

# List

## 1. Introduction to "list" Container:

- The "list" container in STL is an implementation of a doubly-linked list data structure.
- It allows efficient insertion and deletion of elements at both ends and at any position within the list.
- Unlike vectors or arrays, lists do not provide random access to elements.

## 2. Features and Characteristics:

- Doubly-Linked List: Each element in a list contains pointers to both the previous and the next elements, allowing efficient insertion and deletion operations.
- Dynamic Size: The size of a list can grow or shrink dynamically as elements are added or removed.
- No Random Access: Unlike vectors or arrays, lists do not provide direct access to elements using indices. To access an element, we need to traverse the list from the beginning or end.
- Iterators: Lists support bidirectional iterators, which allow iteration over elements in both forward and reverse directions.

## 3. Common Operations and Complexity:

- Insertion and Deletion:
  - Insertion at the beginning or end:  $O(1)$  constant time complexity.
  - Insertion at a specific position:  $O(1)$  constant time complexity for inserting or erasing an element at any position.
- Accessing Elements:
  - Traversing the list:  $O(n)$  linear time complexity, as each element needs to be visited.
- Searching:
  - Linear search:  $O(n)$  linear time complexity, as all elements need to be checked until the desired element is found.

## 4. Use Cases:

- When frequent insertion or deletion of elements is required, especially at the beginning or end of the list.

- When the order of elements is important, and random access is not necessary.
- When memory allocation and reallocation are a concern, as lists dynamically manage memory without requiring large contiguous blocks.

The Time and Space Complexity of the functions used in the code.

1. **myList.empty()**

- Time Complexity:  $O(1)$
- Space Complexity:  $O(1)$

2. **myList.push\_back(10)**

- Time Complexity:  $O(1)$
- Space Complexity:  $O(1)$

3. **printList(myList)**

- Time Complexity:  $O(n)$ , where  $n$  is the number of elements in the list
- Space Complexity:  $O(1)$

4. **myList.insert(it, 15)**

- Time Complexity:  $O(1)$
- Space Complexity:  $O(1)$

5. **myList.remove(10)**

- Time Complexity:  $O(n)$ , where  $n$  is the number of elements in the list
- Space Complexity:  $O(1)$

6. **printListReverse(myList)**

- Time Complexity:  $O(n)$ , where  $n$  is the number of elements in the list
- Space Complexity:  $O(1)$

7. **myList.size()**

- Time Complexity:  $O(1)$
- Space Complexity:  $O(1)$

8. **myList.front()**

- Time Complexity:  $O(1)$
- Space Complexity:  $O(1)$

9. **myList.back()**

- Time Complexity:  $O(1)$
- Space Complexity:  $O(1)$

10. **myList.assign(otherList.begin(), otherList.end())**

- Time Complexity:  $O(n)$ , where  $n$  is the number of elements in the other list
- Space Complexity:  $O(n)$

11. **myList.clear()**

- Time Complexity:  $O(n)$ , where  $n$  is the number of elements in the list
- Space Complexity:  $O(1)$

12. **myList.splice(myList.begin(), otherList)**

- Time Complexity:  $O(1)$
- Space Complexity:  $O(1)$

13. **sortedList.merge(myList)**

- Time Complexity:  $O(n+m)$ , where  $n$  is the number of elements in sortedList and  $m$  is the number of elements in myList
- Space Complexity:  $O(1)$

14. **sortedList.unique()**

- Time Complexity:  $O(n)$ , where  $n$  is the number of elements in the list
- Space Complexity:  $O(1)$

15. **sortedList.resize(3)**

- Time Complexity:  $O(n)$ , where  $n$  is the new size of the list
- Space Complexity:  $O(1)$

16. **sortedList.erase(++it1)**

- Time Complexity:  $O(1)$
- Space Complexity:  $O(1)$