

Stacks and Queues

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- There are several efficient ways to implement stacks and queues.
- Here we will use **arrays**.



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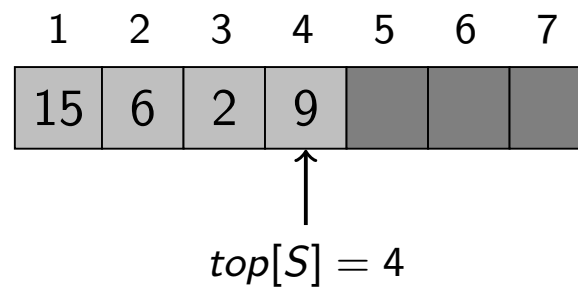
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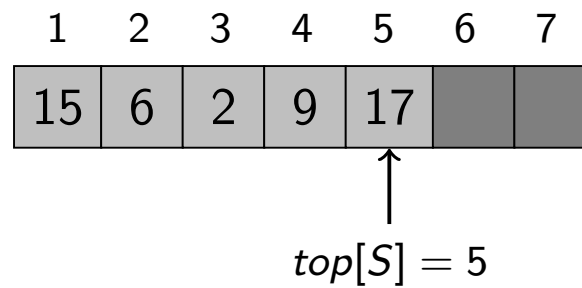
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- An array $S[1 \dots n]$ denotes a stack of at most n elements.
- $top[S]$: Points to the most recently inserted element.
- The stack consists of elements $S[1 \dots top[S]]$, where
 - $S[1]$ is the element at the **bottom** of the stack and
 - $S[top[S]]$ is the element at the **top**.
- **Empty Stack:** $top[S] = 0$.
- **Stack Underflow:** Empty stack is popped.
- **Stack Overflow:** $top[S] > n$.

Stack: An Example



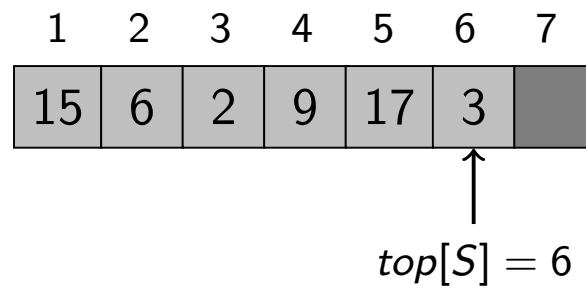
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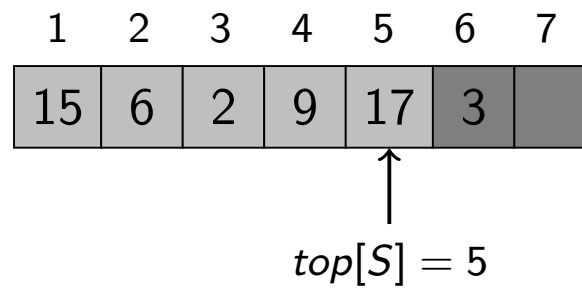
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POP( $S$ )  
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  If (STACKEMPTY( $S$ ))  
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  Else  
     $top[S] \leftarrow top[S] - 1$ ;  
    return  $S[top[S] + 1]$ ;  
End
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Prefix, Postfix and Infix Expressions

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- **Infix:** The operators in the expression are placed in between the operands on which the operator works.
 - **Example:** $a + b * c$
 - Easy to read, write and understand by humans.
 - But not by computer.
 - It's costly, in terms of time and space, to process Infix expressions
- **Postfix:** The operators are placed after the operands on which the operator works.
 - **Example:** $abc * +$
 - It's most used to notation for evaluating arithmetic expression.
- **Prefix:** The operators are placed before the operands on which the operator works.
 - **Example:** $+a * bc$

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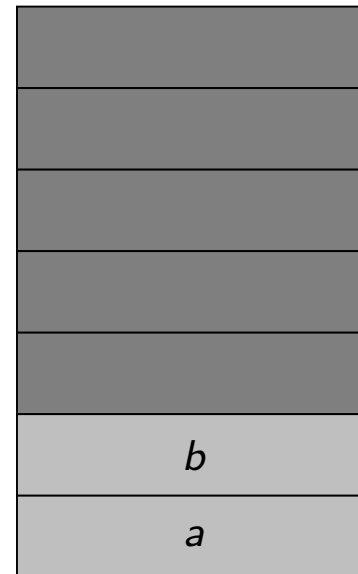
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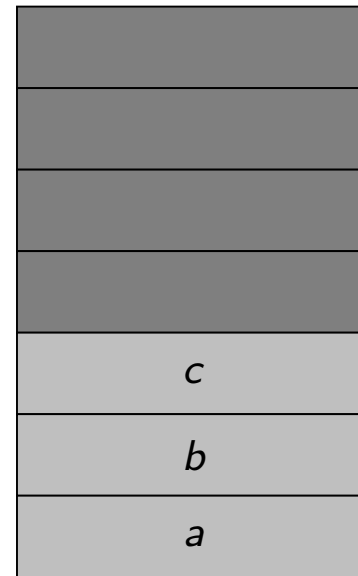
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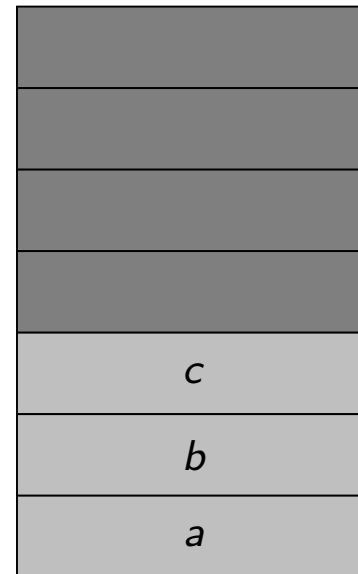
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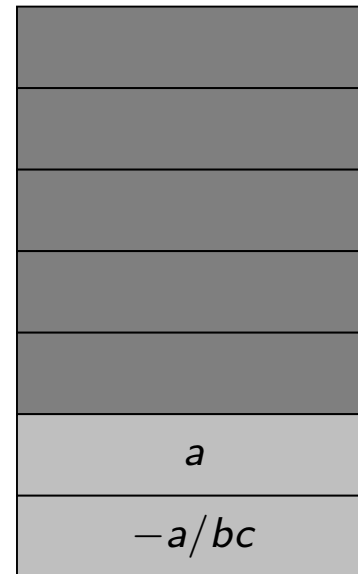
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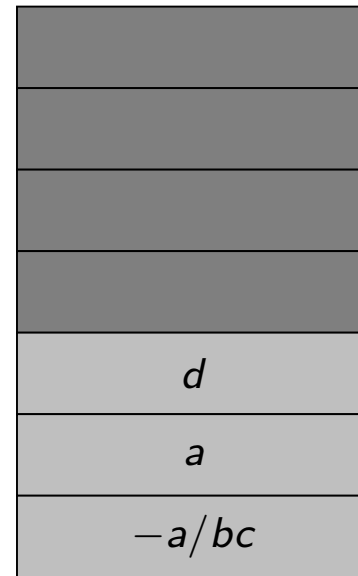
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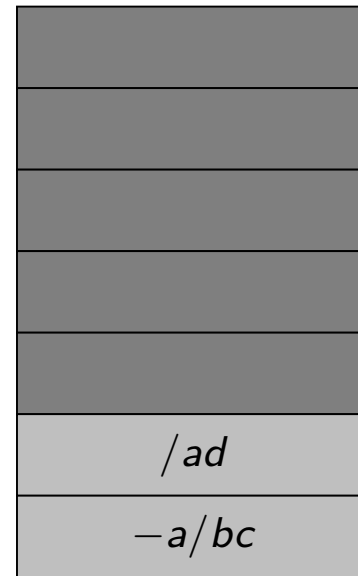
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Queue ADT

- **Queues** store arbitrary objects.
- **Insertions:** At the **end** of the queue.
- **Removals:** From the **front** of the queue.
- The queue has a **head** and a **tail**.



Queue ADT (Cont.)

Main Operations:

- **ENQUEUE(Q, x)**: Inserts an element at the end.
- **DEQUEUE(Q)**: Removes and returns the element at the front.



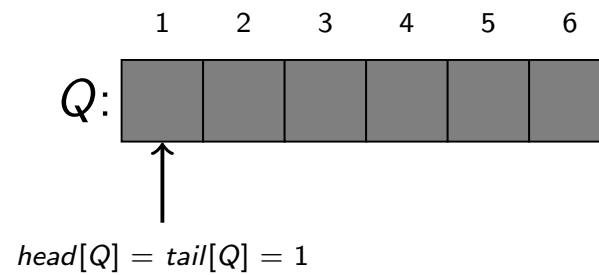
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Auxiliary Operations:

- **FRONT()**: Returns the element at the front without removing it.
- **SIZE()**: Returns the number of elements stored.
- **ISEMPTY()**: Returns a boolean value indicating if the queue is empty or not.

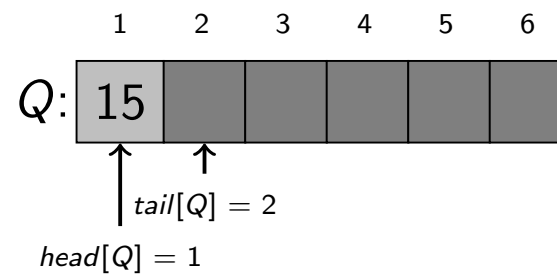


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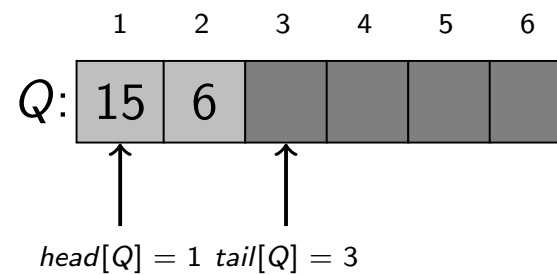
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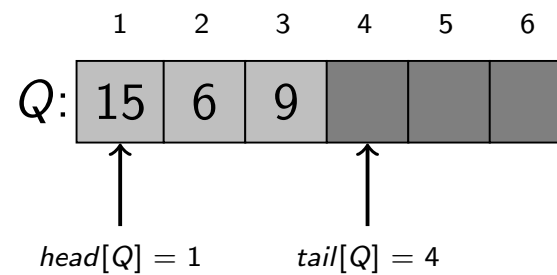
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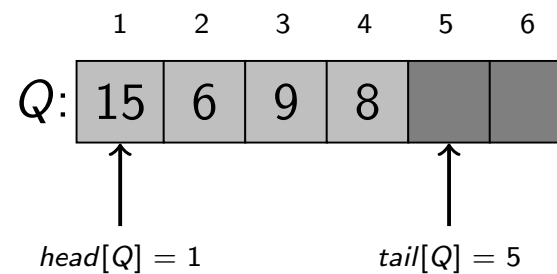
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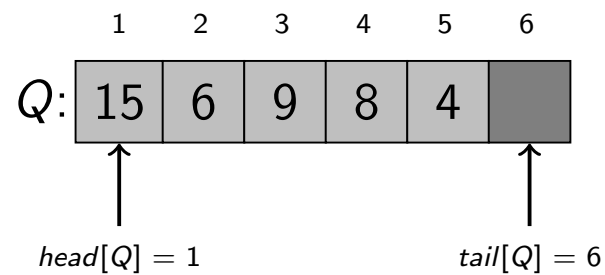
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ENQUEUE($Q, 8$):



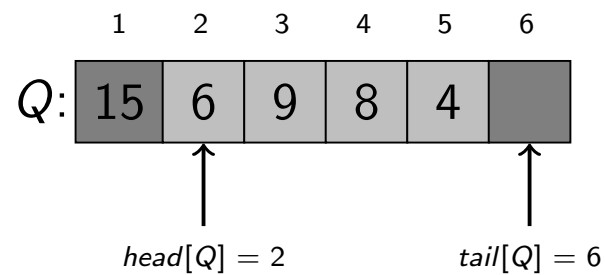
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ENQUEUE($Q, 4$):



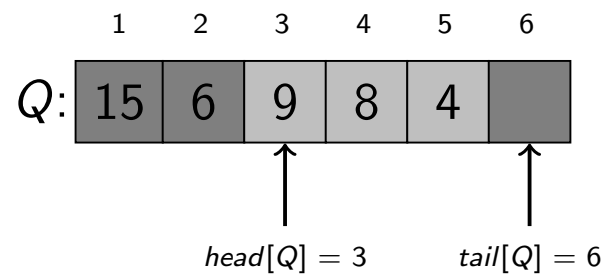
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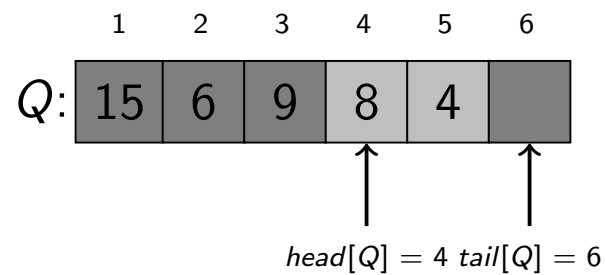
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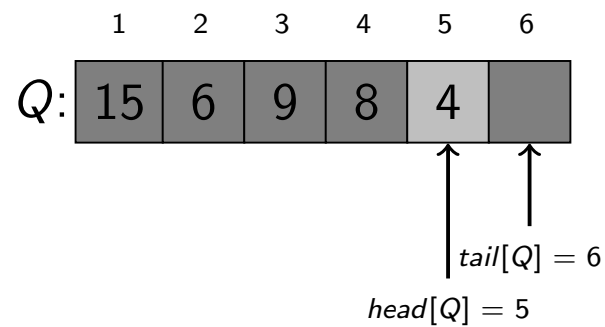
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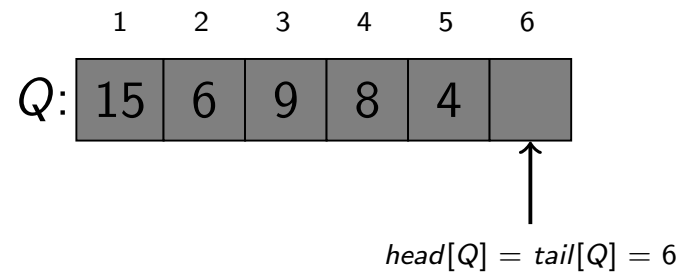
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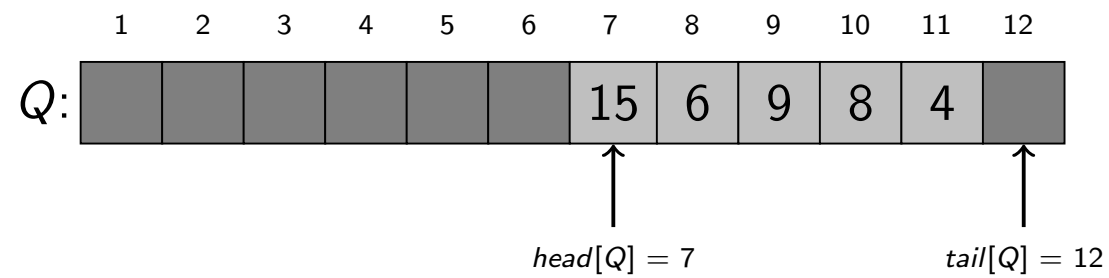
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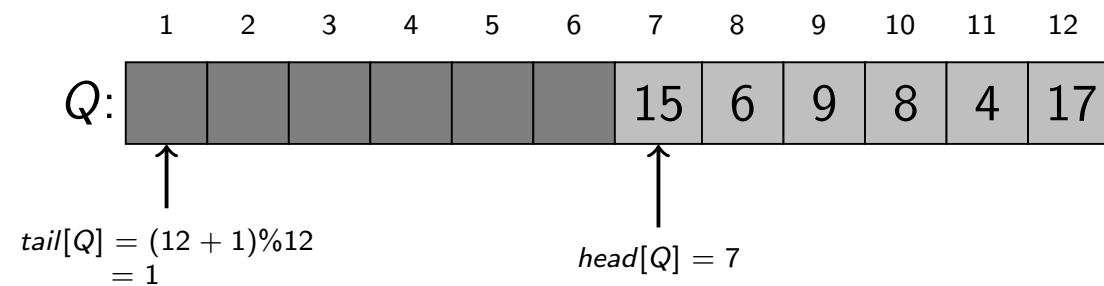
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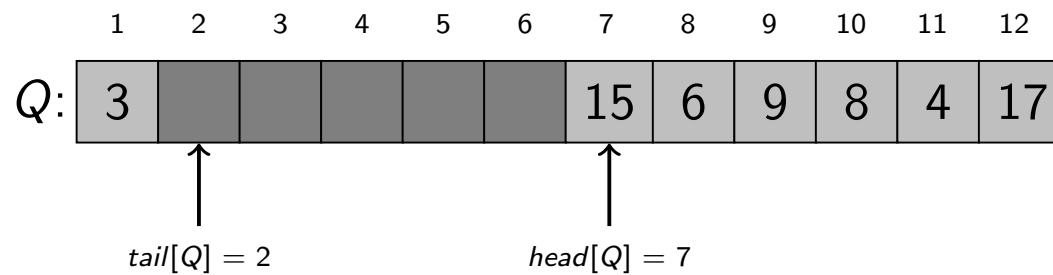
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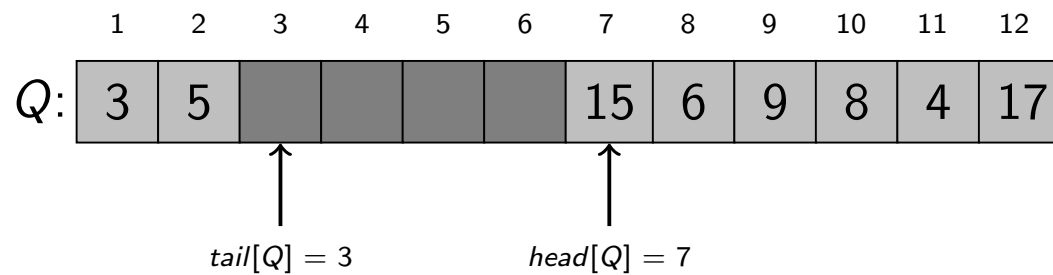
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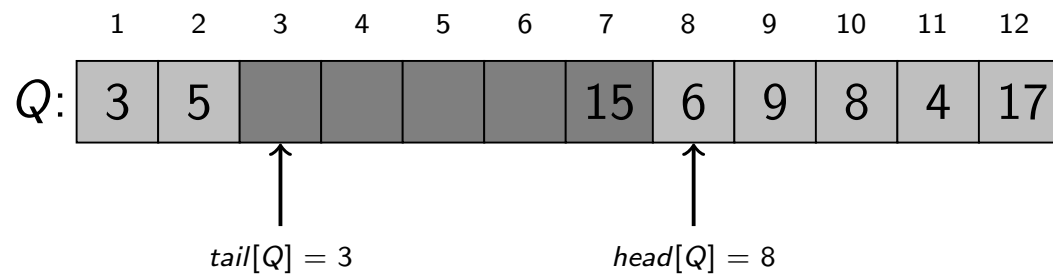
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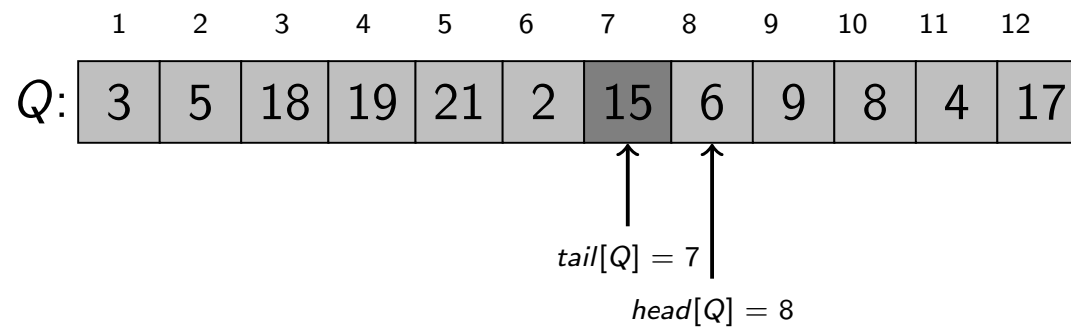
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Queue Full: $head[Q] = (tail[Q] + 1) \bmod n$.

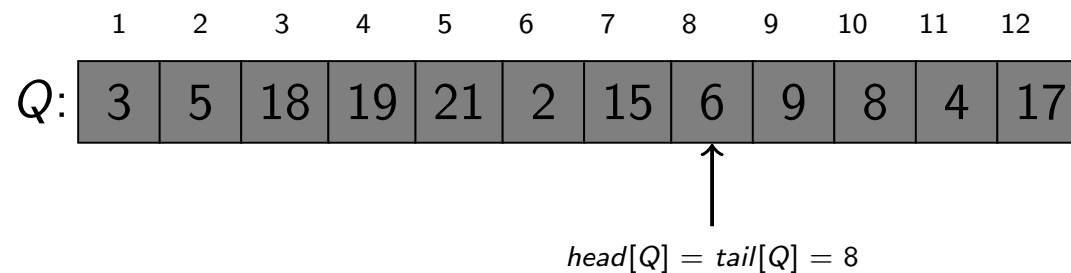
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Queue Empty: $head[Q] = tail[Q]$.

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 return “**overflow error**”

$Q[tail[Q]] \leftarrow x;$

If ($tail[Q] = length[Q]$)
 $tail[Q] \leftarrow 1;$

Else

$tail[Q] \leftarrow tail[Q] + 1;$

End

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Else
 $head[Q] \leftarrow head[Q] + 1;$

return $x;$

End

Applications of Queues

- Access to shared resources (e.g., printer).
- Simulations of real world situations of waiting lines (bank teller, flight bookings).
- To efficiently maintain a First-in-first out (FIFO) order on some entities
- In a multitasking operating system, the CPU cannot run all jobs at once, so jobs must be batched up and then scheduled according to order in a queue.
- User input in a game

A C Implementation of a Queue Using An Array

Initialization

```
/* Queue */  
int main() {  
    int head, tail;  
    int Q[len];  
  
    /* Initialisation */  
    head = tail = 0;  
    :  
    :  
}
```

ENQUEUE

Insert an element at the tail of the queue Q and redefine tail:

```
/* Enqueue */
int Enqueue(int data, int *Q) {
    /* check if queue is full or not */
    if (head == (tail + 1)% length) {
        printf("\n ERROR: Queue is full\n");
        return FLAG;
    }
    /* insert element at the tail */
    else {
        Q[tail] = data;
        tail = (tail + 1)% length;
    }
    return 0;
}
```


DEQUEUE

Delete and return the element pointed by head of the queue:

```
/* Dequeue */
int Dequeue(int *Q) {
    int x;

    if (head == tail) { // if queue is empty
        printf("\n ERROR: Queue is empty\n");
        return FLAG;
    }
    /* delete element from the head */
    else {
        x = Q[head];
        head = (head + 1)% length;
    }
    return x;
}
```

FRONT

Return the front element from the queue (if queue is not empty) but do not remove it.

```
/* prints the head of the queue */  
void Front() {  
    if (head == tail) {  
        printf("\n Q is Empty\n");  
        return FLAG;  
    }  
  
    printf("\n Front Element is: %d", Q[head]);  
    return 0;  
}
```

Exercise

Describe the output and final structure of the queue after the following operations:

- ENQUEUE(8)
- ENQUEUE(3)
- DEQUEUE()
- ENQUEUE(2)
- ENQUEUE(5)
- DEQUEUE()
- DEQUEUE()
- ENQUEUE(9)
- ENQUEUE(1)

Books Consulted

- 1 Chapter 10.1 & 10.2 of *Introduction to Algorithms* by Thomas H Cormen, Charles E Leiserson, Ronald L Rivest, Clifford Stein.

Thank You for your kind attention!

Questions!!