Exercise 10.2

1. **Explain Explain why the dynamic-set operation INSERT on a singly linked list can be im- plemented in time, but the worst-case time for DELETE is Theta(n)**

Ans) Insert in a singly linked list has a fixed number of operations to make the head point to the newly created element and to make the newly created element to point to the next element.

```
INSERT(L, x):
     if L.head == NIL:
          L.head = x
          x.next = NIL
     else:
          x.next = L.head.next
          L.head = x
```

Here, we only need to make two assignments therefore constant run time.

When deleting, in the worst case, the element we are deleting might be at the end of the linked list and we may need to traverse the entire list.

```
DELETE(L,x):
     temp = L.head
     if temp.key == x.key:
          head = head.next
     else
          while temp.next.key!=x.key:
               temp = temp->next
          temp->next = temp->next->next
```

Here, in the worst case, the while loop runs n times.

2. Implement a stack using singly linked list. The operations push and pop should still take O(1) time. Do you need to add any attributes to the list?

Ans)

```
Let L be the linked list attribute of the stack
PUSH(S,x):
     LIST-PREPEND(S.L , x)

POP(S)
     if S.L.head ==NIL:
          error "underflow"
     else
          x = S.L.head
          S.L.head = S.L.head.next
          return x
```

No need to add any attributes.

3. Implement a queue using single linked list. The operations ENQUEUE and DEQUEUE should still take O(1) time. Do you need to add any attributes to the list?

Ans)

```
// Insert at the end of the linked list and remove from
starting
ENQUEUE(Q, x):
     if Q.L.head == NIL:
          Q.L.head = x
     else:
          Q.L.tail.next = x
          Q.L.tail = x
          x.next = NIL

DEQUEUE(Q):
     if Q.L.head ==NIL:
          error "underflow"
     else
          x = Q.L.head
          if Q.L.head == Q.L.tail:
               Q.L.tail = NIL
          Q.L.head = Q.L.head.next

          return x
```

4. The dynamic-set operation UNION takes two disjoint sets S1*S*1 and S2*S*2 as input, and it returns a set S=S1US2 consisting of all the elements of S1*S*1 and S2*S*2. The

sets S1*S*1 and S2*S*2 are usually destroyed by the operation. Show how to support UNION in O(1)*O*(1) time using a suitable list data structure.

Ans)

```
UNION(S1, S2):
     temp = S1.NIL.prev.next
     S1.NIL.prev.next = S2.NIL.next
     S2.NIL.next.prev = temp

     S2.NIL.prev.next = S1.NIL
     S1.NIL.prev = S2.NIL.prev
```

5. **Give a theta(n) time non recursive procedure that reverses a singly linked list of n elements. The procedure should use no more than constant storage beyond that needed for the list itself.**

Ans.

```
REVERSE(L):
     if L.head==NIL:
          break
     else:
          curr = L.head
          before = NIL
          while curr!=NIL:
               after = L.next
               curr->next = before
               before = curr
               curr = after
          L.head = before
```