

EIMETALS project

The program expression

In this project, I completed the programming task for **Primetal Technologies**. I employed an object-oriented programming (OOP) approach as I needed to update values in a list using various methods.

Given that certain modifiers, such as `@dryrun` and `@sorted`, apply the input method on a copy of the current list, I placed the `param_parser` function as a **decorator** at the beginning of the Inventory class. Then, prior to each method, I applied this decorator.

```
def param_parser(func):
    def wrapper(self, *args, **kwargs):
        self.current_working_num = copy(self.nums)
        modifiers = kwargs.get("modifiers", [])
        repeat = 1

        if any(item in modifiers for item in ['@once' , '@twice' , '@often']):
            repeat = 0

        commit = True
        sorted = False
        dryrun_flag = False

        for mod in modifiers:

            if mod == "@once":
                repeat += 1

            elif mod == "@twice":
                repeat += 2

            elif mod == "@often":
                repeat += 10

            elif mod == "@dryrun":
                commit = False
                dryrun_flag = True

            elif mod == "@sorted":
                sorted = True
                commit = False
                self.current_working_num.sort()

        for _ in range(repeat):
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        result = func(self, *args, **kwargs)

    if commit:
        self.nums = copy(self.current_working_num)
        self.current_working_num = []
    elif dryrun_flag:
        print(self.current_working_num)

    return wrapper

```

Since it has been mentioned in the EIMETAL_en.pdf file that there can be more than one modifier, which means we could potentially have `@once @twice` in the modifier part of the input, we should include the number of executions that each modifier determines. In this case, we should execute the operation 3 times (one time because of `@once` plus 2 times because of `@twice`).

Furthermore, since three types of modifiers affect the number of executions(`@once`, `@twice` and `@often`), I only wrote the if conditions for these cases. For the other two modifiers, I simply set flags.

for each method I have used `*args` and `**kwargs`. the `*args` is for those method that we could have several inputs (such as insert); due to symmetry observance I used `*args` in all functions, and I used `**kwargs` to read modifiers.

As the input can contain special characters, I used the `Regex` library to extract the operation, arguments, and modifiers.

The executer function utilizes the above parameters to detect and apply the method to the inputs, taking modifiers into account.

Here is a sample of the output:

```

> show
[]
> insert 1 29 1 23 9 13 14 16 7
> pop 2 @dryrun
[1, 29, 1, 23, 9, 13, 14]
> show
[1, 29, 1, 23, 9, 13, 14, 16, 7]
> index 29
1
> index 29 @sorted
8
> show
[1, 29, 1, 23, 9, 13, 14, 16, 7]
> esi
Operation unknown
> remove 0 @once @twice
> show

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[23, 9, 13, 14, 16, 7]
> push 2 @often @dryrun @sorted
[7, 9, 13, 14, 16, 23, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2]
> show
[23, 9, 13, 14, 16, 7]
> isSorted
false
> sort
> isSorted
true
> show
[7, 9, 13, 14, 16, 23]
> exi
Operation unknown
> exit

```

Run time estimation:

in the following table, I have brought the run time estimation of each method (without modifiers):

Method	Worst-Case Time Complexity	Reason
insert	$O(n)$	Since we have to go through all inputs one by one and append them, the big-O notation is $O(n)$
pop	$O(n)$	in the worst case we have to pop all of the elements of the list, which means the Time Complexity is $O(n)$
show	$O(n)$	Since we should go through all of the list the time complexity is $O(n)$
exit	$O(1)$	in this case we just set a flag so this is $O(1)$
index	$O(n)$	we should find index of an element so we should go through all elements of the list
get	$O(1)$	we should check only one element of the list

Method	Worst-Case Time Complexity	Reason
remove	$O(n)$	in the worst case we should remove all elements of the list.
insertFront	$O(n)$	Inserting elements at the beginning of a list requires shifting existing elements, so it has a time complexity of $O(n)$, where n is the number of elements to be inserted.
popFront	$O(n)$	Similar to insertFront, it has a time complexity of $O(n)$ because it may involve shifting elements
sort	$O(n*\log(n))$	The Python list sort() has been using the Timsort algorithm since version 2.3. This algorithm has a runtime complexity of $O(n.\log n)$.
isSorted	$O(n)$	This method should also go through all of the elements of the list
push	$O(n)$	similar to insert
EOF	$O(1)$	similar to exit