

CPSC 319 Data Structures, Algorithms, and Their Applications

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PA-2

- Read from a file:
 java.io.FileReader
 java.io.BufferedReader
- Using linked lists: java.util.LinkedList
- Write to a file:
 java.io.FileWriter
 java.io.BufferedWriter
- String manipulation: StringBuilder
- String comparison:
 firstString.compareTo(secondString)
 https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/lang/String.html#:~:text=equals(Object)-,compareTo,-public%C2%A0int%C2%A0compareTo

• Definition:

• Array:

Contiguous block of memory elements with the same data type. Fixed size, allocated during declaration.

• Linked List:

Collection of nodes where each node points to the next node in the sequence. Dynamic in size, memory allocated as needed.

• Dynamic Array:

Resizable array that grows or shrinks in size as needed. Memory management is handled behind the scenes.

- Access Time:
 - Array:

Constant time O(1) for accessing elements using index.

• Linked List:

Linear time O(n) for accessing elements, as traversal is required.

• Dynamic Array:

Constant time O(1) for accessing elements using index.

Insertion/Deletion:

• Array:

Inefficient for insertions/deletions as it may require shifting elements. Time complexity for insertions/deletions is O(n).

Linked List:

Efficient for insertions/deletions anywhere in the list (constant time). Memory allocation for new nodes can be a concern.

• Dynamic Array:

Efficient for append operations, but insertions/deletions may still incur occasional resizing overhead (amortized O(1)).

- Memory Efficiency:
 - Array:

More memory efficient as it uses a single block of memory.

• Linked List:

Less memory efficient due to additional pointers between nodes.

• Dynamic Array:

Balances memory efficiency with flexibility by resizing as necessary.

• Usage:

• Array:

Ideal for situations where random access and fixed size are crucial.

• Linked List:

Suitable for scenarios with frequent insertions and deletions.

Dynamic Array:

Suitable for scenarios with a variable and unpredictable number of elements.

Sample Question 3:

• Write a Java code that gets a positive integer n and then gets an array of n integers, $a_0 a_1 \dots a_{n-1}$. Print out the number of pairs, i and j, such that i <= j and min(a_i , a_{i+1} , ..., a_j) = min(a_0 , a_1 , ..., a_{n-1}).

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    Test case:

    Input 1:
    7 - 2 3 0 5
    Output 1:
    Input 2:
    13
    1230123012301
    Output 2:
    72
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