

Data Structures

Creating and traversing the linked list

Creating a node:

datapart	pointer
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- Create a node for a single linked list.
- Data part contains an integer.
- Pointer contains the address of the next node.
- typedef is used for easy accessing of structure variables.

```
#include<stdio.h>
#include<stdlib.h>
#include<math.h>

//creating a node.
typedef struct lin_list{
    int data;
    struct lin_list *next;
}lin_list;
```

Creating a linked list:



- Declaring each node.
- Allocate memory for all the nodes.
- Store the data to in respective nodes and pointing to the next node.
- Printing the linked list.
- We traverse the linked list using the head node.

```
int main() {
    lin_list *head=NULL;
    lin_list *second=NULL;
    lin_list *third=NULL;

    head=(lin_list*)malloc(sizeof(lin_list));
    head->data=1;
    second=(lin_list*)malloc(sizeof(lin_list));
    head->next=second;
    second->data=2;
    third=(lin_list*)malloc(sizeof(lin_list));
```

```
second->next=third;
third->data=3;
third->next=NULL;
printf("first node-%d \n",head->data);
printf("second node from first node-%d \n",head->next->data);
printf("second node-%d \n",second->data);
printf("third node from second node-%d \n",second->next->data);
printf("third node-%d \n",third->data);
while(head!=NULL) {
    printf("%d ",head->data);
    head=head->next;
}
return 0;
```

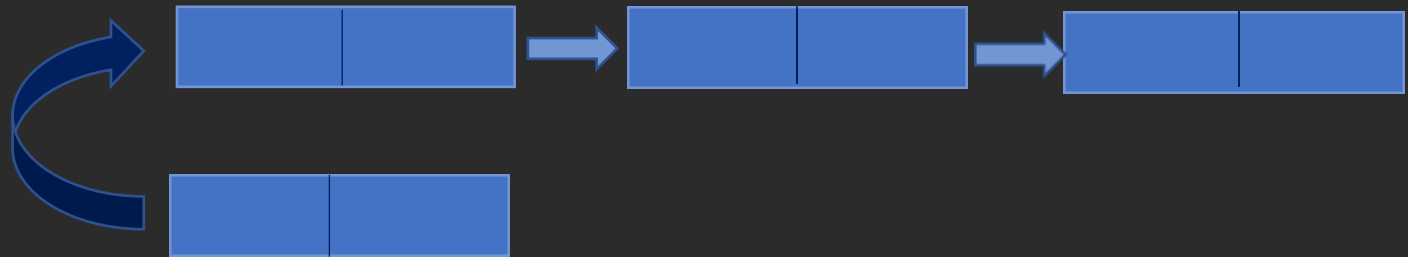


first node-1
second node from first node-2
second node-2
third node from second node-3
third node-3
1 2 3

Inserting a node into a linked list:

- Write a function to insert element into linked list.
- Return type is pointer to structure.
- Allocate memory for newly added node.
- Store the data and add the new node to the linked list.

```
lin_list *insertnode(lin_list *head, int data) {  
    lin_list *temp=(lin_list*)malloc(sizeof(lin_list));  
    temp->data=data;  
    temp->next=NULL;  
    if(head==NULL) {  
        head=temp;  
    }  
    else {  
        temp->next=head;  
        head=temp;  
    }  
    return head;  
}
```



Traversing the linked list:

- Traverse the linked list using the head node.
- Head contains the starting address of the linked list.
- head->next contains the address of the next node of the linked list.
- head=head->next means we are entering into next node, now head represent next node of the previous head node.

```
while (head!=NULL) {  
    printf("%d ", head->data) ;  
    head=head->next;  
}
```

Whole program:

```
#include<stdio.h>
#include<stdlib.h>

//creating a node.
typedef struct lin_list{
    int data;
    struct lin_list *next;
}lin_list;

lin_list *insertnode(lin_list *head,int data){
    lin_list *temp=(lin_list*)malloc(sizeof(lin_list));
    temp->data=data;
    temp->next=NULL;
    if(head==NULL){
        head=temp;
    }
    else{
        temp->next=head;
        head=temp;
    }
}
```

```
    }  
    return head;  
}  
  
int main() {  
    lin_list *head=NULL;  
    head=insertnode(head,5);  
    head=insertnode(head,6);  
    head=insertnode(head,7);  
    while(head!=NULL) {  
        printf("%d ",head->data);  
        head=head->next;  
    }  
    return 0;  
}
```

Output:

7 6 5