



CS1102: Data Structures and Algorithms

Part 4

Stack

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Stacks

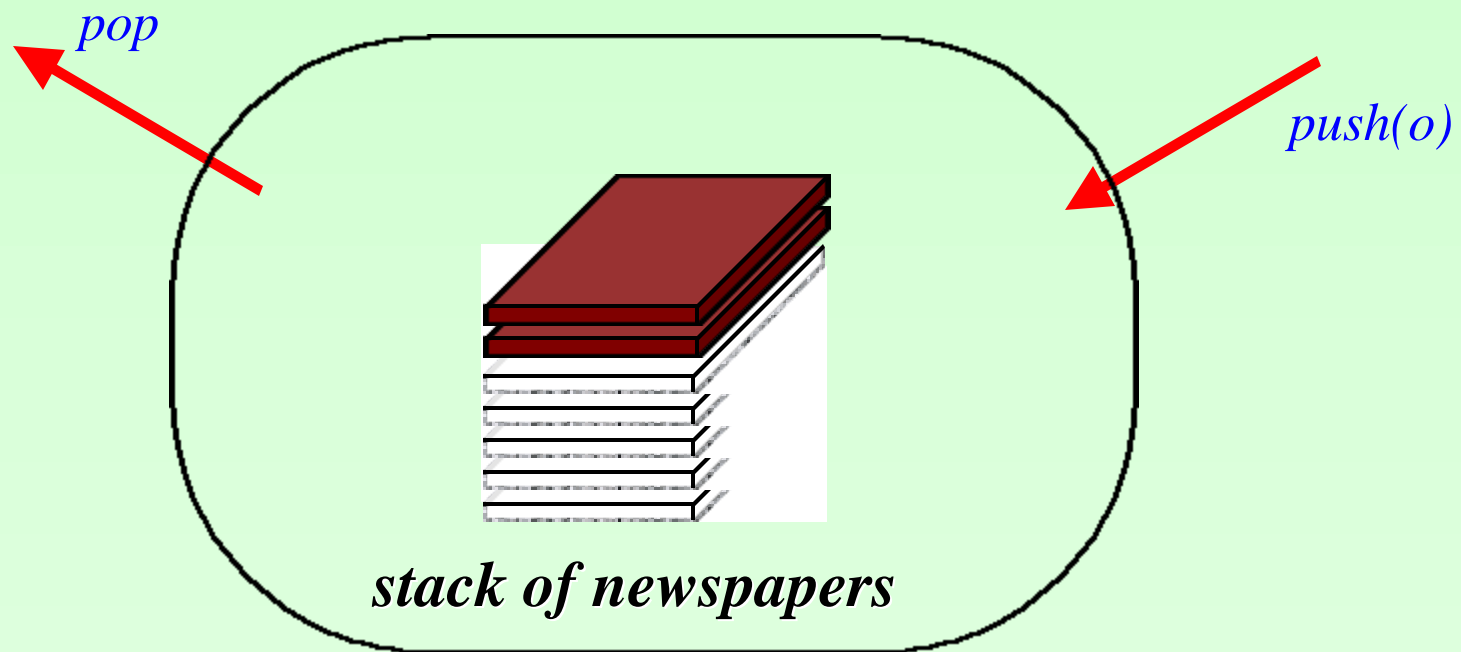


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What is a Stack?

- Stacks can be implemented efficiently and are very useful in computing.
- Stacks exhibit the LIFO behavior.



Stack ADT Interface

We can use Java Interface to specify Stack ADT Interface

```
interface Stack {  
  
    boolean isEmpty();                // return true if empty  
  
    void push(Object o);                // insert o into stack  
  
    void pop() throws Underflow;        // remove most recent item  
  
    Object top() throws Underflow;      // retrieve most recent item  
  
    Object topAndPop() throws Underflow; // return & remove most recent item  
}
```

Sample Code

➔ `Stack s = makeStack();`

➔ `s.push("a");`

➔ `s.push("b");`

➔ `s.push("c");`

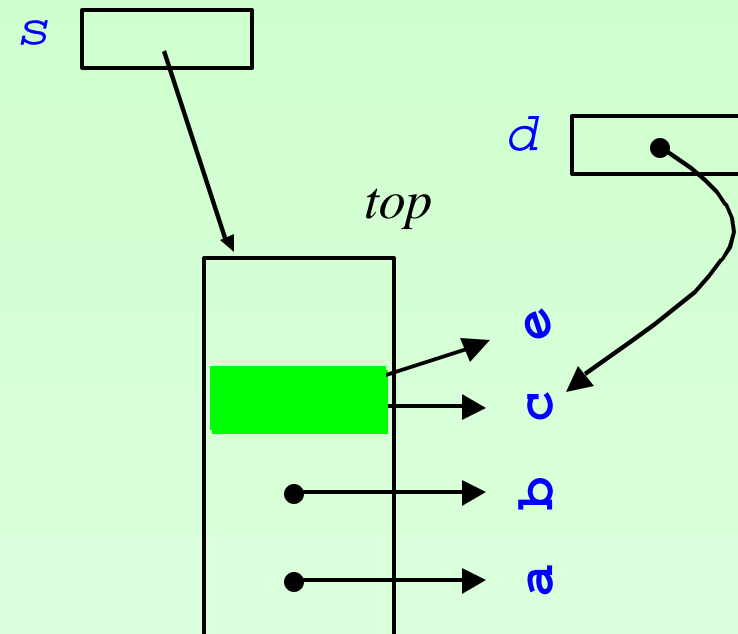
➔ `d=s.top();`

➔ `s.pop();`

➔ `s.push("e");`

➔ `s.pop();`

Stack ADT



Applications

Many application areas use stacks:

- *line editing*
- *bracket matching*
- *postfix calculation*
- *function call stack*

Line Editing

A line editor would place the characters read into a buffer but may use a backspace symbol (denoted by ←) to do error correction.

Refined Task

- read in a line
- correct the errors via backspace
- print the corrected line in reverse

Example:

Input : `abc_defgh←2klp←←←wxyz`


Corrected Input : `abc_defg2klpwxzy`

Reversed Output : `zyxwplk2gfed_cba`

Informal Procedure

- Initialise a new stack.
- For each character read:
 - if it is a backspace, *pop out last char entered*
 - if not a backspace, *push the char into stack*
- To print in reverse, pop out each char for output.

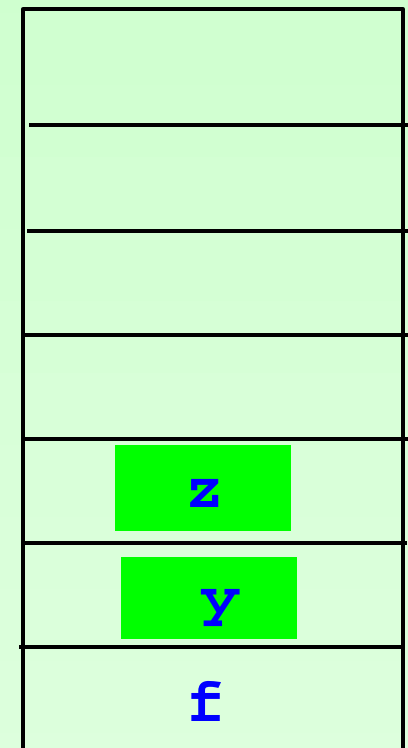
Input : fgh←r←←yz



Corrected Input : fyz

Reversed Output : zyf

Line Editing



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Line Editing

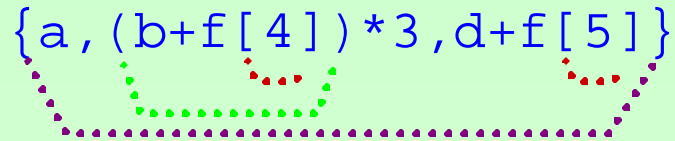
```
Stack s = StackLL.makeStack();
while (not end of line) do
    { read a new char ch
      if (ch != '←')
          {s.push(new Character(ch));}
      else {if (!s.isEmpty()) s.pop();}
    };
// print char in reverse order
while (!s.isEmpty()) do
    { d = s.topAndPop();
      print out d ;
    }
```

Bracket Matching Problem

Ensures that pairs of brackets are properly matched.

- An Example:

`{a, (b+f[4])*3, d+f[5]}`




- Bad Examples:

`(..)..` // too many closing brackets

`(..(..)` // too many open brackets

`[..(..)]..` // mismatched brackets



Informal Procedure

Initialise the stack to empty.

For every char read.

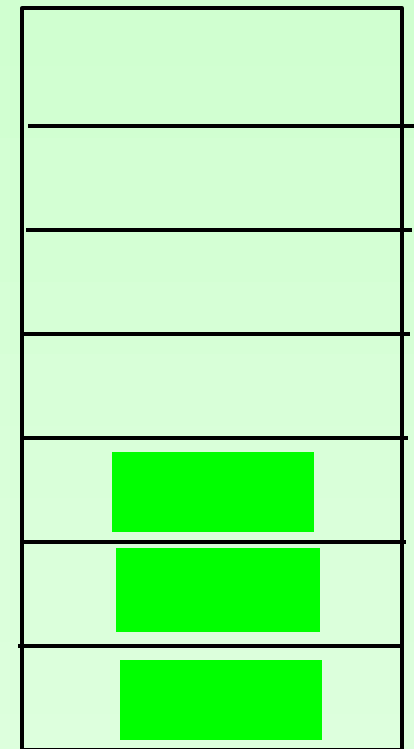
- if open bracket then *push onto stack*
- if close bracket, then
 - *topAndPop from the stack*
 - if doesn't match then *flag error*
- if non-bracket, *skip the char read*

Example

{ a , (b + f [4]) * 3 , d + f [5] }

↑ ↑ ↑ ↑ ↑ ↑ ↑ ↑ ↑

Bracket Matching



Stack

Code

Bracket Matching

```
public static boolean balanced() {
    Stack s = StackAr.makeStack();
    boolean failflag = false;
    while ((not end of line) && !failflag) do
        { read a new char ch
            if ((ch == '(') || (ch == '{') || (ch == '['))
                {s.push(new Character(ch));}
            else if ((ch == ')') || (ch == '}') || (ch == ']'))
                {if (s.isEmpty()) { failflag = true;
                    status = "No matching open brace"; }
                 else {d = (Character)s.topAndPop();
                     if !(match(ch,d.charValue()))
                         { failflag = true;
                           status="Wrong pair of matching brace";
                         }
                     }
                 }
            else { // do nothing }
        };
    if failflag return false;
    else {if (!s.isEmpty()) {status = "Too many open parentheses";
        return false; }
        else return true;};
};
```

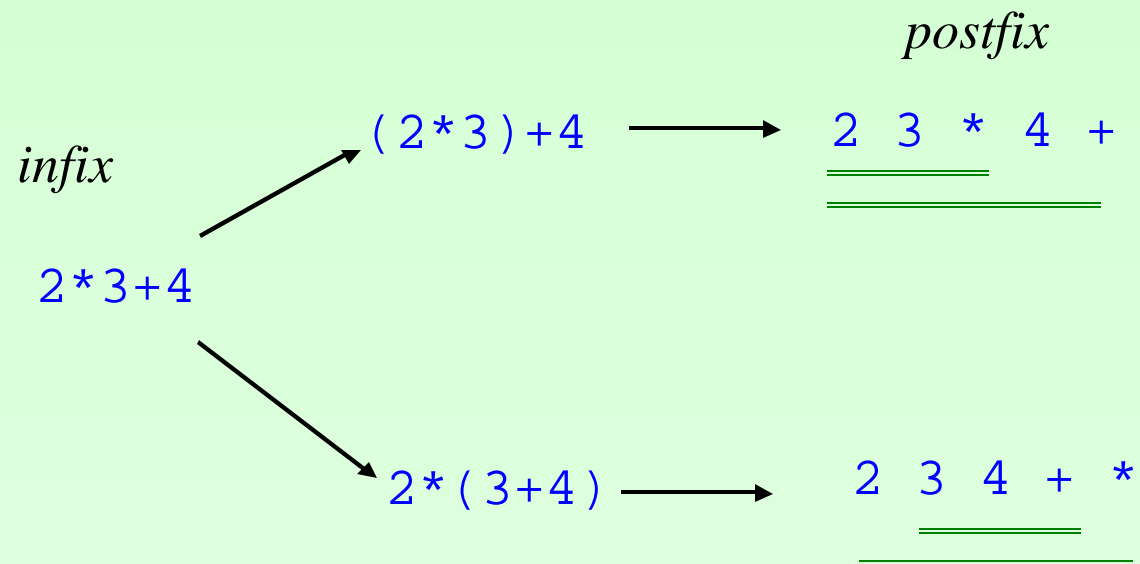
Postfix Calculator

Computation of arithmetic expressions can be efficiently carried out in Postfix notation with the help of a stack.

Infix - arg1 op arg2

Prefix - op arg1 arg2

Postfix - arg1 arg2 op



Informal Procedure

Postfix Calculator

Initialise stack
For each item read.
 If it is an operand,
 push on the stack
 If it is an operator,
 pop arguments from stack;
 perform operation;
 push result onto the stack

Expr

2

`s.push(2)`

3

`s.push(3)`

4

`s.push(4)`

+

`arg2=s.topAndPop()`

`arg1=s.topAndPop()`

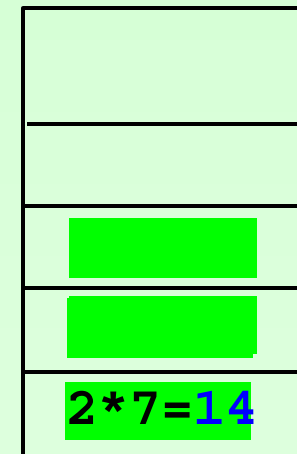
`s.push(arg1+arg2)`

*

`arg2=s.topAndPop()`

`arg1=s.topAndPop()`

`s.push(arg1*arg2)`



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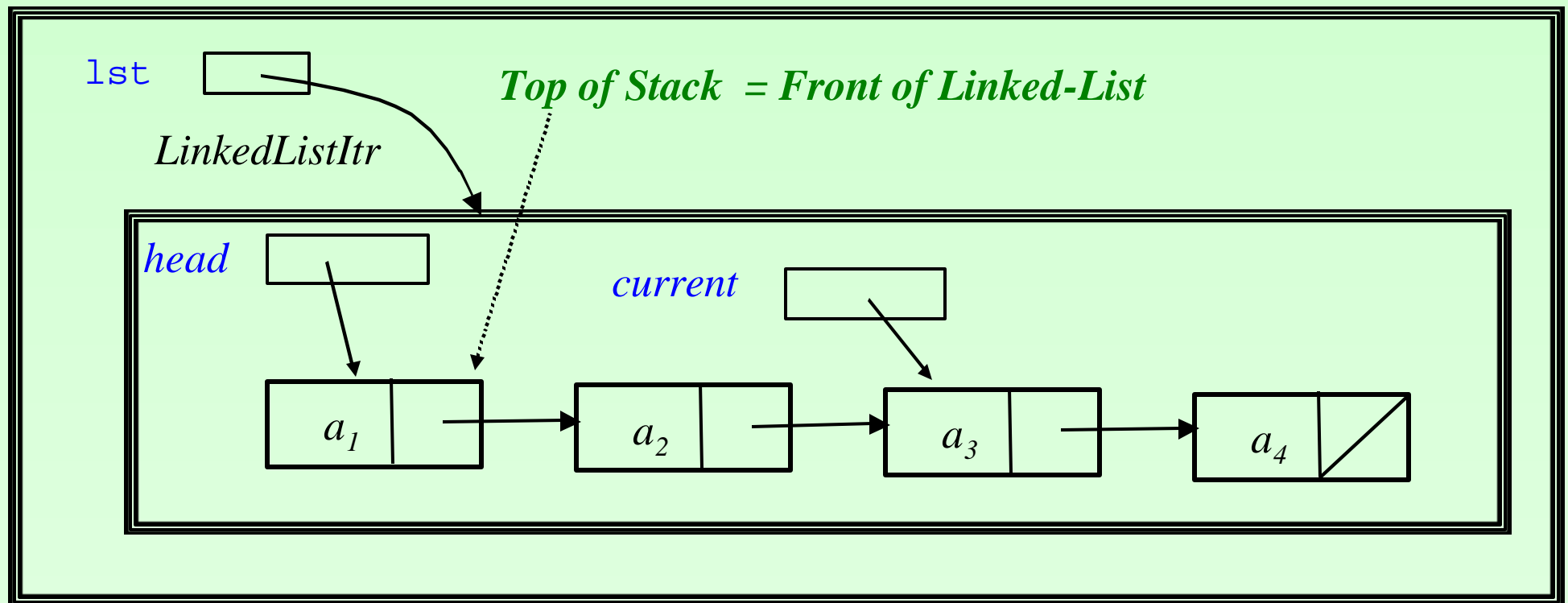
Postfix Calculator

```
Stack s = StackAr.makeStack();  
while (not end of line) do  
    { read a new item ch  
        if (isOperand(ch)) {s.push(valueof(ch));  
        else {   arg2 = (Integer) s.topAndPop() ;  
                arg1 = (Integer) s.topAndPop() ;  
                Integer res = compute(ch,arg1,arg2);  
                s.push(res);    };  
    };
```

Implementation of Stack (Linked-List)

Can use `LinkedListItr` as implementation of stack

StackLL



Code

Implementation of Stack (Linked-List)

```
Class StackLL implements Stack {  
  
    private LinkedListItr lst;  
  
    public StackLL() { lst = new LinkedListItr(); }  
  
    public Stack makeStack() { return new StackLL(); }  
  
    public boolean isEmpty()                                // return true if empty  
    { return lst.isEmpty(); };  
  
    public void push(Object o)                                // add o into the stack  
    { lst.addHead(o); }  
  
    public void pop() throws Underflow                        // remove most recent item  
    { try {lst.deleteHead();}  
      catch (ItemNotFound e)  
      {throw new Underflow("pop fails - empty stack");}  
    }  
}
```

Code

Implementation of Stack (Linked-List)

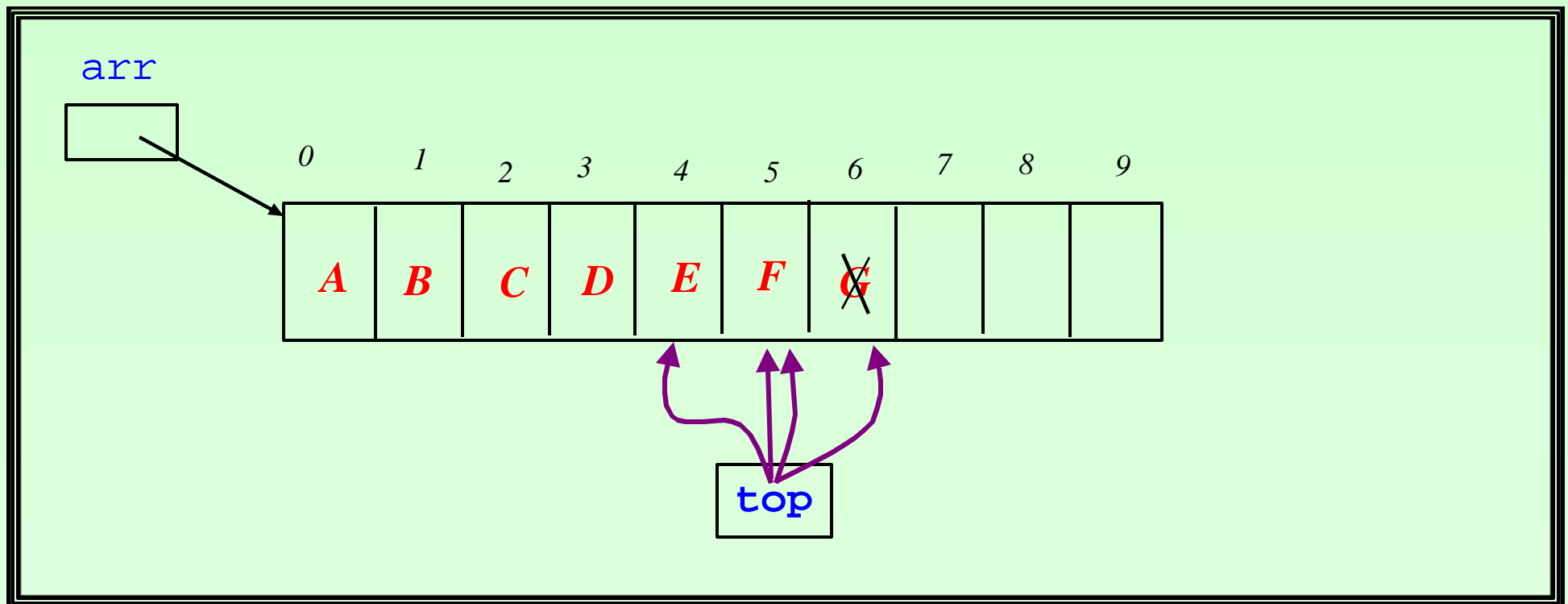
```
public Object top() throws Underflow;           // retrieve most recent item
{ try { lst.first();
    return lst.retrieve();
  } catch (ItemNotFound e)
    {throw new Underflow("top fails - empty stack");}
}

public Object topAndPop() throws Underflow;
                                     // return & remove most recent item
{ try { lst.first();
    Object p=lst.retrieve();
    lst.deleteHead();
    return p;
  } catch (ItemNotFound e)
    {throw new Underflow("topAndPop fails - empty stack");}
}
```

Implementation of Stack (Array)

Can use Array with a `top` index pointer as an implementation of stack

StackAr



Code

Implementation of Stack (Array)

```
class StackAr implements Stack {  
  
    private Object [] arr;  
    private int top;  
    private int maxSize;  
    private final int initSize = 1000;  
    private final int increment = 1000; } allows resizing  
of array  
  
    public StackAr() { arr = new Object[initSize];  
                        top = -1;  
                        maxSize=initSize }  
  
    public Stack makeStack() { return new StackAr(); }  
  
    public boolean isEmpty()  
    { return (top<0); }  
  
    private boolean isFull()  
    { return (top>=maxSize); }
```

Code

Implementation of Stack (Array)

```
public void push(Object o)           // insert o
{
    top++;
    if (this.isFull()) this.enlargeArr() ;
    arr[top]=o; }

private void enlargeArr()           // enlarge the array
{
    int newSize = maxSize+increment;
    Object [] barr = new Object[newSize];
    for (int j=0;j<maxSize;j++) {barr[j]=arr[j];};
    maxSize = newSize;   arr = barr;
}
```

Code

Implementation of Stack (Array)

```
public void pop() throws Underflow
{ if (!this.isEmpty()) {top--;}
  else {throw new Underflow("pop fails - empty stack");};
}

public Object top() throws Underflow
{ if (!this.isEmpty()) {return arr[top];}
  else {throw new Underflow("top fails - empty stack");};
}

public Object topAndPop() throws Underflow
{ if (!this.isEmpty()) { Object t = arr[top];
                        top--;
                        return t;
                        };
  else {throw new Underflow("top&pop fails - empty stack");};
}
```