

Middle of Linked List

0 1 2 3 4
1 → 2 → 3 → 4 → 5 → None

$$\text{len} = 5$$

$$\text{middle} = \text{len} // 2 = 5 // 2 = 2$$

0 1 2 3 4 5
1 → 2 → 3 → 4 → 5 → 6 → None

$$\text{len} = 6$$

$$\text{middle} = 6 // 2 = 3$$

if empty or a single node LL
return head

→ find length

→ find middle

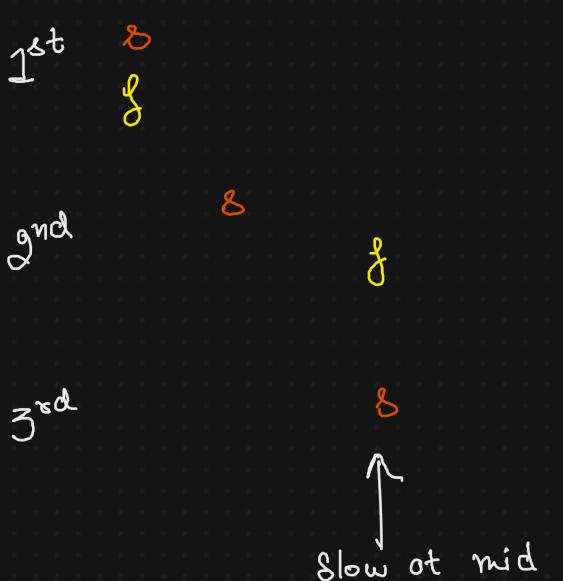
→ temp = head , count = 0

while count < middle

Middle of LinRed list : 2 pointers approach



When the yellow person completes the race,
orange will be at half.

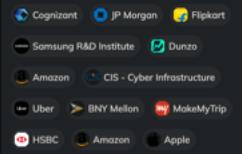


We will move the
fast twice while
slow moves once

head.next.next.

Slow = slow.next
Fast = fast.next.next

Merge two Sorted Linked List

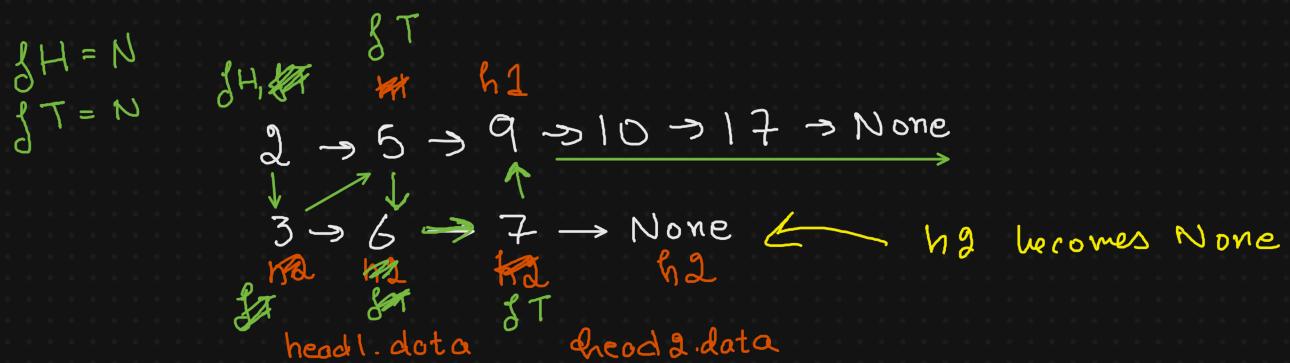


head1 2 → 5 → 9 → 10 → 17 → None

head2 3 → 6 → 7 → None

Final Head 2 → 3 → 5 → 6 → 7 → 9 → 10 → 17 → None

Make sure to handle
None properly



Reverse a Linked list

head → 1 → 2 → 3 → 4 → 5 → None

Ans 5 → 4 → 3 → 2 → 1 → None

Recursion

1. Base Case head == None or head.next == None

2. Recursive call reverse(head.next)

5 → 4 → 3 → 2 → N

3. Our work node 1, we just have to connect 1 at tail

5 → 4 → 3 → 2 → 1 → N

What is the time complexity of our code?

1 → 2 → 3 → 4 → 5 → N

Recursive call $O(n)$

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def reverse_LL(head):
    # Base Case
    print_LL(head)
    if( head == None or head.next == None ):
        return head

    smallLinkedListHead = reverse_LL(head.next)

    temp = smallLinkedListHead
    while(temp.next is not None):
        temp = temp.next

    temp.next = head
    head.next = None

    return smallLinkedListHead
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finding the tail, it is
 $O(n)$

We are doing
major work
in finding tail

1st node $(n-1)R$
2nd $(n-2)R$
3rd $(n-3)R$
⋮

Last

$\overbrace{R}^{O(n^2)}$

1 → 2 → 3 → 4 → 5 → N

1 5 → 4 → 3 → 2 → N

Reversed Linked list (Iteration)

0th $N = 1 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 4 \rightarrow \text{None}$
 $P = C$

1st $N = 1 \leftarrow 2 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 4 \rightarrow \text{None}$
 $P \leftarrow C \leftarrow n$

2nd $N = 1 \leftarrow 2 \leftarrow 3 \rightarrow 4 \rightarrow \text{None}$
 $P \leftarrow C \leftarrow n$

3rd $N = 1 \leftarrow 2 \leftarrow 3 \leftarrow 4 \rightarrow \text{None}$
 $P \leftarrow C \leftarrow n$

4th $N = 1 \leftarrow 2 \leftarrow 3 \leftarrow 4 \leftarrow \text{None}$
 $P \leftarrow C \leftarrow n$

$P = \text{None}$

$n = C.\text{next}$
 $C.\text{next} = P$
 $P = C$
 $C = n$

Very imp.

$N \leftarrow 1 \leftarrow 2 \leftarrow 3 \leftarrow 4 \leftarrow \text{None}$
 $P \leftarrow C$

↓
Final head which I return

$\text{None} \leftarrow 1 \leftarrow 2 \leftarrow 3 \leftarrow 4$

$4 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow \text{None}$