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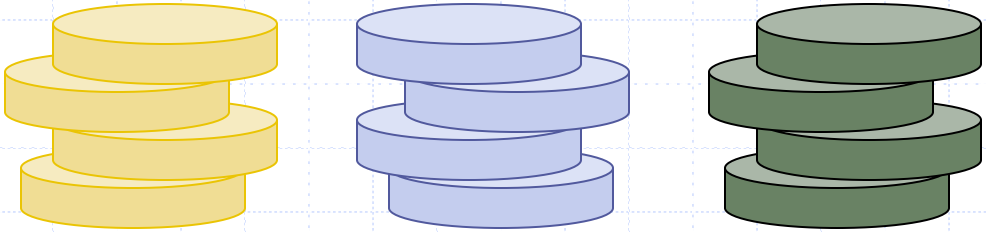
Stacks

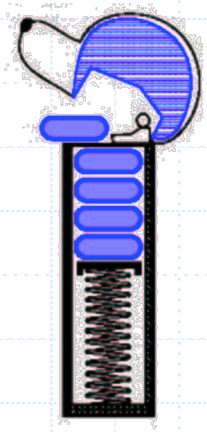


Abstract Data Types (ADTs)

- 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

The Stack ADT

- The Stack ADT stores arbitrary objects
- Insertions and deletions follow the last-in first-out scheme
- Think of a spring-loaded plate dispenser
- Main stack operations:
  - push(object): inserts an element
  - object pop(): removes and returns the last inserted element



- Auxiliary stack operations:
  - object top(): returns the last inserted element without removing it
  - integer size(): returns the number of elements stored
  - boolean isEmpty(): indicates whether no elements are stored

Stack Interface in Java

- Java interface corresponding to our Stack ADT
- Assumes null is returned from top() and pop() when stack is empty
- Different from the built-in Java class java.util.Stack

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

Example

Method	Return Value	Stack Contents
push(5)	–	(5)
push(3)	–	(5, 3)
size()	2	(5, 3)
pop()	3	(5)
isEmpty()	false	(5)
pop()	5	()
isEmpty()	true	()
pop()	null	()
push(7)	–	(7)
push(9)	–	(7, 9)
top()	9	(7, 9)
push(4)	–	(7, 9, 4)
size()	3	(7, 9, 4)
pop()	4	(7, 9)
push(6)	–	(7, 9, 6)
push(8)	–	(7, 9, 6, 8)
pop()	8	(7, 9, 6)

Exceptions vs. Returning Null

- Attempting the execution of an operation of an ADT may sometimes cause an error condition
- Java supports a general abstraction for errors, called exception
- An exception is said to be "thrown" by an operation that cannot be properly executed
- In our Stack ADT, we do not use exceptions
- Instead, we allow operations pop and top to be performed even if the stack is empty
- For an empty stack, pop and top simply return null

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

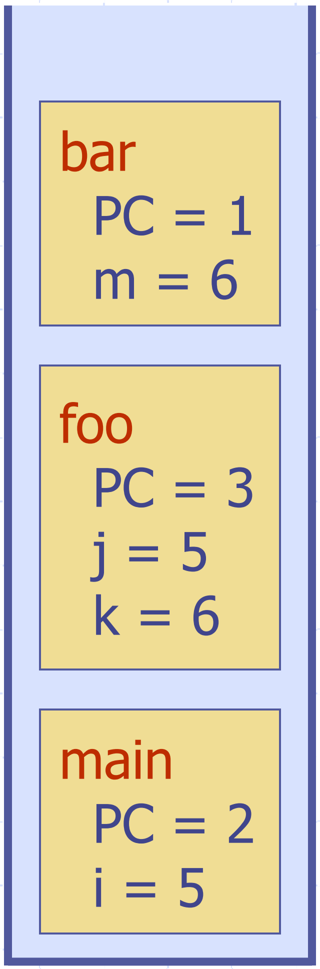
Method Stack in the JVM

- 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) {
   …
   }
```

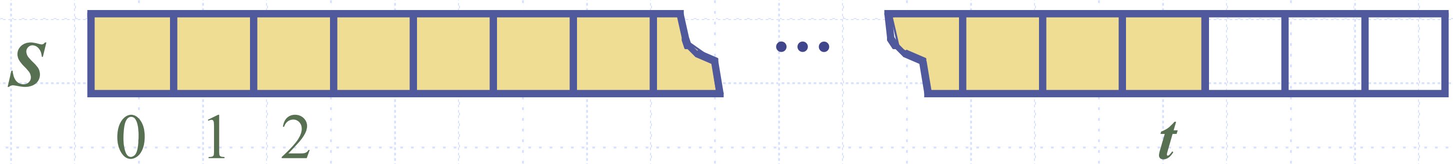


Array-based Stack

- 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 $t + 1$

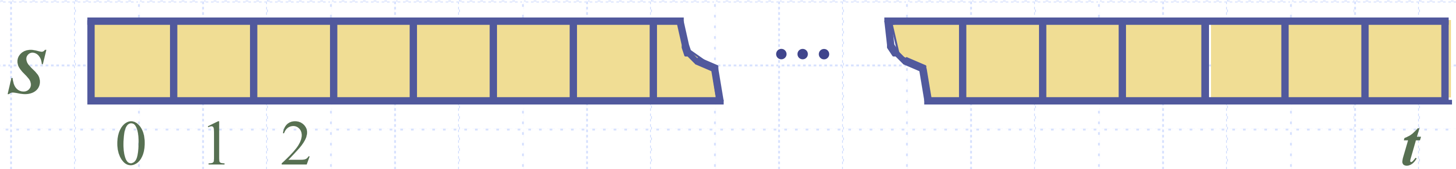
Algorithm *pop*()
  if *isEmpty*() **then**
    return null
  else
    $t \leftarrow t - 1$
    return $S[t + 1]$



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 *IllegalStateException*
  else
    $t \leftarrow t + 1$
    $S[t] \leftarrow o$



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 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() {
      if isEmpty()
            return null;
        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: (

Parenthesis Matching (Java)

```
public static boolean isMatched(String expression) {
  final String opening = "({["; // opening delimiters
  final String closing = ")}]"; // respective closing delimiters
  Stack<Character> buffer = new LinkedStack<>( );
  for (char c : expression.toCharArray( )) {
    if (opening.indexOf(c) != −1) // this is a left delimiter
      buffer.push(c);
    else if (closing.indexOf(c) != −1) { // this is a right delimiter
      if (buffer.isEmpty( )) // nothing to match with
        return false;
      if (closing.indexOf(c) != opening.indexOf(buffer.pop( )))
        return false; // mismatched delimiter
    }
  }
  return buffer.isEmpty( ); // were all opening delimiters matched?
}
```

HTML Tag Matching

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

```html
<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?

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HTML Tag Matching (Java)

```
public static boolean isHTMLMatched(String html) {
  Stack<String> buffer =  new LinkedStack<>( );
  int j = html.indexOf('<'); // find first ’<’ character (if any)
  while (j != −1) {
    int k = html.indexOf('>', j+1); // find next ’>’ character
    if (k == −1)
      return false; // invalid tag
    String tag = html.substring(j+1, k); // strip away < >
    if (!tag.startsWith("/")) // this is an opening tag
      buffer.push(tag);
    else { // this is a closing tag
      if (buffer.isEmpty( ))
        return false; // no tag to match
      if (!tag.substring(1).equals(buffer.pop( )))
        return false; // mismatched tag
    }
    j = html.indexOf('<', k+1); // find next ’<’ character (if any)
  }
  return buffer.isEmpty( ); // were all opening tags matched?
}
```

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.

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Algorithm for Evaluating Expressions

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Two stakcs:

- 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()
```

Algorithm on an Example Expression

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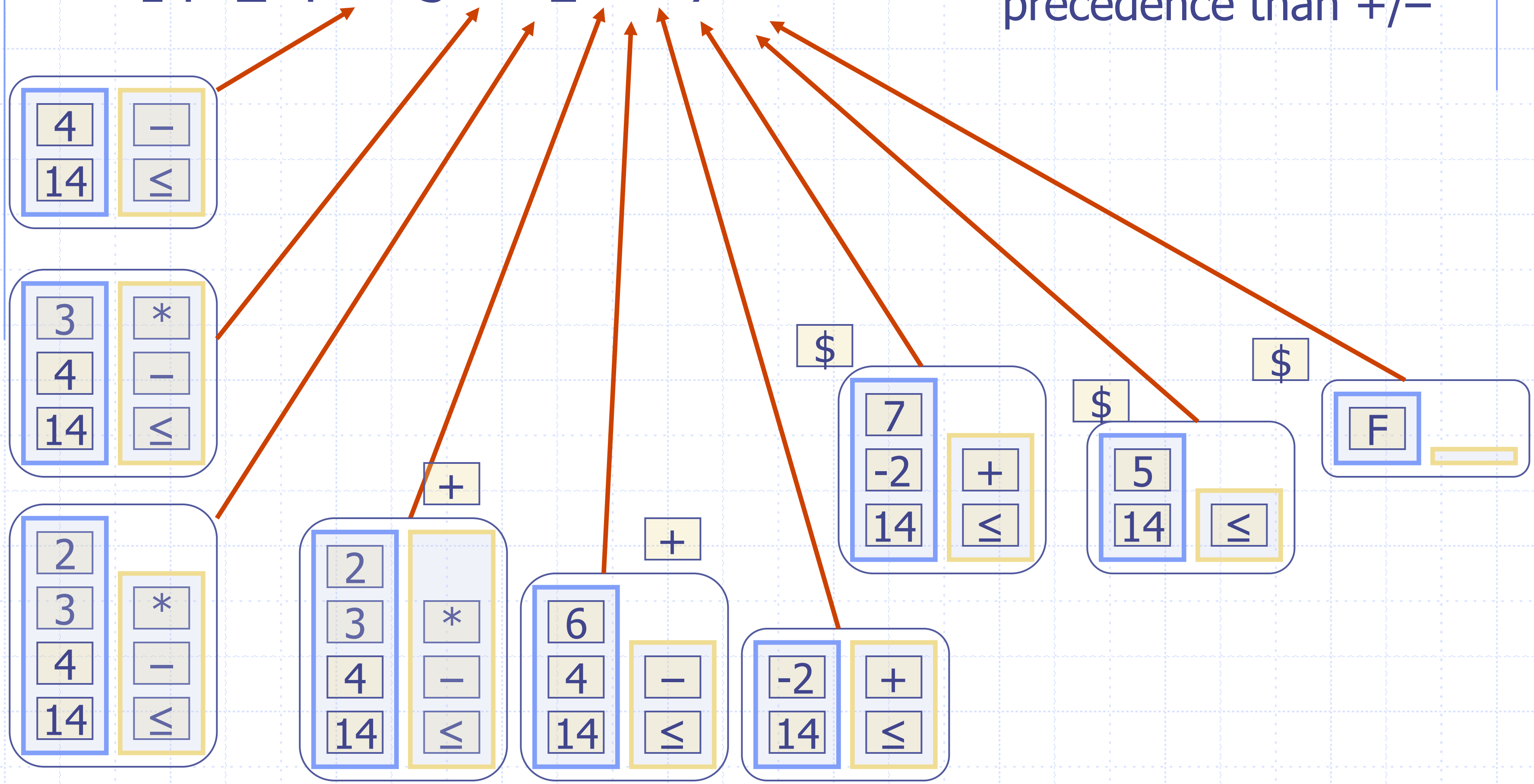
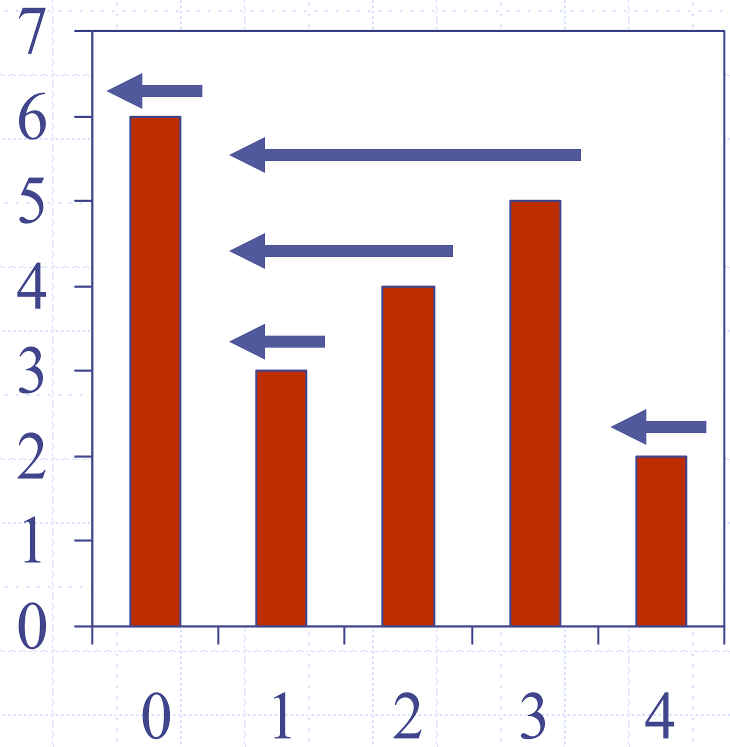
$14 \leq 4 - 3 * 2 + 7$

Operator ≤ has lower precedence than +/–



Computing Spans (not in book)

- Using a stack as an auxiliary data structure in an algorithm
- Given an 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 $X[j] \le X[i]$
- 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

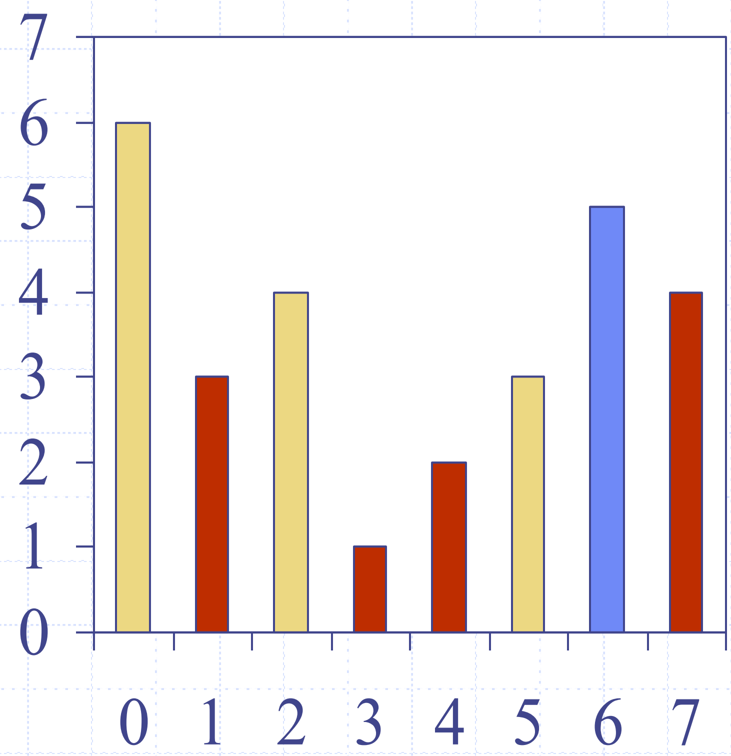
Quadratic Algorithm

Algorithm *spans1*(X, n)	
Input array X of n integers	
Output array S of spans of X	**#**
$S \leftarrow$ new array of n integers	n
for $i \leftarrow 0$ **to** $n - 1$ **do**	n
$s \leftarrow 1$	n
while $s \leq i \wedge X[i - s] \leq X[i]$	$1 + 2 + \ldots + (n - 1)$
$s \leftarrow s + 1$	$1 + 2 + \ldots + (n - 1)$
$S[i] \leftarrow s$	n
return S	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 x onto the stack



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Linear Time 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 *spans2*(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