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# CS310

# Data Structures

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# Today

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- **Last Lecture**

- Stacks and Queues

- **Today**

- More Stacks and Queues



What will these methods do?

Try tracing with linked list:

"A" → "B" → "C"

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```
class Node<T> {
    T data;
    Node<T> next;
}

class Stack<T> {
    void push(T data) {...}
    T pop() {...}
    int size() {...}
}
```

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#### PROBLEM 1:

```
void method1(Node<?> c) {
    if(c == null) return;
    System.out.println(c.data);
    method1(c.next);
}
```

#### PROBLEM 2:

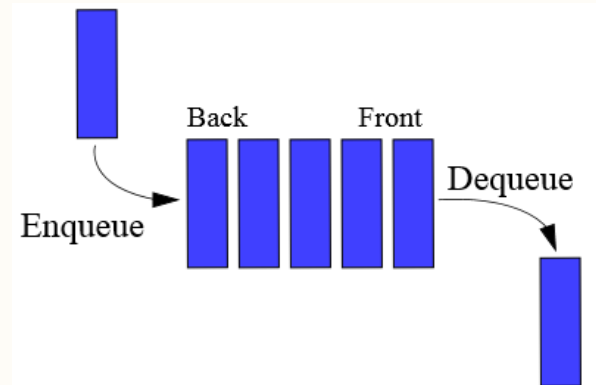
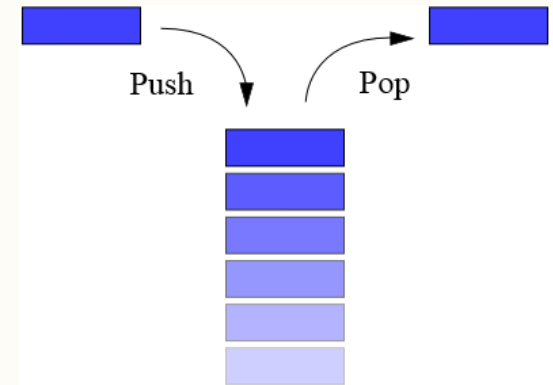
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void method2(Node<?> c) {
    if(c == null) return;
    method2(c.next);
    System.out.println(c.data);
}
```

#### PROBLEM 3:

```
void method3(Node<?> c) {
    Stack<Node<?>> stack
        = new Stack<Node<?>>();
    while(c != null) {
        stack.push(c);
        c = c.next;
    }
    while(stack.size() > 0) {
        System.out.println(stack.pop().data);
    }
}
```

# Stacks and Queues

- Stack
  - Data structure that works like a... stack
  - e.g. a **stack** of paper
- Queue
  - Data structure that works like a... queue
  - or a **“line”** if you aren't British



# Stacks and Queues Summary

- Typical to implement Stack using an Array or Dynamic List (good constraints)
- Typical to implement Queue using Singly Linked List

## Stack

Operation Implementation	push	pop	peek	isEmpty	size
Dynamic Array	1*	1	1	1	1
Linked List	1	1	1	1	1

## Queue

Operation Implementation	enqueue	dequeue	peek	isEmpty	size
Dynamic Array	1*	1	1	1	1
Linked List	1	1	1	1	1

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Questions?

New Material



# Data Structure: Priority Queue

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## – Queue

- first item in = first item out (FIFO)

## – Priority Queue

- highest priority item = first item out

## – Options

- unsorted list
- sorted list
- multiple queues
- heap (not covered today... we'll get to this later in the semester)

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# Whiteboard





# Unsorted List

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## – Enqueue

- add to one end of the list
- choose which end carefully!
  - *We want an  $O(1)$  add for our underlying data structure*

## – Dequeue

- search list for highest priority item and remove
- shift later items in the list down (if array)

## – Underlying structures:

- array
- linked list

# Sorted List

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## – Enqueue

- add to end of the list and swap until in place
- can be done like one step of an insertion sort

## – Dequeue

- remove the front/back of the list
- choose which end carefully!
  - *We want an  $O(1)$  remove for our underlying data structure*

## – Underlying structures:

- array (circular or highest priority at back end)
- linked list

# Multiple Queues

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- Have one queue per priority level
  - fixed number of priorities! (e.g. high/medium/low)
- Enqueue
  - enqueue in correct priority's queue
- Dequeue
  - dequeue from highest priority (non-empty) queue
- Easy implementations:
  - array of (circular) array queues
  - array of linked list queues





# Priority Queue Summary

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- $n$  = number of items put in the queue
- $m$  = number of priorities

Operation Implementation	enqueue	dequeue (the highest priority item)	peek (at the highest priority item)
Unordered List	?	?	?
Ordered List	?	?	?
Multiple Queues	?	?	?
Binary Heap**	?	?	?

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# Priority Queue Summary

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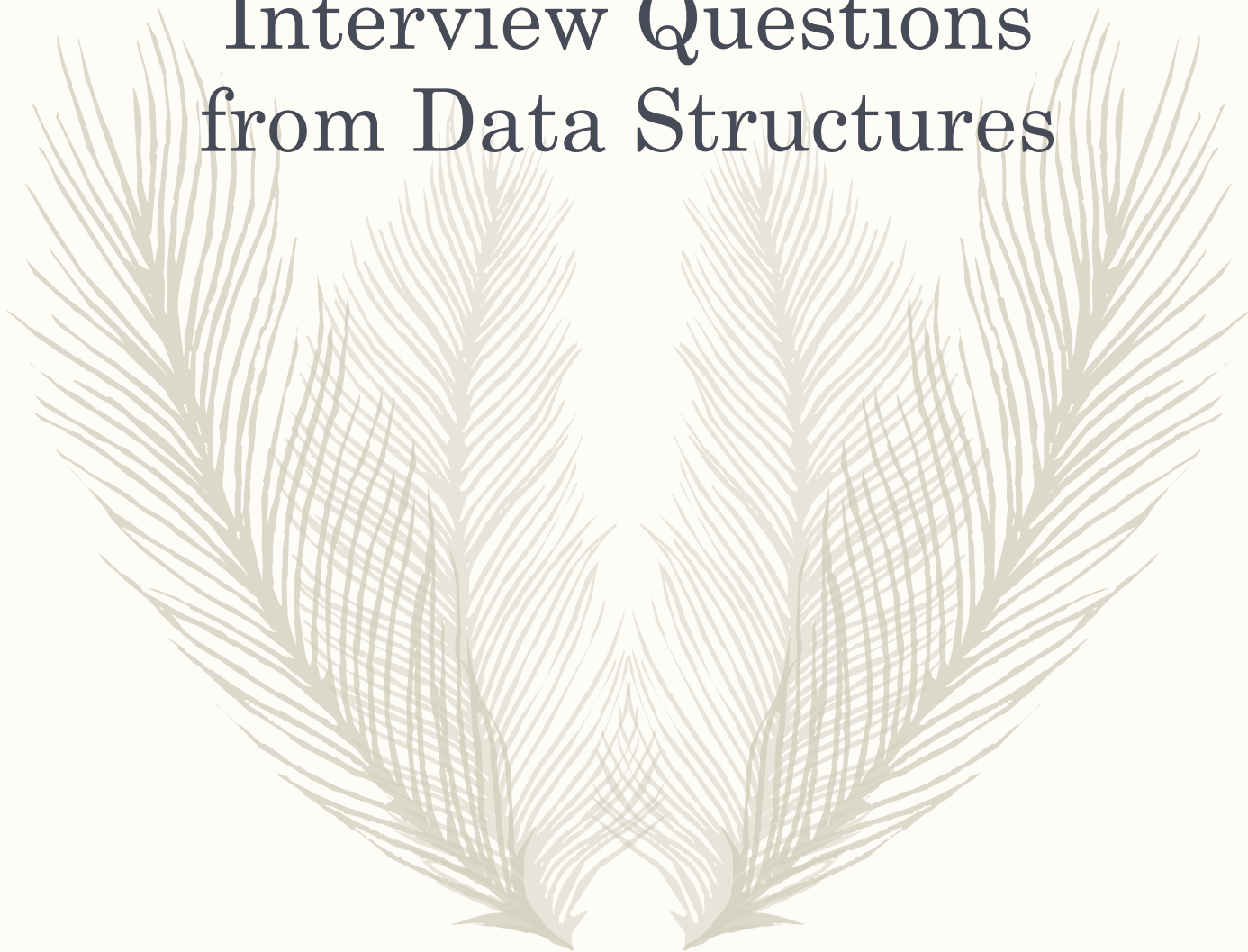
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Operation Implementation	enqueue	dequeue (the highest priority item)	peek (at the highest priority item)
Unordered List	$O(1)$	$O(n)$	$O(n)$
Ordered List	$O(n)$	$O(1)$	$O(1)$
Multiple Queues	$O(1)$	$O(m)$	$O(m)$
Binary Heap**	$O(\lg n)$	$O(\lg n)$	$O(1)$

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# Interview Questions from Data Structures



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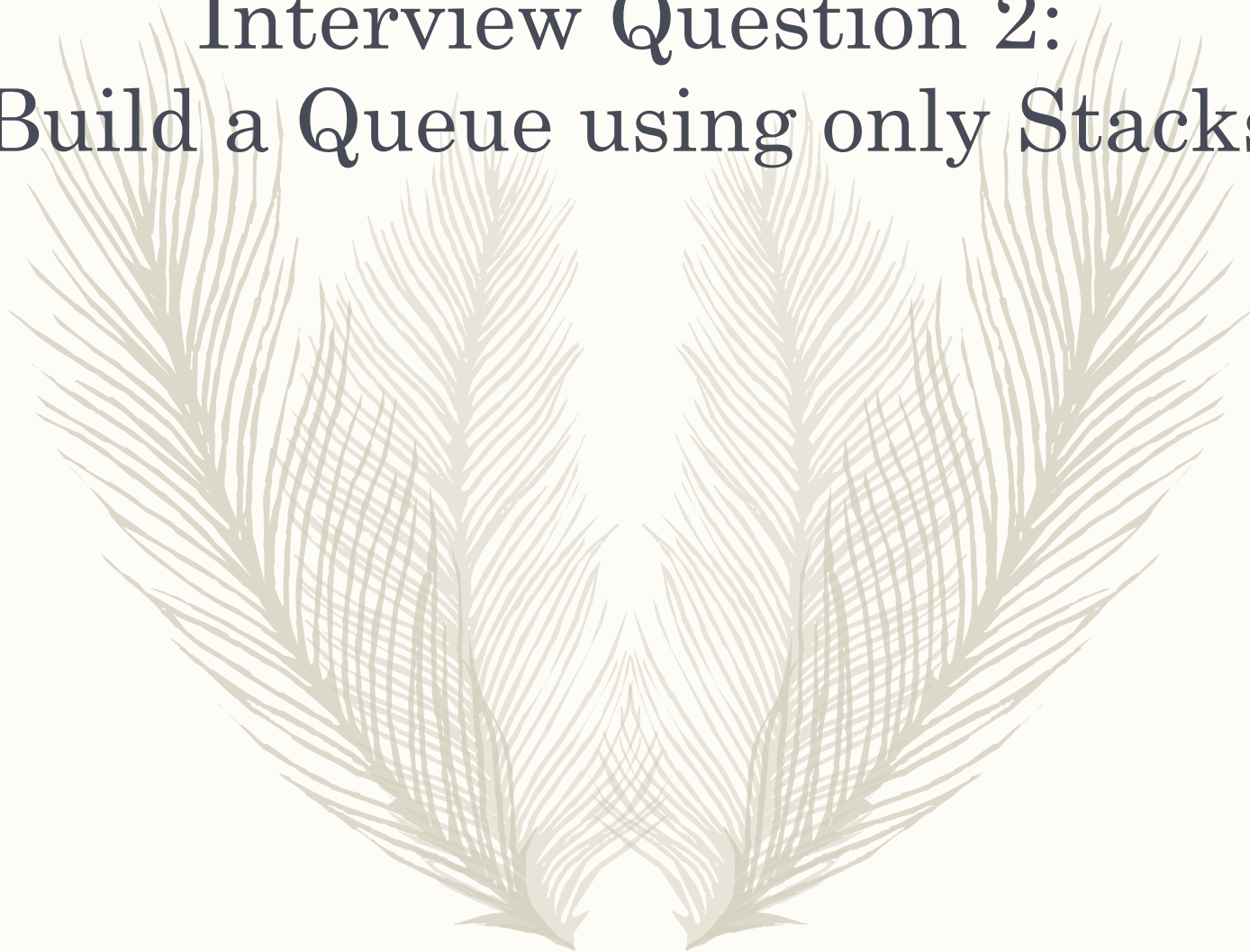
# Interview Question 1:

## Build a Queue and a Stack using only a List (Linked or Array-based)



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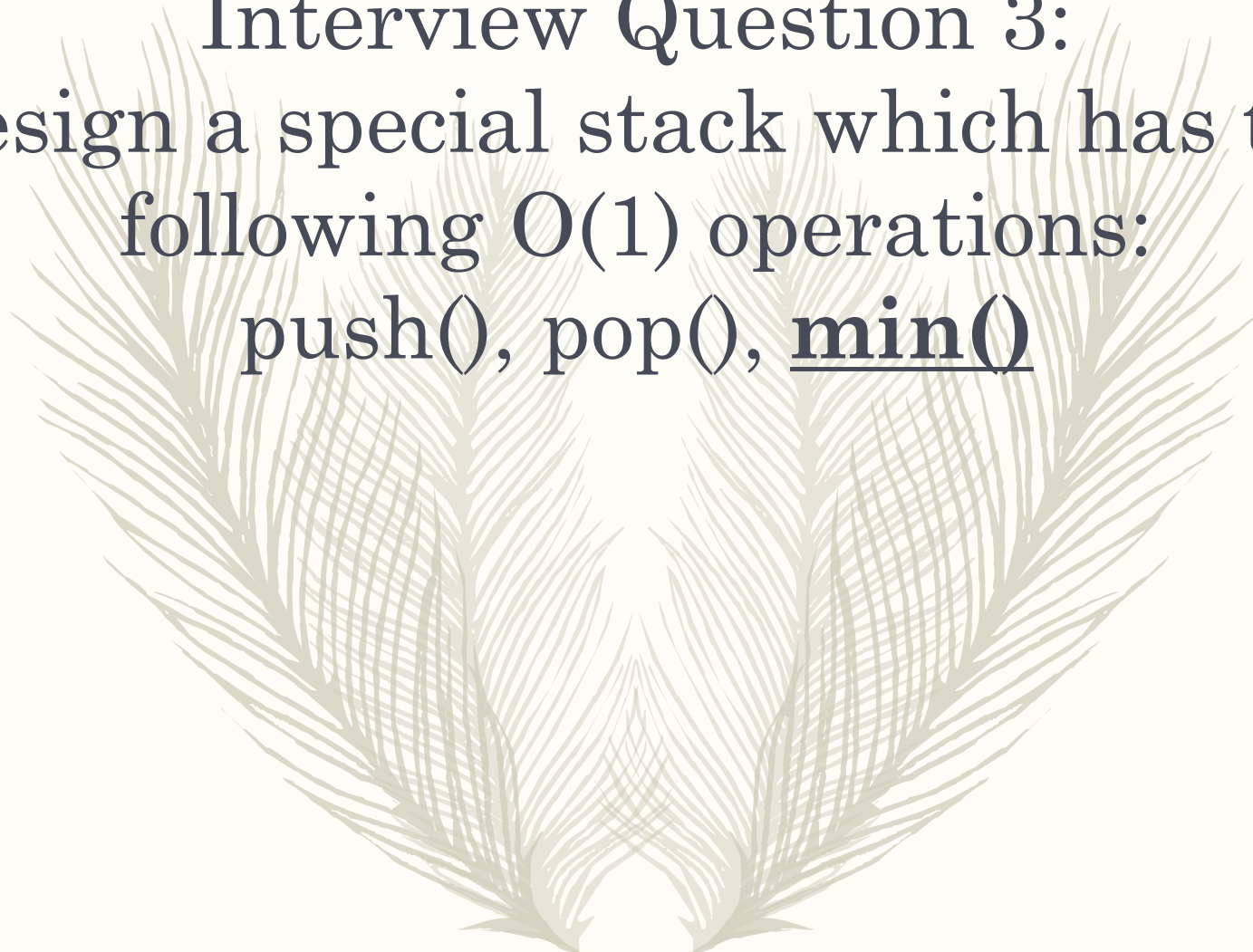
## Interview Question 2: Build a Queue using only Stacks





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Interview Question 3:  
Design a special stack which has the  
following  $O(1)$  operations:  
`push()`, `pop()`, `min()`



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## Interview Question 4:

Describe an algorithm to sort a stack in ascending order using only a second stack and a temporary variable. Do not make any assumptions about how the stack is implemented. The only functions available for the stack are: push(), pop(), peek(), and isEmpty()

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# Project 2

