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Queue in Java

Queue is an interface in Java's `java.util` package that represents a linear data structure following the First-In-First-Out (FIFO) principle. This means the first element added to the queue is the first one to be removed.

Key Operations:

add(E e): Adds an element to the end of the queue.

offer(E e): Adds an element to the end of the queue, but returns false if the addition fails (e.g., due to limited capacity).

remove(): Removes and returns the element at the front of the queue. If the queue is empty, it throws a `NoSuchElementException`.

poll(): Removes and returns the element at the front of the queue, or null if the queue is empty.

element(): Returns the element at the front of the queue without removing it. If the queue is empty, it throws a `NoSuchElementException`.

peek(): Returns the element at the front of the queue without removing it, or null if the queue is empty.

Common Implementations:

ArrayDeque: A resizable array implementation of a deque (double ended queue) that can also be used as a queue.

LinkedList: A linked list implementation of a queue.

Example:

```
import java.util.Queue;
import java.util.LinkedList;

public class QueueExample {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Queue<String> queue
```

```
= new LinkedList<>();

queue.add("Apple");
queue.add("Banana");
queue.add("Cherry");

System.out.println("Queue: " + queue);

String
removed = queue.remove();
System.out.println("Removed: " + removed);

System.out.println("Queue: " + queue);
}
}
```

Gfg Links for Further Reference:

Queue Interface: <https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/queue-data-structure/>

ArrayDeque Class:

<https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/java-util-arraydeque-class-java/>

LinkedList Class: <https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/linked-list-in-java/>

Singleton Design Pattern

Singleton pattern is a design pattern which restricts a class to instantiate its multiple objects. It is nothing but a way of defining a class. Class is defined in such a way that only one instance of the class is created in the complete execution of a program or project. It is used where only a single instance of a class is required to control the action throughout the execution.

Challenge 1 : We have a Person class. Our task is to make sure that when we create objects of Person class, the constructor gets called only once, i.e. all objects have the same hashcode.

Challenge 2 : Why do we need Singleton classes ?
(**HINT** : Driver Class for making connections to the database .)

Challenge 3 : Why does the newly created getPerson function in Person need to be static ?

References :

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