

Basic Data Structures: Stacks and Queues

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Balanced Brackets

Input: A string *str* consisting of '(', ')', '[', ']' characters.

Output: Return whether or not the string's parentheses and square brackets are balanced.

Balanced Brackets

Balanced:

- "[] () ",
- "(([([])]) ())"

Unbalanced:

- "[]] ()"
- "] ["

IsBalanced(*str*)

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Stack stack
for char in str:
    if char in ['(', '[']:
        stack.Push(char)
    else:
        if stack.Empty(): return False
        top ← stack.Pop()
        if (top = '[' and char != ']') or
           (top = '(' and char != ')'):
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e.g. "((([([])])))"

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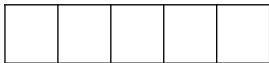
e.g. "(((("

Question

Given the unbalanced string "()(]", what character is on the top of the stack when the for loop is finished?

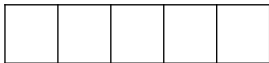
Stack Implementation with Array

numElements: 0



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Push (a)

Stack Implementation with Array

numElements: 1

a				
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Push (b)

Stack Implementation with Array

numElements: 2

a	b			
---	---	--	--	--

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Stack Implementation with Array

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a	b			
---	---	--	--	--

Stack Implementation with Array

numElements: 2

a	b			
---	---	--	--	--

Top ()

Stack Implementation with Array

numElements: 2

a	b			
---	---	--	--	--

Top () \rightarrow b

Stack Implementation with Array

numElements: 2

a	b			
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Stack Implementation with Array

numElements: 2

a	b			
---	---	--	--	--

Push (c)

Stack Implementation with Array

numElements: 3

a	b	c		
---	---	---	--	--

Push (c)

Stack Implementation with Array

numElements: 3

a	b	c		
---	---	---	--	--

Stack Implementation with Array

numElements: 3

a	b	c		
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Pop ()

Stack Implementation with Array

numElements: 2

a	b			
---	---	--	--	--

Pop () \rightarrow c

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Push (e)

Stack Implementation with Array

numElements: 4

a	b	d	e	
---	---	---	---	--

Push (e)

Stack Implementation with Array

numElements: 4

a	b	d	e	
---	---	---	---	--

Stack Implementation with Array

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a	b	d	e	
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Push (f)

Stack Implementation with Array

numElements: 5

a	b	d	e	f
---	---	---	---	---

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Stack Implementation with Array

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a	b	d	e	f
---	---	---	---	---

Stack Implementation with Array

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a	b	d	e	f
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Push (g)

Stack Implementation with Array

numElements: 5

a	b	d	e	f
---	---	---	---	---

Push (g) → ERROR

Stack Implementation with Array

numElements: 5

a	b	d	e	f
---	---	---	---	---

Stack Implementation with Array

numElements: 5

a	b	d	e	f
---	---	---	---	---

Empty()

Stack Implementation with Array

numElements: 5

a	b	d	e	f
---	---	---	---	---

`Empty()` \rightarrow `False`

Stack Implementation with Array

numElements: 5

a	b	d	e	f
---	---	---	---	---

Stack Implementation with Array

numElements: 5

a	b	d	e	f
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Pop ()

Stack Implementation with Array

numElements: 4

a	b	d	e	
---	---	---	---	--

Pop () \rightarrow f

Stack Implementation with Array

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a	b	d	e	
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Pop ()

Stack Implementation with Array

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a	b	d		
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Pop () \rightarrow e

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Stack Implementation with Array

numElements: 3

a	b	d		
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Pop ()

Stack Implementation with Array

numElements: 2

a	b			
---	---	--	--	--

Pop () \rightarrow d

Stack Implementation with Array

numElements: 2

a	b			
---	---	--	--	--

Stack Implementation with Array

numElements: 2

a	b			
---	---	--	--	--

Pop ()

Stack Implementation with Array

numElements: 1



Pop () \rightarrow b

Stack Implementation with Array

numElements: 1

a				
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Stack Implementation with Array

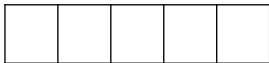
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Pop ()

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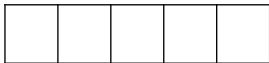
numElements: 0



Pop () \rightarrow a

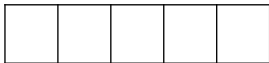
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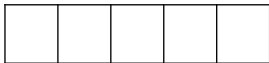
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Empty()

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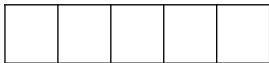
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`Empty()` \rightarrow `True`

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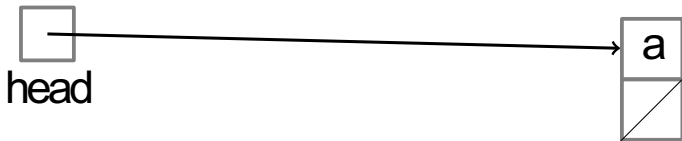


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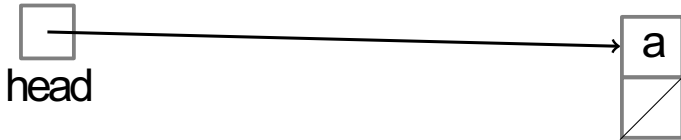
Push (a)

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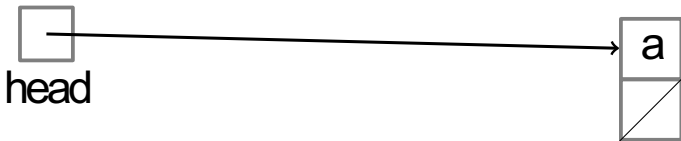


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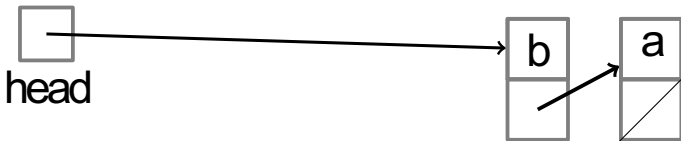


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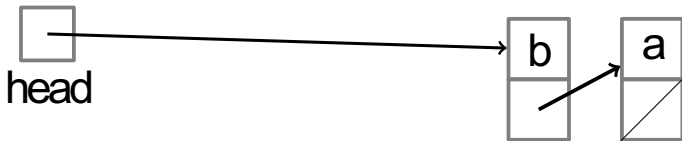
Push (b)

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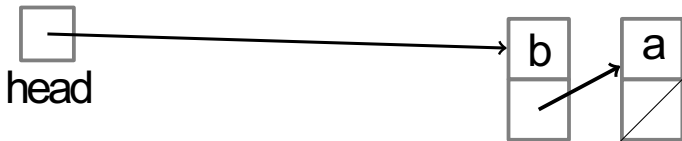
Top ()

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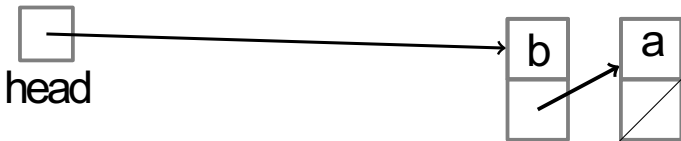


Top () \rightarrow b

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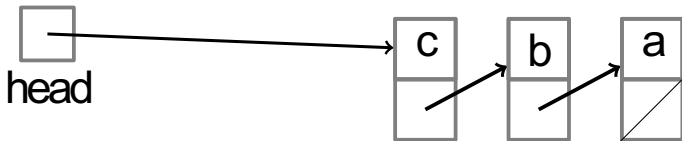


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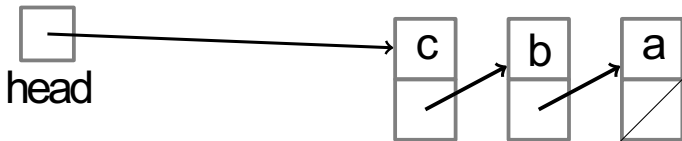
Push (c)

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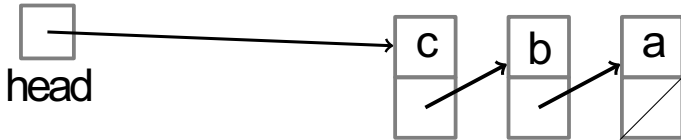


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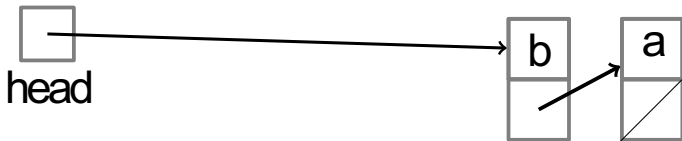


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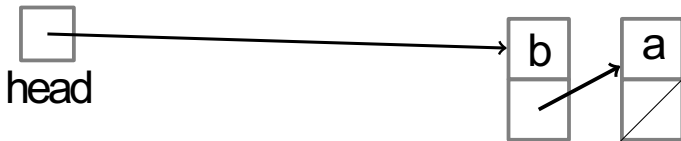
Pop ()

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Pop () \rightarrow c

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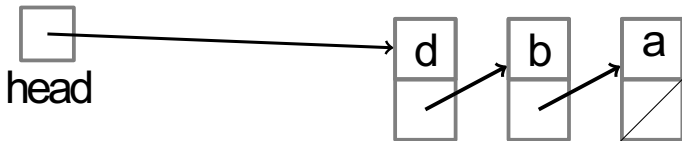


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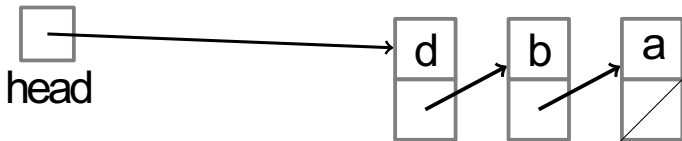
Push (d)

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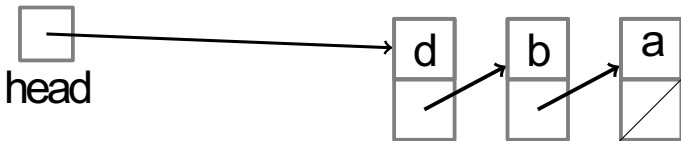


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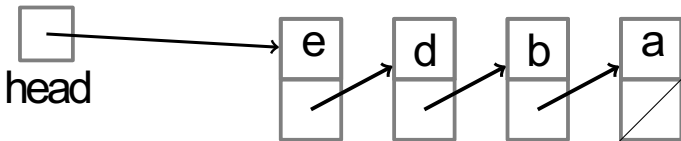


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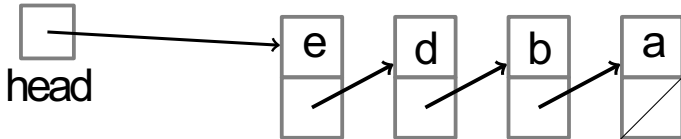
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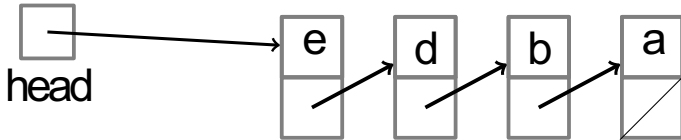


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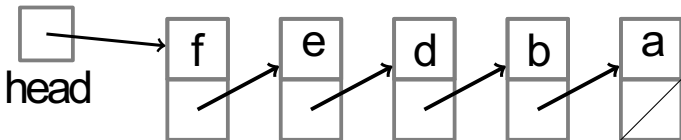


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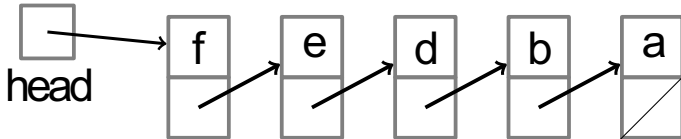
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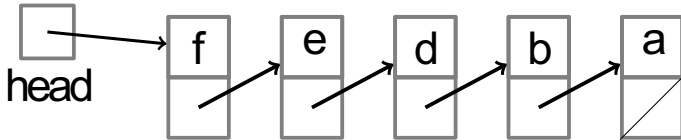


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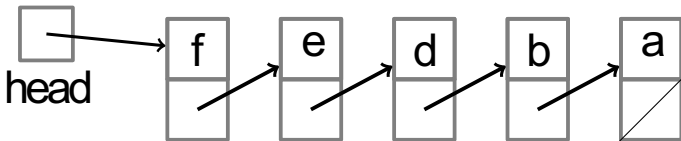


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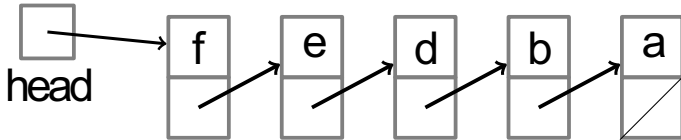
`Empty()`

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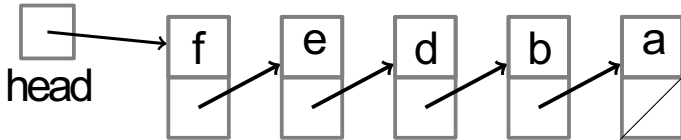


`Empty()` \rightarrow `False`

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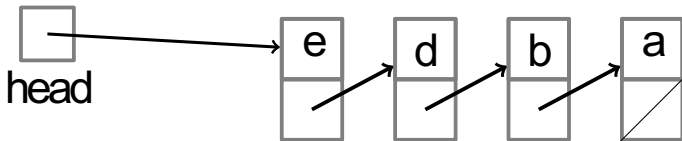


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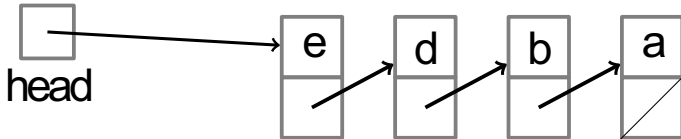
Pop()

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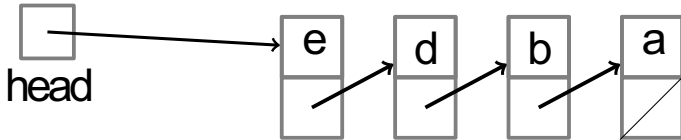


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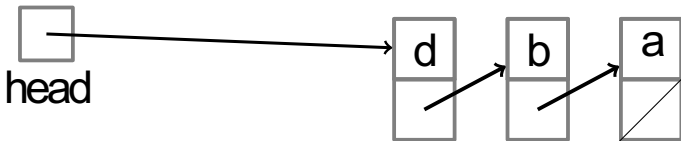


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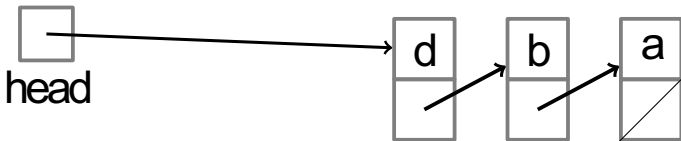
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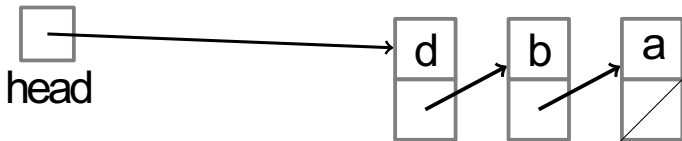


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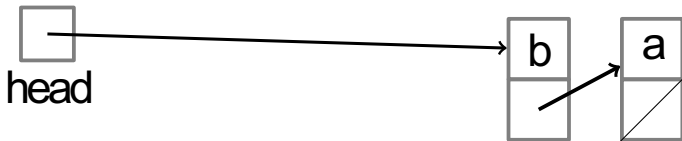
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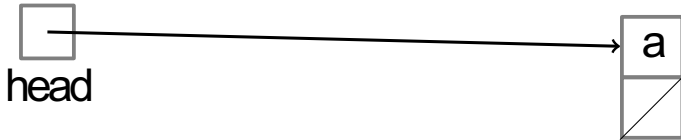


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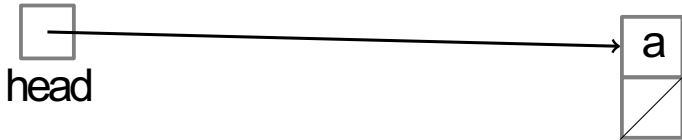
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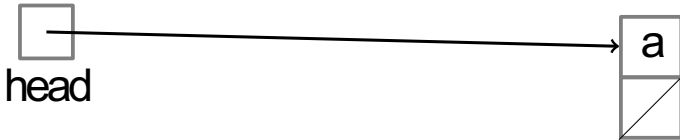


Pop () \rightarrow b

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Pop ()

Stack Implementation with Linked List



Pop () \rightarrow a

Stack Implementation with Linked List



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`Empty()`

Stack Implementation with Linked List



`Empty() → True`

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FIFO: First-In, First-Out

Queue Implementation with Linked List



head



tail

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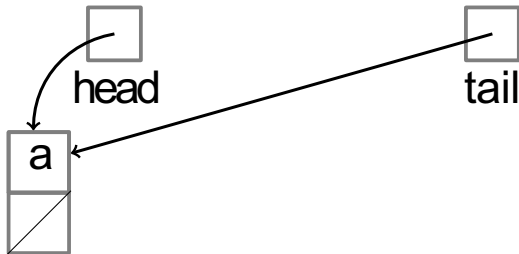
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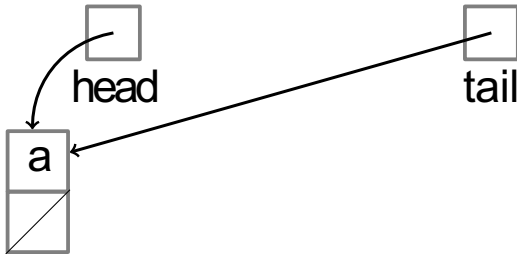
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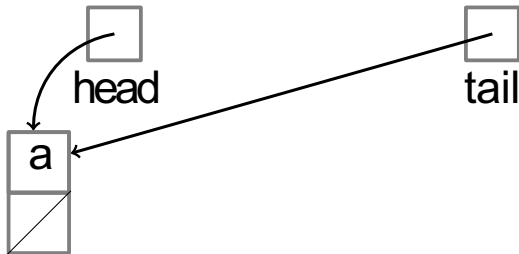


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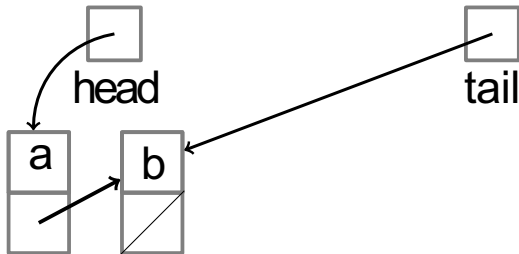


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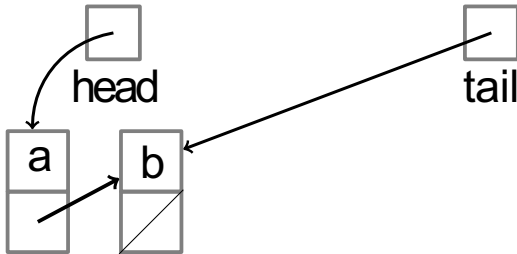
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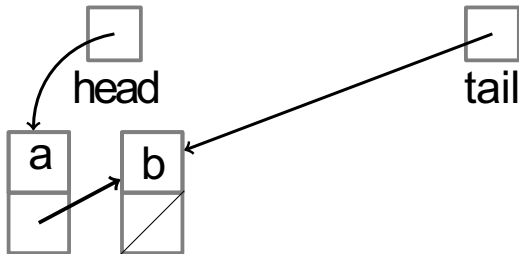


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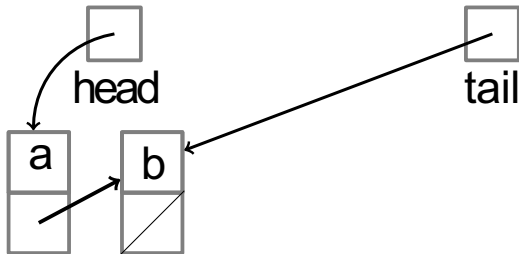


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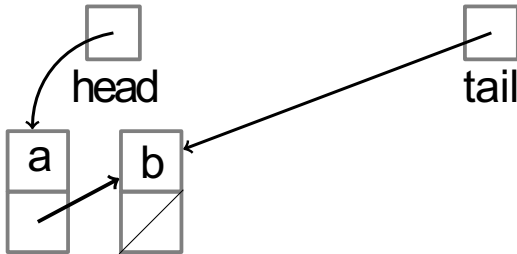
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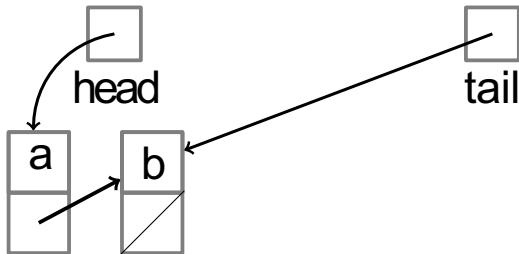


`Empty() → False`

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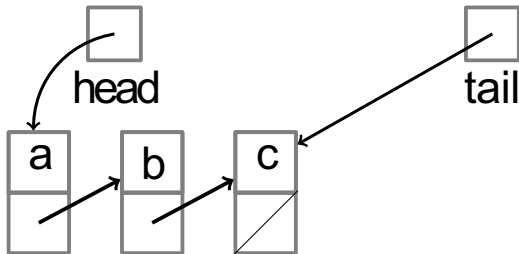


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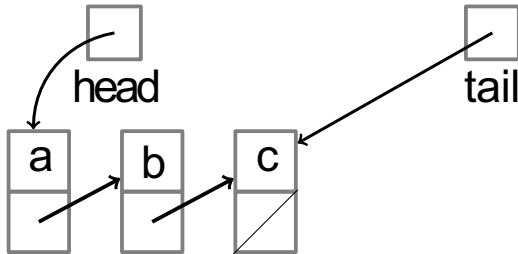
Enqueue (c)

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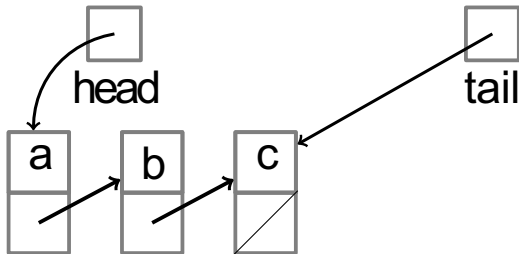


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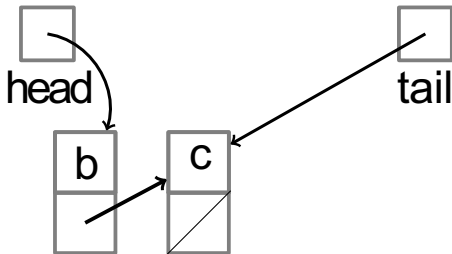


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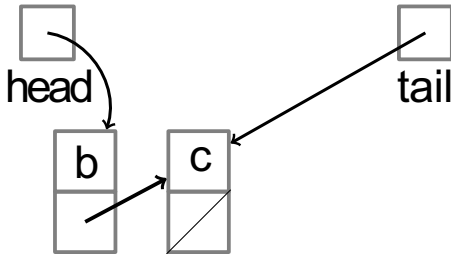
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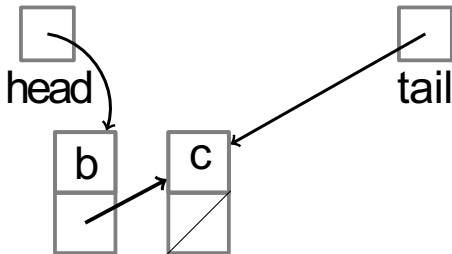


Dequeue () \rightarrow a

Queue Implementation with Linked List

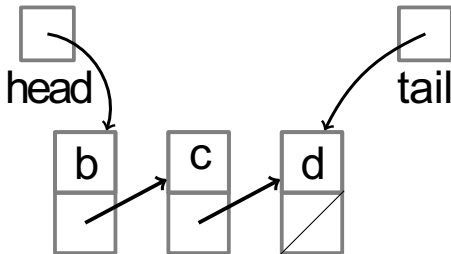


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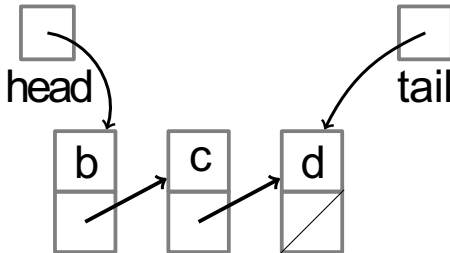
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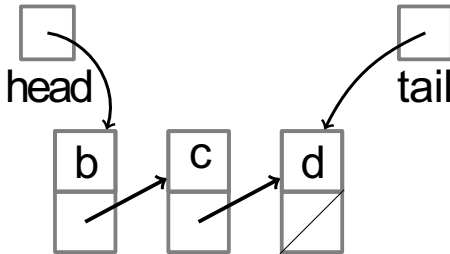


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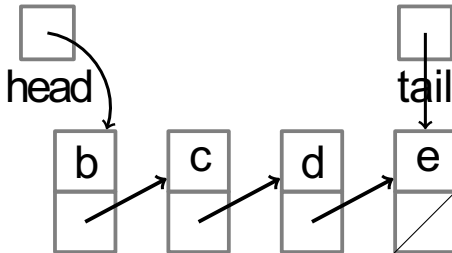


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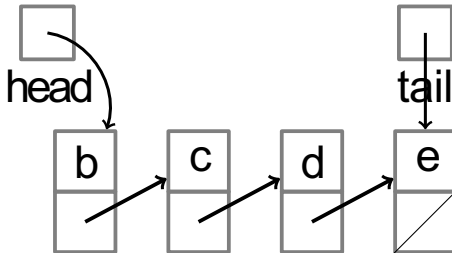
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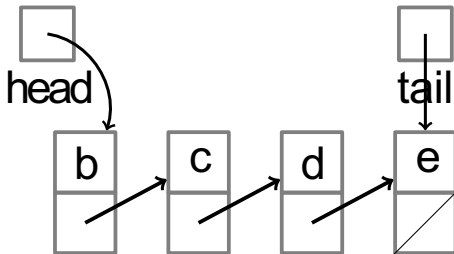


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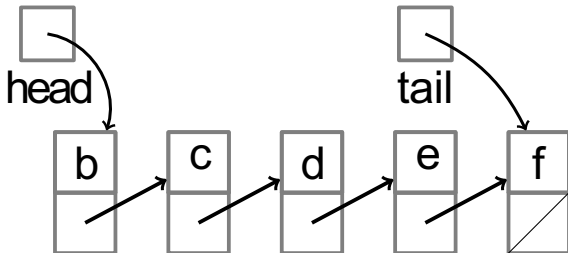


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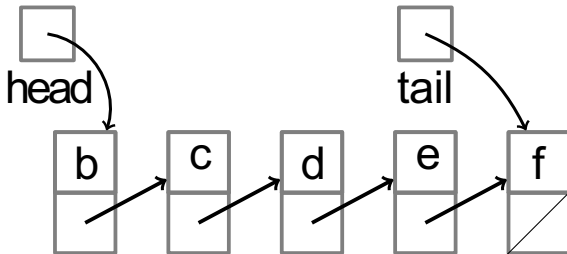
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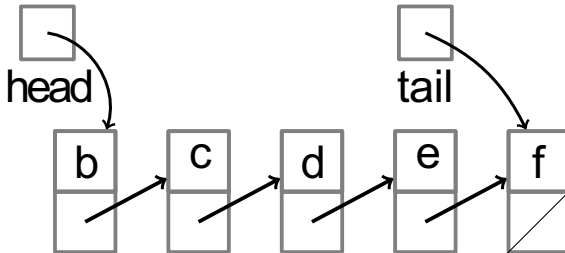


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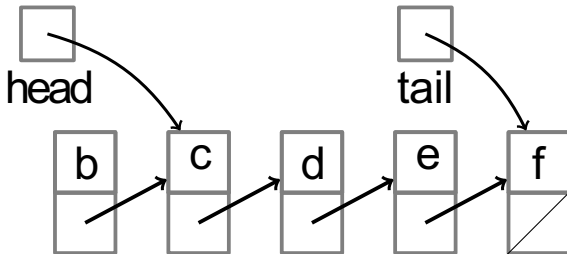


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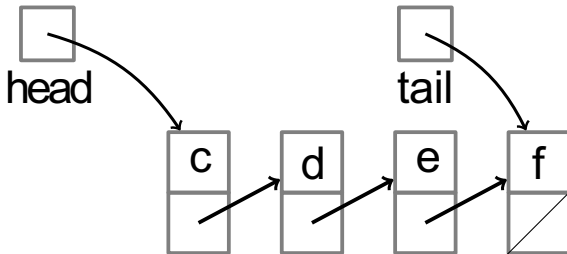
Dequeue()

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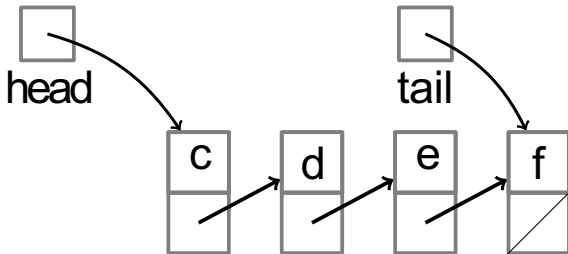


Dequeue() → b

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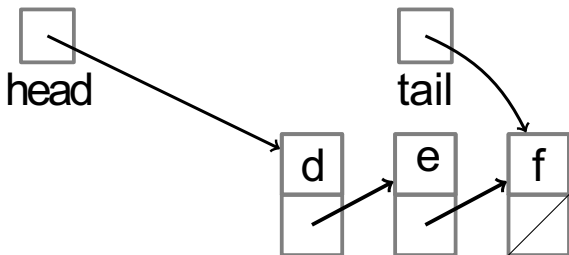


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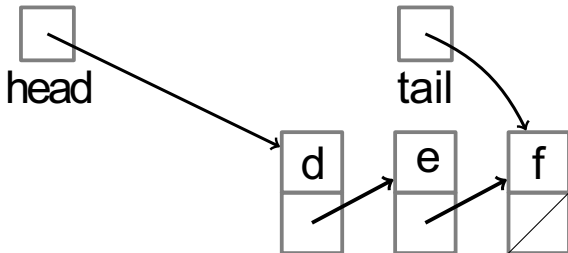
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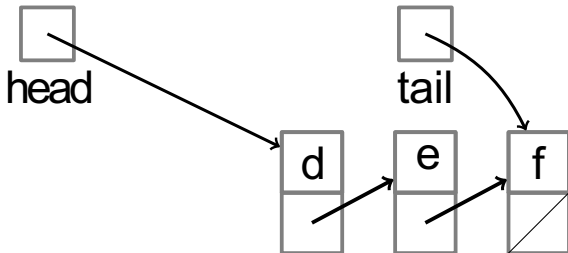


Dequeue () \rightarrow c

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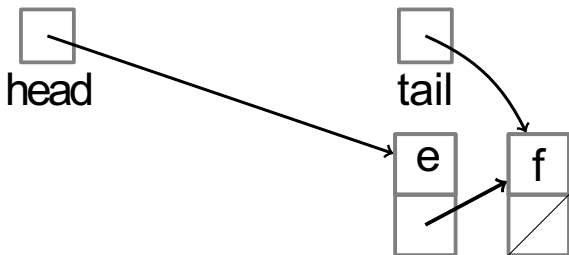


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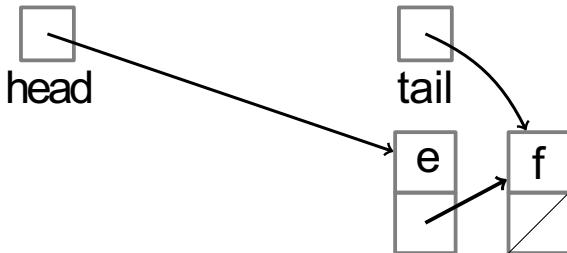
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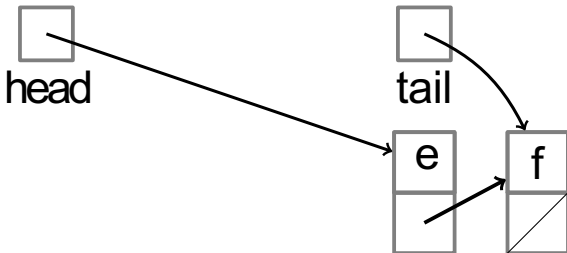


Dequeue () \rightarrow d

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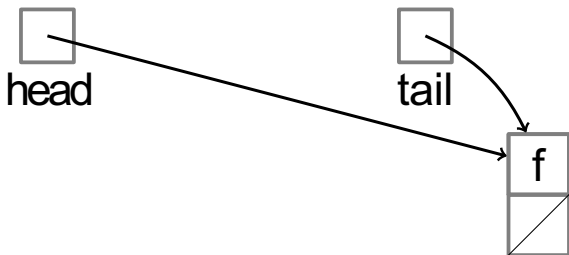


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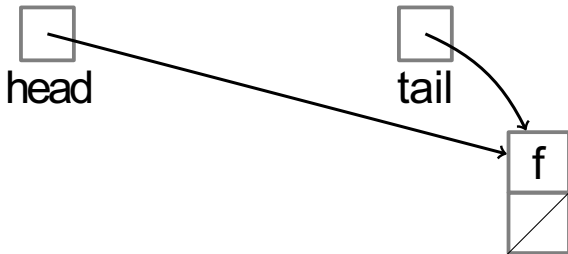
Dequeue ()

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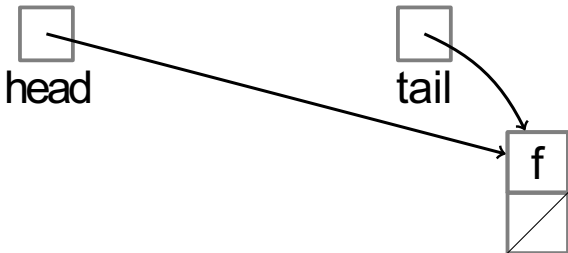


Dequeue () \rightarrow e

Queue Implementation with Linked List



Queue Implementation with Linked List



Dequeue ()

Queue Implementation with Linked List



head



tail

Dequeue () \rightarrow f

Queue Implementation with Linked List



head



tail

Queue Implementation with Linked List



head



tail

Empty()

Queue Implementation with Linked List



head



tail

`Empty()` \rightarrow `True`

Queue Implementation with Linked List



head



tail

Queue Implementation with Linked List

- Enqueue: **use** `List.PushBack`

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and `List.PopFront`

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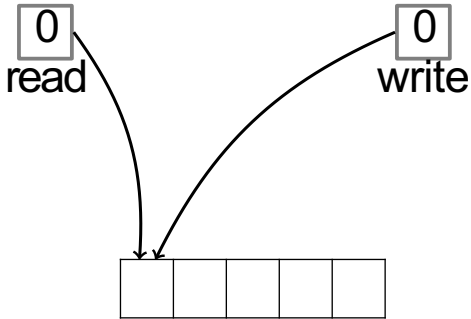
- Enqueue: **use** `List.PushBack`
- Dequeue: **use** `List.TopFront`
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- Empty: **use** `List.Empty`

Question

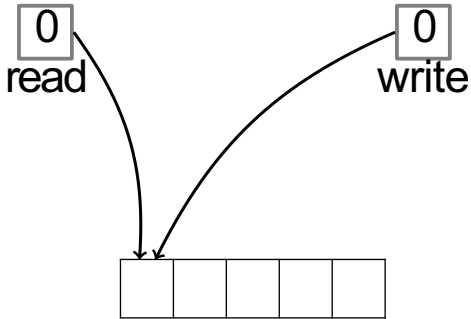
What would happen if we used `List.PushFront` to implement `Enqueue` and `List.TopBack` and `List.PopBack` to implement `Dequeue`?

- a) The queue would work correctly, but `Dequeue` would be $O(n)$ time if the list were singly-linked with a tail pointer.
- b) The queue would work correctly if the list were singly-linked with a tail pointer.
- c) The queue would work correctly.
- d) The queue wouldn't work right
- e) The queue would work correctly if the list were doubly-linked with a tail pointer.
- f) The queue would work correctly, but `Dequeue` would be $O(n)$ time if the list were doubly-linked with a tail pointer.

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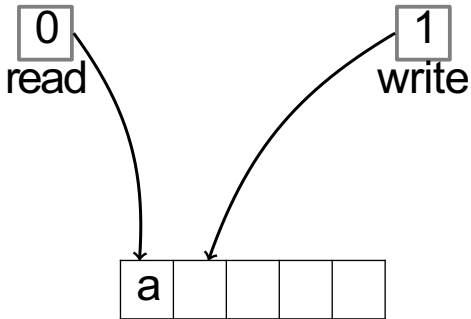


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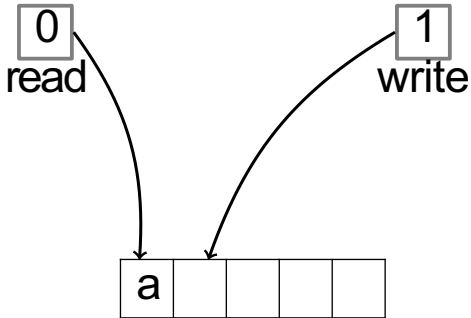
Enqueue(a)

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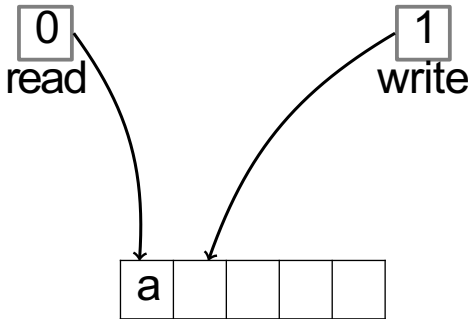


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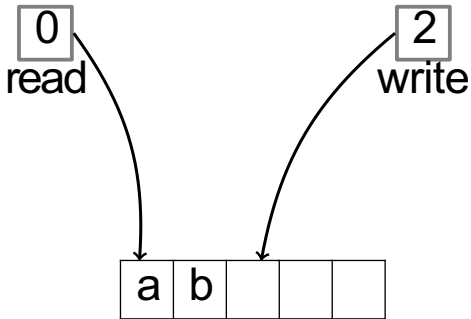


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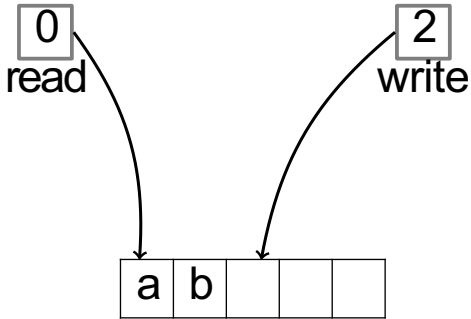
Enqueue (b)

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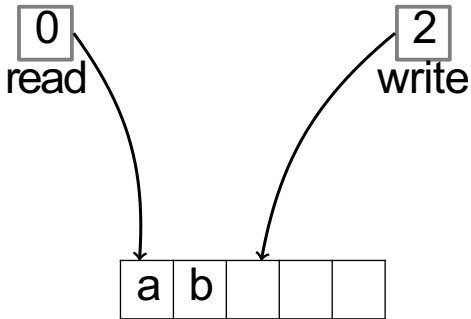


Enqueue (b)

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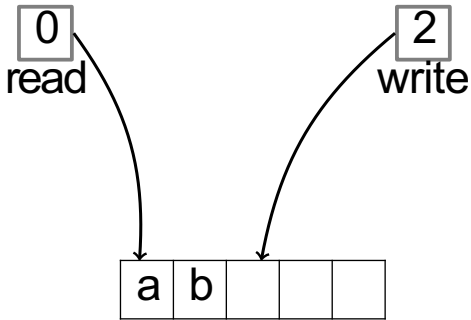


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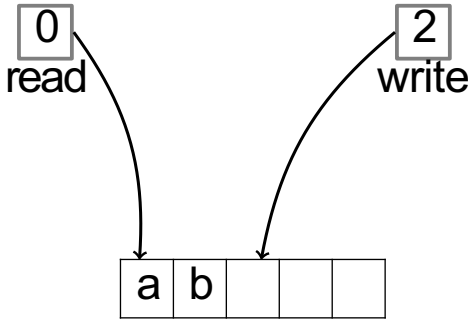
Empty()

Queue Implementation with Array

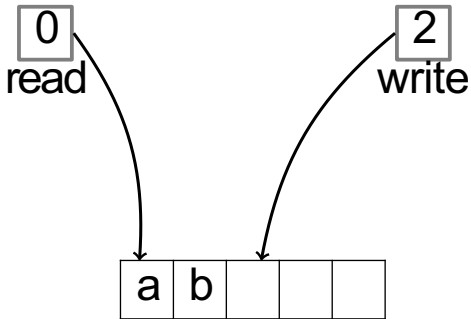


`Empty() → False`

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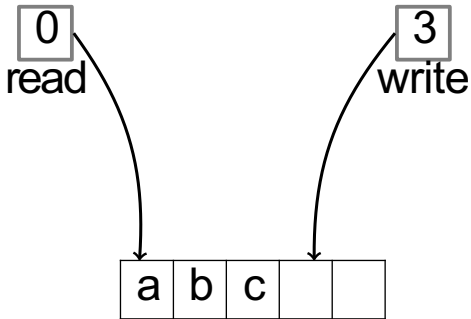


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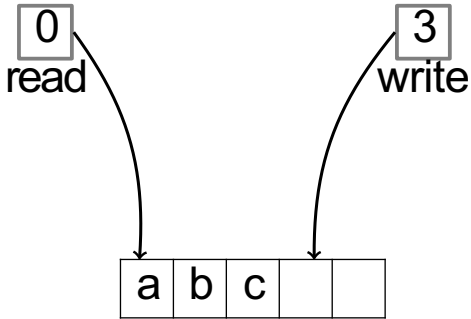
Enqueue (c)

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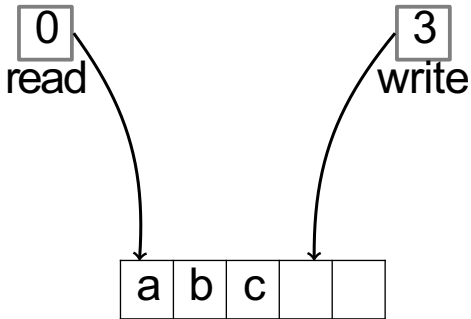


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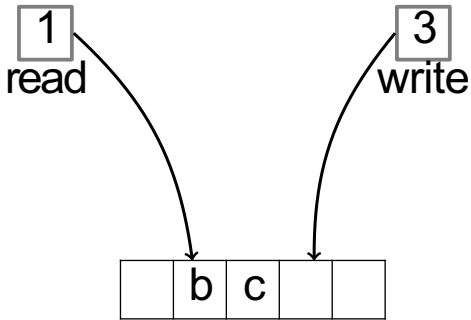


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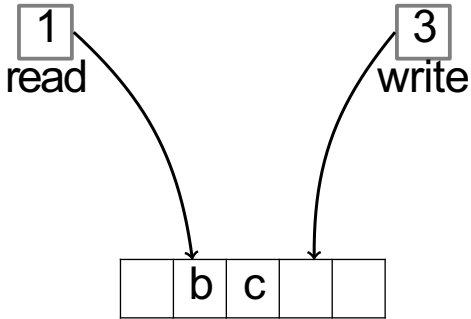
Dequeue ()

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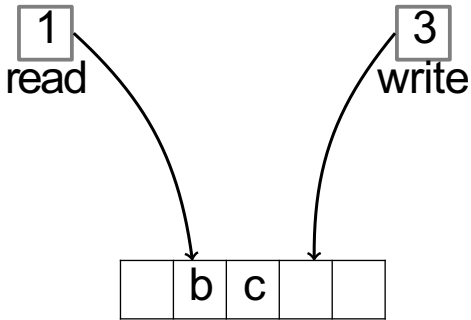


Dequeue () \rightarrow a

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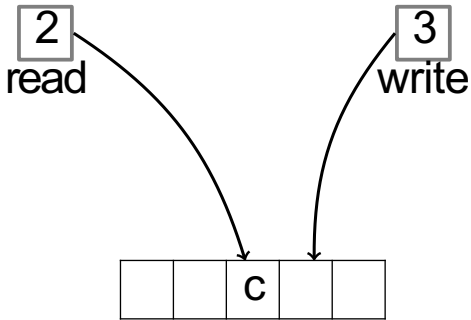


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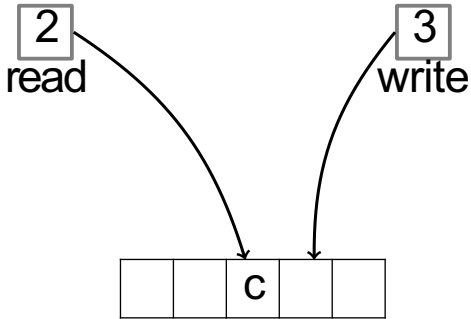
Dequeue ()

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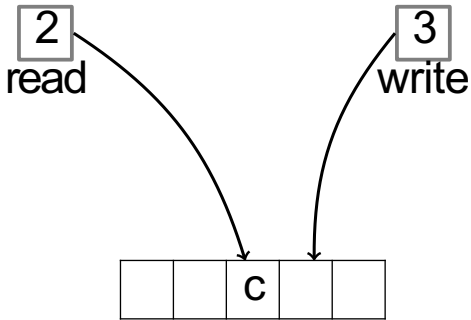


Dequeue () \rightarrow b

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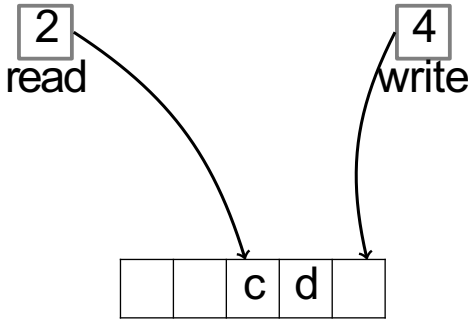


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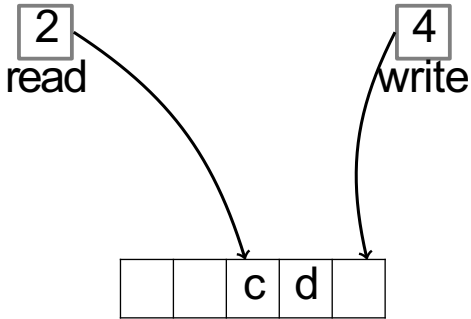
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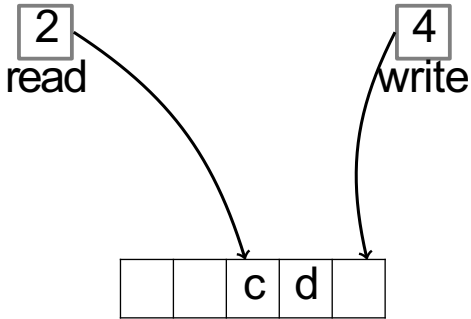


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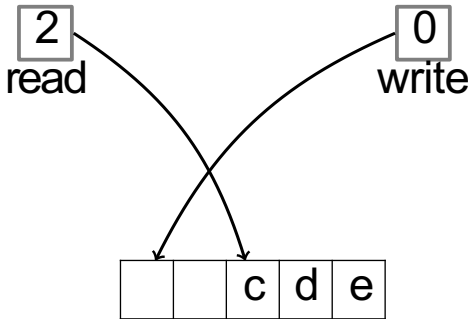


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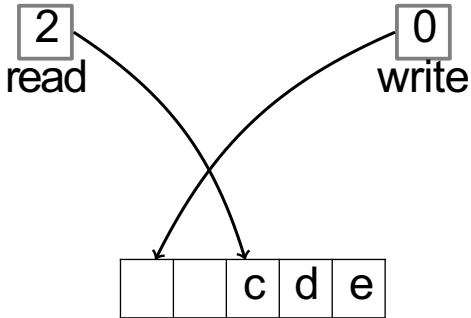
Enqueue (e)

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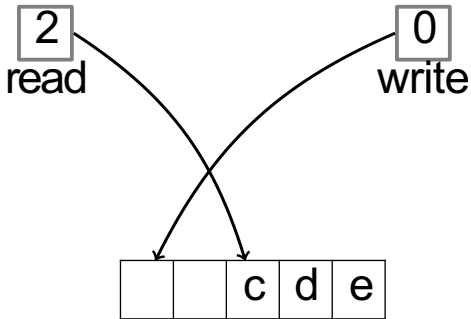


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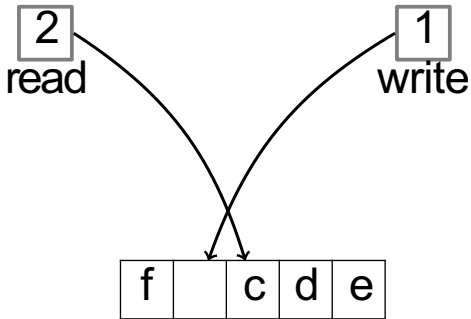


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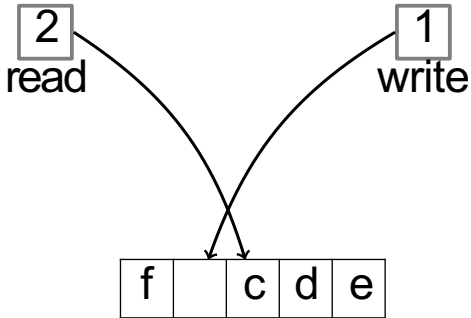
Enqueue (f)

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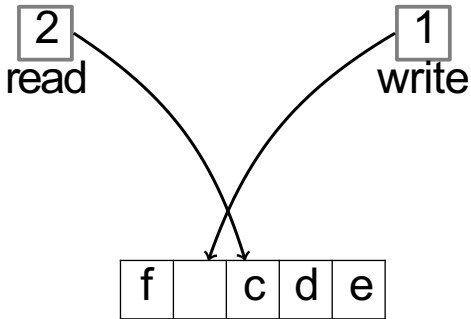


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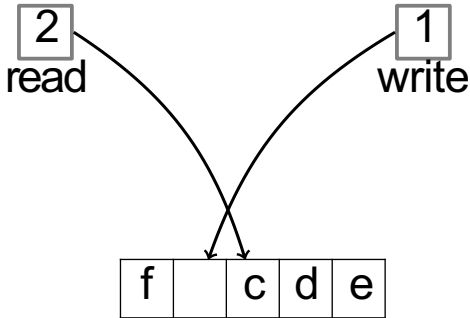


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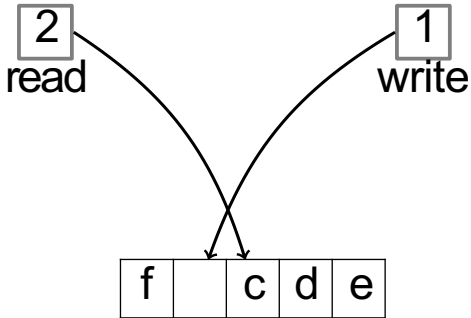
Enqueue (g)

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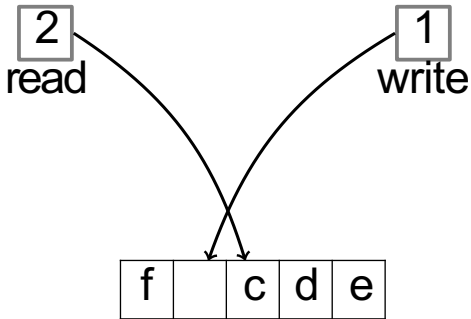


Enqueue (g) \rightarrow ERROR

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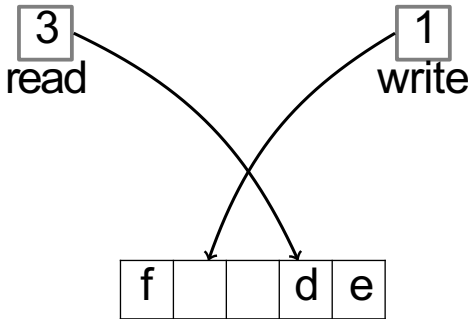


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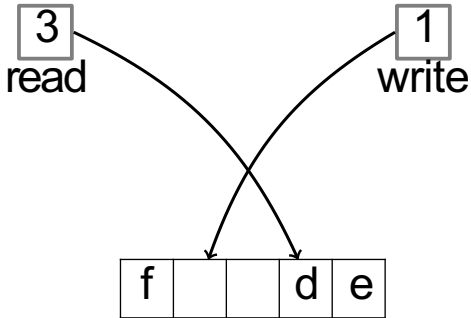
Dequeue ()

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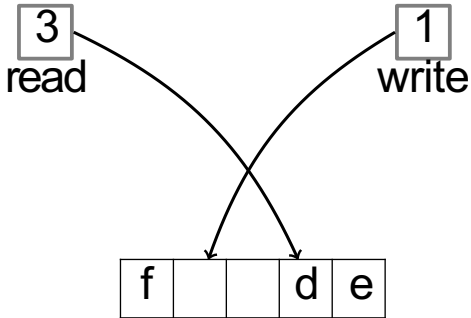


Dequeue () \rightarrow c

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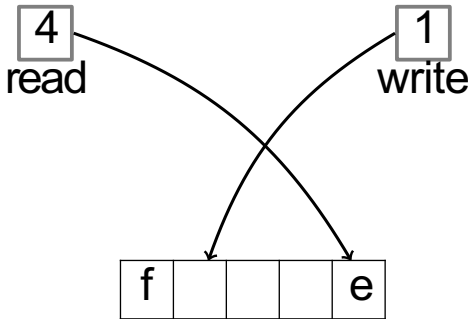


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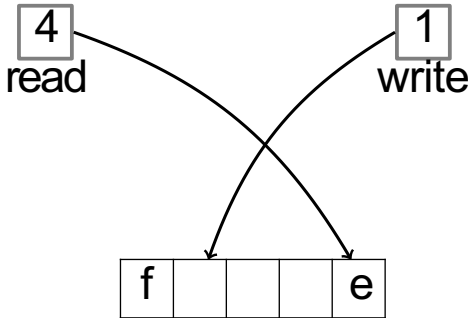
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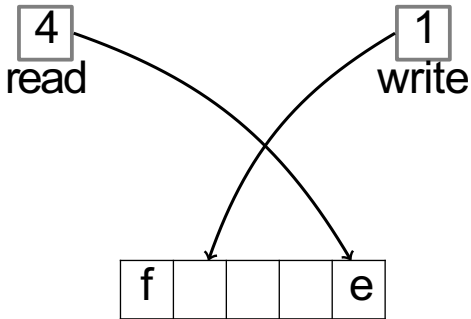


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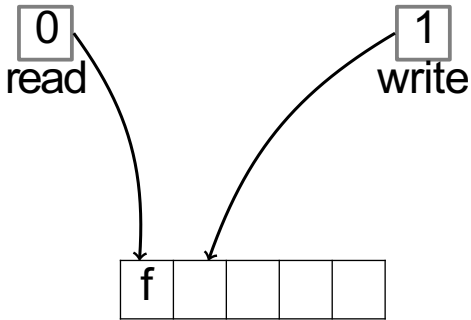


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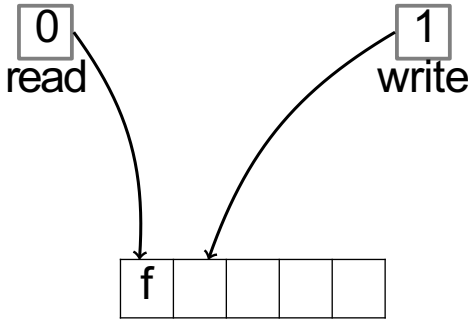
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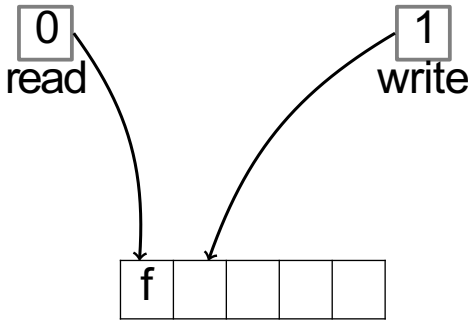


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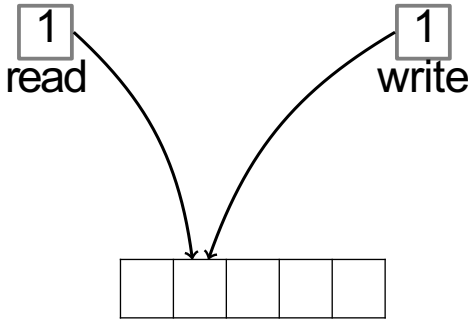


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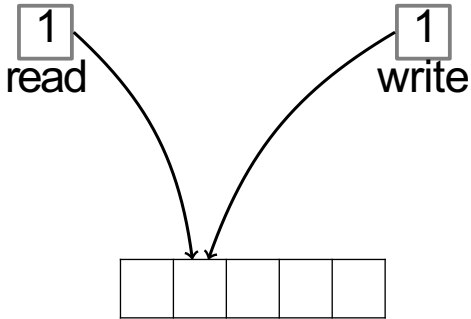
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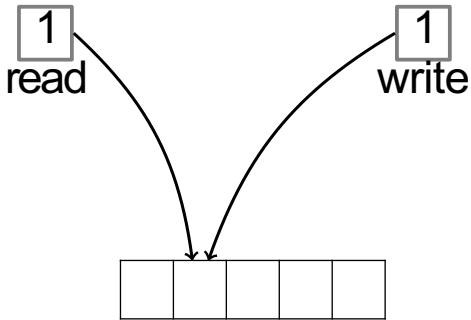


Dequeue () \rightarrow f

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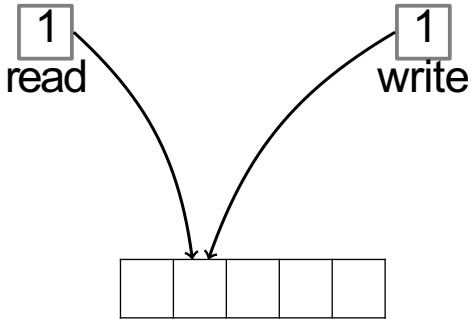


Queue Implementation with Array



`Empty()`

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`Empty() → True`

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