



Lists, Stacks and Queues

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List



What is List

- A list is a **finite, ordered sequence** of data items called elements.
 - Notation: $\langle a_0, a_1, \dots, a_{n-1} \rangle$
 - Each element has a **position** in the list.
 - Each element may be of arbitrary type, but all are of the same type
 - The length of a list is the number of elements currently stored
 - An **empty list** contains no elements
 - The beginning and the end of the list are, respectively, called the **head** and the **tail**
 - Common List operations are:
 - insert, append, delete/remove, find, isEmpty, prev, next, currPos, moveToPos, moveToStart, length, etc

List ADT

```
// List ADT
template <typename E> class List {
public:
    List() {}
    virtual ~List() {}
    virtual bool insert(const E& item) = 0;
    virtual bool append(const E& item) = 0;
    virtual bool remove(E&) = 0;
    virtual void clear() = 0;
    virtual void moveToStart() = 0;
    virtual void moveToEnd() = 0;
    virtual void prev() = 0;
    virtual void next() = 0;
    virtual int currPos() const = 0;
    virtual void moveToPos(int pos) = 0;
    .....
}
```

List Implementation

- Two standard list implementations
 - Array-based lists
 - Pointer-based lists (Linked lists)

List: Array Implementation

- Basic Idea:

- Pre-allocate a big array of size **MAX_SIZE**
- Keep track of current size using a variable **count**
- Keep track of current position using a variable **curr_position**
- **Shift elements** when you have to **insert** or **remove**

0	1	2	3	...	count-1		MAX_SIZE
A ₁	A ₂	A ₃	A ₄	...	A _N		

List: Array Implementation

insert Z in kth position



0	1	2	3	4	5			MAX_SIZE
A	B	C	D	E	F			



0	1	2	3	4	5	6		MAX_SIZE
A	B	Z	C	D	E	F		

Running time for N elements?

On average, must move half the elements to make room
– assuming insertions at positions are equally likely

Worst case is insert at position 0. Must move all N items
one position before the insert

This is $O(N)$ running time.

$\Theta(1)$ for best case

Quickly?

List: Array Implementation

- **insert** the element at position curr
 - Shift left $n-i-1$ elements toward the tail

// insert element at the current position

```
void insert(const E& it) {  
    Assert(listSize<maxSize, "Exceed capacity");  
    //shift Elements up  
    for(int i=listSize; i>curr; i--)  
        listArray[i] = listArray[i-1];  
    listArray[curr] = it; // insert the element  
    listSize++; // increment list size  
}
```

List: Array Implementation

- **remove** the element at position curr
 - Shift left n-i-1 elements toward the head

// Remove and return the current element

```
E remove() {  
    Assert((curr>=0)&&(curr<listSize), "no element");  
    E it = listArray[curr]; // Copy the element  
    for(int i=curr; i<listSize-1; i++)  
        // Shift them down  
        listArray[i] = listArray[i+1];  
    listSize--; // Decrement size  
    return it;  
}
```

Time cost – $\Theta(1)$ for best case;
 $\Theta(n)$ for worst- and average cases

List: Array Implementation

• Other operations

-

```
bool moveToPos(int pos) {  
    Assert((pos >= 0) && (pos < listSize), "out of range");  
    curr = pos;  
}
```

```
void moveToStart() { curr = 0; } //reset position  
void moveToEnd() { curr = listSize; } //set at end
```

```
void prev() { if(curr != 0) curr--; }  
void next() { if(curr < listSize) curr++; }
```

```
int Length() const { return listSize; }  
int currPos() const { return curr; }
```

Time cost – $\Theta(1)$ for best, worst- and average cases

List: Array Implementation

- Search for a value K in the list

```
//Return true if K is in list, otherwise,false
bool find(List<int>& L, int K) {
    int it;
    for(L.moveToStart(); L.currPos()<L.Length(); L.next())
    {
        it = getValue(); //return value of curr element
        if (K == it) return true; // Found it
    }
    return false; // Not found
}
```

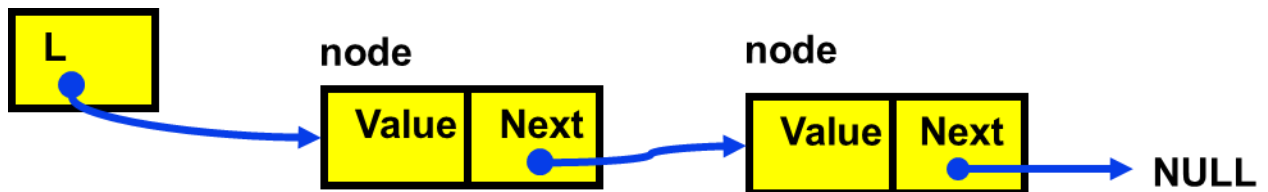
Time cost – $\Theta(n)$ for worst- and average cases

List: Array Implementation

- C++ STL – Vector
 - A growable array implementation of the List ADT
 - How to provide a grow-able array implementation of the List ADT
- Textbook section 3.3 vector & Code vector.h and TestVector.cpp

List: Pointer Implementation

- Linked list
 - Use dynamic memory allocation which allocates memory for new list elements as needed
 - Elements are called nodes, which are linked using pointers.
 - Keep track of list by linking the nodes together
 - Change links when you want to insert or delete



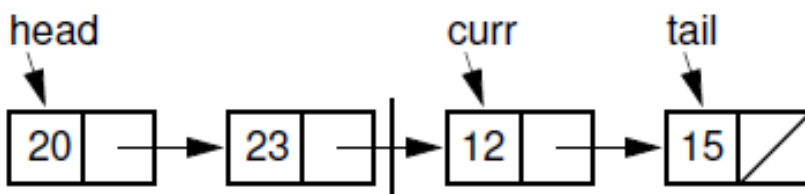
List: Pointer Implementation

// An implementation of a simple
// singly-linked list **node**

```
template <typename E> class Link {  
    public:  
    E element; //value for this node  
    Link *next; //Pointer to next node in list  
    //Constructors  
    Link(const E& elemval, Link* nextval =NULL)  
    { element = elemval; next = nextval; }  
    Link(Link* nextval =NULL)  
    { next = nextval; }  
};
```

List: Pointer Implementation

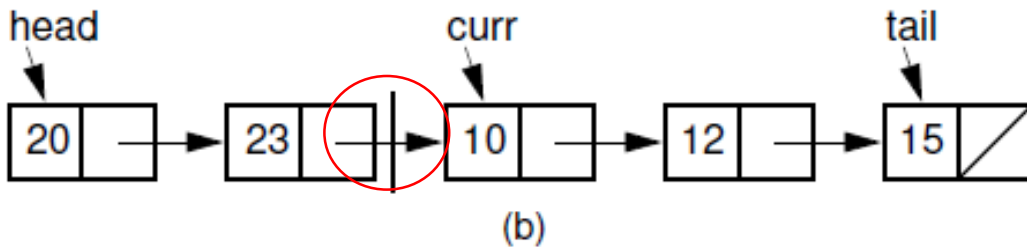
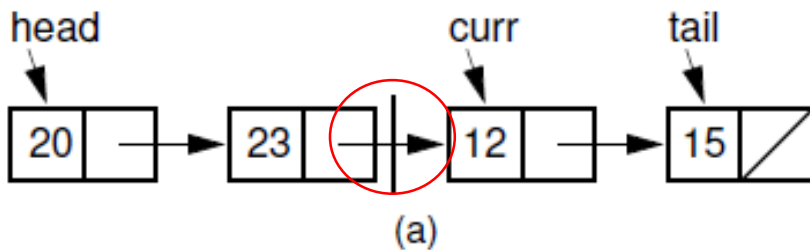
- A linked list with 4 elements
 - Head pointer – for scanning the whole list
 - Tail pointer – to speed up “append” operation
 - Curr pointer – pointing to the current element
 - Value **cnt** – store the length of the list



List: Pointer Implementation

- Insertion

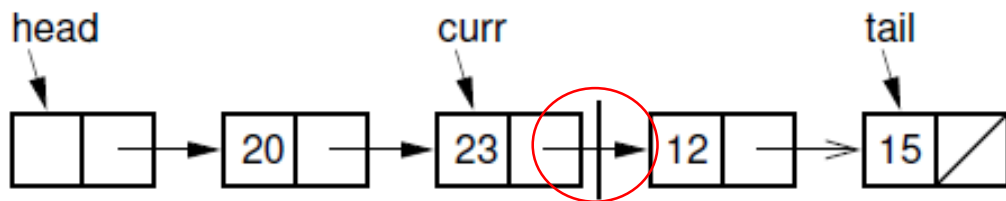
- With *curr* points to the node after the current position



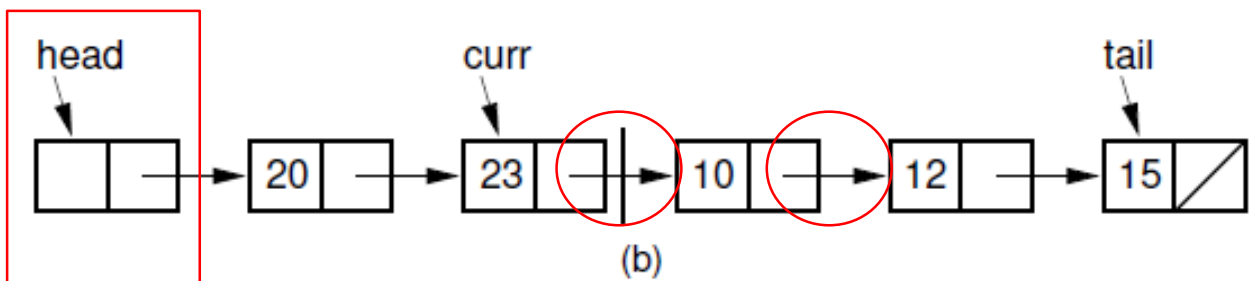
List: Pointer Implementation

- Insertion

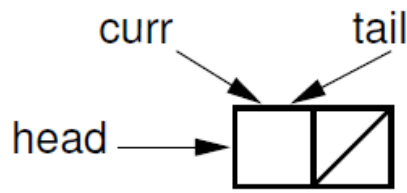
- With *curr* points to the node preceding the current position



(a)



(b)



List: Pointer Implementation

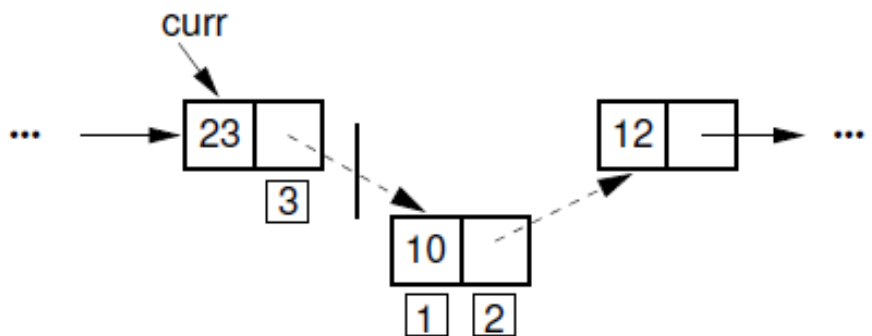
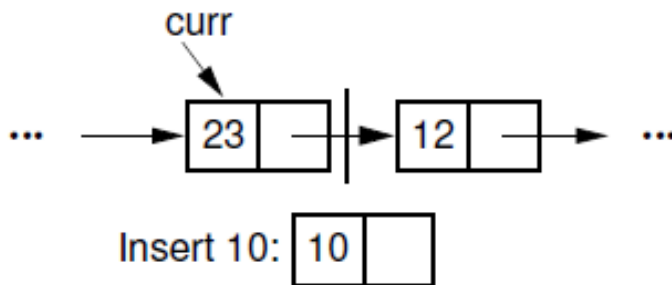
```
//Class LList
//inherit the abstract class List
template <typename E> class LList: public List<E>{
private:
    Link<E>* head; //Pointer to list header
    Link<E>* tail; //Pointer to last element
    Link<E>* curr; //access to current element
    int cnt;      //Size of list
    void init() //used by constructor
    {   curr = tail = head = new Link<E>; cnt =0;}
    void removeall() //used by destructor
    {   while(head != NULL) {
            curr=head; head=head->next; delete curr;
        }
    }
}
```

List: Pointer Implementation

•Linked List – Insertion

•Three-step insertion process

- Create a new list node, store the new element
- Set the next field of the new node
- set the next field of the node pointed by curr



List: Pointer Implementation

//Insert a node to current position

public:

```
void insert(const E& it) {  
    curr->next = new Link<E>(it, curr->next);  
    if (tail == curr) tail = curr->next; //new tail  
    cnt++;  
}
```

//Append a node at the tail of the list

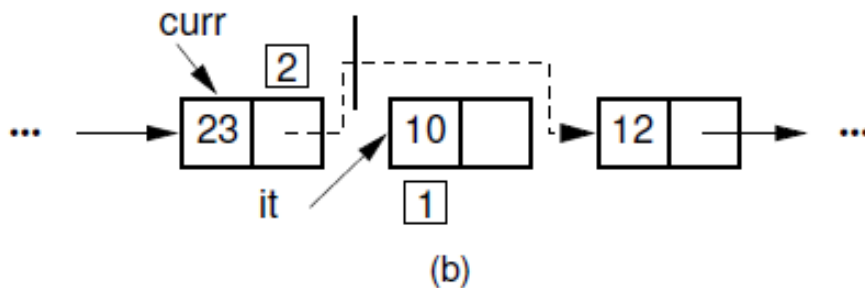
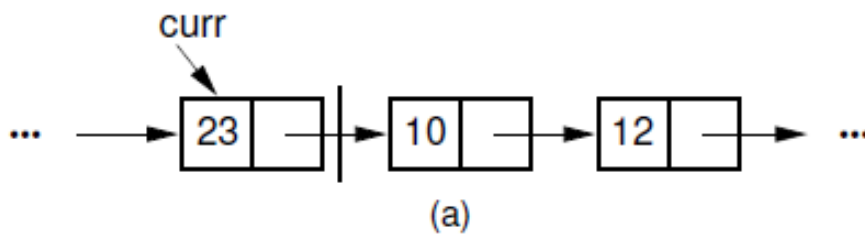
```
void append(const E& it) {  
    tail = tail->next = new Link<E>(it, NULL);  
    cnt++;  
}
```

Time cost – $\Theta(1)$

List: Pointer Implementation

- Linked List – Removal

- Removing a node only requires to redirect some pointers around the node to be deleted.
- Remember to reclaim the space occupied by the deleted node



List: Pointer Implementation

// Remove and return current element

```
E remove() {  
    E it = curr->next->element;  
    Link<E> *ltemp = curr->next;  
    if (tail == curr->next)  
        tail = curr; // Reset tail  
    curr->next = curr->next->next; //remove element  
    delete ltemp; //reclaim space  
    cnt--; //decrement the list size  
    return it;  
}
```

Time cost – $\Theta(1)$

List: Pointer Implementation

- Linked List – Position Ops

//Next – move curr one pos toward the tail

```
void next() { // no change if already at end
    if (curr != tail) { curr = curr->next; }
}
```

//Prev – move curr one pos toward the head

```
void prev() {
    if (curr == head) return; // No previous element
    Link<E>* temp = head;
    //march down list until the previous element
    while (temp->next!=curr) temp=temp->next;
    curr = temp;
}
```

Time cost: $\Theta(1)$ for next;

$\Theta(n)$ for prev in the average and worst cases.

List: Pointer Implementation

- C++ STL – List
 - a doubly linked list implementation of the List ADT
 - How to implement the list ADT with pointers where Pre method takes $\Theta(1)$ time?
- Textbook section 3.3 list & Code list.h and TestList.cpp

Comparison of List Implementations

Array-Based List		Linked List	
Predetermine the size before allocation.		Space is allocated on demand; No limit to the element number.	✓
No waste space for an individual element.	✓	Require to add an extra pointer to every list node.	
Random access and Prev takes $\Theta(1)$ time	✓	Random access and Prev takes $\Theta(n)$ time	
Insertion and deletion takes $\Theta(n)$ time.		Insertion and deletion takes $\Theta(1)$ time.	✓

Comparison of List Implementations

- **linked lists** are more space efficient when implementing lists whose number of elements varies widely or is unknown.
- **Array-based lists** are generally more space efficient when the user knows in advance approximately how large the list will become.

Comparison of List Implementations

- Comparison formula
 - The number of element currently in the list – n ;
 - The size of a pointer – P
 - The size of a data element – E
 - The maximum number of elements in the array – D
- The array-based list requires space DE
- The linked list requires space $n(P+E)$

When $n > DE/(P+E)$, the array-based list is more space efficient!

Exercise

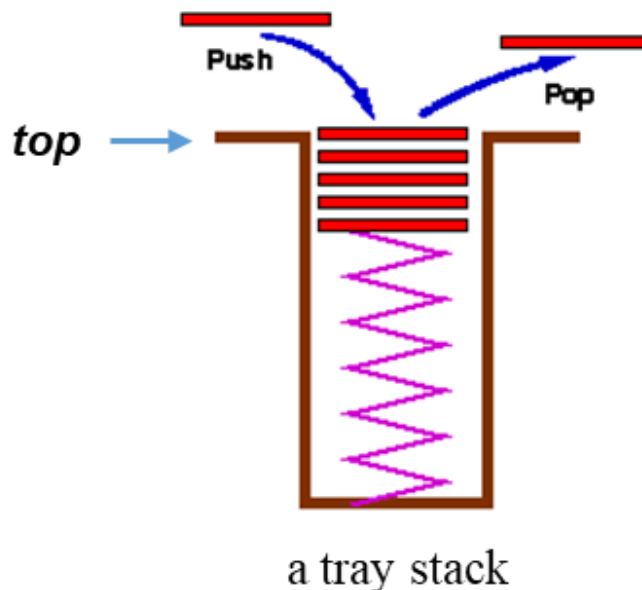
- Determine the break-even point for a linked list being more efficient than an array-based list
 - The data field is 2 bytes, a pointer is 4 bytes, the array has 30 elements
 - $n < DE/(P+E) = 2*30/(2+4) = 10$
 - The data field is 8 bytes, a pointer is 4 bytes, the array has 30 elements
 - $n < DE/(P+E) = 8*30/(8+4) = 20$
 - The data field is 32 bytes, a pointer is 4 bytes, the array has 40 elements
 - $n < DE/(P+E) = 32*40/(32+4) = 35.555$

Stack



What is Stack

- A list for which Insert and Delete are allowed only at one end of the list (the top)
 - the implementation defines which end is the "top"
 - LIFO – Last in, First out
- **Push**: Insert element at top
- **Pop**: Remove and return top element (aka TopAndPop)
- **IsEmpty**: test for emptiness



Two Basic Implementations of Stacks

- Linked List

- Array-based

- The k items in the stack are the first k items in the array.

Stack ADT

// The stack ADT

```
template <typename E> class Stack {  
private:  
    void operator=(const Stack&) { } //Protect assignment  
    Stack(const Stack&) { } //Protect copy assignment  
  
public:  
    // Push an element onto the top of the stack.  
    virtual bool push(const E& it) = 0;  
  
    // Remove the element at the top of the stack.  
    virtual E pop() = 0;  
  
    // Return a copy of the top element  
    virtual const E& topValue() const = 0;  
};
```

Array-Based Stacks

- Array-based stack implementation
 - The stack must be declared **of fixed size**
 - A simplified version of the array-based list

```
Template <typename E> class Astack: public Stack<E> {  
private:
```

```
    int maxSize;    // Maximum size of stack  
    int top;        // Index for top element (free position)  
    E *listArray;   // Array holding stack elements
```

```
public:
```

```
    AStack(int size=defaultSize) //Constructor  
    { maxSize=size; top=0; listArray=new E[size]; }  
    ~Astack() { delete [] listArray; } //Destructor
```

Which end of the array shall be the top of the stack?

Array-Based Stacks (III)

- Make the tail of the array be the top of the stack
 - Pushing an element onto the stack by appending it to the tail of the list
 - The cost for each **push** and **pop** operation is simply $\Theta(1)$.
- Setting of **top**
 - The array index of the first free position in the stack
 - An empty stack has top set to 0.
 - Push: first **insert** the element, then **increment** top
 - Pop: first **decrement** top, then **removes** the top element;
 - Pay attention to the order of two operations

Array-Based Stacks (II)

```
void clear() { top=0; }    //Reinitialize
```

```
void push(const E& it) { // put “it” on stack  
    Assert(top != maxSize, “Stack is full”);  
    listArray[top++] = it; }
```

```
E pop() { //pop top element  
    Assert(top != 0, “Stack is empty”);  
    return listArray[--top]; }
```

```
const E& topValue() const { //return top element  
    Assert(top != 0, “Stack is empty”);  
    return listArray[top-1]; }
```

Linked Stacks

- Elements are inserted and removed only from the head of the list

//A linked stack

```
template <typename E> class LStack: public
Stack<E> {
private:
    Link<E>* top;    //pointer to first element
    int size;        //number of elements
public:
    LStack(int sz = defaultSize){    //Constructor
        top = NULL; size = 0;
    }
    ~LStack() { clear(); }           //Destructor
```

Linked Stacks (II)

```
void clear() { //reinitialize
    while (top != NULL) { //delete link nodes
        Link<E>* temp = top; top = top->next; delete temp;
    }
    size = 0;
}
```

```
void push(const E& it) { //put "it" on the stack
    top = new Link<E>(it, top); size++;
}
```

```
E pop() { //remove "it" from stack
    Assert(top != NULL, "Stack is empty");
    E it = top->element;
    Link<E>* ltemp = top->next;
    delete top; top = ltemp; size--; return it;
}
```

```
const E& topValue() const { //return top value
    Assert(top != 0, "Stack is empty");
    return top->element;
}
```

Linked Stacks (III)

- No need to have a **head node**
 - No special code is required for lists of zero or one elements.
- A pointer **top** points to the first link node
 - Push: first modifies the **next** field of the newly created node to point to the top of the stack, then sets **top** to point to the new node
 - Pop: set **top** to point to the **next** link of the old top node; the old top node is **freed** and its element value is returned.

Comparison of Array-Based and Linked Stacks

	Array-Based Stack	Linked Stack
Implementation	Take the end of array as the top of stack	Take the head of linked list as the top of stack
Time cost	Constant time for push, pop, topValue; Constant time for clear	Constant time for push, pop and topValue; Linear time for clear
Space cost	Waste some space when the stack is not full - Overflow possible	Require the overhead of a link field for every element

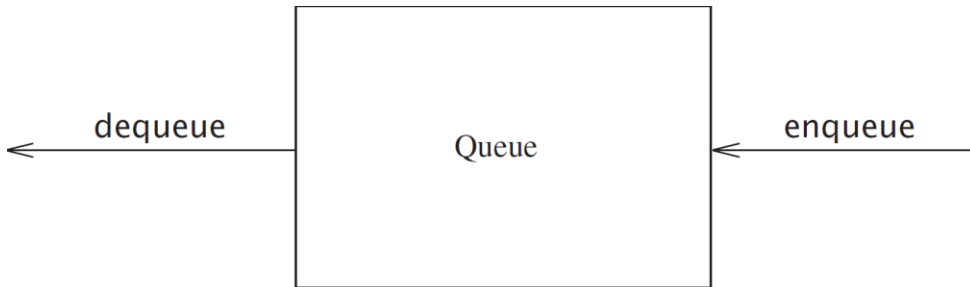
Q: How to implement two stacks using a single array?

Queue



What is Queue

- In a queue, elements may only be inserted from one end (**back**) of the list and removed from the other end (**front**) of the list
 - First-In, First-Out
 - **Enqueue**: insert an element at the back
 - **Dequeue**: remove an element from the front



Queue ADT

```
template <typename E> class Queue {  
private:  
    void operator =(const Queue&) {}  
    Queue(const Queue&) {};  
public:  
    Queue() {}  
    virtual ~Queue() {}  
  
    virtual void clear() = 0;  
    virtual void enqueue(const E&) = 0;  
    virtual E dequeue() = 0;  
    virtual const E& frontValue() const = 0;  
    virtual int length() const = 0;  
}
```

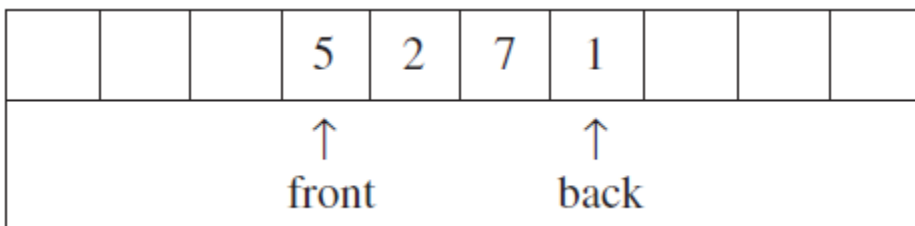
Two Implementations of Queue

- The array-based queue
- The linked queue

Queue: Array Implementation

//Array Implementation for Queue

```
template <typename E> class AQueue: public Queue<E> {  
private:  
    int maxSize; // Maximum size of queue  
    int front; // Index of front element  
    int rear; // Index of back element  
    E *listArray; // Array holding queue elements  
    int currSize; //length of queue  
    ...  
};
```



Array-Based Queues

- Suppose we store n elements in the first n positions of the array
 - If we choose position $n-1$ in the array as the front of the queue
 - **Dequeue** requires only $\Theta(1)$ time, but **enqueue** costs $\Theta(n)$ time
 - If we choose position 0 in the array as the front of the queue
 - **Dequeue** costs $\Theta(n)$ time, while **enqueue** costs $\Theta(1)$ time

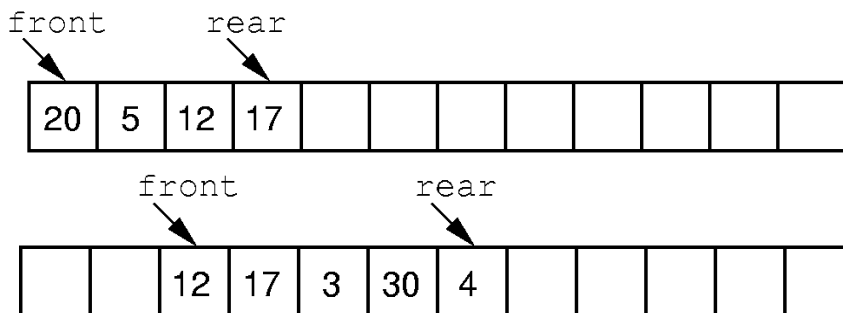
Array-Based Queues

- An efficient and tricky implementation
 - The queue is still required to be stored in contiguous array positions
 - The queue position can **drift within the array**

Array-Based Queues

- Drifting queue

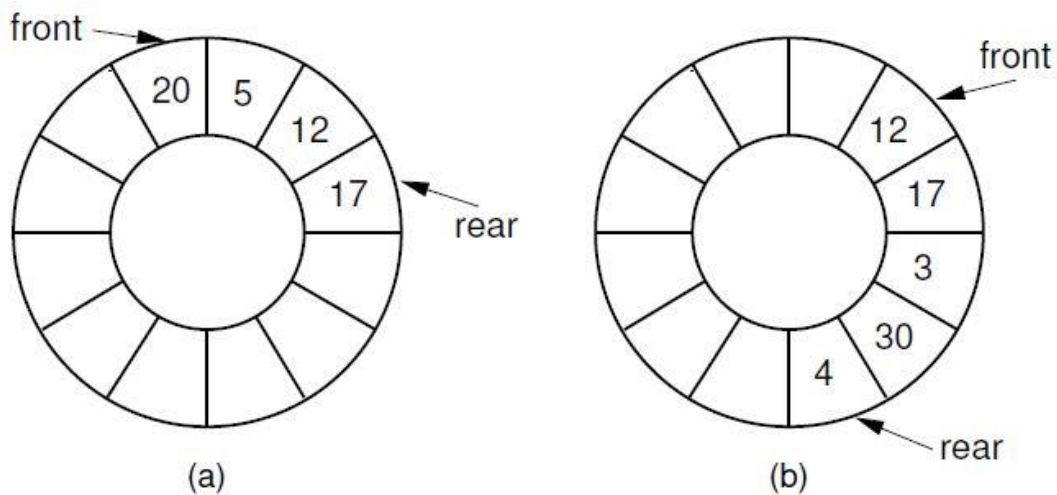
- The **front** of the queue is initially at **position 0** of the array
- The elements are added to successively higher-numbered positions
- When elements are removed, the front index increases
- **Both** enqueue and dequeue cost **$\Theta(1)$** time



Problem?

Array-Based Queues

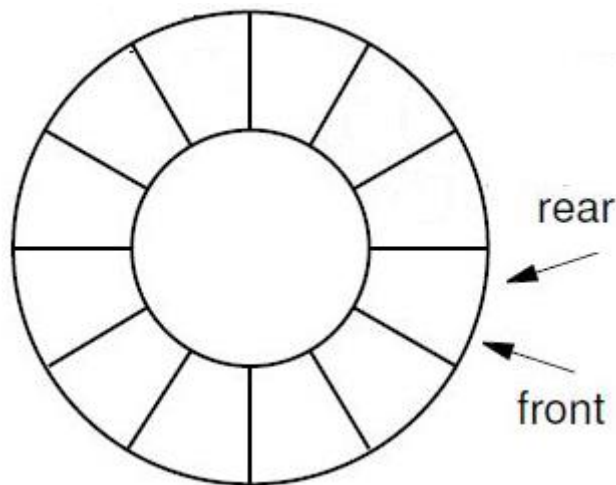
- Circular queue



- Easily implemented using the **modulus operator**
 - Position $\text{maxSize}-1$ immediately precede position 0

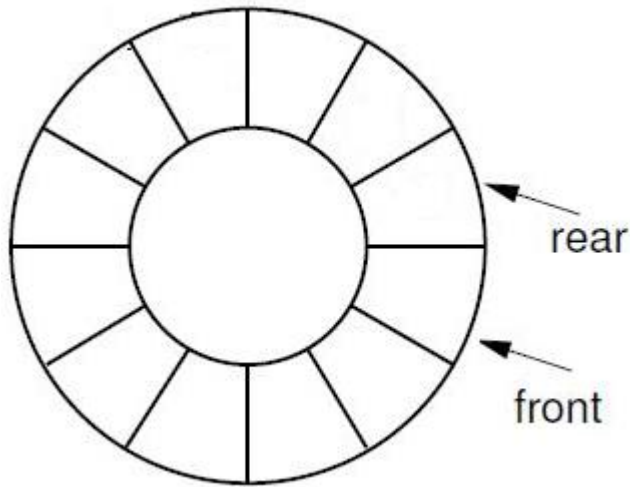
Array-Based Queues

- Circular queue
 - How to recognize whether the queue is empty or full?



Array-Based Queues

- Circular queue
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Array-Based Queues

- When **front** = **rear**, there has one element in the queue
- When **front** is one larger than **rear**, the queue is empty or full?
 - Solution 1: explicitly keep a count of the number of elements in the queue
 - Solution 2: make the array be of size $n+1$ and only allow n elements to be stored.
 - **front** = **rear**+1, the queue is empty
 - **front** = **rear**+2, the queue is full.

Array-Based Queues

//Array-based Implementation (solution 2)

```
template <typename E> class AQueue: public Queue<E> {
private:
    int maxSize; // Maximum size of queue
    int front; // Index of front element
    int rear; // Index of rear element
    E *listArray; //Array holding queue elements
public:
    AQueue(int size =defaultSize) {
        // Constructor- Make list array one position
        // larger for empty slot
        maxSize = size+1;
        rear = 0; front = 1;
        listArray = new E[maxSize];
    }
    ~AQueue() { delete [] listArray; }
```

Array-Based Queues

//reinitialize

```
void clear() {rear = 0; front = 1;}  
void enqueue(const E& it) { //put “it” in queue  
    Assert(((rear+2) % maxSize) != front,  
           “Queue is full”);  
    rear = (rear+1)%maxSize;  
    listArray[rear] = it;  
}  
E dequeue() { //take element out  
    Assert(length() != 0, “Queue is empty”);  
    E it = listArray[front];  
    front =(front+1)%maxSize;  
    return it;  
}
```

Array-Based Queues

//get front value

```
const E& frontValue() const {  
    Assert(length()!=0, "Queue is empty");  
    return listArray[front];  
}
```

//return length

```
virtual int length() const {  
    return ((rear+maxSize)-front+1)%maxSize;  
}
```

Linked Queues

- A straightforward adaptation of the linked list
- Structures
 - Use a header node
 - The **front** pointer points always points to the header node
 - The **rear** pointer points to the last link node in the queue
- Operations
 - **Enqueue**: places the new element in a link node at the end of the linked list, advances **rear** to point to the newly-inserted node
 - **Dequeue**: removes and returns the first element of the list

Comparison of Array-Based and Linked Queues

- Time cost
 - All member functions for both implementations require constant time $\Theta(1)$
- Space cost
 - For array-based queues, there are some space waste if the queue is not full.
 - For linked queues, there are overhead of link field in each element.

Homework

- Exercise 3.28, 3.30, and
- Show how to implement **two** stacks in one array
- Deadline: to be confirmed.