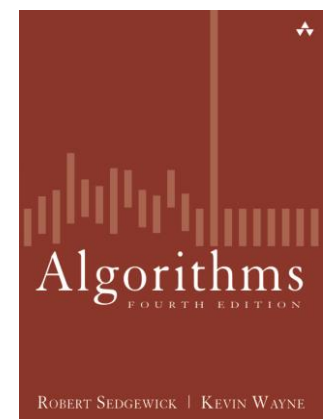


# ID1020: Stacks and Queues

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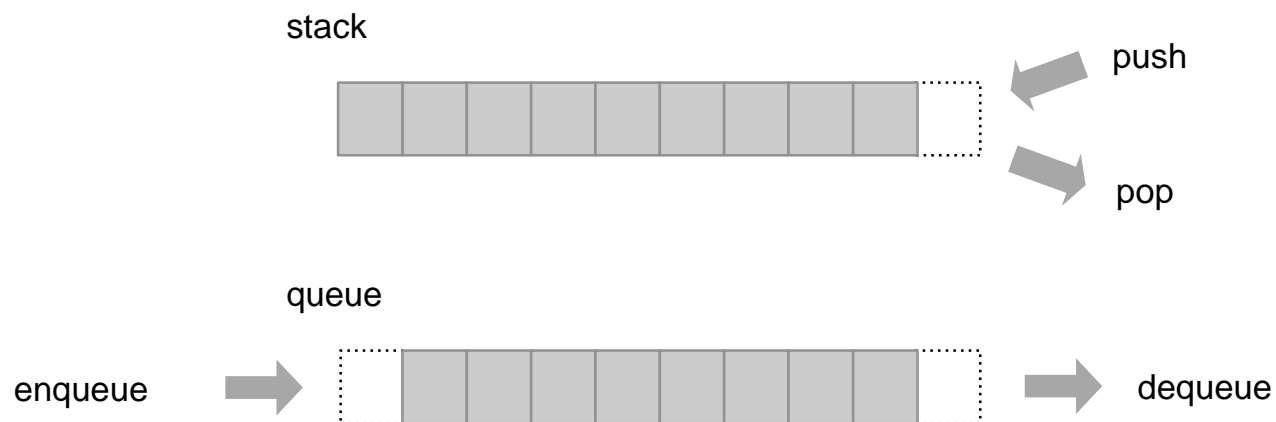


Slides adapted from Algorithms 4<sup>th</sup> Edition, Sedgewick.

# Stacks and queues

- Fundamental datatypes.

- Collections of objects.
- Operations: **insert, remove, iterate, check if empty**.
- Obvious what it means to insert an object.
- But which element should be removed?



- **Stack.** Remove *most recently added*
- **Kö.** Remove *least recently added*.

← LIFO = "last in first out"

← FIFO = "first in first out"

# Client, implementation, interface

- Separate the interface from the implementation.

For example, stack, queue, priority queue, symbol table, union-find, ....

- Advantages.

- Client does not need and should not know the details of the implementation
- Implementation may be changed without impacting client
- Client can choose from different implementations.
- Implementation does and should not know the details of client needs
- Different and diverse clients can use the same implementation.
- **Design**: create modules, reusable libraries.
- **Performance**: can use an optimized implementation when needed.

**Client:** programs using operations defined in the interface.

**Implementation:** code that implements the operations.

**Interface:** describes the operations or services offered..

# Bags, stacks and queues

# Stack API

**Example API.** Stack of the String datatype.

```
public class StackOfStrings
```

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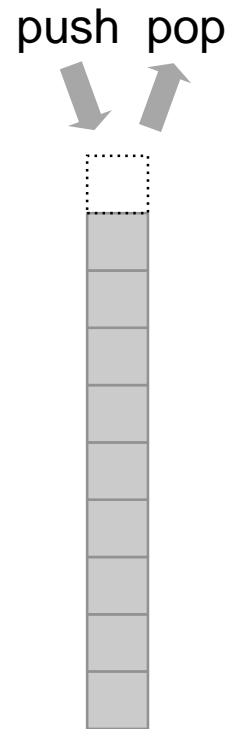
```
    StackOfStrings()    create an empty stack
```

```
    void push(String item)    insert a new string onto stack
```

```
    String pop()    remove and return the string  
most recently added
```

```
    boolean isEmpty()    is the stack empty?
```

```
    int size()    number of strings on the stack
```

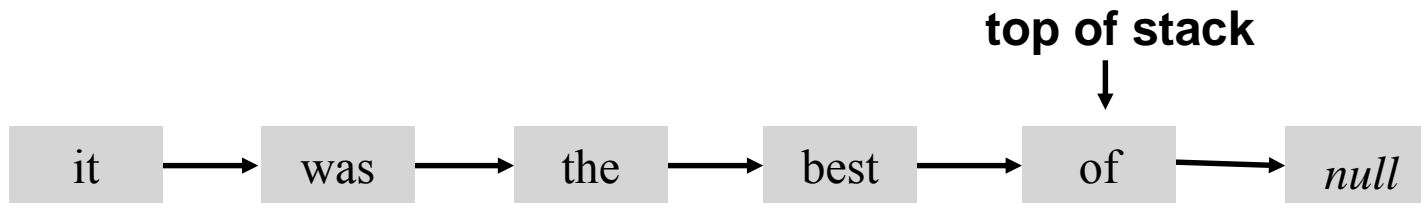


**Example.** Reverse a sequence of strings from standard input.

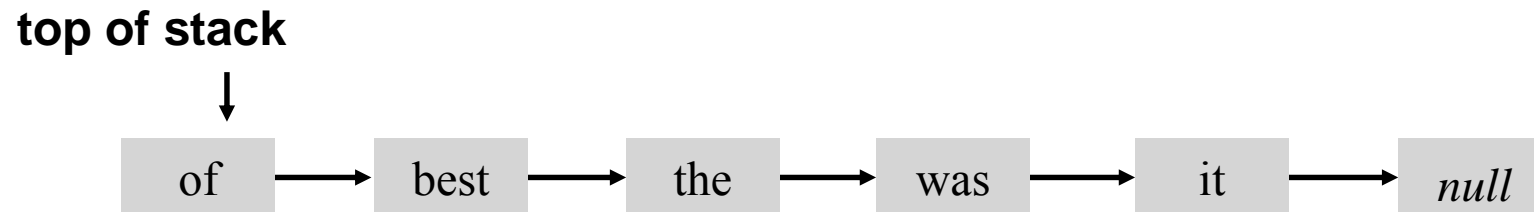
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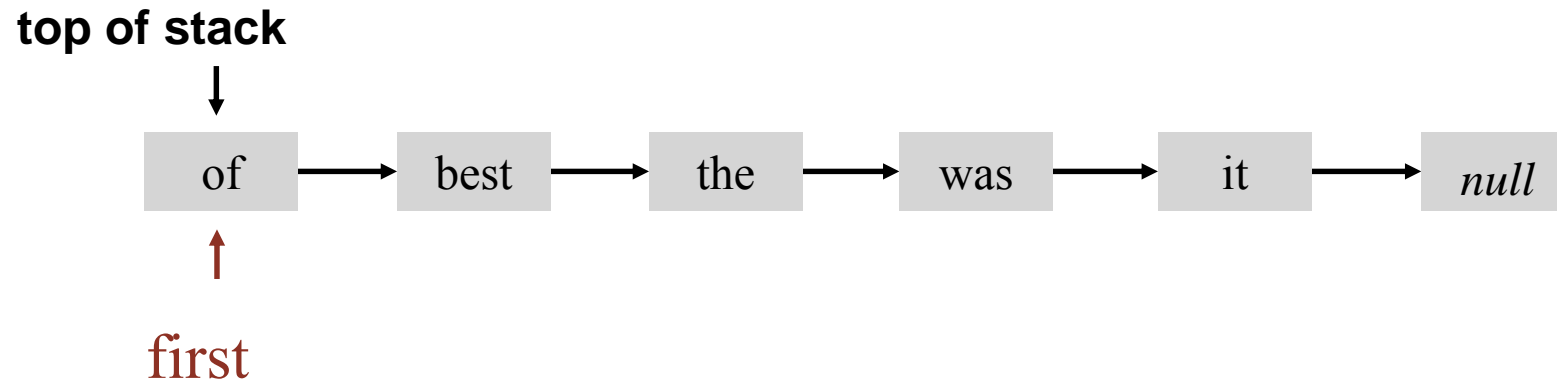


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# Stack: linked list implementation

- Use `first` to reference the first node in a linked list (singly-linked).
- Push create a new element to place before `first` and update `first`.
- Pop return the first element and update `first`.



# Stack pop: linked list implementation

## inner class

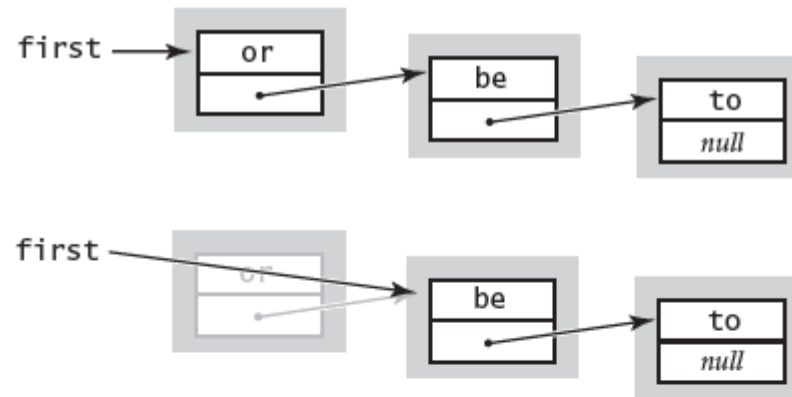
```
private class Node
{
    String item;
    Node next;
}
```

## save item to return

```
String item = first.item;
```

## delete first node

```
first = first.next;
```



## return saved item

```
return item;
```



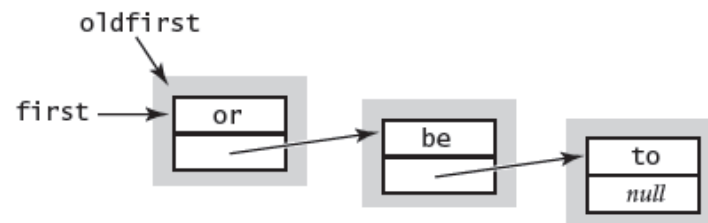
# Stack push: linked list implementation

## inner class

```
private class Node
{
    String item;
    Node next;
}
```

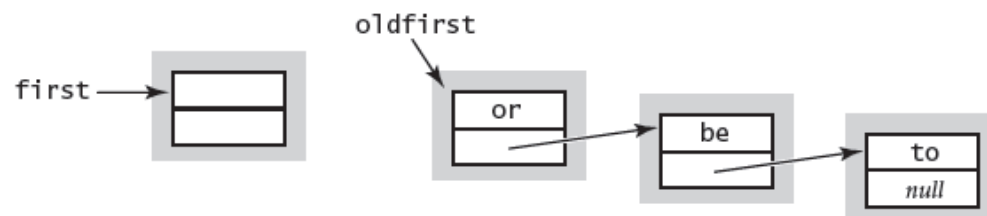
## save a link to the list

```
Node oldfirst = first;
```



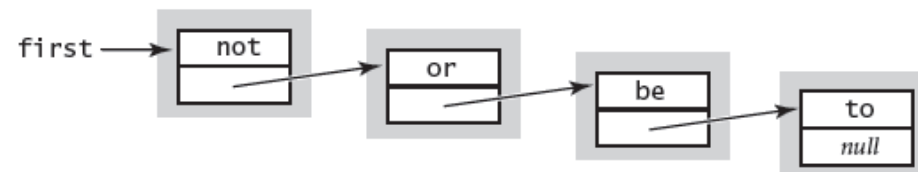
## create a new node for the beginning

```
first = new Node();
```



## set the instance variables in the new node


```
first.item = "not";
first.next = oldfirst;
```



# Stack: linked list implementation in Java

```
public class LinkedStackOfStrings {  
    private Node first = null;  
    private class Node  
    {  
        String item;  
        Node next;  
    }  
  
    public boolean isEmpty()  
    { return first == null; }  
  
    public void push(String item) {  
        Node oldfirst = first;  
        first = new Node();  
        first.item = item;  
        first.next = oldfirst;  
    }  
  
    public String pop() {  
        String item = first.item;  
        first = first.next;  
        return item;  
    }  
}
```

Within inner class - access modifiers  
unnecessary

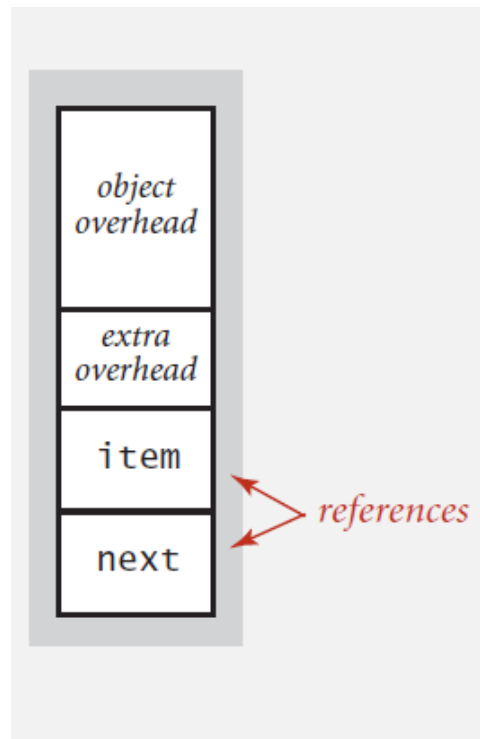


# Stack: linked list implementation performance

- **Theorem.** Every operation can be done in constant time even in worst case.
- **Theorem** A stack with  $N$  element uses  $\sim 40 N$  bytes of memory

inner class

```
private class Node {  
    String item;  
    Node next;  
}
```



16 bytes (object overhead)

8 bytes (inner class extra overhead)

8 bytes (reference to String)

8 bytes (reference to Node)

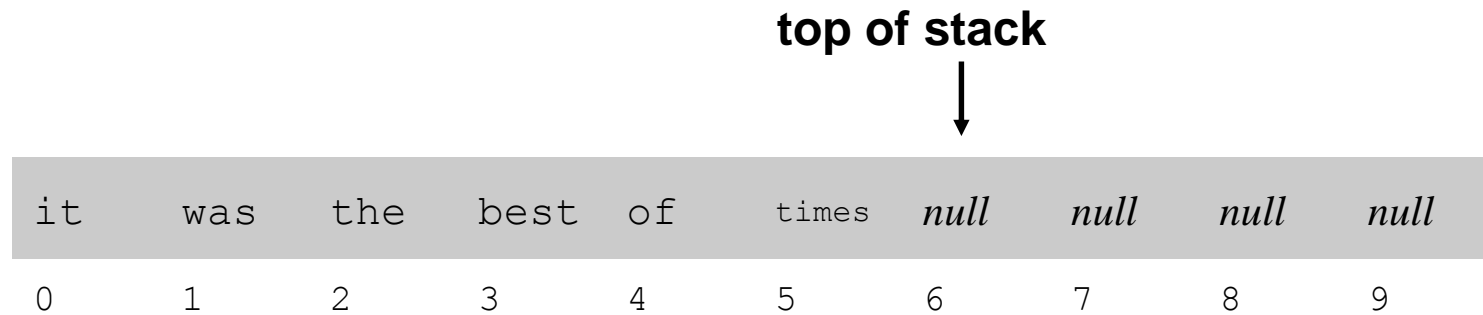
40 bytes per stack node

- **Note.** Only stack memory is taken into account, i.e. not the memory for the strings themselves which are owned by the client.

# How could we implement a fixed-capacity stack using an array?

A. Cannot be done efficiently.

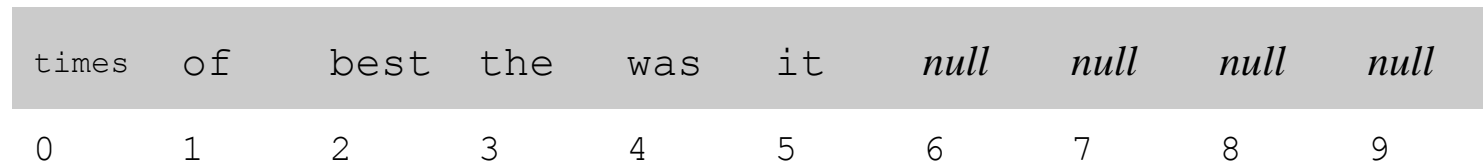
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top of stack

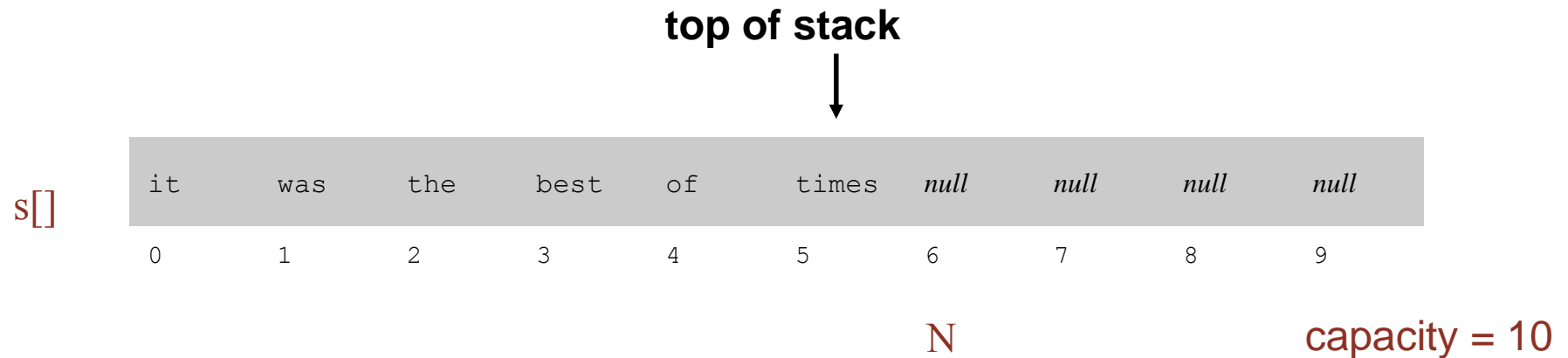


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# Fixed-capacity stack: array implementation

- Use an array  $s[]$  to store the  $N$  elements on the stack
  - `push()`: inserts at  $s[N]$ .
  - `pop()`: removes at  $s[N-1]$ .



**Defect.** Stack-overflow will occur when  $N$  is larger than capacity

# Fixed-capacity stack: array implementation

```
public class FixedCapacityStackOfStrings {
    private String[] s;
    private int N = 0;

    public FixedCapacityStackOfStrings(int capacity)
    {   s = new String[capacity];   }

    public boolean isEmpty()
    {   return N == 0;   }

    public void push(String item){
        s[N++] = item;
    }

    public String pop()
    {   return s[--N];   }
}
```

Why N++ and not ++N?

Why --N and not N--?

# Design considerations

- **Overflow and underflow.**
  - Underflow: throw an exception if client calls *pop* on an empty stack.
  - Overflow: use a *resizing array* for the array implementation.
- **Null element:** it is permitted to insert null elements.
- **Loitering.** *Loitering* happens when references to objects that by program logic can never again be accessed remain live in view of the runtime system and cannot be garbage-collected.

```
public String pop() {  
    return s[--N];  
    //Vi glömde nollställa s[N]!  
}
```

loitering

```
public String pop() {  
    String item = s[--N];  
    s[N] = null;  
    return item;  
}
```

**This version avoids loitering.**

**From the point-of-view of the garbage  
collection as long as the array is live then all  
its elements are !!**

# Stacks: resizing arrays

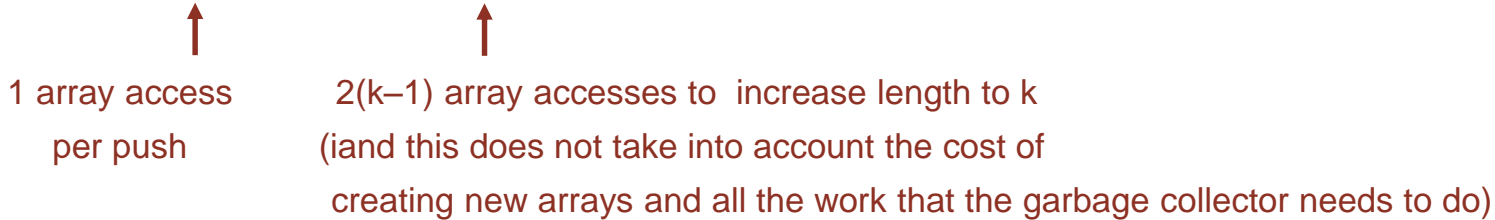


# Stack: resizing-array implementation

- **Problem.** API is broken if client has to specify capacity!
- When and by how much should be expand and shrink the array?
- **First attempt.**
  - `push()`: increase size by 1.
  - `pop()`: diminish size by 1.
- **To expensive.**
  - We need to copy all elements to a new array for each *push* operation.

Number of array accesses to push  $N$  element =

$$N + (2 + 4 + \dots + 2(N-1)) \sim N^2.$$



1 array access  
per push

2(k-1) array accesses to increase length to k  
(iand this does not take into account the cost of  
creating new arrays and all the work that the garbage collector needs to do)
- **Challenge.** Ensure that array "resizing" rarely occurs.

# Stack: resizing-array implementation

- By how much should the array size be increased? <sup>"repeated doubling"</sup>
- If the array is full, create a new array **twice as large** och copy the elements

```
public ResizingArrayStackOfStrings() { s = new String[1]; }  
public void push(String item) {  
    if (N == s.length) resize(2 * s.length);  
    s[N++] = item;  
}  
private void resize(int capacity) {  
    String[] copy = new String[capacity];  
    for (int i = 0; i < N; i++) {  
        copy[i] = s[i];  
    }  
    s = copy;  
}
```

- Result: to time needed to push  $N$  element is now proportional to  $N$  and not  $N^2$

# Stack: resizing-array implementation

- How to diminish the size of the array?
- First attempt.
  - `push()`: double the size when the array is full.
  - `pop()`: halve the size when the array is **half-full**.
- Too expensive in worst case.
  - Consider the sequence push-pop-push-pop-... when the array is half full.
  - The time for every operation is proportional to  $N$ .

N = 5	to	be	or	not	to	<i>null</i>	<i>null</i>	<i>null</i>
N = 4	to	be	or	not				
N = 5	to	be	or	not	to	<i>null</i>	<i>null</i>	<i>null</i>
N = 4	to	be	or	not				

# Stack: resizing-array implementation

- Efficient solution.

- `push()`: double the size when the array is full.
- `pop()`: halve the size when the array is **one quarte full**.

```
public String pop() {  
    String item = s[--N];  
    s[N] = null;  
    if (N > 0 && N == s.length/4) {  
        resize(s.length/2);  
    }  
    return item;  
}
```


- Invariant. Array is always between 25% och 100% full.

# Stack resizing-array implementation: performance

- **Amortized analys.** Begin with an empty stack, take the average time per operation over a worst-case sequence of operations.
- **Theorem.** Starting with an empty stack, all possible sequences of  $M$  push and pop operations consume time that is proportional to  $N$

	best	worst	amortized
<b>construct</b>	1	1	1
<b>push</b>	1	$N$	1
<b>pop</b>	1	$N$	1
<b>size</b>	1	1	1

doubling och  
halving operations



# Stack resizing-array implementation: memory usage

- **Theorem.** Uses between  $\sim 8 N$  och  $\sim 32 N$  bytes for a stack of  $N$  elements.
  - $\sim 8 N$  when full.
  - $\sim 32 N$  when a quarter full.
  - $\sim 20 N$  on average (compare this to  $40N$  for linked list implementation)

```
public class ResizingArrayStackOfStrings
{
    private String[] s;
    private int N = 0;
    ...
}
```

8 bytes (reference to array)

24 bytes (array overhead)

← 8 bytes × array storlek

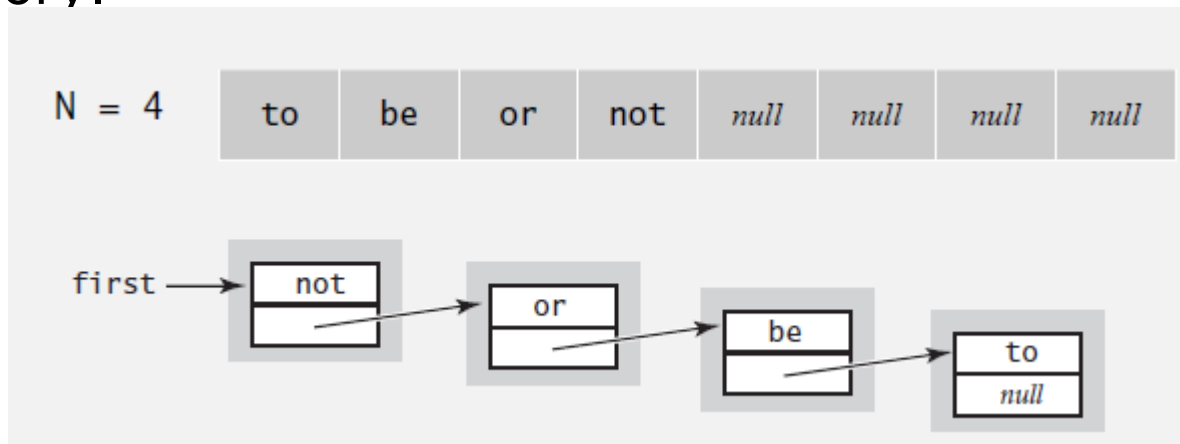
← 4 bytes (int)

← 4 bytes (padding)

- **Note** The calculation only takes into account memory usage of the stack (i.e., not the memory of the strings themselves which are owned by the client).

# Stack implementations: resizing array vs. linked list

- **Choice.** Stacks can be implemented using resizing arrays or with linked lists; the client can choose on or the other.
- **Which is the better? Classical time vs memory tradeoff**
- **Linked list implementation.**
  - Every operation takes constant time even in **worst case**.
  - Uses more memory, and push/pop operations more expensive than for an array (where no resizing is done)
- **Resizing-array implementation.**
  - Every operation takes constant **amortized** time.
  - Less memory.



# Resizing arrays: queues



# Queue API

```
public class QueueOfStrings
```

---

```
    QueueOfStrings()
```

*create an empty queue*

```
    void enqueue(String item)
```

*insert a new string onto queue*

```
    String dequeue()
```

*remove and return the string  
least recently added*

```
    boolean isEmpty()
```

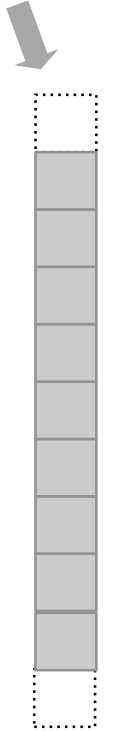
*is the queue empty?*

```
    int size()
```

*number of strings on the queue*



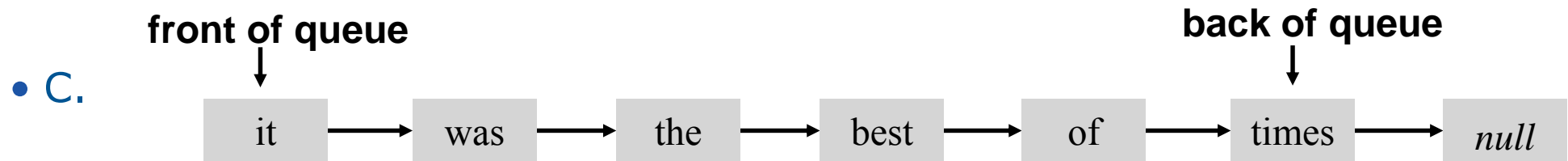
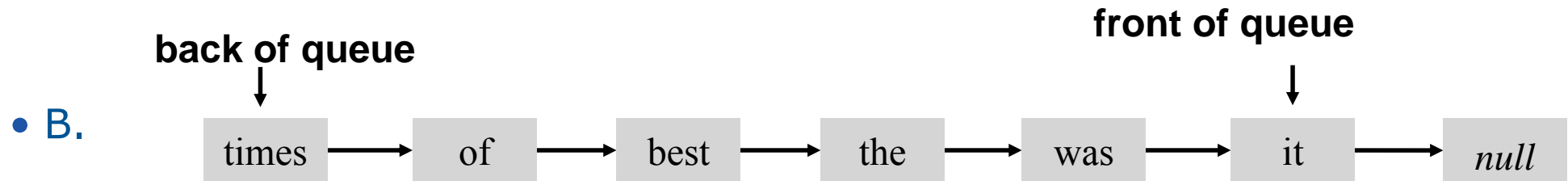
enqueue



dequeue

# How do we implement a queue using a linked list?

- A. Cannot be done efficiently.



# Deque: linked list implementation

**save item to return**

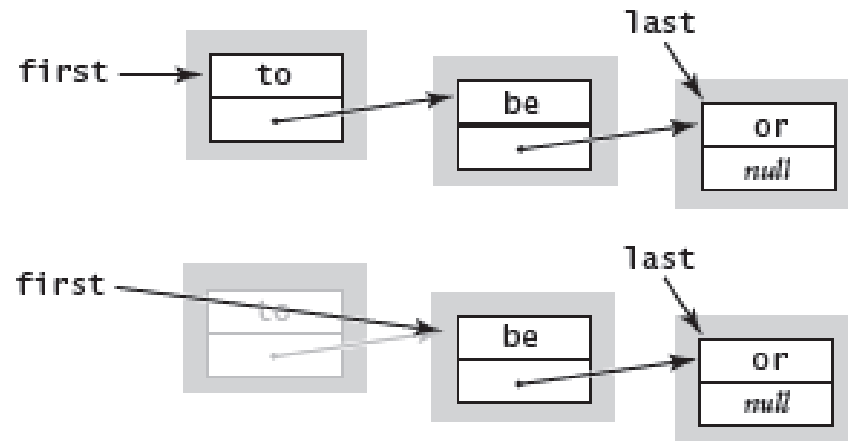
```
String item = first.item;
```

**delete first node**

```
first = first.next;
```

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```
private class Node {  
    String item;  
    Node next;  
}
```



**return saved item**

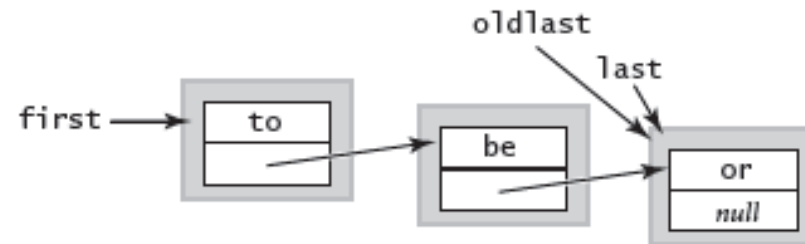
```
return item;
```

- **Note.** Identical code to linked list stack `pop()`.

# Enqueue: linked list implementation

save a link to the last node

```
Node oldlast = last;
```

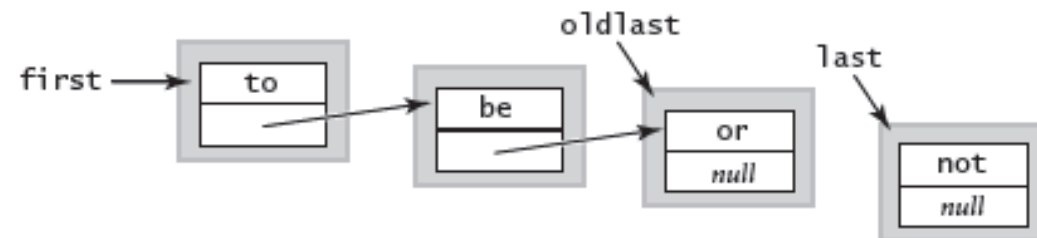


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    Node next;  
}
```

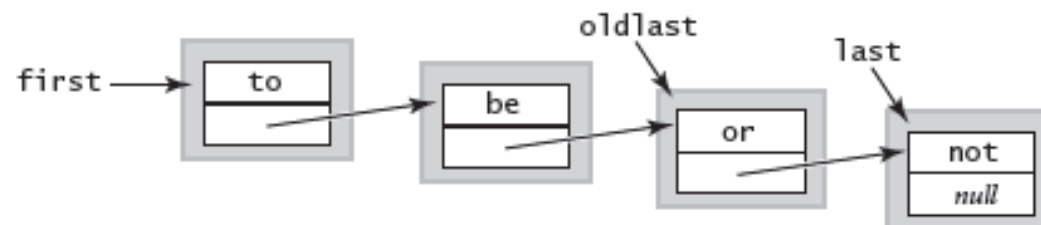
create a new node for the end

```
last = new Node();  
last.item = "not";
```



link the new node to the end of the list

```
oldlast.next = last;
```



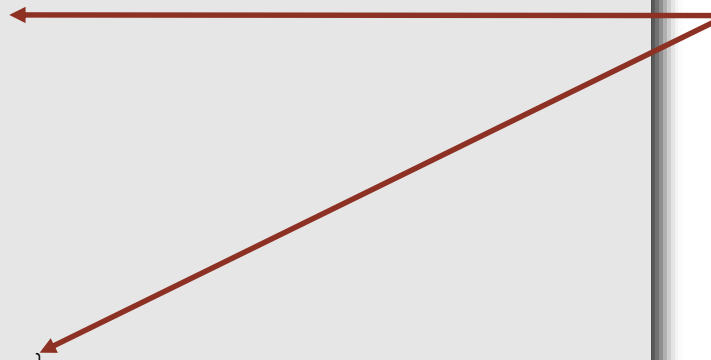
# Queue: linked list implementation in Java

```
public class LinkedQueueOfStrings {
    private Node first, last;
    private class Node { /* same as in LinkedStackOfStrings */ }
    public boolean isEmpty() { return first == null; }

    public void enqueue(String item) {
        Node oldlast = last;
        last = new Node();
        last.item = item;
        last.next = null;
        if (isEmpty()) {
            first = last;
        } else {
            oldlast.next = last;
        }
    }

    public String dequeue() {
        String item = first.item;
        first = first.next;
        if (isEmpty()) { last = null; }
        return item;
    }
}
```

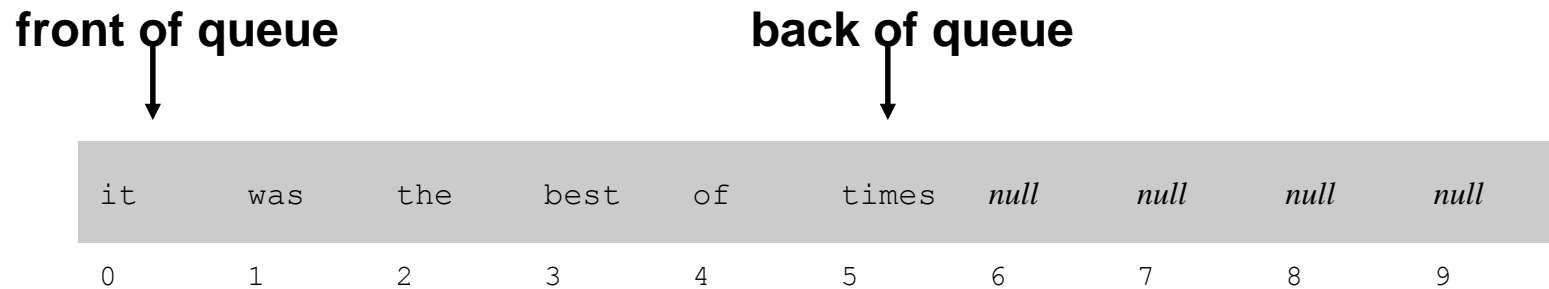
Special cases for empty queues



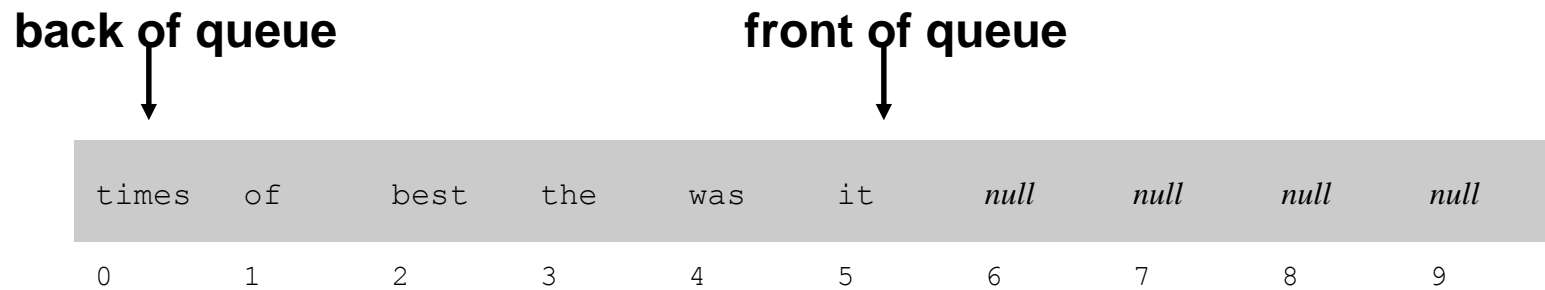
# How can we implement a queue with an array?

- A. Cannot be done efficiently.

• B.

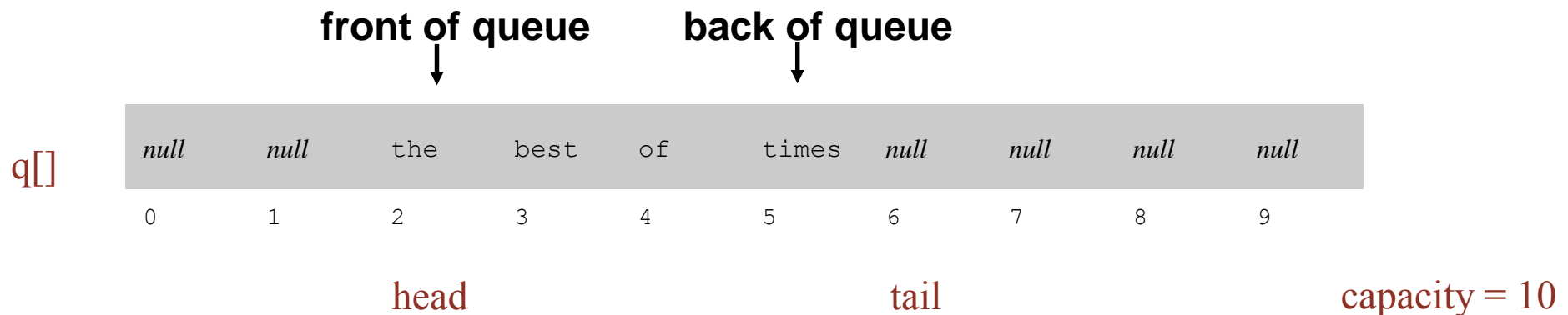


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# Queue: array implementation

- Use an array `q[]` to store the elements.
  - `enqueue()`: Insert new element at `q[tail]`.
  - `dequeue()`: Remove element at `q[head]`.
- Update `head` and `tail`.
- Note that the live entries will move to the right (
  - either use wraparound or amortized move to front))
- Can add a "resizing array".



- Java code left as exercise.

generics



# Parameterized stack

- We have implemented: `StackOfStrings`.
- We also want: `StackOfURLs`, `StackOfInts`, `StackOfVans`, ....
- **Attempt 1.** Implement a separate class for each data type.
  - BUT this leads to code explosion
    - Lost of extra work – bugs easily introduced
    - Extra maintainence




# Parameterized stack (2)

- We have implemented: `StackOfStrings`.
- We also want: `StackOfURLs`, `StackOfInts`, `StackOfVans`, ....
- **Attempt 2.** Implement a stack with elements of type `Object`.
  - Client will need to cast from `Object` to the specific type.
  - To case tends to introduce errors: *runtime errors* when types do not match.

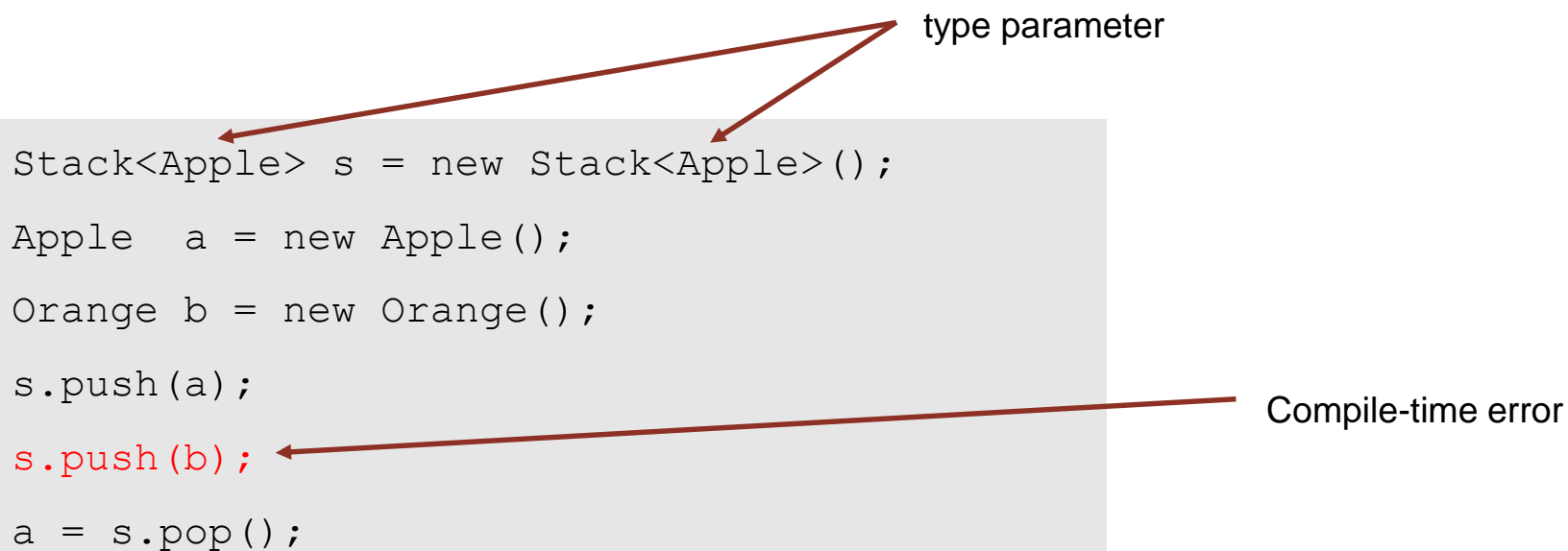
```
StackOfObjects s = new StackOfObjects();  
Apple a = new Apple();  
Orange b = new Orange();  
s.push(a);  
s.push(b);  
a = (Apple) (s.pop());
```

ClassCastException



# Parameterized stack (3)

- We have implemented: `StackOfStrings`.
- We also want: `StackOfURLs`, `StackOfInts`, `StackOfVans`, ....
- Attempt 3. Java generics.
  - Client does not need to catch.
  - Type mismatch detected at compile time instead of at runtime.



```
Stack<Apple> s = new Stack<Apple>();
Apple a = new Apple();
Orange b = new Orange();
s.push(a);
s.push(b);
a = s.pop();
```

- **Advantage.** Compilation errors better than runtime errors. Special case of handle errors as soon as possible

# Generic stack: linked list implementation

```
public class LinkedStackOfStrings {
    private Node first = null;
    private class Node {
        String item;
        Node next;
    }

    public boolean isEmpty()
    { return first == null; }

    public void push(String item) {
        Node oldfirst = first;
        first = new Node();
        first.item = item;
        first.next = oldfirst;
    }

    public String pop() {
        String item = first.item;
        first = first.next;
        return item;
    }
}
```

```
public class Stack<Item> {
    private Node first = null;

    private class Node {
        Item item;
        Node next;
    }

    public boolean isEmpty()
    { return first == null; }


    public void push(Item item) {
        Node oldfirst = first;
        first = new Node();
        first.item = item;
        first.next = oldfirst;
    }

    public Item pop() {
        Item item = first.item;
        first = first.next;
        return item;
    }
}
```

generic-type

# Generic stack: array implementation that doesn't work

@#\$\$! generic arrays are not allowed in Java



```
public class FixedCapacityStackOfStrings{
    private String[] s;
    private int N = 0;

    public StackOfStrings(int capacity)
    {   s = new String[capacity];   }

    public boolean isEmpty()
    {   return N == 0;   }

    public void push(String item)
    {   s[N++] = item;   }

    public String pop()
    {   return s[--N];   }
}
```

```
public class FixedCapacityStack<Item>{
    private Item[] s;
    private int N = 0;

    public FixedCapacityStack(
        int capacity)
    {   s = new Item[capacity];   }

    public boolean isEmpty()
    {   return N == 0;   }

    public void push(Item item)
    {   s[N++] = item;   }

    public Item pop()
    {   return s[--N];   }
}
```

# Generic stack: array implementation that does work

Ugh. Vi kaster här.

```
public class FixedCapacityStackOfStrings{
    private String[] s;
    private int N = 0;

    public StackOfStrings(int capacity)
    {   s = new String[capacity];   }

    public boolean isEmpty()
    {   return N == 0;   }

    public void push(String item)
    {   s[N++] = item;   }

    public String pop()
    {   return s[--N];   }
}
```

```
public class FixedCapacityStack<Item> {
    private Item[] s;
    private int N = 0;

    public FixedCapacityStack(
        int capacity) {
        s = (Item[]) new Object[capacity]; }

    public boolean isEmpty()
    {   return N == 0;   }

    public void push(Item item)
    {   s[N++] = item;   }

    public Item pop()
    {   return s[--N];   }
}
```

# Unchecked Cast

```
% javac FixedCapacityStack.java
```

Note: FixedCapacityStack.java uses unchecked or unsafe operations.

Note: Recompile with -Xlint:unchecked for details.

```
% javac -Xlint:unchecked FixedCapacityStack.java
```

```
FixedCapacityStack.java:26: warning: [unchecked] unchecked cast
```

```
found   : java.lang.Object[]
```

```
required: Item[]
```

```
    a = (Item[]) new Object[capacity];
```

```
        ^
```

```
1 warning
```



- Why do we need to cast in Java ?
- **Short answer:** backwards compatibility
- **Long answer.** Beyond scope of book (involving **type erasure** och **covariant arrayer**).

# Generic-datatypes: autoboxing

At first glance generics won't work with primitive data types (which are not objects)

- **Wrapper-type.**
  - Every primitive type has a **wrapper** object type.
  - E.g. `Integer` is a wrapper for `int`.
- **Autoboxing is an** automatic cast between primitive types and their wrappers.

```
Stack<Integer> s = new Stack<Integer>();  
s.push(17);           // s.push(Integer.valueOf(17));  
int a = s.pop();      // int a = s.pop().intValue();
```

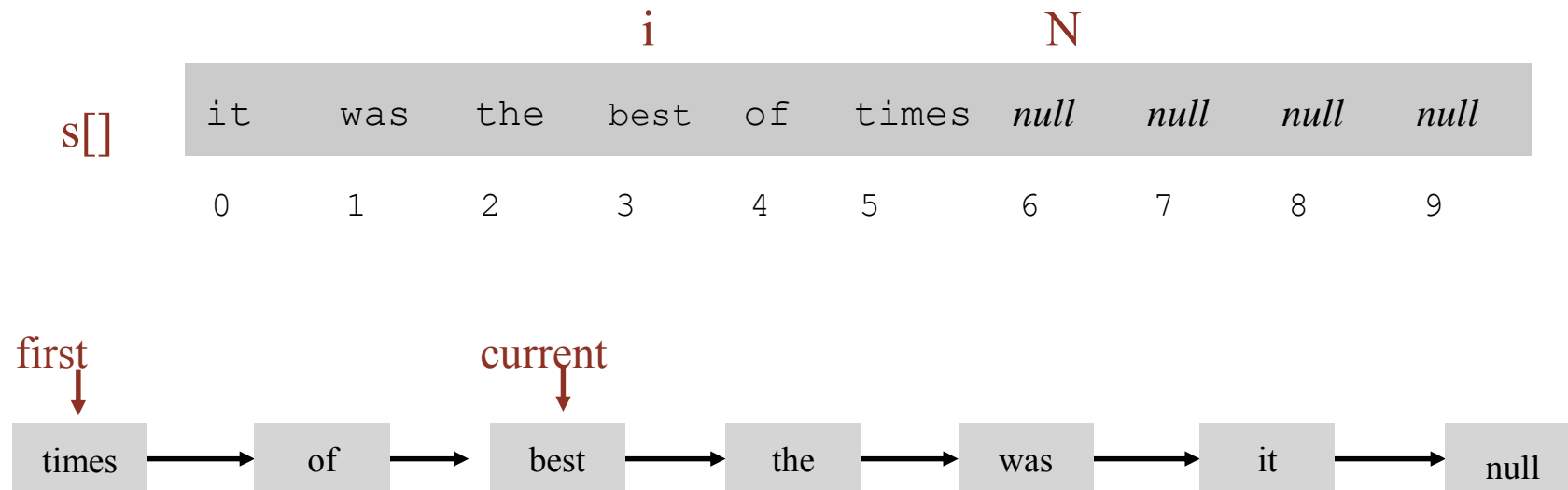
**Result** Client code can use generic data structures like stacks even for primitive types.



# Iterators

# Iteration

- **Design challenge:** How can we support iteration over the elements in a stack, (or queue or many other data structures) without revealing the implementation representation?



- **Java solution.** Design the class so that it implements iterators as given by the `java.lang.Iterable` interface.

# Iterators

- What is an `Iterable` ?
- An interface with a method that returns an `Iterator`.
- What is an `Iterator` ?
- An interface with the methods `hasNext()` and `next()`.
- Why use these?
- Makes for elegant client code.

java.lang.Iterable interface

```
public interface Iterable<Item> {  
    Iterator<Item> iterator();  
}
```

java.util.Iterator interface

```
public interface Iterator<Item> {  
    boolean hasNext();  
    Item next();  
    void remove(); ← optional; use  
                                at your own  
                                risk  
}
```

“foreach” statement (shorthand)

```
for (String s : stack) {  
    StdOut.println(s);  
}
```

equivalent code (longhand)

```
Iterator<String> i = stack.iterator();  
while (i.hasNext()) {  
    String s = i.next();  
    StdOut.println(s);  
}
```

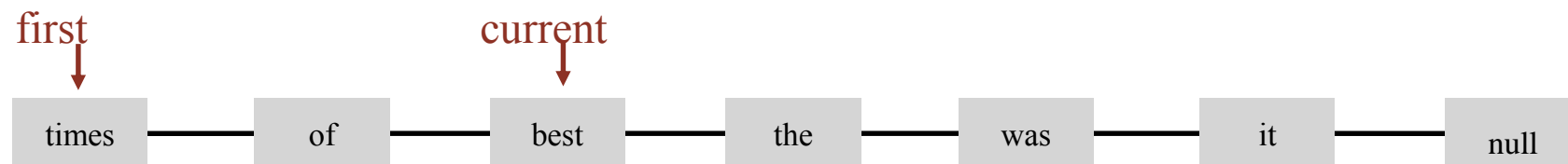
# Stack iterator: linked list implementation

```
import java.util.Iterator;
public class Stack<Item> implements Iterable<Item> {
    ...
    public Iterator<Item> iterator() { return new ListIterator(); }

    private class ListIterator implements Iterator<Item> {
        private Node current = first;
        public boolean hasNext() { return current != null; }
        public void remove() { /* not supported */ }
        public Item next() {
            Item item = current.item;
            current = current.next;
            return item;
        }
    }
}
```

throws UnsupportedOperationException

Throws NoSuchElementException

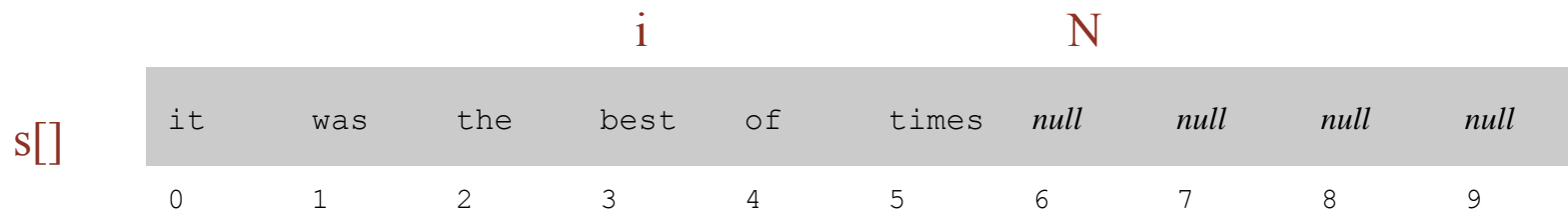


# Stack iterator: array implementation

```
import java.util.Iterator;
public class Stack<Item> implements Iterable<Item> {
    public Iterator<Item> iterator() {
        return new ReverseArrayIterator();
    }

    private class ReverseArrayIterator implements Iterator<Item> {
        private int i = N;

        public boolean hasNext() { return i > 0; }
        public void remove() { /* not supported */ }
        public Item next() { return s[--i]; }
    }
}
```



# Applications

# Java collection libraries

- **List interface.** `java.util.List` is an API for sequences of elements.

```
public interface List<Item> implements Iterable<Item>
```

---

```
    List()
```

*create an empty list*

```
    boolean isEmpty()
```

*is the list empty?*

```
    int size()
```

*number of items*

```
    void add(Item item)
```

*append item to the end*

```
    Item get(int index)
```

*return item at given index*

```
    Item remove(int index)
```

*return and delete item at given index*

```
    boolean contains(Item item)
```

*does the list contain the given item?*

```
    Iterator<Item> iterator()
```

*iterator over all items in the list*

...

**Implementations.** `java.util.ArrayList` uses a resizing array;  
`java.util.LinkedList` uses a linked list.

# Java collection libraries (2)

- `java.util.Stack`

- Supports `push()`, `pop()`, and iteration.
- It subclasses `java.util.Vector`, which in turn implements `java.util.List` interface, including the `get()` and `remove()` methods.
- The stack API is too broad and poorly designed.

Java 1.3 bug report (June 27, 2001)

The iterator method on `java.util.Stack` iterates through a Stack from the bottom up. One would think that it should iterate as if it were popping off the top of the Stack.

status (closed, will not fix)

It was an incorrect design decision to have Stack extend Vector ("is-a" rather than "has-a"). We sympathize with the submitter but cannot fix this because of compatibility.



# Java collection libraries (3)

- `java.util.Stack`.

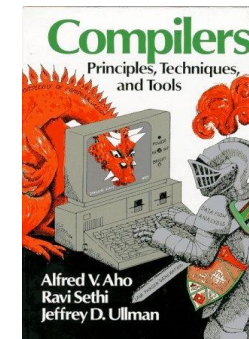
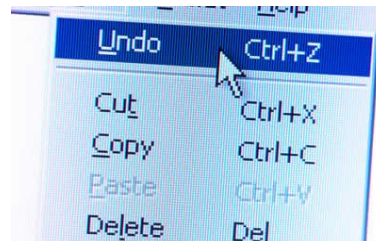


`java.util.Queue`. An interface, not a queue implementation

**Best practice in ID1020.** Reuse implementations of `Stack`, `Queue`, and `Bag` from the course.

# Stack applications

- Parsing in a compiler
- Java VM (Virtual Machine)
- Undo in MS-Word.
- Back button in a Web browser.
- Procedure/method/function calls in a runtime system
- ...



# Procedure calls

- How a runtime system implements a procedure call.
  - Call: **push** the local stackframe and the return address.
  - Return: **pop** returns the address and the relevant stackframe.

p = 216, q = 192

```
gcd (216, 192)

static int gcd(int p, int q) {
    if (q == 0) return p;
    else return gcd(q, p % q);
}
```

p = 192, q = 24

```
gcd (192, 24)

static int gcd(int p, int q) {
    if (q == 0) return p;
    else return gcd(q, p % q);
}
```

p = 24, q = 0

```
gcd (24, 0)

static int gcd(int p, int q) {
    if (q == 0) return p;
    else return gcd(q, p % q);
}
```

# Evaluation of an arithmetic expression

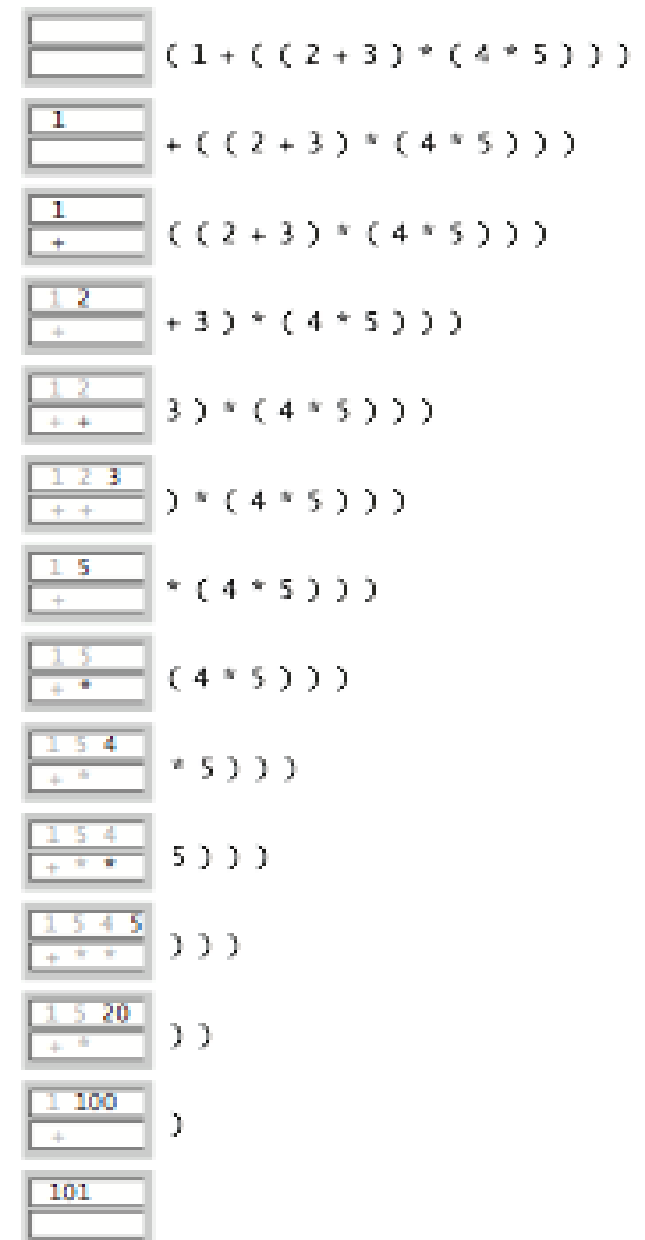
- **Mål.** Evaluate infix .

$(1 + ((2 + 3) * (4 * 5)))$

operand      operatorn

**operand stack**  
**operator stack**

- **Två-stack algorithm.** [E. W. Dijkstra]
  - Value: push on the operand-stack.
  - Operator: push on the operator stack.
  - Left parenthesis: ignore
  - Right parenthesis: pop operator och två operands Evaluate. Push the result on the operand stack.
- **Context.** An interpreter!



# Stack-based programming languages

- **Observation 1.** Dijkstra's två-stack algorithm will get the same results if the operator comes after the operands.

$(1((23+)(45*)*)+)$

- **Observation 2.** This makes all parentheses unnecessary!

$1\ 2\ 3\ +\ 4\ 5\ *\ * +$



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- **Conclusion.** Can use postfix or "reverse Polish" notation.