

# Chapter 3: Lists, Stacks, and Queues

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## Abstract

This section discusses about:

- Introduce Abstract Data Type (ADT)
- how to efficiently perform operations on lists
- stack ADT
- queue ADT

## 1 Abstract Data Types (ADT)

Definition: *Abstract data type* is a set of objects together with a set of operations

The three data structures (Lists, Stacks, and Queues) are ADT examples

## 2 The List ADT

Some Feature of List:

- general form is:  $A_0, A_1, A_2, \dots, A_{N-1}$
- special list of size 0 is **empty list**
- $A_i$  succeeds  $A_{i-1}$  &  $A_{i-1}$  precedes  $A_i$

- First element is  $A_0$  & Last element is  $A_{N-1}$
- position of element  $A_i$  is  $i$

## 2.1 Simple Array Implementation of Lists

Using plain array: Only use array accesses (i.e. *findkth* operation)

Ref: pp.58 - 59

## 2.2 simple Linked Lists

feature of linked list:

- consists of a series of nodes
- each node contains the '*element*' and '*next* link'
- the last cell's '*last link*' is *null*

Some available method definition:

- *findkth*: scan through the list and find the element on that position
- *find*: find the position that the element we specify
- *remove*: method can be executed in one *next* reference change
- *insert*: requires obtaining a new node from the system by using a *new* call and executing two reference maneuvers

When removing the last element: tricky → using double linked list

## 3 List in the Java Collection API

### 3.1 *Collection* Interface

Some feature of *Collection* Interface:

- package in *java.util*
- collection extends the *Iterable* Interface
- can use enhance for loop
- method in Collection Interface:

```
public interface Collection<AnyType> extends Iterable<AnyType>{
    int size();
    boolean isEmpty();
    void clear();
    boolean contains(AnyType x);
    boolean add(AnyType x);
    boolean remove(AnyType x);
    java.util.Iterator<AnyType> iterator();
}
```