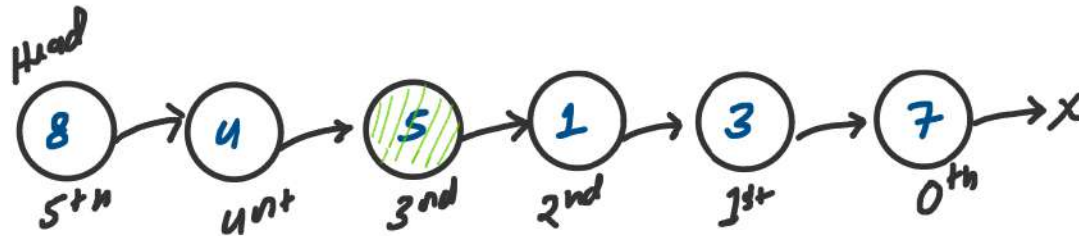


HW 05: Print kth Node from the End (Hacker Rank)

Ex 1



$$pos = kth = 3$$

Output = 5  
3rd

RECURSIVE APPROACH

STEP: 1 TRAVERSE the list from Head to Tail

STEP: 2 Again TRAVERSE the list from Tail to [jab tak pos == 0]

STEP: 3 Return Ans = 5

DRY RUN  
pos=3

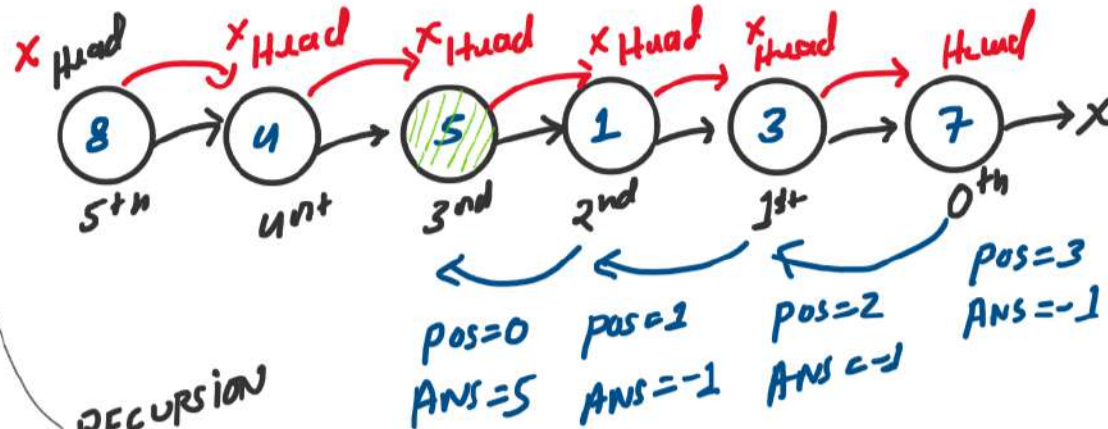
**STEP 1**

Base case  
if (!Head)  
return

fun(Head->next, pos, ans)

RECURSION

**STEP: 3**  
return ans



**STEP 2**

if (pos == 0) {  
ans = head->data;  
}

pos--;

catch (Galti ki chances hai)

BACKTRACKING

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// HW 05: Print kth Node from the End (Hackerrank)

/*
 * For your reference:
 *
 * SinglyLinkedListNode {
 *     int data;
 *     SinglyLinkedListNode* next;
 * };
 */

void solve(SinglyLinkedListNode* head, int &pos, int &ans){
    // Base case
    if(head == 0) return;

    // Step 1: traverse list from head to tail
    solve(head->next, pos, ans);

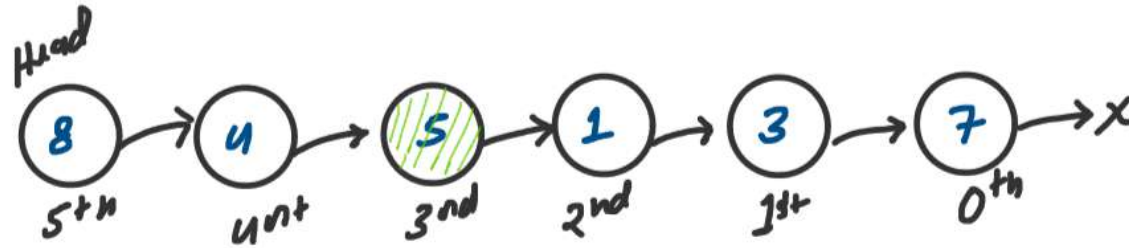
    // Step 2: traverse list from tail to (Jab tak pos == 0)
    if(pos == 0){
        ans = head->data;
    }
    --pos;
}

int getNode(SinglyLinkedListNode* llist, int positionFromTail) {
    // Step 3: return ans
    int ans = -1;
    solve(llist, positionFromTail, ans);
    return ans;
}

```

$T.C. \Rightarrow O(N)$   
 Where  $N$  is number of nodes in the list.  
 $S.C. \Rightarrow O(1)$

Ex 1



$pos = kth = 3$

Output = 5  
3rd

### ITERATIVE APPROACH

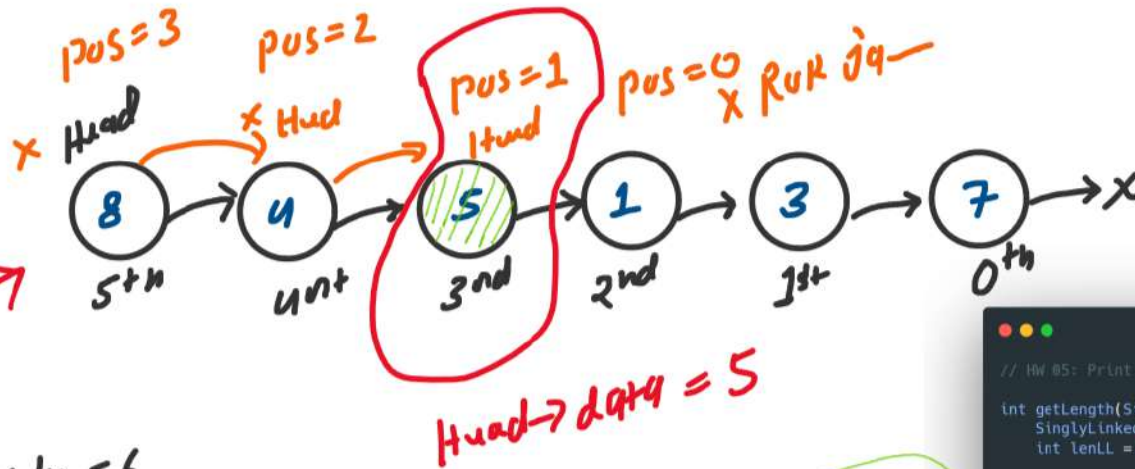
STEP:1 Get length of list

STEP:2 Subtract length - pos

STEP:3 Traverse list from head to  
[jab tak pos == 0]

DRY RUN

K=3



Step 1 length = 6

Step 2  $pos = length - K = 6 - 3 = 3$

Step 3

we have  $1st \rightarrow data$

T.C.  $\Rightarrow O(N) + O(N)$   
 $= O(N)$   
 S.C.  $\Rightarrow O(1)$

```
// HW 05: Print kth Node from the End (Hackerrank)

int getLength(SinglyLinkedListNode* head){
    SinglyLinkedListNode* temp = head;
    int lenLL = 0;

    // Base case
    if(head == 0) return lenLL;

    while (temp->next != 0) {
        lenLL++;
        temp = temp->next;
    }

    return lenLL;
}

int getNode(SinglyLinkedListNode* llist, int positionFromTail) {
    // Step 1: get length of list
    int length = getLength(llist);

    // Step 2: subtract pos from length
    int posFromHead = length - positionFromTail;

    // Step 3: traverse list from head to (jab tak pos==0)
    while(posFromHead != 0){
        llist = llist->next;
        posFromHead--;
    }

    return llist->data;
}
```

$\rightarrow O(N)$

$\rightarrow O(N)$