

Stacks I (Chapter 5)

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Focus Shift...

- **Data Type:** a mechanism for classifying the type of data that a variable (or parameter) may hold.
 - E.g. int, double, boolean, ...
- **Data Structure:** A composite data type that consists of fields and which represents data in a program (in OOP, this is part of a class).
 - E.g. Student, Module, Course, ...
- **Abstract Data Type:** a generalized approach to representing and manipulating certain types of data.
 - ADT = Data Structure + Algorithms

Abstract Data Types

- ADTs are concepts not implementations.
 - Normally described as a functional specification.
 - Underpinned by multiple **implementation strategies**.
- They identify:
 - the **characteristics of the data** that may be stored within the data structure, and
 - the **associated operations** that may be applied to that data structure (e.g. addition / removal of items)
- Key Issues:
 - Understanding what potential implementation strategies exist.
 - Knowing which strategy to use for a given problem.



Abstract Data Types (ADTs)

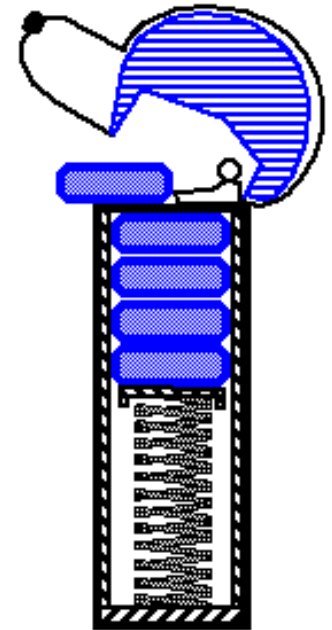
- An abstract data type (ADT) is an abstraction of a data structure
- An ADT specifies:
 - Data stored
 - Operations on the data
 - Error conditions associated with operations
- Example: ADT modeling a simple stock trading system
 - The data stored are buy/sell orders
 - The operations supported are
 - ♦ order **buy**(stock, shares, price)
 - ♦ order **sell**(stock, shares, price)
 - ♦ void **cancel**(order)
 - Error conditions:
 - ♦ Buy/sell a nonexistent stock
 - ♦ Cancel a nonexistent order

Approach (Version 1)

- Conceptual Overview
 - What the ADT is trying to achieve
- Functional Specification
 - What operations exist w.r.t. the ADT
- Implementation Strategies
 - Alternative approaches
 - Benefits / Limitations

Stacks: Concept

- A stack is a container of objects / values.
- Insertion and removal based on the last-in-first-out (LIFO) principle.
 - Objects can be inserted at any time, but only the last (the most-recently inserted) object can be removed.
- Terminology:
 - Items are “Pushed” onto the stack (insertion).
 - Items can be “Popped” off the stack (removal).
 - The “Top” of the stack is the last item pushed
- A PEZ® dispenser as an analogy...



Stacks: Functional Specification

- Stacks should work with objects.
- Core Operations:
 - push(o): Inserts object o onto top of stack
 - pop(): Removes the top object of stack and returns it
- Support Operations:
 - size(): Returns the number of objects in stack
 - isEmpty(): Return a boolean indicating if stack is empty.
 - top(): Return the top object of the stack, without removing it

Stack Interface in Java

- ❑ Java interface corresponding to our Stack ADT
- ❑ Requires the definition of class `EmptyStackException`
- ❑ Different from the built-in Java class `java.util.Stack`

```
public interface Stack<E> {  
    public int size();  
    public boolean isEmpty();  
    public E top()  
        throws EmptyStackException;  
    public void push(E element);  
    public E pop()  
        throws EmptyStackException;  
}
```


A Stack Interface in Java

```
/** * Interface for a stack: a
    collection of objects that
    *are inserted and removed according
    to the last-in first-
    *out principle. This interface
    includes the main methods
    *of java.util.Stack.
    * @author Roberto Tamassia
    @author Michael Goodrich
    @see EmptyStackException */
public interface Stack<E> {
    /** * Return the number of elements
        in the stack.
        @return number of elements in the
        stack. */
    public int size();
    /** * Return whether the stack is
        empty.
        * @return true if the stack is
        empty, false otherwise. */
    public boolean isEmpty();
```

```
/** * Inspect the element at the top of the
    stack.
        * @return top element in the stack.
        * @exception EmptyStackException if
        the stack is empty. */
    public E top() throws
EmptyStackException;
    /** * Insert an element at the top
    of the stack.
        * @param element to be inserted. */
    public void push (E element);
    /** * Remove the top element from
    the stack.
        * @return element removed.
        * @exception EmptyStackException if
        the stack is empty. */
    public E pop() throws
EmptyStackException ; }

    /** * Runtime exception thrown when one tries
    to perform operation top or
        * pop on an empty stack. */
public class EmptyStackException extends
RuntimeException {
    public EmptyStackException(String err) {
super(err); } }
```



Exceptions

- Attempting the execution of an operation of ADT may sometimes cause an error condition, called an exception
- Exceptions are said to be “thrown” by an operation that cannot be executed
- In the Stack ADT, operations pop and top cannot be performed if the stack is empty
- Attempting the execution of pop or top on an empty stack throws an `EmptyStackException`

Applications of Stacks

- Direct applications
 - Page-visited history in a Web browser
 - Undo sequence in a text editor
 - Chain of method calls in the Java Virtual Machine
- Indirect applications
 - Auxiliary data structure for algorithms
 - Component of other data structures

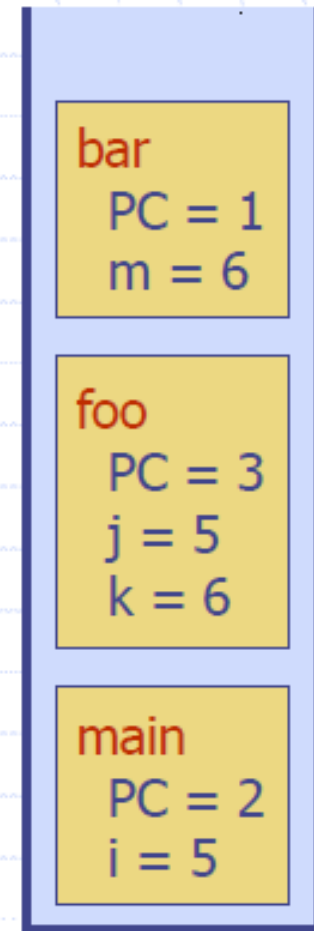
Method Stack in the JVM

- The Java Virtual Machine (JVM) keeps track of the chain of active methods with a stack
- When a method is called, the JVM pushes on the stack a frame containing
 - Local variables and return value
 - Program counter, keeping track of the statement being executed
- When a method ends, its frame is popped from the stack and control is passed to the method on top of the stack
- Allows for **recursion**

```
main() {  
    int i = 5;  
    foo(i);  
}
```

```
foo(int j) {  
    int k;  
    k = j+1;  
    bar(k);  
}
```

```
bar(int m) {  
    ...  
}
```



Stacks: Impl. Strategies

- **Array-based Implementation:**
 - Array holds the objects pushed onto the stack
 - Insertion begins at index 0.
 - Auxiliary value needed to keep track of the “top” of the stack.
 - Finite Capacity
- **Link-based Implementation:**
 - Objects stored in special “nodes”
 - Nodes maintain ordering information
 - Link to the next object in the stack.
 - Infinite Capacity

Array-Based Stack

- Create a stack using an array by specifying a maximum size N for our stack, e.g., $N = 1000$.
- The stack consists of:
 - an N -element array S and
 - an integer variable t , the index of the top element in array S .
- Illustration:



Array-based Stack

- A simple way of implementing the Stack ADT uses an array
- We add elements from left to right
- A variable keeps track of the index of the top element

Algorithm *size()*

return $t + 1$

Algorithm *pop()*

if *isEmpty()* **then**

throw *EmptyStackException*

else

$t \leftarrow t - 1$

return $S[t + 1]$



Array-based Stack (cont.)

- The array storing the stack elements may become full
- A push operation will then throw a **FullStackException**
 - Limitation of the array-based implementation
 - Not intrinsic to the Stack ADT

```
Algorithm push(o)  
  if  $t = S.length - 1$  then  
    throw FullStackException  
  else  
     $t \leftarrow t + 1$   
     $S[t] \leftarrow o$ 
```



Array-Based Stack

Algorithm push(o):

Input: an object o

Output: none

$t \leftarrow t + 1$

$S[t] \leftarrow o$

Algorithm size():

Input: none

Output: count of objects on the stack

return $t + 1$

Algorithm isEmpty():

Input: none

Output: true if the stack is empty, false otherwise

return $t < 0$

Algorithm pop():

Input: none

Output: the top object

$e \leftarrow S[t]$

$S[t] \leftarrow \text{null}$

$t \leftarrow t - 1$

return e

Algorithm top():

Input: none

Output: the top object

return $S[t]$

Array-Based Stacks: Dry Runs

- View operations as atomic
 - Show the state of the array, S, and top element index, t, after each operation
- Example:

operation	t	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Initial State	-1										
Push(H)	0	H									
Push(A)	1	H	A								
Push(A)	2	H	A	A							
Pop()	1	H	A								
Push(P)	2	H	A	P							
Push(P)	3	H	A	P	P						
Push(Y)	4	H	A	P	P	Y					

Performance and Limitations

□ Performance

- Let n be the number of elements in the stack
- The space used is $O(n)$
- Each operation runs in time $O(1)$

□ Limitations

- The maximum size of the stack must be defined a priori and cannot be changed
- Trying to push a new element into a full stack causes an implementation-specific exception

Array-Based Stacks: Impl.

- **Class name:** `ArrayStack`
 - **Fields:**
 - An array of objects, `S`
 - An integer, `N` (array size)
 - An integer, `t` (top index)
 - **Constructors**
 - Default Constructor (sets `N` to 1000)
 - Constructor with 1 integer parameter (used to set value of `N`)
 - **Methods:**
 - 1 per operation: methods names should match operation names – except for naming conventions (lower case first letter)
 - Implement methods based on pseudo code
- This is part of your next worksheet



Array-Based Stacks: Analysis

- Operation Running Times:

Operation	Running Time
Push(o)	$O(1)$
Pop()	$O(1)$
Top()	$O(1)$
IsEmpty()	$O(1)$
Size()	$O(1)$

- Issues:

- What happens if we pop from an empty stack?
- What happens if we push onto a full stack?

Array-based Stack in Java

```
public class ArrayStack<E>
    implements Stack<E> {

    // holds the stack elements
    private E S[ ];

    // index to top element
    private int top = -1;

    // constructor
    public ArrayStack(int capacity) {
        S = (E[]) new Object[capacity];
    }
}
```

```
public E pop()
    throws EmptyStackException {
    if isEmpty()
        throw new EmptyStackException
            ("Empty stack: cannot pop");
    E temp = S[top];
    // facilitate garbage collection:
    S[top] = null;
    top = top - 1;
    return temp;
}
```

... (other methods of Stack interface)

Example use in Java

```
public class Tester {  
    // ... other methods  
    public intReverse(Integer a[]) {  
        Stack<Integer> s;  
        s = new ArrayStack<Integer>();  
        ... (code to reverse array a) ...  
    }  
}
```

```
public floatReverse(Float f[]) {  
    Stack<Float> s;  
    s = new ArrayStack<Float>();  
    ... (code to reverse array f) ...  
}
```


Parentheses Matching

- Each "(", "{", or "[" must be paired with a matching ")", "}", or "]"
 - correct: ()(()){([())}
 - correct: ((())(()){([())}
 - incorrect:)(()){([())}
 - incorrect: ({ []})}
 - incorrect: (

Parentheses Matching Algorithm

Algorithm ParenMatch(X, n):

Input: An array X of n tokens, each of which is either a grouping symbol, a variable, an arithmetic operator, or a number

Output: true if and only if all the grouping symbols in X match

Let S be an empty stack

for $i=0$ to $n-1$ do

 if $X[i]$ is an opening grouping symbol then

$S.push(X[i])$

 else if $X[i]$ is a closing grouping symbol then

 if $S.isEmpty()$ then

 return false {nothing to match with}

 if $S.pop()$ does not match the type of $X[i]$ then

 return false {wrong type}

if $S.isEmpty()$ then

 return true {every symbol matched}

else return false {some symbols were never matched}

HTML Tag Matching

- ◆ For fully-correct HTML, each `<name>` should pair with a matching `</name>`

```
<body>
<center>
<h1> The Little Boat </h1>
</center>
<p> The storm tossed the little
boat like a cheap sneaker in an
old washing machine. The three
drunken fishermen were used to
such treatment, of course, but
not the tree salesman, who even as
a stowaway now felt that he
had overpaid for the voyage. </p>
<ol>
<li> Will the salesman die? </li>
<li> What color is the boat? </li>
<li> And what about Naomi? </li>
</ol>
</body>
```

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1. Will the salesman die?
2. What color is the boat?
3. And what about Naomi?

Tag Matching Algorithm (in Java)

```
import java.io.*;
import java.util.Scanner;
import net.datastructures.*;
/** Simplified test of matching tags in an HTML document. */
public class HTML {
    /** Strip the first and last characters off a <tag> string. */
    public static String stripEnds(String t) {
        if (t.length() <= 2) return null;          // this is a degenerate tag
        return t.substring(1,t.length()-1);
    }
    /** Test if a stripped tag string is empty or a true opening tag. */
    public static boolean isOpeningTag(String tag) {
        return (tag.length() == 0) || (tag.charAt(0) != '/');
    }
}
```

Tag Matching Algorithm (cont.)

```
/** Test if stripped tag1 matches closing tag2 (first character is '/'). */
public static boolean areMatchingTags(String tag1, String tag2) {
    return tag1.equals(tag2.substring(1)); // test against name after '/'
}

/** Test if every opening tag has a matching closing tag. */
public static boolean isHTMLMatched(String[] tag) {
    Stack<String> S = new NodeStack<String>(); // Stack for matching tags
    for (int i = 0; (i < tag.length) && (tag[i] != null); i++) {
        if (isOpeningTag(tag[i]))
            S.push(tag[i]); // opening tag; push it on the stack
        else {
            if (S.isEmpty())
                return false; // nothing to match
            if (!areMatchingTags(S.pop(), tag[i]))
                return false; // wrong match
        }
    }
    if (S.isEmpty()) return true; // we matched everything
    return false; // we have some tags that never were matched
}
```


Tag Matching Algorithm (cont.)

```
public final static int CAPACITY = 1000; // Tag array size
/* Parse an HTML document into an array of html tags */
public static String[] parseHTML(Scanner s) {
    String[] tag = new String[CAPACITY]; // our tag array (initially all null)
    int count = 0;                       // tag counter
    String token;                         // token returned by the scanner s
    while (s.hasNextLine()) {
        while ((token = s.findInLine("<[^>]*>")) != null) // find the next tag
            tag[count++] = stripEnds(token); // strip the ends off this tag
        s.nextLine(); // go to the next line
    }
    return tag; // our array of (stripped) tags
}

public static void main(String[] args) throws IOException { // tester
    if (isHTMLMatched(parseHTML(new Scanner(System.in))))
        System.out.println("The input file is a matched HTML document.");
    else
        System.out.println("The input file is not a matched HTML document.");
}
}
```

Evaluating Arithmetic Expressions

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$$14 - 3 * 2 + 7 = (14 - (3 * 2)) + 7$$

Operator precedence

* has precedence over +/−

Associativity

operators of the same precedence group
evaluated from left to right

Example: $(x - y) + z$ rather than $x - (y + z)$

Idea: push each operator on the stack, but first pop and perform higher and *equal* precedence operations.

Algorithm for Evaluating Expressions

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Two stacks:

- opStk holds operators
- valStk holds values
- Use \$ as special "end of input" token with lowest precedence

Algorithm **doOp()**

```
x ← valStk.pop();  
y ← valStk.pop();  
op ← opStk.pop();  
valStk.push( y op x )
```

Algorithm **repeatOps(refOp)**:

```
while ( valStk.size() > 1 ∧  
        prec(refOp) ≤  
        prec(opStk.top())
```

```
doOp()
```

Algorithm **EvalExp()**

Input: a stream of tokens representing
an arithmetic expression (with
numbers)

Output: the value of the expression

while there's another token z

if isNumber(z) **then**

valStk.push(z)

else

repeatOps(z);

opStk.push(z)

repeatOps(\$);

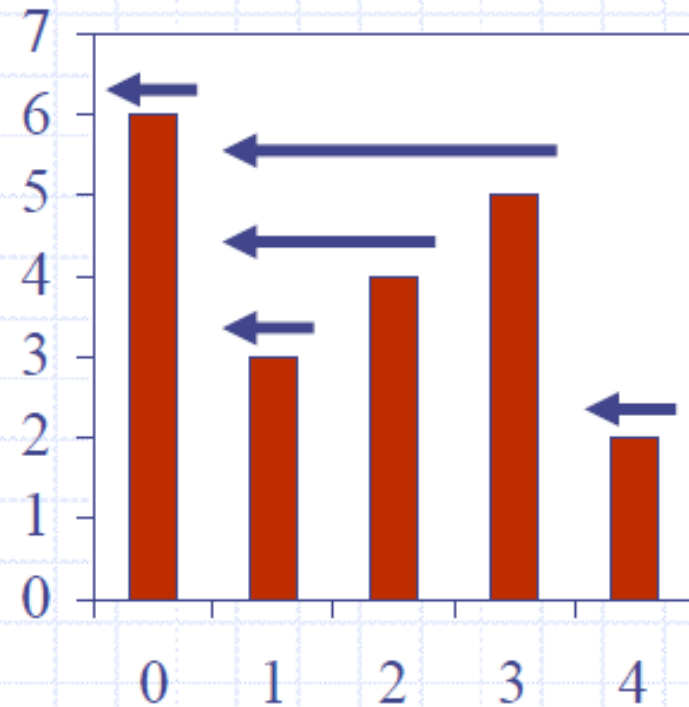
return valStk.top()

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$$14 \leq 4 - 3 * 2 + 7$$


Computing Spans (not in book)

- Using a stack as an auxiliary data structure in an algorithm
- Given an array X , the **span** $S[i]$ of $X[i]$ is the maximum number of consecutive elements $X[j]$ immediately preceding $X[i]$ and such that $X[j] \leq X[i]$
- Spans have applications to financial analysis
 - E.g., stock at 52-week high



X	6	3	4	5	2
S	1	1	2	3	1

Quadratic Algorithm

Algorithm *spans1*(X, n)

Input array X of n integers

Output array S of spans of X

$S \leftarrow$ new array of n integers

for $i \leftarrow 0$ **to** $n - 1$ **do**

$s \leftarrow 1$

while $s \leq i \wedge X[i - s] \leq X[i]$

$s \leftarrow s + 1$

$S[i] \leftarrow s$

return S

#

n

n

n

$1 + 2 + \dots + (n - 1)$

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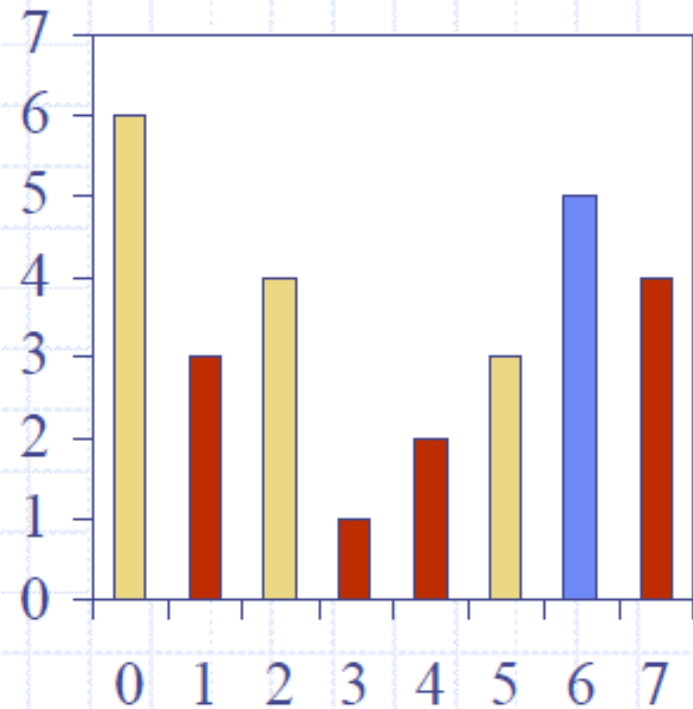
n

1

◆ Algorithm *spans1* runs in $O(n^2)$ time

Computing Spans with a Stack

- We keep in a stack the indices of the elements visible when “looking back”
- We scan the array from left to right
 - Let i be the current index
 - We pop indices from the stack until we find index j such that $X[i] < X[j]$
 - We set $S[i] \leftarrow i - j$
 - We push i onto the stack



Linear Algorithm

- ◆ Each index of the array
 - Is pushed into the stack exactly one
 - Is popped from the stack at most once
- ◆ The statements in the while-loop are executed at most n times
- ◆ Algorithm *spans2* runs in $O(n)$ time

Algorithm <i>spans2</i> (X, n)	#
$S \leftarrow$ new array of n integers	n
$A \leftarrow$ new empty stack	1
for $i \leftarrow 0$ to $n - 1$ do	n
while $(\neg A.isEmpty() \wedge$ $X[A.top()] \leq X[i])$ do	n
$A.pop()$	n
if $A.isEmpty()$ then	n
$S[i] \leftarrow i + 1$	n
else	
$S[i] \leftarrow i - A.top()$	n
$A.push(i)$	n
return S	1

Insert: Working with Objects

- Note: Stacks works with Objects, and not primitive data types...
 - This means that we cannot use int, long, char, double, ...
- Java has object equivalents for all primitive data types:
 - Integer == int, Double == double, Long == long, Character == char
- Conversing to objects:
 - E.g. `Integer year = new Integer(2008);`
- Extracting values from objects:
 - E.g. `int intYear = year.intValue();`

Insert: Working with Objects

- When you declare a parameter of type object, this means that you can pass **any object** as an argument.
 - For example, if we had a variable `stack` that holds a reference to an `ArrayStack` object, then we can do the following:
 - `stack.push("Hello World");`
 - `stack.push(new Integer(55));`
 - `stack.push(new URL("http://www.google.com"));`
- Finally, when you declare a return value of type object, this means that the method can return any type of object.
 - So, when we get the return value, we must convert it to be a reference to the appropriate kind of object (this is known as **casting**):
 - `URL url = (URL) stack.pop();`
 - `Integer integer = stack.pop ();`
 - `String string = stack.pop();`



Array based Implementation

```
/** * Implementation of the stack ADT using a fixed-length array. An
 *exception is thrown if a push operation is attempted when the size
 *of the stack is equal to the length of the array. This class
 *includes the main methods of the built-in class java.util.Stack. */
public class ArrayStack<E> implements Stack<E> {
    protected int capacity; // The actual capacity of the stack array
    public static final int CAPACITY = 1000; // default array capacity
    protected E S[]; // Generic array used to implement the stack
    protected int top = -1; // index for the top of the stack
    public ArrayStack() { this(CAPACITY); // default capacity }
    public ArrayStack(int cap) {
        capacity = cap; S = (E[]) new Object[capacity];
        // compiler may give warning, but this is ok }
    public int size() { return (top + 1); }
    public boolean isEmpty() { return (top < 0); }
    public void push(E element) throws FullStackException {
        if (size() == capacity) throw new
            FullStackException("Stack is full."); S[++top] = element; }
    public E top() throws EmptyStackException {
        if (isEmpty()) throw new EmptyStackException
            ("Stack is empty."); return S[top]; }
    public E pop() throws EmptyStackException {
        E element; if (isEmpty()) throw new
            EmptyStackException("Stack is empty.");
        element = S[top]; S[top--] = null;
        // dereference S[top] for garbage collection. return element;
    }
}
```

```
public String toString() {
    String s; s = "["; if (size() > 0) s+= S[0];
    if (size() > 1) for (int i = 1; i <= size()-1; i++) { s += ", " + S[i]; }
    return s + "]"; }

// Prints status information about a recent operation and the stack.
public void status(String op, Object element) {
    System.out.print("-----> " + op); // print this operation
    System.out.println(", returns " + element);
    // what was returned
    System.out.print("result: size = " + size() + ",
        isEmpty = " + isEmpty());
    System.out.println(", stack: " + this);
    // contents of the stack }

/** * Test our program by performing a series of operations on stacks,
 * printing the operations performed, the returned elements and the
 * contents of the stack involved, after each operation. */
public static void main(String[] args) {
    Object o; ArrayStack<Integer> A = new ArrayStack<Integer>();
    A.status("new ArrayStack<Integer> A", null);
    A.push(7); A.status("A.push(7)", null); o = A.pop();
    A.status("A.pop()", o); A.push(9);
    A.status("A.push(9)", null); o = A.pop(); A.status("A.pop()", o);
    ArrayStack<String> B = new ArrayStack<String>();
    B.status("new ArrayStack<String> B", null); B.push("Bob");
    B.status("B.push(\"Bob\")", null); B.push("Alice");
    B.status("B.push(\"Alice\")", null); o = B.pop();
    B.status("B.pop()", o); B.push("Eve");
    B.status("B.push(\"Eve\")", null); } }
```

Example output? Run the code

