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Singly Linked List Operations

◆ 1. Creating a Node

A singly linked list node contains:

- **data** (value)
- **next** (pointer to next node)

```
struct Node {  
    int data;  
    Node* next;  
};
```

Creating the first node:

```
Node* head = new Node();  
head->data = 10;  
head->next = NULL;
```

◆ 2. Traversal (Printing the List)

👉 Traverse from `head` to `NULL`, printing data.

```
void printList(Node* head) {  
    Node* temp = head;  
    while (temp != NULL) {  
        cout << temp->data << " -> ";  
        temp = temp->next;  
    }  
    cout << "NULL" << endl;  
}
```

◆ 3. Insertion Operations

(a) Insert at Beginning

- Create new node.
- Point its `next` to current head.
- Update head to new node.

```
void insertAtBeginning(Node*& head, int newData) {  
    Node* newNode = new Node();  
    newNode->data = newData;  
    newNode->next = head;  
    head = newNode;  
}
```

(b) Insert at End

- Create new node with `next = NULL`.
- Traverse to last node.
- Update last node's `next` to new node.

```
void insertAtEnd(Node*& head, int newData) {  
    Node* newNode = new Node();  
    newNode->data = newData;  
    newNode->next = NULL;  
  
    if (head == NULL) {  
        head = newNode;  
        return;  
    }  
  
    Node* temp = head;  
    while (temp->next != NULL) {  
        temp = temp->next;  
    }  
    temp->next = newNode;  
}
```

(c) Insert at Given Position

- Traverse to (pos - 1)th node.
- Link new node in between.

```
void insertAtPosition(Node*& head, int newData, int position) {
    Node* newNode = new Node();
    newNode->data = newData;

    if (position == 1) { // insert at beginning
        newNode->next = head;
        head = newNode;
        return;
    }

    Node* temp = head;
    for (int i = 1; i < position - 1 && temp != NULL; i++) {
        temp = temp->next;
    }

    if (temp == NULL) {
        cout << "Position out of range!" << endl;
        delete newNode;
        return;
    }

    newNode->next = temp->next;
    temp->next = newNode;
}
```

◆ 4. Searching

👉 Traverse list, compare each node with **key**.

```
bool search(Node* head, int key) {  
    Node* temp = head;  
    while (temp != NULL) {  
        if (temp->data == key) return true;  
        temp = temp->next;  
    }  
    return false;  
}
```

◆ 5. Deletion Operations

(a) Delete from Beginning

- Move `head` to `head->next`.
- Free old head.

```
void deleteFromBeginning(Node*& head) {  
    if (head == NULL) return;  
    Node* temp = head;  
    head = head->next;  
    delete temp;  
}
```

(b) Delete from End

- Traverse to second-last node.
- Set its `next = NULL`.
- Free last node.

```
void deleteFromEnd(Node*& head) {  
    if (head == NULL) return;  
    if (head->next == NULL) { // only one node  
        delete head;  
        head = NULL;  
        return;  
    }  
  
    Node* temp = head;  
    while (temp->next->next != NULL) {  
        temp = temp->next;  
    }  
    delete temp->next;  
    temp->next = NULL;  
}
```

(c) Delete from Given Position

- Traverse to (pos - 1)th node.
- Skip the target node and free memory.

```
void deleteFromPosition(Node*& head, int position) {
    if (head == NULL) return;

    if (position == 1) {
        Node* temp = head;
        head = head->next;
        delete temp;
        return;
    }

    Node* temp = head;
    for (int i = 1; i < position - 1 && temp->next != NULL; i++) {
        temp = temp->next;
    }

    if (temp->next == NULL) {
        cout << "Position out of range!" << endl;
        return;
    }

    Node* toDelete = temp->next;
    temp->next = toDelete->next;
    delete toDelete;
}
```

Example Usage

```
int main() {
    Node* head = NULL;

    // Insert elements
    insertAtBeginning(head, 30);
    insertAtBeginning(head, 20);
    insertAtEnd(head, 40);
    insertAtPosition(head, 25, 2);

    cout << "Linked List: ";
    printList(head);

    // Search
    cout << (search(head, 25) ? "Found" : "Not Found") << endl;

    // Delete operations
    deleteFromBeginning(head);
    deleteFromEnd(head);
    deleteFromPosition(head, 2);

    cout << "After Deletions: ";
    printList(head);

    return 0;
}
```

Sample Output

```
Linked List: 20 -> 25 -> 30 -> 40 -> NULL
Found
After Deletions: 25 -> NULL
```

Full C++ Code for Singly Linked List Operations

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;

// Node structure
struct Node {
    int data;
    Node* next;
};

// Print the linked list
void printList(Node* head) {
    Node* temp = head;
    while (temp != NULL) {
        cout << temp->data << " -> ";
        temp = temp->next;
    }
    cout << "NULL" << endl;
}

// Insert at beginning
void insertAtBeginning(Node*& head, int newData) {
    Node* newNode = new Node();
    newNode->data = newData;
    newNode->next = head;
    head = newNode;
}

// Insert at end
void insertAtEnd(Node*& head, int newData) {
    Node* newNode = new Node();
    newNode->data = newData;
```

```

newNode->next = NULL;

if (head == NULL) {
    head = newNode;
    return;
}

Node* temp = head;
while (temp->next != NULL) {
    temp = temp->next;
}
temp->next = newNode;
}

// Insert at a given position
void insertAtPosition(Node*& head, int newData, int position) {
    Node* newNode = new Node();
    newNode->data = newData;

    if (position == 1) {
        newNode->next = head;
        head = newNode;
        return;
    }

    Node* temp = head;
    for (int i = 1; i < position - 1 && temp != NULL; i++) {
        temp = temp->next;
    }

    if (temp == NULL) {
        cout << "Position out of range!" << endl;
        delete newNode;
        return;
    }

    newNode->next = temp->next;
    temp->next = newNode;
}

```

```

}

// Search in linked list
bool search(Node* head, int key) {
    Node* temp = head;
    while (temp != NULL) {
        if (temp->data == key) return true;
        temp = temp->next;
    }
    return false;
}

// Delete from beginning
void deleteFromBeginning(Node*& head) {
    if (head == NULL) return;
    Node* temp = head;
    head = head->next;
    delete temp;
}

// Delete from end
void deleteFromEnd(Node*& head) {
    if (head == NULL) return;
    if (head->next == NULL) {
        delete head;
        head = NULL;
        return;
    }

    Node* temp = head;
    while (temp->next->next != NULL) {
        temp = temp->next;
    }
    delete temp->next;
    temp->next = NULL;
}

// Delete from a given position

```

```

void deleteFromPosition(Node*& head, int position) {
    if (head == NULL) return;

    if (position == 1) {
        Node* temp = head;
        head = head->next;
        delete temp;
        return;
    }

    Node* temp = head;
    for (int i = 1; i < position - 1 && temp->next != NULL; i++) {
        temp = temp->next;
    }

    if (temp->next == NULL) {
        cout << "Position out of range!" << endl;
        return;
    }

    Node* toDelete = temp->next;
    temp->next = toDelete->next;
    delete toDelete;
}

int main() {
    Node* head = NULL;

    cout << "Inserting at beginning..." << endl;
    insertAtBeginning(head, 30);
    insertAtBeginning(head, 20);
    insertAtBeginning(head, 10);
    printList(head);

    cout << "\nInserting at end..." << endl;
    insertAtEnd(head, 40);
    insertAtEnd(head, 50);
    printList(head);
}

```

```
    cout << "\nInserting at position 3..." << endl;
    insertAtPosition(head, 25, 3);
    printList(head);

    cout << "\nSearching 25..." << endl;
    cout << (search(head, 25) ? "Found" : "Not Found") << endl;

    cout << "\nDeleting from beginning..." << endl;
    deleteFromBeginning(head);
    printList(head);

    cout << "\nDeleting from end..." << endl;
    deleteFromEnd(head);
    printList(head);

    cout << "\nDeleting from position 2..." << endl;
    deleteFromPosition(head, 2);
    printList(head);

    return 0;
}
```



Sample Output

Inserting at beginning...

10 -> 20 -> 30 -> NULL

Inserting at end...

10 -> 20 -> 30 -> 40 -> 50 -> NULL

Inserting at position 3...

10 -> 20 -> 25 -> 30 -> 40 -> 50 -> NULL

Searching 25...

Found

Deleting from beginning...

20 -> 25 -> 30 -> 40 -> 50 -> NULL

Deleting from end...

20 -> 25 -> 30 -> 40 -> NULL

Deleting from position 2...

20 -> 30 -> 40 -> NULL



Summary of Operations

Operation	Time Complexity	Space
Insert at Beginning	$O(1)$	$O(1)$
Insert at End	$O(n)$	$O(1)$
Insert at Position	$O(n)$	$O(1)$
Search	$O(n)$	$O(1)$
Delete from Beginning	$O(1)$	$O(1)$
Delete from End	$O(n)$	$O(1)$
Delete from Position	$O(n)$	$O(1)$
