Linear data structures

Arrays, vectors, linked lists

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Array

```
1 #define MAX_N 10000
2 int tab[MAX_N];
3
4 int main() {
5     tab[1234] = 100;
6     tab[1234]; // 100
7     tab[5678]; // 0
8 }
```

- Size fixed at compile time
- Accessing any element: $\mathcal{O}(1)$
- Tip: if declared outside a function, initialised to zero

Bitset

C++ : `bitset`

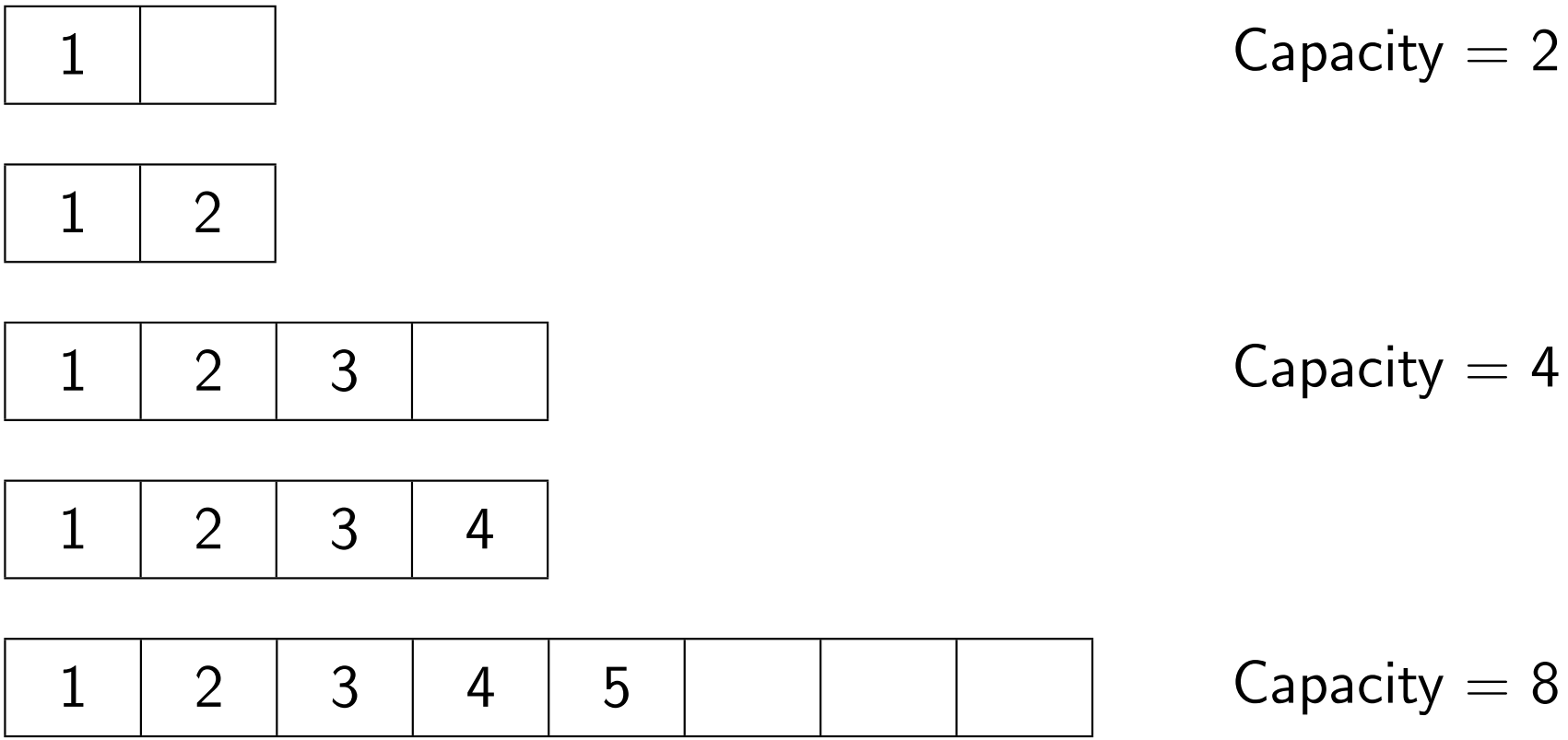
Java : `BitSet`

```
1 bitset<MAX_N> tab; // bool tab[MAX_N];
2 tab[1234] = true;
3
4 bitset<4> b1(string("1100")),
5           b2(string("0101"));
6 b1 | b2; // 1101
7 b1 & b2; // 0100
8 b1 >> 1; // 0110
```

- Like an array of booleans
- 8 times more compact
- Bitwise operations 64 times faster
- See manual for the list of operations

Dynamic array: logic

If out of space, double the capacity



Dynamic array: in practice

C++ : `vector`

Java : `ArrayList<E>`

```
1 vector<int> vec(8, -1); // initialize to -1
2 vec[5] += vec[2];       // -2
3 vec.push_back(5);
4 vec.push_back(19);
5 vec.pop_back();
6 vec.back();             // 5
```

- Size increases and decreases
- Accessing any element: $\mathcal{O}(1)$
- Adding/removing an element **at the end**: $\mathcal{O}(1)$
- Adding/removing elsewhere: $\mathcal{O}(n)$

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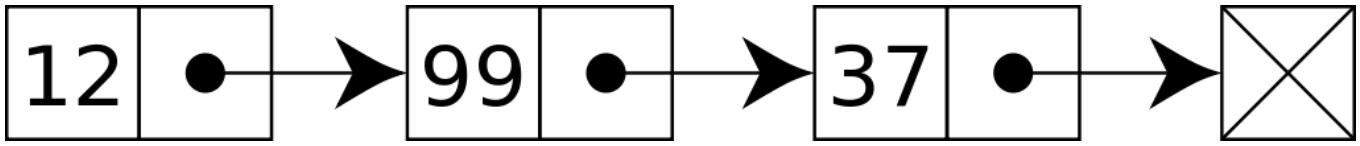
Linked list: concept

Nodes bound by links (pointers)

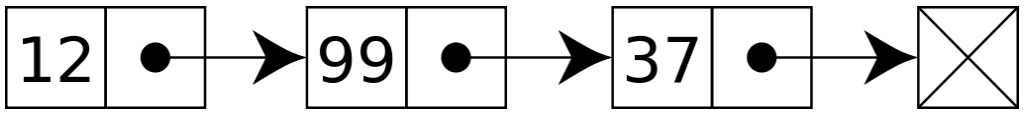


- Every node knows where is the next one
- Nodes are not necessarily next to each other in memory

```
1 struct Node {
2     int value;
3     Node *next; // link (pointer)
4 };
```

Linked list: iterating over elements

Start at the first node and follow the links

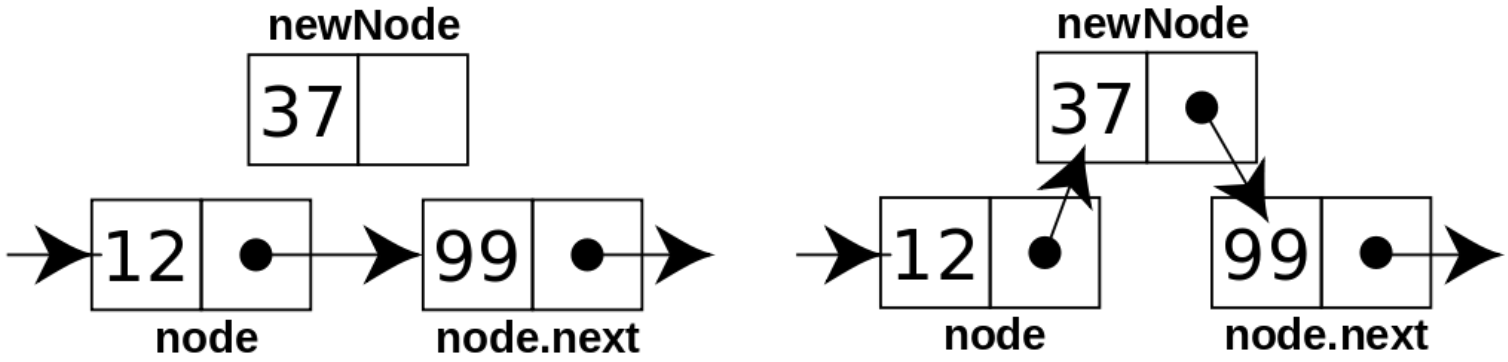


The link in the last node contains NULL:

```
1 Node *cur = start;    // always keep the first node!
2 while (cur != NULL) {
3     cur->value;       // access value
4     cur = cur->next; // switch pointer to next
5 }
```

Linked list: adding elements

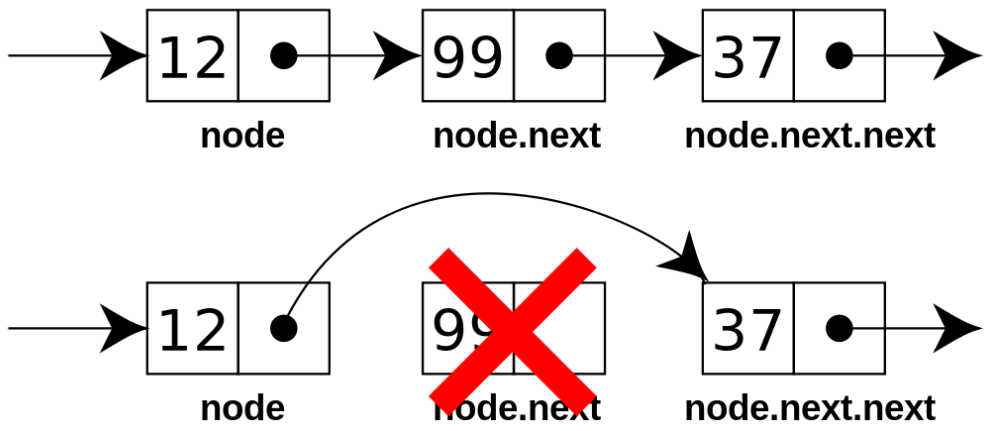
Only two links have to be changed




```
1 void insertAfter(Node *node, Node *new_node) {
2     new_node->next = node->next;
3     node->next = new_node;
4 }
```

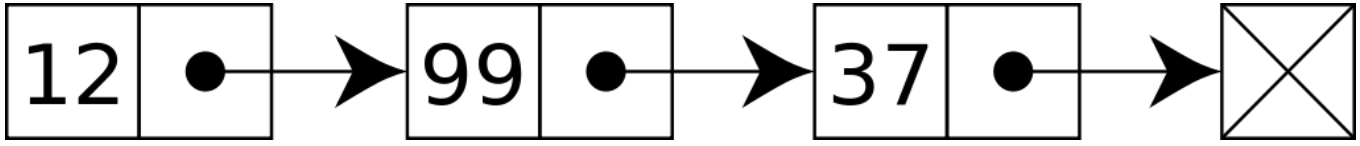
Linked list: removing elements

Change the link and remove the node




```
1 void removeAfter(Node *node) {
2     Node *toRemove = node->next;
3     node->next = node->next->next; // bypass
4     free(toRemove);
5 }
```

Linked list: limitations



With a (singly) linked list:

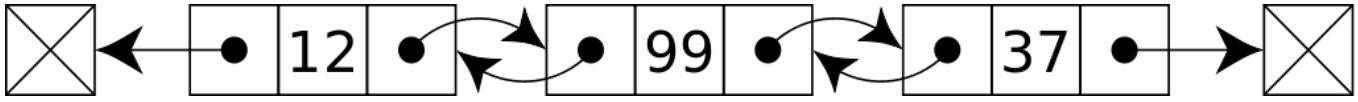
- Adding/removing at the beginning: $\mathcal{O}(1)$
- Adding/removing at a **given** location: $\mathcal{O}(1)$

Operations at the back:

- Adding at the back: $\mathcal{O}(1)$
- Removing at the back: impossible to do directly, $\mathcal{O}(n)$

Doubly linked list

Links in both ways!



- Iteration in both ways
- Removing at the back $\mathcal{O}(1)$
- A bit more memory-heavy

```
1 struct Node {
2     int value;
3     Node *prev, *next; // two pointers
4 };
```

Linked lists: in practice

C++ : `list`

Java : `LinkedList<E>`

```
1  list<int> l;
2  list<int>::iterator it;
3
4  l.push_back(3);   // 3
5  it = l.begin();   // ^ points to 3
6  l.push_back(4);   // 3 4
7  l.push_front(1);  // 1 3 4
8  l.insert(it, 2);  // 1 2 3 4 (inserts before 3)
9  l.pop_front();    // 2 3 4
10 l.pop_back();     // 2 3
```

- `list<>` is doubly linked
- Remember positions using `iterators`
- Everything is $\mathcal{O}(1)$

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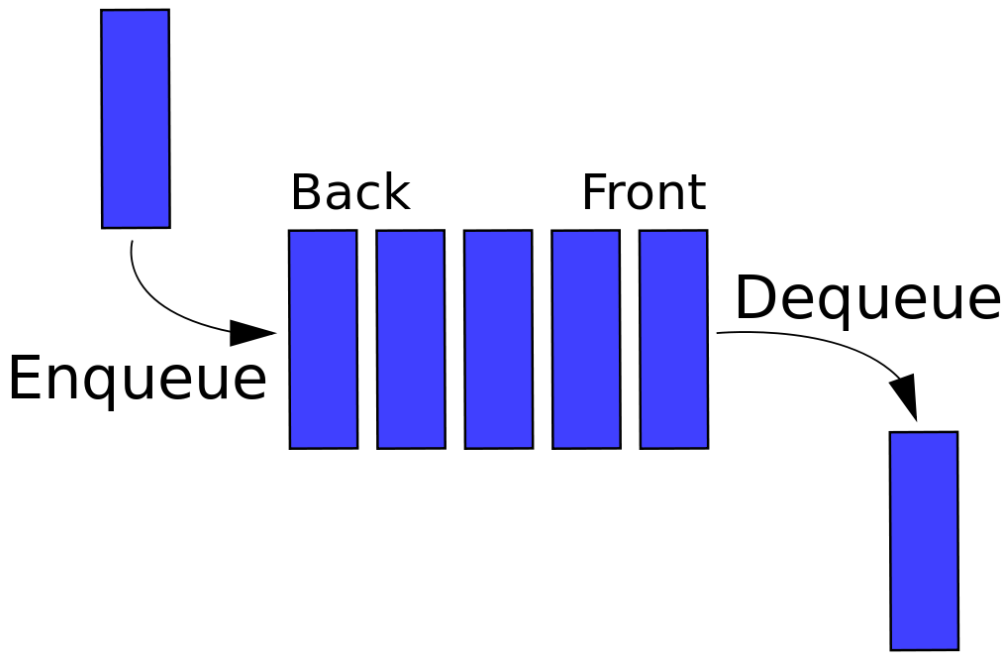
Queue: concept

- Queuing in a store
- We add at the back, we remove at the front
- "First In First Out"



Queue: in practice

C++ : `queue`

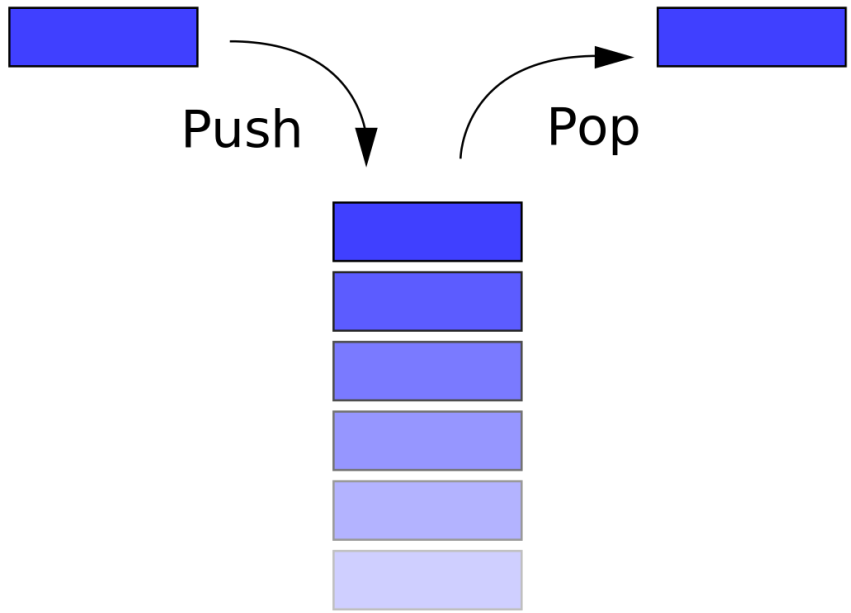
Java : `Queue<E>`

- Adding at the back, removing at the front $\Rightarrow$ linked list
- Everything is $\mathcal{O}(1)$

```
queue<int> q;
q.push(1);
q.push(2);
q.front(); // 1
q.pop();
q.front(); // 2
```

Stack: concept

- Stack of pancakes
- We add at the top, we remove from the top
- "Last In First Out"



Stack: in practice

C++ : `stack`

Java : `Stack<E>`

- Adding and removing at the back $\Rightarrow$ liste chaînée *ou* *vecteur*
- Everything is $\mathcal{O}(1)$

```
1 stack<int> q;
2 q.push(1);
3 q.push(2);
4 q.top(); // 2
5 q.pop();
6 q.top(); // 1
```

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Choice: special structures

Structures for special needs:

- Adding from one side and removing from the other $\Rightarrow$ **queue**
- Adding and removing from the same side $\Rightarrow$ **stack**
- Booleans, bitwise operations (and, or, shift, ...) $\Rightarrow$ **bitset**

Otherwise, see next slide!

Choice: arrays, vectors, linked lists

"Add" = adding or removing

Structure	Indexation	Add (back)	Add (middle)
Array	$\mathcal{O}(1)$	$\mathcal{O}(n)$	$\mathcal{O}(n)$
Vector	$\mathcal{O}(1)$	$\mathcal{O}(1)$	$\mathcal{O}(n)$
Linked list	$\mathcal{O}(n)$	$\mathcal{O}(1)$	$\mathcal{O}(1)$

- Adding in the middle (rare) $\Rightarrow$ **list**
- Unknown maximal size $\Rightarrow$ **vector**
- All other cases $\Rightarrow$ **array** (faster)

Sources of the images

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