DATA STRUCTURES AND ALGORITHMS LECTURE 5

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In Lecture 4...

Binary Heap

Singly Linked List

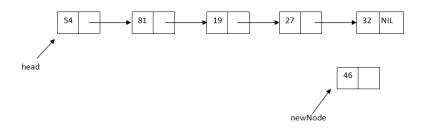
- Insert at the beginning
- Insert after a node

Today

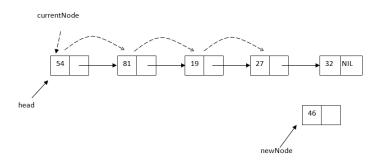
- Linked Lists
 - Singly Linked Lists
 - Doubly Linked Lists

- 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 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.

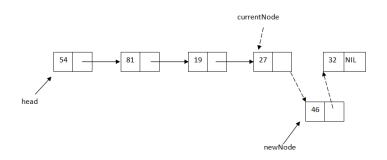
• We want to insert element 46 at position 5.



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



 Now we insert after node currentNode (like in the previous case, when we already had the node).



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      @error, invalid position
   else if pos = 1 then //we want to insert at the beginning
      insertFirst(sll, elem)
   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
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   insertAfter(sll, currentNode, elem)
   else
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   end-if
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end-subalgorithm
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Complexity: O(n)

 Since we only have access to the head of the list, if we want to get an element from a position p we have to go through the list, node-by-node until we get to the pth node.

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      currentPos \leftarrow 1
      while currentPos < pos and currentNode ≠ NIL execute
         currentNode \leftarrow [currentNode].next
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      if currentNode \neq NIL then
         elem \leftarrow [currentNode].info
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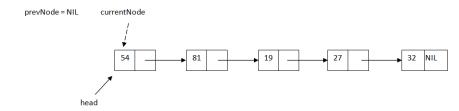
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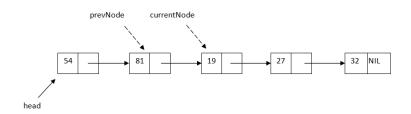
Complexity:Θ(1)

- When we want to delete a node from the middle of the list (either a node with a given element, or a node from a position), we need to find the node before the one we want to delete.
- The simplest way to do this, is to walk through the list using two pointers: currentNode and prevNode (the node before currentNode). We will stop when currentNode points to the node we want to delete.

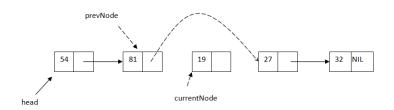
• Suppose we want to delete the node with information 19.



 Move with the two pointers until currentNode is the node we want to delete.



• Delete currentNode by jumping over it



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      prevNode \leftarrow currentNode
      currentNode \leftarrow [currentNode].next
   end-while
   if prevNode = NIL then //we delete the head
      currentNode \leftarrow deleteFirst(sll)
   else if currentNode ≠ NIL then
      [prevNode].next ← [currentNode].next
      [currentNode].next \leftarrow NIL
   end-if
   deleteFlement ← currentNode
end-function
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SLL - Other operations

- Insert element at the end of the list walk through the list until we find the last node, add a new node after it
- Delete element from the end of the list walk through the list (with two nodes) until we find the last node, and delete it.
- Get length of the list walk through the list and count how many nodes it has

SLL - Iterator

- How can we define an iterator for a SLL?
- Remember, an iterator needs a reference to a current element from the data structure it iterates over. How can we denote a current element for a SLL?

SLL - Iterator

 In case of a SLL, the current element from the iterator is actually a node of the list.

SLLIterator:

list: SLL

currentElement: ↑ SLLNode

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//post: it' is a SLLIterator, the current element from it' refers to
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  it.currentElement ← [it.currentElement].next
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//post: true if it is valid, false otherwise
if it.currentElement ≠ NIL then
   valid ← True
   else
    valid ← False
   end-if
end-subalgorithm
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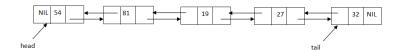
Iterating through all the elements of a sll

- Similar to the DynamicArray, if we want to go through all the elements of a singly linked list, we have two options:
 - Use an iterator
 - Use a for loop and the getElement subalgorithm
- What is the complexity of the two approaches?

Doubly Linked Lists - DLL

- A doubly linked list is similar to a singly linked list, but the nodes have references to the address of the previous node as well (besides the next link, we have a prev link as well).
- If we have a node from a DLL, we can go to the next node or to the previous one: we can walk through the elements of the list in both directions.
- The *prev* link of the first element is set to *NIL* (just like the *next* link of the last element).

Example of a Doubly Linked List



• Example of a doubly linked list with 5 nodes.

Doubly Linked List - Representation

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DLL:

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head: ↑ DLLNode tail: ↑ DLLNode
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DLL - Operations

- We can have the same operations on a DLL that we had on a SLL:
 - search for an element with a given value
 - add an element (to the beginning, to the end, to a given position, etc.)
 - delete an element (from the beginning, from the end, from a given positions, etc.)
 - get an element from a position
- Some of the operations have the exact same implementation as for SLL (e.g. search, get element), other have similar implementations. In general, we need to modify more links and have to pay attention to the tail node.

DLL - Insert at the end

• Inserting a new element at the end of a DLL is simple, because we have the *tail* of the list, we no longer have to walk through all the elements.

```
subalgorithm insertLast(dll, elem) is:
//pre: dll is a DLL, elem is TElem
//post: elem is added to the end of dll
   newNode ← allocate() //allocate a new DLLNode
   [newNode].info \leftarrow elem
   [newNode].next \leftarrow NIL
   [newNode].prev \leftarrow dll.tail
  if dll.head = NIL then //the list is empty
      dll head ← newNode
      dll.tail \leftarrow newNode
   else
      [dll.tail].next \leftarrow newNode
      dll tail ← newNode
   end-if
end-subalgorithm
```

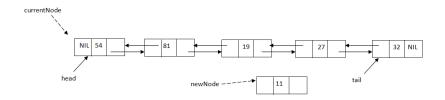
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DLL - Insert on position

- The basic principle of inserting a new element at a given position is the same as in case of SLL.
- The main difference is that we need to set more links (we have the prev links as well) and we have to check whether we modify the tail of the list.
- In case of SLL we had to stop at the node after which we wanted to insert an element, in case of DLL we can stop before or after the node (but we have to decide in advance, because this decision influences the special cases we need to test).

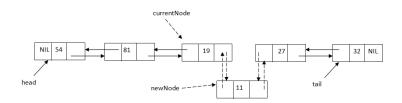
DLL - Insert on position

• Let's insert value 46 at the 4th position in the following list:



DLL - Insert on position

 We move with the currentNode to position 3, and set the 4 links.



DLL - Insert at a position

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//post: elem will be inserted on position pos in dll
   if pos < 1 then
      @ error, invalid position
   else if pos = 1 then
      insertFirst(dll, elem)
   else
      currentNode ← dll.head
      currentPos \leftarrow 1
      while currentNode \neq NIL and currentPos < pos - 1 execute
         currentNode \leftarrow [currentNode].next
         currentPos \leftarrow currentPos + 1
      end-while
//continued on the next slide...
```

DLL - Insert at position

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if currentNode = NII then
          @error, invalid position
      else if currentNode = dll.tail then
          insertLast(dll, elem)
      else
          newNode \leftarrow alocate()
          [newNode].info \leftarrow elem
          [newNode].next \leftarrow [currentNode].next
          [newNode].prev \leftarrow currentNode
          [[currentNode].next].prev \leftarrow newNode
          [currentNode].next \leftarrow newNode
      end-if
   end-if
end-subalgorithm
```

• Complexitate: O(n)

DLL - Insert at a position

- Observations regarding the *insertPosition* subalgorithm:
 - We did not implement the insertFirst subalgorithm, but we suppose it exists.
 - The order in which we set the links is important: reversing the setting of the last two links will lead to a problem with the list.
 - It is possible to use two *currentNodes*: after we found the node after which we insert a new element, we can do the following:

```
nodeAfter ← currentNode
nodeBefore ← [currentNode].next
//now we insert between nodeAfter and nodeBefore
[newNode].next ← nodeBefore
[newNode].prev ← nodeAfter
[nodeBefore].prev ← newNode
[nodeAfter].next ← newNode
```

DLL - Delete from the beginning

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function deleteFirst(dll) is:
//pre: dll is a DLL
//post: the first node is removed and returned
   deletedNode \leftarrow NIL
   if dll.head ≠ NIL then
      deletedNode \leftarrow dll.head
      if dll.head = dll.tail then
         dll head ← NII
         dll.tail \leftarrow NII
      else
         dll.head \leftarrow [dll.head].next
          [dll.head].prev \leftarrow NIL
      end-if
   @set links of deletedNode to NIL
   deleteFirst ← deletedNode
end-function
```

DLL - Delete from the beginning

• Complexity of *deleteFirst*: $\Theta(1)$

DLL - Delete a given element

- If we want to delete a node with a given element, we first have to find the node:
 - we can use the search function (discussed at SLL, but it is the same here as well)
 - we can walk through the elements of the list until we find the node with the element (this is implemented below)

DLL - Delete a given element

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function deleteElement(dll, elem) is:
//pre: dll is a DLL, elem is a TElem
//post: the node with element elem will be removed and returned
   currentNode ← dll head
   while currentNode \neq NIL and [currentNode].info \neq elem execute
      currentNode \leftarrow [currentNode].next
   end-while
   deletedNode \leftarrow currentNode
   if currentNode \neq NIL then
      if currentNode = dll.head then
         deleteElement \leftarrow deleteFirst(dII)
      else if currentNode = dll tail then
         deleteElement \leftarrow deleteLast(dll)
      else
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DLL - Delete a given element

```
[[currentNode].next].prev ← [currentNode].prev
[[currentNode].prev].next ← [currentNode].next
@set links of deletedNode to NIL
end-if
end-if
deleteElement ← deletedNode
end-function
```

- Complexity: O(n)
- If we used the *search* algorithm to find the node to delete, the complexity would still be O(n) *deleteElement* would be $\Theta(1)$, but searching is O(n)

DLL - Iterator

- The iterator for a DLL is identical to the iterator for the SLL (but *currentNode* is *DLLNode* not *SLLNode*).
- In case of a DLL it is easy to define a bi-directional iterator:
 - Besides the operations for the unidirectional iterator, we need another operation: previous.
 - It would be useful to define two operations: *first* and *last* to set the iterator to the head/tail of the list.

Think about it

- How could we define a bi-directional iterator for a SLL? What would be the complexity of the previous operation?
- How could we define a bi-directional iterator for a SLL if we know that the *previous* operation will never be called twice consecutively (two consecutive calls for the *previous* operation will always be divided by at least one call to the *next* operation)? What would be the complexity of the operations?