

What is true about removing an element from a vector data structure?

- (a) It is computationally cheaper to remove an element at a lower index than it is to remove an element at a higher index.
- (b) Removing the element at highest index is always an O(1) operation.
- (c) The vector data structure is designed to be a container of elements; it does not support element removal.
- (d) Removing the highest index element involves shifting mySize-1 many elements one position to the right.

Q4: A vector data structure is implemented so that the two data members int theSize and int myCapacity will always remain properly synchronized. The implementations will make sure that ...

- (a) The value of theSize will never be equal to the value of myCapacity.
- (b) The value of theSize will always be less or equal myCapacity.
- (c) The value of theSize will always be equal to myCapacity.
- (d) The value of myCapacity will be increased when theSize has reached a value that is a constant amount larger than myCapacity.

Q6: If the list data structure did not maintain a data member mySize for the purpose of keeping track of the number of elements contained, which code fragment below could compute the size of a list?

- (a) iterator i = begin(); while (i < 0) i++; return i;
- (b) return tail - 1;
- (c) Node<T>* i = head->next; int k=0; while (i != 0) {k++; i = i->next;} return *i;
- (d) Node<T>* i = head->next; int k=0; while (i != 0) {k++; i = i->next;} return k;

Q18. What does the following code fragment compute for a given List mylst of integers?
Assume that the list is not empty and elements are stored in ascending order of their values.

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List<int>::iterator il = mylst.begin();
List<int>::iterator i2 = mylst.end();

while (true) {
    if (il == i2) break;
    if (il->next == i2) break;
    ++il; ++i2;
}

if (il == i2)
    return *il;
else
    return (*il+*i2)/2;
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- (a) The middle element of the vector.
- (b) The median value of the vector.
- (c) The average between the smallest and largest value in the vector.
- (d) This won't work.

Study:

Vectors
Linked Lists } C++ Implementations + Conceptual Understanding
Stack, Queue
Big O's }

Vectors:

- Consume more memory than arrays in exchange for the ability to manage storage & grow dynamically in an efficient way.
- Can allocate for extra storage than what is strictly needed.
- do not reallocate each time an element is added to the container.
- efficient at adding values to the begin & end, but inefficient at any other index

Linked List:

- A linear data structure in which elements are not stored at contiguous memory locations.
The elements in a linked list are linked using pointers.
- IOW, A linked list consists of nodes where each node contains a data field & a reference (link) to the next node in the list.
- Dynamic sizing
- Ease of insertion & deletion

Source: Geeks for geeks.org / linked-lists.

Limits:

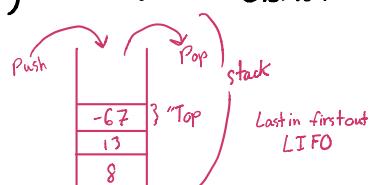
- Random access is not allowed. We have to access elements sequentially from the first node. So we cannot do binary search with linked lists efficiently with its default implementation.
- Extra memory space for a pointer is required with each element of the list.
- Not cache friendly. Since array elements are contiguous locations, there is locality of reference which is not there in case of linked lists.

Representation:

- A pointer to the first node is called the head.
- If the list is empty, the value of the head is NULL
- Each node consists of 2 parts:
 - 1) Data
 - 2) Pointer to the next node

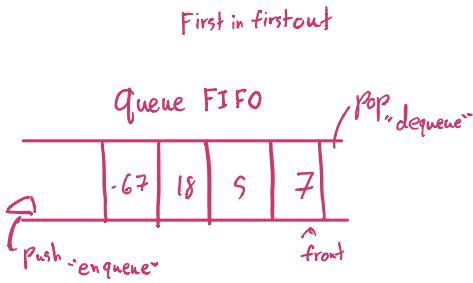
Stack:

- A type of container adaptors with Last In First Out type of working where a new element is added at one end & an element is removed from that end only.



Queue:

- A type of container adaptors with First In First Out type of working where a new element is added at one end of the container & extracted from the other.



Big O() Notation:

Expresses the runtime in terms of how quickly it grows relative to the input, as the input grows grows arbitrarily large.

- 1) How quickly the runtime grows
- 2) the size relative to the input (n)
- 3) The input get Arbitrarily large

$O(1)$ = constant time ————— 1 item.

With a loop, we get $O(n)$, called linear time

————— 1000 items = 1000 times printed

With a nested loop, we get $O(n^2)$, called quadratic time

————— 1000 items = 1000000 times printed

N could be the actual input, or the size of the input

- 3) As n gets really big, adding 100 or dividing by 2 has a decreasingly significant effect.