



QUEUE ADT

Introduction

- *A queue is a linear data structure in which the elements are added at one end called the rear and removed from the other end called the front.*
- *A queue is called a FIFO (First-In, First-Out) data structure*
- We can explain the concept of queues using the following analogy:

People moving on an escalator. The people who got on the escalator first will be the first one to step out of it.

Introduction



IMPLEMENTATION

A queue can be implemented by two methods

- *Array Implementation of Queue*
- *Linked Implementation of Queue*

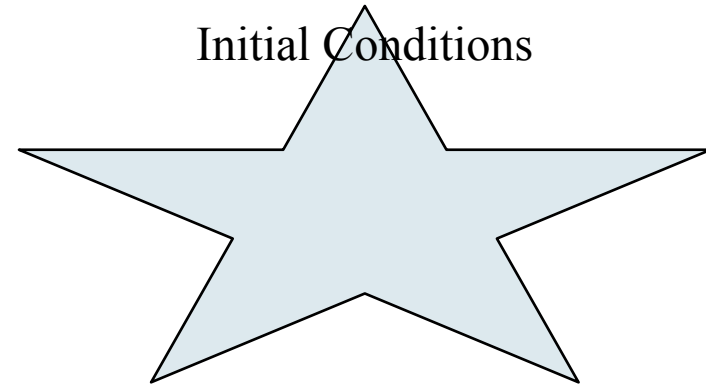
*(also called **Linked Queue**)*

Array Implementation of Queue

- Queues can be easily represented using linear arrays.
- Every queue has **FRONT** and **REAR** variables that point to the position from where **deletions and insertions** can be done, respectively

- **FRONT = REAR = -1** □ Initial Value
- **FRONT = -1 OR FRONT > REAR** □ the queue is empty
- **REAR = MAX-1** □ the queue is full

Initial Conditions



MAX = 10

11	22	55	33	88					
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

FRONT

REAR

Algorithm for Insertion Operation

ALGORITHM TO INSERT AN ELEMENT IN A QUEUE

Step 1: IF REAR = MAX-1

Write OVERFLOW

Goto step 4

[END OF IF]

Step 2: IF FRONT = -1 and REAR = -1

SET FRONT = REAR = 0

ELSE

SET REAR = REAR + 1

[END OF IF]

Step 3: SET QUEUE[REAR] = NUM

Step 4: EXIT

MAX = 10

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FRONT

REAR

Algorithm for Deletion Operation

ALGORITHM TO DELETE AN ELEMENT FROM A QUEUE

Step 1: IF FRONT = -1 OR FRONT > REAR

Write UNDERFLOW

ELSE

SET VAL = QUEUE[FRONT]

SET FRONT = FRONT + 1

[END OF IF]

Step 2: EXIT

MAX = 10

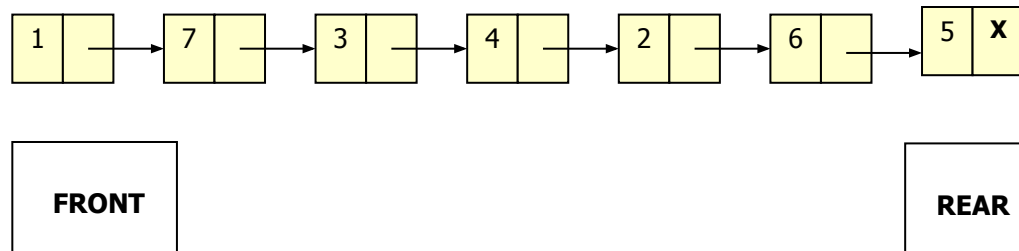
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FRONT

REAR

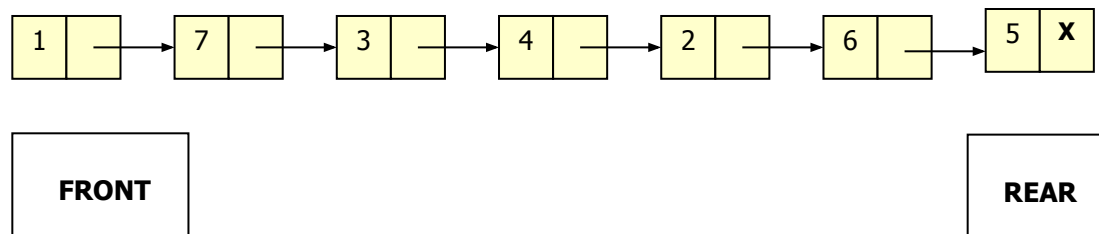
Linked Implementation of Queue (Linked Queue)

- In a linked queue, every element has two parts: one that stores data and the other that stores the address of the next element.
- The **START** pointer of the linked list is used as **FRONT**.
- Another pointer called **REAR** which will store the address of the last element in the queue.

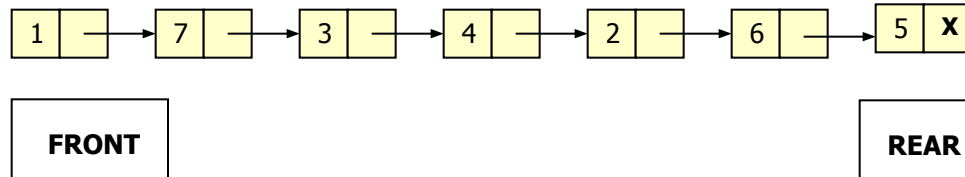


Linked Implementation of Queue (Linked Queue)

- **FRONT = REAR = NULL** – The queue is empty.
- All **insertions** will be done at the **rear end** and all the **deletions** will be done at the **front end**.
- **INSERTION** –
Insert at end in Singly Linked List
- **DELETION** –
Delete at beginning in Singly Linked List



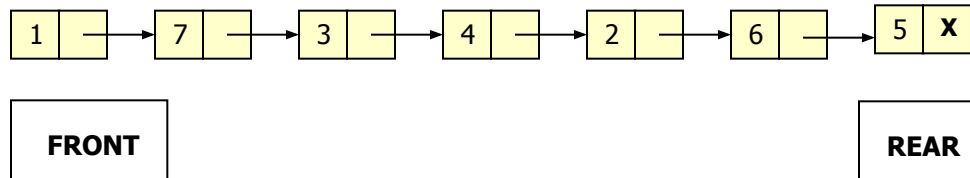
Inserting an Element in a Linked Queue



ALGORITHM TO INSERT AN ELEMENT IN A LINKED QUEUE

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Step 1: IF AVAIL = NULL, then
        Write OVERFLOW
        Go to Step 6
    [END OF IF]
Step 2: SET New_Node = AVAIL
Step 3: SET New_Node -> DATA = VAL
Step 4: SET New_Node -> NEXT = NULL
Step 5: IF FRONT = NULL, then
        SET FRONT = REAR = New_Node
    ELSE
        SET REAR -> NEXT = New_Node
        SET REAR = New_Node
    [END OF IF]
Step 6: END
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Deleting an Element from a Linked Queue



ALGORITHM TO DELETE AN ELEMENT FROM A LINKED QUEUE

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Step 1: IF FRONT = NULL, then
        Write "Underflow"
        Go to Step 5
    [END OF IF]
Step 2: SET PTR = FRONT
Step 3: FRONT = FRONT->NEXT
Step 4: FREE PTR
Step 5: END
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