# **Customer Complaint Queue**

## **Due 23:59 Saturday, May 28, 2016**

In this assignment you will design and implement a CCQueue class modeling a simple queue for an online computer equipment retailer's customer service department with many angry customers. The data storage of the CCQueue class will supported by a doubly-linked list template class.

You are encouraged to work in groups of **at most** two members. You must include in your cs221/a2 directory a titlepage-a2.txt file listing the names, student numbers, ugrad IDs, and lab sections of all contributing members. After using make clean to remove any compiled binaries and temporary files, use handin cs221 a2 to submit your assignment. After you have submitted, you can verify that the handin was successful with handin -c cs221 a2. If you wish to overwrite your submission with a newer submission, use handin -o cs221 a2.

NOTE: electronic handin is expected to be configured by Wednesday, May 25. Please do not attempt to handin your submission before this date!

### **Doubly-Linked List Description**

Doubly-linked lists are dynamic reference structures much like the singly-linked lists seen in your lecture notes. Individual data elements are still stored within a node structure, although nodes in doubly-linked lists now contain both a pointer to the next list element as well as another pointer to the previous element in the list. The previous element pointer at the front of the list and the next element pointer at the back of the list are NULL. With such a doubly-linked structure, the list can be traversed towards the back by following the chain of next element pointers, and traversed towards the front by following the chain of previous element pointers.

A doubly-linked list can be visualized as follows:



You must implement the LinkedList template class to store data of any type; this includes a Node template class implemented for you in the LinkedList class .h file. Please refer to the documentation in the provided linkedlist.h file for the class definition and functional requirements.

ElementAt, InsertAt, RemoveAt example Consider a linked list storing integers:

Front 
$$-16 - 76 - 21 - 53 - back$$

Demonstrating 0-indexed access, ElementAt(1) returns 76. Likewise, InsertAt(81, 2) will result in the list, where 81 now occupies index 2:

Front 
$$-16 - 76 - 81 - 21 - 53 - back$$

Subsequently, RemoveAt(0) returns 16 and results in the list:

Front 
$$-76 - 81 - 21 - 53 - back$$

### **CCQueue class**

The CCQueue contains a private LinkedList member with a Ticket template type (provided in ticket.h and ticket.cpp). The CCQueue public functions are to interact with the ticket queue using calls to LinkedList methods only. Please refer to ccqueue.h for the class definition and functional requirements.

#### Notes:

While the CCQueue Service() and Add() functions are based on some queue-like behaviours, the MoveUp(), MoveDown(), and PrintStatus() functions involve random access so CCQueue is not strictly a queue as discussed in class.

### **Error Handling**

Your LinkedList class is to throw exceptions on invalid inputs such as list indices out of bounds. CCQueue functions are to be restricted such that they will not call LinkedList functions with any invalid inputs. See the comments in ccqueue.h for details on any exceptions that will be thrown by CCQueue functions.

### **Testing and Submission**

A Makefile and partial test driver have been provided for you. Note that while this driver will call every function you have been asked to implement, it is by no means a thorough test of each function's special cases and general cases. We will rigourously test both your LinkedList and CCQueue classes separately; it is your responsibility to ensure that your classes function correctly for all general and corner cases of inputs.

Submit your assignment electronically from the ugrad machines using the commands described at the top of this document. Please ensure that your cs221/a2 folder contains only the following files:

- titlepage-a2.txt
- ticket.h
- ticket.cpp
- linkedlist.h
- linkedlist.cpp
- ccqueue.h
- ccqueue.cpp
- a2simpledriver.cpp
- Makefile

### Hints for this (and future) programming assignment

Submissions which do not compile will not be graded. It is recommended when you begin, to create your .cpp implementation files with stubs for all functions, i.e. they contain no logic other than to return a default value of the correct return type. An example function stub from linkedlist.cpp is shown below:

```
template <typename T>
bool LinkedList<T>::Contains(T item) const
{
   return false;
}
```

If you are unable to complete the functionality of any methods, simply leave them as stubs so that at least we will be able to compile and run tests for other functions.

For the collection classes such as LinkedList, many if not all of the functions can only be meaningfully tested if the collection first contains some items. Thus it is of utmost importance that the various Insert methods are fully tested and working before proceeding to implement other functions.

**DRAW PICTURES!** It will be invaluable in helping to visualising the sequence of steps that need to be performed for the various special cases and general cases of operations on your data structures. Make sure you are clear about each step-by-step process and conditions *before* you begin writing your code. Code which is written without a clear purpose is not likely to work as intended. Remember that computers are actually extremely good at following instructions, so make sure that you know what the right instructions are before you tell the computer what to do.

You are welcome to code and debug in any environment of your choice, however as we will be grading on the ugrad Unix system, it is highly recommended for you to test your program in the ugrad Unix environment using the supplied Makefile before making your submission.