


234. Palindrome Linked List

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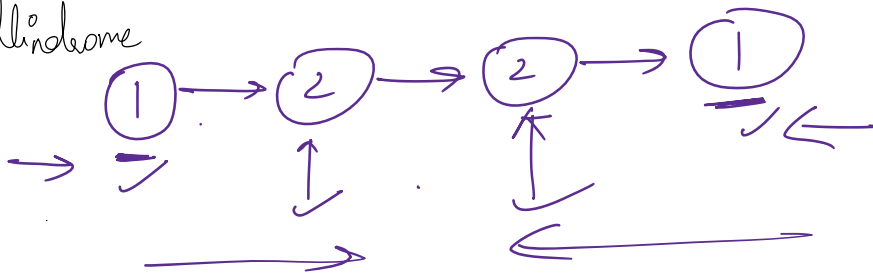
Given the `head` of a singly linked list, return `true` if it is a *palindrome* or `false` otherwise.

Example 1:



Input: head = [1,2,2,1]
Output: true

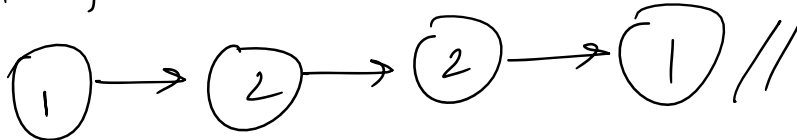
Palindrome



left 1 2 2 1
right 1 2 2 1

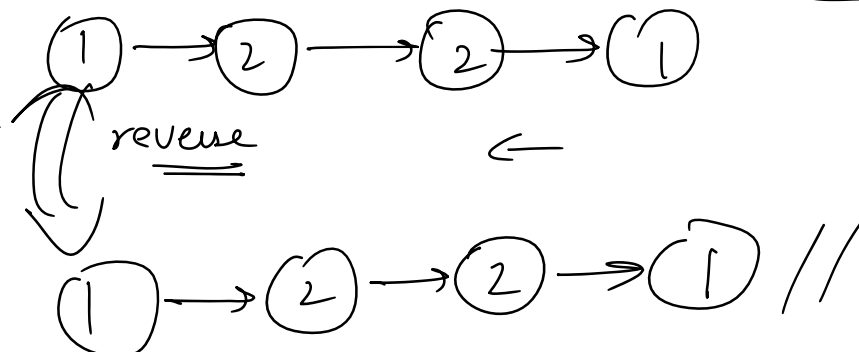
Yes

Linked list



Linked list 2

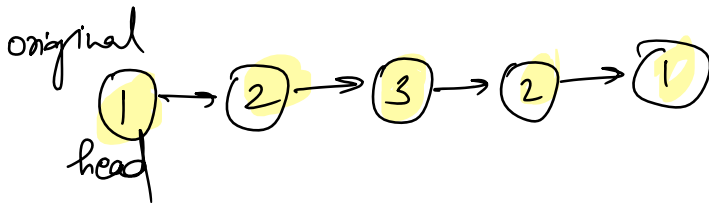
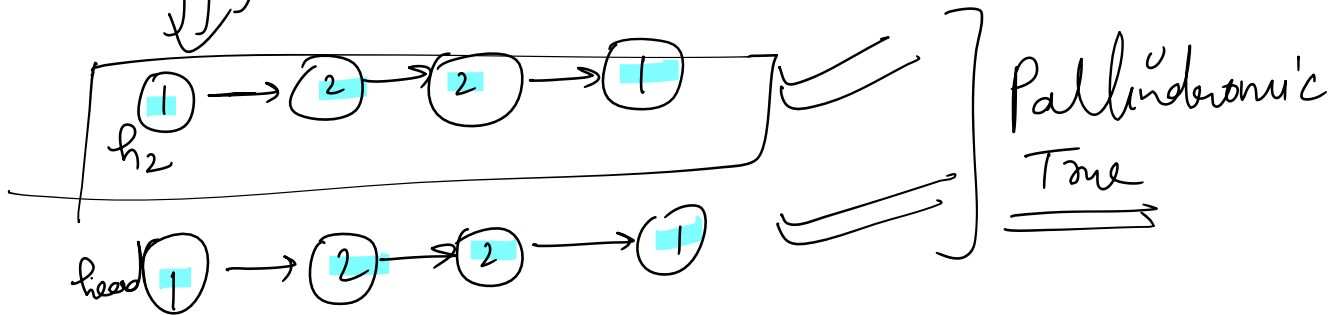
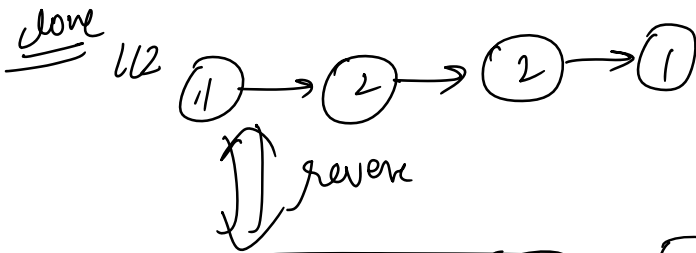
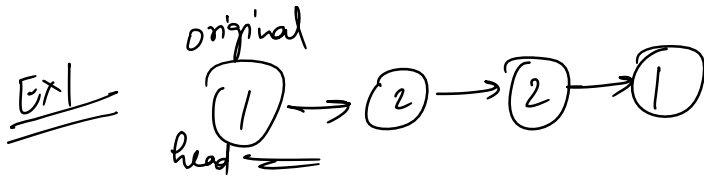
Extra



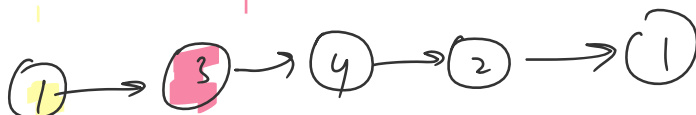
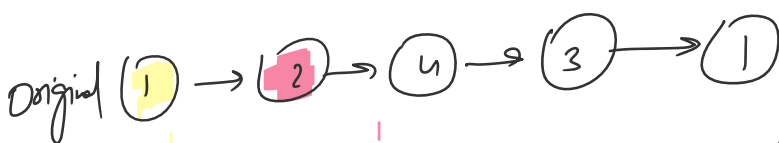
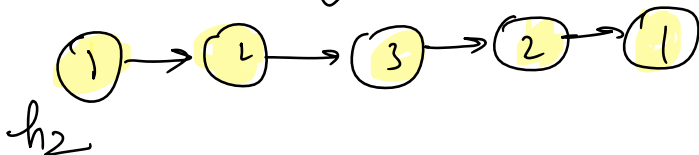
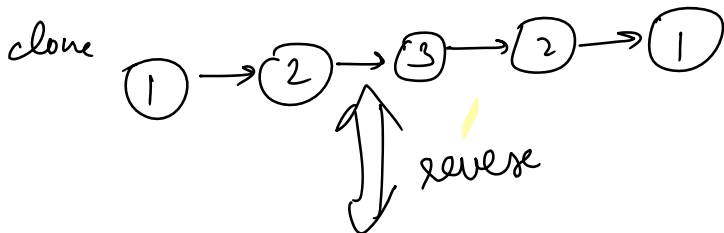
palindrome ✓

Algorithm

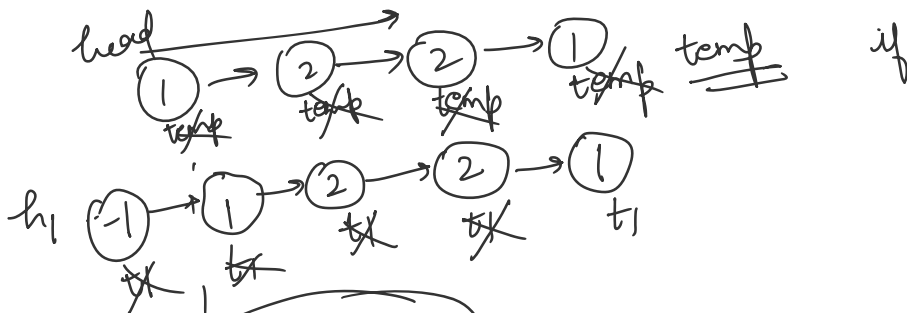
- ① copy of linked list. ✓
- ② Copy LL Reverse (LL2) ✓
- ③ Original (LL2) Node By Node compare



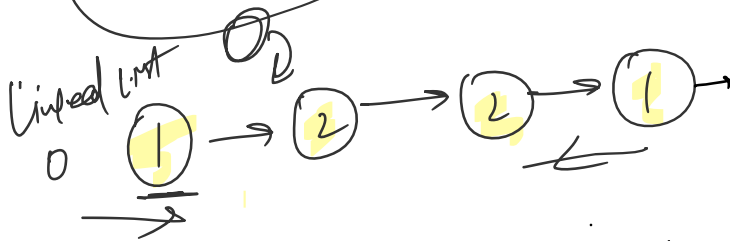
✓ palindromic linked list



False

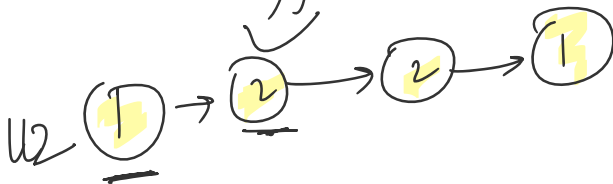


$h_1 \rightarrow \text{next}$



1 2 2 |
1 2 2 1

palindromic linked list



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class Solution {
public:
    ListNode* reverse(ListNode* head){
        ListNode* prev = NULL, *next = NULL, *curr = head;
        while(curr != NULL){
            next = curr->next;
            curr->next = prev;
            prev = curr;
            curr = next;
        }
        return prev;
    }

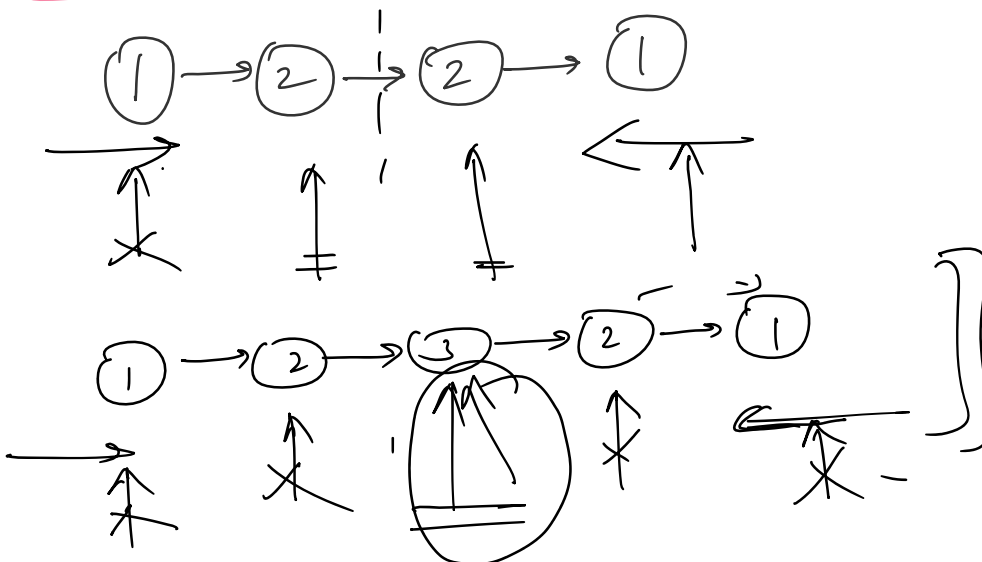
    bool isPalindrome(ListNode* head) {
        //clone
        ListNode* h1 = new ListNode(-1), *t1 = h1, *temp = head;
        while(temp != NULL){
            t1->next = new ListNode(temp->val);
            t1 = t1->next;
            temp = temp->next;
        }
        ListNode* h2 = reverse(h1->next);
        t1 = h2, temp = head;
        while(t1 != NULL && temp != NULL){
            if(t1->val != temp->val){
                return false;
            }
            t1 = t1->next;
            temp = temp->next;
        }
        return true;
    }
}

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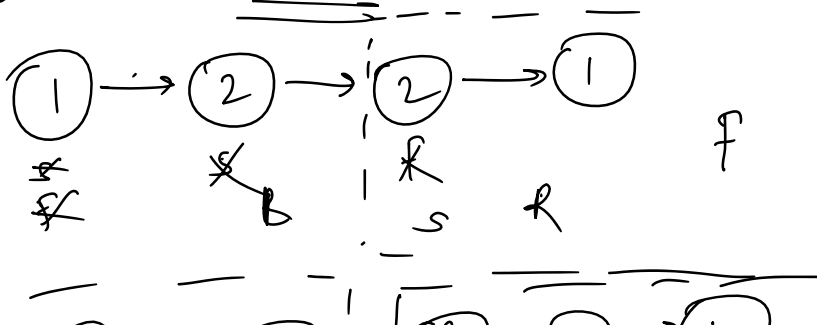
$T.C - O(3N) \approx O(N)$
 $S.C - O(N)$ → because of clone

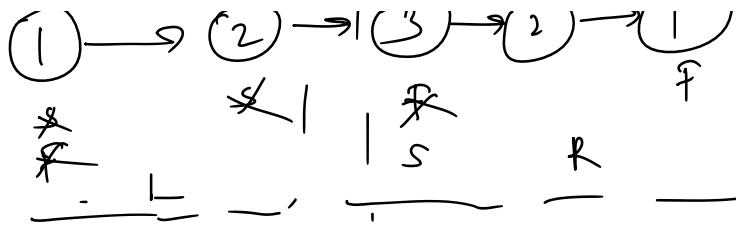
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Optimize

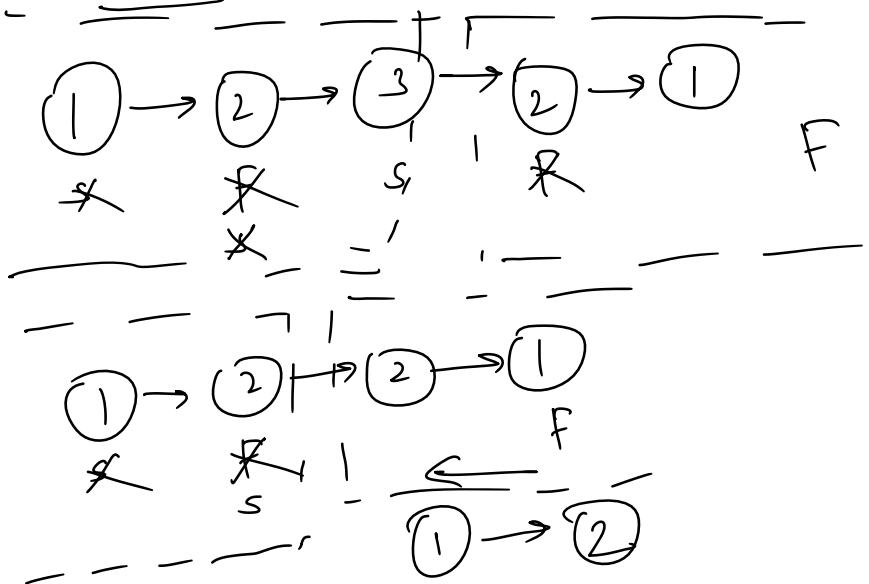


① middle element



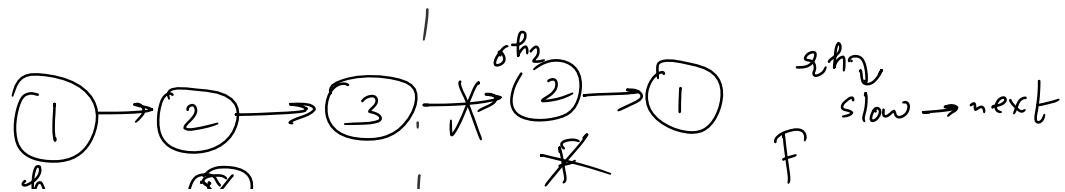
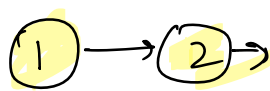


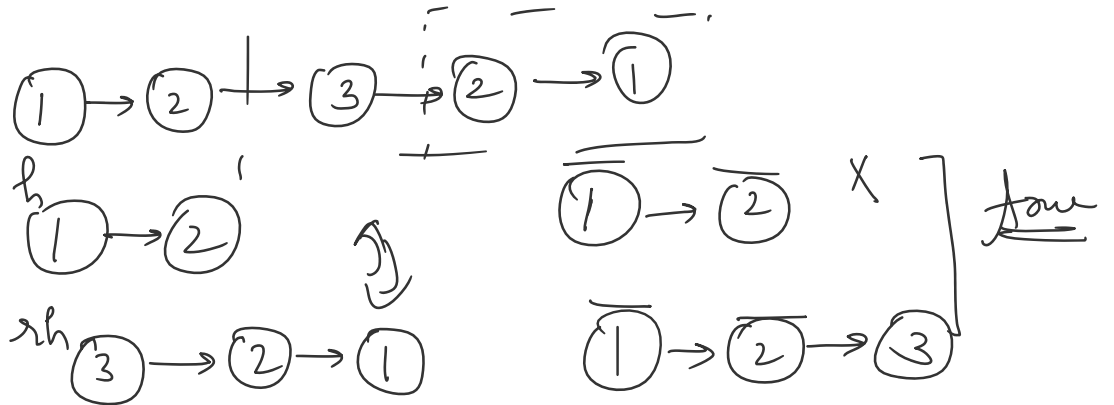
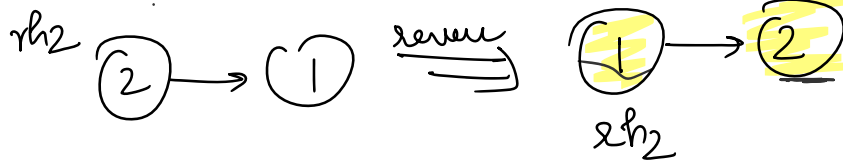
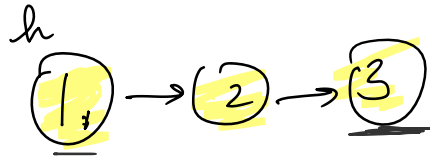
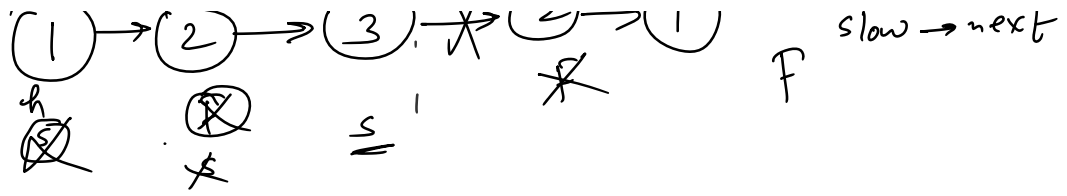
Left oriented



Algorithm

- (1) middle element find first
- (2) right half of LL (reverse)
- (3) Node by node by comparison.



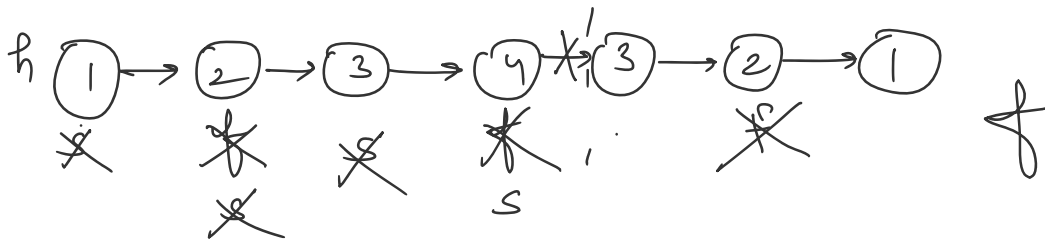


Algo

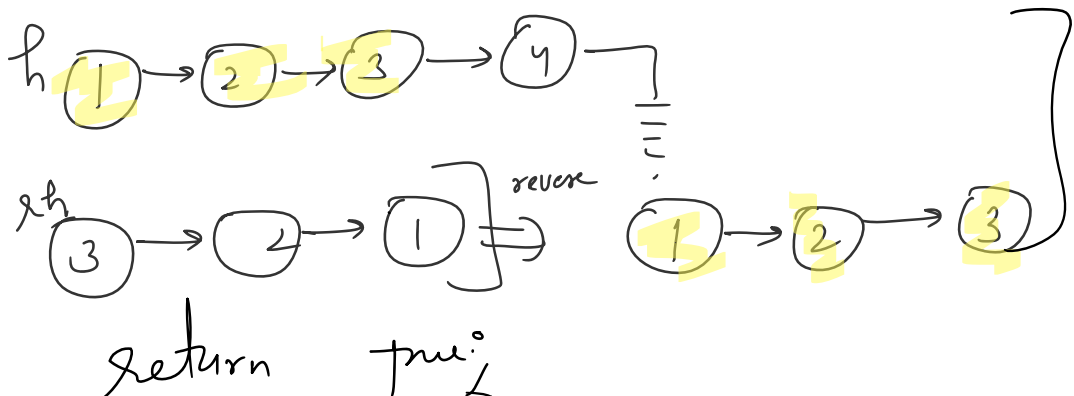
① middle element (left)

② right side part of reverse linked list

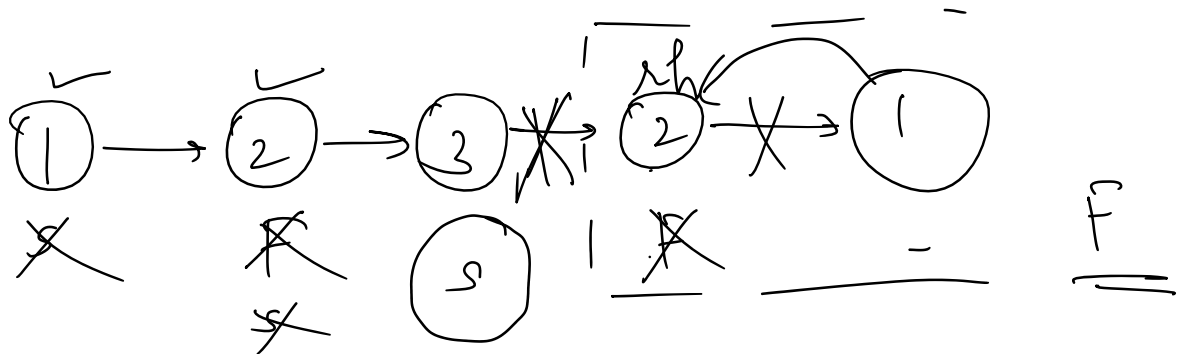
③ Node by Node



rh = s → next



return true;



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class Solution {
public:
    ListNode* reverse(ListNode* head) {
        ListNode* prev = NULL, *next = NULL, *curr = head;
        while (curr != NULL) {
            next = curr->next;
            curr->next = prev;
            prev = curr;
            curr = next;
        }
        return prev;
    }

    bool isPalindrome(ListNode* head) {
        // base case 0 or 1 node
        if (head == NULL || head->next == NULL) return true;
        // middle element left oriented
        ListNode* slow = head, *fast = head->next;
        while (fast != NULL && fast->next != NULL) {
            slow = slow->next;
            fast = fast->next->next;
        }

        // right vale part of find kiya or reverse kr diya
        ListNode* rh = slow->next;
        slow->next = NULL;
        rh = reverse(rh);

        // node by node check
        ListNode* t1 = head, *t2 = rh;
        while (t1 != NULL && t2 != NULL) {
            if (t1->val != t2->val) {
                return false;
            }
            t1 = t1->next;
            t2 = t2->next;
        }
        return true;
    }
}

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T.C - $O(3N)$
S.C - $O(N)$

Optimization

T.C - $O(\frac{3N}{2})$

S.C - $O(1)$

$\rightarrow O(N)$
 $\rightarrow O(N/2)$
 $\rightarrow O(N/2)$

T.C - $O(\frac{3N}{2})$
S.C - $O(1)$

Algorithm

- ① middle element ①
- right side of linked list } reverse

node by node

You are given the head of a singly linked-list. The list can be represented as:

$L_0 \rightarrow L_1 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow L_{n-1} \rightarrow L_n$

$L_0 \rightarrow L_1 \rightarrow L_2 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow L_{n-1} \rightarrow L_n$

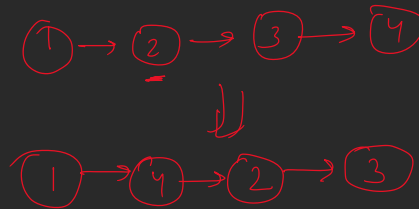
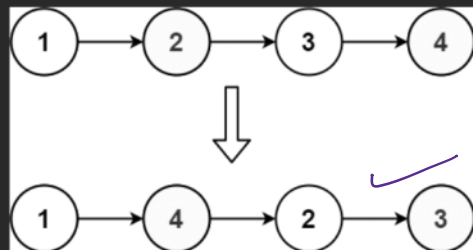
Reorder the list to be on the following form:

$L_0 \rightarrow L_n \rightarrow L_1 \rightarrow L_{n-1} \rightarrow L_2 \rightarrow L_{n-2} \rightarrow \dots$

$L_0 \rightarrow L_n \rightarrow L_1 \rightarrow L_{n-1} \rightarrow L_2 \rightarrow L_{n-2} \rightarrow \dots$

You may not modify the values in the list's nodes. Only nodes themselves may be changed.

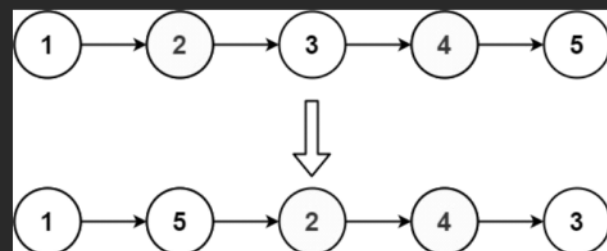
Example 1:



Input: head = [1,2,3,4]

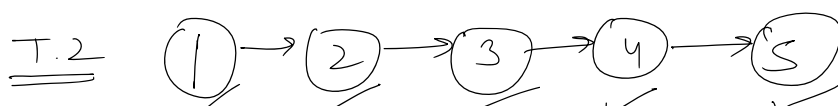
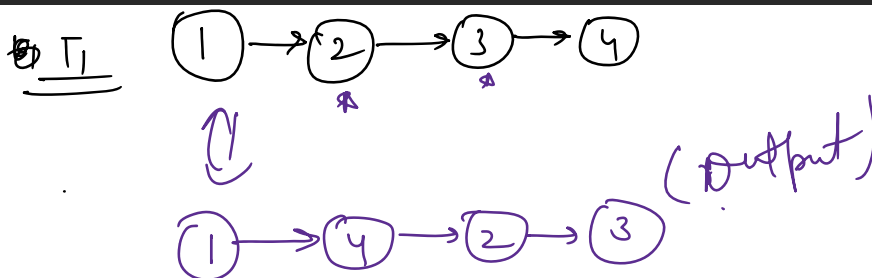
Output: [1,4,2,3]

Example 2:

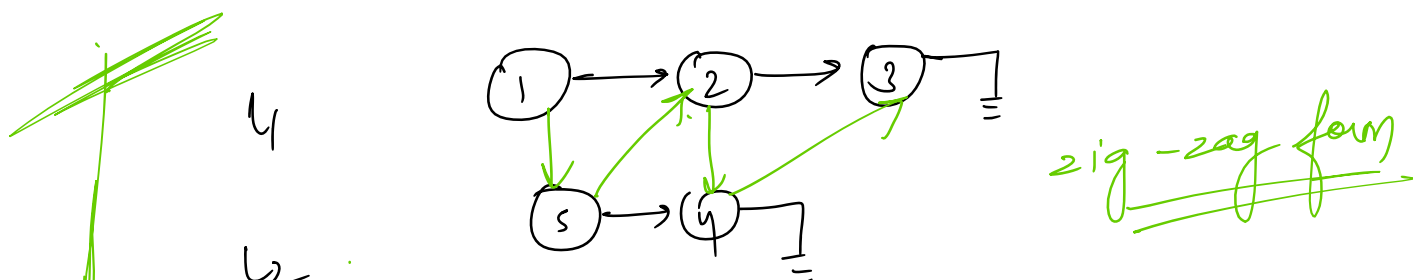
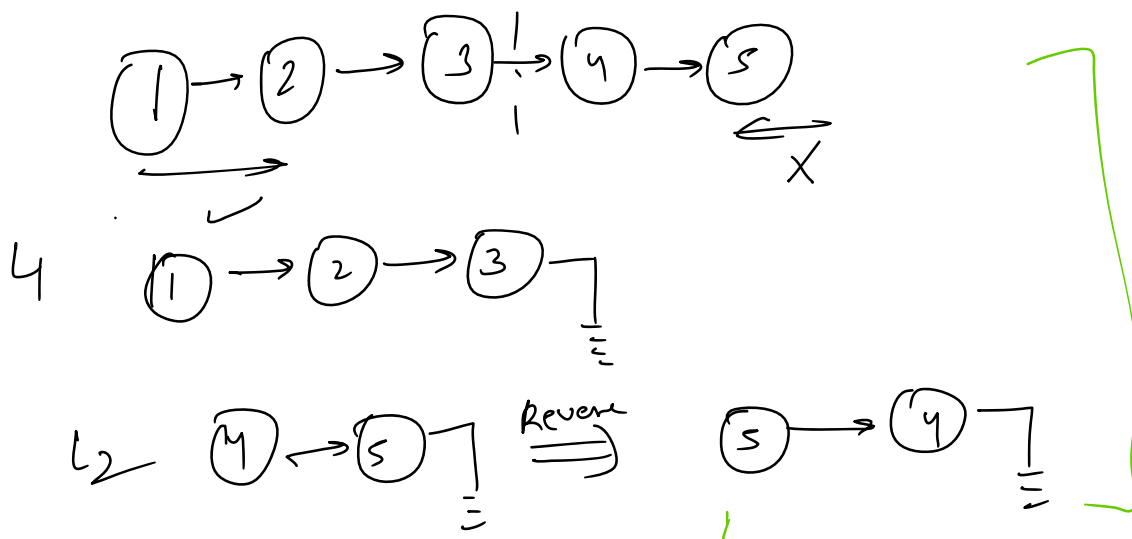
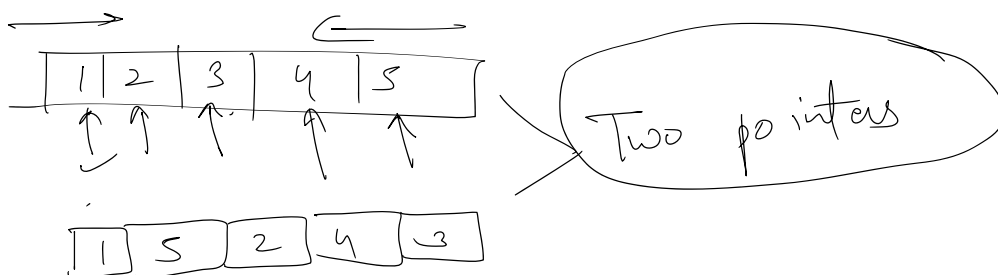
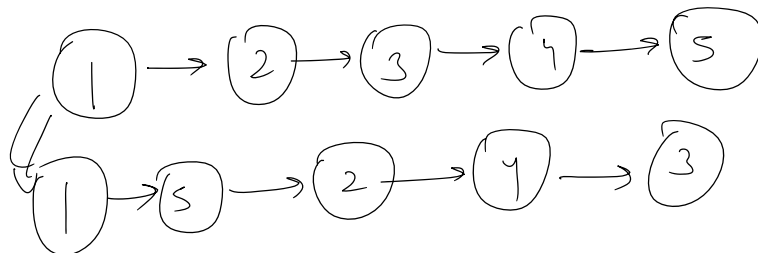
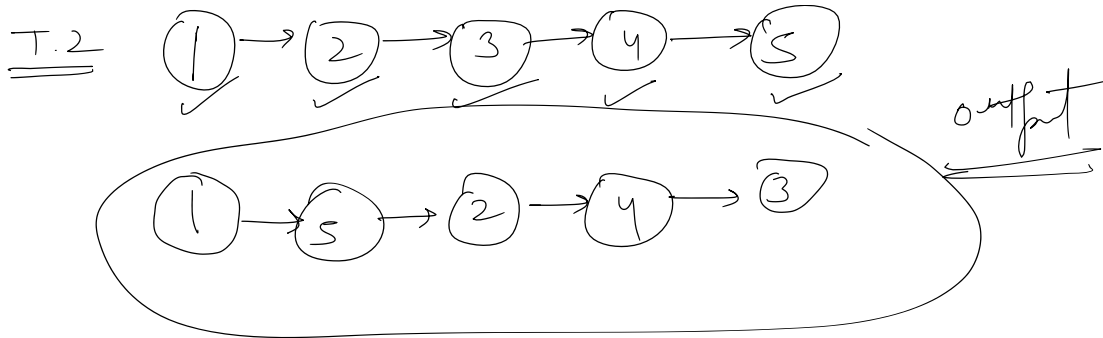


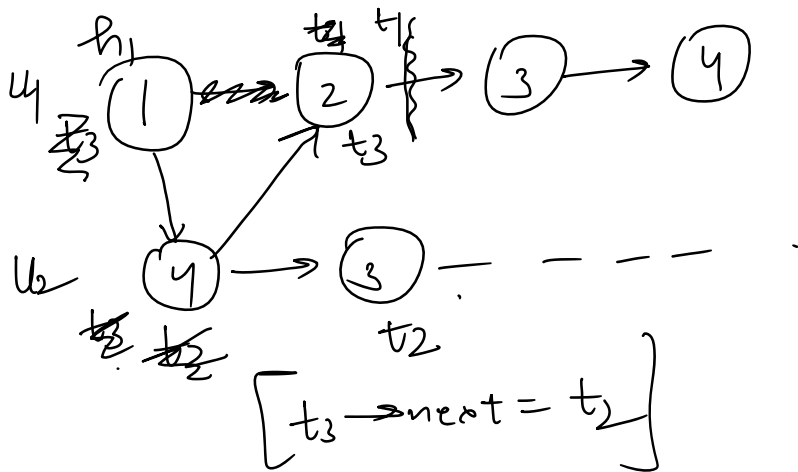
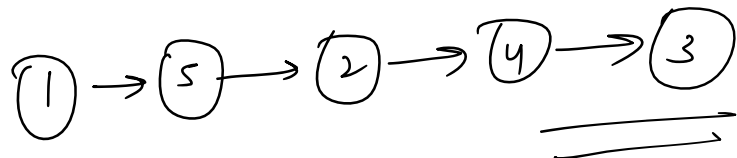
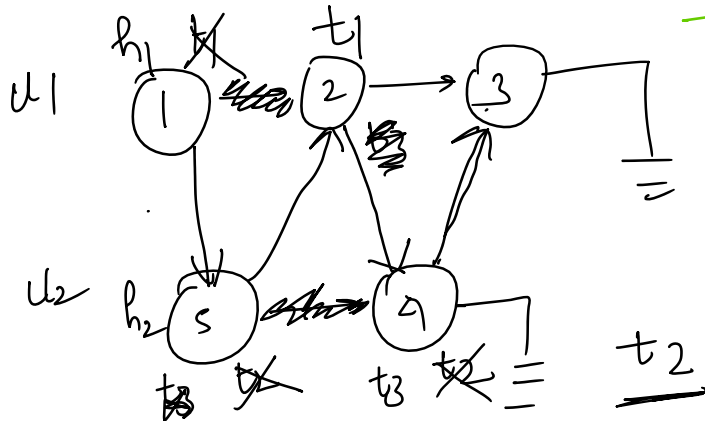
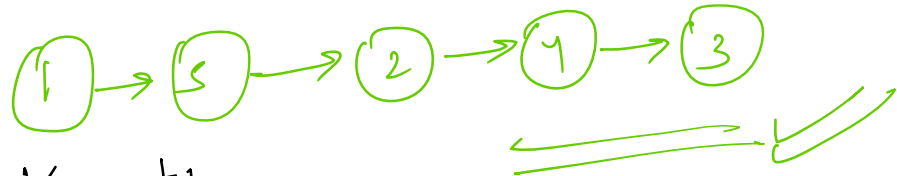
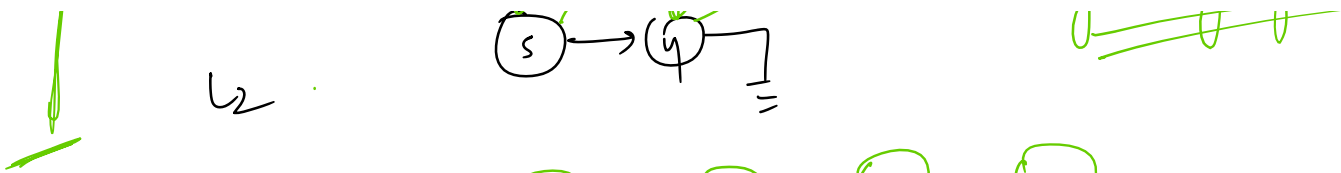
Input: head = [1,2,3,4,5]

Output: [1,5,2,4,3]



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Algorithm

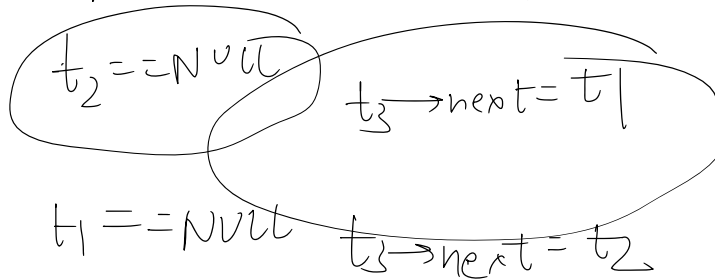
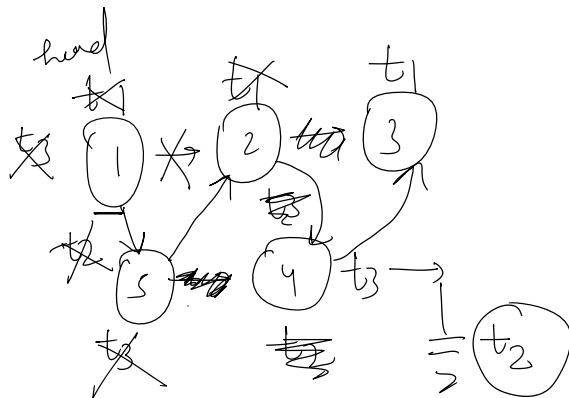
- ① Palindromic Linked list

- ① Middle Element
 - ② Reverse Right side part

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② zig-zag pattern



```

class Solution {
public:
    // reverse code
    ListNode* reverse(ListNode* head){
        ListNode *curr = head, *prev = NULL, *next = NULL;
        while(curr != NULL){
            next = curr->next;
            curr->next = prev;
            prev = curr;
            curr = next;
        }
        return prev;
    }

    void reorderList(ListNode* head) {
        // base case
        if(head->next == NULL) return;
        // middle element
        ListNode *slow = head, *fast = head->next;
        while(fast != NULL && fast->next != NULL){
            slow = slow->next;
            fast = fast->next->next;
        }
        // reverse right wala part
        ListNode *h2 = reverse(slow->next);
        slow->next = NULL;
        // zig zag pattern wala part
        ListNode *t1 = head, *t2 = h2;
        ListNode *t3 = head;
        t1 = t1->next;
        bool first = false;
        while(t1 != NULL && t2 != NULL){
            if(first){
                t3->next = t1;
                t3 = t3->next;
            }
        }
    }
}

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$O(1)$
 $O(N/2)$
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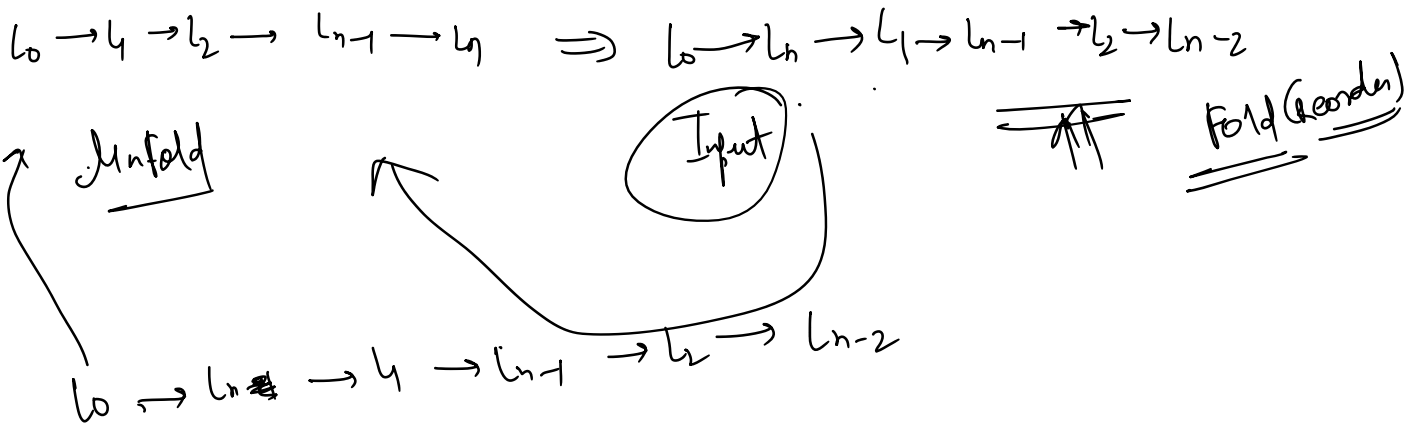
T.C - $O(N)$
 $\left[\begin{array}{l} \text{T.C} - O\left(\frac{3N}{2}\right) \\ \text{S.C} - O(1) \end{array} \right]$

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// ...
t1 = t1->next;
bool first = false;
while(t1 != NULL && t2 != NULL){
    if(first){
        t3->next = t1;
        t3 = t3->next;
        t1 = t1->next;
    }else{
        t3->next = t2;
        t3 = t3->next;
        t2 = t2->next;
    }
    first = !first;
}
if(t1 == NULL) t3->next = t2;
else t3->next = t1;
}
};

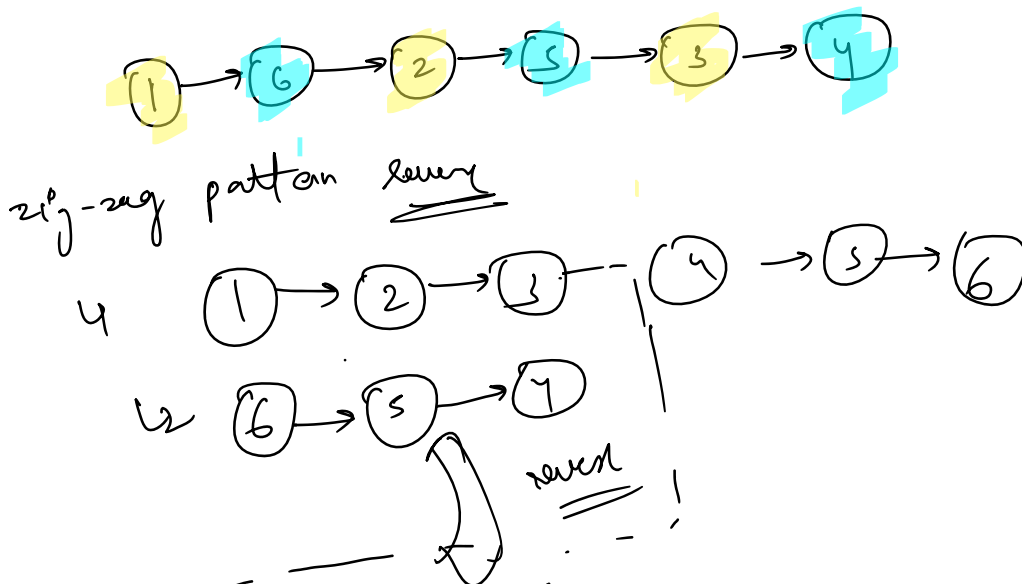
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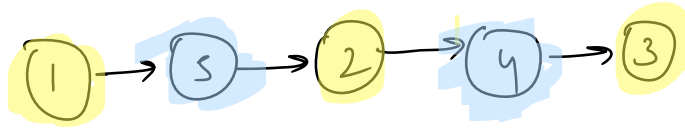
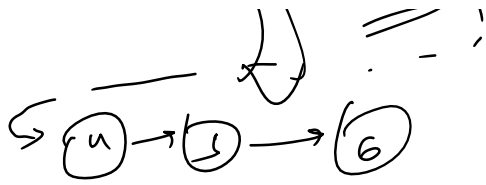
$\rightarrow O(N/2)$



Input: 1 -> 6 -> 2 -> 5 -> 3 -> 4
 Output: 1 2 3 4 5 6
 Input: 1 -> 5 -> 2 -> 4 -> 3
 Output: 1 2 3 4 5

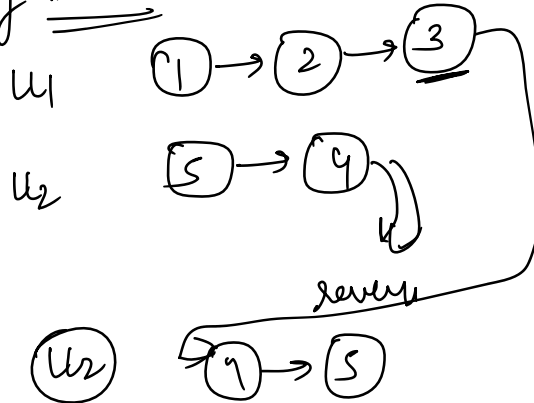
$l_0 \rightarrow l_n \rightarrow l_1 \rightarrow l_{n-1} \rightarrow l_2 \rightarrow l_{n-2} \Rightarrow l_0 \rightarrow l_1 \rightarrow l_2 \rightarrow l_3 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow l_n$
 (folded)



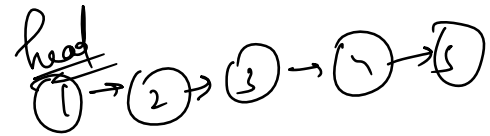


Algorithm

zig-zag break



① reverse

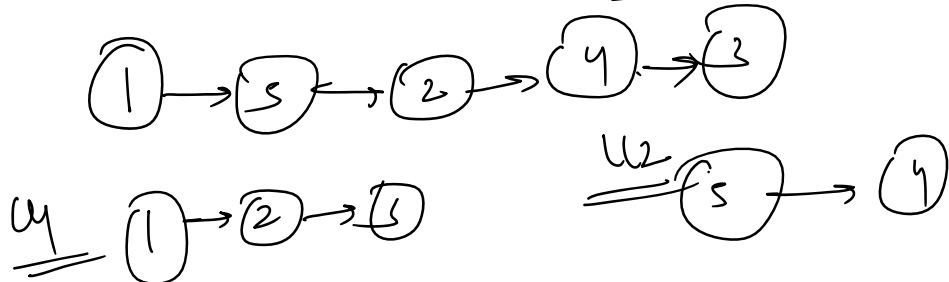


Algorithm

① downward zig-zag pattern ✓

② reverse U_2

③ Attach U_1 tail to U_2 head



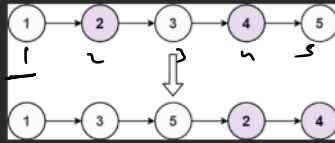
Given the head of a singly linked list, group all the nodes with odd indices together followed by the nodes with even indices, and return the reordered list.

The first node is considered odd, and the second node is even, and so on.

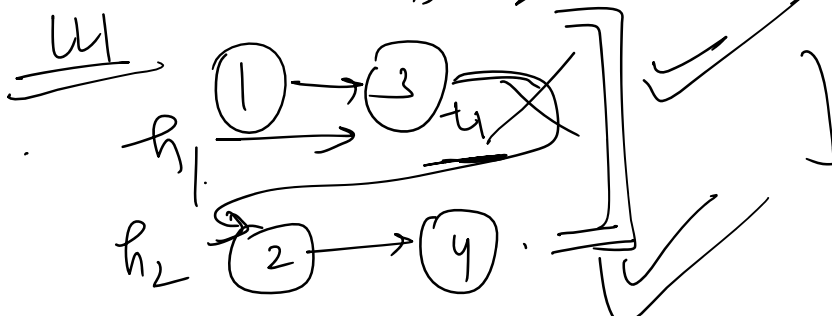
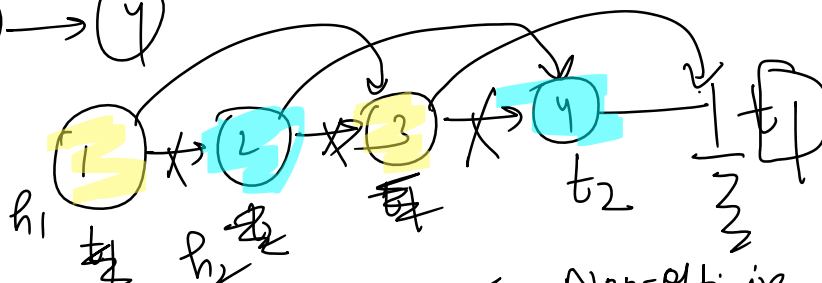
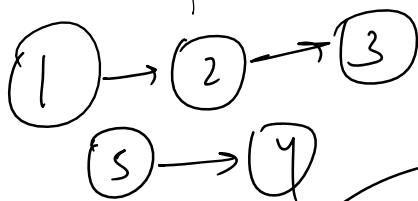
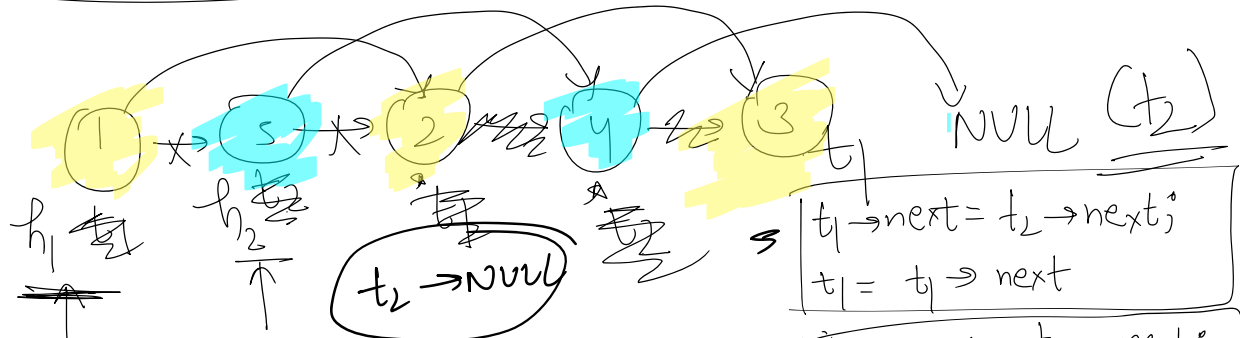
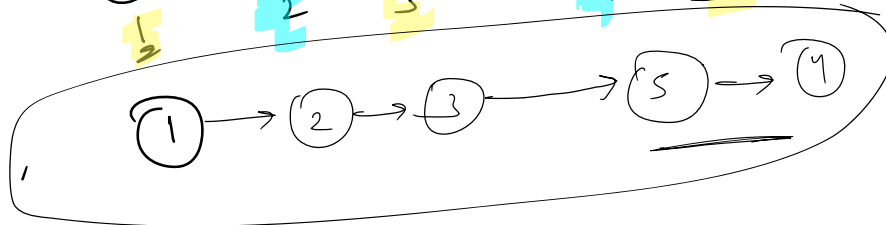
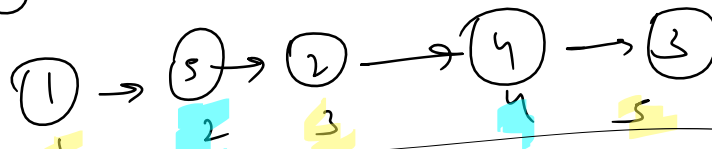
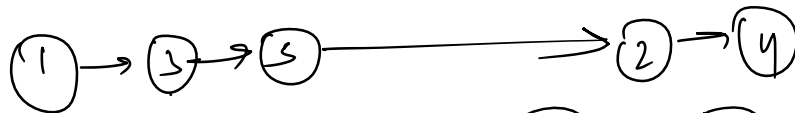
Note that the relative order inside both the even and odd groups should remain as it was in the input.

You must solve the problem in $O(1)$ extra space complexity and $O(n)$ time complexity.

Example 1:

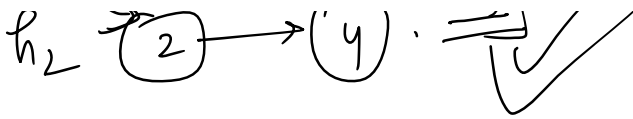


Input: head = [1,2,3,4,5]
Output: [1,3,5,2,4]

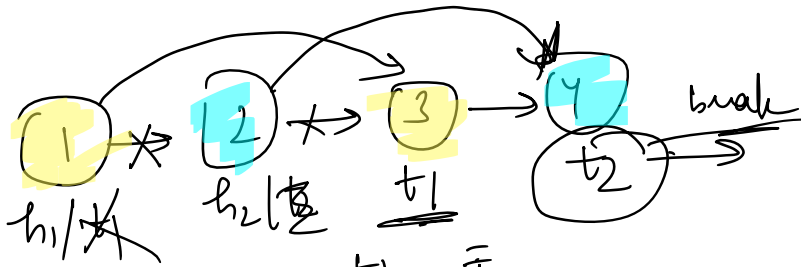


Non-optimize

break $t_1 \rightarrow \text{next} == \text{NULL}$
 $t_2 \rightarrow \text{next} == \text{NULL}$



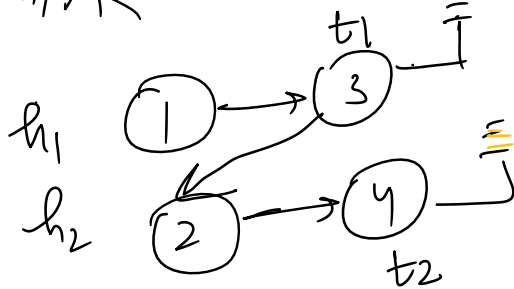
break | $t_2 \rightarrow next == NULL$



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t1->next = t2->next;
t1 = t1->next;
t2->next = t1->next;
t2 = t2->next;

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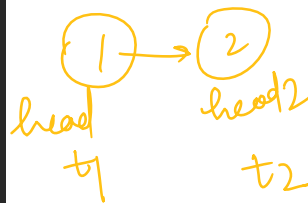
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class Solution {
public:
    ListNode* oddEvenList(ListNode* head) {
        if(head == NULL || head->next == NULL) return head;
        ListNode * head2 = head->next;
        ListNode * t1 = head, *t2 = head2;
        while(t2->next != NULL){
            t1->next = t2->next;
            t1 = t1->next;
            if(t1->next == NULL){
                break;
            }
            t2->next = t1->next;
            t2 = t2->next;
        }
        t2->next = NULL;
        t1->next = head2;
        return head;
    }
};

```

①

$t_2 \rightarrow next$

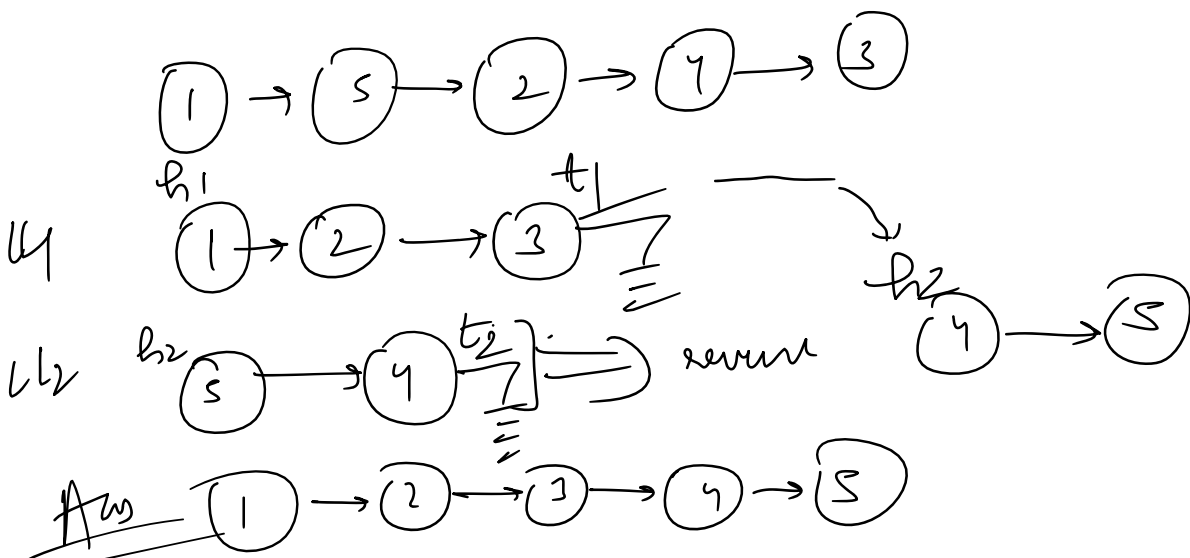


$t_1 \rightarrow next = t_2 \rightarrow next$
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~~$t_2 \rightarrow next$~~ T.C - $O(N)$

S.C - $O(1)$

Unfold



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Unfold

zig-zag - $O(N/2)$
rev - $O(N/2)$

T.C \rightarrow $O(N)$

S.C - $O(1)$ ✓

- ① Palindromic LL
- ② Field (Record) "
- ③ Unfold () "
- ④ odd-even pattern "

