

## Linked List Exercises, CSC 143 – One Possible Solution (as a complete class)

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/**
 * One possible solution to in-class exercise
 * Notice that there is no "List" class in these simple
 * examples. Rather, holding a reference to the first
 * Link in the list amounts to holding a reference to
 * the entire list. This would NOT be a good public
 * interface! However, it allows us to work with the
 * list quite easily.
 * @version F09
 */
public class PlayWithLinkedList
{
    public static void main( String[] args ) {
        int[] x0 = {7,5,-2,8};
        Link x = makeList( x0 );
        System.out.println( listToString( x ) );

        // Warm Up: has 8?
        boolean found8 = false;
        Link p0 = x;
        while ( !found8 && p0 != null ) {
            if ( p0.num == 8 )
                found8 = true;
            p0 = p0.next;
        }
        System.out.println( "Found 8? - " + found8 );

        // 1. average (shows NaN if list is empty)
        double sum = 0;
        int count = 0;
        Link p1 = x;
        while ( p1 != null ) {
            sum += p1.num;
            count++;
            p1 = p1.next;
        }
        System.out.println( "Average: " + (sum/count) );

        // 2. link to lowest
        Link lowest = x;
        if ( x != null ) {
            Link p2 = x;
            while ( p2.next != null ) {
                p2 = p2.next;
                if ( p2.num < lowest.num )
                    lowest = p2;
            }
        }
        System.out.println( listToString( lowest ) );
    }
}
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/**
 * 3. Make a list from the numbers in the array nums.
 * Return null if nums is null or empty.
 * @param nums the source array
 * @return a Link to the first element in the list
 */
public static Link makeList( int[] nums ) {
    if ( nums == null || nums.length == 0 ) return null;
    Link p = new Link( nums[0], null );
    Link result = p;
    for ( int i = 1; i < nums.length; i++ ) {
        p.next = new Link( nums[i], null );
        p = p.next;
    }
    return result;
}

/**
 * 4. Create a String representing the list using
 * this format: {7,5,-2,8}
 * @param head the source list
 * @return a String representation
 */
public static String listToString( Link head ) {
    if ( head == null ) return "null";
    String result = "{" + head.num;
    while ( head.next != null ) {
        head = head.next;
        result += "," + head.num;
    }
    return result + "}";
}

static class Link
{
    int num;
    Link next;

    Link( int num, Link next ) {
        this.num = num;
        this.next = next;
    }
}
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