

Implementing a Queue w/ Singly-Linked List

class LinkedQueue:

class _Node:

implemented prior

def __init__(self):

self._head = None

self._tail = None

self._size = 0

def __len__(self):

return self._size

def is_empty(self):

return self._size == 0

def first(self):

if self.is_empty():

raise Empty()

return self._head._element

def dequeue(self):

if self.is_empty():

raise Empty()

answer = self._head._element

self._head = self._head._next

self._size -= 1

if self.is_empty():

self._tail = None

return answer

def enqueue(self, e):

newest = self._Node(e, None)

if self.is_empty():

self._head = newest

else:

self._tail._next = newest

self._tail = newest

self._size += 1

Circularly Linked Lists

- we can have the tail of the list use its 'next' reference to point back to the 'head' of the list; called a circularly linked list

Round-Robin Scheduler

- iterates thru collection of elements in a circular fashion and services each element by performing a given action on it
- for example: to fairly allocate a resource that is shared by a collection of clients.
- round robin scheduler can be implemented using general queue ADT by repeatedly performing the following steps on the queue:

1.) $e = Q.dequeue()$

2.) service element e

3.) $Q.enqueue(e)$