



Data Structure and Algorithm Laboratory Activity No. 8

Stacks

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I. Objectives

Introduction

A stack is a collection of objects that are inserted and removed according to the last-in, first-out (LIFO) principle.

A user may insert objects into a stack at any time, but may only access or remove the most recently inserted object that remains (at the so-called “top” of the stack)

This laboratory activity aims to implement the principles and techniques in:

- Writing Python program using Stack
- Writing a Python program that will implement Stack operations

II. Methods

Instruction: Type the python codes below in your Colab. After running your codes, answer the questions below.

```
# Stack implementation in python
```

```
# Creating a stack
```

```
def create_stack():  
    stack = []  
    return stack
```

```
# Creating an empty stack
```

```
def is_empty(stack):  
    return len(stack) == 0
```

```
# Adding items into the stack
```

```
def push(stack, item):  
    stack.append(item)  
    print("Pushed Element: " + item)
```

```
# Removing an element from the stack
```

```
def pop(stack):  
    if (is_empty(stack)):  
        return "The stack is empty"  
    return stack.pop()
```

```
stack = create_stack()
```

```
push(stack, str(1))  
push(stack, str(2))  
push(stack, str(3))  
push(stack, str(4))  
push(stack, str(5))
```

```
print("The elements in the stack are:" + str(stack))
```

Answer the following questions:

- 1 Upon typing the codes, what is the name of the abstract data type? How is it implemented?
- 2 What is the output of the codes?
- 3 If you want to type additional codes, what will be the statement to pop 3 elements from the top of the stack?
- 4 If you will revise the codes, what will be the statement to determine the length of the stack? (Note: You may add additional methods to count the no. of elements in the stack)

1. Upon typing the codes, what is the name of the abstract data type? How is it implemented?

- The abstract data type is a **Stack**. It's implemented using a Python list, where elements are added (pushed) and removed (popped) from the same end (LIFO - Last In, First Out principle).

2. What is the output of the codes?

- The output shows all the push operations and then displays the final stack contents:

```
Pushed Element: 1  
Pushed Element: 2  
Pushed Element: 3  
Pushed Element: 4  
Pushed Element: 5  
The elements in the stack are:['1', '2', '3', '4', '5']
```

3. If you want to type additional codes, what will be the statement to pop 3 elements from the top of the stack?

```
# Pop 3 elements from the top of the stack  
print("Popped Element:", pop(stack))  
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print("Popped Element:", pop(stack))
```

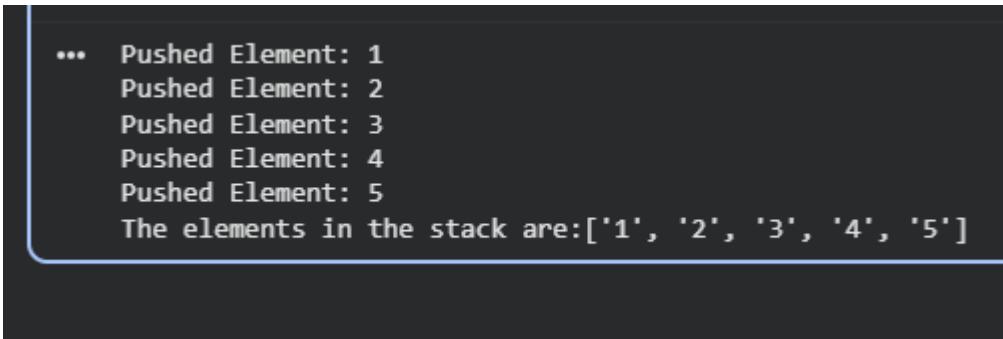
4. If you revise the codes, what will be the statement to determine the length of the stack?

- Method to get the length of the stack

```
def stack_length(stack):  
    return len(stack)
```

- Or you can simply use:
`length = len(stack)`

III. Results



```
... Pushed Element: 1
Pushed Element: 2
Pushed Element: 3
Pushed Element: 4
Pushed Element: 5
The elements in the stack are:['1', '2', '3', '4', '5']
```

Figure 1 Screenshot of program of output. [Lab report 8 \(SUMEL\) - Colab](#)

This output confirms that all five elements were successfully added to the stack in the correct order, with '5' being at the top and ready to be removed if a pop operation is performed.

IV. Conclusion

Based on the successful execution of the Python code, we conclude that the stack abstract data type was effectively implemented using a list structure, adhering to the LIFO (Last-In, First-Out) principle, as evidenced by the sequential output showing elements 1 through 5 being pushed and stored in the order ['1', '2', '3', '4', '5'] where '5' resides at the top, thereby demonstrating fundamental stack operations that can be extended with additional functionality like popping elements or determining stack length for broader applications in computer science.

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