

# CSCI 132:

# Basic Data Structures and Algorithms

Lessons Learned so far + Intro to Stacks

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# Announcements

Come get your midterm exam

- Exam average was in the 80s
- Don't stress if you didn't do well
- Make sure I calculated your score correctly

Lab 7 and Program 3 will be posted very soon

Class Registration

- CSCI 232
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A very powerful computer and a very weak computer running the same algorithm will both execute the same number of operations (the speed at which they execute these operations will be different)

**Takeaway:** the asymptotic running time (the big-o running time) will be the same for each computer

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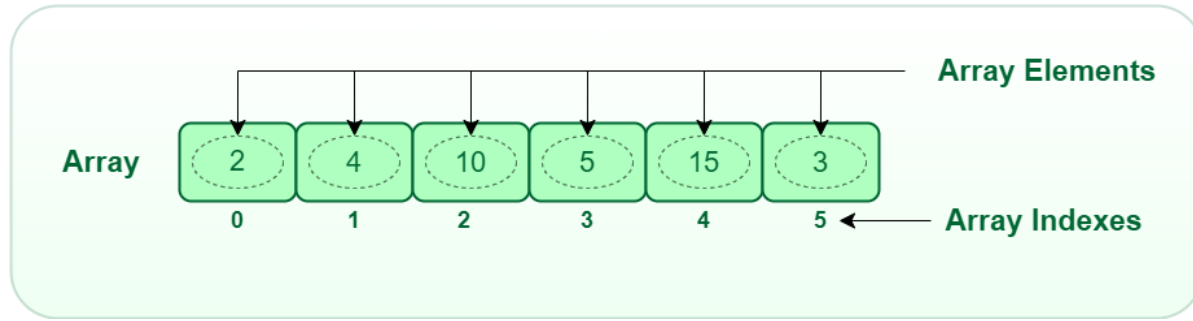
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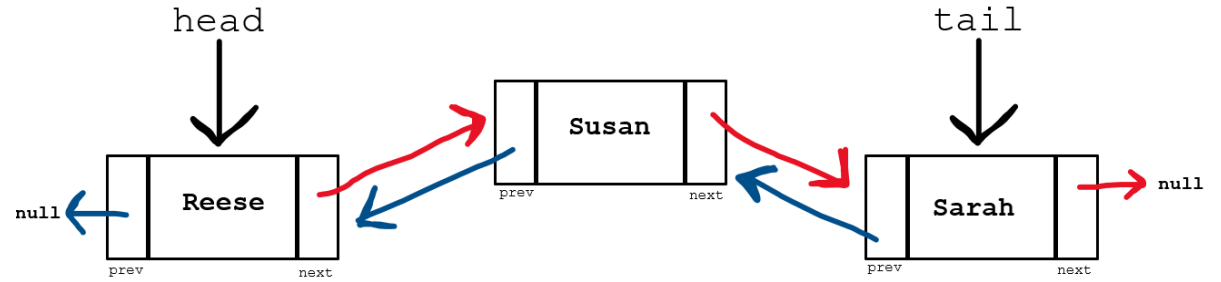
- In Big-O, we can drop non-dominant factors and multiplicative constants (coefficients)

$$O(n) + O(n) + O(n): \text{Total running time} = O(3n) \in \textcolor{red}{O(n)}$$

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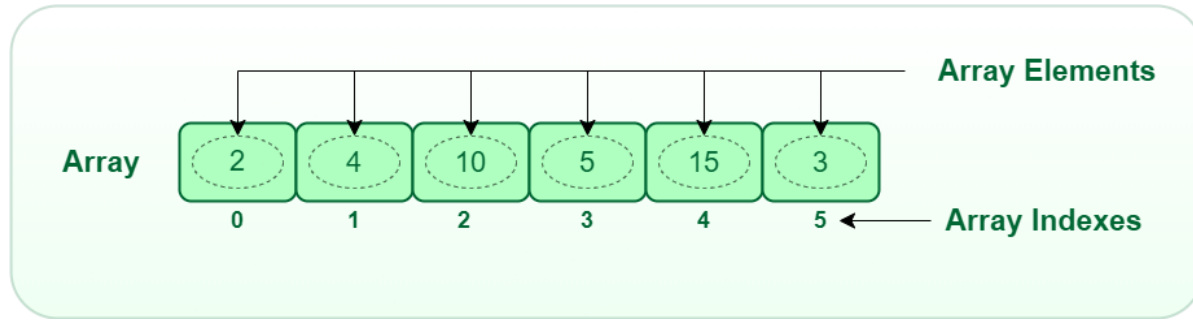


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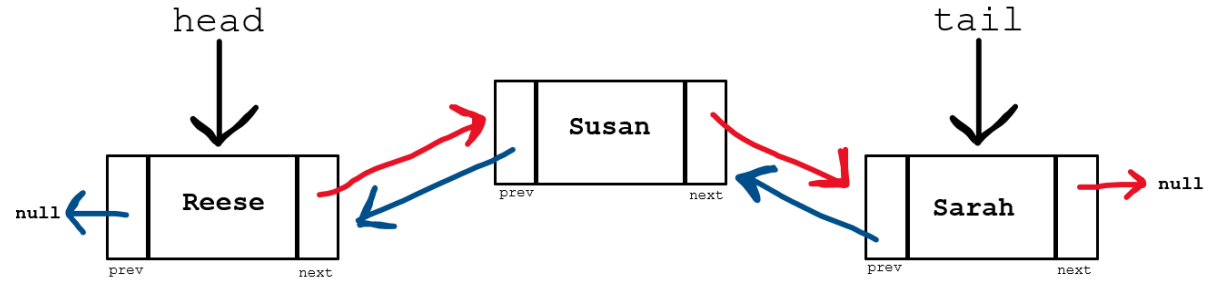
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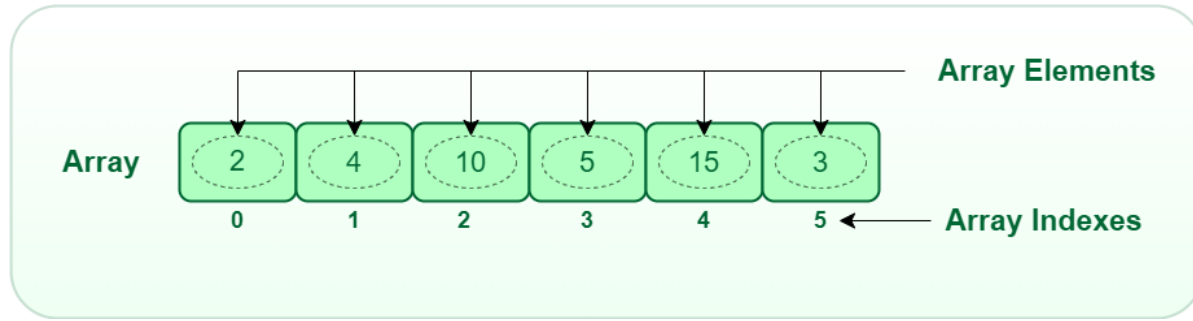
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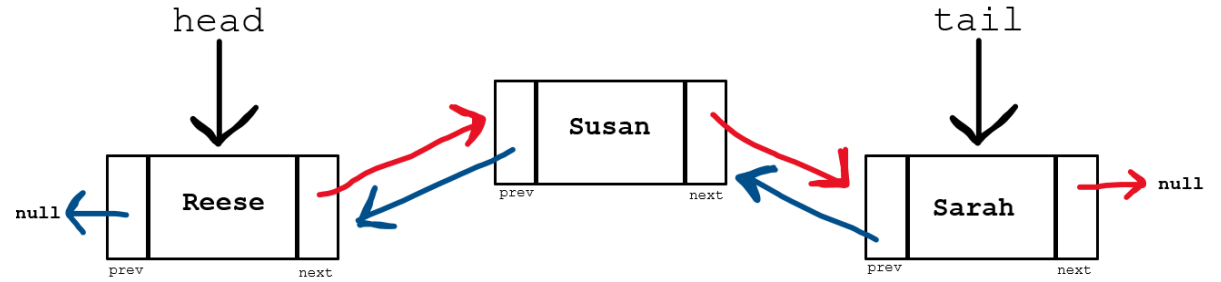
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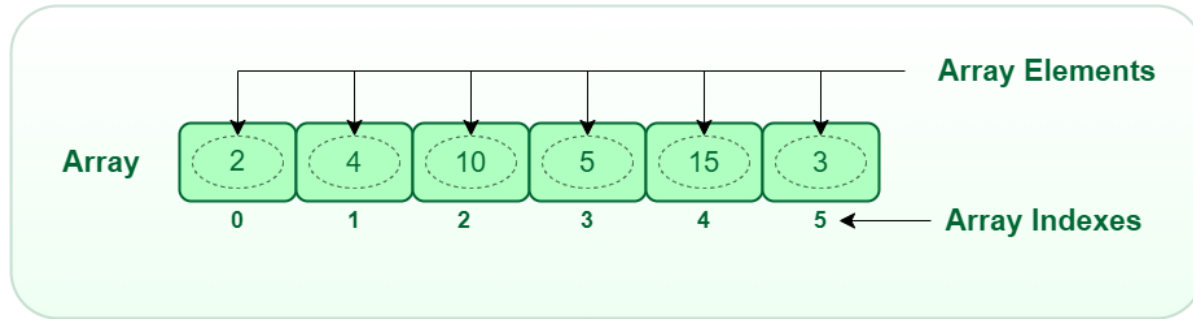


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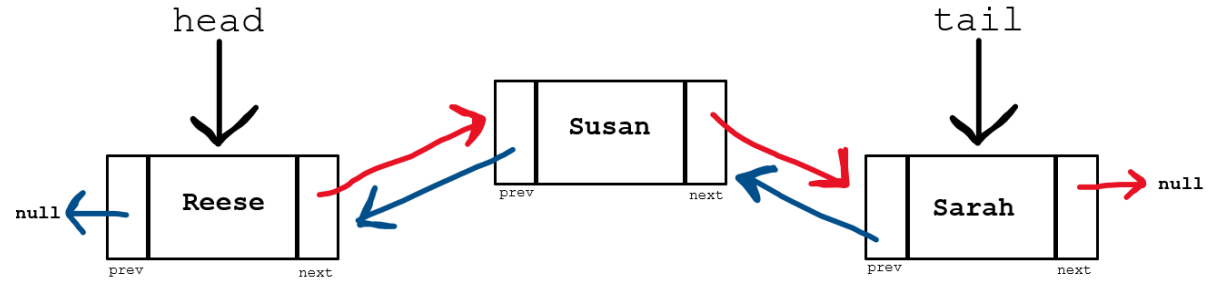


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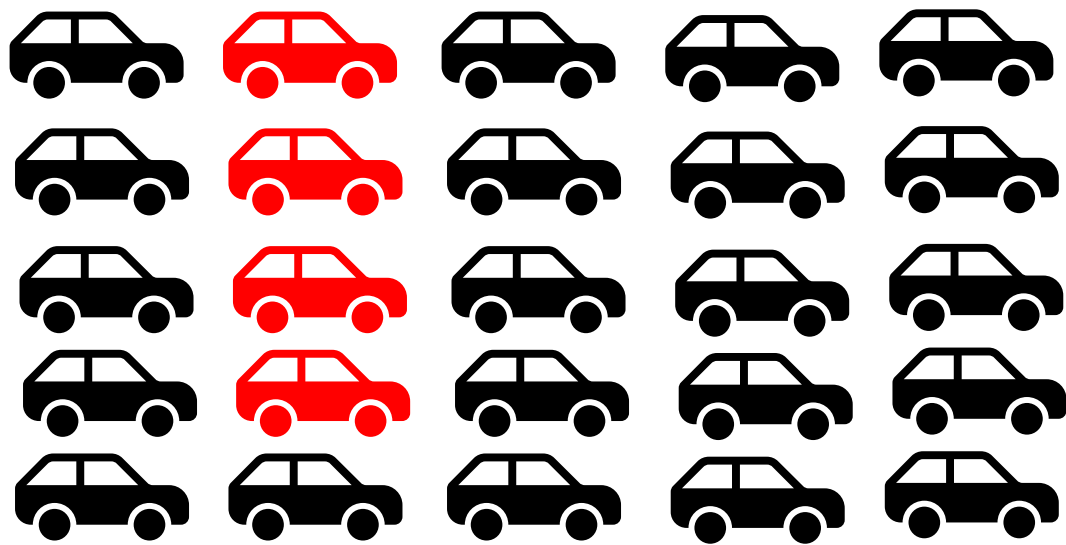
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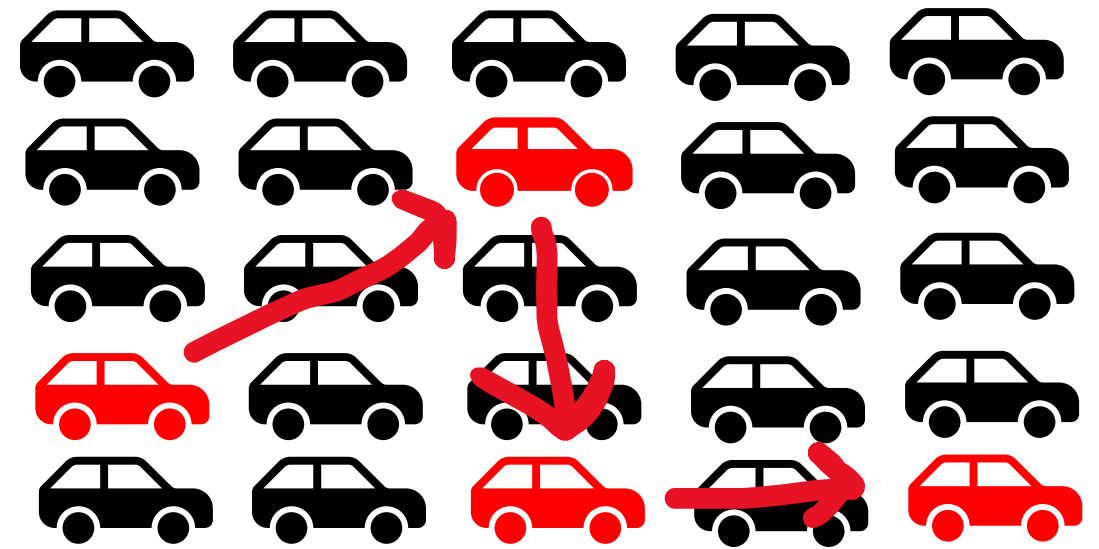
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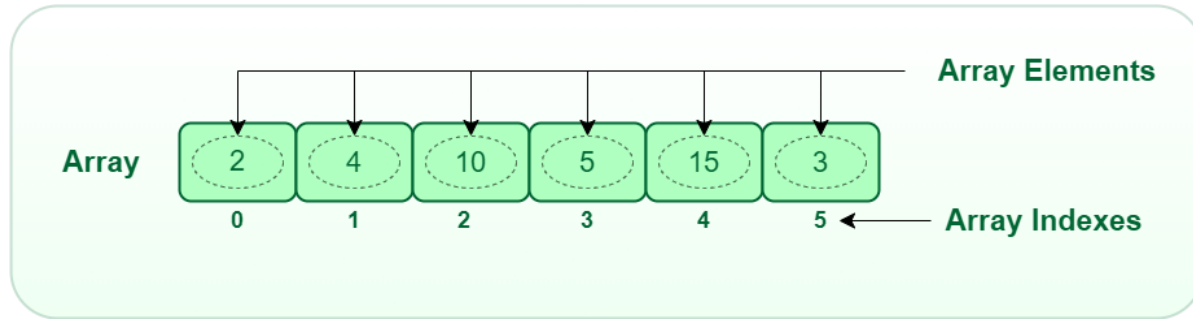
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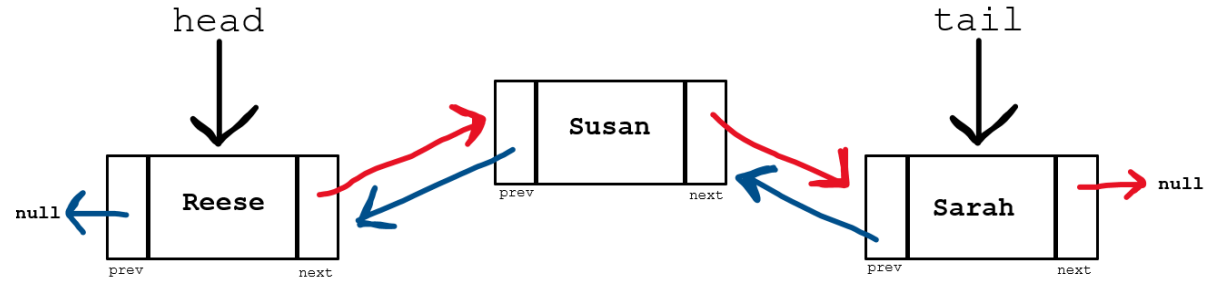


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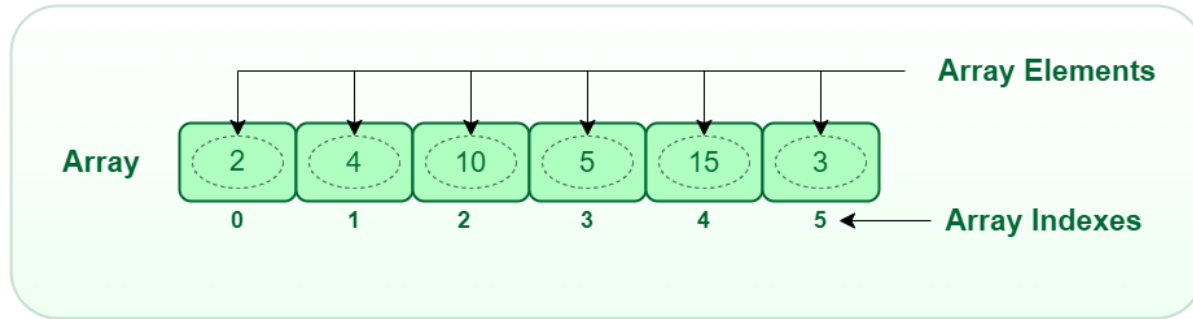
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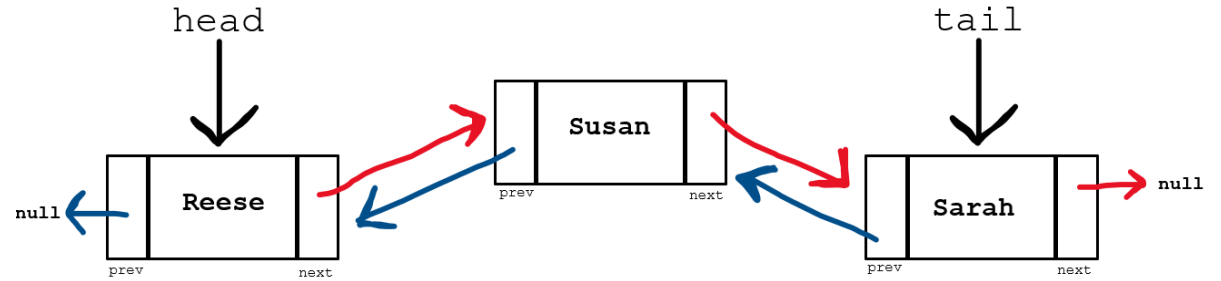
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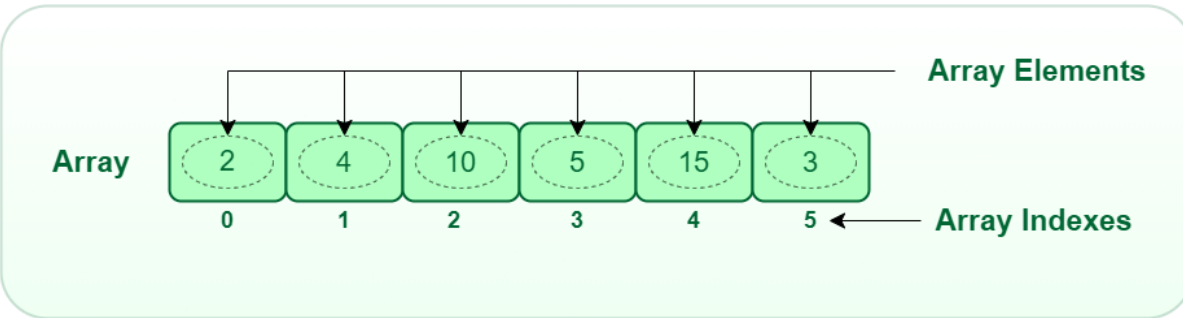


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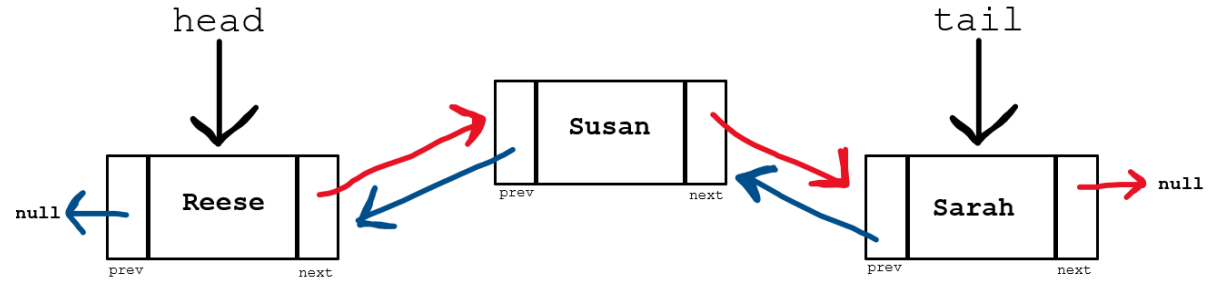


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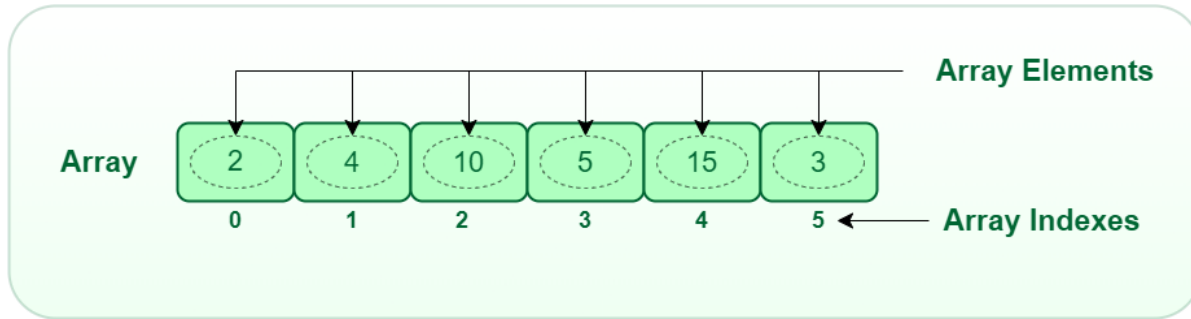


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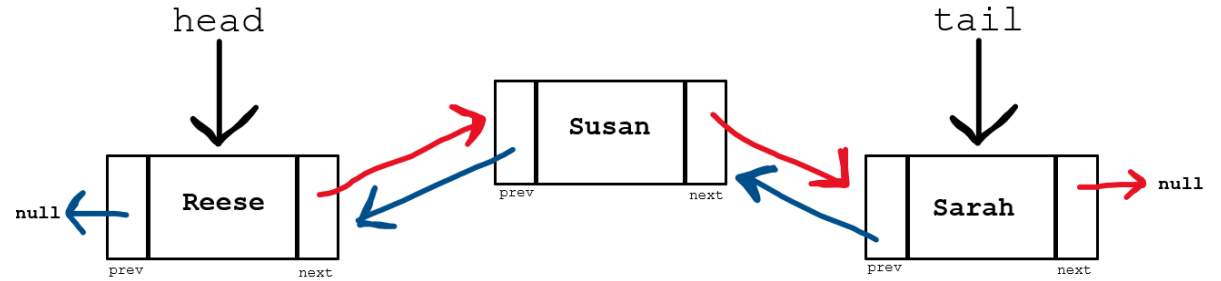


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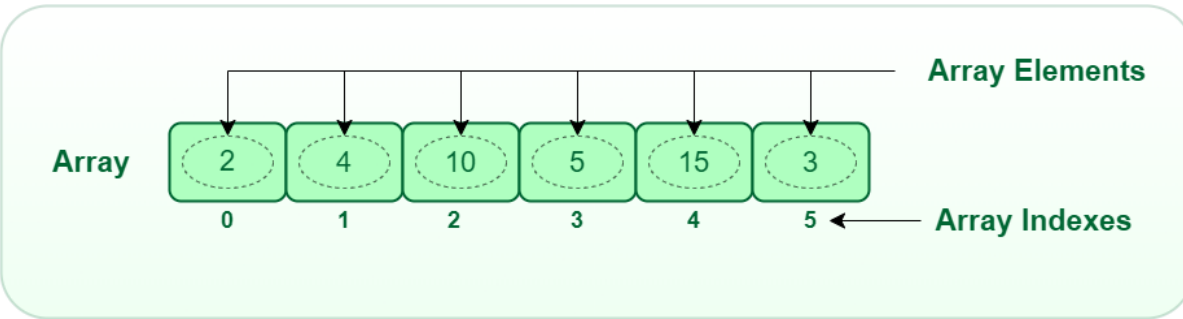


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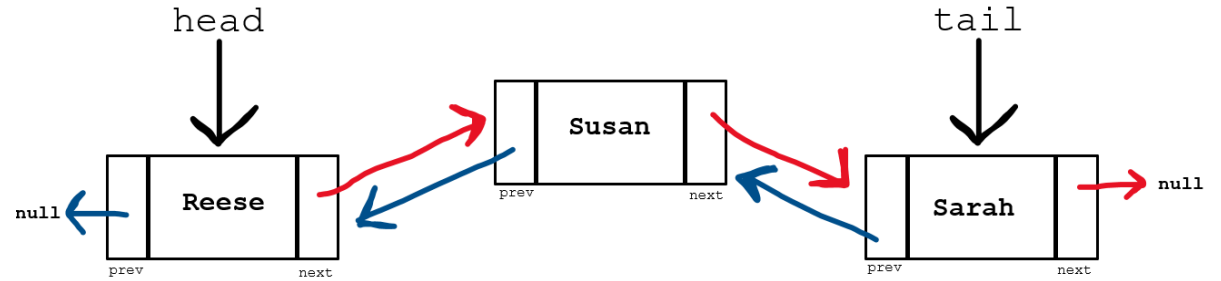
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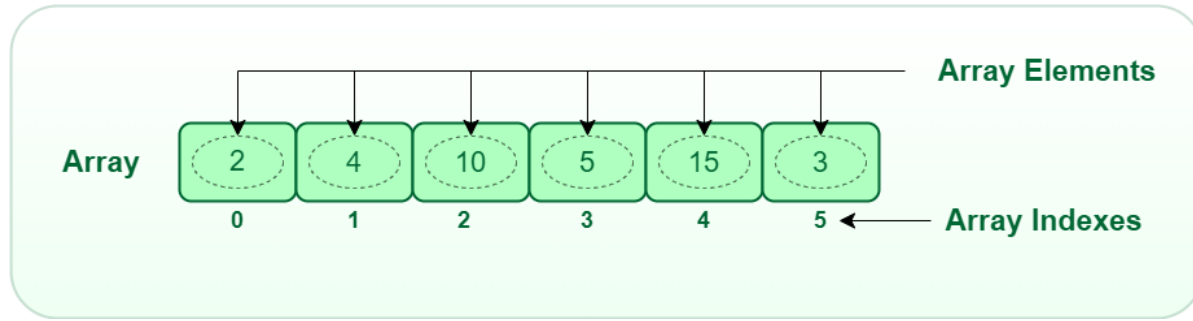


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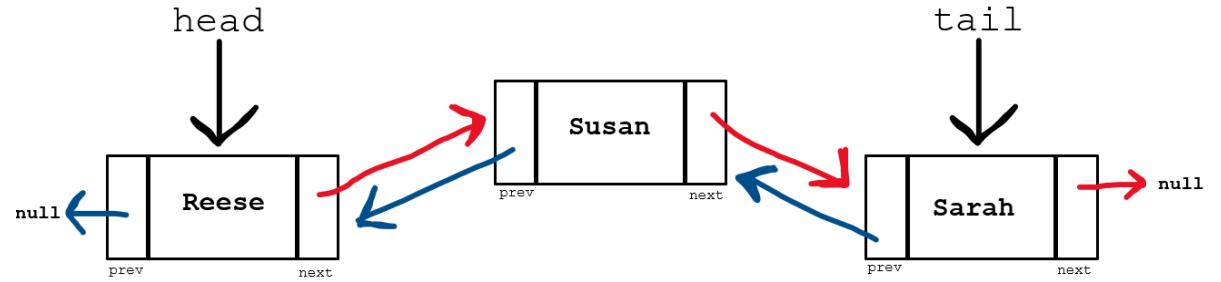
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**Takeaway:** Adding a new element to an ArrayList requires much more work than adding a new element to a Linked List

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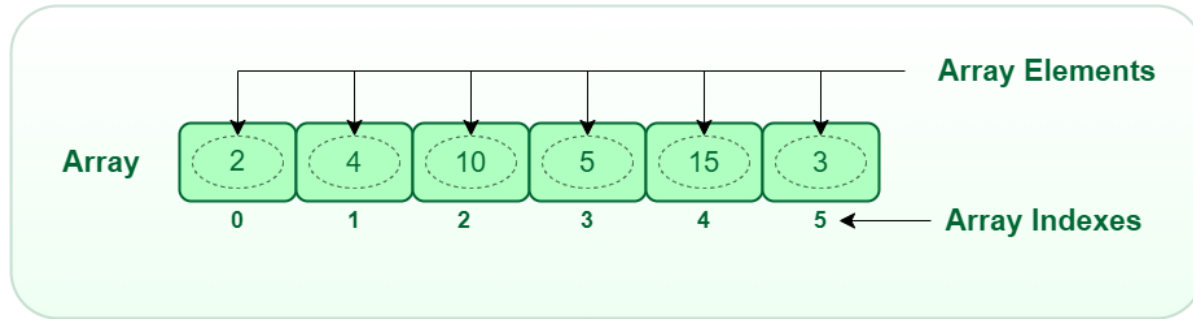
Arrays are generally much easier to sort than Nodes in a Linked List

If you are constantly needing to add new elements to the data structure, using a Linked List requires much less work in the long run

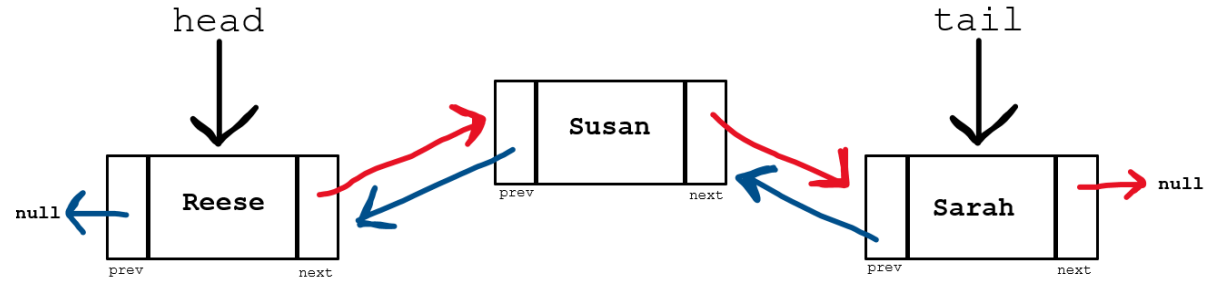
Arrays are more memory efficient (adding is not very memory efficient though)



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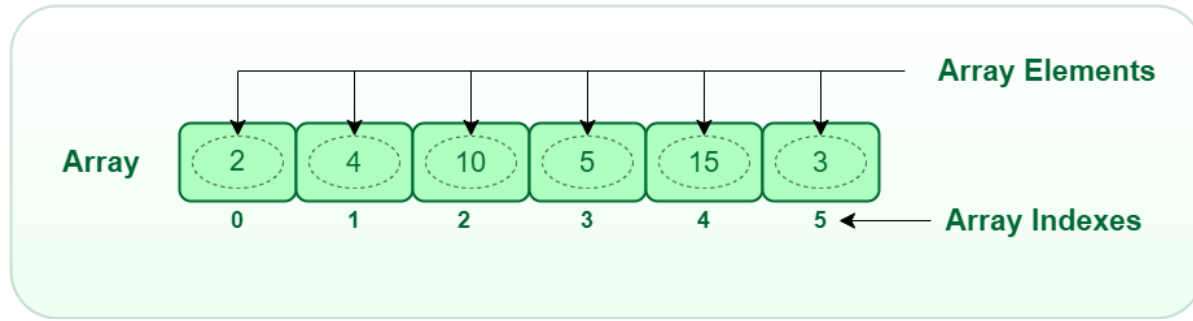
When to use each data structure?

It depends on ***how you are using your data*** and ***if you know how much data you have***

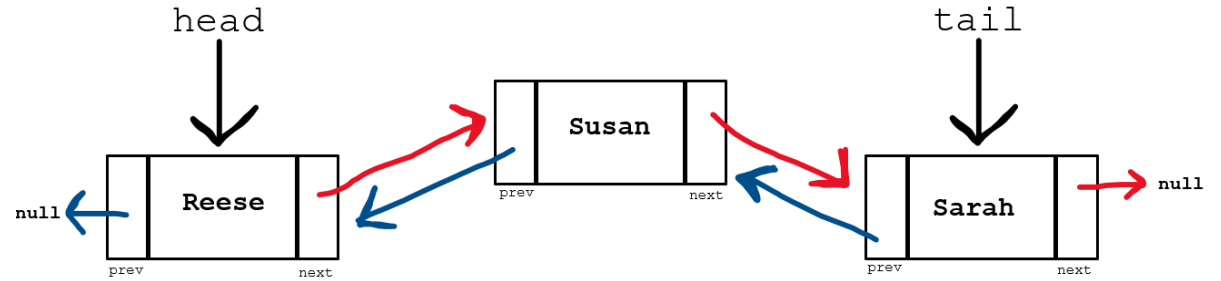
If you don't know how much data you need to store, or if you are constantly needing to add new elements to the data structure → **Linked Lists**

If you know how much data you need to store, and if you can add all your data at once → **Arrays/ArrayLists**

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Linked Lists

These two data structures are implementations of a **List** Abstract Data Type (ADT)

ADT is a class whose behavior is defined by a set of operations and how a user interacts with it.

A list data type must be able to **get** an element, **add** an element, **remove** an element, etc  
→ How they do these operations is up to the subclass (LL and AL)

As programmers, we use handy methods that were written by other people that allows us to use these data structures

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The data type the  
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Reference  
variable for LL

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<https://docs.oracle.com/javase/7/docs/api/java/util/LinkedList.html>

```
public class LinkedList<E>
extends AbstractSequentialList<E>
implements List<E>, Deque<E>, Cloneable, Serializable
```

Doubly-linked list implementation of the List and Deque interfaces. Implements all optional list operations, and permits all elements (including null).

All of the operations perform as could be expected for a doubly-linked list. Operations that index into the list will traverse the list from the beginning or the end, whichever is closer to the specified index.

The **documentation** describe how the LinkedList class was implemented, and all the methods/operations we can do with the Linked List class

Methods	
Modifier and Type	Method and Description
boolean	add(E e) Appends the specified element to the end of this list.
void	add(int index, E element) Inserts the specified element at the specified position in this list.
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void	addFirst(E e) Inserts the specified element at the beginning of this list.
void	addLast(E e) Appends the specified element to the end of this list.
void	clear() Removes all of the elements from this list.
Object	clone() Returns a shallow copy of this LinkedList.
boolean	contains(Object o) Returns true if this list contains the specified element.
Iterator<E>	descendingIterator() Returns an iterator over the elements in this deque in reverse sequential order.
E	element() Retrieves, but does not remove, the head (first element) of this list.
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when you start coding in a new language without reading the documentation:



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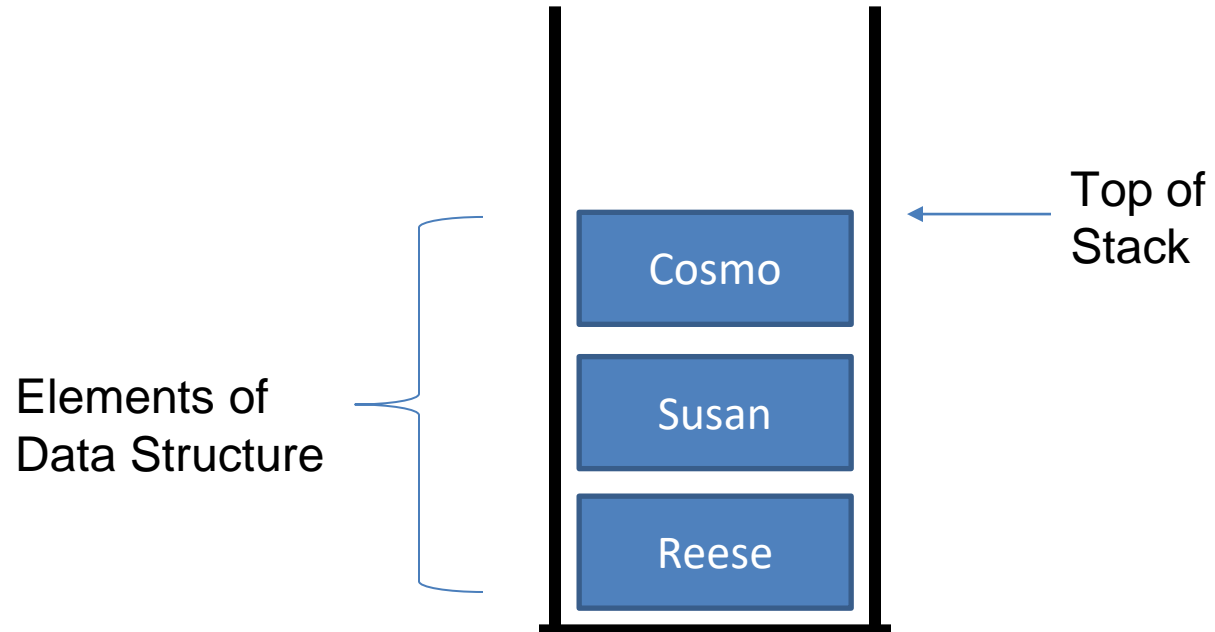
        names.add("Reese");
        names.add("Spencer");
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        System.out.println(names);

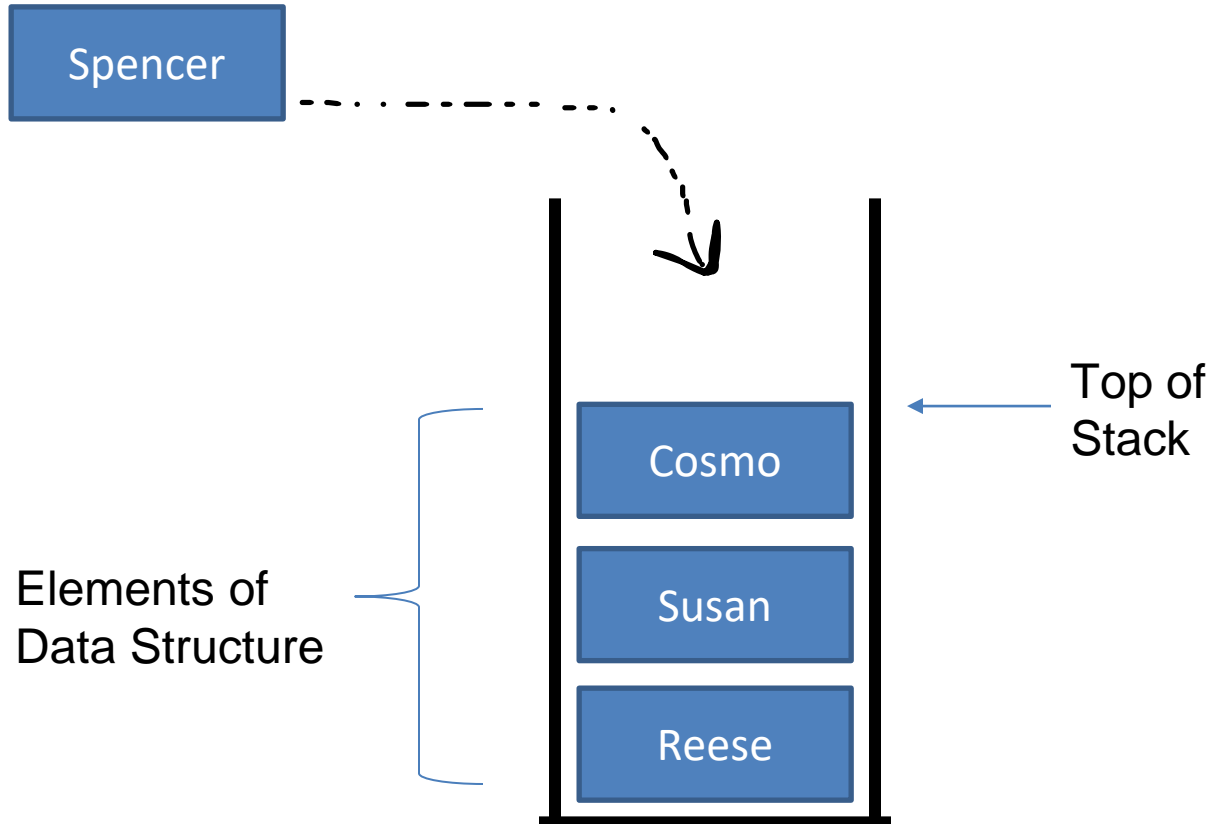
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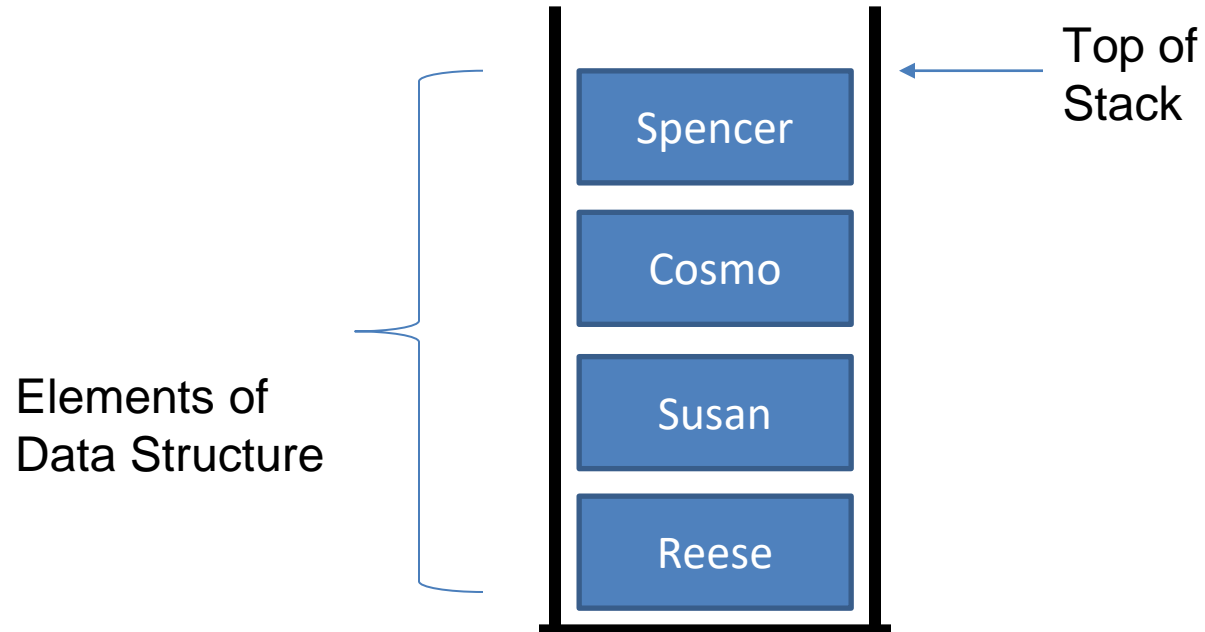


When only interact with the top of the stack.

If we want to add a new element, we must put it on the top of the stack

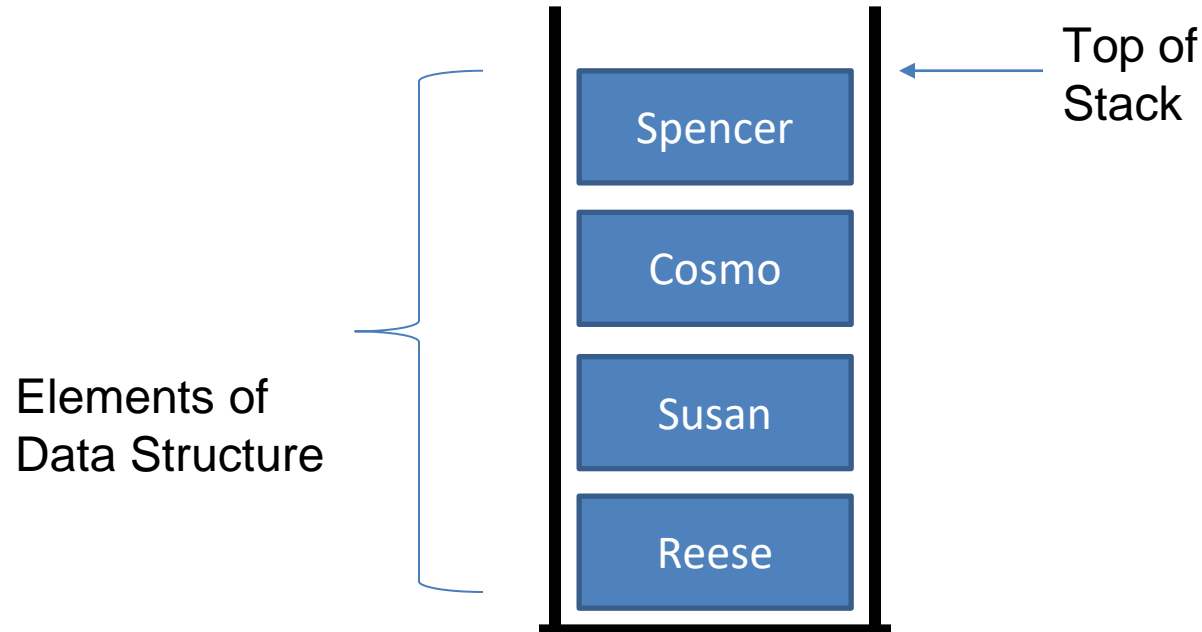


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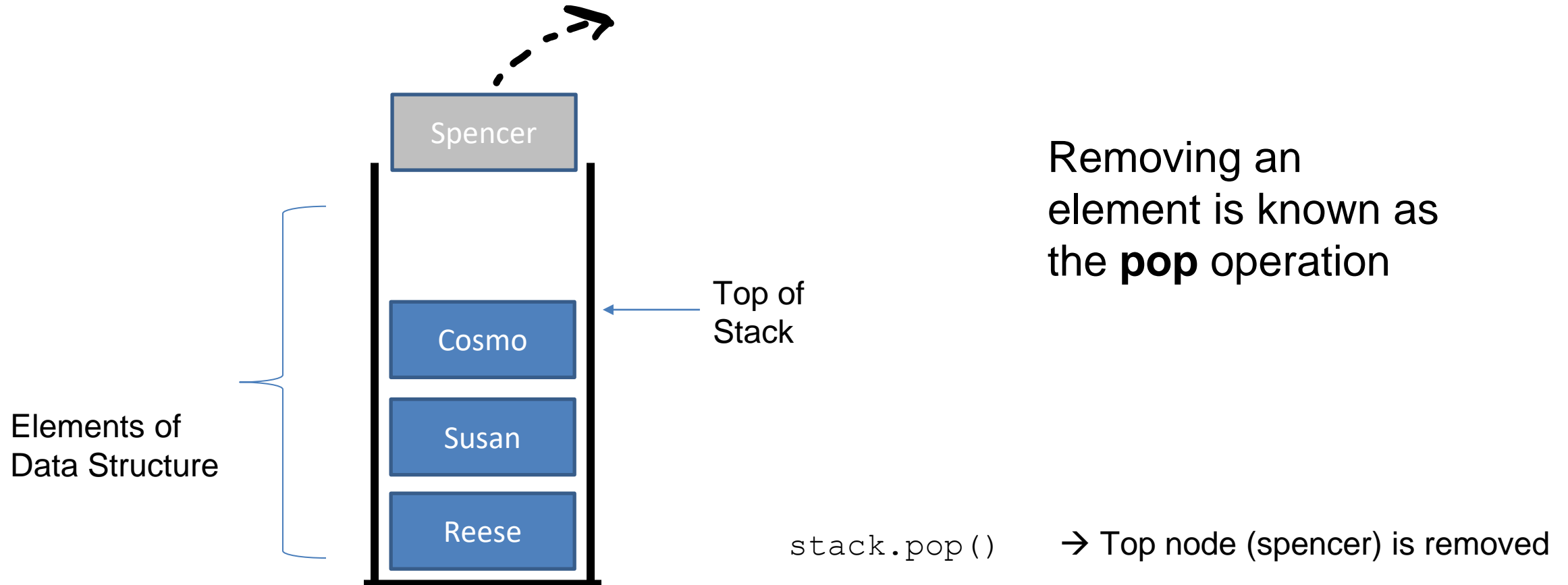
Adding something to a stack is known as the **push** operation

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If we want to remove something, we must always remove the element on the top of the stack

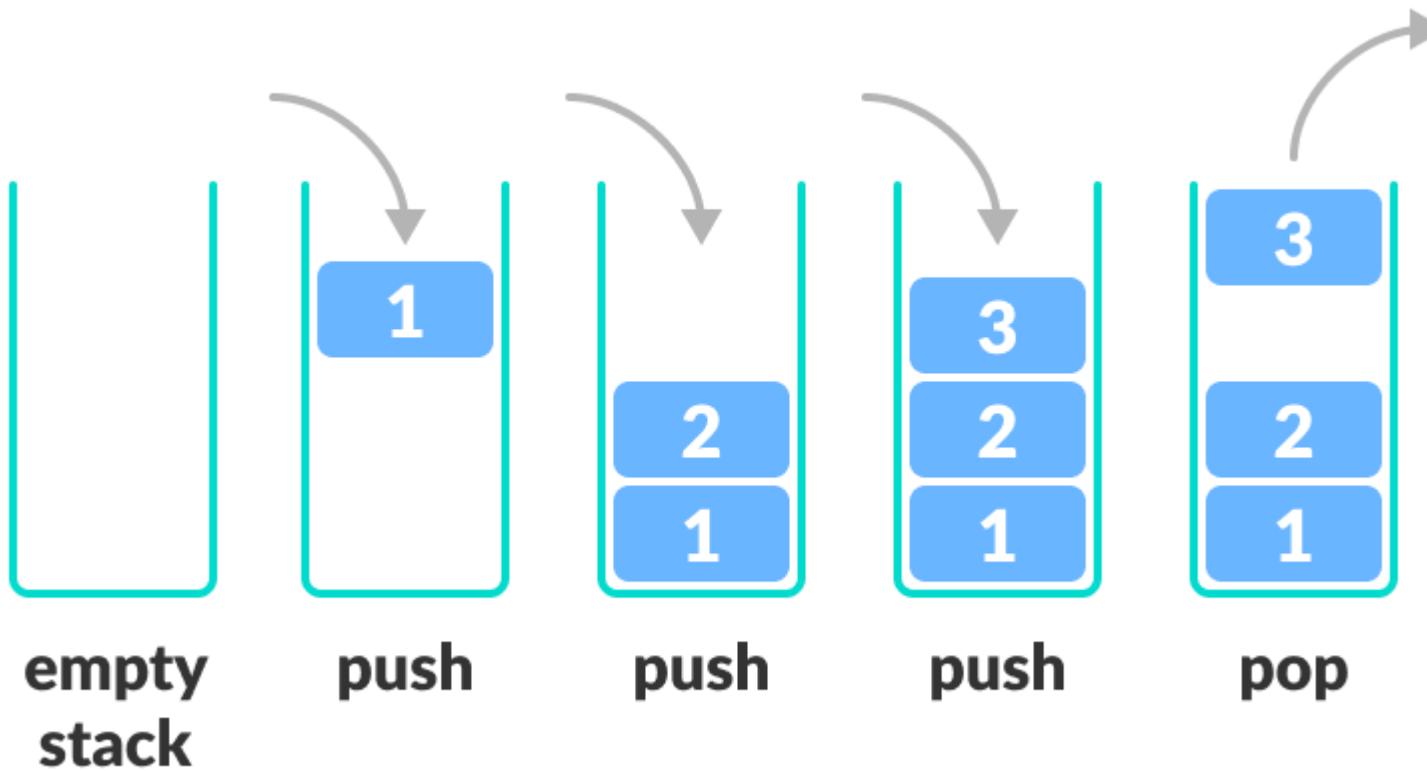
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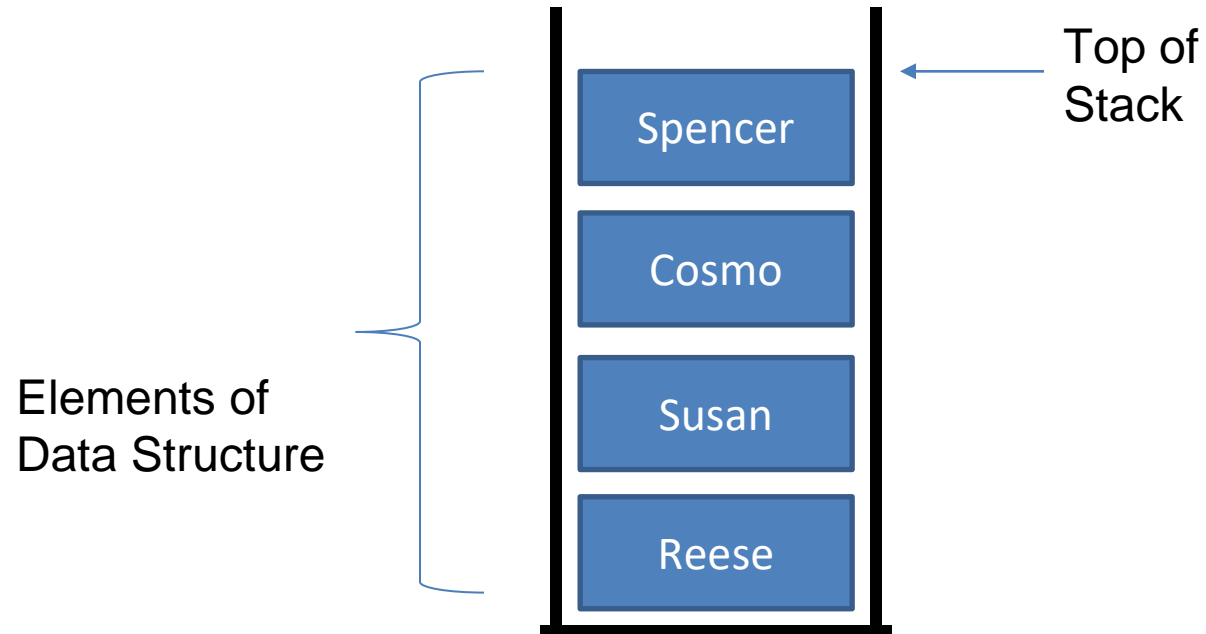
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We can:

- Add an element to the top of the stack (push)
- Remove the top element (pop)



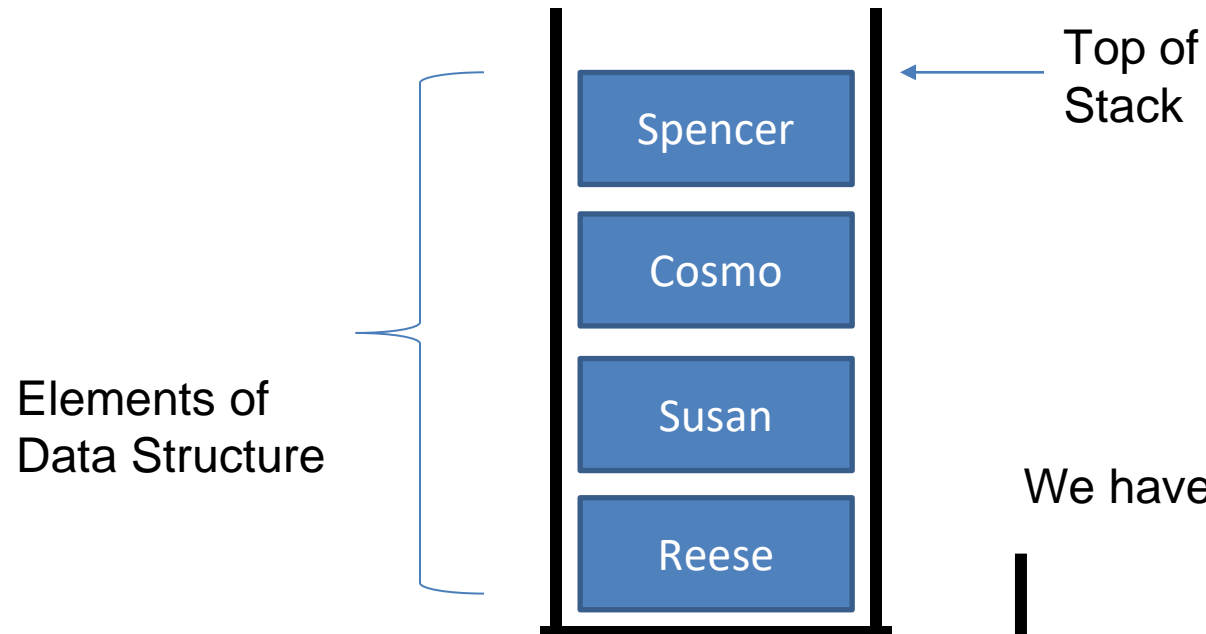
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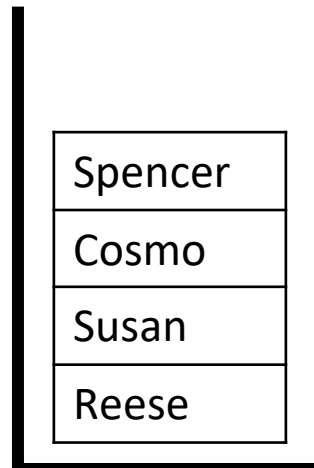
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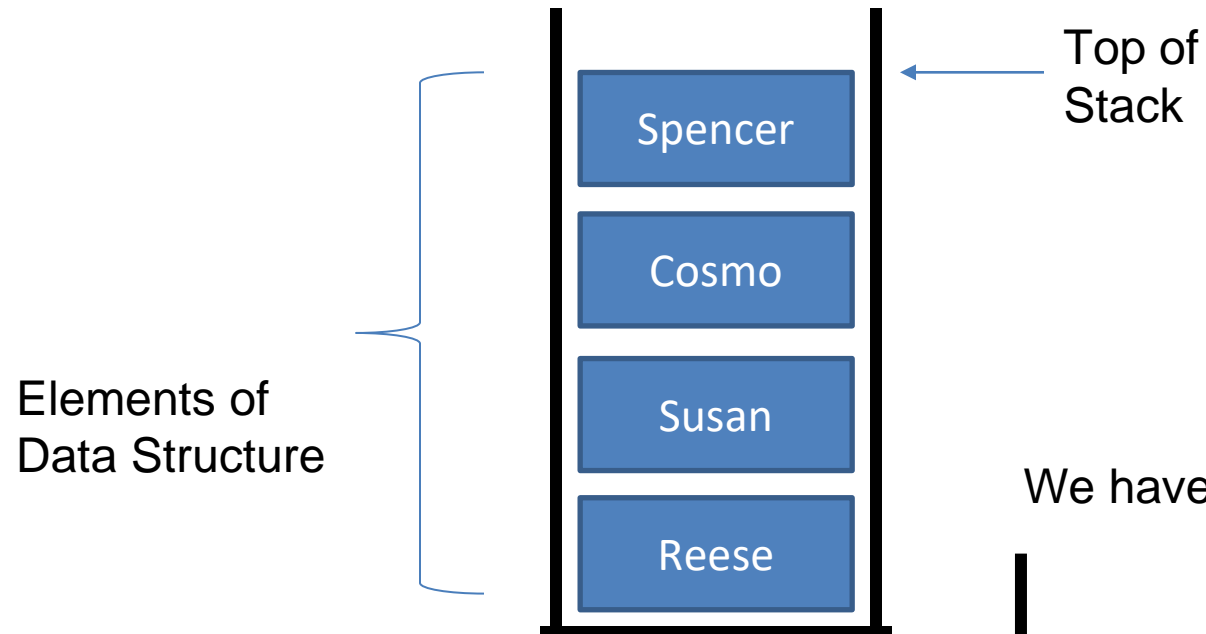
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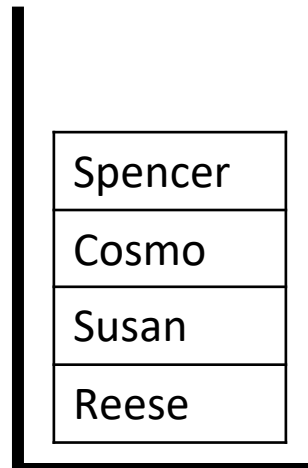
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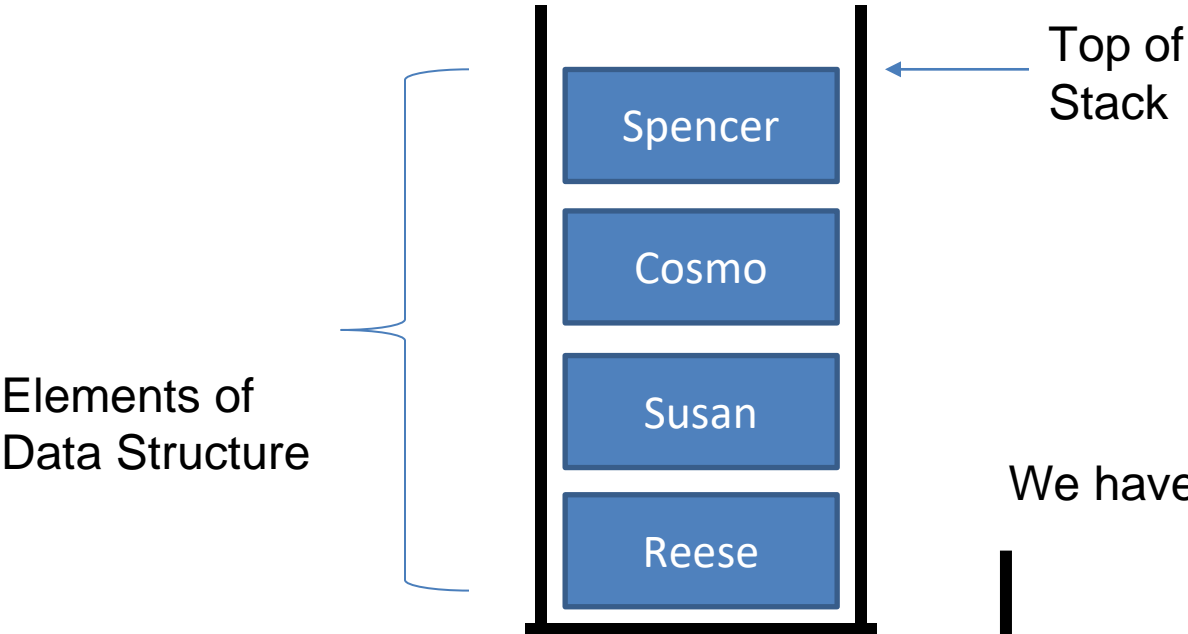
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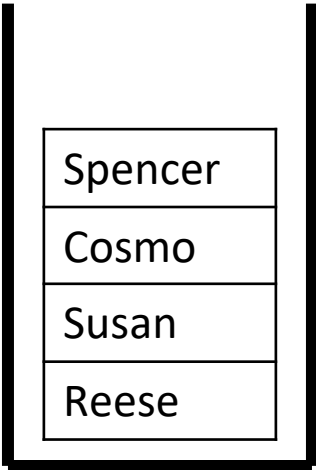
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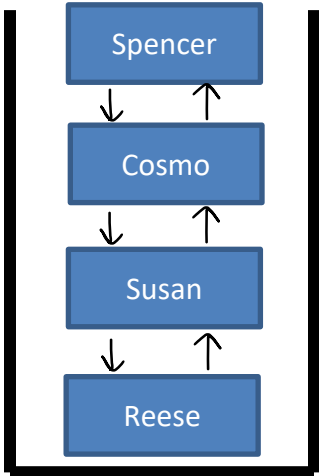
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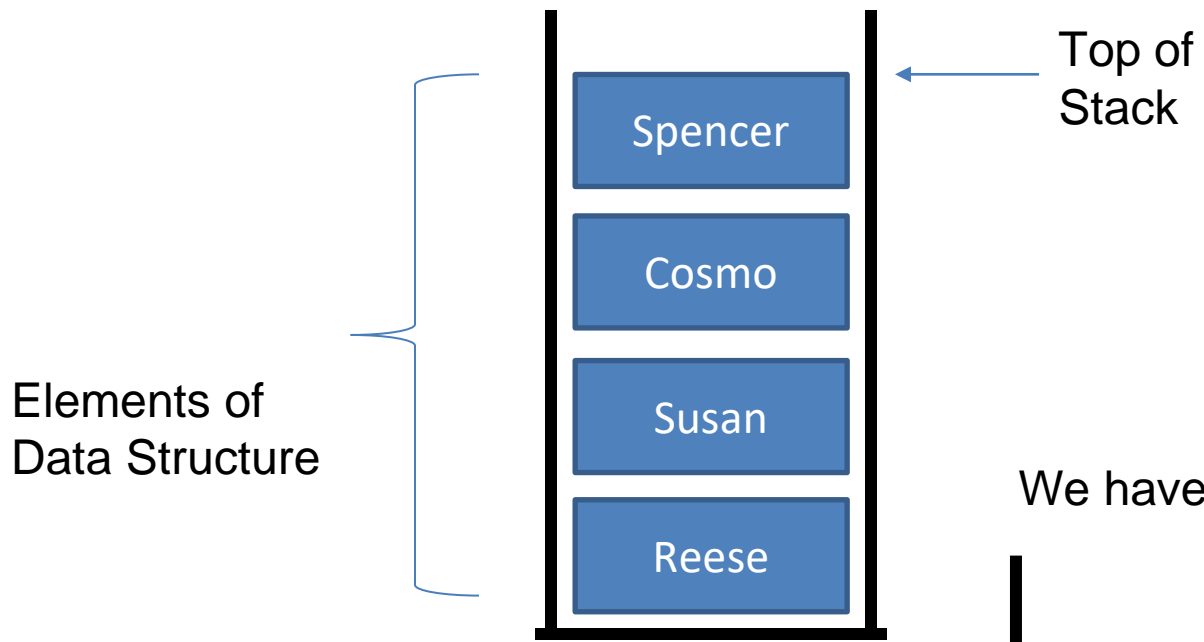
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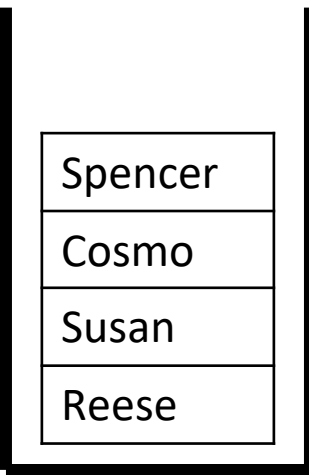


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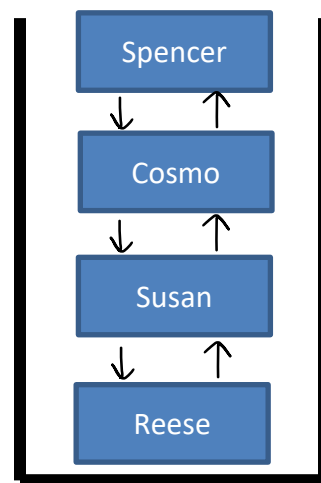
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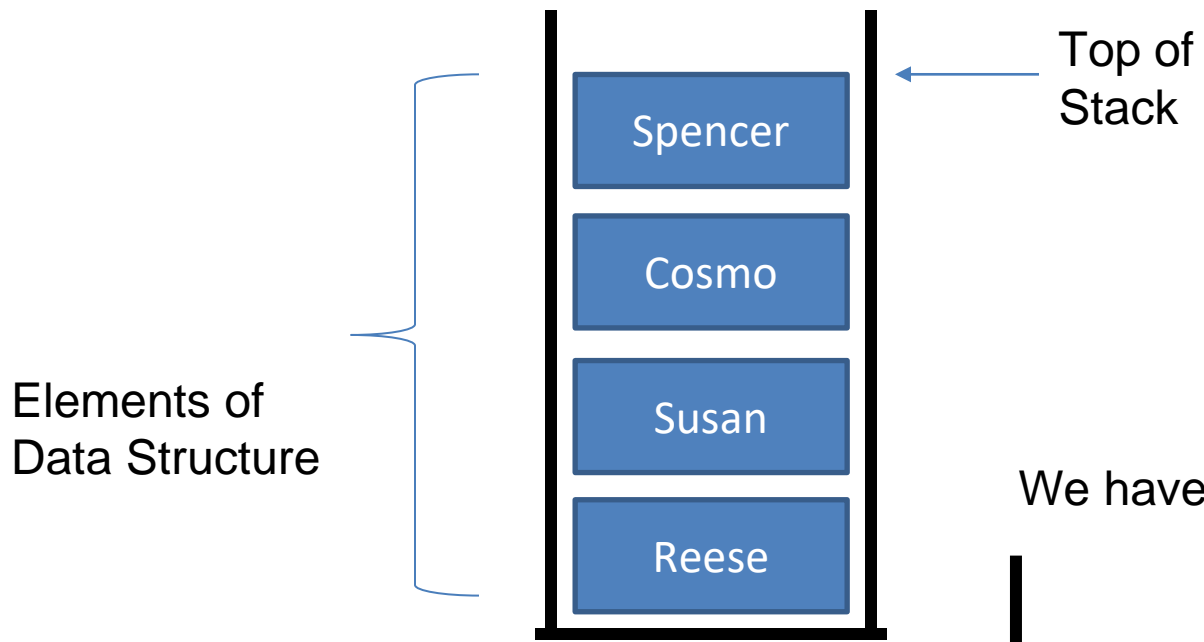


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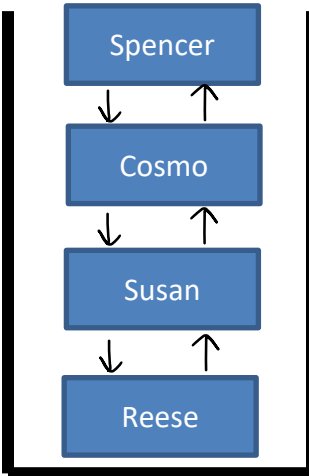
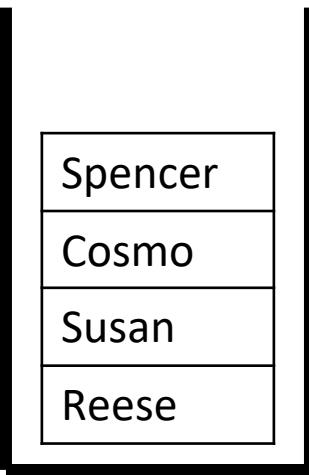
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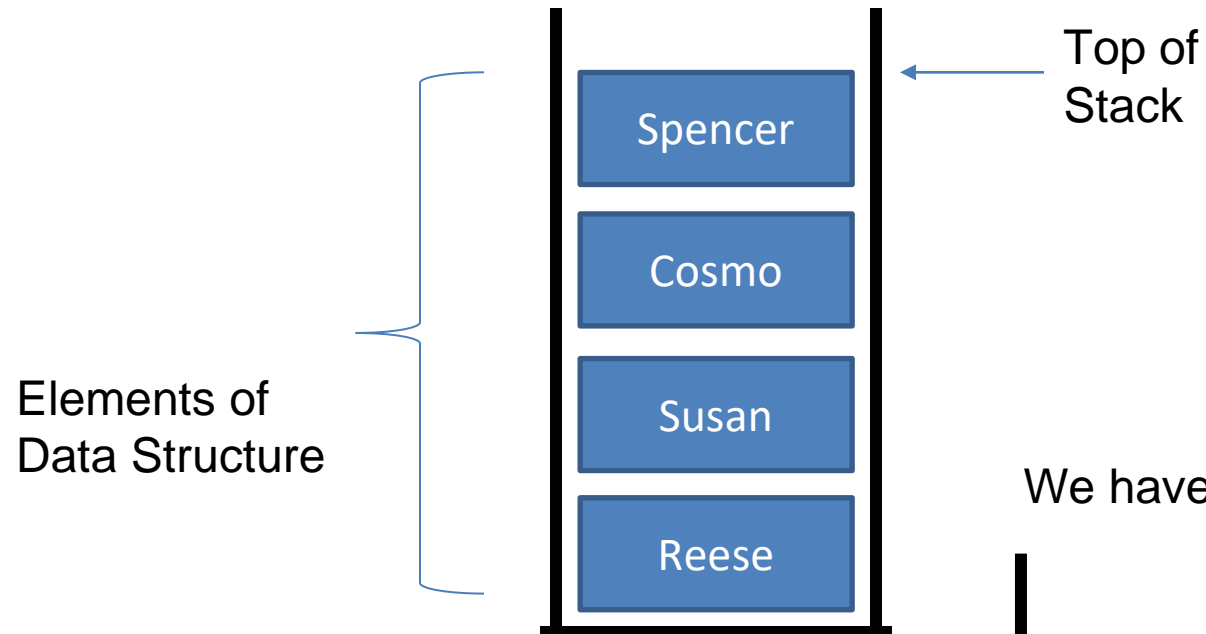
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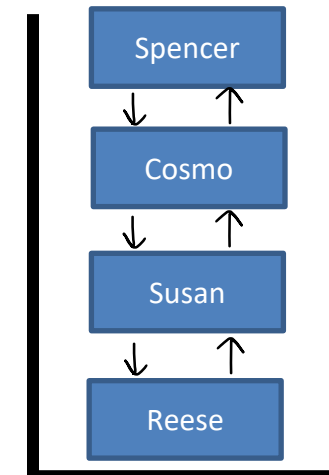
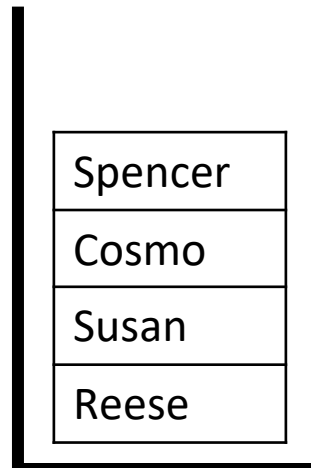
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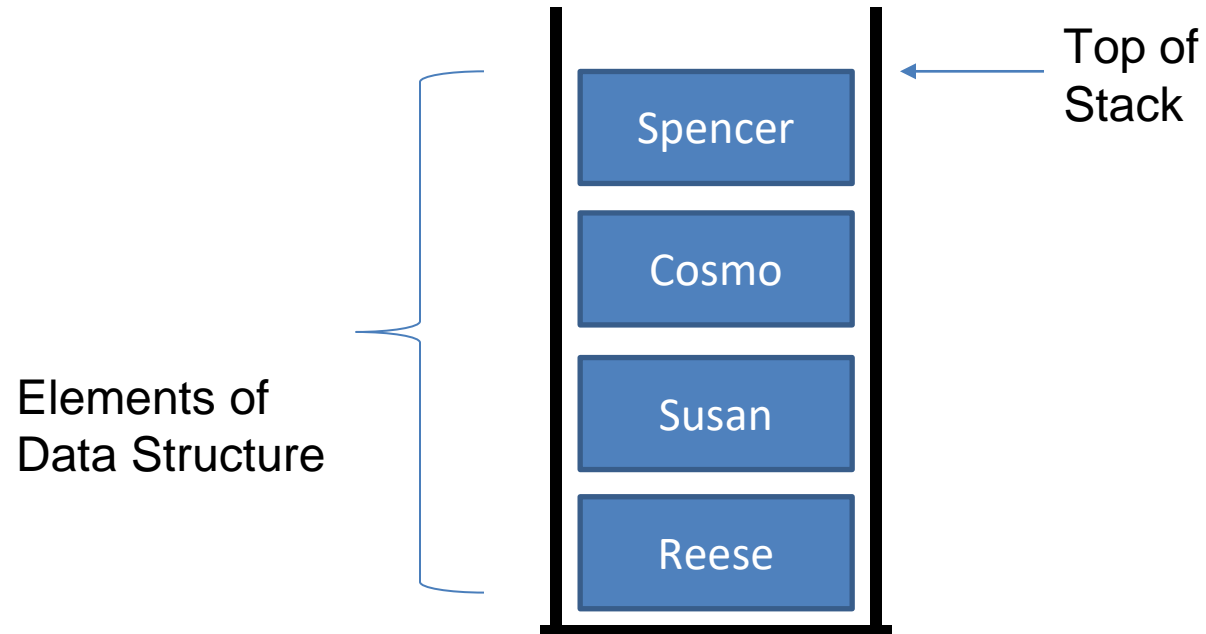
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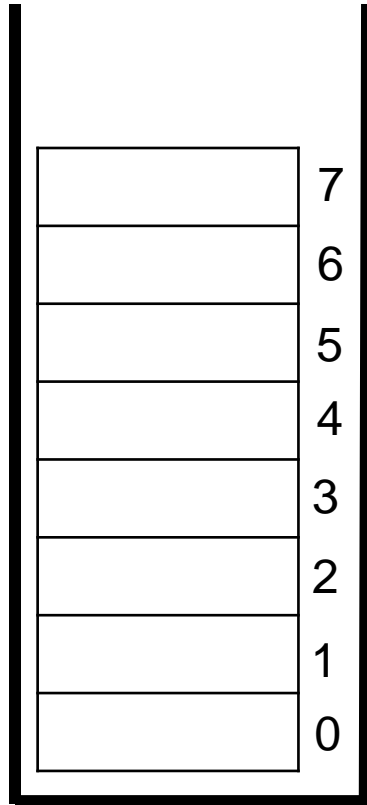


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1. Something to hold our stack elements (Array/LinkedList)
2. Something that points the current top element of the stack
3. The size of the stack

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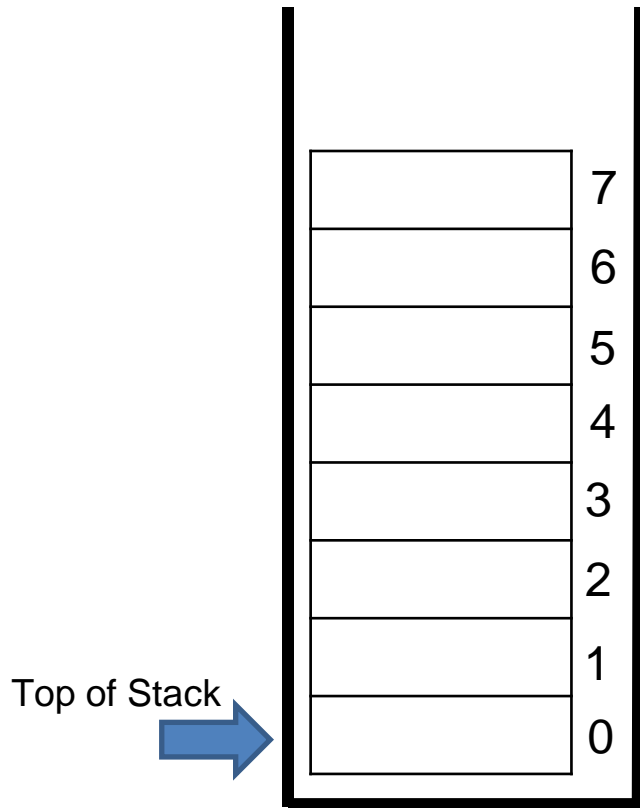
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The bottom of the stack will always be at index 0, and grows towards the higher indices

```
String[] data = new String[8]
```

When the stack is empty, the index of the bottom of the stack, and the index of the top of the stack will be the same

```
top_of_stack = 0
```

The size of the stack will start at 0

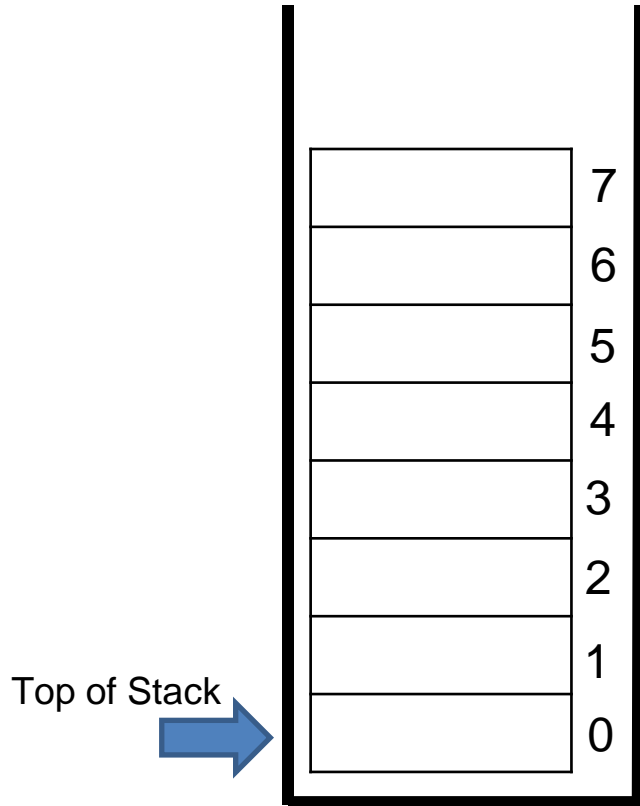
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Stack Instance Fields

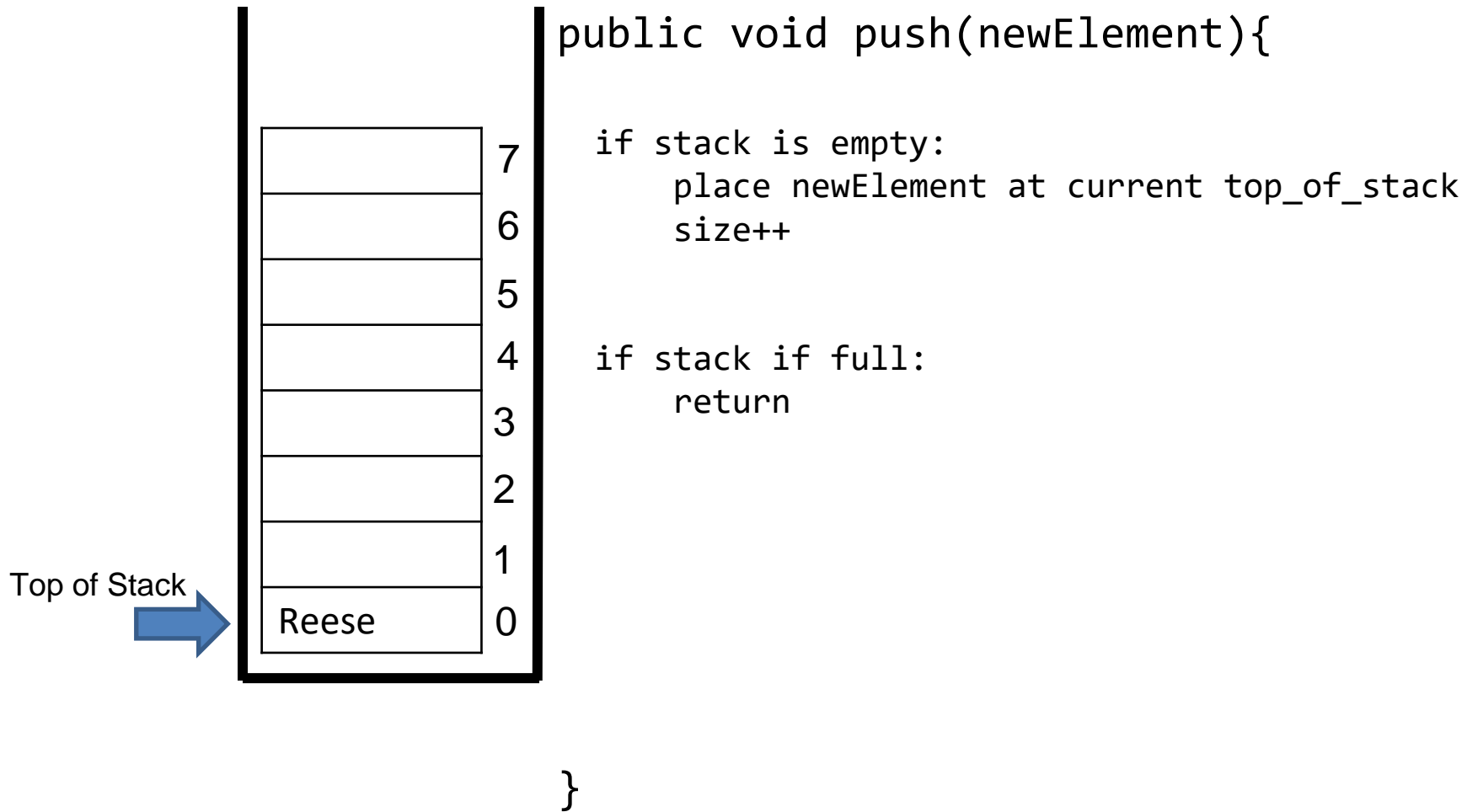
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```

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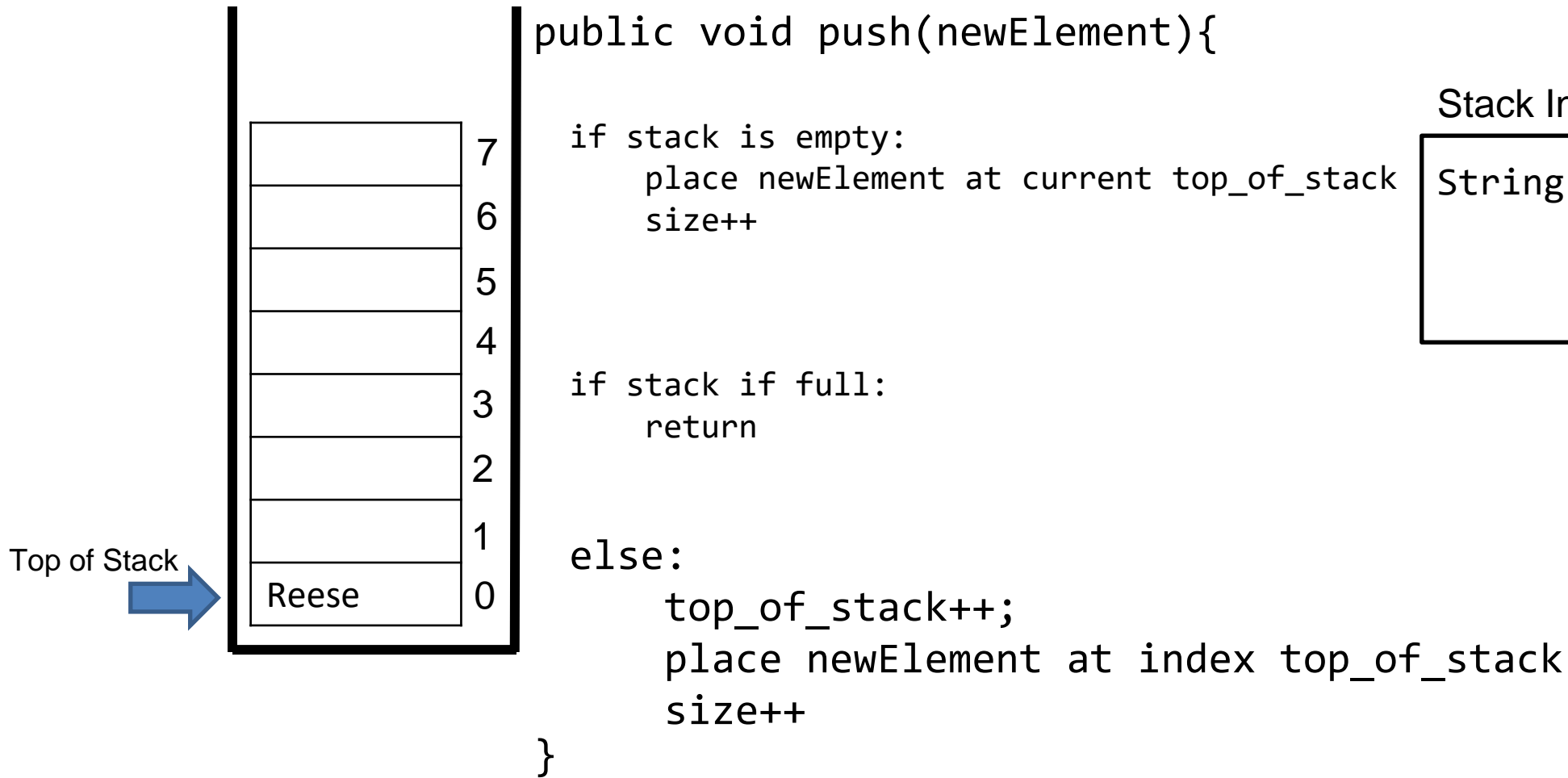


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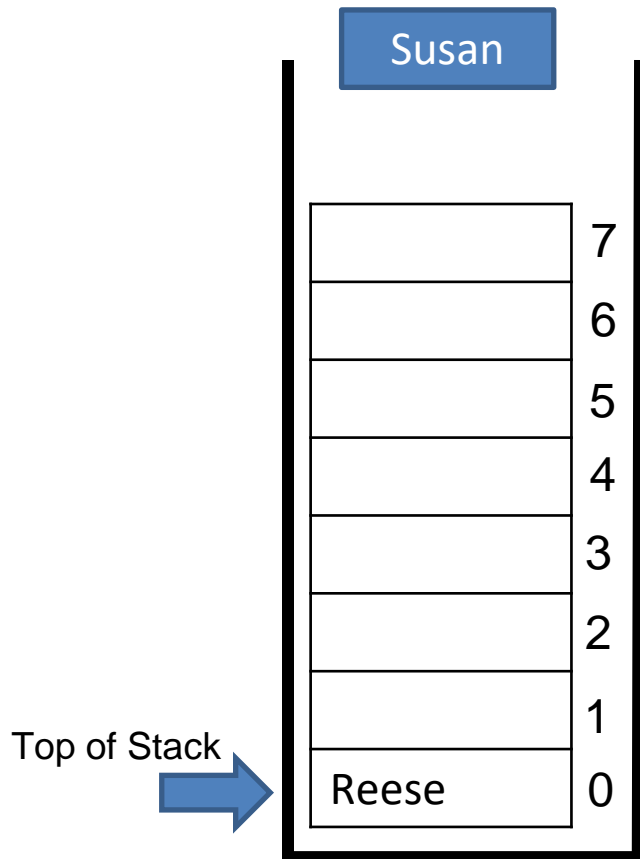
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stack.push("Susan")
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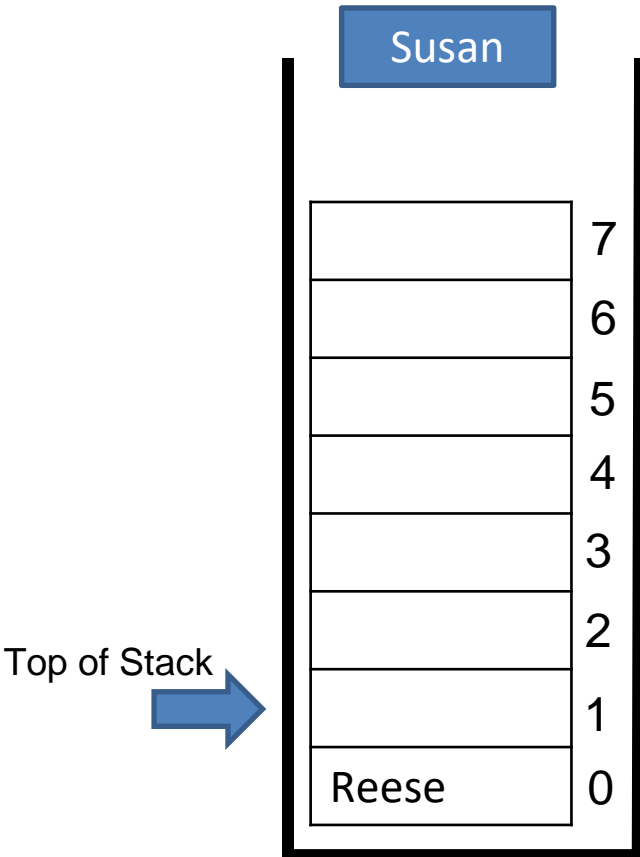
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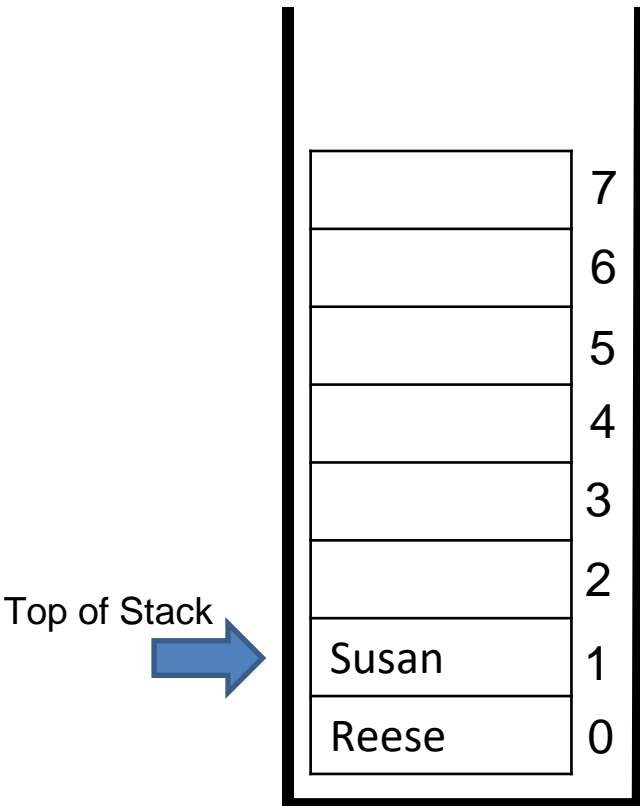
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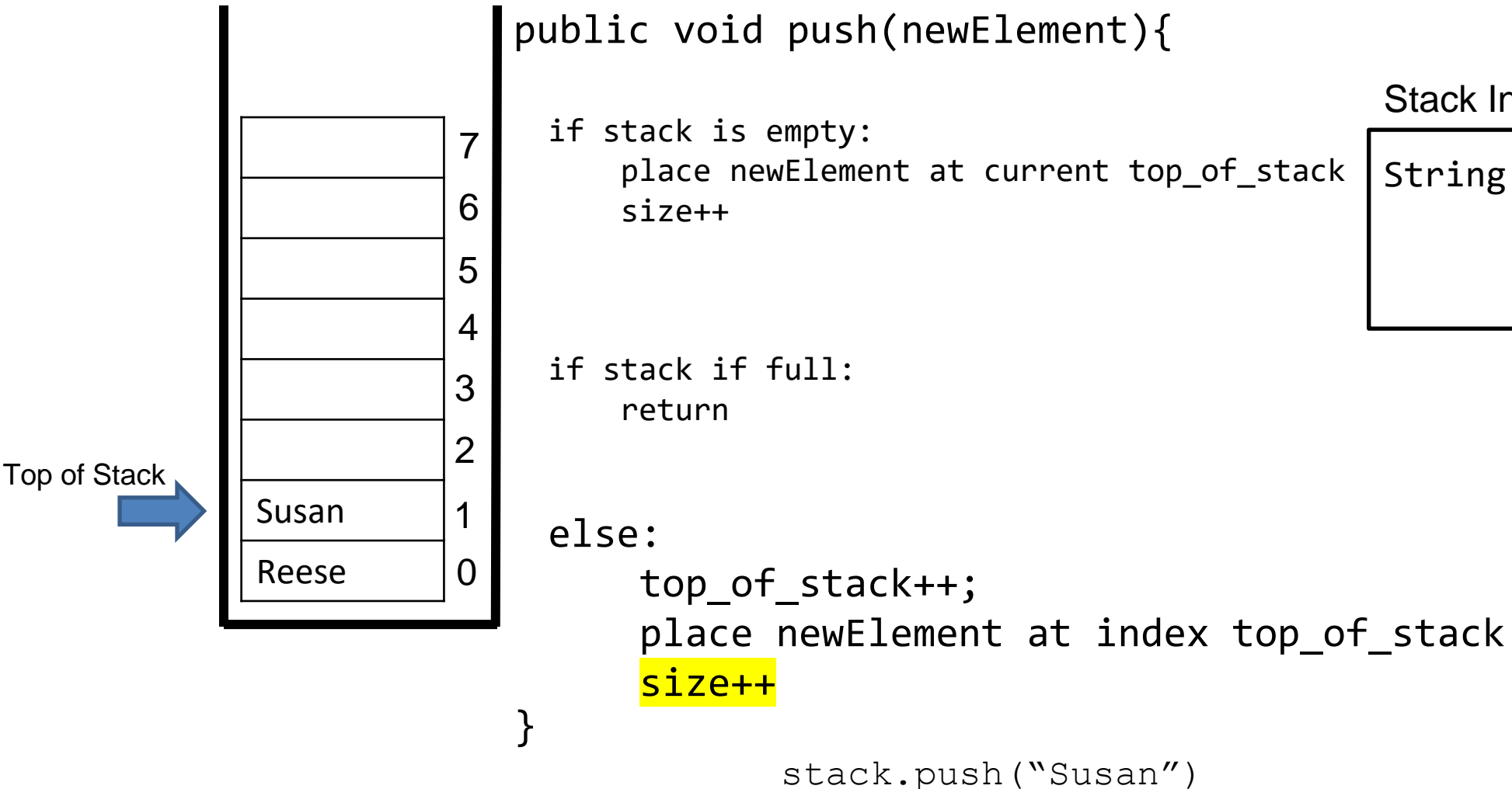
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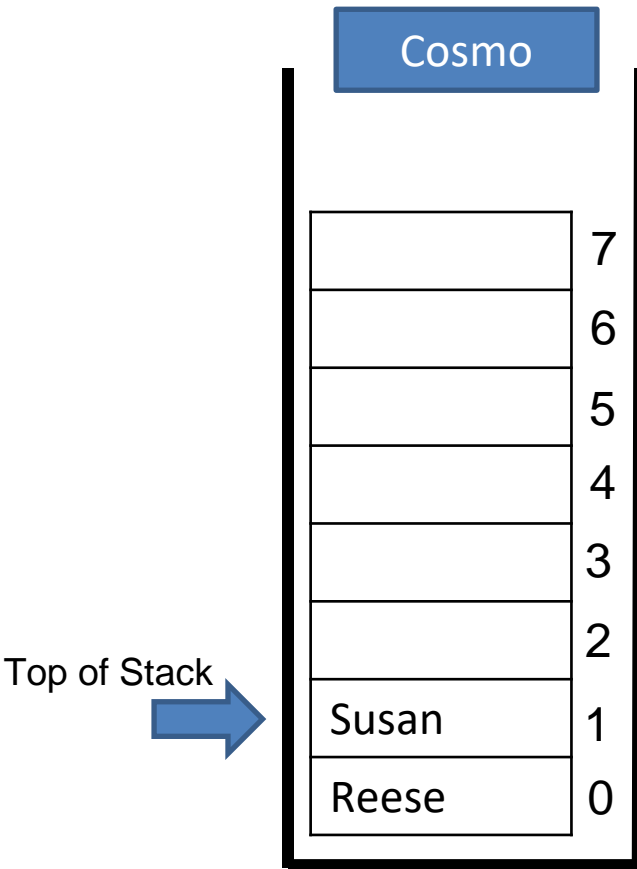
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Stack Instance Fields

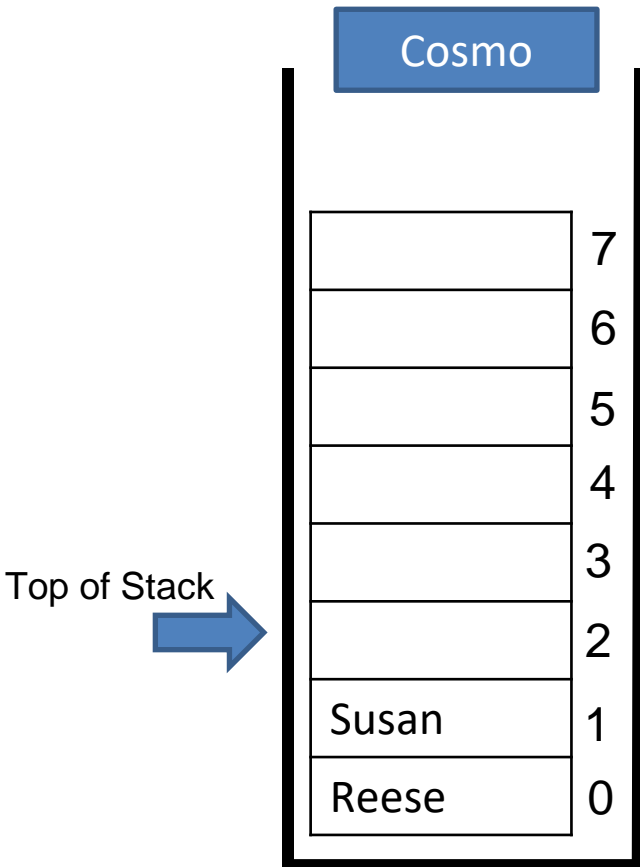
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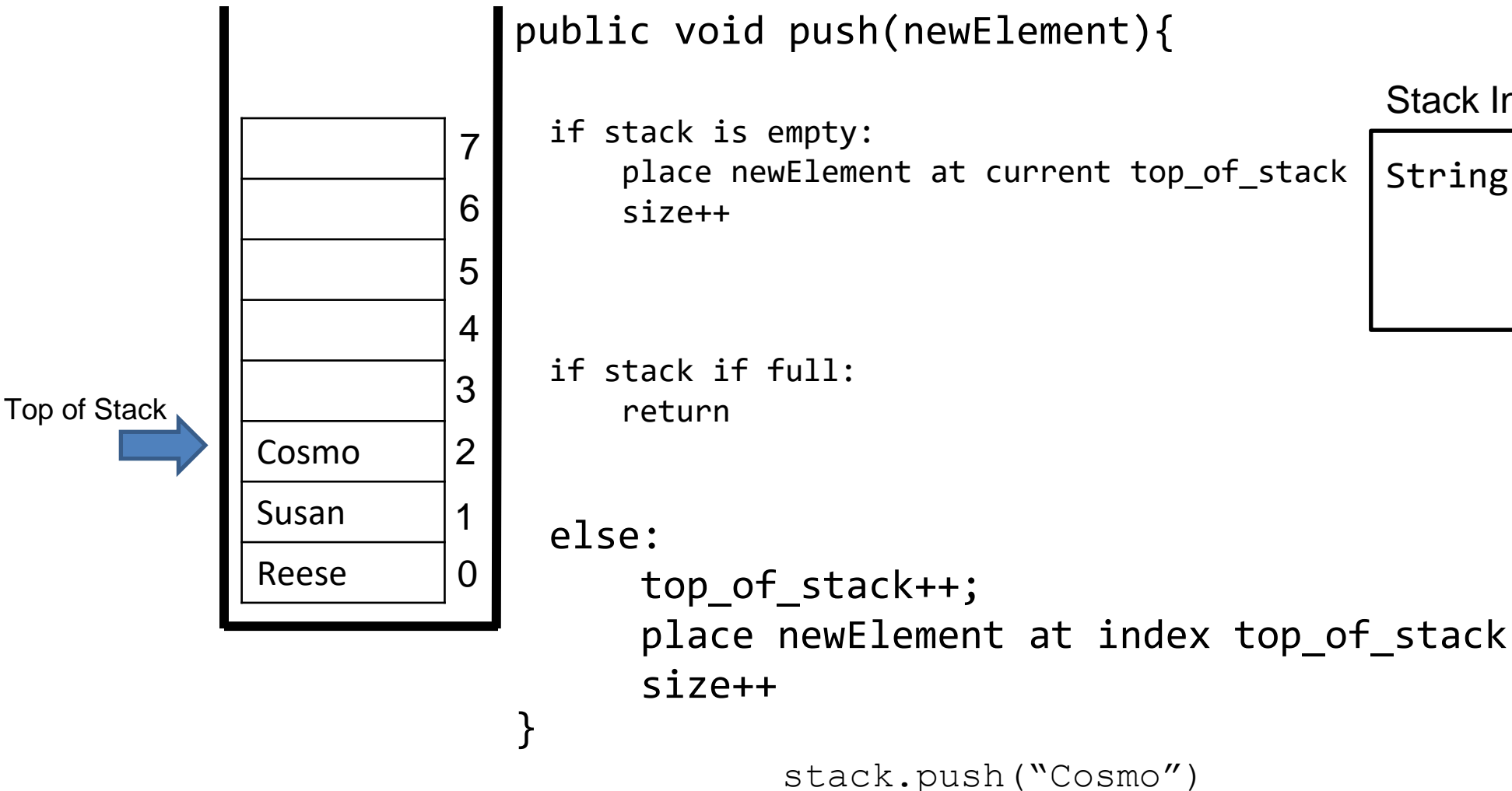
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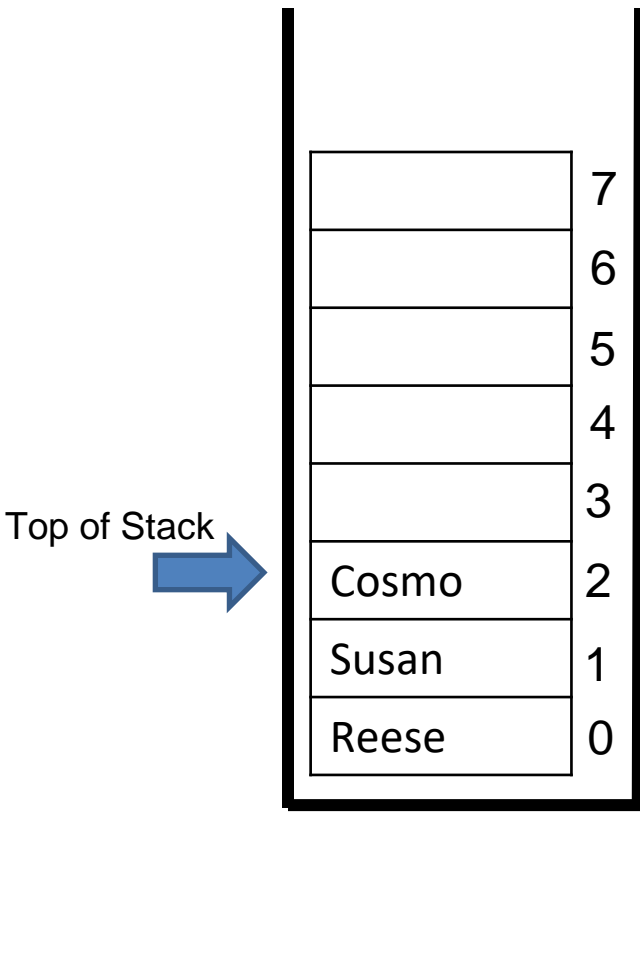
Stack Instance Fields

```
String[] data = new String[8]  
        top_of_stack = 2  
        size = 3
```



# Stack Implementation (Array)

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```
public void pop(){
```

The pop method will always remove the element on the top of the stack

```
}
```

To Do List:

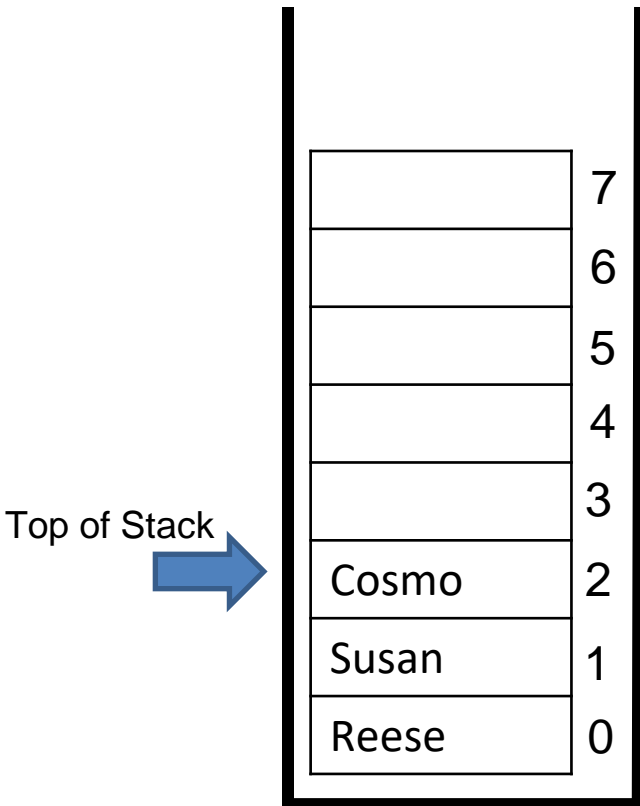
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```
public void pop(){  
  
    if stack is empty:  
        return  
  
    Set index top_of_stack to be null  
    top_of_stack--  
    size--  
}
```

```
stack.pop()
```

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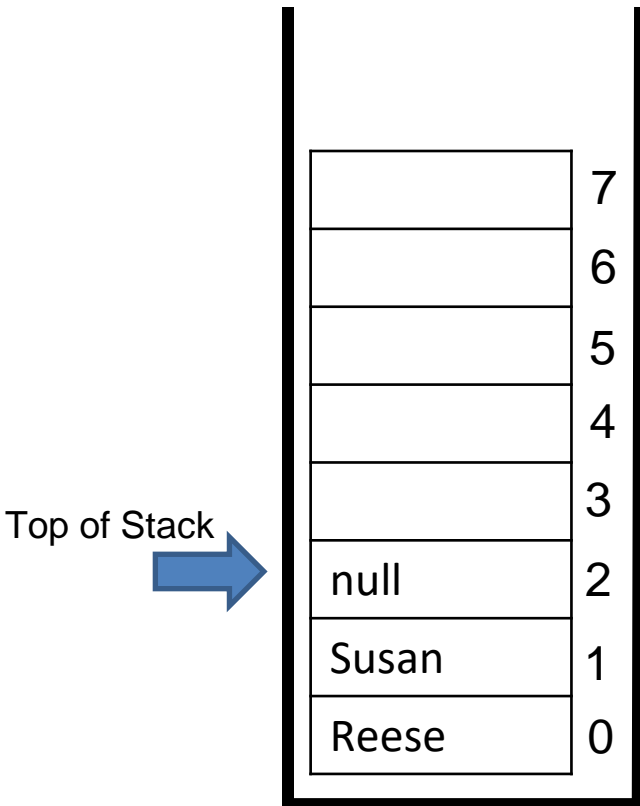
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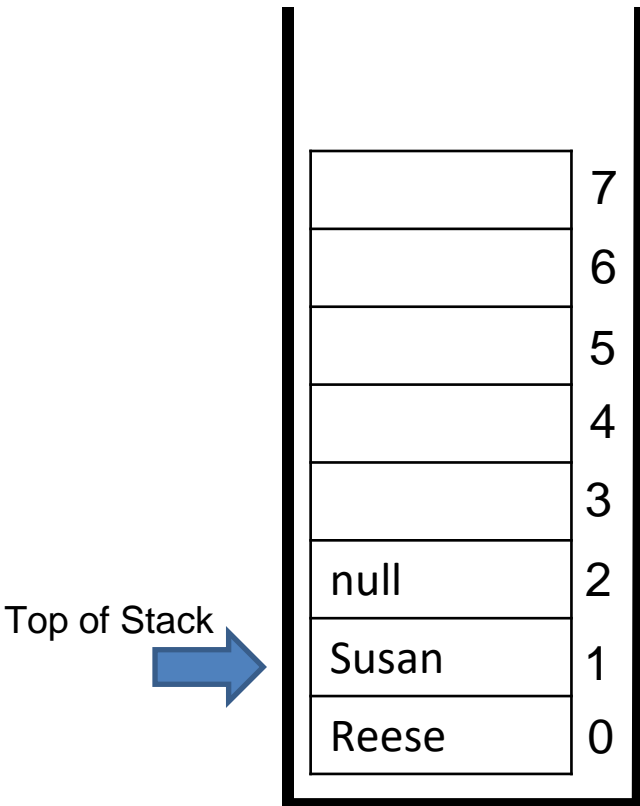
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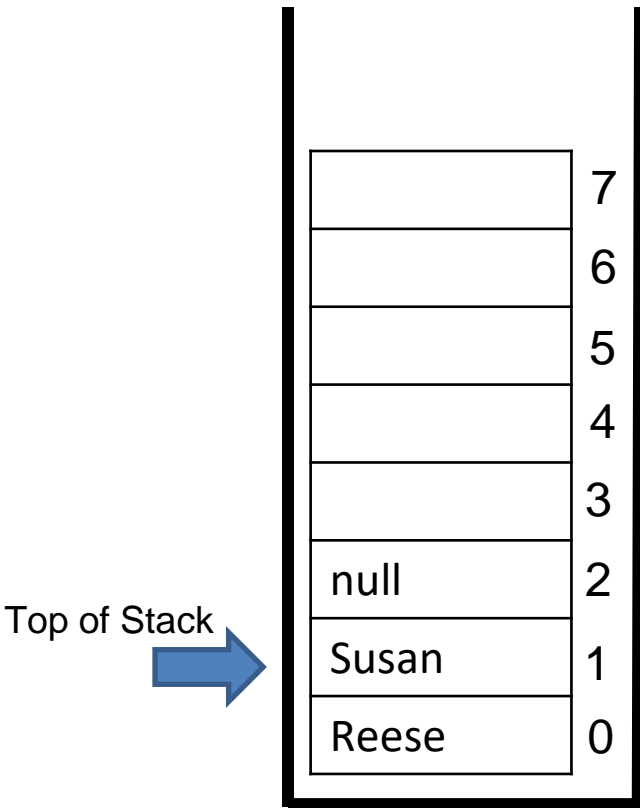
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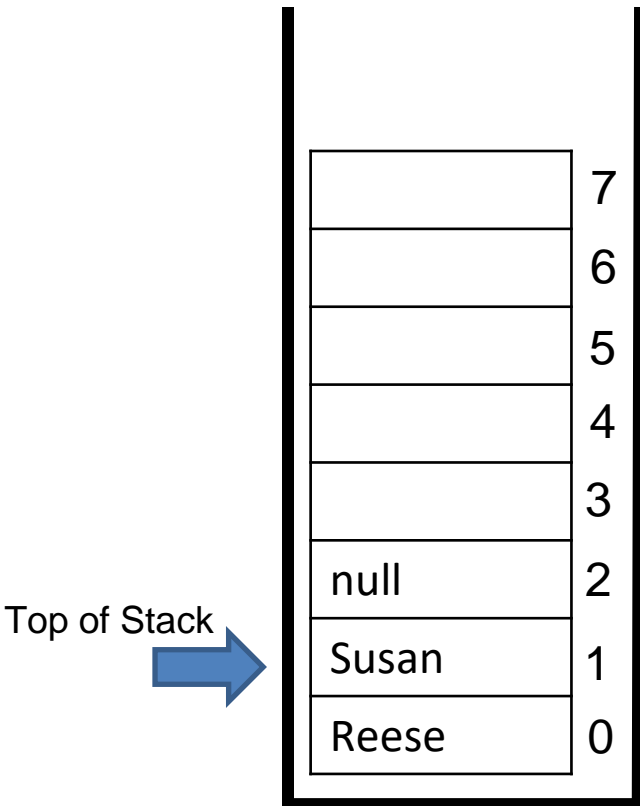
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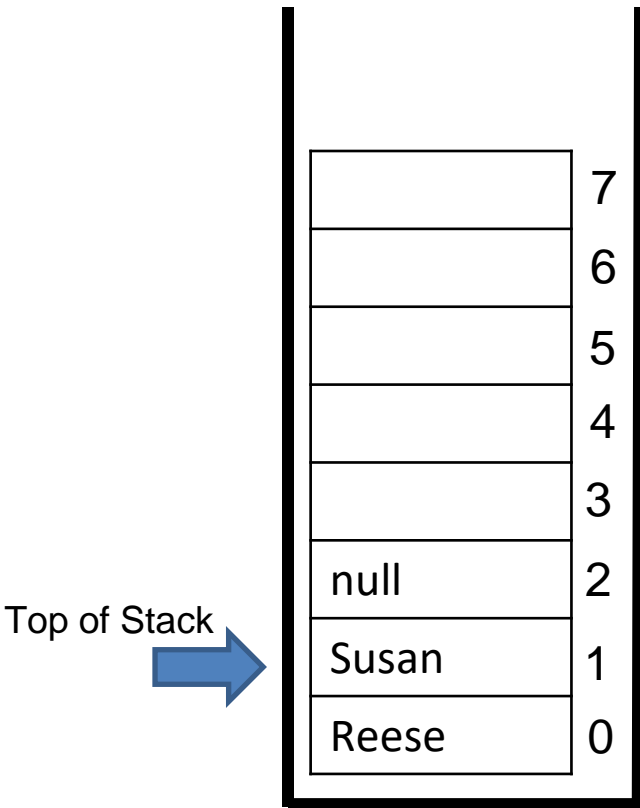
Note: This method does not return the element that was removed, however there may be times where the pop() method returns the element that got removed

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```
public String peek(){
```

```
}
```

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    size = 2
```

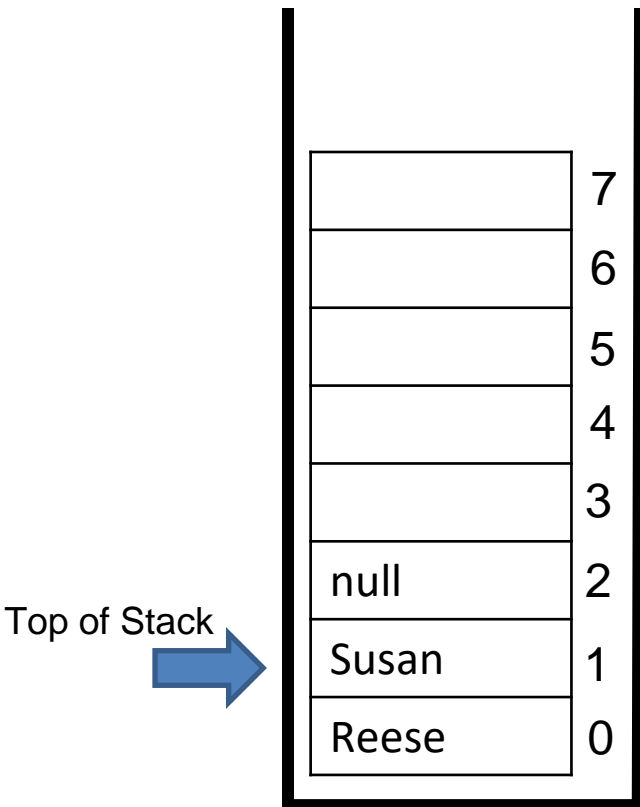
The `peek()` method returns the element that is currently on the top of the stack

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```
public String peek(){
```

```
    If stack is not empty:  
        return data[top_of_stack]
```

```
}
```

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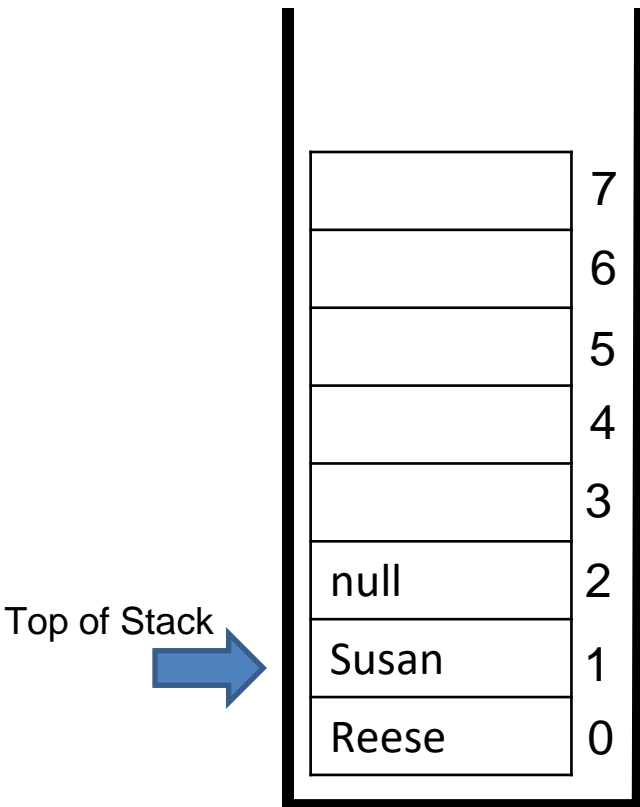


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public boolean isEmpty(){  
  
    if size == 0:  
        return true  
  
    else:  
        return false  
}
```

Stack Instance Fields

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```

The `isEmpty()` method returns a boolean: true if the stack is empty, false if the stack is not empty