Programming Assignment 2: Randomized Queues and Deques

Write a generic data type for a deque and a randomized queue. The goal of this assignment is to implement elementary data structures using arrays and linked lists, and to introduce you to generics and iterators.

Dequeue. A *double-ended queue* or *deque* (pronounced "deck") is a generalization of a stack and a queue that supports adding and removing items from either the front or the back of the data structure. Create a generic data type Deque that implements the following API:

Corner cases. Throw a java.lang.NullPointerException if the client attempts to add a null item; throw a java.util.NoSuchElementException if the client attempts to remove an item from an empty deque; throw a java.lang.UnsupportedOperationException if the client calls the remove() method in the iterator; throw a java.util.NoSuchElementException if the client calls the next() method in the iterator and there are no more items to return.

Performance requirements. Your deque implementation must support each deque operation in constant worst-case time and use space proportional to the number of items currently in the deque. Additionally, your iterator implementation must support each operation (including construction) in constant worst-case time.

Randomized queue. A *randomized queue* is similar to a stack or queue, except that the item removed is chosen uniformly at random from items in the data structure. Create a generic data type RandomizedQueue that implements the following API:

Corner cases. The order of two or more iterators to the same randomized queue must be mutually independent; each iterator must maintain its own random order. Throw a java.lang.NullPointerException if the client attempts to add a null item; throw a java.util.NoSuchElementException if the client attempts to sample or dequeue an item from an empty randomized queue; throw a java.lang.UnsupportedOperationException if the client calls the remove() method in the iterator; throw a java.util.NoSuchElementException if the client calls the next() method in the iterator and there are no more items to return.

Performance requirements. Your randomized queue implementation must support each randomized queue operation (besides creating an iterator) in constant amortized time and use space proportional to the number of items currently in the queue. That is, any sequence of M

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randomized queue operations (starting from an empty queue) should take at most cM steps in the worst case, for some constant c. Additionally, your iterator implementation must support operations next() and hasNext() in constant worst-case time; and construction in linear time; you may use a linear amount of extra memory per iterator.

Subset client. Write a client program Subset.java that takes a command-line integer k; reads in a sequence of N strings from standard input using StdIn.readString(); and prints out exactly k of them, uniformly at random. Each item from the sequence can be printed out at most once. You may assume that $0 \le k \le N$, where N is the number of string on standard input.

The running time of Subset must be linear in the size of the input. You may use only a constant amount of memory plus either one Deque or RandomizedQueue object of maximum size at most N, where N is the number of strings on standard input. (For an extra challenge, use only one Deque or RandomizedQueue object of maximum size at most k.) It should have the following API.

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public class Subset {
   public static void main(String[] args)
}
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Deliverables. Submit only Deque.java, RandomizedQueue.java, and Subset.java. We will supply stdlib.jar. You may not call any library functions other than those in stdlib.jar, java.lang, java.util.Iterator, and java.util.NoSuchElementException.

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