

Enqueue

Add an element to the end of a queue

#include <OSUtils.h>

Operating System Utilities

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void      Enqueue(qEntry, theQueue);
QElemPtr qEntry ;      address of a queue element
QHdrPtr   theQueue ;    address of a queue header
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Enqueue adds an element to the end of a linked list known as a queue. The element itself (and not a copy) is hooked into the queue.

qEntry is the address of a variable-length QElem structure whose size and contents depend upon the type of queue. This packet contains a place for the queue linkage, the queue type, and the data of the queue element itself.

theQueue is the address of a 10-byte QHdr structure. This structure contains information about the queue - some type-specific flags and pointers to the first and last element in the queue.

Returns: none

Notes: The Macintosh Operating System uses queues to store and track such items as keyboard and mouse events, vertical retrace tasks, file I/O requests, and so forth.

Enqueue causes *theQueue* -> *qTail* and the previously-last queue element's *qLink* field to be updated to point to *qEntry*. The effect is that if you trace the queue links from start to finish, you will see all queue elements, including the newly-added element.

The **Enqueue** routine turns off interrupts for critical sections of its code. This makes it ideal for queue management for interrupt-driven programs which need to be concerned about simultaneous execution and deadlock.

For system-defined queues such as the event queue and vertical retrace task queue, *qEntry* must be one of the following predefined data types:

Struct Name	constant	value	Description
<u>VBLTask</u>	<u>vType</u>	1	vertical retrace task queue
<u>ParamBlockRec</u>	<u>ioQType</u>	2	file I/O or driver I/O queue
<u>DrvQE</u>	<u>drvQType</u>	3	drive queue
<u>EvQE</u>	<u>evType</u>	4	event queue
<u>VCB</u>	<u>fsQType</u>	5	volume control-block queue

For custom queues, the queue element structure must begin with 10 bytes - space for a "next element" pointer and a type code. Otherwise, the size and contents of the queue element are user-defined.

The following example uses **Enqueue** and **Dequeue** to manage a list of "bullets" in an arcade-style game. It initializes a queue header, adds some bullets to the queue, and repeatedly calls a routine that goes down the list, updating the screen positions of the bullets. When a bullet goes off-screen,

it is removed from the queue.

Example

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#include <OSUtils.h>
#define MAX_BULLETS 5

typedef struct BulletQEI {
    struct BulletQEI *qLink;
    short    qType;           /* 0 for custom type */
    Rect    curLoc;           /* current location */
    short    xMove, yMove;     /* motion vectors */
    short    refCon;           /* holds array index */
} BulletQEI, *BulletQEIPtr;

QHdr    bulletQHdr;           /* the queue header */
BulletQEI theBullets[MAX_BULLETS]; /* array of queue elements */

BulletTest()
{
    /* initialize the queue header */
    bulletQHdr.qFlags=0;        /* bits to find open array elements */
    bulletQHdr.qHead=0;
    bulletQHdr.qTail=0;

    AddBullet( 100,100, 5,3 );   /* enqueue some bullets */
    AddBullet( 100,110, 2,4 );
    AddBullet( 100,120, 20,0 );

    while ( 1 ) {                /* assumes external exit */
        UpdateBullets();         /* track and draw each element */
    }
}
/* ----- */
AddBullet( x,y, xv,yv )
short x,y, xv,yv;
{
    short    j, availBullet;
    BulletQEI *aBullet;

    availBullet=-1;
    for (j=0; j<MAX_BULLETS; j++ ) {
        if ( (bulletQHdr.qFlags & (1<<j)) == 0 ) {
            availBullet=j;
            break;
        }
    }
    if (availBullet == -1) return(1); /* no openings */

    bulletQHdr.qFlags |= (1 << availBullet ); /* indicate slot is in use */
    aBullet = &theBullets[availBullet];
    SetRect( &aBullet->curLoc, x,y, x+5,y+5 ); /* initialize */
    aBullet->xMove=xv;
    aBullet->yMove=yv;
    aBullet->refCon=availBullet;
    Enqueue( aBullet, &bulletQHdr ); /* put in queue */
}
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}
/* ----- */
UpdateBullets()
{
    short j;
    BulletQEI *aBullet;

    aBullet = (BulletQEIPtr)bulletQHdr.qHead;
    while ( aBullet != 0 ) {
        EraseRect( &aBullet->curLoc );
        OffsetRect(&aBullet->curLoc,aBullet->xMove,aBullet->yMove);
        if ( !PtInRect( topLeft(aBullet->curLoc),&thePort->portRect) ){
            Dequeue( aBullet, &bulletQHdr ); /* remove and mark it... */
            bulletQHdr.qFlags &= ~(1 << aBullet->refCon ); /* ...as open */
        }
        else {
            FillRect( &aBullet->curLoc, black ); /* draw at new location */
        }
        aBullet = aBullet->qLink; /* get next element in queue */
    }
}
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