# CS302 - Data Structures using C++

Topic: Queues and Priority Queues

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- Like a line of people
  - First person in line is first person served
  - New element of queue enter at its back
  - Items leave the queue from its front
- Called FIFI behavior
  - First In First Out

• UML diagram for the ADT queue

#### **UML** Notation

#### Queue

+isEmpty(): boolean

+enqueuer(newEntry: ItemType): boolean

+dequeuer(): boolean
+peekFront(): ItemType

• Example queue operations

```
aQueue = an empty queue
aQueue.enqueue(5)
aQueue.enqueue(2)
aQueue.enqueue(7)
aQueue.peekFront(5)
aQueue.dequeue()
```

```
Front

Queue after operation

5
5
5 2
5 2 7
5 2 7
5 2 7 (Returns 5)
2 7
7
```

• C++ Interface for queues

```
#ifndef QUEUE_INTERFACE_
#define QUEUE_INTERFACE_

template < class ItemType >
class QueueInterface
{
public:
    virtual bool isEmpty() const = 0;
    virtual bool enqueue(const ItemType& anEntry) = 0;
    virtual bool dequeue() = 0;
    virtual ItemType dequeue() const 0;

    virtual ~QueueInterface() {
}
}; // end QueueInterface
#endif
```



# Applications Reading a String of Chars

Pseudocode to read a string of characters into a queue

```
// Reade a string of characters from a single line of input into a queue
aQueue = a new empty queue
while(not end of line)
{
    Read a new character into ch
    aQueue.eqnueue(ch)
}
```

# Applications Recognizing a Palindrome

- Question: How can we detect that a certain string of characters is a palindrome?
- Examples of palindromes
  - Anna
  - Civic
  - Kayak
  - Level
  - Madam
  - Mom
  - Noon
  - Racecar

# The ADT Priority Queue

- Organize data by priorities
  - Example: weekly "to-do" list
- Priority value
  - We will say high value high priority
- Operations
  - Test for empty
  - Add to queue in sorted position
  - Remove/get entry with highest priority

# The ADT Priority Queue

• UML diagram for the class PriorityQueue

#### **UML** Notation

#### **PriorityQueue**

```
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# Tracking Your Assignments

UML diagram for the class Assignment

#### **UML** Notation

#### **Assignment**

Course - the course code

Task - a description of the assignment

Date - the due data

+getCourseCode(): string

+getTask(): string
+getDueDate(): string

## Tracking Your Assignments

• Pseudocode organize assignments, responsibilities

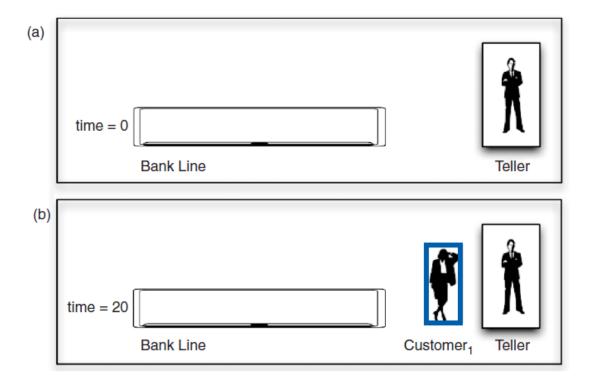
```
assignmentLog = a new priority queue using due date as the priority value
project = a new instance of Assignment
essay = a new instance of Assignment
quiz = a new instance of Assignment
errand = a new instance of Assignment
assignmentLog.enqueue(project)
assignmentLog.enqueue(essay)
assignmentLog.enqueue(quiz)
assignmentLog.enqueue(errand)
cout << "I should the following first: "
cout << assignmentLog.peekFront()</pre>
```

- Simulation models behavior of systems
- Problem to solve
  - Approximate average time bank customer must wait for service from a teller
  - Decrease in customer wait time with each new teller added

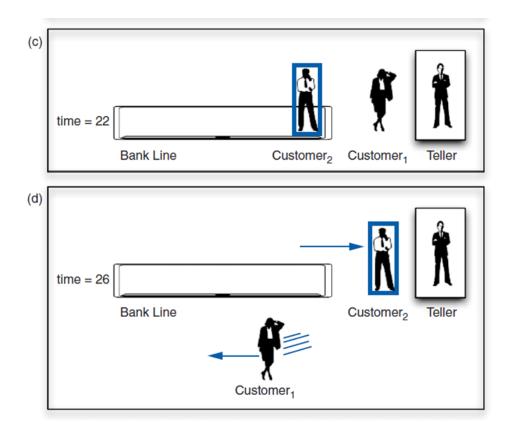
Sample arrival and transaction times

Arrival time	Transaction length
20	6
22	4
23	2
30	3

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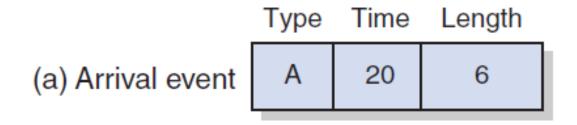
Pseudocode for an event loop

```
Initialize the line to "no customers"
while (events remain to be processed)
{
    currentTime = time of next event
    if (event is an arrival event)
        Process the arrival event
    else
        Process the departure event

// When an arrival event and a departure event occur at the same time,
    // arbitrary process the arrival event first
}
```

- Time-driven simulation
  - Simulates the ticking of a clock
- Event-driven simulation considers
  - Only the times of certain events
  - In this case, arrival(s) and departure(s)
- Event list contains
  - All future arrival and departure events

• A typical instance of (a) an arrival event; (b) a departure event



Type Time Length

(b) Departure event D 26 -

- Two tasks required to process each event
  - Update the bank line: Add or remove customers
  - Update the event queue: Add or remove events
- New customer
  - Always enters bank line
  - Served while at the front of the line

### Position-Oriented and Value-Oriented ADTs

- Position-oriented ADTs
  - Stack, list, queue
- Value-oriented ADTs
  - Sorted list

### Position-Oriented and Value-Oriented ADTs

- Comparison of stack and queue operations
  - **isEmpty** for both
  - Pop and dequeue
  - Peek and peekFront

### Position-Oriented and Value-Oriented ADTs

- ADT list operations generalize stack and queue operations
  - getLength
  - insert
  - remove
  - getEntry

# Thank you

