

Data Structures in Python

Chapter 3

- Linked List
- OOP Inheritance
- ListUnsorted Class
- ListSorted Class
- **Iterator**
- Doubly Linked List

Agenda

- Enhancements of LinkedList Classes (LinkedList, ListUnSorted, ListSorted)
 - Adding Count
 - Adding Iterator

The ListUnsorted Class - adding count

- We can add a count variable to count the number of nodes in the list.

```
class ListUnsorted(LinkedList):
    def __init__(self):
        ...

    def push(self, data):
        new_node = Node(data)
        ...
        self.count += 1

    def pop(self, data):
        current = self.head
        ...
        self.count -= 1

    def size(self):
        return self.count

    def is_empty(self):
        return self.count == 0
```

Time complexity: $O(1)$



The ListUnsorted Class - Time Complexity

- Summary

	Python List		ListUnsorted
<code>if len(mylist) == 0: ...</code>	$O(1)$	<code>__len().__</code>	$O(1)$
<code>len</code>	$O(1)$	<code>size</code>	$O(1)$ with <i>count</i> variable $O(n)$ <i>without</i> count variable
<code>push()</code> <code>insert(i, data)</code>	$O(1)$ $O(n)$	<code>push</code>	$O(1)$ (beginning of the linked list)
<code>pop</code> <code>del</code>	$O(n)$ $O(n)$	<code>pop</code>	$O(n)$
<code>in</code>	$O(n)$	<code>find</code>	$O(n)$

Iterators

- **Traversals** are very common operations, especially on containers.
- Python's for loop allows programmer to traverse items in strings, lists, tuples, and dictionaries:

- Lists

```
for item in [1, 2, 3, 4]:  
    print(item)
```

- Tuples

```
for item in (1, 2, 3, 4):  
    print(item)
```

- Dictionaries:

```
for key in {'a': 1, 'b':2, 'c':3}:  
    print(key)
```

- Strings:

```
for ch in 'hello':  
    print(ch)
```

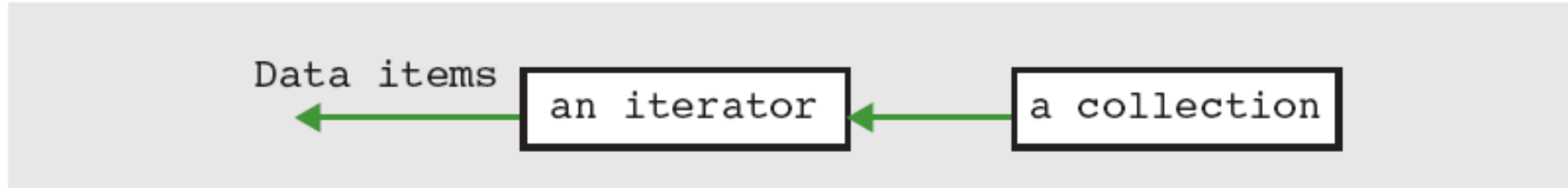
```
for <eachItem> in <collection>:  
    <do something with eachItem>
```

iterable object



Iterators

- Python compiler translates for loop to code that uses a special type of object called an **iterator**.



- An iterator guarantees that each element is visited exactly **once**.
 - It is useful to be able to traverse an ListUnsorted or an ListSorted, i.e., visit each element exactly once.
- To explicitly create an iterator, use the built-in **iter** function:

```
it = iter([1, 2, 3])  
print(next(it))  
print(next(it))
```

1
2

```
>>> it = iter([1, 2, 3])  
>>> print(next(it))  
1  
>>> print(next(it))  
2
```

Iterators

- You can create your own iterators if you write a function to generate the next item.
- You need to add:
 - Constructor
 - The `__iter__()` method, which must return the iterator object.
 - The `__next__()` method, which returns the next element from a sequence.
- For example:

```
obj = MyIterObj(5, 10)
for num in obj:
    print(num, end=" ")
```

5 6 7 8 9 10

Iterators

- Define the `MyIterObj` class which is **iterable**:

```
class MyIterObj:
    def __init__(self, low, high):
        self.curr = low
        self.high = high

    def __iter__(self):
        return self

    def __next__(self):
        if self.curr > self.high:
            raise StopIteration
        else:
            self.curr += 1
            return self.curr - 1
```


Iterators - Linked List Traversals

- Now, we would like to traverse an `ListUnsorted` or an `ListSorted` using a for-loop, i.e., visit each element exactly once.

```
for num in mylist:  
    print(num, end=" ")
```

- However, we will get the following error:

```
for num in mylist:  
    print(num, end=" ")
```

```
for num in mylist:  
TypeError: 'ListUnsorted' object is not iterable
```

- Solution:
 - Create an iterator class for the linked list
 - Add the `__iter__()` method to returns an instance of the `LinkedListIterator` class

Iterators - The LinkedListIterator

- Define `LinkedListIterator` class that defines an iterator object of the `LinkedList`.
 - The object stores the head of the list.
 - It implements `__next__()` method that returns data of the current node and advances to the next node.
 - It maintains the reference of the current node.

```
#!/usr/bin/env python3
# %%writefile linkedlistIterator.py
class LinkedListIterator:
    def __init__(self, head):
        self.head = head
        self.curr = head
    def __next__(self):
        if self.curr != None:
            data = self.curr.get_data()
            self.curr = self.curr.get_next()
            return data
        else:
            raise StopIteration
```

Iterators - The LinkedListIterator

- Define `__iter__()` method that returns an iterator object of the LinkedList.
 - The iterator has the head of LinkedList and knows how to traverse the list.

```
from linkedlistIterator import LinkedListIterator

class ListUnsorted(LinkedList):
    ...
    def __iter__(self):
        return LinkedListIterator(self.head)
    ...

class ListSorted(LinkedList):
    ...

    def __iter__(self):
        return LinkedListIterator(self.head)
    ...
```

```
#!/usr/bin/env python
# %%writefile linkedlistIterator.py
class LinkedListIterator:
    def __init__(self, head):
        self.head = head
        self.curr = head
    def __next__(self):
        if self.curr != None:
            data = self.curr.get_data()
            self.curr = self.curr.get_next()
            return data
        else:
            raise StopIteration
```

Iterators - The LinkedListIterator

- Adding LinkedListIterator in ListUnsorted/ListSorted classes as needed:

```
...  
  
class ListUnsorted(LinkedList):  
    ...  
    def __iter__(self):  
        return LinkedListIterator(self.head)  
    ...  
  
class LinkedListIterator(LinkedList):  
    def __init__(self, head):  
        self.head = head  
        self.curr = head  
    def __next__(self):  
        if self.curr != None:  
            data = self.curr.get_data()  
            self.curr = self.curr.get_next()  
            return data  
        else:  
            raise StopIteration
```

Iterators - The LinkedListIterator

- Example:

```
if __name__ == '__main__':  
    mylist = ListUnsorted()  
    num_list = [24, 65, 12]  
    for num in num_list:  
        mylist.push(num)  
  
    for num in mylist:  
        print(num, end=" ")
```

12 65 24

Exercise - get_sum() function

- Write a function that returns the sum of the list data.

```
def get_sum(node):  
    sum = 0  
  
    # your code here  
  
    return sum
```

```
if __name__ == '__main__':  
    mylist = ListSorted()  
    num_list = [1, 3, 5]  
  
    for num in num_list:  
        mylist.push(num)    # pushing numbers to the linked list  
  
    print(mylist)  
    print('sum =', get_sum(mylist.head))
```

[5, 3, 1]
sum = 9

Summary

- Adding a simple count let `size()` operate in $O(1)$ instead of $O(n)$.
- Adding `__iter__()` function let the user traverse the list using for-loop.