## **Data Structures**

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### Queue (link based)



- Describe the structure of a queue and its operations at a logical level
- Demonstrate the effect of queue operations using a particular implementation of a queue
- Implement the Queue ADT, using both a an array-based implementation and a linked implementation
- Discuss Big O runtimes of operations for array-based and linked implementations.



#### **Queue Linked Implementation**

- Keep pointers to the front and rear elements.
- Use a node struct to hold the data and a pointer to the next element.

## **Queue (Linked) - Implementation**

Here is the interface for the Queue ADT:

```
public interface Queue {
   boolean isEmpty();
   boolean isFull();
   void enqueue(int item) throws Exception;
   int dequeue() throws Exception;
```

void makeEmpty();

The public interface of a queue should be the same for both the array-based and linked implementations



- The linked stack data structure requires that we keep more information at EACH place inside of it.
- Each item in the queue will be a "Node" (not just the data).
- A node stores the data and a reference to the next node
- It should be defined as an inner class within the QueueLinked class.

#### class **Node** {

Declare int data Declare Node next Data for this node (change data type as necessary to store other types of data)

Points to next node in list



## Link-based <u>private</u> members

class QueueLinked implements Queue {

Declare Node front Declare Node rear

}

// Public members go here...



# q.enqueue(11) q.enqueue(14) q.enqueue(32)

Assume the queue has 3 elements on to it



## Where would a new element go? q.enqueue(77)



You **MUST** put the new item at the end of the queue.

Enqueue Pseudocode

1. Create a new NodeType item (dynamically allocate).

- 2. Set the fields on the new NodeType item. This means setting the data item and the next pointer. The next pointer should be set to the current top.
- Set the current last element to point to the new node.
   (slightly different if queue is empty)
- 4. Set the rear to the new element.

## Queue (Linked) - Enqueue



2. Set the fields on the new Node item. This means setting the data item and the next pointer. The next pointer should be set to null because this new node will become the last element in the queue.



Set the current last element to point to the new node.
 (slightly different if queue is empty)



#### 4. Set the rear to the new element.



# When the enqueue method ends the temp pointer will disappear.



# This picture is <u>LOGICALLY EQUIVALENT</u> to the previous slide!!!





#### Dequeue Pseudocode

- 1. Get a temp pointer to the front node.
- 2. Set the data on the item that will be sent back.
- 3. Set the front pointer to the second node in the queue.
- 4. If the queue is now empty set the rear pointer to nullptr.
- 5. Release memory for the original first node in the queue.

## Queue (Linked) - Dequeue

#### 1. Get a temp pointer to the front node.



#### 2. Set the data on the item that will be sent back.



# 3. Set the front pointer to the second node in the queue.



If the queue is now empty set the rear pointer to nullptr.
 THE QUEUE IS NOT EMPTY SO NOTHING CHANGES ON THIS STEP.



# 5. Release memory for the original first node in the queue.



# The temp pointer will disappear when the Dequeue method ends.



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Deletes <u>ALL</u> of the elements in the queue.

Make front and rear null.

All nodes in the queue are now unreferenced so they will become candidates for garbage collection



isFull() returns boolean Declare Node location try Set location to new Node instance

Set location to null

return false

catch OutOfMemoryError exception return true Same as Linked version of Unsorted List

> Check to see if you can allocate memory.

> If you can then queue is not full so return false.

If you cannot allocate memory, then queue is full.



Last element points to first element.

Only stores one pointer – rear

For example...



# A circular linked queue uses only one external pointer: rear



How do you access front?

## **Circular Queue**

# A circular linked queue uses only one external pointer: rear



How do you access front? Answer: Front is the next element after rear.



 What are the Big-O runtimes for the array-based and linked implementations of a queue?



Operation	Cost
makeEmpty	O(1)
isFull	O(1)
isEmpty	O(1)
enqueue	O(1)
dequeue	O(1)
Constructor	O(1)

## Big-O Comparison – Queue(Linked)



