

Experiments and Data

The queue size was declared as 10. A circular queue that can hold a maximum of 10 characters in the kernel was created and attached to the device `/dev/my_char_device`.

1. **Load the device**

```
cd patch
bash loadDevice.sh
```

2. **Check the device queue state using procs**

```
cat /proc/my_char_device
```

Output:

```
-----
Reads      : 0
Writes     : 0
Free Space : 10
Front      : 0
Rear       : -1
-----
```

3. **Run the tester program**

```
cd ../user_process
./tester
```

It gives options to insert and extract characters from the program.

4. **Insert 5 characters by giving the following input**

```
-----
1
abcde
-----
```

5 characters have been written into the device.

5. **Check the queue state using**

```
cat /proc/my_char_device
```

It gave the following output

```
-----
Reads      : 0
Writes     : 5
Free Space : 5
Front      : 0
Rear       : 4
-----
```

6. **Extract 3 characters and check stats again**

Give the following input to tester program

INPUT TO TESTER

2 3

OUTPUT from TESTER

a b c

Output of procfs

Reads : 3

Writes : 5

Free Space : 8

Front : 3

Rear : 4

7. **Try to write 9 more characters into the queue (only 8 free spaces are there now). Check state.**

INPUT TO TESTER

1

fghijklmn

Output of procfs

Reads : 3

Writes : 13

Free Space : 0

Front : 3

Rear : 2

We can see that only 8 more writes have taken place (5 - 13).

8. **Try to extract 11 characters from the queue (10 is the capacity). Check state.**

INPUT TO TESTER

```

-----
      2 11
-----

OUTPUT from TESTER
-----
      d e f g h i j k l m
      QUEUE EMPTY
-----

```

We can see only 10 characters were extracted.

```

Output of procfs
-----
      Reads      : 13
      Writes     : 13
      Free Space  : 10
      Front      : 0
      Rear       : -1
-----

```

9. **Unload the device**
 cd ../patch
 bash unloadDevice.sh