



Chapter 8

Queues

The Abstract Data Type Queue

- A queue
 - New items enter at the back, or rear, of the queue
 - Items leave from the front of the queue
 - First-in, first-out (FIFO) property
 - The first item inserted into a queue is the first item to leave

The Abstract Data Type Queue

- ADT queue operations
 - Create an empty queue
 - Determine whether a queue is empty
 - Add a new item to the queue
 - Remove from the queue the item that was added earliest
 - Remove all the items from the queue
 - Retrieve from the queue the item that was added earliest

The Abstract Data Type Queue

- Queues
 - Are appropriate for many real-world situations
 - Example: A line to buy a movie ticket
 - Have applications in computer science
 - Example: A request to print a document
- A simulation
 - A study to see how to reduce the wait involved in an application

The Abstract Data Type Queue

- Pseudocode for the ADT queue operations

```
createQueue()
```

```
// Creates an empty queue.
```

```
isEmpty()
```

```
// Determines whether a queue is empty
```

```
enqueue(newItem) throws QueueException
```

```
// Adds newItem at the back of a queue. Throws
```

```
// QueueException if the operation is not
```

```
// successful
```

The Abstract Data Type Queue

- Pseudocode for the ADT queue operations
(Continued)

```
dequeue() throws QueueException  
// Retrieves and removes the front of a queue.  
// Throws QueueException if the operation is  
// not successful.
```

```
dequeueAll()  
// Removes all items from a queue
```

```
peek() throws QueueException  
// Retrieves the front of a queue. Throws  
// QueueException if the retrieval is not  
// successful
```

The Abstract Data Type Queue

Operation

```
queue.createQueue()  
queue.enqueue(5)  
queue.enqueue(2)  
queue.enqueue(7)  
queueFront = queue.peek()  
queueFront = queue.dequeue()  
queueFront = queue.dequeue()
```

Queue after operation

Front
↓
5
5 2
5 2 7
5 2 7 (queueFront is 5)
5 2 7 (queueFront is 5)
2 7 (queueFront is 2)

Figure 8-2

Some queue operations

Simple Applications of the ADT Queue: Reading a String of Characters

- A queue can retain characters in the order in which they are typed

```
queue.createQueue()  
while (not end of line) {  
    Read a new character ch  
    queue.enqueue(ch)  
}
```

- Once the characters are in a queue, the system can process them as necessary

Recognizing Palindromes

- A palindrome
 - A string of characters that reads the same from left to right as it does from right to left
- To recognize a palindrome, a queue can be used in conjunction with a stack
 - A stack can be used to reverse the order of occurrences
 - A queue can be used to preserve the order of occurrences

Recognizing Palindromes

- A nonrecursive recognition algorithm for palindromes
 - As you traverse the character string from left to right, insert each character into both a queue and a stack
 - Compare the characters at the front of the queue and the top of the stack

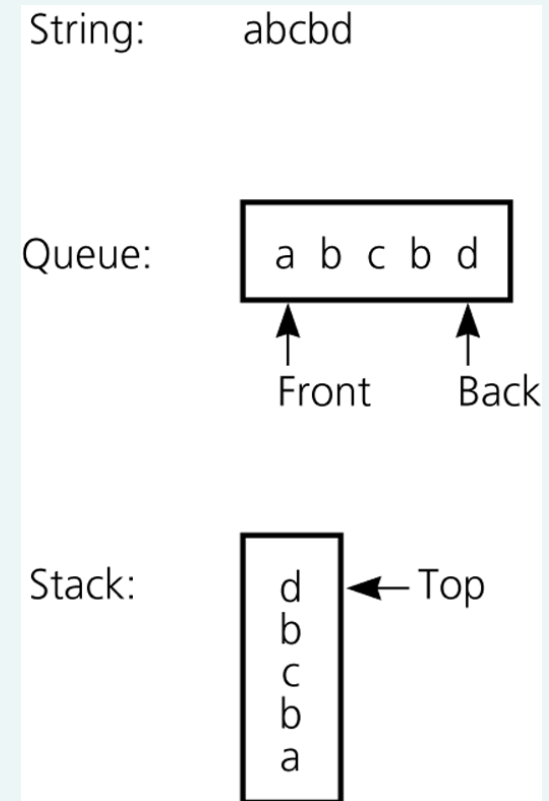


Figure 8-3

The results of inserting a string into both a queue and a stack

Implementations of the ADT Queue

- A queue can have either
 - An array-based implementation
 - A reference-based implementation

A Reference-Based Implementation

- Possible implementations of a queue
 - A linear linked list with two external references
 - A reference to the front
 - A reference to the back

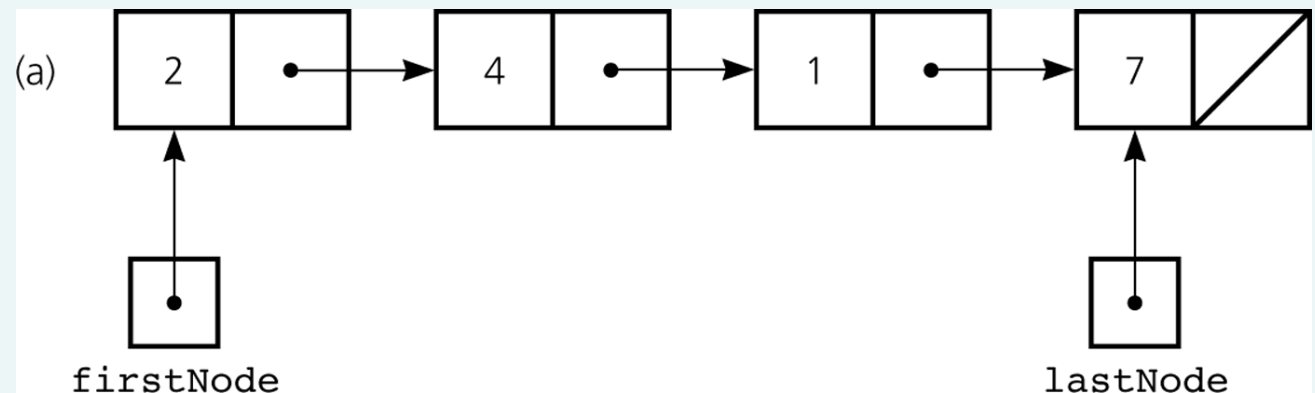


Figure 8-4a

A reference-based implementation of a queue: a) a linear linked list with two external references

A Reference-Based Implementation

- Possible implementations of a queue (Continued)
 - A circular linked list with one external reference
 - A reference to the back

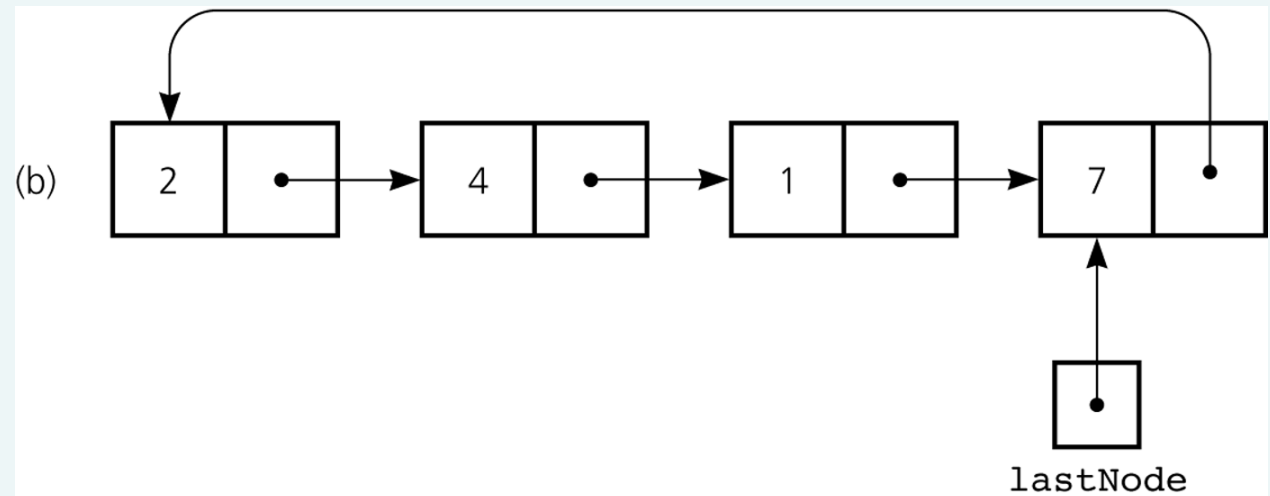


Figure 8-4b

A reference-based implementation of a queue: b) a circular linear linked list with one external reference

A Reference-Based Implementation

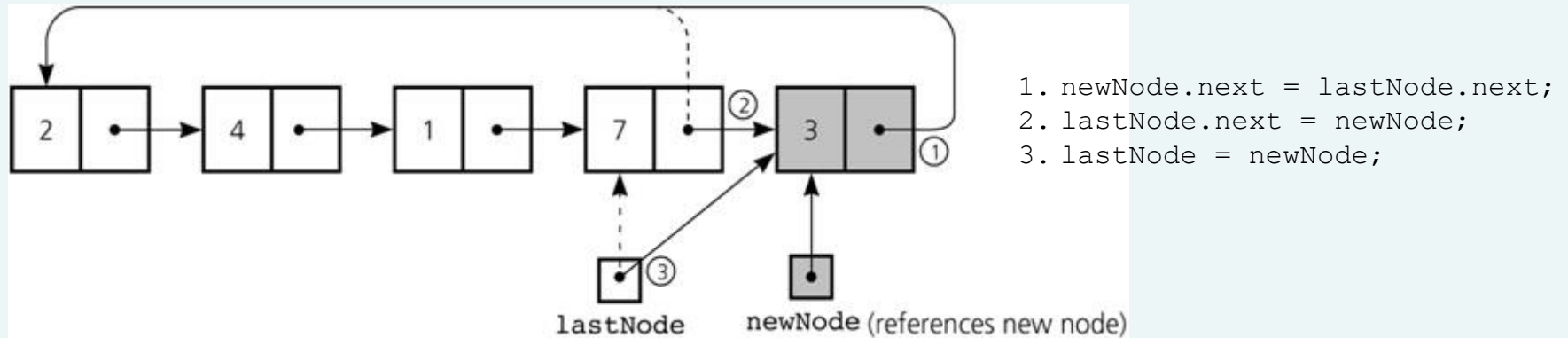
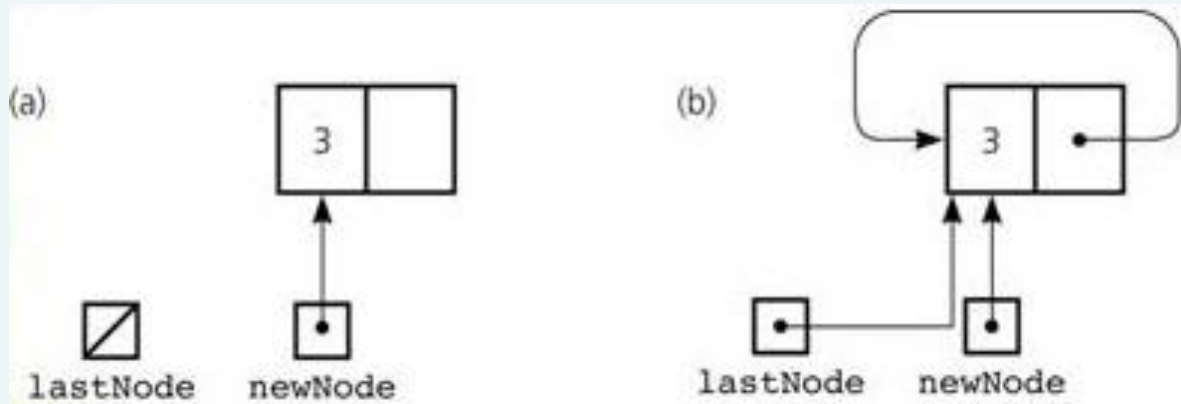


Figure 8-5

Inserting an item into a nonempty queue

A Reference-Based Implementation

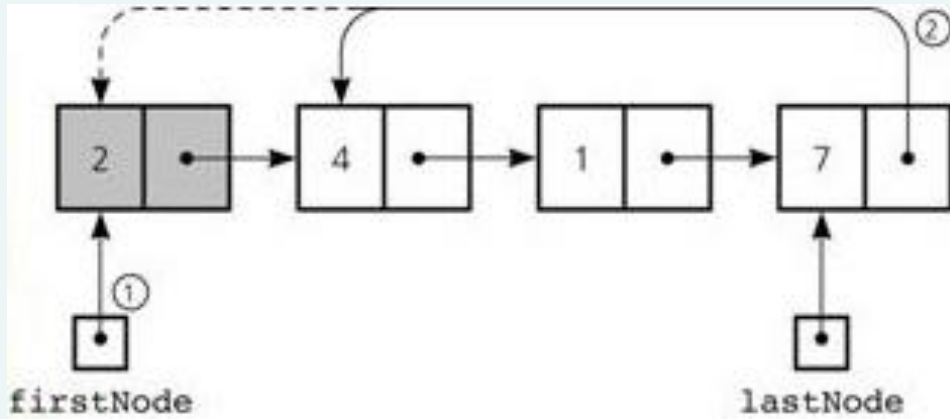


```
newNode.next = newNode;  
lastNode = newNode;
```

Figure 8-6

Inserting an item into an empty queue: a) before insertion; b) after insertion

A Reference-Based Implementation



1. `firstNode = lastNode.next;`
2. `lastNode.next = firstNode.next;`

Figure 8-7

Deleting an item from a queue of more than one item

An Array-Based Implementation

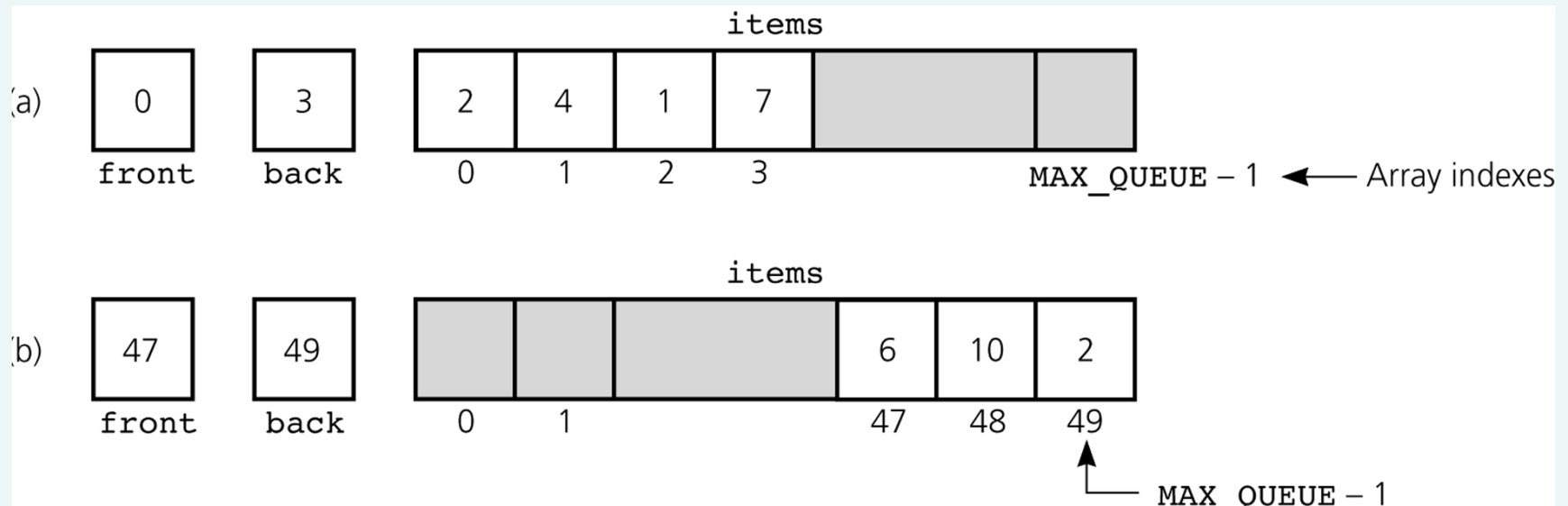


Figure 8-8

a) A naive array-based implementation of a queue; b) rightward drift can cause the queue to appear full

An Array-Based Implementation

- A circular array eliminates the problem of rightward drift

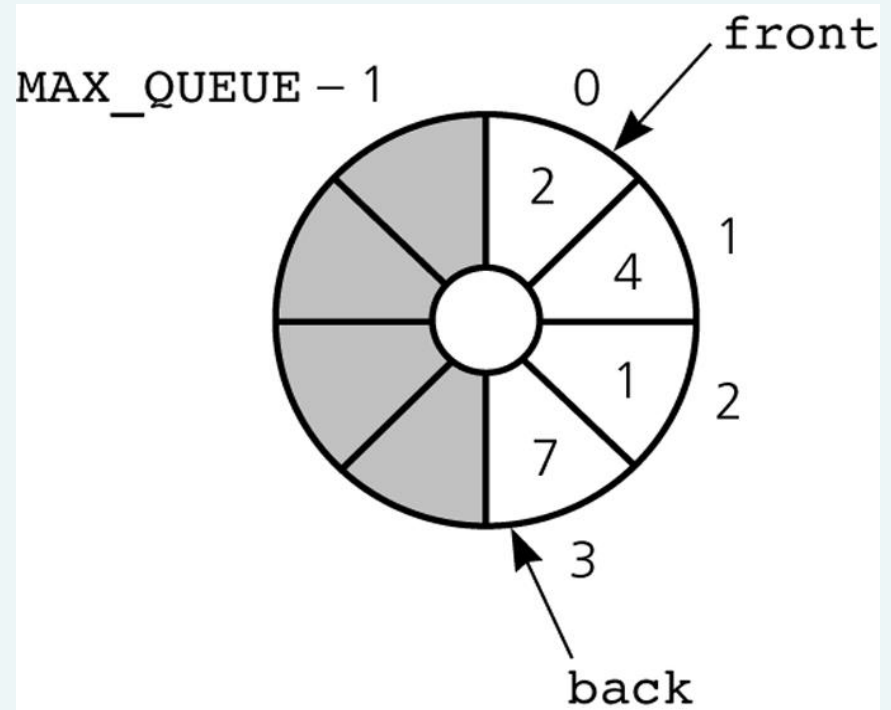


Figure 8-9

A circular implementation of a queue

An Array-Based Implementation

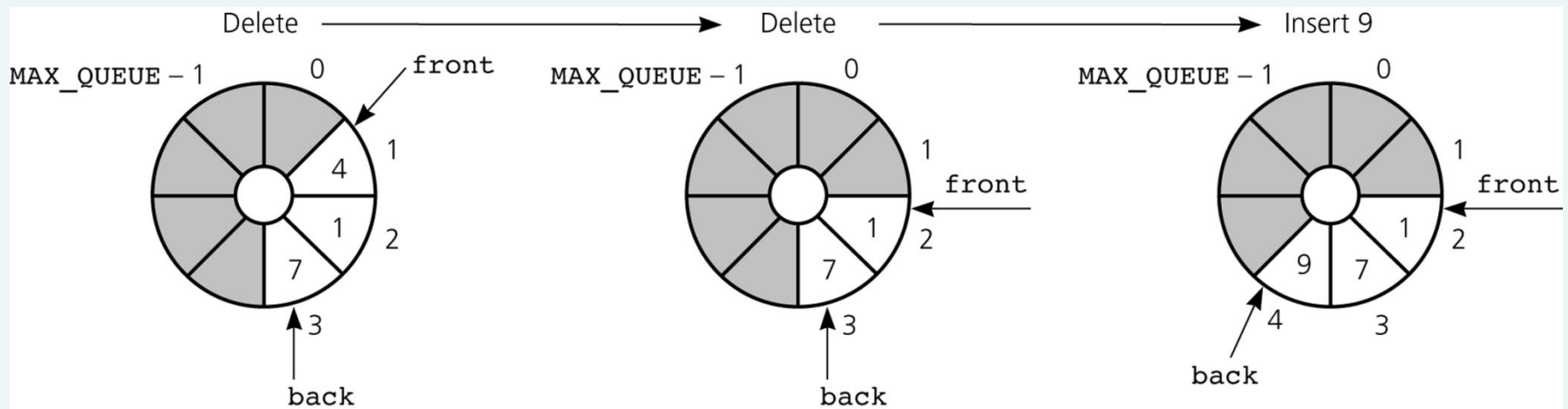


Figure 8-10

The effect of some operations of the queue in Figure 8-8

An Array-Based Implementation

- A problem with the circular array implementation
 - `front` and `back` cannot be used to distinguish between queue-full and queue-empty conditions

An Array-Based Implementation

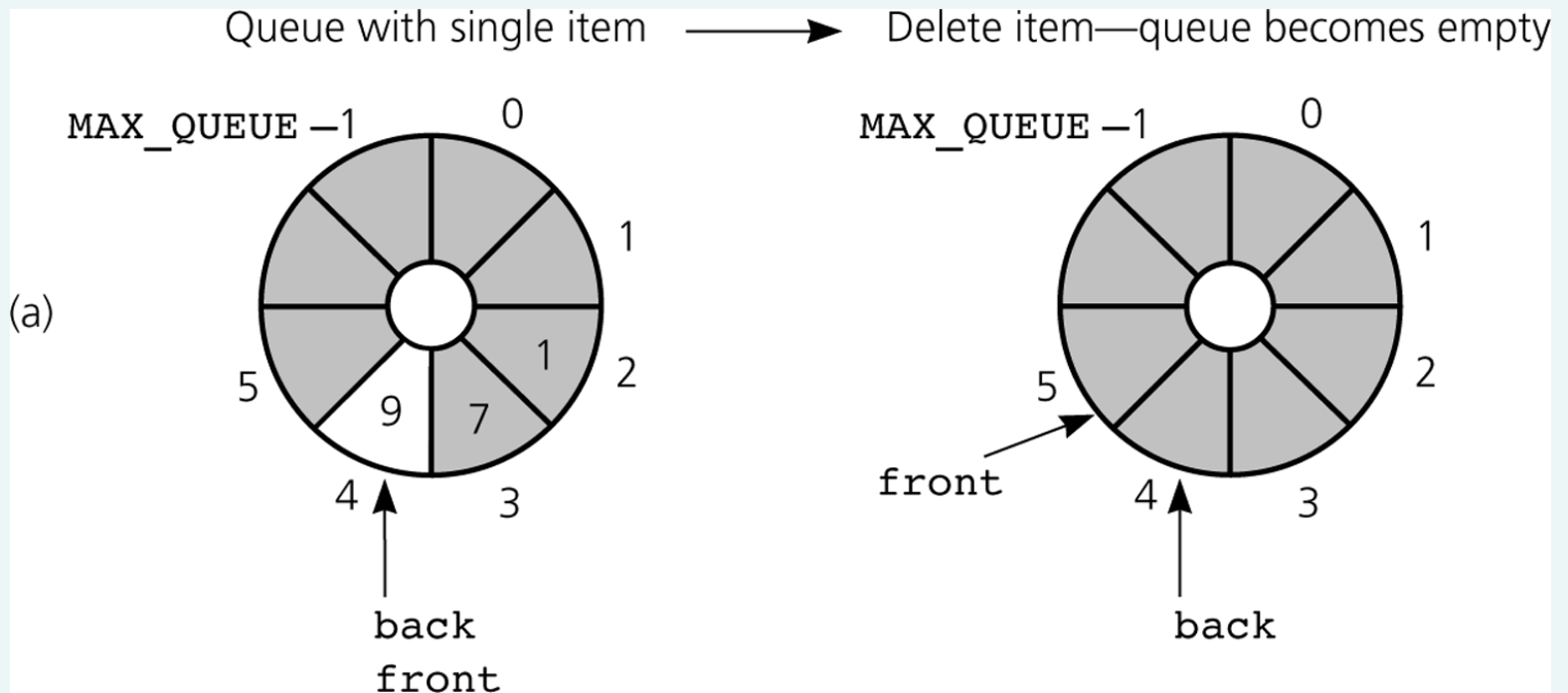


Figure 8-11a

a) *front* passes *back* when the queue becomes empty

An Array-Based Implementation

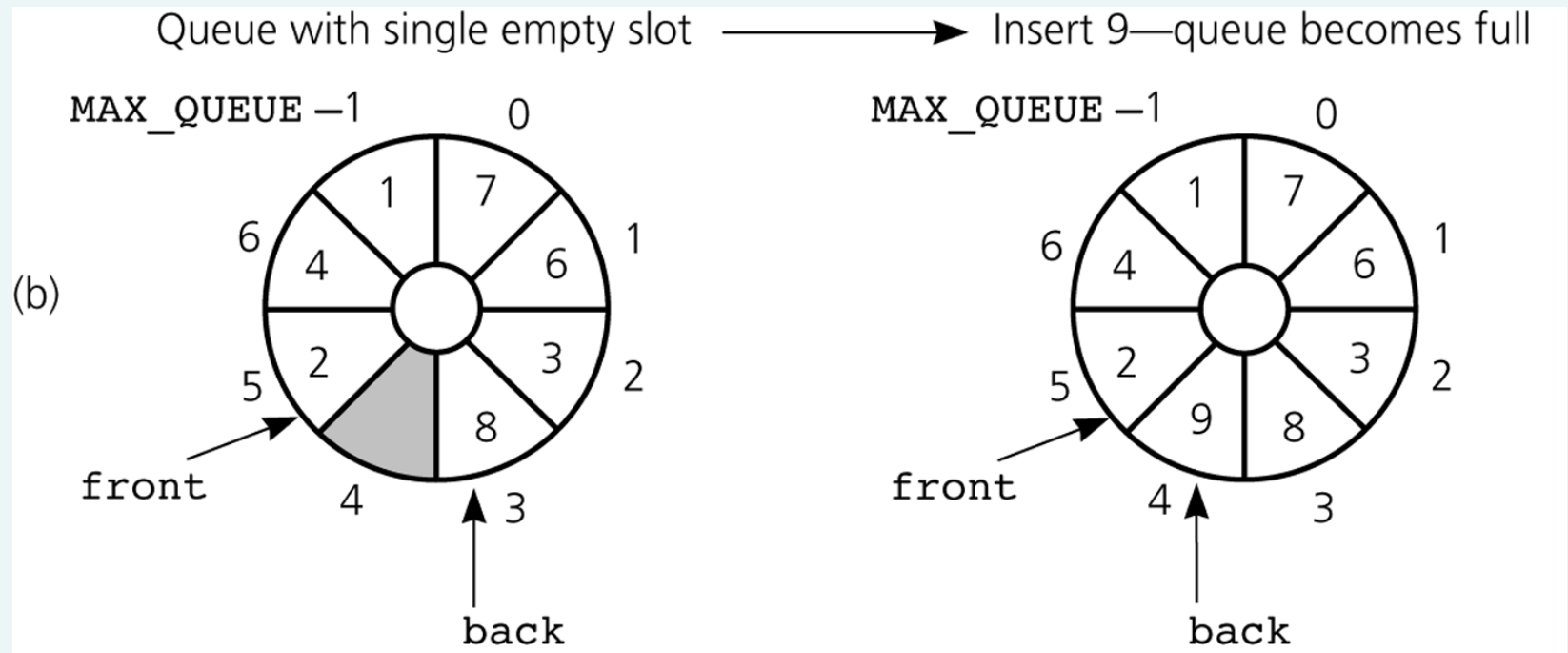


Figure 8-11b

b) **back** catches up to **front** when the queue becomes full

An Array-Based Implementation

- To detect queue-full and queue-empty conditions
 - Keep a count of the queue items
- To initialize the queue, set
 - `front` to 0
 - `back` to `MAX_QUEUE - 1`
 - `count` to 0

An Array-Based Implementation

- Inserting into a queue

```
back = (back+1) % MAX_QUEUE;  
items[back] = newItem;  
++count;
```

- Deleting from a queue

```
front = (front+1) % MAX_QUEUE;  
--count;
```


An Array-Based Implementation

- Variations of the array-based implementation
 - Use a flag `full` to distinguish between the full and empty conditions
 - Declare `MAX_QUEUE + 1` locations for the array items, but use only `MAX_QUEUE` of them for queue items

An Array-Based Implementation

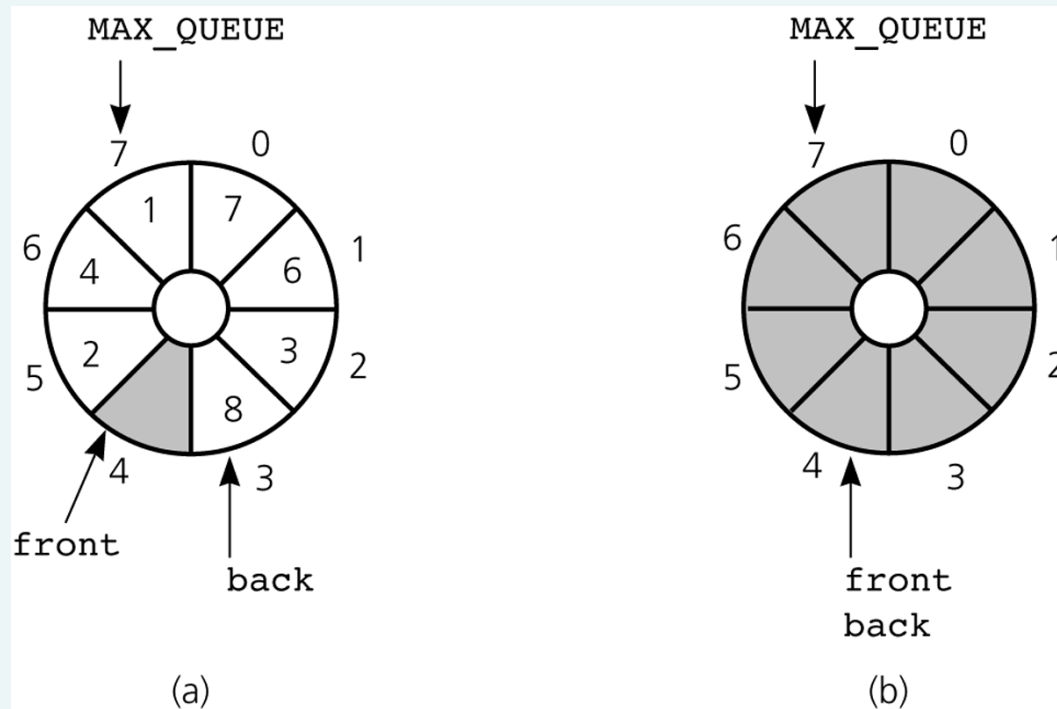


Figure 8-12

A more efficient circular implementation: a) a full queue; b) an empty queue

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An Implementation That Uses the ADT List

- If the item in position 1 of a list `list` represents the front of the queue, the following implementations can be used
 - `dequeue()`
`list.remove(1)`
 - `peek()`
`list.get(1)`

An Implementation That Uses the ADT List

- If the item at the end of the list represents the back of the queue, the following implementations can be used

```
- enqueue(newItem)  
  list.add(list.size()+1, newItem)
```

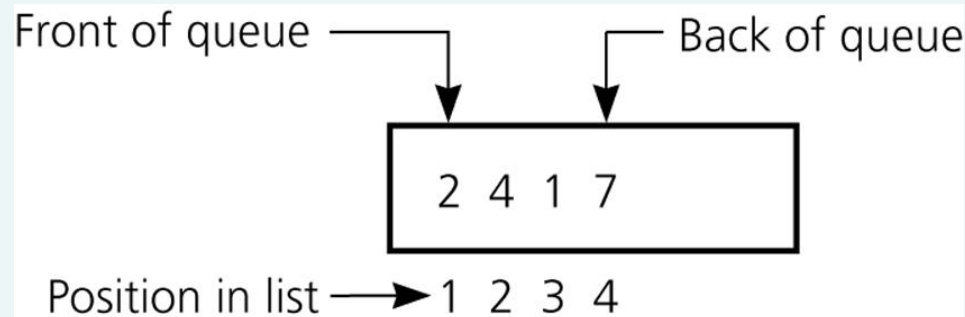


Figure 8-13

An implementation that uses the ADT list

The Java Collections Framework

Interface **Queue**

- JCF has a queue interface called **Queue**
- Derived from interface **Collection**
- Adds methods:
 - `element`: retrieves, but does not remove head
 - `offer`: inserts element into queue
 - `peek`: retrieves, but does not remove head
 - `poll`: retrieves and removes head
 - `remove`: retrieves and removes head

The Java Collections Framework

Interface Deque

- **Deque** = double-ended queue
 - (pronounced “deck”)
- Allows us to insert and delete from either end
 - Useful methods: `addFirst`, `addLast`, `peekFirst`, `peekLast`, `getFirst`, `getLast`, `removeFirst`, `removeLast`
- Thus, may function as both a stack and a queue
- Example: text editor
 - Input characters using “stack” functionality: backspace event causes a pop. Output characters using “queue” functionality.

Comparing Implementations

- All of the implementations of the ADT queue mentioned are ultimately either
 - Array based
 - Reference based
- Fixed size versus dynamic size
 - A statically allocated array
 - Prevents the `enqueue` operation from adding an item to the queue if the array is full
 - A resizable array or a reference-based implementation
 - Does not impose this restriction on the `enqueue` operation

Comparing Implementations

- Reference-based implementations
 - A linked list implementation
 - More efficient
 - The ADT list implementation
 - Simpler to write

A Summary of Position-Oriented ADTs

- Position-oriented ADTs
 - List
 - Stack
 - Queue
- Stacks and queues
 - Only the end positions can be accessed
- Lists
 - All positions can be accessed

A Summary of Position-Oriented ADTs

- Stacks and queues are very similar
 - Operations of stacks and queues can be paired off as
 - `createStack` and `createQueue`
 - `Stack isEmpty` and `queue isEmpty`
 - `push` and `enqueue`
 - `pop` and `dequeue`
 - `Stack peek` and `queue peek`

A Summary of Position-Oriented ADTs

- ADT list operations generalize stack and queue operations
 - length
 - add
 - remove
 - get

Application: Simulation

- Simulation
 - A technique for modeling the behavior of both natural and human-made systems
 - Goal
 - Generate statistics that summarize the performance of an existing system
 - Predict the performance of a proposed system
 - Example
 - A simulation of the behavior of a bank

Application: Simulation

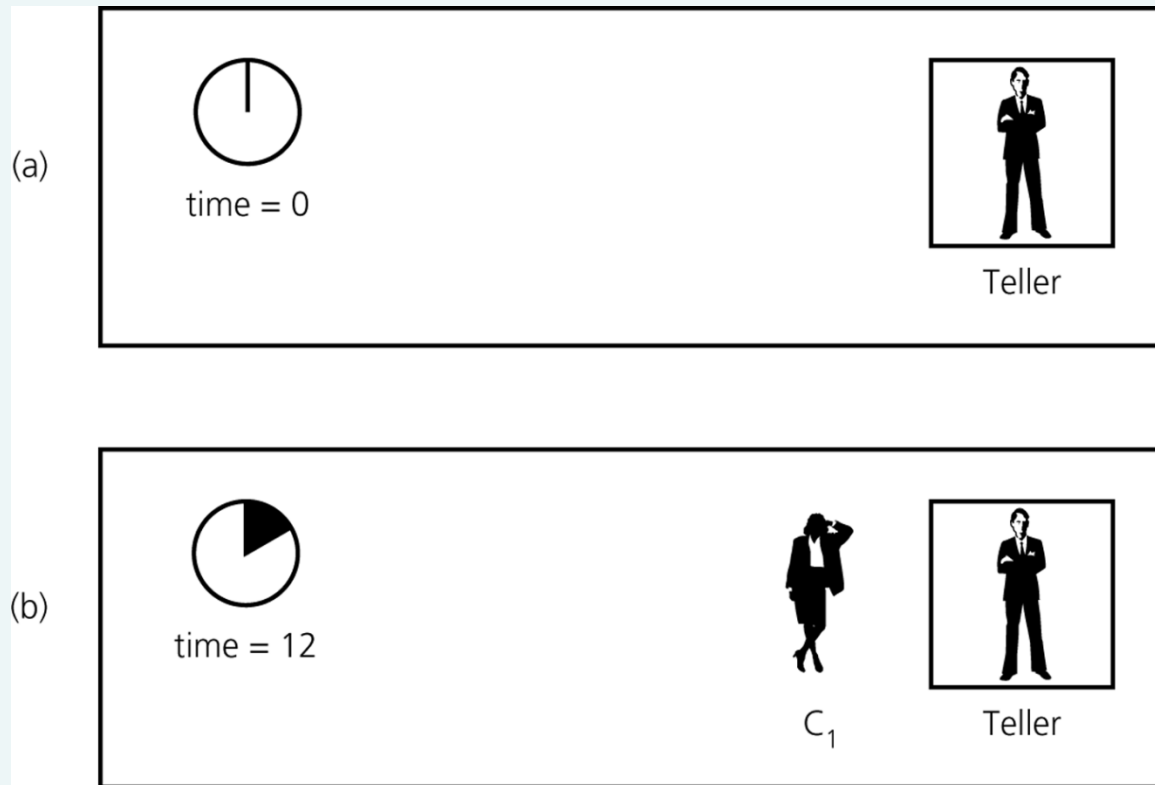


Figure 8-14a and 8-14b

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Application: Simulation

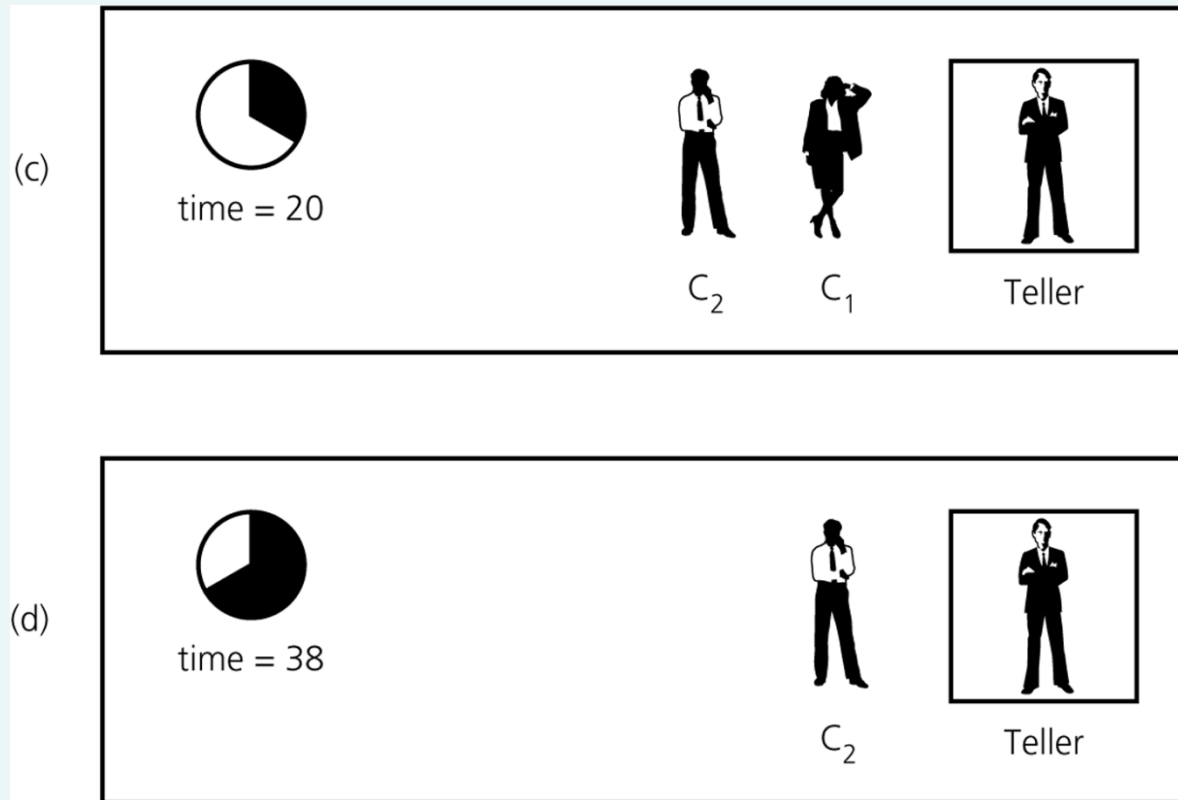


Figure 8-14c and 8-14d

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Application: Simulation

- An event-driven simulation
 - Simulated time is advanced to the time of the next event
 - Events are generated by a mathematical model that is based on statistics and probability
- A time-driven simulation
 - Simulated time is advanced by a single time unit
 - The time of an event, such as an arrival or departure, is determined randomly and compared with a simulated clock

Application: Simulation

- The bank simulation is concerned with
 - Arrival events
 - Indicate the arrival at the bank of a new customer
 - External events: the input file specifies the times at which the arrival events occur
 - Departure events
 - Indicate the departure from the bank of a customer who has completed a transaction
 - Internal events: the simulation determines the times at which the departure events occur

Application: Simulation

- An event list is needed to implement an event-driven simulation
 - An event list
 - Keeps track of arrival and departure events that will occur but have not occurred yet
 - Contains at most one arrival event and one departure event

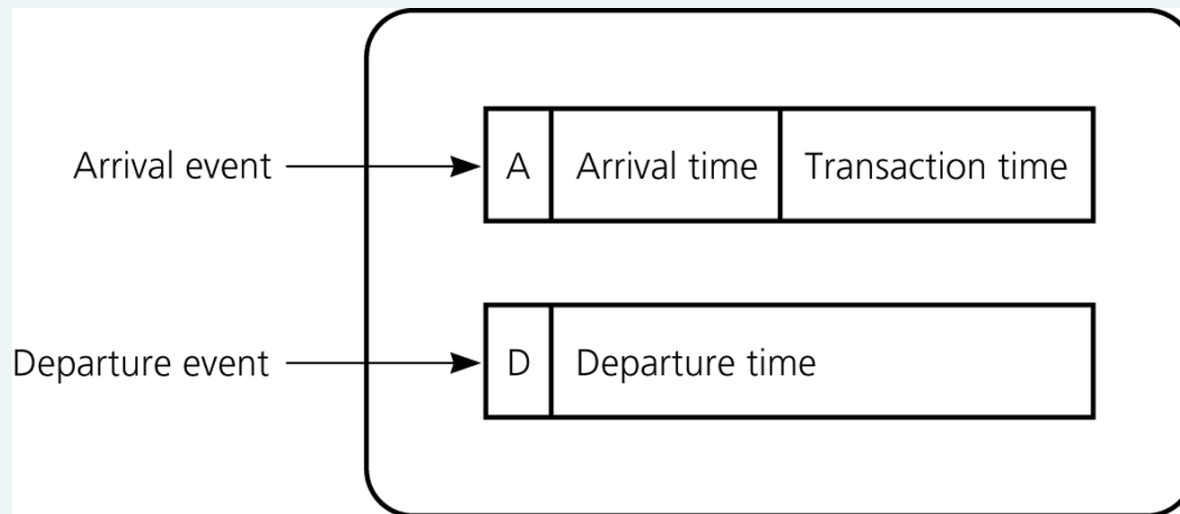


Figure 8-15

A typical instance of the event list

Summary

- The definition of the queue operations gives the ADT queue first-in, first-out (FIFO) behavior
- A reference-based implementation of a queue uses either
 - A circular linked list
 - A linear linked list with a head reference and a tail reference
- An array-based implementation of a queue is prone to rightward drift
 - A circular array eliminates the problem of rightward drift

Summary

- To distinguish between the queue-full and queue-empty conditions in a queue implementation that uses a circular array, you can
 - Count the number of items in the queue
 - Use a `full` flag
 - Leave one array location empty
- Models of real-world systems often use queues
 - The event-driven simulation in this chapter uses a queue to model a line of customers in a bank

Summary

- Simulations
 - Central to a simulation is the notion of simulated time
 - In a time-driven simulation
 - Simulated time is advanced by a single time unit
 - In an event-driven simulation
 - Simulated time is advanced to the time of the next event
 - To implement an event-driven simulation, you maintain an event list that contains events that have not yet occurred