

COMP 250

Lecture 13

stack

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# Recall: List operations

```
get(i)      // Returns the i-th element (but doesn't remove it)
set(i,e)    // Replaces the i-th element with e
add(i,e)    // Inserts element e into the i-th position
remove(i)   // Removes the i-th element from list
remove(e)   // Removes first occurrence of element e
             // from the list (if it is there)
clear()     // Empties the list.
isEmpty()   // Returns true if empty, false if not empty.
size()      // Returns number of elements in the list
:
```

This operations can be defined abstractly, without specifying the implementation details of the data structure (arraylist vs. linked list).

# Abstract data type (ADT)

“ADT” defines a data type by the *values of the data* and *operations on the data*.

It is defined from the point of view of the *user*.

It ignores the details of the implementation.

An ADT is more abstract than a data structure.

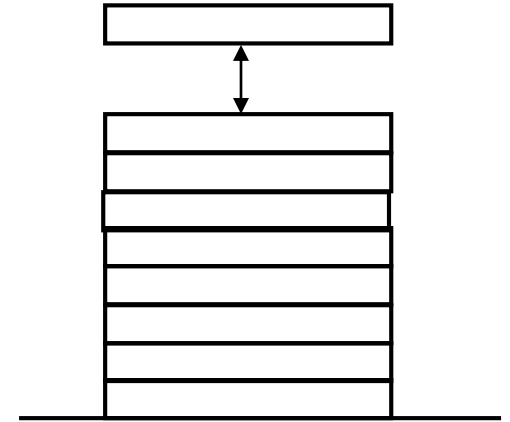
# Stack ADT

push( element )

pop( )

isEmpty( )

peek( )



A stack is a list. However, it typically does not have operations to access the list element  $i$  directly. Instead one accesses only one end of the list.

# How to implement a stack?

push(e)

pop ()

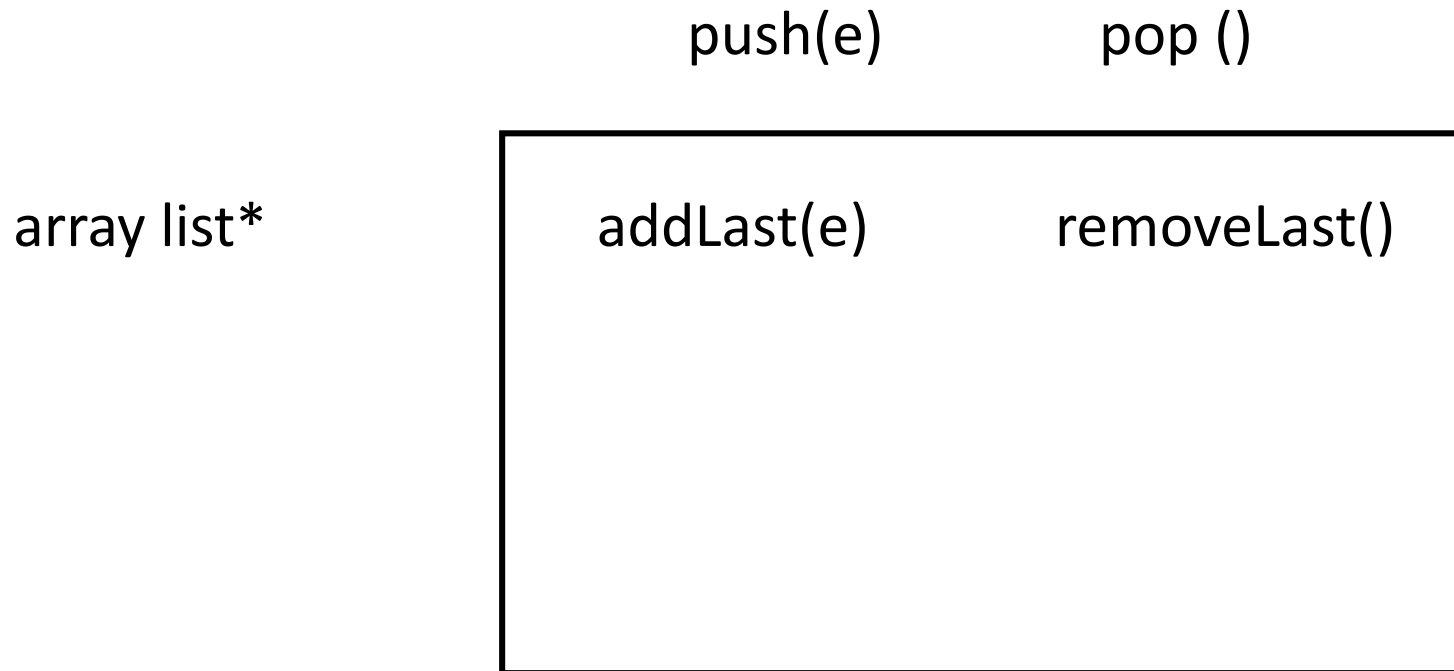
array list

singly linked list

doubly linked list



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# How to implement a stack?

	push(e)	pop ()
array list*	addLast(e)	removeLast()
singly linked list	addFirst(e)	removeFirst ()

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# How to implement a stack?

push(e)

pop ()

array list\*

addLast(e)

removeLast()

singly linked list

addFirst(e)

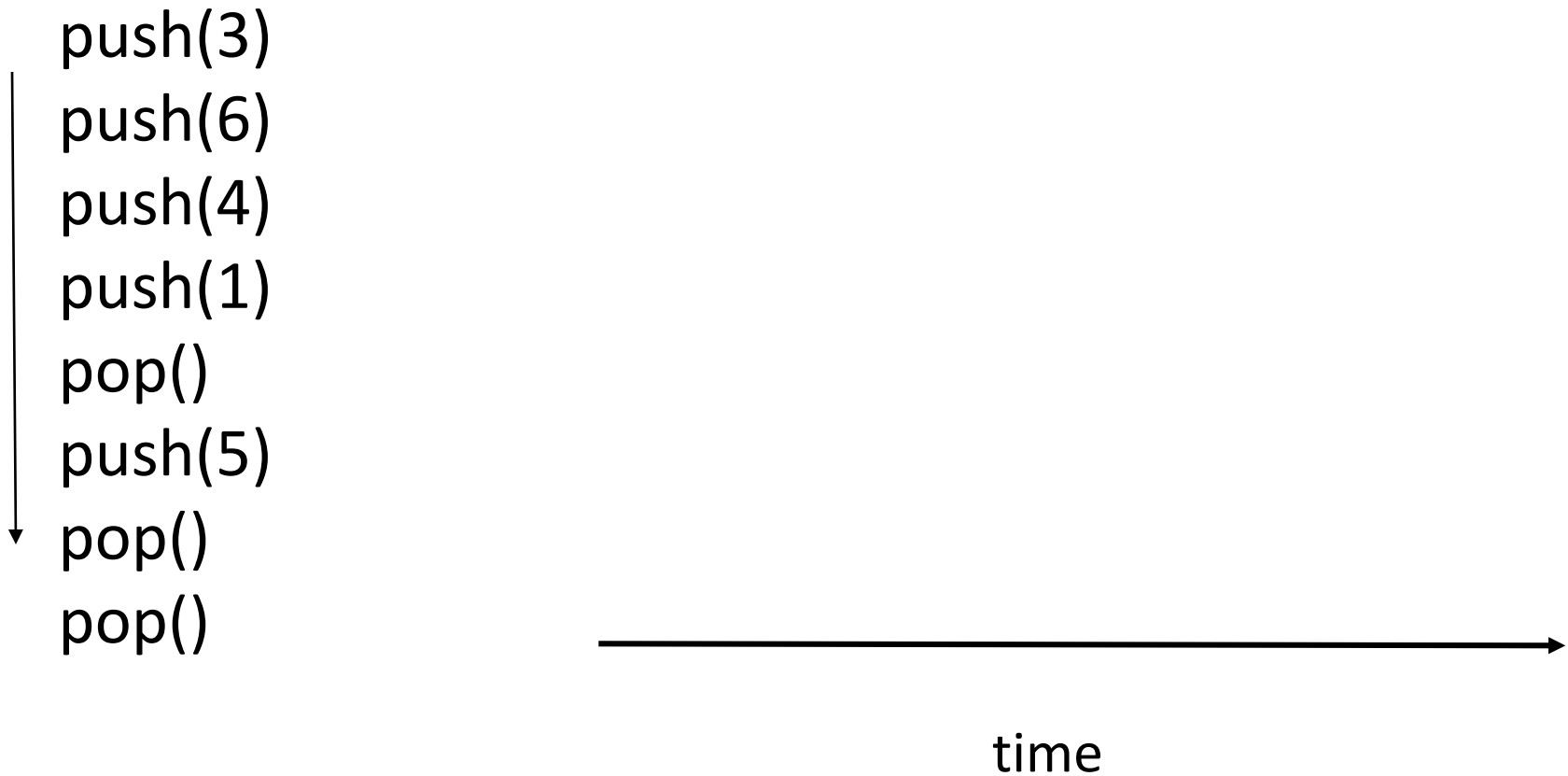
removeFirst ()

doubly linked list

either row above

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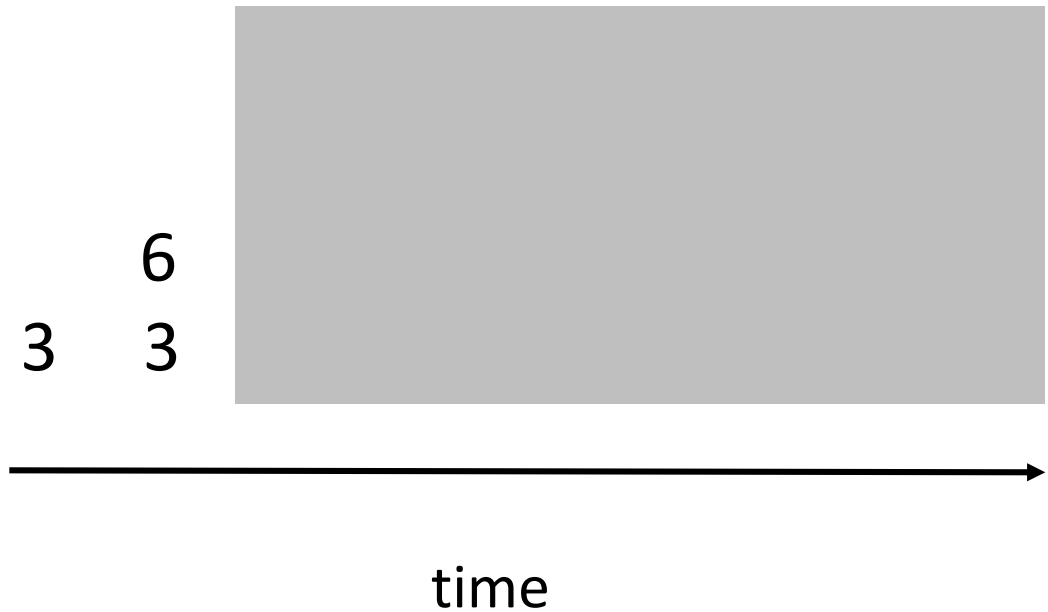
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pop()

push(5)

pop()

pop()



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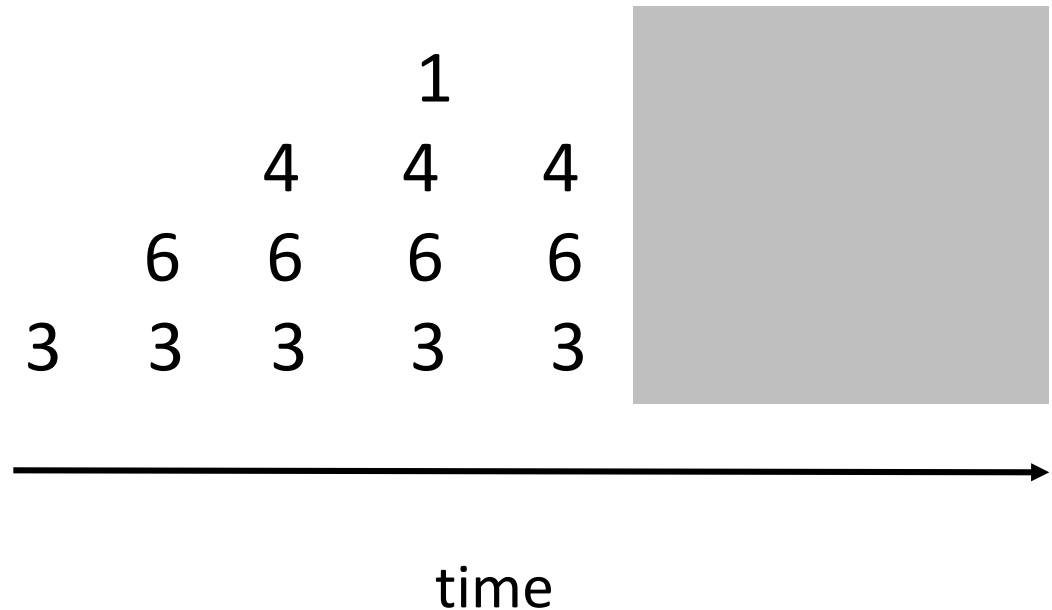
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To ensure proper nesting, we traverse the list and use a stack.

When we reach a left parenthesis, we push it onto the stack.

When we reach a right parenthesis, we compare it to top of the stack. If it matches, then we pop.

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Does not match left bracket  
on top of stack.

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// We refer to brackets as “tokens”. This is the more general term using in  
// string parsing.

**Algorithm: decide if parentheses are matched.**

```
while (there are more tokens) {  
    token = get next token  
    if token is a left parenthesis  
        push(token)  
    else {                                // token is a right parenthesis  
        if stack is empty  
            return false  
        else {  
            pop left parenthesis from stack  
            if popped left parenthesis doesn't match the right parenthesis  
                return false  
            }  
        }  
    }  
}  
return stack.empty // true if stack is empty, false if not.
```

## Example 3: HTML tags

Suppose you want:

**I am bold.**    *I am italic.*

In html, you would write:

`<b> I am bold. </b> <i> I am italic. </i>`

# HTML Elements

An HTML *element* starts with a start tag.

An HTML *element* ends with an end tag.

These tags can be thought of as brackets.

HTML documents consist of nested HTML *elements*.

```
<html>
```

```
<body>
```

```
<b> I am bold </b>
```

```
<i> I am italic </i>
```

```
</body>
```

```
</html>
```



Suppose you want:

**I am bold.**   *I am bold and italic.*   *I am italic.*

What if you were to write the following ?

`<b> I am bold. <i> I am bold and italic. </b> I am italic. </i>`

Suppose you want:

<b>I am bold.</b> <i>I am bold and italic.</i> <i>I am italic.</i>
--

What if you were to write the following ?

`<b> I am bold. <i> I am bold and italic. </b> I am italic. </i>`

This is *officially* incorrect, because elements are not nested.

\_\_\_\_\_    `<b>`    `<b>`    `<i>`    `</b>`    **Error: mismatch** between `<i>` `</b>`

Most web browsers will interpret it correctly, however.

**I am bold.** *I am bold and italic.* *I am italic.*

The correct way to write it is:

`<b> I am bold. <i> I am bold and italic. </i> </b> <i> I am italic. </i>`

\_\_\_\_\_ `< b >` `< b >` `< b >` \_\_\_\_\_ `< i >` \_\_\_\_\_

`< i >`

What problems can arise if you write it incorrectly?

Suppose you are editing a html document that contains the following:

Hello.    <b> I am bold.

<i>      I am bold and italic. </b> I am italic.      </i>

Bla bla bla .....

Q: What happens if you delete the middle line ?

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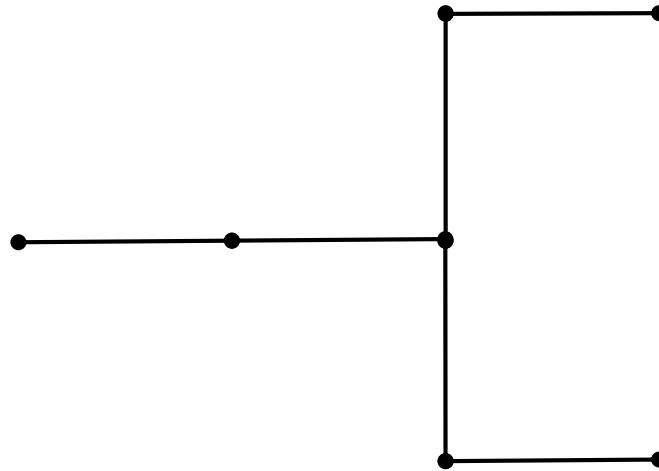
Bla bla bla .....

Q: What happens if you delete the middle line ?

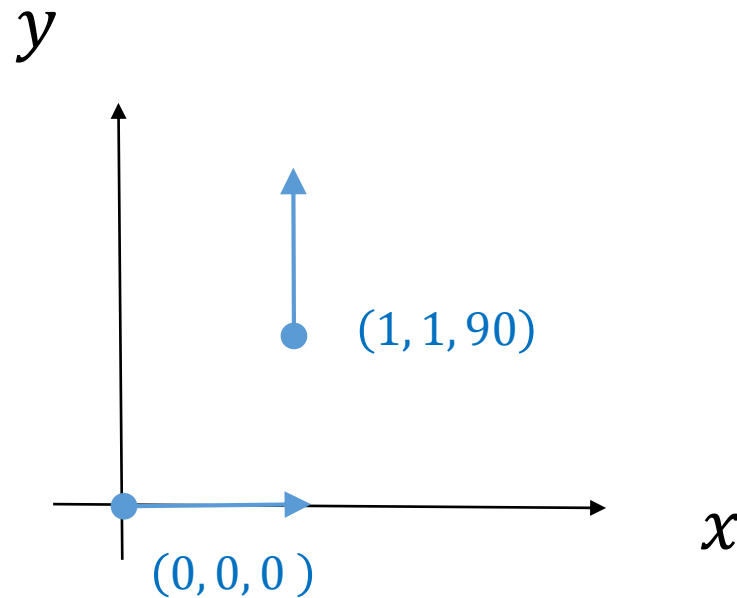
A: ... Hello. **I am bold. Bla bla bla .....**

# Example 4: Stacks in Graphics

Define a 'programming language' for drawing simple figures like this:



Define a pen position and direction  $(x, y, \theta)$  where  $\theta$  is clockwise degrees from x axis.



The initial state of the pen is  $(0, 0, 0)$ .

Let instructions be symbols :

D - draw unit length line in direction  $\theta$  (changes  $(x, y)$  )

R - turn right 90 degrees (changes  $\theta$  )

L - turn left 90 degrees (changes  $\theta$  )

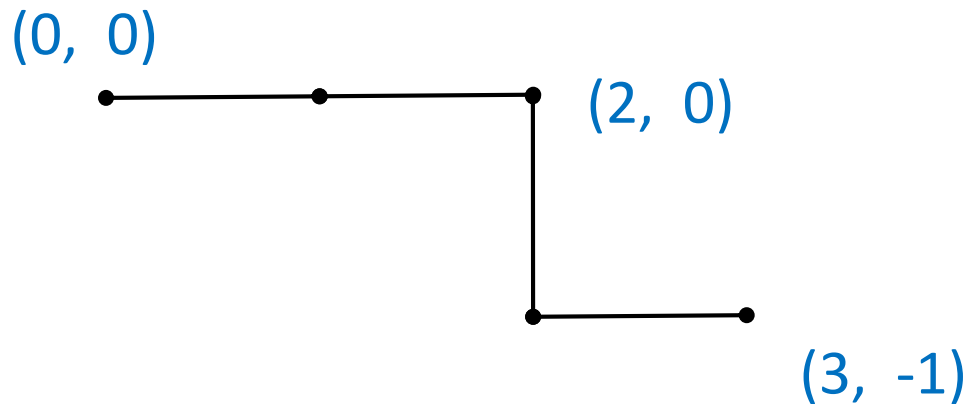
[ - push state  $(x, y, \theta)$

] - pop state, and go to that state



The initial state of the pen is  $(0, 0, 0)$ .

D D R D L D



D - draw

R - turn right 90 deg

L - turn left 90 deg

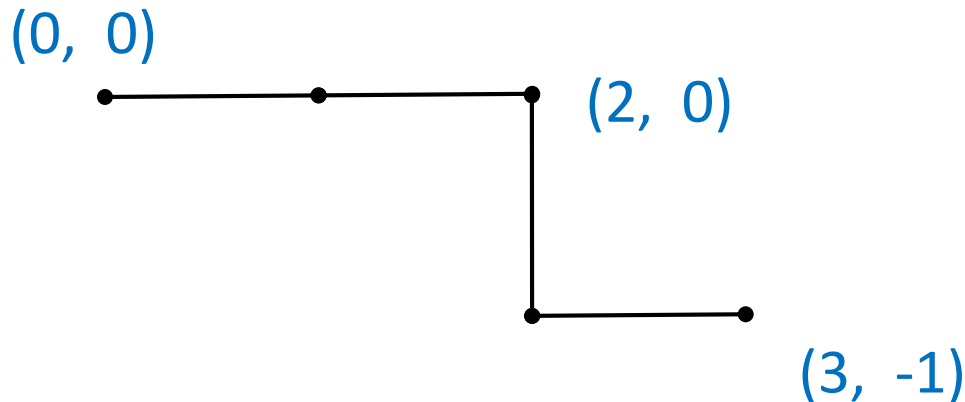
[ - push state

] - pop state

The final pen state is  $(3, -1, 0)$ .

The initial state of the pen is  $(0, 0, 0)$ .

D D [ R D L D ]



D - draw

R - turn right 90 deg

L - turn left 90 deg

[ - push state

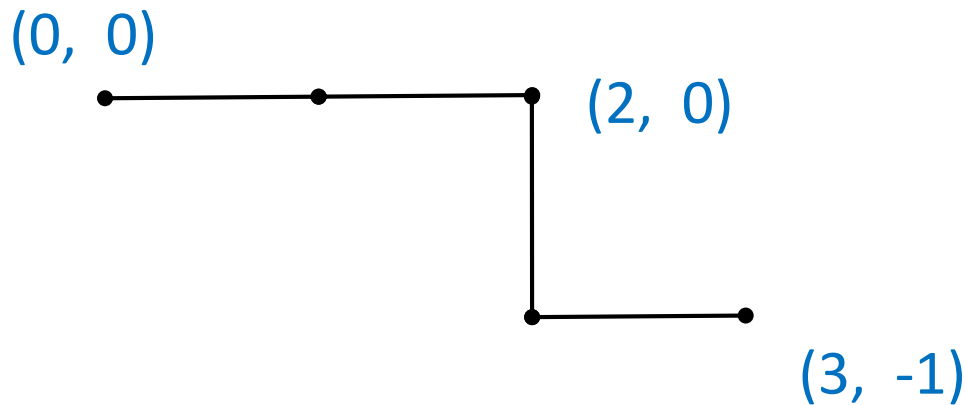
] - pop state

Q: What will be the final pen state ?

A:

The initial state of the pen is  $(0, 0, 0)$ .

D D [ R D L D ]



D - draw  
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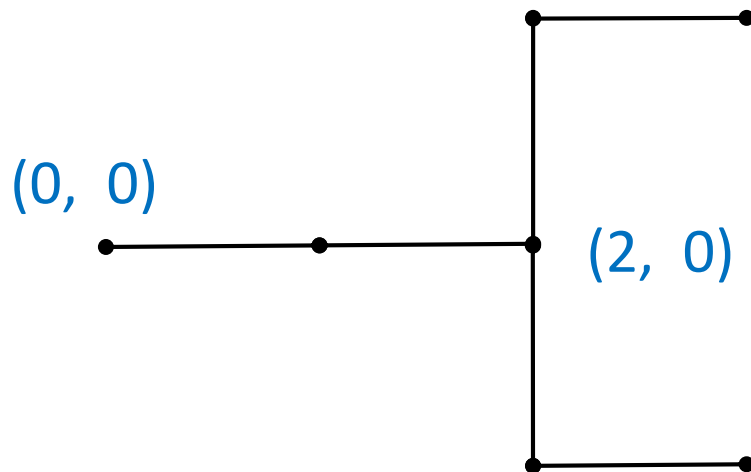
Q: What will be the final pen state ?

A:  $(2, 0, 0)$

The initial state of the pen is  $(0, 0, 0)$ .

D D [ R D L D ] L D R D

\_\_\_\_\_  $(2, 0, 0)$  \_\_\_\_\_



D - draw  
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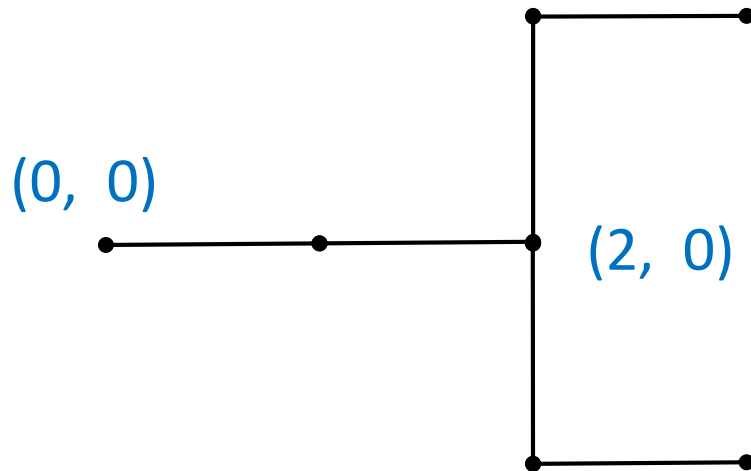
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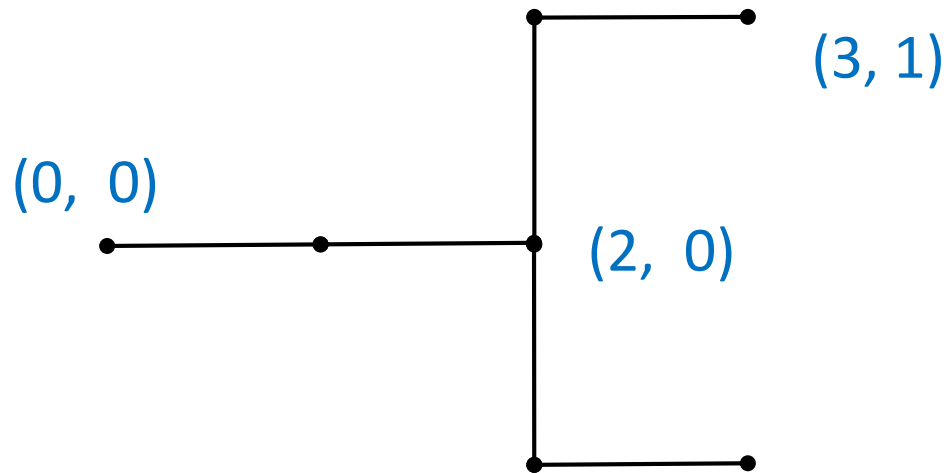


D - draw  
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[ - push state  
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Q: What will be the final pen state ?

A:  $(3, 1, 0)$

The initial state of the pen is  $(0, 0, 0)$ .



D - draw

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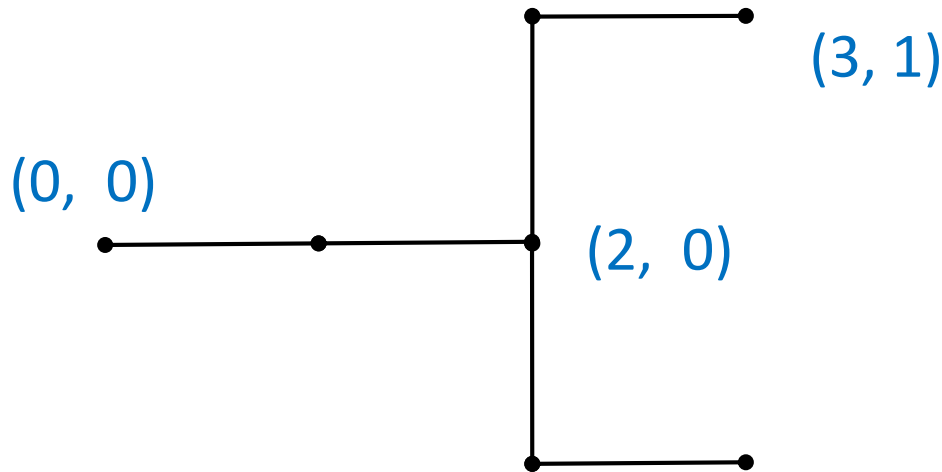
[ - push state

] - pop state

Q: What if we add brackets at beginning and ending ?

[ D D [ R D L D ] L D R D ]

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D - draw

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L - turn left 90 deg

[ - push state

] - pop state

Q: What if we add brackets at beginning and ending ?

[ D D [ R D L D ] L D R D ]

A: The pen state will return to  $(0, 0, 0)$ .

## Example 5 : “Call Stack”

```
class Demo {  
    void mA( ) {  
        mB( );  
        mC( );  
    }  
    void mB( ) { ... }  
    void mC( ) { ... }  
  
    void main( ){  
        mA( );  
    }  
}
```



```

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    void mA( ) {
        mB( );
        mC( );
    }
    void mB( ) { ... }
    void mC( ) { ... }

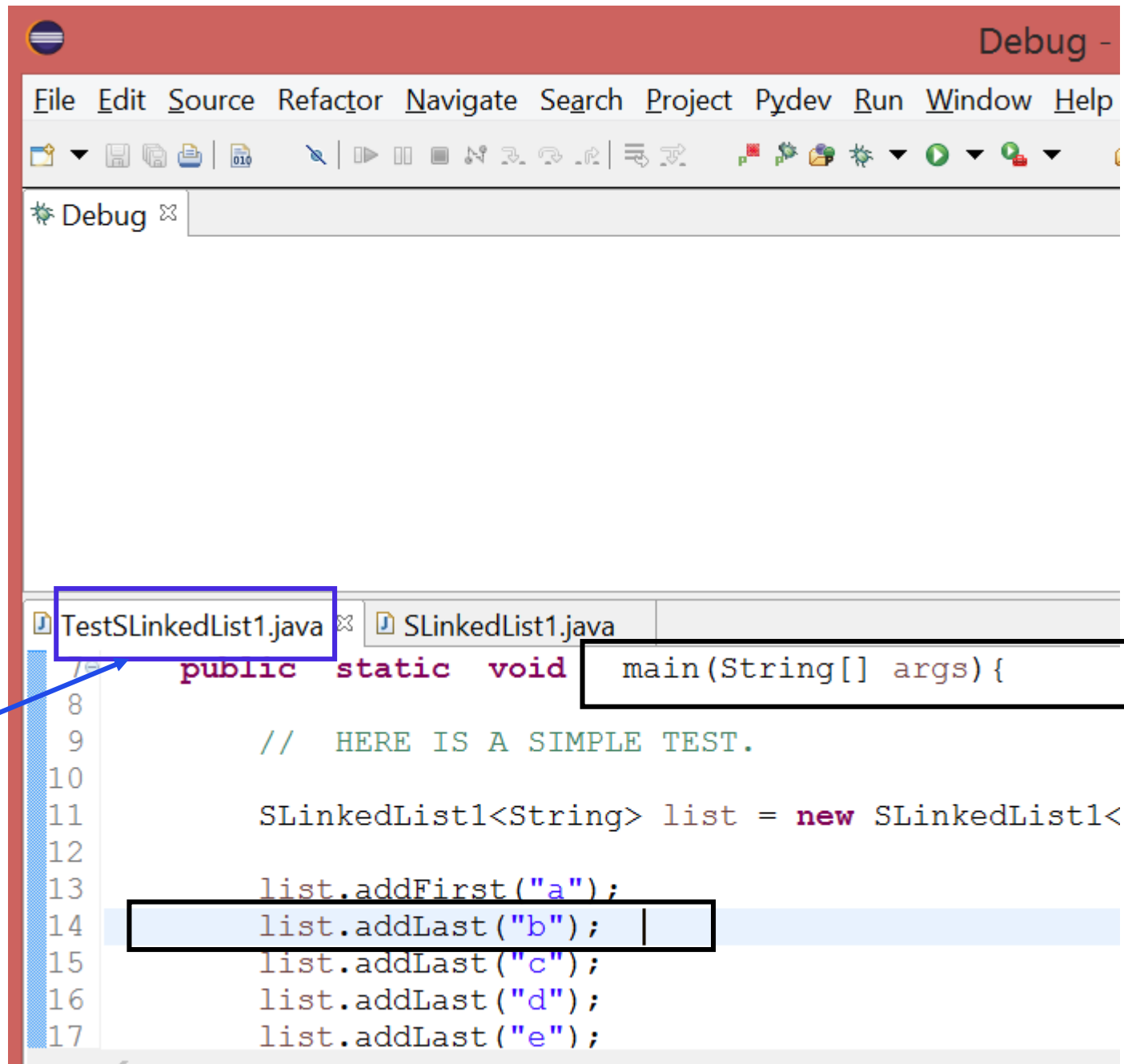
    void main( ){
        mA( );
    }
}

```

		mB		mC		
	mA	mA	mA	mA	mA	
<u>main</u>	<u>main</u>	<u>main</u>	<u>main</u>	<u>main</u>	<u>main</u>	<u>main</u>



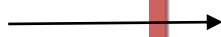
Eclipse debug mode



TestSLinkedList1's  
main() method calls  
addLast() method of  
SLinkedList class.

## Eclipse debug mode

call stack



The screenshot shows the Eclipse IDE in debug mode. The top window displays the call stack for a Java application. The bottom window displays the source code of the `SLinkedList1.java` file.

**Call Stack:**

- TestSLinkedList1 [Java Application]
- linkedList1.TestSLinkedList1 at localhost:52013
- Thread [main] (Suspended (breakpoint at line 85 in SLinkedList1))
  - SLinkedList1<E>.addLast(E) line: 85
  - TestSLinkedList1.main(String[]) line: 14
- C:\Program Files\Java\jre7\bin\javaw.exe (Sep 19, 2016, 4:14:02 PM)

**Source Code:**

```
78 /**
79  * add a new element to the end of the list
80  * @param element the new element
81  */
82
83 public void addLast(E element) {
84     SNode<E> newNode = new SNode<E>(element);
85     size++;
86     if (head == null) {
87         head = newNode;
88         tail = newNode;
```

Breakpoint in the  
SLinkedList1. addLast  
method

