

Stacks and Queues

CS 121: Data Structures

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Attendance Quiz

Attendance Quiz: Linked Lists

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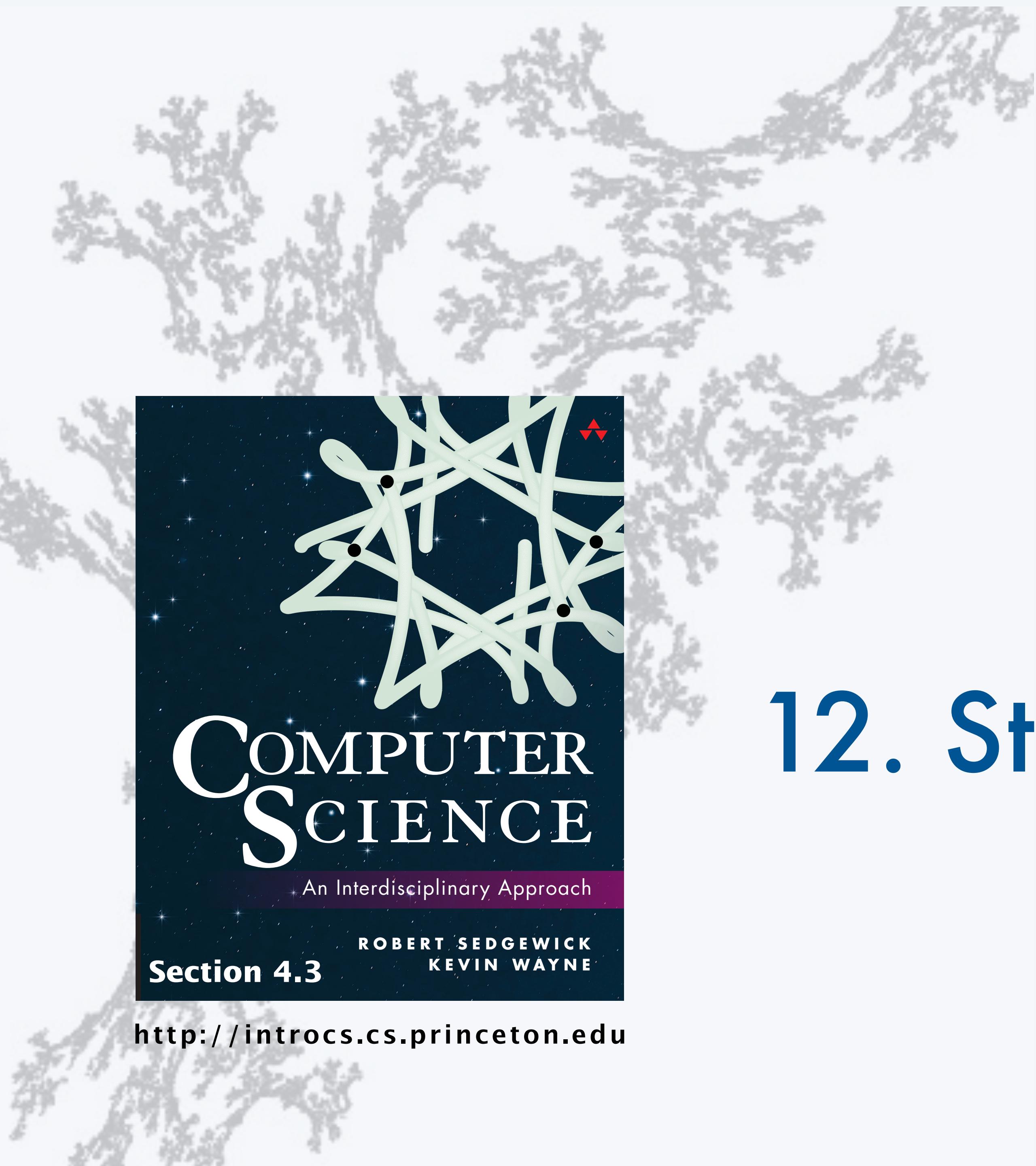


```
public class IntLinkedList {  
  
    private class Node {  
        int val;  
        Node next;  
  
        public Node(int v) {  
            val = v;  
            next = null;  
        }  
    }  
  
    private Node head; // the first node  
    private Node tail; // the last node  
    private int length; // number of nodes in the list  
  
    // constructor initializes an empty linked list  
    public IntLinkedList() {  
        head = null;  
        tail = null;  
        length = 0;  
    }  
  
    // TODO  
    // public void addFirst(int val) { }  
    // public void addLast(int val) { }  
}
```

Attendance Quiz: Linked Lists

- Write your name
- Write code for addFirst() and addLast()

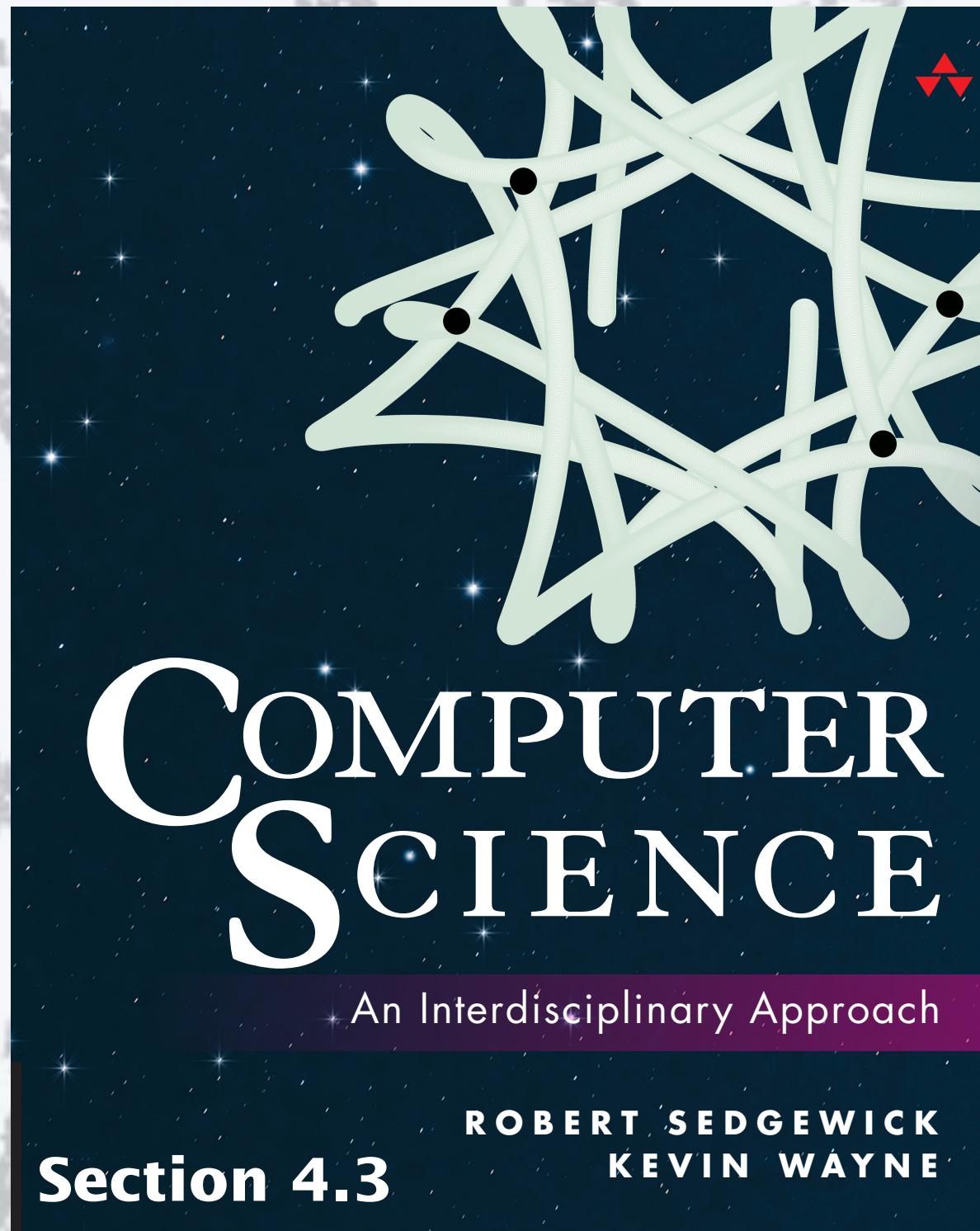
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Choosing appropriate data structures

When implementing a Java class: Which data structures structures to use?

- Resource 1: How much memory is needed?
- Resource 2: How much time do data-type methods use?

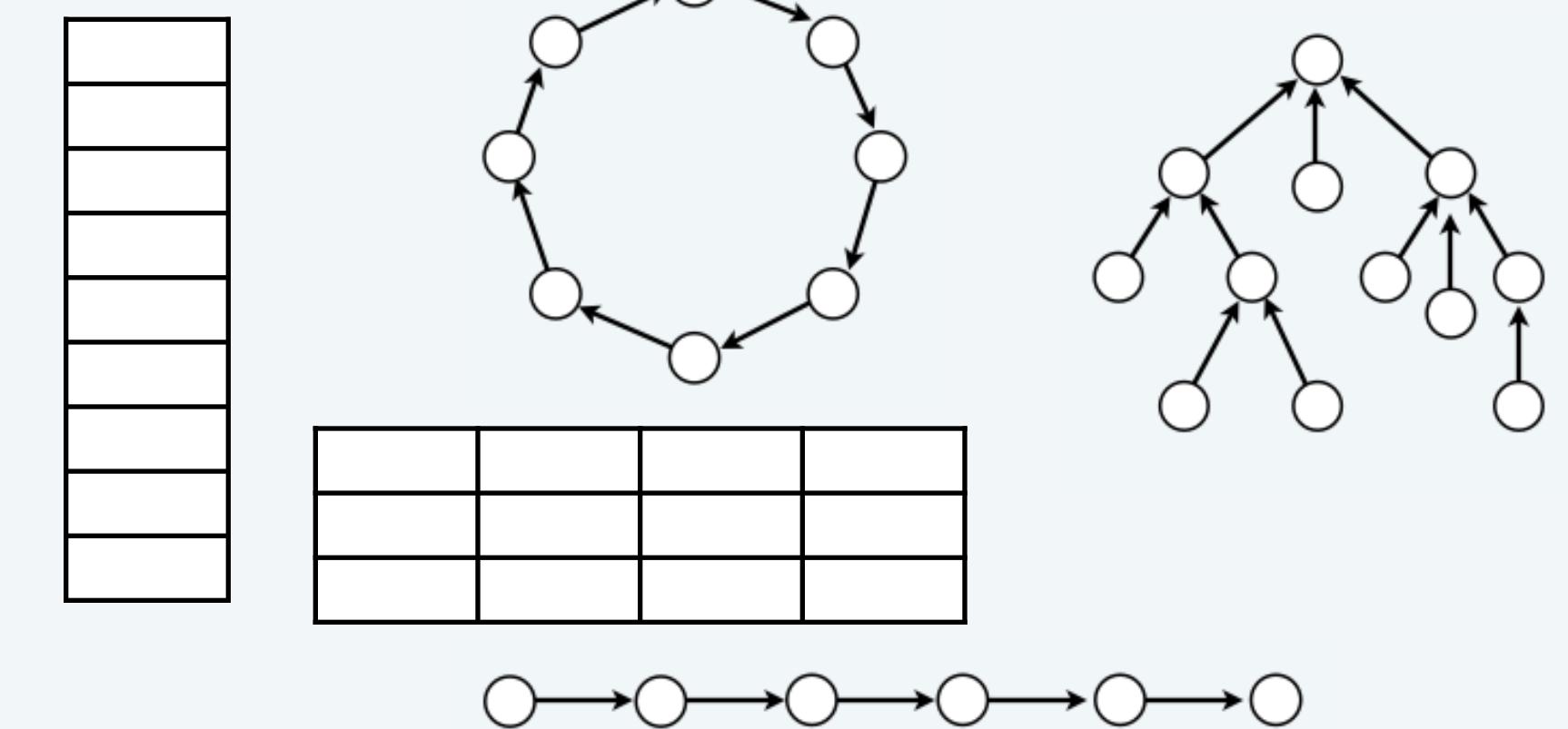
Data structures

- Represent data.
- Represent relationships among data.
- Some are built in to Java: 1D arrays, 2D arrays, . . .
- Most are not: linked list, circular list, tree, . . .

Data structure comparison: arrays vs linked lists

- Arrays allow constant-time access of any element, but growth requires linear time
- Linked lists allow constant-time access of the first and last elements, and constant-time growth

public class Complex	
	Complex(double real, double imag)
public class Charge	
double Charge(double x0, double y0, double q0)	sum of this number and b
public class String	
String toString()	product of this number and b
double abs()	magnitude
void turnLeft(double delta)	string representation
void goForward(double step)	rotate delta degrees counterclockwise
Turtle(double x0, double y0, double q0)	move distance step, drawing a line
String toString()	string representation of this color
boolean equals(Color c)	is this color the same as c's?



Stack and Queue APIs

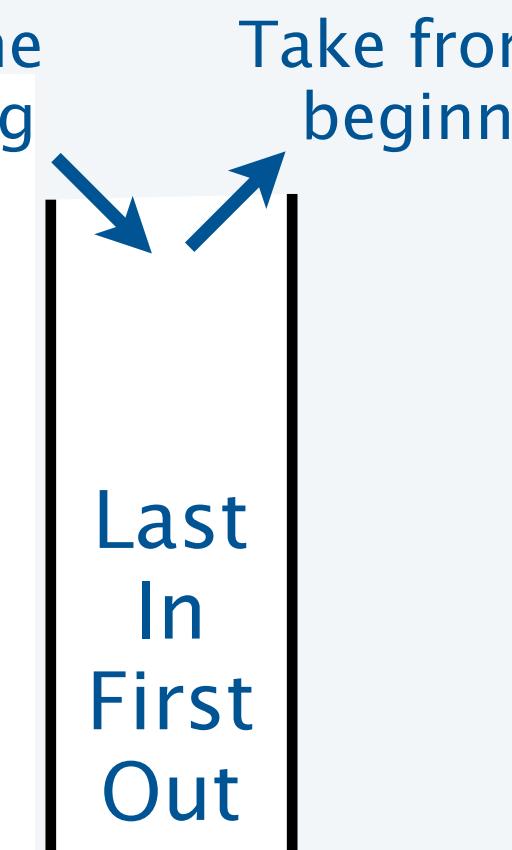
A **collection** is an ADT whose values are a multiset of items, all of the same type.

Two fundamental collection **ADTs** differ in just a detail of the specification of their operations.

Stack operations

- Add an item to the collection.
- Remove and return the item *most* recently added (LIFO).
- Test if the collection is empty.
- Return the size of the collection.

Add to the beginning
Take from the beginning



Queue operations

- Add an item to the collection.
- Remove and return the item *least* recently added (FIFO).
- Test if the collection is empty.
- Return the size of the collection.

Take from the beginning



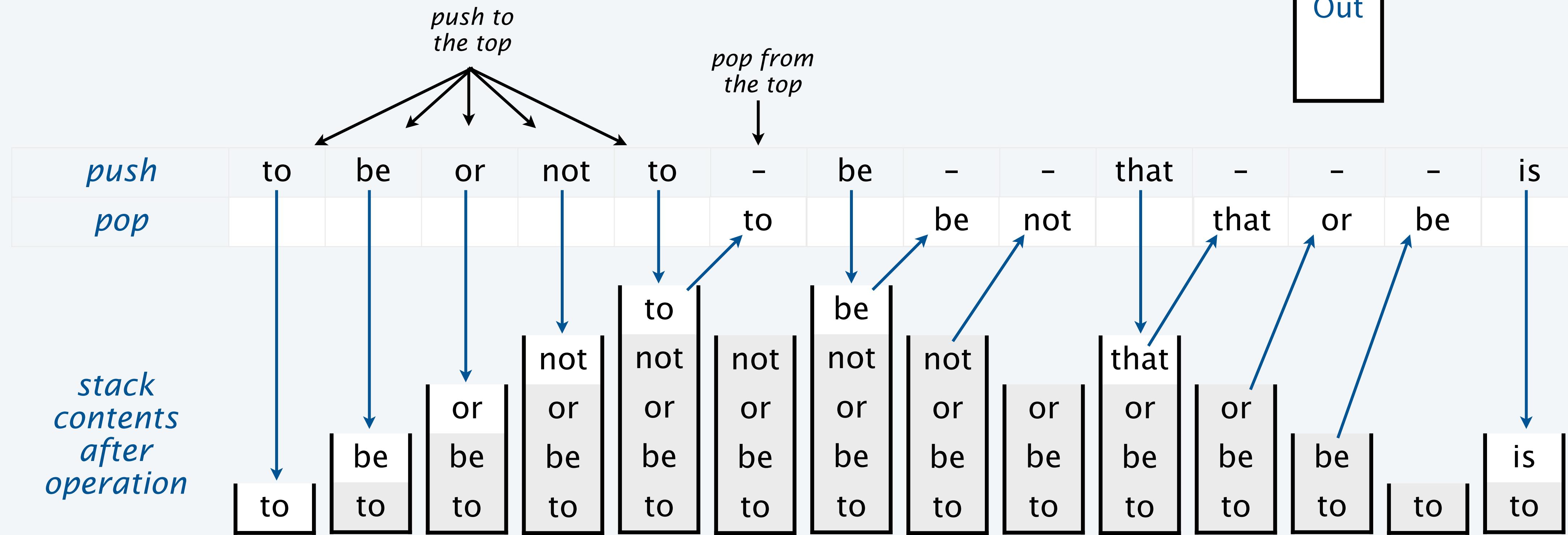
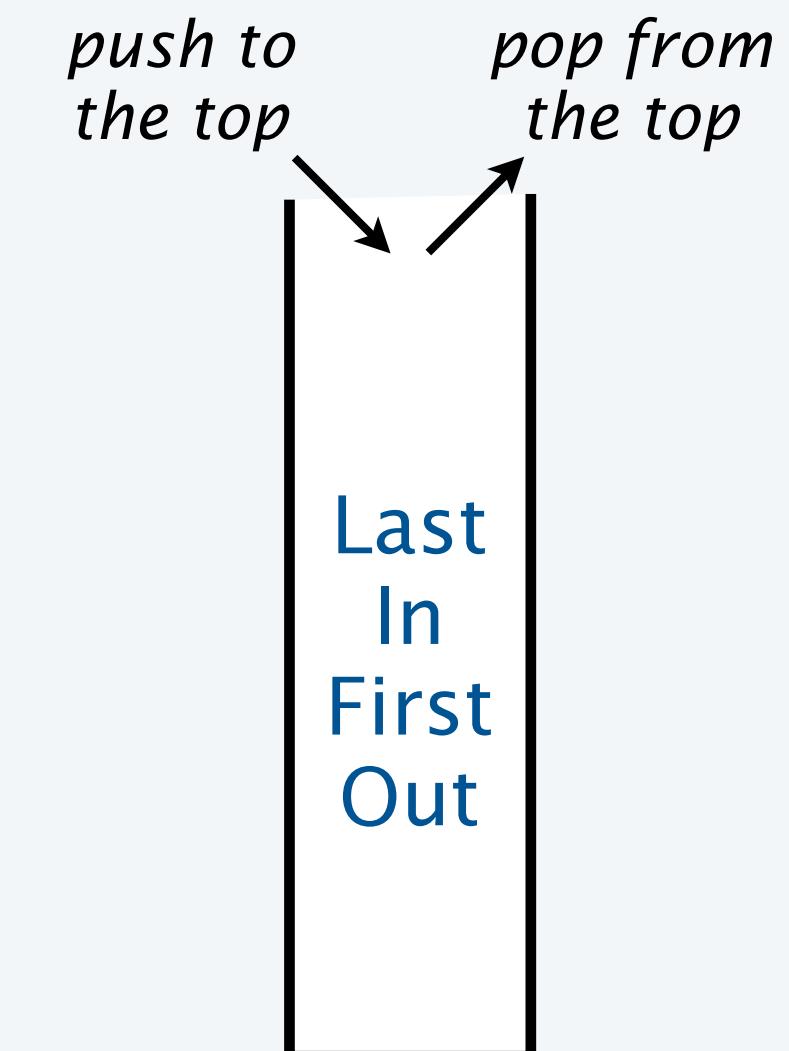
Stacks and queues both arise naturally in countless applications.

A key characteristic. **No limit** on the size of the collection.

Example of stack operations

Push. Add an item to the collection.

Pop. Remove and return the item *most* recently added.



Stack



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Example of queue operations

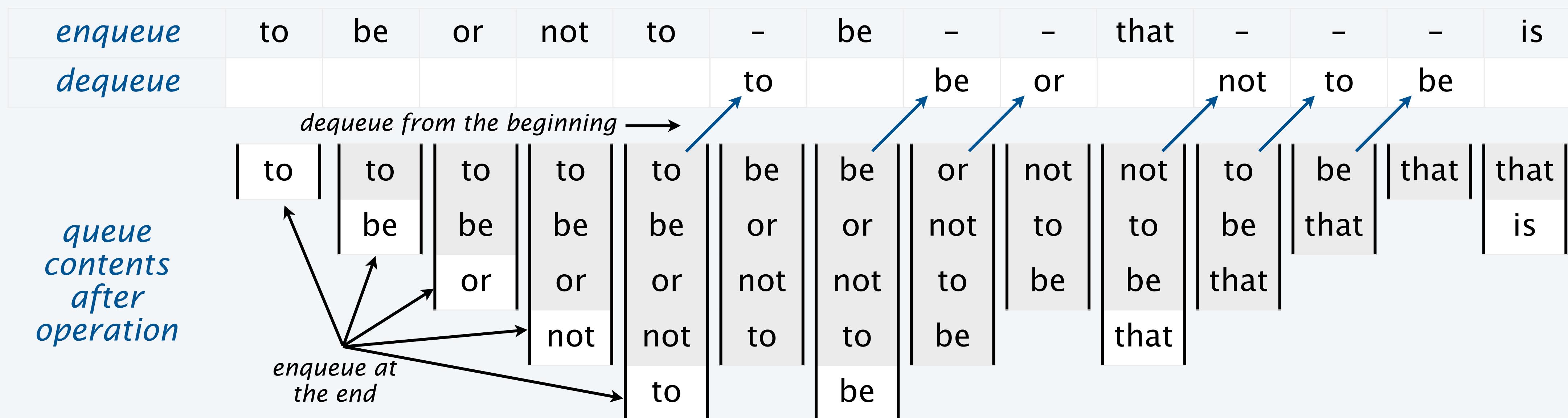
Enqueue. Add an item to the collection.

Dequeue. Remove and return the item *least* recently added.

*dequeue from
the beginning*

First
In
First
Out

*enqueue at
the end*



Queue



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Parameterized data types

Goal. Simple, safe, and clear client code for collections of any type of data.

Java approach: Parameterized data types (generics)

- Use placeholder type name in definition.
- Substitute concrete type for placeholder in clients. ← stay tuned for examples

Stack API

public class Stack<Item>	
Stack<Item>()	<i>create a stack of items, all of type Item</i>
void push(Item item)	<i>add item to stack</i>
Item pop()	<i>remove and return the item most recently pushed</i>
boolean isEmpty()	<i>is the stack empty?</i>
int size()	<i># of objects on the stack</i>

Queue API

public class Queue<Item>	
Queue<Item>()	<i>create a queue of items, all of type Item</i>
void enqueue(Item item)	<i>add item to queue</i>
Item dequeue()	<i>remove and return the item least recently enqueued</i>
boolean isEmpty()	<i>is the queue empty?</i>
int size()	<i># of objects on the queue</i>

Performance specifications

Challenge. Provide guarantees on performance.

Goal. Simple, safe, clear, and *efficient* client code.

Performance specifications

- All operations are constant-time.
- Memory use is linear in the size of the collection, when it is nonempty.
- No limits within the code on the collection size.

Typically required for client code to be *scalable*



Java. Any implementation of the API implements the stack/queue abstractions.

This course: Implementations that do not meet performance specs *do not* implement the abstractions.



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Stack and queue applications

Queues

- First-come-first-served resource allocation.
- Asynchronous data transfer (StdIn, StdOut).
- Dispensing requests on a shared resource.
- Simulations of the real world.



Stacks

- Last-come-first-served resource allocation.
- Function calls in programming languages.
- Basic mechanism in interpreters, compilers.
- Fundamental abstraction in computing.



Queue client example: Read all strings from StdIn into an array

Challenge

- Can't store strings in array before creating the array.
- Can't create the array without knowing how many strings are in the input stream.
- Can't know how many strings are in the input stream without reading them all.

Solution: Use a Queue<String>.

```
public class QEx
{
    public static String[] readAllStrings()
    { /* See next slide. */ }

    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        String[] words = readAllStrings();
        for (int i = 0; i < words.length; i++)
            StdOut.println(words[i]);
    }
}
```

Note: StdIn has this functionality

```
% more moby.txt
moby dick
herman melville
call me ishmael some years ago never
mind how long precisely having
little or no money
...
```

```
% java QEx < moby.txt
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Queue client example: Read all strings from StdIn into an array

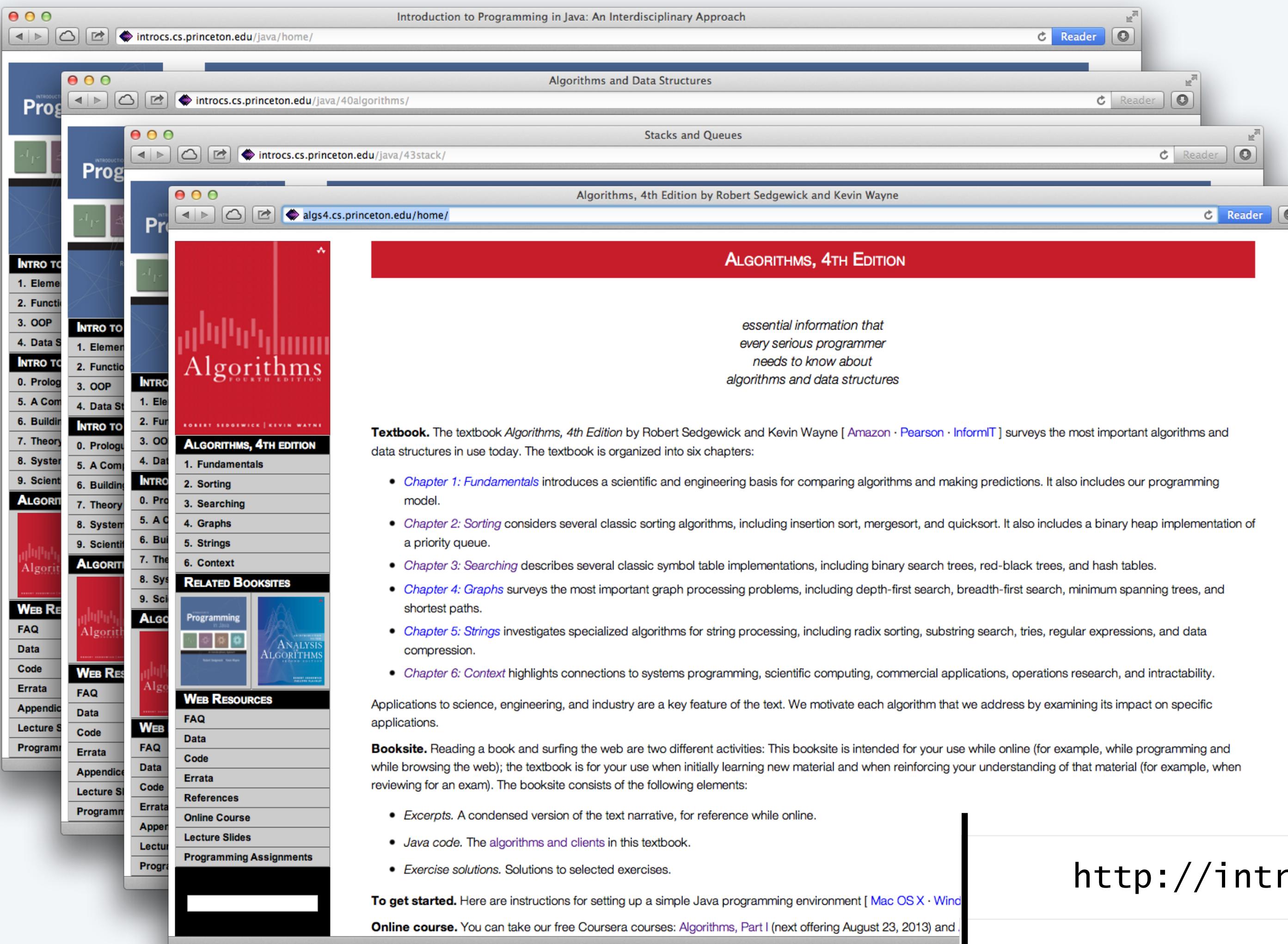
Solution: Use a Queue<String>.

- Store strings in the queue.
- Get the size when all have been read from StdIn.
- Create an array of that size.
- Copy the strings into the array.

```
public class QEx
{
    public static String[] readAllStrings()
    {
        Queue<String> q = new Queue<String>();
        while (!StdIn.isEmpty())
            q.enqueue(StdIn.readString());
        int N = q.size();
        String[] words = new String[N];
        for (int i = 0; i < N; i++)
            words[i] = q.dequeue();
        return words;
    }

    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        String[] words = readAllStrings();
        for (int i = 0; i < words.length; i++)
            StdOut.println(words[i]);
    }
}
```

Stack example: "Back" button in a browser



Typical scenario

- Visit a page.
- Click a link to another page.
- Click a link to another page.
- Click a link to another page.
- Click "back" button.
- Click "back" button.
- Click "back" button.

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Autoboxing

Challenge. Use a *primitive* type in a parameterized ADT.

Wrapper types

- Each primitive type has a wrapper reference type.
- Wrapper type has larger set of operations than primitive type.
Example: `Integer.parseInt()`.
- Instances of wrapper types are objects.
- Wrapper type can be used in a parameterized ADT.

primitive type	wrapper type
int	Integer
char	Character
double	Double
boolean	Boolean

Autoboxing. Automatic cast from primitive type to wrapper type.

Auto-unboxing. Automatic cast from wrapper type to primitive type.

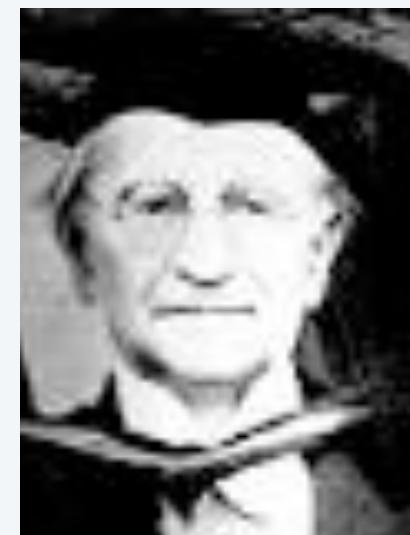
Simple client code →
(no casts)

```
Stack<Integer> stack = new Stack<Integer>();  
stack.push(17);           // Autobox (int -> Integer)  
int a = stack.pop();    // Auto-unbox (Integer -> int)
```

Stack client example: Postfix expression evaluation

Infix. Standard way of writing arithmetic expressions, using parentheses for precedence.

Example. $(1 + ((2 + 3) * (4 * 5))) = (1 + (5 * 20)) = 101$



Postfix. Write operator *after* operands (instead of in between them).

Example. 1 2 3 + 4 5 * * + ← also called "reverse Polish" notation (RPN)

Jan Łukasiewicz
1878–1956

Remarkable fact. No parentheses are needed!

There is only one way to parenthesize a postfix expression.

1 2 3 + 4 5 * * +

1 (2 + 3) 4 5 * * +

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

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

find first operator, convert to infix, enclose in ()

iterate, treating subexpressions in parentheses as atomic



HP-35 (1972)
First handheld calculator.
"Enter" means "push".
No parentheses.



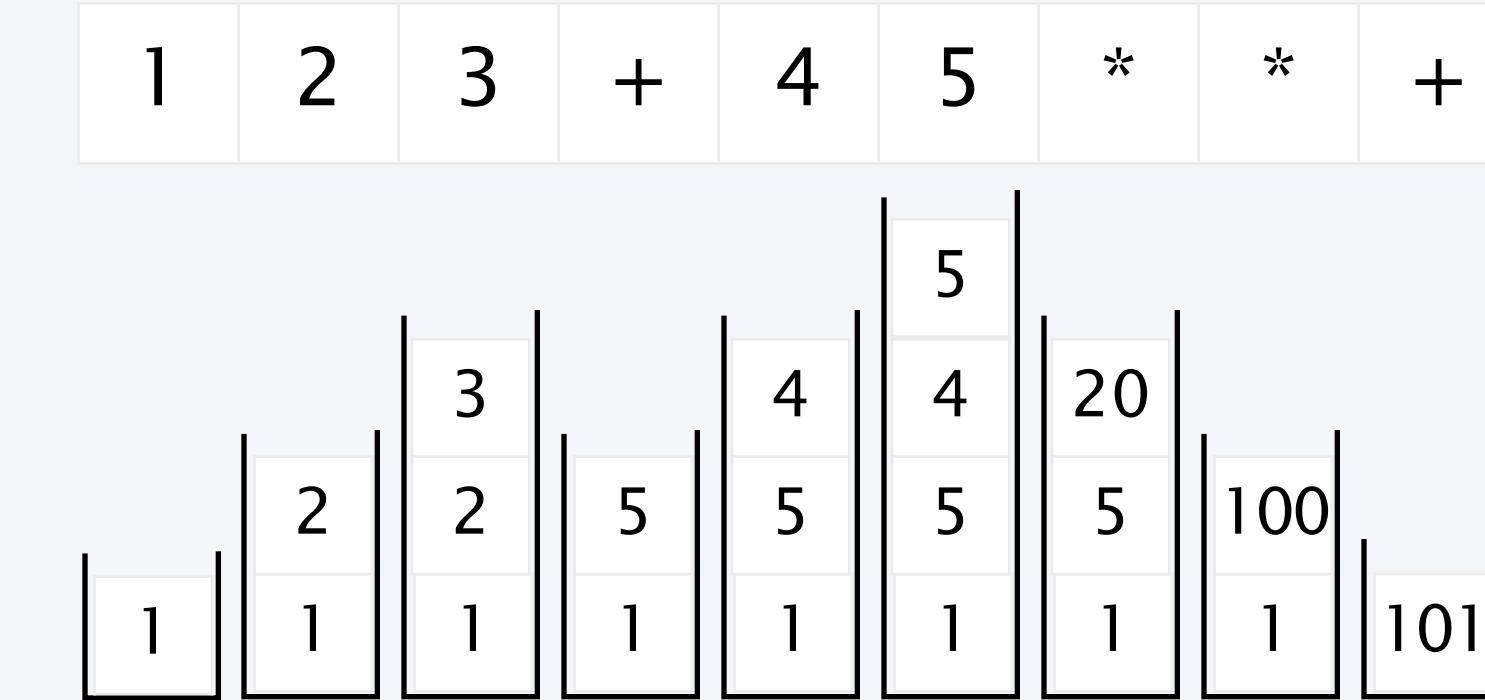
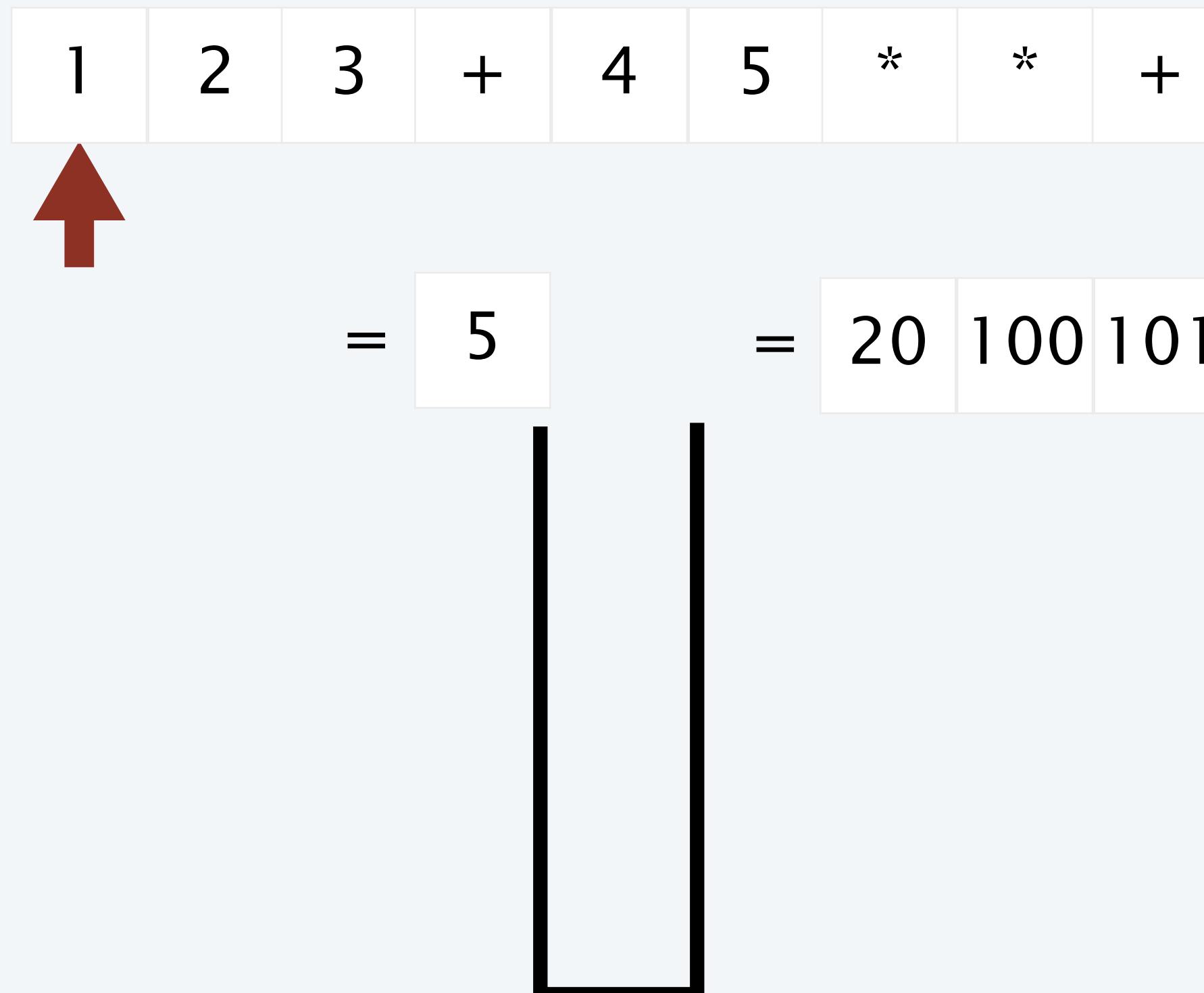
Made slide rules obsolete (!)

Next. With a stack, postfix expressions are easy to evaluate.

Postfix arithmetic expression evaluation

Algorithm

- While input stream is nonempty, read a token.
- Value: Push onto the stack.
- Operator: Pop operand(s), apply operator, push the result.



Stack client example: Postfix expression evaluation

```
public class Postfix
{
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        Stack<Double> stack = new Stack<Double>();
        while (!StdIn.isEmpty())
        {
            String token = StdIn.readString();
            if (token.equals("*"))
                stack.push(stack.pop() * stack.pop());
            else if (token.equals("+"))
                stack.push(stack.pop() + stack.pop());
            else if (token.equals("-"))
                stack.push(-stack.pop() + stack.pop());
            else if (token.equals("/"))
                stack.push((1.0 / stack.pop()) * stack.pop());
            else if (token.equals("sqrt"))
                stack.push(Math.sqrt(stack.pop()));
            else
                stack.push(Double.parseDouble(token));
        }
        StdOut.println(stack.pop());
    }
}
```

```
% java Postfix
1 2 3 + 4 5 * * +
101.0
```

```
% java Postfix
1 5 sqrt + 2 /
1.618033988749895
```

$$\frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2}$$

Perspective

- Easy to add operators of all sorts.
- Can do infix with two stacks (see text).
- Could output machine language code.
- Indicative of how Java compiler works.

Stack client example: Infix expression evaluation

Infix. Standard way of writing arithmetic expressions, using parentheses for precedence.

Example. $(1 + ((2 + 3) * (4 * 5))) = (1 + (5 * 20)) = 101$

Dijkstra. With *two* stacks, infix expressions are easy to evaluate.



Edsger Dijkstra
1878–1956

Dijkstra's 2-stack algorithm

- While input stream is nonempty, read a token.
- Value: Push onto the value stack.
- Operator: Push onto the operator stack.
- Left paren: Ignore.
- Right paren: Pop two values, pop operator, apply operator to values, push the result.

Real-world stack application: PostScript

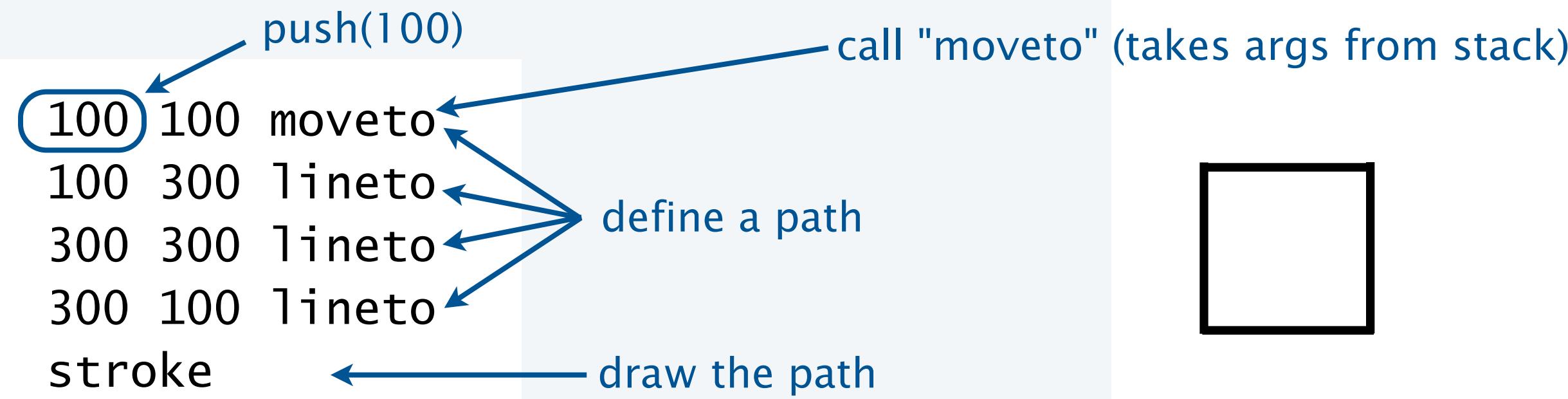
PostScript (Warnock-Geschke, 1980s): A turtle with a stack.

- Postfix program code (push literals; functions pop arguments).
- Add commands to drive virtual graphics machine.
- Add loops, conditionals, functions, types, fonts, strings....

300
100



PostScript code



A simple virtual machine, but not a toy

- Easy to specify published page.
- Easy to implement on various specific printers.
- Revolutionized world of publishing.



Another stack machine: [The JVM \(Java Virtual Machine\)!](#)

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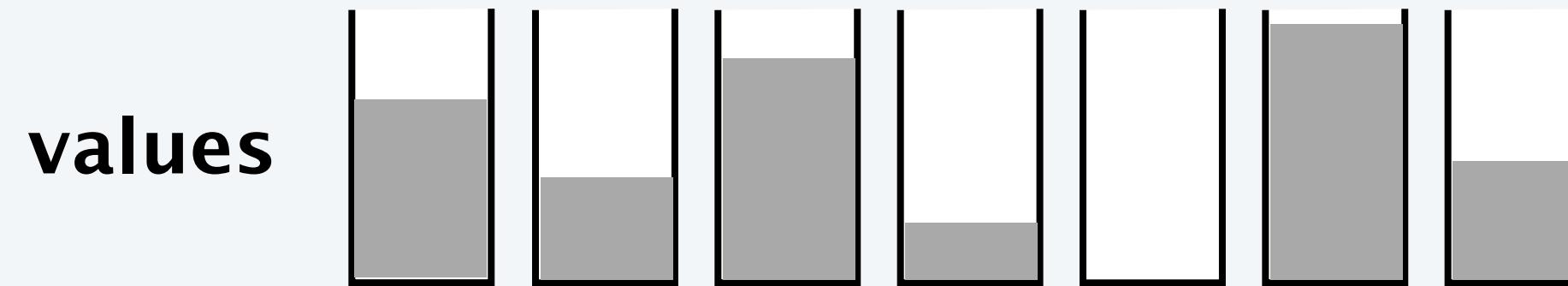
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Strawman ADT for pushdown stacks

Warmup: simplify the ADT

- Implement only for items of type `String`.
- Have client provide a stack *capacity* in the constructor.



Strawman API

public class StrawStack	
StrawStack(<code>int</code> max)	<i>create a stack of capacity max</i>
void push(<code>String</code> item)	<i>add item to stack</i>
<code>String</code> pop()	<i>return the string most recently pushed</i>
boolean isEmpty()	<i>is the stack empty?</i>
int size()	<i>number of strings on the stack</i>

Rationale. Allows us to represent the collection with an array of strings.

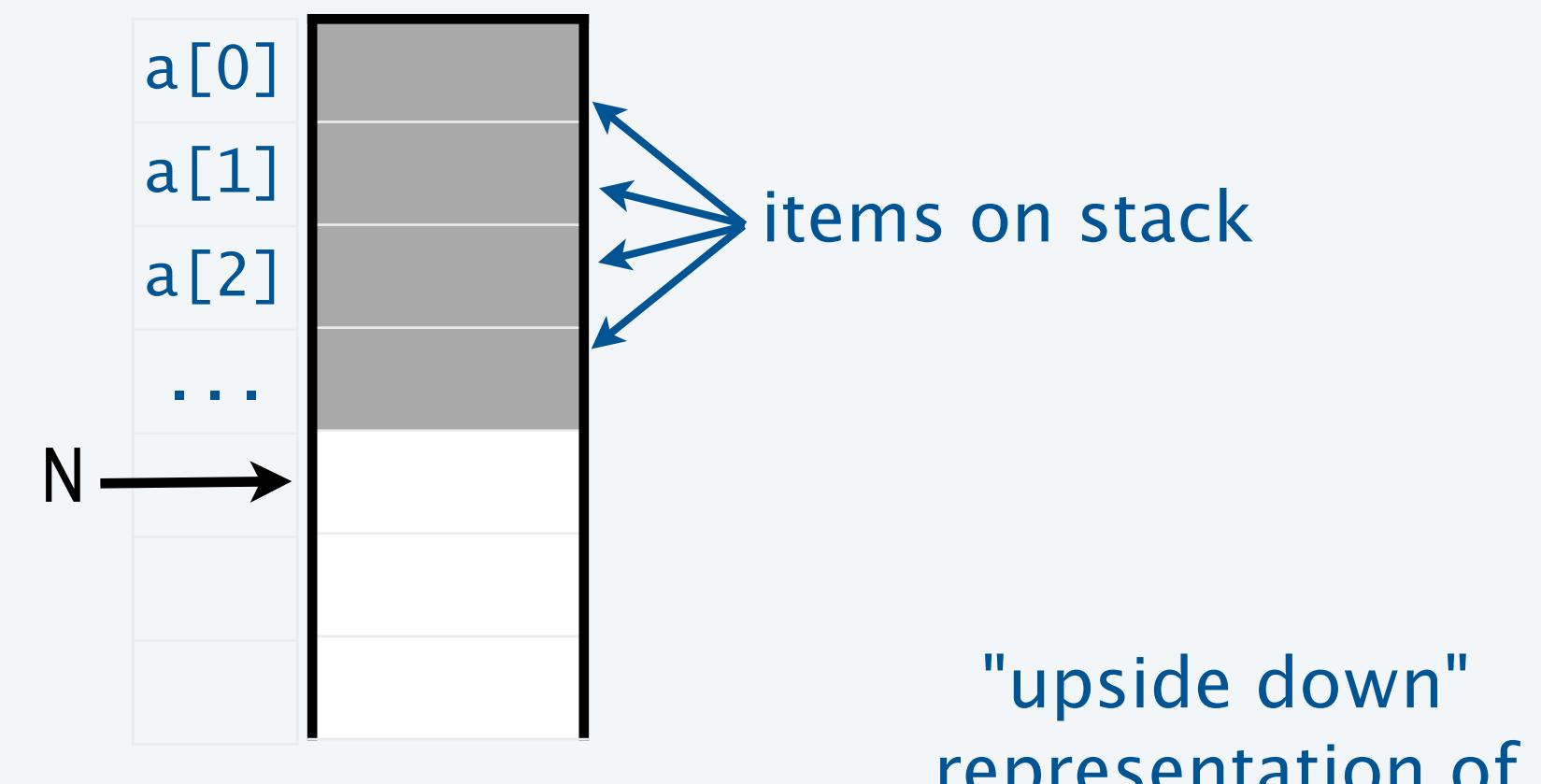
Strawman implementation: Instance variables and constructor

Data structure choice. Use an array to hold the collection.

```
public class StrawStack
{
    private String[] a;
    private int N = 0;

    public StrawStack(int max)
    {   a = new String[max];   }

    ...
}
```



Strawman stack implementation: Test client

```
public static void main(String[] args)
{
    int max = Integer.parseInt(args[0]);
    StrawStack stack = new StrawStack(max);
    while (!StdIn.isEmpty())
    {
        String item = StdIn.readString();
        if (item.equals("-"))
            StdOut.print(stack.pop());
        else
            stack.push(item);
    }
    StdOut.println();
}
```



```
% more tobe.txt
to be or not to - be - - that - - - is

% java StrawStack 20 < tobe.txt
to be not that or be
```

What we *expect*, once the implementation is done.



Strawman implementation: Methods

Methods define data-type operations (implement APIs).

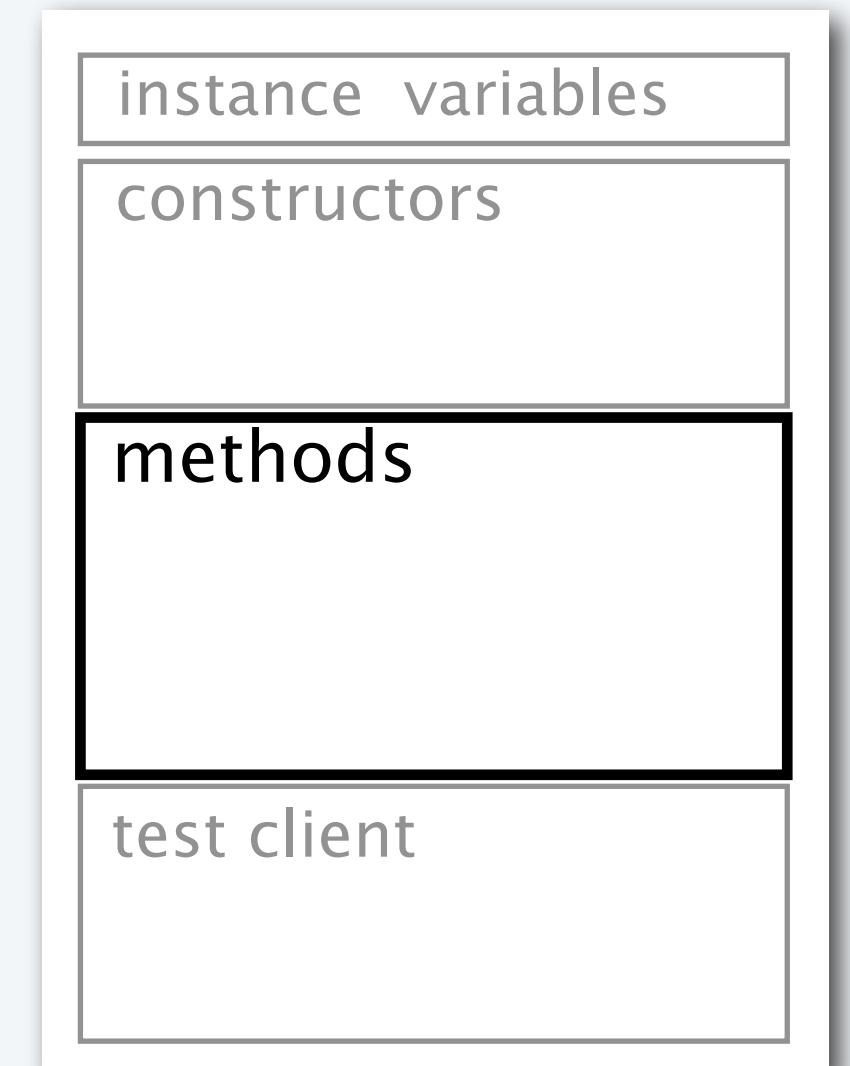
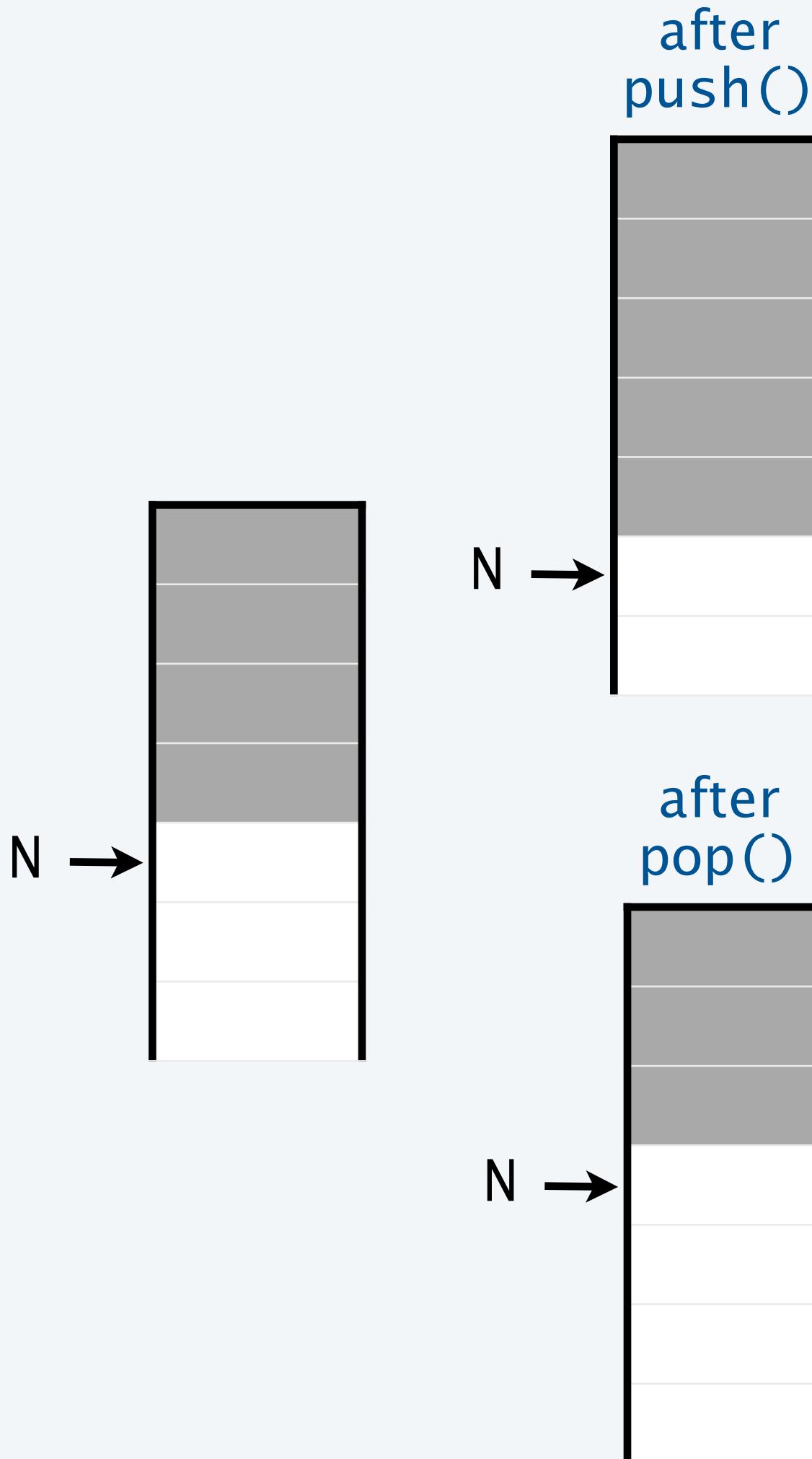
```
public class StrawStack
{
    ...
    public boolean isEmpty()
    { return (N == 0); }

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

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

    public int size()
    { return N; }
    ...
}
```

all constant-time
one-liners!



Strawman pushdown stack implementation

```
public class StrawStack
{
    private String[] a;
    private int N = 0;

    public StrawStack(int max)
    { a = new String[max]; }

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

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

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

    public int size()
    { return N; }

    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        int max = Integer.parseInt(args[0]);
        StrawStack stack = new StrawStack(max);
        while (!StdIn.isEmpty())
        {
            String item = StdIn.readString();
            if (item.equals("-"))
                StdOut.print(stack.pop() + " ");
            else
                stack.push(item);
        }
        StdOut.println();
    }
}
```

instance variables

constructor

methods

```
% more tobe.txt
to be or not to - be - - that - - - is
```

```
% java StrawStack 20 < tobe.txt
to be not that or be
```

test client

Trace of strawman stack implementation (array representation)

<i>push</i>	to	be	or	not	to	-	be	-	-	that	-	-	-	-	is
<i>pop</i>						to		be	not		that	or	be		
a[0]	to						to								to
a[1]	be						be								is
a[2]	or						or								or
a[3]	not						not								that
a[4]	to						to								be
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Significant wasted space when stack size
is not near the capacity (typical).

Benchmarking the strawman stack implementation

StrawStack implements a *fixed-capacity collection that behaves like a stack* if the data fits.

It does *not* implement the stack API or meet the performance specifications.

Stack API

public class Stack<Item>	
Stack<Item>()	X <i>create a stack of items, all of type Item</i>
void push(Item item)	<i>add item to stack</i>
X Item pop()	<i>remove and return the item most recently pushed</i>
boolean isEmpty()	<i>is the stack empty?</i>
int size()	<i># of items on the stack</i>

StrawStack
works only
for strings



StrawStack requires client to provide capacity

Performance
specifications

- All operations are constant-time. ✓
- Memory use is linear in the size of the collection, X
when it is nonempty.
- No limits within the code on the collection size. X

Nice try, but need a new *data structure*.



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Data structures: sequential vs. linked

Sequential data structure

- Put objects next to one another.
- Machine: consecutive memory cells.
- Java: array of objects.
- Fixed size, arbitrary access. $\leftarrow i\text{th element}$

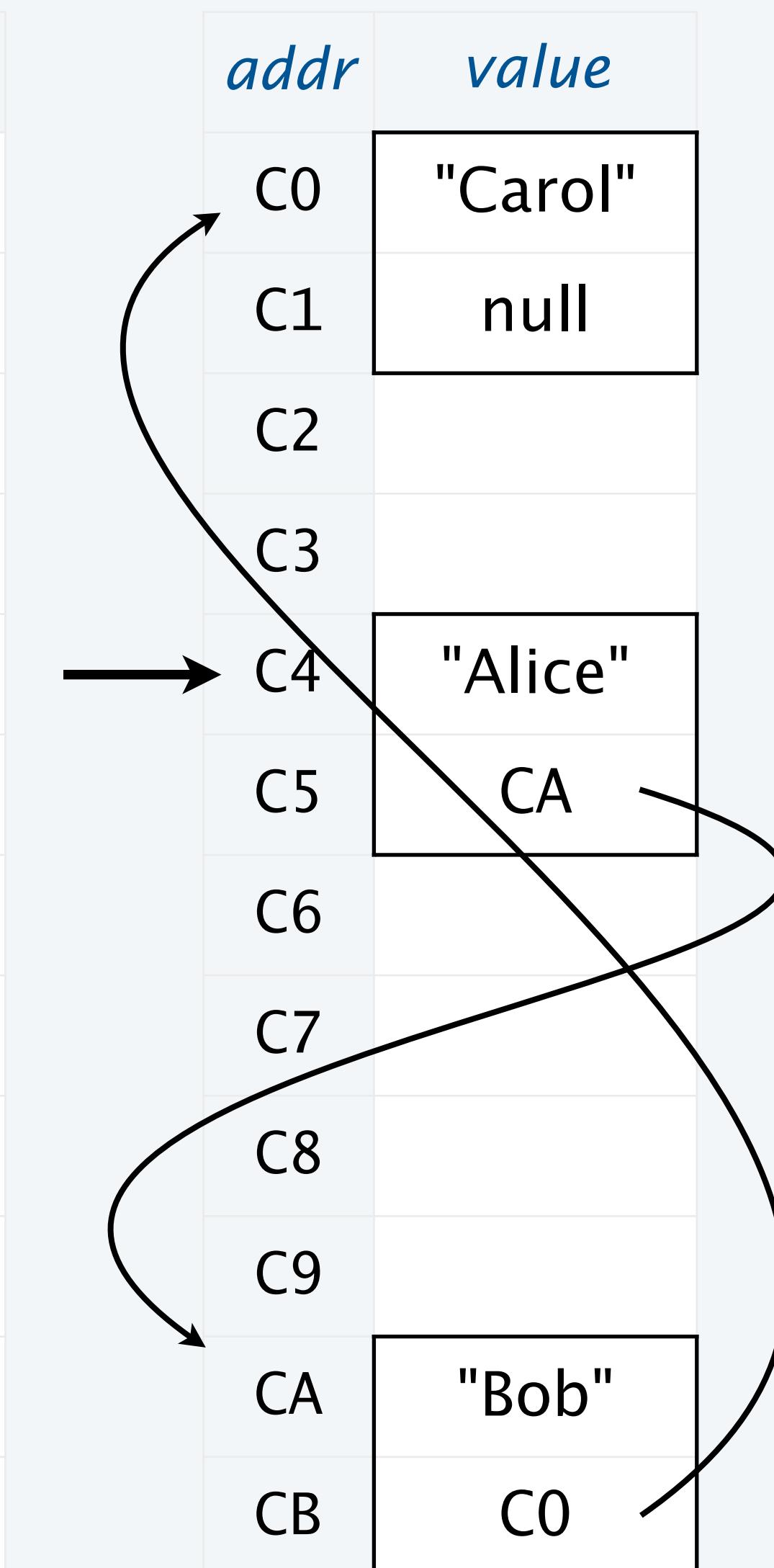
Linked data structure

- Associate with each object a **link** to another one.
- Machine: link is memory address of next object.
- Java: link is reference to next object.
- Variable size, sequential access. $\leftarrow \text{next element}$
- Overlooked by novice programmers.
- Flexible, widely used method for organizing data.

Array at C0

addr	value
C0	"Alice"
C1	"Bob"
C2	"Carol"
C3	
C4	
C5	
C6	
C7	
C8	
C9	
CA	
CB	

Linked list at C4



Simplest singly-linked data structure: linked list

Linked list

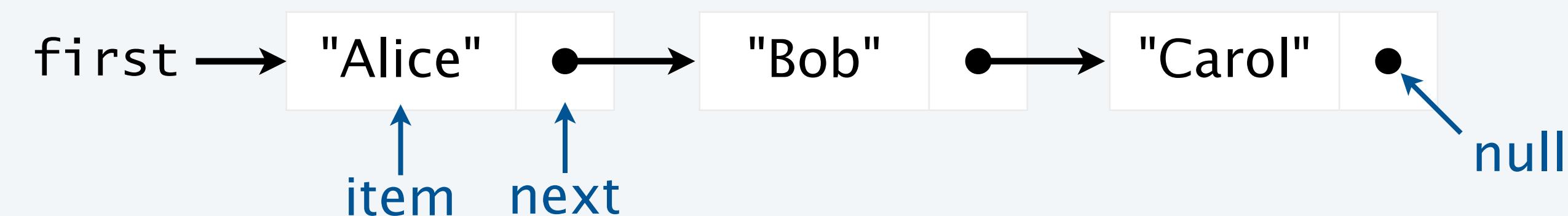
- A recursive data structure.
- Def. A *linked list* is null or a reference to a *node*.
- Def. A *node* is a data type that contains a reference to a node.
- Unwind recursion: A linked list is a sequence of nodes.

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

Representation

- Use a private *nested class* Node to implement the node abstraction.
- For simplicity, start with nodes having two values: a String and a Node.

A linked list



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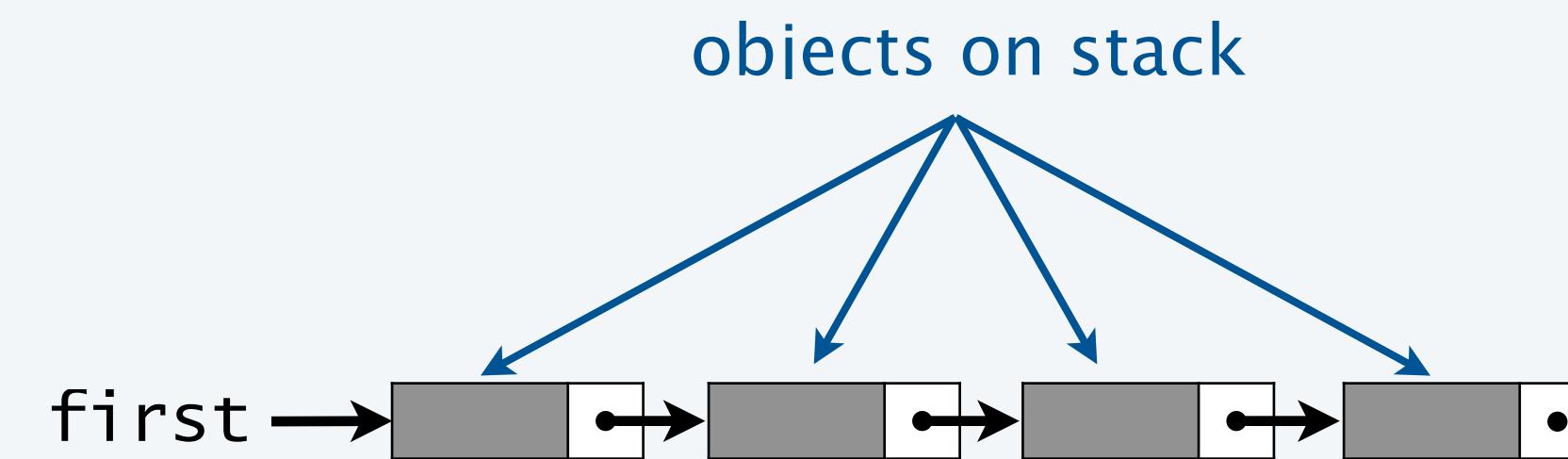
Pushdown stack implementation: Instance variables and constructor

Data structure choice. Use a [linked list](#) to hold the collection.

```
public class Stack<Item>
{
    private Node first = null;
    private int N = 0;

    private class Node
    {
        private Item item;
        private Node next;
    }
    ...
}
```

use in place of concrete type



Annoying exception (not a problem here).
Can't declare an array of Item objects (don't ask why).
Need cast: Item[] a = (Item[]) new Object[N]

Stack implementation: Test client

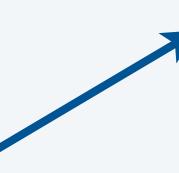
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public static void main(String[] args)
{
    Stack<String> stack = new Stack<String>();
    while (!StdIn.isEmpty())
    {
        String item = StdIn.readString();
        if (item.equals("-"))
            System.out.print(stack.pop() + " ");
        else
            stack.push(item);
    }
    StdOut.println();
}
```



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What we *expect*, once the implementation is done.



Stack implementation: Methods

Methods define data-type operations (implement the API).

```
public class Stack<Item>
{
...
    public boolean isEmpty()
    { return first == null; }

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

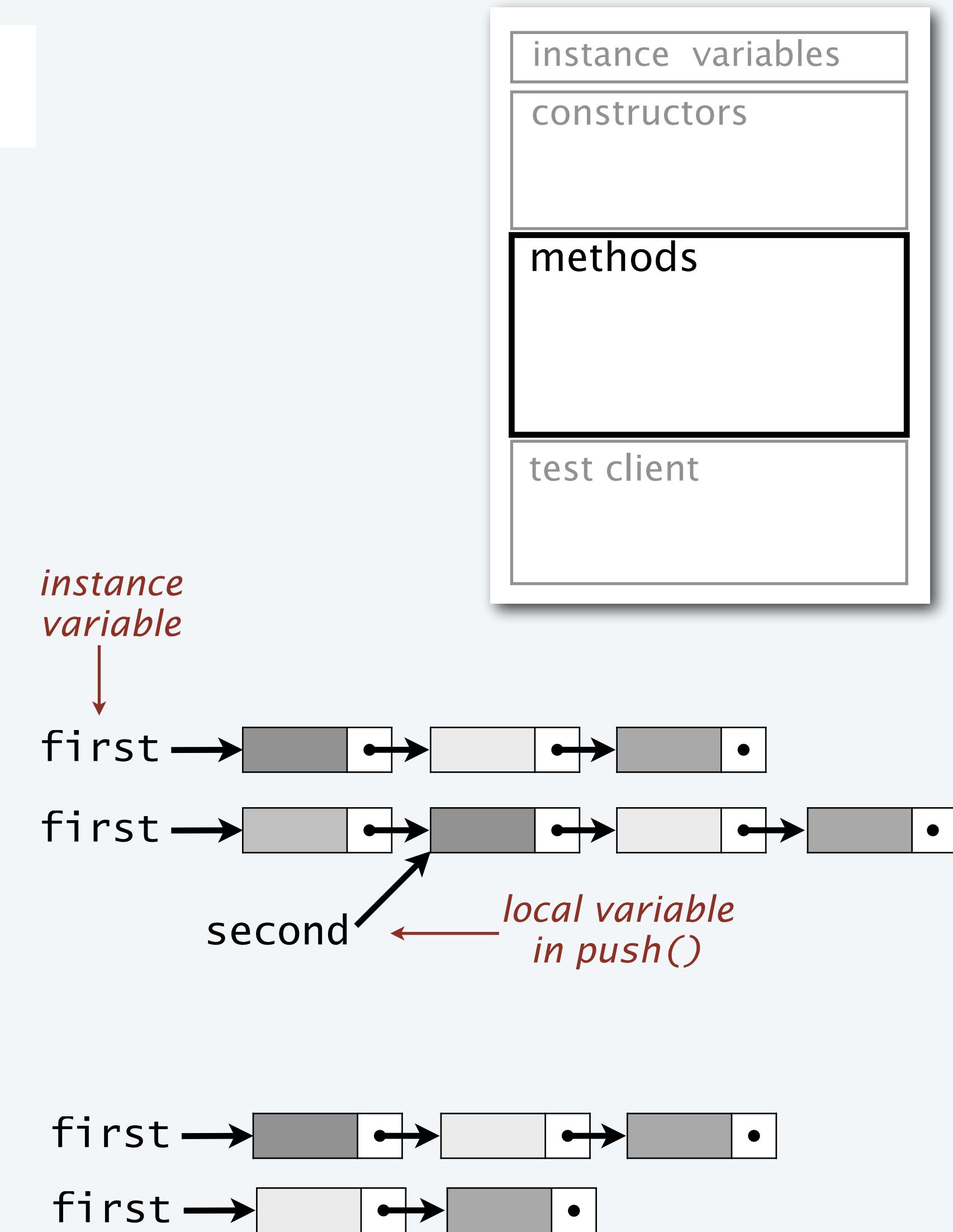
    public Item pop()
    {
        Item item = first.item;
        first = first.next;
        N--;
        return item;
    }

    public int size()
    { return N; }
}
```

might also use $N == 0$

add a new node to the beginning of the list

remove and return first item on list



Stack implementation

```
public class Stack<Item>
{
    private Node first = null;
    private int N = 0;

    private class Node
    {
        private Item item;
        private Node next;
    }

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

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

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

    public int size()
    { return N; }

    public static void main(String[] args)
    { // See earlier slide }
}
```

instance variables

nested class

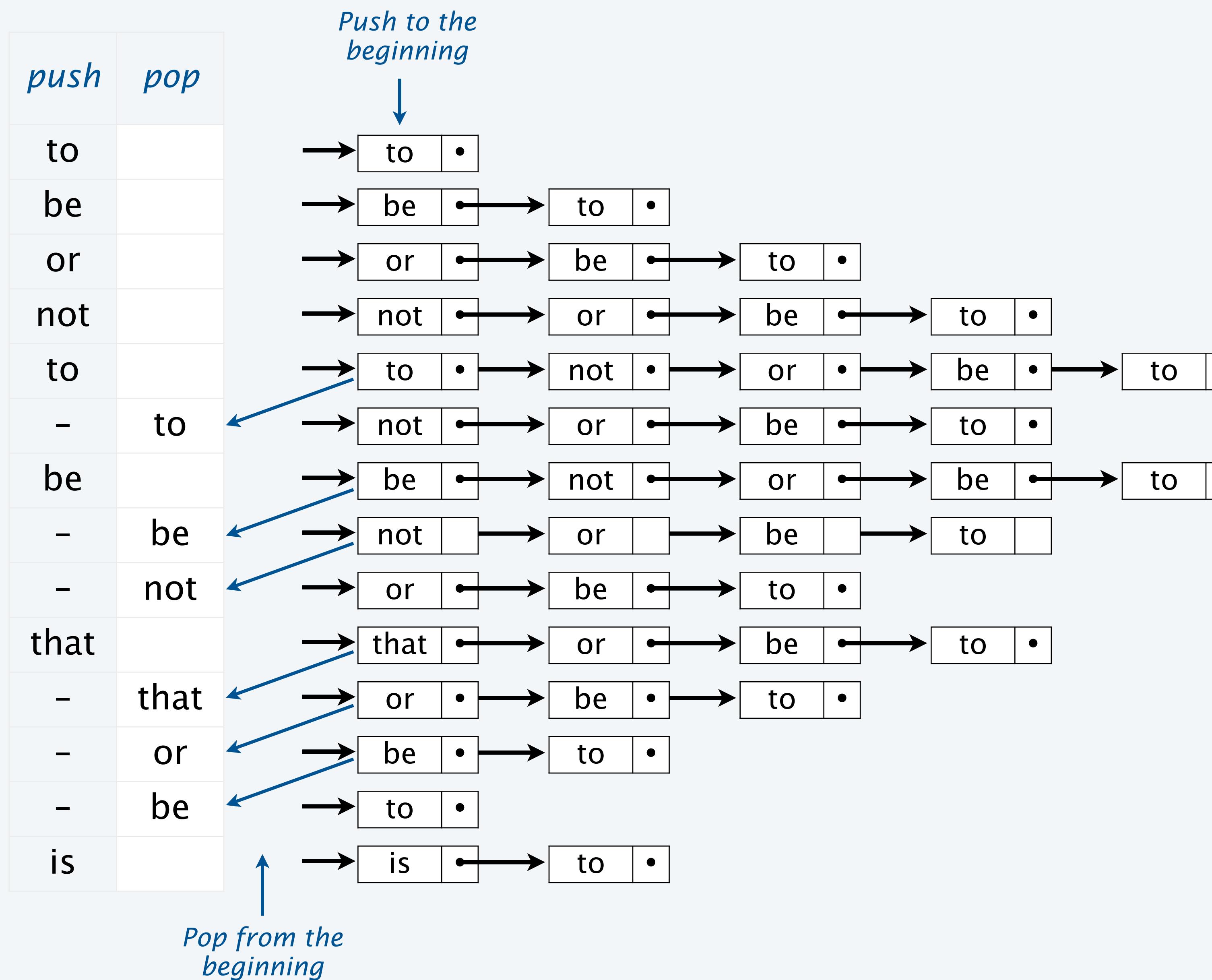
methods

test client

```
% more tobe.txt
to be or not to - be - - that - - - is

% java Stack < tobe.txt
to be not that or be
```

Trace of stack implementation (linked list representation)



Benchmarking the stack implementation

Stack implements the stack abstraction.

It *does* implement the API and meet the performance specifications.

Stack API

public class Stack<Item>	
Stack<Item>()	<i>create a stack of items, all of type Item</i>
void push(Item item)	<i>add item to stack</i>
Item pop()	<i>remove and return the item most recently pushed</i>
boolean isEmpty()	<i>is the stack empty?</i>
int size()	<i># of items on the stack</i>

Performance specifications

- All operations are constant-time. ✓
- Memory use is linear in the size of the collection, when it is nonempty. ✓
- No limits within the code on the collection size. ✓

Made possible by *linked data structure*.

dequeue(): same code as pop()
enqueue(): slightly more complicated

Also possible to implement the *queue* abstraction with a singly-linked list (see text).

ADT for queues

A **queue** is an idealized model of a FIFO storage mechanism.

An **ADT** allows us to write Java programs that use and manipulate queues.

API

```
public class Queue<Item>
```

```
    Queue<Item>()
```

create a queue of objects, all of type Item

```
    void enqueue(Item item)
```

push item onto the queue

```
    Item dequeue()
```

remove and return the object most recently enqueued

```
    boolean isEmpty()
```

is the queue empty?

```
    int size()
```

of objects on the queue

Performance specs

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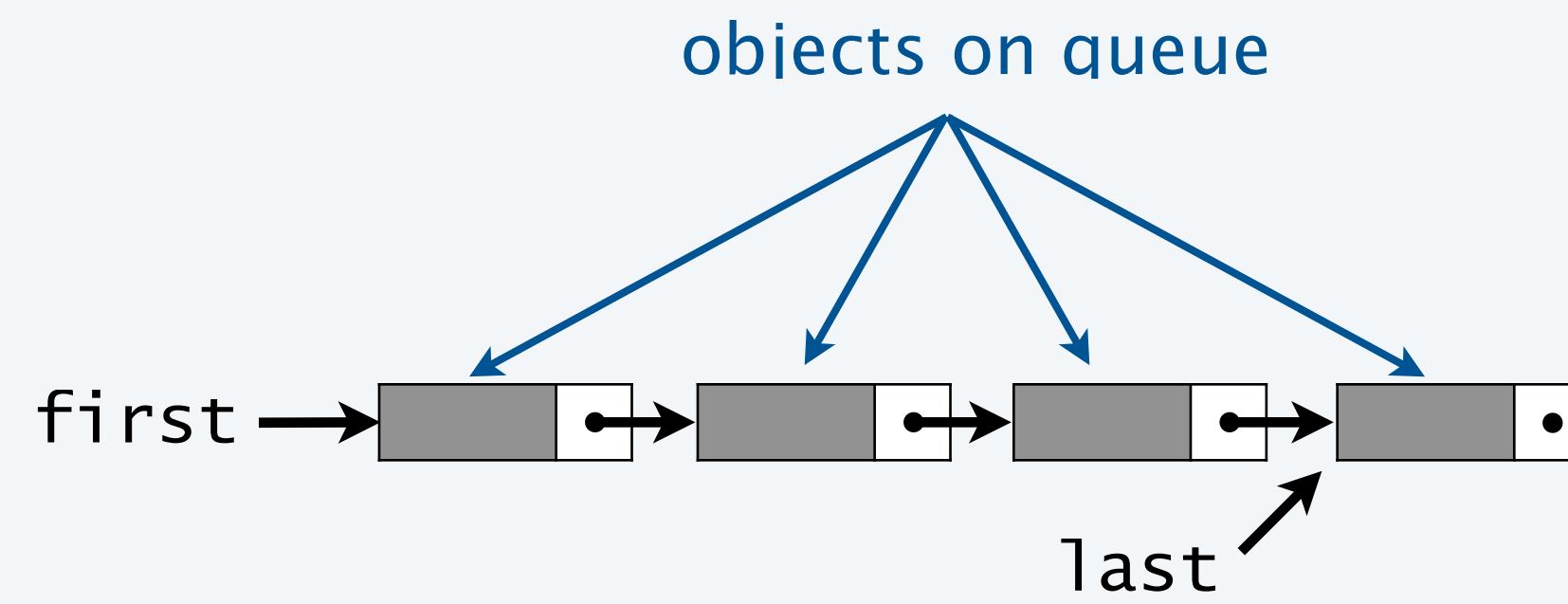
Queue implementation: Instance variables and constructor

Data structure choice. Use a [linked list](#) to hold the collection.

```
public class Queue<Item>
{
    private Node first = null;
    private Node last = null;
    private int N = 0;

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

    public Queue()           default constructor
    {                         redundant code
        first = null;
        last = null
        N = 0;
    }
    ...
}
```



Queue implementation: Test client

```
public static void main(String[] args)
{
    Queue<String> q = new Queue<String>();
    while (!StdIn.isEmpty())
    {
        String item = StdIn.readString();
        if (item.compareTo("-") != 0)
            q.enqueue(item);
        else
            System.out.print(q.dequeue());
    }
    System.out.println();
}
```



```
% more tobe.txt
to be or not to - be - - that - - - is

% java Queue < tobe.txt
to be or not to be
```

What we *expect*, once the implementation is done.



Queue implementation: Methods

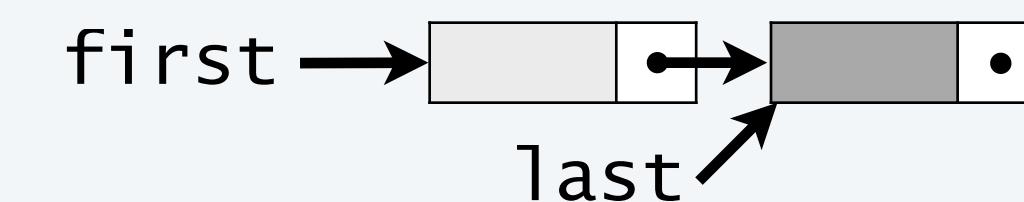
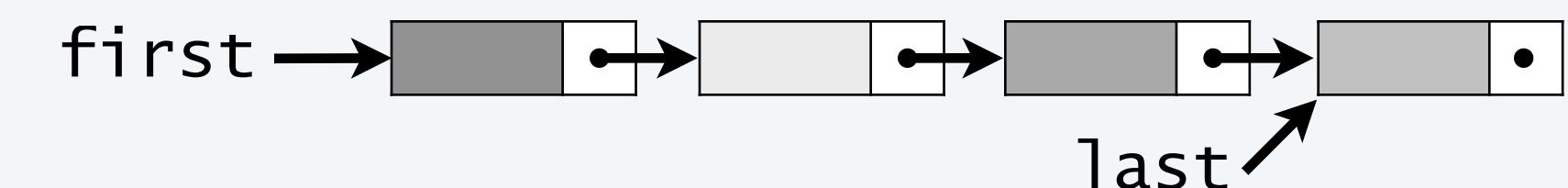
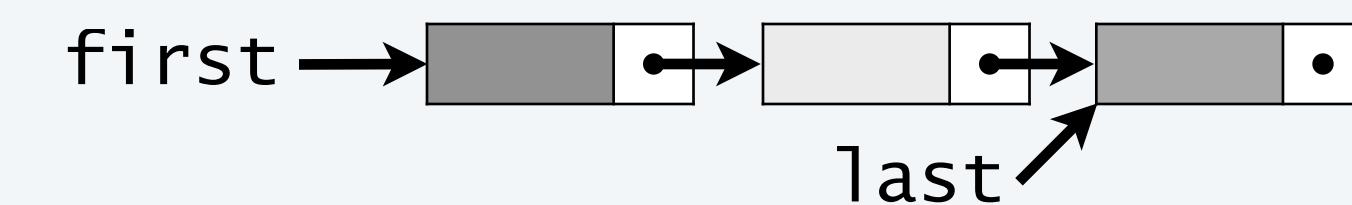
Methods define data-type operations (implement the API).

```
public class Queue<Item>
{
...
    public boolean isEmpty()
    { return first == null; }
    public void enqueue(Item item)
    {
        last.next = new Node();
        last = last.next;
        last.item = item;
        N++;
    }
    public Item dequeue()
    {
        String item = first.item;
        first = first.next;
        N--;
        return item;
    }
    public int size()
    { return N; }
...
```

add a new node
to the end of the list

remove and return
first item on list
(same as stack pop)

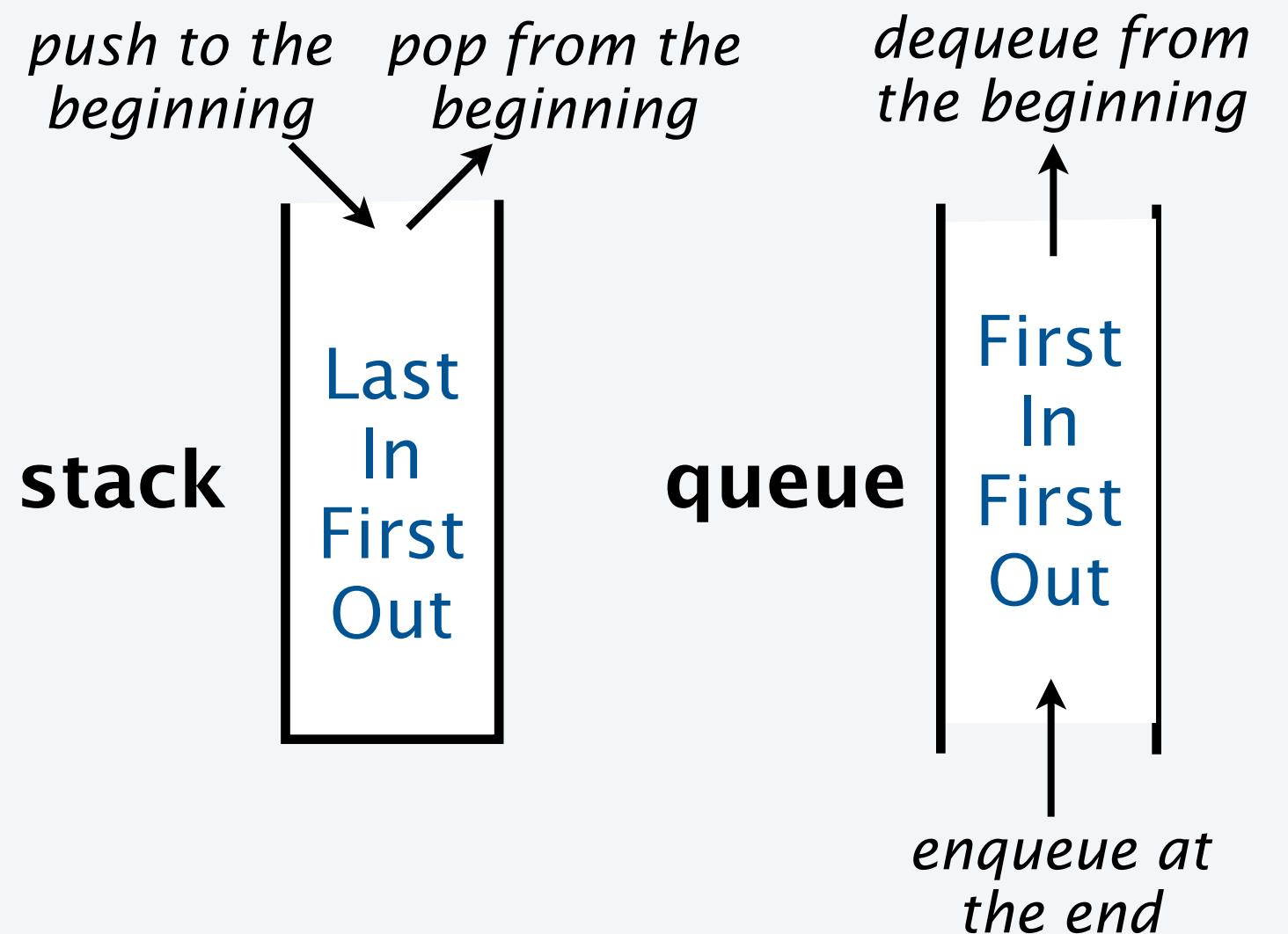
after
enqueue()
after
dequeue()



Summary

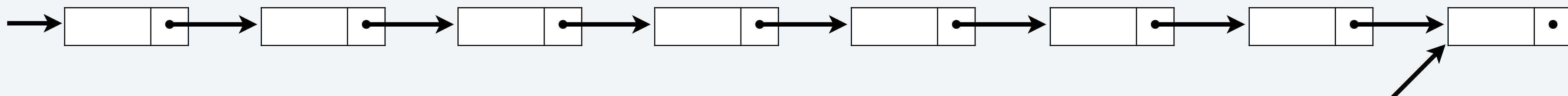
Stacks and queues

- Fundamental collection abstractions.
- Differ only in order in which items are removed.
- Performance specifications: Constant-time for all operations and space linear in the number of objects.



Linked structures

- Fundamental alternative to arrays.
- Enable implementations of the stack/queue abstractions *that meet performance specifications*.



Next: *Symbol tables*



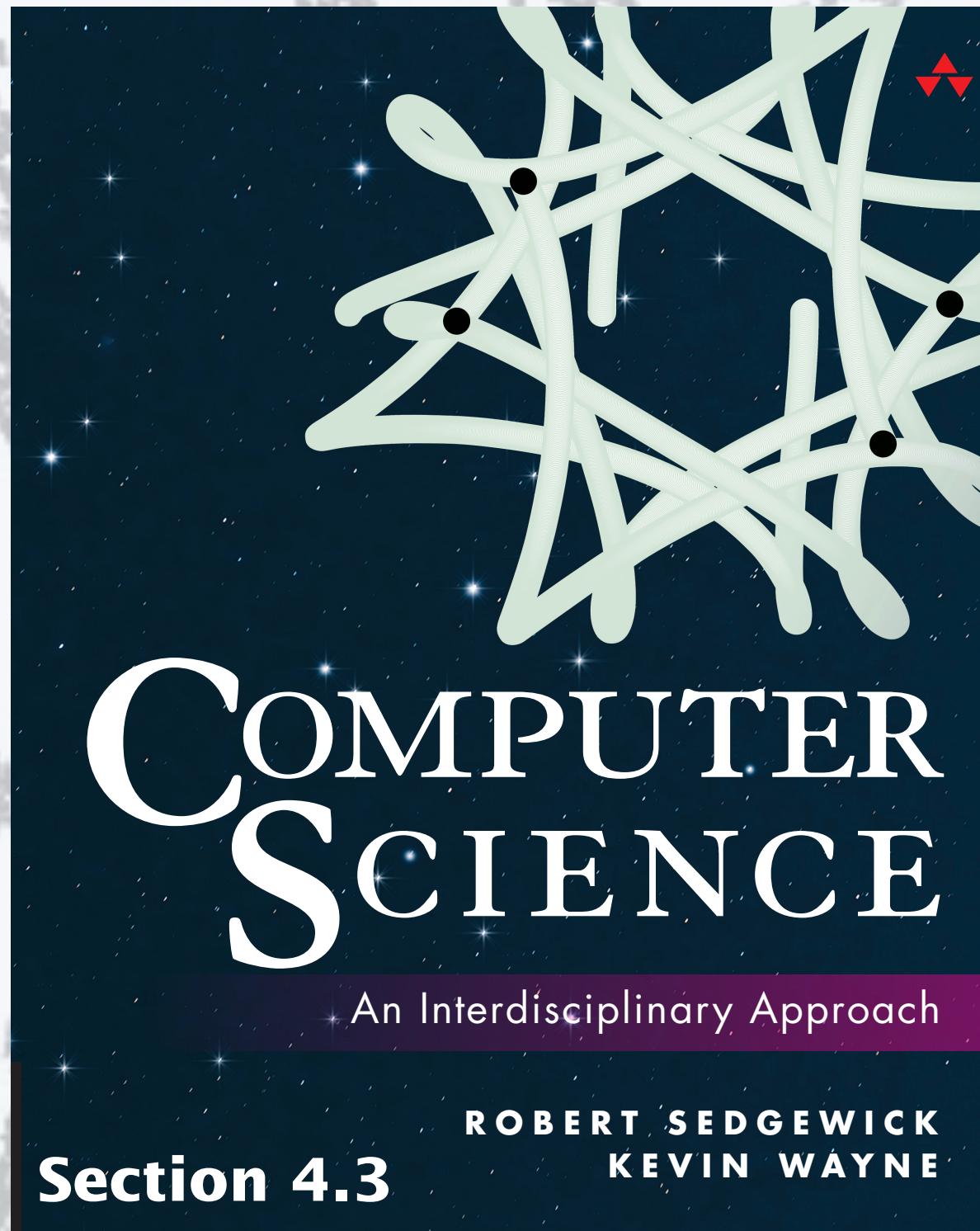
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