

4.3 Stacks, Queues, and Linked Lists



Data Types and Data Structures

Data types: Set of values and operations on those values.

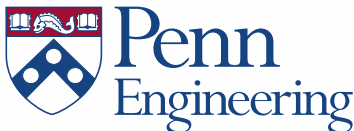
- Some are built into the Java language: `int`, `double[]`, `String`, ...
- Most are not: `Complex`, `Picture`, `Stack`, `Queue`, `ST`, `Graph`, ...

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Data structures:

- Represent data or relationships among data.
- Some are built into Java language: arrays.
- Most are not: linked list, circular list, tree, sparse array, graph, ...

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Collections

Fundamental data types:

- Set of operations (**add**, **remove**, **test if empty**) on generic data.
- Intent is clear when we insert.
- Which item do we remove?

Stack: [LIFO = last in first out]

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- Remove the item most recently added.
- Ex: Pez, cafeteria trays, Web surfing.

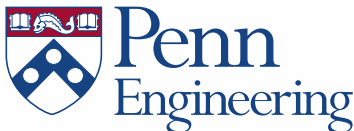
Queue: [FIFO = first in, first out]

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- Remove the item least recently added.
- Ex: Line for help in TA office hours.

Symbol table:

- Remove the item with a given key.
- Ex: Phone book.

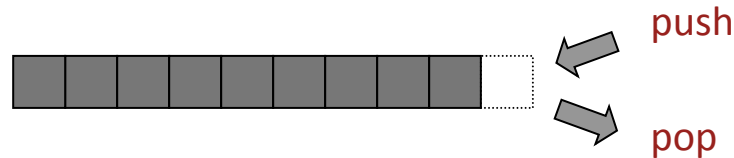


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Stack API

```
public class *StackOfStrings
```

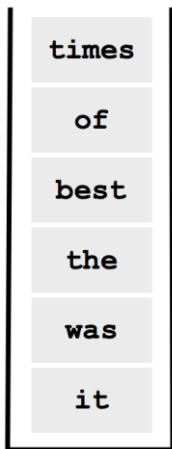
```
    *StackOfStrings()    create an empty stack  
    boolean isEmpty()    is the stack empty?  
    void push(String item) push a string onto the stack  
    String pop()          pop the stack
```



Stack Client Example 1: Reverse

```
public class Reverse {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        StackOfStrings stack = new StackOfStrings();  
        while (!StdIn.isEmpty()) {  
            String s = StdIn.readString();  
            stack.push(s);  
        }  
        while (!stack.isEmpty()) {  
            String s = stack.pop();  
            StdOut.println(s);  
        }  
    }  
}
```

```
% more tiny.txt  
it was the best of times  
  
% java Reverse < tiny.txt  
times of best the was it
```

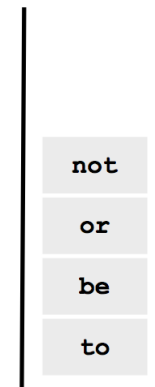
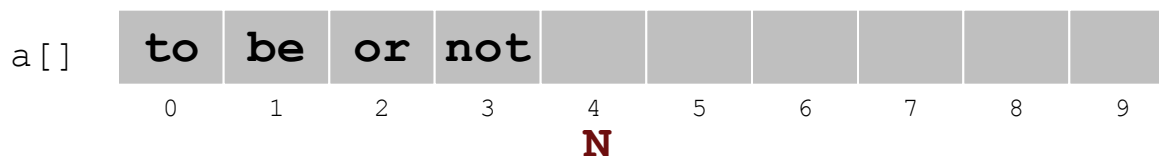


← stack contents when standard input is empty

Stack: Array Implementation

Array implementation of a stack. how big to make array? [stay tuned]

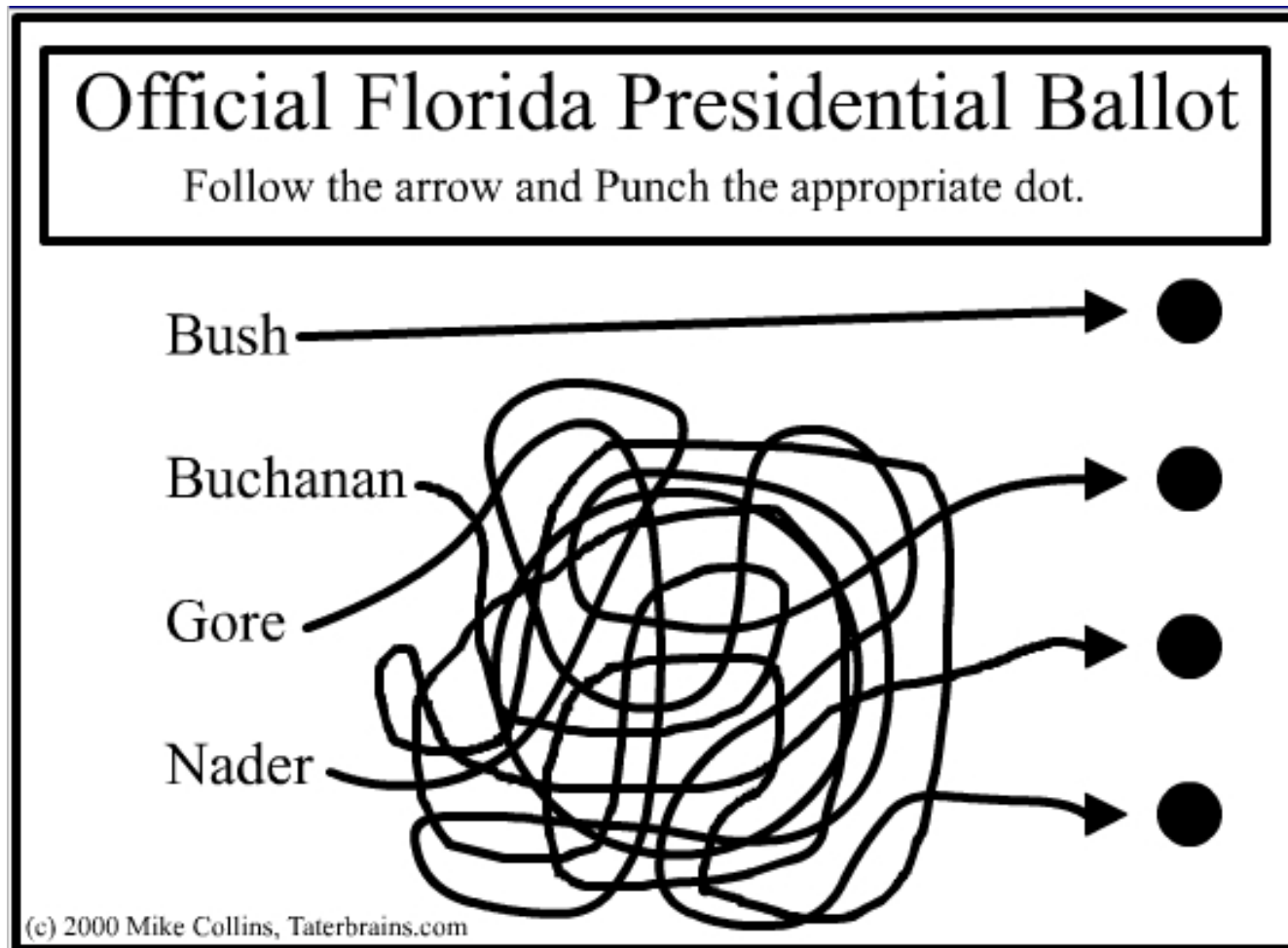
- Use array `a[]` to store N items on stack.
- `push()` add new item at `a[N]`. stack and array contents after 4th push operation
- `pop()` remove item from `a[N-1]`.



```
public class ArrayStackOfStrings {  
    private String[] a;  
    private int N = 0;  
  
    public ArrayStackOfStrings(int max) { a = new String[max]; }  
    public boolean isEmpty() { return (N == 0); }  
    public void push(String item) { a[N] = item; N++; }  
    public String pop() { N--; return a[N]; }  
}
```

temporary solution: make client provide capacity

Linked Lists



Sequential vs. Linked Allocation

Sequential allocation: Put items one after another.

- TOY: consecutive memory cells.
- Java: array of objects.

Linked allocation: Include in each object a **link** to the next one.

- TOY: link is memory address of next item.
- Java: link is reference to next item.

Key distinctions:

- Array: random access, fixed size.
- Linked list: sequential access, variable size.

get i^{th} item
get next item

| addr | value |
|------|---------|
| B0 | "Alice" |
| B1 | "Bob" |
| B2 | "Carol" |
| B3 | - |
| B4 | - |
| B5 | - |
| B6 | - |
| B7 | - |
| B8 | - |
| B9 | - |
| BA | - |
| BB | - |

array
(B0)

| addr | value |
|------|---------|
| C0 | "Carol" |
| C1 | null |
| C2 | - |
| C3 | - |
| C4 | "Alice" |
| C5 | CA |
| C6 | - |
| C7 | - |
| C8 | - |
| C9 | - |
| CA | "Bob" |
| CB | C0 |

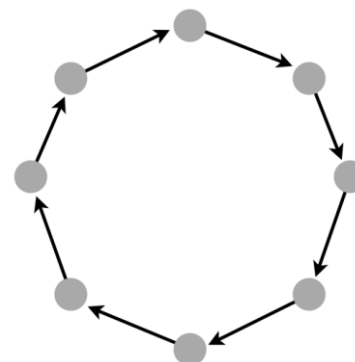
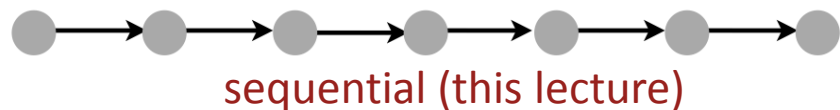
linked list
(C4)



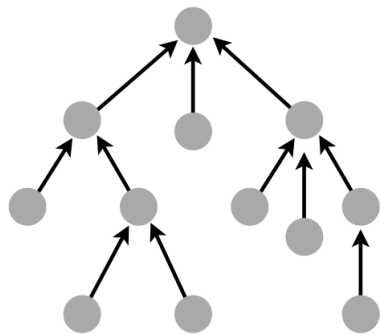
Singly-Linked Data Structures

From the point of view of a particular object:

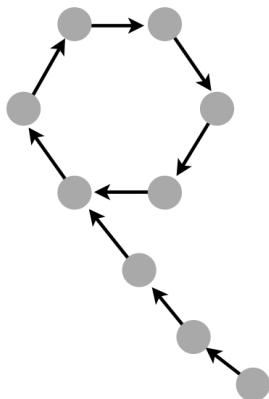
all of these structures look the same! 



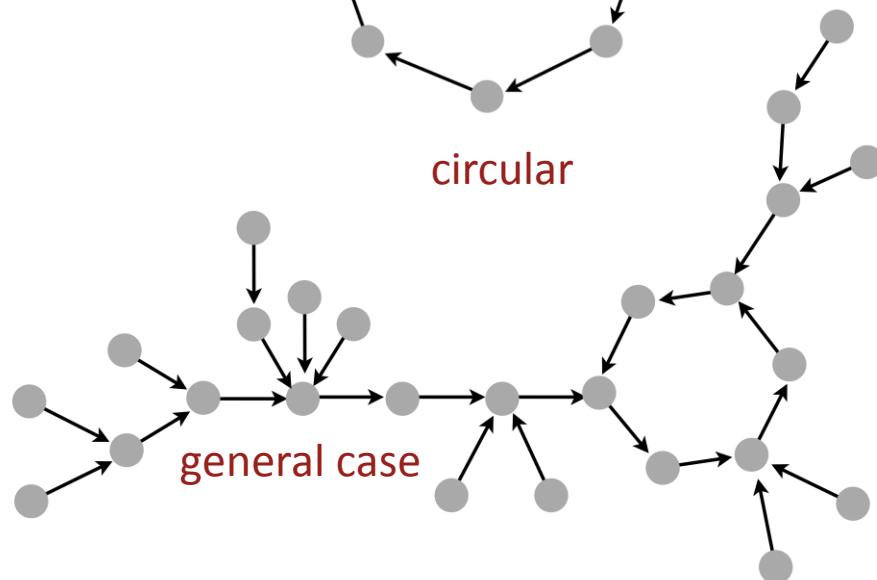
circular



parent-link tree



rho



general case

Multiply-linked data structures: Many more possibilities.

Linked Lists

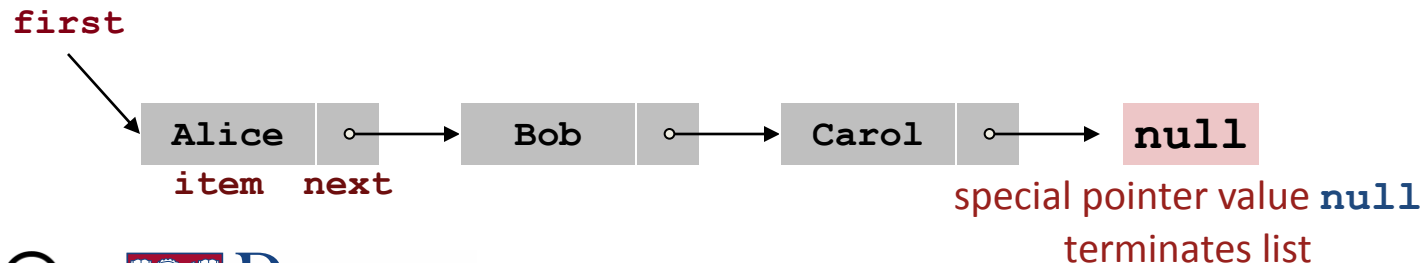
Linked list:

- A recursive data structure.
- An item plus a pointer to another linked list (or empty list).
 - Unwind recursion: linked list is a sequence of items.

Node data type:

- A reference to a **String**.
- A reference to another **Node**.

```
public class Node {  
    public String item;  
    public Node next;  
}
```



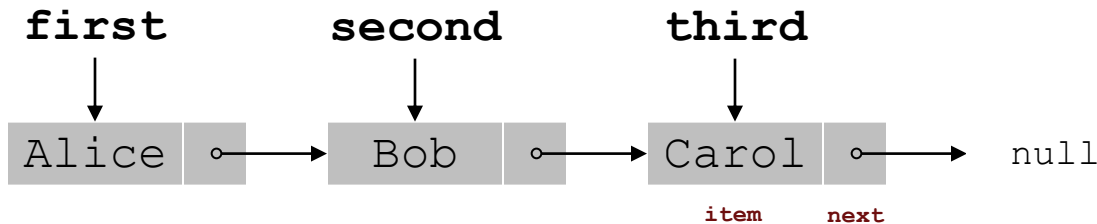
Building a Linked List

```
Node third = new Node();
third.item = "Carol";
third.next = null;

Node second = new Node();
second.item = "Bob";
second.next = third;

Node first = new Node();
first.item = "Alice";
first.next = second;
```

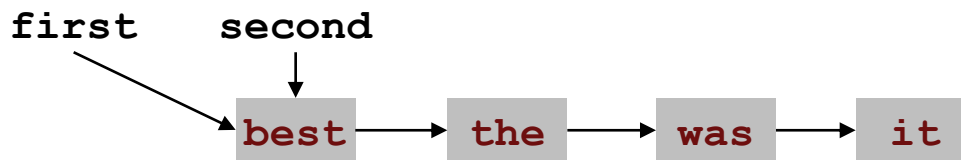
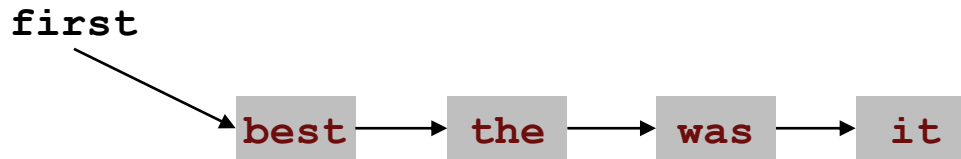
first C4
second CA
third C0



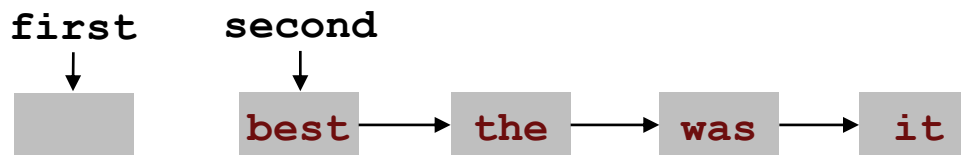
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| C2 | - |
| C3 | - |
| C4 | "Alice" |
| C5 | CA |
| C6 | - |
| C7 | - |
| C8 | - |
| C9 | - |
| CA | "Bob" |
| CB | C0 |
| CC | - |
| CD | - |
| CE | - |
| CF | - |

main memory

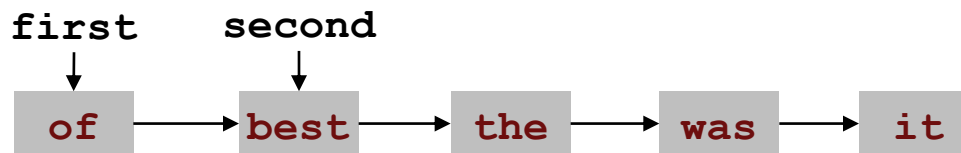
Stack Push: Linked List Implementation



```
Node second = first;
```



```
first = new Node();
```



```
first.item = "of";  
first.next = second;
```

Stack Pop: Linked List Implementation

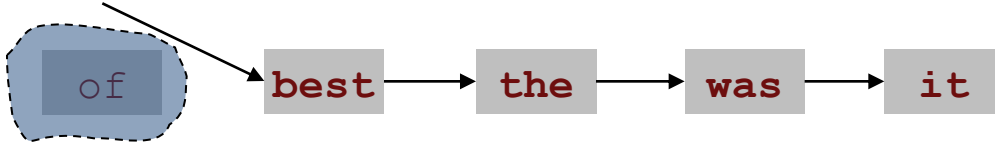
first



"of"

```
String item = first.item;
```

first



garbage-collected

```
first = first.next;
```

first



```
return item;
```

Stack: Linked List Implementation

```
public class LinkedStackOfStrings {  
    private Node first = null;
```

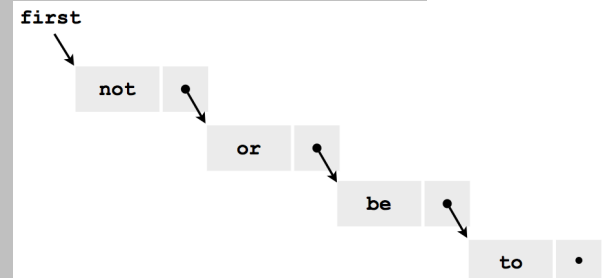
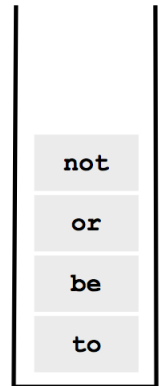
```
    private class Node {  
        private String item;  
        private Node next;  
    }  
    "inner class"
```

```
    public boolean isEmpty() { return first == null; }
```

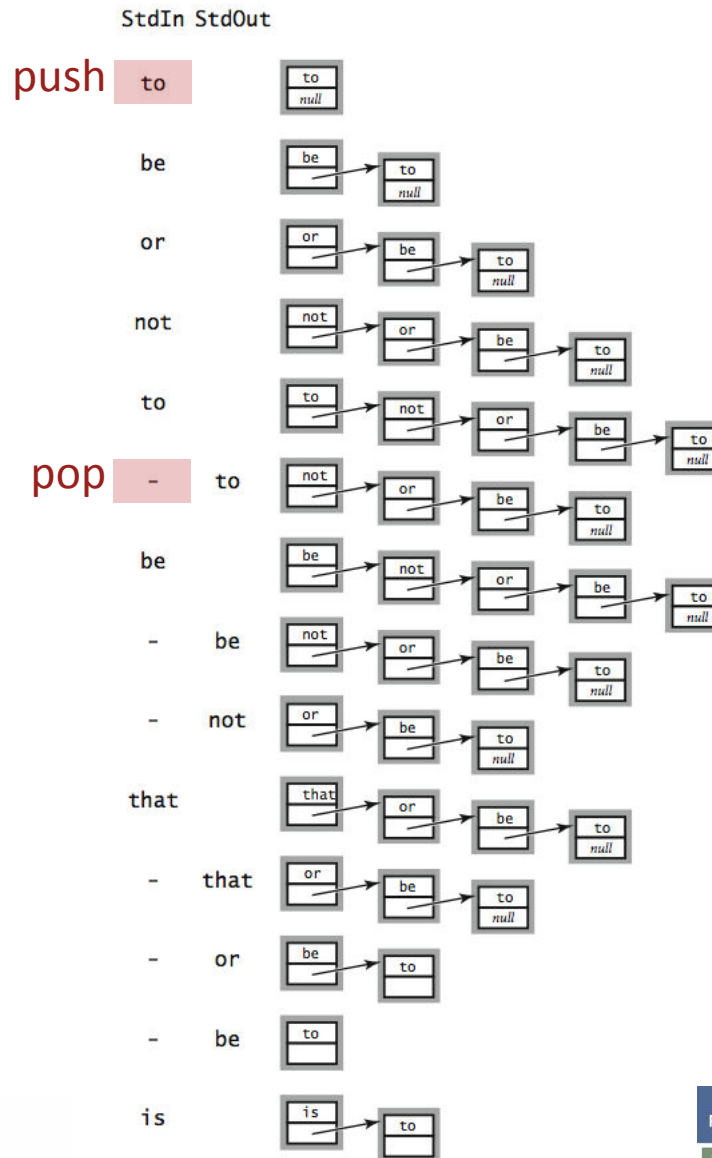
```
    public void push(String item) {  
        Node second = first;  
        first = new Node();  
        first.item = item;  
        first.next = second;  
    }
```

```
    public String pop() {  
        String item = first.item;  
        first = first.next;  
        return item;  
    }  
}
```

stack and linked list contents
after 4th push operation



Linked List Stack: Test Client Trace



Stack Data Structures: Tradeoffs

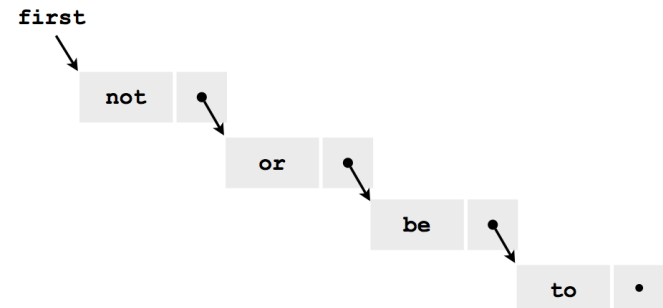
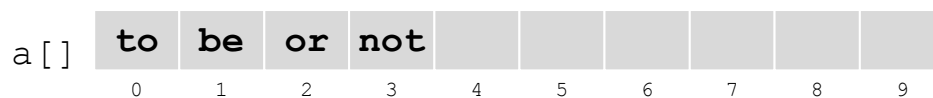
Two data structures to implement **Stack** data type.

Array:

- Every push/pop operation take constant time.
- **But...** must fix maximum capacity of stack ahead of time.

Linked list:

- Every push/pop operation takes constant time.
- Memory is proportional to number of items on stack.
- **But...** uses extra space and time to deal with references.



List Processing Challenge 1

What does the following code fragment do?

```
for (Node x = first; x != null; x = x.next) {  
    System.out.println(x.item);  
}
```

List Processing Challenge 2

What does the following code fragment do?

```
Node last = new Node();
last.item = 5;
last.next = null;
Node first = last;
for (int i = 1; i < 6; i++) {
    last.next = new Node();
    last = last.next;
    last.item = i;
    last.next = null;
}
```