ACCESSING LINKLIST (NODES)

Lets go back to prog1

```
typedef struct node{
    int val;
    struct node *next;
}NodeType;
```

SINGLE POINTER

⇒ Having the value of the structure (node) aka Pointing to the Node itself not the address

When or What's the use?

⇒ When you are only changing the value inside of the node or traversing. Traversing means visiting every node (ex. Printing)

DOUBLE POINTER

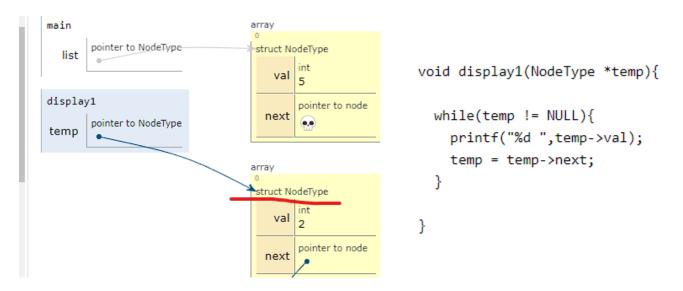
- ⇒ Pointing to a pointer **which has the node** and having the address of the structure (**node**) itself
- ⇒ Always need a Temporary Node so your main Node won't change its node position

When or What's the use?

- ⇒ When you are MANIPULATING the **node** itself by Traversing ex. Deleting the **node**, Adding the **node** and Etc.
- ⇒ Single pointer Can only manipulate the values inside the structure not the node
- ⇒ Double Pointer Can manipulate all

TRAVERSING DIFFERENCE

$$q = q$$
->link; (S.P.)



- ⇒ Jumps to the next node
- Doesn't need any temporary as its node wont change except if u are changing a certain value on a variable

p = &(*p)->link; (D.P.)

```
Stack
                                      Heap
main
                                      array
                                                                   void display(NodeType **list){
                                                                     NodeType **temp = list;
         pointer to NodeType
                                       struct NodeType
   list
                                                                     while(*temp != NULL){
                                          val
                                              5
                                                                        printf("%d ",(*temp)->val);
display
                                                                        temp = &(*temp)->next;
                                              pointer to node
                                        next
        pointer to NodeType*
  list
                                      type punning: view 1 of 2
        pointer to NodeType*
                                                                   }
                                      [switch views]
temp
                                      array
```

- ⇒ "&" means the address of that next node which means you can manipulate what's inside that node or that node itself
- ⇒ Always need a temporary Node so your main Node wont change its node position

HOW DOES DOUBLE POINTER WORKS?

Example: NodeType **link , *temp;

link => address of what is it pointing to

*link => value

&link => address of link

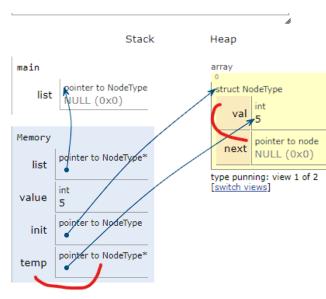
link = temp;

- ⇒ Link is pointing to what is temp pointing to but link will not be pointing to list anymore which is its main node;
- ⇒ If link = &temp then link is pointing to a pointer

Ex. visualization

```
void insertRear(NodeType **list, int value){
   NodeType *init = malloc(sizeof(NodeType));
   init->val = value;
   init->next = NULL;

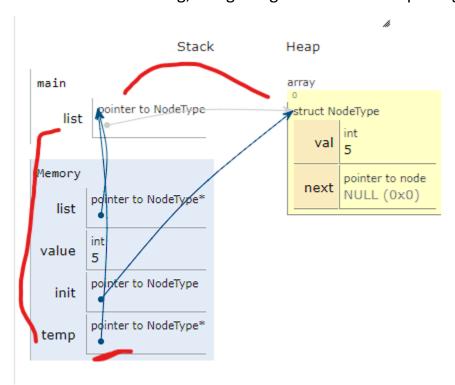
   NodeType** temp;
   for(temp = list; *temp != NULL; temp = &(*temp)->next){}
   temp = init;|
}
```



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*link = temp;

- ⇒ Link will point to its main node and main node will point to a node which temp is pointing to, then both are pointing to the same node
- ⇒ De referencing, link getting the value of temp using *



```
void Memory(NodeType **list, int value){
   NodeType *init = malloc(sizeof(NodeType));
   init->val = value;
   init->next = NULL;

   NodeType** temp;
   for(temp = list; *temp != NULL; temp = &(*temp)->next){}
   *temp = init;
}
```

Refer to pythontutor c to visualize, since I cant explain properly;')