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Module 11: Linked Lists

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Lecture Plan

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1	01.09	Introduction	
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6	06.10	Classes and Objects	4.1, 4.2 and 9.1, 9.2
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7	20.10	Templates	4.1, 11.1
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* Recall that the book uses sometimes ad-hoc libraries that are slightly different with respect to the standard libraries (e.g., strings and vectors).

Recursive Data Types

Many mathematical entities can be recursively defined:

- a natural number is 0, or the successor of a natural number
- a set can be empty, a singleton, or the union of two sets

Similarly, many data types can be recursively defined:

- a list can be empty, one item, or the concatenation of two lists
- a tree can be empty, one leaf node, or an internal node with two sub-trees
- ...

Linked Lists

Recursive Definition

```
struct Node {
    int content;
    Node *next;
}
```

A `Node` has some content and points to a `Node`

A list can be then just a pointer to a `Node` (i.e., `*Node`)

- A `nullptr` represents an empty list
- Otherwise, the pointer points to the first node of the list

Important: do not forget to initialize your pointers!

Linked Lists

Live Programming + Examples

In previous lectures we saw an example of how to implement a...

- vector class based on arrays

This week we are going to see examples on how to implement a...

- vector class based on linked lists
- set class based on linked lists

Note: linked lists are provided by the STL. See:
http://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/container/list

Array vs. Lists

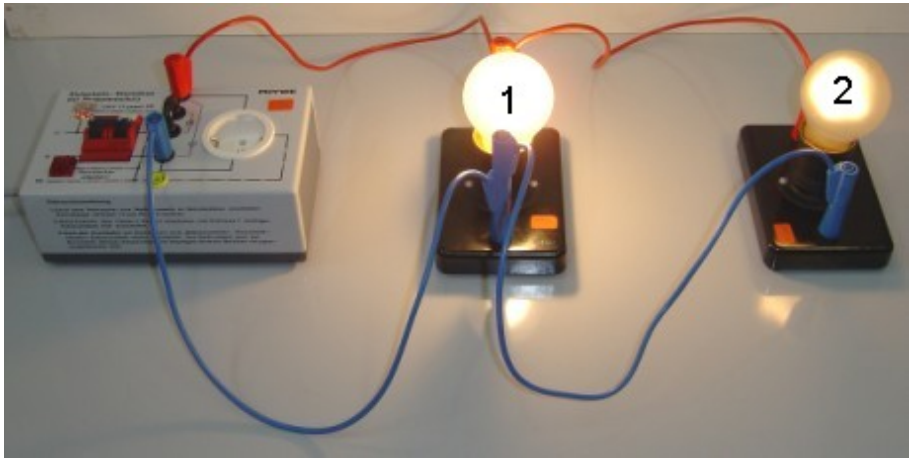
	Array	*List*
Iterative Access	$O(1)$	$O(1)$
Random Access	$O(1)$	$O(n)$
Insert/Delete	$O(n)$	$O(1)$[1]
Insert/Delete at end	$O(1)$[2]	$O(n)$

[1] given pointer to node before insertion/deletion

[2] amortized

Doubly-linked Lists

Some annoyances of single-linked lists: delete a pointed element, concatenate two lists, etc.
One possible solution: doubly-linked lists



Implementation	*Insert head*	*Concat*	*Reverse*
Concatenation by connecting the tail of one list with head of other list.	$O(1)$	$O(1)$	$O(N)$

Doubly-Linked Lists

Recursive Definition

```
struct Node {
    int content;
    Node *prev;
    Node *next;
}
```

A Node has some content and points to two Nodes: the previous one and the next one in the list

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