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# Stacks

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# I. Objectives

## Introduction

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

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

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

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

# II. Methods

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

# Stack implementation in python

# Creating a stack

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

# Creating an empty stack

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

# Adding items into the stack

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

# Removing an element from the stack

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

```
stack = create_stack()
```

```
push(stack, str(1))
```

```
push(stack, str(2))
```

```
push(stack, str(3))
```

```
push(stack, str(4))
```

```
push(stack, str(5))
```

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

Answer the following questions:

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

### III. Results

Answers:

1. This code creates a Stack. The stack works like a stack of plates: you can only add a new plate to the top, and you can only take a plate off from the top. This is known as Last-In, First-Out (LIFO). The code uses simple list commands to make this work is Push and Pull. Push uses `append()` to add item to the end of the list and Pop uses `pop()` to remove the item from the list.

2. Output:

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

3. To pop 3 elements from the top of the stack I will use this :  
`for i in range(3):`

```
    print(pop(stack))
```

It can remove the 3 elements at the top and see what's are being remove.

4. To determine the length of the stack, I can just use the built-in `len()` function directly. After executing the provided code that pushing five elements, using this :

```
print("Length of stack:", len(stack))
```

the output would be 5, determining the number of the items.

### IV. Conclusion

In conclusion, this code successfully implements a stack using a Python list demonstrating LIFO operations with push and pop methods. With the given questions I was able to answer them based on my own understanding and execute them. I was able to answer it because I have already have basic understanding of stacks from the past lessons and also other functions.

## References

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