Stacks and Queues



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Overview

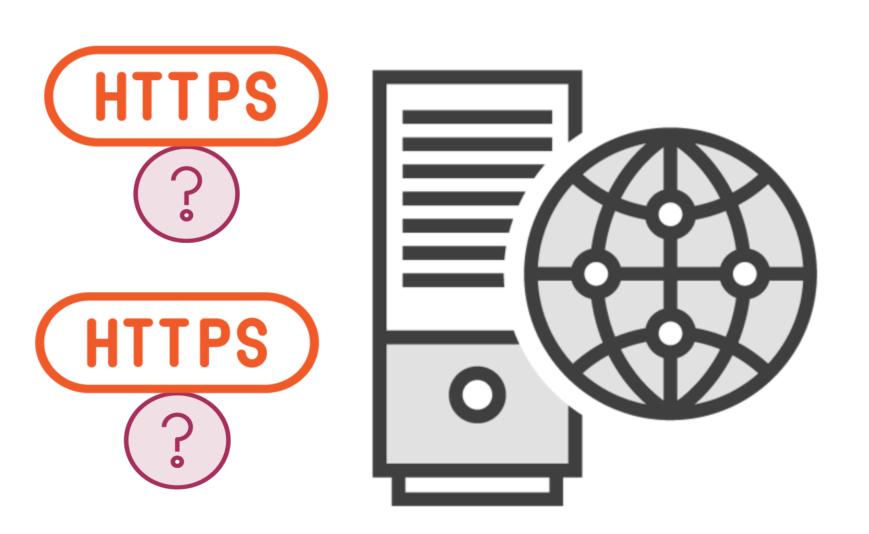


Stacks and queues

- Throughput of data
- Frequent adding/removing
- Tasks to be processed

Queues

You need Queue<T>

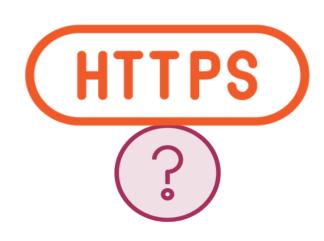


Web Page requests:

Process in order of arrival

Always choose longest waiting item for removal

Examples of Queues



Web Page requests



Customers to be served



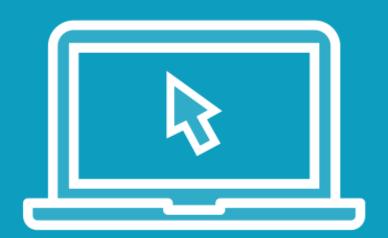
Tasks to be done



People at bus stop



Demo



Completely new console app

- Simulates people arriving at a bus stop
- Bus comes to pick them up
- Queue<T> to store list of people waiting

Terminology



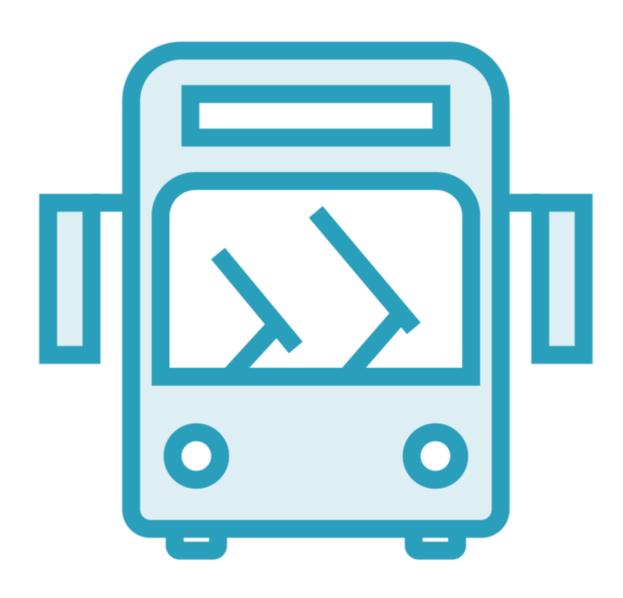


Add

Enqueue

Remove

Dequeue



Imagine bus reaches terminus, everyone gets off

- Buses are completely full
- Only passengers nearest door can get off
- People must get off in reverse order to how they got on
- Opposite order to a queue

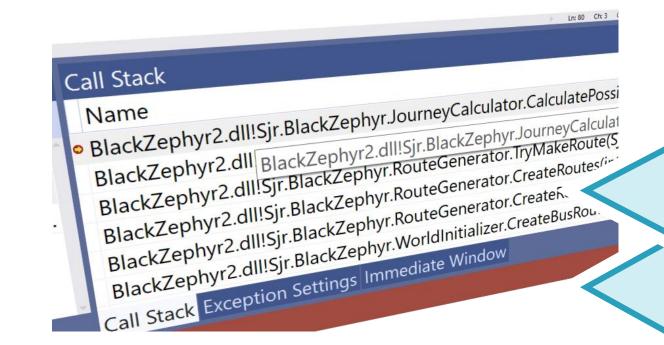
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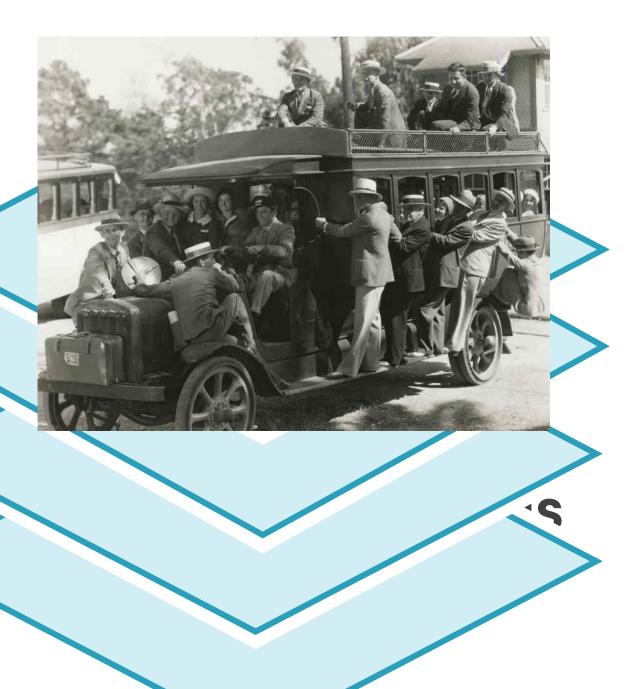
Examples of Stacks



Undo button



Call stack





Terminology







Add

Enqueue

Push

Remove

Dequeue

Pop



Summary



Queue and stack

- For frequently adding/removing
 - Processing tasks
- Collection chooses next item
 - Queue chooses longest waiting
 - Stack chooses shortest waiting



Up next: Linked lists

