DATA STRUCTURES AND ALGORITHMS LECTURE 5

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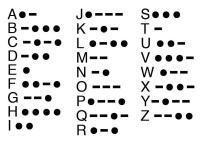
In Lecture 4...

- Containers
 - ADT Matrix
 - ADT Stack
 - ADT Queue
 - ADT PriorityQueue
 - ADT Map
 - ADT SortedMap

Today

- Containers
- Linked Lists

 Morse Code, is a code which assigns to every letter a sequence of dots and dashes.



https://medium.com/@timboucher/learning-morse-code-35e1f4d285f6

 Given a list of words, find the largest subset of the words, for which the Morse representation is the same.

- For example, if the words are *cat*, *ca*, *nna*, *abc* and *nnet*, their Morse code representation is:
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 - nna -.-..-
 - abc .-..-.
 - nnet -.-.-
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- What would be the characteristics of the container used for this problem?
 - We could solve the problem if we used the Morse representation of a word as a key and the corresponding word as a value
 - One key can have multiple values
 - Order of the elements is not important
- The container in which we store key value pairs, and where a key can have multiple associated values, is called a ADT MultiMap.

ADT MultiMap

Domain of ADT MultiMap:

 $\mathcal{MM} = \{mm|mm \text{ is a Multimap with TKey, TValue pairs}\}$

ADT MultiMap - Interface I

- init (mm)
 - descr: creates a new empty multimap
 - pre: true
 - **post:** $mm \in \mathcal{MM}$, mm is an empty multimap

ADT MultiMap - Interface II

- destroy(mm)
 - descr: destroys a multimap
 - pre: $mm \in \mathcal{MM}$
 - post: the multimap was destroyed

ADT MultiMap - Interface III

- add(mm, k, v)
 - descr: add a new pair to the multimap
 - **pre:** $mm \in \mathcal{MM}$, k TKey, v TValue
 - **post:** $mm' \in \mathcal{MM}$, $mm' = mm \cup \langle k, v \rangle$

ADT MultiMap - Interface IV

- remove(mm, k, v)
 - descr: removes a key value pair from the multimap
 - **pre:** $mm \in \mathcal{MM}$, k TKey, v TValue
 - **post:** $remove \leftarrow \begin{cases} true, & \text{if } < k, v > \in mm, mm' \in \mathcal{MM}, mm' = mm < k, v > \\ false, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

ADT MultiMap - Interface V

- search(mm, k, l)
 - descr: returns a list with all the values associated to a key
 - **pre:** $mm \in \mathcal{MM}$, k TKey
 - **post:** $l \in \mathcal{L}$, l is the list of values associated to the key k. If k is not in the multimap, l is the empty list.

ADT MultiMap - Interface VI

- iterator(mm, it)
 - descr: returns an iterator over the multimap
 - pre: $mm \in \mathcal{MM}$
 - **post:** $it \in \mathcal{I}$, it is an iterator over mm, the current element from it is the first pair from mm, or, it is invalid if mm is empty
 - Obs: the iterator for a MultiMap is similar to the iterator for other containers, but the getCurrent operation returns a <key, value> pair.

ADT MultiMap - Interface VII

- size(mm)
 - descr: returns the number of pairs from the multimap
 - pre: $mm \in \mathcal{MM}$
 - **post:** *size* ← the number of pairs from mm

ADT MultiMap - Interface VIII

- Other possible operations:
- keys(mm, s)
 - descr: returns the set of all keys from the multimap
 - pre: $mm \in \mathcal{MM}$
 - **post:** $s \in \mathcal{S}$, s is the set of all keys from mm

ADT MultiMap - Interface IX

- values(mm, b)
 - descr: returns the bag of all values from the multimap
 - pre: $mm \in \mathcal{MM}$
 - **post:** $b \in \mathcal{B}$ m b is a bag with all the values from mm

ADT MultiMap - Interface X

- pairs(mm, b)
 - descr: returns the bag of all pairs from the multimap
 - pre: $mm \in \mathcal{MM}$
 - **post:** $b \in \mathcal{B}$, b is a bag with all the pairs from mm

ADT SortedMultiMap

- The only change in the interface is for the *init* operation that will receive the *relation* as parameter.
- For a sorted MultiMap, the iterator has to iterate through the pairs in the order given by the *relation*, and the operations keys and pairs return SortedSet and SortedBag.

ADT MultiMap - representations

- There are several data structures that can be used to implement an ADT MultiMap (or ADT SortedMultiMap), the dynamic array being one of them (others will be discussed later):
- Regardless of the data structure used, there are two options to represent a MultiMap (sorted or not):
 - Store individual < key, value > pairs. If a key has multiple values, there will be multiple pairs containing this key. (R1)
 - Store unique keys and for each key store a list of associated values. (R2)

ADT MultiMap - R1

• For the example with the Morse code, we would have:



- Key is written with red and the value with black.
- Every element is one key value pair.

ADT MultiMap - R2

• For the example with the Morse code, we would have:



- Key is written with red and the value with black.
- Every element is one key together with all the values belonging to it. The *list of values* can be another dynamic array, or a linked list, or any other data structure.

ADT List

- A *list* can be seen as a sequence of elements of the same type, $\langle l_1, l_2, ..., l_n \rangle$, where there is an order of the elements, and each element has a *position* inside the list.
- In a list, the order of the elements is important (positions are important).
- The number of elements from a list is called the length of the list. A list without elements is called *empty*.

ADT List

- A List is a container which is either empty or
 - it has a unique first element
 - it has a unique last element
 - for every element (except for the last) there is a unique successor element
 - for every element (except for the first) there is a unique predecessor element
- In a list, we can insert elements (using positions), remove elements (using positions), we can access the successor and predecessor of an element from a given position, we can access an element from a position.

ADT List - Positions

- Every element from a list has a unique position in the list:
 - positions are relative to the list (but important for the list)
 - the position of an element:
 - identifies the element from the list
 - determines the position of the successor and predecessor element (if they exist).

ADT List - Positions

- Position of an element can be seen in different ways:
 - as the rank of the element in the list (first, second, third, etc.)
 - similarly to an array, the position of an element is actually its index
 - as a reference to the memory location where the element is stored.
 - for example a pointer to the memory location
- For a general treatment, we will consider in the following the position of an element in an abstract manner, and we will consider that positions are of type TPosition

ADT - List - Positions

- A position p will be considered valid if it denotes the position of an actual element from the list:
 - if p is a pointer to a memory location, p is valid if it is the address of an element from a list (not NIL or some other address that is not the address of any element)
 - if *p* is the rank of the element from the list, *p* is valid if it is between 1 and the number of elements.
- ullet For an invalid position we will use the following notation: $oldsymbol{\perp}$

ADT List I

Domain of the ADT List:

 $\mathcal{L} = \{I | I \text{ is a list with elements of type TElem, each having a unique position in I of type TPosition} \}$

ADT List II

- init(l)
 - descr: creates a new, empty list
 - pre: true
 - **post:** $l \in \mathcal{L}$, l is an empty list

ADT List III

- first(I)
 - descr: returns the TPosition of the first element
 - pre: $l \in \mathcal{L}$
 - **post:** $first \leftarrow p \in TPosition$

$$p = egin{cases} ext{the position of the first element from I} & ext{if I}
eq \emptyset \ & ext{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

ADT List IV

- last(l)
 - descr: returns the TPosition of the last element
 - pre: $I \in \mathcal{L}$
 - **post:** $last \leftarrow p \in TPosition$ $p = \begin{cases} \text{the position of the last element from I} & \text{if I} \neq \emptyset \\ \bot & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

ADT List V

- valid(I, p)
 - descr: checks whether a TPosition is valid in a list
 - pre: $l \in \mathcal{L}, p \in TPosition$
 - **post:** $valid \leftarrow \begin{cases} true & \text{if p is a valid position in I} \\ false & otherwise \end{cases}$

ADT List VI

- next(I, p)

 descr: goes to the next TPosition from a list

 pre: $l \in \mathcal{L}, p \in TPosition, valid(I, p)$ post: $next \leftarrow q \in TPosition$ q = $\begin{cases} \text{the position of the next element after p} & \text{if p is not the last position} \\ \bot & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$
 - **throws:** exception if *p* is not valid



ADT List VII

- previous(l, p)
 - descr: goes to the previous TPosition from a list
 - **pre**: $l \in \mathcal{L}, p \in TPosition, valid(l, p)$
 - post:

$$previous \leftarrow q \in TPosition$$

$$q = \begin{cases} \text{the position of the element before p} & \text{if p is not the first position} \\ \bot & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

throws: exception if p is not valid



ADT List VIII

- getElement(I, p)
 - descr: returns the element from a given TPosition
 - pre: $l \in \mathcal{L}, p \in TPosition, valid(l, p)$
 - post: getElement ← e, e ∈ TElem, e = the element from position p from I
 - throws: exception if p is not valid

ADT List IX

- position(I, e)
 - descr: returns the TPosition of an element
 - pre: $l \in \mathcal{L}, e \in TElem$
 - post:

$$position \leftarrow p \in TPosition$$

$$p = \begin{cases} \text{the first position of element e from I} & \text{if } e \in I \\ \bot & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

ADT List X

- setElement(I, p, e)
 - descr: replaces an element from a TPosition with another
 - pre: $l \in \mathcal{L}, p \in TPosition, e \in TElem, valid(l, p)$
 - post: I' ∈ L, the element from position p from I' is e, setElement ← el, el ∈ TElem, el is the element from position p from I (returns the previous value from the position)
 - throws: exception if p is not valid

ADT List XI

- addToBeginning(I, e)
 - descr: adds a new element to the beginning of a list
 - pre: $l \in \mathcal{L}, e \in TElem$
 - **post:** $l' \in \mathcal{L}$, l' is the result after the element e was added at the beginning of l

ADT List XII

- addToEnd(I, e)
 - descr:adds a new element to the end of a list
 - pre: $l \in \mathcal{L}, e \in TElem$
 - **post:** $l' \in \mathcal{L}$, l' is the result after the element e was added at the end of l

ADT List XIII

- addBeforePosition(I, p, e)
 - descr: inserts a new element before a given position
 - pre: $l \in \mathcal{L}, p \in TPosition, e \in TElem, valid(l, p)$
 - **post:** $l' \in \mathcal{L}$, l' is the result after the element e was added in l before the position p
 - throws: exception if p is not valid

ADT List XIV

- addAfterPosition(I, p, e)
 - descr: inserts a new element after a given position
 - **pre:** $l \in \mathcal{L}, p \in TPosition, e \in TElem, valid(l, p)$
 - **post:** $l' \in \mathcal{L}$, l' is the result after the element e was added in I after the position p
 - throws: exception if p is not valid

ADT List XV

- remove(I, p)
 - descr: removes an element from a given position from a list
 - **pre:** $l \in \mathcal{L}, p \in TPosition, valid(l, p)$
 - post: remove ← e, e ∈ TElem, e is the element from position p from I, I' ∈ L, I' = I - e.
 - throws: exception if p is not valid

ADT List XVI

- remove(I, e)
 - **descr:** removes the first occurrence of a given element from a list
 - pre: $l \in \mathcal{L}, e \in TElem$
 - post:

$$remove \leftarrow \begin{cases} true & \text{if } e \in I \text{ and it was removed} \\ false & otherwise \end{cases}$$

ADT List XVII

- search(I, e)
 - descr: searches for an element in the list
 - pre: $l \in \mathcal{L}, e \in TElem$
 - post:

$$search \leftarrow \begin{cases} true & \text{if } e \in I \\ false & otherwise \end{cases}$$

ADT List XVIII

- isEmpty(I)
 - descr: checks if a list is empty
 - pre: $I \in \mathcal{L}$
 - post:

$$isEmpty \leftarrow \begin{cases} true & \text{if } I = \emptyset \\ false & otherwise \end{cases}$$

ADT List XIX

- size(I)
 - descr: returns the number of elements from a list
 - pre: $l \in \mathcal{L}$
 - **post:** *size* ← the number of elements from I

ADT List XX

- destroy(I)
 - descr: destroys a list
 - pre: $I \in \mathcal{L}$
 - post: I was destroyed

ADT List XXI

- iterator(I, it)
 - descr: returns an iterator for a list
 - pre: $l \in \mathcal{L}$
 - **post**: $it \in \mathcal{I}$, it is an iterator over l, the current element from it is the first element from l, or, if l is empty, it is invalid

TPosition - Integer

- In Python and Java, TPosition is represented by an index.
- We can add and remove using index and we can access elements using their index (but we have iterator as well for the List).
- For example (Python): insert (int index, E object) index (E object)
 - Returns an integer value, position of the element (or exception if object is not in the list)
- For example (Java):
 void add(int index, E element)
 E get(int index)
 E remove(int index)
 - Returns the removed element



ADT IndexedList

- If we consider that TPosition is an Integer value (similar to Python and Java), we can have an *IndexedList*
- In case of an *IndexedList* the operations that work with a position take as parameter integer numbers representing these positions
- There are less operations in the interface of the *IndexedList*
 - Operations first, last, next, previous, valid do not exist

ADT IndexedList I

- init(l)
 - descr: creates a new, empty list
 - pre: true
 - **post:** $l \in \mathcal{L}$, l is an empty list

ADT IndexedList II

- getElement(I, i)
 - descr: returns the element from a given position
 - **pre:** $l \in \mathcal{L}, i \in \mathcal{N}, i$ is a valid position
 - post: getElement ← e, e ∈ TElem, e = the element from position i from I
 - throws: exception if i is not valid

ADT IndexedList III

position(l, e) • descr: returns the position of an element • pre: $l \in \mathcal{L}, e \in TElem$ post: $position \leftarrow i \in \mathcal{N}$ $\mathsf{i} = egin{cases} \mathsf{the first position of element e from I} & \mathsf{if } e \in I \\ -1 & \end{cases}$

otherwise

ADT IndexedList IV

- setElement(I, i, e)
 - descr: replaces an element from a position with another
 - **pre:** $l \in \mathcal{L}, i \in \mathcal{N}, e \in TElem, i$ is a valid position
 - post: I' ∈ L, the element from position i from I' is e, setElement ← el, el ∈ TElem, el is the element from position i from I (returns the previous value from the position)
 - throws: exception if i is not valid

ADT IndexedList V

- addToBeginning(I, e)
 - descr: adds a new element to the beginning of a list
 - pre: $l \in \mathcal{L}, e \in TElem$
 - **post:** $l' \in \mathcal{L}$, l' is the result after the element e was added at the beginning of l

ADT IndexedList VI

- addToEnd(I, e)
 - descr:adds a new element to the end of a list
 - pre: $l \in \mathcal{L}, e \in TElem$
 - **post:** $l' \in \mathcal{L}$, l' is the result after the element e was added at the end of l

ADT IndexedList VII

- addToPosition(I, i, e)
 - descr: inserts a new element at a given position (it is the same as addBeforePosition)
 - **pre:** $l \in \mathcal{L}, i \in \mathcal{N}, e \in TElem, i$ is a valid position (size +1 is valid for adding an element)
 - **post:** $l' \in \mathcal{L}$, l' is the result after the element e was added in l at the position i
 - throws: exception if i is not valid

ADT IndexedList VIII

- remove(I, i)
 - descr: removes an element from a given position from a list
 - **pre:** $l \in \mathcal{L}, i \in \mathcal{N}$, i is a valid position
 - post: remove ← e, e ∈ TElem, e is the element from position
 i from I, I' ∈ L, I' = I e.
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ADT IndexedList IX

- remove(I, e)
 - **descr:** removes the first occurrence of a given element from a list
 - pre: $l \in \mathcal{L}, e \in TElem$
 - post:

$$remove \leftarrow \begin{cases} true & \text{if } e \in I \text{ and it was removed} \\ false & otherwise \end{cases}$$

ADT IndexedList X

- search(I, e)
 - descr: searches for an element in the list
 - pre: $l \in \mathcal{L}, e \in TElem$
 - post:

$$search \leftarrow \begin{cases} true & \text{if } e \in I \\ false & otherwise \end{cases}$$

ADT IndexedList XI

- isEmpty(I)
 - descr: checks if a list is empty
 - pre: $l \in \mathcal{L}$
 - post:

$$isEmpty \leftarrow \begin{cases} true & \text{if } I = \emptyset \\ false & otherwise \end{cases}$$

ADT IndexedList XII

- size(I)
 - descr: returns the number of elements from a list
 - pre: $l \in \mathcal{L}$
 - **post:** *size* ← the number of elements from I

ADT IndexedList XIII

- destroy(I)
 - descr: destroys a list
 - pre: $I \in \mathcal{L}$
 - post: I was destroyed

ADT IndexedList XIV

- iterator(I, it)
 - descr: returns an iterator for a list
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 - **post**: $it \in \mathcal{I}$, it is an iterator over l, the current element from it is the first element from l, or, if l is empty, it is invalid

TPosition - Iterator

- In STL (C++), TPosition is represented by an iterator.
- For example vector: iterator insert(iterator position, const value_type& val)
 - Returns an iterator which points to the newly inserted element iterator erase (iterator position);
 - Returns an iterator which points to the element after the removed one
- For example list:
 - iterator insert(iterator position, const value_type& val) iterator erase (iterator position);

ADT IteratedList

- If we consider that TPosition is an Iterator (similar to C++) we can have an *IteratedList*.
- In case of an IteratedList the operations that take as parameter a position use an Iterator (and the position is the current element from the Iterator)
- Operations valid, next, previous no longer exist in the interface of the List (they are operations for the Iterator).

ADT IteratedList I

- init(I)
 - descr: creates a new, empty list
 - pre: true
 - **post:** $l \in \mathcal{L}$, l is an empty list

ADT IteratedList II

- first(I)
 - descr: returns an Iterator set to the first element
 - pre: $l \in \mathcal{L}$
 - **post:** $first \leftarrow it \in Iterator$

$$it = egin{cases} ext{an iterator set to the first element} & ext{if } I
eq \emptyset \\ ext{an invalid iterator} & ext{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

ADT IteratedList III

- last(l)
 - descr: returns an Iterator set to the last element
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 - post: $last \leftarrow it \in Iterator$

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ADT IteratedList IV

- getElement(I, it)
 - descr: returns the element from the position denoted by an Iterator
 - **pre:** $l \in \mathcal{L}$, $it \in Iterator$, valid(it)
 - post: getElement ← e, e ∈ TElem, e = the element from I from the current position
 - throws: exception if it is not valid

ADT IteratedList V

- position(I, e)
 - descr: returns an iterator set to the first position of an element
 - pre: $l \in \mathcal{L}, e \in TElem$
 - post:

$$\textit{position} \leftarrow \textit{it} \in \textit{Iterator}$$

$$it = \begin{cases} an \text{ iterator set to the first position of element e from I} & \text{if } e \in I \\ an \text{ invalid iterator} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

ADT IteratedList VI

- setElement(I, it, e)
 - descr: replaces the element from the position denoted by an Iterator with another element
 - **pre:** $l \in \mathcal{L}$, $it \in Iterator$, $e \in TElem$, valid(it)
 - **post:** $l' \in \mathcal{L}$, the element from the position denoted by it from l' is e, $setElement \leftarrow el$, $el \in TElem$, el is the element from the current position from it from l (returns the previous value from the position)
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ADT IteratedList VII

- addToBeginning(I, e)
 - descr: adds a new element to the beginning of a list
 - pre: $l \in \mathcal{L}, e \in TElem$
 - **post:** $l' \in \mathcal{L}$, l' is the result after the element e was added at the beginning of l

ADT IteratedList VIII

- addToEnd(I, e)
 - descr: inserts a new element at the end of a list
 - pre: $l \in \mathcal{L}, e \in TElem$
 - **post:** $l' \in \mathcal{L}$, l' is the result after the element e was added at the end of l

ADT IteratedList IX

- addToPosition(I, it, e)
 - **descr:** inserts a new element at a given position specified by the iterator (it is the same as *addAfterPosition*)
 - **pre:** $l \in \mathcal{L}$, $it \in Iterator$, $e \in TElem$, valid(it)
 - **post:** $l' \in \mathcal{L}$, l' is the result after the element e was added in I at the position specified by it
 - throws: exception if it is not valid

ADT IteratedList X

- remove(I, it)
 - descr: removes an element from a given position specfied by the iterator from a list
 - pre: $l \in \mathcal{L}$, $it \in Iterator$, valid(it)
 - **post:** $remove \leftarrow e, e \in TElem, e$ is the element from the position from I denoted by it, $l' \in \mathcal{L}$, l' = I e.
 - throws: exception if it is not valid

ADT IteratedList XI

- remove(I, e)
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ADT IteratedList XIII

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ADT IteratedList XIV

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 - **post:** *size* ← the number of elements from I

ADT IteratedList XV

- destroy(I)
 - descr: destroys a list
 - pre: $l \in \mathcal{L}$
 - post: I was destroyed

ADT SortedList

- We can define the ADT SortedList, in which the elements are memorized in an order given by a relation.
- You have below the list of operations for ADT List
 - init(l)
 - first(I)
 - last(l)
 - valid(l, p)
 - next(l, p)
 - previous(l, p)
 - getElement(I, p)
 - position(I, e)

- setElement(I, p, e)
- addToBeginning(I, e)
- addToEnd(I, e)
- addToPosition(I, p, e)
- remove(I, p)
- remove(I, e)
- search(l, e)
- isEmpty(I)
- size(I)
- destroy(I)
- iterator(I, it)
- Which operations do no longer exist for a SortedList? What operations should be added? Should we change the parameters of some operations?

ADT SortedList

- The interface of the ADT SortedList is very similar to that of the ADT List with some exceptions:
 - The *init* function takes as parameter a relation that is going to be used to order the elements
 - We no longer have several add operations (addToBeginning, addToEnd, addToPostion), we have one single add operation, which takes as parameter only the element to be added (and adds it to the position where it should go based on the relation)
 - We no longer have a setElement operation (might violate ordering)
- We can consider TPosition in two different ways for a SortedList as well ⇒ SortedIndexedList and SortedIteratedList

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 - constant time for operations (add, remove) at the end of the array
- This gives us the main disadvantage of the array as well:
 - $\Theta(n)$ complexity for operations (add, remove) at the beginning of the array

Linked Lists

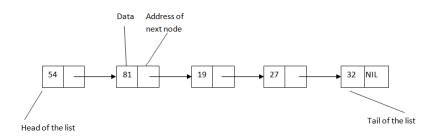
- A linked list is a linear data structure, where the order of the elements is determined not by indexes, but by a pointer which is placed in each element.
- A linked list is a structure that consists of nodes (sometimes called links) and each node contains, besides the data (that we store in the linked list), a pointer to the address of the next node (and possibly a pointer to the address of the previous node).
- The nodes of a linked list are not necessarily adjacent in the memory, this is why we need to keep the address of the successor in each node.

Linked Lists

- Elements from a linked list are accessed based on the pointers stored in the nodes.
- We can directly access only the first element (and maybe the last one) of the list.

Linked Lists

• Example of a linked list with 5 nodes:



Singly Linked Lists - SLL

- The linked list from the previous slide is actually a singly linked list - SLL.
- In a SLL each node from the list contains the data and the address of the next node.
- The first node of the list is called head of the list and the last node is called tail of the list.
- The tail of the list contains the special value NIL as the address of the next node (which does not exist).
- If the head of the SLL is NIL, the list is considered empty.

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Usually, for a SLL, we only memorize the address of the head.
 However, there might be situations when we memorize the address of the tail as well (if the application requires it).



SLL - Operations

- Possible operations for a singly linked list:
 - search for an element with a given value
 - add an element (to the beginning, to the end, to a given position, after a given value)
 - delete an element (from the beginning, from the end, from a given position, with a given value)
 - get an element from a position
- These are possible operations; usually we need only part of them, depending on the container that we implement using a SLL.

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end-function
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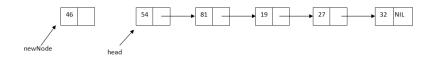
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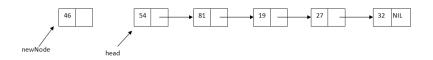
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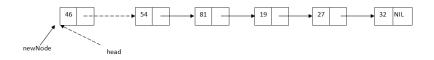
• Complexity: O(n) - we can find the element in the first node, or we may need to verify every node.

SLL - Walking through a linked list

- In the search function we have seen how we can walk through the elements of a linked list:
 - we need an auxiliary node (called current), which starts at the head of the list
 - at each step, the value of the current node becomes the address of the successor node (through the current ← [current].next instruction)
 - we stop when the current node becomes NIL







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subalgorithm insertFirst (sll, elem) is:
//pre: sll is a SLL; elem is a TElem
//post: the element elem will be inserted at the beginning of sll
newNode ← allocate() //allocate a new SLLNode
[newNode].info ← elem
[newNode].next ← sll.head
sll.head ← newNode
end-subalgorithm
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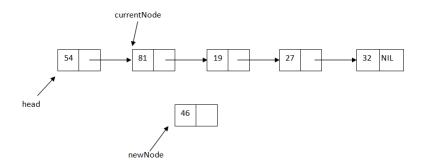
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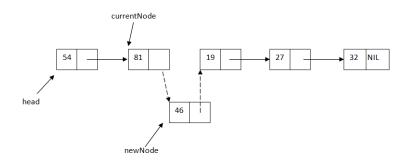
sll.head ← newNode

end-subalgorithm
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• Complexity: $\Theta(1)$

• Suppose that we have the address of a node from the SLL and we want to insert a new element after that node.





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subalgorithm insertAfter(sll, currentNode, elem) is:

//pre: sll is a SLL; currentNode is an SLLNode from sll;

//elem is a TElem

//post: a node with elem will be inserted after node currentNode

newNode ← allocate() //allocate a new SLLNode

[newNode].info ← elem

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end-subalgorithm
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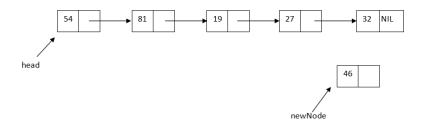
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Insert before a node

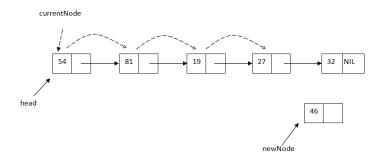
• Think about the following case: if you have a node, how can you insert an element in front of the node?

- We usually do not have the node after which we want to insert an element: we either know the position to which we want to insert, or know the element (not the node) after which we want to insert an element.
- Suppose we want to insert a new element at integer position p
 (after insertion the new element will be at position p). Since
 we only have access to the head of the list we first need to
 find the position after which we insert the element.

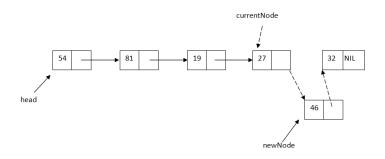
• We want to insert element 46 at position 5.



• We need the 4th node (to insert element 46 after it), but we have direct access only to the first one, so we have to take an auxiliary node (*currentNode*) to get to the position.



Now we insert after node currentNode



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subalgorithm insertPosition(sll, pos, elem) is:
//pre: sll is a SLL; pos is an integer number; elem is a TElem
//post: a node with TElem will be inserted at position pos
  if pos < 1 then
      @error, invalid position
   else if pos = 1 then //we want to insert at the beginning
      newNode ← allocate() //allocate a new SLLNode
      [newNode].info \leftarrow elem
      [newNode].next \leftarrow sll.head
      sll head \leftarrow newNode
   else
      currentNode ← sll.head
      currentPos \leftarrow 1
      while currentPos < pos - 1 and currentNode \neq NIL execute
         currentNode \leftarrow [currentNode].next
         currentPos \leftarrow currentPos + 1
      end-while
//continued on the next slide...
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if currentNode \neq NIL then
        newNode ← allocate() //allocate a new SLLNode
        [newNode].info \leftarrow elem
        [newNode].next \leftarrow [currentNode].next
        [currentNode].next \leftarrow newNode
     else
        @error, invalid position
     end-if
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end-subalgorithm
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