

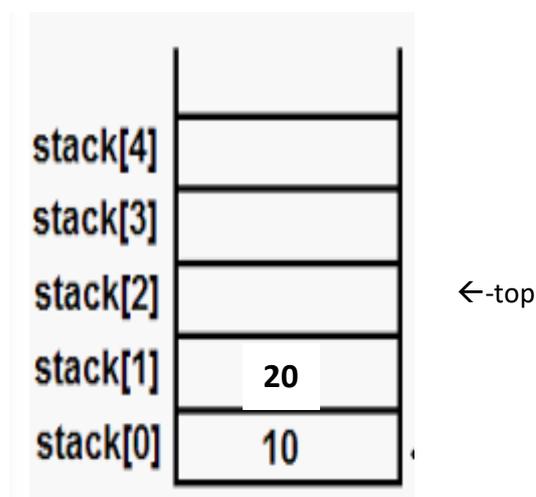
Stack- array

Methods push, pop, peek.

We have created a class of employees or as here we want to store some integers. Where are we going to store them?

We decide we need a stack structure and are going to use an array.

What is the weakness of this idea? How can we overcome it?



We will make the top pointer variable be the first available place to push onto the stack.

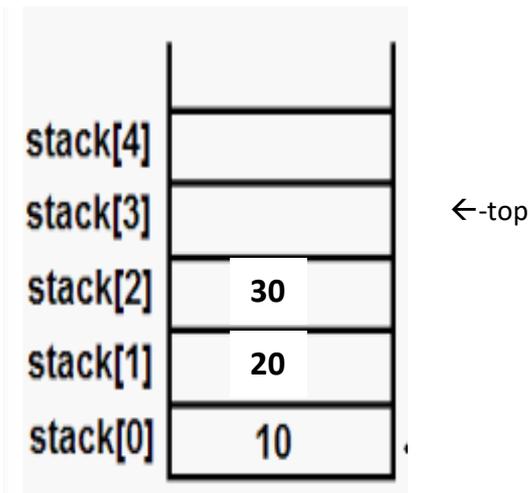
**PUSH**

Need to check if the stack is full.

To do that check if `top = stack (array) length`

If it is, we are going to give a message that stack is full or create a new larger array and copy the old one over.

otherwise `stack[top++] = 30` // as the ++follows top 30 goes where top originally pointed to and THEN top is incremented to point to stack[3 which is now the next available space]



## POP

Need to check if the stack is empty as can't pop nothing

If this is we return 30. We reduce top by 1 top-1 (--top) i.e. 20

then make top null. We would get back to the original diagram

## PEEK

Peek I

returns the top of the stack but does not remove it

We ensure the stack is not empty and return employee at stack[top-1] . We don't decrement top

## Java Code

```
public class ArrayStack {
    // create an array to store the employee objects
    private Employee[] stack;
    //We can only manipulate the top of the stack
    private int top; // top points to next available
    position

    public ArrayStack(int capacity) {
        stack = new Employee[capacity]; //when we
        instantiate a new stack we give the size
    }
}
```

```

    public void push(Employee employee) {
        //WE need to find out if the stack is full as we will
        get error if we try to push
        if (top == stack.length) {
            // need to resize the backing array. We double
            it here
            Employee[] newArray = new Employee[2 *
            stack.length];
            System.arraycopy(stack, 0, newArray, 0,
            stack.length); // copy to new array
            stack = newArray;
        }

        stack[top++] = employee; //this is how we push
    }
    //takes top item off the stack
    public Employee pop() {
        //check if it is empty first
        if (isEmpty()) {
            throw new EmptyStackException();
        }

        Employee employee = stack[--top]; //we want to
        pop the item under top (1 less than the top)
        stack[top] = null; //
        return employee;
    }

    public Employee peek() {
        if (isEmpty()) {
            throw new EmptyStackException();
        }

        return stack[top - 1]; //not --top as we are
        looking not popping
    }

    public int size() {
        return top; //the top is the size
    }
}

```

```
public boolean isEmpty() {  
    return top == 0;  
}  
  
public void printStack() {  
    for (int i = top - 1; i >= 0; i--) {  
        System.out.println(stack[i]);  
    }  
}  
}
```