

Level: Easy**Implement a Queue using an array.****Questions to Clarify:**

Q. Is the size of the array fixed?

A. Yes, the array has a fixed size provided as an input.

Q. Can we assume that the Queue will store integers?

A. Yes

Solution:

Implement a circular queue in the array. Maintain 2 pointers in the array, front and back.

Add elements to the back and remove elements from front.

The trick to making it easy: maintain a length variable. This keeps the number of elements in the queue. This way, we can easily tell if the queue is full or empty.

Pseudocode:

(Note: Never write pseudocode in an actual interview. Unless you're writing a few lines quickly to plan out your solution. Your actual solution should be in a real language and use good syntax.)

front - Where the front element of the queue is - initially 0

back - Where the next element goes - initially 0

length - number of elements in the queue

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add() // also known as enqueue
    if (length == a.length)
        throw exception
    a[back] = n
    back = (back + 1) % a.length
    length ++
```

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remove() // aka dequeue
    if (length == 0)
        throw empty queue exception
    result = a[front]
    front = (front + 1) % a.length
    length--;
    return result;
```

Test Cases:

Edge Cases: Empty array, empty queue

Base Cases: Single element in queue, 2 elements in queue

Regular Cases: Queue full, general case

Time Complexity: $O(1)$ for insertion and deletion

Space Complexity: $O(1)$ extra space after the initial array

```
public class Queue {
    int[] a;

    int front;
    int back;
    int length;

    public Queue(int capacity) {
        a = new int[capacity];
        front = 0;
        back = 0;
        length = 0;
    }

    public void add(int item) throws QueueFullException {
        if (length == a.length)
            throw new QueueFullException();
        a[back] = item;
        back = (back + 1) % a.length;
        length++;
    }

    public int remove() throws QueueEmptyException {
        if (length == 0)
            throw new QueueEmptyException();
        int result = a[front];
        front = (front + 1) % a.length;
        length--;
        return result;
    }
}

/*
 * Helper Code. Ask the interviewer if they want you to implement.
 */

public class QueueFullException extends Exception {
    public QueueFullException() {
    }
}
```

```
public class QueueEmptyException extends Exception {  
    public QueueEmptyException() {  
  
    }  
}
```