

LINKED LISTS -1

Question: Given a non-empty, singly linked list with head node head, return a middle node of linked list. In single pass.

YOU HAVE 15 MINUTES

LOOK UP :

Link: <https://leetcode.com/problems/middle-of-the-linked-list/>

INTUITION

Two racers start from the same start position on a race track on length 2 miles. Racer A runs at 2 miles per hour. Racer B runs at 1 mile per hour. After 1 hour, where will Racer A ?

```
1  # Middle of the Linked List - Single Pass
2  class Solution(object):
3      def middleNode(self, head):
4          racerA = racerB = head
5          while racerA and racerA.next:
6              racerB = racerB.next
7              racerA = racerA.next.next
8          return racerB
```

TIME COMPLEXITY - $O(N)$, SPACE COMPLEXITY - $O(1)$

Question: Given a linked list, determine if it has a cycle in it.

YOU HAVE 15 MINUTES

<https://leetcode.com/problems/linked-list-cycle/>

INTUITION

Two racers start from the same start position on a circular race track on length 2 miles. Racer A runs at 2 miles per hour. Racer B runs at 1 mile per hour. Will they ever meet ?

```
1  # Detect loop in a linked list
2  class Solution(object):
3      def hasCycle(self, head):
4          racerB = head
5          racerA = head
6          while(racerB and racerA and racerA.next):
7              racerB = racerB.next
8              racerA = racerA.next.next
9              if racerB == racerA:
10                 return True
11         return False
```

TIME COMPLEXITY - $O(N)$, SPACE COMPLEXITY - $O(1)$

Question: Merge two sorted linked lists and return it as a new list. The new list should be made by splicing together the nodes of the first two lists. YOU HAVE 15 MINUTES

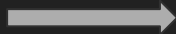
EXAMPLE:

INPUT: 1->2->4, 1->3->4

OUTPUT: 1->1->2->3->4->4

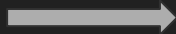
Link: <https://leetcode.com/problems/merge-two-sorted-lists/>

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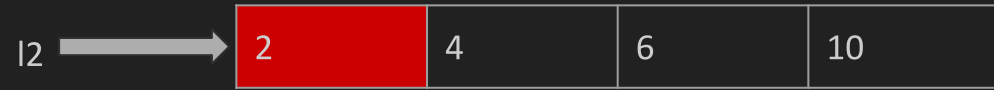
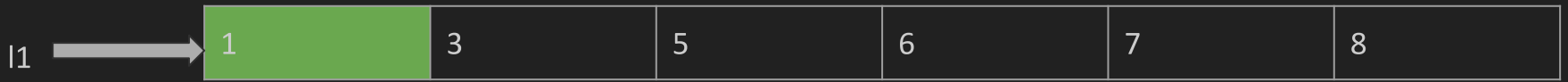


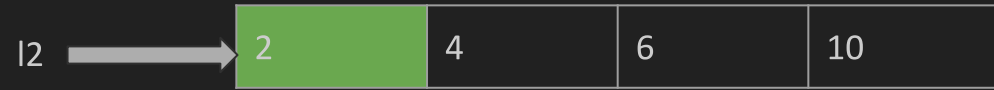
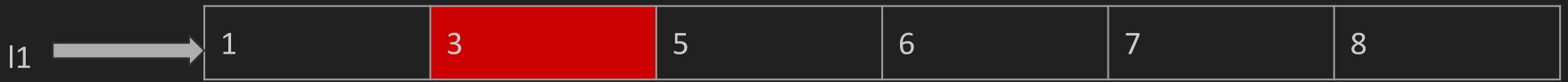
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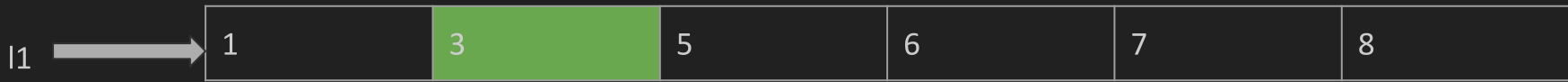
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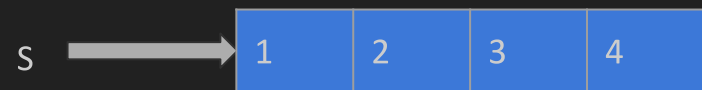
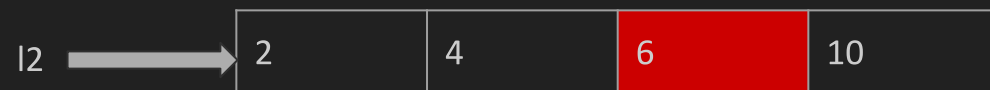
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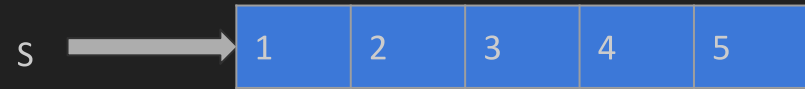


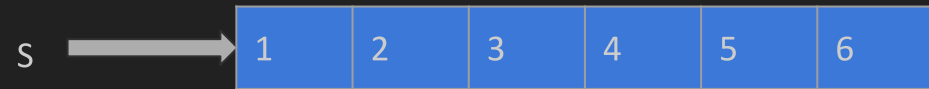
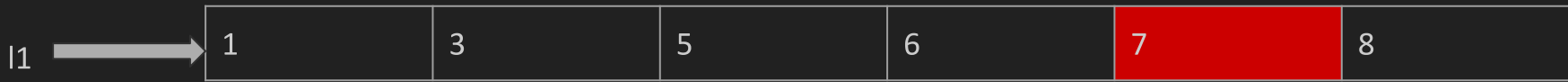


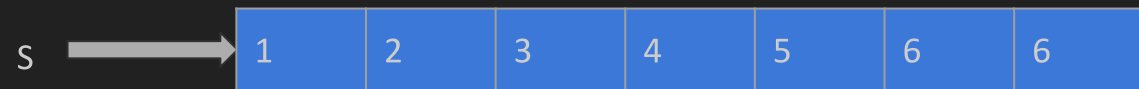
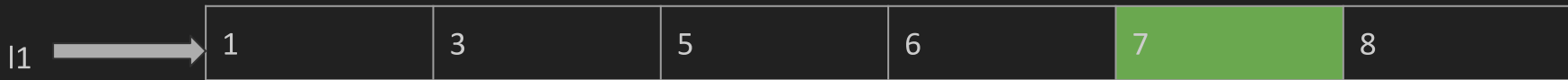


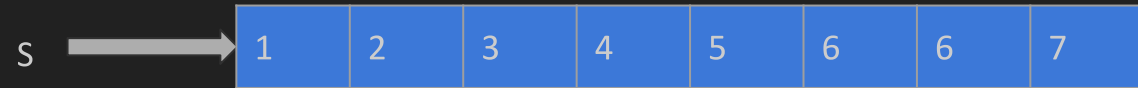
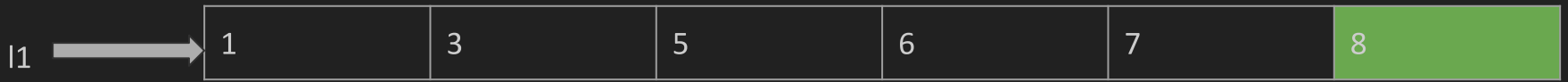


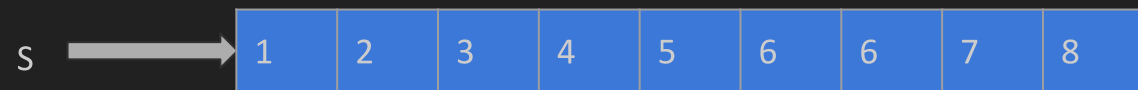
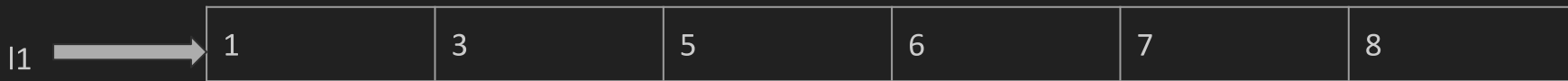












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1 # Merge two sorted Linked List
2 class Solution(object):
3     def mergeTwoLists(self, l1, l2):
4         start = ListNode(-1)
5         previous = start
6         while l1 and l2:
7             if l1.val <= l2.val:
8                 previous.next = l1
9                 l1 = l1.next
10            else:
11                previous.next = l2
12                l2 = l2.next
13            previous = previous.next
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16         previous.next = l1 if l1 is not None else l2
17         return start.next
```

TIME COMPLEXITY - $O(M+N)$

Question: Reverse a singly linked list.

YOU HAVE 15 MINUTES

<https://leetcode.com/problems/reverse-linked-list/>

INTUITION

<https://www.educative.io/courses/coderust-hacking-the-coding-interview/lq2j>

```
1  # Reverse a singly linked list
2  class Solution(object):
3      def reverseList(self, head):
4          if(head == None or head.next == None):
5              return head
6          list_to_do = head.next
7          reversed_list = head
8          reversed_list.next = None
9
10         while (list_to_do != None):
11             temp = list_to_do
12             list_to_do = list_to_do.next
13             temp.next = reversed_list
14             reversed_list = temp
15
16         return reversed_list
```

TIME COMPLEXITY - $O(N)$, SPACE COMPLEXITY - $O(1)$

Question: You are given two non-empty linked lists representing two non-negative integers. The digits are stored in reverse order and each of their nodes contain a single digit. Add the two numbers and return it as a linked list.

YOU HAVE 15 MINUTES

LOOK UP :

Link: <https://leetcode.com/problems/add-two-numbers/>


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1  # Add two numbers in Linked List form
2  class Solution(object):
3      def addTwoNumbers(self, l1, l2):
4          result = ListNode(0)
5          current = result
6          carry = 0
7          while l1 or l2 or carry:
8              val1 = (l1.val if l1 else 0)
9              val2 = (l2.val if l2 else 0)
10             carry, out = divmod(val1 + val2 + carry, 10)
11             current.next = ListNode(out)
12             current = current.next
13
14             l1 = (l1.next if l1 else None)
15             l2 = (l2.next if l2 else None)
16         return result.next
```