



LECTURE 2: LISTS, STACKS, AND QUEUES

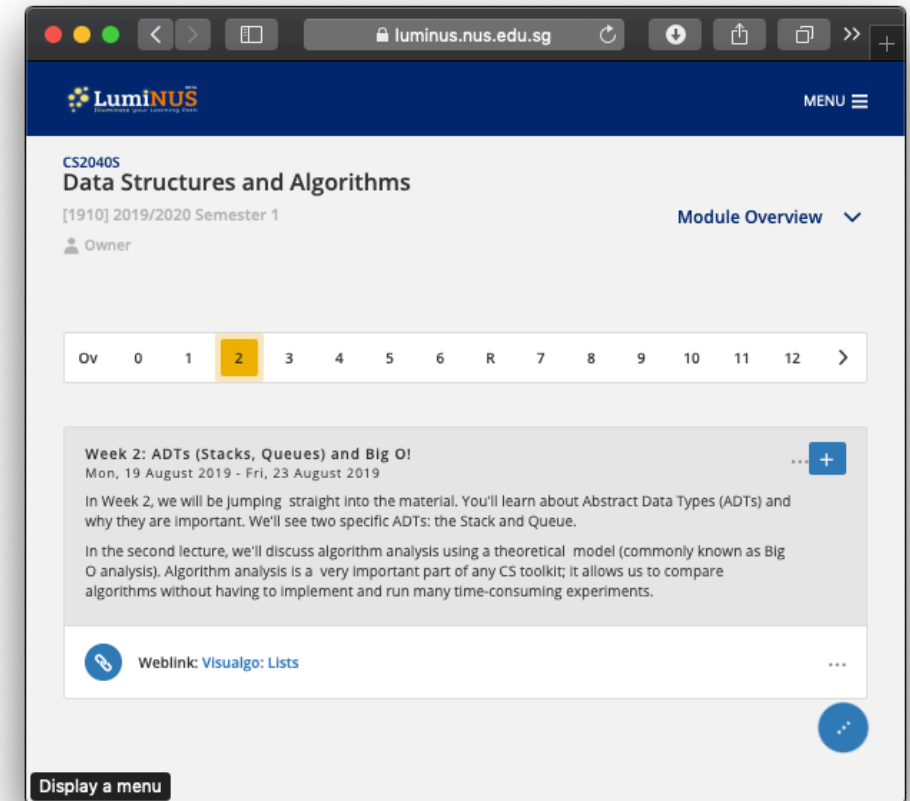
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ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUES

87 registered students.

The slides from Lecture 1 and the Java Quickstart are now online on Piazza and Luminus.

Lecture 2 (today) and 3 (tomorrow) will be up



PROBLEM SET 0

Ungraded Problem Set

- Getting started with Java and Kattis

Problem Set 1 will be released on Monday 26th Aug 2019.

Assignments will be released Monday and due in 2 weeks.

Late assignments will be penalized.

Start

2019-08-08 00:00 UTC

End

2019-09-06 04:00 UTC

Time elapsed

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Problem Set 0

Problems

	NAME	SOLVED / TRIES	AVERAGE TRIES	AVERAGE TRIES TO SOLVE
A	Hello World!	20/21 (95%)	1.05	1.05
B	Autori	18/18 (100%)	1.00	1.00
C	Judging Moose	17/30 (57%)	1.67	1.71
D	Statistics	15/24 (62%)	1.60	1.60
E	A Different Problem	15/20 (75%)	1.33	1.33
F	Treasure Hunt	8/26 (31%)	2.60	2.75
G	A Prize No One Can Win	8/25 (32%)	3.12	3.12
H	Sort of Sorting	9/18 (50%)	1.50	1.22
I	Guessing Game	5/14 (36%)	2.80	2.80

QUESTIONS?



LEARNING OUTCOMES

By the end of this session, students should be able to:

- explain the **Linked List** Data Structure
- describe what is an **Abstract Data Type** (ADT)
- describe the **difference between ADTs and Data Structures** (DSes) and their relationship
- explain the **Stack** and **Queue** ADT



DID YOU REVIEW VISUALGO?

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Code Response

E.g.

ad6 A

FAIL

PEERQ CODE: ad6

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Or via a browser:

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TIME TO MOVE ON TO ... ARCHIPELAGO



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(Secretly hoping for links!)

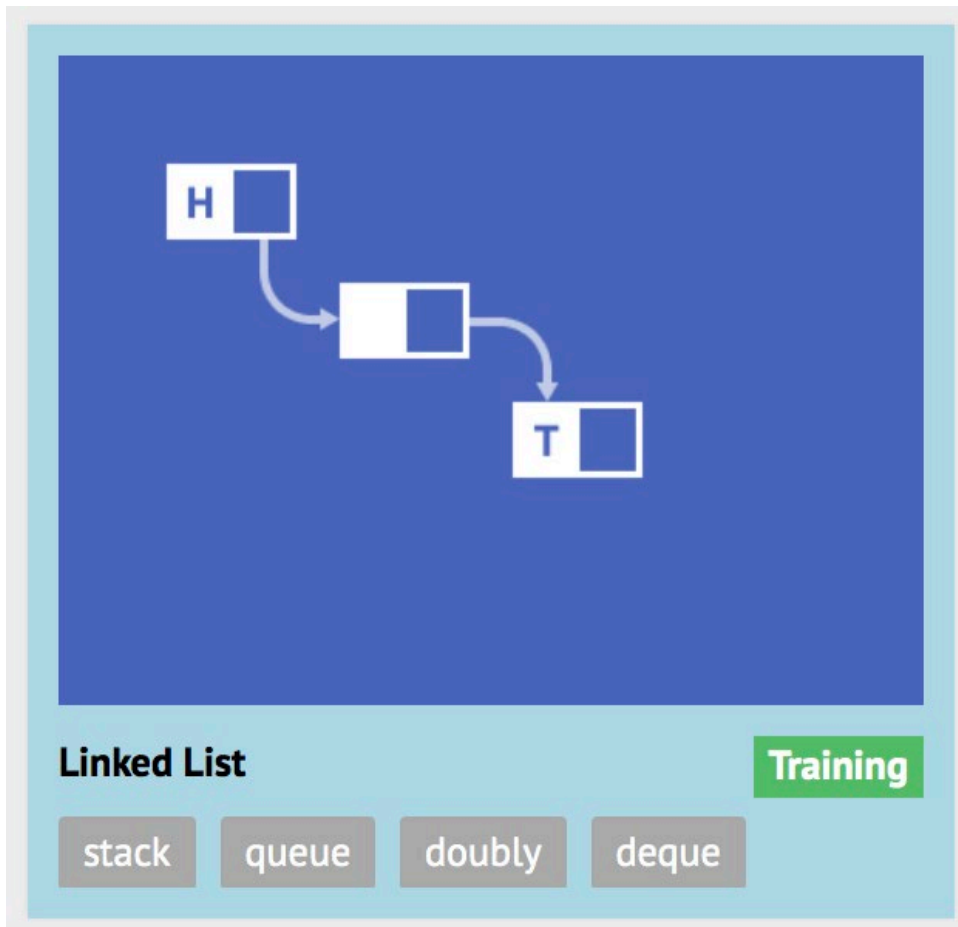
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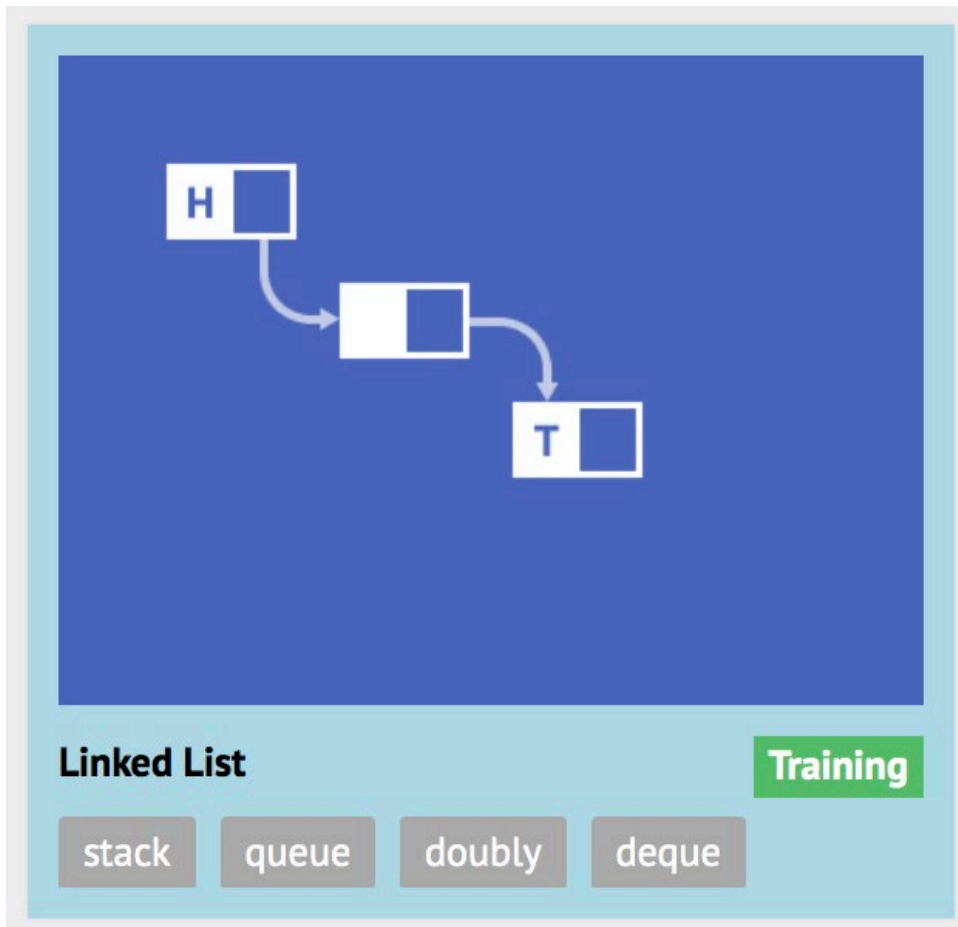
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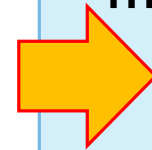


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REVISION: LINKED LIST DATA STRUCTURE

On to Visualgo!

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Search...

Do You Know?

Next Random Tip

Search the term 'algorithm visualization' in your favorite Search Engine, do you see VisuAlgo in the first page of the search result :)? Next level: Search that term again, but in your native language (if it is not English). Is VisuAlgo still listed in the first page? :). And get ready to be surprised: Search the name of your favorite data structure or algorithm without mentioning the keyword 'animation' or 'visualization'. Is VisuAlgo still listed in the first page? :)).

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Training

Linked List



LINKED LIST V.S. ARRAYS

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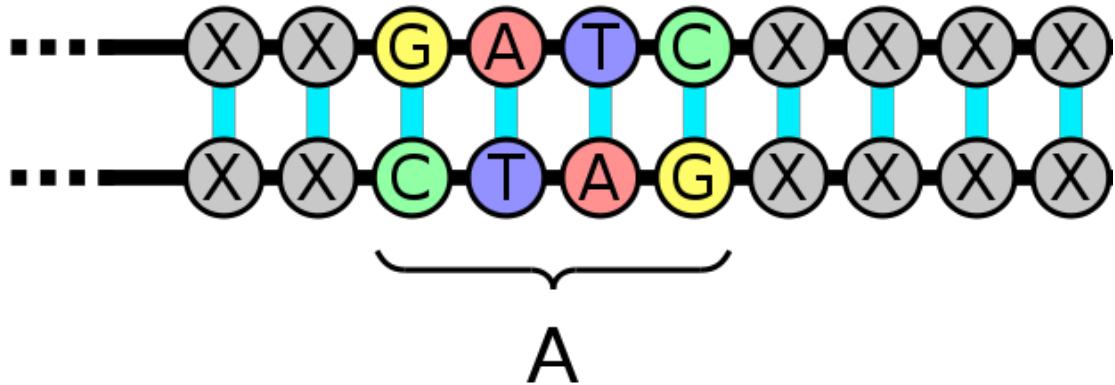
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Remove(Node)	~	$O(1)$

PROBLEM: DNA PALINDROMES

Consider the alphabets for a particular DNA sequence is stored as a singly linked list.



palindrome

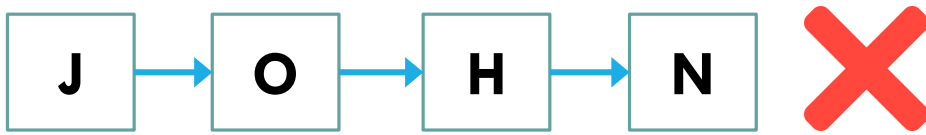
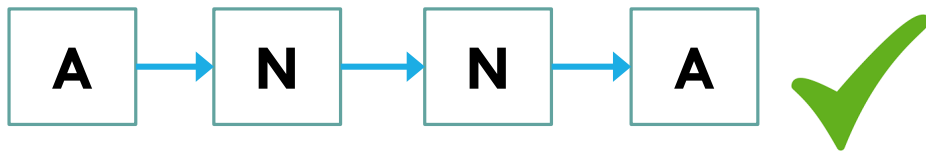
noun

a word, phrase, or sequence that reads the same backwards as forwards, e.g.

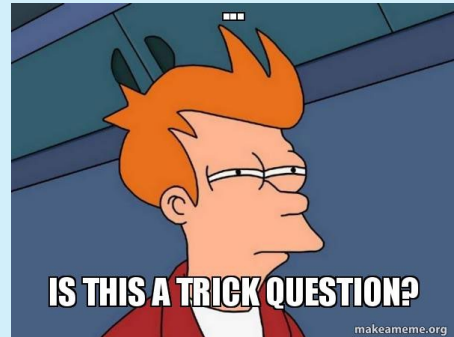
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- *anna*
- ACTGGTCA



PROBLEM: DETECTING PALINDROMES



How many operations do we need to discover if the data in a singly linked list is a palindrome?

- A. $\sim cN$ operations
- B. $\sim cN^2$ operations
- C. $\sim c2^N$ operations
- D. 

Think

What is the most obvious way to solve the problem?

Focus on

First focus on **correctness**.
Then **efficiency**.

Ask

Ask yourself:

- What operations are required?
- What data structures do those operations well?
- Is the data completely random (e.g., unsorted?) or is there structure I can leverage?

Improve

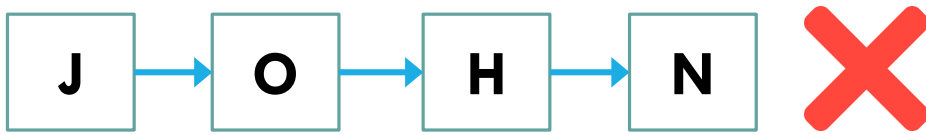
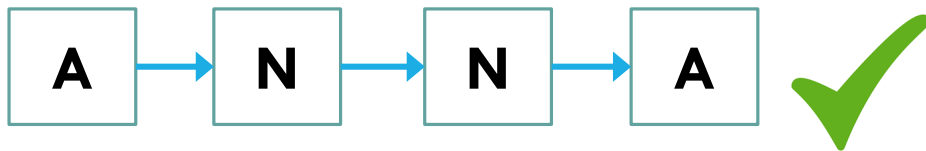
Improve your solution.

- How can I make this faster?
- What are my assumptions?
- Does divide and conquer work?

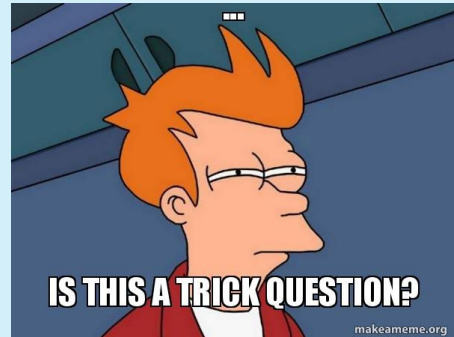
GENERAL STRATEGY



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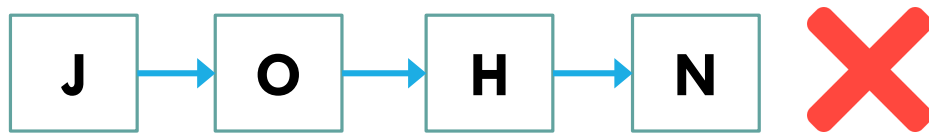
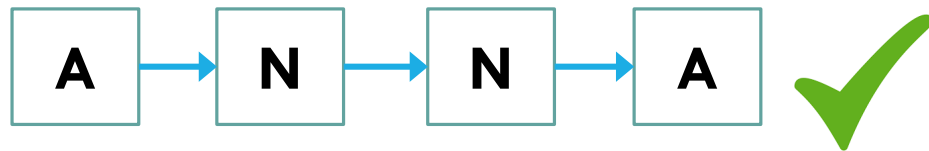


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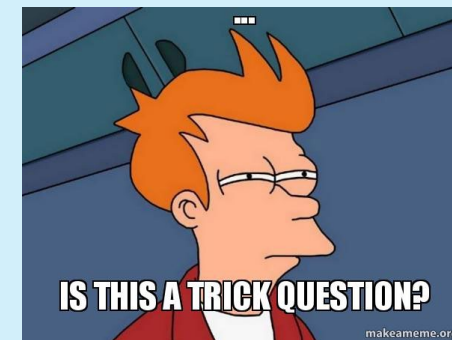


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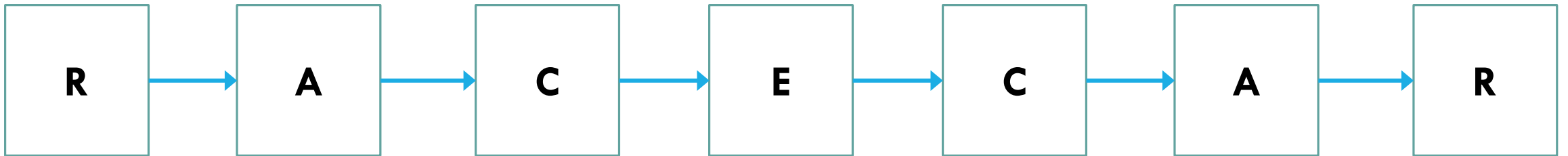
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THE N^2 SOLUTION

For each element at the k th index, iterate to the $(N - (k + 1))$ th element and compare.



FASTER: USE AN ARRAY AS A BUFFER

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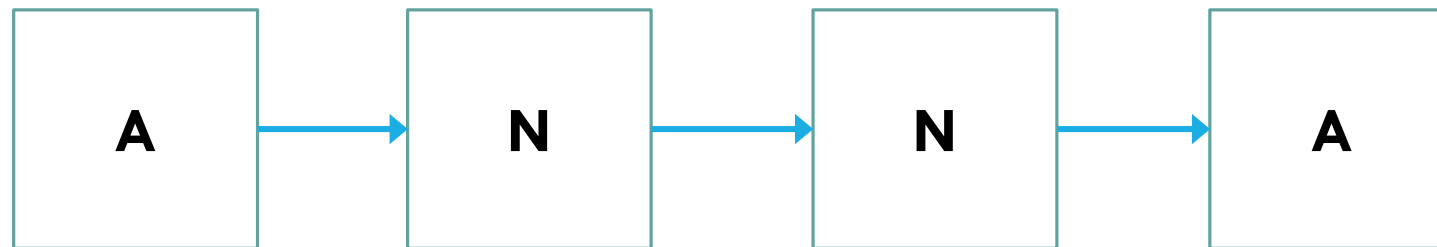
Can we do **constant space** and **$\sim cN$ operations**?

(let's hold off for now)



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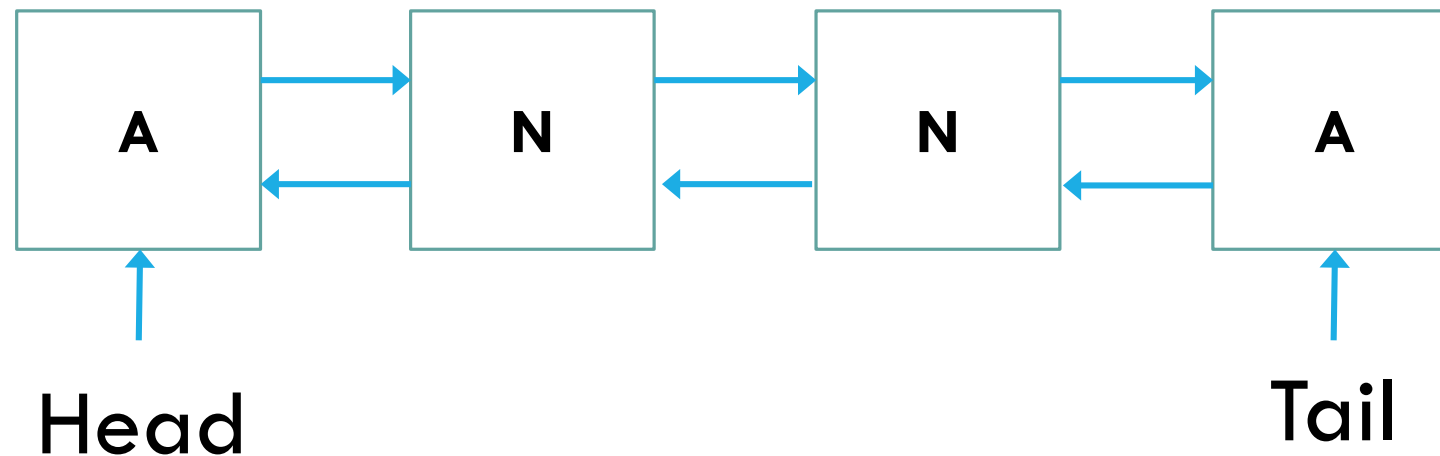
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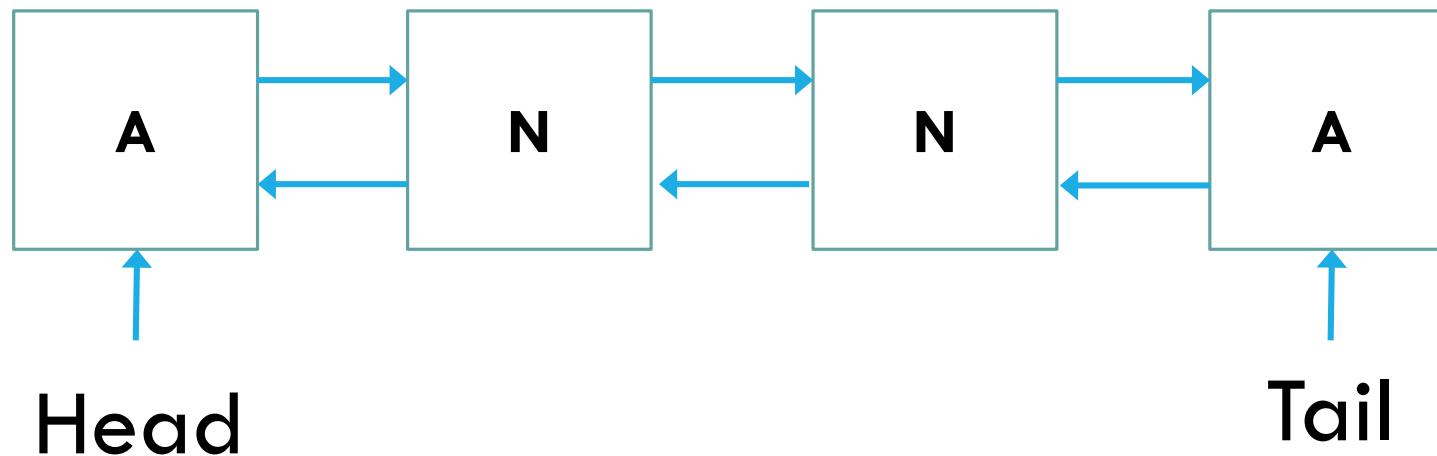




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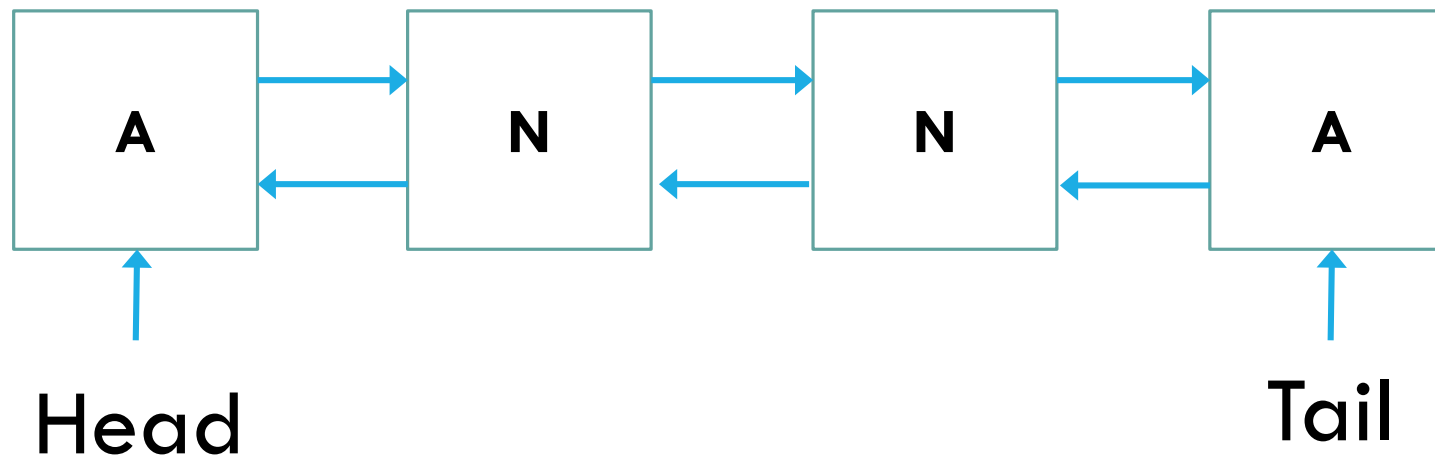
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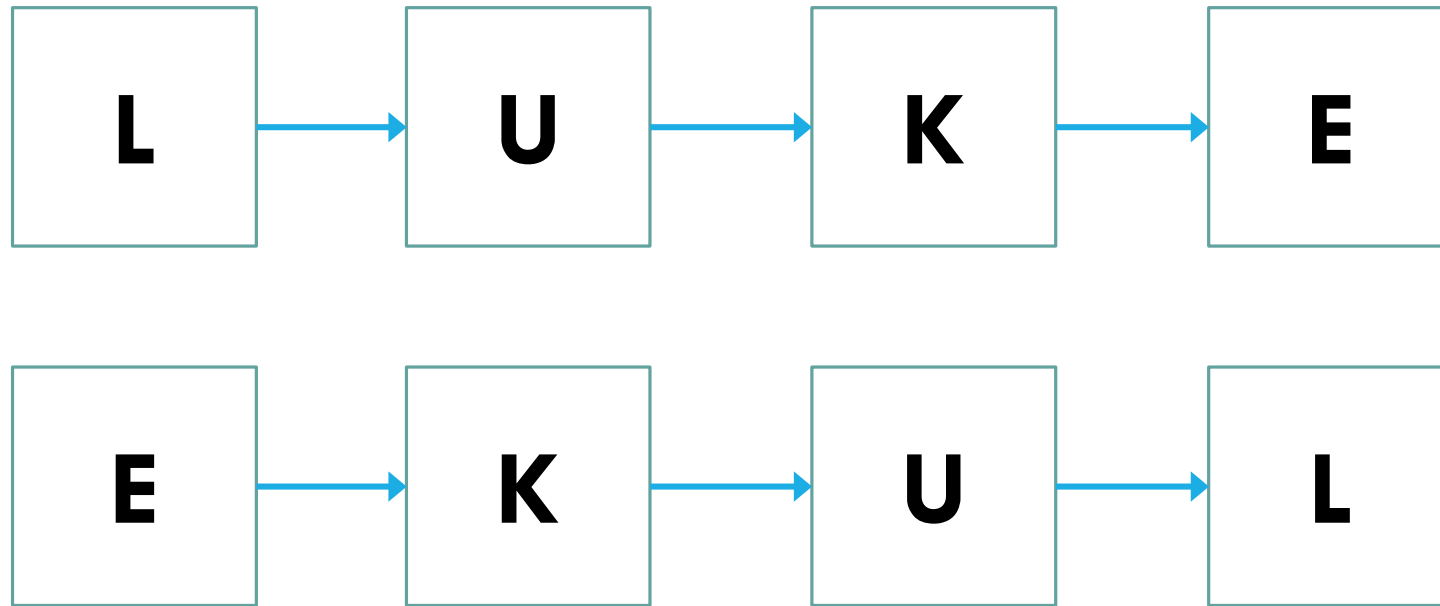
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Why?





PROBLEM: REVERSE A SINGLY LINKED LIST



Recursive solution?

PROBLEM: RECURSIVE LIST REVERSAL



RECURSIVE SOLUTION TO REVERSING LISTS

```
function reverseList(Node head)
    if head is null or head.next is null
        return head
    new_head = reverseList(head.next)
    head.next.next = head
    head.next = null
    return new_head
```

Can we do **constant**
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operations?

TAKE AWAYS

You can sometimes trade memory for computation time.

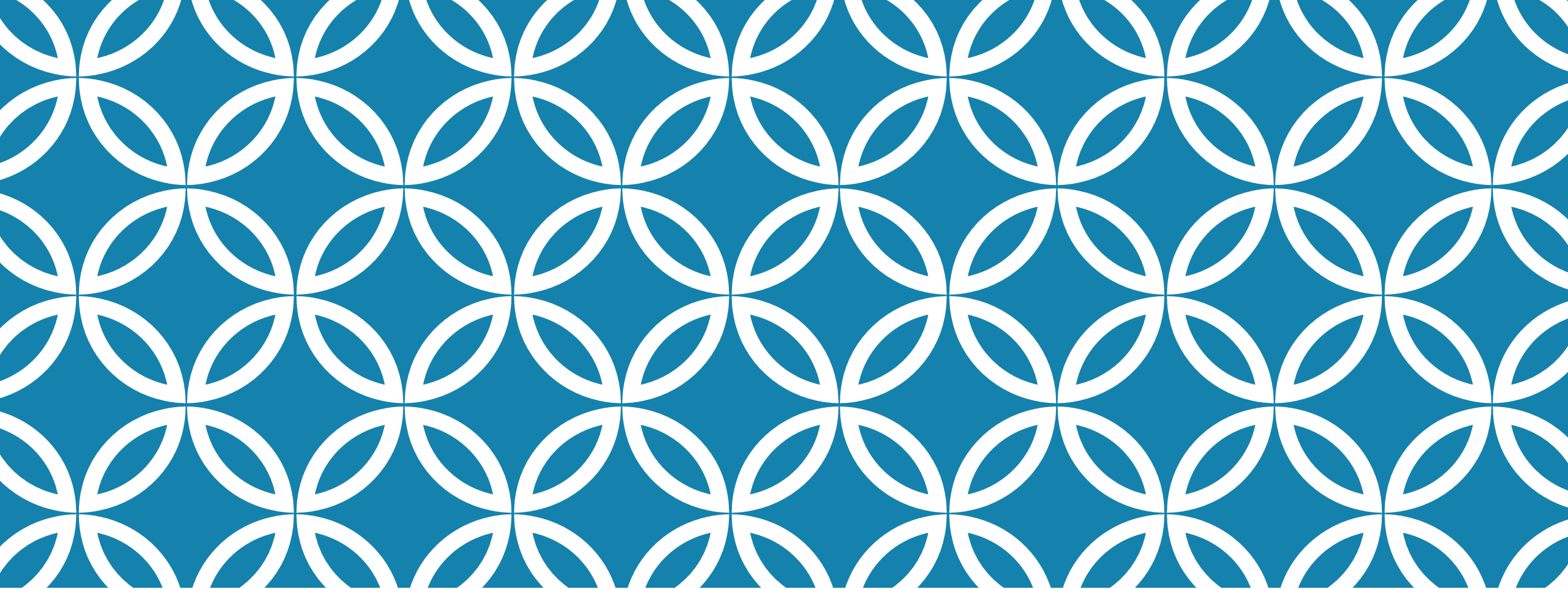
If a given data structure doesn't work for your problem,
Change it!

We can operate recursively on data structures.



QUESTIONS?





PART 2: ABSTRACT DATA TYPES

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PROBLEM: NARUTO THE NEW HIRE

Description of Naruto:

- “Nice guy!”
- “Really likes bananas!”
- “Not the smartest fellow... but friendly!”
- “I’m afraid he’s going to \$^%& up our code, man!”





WHAT SHOULD WE DO?

We want to welcome Naruto to our team.

He wants to contribute.

We want him to contribute.

But we don't want him to wreck our software.

- A. Give him some pointless work...
- B. The forest is nearby...
- C. Monkeys taste pretty good...
- D. All of the above!
- E. None of the above!



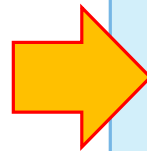
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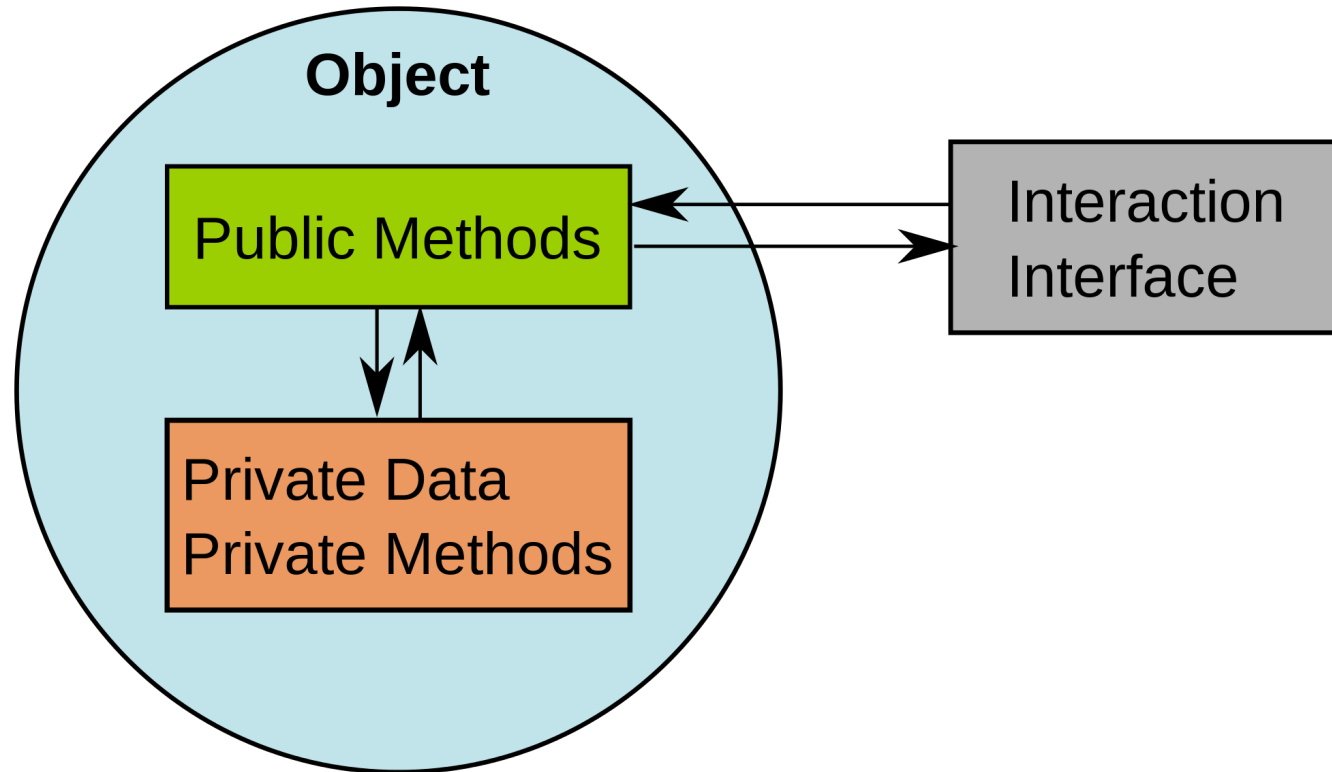
Remove all unnecessary elements

- What Naruto Needs-to-Know? **Expose!**
- What Naruto doesn't Need-to-Know? **Hide!**

Keep things simple!

ENCAPSULATION AND INFORMATION HIDING

Implementer



[Image from Wikipedia commons]

User



ABSTRACT DATA TYPES (ADTs)

Define **behavior**, *not* internal operation.

Interface SimpleStore

add(x)

- **Description:** adds x to the stored items.
- **Pre:** x is the item to be added
- **Post:** x is added to the store
- **Computational cost:**
 - takes constant time
 - adds constant space (memory).

V.S.

Class SimpleStore

add(x)

- adds x to the stored items.
- if arr has already reached its current maximum size,
 - create a new temporary array
 - copy the original array over
 - add the x
 - update the end marker
- and so on

JAVA INTERFACE EXAMPLE

```
interface List {  
    void add(int index, Object element);  
    Object get(int index);  
    Object set(int index, Object element);  
    Object remove(int index);  
}
```

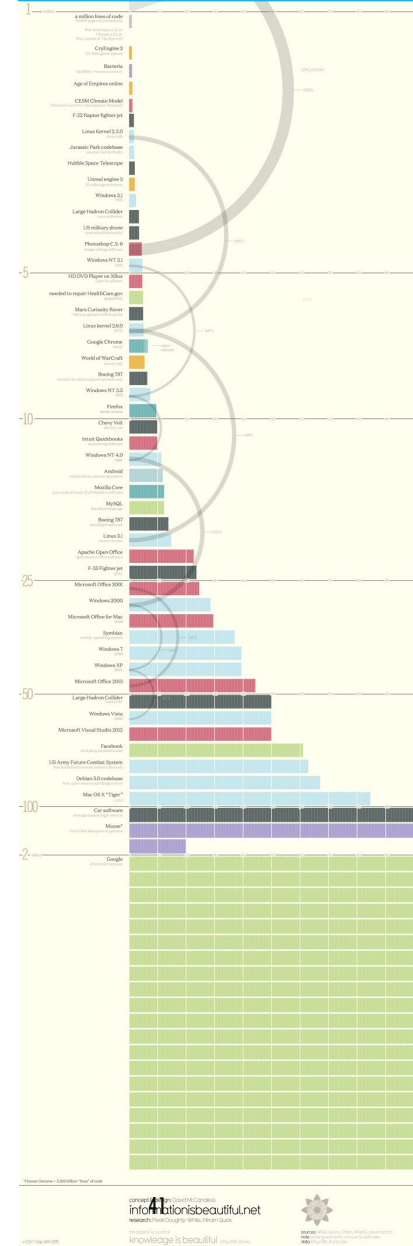
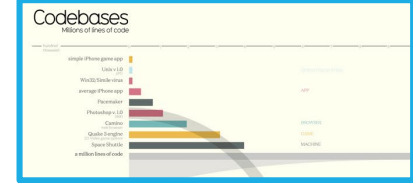
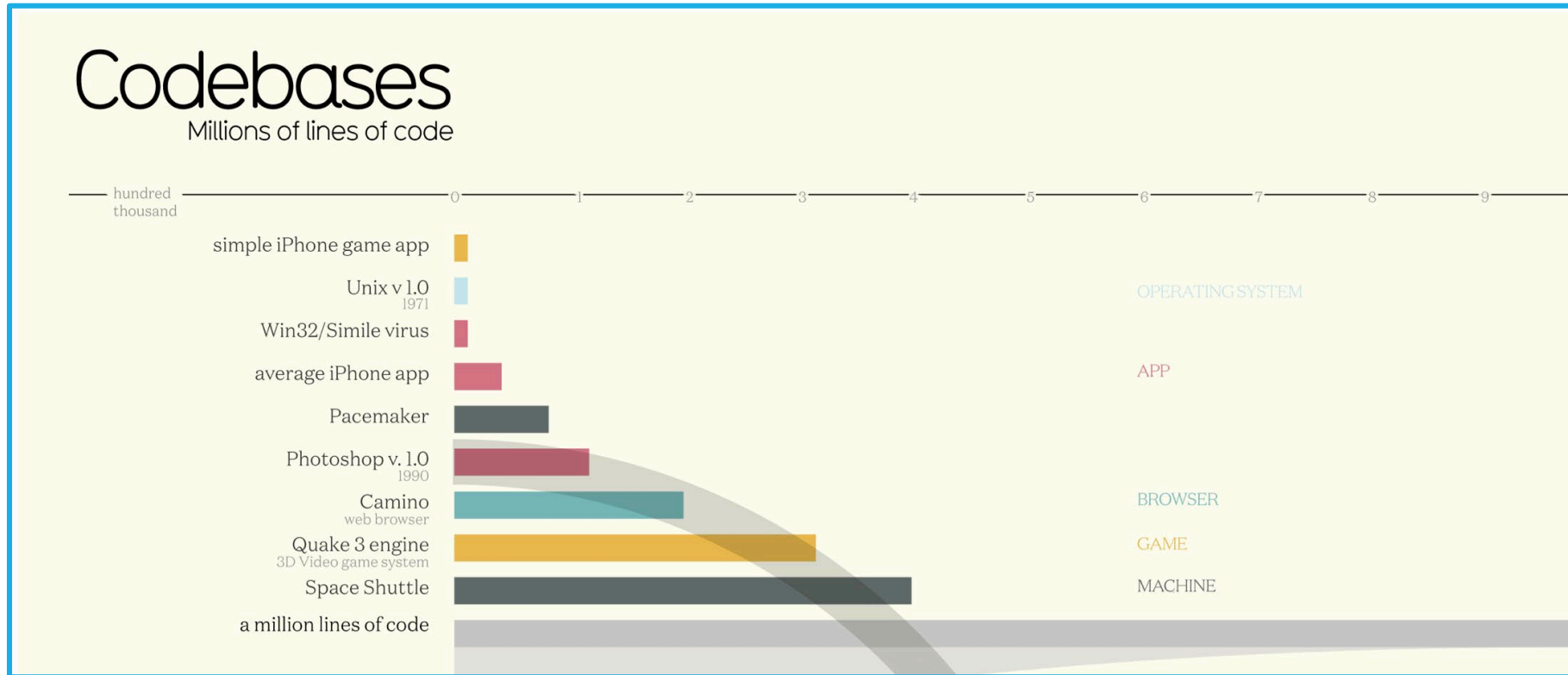

CLAIM: WE ARE ALL NARUTO!



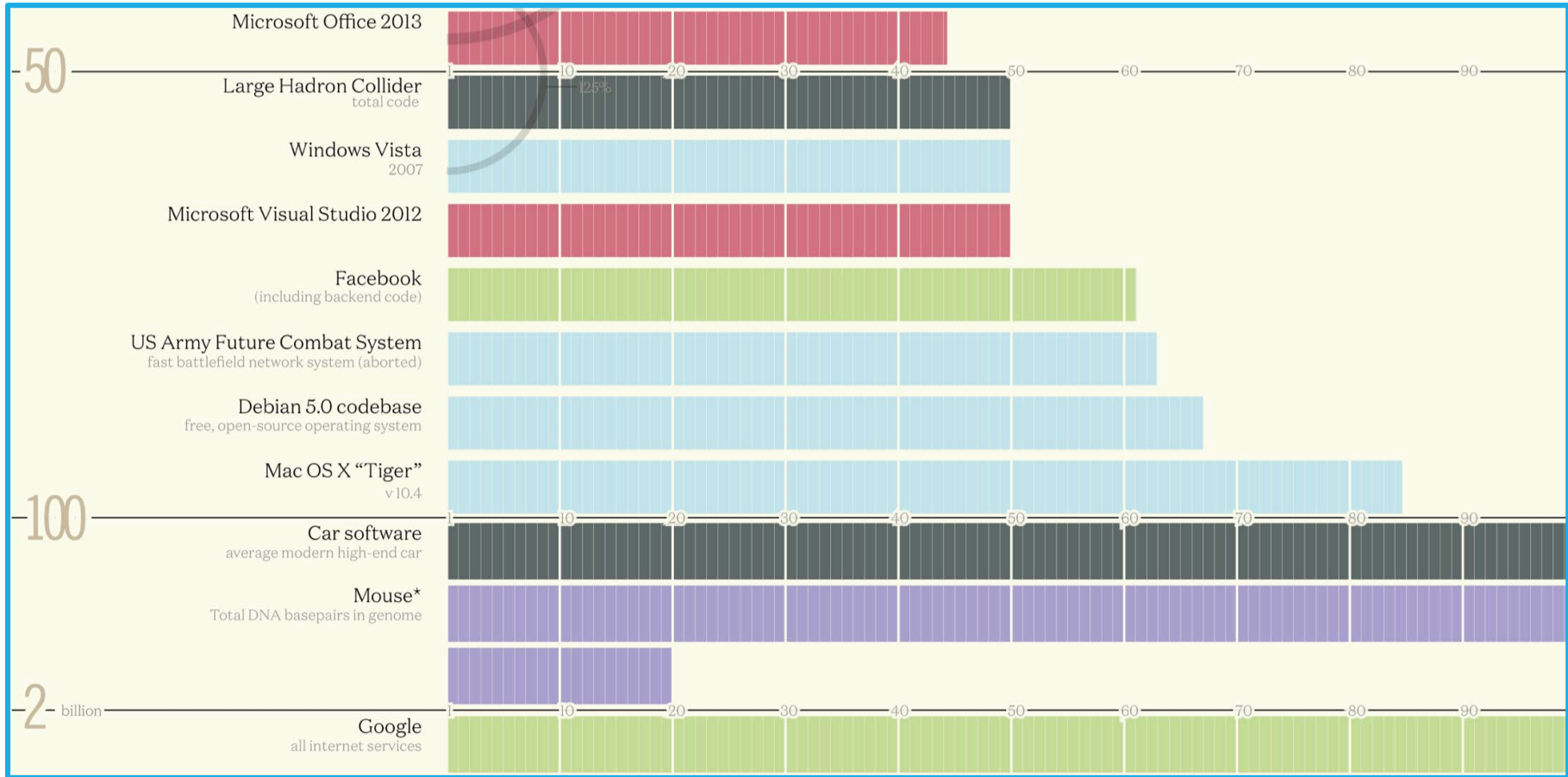
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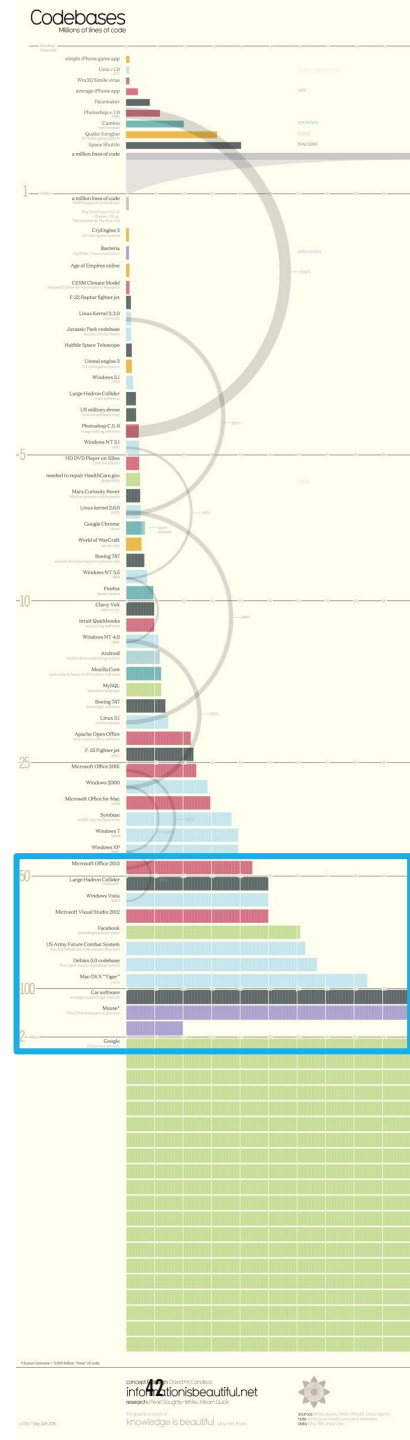
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How many lines of code in Google?

The **Google** codebase includes approximately one billion files and has a history of approximately 35 million commits spanning **Google's** entire 18-year existence. The repository contains 86TB^a of data, including approximately two billion **lines of code** in nine million unique source files. Jun 28, 2016

Also look at : <http://www.informationisbeautiful.net/visualizations/million-lines-of-code/>

ADTS ALLOW US TO:

Abstract away unnecessary details

Better understand complex software

Save us from ourselves



QUESTIONS?



PROBLEM: WE HAVE TOO MANY CUSTOMERS!

We need to manage a list of our orders.

Naruto to design order management app

Policy: serve the earliest customers first.





PROBLEM: A CUSTOMER QUEUE

Design an ADT for Naruto to use

QUEUE VISUALIZATION

Back to Visualgo!





QUEUE

Operations:

- enqueue(x)
- peek()
- dequeue()

First-in-First-Out (FIFO)

Which data structure should we use to implement our Queue ADT?

- A. Linked List
- B. Array
- C. What is a data structure?
- D. Wah! So many people.. must queue up also!



COMPUTATIONAL COST

	Array	Singly Linked List
enqueue(x)		
peek()		
dequeue()		
Other issues?		



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	Array	Singly Linked List
enqueue(x)	1	1
peek()	1	1
dequeue()	N	1
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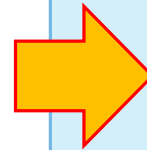
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BUSINESS IS BOOMING!

Queue Worked!

Customers are happy!

Naruto (and you) get a promotion

We've started home deliveries!



PROBLEM: NEW HIRES DELIVERING BOXES

New hires need very precise instructions

Policy:

- Deliver box from top to bottom
- New packages from factory goes on top



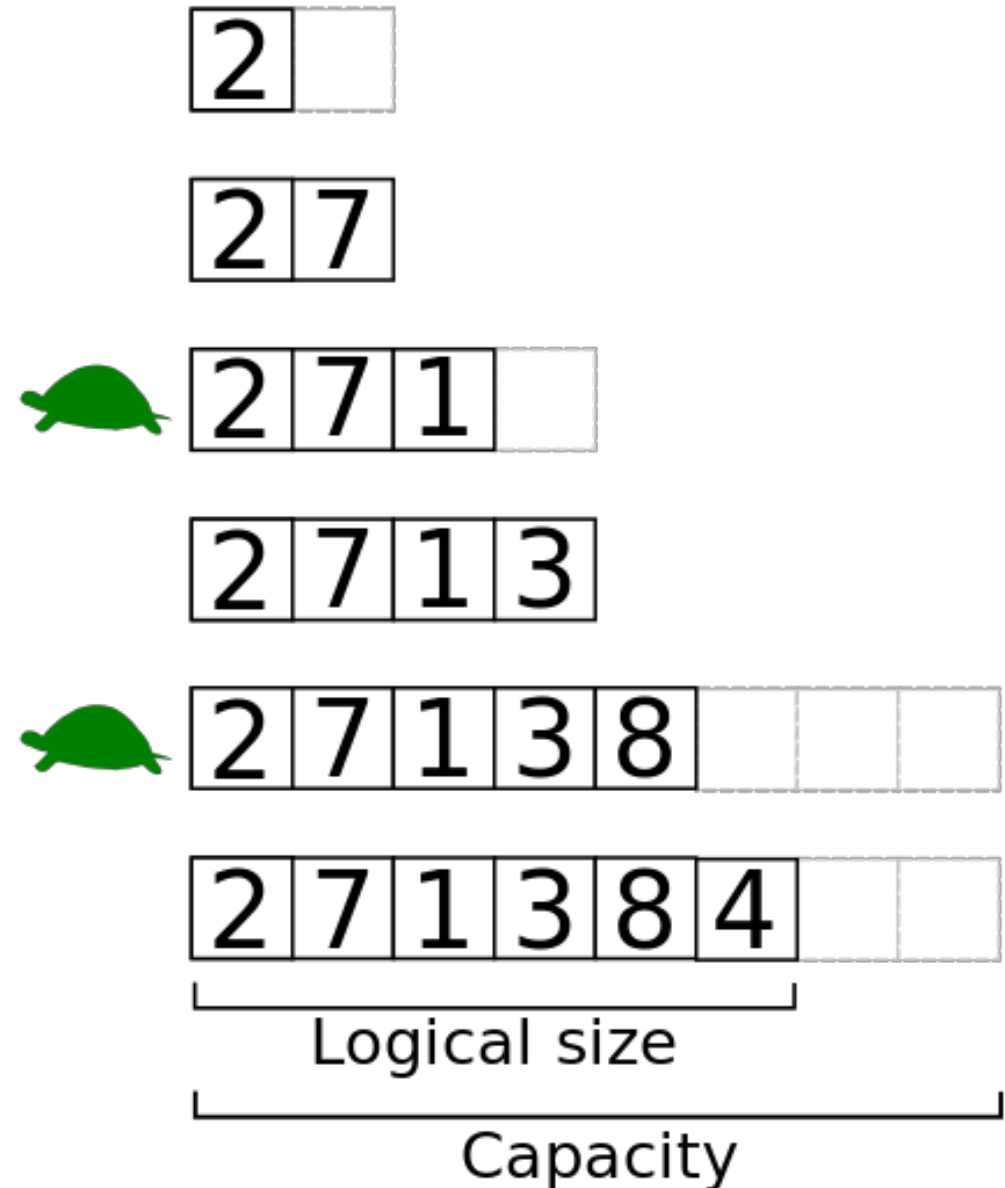
DYNAMIC ARRAYS

Arrays that can grow.

Amortized constant time for adding at the end (*more about this later in the course!*)

Different strategies for growing, e.g.

- Double the space each time you need to grow
- increase by a pre-set amount





STACK

Operations:

- `push(x)`
- `peek()`
- `pop()`

Last-in-First-Out (LIFO)

Which is more time efficient for implementing a Stack: a Linked List or a Dynamic Array?

- A. Dynamic Array
- B. Singly Linked List
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COMPUTATIONAL COST

	Dynamic Array	Singly Linked List
push(x)	1 (Amortized)	1
peek()		
pop()		



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peek()	1	1
pop()	1	1
	push to the back	push to the front



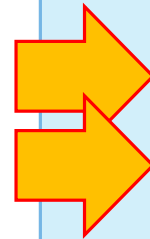
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DELIVERY PROBLEM!

Stacks worked!

Customers are getting their deliveries!

Naruto (and you) get another promotion!



STACKS ARE VERY USEFUL!

Implement Recursion

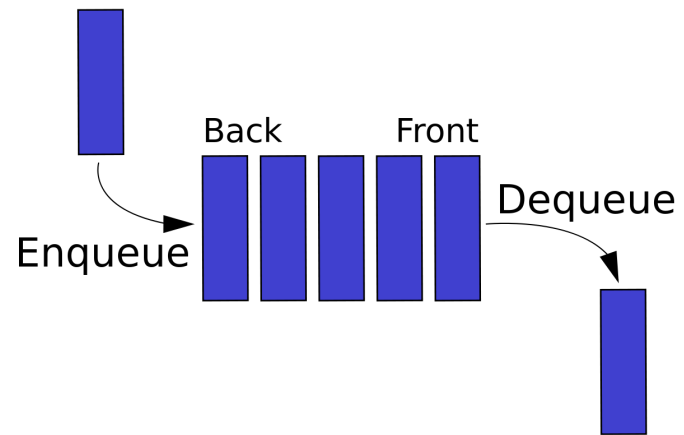
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Depth-First-Search (later in the semester!)

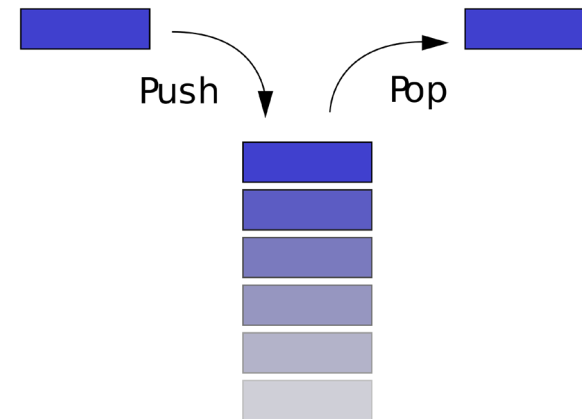
and others...



SUMMARY: QUEUE & STACK



FIFO



LIFO



NARUTO POSES A PUZZLE



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USE 2 STACKS

Enqueue(x): Add it to the top of the Stack A

Dequeue():

- Pop off all elements from Stack A to Stack B.
- Remove the last element (which is the first to be enqueued).
- Pop off all elements from Stack B to Stack A.

Computational Cost:

- Constant time for the Enqueue.
- $\sim 2N$ Operations for the Dequeue.

**But there is a
faster way...**

TWO SPECIALIZED STACKS





NARUTO POSES ANOTHER PUZZLE

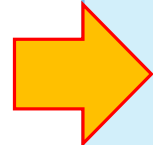
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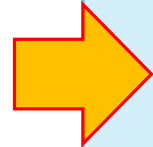
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But there is a more space efficient way...

REVERSING A SINGLY LINKED LIST

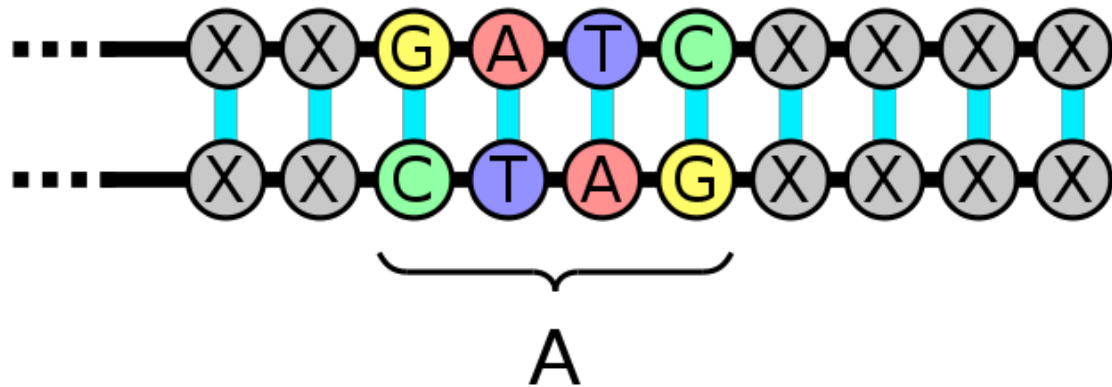


REVERSING A SINGLY LINKED LIST PSEUDOCODE

```
Node reversed_list = null
Node current = head
while current is not null
    Node next = current.next
    current.next = reversed_list
    reversed_list = current
    current = next
head = reversed_list
```

PROBLEM: DNA PALINDROMES

Consider the alphabets for a particular DNA sequence is stored as a linked list.



palindrome

noun

a word, phrase, or sequence that reads the same backwards as forwards, e.g.

- *madam*
- *anna*
- ACTGGTCA



USE A **STACK**

- ~~1. Get the midpoint of an list ($\sim cN$ operations)~~
2. Run through first half the linked list and **push each element on a stack** ($\sim cN$ operations)
3. Iterate through the remaining half and check against each popped element of the stack ($\sim cN$ Operations)

Cost: $\sim cN$ operations but extra $\sim N/2$ memory!

REVERSE THE SECOND HALF

1. Get the midpoint of an list ($\sim cN$ operations)
2. Reverse the second half ($\sim cN$ operations)
3. Iterate from the beginning and the midpoint, comparing each element

Cost: $\sim cN$ operations and 1 memory slot!

NARUTO TURNS OUT TO BE AWESOME!

NEW! Description of Naruto:

- “Nice guy!”
- “Really likes bananas!”
- “Friendly and super smart!”
- “I was totally wrong! he turned out to be an awesome coder, man!”



LEARNING OUTCOMES

By the end of this session, students should be able to:

- explain the **Linked List** Data Structure
- describe what is an **Abstract Data Type** (ADT)
- describe the **difference between ADTs and Data Structures** (DSes) and their relationship
- explain the **Stack** and **Queue** ADT

OTHER TAKE AWAYS

Change the data structure to suit your problem

ADTs can save us from complexity

Don't judge people / monkeys by their appearance.



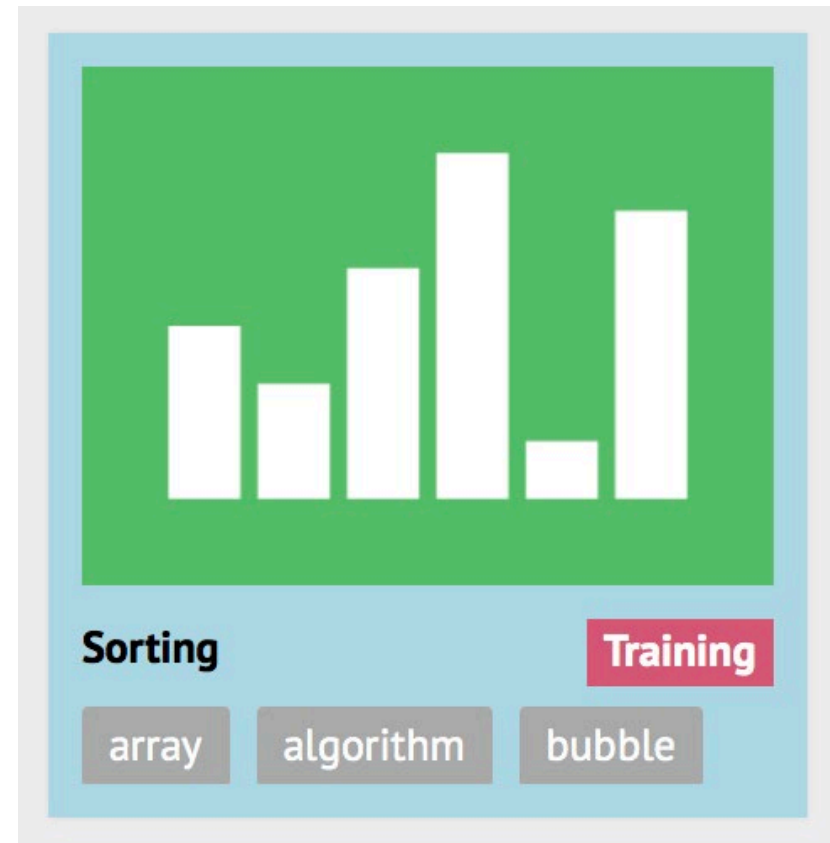
BEFORE LECTURE TOMORROW

Go to Visualgo.net and do the Sorting Module:

<https://visualgo.net/en/sorting>

Required: Sections 1- 8

Optional: 9 onwards



QUESTIONS?

