



CSE 373: Queues

Chapter 3

Queue:



Queue Operations



Main Operations:

```
void Enqueue(Queue, QType);  
QType Dequeue(Queue);  
QType Front(Queue);  
int IsEmpty(Queue);
```

Other Operations:

- normal creation/deletion operations
- again, generally no iteration operations

Queue Example



```
Queue Q;  
int frontval, newval;  
  
Q = NewQueue();  
Enqueue(Q,1);  
Enqueue(Q,1);  
for (i=2;i<n;i++) {  
    frontval = Dequeue(Q);  
    newval = frontval + Front(Q);  
    Enqueue(Q,newval);  
}
```

List-based Queue Implementation



- As with Stacks, Queues are a specialized List
 - **Push()** = **Insert()** at a specific end of the list
 - **Pop()** = **Delete()** from the *opposite* end
- Thus, Lists could be used to implement the Queue ADT
 - Similar advantages and disadvantages as the Stack case

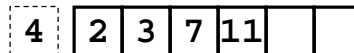
Array-Based Queue Implementation



Naive approach:

Enqueue () = insert at end of array

Dequeue () = delete from front of array



Running Time:

Enqueue ():

Dequeue ():

How could we improve this?

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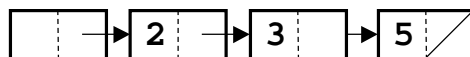
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Link-Based Queue Implementation



What are the challenges to making a link-based

Enqueue () and **Dequeue ()** efficient?



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Evaluating Queue Implementations



List-based *Array-based* *Link-Based*

Operations:

`Enqueue()`

`Dequeue()`

`Front()`

`IsEmpty()`

Space:

Other:

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Applications of Queues



Anything where “fairness” (FIFO) is required

- **operating systems:** printer queues, storing user input, servers, scheduling processes
- **compilers (and in general):** worklists
- **graphics:** queue of things to render
- **applications:** list of recently used files
- **real-life:** lines at fast-food restaurants, “waiting for next available operator” lists
- **searching:** “breadth-first” searches

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