

CS101 Algorithms and Data Structures

Array and Linked List

Textbook Ch 10.2

Outline

- List ADT
- Array
- Linked list
- Doubly linked list
- Node-based storage with arrays

Representation of polynomial coefficients a_n

$$f(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \cdots + a_{n-1}x^{n-1} + a_nx^n$$

```
double fpoly1 ( int n, double a[ ], double x )
{ int i;
  double p = a[0];
  for (i = 1; i <= n; i++)
    p += (a[i] * pow( x, i));
  return p;
}
```

- **Method 1: array**

$$f(x) = 4x^5 - 3x^2 + 1$$

$a[i]$

1	0	-3	0	0	4	...
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Array indices

0	1	2	3	4	5	...
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Problem?

Discussion 1

How to present coefficients for $f(x) = 4 + 3x^{2001}$?

$a[i]$

4	0	0	0	...	0	3
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Method 2: structure array

- For each non-zero term, need to know two components: the coefficient a_i , the index no. i .
- We can use a structure array (a_i, i) . (x, y)
- Ex:

$$P_1(x) = 3x^{100} + 10x^{50} + 15 \quad \& \quad P_2(x) = 4x^{100} + 30x^{60} + 5$$

$a[i]$	3	10	15		4	30	5	
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Store the coefficients in descent order of exponential index.

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$$P_3(x) = P_1(x) + P_2(x) = 7x^{100} + 30x^{60} + 10x^{50} + 20$$

Can we store the coefficients in an increase order of exponential index?

1. *Different data types can be used for the same type of problem.*
2. *There exists a common problem: the organization and management of ordered linear data.*

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List ADT

An Abstract List (or List ADT) is linearly ordered data (with same data type)

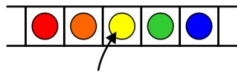
$$(\mathbf{A_1} \ \mathbf{A_2} \ \dots \ \mathbf{A_{n-1}} \ \mathbf{A_n})$$

- The number of elements in the List denotes the length of the List.
- When there is no element it is an empty List.
- The beginning of a List is called the List head; the end of a List is called the List tail.
- The same value may occur more than once.

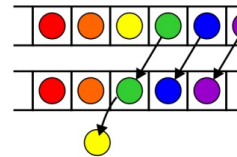
Operations

Operations at the k^{th} entry of the list include:

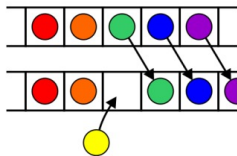
Access to the object



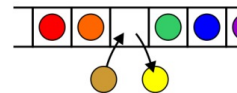
Erasing an object



Insertion of a new object

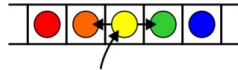


Replacement of the object



Operations

Given access to the k^{th} object, gain access to either the previous or next object



Given two abstract lists, we may want to

- Concatenate the two lists
- Determine if one is a sub-list of the other

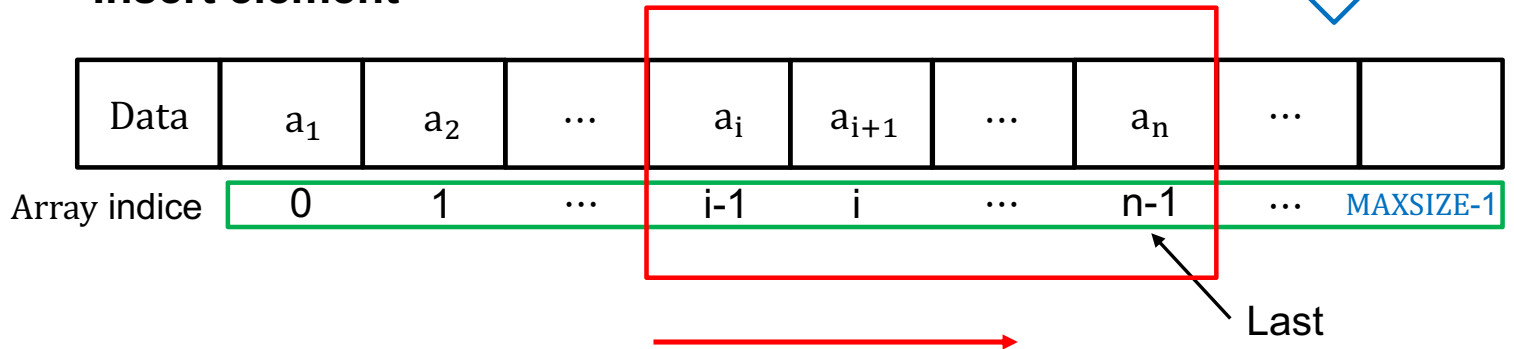
List based on array

Data	a_1	a_2	...	a_i	a_{i+1}	...	a_n	...	
Array indice	0	1	...	$i-1$	i	...	$n-1$...	MAXSIZE-1

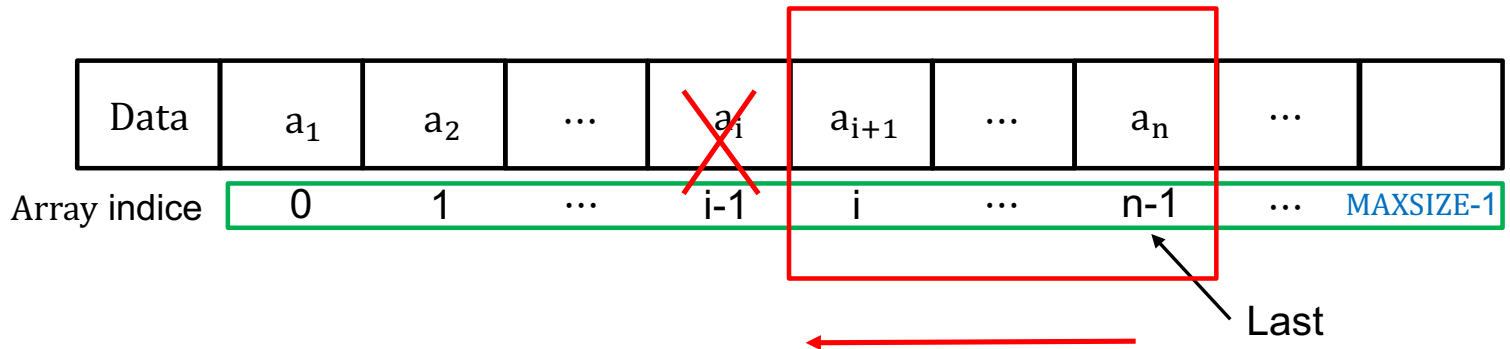
List based on array

$O(n)$

- **Insert element**



- **Delete element**



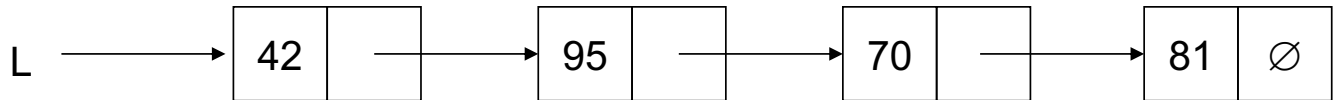
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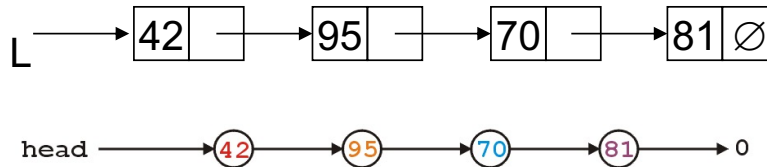
Definition

A linked list is a data structure where each object is stored in a *node*

As well as storing data, the node must also contains a reference/pointer to the node containing the next item of data




Node Class



The node must store **data** and a **pointer**:

```
class Node {
    private:
        int element;
        Node *next_node;
    public:
        Node( int = 0, Node * = nullptr );

        int retrieve() const;
        Node *next() const;
};
```



Node Constructor

The constructor assigns the two member variables based on the arguments

```
Node::Node( int e, Node *n ):  
    element( e ),  
    next_node( n ) {  
        // empty constructor  
    }
```

The default values are given in the class definition:

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```

Structure

Let us look at the internal representation of a linked list

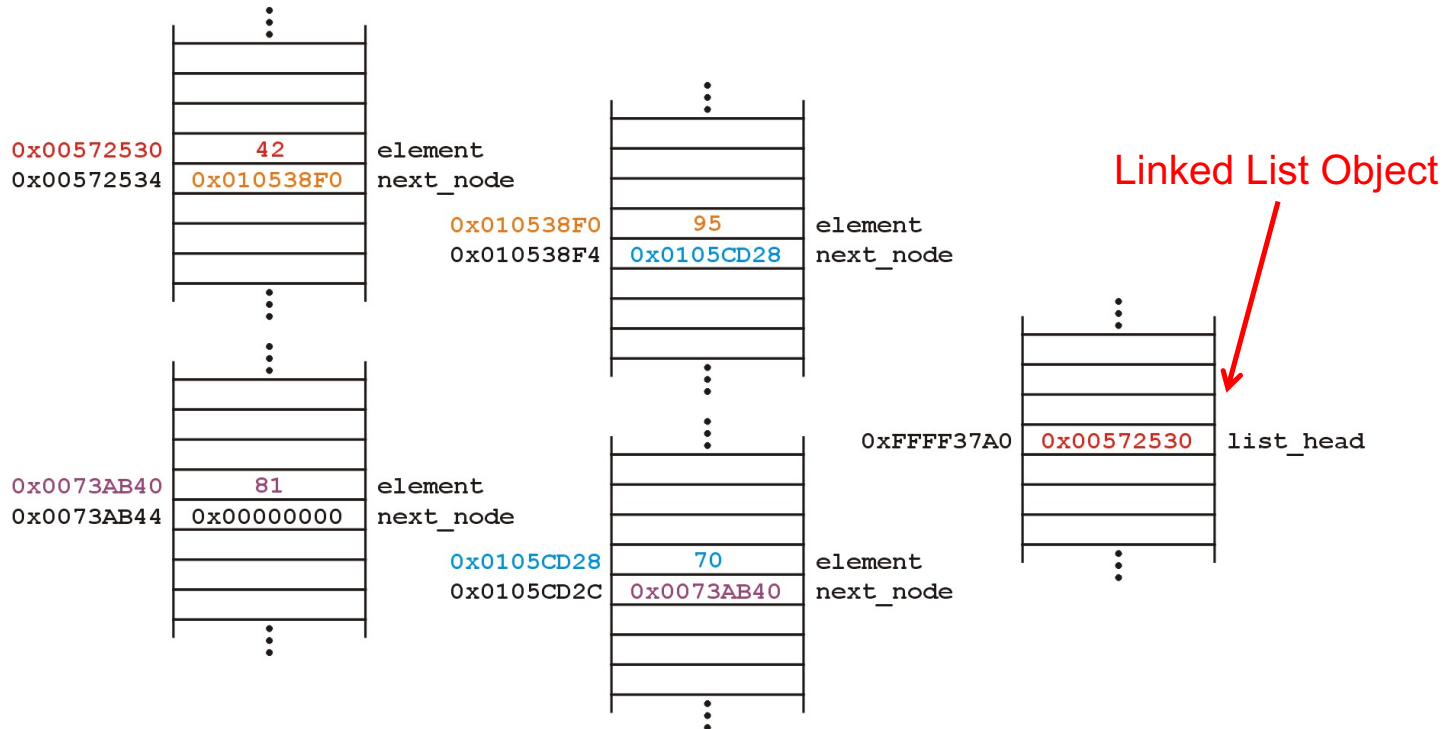
Suppose we want a linked list to store the values

42 95 70 81

in this order

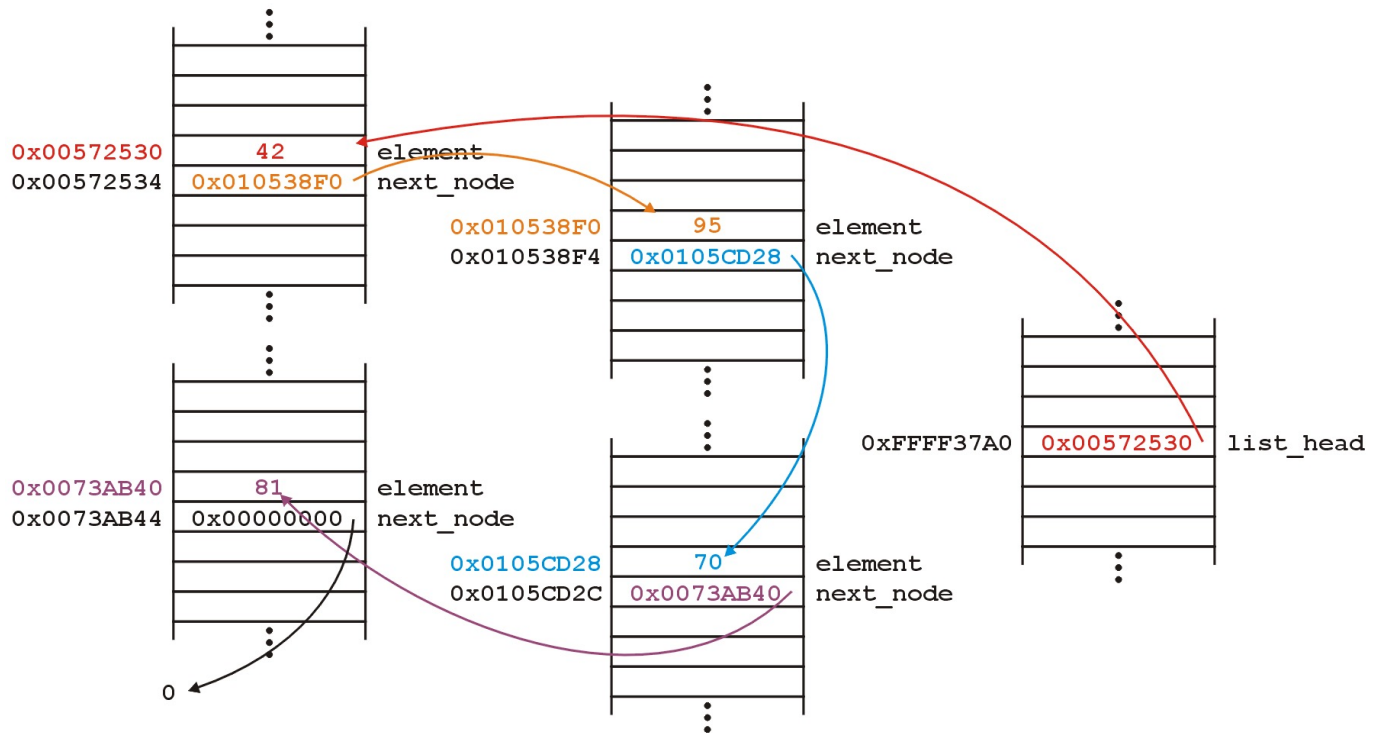
Structure

A linked list uses **linked allocation**, and therefore each node may appear anywhere in memory:



Structure

The **next_node** pointers store the addresses of the next node in the list



Structure

We will clean up the representation as follows:



We do not specify the addresses because they are arbitrary and:

- The contents of the circle is the element
- The `next_node` pointer is represented by an arrow

Operations

First, we want to create a linked list

We also want to be able to:

- insert into,
- access, and
- erase from

the elements stored in the linked list

Operations

We can do them with the following operations:

- Adding, retrieving, or removing the value at the front of the linked list

```
void push_front( int );
```

```
int front() const;
```

```
void pop_front();
```

- We may also want to access the head of the linked list

```
Node *head() const;
```

```
void push_front( int )
```

Next, let us add an element to the list

If it is empty, we start with:

`list_head` \longrightarrow 0

and, if we try to add 81, we should end up with:

`list_head` \longrightarrow (81) \longrightarrow 0

void push_front(int)

We must:

- create a new node which:
 - stores the value **81**, and
 - is pointing to **0**
- assign its address to `list_head`

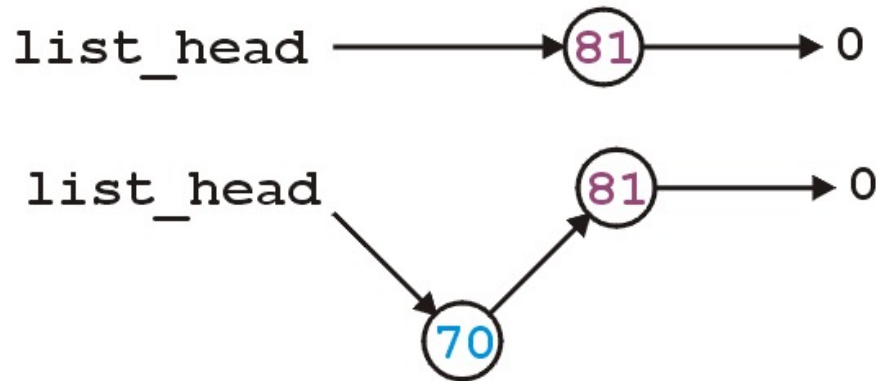
We can do this as follows:

```
list_head = new Node( 81, nullptr );
```

```
void push_front( int )
```

Suppose however, we already have a non-empty list

Adding 70, we want:



```
void push_front( int )
```

To achieve this, we must we must create a new node which:

- stores the value `70`, and
- is pointing to the current list head
- we must then assign its address to `list_head`

We can do this as follows:

```
list_head = new Node( 70, list_head );
```

```
void push_front( int )
```

Thus, our implementation could be:

```
void List::push_front( int n ) {  
    if ( empty() ) {  
        list_head = new Node( n, nullptr );  
    } else {  
        list_head = new Node( n, head() );  
    }  
}
```

```
void push_front( int )
```

We could, however, note that when the list is empty, `list_head == 0`, thus we could shorten this to:

```
void List::push_front( int n ) {  
    list_head = new Node( n, list_head );  
}
```

int pop_front()

Erasing from the front of a linked list is even easier:

- We assign the list head to the next pointer of the first node

Graphically, given:



we want:



int pop_front()

Easy enough:

```
int List::pop_front() {  
    int e = front();  
    list_head = head()->next();  
    return e;  
}
```

Unfortunately, we have some **problems**:

- The list may be empty
- We still have the memory allocated for the node containing 70

int pop_front()

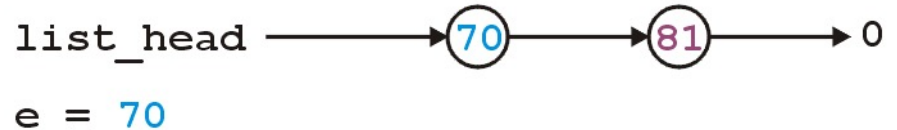
Does this work?

```
int List::pop_front() {  
    if ( empty() ) {  
        throw underflow();  
    }  
  
    int e = front();  
    delete head();  
    list_head = head()->next();  
    return e;  
}
```

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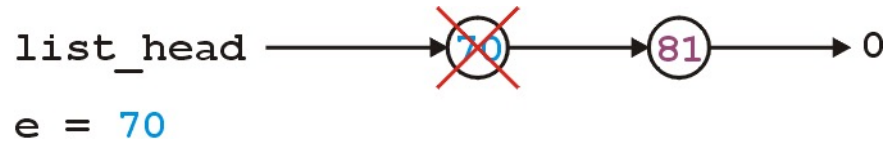
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```
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```

```
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```

```
    return e;
```

```
}
```

list_head

e = 70



Any problem with the above code?

int pop_front()

The correct implementation assigns a temporary pointer to point to the node being deleted:

```
int List::pop_front() {  
    if ( empty() ) {  
        throw underflow();  
    }  
  
    int e = front();  
    Node *ptr = list_head;  
    list_head = list_head->next();  
    delete ptr;  
    return e;  
}
```

Stepping through a Linked List

The next step is to look at member functions which potentially require us to step through the entire list:

```
int size() const;  
int count( int ) const;  
int erase( int );
```

The second counts the number of instances of an integer, and the last removes the nodes containing that integer

Stepping through a Linked List

The process of stepping through a linked list can be thought of as being analogous to a for-loop:

- We initialize a temporary pointer with the list head
- We continue iterating until the pointer equals `nullptr`
- With each step, we set the pointer to point to the next object

int erase(int)

To remove an arbitrary element, *i.e.*, to implement
`int erase(int)`, we must update the previous node

For example, given



if we delete 70, we want to end up with



Destructor

We dynamically allocated memory each time we added a new `int` into this list

Suppose we delete a list before we remove everything from it

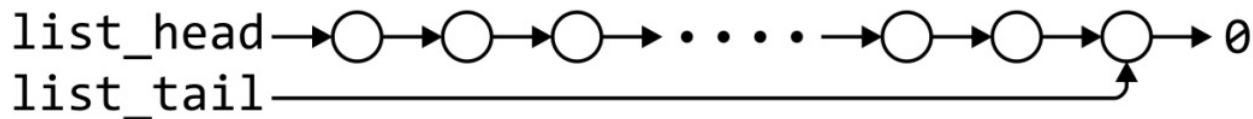
- This would leave the memory allocated with no reference to it



Linked list

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Insert After	$\Theta(1)$	$\Theta(1)^*$	$\Theta(1)$
Replace	$\Theta(1)$	$\Theta(1)^*$	$\Theta(1)$
Erase	$\Theta(1)$	$O(n)$	$\Theta(n)$
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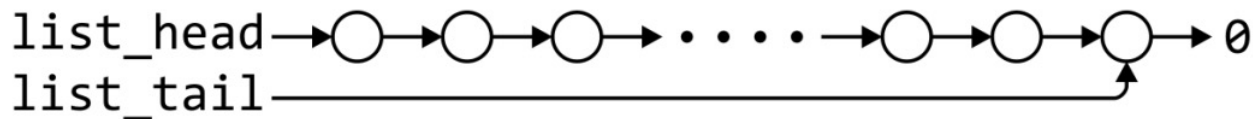


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By replacing the value in the node in question, we can speed things up



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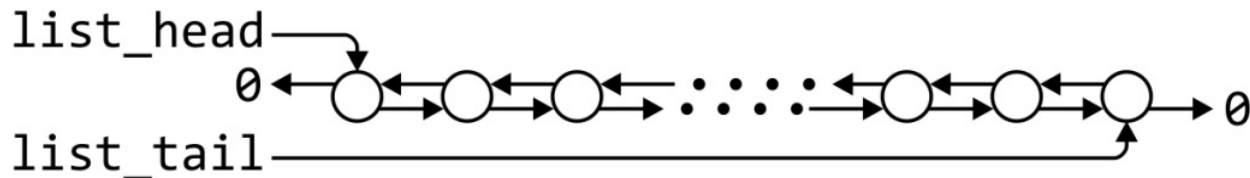
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Memory usage versus run times

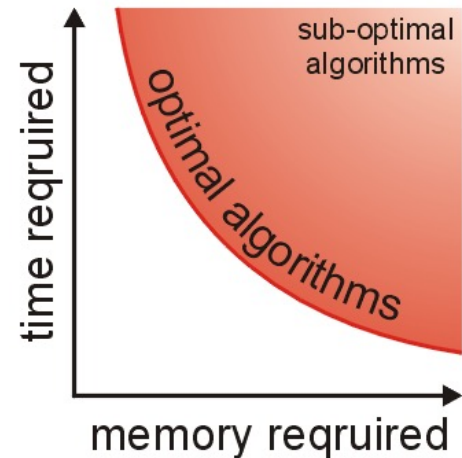
Using a doubly linked list requires $\Theta(n)$ additional memory, but it speeds up many operations

Memory usage versus run times

In general, there is an interesting relationship between memory and time efficiency

For a data structure/algorithm:

- Improving the run time usually requires more memory
- Reducing the required memory usually requires more run time



Memory usage versus run times

Warning: programmers often mistake this to suggest that given any solution to a problem, any solution which may be faster must require more memory

This guideline not true in general: there may be different data structures and/or algorithms which are both faster and require less memory

- This requires thought and research

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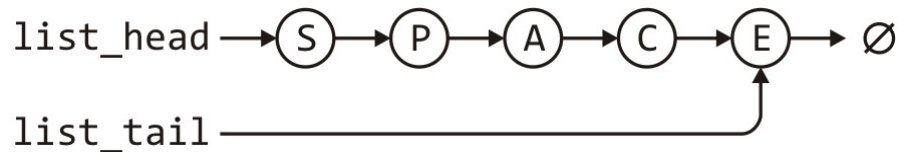
The issue

A significant issue with linked lists: node-based data structures require $\Theta(n)$ calls to `new`

- Each `new` operation requires a call to the operating system requesting a memory allocation

Using an array?

Suppose we store this linked list in an array?



```
list_head = 5;  
list_tail = 2;
```

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
A		E	P		S	C	
6		-1	0		3	2	

Using an array?

Rather than using, -1, use a constant assigned that value

- This makes reading your code easier

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A solution

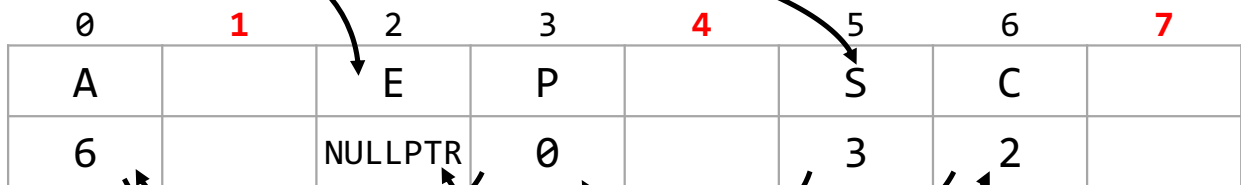
Problem: when inserting a new element...

how do you know which cell to use?

- Solution: keep a container (a stack) of the indices of unused nodes

`list_head = 5;`

`list_tail = 2;`



`stack_size = 3;`

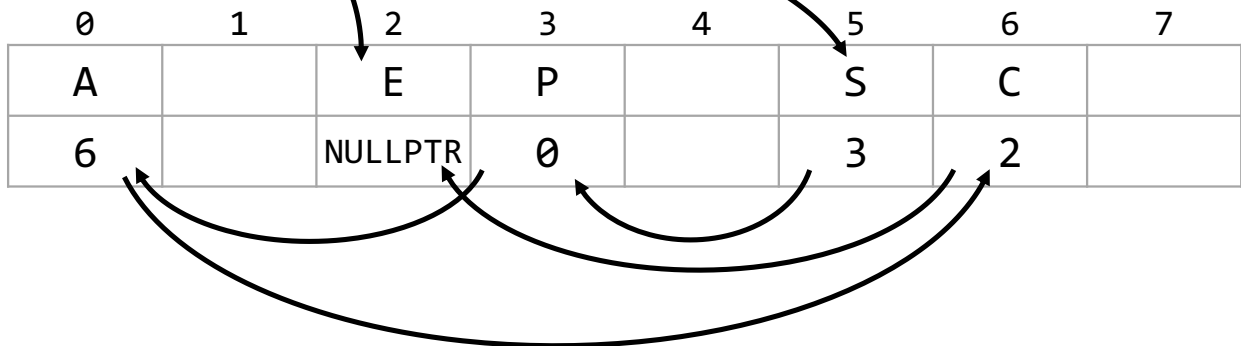
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
7	1	4					

A better solution

Problem:

- Our solution requires $\Theta(N)$ additional memory
- In our initial example, the unused nodes are 1, 4 and 7
- How about using these to define a second stack-as-linked-list?

```
list_head = 5;  
list_tail = 2;
```

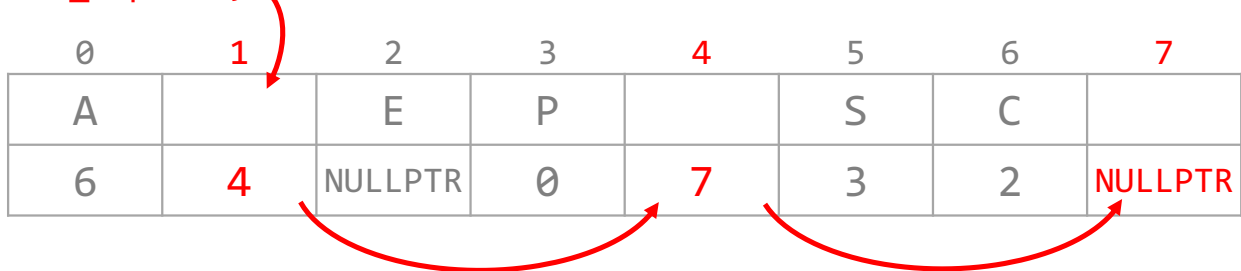


A better solution

Problem:

- Our solution requires $\Theta(N)$ additional memory
- In our initial example, the unused nodes are 1, 4 and 7
- How about using these to define a second stack-as-linked-list?

```
list_head = 5;  
list_tail = 2;  
stack_top = 1;
```



- We only need a head pointer for the stack-as-linked-list

Analysis

This solution:

- Requires only three more member variable than our linked list class
- It still requires $O(N)$ additional memory over an array
- All the run-times are identical to that of a linked list
- Only one call to new, as opposed to $\Theta(n)$
- There is a potential for up to $O(N)$ wasted memory

Question: What happens if we run out of memory?

Reallocation of memory

Suppose we start with a capacity N but after a while, all the entries have been allocated

- We can double the size of the array and copy the entries over

```
list_head = 6;  
list_tail = 4;  
list_size = 8;  
list_capacity = 8;  
stack_top = NULLPTR;
```

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
C	R	U	T	R	U	S	T
7	2	0	1	NULLPTR	4	3	5

Reallocation of memory

Suppose we start with a capacity N but after a while, all the entries have been allocated

- We can double the size of the array and copy the entries over
- Only the stack needs to be updated and the old array deleted

```
list_head = 6;  
list_tail = 4;  
list_size = 8;  
list_capacity = 16;  
stack_top = 8;
```

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
C	R	U	T	R	U	S	T
7	2	0	1	NULLPTR	4	3	5

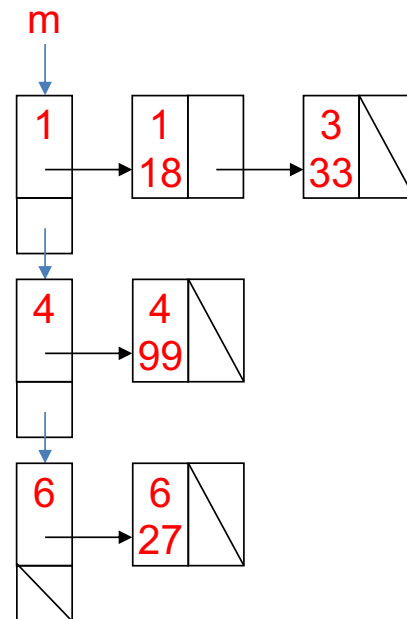
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
C	R	U	T	R	U	S	T								
7	2	0	1	NULLPTR	4	3	5	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	NULLPTR

Outline

- List ADT
- Linked list
- Doubly linked list
- Node-based storage with arrays
- **Application**

Sparse Matrices

18	0	33	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	99	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	27



Summary

- List ADT
 - A sequence of elements (special case: string)
 - Array
- Linked list
 - Accessors and mutators
 - Stepping through a linked list
 - Copy and assignment operator
- Doubly linked list
 - Memory usage versus run times
- Node-based storage with arrays
 - No longer need to call `new` for each new node
- Application
 - Polynomial, sparse matrix