

Algorithmic and advanced Programming in Python

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Outline

1. Some algorithmic complexity question
2. Algorithm for double linked list
3. Stack and queues codes

Some complexity and running time questions 1/2

Problem-21 Find the complexity of the below recurrence:

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 3T(n-1), & \text{if } n > 0, \\ 1, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Problem-22 Find the complexity of the below recurrence:

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 2T(n-1) - 1, & \text{if } n > 0, \\ 1, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Problem-23 What is the running time of the following function?

```
def Function(n):  
    i = s = 1  
    while s < n:  
        i = i+1  
        s = s+i  
        print("s")
```

Function(20)

Some complexity and running time questions 2/2

Problem-24 Find the complexity of the function given below.

```
def Function(n):
    i = 1
    count = 0
    while i*i < n:
        count = count + 1
        i = i + 1
    print(count)
Function(20)
```

Problem-25 What is the complexity of the program given below:

```
def Function(n):
    count = 0
    for i in range(n/2, n):
        j = 1
        while j + n/2 <= n:
            k = 1
            while k <= n:
                count = count + 1
                k = k * 2
            j = j + 1
    print (count)
Function(20)
```

Now play with linked list

- Download the file

[Advanced Programming & Algo - 1 - Lab resource.py](#)

Now play with linked list

- The file [Advanced Programming & Algo - 1 - Lab resource.py](#) in moodle contains an incomplete implementation of a Python LinkedList class. Take a minute to look over this code. Open a Python interpreter and experiment with creating a LinkedList object and calling the methods that have already been implemented.

Exercise: question 1

1. Implement the count method, which should return a count of the number of times that the given item is found in the list.

Question 2: Index method

- Implement the index method. This will be very similar to the included `__contains__` method, except that it needs to return the index of the element if it is found, rather than a simple boolean. Thus, you will need to track the current index as you traverse the linked list.

Question 3

- Implement the append method, which should add a new element onto the tail of the list. You must also remember to handle the special case when the list is empty. Given the current implementation, there is no $O(1)$ way to add an element to the tail of the list. You have two options to implement this function:
- Iterate to the end of the list, finding the last node and adding the new node after that node. This will be $O(n)$ but that is ok for the purposes of this lab.
- Add a `_tail` reference to the `LinkedList` class and use it to add a new item in $O(1)$ time. This is a better solution, but will require you to change several other functions to properly maintain the tail pointer.

Question 4: equal and not equal

- Implement the `__eq__` and `__ne__` methods. For these functions, equality should be defined as follows: both lists have the same number of elements, and each pair of corresponding elements in the list are also equal (as defined by the `==` operator). You should implement only one of these operators from scratch; the other should delegate to the first.

Problem 1

- Implement stack with fixed size array

Problem 2

- Implement stack with dynamic array

Problem 3

- Implement stack with linked list

Problem 4

- Implement stack with queues

Problem 5 : discuss and implement

Discuss how stacks can be used for checking balancing of symbols.

Examples:

Example	Valid?	Description
$(A+B)+(C-D)$	Yes	The expression has a balanced symbol
$((A+B)+(C-D)$	No	One closing brace is missing
$((A+B)+[C-D])$	Yes	Opening and immediate closing braces correspond
$((A+B)+[C-D])$	No	The last closing brace does not correspond with the first opening parenthesis

Problem 6: discuss and implement

Discuss infix to postfix conversion algorithm using stack.

Infix: An infix expression is a single letter, or an operator, preceded by one infix string and followed by another Infix string.

A
A+B
(A+B)+ (C-D)

Prefix: A prefix expression is a single letter, or an operator, followed by two prefix strings. Every prefix string longer than a single variable contains an operator, first operand and second operand.

A
+AB
++AB-CD

Postfix: A postfix expression (also called Reverse Polish Notation) is a single letter or an operator, preceded by two postfix strings. Every postfix string longer than a single variable contains first and second operands followed by an operator.

A
AB+
AB+CD-+

Prefix and postfix notions are methods of writing mathematical expressions without parenthesis. Time to evaluate a postfix and prefix expression is $O(n)$, where n is the number of elements in the array.

Problem 7: discuss and implement

Discuss postfix evaluation using stacks?