Exercise 5: Task Management System

1.Understand Linked Lists:

- Singly Linked List: Each node points to the next node. Suitable for forward traversal.

- Doubly Linked List: Each node points to both the next and previous nodes. Allows forward and backward traversal.

- Linked lists are dynamic and efficient for frequent insertions and deletions.

2. Setup:

Creating a class Task with attributes like taskId, taskName, and status.

```
public class Task {
   int taskId;
   String taskName;
   String status;

   public Task(int taskId, String taskName, String status) {
      this.taskId = taskId;
      this.taskName = taskName;
      this.status = status;
   }

   @Override
   public String toString() {
      return "Task[ID=" + taskId + ", Name=" + taskName + ", Status=" + status + "]";
   }
}
```

3. Implementation:

Implement a singly linked list to manage tasks and include methods to add, search, traverse, and delete tasks.

```
class Node {
   Task task;
   Node next;

   public Node(Task task) {
      this.task = task;
      this.next = null;
   }
}

public class TaskManager {
   private Node head;

   public void addTask(Task task) {
      Node newNode = new Node(task);
      if (head == null) {
         head = newNode;
      } else {
         Node temp = head;
         while (temp.next != null) {
            temp = temp.next;
         }
         temp.next = newNode;
      }
   }



   public Task searchTask(int taskId) {
      Node current = head;
      while (current != null) {
         if (current.task.taskId == taskId) {
            return current.task;
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            }
            current = current.next;
        }
        return null;
    }

    public void traverseTasks() {
        Node current = head;
        while (current != null) {
            System.out.println(current.task);
            current = current.next;
        }
    }

    public void deleteTask(int taskId) {
        if (head == null) return;

        if (head.task.taskId == taskId) {
            head = head.next;
            return;
        }

        Node current = head;
        while (current.next != null && current.next.task.taskId != taskId) {
            current = current.next;
        }

        if (current.next != null) {
            current.next = current.next.next;
        }
    }
}
```

4. Analysis:

- Add: O(n) to insert at the end.

- Search: O(n) as it traverses nodes linearly.

- Traverse: O(n) to visit each node.

- Delete: O(n) as it may need to traverse to find the node.

Advantages of Linked Lists over Arrays:

- Dynamic size: No need to define capacity ahead of time.
- Efficient insertion/deletion without shifting elements.
- Ideal for applications with unpredictable data growth or frequent updates.