- This lab will cover dynamic arrays (list) and run-time analysis of list methods.
- It is assumed that you have reviewed chapter 5 of the textbook. You may want to refer to the text and your lecture notes during the lab as you solve the problems.
- When approaching the problems, <u>think before you code</u>. Doing so is good practice and can help you lay out possible solutions.
- Think of any possible test cases that can potentially cause your solution to fail!
- You must stay for the duration of the lab. If you finish early, you may help other students. If you don't finish by the end of the lab, we recommend you complete it on your own time. Ideally, you should not spend more time than suggested for each problem.
- Your TAs are available to answer questions in the lab, during office hours, and on Piazza.

## Vitamins (30 minutes)

1. Give the **worst case** run-time for each of the following list methods. Write your answer in asymptotic notation in terms of n, the length of the list. Provide an appropriate summation for multiple calls. (25 minutes)

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Given: lst = [1, 2, 3, 4, ..., n] and len(lst) is n.
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What will be the run-time when calling the following for lst?

Method	1 Call	n Calls
		for i in range(n):
append()		What will be the total cost if lst = [] instead? Will the overall run-time change?
insert(0, val)		What will be the total cost if lst = [] instead? Will the overall run-time change?

Optional: Derive the amortized cost of a single call.

2. Given the following mystery functions: (5 minutes)

- i. Replace mystery with an appropriate name (what does the function do?)
- **ii.** Determine the function's worst-case runtime and extra space usage with respect to the input size.

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a. def mystery(n):
    lst = []
    for i in range(n):
        lst.insert(i, i)

b. def mystery(n):
    for i in range(1, n+1):
        total = sum([num for num in range(i)])
        print(total)
```

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C. def mystery(lst):
    lst2 = lst.copy()
    lst2.reverse()
    if (lst == lst2):
        return True
    return False
```

## **Coding**

In this section, it is strongly recommended that you solve the problem on paper before writing code.

Download the ArrayList.py file found under /Content/Labs on NYU Brightspace

Extend the ArrayList class implemented during lecture with the following methods:

a. Implement the \_\_repr\_\_ method for the ArrayList class, which will allow us to display our ArrayList object like the Python list when calling the print function. The output is a sequence of elements enclosed in [] with each element separated by a space and a comma. (10 minutes)

```
ex) arr is an ArrayList with [1, 2, 3]

→ print(arr) outputs [1, 2, 3]
```

<u>Note</u>: Your implementation should create the string in  $\Theta(n)$ , where n = len(arr).

b. Implement the \_\_add\_\_ method for the ArrayList class, so that the expression arr1 + arr2 is evaluated to a **new** ArrayList object representing the concatenation of these two lists. (10 minutes)

Note: If  $n_1$  is the size of arr1, and  $n_2$  is the size of arr2, then \_\_add\_\_ should run in  $\Theta(n_1 + n_2)$ 

c. Implement the \_\_iadd\_\_ method for the ArrayList class, so that the expression arr1 += arr2 mutates arr1 to contain the concatenation of these two lists.

You may remember that this operation produces the same result as the extend method.

Your implementation should return *self*, which is the object being mutated. (10 minutes)

Note: If  $n_1$  is the size of arr1, and  $n_2$  is the size of arr2, then \_\_iadd\_\_ should run in  $\Theta(n_1 + n_2)$ . It's not  $n_2$  because we have to take array resizing into account.

d. Modify the \_\_getitem\_\_ and \_\_setitem\_\_ methods implemented in class to also support **negative** indices. The position a negative index refers to is the same as in the Python list class. That is -1 is the index of the last element, -2 is the index of the second last, and so on. (20 minutes)

```
ex) arr is an ArrayList with [1, 2, 3]

→ print(arr[-1]) outputs 3

→ arr[-1] = 5
print(arr[-1]) outputs 5 now
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<u>Note</u>: Your method should also raise an IndexError in case the index (positive or negative) is out of range.

e. Implement the \_\_mul\_\_ method for the ArrayList class, so that the expression arr1 \* k (where k is a positive integer) creates a **new** ArrayList object, which contains k copies of the elements in arr1. (15 minutes)

```
ex) arr1 is an ArrayList with [1, 2, 3]

→ arr2 = arr1 * 2

arr2 is a new ArrayList with [1, 2, 3, 1, 2, 3].
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<u>Note</u>: If *n* is the size of arr1 and k is the int, then \_\_mul\_\_ should run in  $\Theta(k * n)$ .

f. Implement the \_\_rmul\_\_ method to also allow the expression n \* arr1. The behavior of n \* arr1 should be equivalent to the behaviour of arr1 \* n. (5 minutes)

(You've done this before for the Vector problem in homework 1)

g. Modify the constructor <u>\_\_init\_\_</u> to include an option to pass in an iterable collection such as a string and return an ArrayList object containing each element of the collection. Do not account for dictionaries.(10 minutes)

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ex) arr = ArrayList("Python")

→ print(arr) outputs ['P','y','t',h','o','n']

→ arr2 = ArrayList(range(10))

→ print(arr2) outputs [0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9]
```

h. Implement a remove() method that will remove the first instance of val in the ArrayList. Set None in place of the val that is removed. You do not have to account for resizing the array for this question. (20 minutes)

```
ex) arr is an ArrayList with [1, 2, 3, 2, 3, 4, 2, 2]

→ arr.remove(2)

→ print(arr2) outputs [1, 3, 2, 3, 4, 2, 2]
```

i. Implement a removeAll() method that will remove all instances of val in the ArrayList. The implementation should be in-place and maintain the relative order of the other values. It must also be done in  $\Theta(n)$  run-time. Set None in place of the val that is removed. You do not have to account for resizing the array for this question.

```
ex) arr is an ArrayList with [1, 2, 3, 2, 3, 4, 2, 2]

→ arr.removeAll(2)

→ print(arr2) outputs [1, 3, 3, 4]
```