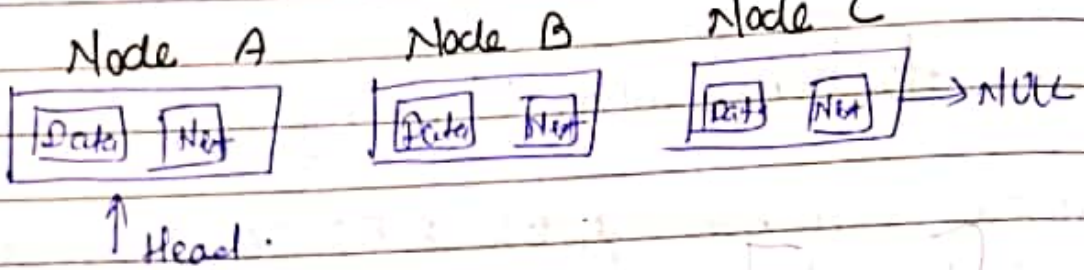
# Linked List

1) It is linear Data structures [not a contiguous]
2) elements are linked using pointers
3) linked list consists of nodes where each node contains a data field and a reference (link) to the next node in the list.




## Linked vs Arrays

(1) Advantages :-
   (1) Dynamic size
   (2) Ease of insertion / deletion.

(2) Disadvantages :-
   (1) Random access is not allowed.
   We have to access elements sequentially starting from the first node.
   (2) Extra memory space for a pointer
   (3) Not cache friendly. [locality of reference not present]

## Operations of linked list

(1) Traversing a LL
(2) Append a new node to the end of LL
(3) Prepend a new node to the start of LL
(4) Inserting a new node to a specific position in LL
(5) Deleting node from the LL
(6) Updating a node in the LL

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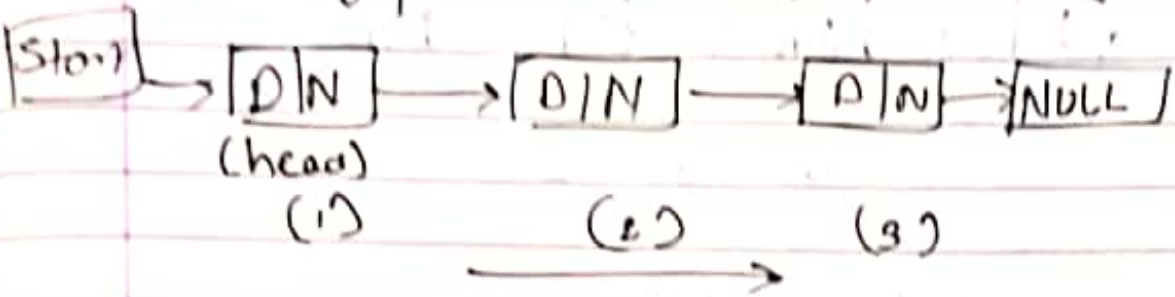
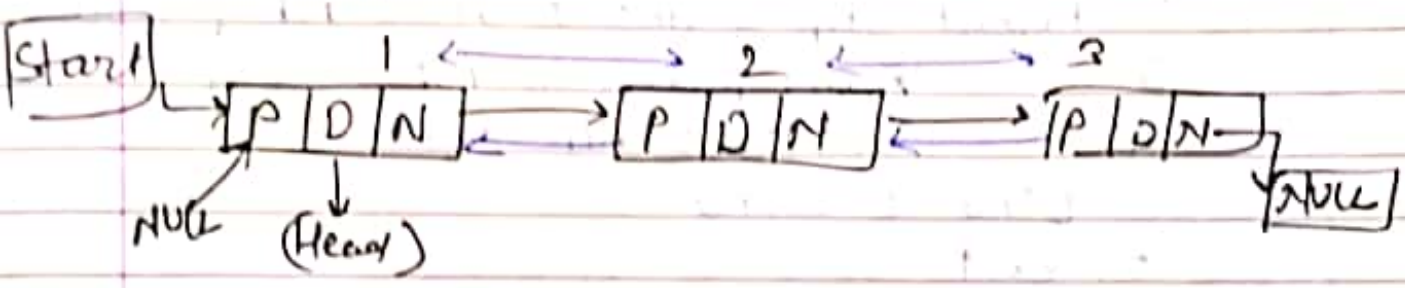
Types of LL

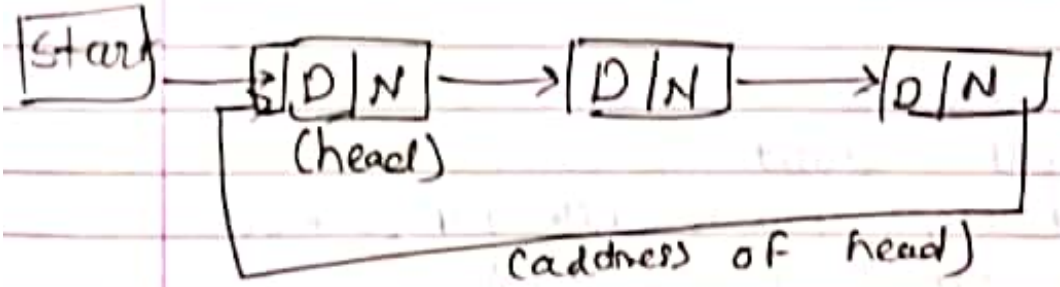
① Singly LL



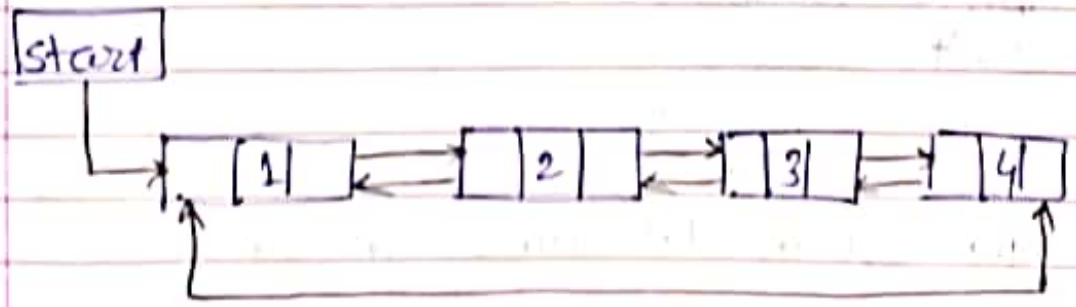

② Doubly linked list




③ Circular linked list




* Circular Doubly linked lists




* Header linked list
* Multi linked list

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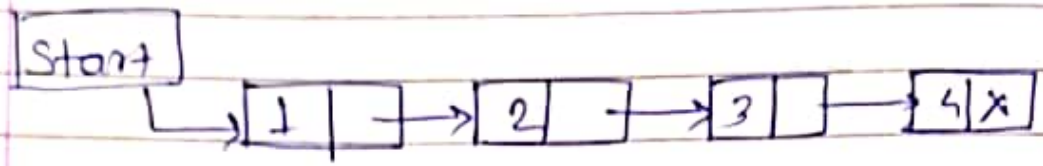
*) Singly linked list:-




X = NULL or -1

① Traversing a linked list

(Algo. for traversing a linked list)

1: Set PTR = Start
2: Repeat step 3 and 4 while PTR != NULL
3: Apply process to PTR → Data
4: Set PTR = PTR → Next
[end of LOOP]
5: Exit

(Algo. for counting number of nodes in LL)

1: Set count = 0
2: Set PTR = start
3: Repeat steps 4 & 5 while PTR != NULL
4: set count = count + 1
5: Set PTR = PTR → Next
[End of loop]
6: write count
7: Exit

How to create LL node in C.

```
struct node
{ int data;
  struct node * next;
};
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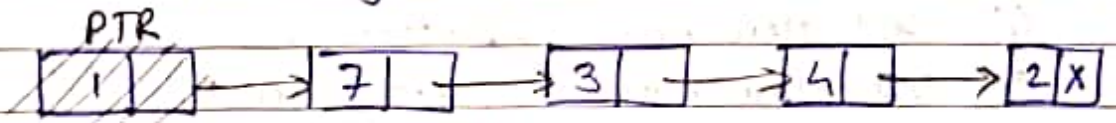
(2) Searching for a value in LL.

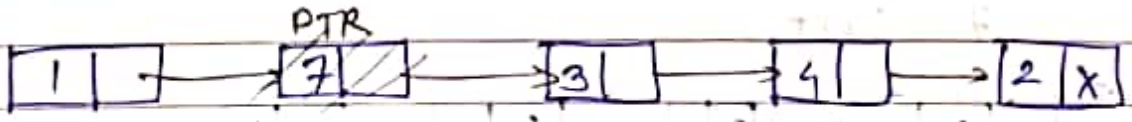
(Algo. to search a LL)

1: Set PTR = start
2: Repeat step 3 while PTR != NULL
3: If Val = PTR → Data
set Pos = PTR
Goto step 5
else
set PTR = PTR → Next
[end of If]
[End of loop]
4: Set Pos = NULL
5: Exit

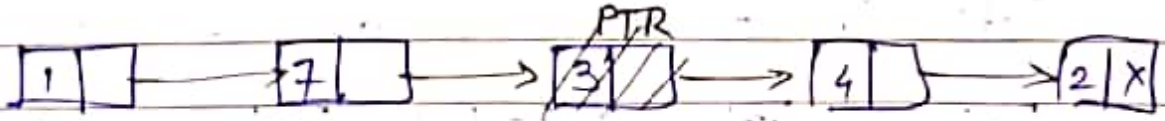
e.g. We are searching for Val = 4 from below LL.



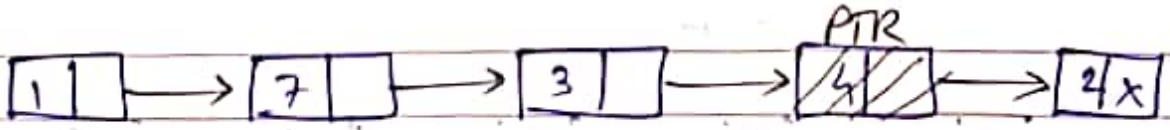

(1) PTR → Data = 1. Hence move to next




(2) PTR → Data = 7. Hence move to next




(3) PTR → Data = 3. Hence move to next




(4) PTR → Data = 4

set Pos = PTR.

↳ Now storing address of val.

return Pos

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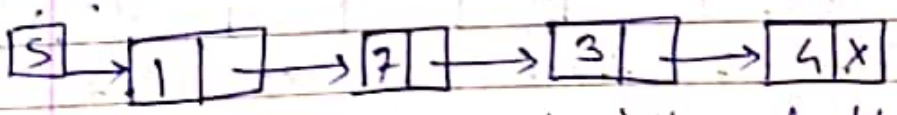
## (3) Inserting a new node in a linked list.

case 1: The new node is inserted at the beginning.
case 2: The new node is inserted at the end.
case 3: The new node is inserted after a given node.
case 4: The new node is inserted before a given node.

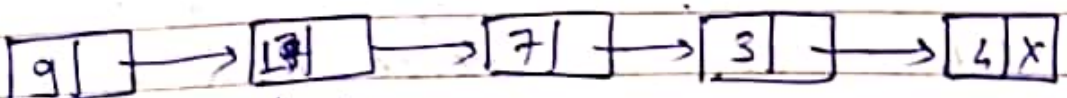
### case 1: Inserting node at the begining:

```
1: if Avail = NULL
       Write overflow
       Go to step 7
   [End of if]
2: Set New_Node = Avail
3: set Avail = Avail -> Next
4: Set New_node -> Data = Val
5: set New_node -> Next = Start
6: set Start = New_Node
7: Exit
```

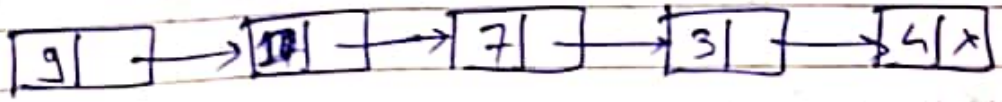
e.g.




Lets insert node '9' at the start.


Start




Start

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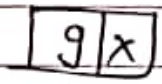
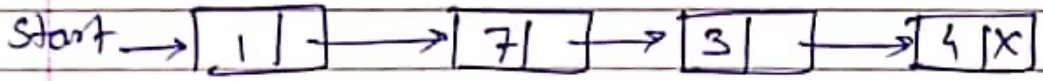
Case 2: Inserting node at the end of LL:

1: If Avail = NULL
write overflow
goto step 10
[end of IF]
2: set New_Node = Avail
3: set Avail = Avail → Next
4: Set New_Node → Data = Val
5: set New_Node → Next = NULL
6: set PTR = Start
7: Repeat step 8 while PTR → Next ≠ NULL
8: set PTR = PTR → Next
[End of loop]
9: set PTR → Next = New_Node
10: Exit

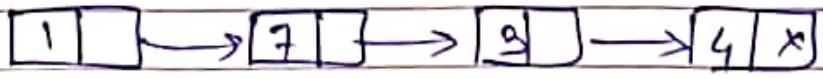
e.g. lets insert node '9' at the end 

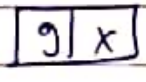

① let PTR point to start


Start, PTR

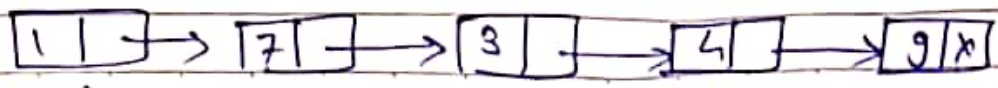
then increment PTR till reach last node




Start PTR

Now insert 

at the next of PTR




Start PTR

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Case 3: Inserting a node after given node of LL:

1: If Avail = NULL
   write overflow
   goto ~~set~~ Step 12
   [End of IF]
2: set New-node = Avail
3: set Avail = Avail → Next
4: Set New-Node → Data = VAL
5: Set PTR = start
6: Set PREPTR = PTR
7: Repeat steps 8 & 9 while PREPTR → Data != NUM
8: Set PREPTR = PTR
9: set PTR = PTR → Next
   [End of Loop]
10: PREPTR → Next = New-node
11: Set New-Node → Next = PTR
12: Exit

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case4: Inserting a node Before given node of LL.

1: If Avail = NULL
write OVERFLOW
Go to step 12
[End of if]
2: Set New_Node = Avail
3: Set Avail = Avail → Next
4: Set New_Node → Data = val
5 Set PTR = start
6: Set PREPTR = PTR
7: Repeat steps 8 & 9 while PTR → Data ≠ NUM
8: set PREPTR = PTR
9: set PTR = PTR → Next
[End of LOOP]
10: PREPTR → Next = New_Node
11: Set New_Node → Next = PTR
12. Exit

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④ Deleting a node from linked list

case1: The first node is deleted

case2: The last node is deleted

case 3: The node after a given node is deleted.

case 1:

1: If start = NULL
write underflow
goto step 5
[end of if]
2: set PTR = start
3: set start = start → Next
4: free PTR
5: exit

case 2: Deleting Last Node

1: If start = NULL
write underflow
goto step 8
[End of IF]
2: set PTR = start
3: Repeat steps 4 & 5 while PTR → Next != NULL
4: set PREPTR = PTR
5: set PTR = PTR → Next
[End of loop]
6: set PREPTR → Next = NULL
7: FREE PTR
8: Exit

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Case 3: Deleting the node after given node.

1: If start = NULL
   Write underflow
   Go to step 10
   [End of IF]
2: Set PTR = start
3: Set PREPTR = PTR
4: Repeat steps 5 & 6 while PREPTR→Data != NUM
5:  Set PREPTR = PTR
6:  Set PTR = PTR → Next
   [End of loop]
7: Set TEMP = PTR
8: Set PREPTR → Next = PTR → NEXT
9: free Temp
10: exit

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