Ch. 13 CSE3110 - Iterative Algorithm 1: Error Log

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StackList (+ StackListDemo)

One mistake I encountered was forgetting to update the top reference in the push method. Originally, I wrote:

```
// Push operation to add an element to the top of the stack
public void push(Object data) {
    Node newNode = new Node(data);
    newNode.next = top;
}
```

The error was that the stack did not recognize the newly added element as the top, and operations like peek or pop still referenced the old top node. This caused the stack to behave incorrectly, with new elements being "lost."

```
Pushing elements: 10, 20, 30

Exception in thread "main" java.lang.IllegalStateException: Stack is empty at mastery.StackList.StackList.peek(StackList.java:40) at mastery.StackList.StackListDemo.main(StackListDemo.java:14)
```

To fix this, I added the missing line:

```
// Push operation to add an element to the top of the stack
public void push(Object data) {
   Node newNode = new Node(data);
   newNode.next = top;
   top = newNode;
}
```

This ensured that the new node was correctly assigned as the top of the stack, and the output was correct:

```
Pushing elements: 10, 20, 30

Top element (peek): 30

Popping elements: 30

20

10

Attempting to peek on an empty stack: Caught exception: Stack is empty

Attempting to pop from an empty stack: Caught exception: Stack is empty
```

ReverseList

Initially, I thought I needed to push elements into another stack (or some other structure) to reverse their order before displaying them.

```
// Attempt to reverse the stack (incorrect logic)
System.out.println("\nReversed numbers:");
Stack<Integer> reversedStack = new Stack<>(); // New stack to store reversed elements
while (!stack.isEmpty()) {
    reversedStack.push(stack.pop()); // Push each element into the new stack
}

// Display reversed numbers by popping from the reversed stack
while (!reversedStack.isEmpty()) {
    System.out.print(reversedStack.pop() + " "); // Pop and print each element
}
scanner.close();
```

This was unnecessary, as the Stack class in Java already maintains the correct order when elements are popped, meaning the pop() operation inherently returns the elements in reverse order of how they were added. I realized I can directly **pop** the elements from the original stack, which automatically gives me the elements in reverse order, and print them as I go.

This approach is more simple and leverages the natural properties of the stack to reverse the numbers with minimal effort and clearer logic.

QueueList (+ QueueListDemo)

One error that I made was that I forgot to include the constructor that initializes the queue's state. Specifically, the constructor should initialize the **front** and **rear** pointers to **null** and the **size** to **0**.

```
package mastery.QueueList;
   private Node front;
   private Node rear;
       Object data;
       Node next;
       Node(Object data) {
            this.data = data;
    }
   public void enqueue(Object item) {
       Node newNode = new Node(item);
        if (rear != null) {
            rear.next = newNode;
        rear = newNode;
        if (front == null) {
            front = newNode;
        size++;
```

With the constructor in place, the enqueue and dequeue methods now behave correctly. The enqueue method properly links the new node to the rear pointer and updates the front pointer if the queue was empty. The dequeue method works because the front pointer is correctly initialized, allowing us to remove elements.

```
private Node front;
private Node rear;
private class Node {
    Object data;
   Node next;
   Node(Object data) {
        this.data = data;
public QueueList() {
    front = null;
public void enqueue(Object item) {
   Node newNode = new Node(item);
    if (rear != null) {
        rear.next = newNode;
    rear = newNode;
    if (front == null) {
        front = newNode;
    size++;
```

By adding the constructor, the queue is properly initialized, and the operations now work as intended.

These were the only errors I made throughout my coding process.