

Linked List 1

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- Use of linked list over arrays.
- Basic functions { Access, Search }
- Insertion and deletion
- Reverse the linked list
- Palindrome list.

occupied

memory

occupied

occupied

Free

If you create an array will you be able to utilize all of the above free space.

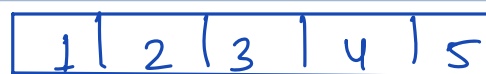
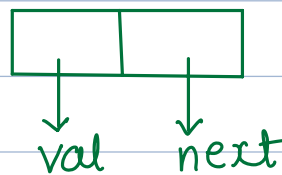
Array \rightarrow continuous block of memory.

what is linked list ?

LL is a data structure which can occupy non continuous blocks of free memory.

linked list \rightarrow Non continuous blocks of memory.

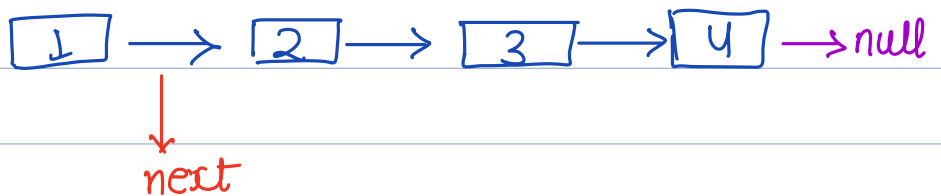
```
class Node {  
    int val  
    Node next
```



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Node (int x) {
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    val = x
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    next = null
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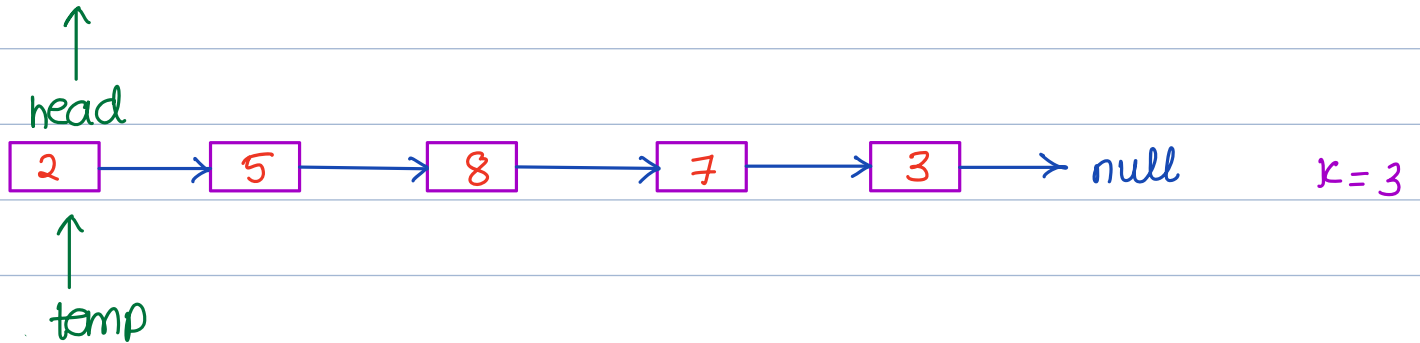
Operations

k is always valid

1> Access k^{th} element { $k=0$ is the first element }

$A =$ 0 1 2 3 4
 2 5 8 7 3 $k=3$

$A[k]$



→ NOTE : Never move the head node during traversal, create a temp node and move it.

$\text{temp} = \text{head}$

for ($i=0$; $i < k$; $i++$) {

$\text{temp} = \text{temp} . \text{next}$ → to move temp to the next node

print ($\text{temp} . \text{val}$)

Tc: $O(k)$

2> check for value X { searching }

Array

Linear search

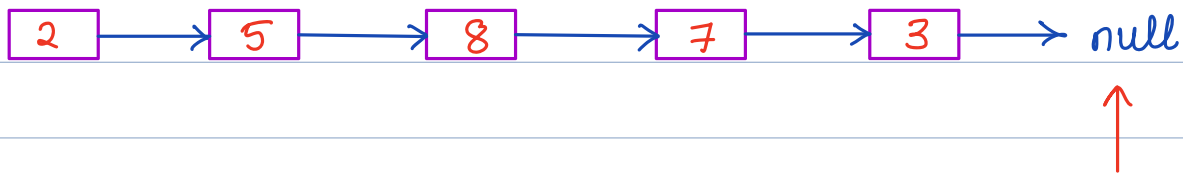
TC : $O(N)$

Binary search { sorted }

TC : $O(\log N)$

Linked List

$X = 11$



→ Linked List is empty

head = null



head.next

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NPE

Null Pointer Exception

temp = head

```
while ( temp != null ) {  
    if (temp.val == X) {  
        return true.  
    }  
    temp = temp.next  
}
```

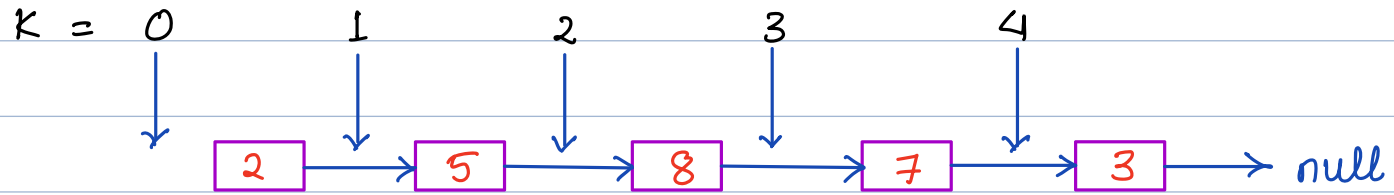
return false

TC : $O(N)$

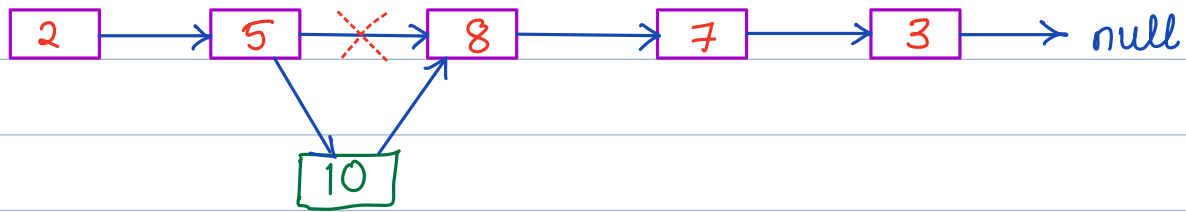
SC : $O(1)$

3> Insert a value X at k^{th} position {0-based}
in a linked list,

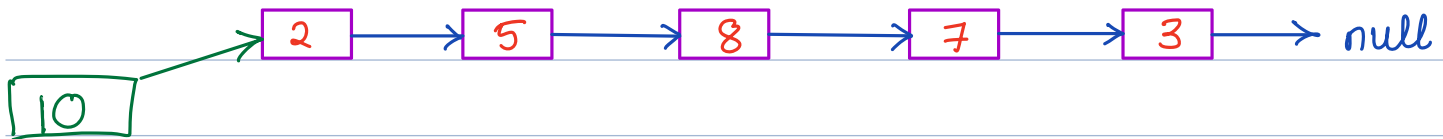
$$0 \leq k \leq N$$



At $k=2$ insert $X=10$



$k=0$, $X=10$



```
node = new Node(X) // Create a new  
node with val X
```

```
if (k == 0) {  
    node.next = head  
    head = node  
}
```

```
else {
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```
    temp = head
```

```
    for (i = 0; i < k - 1; i++) {
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        temp = temp.next
```

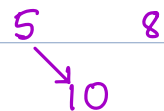
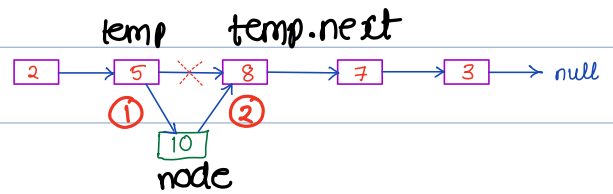
```
    }
```

```
    ② node.next = temp.next
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```
    ① temp.next = node
```

```
}
```

```
return head
```



TC: $O(k)$

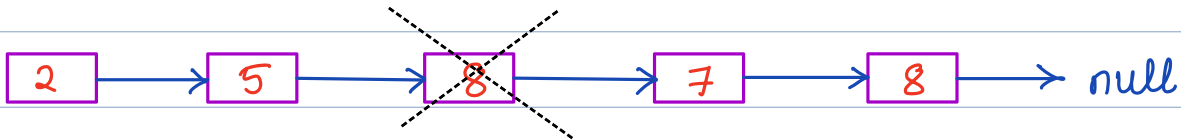
SC: $O(1)$

Q → Delete the first occurrence of value X in the given linked list. {If X is not present don't change}

Return the new head after deletion.



$X = 8$



$2 \rightarrow 5 \rightarrow 7 \rightarrow 8 \rightarrow \text{null}$

Cases

1> head is null

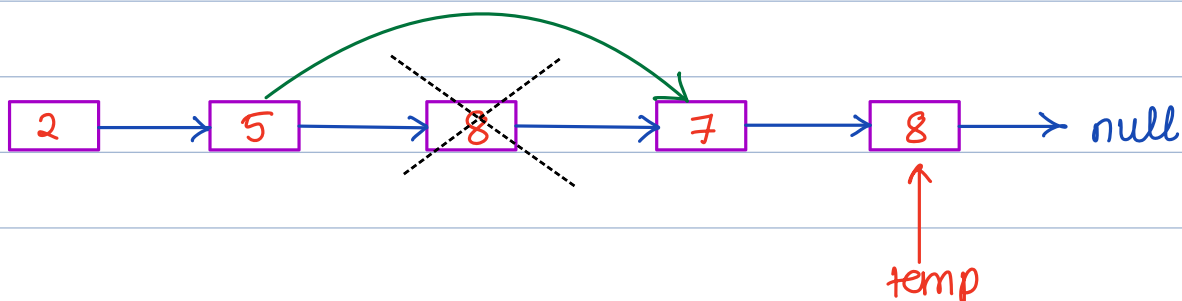
2> $\text{head.val} == X$

① if (head == null) {
 return head
}

$X = 2$

$2 \rightarrow 5 \rightarrow \text{null}$

② if (head.val == X) {
 return head.next
}



temp = head

```
while ( temp.next != null ) {  
    if ( temp.next.val == x ) {  
        temp.next = temp.next.next  
        return head  
    }  
    temp = temp.next  
}  
  
return head.
```

TC: $O(N)$

SC: $O(1)$

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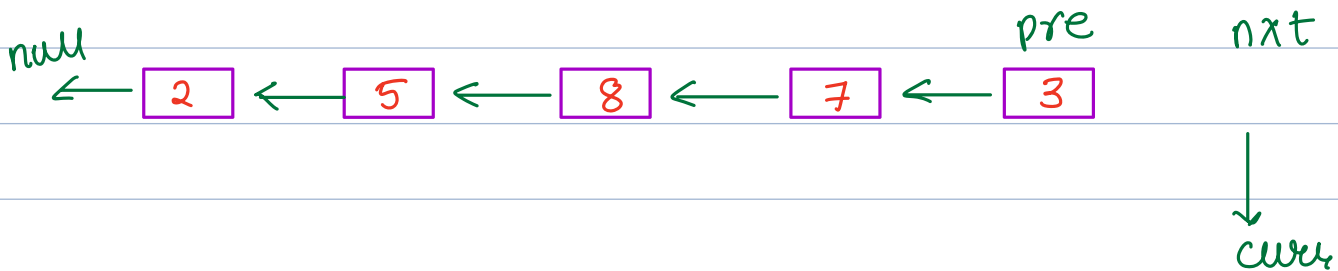
Reverse the Linked List

Donot change values, you need to swap pointers.



Bruteforce : Use extra space

- store linked list into an array
- Reverse the array
- Create a new linked list.

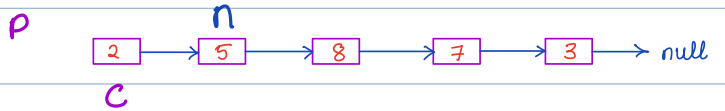


Node reverseList (Node head) {

if (head == null) return head

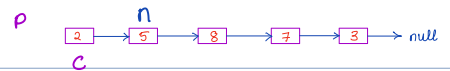
pre = null

cur = head

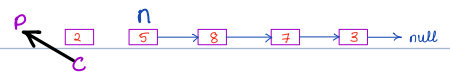


while (cur != null) {

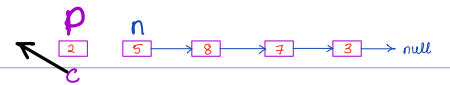
next = cur.next



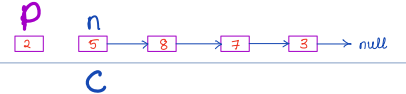
cur.next = pre



pre = cur



cur = next



return pre

}

TC: $O(N)$

SC: $O(1)$

Q → check if the given linked list is a palindrome.
madam
mom



return False



return true

Idea 1 → Create a new linked list *copy*
Reverse the copy
Compare copy with original linked list.

a b b a
a b



Step 1 → Find middle of linked list

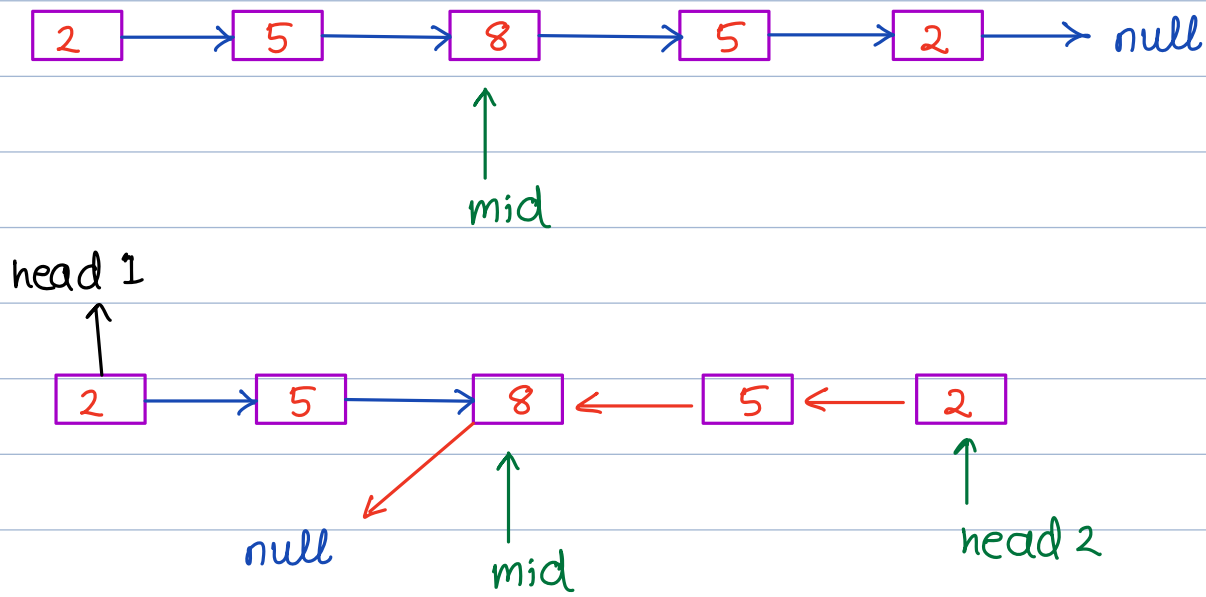
First count no. of nodes = size

Iterate to the node $\text{size}/2$.



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mid

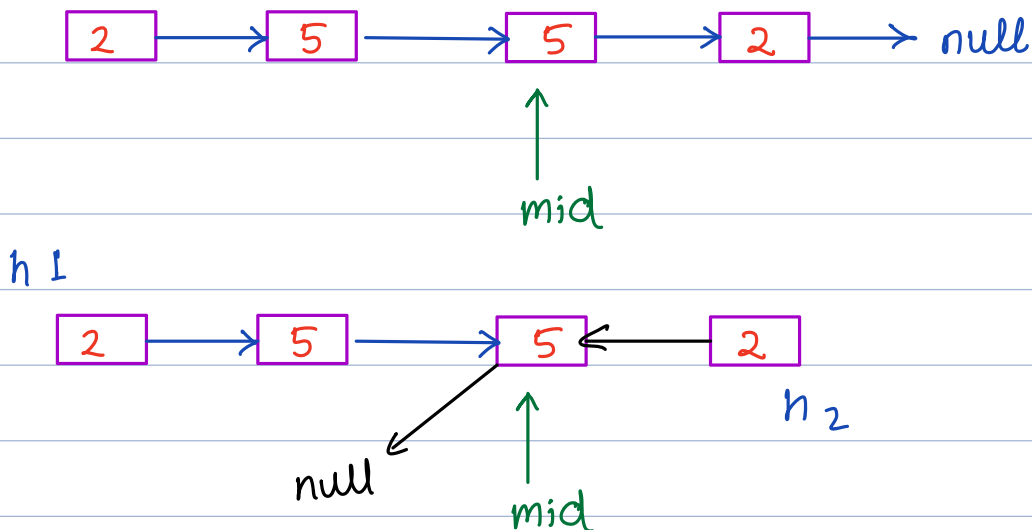
step 2 → Reverse the linked list from mid using previous code.



step 3 → Check head 1 and head 2 values if they are not same return false else

head1 = head1.next

head2 = head2.next

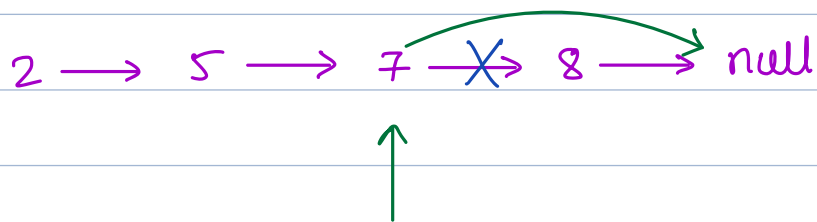


TODO → Write the code.

Tc: $O(N)$

Sc: $O(1)$

Doubt session



temp = head

```
while ( temp.next != null ) {  
    if ( temp.next.val == X ) {  
        temp.next = temp.next.next  
        return head  
    }  
    temp = temp.next  
}
```

1 → 2 → 3 → 4 → 5

1 → 2 → 3

1 → 2

1

$n \log n$