

# DATA STRUCTURES

ADT List. ADT Stack. ADT Queue.

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A **List** is a container which is either *empty* or

- it has a unique *first* element
- it has a unique *last* element
- every element (except for the last) has a unique *successor*
- every element (except for the first) has a unique *predecessor*



Every element from a list has a unique position in the list that:

- identifies the element in the list
- determines the positions of its successor and predecessor (if they exist)



For generality, we will consider that positions are of type *Position*.



A position  $p$  will be considered *valid* if it is the position of an actual element from the list:

- if  $p$  is a pointer,  $p$  is valid if it is the address of an element from a list and not NIL
- if  $p$  is the rank of the element from the list,  $p$  is valid if it is between 1 and the size of the list.



For an invalid position we will use the following notation:  $\perp$

- Domain of the ADT List:

$\mathcal{L} = \{I \mid I \text{ is a list with elements of type TElem, each having a unique position in } I \text{ of type TPosition}\}$

- `init(l)`
  - **descr:** creates a new, empty list
  - **pre:** true
  - **post:**  $l \in \mathcal{L}$ ,  $l$  is an empty list



- `destroy(l)`
  - **descr:** destroys a list
  - **pre:**  $l \in \mathcal{L}$
  - **post:**  $l$  was destroyed

- **first(l)**
  - **descr:** returns the TPosition of the first element
  - **pre:**  $l \in \mathcal{L}$
  - **post:**  $first = p \in TPosition$

$$p = \begin{cases} \text{the position of the first element from } l & \text{if } l \neq \emptyset \\ \perp & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- **last(l)**
  - **descr:** returns the TPosition of the last element
  - **pre:**  $l \in \mathcal{L}$
  - **post:**  $last = p \in TPosition$ 
$$p = \begin{cases} \text{the position of the last element from } l & \text{if } l \neq \emptyset \\ \perp & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- **valid**( $l, p$ )
  - **descr:** checks whether a TPosition is valid in a list
  - **pre:**  $l \in \mathcal{L}, p \in TPosition$
  - **post:**  $valid = \begin{cases} true & \text{if } p \text{ is a valid position in } l \\ false & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

- `next(l, p)`
  - **descr:** goes to the next TPosition from a list
  - **pre:**  $l \in \mathcal{L}, p \in TPosition, \text{valid}(l, p)$
  - **post:**

$$\text{next} = q \in TPosition, q = \begin{cases} \text{the position after } p & \text{if } p \text{ is not the last position} \\ \perp & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- **throws:** exception if  $p$  is not valid

- `previous(l, p)`
  - **descr:** goes to the previous TPosition from a list
  - **pre:**  $l \in \mathcal{L}, p \in TPosition, \text{valid}(l, p)$
  - **post:**

$$previous = q \in TPosition q = \begin{cases} \text{the position before } p & \text{if } p \text{ is not the first position} \\ \perp & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- **throws:** exception if  $p$  is not valid

- `getElement(l, p)`
  - **descr:** returns the element from a given `TPosition`
  - **pre:**  $l \in \mathcal{L}, p \in TPosition, \text{valid}(l, p)$
  - **post:**  $\text{getElement} = e, e \in TElem, e = \text{the element at position } p \text{ from } l$
  - **throws:** exception if  $p$  is not valid

- `position(l, e)`
  - **descr:** returns the `TPosition` of an element
  - **pre:**  $l \in \mathcal{L}, e \in TElem$
  - **post:**

$$position = p \in TPosition, p = \begin{cases} \text{the first position of element } e \text{ in } l & \text{if } e \in l \\ \perp & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



- **setElement**( $l, p, e$ )
  - **descr:** replaces an element from a  $TPosition$  with another
  - **pre:**  $l \in \mathcal{L}, p \in TPosition, e \in TElem, valid(l, p)$
  - **post:**  $l' \in \mathcal{L}$ , the element at position  $p$  from  $l'$  is  $e$ ,  
 $setElement = el, el \in TElem, el$  is the element from position  $p$   
from  $l$  (returns the previous value from the position)
  - **throws:** exception if  $p$  is not valid

- **addToBeginning**( $l, e$ )
  - **descr:** adds a new element to the beginning of a list
  - **pre:**  $l \in \mathcal{L}, e \in TElem$
  - **post:**  $l' \in \mathcal{L}$ ,  $l'$  is the result after the element  $e$  was added at the beginning of  $l$

- **addToEnd**( $l, e$ )
  - **descr**: adds a new element to the end of a list
  - **pre**:  $l \in \mathcal{L}, e \in TElem$
  - **post**:  $l' \in \mathcal{L}, l'$  is the result after the element  $e$  was added at the end of  $l$

- `addBeforePosition(l, p, e)`
  - **descr:** inserts a new element before a given position
  - **pre:**  $l \in \mathcal{L}, p \in TPosition, e \in TElem, valid(l, p)$
  - **post:**  $l' \in \mathcal{L}$ ,  $l'$  is the result after the element  $e$  was added in  $l$  before the position  $p$
  - **throws:** exception if  $p$  is not valid

- `addAfterPosition(l, p, e)`
  - **descr:** inserts a new element after a given position
  - **pre:**  $l \in \mathcal{L}, p \in TPosition, e \in TElem, \text{valid}(l, p)$
  - **post:**  $l' \in \mathcal{L}$ ,  $l'$  is the result after the element  $e$  was added in  $l$  after the position  $p$
  - **throws:** exception if  $p$  is not valid

- `remove(l, p)`
  - **descr:** removes an element from a given position from a list
  - **pre:**  $l \in \mathcal{L}, p \in TPosition, \text{valid}(l, p)$
  - **post:**  $\text{remove} = e, e \in TElem, e$  is the element from position  $p$  from  $l, l' \in \mathcal{L}, l' = l - e$ .
  - **throws:** exception if  $p$  is not valid

- `remove(l, e)`
  - **descr:** removes the first occurrence of a given element from a list
  - **pre:**  $l \in \mathcal{L}, e \in TElem$
  - **post:**

$$remove = \begin{cases} true & \text{if } e \in l \text{ and it was removed} \\ false & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- `search(l, e)`
  - **descr:** searches for an element in the list
  - **pre:**  $l \in \mathcal{L}, e \in TElem$
  - **post:**

$$search = \begin{cases} true & \text{if } e \in l \\ false & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



- `size(l)`
  - **descr:** returns the number of elements from a list
  - **pre:**  $l \in \mathcal{L}$
  - **post:** *size* = the number of elements from *l*

- `isEmpty(l)`
  - **descr:** checks if a list is empty
  - **pre:**  $l \in \mathcal{L}$
  - **post:**

$$isEmpty = \begin{cases} true & \text{if } l = \emptyset \\ false & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- `iterator(l, it)`
  - **descr:** returns an iterator for a list
  - **pre:**  $l \in \mathcal{L}$
  - **post:**  $it \in \mathcal{I}$ ,  $it$  is an iterator over  $l$ , referring to the first element from  $l$ . If  $l$  is empty, then  $it$  is invalid.

# TPosition - Integer



In Python and Java, TPosition is Integer, a position being represented by an index.



Python:

```
insert(int index, E object)
```

```
index(E object)
```

- Returns an integer value, position of the element (or exception if *object* is not in the list)



Java:

```
void add(int index, E element)
```

```
E get(int index)
```

```
E remove(int index)
```

- Returns the removed element



If we consider that TPosition is an Integer (similar to Python and Java), we have an **Indexed List**.



In the case of an *Indexed List* the operations that work with positions take as parameters integers representing those positions.



There are less operations in the interface of the *Indexed List*. The operations *first*, *last*, *next*, *previous*, *valid* do not exist.

- `init(l)`
  - **descr:** creates a new, empty list
  - **pre:** true
  - **post:**  $l \in \mathcal{L}$ ,  $l$  is an empty list

- `destroy(l)`
  - **descr:** destroys a list
  - **pre:**  $l \in \mathcal{L}$
  - **post:**  $l$  was destroyed

- `getElement(l, i)`
  - **descr:** returns the element from a given position
  - **pre:**  $l \in \mathcal{L}, i \in \mathcal{N}$ ,  $i$  is a valid position
  - **post:**  $getElement = e, e \in TElem$ ,  $e$  = the element from position  $i$  from  $l$
  - **throws:** exception if  $i$  is not valid



- `position(l, e)`
  - **descr:** returns the position of an element
  - **pre:**  $l \in \mathcal{L}, e \in TElem$
  - **post:**

*position = i*  $i \in \mathcal{N}$

$$i = \begin{cases} \text{the first position of element } e \text{ from } l & \text{if } e \in l \\ -1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- `setElement(l, i, e)`
  - **descr:** replaces an element from a position with another
  - **pre:**  $l \in \mathcal{L}, i \in \mathcal{N}, e \in TElem, i$  is a valid position
  - **post:**  $l' \in \mathcal{L}$ , the element from position  $i$  from  $l'$  is  $e$ ,  
 $setElement = el, el \in TElem, el$  is the element from position  $i$  from  $l$  (returns the previous value from the position)
  - **throws:** exception if  $i$  is not valid

- **addToBeginning**( $l, e$ )
  - **descr:** adds a new element to the beginning of a list
  - **pre:**  $l \in \mathcal{L}, e \in TElem$
  - **post:**  $l' \in \mathcal{L}$ ,  $l'$  is the result after the element  $e$  was added at the beginning of  $l$

- `addToEnd(l, e)`
  - **descr:** adds a new element to the end of a list
  - **pre:**  $l \in \mathcal{L}, e \in TElem$
  - **post:**  $l' \in \mathcal{L}$ ,  $l'$  is the result after the element  $e$  was added at the end of  $l$

- `addToPosition(l, i, e)`
  - **descr:** inserts a new element at a given position (it is the same as *addBeforePosition*)
  - **pre:**  $l \in \mathcal{L}, i \in \mathcal{N}, e \in TElem$ ,  $i$  is a valid position (size + 1 is valid for adding an element)
  - **post:**  $l' \in \mathcal{L}$ ,  $l'$  is the result after the element  $e$  was added in  $l$  at the position  $i$
  - **throws:** exception if  $i$  is not valid

- `remove(l, i)`
  - **descr:** removes an element from a given position from a list
  - **pre:**  $l \in \mathcal{L}, i \in \mathcal{N}$ ,  $i$  is a valid position
  - **post:**  $remove = e, e \in TElem$ ,  $e$  is the element from position  $i$  from  $l, l' \in \mathcal{L}, l' = l - e$ .
  - **throws:** exception if  $i$  is not valid

- `remove(l, e)`
  - **descr:** removes the first occurrence of a given element from a list
  - **pre:**  $l \in \mathcal{L}, e \in TElem$
  - **post:**

$$remove = \begin{cases} true & \text{if } e \in l \text{ and it was removed} \\ false & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- `search(l, e)`
  - **descr:** searches for an element in the list
  - **pre:**  $l \in \mathcal{L}, e \in TElem$
  - **post:**

$$search = \begin{cases} true & \text{if } e \in l \\ false & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



- isEmpty(l)
  - **descr:** checks if a list is empty
  - **pre:**  $l \in \mathcal{L}$
  - **post:**

$$isEmpty = \begin{cases} true & \text{if } l = \emptyset \\ false & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- `size(l)`
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  - **pre:**  $l \in \mathcal{L}$
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- `iterator(l, it)`
  - **descr:** returns an iterator for a list
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  - **post:**  $it \in \mathcal{I}$ ,  $it$  is an iterator over  $l$ , the current element from  $it$  is the first element from  $l$ , or, if  $l$  is empty,  $it$  is invalid



In STL (C++), TPosition is represented by an iterator.



list:

iterator insert(iterator position, const value\_type& val)

- Insert the element *val* before the element referred by the iterator and returns an iterator that points to the newly inserted element

iterator erase(iterator position);

- Deletes the element referred by the iterator and returns an iterator that points to element that followed the element erased by the function call.



If we consider that TPosition is an Iterator (similar to C++) we have an **Iterated List**.



In case of an *Iterated List* the operations that take as parameters positions work with iterators.



Operations *valid*, *next*, *previous* no longer exist in the interface (they are operations for the Iterator).

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  - **descr:** destroys a list
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- `first(l)`
  - **descr:** returns an Iterator set to the first element
  - **pre:**  $l \in \mathcal{L}$
  - **post:**  $first = it \in \text{Iterator}$

$$it = \begin{cases} \text{an iterator set to the first element} & \text{if } l \neq \emptyset \\ \text{an invalid iterator} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



- `last(l)`
  - **descr:** returns an Iterator set to the last element
  - **pre:**  $l \in \mathcal{L}$
  - **post:**  $last = it \in Iterator$   
$$it = \begin{cases} \text{an iterator set to the last element} & \text{if } l \neq \emptyset \\ \text{an invalid iterator} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- `getElement(l, it)`
  - **descr:** returns the element from the position denoted by an Iterator
  - **pre:**  $l \in \mathcal{L}, it \in \text{Iterator}, \text{valid}(it)$
  - **post:**  $\text{getElement} = e, e \in \text{TElem}, e = \text{the element from } l \text{ from the current position}$
  - **throws:** exception if *it* is not valid

- `position(l, e)`
  - **descr:** returns an iterator set to the first position of an element
  - **pre:**  $l \in \mathcal{L}, e \in TElem$
  - **post:**

*position = it*  $\in$  *Iterator*

$it = \begin{cases} \text{an iterator set to the first position of element } e \text{ from } l & \text{if } e \in l \\ \text{an invalid iterator} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

- `setElement(l, it, e)`
  - **descr:** replaces the element from the position denoted by an iterator with another element
  - **pre:**  $l \in \mathcal{L}, it \in \text{Iterator}, e \in \text{TElem}, \text{valid}(it)$
  - **post:**  $l' \in \mathcal{L}$ , the element from the position denoted by  $it$  from  $l'$  is  $e$ ,  $\text{setElement} = el$ ,  $el \in \text{TElem}$ ,  $el$  is the element from the current position from  $it$  from  $l$  (returns the previous value from the position)
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- `addToEnd(l, e)`
  - **descr:** inserts a new element at the end of a list
  - **pre:**  $l \in \mathcal{L}, e \in TElem$
  - **post:**  $l' \in \mathcal{L}$ ,  $l'$  is the result after the element  $e$  was added at the end of  $l$

- `addToPosition(l, it, e)`
  - **descr:** inserts a new element at a given position specified by the iterator (it is the same as *addAfterPosition*)
  - **pre:**  $l \in \mathcal{L}, it \in \text{Iterator}, e \in \text{TElem}, \text{valid}(it)$
  - **post:**  $l' \in \mathcal{L}, l'$  is the result after the element  $e$  was added in  $l$  at the position specified by  $it$
  - **throws:** exception if  $it$  is not valid

- `remove(l, it)`
  - **descr:** removes an element from a given position specified by the iterator from a list
  - **pre:**  $l \in \mathcal{L}, it \in \text{Iterator}, \text{valid}(it)$
  - **post:**  $\text{remove} = e, e \in \text{TElem}, e$  is the element from the position from  $l$  denoted by  $it, l' \in \mathcal{L}, l' = l - e$ .
  - **throws:** exception if  $it$  is not valid



- `remove(l, e)`
  - **descr:** removes the first occurrence of a given element from a list
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  - **descr:** searches for an element in the list
  - **pre:**  $l \in \mathcal{L}, e \in TElem$
  - **post:**

$$search = \begin{cases} true & \text{if } e \in l \\ false & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- `isEmpty()`
  - **descr:** checks if a list is empty
  - **pre:**  $l \in \mathcal{L}$
  - **post:**

$$isEmpty = \begin{cases} & \text{if } l = \emptyset \\ false & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- `size(l)`
  - **descr:** returns the number of elements from a list
  - **pre:**  $l \in \mathcal{L}$
  - **post:** *size* = the number of elements from *l*

# ADT List - Applications



## Applications of ADT List:



### Music player

- A music player can use a list to allow switching to the next/previous or playing the song at a given position



### Web browsers

- To keep track of the visited pages



### File history

- To store the version history of a file



### Multi-player games

- To keep the track of turns



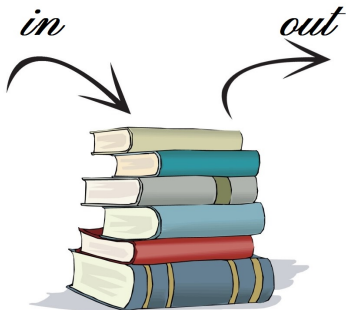
The ADT **Stack** represents a container in which the access to the elements is restricted to one end of the container, called the *top* of the stack.

- A new element is automatically added to the top.
- The only element that can be removed is the one from the top.
- Only the element from the top can be accessed.

# ADT Stack

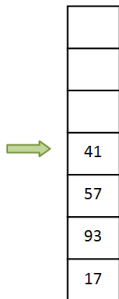


Due to this restricted access, the stack is said to have a **Last In, First Out LIFO** policy.



# ADT Stack Example

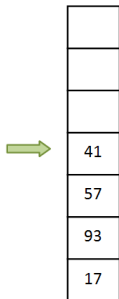
- Suppose that we have the following stack (green arrow shows the top of the stack):
- We *push* the number 33:



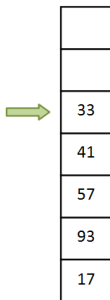


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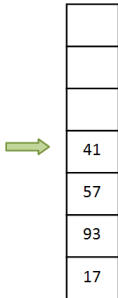
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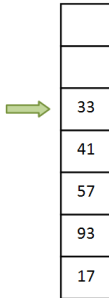
- We *pop* an element:

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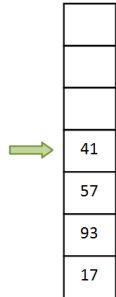
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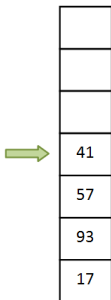


- We *pop* an element:



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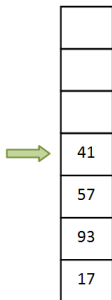
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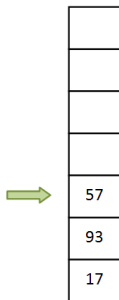
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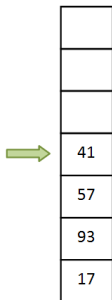
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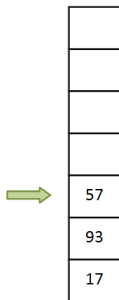
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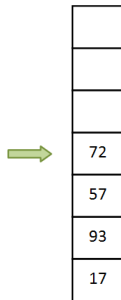
- This is our stack:



- We *pop* another element:



- We *push* the number 72:



- The domain of the ADT Stack:

$\mathcal{S} = \{s \mid s \text{ is a stack with elements of type } TElem\}$

- `init(s)`
  - **descr:** creates a new empty stack
  - **pre:** True
  - **post:**  $s \in \mathcal{S}$ ,  $s$  is an empty stack

- `destroy(s)`
  - **descr:** destroys a stack
  - **pre:**  $s \in \mathcal{S}$
  - **post:**  $s$  was destroyed



- `push(s, e)`
  - **descr:** pushes (adds) a new element onto the stack
  - **pre:**  $s \in \mathcal{S}$ ,  $e$  is a *TElem*
  - **post:**  $s' \in \mathcal{S}$ ,  $s' = s \oplus e$ ,  $e$  is the most recent element added to the stack

- **pop(s)**
  - **descr:** pops (removes) the most recent element from the stack
  - **pre:**  $s \in \mathcal{S}$ ,  $s$  is not empty
  - **post:**  $pop = e$ ,  $e$  is a  $TElem$ ,  $e$  is the most recent element from  $s$ ,  $s' \in \mathcal{S}$ ,  $s' = s \ominus e$
  - **throws:** an *underflow* exception if the stack is empty

- **top(s)**
  - **descr:** returns the most recent element from the stack (but it does not change the stack)
  - **pre:**  $s \in \mathcal{S}$ ,  $s$  is not empty
  - **post:**  $top = e$ ,  $e$  is a *TElem*,  $e$  is the most recent element from  $s$
  - **throws:** an *underflow* exception if the stack is empty

- isEmpty(s)
  - **descr:** checks if the stack is empty (has no elements)
  - **pre:**  $s \in \mathcal{S}$
  - **post:**

$$isEmpty = \begin{cases} true, & \text{if } s \text{ has no elements} \\ false, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



**Note:** Stacks cannot be iterated, so they don't have an *iterator* operation.



Data structures that can be used to represent a Stack:

- Arrays
  - Static Array - if we want a fixed-capacity stack
  - Dynamic Array
- Linked Lists
  - Singly-Linked List
  - Doubly-Linked List

## Array-based representation



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# Array-based representation



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We have two options:

- Place the *top* at the beginning of the array  $\Rightarrow$  every push and pop operation needs to shift every other element to the right or left.



Place the *top* at the end of the array  $\Rightarrow$  push and pop without moving the other elements.





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We have two options:

- Place it at the end of the list  $\Rightarrow$  for every push, pop and top we have to iterate through every element to get to the end of the list.



Place it at the beginning of the list - we can push and pop elements without iterating through the list.



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Place it at the end of the list (like we did when using an array)  
⇒ we can push and pop elements without iterating through the list.



Place it at the beginning of the list (like we did when using a SLL) ⇒ we can push and pop elements without iterating through the list.

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Similar to the implementation with a static array, we can keep in the *Stack* structure two integer values (besides the top node): maximum capacity and current size.



## Applications of stacks:



### Expression evaluations

- For evaluating arithmetic expressions



### Programming languages

- Function Call Stack



### Trees

- For Depth First traversal



### Backtracking

- For storing the states in the search space



? Considering the queue above, if a new person arrives, where should he/she stand?

? When the blue lady finishes, who is going to be the next at the ATM?





The ADT **Queue** represents a container in which the access to the elements is restricted to the two ends of the container, called *front* and *rear*.

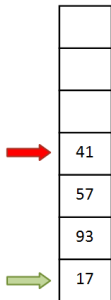
- When a new element is added (pushed), it has to be added to the *rear* of the queue.
- When an element is removed (popped), it will be the one at the *front* of the queue.



Because of this restricted access, the queue is said to have a **First In First Out (FIFO)** policy.

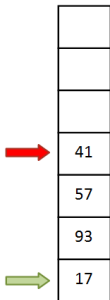
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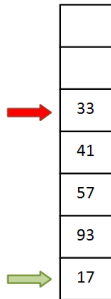


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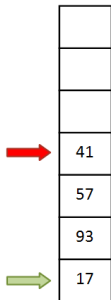
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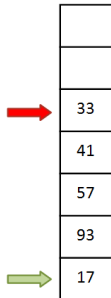
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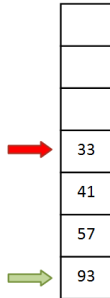
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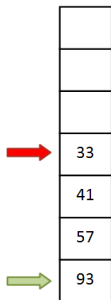


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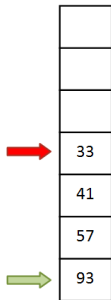
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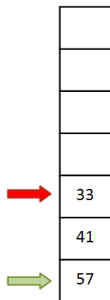


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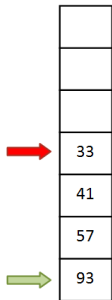
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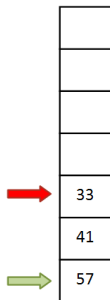
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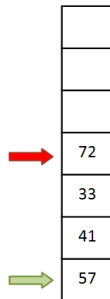
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- Pop an element:



- Push number 72:



- The domain of the ADT Queue:  
 $\mathcal{Q} = \{q \mid q \text{ is a queue with elements of type } TElem\}$



- `init(q)`
  - **descr:** creates a new empty queue
  - **pre:** True
  - **post:**  $q \in \mathcal{Q}$ ,  $q$  is an empty queue

- `destroy(q)`
  - **descr:** destroys a queue
  - **pre:**  $q \in \mathcal{Q}$
  - **post:**  $q$  was destroyed

- **push**( $q$ ,  $e$ )
  - **descr:** pushes (adds) a new element to the rear of the queue
  - **pre:**  $q \in \mathcal{Q}$ ,  $e$  is a *TElem*
  - **post:**  $q' \in \mathcal{Q}$ ,  $q' = q \oplus e$ ,  $e$  is the element at the rear of the queue

- **pop(q)**
  - **descr:** pops (removes) the element from the front of the queue
  - **pre:**  $q \in \mathcal{Q}$ ,  $q$  is not empty
  - **post:**  $pop = e$ ,  $e$  is a *TElem*,  $e$  is the element at the front of  $q$ ,  $q' \in \mathcal{Q}$ ,  $q' = q \ominus e$
  - **throws:** an *underflow* exception if the queue is empty

- **top(q)**
  - **descr:** returns the element from the front of the queue (but it does not change the queue)
  - **pre:**  $q \in \mathcal{Q}$ ,  $q$  is not empty
  - **post:**  $top = e$ ,  $e$  is a *TElem*,  $e$  is the element from the front of  $q$
  - **throws:** an *underflow* exception if the queue is empty

- isEmpty(q)
  - **descr:** checks if the queue is empty (has no elements)
  - **pre:**  $q \in \mathcal{Q}$
  - **post:**

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## Queue - representation on a SLL



If we want to represent a Queue using a SLL, where should we place the *front* and the *rear* of the queue?



We have two options:

- Put *front* at the beginning of the list and *rear* at the end
- Put *front* at the end of the list and *rear* at the beginning



## Queue - representation on a SLL



In either case we have one operation (push or pop) with  $\Theta(n)$  complexity.



We can improve the complexity of the operations if, even though the list is singly linked, we keep both the head and the tail of the list.

## Queue - representation on a DLL



If we want to implement a Queue using a doubly linked list, where should we place the *front* and the *rear* of the queue?



We have two options:

- Put *front* at the beginning of the list and *rear* at the end
- Put *front* at the end of the list and *rear* at the beginning

# Queue - Applications



## Applications of queues:



### Operating systems

- For job scheduling



### Websites

- A virtual waiting room implemented using a queue prevents website slow-downs



### E-mail queue

- An email queue enables asynchronous communication by creating a buffer of outgoing emails.



### Print queue

- To store all active and pending print jobs



### Trees

- For Breadth-First traversal



### Media player queues

- For sequential playing of the songs in a playlist



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