

Queue Roadmap: From Basics to Mastery

1. Basics of Queues

- Introduction to Queues (FIFO)
- Queue Operations: enqueue, dequeue, peek
- Implementation using Array and LinkedList in Java

2. Types of Queues

- Circular Queue
- Double-Ended Queue (Deque)
- Priority Queue
- Blocking Queue (for concurrency)

3. Queue in Java

- Using LinkedList as Queue
- ArrayDeque vs LinkedList
- PriorityQueue usage
- Queue interface methods

4. Problem Solving Easy Level

- Implement Queue using Stacks
- Implement Stack using Queues
- Design Circular Queue
- First Unique Character in a String

5. Problem Solving Medium Level

- Sliding Window Maximum
- Rotten Oranges
- First Non-Repeating Character in Stream
- Moving Average from Data Stream

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6. Problem Solving Advanced Level

- Course Schedule (Topological Sort - Kahns Algorithm)
- Shortest Path in Binary Matrix (0-1 BFS)
- LRU Cache (using Deque + HashMap)
- Jump Game with BFS

7. Queue + Graphs (BFS)

- Level Order Traversal
- Minimum Depth of Binary Tree
- Number of Islands (BFS)
- Word Ladder

8. Mastery and Applications

- Multithreading with BlockingQueue
- Message Queues in System Design
- Real-time Task Scheduling
- Producer-Consumer Problem