Queues

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- A stack is LIFO (Last-In First Out) structure.
- In contrast, a queue is a FIFO (First-In First-Out) structure.
- A queue is a linear structure for which items can be only inserted at one end and removed at another end.

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- A real world example of queue can be a single-lane one-way road, where the vehicle enters first, exits first.
- More real-world example can be seen as queues at ticket windows & busstops.

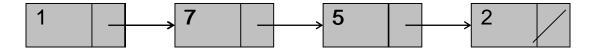
Terminologies

- Front front/first element
- Rear last element
- Enqueue Insert an element at rear
- Dequeue Delete an element from front

Queue Operations

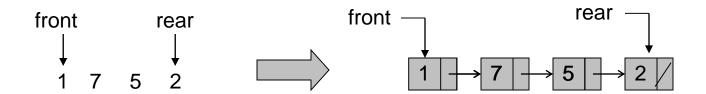
- Enqueue(X) place X at the *rear* of the queue.
- Dequeue() -- remove the *front* element and return it.
- Front() -- return front element without removing it.
- IsEmpty() -- return TRUE if queue is empty, FALSE otherwise

Using linked List:

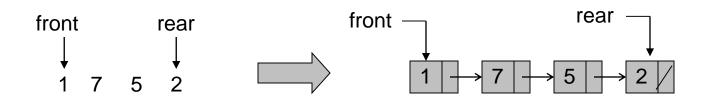


- Insert works in constant time for either end of a linked list.
- Remove works in constant time only.
- Seems best that head of the linked list be the front of the queue so that all removes will be from the front.
- Inserts will be at the end of the list.

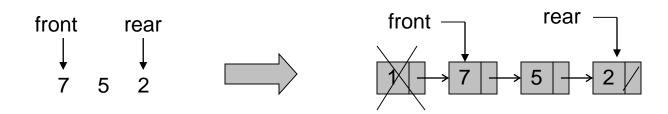
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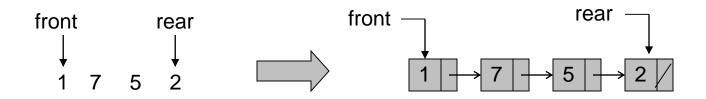


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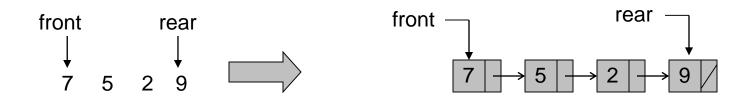


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Using linked List:



enqueue(9)



Implementing Queue (using linklist)

- You need at least four files to implement queue:
 - 1. Node.h (int object, Node* next)
 - 2. Queue.h
 - 3. Queue.cpp
 - 4. Main.cpp

Queue.h

```
class Queue
       Node * front; // headnode/firstnode
       Node * rear; //lastnode
public:
       Queue(); //constructor
       void enqueuer(int x);
       int dequeue();
       int front();
       int isEmpty();
       ~Queue();
};
```

Queue.cpp (enqueue(1))

```
Void Queue::enqueue(int x) {
 Node* newNode = new Node(); //line 1
                  //line 2
 newNode->set(x);
 newNode->setNext(nullptr); //line 3
                    //line 4
  if(front==nullptr){
         front=rear=newnode; //line 5
 else{
         rear->setNext(newNode); //line 6
                               //line 7
         rear = newNode;
   }
```

Queue.cpp (enqueue(7))

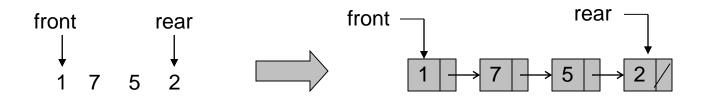
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                  rear
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Queue.cpp

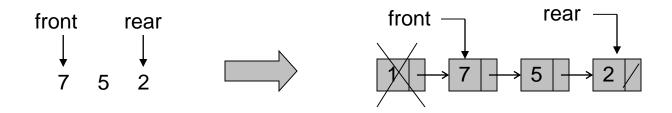
```
int Queue::dequeue()
{
   int x = front->get();
   Node* p = front;
   front = front->getNext();
   delete p;
   return x;
}
```

dequeue();

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dequeue()



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Queue.cpp

```
int Queue::front()
    return front->get();
int Queue::isEmpty()
    return ( front == nullptr );
```