

# Algorithms and Datastructures

Linked Lists, Binary Search Trees

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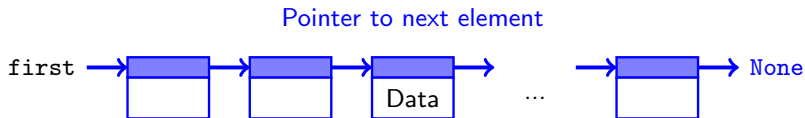


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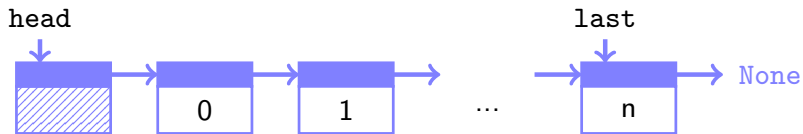


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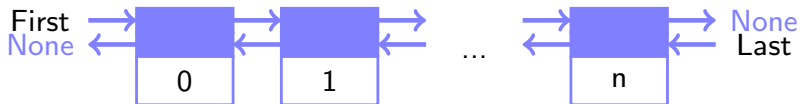


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- ▶ Iterate forward and backward

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## Implementation - Node/Element - Python

```
class Node:
    """ Defines a node of a singly linked
        list.
    """

    def __init__(self, value, nextNode):
        self.value = value
        self.nextNode = nextNode

    def __init__(self, value):
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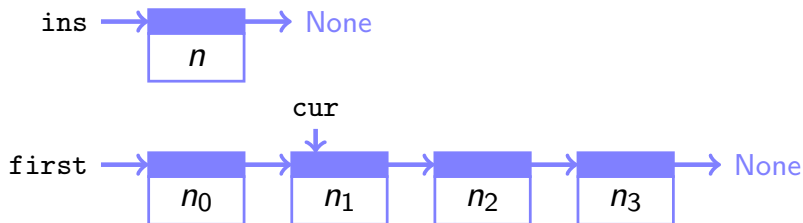
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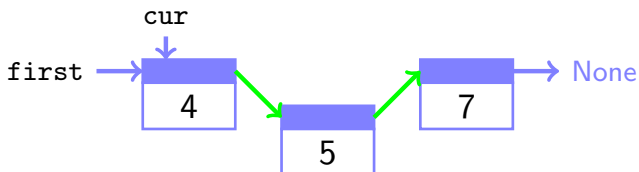
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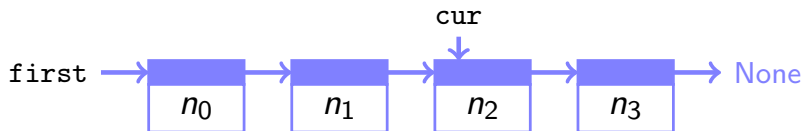




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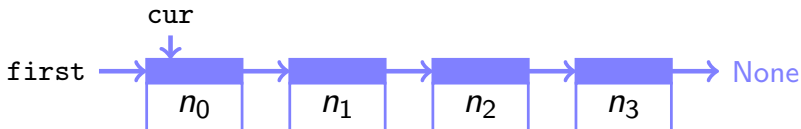


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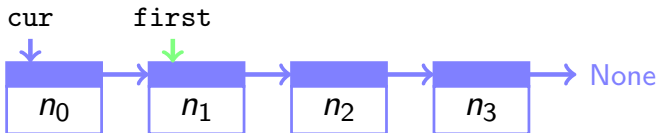
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**Removing a node** cur: (General case)

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if cur == first:
    first = first.nextNode
else:
    pre = first
    while pre.nextNode != cur:
        pre = pre.nextNode

    pre.nextNode = cur.nextNode
```



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```
class LinkedList:
    def __init__(self):
        self.itemCount = 0
        self.head = Node()
        self.last = self.head

    def size(self):
        return self.itemCount

    def isEmpty(self):
        return self.itemCount == 0
```



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```
def append(self, value):
```

```
...
```

```
def insertAfter(self, cur, value):
```

```
...
```

```
def remove(self, cur):
```

```
...
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```
def get(self, position):
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def contains(self, value):
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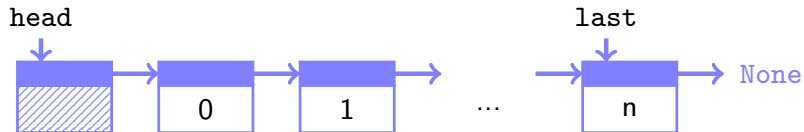
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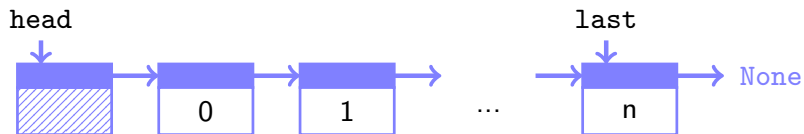
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- ▶ The pointer to head is not modified

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```
def insertAfter(self, cur, value):  
    if cur == last:  
        # also update last node  
        append(value)  
    else:  
        # last node is not modified  
        cur.nextNode = Node(value, \  
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        itemCount += 1
```

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def remove(self, cur):  
    pre = first  
    while pre.nextNode != cur:  
        pre = pre.nextNode  
  
    pre.nextNode = cur.nextNode  
    itemCount -= 1  
  
    if pre.nextNode == None:  
        last = pre
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def get(self, pos):  
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        return None  
  
    cur = head  
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def contains(self, value):  
    cur = head  
  
    for i in range(0, itemCount):  
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            return True  
  
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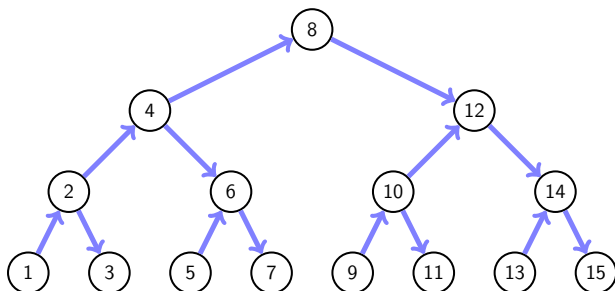


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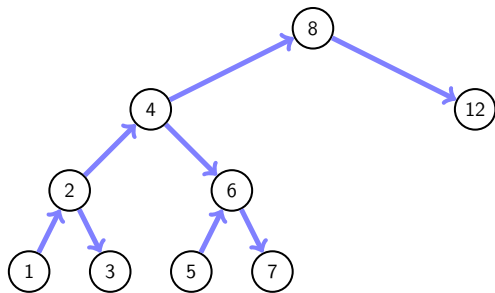


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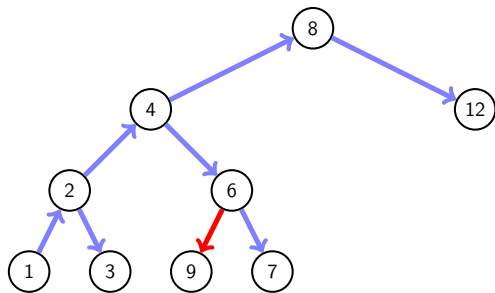


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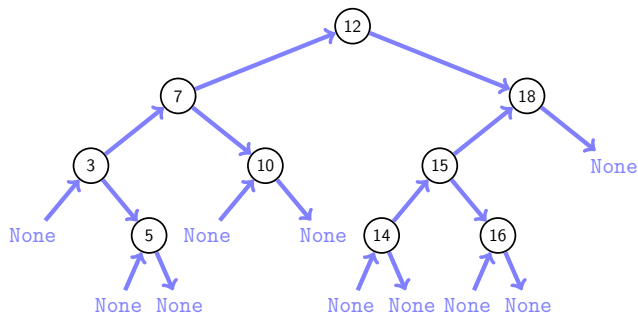
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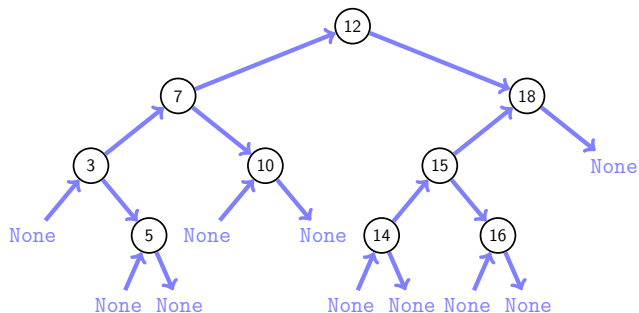


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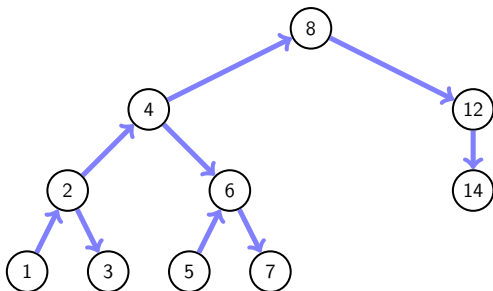


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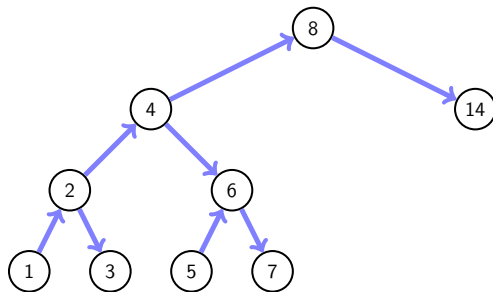


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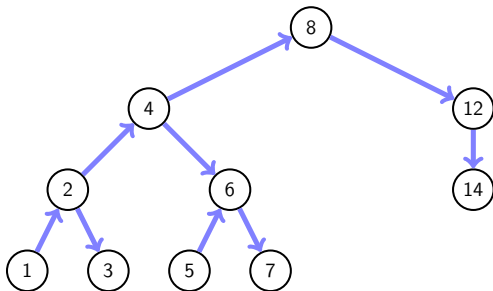
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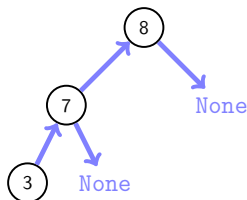


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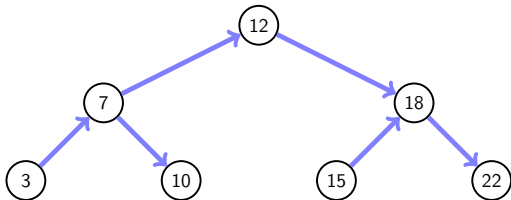


Figure: Complete binary tree  $d = \log n$

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