



LINKED LISTS

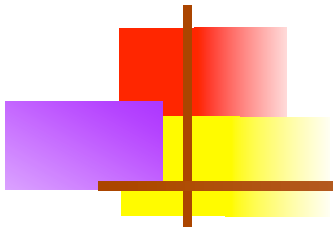
Lecture 10





Recap

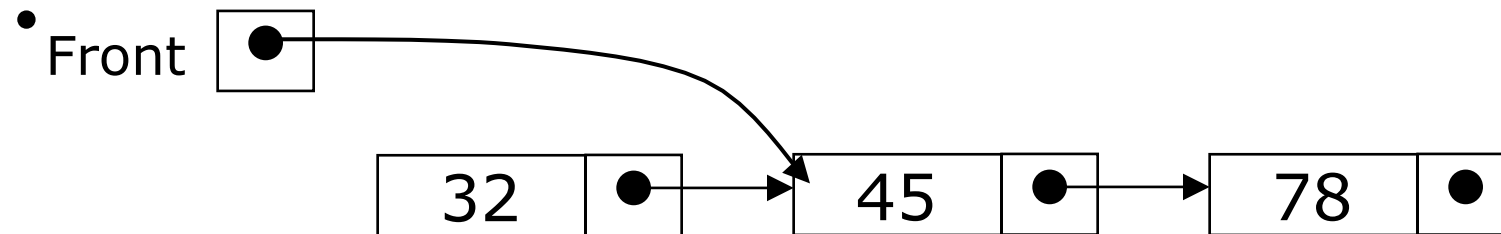
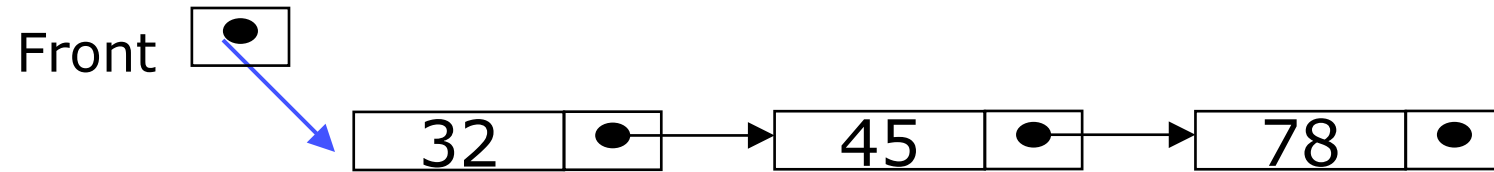
- Creating a node of the linked list
- Adding the first node of the list
- Insertion – front, end
- Deletion – front, end
- Linked list traversal
 - Insertion at a specific place
 - Deletion of a specific node
 - Counting the nodes
 - Printing the list
- Recursion and Linked lists



Deletion in Linked Lists

Deleting the first node

- To delete the first element, change the link in the header



- `Node ptr = Front.getLink();`
`Front = ptr;`



Deleting the last node

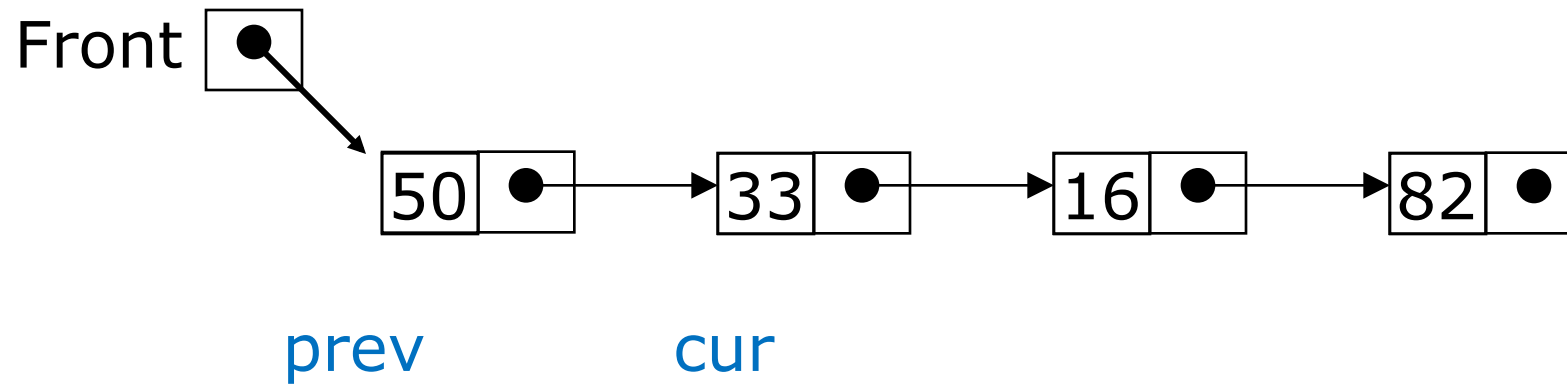
- Set pointer **prev** (previous node) to first node of the list.
- Set pointer **cur** (current node) to second node of the list.
- Traverse the list till **cur** reaches the last node
- set link for **prev** to null, so that last node is not reachable.

```
Node prev = Front;  
Node cur = Front.getLink();  
while ( cur.getLink() != null) {  
    prev = cur;  
    cur = cur.getLink();  
}  
prev.setLink(null);
```

Add code to handle single node in the list.

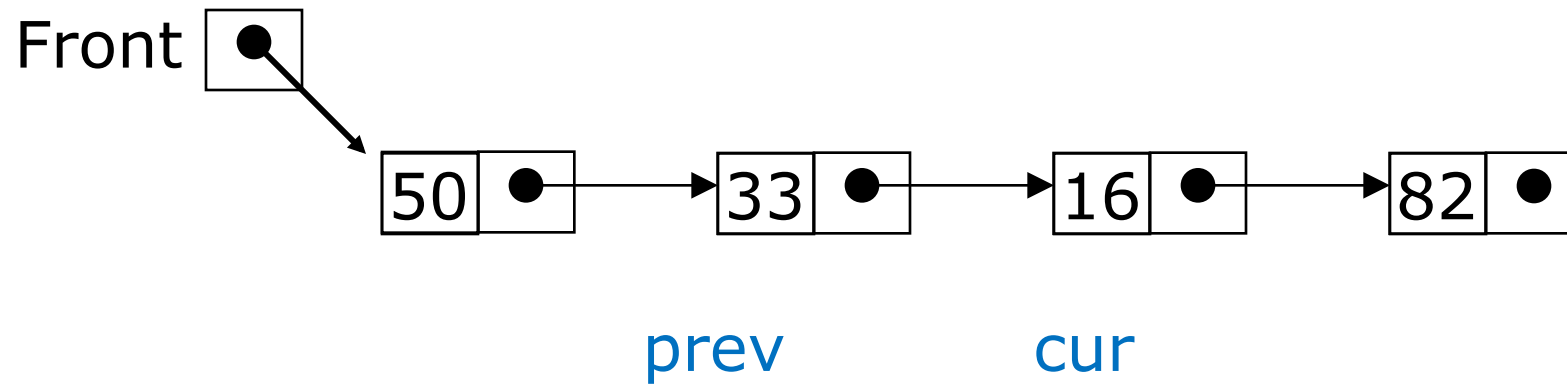
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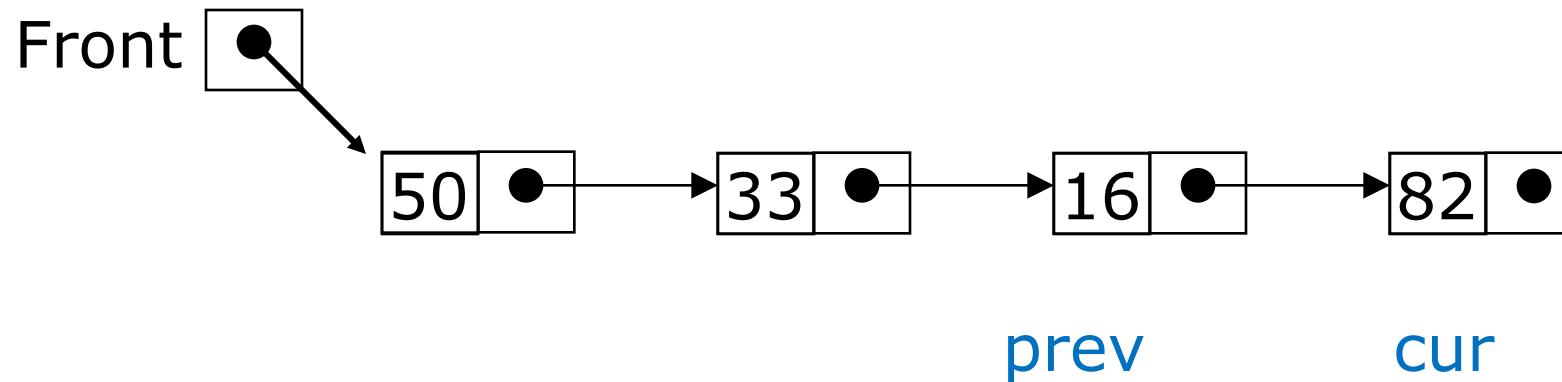
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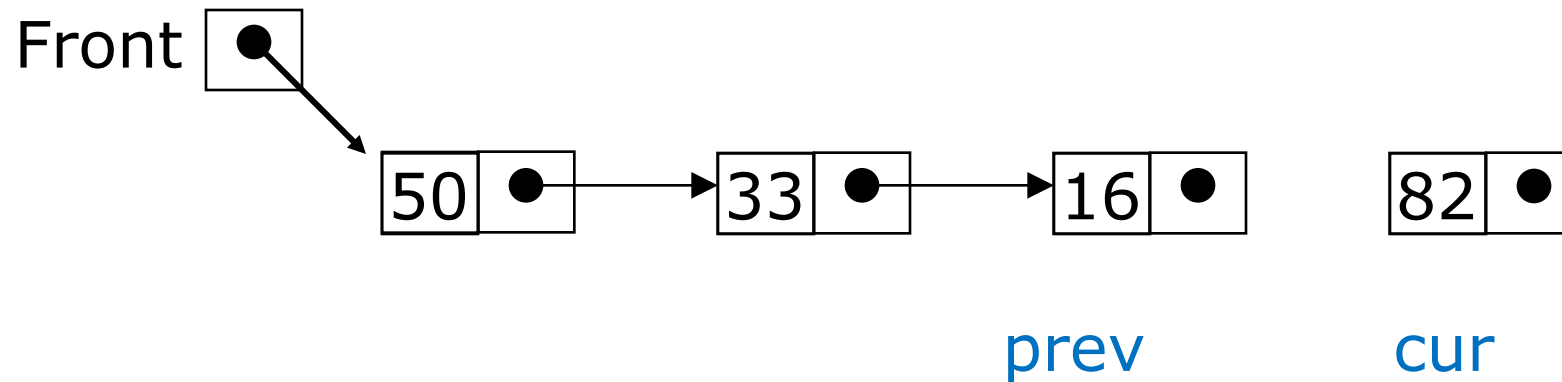
Traversing list with 2 pointers

- now cur points to last node and prev points to last but one node



Traversing list with 2 pointers

- set link of last but one node to null, so that the last node is not reachable (gets deleted)





Deleting a node containing data d

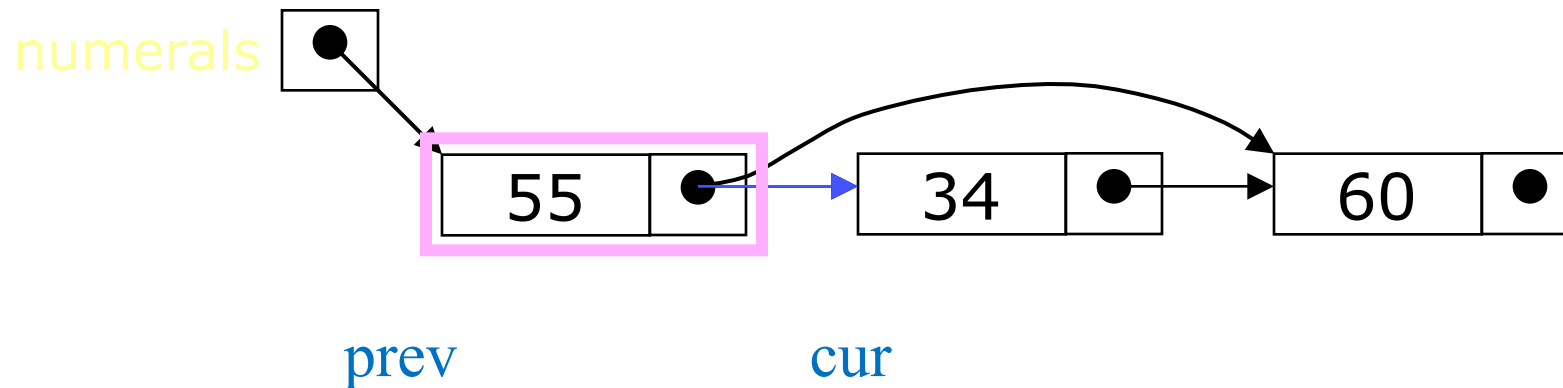
- Set pointer **prev** (previous node) to first node of the list.
- Set pointer **cur** (current node) to second node of the list.
- Traverse the list till **cur** reaches the node to be deleted.
- Set link for **prev** to next node of **cur** so that current node is not reachable.

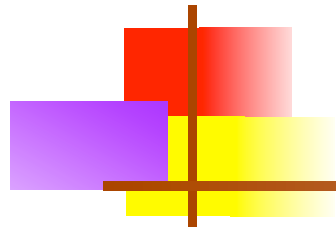
```
if (Front.getData == d) Front = Front.getLink();
else {
    Node prev = Front;
    Node cur = Front.getLink();
    while ( cur.getData() != d) {
prev = cur;
        cur = cur.getLink();
    }
    prev.setLink(cur.getLink());
}
```

Deleting a specific element

```
prev.setLink(cur.getLink());
```

- To delete a node, change the link in its previous node

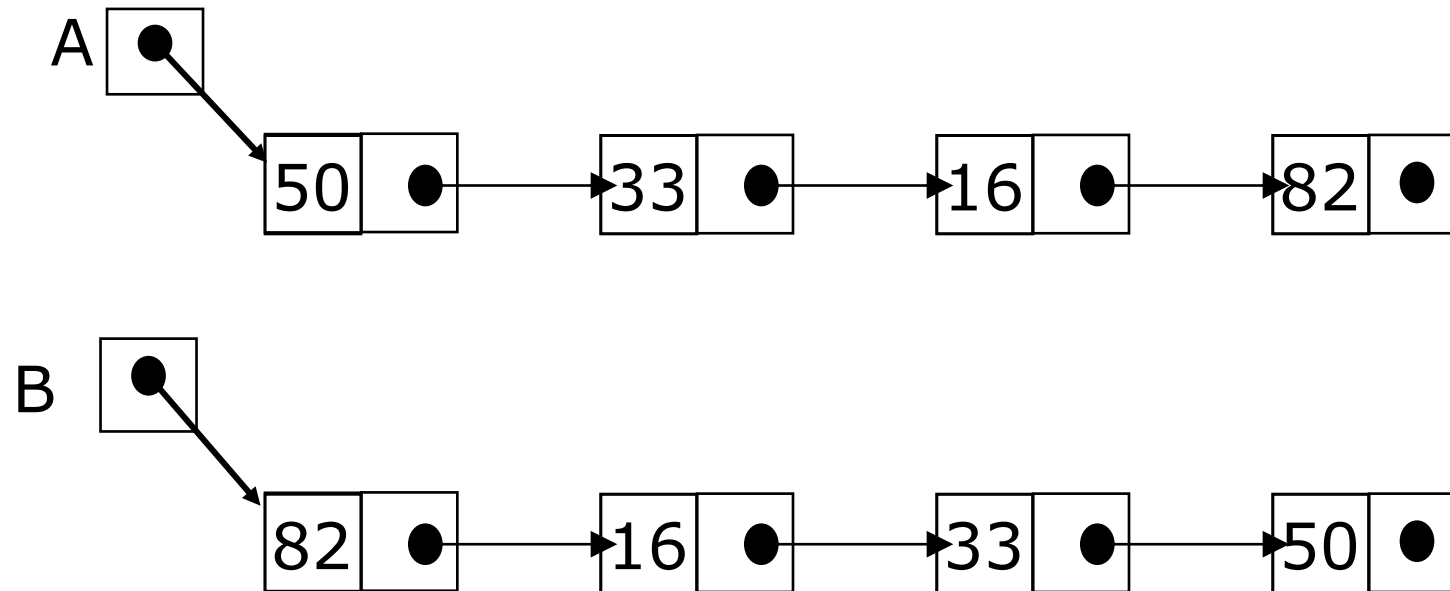




Reversing a Linked List

Creating another list with reversed contents

- Read contents from list A, and add them to front of list B.





Create a list B which is reverse of list A

```
ptr = A;  
B = null;  
while (ptr != null)  
{  
    int d = ptr.getData();  
    Node nptr = new Node ( d, null);  
    nptr.setLink(B);  
    B = nptr;  
    ptr = ptr.getLink();  
}
```



Reverse a Linked list in place

- You need to use 3 pointers: prev, cur, next
- Start with pointing cur to first node, and prev = null.
- Traverse the list in a while loop
 1. Set next to cur.link
 2. Set cur link to address of prev node
 3. Set prev to cur
 4. Set cur to next
- When loop is over, return prev node



Code for List Reversal

```
public static ReverseList (Node cur){  
    Node prev = null;  
    Node next = null;  
    while (cur != null) {  
        next = cur.getLink();  
        cur.setLink(prev);  
        prev = cur;  
        cur = next;  
    }  
    return prev;  
}
```




Recursive Function to Reverse a Linked List

- The base case is the empty list, or having a single node , when the Front (head) can be returned. The continuation case calls the function with node next to the head.

```
public static Node Reverse (Node head); {  
    if (head == null || head.getLink == null)  
        return head;  
    Node next = head.getLink;  
    head.getLink = null;  
    Node rest = Reverse(next);  
    next.setLink(head);  
    return rest;  
}
```



Exercises

- Create a list with each node containing name of student and his CGPA.
- Given the above list, find the name of the student having the highest CGPA.
- Given a list, create two lists with alternate elements of first list.
- Append a list at end of another list.
- Check if two lists are identical
- Given two lists, create a new lists taking corresponding elements from the two lists.