Wait-free Queues with Polylogarithmic Step Complexity

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Abstract

In this work, we are going to introduce a novel lock-free queue implementation. Linearizability and lock-freedom are standard requirements for designing shared data structures. All existing linearizable, lock-free queues in the literature have a common problem in their worst case called CAS Retry Problem. Our contribution is solving this problem while outperforming the previous algorithms.

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1 Introduction

Shared data structures have become an essential field in distributed algorithms research. We are reaching the physical limits of how many transistors we can place on a CPU core. The industry solution to provide more computational power is to increase the number of cores of the CPU. This is why distributed algorithms have become important. It is not hard to see why multiple processes cannot update sequential data structures designed for one process. For example, consider two processes trying to insert some values into a sequential linked list simultaneously. Processes p, q read the same tail node, p changes the next pointer of the tail node to its new node and after that q does the same. In this run, p's update is overwritten. One solution is to use locks; whenever a process wants to do an update or query on a data structure, the process locks it, and others cannot use it until the lock is released. Using locks has some disadvantages; for example, one process might be slow, and holding a lock for a long time prevents other processes from progressing. Moreover, locks do not allow complete parallelism since only the one process holding the lock can make progress.

The question that may arise is, "What properties matter for a lock-free data structure?", since executions on a shared data structure are different from sequential ones, the correctness conditions also differ. To prove a concurrent object works perfectly, we have to show it satisfies safety and progress conditions. A *safety condition* tells us that the data structure does not return wrong responses, and a *progress property* requires that operations eventually terminate.

The standard safety condition is called *linearizability*, which ensures that for any concurrent execution on a linearizable object, each operation should appear to take effect instantaneously at some moment between its invocation and response. Figure 1 is an example of an execution on a linearizable queue that is initially empty. The arrow shows time, and each rectangle shows the time between the invocation and the termination of an operation. Since Enqueue(A) and Enqueue(B) are concurrent, Enqueue(B) may or may not take effect before Enqueue(A). The execution in Figure 2 is not linearizable since A has been enqueued before B, so it has to be dequeued first.



Figure 1: An example of a linearizable execution. Either Enqueue(A) or Enqueue(B) could take effect first since they are concurrent.

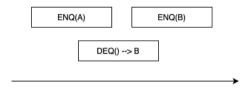


Figure 2: An example of an execution that is not linearizable. Since Enqueue(A) has completed before Enqueue(B) is invoked the Dequeue() should return A or nothing.

There are various progress properties; the strongest is wait-freedom, and the more common is lock-freedom. An algorithm is wait-free if each operation terminates after a finite number of its own steps. We call an algorithm lock-free if, after a sufficient number of steps, one operation terminates. A wait-free algorithm is also lock-free but not vice versa; in an infinite run of a lock-free algorithm there might be an operation that takes infinitely many steps but never terminates.

In section 2 we talk about previous queues and their common problems. We also talk about polylogarithmic construction of shared objects.

Jayanti [?] proved an $\Omega(\log p)$ lower bound on the worst-case shared-access time complexity of p-process universal constructions. He also introduced [?] a construction that achieves $O(\log^2 p)$ shared accesses. Here, we first introduce a universal construction using $O(\log p)$ CAS operations [?]. In section 3 we introduce a polylogarithmic step wait-free universal construction. Our main ideas in of the universal construction also appear in our Queue Algorithm (??). The main short come of our universal construction is using big CAS objects. We

use the universal construction as a stepping stone towards our queue algorithm, so we will not explain it in too much detail.

In section 4 we introduce a concurrent wait-free datastructure, to agree on the order of the operations invoked on some processes.

In section 5 we introduce our main work, the queue; prove its linearizability and wait-freeness.

2 Related Work

2.1 List-based Queues

In the following paragraphs, we look at previous lock-free queues. Michael and Scott [?] introduced a lock-free queue which we refer to as the MS-queue. A version of it is included in the standard Java Concurrency Package. Their idea is to store the queue elements in a singly-linked list (see Figure 3). Head points to the first node in the linked list that has not been dequeued, and Tail points to the last element in the queue. To insert a node into the linked list, they use atomic primitive operations like LL/SC or CAS. If p processes try to enqueue simultaneously, only one can succeed, and the others have to retry. This makes the amortized number of steps to be $\Omega(p)$ per enqueue. Similarly, dequeue can take $\Omega(p)$ steps.

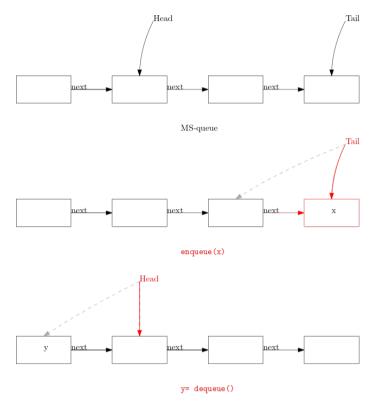


Figure 3: MS-queue structure, enqueue and dequeue operations. In the first diagram the first element has been dequeued. Red arrows show new pointers and gray dashed arrows show the old pointers.

Moir, Nussbaum, and Shalev [?] presented a more sophisticated queue by using the elimination technique. The elimination mechanism has the dual purpose of allowing operations to complete in parallel and reducing contention for the queue. An Elimination Queue consists of an MS-queue augmented with an elimination array. Elimination works by allowing opposing pairs of concurrent operations such as an enqueue and a dequeue to exchange values when the queue is empty or when concurrent operations can be linearized to empty the queue. Their algorithm makes it possible for long-running operations to eliminate an opposing operation. The empirical evaluation showed the throughput of their work is better than the MS-queue, but the worst case is still the same; in case there are p concurrent enqueues, their algorithm is not better than MS-queue.

Hoffman, Shalev, and Shavit [?] tried to make the MS-queue more parallel by introducing the Baskets Queue. Their idea is to allow more parallelism by treating the simultaneous enqueue operations as a basket. Each basket has a time interval in which all its nodes' enqueue operations overlap. Since the operations in a basket are concurrent, we can order them in any way. Enqueues in a basket try to find their order in the basket one by one by using CAS operations. However, like the previous algorithms, if there are still p concurrent enqueue operations in a basket, the amortized step complexity remains $\Omega(p)$ per operation.

Ladan-Mozes and Shavit [?] presented an Optimistic Approach to Lock-Free FIFO Queues. They use a doubly-linked list and do fewer CAS operations than MS-queue. But as before, the worst case is when there are p concurrent enqueues which have to be enqueued one by one. The amortized worst-case complexity is still $\Omega(p)$ CASes.

Hendler et al. [?] proposed a new paradigm called flat combining. Their queue is linearizable but not lock-free. Their main idea is

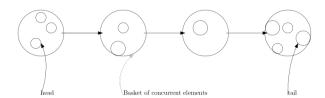


Figure 4: Baskets queue idea. There is a time that all operations in a basket were running concurrently, but only one has succeeded to do CAS. To order the operations in a basket, the mechanism in the algorithm for processes is to CAS again. The successful process will be the next one in the basket and so on.

that with knowledge of all the history of operations, it might be possible to answer queries faster than doing them one by one. In our work we also maintain the whole history. They present experiments that show their algorithm performs well in some situations.

Gidenstam, Sundell, and Tsigas [?] introduced a new algorithm using a linked list of arrays. Global head and tail pointers point to arrays containing the first and last elements in the queue. Global pointers are up to date, but head and tail pointers may be behind in time. An enqueue or a dequeue searches in the head array or tail array to find the first unmarked element or last written element (see Figure 5). Their data structure is lock-free. Still, if the head array is empty and p processes try to enqueue simultaneously, the step complexity remains $\Omega(p)$.

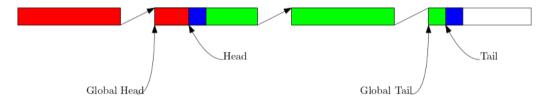


Figure 5: Global pointers point to arrays. Head and Tail elements are blue, dequeued elements are red and current elements of the queue are green.

Kogan and Petrank [?] introduced wait-free queues based on the MS-queue and use Herlihy's helping technique to achieve wait-freedom. Their step complexity is $\Omega(p)$ because of the helping mechanism.

In the worst-case step complexity of all the list-based queues discussed above, there is a p term that comes from the case all p processes try to do an enqueue simultaneously. Morrison and Afek call this the CAS retry problem [?]. It is not limited to list-based queues and array-based queues share the CAS retry problem as well [?, ?, ?] . We are focusing on seeing if we can implement a queue in sublinear steps in terms of p or not.

2.2 Universal Constructions

Herlihy discussed the possibility of implementing shared objects from other objects [?]. A universal construction is an algorithm that can implement a shared version of any given sequential object. We can implement a concurrent queue using a universal construction. Jayanti proved an $\Omega(\log p)$ lower bound on the worst-case shared-access time complexity of p-process universal constructions [?]. He also introduced a construction that achieves $O(\log^2 p)$ shared accesses [?]. His universal construction can be used to create any data structure, but its implementation is not practical because of using unreasonably large-sized CAS operations.

Ellen and Woelfel introduced an implementation of a Fetch&Inc object with step complexity of $O(\log p)$ using $O(\log n)$ -bit LL/SC objects, where n is the number of operations [?]. Their idea has similarities to Jayanti's construction, and they represent the value of the Fetch&Inc using the history of successful operations.

2.3 Attiya Fourier Lower Bound

3 Our Queue

Jayanti and Petrovic introduced a wait-free polylogarithmic multi-enqueuer single-dequeuer queue [?]. We benefit from some ideas of their work to design a a polylogarithmic multi-enqueuer multi-dequeuer queue. Our algorithm despite them does not use CAS operations with big words and does not put a limit on the number of concurrent operations. I our model there are p processes doing Enqueue() operations concurrently. We use a shared tree among the processes (see Figure 6) to agree on one total ordering on the operations invoked by processes. Each process has a leaf which the order of operations invoked by the process is stored in it. When a process wishes to do an operation it appends the operation to its leaf and then tries to propagate its new operation up to the tree's root. In each node the ordering of operations propagated up to it is stored. All processes agree on the sequence stored in the root and it is defined to be the linearization ordering.

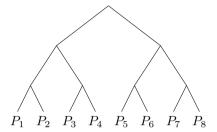


Figure 6: Each process has a leaf and in each node there is an ordering of operations stored. Each node tries to propagate its operations up to the root, which stores the total ordering of all operations.

Add sequence to nodes

We could implement the sequence stored in each node using an array of the queue operations and append some operations to the sequence by doing k-CAS operation on the end of the array. To do a propagate step on node n in the tree, we aggregate the operations from node n's both children (that have not already been propagated to n) and try to append them into n. We call this procedure Refresh(n). The main idea is that if we call Refresh(n) twice, the operations in n's children before the first Refresh(n) are guaranteed to be in n. Because if both of the Refresh(n)s fail to do n-CAS then there is another instance of Refresh() in between which has succeeded to do CAS and has already appended the operations that the first Refresh was trying to append. This mechanism makes us overcome the CAS Retry Problem.

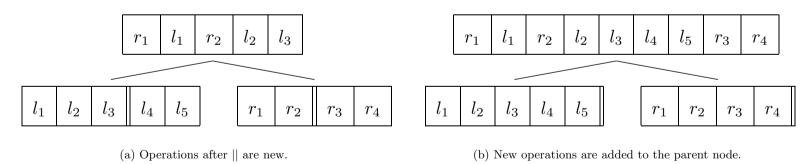


Figure 7: Before and after of a Refresh(n) with successful CAS. Operations propagating from the left child are numbered with l and from the right child by r and the operations in children after || are new.

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The solution for implementing the orderings in the tree told above is not efficient, because there are big CASes and operations information are copied all the way up to the root. Instead of storing operations explicitly in the nodes, we can keep track of some statistics of them. This allows us to CAS fixed-size objects in each Refresh(n). To do that, we introduce blocks that only contain the number of operations from the left and the right child in a Refresh() procedure and only propagate the statistics block of the new operations. In each Refresh() there is at most one operation from each process trying to be propagated, because one operation cannot

Figure 8: In each internal node, we store the set of all the operations propagated together, and one can arbitrarily linearize the sets of concurrent operations among themselves. Since we linearize operations when they are added to the root, ordering the blocks in the root is important.

invoke two operations concurrently. Furthermore since the operations in a REFRESH() step are concurrent we can linearize them among themselves in any order we wish. Note that if two operations are in read one REFRESH() step in a node they are going to be propagated up to the root together. Our choice is to put the operations propagated from the left child before the operations propagated from the right child. In this way if we know the number of operations from the left child and the number of operations from the right child in a block we have a complete ordering on the operations.

A process may wish to know the *i*th propagated operation or the rank of a propagated operation in the linearization. In our case of implementing a queue, we can make an assumption that one process only wishes to know the rank of a dequeue and one tries to get an enqueue with its rank. enqueues and dequeues are appended to the tree and when we want to find the response to a dequeue, we compute the place of the dequeue in the linearization and using the rank of the dequeue among dequeues and some information stored in the root we compute which enqueue is the answer to the dequeue or if the answer is null. If the answer was some enqueue we find the enqueue using DSearch(i) and GetENQ(n,b,i). DSearch(i) finds the block containing the *i*th enqueue in the root and GetENQ(n,b,i) finds its sub-block recursively to reach a leaf. Index() is similar but more complicated, finding super-blocks from a leaf to the root. The main challenge in each level of Get(i) and Index(op) is that it should take polylogarithmic steps with respect to p. After appending operation op to the root, processes can find out information about the linearization ordering using Get(i) and Index(op). Each block stores an extra constant amount of information (like prefix sums) to allow binary searches to find the required block in a node quickly.

Implementing Queue using Block Tree In this work, we design a queue with $O(\log^2 p + \log n)$ steps per operation, where n is the number of total operations invoked. We avoid the $\Omega(p)$ worst-case step complexity of existing shared queues based on linked lists or arrays (CAS Retry Problem). A queue stores a sequence of elements and supports two operations, enqueue and dequeue. Enqueue(e) appends element e to the sequence stored. Dequeue() removes and returns the first element among in the sequence. If the queue is empty it returns null. Knowing index i is the tail of the queue, we can return the dequeue response using Get(i). So in the rest we modify block tree to compute i for each Dequeue() to achieve a FIFO queue.

GETINDEX(i) returns the ith operation stored in the block tree sequence. We do that by finding the block b_i containing ith element in the root, and then recursively finding the subblock of b_i which contains ith element. To make this recursive search faster, instead of iterating over all elements in sequence of blocks we store prefix sum of number of elements in the blocks sequence and pointers to make BSearch faster.

Furthermore, in each block, we store the prefix sum of left and right elements. Moreover, for each block, we store two pointers to the last left and right subblock of it (see fig 11 and 10).

Starting from the root, GETINDEX(i) BSearches i in the prefix sum array to find block containing ith operation, then continues recursively calling GETELEMENT(b, i) to find ith element of block b. From lemma ?? we know a block size is at most p. So BSearch takes at most $(O)(\log p)$, since with knowing pointers of a block and its previous block we can determine the base (domain ?) to search and its size is O(p).

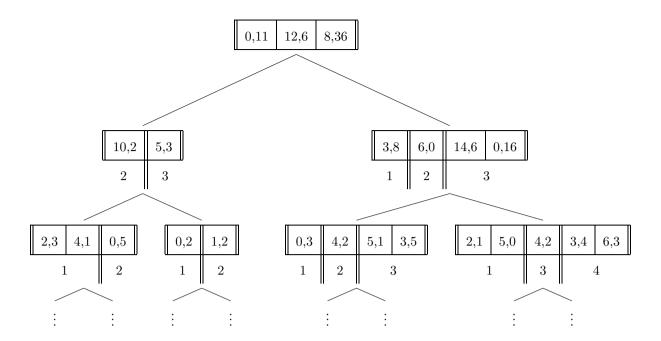


Figure 9: Showing concurrent operation sets with blocks. Each block consists of a pair(left, right) indicating the number of operations from the left and the right child, respectively. Block (12.6) in the root contains blocks (10.2) from the left child and (6.0) from the right child. Blocks between two lines || are propagated together to the parent. For example, Blocks (2.3) and (4.1) from the leftmost leaf and (0.2) from its sibling are propagated together into the block (10.2) in their parent. The number underneath a group of blocks in a node indicates which block in the node's parent those blocks were propagated to. Each block b in node n is the aggregation of blocks in the children of n that are newly read by the Propagate() step that created block b. For example, the third block in the root (8.36) is created by merging block (5.3) from the left child and (14.6) and (0.16) from the right child. Block (5.3) also points to elements from blocks (0.5) and (1.2). We choose to linearize operations in a block from the left child before those from the right child as a convention. Operations within a block of the root can be ordered in any way that is convenient. In effect, this means that if there are concurrent new blocks in a REFRESH() step from several processes we linearize them in the order of their process ids. So for example operations aggregated in block (10.2) are in the order (2.3),(4.1),(0.2). All blocks from the left child with come before the right child and the order of blocks of each child is preserved among themselves.

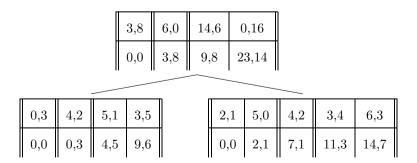


Figure 10: Using Prefix sums in blocks. When we want to find block b elements in its children, we can use binary search. The number below each block shows the count of elements in the previous blocks.

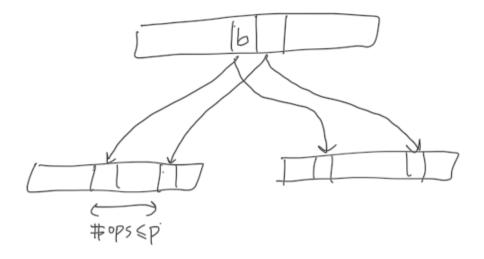


Figure 11: Block have pointers to the starting block of theirs for each child.

CreateBlock() CreateBlock(n) returns a block containing new operations of n's children. b'.end_{left} stores the index of the rightmost subblock of left child of b's previous block. Other attributes are assigned values followed by definition.

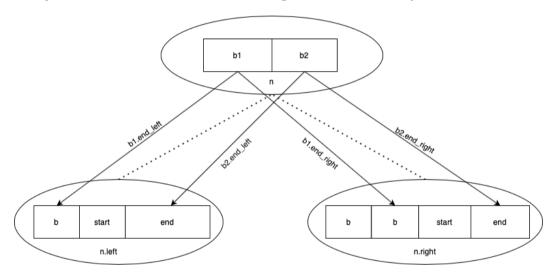


Figure 12: Snapshot of a CreateBlock()

Computing Get(n, b, i)

How Refresh(n) works.

Computing superblock

Now, we describe how to use the tree to implement a queue. Consider the following execution of operations. Enqueue(e) appends an operation with input argument e in the block tree. What should a Dequeue() return? To compute the response of a Dequeue(), process p first appends a DEQ operation to the tree. Then p finds the rank of the DEQ using Index(), the rank of the DEQ and the information stored in the root about the queue p computes the rank of the ENQ having the answer of the DEQ. Finally p returns the argument of that ENQ using Get(i).

(-)	(-)	()	(-)	()	()	()			()
ENQ(5)	ENQ(2)	DEQ()	ENQ(3)	DEQ()	DEQ()	DEQ()	ENQ(4)	ENQ(6)	DEQ()

Table 1: An example histoy of operations on the queue

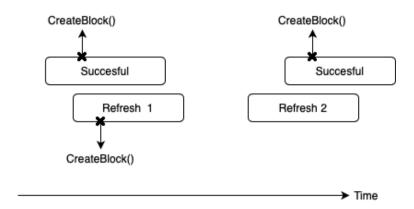


Figure 13: The second failed Refresh is assuredly concurrent to a Successful Refresh() with CreateBlock line after first failed Refresh's CreateBlock().

A non-null dequeue is one that returns a non-null value. In the example above, Dequeue() operations return 5, 2, 3, null, 4 in order. Before ENQ(4) the queue gets empty so the last DEQ() returns null. If the queue is non-empty and r Dequeue() operations have returned a non-null response, then ith Dequeue() returns the input of the r + 1th Enqueue(). So, in order to answer a Dequeue, it's sufficent to know the size of the queue and the number of previous non-null dequeues.

In the Block Tree, we did not store the sequence of operations explicitly but instead stored blocks of concurrent operations to optimize Propagate() steps and increase parallelism. So now the problem is to find the result of each Dequeue. From lemma ?? we know we can linearize operations in a block in any order; here, we choose to decide to put Enqueue operations in a block before Dequeue operations. In the next example, operations in a cell are concurrent. DEQ() operations return null, 5, 2, 1, 3, 4, null respectively. We will next describe how these values can be computed efficiently.

DEQ()	ENQ(5), ENQ(2), ENQ(1), DEQ()	ENQ(3), DEQ()	ENQ(4), DEQ(), DEQ(), DEQ()
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Table 2: An example history of operation blocks on the queue

Now, we claimed that by knowing the current size of the queue and the number of non-null dequeue operations before the current dequeue, we could compute the index of the resulting Enqueue(). We apply this approach to blocks; if we store the size of the queue after each block of operations happens and the number of non-null dequeues dequeues till a block, we can compute each dequeue's index of result in O(1) steps.

	DEQ()	ENQ(5), ENQ(2), ENQ(1), DEQ()	ENQ(3), DEQ()	ENQ(4), DEQ(), DEQ(), DEQ()
#enqueues	0	3	1	1
#dequeues	1	1	1	4
#non-null dequeues	0	1	2	5
size	0	2	2	0

Table 3: Augmented history of operation blocks on the queue

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Size and the number of non-null dequeues for bth block could be computed this way:

size[b] = max(size[b-1] +enqueues[b] -dequeues[b], 0)
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non-null dequeues[b] = non-null dequeues[b-1] +dequeues[b] -size[b-1] -enqueues[b]

Given \mathtt{DEQ} is in block b, $\mathtt{response}(\mathtt{DEQ})$ would be:

(size[b-1]- index of DEQ in the block's dequeus >=0) ? ENQ[non-null dequeus[b-1]+ index of DEQ in the block's dequeus] : null;

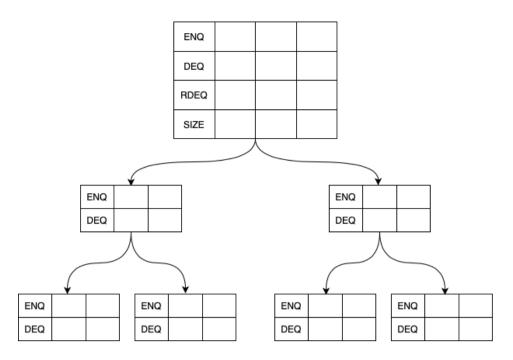


Figure 14: Fields stored in the Queue nodes.

3.1 Pseudocode description

Specification A Queue is a shared data structure that stores a sequence of elements. It has two methods Enqueue(e) and Dequeue(). Enqueue(e) adds e to the end of the sequence. Dequeue() returns the first element stored in the sequence and removes it from the sequence.

Tree In order to reach an agreement on the order of operations among p processes, we use a Tournament Tree. Leaf l_i is assigned to a process i. Each process adds op to its leaf. In each internal node an ordering of operations in its subtree is stored. All processes agree on the total ordering of all operations stored in the root. This ordering will be the linearization of the operations.

Implicit Storing Blocks For efficiency, instead of storing explicit sequence of operations in nodes of the Tournament Tree, we use Blocks. A Block is a constant size object that implicitly represents a sequence of operations. In each node there is an array of Blocks.

Block b contains subblocks in the left and right children. WLOG left subblocks of b are some consecutive blocks in the left child starting from where previous block of b has ended to the end of b. See Figure 12.

We store ordering among operations in the tournament tree constructed by nodes. In each node we store pointers to its relatives, an array of blocks and an index to the first empty block. Furthermore in leaf nodes there is an array of operations where each operation is stored in one cell with the same index in blocks. There is a counter in each node incrementing after a successful Refresh() step. It means after that some bunch of blocks in a node have propagated into the parent then the counter increases. Each new block added to a node sets its time regarding counter. This helps us to know which blocks have aggregated together to a block, not precisely though. We also store the index of the aggregated block of a block with time i in super[i].

In each block we store 4 essential stats that implicitly summarize which operations are in the block num_{enq-left}, num_{enq-right}, num_{enq-right}, num_{eqq-right}, num_{eqq-right}. In order to make BSearch()es faster we store prefix sums as well and there are some more general stats that help to make pseudocode more readable but not necessary.

To compute the head of the queue before a dequeue two more fields are stored in the root size and sum_non-null deq. size in a block shows the number of elements after the block has finished and sum_non-null deq is the total number of non-null dequeues till the block.

Enqueue(e) just appends an operation with element e to the root. Dequeue() appends an operation to the root and computes its ordering and the enqueue operation containing the head before it calling ComputeHead() and then gets and returns the operation's element.

Append(op) adds op to the invoking process's leaf's ops and blocks, propagates it up to the root and if the op is a dequeue returns

its order in residing block in the root and the block's index. As we said later Propagate() assuredly aggregates new blocks to a block in the parent by calling Refresh() two times. Refresh(n) creates a block, tries to CAS it into the pn's blocks and if it was successful updates super and counter in both of n's children.

We only want to know the element of enqueue operations and compute ordering for dequeue operations. That's the reason here Get() searches between enqueues only and Index() returns ordering of a dequeue among dequeues. Get(n, b,i) decides the requested element is in which child of n and continues to search recursively. index(n, i, b) calculates the ordering of the given operation in n's parent each step and finally returns the result among total ordering.

3.2 Pseudocode

Algorithm Tree Fields Description

♦ Shared

 A binary tree of Nodes with one leaf for each process. root is the root node.

♦ Local

- Node leaf: process's leaf in the tree.
- ► Node
 - *Node left, right, parent: initialized when creating the tree.
 - BlockList
 - int head= 1: #blocks in blocks. blocks[0] is a block with all integer fields equal to zero.
- ► Block
 - int super : approximate index of the superblock, read from parent.head when appending the block to the node
- ► LeafBlock extends Block
 - Object element: Each block in a leaf represents a single operation. If the operation is enqueue(x) then element=x, otherwise element=null.
 - ullet int $\mathrm{sum}_{\mathrm{enq}}$, $\mathrm{sum}_{\mathrm{deq}}$: # enqueue, dequeue operations in the prefix for the block

▶ InternalBlock extends Block

- ullet int end_{left}, end_{right}: indices of the last subblock of the block in the left and right child
- int sum_{enq-left}: # enqueue operations in the prefix for left.blocks[end_{left}]
- int sum_{deq-left}: # dequeue operations in the prefix for left.blocks[end_{left}]
- int sum_{enq-right}: # enqueue operations in the prefix for right.blocks[end_{right}]
- int sum_deq-right : # dequeue operations in the prefix for right.blocks[end_right]
- ► RootBlock extends InternalBlock
 - int size : size of the queue after performing all operations in the prefix for this block

Abbreviations:

- $\bullet \ blocks[b].sum_x = blocks[b].sum_{x-left} + blocks[b].sum_{x-right} \quad (\text{for } b \geq 0 \ \text{and} \ x \ \in \ \{enq, \ deq\})$
- $\bullet \ blocks[b].sum=blocks[b].sum_{enq} + blocks[b].sum_{deq} \ \ (for \ b{\ge}0) \\$
- blocks[b].num_x=blocks[b].sum_x-blocks[b-1].sum_x (for b>0 and $x \in \{\emptyset, enq, deq, enq-left, enq-right, deq-left, deq-right\})$

Algorithm Queue

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201: void Enqueue(Object e) ▷ Creates a block with element e and adds it to 218: <int, int> FindResponse(int b, int i)
                                                                                                                    \triangleright Returns the the response to the D_{root,b,i}.
202:
                                                                                 219:
         block newBlock= NEW(LeafBlock)
                                                                                          if root.blocks[b-1].size + root.blocks[b].num_{enq} - i < 0 then
203:
         newBlock.element= e
                                                                                 220:
                                                                                             return null
                                                                                                                                 \triangleright Check if the queue is empty.
204:
         newBlock.sumenq= leaf.blocks[leaf.head].sumenq+1
                                                                                 221:
                                                                                          else
         newBlock.sum_deq = leaf.blocks[leaf.head].sum_deq
205:
                                                                                             e= i - root.blocks[b-1].size + root.blocks[b-1].sum<sub>enq</sub>
                                                                                 222:
206:
         leaf.Append(newBlock)
                                                                                                                                     \triangleright E_e(root) is the response.
207: end ENQUEUE
                                                                                 223:
                                                                                             return root.GetENQ(root.DSEARCH(e, b))
                                                                                 224:
                                                                                          end if
208: Object Dequeue() ▷ Creates a block with null value element, appends it 225: end FindResponse
    to the tree, computes its order among operations, and returns its response.
209:
         block newBlock= NEW(LeafBlock)
210:
         newBlock.element= null
211:
         newBlock.sumenq = leaf.blocks[leaf.head].sumenq
         newBlock.sum<sub>deq</sub>= leaf.blocks[leaf.head].sum<sub>deq</sub>+1
212:
213:
         leaf.Append(newBlock)
214:
         <b, i>= INDEXDEQ(leaf.head, 1)
215:
         output= FINDRESPONSE(b, i)
216:
         return output
217: end Dequeue
```

Algorithm BlockList

 ${\tt \triangleright}: {\tt Supports\ two\ operations\ blocks.tryAppend(Block\ b),\ blocks[i].\ Initially\ empty,\ when\ blocks.tryAppend(b, blocks[i])}$

n) returns true b is appended to blocks[n] and blocks[i] returns ith block in the blocks. If some instance of blocks.tryAppend(b, n) returns false there is a concurrent instance of blocks.tryAppend(b', n) which has returned true.blocks[0] contains an empty block with all fields equal to 0 and endleft, endright pointers to the first block of the corresponding children.

block[] blocks: array of blocks

701: boolean TRYAPPEND(block blk, int n)
702: return CAS(blocks[n], null, blk)

703: end TryAppend

Algorithm Node

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301: void Propagate()
                                                                                       → Precondition: blocks[start..end] contains a block with field f > i
         if not Refresh() then
                                                                                  329: int BSEARCH(field f, int i, int start, int end)
302:
            Refresh()
303:
                                                                                                                                ▷ Does binary search for the value
         end if
                                                                                       i of the given prefix sum field. Returns the index of the leftmost block in
304:
305:
         if this is not root then
                                                                                       blocks[start..end] whose field f is \geq i.
                                                                                  330: end BSearch
306:
            parent.Propagate()
307:
         end if
308: end Propagate
                                                                                  331: <Block, int, int> CreateBlock(int i) ▷ Creates and returns the block
                                                                                       to be inserted as ith block in blocks.
309: boolean Refresh()
                                                                                  332:
                                                                                           block newBlock= NEW(block)
                                                                                           for each dir in {left, right} do
310:
         h= head
                                                                                  333:
         for each dir in \{{\tt left,\ right}\} do
311:
                                                                                  334:
                                                                                               index<sub>last</sub>= dir.head-1
            h<sub>dir</sub>= dir.head
                                                                                               index_{prev} = blocks[i-1].end_{dir}
312:
                                                                                  335:
            if dir.blocks[hdir]!=null then
                                                                                               {\tt newBlock.end_{dir}=\ index_{last}}
313:
                                                                                  336:
314:
                dir.Advance(h<sub>dir</sub>, h)
                                                                                  337:
                                                                                               block_{last} = dir.blocks[index_{last}]
315:
            end if
                                                                                  338:
                                                                                               blockprev= dir.blocks[indexprev]
316:
         end for
                                                                                  339:
                                                                                                        \triangleright newBlock includes dir.blocks[index<sub>prev</sub>+1..index<sub>last</sub>].
         new= CREATEBLOCK(h)
317:
                                                                                  340:
                                                                                               newBlock.sumenq-dir= blocks[i-1].sumenq-dir + blocklast.sumenq
318:
         if new.num==0 then return true
                                                                                       - blockprev.sumenq
319:
                                                                                  341:
                                                                                               newBlock.sum_deq-dir = blocks[i-1].sum_deq-dir + block_last.sum_deq
         result= blocks[h].CAS(null, new)
320:
                                                                                       - blockprev.sumdeq
                                                                                           end for
321:
         h_p= parent.head
                                                                                  342:
         this.Advance(h, h_p)
322:
                                                                                  343:
                                                                                           if this is root then
                                                                                               newBlock.size = max(root.blocks[i-1].size + newBlock.numenq
323:
         return result
                                                                                  344:
324: end Refresh
                                                                                       - newBlock.num<sub>deq</sub>, 0)
                                                                                  345:
                                                                                           end if
325: void ADVANCE(int h, int hp)
                                                                                           return <b, npleft, npright>
326:
         blocks[h].super.CAS(null, hp)
                                                                                  347: end CreateBlock
327:
        head.CAS(h, h+1)
328: end Advance
```

Algorithm Root

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\rightsquigarrow Precondition: root.blocks[end].sum<sub>enq</sub> \geq e
801: <int, int> DSEARCH(int e, int end)
                                                                                                                                               \triangleright Returns <b, i> if E_e(root) = E_i(root, b).
          start= end-1
802:
803:
          \mathbf{while} \; \mathtt{root.blocks[start].sum}_{\mathtt{enq}} {\geq} e \; \mathbf{do}
              start= max(start-(end-start), 0)
804:
805:
          end while
806:
          b= root.BSearch(sum<sub>enq</sub>, e, start, end)
807:
          i= e- root.blocks[b-1].sumenq
808:
          return <b,i>
809: end DSEARCH
```

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Algorithm Node
     \rightsquigarrow Precondition: blocks[b].num<sub>enq</sub>\geqi\geq1
401: element GETENQ(int b, int i)
                                                                                                                                        \triangleright Returns the element of E_i(this, b).
         if this is leaf then
402:
             return blocks[b].element
403:
         else if i \leq blocks[b].numenq-left then
                                                                                                                                \triangleright E_i(this, b) is in the left child of this node.
404:
             \verb|subBlock= left.BSEARCH(sum_{enq}, i+blocks[b-1].sum_{enq-left}, blocks[b-1].end_{left}+1, blocks[b].end_{left})| \\
405:
406:
             return left.GetEnQ(subBlock, i)
407:
         else
408:
             i= i-blocks[b].numenq-left
409:
             subBlock= right.BSEARCH(sumenq, i+right.blocks[b-1].sumenq-right, blocks[b-1].endright+1, blocks[b].endright)
410:
             return right.GetEnq(subBlock, i)
411:
         end if
412: end GETENO
     \leadsto Precondition: bth block of the node has propagated up to the root and blocks[b].num_{enq} \ge i.
413: <int, int> INDEXDEQ(int b, int i)
                                                                                                                                  \triangleright Returns <x, y> if D_{this,b,i} = D_{root,x,y}.
414:
         if this is root then
415:
             return <b, i>
416:
         else
417:
             dir= (parent.left==n)? left: right
                                                                                                                                \triangleright check if this node is a left or a right child
             superBlock= parent.BSEARCH(sum_deq-dir, i+blocks[b-1].sum_deq, blocks[b].super-2, blocks[b].super+2)
418:
                                                                                         \triangleright superblock's group has at most p difference with the value stored in super[].
419:
             if dir is left then
                 i+= blocks[b-1].sum<sub>enq</sub>-blocks[superBlock-1].sum<sub>enq-left</sub>
420:
                                                                                                       \triangleright consider the enqueues in the previous blocks from the left child
421:
             end if
422:
             if dir is right then
423:
                 i+= blocks[b-1].sum<sub>enq</sub>-blocks[superBlock-1].sum<sub>enq-right</sub>
                                                                                                      \triangleright consider the enqueues in the previous blocks from the right child
424:
                 i+= blocks[superBlock].numdeq-left
                                                                                                                               \triangleright consider the dequeues from the right child
425:
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Algorithm Leaf 601: void APPEND(block blk) > Append is only called by the owner of the leaf. 602: blk.group= head 603: blocks[head]= blk 604: head+=1 605: parent.PROPAGATE() 606: end APPEND

return this.parent.IndexDeq(superBlock, i)

426: 427:

427: end if 428: end INDEXDEQ

4 Proof of Correctness

To prove a shared data structure works correctly it is sufficient to show it is linearizable. In our case which we create the linearization ordering in the root, we need to prove the ordering is legal i.e for every execution on our queue if operation op_1 terminates before operation op_2 then op_1 is linearized before operation op_2 and if we do the linearization ordering created on a sequential queue we get the same results as our queue. The proof is structured like this. First we define and prove some facts about blocks and node's head properties. Then we introduce the linearization ordering formally. Then we prove double Refresh on a node is enough to propagate children's new operations up to the node. After this we prove some claims about the size of each block. Having propagates working in a wait-free manner then we prove the correctness of DSearch() and GetENQ() and IndexDEQ. Having these two main methods we prove the way we compute the response of a dequeue is correct and finally we prove the linearizability.

A block is an object storing some statistics, as described in Algorithm Queue. A block in a node's blocklist implicitly represents a set of operations.

Definition 1 (Ordering of a block in a node). Let b be $\mathtt{n.blocks}[i]$ and b' be $\mathtt{n.blocks}[j]$. We call i the index of block b. Block b is before block b' in node \mathtt{n} if and only if i < j. We define the prefix for b, to be the blocks in the $\mathtt{n.blocks}[0..i]$.

Next we show that head in a node can only be increased and when a Refresh terminates head is incremented by the process itself or maybe helped by another process.

Observation 2. head is non-decreasing over time.

Proof. The claim follows trivially from the code since head is only changed by incrementing in Line 327 of Advance(). □

Lemma 3 (head Increment). Let R be an instance of Refresh on node n. After R terminates n.head is greater than the value read in line 310 of R.

Proof. If the CAS in Line 327 is successful then the claim holds. Otherwise it has changed from the value that was read in Line 310, which by Observation 2 it means another process has incremented the head.

Now we show n.blocks[n.head] is the last block written into n or the first empty block in n.

Invariant 4 (headPosition). If the value of n.head is h then n.blocks[i] = null for i > h and n.blocks[i] \neq null for i < h.

Proof. The invariant is true initially since 1 is assigned to n.head and n.blocks[x] is null for every x > 0. The truth of the invariant may be affected by writing into n.blocks or incrementing n.head. We show the invariant still holds after these two changes.

In the algorithm, n.blocks is modified only on Line 320 which updates n.blocks[h] for h read from n.head in Line 310.Note that since the CAS in Line 320 is successful it means n.head has not changed from h till doing the CAS. Writing into n.blocks[n.head] preserves the invariant, since the claim does not talk about the content of n.blocks[n.head].

The value of n.head is modified only in Line 327. If n.head is incremented to h + 1 it is sufficient to show n.blocks $[h] \neq \text{null}$. When a process does Line 327 it means Line 320 was finished which either case it is successful or not it means n.blocks[h] is not null anymore.

The next lemma is used to prove the subblocks of two blocks in a node are disjoint. (I can't say its use without mentioning subblocks)

 $\textbf{Lemma 5} \; (\text{headProgress}). \; \textit{If} \; \texttt{n.blocks} \; [i] \neq \texttt{null} \; \textit{and} \; i > 0 \; \textit{then} \; \texttt{n.blocks} \; [i] \; . \; \texttt{end}_{\texttt{left}} \geq \texttt{n.blocks} \; [i-1] \; . \; \texttt{end}_{\texttt{left}} \; \textit{and} \; \texttt{n.blocks} \; [i] \; . \; \texttt{end}_{\texttt{right}} \geq \texttt{n.blocks} \; [i-1] \; . \; \texttt{end}_{\texttt{right}}.$

Proof. Consider the block b written into n.blocks[i] by CAS at Line 320. b is created by the CreateBlock(i) called at Line 317. Prior to this call to CreateBlock(i), n.head = i at Line 310, so n.blocks[i-1] is already a non-null value b' by Invariant 4. Thus, the CreateBlock(i) that created b' terminated before the CreateBlock(i) that creates b is invoked. The value written

into $b.\mathtt{end}_\mathtt{left}$ at Line 336 of CreateBlock(i) was minus one of the value read at Line 334 of CreateBlock(i). Similarly, the value in $\mathtt{n.blocks}[i-1].\mathtt{end}_\mathtt{left}$ was minus one of the value read from $\mathtt{n.left.head}-1$ during the call to CreateBlock(i-1). As by Observation 2 $\mathtt{n.left.head}$ is non-decreasing, $b'.\mathtt{end}_\mathtt{left} \leq b.\mathtt{end}_\mathtt{left}$. The proof for $\mathtt{end}_\mathtt{right}$ is similar.

We define the subblocks of a block recursively.

Definition 6 (Subblock). A block is a direct subblock of ith block in node n if it is in n.left.blocks [n.blocks [i-1].end_{left}+1..n.blocks [i].end_{left} or in n.right.blocks [n.blocks [i-1].end_{right}+1..n.blocks [i].end_{right}]. Block b is a subblock of block c if b is a direct subblock of c or a subblock of a direct subblock of c. We say block b is propagated to node node b if b is in b is in b is in b is a subblock of a block in b in b is in b.blocks.

Lemma 7. Subblocks of any two blocks in node n does not overlap.

Proof. We are going to prove by contradiction. Assume subblocks of n.blocks[i] and n.blocks[j] overlap which i < j. Without loss of generality assume left child subblocks of n.blocks[i] overlap with the left child subblocks of n.blocks[j]. Direct left subblocks of n.blocks[i] and n.blocks[j] cannot overlap. Because of Lemma 5 we have n.blocks[i-1]. $end_{left} \le n.blocks[j]$. $end_{left} \le n.blocks[j-1]$. $end_{left} \le n.blocks[j]$. Since the tree height is finite we can go lower in the tree to reach a node that direct subblocks of two different blocks in a node overlap.

We define the operations of a block using the definition of subblocks.

Definition 8 (Operations of a block). A block b in a leaf represents an Enqueue(e) if $b.element = e \neq null$ otherwise, if b.element = null, b represents a Dequeue(). The set of operations of block b is the union set of the operations in subblocks of b. We denote the set of operations of block b by ops(b). We also say b contains op if opeops(b).

Definition 9 (Superblock). Block b is *superblock* of block c if c is a direct subblock of b.

Corollary 10. Every block has at most one superblock.

Proof. A block having more than one superblock is contradictory with Lemma 7.

Operations are distinct Enqueue(e) or Dequeue()s invoked by processes. Next lemma proves that each operation appears once in the blocks of a node.

Lemma 11 (No Duplicates). If op is in n.blocks[i] then there is no $j \neq i$ such that op is in ops(n.blocks[j]).

Proof. We prove this claim using Corollary 7. Assume op is in the subblocks of both n.blocks[i] and n.blocks[j]. From Corollary 7 we know these blocks are different. So the leaf blocks containing op are different, but since we assumed operations are distinctive it means one operation cannot be invoked two times. This leads us to contradictory with the hypothesis.

Definition 12. n.blocks[i] is established at time t if n.head > i. $EST_{n,t}$ is the set of established blocks of node \mathbf{n} at time t.

Now we want to say block of a node grow over time.

Corollary 13 (Growing blocks). If time $t < time\ t'$, then ops(n.blocks) at time $t \subseteq ops(n.blocks)$ at time t'.

Proof. Blocks are only appended (not modified) with CAS to n.blocks[n.head] and n.head is non-decreasing, so the set of blocks of a node contains the the set of blocks before the CAS.

 $\textbf{Corollary 14} \ (established Order). \ \textit{If time } t < \textit{time } t', \textit{then } \texttt{ops(EST}_{n, \ t'}) \subseteq \texttt{ops(EST}_{n, \ t'}).$

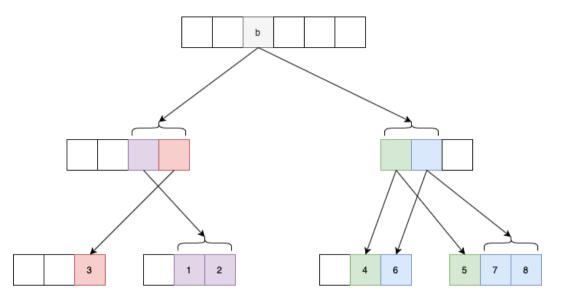


Figure 15: Order of operations in b: operations in leaves are ordered with numerical order in the drawing.

Now we define the ordering store in each node. In the non-root nodes we only need ordering of operations of a type among themselves. Processes are numbered from 1 to p and leaves of the tree are assigned from left to right. We will show in Lemma 25 that there is at most one operation from each process in a given block.

Definition 15 (Ordering of operations inside the nodes). • E(n,b) is the sequence of enqueue operations in ops(n.blocks[b]) defined recursively as follows. E(leaf,b) is the single enqueue operation in ops(leaf.blocks[b]) or an empty sequence if $leaf.blocks[b].num_{enq} = 0$. If n is an internal node, then

$$E(n,b) = E(n.left, n.blocks[b-1].end_{left} + 1) \cdot E(n.left, n.blocks[b-1].end_{left} + 2) \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot E(n.left, n.blocks[b].end_{left}) \cdot \\ E(n.right, n.blocks[b-1].end_{right} + 1) \cdot E(n.right, n.blocks[b-1].end_{right} + 2) \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot E(n.right, n.blocks[b].end_{right}) \cdot \\ E(n.right, n.blocks[b-1].end_{right} + 1) \cdot E(n.right, n.blocks[b-1].end_{right} + 2) \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot E(n.right, n.blocks[b].end_{right}) \cdot \\ E(n.right, n.blocks[b-1].end_{right} + 1) \cdot E(n.right, n.blocks[b-1].end_{right} + 2) \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot E(n.right, n.blocks[b].end_{right}) \cdot \\ E(n.right, n.blocks[b-1].end_{right} + 1) \cdot E(n.right, n.blocks[b-1].end_{right} + 2) \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot E(n.right, n.blocks[b].end_{right}) \cdot \\ E(n.right, n.blocks[b-1].end_{right} + 1) \cdot E(n.right, n.blocks[b-1].end_{right} + 2) \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot E(n.right, n.blocks[b].end_{right}) \cdot \\ E(n.right, n.blocks[b-1].end_{right} + 1) \cdot E(n.right, n.blocks[b].end_{right}) \cdot \\ E(n.right, n.blocks[b].end_{right} + 1) \cdot E(n.right, n.blocks[b].end_{right}) \cdot \\ E(n.right, n.blocks[b].end_{right} + 1) \cdot E(n.right, n.blocks[b].end_{right}) \cdot \\ E(n.right, n.blocks[b].end_{right} + 1) \cdot E(n.right, n.blocks[b].end_{right}) \cdot \\ E(n.right, n.blocks[b].end_{right} + 1) \cdot E(n.right, n.blocks[b].end_{right}) \cdot \\ E(n.right, n.blocks[b].end_{right} + 1) \cdot E(n.right, n.blocks[b].end_{right}) \cdot \\ E(n.right, n.blocks[b].end_{right} + 1) \cdot E(n.right, n.blocks[b].end_{right} + 1) \cdot \cdot \cdot \\ E(n.right, n.blocks[b].end_{right} + 1) \cdot \cdot \\ E(n.right, n.blocks[b].end_{right} + 1) \cdot \cdot \cdot \\ E(n.right, n.blocks[b].end_{rig$$

- $E_i(n,b)$ is the *i*th enqueue in E(n,b).
- The order of the enqueue operations in the node n is $E(n) = E(n,1) \cdot E(n,2) \cdot E(n,3) \cdots$
- $E_i(n)$ is the *i*th enqueue in E(n).
- D(n,b) is the sequence of dequeue operations in ops(n.blocks[b]) defined recursively as follows. D(leaf,b) is the single dequeue operation in ops(leaf.blocks[b]) or an empty sequence if $leaf.blocks[b].num_{deq} = 0$. If n is an internal node, then

$$D(n,b) = D(n.left, n.blocks[b-1].end_{left} + 1) \cdot D(n.left, n.blocks[b-1].end_{left} + 2) \cdot \cdot \cdot D(n.left, n.blocks[b].end_{left}) \cdot \\ D(n.right, n.blocks[b-1].end_{right} + 1) \cdot D(n.right, n.blocks[b-1].end_{right} + 2) \cdot \cdot \cdot D(n.right, n.blocks[b].end_{right}) \cdot D(n.right, n.blocks[b-1].end_{right}) \cdot D(n.right, n.blocks$$

- $D_i(n,b)$ is the *i*th enqueue in D(n,b).
- The order of the dequeue operations in the node n: $D(n) = D(n,1) \cdot D(n,2) \cdot D(n,3)...$
- $D_i(n)$ is the *i*th dequeue in D(n).

Definition 16 (Linearization). L = E(root, 1).D(root, 1).E(root, 2).D(root, 2).E(root, 3).D(root, 3)...

Definition 17. Let ^{op}t be the time op is invoked and t^{op} be the time op terminates. $_{l}t$ is the immediate time before running Line l. t_{l} is the immediate time after running Line l. $^{op}t_{l}$ is the immediate time before running Line l of operation op. t_{l}^{op} is the immediate time after running Line l of operation op. v_{l} is the value of v immediately before line l for the process we are talking about.

Definition 18. An instance of Refresh() is *successful* if its CAS in Line 320 returns true. If a successful instance of Refresh() terminates, we say it is *complete*.

In the next Lemmas we show for every Refresh() that has has successful CAS in Line 320, all the established operations in the children before the Refresh are going to be established in the parent after the Refresh.

Lemma 19 (trueRefresh). If R is a successful instance n.Refresh(), then we have $ops(EST_{n.left,R_t}) \cup ops(EST_{n.right,R_t}) \subseteq ops(n.blocks_{t_{320}^R})$.

Proof. We show $ops(EST_{n.left,R_t}) = ops(n.left.blocks[0..n.left.head_{309} - 1]) \subseteq ops(n.blocks_{320}) = ops(n.blocks[0..n.head_{321}])$.

As CAS in Line 320 returns true the block new is written into $n.blocks[n.head_{310}]$. By the Definition 6 for the Subblock the block new contains $n.left.blocks[n.head_{310} - 1].end_{left} + 1...left.head_{334} - 1]$ (see Lines 335 and 334). After the successful CAS in Line 320 we know all blocks in $n.left.blocks[0..n.left.head_{334} - 1]$ are subblocks of $n.blocks[0..n.head_{310}]$. Because of the Lemma 2 we have, $n.left.head_{309} - 1 < n.left.head_{334} - 1$ and $n.head_{310} < n.head_{321}$. From Lemma 14 the inequality we proved is stronger than what we wanted to prove (TODO: make the lemma 13 claim more general, if time passes n.blocks grows). The proof for the right child is the same.

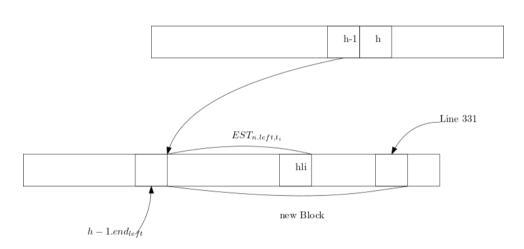


Figure 16: New established operations of the left child are in the new block. (TO UPDATE)

Corollary 20 (Weak True Refresh). If R is a complete instance n.Refresh(), then we have $ops(EST_{\mathtt{n.left},Rt}) \cup ops(EST_{\mathtt{n.right},Rt}) \subseteq ops(EST_{\mathtt{n.teft},Rt})$.

Proof. The left side is the same as the Lemma 19, so it is sufficient to show when R terminates established blocks in n are super set of n.blocks after the Line 320. Because of Lemma 3 we are sure that the n.head is incremented after line 327. So the new block appended to n is established at t^R .

Lemma 21 (Double Refresh). Consider two consecutive instances R_1 , R_2 of Refresh() on internal node n by a process p. If R_1 and R_2 both fail and return false, then we have $\operatorname{ops}(\mathsf{EST}_{\mathsf{n.left}}, \mathsf{nt}) \cup \operatorname{ops}(\mathsf{EST}_{\mathsf{n.right}}, \mathsf{nt}) \subseteq \operatorname{ops}(\mathsf{EST}_{\mathsf{n}}, \mathsf{t}_{\mathsf{R}^2})$.

Proof.

If R_2 reads some value greater than i+1 in Line 310 it means a successful instance of Refresh() performed its Line 310 after $t_{310}^{R_1}$ and finished its Line ?? or ?? before $t_{310}^{R_2}$, from Lemma 20 by the end of this instance ops(EST_{n.left}, t₁) \cup ops(EST_{n.right}, t₁) has been propagated.

Let R_1 read i and R_2 read i+1 from Line 310. As R_2 's TryAppend() returns false, there is another successful instance R'_2 of n.Refresh() that has done TryAppend() successfully into n.blocks[i+1] before R_2 tries to append. Since R'_2 creates the block after reading the value i+1 from n.head (Line 310) and R_1 reads the value i from n.head and the head's value is increasing by Lemma 5 then $t_{R2'310} > t_{R1310} >_{R_1} t$ (see Figure 17). By Lemma 20 after R'_2 's CAS ($t_{320}^{R'_2}$) we have ops(EST_{n.left}, t_1) \cup ops(EST_{n.right}, t_1) \subseteq ops(n.blocks). Also by Lemma 3 on R_2 the value of n.head head is more than i+1 after R'_2 terminates, so the block appended by R'_2 to n is established by then ($n.head \ge i+2 > i+1$). To summarize, t_1 is before t_2 's read of t_1 n.head ($t_{310}^{R'_2}$) and t_2 's successful CAS is before t_2 's termination. So, by Lemma 20, ops(EST_{n.left}, t_1) \cup ops(EST_{n.right}, t_1) \subseteq ops(EST_{n.right}, t_2).

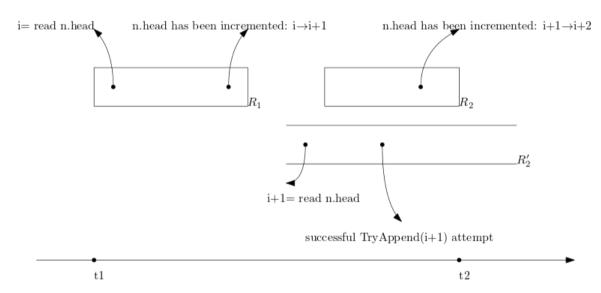


Figure 17: $_{R_1}t < t_{310}^{R_1} <$ incrementing n.head from i to $i+1 < t_{310}^{R_2'} < t_{320}^{R_2'} <$ incrementing n.head from i+1 to $i+2 < t_{R_2}$

 $\mathbf{Corollary~22.~ops}(\mathtt{EST_{n.left,~302t}})~\cup~ops(\mathtt{EST_{n.right,~302t}}) \subseteq ops(\mathtt{EST_{n,~t_{303}}})$

Proof. If the first Refresh() in line 302 returns true then by Lemma 19 the claim holds. Also if first Refresh() failed and the second Refresh() succeeded the claim still holds by Lemma 19. Finally, if both failed the claim is satisfied by Lemma 21.

Corollary 23 (Propagate Step). All operations in n's children's established blocks before running line 302 of a Propagate routine are
guaranteed to be in n's established blocks after line 303.
<i>Proof.</i> If 302 or 303 succeed, the claim is true by Lemma 19. Otherwise Lines 302 and 303 satisfy the preconditions of Lemma 21. □
Corollary 24. After Append(blk) finishes ops(blk)⊆ops(root.blocks[x]) for exactly one x.
Proof. After Append(blk)'s termination, blk is in root.blocks since blk is established in the leaf it has been added to. By applying
Lemma 23 inductively it is propagated up to the root. Finally Lemma 11 shows only one block in the root contains blk.
Lemma 25 (Block Size Upper Bound). Each block contains at most one operation of each processs.
<i>Proof.</i> To derive a contradiction, assume there are two operations op_1 and op_2 of process p in block b in node n . Without loss of generality
op_1 is invoked earlier than op_2 . A process cannot invoke more than one operations concurrently, so op_1 has to be finished before op_2 .
By Corollary 24, before appending op_2 to the tree op_1 exists in every node on the path from p 's leaf to the root, because op_1 's Append
is finished before op_2 's Append starts. So, there is some block b' before b in n containing op_1 . Existence of op_1 in b and b' contradicts
Lemma 11.
Lemma 26 (Subblocks Upperbound). Each block has at most p direct subblocks.
Proof. The claim follows directly from Lemma 25 and the observation that each block appended to the tree contains at least one
operation, due to the test on Line 318. We can also see the blocks in the leaves have exactly one operation in the Enqueue() and
Dequeue() routines.

 $\textbf{Lemma 27} \ (\text{Get correctness}). \ \textit{If} \ \texttt{n.blocks[b].num}_{\texttt{enq}} \geq \texttt{i} \ \textit{then n.GetENQ(b,i)} \ \textit{returns the element enqueued by } E_i(n,b).$

Proof. We are going to prove this lemma by induction on the height of node n. For the base case, n is a leaf. Leaf blocks each contain exactly one operation, so by the hypothesis, only n.GetENQ(b,1) can be called and only when n.blocks[b] contains an enqueue. At Line 403, n.GetENQ(b,1) returns the element of the enqueue operation stored in the bth block of leaf n.

For the induction step we prove n.GetENQ(b, i) returns $E_i(n,b)$, assuming n.child.GetENQ(subblock, i) returns $E_i(n.child,b)$. We argue that Line 404 correctly decides whether the ith enqueue in bth block of internal node n is in the left child or right child subblocks of n.blocks[b]. From Definition 15 of E(n,b) we know enqueue operations in a block are ordered from left to right and since the leaves of the tree are ordered by process id from left to right, thus operations from the left subblocks come before operations from the right subblocks in a block (See Figure 18). Furthermore the $\operatorname{num_{enq-left}}$ field in n.blocks[b] stores the number of enqueue() operations from the blocks's subblocks in the left child of n. So the *i*th enqueue operation is propagated from the right child if i is greater than b. $\operatorname{num_{enq-left}}$. Otherwise we should search for the *i*th enqueue in the left child. By definition 6 and 8 we need to search in subblocks of n.blocks[b] from the range n.left.blocks[n.blocks[i-1].end_{left}+1..n.blocks[i].end_{left}] \cup n.right.blocks[n.blocks[i-1].end_{right}+1..n.blocks[i].end_{right}].

If the *i*th enqueue of n.blocks[b] is in the left child it would be *i*th enqueue in n.left.blocks[n.blocks[i-1].end_{left}+1..n.blocks[i].end_{left}] by Definition 6. Also, we know there are $eb = n.blocks[b-1].sum_{enq-left}$ enqueues in the blocks before this range, so $E_i(n,b)$ is $E_{i+eb}(n.left)$ which is $E_{i'}(n.left,b')$ for some b' and i'. We can compute b' and then search for i+ebth enqueue in n.left, where i' is $i+eb-n.left.blocks[b'-1].sum_{enq}$. The parameters in Line 405 are for searching $E_{i+eb}(n.left)$ in n.left.block in the expected range of blocks, so this BSearch returns the index of the subblock containing $E_i(n,b)$.

Otherwise the enqueue we are looking for is in the right child. Then, there are n.blocks[b].num_{enq-left} enqueues ahead of it in n.blocks[b] but not in n.right.blocks[n.blocks[i-1].end_{right}+1..n.blocks[i].end_{right}]. So we need to search for i-n.blocks[b].num_{enq-left}+n.blocks[b-1].sum_{enq-right} (Line 409). Other parameters for the left child are chosen similarly to the way they were chosen for the right child.

So, in both cases the direct subblock containing $E_i(n,b)$ is computed in Lines 405 and 409. Finally, n.child.GetENQ(subblock, i) is invoked on the subblock containing $E_i(n,b)$ and it returns $E_i(n,b)$ by the hypothesis of the induction.

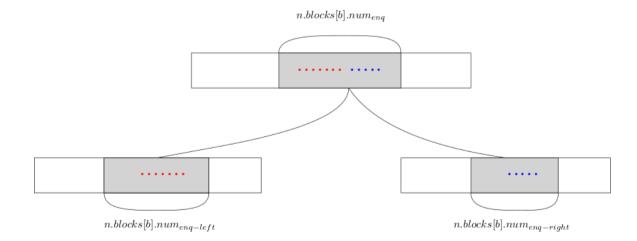


Figure 18: The number and ordering of the enqueue operations propagated from the left and the right child to n.blocks[b]. Enqueue operations from the left subblocks (colored red), are ordered before the enqueue operations from the right child (colored blue).

 $\textbf{Lemma 28} \ (\textbf{DS} \textbf{Earch correctness}). \ \textit{If} \ \textbf{root.blocks[end]}. \ \textbf{sum}_{\texttt{enq}} \geq \textbf{e}, \ \textbf{DS} \textbf{earch(e, end)} \ \textit{returns} \ \textbf{<b, i>} \ \textit{such that} \ E_i(root,b) = E_e(root).$

Proof. DSearch performs a doubling search from root.blocks[end] to root.blocks[0] to find $E_e(root)$. From Lemma we know sum_{enq} fields of nfroot.blocks[] are sorted in a non-decreasing order. Since root.blocks[0].sum_{enq}=0 and there is a block in the root with sum_{enq} value greater than e, so there is a b that root.blocks[b].sum_{enq} $\geq e$ but root.blocks[b-1].sum_{enq} < e. This block contains $E_i(root,b)$ and the search on Line 802-806 will eventually reach the b.

Lemma 29 (DSearch Analysis). Assume root.blocks[end].sum_{enq} \geq e and $E_e(root)$'s element is the response to some Dequeue() operation in root.blocks[end], then DSearch(e, end) takes $\Theta(\log root.blocks[b].size + root.blocks[end].size)$ steps.

Proof. First we show end $-b \le 2 \times (\text{root.blocks[b].size} + \text{root.blocks[end].size} + 1)$. From line 318, we know that num field of the every block in the tree is greater than 0. So, each block in root.blocks[b..end] contains at least one Enqueue or at least one Dequeue. Suppose there were more than root.blocks[b].size Dequeues in root.blocks[b+1..end-1]. Then the element in the queue which is the response to the Dequeue() would become dequeued at some point after blocks[b]'s last operations and before root.blocks[end]'s first operation. Which means the response to to a Dequeue in root.blocks[end] could not be in E(n,b). Furthermore since the size of the queue would become root.blocks[end].size after the operations of root.blocks[end], there cannot be more than root.blocks[b].size + root.blocks[end-1].size Enqueues in root.blocks[b+1..end-1], because there can be at most root.blocks[b].size Dequeues and the final size of the queue is root.blocks[end-1].size. Overall there can be at most $2 \times \text{root.blocks[b]}$.size + root.blocks[end].size operations in root.blocks[b+1..end-1] and since each block size is ≥ 1 thus there are at most $2 \times \text{root.blocks[b]}$.size + root.blocks[end].size blocks in between root.blocks[b] and root.blocks[end]. So end-b $\le 2 \times \text{root.blocks[b]}$.size + root.blocks[end].size + 1. See Figure 19.

Now that we know there are at most root.blocks[b].size +root.blocks[end].size blocks in between root.blocks[b] and root.blocks[end] then with doubling search in $\Theta(\log(\text{root.blocks[b].size +root.blocks[end].size}))$ steps we reach start=c that the root.blocks[c].sum_{enq} is less than e and end-c is not more than $2 \times 2 \times (\text{root.blocks[b].size +root.blocks[end].size})$. Beause otherwise, then (end-c)/2 satisfied the root.blocks[(end-c)/2].sum_{enq} < e. In line 804 the difference between end and start is doubled. See Figure 19.

After computing b, the value i is computed via the definition of sum_{enq} in constant time (Line 807). So the whole DSearch routine takes $\Theta(\log(root.blocks[b].size +root.blocks[end].size))$ steps.

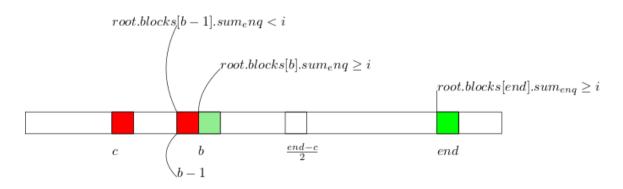


Figure 19: Distance relations between b, c, end

Definition 30. A Refresh is successful if it performs a successful CAS on Line 320. If Refresh instance R_1 does its CAS at Line 320 sooner than Refresh instance R_2 we say R_1 happened before R_2 .

Let i be the value R_n , a successful instance of Refresh() on the node n, reads from n.head. R_n does a successful CAS(null, new) into n.blocks[h], where b is the new. Without loss of generality for the rest of this section assume n is the left child of n.parent. From now on we say p as an abbreviation for n.parent. Let R_p be the first successful p.Refresh() that reads some value greater than i for left.head and is contains b in its created block s in Line 317. From Lemma 24 we know there could be only one p.Refresh() propagating b. R_p does a successful CAS(null, new) into p.blocks[j], where s is the new.

Although other fields of b are set while creating it, because the index of the superblock of b is not known until it is propagated, R_n cannot set the super field of a b while creating it. One approach is to set the super field of b after it is propagated by R_b but this would not be efficient because there might be p subblocks in s. However, once b is installed, its superblock is going to be close to n.parent.head at the time of installation. One idea is that if we know the aproximate position of the superblock of b then we can search for the real superblock when we wished to know the superblock of b i.e. b.super does not have to be the exact location of the superblock of b, but we want it to be close to j. We can set b.super to n.parent.head while creating b, but the problem is that there might be many p.Refreshes could happen that contain blocks from the right child of p and j could be arbitrarily (right word?) greater than b.super. We set b.super to p.head after appending b to n.blocks (Line 326). Maybe R_n goes to sleep at some time after installing b and before setting b.super. In this case the next Refreshes on n and n.parent help fill in the value of b.super.

Block b is appended to n.blocks[h] on Line 320. After appending b, b.super is set on Line 326 of a call to Advance by the same process or another process's n.Refresh() or maybe an n.parent.Refresh(). We want to bound how far b.super is from the index of b's superblock, which is created by a successful n.parent.Refresh() that propagates b.

Observation 31. After n.blocks[i].CAS(null, b) succeeds, n.head cannot increase from i to i+1 unless b.super is set.

Proof. From the Observation 2 we know the only change to n.head is on Line 327 which is incrementing. Before an instance of Advance() increments n.head on Line 327, Line 326 ensures that n.blocks[head].super was set at Line 326.

 $\textbf{Corollary 32.} \ \textit{If} \ \texttt{n.blocks[i].super} \ \textit{is} \ \texttt{null}, \ \textit{then} \ \texttt{n.head} < \texttt{i} \ \textit{and} \ \texttt{n.blocks[i+1]} \ \textit{is} \ \texttt{null}.$

Proof. If b.super is null then n.head cannot advance so the next n.Refresh() will fail. By the previous corollary, b.super has to be set before the next successful Refresh() on n after R_n .

Now let us talk about how the p.Refreshes that took place after the putting b into n, will help to set b.super and propagate b.

Lemma 33. If $b \in n.parent.blocks[i]$ then $b.super \leq i$.

Proof. For R_p to contain block b, it has to read n.head greater than h (see Line 334). For n.head to be greater than h it means n.head is incremented in Line 327 which means b.super was already set in Line 326 (see Observation 31). So if R_p propagates b it means b.super was already set. Let j be the value written in b.super. j has been read in Line 310 or Line 321 which both are before calling Advance that sets b.super. From Observation 2 we know p.Head is non-decreasing so $j \leq i$. The reader may wonder when the case j = i happens, it happens when p.blocks[j]=null while j is read and R_p puts its created block into n.blocks[j].

Lemma 34. If R_n.Refresh() puts b in n.blocks[h] at Line 320, then the block created by one of the next two successful p.Refreshes according to the Definition 30 contains b and b.super is set before Line 317 of the the second successful p.Refresh().

Proof. It is sufficient to prove one of the two successful p.Refresh()es propagate b. If the first successful p.Refresh() propagated b then the claim is true, so in the remaining part we assume the first p.Refresh() did not propagate b and prove the second p.Refresh() propagates b.

b.super is set by some instance of Refresh() on n or p showed by R' and n.head is incremented by some Refresh() called R". We want to know how great j-b.super can be. p.head is hp when R' reads it. From Lemma 5 p.head could only increase from hp to hp+1 if $p[hp] \neq null$. In other words there should be a successful p.Refresh() for p.head to increase. We claim there cannot be another successful p.Refresh() after R' reads p.head and before R_p performs Line 334.

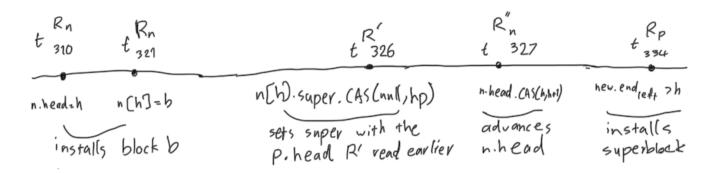


Figure 20: Time relations between R_n , R_p , R', R''

Assume the first successful p.Refresh() after t_{320}^{Rn} did not set b.super. It might happen maybe because the value read for h_{left} in Line 312 is less than i or maybe $i = h_{left}$ and left.blocks[h_{left}] = null, which means n.head is advanced but b is still not installed in n.blocks[i] which means R_n has not reached to the Line 320.

Let the first successful p.Refresh() be Rp1 and the second next successful p.Refresh() be Rp2. If Rp1 reads x in Line 310, then Rp2 has to read x+1 in Line 310 (iduced from 5, 2). See the timeline in Figure 21 for two consecutive successful Refresh() instances Rp1, Rp2 on p.

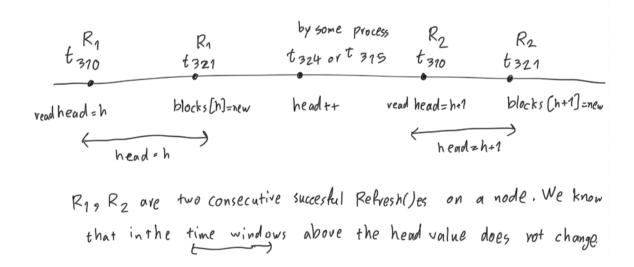


Figure 21: Rp2 reads p.head after t_{321}^{Rp1} , which is after t_{321}^{Rn} . Rp2 has to help increment n.head and set b.super.

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Figure 22: The second Refresh on p contains b and reads n.head > i.

So b.super has set by some process before the second next successful p.Refresh() on Line 326. Since i is read in the Line 310 then the CreateBlock() in Line 317 is going to read some value fo left.head greater than h and propagates b to p. So if b was not propagated already we are sure the second next successful p.Refresh() propagates b.

Corollary 35. If b has propagated to f, then b.super has at most 1 difference with the index of the superblock of b in p.

Lemma 36 (Computing SuperBlock). For the superblock value computed in line 418 of n.IndexDEQ(b,i) we have n.parent.blocks[superblock] contains $D_{n,b,i}$.

Proof. First we show the value read for super[b.group] in line 418 is not null. Values np_{dir} read in lines ??, super are set before incrementing in lines ??,??. So before incrementing num_{propagated}, super[num_{propagated}] is set so it cannot be null while reading. Then by Lemma ??if we search in the range p, we can find the superblock.

 $\textbf{Lemma 37} \ (\textbf{Index correctness}). \ \textit{If } \texttt{n.blocks[b]}. \texttt{num}_{\texttt{deq}} \geq \texttt{i} \ \textit{then } \texttt{n.IndexDEQ(b,i)} \ \textit{returns the rank in } D(root) \ \textit{of } D_{n,b,i}.$

Proof. We will prove this by induction on the distance of n from the root. We can see the base case where n is root is trivial (Line 415). In the non-root nodes n. IndexDEQ(b,i) computes the superblock of the ith Dequeue in the bth block of n in n.parent by Lemma 36 (Line 418). After that the order in D(n.parent, superblock) is computed. Note that by Lemma 25 in each block there is at most one operation from each process and operations of one type are ordered based on the order in the subblocks (See Figure 23). Finally index() is called on n.parent recursively and it returns the correct response from induction hypothesis. If the operation was propagated from the right child the number of dequeues from the left child are added to it (Line ??), because the left child operations come before the right child operations (Definition 15).

Make sure to show preconditions of all invocation of BSearch are satisfied.

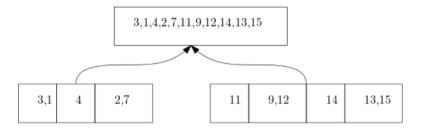


Figure 23: Relation of ordering of operations of a block from its subblocks

Definition 38. Assume the operations in L are applied on an empty queue. If element of enqueue e is the response to dequeue d then we say R(d)=e. If d's response id null (queue is empty) then R(d)=null.

Definition 39. In an execution on a queue, the dequeue operations that return some value are called *non-null dequeues*.

Observation 40. In a sequential execution on a queue, kth non-null dequeue returns the element of kth enqueue.

Lemma 41. root.blocks[b].size is the size of the queue if the operations in the prefix for the bth block in the root are applied with the order of L.

Proof. need to say? :: If the size of a queue is greater than 0 then a Dequeue() would decrease the size of the queue, otherwise the size of the queue remains 0. By definition 15 enqueue operations come before dequeue operations in a block in L.

We prove the claim by induction on b. Base case b=0 is trivial since the queue is initially empty and root.blocks[0].size=0. For b=i we are going to use the hypothesis for b=i-1. If there are more than root.blocks[i-1].size+ root.blocks[i].sum_{enq} dequeue operations in root.blocks[i] then the queue would become empty after root.blocks[i]. Otherwise we can compute the size of the queue after bth block using with this equality root.blocks[b].size= root.blocks[b-1].size+ root.blocks[b].sum_{enq}-root.blocks[b].sum_{deq} (Line 344). See Table 4 for an example of running some blocks of operations on an empty queue.

Lemma 42 (Duality of #non-null dequeues and block.size). If the operations are applied with the order of L, the number of non-null dequeues in the prefix for a block b is b.sum_{enq}-b.size

Proof. There are b.sum_{enq} enqueue operations in the prefix for b, then the size of the queue after the prefix for b is #enqs - #non-null dequeues in the prefix for b, by Observation 35. So #non-null dequeues is b.sum_{enq}-b.size. The correctness of the block.size field is shown in Lemma 41.

Lemma 43. R(D_{root,b,i}) is null iff root.blocks[b-1].size + root.blocks[b].num_{enq}- i <0.

Lemma 44 (Computing Response). FindResponse(b,i) returns R(Droot,b,i).element.

Proof. First note that by Definition 15 the linearization ordering of operations will not change as new operations come so instead of talking about the linearization of operations before the $E_i(root, b)$ we talk about what if the whole operation in the linearization are applied on a queue.

 $D_{root,b,i}$ is $D_{root,root.blocks[b-1].sum_{deq}+i}$ from the definition 15 and sum_{enq} . $D_{root,b,i}$ returns null if root.blocks[b-1].size + root.blocks[b].num_{enq}- i <0 by Lemma 43 (Line 220). Otherwise if it is d'th non-null dequeue in L it returns d'th enqueue by Observation 40. By Lemma 42 there are root.blocks[b-1].sum_{enq}- root.blocks[b-1].size non-null dequeue operations before prefix for root.blocks[b-1]. Note that the dequeues in root.blocks[b] before the ith dequeue are non-null dequeues. So the response is $E_{i-root.blocks[b-1].size+root.blocks[b-1].sum_{deq}(root)$ (Line 222). See figure 24.

After computing e we can find b,i such that $E_i(root,b) = E_e(root)$ using DSearch and then find its element using GetEnq (Line 223).

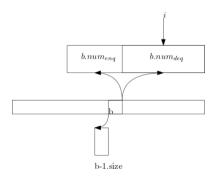


Figure 24: The position of $E_i(root, b)$.

	DEQ()	ENQ(5), ENQ(2), ENQ(1), DEQ()	ENQ(3), DEQ()	ENQ(4), DEQ(), DEQ(), DEQ()
#enqueues	0	3	1	1
#dequeues	1	1	1	4
#non-null dequeues	0	1	2	5
size	0	2	2	0

Table 4: An example of root blocks fields. Blocks are from left to right and operations in the blocks are also from the left to right.

Theorem 45 (Main). The queue implementation is linearizable.

Proof. We choose L in Definition 15 to be linearization ordering of operations and prove if we linearize operations as L the queue works consistently.

Lemma 46 (satisfiability). L can be a linearization ordering.

Proof. To show this we need to say if in an execution, op₁ terminates before op₂ starts then op₁ is linearized before op₂. If op₁ terminates before op₂ starts it means op₁.Append() is terminated before op₂.Append() starts. From Lemma 11 op₁ is in root.blocks before op₂ propagates so op₁ is linearized before op₂ by Definition 15.

Once some operations are aggregated in one block they will be propagated together up to the root and we can linearize them in any order among themselves. Furthermore in L we arbitrary choose the order to be by process id, since it makes computations in the blocks faster . \Box

Lemma 47 (correctness). If operations are applied as L on a sequential queue, the sequence of the responses would be the same as our algorithm.

Proof. Old parts to review We show that the ordering L stored in the root, satisfies the properties of a linearizable ordering.

- 1. If op_1 ends before op_2 begins in E, then op_1 comes before op_2 in T.
 - ▶ This is followed by Lemma 11. The time op_1 ends it is in root, before op_2 , by Definition 15 op_1 is before op_2 .
- 2. Responses to operations in E are same as they would be if done sequentially in order of L.
 - \blacktriangleright Enqueue operations do not have any response so it does no matter how they are ordered. It remains to prove Dequeue d returns the correct response according to the linearization order. By Lemma 44 it is deduced that the head of the queue at time of the linearization of d is computed properly. If the Queue is not empty by Lemma 27 we know that the returning response is the computed index element.

Lemma 48 (Amortized time analysis). Enqueue() and Dequeue(), each take $O(\log^2 p + \log q)$ steps in amortized analysis. Where p is the number of processes and q is the size of the queue at the time of invocation of operation.

Proof. Enqueue(x) consists of creating a block(x) and appending it to the tree. The first part takes constant time. To propagate x to the root the algorithm tries two Refreshes in each node of the path from the leaf to the root (Lines 302, 303). We can see from the code that each Refresh takes constant number of steps since creating a block is done in constant time and does O(1) CASes. Since the height of the tree is $O(\log p)$, Enqueue(x) takes $O(\log p)$ steps.

A Dequeue() creates a block with null value element, appends it to the tree, computes its order among enqueue operations, and returns the response. The first two part is similar to an Enqueue operation. To compute the order of a dqueue in D(n) there are some constant steps and IndexDeq() is called. IndexDeq does a search with range p in each level (Lemma ??) which takes $O(\log^2 p)$ in the tree. In the FindResponse() routine DSearch() in the root takes $O(\log(\text{root.blocks[b].size +root.blocks[end].size})$ by Lemma 28, which is $O(\log \text{size of the queue when enqueue is invoked}) + \log \text{size of the queue when dequeue is invoked}$. Each search in GetEnq() takes $O(\log p)$ since there are $\leq p$ subblocks in a block (Lemma 26), so GetEnq() takes $O(\log^2 p)$ steps.

If we split DSearch time cost between the corresponding Enqueue, Dequeue, in amortized we have Enqueue takes $O(\log p + q)$ and Dequeue takes $O(\log^2 p + q)$ steps.

Lemma 49 (CASes invoked). An Enqueue() or Dequeue() operation, does at most $4 \log p$ CAS operations.

Proof. In each height of the tree at most 2 times Refresh() is invoked and every Refresh() has 2 CASes, one in Line 320 and one in Lines ?? or ??.

4.1 Garbage Collection or Getting rid of the infinite Arrays

5 Using Queues to Implement Vectors

Supporting Append, Read, Write in PolyLog time by modifying Get(Enq) Method. Create a Universal Construction Using our vector

6 Conclusion

possible directions for work

Maybe Stacks

Characterize what datastructure can be used for this approach, we already know: queue, fetch & Inc, Vectors