

# comp1511 week 8

*starting ~ 11:07am*

# notices

- assignment 2 released :)
- assignment 1 marking in progress

# today

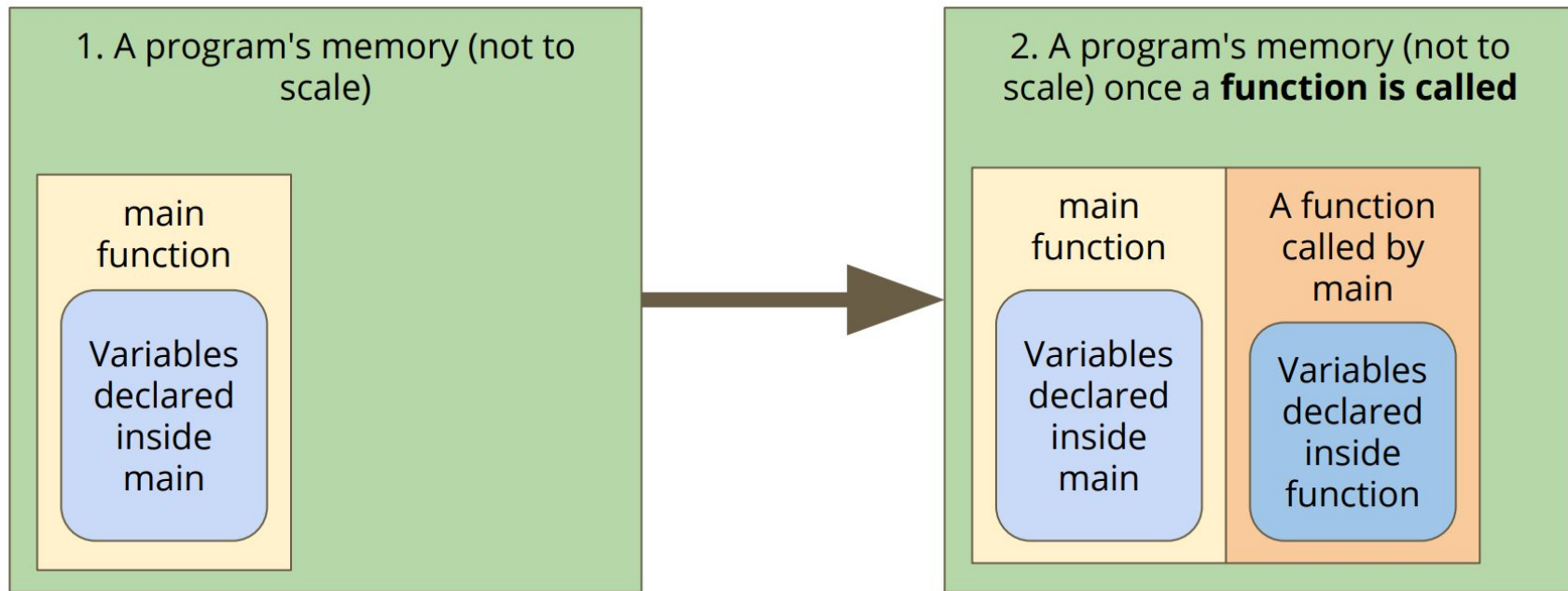
- malloc
- linked lists
  - Intro and diagramming
  - Iterating through a linked list
  - Inserting into a linked list

# malloc

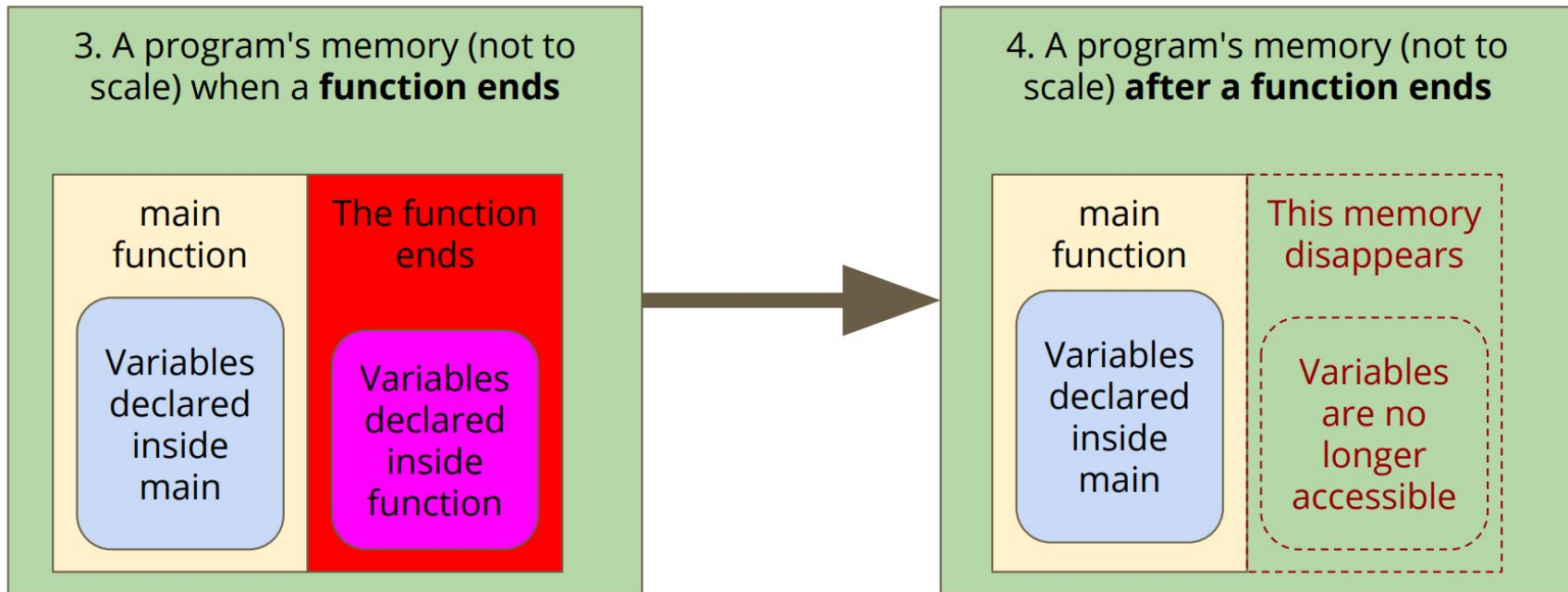
1. **malloc()** - what is it? what inputs? what outputs?
2. **sizeof()** - what does it give us?
3. **how would you malloc a struct?** malloc.c

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

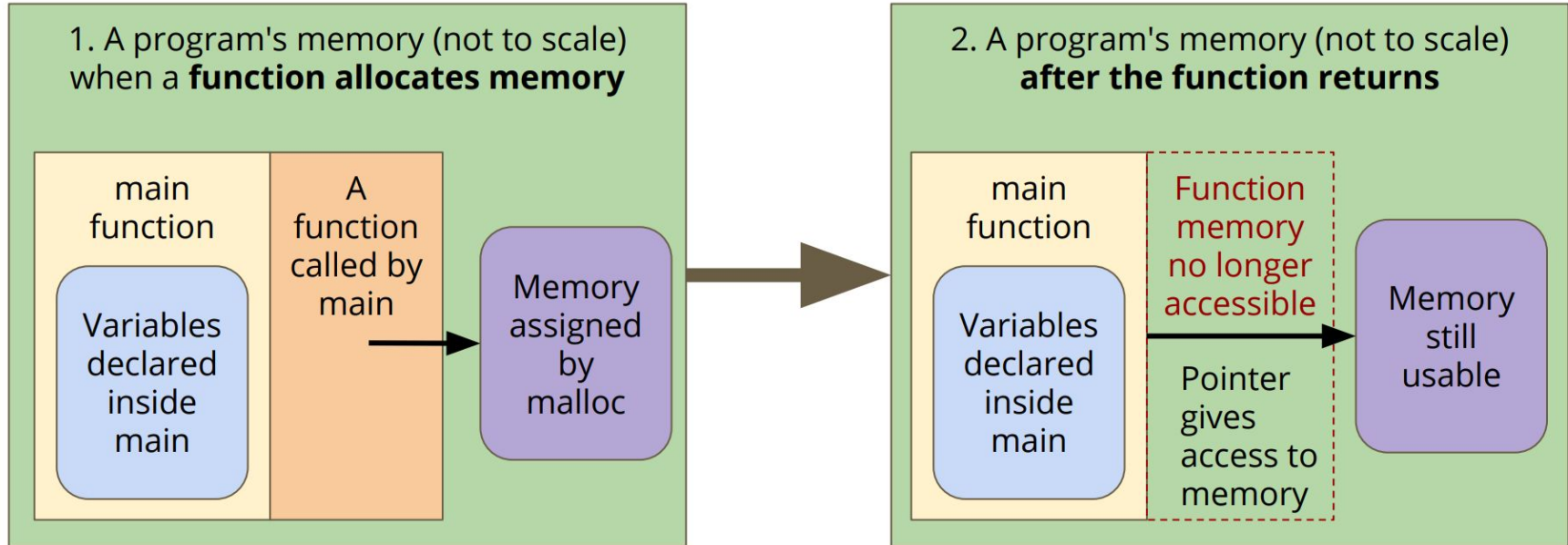
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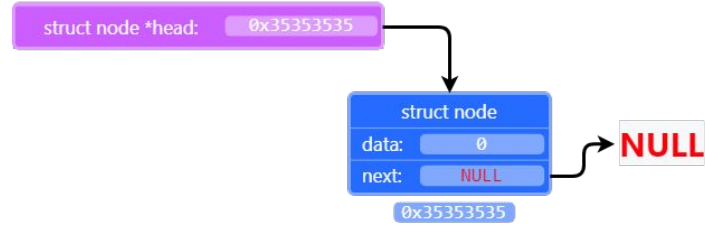
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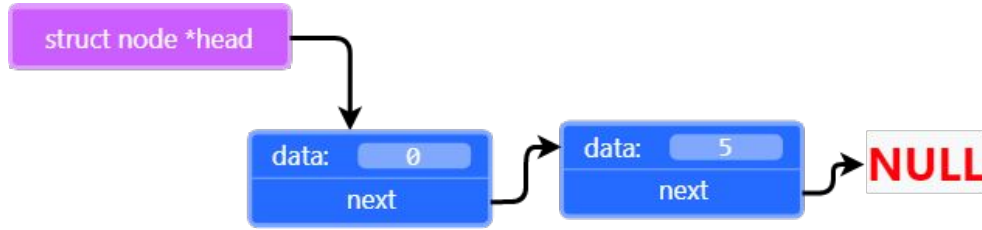
# using malloc, we can assign some memory that's not tied to a function (placed on “the heap”)



**what is a linked list?**  
and why do we care?



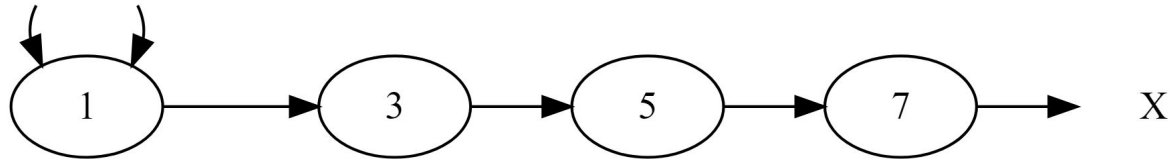




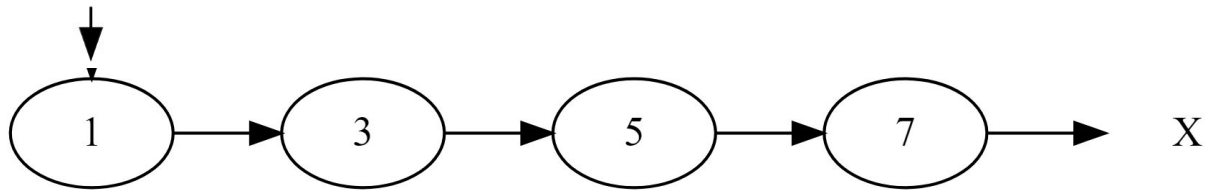
**how would you add another node  
after the first node??**

# looping through a linked list

head current

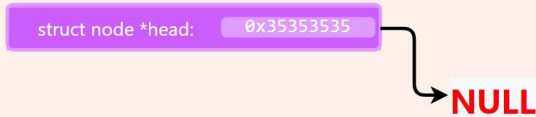


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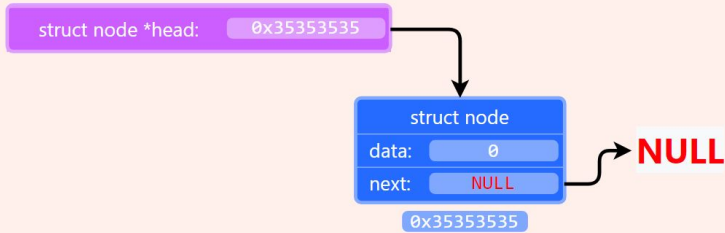


# inserting into a linked list

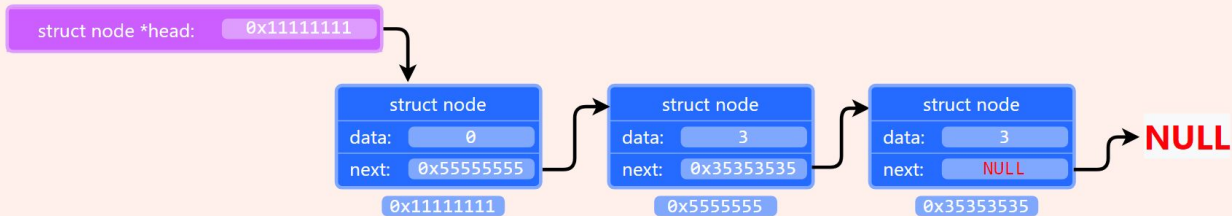
1. An empty list:



2. A list of length 1:

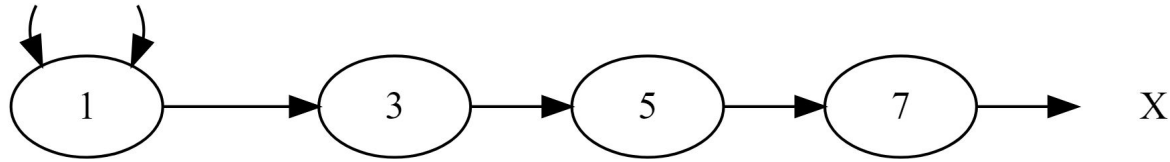


3. A longer list:

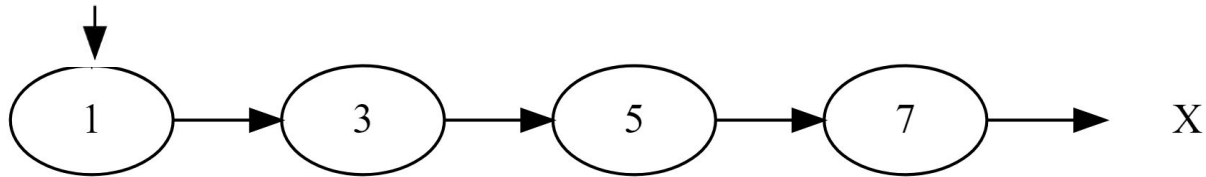


# inserting into a linked list

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# style tips

- **nice work overall from everyone :D**
- **constants:** #define command letters
  - #define ADD\_LOGS 'l'
- **variables:** declare them closer to where they are used rather than all at the beginning (especially for loop counters) – why?
- **functions:** short and sweet, should have one task
  - really, really important for writing good code
- **function comments:** they go above the function and explain what the function does
  - input (including assumptions eg. “takes in a valid coordinate”), output (what it returns), any additional effects
  - comments that make sense on their own rather than “stage 1.2”
- ***any others you want to share?***