## Basic Data Structures: Arrays and Linked Lists

## Array

Contiguous area of memory consisting of equal-size elements indexed by contiguous integers

# **Property of array**

Constant-time access: array\_addr + elem\_size\*(i - first\_index)

Constant-time to add or remove at the end

Linear time to add or remove at any other location

# Times for common operations of array

|           | Add  | Remove |  |
|-----------|------|--------|--|
| Beginning | O(n) | O(n)   |  |
| End       | O(1) | O(1)   |  |
| Middle    | O(n) | O(n)   |  |

# Singly-Linked List

Each node contains: key and next pointer

## List API

| API            | Description          | Time Complexity                      |
|----------------|----------------------|--------------------------------------|
| PushFront(Key) | add to front         | O(1)                                 |
| Key TopFront() | return front<br>item |                                      |
| PopFront       | remove front<br>item | O(1)                                 |
| PushBack(Key)  | add to back          | No tail: $O(n)$<br>With tail: $O(1)$ |
| Key TopBack()  | return back<br>item  |                                      |

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|---|-------------------------|--|
| PopBack()   | remove back<br>item     | No tail: $O(n)$<br>With tail: $O(n)$<br>because it needs a linear search to find the<br>second last node |
| Boolean<br>Find(Key)  | is key in list?         |  |
| Erase(Key)  | remove key<br>from list |  |
| Boolean Empty()   | empty list?             |  |
| AddBefore(Node,<br>Key)   | adds key<br>before node |  |
| AddAfter(Nodem<br>Key)  | adds key after<br>node  |  |
| PushFront(key):  node <- new node  node.key <- key  node.next <- head  head <- node |                         |  |

```
PopFront():
   if head == nil:
       ERROR: empty list
head <- head.next
   if head == nil:
       tail <- nil</pre>
```

if tail == nil:

tail <- head

```
PushBack(key):
node <- new node
node.key <- key
node.next = nil
if tail == nil:
    head <- tail <- node
else:
    tail.next <- node
tail <- node</pre>
```

```
PopBack():
    if head == nil:
        ERROR: empty list
    if head == tail:
        head <- tail <- nil
    else:
        p <- head
        while p.next.next != nil:
            p <- p.next
        p.next <- nil
        tail <- p</pre>
```

```
AddAfter(node, key):

node2 <- new node

node2.key <- key

node2.next = node.next

node.next = node2

if tail == node:

tail <- node2
```

# **Doubly-Linked List**

Each node contains: key, next pointer and prev pointer.

```
PushBack(key):
node <- new node
node.key <- key
node.next = nil
if tail == nil:
    head <- tail <- node
    node.prev <- nil
else:
    tail.next <- node
node.prev <- tail
tail <- node</pre>
```

```
PopBack(): # O(1) for doubly-linked list and O(n) for singly-linked list
if head == nil:
    ERROR: empty list
if head == tail:
    head <- tail <- nil
else:
    tail <- tail.prev
    tail.next <- nil</pre>
```

```
AddAfter(node, key):

node2 <- new node

node2.key <- key

node2.next <- node.next

node2.prev <- node

node.next <- node2

if node2.next != nil:

    node2.next.prev <- node2

if tail == node:

    tail <- node2
```

```
AddBefore(node, key): # O(1) for doubly-linked list and O(n) for singly-linked list
node2 <- new node
node2.key <- key
node2.next <- node
node2.prev <- node.prev
node.prev <- node2
if node2.prev != nil:
    node2.prev.next <- node2
if head == node:
    head <- node2
```

Remark: With doubly-linked list, constant time to insert between nodes or remove a node. List elements need not be contiguous. It takes O(n) time to find arbitrary element.

## **Basic Data Structures: Stacks and Queues**

### Stack

An abstract data type with the following operations:

- Push (Key): adds key to collection
- Key Top(): returns most recently-added key
- Key Pop (): removes and returns most recently-added key
- Boolean Empty(): are they any elements?

## **Balanced Brackets**

Input: A string str consisting of '(', ')', '[', ']' characters.

Output: Return whether or not the string's parentheses and square brackets are balanced.

```
IsBalanced(str):
Stack stack
for char in str:
    if char in ['(', '[']:
        stack.Push(char)
    else:
        if stack.Empty():
            return False
        top <- stack.Pop()
        if (top = '[') and char != ']') or (top = '(') and char != ')'):
        return False
return stack.Empty()</pre>
```

Stacks can be implemented with either an array or a linked list. Each stack operation is O(1): Push, Pop, Top, Empty. Stacks are occasionally known as LIFO queues.

## Queue

An abstract data type with the following operations:

- Enqueue (Key): adds key to collection
- Key Dequeue (): removes and returns least recently-added key
- Boolean Empty(): are there any elements?

Queues can be implemented with either a linked list (with tail pointer) or an array (Dequeue costs O(n) under array implementation). Each queue operation is O(1): Enqueue, Dequeue, Empty. Queues are FIFO data structures.

### **Basic Data Structures: Trees**

#### Tree

A tree is

- empty, or
- a node with:
  - o a key, and
  - a list of child trees.

# Terminology of tree

- Root: top node in the tree
- A child has a line down directly from a parent
- Ancestor: parent, or parent of parent, etc.
- Descendant: child, or child of child, etc.
- Sibling: sharing the same parent
- Leaf: node with no children
- Interior node: non leaf
- Level: 1 + num edges between root and node
- Height: maximum depth of subtree node and farthest leaf

• Forest: collection of trees

In general, node contains:

- key
- children: list of children nodes
- (optional) parent

For binary tree, node contains:

- key
- left
- right
- (optional) parent

```
Height(tree):
if tree == nil:
    return 0
return 1 + Max(Height(tree.left), Height(tree.right))
```

```
Size(tree):
  if tree == nil:
    return 0
return 1 + Size(tree.left) + Size(tree.right)
```

```
InOrderTraversal(tree): # Depth first
if tree == nil:
    return
InOrderTraversal(tree.left)
Print(tree.key)
InOrderTraversal(tree.right)
```

```
PreOrderTraversal(tree): # Depth first
if tree == nil:
    return
Print(tree.key)
PreOrderTraversal(tree.left)
PreORderTraversal(tree.right)
```

```
PostOrderTraversal(tree): # Depth first
if tree == nil:
    return
PostOrderTraversal(tree.left)
PostOrderTraversal(tree.right)
Print(tree.key)
```

```
LevelTraversal(tree): # Breadth first
if tree == nil:
    return
Queue q
q.Enqueue(tree)
while not q.Empty():
    node <- q.Dequeue()
    Print(node)
    if node.left != nil:
        q.Enqueue(node.left)
    if node.right != nil:
        q.Enqueue(node.right)</pre>
```