# Lecture 13: Stacks



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## Reading about Collection Classes

- Oracle's Java Tutorials
  - Trail: Collections
  - https://docs.oracle.com/javase/tutorial/collections/

#### Stack

- Interface Stack<E> {
  - void push(E value)
  - E pop()
  - E peek()
- Example: Trays in cafeteria
- Last In First Out (LIFO) No changes to middle of list ever!



## Stack Applications

- Run-time stack:
  - See sum program
- Backtracking
  - Solving Maze
- Evaluating expression in postfix form:
  - $(52 ((5 + 7) * 4) \Rightarrow 52 5 7 + 4 * \Rightarrow 4$
- Tools to parse programs
- Undo

## Stack Implementations

- ArrayList:
  - Which end should be head?
  - How complex for push, pop, peek?
- SinglyLinkedList:
  - Which end should be head?
  - How complex for push, pop, peek?
- Space differences?
  - What if there are several stacks?
- java.util.Stack based on Vector don't use!
  - ArrayDeque is better choice (*more details later*)

#### Queue

- FIFO: Waiting in line
- Operations:
  - enqueue (at end) or add
  - dequeue (from beginning) or remove
- Examples:
  - Simulations
  - Event queue
  - Keeping track when searching

#### Queue Implementations

- SinglyLinkedList:
  - Which end should be front, rear?
  - How complex for enqueue, dequeue?
- ArrayList:
  - Which end should be front, rear?
  - How complex for enqueue, dequeue?
- Space differences?