Linked Lists

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Traversing a Linked List

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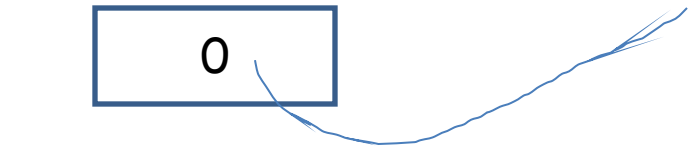

	INFO	LINK
0	9	2
1	5	3
2	1	4
3	3	5
4	7	6
5	6	7
6	10	8
7	4	9
8	15	1
9	11	-1

Traversing a Linked List

Algorithm 5.1: LIST is a linked list in memory. This algorithm traverses **LIST**, applying an operation **PROCESS** to each element of **LIST**. The variable **PTR** points to a node currently being processed.

1. Set PTR:=START
2. Repeat steps 3 and 4 while PTR≠NULL
3. Apply PROCESS to INFO[PTR]
4. SET PTR := LINK[PTR]

   [End of Repeat 2 loop]
5. Exit

Searching a Linked List

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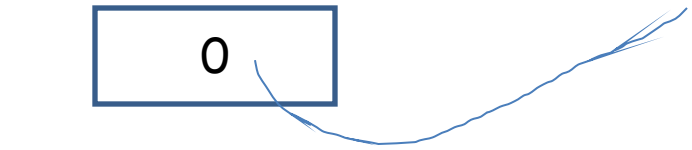
(LIST is unsorted)



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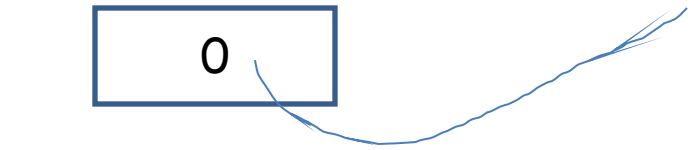
Searching a Linked List
(LIST is unsorted)

Algorithm 5.2: SEARCH (INFO, LINK, START, ITEM, LOC)

LIST is a linked list in memory. This algorithm finds the location LOC of the node where ITEM first appears in LIST, or sets LOC-NULL.

1. Set PTR:= START
2. Repeat steps 3 and 4 while PTR≠NULL
3. If ITEM = INFO[PTR] then:
   Set LOC:=PTR and Exit.
   Else:
   SET PTR := LINK[PTR]
   [End of If statement]
   [End of Repeat 2 loop]
4. [Search is unsuccessful] Set LOC:=NULL
5. Exit

Searching a Linked List
(LIST is sorted)



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1	6	3
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6	4	8
7	9	9
8	5	1
9	10	-1

Searching a Linked List
(LIST is sorted)

Algorithm 5.3: SRCHSL (INFO, LINK, START, ITEM, LOC)

LIST is a sorted linked list in memory. This algorithm finds the location LOC of the node where ITEM first appears in LIST, or sets LOC-NULL.

1. Set PTR:= START
2. Repeat steps 3 and 4 while PTR≠NULL
3. If ITEM<INFO [PTR], then:
   Set PTR:= LINK[PTR]

   Else if ITEM = INFO [PTR] then:
   Set LOC:=PTR and Exit.

   Else:
   SET LOC:= NULL, and Exit

   [End of If statement]

   [End of Repeat 2 loop]
4. [Search is unsuccessful] Set LOC:=NULL
5. Exit

Searching a Linked List

Source Code

Memory Allocation; Garbage Collection

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- A list is maintained which consists of unused memory cells. This list is called the **list of available space** or the **free storage list** or the **free pool**.

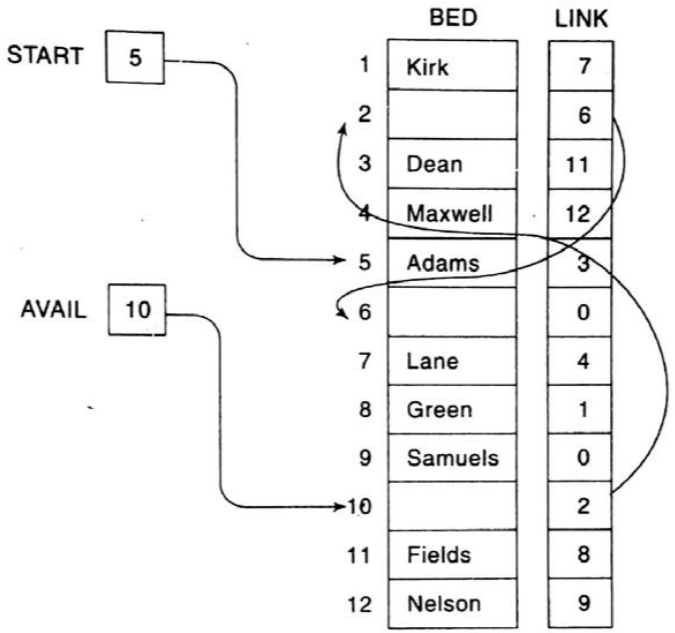

Fig. 5.9

Memory Allocation; Garbage Collection

- **Garbage Collection**:
  - (traditional process) It is time-consuming for the operation system to reinsert the deleted node from a list into the free storage list.
  - **Definition of Garbage collection** - The operating system of a computer may periodically collect all the deleted space into the free-storage list.
  - **Two steps** technique:
    - The computer run through all lists, tagging those cells which are currently in use.
    - The computer runs through the memory, collecting all untagged space into the free-storage list.
  - **Take place** –
    - Minimum amount of space or no space at all left in the free-storage list
    - CPU is idle and has time to do the collection.
    - Invisible to the programmer.

Memory Allocation; Garbage Collection

- **Overflow**
  - New data are to be inserted into a data structure but there is no available space i.e. **the free-storage list is empty**.
  - Occur:
    - AVAIL = NULL
- **Underflow**
  - The situation where one want to delete data from a data structure that is empty.
  - Occur:
    - START = NULL

Insertion into a Linked List

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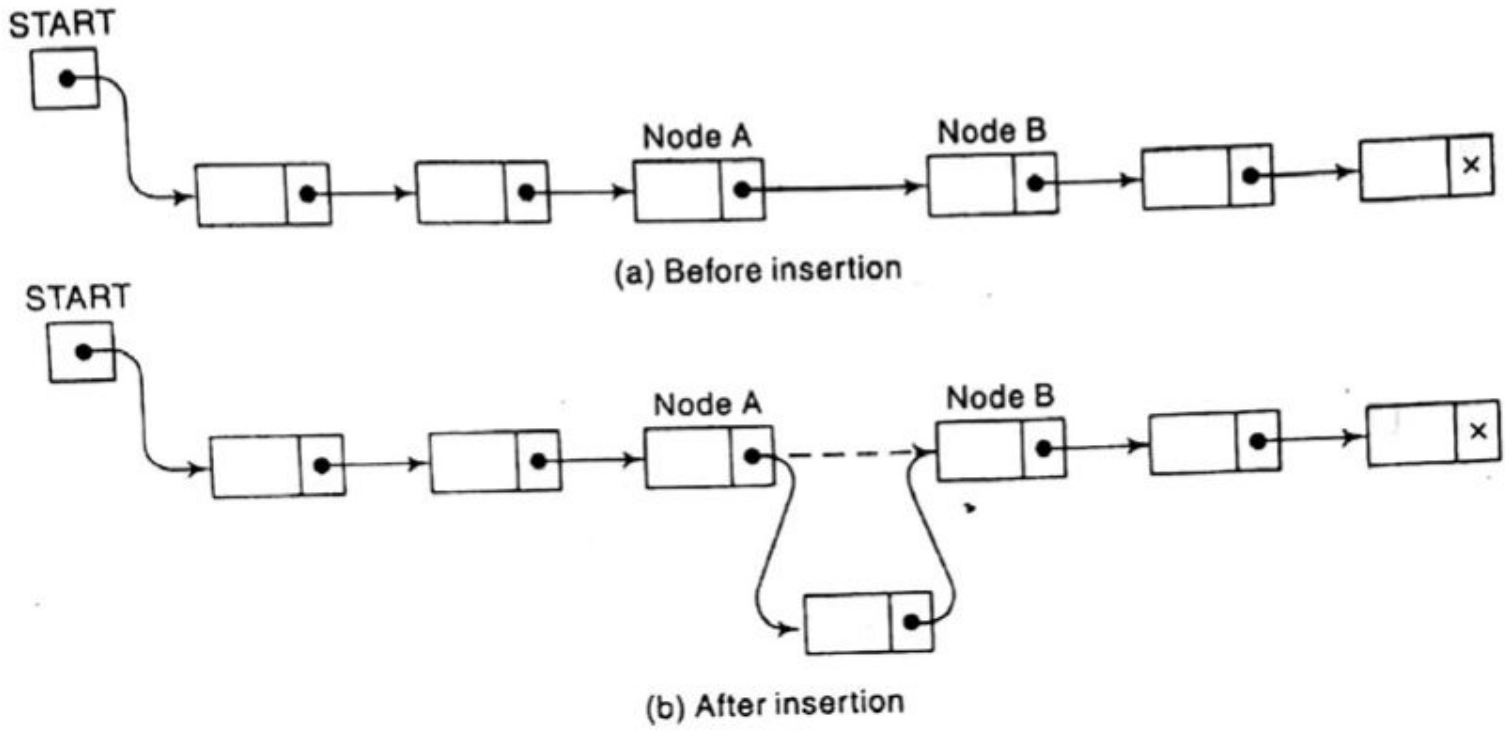
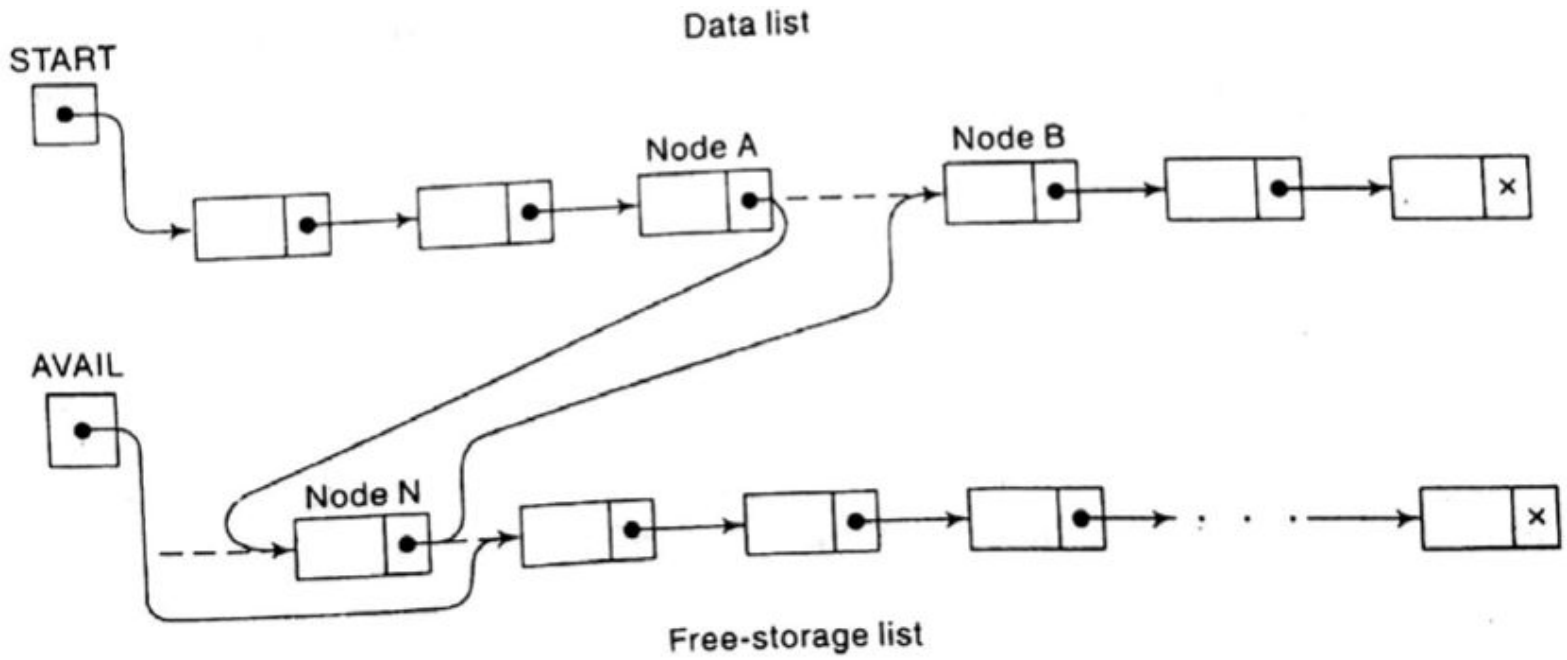


Fig. 5.14

Insertion into a Linked List

- Three Pointer fields are changed



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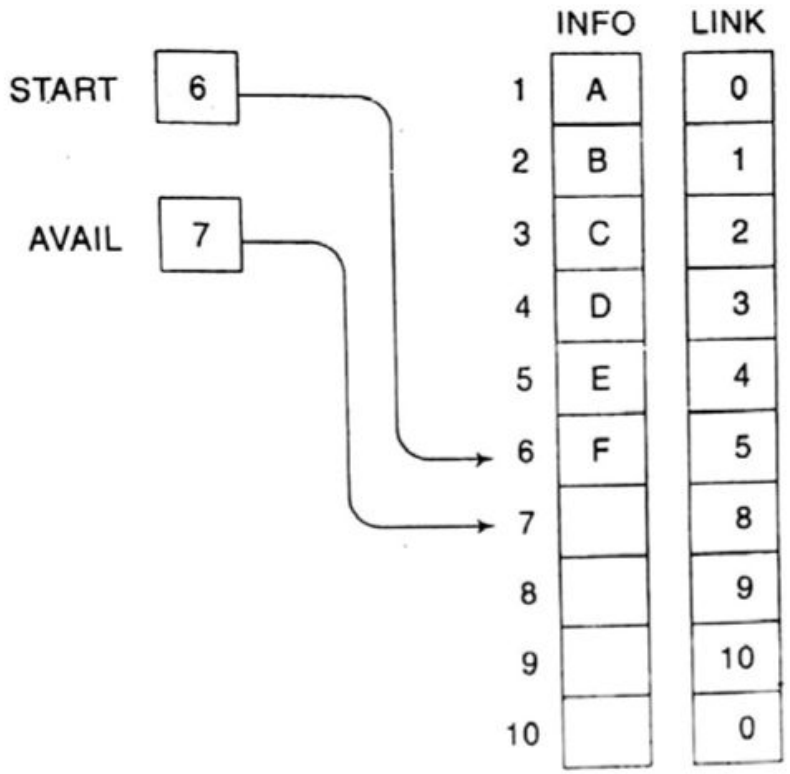

Insertion into a Linked List

Algorithm: (Create a new Node) This algorithm check available memory.

1. **[OVERFLOW]** If AVAIL = NULL, then: Write: OVERFLOW, and Exit
2. [Remove first node from AVAIL.]
   Set NEW:=AVAIL and AVAIL := LINK[AVAIL]
3. Exit

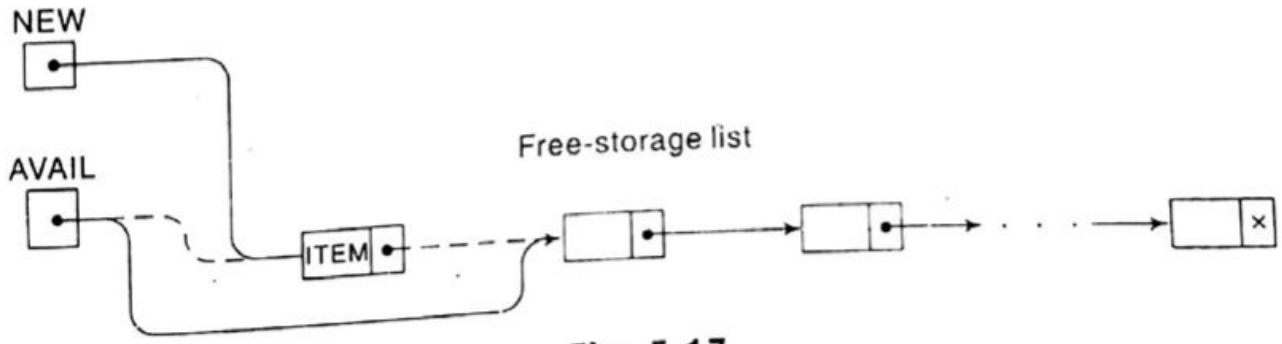

Fig. 5.17

Insertion into a Linked List (At the beginning of a List)

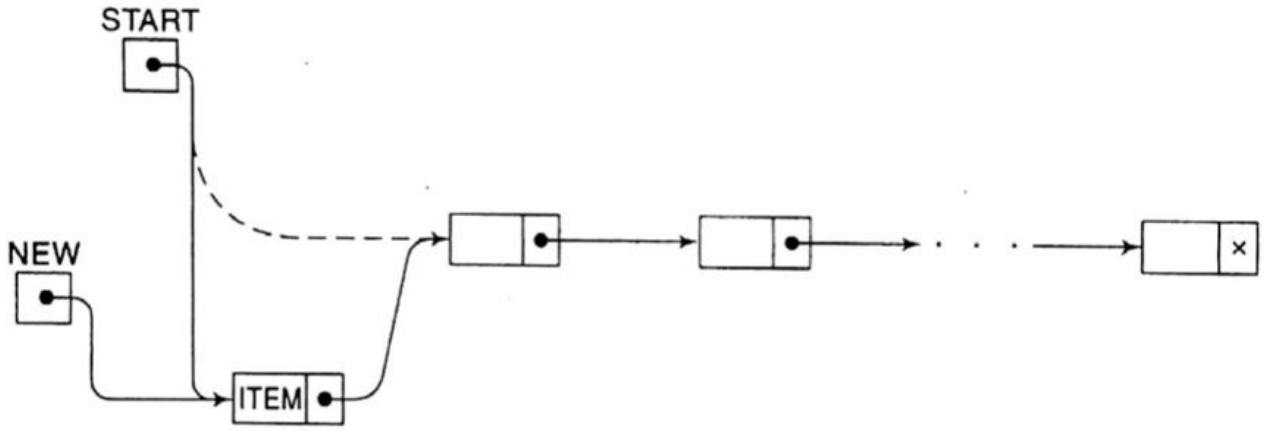

Fig. 5.18 *Insertion at the Beginning of a List*

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LINK[NEW]←START
START ←NEW
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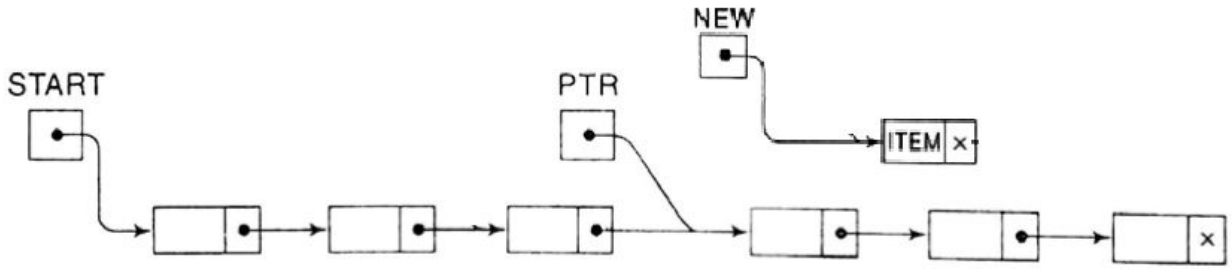
Insertion into a Linked List (At the beginning of a List)

Algorithm 5.4: INSFIRST(INFO, LINK, START, AVAIL, ITEM)
This algorithm inserts ITEM as the first node in the list.

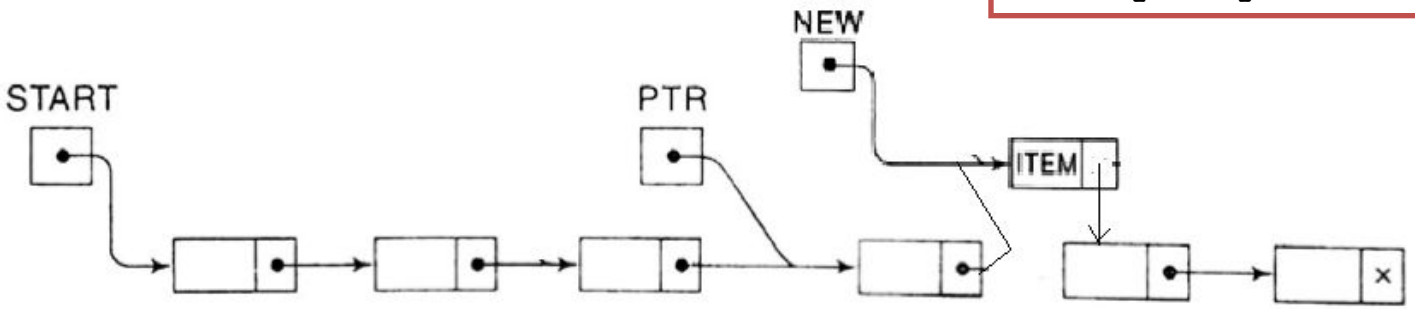
1. [OVERFLOW?] If AVAIL = NULL, then: Write: OVERFLOW, and Exit.
2. [Remove first node from AVAIL list.]
   Set NEW := AVAIL and AVAIL := LINK[AVAIL].
3. Set INFO[NEW] := ITEM. [Copies new data into new node]
4. Set LINK[NEW] := START. [New node now points to original first node.]
5. Set START := NEW. [Changes START so it points to the new node.]
6. Exit.

LINK[NEW]←START
START ←NEW

Insertion into a Linked List (After a Given Node)



LINK[NEW]←LINK[PTR]
LINK[PTR] ←NEW



Insertion into a Linked List (After a Given Node)

Algorithm 5.5: INSLOC(INFO, LINK, START, AVAIL, LOC, ITEM)
This algorithm inserts ITEM so that ITEM follows the node with location LOC or inserts ITEM as the first node when LOC = NULL.

1. [OVERFLOW?] If AVAIL = NULL, then: Write: OVERFLOW, and Exit.
2. [Remove first node from AVAIL list.]
   Set NEW := AVAIL and AVAIL := LINK[AVAIL].
3. Set INFO[NEW] := ITEM. [Copies new data into new node.]
4. If LOC = NULL, then: [Insert as first node.]
   Set LINK[NEW] := START and START := NEW.
   Else: [Insert after node with location LOC.]
   Set LINK [NEW] := LINK[LOC] and LINK[LOC] := NEW.
   [End of If structure.]
5. Exit.

LINK[NEW]←LINK[LOC]
LINK[LOC] ←NEW

Insertion into a Linked List (Inserting into a Sorted Linked List)

- Suppose ITEM is to be inserted into a sorted linked list LIST. Then ITEM must be inserted between node A and node B

$$INFO(A) < ITEM \leq INFO(B)$$

- Find the location **LOC** of node A.
- **PTR** pointer: Use for traversing
- It is necessary to keep track the location of the preceding node
- **SAVE** pointer: Use to track preceding Node

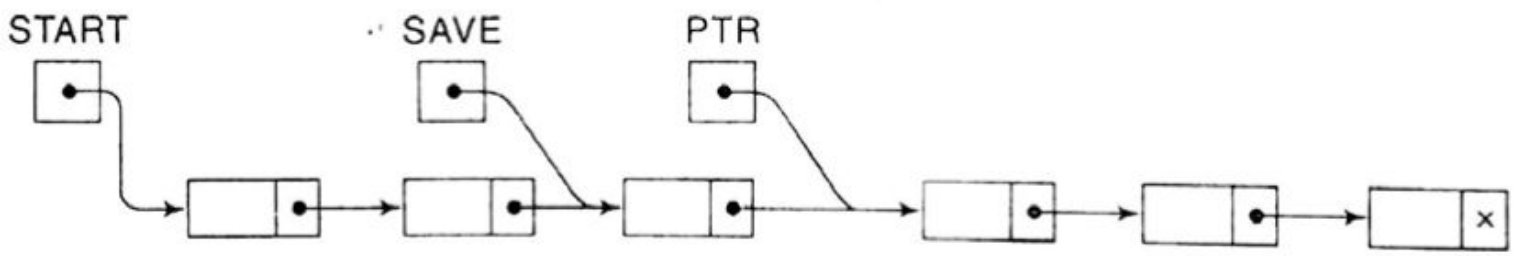


Fig. 5.20

Insertion into a Linked List (Inserting into a Sorted Linked List)

Procedure 5.6: FINDA(INFO, LINK, START, ITEM, LOC)
This procedure finds the location LOC of the last node in a sorted list such that INFO[LOC] < ITEM, or sets LOC = NULL.

1. [List empty?] If START = NULL, then: Set LOC := NULL, and Return.
2. [Special case?] If ITEM < INFO[START], then: Set LOC := NULL, and Return.
3. Set SAVE := START and PTR := LINK[START]. [Initializes pointers.]
4. Repeat Steps 5 and 6 while PTR ≠ NULL.
5. If ITEM < INFO[PTR], then:
   Set LOC := SAVE, and Return.
   [End of If structure.]
6. Set SAVE := PTR and PTR := LINK[PTR]. [Updates pointers.]
   [End of Step 4 loop.]
7. Set LOC := SAVE.
8. Return.

Insertion into a Linked List (Inserting into a Sorted Linked List)

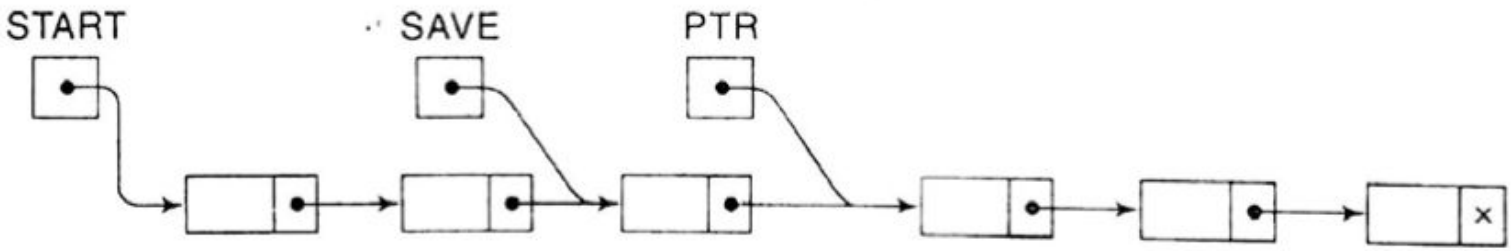


Fig. 5.20

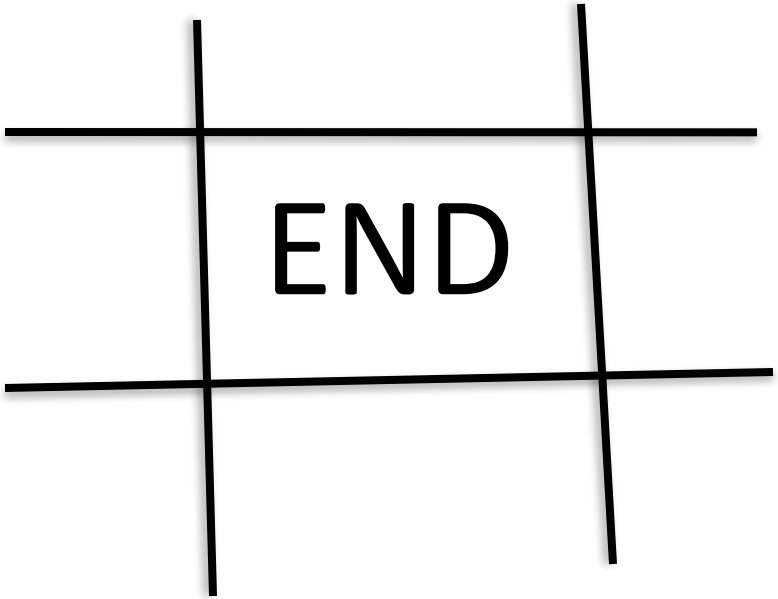
LOC ←SAVE
- Insert ITEM after a given Node i.e. INSLOC()

Insertion into a Linked List (Inserting into a Sorted Linked List)

Algorithm 5.7: INSERT(INFO, LINK, START, AVAIL, ITEM)
This algorithm inserts ITEM into a sorted linked list.

1. [Use Procedure 5.6 to find the location of the node preceding ITEM.]
   Call FINDA(INFO, LINK, START, ITEM, LOC).
2. [Use Algorithm 5.5 to insert ITEM after the node with location LOC.]
   Call INSLOC(INFO, LINK, START, AVAIL, LOC, ITEM).
3. Exit.

Source Code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