
CS11001/CS11002

Programming and Data

Structures (PDS)

(Theory: 3-1-0)

The Stack ADT

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- A stack is an ordered list of elements in which elements are always inserted and deleted at one end, say the beginning.
 - In the terminology of stacks, this end is called the **top** of the stack, whereas the other end is called the **bottom** of the stack. A
 - Iso the insertion operation is called **push** and the deletion operation is called **pop**.
 - The element at the top of a stack is frequently referred, so we highlight this special form of `getElement`.

The Stack ADT operations

- A stack ADT can be specified by some basic operations.
- Once again we assume that we are maintaining a stack of characters.
- In practice, the data type for each element of a stack can be of any data type.
- An element popped out of the stack is always the last element to have been pushed in.
Therefore, a stack is often called a **Last-In-First-Out** or a **LIFO** list

The Stack ADT operations

- **S = init();**
 - Initialize S to an empty stack.
- **isEmpty(S);**
 - Returns "true" if and only if the stack S is empty, i.e., contains no elements.
- **isFull(S);**
 - Returns "true" if and only if the stack S has a bounded size and holds the maximum number of elements it can.

The Stack ADT operations

- **top(S);**
 - Return the element at the top of the stack S, or error if the stack is empty.
- **S = push(S,ch);**
 - Push the character ch at the top of the stack S.
- **S = pop(S);**
 - Pop an element from the top of the stack S.
- **print(S);**
 - Print the elements of the stack S from top to bottom.

Implementations of the stack ADT

```
#include <stdio.h>

#define MAXLEN 100

typedef struct {
    char element[MAXLEN];
    int top;
} stack;
```

The init and isEmpty function

```
stack init ()           int isEmpty ( stack S )
{
    stack S;           {
                        return (S.top == -1);
}

S.top = -1;
return S;
}                           int isFull ( stack S )
{
                        return (S.top == MAXLEN - 1);
}
```

The push procedure

```
stack push ( stack S , char ch )
{
    if (isFull(S)) {
        fprintf(stderr, "push: Full stack\n");
        return S;
    }
    S.top++;
    S.element[S.top] = ch;
    return S;
}
```

The pop Procedure

```
stack pop ( stack S )
{
    if (isEmpty(S)) {
        fprintf(stderr, "pop: Empty stack\n");
        return S;
    }
    --S.top;
    return S;
}
```

Printing the stack

```
void print ( stack S )
{
    int i;

    for (i = S.top; i >= 0; --i)
        printf("%c", S.element[i]);
}
```

The top procedure

```
char top ( stack S )
{
    if (isEmpty(S)) {
        fprintf(stderr, "top: Empty stack\n");
        return '\0';
    }
    return S.element[S.top];
}
```

The main function

```
int main ()
{
    stack S;

    S = init(); printf("Current stack : "); print(S); printf(" with top = %c.\n", top(S));
    S = push(S,'d'); printf("Current stack : "); print(S); printf(" with top = %c.\n", top(S));
    S = push(S,'f'); printf("Current stack : "); print(S); printf(" with top = %c.\n", top(S));
    S = push(S,'a'); printf("Current stack : "); print(S); printf(" with top = %c.\n", top(S));
    S = pop(S); printf("Current stack : "); print(S); printf(" with top = %c.\n", top(S));
    S = push(S,'x'); printf("Current stack : "); print(S); printf(" with top = %c.\n", top(S));
    S = pop(S); printf("Current stack : "); print(S); printf(" with top = %c.\n", top(S));
    S = pop(S); printf("Current stack : "); print(S); printf(" with top = %c.\n", top(S));
    S = pop(S); printf("Current stack : "); print(S); printf(" with top = %c.\n", top(S));
    S = pop(S); printf("Current stack : "); print(S); printf(" with top = %c.\n", top(S));
}
```

Output

- top: Empty stack
- Current stack : with top = .
- Current stack : d with top = d.
- Current stack : fd with top = f.
- Current stack : afd with top = a.
- Current stack : fd with top = f.
- Current stack : xfd with top = x.
- Current stack : fd with top = f.
- Current stack : d with top = d.
- top: Empty stack
- Current stack : with top = .
- pop: Empty stack
- top: Empty stack
- Current stack : with top = .

An Application of Stack

- It can be used to ensure that the parenthesis of a mathematical expression is well-formed:
 - it has an equal number of right and left parenthesis
 - every right parenthesis is preceded by a matching left parenthesis

A sketch of a program

```
valid=true;
s=init();
while(the entire string is not read){
    read the next symbol (sym) of the stringg;
    if(sym=='('||sym=='['||sym=='{')
        push(s,sym);
    if(sym==')'||sym==']'||sym=='}')
        if(isEmpty(s)) valid=false;
    else{ i=pop(s); //i has the top element
        if(i is not the matching opener of sym)
            valid=false;
    }
}//end reading the string
if(!isEmpty(s)) valid=false;
```

Exercise

- Complete the program using the previous definitions.

An interesting definition for stack element

The stack element could be of any data type

```
struct stackelement{
    int etype;
    union{
        int ival;
        float fval;
        char *sval;
    }element;
};
struct stack{
    int top;
    struct stackelement items[100];
}
```

Printing the top element of the stack

```
#define INGR 1
#define FLT 2
#define STRING 3
struct stack S;
struct stackelement se;
se=s.items[s.top];
switch(se.etype){
    case INGR: printf("%d\n",se.ival);
    case FLT: printf("%f\n",se.fval);
    case STRING: printf("%s\n",se.sval);
}
```