Coding Example: Modifying the list

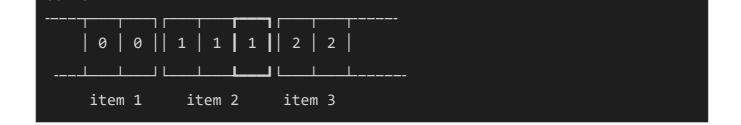
This coding example will help you go through a simple and straightforward solution to add, delete, and set items in a list.



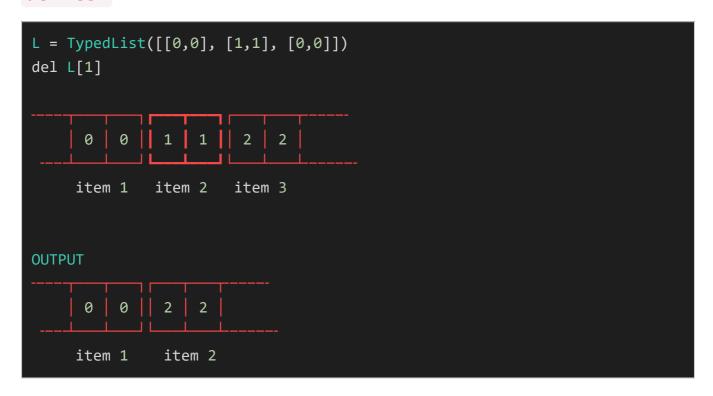
Modification of the list is a little complicated, because it requires managing the memory properly. The solution is pretty straightforward as it poses no real difficulty. You can have a look at the code below (the comments are added at each step to help you understand what's happening).

Note: Always be careful with negative steps, key range and array expansion. When the underlying array needs to be expanded, it's better to expand it more than necessary in order to avoid future expansion.

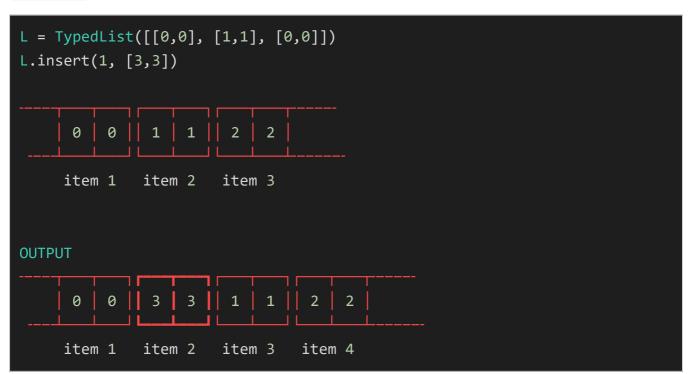
setitem



delitem



insert



Complete Solution:

Here's the complete implementation of the list with all the methods added in the code:

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# -*- coding: utf-8 -*-
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# Copyright (c) 2014, Nicolas P. Rougier. All rights reserved.
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import numpy as np
class ArrayList(object):
   An ArrayList is a strongly typed list whose type can be anything that can be
   interpreted as a numpy data type.
   def __init__(self, data=None, sizes=None, dtype=float, sizeable=True, writeable=True):
       """ Create a new buffer using given data and sizes or dtype
       Parameters
       data: array_like
           An array, any object exposing the array interface, an object
           whose __array__ method returns an array, or any (nested) sequence.
       sizes: int or 1-D array
           If `itemsize is an integer, N, the array will be divided
           into elements of size N. If such partition is not possible,
           an error is raised.
           If `itemsize` is 1-D array, the array will be divided into
           elements whose successive sizes will be picked from itemsize.
           If the sum of itemsize values is different from array size,
           an error is raised.
       dtype: np.dtype
           Any object that can be interpreted as a numpy data type.
       sizeable : boolean
           Indicate whether item can be appended/inserted/deleted
       writeable : boolean
           Indicate whether content can be changed
       self._sizeable = sizeable
       self._writeable = writeable
       if data is not None:
           if type(data) in [list,tuple]:
               if type(data[0]) in [list,tuple]:
                   sizes = [len(1) for 1 in data]
                   data = [item for sublist in data for item in sublist]
           self._data = np.array(data, copy=False)
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# Default is one group with all data inside
        _sizes = np.ones(1)*self._data.size
        # Check item sizes and get items count
        if sizes is not None:
            if type(sizes) is int:
                if (self._size % sizes) != 0:
                    raise ValueError("Cannot partition data as requested")
                self._count = self._size//sizes
                _sizes = np.ones(self._count,dtype=int)*(self._size//self._count)
            else:
                _sizes = np.array(sizes, copy=False)
                self._count = len(sizes)
                if _sizes.sum() != self._size:
                    raise ValueError("Cannot partition data as requested")
        else:
            self._count = 1
        # Store items
        self._items = np.zeros((self._count,2),int)
        C = _sizes.cumsum()
        self. items[1:,0] += C[:-1]
        self._items[0:,1] += C
    else:
        self._data = np.zeros(512, dtype=dtype)
        self._items = np.zeros((64,2), dtype=int)
        self._size = 0
        self._count = 0
@property
def data(self):
    """ The array's elements, in memory. """
    return self._data[:self._size]
@property
def itemsize(self):
    """ Individual item sizes """
    return self._items[:self._count,1] - self._items[:self._count,0]
@property
def size(self):
    """ Number of base elements, in memory. """
    return self._size
@property
    """ Describes the format of the elements in the buffer. """
    return self._data.dtype
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self._size = self._data.size

def len (self):

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""" x.__len__() <==> len(x) """
   return self._count
def __str__(self):
   s = '[ '
   for item in self: s += str(item) + ' '
   return s
def __getitem__(self, key):
   """ x.__getitem__(y) <==> x[y] """
   if type(key) is int:
        if key < 0:
            key += len(self)
        if key < 0 or key >= len(self):
            raise IndexError("Tuple index out of range")
        dstart = self._items[key][0]
        dstop = self._items[key][1]
        return self._data[dstart:dstop]
   elif type(key) is slice:
        istart, istop, step = key.indices(len(self))
       if istart > istop:
            istart,istop = istop,istart
        dstart = self._items[istart][0]
        if istart == istop:
            dstop = dstart
            dstop = self._items[istop-1][1]
        return self._data[dstart:dstop]
   elif isinstance(key,str):
        return self._data[key][:self._size]
   elif key is Ellipsis:
        return self.data
   else:
        raise TypeError("List indices must be integers")
def __setitem__(self, key, data):
    """ x.__setitem__(i, y) <==> x[i]=y """
   if not self. writeable:
        raise AttributeError("List is not sizeable")
   if type(key) is int:
        if key < 0:
            key += len(self)
       if key < 0 or key > len(self):
            raise IndexError("List assignment index out of range")
        dstart = self._items[key][0]
        dstop = self._items[key][1]
        self._data[dstart:dstop] = data
    elif type(kev) is slice:
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istart, istop, step = key.indices(len(self))
        if istart > istop:
            istart,istop = istop,istart
        if istart == istop:
            dstart = self._items[key][0]
            dstop = self._items[key][1]
            self._data[dstart:dstop] = data
        else:
            if istart > len(self) or istop > len(self):
                raise IndexError("Can only assign iterable")
           dstart = self._items[istart][0]
            if istart == istop:
                dstop = dstart
           else:
                dstop = self._items[istop-1][1]
            self._data[dstart:dstop] = data
   elif key is Ellipsis:
        self.data[...] = data
   elif type(key) is str:
        self._data[key][:self._size] = data
   else:
        raise TypeError("List assignment indices must be integers")
def delitem (self, key):
    """ x.__delitem__(y) <==> del x[y] """
   if not self._sizeable:
        raise AttributeError("List is not sizeable")
    # Deleting a single item
   if type(key) is int:
        if key < 0:
           key += len(self)
       if key < 0 or key > len(self):
            raise IndexError("List deletion index out of range")
        istart, istop = key, key+1
        dstart,dstop = self._items[key]
    # Deleting several items
    elif type(key) is slice:
        istart, istop, step = key.indices(len(self))
       if istart > istop:
            istart,istop = istop,istart
        if istart == istop:
           return
        dstart = self._items[istart][0]
        dstop = self._items[istop-1][1]
    # Ellipsis
    elif key is Ellipsis:
        istart,istop = 0, len(self)
        dstart, dstop = 0, self.size
   # Error
    else:
        raise TypeError("List deletion indices must be integers")
    # Remove data
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size = self._size - (dstop-dstart)
   self._data[dstart:dstart+size] = self._data[dstop:dstop+size]
    self._size -= dstop-dstart
    # Remove corresponding items
   size = self._count - istop
    self._items[istart:istart+size] = self._items[istop:istop+size]
   # Update other items
   size = dstop-dstart
   self._items[istart:istop+size+1] -= size, size
    self._count -= istop-istart
def insert(self, index, data, sizes=None):
    """ Insert data before index
   Parameters
    ------
   index : int
        Index before which data will be inserted.
   data : array_like
        An array, any object exposing the array interface, an object
        whose __array__ method returns an array, or any (nested) sequence.
    sizes: int or 1-D array
        If `itemsize is an integer, N, the array will be divided
        into elements of size N. If such partition is not possible,
        an error is raised.
       If `itemsize` is 1-D array, the array will be divided into
       elements whose successive sizes will be picked from itemsize.
       If the sum of itemsize values is different from array size,
       an error is raised.
   if not self._sizeable:
        raise RuntimeError("List is not sizeable")
    if type(data) in [list,tuple] and type(data[0]) in [list,tuple]:
        sizes = [len(1) for 1 in data]
        data = [item for sublist in data for item in sublist]
   data = np.array(data,copy=False).ravel()
    size = data.size
    # Check item size and get item number
   if sizes is not None:
        if type(sizes) is int:
           if (size % sizes) != 0:
                raise ValueError("Cannot partition data as requested")
            count = size//sizes
            _sizes = np.ones(_count,dtype=int)*(size//_count)
        else:
            _sizes = np.array(sizes,copy=False)
            _count = len(sizes)
           if _sizes.sum() != size:
                raise ValueError("Cannot partition data as requested")
    else:
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_{count} = 1
# Check if data array is big enough and resize it if necessary
if self._size + size >= self._data.size:
    capacity = int(2**np.ceil(np.log2(self._size + size)))
    self._data = np.resize(self._data, capacity)
# Check if item array is big enough and resize it if necessary
if self._count + _count >= len(self._items):
    capacity = int(2**np.ceil(np.log2(self._count + _count)))
    self._items = np.resize(self._items, (capacity, 2))
# Check index
if index < 0:
    index += len(self)
if index < 0 or index > len(self):
    raise IndexError("List insertion index out of range")
# Inserting
if index < self. count:</pre>
    istart = index
    dstart = self._items[istart][0]
    dstop = self._items[istart][1]
    # Move data
    self._data[dstart+size:self._size+size] = self._data[dstart:self._size]
    # Update moved items
    I = self._items[istart:self._count]+size
    self._items[istart+_count:self._count+_count] = I
# Appending
else:
    dstart = self._size
    istart = self._count
# Only one item (faster)
if _count == 1:
    # Store data
    self._data[dstart:dstart+size] = data
    self._size += size
    # Store data location (= item)
    self. items[istart][0] = dstart
    self._items[istart][1] = dstart+size
    self._count += 1
# Several items
else:
    # Store data
   dstop = dstart + size
    self._data[dstart:dstop] = data
    self. size += size
    # Store items
    items = np.ones((_count,2),int)*dstart
    C = _sizes.cumsum()
    items[1:,0] += C[:-1]
    items[0:,1] += C
    istop = istart + _count
    self._items[istart:istop] = items
    self._count += _count
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def append(self, data, sizes=None):

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        Append data to the end.
        Parameters
        data : array_like
            An array, any object exposing the array interface, an object
            whose __array__ method returns an array, or any (nested) sequence.
        sizes: int or 1-D array
            If `itemsize is an integer, N, the array will be divided
            into elements of size N. If such partition is not possible,
            an error is raised.
            If `itemsize` is 1-D array, the array will be divided into
            elements whose successive sizes will be picked from itemsize.
            If the sum of itemsize values is different from array size,
            an error is raised.
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        self.insert(len(self), data, sizes)
L = ArrayList(np.arange(10), [3,3,4])
print("L")
print (L)
#[[0 1 2] [3 4 5] [6 7 8 9]]
print("L.data")
print (L.data)
#[0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9]
# Set an item
print("L[0]=3,3,3")
L[0] = 3,3,3
print (L)
#[3 3 3] [3 4 5] [6 7 8 9]]
# Delete an item
print("del L[0]")
del L[0]
print (L)
#[[3 4 5][6 7 8 9]]
# Insert an item
print("L.insert(1, [3,3])")
L.insert(1, [3,3])
print (L)
#[[3 4 5] [3 3] [6 7 8 9]]
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Note: You can also add several items at once by specifying common or individual size: a single scalar means all items are the same size while a list of sizes is used to specify individual item sizes.

In the next lesson, we will discuss another interesting type called the <i>Memory-aware</i> array!