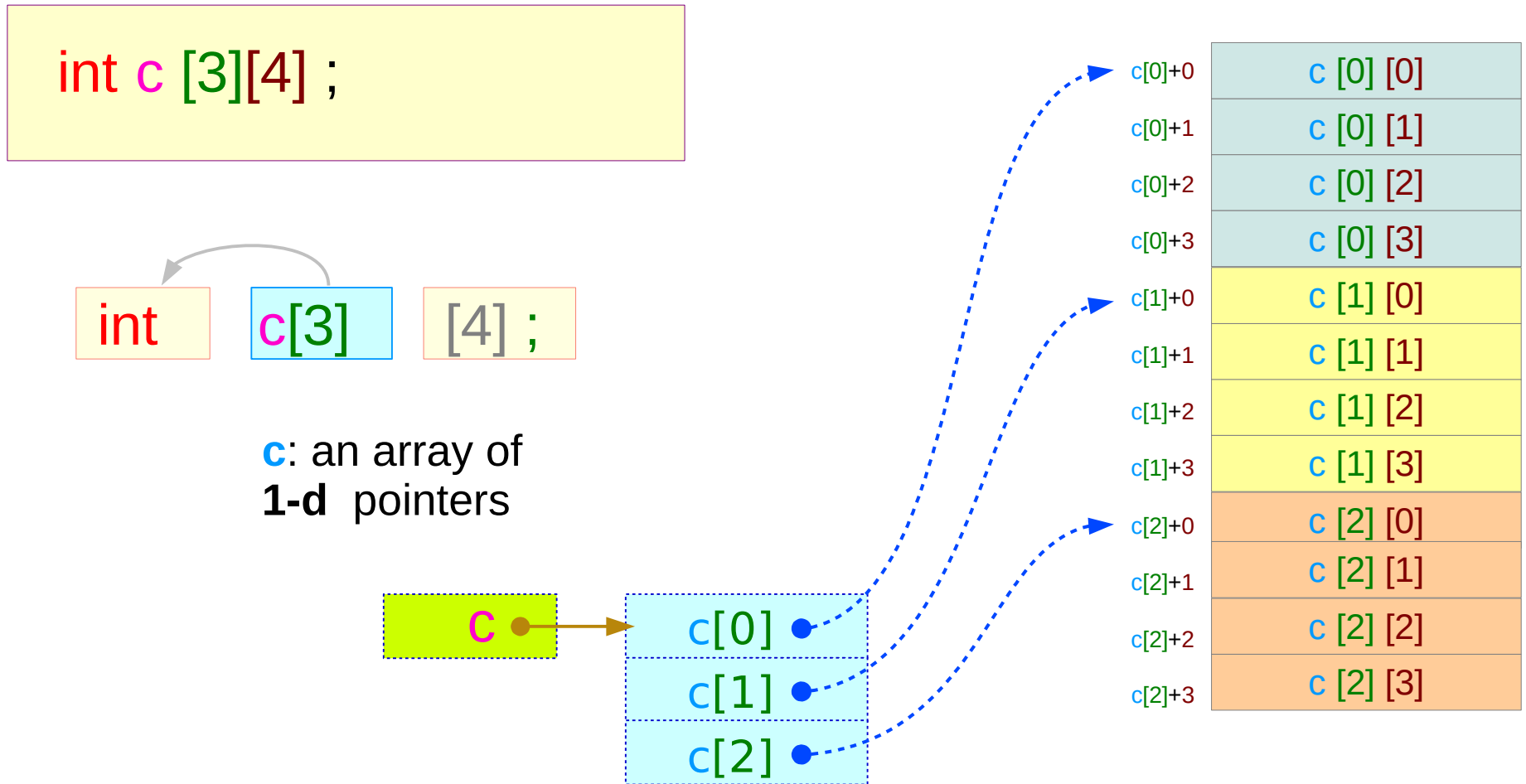
A 1-d array pointer – extending a dimension

```
int (*p) [4] ;
```

1-d array pointer



Nested arrays

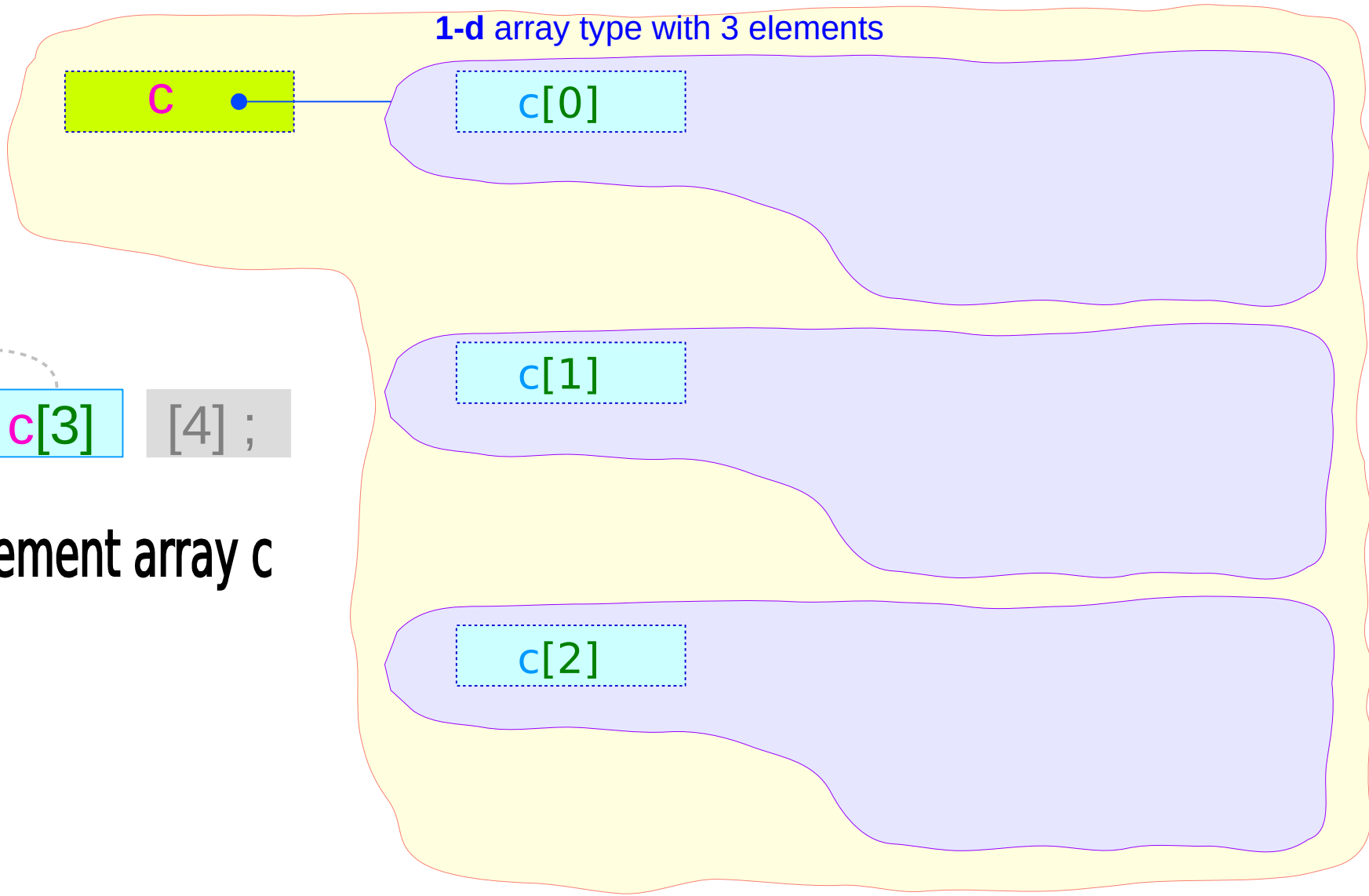


an imaginary array

c, and c[0], c[1], c[2], c[3] take no actual memory locations

c : 4-element array

1-d array type with 3 elements



```
int c[3] [4];
```

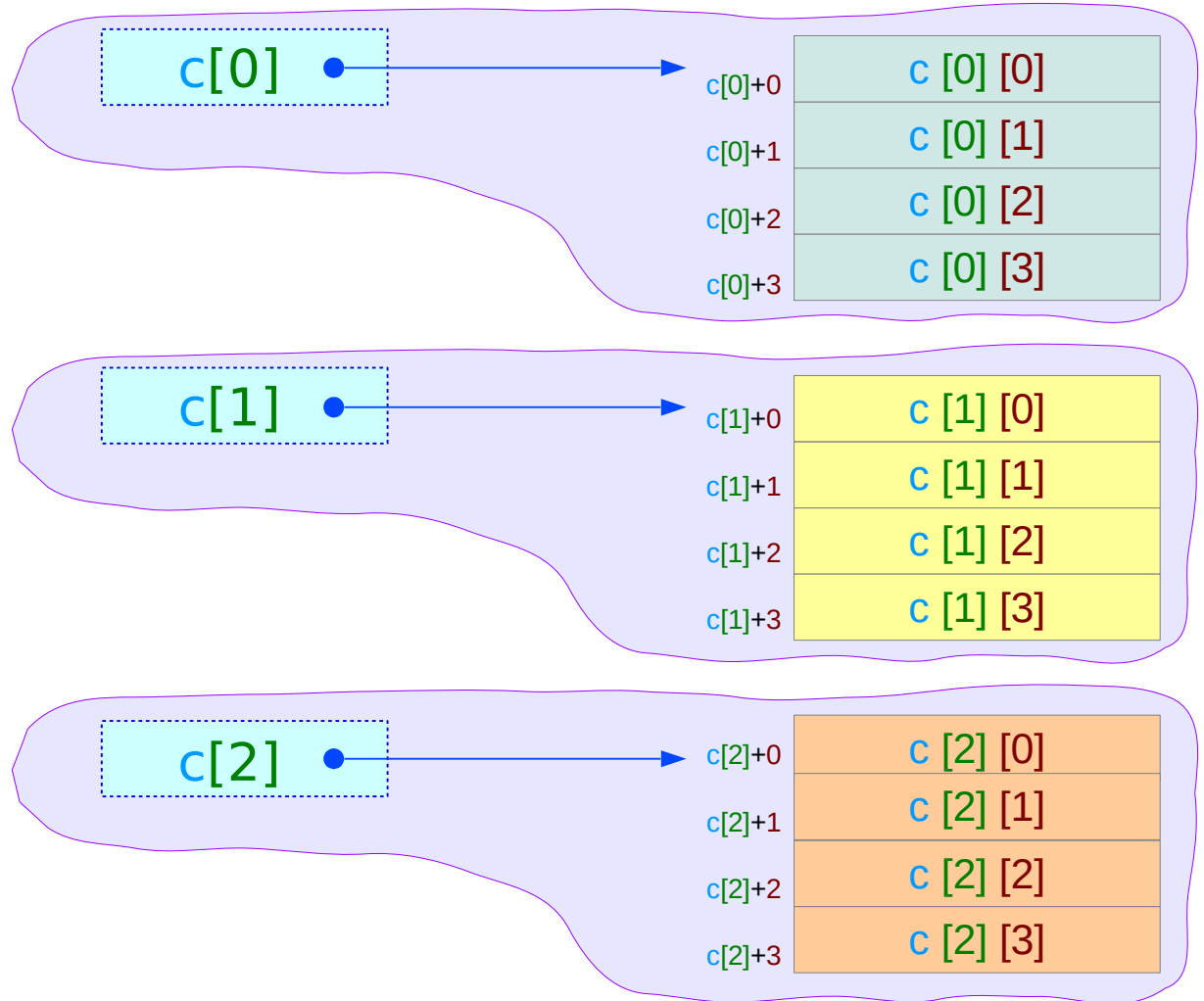
3-element array c

c[i] : 4-element array

1-d array type with 3 elements

```
int c[3][4];
```

4-element array c[i]

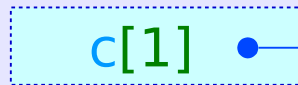


2-d Array : rows of 1-d arrays

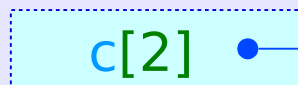
1-d array type with 3 elements



| | |
|--------|-----------|
| c[0]+0 | c [0] [0] |
| c[0]+1 | c [0] [1] |
| c[0]+2 | c [0] [2] |
| c[0]+3 | c [0] [3] |



| | |
|--------|-----------|
| c[1]+0 | c [1] [0] |
| c[1]+1 | c [1] [1] |
| c[1]+2 | c [1] [2] |
| c[1]+3 | c [1] [3] |

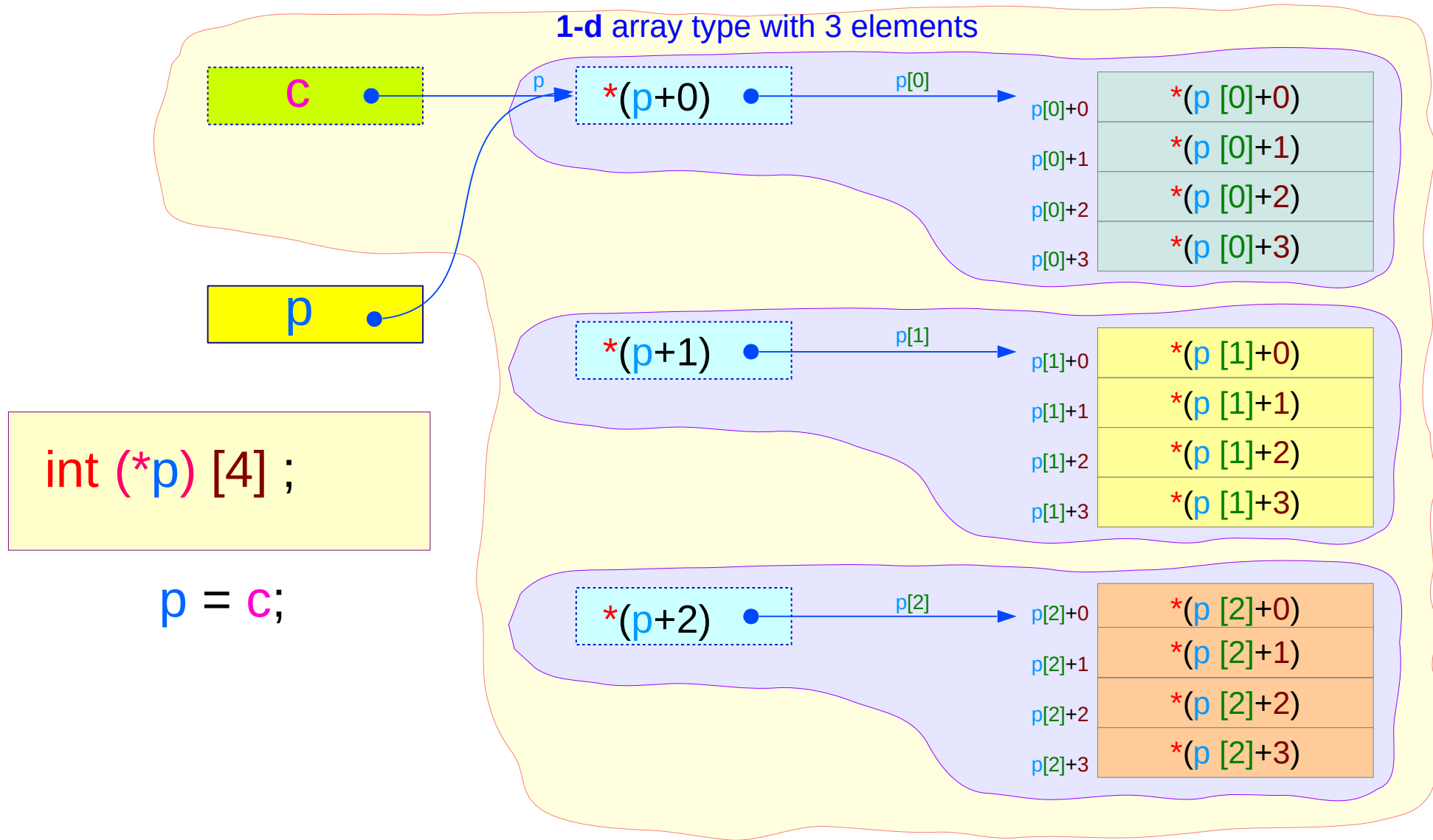


| | |
|--------|-----------|
| c[2]+0 | c [2] [0] |
| c[2]+1 | c [2] [1] |
| c[2]+2 | c [2] [2] |
| c[2]+3 | c [2] [3] |

```
int c[3] [4] ;
```

3-element array c
4-element array c[i]

2-d Array : rows of 1-d arrays



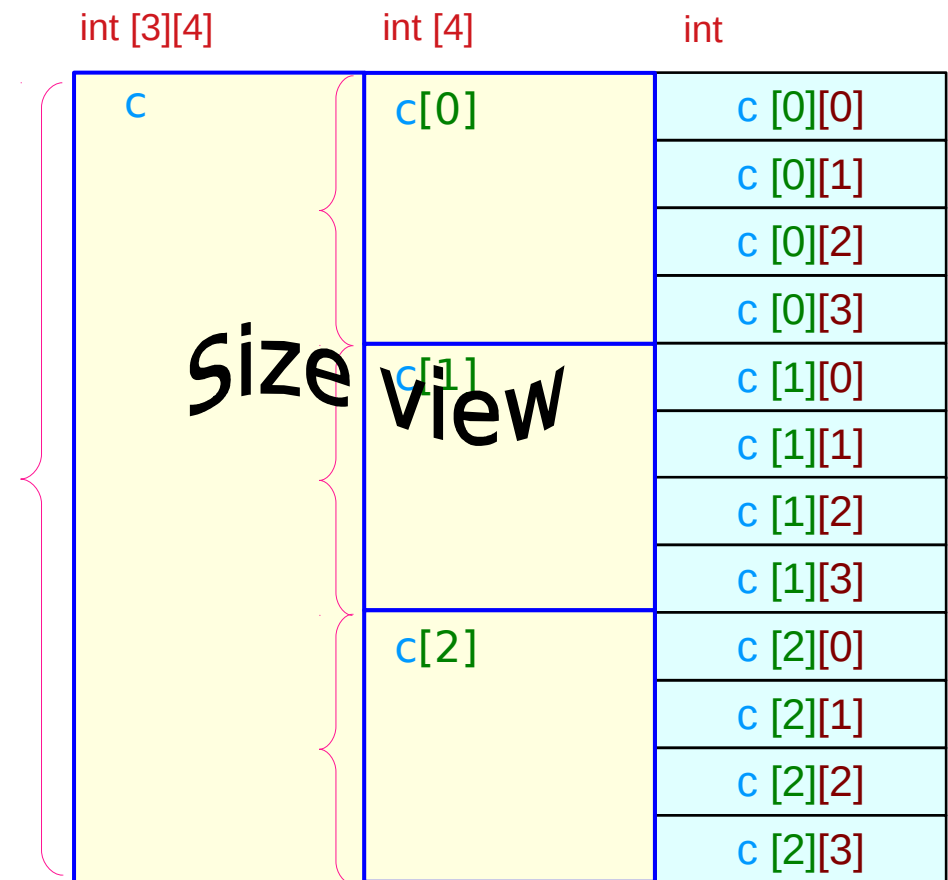
Size view of `c`, `c[i]`

`sizeof(c) = sizeof(c[i]) * 3`

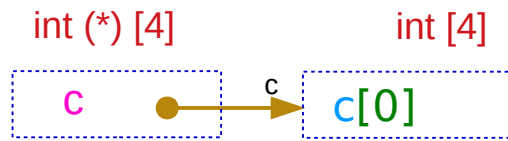
size of 4 elements
`c[0], c[1], c[2]`

`sizeof(c[i]) = sizeof(c[i][j]) * 4`

size of 4 elements
`c[i][0], c[i][1], c[i][2], c[i][3]`



Addresses of $c[i]$, $c[i][0]$

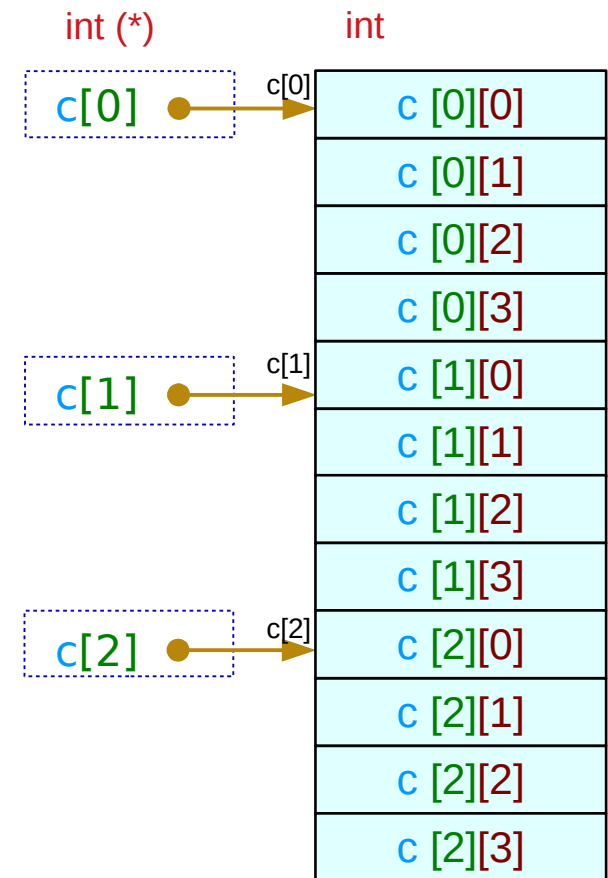


$c = \&c[0]$

$c[0] = \&c[0][0]$
 $c[1] = \&c[1][0]$
 $c[2] = \&c[2][0]$

$c[i] \equiv *(c+i)$
 $\&c[i] \equiv c+i$
 $\&c[0] \equiv c+0$

$c[i][j] \equiv *(c[i]+j)$
 $\&c[i][j] \equiv c[i]+j$
 $\&c[i][0] \equiv c[i]+0$



Address views of `c`, `c[i]`

`c = c[0] = &c[0][0]`
`c[1] = &c[1][0]`
`c[2] = &c[2][0]`

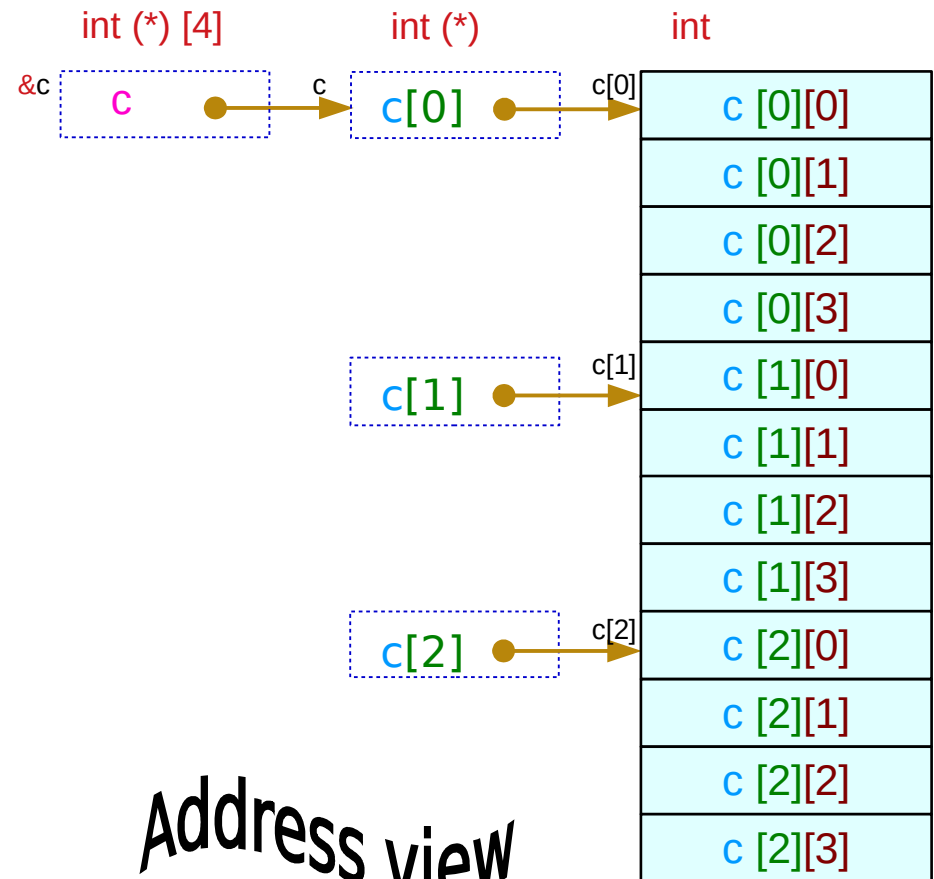


`&c = c`

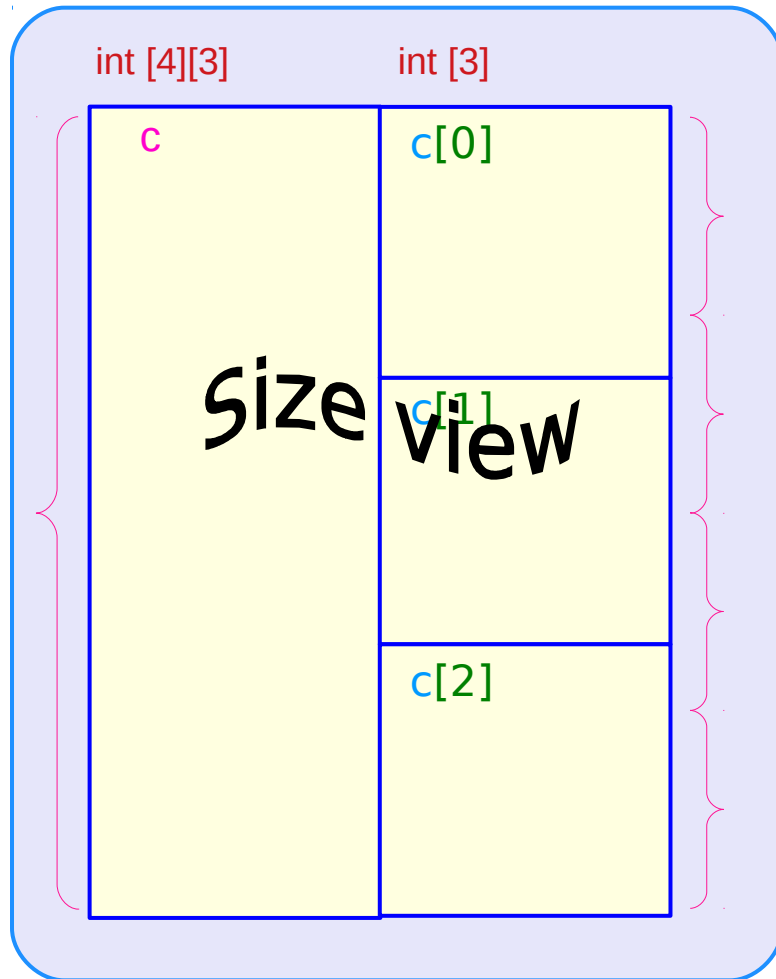
`&c[0] = c[0]`
`&c[1] = c[1]`
`&c[2] = c[2]`

no real pointer can satisfy
these conditions

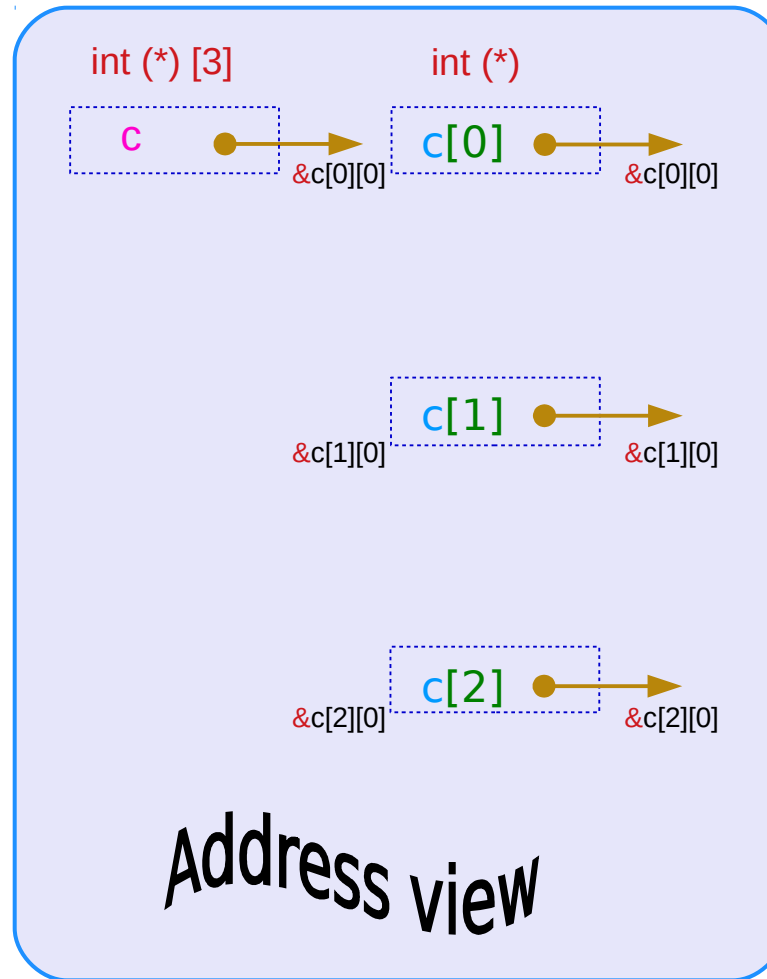
no physical memory location



Size and address views of `c`, `c[i]`



$\text{sizeof}(c) = \text{sizeof}(c[i]) * 3$



$c = c[0] = \&c[0][0]$
 $c[1] = \&c[1][0]$
 $c[2] = \&c[2][0]$

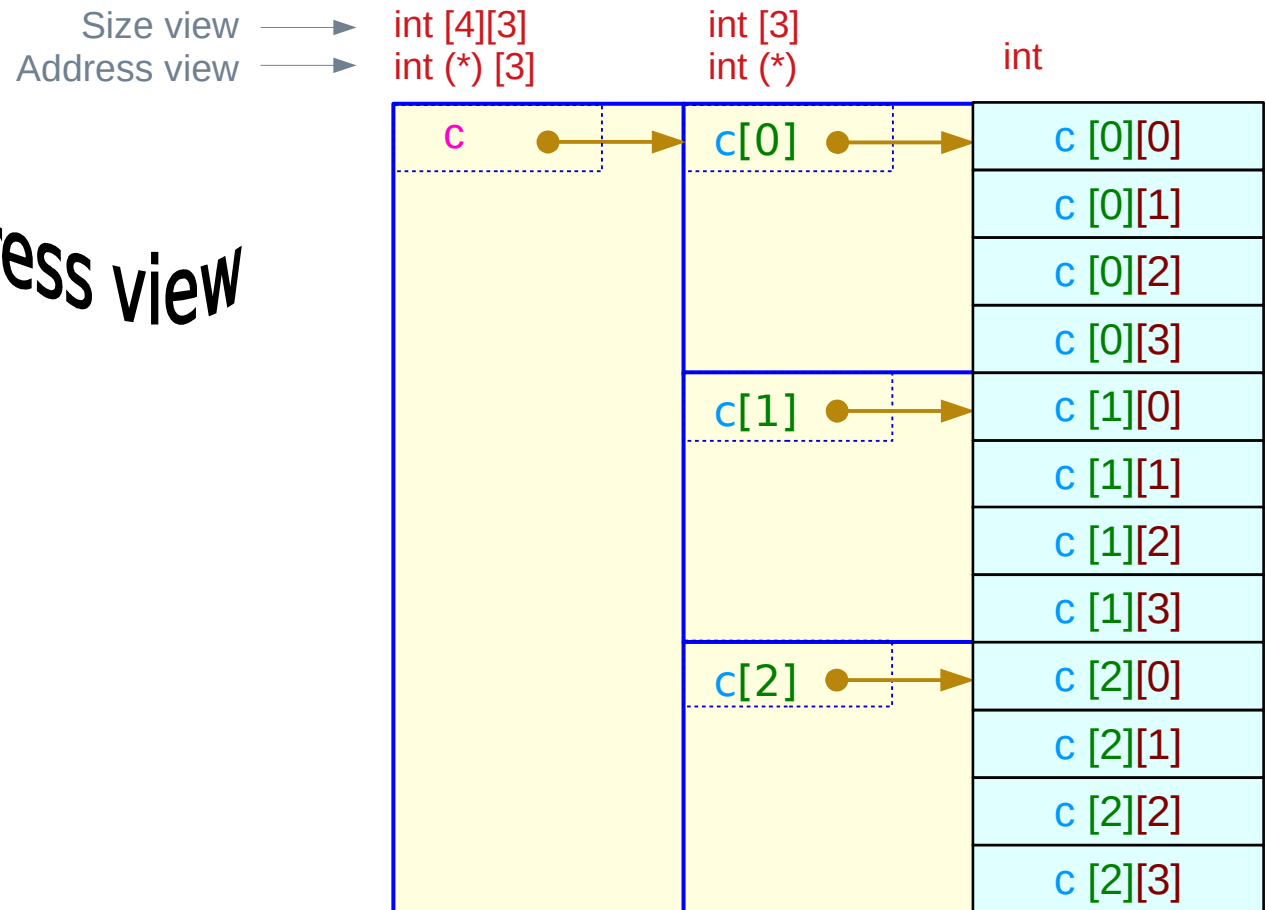
| int |
|-----------------------|
| <code>c [0][0]</code> |
| <code>c [0][1]</code> |
| <code>c [0][2]</code> |
| <code>c [0][3]</code> |
| <code>c [1][0]</code> |
| <code>c [1][1]</code> |
| <code>c [1][2]</code> |
| <code>c [1][3]</code> |
| <code>c [2][0]</code> |
| <code>c [2][1]</code> |
| <code>c [2][2]</code> |
| <code>c [2][3]</code> |

Combining size view and address view

Size view + Address view

`sizeof(c) = sizeof(c[i]) * 3`

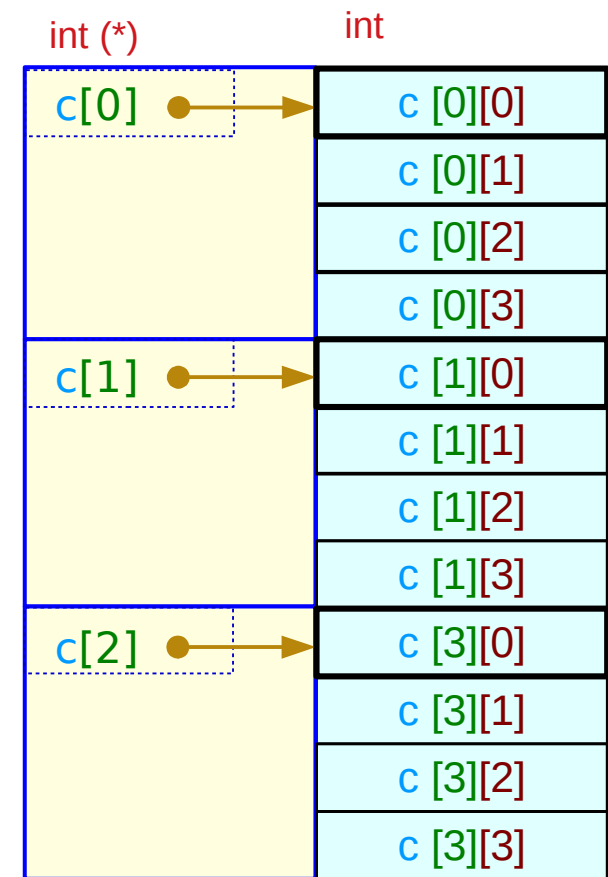
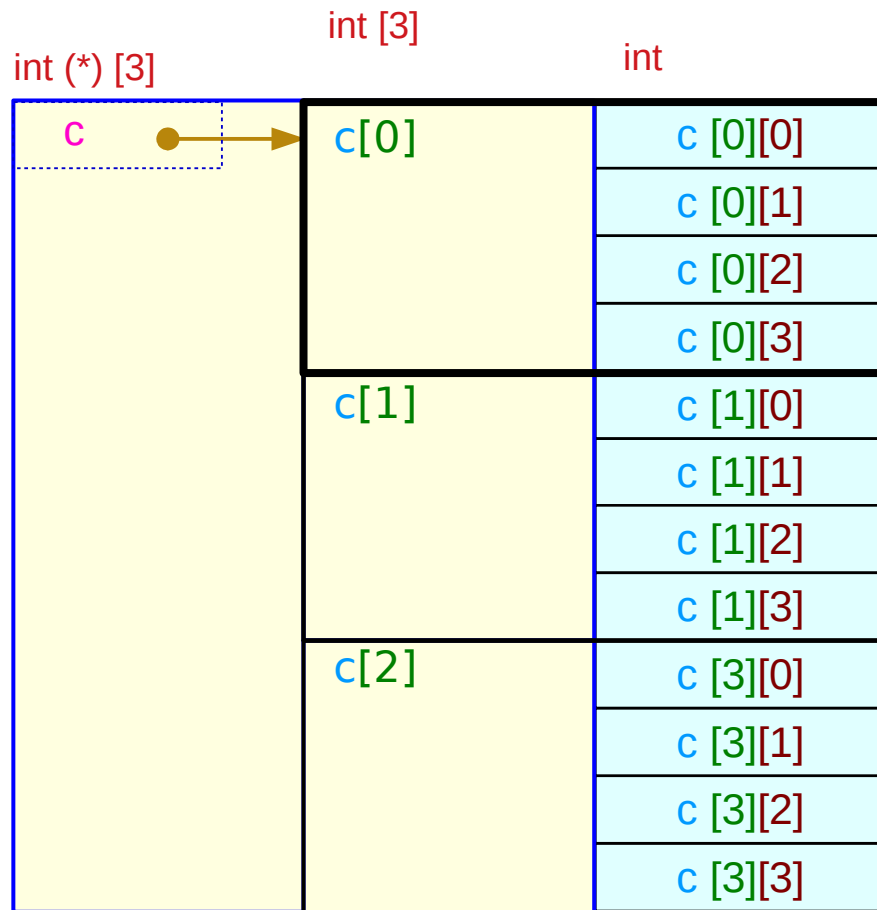
`c = c[0] = &c[0][0]`
`c[1] = &c[1][0]`
`c[2] = &c[2][0]`



an imaginary array

`int c[4][3]` does not allocate `c[0]`, `c[1]`, `c[2]`, `c[3]` in the memory

c points c[0], c[i] points c[i][0]



an imaginary array

int c[4][3] does not allocate c[0], c[1], c[2], c[3] in the memory

Types of array names

int a [4] ;

a is the name of the 1-d array

int [4]

start address = &a[0]

sizeof(a) = 4 * 4

int c [3] [4] ;

c[i] is the name of the 1-d subarray

int [4]

start address = &c[i][0]

sizeof(c[i]) = 4 * 4

int c [3] [4]

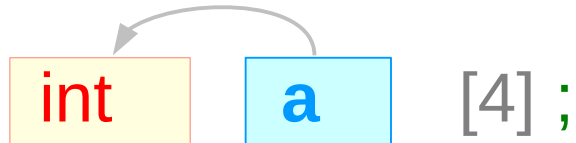
c is the name of the 2-d array

int [3][4]

start address = &c[0][0]

sizeof(c[i]) = 3 * 4 * 4

Values of array names

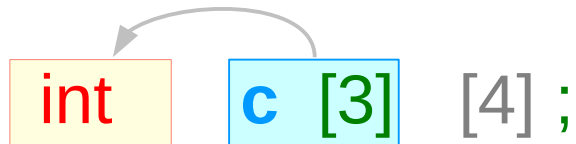


the value of **a** is the starting address of a 4 element array of **int** type

int (*)

a: pointer to the first element

&a[0] = a

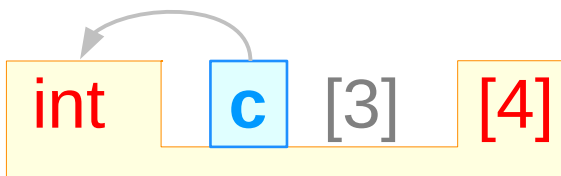


each value of **c[i]** is the starting address of a 4 element array of **int** type

int (*)

c[i]: pointer to the first element

&c[i][0] = c[i]



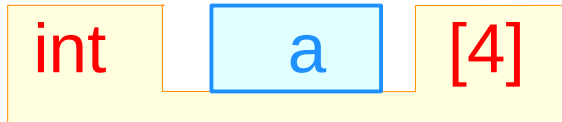
the value of **c** is the starting address of a 3 element array of **int [4]** type

int (*) [4]

c: pointer to the first element

&c[0] = c

Array and pointer types in a 1-d array



a 1-d array

type : **int** [4]

size : 4 * 4



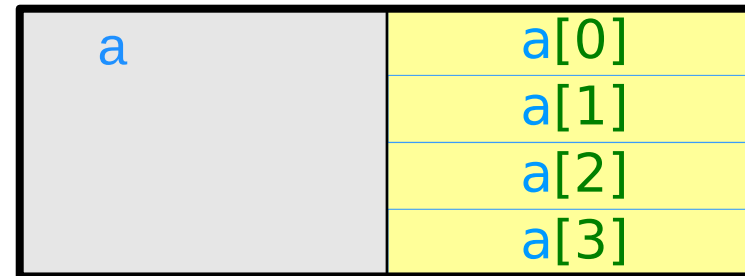
a 0-d array pointer (virtual)

type : **int** (*)

size : 4 * 4

a points to the 1st **int** element
there are 4 **int** elements

int [4]

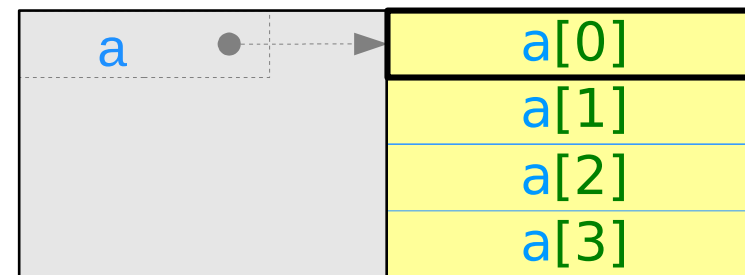


no physical
memory locations

real consecutive
memory locations

int (*)

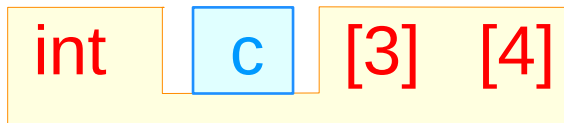
int



no physical
memory locations

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2-d array type



C 2-d array

type : int [3][4]

size : 3 * 4 * 4

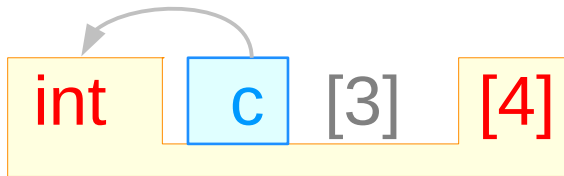
int [3][4]

| | | |
|---|------|---------|
| c | c[0] | c[0][0] |
| | | c[0][1] |
| | | c[0][2] |
| | | c[0][3] |
| | c[1] | c[1][0] |
| | | c[1][1] |
| | | c[1][2] |
| | | c[1][3] |
| | c[2] | c[2][0] |
| | | c[2][1] |
| | | c[2][2] |
| | | c[2][3] |

no physical memory locations

real consecutive
memory locations

1-d array pointer type

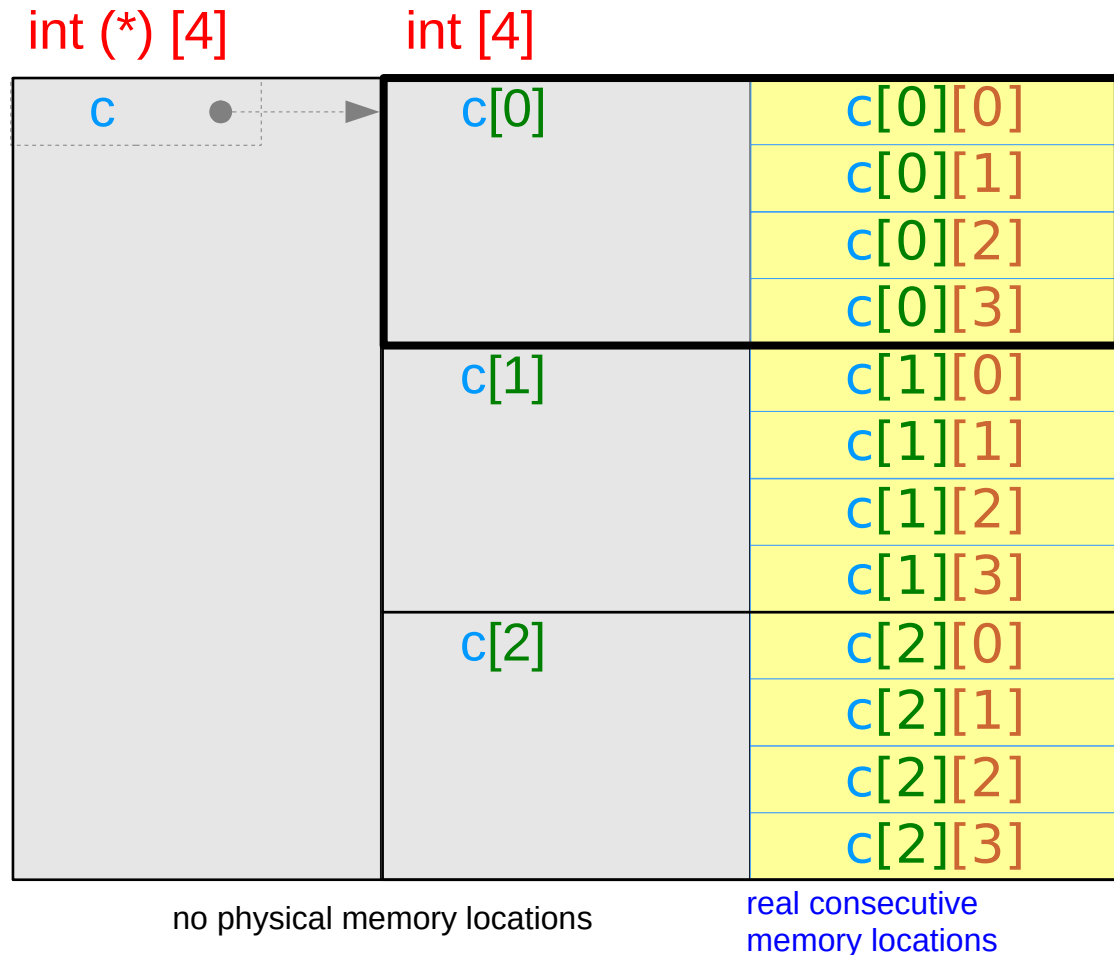


C 1-d array pointer (virtual)

type : `int (*) [4]`

size : `3 * 4 * 4`

`c` points to the 1st `int [4]` element
There are 3 `int [4]` elements



Limitations

No index Range Checking

Array Size must be a constant expression

Variable Array Size

Arrays cannot be Copied or Compared

Aggregate Initialization and Global Arrays

Precedence Rule

Index Type Must be Integral

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