Linked List – first introduction

- Meaning of a Linked List
- Meaning of a Dynamic Linked List
- Traversal, Insertion and Deletion of Elements in a Dynamic Linked List
- Specification of a Dynamic Linked Sorted List
- Insertion and Deletion of Elements in a Dynamic Linked Sorted List

Linked List – first introduction (Continued)

- Meaning of an Inaccessible Object
- Meaning of a Dangling Pointer
- Use of a Class Destructor
- Shallow Copy vs. Deep Copy of Class Objects
- Use of a Copy Constructor

What is a List?

- A list is a varying-length, linear collection of homogeneous elements
- Linear means:
- Each list element (except the first) has a unique predecessor, and
- Each element (except the last) has a unique successor

To implement the List ADT

The programmer must:

- 1) choose a concrete data representation for the list, and
- 2) implement the list operations

Recall: 4 Basic Kinds of ADT Operations

- Constructors -- create a new instance (object) of an ADT
- Transformers -- change the state of one or more of the data values of an instance

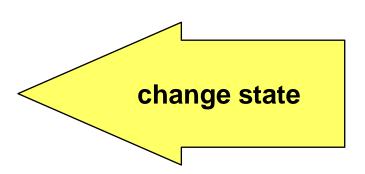
Recall: 4 Basic Kinds of ADT Operations

- Observers -- allow client to observe the state of one or more of the data values of an instance without changing them
- Iterators -- allow client to access the data values in sequence

List Operations

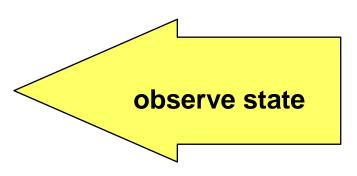
Transformers

- Insert
- Delete
- Sort



Observers

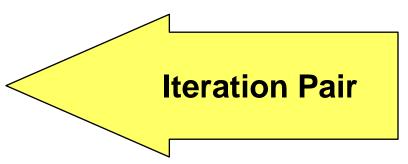
- IsEmpty
- IsFull
- Length
- IsPresent



ADT List Operations

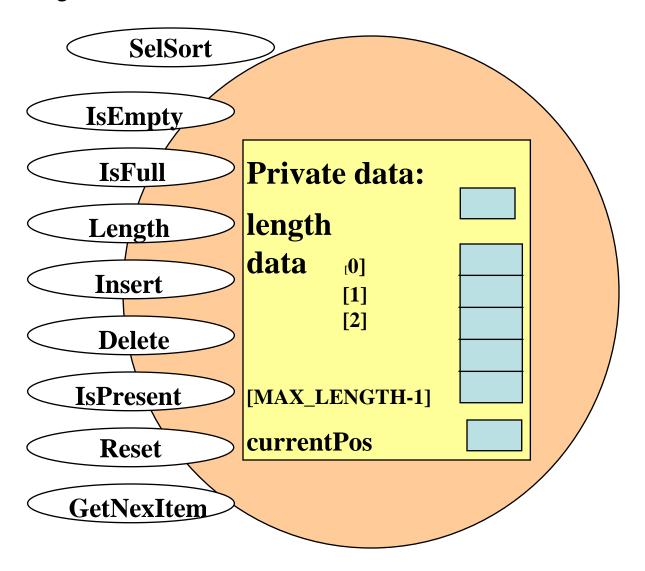
Iterator

- Reset
- GetNextItem



- Reset prepares for the iteration
- GetNextItem returns the next item in sequence
- No transformer can be called between calls to GetNextItem (Why?)

Array-based class List

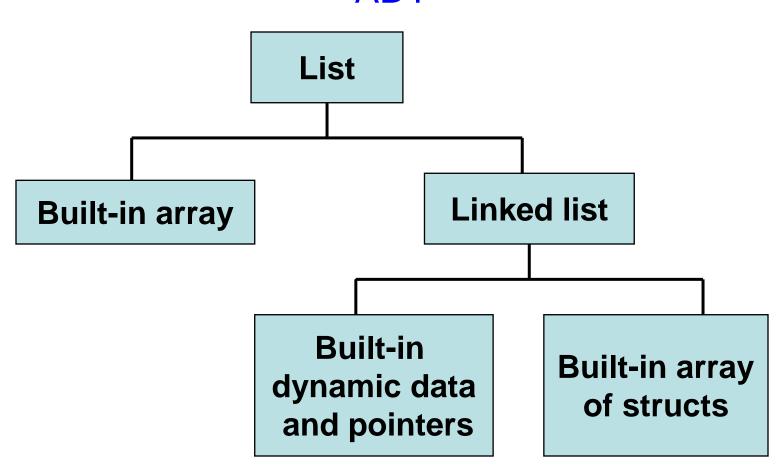


```
// Specification file array-based list ("list.h")
const int MAX_LENGTH = 50;
typedef int ItemType;
class List // Declares a class data type
public: // Public member functions
     List();
                          // constructor
     bool isEmpty() const;
bool IsFull () const;
int Length () const; //Returns length of list
void Insert (ItemType item);
     void Delete (ItemType item);
bool IsPresent(ItemType item) const;
void SelSort();
     void Reset ();
     ItemType GetNextItem ();
private:
                     // Private data members
     int length; // Number of values currently stored
     ItemType data[MAX_LENGTH];
     int CurrentPos; // Used in iteration
```

Implementation Structures

- Use a built-in array stored in contiguous memory locations, implementing operations Insert and Delete by moving list items around in the array, as needed
- Use a linked list in which items are not necessarily stored in contiguous memory locations
- A linked list avoids excessive data movement from insertions and deletions

Implementation Possibilities for a List ADT

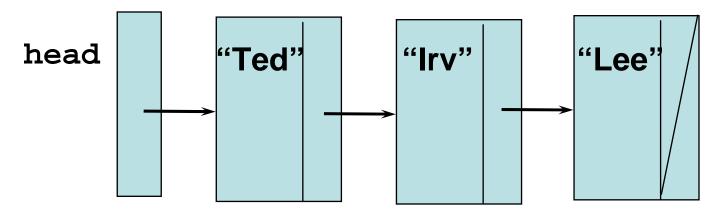


A Linked List

- A linked list is a list in which the order of the components is determined by an explicit link member in each node
- Each node is a struct containing a data member and a link member that gives the location of the next node in the list

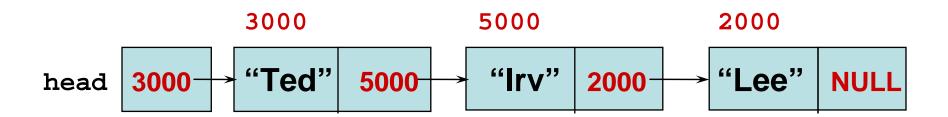
Dynamic Linked List

 A dynamic linked list is one in which the nodes are linked together by pointers and an external pointer (or head pointer) points to the first node in the list



Nodes can be located anywhere in memory

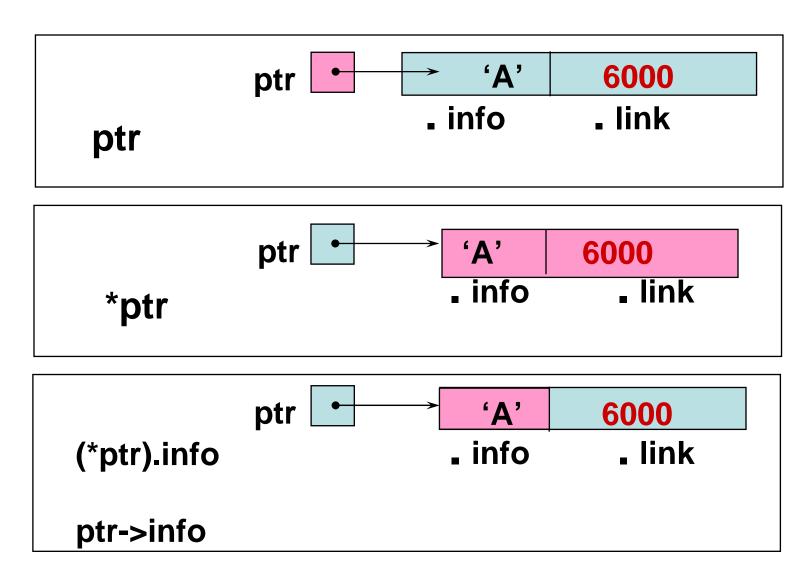
 The link member holds the memory address of the next node in the list



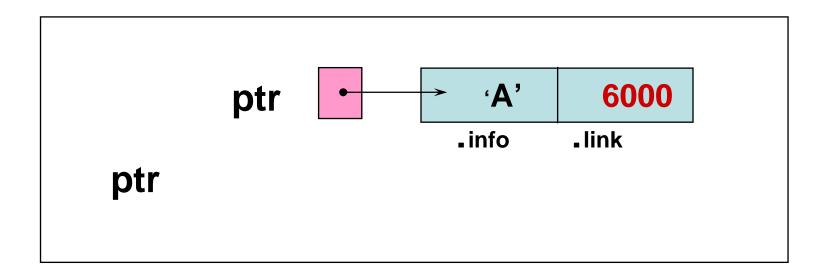
Declarations for a Dynamic Linked List

```
// Type declarations
struct NodeType
    char info;
    NodeType* link;
typedef NodeType* NodePtr;
// Variable DECLARATIONS
NodePtr head;
                          'A'
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NodePtr ptr;
                                  . link
                        _info
```

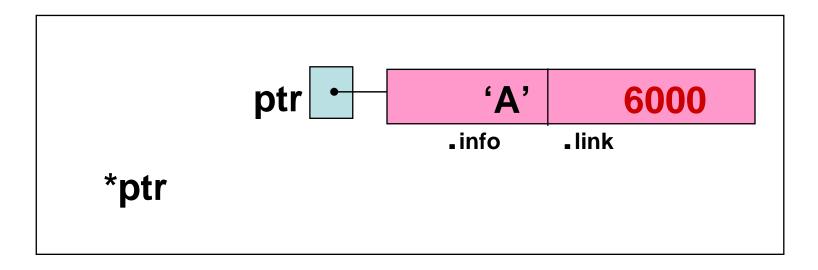
Pointer Dereferencing and Member Selection



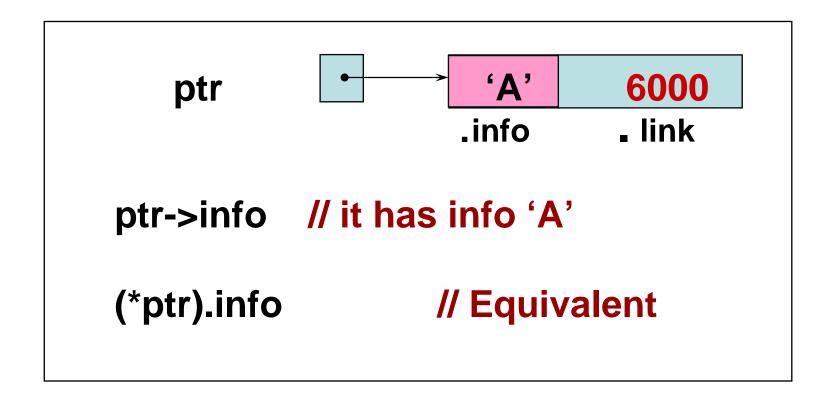
ptr is a pointer to a node



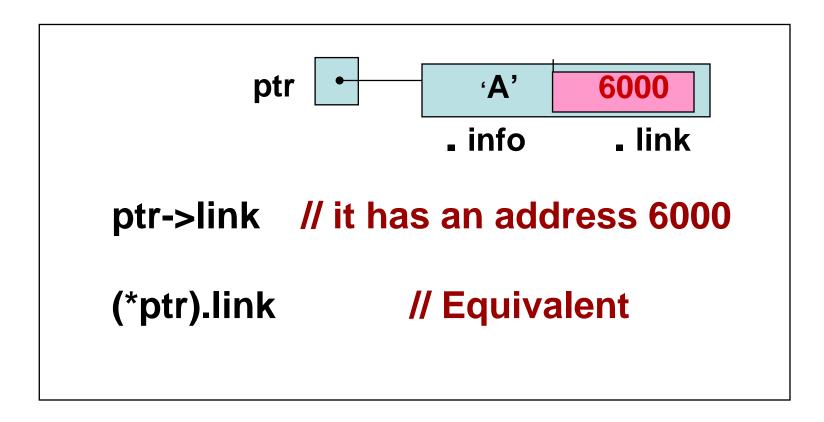
*ptr is the entire node pointed to by ptr



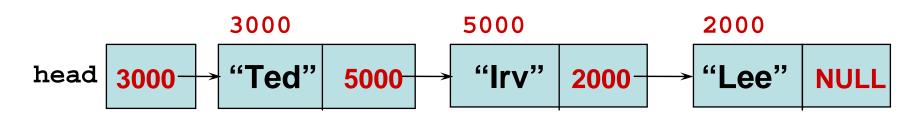
ptr->info is a node member



ptr->link is a node member



ptr



```
// Pre: head points to a dynamic linked list
ptr = head;
while (ptr != NULL)
{
   cout << ptr->info;
   // Or, do something else with node *ptr
   ptr = ptr->link;
}
```

```
ptr 3000

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head 3000 "Ted" 5000 "Irv" 2000 "Lee" NULL
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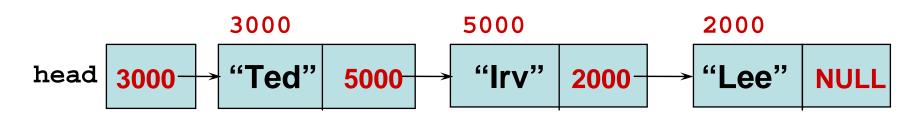
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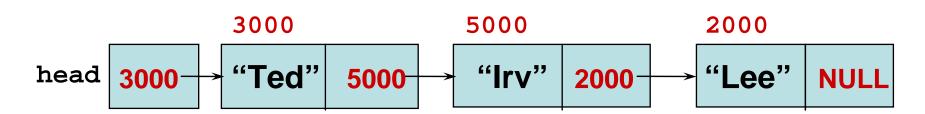
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Using Operator new

Recall

- If memory is available in the free store (or heap), operator new allocates the requested object, and
- it returns a pointer to the memory allocated
- The dynamically allocated object exists until the delete operator destroys it

item

B'

Inserting a Node at the Front of a List

```
char item = 'B';

NodePtr location;

location = new NodeType;

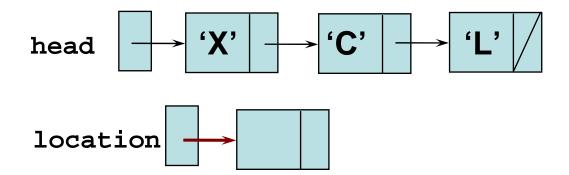
location->info = item;

location->link = head;
head = location;
```

Inserting a Node at the Front of a List

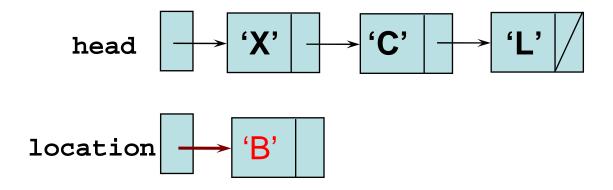
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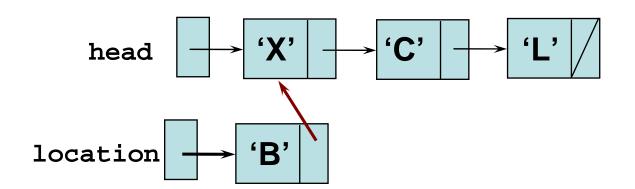


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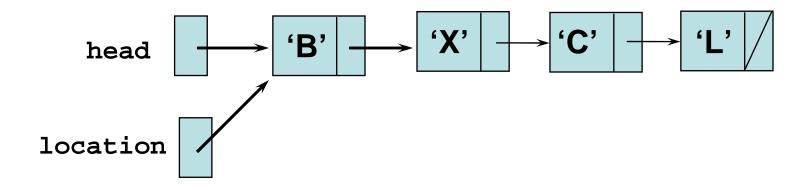


```
item
     char
               item = 'B';
     NodePtr location;
     location = new NodeType;
     location->info = item;
     location->link = head;
     head = location;
                     'X'
          head
      location
```

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item 'B'
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char item = 'B';

NodePtr location;
location = new NodeType;
location->info = item;
location->link = head;
head = location;
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Using Operator delete

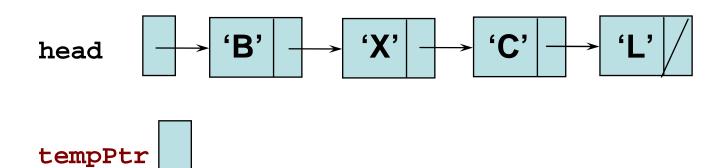
When you use the operator delete:

- The object currently pointed to by the pointer is deallocated and the pointer is considered undefined
- The object's memory is returned to the free store

Deleting the First Node from the List

NodePtr tempPtr;

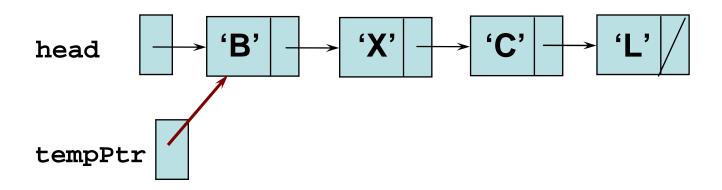
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item = head->info;
tempPtr = head;
head = head->link;
delete tempPtr;
```



Deleting the First Node from the List

NodeType * tempPtr;

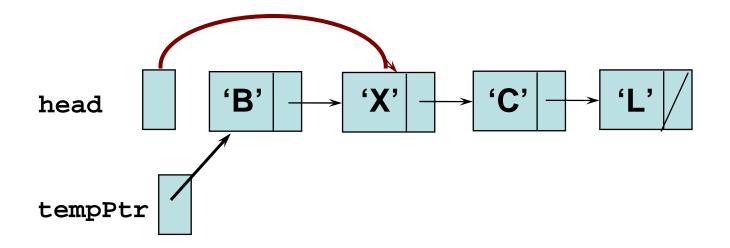
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tempPtr = head;
head = head->link;
delete tempPtr;
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Deleting the First Node from the List

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NodeType * tempPtr;

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tempPtr = head;
head = head->link;
delete tempPtr;
```



Deleting the First Node from the List

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NodeType *
            tempPtr;
item = head->info;
tempPtr = head;
head = head->link;
delete tempPtr;
head
tempPtr
```

What is a Sorted List?

A sorted list is:

- a variable-length, linear collection of homogeneous elements,
- ordered according to the value of one or more data members
- The transformer operations must maintain the ordering

What is a Sorted List?

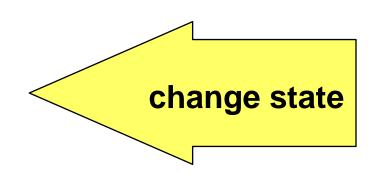
In addition to Insert and Delete, let's add two new operations to our list:

InsertAsFirst and RemoveFirst

ADT HybridList Operations

Transformers

- InsertAsFirst
- Insert
- RemoveFirst
- Delete



Same observers and iterators as ADT List

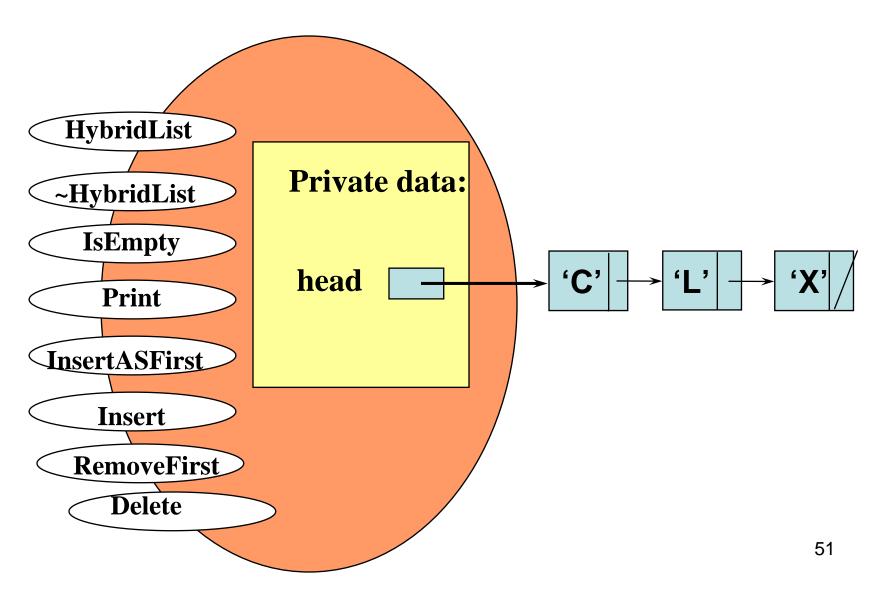
Since we have two insertion and two deletion operations, let's call this a Hybrid List

struct NodeType

```
// Specification file sorted list ("slist2.h")
typedef int ItemType; // Type of each component is
                          // a simple type or a string
struct NodeType
    ItemType item;  // Pointer to person's name
    NodeType* link; // Link to next node in list
};
typedef NodeType* NodePtr;
```

```
// Specification file hybrid sorted list("slist2.h")
class HybridList
public:
 bool IsEmpty () const;
 void InsertAsFirst(/* in */ ItemType item);
   void Insert (/* in */ ItemType item);
   void RemoveFirst(/* out */ ItemType& item);
   void Delete (/* in */ ItemType item);
   void Print () const;
  HybridList (); // Constructor
    ~HybridList (); // Destructor
   HybridList (const HybridList& otherList);
                    // Copy-constructor
private:
   NodeType* head;
};
```

class HybridList



Insert Algorithm

 What will be the algorithm to Insert an item into its proper place in a sorted linked list?

 That is, for a linked list whose elements are maintained in ascending order?

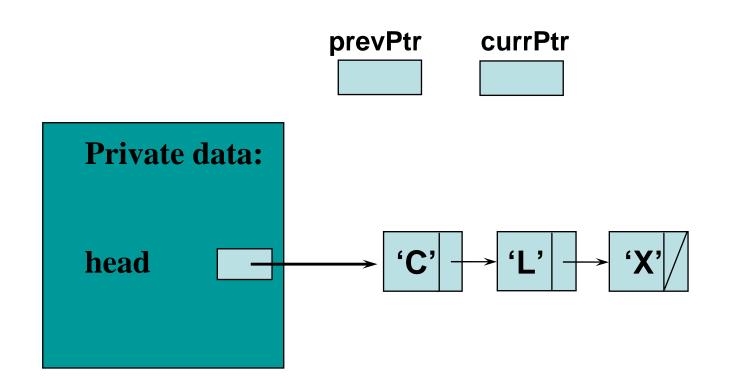
Insert algorithm for HybridList

- Find proper position for the new element in the sorted list using two pointers prevPtr and currPtr, where prevPtr trails behind currPtr
- Obtain a new node and place item in it
- Insert the new node by adjusting pointers

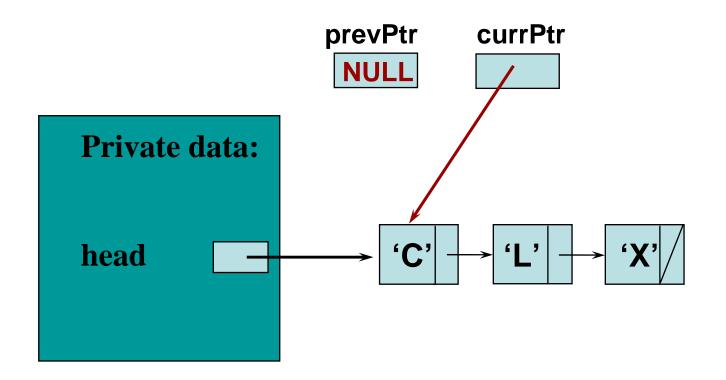
Implementing HybridList Member Function Insert

```
// Dynamic linked list implementation ("slist2.cpp")
void HybridList::Insert (/* in */ ItemType item)
// PRE:
     item is assigned && components in ascending order
// POST:
// item is in List && components in ascending order
```

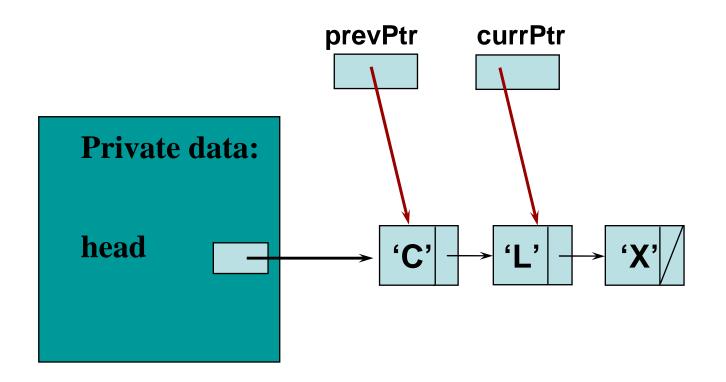
Inserting 'S' into a List



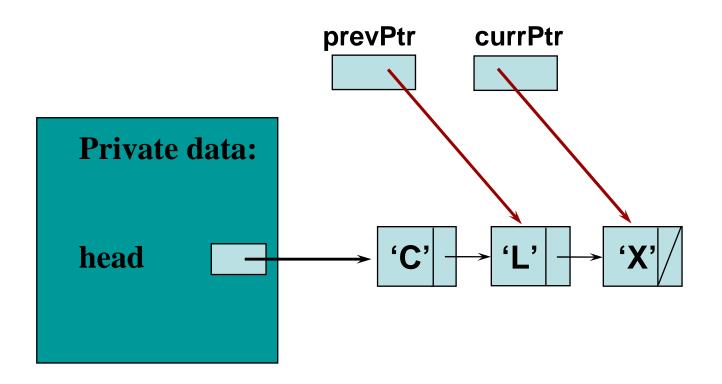
Finding Proper Position for 'S'



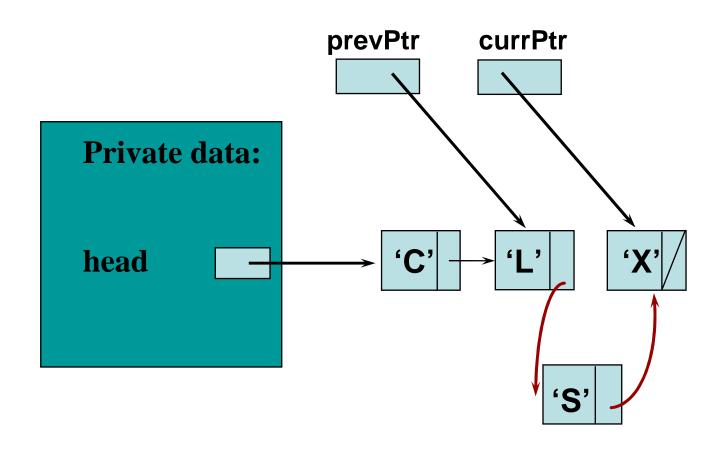
Finding Proper Position for 'S'



Finding Proper Position for 'S'



Inserting 'S' into Proper Position



```
// Implementation file for HybridList ("slist.cpp")
HybridList::HybridList () // Constructor
// Post: head == NULL
   head = NULL;
HybridList::~HybridList () // Destructor
// Post: All linked nodes deallocated
    ItemType temp;
    // Keep deleting top node
    while (!IsEmpty)
        RemoveFirst (temp);
```

```
void HybridList::Insert(/* in */ ItemType item)
// Pre: item is assigned && components in ascending order
// Post: new node containing item is in its proper place
       && components in ascending order
//
   NodePtr currPtr;
   NodePtr prevPtr;
   NodePtr location;
    location = new NodeType;
   newNodePtr->link = item;
   prevPtr = NULL;
   currPtr = head;
   while (currPtr != NULL && item > currPtr->info){
       prevPtr = currPtr;  // Advance both pointers
       currPtr = currPtr->link;
   location->link = currPtr;// Insert new node here
   if (prevPtr == NULL)
       head = location;
   else
       prevPtr->link = location;
```

```
void HybridList::InsertAsFirst(/*in*/ ItemType item)
//Pre: item is assigned && components in ascending order
//Post: New node containing item is the first item in the list
// && components in ascending order
{
    NodePtr newNodePtr = new NodeType;

    newNodePtr -> component = item;
    newNodePtr -> link = head;
    head = newNodePtr;
}
```

```
Void HybridList::Print() const

// Post: All values within nodes have been printed
{
    NodePtr currPtr = head; //Loop control pointer
    while (currPtr != NULL)
    {
        cout << currPtr->component << endl;
        currPtr = currPtr->link;
    }
}
```

```
void HybridList::RemoveFirst (/*out*/ ItemType& item)
// Pre: list is not empty && components in ascending
// order
// Post: item == element of first list node @ entry
// && node containing item is no longer in list
// && list components in ascending order
{
   NodePtr tempPtr = head;

   // Obtain item and advance head
   item = head->info;
   head = head->link;
   delete tempPtr;
}
```

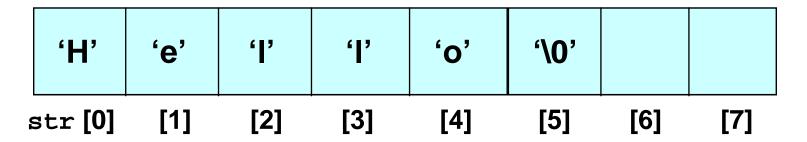
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void HybridList::Delete (/*in*/ ItemType item)
// Pre: list is not empty && components in ascending order
// && item == component member of some list node
// Post: item == element of first list node @ entry
      && node containing first occurrence of item no longer
      in list && components in ascending order
    NodePtr delPtr;
    NodePtr currPtr; // Is item in first node?
    if (item == head->info)
    { // If so, delete first node
        delPtr = head;
        head = head->link;
    else {// Search for item in rest of list
        currPtr = head;
        while (currPtr->link->info != item)
            currPtr = currPtr->link;
        delPtr = currPtr->link;
        currPtr->link = currPtr->link->link;
    delete delPtr;
```

Recall that . . .

char str[8];

str is the base address of the array. We say str is a pointer because its value is an address. It is a pointer constant because the value of str itself cannot be changed by assignment. It "points" to the memory location of a char.

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Addresses in Memory

• When a variable is declared, enough memory to hold a value of that type is allocated for it at an unused memory location. This is the address of the variable

```
int x;
float number;
char ch;

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x number ch
```

Obtaining Memory Addresses

 the address of a non-array variable can be obtained by using the address-of operator &

```
int x;
float number;
char ch;

cout << "Address of x is " << &x << endl;

cout << "Address of number is " << &number << endl;

cout << "Address of ch is " << &ch << endl;</pre>
```

What is a pointer variable?

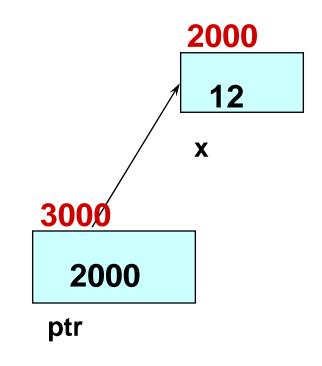
- A pointer variable is a variable whose value is the address of a location in memory
- To declare a pointer variable, you specify the type of value that the pointer will point to, for example:

```
int* ptr; // ptr will hold the address of an int
char* q; // q will hold the address of a char
```

Using a Pointer Variable

```
int x;
x = 12;

int* ptr;
ptr = &x;
```



NOTE: Because ptr holds the address of x, we say that ptr "points to" x

Unary operator * is the indirection (deference) operator

```
int x;
x = 12;

int* ptr;
ptr = &x;

cout << *ptr;</pre>
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x
```

NOTE: The value pointed to by ptr is denoted by *ptr

Using the Dereference Operator

```
int x;
x = 12;
int* ptr;
ptr = &x;

*ptr = 5;
// Changes the value
// at address ptr to 5
```

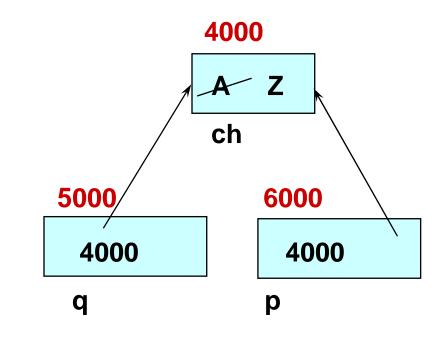
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Another Example

```
char ch;
ch = 'A';

char* q;
q = &ch;

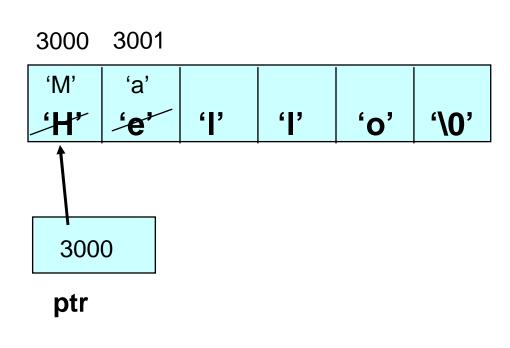
*q = 'Z';
char* p;
p = q;
```



```
// The rhs has value 4000
// Now p and q both point to ch
```

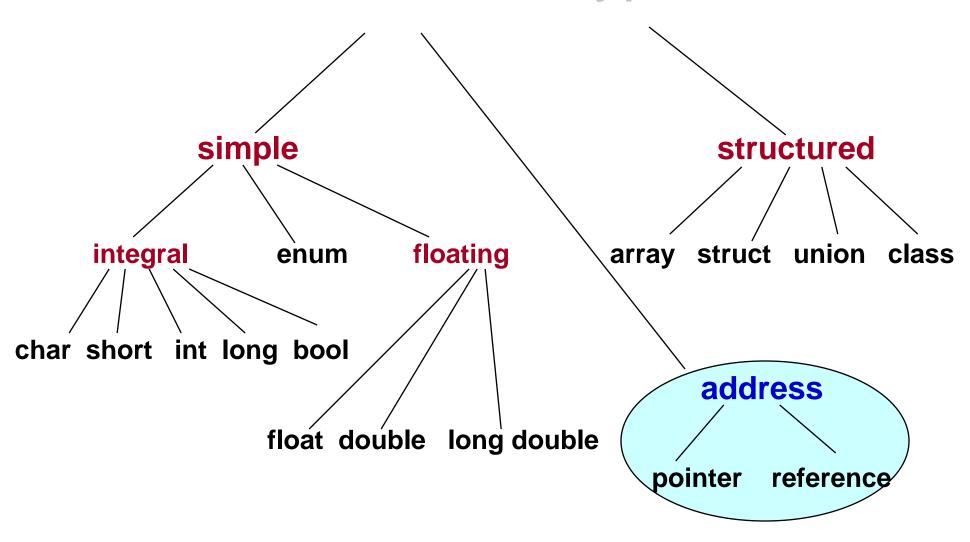
Using a Pointer to Access the Elements of a String

```
char msg[ ]="Hello";
char* ptr;
ptr =
      msg;
// Recall that msg ==
// &msg[ 0 ]
*ptr = M';
ptr++;
// Increments the address
*ptr = 'a';
// in ptr
```



```
int StringLength (/* in */ const char str])
// Precondition: str is a null-terminated string
// Postcondition: Return value == length of str
// (not counting '\0')
    char* p;
    int count = 0;
   p = str;
   while (*p != '\0')
        count++;
       p++;
        // Increments the address p by sizeof char
    return count;
```

C++ Data Types



Some C++ Pointer Operations

Precedence

Higher		->	Select member of class pointed to
	Unary:	++ Increment, Decre	! * new delete ment, NOT, Dereference, Allocate, Deallocate
	Binary:	+ -	Add Subtract
		< <= > >	- Relational operators
		== !=	Tests for equality, inequality
Lower			Assignment

Operator new Syntax

new DataType

new DataType [IntExpression]

If memory is available in an area called the heap (or free store), new allocates space for the requested object or array and returns a pointer to (address of) the memory allocated

Operator new Syntax, cont...

new DataType

new DataType [IntExpression]

Otherwise, program terminates with error message

The dynamically allocated object exists until the delete operator destroys it

The **NULL** Pointer

NULL is a pointer constant 0, defined in header file cstddef, that means that the pointer points to nothing

It is an error to dereference a pointer whose value is NULL

Such an error may cause your program to crash, or behave erratically

```
while (ptr != NULL)
{
    . . . // Ok to use *ptr here
}
```

Three Kinds of Program Data

Static data: memory allocation exists throughout execution of program

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- Automatic data: automatically created at function entry, resides in activation frame of the function, and is destroyed when returning from function
- Dynamic data: explicitly allocated and deallocated during program execution by C++ instructions written by programmer using operators new and delete

Allocation of Memory

STATIC ALLOCATION

Static allocation is the allocation of memory space at compile time

DYNAMIC ALLOCATION

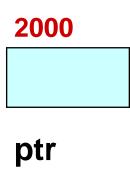
Dynamic allocation is the allocation of memory space at run time by using operator new

```
char* ptr;

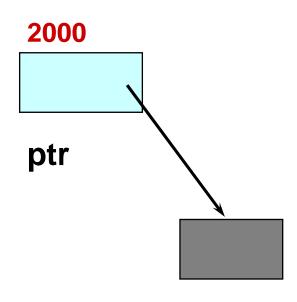
ptr = new char;

*ptr = 'B';

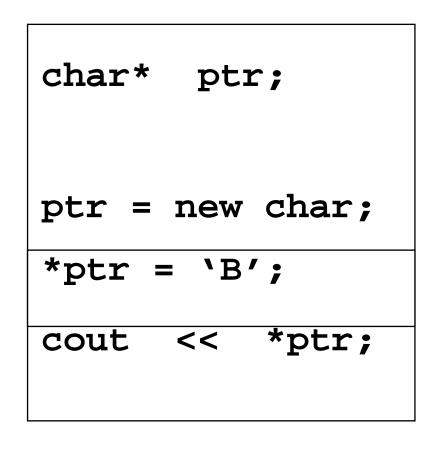
cout << *ptr;</pre>
```

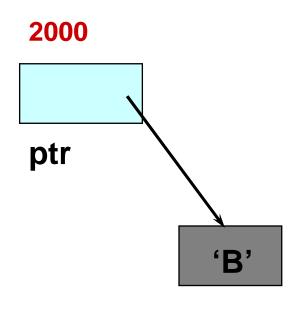


```
char* ptr;
ptr = new char;
*ptr = 'B';
cout << *ptr;</pre>
```



NOTE: Dynamic data has no variable name





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```
char* ptr;
ptr = new char;
*ptr = 'B';
cout << *ptr;
delete ptr;
```

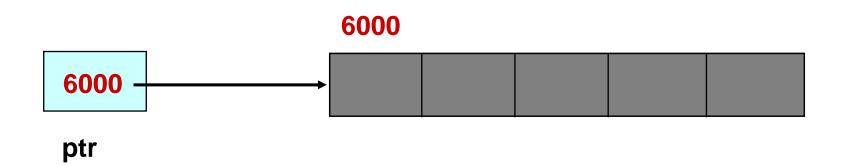
```
2000
?
ptr
NOTE: delet
```

NOTE: delete
deallocates
the memory
pointed to
by ptr

Using Operator delete

- Operator delete returns memory to the free store, which was previously allocated at run-time by operator new
- The object or array currently pointed to by the pointer is de-allocated, and the pointer is considered unassigned

Dynamic Array Allocation



Dynamic Array Allocation

```
char *ptr;

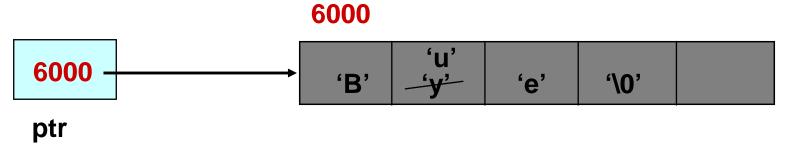
ptr = new char[ 5 ];

strcpy(ptr, "Bye");

ptr[ 1 ] = 'u';

// A pointer can be subscripted

cout << ptr[ 2];</pre>
```



Operator delete Syntax

delete Pointer

delete [] Pointer

If the value of the pointer is NULL there is no effect.

Otherwise, the object or array currently pointed to by Pointer is de-allocated, and the value of Pointer is undefined.

The memory is returned to the free store Square brackets are used with delete to de-allocate a dynamically allocated array.

Dynamic Array Deallocation

```
char *ptr;
ptr = new char[ 5 ];
strcpy(ptr, "Bye");
ptr[ 1 ] = \u';
delete ptr;
// Deallocates array pointed to by ptr
// ptr itself is not deallocated
// The value of ptr is undefined
 ptr
```

What happens here?

```
int* ptr = new int;
  *ptr = 3;

ptr

ptr = new int;

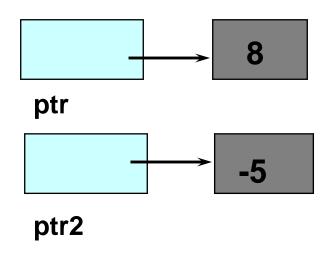
//Changes value of ptr
  *ptr = 4
3
ptr

4
```

Inaccessible Object

An inaccessible object is an unnamed object created by operator new that a programmer has left without a pointer to it.

```
int* ptr = new int;
*ptr = 8;
int* ptr2 = new int;
*ptr2 = -5;
```

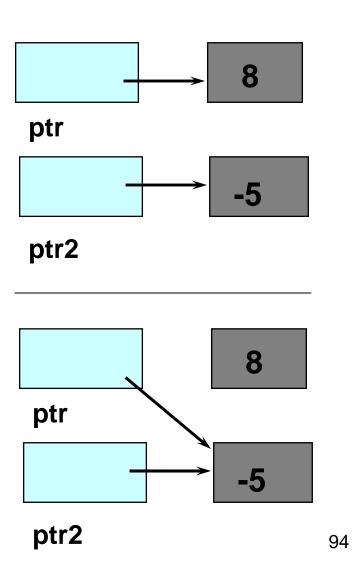


How else can an object become inaccessible?

Making an Object Inaccessible

```
int* ptr = new int;
*ptr = 8;
int* ptr2 = new int;
*ptr2 = -5;

ptr = ptr2;
//Here the 8 becomes
// inaccessible
```



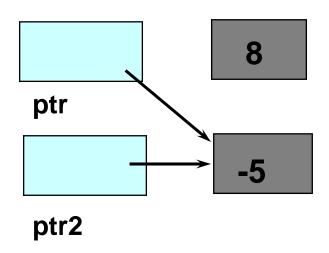
Memory Leak

A memory leak is the loss of available memory space that occurs when dynamic data is allocated but never de-allocated

A Dangling Pointer

 A dangling pointer is a pointer that points to dynamic memory that has been de-allocated

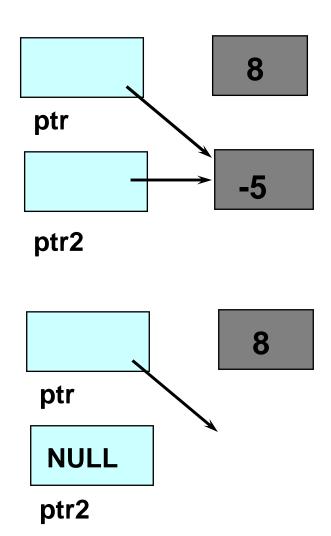
```
int* ptr = new int;
 *ptr = 8;
 int* ptr2 = new int;
 *ptr2 = -5;
 ptr = ptr2;
```



For example,

Leaving a Dangling Pointer

```
int* ptr = new int;
*ptr = 8;
int* ptr2 = new int;
*ptr2 = -5;
ptr = ptr2;
delete ptr2;
//ptr is left dangling
ptr2 = NULL;
```

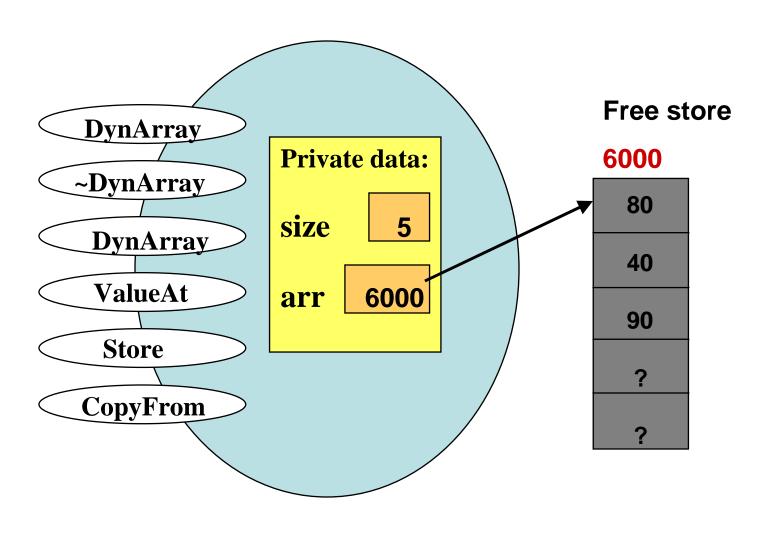


```
// Specification file ("dynarray.h")
// Safe integer array class allows run-time specification
// of size, prevents indexes from going out of bounds,
// allows aggregate array copying and initialization
// Specification file continued
class DynArray
public:
    DynArray(/* in */ int arrSize);
        // Constructor
      // PRE: arrSize is assigned
      // POST: IF arrSize >= 1 && enough memory
      // THEN
      // Array of size arrSize is created with
      // all elements == 0 ELSE error message
```

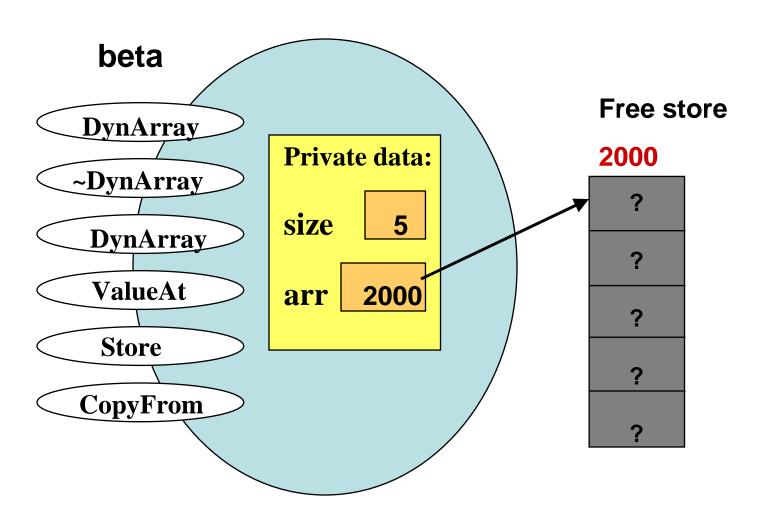
```
DynArray(const DynArray& otherArr);
 // Copy constructor
 // POST: this DynArray is a deep copy of otherArr
 // Is implicitly called for initialization
// Specification file continued
~DynArray();
 // Destructor
 // POST: Memory for dynamic array deallocated
int ValueAt (/* in */ int i) const;
 // PRE: i is assigned
 // POST:
 // IF 0 <= i < size of this array THEN</pre>
 // FCTVAL == value of array element at index i
 // ELSE error message
```

```
// Specification file continued
  void Store (/* in */ int val, /* in */ int i);
     // PRE: val and i are assigned
     // POST: IF 0 <= i < size of this array THEN</pre>
     // val is stored in array element i
     //
         ELSE error message
   void CopyFrom (/* in */ DynArray otherArr);
     // POST: IF enough memory THEN
                    new array created (as deep copy)
      //
                    with size and contents
      //
                    same as otherArr
      //
     //
           ELSE error message.
private:
    int* arr;
    int size;
};
```

class DynArray

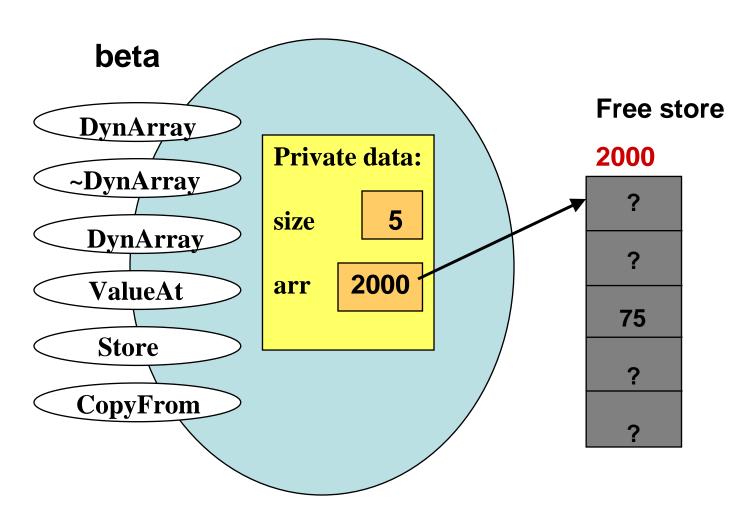


DynArray beta(5); //constructor



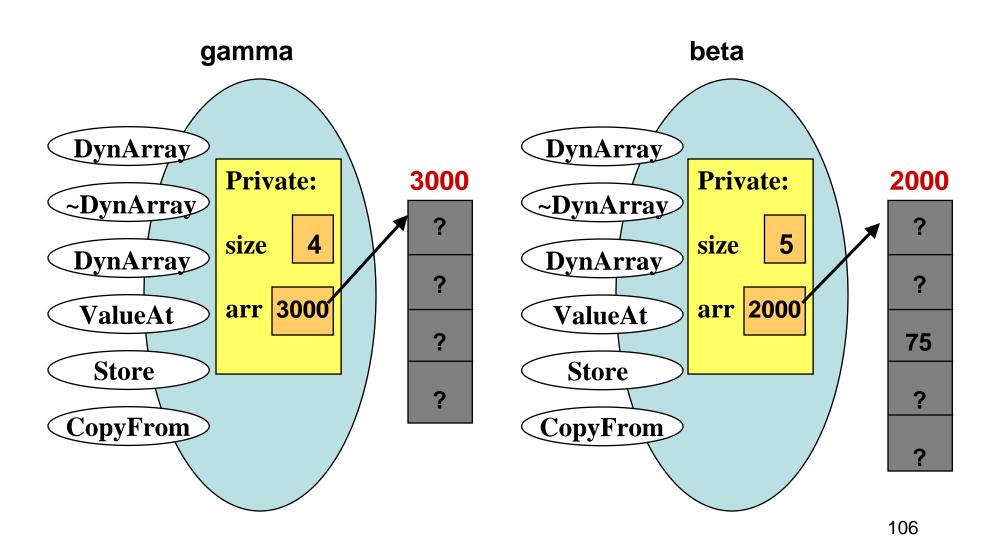
```
DynArray(/* in */ int arrSize)
      // Constructor
      // PRE: arrSize is assigned
      // POST: IF arrSize >= 1 && enough memory THEN
      // Array of size arrSize is created with
      // all elements == 0 ELSE error message
    int i;
    if (arrSize < 1){</pre>
      cerr << "DynArray constructor - invalid size:"</pre>
             << arrSize << endl;
        exit(1);
    arr = new int[arrSize];  // Allocate memory
    size = arrSize;
    for (i = 0; i < size; i++)
        arr[i] = 0;
```

beta.Store(75, 2);

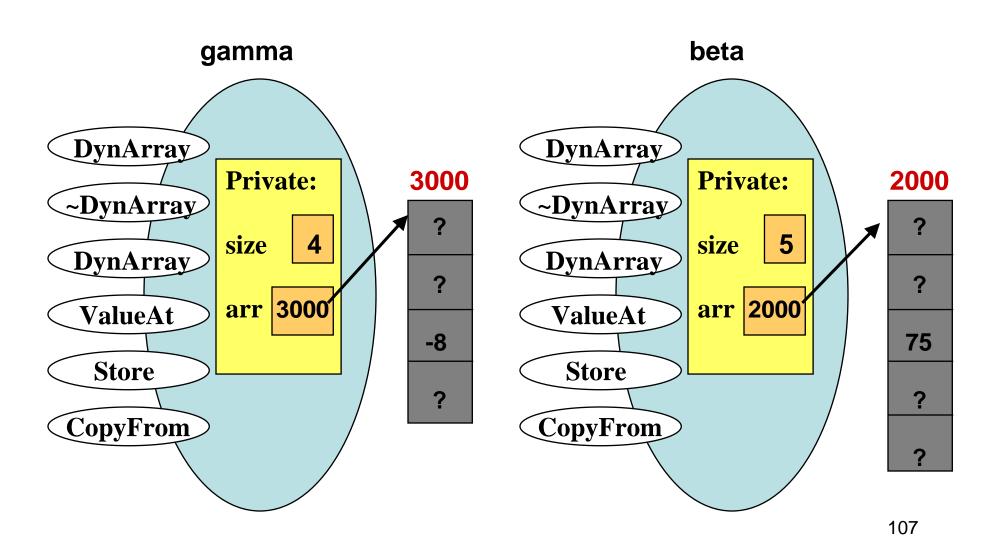


```
void DynArray::Store (/*in*/ int val, /*in*/ int i)
      // PRE: val and i are assigned
      // POST: IF 0 <= i < size of this array THEN</pre>
      // arr[i] == val
      // ELSE error message
    if (i < 0 || i >= size)
     cerr << "Store - invalid index : " << i << endl;</pre>
     exit(1);
  arr[i] = val;
```

DynArray gamma(4);//Constructor



gamma.Store(-8,2);



```
int DynArray::ValueAt (/* in */ int i) const
      // PRE: i is assigned
      // POST: IF 0 <= i < size THEN</pre>
           Return value == arr[i]
      //
      //
           ELSE halt with error message
    if (i < 0 || i >= size)
        cerr << "ValueAt - invalid index : " << i</pre>
           << endl;
        exit(1);
   return arr[i];
```

Why is a destructor needed?

When a DynArray class variable goes out of scope, the memory space for data members size and pointer arr is deallocated

But the dynamic array that arr points to is not automatically deallocated

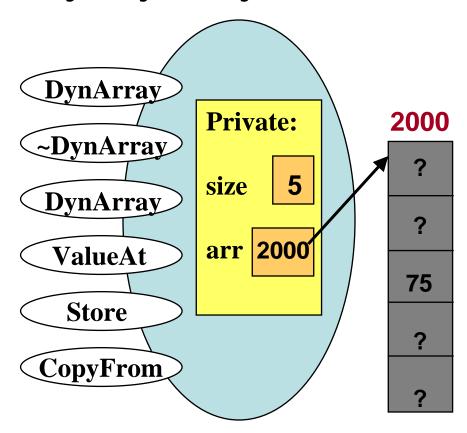
A class destructor is used to deallocate the dynamic memory pointed to by the data member

class DynArray Destructor

```
DynArray::~DynArray();
  // Destructor
  // POST: Memory for dynamic array
  deallocated
  {
    delete [ ] arr;
  }
```

What happens . . .

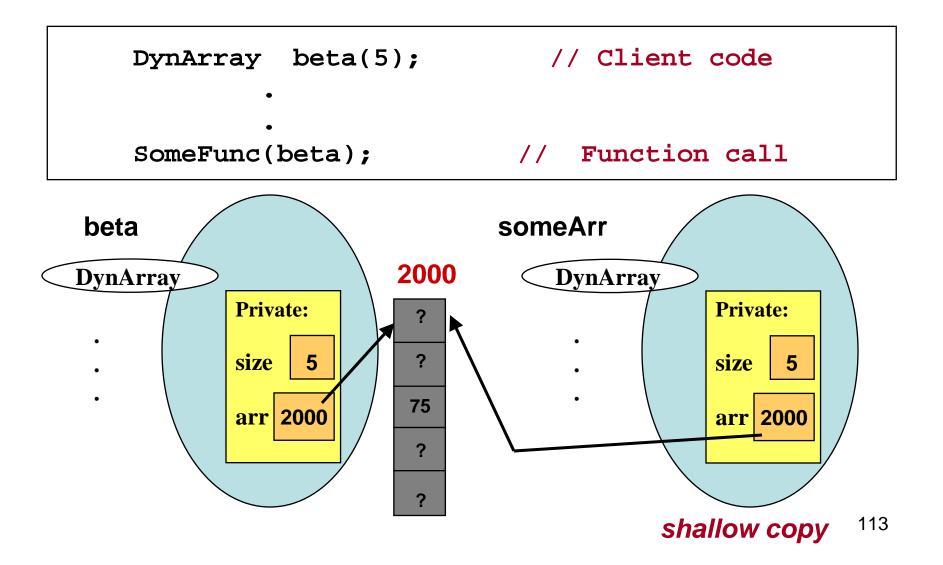
 When a function is called that passes a DynArray object by value, what happens?



Passing a Class Object by Value

```
// Function code
void SomeFunc(DynArray someArr)
// Uses pass by value
```

By default, Pass-by-value makes a shallow copy



Shallow Copy vs. Deep Copy

 A shallow copy copies only the class data members, and does not make a copy of any pointed-to data

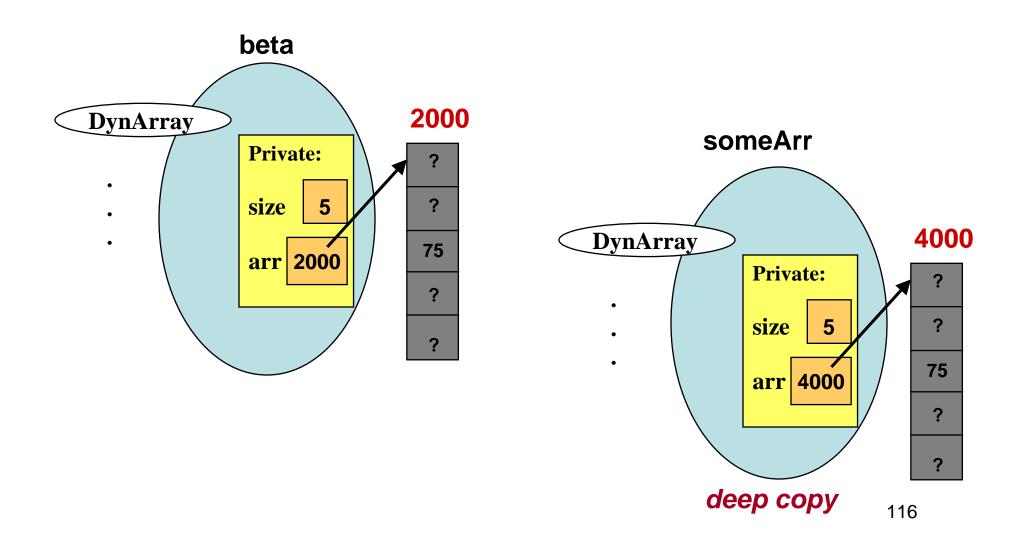
 A deep copy copies not only the class data members, but also makes a separate stored copy of any pointed-to data

What's the difference?

 A shallow copy shares the pointed to dynamic data with the original class object

 A deep copy makes its own copy of the pointed to dynamic data at different locations than the original class object

Making a (Separate) Deep Copy



Initialization of Class Objects

- C++ defines initialization to mean
 - initialization in a variable declaration
 - passing an object argument by value
 - returning an object as the return value of a function
- By default, C++ uses shallow copies for these initializations

As a result . . .

 When a class has a data member that points to dynamically allocated data, you must write what is called a copy constructor

 The copy constructor is implicitly called in initialization situations and makes a deep copy of the dynamic data in a different memory location

Copy Constructor

Most difficult algorithm so far:

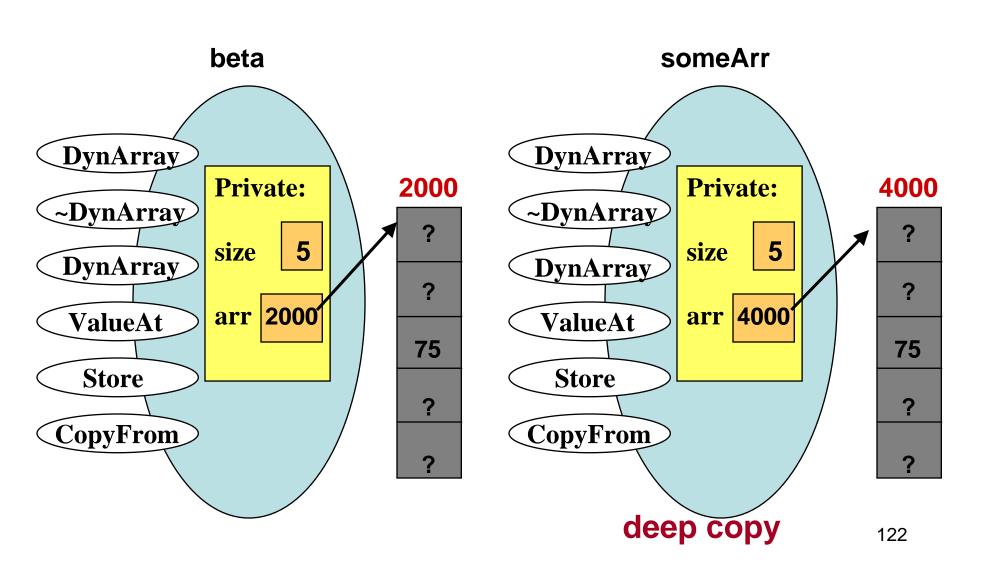
- If the original is empty, the copy is empty
- Otherwise, make a copy of the head with pointer to it
- Loop through original, copying each node and adding it to the copy until you reach the end

Copy Constructor

- Copy constructor is a special member function of a class that is implicitly called in these three situations:
 - Passing object parameters by value
 - Initializing an object variable in its declaration
 - Returning an object as the return value of a function

More about Copy Constructors

- When you provide (write) a copy constructor for a class, the copy constructor is used to make copies for pass by value
- You do not explicitly call the copy constructor
- Like other constructors, it has no return type
- Because the copy constructor properly defines pass by value for your class, it must use pass by reference in its definition



Suppose **SomeFunc** calls Store

```
void SomeFunc(DynArray someArr)
// Uses pass by value
   someArr.Store(290, 2);
```

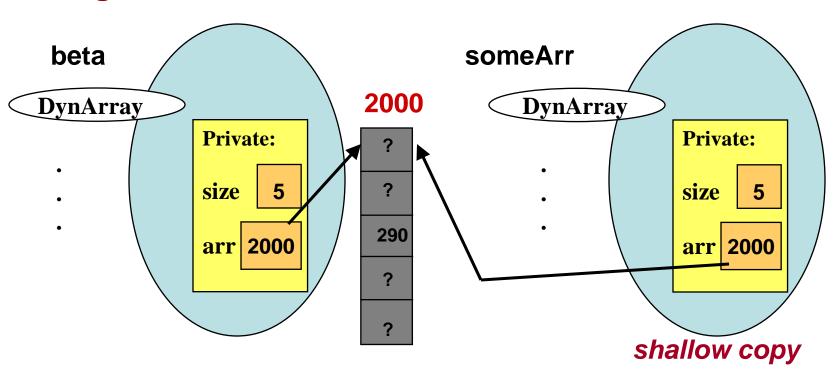
What happens in the shallow copy scenario?

beta.arr[2] has changed

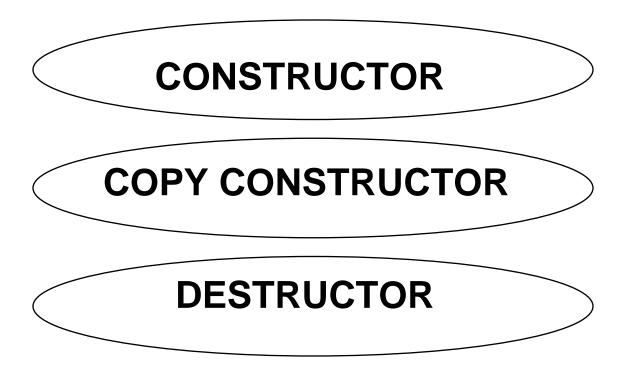
DynArray beta(5); // Client code SomeFunc(beta); beta someArr 2000 **DynArray** DynArray **Private: Private:** size size 290 arr 2000 arr 2000 shallow copy 124

beta.arr[2] has changed

Although beta is passed by value, its dynamic data has changed!



Classes with Data Member Pointers Need



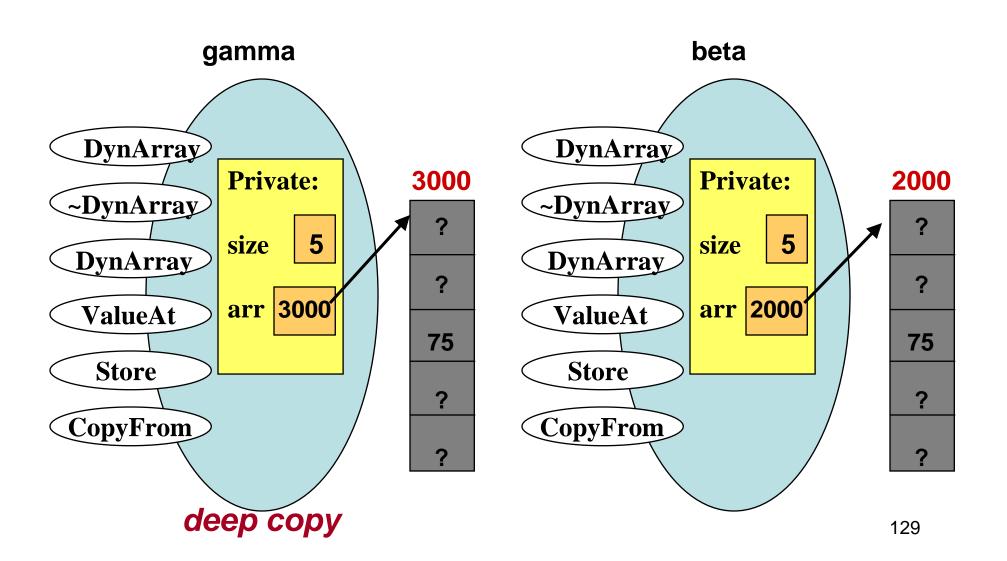
```
DynArray::DynArray(const DynArray& otherArr)
  // Copy constructor
  // Implicitly called for deep copy in
  // initializations
  // POST: If room on free store THEN
  // new array of size otherArr.size is created
  // on free store && arr == its base address
         && size == otherArr.size
  // && arr[0..size-1] == otherArr.arr[0..size-1]
  // ELSE error occurs
    int i;
    size = otherArr.size;
    arr = new int[size] //Allocate memory for copy
    for (i = 0; i< size; i++)
        arr[i] = otherArr.arr[i]; // Copies array
```

What about the assignment operator?

 The default method used for assignment of class objects makes a shallow copy

 If your class has a data member that points to dynamic data, you should write a member function to create a deep copy of the dynamic data

gamma.CopyFrom(beta);



```
void DynArray::CopyFrom (/* in */ DynArray otherArr)
  // Creates a deep copy of otherArr
  // POST: Array pointed to by arr@entry deallocated
  // && IF room on free store
         THEN new array is created on free store
  //
  // && arr == its base address
  //
          && size == otherArr.size
  //
          && arr[0..size-1] == otherArr[0..size-]
  //
          ELSE halts with error message
   int i;
   delete[] arr; // Delete current array
   size = otherArr.size;
   arr = new int [size]; // Allocate new array
   for (i = 0; i < size; i++) // Deep copy array
       arr[i] = otherArr.arr[i];
```