EECS2031 Software Tools

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  - Self-referential structures (extra)

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Dynamic memory allocation scenario / motivation 1

- What if we do not know how large our array should be?
- In other words, we need to be able to allocate memory at run-time (i.e. while the program is running)

- How?

```
int n;
scanf("%d", &n);
int my_array[n];   /* but not allowed in ANSI-C */
```

```
gcc -ansi -pedantic varArray.c
gcc -ansi -pedantic-errors varArray.c
   ISO C90 forbids variable length array 'my_array'
```

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Common library functions [Appendix of K+R]

<stdio.h>

```
printf()
scanf()
getchar()
putchar()

sscanf()
sprintf()

gets()  puts()
fgets()  fputs()

fprintf()
fscanf()
```

<string.h>

```
strlen(s)
strcpy(s,s)
strcat(s,s)
strcmp(s,s)
```

<math.h>

```
sin() cos()
exp()
log()
pow()
sqrt()
ceil()
floor()
```

<stdlib.h>

```
double atof(s)
int    atoi(s)
long   atol(s)
void    rand()
void   system()
void   exit()
int    abs(int)

void* malloc()
void* calloc()
void* realloc()
void  free()
```

<ctype.h>

```
int islower(int)
int isupper(int)
int isdigit(int)
int isxdigit(int)
int isalpha(int)

int tolower(int)
int toupper(int)
```

<assert.h>

```
assert()
```

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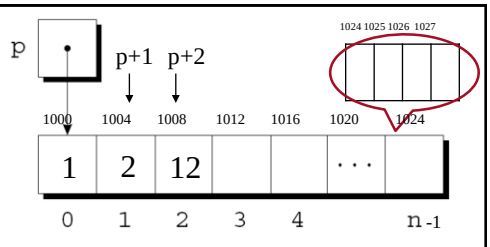
malloc()




```
#include <stdlib.h>

int main() {
  int n;  int *p;
  printf("Size of array: ");
  scanf("%d", &n);

  p = (int *)malloc(n * sizeof(int)); //or
  p = (int *)calloc(n , sizeof(int));
  if (p == NULL)
     exit(0);

  *p = 1;          // p[0] = 1
  *(p+1) = 2;      // p+1 = 1004  p[1]= 2
  *(p+2) = 12;     // p+2 = 1008  p[2] = 12
}                     pointer arithmetic!!!
  free (p);
```

4n bytes allocated.
n=7 28 bytes 1000~1027 allocated

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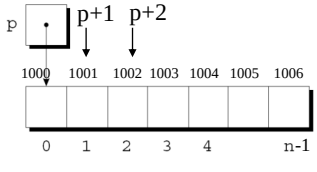
malloc()

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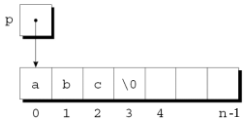
int main() {
  int n; char *p;
  printf("Size of array: ");
  scanf("%d", &n);
  p = (char *)malloc(n * sizeof(char)); //or
  p = (char *)calloc(n , sizeof(char));

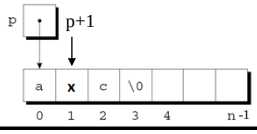
  if (p == NULL)
     exit(0);

  strcpy(p, "abc");

  *(p+1) = 'x';
}
```

n bytes allocated.
n=7 7 bytes 1000~1006 allocated





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More on memory allocation

- We know the syntax
- But when to use it ?????
  - When need to allocate at run time, of course
  - What else?
- Another feature of malloc -- request for heap space!


```c
#include <stdio.h>

void setArr (int);

int * arr[10]; // global, array of 10 int pointers

int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{

   setArr(1);


   printf("arr [%d] = %d\n", 1, *arr[1]);

   return 0;
}

/* set arr[index], which is a pointer,
to point to an integer of value 100 */
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   int i = 100;
   arr[index] = &i;
}
```
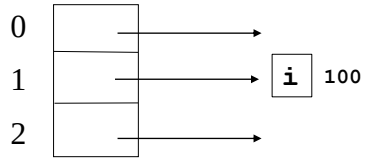



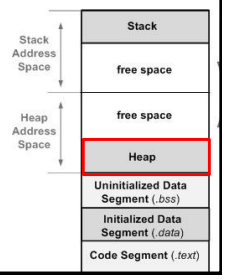
i is local variable, lifetime is block/function -- i is in stack, where it is deallocated when function exits !!!

Stack vs. heap

- Local (stack) memory, automatic
  - Allocated on function call, and deallocated automatically when function exits
- Dynamic heap memory
  - The heap is an area of memory available to allocate areas ("blocks") of memory for the program.
  - Not deallocated when function exits.

What we need!

- **Request a heap memory:**
  - malloc() / calloc() / realloc() in C
  - new in C++ and Java
    - Student s = new Student();
- **Deallocate from heap memory:**
  - free() in C
  - delete in C++
  - garbage collection in Java



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Correct implementation

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   return 0;
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   arr[index] = (int *) malloc(sizeof (int)); // malloc(4)


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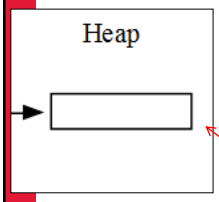

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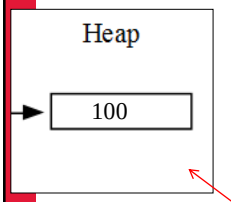
```

or `int i=100;  *(arr[index])=i;`



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Structures

- Basics: Declaration and assignment
- Structures and functions
- Pointer to structures
- Arrays of structures
- Self-referential structures (e.g., linked list, binary trees)

Structure Names

- Give a name (tag) to a struct, so we can reuse it:

```
struct shape {
  float width;
  float height;
};
```

`struct shape` is a valid type

```
struct shape chair, chair2;  /* int i, j */
struct shape table;

shape table;
```

Structures
access members, initialization, operations (. = &)

- use the "." operator to access members of a struct

```
chair.width = 10;
table.height = chair.width + 2;
```

Operator Type	Operator		Associativity
Primary Expression Operators	() [] . ->		left-to-right
Unary Operators	* & + - !~ ++ -- (typecast) sizeof		right-to-left
Binary Operators	* / %	arithmetic	left-to-right
	+ -	arithmetic	
	>> <<	bitwise	
	< > <= >=	relational	
	== !=	relational	

Structures
access members, initialization, operations (. = &)

```
struct shape {
    float width;
    float height;
};
struct shape chair = {2,4}; // approach 1
```

width height

```
struct shape chair;
chair.width = 2;
chair.height = 4;
```

approach 2

```
struct myshape {
  int data;
  float arr[3];
};
struct myshape s2 = {2, {1.5, 2.5}}; //approach 1
(s2.arr)[2] = 3.3;     // approach 2   set directly
```

associativity

Size of struct not necessarily the sum of its elements. Use sizeof()

Structures
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- use the "." operator to access members of a struct

```
chair.width = 10;
table.height = chair.width + 2;
```

- can also use assignment with struct variables (same type)

```
chair2 = chair; /* valid. But diff from Java! */
                /* copy members value  */
```

- can take address as well

```
&chair
```

Recall: Array cannot assign
arr2 = arr1

No `==` `!=` …

Structures
access members, initialization, operations (. = &)

```
struct shape chair = {2,4};
```

width height

```
struct shape chair2 = chair; // copy members values only
                             // different from Java
```

chair2.width = chair.width
chair2.height = chair.height

```
printf("%d %d", chair.width, chair2.width);
printf("%d %d", chair.height,chair2.height);
```

2 2 4 4

```
chair2.width = 20; // does not affect chair

printf("%d %d", chair.width, chair2.width);
```

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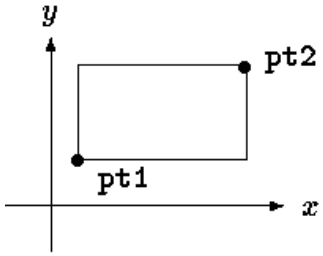
? What if an element is a pointer ?

Nested Structures

```
struct point {
  int x;
  int y; };

struct rect {
  struct point pt1;
  struct point pt2;
};

struct rect screen;
screen.pt1.x = 1;
screen.pt2.x = 8;
(screen.pt2).y = 7;
```



Associativity
left to right →

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Structure and functions
--Structures as arguments

- You can pass structures as arguments to functions

```
float get_area(struct shape d) // shape as argument
{
   return d.width * d.height;
}
```

- This is call-by-value -- a copy of the struct is made
  - **d** is a copy of the actual parameter (copy member values)
  - No starting address, no "decay"

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Structure and functions
--Structures as arguments

- You can pass structures as arguments to functions

```
void do_sth(struct shape d)
{
   d.width  += 100;
   d.height += 200;
}
main()  {
  struct shape  s = {1,2};
  do_sth(s) /*  s  is not modified  */
}
```

call-by-value
`d = s` // copy members
`d.width = s.width`
`d.height = s.height`

- This is call-by-value - a copy of the struct is made
  - Function cannot change the passed struct

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structure and functions

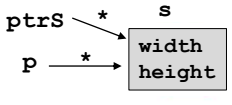
-- Structure Pointers

- call-by-value is inefficient for large structures: not decayed
  - use pointers (explicitly) !!!
- This also allows to change the passing struct

```
main(){
  struct shape s = {1,3};
  struct shape * ptrS = &s; // pointer to struct shape
  float f = get_area(ptrS); // float f = get_area(&s);
}
float get_area(struct shape *p)
{
   return (*p).width   *   (*p).height;
}
```

Expect a pointer to struct shape

Assess member via pointer



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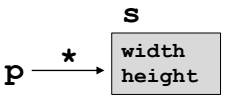
```
do_sth(&s);
```




```
void do_sth(struct shape * p)
{
    (*p).width  += 100;
    (*p).height += 200;
}
```

Pointee s is modified !

- This is call-by-value --- but address
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structure and functions

-- Structure Pointers

Operator Type	Operator
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Unary Operators	* & + - (typecast)

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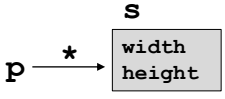

- Beware when accessing members a structure via its pointer

  `* p.width` --- incorrect
- Operator . takes higher precedence over operator *

  `(*p).width` --- correct

- Accessing member of a structure via its pointer is so common that it has its own operator

  `p -> width`

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structure and functions

-- Structure Pointers

```
(*p).width
 p -> width
```

} Equivalent

```
main(){
  struct shape s = {1,3};
  struct shape * ptrS = &s;
  do_sth (ptrS); // or do_sth (&s);
}

void do_sth(struct shape *p)
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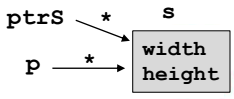
}
```

Expect a pointer to struct shape



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Precedence and Associativity p53

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	== !=	relational
	&	bitwise
	^	bitwise
	|	bitwise
	&&	logical
	||	logical
Ternary Operator	?:	
Assignment Operators	= += -= *= /= %= >>= <<= &= ^= |=	
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```
x -> data = 2;
x -> data += 2;
```

() never needed!

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Pointer to structures -- malloc/calloc

```
struct shape * ptable;  // pointer to struct shape

ptable = malloc (sizeof(struct shape));

// set struct members
ptable -> width = 1.0;  // (* ptable).width  = 1.0
ptable -> height = 5.0; // (* ptable).height = 5.0


or
ptable =(struct shape *) malloc (sizeof(struct shape));
```

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When to use? Few slides later

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Structures vs. Arrays

- Both are aggregate (non-scalar) types in C -- type of data that can be referenced as a single entity, and yet consists of more than one piece of data.
- Both cannot be compared using == != ✖

- Array: elements are of same type
  Structure: elements can be of different type
- Array: element accessed by [index/position] `arr[1] = 3;`
  Structure: element accessed by .name `chair.width = 4`
- Array: cannot assign as a whole `arr2 = arr1` ✖
  Structure: can assign/copy as a whole `chair2 = chair1`
  Different from Java
- Array: size is the sum of size of elements
  Structure: size not necessarily the sum of size of elements
- Array: decay to pointer when passed to function, can modify
  Structure: need '&' to modify (like scalar types int, char, float etc)

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Structures

- Basics: Declaration and assignment
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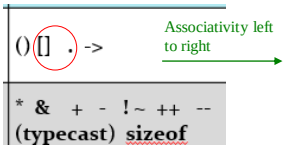
- Self-referential structures (e.g., linked list, binary trees)

Array of structures -- Initialization

```
struct shape chairs[] = {
                    {1.4, 2.0},
                    {0.3, 1.0},
                    {2.3, 2.0} };

struct shape chairs[10]; //chairs[n] is a struc.
chairs[0].height = 1.4;
(chairs[0]).width =  2.0;
.....
float x = chairs[3].height;
```




```
struct shape * chairsA[10];
```

what is chairsA

Structures

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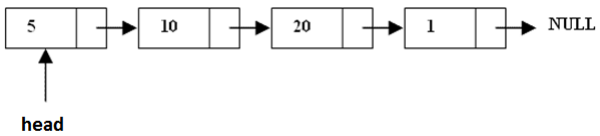
- Arrays of structures
- Self-referential structures (last topic in C)
  - Structure + pointer to structure + malloc/calloc
  - e.g., linked list, binary trees

Self-referential structures

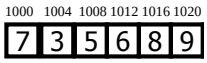
- Linked list, trees
- Linked list
  - alternative to Array
  - more flexible than array – can easily insert, delete
  - lost the *O(1)* access in Array, as not stored sequentially. Have to follow the link. Farther ones cost more than closer ones
- Simplest example: a linked list of int's



List

- Array based list

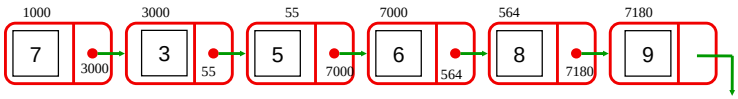
arr[i] = *(arr+i)



O(1) access

arr[3]? Content at 1000+3*4

- Linked-based list



O(n) access

get(3)?

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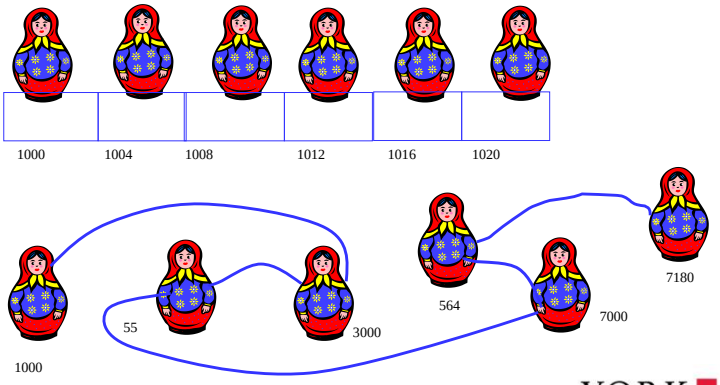
Array-based vs. linked list



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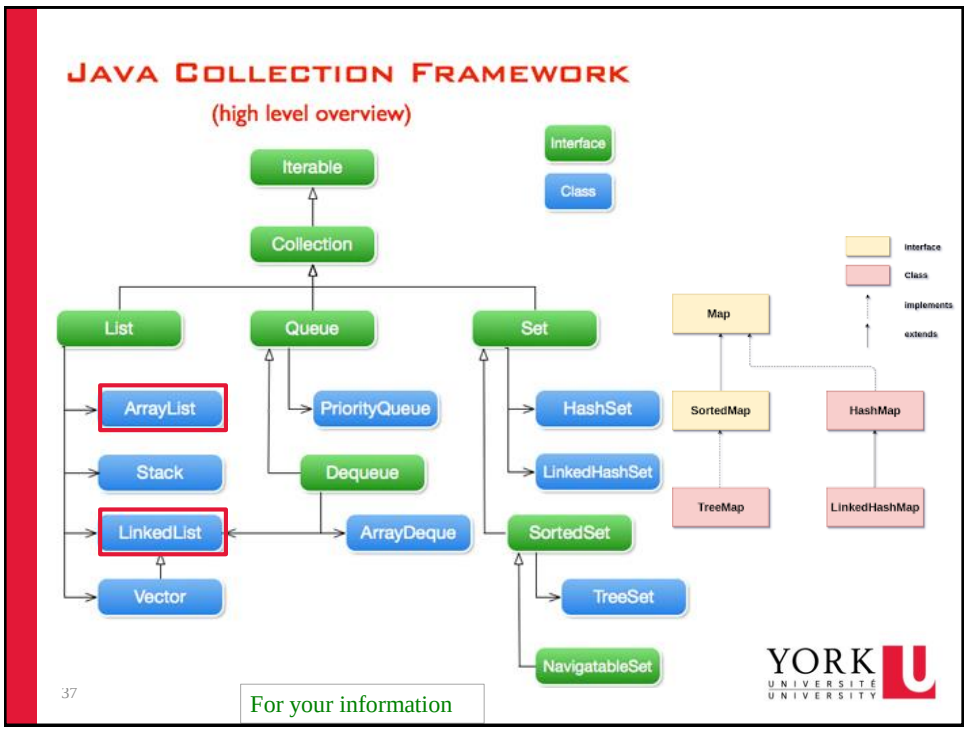

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```
class Node {
    public int data1;
    public double data2;
    public Node nextLink;

    //Link constructor
    public Node(int d1, double d2) {
            data1 = d1;
            data2 = d2;
    }
```

How to implement in Java?

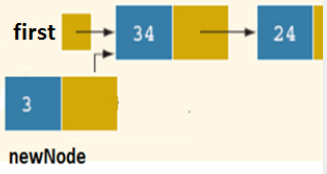
```
class LinkList {
    private Node first;

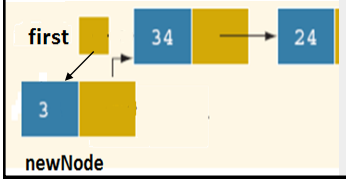
    //LinkList constructor
    public LinkList() {
            first = null;
    }

    //Returns true if list is empty
    public boolean isEmpty() {
            return first == null;
    }

    //Inserts a new Link at the first of the list
    public void insert(int d1, double d2) {
            Node newN = new Node(d1, d2);
            newN.nextLink = first;
            first = newN;
    }
```

Order matters!





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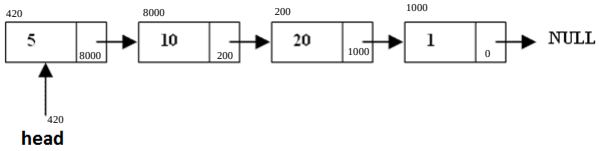
Self referential structures in C

- Simplest example: a linked list of integers

```
struct node {
  int data;
  struct node *next; //pointer to struct node
};

struct node * head;  // a pointer to first node
```



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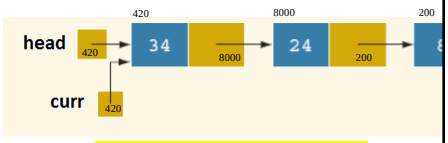
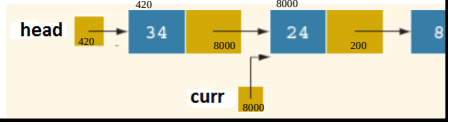
traverse the list example 1

```
struct node * head;  // assume global

//whether the list contains a node with data 'dat'
int has_value(int dat)
{
  struct node * curr;     // a local pointer

  /* traverse the list */
  curr = head;
  while (curr != NULL){
    if ( curr -> data == dat ) //(*curr).data == dat
        return 1; // find it!
    curr = curr -> next;  // curr = (*curr).next  8000
  }  //pointer assignment
  return 0;
}
```





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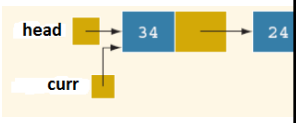
traverse the list example 1

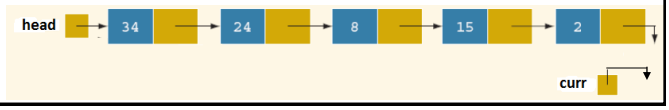
for loop

```
struct node * head;

int has_value(int dat)
{
  struct node * curr;      // a local pointer

 /* traverse the list */
  for(curr = head; curr!=NULL; curr=curr -> next)
  {   if (curr -> data == dat)
        return 1;    /* find it!  */
  }
  return 0;
}
```





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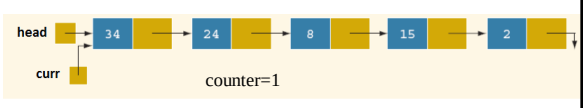
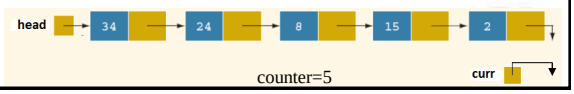
traverse the list example 2

```
struct node * head;

// # of node in the list
int len()
{
  struct node * curr = head;   // a local pointer
  int counter = 0;
  /* traverse the list */
  while(curr != NULL){
      counter ++;
      curr = curr -> next; // curr = (*curr).next
  }
  return counter;
}
```





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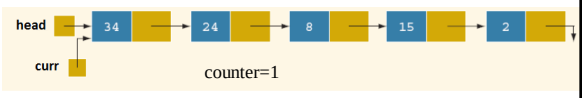
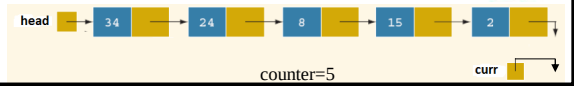
traverse the list example 2

for loop

```
struct node * head;

int len()
{
  struct node * curr;   // a local pointer
  int counter = 0;
 /* traverse the list */
  for(curr = head; curr!=NULL; curr=curr -> next)
      counter ++;
  return counter;
}
```





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Insert into the list example1

```
public void insert(int d1, double d2)
        Node newN = new Node(d1, d2);
        newN.nextLink = first;
        first = newN;
```

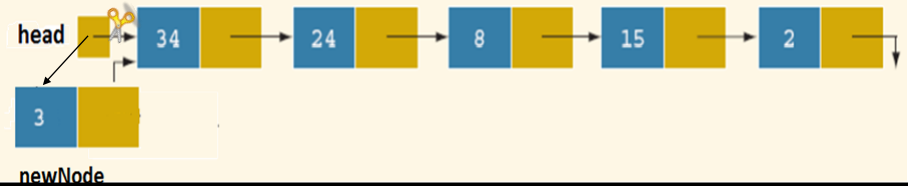
```
struct node * head;

void  insert_begining(int dat)
{
    struct node newNode;
     newNode.data = dat;

    newNode.next = head;

    head = &newNode;
}
```

newNode
is in stack!



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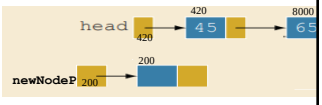
Insert into the list example1

```
struct node * head;

void  insert_begining(int dat)
{
   struct node * newNodeP;
   newNodeP = malloc(sizeof(struct node));
```



request space in heap !!!

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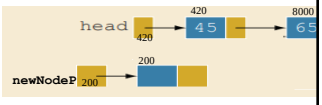
Insert into the list example1

```
struct node * head;

void  insert_begining(int dat)
{
   struct node * newNodeP;
   newNodeP = malloc(sizeof(struct node));

   newNodeP -> data = dat;// (*newNodeP).data = dat;
```



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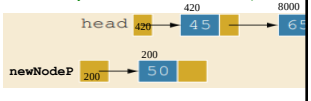

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Insert into the list example1

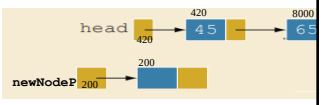
```
struct node * head;

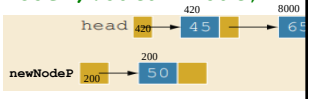
void  insert_begining(int dat)
{
  struct node * newNodeP;
  newNodeP = malloc(sizeof(struct node));

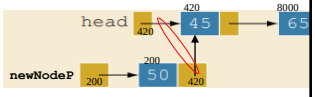
  newNodeP -> data = dat;// (*newNodeP).data = dat;


  newNodeP -> next = head;//(*newNodeP).next = head
```

request space in heap !!!







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Insert into the list example1

```
struct node * head;

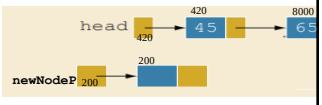
void  insert_begining(int dat)
{
  struct node * newNodeP;
  newNodeP = malloc(sizeof(struct node));

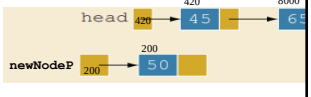
  newNodeP -> data = dat;// (*newNodeP).data = dat;

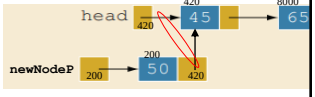

  newNodeP -> next = head;//(*newNodeP).next = head

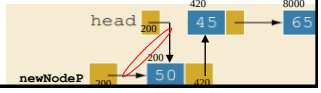

  head = newNodeP;
}
```

request space in heap !!!









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```
void  insert_begining(50)

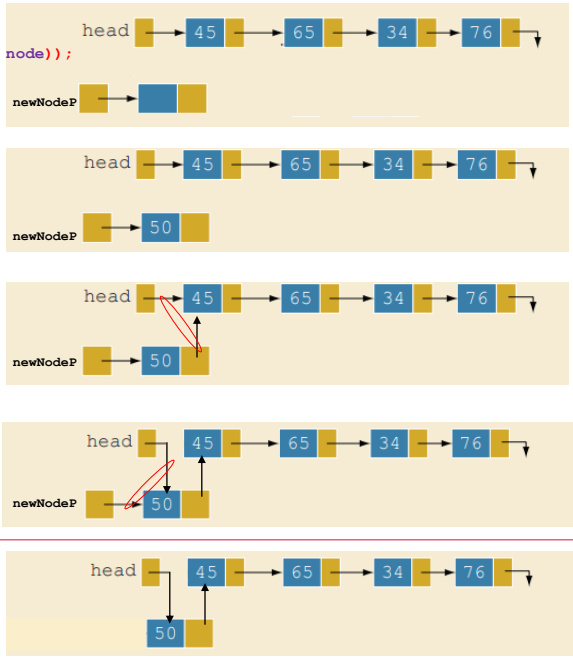
struct node * newNodeP;
newNodeP = malloc(sizeof(struct node));

newNodeP -> data = dat;

newNodeP -> next = head;

head = newNodeP;

After function returns
```



Order matters!

49 newNodeP is on stack

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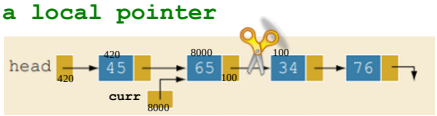
Insert into the list example2

```
insertAfter(1,50);

struct node * head;
// insert a new node with data 'dat' after the node of position 'index'
int insertAfter(int index, int dat) // assume list is not empty
{
   struct node * curr = head;  // a local pointer
   int i;

  /* traverse the list */
  for(i = 0; i<index; i++)
    curr = curr -> next;

  /* insert after curr */
```



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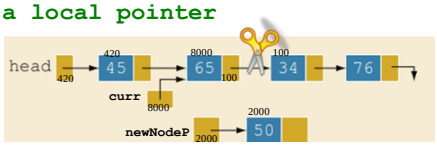
Insert into the list example2

```
insertAfter(1,50);
struct node * head;
// insert a new node with data 'dat' after the node of position 'index'
int insertAfter(int index, int dat) // assume list is not empty
{
   struct node * curr = head;  // a local pointer
   int i;

  /* traverse the list */
  for(i = 0; i<index; i++)
    curr = curr -> next;

  /* insert after curr */
  struct node * newNodeP = malloc(sizeof(struct node));
  newNodeP -> data = dat;  //   (*newNodeP).data = dat;
```



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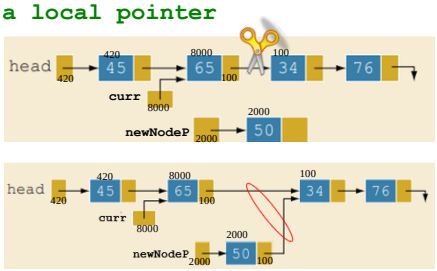
Insert into the list example2

```
insertAfter(1,50);
struct node * head;
// insert a new node with data 'dat' after the node of position 'index'
int insertAfter(int index, int dat) // assume list is not empty
{
   struct node * curr = head;  // a local pointer
   int i;

  /* traverse the list */
  for(i = 0; i<index; i++)
    curr = curr -> next;

  /* insert after curr */
  struct node * newNodeP = malloc(sizeof(struct node));
  newNodeP -> data = dat;  //   (*newNodeP).data = dat;

  newNodeP -> next = curr -> next; //(*newNodeP).next=(*curr).next;
```



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Insert into the list example2

`insertAfter(1,50);`

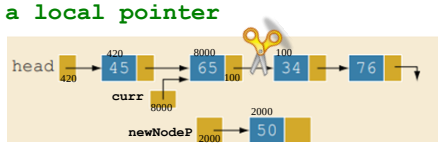
```
struct node * head;
// insert a new node with data 'dat' after the node of position 'index'
int insertAfter(int index, int dat) // assume list is not empty
{
   struct node * curr = head;  // a local pointer
   int i;

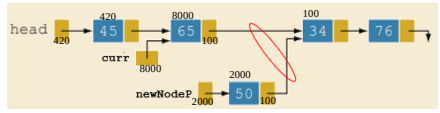
  /* traverse the list */
  for(i = 0; i<index; i++)
    curr = curr -> next;

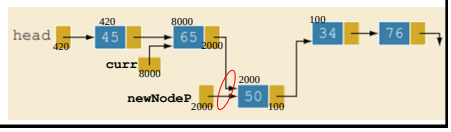
  /* insert after curr */
  struct node * newNodeP = malloc(sizeof(struct node));
  newNodeP -> data = dat;  //   (*newNodeP).data = dat;

  newNodeP -> next = curr -> next; //(*newNodeP).next=(*curr).next;
  curr -> next = newNodeP;

}53// if list empty, need to
    change head
```







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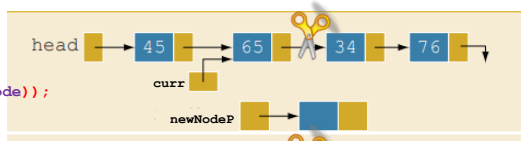
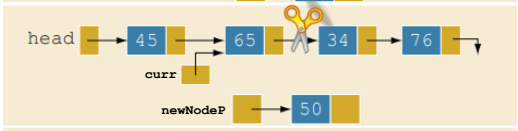
int insertAfter(1, 50)

```
struct node * newNodeP;
newNodeP = malloc(sizeof(struct node));
```




```
newNodeP -> data = dat;
```




```
newNodeP -> next = curr -> next;
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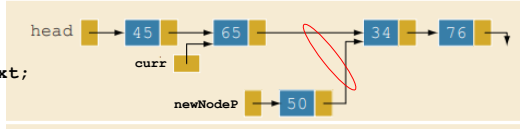
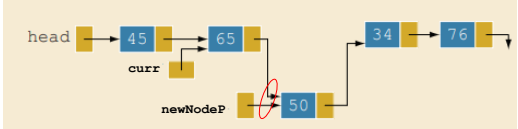


Order matters!

```
curr -> next = newNodeP;
```



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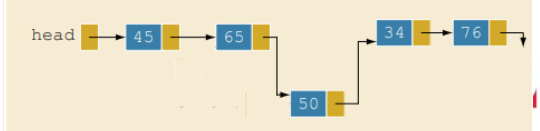

54 curr, newNodeP are on stack

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Topics that we did not get to cover
-- might be useful in your future studies

- const
- Union, enum, typedef
- Library functions, e.g., memset(), strtok()
- Pointer to whole arrays, int (* arr) [] [][] decayed to
- Pointer to functions
- Stream IO Ch7 e.g., read/write disk files
- System calls Ch 8 (fork, pipe … read, write)
  - You will deal with them if you take EECS3221 Operating Systems.
- Others
  - Make file **make**
  - gdb and testing

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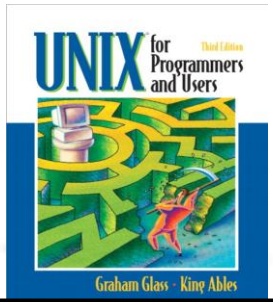
- That's all for C for this course
- Now we have to start a new book, a new programming language …..
- Let's do it now!



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