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# Stack

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# Outline

- Stack – concept
- Stack ADT
- Stack operations
- Stack implementations
- Stack applications
- Summary
- Queries?

# Stack

- Last In First Out
- Elements can be added or removed only from one end
- Gives access only to element at the top of data structure

# What is this good for ?

- To store history in a Web browser
- Undo sequence in a any application software or text editor
- Saving local variables during function calls
- Recursions
- Watchlists?

# A Stack

- Definition:
  - An ordered collection of homogenous data items
  - Can be accessed at only one end (the top)
- Operations:
  - Create an empty stack
  - check if it is empty
  - Push: add an element to the top
  - Pop: remove the top element
  - Peek: retrieve the top element(Not the deletion)
  - Destroy : remove all the elements one by one and destroy the data structure



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# The Stack ADT: Value definition

Abstract typedef StackType(ElementType  
ele)

Condition: none

# Stack ADT: Operator definition

## 1. Abstract StackType CreateStack()

Precondition: none

Postcondition: EmptyStack is created

## 2. Abstract StackType PushStack(StackType Stack, ElementType Element)

Precondition: Stack not full or NotFull(Stack)= True

Postcondition: stack= stack + Element at the top

Or Stack= original stack with new Element at the top

# Stack ADT: Operator definition

## 3. Abstract ElementType PopStack(StackType stack)

Precondition: Stack not empty or NotEmpty(Stack)= True

Postcondition: PopStack= element at the top,

Stack = stack - Element at the top

Or Stack= original stack without top Element

## 4. Abstract DestroyStack(StackType Stack)

Precondition: Stack not empty or NotEmpty(Stack)= True

Postcondition: Element from the stack are removed one by one starting from top to bottom.

Empty(Stack)= True



# Stack ADT: Operator definition

## 5. Abstract Boolean NotFull(StackType stack)

Precondition: none

Postcondition: NotFull(Stack)= true if Stack is not full  
NotFull(Stack)= False if Stack is full.

## 6. Abstract Boolean NotEmpty(StackType stack)

Precondition: none

Postcondition: NotEmpty(Stack)= true if Stack is not empty  
 $\sim$ Empty(Stack)= False if Stack is empty.

# Stack ADT: Operator definition

## 7. Abstract ElementType Peep(StackType stack)

Precondition: Stack not empty or NotEmpty(Stack)= True

Postcondition: PeepStack= element at the top,

Stack = original stack

# Exercise: Stacks

—Push(8)

—Push(3)

—Pop()

—Push(2)

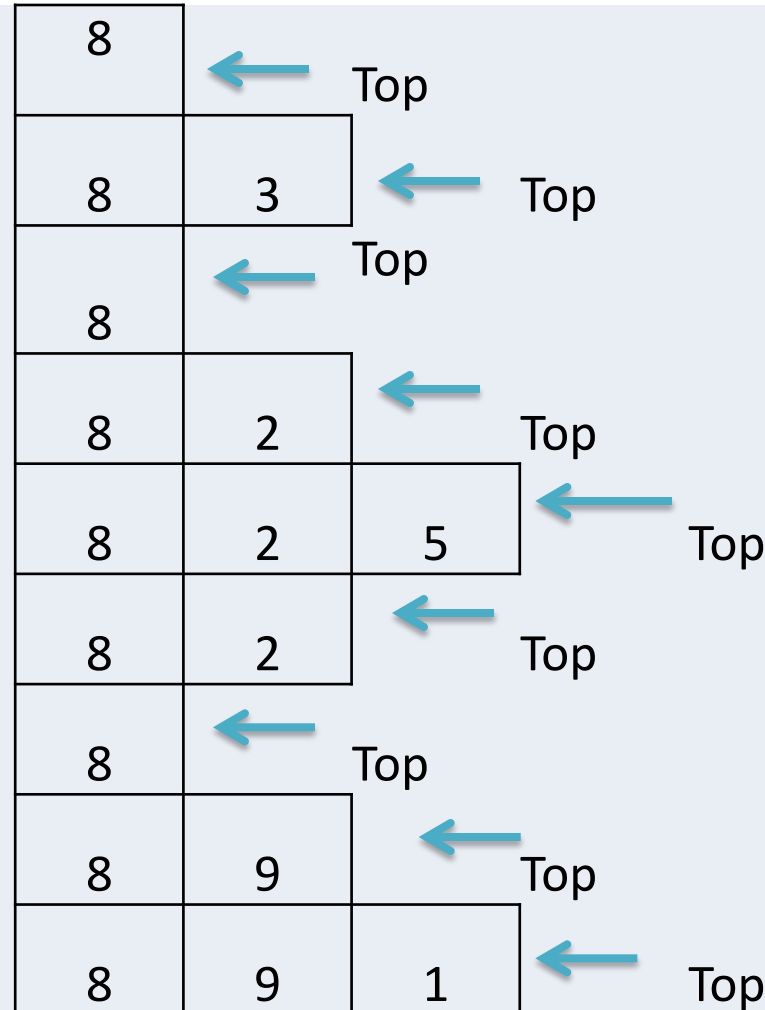
—Push(5)

—Pop()

—Pop()

—Push(9)

—Push(1)



# Implementing a Stack

- At least three different ways to implement a stack
  - array
  - vector
  - linked list
- Which method to use depends on the application
  - what advantages and disadvantages does each implementation have?

# Implementing Stacks: Array

- Advantages -best performance
- Disadvantage - fixed size
- Basic implementation
  - initially empty array
  - field to record where the next data gets placed into
  - if array is full, push() returns false
    - otherwise adds it into the correct spot
  - if array is empty, pop() returns null
    - otherwise removes the next item in the stack

# Implementing a Stack: Vector

- Advantages
  - grows to accommodate any amount of data
  - second fastest implementation when data size is less than vector size
- Disadvantage
  - slowest method if data size exceeds current vector size
    - have to copy everything over and then add data
  - wasted space if anomalous growth
    - vectors only grow in size – they don't shrink
  - can grow to an unlimited size
    - I thought this was an advantage?
- Basic implementation
  - virtually identical to array based version

# Implementing a Stack: Linked List

- Advantages:
  - always constant time to push or pop an element
  - can grow to an infinite size
- Disadvantages
  - the common case is the slowest of all the implementations
- Basic implementation
  - list is initially empty
  - *push()* method adds a new item to the head of the list
  - *pop()* method removes the head of the list

# Writing an algorithm

- Specify algorithm name, list of inputs, data types of the inputs and return data types clearly
- Specify purpose of the algorithm
- Algo should produce at least one Output
- Definiteness: Each step must be clear and unambiguous.
- Should react correctly to all valid and invalid inputs
- Finiteness: If we trace the steps of an algorithm, then for all cases, the algorithm must terminate after a finite number of steps.
- Effectiveness:
- Comment Session: Comment is additional info of program for easily modification. In algorithm comment would be appear between two square bracket []. For example: [ this is a comment of an algorithm ].



# Stack ADT: Array Implementation

## 1. Algorithm StackType CreateStack()

//This Algorithm returns an empty stack- stack

```
{ integer StackTop = -1;  
Return stack;  
}
```

## 2. Algorithm StackType PushStack(StackType Stack, ElementType Element)

// This algorithm accepts a StackType stack and ElementType Element as input and adds 'Element' at the top of 'stack'. StackTop is an integer index that holds current value of StackTop position.

```
{  
    if NotFull(Stack)= True  
        stack[++StackTop]= Element  
    Else "Error Message"
```

# Stack ADT: Array Implementation

## 3. Algorithm ElementType PopStack(StackType stack)

// This algorithm accepts a stack as input and returns 'Element' at the top of 'stack'.

```
{ if NotEmpty(Stack)= True  
Return Stack[StackTop--]  
Else print "Error Message"  
}
```

## 4. Abstract DestroyStack(StackType Stack)

//This algorithm returns all the elements from Stack in LIFO order and destroys the data structure

```
{ if NotEmpty(Stack) = true  
    while(NotEmpty(Stack))  
        print PopStack(Stack)  
    else print "Error Message"
```

# Stack ADT: Array Implementation

## 5. Abstract Boolean NotFull(StackType stack)

// This algorithm returns true if the stack is not full, false otherwise.

```
{ if NotFull(Stack)
    retrun True
else
    return False
}
```

## 6. Abstract Boolean NotEmpty(StackType stack)

// This algorithm returns true if the stack is not empty, false otherwise.

```
{ if NotEmpty(Stack)
    retrun True
else
    return False
}
```

# Stack ADT: Array Implementation

## 7. Abstract ElementType Peek(StackType stack)

//// This algorithm accepts a stack as input and returns 'Element' at the top of 'stack'.

```
{ if NotEmpty(Stack)= True  
  Return Stack[StackTop]  
Else print "Error Message"  
}
```

# Implementing Stacks: Linked List

```
Struct NodeType{  
    ElementType Element;  
    NodeType Next;  
}
```

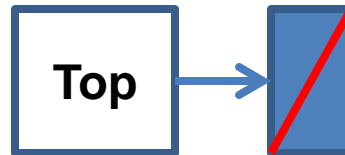
1. Algorithm StackType CreateStack()

//This Algorithm creates and returns an empty stack- pointed by a pointer-Top

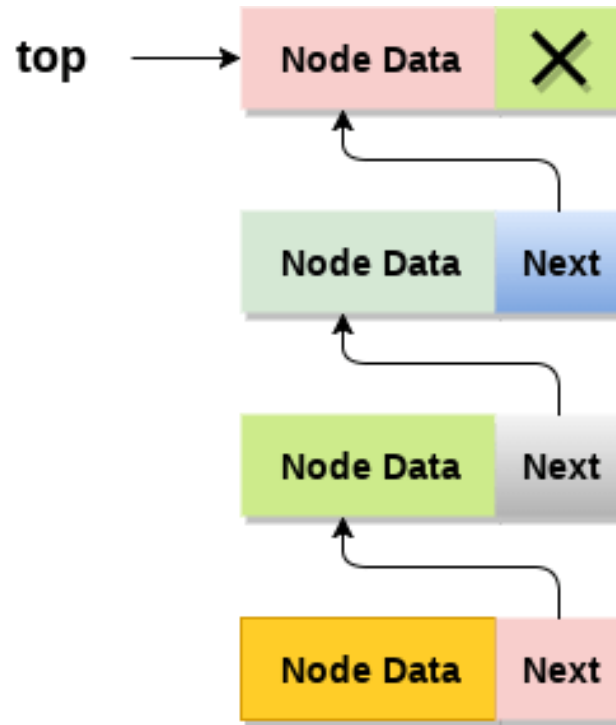
```
{ createNode(Top);
```

```
Top =NULL;
```

```
}
```



# Implementing Stacks: Linked List



**Stack**

# Implementing Stacks: Linked List

## 2. StackType PushStack(StackType Stack, NodeType NewNode)

// This Algorithm adds a NewNode at the top of 'stack'. Top is an pointer that points to the topmost Stack node.

```
{ if Top ==NULL // first element in stack
```

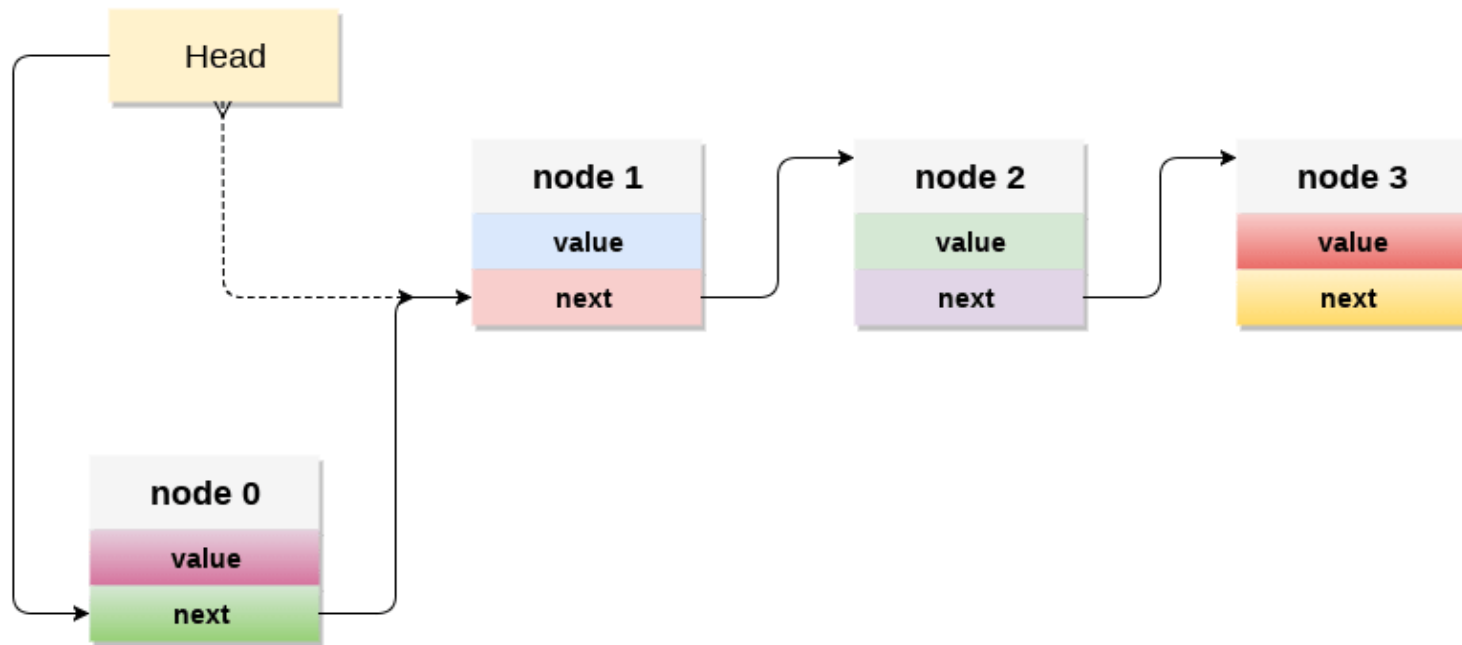
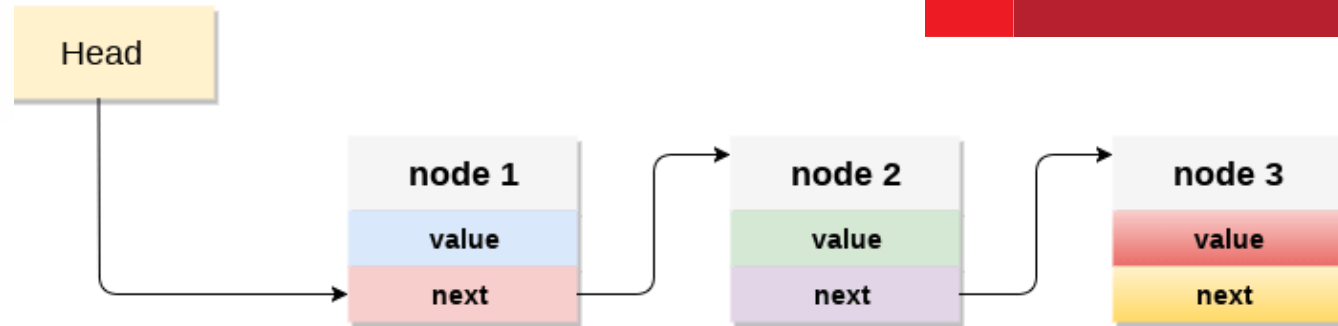
```
    NewNode->Next = NULL;
```

```
    Top=NewNode;
```

```
Else NewNode->Next=Top;// General case
```

```
    Top=NewNode;
```

```
}
```



New Node



# Implementing Stacks: Linked List

## 3. Algorithm ElementType PopStack(StackType stack)

//This algorithm returns value of ElementType stored in topmost node of stack. Temp is a temporary node used in pop process.

```
{ if Top==NULL
    Print "Underflow"
Else
    {
        createNode(Temp);
        Temp=Top;
        Top= Top->next;
        Return(temp->Data);
    }
}
```

# Implementing Stacks: Linked List

## 4. Abstract DestroyStack(StackType Stack)

//This algorithm returns values stored in data structure and free the memory used in data structure implementation.

```
{ { if Top==NULL
    Print "Underflow"
Else   createNode(Temp);
        while(NotEmpty(stack))
        {
            Temp=Top;
            Top= Top->next;
            Return(temp->Data);
        }
}
```

# Implementing Stacks: Linked List

## 5. Abstract ElementType Peep(StackType stack)

//This algorithm returns value of ElementType stored in topmost node of stack.

```
{ if Top==NULL  
    Print "Error Message"  
Else  
    Return(Top->Data);  
}
```

## 6. Abstract DisplayStack(StackType stack)

//This algorithm Prints all the Elements stored in stack. Temp purpose?

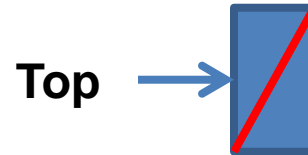
```
{ if Top==NULL
    Print "Error Message"
Else {createNode(Temp)
    Temp=Top;
    While(Temp!=Null)
        Print(Temp->Data);
        Temp= Temp->next;
    }
}
```

# Implementing Stacks: Linked List

- Push(8)
- Push(3)
- Pop()
- Push(2)
- Push(5)
- Pop()
- Peek()
- Peek()
- Pop()
- Push(9)
- Push(1)

# Implementing Stacks: Linked List

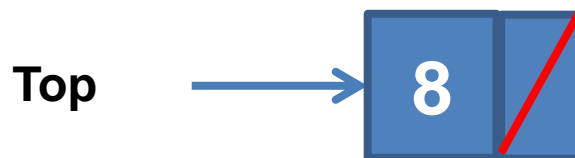
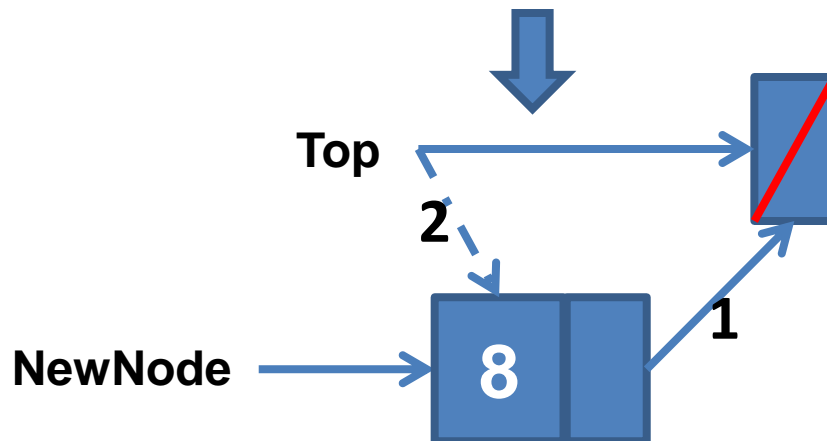
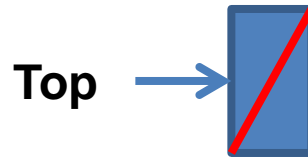
- Create empty stack



Push(8)

# Implementing Stacks: Linked List

Push(8)



# Stack Applications

- Stacks are a very common data structure
  - Compilers(parsing data between delimiters/ brackets)
  - operating systems (program stack)
  - virtual machines
    - manipulating numbers
      - pop 2 numbers off stack, do work (such as add)
      - push result back on stack and repeat
  - Algorithms
    - backtracking
  - artificial intelligence
    - finding a path



# Stack applications

# 1. Parentheses Matching Algorithm

**Algorithm Boolean** ParenMatch( $X, n$ ):

**Input:** An array  $X$  of  $n$  tokens, each of which is either a grouping symbol, a variable, an arithmetic operator, or a number

**Output:** **true** if and only if all the grouping symbols in  $X$  match

Let  $S$  be an empty stack

**for**  $i=0$  to  $n-1$  **do**

**if**  $X[i]$  is an opening grouping symbol **then**

$S.push(X[i])$

**else if**  $X[i]$  is a closing grouping symbol **then**

**if**  $S.isEmpty()$  **then**

**return false** {nothing to match with}

**if**  $S.pop()$  does not match the type of  $X[i]$  **then**

**return false** {wrong type}

**if**  $S.isEmpty()$  **then**

**return true** {every symbol matched}

**else**

**return false** {some symbols were never matched}

# Parentheses Matching Algorithm

i/p string= {(())}					
i/p= {, push	i/p= (, push	i/p= ), pop; ToS=(, match= true	i/p= (, push	i/p= ), pop; ToS=(, match= true	i/p= }, pop; ToS= {, match= true
step 1	Step 2	step 3	Step 4	step 5	step 6

After step 6, stack is empty. So given string of parenthesis is balanced



## 2. Infix to postfix

- Infix: operand operator operand  
– E.g  $a+b$
- Postfix: operand operand operator  
– E.g.  $a\ b\ +$
- Operator Precedence
  - $\wedge$  - exponential operator
  - $*, /$
  - $+, -$
- Infix to postfix expression with parenthesis

## 2. Infix to postfix

- Infix to postfix expression with parenthesis

$((a+b)*(c/d))^e$

$((ab+ * cd/) ^ e)$

$((ab+cd/ *) ^ e)$

$ab+cd/*e^$

## 2. Infix to postfix

- Infix to postfix expression with parenthesis

$$(((A + B) * C) - ((D - E) * (F + G)))$$

$$((A B + * C) - (D E - * F G + ))$$

$$(A B + C *) - (DE - FG + *)$$

$$A B + C * D E - F G + * -$$

## Infix to postfix

- Infix to postfix expression without parenthesis

$A + B * C - D - E * F + G$

$A + BC^* - D - EF^* + G$

$ABC^*+ - D - EF^* + G$

$ABC^*+D- - EF^* + G$

$ABC^*+D-EF^*- + G$

$ABC^*+D-EF^*-G+$



# Infix to postfix process without parenthesis

- Create an empty stack called opstack for keeping operators. Create an empty list for output.
- Scan the input string from left to right.
  - If the input is an operand, append it to the end of the output list.
  - If the token is an operator,  $*$ ,  $/$ ,  $+$ , or  $-$ , push it on the opstack. However, first remove any operators already on the opstack that have higher or equal precedence and append them to the output list.
- When the input expression has been completely processed, check the opstack. Any operators still on the stack can be removed and appended to the end of the output list.

# A + B \* C - D - E \* F + G

Input char	Opstack	Output
A		A
+	+	A
B	+	AB
*	+*	AB
C	+*	ABC
-	-	ABC*+
D	-	ABC*+D
-	-	ABC*+D-
E	-	ABC*+D-E
*	-*	ABC*+D-E
F	-*	ABC*+D-EF
+	+	ABC*+D-EF*-
G	+	ABC*+D-EF*-G
NULL	EMPTYSTACK	ABC*+D-EF*-G+

- SOLVE :  $M * N + T^Q / F * A + B$

$$MN * TQ^F / A * + B +$$

# Infix to postfix process with parenthesis

Let, X is an arithmetic expression written in infix notation. This algorithm finds the equivalent postfix expression Y.

1. Scan X from left to right and repeat Step 2 to 5 for each element of X until the Stack is empty.
2. If an operand is encountered, add it to Y
3. If a left parenthesis is encountered, push it onto Stack.
4. If an operator is encountered ,then:
  - Repeatedly pop from Stack and add to Y each operator (on the top of Stack) which has the same precedence as or higher precedence than operator until an opening parenthesis is encountered.
  - Add operator to Stack.
5. If a right parenthesis is encountered ,then:
  - Repeatedly pop from Stack and add to Y each operator (on the top of Stack) until a left parenthesis is encountered.
  - Remove the left Parenthesis.
6. END.

Input: input expression:( ((A + B) \* C) - ((D - E) \* (F + G)))

Input char	stack	Output
(	(	
(	((	
(	((	
A	((	A
+	(((+	A
B	(((+	AB
)	((	AB+
*	((*	AB+
C	((*	AB+C
)	(	AB+C*
-	(-	AB+C*
(	(-	AB+C*
(	(-((	AB+C*
D	(-((	AB+C*D
-	(-((-	AB+C*D
E	(-((-	AB+C*DE
)	(-	AB+C*DE-
*	(-(*	AB+C*DE-
(	(-(*	AB+C*DE-
F	(-(*	AB+C*DE-F
+	(-(*+	AB+C*DE-F
G	(-(*+	AB+C*DE-FG
)	(-(*	AB+C*DE-FG+
)	(-	AB+C*DE-FG+*
)	EMPTY	AB+C*DE-FG+*-

## 3. Evaluation of postfix expression

- Create a stack for storing operands
- Scan the input expression from left to right
  - If the element is operand, push it onto the stack
  - If the element is operator, pop two operands, evaluate and push the result onto the stack
- If the expression is over, the stack contains the final answer

Input: input expression: AB+C\*DE-FG+\*-

e.g. A=2, B=3, C=1, D=4, E=5, F=7, G=8

Input char	stack
2	2
3	2, 3
+	(2+3)=5
1	5, 1
*	(5*1)= 5
4	5,4
5	5,4,5
-	5,-1
7	5,-1,7
8	5,-1,7,8
+	5,-1,15
*	5,-15
-	20

## 4. Reverse a string using Stack

- 1) Create an empty stack.
- 2) One by one push all characters of string to stack.
- 3) One by one pop all characters from stack and put them back to string.



## 5. Check if a string is palindrome

- 1) Push the input string onto the stack
- 2) POP characters ONE by one from stack and compare with string characters from left to right
- 3) If all comparisons are true, the string is palindrome

## 6. Recursion

- Definition: calling the same function again directly or indirectly
- Concept: represent a problem in terms of one or more smaller problems, and add one or more base conditions that stop the recursion.
- The maximal number of nested calls (including the first one) is called *recursion depth*.

## 4. Recursion

Self study:

- Recursive Vs iterative implementation

# Recursive function call

- The current function is paused.
- The execution context associated with it is remembered in a special data structure called *execution context stack*.
- The nested call executes.
- After it ends, the old execution context is retrieved from the stack, and the outer function is resumed from where it stopped.

# Recursive function call

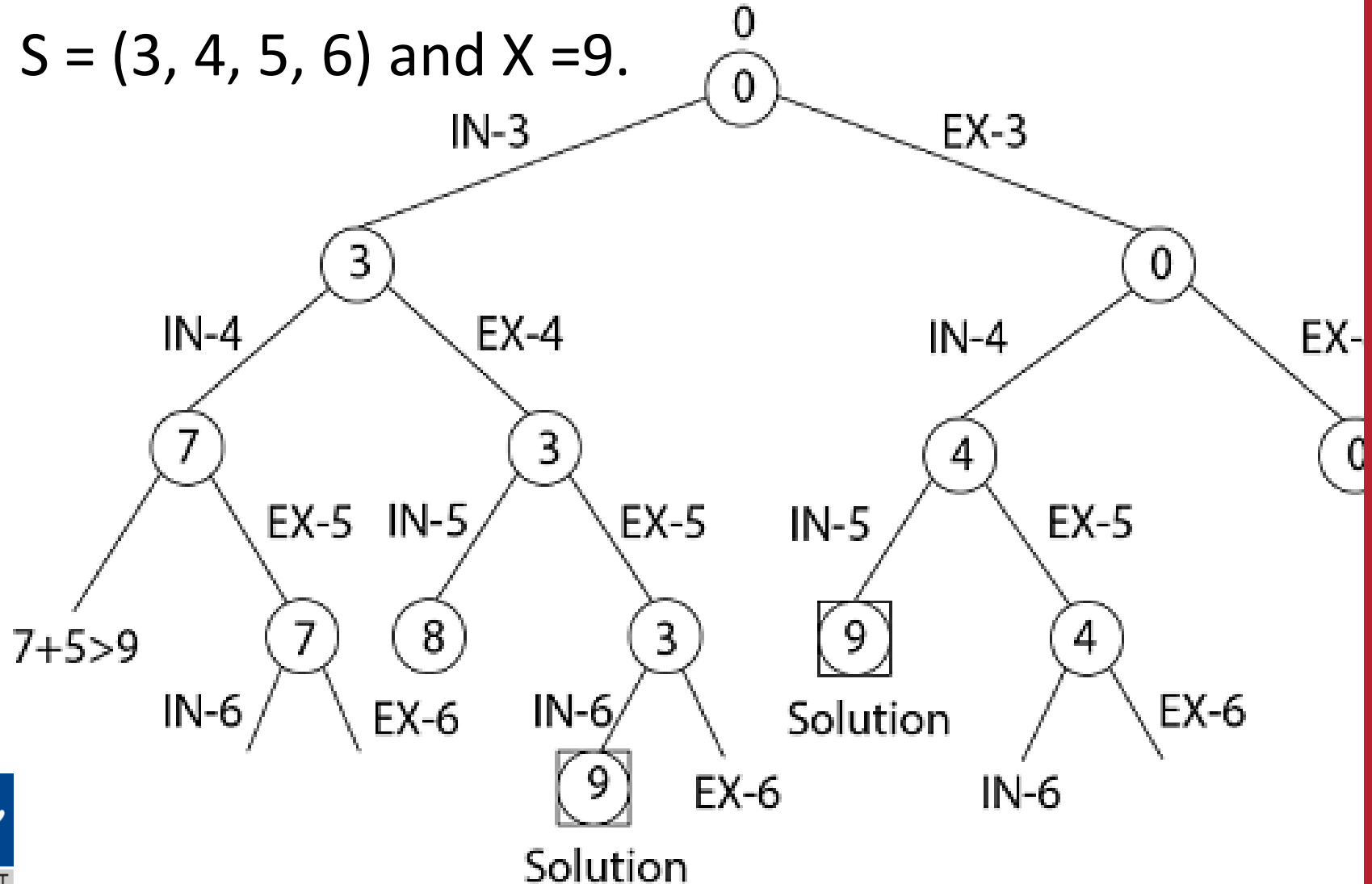
- In each recursive call, there is need to save the
  - current values of parameters,
  - local variables and
  - the return address (the address where the control has to return from the call).
- Also, as a function calls to another function, first its arguments, then the return address and finally space for local variables is pushed onto the stack.

# Backtracking

- Backtracking is an algorithmic-technique for solving problems recursively by trying to build a solution incrementally, one piece at a time, removing those solutions that fail to satisfy the constraints of the problem at any point of time.
- Uses stack for storing solution path

# Sum of subsets Backtracking

- $S = (3, 4, 5, 6)$  and  $X = 9$ .



Queries?



Thank you!