

Stacks and Queues

CS 121: Data Structures

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- Implementation of stacks and queues

Attendance Quiz

Attendance Quiz: Linked Lists

- Scan the QR code, or find today's attendance quiz under the "Quizzes" tab on Canvas
- Password: to be announced



```
public class IntLinkedList {

    private class Node {
        int val;
        Node next;

        public Node(int v) {
            val = v;
            next = null;
        }
    }

    private Node head; // the first node
    private Node tail; // the last node
    private int length; // number of nodes in the list

    // constructor initializes an empty linked list
    public IntLinkedList() {
        head = null;
        tail = null;
        length = 0;
    }

    // TODO
    // public void addFirst(int val) { }
    // public void addLast(int val) { }
}
```

Attendance Quiz:

Linked Lists

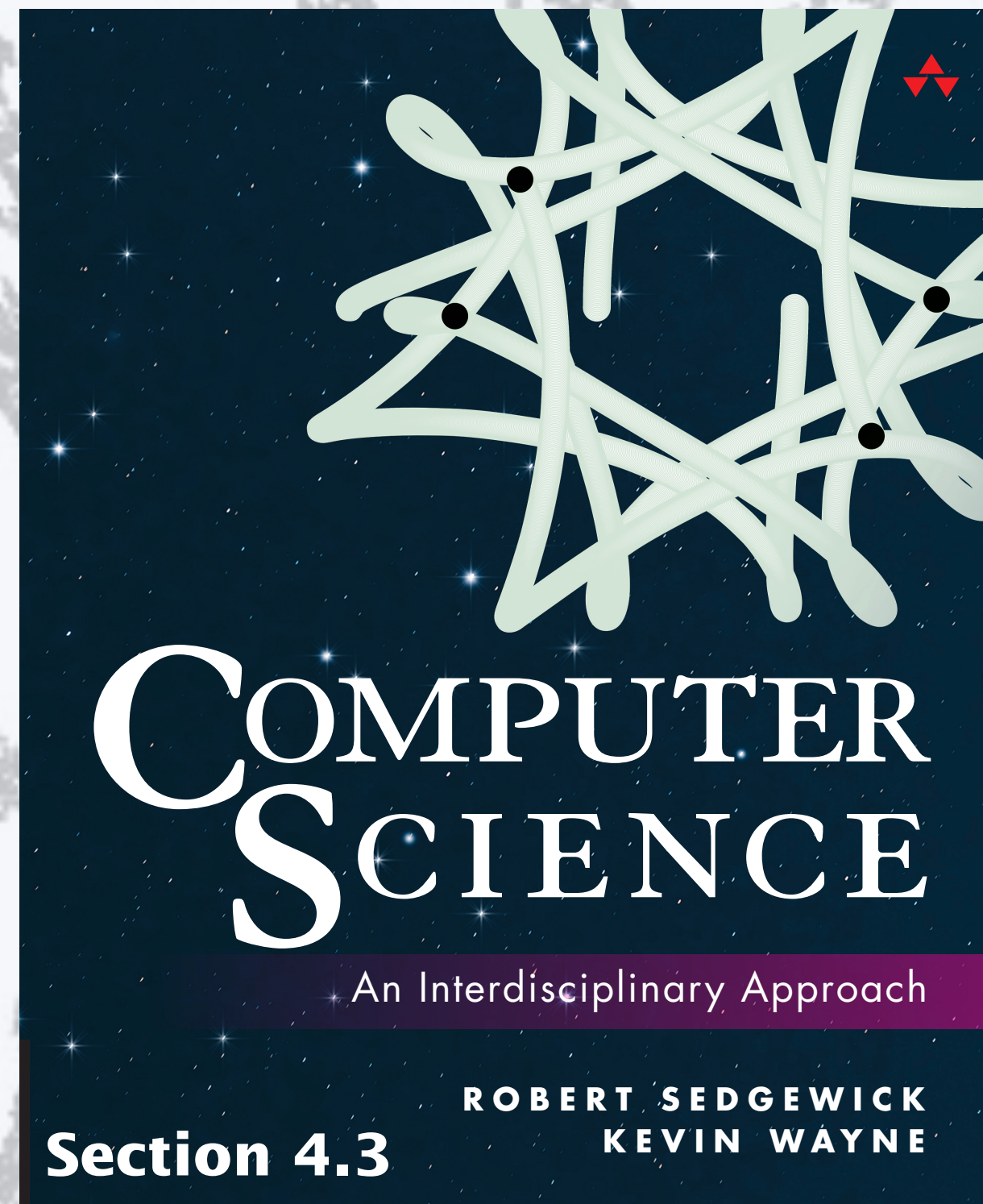
- Write your name
- Write code for `addFirst()` and `addLast()`

```
public class IntLinkedList {  
  
    private class Node {  
        int val;  
        Node next;  
  
        public Node(int v) {  
            val = v;  
            next = null;  
        }  
    }  
  
    private Node head; // the first node  
    private Node tail; // the last node  
    private int length; // number of nodes in the list  
  
    // constructor initializes an empty linked list  
    public IntLinkedList() {  
        head = null;  
        tail = null;  
        length = 0;  
    }  
  
    // TODO  
    // public void addFirst(int val) { }  
    // public void addLast(int val) { }  
}
```

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12. Stacks and Queues

- **APIs**
- Clients
- Strawman implementation
- Linked lists
- Implementations

Choosing appropriate data structures

When implementing a Java class: Which data structures to use?

- Resource 1: How much memory is needed?
- Resource 2: How much time do data-type methods use?

Data structures

- Represent data.
- Represent relationships among data.
- Some are built in to Java: 1D arrays, 2D arrays, . . .
- Most are not: linked list, circular list, tree, . . .

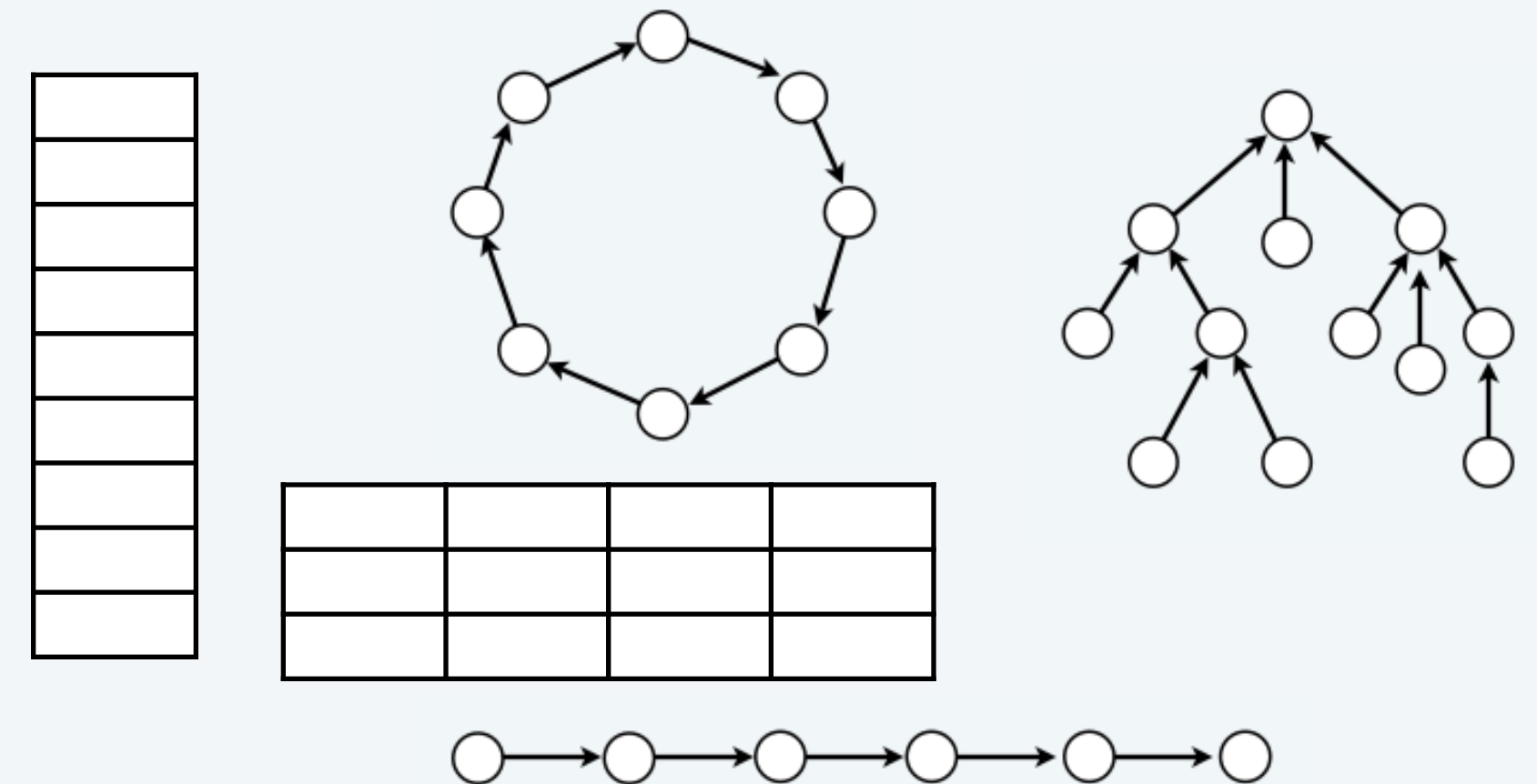
Data structure comparison: arrays vs linked lists

- Arrays allow constant-time access of any element, but growth requires linear time
- Linked lists allow constant-time access of the first and last elements, and constant-time growth

```
public class Complex
    Complex(double real, double imag)
    Complex plus(Complex b)    sum of this number and b
    Complex times(Complex b)   product of this number and b
    double abs()               magnitude
    String toString()          string representation

public class Turtle
    Turtle(double x0, double y0, double q0)
    void turnLeft(double delta) rotate delta degrees counterclockwise
    void goForward(double step) move distance step, drawing a line

public class Color
    String toString()          string representation of this color
    boolean equals(Color c)    is this color the same as c's?
```



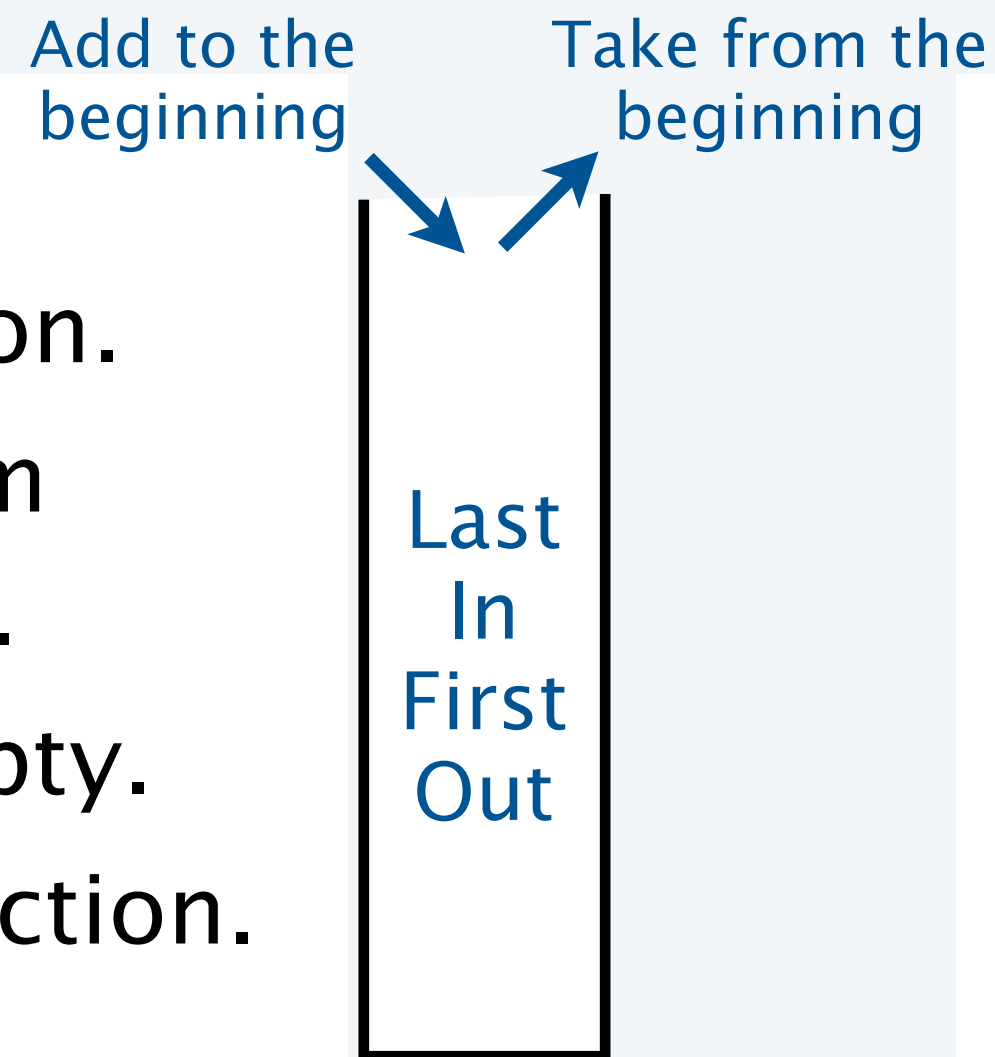
Stack and Queue APIs

A **collection** is an ADT whose values are a multiset of items, all of the same type.

Two fundamental collection **ADTs** differ in just a detail of the specification of their operations.

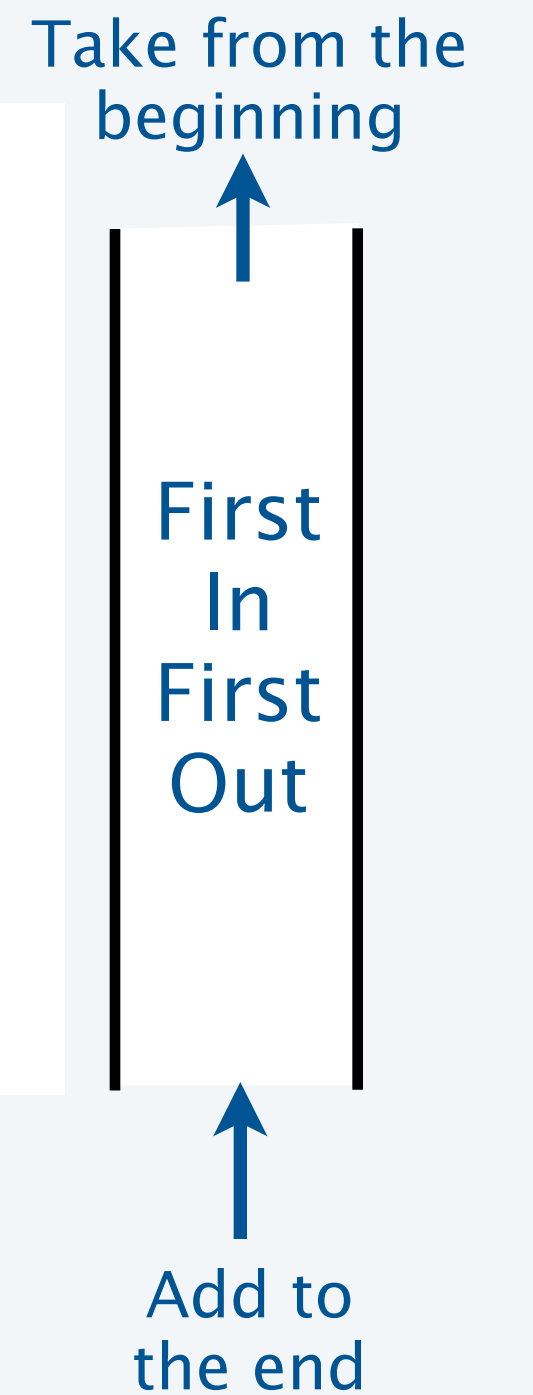
Stack operations

- Add an item to the collection.
- Remove and return the item **most** recently added (LIFO).
- Test if the collection is empty.
- Return the size of the collection.



Queue operations

- Add an item to the collection.
- Remove and return the item **least** recently added (FIFO).
- Test if the collection is empty.
- Return the size of the collection.



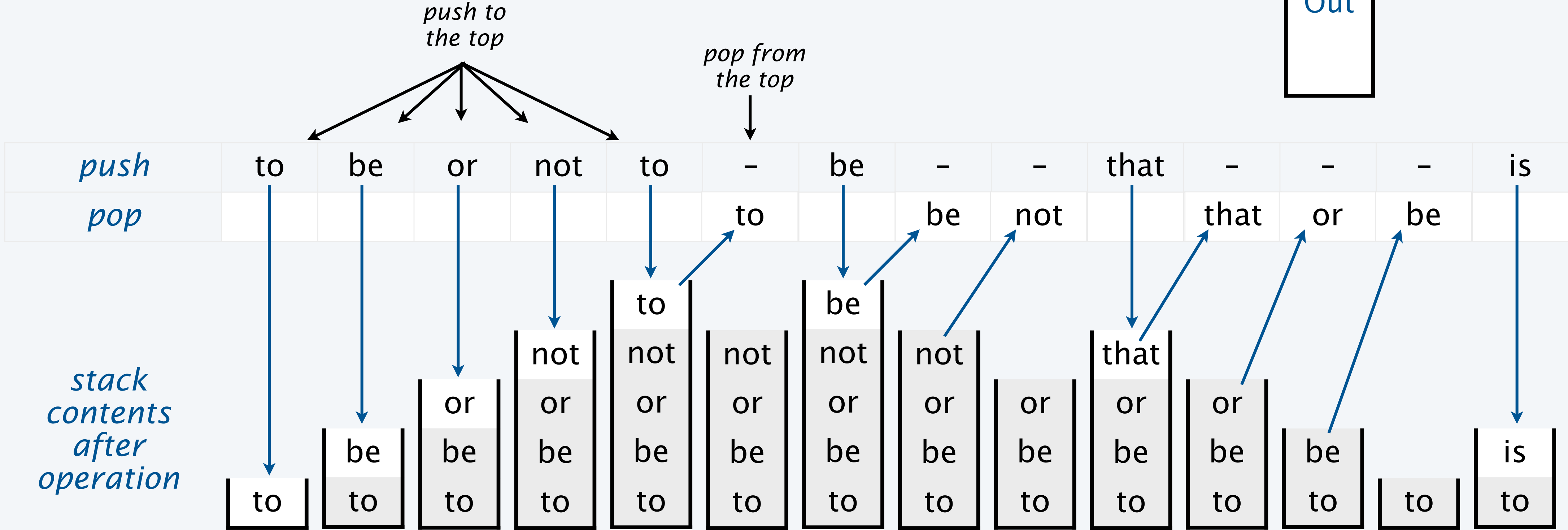
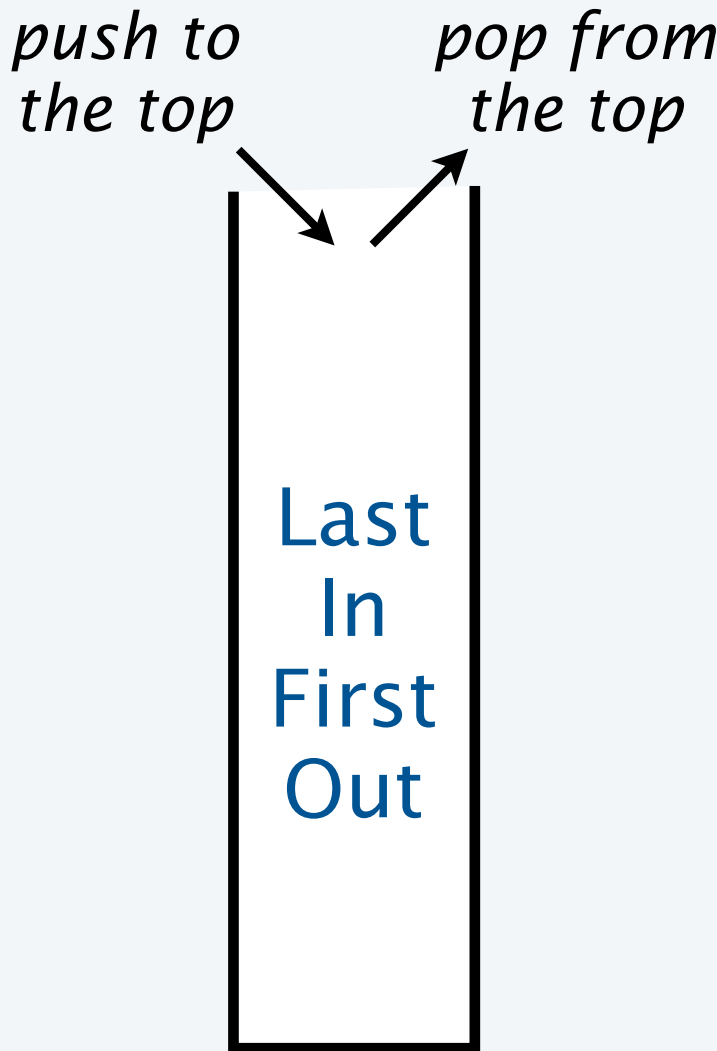
Stacks and queues both arise naturally in countless applications.

A key characteristic. **No limit** on the size of the collection.

Example of stack operations

Push. Add an item to the collection.

Pop. Remove and return the item *most* recently added.



Stack



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Example of queue operations

Enqueue. Add an item to the collection.

Dequeue. Remove and return the item *least* recently added.

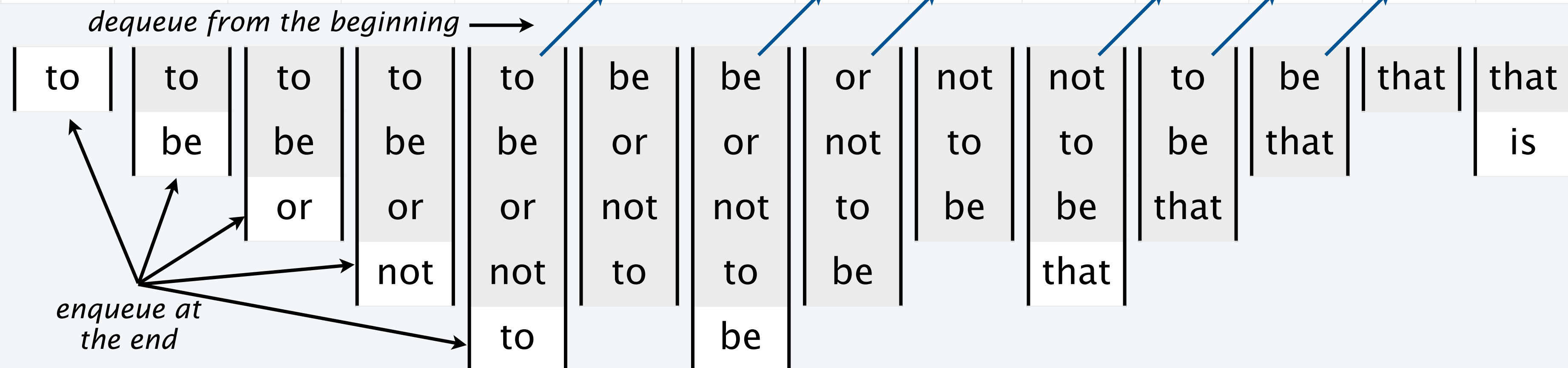
dequeue from the beginning

First
In
First
Out

enqueue at the end

<i>enqueue</i>	to	be	or	not	to	-	be	-	-	that	-	-	-	is
<i>dequeue</i>					to		be	or		not	to	be		

queue contents after operation



Queue



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Parameterized data types

Goal. Simple, safe, and clear client code for collections of any type of data.

Java approach: Parameterized data types (generics)

- Use placeholder type name in definition.
- Substitute concrete type for placeholder in clients. ← stay tuned for examples

Stack API

<code>public class Stack<Item></code>	
<code>Stack<Item>()</code>	<i>create a stack of items, all of type Item</i>
<code>void push(Item item)</code>	<i>add item to stack</i>
<code>Item pop()</code>	<i>remove and return the item most recently pushed</i>
<code>boolean isEmpty()</code>	<i>is the stack empty?</i>
<code>int size()</code>	<i># of objects on the stack</i>

Queue API

<code>public class Queue<Item></code>	
<code>Queue<Item>()</code>	<i>create a queue of items, all of type Item</i>
<code>void enqueue(Item item)</code>	<i>add item to queue</i>
<code>Item dequeue()</code>	<i>remove and return the item least recently enqueued</i>
<code>boolean isEmpty()</code>	<i>is the queue empty?</i>
<code>int size()</code>	<i># of objects on the queue</i>

Performance specifications

Challenge. Provide guarantees on performance.

Goal. Simple, safe, clear, and *efficient* client code.

Performance specifications

- All operations are constant-time.
- Memory use is linear in the size of the collection, when it is nonempty.
- No limits within the code on the collection size.

Typically required for client code to be *scalable*



Java. Any implementation of the API implements the stack/queue abstractions.

This course: Implementations that do not meet performance specs *do not* implement the abstractions.



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Stack and queue applications

Queues

- First-come-first-served resource allocation.
- Asynchronous data transfer (StdIn, StdOut).
- Dispensing requests on a shared resource.
- Simulations of the real world.



Stacks

- Last-come-first-served resource allocation.
- Function calls in programming languages.
- Basic mechanism in interpreters, compilers.
- Fundamental abstraction in computing.



Queue client example: Read all strings from StdIn into an array

Challenge

- Can't store strings in array before creating the array.
- Can't create the array without knowing how many strings are in the input stream.
- Can't know how many strings are in the input stream without reading them all.

Solution: Use a `Queue<String>`.

```
public class QEx
{
    public static String[] readAllStrings()
    { /* See next slide. */ }

    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        String[] words = readAllStrings();
        for (int i = 0; i < words.length; i++)
            StdOut.println(words[i]);
    }
}
```

Note: StdIn has this
functionality

```
% more moby.txt
moby dick
herman melville
call me ishmael some years ago never
mind how long precisely having
little or no money
...
```

```
% java QEx < moby.txt
moby
dick
herman
melville
call
me
ishmael
some
years
...
```

Queue client example: Read all strings from StdIn into an array

Solution: Use a `Queue<String>`.

- Store strings in the queue.
- Get the size when all have been read from `StdIn`.
- Create an array of that size.
- Copy the strings into the array.

```
public class QEx
{
    public static String[] readAllStrings()
    {
        Queue<String> q = new Queue<String>();
        while (!StdIn.isEmpty())
            q.enqueue(StdIn.readString());
        int N = q.size();
        String[] words = new String[N];
        for (int i = 0; i < N; i++)
            words[i] = q.dequeue();
        return words;
    }
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        String[] words = readAllStrings();
        for (int i = 0; i < words.length; i++)
            StdOut.println(words[i]);
    }
}
```

Stack example: "Back" button in a browser



Typical scenario

- Visit a page.
- Click a link to another page.
- Click a link to another page.
- Click a link to another page.
- Click "back" button.
- Click "back" button.
- Click "back" button.

`http://introcs.cs.princeton.edu/java/43stack/`

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Autoboxing

Challenge. Use a *primitive* type in a parameterized ADT.

Wrapper types

- Each primitive type has a wrapper reference type.
- Wrapper type has larger set of operations than primitive type.
Example: `Integer.parseInt()`.
- Instances of wrapper types are objects.
- Wrapper type can be used in a parameterized ADT.

<i>primitive type</i>	<i>wrapper type</i>
<code>int</code>	<code>Integer</code>
<code>char</code>	<code>Character</code>
<code>double</code>	<code>Double</code>
<code>boolean</code>	<code>Boolean</code>

Autoboxing. Automatic cast from primitive type to wrapper type.

Auto-unboxing. Automatic cast from wrapper type to primitive type.

Simple client code
(no casts) →

```
Stack<Integer> stack = new Stack<Integer>();  
stack.push(17);      // Autobox (int -> Integer)  
int a = stack.pop(); // Auto-unbox (Integer -> int)
```

Stack client example: Postfix expression evaluation

Infix. Standard way of writing arithmetic expressions, using parentheses for precedence.

Example. $(1 + ((2 + 3) * (4 * 5))) = (1 + (5 * 20)) = 101$

Postfix. Write operator *after* operands (instead of in between them).

Example. 1 2 3 + 4 5 * * + ← also called "reverse Polish" notation (RPN)



Jan Łukasiewicz
1878–1956

Remarkable fact. No parentheses are needed!

There is only one way to parenthesize a postfix expression.

1 2 3 + 4 5 * * +

1 (2 + 3) 4 5 * * +

1 ((2 + 3) * (4 * 5)) +

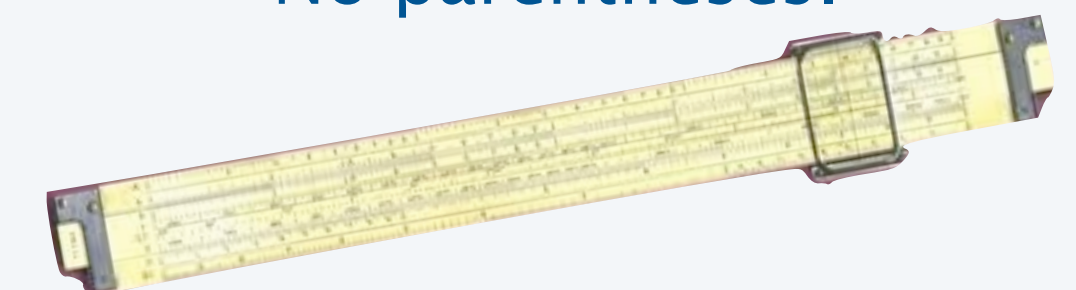
(1 + ((2 + 3) * (4 * 5)))

← find first operator, convert to infix, enclose in ()

↘ iterate, treating subexpressions in parentheses as atomic



HP-35 (1972)
First handheld calculator.
"Enter" means "push".
No parentheses.



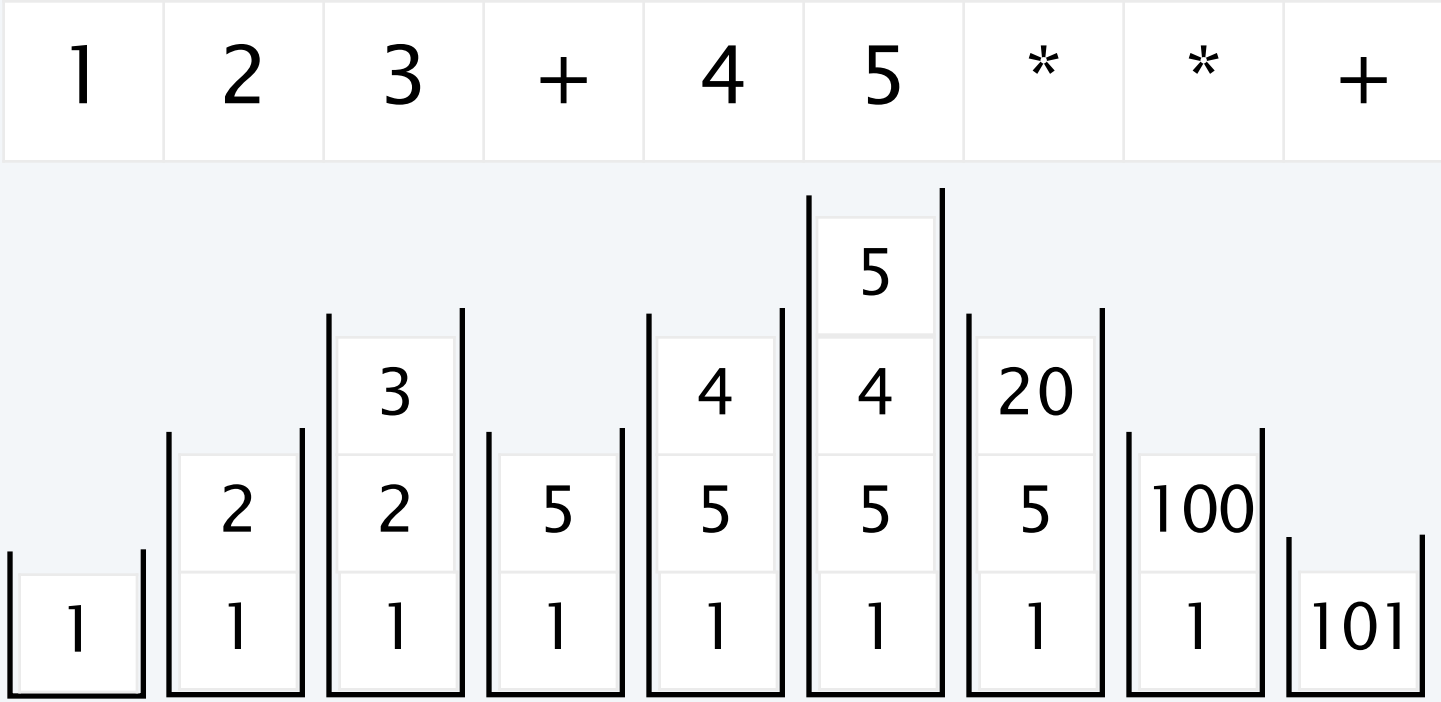
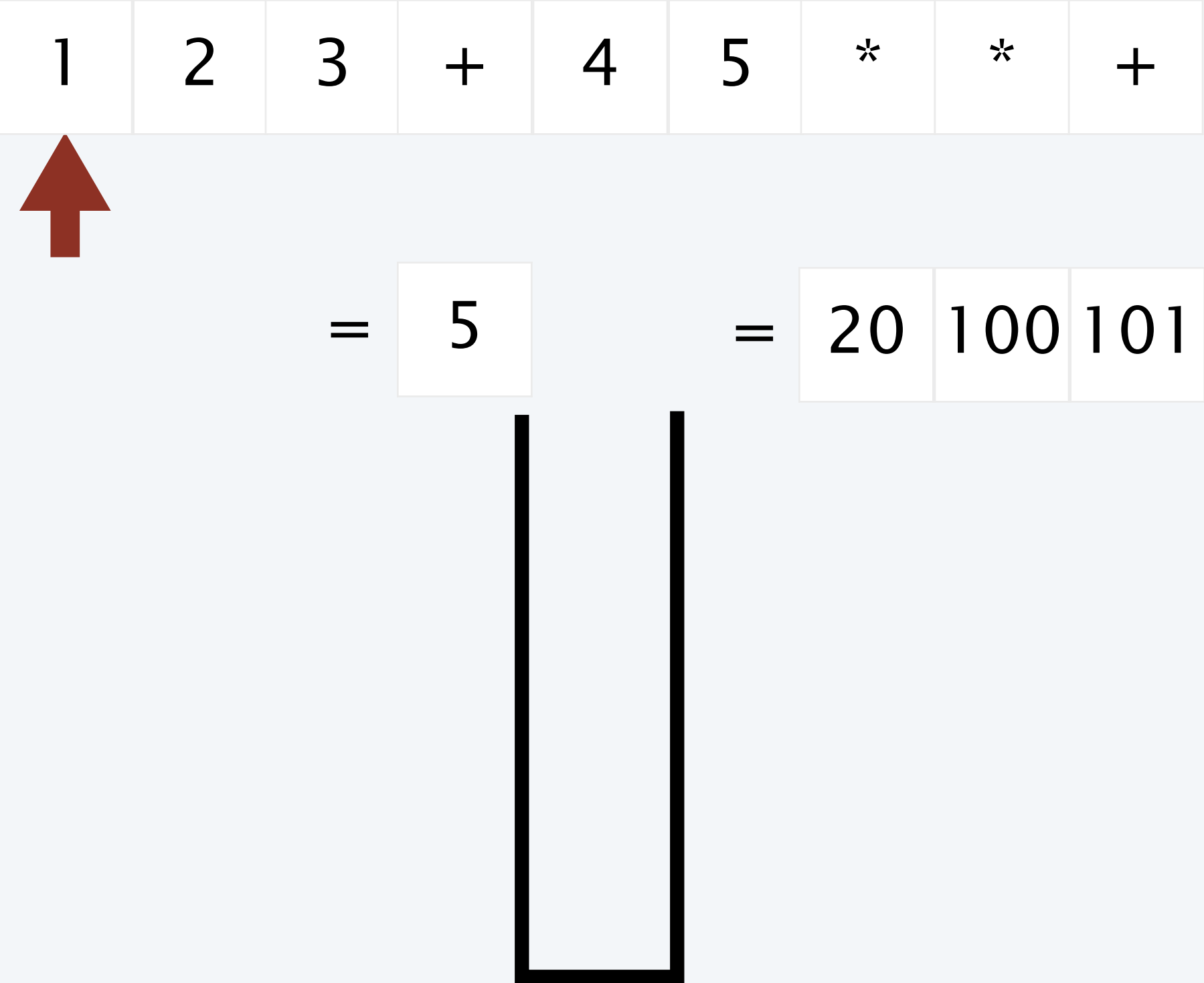
Made slide rules obsolete (!)

Next. With a stack, postfix expressions are easy to evaluate.

Postfix arithmetic expression evaluation

Algorithm

- While input stream is nonempty, read a token.
- Value: Push onto the stack.
- Operator: Pop operand(s), apply operator, push the result.



Stack client example: Postfix expression evaluation

```
public class Postfix
{
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        Stack<Double> stack = new Stack<Double>();
        while (!StdIn.isEmpty())
        {
            String token = StdIn.readString();
            if (token.equals("*"))
                stack.push(stack.pop() * stack.pop());
            else if (token.equals("+"))
                stack.push(stack.pop() + stack.pop());
            else if (token.equals("-"))
                stack.push(-stack.pop() + stack.pop());
            else if (token.equals("/"))
                stack.push((1.0/stack.pop()) * stack.pop());
            else if (token.equals("sqrt"))
                stack.push(Math.sqrt(stack.pop()));
            else
                stack.push(Double.parseDouble(token));
        }
        StdOut.println(stack.pop());
    }
}
```

```
% java Postfix
1 2 3 + 4 5 * * +
101.0
```

```
% java Postfix
1 5 sqrt + 2 /
1.618033988749895
```

$$\frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2}$$

Perspective

- Easy to add operators of all sorts.
- Can do infix with two stacks (see text).
- Could output machine language code.
- Indicative of how Java compiler works.

Stack client example: Infix expression evaluation

Infix. Standard way of writing arithmetic expressions, using parentheses for precedence.

Example. $(1 + ((2 + 3) * (4 * 5))) = (1 + (5 * 20)) = 101$

Dijkstra. With *two* stacks, infix expressions are easy to evaluate.



Edsger Dijkstra
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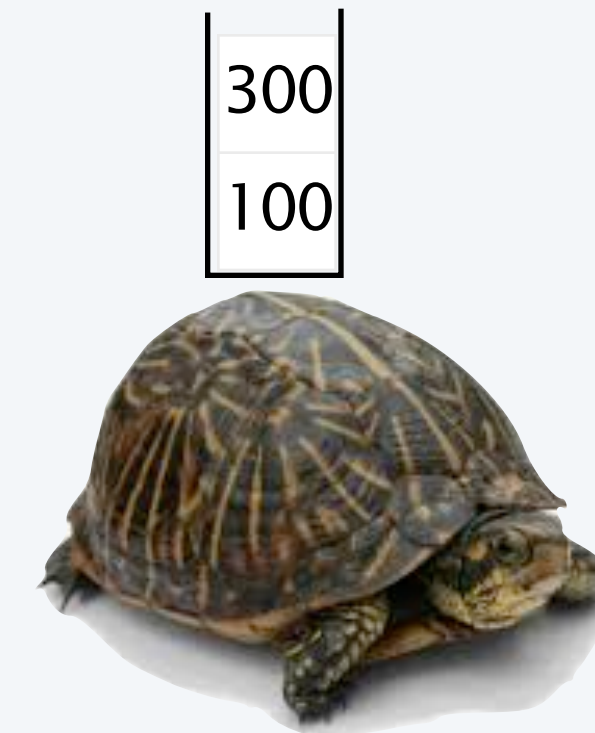
Dijkstra's 2-stack algorithm

- While input stream is nonempty, read a token.
- Value: Push onto the value stack.
- Operator: Push onto the operator stack.
- Left paren: Ignore.
- Right paren: Pop two values, pop operator, apply operator to values, push the result.

Real-world stack application: PostScript

PostScript (Warnock-Geschke, 1980s): A turtle with a stack.

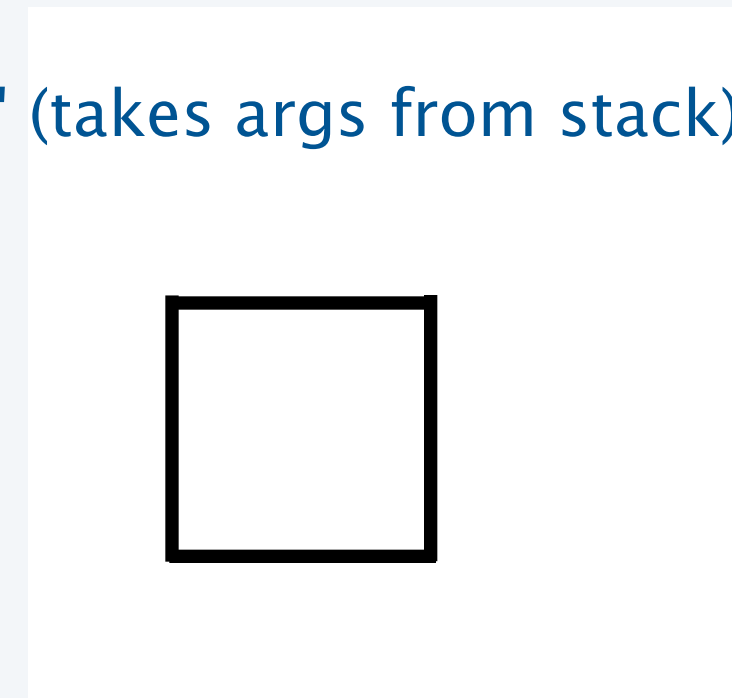
- Postfix program code (push literals; functions pop arguments).
- Add commands to drive virtual graphics machine.
- Add loops, conditionals, functions, types, fonts, strings....



PostScript code

```
100 100 moveto  
100 300 lineto  
300 300 lineto  
300 100 lineto  
stroke
```

Annotations:
- '100' is circled and labeled 'push(100)'.
- 'moveto' is labeled 'call "moveto" (takes args from stack)'.
- The three 'lineto' lines are collectively labeled 'define a path'.
- 'stroke' is labeled 'draw the path'.



A simple virtual machine, but not a toy

- Easy to specify published page.
- Easy to implement on various specific printers.
- Revolutionized world of publishing.



Another stack machine: [The JVM \(Java Virtual Machine\)!](#)

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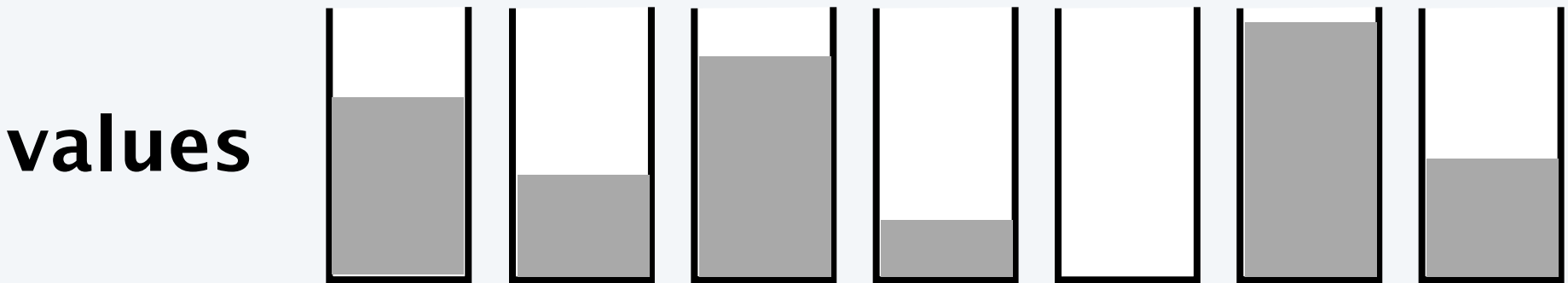
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Strawman ADT for pushdown stacks

Warmup: simplify the ADT

- Implement only for items of type `String`.
- Have client provide a stack *capacity* in the constructor.



Strawman API

<code>public class StrawStack</code>	
<code>StrawStack(int max)</code>	<i>create a stack of capacity max</i>
<code>void push(String item)</code>	<i>add item to stack</i>
<code>String pop()</code>	<i>return the string most recently pushed</i>
<code>boolean isEmpty()</code>	<i>is the stack empty?</i>
<code>int size()</code>	<i>number of strings on the stack</i>

Rationale. Allows us to represent the collection with an array of strings.

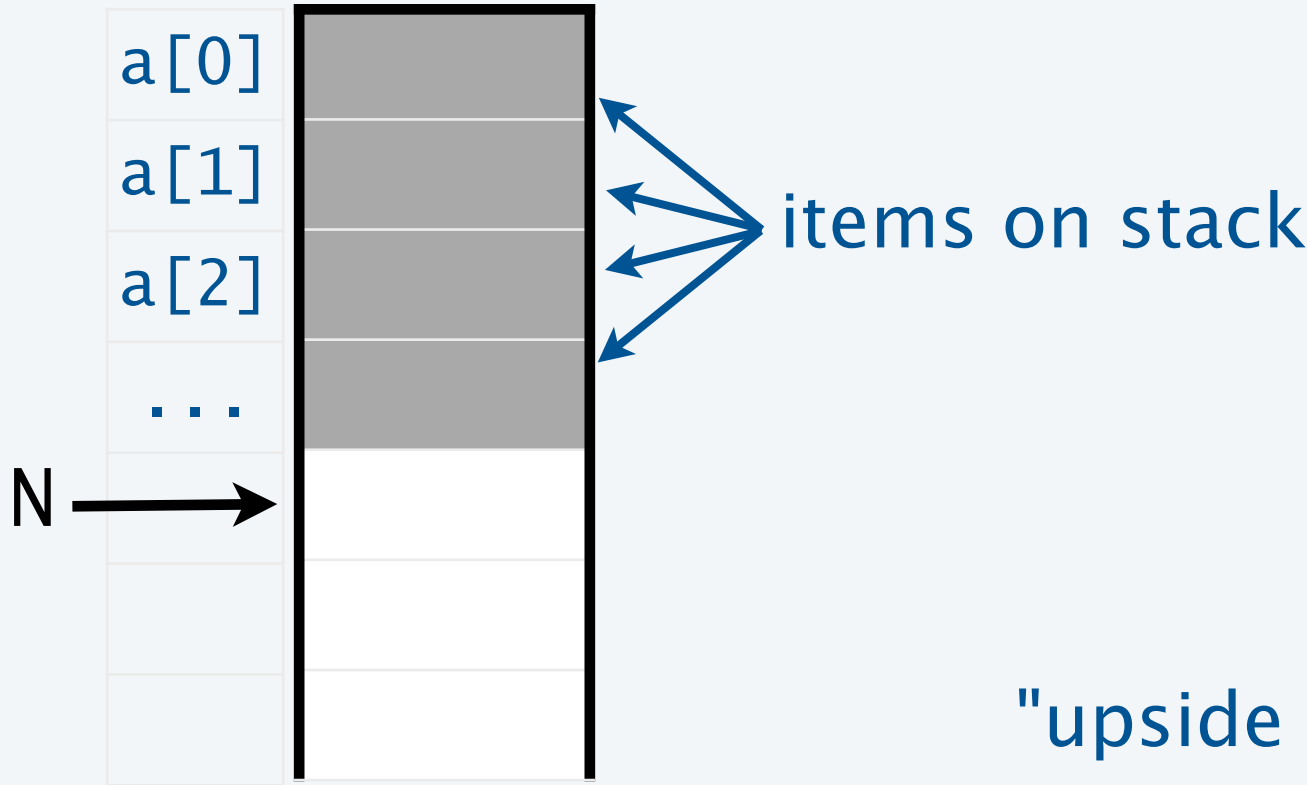
Strawman implementation: Instance variables and constructor

Data structure choice. Use an **array** to hold the collection.

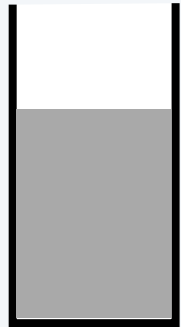
```
public class StrawStack
{
    private String[] a;
    private int N = 0;

    public StrawStack(int max)
    { a = new String[max]; }

    ...
}
```



"upside down" representation of



instance variables
constructor
methods
test client

Strawman stack implementation: Test client

```
public static void main(String[] args)
{
    int max = Integer.parseInt(args[0]);
    StrawStack stack = new StrawStack(max);
    while (!StdIn.isEmpty())
    {
        String item = StdIn.readString();
        if (item.equals("-"))
            StdOut.print(stack.pop());
        else
            stack.push(item);
    }
    StdOut.println();
}
```

instance variables

constructors

methods

test client

```
% more tobe.txt
to be or not to - be - - that - - - is

% java StrawStack 20 < tobe.txt
to be not that or be
```

What we *expect*, once the implementation is done.

Strawman implementation: Methods

Methods define data-type operations (implement APIs).

```
public class StrawStack
{
  ...
  public boolean isEmpty()
  { return (N == 0); }

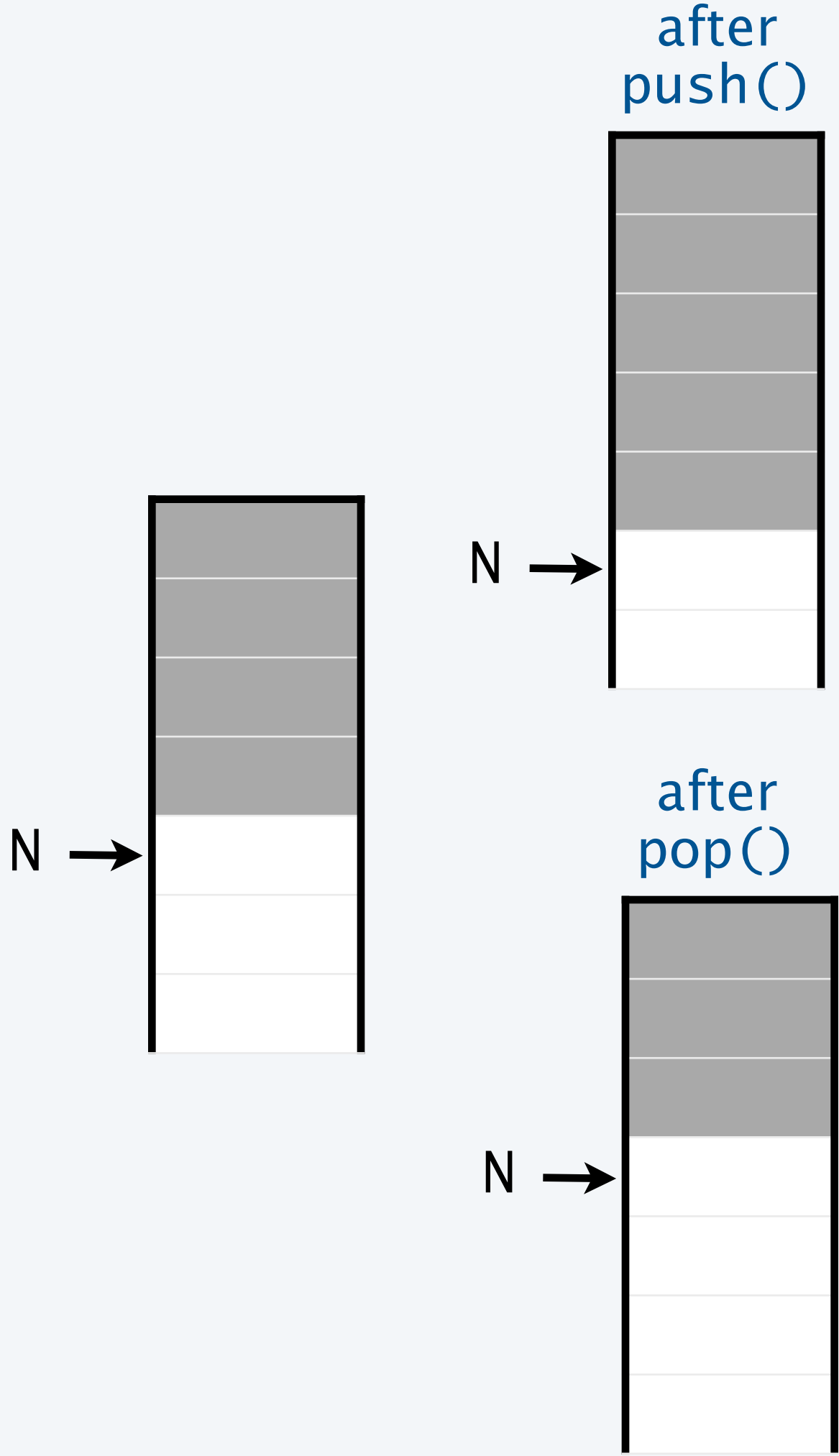
  public void push(String item)
  { a[N++] = item; }

  public String pop()
  { return a[--N]; }

  public int size()
  { return N; }

  ...
}
```

all constant-time one-liners!



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Strawman pushdown stack implementation

```
public class StrawStack  
{
```

```
private String[] a;  
private int N = 0;
```

instance variables

```
public StrawStack(int max)  
{ a = new String[max]; }
```

constructor

```
public boolean isEmpty()  
{ return (N == 0); }
```

```
public void push(String item)  
{ a[N++] = item; }
```

methods

```
public String pop()  
{ return a[--N]; }
```

```
public int size()  
{ return N; }
```

```
public static void main(String[] args)  
{  
    int max = Integer.parseInt(args[0]);  
    StrawStack stack = new StrawStack(max);  
    while (!StdIn.isEmpty())  
    {  
        String item = StdIn.readString();  
        if (item.equals("-"))  
            StdOut.print(stack.pop() + " ");  
        else  
            stack.push(item);  
    }  
    StdOut.println();  
}
```

test client

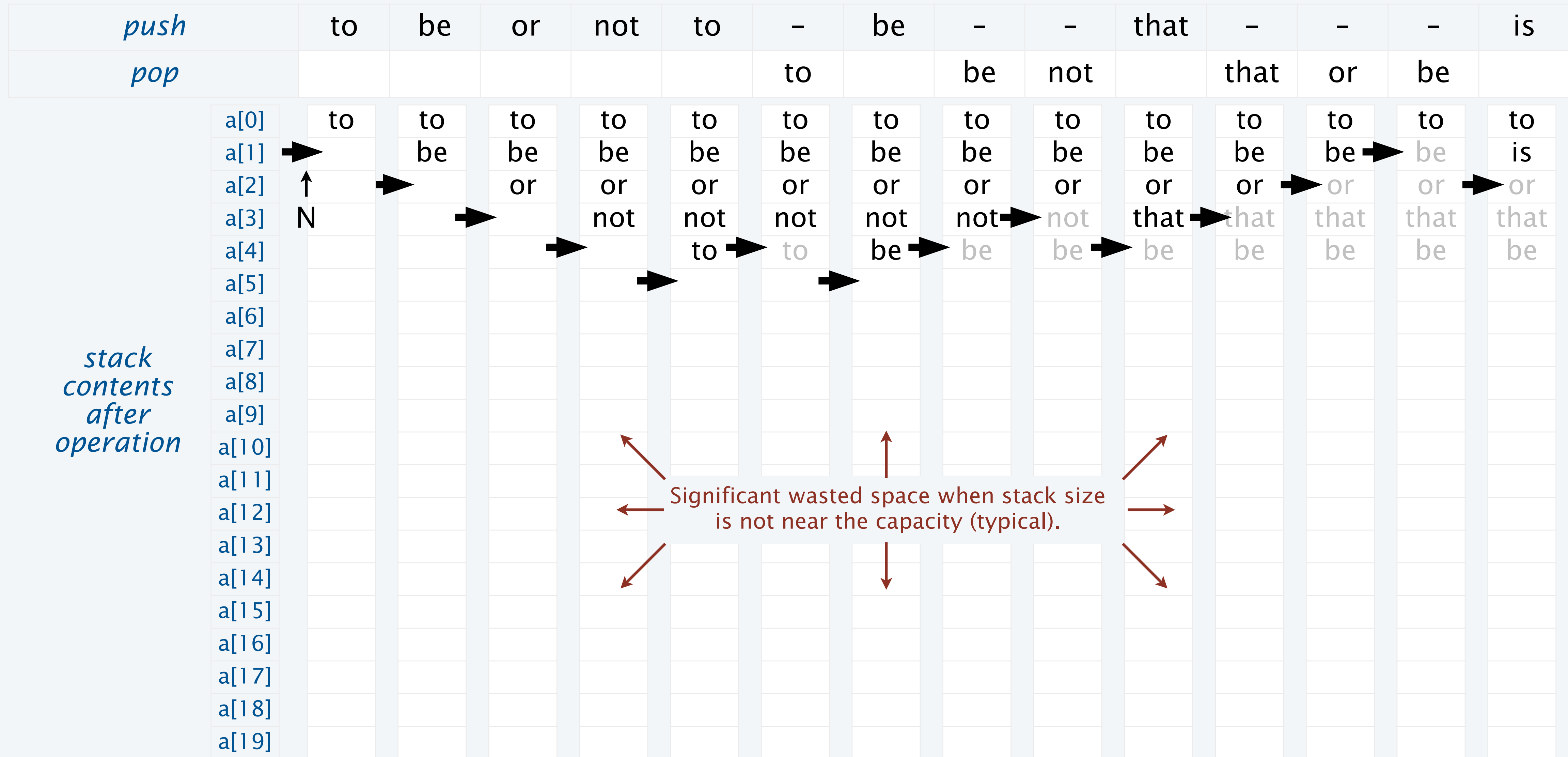
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```

```
to be or not to - be - - that - - - is
```

```
% java StrawStack 20 < tobe.txt
```

```
to be not that or be
```

Trace of strawman stack implementation (array representation)





Benchmarking the strawman stack implementation

StrawStack implements a *fixed-capacity collection that behaves like a stack* if the data fits.

It does *not* implement the stack API or meet the performance specifications.



StrawStack requires client to provide capacity

Stack API

<code>public class Stack<Item></code>	
<code>Stack<Item>()</code> 	<i>create a stack of items, all of type Item</i>
<code>void push(Item item)</code>	<i>add item to stack</i>
 <code>Item pop()</code>	<i>remove and return the item most recently pushed</i>
<code>boolean isEmpty()</code>	<i>is the stack empty?</i>
<code>int size()</code>	<i># of items on the stack</i>

StrawStack works only for strings →

Performance specifications

- All operations are constant-time. ✓
- Memory use is linear in the size of the collection, when it is nonempty. 
- No limits within the code on the collection size. 

Nice try, but need a new *data structure*.

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Data structures: sequential vs. linked

Sequential data structure

- Put objects next to one another.
- Machine: consecutive memory cells.
- Java: array of objects.
- Fixed size, arbitrary access. ← *i*th element

Linked data structure

- Associate with each object a **link** to another one.
- Machine: link is memory address of next object.
- Java: link is reference to next object.
- Variable size, sequential access. ← *next element*
- Overlooked by novice programmers.
- Flexible, widely used method for organizing data.

Array at C0

<i>addr</i>	<i>value</i>
C0	"Alice"
C1	"Bob"
C2	"Carol"
C3	
C4	
C5	
C6	
C7	
C8	
C9	
CA	
CB	

Linked list at C4

<i>addr</i>	<i>value</i>
C0	"Carol"
C1	null
C2	
C3	
C4	"Alice"
C5	CA
C6	
C7	
C8	
C9	
CA	"Bob"
CB	C0

Simplest singly-linked data structure: linked list

Linked list

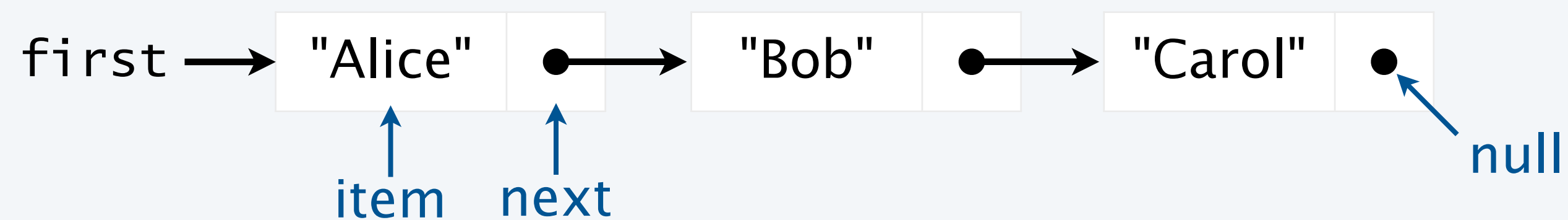
- A recursive data structure.
- **Def.** A *linked list* is null or a reference to a *node*.
- **Def.** A *node* is a data type that contains a reference to a node.
- Unwind recursion: A linked list is a sequence of nodes.

```
private class Node
{
    private String item;
    private Node next;
}
```

Representation

- Use a private **nested class** Node to implement the node abstraction.
- For simplicity, start with nodes having two values: a String and a Node.

A linked list



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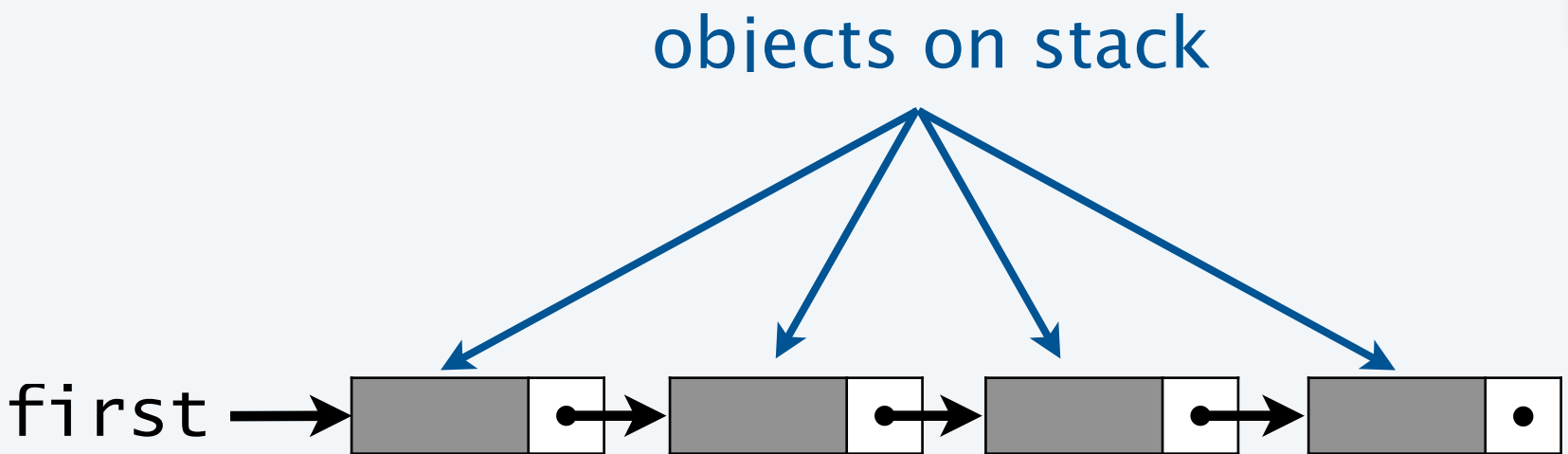
Pushdown stack implementation: Instance variables and constructor

Data structure choice. Use a **linked list** to hold the collection.

```
public class Stack<Item>
{
    private Node first = null;
    private int N = 0;

    private class Node
    {
        private Item item;
        private Node next;
    }
    ...
}
```

use in place of concrete type



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Annoying exception (not a problem here).
Can't declare an array of Item objects (don't ask why).
Need cast: `Item[] a = (Item[]) new Object[N]`

Stack implementation: Test client

```
public static void main(String[] args)
{
    Stack<String> stack = new Stack<String>();
    while (!StdIn.isEmpty())
    {
        String item = StdIn.readString();
        if (item.equals("-"))
            System.out.print(stack.pop() + " ");
        else
            stack.push(item);
    }
    StdOut.println();
}
```

instance variables

constructors

methods

test client

```
% more tobe.txt
to be or not to - be - - that - - - is

% java Stack < tobe.txt
to be not that or be
```

What we *expect*, once the implementation is done.

Stack implementation: Methods

Methods define data-type operations (implement the API).



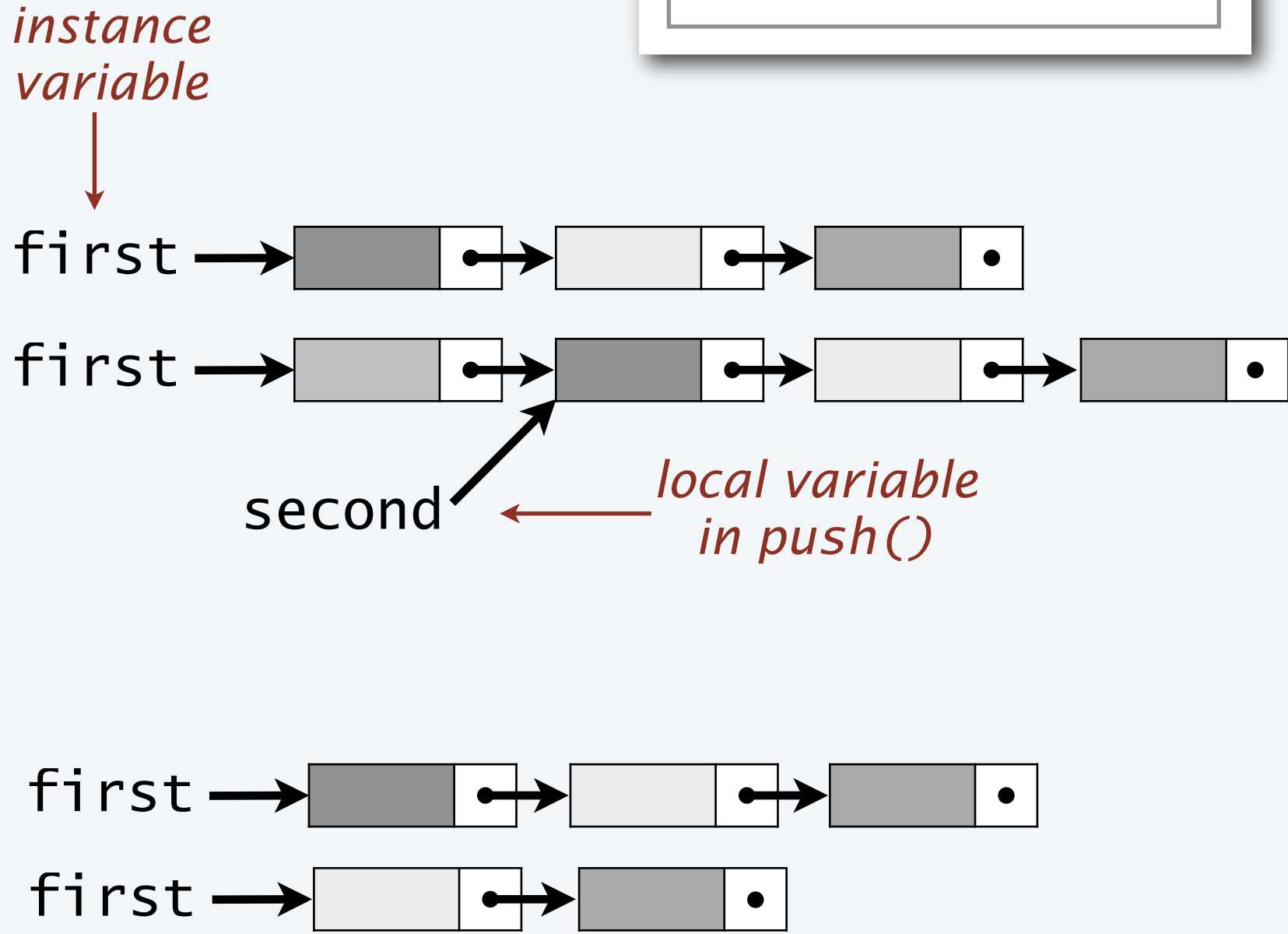
```

public class Stack<Item>
{
...
public boolean isEmpty()
{ return first == null; }
public void push(Item item)
{
    Node second = first;
    first = new Node();
    first.item = item;
    first.next = second;
    N++;
}
public Item pop()
{
    Item item = first.item;
    first = first.next;
    N--;
    return item;
}
public int size()
{ return N; }
...
}
    
```

might also use $N == 0$

add a new node to the beginning of the list

remove and return first item on list



Stack implementation

```
public class Stack<Item>
{
    private Node first = null;
    private int N = 0;
    private class Node
    {
        private Item item;
        private Node next;
    }
    public boolean isEmpty()
    { return first == null; }
    public void push(Item item)
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        N++;
    }
    public Item pop()
    {
        Item item = first.item;
        first = first.next;
        N--;
        return item;
    }
    public int size()
    { return N; }
    public static void main(String[] args)
    { // See earlier slide }
}
```

← instance variables

← nested class

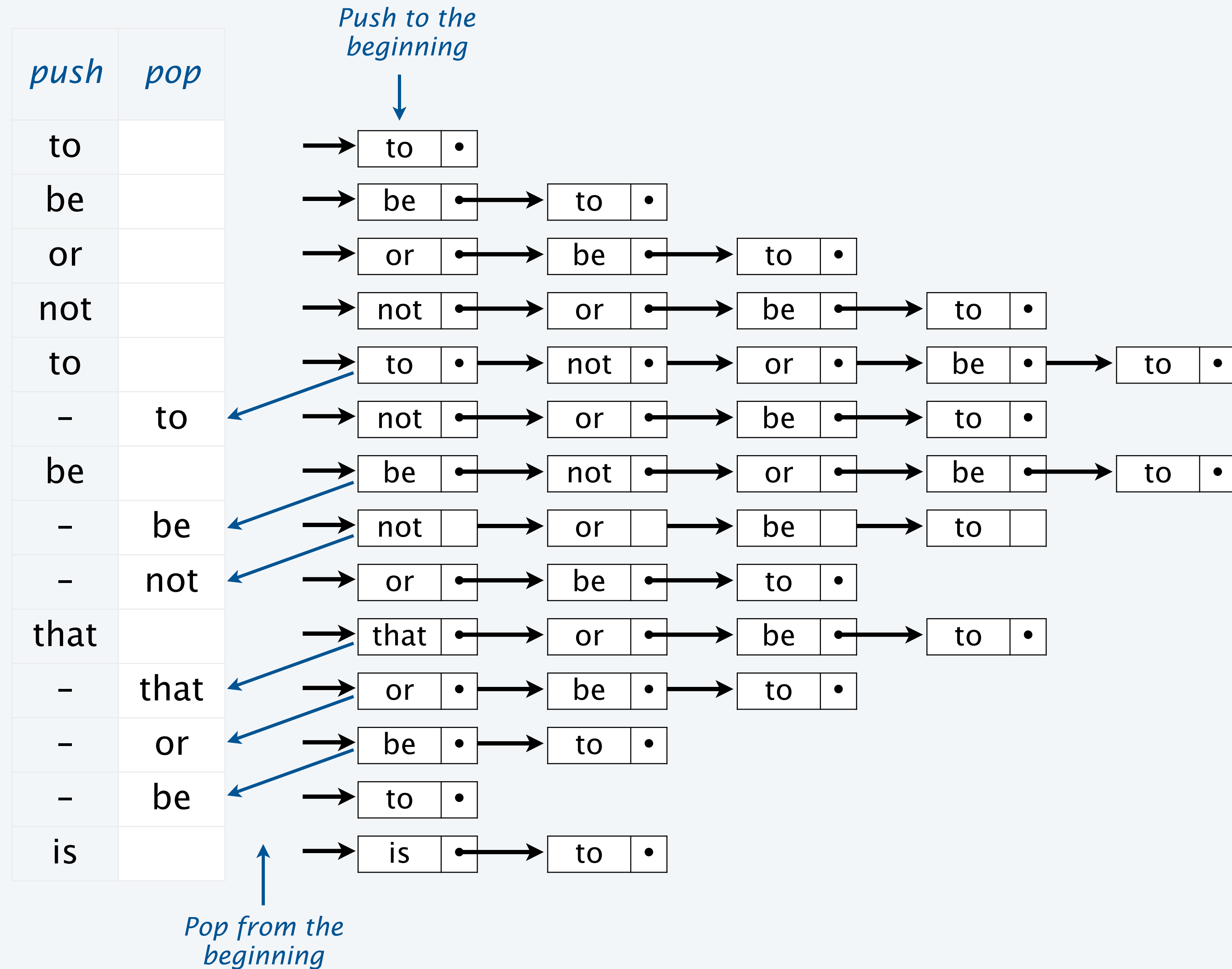
← methods

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Trace of stack implementation (linked list representation)



Benchmarking the stack implementation

Stack implements the stack abstraction.

It *does* implement the API and meet the performance specifications.

Stack API

<code>public class Stack<Item></code>	
<code>Stack<Item>()</code>	<i>create a stack of items, all of type Item</i>
<code>void push(Item item)</code>	<i>add item to stack</i>
<code>Item pop()</code>	<i>remove and return the item most recently pushed</i>
<code>boolean isEmpty()</code>	<i>is the stack empty?</i>
<code>int size()</code>	<i># of items on the stack</i>



Performance specifications

- All operations are constant-time. ✓
- Memory use is linear in the size of the collection, when it is nonempty. ✓
- No limits within the code on the collection size. ✓

Made possible by *linked data structure*.

`dequeue()`: same code as `pop()`
`enqueue()`: slightly more complicated

Also possible to implement the *queue* abstraction with a singly-linked list (see text).

ADT for queues

A **queue** is an idealized model of a FIFO storage mechanism.

An **ADT** allows us to write Java programs that use and manipulate queues.

API

<code>public class Queue<Item></code>	
<code>Queue<Item>()</code>	<i>create a queue of objects, all of type Item</i>
<code>void enqueue(Item item)</code>	<i>push item onto the queue</i>
<code>Item dequeue()</code>	<i>remove and return the object most recently enqueued</i>
<code>boolean isEmpty()</code>	<i>is the queue empty?</i>
<code>int size()</code>	<i># of objects on the queue</i>

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Queue implementation: Instance variables and constructor

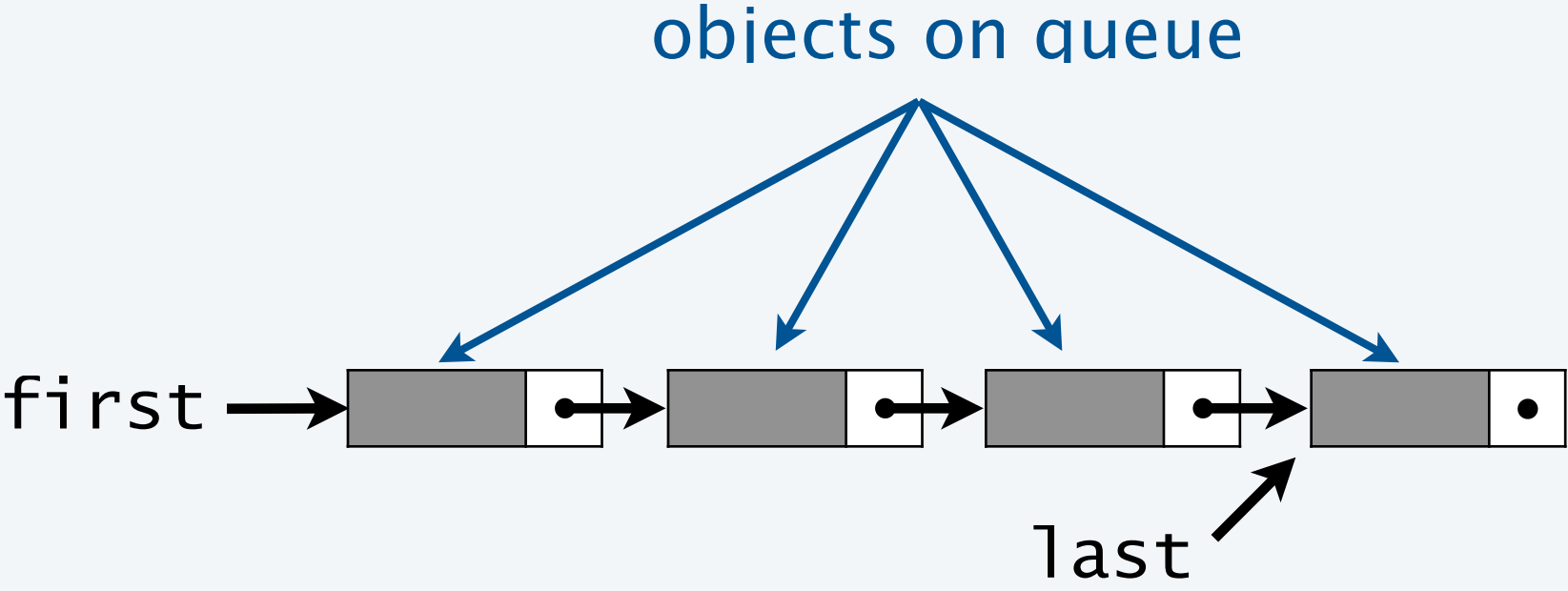
Data structure choice. Use a **linked list** to hold the collection.

```
public class Queue<Item>
{
    private Node first = null;
    private Node last = null;
    private int N = 0;

    private class Node
    {
        private String item;
        private Node next;
    }

    public Queue()
    {
        first = null;
        last = null;
        N = 0;
    }
    ...
}
```

← default constructor
redundant code
not needed



instance variables
constructor
methods
test client

Queue implementation: Test client

```
public static void main(String[] args)
{
    Queue<String> q = new Queue<String>();
    while (!StdIn.isEmpty())
    {
        String item = StdIn.readString();
        if (item.compareTo("-") != 0)
            q.enqueue(item);
        else
            System.out.print(q.dequeue());
    }
    System.out.println();
}
```

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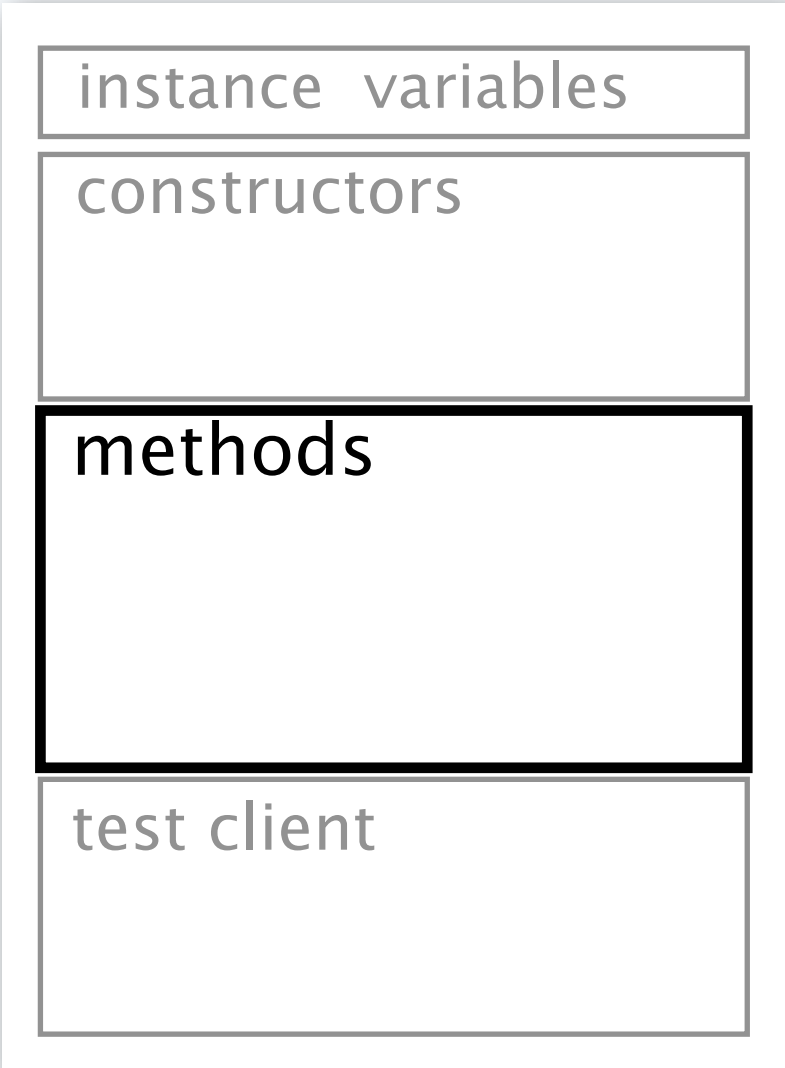
Queue implementation: Methods

Methods define data-type operations (implement the API).

```
public class Queue<Item>
{
  ...
  public boolean isEmpty()
  { return first == null; }
  public void enqueue(Item item)
  {
    last.next = new Node();
    last = last.next;
    last.item = item;
    N++;
  }
  public Item dequeue()
  {
    String item = first.item;
    first = first.next;
    N--;
    return item;
  }
  public int size()
  { return N; }
  ...
}
```

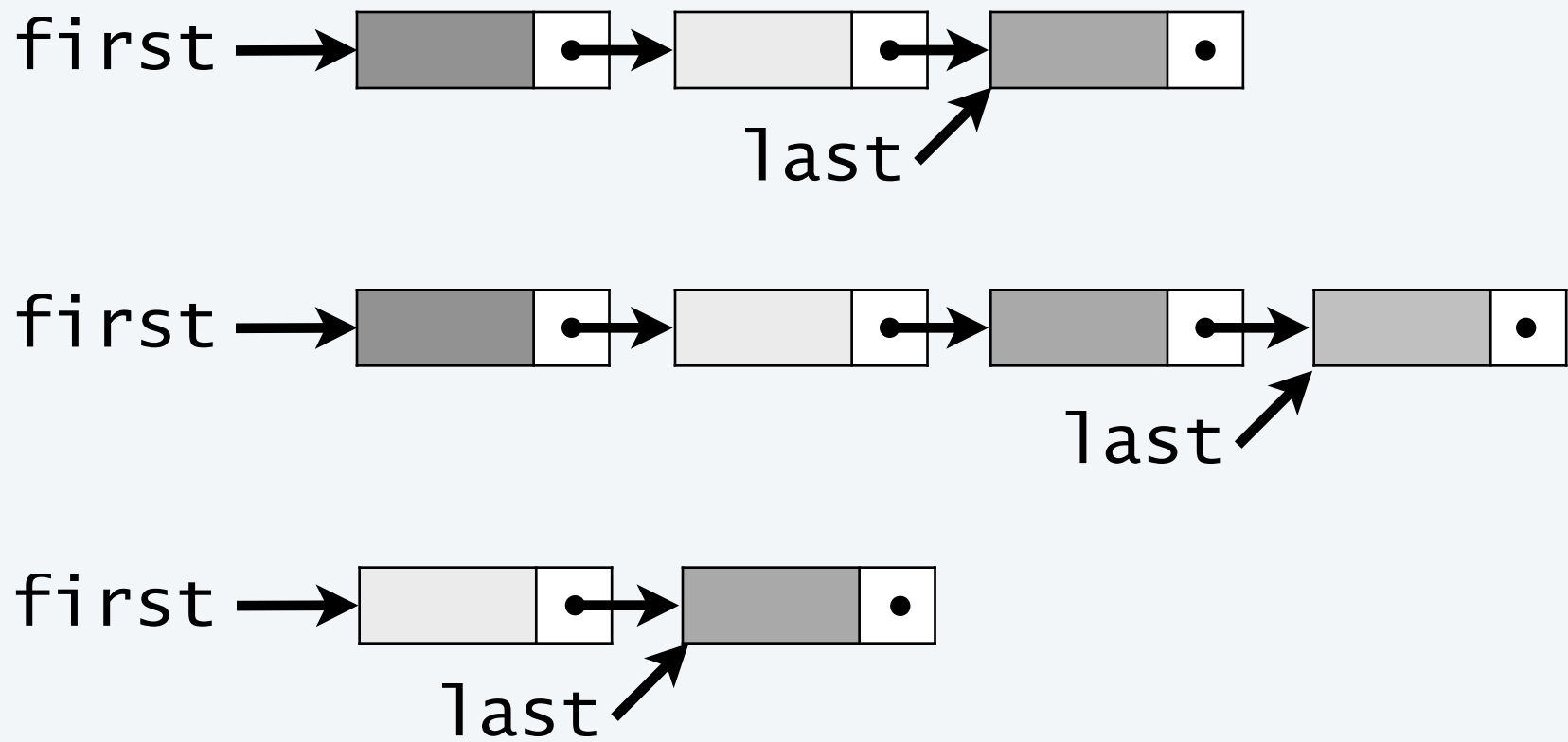
← add a new node to the end of the list

← remove and return first item on list (same as stack pop)



after enqueue()

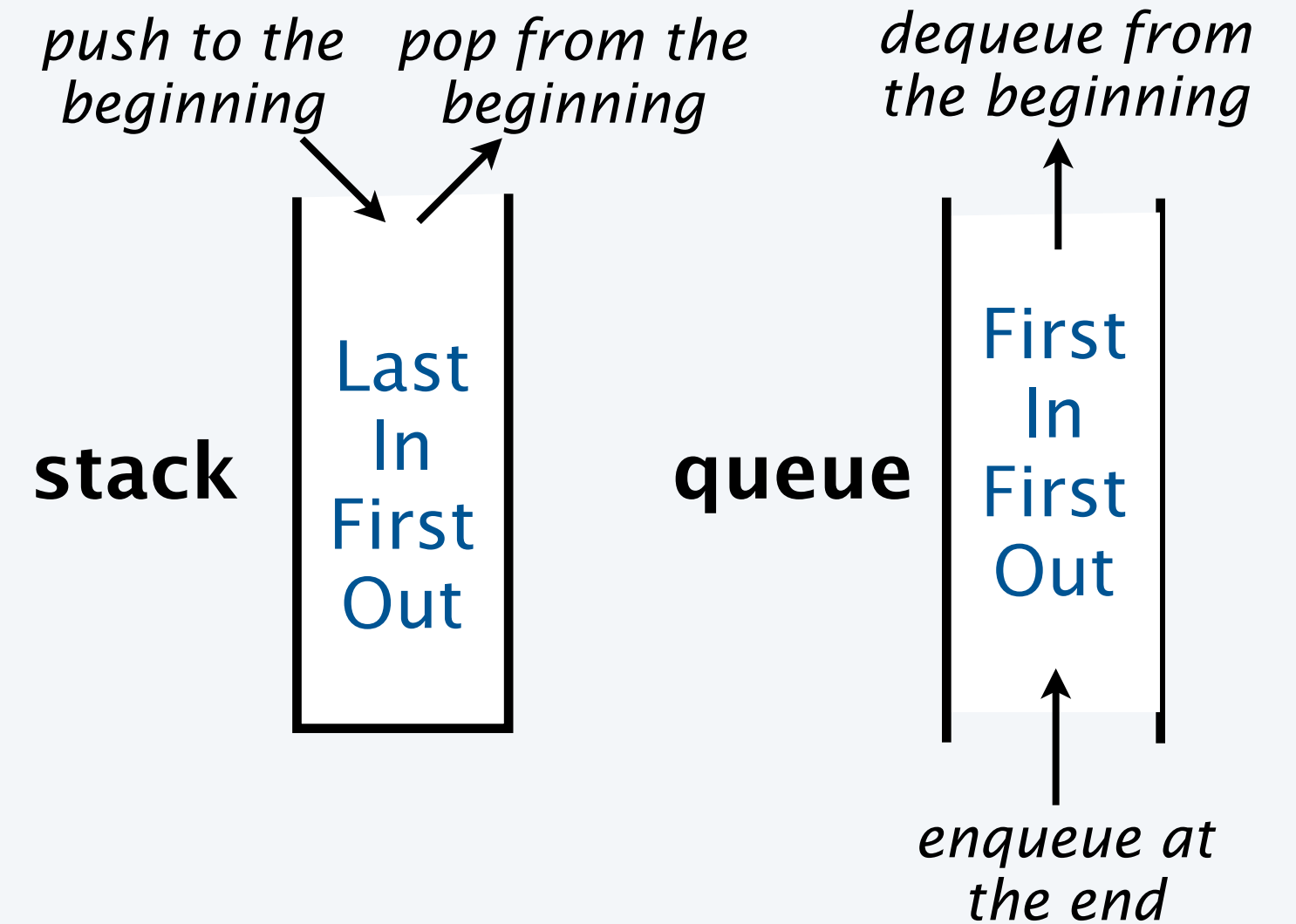
after dequeue()



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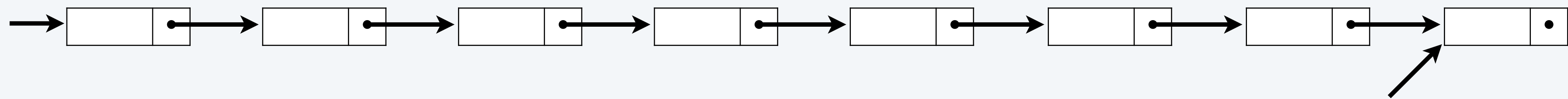
Stacks and queues

- Fundamental collection abstractions.
- Differ only in order in which items are removed.
- Performance specifications: Constant-time for all operations and space linear in the number of objects.



Linked structures

- Fundamental alternative to arrays.
- Enable implementations of the stack/queue abstractions *that meet performance specifications.*



Next: *Symbol tables*

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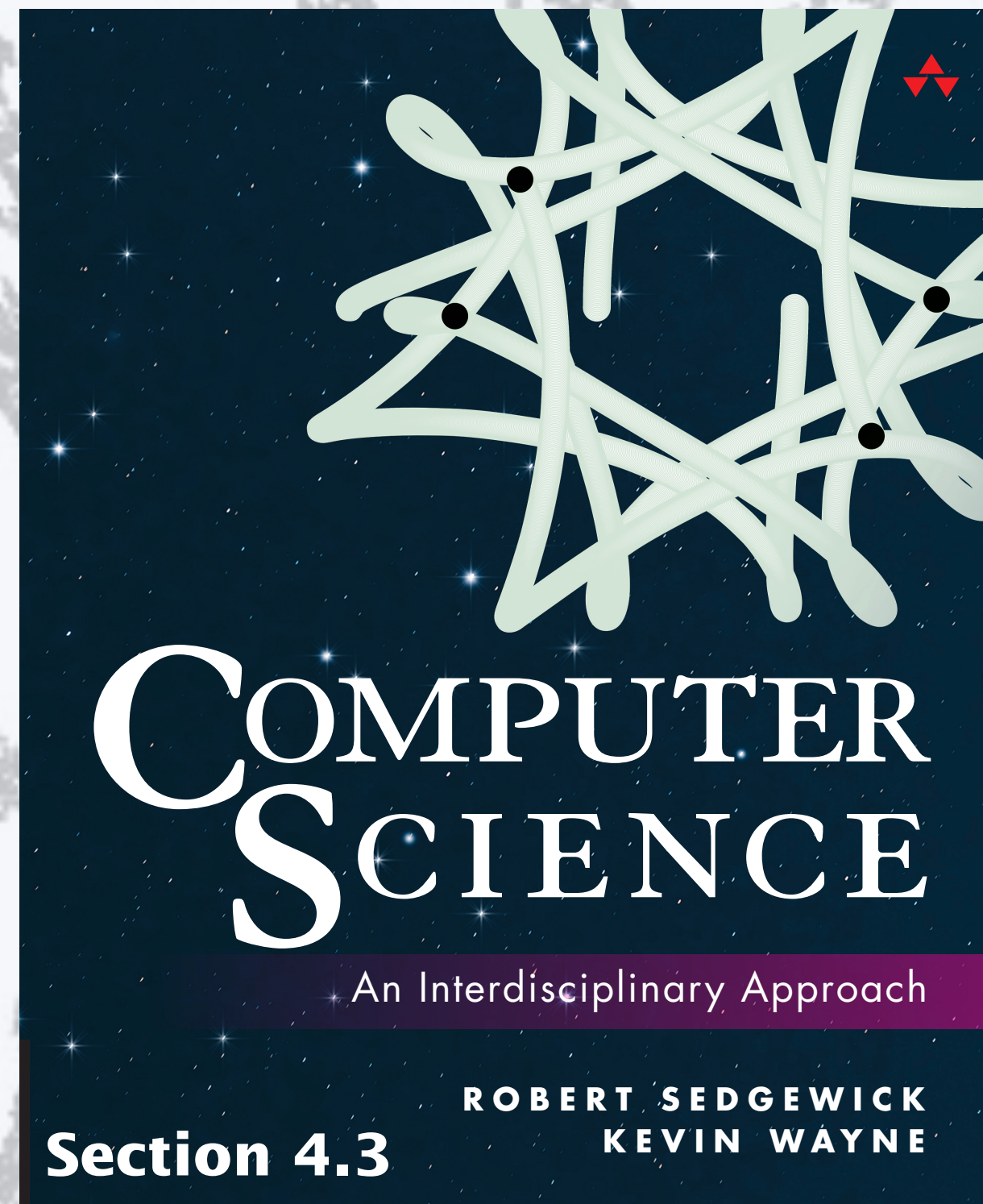
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