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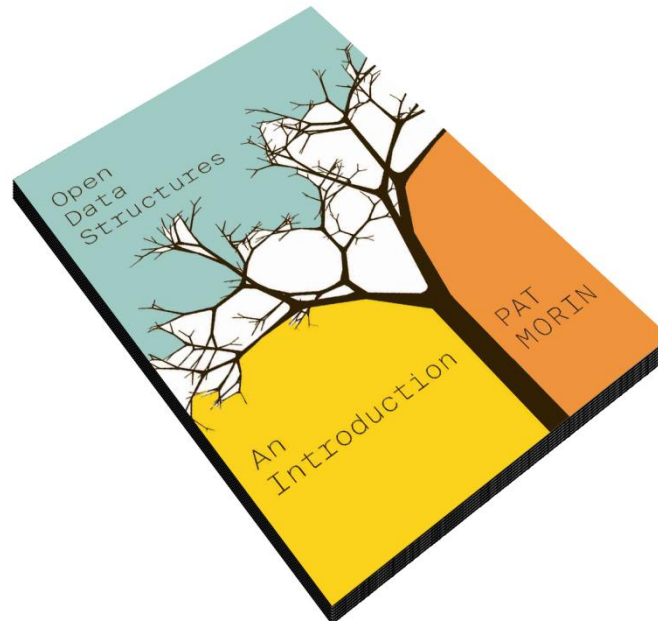
Abstract Data Types and Algorithms

Stack / List Operations Using an Array

Open Data Structures in Java

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Chapter 2.1



Fundamental and Supporting Operations

the **Abstract Data Type** known as the "**Stack**"
Guarantees the following **Fundamental Operations**:

push(o)

Insert the Object o at the Top of the Stack

pop()

Remove and Return the Object from the Top of the Stack

Fundamental and Supporting Operations

the **Abstract Data Type** known as the "**Stack**"
Typically Has the following **Supporting Operations**:

size()

Return the Number of Elements in the Stack

top()

Return (Without Removing) the Object from the Top of the Stack

...anything else?

Backing (i.e., Underlying) Array

when an **Array** is used as the **Underlying Data Structure** for an **Implementation** of an **Abstract Data Type**, this **Array** is known as the **Backing Array**

an **Advantage** to using a **Backing Array** is the ability to perform **Constant Time Access**

a **Disadvantage** associated with a **Backing Array** is that the **Underlying Structure Cannot Expand or Contract**

the introduction of gaps is another issue associated with backing arrays, but this is of no concern for the implementation of the stack ... why?

Time Complexity Analysis

the **Time Complexity** for Each Method is often Expressed with Respect to the Size of the Input and Communicated using **Big-Oh Notation**

generally speaking, it **Represents** how the method will **Execute** in the **Worst-Case Scenario**

What is the **Worst-Case Time Complexity** of `pop()` ?

What is the **Worst-Case Time Complexity** of `push()` ?

Time Complexity Analysis

What is the **Worst-Case Time Complexity** of `push()` ?

What is the **Worst-Case Scenario**?

Backing Array is Too Small in Relation to the Stack

(i.e., the size of the stack, before push, is already at the length of the array)

in this scenario, the **Backing Array** must be **Resized**

(n.b., from the stack size to double the stack size)

Resizing the Array entails **Making a New Array** and
Copying From the Old Array to the New Array

this is a **Linear Time Operation** – " **$O(n)$** "

(n.b., where n is the size of the stack)

Time Complexity Analysis

What is the **Worst-Case Time Complexity** of `pop()` ?

What is the **Worst-Case Scenario**?

Backing Array is Too Large in Relation to the Stack
(i.e., the length of the array is at least three times the size of the stack)

in this scenario, the **Backing Array** must be **Resized**
(n.b., from thrice the stack size to double the stack size)

Resizing the Array entails **Making a New Array** and
Copying From the Old Array to the New Array
this is a **Linear Time Operation** – " **$O(n)$** "
(n.b., where n is the size of the stack)

Fundamental and Supporting Operations

the **Abstract Data Type** known as the "**List**"
Guarantees the following **Fundamental Operations**:

`get(i)`

Return (Without Removing) the **Object** from the **i^{th} List Position**

`remove(i)`

Remove the **Object** from the **i^{th} List Position**

`set(i, o)`

Set the **Element** at the **i^{th} Position** of the **List** to **Object o**

`add(i, o)`

Insert the **Object o** into the **List** at the **i^{th} Position**

Time Complexity Analysis

What is the **Worst-Case Time Complexity** of:

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get(i)?  
remove(i)?  
set(i, o)?  
add(i, o)?
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What are the **Worst-Case Scenarios**?