CS350: Data Structures

Queues

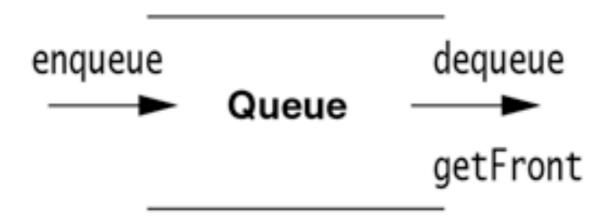
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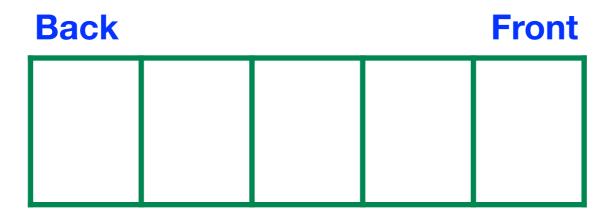
Queues

- Queues are another very common data structure that can be used for a variety of data storage purposes
- Similar to a line of people waiting for a ride at an amusement park
 - People enter the line/queue at the rear
 - People wait behind others that entered the line/queue before them
 - People exit from the front of the line/queue to get on the ride
 - People in the middle of the line/queue cannot get out without first advancing to the front of the line
 - There is no cutting
- May also be referred to as a FIFO (First-In-First-Out)

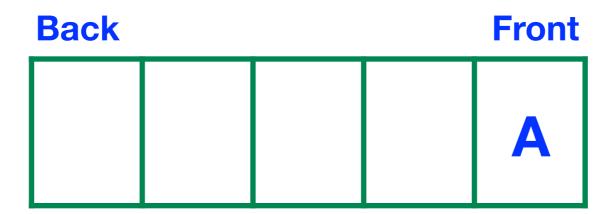
- Stacks have two main operations
 - Enqueue inserts an element into the back of the queue
 - **Dequeue** removes a single element from the front (i.e. the head) of the queue



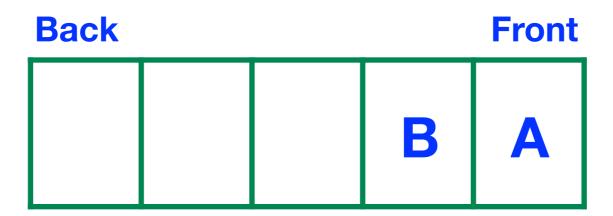
Start with Empty Queue



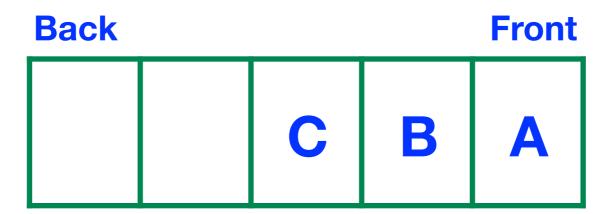
Enqueue Value: A



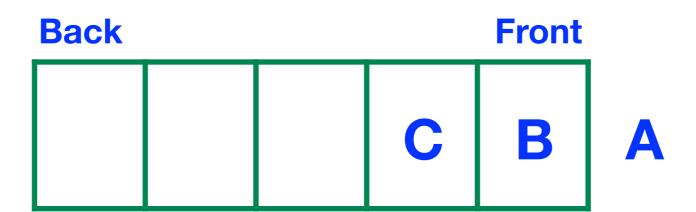
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Enqueue Value: C



Dequeue the Front of the Queue:



Queue Interface (Java)

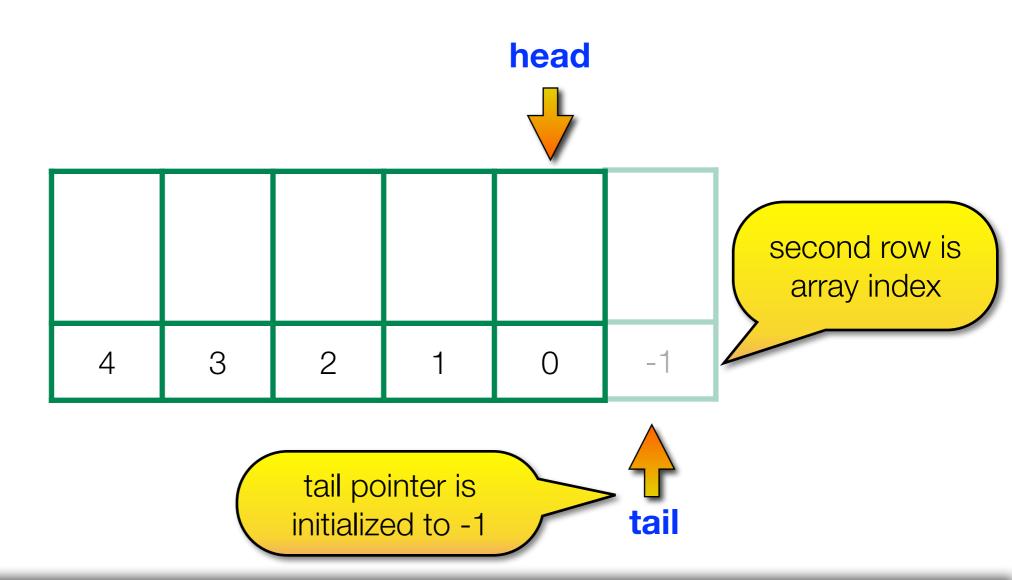
```
public interface Queue<AnyType> {
    public void enqueue( AnyType x );
    public AnyType dequeue();
    public AnyType getHead();
    public boolean isEmpty();
    public void makeEmpty();
}
```

Queue Implementations

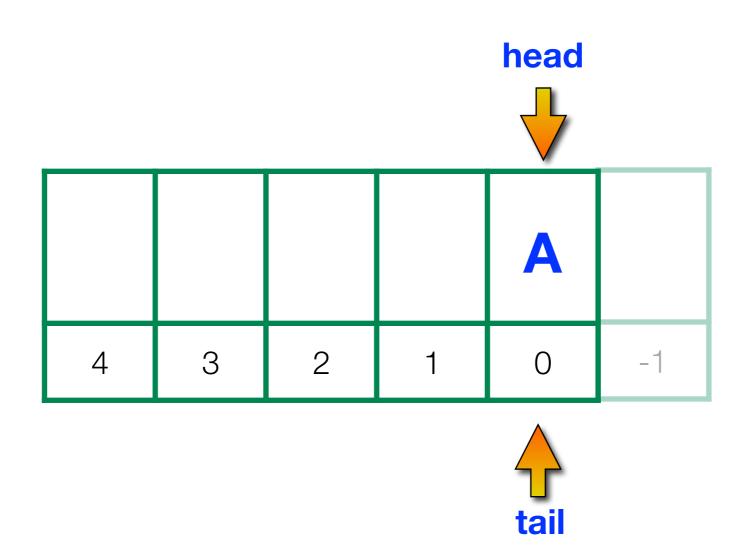
- Queues can be implemented in multiple ways
- Two popular methods for implementing queues include
 - (1) Arrays
 - (2) Linked Lists

 Both of these implementation approaches allow for constant time operations - O(1)

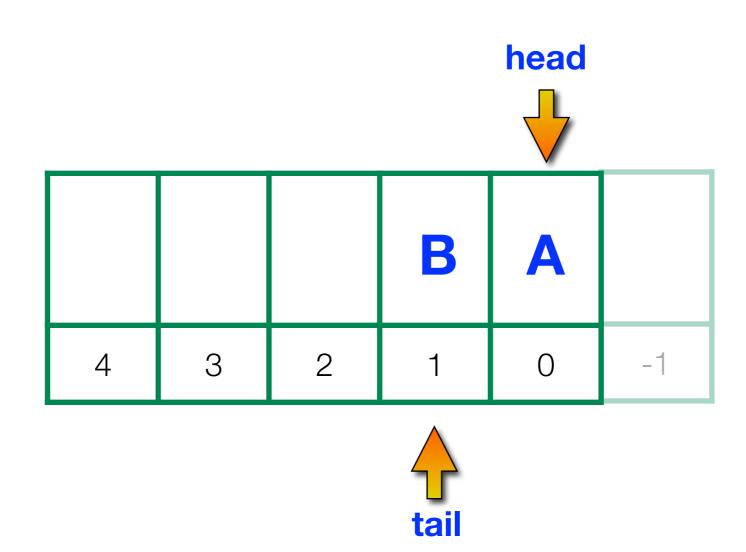
Start with Empty Queue (i.e. an array)



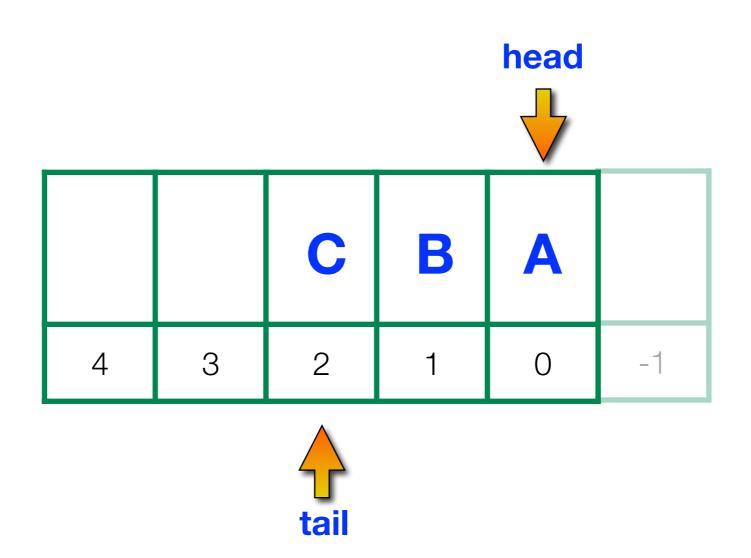
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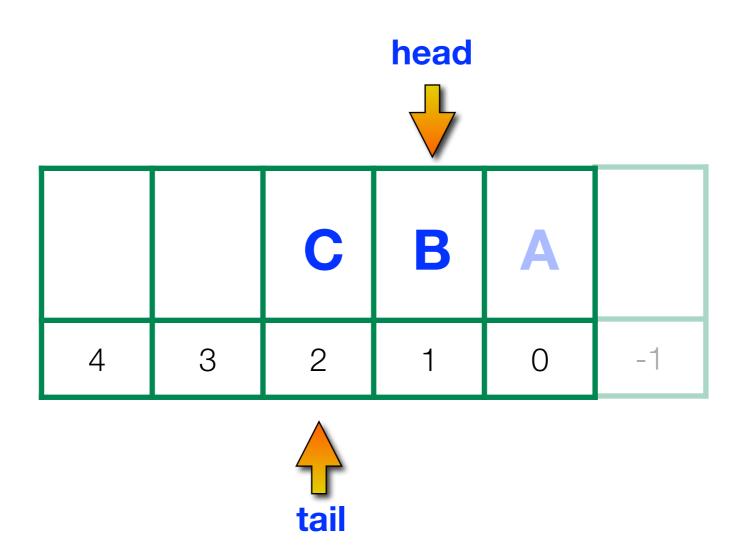
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Dequeue the Head of the Queue:



Considerations when using an array implementation

- Enqueue, and Dequeue operations run in constant time ... in most cases
- What happens when your array is full and you want to Enqueue another element?
 - · Array must be increased in size which takes time an more memory
 - Time to copy and create new array is O(N)
 - Time to copy array is amortized over the lifetime of the array
 - May not be suitable for all types of systems (e.g. RTOS)

```
/**
  * Queue constructor
  */
public ArrayQueue( )
{
    theArray = (AnyType []) new Object[ DEFAULT_CAPACITY ];
    makeEmpty( );
}
```

```
/**
 * Test if the queue is logically empty.
 * @return true if empty, false otherwise.
 */
public boolean isEmpty()
{
   return currentSize == 0;
}
```

```
/**
  * Make the queue logically empty.
  */
public void makeEmpty( )
{
    currentSize = 0;
    head = 0;
    tail = -1;
}
```

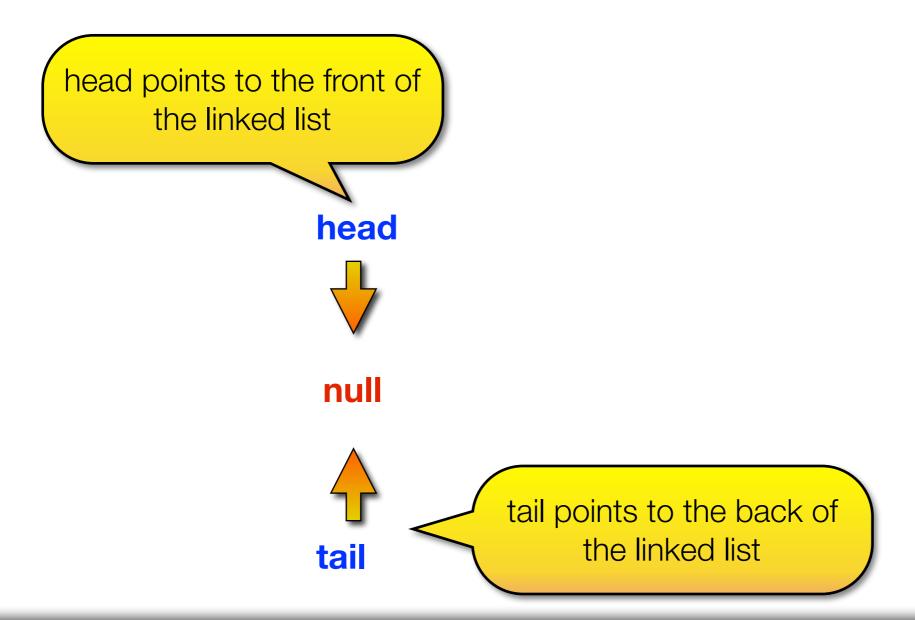
```
/**
 * Insert a new item into the queue.
 * @param x the item to insert.
 */
public void enqueue( AnyType x )
{
    if( currentSize == theArray.length )
        doubleQueue( );
    tail = increment( tail );
    theArray[ tail ] = x;
    currentSize++;
}
```

```
/**
 * Return and remove the least recently inserted item
 * from the queue.
 * @return the least recently inserted item in the queue.
 * @throws UnderflowException if the queue is empty.
 * /
public AnyType dequeue( )
    if( isEmpty( ) )
        throw new UnderflowException( "ArrayQueue dequeue" );
    currentSize--;
    AnyType returnValue = theArray[ head ];
    head = increment( head );
    return returnValue;
```

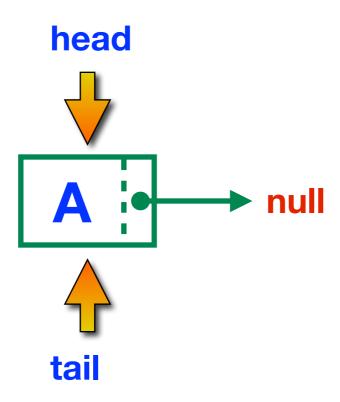
```
/**
 * Internal method to increment with wraparound.
 * @param x any index in theArray's range.
 * @return x+1, or 0 if x is at the end of theArray.
 */
private int increment( int x )
{
   if( ++x == theArray.length )
       x = 0;
   return x;
}
```

```
/**
 * Internal method to expand theArray.
 * /
private void doubleQueue( )
    AnyType [ ] newArray;
    newArray = (AnyType []) new Object[ theArray.length * 2 ];
     // Copy elements that are logically in the queue
    for( int i = 0; i < currentSize; i++,</pre>
                                head = increment( head ) )
        newArray[ i ] = theArray[ head ];
    theArray = newArray;
    head = 0;
    tail = currentSize - 1;
```

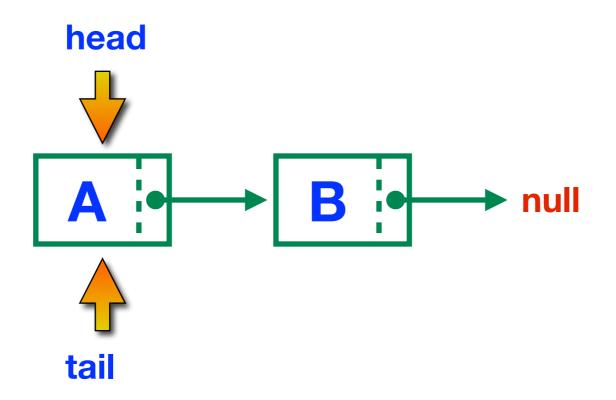
Start with Empty Queue (i.e. a null LinkedList)



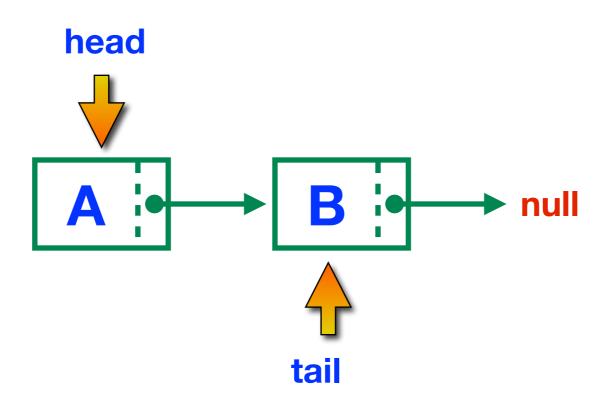
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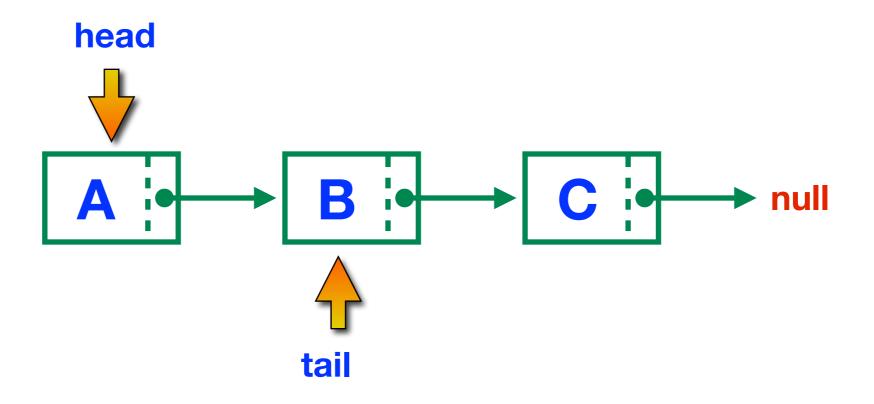
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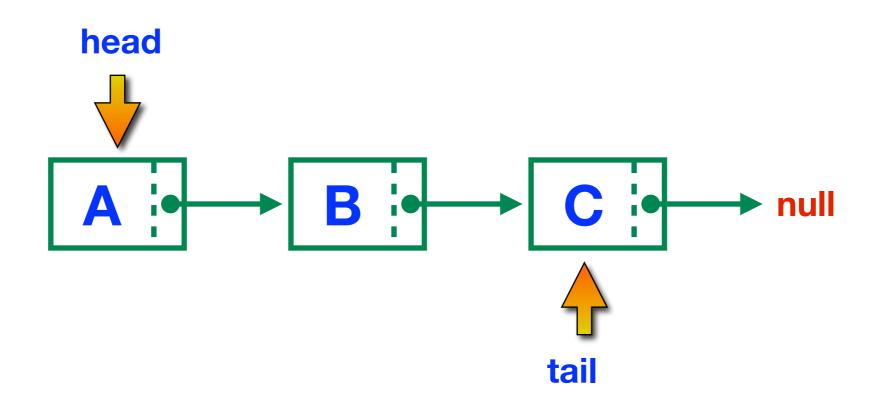
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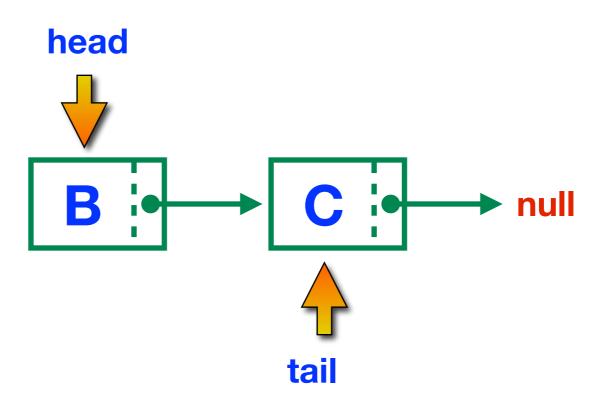
Enqueue Value: C



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Dequeue the Front of the Queue:



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Considerations when using an queue implementation

- Enqueue and Dequeue operations run in constant time ... still
- Each element inserted into the queue requires a pointer to the data and a second pointer to the next node in the LinkedList

```
/**
  * Queue constructor
  */
public ListQueue( )
{
   head = tail = null;
}

private ListNode<AnyType> head;
private ListNode<AnyType> tail;
```

```
/**
 * Test if the queue is logically empty.
 * @return true if empty, false otherwise.
 */
public boolean isEmpty()
{
   return head == null;
}
```

```
/**
  * Make the queue logically empty.
  */
public void makeEmpty()
{
   head = null;
   tail = null;
}
```

```
/**
 * Return and remove the least recently inserted item
 * from the queue.
 * @return the least recently inserted item in the queue.
 * @throws UnderflowException if the queue is empty.
 * /
public AnyType dequeue( )
    if( isEmpty( ) )
        throw new UnderflowException( "ListQueue dequeue" );
    AnyType returnValue = head.element;
    head = head.next;
    return returnValue;
```