

Computer Science 102

Lab 9

In this lab you will you will create C++ version of your linked list manager. You are *not required* to convert the list management components of your raytracer to C++ but you are free to do so if you wish. A sample `listmain.cpp`, `list.h` and a skeleton `list.cpp` are provided for you.

Your mission is to complete the module named `list.cpp` which will contain the implementations of the following class methods.

```
class link_t
{
public:
    link_t(void);                // default constructor
    link_t(void *);             // overloaded constructor
    void    set_next(link_t *); // used in adding new link
    link_t *get_next(void);     // retrieve the next pointer
    void    *get_entity(void);  // retrieve entity pointer

private:
    link_t *next;               // next link in the list
    void    *entity;           // entity managed by link
};

class list_t
{
public:
    list_t(void);               // constructor
    void    add(void *);        // add entity to end of list
    void    start(void);        // set current to start of list
    void    *get_next(void);    // advance current pointer and
                                // return entity it points to.

private:
    link_t *first;              // first link
    link_t *last;               // last link
    link_t *current;           // current link.
};
```

A discussion of the operation of the individual class methods follows and may be found in the class notes. A discussion of the operation of each method follows.

***link_t* methods**

This constructor is passed a pointer to the entity that this new link will own. It should set the *next* pointer to NULL and set the *entity* pointer to the entity being passed in:

```
link_t::link_t(void *newentity)
{

}
```

The *set_next()* method is a typical “set” function that is used to tell the *link_t* to manipulate its own *next* pointer. It is called by the *add* method of the *list_t* class when an item that is not the first item is added to the list. It should set the *next* attribute of the *link_t* to *new_next*;

```
void link_t::set_next(link_t *new_next)
{

}
```

link_t getter methods

The `get_next()` method is a typical “get” function that is used as a way to tell the `link_t` to return the value of own `next` pointer.

```
link_t * link_t::get_next()
{

}
```

The `get_entity()` method is analogous. It would also work to simply make the `next` and `entity` elements *public*. Then any holder of a reference to the `link_t` could simply manipulate them directly... but it would be a *violation* of OO dogma to do so. It should return the `entity` pointer associated with the current link.

```
void * link_t::get_entity()
{

}
```

***list_t* class methods**

The *list_t* class overrides the default constructor with its own constructor with no parameters:

```
list_t::list_t()
{
    first = NULL;
    last =  NULL;
    current = first;
}
```

Adding a new object to the list

The *add()* method creates a new *link_t* and passes its constructor a pointer to the entity to be attached to the *link_t*. The *link_t* constructor returns a pointer to the new *link_t*.

If this is the *first* item added to an empty list, the *list_add* method should set the *first*, *last* and *current* pointers to the new link.

Otherwise, the *next* pointer of the existing *last* link should be set to point to the new *link_t* and the *last* pointer of the *list_t* should be set to the new *link_t*.

```
void list_t::add(void *entity)
{
    link_t *link;

}
}
```

Retrieving the *first* element of the list

If the *list* is empty the *list_start()* method should return `NULL`. Otherwise, the *list_start* method sets the *current* pointer to the first *link* in the list and returns a pointer to the first *entity* in the list.

```
void * list_t::start(void)
{
}

```

Retrieving the next entity in the list.

The *get_next* method attempts to advance the *current* pointer. If the *current* pointer is already at the end of the list `NULL` will be returned. The use of the *persistent state variable current* will prove to be something of a pain in nested processing of the list. The function must return a pointer to the current *entity* in the list.

```
void_t * list_t::get_next(void)
{
    link_t *link;
}

```

In this lab you will submit a single file, `list.cpp` that includes the new class methods constructed as part of this lab.

```
sendlab.102.labsection# lab# list.cpp
```