Algorithms

FOURTH EDITION

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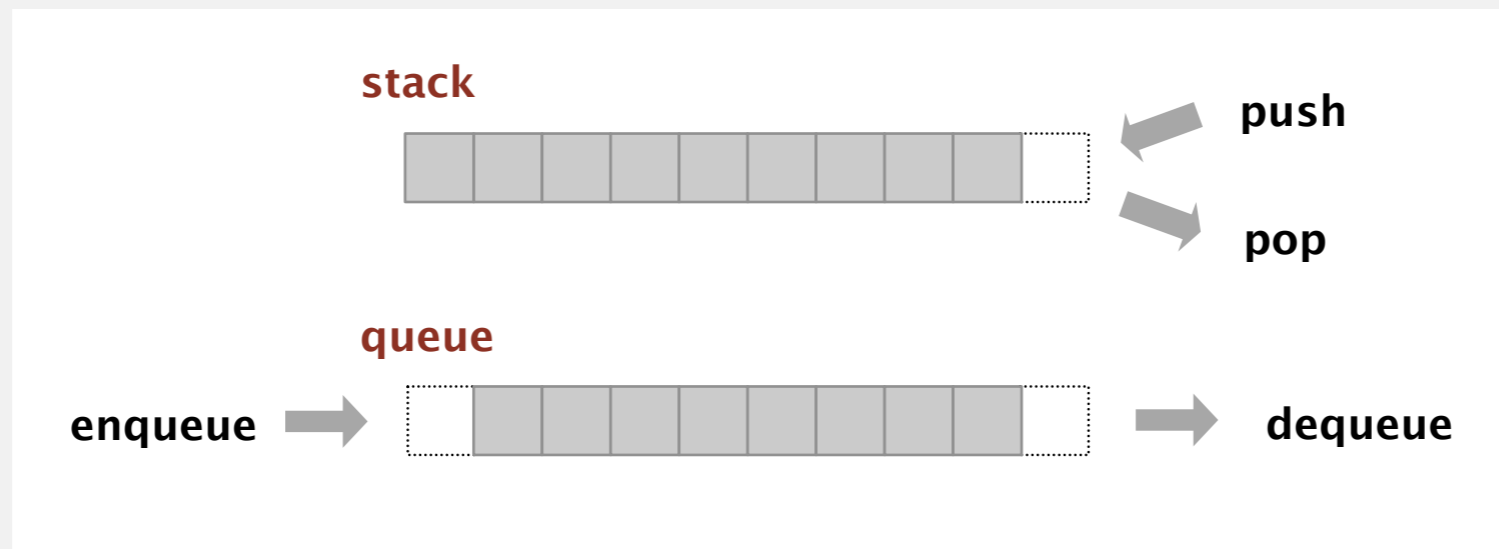http://algs4.cs.princeton.edu

1.3 BAGS, QUEUES, AND STACKS

- ▸ *stacks*
- ▸ *resizing arrays*
- ▸ *queues*
- ▸ *generics*
- ▸ *iterators*
- ▸ *applications*

Stacks and queues

Fundamental data types.

- Value: collection of objects.
- Operations: add, remove, iterate, test if empty.
- Intent is clear when we add.
- Which item do we remove?

Stack. Examine the item most recently added. ⟵ LIFO = "last in first out"

Queue. Examine the item least recently added. ⟵ FIFO = "first in first out"

Client, implementation, interface

Separate interface and implementation.

Ex: stack, queue, bag, priority queue, symbol table, union-find, ...

Benefits.

- Client cannot know details of implementation $\Rightarrow$
  client has many implementation from which to choose.
- Implementation cannot know details of client needs $\Rightarrow$
  many clients can re-use the same implementation.
- Design: creates modular, reusable libraries.
- Performance: substitute optimized implementation when it matters.

> Client: program using operations defined in interface.
>
> Implementation: actual code implementing operations.
>
> Interface: description of data type, basic operations.

1.3 Bags, Queues, and Stacks

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‣ resizing arrays

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Stack API

Warmup API. Stack of strings data type.

```
public class StackOfStrings

             StackOfStrings()        create an empty stack

       void  push(String item)       add a new string to stack

     String  pop()                   remove and return the string
                                     most recently added

    boolean  isEmpty()               is the stack empty?

        int  size()                  number of strings on the stack
```
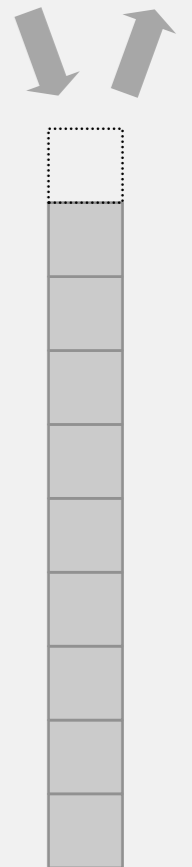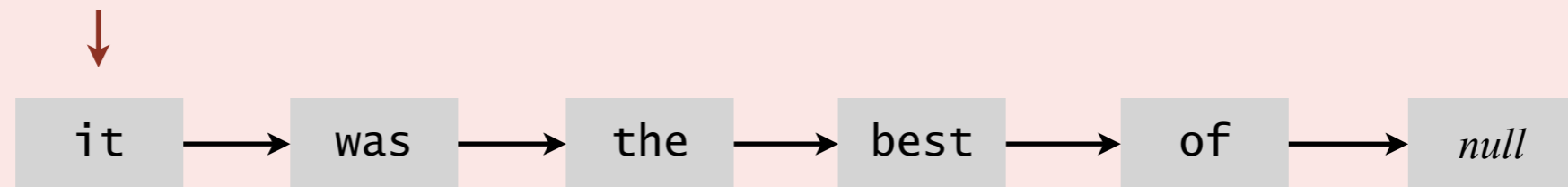
Warmup client. Reverse sequence of strings from standard input.
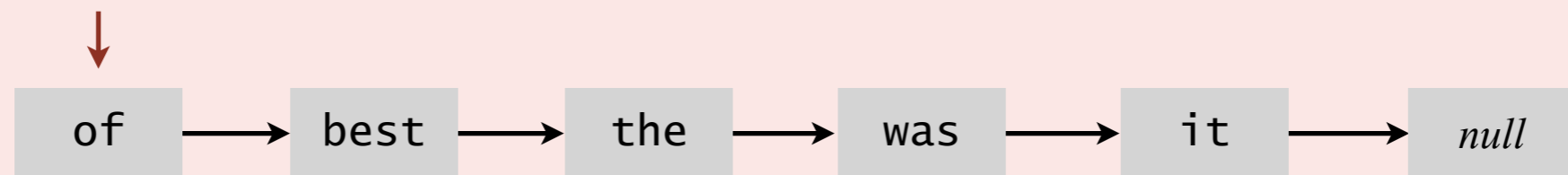
Stacks quiz 1

How to implement a stack with a singly-linked list?

A. least recently added

↓

| it | → | was | → | the | → | best | → | of | → | *null* |

B. most recently added

↓

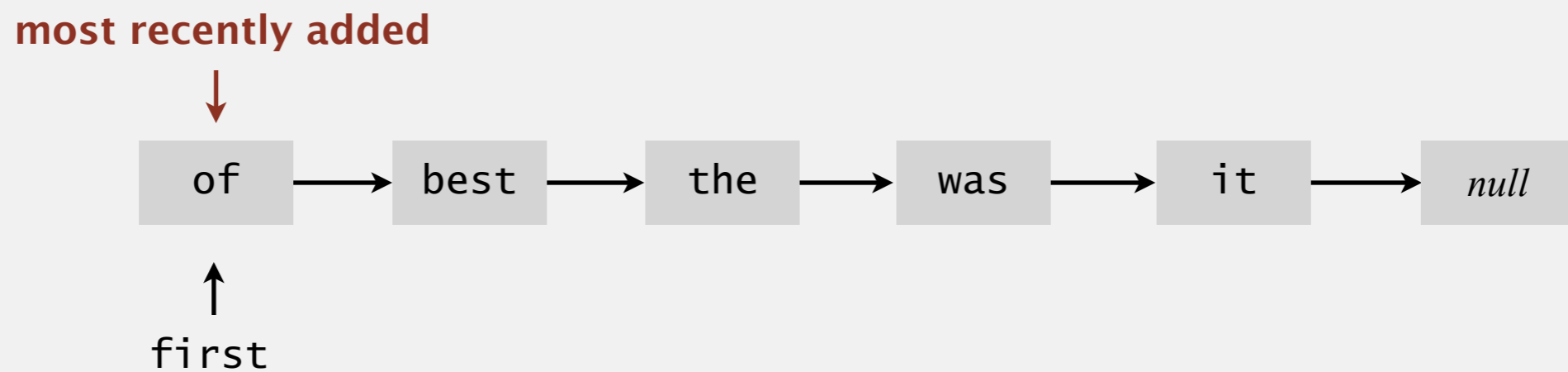| of | → | best | → | the | → | was | → | it | → | *null* |

C. *None of the above.*

D. *I don't know.*

Stack: linked-list implementation

- Maintain pointer `first` to first node in a singly-linked list.
- Push new item before `first`.
- Pop item from `first`.

most recently added
↓

| of | → | best | → | the | → | was | → | it | → | *null* |

↑
`first`

Stack pop: linked-list implementation
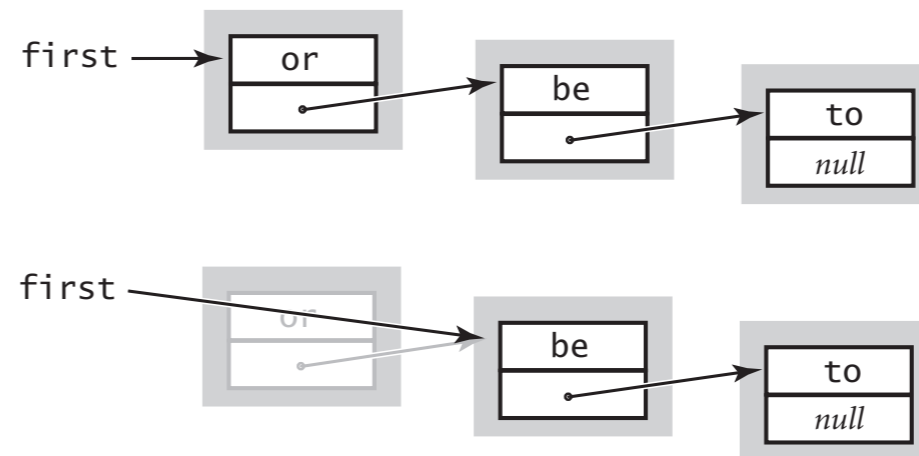
inner class

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

save item to return

```
String item = first.item;
```

delete first node

```
first = first.next;
```


return saved item

```
return item;
```

Stack push: linked-list implementation

```
Node oldfirst = first;
```

inner class

```
private class Node
{
    String item;
    Node next;
}
```
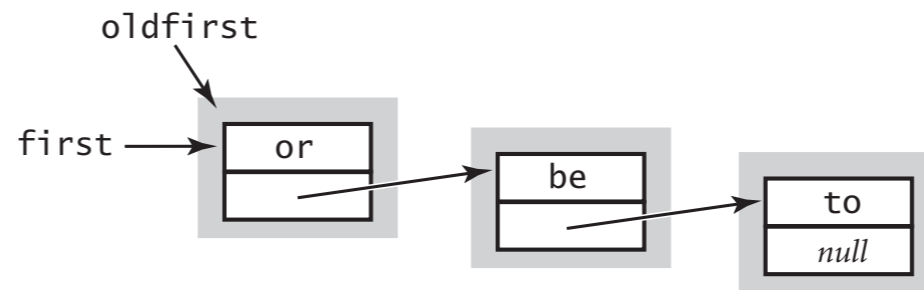
create a new node for the beginning

```
first = new Node();
```
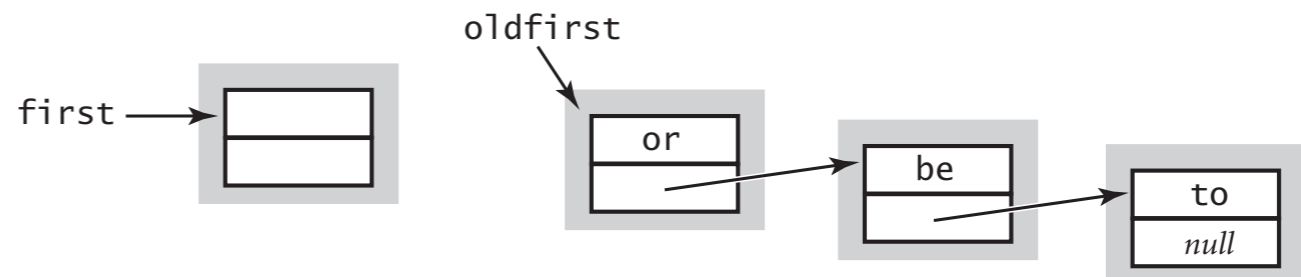
set the instance variables in the new node

```
first.item = "not";
first.next = oldfirst;
```
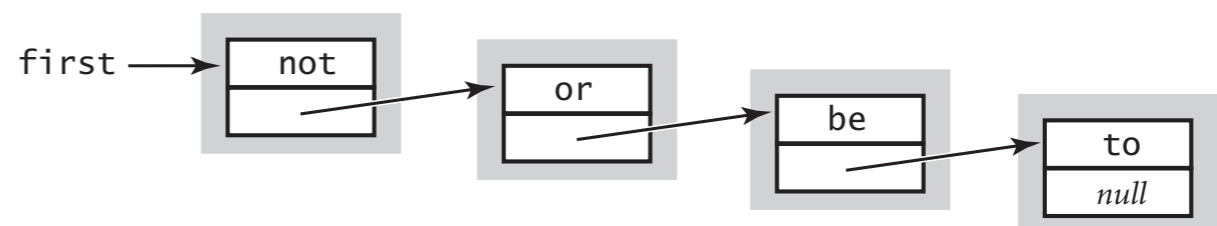
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Stack: linked-list implementation in Java

```java
public class LinkedStackOfStrings
{
    private Node first = null;

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

    public boolean isEmpty()
    {   return first == null;  }

    public void push(String item)
    {
        Node oldfirst = first;
        first = new Node();
        first.item = item;
        first.next = oldfirst;
    }

    public String pop()
    {
        String item = first.item;
        first = first.next;
        return item;
    }
}
```

private inner class
(access modifiers for instance
variables don't matter)

Proposition.   Every operation takes constant time in the worst case.

Proposition. A stack with N items uses $\sim 40\,N$ bytes.

inner class

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

object
overhead

extra
overhead

item

next
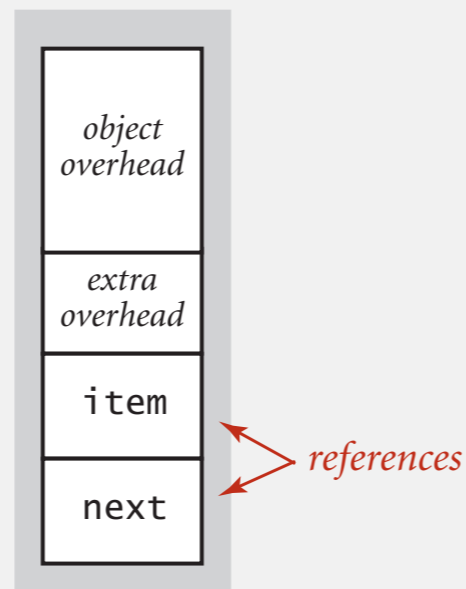
references

16 bytes (object overhead)

8 bytes (inner class extra overhead)

8 bytes (reference to String)

8 bytes (reference to Node)

40 bytes allocated per stack node

Remark. This accounts for the memory for the stack
(but not memory for the strings themselves, which the client owns).

Stacks quiz 2

How to implement a fixed-capacity stack with an array?

A.

least recently added

↓

it	was	the	best	of	times	*null*	*null*	*null*	*null*
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

B.

most recently added

↓

times	of	best	the	was	it	*null*	*null*	*null*	*null*
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
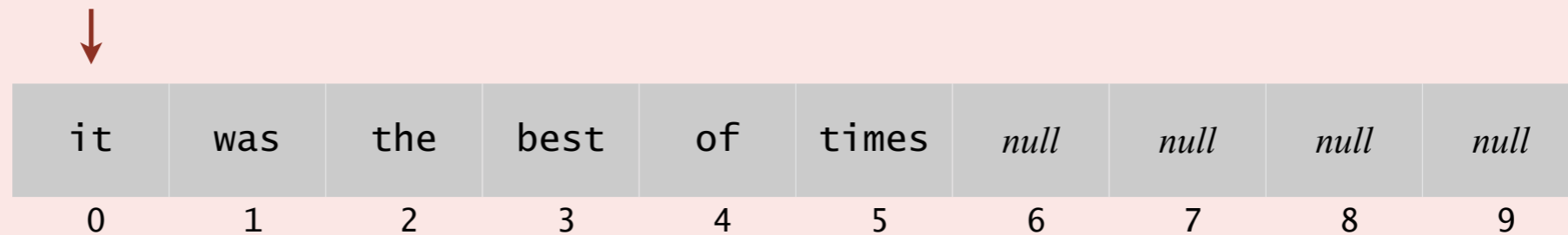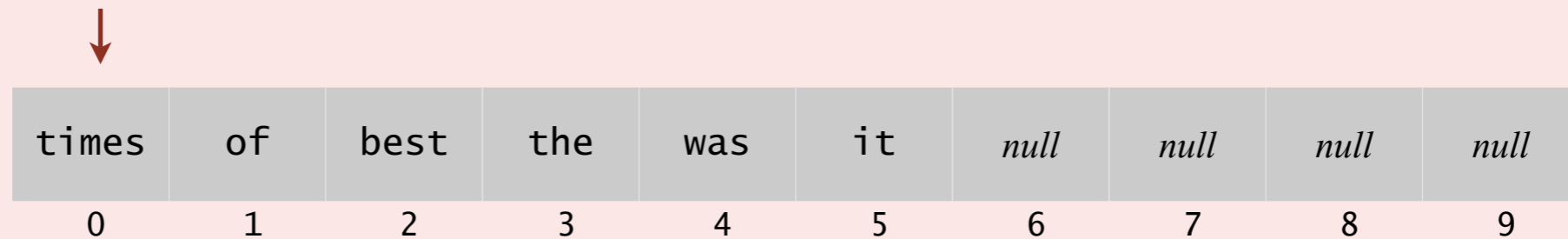
C.   *None of the above.*

D.   *I don't know.*

Fixed-capacity stack: array implementation

- Use array `s[]` to store `N` items on stack.
- `push()`: add new item at `s[N]`.
- `pop()`: remove item from `s[N-1]`.

least recently added
↓

s[]	it	was	the	best	of	times	*null*	*null*	*null*	*null*
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

N   capacity = 10

Defect. Stack overflows when `N` exceeds capacity. [stay tuned]

Fixed-capacity stack: array implementation

```
public class FixedCapacityStackOfStrings
{
   private String[] s;
   private int N = 0;

   public FixedCapacityStackOfStrings(int capacity)
   {  s = new String[capacity];  }

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

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

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

a cheat
(stay tuned)

use to index into array;
then increment N

decrement N;
then use to index into array

Stack considerations

Overflow and underflow.
- Underflow: throw exception if pop from an empty stack.
- Overflow: use "resizing array" for array implementation. [stay tuned]

Null items. We allow null items to be added.

Duplicate items. We allow an item to be added more than once.

Loitering. Holding a reference to an object when it is no longer needed.

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

loitering

```
public String pop()
{
    String item = s[--N];
    s[N] = null;
    return item;
}
```

this version avoids "loitering":
garbage collector can reclaim memory for
an object only if no remaining references

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Stack: resizing-array implementation

Problem. Requiring client to provide capacity does not implement API!

Q. How to grow and shrink array?

First try.

- `push()`: increase size of array `s[]` by 1.
- `pop()`: decrease size of array `s[]` by 1.

Too expensive.   infeasible for large N

- Need to copy all items to a new array, for each operation.
- Array accesses to add first N items = $N + (2 + 4 + \dots + 2(N-1)) \sim N^2$.

1 array access   2(k−1) array accesses to expand to size k
per push   (ignoring cost to create new array)

Challenge. Ensure that array resizing happens infrequently.

Stack: resizing-array implementation

Q. How to grow array?

A. If array is full, create a new array of twice the size, and copy items.

"repeated doubling"

```
public ResizingArrayStackOfStrings()
{   s = new String[1];   }


public void push(String item)
{
    if (N == s.length) resize(2 * s.length);
    s[N++] = item;
}


private void resize(int capacity)
{
    String[] copy = new String[capacity];
    for (int i = 0; i < N; i++)
       copy[i] = s[i];
    s = copy;
}
```

Array accesses to add first $N = 2^i$ items. $N + (2 + 4 + 8 + \ldots + N) \sim 3N.$

1 array access per push

k array accesses to double to size k (ignoring cost to create new array)
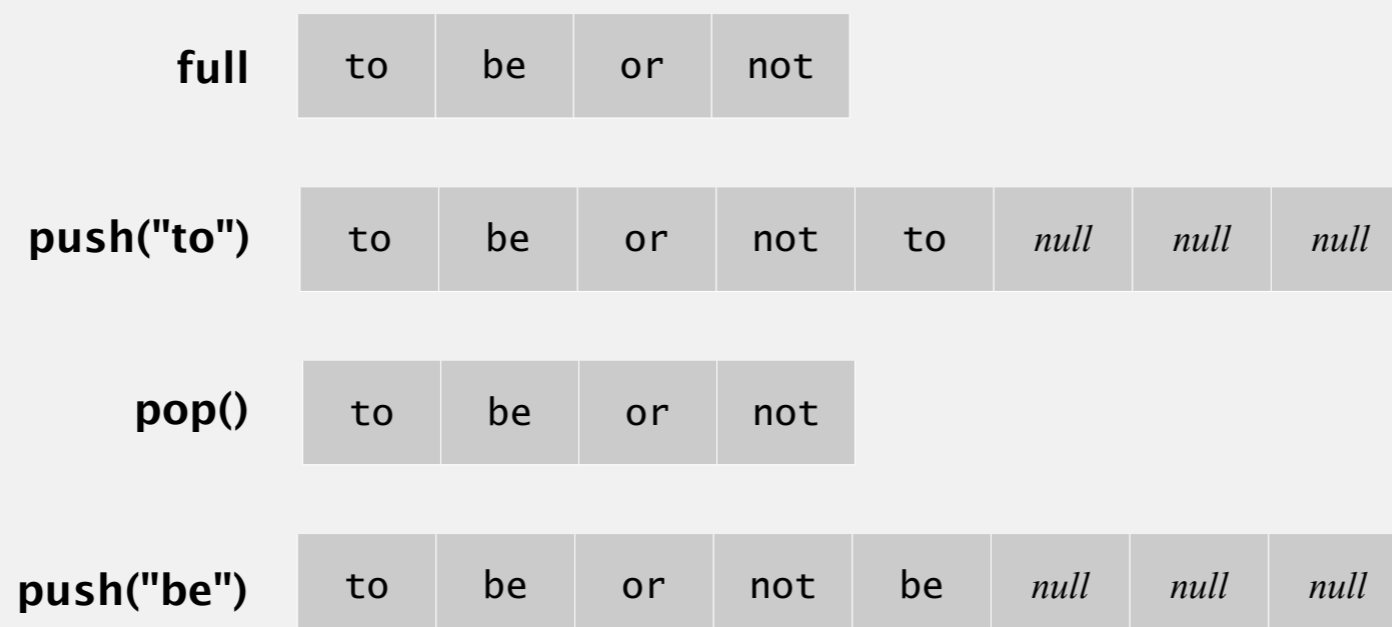
Stack: resizing-array implementation

Q. How to shrink array?

First try.
- push(): double size of array s[] when array is full.
- pop(): halve size of array s[] when array is one-half full.

Too expensive in worst case.
- Consider push-pop-push-pop-… sequence when array is full.
- Each operation takes time proportional to N.

full	to	be	or	not				
push("to")	to	be	or	not	to	*null*	*null*	*null*
pop()	to	be	or	not				
push("be")	to	be	or	not	be	*null*	*null*	*null*

Stack: resizing-array implementation

Q. How to shrink array?

Efficient solution.
- push(): double size of array s[] when array is full.
- pop(): halve size of array s[] when array is one-quarter full.

```java
public String pop()
{
    String item = s[--N];
    s[N] = null;
    if (N > 0 && N == s.length/4) resize(s.length/2);
    return item;
}
```

Invariant. Array is between 25% and 100% full.

Stack resizing-array implementation: performance

Amortized analysis. Starting from an empty data structure, average running time per operation over a worst-case sequence of operations.

Proposition. Starting from an empty stack, any sequence of M push and pop operations takes time proportional to M.

	typical	worst	amortized
construct	1	1	1
push	1	N	1
pop	1	N	1
size	1	1	1

doubling and halving operations

**order of growth of running time
for resizing array stack with N items**

Stack resizing-array implementation: memory usage

Proposition. A `ResizingArrayStackOfStrings` uses $\sim 8\,N$ to $\sim 32\,N$ bytes of memory for a stack with N items.

- $\sim 8\,N$ when full.
- $\sim 32\,N$ when one-quarter full.

```
public class ResizingArrayStackOfStrings
{
    private String[] s;   ⟵——  8 bytes × array size
    private int N = 0;

    …
}
```

Remark. This accounts for the memory for the stack
(but not the memory for strings themselves, which the client owns).

# Stack implementations: resizing array vs. linked list

Tradeoffs. Can implement a stack with either resizing array or linked list;
client can use interchangeably. Which one is better?

Linked-list implementation.
- Every operation takes constant time in the worst case.
- Uses extra time and space to deal with the links.

Resizing-array implementation.
- Every operation takes constant amortized time.
- Less wasted space.
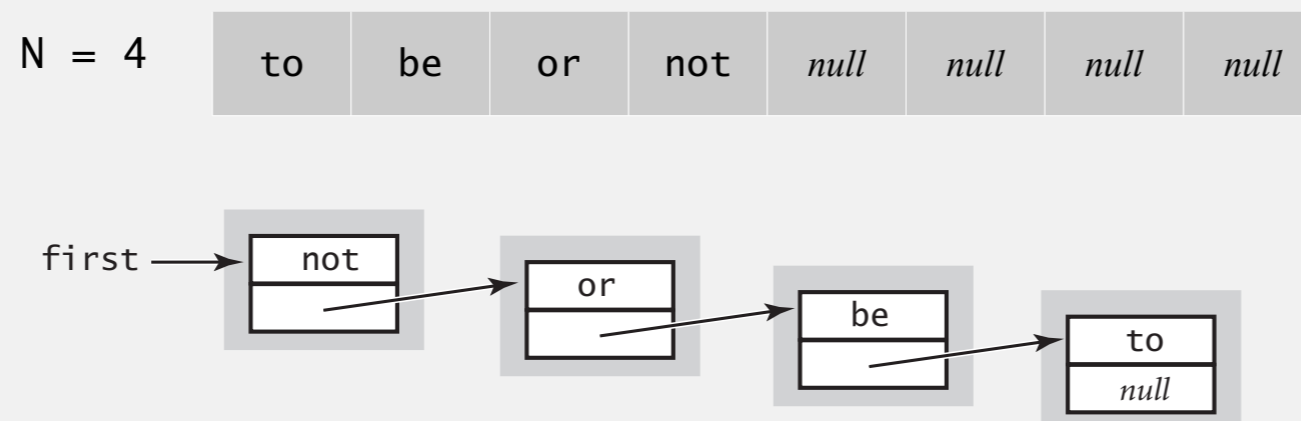
N = 4	to	be	or	not	*null*	*null*	*null*	*null*

first → | not | → | or | → | be | → | to / *null* |

Queue API

```
public class QueueOfStrings

              QueueOfStrings()          create an empty queue

        void  enqueue(String item)      add a new string to queue

      String  dequeue()                 remove and return the string
                                         least recently added

     boolean  isEmpty()                 is the queue empty?

         int  size()                    number of strings on the queue
```
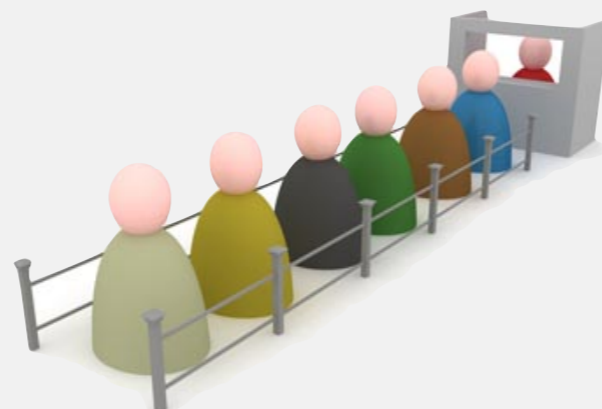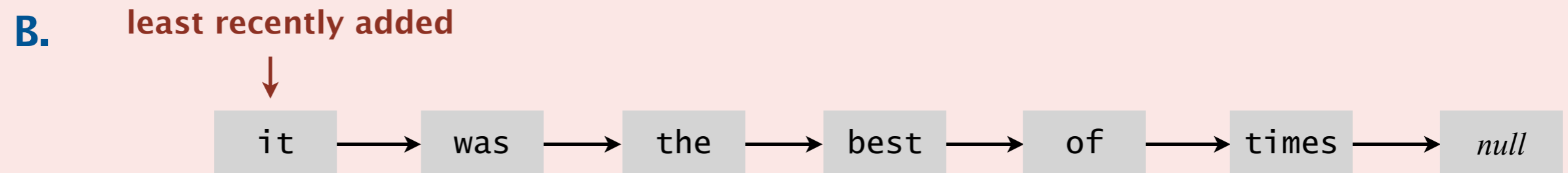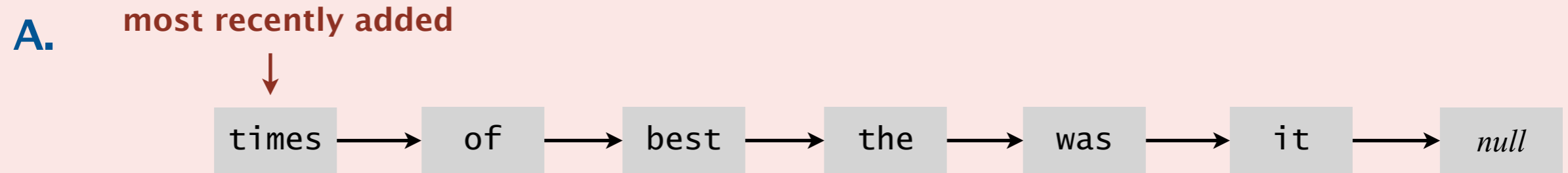
Queues quiz 1

How to implement a queue with a singly-linked linked list?

A.

most recently added
↓

| times | → | of | → | best | → | the | → | was | → | it | → | *null* |

B.

least recently added
↓

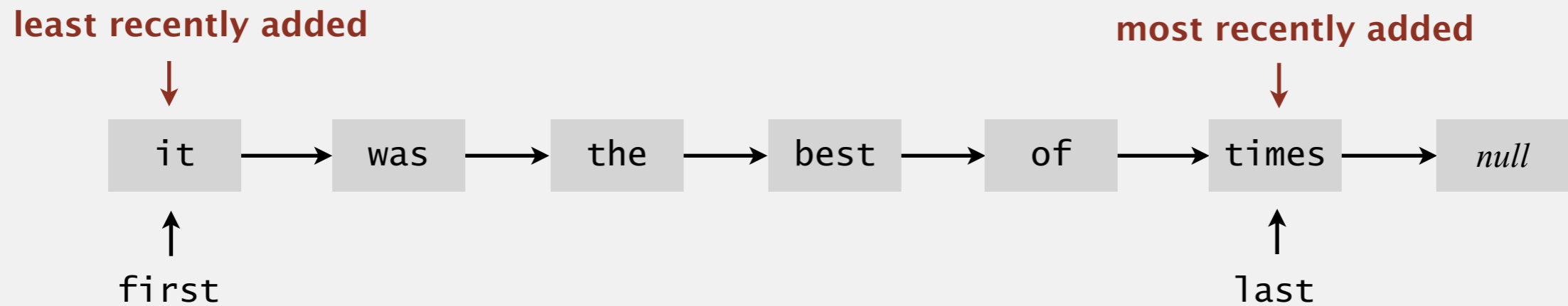| it | → | was | → | the | → | best | → | of | → | times | → | *null* |

C.   *None of the above.*

D.   *I don't know.*

Queue: linked-list implementation

- Maintain one pointer `first` to first node in a singly-linked list.
- Maintain another pointer `last` to last node.
- Dequeue from `first`.
- Enqueue after `last`.

least recently added   **most recently added**

| it | → | was | → | the | → | best | → | of | → | times | → | *null* |

first   last

Queue dequeue: linked-list implementation

save item to return

```
String item = first.item;
```

delete first node

```
first = first.next;
```

inner class

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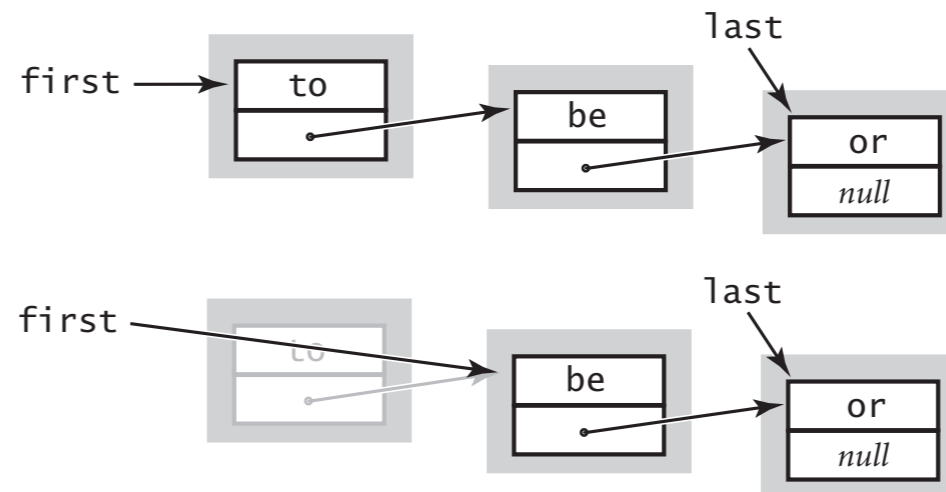

return saved item

```
return item;
```

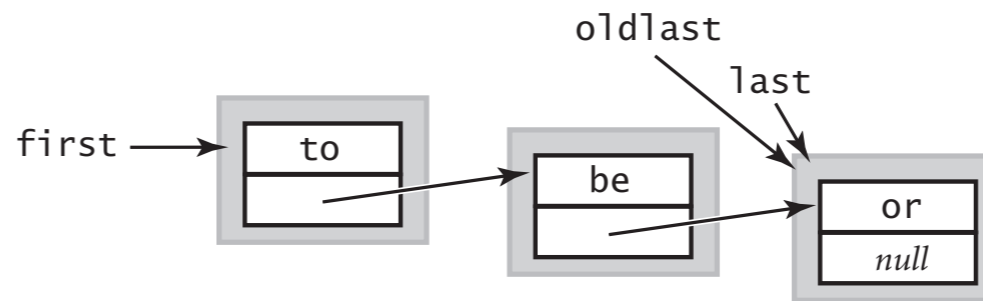**Remark.** Identical code to linked-list stack `pop()`.

Queue enqueue: linked-list implementation

inner class

```
private class Node
{
    String item;
    Node next;
}
```
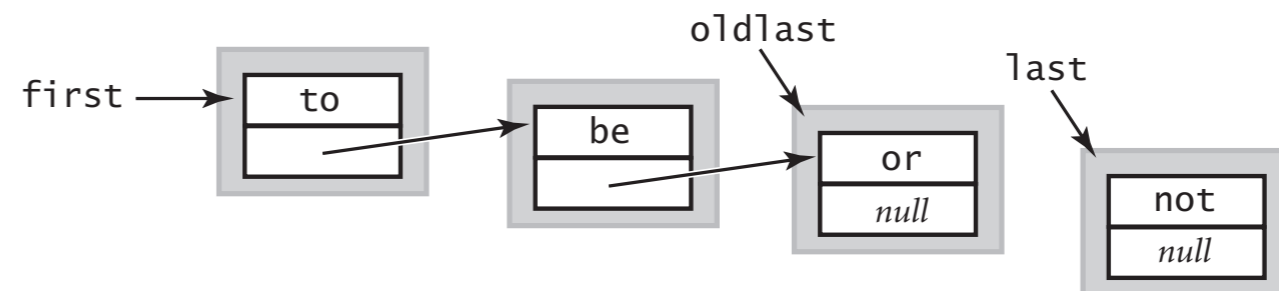
save a link to the last node

```
Node oldlast = last;
```
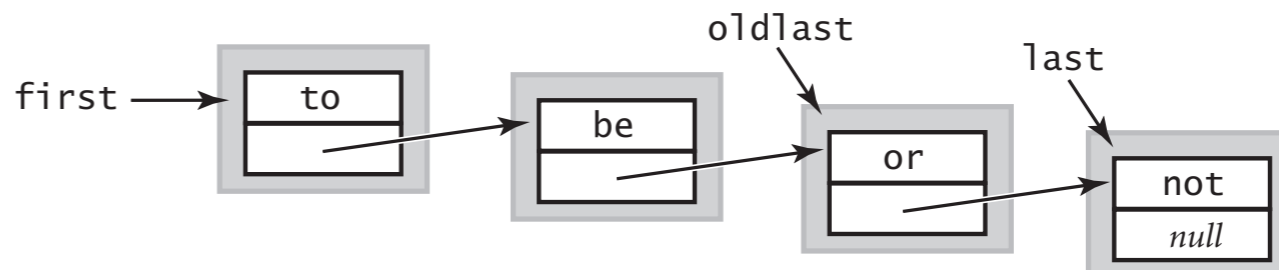

create a new node for the end

```
last = new Node();
last.item = "not";
```


link the new node to the end of the list

```
oldlast.next = last;
```

Queue: linked-list implementation in Java

```java
public class LinkedQueueOfStrings
{
   private Node first, last;

   private class Node
   {  /* same as in LinkedStackOfStrings */  }

   public boolean isEmpty()
   {  return first == null;  }

   public void enqueue(String item)
   {
      Node oldlast = last;
      last = new Node();
      last.item = item;
      last.next = null;
      if (isEmpty()) first = last;
      else           oldlast.next = last;
   }

   public String dequeue()
   {
      String item = first.item;
      first       = first.next;
      if (isEmpty()) last = null;
      return item;
   }
}
```
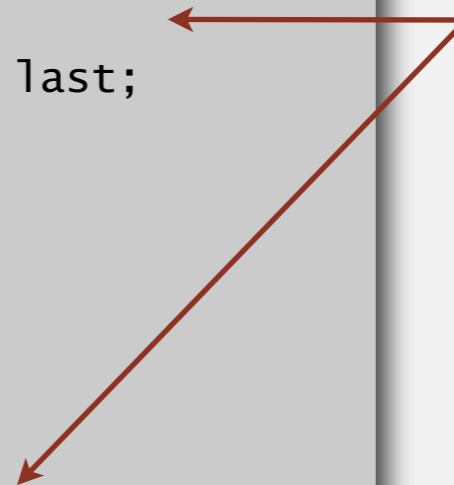
special cases for
empty queue

Queues quiz 2

How to implement a fixed-capacity queue with an array?

A.   least recently added

↓

it	was	the	best	of	times	*null*	*null*	*null*	*null*
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

B.

most recently added

↓

times	of	best	the	was	it	*null*	*null*	*null*	*null*
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
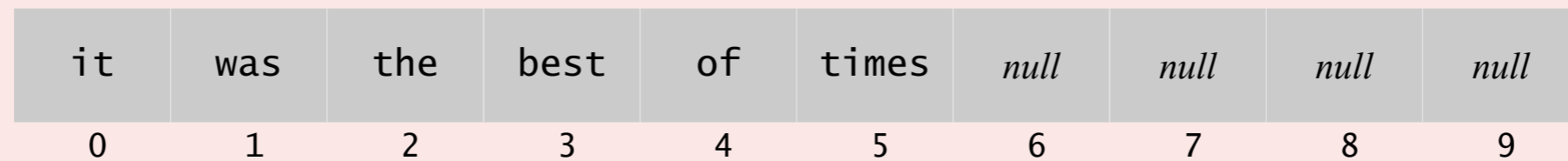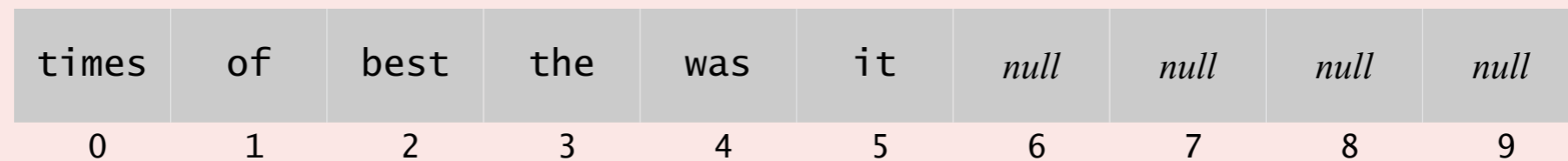
C.   *None of the above.*

D.   *I don't know.*

Queue: resizing-array implementation

- Use array `q[]` to store items in queue.
- `enqueue()`: add new item at `q[tail]`.
- `dequeue()`: remove item from `q[head]`.
- Update `head` and `tail` modulo the `capacity`.
- Add resizing array.

least recently added   **most recently added**

q[]	*null*	*null*	the	best	of	times	*null*	*null*	*null*	*null*
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

head   tail   capacity = 10

Q. How to resize?

Problem. Implement a queue with two stacks so that:

- Each queue op uses a constant amortized number of stack ops.
- At most constant extra memory (besides two stacks).

Applications.

- Job interview.
- Implement an immutable or persistent queue.
- Implement a queue in a (purely) functional programming language.

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Parameterized stack
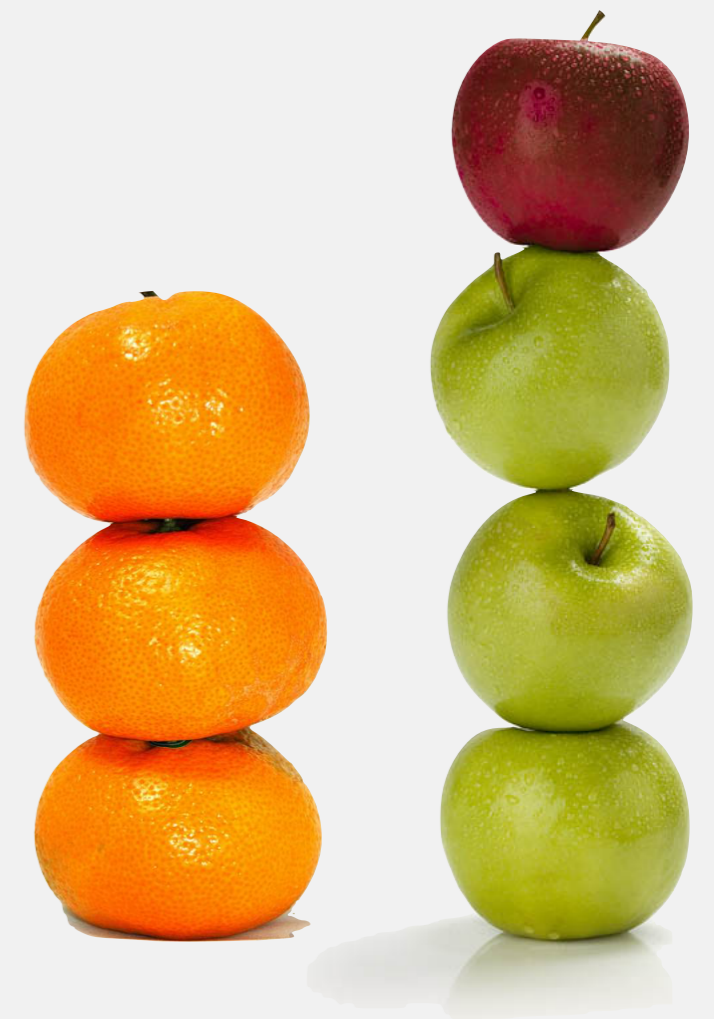
We implemented: `StackOfStrings.`

We also want: `StackOfURLs, StackOfInts, StackOfApples, StackOfOranges, ....`

Solution in Java: generics.

type parameter
(use both to specify type and to call constructor)

```
Stack<Apple> stack = new Stack<Apple>();
Apple apple = new Apple();
Orange orange = new Orange();
stack.push(apple);
stack.push(orange);          ← compile-time error
...
```

Generic stack: linked-list implementation

```java
public class LinkedStackOfStrings
{
   private Node first = null;

   private class Node
   {
      String item;
      Node next;
   }

   public boolean isEmpty()
   {  return first == null;  }

   public void push(String item)
   {
      Node oldfirst = first;
      first = new Node();
      first.item = item;
      first.next = oldfirst;
   }

   public String pop()
   {
      String item = first.item;
      first = first.next;
      return item;
   }
}
```

```java
public class Stack<Item>
{
   private Node first = null;

   private class Node
   {
      Item item;
      Node next;
   }

   public boolean isEmpty()
   {  return first == null;  }

   public void push(Item item)
   {
      Node oldfirst = first;
      first = new Node();
      first.item = item;
      first.next = oldfirst;
   }

   public Item pop()
   {
      Item item = first.item;
      first = first.next;
      return item;
   }
}
```
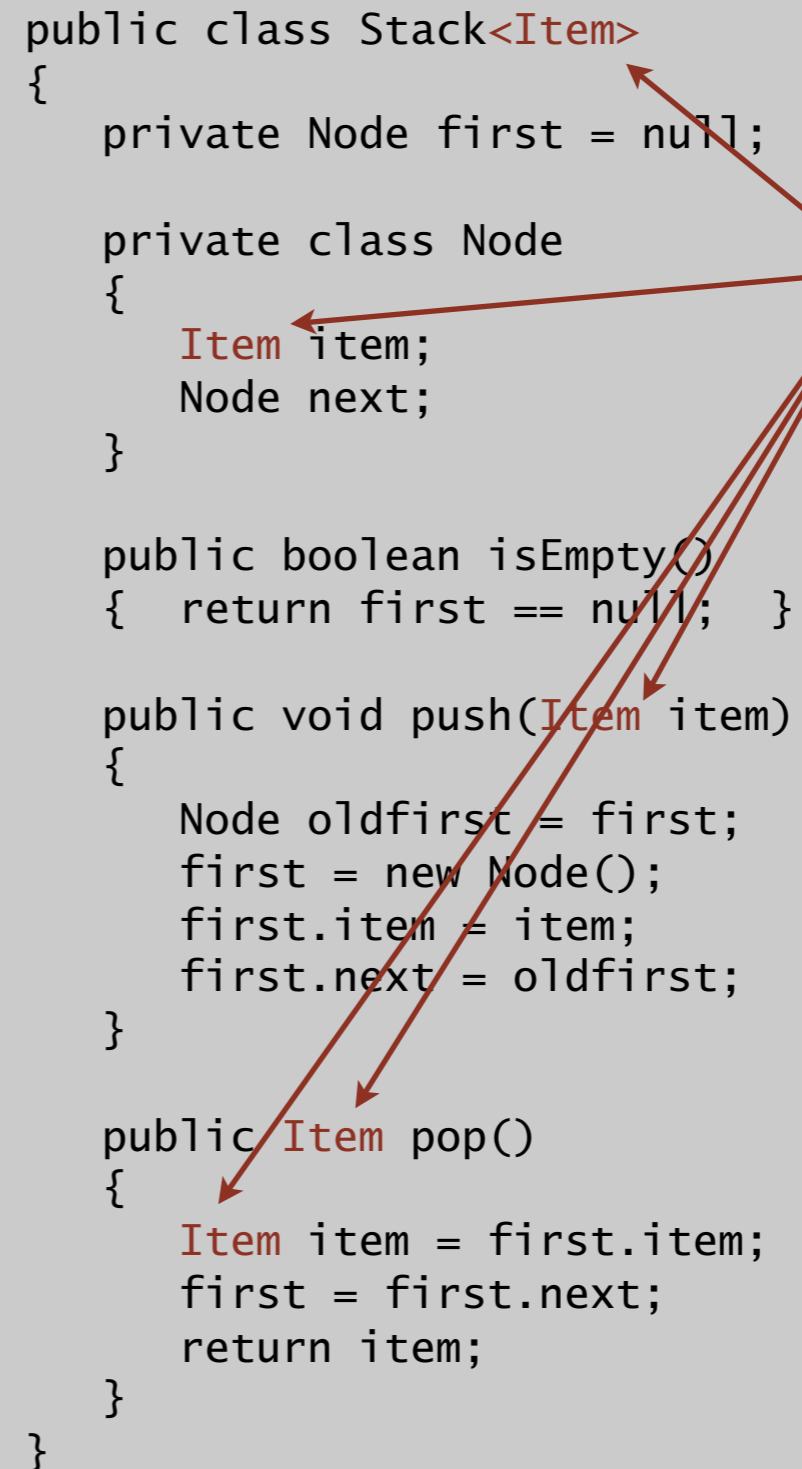
generic type name

Generic stack: array implementation

the way it should be

```
public class FixedCapacityStackOfStrings
{
   private String[] s;
   private int N = 0;

   public ..StackOfStrings(int capacity)
   {  s = new String[capacity];  }

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

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

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

```
public class FixedCapacityStack<Item>
{
   private Item[] s;
   private int N = 0;

   public FixedCapacityStack(int capacity)
   {  s = new Item[capacity];  }

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

   public void push(Item item)
   {  s[N++] = item;  }

   public Item pop()
   {  return s[--N];  }
}
```

@#$*! generic array creation not allowed in Java

Generic stack: array implementation

```
public class FixedCapacityStackOfStrings
{
   private String[] s;
   private int N = 0;

   public ..StackOfStrings(int capacity)
   {  s = new String[capacity];  }

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

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

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

```
public class FixedCapacityStack<Item>
{
   private Item[] s;
   private int N = 0;

   public FixedCapacityStack(int capacity)
   {  s = (Item[]) new Object[capacity]; }

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

   public void push(Item item)
   {  s[N++] = item;  }

   public Item pop()
   {  return s[--N];  }
}
```

the ugly cast

Unchecked cast

```
% javac FixedCapacityStack.java
Note: FixedCapacityStack.java uses unchecked or unsafe operations.
Note: Recompile with -Xlint:unchecked for details.


% javac -Xlint:unchecked FixedCapacityStack.java
FixedCapacityStack.java:26: warning: [unchecked] unchecked cast
found   : java.lang.Object[]
required: Item[]
        a = (Item[]) new Object[capacity];
                     ^
1 warning
```

Q. Why does Java make me cast (or use reflection)?

Short answer.   Backward compatibility.

Long answer. Need to learn about type erasure and covariant arrays.

Generic data types: autoboxing

Q. What to do about primitive types?

Wrapper type.
- Each primitive type has a wrapper object type.
- Ex: `Integer` is wrapper type for `int`.

Autoboxing. Automatic cast between a primitive type and its wrapper.

```
Stack<Integer> stack = new Stack<Integer>();
stack.push(17);          // stack.push(Integer.valueOf(17));
int a = stack.pop();     // int a = stack.pop().intValue();
```

Bottom line. Client code can use generic stack for any type of data.

Which of the following is the correct way to declare and initialize an empty stack of characters?

    A. `Stack<Character> stack = new Stack();`

    B. `Stack stack = new Stack<Character>();`

    C. `Stack<Character> stack = new Stack<Character>();`

    D. `Stack<char> stack = new Stack<char>();`

    E.   *None of the above.*

1.3 BAGS, QUEUES, AND STACKS

Algorithms

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- ▸ stacks
- ▸ resizing arrays
- ▸ queues
- ▸ generics
- ▸ *iterators* ← see precept
- ▸ applications

Iteration

Design challenge. Support iteration over stack items by client,
without revealing the internal representation of the stack.

resizing-array representation

i   N

s[]

it	was	the	best	of	times	*null*	*null*	*null*	*null*
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
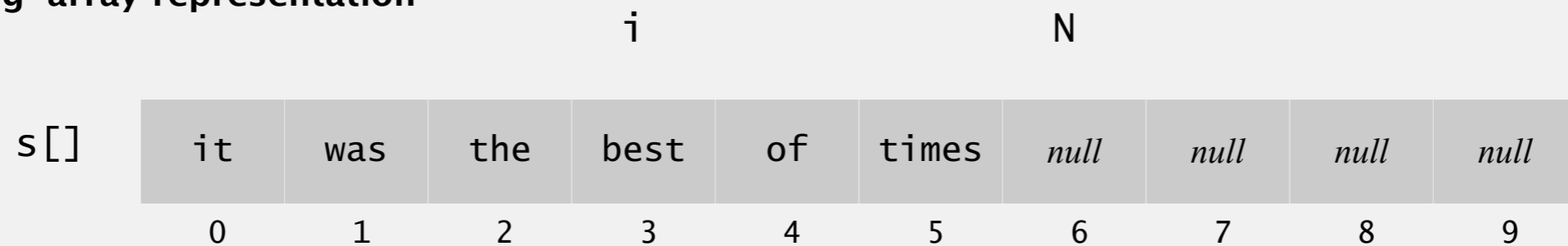
linked-list representation

first   current

times ⟶ of ⟶ best ⟶ the ⟶ was ⟶ it ⟶ *null*
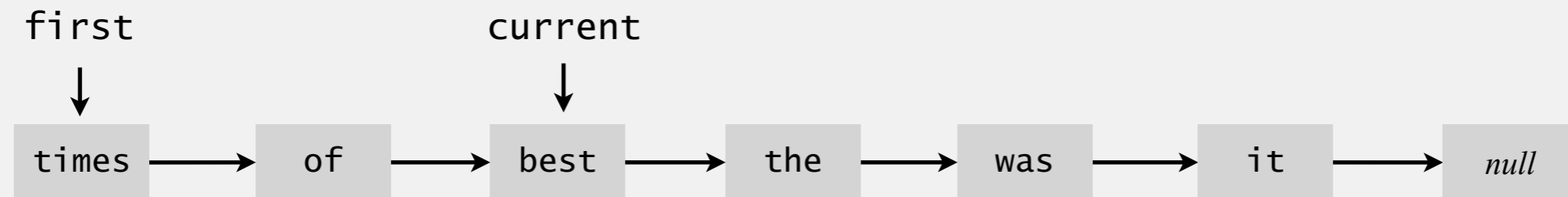
Java solution. Use a foreach loop.

Foreach loop

Java provides elegant syntax for iteration over collections.

"foreach" loop (shorthand)

```
Stack<String> stack;
...

for (String s : stack)
    ...
```

equivalent code (longhand)

```
Stack<String> stack;
...

Iterator<String> i = stack.iterator();
while (i.hasNext())
{
    String s = i.next();
    ...
}
```

To make user-defined collection support foreach loop:
- Data type must have a method named `iterator()`.
- The `iterator()` method returns an object that has two core method.
  - the `hasNext()` methods returns `false` when there are no more items
  - the `next()` method returns the next item in the collection

Iterators

To support foreach loops, Java provides two interfaces.

- `Iterator` interface: `next()` and `hasNext()` methods.
- `Iterable` interface: `iterator()` method that returns an `Iterator`.
- Both should be used with generics.

java.util.Iterator interface

```
public interface Iterator<Item>
{
    boolean hasNext();
    Item next();
    void remove();        optional; use
                          at your own risk
}
```

java.lang.Iterable interface

```
public interface Iterable<Item>
{
    Iterator<Item> iterator();
}
```

Type safety.

- Data type must use these interfaces to support foreach loop.
- Client program won't compile if implementation doesn't.

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Stack iterator: linked-list implementation

```java
import java.util.Iterator;

public class Stack<Item> implements Iterable<Item>
{
    ...

    public Iterator<Item> iterator() { return new ListIterator(); }

    private class ListIterator implements Iterator<Item>
    {
        private Node current = first;

        public boolean hasNext() {  return current != null;  }
        public void remove()     {  /* not supported */      }
        public Item next()
        {
            Item item = current.item;
            current    = current.next;
            return item;
        }
    }
}
```
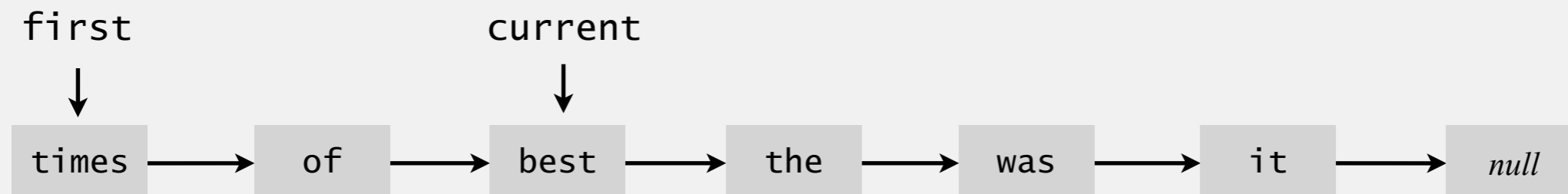
throw UnsupportedOperationException

throw NoSuchElementException
if no more items in iteration

first   current

times → of → best → the → was → it → *null*

Stack iterator: array implementation

```java
import java.util.Iterator;

public class Stack<Item> implements Iterable<Item>
{
    ...

    public Iterator<Item> iterator()
    {  return new ReverseArrayIterator();  }

    private class ReverseArrayIterator implements Iterator<Item>
    {
        private int i = N;

        public boolean hasNext() {  return i > 0;           }
        public void remove()     {  /* not supported */  }
        public Item next()       {  return s[--i];          }
    }
}
```

	i					N			
s[]	it	was	the	best	of	times	null	null	null	null
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

Bag API

Main application. Adding items to a collection and iterating
(when order doesn't matter).

public class Bag<Item> implements Iterable<Item>	
Bag()	*create an empty bag*
void add(Item x)	*add a new item to bag*
int size()	*number of items in bag*
Iterator<Item> iterator()	*iterator for all items in bag*

add(●)

add(●)

for (Marble m : bag)

*process each marble m
(in any order)*
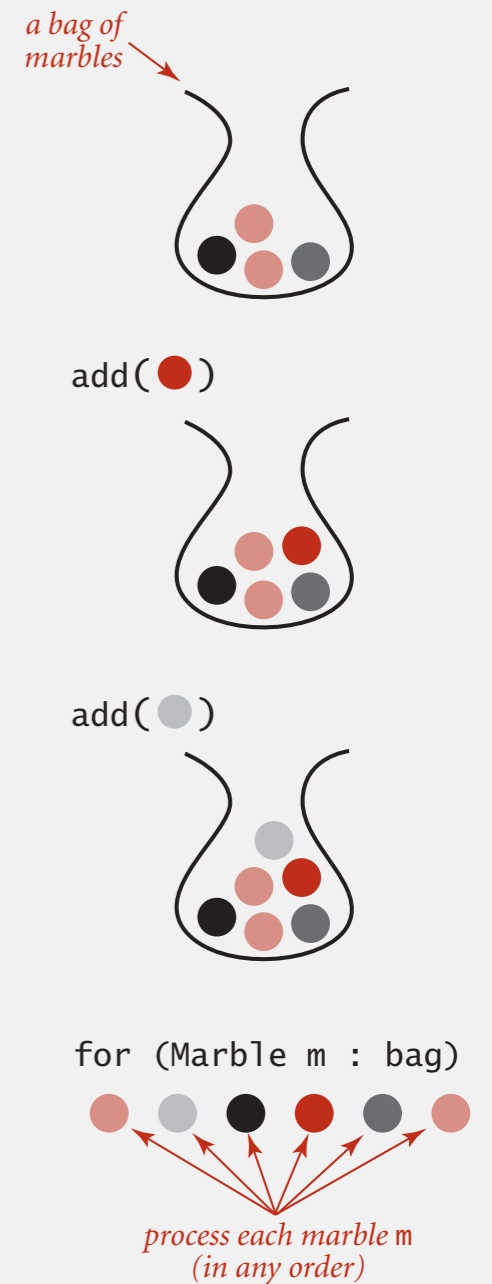
Implementation. Stack (without pop) or queue (without dequeue).

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▸ stacks

▸ resizing arrays

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Java collections library

List interface. `java.util.List` is API for a sequence of items.

```
public interface List<Item> extends Iterable<Item>
```

	`List()`	*create an empty list*
`boolean`	`isEmpty()`	*is the list empty?*
`int`	`size()`	*number of items*
`void`	`add(Item item)`	*add item to the end*
`Item`	`get(int index)`	*return item at given index*
`Item`	`remove(int index)`	*return and delete item at given index*
`boolean`	`contains(Item item)`	*does the list contain the given item?*
`Iterator<Item>`	`iterator()`	*iterator over all items in the list*
	⋮	

Implementations. `java.util.ArrayList` uses a resizing array;
`java.util.LinkedList` uses doubly-linked list. ⟵ Caveat: only some operations are efficient.

Java collections library

`java.util.Stack.`

- Supports `push()`, `pop()`, and iteration.
- Inherits from `java.util.Vector`, which implements `java.util.List` interface.


Java 1.3 bug report (June 27, 2001)

```
The iterator method on java.util.Stack iterates through a Stack from
the bottom up. One would think that it should iterate as if it were
popping off the top of the Stack.
```

status (closed, will not fix)

```
It was an incorrect design decision to have Stack extend Vector ("is-a"
rather than "has-a"). We sympathize with the submitter but cannot fix
this because of compatibility.
```

Java collections library

`java.util.Stack.`

- Supports `push()`, `pop()`, and iteration.
- Inherits from `java.util.Vector`, which implements `java.util.List` interface.

`java.util.Queue.` An interface, not an implementation of a queue.

Best practices. Use our implementations of `Stack` and `Queue`.

War story (from Assignment 1)

Generate random open sites in an N-by-N percolation system.

- Jenny: pick (i, j) at random; if already open, repeat.
  Takes ~ $c_1 N^2$ seconds.
- Kenny: create a `java.util.ArrayList` of N^2 closed sites.
  Pick an index at random and delete.
  Takes ~ $c_2 N^4$ seconds.
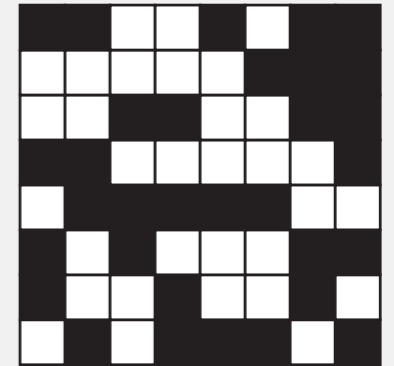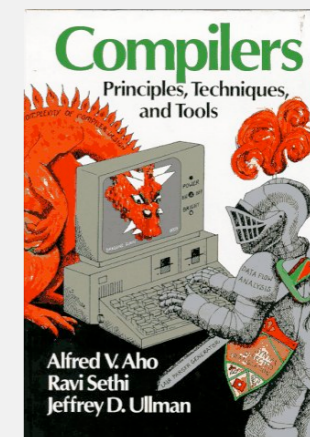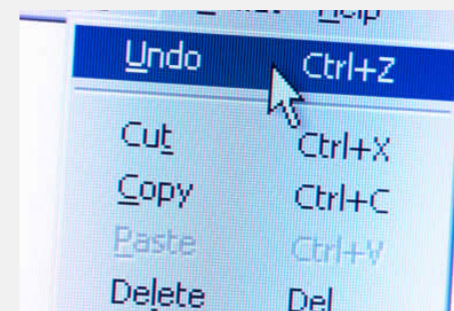
Why is my program so slow?

Kenny

Lesson. Don't use a library until you understand its API!

This course. Cannot use a library until we've implemented it in class.

Stack applications

- Parsing in a compiler.
- Java virtual machine.
- Undo in a word processor.
- Back button in a Web browser.
- PostScript language for printers.
- Implementing function calls in a compiler.
- ...

Function calls

How a compiler implements a function.
- Function call: push local environment and return address.
- Return: pop return address and local environment.

Recursive function. Function that calls itself.

Note. Can always use an explicit stack to remove recursion.

p = 216, q = 192

gcd (216, 192)

```
static int gcd(int p, int q) {
    if (q == 0) return p;
    else
}
```

p = 192, q = 24

gcd (192, 24)

```
static int gcd(int p, int q) {
    if (q == 0) return p;
    else
}
```

p = 24, q = 0

gcd (24, 0)

```
static int gcd(int p, int q) {
    if (q == 0) return p;
    else return gcd(q, p % q);
}
```

Goal. Evaluate infix expressions.

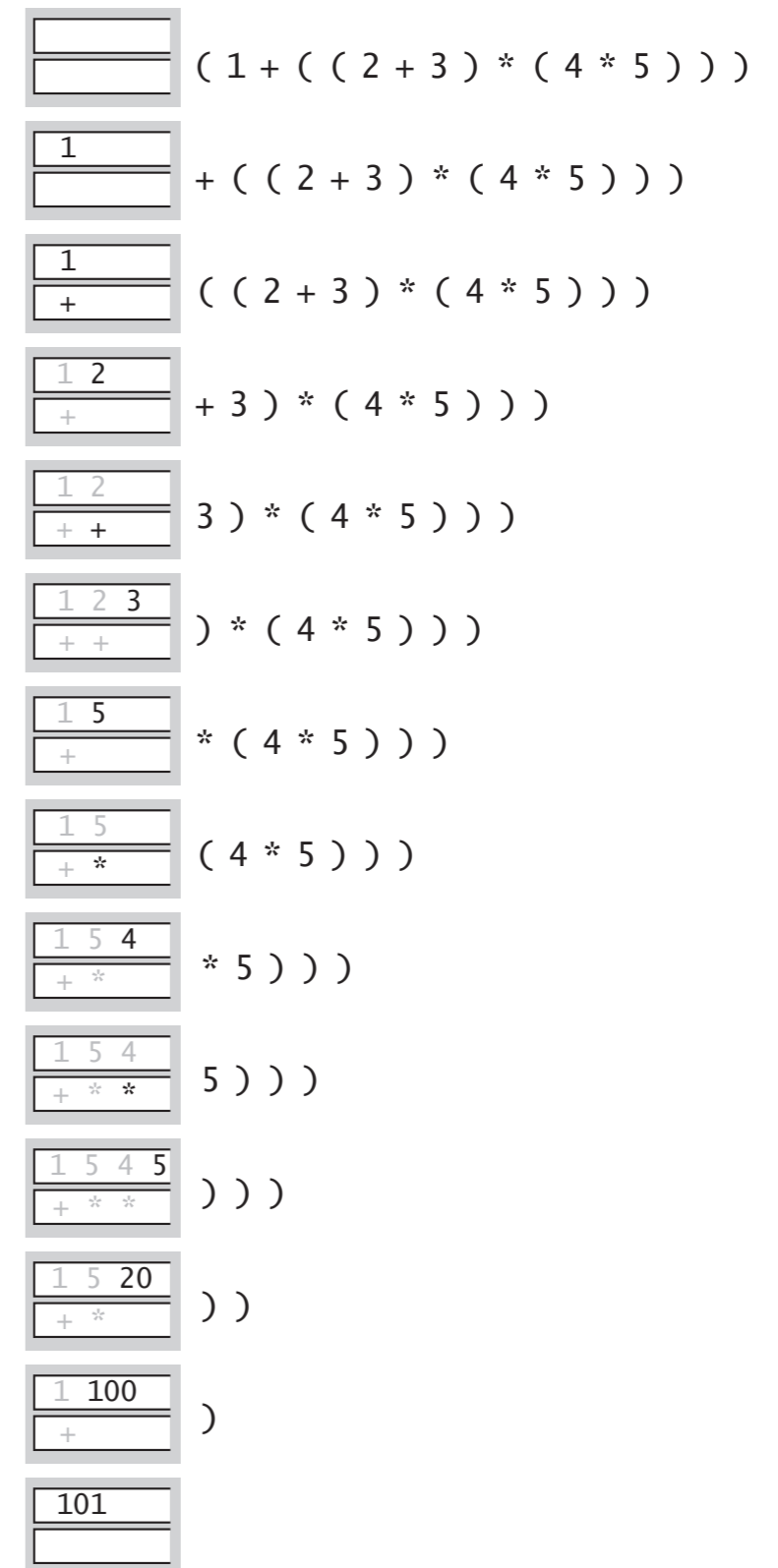(1 + ((2 + 3) * (4 * 5)))

operand   operator

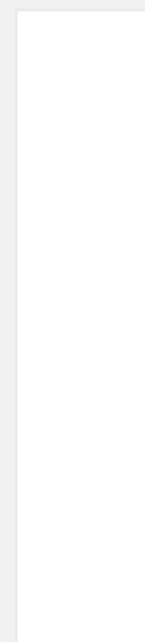**Two-stack algorithm.** [E. W. Dijkstra]

- Value: push onto the value stack.
- Operator: push onto the operator stack.
- Left parenthesis: ignore.
- Right parenthesis: pop operator and two values; push the result of applying that operator to those values onto the operand stack.

Context. An interpreter!
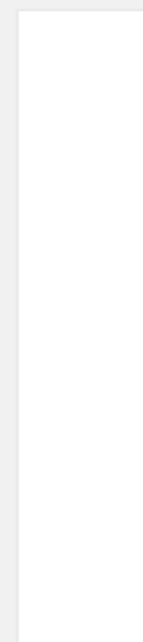
value stack
operator stack

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

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

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

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

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

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

1 5
+   * (4 * 5)))

1 5
+ *   (4 * 5)))

1 5 4
+ *   * 5)))

1 5 4
+ * *   5)))

1 5 4 5
+ * *   )))

1 5 20
+ *   ))

1 100
+   )

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Dijkstra's two-stack algorithm demo

value stack   operator stack

infix expression

(fully parenthesized)

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

operand   operator

Arithmetic expression evaluation

```
public class Evaluate
{
   public static void main(String[] args)
   {
      Stack<String> ops  = new Stack<String>();
      Stack<Double> vals = new Stack<Double>();
      while (!StdIn.isEmpty()) {
         String s = StdIn.readString();
         if      (s.equals("("))    /* noop */ ;
         else if (s.equals("+"))    ops.push(s);
         else if (s.equals("*"))    ops.push(s);
         else if (s.equals(")"))
         {
            String op = ops.pop();
            if      (op.equals("+")) vals.push(vals.pop() + vals.pop());
            else if (op.equals("*")) vals.push(vals.pop() * vals.pop());
         }
         else vals.push(Double.parseDouble(s));
      }
      StdOut.println(vals.pop());
   }
}
```

```
% java Evaluate
( 1 + ( ( 2 + 3 ) * ( 4 * 5 ) ) )
101.0
```

Correctness

Q. Why correct?

A. When algorithm encounters an operator surrounded by two values within parentheses, it leaves the result on the value stack.

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

as if the original input were:

```
( 1 + ( 5 * ( 4 * 5 ) ) )
```

Repeating the argument:

```
( 1 + ( 5 * 20 ) )
( 1 + 100 )
101
```

Extensions. More ops, precedence order, associativity.

Stack-based programming languages

Observation 1. Dijkstra's two-stack algorithm computes the same value if the operator occurs after the two values.

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

Observation 2. All of the parentheses are redundant!

```
1 2 3 + 4 5 * * +
```

Jan Lukasiewicz

Bottom line. Postfix or "reverse Polish" notation.

Applications. Postscript, Forth, calculators, Java virtual machine, ...