

Complexity of queues

Enqueue

Array or linked list is $O(1)$. It's constant because we have a tail pointer, just add and update. Until queue is full, then double array, or item not added.

Dequeue

$O(1)$ for removing from linked list or circular array. $O(n)$ if array shifting needed for non-circular.

Stacks

With queues, we want to maintain order as first-in, first-out.

There is another data structure we use when we want to process data as last-in, first-out.

It's called a stack.

Stack is last-in,
first-out, LIFO

Put words
on Stack

Add words
from bottom
to top,

much like
a stack
of cafeteria
plates

top

8	animal
7	favorite
6	my
5	much
4	pretty
3	its
2	liger
1	A

bottom

Remove from
top only

animal favorite my
much pretty its liger A.

When we add to stack,
we say "push" onto the
stack.

When we remove from
the stack, we "pop"
off the stack.

Always push and pop
to top of stack.

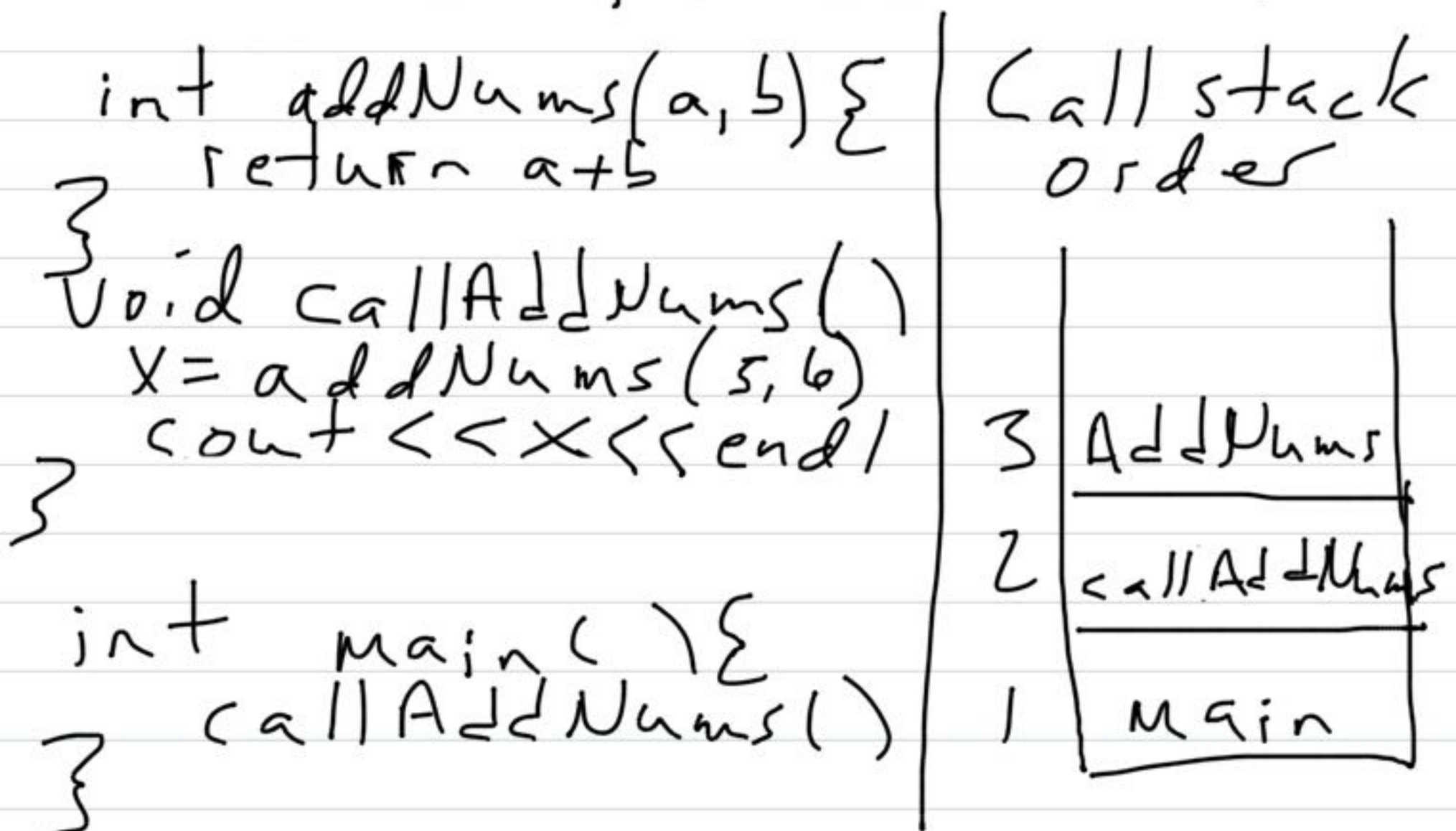
We'll look at array and
linked list implementation,
but stack (and queue)
doesn't have to be either.

Example: Where stacks are used.

Computer Program execution

Commands pushed on to the Stack, then popped off when executed.

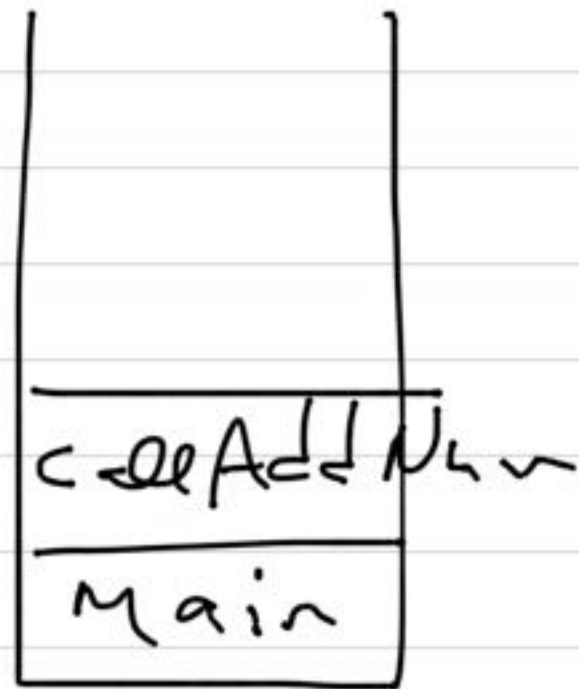
Simplified function example



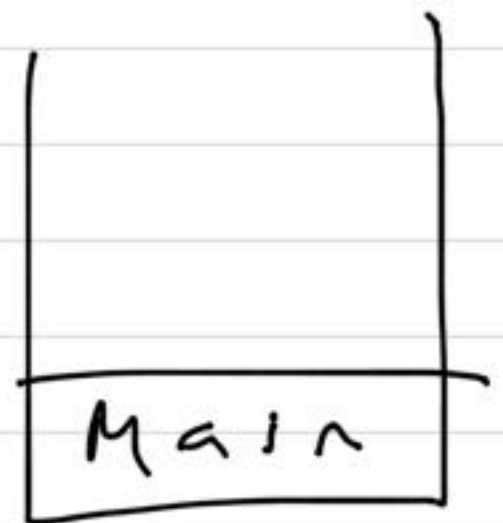
Main added to stack first,
then call AddNums, then
AddNums.

After AddNums
done :

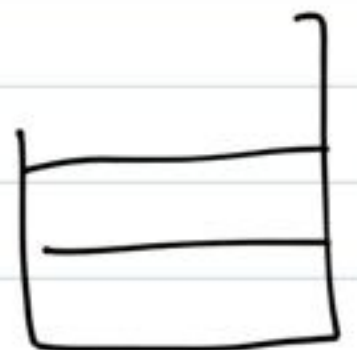
AddNums popped off
stack. We return
to callAddNums



After callAddNums
done,
only main
left on the stack.
We return to
main



When main done,
call stack is empty



Just like a queue, a stack can be implemented with an array or linked list, or any number of other ways.

Array implementation

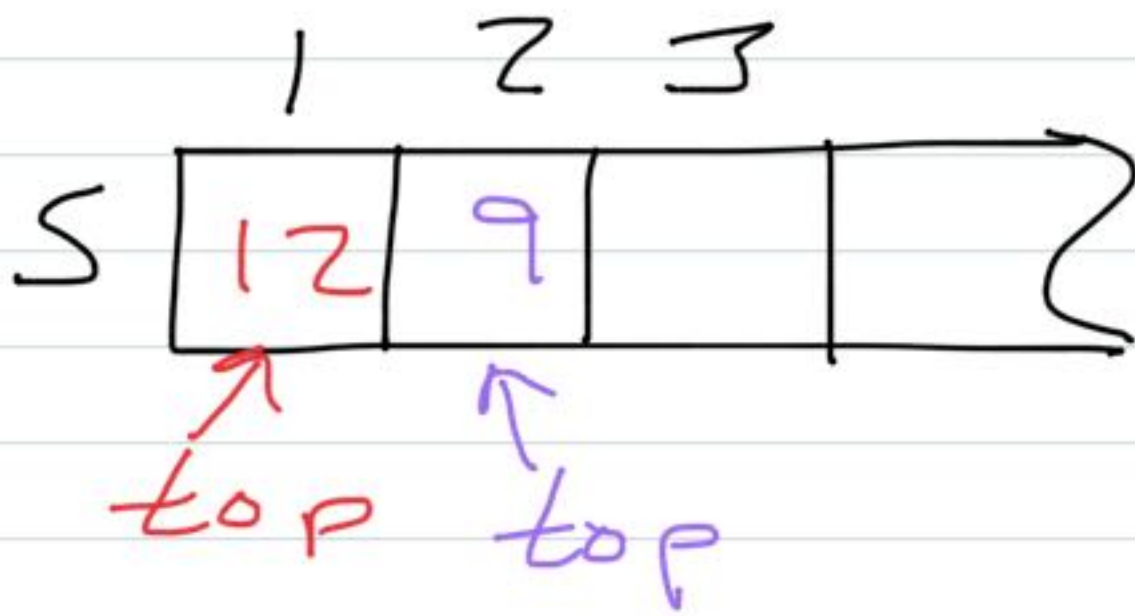
Start with empty stack



Pseudocode:

$top = 0$

$Push(S, v)$ // S is stack, v is value
 $S.top = S.top + 1$
 $S[S.top] = v$



$top = 0$

Push(12)

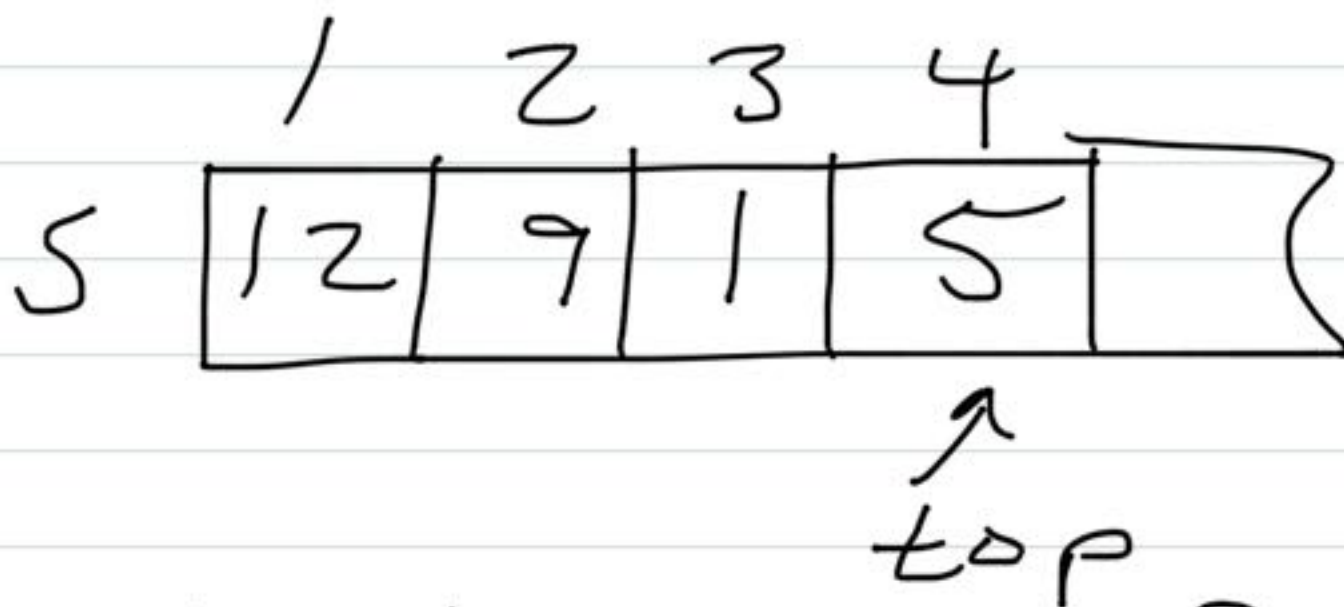
$top = 1$

$S[1] = 12$

Push(9)

$top = 2$

$S[2] = 9$



4 items on the stack
 $S[1 \dots S.top]$ are
 contents of the
 stack.

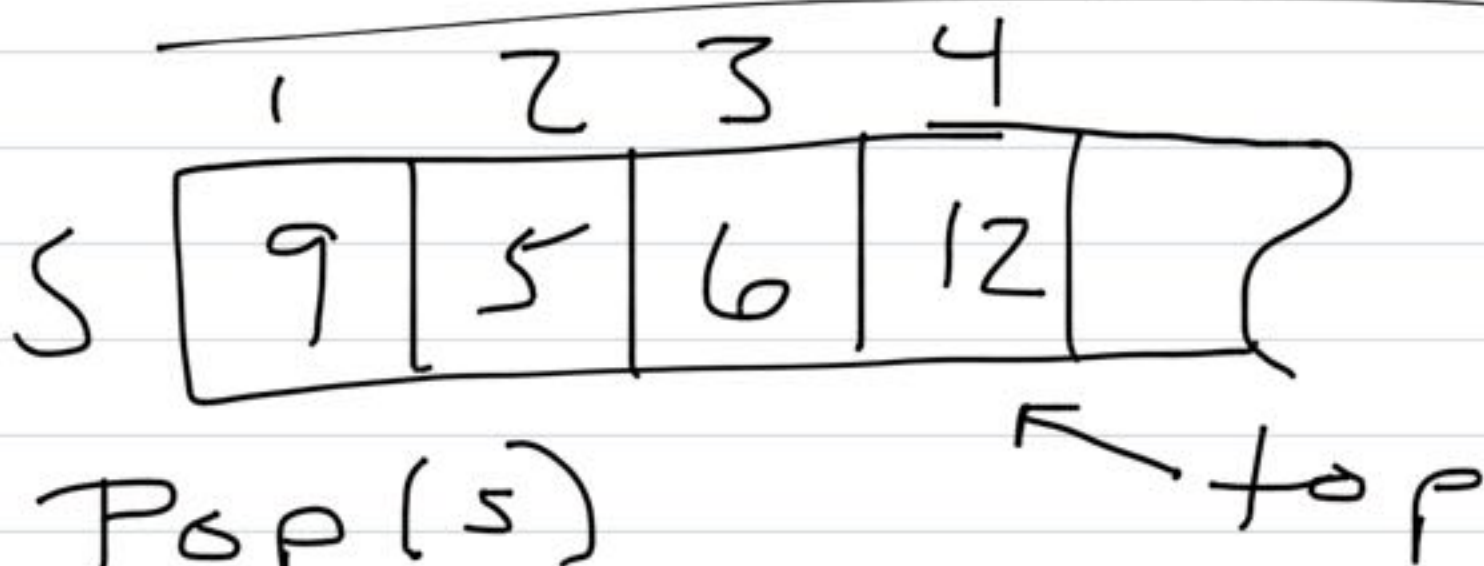
When $S.top = 0$,
 stack is empty

When $S.top = n$, stack
 is full (n is array
 size)

When $S.top > n$,
 we say stack overflow,

Pseudocode doesn't
address stack
overflow

Remove from stack



Pop(S)

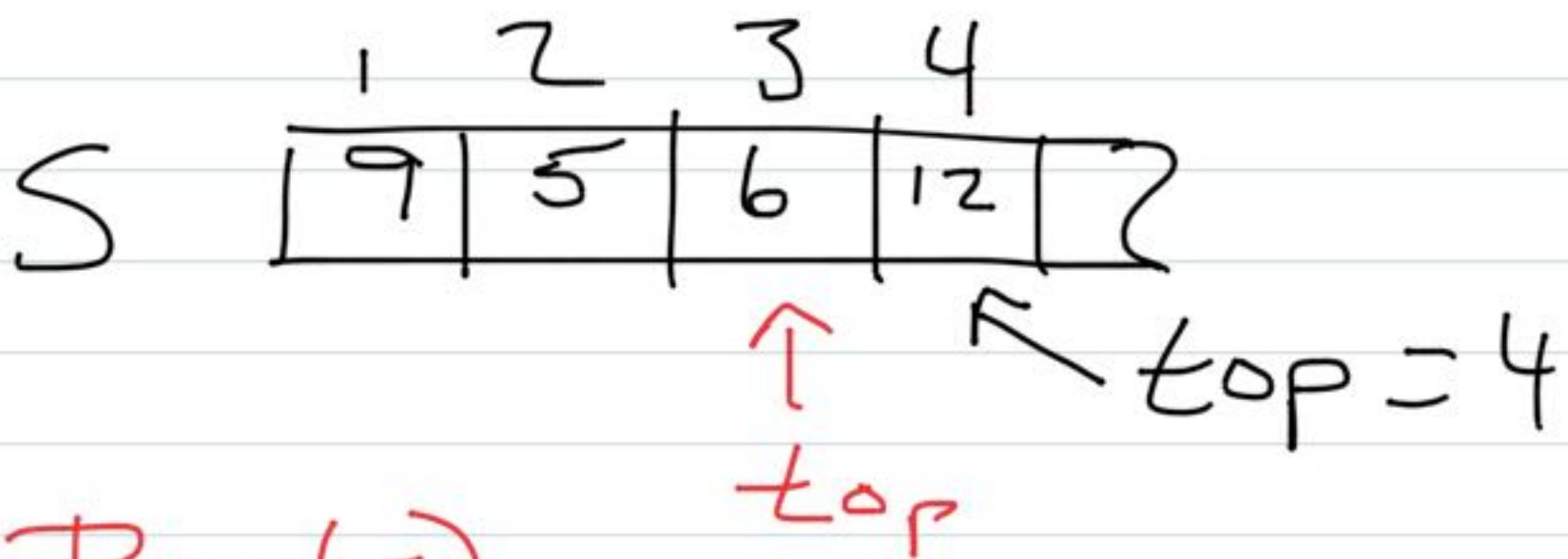
if $S.top == 0$

 "underflow error"

else

$top = top - 1$

return $S[S.top + 1]$



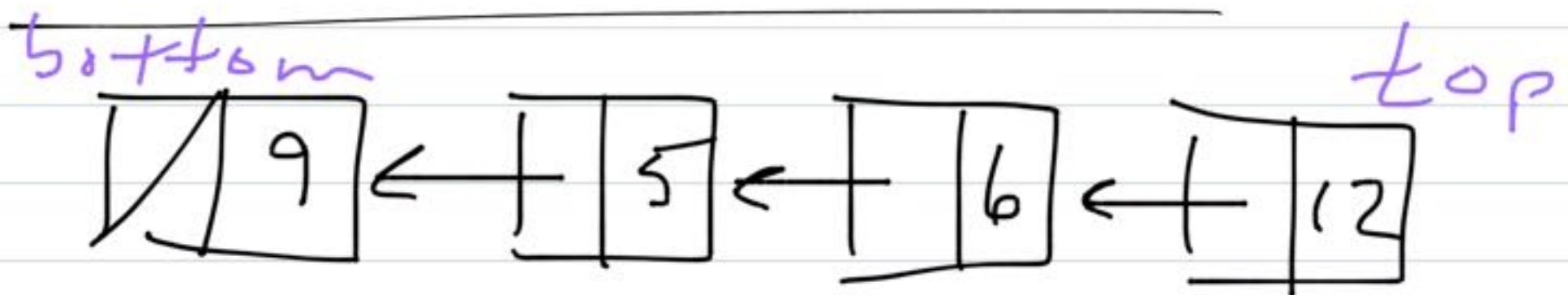
Pop(S)

set top = 3

return S[4] // top + 1
= 12

The algorithm in your book decrements the top first, then returns the value for where the top just was

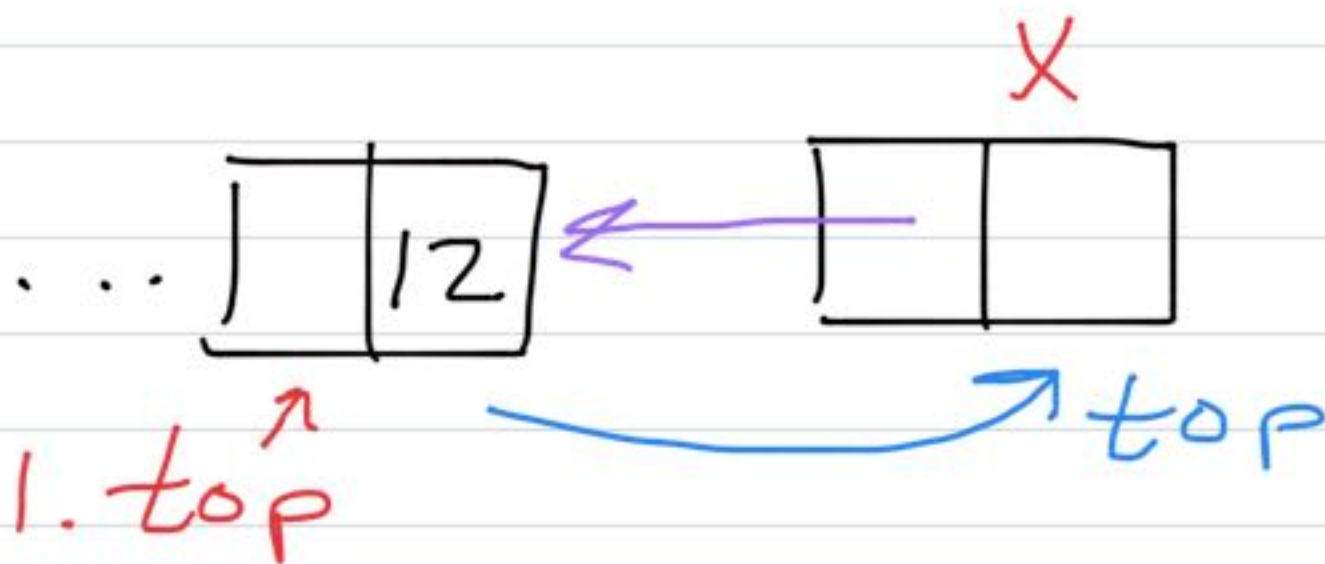
Linked List implementation of a stack



Each node contains
link to the previous,
Singly linked list

The node at the bottom
has a previous pointer
to NULL.

$\text{Push}(L, x)$ // L is linked list, x is new node.
 $x.\text{previous} = L.\text{top}$
 $L.\text{top} = x$



2. Set $x.\text{previous} = L.\text{top}$
3. Move $L.\text{top}$ to x

With a linked list, we're adding/removing a node, different than array where it's a value.

Pop(L)

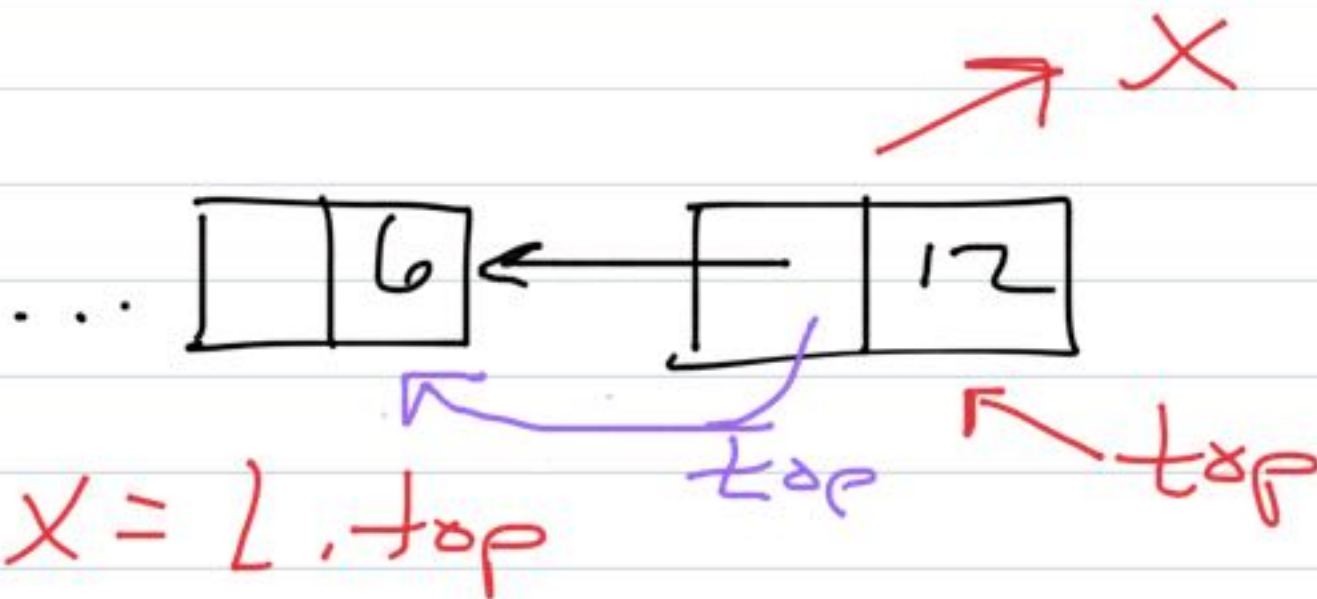
if L.top == "NULL"
"underflow"

else

x = L.top

L.top = L.top.prev

return x



Move L.top to L.top.prev

(Delete L.top)