





Interfaces can be ambiguous

Stacks and queues.

- Value: collection of objects.
- Operations: add, remove, iterate, test if empty.

 $\mathbf{Q}.$ What are two ways in which the semantics of iteration can be ambiguous? A.

- What order to iterate in: same as removal order or does client not care?
- What happens if collection is modified during iteration?

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.

Ambiguity in the semantics of interfaces leads to bugs

Example: Mars climate orbiter.

Lost due to metric vs. imperial mishap in contract between NASA & Lockheed







Stack API			
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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	

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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.

public String pop()

- String item = s[--n];
- s[n] = null;
- if (n > 0 && n == s.length/4) resize(s.length/2);
 return item;

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

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Proof.

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- Divide the operations into batches.
- Each batch starts after a resize has just completed (or at the beginning) and ends with the next resize (or at the end).
- Claim: the cost of processing each batch is proportional to the number of operations in that batch.

Exercise: complete this argument.

Exercise: would proof hold if we'd had different constants instead of $\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{1}{3}$ (say $\frac{2}{3}$ & $\frac{1}{3}$)? What are the factors to consider in picking the constants?



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?

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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.

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• Less wasted space.

















Queue with two stacks













- Each primitive type has a wrapper object type.

Autoboxing. Automatic cast from primitive type to wrapper type. Unboxing. Automatic cast from wrapper type to primitive type.

Stack<Integer> stack = new Stack<Integer>(); // stack.push(Integer.value0f(17)); int a = stack.pop(); // int a = stack.pop().intValue();

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



Iteration Design challenge. Support iteration over stack items by client, without revealing the internal representation of the stack. resizing-array representation n time s[] it null null was the best of null mull linked-list representation first current Ţ best times Java solution. Use a for-each loop.

For-each loop

Java provides elegant syntax for iteration over collections.

"for-each" loop (shorthand) equivalent code (longhand)
Stack<String> stack;
...
for (String s : stack)
...
for (String s : stack)
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For a user-defined collection, do this to enable looping over it with for-each:

- Data type must have a method named iterator().
- The iterator() method returns an object that has two core methods.
- the hasNext() methods returns false when there are no more items
- $\mbox{--}$ the <code>next()</code> method returns the next item in the collection

Iterators

To support for-each 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.tterator interface public interface Iterator<Item> { boolean hasNext(); Item next(); void remove(); optional; use at your own risk

java.lang.lterable interface

public interface Iterable<Item>

Iterator<Item> iterator();

Type safety.

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



















Correctness

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Q. Why correct?
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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.

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