

Matching Tags in Markup

- this algorithm runs in $O(n)$ time
- make left → right pass thru raw string, using index j to track progress and the find method to locate ' $<$ ' or ' $>$ ' which define beginning & end of tags

def is_matched_html(raw):

$S = \text{ArrayStack}()$

$j = \text{raw.find}('<')$

 // find first $<$ (if any)

 while $j \neq -1$:

$k = \text{raw.find}('>', j+1)$

 // find next $>$

 if $k == -1$:

 return False

 // invalid tag

$\text{tag} = \text{raw}[j+1:k]$

 // strip away $< >$

 if not $\text{tag.startswith('/')}$

 // opening tag

$S.\text{push}(\text{tag})$

 else:

 // closing tag

 if $S.\text{is-empty}()$

 return False

 // nothing to match

 if $\text{tag}[1:] \neq S.\text{pop}()$:

 return False

 // mismatched delimiter

$j = \text{raw.find}('<', k+1)$

 // find next $<$ if any

 return $S.\text{is-empty}()$

 // were all tags matched?

Queues

- collection of objects inserted and removed according to FIFO principle
- elements can be inserted anytime, but only element which has been in longest can be popped off
- Queue ADT:
 - $Q.\text{enqueue}(e)$: add e to back of q
 - $Q.\text{dequeue}()$: remove longest wait