

Comparison of Stack Representation Using Queues

1. Time Complexity

Operation	Using One Queue	Using Two Queues
Push	$O(n)$	$O(n)$
Pop	$O(1)$	$O(1)$
Peek (Top)	$O(1)$	$O(1)$

- Push:

- One Queue: Rotates the queue to ensure the last inserted element is always at the front ($O(n)$).
- Two Queues: Transfers elements from one queue to another, which takes $O(n)$.

- Pop & Peek:

- Both approaches allow $O(1)$ complexity for these operations since the element at the "top" of the stack is directly accessible.

2. Space Complexity

Approach	Space Complexity
One Queue	$O(n)$
Two Queues	$O(2n)$

- One Queue: Only one queue is used, so the space is proportional to the number of elements.
- Two Queues: Double the space is required since both queues exist

simultaneously.

3. Ease of Implementation

- One Queue:
 - Slightly trickier due to the need to rotate the queue on every push operation.
 - Requires understanding of rotation mechanics to simulate stack behavior.
- Two Queues:
 - Conceptually simpler since push and pop are straightforward enqueue and dequeue operations.
 - Easier to debug as it involves standard queue transfers.

4. Efficiency in Real Scenarios

Scenario	One Queue	Two Queues
Space-Constrained Systems	More efficient ($O(n)$ space).	Less efficient ($O(2n)$ space).
Heavy Push Operations	Less efficient ($O(n)$ per push).	Less efficient ($O(n)$ per push).
Heavy Pop Operations	Equally efficient ($O(1)$).	Equally efficient ($O(1)$).
Overall Simplicity	Slightly complex.	Simpler to understand.

5. Use Cases

- One Queue:
 - Best when space is limited.

- Suitable for small-scale or memory-constrained applications.
- Two Queues:
 - Useful in applications where simplicity and maintainability are more important.
 - Ideal for teaching or situations where clarity is critical.

6. Pros and Cons

One Queue:

Pros:

- Saves memory ($O(n)$ space).
- Efficient for memory-constrained scenarios.

Cons:

- Slower push ($O(n)$ due to rotation).
- Harder to implement and debug.

Two Queues:

Pros:

- Easier to implement and debug.
- Clear separation of roles between queues.

Cons:

- Doubles memory usage ($O(2n)$ space).
- Same $O(n)$ push complexity as one-queue.

7. Conclusion

- Use the one-queue approach when memory is a primary concern.
- Use the two-queue approach when simplicity and clarity are more important.