

# Interleave the First Half With the Second Half of the Queue [CodeStudio](#)

**Approach 1: Function to interleave the elements of a queue using a stack-based approach.**

- **Algorithm:**
  - Initialize an empty stack of integers.
  - Calculate the size of the queue.
  - Push the first half of the elements from the queue into the stack.
  - Enqueue back the elements from the stack to the queue.
  - Dequeue the first half of the elements from the queue and enqueue them back.
  - Push the first half of the elements into the stack again.
  - Interleave the elements of the queue and the stack.
- **Time Complexity:  $O(n)$** 
  - The function iterates through the queue three times, each involving  $O(n)$  operations, where 'n' is the number of elements in the queue.
- **Space Complexity:  $O(n)$** 
  - Additional space is used for the stack, which can have up to 'n' elements in the worst case.

**Approach 2: Function to interleave the elements of a queue using a queue-based approach.**

- **Algorithm:**
  - Initialize two empty queues: **firstHalf** and **secondHalf**.
  - Calculate the size of the queue.
  - Enqueue the first half of the elements from the queue into **firstHalf**.
  - Enqueue the second half of the elements from the queue into **secondHalf**.
  - Interleave and enqueue elements from both **firstHalf** and **secondHalf** back into the original queue.
- **Time Complexity:  $O(n)$**

- The function iterates through the queue and the two halves once, each involving  $O(n)$  operations, where 'n' is the number of elements in the queue.
- Space Complexity:  $O(n)$ 
  - Additional space is used for the two queues, firstHalf and secondHalf, which together can store up to 'n' elements in the worst case.