

ECE 2574: Data Structures and Algorithms - Sorted Linked Lists

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Today we will see how to adapt LinkedList into a sorted list implementation.

- ▶ Review (Single) Linked List methods
- ▶ The protected class scope and internal Nodes
- ▶ Reusing LinkedList via inheritance

Recall the Sorted List ADT

A number of objects, not necessarily distinct but of the same type, sorted by their value.

```
+isEmpty(): boolean  
+getLength(): integer  
+insertSorted(newEntry: ItemType): void  
+removeSorted(entry: ItemType): boolean  
+remove(position: integer): boolean  
+clear(): void  
+getEntry(position: integer): ItemType  
+getPosition(entry: ItemType): integer
```

These methods differed from the List ADT

- ▶ `+insertSorted(newEntry: ItemType): void`: insert the entry in order
- ▶ `+removeSorted(entry: ItemType): boolean`: remove first occurrence
- ▶ `+getPosition(entry: ItemType): integer`: get position of first occurrence or the negated position where it would be

Recall our interface definition

See code `abstract_sorted_list.h`

Reusing LinkedList

To implement insert we would like to have access to the internal node structure and the relevant members in a subclass, but we do not want them to be public.

The answer: make them protected.

See `linked_list.h` and `linked_list.txx`.

Now we can extend the LinkedList class to be a SortedLinkedList

See `sorted_linked_list.h` and `sorted_linked_list.txx`

Next Actions and Reminders

- ▶ Read CH pp. 373-378 (Queue ADT)
- ▶ There is a warmup for Monday!
- ▶ Program 3 is due 10/31.