Queue

- The queue is a FIFO (First-in First-out) data structure
- Elements are added at the front of the queue and removed from the rear
- The only data element that can be removed is the least recently added element

Queue ADT

Specification

Elements: Queue elements can be of any type, but we will assume QueueElement

Structure: Any mechanism for determining the elements order of arrival into the queue

Domain: The number of queue elements is bounded. A queue is considered full if the upper-bound is reached. A queue with no elements is considered empty.

type Queue;

Operations: There are six operations as follows:

function create (q: Queue, isCreated: boolean)
results: if q cannot be created, isCreated is
false; otherwise, isCreated is true, the queue
is created and is empty

function terminate (q: Queue)

results: queue q no longer exists

function isFull (q: Queue)

results: returns true if the queue is full; otherwise false is

returned

function is Empty (q: Queue)

results: returns true if the queue is empty; otherwise,

false is returned

function enqueue (q: Queue, e: QueueElement)

requires: isFull (q) is false

results: element e is added to the front of the queue as

the most recently added element

function dequeue (q: Queue, e:

QueueElement)

requires: isEmpty(q) is not false

results: The least recently added

element is removed and assigned to e