

Queues

CS284

Structure of this week's classes

Queues

Applications

Implementation

Queue

- ▶ The queue, like the stack, is a widely used data structure
- ▶ A queue differs from a stack in one important way
 - ▶ A stack is LIFO list – *Last-In, First-Out*
 - ▶ While a queue is FIFO list – *First-In, First-Out*

Example: Print Queue

- ▶ Operating systems use queues to
 - ▶ keep track of tasks waiting for a scarce resource
 - ▶ ensure tasks are carried out in the order they were generated
- ▶ Print queue: printing is much slower than the process of selecting pages to print, so a queue is used

The Queue Interface (Sample) – java.util (1/2)

```
public interface Queue<E> extends Collection<E> {  
  
    // Returns entry at front of queue without removing it. If the  
    // queue is empty, throws NoSuchElementException  
    E element()  
  
    // Insert an item at the rear of a queue  
    boolean offer(E item)  
  
    // Return element at front of queue without removing it; returns null  
    E peek()  
  
    // Remove and return entry from front of queue; returns null if queue  
    E poll()  
  
    // Removes entry from front of queue and returns it if queue not empty  
    E remove()  
}
```

The Queue Interface – `java.util` (2/2)

Note:

- ▶ `Stack<E>` is a class (derived from `Vector`) but `Queue<E>` is an interface (derived from `Collection`)

Queues

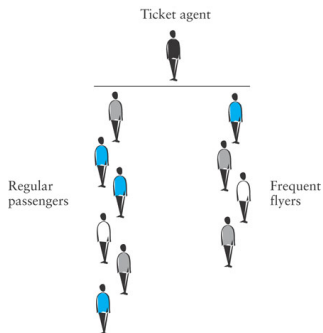
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Simulation

- ▶ Used to study the performance of a physical system by using a physical, mathematical, or computer model of the system
- ▶ Allows designers of a new system to estimate the expected performance before building it
- ▶ Can lead to changes in the design that will improve the expected performance of the new system
- ▶ Useful when the real system would be too expensive to build or too dangerous to experiment with after its construction
- ▶ System designers often use computer models to simulate physical systems
- ▶ A branch of mathematics called [queuing theory](#) studies such problems

Blue Sky Airlines (BSA) Example



- ▶ Two waiting lines:
 - ▶ regular customers
 - ▶ frequent flyers
- ▶ One ticket agent
- ▶ Determine average wait time for taking passengers from waiting lines
- ▶ Analyze various strategies:
 - ▶ take turns serving passengers from both lines (one frequent flyer, one regular, one frequent flyer, etc.)
 - ▶ serve the passenger waiting the longest
 - ▶ serve any frequent flyers before serving regular passengers

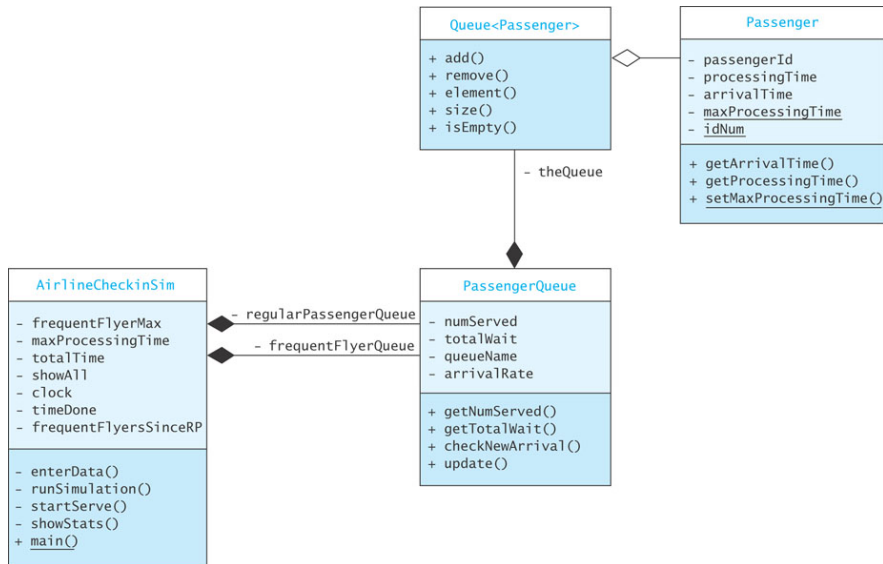
Blue Sky Airlines Example

- ▶ To run the simulation, we must keep track of the current time by maintaining a clock set to an initial time of zero
- ▶ The clock will increase by one time unit until the simulation is finished
- ▶ During each time interval, one or more of the following events occur(s):
 - ▶ a new frequent flyer arrives in line
 - ▶ a new regular flyer arrives in line
 - ▶ the ticket agent finishes serving a passenger and begins to serve a passenger from the frequent flyer line
 - ▶ the ticket agent finishes serving a passenger and begins to serve a passenger from the regular passenger line
 - ▶ the ticket agent is idle because there are no passengers to serve

Blue Sky Airlines Example

- ▶ We can simulate different serving strategies by introducing a simulation variable, `frequentFlyerMax` (> 0)
- ▶ `frequentFlyerMax` represents the number of consecutive frequent flyer passengers served between regular passengers
- ▶ When `frequentFlyerMax` is:
 - ▶ 1, every other passenger served will be a regular passenger
 - ▶ 2, every third passenger served will be a regular passenger
 - ▶ a very large number, any frequent flyers will be served before regular passengers

Simulation Class Diagrams



Class Passenger

```
import java.util.*;

public class Passenger {
    // Data Fields
    /** The ID number for this passenger. */
    private int passengerId;

    /** The time needed to process this passenger. */
    private int processingTime;

    /** The time this passenger arrives. */
    private int arrivalTime;

    /** The maximum time to process a passenger. */
    private static int maxProcessingTime;

    /** The sequence number for passengers. */
    private static int idNum = 0;
```

Class Passenger

```
/** Create a new passenger.  
    @param arrivalTime The time this passenger arrives*/  
public Passenger(int arrivalTime) {  
    this.arrivalTime = arrivalTime;  
    processingTime = 1+(new Random()).nextInt(maxProcessingTime);  
    passengerId    = idNum++;  
}  
    /** Get the arrival time.  
    @return The arrival time */  
public int getArrivalTime() {  
    return arrivalTime;  
}
```

Class Passenger

```
/** Get the processing time.  
    @return The processing time */  
public int getProcessingTime() {  
    return processingTime;  
}  
  
/** Get the passenger ID.  
    @return The passenger ID */  
public int getId() {  
    return passengerId;  
}  
  
/** Set the maximum processing time  
    @param maxProcessingTime The new value */  
public static void setMaxProcessingTime(int maxProcessTime) {  
    maxProcessingTime = maxProcessTime;  
}  
}
```

Class PassengerQueue

```
import java.util.*;

public class PassengerQueue {
    // Data Fields
    /** The queue of passengers. */
    private Queue<Passenger> theQueue;

    /** The number of passengers served. */
    private int numServed;
    /** The total time passengers were waiting. */
    private int totalWait;

    /** The name of this queue. */
    private String queueName;

    /** The average arrival rate. */
    private double arrivalRate;
```

Class PassengerQueue

```
// Constructor
/** Construct a PassengerQueue with the given name.
    @param queueName The name of this queue
 */
public PassengerQueue(String queueName) {
    numServed = 0;
    totalWait = 0;
    this.queueName = queueName;
    theQueue = new LinkedList<Passenger>();
}

/** Return the number of passengers served
    @return The number of passengers served
 */
public int getNumServed() {
    return numServed;
}
```


Class PassengerQueue

```
/** Return the total wait time
    @return The total wait time
    */
public int getTotalWait() {
    return totalWait;
}

/** Return the queue name
    @return - The queue name
    */
public String getQueueName() {
    return queueName;
}
```

Class PassengerQueue

```
/** Set the arrival rate
    @param arrivalRate the value to set
 */
public void setArrivalRate(double arrivalRate) {
    this.arrivalRate = arrivalRate;
}

/** Determine if the passenger queue is empty
    @return true if the passenger queue is empty
 */
public boolean isEmpty() {
    return theQueue.isEmpty();
}

/** Determine the size of the passenger queue
    @return the size of the passenger queue
 */
public int size() {
    return theQueue.size();
}
```

Class PassengerQueue

```
/** Check if a new arrival has occurred.
    @param clock The current simulated time
    @param showAll Flag to indicate that detailed
                    data should be output
 */
public void checkNewArrival(int clock, boolean showAll) {
    if (Math.random() < arrivalRate) {
        theQueue.add(new Passenger(clock));
        if (showAll) {
            System.out.println("Time is "
                + clock + ": "
                + queueName
                + "arrival, new queue size is"
                + theQueue.size());
        }
    }
}
```

Class PassengerQueue

```
/** Update statistics.  
    pre: The queue is not empty.  
    @param clock The current simulated time  
    @param showAll Flag to indicate whether to show detail  
    @return Time passenger is done being served  
*/  
public int update(int clock, boolean showAll) {  
    Passenger nextPassenger = theQueue.remove();  
    int timeStamp = nextPassenger.getArrivalTime();  
    int wait = clock - timeStamp;  
    totalWait += wait;  
    numServed++;  
    // continued
```

Class PassengerQueue

```
if (showAll) {  
    System.out.println("Time is " + clock  
        + ": Serving "  
        + queueName  
        + " with time stamp "  
        + timeStamp);  
}  
return clock + nextPassenger.getProcessingTime();  
}  
}
```

class AirlineCheckinSim

```
public class AirlineCheckinSim {  
  
    // Data Fields  
    /** Queue of frequent flyers. */  
    private PassengerQueue frequentFlyerQueue =  
        new PassengerQueue("Frequent Flyer");  
  
    /** Queue of regular passengers. */  
    private PassengerQueue regularPassengerQueue =  
        new PassengerQueue("Regular Passenger");  
  
    /** Maximum number of frequent flyers to be served  
        before a regular passenger gets served. */  
    private int frequentFlyerMax;  
  
    /** Maximum time to service a passenger. */  
    private int maxProcessingTime;  
  
    /** Total simulated time. */  
    private int totalTime;  
}
```

class AirlineCheckinSim

```
/** If set true, print additional output. */  
private boolean showAll;  
  
/** Simulated clock. */  
private int clock = 0;  
  
/** Time that the agent will be done with the current passenger.*/  
private int timeDone;  
  
/** Number of frequent flyers served since the  
    last regular passenger was served. */  
private int frequentFlyersSinceRP;
```

class AirlineCheckinSim

```
private void runSimulation() {
    for (clock = 0; clock < totalTime; clock++) {
        frequentFlyerQueue.checkNewArrival(clock, showAll);
        regularPassengerQueue.checkNewArrival(clock, showAll);
        if (clock >= timeDone) {
            startServe();
        }
    }
}
```


class AirlineCheckinSim

```
private void startServe() {
    if (!frequentFlyerQueue.isEmpty()
        && ( (frequentFlyersSinceRP <= frequentFlyerMax)
            || regularPassengerQueue.isEmpty())) {
        // Serve the next frequent flyer.
        frequentFlyersSinceRP++;
        timeDone = frequentFlyerQueue.update(clock, showAll);
    }
    else if (!regularPassengerQueue.isEmpty()) {
        // Serve the next regular passenger.
        frequentFlyersSinceRP = 0;
        timeDone = regularPassengerQueue.update(clock, showAll);
    }
    else if (showAll) {
        System.out.println("Time is " + clock + " server is idle");
    }
}
```

class AirlineCheckinSim

```
/** Method to show the statistics. */  
private void showStats() {  
  
    System.out.println  
        ("\nThe number of regular passengers served was "  
         + regularPassengerQueue.getNumServed());  
  
    double averageWaitingTime =  
        (double) regularPassengerQueue.getTotalWait()  
        / (double) regularPassengerQueue.getNumServed();  
  
    System.out.println(" with an average waiting time of "  
                       + averageWaitingTime);  
  
    // continues
```

class AirlineCheckinSim

```
System.out.println("The number of frequent flyers served was "
                  + frequentFlyerQueue.getNumServed());
averageWaitingTime =
    (double) frequentFlyerQueue.getTotalWait()
    / (double) frequentFlyerQueue.getNumServed();
System.out.println(" with an average waiting time of "
                  + averageWaitingTime);

System.out.println("Passengers in frequent flyer queue: "
                  + frequentFlyerQueue.size());
System.out.println("Passengers in regular passenger queue: "
                  + regularPassengerQueue.size());
}
}
```

Run a Simulation

You must supply:

- ▶ Expected number of frequent flyer arrivals per hour (arrival rate is this value / 60)
- ▶ Expected number of regular passenger arrivals per hour (arrival rate is this value / 60)
- ▶ The maximum number of frequent flyers served between regular passengers (`frequentFlyerMax`)
- ▶ Maximum service time in minutes (`maxProcessingTime`)
- ▶ Total simulation time in minutes (`totalTime`)

Run a Simulation

- ▶ Expected number of frequent flyer arrivals per hour (arrival rate is this value / 60): 240
- ▶ Expected number of regular passenger arrivals per hour (arrival rate is this value / 60): 120
- ▶ The maximum number of frequent flyers served between regular passengers (`frequentFlyerMax`): 3
- ▶ Maximum service time in minutes (`maxProcessingTime`): 4
- ▶ Total simulation time in minutes (`totalTime`): 60

```
The number of regular passengers served was 5  
with an average waiting time of 30.8  
The number of frequent flyers served was 20  
with an average waiting time of 17.4  
Passengers in frequent flyer queue: 40  
Passengers in regular queue: 55
```

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Class `LinkedList` Implements the Queue Interface

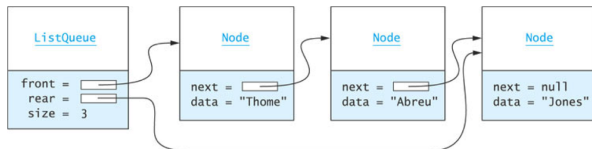
- ▶ The `LinkedList` class provides methods for inserting and removing elements at either end of a double-linked list, which means all `Queue` methods can be implemented easily
- ▶ The Java 5.0 `LinkedList` class implements the `Queue` interface

```
Queue<String> names = new LinkedList<String>();
```

- ▶ creates a new `Queue` reference, `names`, that stores references to `String` objects

Using a Single-Linked List to Implement a Queue

- ▶ Insertions are at the rear of a queue and removals are from the front
- ▶ We need a reference to the last list node so that insertions can be performed at $\mathcal{O}(1)$
- ▶ The number of elements in the queue is changed by methods insert and remove



Using a Single-Linked List to Implement a Queue

- ▶ A comment before beginning
- ▶ One might expect to start out with something like:

```
public class ListQueue<E> implements Queue<E> {  
    ...  
}
```

- ▶ However, since `Queue` is a subinterface of other interfaces (namely, `Collection<E>` and `Iterable<E>`), many additional operations would have to be implemented

Using a Single-Linked List to Implement a Queue

- ▶ It is best to start off with the abstract class `AbstractQueue` since it implements all operations except for:
 - ▶ `public boolean offer(E item)`
 - ▶ `public E poll()`
 - ▶ `public E peek()`
 - ▶ `public int size()`
 - ▶ `public Iterator<E> iterator()`
- ▶ Our implementation shall concentrate on these

```
public class ListQueue<E> extends AbstractQueue<E>
    implements Queue<E> {
    ...
}
```

Using a Single-Linked List to Implement a Queue

```
import java.util.*;
public class ListQueue<E> extends AbstractQueue<E>
    implements Queue<E> {

    // Data Fields
    /** Reference to front of queue. */
    private Node<E> front;
    /** Reference to rear of queue. */
    private Node<E> rear;
    /** Size of queue. */
    private int size;
```

Using a Single-Linked List to Implement a Queue

```
/** Node is building block for single-linked list. */  
private static class Node<E> {  
    private E data;  
    private Node next;  
  
    /** Creates a new node with a null next field.  
     * @param dataItem The data stored  
     */  
    private Node(E dataItem) {  
        data = dataItem;  
        next = null;  
    }  
  
    /** Creates a new node that references another node.  
     * @param dataItem The data stored  
     * @param nodeRef The node referenced by new node  
     */  
    private Node(E dataItem, Node<E> nodeRef) {  
        data = dataItem;  
        next = nodeRef;  
    }  
} //end class Node
```

Using a Single-Linked List to Implement a Queue

```
/** Insert an item at the rear of the queue.  
    post: item is added to the rear of the queue.  
    @param item The element to add  
    @return true (always successful)    */  
public boolean offer(E item) {  
    // Check for empty queue.  
    if (front == null) {  
        rear = new Node<E> (item);  
        front = rear;  
    }  
    else {
```

Using a Single-Linked List to Implement a Queue

```
else {  
    // Allocate a new node at end, store item in  
    // it, and  
    // link it to old end of queue.  
    rear.next = new Node<E>(item);  
    rear = rear.next;  
}  
size++;  
return true;  
}
```

Using a Single-Linked List to Implement a Queue

```
/** Return the item at the front of the queue without removing it.
    @return The item at the front of the queue if successful, null otherwise.
    */
public E peek() {
    if (size == 0)
        return null;
    else
        return front.data;
}
}
```

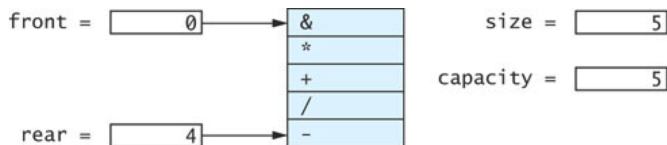
Using a Single-Linked List to Implement a Queue

```
/** Remove the entry at the front of the queue and
    return it if the queue is not empty.
    post: front references item that was 2nd in queue.
    @return Item removed if successful, null othw */
public E poll() {
    E item = peek(); // Retrieve item at front.
    if (item == null)
        return null;
    if (size==1) { // Queue has one item
        front = null;
        rear  = null;
    } else { // Queue has two or more items
        front = front.next;
    }
    size--;
    return item; // Return data at front of queue.
}
```

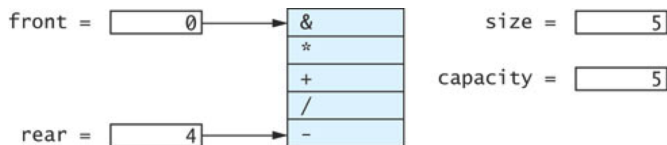

Implementing a Queue Using a Circular Array

- ▶ The time efficiency of using a single- or double-linked list to implement a queue is acceptable
- ▶ However, there are some space inefficiencies
- ▶ Storage space is increased when using a linked list due to references stored in the nodes
- ▶ Array Implementation
 - ▶ Insertion at rear of array is constant time $\mathcal{O}(1)$
 - ▶ Removal from the front is linear time $\mathcal{O}(n)$ if we shift all elements
 - ▶ Removal from rear of array is constant time $\mathcal{O}(1)$
 - ▶ Insertion at the front is linear time $\mathcal{O}(n)$ if we shift all elements
- ▶ We can avoid these inefficiencies in a circular array

Implementing a Queue Using a Circular Array (cont.)



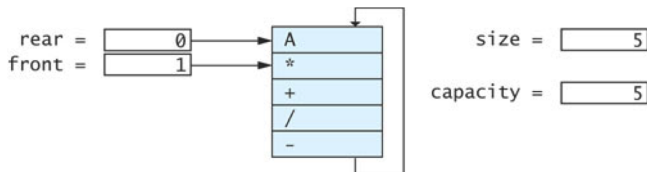
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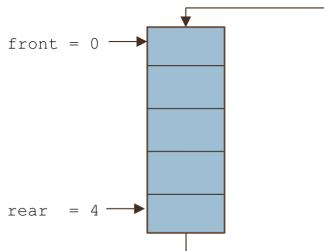
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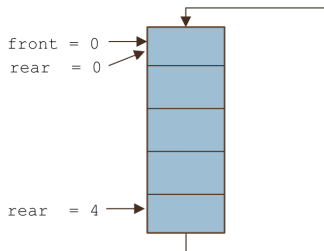
Implementing a Queue Using a Circular Array (cont.)

```
ArrayQueue q = new ArrayQueue(5);
```



```
public ArrayQueue(int initCapacity) {  
    capacity = initCapacity;  
    theData = (E[])new Object[capacity];  
    front = 0;  
    rear = capacity - 1;  
    size = 0;  
}
```

Implementing a Queue Using a Circular Array (cont.)

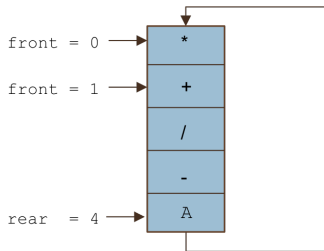
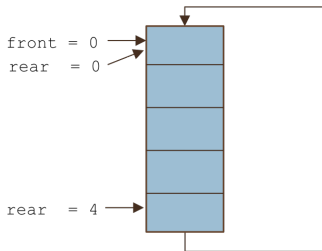


```
public boolean offer(E item) {  
    if (size == capacity) {  
        reallocate();  
    }  
    size++;  
    rear = (rear + 1) % capacity;  
    theData[rear] = item;  
    return true;  
}
```

Let's see an example

Implementing a Queue Using a Circular Array (cont.)

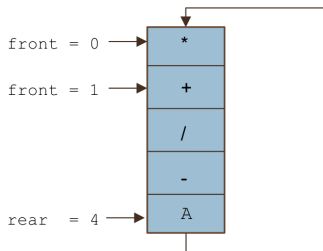
```
q.offer('*');q.offer('+');q.offer('/');q.offer('-');q.offer('A');
```



```
public boolean offer(E item) {  
    if (size == capacity) {  
        reallocate();  
    }  
    size++;  
    rear = (rear + 1) % capacity;  
    theData[rear] = item;  
    return true;  
}
```

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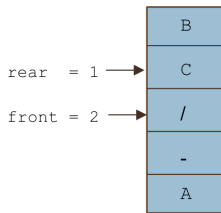
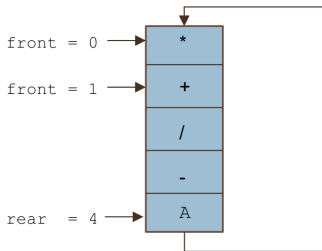
```
next = q.poll(); next = q.poll();
```



```
public E poll() {  
    if (size == 0) {  
        return null  
    }  
    E result = theData[front];  
    front = (front + 1) % capacity;  
    size--;  
    return result;  
}
```


Implementing a Queue Using a Circular Array (cont.)

```
q.offer('B');q.offer('C')
```



```
public boolean offer(E item) {  
    if (size == capacity) {  
        reallocate();  
    }  
    size++;  
    rear = (rear + 1) % capacity;  
    theData[rear] = item;  
    return true;  
}
```

Implementing a Queue Using a Circular Array (cont.)

```
private void reallocate() {
    int newCapacity = 2 * capacity;
    E[] newData = (E[])new Object[newCapacity];
    int j = front;
    for (int i = 0; i < size; i++) {
        newData[i] = theData[j];
        j = (j + 1) % capacity;
    }
    front = 0;
    rear = size - 1;
    capacity = newCapacity;
    theData = newData;
}
```

Comparing the Three Implementations

Computation time

- ▶ All three implementations (double-linked list, single-linked list, circular array) are comparable in terms of computation time
- ▶ All operations are $\mathcal{O}(1)$ regardless of implementation
- ▶ Although reallocating an array is $\mathcal{O}(n)$, it is amortized over n items, so the cost per item is $\mathcal{O}(1)$

Comparing the Three Implementations

Storage

- ▶ **Linked-list** implementations require more storage due to the extra space required for the links
 - ▶ Each node for a single-linked list stores two references (one for the data, one for the link)
 - ▶ Each node for a double-linked list stores three references (one for the data, two for the links)
- ▶ A **double-linked** list requires 1.5 times the storage of a single-linked list
- ▶ A **circular array** that is filled to capacity requires half the storage of a single-linked list to store the same number of elements, but a recently reallocated circular array is half empty, and requires the same storage as a single-linked list
- ▶ All three implementations (double-linked list, single-linked list, circular array) are comparable in terms of computation time