

Queue Data Structure and Types

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Queue

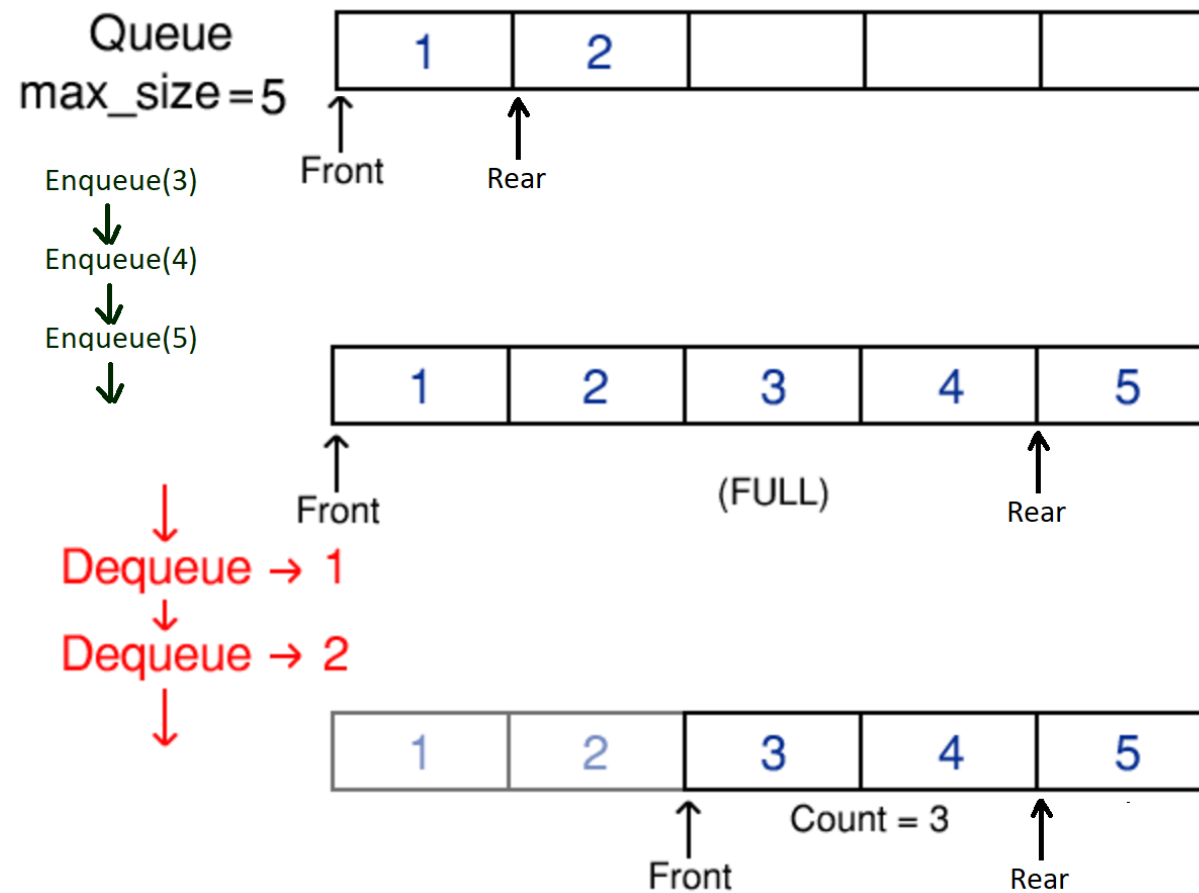
- First In First Out / Last In Last Out
- Ex.
- Queue for parking
- Queue for ticket booking



Queue Data Structure (D,F,A)

- Domains:
 - Queue of requests for ticket booking
 - Queue of process scheduling
- Functions:
 - Enqueue(): put element at rear of the queue
 - Dequeue(): remove element from front of the queue
 - IsEmpty()
 - IsFull()
- Axioms (Assumptions):
 - Element can ONLY be added at rear of the queue
 - Element can ONLY be removed from front of the queue
 - If front == rear then queue is EMPTY

Queue Working

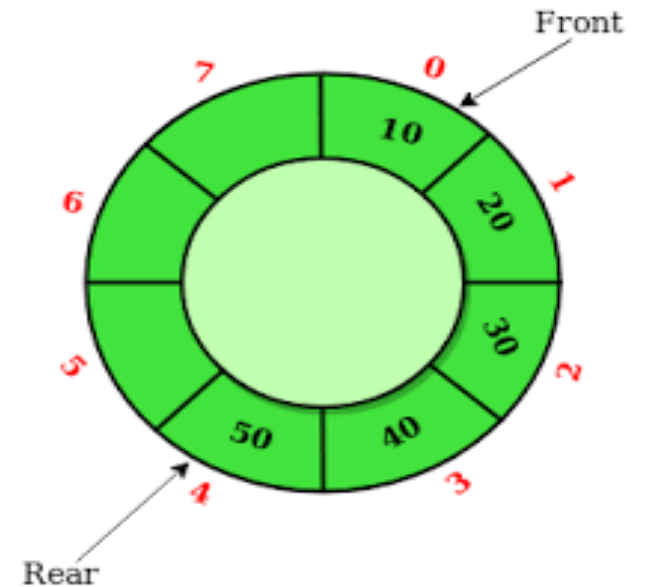


Types of Queues

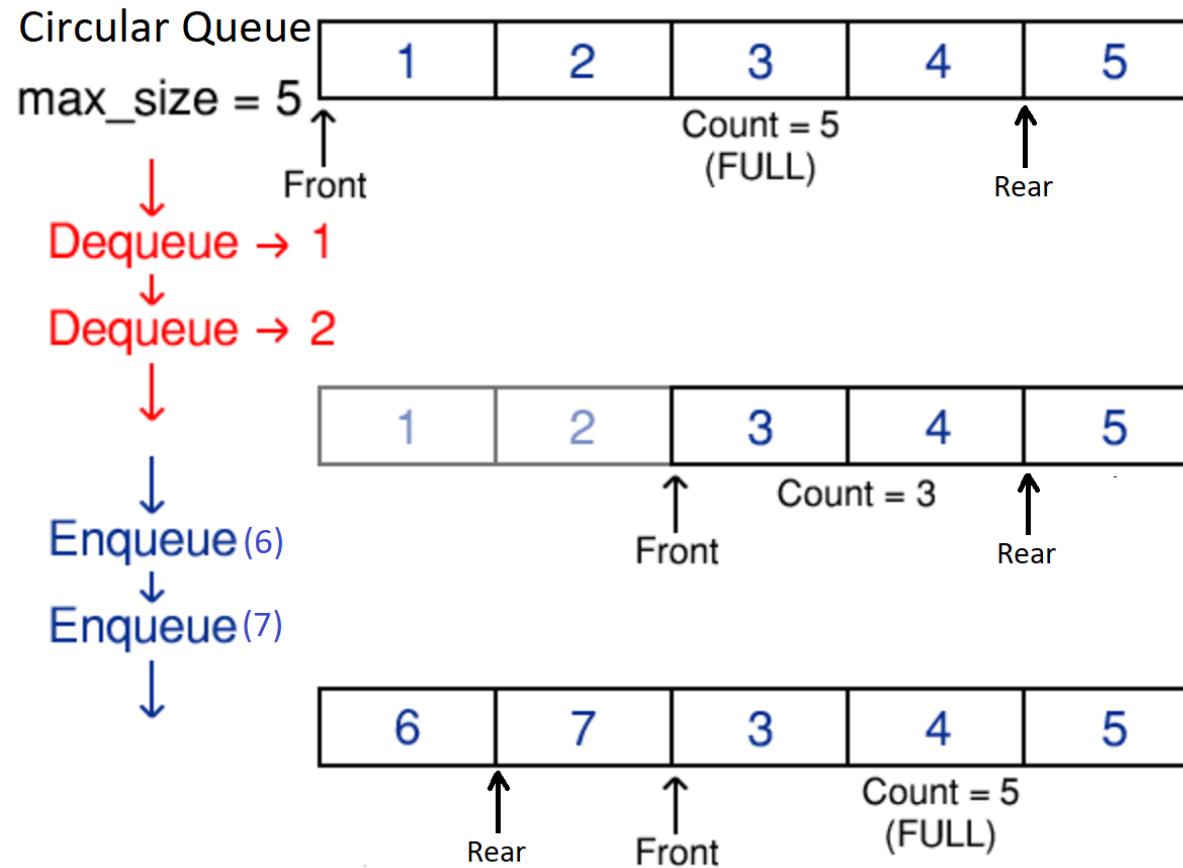
- Queue
- Double Ended Queue
- Circular Queue
- Priority Queue

Circular Queue Data Structure

- Domains:
 - Queue of process for round robin scheduling
- Functions:
 - Enqueue(): put element at rear of the queue
 - Dequeue(): remove element from start of the queue
 - IsEmpty()
 - IsFull()
- Axioms (Assumptions):
 - Element can ONLY be added at rear of the queue
 - Element can ONLY be removed from front of the queue
 - Queue EMPTY needs special handling (count)
 - Value of front and rear change in circular manner



Circular Queue Working



Circular Queue Data Structure

- Advantage
 - When queue is created using array then memory is used efficiently
- Dis-advantage
 - To detect Empty queue needs special handling

Priority Queue Data Structure

- Domains:
 - Queue of requests for loan approval
 - Queue of requests for hospital admission
 - Queue of resource allocation at server
 - (interrupt/user type/etc)
- Functions:
 - Enqueue(): insert element and priority at right place
 - Dequeue(): remove highest priority element
 - IsEmpty()
 - IsFull()
- Axioms (Assumptions):
 - All elements have priority assigned
 - Whenever element is added, it is put as per its priority