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Data Structures & Algorithms

ISYS2001 Introduction to Business Programming

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Today

- What are Data Structures?
- Basic Data Structures in Python
- What are Algorithms?
- Important Algorithms in Python
- Algorithm Examples

What are data Structures?

Python Data Structures

- Built-in
 - Lists
 - Tuples and Named Tuples
 - Sets
 - Dictionaries
- User Defined (using built-in)
 - Stacks
 - Queues
 - Linked Lists
 - Hash Maps
 - Trees
 - Graphs

Lists

```
[4]: list1 = [] # creating an empty list
      list2 = [1, 2.4, 'abc', (1, 2), [6, 78, 9]] # creating a list of different values

      print("The type of", list1, "is:", type(list1))

      print("The type of", list2, "is:", type(list2))
```

The type of [] is: <class 'list'>

The type of [1, 2.4, 'abc', (1, 2), [6, 78, 9]] is: <class 'list'>

Lists

```
[5]: list_1 = [1, 3, 5.6, 'a', "Hello World", 0.4]

print("list_1[2:5] =", list_1[2:5])  # slicing 3rd to 5th element

print("list_1[-5:-2] =", list_1[-5:-2])  # slicing last 5th to 3rd element

print("list_1[3:] =", list_1[3:])  # slicing all elements after 3rd one

print("list_1[:2] =", list_1[:2])  # slicing all elements till 2nd one

print("list_1[::-2] =", list_1[::-2])  # slicing all elements till last 2nd one

list_1[2:5] = [5.6, 'a', 'Hello World']
list_1[-5:-2] = [3, 5.6, 'a']
list_1[3:] = ['a', 'Hello World', 0.4]
list_1[:2] = [1, 3]
list_1[::-2] = [1, 3, 5.6, 'a']
```

Lists

- `my_list.append(x)`
- `my_list.extend(L)`
- `my_list.insert(i, x)`
- `my_list.remove(x)`
- `my_list.pop([i])`
- `my_list.clear()`
- `my_list.index(x)`
- `my_list.count(x)`
- `my_list.sort()`
- `my_list.reverse()`
- `my_list.copy`

Tuples

```
[6]: my_tuple = (91, 3.4, "hello")

print(my_tuple[0])

my_tuple[0] = 12
```

91

```
-----  
TypeError                                     Traceback (most recent call last)
Input In [6], in <cell line: 5>()
      1 my_tuple = (91, 3.4, "hello")
      3 print(my_tuple[0])
----> 5 my_tuple[0] = 12

TypeError: 'tuple' object does not support item assignment
```

Tuples - unpacking

```
[7]: tup = 1, 2, 3 # packing, parenthesis optional  
  
print("The type of ", tup, "is: ", type(tup))  
  
a, b, c = tup #unpacking  
  
print(a)  
print(b)  
print(c)
```

```
The type of (1, 2, 3) is: <class 'tuple'>  
1  
2  
3
```

Sets

```
[11]: set1 = {1, 2, 'a', 't', 7.5}
set2 = {'g', 2, 'u', 5.6}

set1.add(5)
print(set1)
print(len(set1))

set2.pop()
print(set2)

set1.remove('a')
print(set1)
set1.discard(1)
print(set1)

set2.remove(5.6)

set1.discard(5)
print(set1)

set2.clear()
print(len(set2))
```

```
{1, 2, 5, 7.5, 't', 'a'}
6
{'g', 'u', 5.6}
{1, 2, 5, 7.5, 't'}
{2, 5, 7.5, 't'}
{2, 7.5, 't'}
0
```

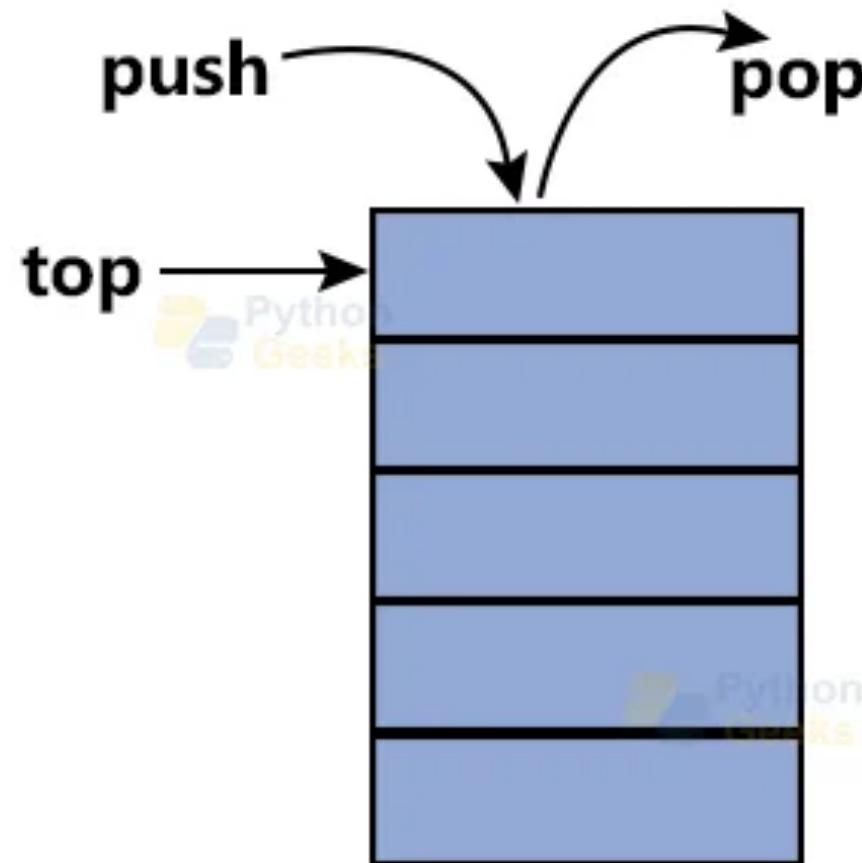
Dictionaries – key:value pairs

```
[12]: phonebook = {  
    "bob": 7387,  
    "alice": 3719,  
    "jack": 7052,  
}  
  
squares = {x: x * x for x in range(6)}  
  
print(phonebook["alice"])  
  
squares
```

3719

```
[12]: {0: 0, 1: 1, 2: 4, 3: 9, 4: 16, 5: 25}
```

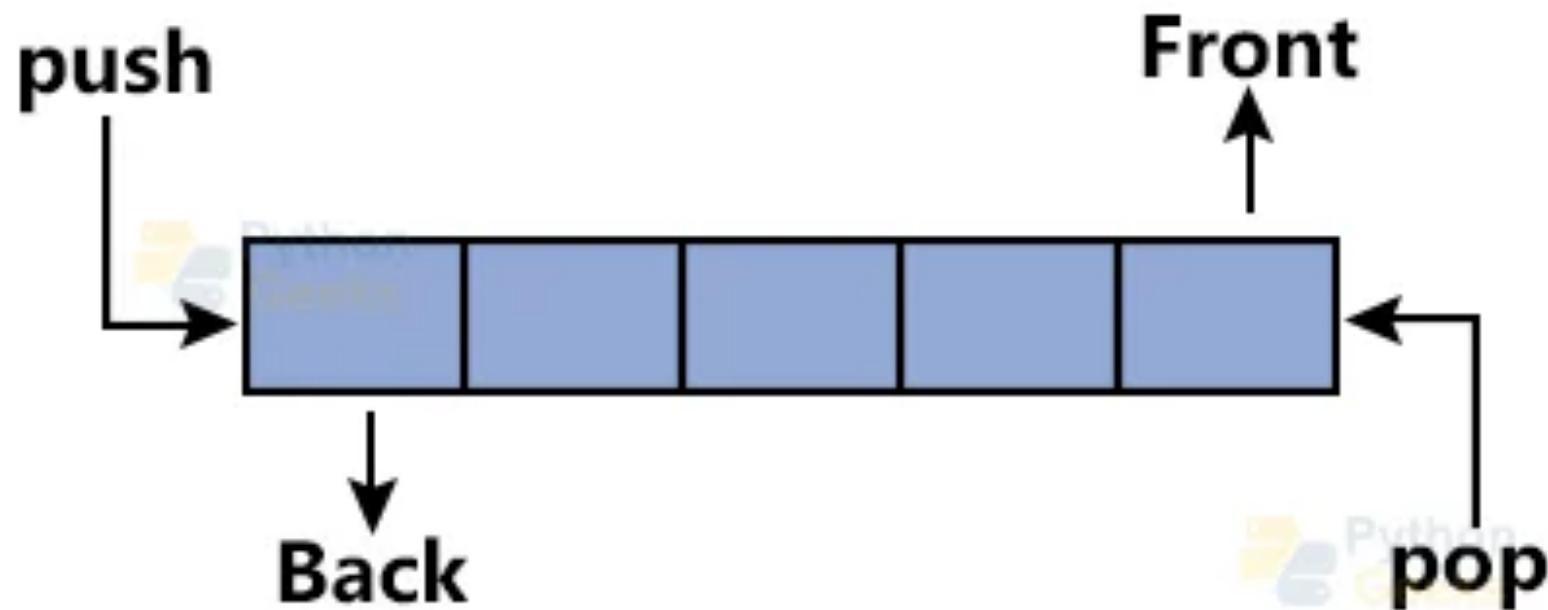
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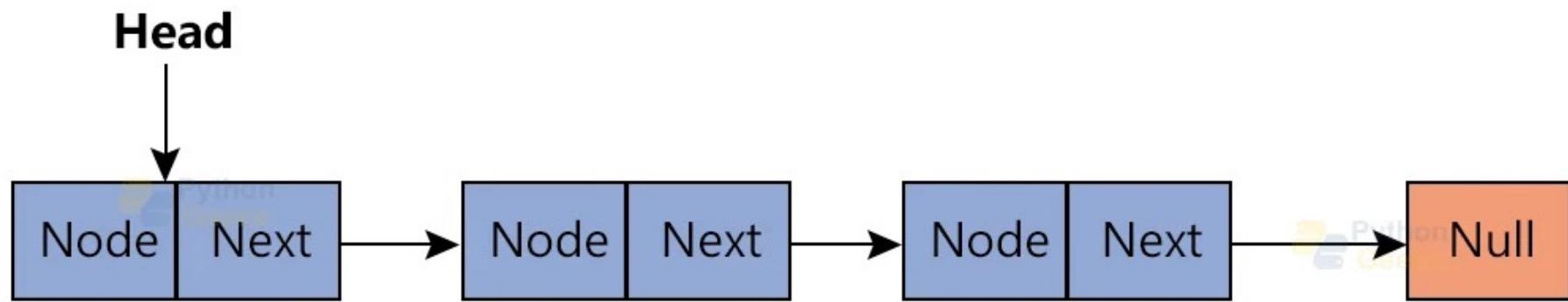
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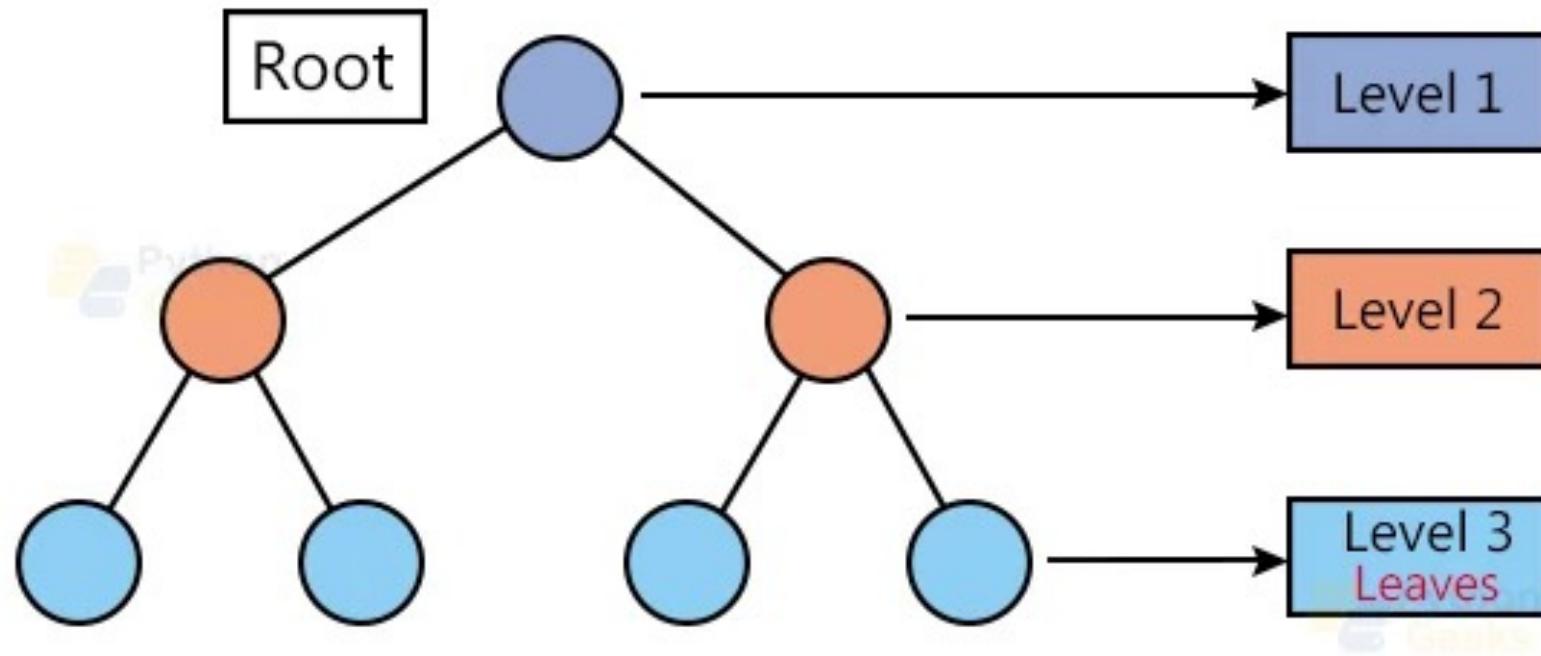
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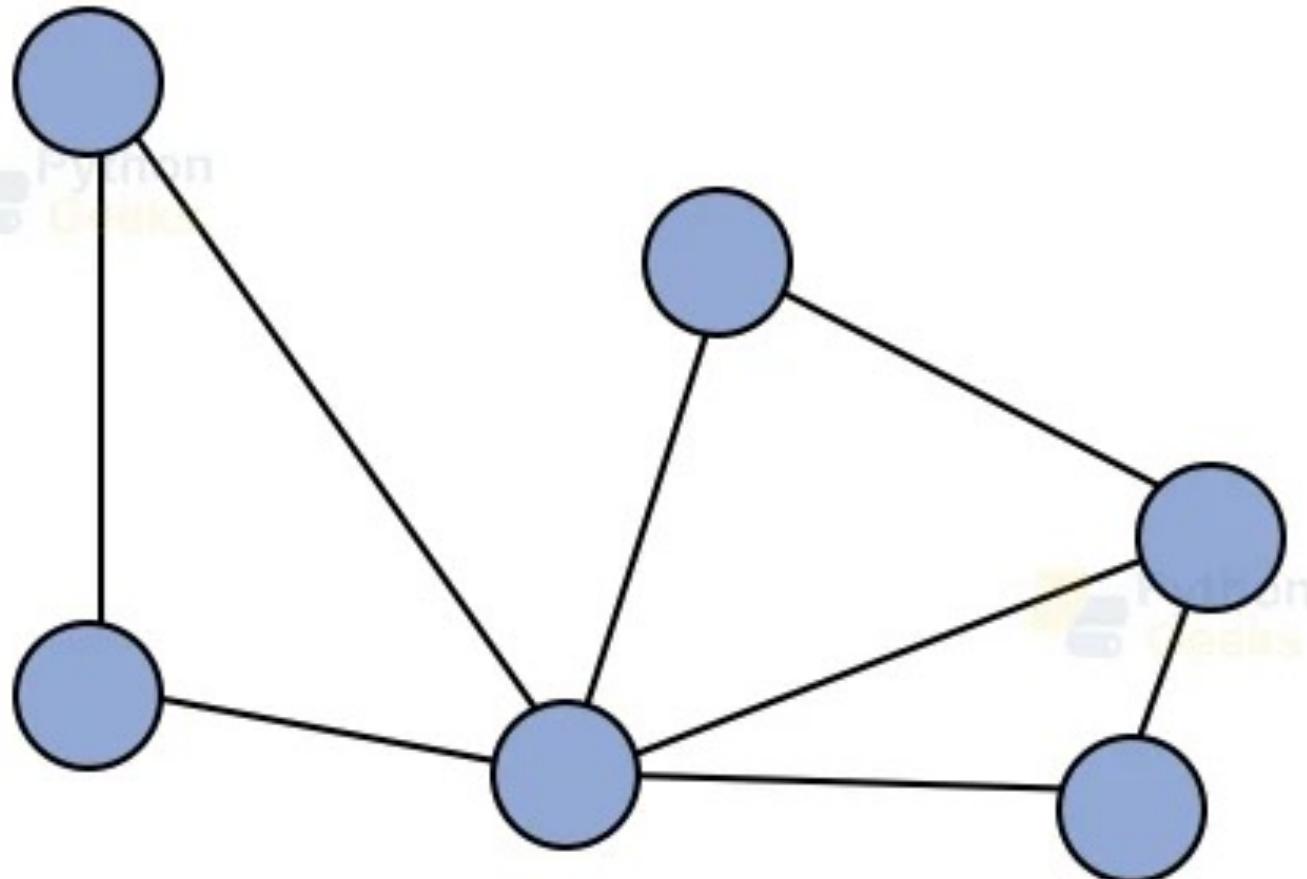
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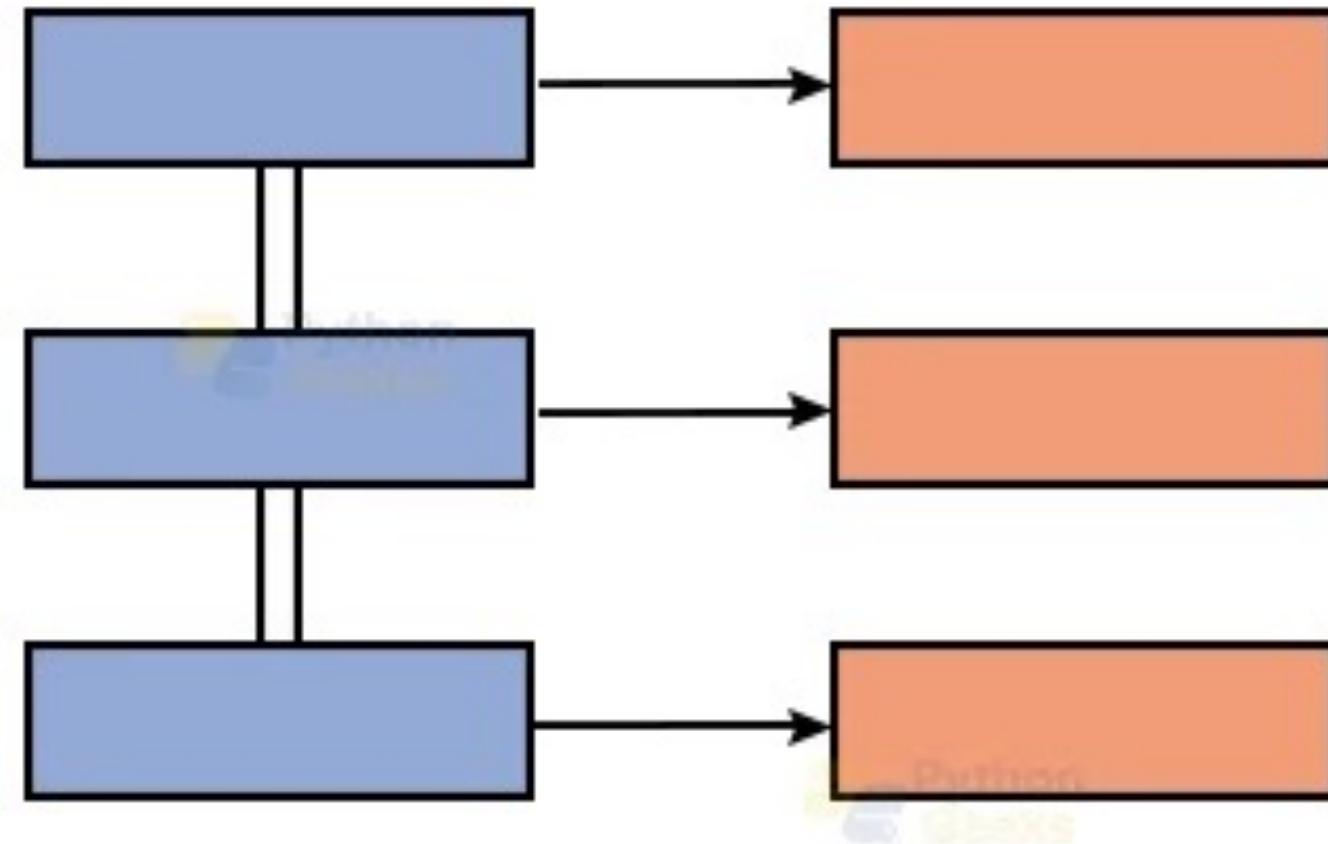
Tree



Graph



Hash Maps



What are Algorithms?

Fundamental Algorithms

- Searching
- Sorting
- Graph
- Artificial Intelligence
- Dynamic Programming
- Greedy Algorithms
- Divide and Conquer
- Backtracking
- Numerical Algorithms

How Compare

- Measure Space (memory, disk space)
- Measure Time (number of operations)
- Use Big-O notation
 - $O(1)$ – constant
 - $O(\log n)$ – logarithmic
 - $O(n)$ – linear
 - $O(n^2)$ – Quadratic
 - $O(2^n)$ - Exponential

Example – Linear Search

- Find an element in a list by iterating through the list.
- Time Complexity: $O(n)$

```
def linear_search(arr, target):  
    for index, element in enumerate(arr):  
        if element == target:  
            return index # Target found, return its index  
  
    return -1 # Target not found, return -1
```

Example – Binary Search

- Search a **sorted** list by repeatedly dividing the list in half.
- Time Complexity: $O(\log n)$

```
def binary_search(arr, target):  
    low, high = 0, len(arr) - 1  
  
    while low <= high:  
        mid = (low + high) // 2  
        mid_value = arr[mid]  
  
        if mid_value == target:  
            return mid # Target found, return its index  
        elif mid_value < target:  
            low = mid + 1  
        else:  
            high = mid - 1  
  
    return -1 # Target not found, return -1
```

Example - Selection Sort

- Sort a list by repeatedly swapping adjacent elements if they are in the wrong order.
- Time Complexity: $O(n^2)$

```
def selection_sort(arr):  
    n = len(arr)  
  
    for i in range(n - 1):  
        min_index = i  
        for j in range(i + 1, n):  
            if arr[j] < arr[min_index]:  
                min_index = j  
        arr[i], arr[min_index] = arr[min_index], arr[i]  
  
    return arr
```

Summary

- Data structures are essential for organizing and managing data efficiently.
- Basic data structures in Python: Lists, Tuples, Sets, and Dictionaries.
- Algorithms are step-by-step procedures
- Study Algorithms improves performance