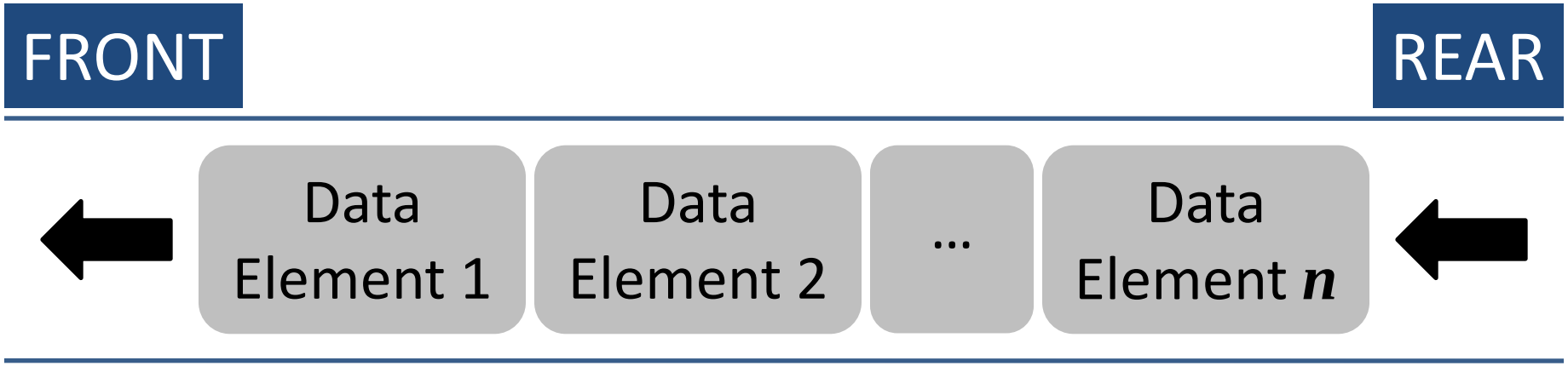
Queues

Introduction

- First in, first out (FIFO) structure (equivalent to Last in, last out (LILO) structure).
- An ordered list of homogeneous elements in which
  - Insertions take place at one end (REAR).
  - Deletions take place at the other end (FRONT).



Operations

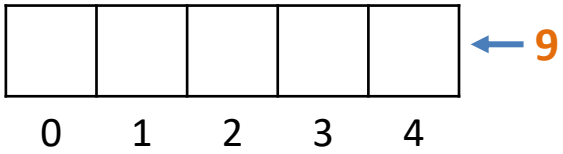
- Two primary operations:
  - **enqueue()** – Adds an element to the ***rear*** of a queue.
  - **dequeue()** – Removes the ***front*** element of the queue.
- Other operations for effective functionality:
  - **isFull()** – Check if queue is full. ***OVERFLOW***
  - **isEmpty()** – Check if queue is empty. ***UNDERFLOW***
  - **size()** – Returns the number of elements in the queue.
  - **peek()** – Returns the element at the front of the queue.

Queue – Enqueue

enqueue(9)

front = -1

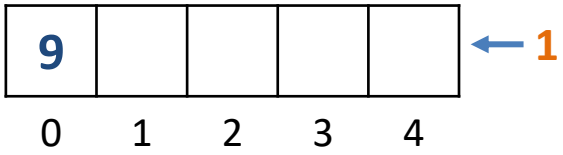
rear = -1



enqueue(1)

front = 0

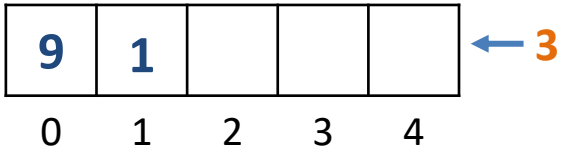
rear = 0



enqueue(3)

front = 0

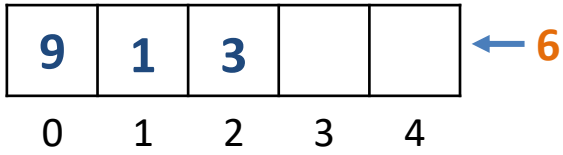
rear = 1



enqueue(6)

front = 0

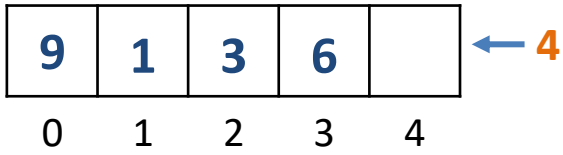
rear = 2



enqueue(4)

front = 0

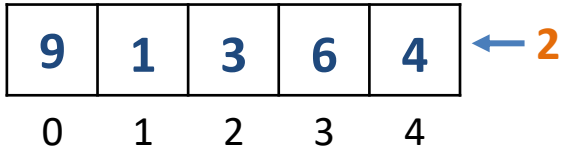
rear = 3



enqueue(2)

front = 0

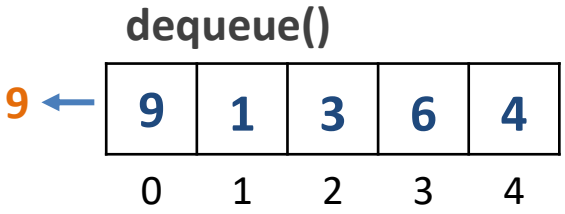
rear = 4



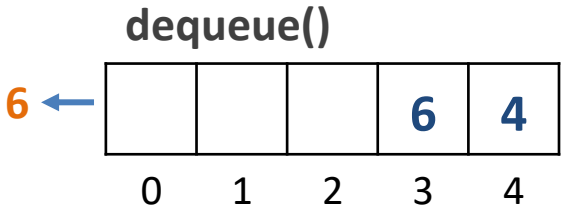
OVERFLOW

The queue is full, no more elements can be added. **OVERFLOW**

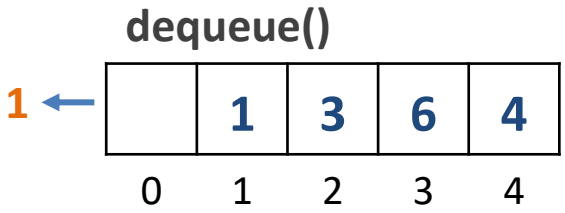
Queue – Dequeue



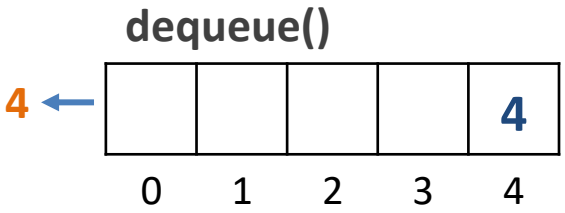
front = 0
rear = 4



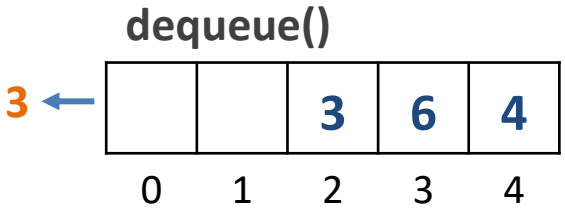
front = 3
rear = 4



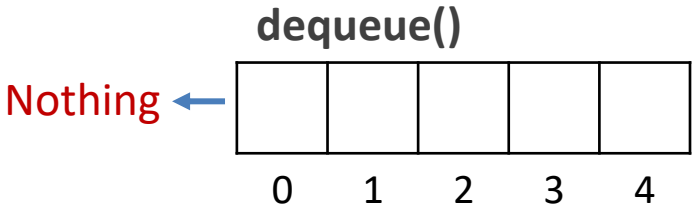
front = 1
rear = 4



front = 4
rear = 4



front = 2
rear = 4



front = 5
rear = 4

UNDERFLOW

The queue is empty, no element can be removed. **UNDERFLOW**

Queue as an ADT

- A queue is an ordered list of elements of same data type.
- Elements are always inserted at one end (rear) and deleted from another end (front).
- Following are its basic operations:
  - ***Q = init()*** – Initialize an empty queue.
  - ***size()*** – Returns the number of elements in the queue.
  - ***isEmpty(Q)*** – Returns "true" if and only if the queue Q is empty, i.e., contains no elements.

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- ***isFull(Q)*** – Returns "true" if and only if the queue Q has a bounded size and holds the maximum number of elements it can.
- ***front(Q)*** – Returns the element at the front of the queue Q.
- ***Q = enqueue(Q,x)*** – Inserts an element x at the rear of the queue Q.
- ***Q = dequeue(Q)*** – Removes an element from the front of the queue Q.
- ***print(Q)*** – Prints the elements of the queue Q from front to rear.

Implementation

- Using static arrays
  - Realizes queues of a maximum possible size.
  - Front is maintained at the smallest index and rear at the maximum index values in the array.

- Using dynamic linked lists
  - Choose beginning of the list as the front and tail as rear of the queue.

Static Array Implementation

Enqueue Operation

- Let,
  - QUEUE be an array with N locations.
  - FRONT and REAR points to the front and rear of the QUEUE.
  - ITEM is the value to be inserted.

```
1.  If (REAR == N – 1)
2.          Print[Overflow]
3.  Else
4.          If (FRONT == -1 && REAR == -1)
5.                  Set FRONT = 0 and REAR = 0.
6.          Else
7.                  Set REAR = REAR + 1.
8.          QUEUE[REAR] = ITEM.
```

Dequeue Operation

- Let,
  - QUEUE be an array with N locations.
  - FRONT and REAR points to the front and rear of the QUEUE.
  - ITEM holds the value to be deleted.

1. If (FRONT == -1 || FRONT > REAR)
2. Print[Underflow]
3. Else
4. ITEM = QUEUE[FRONT]
5. Set FRONT = FRONT + 1

Static Array Implementation

```
1.  #define MAXLEN 100

2.  typedef struct
3.  {   int element[MAXLEN];
4.      int front, rear; } queue;

5.  queue init ()
6.  {   queue Q;
7.      Q.front = Q.rear = -1;
8.      return Q; }

9.  int size( queue Q )
10. { return ( Q.rear – Q.front + 1 );  }

11. int isEmpty ( queue Q )
12. {    return ((Q.front == -1) ||
                 (Q.front > Q.rear)); }

13. int isFull ( queue Q )
14. {   return (Q. rear == MAXLEN - 1);  }

15. int front ( queue Q )
16. {   if (isEmpty(Q))
17.         printf("Empty queue\n");
18.     else
19.         return Q.element[Q.front]; }
```

Contd…

```
20. queue enqueue ( queue Q , int x )
21. {    if (isFull(Q))
22.          printf("OVERFLOW\n");
23.      else if (isEmpty(Q))
24.      {   Q.front = Q.rear = 0;
25.          Q.element[Q.rear] = x;
26.      }
27.      else
28.      {   ++Q.rear;
29.          Q.element[Q.rear] = x;
30.      }
31.      return Q; }
```

```
32. queue dequeue ( queue Q )
33. {    if (isEmpty(Q))
34.          printf("UNDERFLOW\n");
35.      else
36.          Q.front++;
37.      return Q; }
```

Contd…

```
38. void print ( queue Q )
39. {      int i;
40.         for (i = Q.front; i <= Q.rear; i++)
41.              printf("%d ",Q.element[i]); }

42. int main ()
43. {   queue Q;
44.      Q = init();
45.      Q = enqueue(Q,5);
46.      Q = enqueue(Q,3);
47.      Q = dequeue(Q);
48.      Q = enqueue(Q,7);
49.      Q = dequeue(Q);
50.  printf("Current queue : "); print(Q);
51.  printf(" with front = %d.\n", front(Q));
52.  Q = enqueue(Q,9);
53.  Q = enqueue(Q,3);
54.  Q = enqueue(Q,1);
55. printf("Current queue : "); print(Q);
56. printf(" with front = %d.\n", front(Q));
57.  printf("Size is %d.",size(Q));
58. return 0;    }
```

Dynamic Linked List Implementation

Enqueue Operation

- Let,
  - FRONT and REAR points to the front and rear of the QUEUE.
  - ITEM is the value to be inserted.

1. Create a node pointer (temp).
2. temp[data] = ITEM.
3. temp[next] = NULL.
4. If FRONT == NULL
5. FRONT = REAR = temp.
6. Else
7. REAR[next] = temp.
8. REAR = temp.

Dequeue Operation

- Let,
  - FRONT and REAR points to the front and rear of the QUEUE.
  - temp points to the element deleted from the front of the queue.

```
1.  if (FRONT == NULL)
2.          Print [Underflow]
3.  else
4.          Initialize a node pointer (temp) with FRONT.
5.          if (FRONT == REAR)
6.                  FRONT = REAR = NULL
7.          else
8.                  FRONT = FRONT[next]
9.          Release the memory location pointed by temp.
```

Dynamic Linked List Implementation

```
1. struct node
2. {   int data;
3.     struct node *next, *prev;
4. } *front, *rear;

5. void init()
6. {   front = rear = NULL;  }
```

Contd…

```
7.  void enqueue(int num)
8.  { struct node *temp = (struct node *) malloc (sizeof(struct node));
9.     temp -> data = num;
10.   if(front == NULL)
11.   {    temp -> prev = temp;
12.        temp -> next = temp;
13.        front = rear = temp;  }
14.   else
15.   {     temp -> prev = rear;
16.         rear -> next = temp;
17.         temp -> next = front;
18.        front -> prev = temp;
19.        rear = temp;    }        }
```

Contd…

```
20. void dequeue()
21. {   if(front == NULL)
22.       printf("\nQueue is empty.\n");
23.     else
24.     {   struct node *temp = front;
25.         if (front == rear)
26.                 front = rear = NULL;
27.         else
28.         {       rear -> next = front -> next;
29.                 front = front -> next;
30.                 front -> prev = rear;    }
31.    free(temp);       }          }
```

Contd…

```
33. void print()
34. {  printf("\nfront --> ");
35.    if (front != NULL)
36.    {  struct node *temp = front;
37.       while(temp != rear)
38.       {  printf("%d --> ",temp->data);
39.          temp = temp->next;    }
40.       printf("%d --> ",temp->data);
41.    }   printf("rear\n");
42. }
```

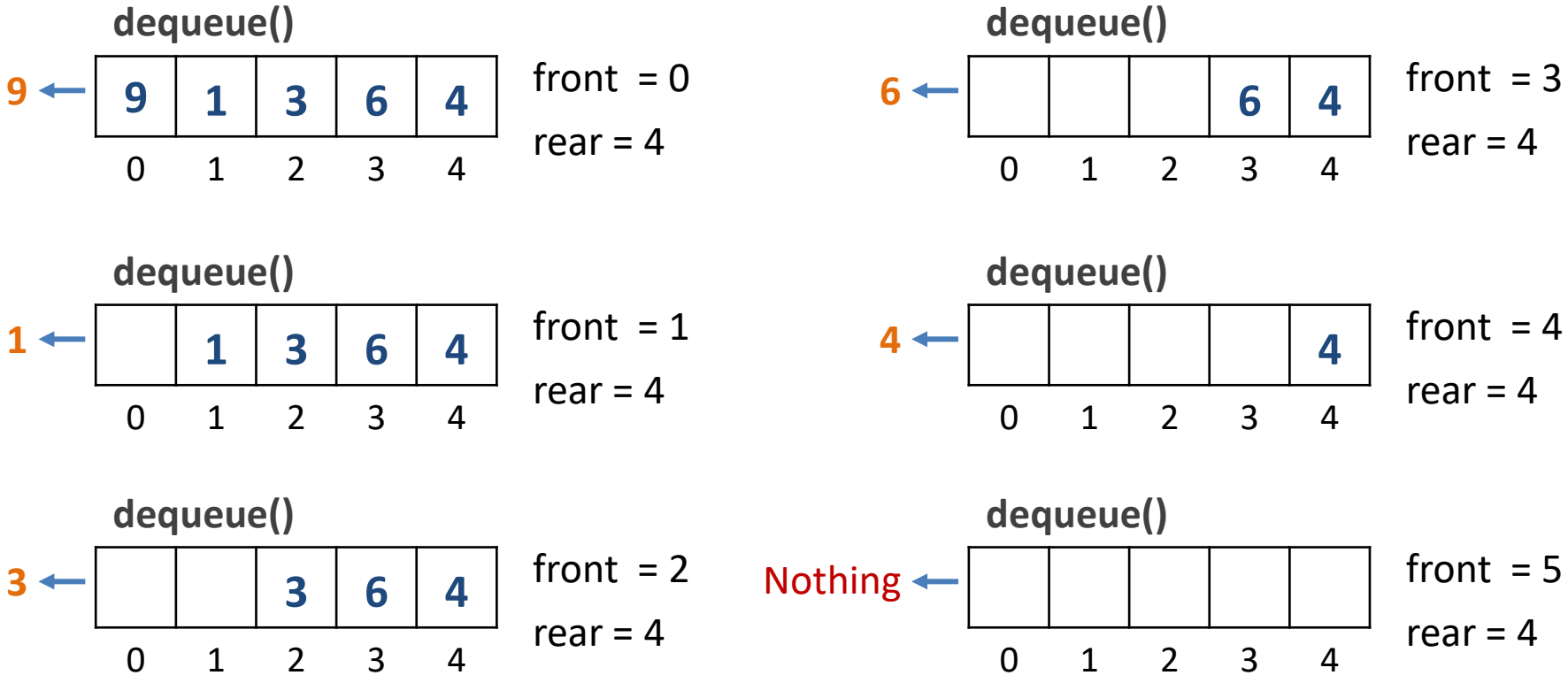
```
Current queue :
front --> 7 --> rear
Current queue :
front --> 7 --> 9 --> 3 --> 1 --> rear
```

```
43. int main ()
44. {    init();
45.      enqueue(5);   enqueue(3);
46.      dequeue();
47.      enqueue(7);
48.      dequeue();
49.      printf("Current queue : ");
50.      print();
51.      enqueue(9);   enqueue(3);
52.      enqueue(1);
53.      printf("Current queue : ");
54.      print();
55.      return 0;
56. }
```

Queues

Variants

Problem with Simple Queues



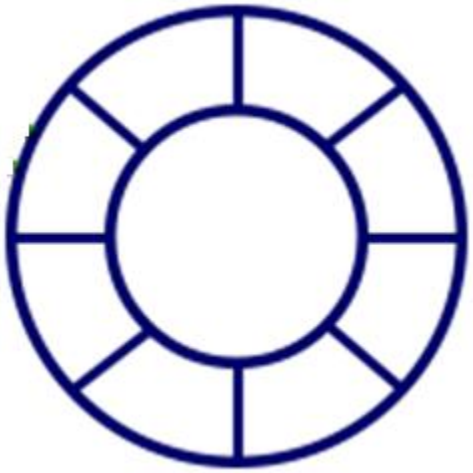
The queue is empty, still no element can be added as **REAR = N-1** (Queue Full)

Circular Queues

- The front and rear ends of a queue are joined to make the queue circular.
- Also known as circular buffer, circular queue, cyclic buffer or ring buffer.
- Overflow

  front == (rear+1) % MAXLEN
- Underflow

  (front == rear) && (rear == -1)



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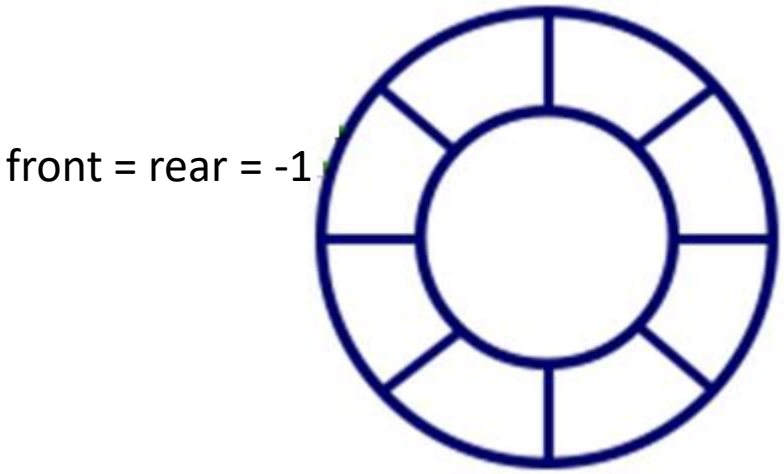
- Overflow

  front == (rear+1) % 8

- **Underflow**

  (front == rear) && (rear == -1)



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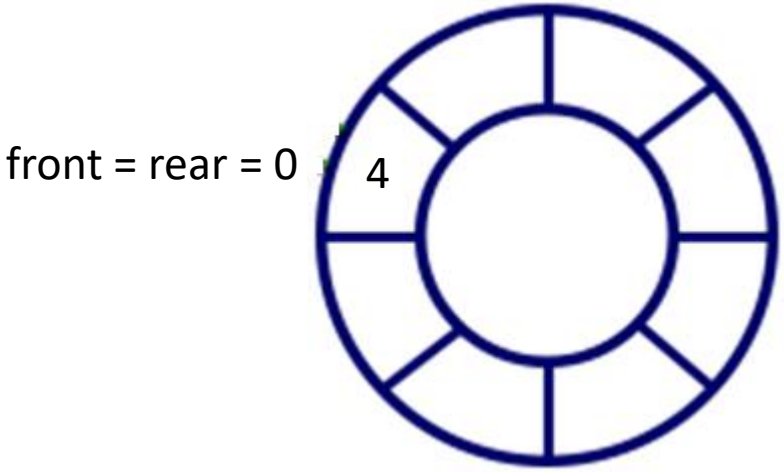

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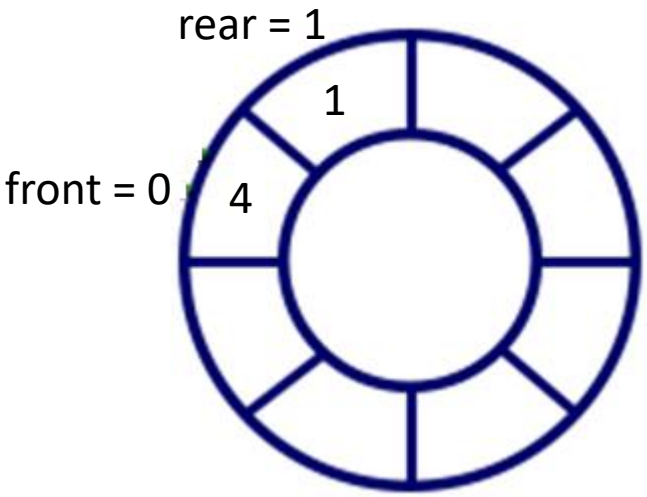

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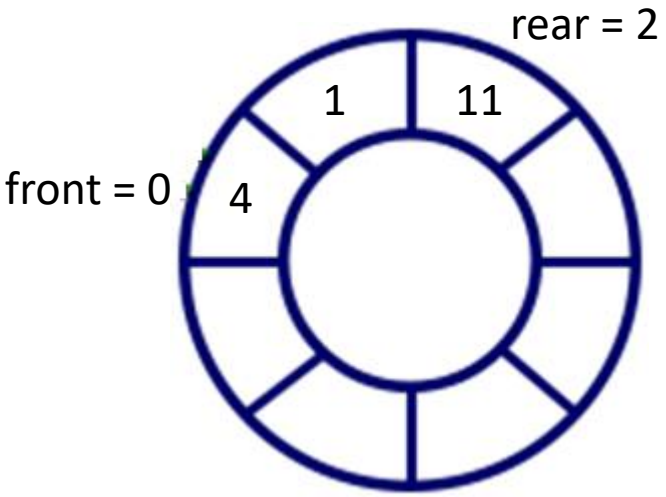

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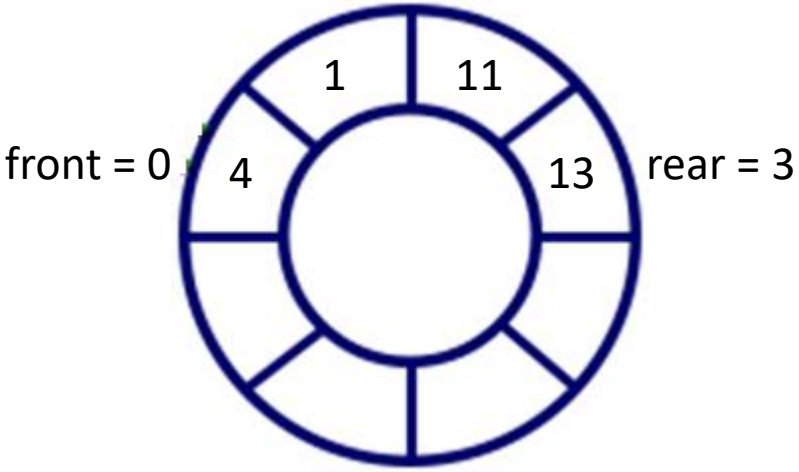

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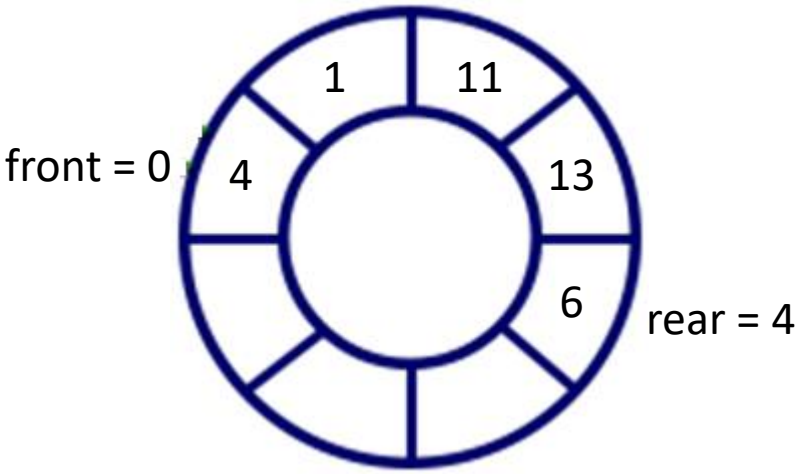

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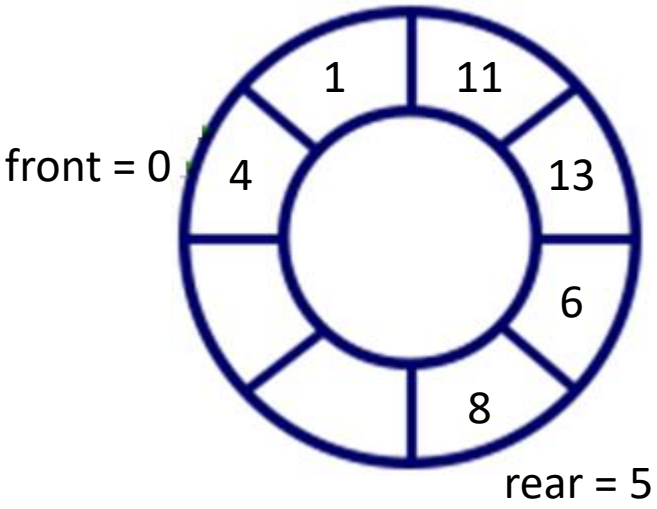

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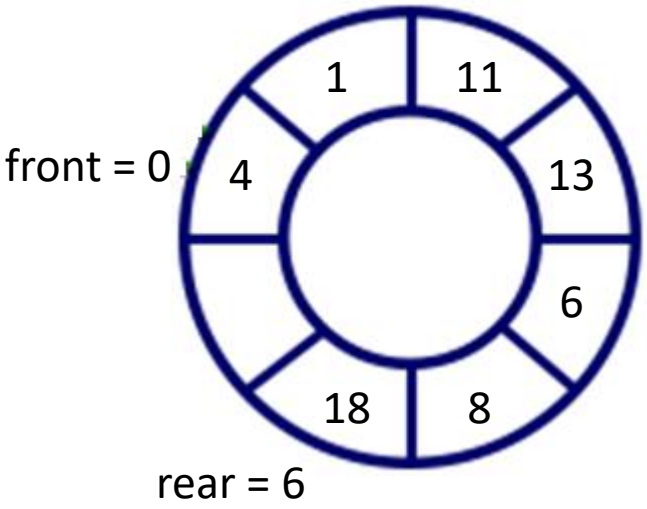

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- **Overflow**

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- Underflow

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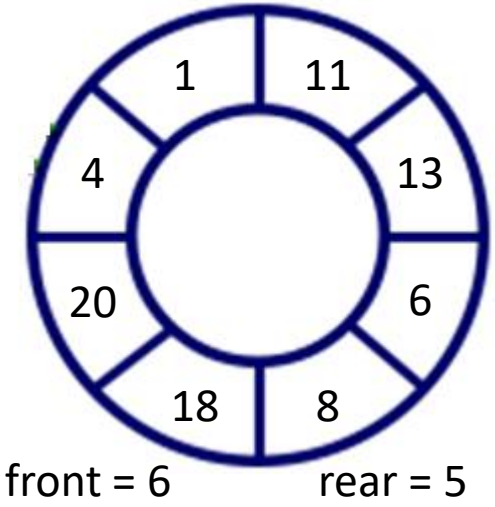

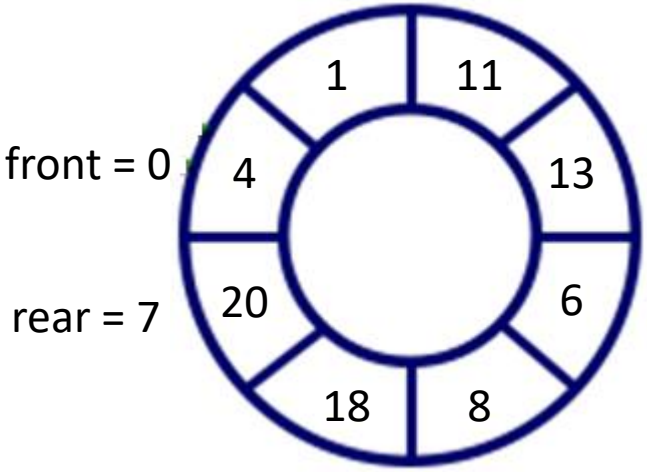

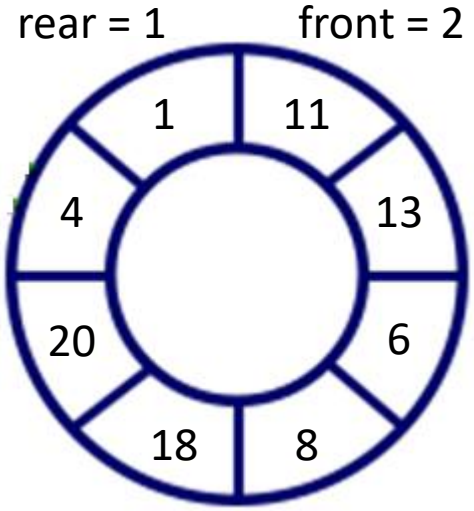

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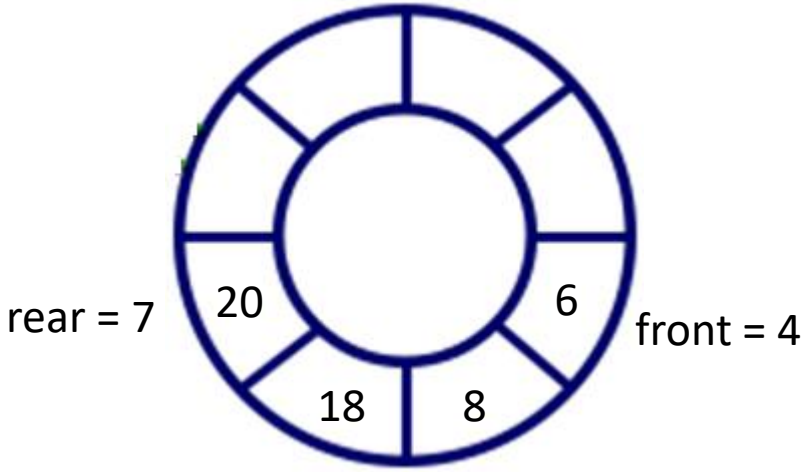

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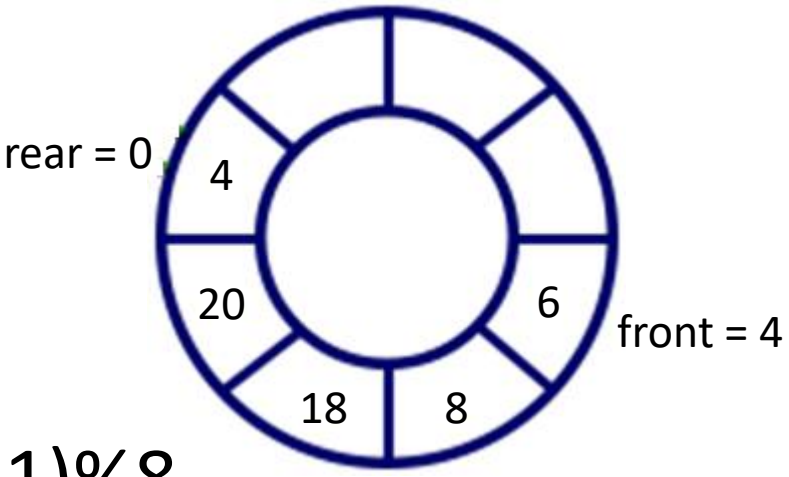

REAR = (REAR+1)%8

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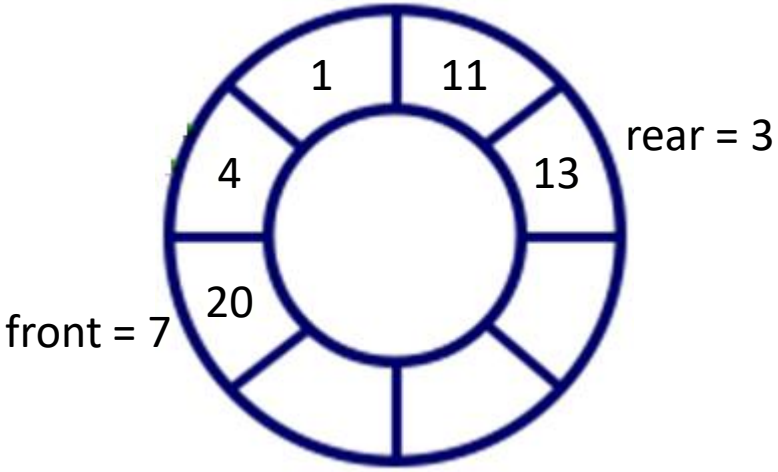

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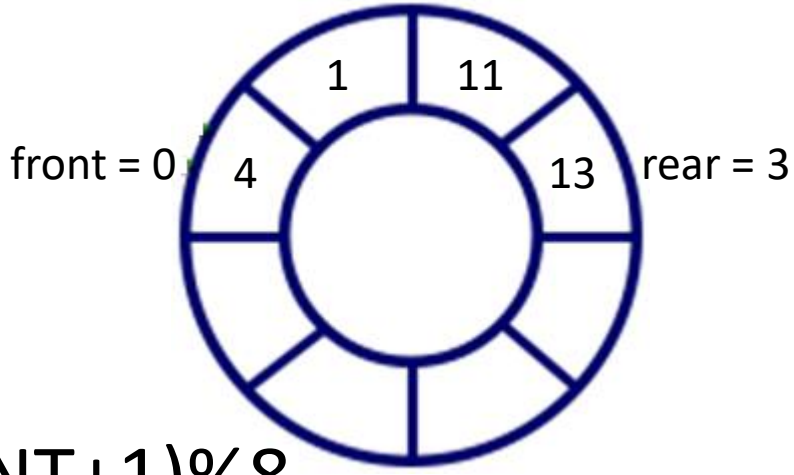

FRONT = (FRONT+1)%8

Enqueue Operation

- Let,
  - QUEUE be an array with MAX locations.
  - FRONT and REAR points to the front and rear of the QUEUE.
  - ITEM is the value to be inserted.

```
1.  if (FRONT == (REAR+1)%MAX)
2.          Print [Overflow]
3.  else
4.          Set REAR = (REAR+1)%MAX
5.          Set QUEUE[REAR] = element
6.          If (FRONT == -1 )
7.                  Set FRONT = 0
```

Dequeue Operation

- Let,
  - QUEUE be an array with MAX locations.
  - FRONT and REAR points to the front and rear of the QUEUE.
  - ITEM holds the value to be deleted.

```
1.  if ((FRONT == REAR) && (REAR == -1))
2.          Print [Underflow]
3.  else
4.          ITEM = Q[FRONT]
5.          If (FRONT == REAR)
6.                  FRONT = REAR = -1
7.          Else
8.                  FRONT = (FRONT + 1) % MAX
```

Deque

- **D**ouble-**e**nded **que**ue.
- Generalization of queue data structure.
- Elements can be added to or removed from either of the two ends.
- A hybrid linear structure that provides all the capabilities of stacks and queues in a single data structure.
- Does not require the LIFO and FIFO orderings.

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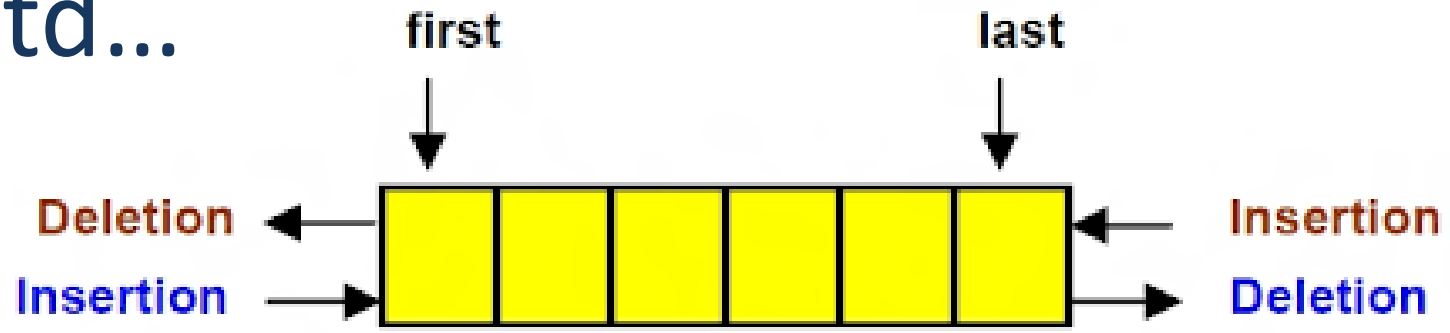

Types

- Input-restricted deque.
  - Deletion can be made from both ends, but insertion can be made at one end only.
- Output-restricted deque.
  - Insertion can be made at both ends, but deletion can be made from one end only.

Priority Queues

- Another variant of queue data structure.
- Each element has an associated priority.
- Insertion may be performed based on the priority.
- Deletion is performed based on the priority.
- Elements having the same priority are served or deleted according to first come first serve order.
- Two types:
  - Min-priority queues (Ascending priority queues)
  - Max-priority queues (Descending priority queues)

Implementation

- Array representation: Unordered and Ordered
- Linked-list representations: Unordered and Ordered
- Unordered does not consider priority during insertion, instead insertion takes place at the end.
- Ordered considers priority during insertion and inserts an element at correct place as per min or max priority.
- Note
  - Either insertion or deletion take linear time in the worst case.
  - Priority queues are often implemented with heaps.

Example

Element to be deleted is replaced with the last array element.

Operation	Argument	Return Value	Size	Contents	
				Unordered	Ordered (Ascending)
Insert	P		1	**P**	**P**
Insert	Q		2	P **Q**	P **Q**
Insert	E		3	P Q **E**	**E** P Q
Remove MAX		**Q**	2	P E	E P
Insert	X		3	P E **X**	E P **X**
Insert	A		4	P E X **A**	**A** E P X
Insert	M		5	P E X A **M**	A E **M** P X
Remove MIN		**A**	4	P E X M	E M P X