

Two Stack in an Array

Algorithm:

S1 : Maintain two pointers for both the stack top_1 and top_2 element.

top_1 for Stack1 (start from 0 index)
 top_2 for Stack2 (start from $n-1$ index)

S2 : Since stack cannot overlap in one single array, we will have to see whether $\text{top}_1 < \text{top}_2$.

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void push1(int x) {
    if( top1 < (top2 - 1) )
        top1++;
    arr[top1] = x;
}
else {
    cout << "Stack1 Overflow ";
    exit(0);
}
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Code: (C++)

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#include <iostream>
#include <stdlib.h>

class twoStack {

int *arr;
int size;
int top1, top2;

public:

twoStacks(int n)
{
 size = n;
 arr = new int[n];
 top1 = -1;
 top2 = n-1;
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int x = arr[top1];
top1++; //decrement
return x;

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else {
    cout << "stack1 underflow";
    exit(0);
}
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int pop2() {
    if (top2 <= (size - 1)) {
        int x = arr[top2];
        top2++; // increment
        return x;
    }
}
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else {
    cout << "stack2 underflow";
    exit(0);
}
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int main() {
    twoStack ts(5);
    ts.push1(5);
    ts.push1(10);
    ts.push1(15);
    ts.push2(11);
    ts.push2(17);
    ts.push2(7);
    cout << "Popped element from stack1: " << ts.pop1();
    cout << "Popped element from stack2: " << ts.pop2();
    return 0;
}
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Output:

Popped element from stack1: 15
Popped element from stack2: 7

Complexities:

Time : $O(1)$ \rightarrow for both push and pop
Space : $O(n) \rightarrow$ where n is array size.