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Sort Binary Linked List

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Problem Description

Given a Linked List **A** consisting of **N** nodes.  
The Linked List is binary i.e data values in the linked list nodes consist of only **0**'s and **1**'s.  
You need to sort the linked list and return the new linked list.  
**NOTE:**

- Try to do it in constant space.

Problem Constraints

$1 \leq N \leq 10^5$

All Problems

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Time taken: 4 min

Score: 200 / 200

C++17 (Gcc-9.2)

```
8
9
10 ListNode* Solution::solve(ListNode* A)
11 {
12     int z=0;
13     ListNode *t=A;
14     while(t)
15     {
16         if(t->val==0) z++;
17         t=t->next;
18     }
19     t=A;
20     while(t)
21     {
22         if(z)
23         {
24             t->val=0;
25             z--;
26         }
27         else
28         {
29             t->val=1;
30             t=t->next;
31         }
32     }
33     return A;
34 }
```

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Asked In: ■■

Problem Description

Given a linked list **A** and a value **B**, partition it such that all nodes less than **B** come before nodes greater than or equal to **B**.  
You should preserve the original relative order of the nodes in each of the two partitions.

Problem Constraints

$1 \leq |A| \leq 10^6$   
 $1 \leq A[i], B \leq 10^9$

All Problems

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Time taken: 3 min

Score: 274 / 275

C++17 (Gcc-9.2)

```
9
10 ListNode* Solution::partition(ListNode* A, int B)
11 {
12     ListNode *head=A;
13     ListNode *ans=new ListNode(-1);
14     ListNode *td=ans;
15     while(head)
16     {
17         if(head->val < B)
18         {
19             ans->next=new ListNode(head->val);
20             ans=ans->next;
21         }
22         head=head->next;
23     }
24     head=A;
25     while(head)
26     {
27         if(head->val >= B)
28         {
29             ans->next=new ListNode(head->val);
30             ans=ans->next;
31         }
32         head=head->next;
33     }
34     return td->next;
35 }
```

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Asked In: 

Sort a linked list using insertion sort.

We have explained Insertion Sort at Slide 7 of Arrays

Insertion Sort Wiki has some details on Insertion Sort as well.

Example:

Input : 1 -> 3 -> 2

Return 1 -> 2 -> 3

Note: You only need to implement the given function. Do not read input, instead use the arguments to the function. Do not print the output, instead return values as specified. Still have a question? Checkout Sample Codes for more details.

Time taken: 3 min

Score: 280 / 300

C++17 (Gcc-9.2)

```
9 ListNode* Solution::insertionSortList(ListNode* A)
10 {
11     ListNode *head=A;
12     vector<int> v;
13     while(head)
14     {
15         v.push_back(head->val);
16         head=head->next;
17     }
18
19     sort(begin(v),end(v));
20
21     int i=0;
22     head=A;
23
24     while(head)
25     {
26         head->val=v[i++];
27         head=head->next;
28     }
29
30     return A;
31 }
32
```

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Asked In: 

Sort a linked list in  $O(n \log n)$  time using constant space complexity.

Example:

Input : 1 -> 5 -> 4 -> 3

Returned list : 1 -> 3 -> 4 -> 5

Note: You only need to implement the given function. Do not read input, instead use the arguments to the function. Do not print the output, instead return values as specified. Still have a question? Checkout Sample Codes for more details.

39931 successful submissions.

Time taken: 6 hours +

Score: 105 / 350

C++17 (Gcc-9.2)

```
1 /**
2  * Definition for singly-linked list.
3  * struct ListNode {
4  *     int val;
5  *     ListNode *next;
6  *     ListNode(int x) : val(x), next(NULL) {}
7  * };
8  */
9 ListNode* Solution::sortList(ListNode* A)
10 {
11     vector<int> ans;
12
13     while( A )
14     {
15         ans.push_back( A->val);
16         A=A->next;
17     }
18
19     sort(ans.begin(),ans.end());
20
21     ListNode *head = new ListNode(-1);
22     ListNode *td=head;
23
24     for(int i : ans)
25     {
26         head->next = new ListNode(i);
27         head=head->next;
28     }
29
30     return td->next;
31 }
```

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Kth Node From Middle

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Asked In: a

Problem Description

Given a linked list **A** of length **N** and an integer **B**.  
You need to find the value of the **B<sup>th</sup>** node from the middle towards the beginning of the Linked List **A**.  
If no such element exists, then return **-1**.  
**NOTE:**

- Position of middle node is:  $(N/2)+1$ , where **N** is the total number of nodes in the list.

Problem Constraints

Time taken: 7 min

Score: 198 / 200

C++17 (Gcc-9.2)

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```
9 int Solution::solve(ListNode* A, int B)
10 {
11     ListNode *slow = A, *fast=A;
12     int count=1;
13
14     while(fast->next && fast->next->next)
15     {
16         slow=slow->next;
17         fast=fast->next->next;
18         count++;
19     }
20
21     if(fast->next)
22         count++;
23
24     if(count-B-1 < 0)
25         return -1;
26
27     int p=count-B-1;
28
29     while(p-->0)
30         A=A->next;
31
32     return A->val;
33 }
34
35
```

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Reverse Alternate K Nodes

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Problem Description

Given a linked list **A** of length **N** and an integer **B**.  
You need to reverse every alternate **B** nodes in the linked list **A**.

Problem Constraints

- $1 \leq N \leq 10^5$
- $1 \leq \text{Value in Each Link List Node} \leq 10^3$
- $1 \leq B \leq N$
- N** is divisible by **B**

Time taken: 3 min

Score: 300 / 300

C++17 (Gcc-9.2)

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Custom Input

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```
8 /*
9 ListNode* Solution::solve(ListNode* A, int k)
10 {
11     vector<int> v;
12     ListNode *head=A;
13
14     while(head)
15     {
16         v.push_back(head->val);
17         head=head->next;
18     }
19
20     for(int i=0; i<v.size(); i=i+k+k)
21         reverse(v.begin()+i,v.begin()+i+k);
22
23     head=A;
24
25     for(int i=0; i<v.size(); i++)
26     {
27         head->val=v[i];
28         head=head->next;
29     }
30
31     return A;
32 }
33
```

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Reverse Link List II

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Reverse a linked list from position m to n. Do it in-place and in one-pass.

For example:

Given 1->2->3->4->5->NULL, m = 2 and n = 4,

return 1->4->3->2->5->NULL.

Note:

Given m, n satisfy the following condition:

$1 \leq m \leq n \leq \text{length of list.}$

Note 2:

Usually the version often seen in the interviews is reversing the whole list. But the challenge is to reverse only a part of the list.

Time taken: 6 hours +

Score: 135 / 450

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Asked In:

Given a singly linked list

$L: L_0 \rightarrow L_1 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow L_{n-1} \rightarrow L_n,$

reorder it to:

$L_0 \rightarrow L_n \rightarrow L_1 \rightarrow L_{n-1} \rightarrow L_2 \rightarrow L_{n-2} \rightarrow \dots$

You must do this in-place without altering the nodes' values.

For example,

Given {1, 2, 3, 4}, reorder it to {1, 4, 2, 3}.

Note: You only need to implement the given function. Do not read input, instead use the arguments to the function. Do not print the output, instead return values as specified. Still have a question? Checkout Sample Codes for more details.

Time taken: 7 min

Score: 593 / 600

C++17 (Gcc-9.2)

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Custom Input

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```
5 ListNode *cur=h,*pre=NULLptr,*next=NULLptr;
6 while(cur)
7 {
8     next=cur->next;
9     cur->next=pre;
10    pre=cur;
11    cur=next;
12 }
13 return pre;
14 }
15 ListNode* Solution::reverseBetween(ListNode* head, int left, int right)
16 {
17     if(head==NULLptr || head->next==NULLptr) return head;
18     ListNode *temp=head;
19     ListNode *start=NULLptr,*end=NULLptr;
20     ListNode *ans=new ListNode(-1);
21     ListNode *td=ans;
22     for(int i=1;i<left;i++)
23     {
24         temp=temp->next;
25         start=temp;
26     }
27     for(int i=left;i<right;i++)
28     {
29         ds=ds->next;
30         if(ds->next)
31         {
32             end=ds->next;
33             ds->next=NULLptr;
34         }
35     }
36     start=reverse(start);
37     temp=head;
```

```
8 /*
9
10 ListNode *find_mid(ListNode *h)
11 {
12     ListNode *s=h,*f=h;
13     while(f->next && f->next->next)
14     {
15         s=s->next;
16         f=f->next->next;
17     }
18     return s;
19 }
20
21 ListNode* reverse(ListNode *h)
22 {
23     ListNode *pre=NULLptr,*cur=h,*next=NULLptr;
24     while(cur)
25     {
26         next=cur->next;
27         cur->next=pre;
28         pre=cur;
29         cur=next;
30     }
31     return pre;
32 }
33
34 ListNode* Solution::reorderList(ListNode* A)
35 {
36     if(A==NULLptr || A->next==NULLptr) return A;
37 }
```

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Asked In:

Problem Description

Given a singly linked list A, determine if it's a palindrome. Return 1 or 0, denoting if it's a palindrome or not, respectively.

Problem Constraints

1 <= |A| <= 10<sup>5</sup>

Input Format

The first and the only argument of input contains a pointer to the head of the

Time taken: 2 min

Score: 200 / 200

C++17 (Gcc-9.2)

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16  
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18  
19  
20  
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22  
23  
24

```
1  /**
2  * Definition for singly-linked list.
3  * struct ListNode {
4  *     int val;
5  *     ListNode *next;
6  *     ListNode(int x) : val(x), next(NULL) {}
7  * };
8  */
9  int Solution::lPalin(ListNode* A)
10 {
11     vector<int> a;
12     while(A)
13     {
14         a.push_back(A->val);
15         A=A->next;
16     }
17     int i,n=a.size()-1;
18     for(i=0;i<=n/2;i++)
19     {
20         if(a[i]!=a[n-i]) return false;
21     }
22     return true;
23 }
24 }
```

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Remove Duplicates from Sorted List II

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Remove Duplicates from Sorted List II

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Medium 37.3% Success

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Asked In:

Given a sorted linked list, delete all nodes that have duplicate numbers, leaving only distinct numbers from the original list.

For example,

Given 1->2->3->3->4->4->5, return 1->2->5.

Given 1->1->1->2->3, return 2->3.

Note: You only need to implement the given function. Do not read input, instead use the arguments to the function. Do not print the output, instead return values as specified. Still have a question? Checkout Sample Codes for more details.

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Time taken: 6 hours +

Score: 90 / 300

C++17 (Gcc-9.2)

9  
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30  
31  
32

```
9  ListNode* Solution::deleteDuplicates(ListNode* A)
10 {
11     map<int,int> map;
12     ListNode *t=A;
13     ListNode *ans=new ListNode(-1);
14     ListNode *td=ans;
15     while(t)
16     {
17         map[t->val]++;
18         t=t->next;
19     }
20     for(auto [key,value]:map)
21     {
22         if(value==1)
23         {
24             td->next=new ListNode(key);
25             td=td->next;
26         }
27     }
28     return ans->next;
29 }
30
31
32 }
```

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C++17 (Gcc-9.2)

Merge Two Sorted Lists

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Easy 64.7% Success

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Asked In: 3 2

Merge two sorted linked lists and return it as a new list.

The new list should be made by splicing together the nodes of the first two lists, and should also be sorted.

For example, given following linked lists :

5 -> 8 -> 20

4 -> 11 -> 15

The merged list should be :

4 -> 5 -> 8 -> 11 -> 15 -> 20

Note: You only need to implement the given function. Do not read input, instead use the arguments to the function. Do not print the output, instead return values

All Problems

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Custom Input

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```
7 *};
8 */
9 ListNode* Solution::mergeTwoLists(ListNode* A, ListNode* B)
10 {
11     ListNode *d=new ListNode(-1);
12     ListNode *td=d;
13     while(A && B)
14     {
15         if(A->val<B->val)
16         {
17             d->next=new ListNode(A->val);
18             A=A->next;
19         }
20         else
21         {
22             d->next=new ListNode(B->val);
23             B=B->next;
24         }
25         d=d->next;
26     }
27     if(A) d->next=A;
28     if(B) d->next=B;
29     return td->next;
30 }
31
32
```

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C++17 (Gcc-9.2)

Remove Duplicates from Sorted List

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Easy 70.5% Success

267 6 Bookmark

Asked In: 3 2

Given a sorted linked list, delete all duplicates such that each element appear only once.

For example,

Given 1->1->2, return 1->2.

Given 1->1->2->2->3->3, return 1->2->3.

Note: You only need to implement the given function. Do not read input, instead use the arguments to the function. Do not print the output, instead return values as specified. Still have a question? Checkout Sample Codes for more details.

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All Problems

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```
1 /**
2  * Definition for singly-linked list.
3  * struct ListNode {
4  *     int val;
5  *     ListNode *next;
6  *     ListNode(int x) : val(x), next(NULL) {}
7  * };
8  */
9  ListNode* Solution::deleteDuplicates(ListNode* A)
10 {
11     if(A==nullptr || A->next==nullptr) return A;
12     ListNode *temp=A;
13     while(temp)
14     {
15         ListNode *t=temp;
16         while(t->val==t->next->val)
17             t=t->next;
18         temp->next=t;
19         temp=temp->next;
20     }
21     return A;
22 }
23
```





Remove Nth Node from List

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Remove Nth Node from List End

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Easy 41.1% Success

225 20 Bookmark

Asked In: a

Problem Description

Given a linked list A, remove the B-th node from the end of the list and return its head.  
For example, Given linked list: 1->2->3->4->5, and B = 2. After removing the second node from the end, the linked list becomes 1->2->3->5.  
NOTE: If B is greater than the size of the list, remove the first node of the list.  
NOTE: Try doing it using constant additional space.

Problem Constraints

1 <= |A| <= 10<sup>5</sup>

All Problems

Custom Input

Run

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```
5 * ListNode *next;
6 * ListNode(int x) : val(x), next(NULL) {}
7 * };
8 */
9 ListNode* Solution::removeNthFromEnd(ListNode* A, int B)
10 {
11     int count=0;
12     ListNode *dup=A;
13
14     while(dup)
15     {
16         count++;
17         dup=dup->next;
18     }
19
20     if(B>=count)
21     {
22         ListNode *node = A->next;
23         delete A;
24         return node;
25     }
26
27     int pos = count-B-1;
28     dup = A;
29     while(pos-->0)
30         dup=dup->next;
31
32     ListNode *node = dup->next;
33     dup->next=dup->next->next ? dup->next->next : nullptr;
34     delete node;
```

Add Two Numbers as Lists

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Add Two Numbers as Lists

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You are given two linked lists representing two non-negative numbers. The digits are stored in reverse order and each of their nodes contain a single digit. Add the two numbers and return it as a linked list.  
Input: (2 -> 4 -> 3) + (5 -> 6 -> 4)  
  
Output: 7 -> 0 -> 8  
  
342 + 465 = 807  
  
Make sure there are no trailing zeros in the output list  
  
So, 7 -> 0 -> 8 -> 0 is not a valid response even though the value is still 807.

Note: You only need to implement the given function. Do not read input, instead use the arguments to the function. Do not print the output, instead return values

All Problems

Custom Input

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```
10 ListNode* reverse(ListNode* h)
11 {
12     ListNode *pre=nullptr,*cur=h,*next=nullptr;
13     while(cur)
14     {
15         next=cur->next;
16         cur->next=pre;
17         pre=cur;
18         cur=next;
19     }
20     return pre;
21 }
22
23 ListNode* Solution::addTwoNumbers(ListNode* A, ListNode* B)
24 {
25     ListNode *ans=new ListNode(-1);
26     ListNode *td=ans;
27     int c=0;
28     while(A || B || c)
29     {
30         int sum=c;
31         if(A)
32         {
33             sum+=A->val;
34             A=A->next;
35         }
36         if(B)
37         {
38             sum+=B->val;
39             B=B->next;
```



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Swap List Nodes in pairs

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Asked In:

Problem Description

Given a linked list A, swap every two adjacent nodes and return its head.

NOTE: Your algorithm should use only constant space. You may not modify the values in the list; only nodes themselves can be changed.

Problem Constraints

$1 \leq |A| \leq 10^5$

Input Format

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Time taken: 1 min

Score: 350 / 350

C++17 (Gcc-9.2)

```
1 /**
2  * Definition for singly-linked list.
3  * struct ListNode {
4  *     int val;
5  *     ListNode *next;
6  *     ListNode(int x) : val(x), next(NULL) {}
7  * };
8  */
9  ListNode* Solution::swapPairs(ListNode* head)
10 {
11     ListNode *pre=NULLptr, *cur=head, *next;
12
13     while( cur )
14     {
15         next = cur->next;
16         cur->next=pre;
17
18         pre=cur;
19         cur=next;
20     }
21
22     return pre;
23 }
24
25
26
27
```

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Given a linked list A, swap every two adjacent nodes and return its head.

NOTE: Your algorithm should use only constant space. You may not modify the values in the list; only nodes themselves can be changed.

Problem Constraints

$1 \leq |A| \leq 10^5$

Input Format

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C++17 (Gcc-9.2)

```
1 /**
2  * Definition for singly-linked list.
3  * struct ListNode {
4  *     int val;
5  *     ListNode *next;
6  *     ListNode(int x) : val(x), next(NULL) {}
7  * };
8  */
9  ListNode* Solution::swapPairs(ListNode* head)
10 {
11     ListNode *pre=NULLptr, *cur=head, *next;
12
13     while( cur )
14     {
15         next = cur->next;
16         cur->next=pre;
17
18         pre=cur;
19         cur=next;
20     }
21
22     return pre;
23 }
24
25
26
27
```

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Problem Description

Given a list, rotate the list to the right by  $k$  places, where  $k$  is non-negative.

Problem Constraints

$1 \leq B \leq 10^9$

Input Format

The first argument is ListNode A, pointing to the head of the list.  
The second argument is an integer B, representing the value of  $k$ .

Time taken: 5 min

Score: 347 / 350

C++17 (Gcc-9.2)

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```
4  * int val;
5  * ListNode *next;
6  * ListNode(int x) : val(x), next(NULL) {}
7  * };
8  */
9  ListNode* Solution::rotateRight(ListNode* A, int B)
10 {
11     int c=0;
12     ListNode *t=A;
13     vector<int> a;
14     while(t)
15     {
16         a.push_back(t->val);
17         t=t->next;
18         c++;
19     }
20     B%=c;
21
22     reverse(a.begin(),a.end());
23     reverse(a.begin(),a.begin()+B);
24     reverse(a.begin()+B,a.end());
25
26     ListNode *ans=new ListNode(-1);
27     ListNode *td=ans;
28     for(int i:a)
29     {
30         td->next=new ListNode(i);
31         td=td->next;
32     }
33 }
```

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Given a singly linked list and an integer  $K$ , reverses the nodes of the list  $K$  at a time and returns modified linked list.

NOTE: The length of the list is divisible by  $K$

Example:

Given linked list 1 -> 2 -> 3 -> 4 -> 5 -> 6 and  $K=2$ ,  
You should return 2 -> 1 -> 4 -> 3 -> 6 -> 5

You should solve the problem using constant extra space.

Time taken: 4 min

Score: 198 / 200

C++17 (Gcc-9.2)

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```
1  /**
2  * Definition for singly-linked list.
3  * struct ListNode {
4  *     int val;
5  *     ListNode *next;
6  *     ListNode(int x) : val(x), next(NULL) {}
7  * };
8  */
9  ListNode* Solution::reverseList(ListNode* A, int k)
10 {
11     ListNode *head=A;
12     vector<int> v;
13
14     while(head)
15     {
16         v.push_back(head->val);
17         head=head->next;
18     }
19
20     for(int i=0; i<v.size(); i+=k)
21         reverse(v.begin()+i, v.begin()+i+k);
22
23     head=A;
24
25     for(int i=0; i<v.size(); i++)
26     {
27         head->val=v[i];
28         head=head->next;
29     }
30 }
```

All Problems

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Note: You only need to implement the given function. Do not read input, instead use the arguments to the function. Do not print the output, instead return values as specified. Still have a question? Checkout Sample Codes for more details.