

## 1.3 Stacks and Queues



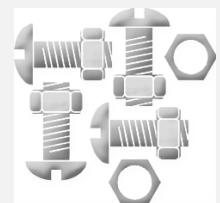
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### Stacks and queues

Fundamental data types.

- Values: sets of objects.
- Operations: `insert`, `remove`, test if empty.
- Intent is clear when we insert.
- Which item do we remove?



LIFO = "last in first out"

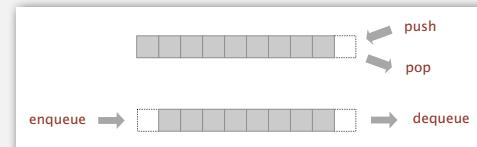
Stack. Remove the item most recently added.

Analogy. Cafeteria trays, Web surfing.

FIFO = "first in first out"

Queue. Remove the item least recently added.

Analogy. Registrar's line.



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### Client, implementation, interface

Separate interface and implementation.

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

Benefits.

- Client can't know details of implementation ⇒ client has many implementation from which to choose.
- Implementation can't know details of client needs ⇒ many clients can re-use the same implementation.
- Design: creates modular, reusable libraries.
- Performance: use optimized implementation where it matters.

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

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## Stack API

**Warmup.** Stack of strings objects.

```
public class StackOfStrings
{
    StackOfStrings()           create an empty stack
    void push(String s)        insert a new item onto stack
    String pop()               remove and return the item
                               most recently added
    boolean isEmpty()          is the stack empty?
    int size()                 number of items on the stack
```

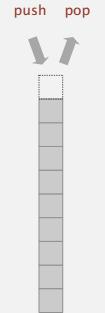


**Challenge.** Reverse sequence of strings from standard input.

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## Stack test client

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



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

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

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## Stack pop: linked-list implementation

```
save item to return
String item = first.item;

save item to return
first = first.next;

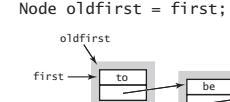
first -> [to] -> [be] -> [or]
           |           |
           +-----+
           first -> [be] -> [or]

return saved item
return item;
```

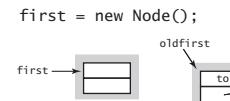
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## Stack push: linked-list implementation

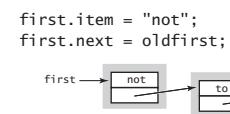
save a link to the list



create a new node for the beginning



set the instance variables in the new node



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## Stack: linked-list implementation in Java

```

public class StackOfStrings
{
    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()
    {
        if (isEmpty()) throw new RuntimeException(); ← stack underflow
        String item = first.item;
        first = first.next;
        return item;
    }
}

```

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inner class

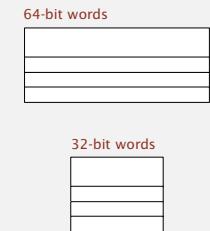
stack underflow

## Stack: linked-list implementation performance

**Proposition.** Using a linked-list implementation of a stack, every operation takes constant time in the worst case.

**Proposition.** Uses  $\sim 40N$  bytes to represent a stack with  $N$  items.

- assume 64-bit machine (8 bytes per reference)
- extra overhead for inner class



```

private class Node
{
    String item; ← 16 bytes (object overhead)
    Node next; ← 8 bytes (extra for inner class)
}

```

8 bytes (reference to String)  
8 bytes (reference to Node)

40 bytes per stack item

32-bit words

**Remark.** Analysis includes memory for the stack  
(but not the strings themselves, which the client owns).

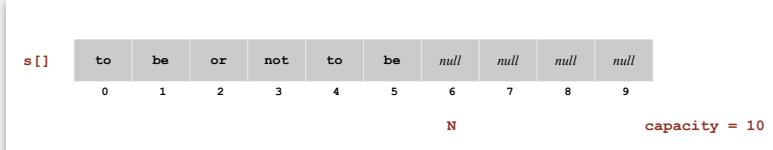
**Lesson.** "Swollen" pointers can use up memory on 64-bit machines!

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## Stack: array implementation

### Array implementation of a stack.

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



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

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## Stack: array implementation

```

public class StackOfStrings
{
    private String[] s;
    private int N = 0; ← a cheat (stay tuned)

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

```

this version avoids "loitering":  
garbage collector reclaims memory  
only if no outstanding references

decrement  $N$ ;  
then use to index into array

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## Stack: dynamic-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 `s[]` by 1.
- `pop()`: decrease size of `s[]` by 1.

**Too expensive.**

- Need to copy all item to a new array.
- Inserting first  $N$  items takes time proportional to  $1 + 2 + \dots + N \sim N^2/2$ .

↑  
infeasible for large  $N$

**Challenge.** Ensure that array resizing happens infrequently.

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**Stack: dynamic-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 StackOfStrings() { 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;
}

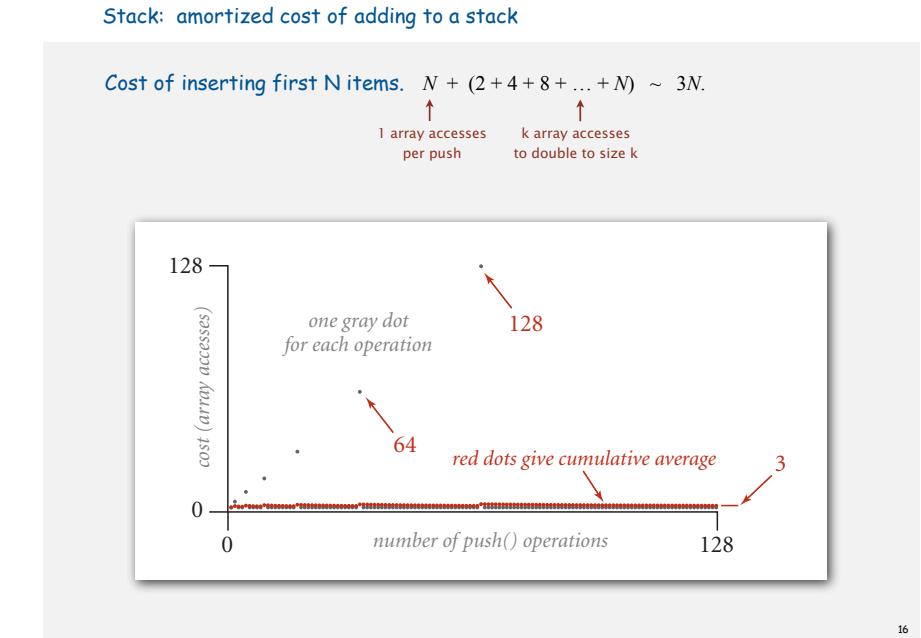
```

cost of array resizing is now  
 $2 + 4 + 8 + \dots + N \sim 2N$

↓

**Consequence.** Inserting first  $N$  items takes time proportional to  $N$  (not  $N^2$ ).

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## Stack: dynamic-array implementation

### Q. How to shrink array?

First try.

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

Too expensive.

- Consider push-pop-push-pop-... sequence when array is full.
- Takes time proportional to  $N$  per operation in worst case.

"thrashing"

$N = 5$	to	be	or	not	to	null	null	null
$N = 4$	to	be	or	not				
$N = 5$	to	be	or	not	to	null	null	null
$N = 4$	to	be	or	not				

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## Stack: dynamic-array implementation

### Q. How to shrink array?

Efficient solution.

- `push()`: double size of `s[]` when array is full.
- `pop()`: halve size of `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;
}
```

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

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## Stack: dynamic-array implementation trace

StdIn	StdOut	N	a.length	a							
				0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
		0	1		null						
to		1	1	to							
be		2	2	to	be						
or		3	4	to	be	or	null				
not		4	4	to	be	or	not				
to		5	8	to	be	or	not	to	null	null	null
- to		4	8	to	be	or	not	null	null	null	null
be		5	8	to	be	or	not	be	null	null	null
- be		4	8	to	be	or	not	null	null	null	null
- not		3	8	to	be	or	null	null	null	null	null
that		4	8	to	be	or	that	null	null	null	null
- that		3	8	to	be	or	null	null	null	null	null
- or		2	4	to	be	null	null				
- be		1	2	to	null						
is		2	2	to	is						

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## Stack dynamic-array implementation: performance

**Amortized analysis.** Average running time per operation over a worst-case sequence of operations.

**Proposition.** Starting from empty stack (with dynamic resizing), any sequence of  $M$  push and pop operations takes time proportional to  $M$ .

	best	worst	amortized
construct	1	1	1
push	1	$N$	1
pop	1	$N$	1
size	1	1	1

doubling and shrinking

running time for doubling stack with  $N$  items

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## Stack dynamic array implementation: memory usage

**Proposition.** Uses between  $\sim 8N$  and  $\sim 32N$  bytes to represent a stack with  $N$  items.

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

```
public class DoublingStackOfStrings
{
    private String[] s;           ← 8 bytes × array size
    private int N = 0;            ← 4 bytes
    ...
}
```

**Remark.** Analysis includes memory for the stack (but not the strings themselves, which the client owns).

## Stack implementations: dynamic array vs. linked List

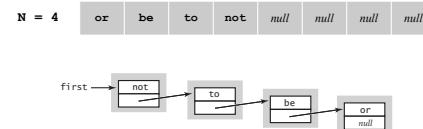
**Tradeoffs.** Can implement a stack with either dynamic array or linked list; client can use interchangeably. Which one is better?

### Linked-list implementation.

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

### Dynamic-array implementation.

- Every operation takes constant **amortized** time.
- Less wasted space.



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## Queue API

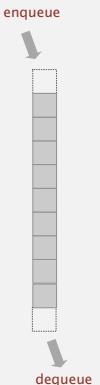
```
public class QueueOfStrings
{
    QueueOfStrings()          create an empty queue

    void enqueue(String s)    insert a new item onto queue

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

    boolean isEmpty()         is the queue empty?

    int size()                number of items on the queue
}
```



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## Queue test client

```
public static void main(String[] args)
{
    QueueOfStrings q = new QueueOfStrings();
    while (!StdIn.isEmpty())
    {
        String item = StdIn.readString();
        if (item.equals("-")) StdOut.print(q.dequeue());
        else q.enqueue(item);
    }
}
```

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

% java QueueOfStrings < tobe.txt
to be or not to be
```

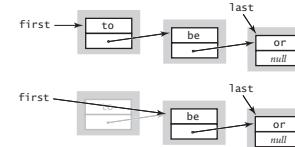
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## Queue dequeue: linked-list implementation

```
save item to return
String item = first.item;
```

save item to return

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



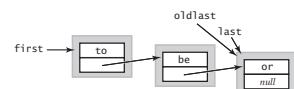
```
return saved item
return item;
```

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

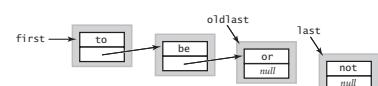
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## Queue enqueue: linked-list implementation

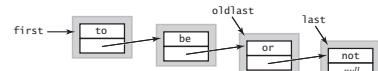
save a link to the last node  
Node oldlast = last;



create a new node for the end  
Node last = new Node();  
last.item = "not";  
last.next = null;



link the new node to the end of the list  
oldlast.next = last;



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## Queue: linked-list implementation in Java

```
public class QueueOfStrings
{
    private Node first, last;
```

```
private class Node
{ /* same as in StackOfStrings */ }
```

```
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;
```

special cases for  
empty queue

```
}
```

```
public String dequeue()
```

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

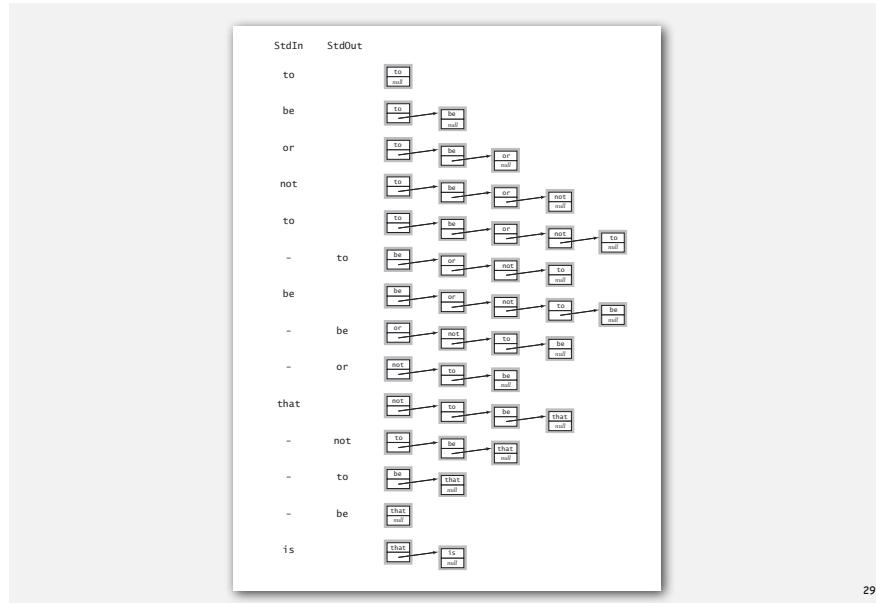
```
first = first.next;
```

```
if (isEmpty()) last = null;
```

```
return item;
```

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## Queue: linked-list trace

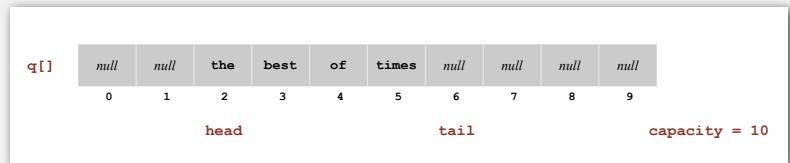


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## Queue: dynamic array implementation

### Array implementation of a queue.

- 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 dynamic resizing.



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## Parameterized stack

We implemented: `StackOfStrings`.

We also want: `StackOfURLs`, `StackOfInts`, `StackOfVans`, etc.?

**Attempt 1.** Implement a separate stack class for each type.

- Rewriting code is tedious and error-prone.
- Maintaining cut-and-pasted code is tedious and error-prone.

@\$#! most reasonable approach until Java 1.5.



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## Parameterized stack

We implemented: `StackOfStrings`.

We also want: `StackOfURLs`, `StackOfInts`, `StackOfVans`, etc.?

**Attempt 2.** Implement a stack with items of type `Object`.

- Casting is required in client.
- Casting is error-prone: run-time error if types mismatch.

```
StackOfObjects s = new StackOfObjects();
Apple a = new Apple();
Orange b = new Orange();
s.push(a);
s.push(b);
a = (Apple) (s.pop());
```

run-time error



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## Parameterized stack

We implemented: `StackOfStrings`.

We also want: `StackOfURLs`, `StackOfInts`, `StackOfVans`, etc.?

**Attempt 3.** Java generics.

- Avoid casting in client.
- Discover type mismatch errors at compile-time instead of run-time.

```
Stack<Apple> s = new Stack<Apple>();
Apple a = new Apple();
Orange b = new Orange();
s.push(a);
s.push(b);
a = s.pop();
```

type parameter

compile-time error

**Guiding principles.** Welcome compile-time errors; avoid run-time errors.

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## Generic stack: linked-list implementation

```
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;
    }
}
```

```
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;
    }
}
```

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## Generic stack: array implementation

```
public class ArrayStackOfStrings
{
    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]; }
}
```

the way it should be

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

    public Stack<Item>(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

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## Generic stack: array implementation

```

the way it is

public class ArrayStackOfStrings
{
    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 ArrayStack<Item>
{
    private Item[] s;
    private int N = 0;

    public Stack<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

```

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## 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.

**Syntactic sugar.** Behind-the-scenes casting.

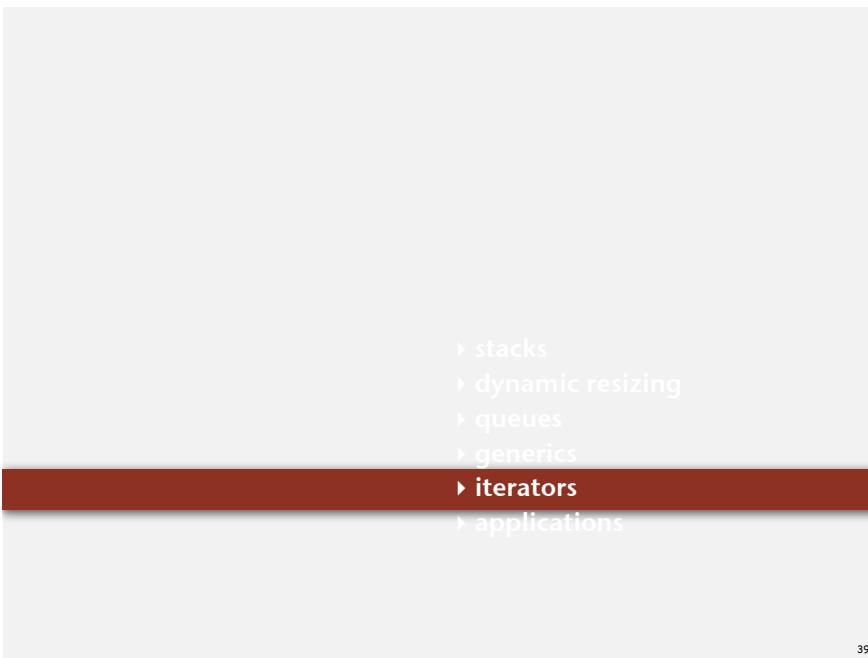
```

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

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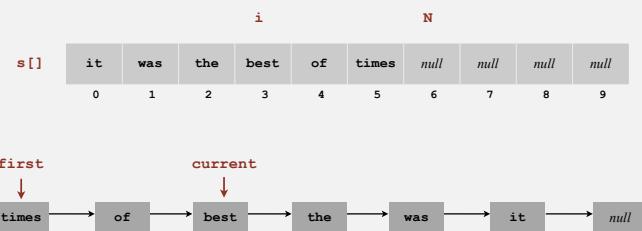
**Bottom line.** Client code can use generic stack for **any** type of data.

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## Iteration

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



**Java solution.** Make stack implement the `Iterable` interface.

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## Iterators

Q. What is an `Iterable`?

A. Has a method that returns an `Iterator`.

### Iterable interface

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

Q. What is an `Iterator`?

A. Has methods `hasNext()` and `next()`.

### Iterator interface

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

Q. Why make data structures `Iterable`?

A. Java supports elegant client code.

#### "foreach" statement

```
for (String s : stack)
    StdOut.println(s);
```

#### equivalent code

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

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## Stack iterator: linked-list implementation

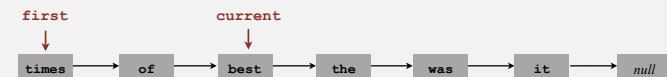
```
import java.util.Iterator;

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;
    }
}
```



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## Stack iterator: array implementation

```
import java.util.Iterator;

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

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

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

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



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## Iteration: concurrent modification

Q. What if client modifies the data structure while iterating?

A. A fail-fast iterator throws a `ConcurrentModificationException`.

### concurrent modification

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

### To detect:

- Count total number of `push()` and `pop()` operations in `stack`.
- Save current count in `*Iterator` subclass upon creation.
- Check that two values are still equal when calling `next()` and `hasNext()`.

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## Summary

Three ADTs for processing collections of objects:

- Stack
- Queue
- Bag

### Generic implementations

- reusable code (don't need new implementation for new type)
- compile-time type checks

### Iteration

- stack: LIFO order
- queue: FIFO order
- bag: arbitrary order

easy implementation:  
stack without pop() or queue without get()

**Bag**

**API**

<code>public class Bag&lt;Item&gt; implements Iterable&lt;Item&gt;</code>	
<code>    Bag()</code>	<i>create an empty bag</i>
<code>    void add(Item x)</code>	<i>add an item</i>
<code>    int size()</code>	<i>number of items in bag</i>
<code>    Iterable&lt;Item&gt; iterator()</code>	<i>iterator for all items in bag</i>

**typical client**  
(average the numbers on StdIn)

```
public static void main(String[] args)
{
    Bag<Double> numbers = new Bag<Double>();
    while (!StdIn.isEmpty())
        numbers.add(StdIn.readDouble());
    int N = numbers.size();
    double sum = 0.0;
    for (Double s : numbers) sum += s;
    double avg = sum/N;
    StdOut.println("Average: " + avg);
}
```

**Sweet spot:** Save for iteration where order doesn't matter.

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**Queue**

**API**

<code>public class Queue&lt;Item&gt; implements Iterable&lt;Item&gt;</code>	
<code>    Queue()</code>	<i>create an empty queue</i>
<code>    void enqueue(Item x)</code>	<i>add an item</i>
<code>    Item dequeue()</code>	<i>remove the least recently added item</i>
<code>    int size()</code>	<i>number of items in queue</i>
<code>    Iterable&lt;Item&gt; iterator()</code>	<i>iterator for all items in queue</i>

**typical client**  
(put the ints in a file into an array)

```
public static int[] readInts(String name)
{
    In in = new In(name);
    Queue<Integer> q = new Queue<Integer>();
    while (!in.isEmpty())
        q.enqueue(in.readInt());
    int N = q.size();
    int[] a = new int[N];
    for (int i = 0; i < N; i++)
        a[i] = q.dequeue();
    return a;
}
```

**key point:** don't need to know file size →

**Sweet spot:** Save for later use where order **does** matter.

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## Stack

API

```
public class Stack<Item> implements Iterable<Item>
{
    Stack()                      create an empty stack
    void push(Item x)           add an item
    Item pop()                  remove the most recently added item
    int size()                  number of items in queue
    Iterable<Item> iterator()   iterator for all items in queue
}
```

sample client  
(print the strings on StdIn in reverse order)

```
public class Reverse
{
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        Stack<String> stack = new Stack<String>();
        while (!StdIn.isEmpty())
            stack.push(StdIn.readString());
        for (String s : stack)
            StdOut.println(s);
    }
}
```

Sweet spot: Support recursive computation (stay tuned).

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## Java collections library

List interface. `java.util.List` is API for ordered collection of items.

```
public interface List<Item> implements Iterable<Item>
{
    List()                      create an empty list
    boolean isEmpty()           is the list empty?
    int size()                  number of items
    void add(Item item)         append 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?
    Iterable<Item> iterator()   iterator over all items in the list
    ...
}
```

Implementations. `java.util.ArrayList` uses dynamic array;

`java.util.LinkedList` uses linked list.

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## Java collections library

`java.util.Stack`.

- Supports `push()`, `pop()`, `size()`, `isEmpty()`, and iteration.
- Also implements `java.util.List` interface from previous slide, including, `get()`, `remove()`, and `contains()`.
- Bloated and poorly-designed API  $\Rightarrow$  don't use.

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

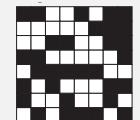
Best practices. Use our implementations of `stack`, `queue`, and `bag`.

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## War story (from COS 226)

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

- Jenny: pick  $(i, j)$  at random; if already open, repeat.  
Takes  $\sim c_1 N^2$  seconds.
- Kenny: create a `java.util.LinkedList` of  $N^2$  closed sites.  
Pick an index at random and delete.  
Takes  $\sim c_2 N^4$  seconds.



Why is my program so slow?



Kenny



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

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

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## 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.
- ...



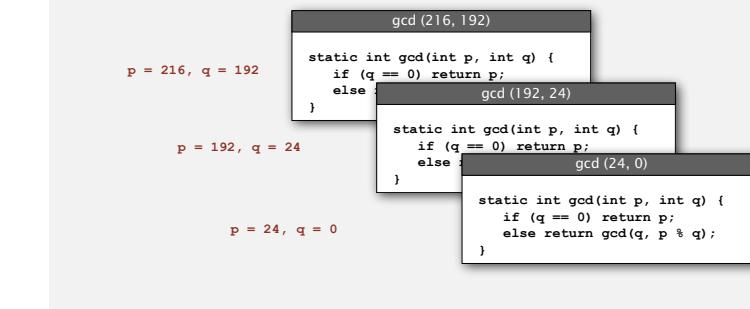
## Function calls

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.

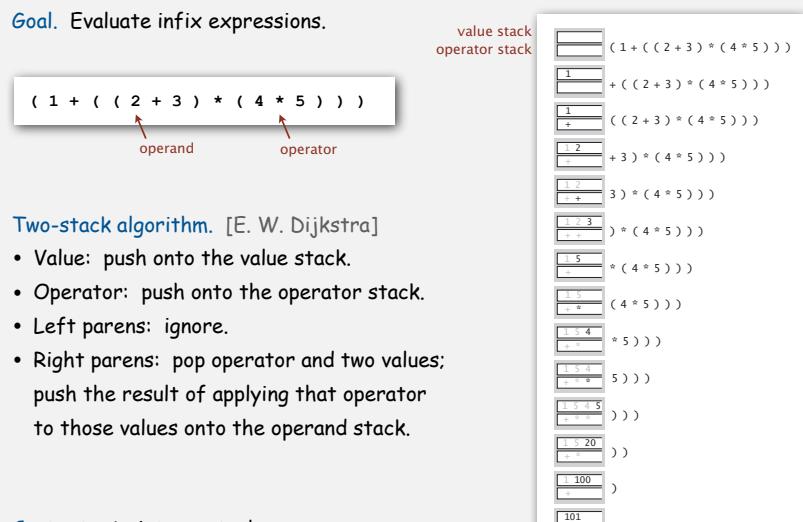
**Note.** Can always use an explicit stack to remove recursion.



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## Arithmetic expression evaluation

**Goal.** Evaluate infix expressions.



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

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

**Context.** An interpreter!

## 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("(")) ;
            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
```

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## 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.** The 2-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, ...

## PostScript

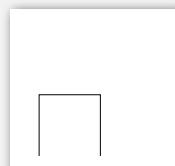
**PostScript.** [Warnock-Geschke 1980s]

- Postfix program code.
- Turtle graphics commands.
- Variables, types, text, loops, conditionals, functions, ...

units are points  
(72 per inch)

```
%!
100 100 moveto
100 300 lineto
300 300 lineto
300 100 lineto
stroke
```

a PostScript program



its output

**Simple virtual machine, but not a toy.**

- Easy to specify published page.
- Easy to implement in printers.
- Revolutionized the publishing world.



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## PostScript

**Page description language.**

- Explicit stack.
- Full computational model
- Graphics engine.

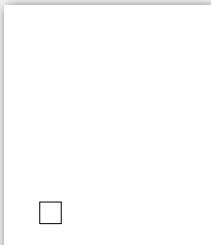
**Basics.**

- %!: "I am a PostScript program."
- Literal: "push me on the stack."
- Function calls take arguments from stack.
- Turtle graphics built in.

a PostScript program

```
%!
72 72 moveto
0 72 rlineto
72 0 rlineto
0 -72 rlineto
-72 0 rlineto
2 setlinewidth
stroke
```

its output



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## PostScript

### Data types.

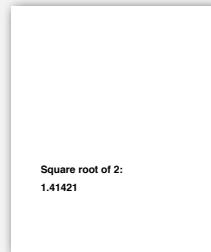
- Basic: integer, floating point, boolean, ...
- Graphics: font, path, curve, ....
- Full set of built-in operators.

### Text and strings.

- Full font support.
- `show` (display a string, using current font).
- `cvs` (convert anything to a string).

```
System.out.print()
toString()
```

```
%!
/Helvetica-Bold findfont 16 scalefont setfont
72 168 moveto
(Square root of 2:) show
72 144 moveto
2 sqrt 10 string cvs show
```



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## PostScript

### Variables (and functions).

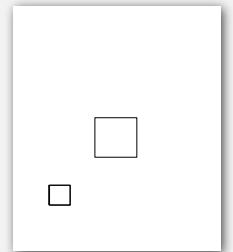
- Identifiers start with /.
- `def` operator associates id with value.
- Braces.
- args on stack.

function  
definition

```
%!
/box
{
  /sz exch def
  0 sz rlineto
  sz 0 rlineto
  0 sz neg rlineto
  sz neg 0 rlineto
} def
```

function calls

```
72 144 moveto
72 box
288 288 moveto
144 box
2 setlinewidth
stroke
```



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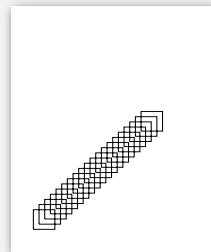
## PostScript

### For loop.

- "from, increment, to" on stack.
- Loop body in braces.
- `for` operator.

```
%!
\box
{
  ...
}

1 1 20
{ 19 mul dup 2 add moveto 72 box }
for
stroke
```



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### If-else conditional.

- Boolean on stack.
- Alternatives in braces.
- `if` operator.

... (hundreds of operators)

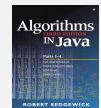
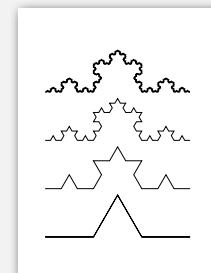
## PostScript applications

Algorithms, 3<sup>rd</sup> edition. Figures created directly in PostScript.

```
%!
72 72 translate

/kochR
{
  2 copy ge { dup 0 rlineto }
  3 div
  2 copy kochR 60 rotate
  2 copy kochR -120 rotate
  2 copy kochR 60 rotate
  2 copy kochR
} ifelse
pop pop
} def

0 0 moveto 81 243 kochR
0 81 moveto 27 243 kochR
0 162 moveto 9 243 kochR
0 243 moveto 1 243 kochR
stroke
```



see page 218



Algorithms, 4<sup>th</sup> edition. Figures created using enhanced version of `stdDraw` that saves to PostScript for vector graphics.

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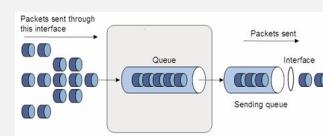
## Queue applications

### Familiar applications.

- iTunes playlist.
- Data buffers (iPod, TiVo).
- Asynchronous data transfer (file IO, pipes, sockets).
- Dispensing requests on a shared resource (printer, processor).

### Simulations of the real world.

- Traffic analysis.
- Waiting times of customers at call center.
- Determining number of cashiers to have at a supermarket.



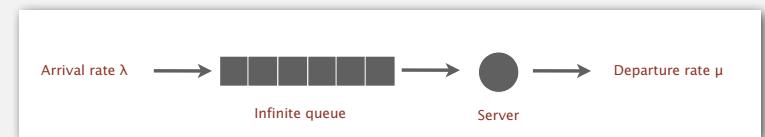
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## M/M/1 queuing model

### M/M/1 queue.

- Customers arrive according to **Poisson process** at rate of  $\lambda$  per minute.
- Customers are serviced with rate of  $\mu$  per minute.

interarrival time has exponential distribution  $\Pr[X \leq x] = 1 - e^{-\lambda x}$   
service time has exponential distribution  $\Pr[X \leq x] = 1 - e^{-\mu x}$

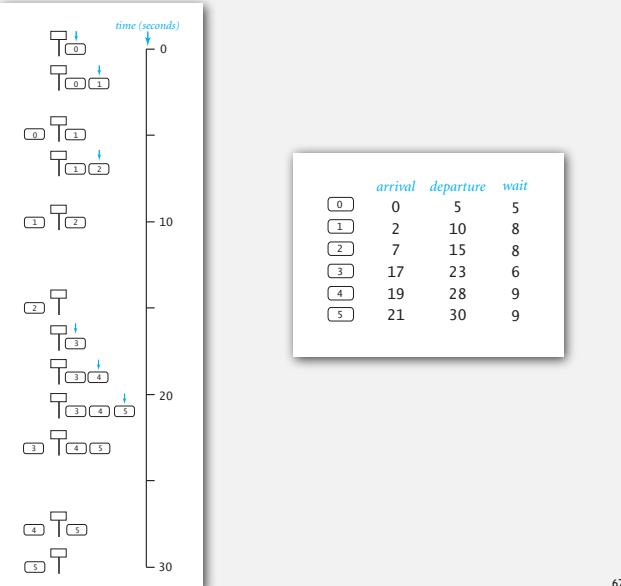


Q. What is average wait time  $W$  of a customer in system?

Q. What is average number of customers  $L$  in system?

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## M/M/1 queuing model: example simulation



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## M/M/1 queuing model: event-based simulation

```
public class MM1Queue
{
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        double lambda = Double.parseDouble(args[0]); // arrival rate
        double mu     = Double.parseDouble(args[1]); // service rate
        double nextArrival = StdRandom.exp(lambda);
        double nextService = nextArrival + StdRandom.exp(mu);

        Queue<Double> queue = new Queue<Double>(); // queue of arrival times
        Histogram hist = new Histogram("M/M/1 Queue", 60);

        while (true)
        {
            while (nextArrival < nextService) // next event is an arrival
            {
                queue.enqueue(nextArrival);
                nextArrival += StdRandom.exp(lambda);
            }

            double arrival = queue.dequeue(); // next event is a service completion
            double wait = nextService - arrival;
            hist.addDataPoint(Math.min(60, (int) (Math.round(wait))));

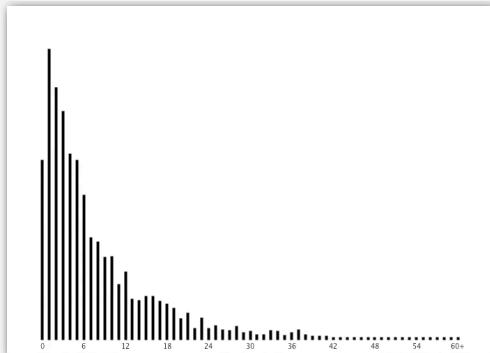
            if (queue.isEmpty()) nextService = nextArrival + StdRandom.exp(mu);
            else                  nextService = nextService + StdRandom.exp(mu);
        }
    }
}
```

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### M/M/1 queuing model: experiments

**Observation.** If service rate  $\mu$  is much larger than arrival rate  $\lambda$ , customers gets good service.

```
% java MM1Queue .2 .333
```

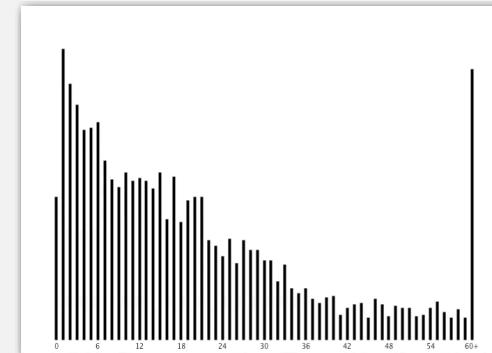


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### M/M/1 queuing model: experiments

**Observation.** As service rate  $\mu$  approaches arrival rate  $\lambda$ , services goes to h\*\*\*.

```
% java MM1Queue .2 .25
```

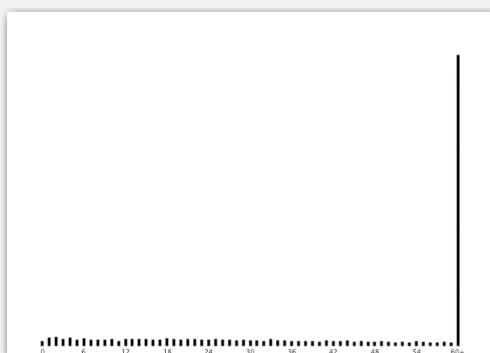


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### M/M/1 queuing model: experiments

**Observation.** As service rate  $\mu$  approaches arrival rate  $\lambda$ , services goes to h\*\*\*.

```
% java MM1Queue .2 .21
```



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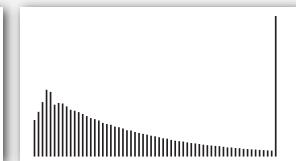
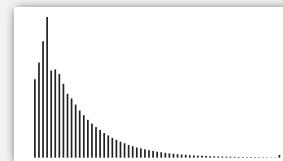
### M/M/1 queuing model: analysis

**M/M/1 queue.** Exact formulas known.

wait time  $W$  and queue length  $L$  approach infinity  
as service rate approaches arrival rate

Little's Law

$$W = \frac{1}{\mu - \lambda}, \quad L = \lambda W$$



**More complicated queueing models.** Event-based simulation essential!  
**Queueing theory.** See ORF 309.

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