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### **Algorithms and Data Structures**

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# **Problem Solving**

How to Solve Problems





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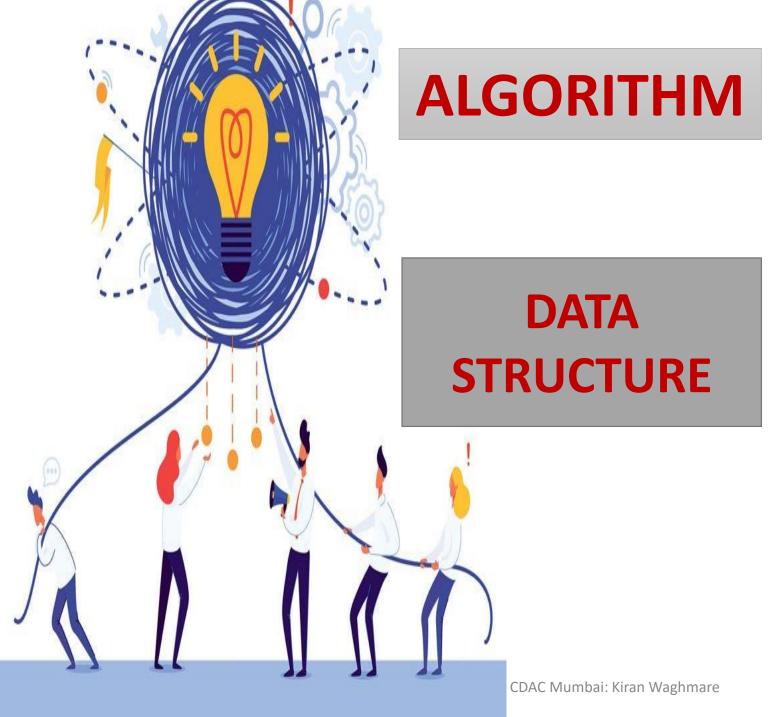
• Problem solving involves taking on challenges and finding ways to resolve them. It's a process that typically includes both convergent (analytical, logical thinking) and divergent (creative thinking) approaches. Problem solving requires creativity when traditional approaches fail or when new solutions need to be developed.

#### Steps in problem solving:

- Identify the Problem:
  - Define the problem clearly. This can include gathering data or asking why a problem exists.
- Generate Possible Solutions:
  - Use creative thinking to generate many potential solutions without immediately judging them.
- Evaluate Solutions:
  - Weigh the pros and cons of each potential solution. This is where critical thinking becomes important.
- Choose the Best Solution:
  - Based on the evaluation, select the most viable solution.
- Implement the Solution:
  - Put the solution into action, monitoring it to see if it works.
- Review:
  - Reflect on the effectiveness of the solution and adapt if necessary.

## **Logical Real life Problem**

- 1. Travelling from Mumbai to Goa
- 2. Criteria for Marriage
- 3. ATM money withdrawal
- 4. Online Money transfer
- 5. Online shopping





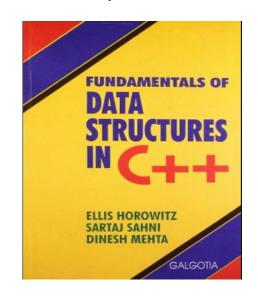
## Module 2: Algorithms and Data Structures

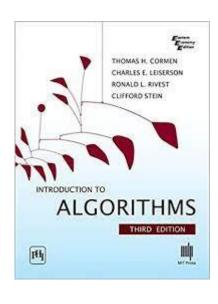
#### Text Book:

Fundamentals of Data Structures in C++ by Horowitz, Sahani & Mehta

#### • Topics:

- 1.Problem Solving & Computational Thinking
- 2.Introduction to Data Structures & Recursion
- 3.Stacks
- 4.Queues
- 5.Linked List Data Structures
- 6.Trees & Applications
- 7.Introduction to Algorithms
- 8.Searching and Sorting
- 9.Hash Functions and Hash Tables
- 10.Graph & Applications
- 11.Algorithm Designs





## Agenda

- Problem Solving & Computational Thinking
- Algorithm & Data Structure

OODesign: ADTs

#### Recursion

Base condition

Direct & indirect recursion

Memory allocation

**Pros and Cons** 

Complexity analysis

## **Computational Thinking: Researcher**

Niklaus Wirth



**Linus Torvalds** 





# Algorithms are Everywhere

- Search Engines
- GPS navigation
- Self-Driving Cars
- E-commerce
- Banking
- Medical diagnosis
- Robotics
- Algorithmic trading
- and so on ...

# **Intelligent Computational Systems**

"Big data" will allow us to put the "smarts" into everything ...

- Smart homes
- Smart cars
- Smart health
- Smart robots
- Smart crowds and humancomputer systems
- Smart interaction (virtual and augmented reality)
- Smart discovery (exploiting the data deluge)





# Why Data Structures?

- Data is just the raw material for information, analytics, business intelligence, advertising, etc
- Computational efficient ways of analyzing, storing, searching, modeling data
- For the purpose of this course, need for efficient data structures comes down to:
  - Linear search does not scale for querying large databases
  - N<sup>2</sup> processing or N<sup>2</sup> storage infeasible
  - Smart data structures offer an intelligent tradeoff:
  - Perform near-linear preprocessing so that queries can be answered in much better than linear time

## What is Computational Thinking?

Computational thinking is a problem solving process that includes:

#### Decomposition:

Breaking down data, processes, or problems into smaller, manageable parts.

#### Pattern Recognition:

Observing patterns, trends, and regularities in data.

#### Abstraction:

- Identifying the general principles that generate these patterns.
- This involves filtering out the details we do not need in order to solve a problem.

### Algorithm Design:

Developing the step by step instructions for solving this and similar problems.

### **Definition**

#### • Data:

Collection of Raw facts.

### Algorithm:

 Outline, the essence of a computational procedure, step-bystep instructions.

### Program:

An implementation of an algorithm in some programming language

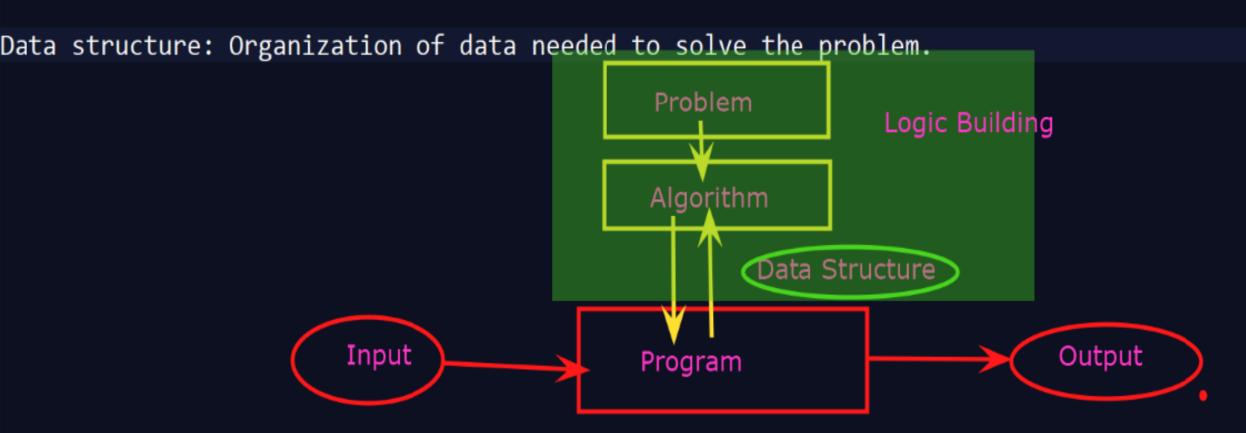
#### Data Structure:

- Organization of data needed to solve the problem.
- The programmatic way of storing data so that data can be used efficiently

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Program:An implementation of an algorithm in some programming language.



## Dataflow of an Algorithm

#### Problem:

 A problem can be a real-world problem or any instance from the realworld problem for which we need to create a program or the set of instructions. The set of instructions is known as an algorithm.

### Algorithm:

 An algorithm will be designed for a problem which is a step by step procedure.

### • Input:

• After designing an algorithm, the required and the desired inputs are provided to the algorithm.

### Processing unit:

 The input will be given to the processing unit, and the processing unit will produce the desired output.

### • Output:

• The output is the outcome or the result of the program.

## **Algorithm**

• An <u>algorithm</u> is a sequence of unambiguous instructions/operations for solving a problem, for obtaining a required output for any legitimate input in a finite amount of time.

# What is an Algorithm?

- An algorithm is a process or a set of rules required to perform calculations or some other problem-solving operations especially by a computer.
- The formal definition of an algorithm is that it contains the **finite set of instructions** which are being carried in a specific order to perform the specific task.
- It is not the complete program or code; it is just a solution (logic) of a problem, which can be represented either as an informal description using a Flowchart or Pseudocode.

## **Algorithm Design Strategies**

- Brute force
- Divide and conquer
- Decrease and conquer
- Transform and conquer
- Greedy approach
- Dynamic programming
- Backtracking and branch and bound
- Space and time tradeoffs

Invented or applied by many genius in CS

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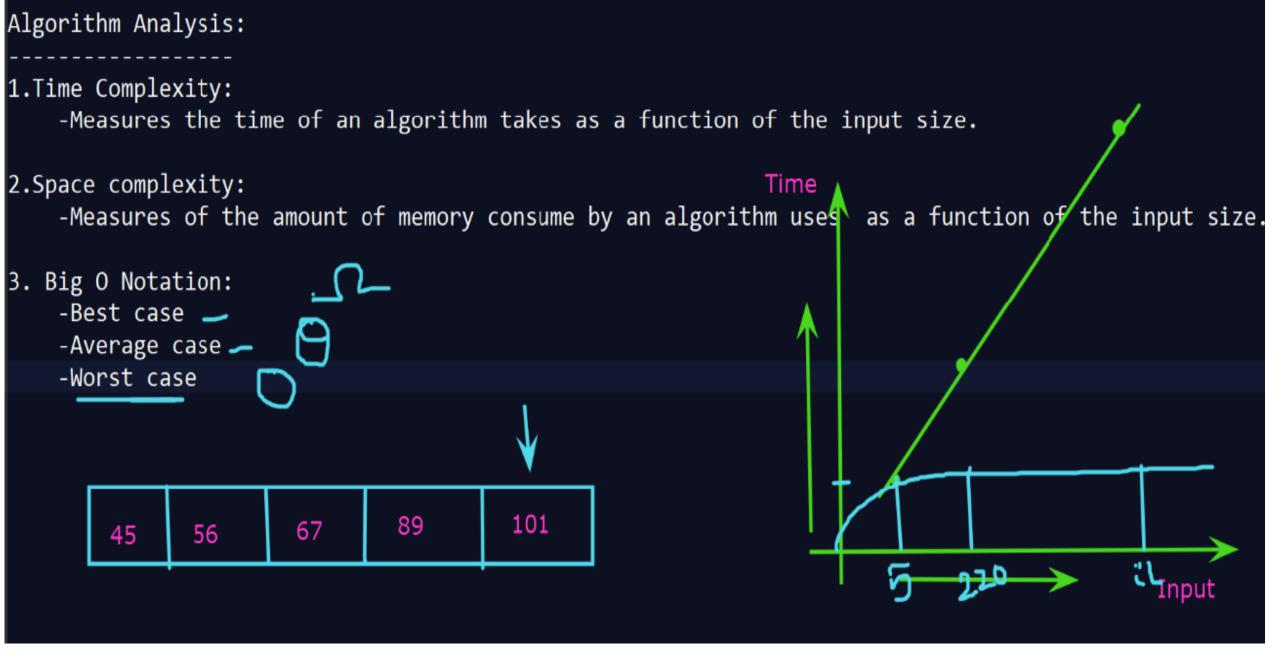
## **Analysis of Algorithms**

- An algorithm is said to be efficient and fast, if it takes less time to execute and consumes less memory space.
- The performance of an algorithm is measured on the basis of following properties:
- 1.Time Complexity
- 2. Space Complexity

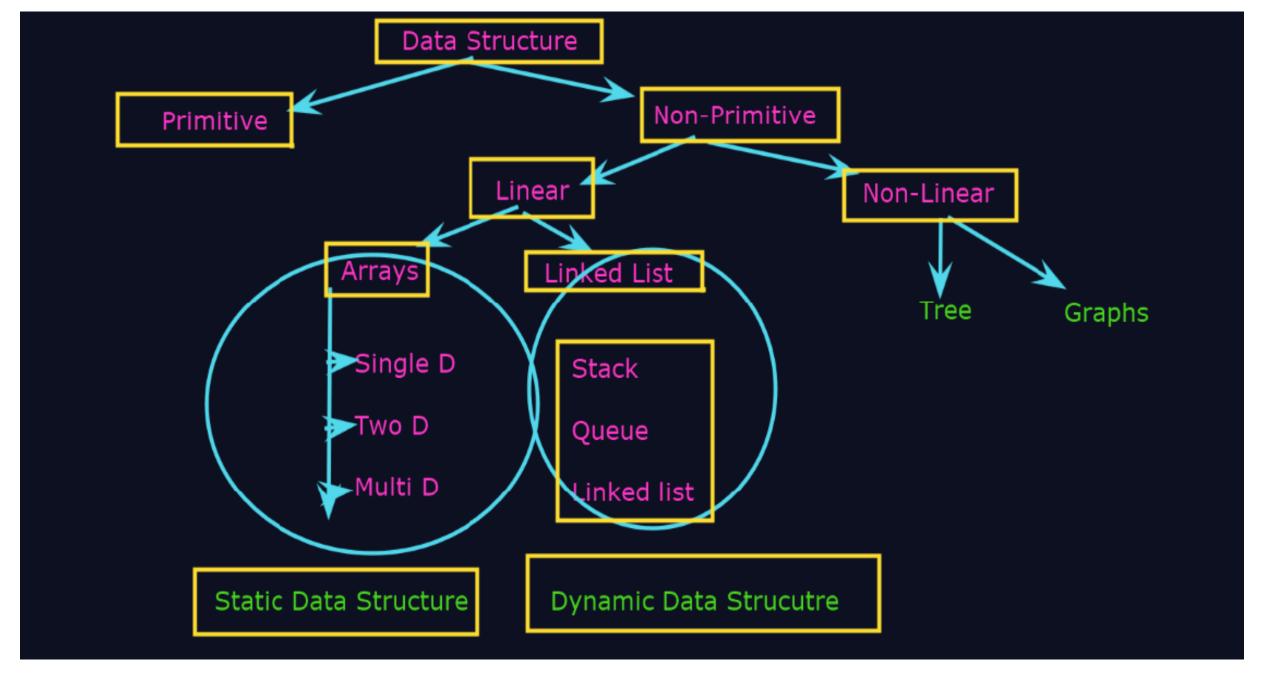
## Some Well-known Computational Problems

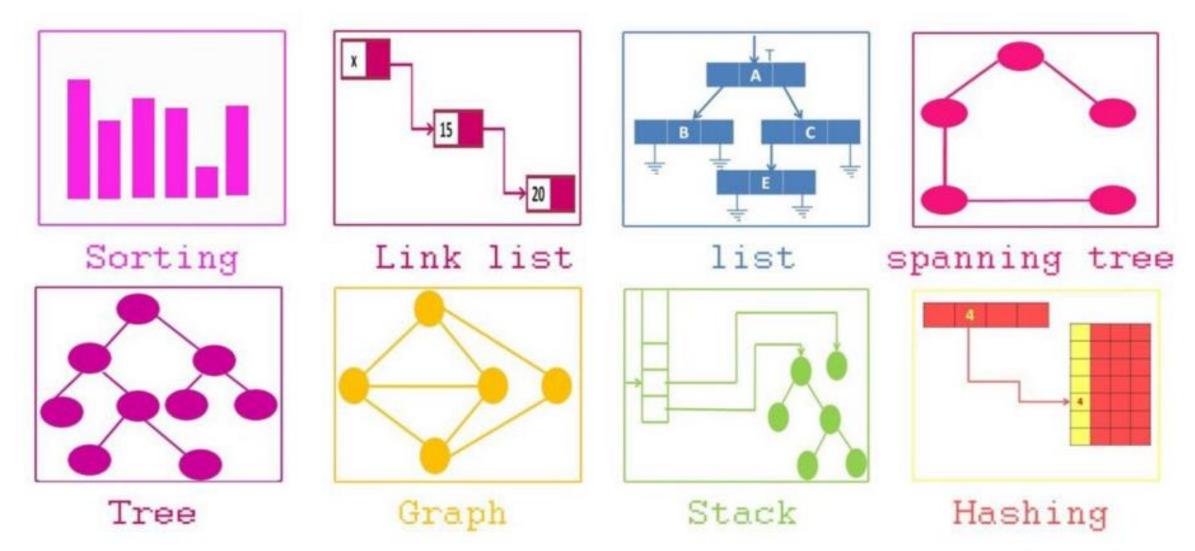
- Sorting
  - •e.g., school days...height wise, now rotation wise
- Searching
  - •E.g. read books. Alexa, google
- Shortest paths in a graph
- Minimum spanning tree
- Primality testing
- Traveling salesman problem
- Knapsack problem
- Chess
- Towers of Hanoi

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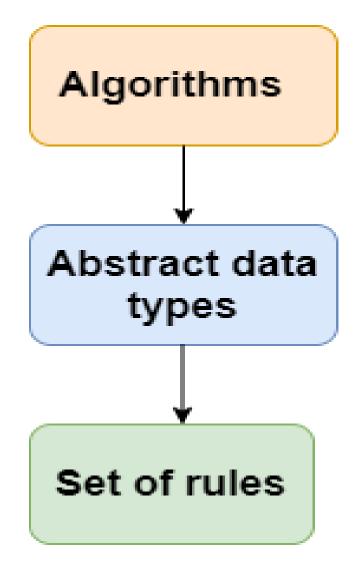




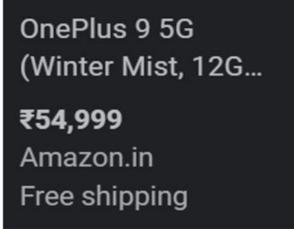
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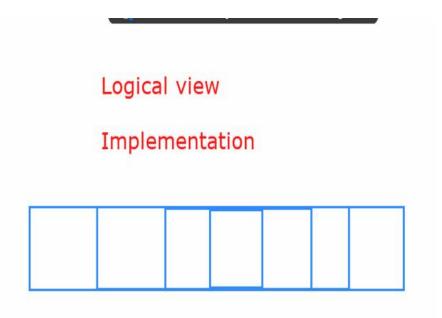
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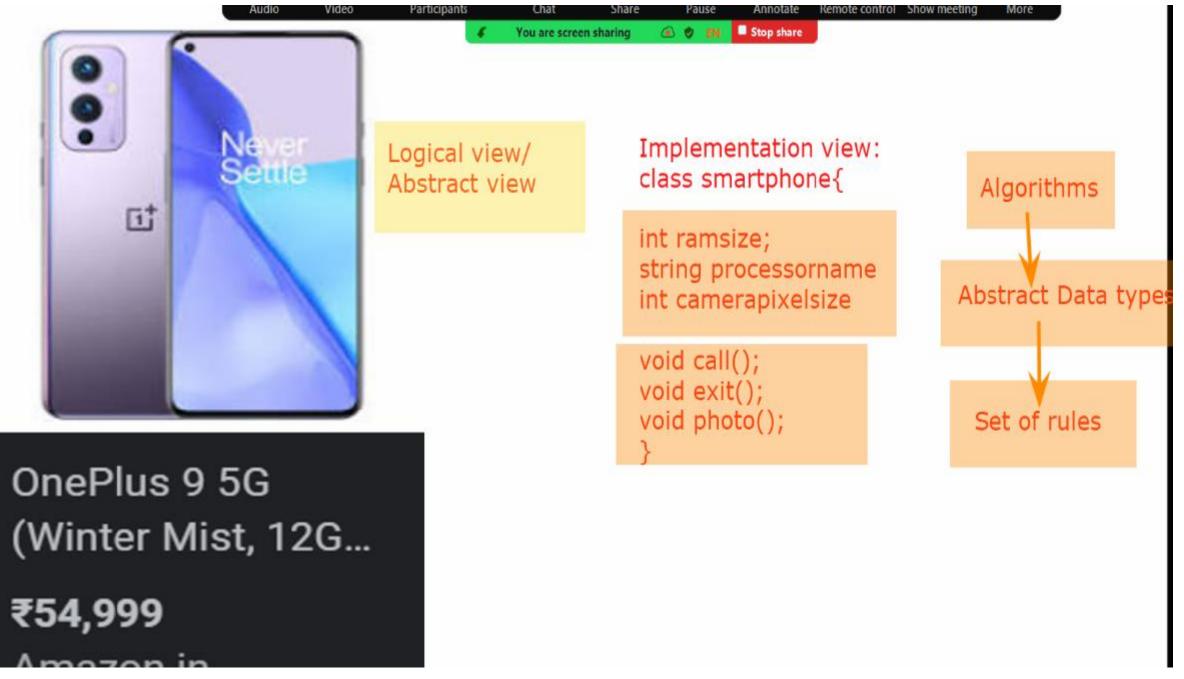






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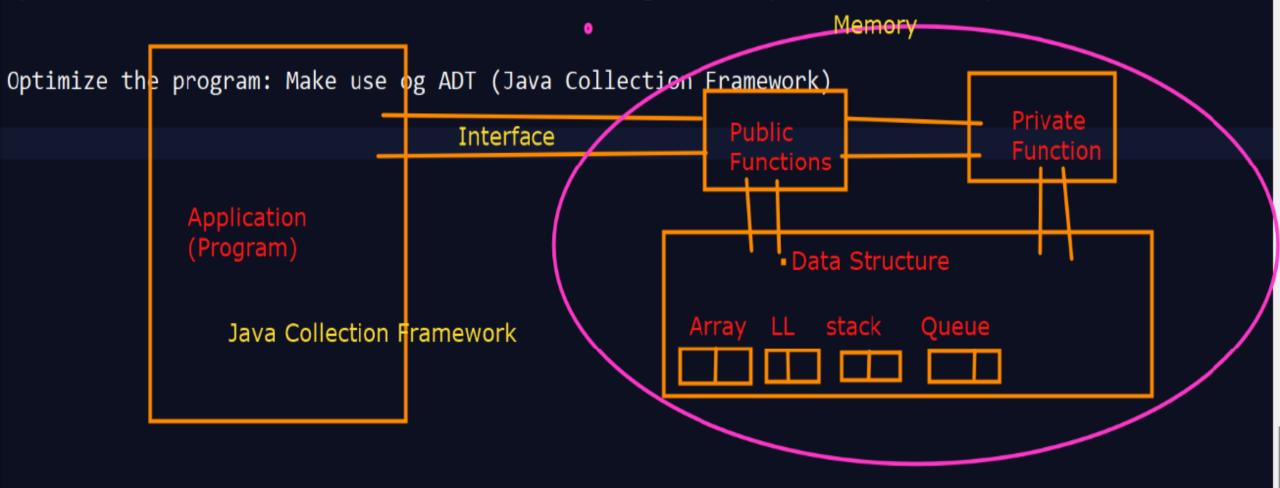
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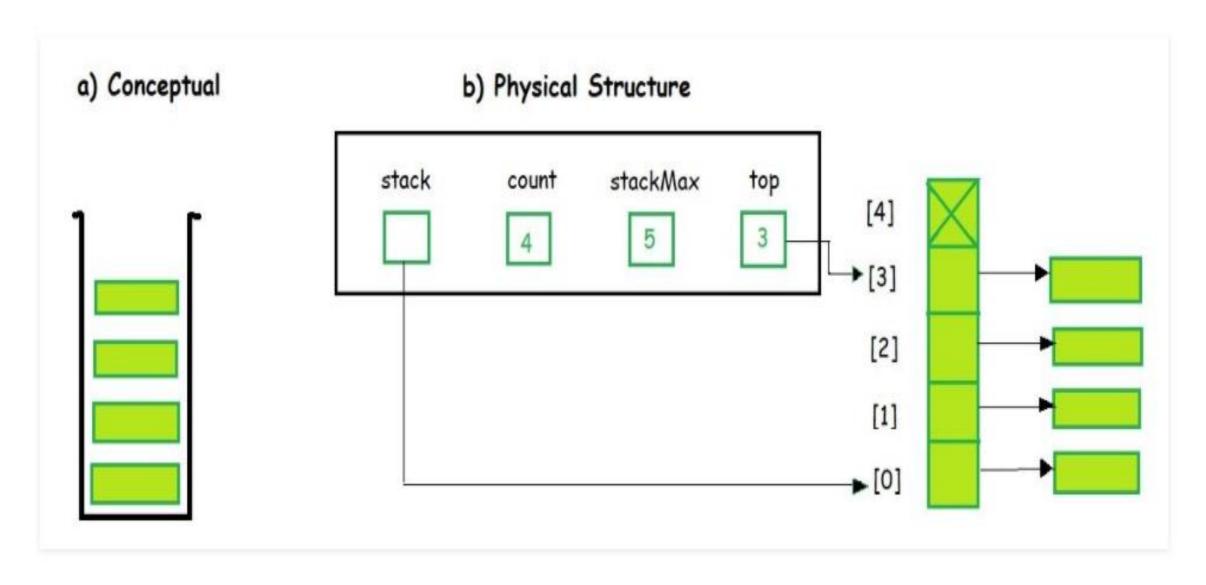
### **ADT**

- Abstract Data type (ADT) is a type (or class) for objects whose behaviour is defined by a set of value and a set of operations.
- The definition of ADT only mentions what operations are to be performed but not how these operations will be implemented.
- It does not specify how data will be organized in memory and what algorithms will be used for implementing the operations.
- It is called "abstract" because it gives an implementation-independent view.
- The process of providing only the essentials and hiding the details is known as abstraction.
- All primitive data types support basic operations,+,-,\*,/ etc

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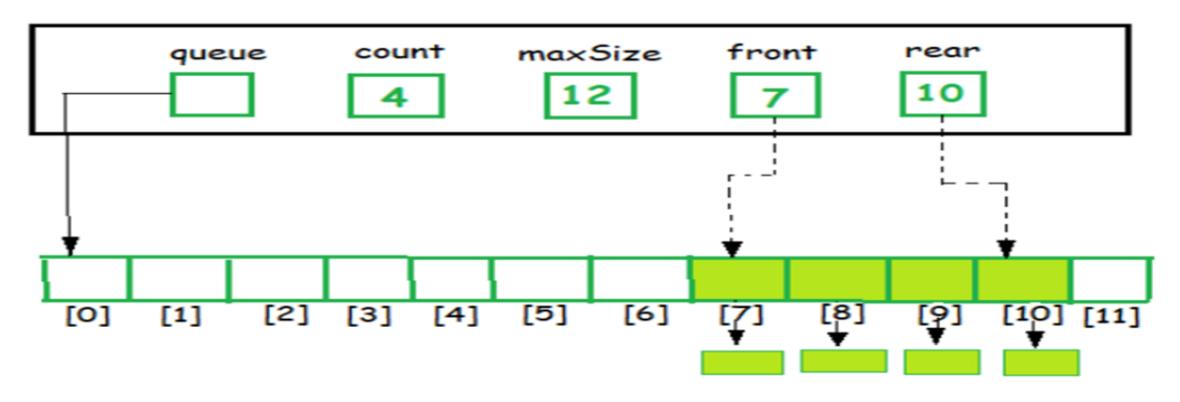
### **Stack ADT**



## **Queue ADT**



#### a) Conceptual



### b) Physical Structures

Let us see some operations of those mentioned ADT -

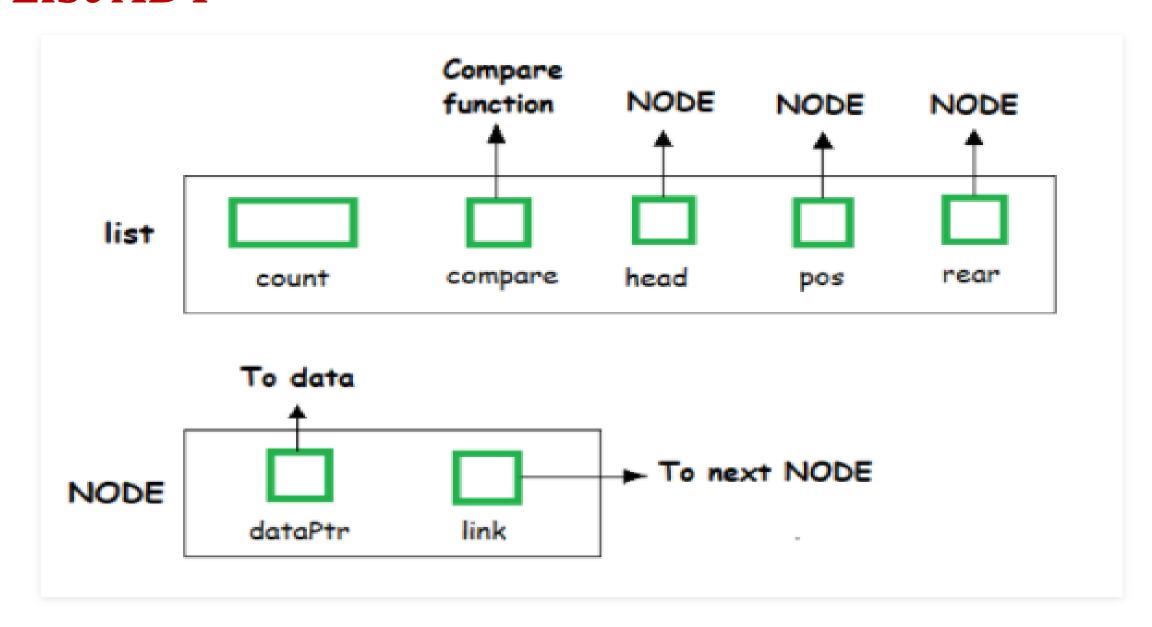
#### Stack -

- isFull(), This is used to check whether stack is full or not
- isEmpry(), This is used to check whether stack is empty or not
- o push(x), This is used to push x into the stack
- oppop(), This is used to delete one element from top of the stack
- peek(), This is used to get the top most element of the stack
- size(), this function is used to get number of elements present into the stack

#### Queue -

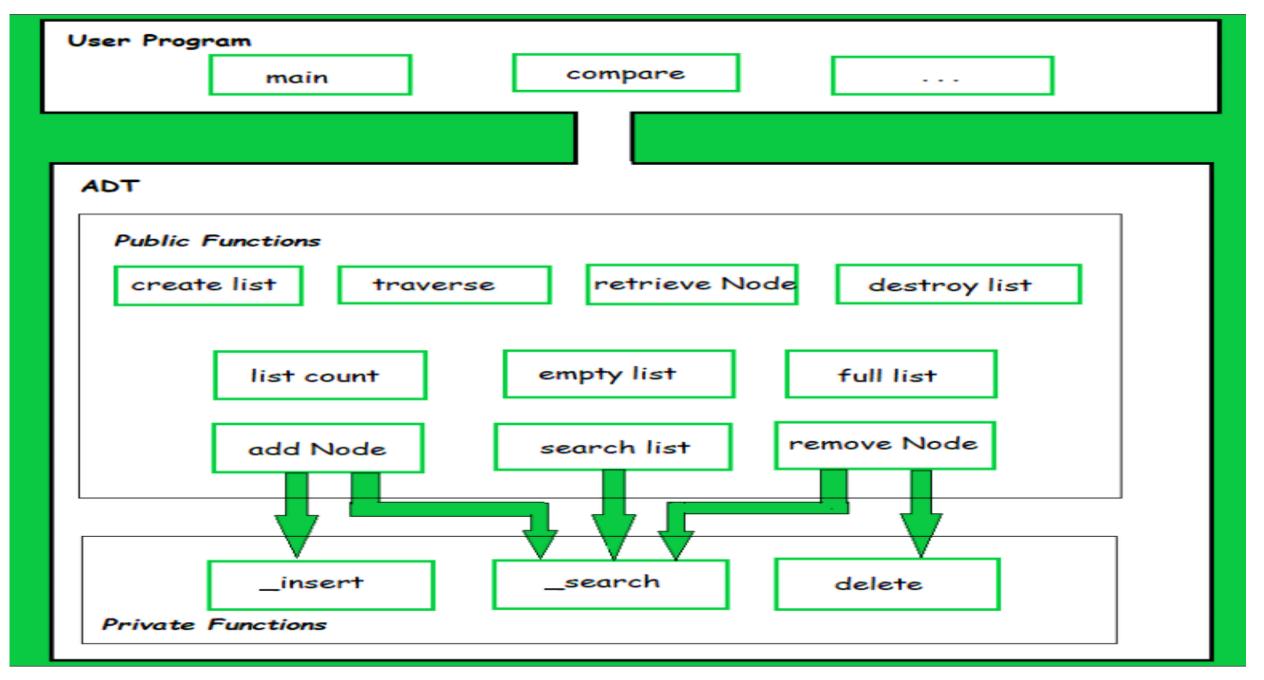
- isFull(), This is used to check whether queue is full or not
- isEmpry(), This is used to check whether queue is empty or not
- insert(x), This is used to add x into the queue at the rear end
- odelete(), This is used to delete one element from the front end of the queue
- size(), this function is used to get number of elements present into the queue

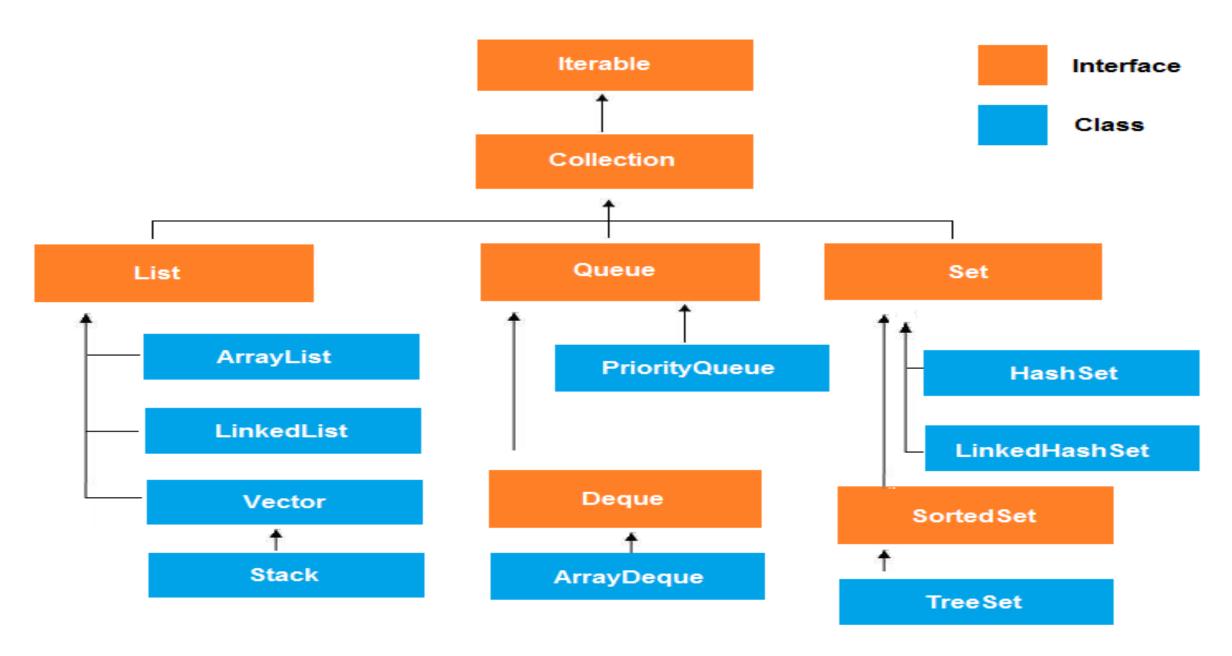
### **List ADT**

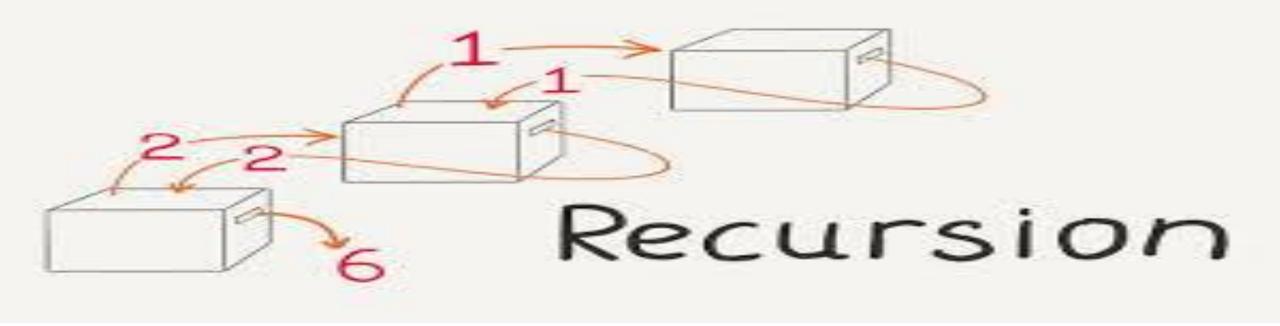


#### . List -

- size(), this function is used to get number of elements present into the list
- insert(x), this function is used to insert one element into the list
- remove(x), this function is used to remove given element from the list
- get(i), this function is used to get element at position i
- replace(x, y), this function is used to replace x with y value



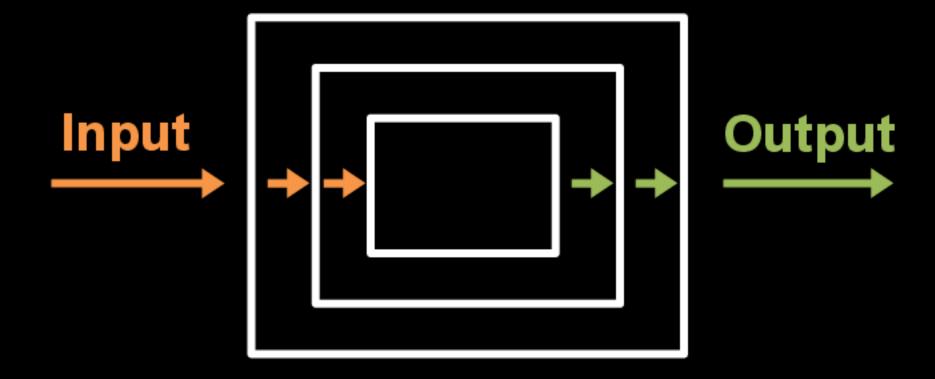




### **Topics**

- 1. Recursive definitions and Processes
- 2. Writing Recursive Programs
- 3. Efficiency in Recursion
- 4. Towers of Hanoi problem.

## Recursion



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### **How does Recursion works?**

```
void recurse()
                       recursive
                       call
    recurse();
int main()
    recurse();
```

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### Recursion

- Any function which calls itself directly or indirectly is called Recursion and the corresponding function is called as recursive function.
- A recursive method solves a problem by calling a copy of itself to work on a smaller problem.
- It is important to ensure that the recursion terminates.
- Each time the function call itself with a slightly simple version of the original problem.
- Using recursion, certain problems can be solved quite easily.
- E.g: Tower of Hanoi (TOH), Tree traversals, DFS of Graph etc.,

## Why Recursion is used Java?

- Recursion in java is a process in which a method calls itself continuously. A
  method in java that calls itself is called recursive method.
- It makes the code compact but complex to understand.
- Recursive code is generally shorter and easier to write than iterative code.
- It terminates when a base case is reached.
- Each recursive call requires extra space on the stack frame (i.e., Memory)
- Solution to some problem are easier to formulate recursively.

#### What is the difference between direct and indirect recursion?

A function fun is called **direct recursive** if it calls the same function fun.

A function fun is called **indirect recursive** if it calls another function say fun\_new and fun\_new calls fun directly or indirectly.

Difference between direct and indirect recursion has been illustrated in Table 1.

#### Direct recursion:

```
void directRecFun()
{
    // Some code....
    directRecFun();
    // Some code...
}
```

#### **Indirect recursion:**

```
void indirectRecFun1()
    // Some code...
    indirectRecFun2();
    // Some code...
void indirectRecFun2()
    // Some code...
    indirectRecFun1();
    // Some code...
```

```
//Infinite loop
class Recursion2{
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     static int i=0;
                                                        D:\Test>javac Recursion2.java
    tatic void show()// recusion method
                                                        D:\Test>java Recursion2
                                                          Girls !!!
          ++i; 12345 6
                                                          Girls !!!
                                                        Hi Girls !!!
          if(i<=5)// termination condition br/base
                                                        0:\Test>
          //to stop execution if condition is true
          system.out.println("Hi Girls !!!")
          show();// recursive call
     public static void main(String args[])
         show();//ecall for method
```

```
//Infinite loop
class Recursion4{
                                                        fact(5) = 5*fact(4)
                                                               =5*4*fact(3)
                                                               =5*4*3*fact(2)
     static int fact(int n)
                                                               =5*4*3*2 fact(1)
                                                               =5*4*3*2*1
          if(n<=1)
                return 1;
                                                                     Recursive tree
          else
                                                                        fact(5
               return n*fact(n-1);
     public static void main(String args[])
                                                                                fact(3
                                                                                   fact(2)
          System.out.println(fact(5));// call for method
```