

Applications of Stacks and Queues

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Topics

- ❖ general
- ❖ applications
 - ❖ balancing parentheses (with stacks)
 - ❖ prefix to postfix conversion (with stacks)
 - ❖ palindrome testing (with stacks)
 - ❖ palindrome testing (with stacks and queues)

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Stacks and Queues: Characteristics

access restricted (unlike array),
i.e., via special operations:

- ❖ **push** and **pop** for STACK
- ❖ **enqueue** and **dequeue** for QUEUE
- ❖ other operations as well

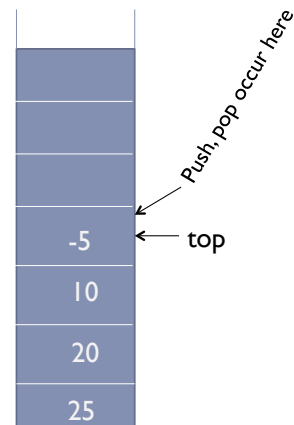
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Stacks

stack S of items of type T is a sequence
of items of type T

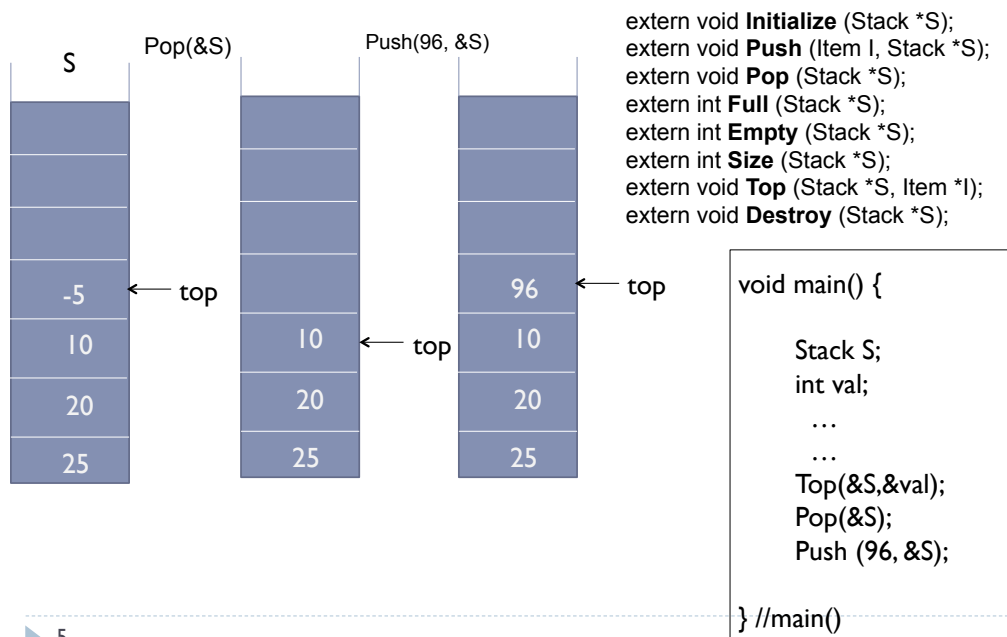
operations allowed:

- ❖ **initialize** S
- ❖ determine whether S **full**
- ❖ determine whether S **empty**
- ❖ **push** a new item onto the top of the stack
- ❖ **pop** a new item from the top
- ❖ other operations



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Stacks



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Applications of Stacks

A lot!

- ❖ checking balanced expressions
- ❖ recognizing palindromes
- ❖ evaluating algebraic expressions
- ❖ call stack (recursion)
- ❖ searching networks
- ❖ traversing trees (keeping a track where we are)
- ❖ parsing (in compilers)
- ❖ computational linguistics
- ❖ etc.

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notation for expressions

Infix

- ❖ the usual notation we use
- ❖ e.g.,

$A * (B + C) / D$

postfix

- ❖ operators written after operands
- ❖ order of evaluation left-to-right
- ❖ operators apply to immediately preceding ops
- ❖ e.g.,

$A B C + * D /$

prefix

- ❖ operators before ops
- ❖ e.g.,

$/ * A + B C D$

- ❖ postfix: no need for parenthesis to specify operator precedence
- ❖ so expressions represented in postfix in computation

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Infix to Postfix Conversion

For each token in the input expression do

If token = operand, append operand to P

If token = operator, push(token)

If token = ")", append pop() to P

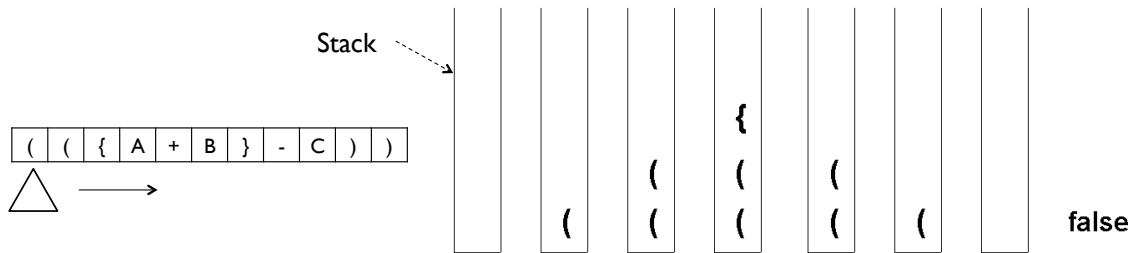
If token = "(", ignore

INFIX: $3 * (5 + 7) - 9$

POSTFIX: $3 5 7 + * 9 -$

Stack S, (sideways)	String P
empty	3
*	3
*	3 5
* +	3 5
* +	3 5 7
*	3 5 7 +
empty	3 5 7 + *
-	3 5 7 + *
-	3 5 7 + * 9
empty	3 5 7 + * 9 -

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Scan left to right.

Push each left parenthesis on the stack.

For each right parenthesis,

If the stack is empty, return false (too many right parentheses)

Otherwise, pop off the top parenthesis from the stack:

If the left and right parentheses are of the same type, discard.
Otherwise, return false. (not balanced)

If the stack is empty when the scan is complete, return true.
Otherwise, false. (too many left parentheses)

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```
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extern void Push (Item I, Stack *S);
extern void Pop (Stack *S);
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extern void Top (Stack *S, Item *I);
extern void Destroy (Stack *S);
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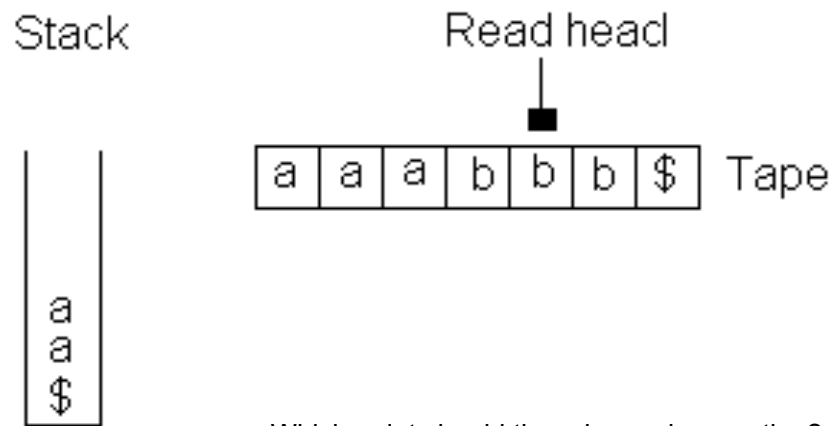
(({A + B} - C) / D))

```
main () {
    Stack S;
    char exp[] = "(({A+B}-C) / D)";

    char ch, *exptr = exp;
    ...
    while(*exptr != '\0') {
        if (*exptr == '(' || *exptr == '{')
            Push(*exptr++, &S);
        else
            if (*exptr == ')' || *exptr == '}' ) {
                Top(&S,&ch);
                Pop(&S);
                if (*exptr=='') && ch!='(')
                    printf("parenthesis mismatch\n");
                ...
            } //while
        ...
    } //main()
}
```

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Pushdown Automata



Which point should there be push operation?

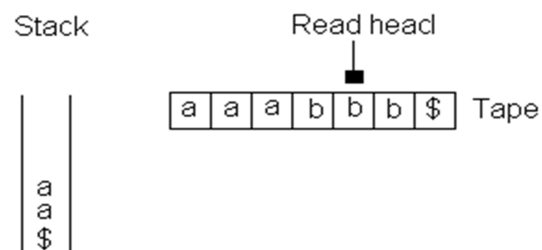
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Recognizing Balanced Strings and Palindromes

- ❖ Keep pushing “a” on stack until first “b” read from the tape

then

- ❖ consecutively read “b” from the tape and match with “a”s popped off the stack



When palindrome: matching “a”s for all “b”s
entire input tape read
stack finally empty

When not palindrome?

Caution: only “a”s pushed on the stack

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Implementing Palindrome Recognizer

- ❖ assume: built-in stack with interface.

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- ❖ function, palindRecog()
 - ❖ called from main()
 - ❖ accepts a string, returns
 - ❖ 1 if palindrome
 - ❖ 0 otherwise

```
deftype ch Item;

void main() {

    Item item[]="aaabbb$";
    palindRecog(item);

} //main ()

int palindRecog (Item *item) {

    Stack S;
    ...
    ...
    ...

} //palindRecog()
```

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Palindromes: Interesting Patterns



Forward = Reverse Complement (Forward)

```
AGCTTCTAGTCGACTAGAAGCT
|||||
TGGAAACATCGACATCTTGGAA
```

From Thomas Krahl's presentation.

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Queue Operations

- Q: a sequence of items of type T
- operations on Q
 - ❖ **enqueue** – insert an item at the back of the queue
 - ❖ **dequeue** – delete an item from the front
 - ❖ **peek** – returns the item at the front of the queue
 - ❖ **initialize** - the queue
 - ❖ determine whether the queue is **full**
 - ❖ determine whether the queue is **empty**
 - ❖

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Queue Operations: Example

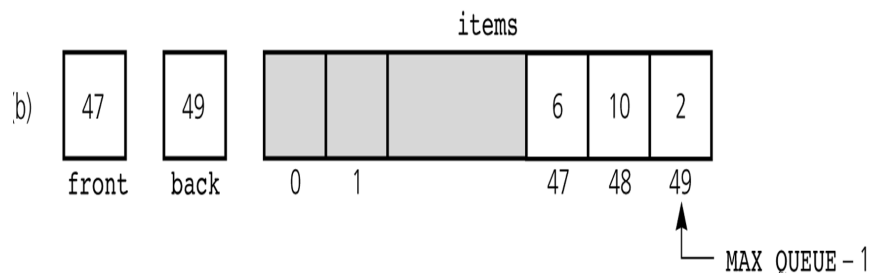
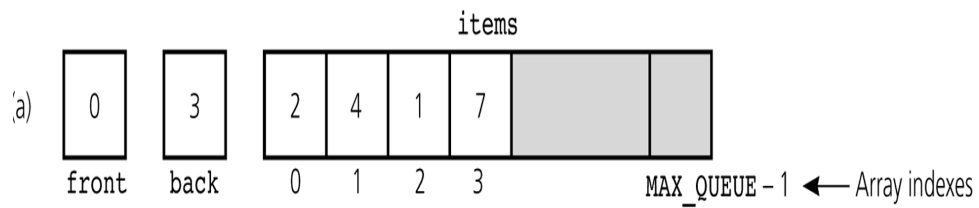
Operation		Output Q
enqueue(5)	—	(5)
enqueue(3)	—	(5, 3)
dequeue()	5	(3)
enqueue(7)	—	(3, 7)
dequeue()	3	(7)
front()	7	(7)
dequeue()	7	()
dequeue()	“error”	()
isEmpty()	true	()
enqueue(9)	—	(9)
enqueue(7)	—	(9, 7)
size()	2	(9, 7)
enqueue(3)	—	(9, 7, 3)
enqueue(5)	—	(9, 7, 3, 5)
dequeue()	9	(7, 3, 5)

Queue operations:

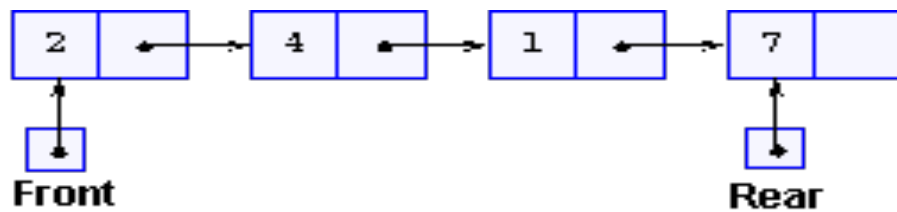
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extern void Enqueue (Item I, Queue *Q);
extern void Dequeue (Queue *Q);
extern int Full (Queue *Q);
extern int Empty (Queue *Q);
extern int Size (Queue *Q);
extern void Head (Queue *Q, Item *I);
extern void Tail (Queue *Q, Item *I);
extern void Destroy (Queue *Q);

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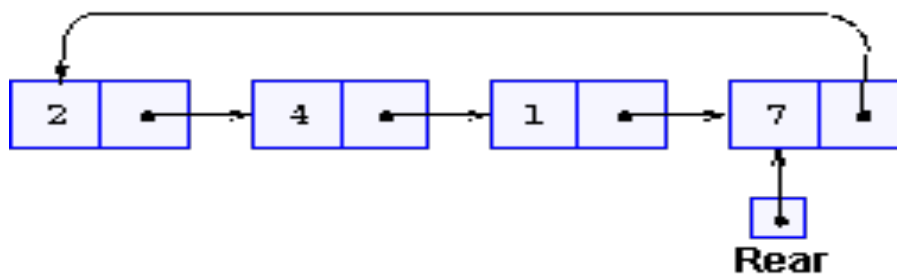
An Array-Based Implementation



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Applications of Queues

- ❖ inputs and outputs to screen
- ❖ messaging server: instant messages queue
- ❖ DBMS: database requests queue
- ❖ print queue: one printer for many computers
- ❖ Job scheduler (OS): job queue for CPU..
- ❖ simulations
- ❖ etc.

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Palindrome with Queue & Stack

NAME NO ONE MAN
4 1 3 2 4 5 5 4 2 3 1 4

	Stack S: top →	← front queue (Q) rear →	
push('N', S)	N		N enqueue('N', Q)
push('A', S)	NA		NA enqueue('A', Q)
	NAM		NAM
	NAME		NAME
	NAMEN		NAMEN
	NA MENO		NA MENO
	NA MENO O		NA MENO O
	NA MENO ON		NA MENO ON
	NA MENO ONE		NA MENO ONE
	NA MENO ONEM		NA MENO ONEM
	NA MENO ONEMA		NA MENO ONEMA
push('N', S)	NA MENO ONEMAN ← top	front → NA MENO ONEMAN	enqueue('N', Q)
			rear

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palindrome with queue & stack

N	N
NA	NA
NAM	NAM
NAME	NAME
NAMEN	NAMEN
NA MENO	NA MENO
NA MENO O	NA MENO O
NA MENO ON	NA MENO ON
NA MENO ONE	NA MENO ONE
NA MENO ONEM	NA MENO ONEM
NA MENO ONEMA	NA MENO ONEMA
NA MENO ONEMAN ← top	front → NA MENO ONEMAN ← rear

pop ↗
deque ↖

Keep on popping from
S and dequeuing from Q matching symbols along

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Stack operations:

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extern void Pop (Stack *S);
extern int Full (Stack *S);
extern int Empty (Stack *S);
extern int Size (Stack *S);
extern void Top (Stack *S, Item *I);
extern void Destroy (Stack *S);
```

```
void main(){
    ....
    Stack stack;
    Queue queue;
    Item item[]="NAME NO ONE MAN";
    i=palind_Recog(item, stack, queue);
    ....
} //main()
```

```
int palind_Recog(Item *it, Stack *S, Queue *Q){
    ....
    ....
    ....
    return flag;
} //palind_Recog()
```

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