

# CS101 Algorithms and Data Structures

Stack

Textbook Ch 10.1

# Outline

- Stack ADT
- Implementation
- Example applications

# Reverse-Polish Notation

Normally, mathematics is written using what we call *in-fix* notation:

$$(3 + 4) \times 5 - 6$$

The operator is placed between two operands

One weakness: parentheses are required

$$(3 + 4) \times 5 - 6 = 29$$

$$3 + 4 \times 5 - 6 = 17$$

$$3 + 4 \times (5 - 6) = -1$$

$$(3 + 4) \times (5 - 6) = -7$$

# Reverse-Polish Notation

Alternatively, we can place the operands first, followed by the operator:

$$(3 + 4) \times 5 - 6$$
$$3 \ 4 \ + \ 5 \ \times \ 6 \ -$$

Parsing reads left-to-right and performs any operation on the last two operands:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 3 & 4 & + & 5 & \times & 6 & - \\ & 7 & & 5 & \times & 6 & - \\ & & & 35 & & 6 & - \\ & & & & & 29 & \end{array}$$

# Reverse-Polish Notation

Other examples:

3 4 5 × + 6 −

3 20 + 6 −

23 6 −

17

$$3 + 4 \times 5 - 6 = 17$$

3 4 5 6 − × +

3 4 −1 × +

3 −4 +

−1

$$3 + 4 \times (5 - 6) = -1$$

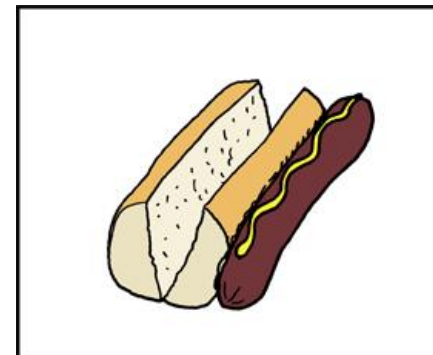
# Reverse-Polish Notation

This is called *reverse-Polish* notation after the mathematician Jan Łukasiewicz



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REVERSE POLISH SAUSAGE

<http://xkcd.com/645/>

# Reverse-Polish Notation

## Benefits:

- No ambiguity and no brackets are required
- It is the same process used by a computer to perform computations:
  - operands must be loaded into registers before operations can be performed on them

# Reverse-Polish Notation

The easiest way to parse reverse-Polish notation is to use an operand stack:

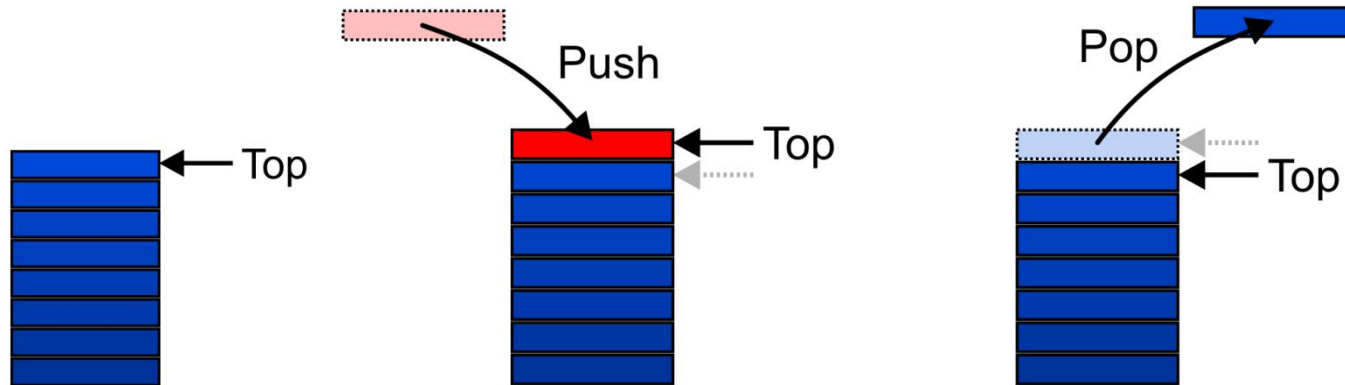
- operands are processed by pushing them onto the stack
- when processing an operator:
  - pop the last two items off the operand stack,
  - perform the operation, and
  - push the result back onto the stack



# Stack ADT

Also called a *last-in–first-out* (LIFO) behaviour

- Graphically, we may view these operations as follows:



# Applications

Numerous applications:

- Parsing code:
  - Matching parenthesis
  - XML (e.g., XHTML)
- Tracking function calls
- Dealing with undo/redo operations
- Reverse-Polish calculators
- Assembly language

# Reverse-Polish Notation

Evaluate the following reverse-Polish expression using a stack:

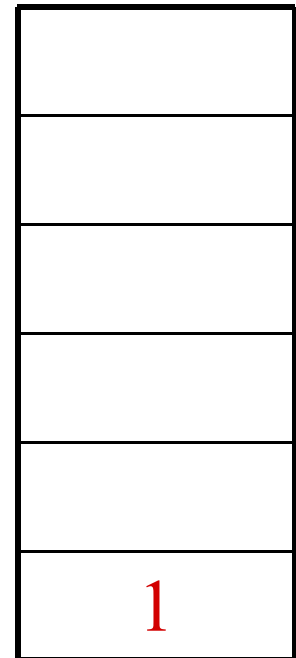
1 2 3 + 4 5 6 × − 7 × + − 8 9 × +

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# Reverse-Polish Notation

Push 1 onto the stack

1 2 3 + 4 5 6 × − 7 × + − 8 9 × +



# Reverse-Polish Notation

Push 1 onto the stack

1 2 3 + 4 5 6 × − 7 × + − 8 9 × +

|   |
|---|
|   |
|   |
|   |
|   |
| 2 |
| 1 |

# Reverse-Polish Notation

Push 3 onto the stack

1 2 3 + 4 5 6 × − 7 × + − 8 9 × +

|   |
|---|
|   |
|   |
|   |
| 3 |
| 2 |
| 1 |

# Reverse-Polish Notation

Pop 3 and 2 and push  $2 + 3 = 5$

1 2 3 + 4 5 6 × − 7 × + − 8 9 × +

|   |
|---|
|   |
|   |
|   |
|   |
| 5 |
| 1 |

# Reverse-Polish Notation

Push 4 onto the stack

1 2 3 + 4 5 6 × − 7 × + − 8 9 × +

|   |
|---|
|   |
|   |
|   |
| 4 |
| 5 |
| 1 |



# Reverse-Polish Notation

Push 5 onto the stack

1 2 3 + 4 **5** 6 × − 7 × + − 8 9 × +

|          |
|----------|
|          |
|          |
| <b>5</b> |
| 4        |
| 5        |
| 1        |

# Reverse-Polish Notation

Push 6 onto the stack

1 2 3 + 4 5 **6** × − 7 × + − 8 9 × +

|          |
|----------|
|          |
| <b>6</b> |
| 5        |
| 4        |
| 5        |
| 1        |

# Reverse-Polish Notation

Pop 6 and 5 and push  $5 \times 6 = 30$

1 2 3 + 4 5 6  $\times$  - 7  $\times$  + - 8 9  $\times$  +

|    |
|----|
|    |
|    |
| 30 |
| 4  |
| 5  |
| 1  |

# Reverse-Polish Notation

Pop 30 and 4 and push  $4 - 30 = -26$

1 2 3 + 4 5 6 × − 7 × + − 8 9 × +

|     |
|-----|
|     |
|     |
|     |
| −26 |
| 5   |
| 1   |

# Reverse-Polish Notation

Push 7 onto the stack

1 2 3 + 4 5 6 × − 7 × + − 8 9 × +

|     |
|-----|
|     |
|     |
| 7   |
| −26 |
| 5   |
| 1   |

# Reverse-Polish Notation

Pop 7 and  $-26$  and push  $-26 \times 7 = -182$

1 2 3 + 4 5 6  $\times$   $-$  7  $\times$  +  $-$  8 9  $\times$  +

|        |
|--------|
|        |
|        |
|        |
| $-182$ |
| 5      |
| 1      |

# Reverse-Polish Notation

Pop  $-182$  and  $5$  and push  $-182 + 5 = -177$

1 2 3 + 4 5 6  $\times$   $-$  7  $\times$   $+$   $-$  8 9  $\times$   $+$

|        |
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|        |
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|        |
|        |
| $-177$ |
| 1      |

# Reverse-Polish Notation

Pop  $-177$  and  $1$  and push  $1 - (-177) = 178$

1 2 3 + 4 5 6 × − 7 × + − 8 9 × +

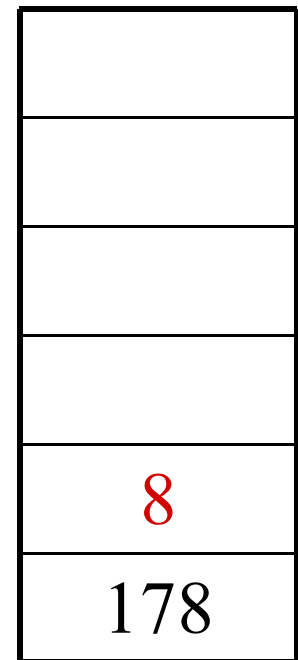
|     |
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|     |
|     |
|     |
|     |
| 178 |



# Reverse-Polish Notation

Push 8 onto the stack

1 2 3 + 4 5 6 × − 7 × + − 8 9 × +



# Reverse-Polish Notation

Push 1 onto the stack

1 2 3 + 4 5 6 × − 7 × + − 8 9 × +

|     |
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|     |
|     |
|     |
| 9   |
| 8   |
| 178 |

# Reverse-Polish Notation

Pop 9 and 8 and push  $8 \times 9 = 72$

1 2 3 + 4 5 6  $\times$  - 7  $\times$  + - 8 9  $\times$  +

|     |
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|     |
|     |
|     |
|     |
| 72  |
| 178 |

# Reverse-Polish Notation

Pop 72 and 178 and push  $178 + 72 = 250$

1 2 3 + 4 5 6 × − 7 × + − 8 9 × +

|     |
|-----|
|     |
|     |
|     |
|     |
|     |
| 250 |

# Reverse-Polish Notation

Thus

$$1\ 2\ 3\ +\ 4\ 5\ 6\ \times\ -\ 7\ \times\ +\ -\ 8\ 9\ \times\ +$$

evaluates to the value on the top: 250

The equivalent in-fix notation is

$$((1 - ((2 + 3) + ((4 - (5 \times 6)) \times 7))) + (8 \times 9))$$

We reduce the parentheses using order-of-operations:

$$1 - (2 + 3 + (4 - 5 \times 6) \times 7) + 8 \times 9$$

# Stack ADT

- Uses an explicit linear ordering
- Two principal operations
  - *Push*: insert an object onto the top of the stack
  - *Pop*: erase the object on the top of the stack
  - *CreateStack*: generate an empty stack
  - *IsEmpty*: determine if stack is empty
  - *IsFull*: determine if stack is full

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# Implementations

We will look at two implementations of stacks:

- Singly linked lists
- One-ended arrays

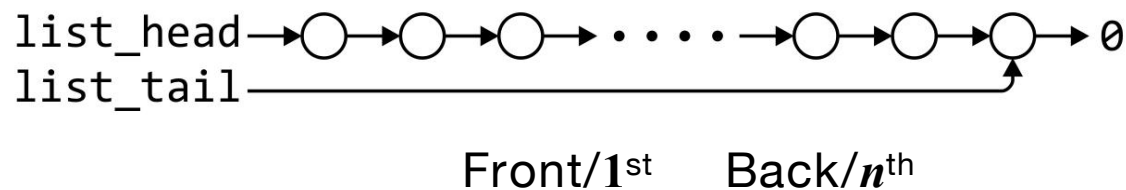
The optimal asymptotic run time of any algorithm is  $\Theta(1)$

- The run time of the algorithm is independent of the number of objects being stored in the container



# Linked-List Implementation

Operations at the front of a singly linked list are all  $\Theta(1)$



Find

Insert

Erase

The desired behavior of an Abstract Stack may be reproduced by performing all operations at the front

# Single\_list Definition

The definition of single list class:

```
template <typename Type>
class Single_list {
    public:
    Single_list();
    ~Single_list();

    int size() const;          /* return the length of the List */
    bool empty() const;        /* return true when List is empty */
    Type front() const;        /* return the data in the first node */
    Type back() const;         /* return the data in the last node */
    Single_node<Type> *head() const; /* return the first node */
    Single_node<Type> *tail() const; /* return the last node */
    int count( Type const & ) const; /* counts the number of instances of data*/

    void push_front( Type const & ); /* insert a node as the first node*/
    void push_back( Type const & ); /* insert a node as the last node*/
    Type pop_front(); /* return the data in the first node and delete the first node*/
    int erase( Type const & ); /* removes the nodes containing that integer*/

};
```

# Stack-as-List Class

The stack class using a singly linked list has a single private member variable:

```
template <typename Type>
class Stack {
    private:
        Single_list<Type> list;
    public:
        bool empty() const;
        Type top() const;
        void push( Type const & );
        Type pop();
};
```

# Stack-as-List Class

The empty and push functions just call the appropriate functions of the Single\_list class

```
template <typename Type>
bool Stack<Type>::empty() const {
    return list.empty();
}
```

```
template <typename Type>
void Stack<Type>::push( Type const &obj ) {
    list.push_front( obj );
}
```

# void push\_front( int )

We could, however, note that when the list is empty, `list_head == 0`, thus we could shorten this to:

```
void List::push_front( int n ) {  
    list_head = new Node( n, list_head );  
}
```

If it is empty, we start with:

`list_head`  $\longrightarrow$  0

and, if we try to add 81, we should end up with:

`list_head`  $\longrightarrow$  (81)  $\longrightarrow$  0

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```
void List::push_front( int n ) {  
    list_head = new Node( n, list_head );  
}
```

If it is not empty, we start with:



and, if we try to add 70, we should end up with:



# Stack-as-List Class

The top and pop functions, however, must check the boundary case:

```
template <typename Type>
Type Stack<Type>::top() const {
    if ( empty() ) {
        throw underflow();
    }

    return list.front();
}
```

```
template <typename Type>
Type Stack<Type>::pop() {
    if ( empty() ) {
        throw underflow();
    }

    return list.pop_front();
}
```

# int pop\_front()

The correct implementation assigns a temporary pointer to point to the node being deleted:

```
int List::pop_front() {  
    if ( empty() ) {  
        throw underflow();  
    }  
  
    int e = front();  
    Node *ptr = list_head;  
    list_head = list_head->next();  
    delete ptr;  
    return e;  
}
```

```
int front() const  
  
int List::front() const {  
    if ( empty() ) {  
        throw underflow();  
    }  
  
    return head()->retrieve();  
}
```



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```

```
    int e = front();
```

```
    Node *ptr = list_head;
```

```
    list_head = list_head->next();
```

```
    delete ptr;
```

```
    return e;
```

```
}
```

list\_head

e = 70



int front() const

```
int List::front() const {
```

```
    if ( empty() ) {
```

```
        throw underflow();
```

```
    }
```

```
    return head()->retrieve();
```

```
}
```

# int pop\_front()

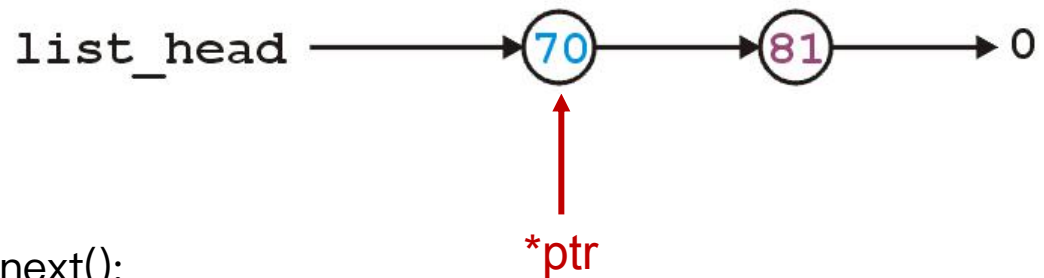
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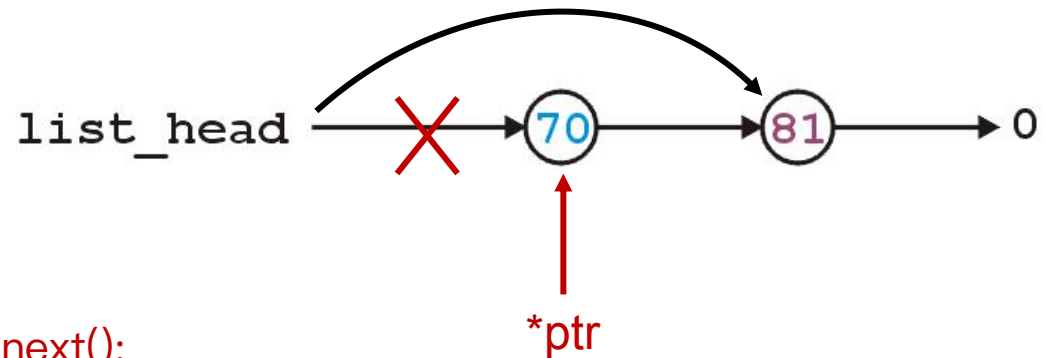
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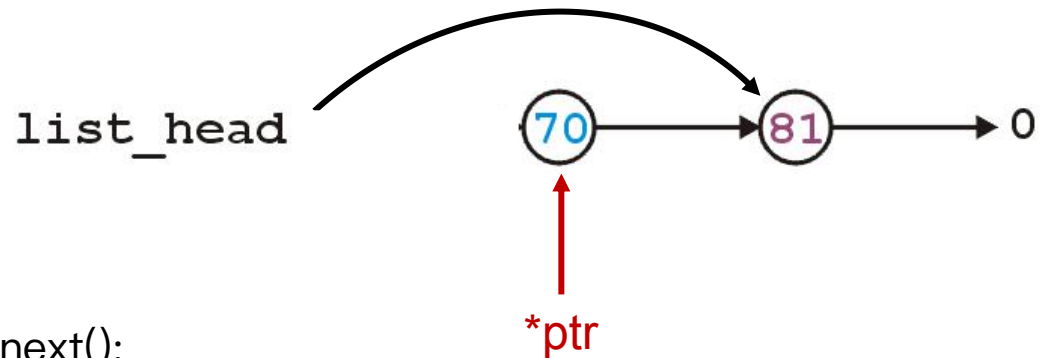
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    return e;  
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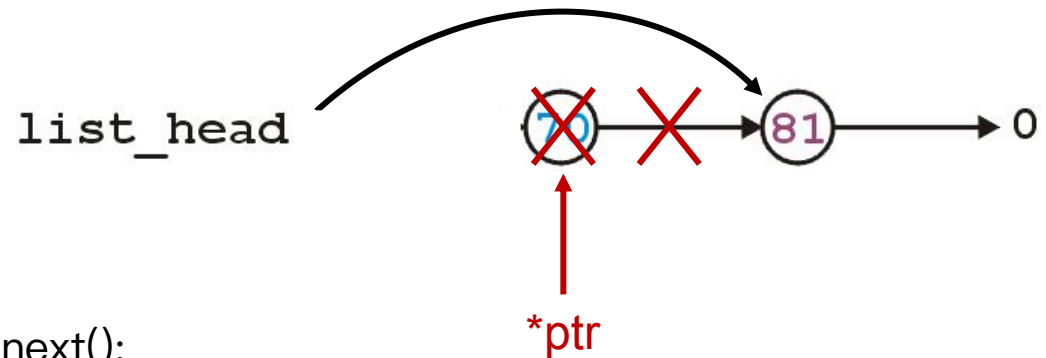
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    return e;  
}
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    Node *ptr = list_head;  
    list_head = list_head->next();  
    delete ptr;  
    return e;  
}
```





# Stack-as-List Class

*A constructor and destructor is not needed*

- Because **list** is declared, the compiler will call the constructor of the Single\_list class when the Stack is constructed

# Array Implementation

For one-ended arrays, all operations at the back are  $\Theta(1)$



Front/**1**<sup>st</sup>

Back/***n***<sup>th</sup>

Find

Insert

Erase

# Stack-as-Array Class

```
template <typename Type>
class Stack {
    private:
        int stack_size; //number of objects in the stack
        int array_capacity; //capacity of the array
        Type *array;
    public:
        Stack( int = 10 );
        ~Stack();
        bool empty() const;
        Type top() const;
        void push( Type const & );
        Type pop();
};
```

# Constructor

The class is only storing the address of the array

- We must allocate memory for the array and initialize the member variables

```
#include <algorithm>
```

```
// ...
```

```
template <typename Type>
```

```
Stack<Type>::Stack( int n ):
```

```
    stack_size( 0 ),
```

```
    array_capacity( std::max( 1, n ) ),
```

```
    array( new Type[array_capacity] ) {
```

```
        // Empty constructor
```

```
}
```

# Constructor

Warning: in C++, the variables are initialized in the order in which they are defined:

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template <typename Type>
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```

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        void push( Type const & );
        Type pop();
};
```

# Destructor

The destructor must release the memory for the array

```
template <typename Type>
Stack<Type>::~~Stack() {
    delete [] array;
}
```

# Empty

The stack is empty if the stack size is zero:

```
template <typename Type>
bool Stack<Type>::empty() const {
    return ( stack_size == 0 );
}
```

# Top

If there are  $n$  objects in the stack, the last is located at index  $n - 1$

```
template <typename Type>
Type Stack<Type>::top() const {
    if ( empty() ) {
        throw underflow();
    }

    return array[stack_size - 1];
}
```



# Pop

Removing an object simply involves reducing the size

- By decreasing the size, the previous top of the stack is now at the location `stack_size`

```
template <typename Type>
Type Stack<Type>::pop() {
    if ( empty() ) {
        throw underflow();
    }

    --stack_size;
    return array[stack_size];
}
```

# Push

Pushing an object onto the stack can only be performed if the array is not full

```
template <typename Type>
void Stack<Type>::push( Type const &obj ) {
    if ( stack_size == array_capacity ) {
        throw overflow();
    }

    array[stack_size] = obj;
    ++stack_size;
}
```

# Exceptions

The case where the array is full is not an exception defined in the Abstract Stack

If the array is filled, we have five options:

- Increase the size of the array
- Throw an exception
- Ignore the element being pushed
- Replace the current top of the stack
- Put the pushing process to “sleep” until something else removes the top of the stack

Include a member function `bool full() const;`

# Array Capacity

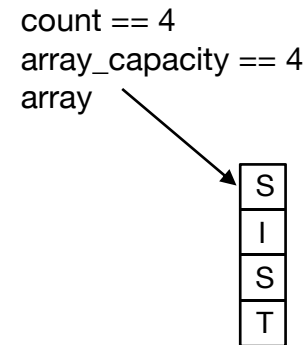
The best option is to increase the array capacity

If we increase the array capacity, the question is:

- How much?
- By a constant? `array_capacity += c;`
- By a multiple? `array_capacity *= c;`

# Array Capacity

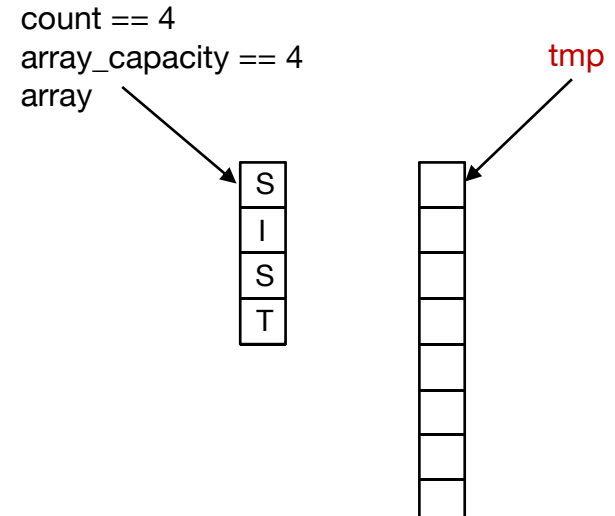
First, let us visualize what must occur to allocate new memory



# Array Capacity

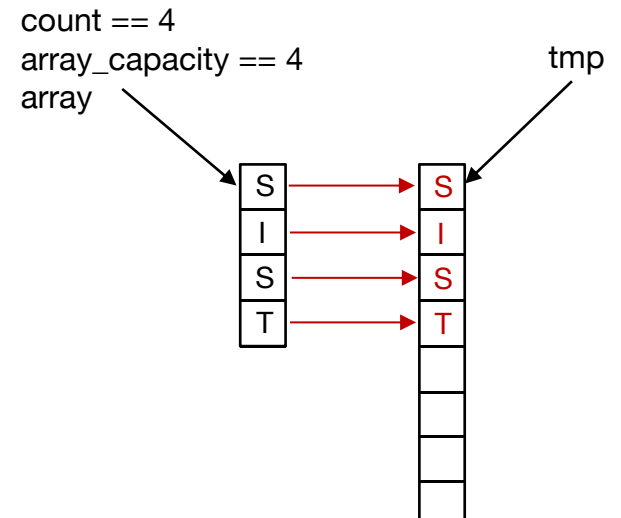
First, this requires a call to `new Type[N]` where  $N$  is the new capacity

- We must have access to this so we must store the address returned by `new` in a local variable, say `tmp`



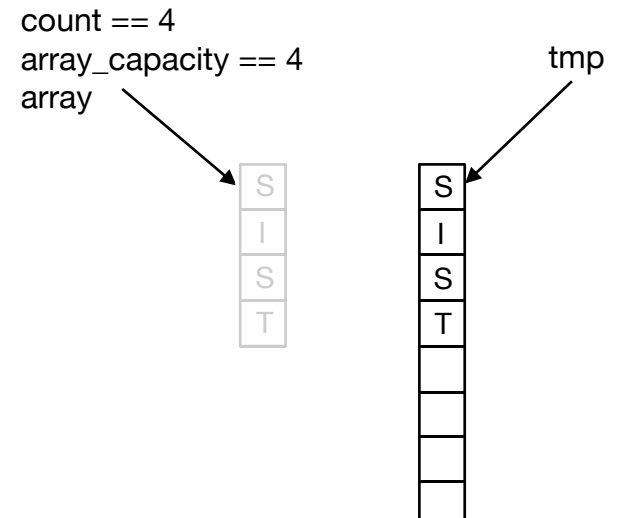
# Array Capacity

Next, the values must be copied over



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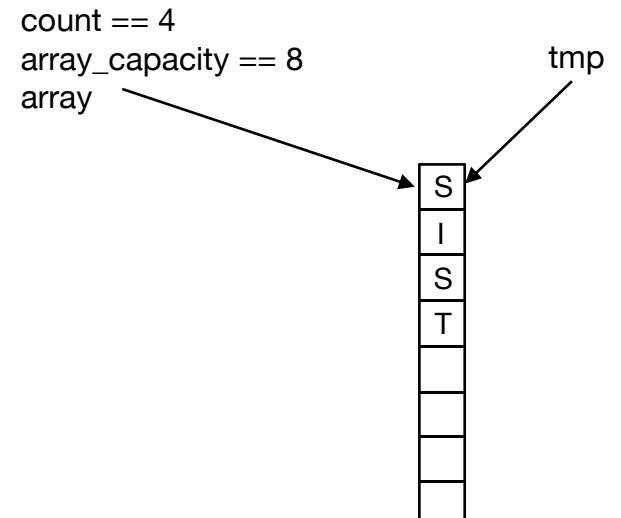
The memory for the original array must be deallocated





# Array Capacity

Finally, the appropriate member variables must be reassigned

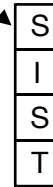


# Array Capacity

The implementation:

```
void double_capacity() {
```

```
    count == 4  
    array_capacity == 4  
    array
```



```
}
```

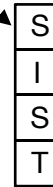
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```
    Type *tmp_array = new Type[2*array_capacity];
```

```
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    array_capacity == 4  
    array
```



tmp\_array



```
}
```

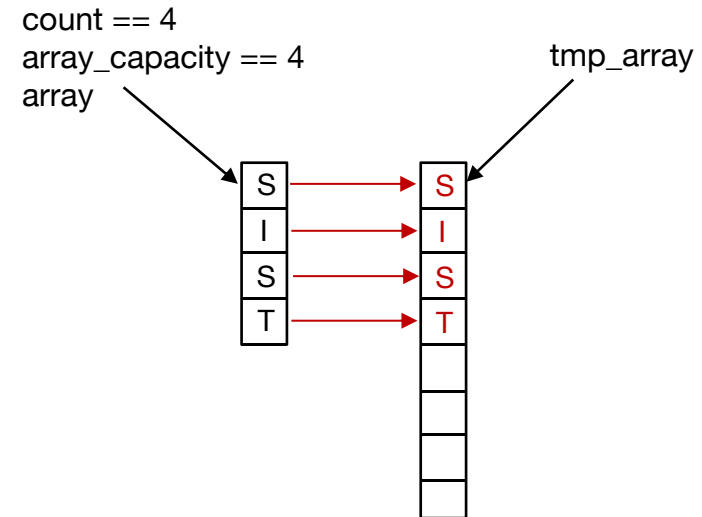
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```

```
    for ( int i = 0; i < array_capacity; ++i ) {  
        tmp_array[i] = array[i];  
    }
```

```
}
```



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    for ( int i = 0; i < array_capacity; ++i ) {  
        tmp_array[i] = array[i];  
    }  
  
    delete [] array;  
  
}
```

count == 4  
array\_capacity == 4  
array



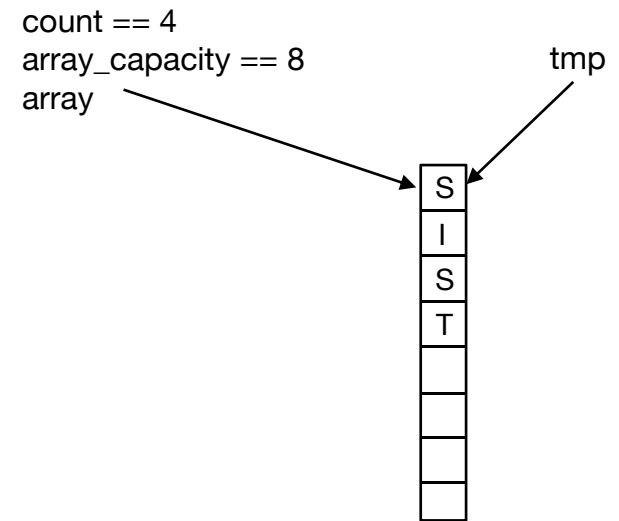
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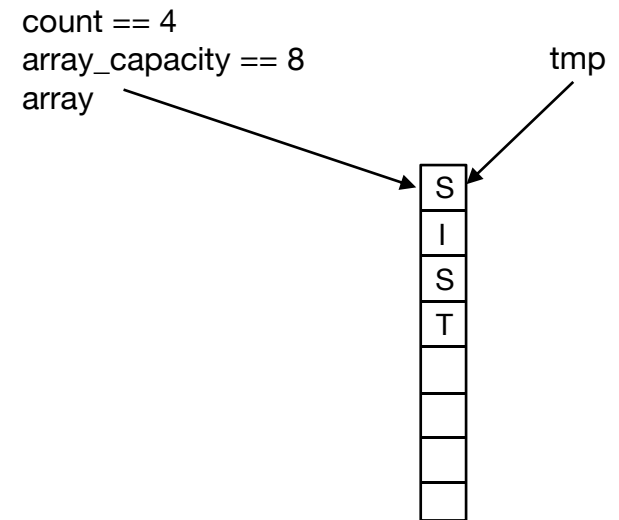
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    Type *tmp_array = new Type[2*array_capacity];  
  
    for ( int i = 0; i < array_capacity; ++i ) {  
        tmp_array[i] = array[i];  
    }  
  
    delete [] array;  
    array = tmp_array;  
  
}
```



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    for ( int i = 0; i < array_capacity; ++i ) {  
        tmp_array[i] = array[i];  
    }  
  
    delete [] array;  
    array = tmp_array;  
  
    array_capacity *= 2;  
}
```



# Array Capacity

Back to the original question:

- How much do we change the capacity?
- Add a constant?
- Multiply by a constant?

First, we recognize that any time that we push onto a full stack, this requires  $n$  copies, and the run time is  $\Theta(n)$

Therefore, push is usually  $\Theta(1)$  except when new memory is required



# Array Capacity

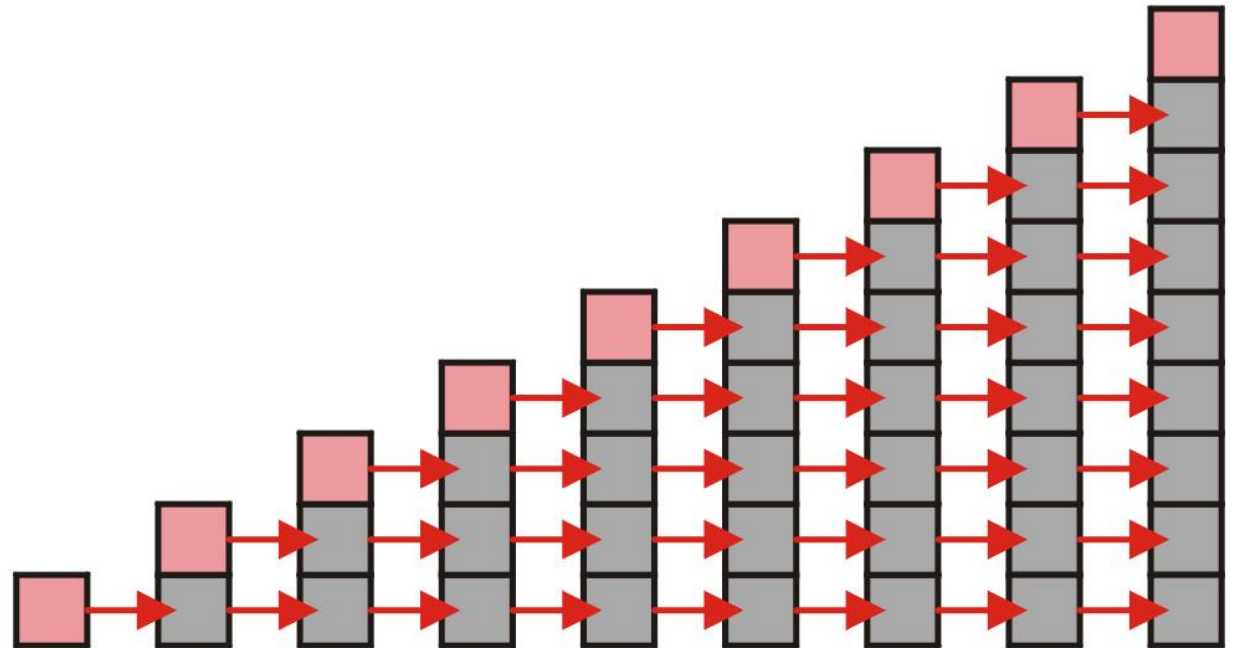
To state the average run time, we will introduce the concept of **amortized time**:

- If  $n$  operations requires  $\Theta(f(n))$ , we will say that an individual operation has an amortized run time of  $\Theta(f(n)/n)$
- Therefore, if inserting  $n$  objects requires:
  - $\Theta(n^2)$  copies, the amortized time is  $\Theta(n)$
  - $\Theta(n)$  copies, the amortized time is  $\Theta(1)$

# Array Capacity

Let us consider the case of increasing the capacity by 1 each time the array is full

- With each insertion when the array is full, this requires all entries to be copied



# Array Capacity

Suppose we insert  $k$  objects

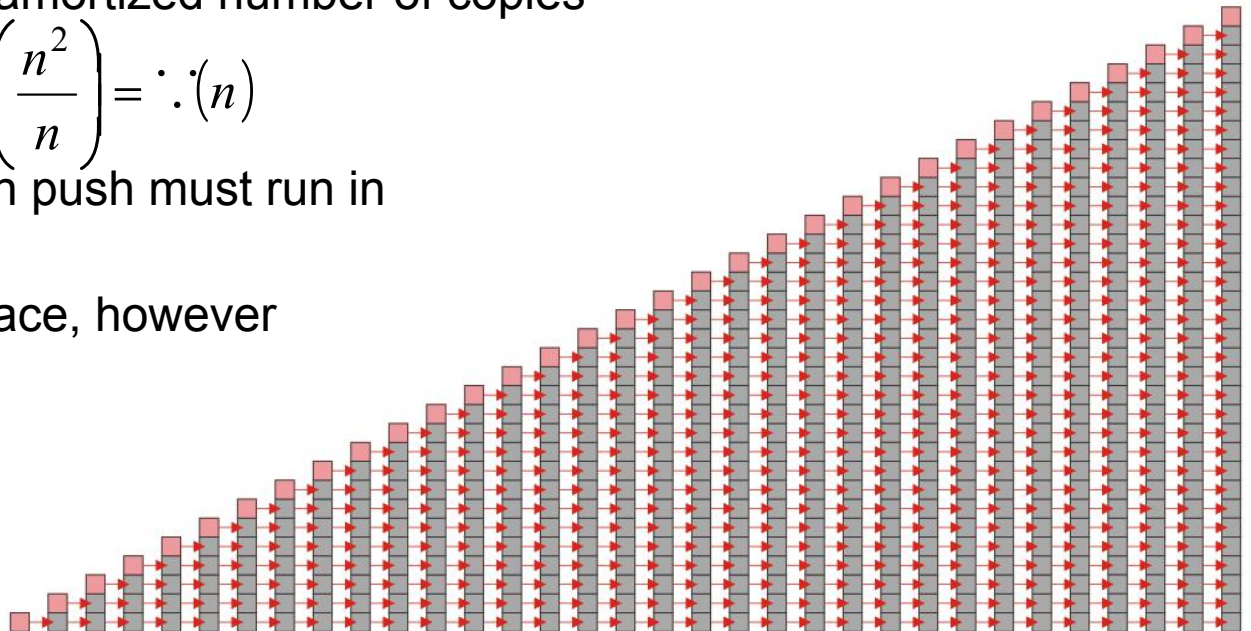
- The pushing of the  $k^{\text{th}}$  object on the stack requires  $k-1$  copies
- The total number of copies is now given by:

$$\sum_{k=1}^n (k-1) = \left( \sum_{k=1}^n k \right) - n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2} - n = \frac{n(n-1)}{2} = \Theta(n^2)$$

- Therefore, the amortized number of copies

is given by  $\Theta\left(\frac{n^2}{n}\right) = \Theta(n)$

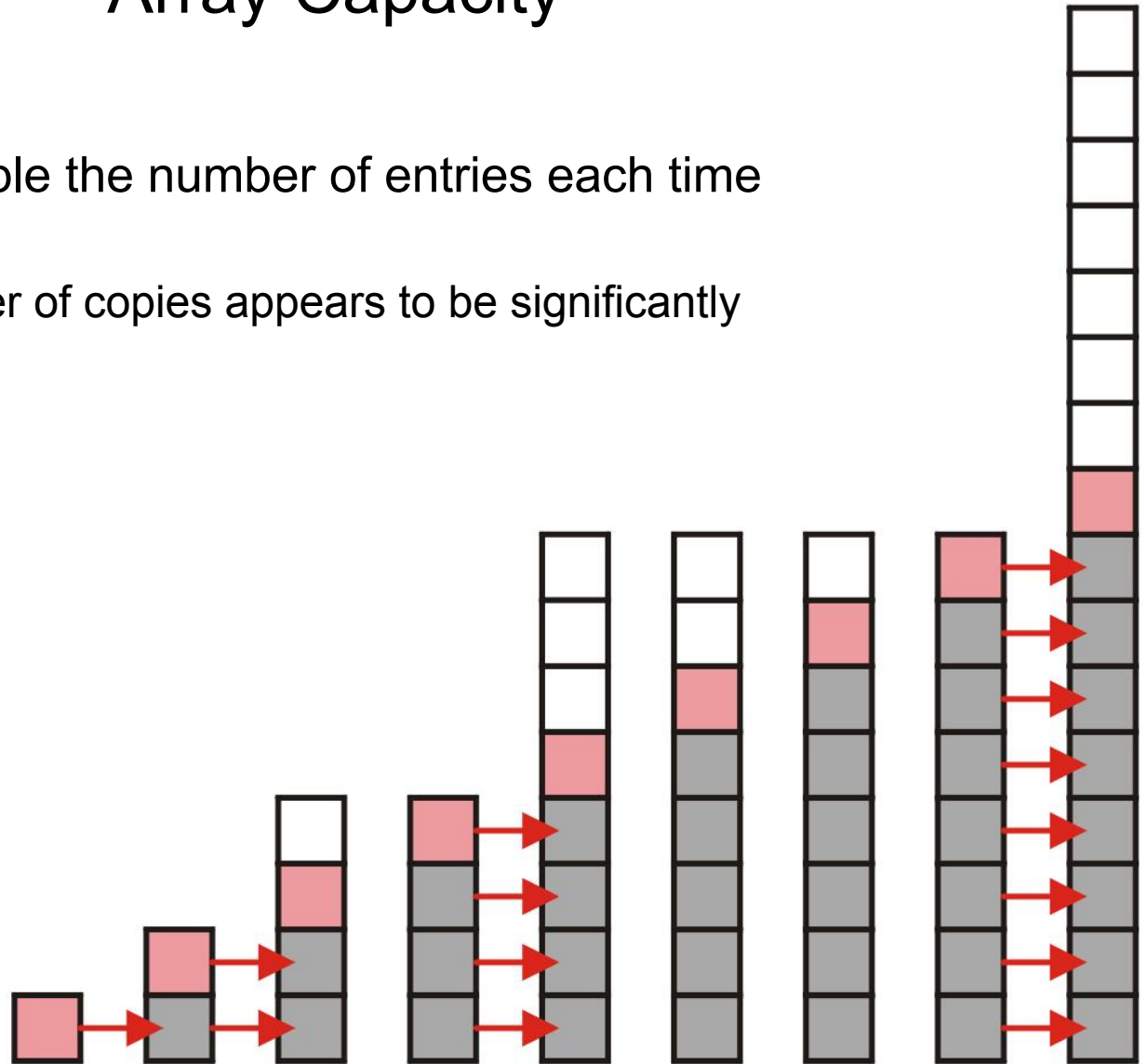
- Therefore, each push must run in  $\Theta(n)$  time
- The wasted space, however is  $\Theta(1)$



# Array Capacity

Suppose we double the number of entries each time the array is full

- Now the number of copies appears to be significantly fewer



# Array Capacity

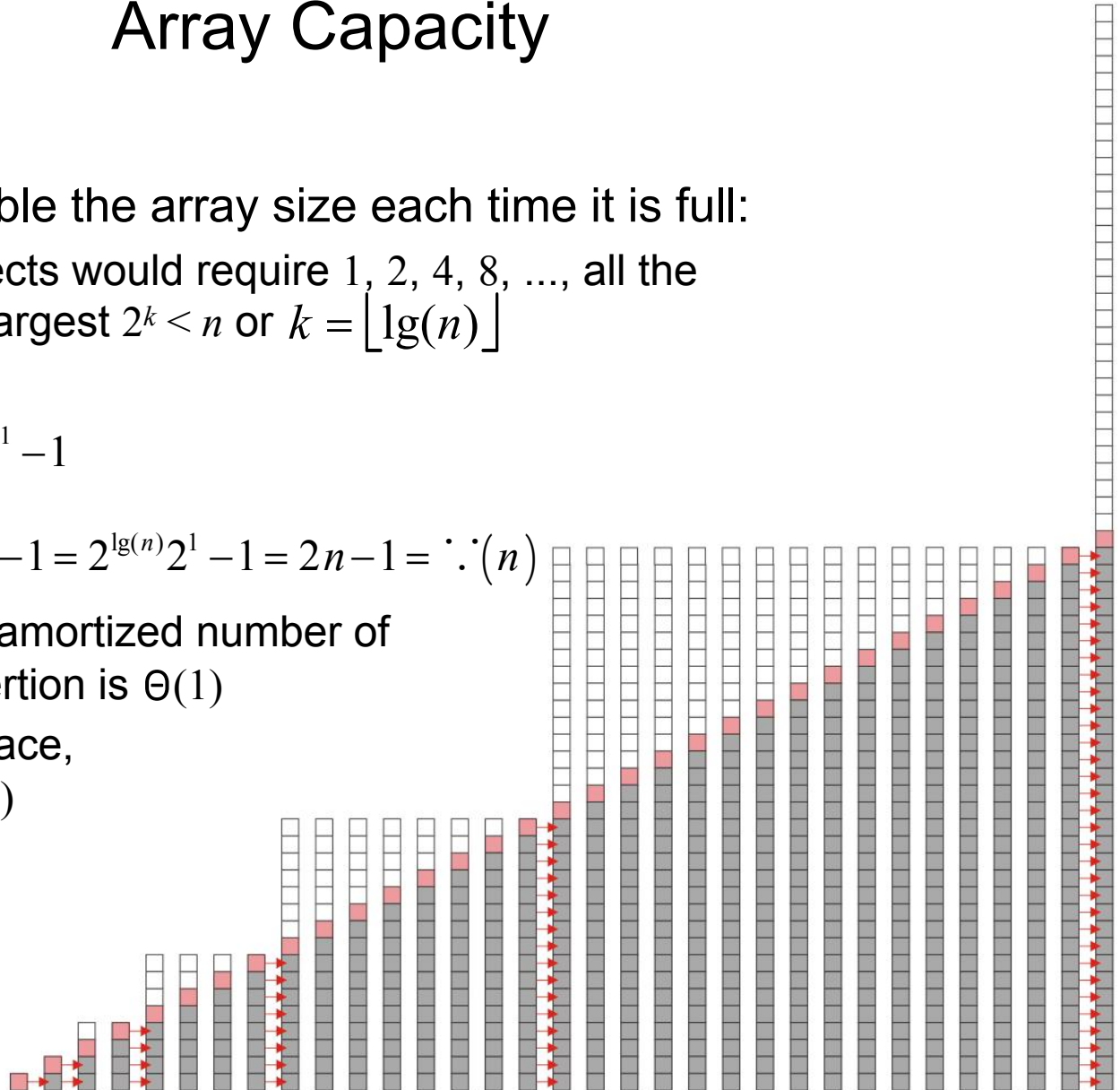
Suppose we double the array size each time it is full:

- Inserting  $n$  objects would require 1, 2, 4, 8, ..., all the way up to the largest  $2^k < n$  or  $k = \lfloor \lg(n) \rfloor$

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor \lg(n) \rfloor} 2^k = 2^{\lfloor \lg(n) \rfloor + 1} - 1$$

$$\leq 2^{\lg(n)+1} - 1 = 2^{\lg(n)} 2^1 - 1 = 2n - 1 = O(n)$$

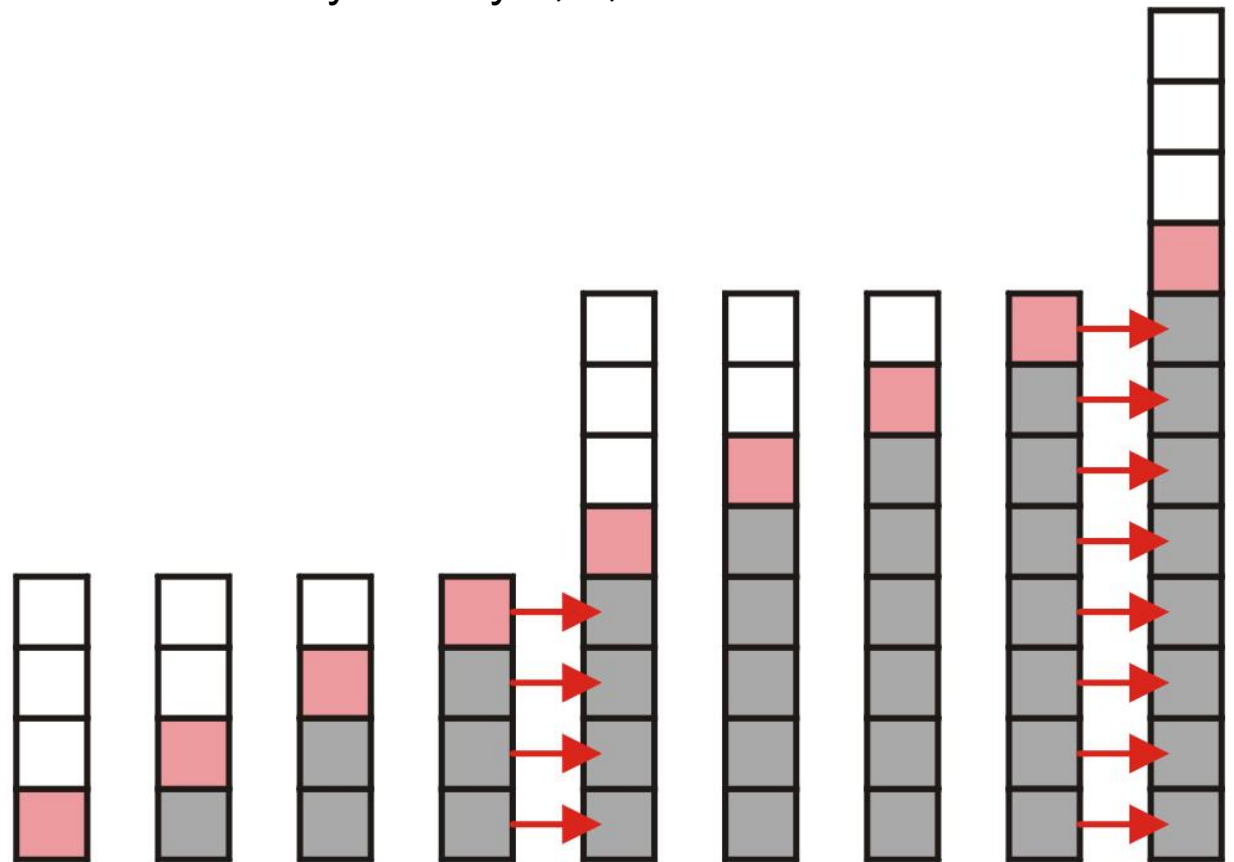
- Therefore, the amortized number of copies per insertion is  $\Theta(1)$
- The wasted space, however is  $O(n)$



# Array Capacity

What if we increase the array size by a larger constant?

- For example, increase the array size by 4, 8, or 100?

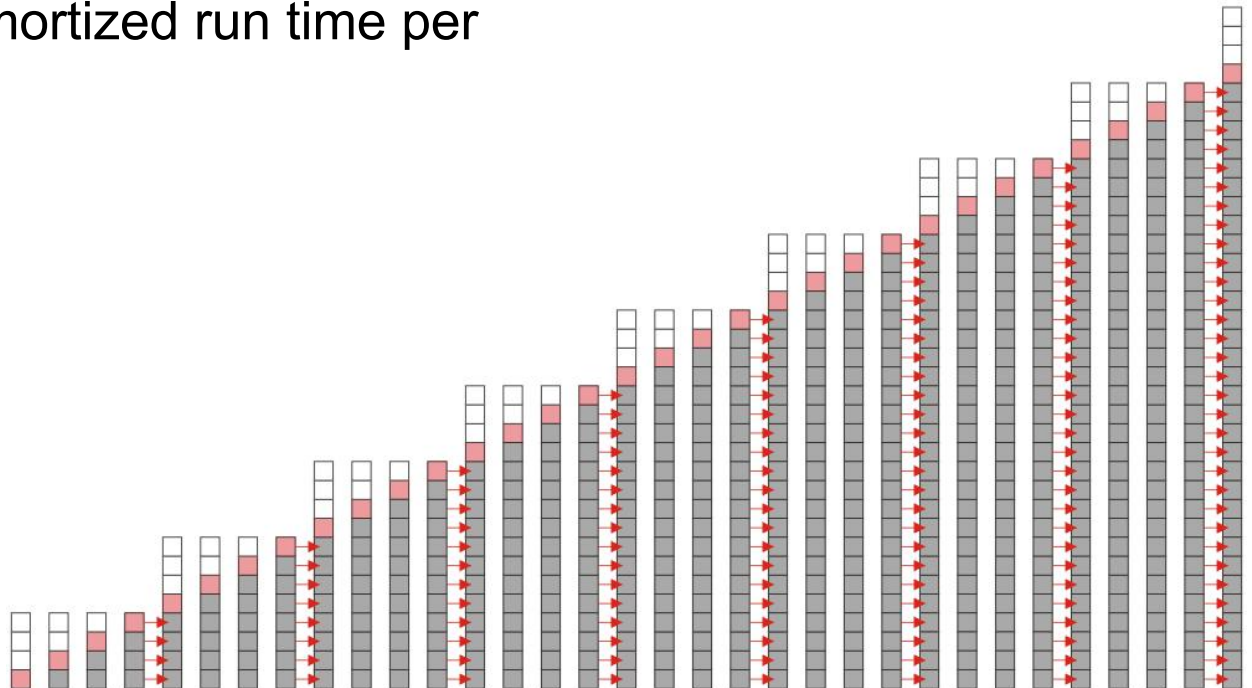


# Array Capacity

Suppose we increase it by a **constant** value  $m$

$$\sum_{k=1}^{n/m} mk = m \sum_{k=1}^{n/m} k = \frac{\frac{n}{m} \left( \frac{n}{m} + 1 \right)}{2} = \frac{n^2}{2m} + \frac{n}{2} = \Theta(n^2)$$

Therefore, the amortized run time per insertion is  $\Theta(n)$



# Array Capacity

Note the difference in worst-case amortized scenarios:

|                                    | Copies<br>per<br>Insertion | Unuse<br>d<br>Memor<br>y |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| Increase by 1                      | $n - 1$                    | 0                        |
| Increase by $m$                    | $n/m$                      | $m - 1$                  |
| Increase by a factor of 2          | 1                          | $n$                      |
| Increase by a factor of $r$<br>> 1 | $1/(r - 1)$                | $(r - 1)n$               |



# Outline

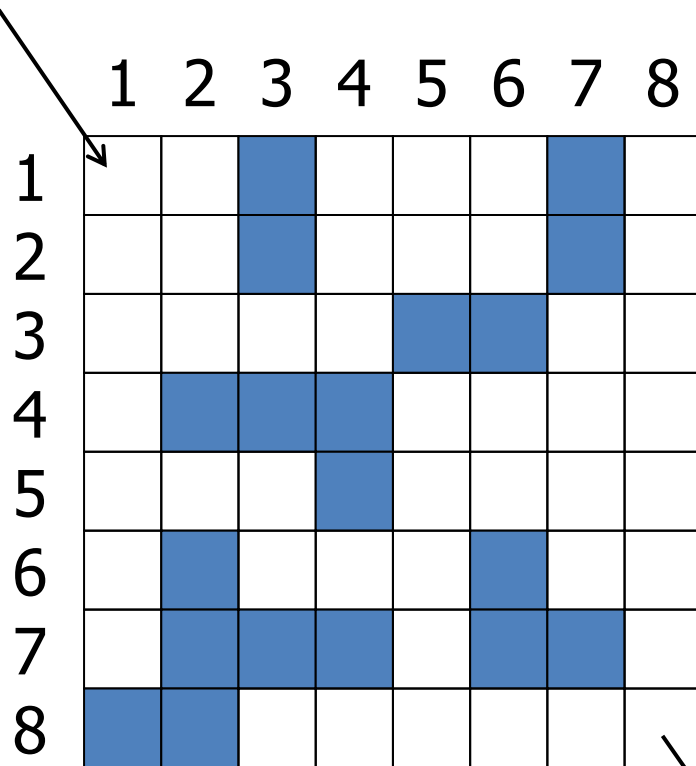
- Stack ADT
- Implementation
- Example applications

# Example: Maze Routing

## Objective:

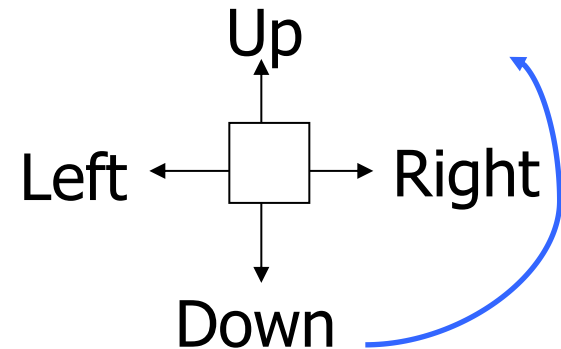
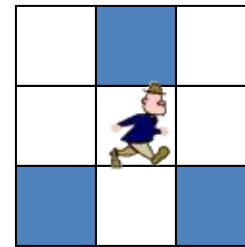
One path from the entrance to the exit

## Entrance



## Directions:

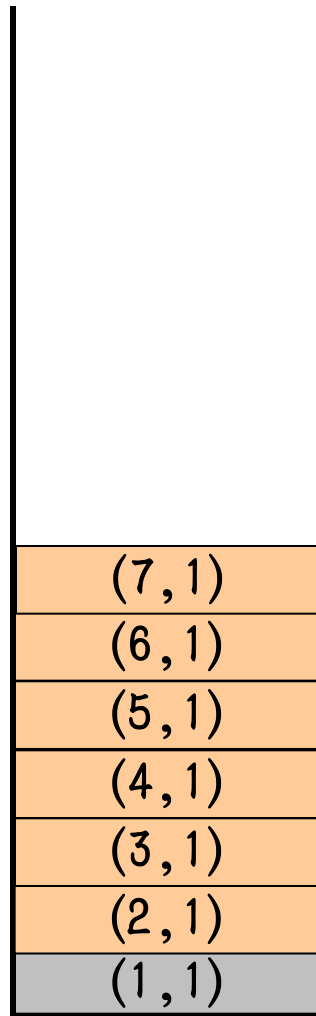
Up(N), Down(S), Left(W), Right(E)




## Rules:

Go down first. If possible, the man can further explore. Otherwise, the man explores the possible next steps in a counterclockwise direction.

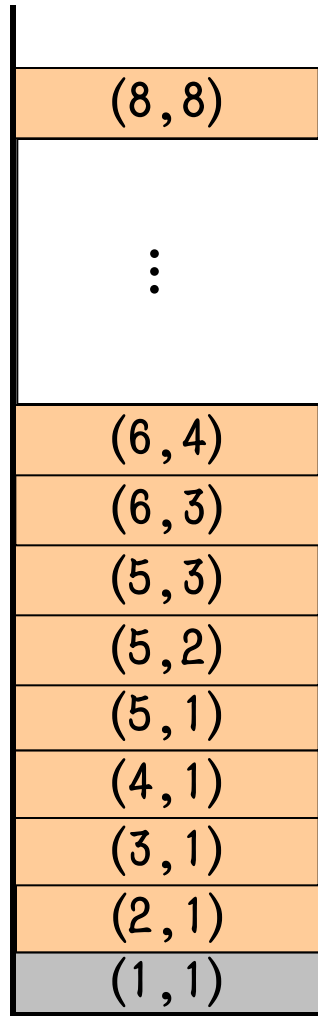
# Example: Maze Routing



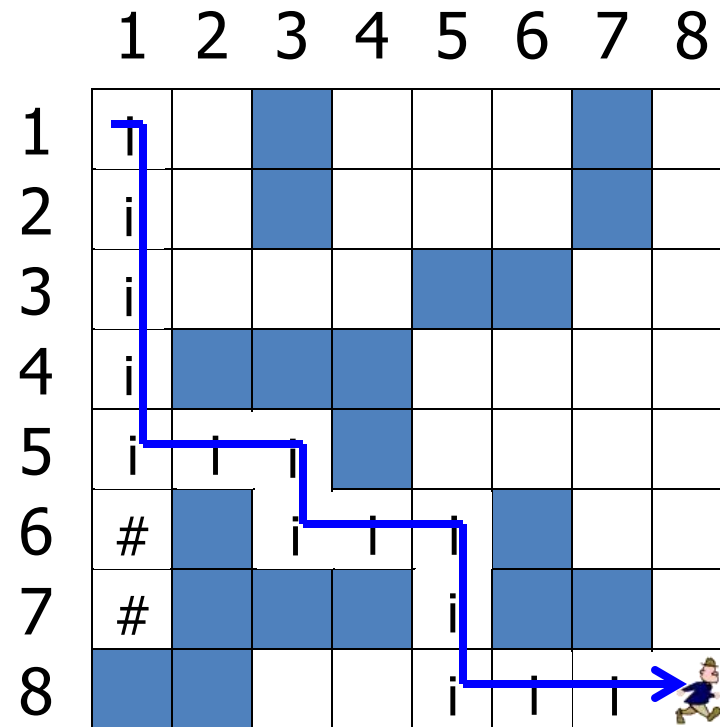
**Stack**

|   | 1   | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | i   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| 2 | i   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| 3 | i   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| 4 | i   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| 5 | i   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| 6 | i   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| 7 |  |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| 8 |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |

# Example: Maze Routing



**Stack**



# Application: Parsing

Most parsing uses stacks

Examples includes:

- Matching tags in XHTML
- In C++, matching
  - parentheses ( ... )
  - brackets, and [ ... ]
  - braces { ... }

# Parsing XHTML

*A markup language* is a means of annotating a document to given context to the text

- The annotations give information about the structure or presentation of the text

The best known example is HTML, or HyperText Markup Language

- We will look at XHTML

# Parsing XHTML

XHTML is made of nested

- *opening tags*, e.g., `<some_identifier>`, and
- matching *closing tags*, e.g., `</some_identifier>`

```
<html>  
  <head><title>Hello</title></head>  
  <body><p>This appears in the <i>browser</i>.</p></body>  
</html>
```

*Nesting* indicates that any closing tag must match the most recent opening tag

# Parsing XHTML

Strategy for parsing XHTML:

- read through the XHTML linearly
- place the opening tags in a stack
- when a closing tag is encountered, check that it matches what is on top of the stack



# Parsing XHTML

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# Parsing XHTML

We are finished parsing, and the stack is empty

Possible errors:

- a closing tag which does not match the opening tag on top of the stack
- a closing tag when the stack is empty
- the stack is not empty at the end of the document

# Parsing C++

Like opening and closing tags, C++ parentheses, brackets, and braces must be similarly nested:

```
void initialize( int *array, int n ) {  
    for ( int i = 0; i < n; ++i ) {  
        array[i] = 0;  
    }  
}
```

# Function calls

```
int a() {  
    b();  
    c();  
    return 0;  
}
```

```
int b() { return 0; }
```

```
int c() { return 0; }
```

```
int main() {  
    a();  
    return 0;  
}
```

# Function calls

|             |  |  |  |
|-------------|--|--|--|
| <b>main</b> |  |  |  |
|-------------|--|--|--|

main() calls a()

|             |          |  |  |
|-------------|----------|--|--|
| <b>main</b> | <b>a</b> |  |  |
|-------------|----------|--|--|

a() calls b()

|             |          |          |  |
|-------------|----------|----------|--|
| <b>main</b> | <b>a</b> | <b>b</b> |  |
|-------------|----------|----------|--|

b() returns

|             |          |  |  |
|-------------|----------|--|--|
| <b>main</b> | <b>a</b> |  |  |
|-------------|----------|--|--|

a() calls c()

|             |          |          |  |
|-------------|----------|----------|--|
| <b>main</b> | <b>a</b> | <b>c</b> |  |
|-------------|----------|----------|--|

c() returns

|             |          |  |  |
|-------------|----------|--|--|
| <b>main</b> | <b>a</b> |  |  |
|-------------|----------|--|--|

a() returns

|             |  |  |  |
|-------------|--|--|--|
| <b>main</b> |  |  |  |
|-------------|--|--|--|



# Function calls

```
int a() {  
    return a();  
}
```

# Function calls

calls a()

|          |  |  |  |
|----------|--|--|--|
| <b>a</b> |  |  |  |
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a() calls a()

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a() calls a()

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| <b>a</b> | <b>a</b> | <b>a</b> | <b>a</b> |
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# Summary

- Stack ADT
  - Push, pop, LIFO
- Implementation
  - Linked list
  - Array
    - How to increase the array capacity
- Example Applications
  - Reverse-Polish Notation
  - Maze Routing

# Standard Template Library

The Standard Template Library (STL) has a *wrapper* class stack with the following declaration:

```
template <typename T>
class stack {
    public:
        stack();                // not quite true...
        bool empty() const;
        int size() const;
        const T & top() const;
        void push( const T & );
        void pop();
};
```



# Standard Template Library

```
#include <iostream>
#include <stack>
using namespace std;
int main() {
    stack<int> istack;

    istack.push( 13 );
    istack.push( 42 );
    cout << "Top: " << istack.top() << endl;
    istack.pop();                // no return value
    cout << "Top: " << istack.top() << endl;
    cout << "Size: " << istack.size() << endl;

    return 0;
}
```



# Standard Template Library

The reason that the stack class is termed a wrapper is because it uses a different container class to actually store the elements

The stack class simply presents the *stack interface* with appropriately named member functions:

- push, pop , and top

