



Data Structures and Algorithms (2)

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Chapter II Linear List

- 2.1 Linear List
- 2.2 Sequential List
- 2.3 Linked List
- 2.4 Comparison between sequential list and linked list





2.2 Sequential List

- Also known as the vector, fixed-length one-dimensional array is used as the storage structure
- **Key Features**
 - Elements are of the same type
 - Elements are sequentially stored in contiguous storage space, and each element has a unique index value
 - The type of vector length is constant
- **Implemented as Array**
- **Its elements are easy to read and write, you can specify the location by using its subscript**
 - Once the starting position is got, all the data elements of the list can be random accessed



2.2 Sequential List

. The formula to calculate the elements of location is shown as below:

$$- \text{Loc}(k_i) = \text{Loc}(k_0) + c \times i, \quad c = \text{sizeof}(ELEM)$$

Logical Address (Subscript)	Data elements	Store Address	Data elements
0	k_0	$\text{Loc}(k_0)$	k_0
1	k_1	$\text{Loc}(k_0) + c$	k_1
...
i	k_i	$\text{Loc}(k_0) + i * c$	k_i
...		...	
$n-1$	k_{n-1}	$\text{Loc}(k_0) + (n-1) * c$	k_{n-1}



Sequence List's Class Definition

```
class arrList : public List<T> {    // sequential list , vector
private:                          // value types and value space of linear list
    T * aList ;                   // private variables , instance of storage for sequential list
    int maxSize;                  // private variables , maximum length of the sequential list
    int curLen;                   // private variables , current length of the sequential list
    int position;                 // private variables , current operation location
public:
    arrList(const int size) { // construct a new list , set its length to the maximum
        maxSize = size; aList = new T[maxSize];
        curLen = position = 0;
    }
    ~arrList() {                // destructor function used to eliminate the instance
        delete [] aList;
    }
}
```

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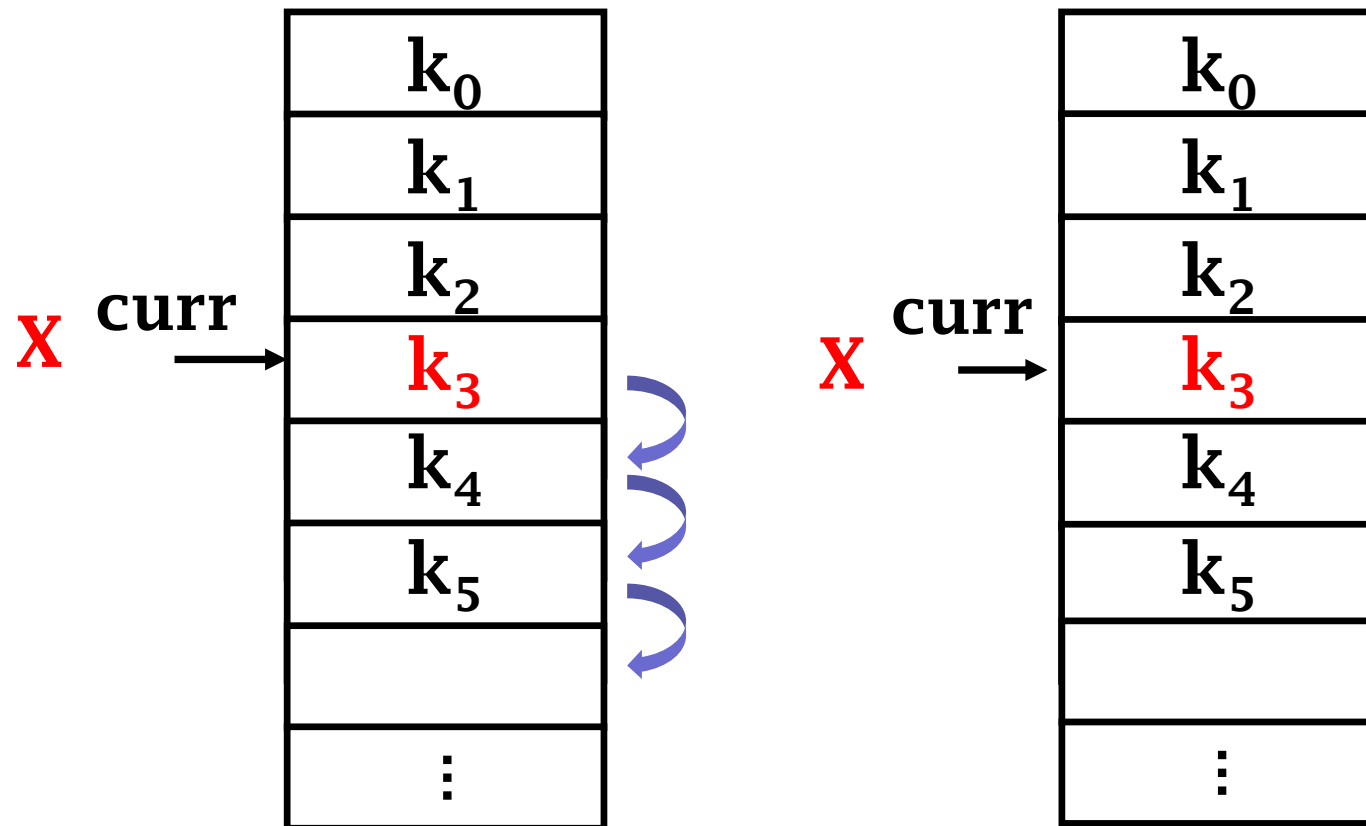
```
void clear() {      // delete the content , becoming an empty list
    delete [] aList; curLen = position = 0;
    aList = new T[maxSize];
}
int length();      // returns the current length
bool append(const T value); // append element v at end
bool insert(const int p, const T value); // insert an element at P
bool delete(const int p); // delete the element at P
bool setValue(const int p, const T value); // set the value of an element
bool getValue(const int p, T& value); // return the value of an element
bool getPos(int &p, const T value); // seek for an element
};
```



Operations in Sequential List

- Key discussions
 - Insert element operation
 - `bool insert(const int p, const T value);`
 - Delete element operation
 - `bool delete(const int p);`
- Others (Think by yourselves)

Diagram for the insertion of sequential list



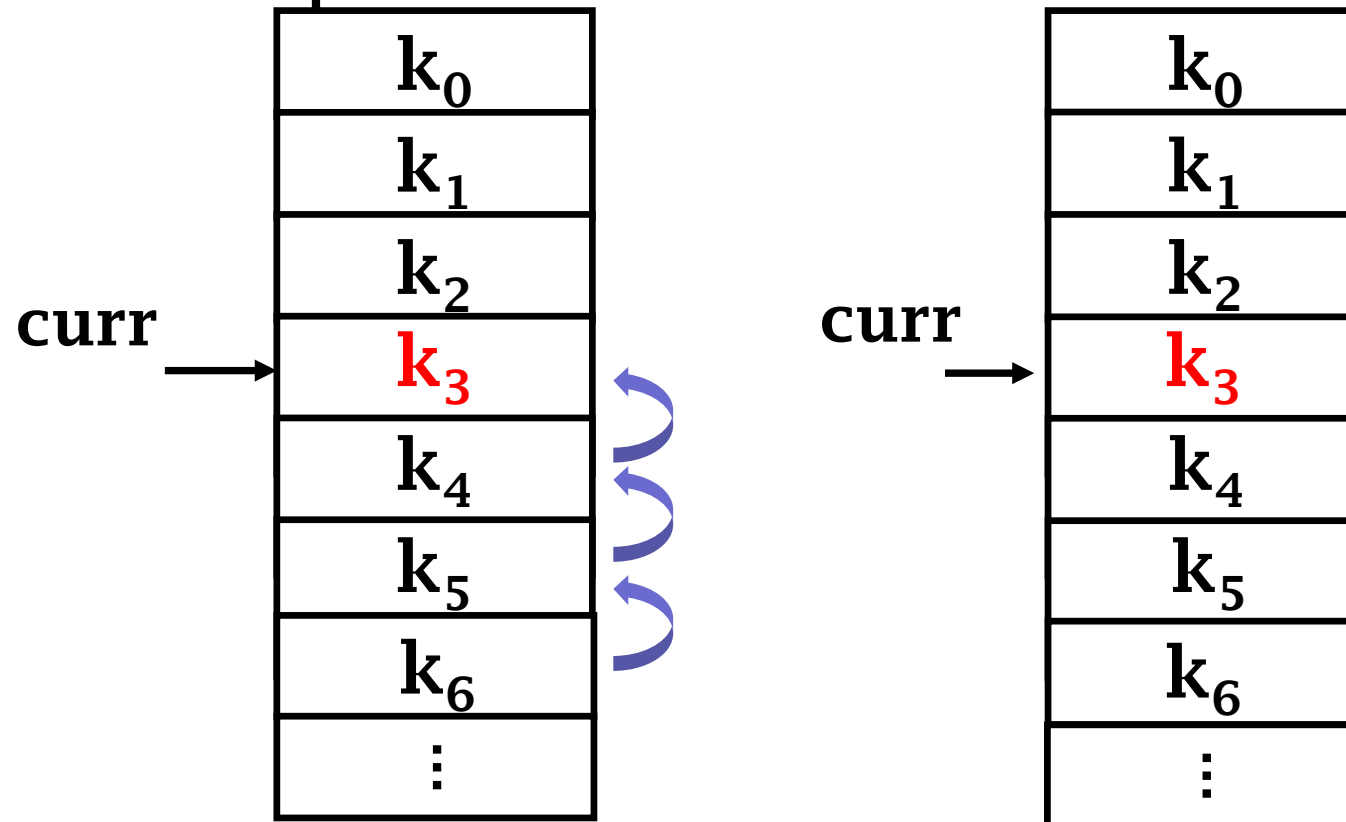


Insertion of sequential list

```
// set the element type as T , aList is the array to store Sequential list ,
// maxSize is its maximum length ;
// p is the insert location of the new element , return true if succeeds ,
// otherwise return false
template <class T> bool arrList<T> :: insert (const int p, const T value) {
    int i;
    if (curLen >= maxSize) { // check if the SL is overflow
        cout << "The list is overflow" << endl; return false;
    }
    if (p < 0 || p > curLen) { // check if the position to insert is valid
        cout << "Insertion point is illegal" << endl; return false;
    }
    for (i = curLen; i > p; i--)
        aList[i] = aList[i-1]; // move right from the end curLen -1 of the
list until p
    aList[p] = value;          // insert a new element at p
    curLen++;                  // adds the current length of the list by 1
    return true;
}
```

Diagram for sequential list's delete operation

• 2.2 Sequential List





Delete operation in sequential list

// set the type of the element as T ; aList is the array to store sequential list

// and p is the position of elements to delete

// returns true when delete succeed , otherwise returns false

template <class T> // the type of the elements of SL is T

bool arrList<T> :: delete(const int p) {

int i;

if (curLen <= 0) { // Check if the SL is empty

cout << " No element to delete \n"<< endl;

return false ;

}

if (p < 0 || p > curLen-1) { // Check if the position is valid

cout << "deletion is illegal\n"<< endl;

return false ;

}

for (i = p; i < curLen-1; i++)

aList[i] = aList[i+1]; // [p, currLen) every element move left

curLen--; // the current length of the list decreases by 1

return true;

}

Algorithm analysis of insert and delete operations in sequential list

- The movement of elements in the list
 - Insert: move $n - i$
 - Delete: move $n - i - 1$
- The probability values to insert or delete in position i are respectively p_i and p_i'
 - The average move time for insert operation is

$$M_i = \sum_{i=0}^n (n - i) p_i$$

- The average move time of delete operation is

$$M_d = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (n - i - 1) p_i'$$



Algorithm Analysis

- If the probability to insert or delete in every location in SL is the same, namely $p_i = \frac{1}{n+1}$, $p'_i = \frac{1}{n}$

$$\begin{aligned} M_i &= \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{i=0}^n (n-i) = \frac{1}{n+1} \left(\sum_{i=0}^n n - \sum_{i=0}^n i \right) \\ &= \frac{n(n+1)}{n+1} - \frac{n(n+1)}{2(n+1)} = \frac{n}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} M_d &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=0}^n (n-i-1) = \frac{1}{n} \left(\sum_{i=0}^n n - \sum_{i=0}^n i - n \right) \\ &= \frac{n^2}{n} - \frac{(n-1)}{2} - 1 = \frac{n-1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Time cost
is $O(n)$



Thinking

- What should you think about when doing insert or delete operations in sequential list ?
- What advantages and disadvantages does sequential list have?



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