Topics

- 1. Implement Node Class
- 2. Generics
- 3. Implement SinglyLinkedList Class
- 4. Implement Basic Methods of SinglyLinkedList
 - isEmpty()
 - size()
 - first()
 - last()
 - addFirst()
 - addLast()
 - removeFirst()

Homework

1. develop an implementation of the equals method in the context of the SinglyLinkedList class.

```
import java.util.Objects;
```

```
public class SinglyLinkedList<T> {
    private static class Node<T> {
        T data;
        Node<T> next;

        Node(T data) {
            this.data = data;
            this.next = null;
        }
    }

    private Node<T> head;
```

```
public SinglyLinkedList() {
  this.head = null;
}
public void append(T data) {
  if (head == null) {
     head = new Node<>(data);
     return;
  Node<T> current = head;
  while (current.next != null) {
     current = current.next;
  current.next = new Node<>(data);
}
@Override
public boolean equals(Object obj) {
  if (this == obj) {
     return true;
  if (obj == null || getClass() != obj.getClass()) {
     return false;
  SinglyLinkedList<?> otherList = (SinglyLinkedList<?>) obj;
  Node<T> currentThis = this.head;
  Node<?> currentOther = otherList.head;
  while (currentThis != null && currentOther != null) {
     if (!Objects.equals(currentThis.data, currentOther.data)) {
        return false;
     currentThis = currentThis.next;
     currentOther = currentOther.next;
  return currentThis == null && currentOther == null;
}
```

```
public void printList() {
     Node<T> current = head;
     while (current != null) {
        System.out.print(current.data + " -> ");
        current = current.next;
     }
     System.out.println("null");
  }
  public static void main(String[] args) {
     SinglyLinkedList<Integer> list1 = new SinglyLinkedList<>();
     list1.append(1);
     list1.append(2);
     list1.append(3);
     SinglyLinkedList<Integer> list2 = new SinglyLinkedList<>();
     list2.append(1);
     list2.append(2);
     list2.append(3);
     SinglyLinkedList<Integer> list3 = new SinglyLinkedList<>();
     list3.append(1);
     list3.append(2);
     list3.append(4);
     SinglyLinkedList<Integer> list4 = new SinglyLinkedList<>();
     list4.append(1);
     list4.append(2);
     System.out.println("list1 equals list2: " + list1.equals(list2));
     System.out.println("list1 equals list3: " + list1.equals(list3));
     System.out.println("list1 equals list4: " + list1.equals(list4));
  }
}
```

2. Give an algorithm for finding the second-to-last node in a singly linked list in which the last node is indicated by a null next reference.

Handle Edge Cases: If the list is empty (head is null) or has only one node (head's next is null), there is no second-to-last node. Return an appropriate result (e.g., null or throw an exception).

Traverse the List: Use a pointer to traverse the list starting from the head. Maintain a reference to the **previous node** (second-to-last) and the **current node**.

Stop Before the Last Node: Continue traversing until the next node of the current node is null. At this point:

- The previous node is the **second-to-last node**.
- · Return this node.

Algorithm FindSecondToLastNode(head):
if head is null OR head.next is null:
Return null // No second-to-last node exists

Initialize two pointers: previous = null current = head

While current.next is not null: previous = current current = current.next

Return previous

3. Give an implementation of the size() method for the SingularlyLinkedList class, assuming that we did not maintain size as an instance variable.

Start at the head of the list.

Use a counter variable count initialized to 0.

Traverse through the list using a pointer, incrementing count for each node encountered.

Stop when the pointer reaches null.

Return the value of count as the size of the list.

```
public class SinglyLinkedList<T> {
private static class Node<T> {
  T data;
  Node<T> next;
  Node(T data) {
     this.data = data:
     this.next = null;
  }
}
private Node<T> head;
public SinglyLinkedList() {
  this.head = null;
}
public void append(T data) {
  if (head == null) {
     head = new Node<>(data);
     return;
  }
```

```
Node<T> current = head;
     while (current.next != null) {
       current = current.next;
     }
     current.next = new Node<>(data);
  }
  public int size() {
     int count = 0;
     Node<T> current = head;
     while (current != null) {
       count++;
        current = current.next;
     }
     return count;
  }
  public static void main(String[] args) {
     SinglyLinkedList<Integer> list = new SinglyLinkedList<>();
     list.append(10);
     list.append(20);
     list.append(30);
     list.append(40);
     System.out.println("Size of the list: " + list.size()); // Output: 4
     SinglyLinkedList<Integer> emptyList = new SinglyLinkedList<>();
     System.out.println("Size of the empty list: " + emptyList.size()); //
Output: 0
}
```

4. Implement a rotate() method in the SinglyLinkedList class, which has semantics equal to addLast(removeFirst()), yet without creating any new node.

```
public class SinglyLinkedList<T> {
private static class Node<T> {
  T data;
  Node<T> next;
  Node(T data) {
     this.data = data;
     this.next = null;
}
private Node<T> head;
public SinglyLinkedList() {
  this.head = null;
}
public void append(T data) {
  if (head == null) {
     head = new Node<>(data);
     return;
  Node<T> current = head:
  while (current.next != null) {
     current = current.next;
  }
  current.next = new Node<>(data);
```

```
}
public void rotate() {
  if (head == null || head.next == null) {
     return;
  }
  Node<T> oldHead = head;
  head = head.next;
  Node<T> current = head;
  while (current.next != null) {
     current = current.next;
  }
  current.next = oldHead;
  oldHead.next = null;
}
public void printList() {
  Node<T> current = head;
  while (current != null) {
     System.out.print(current.data + " -> ");
     current = current.next;
  }
  System.out.println("null");
}
public static void main(String[] args) {
  SinglyLinkedList<Integer> list = new SinglyLinkedList<>();
  list.append(10);
  list.append(20);
  list.append(30);
```

```
list.append(40);

System.out.println("Original list:");
list.printList();

list.rotate();

System.out.println("After rotation:");
list.printList();

list.rotate();

System.out.println("After another rotation:");
list.printList();
}
```

5. Describe an algorithm for concatenating two singly linked lists L and M, into a single list L' that contains all the nodes of L followed by all the nodes of M.

Check for Edge Cases:

If either list is empty (null), return the other list as the result.

Find the Last Node of L:

Traverse list L until the last node (where next is null).

Link the Last Node of L to the Head of M:

Set the next pointer of the last node in $\bf L$ to point to the head of $\bf M$. This effectively appends $\bf M$ to the end of $\bf L$.

Return the Head of L:

The head of the concatenated list is the same as the head of **L**, since all the nodes of **L** will precede the nodes of **M**.

Algorithm Concatenate(L, M):

```
If L is null:
    Return M

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    Return L

current = L

While current.next is not null:
    current = current.next

current.next = M

Return L
```

- Describe in detail an algorithm for reversing a singly linked list L using only a constant amount of additional space.
 Initialization
- **Previous Node (prev):** Initialize prev to None. This will point to the previous node during the traversal.
- Current Node (curr): Initialize curr to the head of the linked list (L).
 2. Iteration
- Loop: While curr is not None:
 - Next Node (next): Store the next pointer of the curr node in a temporary variable next. This is crucial because we'll be modifying the next pointer of curr in the next step.
 - Reverse Link: Update the next pointer of the curr node to point to the prev node.
 - Move Pointers:
 - Update prev to point to the current node (curr).
 - Update curr to the next node (which was stored earlier).

3. Return Result

 After the loop completes, prev will be pointing to the new head of the reversed linked list.

• Return prev.

```
class Node:
    def __init__(self, data):
        self.data = data
        self.next = None

def reverse_linked_list(head):
    prev = None
    curr = head

while curr:
    next_node = curr.next
    curr.next = prev
    prev = curr
    curr = next_node

return prev
```