

CS 100
Lab 2: dynamic allocation and lists

Reminder: find a *new* partner for this lab (50% grade reduction for working with a person ever worked before).

You are allowed to use 1 (one) computer per team (50% grade reduction for using more than 1 computer per team including laptops and tablets).

Grading: 30% each program, 10% attendance.

Complete 3 out of 4 problems for full credit.

1. Create a dynamically sized stack (*based on a dynamic array*). The stack should re-size when:
 - i. A push() needs to exceed the current capacity of the stack--double the capacity.
 - ii. A pop() results in the size of the stack being less than half the current capacity--halve the capacity.

Print the size and the capacity every time it changes.

2. Create an ordered *list* whose entries are books with title, author, and year of release. The list should be ordered alphabetically by the title of the book. At a minimum, it must be possible to search entries, add entries, and remove entries.

3. Improve the ordered list in (2). Now, instead of a single list of books, create a list[1] of lists[2]. Each list of type [2] should be an ordered list containing entries for all the books starting with the same letter. The list of type [1] should be an ordered list where each entry is a list of type [2]. Same minimum of list operations apply. Does this provide any kind of improvement over (2)?

4. **Start** with a *singly-linked list of **unknown** length*. Write a function which will determine the n^{th} -to-last element of the list. For example, if the list consists of the elements {1, 2, 3, 4, 5} and $n = 2$, the function should return 4. If $n = 0$ or $n = 1$ then return the last element (i.e. 5).

For the purposes of the lab, do not use any previously written code. All code must be written from scratch (that means no pre-defined data structure libraries (you can still use basic string manipulation libraries)).

For each exercise, make sure to test your programs. **Debug each function separately.**

When finished, demo for the TA, and **submit on iLearn** under assignments. Please upload your code

within one .tar.gz (or .zip) file. You only need to upload the file for one of the partners in your group, but **make sure that the TA recorded the members of your group!**