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Data Structure & Algorithm

Lecture 9

Abstract Data Types: Single Linked Lists

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Content

- Abstract Data Types
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 - Queues and Priority Queues
 - **Linked Lists: Single Linked Lists**
 - Abstract Data Types
 - Specialized Lists

Check the video Before the lecture to get some ideas related linked list:

1. Introduction to Linked List

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R9PTBwOzceo>

2. Creating the Node of a Single Linked List:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DneLxrPmmsw>

3. Array vs. Single Linked List

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b5QR4AmrspU>

What is the video all about?

first •
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```
class Node{
    friend class SLList;
    int data_;
    Node* next_;
    Node(int data, Node* n=NULL){
        data_=data;
        next_=n;
    }
};

class SLList{
    Node* first_;
    Node* last_;
public:
    SLList(){
        first_=last_=NULL;
    }
    ...
};
```

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insert front

insert back

remove front

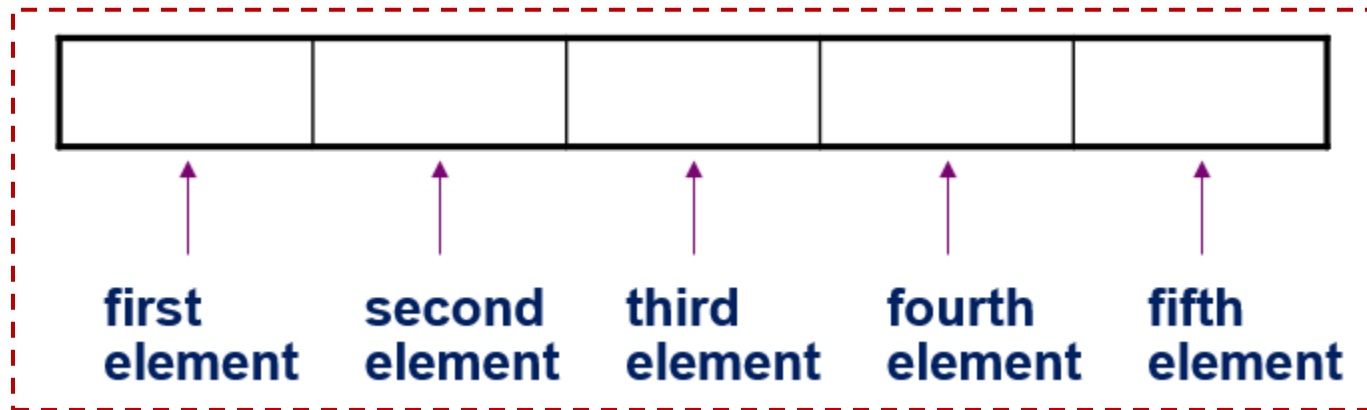
remove back

Lists

- Arrays
- Linked Lists
 - Singly Linked List
 - Doubly Linked List

Arrays (Storage in Memory)

- In the definition:
- `int [] tests;`
- `tests = new int[SIZE];` // **SIZE is 5**
- allocates the following memory



An Arrays structure

- Storing data items in arrays has at least two limitations
 - The **array size** is fixed once it is created: **Changing the size** of the array requires **creating a new array** and then **copying all data** from the **old array** to the **new array**
 - The **data items in the array** are **next to each other** in memory: **Inserting an item** inside the array requires shifting other items

A linked structure

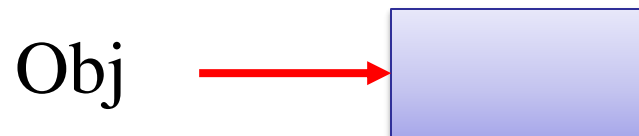
- A linked structure is introduced to overcome the limitations of arrays and allow easy insertion and deletion

A linked structure

- A collection of nodes storing data items and links to other nodes
- If each node has a data field and a reference field to another node called next or successor, the sequence of nodes is referred to as a singly linked list
- Nodes can be located anywhere in the memory
- The first node is called the head and the last node is called tail

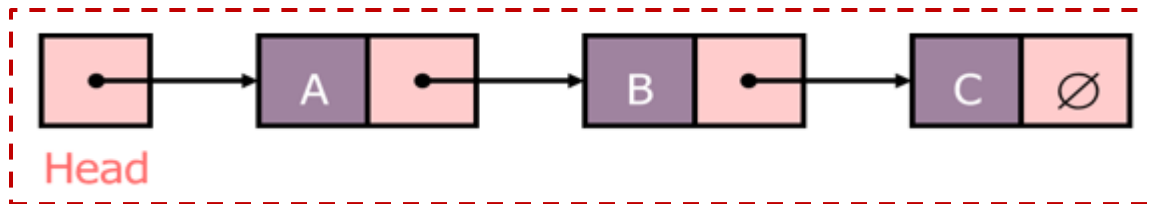
A linked structure

- A linked structure uses **object references** to create **links between objects**
- Recall that an object **reference variable** holds the **address** of an object



A linked structure

- Linked Lists are *dynamic* data structures that grow and shrink one element at a time, normally without some of the inefficiencies of arrays.
- A linked list is a series of connected *nodes*

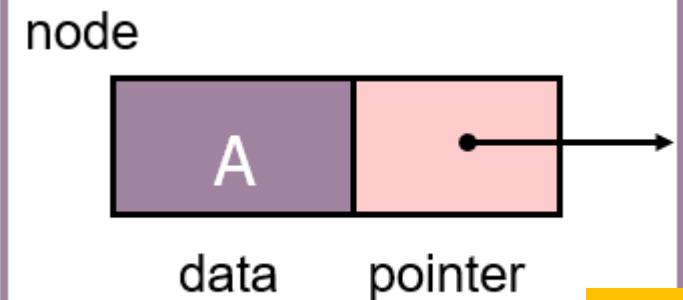


- We create a new node every time we add something to the List and we remove nodes when item removed from list and reclaim memory

A linked structure

- Each node contains at least
 - A piece of data (any type)
 - Pointer to the next node in the list
- **head** : pointer to the first node
 - Sometimes called front, first
- The last node points to NULL

```
class Node {  
    Integer data;  
    Node next = null;  
  
    Node(int val) {  
        data = val;  
    }  
}
```

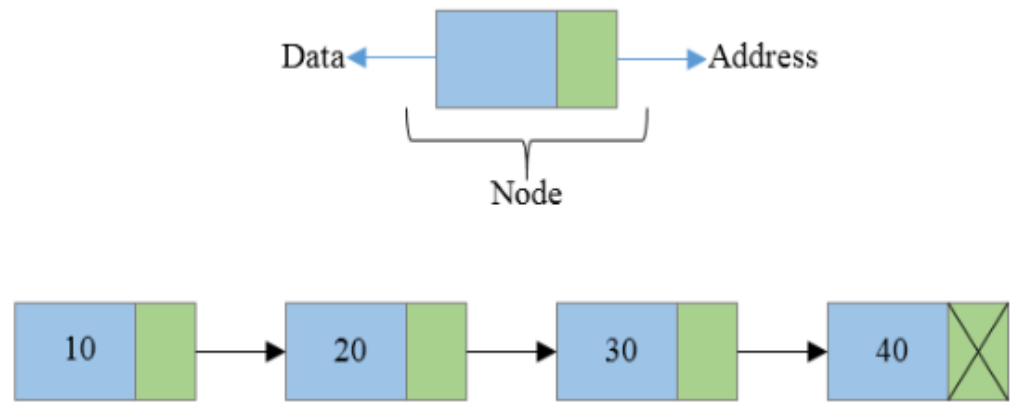


Variations of Linked Lists

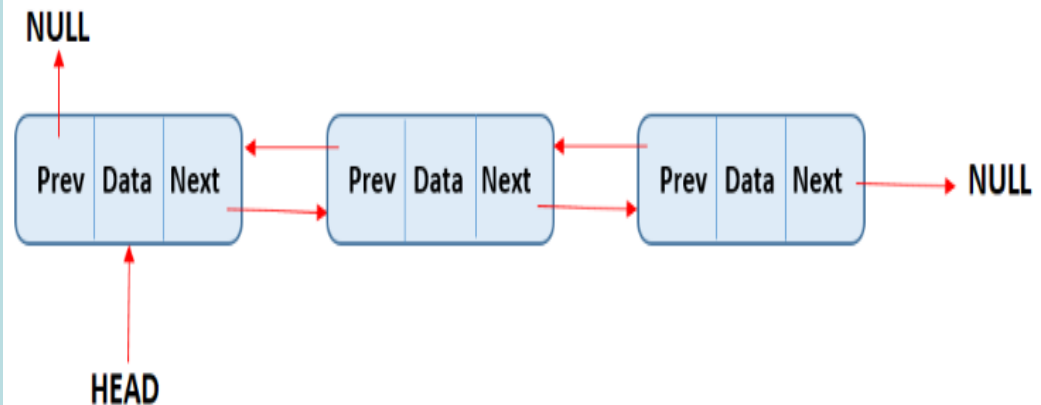
- Linked list can be
 - Singly-Linked
 - Doubly-Linked
 - Circular linked lists

Variations of Linked Lists

- A single linked list contains only a next member.



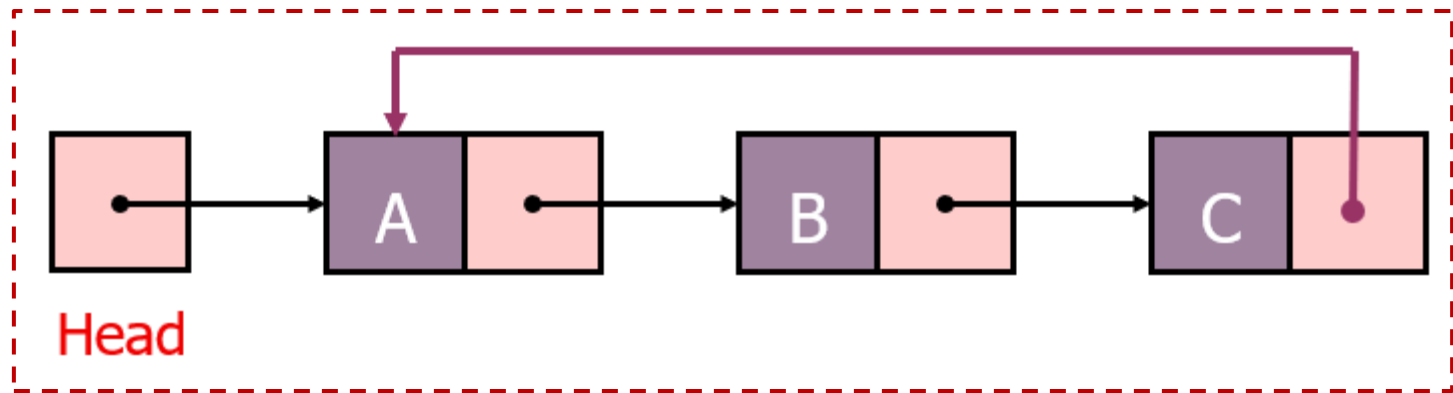
- A doubly linked list contains next and previous members



Variations of Linked Lists

- **Circular linked lists**

- The last node points to the first node of the list

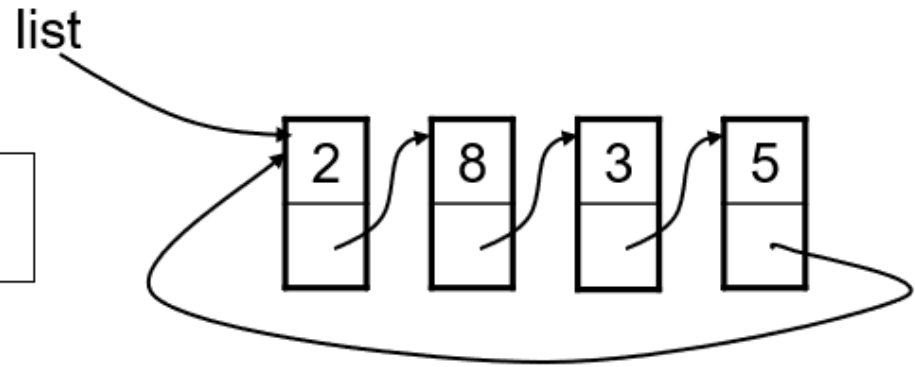


- How do we know when we have finished traversing the list? (Tip: check if the pointer of the current node is equal to the head.)

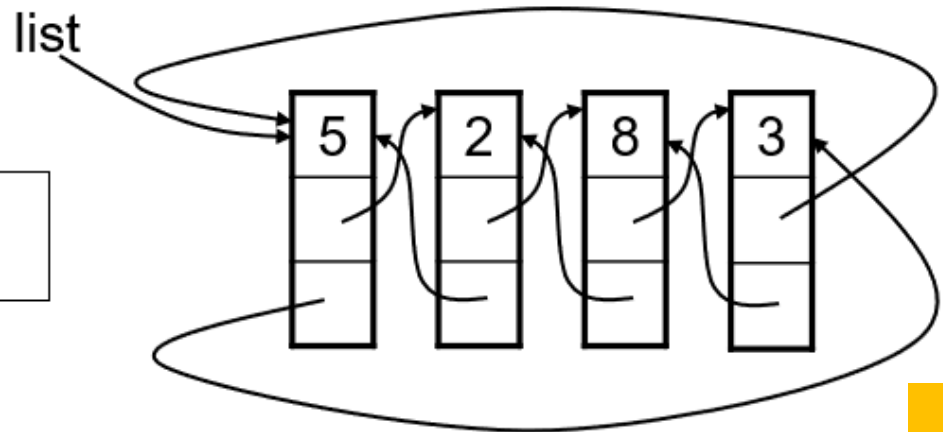
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Circular singly linked list

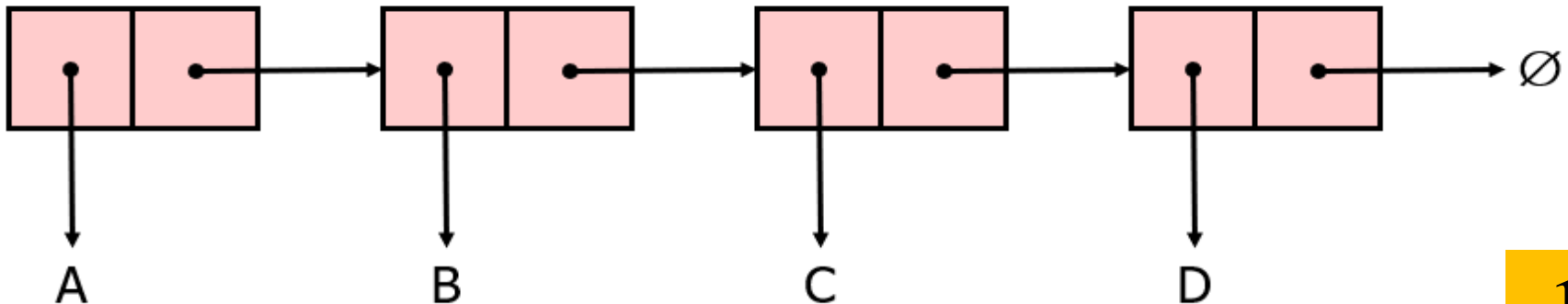
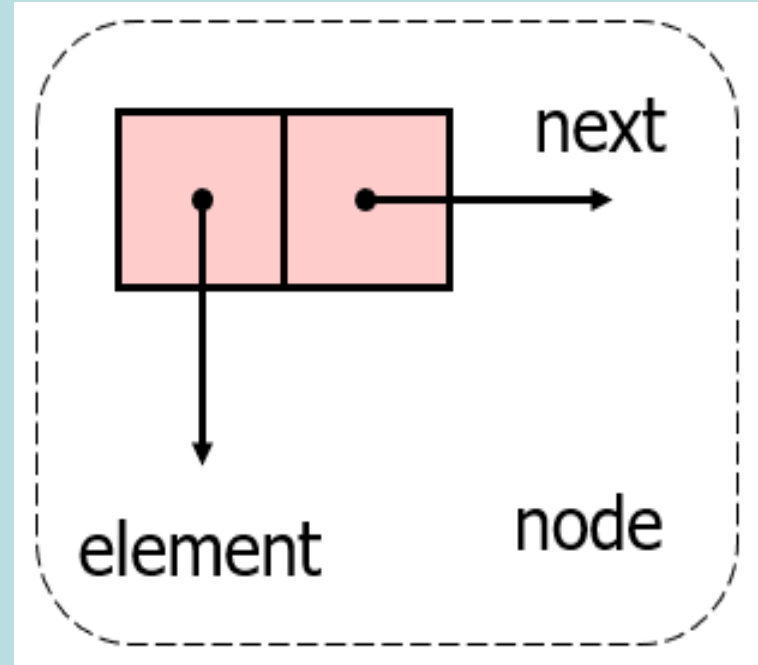


Circular doubly linked list



Singly Linked Lists

- A singly linked list is a concrete data structure consisting of a sequence of nodes
- Each node stores
 - element
 - link to the next node



Singly Linked Lists - Operations

- **Traversal** - access each element of the linked list
- **Insertion** - adds a new element to the linked list
- **Deletion** - removes the existing elements
- **Search** - find a node in the linked list
- **Sort** - sort the nodes of the linked list

Singly Linked Lists - Insertion

- We can add a node anywhere into the list:
 - Empty List
 - Before head
 - After tail
 - In between

Singly Linked Lists - Delete

- from beginning

```
head = head->next;
```

- from end

```
struct node* temp = head;  
while(temp->next->next!=NULL){  
    temp = temp->next;  
}  
temp->next = NULL;
```

- from middle

```
for(int i=2; i< position; i++) {  
    if(temp->next!=NULL) {  
        temp = temp->next;  
    }  
}  
  
temp->next = temp->next->next;
```

Singly Linked Lists – C++

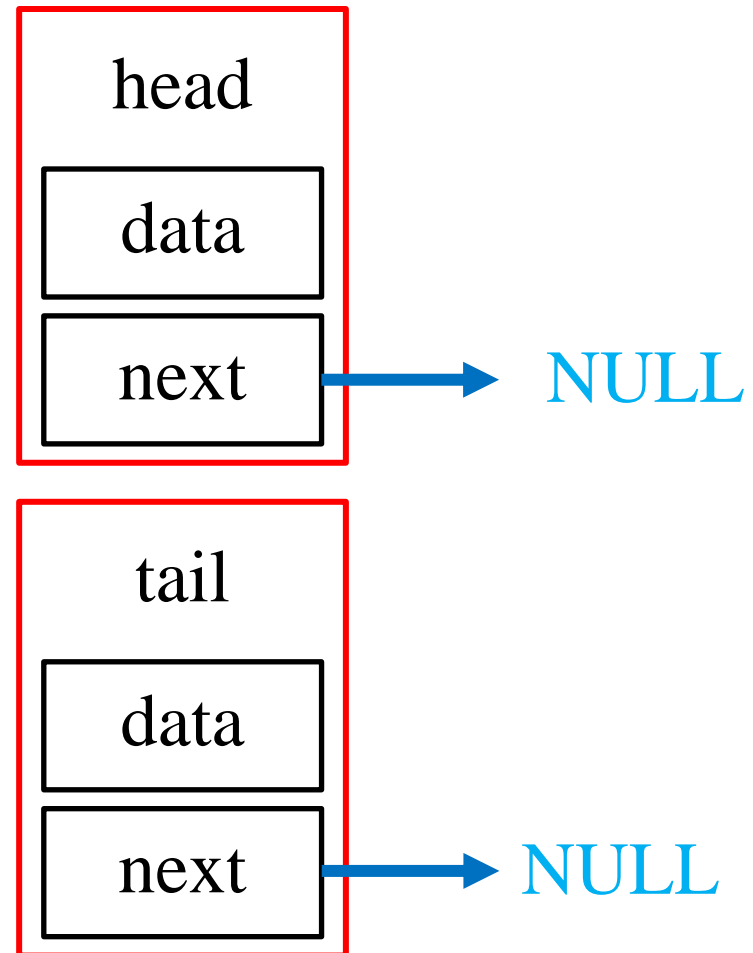
```
1  #include <iostream>
2  using namespace std;
3  struct node
4  {
5      int data;
6      node *next;
7  };
8  class linked_list
9  {
10 private:
11     node *head,*tail;
12 public:
13     linked_list()
14     {
15         head = NULL;
16         tail = NULL;
17     }
18 };
19 int main()
20 {
21     linked_list myList;
22     return 0;
23 }
```

- What is this code representation?

Singly Linked Lists – C++

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- myList



Singly Linked Lists – malloc()

- The **function malloc()** in C++ is used to **allocate** the requested size of bytes and **it returns a pointer** to the first byte of allocated memory.
- A malloc() in C++ is a function that allocates memory at the runtime
 - **malloc()** is a dynamic memory allocation technique

Singly Linked Lists – malloc()

- **Syntax:**

```
pointer_name = (cast-type*) malloc(size);
```

The diagram illustrates the components of the code snippet `int* ptr = (int*) malloc(sizeof(int));`. Brackets and labels identify the parts: `int*` is labeled as `pointer_name`, `(int*)` is labeled as `cast-type`, and `sizeof(int)` is labeled as `size`.

```
int* ptr = (int*) malloc(sizeof(int));
```

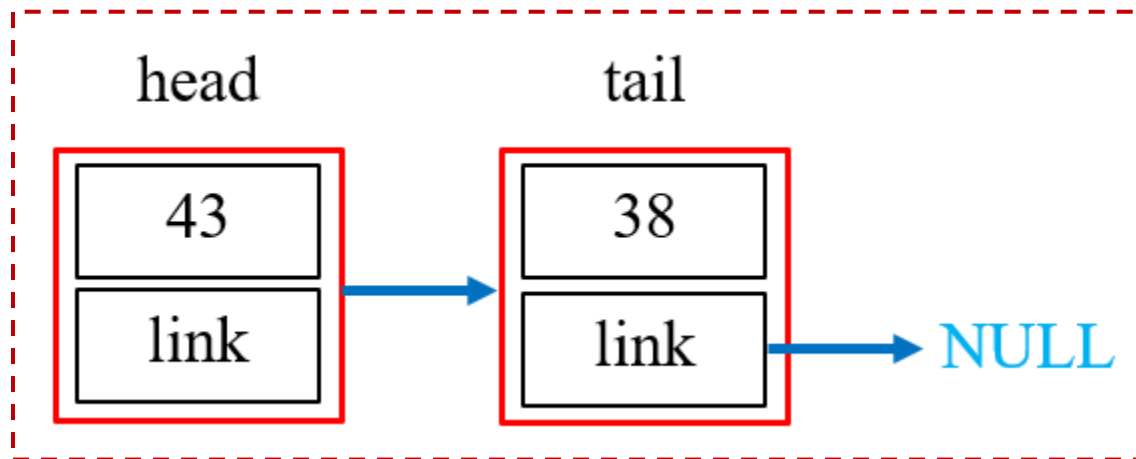
Labels: `pointer_name`, `cast-type`, `size`

```
struct node  
{  
    int data;  
    node *link;  
};
```

```
head = (node*) malloc(sizeof(node));
```

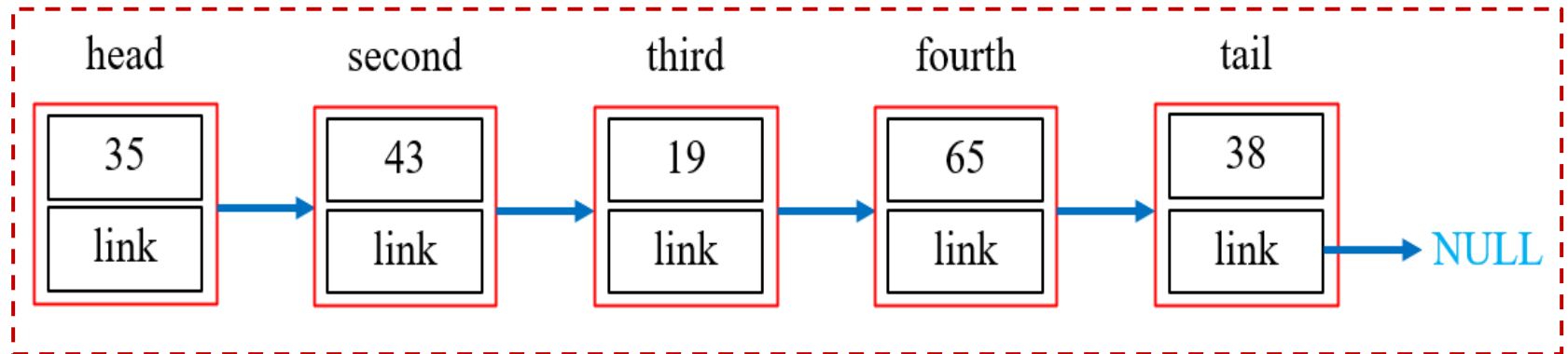

Singly Linked Lists – head/tail

- Write in C++ to link head and tail node
- Print linked list



Singly Linked Lists – link many nodes

- Write in C++ to link multiple nodes as show below:
- Print linked list



Singly Linked Lists – insertBegin

- Write in C++ to insert element to begin of node
- Print linked list

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Exercise- check at the End of lab

- Create a linked list class with the following functions:

// Function to insert a node at the end of the linked list.

`void insertNode(int);`

// Function to print the linked list.

`void printList();`

// Function to delete the node at given position

`void deleteNode(int);`

Exercise- extend at home

- Create a linked list class with the following functions:

// Search a node

`bool` searchNode(p1, p2)

// Sort the linked list: Bobble sort

`void` sortLinkedList()

Thanks!