

Queue

Read: Chapter 7 of the text book.

- Stack: Last-in-first-out
- Queue: First-in-first-out; Enter the queue at the rear and remove from the front

1 Applications to use Queue data structure

- When a resource is shared among multiple consumers. Examples include CPU scheduling, Disk Scheduling.
- When data is transferred asynchronously (data not necessarily received at same rate as sent) between two processes. Examples include IO Buffers, pipes, file IO, etc.

2 Queue operations

- enqueue(*e*): Insert element *e* at the rear of the queue
- dequeue(): Remove the element at the front of the queue;
- front(): Return a reference to the front element in the queue; Do not remove this element; an error occurs if the queue is empty
- size(): Return the number of elements in the queue
- isEmpty(): Return true if the queue is empty and false otherwise

3 Implementing a queue

- MyQueue interface

```
public interface MyQueue<E> {  
    public void enqueue(E e);  
    public E dequeue();  
    public E front();  
    public int size();  
    public boolean isEmpty();  
}
```

- Implementation: LinkQueue<E>
- Implementation: ArrayQueue<E>

4 Using a queue

4.1 Basic usage

```
queue.enqueue(10);

for(int i=0;i<5;i++){
    queue.enqueue(i+1);
    queue.printQueue();
}

while(!queue.isEmpty()){
    System.out.println("dequeue="+queue.dequeue());
    queue.printQueue();
}
```

5 Double-Ended Queue Operations

- `insertFront(e)`: Insert a new element `e` at the beginning of the deque
- `insertBack(e)`: Insert a new element `e` at the end of the deque
- `eraseFront()`: Remove the first element of the deque; an error occurs if the deque is empty
- `eraseBack()`: Remove the last element of the deque; an error occurs if the deque is empty
- `front()`: Return the first element of the deque; an error occurs if the deque is empty
- `back()`: Return the last element of the deque; an error occurs if the deque is empty
- `size()`: Return the number of elements of the deque
- `isEmpty()`: Return true if the deque is empty and false otherwise

6 Java classes

- `java.util.Queue` // Generic interface
- `java.util.Deque` // Generic interface
 - A linear collection that supports element insertion and removal at both ends. The name *deque* is short for “double ended queue” and is usually pronounced “deck”.
- `LinkedList<E>`
 - Implements Deque, List, Queue, and others
 - Can be used as Stack, Queue, or Deque
 - All the operations perform as could be expected for a doubly-linked list
- `ArrayDeque<E>`
 - Implements Deque, Queue, and others
 - Resizable-array implementation

7 Summary

- Queues can be implemented using different data structures (e.g., Array, Linked list)
- Queues have many applications.
- Queue: Typical operations; Array implementation; Linked List implementation
- Deque: Typical operations; Doubly linked list implementation