

# Programming with Data Structures

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# Upcoming Schedule

- **Lecture 7** (today)
  - Array-based Stack
- **Lecture 8** (next lecture)
  - Linked Stack, Postfix expression
- **Next week**
  - Tuesday Feb 16: (Mon schedule)
  - Wednesday Feb 17: first mid-term 7-9pm ILC N151

# Today's topics

- The **Iterable** and **Iterator** Interfaces
- The Stack Interfaces
- Array Stack Implementation

# Iterator

- An **iterator** is an object that allows you to traverse the elements in a collection one-by-one, regardless of how the collection is implemented.
- The **iterator** interface has three methods:
  - **hasNext()**: returns true if the collection has more elements to traverse, false otherwise.
  - **next()**: returns the next element. To get all elements, call this repeatedly. If there is no more element (**hasNext()** returns false), this method throws **NoSuchElementException**.
  - **remove()**: removes the last returned element.

# Iterator and Iterable

- Example (let's say object **list** stores a collection of **type T** objects, doesn't matter how stored)

```
Iterator<T> iter = list.iterator();  
while (iter.hasNext()) {  
    T element = iter.next();  
    ...  
}
```

- To do so, **list** must be an instance of a class that implements the **Iterable<T>** interface, which contains just one method that returns the iterator:

```
Iterator<T> iterator();
```

# Putting it Together

- Let's say `List<T>` is a generic class that stores a collection of type `T` objects, and it implements the `Iterable<T>` interface:

```
class List<T> implements Iterable<T> {  
    public Iterator<T> iterator() {  
        return new ListIterator<T>(...);  
    }  
    // variables, constructors, other methods  
}
```

- Note the `iterator()` above returns a `ListIterator<T>` object, which implements the `Iterator<T>` interface. It might look like this:

# Putting it Together

```
class ListIterator<T> implements Iterator<T>
{
    public boolean hasNext() {...}
    public T next() {...}
    public void remove() {...}
    // variables, constructors, other methods
}
```

- Here `ListIterator<T>` is aware of the specific implementation details of `List<T>` and provides the above methods to traverse the collection of objects.
- Reference to the `List<T>` object is typically passed in through the constructor.

# Putting it Together

```
List<String> list = new List<String>();  
... ..  
Iterator<String> ite = list.iterator();  
// ite is of class ListIterator<String>  
while (ite.hasNext()) {  
    String e = ite.next();  
    ... ..  
}
```

- In fact, there is an easier way to traverse the list:

```
for(String e : list) {  
    ... ..  
}
```



# Summary

```
List<String> list = new List<String>( );  
  
... ..  
for(String e : list) {  
    ... ..  
}
```

- A class (e.g. List) can implement the `Iterable` interface. If so it must implement the `iterator()` method that returns an iterator object.
- The iterator implements the `Iterator` interface, and provides the `hasNext()`, `next()`, and `remove()` methods.
- To traverse the elements in an iterable object (e.g. a List object), you can use the `for( : )` loop as above.

# The Two Stack Interfaces

- DJW define two Stack interfaces in order to have both **bounded** and **unbounded** stacks.
- `BoundedSI<T>` and `UnboundedSI<T>` differ in that only `BoundedSI<T>` has an `isFull` method, and they have different `throws` clauses.
- Note that DJW's `pop( )` does **not** return the element popped -- you have to get it with "top" first if you want to save it. This is done to completely separate transformers with observers.

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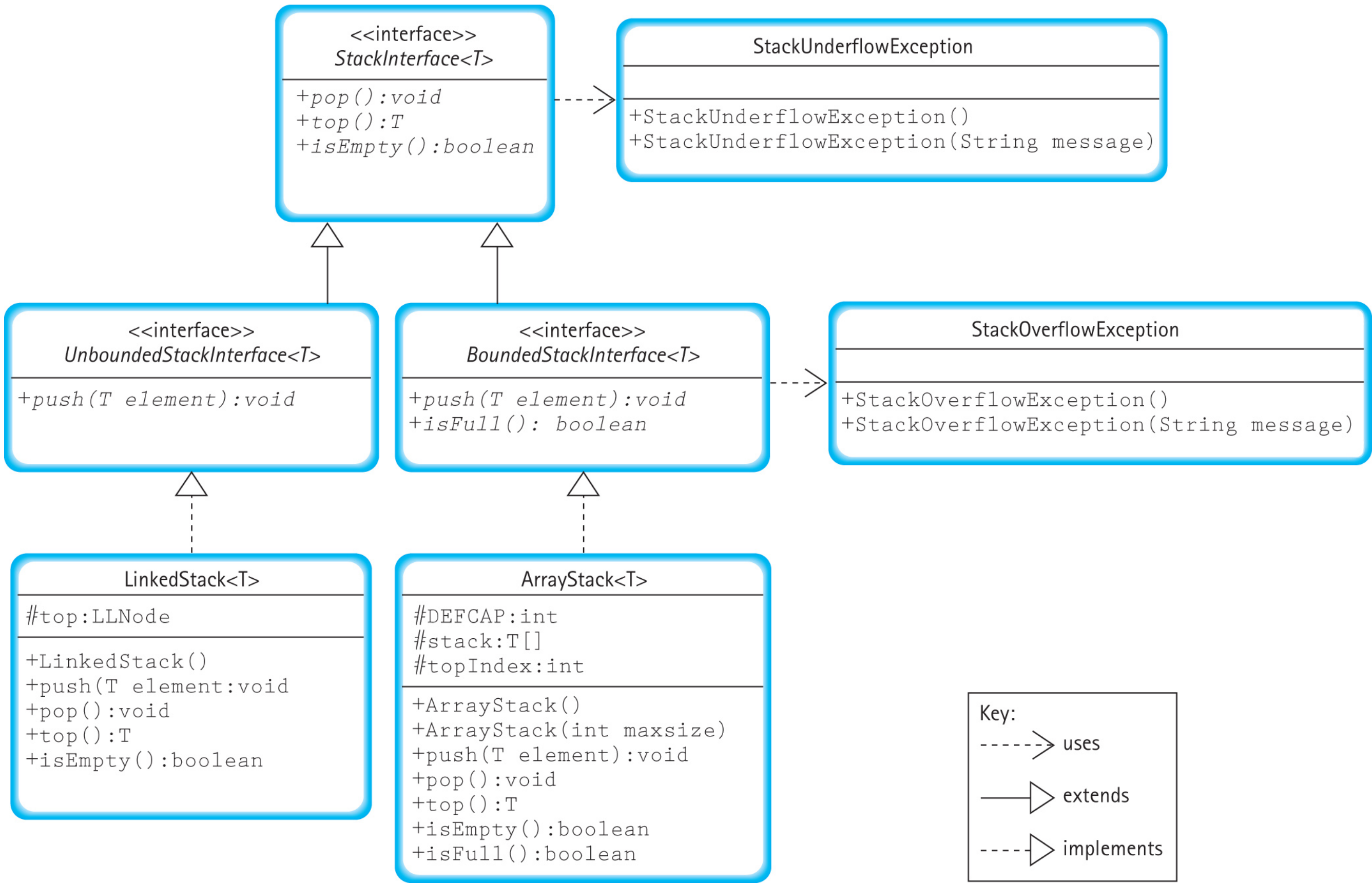
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    void pop( ) throws StackUnderflowException;  
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```
public interface BoundedSI<T> extends StackInterface<T> {  
    void push(T element) throws StackOverflowException;  
    boolean isFull( );  
}
```

```
public interface UnboundedSI<T> extends StackInterface<T>  
{  
    void push(T element);  
}
```



# Idea of the Implementation

- In our first Stack implementation, we will use an array as the underlying storage structure, and name it `ArrayStack<T>`.
- Since an array has fixed size, `ArrayStack<T>` will implement the `BoundedStackInterface` rather than `UnboundedStackInterface`.

# Exceptions in ArrayStack

- `push()` will throw a **StackOverflowException** if it's called when the array is already full.
  - `isFull()` method is provided to allow the user to check before calling `push()`.
- `pop()`, `top()` will throw **StackUnderflowException** if they are called when the stack is empty.
  - `isEmpty()` method is provided to allow the user to check before calling `pop()` or `top()`.

# Exceptions in ArrayStack

- In the textbook, both `StackOverflowException` and `StackUnderflowException` are classes that extends Java's **`RuntimeException`** class.
- Such classes are called **unchecked** exceptions, meaning methods that throw such exceptions do not need to declare them in the signature, and callers are not required to `try-catch` them.
- Some common unchecked exceptions include `NullPointerException`, `IndexOutOfBoundsException`, `NoSuchElementException`.



# Exceptions in ArrayStack

- Other exceptions (such as extended from the `Exception` class) are called **checked** exceptions.
- Methods that throw such exceptions must declare them in the signature; and they must be explicitly handled, meaning callers must either wrap these methods in `try-catch` statement, or throw it further up.
- A common checked exception is `IOException`.
- As confusing as it may sound, `RuntimeException` itself is a subclass of `Exception`.

# Code for the Data Fields

```
public class ArrayStack<T> implements
    BoundedStackInterface<T> {
    // default capacity
    protected final int DEFCAP = 100;
    // holds stack elements
    protected T[ ] stack;
    // index of top element
    protected int topIndex = -1;
}
```

- We have just three data fields, a constant, an array, and index (same as in `ArrayStringLog`).

# Data Fields for ArrayStack

- As before, the convention we use here is: `topIndex` points to the element at the top of the stack. It's initialized to `-1` indicating the stack is empty at the moment.
- When `topIndex` is equal to `stack.length-1`, it has reached the capacity of the array, hence the stack is full.

# Observers for ArrayStack

```
public boolean isEmpty( ) {  
    return (topIndex == -1);  
}  
public boolean isFull( ) {  
    return (topIndex == (stack.length-1));  
}  
public int size( ) {  
    return topIndex + 1;  
}
```

# Constructors for ArrayStack

- **Conceptually**, we want to do this:

```
public class ArrayStack<T> implements  
    BoundedStackInterface<T> {
```

... ..

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}
```

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- **However**, Java **does not** allow you to create a generic array (i.e. with a to-be-decided type).

# Casting to a Generic Type

- The work-around is to create an array of type **Object** (i.e. the super-class of all Java objects), and **explicitly cast** the resulting array into type **T[ ]**.
- The compiler will warn us about Type Safety (that it cannot be sure the elements stored in the array are of type T), but we will ignore this warning.
- This makes sense because in an array of objects, each element is merely a reference (pointer). Whether it's an array of Strings, Apples, Objects, the array takes the same amount of memory space.

# Code for the Constructors

```
public ArrayStack( ) {  
    stack = (T[ ]) new Object[DEFCAP];  
}
```

```
public ArrayStack(int maxSize) {  
    stack = (T[ ]) new Object[maxSize];  
}
```

- As before we have two constructors, one with no parameter that uses the default capacity, and one with a custom capacity as parameter.



# Code for push

```
public void push (T element) {  
    if (!isFull( )) {  
        topIndex++;  
        stack[topIndex] = element;  
    } else throw new StackOverflowException  
        ("push to full stack");  
}
```

# The `pop ( )` method

- Remember that DJW, unlike other stack implementations, separate the transformer `pop` from the observer `top`.
  - `pop` just discards the top element,
  - `top` returns the top element
- We'll implement the methods using DJW's vocabulary.

# Code for pop ( )

```
public void pop( ) {  
    if (!isEmpty( )) {  
        stack[topIndex] = null; // releases reference  
        topIndex--;  
    } else throw new StackUnderflowException  
        ("pop empty stack");  
}
```

# Code for top( )

```
public T top( ) {  
    T topOfStack = null;  
    if (!isEmpty( ))  
        topOfStack = stack[topIndex];  
    else throw new StackUnderflowException  
        ("top of empty stack");  
    return topOfStack;  
}
```

# Java's `ArrayList` Class

- It would be nice if the array capacity is not fixed!
- At the end of the Linked List lecture, we briefly mentioned arrays that can dynamically expand, thus overcoming the 'fixed capacity' limitation.
- Java provides several variable-length generic array structures, such as `ArrayList<T>`. It begins with some fixed capacity, but the capacity is reached, it copies itself into another array of twice the size, thus *appears* to be an array of unlimited size.

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  - Same thing happens as the 21st element is added.
  - By the time we have 81 elements we have done four capacity 'expansions': to 20, 40, 80, and 160.

# The `ArrayListStack` Class

- You can use Java's `ArrayList` to implement `Stack`. Then it won't be bounded and hence can implement the `UnboundedStackInterface`.
- DJW give code for an `ArrayListStack<T>` class on pages 192-3. It uses the `add` and `remove` methods of `ArrayList` to implement `push` and `pop` respectively, and its code is otherwise similar to that of `ArrayStack<T>`.