What is a Stack?

Stack is a data structure that stores items in a Last-In/First-Out manner.

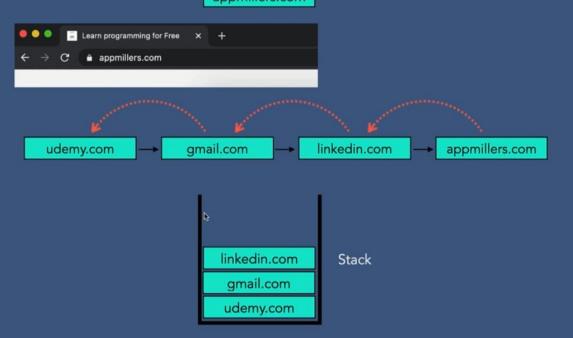






Why do we need Stack?

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Stack Operations

- Create Stack

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- Push
- Pop
- Peek
- isEmpty
- isFull
- deleteStack

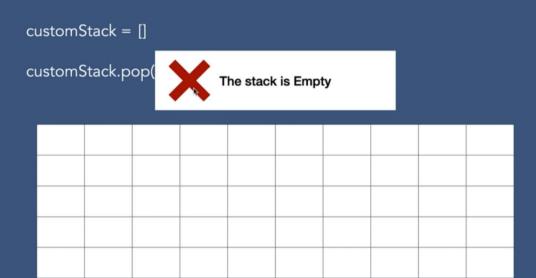
Push Method

customStack = [1,2,3,4]

customStack.push(4)

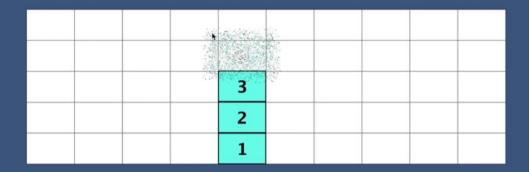
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Pop Method



Pop Method

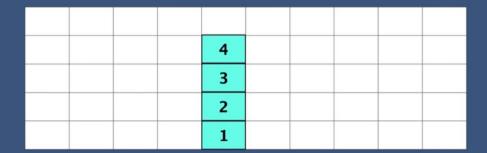
customStack = [1,2,3]customStack.pop() \longrightarrow 4



Peek Method

customStack = [1,2,3,4]

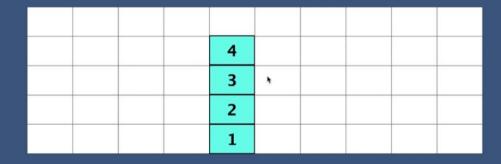
customStack.peek() — 4



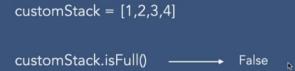
isEmpty Method

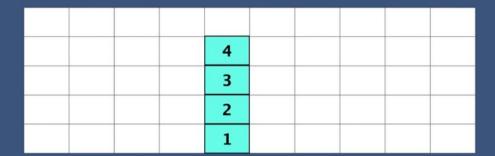
customStack = [1,2,3,4]

 $customStack.isEmpty() \hspace{0.2in} \longrightarrow \hspace{0.2in} False$



isFull Method

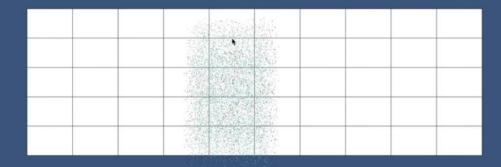




Delete Method

customStack = [1,2,3,4]

customStack.delete()



Stack Creation - Array vs Linked List

Stack using Array

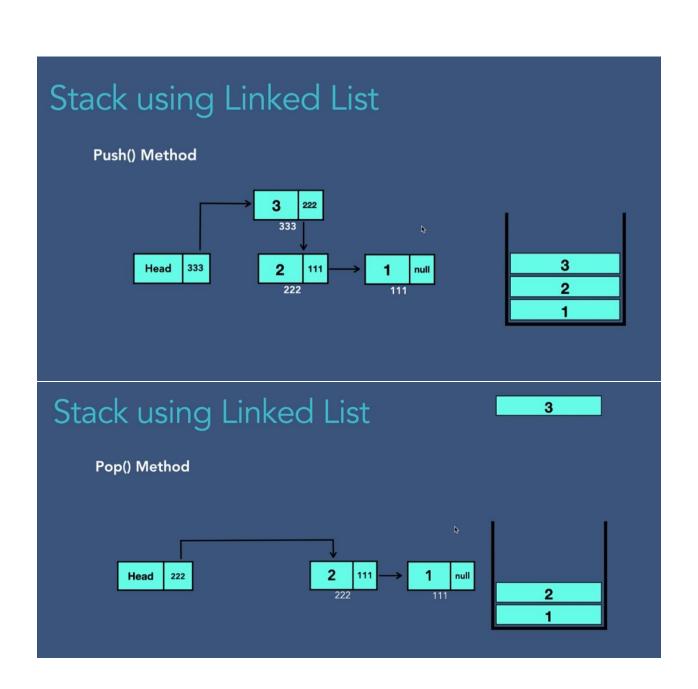
- Easy to implement
- Fixed size

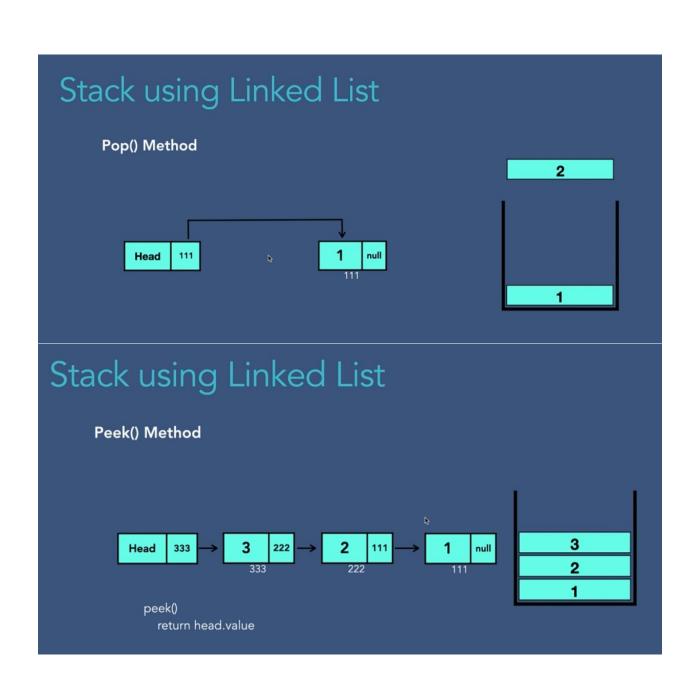
Stack using Linked List

- Variable size
- Implementation is not easy

Time and Space Complexity of Stack using Array

| Stack | Time complexity | Space complexity |
|---------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Create Stack | O(1) | O(n) |
| Push | O(1) | O(1) |
| Рор | O(1) | ► O(1) |
| Peek | O(1) | O(1) |
| isEmpty | O(1) | O(1) |
| Delete Entire Stack | O(1) | O(1) |

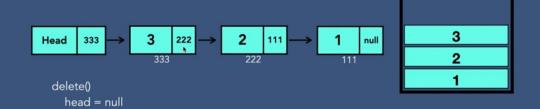






Stack using Linked List

delete() Method



Time and Space Complexity of Stack using Linked List

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| Delete Entire Stack | O(1) | O(1) | |

When to Use/Avoid Stack

Use:

- LIFO functionality
- The chance of data corruption is minimum

Avoid:

- Random access is not possible

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