

AST20105 Data Structures & Algorithms

CHAPTER 5 – STACKS AND QUEUES

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Stacks



Stacks

- ▶ A stack is a **linear data structure** that can be accessed **only at one of its ends** for storing and retrieving data.
- ▶ New trays are put on the **top** of the stack and taken off the **top**.
- ▶ The last tray put on the stack is the first tray remove from the stack.
 - ▶ For this reason, a stack is called an **LIFO** structure:
 - ▶ Last in/first out

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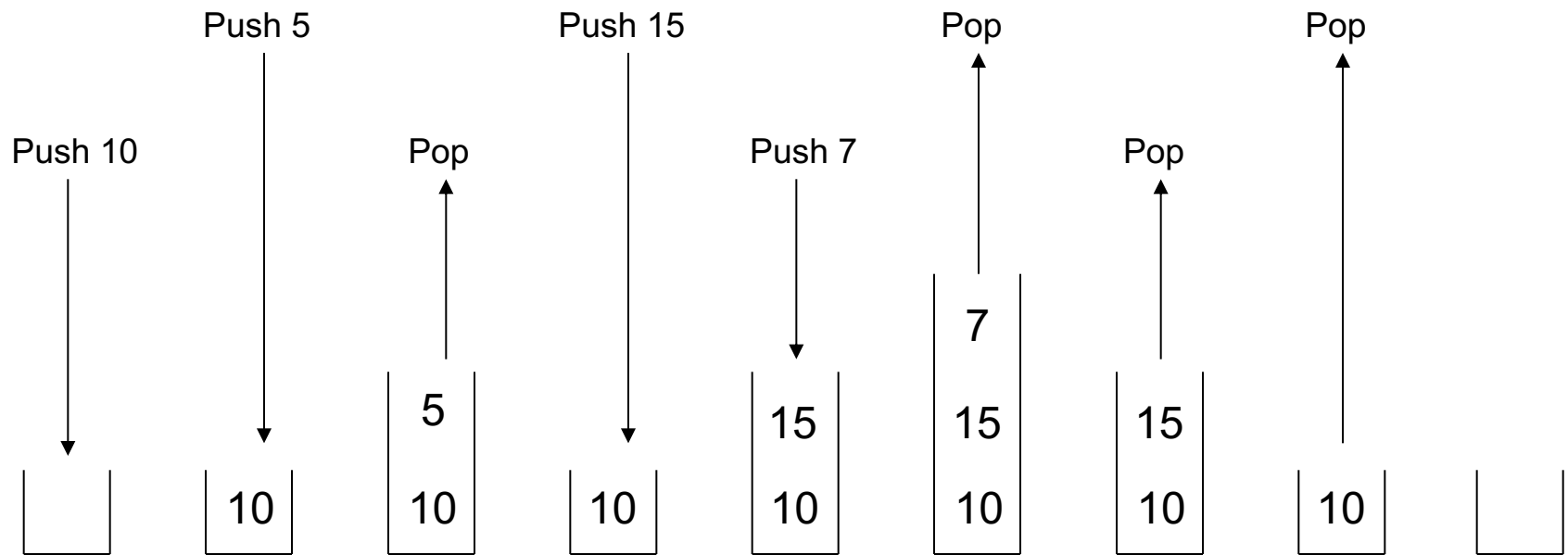
- ▶ A tray can be taken only if there are trays on the stack
- ▶ A tray can be added to the stack only if there is **enough room**;
 - ▶ That is, if the stack is not too high.

Fundamental Operations of Stack

- ▶ **Fundamental operations:**
 - ▶ **Push:**
Insert an element **to the top** of the stack
 - ▶ **Pop:**
Delete an element **from the top** of the stack
(i.e. delete the mostly recently inserted element from the stack)
 - ▶ **Top:**
Examine the element at the top of the stack
(i.e. examine the most recently inserted element of the stack)



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- ▶ The stack is very useful in situations when data have to be stored and then **retrieved in reverse order**.

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- ▶ One application of the stack is matching delimiters in a program.
- ▶ This is an important example because delimiter matching is part of any compiler:
 - ▶ No program is considered correct if the delimiters are mismatched.

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- ▶ In C++ programs, we have the following delimiters:
 - ▶ Parentheses “(” and “)”
 - ▶ Square brackets “[” and “]”
 - ▶ Curly brackets “{” and “}”
 - ▶ Comment delimiters “/*” and “*/”

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- ▶ The following examples are statements in which mismatching occurs:
 - ▶ $a = b + (c - d) * (e - f);$
 - ▶ $g[l0] = h[i[9]] + j + k) * l;$
 - ▶ `while (m < (n[8] + o)) { p = 7; /* initialize p */ r = 6; }`

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- ▶ A particular delimiter can be separated from its match by other delimiters; that is delimiters can be **nested**.
- ▶ E.g.
 - ▶ `while (m < (n[8] + o))`

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- ▶ The delimiter matching algorithm:
 - ▶ Reads a character from a C++ program and stores it on a stack if it is an **opening delimiter**.
 - ▶ If a **closing delimiter** is found, the delimiter is compared to a delimiter popped off the stack.
 - ▶ If they match, processing continues;
 - ▶ If not, processing discontinues by signaling an error.

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- ▶ The delimiter matching algorithm:
 - ▶ The processing of the C++ program ends successfully after the end of the program is reached and the stack is empty.

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- ▶ As another example of stack application, consider **adding very large numbers**.
- ▶ The largest magnitude of integers is limited.
- ▶ So we are not able to add
18274364583929273748459595684373 and
8129498165026350236
- ▶ Because integer variables cannot hold such large values, let alone their sum.

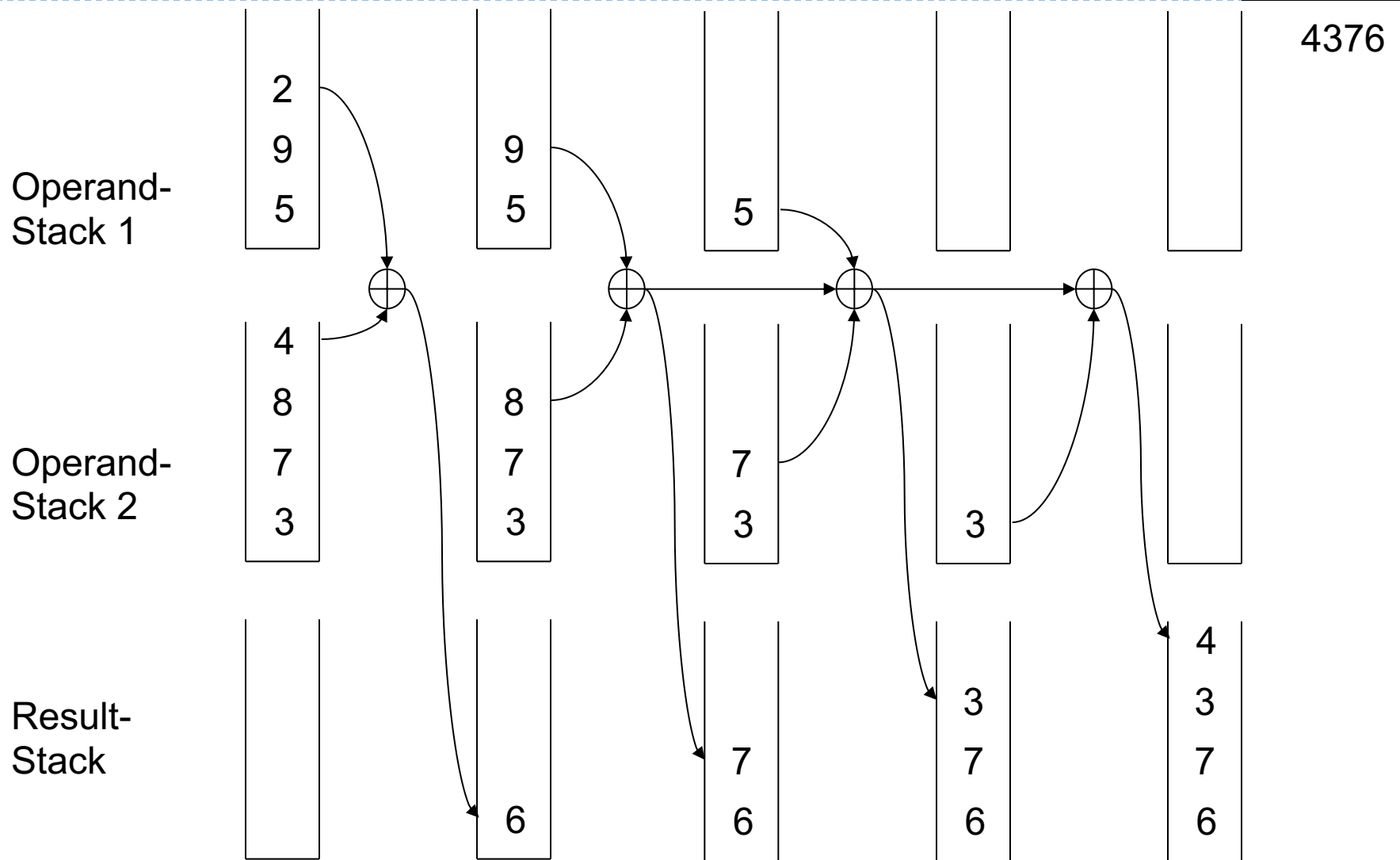
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- ▶ The problem can be solved if we treat these numbers as strings of numerals.
- ▶ Store the numbers corresponding to these numerals on two stacks.
- ▶ And then perform addition by **popping numbers** from the stacks.

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Stack Implementation

- ▶ Stack can be implemented with array or linked list
 - ▶ Array:
The **size** of the stack is **fixed**
 - ▶ Linked List:
The **size** is **flexible** and will **never be full**

Stack Class using Array Implementation

StackArr.h

```
class StackArr
{
    private:
        int maxTop;
        int stackTop;
        double* values;
    public:
        StackArr(int size = 10);
        ~StackArr();
        bool isEmpty() const;
        bool isFull() const;
        double top() const;
        void push(const double& x);
        double pop();
        void displayStack() const;
};
```

```
StackArr::StackArr(int size)
{
    maxTop = size - 1;
    values = new double[size];
    stackTop = -1;
}

StackArr::~StackArr()
{
    delete [] values;
}

bool StackArr::isEmpty() const
{
    return stackTop == -1;
}

bool StackArr::isFull() const
{
    return stackTop == maxTop;
}

// ...
```

StackArr.cpp

Stack Operation: push

- ▶ `void push(const double x)`
 - ▶ Push an element onto the stack
 - ▶ If the stack is **full**, output **error message**
 - ▶ `top` is used to represent the index of the top element. After an **element is pushed**, **increment `top`** by 1

```
void StackArr::push(const double& x)
{
    if(isFull())
        cout << "Error! The stack is full." << endl;
    else
        values[++stackTop] = x;
}

// ...
```

StackArr.cpp

Stack Operation: pop

▶ double pop()

- ▶ Pop and return the element at the top of the stack
- ▶ If the stack is **empty**, output **error message**
- ▶ After an **element is popped**, **decrement top by 1**

```
double StackArr::pop()
{
    if(isEmpty())
    {
        cout << "Error! The stack is empty." << endl;
        return -1;
    }
    else
        return values[stackTop--];
}

// ...
```

StackArr.cpp

Stack Operation: top

▶ double top()

- ▶ Return the top element of the stack
- ▶ Note: This function DOES NOT DELETE the top element

```
double StackArr::top() const
{
    if(isEmpty())
    {
        cout << "Error! The stack is empty." << endl;
        return -1;
    }
    else
        return values[stackTop];
}

// ...
```

StackArr.cpp

Stack Operation: displayStack

- ▶ void displayStack()
 - ▶ Print all the elements on screen

```
void StackArr::displayStack() const
{
    cout << "Top -->";
    for(int i=stackTop; i>=0; i--)
        cout << "\t|\t" << values[i] << "\t|" << endl;
    cout << "\t|-----|" << endl;
}
```

StackArr.cpp

Using Stack class using Array Implementation

```
#include <iostream>
#include "StackArr.h"
using namespace std;

int main()
{
    StackArr stack(5);
    stack.push(1.0);
    stack.push(2.1);
    stack.push(-2.5);
    stack.push(-9.0);
    stack.displayStack();
    cout << "Top: " << stack.top() << endl;
    stack.pop();
    cout << "Top: " << stack.top() << endl;
    while(!stack.isEmpty())
        stack.pop();
    return 0;
}
```

mainStackArr.cpp

Stack Class using Linked List Implementation

SinglyList.h

```
class SinglyList
{
    private:
        Node* head; // a pointer to the first node in the list
        friend class StackLL;
    public:
        SinglyList(); // constructor
        ~SinglyList(); // destructor
        // isEmpty determines whether the list is empty or not
        bool isEmpty();
        // insertNode inserts a new node at position "index"
        Node* insertNode(int index, double x);
        // findNode finds the position of the node with a given value
        int findNode(double x);
        // deleteNode deletes a node with a given value
        int deleteNode(double x);
        // displayList prints all the nodes in the list
        void displayList() const;
};
```


Stack Class using Linked List Implementation

```
class StackLL : public SinglyList
{
    public:
        StackLL();
        ~StackLL();
        double top() const;
        void push(const double& x);
        double pop();
        void displayStack() const;
};
```

StackLL.h

```
StackLL::StackLL()
{
}

StackLL::~~StackLL()
{
}

// ...
```

StackLL.cpp

Stack Operations: top and push

```
double StackLL::top() const
{
    if(head == NULL)
    {
        cout << "Error: The stack is empty." << endl;
        return -1;
    }
    else
        return head->data;
}

void StackLL::push(const double& x)
{
    insertNode(0,x);
}
```

StackLL.cpp

Stack Operations: pop and displayStack

```
double StackLL::pop()
{
    if(head == NULL) {
        cout << "Error: The stack is empty." << endl;
        return -1;
    }
    else
    {
        double val = head->data;
        deleteNode(val);
        return val;
    }
}

void StackLL::displayStack() const
{
    displayList();
}
```

StackLL.cpp

Queues



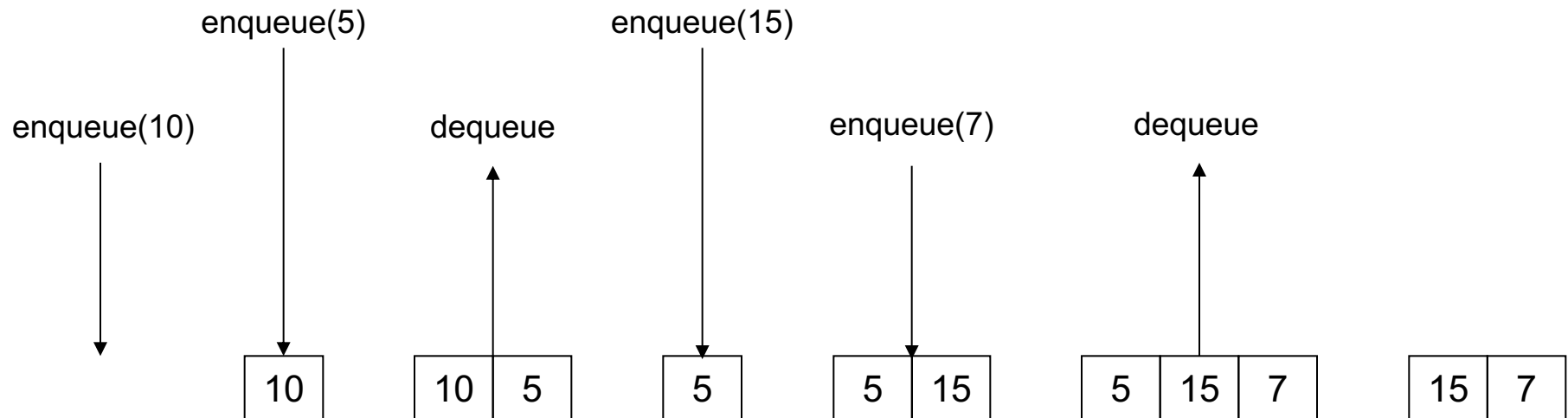
Queues

- ▶ A queue is simply a waiting line that grows by **adding elements to its end** and **shrinks by taking elements from its front**.
- ▶ Unlike a stack, a queue is a structure in which **both ends** are used:
 - ▶ One for adding new elements and
 - ▶ One for removing them.
- ▶ Therefore, the last element has to wait until all elements preceding it on the queue are removed.
- ▶ A queue is an **FIFO** structure: first in/first out.

Fundamental Operations of Queue

- ▶ **Fundamental operations:**
 - ▶ **enqueue:**
Insert an element to the back of the list
 - ▶ **dequeue:**
Delete an element at the front of the list

Queues



Queue Implementation

- ▶ Queue can also be implemented with array or linked list
 - ▶ Array:
The **size** of the queue is **fixed**
 - ▶ Linked List:
The **size** is **flexible** and will **never be full**

Queue Implementation using Circular Array

► Idea:

- When an item is inserted using **enqueue**, make the **back index move forward**
- When an item is deleted using **dequeue**, the **front index moves by one element towards** the back of the queue
- When an element moves past the end of a circular array, it **wraps around to the beginning**

Initial

							6	9	12
							Front	Back	

Enqueue(2)

2							6	9	12
Back							Front		

Dequeue

2							6	9	12
Back							Front		

Queue Class using Array Implementation

QueueArr.h

```
class QueueArr
{
    private:
        int front;
        int back;
        int counter;
        int maxSize;
        double* values;
    public:
        QueueArr(int size = 10);
        ~QueueArr();
        bool isEmpty() const;
        bool isFull() const;
        bool enqueue(double x);
        bool dequeue(double& x);
        void displayQueue() const;
};
```

```
QueueArr::QueueArr(int size) {
    values = new double[size];
    maxSize = size;
    front = 0;
    back = -1;
    counter = 0;
}

QueueArr::~QueueArr() {
    delete [] values;
}

bool QueueArr::isEmpty() const {
    if(counter) return false;
    else return true;
}

bool QueueArr::isFull() const {
    if(counter < maxSize) return false;
    else return true;
}

// ...
```

QueueArr.cpp

Queue Operation: enqueue

QueueArr.cpp

```
bool QueueArr::enqueue(double x)
{
    if(isFull()) {
        cout << "Error! The queue is full." << endl;
        return false;
    }
    else {
        back = (back + 1) % maxSize;
        values[back] = x;
        counter++;
        return true;
    }
}

// ...
```

Queue Operation: dequeue

QueueArr.cpp

```
bool QueueArr::dequeue(double& x)
{
    if(isEmpty()) {
        cout << "Error! The queue is empty." << endl;
        return false;
    }
    else {
        x = values[front];
        front = (front + 1) % maxSize;
        counter--;
        return true;
    }
}

// ...
```

Queue Operation: displayQueue

```
void QueueArr::displayQueue()
{
    cout << "Front -->";
    for(int i=0; i<counter; i++)
    {
        if(i == 0)
            cout << "\t";
        else
            cout << "\t\t";
        cout << values[(front + i) % maxSize];
        if(i != counter - 1)
            cout << endl;
        else
            cout << "\t<--Back" << endl;
    }
}
```

QueueArr.cpp

Using Queue class using Array Implementation

```
#include <iostream>
#include "QueueArr.h"
using namespace std;

int main()
{
    QueueArr queue(5);
    cout << "Enqueue 5 elements" << endl;
    for(int i=0; i<5; i++)
        queue.enqueue(i);
    queue.enqueue(5);
    queue.displayQueue();
    double value;
    queue.dequeue(value);
    cout << "Obtained element = " << value << endl;
    queue.displayQueue();
    queue.enqueue(7);
    queue.displayQueue();
    return 0;
}
```

mainQueueArr.cpp

Queue Class using Linked List Implementation

QueueLL.h

```
class QueueLL
{
    private:
        Node* front;
        Node* back;
        int counter;
    public:
        QueueLL();
        ~QueueLL();
        bool isEmpty() const;
        void enqueue(double x);
        bool dequeue(double& x);
        void displayQueue() const;
};
```

```
QueueLL::QueueLL()
{
    front = back = NULL;
    counter = 0;
}

QueueLL::~QueueLL()
{
    double value;
    while(!isEmpty())
        dequeue(value);
}

bool QueueLL::isEmpty() const
{
    if(counter) return false;
    else return true;
}

// ...
```

QueueLL.cpp

Queue Operation: enqueue

```
void QueueLL::enqueue(double x)
{
    Node* newNode = new Node;
    newNode->data = x;
    newNode->next = NULL;
    if(isEmpty())
    {
        front = newNode;
        back = newNode;
    }
    else
    {
        back->next = newNode;
        back = newNode;
    }
    counter++;
}

// ...
```

QueueLL.cpp

Queue Operation: dequeue

```
bool QueueLL::dequeue(double& x)
{
    if(isEmpty())
    {
        cout << "Error: The queue is empty." << endl;
        return false;
    }
    else
    {
        x = front->data;
        Node* nextNode = front->next;
        delete front;
        front = nextNode;
        counter--;
    }
}

// ...
```

QueueLL.cpp

Queue Operation: displayQueue

```
void QueueLL::displayQueue() const
{
    cout << "Front -->";
    Node* currNode = front;
    for(int i=0; i<counter; i++)
    {
        if(i == 0)
            cout << "\t";
        else
            cout << "\t\t";
        cout << currNode->data;
        if(i != counter - 1)
            cout << endl;
        else
            cout << "\t<--Back" << endl;
        currNode = currNode->next;
    }
}
```

QueueLL.cpp

Priority Queues

Priority Queues

- ▶ In many situations, simple queues are **inadequate**.
- ▶ Because first in/first out scheduling has to be **overruled** using some **priority criteria**.

Priority Queues



- ▶ In a post office example, a handicapped person may have **priority** over others.
- ▶ Therefore, when a clerk is available, a handicapped person is served instead of someone from the front of the queue.

Priority Queues

- ▶ On roads with tollbooths, some vehicles may be put through immediately, even without paying
 - ▶ police cars,
 - ▶ ambulances,
 - ▶ fire engines,
 - ▶ and the like.



Priority Queues

- ▶ In a sequence of processes,
 - ▶ process P2 may need to be executed before process P1 for the proper functioning of a system,
 - ▶ even though P1 was put on the queue of waiting processes before P2.

Priority Queues

- ▶ In situations like these, a modified queue, or **priority queue**, is needed.
- ▶ In priority queues, elements are dequeued according to their **priority** and their current queue **position**.

Priority Queues

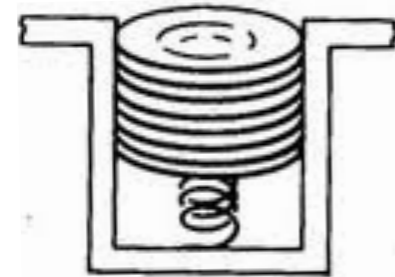
- ▶ The problem with a priority queue is in finding an **efficient implementation** that allows relatively fast enqueueing and dequeueing.
- ▶ Because elements may **arrive randomly** to the queue,
- ▶ There is no guarantee that
 - ▶ the **front elements** will be the most likely to be dequeued and
 - ▶ the elements put at the end will be the **last candidates** for dequeueing.

Priority Queues

- ▶ The situation is complicated because a wide spectrum of **possible priority criteria** can be used in different cases such as
 - ▶ Frequency of use,
 - ▶ Birthday,
 - ▶ Salary,
 - ▶ Position,
 - ▶ Status and
 - ▶ Others.

Stack and Queue Summary

- ▶ Stacks and queues are list that can handle a collection of elements, but with **certain restrictions**
- ▶ **Stacks:**
Element can only be **inserted and deleted at one end** (i.e. the **top** of the list)
 - ▶ Last inserted element will be the first to be examined or deleted
 - ▶ First inserted element will be the last to be examined or deleted)
- ▶ **Queues:**
Element can only be **inserted at one end and be deleted at the other end**
 - ▶ First element will be the first to be examined or deleted
 - ▶ Last element will be the last to be examined or deleted



Last in, First Out (LIFO)



First in, First Out (FIFO)

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