



COMP242 Data Structure



Lectures Note: Stacks and Queues

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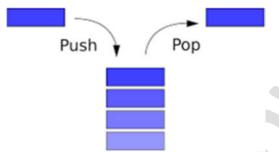
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Stack is an abstract data type that serves as a collection of elements, with two principal operations:

- push adds an element to the collection;
- pop removes the last element that was added.



Last In, First Out → LIFO

ABSTRACT DATA TYPE: STACK

DATA

· A collection of objects in reverse chronological order and having the same data type

PERATIONS		
PSEUDOCODE	UML	DESCRIPTION
push(newEntry)	+push(newEntry: T): void	Task: Adds a new entry to the top of the stack. Input: newEntry is the new entry. Output: None.
oop()	+pop(): T	Task: Removes and returns the stack's top entry. Input: None. Output: Returns the stack's top entry. Throws an exception if the stack is empty before the operation.
peek()	+peek(): T	Task: Retrieves the stack's top entry without changing the stack in any way. Input: None. Output: Returns the stack's top entry. Throws an exception if the stack is empty.
isEmpty()	+isEmpty(): boolean	Task: Detects whether the stack is empty. Input: None. Output: Returns true if the stack is empty.
clear()	+clear(): void	Task: Removes all entries from the stack. Input: None. Output: None.

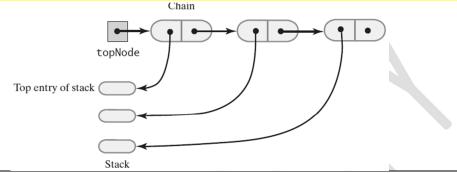
Single Linked List Implementation:

Each of the following operation involves top of stack

- push
- pop
- peek

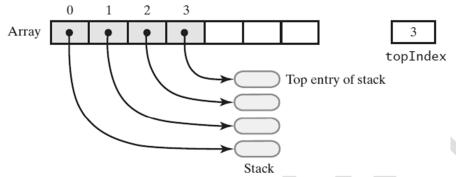
Head or Tail for topNode??

Head of linked list easiest, fastest to access → Let this be the top of the stack



```
public class LinkedStack<T extends Comparable<T>> {
  private Node<T> topNode;
  public void push(T data) {
    Node<T> newNode = new Node<T>(data);
    newNode.setNext(topNode);
    topNode = newNode;
  public Node<T> pop() {
    Node<T> toDel = topNode;
    if(topNode != null)
      topNode = topNode.getNext();
    return toDel;
  public Node<T> peek() { return topNode; }
  public int length() {
    int length = 0;
    Node<T> curr = topNode;
    while (curr != null) {
      length++;
      curr = curr.getNext();
    return length;
  public boolean isEmpty() { return (topNode == null); }
  public void clear() { topNode = null; }
```

- **Array-Based Implementation:**
 - End of the array easiest to accessLet this be top of stack
 - Let first entry be bottom of stack



```
public class ArrayStack <T> {
  private Object[] s;
  private int n=-1;
  public ArrayStack(int capacity){
    s = new Object[capacity];
  }
  public boolean isEmpty(){ return n ==-1;}
  public int getN(){ return n;}
  public void push(T data){
    s[++n] = data;
  public Object pop(){
    if(!isEmpty())
       return s[n--];
    return null;
  }
  public String toString() {
    String res = "Top-->";
    for(int i=n; i>=0;i--)
      res+="["+s[i]+"]-->";
    return res+"Null";
  }
```

Iteration (Optional)

Design challenge: Support iteration over stack items by client, without revealing the internal representation of the stack.

• Java solution. Make stack implement the java.lang.Iterable interface.

```
Q. What is an Iterable?

A. Has a method that returns an Iterator.

Q. What is an Iterator?

A. Has methods hasNext() and next().

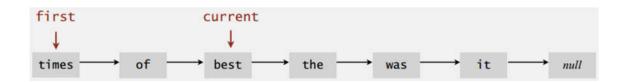
Q. Why make data structures Iterable?

A. Java supports elegant client code.

Iterator interface Iterator<Item> {
    boolean hasNext();
    Item next();
    void remove(); — optional; use
    void remove(); — at your own risk
}
```

```
import java.util.Iterator;
public class LinkedStack<T extends Comparable<T>> implements Iterable<T>{
    :
        public Iterator<T> iterator(){
            return new ListIterator();
        }

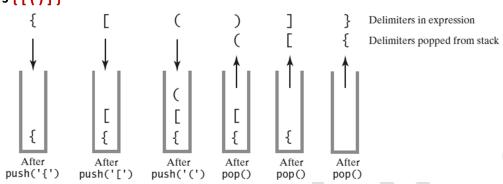
    private class ListIterator implements Iterator<T>{
        private Node<T> curr = topNode;
        public boolean hasNext(){return curr!=null;}
        public void remove(){}
        public T next(){
            T t = curr.data;
            curr = curr.next;
            return t;
        }
    }
}
```



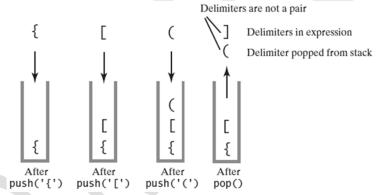
Balanced Delimiters

Problem: Find out if delimiters (" $[\{(]\})$ ") are paired correctly \rightarrow Compilers

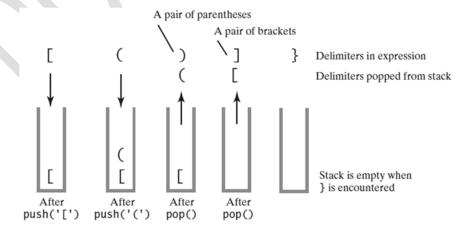
Example 1: The contents of a stack during the scan of an expression that contains the **balanced delimiters { [()] }**



<u>Example 2:</u> The contents of a stack during the scan of an expression that contains the **unbalanced** delimiters { [(]) }

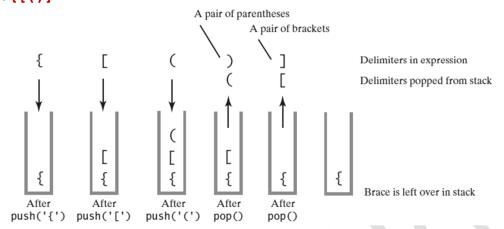


Example 3: The contents of a stack during the scan of an expression that contains the **unbalanced delimiters [()] }**





Example 4: The contents of a stack during the scan of an expression that contains the **unbalanced delimiters { [()]**



Algorithm to process balanced expression:

```
Algorithm checkBalance(expression)
// Returns true if the parentheses, brackets,
// and braces in an expression are paired correctly.
isBalanced = true
while ((isBalanced == true) and not at end of expression) {
   nextCharacter = next character in expression
   switch (nextCharacter) {
      case '(': case '[': case '{':
         Push nextCharacter onto stack
         break
      case ')': case ']': case '}':
         if (stack is empty)
            isBalanced = false
         else {
              openDelimiter = top entry of stack
              Pop stack
              isBalanced = true or false according to whether openDelimiter
                        and nextCharacter are a pair of delimiters
          break
if (stack is not empty) isBalanced = false
return isBalanced
```

H.W. implement check balance algorithm using linked list/array stacks

Processing Algebraic Expressions

- **Infix**: each binary operator appears between its operands a + b
- **Prefix**: each binary operator appears before its operands + a b
- **Postfix**: each binary operator appears after its operands ab +

Evaluate infix expressions:



Two-stack algorithm. [E. W. Dijkstra]

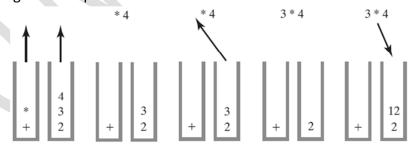
- · Value: push onto the value stack.
- · Operator: push onto the operator stack.
- · Left parenthesis: ignore.
- · Right parenthesis: pop operator and two values; push the result of applying that operator to those values onto the operand stack.

Example: evaluate a + b * c when a is 2, b is 3, and c is 4:

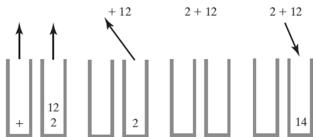
Step 1: Fill the two stacks until reaching the end of the expression:



Step 2: performing the multiplication:



Step 3: performing the addition:



Algorithm to evaluate infix expression:

```
Algorithm evaluateInfix(infix)
 operatorStack = a new empty stack
 valueStack = a new empty stack
 while (infix has characters left to process) {
    nextCharacter = next nonblank character of infix
    switch (nextCharacter) {
       case variable:
          valueStack.push(value of the variable nextCharacter)
       case 'A' :
          operatorStack.push(nextCharacter)
          break
       case '+' : case '-' : case '*' : case '/' :
          while (!operatorStack.isEmpty() and
                precedence of nextCharacter <= precedence of operatorStack.peek()) {</pre>
             // Execute operator at top of operatorStack
             topOperator = operatorStack.pop()
             operandTwo = valueStack.pop()
             operandOne = valueStack.pop()
             result = the result of the operation in topOperator and its operands
                       operandOne and operandTwo
             valueStack.push(result)
          operatorStack.push(nextCharacter)
          break
       case '(':
          operatorStack.push(nextCharacter)
       case ')': // Stack is not empty if infix expression is valid
          topOperator = operatorStack.pop()
          while (topOperator != '(') {
             operandTwo = valueStack.pop()
             operandOne = valueStack.pop()
             result = the result of the operation in topOperator and its operands
                       operandOne and operandTwo
             valueStack.push(result)
             topOperator = operatorStack.pop()
          break
       default: break // Ignore unexpected characters
while (!operatorStack.isEmpty()) {
  topOperator = operatorStack.pop()
  operandTwo = valueStack.pop()
  operandOne = valueStack.pop()
  result = the result of the operation in topOperator and its operands
            operandOne and operandTwo
  valueStack.push(result)
return valueStack.peek()
```

Infix to Postfix Conversion

Append each operand to the end of the output expression.
Push ^ onto the stack.
Pop operators from the stack, appending them to the output expression, until the stack is empty or its top entry has a lower precedence than the new operator. Then push the new operator onto the stack.
Push (onto the stack.
Pop operators from the stack and append them to the output expression until an open parenthesis is popped. Discard both parentheses.

Example 1: Converting the **infix** expression **a + b * c** to **postfix** form

Next Character in Infix Expression	Postfix Form	Operator Stack (bottom to top)
а	а	
+	a	+
b	a b	+
*	a b	+ *
С	a b c	+*
	a b c a b c * a b c * +	+
	a b c * +	

Example 2: Successive Operators with Same Precedence: a - b + c

Next Character in Infix Expression	Postfix Form	Operator Stack (bottom to top)
a	а	
_	a	, -
b	a b	_
+	ab -	
	ab-	+
С	ab-c	+
	ab-c+	

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Example 3: Successive Operators with Same Precedence: a ^ b ^ c

Next Character in Infix Expression	Postfix Form	Operator Stack (bottom to top)
a	а	
^	a	٨
b	a b	^
^	a b	^^
c	abc	^^
	abc^ abc^^	^
	a b c ^ ^	

Example 4: The steps in converting the infix expression a / b * (c + (d - e)) to postfix form

Next Character from Infix Expression	Postfix Form	Operator Stack (bottom to top)
а	а	
/	a	/
b	a b	/
*	ab/	
	ab/	*
(ab/	*(
c	ab/c	*(
+	ab/c	* (+
(ab/c	* (+ (
d	ab/cd	* (+ (
_	ab/cd	* (+ (-
e	ab/cde	* (+ (-
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)	ab/cde-+	*(
	ab/cde-+	*
	ab/cde-+*	



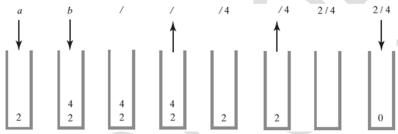
Infix-to-postfix Algorithm:

```
Algorithm convertToPostfix(infix)
operatorStack = a new empty stack
postfix = a new empty string
while (infix has characters left to parse) {
   nextCharacter = next nonblank character of infix
   switch (nextCharacter) {
       case variable:
          Append nextCharacter to postfix
          break
       case 'A' :
          operatorStack.push(nextCharacter)
       case '+' : case '-' : case '*' : case '/' :
          while (!operatorStack.isEmpty() and
                 precedence of nextCharacter <= precedence of operatorStack.peek()){</pre>
              Append operatorStack.peek() to postfix
              operatorStack.pop()
          operatorStack.push(nextCharacter)
          break
       case '( ':
          operatorStack.push(nextCharacter)
          break
       case ')' : // Stack is not empty if infix expression is valid
          topOperator = operatorStack.pop()
          while (topOperator != '(') {
               Append topOperator to postfix
               topOperator = operatorStack.pop()
          break
       default: break // Ignore unexpected characters
}
while (!operatorStack.isEmpty()) {
    topOperator = operatorStack.pop()
   Append topOperator to postfix
return postfix
```

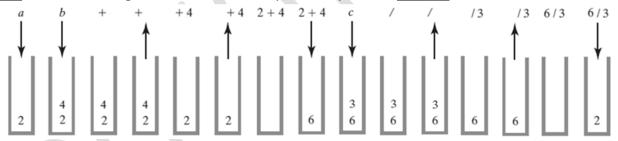
Evaluating Postfix Expressions

- When an **operand** is seen, it is **pushed** onto a stack.
- When an **operator** is seen, the appropriate numbers of **operands** are **popped** from the stack, the operator is **evaluated**, and the result is **pushed** back onto the stack.
 - Note that the 1st item popped becomes the (right hand side) rhs parameter to the binary operator and that the 2nd item popped is the (left hand side) lhs parameter; thus parameters are popped in reverse order.
 - For addition and multiplication, the order does not matter, but for subtraction and division, it does.
- When the complete postfix expression is evaluated, the result should be a single item on the stack that represents the answer.

Example 1: The stack during the evaluation of the postfix expression \underline{ab} when a is 2 and b is 4



Example 2: The stack during the evaluation of the postfix expression $\underline{a} \, \underline{b} + \underline{c} \, \underline{f}$ when \underline{a} is \underline{a} , \underline{b} is \underline{a} , and \underline{c} is \underline{a}



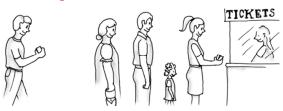
Self exercises:

Algorithm for evaluating postfix expressions.

```
Algorithm evaluatePostfix(postfix)
// Evaluates a postfix expression.
valueStack = a new empty stack
while (postfix has characters left to parse)
    nextCharacter = next nonblank character of postfix
    switch (nextCharacter)
      case variable:
         valueStack.push(value of the variable nextCharacter)
      case '+' : case '-' : case '*' : case '/' : case '^'
          operandTwo = valueStack.pop()
          operandOne = valueStack.pop()
          result = the result of the operation in nextCharacter and its operands
                    operandOne and operandTwo
          valueStack.push(result)
          break
      default: break // Ignore unexpected characters
}
```

Queues

A queue is another name for a waiting line:



- Used within operating systems and to simulate real-world events.
 - Come into play whenever processes or events must wait
- Entries organized first-in, first-out.

Terminology

- Item added first, or earliest, is at the front of the queue
- · Item added most recently is at the back of the queue
- Additions to a software queue must occur at its back.
- Client can look at or remove only the entry at the front of the queue



The ADT Queue

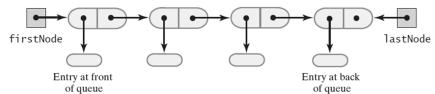
DATA

A collection of objects in chronological order and having the same data type

Operations		
PSEUDOCODE	UML	DESCRIPTION
enqueue(newEntry)	+enqueue(newEntry: integer): void	Task: Adds a new entry to the back of the queue.
dequeue()	+dequeue(): T	Task: Removes and returns the entry at the front of the queue.
getFront()	+getFront(): T	Task: Retrieves the queue's front entry without changing the queue in any way.
isEmpty()	+isEmpty(): boolean	Task: Detects whether the queue is empty.
clear()	+clear(): void	Task: Removes all entries from the queue.

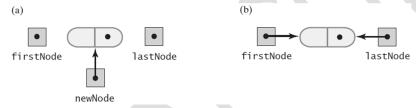


Data Structure: Stacks and Queues Linked-list Representation of a Queue

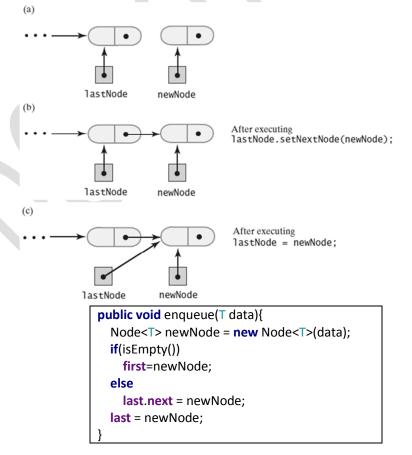


```
public class linkedQueue <T extends Comparable<T>> {
  private Node<T> first;
  private Node<T> last;
  public boolean isEmpty(){ return (first==null) && (last==null); }
  public void clear(){
    first = null;
    last = null;
 }
```

- The definition of **enqueue** Performance is **O(1)**:
 - Adding a new node to an empty chain



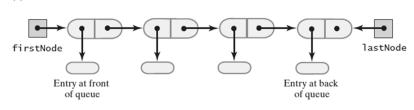
Adding a new node to the end of a nonempty chain that has a tail reference

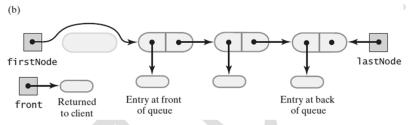


• Retrieving the front entry:

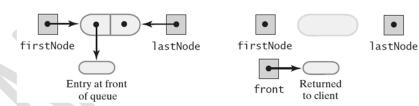
```
public T getFront(){
  if(!isEmpty())
    return first.data;
  return null;
}
```

- Removing the front entry (dequeue):
 - A queue of more than one entry:





A queue of one entry:



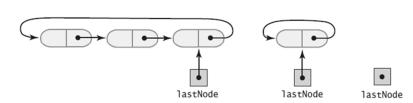
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```
public T dequeue(){
  T front = getFront();
  if(!isEmpty())
     first = first.next;
  if(first==null)
     last = null;
  return front;
}
```

Circular Linked Implementations of a Queue

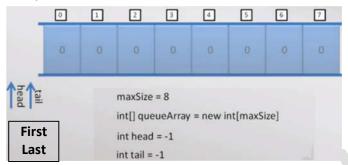
A circular linked chain with an external reference to its last node that

a) has more than one node; b) has one node; c) is empty

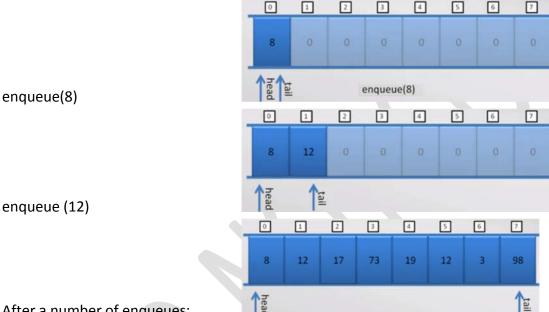


(c)

Array implementation of a Queue



- enqueue(): add new item at after last (tail).
- dequeue(): remove item from first (head).



After a number of enqueues:

dequeue(): returns the item pointed by head and advances head pointer

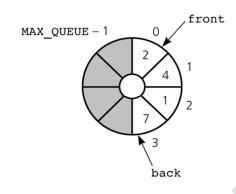


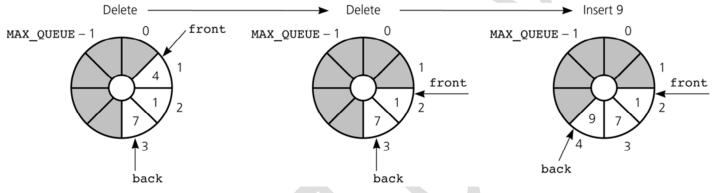
dequeue()

enqueue (27) ?? How to advance tail?? We have space at the beginning?? Shift??

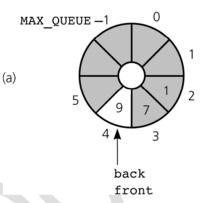


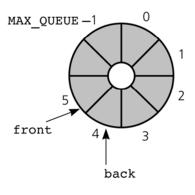
Circular Queue



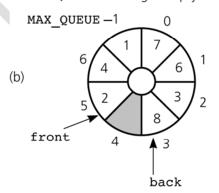


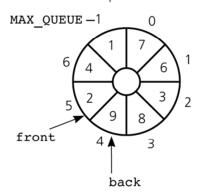
Queue with single item — Delete item—queue becomes empty





Queue with single empty slot — Insert 9—queue becomes full







- To detect circular queue-full and queue-empty conditions
 - Keep a count of the queue items
- To initialize the circular queue, set:
 - front to -1
 - back to -1
 - count to 0
- · Inserting into a circular queue:

```
If(count < MAX_QUEUE) // free
    back = (++back) % MAX_QUEUE;
    items[back] = newItem;
    ++count;
If(count == 1) // first item
    front = back;</pre>
```

Deleting from a circular queue:

```
If(count > 0) // not empty
    front = (++front) % MAX_QUEUE;
--count;
If(count == 0) // empty
    front = back = -1
```

HW: Queue implementations using linked List and Arrays.

DE Queue (Double Ended Queue)

Allows add/remove elements from both head/tail.

