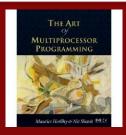
# MPCS 52060 - Parallel Programming M4: Concurrent Data Structures (Part 1)









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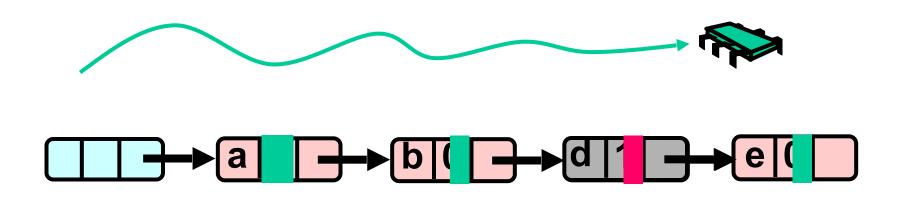


#### **Agenda**

- Concurrent Data Structures
  - Lock-free Lists
  - Hash tables (Maps)
  - Queues
  - Stacks

#### **Lock-free Lists**

#### Summary: Wait-free Contains

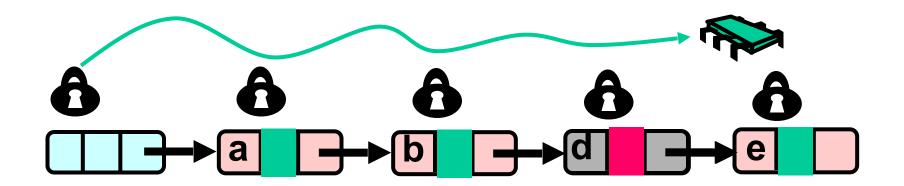


Use Mark bit + list ordering

- 1. Not marked → in the set
- 2. Marked or missing → not in the set



## Lazy List



Lazy add() and remove() + Wait-free contains()



#### **Evaluation**

- Good:
  - contains() doesn't lock
  - In fact, its wait-free!
  - Good because typically high % contains()
  - Uncontended calls don't re-traverse
- Bad
  - Contended add() and remove() calls do retraverse
  - Traffic jam if one thread delays



#### **Traffic Jam**

- Any concurrent data structure based on mutual exclusion has a weakness
- If one thread
  - Enters critical section
  - And "eats the big muffin"
    - Cache miss, page fault, descheduled ...
  - Everyone else using that lock is stuck!
  - Need to trust the scheduler....



# Reminder: Lock-Free Data Structures

- No matter what ...
  - Guarantees minimal progress in any execution
  - i.e. Some thread will always complete a method call
  - Even if others halt at malicious times
  - Implies that implementation can't use locks



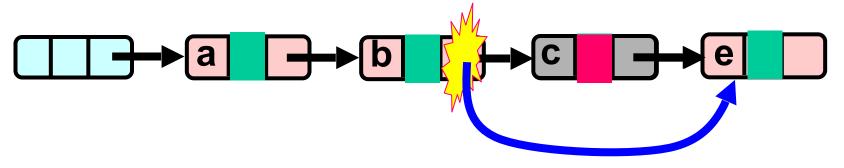
#### Lock-free Lists

- Next logical step
  - Wait-free contains()
  - lock-free add() and remove()
- Use only compareAndSet()
  - What could go wrong?



#### Lock-free Lists

Logical Removal



Use CAS to verify pointer is correct

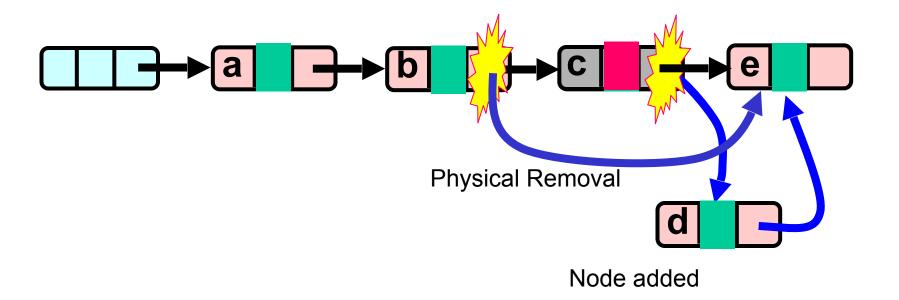
Physical Removal

Not enough!



## Problem...

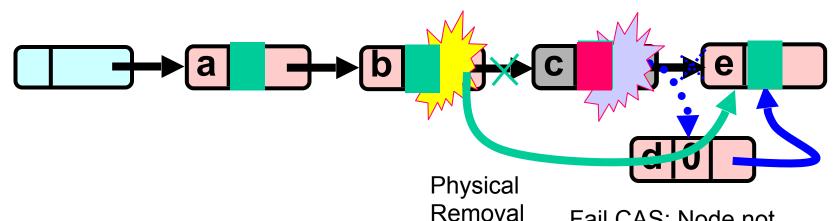
#### Logical Removal





#### The Solution: Combine Bit and Pointer

Logical Removal = Set Mark Bit



Mark-Bit and Pointer are CASed together (AtomicMarkableReference) Fail CAS: Node not added after logical Removal



CAS

#### Solution

- Use AtomicMarkableReference
- Atomically
  - Swing reference and
  - Update flag
- Remove in two steps
  - Set mark bit in next field
  - Redirect predecessor's pointer



## Marking a Node

- AtomicMarkableReference class
  - Java.util.concurrent.atomic package



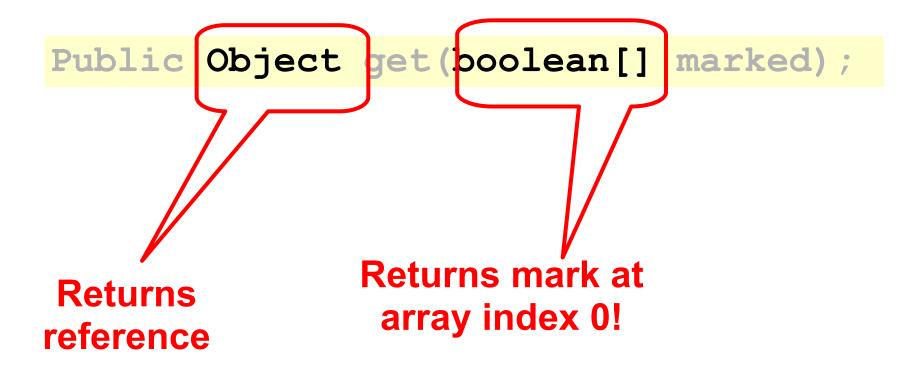


### Extracting Reference & Mark

Public Object get(boolean[] marked);



## Extracting Reference & Mark





# **Extracting Mark Only**

```
public boolean isMarked();
Value of mark
```



```
Public boolean compareAndSet(
   Object expectedRef,
   Object updateRef,
   boolean expectedMark,
   boolean updateMark);
```



If this is the current reference ...

```
Public boolean compareAndSet(
   Object expectedRef,
   Object updateRef,
   boolean expectedMark,
   boolean updateMark);
```

And this is the current mark ...



```
...then change to this
                    new reference ...
Public boolean compareAndSet(
  Object expected Ref,
  Object updateRef,
          expectedMark,
  boolean updateMark);
                         and this new
                            mark
```



```
public boolean attemptMark(
   Object expectedRef,
   boolean updateMark);
```

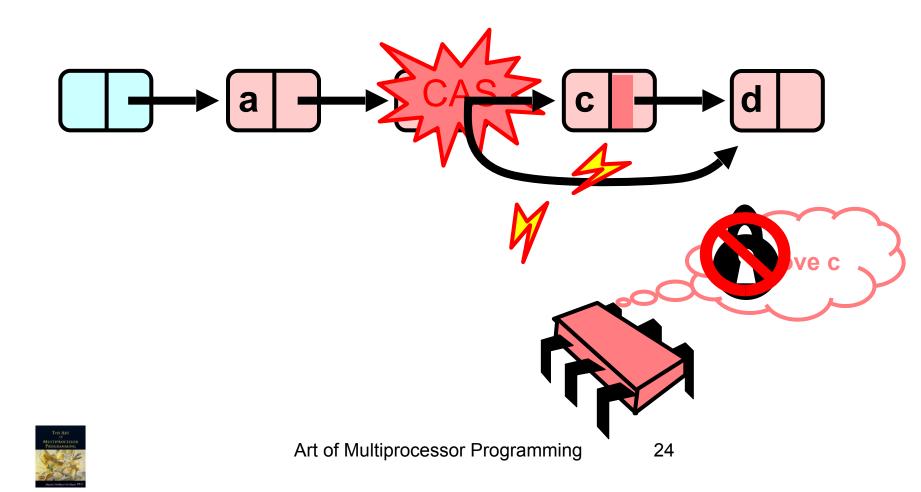


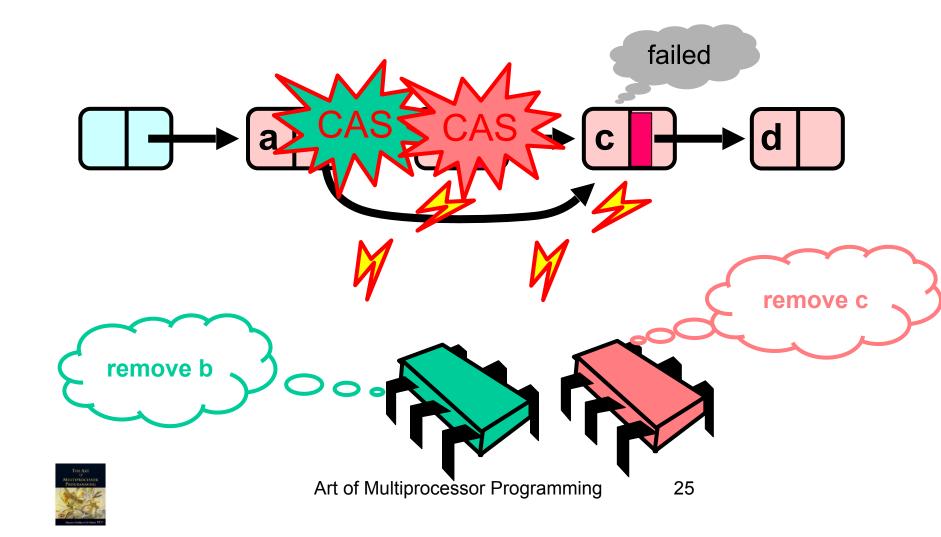
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 If this is the current
    reference ...
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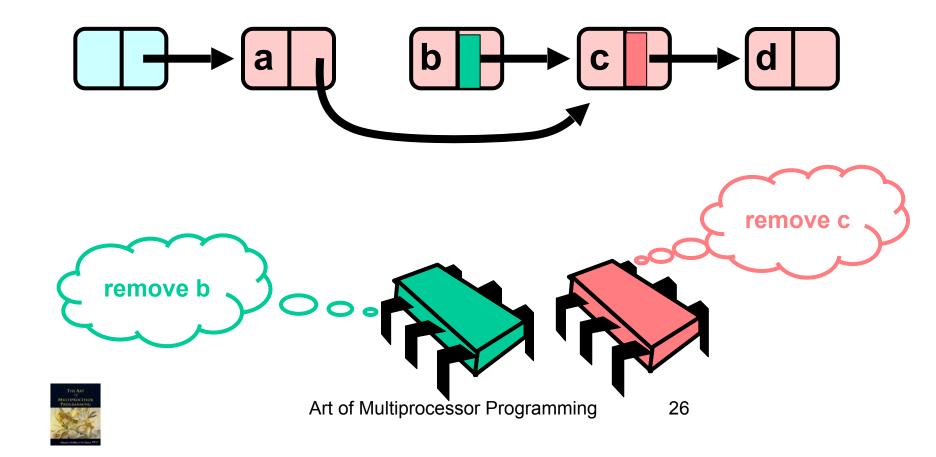


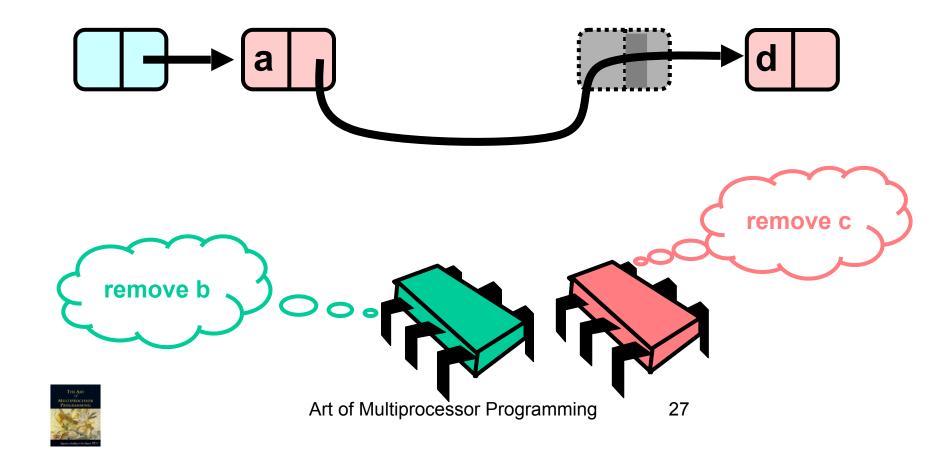
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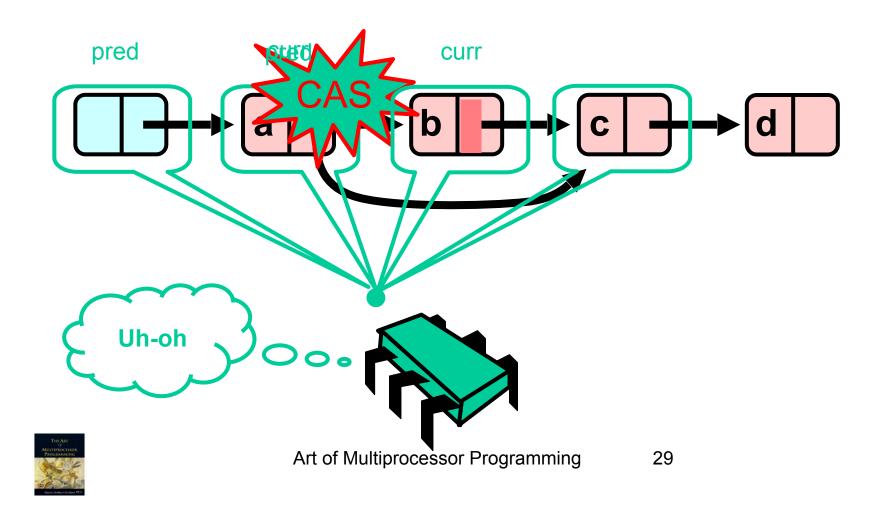


# Traversing the List

- Q: what do you do when you find a "logically" deleted node in your path?
- A: finish the job.
  - CAS the predecessor's next field
  - Proceed (repeat as needed)



# Lock-Free Traversal (only Add and Remove)



#### The Window Class

```
class Window {
  public Node pred;
  public Node curr;
  Window(Node pred, Node curr) {
    this.pred = pred; this.curr = curr;
  }
}
```



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  }
}
```

# A container for pred and current values



## Using the Find Method

```
Window window = find(head, key);
Node pred = window.pred;
curr = window.curr;
```



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```
window window = find(head, key);
Node pred = window.pred;
curr = window.curr;
Find returns window
```

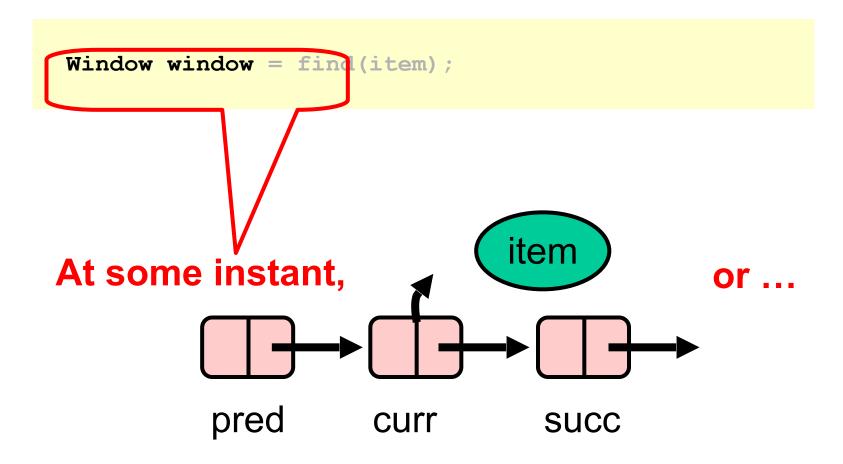


# Using the Find Method

```
Window window = find(head, key);
Node pred = window pred;
curr = window.curr;
Extract pred and curr
```

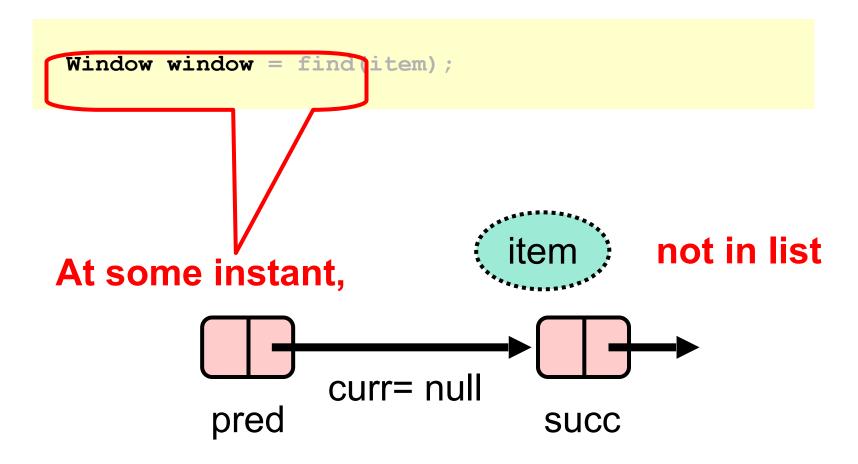


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```
public boolean remove(T item) {
Boolean snip;
while (true) {
Window window = find(head, key);
Node pred = window.pred, curr = window.curr;
  if (curr.key != key) {
     return false;
  } else {
 Node succ = curr.next.getReference();
  snip = curr.next.compareAndSet(succ, succ, false
true);
  if (!snip) continue;
  pred.next.compareAndSet(curr, succ, false, false);
     return true;
} } }
```



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     return true;
                                 Keep trying
```



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  pred.next.compareAndSet(curr, succ, false, false);
     return true;
                          Find neighbors
```



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  if (!snip) continue;
  pred.next.compareAndSet(curr, scc, false, false);
     return true;
                           She's not there ...
```



```
Boolean sTry to mark node as deleted
while (true) {
 Window window = find(head, key);
 Node pred = window.pred, curr = window.curr;
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     return true;
```



```
public boolean remove(T item) {
If it doesn't work,
  just retry, if it
                  find(head, key
    does, job dow pred, curr = window.curr;
essentially done 7) {
     return false;
  } else {
  Node succ = durr.next.getReference();
  snip = curr.next.compareAndSet(succ, succ, false,
true);
     (!snip) continue;
   pred next compareAndSet(curr, succ, false, false);
     return true;
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```



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while (true) {
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 Node pred = window.pred, curr = window
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     mature falas.
   Try to advance reference
  (if we don't succeed, someone else did or will).
  snip = curr.next compareAndSet(succ, succ, false,
true);
  if (!snip)
   pred.next.compareAndSet(curr, succ, false, false);
     return true;
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boolean splice;
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   Node pred = window.pred, curr = window.curr;
   if (curr.key == key) {
      return false;
   } else {
   Node node = new Node(item);
   node.next = new AtomicMarkableRef(curr, false);
   if (pred.next.compareAndSet(curr, node, false,
false)) {return true;}
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   if (pred.next.compareAndSet(curr, node, false,
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Item already there.
```



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false)) {return true;}
111
```

#### create new node



```
public boolean add(T item) {
                               Install new node,
boolean splice;
  Window window = find(head, key), se retry loop
 while (true) {
  Node pred = window.pred, curr = window.curr;
                W Node(item);
   Node node
   node.next = new AtomicMarkableRef(curr, false);
   if (pred.next.compareAndSet(curr, node, false,
false)) {return true;}
```



#### Wait-free Contains

```
public boolean contains(T item) {
   boolean marked;
   int key = item.hashCode();
   Node curr = this.head;
   while (curr.key < key)
       curr = curr.next;
   Node succ = curr.next.get(marked);
   return (curr.key == key && !marked[0])
}</pre>
```



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public Window find(Node head, int key) {
 Node pred = null, curr = null, succ = null;
 boolean[] marked = {false}; boolean snip;
 retry: while (true) {
   pred = head;
   curr = pred.next.getReference();
   while (true) {
    succ = curr.next.get(marked);
    while (marked[0]) {
   if (curr.key >= key)
         return new Window(pred, curr);
       pred = curr;
       curr = succ;
```



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   curr = pred.next.getReference(
                                    If list changes while
   while (true) {
                                    traversed, start over
    succ = curr.next.get(marked);
    while (marked[0]) {
    if (curr.key >= key)
         return new Window(pred, curr);
       pred = curr;
       curr = succ;
```



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 Node pred = null Start looking from head
boolean[] marked = {talse}; boolean snip;
 retry: while (true) {
  pred = head;
   curr = pred.next.getReference();
   while (true) {
    succ = curr.next.get(marked);
    while (marked[0]) {
   if (curr.key >= key)
         return new Window (pred, curr
       pred = curr;
       curr = succ;
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 retry: while (true) { Move down the list
   pred = head;
   curr = pred.next.getRefe
   while (true) {
    succ = curr.next.get(marked);
    while (marked[0]) {
   if (curr.key >= key)
         return new Window(pred, curr);
       pred = curr;
       curr = succ;
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   while (true) {
    succ = curr.next.get(marked);
   if (curr.key >= key)
         return new Window (pred, curr);
       pred = curr;
                     Get ref to successor and
       curr = succ;
                        current deleted bit
```



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   curr = pred.next.getReference();
   while (true) {
    succ = curr.next.get(marked);
    while (marked[0]) {
       (curr.kev >= kev)
         return new Window (pred,
       pred = curr;
```

# Try to remove deleted nodes in path...code details soon



```
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 boolean[] marked = {false}; boolean snip;
 retry: while (true) {
   pred = head;
   curr = pred.next.getReference();
   If curr key that is greater or
   equal, return pred and curr
      (curr.key >= key)
         return new Window(pred, curr);
       pred = curr;
       curr = succ;
```



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   curr = pred.next.getReference();
   while (true) {
    arian - arian nout not (manhad).
 Otherwise advance window and
             loop again
   if (curr.key = key)
         return new Window(pred, curr);
       pred = curr
       curr = succ;
```





#### Try to snip out node

```
retry: while (true) {
   while (marked[0])
     snip = pred.next.compareAndSet(curr,
                           succ, false, false);
     curr = succ;
     succ = curr.next.get(marked);
```



if predecessor's next field changed,

```
retry whole traversal
retry: while (true)
   while (marked[0]) {
     snip = pred.next.compareAndSet(curr,
                          sycc, false, false);
     if (!snip) continue retry;
     succ = curr.next.get(marked);
```



Otherwise move on to check if next node deleted



## Summary

- Coarse-grained locking
- Fine-grained locking
- Optimistic synchronization
- Lazy synchronization
- Lock-free synchronization



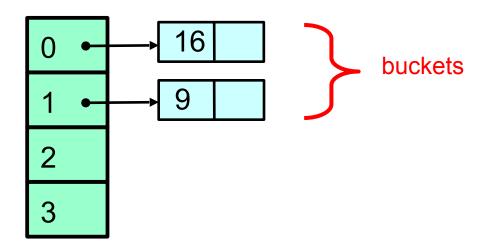
#### "To Lock or Not to Lock"

- Locking vs. Non-blocking:
  - Extremist views on both sides
- The answer: nobler to compromise
  - Example: Lazy list combines blocking add() and remove() and a wait-free contains()
  - Remember: Blocking/non-blocking is a property of a method



#### **Concurrent Hash tables**

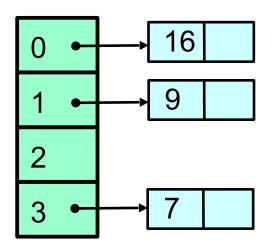
# Sequential Closed Hash Map



$$h(k) = k \mod 4$$



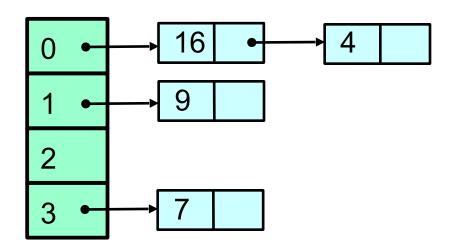
#### Add an Item



$$h(k) = k \mod 4$$



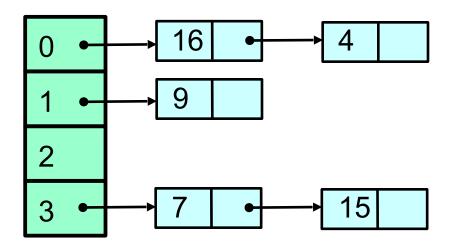
## Add Another: Collision



$$h(k) = k \mod 4$$



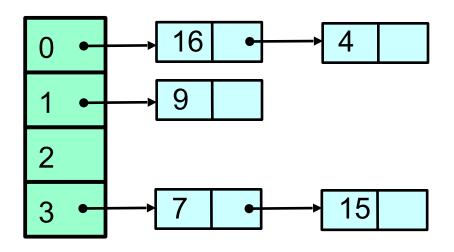
#### More Collisions



$$h(k) = k \mod 4$$



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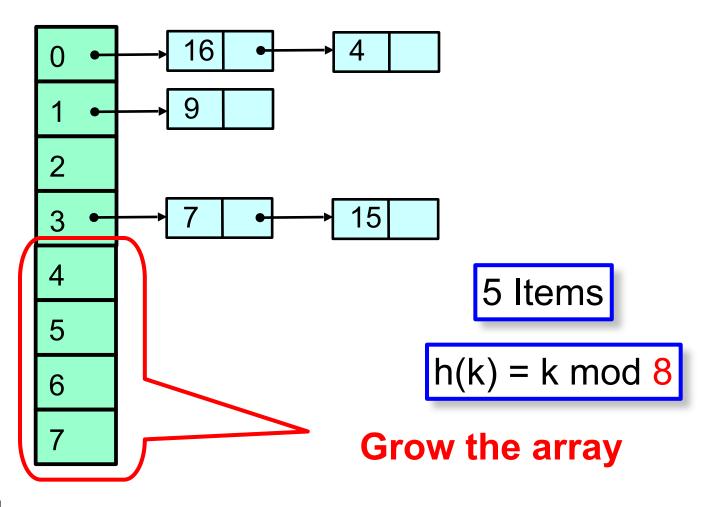


Problem: buckets getting too long

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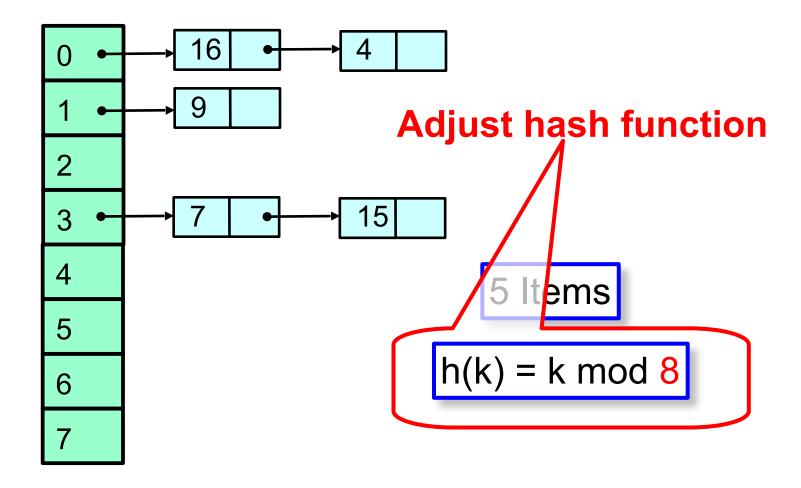


# Resizing



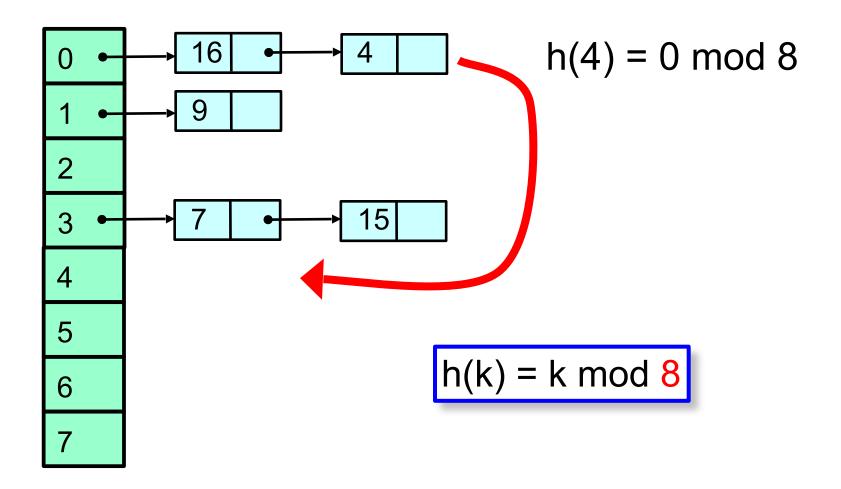


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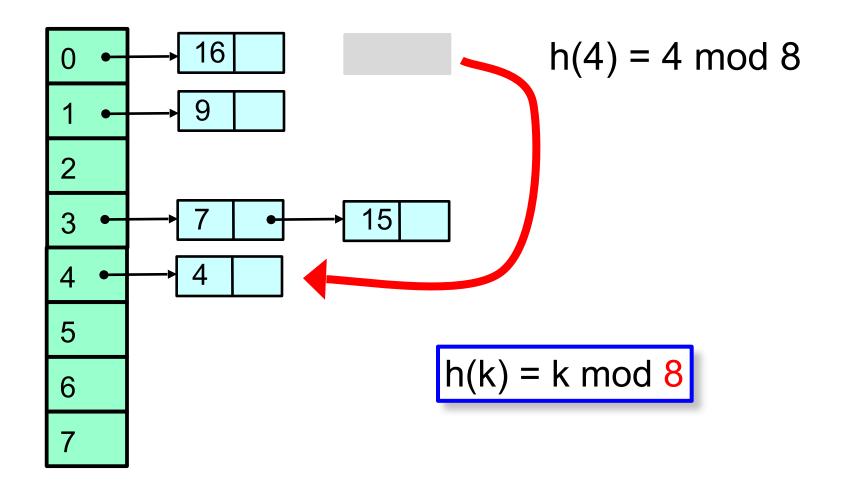




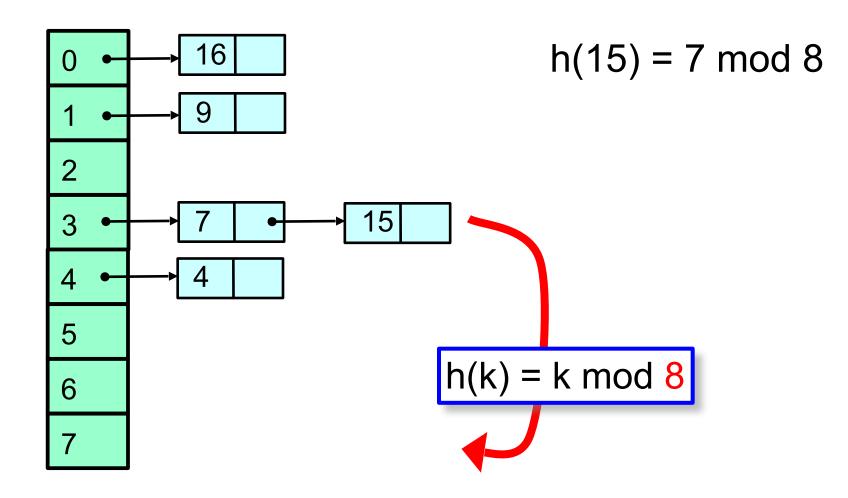
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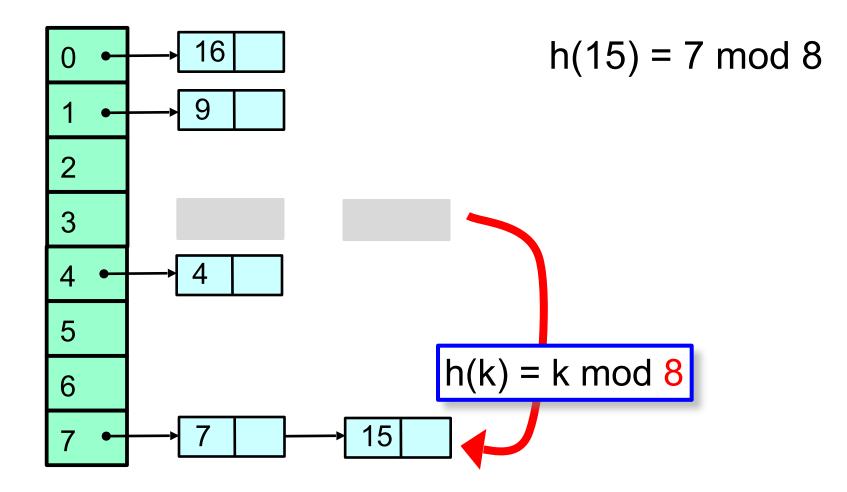














### **Fields**

```
public class SimpleHashSet {
    protected LockFreeList[] table;

public SimpleHashSet(int capacity) {
    table = new LockFreeList[capacity];
    for (int i = 0; i < capacity; i++)
        table[i] = new LockFreeList();
    }
...</pre>
```

### **Array of lock-free lists**



### Constructor

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public SimpleHashSet(int capacity) {
  table = new LockFreeList[capacity];
  for (int i = 0; i < capacity; i++)
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}
...

Initial size</pre>
```



### Constructor

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public SimpleHashSet(int capacity) {
  table = new LockFreeList[capacity];
  for (int i = 0; i < capacity; i++)
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}
...</pre>
```

**Allocate memory** 



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  for (int i = 0; i < capacity; i++)
    table[ij] = new LockFreeList();
}
...</pre>
```

### Initialization



### Add Method

```
public boolean add(Object key) {
  int hash =
  key.hashCode() % table.length;
  return table[hash].add(key);
}
```



### Add Method

```
public boolean add(Object key) {
int hash =
key.hashCode() % table.length;
return table[hash].add(key);
 Use object hash code to
         pick a bucket
```



### Add Method

```
public boolean add(Object key) {
  int hash =
  key.hashCode() % table.length;
  return table[hash].add(key);
```

### Call bucket's add() method



### No Brainer?

- We just saw a
  - Simple
  - Lock-free
  - Concurrent hash-based set implementation
- What's not to like?



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- We just saw a
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  - Concurrent hash-based set implementation
- What's not to like?
- We don't know how to resize ...



# Is Resizing Necessary?

- Constant-time method calls require
  - Constant-length buckets
  - Table size proportional to set size
  - As set grows, must be able to resize



### Set Method Mix

- Typical load
  - 90% contains()
  - -9% add ()
  - 1% remove()
- Growing is important
- Shrinking not so much



### When to Resize?

- Many reasonable policies. Here's one.
- Pick a threshold on num of items in a bucket
- Global threshold
  - When ≥ ¼ buckets exceed this value
- Bucket threshold
  - When any bucket exceeds this value

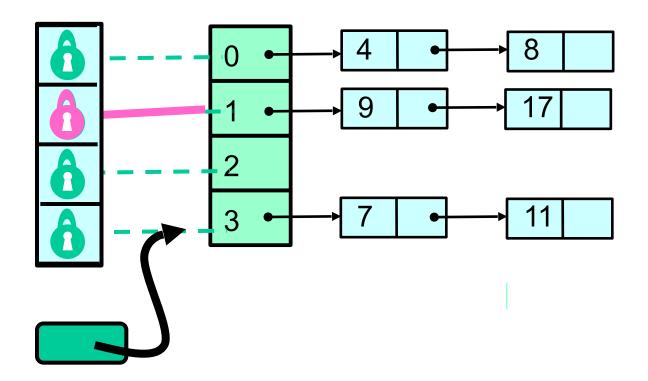


# Coarse-Grained Locking

- Good parts
  - Simple
  - Hard to mess up
- Bad parts
  - Sequential bottleneck



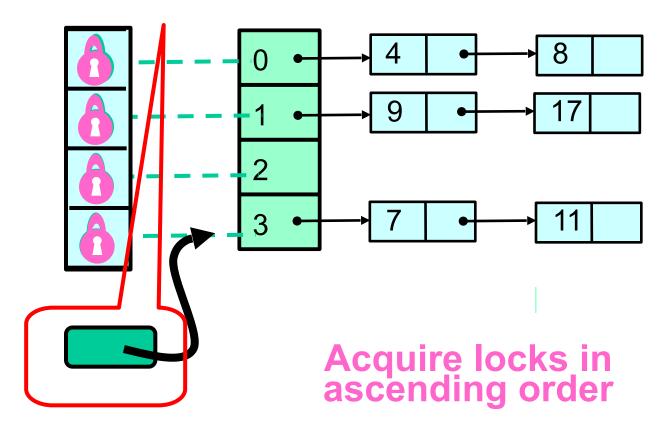
# Fine-grained Locking



#### Each lock associated with one bucket

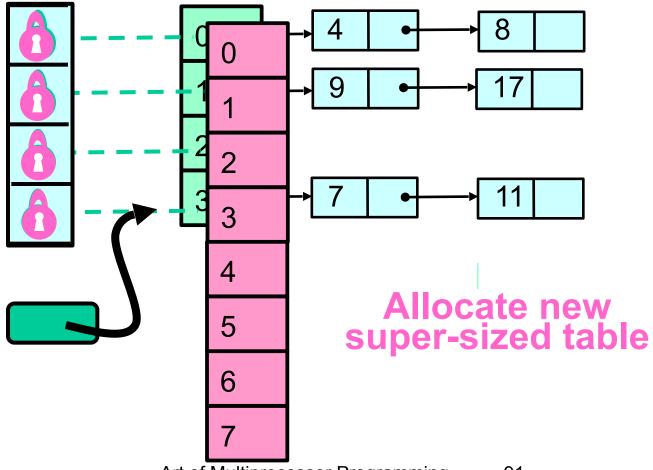


# Make sure table reference didn't change between resize decision and lock acquisition



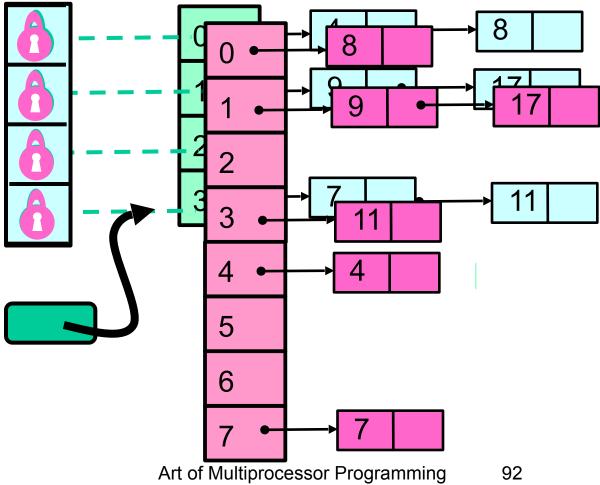


### Resize This



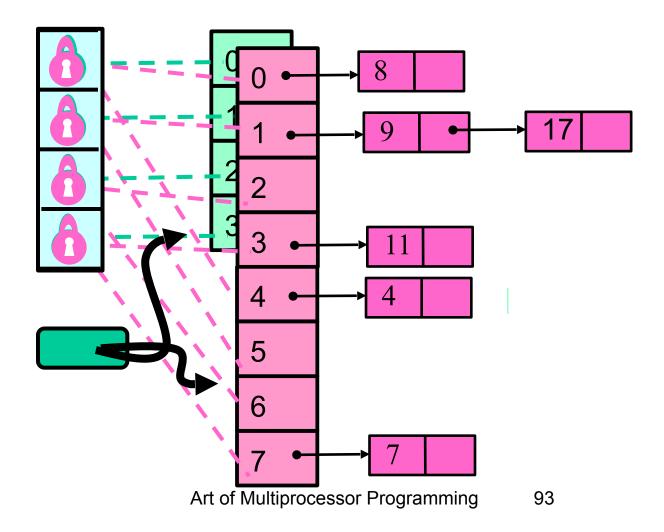


### Resize This





### Resize This





```
public class FGHashSet {
  protected RangeLock[] lock;
  protected List[] table;
  public FGHashSet(int capacity) {
  table = new List[capacity];
  lock = new RangeLock[capacity];
  for (int i = 0; i < capacity; i++) {
    lock[i] = new RangeLock();
    table[i] = new LinkedList();
}} ...</pre>
```



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protected List[] table,
public FGHashSet(int capacity) {
 table = new List[capacity]
 lock = new RangeLock[capacity];
 for (int i = 0; i < \text{capacity}; i++) {
 lock[i] = new RangeLock();
 table[i] = new LinkedList();
 }} ...
                                 Array of buckets
```



```
public class FGHashSetInitially same number of
protected RangeLock[]
                          locks and buckets
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```



# The add() method



# Fine-Grained Locking



# The add() method

### **Acquire the lock**



# Fine-Grained Locking

```
public boolean add(Object key) {
int keyHash
 = key.hashCode() % lock.length;
synchronized (lock[keyHash]) {
 int tabHash = key.hashCode() %
          table.length;
 return table[tabHash].add(key);
                              Which bucket?
```



# The add() method



# Fine-Grained Locking

```
private void resize(int depth,
            List[] oldTab) {
synchronized (lock|depth|) {
 if (oldTab == this.table){
 int next = depth + 1;
 if (next < lock.length)
  resize (next, oldTab);
 else
  sequentialResize();
                              resize() calls
}}}
                         resize(0,this.table)
```







#### Check that no one else has resized



```
Recursively acquire next lock

synchronized (lock[depth]) {
  if (oldTab == this.table){
   int next = depth + 1;
   if (next < lock.length)
    resize (next, oldTab);
   else
    sequentialResize();
}}
```



```
Locks acquired, do the work

synchronized (lock[depth]) {
   if (oldTab == this.table){
    int next = depth + 1;
    if (next < lock.length)
     resize (next, oldTab);
    else
     sequentialResize();
}}
```



### Stop The World Resizing

- Resizing stops all concurrent operations
- What about an incremental resize?
- Must avoid locking the table
- A lock-free table + incremental resizing? (See textbook)



### Closed (Chained) Hashing

#### Advantages:

- with N buckets, M items, Uniform h
- retains good performance as table density
   (M/N) increases → less resizing
- Disadvantages:
  - dynamic memory allocation
  - bad cache behavior (no locality)

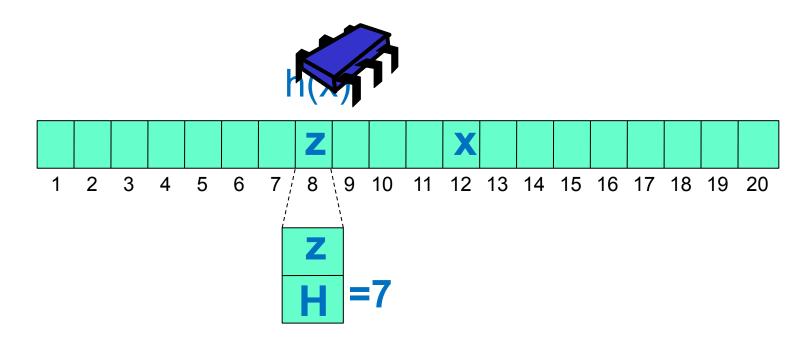


Oh, did we mention that cache behavior matters on a multicore?

### Open Addressed Hashing

- Keep all items in an array
- One per bucket
- If you have collisions, find an empty bucket and use it
- Must know how to find items if they are outside their bucket

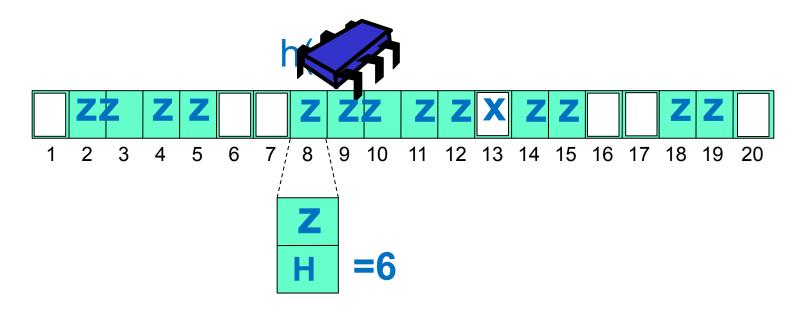
### Linear Probing\*



contains(x) – search linearly from h(x) to h(x) + H recorded in bucket.



### **Linear Probing**



add(x) – put in first empty bucket, and update H.



### **Linear Probing**

- Open address means M · N
- Expected items in bucket same as Chaining
- Expected distance till open slot:

```
\frac{1}{2}(1+(1/(1-M/N))^{2})
```

```
M/N = 0.5 \rightarrow search 2.5 buckets
```

 $M/N = 0.9 \rightarrow search 50 buckets$ 



### **Linear Probing**

- Advantages:
  - Good locality → fewer cache misses
- Disadvantages:
  - As M/N increases more cache misses
    - searching 10s of unrelated buckets
    - "Clustering" of keys into neighboring buckets
  - As computation proceeds "Contamination" by deleted items → more cache misses



### Concurrent Open Address Hashing

- Need to either lock whole chain of displacements (see book)
- or have extra space to keep items as they are displaced step by step (Cuckoo hashing, see book).

### Summary

- Chained hash with striped locking is simple and effective in many cases
- See Textbook: Hopscotch (Concurrent Cuckoo Hashing) with striped locking great cache behavior
- See Textbook: If incremental resizing needed go for split-ordered

#### **Concurrent Pools**

## pool

- Data Structure similar to Set
  - Does not necessarily provide contains() method
  - Allows the same item to appear more than once
  - get() and set()

```
public interface Pool<T> {
  void put(T item);
  T get();
}
```

### Queues & Stacks

- Both: pool of items
- Queue
  - enq() & deq()
  - First-in-first-out (FIFO) order
- Stack
  - push() & pop()
  - Last-in-first-out (LIFO) order

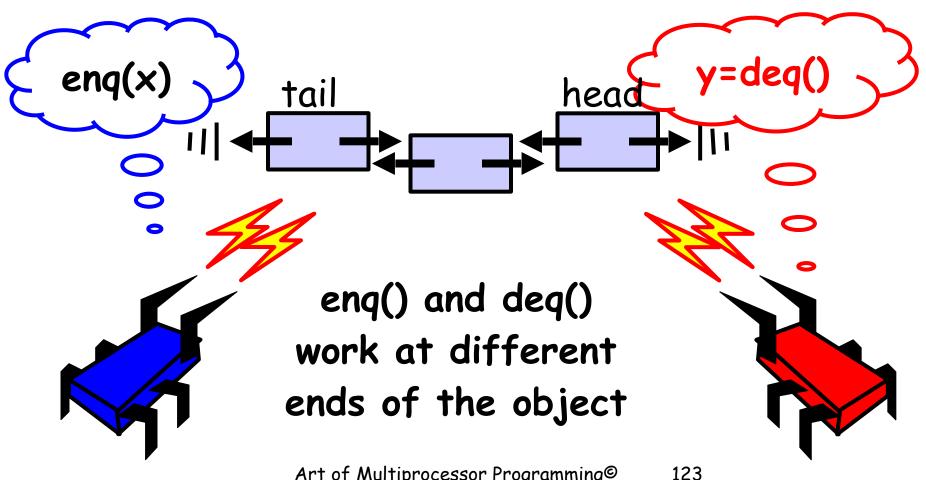
### Bounded vs Unbounded

- Bounded
  - Fixed capacity
  - Good when resources an issue
- Unbounded
  - Holds any number of objects

## Blocking vs Non-Blocking

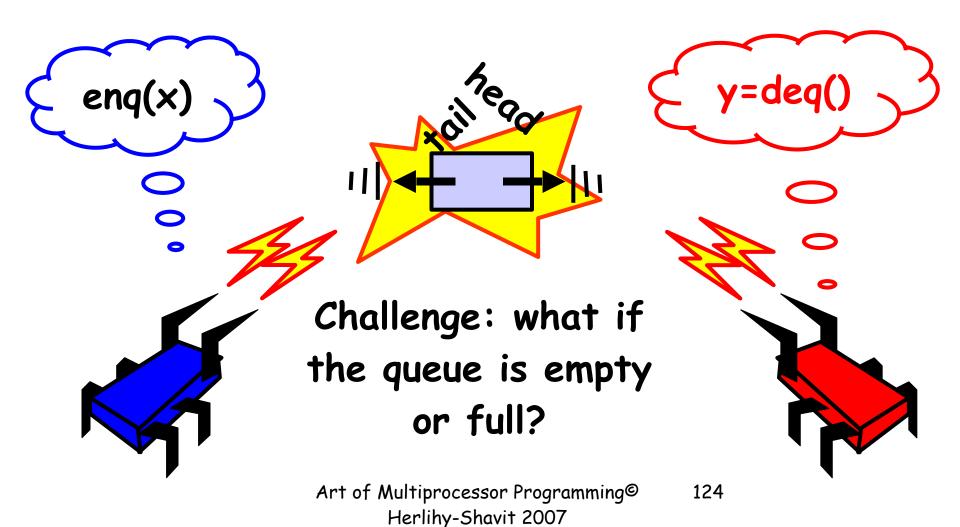
- Problem cases:
  - Removing from empty pool
  - Adding to full (bounded) pool
- Blocking
  - Caller waits until state changes
- Non-Blocking
  - Method throws exception or error

## Queue: Concurrency



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## Concurrency



### lock

#### · engLock/degLock

- At most one enqueuer/dequeuer at a time can manipulate the queue's fields

#### Two locks

- Enqueuer does not lock out dequeuer
- vice versa

#### Association

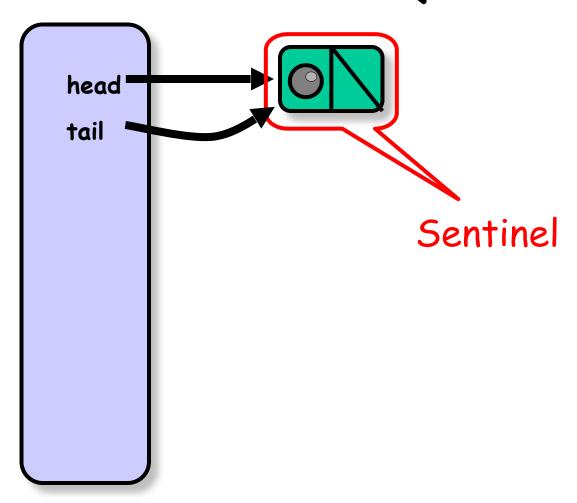
- englock associated with notFullCondition
- degLock associated with notEmptyCondition

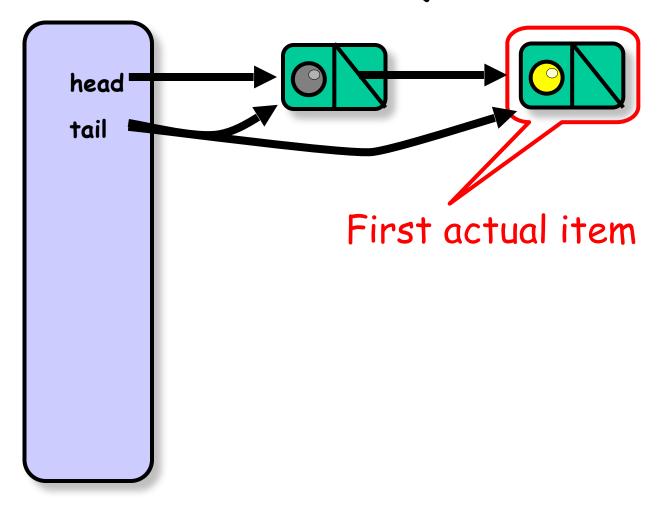
#### enqueue

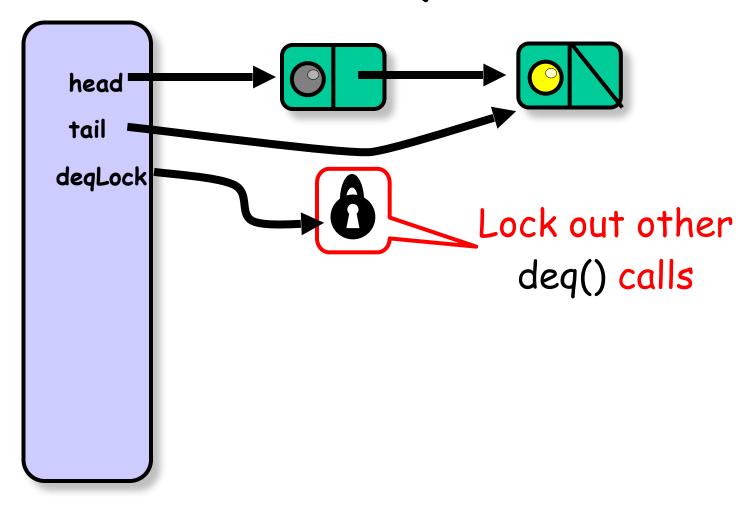
- Acquires engLock
- Reads the size field
- 3. If full, enqueuer must wait until dequeuer makes room
- 4. enqueuer waits on notFullCondition field, releasing enqLock temporarily, and blocking until that condition is signaled.
- 5. Each time the thread awakens, it checks whether there is a room, and if not, goes back to sleep
- 6. Insert new item into tail
- 7. Release engLock
- 8. If queue was empty, notify/signal waiting dequeuers

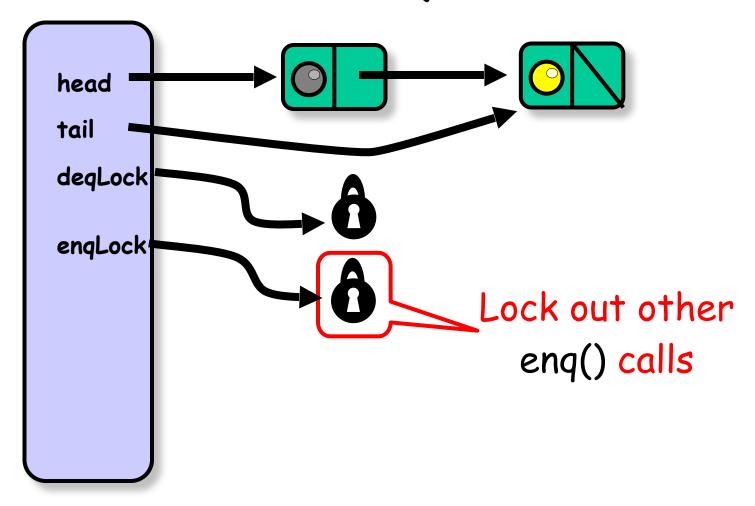
## dequeue

- Acquires degLock
- 2. Reads the size field
- 3. If empty, dequeuer must wait until item is enqueued
- 4. dequeuer waits on notEmptyCondition field, releasing deqLock temporarily, and blocking until that condition is signaled.
- 5. Each time the thread awakens, it checks whether item was enqueued, and if not, goes back to sleep
- 6. Assign the value of head's next node to "result" and reset head to head's next node
- 7. Release degLock
- 8. If queue was full, notify/signal waiting enqueuers
- 9. Return "result"

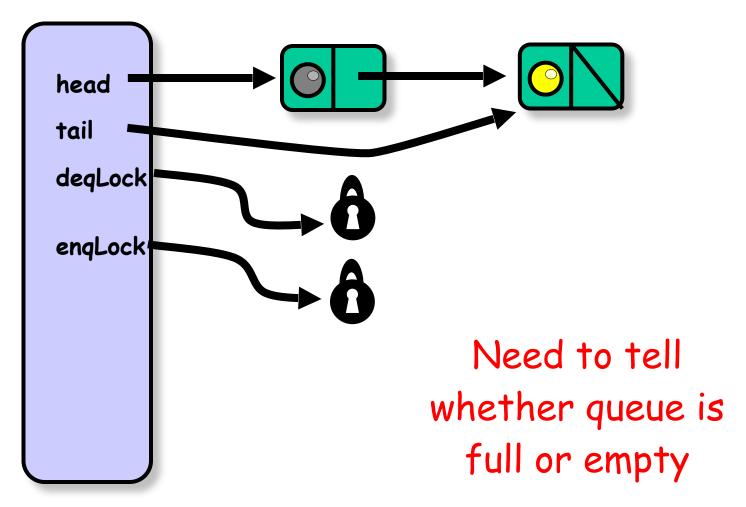




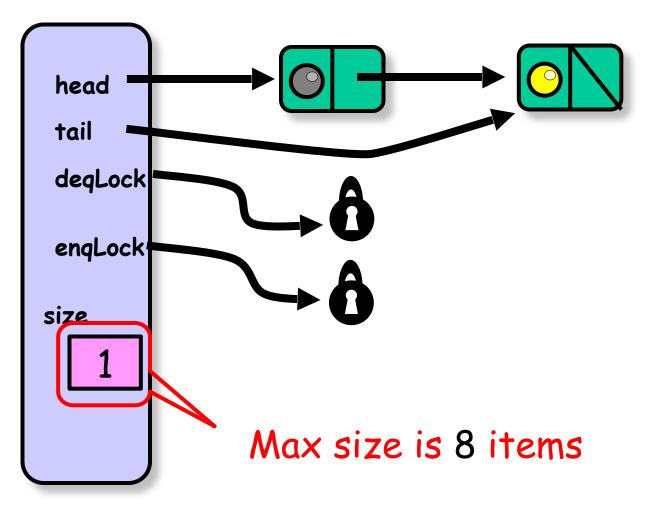




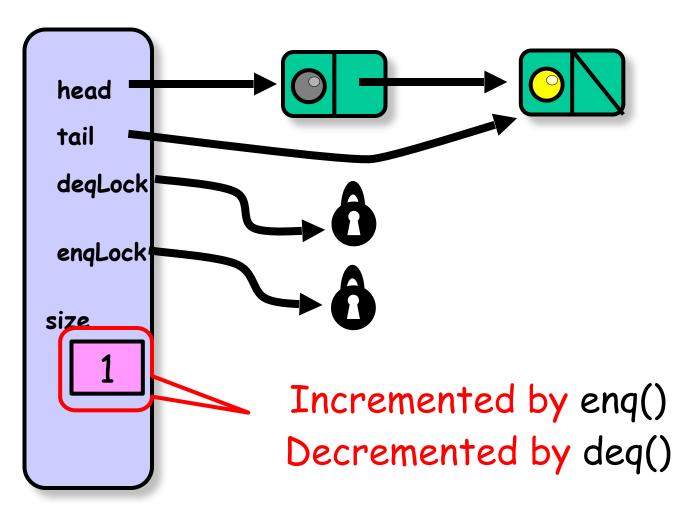
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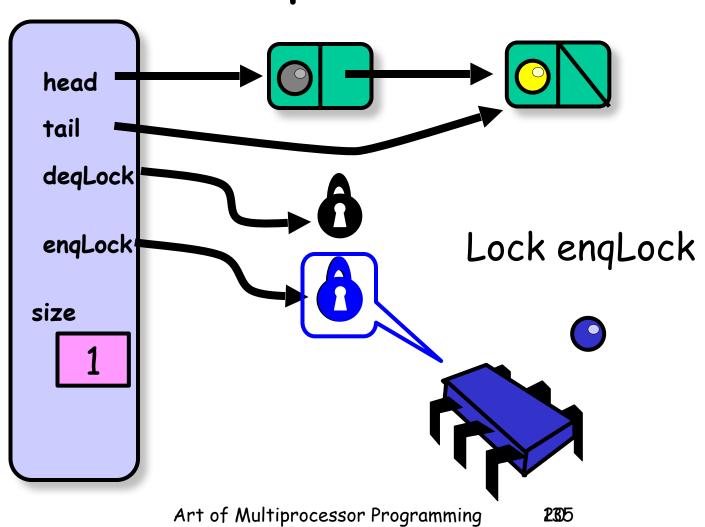


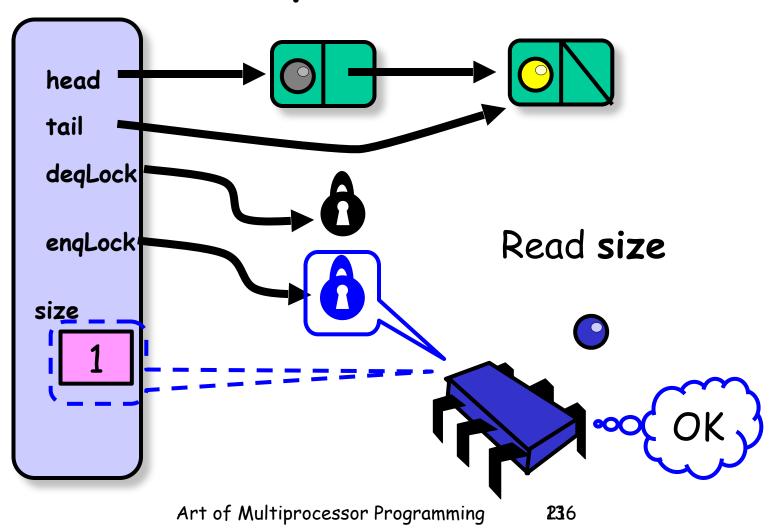
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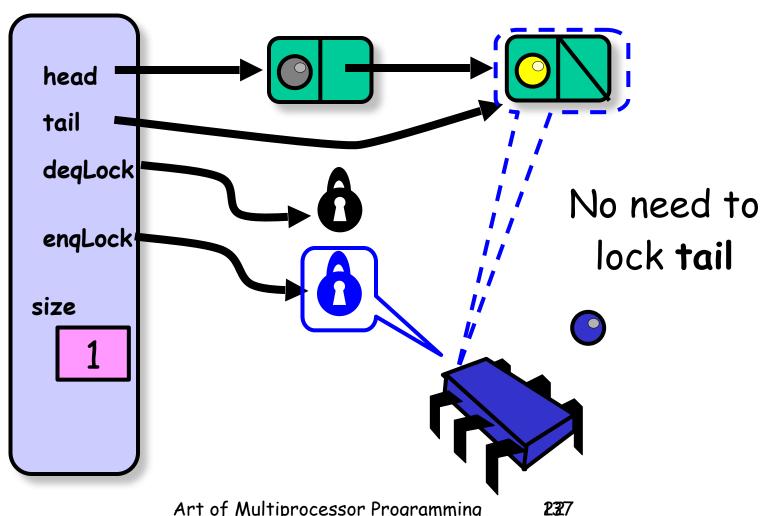


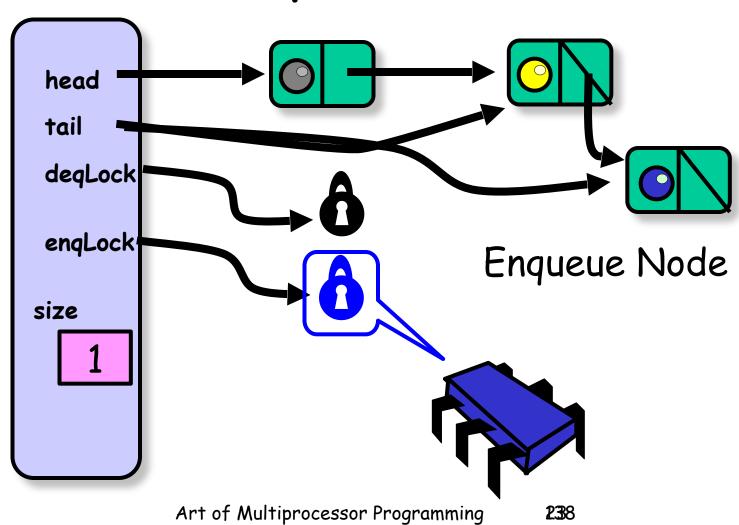
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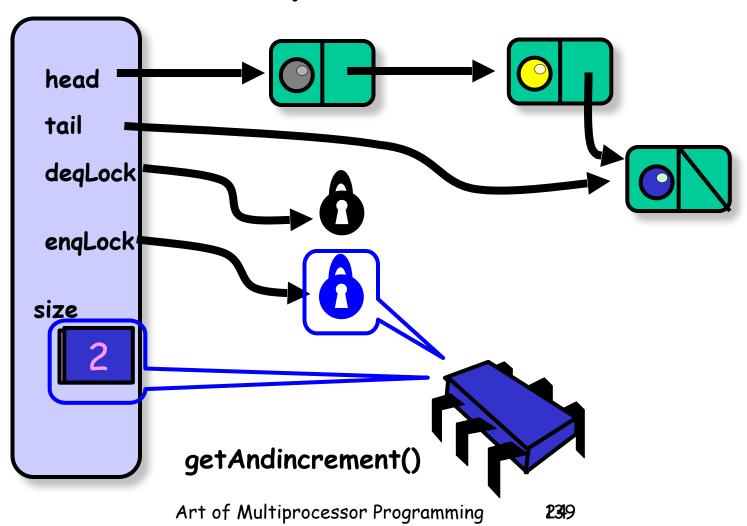


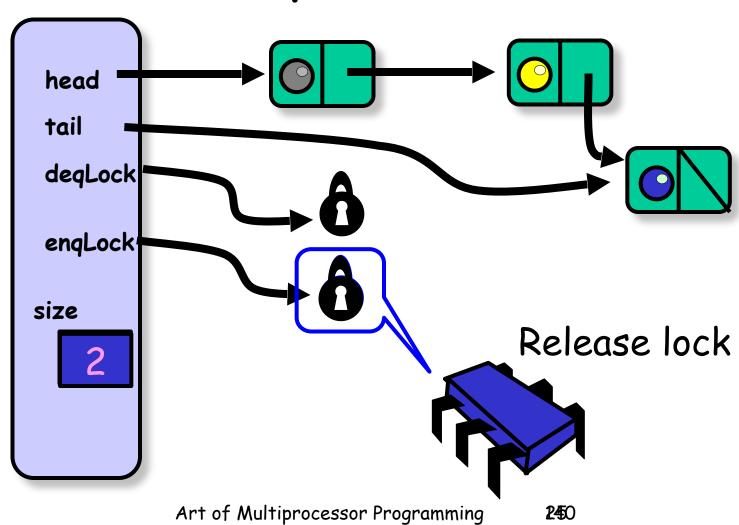


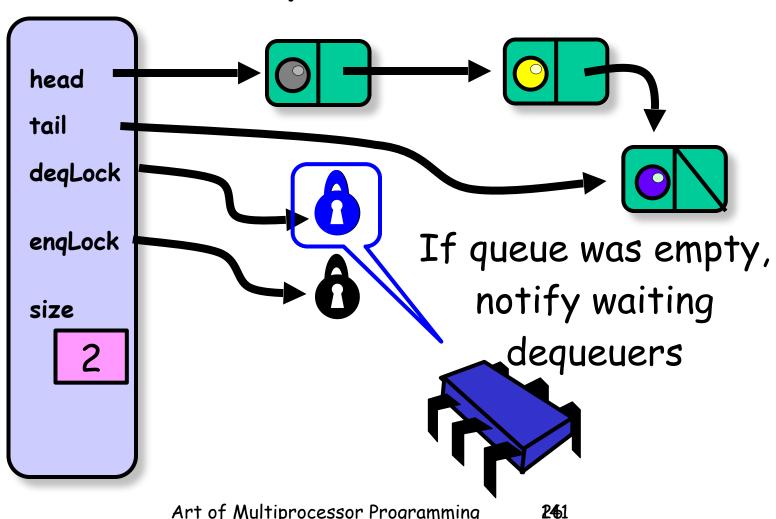




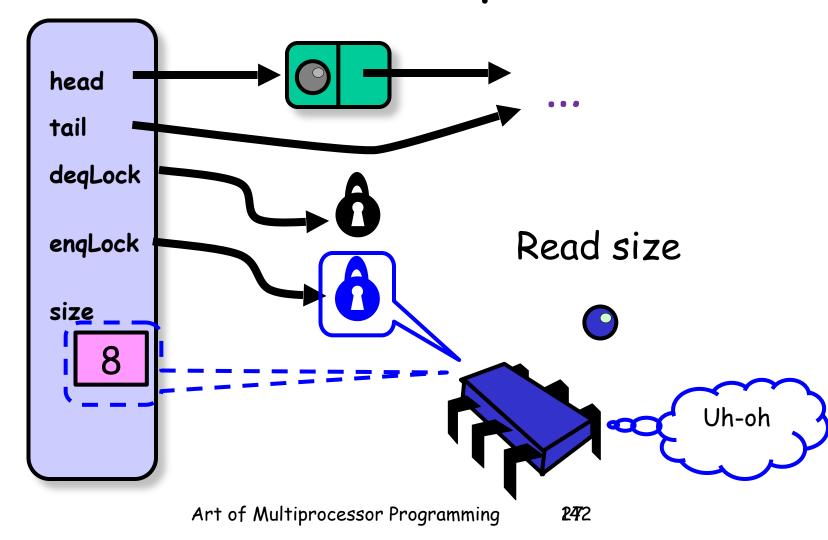




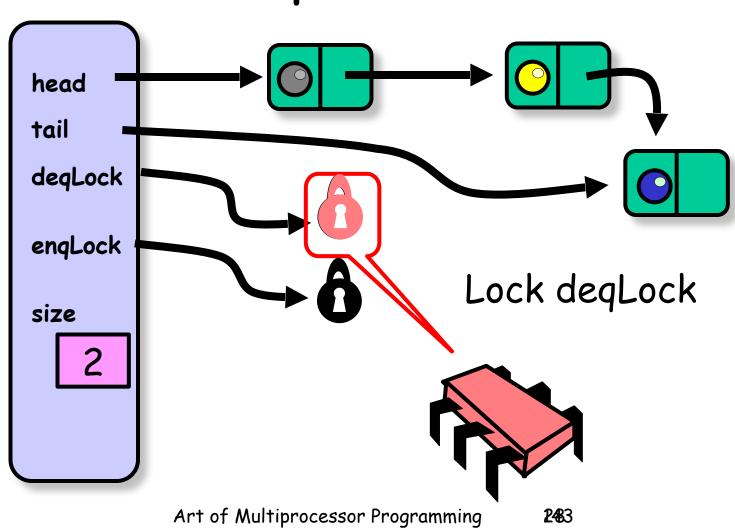




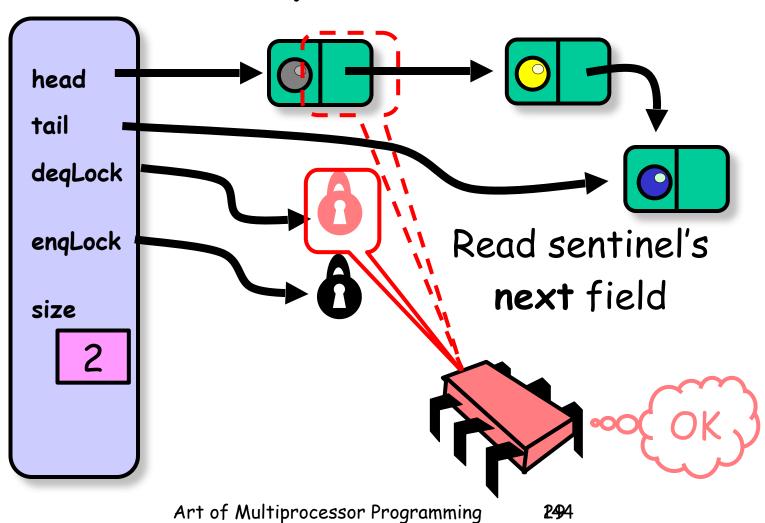
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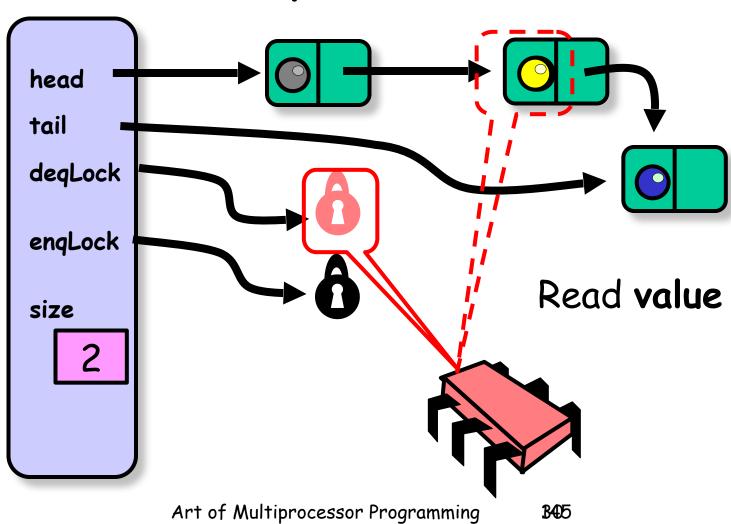
## Dequeuer



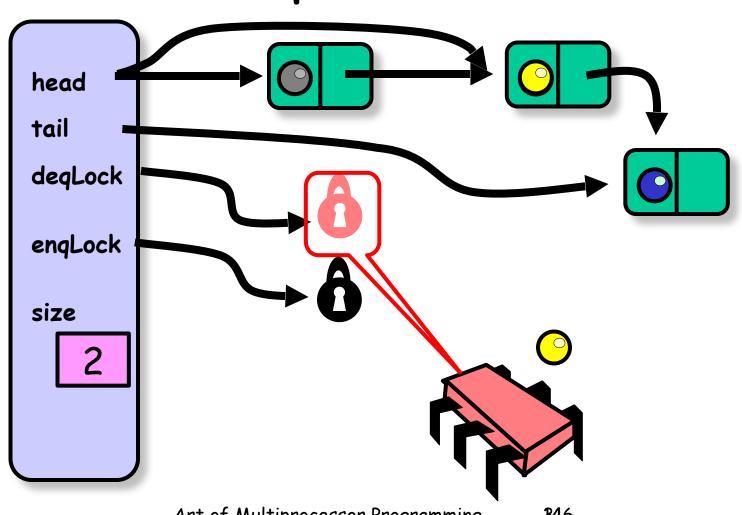
## Dequeuer



# Dequeuer



#### Make first Node new sentinel Dequeuer



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## Dequeuer head tail deqLock enqLock size Release deqLock Art of Multiprocessor Programming **348**8

#### Unbounded Lock-Free Queue (Nonblocking)

#### Unbounded

- No need to count the number of items

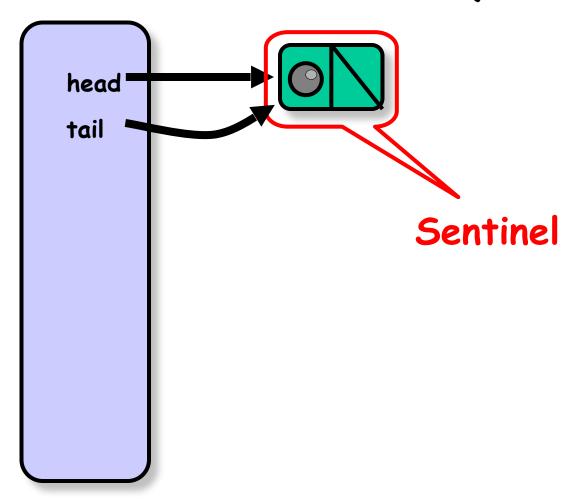
#### · Lock-free

- Use AtomicReference < V>
  - An object reference that may be updated atomically.
- boolean compareAndSet(V expect, V update)
  - Atomically sets the value to the given updated value if the current value == the expected value.

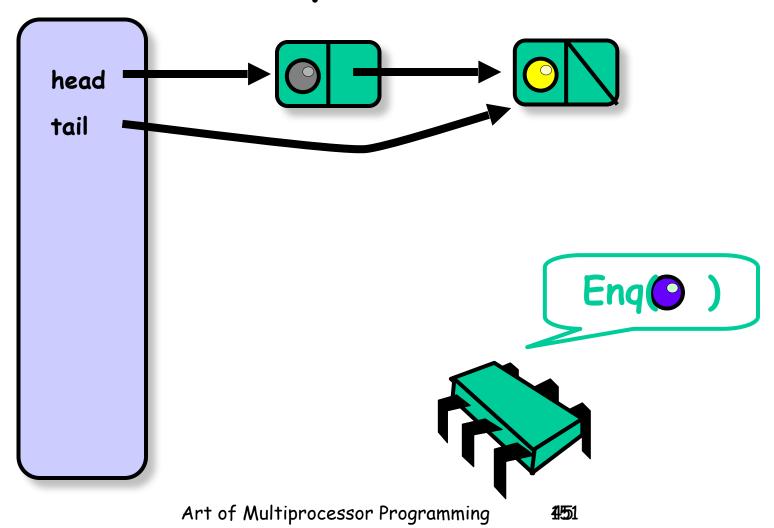
#### Nonblocking

- No need to provide conditions on which to wait

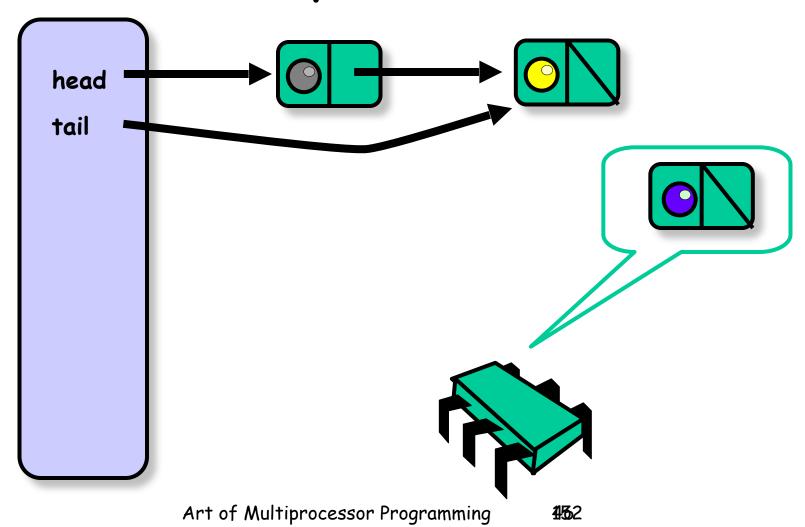
# A Lock-Free Queue



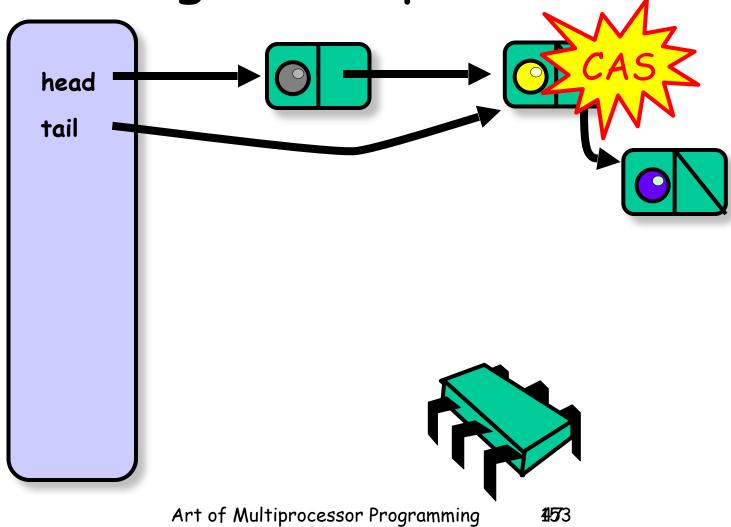
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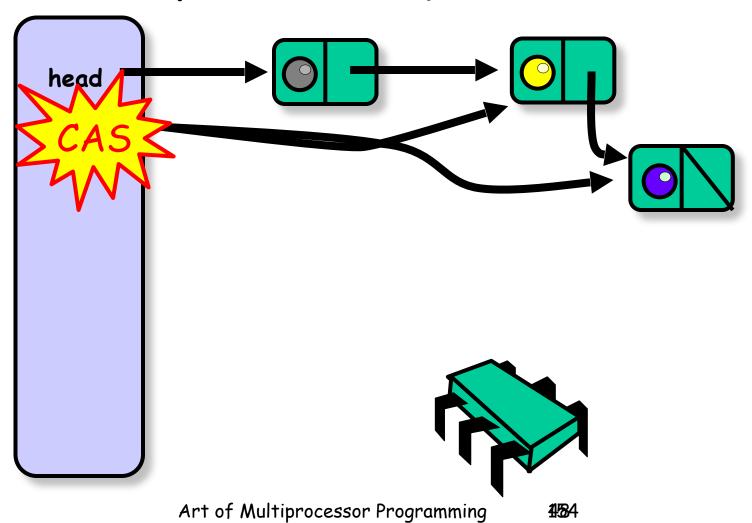
# Enqueue



Logical Enqueue



# Physical Enqueue



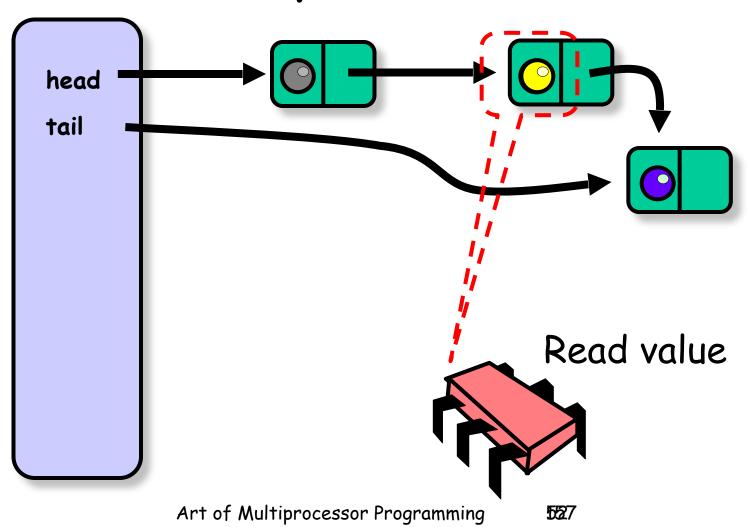
# Enqueue

- These two steps are not atomic
- The tail field refers to either
  - Actual last Node (good)
  - Penultimate Node (not so good)
- Be prepared!
- (For you to think about) How could you fix that?

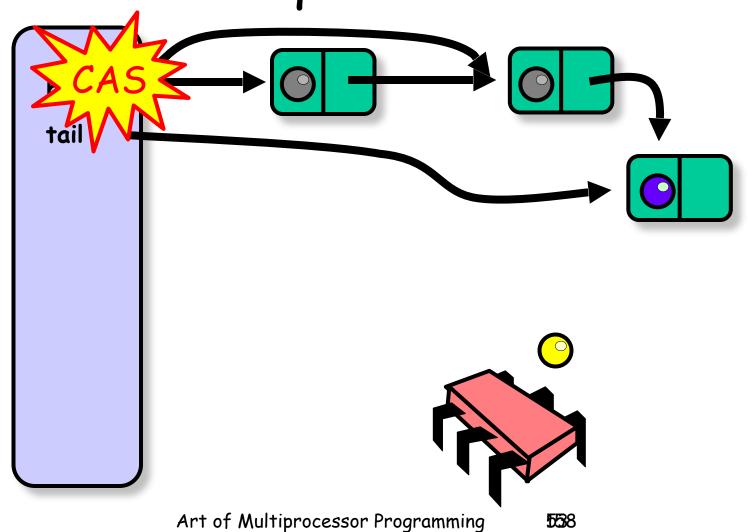
#### When CASs Fail

- During logical enqueue
  - Abandon hope, restart
  - Still lock-free (why?)
- During physical enqueue
  - Ignore it (why?)

# Dequeuer



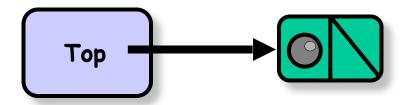
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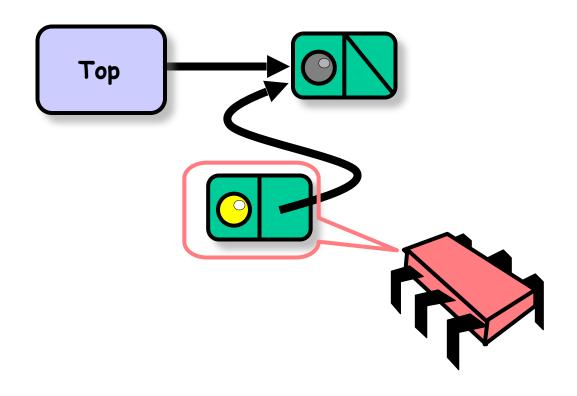


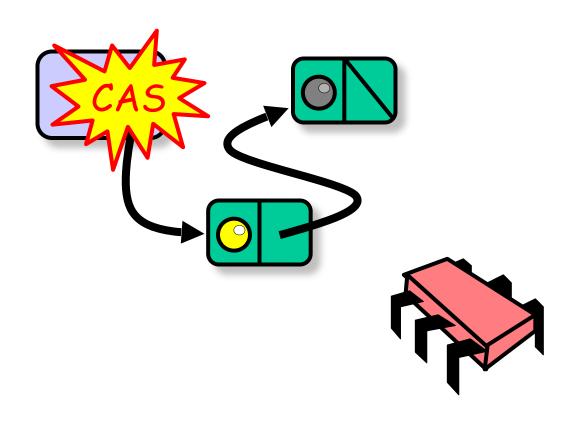
#### Concurrent Stack

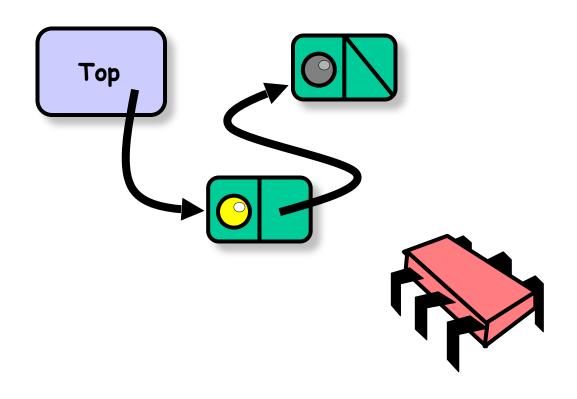
- Methods
  - push(x)
  - pop()
- · Last-in, First-out (LIFO) order
- · Lock-Free!

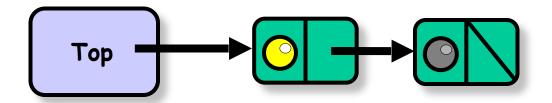
# Empty Stack

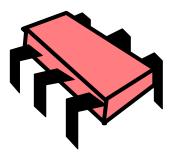


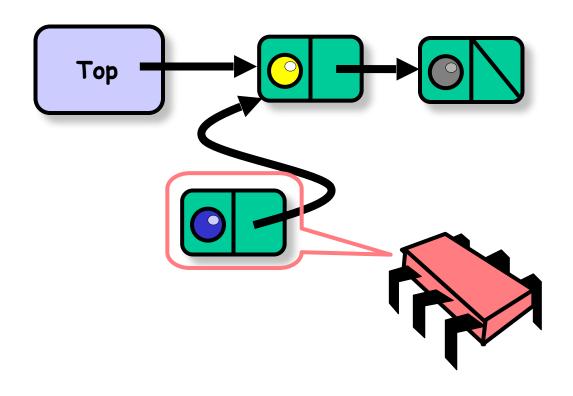


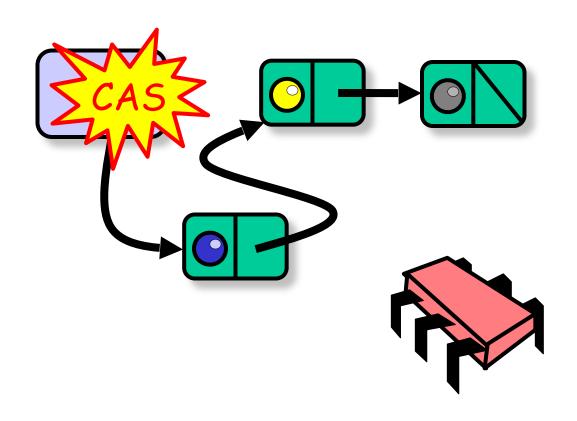


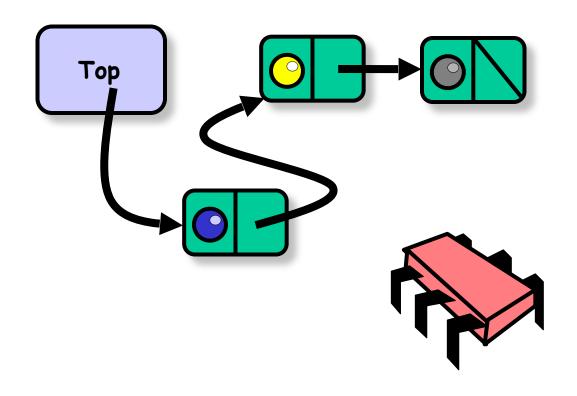


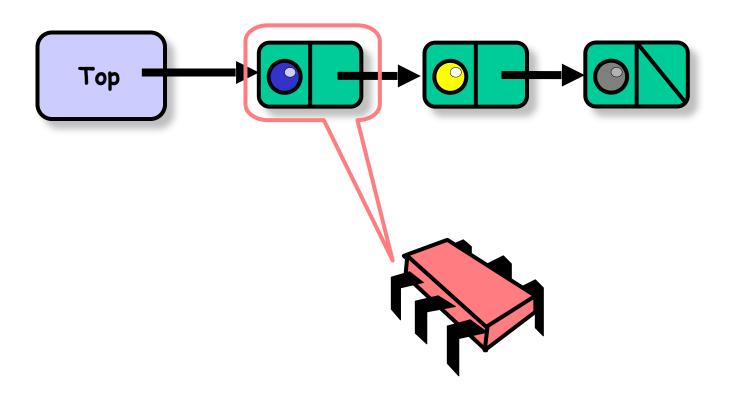


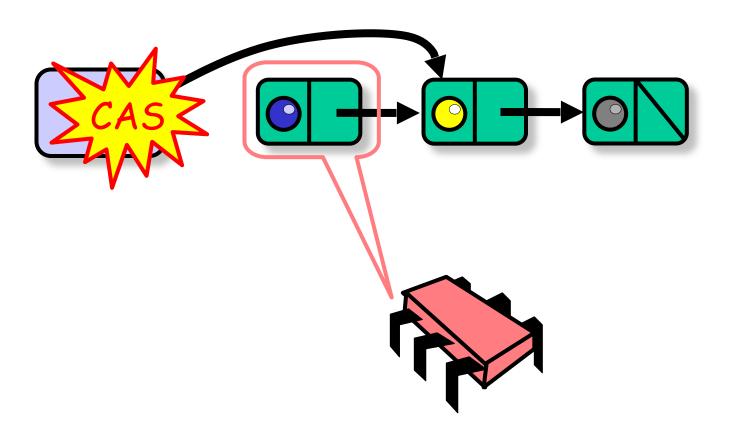


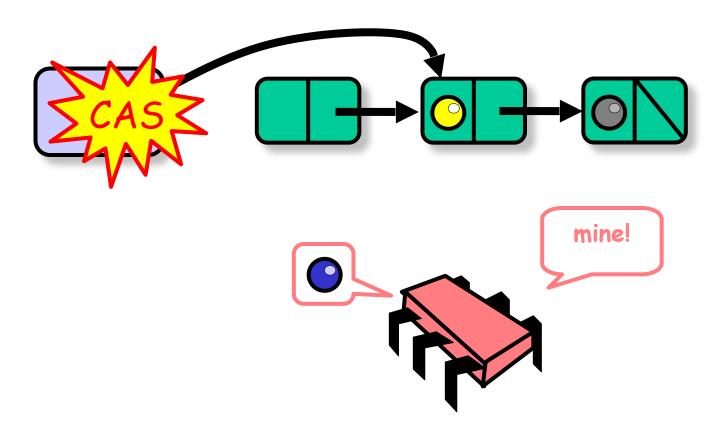


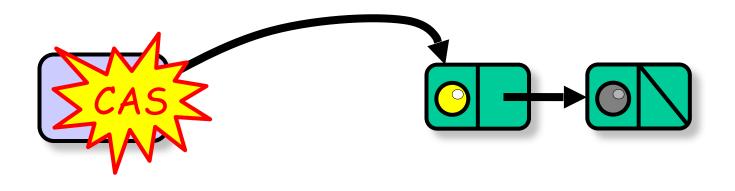


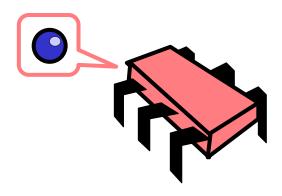


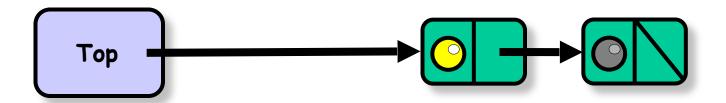


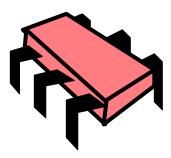












```
public class LockFreeStack {
 private AtomicReference top =
   new AtomicReference(null);
 public boolean tryPush(Node node){
   Node oldTop = top.get();
   node.next = oldTop;
   return(top.compareAndSet(oldTop, node))
 public void push(T value) {
 Node node = new Node(value);
   while (true) {
     if (tryPush(node)) {
      return;
     } else backoff.backoff();
```

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return(top.compareAndSet(oldTop/node))
public void push(T value) {
  Node node = new Node(value)
  while (true) {
     tryPush attempts to push a node
       return:
     } else backoff.backoff()
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return(top.compareAndSet(oldTop
                                  node))
public void push(T value) {
 Node node = new Node(value);
 while (true) {
                     Read top value
     if (tryPush(node),
      return:
     } else backoff.backoff()
```

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public boolean tryPush(Node node){
     Node oldTop = top.get();
     node.next - oldTap;
return(top.compareAndSet(oldTop, node))
public void push(T value) {
 Node node = new Node(value);
 while (true) {
    current top will be new node's successor
      return:
     } else backoff.backoff()
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 public void push(T value) {
  Node node = new Node(value);
  while (true) {
Try to swing top, return success or failure
      } else backoff.backoff()
```

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 while (true) {
    if (tryPush(node)) {
Push calls tryPush
     } else backoff.backoff()
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 while (true) {
     if (tryPush(node)) {
                   Create new node
      return:
     } else backoff.backoff()
```

```
public class LockFreeStack {
 private AtomicReference top = new
AtomicReference(null);
public boolean tryP

If tryPush() fails,
     node.next = cback off before retrying
return(top.compareAndSet(oldTop, node))
   tic voia push( i value
 Node node = new Node(value);
 while (true) {
     if (tryPush(node)) {
      return;
     } else backoff.backoff()
```

#### Unbounded Lock-Free Stack

```
protected boolean tryPush (Node node)
 Node oldTop = top.get();
  node.next = oldTop;
  return (top.compareAndSet(oldTop, node));
public void push( T value )
 Node node = new Node ( value );
  while (true) {
    if (tryPush(node)) { return; }
    else { backoff.backoff( ); }
```

```
protected Node tryPop() throws EmptyException
  Node oldTop = top.get();
  if ( oldTop == null ) {
    throw new EmptyException();
  Node newTop = oldTop.next;
  if ( top.compareAndSet( oldTop, newTop ) ) {
    return oldTop;
  } else { return null; }
public T pop() throws EmptyException {
  while (true) {
    Node returnNode = tryPop();
    if ( returnNode != null ) {
      return returnNode.value;
    } else { backoff.backoff( ); }
```

- · Good
  - No locking
- Bad
  - Without GC, fear ABA
  - Without backoff, huge contention at top
  - In any case, no parallelism

## Question

- Are stacks inherently sequential?
- Reasons why
  - Every pop() call fights for top item
- Reasons why not
  - Think about it!