

CS 2SC3 and SE 2S03 Fall 2008

Programming Exercise 3

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The purpose of this programming exercise is to learn how to use records and arrays in OCaml and C by implementing and testing an abstract data type of queues.

Background

An *abstract data type of queues* can be defined as having the following components:

1. A type `nat` of natural numbers.
2. A type `element` of elements that are put in a queue.
3. A type `queue` of queues.
4. A constructor `bottom : void → queue` that creates an empty queue.
5. A selector `length : queue → nat` that returns the length of a queue.
6. A selector `front : queue → element` that returns the element on the front of a queue.
7. A mutator `push : element, queue → void` that adds an element to the back of a queue.
8. A mutator `pop : queue → void` that removes an element from the front of a queue.

Part A

Write an OCaml program that satisfies the requirements listed below. Put your implementation of the abstract data type of queues in a file named `queue3.ml`, your test code in a file named `queue_test3.ml`, and your log book in a file named `log.txt`. Put all three of these files into a directory named `ex-3-a`. Using subversion, import this directory into your directory in the course subversion repository. Your files must be submitted no later than **10:30 a.m. on Thursday, October 30, 2008**.

Part B

Write a C program that satisfies the requirements listed below. Put your implementation of the abstract data type of queues in a file named `queue3.c`, your main procedure and test code in a file named `queue-test3.c`, and your log book in a file named `log.txt`. Put both of these files into a directory named `ex-3-b`. Using subversion, import this directory into your directory in the course subversion repository. Your files must be submitted no later than **10:30 a.m. on Thursday, November 13, 2008**.

Program Requirements

1. The program implements the members of the abstract data type of queues described above as arrays of a fixed length treated as circles.
2. The type `nat` is implemented as `int`.
3. The type `element` is implemented as a type of records with two immutable fields: (1) a field `data` of type `string` and (2) a field `id` of type `nat`.
4. The program contains a constant `max_length` of type `nat` set to 10.
5. The type `queue` is implemented as a type of records including the following three fields: (1) an immutable field `contents` of type array of type `element`, (2) a mutable field `back` of type `nat`, and (3) a mutable field `front` of type `nat`. The array stored in the `contents` field has a fixed length equal to `max_length`. The `back` and `front` fields are indices to the `back` and `front` members of the queue stored in the `contents` field.
6. The program implements the constructor, two selectors, and two mutators described above.
7. The program should handle the following three anomalous situations:
 - (a) Selecting the front of an empty queue.
 - (b) Pushing an element onto a filled queue, i.e., a queue of length `max_length`.
 - (c) Popping an empty queue.
8. The queue can “wrap” around the array. This means that, if the queue is not filled, `push` increments the `back` field when it is less than `max_length-1` and sets the `back` field to 0 when it equals `max_length-1`. That is, the first cell in the array is viewed as coming after the last cell. If the queue is not empty, `pop` modifies the `front` field in the same way.

9. The program tests the implementation of the abstract data type of queues by making a representative series of calls to the constructor, selectors, and mutators. The results of these calls is printed out when the program is executed.

Notes:

1. Please put your name and MAC ID at the top of each of your files.
2. Your programs must be your own work.
3. Your programs must compile and execute correctly on either mills or moore to receive full marks.
4. Files submitted late will receive no marks.