

Assignment B: Stacks, Queues & Priority (Kotlin)

Due: Wednesday, Oct 15, 10:00 pm

Overview

You'll implement a **Stack** (LIFO), a **Linked Queue** (FIFO), and a **Priority Queue** using a binary *min-heap* to simulate different layoff policies. You'll also compute a **performance score** per employee, then reflect briefly on fairness/impact.

Given: `Employee.kt`, `Main.kt`, all unit tests, and `pom.xml`

You complete TODOs in:

- `Stack.kt`
- `LinkedList.kt`
- `Performance.kt` (implement one function)
- `PriorityQueue.kt` (heap + sort)

Data file: `data/assignment_b1.csv` (used by `Main.kt`)

Part 1 — Stack (LIFO)

Implement a singly-linked stack with the usual operations:

Kotlin

```
class Stack<T> {  
    private class Node<E>(val v: E, var next: Node<E>? = null)  
    private var head: Node<T>? = null  
    private var n = 0  
  
    fun push(item: T) { /* TODO */ }
```

```

    fun pop(): T { /* TODO */ }           // remove head; throw if
empty
    fun peek(): T? { /* TODO */ }         // null if empty
    fun isEmpty(): Boolean { /* TODO */ }
    fun size(): Int { /* TODO */ }
}

```

Notes:

- **push** adds at head; **pop** removes head and decrements size.
- Keep size (`n`) accurate; `peek()` returns `null` for empty.

Part 2 — Linked Queue (FIFO)

Implement a singly-linked queue with head/tail pointers:

```

Kotlin
class LinkedList<T> {
    private class Node<E>(val v: E, var next: Node<E>? = null)
    private var head: Node<T>? = null
    private var tail: Node<T>? = null
    private var n = 0

    fun enqueue(x: T) { /* TODO */ }       // add at tail
    fun dequeue(): T { /* TODO */ }       // remove head; throw if
empty
    fun peek(): T? { /* TODO */ }         // null if empty
    fun isEmpty(): Boolean { /* TODO */ }
    fun size(): Int { /* TODO */ }
}

```

Notes:

- When the queue becomes empty after `dequeue()`, set both `head` and `tail` to `null`.

Part 3 — Performance Score (exact rules)

Compute a 1..5 integer score (or `null` if insufficient signals).

Reviews (R): mean of present values among

- `selfEvaluation` (1..5)
- `peer360Feedback` (1..5)
- `managerFeedback` (1..5)
- `okr / 20` (maps 0..100 \rightarrow 0..5; then used as-is in the mean)

Behavior (B):

- Productivity = `problemsFixed / problemsAssigned`.
Skip if `problemsAssigned == 0` or missing. Value is in [0,1].
- `punctualityRate` is already in [0,1].
- Map any [0,1] signal to [1,5] via $1 + 4*v$.
- B is the average of available mapped signals (1–5 scale).

Combine:

- If both R and B exist: $0.7*R + 0.3*B$
- If only one exists: use it
- Round to nearest integer, then clamp to [1..5]
- If both missing, return `null`
(Missing values are skipped; do **not** default them to 0.)

Skeleton:

Kotlin

```
fun computePerformanceScore(e: Employee): Int? {  
    // Implement per rules above  
}
```

Part 4 — Priority Layoffs (Min-Heap)

Build a min-heap and sort with this two-key policy:

1. **Lower performance first.** Real scores 1..5 come before `null` (insufficient data).
2. **Higher cost next.** Missing/zero cost should not boost priority.

No extra tie-breakers; exact ties may appear in any order.

Keys:

Kotlin

```
private fun perfKey(e: Employee): Int = e.performanceScore ?:  
Int.MAX_VALUE  
  
private fun costKey(e: Employee): Int {  
    val c = e.costToCompany ?: 0  
    return if (c > 0) -c else Int.MAX_VALUE    // invert cost for  
min-heap; missing/zero = low priority  
}
```

Comparator idea for your heap:

Kotlin

```
val heap = MinHeap<Employee> { a, b ->  
    val ap = perfKey(a); val bp = perfKey(b)  
    if (ap != bp) ap < bp else {
```

```
        val ac = costKey(a); val bc = costKey(b)
        if (ac != bc) ac < bc else false
    }
}
```

CLI: `mvn exec:java -Dexec.args=priority` prints the ordered layoff list using your heap.

How to Run & Test

Run all tests:

Shell

```
mvn clean test
```

Run one test class:

Shell

```
mvn -Dtest=com.carleton.comps.StackTest test
mvn -Dtest=com.carleton.comps.QueueTest test
mvn -Dtest=com.carleton.comps.PerformanceScoreTest test
mvn -Dtest=com.carleton.comps.PriorityQueueTest test
```

Run the app (from repo root):

Shell

```
mvn exec:java -Dexec.args=lifo
mvn exec:java -Dexec.args=fifo
mvn exec:java -Dexec.args=priority
mvn exec:java -Dexec.args=dump
mvn exec:java -Dexec.args=all
```

Note: Ensure Java 17 is active (e.g., `mvn -v` shows Java 17).

Submission

- Complete TODOs in `Stack.kt`, `LinkedList.kt`, `Performance.kt`, `PriorityQueue.kt`.
- Include a short `REFLECTION.md` (2–5 sentences) on the fairness/impact of the three policies.