

# LINKED CHAIN CONCEPTS

# LINKED DATA





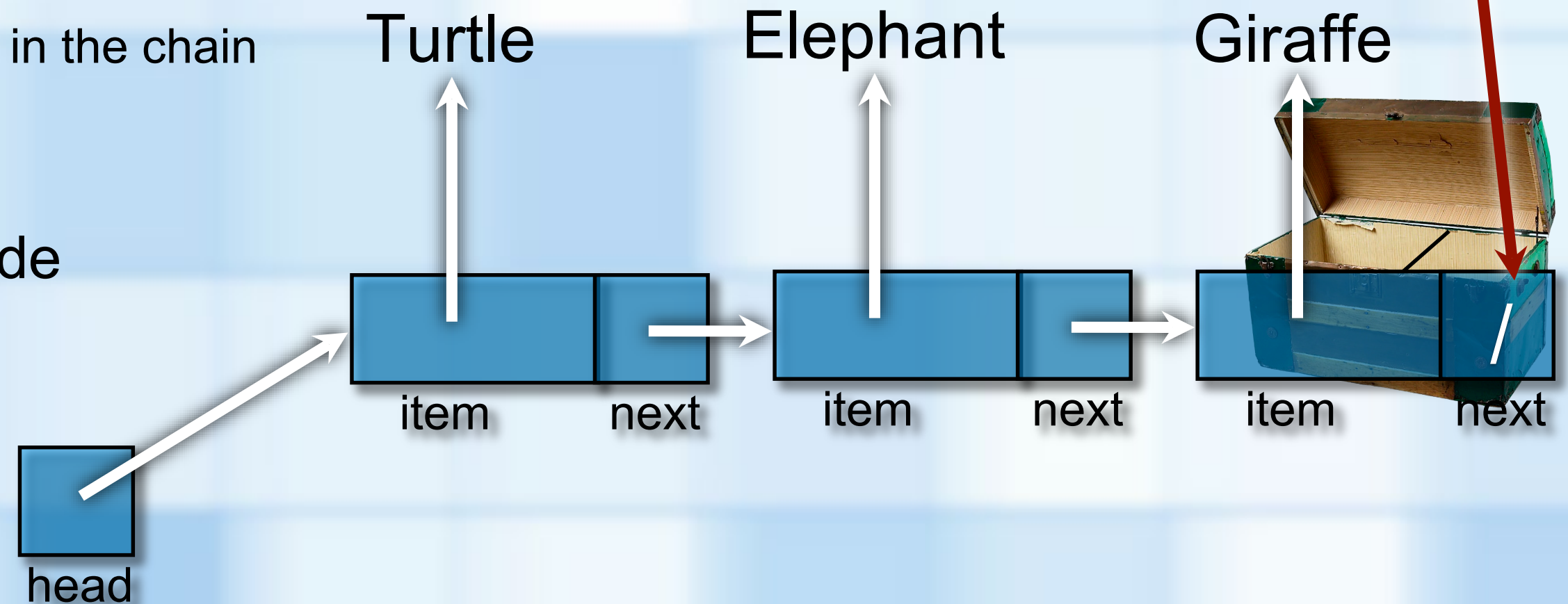
# LINKED DATA

- **Node**

- Object used for linking together data
- Two data fields
  - Data item in the collection
  - Address of the next node in the chain

- **Head**

- References the first node in the chain



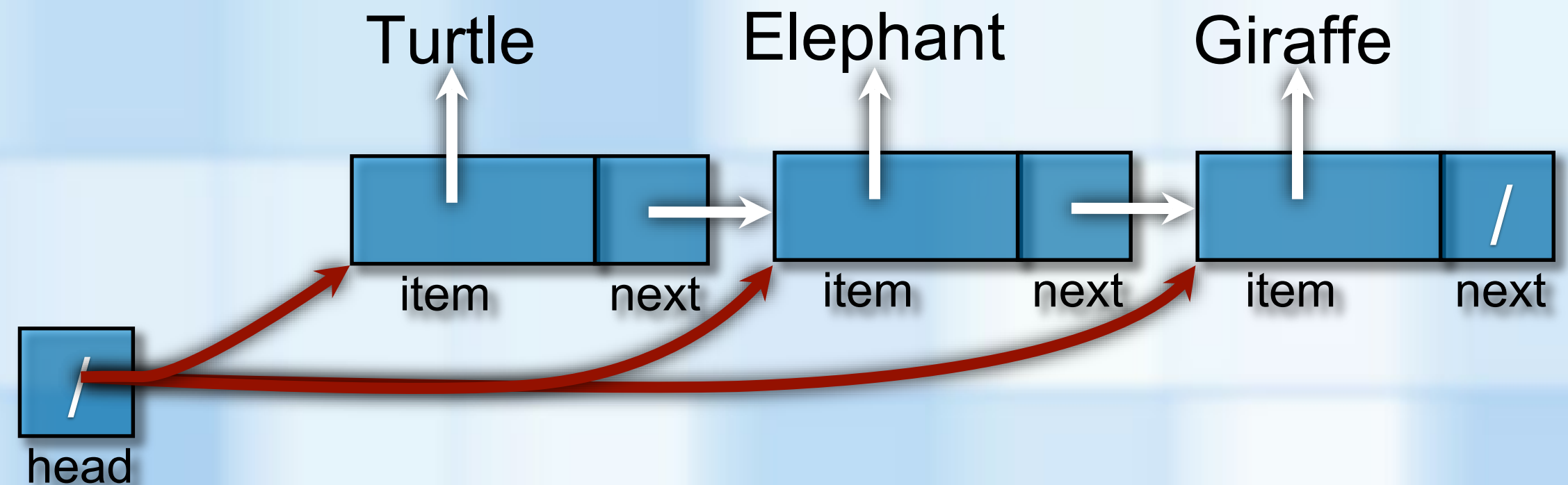
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- **Forming a Chain**

- Asked to store item
- Create a node
- Store reference to item
- Store reference to new node in head

- While there are more items

- Create a node
- Store reference to item
- **Copy reference in head to next field in node**
- Store reference to new node in head



# CLASS NODE

Node . h

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  - With reference only to next node
    - Set `next` to `nullptr`
- **Accessor and mutator methods**
  - For getting a reference to the data or next node
  - For setting the next node and the data

```
/** @file Node.h */

#ifndef _NODE
#define _NODE

template<class ItemType>
class Node
{
private:
    ItemType    item;
    Node<ItemType>* next;

public:
    Node();
    Node(const ItemType& anItem);
    Node(const ItemType& anItem,
         Node<ItemType>* nextNode);

    void setItem(const ItemType& anItem);
    void setNext(Node<ItemType>* nextNode);

    ItemType getItem() const;
    Node<ItemType>* getNext() const;

}; // end Node

#include "Node.cpp"
#endif
```

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template<class ItemType>
Node<ItemType>::Node()
    : next(nullptr)
{ } // end default constructor

template<class ItemType>
Node<ItemType>::Node(const ItemType& anItem)
    : item(anItem), next(nullptr)
{ } // end constructor

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Node<ItemType>::Node(const ItemType& anItem,
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template<class ItemType>
ItemType Node<ItemType>::getItem() const
{
    return item;
} // end getItem

template<class ItemType>
Node<ItemType>* Node<ItemType>::getNext() const
{
    return next;
} // end getNext

template<class ItemType>
void Node<ItemType>::setItem(const ItemType& anItem)
{
    item = anItem;
} // end setItem

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void Node<ItemType>::setNext(Node<ItemType>* nextNode)
{
    next = nextNode;
} // end setNext
```

# LINKED CHAIN CONCEPTS



# IMPLEMENTING A LINKEDBAG

- **Steps to Follow**
  - Decide on Data Fields
  - Implement Constructor
    - Initialize the data fields
  - Implement Core Functions
    - Methods critical to collection functionality
    - Methods to check status of collection
  - Test Your Implementation
  - Implement Additional Methods
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    void setItem(const ItemType& anItem);
    void setNext(Node<ItemType>* nextNode);
    ItemType getItem() const;

    Node<ItemType>* getNext() const;
}; // end Node

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#endif
```

# DECIDE ON DATA FIELDS

LinkedBag.h

- Items are stored in a linked chain
  - Reference to the first node in the chain
  - Number of entries in the chain

```
template<class ItemType>
class LinkedBag : public BagInterface<ItemType>
{
private:
    Node<ItemType>* headPtr;
    int itemCount;

    Node<ItemType>* getPointerTo(const
                                ItemType& anEntry) const;

public:
    LinkedBag();
    LinkedBag(const LinkedBag<ItemType>& aBag);
    ~LinkedBag();
    int getCurrentSize() const;
    bool isEmpty() const;
    bool add(const ItemType& newEntry);
    bool remove(const ItemType& anEntry);
    void clear();
    bool contains(const ItemType& anEntry) const;
    int getFrequencyOf(const ItemType& anEntry) const;
    void toVector(std::vector<ItemType>& bagContents) const;
}; // end LinkedBag
```

# IMPLEMENTING CONSTRUCTORS

LinkedList.cpp

- Must happen before other class methods can be called
- Ensure all data fields are initialized
  - No items in bag

```
template<class ItemType>
LinkedList<ItemType>::LinkedList()
    : headPtr(nullptr), itemCount(0)
{
} // end default constructor
```

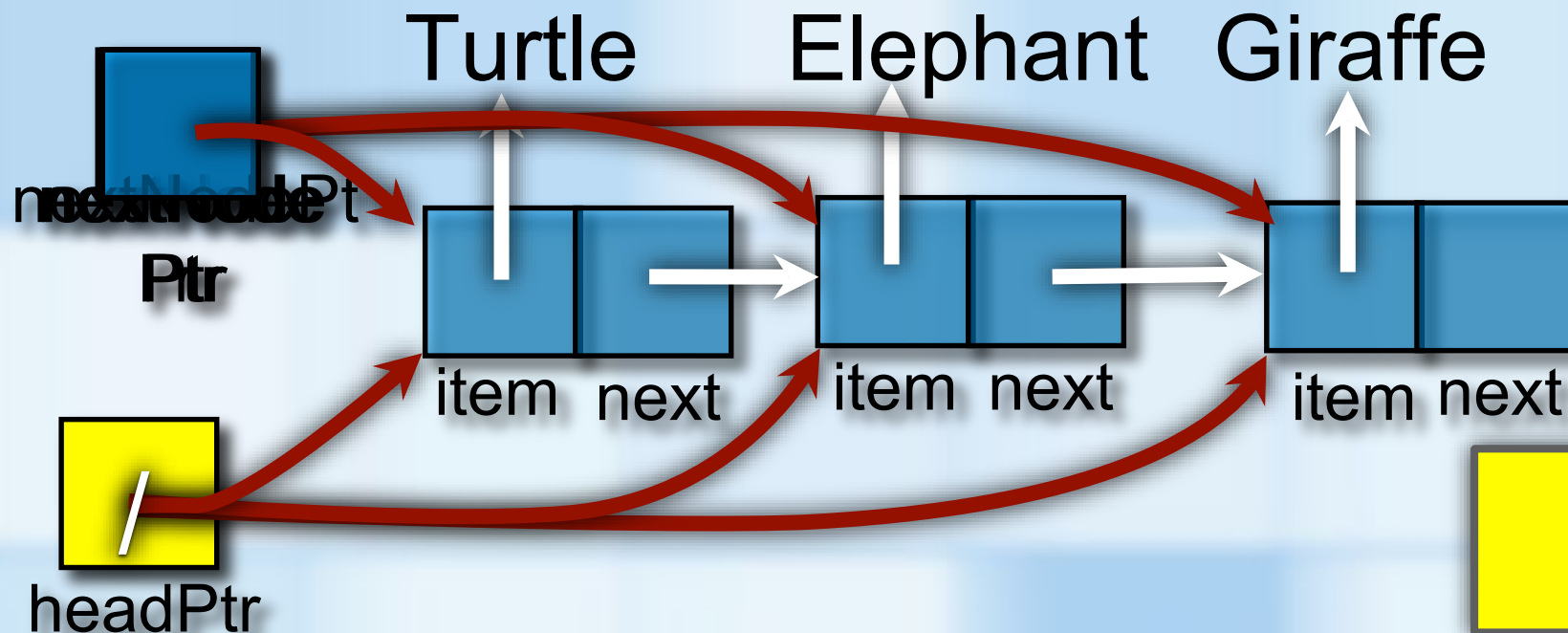


# IMPLEMENTING CORE METHODS

LinkedBag.cpp

- Place items into bag

- Create a node and store reference to item
- Copy reference in head (**headPtr**) to **next** field in node
- Store reference to new node in head
- Increment number of entries in bag



```
template<class ItemType>
bool LinkedBag<ItemType>::add(const
                               ItemType& newEntry)
{
    // add to beginning of chain:
    // new node references rest of chain;
    // (headPtr is null if chain is empty)

    Node<ItemType>* nextNodePtr =
        new Node<ItemType>(newEntry, headPtr);

    headPtr = nextNodePtr; // new node is first node
    itemCount++;

    return true;
} // end add
```

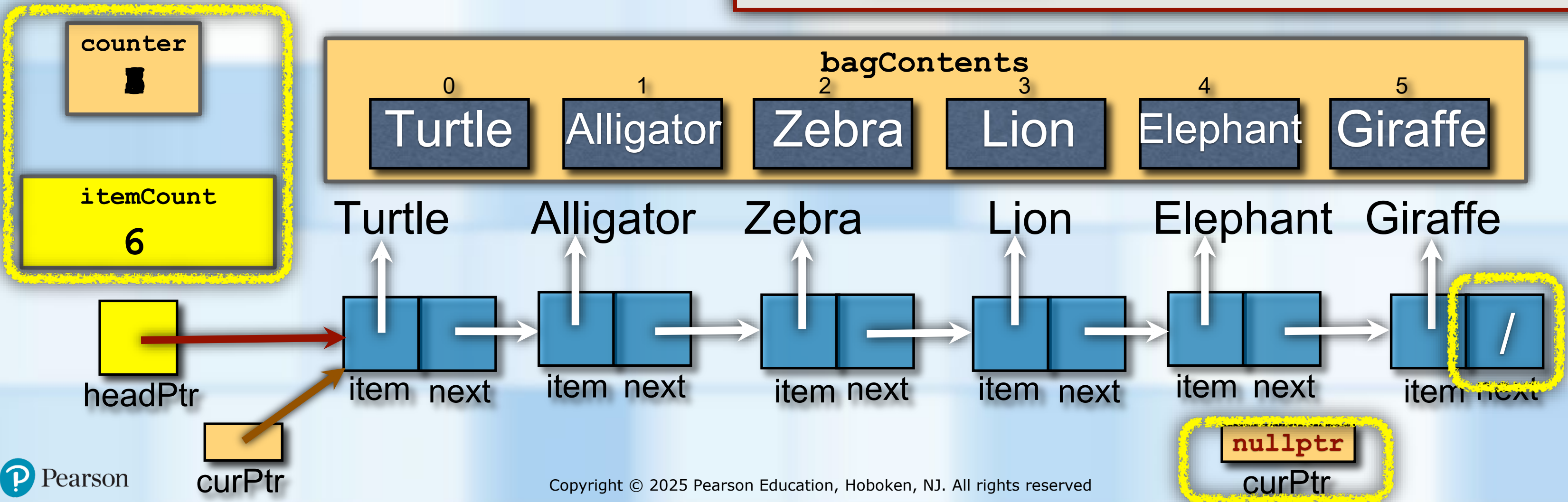
itemCount

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# IMPLEMENTING CORE METHODS

- Report on items in object
  - Allows us to determine if the items were added properly.

```
template<class ItemType>
std::vector<ItemType> LinkedBag<ItemType>::toVector() const
{
    std::vector<ItemType> bagContents;
    Node<ItemType>* curPtr = headPtr;
    int counter = 1
    while ((curPtr != nullptr) && (counter <= itemCount))
    {
        bagContents.push_back(curPtr->getItem());
        curPtr = curPtr->getNext();
        counter++;
    } // end while
} // end toVector
```



# CORE LINKEDBAG METHODS



# REMOVING A SPECIFIC ITEM

```
remove (anEntry)
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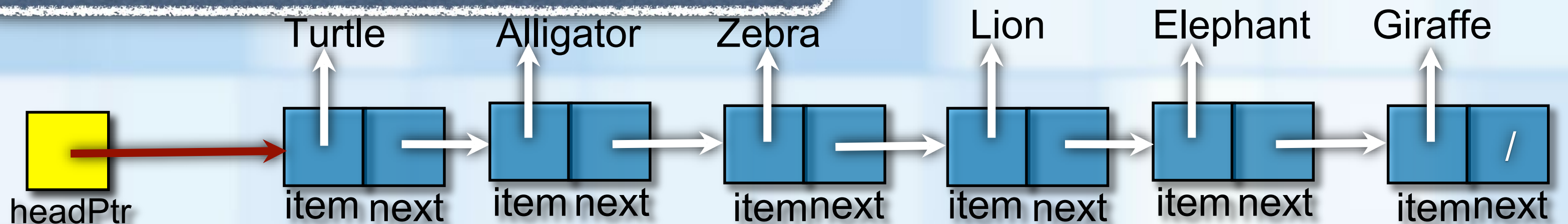
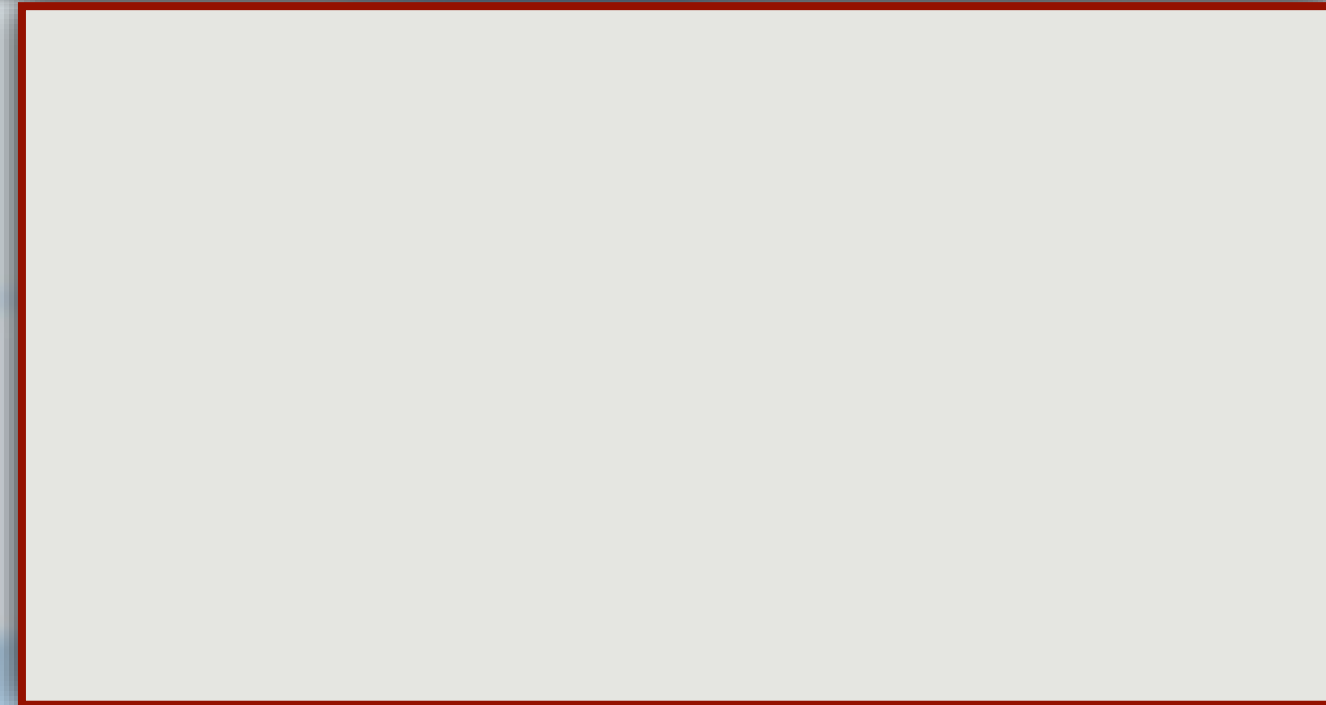
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  if ( N exists )
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    replace the entry in node N  
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    remove the first node
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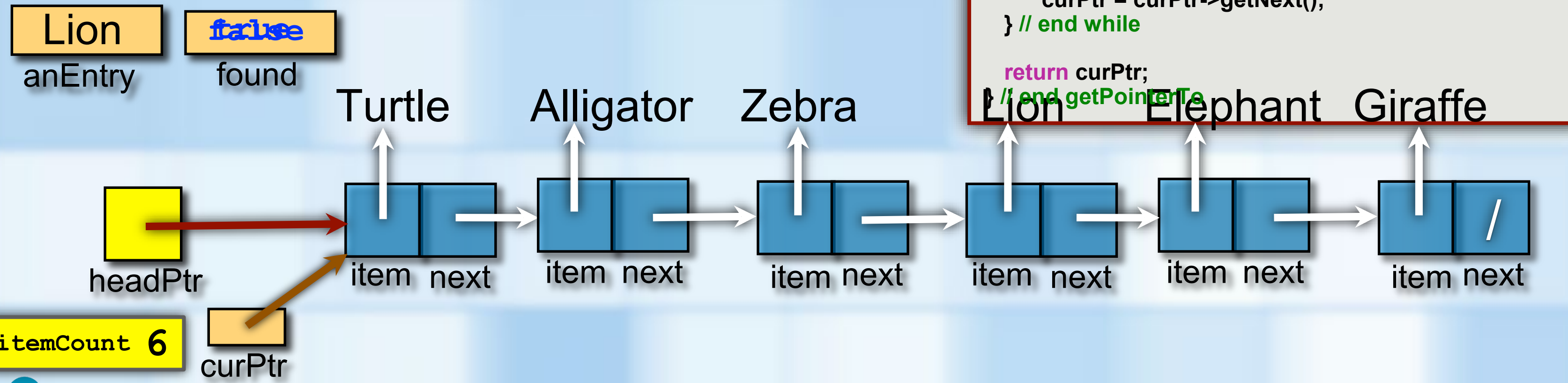
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  return true (false) to indicate success (failure)
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itemCount 6

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- The method `getPointerTo`
  - returns a reference to the node containing `anEntry` or `nullptr` if `anEntry` is not in the bag.
  - while the entry has not been found and there are more nodes in the chain
    - compare the entry in the current node to the target entry





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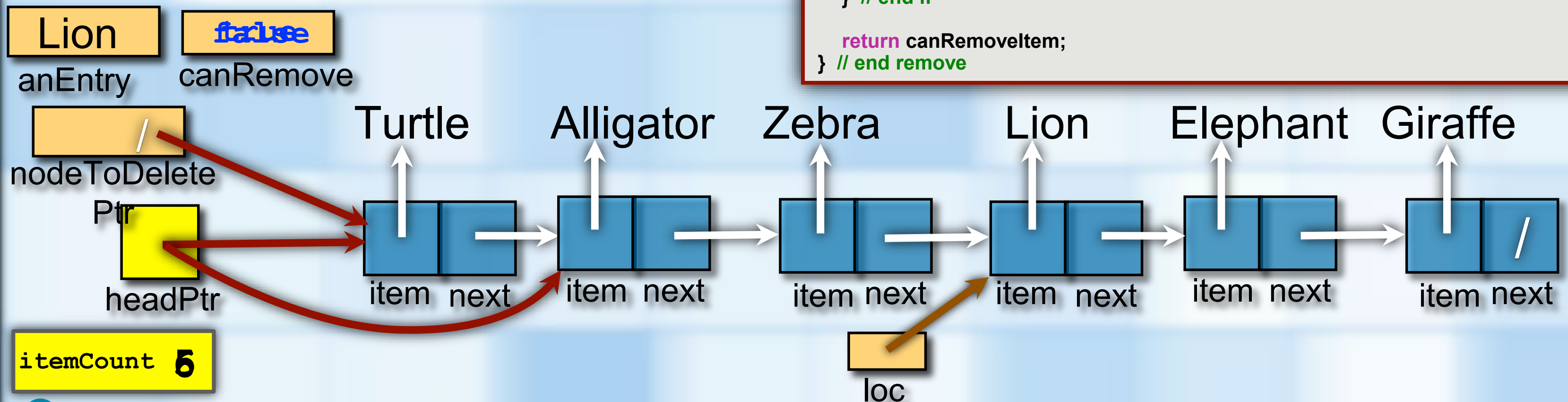
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template<class ItemType>
bool LinkedBag<ItemType>::remove(const ItemType& anEntry)
{
    Node<ItemType>* loc = getPointerTo(anEntry);
    bool canRemoveItem = !isEmpty() && (loc != nullptr);
    if (canRemoveItem)
    {
        // copy data from first node to located node
        loc->setItem(headPtr->getItem());

        // delete first node
        Node<ItemType>* nodeToDeletePtr = headPtr;
        headPtr = headPtr->getNext();

        // return node to the system
        delete nodeToDeletePtr;
        nodeToDeletePtr = nullptr;

        itemCount--;
    } // end if

    return canRemoveItem;
} // end remove
```





# THE METHOD contains

- Use the private helper method `getPointerTo`
  - if the helper returns `nullptr`
    - the item is not in the bag
  - if the helper returns a reference to a node
    - the item is in the bag

```
template<class ItemType>
bool LinkedBag<ItemType>::contains(
    const ItemType& anEntry) const
{
    return (getPointerTo(anEntry) != nullptr);
} // end contains
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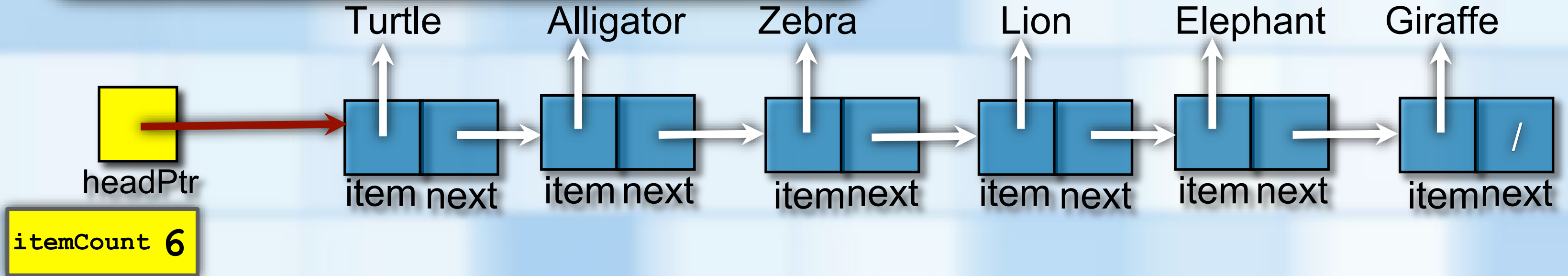
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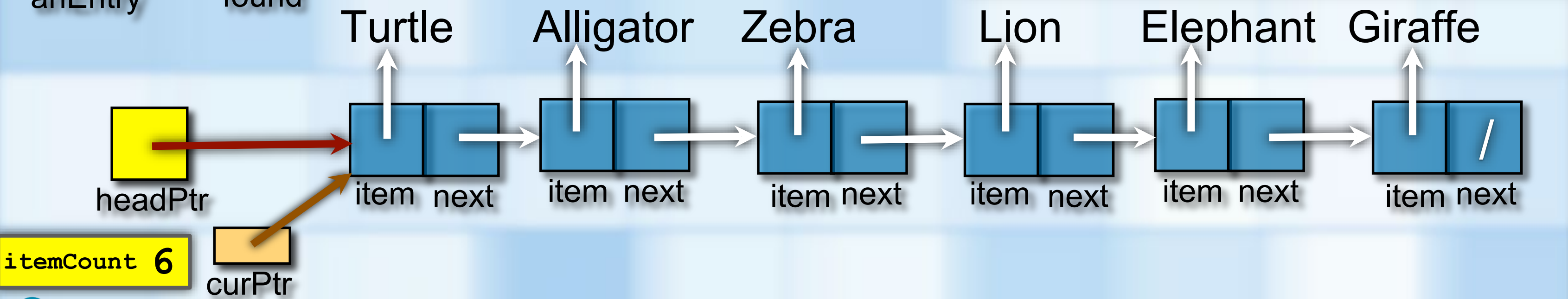
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template<class ItemType>
Node<ItemType>* LinkedBag<ItemType>::getPointerTo(
    const ItemType& anEntry) const
{
    bool found = false;
    Node<ItemType>* curPtr = headPtr;

    while (!found && (curPtr != nullptr))
    {
        if (anEntry == curPtr->getItem())
            found = true;
        else
            curPtr = curPtr->getNext();
    } // end while

    return curPtr;
} // end getPointerTo
```

`Lion` is `anEntry`   `false` is `found`   try in the current node to the target entry





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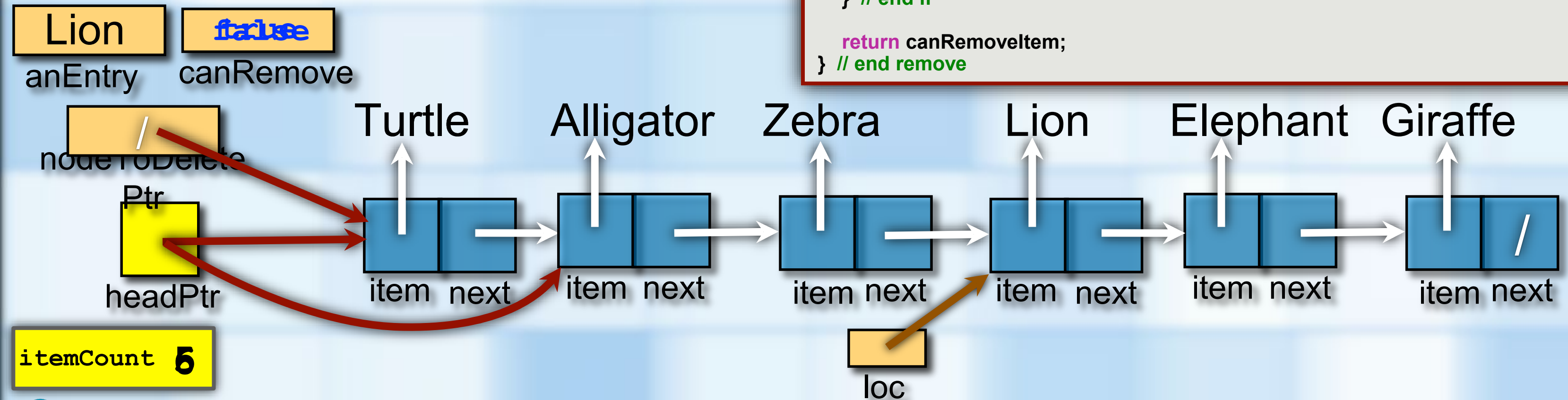
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