SKILLS

Linked List

Part – 2

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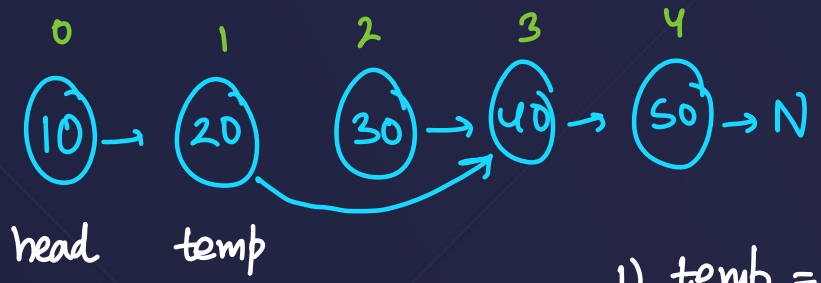
Ques: Delete Node in a Linked List [Leetcode - 237]

delete → head, tail, delete at idx



delete at (2)

1) temp = head
2) traverse temp till (idx-1)
3) temp → next = temp → next → next

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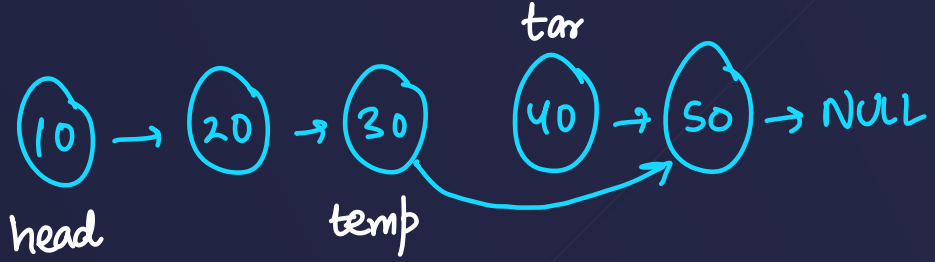

delete (head, target)

↓

delete (head, targetVal)

1) temp = head

2) traverse temp till

temp → next = tar → break;

3) temp → next = temp → next → next

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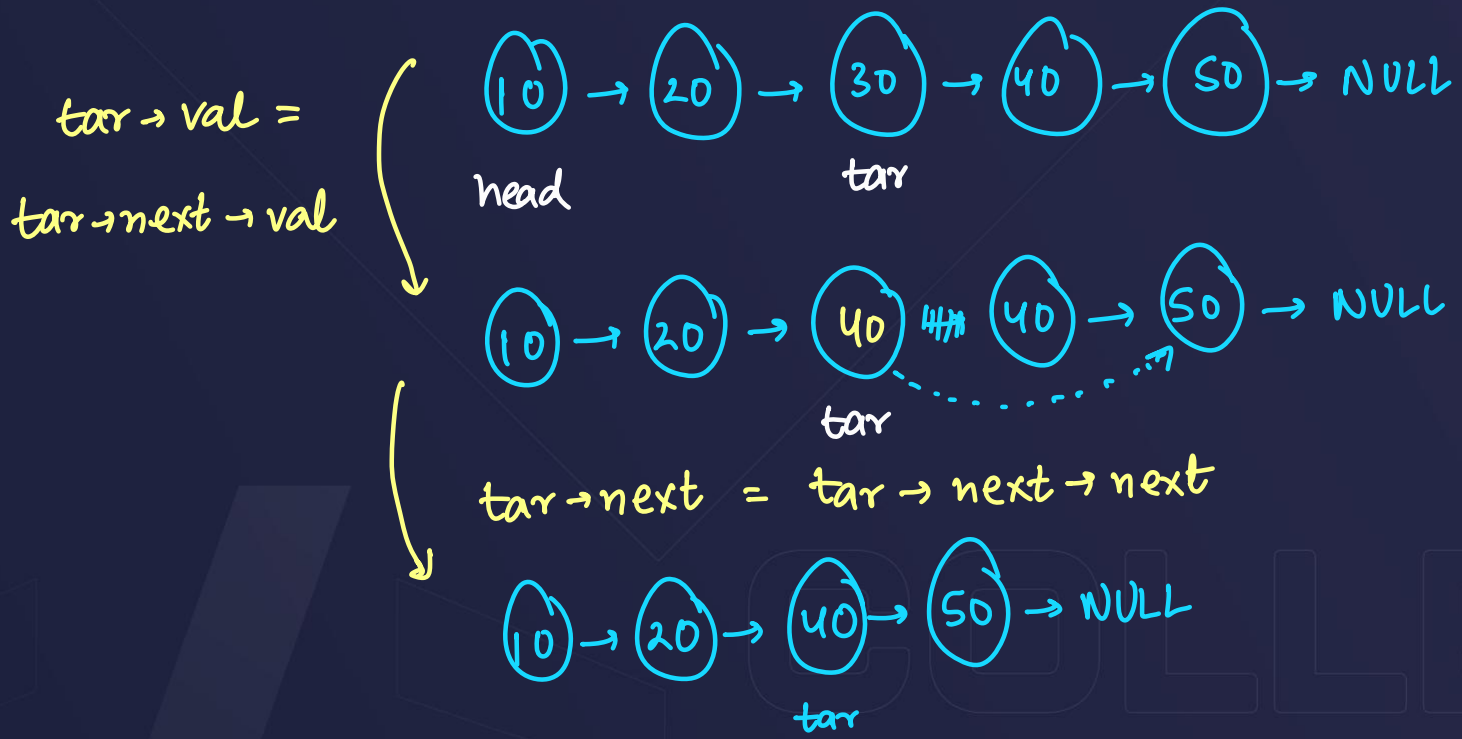
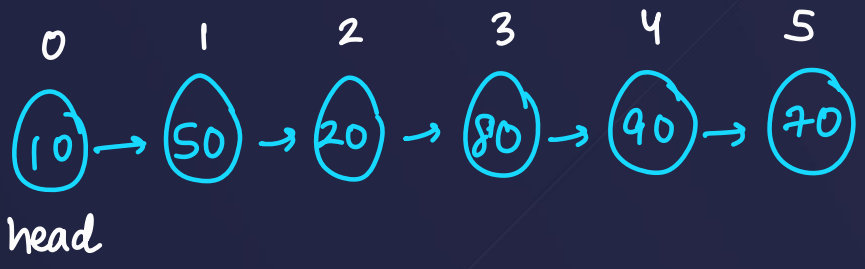


Ques: Middle of the Linked List [Leetcode - 876]



Length → 'n' → '0 to n-1'

For Odd Length → $\frac{n}{2}^{th}$ index → middle

For Even Length → $\frac{n}{2}-1^{th}$ & $\frac{n}{2}^{th}$

↓ left middle

right middle

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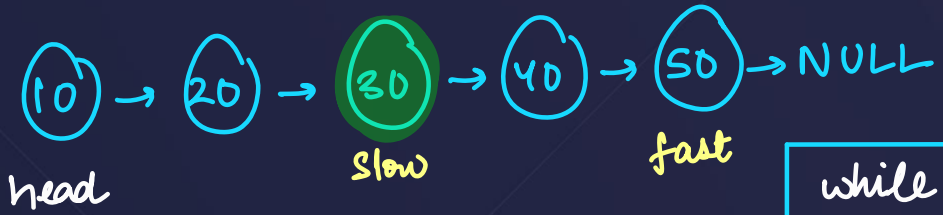
What interviewer wants ??

↳ to solve this ques in '1 pass'

Odd Length

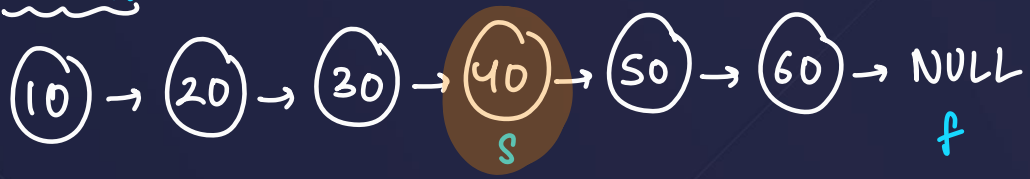


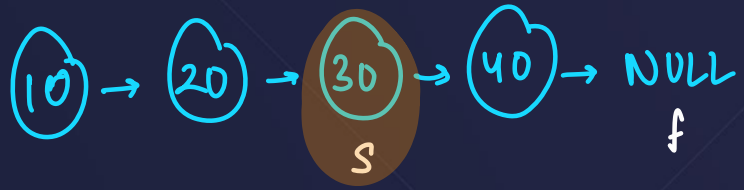
→ Slow & fast pointer technique


```
while(fast->next != NULL){
    slow = slow->next;
    fast = fast->next->next;
}
return slow;
```

Ques: Middle of the Linked List [Leetcode - 876]

Even Length List



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while(fast != NULL){
    slow = slow->next;
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}
return slow;
```

Ques: Middle of the Linked List [Leetcode - 876]

```
ListNode* slow = head;
ListNode* fast = head;
while(fast->next!=NULL && fast!=NULL){
    slow = slow->next;
    fast = fast->next->next;
}
return slow;
```

If for any node 'temp',
we want to check/get the value
of temp→next then PLS FIRSTLY
CHECK IF TEMP ITSELF !=NULL

Ques: Middle of the Linked List [Leetcode - 876]

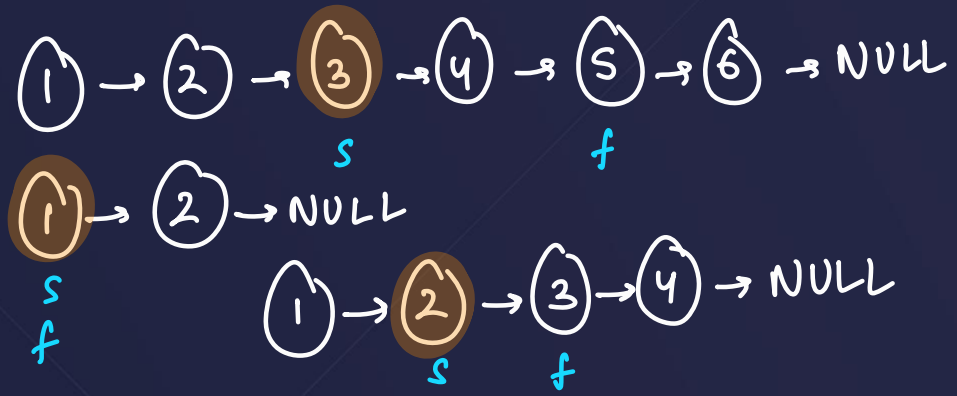
```
ListNode* slow = head;
ListNode* fast = head;
while(fast!=NULL && fast->next!=NULL){
    slow = slow->next;
    fast = fast->next->next;
}
return slow;
```

if (con1 && con2)
↓
F

short ckt

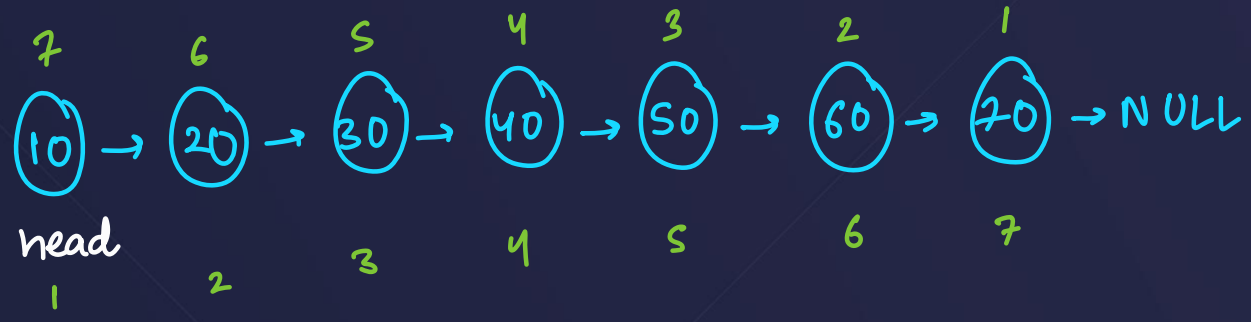
Ques: Middle of the Linked List [Leetcode - 876]

How to find left middle ??




```
While (fast→next→next != NULL ){
    slow = slow→next;
    fast = fast→next→next;
}
```

Ques: Remove Nth Node from End of List [Leetcode - 19]



find out the 3rd node from last ?

→ len = 7

n^{th} from end = $(len - n + 1)^{th}$ node from start

Find/

Ques: Remove Nth Node from End of List [Leetcode - 19]

Using Slow & Fast Pointers :

n = 3

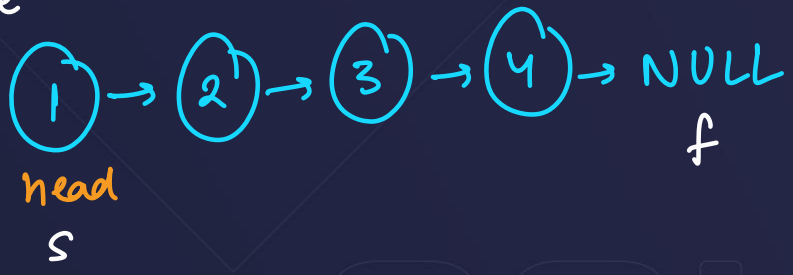
↓

f → 'n+1' steps aage le jao

```
for(int i=1; i<=n+1 ;i++){
|   fast = fast→next;
}
while (fast!=NULL){
|   slow = slow→next;
|   fast = fast→next;
}
slow→next = slow→next→next;
```

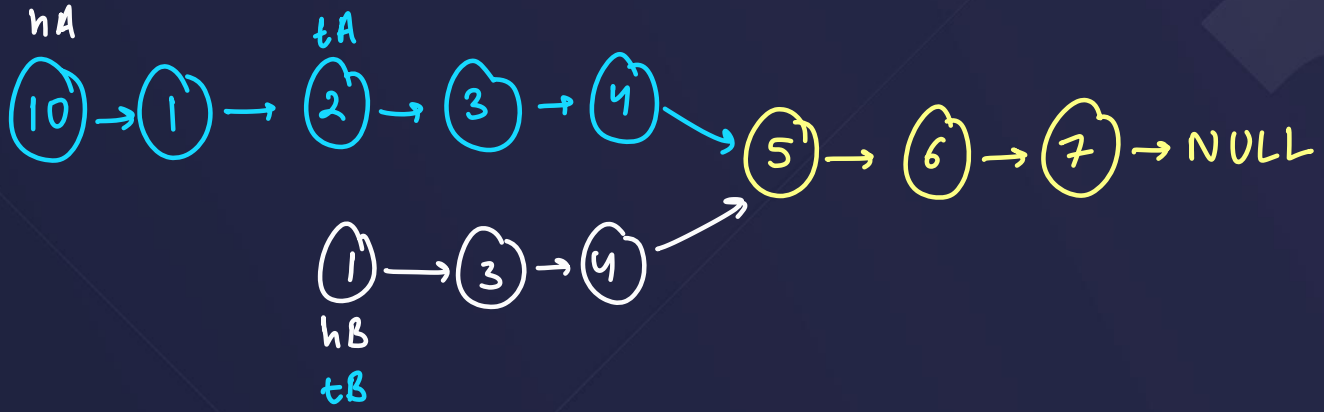
Ques: Remove Nth Node from End of List [Leetcode - 19]

fast → (n+1) aage



n = 4th node from last delete

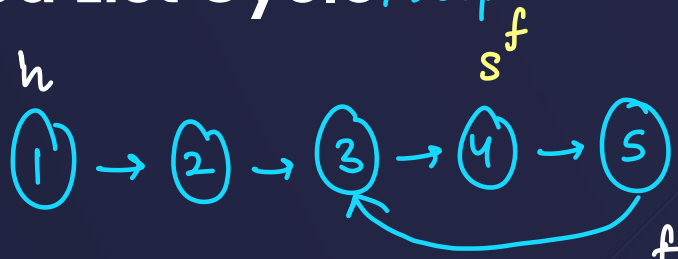
Ques: Intersection of two Linked Lists [Leetcode - 160]

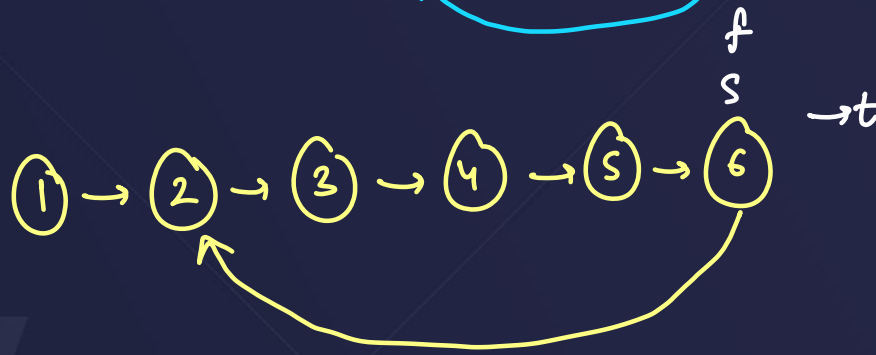


Hint : Find the lengths of both lists

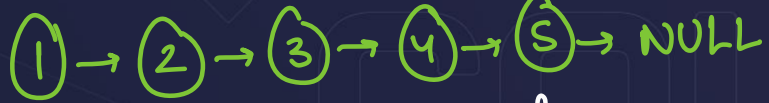
Steps → Larger list ke temp ko aage le aao such that |LA - LB|

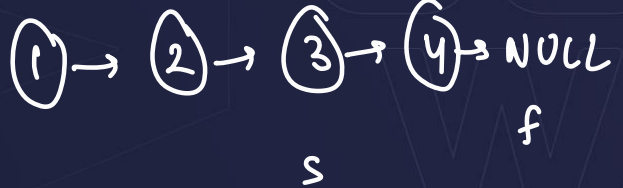
Ques: Linked List Cycle/Loop [Leetcode - 141]





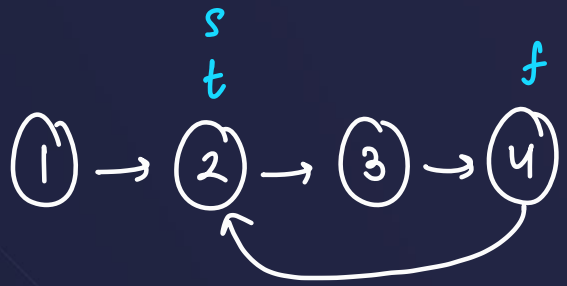
→there is a loop

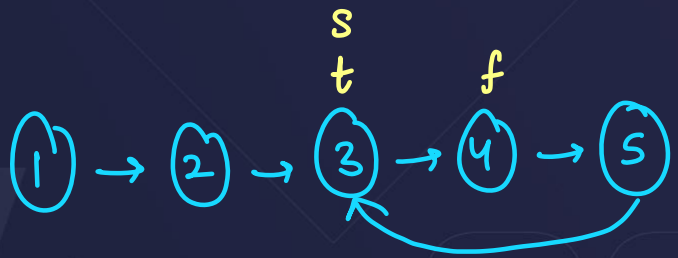




Ques: Linked List Cycle II

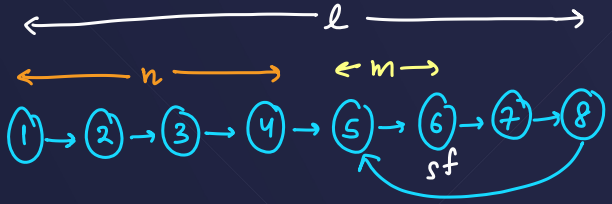
[Leetcode - 142]





Why is the slow & fast algo working ? (PROOF)

1) Slow is moving at 1 & Fast is moving at 2.



Distance travelled by slow
$= n + m$

Distance travelled by fast
$= l + m$

$\Rightarrow 2(n+m) = l+m$

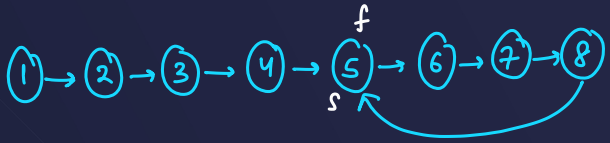
$\Rightarrow 2m + 2n = m + l$

$\Rightarrow \boxed{m = l - 2n}$ → this proofs

s → 1 2 3 4 5

f → 2 4 6 8 10

if s can find 'm' such sf are together, yes
Our method will work



Slow → 1x

fast → 2x, 3x, 4x, ...

'Maza aa gaya'

Next Lecture

More problems on Linked Lists!

Learning about the types of Linked Lists!

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