

Data Structures & Algorithms in C++

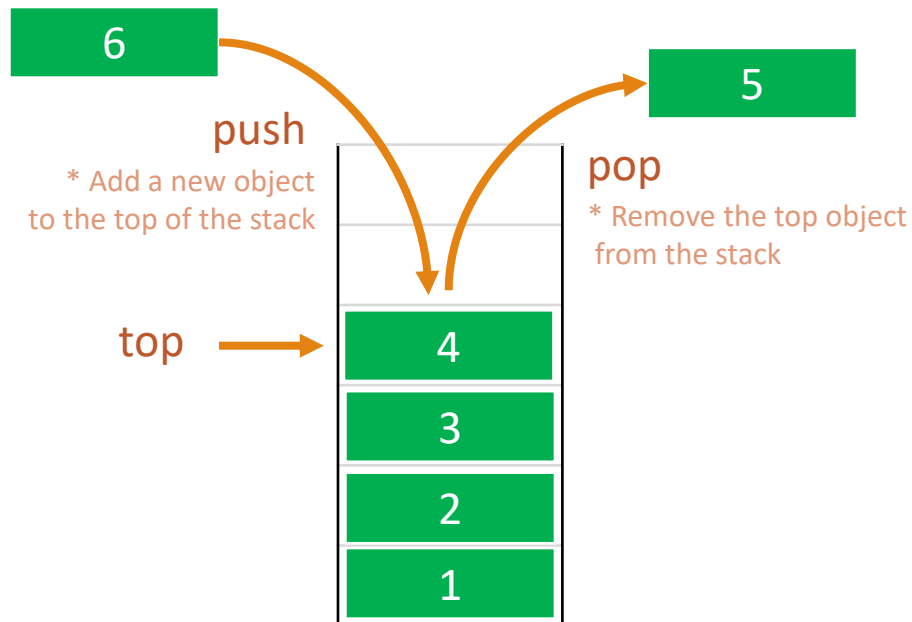
WEEK 05

Chap 5. Stacks, Queues, and Deques

- Stacks
- Queues
- Deques (Double-Ended Queues)
- A Maze Problem (not in textbook)

Stacks

- A Stack is a one-ended linear data structure which models a real world stack by having two primary operations, namely **push** and **pop**



- When and where is a Stack used?
 - Used by undo mechanism in text editors
 - Used in compiler syntax checking for matching brackets and braces
 - Can be used to model a pile of books or plates
 - Used behind the scenes to support recursion by keeping track of previous function calls
 - Can be used to do a Depth First Search (DFS) on a graph

Stacks

- Abstract Data Types (ADTs)

- An abstract data type (ADT) is an abstraction of a data structure
- Example: ADT modeling a simple stock trading system
 - The data stored are buy/sell orders
 - The operations supported are
 - order **buy**(stock, shares, price)
 - order **sell**(stock, shares, price)
 - void **cancel**(order)
 - Error conditions:
 - Buy/sell a nonexistent stock
 - Cancel a nonexistent order
- Using various ADTs as building blocks to handle data efficiently
 - **Stacks** : could be used to track trading history or undo operations
 - **Queues** : might manage orders waiting to be processed
 - **Lists/Dictionarys** : could store stock information, prices, and customer portfolios

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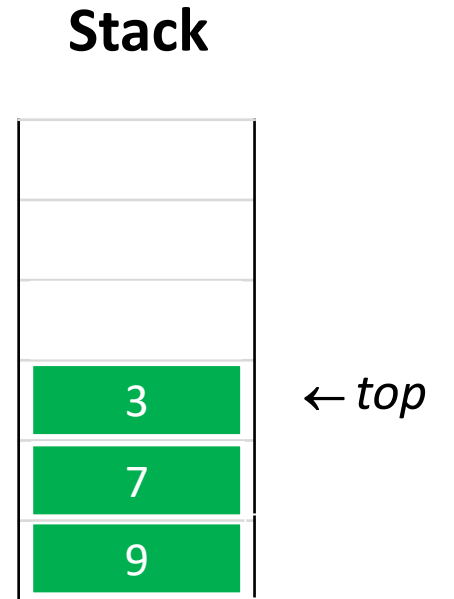
- The Stack ADT

- The **Stack** ADT stores arbitrary objects
- Insertions and deletions follow the **Last-In First-Out (LIFO)** scheme
- Think of a spring-loaded plate dispenser
- Main stack operations:
 - **push**(e): add element e at the top
 - **pop**(): remove the top element (Error : if empty)
 - **top**(): return the top element without removing it (Error : if empty)
- Auxiliary stack operations:
 - **size**(): return the number of elements in the stack
 - **empty**(): check if the stack is empty (return true/false)

Stacks

- Example of Stack Operation

Operation	Output	Stack Contents	Operation	Output	Stack Contents
push(5)	—	(5)	push(9)	—	(9)
push(3)	—	(5,3)	push(7)	—	(9,7)
pop()	—	(5)	push(3)	—	(9,7,3)
push(7)	—	(5,7)	push(5)	—	(9,7,3,5)
pop()	—	(5)	size()	4	(9,7,3,5)
top()	5	(5)	pop()	—	(9,7,3)
pop()	—	()	push(8)	—	(9,7,3,8)
pop()	“error”	()	pop()	—	(9,7,3)
top()	“error”	()	top()	3	(9,7,3)
empty()	true	()			



Stacks

- Stack Interface in C++

- Stack ADT (different from the built-in C++ STL class stack)
 - Focuses on the API (Application Programming Interface)
 - Describes public members and their usage but excludes private data members
 - Member functions “size”, “empty”, and “top” are declared as **const**, ensuring they don't alter the stack's contents

```
template <typename E>
class Stack {                                // an interface for a stack
public:
    int size() const;                        // number of items in stack
    bool empty() const;                     // is the stack empty?
    const E& top() const throw(StackEmpty); // the top element
    void push(const E& e);                  // push x onto the stack
    void pop() throw(StackEmpty);           // remove the top element
};
```

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- Exceptions

- Attempting the execution of an operation of ADT may sometimes cause an error condition, called an exception
- Exceptions are said to be “thrown” by an operation that cannot be executed
- In the Stack ADT, operations **pop** and **top** cannot be performed if the stack is empty
- Attempting pop or top on an empty stack throws a **StackEmpty** exception

```
// Exception thrown on performing top or pop of an empty stack.  
class StackEmpty : public RuntimeException {  
public:  
    StackEmpty(const string& err) : RuntimeException(err) {}  
};
```


Stacks

- Applications

- Direct applications
 - Page-visited history in a Web browser
 - Undo sequence in a text editor
 - Chain of method calls in the C++ run-time system
- Indirect applications
 - Auxiliary data structure for algorithms
 - Component of other data structures

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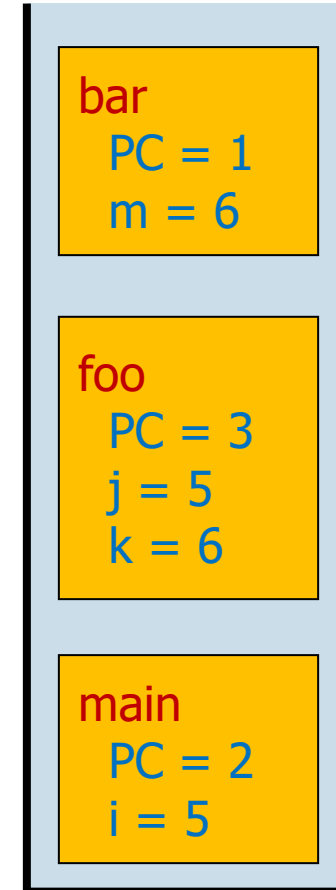
- C++ Run-Time Stack

- The C++ run-time system keeps track of the chain of active functions with a stack
- When a function is called, the system pushes on the stack a frame containing
 - Local variables and return value
 - Program counter, keeping track of the statement being executed
- When the function ends, its frame is popped from the stack and control is passed to the function on top of the stack
- Allows for **recursion**

```
main() {  
    int i = 5;  
    foo(i);  
}
```

```
foo(int j) {  
    int k;  
    k = j+1;  
    bar(k);  
}
```

```
bar(int m) {  
    ...  
}
```



Stacks

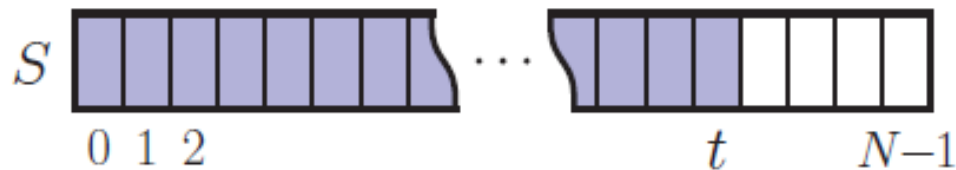
- Array-based Stack

➤ Structures

- Use an N -element array (S) and an integer variable t
- t presents the index of the top element in the array
- Initial value of t : -1 (indicating the stack is empty)
- Size of stack : $t + 1$

➤ Algorithms

- `size()` : returns $t+1$
- `empty()`: returns true if $t < 0$; otherwise false



Algorithm `size()`:

return $t + 1$

Algorithm `empty()`:

return $(t < 0)$

Algorithm `top()`:

if `empty()` **then**

 throw StackEmpty exception

return $S[t]$

Algorithm `push(e)`:

if `size() = N` **then**

 throw StackFull exception

$t \leftarrow t + 1$

$S[t] \leftarrow e$

Algorithm `pop()`:

if `empty()` **then**

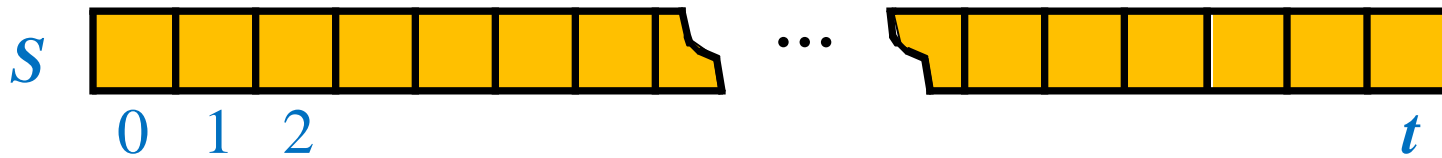
 throw StackEmpty exception

$t \leftarrow t - 1$

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- Array-based Stack (cont.)

- Exception Handling
 - **StackFull** : Signals an error when attempting to push onto a full stack
 - **StackEmpty** : Signals an error for top or pop operations on an empty stack
- A push operation will throw a **StackFull** exception
 - Limitation of the array-based implementation
 - Not intrinsic to the Stack ADT



Algorithm size():

return $t + 1$

Algorithm empty():

return $(t < 0)$

Algorithm top():

if empty() then

throw StackEmpty exception

return $S[t]$

Algorithm push(e):

if size() = N then

throw StackFull exception

$t \leftarrow t + 1$

$S[t] \leftarrow e$

Algorithm pop():

if empty() then

throw StackEmpty exception

$t \leftarrow t - 1$

Stacks

- Performance and Limitations

➤ Performance

- Let n be the number of elements in the stack
- The space used is $O(n)$
- Each operation (size, empty, top, push, pop) runs in time $O(1)$

➤ Limitations

- The maximum size of the stack must be defined a priori and cannot be changed
- Trying to push a new element into a full stack causes an implementation-specific exception

- Array-based Stack in C++

Class Definition

- A constructor with a default capacity (DEF_CAPACITY)
- Utilize default arguments and an enumeration for simplicity
- Storage is a dynamically allocated array of type E

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Stacks

- Array-based Stack in C++ (cont.)

➤ Member Functions

■ `top()` and `pop()`:

- Check if the stack is empty before proceeding
- Throw “StackEmpty” exception if empty

■ `push(e)`:

- Check if the stack is full before adding elements
- Throw “StackFull” exception if full

➤ Implementation Notes

- Constructor initialize array storage, capacity, and the top index (*t*)

```
template <typename E> ArrayStack<E>::ArrayStack(int cap)
: S(new E[cap]), capacity(cap), t(-1) { } // constructor from capacity
```

```
template <typename E> int ArrayStack<E>::size() const
{ return (t + 1); } // number of items in the stack
```

```
template <typename E> bool ArrayStack<E>::empty() const
{ return (t < 0); } // is the stack empty?
```

```
template <typename E> // return top of stack
const E& ArrayStack<E>::top() const throw(StackEmpty) {
    if (empty()) throw StackEmpty("Top of empty stack");
    return S[t];
}
```

```
template <typename E> // push element onto the stack
void ArrayStack<E>::push(const E& e) throw(StackFull) {
    if (size() == capacity) throw StackFull("Push to full stack");
    S[++t] = e;
}
```

```
template <typename E> // pop the stack
void ArrayStack<E>::pop() throw(StackEmpty) {
    if (empty()) throw StackEmpty("Pop from empty stack");
    --t;
}
```

Stacks

- Example use in C++

➤ Limitations of ArrayStack

- Default capacity “N=100” is arbitrary but adjustable in the constructor
- Waste of memory if actual usage is less than N
- Stack Overflow if more elements are pushed than the capacity

➤ Enhancements : using STL (std::vector)

- Automatically expands when stack overflows
- Offers better flexibility for dynamic sizing

➤ Practical Considerations

- Array-based implementation is fast and simple with good estimate of the required stack size

```
ArrayStack<int> A;           // A = [], size = 0
A.push(7);                  // A = [7*], size = 1
A.push(13);                 // A = [7, 13*], size = 2
cout << A.top() << endl; A.pop(); // A = [7*], outputs: 13
A.push(9);                 // A = [7, 9*], size = 2
cout << A.top() << endl;       // A = [7, 9*], outputs: 9
cout << A.top() << endl; A.pop(); // A = [7*], outputs: 9
ArrayStack<string> B(10);   // B = [], size = 0
B.push("Bob");              // B = [Bob*], size = 1
B.push("Alice");            // B = [Bob, Alice*], size = 2
cout << B.top() << endl; B.pop(); // B = [Bob*], outputs: Alice
B.push("Eve");              // B = [Bob, Eve*], size = 2
```


Stacks

- Implementing a Stack with Generic Linked List

```
typedef string Elem;           // stack element type
class LinkedStack {           // stack as a linked list
public:
    LinkedStack();             // constructor
    int size() const;          // number of items in the stack
    bool empty() const;        // is the stack empty?
    const Elem& top() const throw(StackEmpty); // the top element
    void push(const Elem& e);   // push element onto stack
    void pop() throw(StackEmpty); // pop the stack
private:
    // member data
    SLinkedList<Elem> S;       // linked list of elements
    int n;                    // number of elements
};
```

```
LinkedStack::LinkedStack()
    : S(), n(0) { }           // constructor

int LinkedStack::size() const
    { return n; }             // number of items in the stack

bool LinkedStack::empty() const
    { return n == 0; }        // is the stack empty?

// get the top element
const Elem& LinkedStack::top() const throw(StackEmpty) {
    if (empty()) throw StackEmpty("Top of empty stack");
    return S.front();
}

void LinkedStack::push(const Elem& e) { // push element onto stack
    ++n;
    S.addFront(e);
}

// pop the stack
void LinkedStack::pop() throw(StackEmpty) {
    if (empty()) throw StackEmpty("Pop from empty stack");
    --n;
    S.removeFront();
}
```

Stacks

- Reversing a Vector Using a Stack

- A stack can reverse the elements in a vector through a **non-recursive algorithm**
 - Utilize the **array-reversal problem** approach
- Insert all elements of the vector into the stack in order (**push**), and remove elements from the stack, filling the vector back up in reverse order (**pop**)
- Advantage : avoids recursion, simplifying implementation

```
template <typename E>
void reverse(vector<E>& V) {           // reverse a vector
    ArrayStack<E> S(V.size());
    for (int i = 0; i < V.size(); i++) // push elements onto stack
        S.push(V[i]);
    for (int i = 0; i < V.size(); i++) { // pop them in reverse order
        V[i] = S.top(); S.pop();
    }
}
```

Stacks

- Parentheses Matching

- Each “(”, “{”, or “[” must be paired with a matching “)”, “}”, or “]”
 - correct: ()(()){([())}
 - correct: ((())(()){([())}
 - incorrect:)(()){([())}
 - incorrect: ({ []})
 - incorrect: (

Stacks

- Parentheses Matching Algorithm

Algorithm ParenMatch(X, n):

Input: An array X of n tokens, each of which is either a grouping symbol, a variable, an arithmetic operator, or a number

Output: **true** if and only if all the grouping symbols in X match

Let S be an empty stack

for $i \leftarrow 0$ to $n - 1$ **do**

if $X[i]$ is an opening grouping symbol **then**

$S.\text{push}(X[i])$

else if $X[i]$ is a closing grouping symbol **then**

if $S.\text{empty}()$ **then**

return false {nothing to match with}

if $S.\text{top}()$ does not match the type of $X[i]$ **then**

return false {wrong type}

$S.\text{pop}()$

if $S.\text{empty}()$ **then**

return true {every symbol matched}

else

return false {some symbols were never matched}

Stacks

- Evaluating Arithmetic Expressions

$$14 - 3 * 2 + 7 = (14 - (3 * 2)) + 7$$

Operator precedence

* has precedence over +/−

Associativity

operators of the same precedence group
evaluated from left to right

Example: $(x - y) + z$ rather than $x - (y + z)$

Idea: push each operator on the stack, but first pop and perform higher and *equal* precedence operations.

Stacks

- Algorithms for Evaluating Expressions

Two stacks:

- opStk holds operators
- valStk holds values
- Use \$ as special “end of input” token with lowest precedence

Algorithm **doOp()**

```
x ← valStk.pop();  
y ← valStk.pop();  
op ← opStk.pop();  
valStk.push( y op x )
```

Algorithm **repeatOps(refOp)**:

```
while ( valStk.size() > 1 ∧  
        prec(refOp) ≤ prec(opStk.top())  
doOp()
```

Algorithm **EvalExp()**

Input: a stream of tokens representing an arithmetic expression (with numbers)

Output: the value of the expression

while there's another token z

```
  If isNumber(z) then  
    valStk.push(z)
```

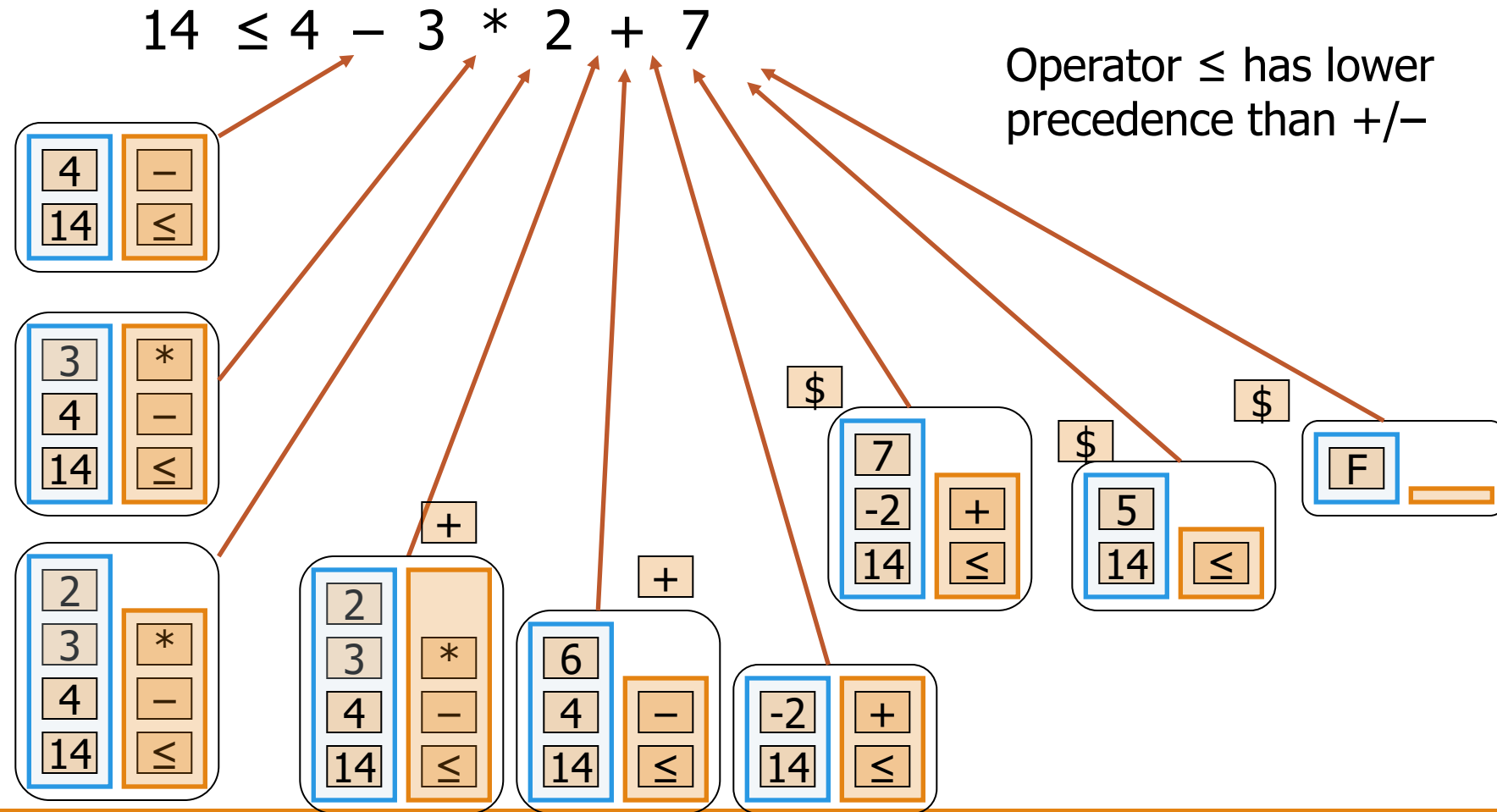
```
  else  
    repeatOps(z);  
    opStk.push(z)
```

repeatOps(\$);

return valStk.top()

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- Algorithms on an Example Expression



Stacks

- Tags Matching in HTML

- HTML tags : an HTML document and its rendering

```
<body>
<center>
<h1> The Little Boat </h1>
</center>
<p> The storm tossed the little
boat like a cheap sneaker in an
old washing machine. The three
drunken fishermen were used to
such treatment, of course, but
not the tree salesman, who even
as a stowaway now felt that he
had overpaid for the voyage. </p>
<ol>
<li> Will the salesman die? </li>
<li> What color is the boat? </li>
<li> And what about Naomi? </li>
</ol>
</body>
```

(a)

The Little Boat

The storm tossed the little boat like a cheap sneaker in an old washing machine. The three drunken fishermen were used to such treatment, of course, but not the tree salesman, who even as a stowaway now felt that he had overpaid for the voyage.

1. Will the salesman die?
2. What color is the boat?
3. And what about Naomi?

(b)

Stacks

- Tags Matching in HTML (C++ code)

```
vector<string> getHtmlTags() {           // store tags in a vector
    vector<string> tags;                 // vector of html tags
    while (cin) {                       // read until end of file
        string line;
        getline(cin, line);            // input a full line of text
        int pos = 0;                   // current scan position
        int ts = line.find("<", pos);    // possible tag start
        while (ts != string::npos) {    // repeat until end of string
            int te = line.find(">", ts+1); // scan for tag end
            tags.push_back(line.substr(ts, te-ts+1)); // append tag to the vector
            pos = te + 1;                // advance our position
            ts = line.find("<", pos);
        }
    }
    return tags;                        // return vector of tags
}

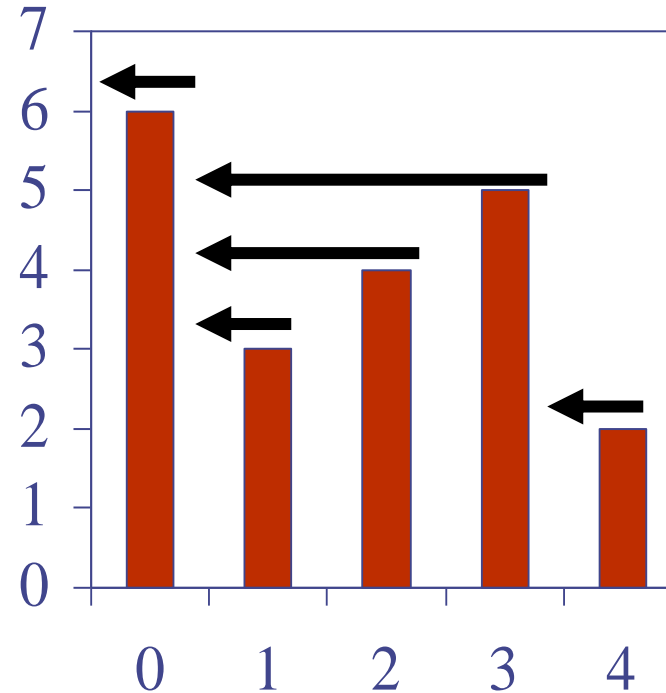
int main() {                           // main HTML tester
    if (isHtmlMatched(getHtmlTags()))   // get tags and test them
        cout << "The input file is a matched HTML document." << endl;
    else
        cout << "The input file is not a matched HTML document." << endl;
}

// check for matching tags
bool isHtmlMatched(const vector<string>& tags) {
    LinkedStack S;                      // stack for opening tags
    typedef vector<string>::const_iterator lter; // iterator type
    // iterate through vector
    for (lter p = tags.begin(); p != tags.end(); ++p) {
        if (p->at(1) != '/')           // opening tag?
            S.push(*p);                 // push it on the stack
        else {                         // else must be closing tag
            if (S.empty()) return false; // nothing to match - failure
            string open = S.top().substr(1); // opening tag excluding '<'
            string close = p->substr(2);    // closing tag excluding '</'
            if (open.compare(close) != 0) return false; // fail to match
            else S.pop();                 // pop matched element
        }
    }
    if (S.empty()) return true;          // everything matched - good
    else return false;                  // some unmatched - bad
}
```

Stacks

- Computing Spans (not in textbook)

- Using a stack as an auxiliary data structure in an algorithm
- Given an array X , the **span** $S[i]$ of $X[i]$ is the maximum number of consecutive elements $X[j]$ immediately preceding $X[i]$ and such that $X[j] \leq X[i]$
- Spans have applications to financial analysis
 - E.g., stock at 52-week high



X	6	3	4	5	2
S	1	1	2	3	1

Stacks

- Quadratic Algorithm

Algorithm *spans1*(X, n)

Input array X of n integers

Output array S of spans of X

$S \leftarrow$ new array of n integers

for $i \leftarrow 0$ **to** $n - 1$ **do**

$s \leftarrow 1$

while $s \leq i \wedge X[i - s] \leq X[i]$

$s \leftarrow s + 1$

$S[i] \leftarrow s$

return S

#

n

n

n

$1 + 2 + \dots + (n - 1)$

$1 + 2 + \dots + (n - 1)$

n

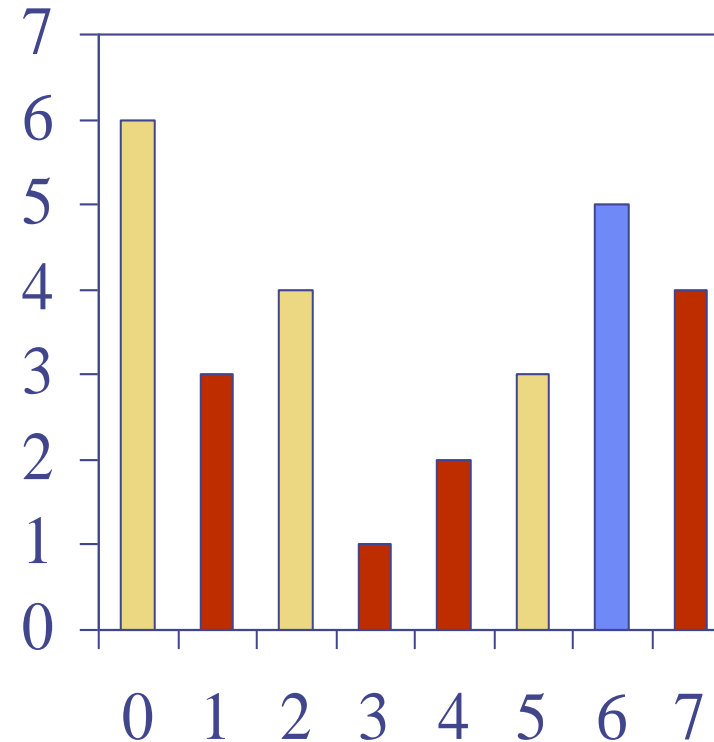
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➤ Algorithm *spans1* runs in $O(n^2)$ time

Stacks

- Computing Spans with a Stack

- We keep in a stack the indices of the elements visible when “looking back”
- We scan the array from left to right
 - Let i be the current index
 - We pop indices from the stack until we find index j such that $X[i] < X[j]$
 - We set $S[i] \leftarrow i - j$
 - We push i onto the stack



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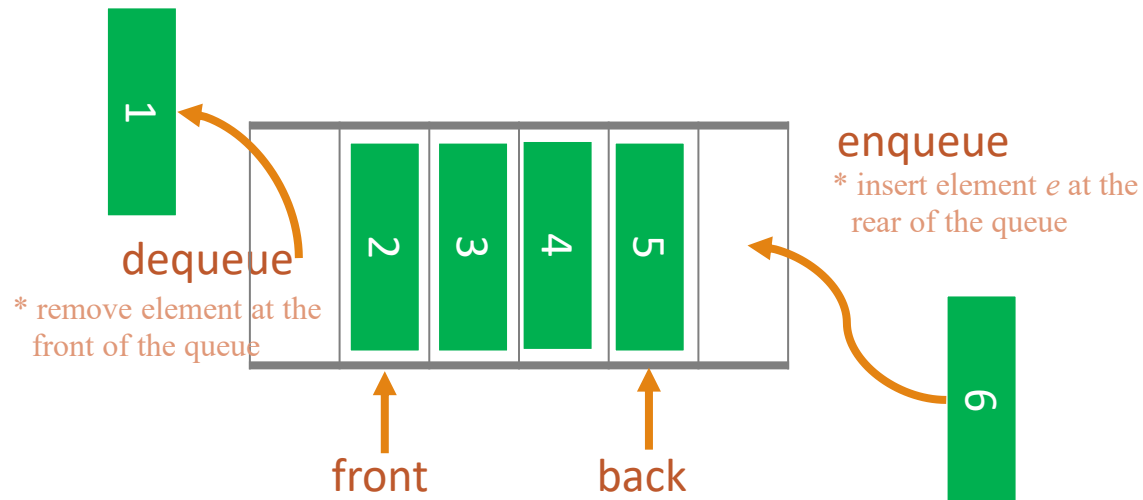
- Linear Algorithm

- Each index of the array
 - Is pushed into the stack exactly one
 - Is popped from the stack at most once
- The statements in the while-loop are executed at most n times
- Algorithm *spans2* runs in $O(n)$ time

Algorithm <i>spans2</i> (X, n)	#
$S \leftarrow$ new array of n integers	n
$A \leftarrow$ new empty stack	1
for $i \leftarrow 0$ to $n - 1$ do	n
while $(\neg A.empty() \wedge$	
$X[A.top()] \leq X[i])$ do	n
$A.pop()$	n
if $A.empty()$ then	n
$S[i] \leftarrow i + 1$	n
else	
$S[i] \leftarrow i - A.top()$	n
$A.push(i)$	n
return S	1

Queues

- A Queue is a linear data structure which models real world queues by having two primary operations, namely **enqueue** and **dequeue**



- When and where is a Queue used?
 - Any waiting line models a queue, for example a lineup at a movie theater or restaurant
 - Can be used to efficiently keep track of the x most recently added elements
 - Web server request management where you want first come first service
 - Can be used to do a Breadth First Search (BFS) on a graph

Queues

- Abstract Data Types (ADTs)

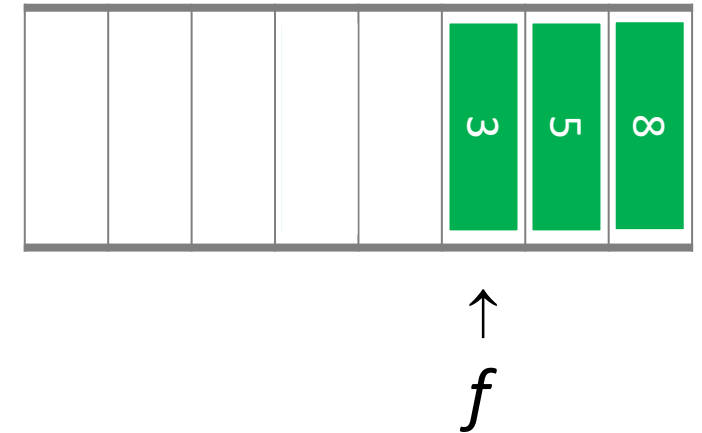
- The **Queue** ADT stores arbitrary objects
- A container of elements following the **First-In First-Out (FIFO)** principle
- Insertions at the rear, and removals from the front
- Main queue operations:
 - **enqueue**(*e*): insert element *e* at the rear
 - **dequeue**(): remove the front element
- Auxiliary queue operations:
 - **front**(): return the front element without removing it
 - **size**(): return the number of elements
 - **empty**(): check if the queue is empty
- Exceptions
 - Attempting the execution of **dequeue** or **front** on an empty queue throws an **QueueEmpty**

Queues

- Example of Queue Operation

Operation	Output	Queue	Operation	Output	Queue
enqueue(5)	—	(5)	enqueue(9)	—	(9)
enqueue(3)	—	(5,3)	enqueue(7)	—	(9,7)
dequeue()	—	(3)	enqueue(3)	—	(9,7,3)
enqueue(7)	—	(3,7)	enqueue(5)	—	(9,7,3,5)
dequeue()	—	(7)	size()	4	(9,7,3,5)
front()	7	(7)	dequeue()	—	(7,3,5)
dequeue()	—	()	enqueue(8)	—	(7,3,5,8)
dequeue()	“error”	()	dequeue()	—	(3,5,8)
front()	“error”	()	front()	3	(3,5,8)
empty()	true	()			

Queue



Queues

- Applications of Queues

- Direct applications
 - Waiting lists
 - Access to shared resources (e.g., printer)
 - Multiprogramming
- Indirect applications
 - Auxiliary data structure for algorithms
 - Component of other data structures

Queues

- STL Queue

- STL provides an implementation of a queue (`std::queue`)
 - Underlying implementation: based on the STL vector class
- Principal Member Functions
 - `size()`: return the number of elements
 - `empty()`: check if the queue is empty
 - `push(e)`: enqueue *e* at the rear
 - `pop()`: dequeue the element at the front
 - `front()`: return a reference to the front element
 - `back()`: return a reference to the rear element
- Operations `front`, `back`, and `pop` on the empty queue are **undefined** – no exception is thrown, but may result in **program abortion**

Queues

- Queue Interface in C++

➤ Queue ADT Interface

- Member functions “size”, “empty”, and “front” return values without altering the queue. Declared as **const**, ensuring contents remain unchanged

```
template <typename E>
class Queue {                                // an interface for a queue
public:
    int size() const;                        // number of items in queue
    bool empty() const;                     // is the queue empty?
    const E& front() const throw(QueueEmpty); // the front element
    void enqueue (const E& e);              // enqueue element at rear
    void dequeue() throw(QueueEmpty);       // dequeue element at front
};
```

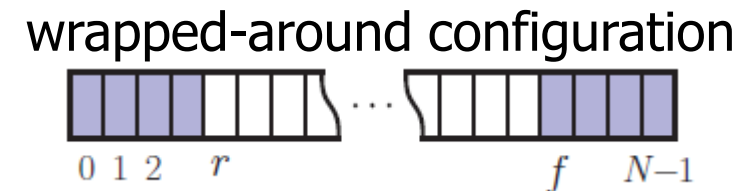
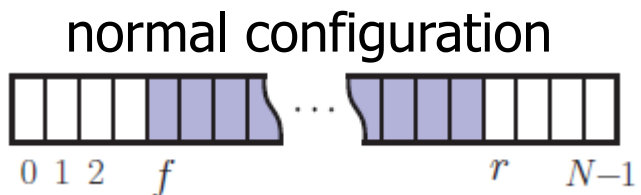
- Calling front() or dequeue() on the empty queue throws the exception **QueueEmpty**

```
class QueueEmpty : public RuntimeException {
public:
    QueueEmpty(const string& err) : RuntimeException(err) { }
};
```

Queues

- Array-based Queue

- Array-based queue with capacity (N)
 - Need to track front and rear efficiently
- Inefficient Approach
 - Dequeue operation requires shifting elements forward : time complexity $O(n)$
- Efficient Approach : Circular Array
 - Achieve $O(1)$ for enqueue and dequeue
 - Define three variables
 - f index of the front element
 - r index after the rear element
 - n number of elements in the queue
 - Operations
 - enqueue** increment r and n
 - dequeue** increment f and decrement n
 - Prevent out-of-bounds errors



Queues

- Queue Operations (Circular Array)

- Use n to determine size and emptiness
- Increment indices f and r using :
 - $(f + 1) \bmod N$
 - $(r + 1) \bmod N$
- Exception Handling
 - QueueFull : Signals when queue capacity is exceeded
 - QueueEmpty : Signals when front or dequeue() is called on an empty queue
- Performance
 - Queue operations (enqueue, dequeue) in $O(1)$ time
 - Space usage : $O(N)$, N is array size at creation

Algorithm size():

return n

Algorithm empty():

return $(n = 0)$

Algorithm front():

if empty() then

throw QueueEmpty exception

return $Q[f]$

Algorithm dequeue():

if empty() then

throw QueueEmpty exception

$f \leftarrow (f + 1) \bmod N$

$n = n - 1$

Algorithm enqueue(e):

if size() = N then

throw QueueFull exception

$Q[r] \leftarrow e$

$r \leftarrow (r + 1) \bmod N$

$n = n + 1$

Queues

- Circularly Linked List-based Queue

➤ Why Circularly Linked List?

- Efficient access to **both front and rear** elements
- Support dynamic expansion and contraction

```
typedef string Elem;           // queue element type
class LinkedQueue {           // queue as doubly linked list
public:
    LinkedQueue();             // constructor
    int size() const;          // number of items in the queue
    bool empty() const;        // is the queue empty?
    const Elem& front() const throw(QueueEmpty); // the front element
    void enqueue(const Elem& e); // enqueue element at rear
    void dequeue() throw(QueueEmpty); // dequeue element at front
private:
    CircleList C;             // member data
    int n;                    // circular list of elements
                                // number of elements
};
```

➤ CircleList Member Functions

- **back()**: reference to the rear element
- **front()**: reference to the front element
- **add()**: insert a new node after the cursor
- **remove()**: remove the node after the cursor
- **advance()**: move the cursor to the next node

```
                                // enqueue element at rear
void LinkedQueue::enqueue(const Elem& e) {
    C.add(e);                    // insert after cursor
    C.advance();                 // ...and advance
    n++;
}

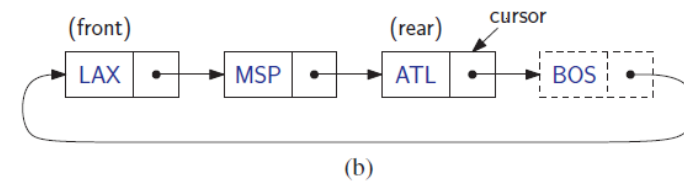
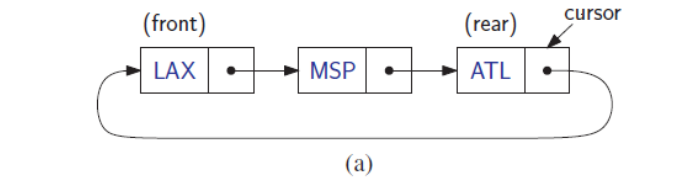
                                // dequeue element at front
void LinkedQueue::dequeue() throw(QueueEmpty) {
    if (empty())
        throw QueueEmpty("dequeue of empty queue");
    C.remove();                 // remove from list front
    n--;
}
```

Queues

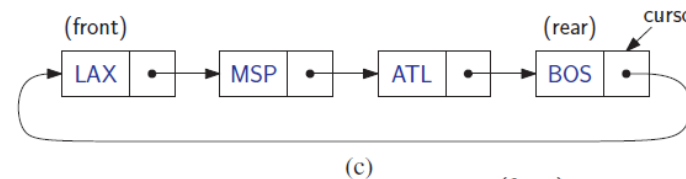
- Queue Operations (Circularly Linked List)

➤ Enqueue : $O(1)$ time

- Use **add** to insert the element after the cursor (rear of queue)
- Use **advance** to make the new element the rear

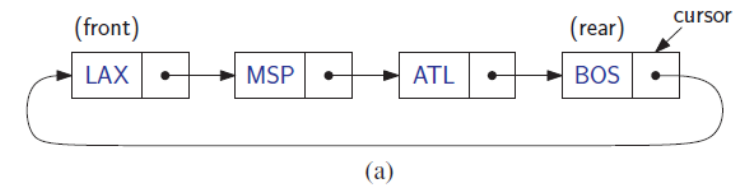


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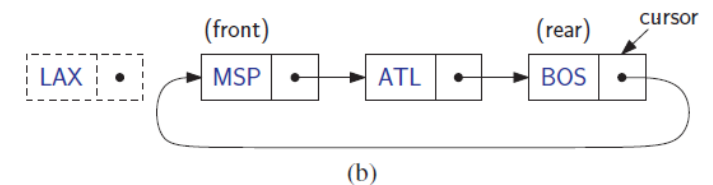


➤ Dequeue : $O(1)$ time

- Check if queue is empty; throw QueueEmpty exception if true
- Use **remove** to delete the element after the cursor (front of queue)
- Update the size of the queue (n)



Dequeue

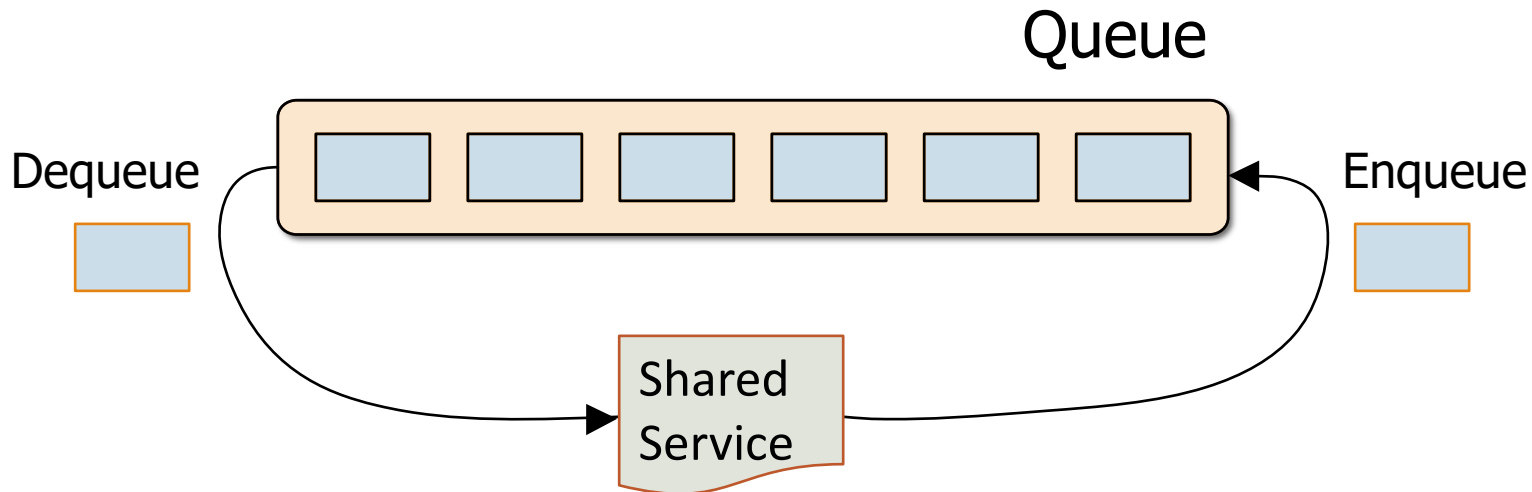


Queues

- Application : Round Robin Schedulers

➤ We can implement a round robin scheduler using a queue Q by repeatedly performing the following steps:

1. `e = Q.front(); Q.dequeue()`
2. Service element `e`
3. `Q.enqueue(e)`



Dequeues

- Deque ADT(Abstract Data Type)

- A deque supports insertion and deletion at both ends
 - Pronunciation : “Deck”
- Main deque operations:
 - **insertFront**(*e*): add *e* at the front
 - **insertBack**(*e*): add *e* at the rear
 - **eraseFront**(): remove the first element
 - **eraseBack**(): remove the last element
- Support deque operations:
 - **front**(): access the first element
 - **back**(): access the last element
 - **size**(): return the number of elements
 - **empty**(): check if the deque is empty

Deque

- STL Deque

- Based on **STL vector** class
- Dynamically resizes as elements are added
- Common operators
 - `size()`: Return the number of elements in the deque.
 - `empty()`: Return true if the deque is empty and false otherwise.
 - `push_front(e)`: Insert *e* at the beginning the deque.
 - `push_back(e)`: Insert *e* at the end of the deque.
 - `pop_front()`: Remove the first element of the deque.
 - `pop_back()`: Remove the last element of the deque.
 - `front()`: Return a reference to the deque's first element.
 - `back()`: Return a reference to the deque's last element.
- Include STL deque header : `#include <deque>`

- LinkedList Implementation

- ```
typedef string Elem; // deque element type
class LinkedDeque { // deque as doubly linked list
public:
 LinkedDeque(); // constructor
 int size() const; // number of items in the deque
 bool empty() const; // is the deque empty?
 const Elem& front() const throw(DequeEmpty); // the first element
 const Elem& back() const throw(DequeEmpty); // the last element
 void insertFront(const Elem& e); // insert new first element
 void insertBack(const Elem& e); // insert new last element
 void removeFront() throw(DequeEmpty); // remove first element
 void removeBack() throw(DequeEmpty); // remove last element
private:
 DLinkedList D; // member data
 int n; // linked list of elements
 // number of elements
};
```

# Dequeues

## - Adapter and Adapter Design Pattern

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- Adapting existing data structures for special purposes
- Adapting “DLinkedList” to implement a deque
  - Mapping : each deque operation corresponds to a DLinkedList operation (e.g., insertFront → addFront)
- Adapter Design Pattern
  - An adapter (or wrapper) translates one interface to another
  - Like electric plug adapters for appliances in different countries
- Purpose
  - To reuse existing structures or classes by adapting their interfaces

# Dequeues

## - Adapter Examples

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### ➤ Stack ADT with Deque

- Stack ADT can be implemented using a deque
- Each stack operation is translated to an equivalent deque operation
- Operation mapping
  - `push(o) → insertFront(o)`
  - `pop() → eraseFront()`
  - `top() → front()`
- Class `DequeStack` implements Stack ADT using `LinkedDeque`

### ➤ Queue ADT with Deque

- Queue ADT can also be implemented using a deque
- Operations translate seamlessly due to the deque's symmetry
- Operation mapping
  - `enqueue(e) → insertBack(e)`
  - `dequeue() → eraseFront()`
  - `front() → front()`

# A Maze Problem

## - Solving Maze Using Stack or Queue

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### ➤ What is Maze Problem?

- A Programming challenge to navigate a maze from start to finish
- Uses constraints to avoid obstacles and dead ends

### ➤ Applications

- Robotics, AI pathfinding, gaming, etc.

### ➤ Problem Statement

- Input
  - A 2D grid representation the maze (0: obstacles, 1: open path)
  - Start point and destination coordinates
- Output
  - A valid path from start to destination (if one exists)
- Constraints
  - Paths can only one move up, down, left, or right

# A Maze Problem

## - Solving Maze Using Stack or Queue

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### ➤ Using **Recursion**

- Recursively explore potential paths
- Mark cells as visited to avoid loops
- Backtrack when a dead end is encountered

### ➤ Potential issues

- Infinite loops without proper marking
- Performance constraint for large mazes

### ➤ DFS (Depth First Search) with **Stack**

- The stack keeps track of the current path being explored
- Backtracking occurs naturally by popping elements off the stack when a dead-end is reached.

### ➤ BFS (Breadth First Search) with **Queue**

- The queue ensures that all cells at the current distance are explored before moving to the next distance, leading to a breadth-wise search.