

[Polynomial Arithmetic with Linked List]

A useful application of linked list is the representation of polynomial expression. For example:-

$$5x^4 + x^3 + 6x + 2$$

In each term we have an coefficient & an exponent. For eg., in the term $5x^4$, coefficient is 5 & exponent is 4.

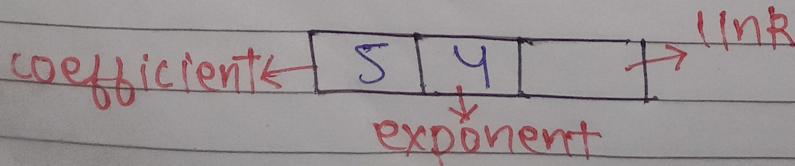
The whole polynomial is represented through Linked List where each node will represent a term of the expression.

The structure of each node will be -

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struct node
{
    float coefficient;
    int exponent;
    struct node *link;
};
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Here, the info part of the node contains coefficient & exponent & the link part is same as before & will be used to point to the next node of the list.

The node representation of the term $5x^4$ can be represented as:-

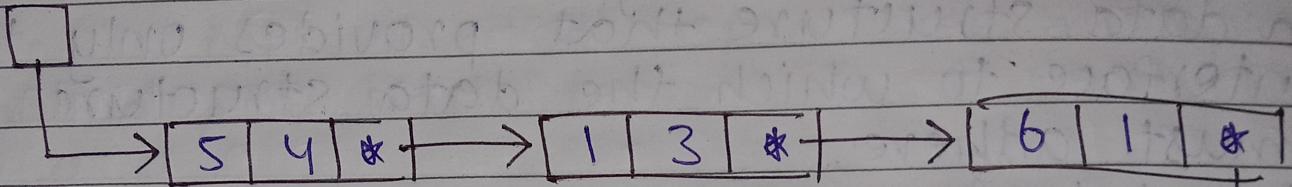


The polynomial,

$$5x^4 + x^3 + 6x + 2$$

can be represented through linked list
as :-

start



* Here, 2 is considered as
 $2x^0$, because $x^0 = 1$.

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