## This week (Chapter 2):

- Abstract data types (Today)
- ► Data structures "discovery lab" (Thursday)
- ► Data Structures (Friday and next week Monday)
- Programming practices (also next week Monday)
- ► (Begin Case Studies next week Wednesday)

### Today:

- Definition abstract data type, especially in contrast with data structure
- The "canonical" ADTs
- Categories of data structures
- Introduction to conventions of our code base

An abstract data type (ADT) is a data type whose representation is hidden from the client. Implementing an ADT as a Java class is not very different from implementing a function library as a set of static methods. The primary difference is that we associate data with the function implementations and we hide the representation of the data from the client. When using an ADT, we focus on the operations specified in the API and pay no attention to the data representation; when implementing an ADT, we focus on the data, then implement operations on that data.

[Sedgewick and Wayne, Algorithms, Pg 64; also cf pg 84]

#### The "canonical ADTs":

List. Linear collection with sequential and random access.

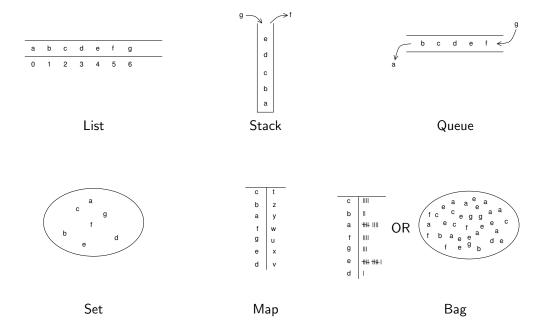
Stack. Linear collection with LIFO access.

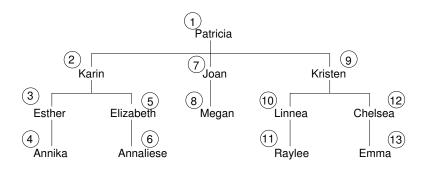
Queue. Linear collection with FIFO access.

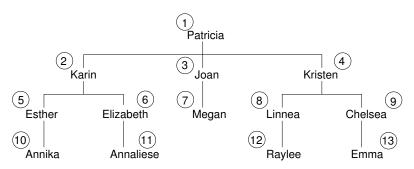
Set. Unordered collection with binary membership.

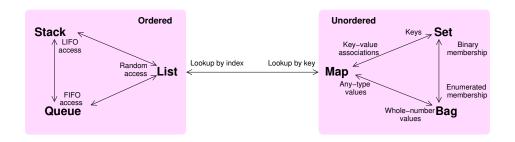
Bag. Unordered collection with enumerated membership.

Map. Unordered collection of associations between keys and values.









# The four basic ways to implement an ADT:

- Use an array
- Use a linked structure
- Use an "advanced" data structure, varying and/or hybridizing linked structures and arrays
- ▶ Adapt an existing implementation of another ADT.

## Coming up:

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Due Wed, Sept 11 (end of day):
Read Section 2.1
Do Exercise 1.11
Take quiz
Due Mon, Sept 16:
Read Section 2.(2, 4, & 5)
(No exercises)
Take data structures quiz
Also:
Do "Basic ADTs and data structures" project (Fri, Sept 20)
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