

16.216: ECE Application Programming

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1. (Review) Describe the general design of a linked list.
2. (Review) Describe the structure used for each node in the list.

3. Explain the operation of the following function, which adds a node to the beginning of the list and returns a pointer to that node.

```
LLnode *addNode(LLnode *list, int v) {
    LLnode *newNode;
    // Allocate space for new node; exit if error
    newNode = (LLnode *)malloc(sizeof(LLnode));
    if (newNode == NULL) {
        fprintf(stderr,
                "Error: could not allocate new node\n");
        exit(0);
    }
    newNode->value = v;    // Copy value to new node
    newNode->next = list;  // next points to old list
    return newNode;
}
```

4. Write each of the following functions:
- a. Finding item in list (Function should return pointer to node if found and return NULL otherwise)

```
LLnode *findNode(LLnode *list, int v) {
```

```
}
```

b. Removing item from list

- Must deallocate space for deleted node
- Function should return pointer to start of list after it has been modified
 - No modifications should be made if value `v` is not in list
 - Hint: you can use the `findNode()` function in this function, but you may not want to!
- Note: removing first element in list is special case

```
LLnode *delNode(LLnode *list, int v) {
```

```
}
```