

Stack Recitation

In this recitation we will be working to implement a Stack Abstract Data Type (ADT) and using a Stack to solve a symbol matching problem.

Part 1

Create the following generic interface `IStack.java`

```
public interface IStack<T>
{
    // adds the T parameter to the top of the stack
    public void push(T val);

    // removes and returns the top element of the stack
    // throws an EmptyStackException if there are 0 elements
    public T pop();

    // returns the top element of the stack
    // throws an EmptyStackException if there are 0 elements
    public T peek();

    // returns the current number of elements stored in the Stack
    public int size();
}
```

Part 2

Complete the Stack class that implements the IStack Interface. This stack should use generics to store any valid type in the Stack. For example, we could create a Stack that stores Integers or Strings.

```
...
Stack<Integer> iStack = new Stack<>();
Stack<String> sStack = new Stack<>();
...
```

Features

1. The Stack internally is implemented using a simplified singly linked list of `Node` objects. For this we will define a private inner class in `Stack.java`

```
private class Node
{
    T val;
    Node next;
}
```

A `Node` consists of the a value of type `T` (the data being stored in the Stack) and a reference to the next `Node` in the list.

2. Push

Should create a new `Node` and store the function parameter into the `Node's val`. Then "link" the new node as the new head of the list

3. Pop

Should "unlink" the first node of the list (the head node) and return its value. If there are no elements in the Stack, throw an EmptyStackException

4. Peek

Should return the value of the first node of the list (the head node). If there are no elements in the Stack, throw an EmptyStackException

5. Size

Should return the current size (number of elements) of the Stack.

Starter Code

```
import java.util.EmptyStackException;

public class Stack<T> implements IStack<T>
{
    // Inner class to represent a Node in the Stack
    private class Node
    {
        T val;
        Node next;
    }

    private Node head;
    // Add any other variables as needed

    // Your Code here
}
```

Part 3

Write a program (**MatchingSymbols**) that reads a string from standard input and prints **valid** if there are matching close symbols for each open symbol or **invalid** otherwise. Your implementation should correctly determine valid strings with nested symbols as well.

Your program only needs to handle the following symbols:

1. Open symbols: ({[<
2. Close symbols:)}]>

A string is valid if there is a matching close symbol for each open symbol.

For example, {abcd}, is valid because there is one '}' for the opening '{'.

Other valid strings include:

- {123[456]}
- ()()()(){[[[[]]]]}
- abcdef(g)

A string is invalid if there is not a matching close symbol for each open symbol or there are too many open symbols.

For example, (() is invalid since the first '(' has no matching ')'

Other invalid strings include:

- (asd>
- [[]]
- asdasdasdasd}
- {

Hint: Use a stack to keep track of the open symbols in the string, when you find a close symbol, look at the top symbol in the stack to check if it is the corresponding open symbol.

Sample Output (Valid)

```
$ java MatchingSymbols
input: <123<456>>
valid
```

Sample Output (Invalid)

```
$ java MatchingSymbols
input: (asd>
invalid
```