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Java: Collections, Exceptions

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Programming Language Concepts

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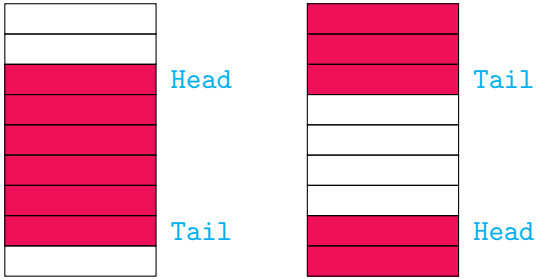

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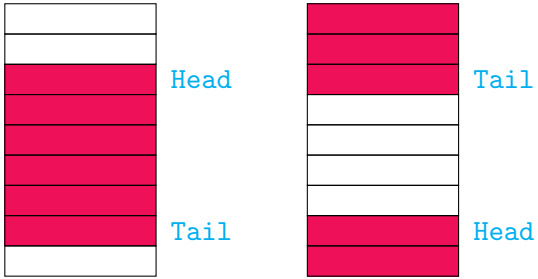

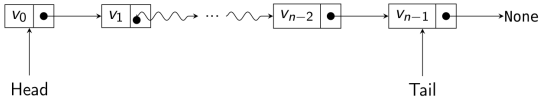

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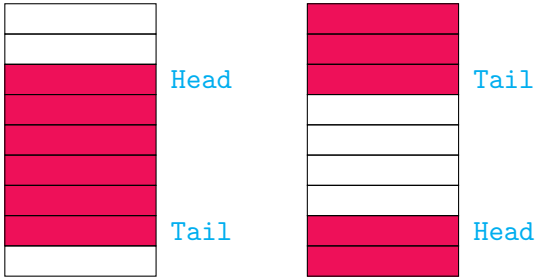

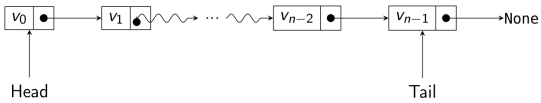

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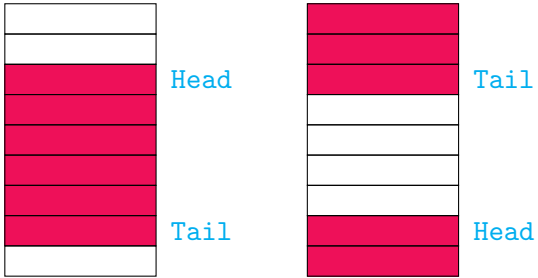

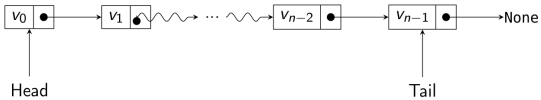

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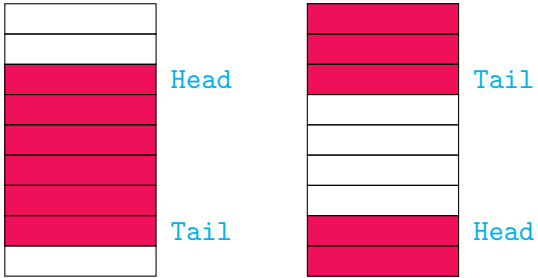

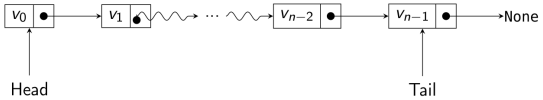

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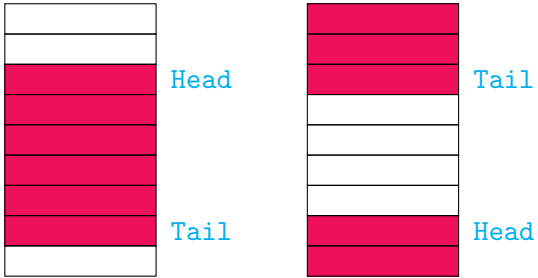

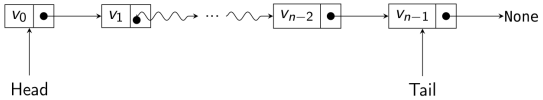

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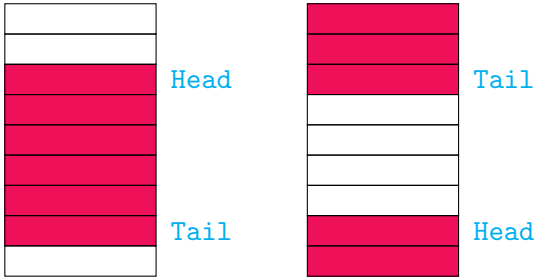

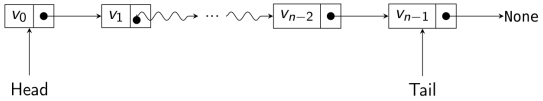

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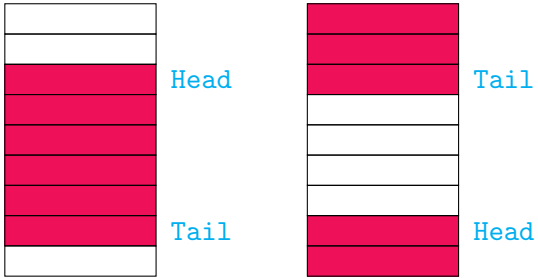

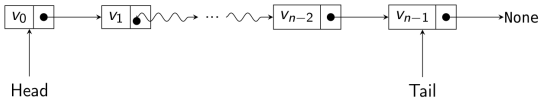

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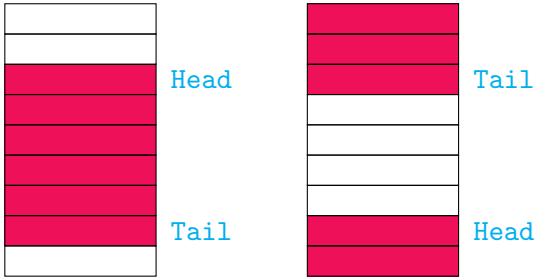

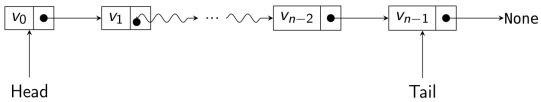

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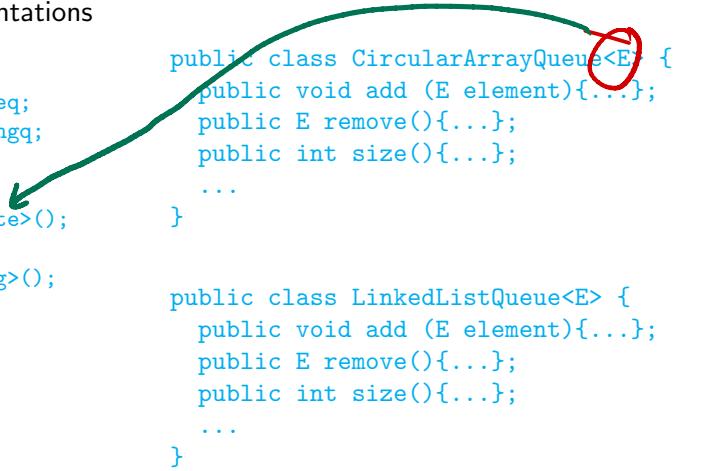

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"Fundamental theorem of software engineering"

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Butler Lampson, Turing Award 1992

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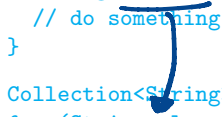

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  - `removeAll(c)` removes elements present in `c`
  - A different `remove()` from the one in `Iterator`

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The `Collection` interface — the full story

- How does this line work?

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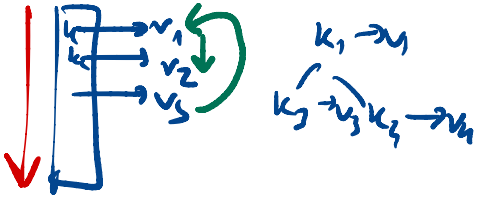

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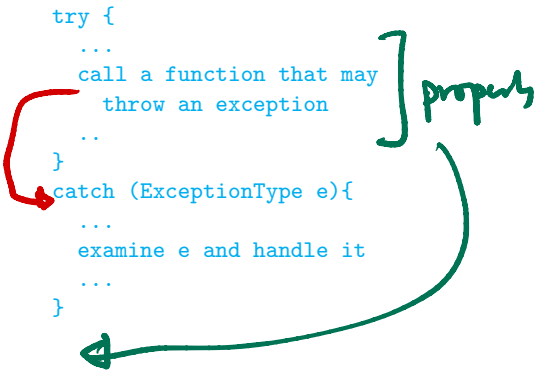

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  public NegativeException(String message, int i){
    super(message);  // Appeal to superclass
    error_value = i; // constructor to set message
  }

  public int report_error_value(){
    return error_value;
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   ...
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public class LinearList{
  ...
  public add(int i) throws NegativeException{
    ...
    if (i < 0){
      throw new NegativeException("Negative input",i);
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