**CS-202** 

Dynamic Data Structures (Pt.1)

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### Course Week

#### Course, Projects, Labs:

| Monday  | Tuesday | Wednesday        | Thursday         | Friday  | Sunday  |
|---------|---------|------------------|------------------|---------|---------|
|         |         |                  | Lab (8 Sections) |         |         |
|         | CLASS   |                  | CLASS            |         |         |
| PASS    | PASS    | Project DEADLINE | NEW Project      | PASS    | PASS    |
| Session | Session |                  |                  | Session | Session |

Your Next Project is going to be for X-tra grade (& optional)!

7<sup>th</sup> Project Deadline was this Wednesday 4/3.

- NO Project accepted past the 24-hrs delayed extension (@ 20% grade penalty).
- Send what you have in time!

## Today's Topics

### Dynamic Data Structures

Array(s) vs Dynamically Growing/Shrinking Data Structures

### Linked-List(s)

- Basics
- > LL Node(s)
- > Traversal
- > Insertion
- > Deletion
- > Search

#### Data Structures and Dynamic Memory

A Class wrapping a Data Structure:

- Implemented with Dynamic Memory.
- A simple container which:
- 1) Holds a number of **m\_size** elements of some Struct or Class type of data (in this example, named **DataType**).
- 2),3) Can get instantiated empty/with a given initial size with all elements set to a specific value/as a copy of another structure, and properly deallocates its data when destroyed.
  - 4) Can set itself (assignment) to be a copy of another.
- 5) Can resize itself to allow holding a specific total number of elements.
- 6) Allows access to its elements for getting/modifying their value.

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public:
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           const DataType & value);
DataStruct(const DataStruct & other);
~DataStruct();
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void resize(size_t size);
                                    5)
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```
void DataStruct::push (const DataType & val) {
  resize(m_size + 1);
  if (m_size) { m_data[m_size] = val; }
}
void DataStruct::pop() {
  resize(m_size - 1);
}

void DataStruct::insert(size_t pos, const DataType & val) {
  /* ? works in-between, have to rework with temporary vars ?*/
}

void DataStruct::erase(size_t pos) {
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}
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### Dynamically growing (/shrinking) Data Structures

An organization of data in memory that:

- Flexibly grows/shrinks.
- Flexibly handles relationships between contained data: (Single or multiple relationships, connectivity, etc.)

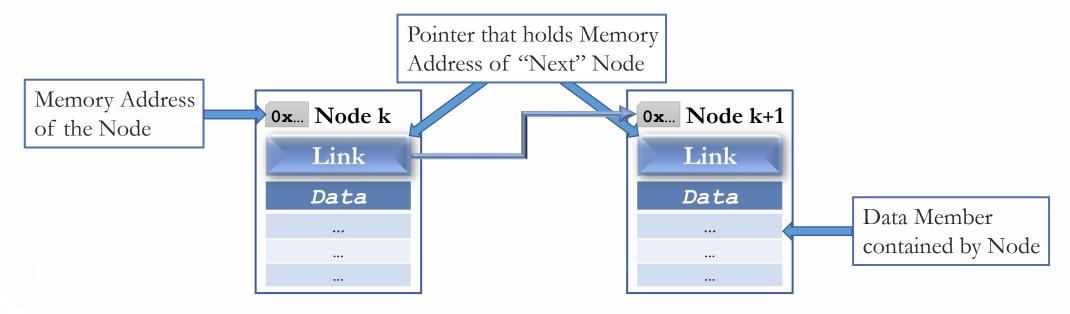
### The Linked-List (LL):

- Allows "easy" (i.e. computationally efficient) insertion and deletion.
- A simple Dynamic Data Structure (DDS).

#### Dynamically Data Structure paradigm

A container of elements that are represented as Nodes:

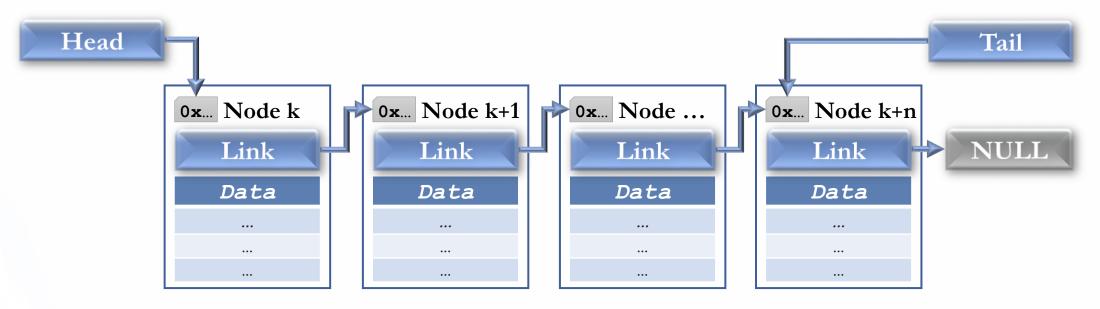
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#### Dynamically Data Structure paradigm

#### Example Linked-List

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- Linked-List has a Head & a Tail pointer to respective "First" & "Last" Node.



#### **Linked-List Basics**

Linked lists and Arrays are similar since they both store collections of data.

The Array's distinctive and advantageous features are derived from its nature, its strategy of allocating the memory for all its elements in one contiguous block of memory.

Linked-Lists use an entirely different strategy:

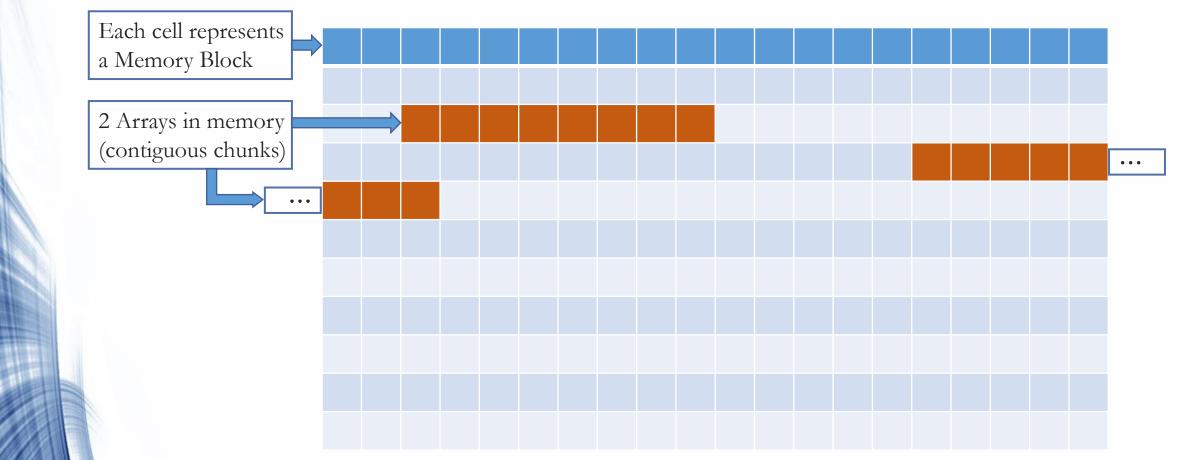
- Linked-Lists allocate memory for each element separately.
- Linked-Lists allocate memory for an element only when necessary.

#### Linked-List Utility

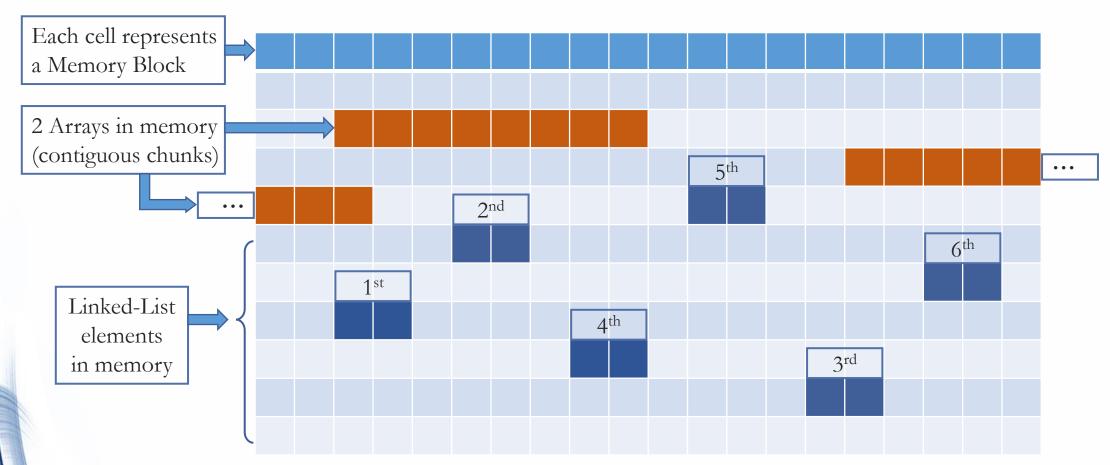
#### Array disadvantages:

- The size of the array is (relatively) fixed, and allocation is on the basis of "seems large enough".
- Requires a contiguous block of memory.
- If only a small amount of useful elements are in it most of the time, the remaining space wasted.
- If more elements than the declared size are needed often, code needs reconsideration.
- A number of operations including insertion in the middle of an array, element deletion, sorting, take time.

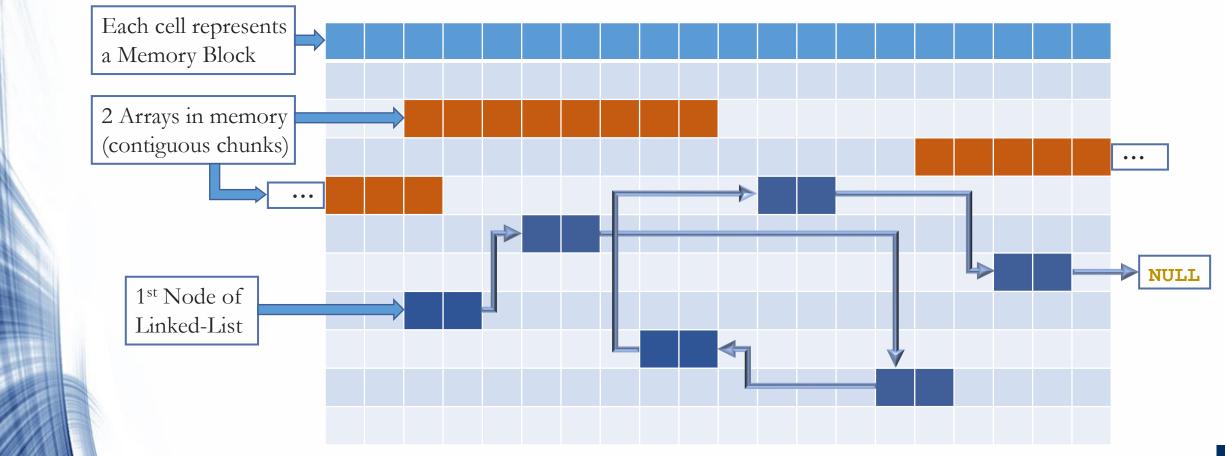
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### Linked-List Utility

Appropriate to use LLs when the number of data elements to be represented in the Data Structure at the same time is unpredictable:

- Linked lists are Dynamic Data Structures, so the length of a LL can grow or shrink as necessary.
- Each Node does not necessarily follow the previous one in physical memory ordering.
- Linked-Lists can be maintained in sorted order by inserting or deleting an element at the proper point in the List.

### Linked-List Utility

#### Advantages:

Easy resizing (all the time too).

Easy insertion and deletion anywhere in the Linked-List.

Contiguous storage required on the single-Node level only.

### Disadvantages:

Can't use simple pointer-offset indexing to access.

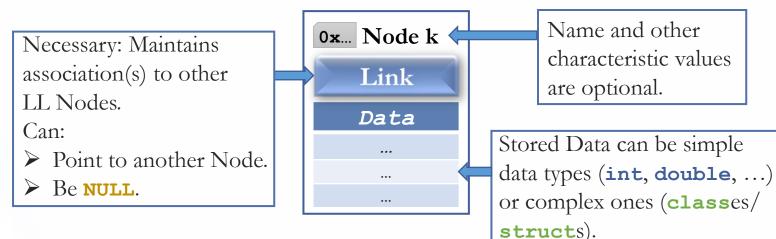
More intricate Memory Management required.

Additional memory required to store Pointer to "Next" Node.

#### The Node(s) (of the LL)

A Node of the LL is an element of the Dynamic Data Structure.

- Often represented as a class (as a struct too).
- Can have other characteristic values (a "name", "state", etc.).
- Should have Data, which are the data of DDS.
- Has to have a Pointer to associate "Next" Node in the LL.

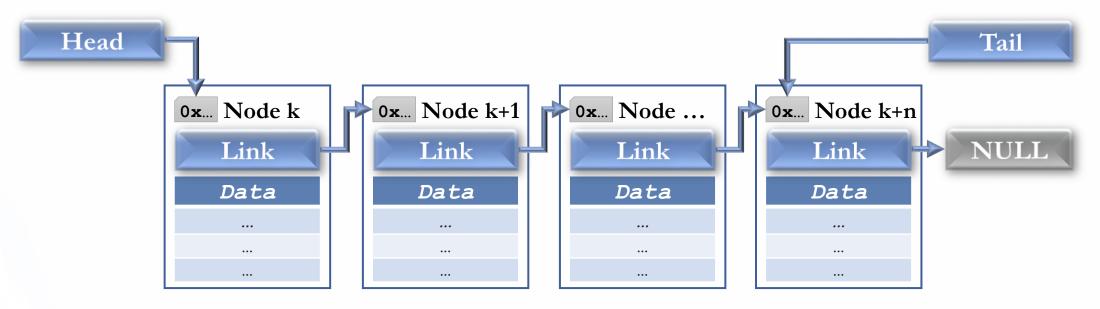


```
class Node {
 public:
 // ctor(s)
 // dtor
 // get - set methods
 private:
 char * m name
 int m data;
Node * m link;
};
```

#### The Linked-List

An example Linked-List:

- Each Node contains Data and the Address of "Next" Node in the Linked-List.
- Linked-List has a Head & a Tail pointer to respective "First" & "Last" Node.



#### The Head Pointer (of the LL)

The previously illustrated box labeled "head" is not a Node:

```
Node * head;
```

It is a simple Pointer to a Node, set to point to the first Node in LL.

- Head used to "maintain" the start of the LL.
- It is also usable as an argument to functions:

```
Examples:
```

```
(*head) .m_data = 12;
head->m_data = 12;
cin >> head->m name;
```

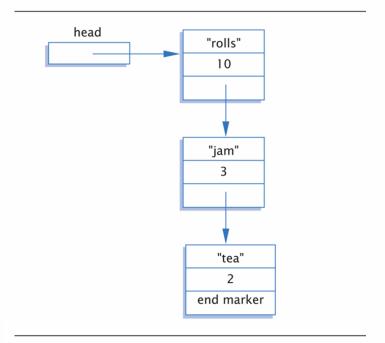
Set **count** member of LL's starting Node (through dereferencing or direct arrow notation).

Directly read-in to a member of LL's starting Node through **head** Pointer.

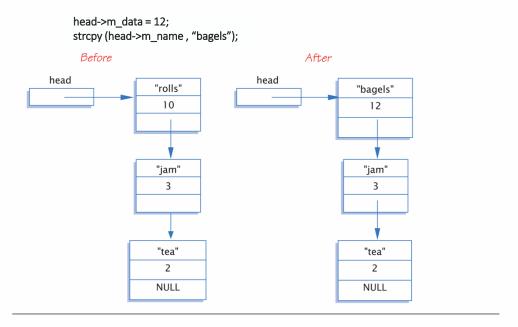
#### **Nodes and Pointers**

Visualization of:

A Linked-List DDS.



Accessing a Node (the "First" Node) through the Head Pointer.



#### End Marker (of the LL)

The "Last" Node in the Linked-List points to NULL.

- By convention, indicates "No further links after this Node".
- It provides end-marker functionality similarly to how partially-filled arrays are used (but without wasting extra space).

#### Overall:

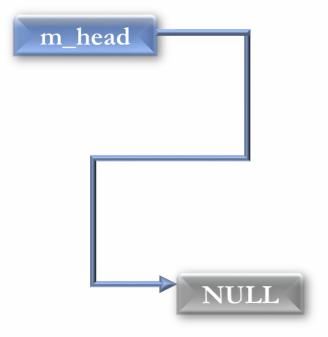
- Each LL Node points to either another Node, or to NULL.
- Only one link exists per-Node in the LL implementation.

#### The "Empty" List

An "Empty" Linked-List is a single Node pointer.

- The LL Head.
- Assigned to **NULL**.

```
Node * m head = NULL;
```



#### "First" Node creation

Declares a pointer variable m\_head.

Empty LL, so set to NULL pointer.

```
Node * m_head = NULL;
```

Dynamically allocate new Node.

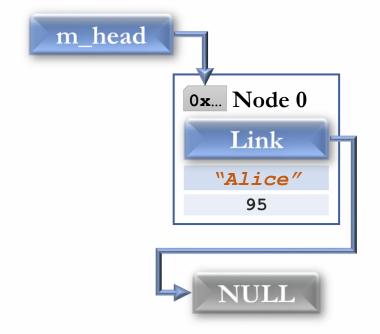
The First in the LL, so assigned to head.

```
m_head = new Node;
```

Set head Node data.

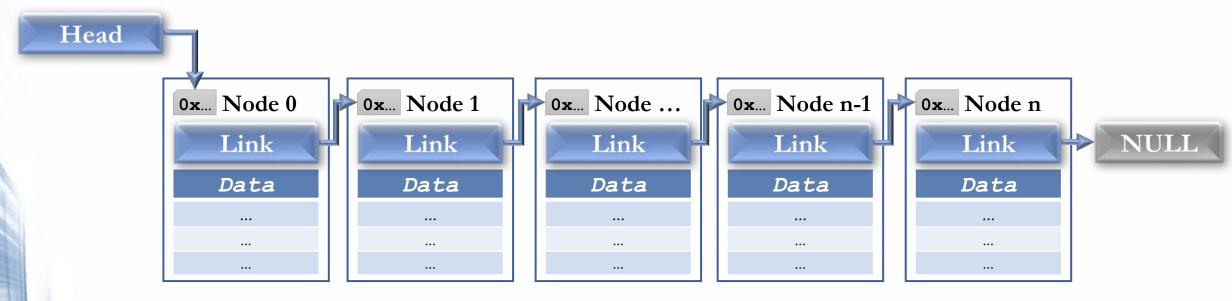
Link set to **NULL** since it's the only node.

```
m_head->setName("Alice");
m_head->setData(95);
m head->setLink(NULL);
```



### Memory Management and Linked-List(s)

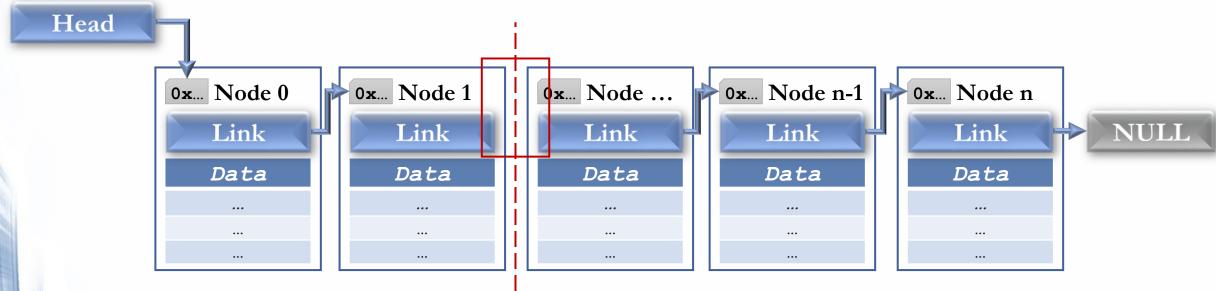
Important to ensure that none of the Nodes will go "missing".



- Must keep track of where Links point to.
- With careless coding, Nodes can get lost in memory (and there might be no way to recover them). CS-202 C. Papachristos N

### Memory Management and Linked-List(s)

Important to ensure that none of the Nodes will go "missing".



- > Only 1 Link per-Node exists.
- Losing just 1 Link breaks connectivity and isolates a part of the LL.

#### Linked-List Implementation

Some required functionalities to fully implement a working LL:

- Constructor ctor()
- > Destructor dtor ()
- > insert()
- > remove()
- > empty()
- > size()
- > at()
- > serialize()

#### Linked-List Implementation

Linked-Lists are handled differently under specific circumstances:

- Linked-List is empty.
- Linked List has only one element.
- Linked List has multiple elements.
- Changing something with the "First" or "Last" Node.

#### Linked-List Traversal

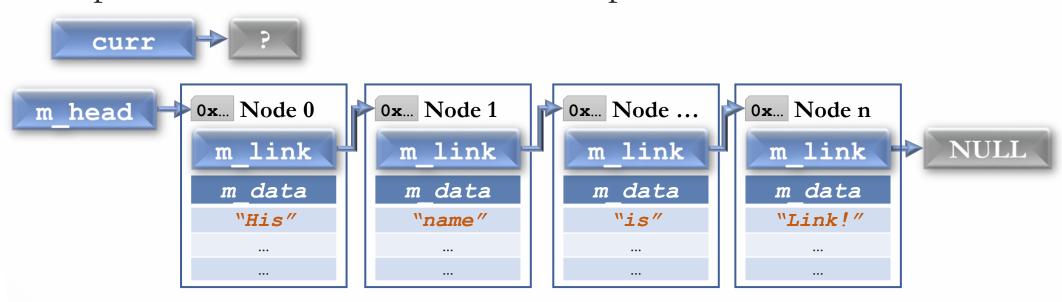
To perform LL Traversal, a control loop is used:

- ➤ Initialization
  Set the currently pointed-to Node curr to the "First" Node in the LL.
- Termination Condition
  Continue until we hit the End Marker of the LL (NULL).
- ➤ Modification

  Move from one Node to another using the "Next" Node Pointer m\_link.

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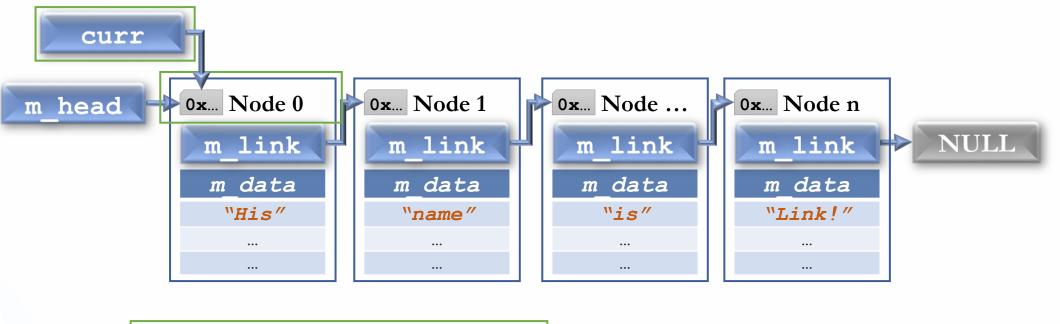
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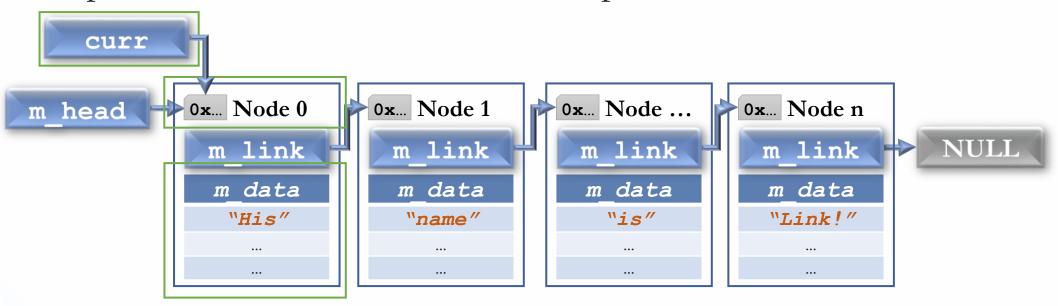
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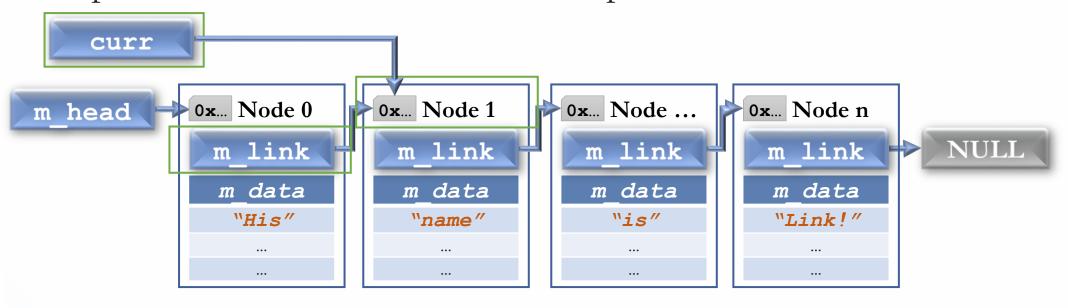
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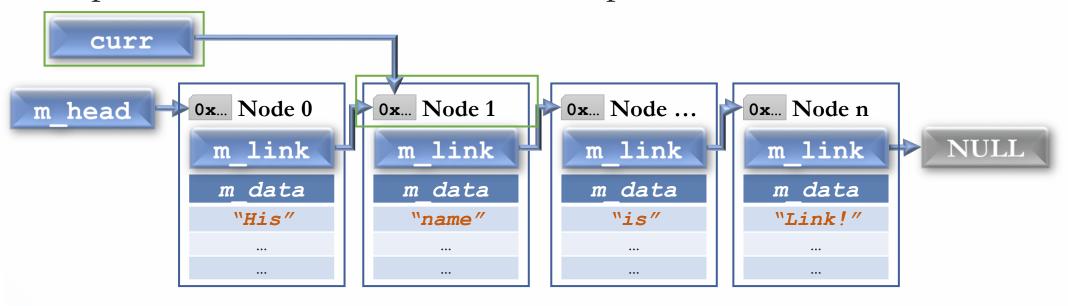
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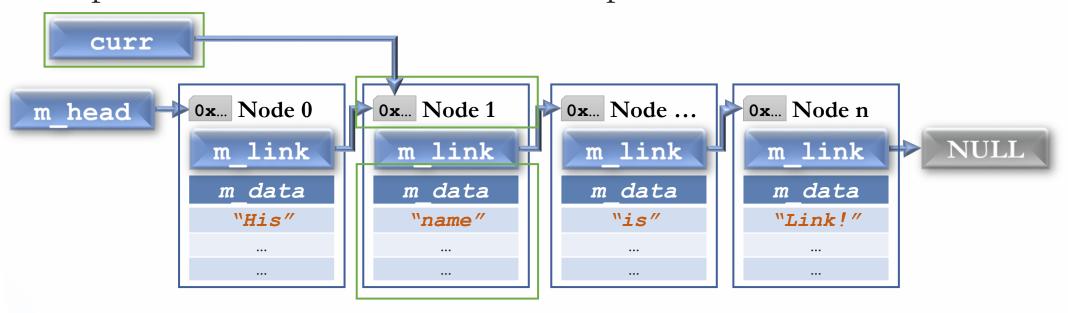
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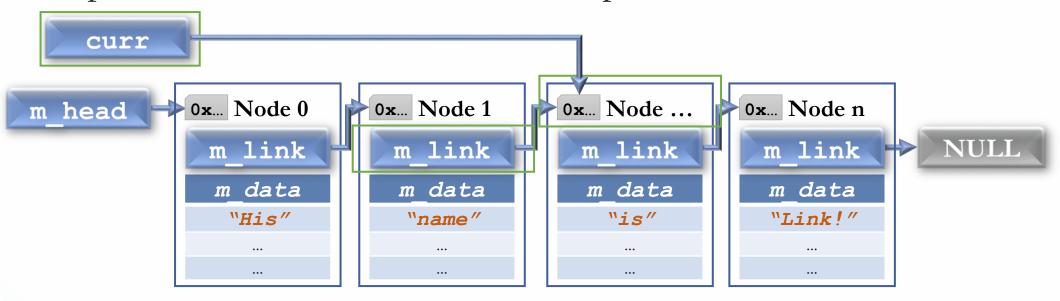


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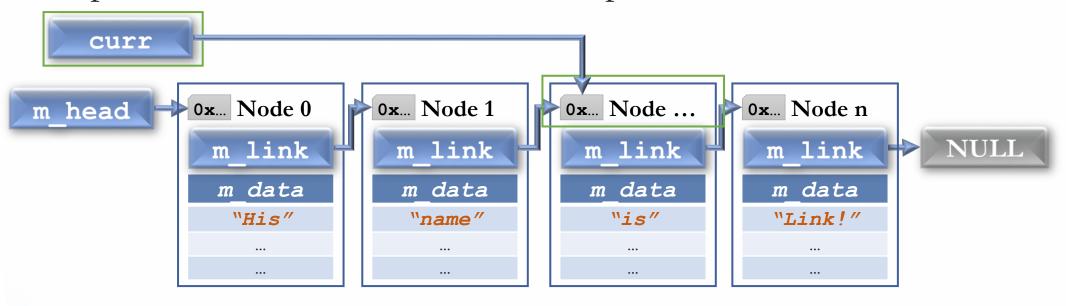
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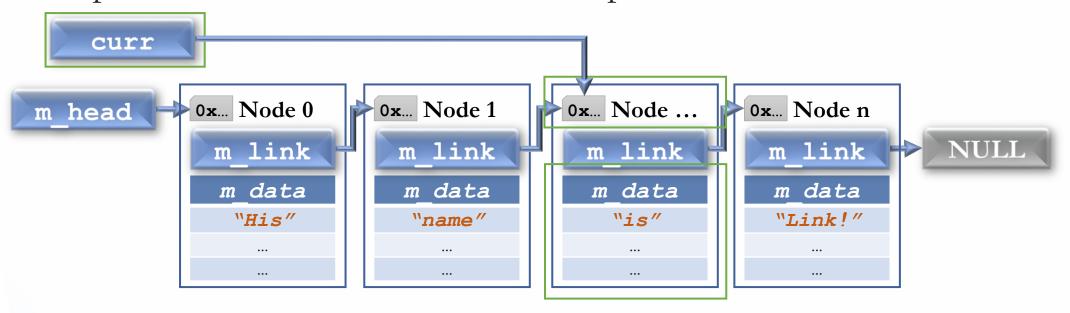
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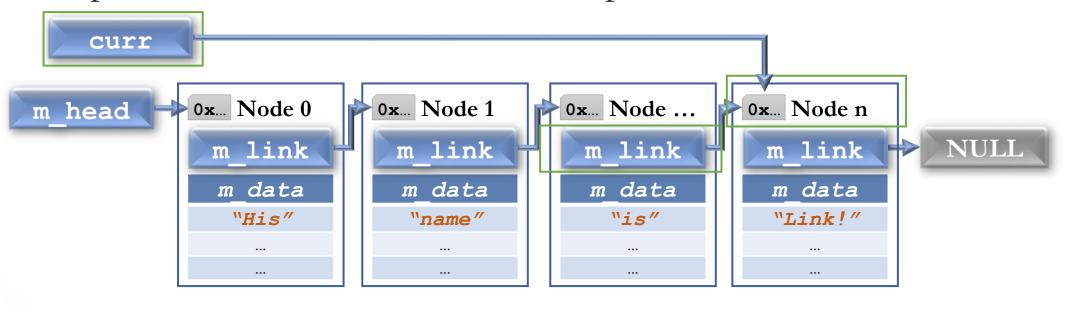


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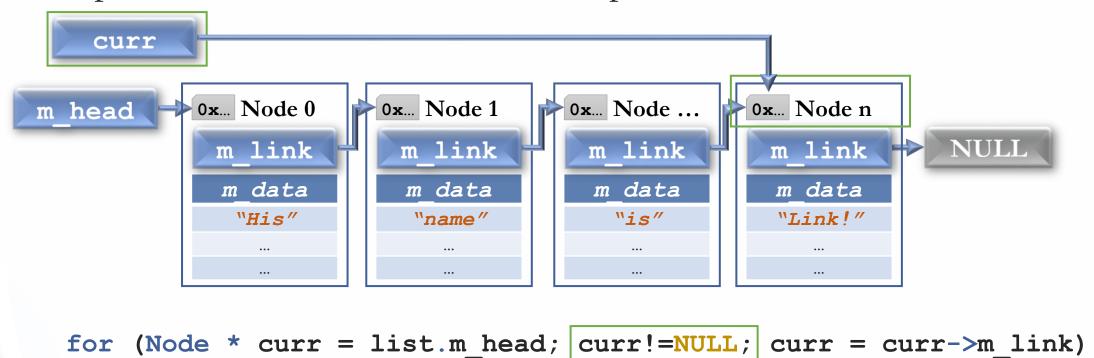
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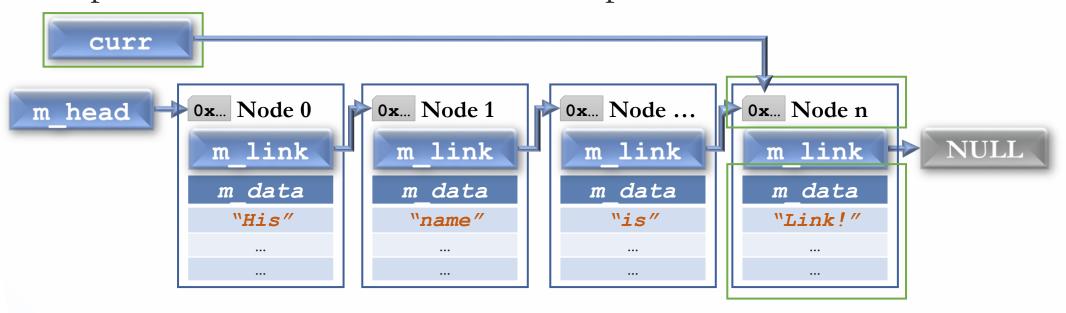
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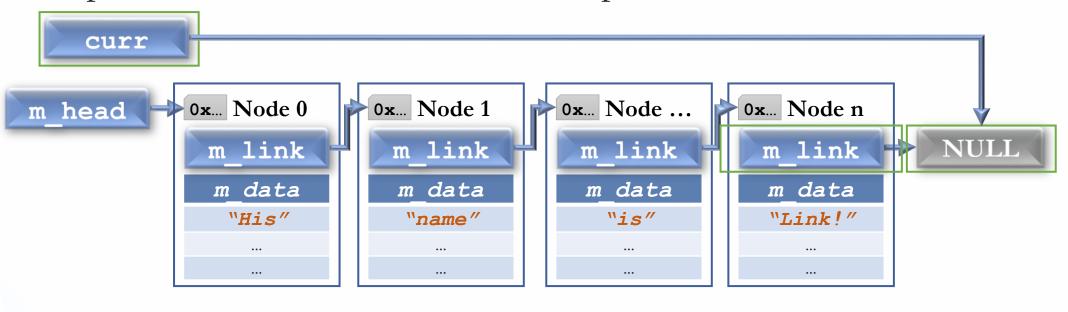


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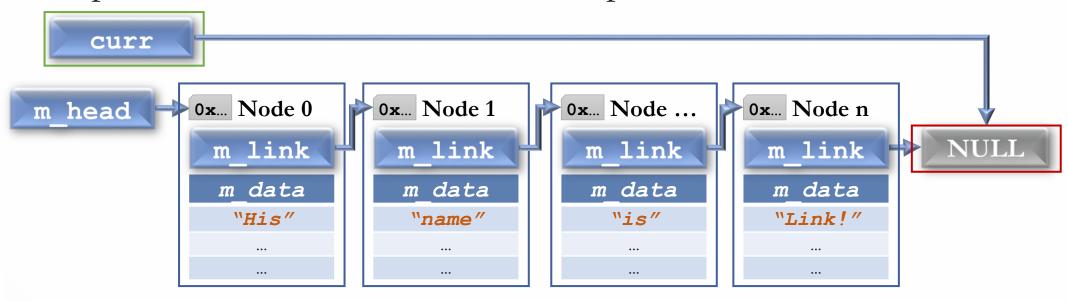
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Output: "His name is Link!"

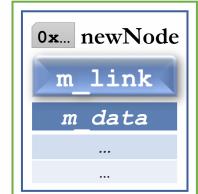
#### **Linked-List Insertion**

There are many ways to insert a new Node into a Linked-List:

- As the new "First" element.
- As the new "Last" element.
- Before a given Node (specified by a reference).
- After a given Node.
- Before a given Value.
- After a given Value.

#### Linked-List Node Insertion

Example: Insert a new Node after another one in the LL.

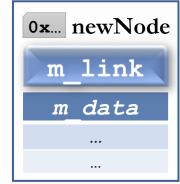


```
curr
m head
             0x... Node 0
                           0x... Node ...
                                          0x... Node k
                                                         0x... Node n
                                                                        NULL
              m link
                             m link
                                            m link
                                                          m link
                             m data
                                            m data
              m data
                                                           m data
```

```
Assume a new'ed Node:
Node * newNode Pt = new Node(...);
```

#### **Linked-List Insertion**

Example: a) Find the Node we want to insert() after.



```
for (Node * curr = list.m_head; curr!=NULL; curr = curr->m_link)
if ( curr->m_data == ... ) { //check to find requested node
```

0x... newNode

m link

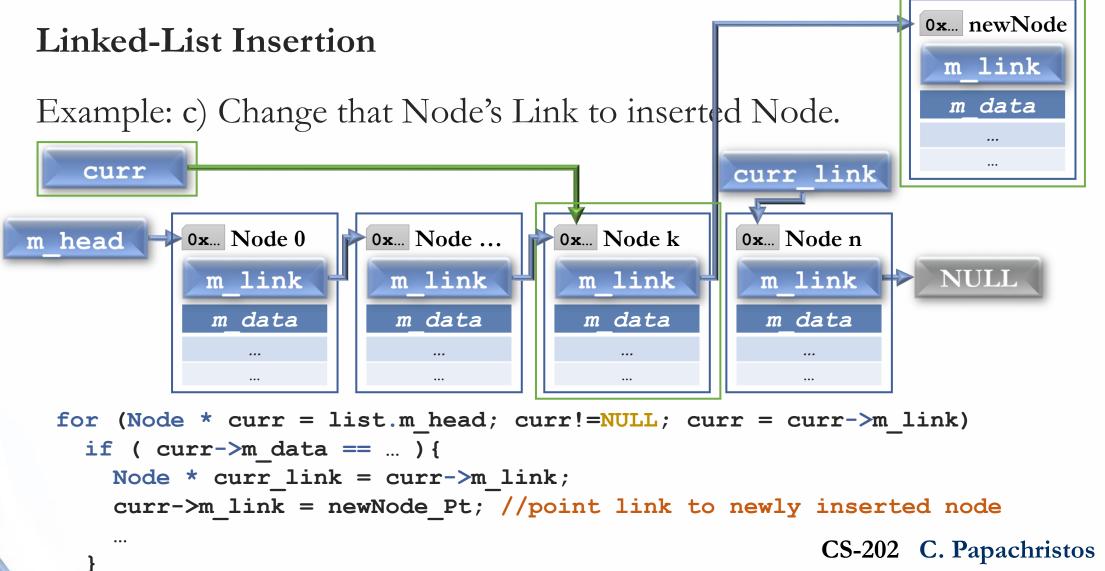
m data

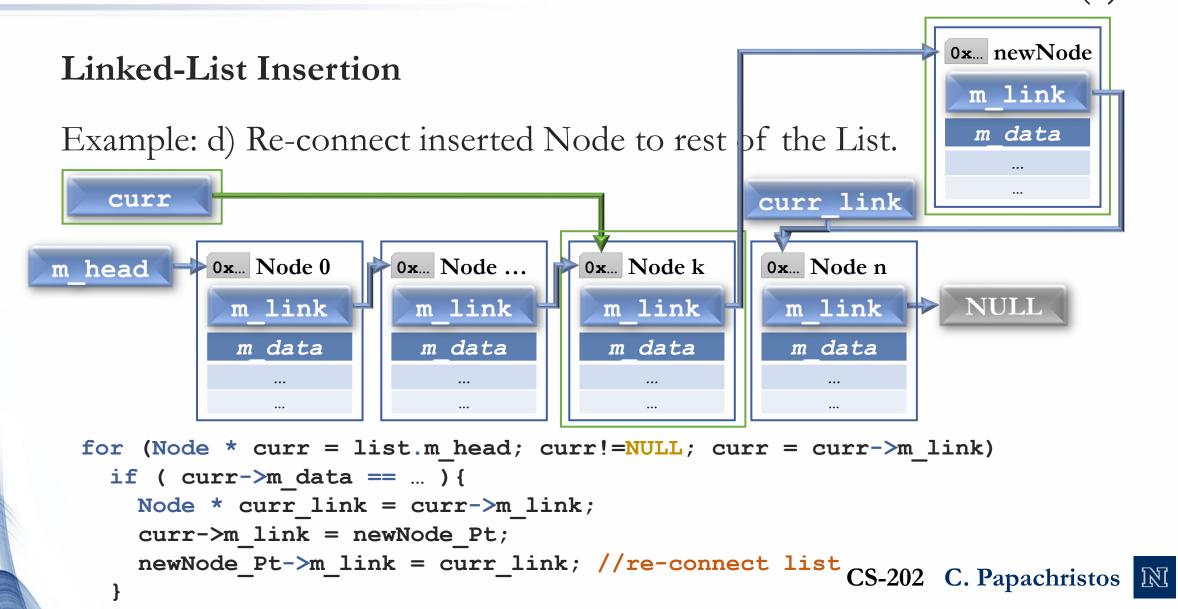
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Example: b) Keep that Node's Link (a copy is just fine).

```
curr link
    curr
            0x... Node 0
                           0x... Node ...
                                          0x... Node k
                                                        0x... Node n
m head
                                                                      NULL
              m link
                            m link
                                           m link
                                                         m link
              m data
                             m data
                                           m data
                                                          m data
```

```
for (Node * curr = list.m_head; curr!=NULL; curr = curr->m_link)
  if ( curr->m_data == ... ) {
    Node * curr_link = curr->m_link; //keep copy of original link
    ...
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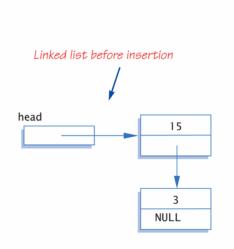


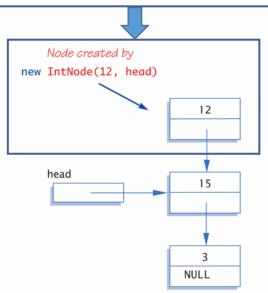
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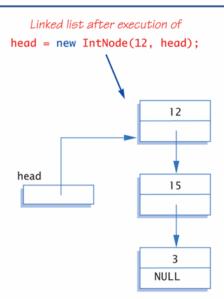
Further Examples: Insert Node to the Head of the LL.

A Node parametrized ctor is assumed that initializes members m\_data and m\_link:

new IntNode (12, list.m head); Creates new node that links to original LL Head.



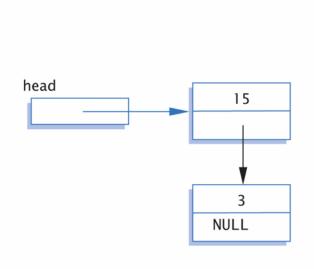


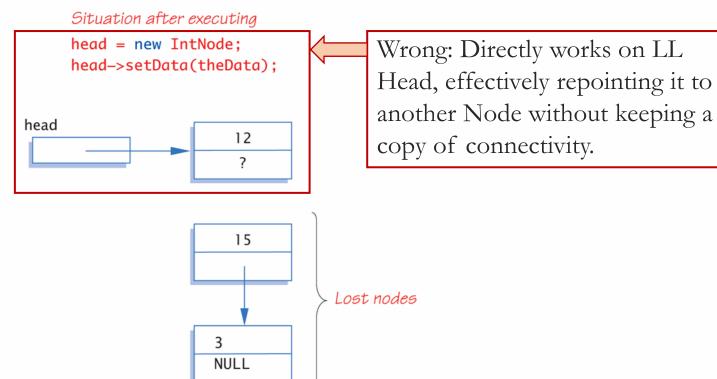


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Linked list before insertion

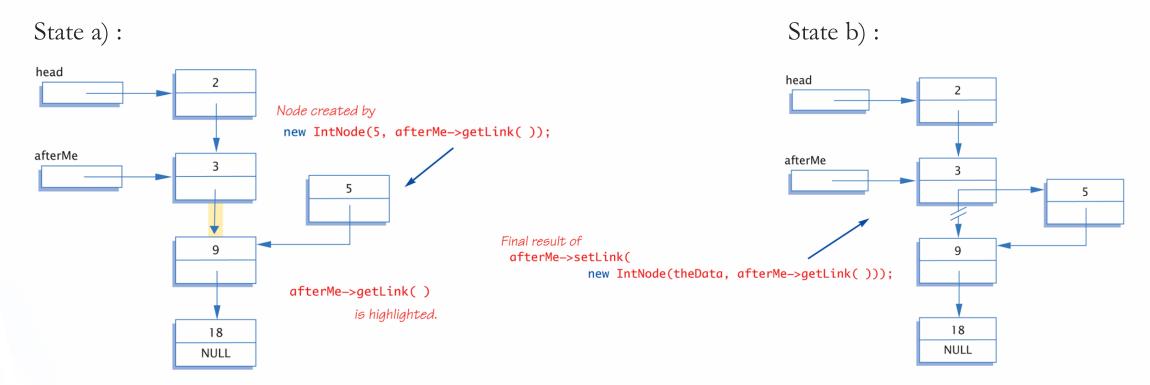
Further Examples: Lost Nodes.





#### **Linked-List Insertion**

Further Examples: Insertion in middle of the LL.



#### **Linked-List Insertion**

To perform LL insertion, control switches are used:

```
class Node {
DataType newData(...);
                                                 Not really necessary.
Node * newNode_Pt = new Node(newData, NULL);
                                                                      public:
                                                        Why?
                                                                      Node();
Node * curr=list.getHead();
                                                                      Node (const DataType & d,
if (curr == NULL) { //check if empty list
                                                                           Node * l=NULL);
 list.setHead(m head) = newNode Pt; //set as first element
                                                                      ~Node();
newNode Pt->setLink(NULL); //(redundant)
                                                                      private:
                                                                      DataType m data;
else{ //traverse non-empty list
                                                                      Node * m link;
 for (Node* curr=list.getHead(); curr!=NULL; curr=curr->getLink()) {
                                                                     };
   if ( curr->getData() ... ) {
     newNode Pt->setLink( curr->getLink() ); //connect to original
     curr->setLink( newNode Pt->getLink() ); //connect to new
```

#### Linked-List Node Deletion

In order to delete a Node from a Linked-List, the Link of its *predecessor* has to change.

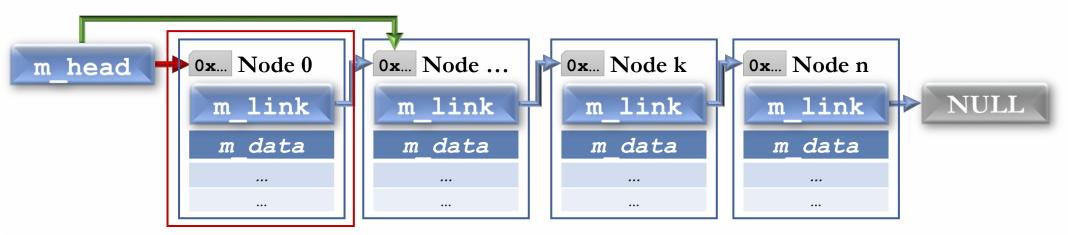
### Slightly tricky:

- Link(s) are Pointers that only point forward (to "Next" Node in the Linked-List), so *predecessor* Node cannot be directly resolved.
- Deleting the "First" Node in a Linked-List is also a special case, as the Node's *predecessor* is the LL Header.

#### Linked-List Node Deletion

To remove the "First" element, change the Head of the LL.

But also be careful to actually **delete** the original element.

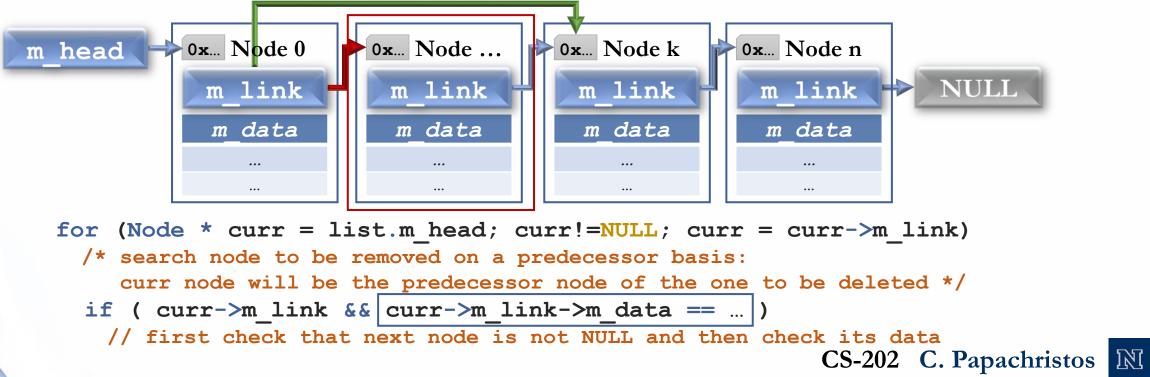


```
Node * head_link = list.m_head; //make copy of original head to delete it after list.m_head = list.m_head->m_link; //point head to next of original head delete head link; //delete original head using the created copy
```

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To remove some other element, change the Link of its *predecessor*.

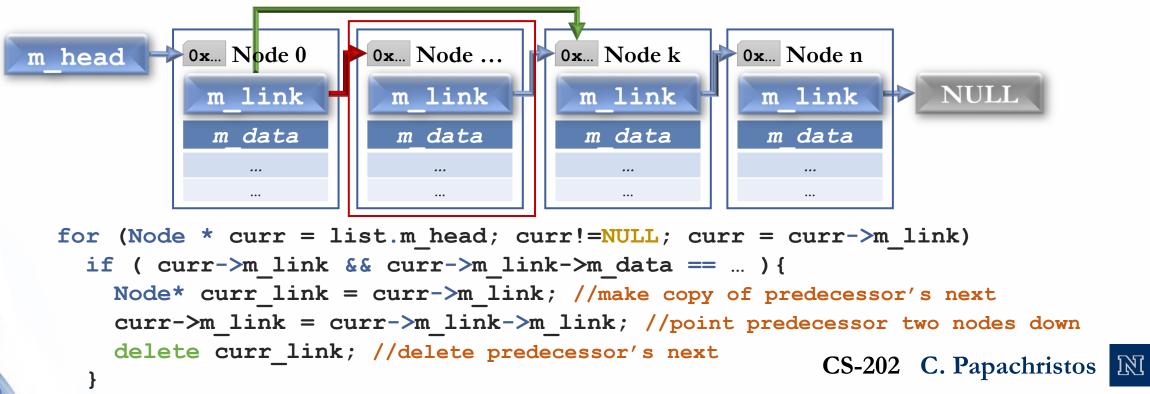
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To remove some other element, change the Link of its *predecessor*.

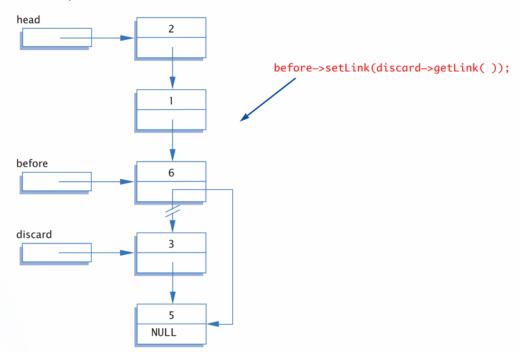
But also be careful to actually **delete** the original element.

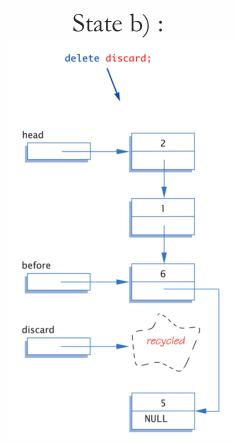


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### Further Examples:

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Implementation involves a function with two arguments:

```
Node * search(Node * head, const DataType & target);
```

#### Precondition:

Pointer head points to Head of LL. Pointer in last node of LL is set to NULL. If list is empty, head is NULL

#### Returns:

- ➤ On success, a pointer to the 1<sup>st</sup> Node found to contain the target (equality checking determined by the specifications of the *DataType* data type.
- > On failure (not found), a NULL pointer.

(Simple traversal of the LL is performed, similarly to array traversal)

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```
Node * search (Node * head, const DataType & target) {
   if (!head) { //empty list
       return NULL; //not found
   Node * curr = head; //initialize list traversal
   while (curr != NULL) {    //check we are not past the last element
       if (curr->getData() == target) { //found
          return curr;
      curr = curr->getLink(); //traverse list
   return NULL; //not found
```

#### Linked-List Overall

To perform LL insertion, control switches are used:

```
class LinkedList {
 public:
   LinkedList();
   LinkedList(size t count, const DataType & value);
   LinkedList(const LinkedList & other);
                       How should this be implemented?
   ~LinkedList();
    DataType * find(const DataType & queryVal);
   void insert(const DataType & insertVal);
   void erase(const DataType & removeVal);
 private:
    Node * m head;
    size t m size; //tentative
};
```

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Time for Questions!