

Limitation of Arrays And Introduction to Link list

Primitive Data types(SYS Dep)

Name	Description	Size	Range
char	Character or small integer	1 byte	signed: -128 to 127 unsigned: 0 to 255
short int (short)	Short Integer	2 bytes	signed: -32768 to 32767 unsigned: 0 to 65535
Int	Integer	4 bytes	signed: -2147483648 to 2147483647 unsigned: 0 to 4294967295
long int (long)	Long integer	4 bytes	signed: -2147483648 to 2147483647 unsigned: 0 to 4294967295
bool	Boolean value. It can take one of two values: true or false	1 byte	true or false
float	Floating point number	4 bytes	+/- 3.4e +/- 38 (~7 digits)
double	Double precision floating point number	8 bytes	+/- 1.7e +/- 308 (~15 digits)

Arrays

Used to store a collection of elements (variables)

type array-name[size];

Meaning:

This declares a variable called <array-name> which contains <size> elements of type <type>

The elements of an array can be accessed as: array-name[0],...array-name[size-1]

Example:

```
int a[100];    //a is a list of 100 integers, a[0], a[1],  
...a[99]  
double b[50];  
char c[10];
```

Examples

Drawbacks of Arrays:

1.Fixed Size: Arrays have a predefined size, meaning they cannot grow or shrink dynamically during runtime, which can lead to either memory wastage or overflow.

2.Insertion and Deletion Complexity: Inserting or deleting elements requires shifting elements, resulting in a time complexity of $O(n)$ for these operations.

3.Contiguous Memory Requirement: Arrays require contiguous blocks of memory, which can lead to memory allocation issues, especially for large arrays.

Drawbacks of Arrays:

- ❖ **Lack of Flexibility:** Arrays do not allow efficient insertion/deletion in the middle, as every operation involves shifting elements.
- ❖ **Homogeneous Data:** Arrays can only store elements of the same data type, limiting flexibility in storing mixed types of data (unless using advanced features like arrays of objects in some languages).
- ❖ **No Built-in Bounds Checking:** Many programming languages do not automatically check array bounds, leading to potential errors like out-of-bounds access.

Link list

A **linked list** is a **data structure** commonly taught in computer science and programming courses.

It consists of a **sequence of nodes**, where each node contains **data** and a **reference** (or link) to the next node in the sequence.

Linked lists come in **various forms**.

such as

singly linked lists,
doubly linked lists,
and circular linked lists.

Definition

- A **Singly Linked List** is a linear data structure where each element (node) points to the next one, forming a sequence.
- Each node contains two parts: **data** and a **reference** (or pointer) to the next node.

Characteristics

- Linear structure, unidirectional traversal** (can only go forward).
- Dynamic in nature** (can grow or shrink in size).

Applications

- Stacks and Queues:** Implemented using Linked Lists for dynamic memory use.
- Image viewer:** Forward navigation through images.
- Adjacency List of Graphs:** Used to store edges in graph implementations.

A **singly linked list** is a collection of nodes, where each node holds two pieces of information:

Data or payload: This is the actual information or value stored in the node.

Reference (or pointer) to the next node: It indicates the location of the next node in the list. **This reference connects nodes together, forming a sequential chain.**

Nodes: Nodes are the **building blocks** of a singly linked list.

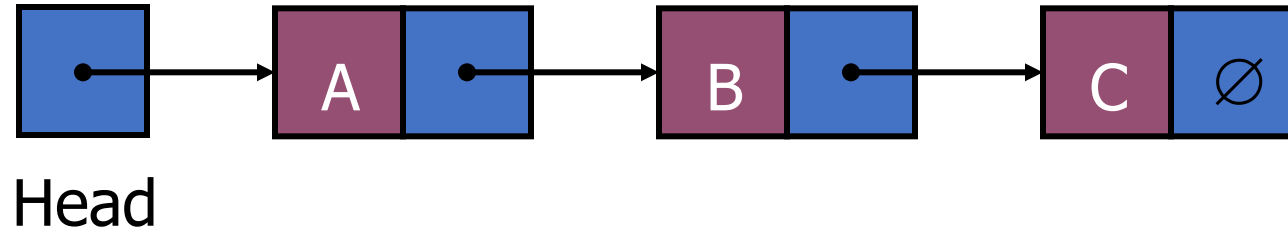
Each node contains **data and a reference** to the next node.

The **last node** in the list typically has a **reference pointing to nullptr** (or NULL in C++) to signify the end of the list.

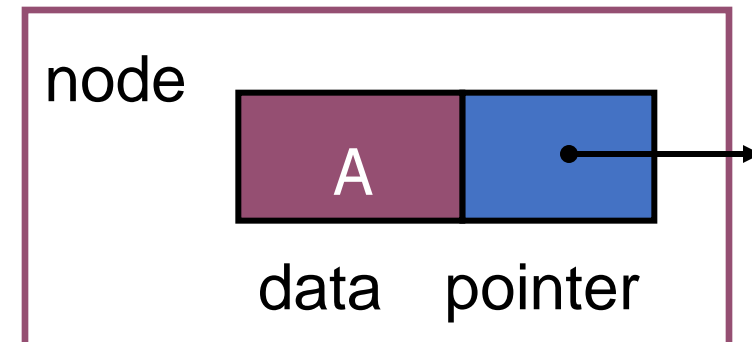
Head Pointer: A singly linked list is often managed using a "**head**" **pointer**, which **points to the first node in the list**.

This head pointer allows easy access to the list's elements and facilitates operations like traversal, insertion, and deletion.

Linked Lists

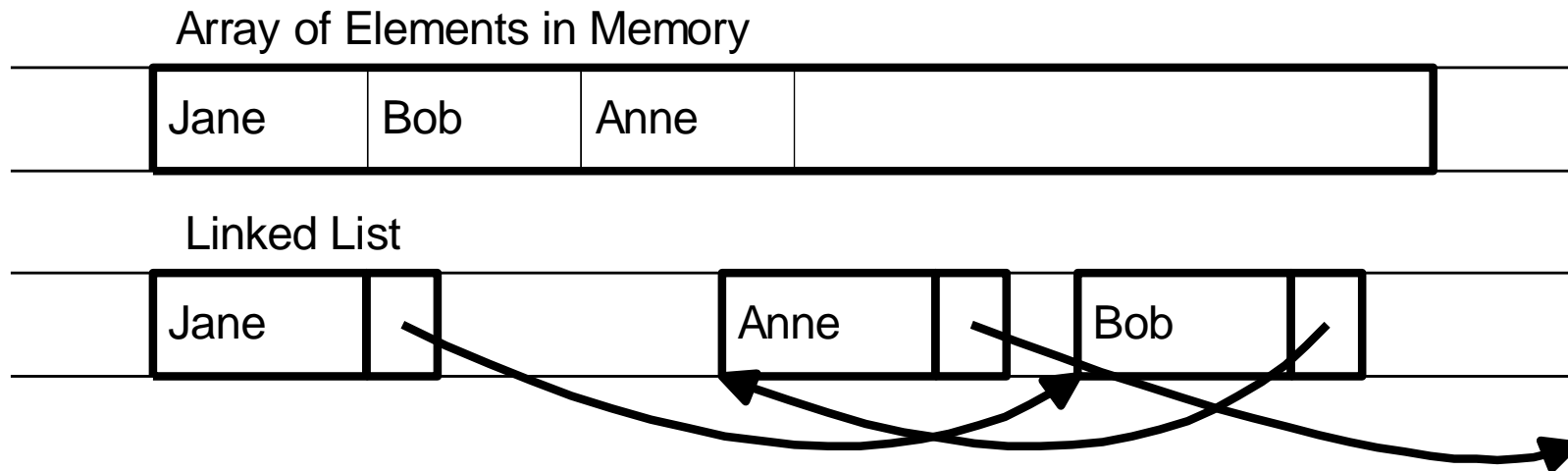


- A *linked list* is a series of connected *nodes*
- Each node contains at least
 - A piece of data (any type)
 - Pointer to the next node in the list
- *Head*: pointer to the first node
- The last node points to `NULL`



Dynamically Allocating Elements

- Allocate elements one at a time as needed, have each element keep track of the *next* element
- Result is referred to as linked list of elements, track next element with a pointer



Linked List Notes

- Need way to indicate end of list (**NULL pointer**)
- Need to know where list starts (**first element**)
- Each element needs pointer to next element (**its link**)
- Need way to allocate new element (**use new**)
- Need way to return element not needed any more (**use free**)
- Divide element into **data and pointer**

A Simple Linked List

- We have to make a **structure of node**.
- Define **values includes**
- Name a **link of same data type**

- Example

```
struct node{  
    int data;  
    node* next=NULL;  
};
```

A Simple Linked List Class

- Operations of `List`
 - **IsEmpty**: determine whether or not the list is empty
 - **InsertNode**: insert a new node at a particular position
 - **FindNode**: find a node with a given value
 - **DeleteNode**: delete a node with a given value
 - **DisplayList**: print all the nodes in the list

Inserting a new node

- Possible cases of **InsertNode**
 1. Insert into an empty list
 2. Insert in front
 3. Insert at back
 4. Insert in middle

Insert into an empty list

```
struct node
{
    int x;
    node* next;
};

node* head = nullptr;
```

```
void insertIntoEmptyList(Node*& head, int value)
{

    Node* newNode = new Node;
    newNode->data = value;
    newNode->next = nullptr;

    head = newNode;
}
```

Insert nodes at front

```
struct node
{
    int x;
    node* next;
};

node* head = nullptr;
```

```
void insertFront(int g)
{
    node* temp1 = new node();
    temp1->x = g;
    temp1->next = nullptr;

    if (head == nullptr)
    {
        head = temp1;
    }
    else
    {
        temp1->next = head;
        head = temp1;
    }
}
```

Insert at the end of node

```
void insertEnd(int g)
{
    struct node* temp1 = new node();
    temp1->x = g;
    temp1->next = nullptr;

    if (head == nullptr) {
        head = temp1;
        return;
    }

    struct node* pointer = head;
    while (pointer->next != nullptr) {
        pointer = pointer->next;
    }

    pointer->next = temp1;
}
```

```

// Define a structure for a node
struct Node {
    int data;
    Node* next;
};

int main() {
    // Create nodes
    Node* head = nullptr;
    Node* second = nullptr;
    Node* third = nullptr;

    // Allocate memory for nodes and populate data
    head = new Node();
    second = new Node();
    third = new Node();

    head->data = 1;
    head->next = second;

    second->data = 2;
    second->next = third;

    third->data = 3;
    third->next = nullptr; // End of the list

```

```

// Traversal: Display the linked list
Node* current = head;
while (current != nullptr) {
    cout << current->data << " -> ";
    current = current->next;
}
cout << "nullptr" << std::endl;

// Deallocate memory (cleanup)
delete head;
delete second;
delete third;

return 0;
}

```

Traverse the nodes

```
struct Node {  
    int data;  
    Node* next;  
};
```

```
Node* head = nullptr;
```

```
void traverse() {  
    Node* current = head;  
  
    if (current == nullptr) {  
        cout << "Empty list" << endl;  
        return;  
    }  
  
    while (current != nullptr) {  
        cout << "Node value is " << current->data << endl;  
        current = current->next;  
    }  
}
```

Insert in middle

```
bool insertInMiddle(Node*& head, int value, int position)
{
    if (position <= 0) {
        cout << "Invalid position for insertion." <<endl;
        return false;
    }

    Node* newNode = new Node;
    newNode->data = value;
    newNode->next = nullptr;

    if (position == 1 || head == nullptr) {
        // Insert at the beginning or into an empty list
        newNode->next = head;
        head = newNode;
        return true;
    }
```

```
    Node* current = head;
    int currentPosition = 1;

    while (currentPosition < position - 1 && current->next != nullptr)
    {
        current = current->next;
        currentPosition++;
    }

    newNode->next = current->next;
    current->next = newNode;
    return true;
}
```

Insert in middle

Idea of middle node insertion

- Where to insert
- Pointers
- Make links
- Update links

Insert element at index n

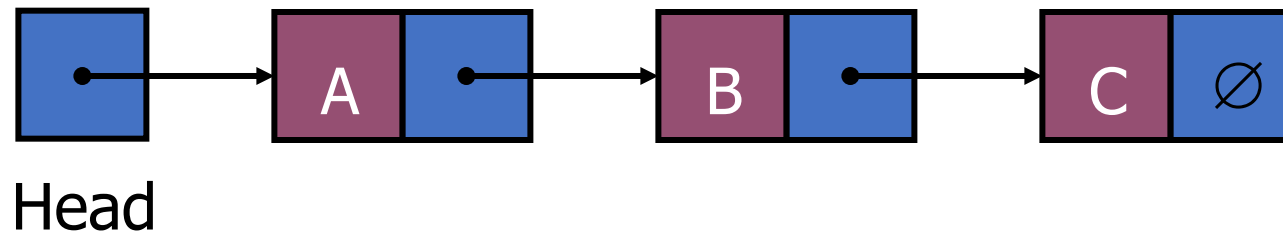
Create a node and set some value and set link to NULL

Run loop from 0 to n-1 iterations to traverse the list

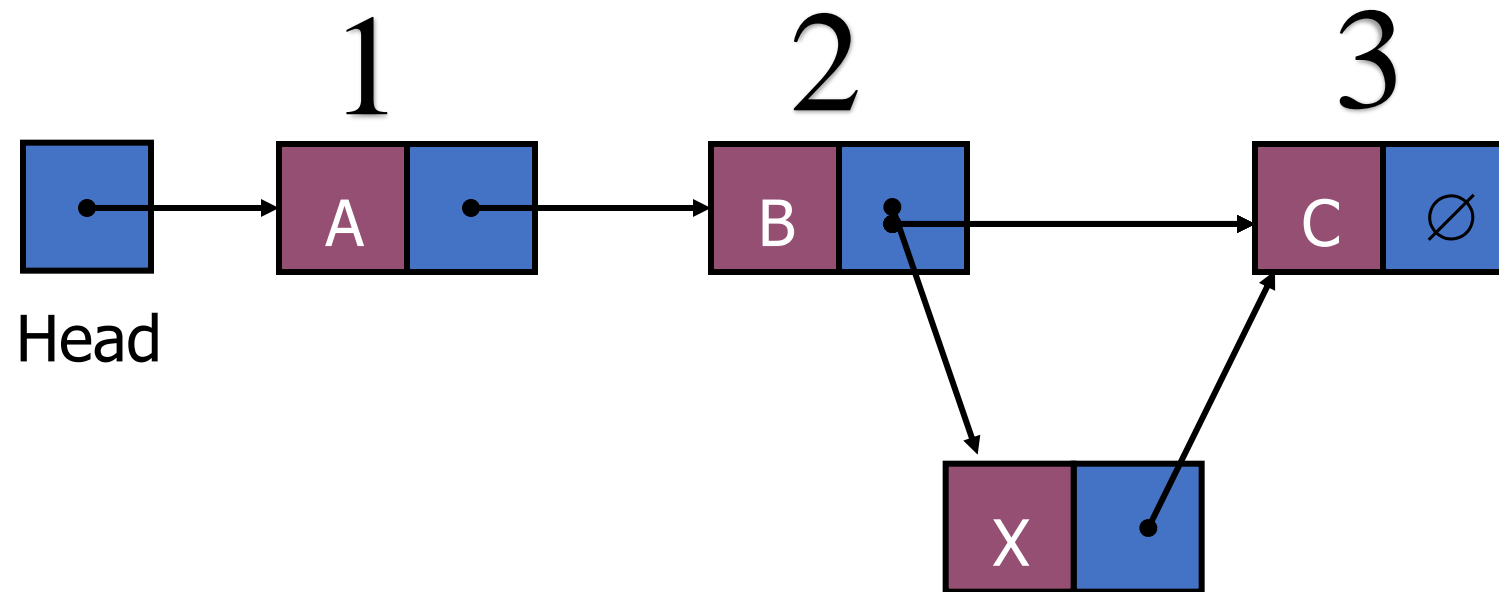
Insert the new node at that place

Track the links

Display the list



Insert at 3rd place (Between 2-3)



Actual code for insert(g,n)

- `struct node* newnode = new node();`
- `newnode->x=g;`
- `struct node* temp2=head;`
- `if (n==1){ newnode->next=head;`
- `head=newnode; return;`
- `}`
- `for(int i=1;i<n-1;i++) { temp2=temp2->next; }`
- `newnode->next=temp2->next;`
- `temp2->next=newnode;`

Insert nodes at front (compact)

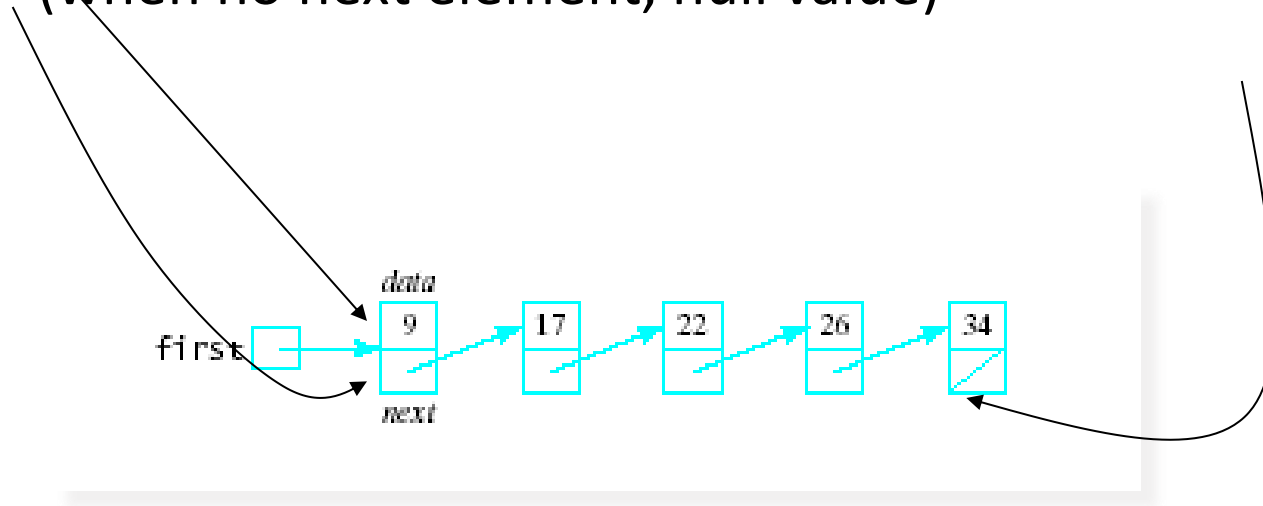
```
struct node* temp1 = new node();  
    temp1->x=g;  
    temp1->next=NULL;  
    if(head!=NULL)  
        temp1->next=head;  
    head = temp1;
```

Applications of Singly Linked List:

- ❖ **Dynamic memory allocation** in data structures like stacks and queues.
- ❖ **Adjacency lists** in graph representation.
- ❖ **Polynomial manipulations**, where each node holds coefficients and exponents.
- ❖ **Symbol tables** in compilers.
- ❖ **Navigation through images** in image viewer apps.
- ❖ **Hash tables** using chaining for collision resolution.

Linked List

- Linked list nodes contain
 - Data part – stores an element of the list
 - Next part – stores link/pointer to next element
(when no next element, null value)



Implementation Overview

A Simple Linked List Class

- We use two classes: **Node** and **List**
- Declare `Node` class for the nodes
 - `data`: `double`-type data in this example
 - `next`: a pointer to the next node in the list

```
class Node {  
    public:  
        double data; // data  
        Node* next;  // pointer to next  
};
```

A Simple Linked List Class

- Declare `List`, which contains
 - `head`: a pointer to the first node in the list.Since the list is empty initially, `head` is set to `NULL`

```
class List {  
public:  
    List(void) { head = NULL; }           // constructor  
    ~List(void);                          // destructor  
  
    bool IsEmpty() { return head == NULL; }  
    Node* InsertNode(int index, double x);  
    int FindNode(double x);  
    int DeleteNode(double x);  
    void DisplayList(void);  
  
private:  
    Node* head;  
  
};
```


A Simple Linked List Class

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Inserting a new node


- Possible cases of `InsertNode`
 1. Insert into an empty list
 2. Insert in front
 3. Insert at back
 4. Insert in middle
- But, in fact, only need to handle two cases
 - Insert as the first node (Case 1 and Case 2)
 - Insert in the middle or at the end of the list (Case 3 and Case 4)

```
Node* List::InsertNode(int index, double x) {  
    if (index < 0) return NULL;
```

```
    int currIndex          = 1;  
    Node* currNode         = head;  
    while (currNode && index > currIndex) {  
        currNode = currNode->next;  
        currIndex++;  
    }  
    if (index > 0 && currNode == NULL) return NULL;
```

```
    Node* newNode = new Node;  
    newNode->data = x;  
    if (index == 0) {  
        newNode->next = head;  
        head = newNode;  
    }  
    else {  
        newNode->next = currNode->next;  
        currNode->next = newNode;  
    }  
    return newNode;
```

```
}
```



Try to locate
index'th node. If
it doesn't exist,
return NULL.

```

Node* List::InsertNode(int index, double x) {
    if (index < 0) return NULL;

    int currIndex          =          1;
    Node* currNode          =          head;
    while (currNode && index > currIndex) {
        currNode = currNode->next;
        currIndex++;
    }
    if (index > 0 && currNode == NULL) return NULL;

    Node* newNode = new Node;
    newNode->data = x;
    if (index == 0) {
        newNode->next = head;
        head = newNode;
    }
    else {
        newNode->next = currNode->next;
        currNode->next = newNode;
    }
    return newNode;
}

```

Create a new node

```

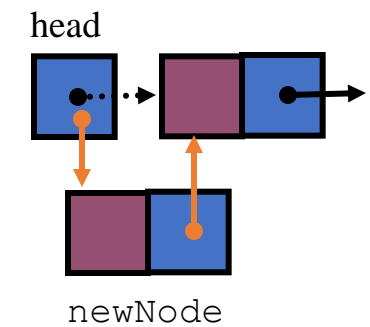
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    if (index < 0) return NULL;

    int currIndex          =          1;
    Node* currNode          =          head;
    while (currNode && index > currIndex) {
        currNode = currNode->next;
        currIndex++;
    }
    if (index > 0 && currNode == NULL) return NULL;

    Node* newNode = new Node;
    newNode->data = x;
    if (index == 0) {
        newNode->next = head;
        head = newNode;
    }
    else {
        newNode->next = currNode->next;
        currNode->next = newNode;
    }
    return newNode;
}

```

Insert as first element



```

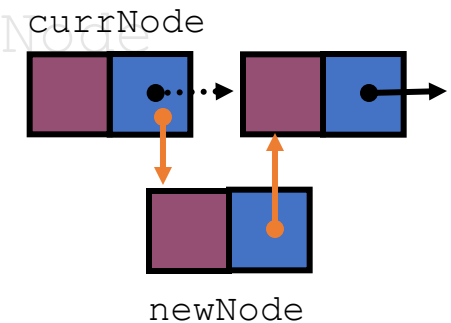
Node* List::InsertNode(int index, double x) {
    if (index < 0) return NULL;

    int currIndex          =          1;
    Node* currNode          =          head;
    while (currNode && index > currIndex) {
        currNode = currNode->next;
        currIndex++;
    }
    if (index > 0 && currNode == NULL) return NULL;

    Node* newNode = new Node;
    newNode->data = x;
    if (index == 0) {
        newNode->next = head;
        head = newNode;
    }
    else {
        newNode->next = currNode->next;
        currNode->next = newNode;
    }
    return newNode;
}

```

Insert after

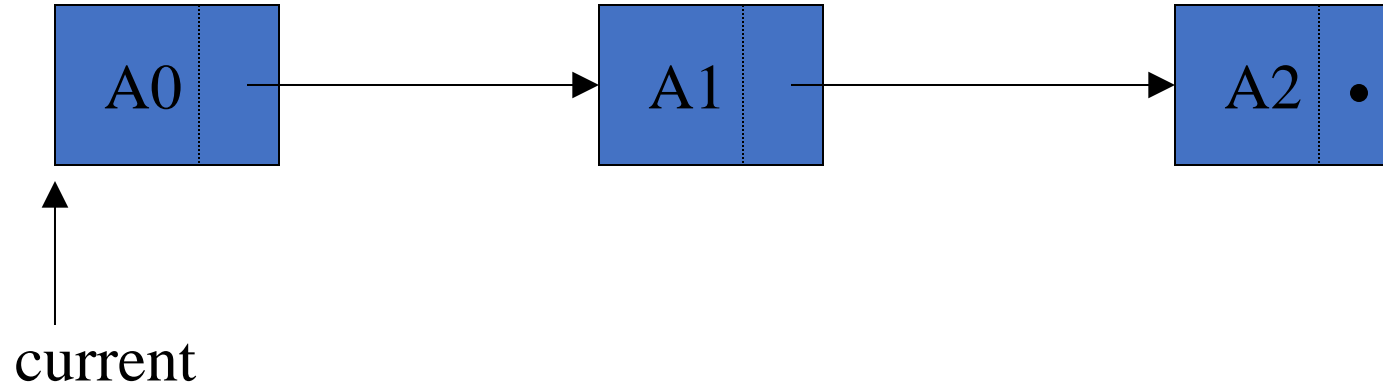


Finding a node

- `int FindNode(double x)`
 - Search for a node with the value equal to `x` in the list.
 - If such a node is found, return its position. Otherwise, return 0.

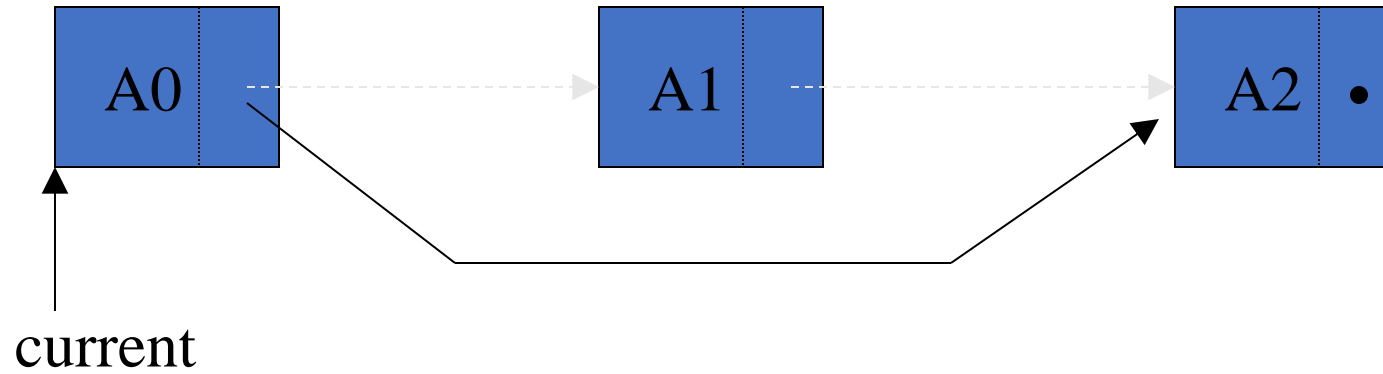
```
int List::FindNode(double x) {  
    Node* currNode      = head;  
    int currIndex = 1;  
    while (currNode && currNode->data != x) {  
        currNode      = currNode->next;  
        currIndex++;  
    }  
    if (currNode) return currIndex;  
    return 0;  
}
```

Deleting a node



```
current->next = current->next->next;
```


Deleting a node

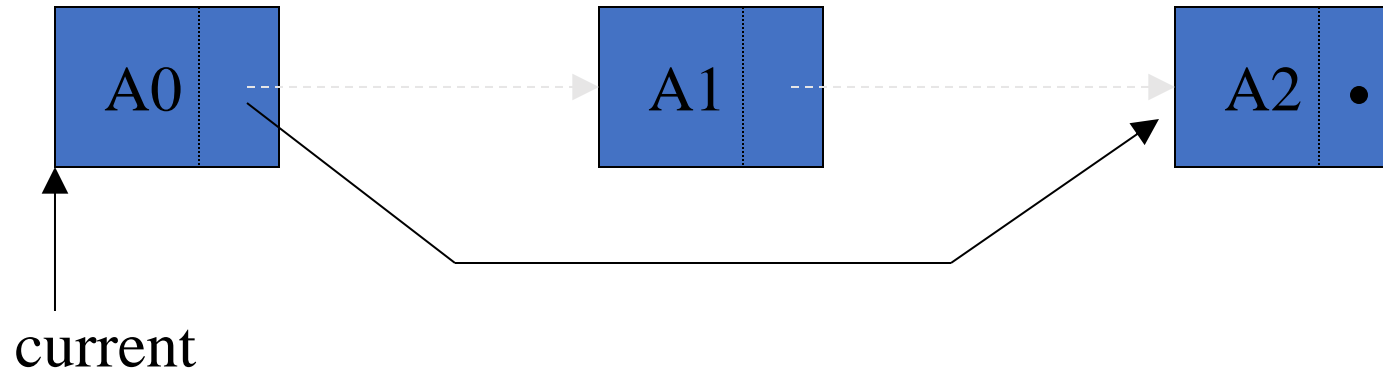


```
Current->next = current->next->next;
```

leak!

Memory

Deleting a node



```
Node *deletedNode = current->next;  
current->next = current->next->next;  
delete deletedNode;
```

Deleting a node

■ *int DeleteNode(double x)*

- ☐ Delete a node with the value equal to x from the list.
- ☐ If such a node is found, return its position. Otherwise, return 0

.

■ Steps

- ☐ Find the desirable node (similar to `FindNode`)
- ☐ Release the memory occupied by the found node
- ☐ Set the pointer of the predecessor of the found node to the successor of the found node

■ Like `InsertNode`, there are two special cases

- ☐ Delete first node
- ☐ Delete the node in middle or at the end of the list

```
int List::DeleteNode(double x) {
```

```
    Node* prevNode    =    NULL;
```

```
    Node* currNode    =    head;
```

```
    int currIndex    =    1;
```

```
    while (currNode && currNode->data != x) {
```

```
        prevNode    =    currNode;
```

```
        currNode    =    currNode->next;
```

```
        currIndex++;
```

```
    }
```

```
    if (currNode) {
```

```
        if (prevNode) {
```

```
            prevNode->next    =    currNode->next;
```

```
            delete currNode;
```

```
        }
```

```
        else {
```

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

```
            delete currNode;
```

```
        }
```

```
        return currIndex;
```

```
    }
```

```
    return 0;
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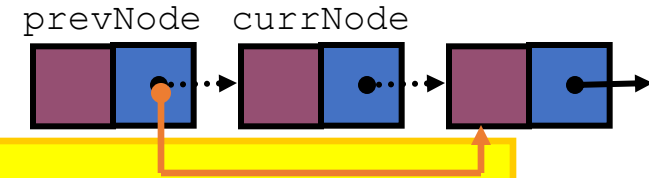
```
}
```

Try to find the node
with its value equal to x

```

int List::DeleteNode(double x) {
    Node* prevNode    = NULL;
    Node* currNode    = head;
    int currIndex      = 1;
    while (currNode && currNode->data != x) {
        prevNode      = currNode;
        currNode      = currNode->next;
        currIndex++;
    }
    if (currNode) {
        if (prevNode) {
            prevNode->next = currNode->next;
            delete currNode;
        }
        else {
            head = currNode->next;
            delete currNode;
        }
        return currIndex;
    }
    return 0;
}

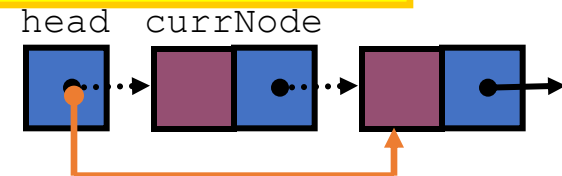
```



```

int List::DeleteNode(double x) {
    Node* prevNode    =    NULL;
    Node* currNode    =    head;
    int currIndex      =    1;
    while (currNode && currNode->data != x) {
        prevNode    =    currNode;
        currNode    =    currNode->next;
        currIndex++;
    }
    if (currNode) {
        if (prevNode) {
            prevNode->next    =    currNode->next;
            delete currNode;
        }
        else {
            head    =    currNode->next;
            delete currNode;
        }
        return currIndex;
    }
    return 0;
}

```



Printing all the elements

- *void DisplayList(void)*
 - Print the data of all the elements
 - Print the number of the nodes in the list

```
void List::DisplayList()
{
    int num                = 0;
    Node* currNode        = head;
    while (currNode != NULL){
        cout << currNode->data << endl;
        currNode = currNode->next;
        num++;
    }
    cout << "Number of nodes in the list: " << num << endl;
}
```

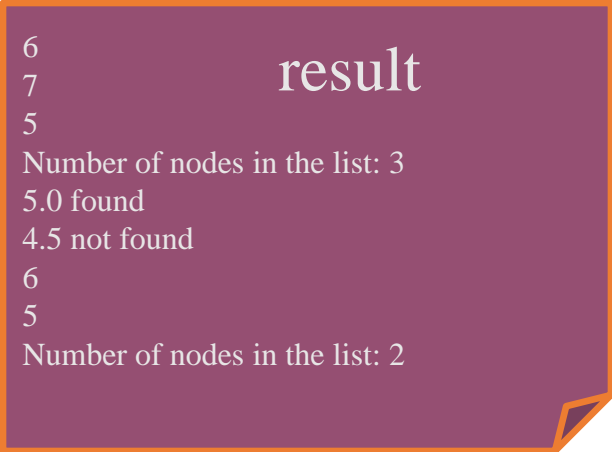
Destroying the list

- *~List(void)*
 - Use the destructor to release all the memory used by the list.
 - Step through the list and delete each node one by one.

```
List::~~List(void) {  
    Node* currNode = head, *nextNode = NULL;  
    while (currNode != NULL)  
    {  
        nextNode = currNode->next;  
        // destroy the current node  
        delete currNode;  
        currNode = nextNode;  
    }  
}
```


Using List

```
int main(void)
{
    List list;
    list.InsertNode(0, 7.0);           // successful
    list.InsertNode(1, 5.0);           // successful
    list.InsertNode(-1, 5.0);          // unsuccessful
    list.InsertNode(0, 6.0);           // successful
    list.InsertNode(8, 4.0);           // unsuccessful
    // print all the elements
    list.DisplayList();
    if(list.FindNode(5.0) > 0)         cout << "5.0 found" << endl;
    else                               cout << "5.0 not found" << endl;
    if(list.FindNode(4.5) > 0)         cout << "4.5 found" << endl;
    else                               cout << "4.5 not found" << endl;
    list.DeleteNode(7.0);
    list.DisplayList();
    return 0;
}
```



6
7
5
Number of nodes in the list: 3
5.0 found
4.5 not found
6
5
Number of nodes in the list: 2

result

Linked Lists - Advantages

- Access any item as long as external link to first item maintained
- Insert new item without shifting
- Delete existing item without shifting
- Can expand/contract (flexible) as necessary

Linked Lists - Disadvantages

- Overhead of links:

- ☐ used only internally, pure overhead

- If dynamic, must provide

- ☐ destructor
- ☐ copy constructor
- ☐ assignment operator

- No longer have direct access to each element of the list

- ☐ Many sorting algorithms need direct access
- ☐ Binary search needs direct access

- Access of n^{th} item now less efficient

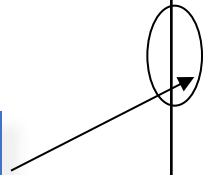
- ☐ must go through first element, then second, and then third, etc.

Linked Lists - Disadvantages

- List-processing algorithms that require fast access to each element cannot be done as efficiently with linked lists.
- Consider adding an element at the end of the list

Array	Linked List
<pre>a[size++] = value;</pre>	<p>Get a new node; set data part = value next part = <i>null_value</i></p> <p>If list is empty Set first to point to new node.</p> <p>Else</p> <p>Traverse list to find last node Set next part of last node to point to new node.</p>

This is the inefficient part



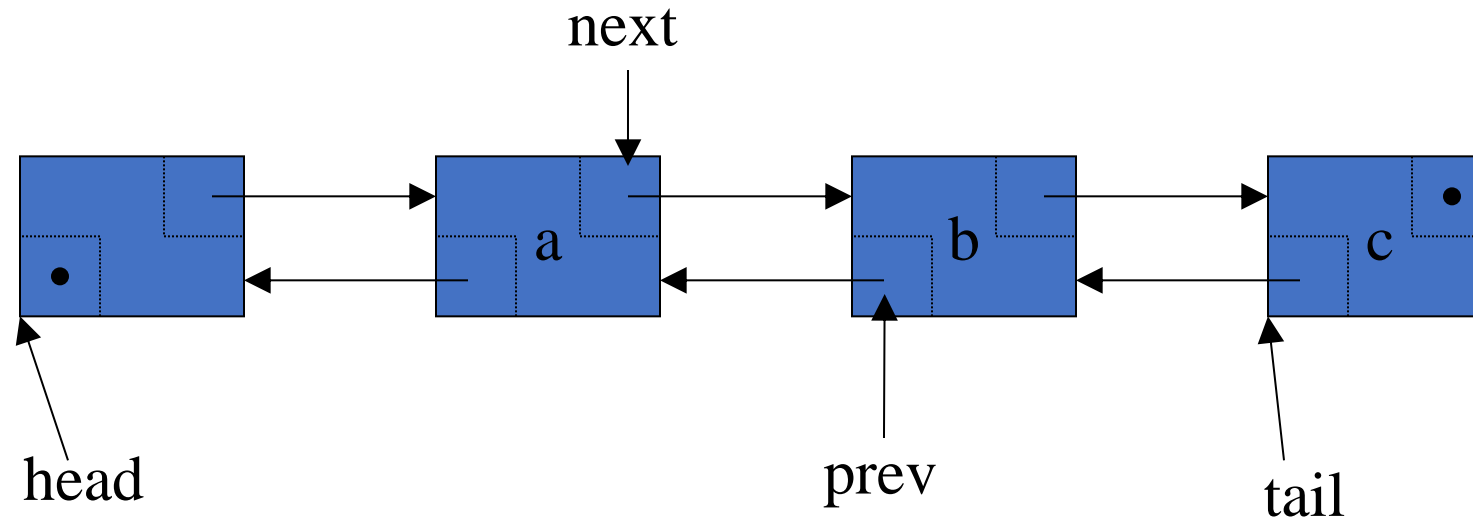
Some Applications?

■ A linked list would be a reasonably good choice for implementing any of the following:

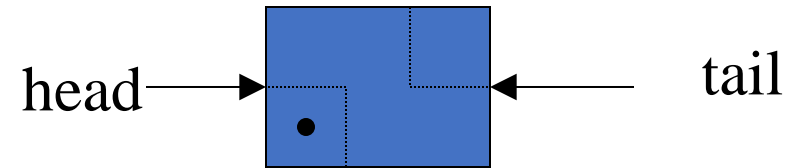
1. Applications that have an **MRU** list (a linked list of file names)
2. The cache in your browser that allows you to hit the **BACK** button (a linked list of URLs)
3. Undo functionality in Photoshop or Word (a linked list of state)
4. A list in the GPS of the turns along your route

Can we go back in current implementation?

Doubly Linked Lists

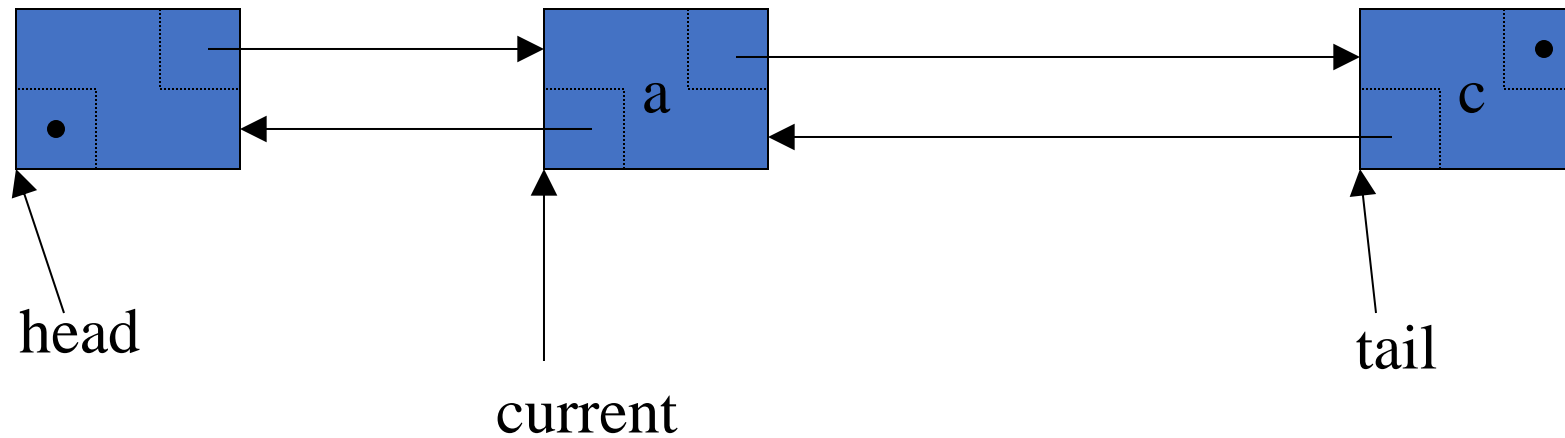


Consider how hard it is to back up in a singly linked list.



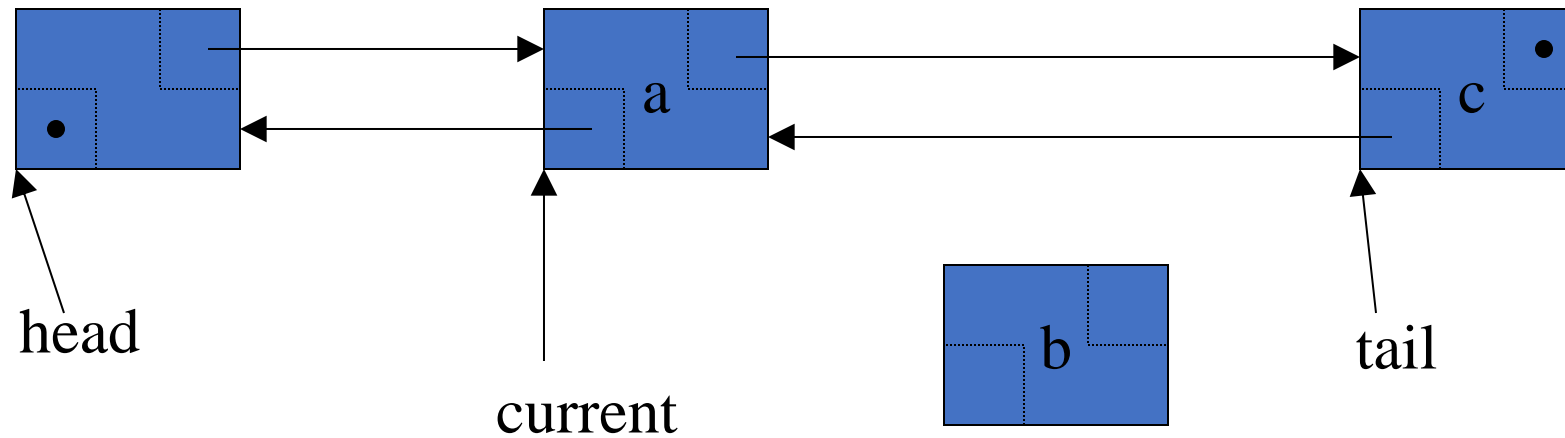
```
// Adding first node  
head = new DoubleListNode;  
head->next = null;  
head->prev = null;  
tail = head;
```

Inserting into a Doubly Linked List



```
newNode = new DoublyLinkedListNode
newNode->prev = current;
newNode->next = current->next;
newNode->prev->next = newNode;
newNode->next->prev = newNode;
current = newNode
```


Inserting into a Doubly Linked List



```
newNode = new DoublyLinkedListNode
```

```
newNode->prev = current;
```

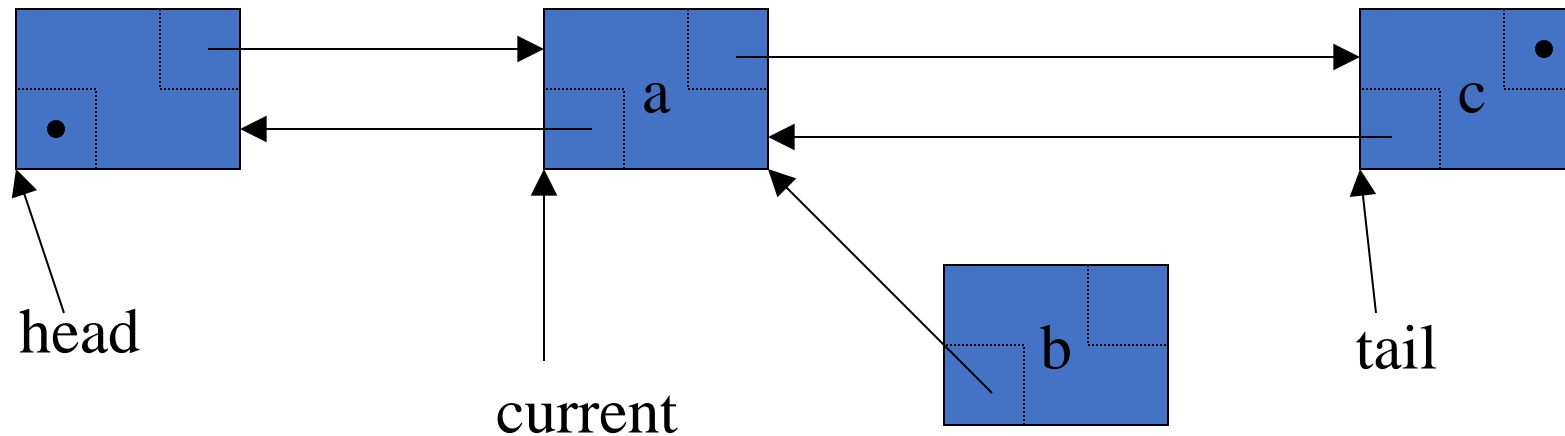
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newNode->next = current->next;
```

```
newNode->prev->next = newNode;
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newNode->next->prev = newNode;
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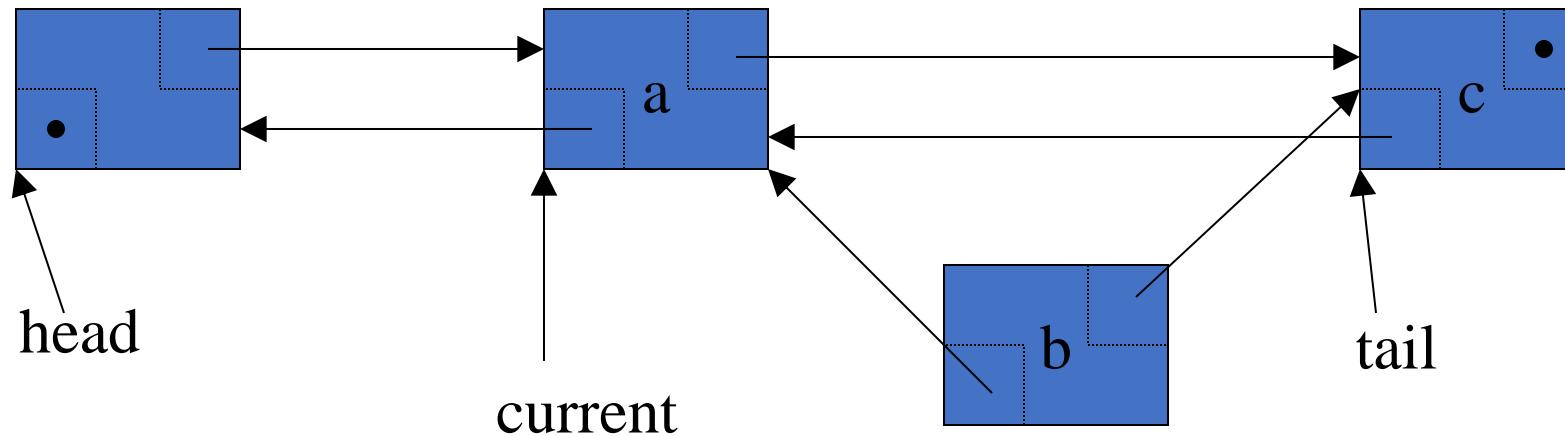
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current = newNode
```

Inserting into a Doubly Linked List



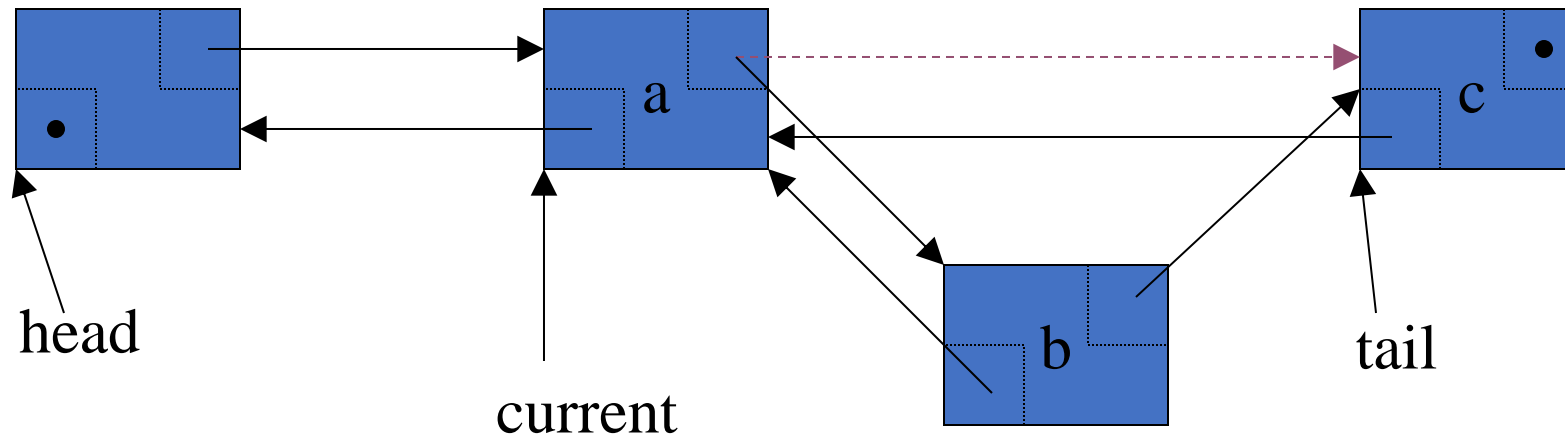
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newNode = new DoublyLinkedListNode
newNode->prev = current;
newNode->next = current->next;
newNode->prev->next = newNode;
newNode->next->prev = newNode;
current = newNode
```

Inserting into a Doubly Linked List



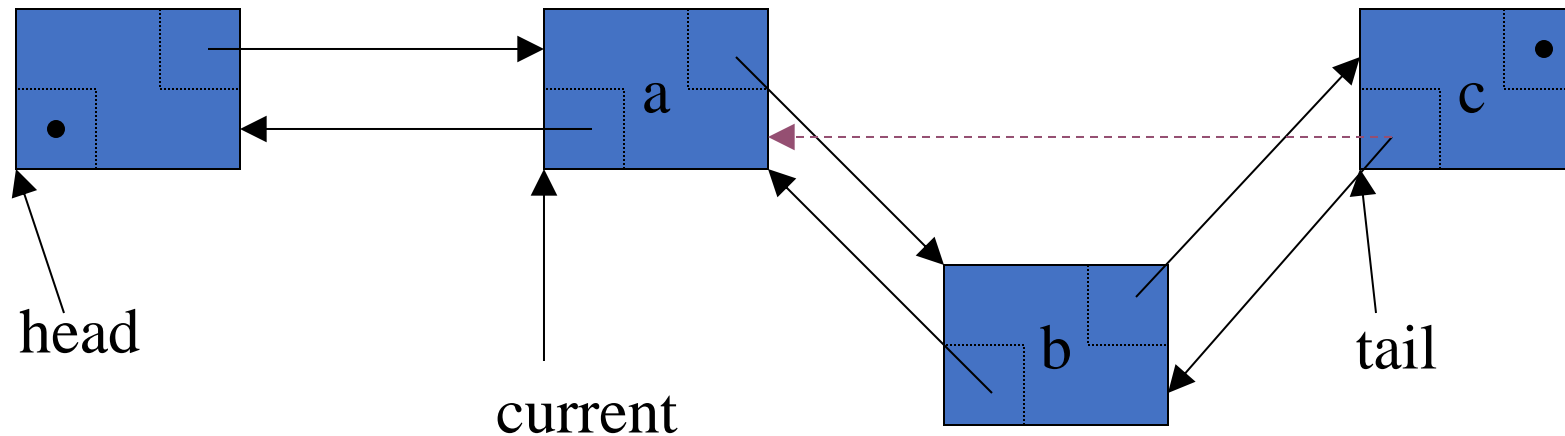
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newNode = new DoublyLinkedListNode
newNode->prev = current;
newNode->next = current->next;
newNode->prev->next = newNode;
newNode->next->prev = newNode;
current = newNode
```

Inserting into a Doubly Linked List



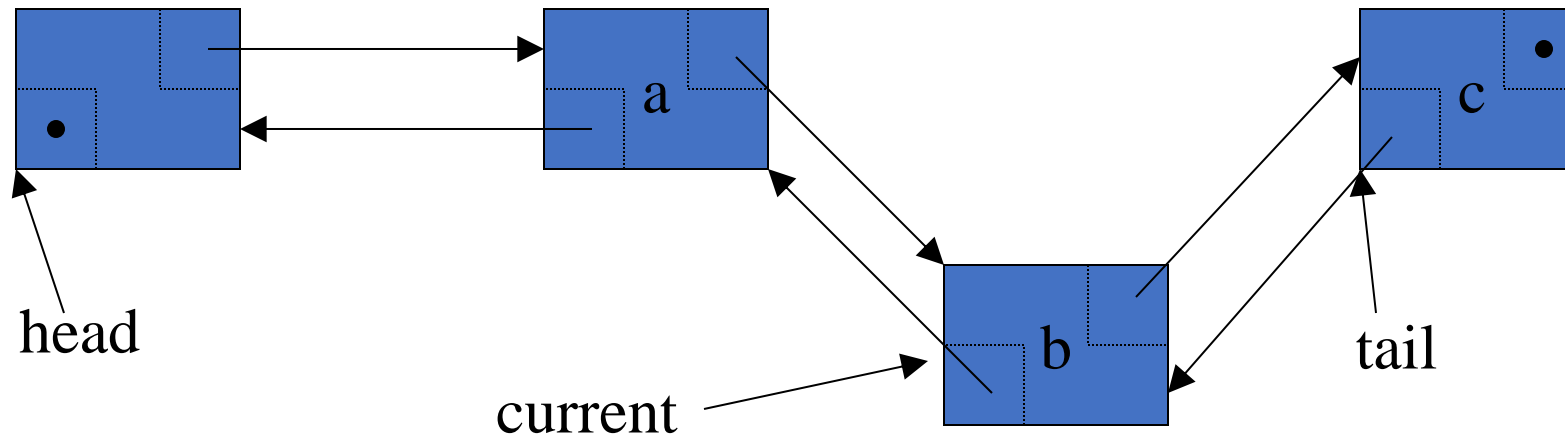
```
newNode = new DoublyLinkedListNode
newNode->prev = current;
newNode->next = current->next;
newNode->prev->next = newNode; // current->next=newNode;
newNode->next->prev = newNode;
current = newNode
```

Inserting into a Doubly Linked List



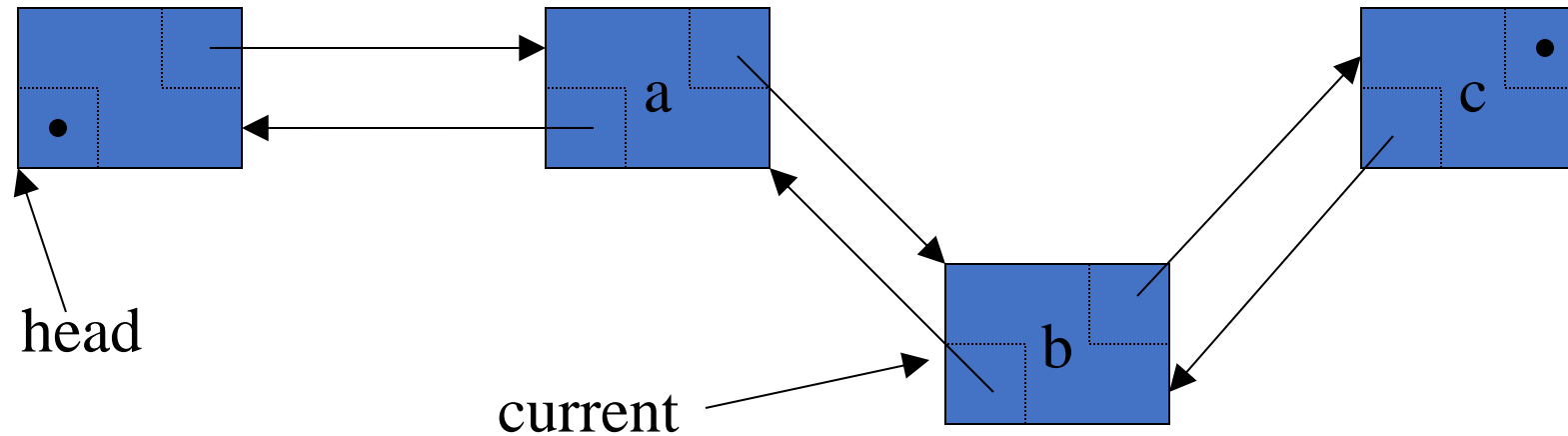
```
newNode = new DoublyLinkedListNode
newNode->prev = current;
newNode->next = current->next;
newNode->prev->next = newNode;
newNode->next->prev = newNode;
current = newNode
```

Inserting into a Doubly Linked List



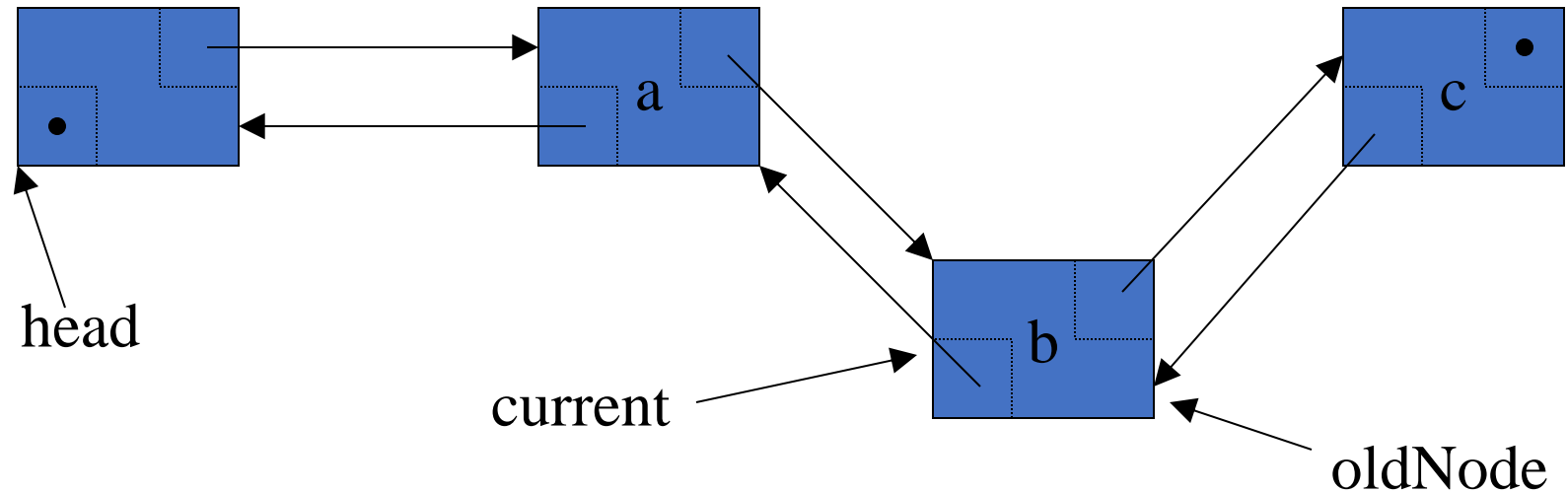
```
newNode = new DoublyLinkedListNode
newNode->prev = current;
newNode->next = current->next;
newNode->prev->next = newNode;
newNode->next->prev = newNode;
current = newNode
```

Deleting an element from a double linked list



```
oldNode=current;  
oldNode->prev->next = oldNode->next;  
oldNode->next->prev = oldNode->prev;  
current = oldNode->prev;  
delete oldNode;
```

Deleting an element from a double linked list



```
oldNode=current;
```

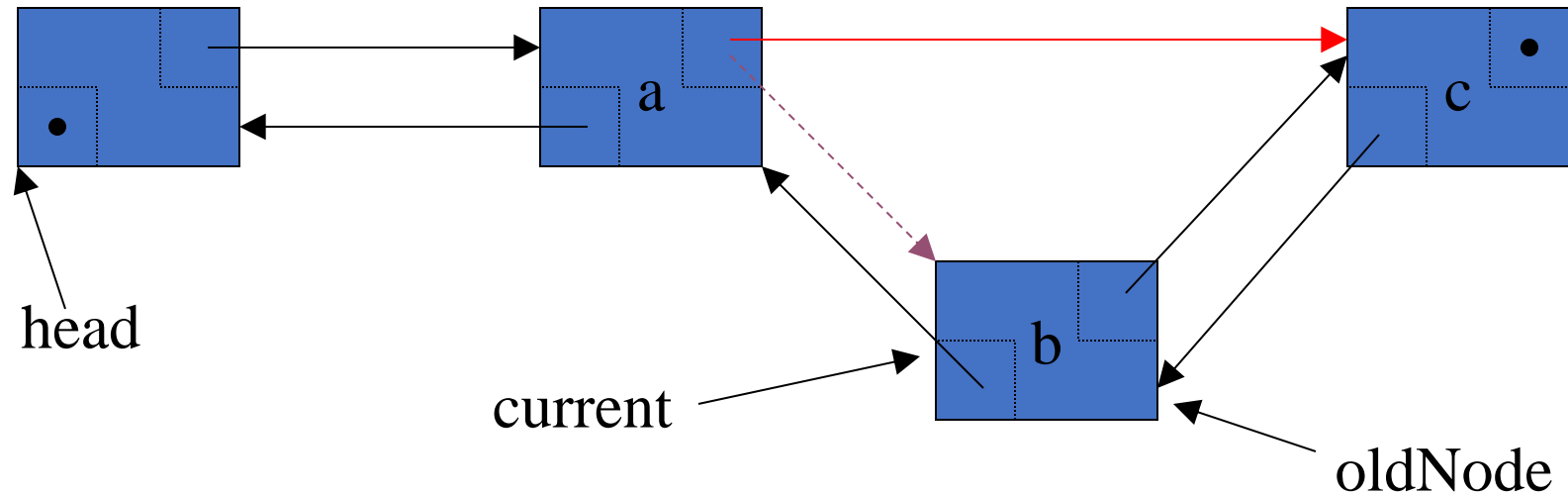
```
oldNode->prev->next = oldNode->next;
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```
oldNode->next->prev = oldNode->prev;
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current = oldNode->prev;
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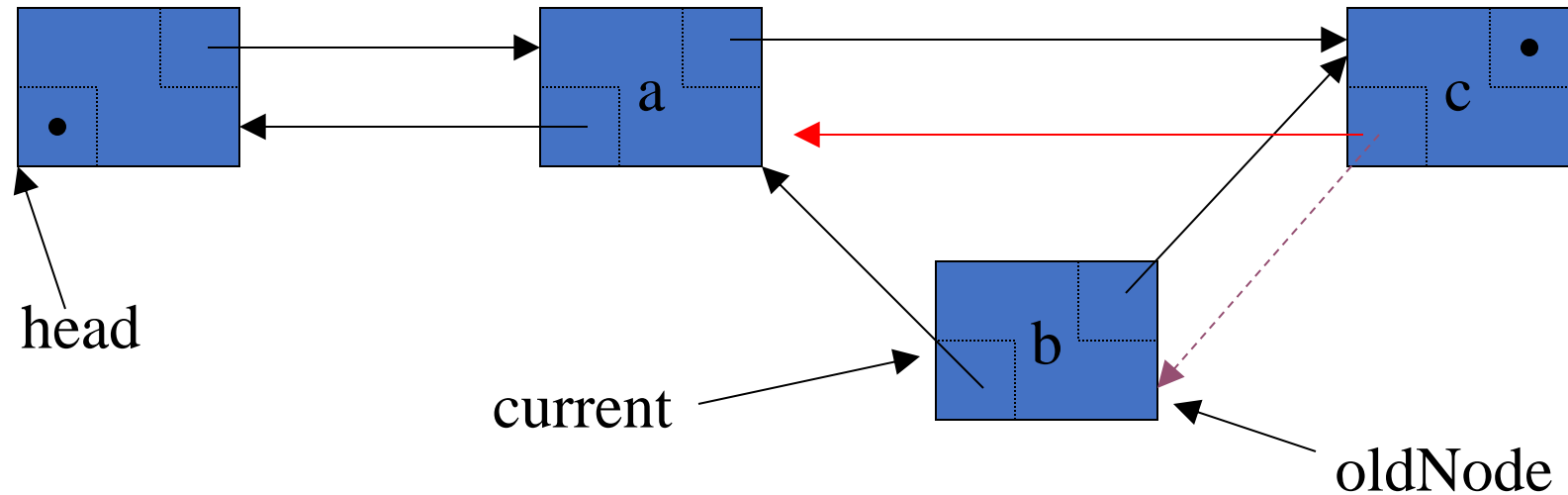
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delete oldNode;
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Deleting an element from a double linked list



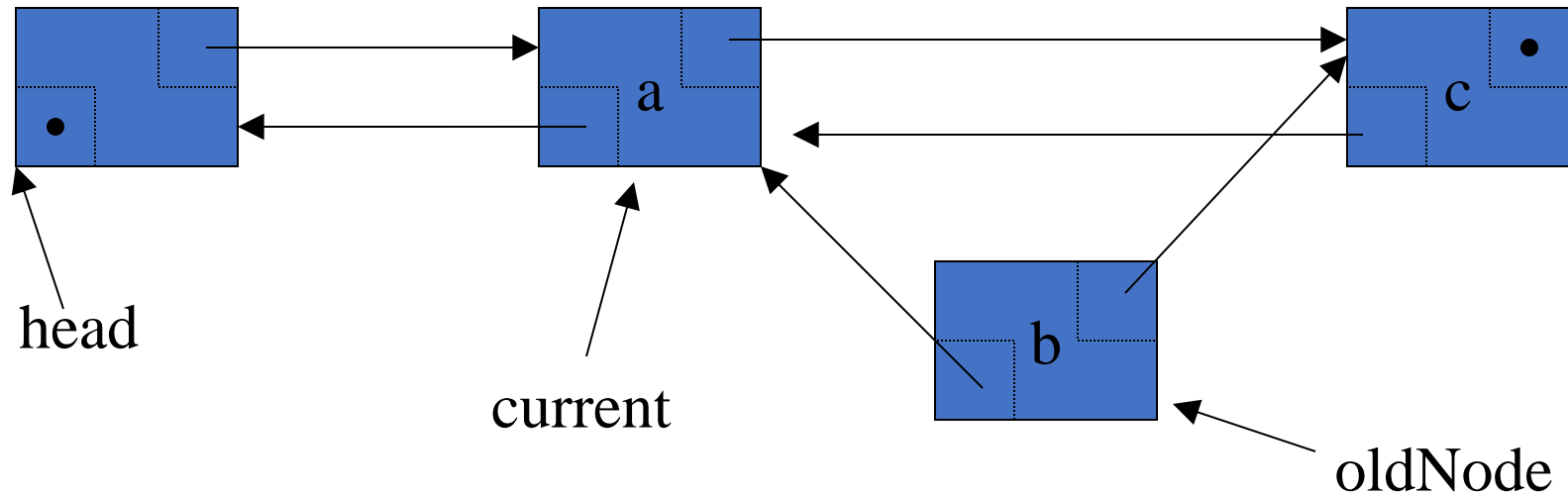
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oldNode=current;  
oldNode->prev->next = oldNode->next;  
oldNode->next->prev = oldNode->prev;  
current = oldNode->prev;  
delete oldNode;
```

Deleting an element from a double linked list



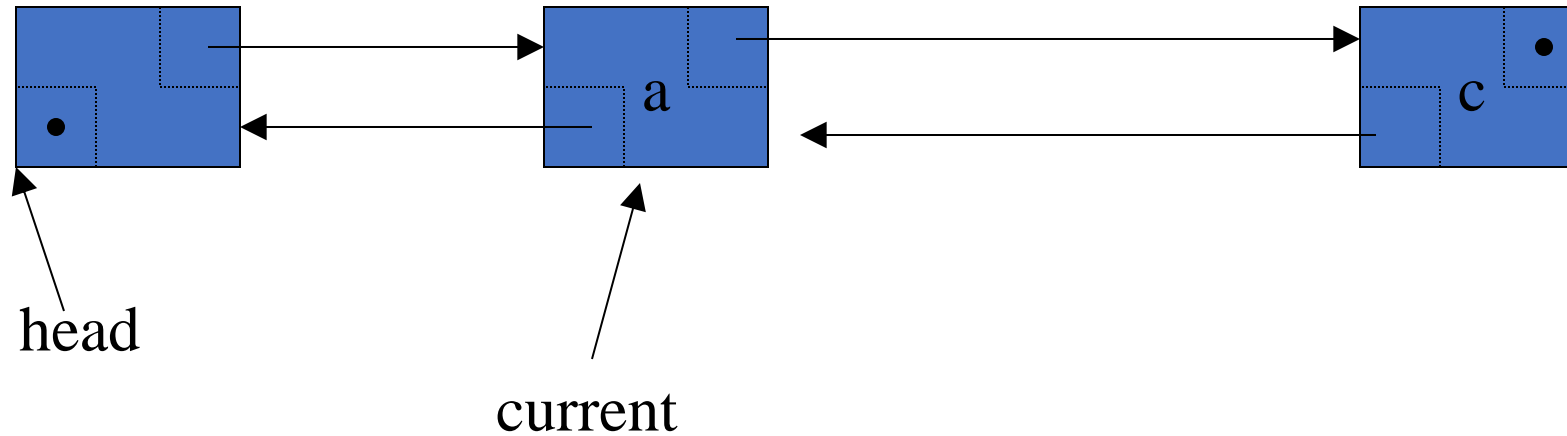
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oldNode=current;  
oldNode->prev->next = oldNode->next;  
oldNode->next->prev = oldNode->prev;  
current = oldNode->prev;  
delete oldNode;
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Deleting an element from a double linked list



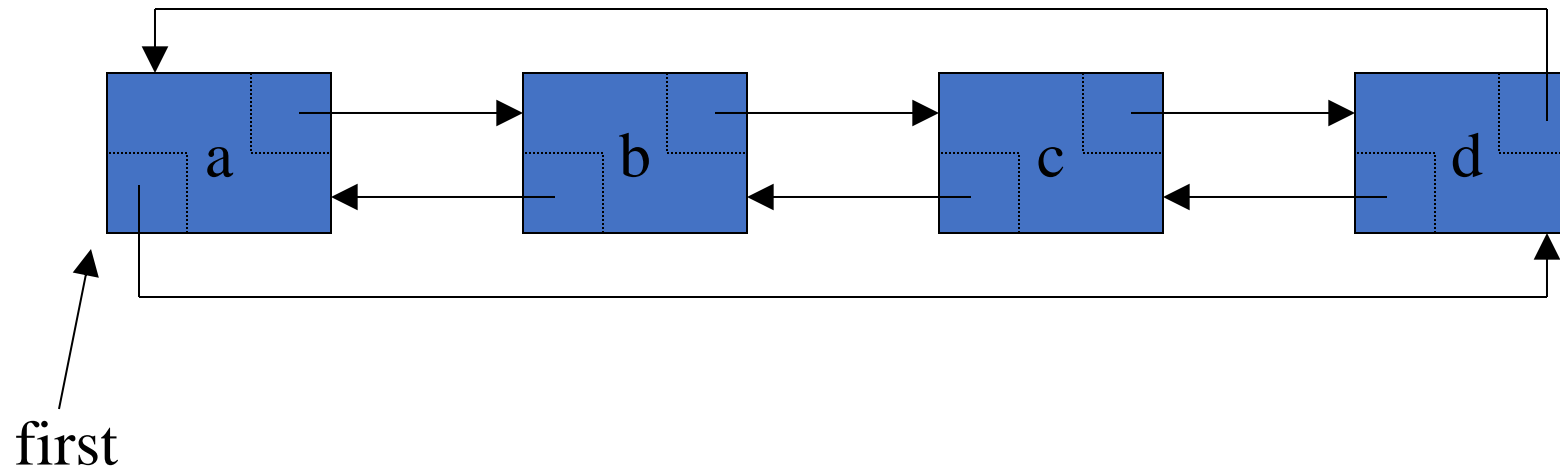
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oldNode=current;  
oldNode->prev->next = oldNode->next;  
oldNode->next->prev = oldNode->prev;  
current = oldNode->prev;  
delete oldNode;
```

Deleting an element from a double linked list



```
oldNode=current;  
oldNode->prev->next = oldNode->next;  
oldNode->next->prev = oldNode->prev;  
current = oldNode->prev;  
delete oldNode;
```

Circular Linked lists



Sorted Linked List

A sorted linked list is one in which items are in sorted order. It can be derived from a list class.

What is improved?

InsertNode operation? **No**

DeleteNode & SearchNode operations? **Yes**

Thank you