# Elementary Data Structures and Hash Tables 

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## Outline

- Common concepts and notation
- Stacks

■ Queues
■ Linked lists

■ Trees

- Direct-access tables
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- $Q$ is an array of fixed length $Q$. length
- i.e., $Q$ holds at most $Q$. length elements
- enqueueing more than $Q$ elements causes an "overflow" error
- Q.head is the position of the "head" of the queue
- Q.tail is the first empty position at the tail of the queue

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- a doubly-linked list
- each element $x$ has two "links" $x$.prev and $x$. next to the previous and next elements, respectively
- each element $x$ holds a key $x$. key
- it is convenient to have a dummy "sentinel" element L.nil


## List-Init(L) <br> 1 L.nil.prev = L.nil <br> 2 L.nil.next = L.nil

| List-INSERT $(L, x)$ |  |
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List-Search $(L, k)$
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## Open-Address Hash Table



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|  | $j=h(k)$ |
| 2 | for $i=1$ to $T$. length |
| 3 | if $T[j]=$ NIL |
| 4 | $T[j]=k$ |
| 5 | return $j$ |
| 6 | elseif $j<T$.length |
| 7 | $j=j+1$ |
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- can you figure out why?

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- Notice that $h(k, \cdot)$ must be a permutation
- i.e., $h(k, 1), h(k, 2), \ldots, h(k,|T|)$ must cover the entire table $T$

