The Virtual Learning Environment for Computer Programming

Add rotate method to class LinkedQueue

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In the public_files section of the problem statement, a class called **LinkedQueue**, which implements the **Queue ADT** using a singly-linked list, is defined. Extend the implementation of this class with a new public method **rotate()**. This method returns the element at the front of the queue and moves it to the back of the queue.

For example, if ${\bf q}$ is an instance of the class LinkedQueue that represents the following queue

```
front 5, 2, -1, 3, 0, 8, 6 back
```

after executing the statement $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{q.rotate()}$, \mathbf{x} will be 5 and the object \mathbf{q} will represent the queue

```
front 2, -1, 3, 0, 8, 6, 5 back
```

Although the effect of **rotate()** on a non-empty queue **q** is the same as the combination

```
{\bf q.enqueue(q.dequeue())}
```

your implementation should be more efficient than making two separate calls.

You should also override the *special method* _str_ of the class **LinkedQueue** so that the contents of an instance of this class representing a queue of integer numbers can be printed without making any call to the public method **dequeue**.

In particular, you should add the following public methods to the **LinkedQueue** class:

```
def rotate(self):
    # Insert your implementation below

def __str__(self):
    # In the implementation of this method, assume the queue instance
    # can only contain integer numbers. This is only true in the context
    # of this problem.
    # Insert your implementation below
```

Sample input

Sample output

5 2 -1 3 0 8 6

```
5 2 -1 3 0 8 6
rotate returns: 5
2 -1 3 0 8 6 5
```

Problem information

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