Lab 09: Stacks and Queues

COSC 102 - Spring '24

<u>Goal</u>: In this week's lab, you will utilize provided Stack and Queue implementations to gain familiarity with the workings and advantages of these data structures.

1 Overview

You will be utilizing Stack and Queue implementations, provided in **LabStack.java** and **LabQueue.java**, to complete the tasks below. Also pay attention to each task's argument and time/space complexity constraints.

Review the methods and constructors available in the LabStack and LabQueue classes – comments are provided to understand their utility. You **may not** modify these classes.

2 Your Task

Implement the four methods defined below in your **Lab09.java**. For each method, test it with a variety of cases in your **Lab09Client.java**. You will submit your test cases (which will make up part of this lab's grade!)

2.1 Smallest to Top

In your Lab09. java, create a static function **smallestToTop**, which accepts a LabStack of ints and modifies the labStack so that the **smallest** number is now at the top. All other values in the LabStack stay in their original positions. If multiple values are tied for the smallest, only the value *closest to the bottom* is moved up.

For example, given the following LabStack (left-most number being bottom, right-most number being top):

After calling smallestToTop(...), the contents of the LabStack would be:

A few additional notes/requirements:

- This function does not return anything, but rather modifies the argument LabStack in place.
- Your solution must run in **O(n)**, where n is the size of the argument LabStack.
- Your solution may use additional **primitive** and **LabStack** type variables, but **no other data structures** (*i.e.* no array, ArrayList, etc). In other words, you're limited to **constant** extra space, excluding any LabStacks.
- if a null or empty Stack argument is provided, this function does nothing.

2.2 Bring to Front

In your Lab09.java, create a static function **bringToFront** which accepts two arguments **in this order:** a LabQueue of Strings and an int index. The function moves the String at the specified index of the argument LabQueue to the *front* of the argument LabQueue.

For example, given an argument LabQueue containing (front to back):

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[Cecil -> Golbez -> Rydia -> Cid -> Tellah]
```

and an index argument of 2, the provided LabQueue would be changed to:

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[Rydia -> Cecil -> Golbez -> Cid -> Tellah]
```

Some additional requirements for this function are listed on the next page:

- This function does not return anything, but rather modifies the argument LabQueue in place.
- Your solution must run in **O(n)**, where n is the size of the argument LabQueue.
- Your solution may only create additional primitive and String variables no other data structures **including no additional LabQueues**!
- If a null LabQueue or invalid index is passed, the function does nothing.

2.3 Mirrored Positives

In your Lab09.java, create a static function **mirroredPositives**, which accepts an LabQueue of ints and returns a boolean indicating whether the *positive* numbers in the argument LabQueue are <u>mirrored</u> – meaning the LabQueue contains the same positive values front-to-back as back-to-front.

The values are considered mirrored if the first positive value in the LabQueue matches the last positive value; the second positive matches the second-to-last positive, and so on. An empty LabQueue is also considered mirrored. If a LabQueue contains an odd number of positives, the median positive value is considered mirrored with itself.

Any **non positive-values** (<= **0**) **are ignored**, meaning they aren't factored in when determining if the argument LabQueue is mirrored. For example:

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[17 -> 4 -> 8 -> 9 -> 8 -> 4 -> -12 -> 17] would return true
[12 -> 2 -> 6 -> 12] would return false
[0 -> -5 -> 13 -> 8 -> 13] would return true
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A few additional notes/requirements:

- The argument LabQueue must be **in its original state** after the function is done running meaning it should have the same data in the same order before and after the function is ran.
- Your solution must run in **O(n)**, where **n** is the size of the argument LabQueue.
- Your solution may use additional **primitive** and **LabStack** type variables, but **no other data structures** (*i.e.* no array, ArrayList, etc). In other words, you're limited to **constant** extra space, excluding any LabStacks.
- If a null argument is provided, this function returns **false**.

2.4 Get Common Nums

In your Lab09. java, create a static function named **getCommonNums** which accepts two LabQueues of **sorted, unique** ints. This function returns a new LabQueue containing only the ints appearing in **both** LabQueues, in sorted order.

For example, given LabQueues containing:

$$[1 \rightarrow 4 \rightarrow 8 \rightarrow 11]$$
 and $[1 \rightarrow 4 \rightarrow 5 \rightarrow 11 \rightarrow 21]$

getCommonNums's returned LabQueue would contain:

$$[1 -> 4 -> 11]$$

A few final notes/requirements:

- Your solution must run in **O(n)**, where n is the combined size of the argument LabQueues.
- Both argument LabQueues must be in their original state after the function is done running.
- Your solution may only create additional primitive variables, as well as <u>one</u> additional LabQueue (which you will return). No other data structures.
- You may assume both argument LabQueues contain sorted, unique values and do no nulls. If either argument is null, the function returns null. You do not need to account for arguments with unsorted/duplicate values.

3 Submission

Upload your Lab09. java and Lab09Client. java to the submission link on your lab's Moodle.

This lab is due:

- Tuesday, April 23rd by 5:00 PM for lab sections A, B, and C (which meet on Wednesday)
- Wednesday, April 24th by 5:00 PM for lab sections D, E, and F (which meet on Thursday)