

Doubly-linked Lists

What is a singly-linked list?

- A **singly-linked list** is a sequence of data items, each connected to the next by a pointer called **next**.



- A data item may be a primitive value, a composite value, or even another pointer.
- A singly-linked list is a recursive data structure whose nodes refers to nodes of the same type.

What is a template in C++?

```
template<typename T1, ..., typename Tn>  
class AClassTemplate  
{  
    // class specification  
};
```

- A template is a parameterized abstraction over a class.
- From the language-theoretical perspective, templates are 2nd order functions from types to classes/functions.
- To instantiate a class template we supply the desired types, as actual template parameters, so that the C++ compiler can synthesize a specialized class for the template.

Singly-Linked List Class Template

The typename parameter binds all occurrences of DataType in SinglyLinkedList

```
4  template <typename DataType>
5  struct SinglyLinkedList
6  {
7      DataType fData;
8      SinglyLinkedList* fNext;
9
10     SinglyLinkedList( const DataType& aData, SinglyLinkedList* aNext = nullptr ) :
11         fData(aData),
12         fNext(aNext)
13     {}
14
15     SinglyLinkedList( DataType&& aData, SinglyLinkedList* aNext = nullptr ) :
16         fData(std::move(aData)),
17         fNext(aNext)
18     {}
19 };
```

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A Simple Test

```
2  #include <iostream>
3  #include <string>
4
5  using namespace std;
6
7  #include "SinglyLinkedList.h"
8
9  int main()
10 {
11     SinglyLinkedList<int> One( 1 );
12     SinglyLinkedList<int> Two( 2, &One );
13     SinglyLinkedList<int> Three( 3, &Two );
14
15     SinglyLinkedList<int>* lTop = &Three;
16
17     for ( ; lTop != nullptr; lTop = lTop->fNext )
18     {
19         cout << "Value: " << lTop-> fData << endl;
20     }
21
22     return 0;
23 }
```

We instantiate the template `SinglyLinkedList` to `SinglyLinkedList<int>`.

Specialization Using Type Alias

```
1
2 #include <iostream>
3 #include <string>
4
5 using namespace std;
6
7 #include "SinglyLinkedListTemplate.h"
8
9 int main()
10 {
11     using StringList = SinglyLinkedList<string>;
12
13     string lA = "AAAA";
14     string lC = "CCCC";
15
16     StringList One( lA );
17     StringList Two( "BBBB", &One );
18     StringList Three( lC, &Two );
19
20     StringList* lTop = &Three;
21
22     for ( ; lTop != nullptr; lTop = lTop->fNext )
23     {
24         cout << "Value: " << lTop->fData << endl;
25     }
26
27     return 0;
28 }
```

We instantiate the template `SinglyLinkedList` to `SinglyLinkedList<string>`.

What are the iterator models supported by C++?

Input Iterator

Output Iterator

Forward Iterator

Bidirectional Iterator

Random Access Iterator

Forward Iterator

Expression	Effect
<code>*iter</code>	Provides read access to the actual element
<code>iter->member</code>	Provides read access to a member of the actual element
<code>++iter</code>	Steps forward (returns new position)
<code>iter++</code>	Steps forward (returns old position)
<code>iter1 == iter2</code>	Returns whether iter1 and iter2 are equal
<code>iter1 != iter2</code>	Returns whether iter1 and iter2 are not equal
<code>iter1 = iter2</code>	Assigns an iterator

How do we use iterators in C++?

```
for ( const auto& element : collection )  
{  
    // loop body using element  
};
```

See lecture notes Using C++11's
For-Each-Loop (Iterators)

- An iterator represents a certain position in a container, where the auxiliary methods `begin()` and `end()` return the position of the first element and the position after the last element, respectively.
- We can traverse all elements of a data type via its corresponding iterator in a range loop. The proper functioning of the range loop depends on the proper definition of `begin()`, `end()`, and the iterator operators.

SinglyLinkedList Iterator Specification

```
SinglyLinkedListIteratorB SPEC.h — Programs
1
2
3 #include "SinglyLinkedListTemplate.h"
4
5 template <typename T>
6 class SinglyLinkedListIterator
7 {
8 private:
9
10     using ListNode = SinglyLinkedList<T>;
11
12     const ListNode& fList;
13     const ListNode* fIndex;
14
15 public:
16
17     using Iterator = SinglyLinkedListIterator<T>;
18
19     SinglyLinkedListIterator( const ListNode& aList );
20
21     const T& operator*() const;
22     Iterator& operator++();           // prefix
23     Iterator operator++(int);         // postfix
24     bool operator==( const Iterator& aRHS ) const;
25     bool operator!=( const Iterator& aRHS ) const;
26
27     Iterator begin();                 // for-range feature
28     Iterator end();                   // for-range feature
29 };
30
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```

We maintain a read-only
reference to list elements

SinglyLinkedList Iterator Test

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  #include <string>
3
4  using namespace std;
5
6  #include "SinglyLinkedListIteratorB.h"
7
8  int main()
9  {
10     using StringList = SinglyLinkedList<string>;
11     using StringListIterator = SinglyLinkedListIterator<string>;
12
13     string lA = "AAAA";
14     string lC = "CCCC";
15
16     StringList One( lA );
17     StringList Two( "BBBB", &One );
18     StringList Three( lC, &Two );
19
20     for ( const string& i : StringListIterator( Three ) )
21     {
22         cout << "Value: " << i << endl;
23     }
24
25     return 0;
26 }
27
```

For iterator implementation
see Canvas

Three passed as
l-value reference

The deletion of a node at the end of a list requires a search from the top to find the new last node.

What is a doubly-linked list?



- A **doubly-linked list** is a sequence of data items, each connected by two links called **next** and **previous**.
- A data item may be a primitive value, a composite value, or even another pointer.
- Traversal in a double-linked list is bidirectional.
- Deleting of a node at either end of a doubly-linked list is straight forward.
- We can link the first and last element to create a loop. This allows for an effective forward and backwards traversal.

A Doubly-Linked List Template

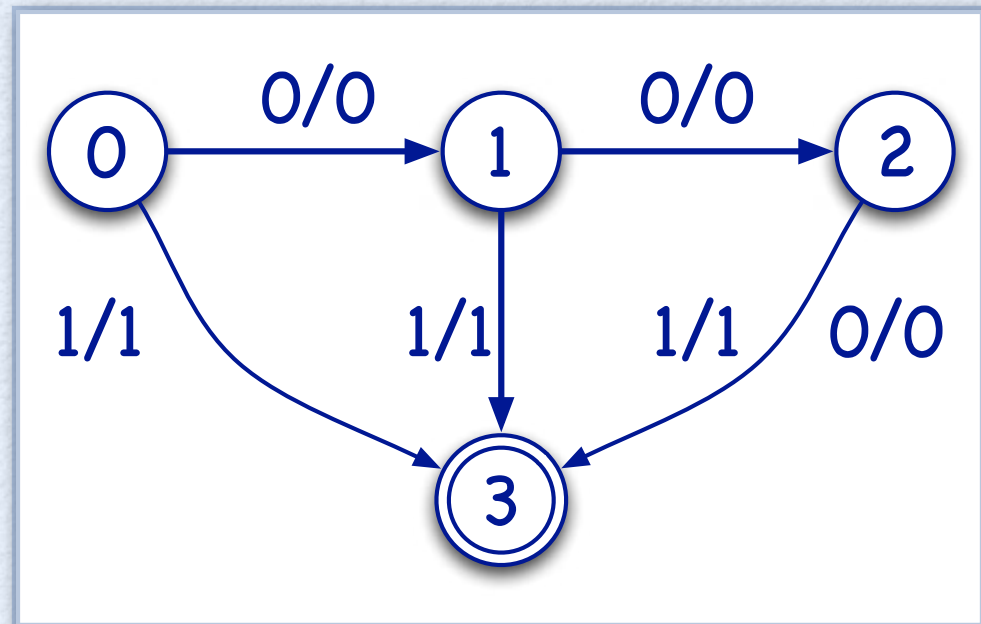
```
DoublyLinkedList SPEC.h
4 #pragma once
5
6 template<typename T>
7 class DoublyLinkedList
8 {
9 private:
10
11     T fPayload;                // payload
12     DoublyLinkedList* fNext;    // next element
13     DoublyLinkedList* fPrevious; // previous element
14
15 public:
16
17     explicit DoublyLinkedList( const T& aPayload ); // l-value constructor
18     explicit DoublyLinkedList( T&& aPayload );      // r-value constructor
19
20     DoublyLinkedList& push_front( DoublyLinkedList& aNode ); // aNode becomes previous of this
21     DoublyLinkedList& push_back( DoublyLinkedList& aNode );  // aNode becomes next of this
22     void isolate();    // removes this node
23
24     void swap( DoublyLinkedList& aNode ); // exchange payloads
25
26     const T& operator*() const; // dereference operator, payload
27     const T& getPayload() const; // returns constant reference to payload
28     const DoublyLinkedList& getNext() const; // returns constant reference to next
29     const DoublyLinkedList& getPrevious() const; // returns constant reference to previous
30 };
31
```


An iterator for a doubly-linked list requires a state machine.

What is a state machine?

A state machine is a piece of software that explicitly maintains states to control the behavior of the associated program:

	0	1
0	(1,0)	(3,1)
1	(2,0)	(3,1)
2	(3,0)	(3,1)
3	(3,0)	(3,1)



Both specifications describe the same state machine, which stops in state 3 – the final state. Some state machines may not have a final state – they can continue ad infinitum. Example, state machine for doubly-linked list iterator. © Dr Markus Lumpe, 2022

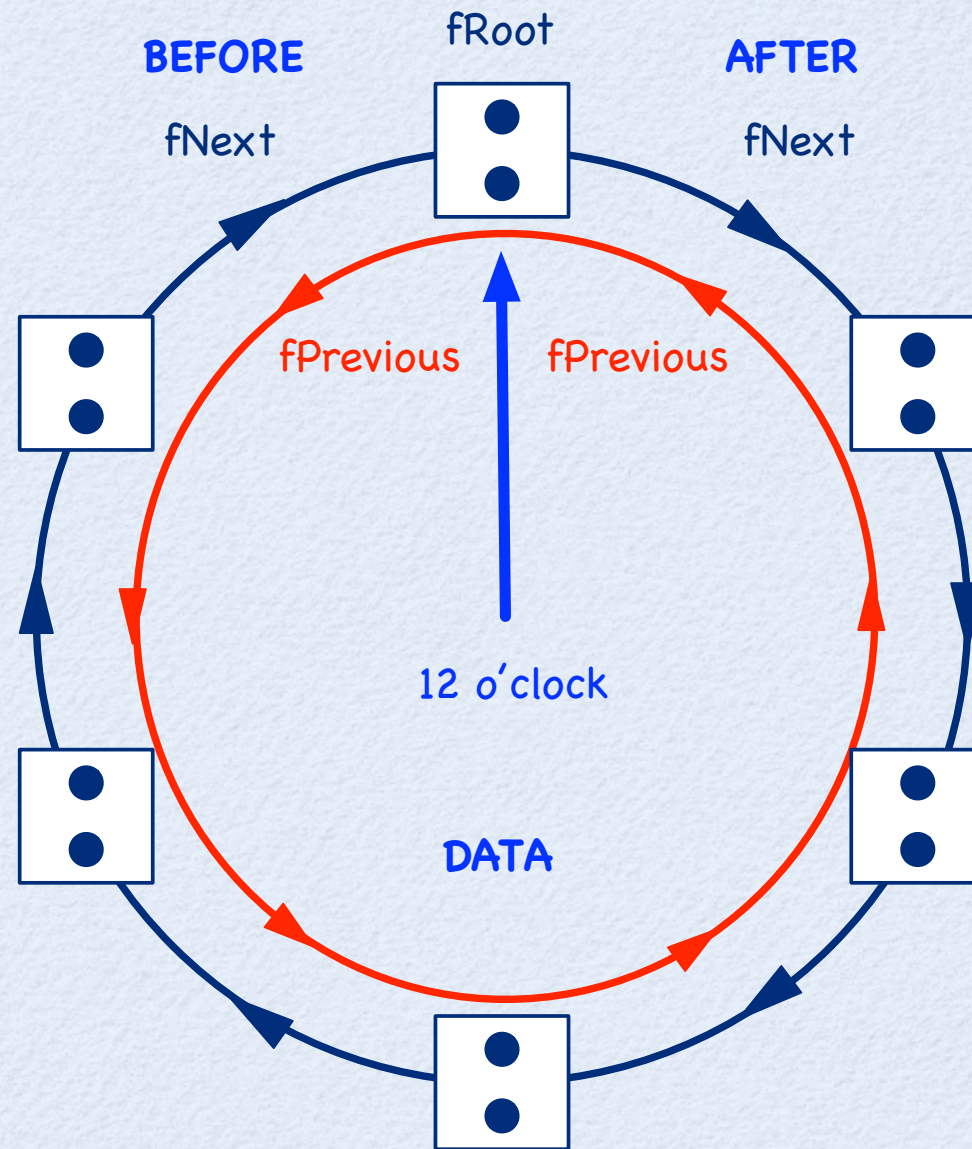
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<code>iter--</code>	Steps backward (returns old position)
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A Doubly-Linked List Iterator Template

```
DoublyLinkedListIterator SPEC.h
4 #pragma once
5
6 #include "DoublyLinkedList.h"
7
8 template<typename T>
9 class DoublyLinkedListIterator
10 {
11 private:
12     enum class States { BEFORE, DATA , AFTER };           // iterator states
13
14     using Node = DoublyLinkedList<T>;
15
16     const Node* fRoot;                                     // doubly-linked list
17
18     States fState;                                         // iterator state
19     const Node* fCurrent;                                  // iterator position
20
21 public:
22
23     using Iterator = DoublyLinkedListIterator<T>;
24
25     DoublyLinkedListIterator( const Node* aRoot );         // constructor
26
27     const T& operator*() const;                           // dereference
28     Iterator& operator++();                                 // prefix increment
29     Iterator operator++(int);                               // postfix increment
30     Iterator& operator--();                                 // prefix decrement
31     Iterator operator--(int);                               // postfix decrement
32     bool operator==( const Iterator& aOtherIter ) const;  // equivalence
33     bool operator!=( const Iterator& aOtherIter ) const;  // not equal
34
35     Iterator begin() const;                                 // first element forward
36     Iterator end() const;                                   // after last element forward
37     Iterator rbegin() const;                               // first element backwards
38     Iterator rend() const;                                 // before first element backwards
39 };
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```


Iterator Moving Around The Clock



Doubly-linked List Iterator State Machine

- Think of fRoot as 12 o'clock and the iterator moving around the clock.

	++	—
BEFORE	fCurrent = fRoot; fCurrent == null/AFTER fCurrent != null/DATA	NOP
DATA	fCurrent == previous of fRoot: fCurrent == null/AFTER fCurrent = next of fCurrent	fCurrent == fRoot: fCurrent == null/BEFORE fCurrent = previous of fCurrent
AFTER	NOP	fCurrent = fRoot; fCurrent == null/BEFORE fCurrent = previous of fCurrent /DATA