CSC148 Worksheet 11 Solution

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Question 1

a. Here, the constant time means the running time of accessing and assigning element by index doesn't depend on the length of the list.

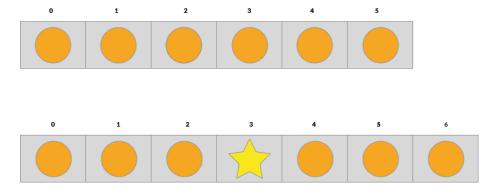
b.

$$n-i$$

many elements need to be shifted to right.

Notes:

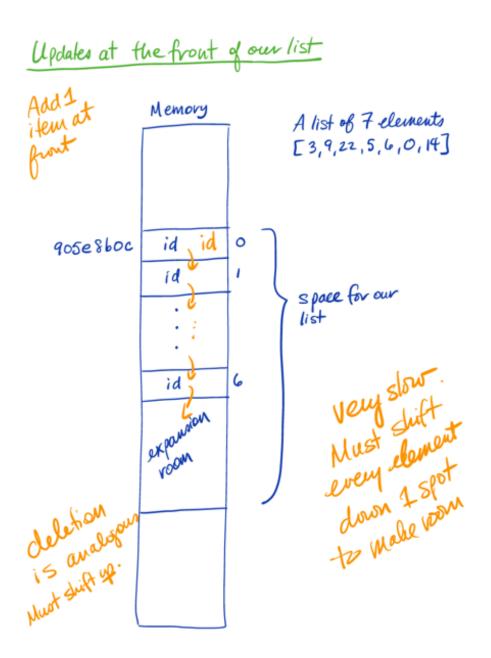
• The following example tells us



to position an element at index i=3 of the list, n-i=6-3=3 elements must be moved over.

Using this fact, we can generalize that to position an element at index i of the list, n-i many elements must be shifted.

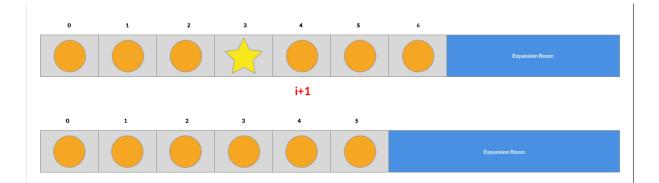
• Learned that when items shifts, it shifts into the expansion room.



c. Because we know the list size stays as is when an element is removed, we can conclude 0 many list elements must be moved.

Correct Solution:

The following example tells us



when an element at index i = 3 is removed from the list n - (i + 1) = 7 - (3 - 1) = 3 many elements must be moved.

Using this fact, we can generalize that when an element is removed, n-(i+1) = n-i-1 many elements must be shifted to left.

d. i. A solution is LIST.remove(...).

The answer to question 1.d tells us when an element is removed, n-i must be shifted to left.

Using this fact, we can write a list of smaller size needs to shift elements less.

Then, it follows from this fact that n = 100 works faster than n = 1,000,000.

ii. A solution is LIST.append(...)

The definition of append tells us that upon call, an element is added to the end of a list, it takes a constant time to add an element as long as the expansion room is not filled.

It follows from this fact that n = 100 and n = 1,000,000 takes roughly the same amount of time.

Question 2