

Doubly Linked List Specification (DBLLinkedList)

1. General description

A **doubly linked list** is a data structure that stores a sequence of elements, where each element has references to both its **previous** and **next** elements. This bidirectional linking allows easy traversal in both directions. It enables efficient **insertion** and **deletion** at the beginning and end in constant time but requires more memory than singly linked lists due to the extra pointer.

2. Stored data description

The *DBLLinkedList* class contains:

- **Size** of the list (number of nodes).
- A **Node structure** that stores relevant data.
- **Pointers** to the previous and next nodes.
- A **headNode pointer**, storing the reference to the first node.

3. Operations specification (all functions are defined as member functions under *DBLLinkedList::*)

Constructors

- Default constructor, *DBLLinkedList()*
 - Precondition: None
 - Postcondition: Sets *size* to 0 and *headNode* to *nullptr*.
 - Time Complexity: $O(1)$
- Parameterized constructor, *DBLLinkedList(int n)*
 - Precondition: None
 - Postcondition: Creates a doubly linked list of length *n*.
 - Time Complexity: $O(n)$ (as it initializes *n* nodes)
- File constructor, *DBLLinkedList(std::wifstream& inputFile)*
 - Precondition: *inputFile* must exist.
 - Postcondition: Creates a doubly linked list where nodes contain data read from the file.
 - Time Complexity: $O(n)$ (depending on the number of lines in the file)

Printing Functions

- *PrintList()*
 - Precondition: The list must exist.
 - Postcondition: Prints the elements in order, numbered from 1 to *n*.
 - Time Complexity: $O(n)$

- `PrintListCursor(DBLinkedList::Node* currentNode)`
 - Precondition: The list must exist.
 - Postcondition: Prints the list, marking *currentNode*'s position with a ">" symbol.
 - Time Complexity: $O(n)$
- `PrintListReverse()`
 - Precondition: The list must exist.
 - Postcondition: Prints the elements in *reverse* order.
 - Time Complexity: $O(n)$

Retrieval and Modification

- `GetNode(int index)`
 - Precondition: The list must exist, and *index* must be between 0 and *size*.
 - Postcondition: Returns the node at *index*.
 - Time Complexity: $O(n)$ (worst case, if searching from the head)
- `GetData(int index)`
 - Precondition: The list must exist, and *index* must be between 0 and *size*.
 - Postcondition: Returns the data of the node at *index*.
 - Time Complexity: $O(n)$
- `SetValue(int index, DBLinkedList::Node::Song data)`
 - Precondition: The list and *data* node must exist. *index* must be valid.
 - Postcondition: Updates the node at *index* with *data*.
 - Time Complexity: $O(n)$
- `InsertValue(int index, DBLinkedList::Node::Song data)`
 - Precondition: The list and *data* node must exist. *index* must be valid.
 - Postcondition: Updates the node at *index* with *data*.
 - Time Complexity: $O(n)$ (finding the position is $O(n)$, inserting is $O(1)$)
- `DeleteNode(int index)`
 - Precondition: The list must exist, and *index* must be valid.
 - Postcondition: Deletes the node at *index*.
 - Time Complexity: $O(n)$ (finding the node is $O(n)$, deleting is $O(1)$)
- `SwapValues(int index1, int index2)`
 - Precondition: The list must exist, and both indices must be valid.
 - Postcondition: Swaps values of nodes at *index1* and *index2*.
 - Time Complexity: $O(n)$ (finding the two nodes is $O(n)$, swapping is $O(1)$)

Utility Functions

- `IsEmpty()`
 - Precondition: The list must exist.
 - Postcondition: Returns *true* if the list is empty, else *false*.
 - Time Complexity: $O(1)$
- `GetSize()`
 - Precondition: The list must exist.
 - Postcondition: Returns the size of the list.
 - Time Complexity: $O(1)$
- `GetIndex(DBLLinkedList::Node* data)`
 - Precondition: The list must exist.
 - Postcondition: Returns the index of *data* if found, else *-1*.
 - Time Complexity: $O(n)$ (since it may need to traverse the entire list)
- `ShuffleList()`
 - Precondition: The list must exist.
 - Postcondition: Randomly shuffles the elements of the list.
 - Time Complexity: $O(n)$

Sorting

- `IsSorted(const std::string& angleBracket)`
 - Precondition: The list must exist.
 - Postcondition:
 - If *angleBracket* == "<", returns *true* if the list is sorted in **ascending** order.
 - If *angleBracket* == ">", returns *true* if the list is sorted in **descending** order.
 - Otherwise, returns *false*.
 - Time Complexity: $O(n)$
- `SortList(const std::string&)`
 - Precondition: The list must exist.
 - Postcondition:
 - If *angleBracket* == "<", sorts the list in **ascending** order.
 - If *angleBracket* == ">", sorts the list in **descending** order.
 - Uses *Quicksort* with *Hoare* partitioning. Best/Average case: $O(n \log n)$, Worst case: $O(n^2)$ (when the list is already sorted but in reverse order, leading to unbalanced partitions).