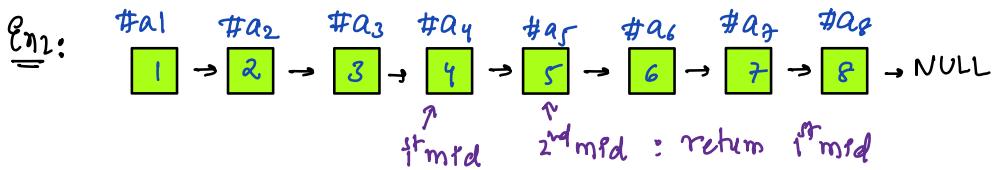
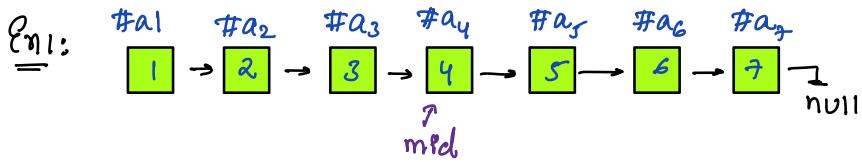


Todays Content:

- a) Merge
- b) Merge sort
- c) Re-arrange Linked List
- d) Cycle detection
  - i) Detect cycle
  - ii) find start of cycle
  - iii) Remove cycle
- f) find Intersection of linked list

Q8) Given head node find mid of linked list



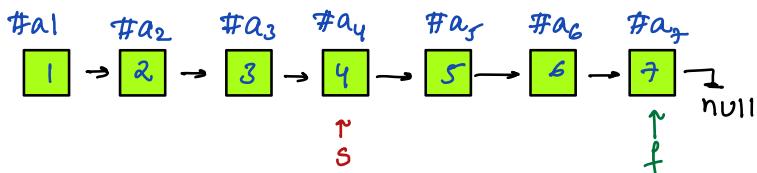
Idea: Iterate & get length, & goto to center node

TC:  $O(N)$  SC:  $O(1)$ , Note: Traversing 2 times on linked list

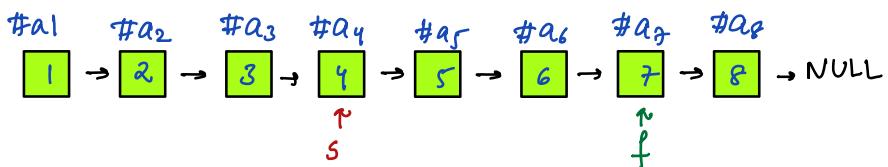
Idear2: Usage of slow and fast pointer

slow = slow.next

fast = fast.next.next



Obs1: If  $f.next == null$ , s is at centre



Obs2: If  $f.next.next == null$ , s is at centre

Node mid ( Node h ) { TC: O(N) SC: O(1)

s = h, f = h

if ( h == NULL ) { return h }

while ( f->next != NULL && f->next->next != NULL ) {

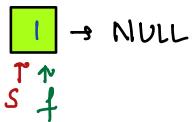
s = s->next

f = f->next->next

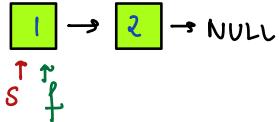
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return s;

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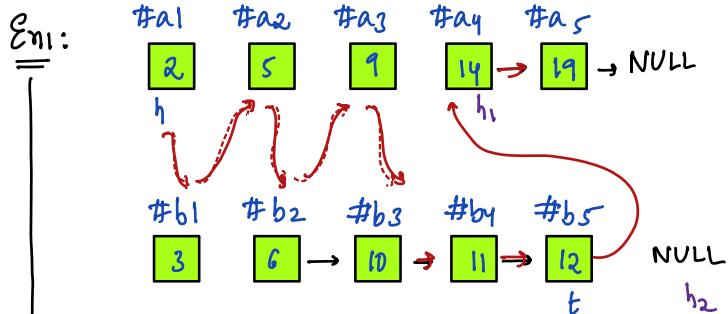


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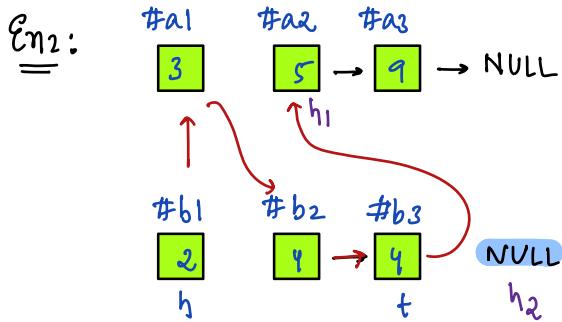
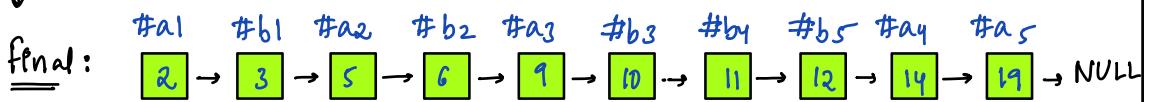


Q8) Given 2 sorted linked lists, Merge w/ get final sorted list

TC:  $O(N+M)$  SC: OLD



Obs: We will stop comparison, when one of them reached NULL



## Pseudo Code:

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Node merge(Node h1, Node h2) { TC: O(N+M) SC: O(1)
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if (h1 == null) { return h2 }

if (h2 == null) { return h1 }

Node h, t;

if (h1.data < h2.data) { h = h1, t = h1, h1 = h1.next }

else { h = h2, t = h2, h2 = h2.next }

while (h1 != null && h2 != null) {

    if (h1.data < h2.data) { // h1 is min
        t.next = h1; h1 = h1.next
        t = t.next
    } else { // h2 is min
        t.next = h2; h2 = h2.next
        t = t.next
    }
}

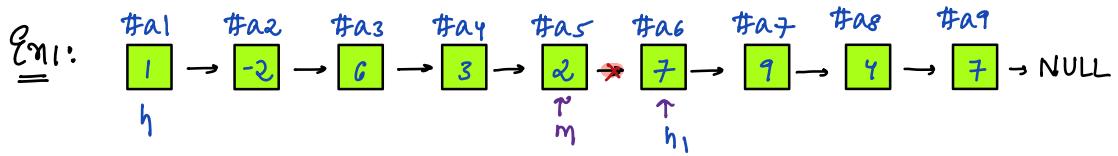
// link left out linked list

if (h1 != null) { t.next = h1 }

if (h2 != null) { t.next = h2 }

return h;
```

### 38) Merge Sort on Linked List:

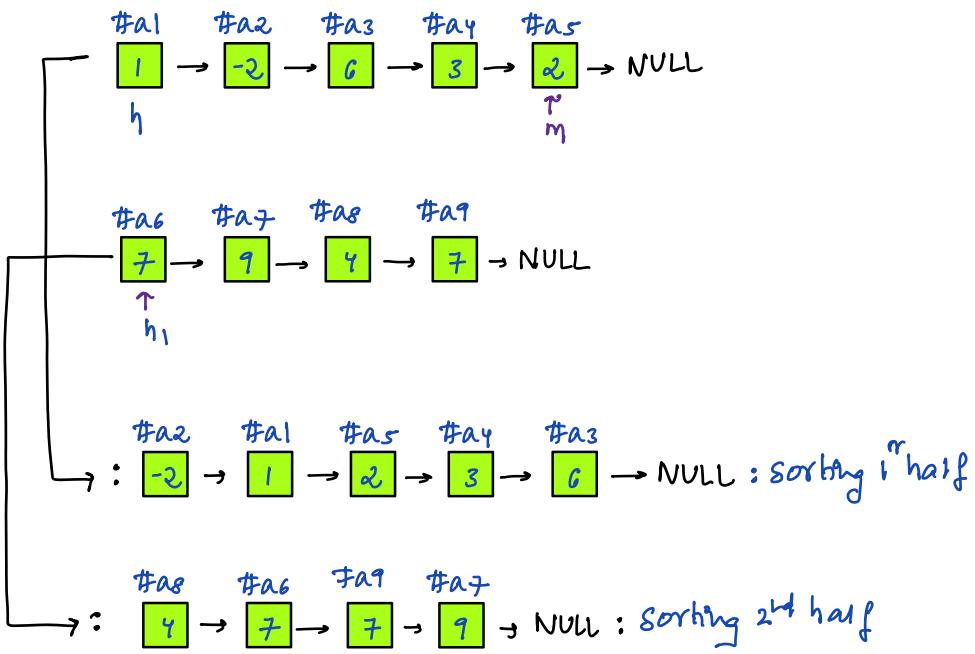


Step1: find the mid of linked list & divide into 2 linked list

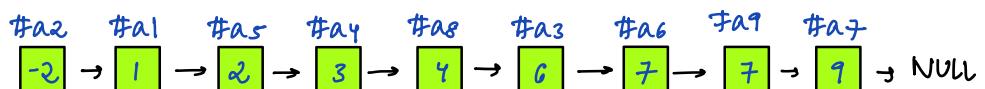
$$h_1 = m \cdot next$$

$$m \cdot next = \text{null}$$

Step2: Sort both linked lists using recursion



Step3: Merge both sorted linked list



Ass: Given linked list, sort & return head node of list

$\rightarrow$  // recursive stack space

Node mergesort (Node h) { TC:  $O(n \log n)$  SC:  $O(\log n)$   $\approx O$

if ( $h == null$  ||  $h.next == null$ ) { return h }

Node m = middle (h) // It will return mid of linked list }

Node  $t_1 = m.next$

$m.next = null$

Node  $t_1 = \text{mergesort}(h)$  // It will sort list & return head

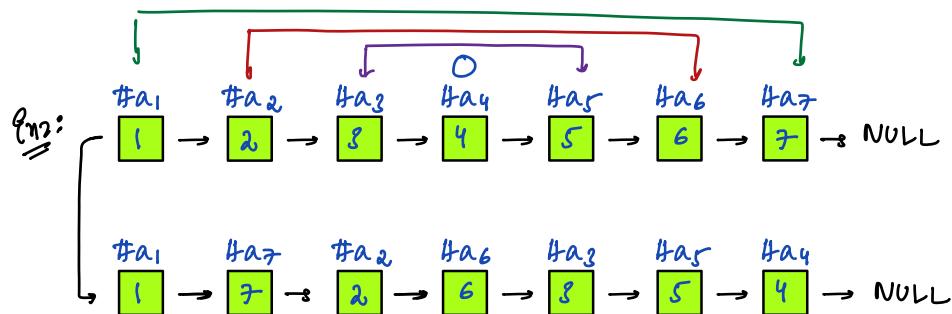
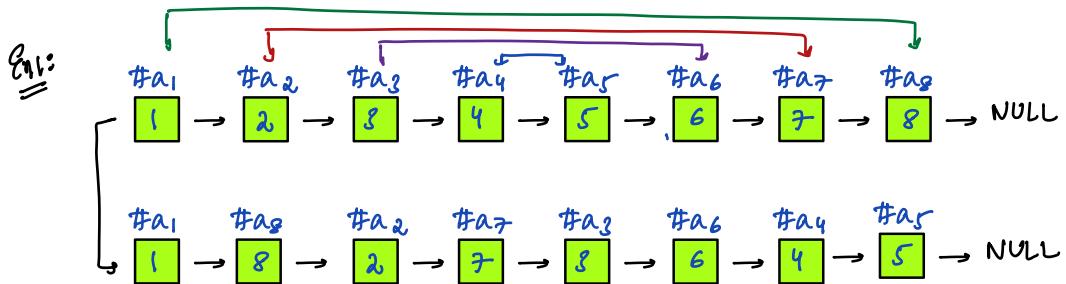
Node  $t_2 = \text{mergesort}(t_1)$  // It will sort list & return head

Node  $t_3 = \text{merge}(t_1, t_2)$  // merge 2 sorted lists & return head

return  $t_3$

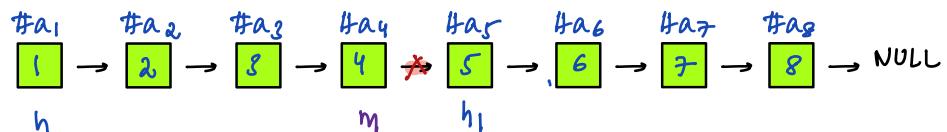
Re-arrange: Expected TC:  $O(N)$  SC:  $O(1)$  TODO 10:30 →

10:40

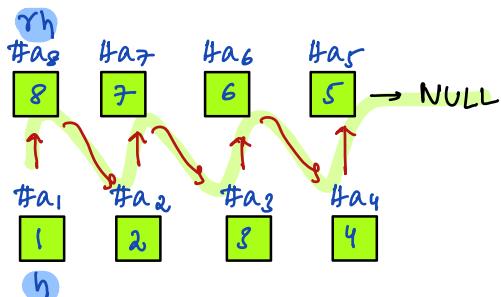


Idea:

Step 1: Find mid & separate 2 linked lists



Step 2: Reverse 2nd linked list

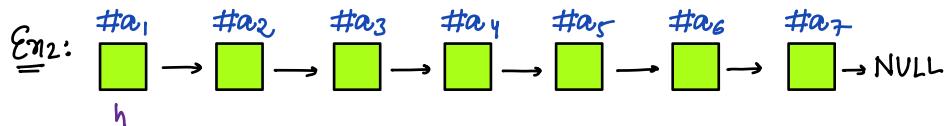
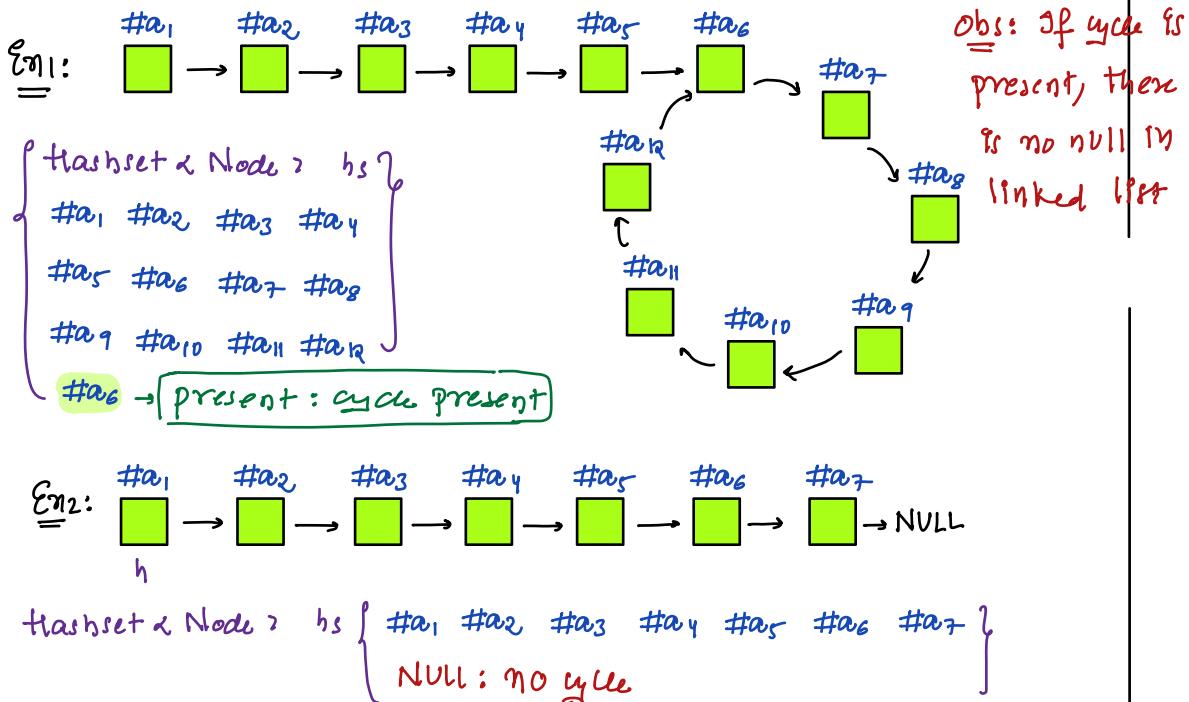


Step 3: Re-arrange links in h & rh so that {TODO}

we get 1 node from h & another from rh & so-on

Q8) Given a head node of linkedlist, check for cycle detection?

Extra Space:



hashset & Node \* hs {  
#a1, #a2, #a3, #a4, #a5, #a6, #a7 }  
NULL : no cycle

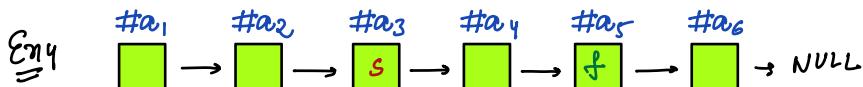
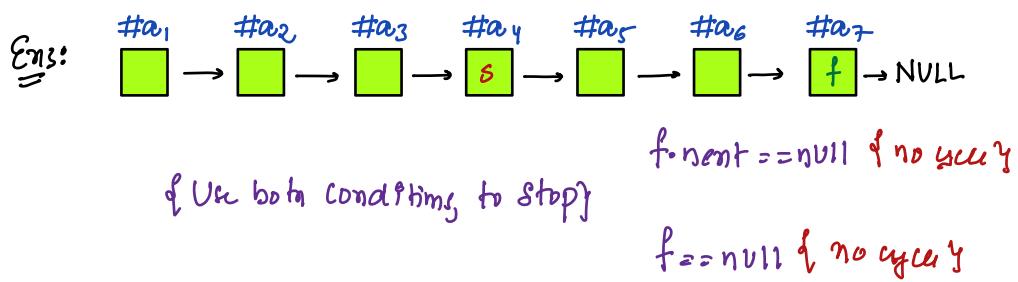
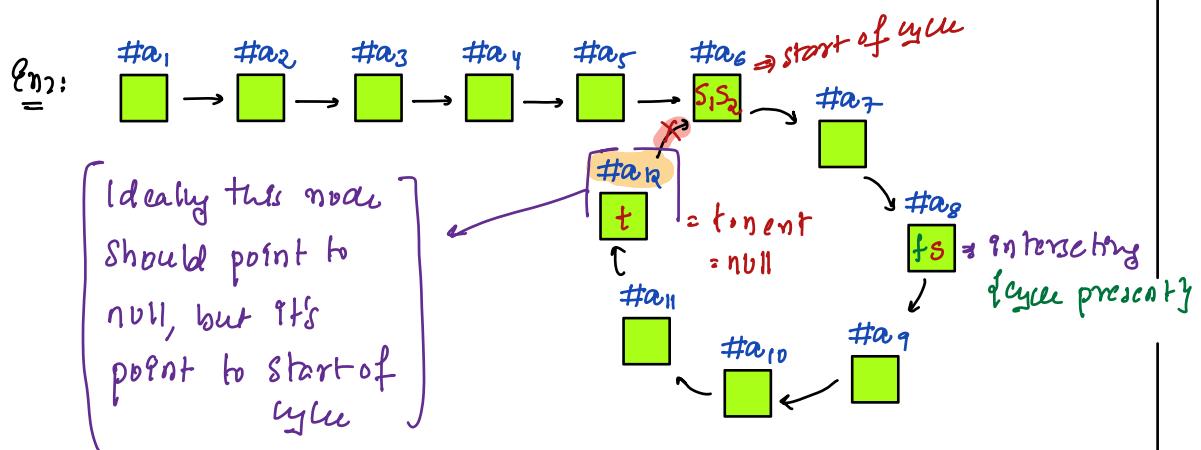
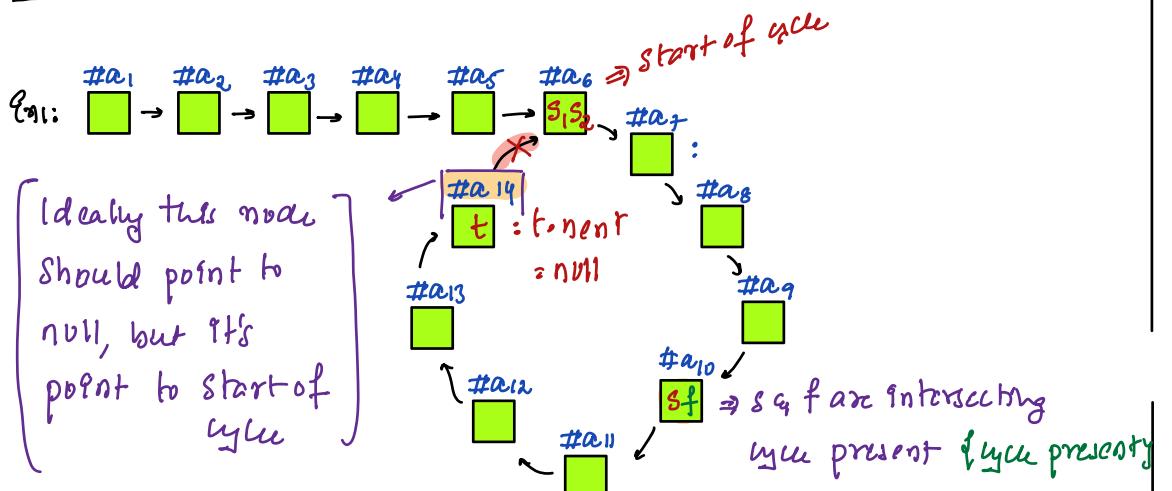
Ideal:

Iterate on list list & insert all address

- ② if an address is already present in hs : Cycle present
- ② if we reach null : Cycle absent

→ TC: O(N) SC: O(N) // Insert address in hashset

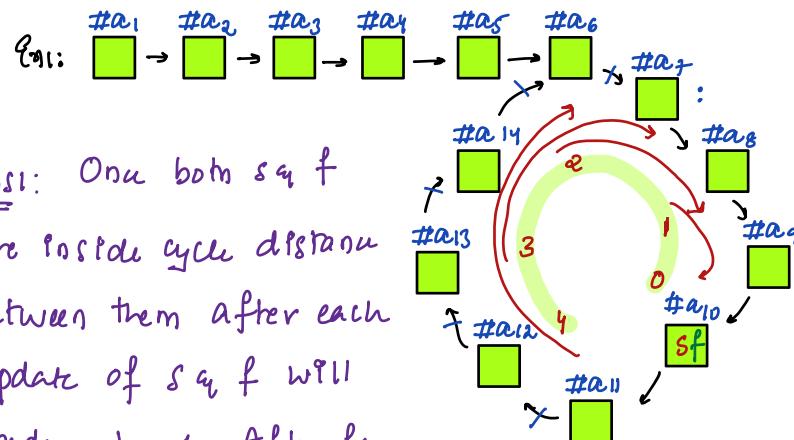
Idea: Using slow & fast pointer



Idea: Take  $s$  &  $f$  pointers, initialize them to head

$$\begin{array}{l} s = s \cdot \text{next} \\ f = f \cdot \text{next} \cdot \text{next} \end{array} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{if both are matching} \\ \text{cycle present?} \end{array} \right\}$$

Why should it intersect? If there is a cycle?



Start of cycle? { proof: doubt session }

: Take 2 slow pointers  $s_1$  &  $s_2$

:  $s_1 = h$  if head of list  $s_2 = \{\text{Intersection of } s \text{ & } f\}$

: Keep updating till both of them intersect,  
Their intersection point is start of cycle

Remove cycle:

: Take  $t$ , Initialize of cycle

: Iterate on cycle, until  $t \cdot \text{next} = \text{start of cycle}$

:  $t \cdot \text{next} = \text{null}$  / break thy cycle

Q): Given linked list if cycle present:

: remove cycle : last node should point to null

: return start of cycle

if cycle not present: return null

bool detectCycle(Node h) {

    Node s = h

    Node f = h

    bool iscycle = false;

    while (f != null && f.next != null) {

        s = s.next

        f = f.next.next

        if (s == f) {

            iscycle = true; break;

}

    if (iscycle == false) { return null; }

// find start of cycle?

    Node s<sub>1</sub> = h, s<sub>2</sub> = s or f { Both same }

    while (s<sub>1</sub> != s<sub>2</sub>) {

        s<sub>1</sub> = s<sub>1</sub>.next

        s<sub>2</sub> = s<sub>2</sub>.next

}

Note t = s<sub>1</sub> // start of cycle

    while (t.next != s<sub>1</sub>) {

        t = t.next // Keep iterating till we find node whose  
        next as start of cycle

    t.next = null // break cycle

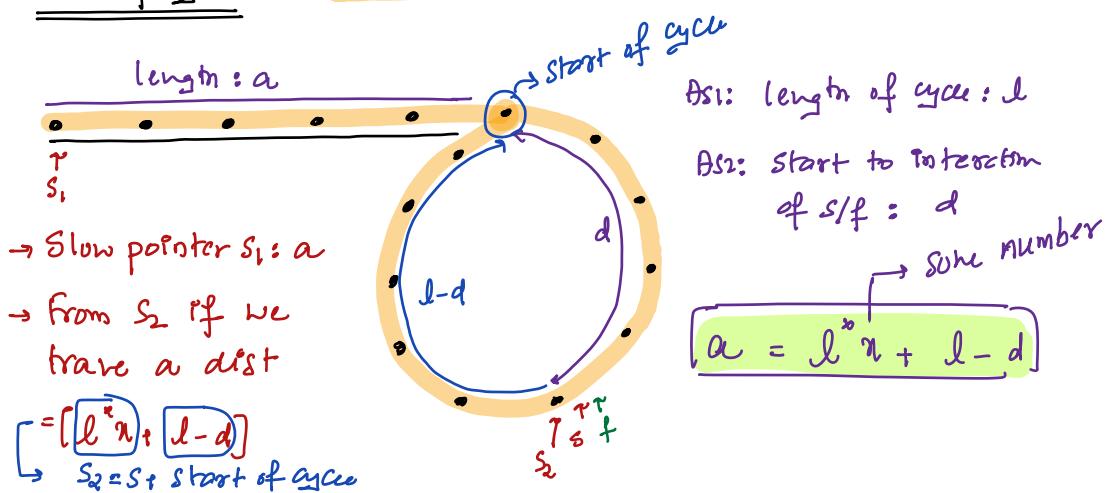
    return s<sub>1</sub> // start of cycle

Detect  
Cycle

find start  
of cycle

] removing cycle

Start of cycle? { proof: doubt session }



$$ds = \{ \text{distance travelled by slow pointer} \} = a + c_s^* l + d$$

$$df = \{ \text{distance travelled by fast pointer} \} = a + c_f^* l + d$$

//  $c_s$  = times s pointer iterate in cycle  $c_f$  = times f pointer iterate on cycle

$$\underline{\text{obs:}} \quad df = 2^* ds$$

$$a + c_f^* l + d = 2 [a + c_s^* l + d]$$

$$a + c_f^* l + d = 2a + [2c_s^* l + 2d]$$

$$c_f^* l - 2c_s^* l = a + d$$

$$a = c_f^* l - 2c_s^* l - d$$

// Add & subtract  $a$

$$a = \underline{c_f^* l - 2c_s^* l - d} + \underline{l - d}$$

$$= l [c_f - 2c_s - 1] + l - d \quad // \text{Say some number } n$$

$$a = l * n + l - d$$