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Programming and Data Structures with Python

Abstract datatypes

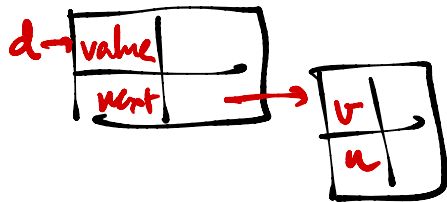


createlist()

insert(l, v) - Beginning

append(l, v) - End

Implementation using
nested dictionaries



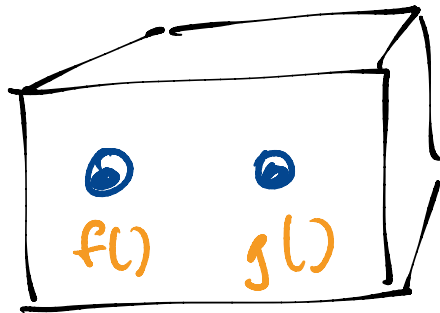
Instead

createlist $\rightarrow$ []

insert(l, v) $\rightarrow$ l.insert(0, v)

append(l, v) $\rightarrow$ l.append(v)

Interface



Implementation

Insides - "black box"

Initial brute force



Optimize

Object Oriented Programming

$l.append(v)$ vs $append(l, v)$

Example - 2D points

(position, ~~attribute~~)

Move a point

- translate

- ~~rotate~~

$(\Delta x, \Delta y)$

↓
 (x, y) - "state"

"Reporting"

distance from (0,0)

Template for ADT - "class"

class Point:

def __init__(self, u, v):

self.x = u

self.y = v

def translate(self, dx, dy):

self.x = self.x + dx

self.y = self.y + dy

← executes some code, what fn?
"constructor"

^{a, b}
"create point()"

p = Point(3, 7)

↑
creates instance of Point

(3, 4) → (4, 6)

= object

p.translate(1, 2)

class Point:

≡

def odistance(self):

import math

return $\sqrt{(self.x)^2 + (self.y)^2}$

len(l)

l.length()

l-len()

p.odistance()

`p1 = Point(3,4)`

`p2 = Point(9,-11)`

Nice way to display
an object

`print(v)` - calls `str(v)`
& displays

`p1.x` $\rightarrow$ 3

`p2.x` $\rightarrow$ 9

`print(p1)` $\Rightarrow$ "(3,4)"



call `str` on contents of `p1`

$\hookrightarrow$ calls a fixed function

```
def __str__(self):
```

```
    return "C" +  
           str(self.x) +  
           "," +  
           str(self.y) +  
           ")"
```

```
print(p1)
```

```
}  
↓
```

```
p1.__str__()
```

```
{
```

```
String
```

```
↓
```

```
display
```

Default arguments

$\text{int}("72") \rightarrow 72$

$x = \text{int}("72")$

$y = \text{int}("AB")$ Error

$y = \text{int}("AB", 16) \rightarrow 10 \times 16 + 11 \times 1 = 171$

int - 1 arg or 2 arg?

Default 2nd arg = 10

def int(s, b=10):

↖ default value

≡

↓
int("72")
means
int("72", 10)

def int(b=10, s):

↓
int("72")?

class Point:

def __init__(self, u=0, v=0)

self.x = u

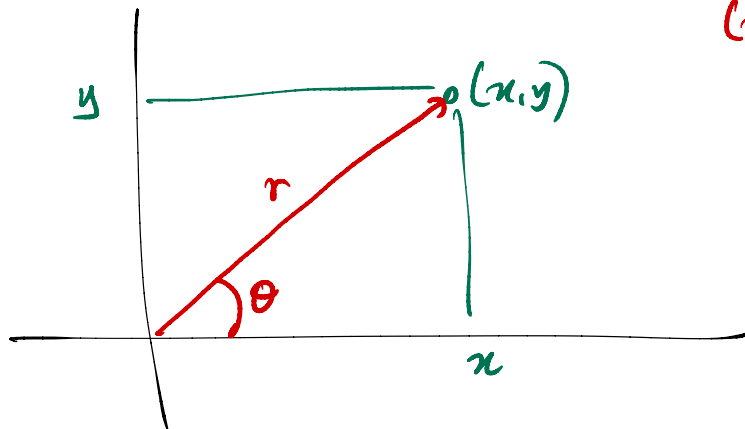
self.y = v

p1 = Point(a,b)

but

p2 = Point() → (0,0)

Changing implementation



$$(x, y) \mapsto (r, \theta)$$

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