
DS2030 Data Structures and Algorithms for Data Science

Week 2 - Practice Problem

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Problem Statement: Implement the CircularQueue

Implement a circular queue `CircularQueue` with a fixed size of 5, supporting initialization, enqueue, dequeue, fullness and emptiness checks, and displaying elements.

Method Descriptions

- `CircularQueue()`: Initializes an empty circular queue of size 5 with front and rear pointers at -1.
- `boolean isFull()`: Checks if the queue is full based on front and rear positions.
- `boolean isEmpty()`: Checks if the queue is empty (front is -1).
- `enqueue(element)`: Adds an element to the rear, printing "Inserted" or "Queue is full".
- `dequeue()`: Removes and returns the front element, or -1 if empty, printing "Queue is empty".
- `Display()`: Prints front, rear, and all elements from front to rear, or "Empty Queue".

Starter Code and Sample Output

```
1 class CircularQueue():
2     SIZE = 5
3
4     def __init__(self):
5         # Initialize queue with fixed size
6         # Set front and rear pointers to -1 to indicate empty queue
7         pass
8
9     def isFull(self):
10        # Check if queue is full
11        # Condition: (front == 0 and rear == SIZE-1) or (rear + 1) % SIZE == front
12        pass
13
14    def isEmpty(self):
15        # Check if queue is empty
16        # Condition: front == -1
17        pass
18
19    def enqueue(self, element):
20        # If full      print "Queue is full" and return
21        # If empty    set front = 0
22        # Move rear in circular manner: (rear + 1) % SIZE
23        # Insert element at rear
24        # Print "Inserted <element>"
25        pass
26
27    def dequeue(self):
28        # If empty    print "Queue is empty" and return -1
29        # Store element at front
30        # If only one element was present      reset front and rear to -1
31        # Else      move front in circular manner: (front + 1) % SIZE
32        # Return removed element
33        pass
```

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34
35 def Display(self):
36     # If empty     print "Empty Queue"
37     # Print front and rear values
38     # Print all elements from front to rear in correct order (circularly)
39     pass
40
41 def test():
42     myQ = CircularQueue()    # Create queue
43
44     myQ.dequeue()            # Remove from empty queue
45
46     myQ.enqueue(1)           # Insert 1
47     myQ.enqueue(2)           # Insert 2
48     myQ.enqueue(3)           # Insert 3
49     myQ.enqueue(4)           # Insert 4
50     myQ.enqueue(5)           # Insert 5
51     myQ.enqueue(6)           # Full queue
52
53     myQ.Display()            # Show all elements
54
55     x = myQ.dequeue()         # Remove 1
56     x = myQ.dequeue()         # Remove 2
57
58     myQ.Display()            # Show remaining elements
59
60     test()    # Run test

```

Sample Output

```

1 Queue is empty
2 Inserted 1
3 Inserted 2
4 Inserted 3
5 Inserted 4
6 Inserted 5
7 Queue is full
8 front 0
9 rear 4
10 Elements
11 1
12 2
13 3
14 4
15 5
16 front 2
17 rear 4
18 Elements
19 3
20 4
21 5

```

Problem Statement: Balanced Parentheses Checker using Stack (Linked List Implementation)

Given a string containing parentheses (), square brackets [], and curly braces {}, write a program using a Stack (implemented via a singly linked list) to determine whether the parentheses are balanced.

Requirements

- Implement the stack using a singly linked list.
- Only push opening brackets onto the stack.
- On encountering a closing bracket, check if it matches the top of the stack.
- If all brackets match correctly and the stack is empty at the end, the expression is balanced.

Starter Code

```
1 class Node:
2     def __init__(self, data):
3         # Store data in node
4         # Initialize next pointer to None
5         pass
6
7 class Stack:
8     def __init__(self):
9         # Initialize top pointer to None
10        pass
11
12    def push(self, item):
13        # Create a new node
14        # Link it to the current top
15        # Update top pointer
16        pass
17
18    def pop(self):
19        # Check if stack is empty
20        # Remove the top node and return its data
21        pass
22
23    def peek(self):
24        # Return top element without removing it
25        pass
26
27    def isEmpty(self):
28        # Return True if top is None
29        pass
30
31
32    def isBalanced(expression):
33        # Create an empty stack
34        # Define a mapping of closing to opening brackets
35        # Traverse the expression character by character
36        # If it's an opening bracket, push it onto the stack
37        # If it's a closing bracket:
38        #     # Check if stack is empty
39        #     # Pop and compare with corresponding opening bracket
40        # After traversal, return True if stack is empty, else False
41        pass
42
43
44
45
```

```
46
47 def test():
48     # Test cases for checking balanced parentheses
49     expressions = ["(a+b)", "[a*(b+c)]", "{[()]}", "([])", "((()))"]
50     for exp in expressions:
51         # Print expression and whether it is balanced
52         pass
53
54 test()
```

Sample Output

```
1 (a+b) : Balanced
2 [a*(b+c)] : Balanced
3 {[()]} : Balanced
4 ([]) : Not Balanced
5 ((())) : Not Balanced
```