

LINKED LIST

- linear data structure
- each node has its own data and address of next node
- forms a chain like structure

Format

/*

1.Representation of linked List Node in c

```
struct Node{

    //Data Fields
    int a;

    //Pointer Field (Points to the next node)
    struct Node *next;
};
```

2. Creating a Node for a Linked List in C

```
struct Node *node1 = (struct Node *)malloc(sizeof(struct Node));
```

3. Shortening the Node Declaration

```
typedef struct Node{

    //Data Fields
    int a;

    //Pointer Field (Points to the next node)
    struct Node *next;
}Node;

Node *node1 = (Node*) malloc(sizeof(Node));
```

4. Assigning values to the member elements of the Node

```
node1->a = 10;
node1->next = NULL;
```

Eg

```
#include<stdio.h>
#include<stdlib.h>
typedef struct Node{
    int a;
    //pointer to next node
    struct Node *next;
}Node;
int main(){
    //creating first node
    Node *first=(Node*)malloc(sizeof(Node));
    //assigning the data
    first->a=10;
    //creating second node
    Node *second=(Node*)malloc(sizeof(Node));
    //assigning the data
    second->a=20;
```

```
//creating third node
Node *third=(Node*)malloc(sizeof(Node));
//assigning the data
third->a=30;
```

```
/*
    3 nodes are created here
    first      second      third
    10         20         30
```

```
*/
//linking of nodes
first->next=second;
second->next=third;
third->next=NULL;
```

```
/*
    3 nodes are created here
    first  ->  second  ->  third
    10      20      30
```

```
*/
/*traversing from first to third
a.create a temprory pointer of type struct node
temp  first  ->  second  ->  third
    10      20      30
```

```
b.make temp pointer point to first
temp  -> first  ->  second  ->  third
    10      20      30
```

```
c.move the temp pointer from first to third node for printing entire linked list
loop
loop !=NULL
```

```
*/
Node *temp;
temp=first;
while(temp !=NULL){
    printf("%d->",temp->a);
    temp=temp->next;
}
return 0;
```

```
}
```

```
-----
#include<stdio.h>
```

```
#include<stdlib.h>
```

```
typedef struct Node{
```

```
    int a;
```

```
    //pointer to next node
```

```
    struct Node *next;
```

```
}Node;
```

```
Node* createNode(int);//pointer function is used since each function call returns the address
```

```
int main(){
```

```
    //10->>null
```

```
    Node *first=createNode(10);
```

```
//10->20->null
first->next=createNode(20);
//10->20->30->null
first->next->next=createNode(30);
```

```
Node *temp=first;
while(temp!=NULL){
    printf("%d->",temp->a);
    temp=temp->next;
}
return 0;
```

```
Node *createNode(int a){
    Node *newNode=(Node*)malloc(sizeof(Node));
    newNode->a=a;
    //initially assigning the next field of newly created node to NULL
    newNode->next=NULL;
    return newNode;
```

```
}
```

create a node in a linked list which will have the following details of student 1. Name, roll number, class, section, an array having marks of any three subjects Create a linked list for 5 students and print it.

```
#include<stdio.h>
#include<stdlib.h>
typedef struct Node{
    char name[20];
    int roll;
    int class;
    char section;
    int marks[3];
    struct Node *next;
}NODE;
NODE* create_node();
int main(){
    NODE *first=create_node();
    first->next=create_node();
    first->next->next=create_node();
    // first->next->next->next=create_node();
    // first->next->next->next->next=create_node();
    NODE *temp=first;
    while(temp!=NULL){
        printf("name\t|roll\t|class\t|section\n");
        printf("%s\t| %d\t| %d\t| %c\n",temp->name,temp->roll,temp->class,temp->section);
        printf("maths marks\t|physics marks\t|chem marks\n");
        printf("%d\t| %d\t| %d\n",temp->marks[0],temp->marks[1],temp->marks[2]);
        printf("-----\n");
        temp=temp->next;
    }
    return 0;
}
NODE *create_node(){
    NODE *newNode=(NODE*)malloc(sizeof(NODE));
    printf("enter the name of student:");
```

```

scanf("%[^\\n]",newNode->name);
printf("enter the roll no of student:");
scanf("%d",&newNode->roll);
printf("enter the class of student:");
scanf("%d",&newNode->class);
printf("enter the section of student:");
scanf(" %c",&newNode->section);
printf("enter marks of 3 subject\\n");
printf("enter mark of maths:");
scanf("%d",&newNode->marks[0]);
printf("enter mark of physics:");
scanf("%d",&newNode->marks[1]);
printf("enter mark of chem:");
scanf("%d",&newNode->marks[2]);
newNode->next=NULL;
return newNode;
}

```

```

-----
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
typedef struct node{
    int data;
    struct node *next;
}Node;

```

//Function with dual purpose: Creating a new node also adding a new node at the beginning

```
void InsertFront(Node** ,int );
```

```
void InsertMiddle(Node *, int, int);
```

//Function with dual purpose: Creating a new node also adding a new node at the end

```
void InsertEnd(Node**, int);
```

```
void printList(Node*);
```

```
int main(){
```

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

```
    InsertEnd(&head, 6);
```

```
    InsertEnd(&head, 1);
```

```
    InsertEnd(&head, 5);
```

```
    InsertFront(&head, 7 );
```

```
    InsertFront(&head, 10 );
```

```
    printf("Initial list:\\n");
```

```
    printList(head);
```

```
    printf("\\nAfter inserting 15 at position 3:\\n");
```

```
    InsertMiddle(head, 15, 3); // Insert 15 at position 3
```

```
    printList(head);
```

```
    return 0;
```

```
}
```

```
void InsertEnd(Node** ptrHead, int nData){
```

```
    //1.Creating a Node
```

```
    Node* new_node=(Node *)malloc(sizeof(Node));
```

```
    //1.1 Create one more pointer which will point to the last element of the linked list
```

```
    Node* ptrTail;
```

```
    ptrTail = *ptrHead;
```

```
    //2.Enter nData
```

```
    new_node->data = nData;
```

```
    //3. we have to make the next field as NULL
```

```
    new_node->next = NULL;
```

```
    //4. If the linked list is empty make ptrHead point to thge new node created
```

```
    if(*ptrHead == NULL){
```

```
        *ptrHead = new_node;
```

```

return;
}
//5. else Traverse till the last node and insert the new node at the end
while(ptrTail->next != NULL){
    //5.1 MOve the ptrTail pinter till the end
    ptrTail = ptrTail->next;
}
ptrTail->next = new_node;
return;
}

void InsertFront(Node** ptrHead,int nData){
    //1. Create a New Node
    Node* new_node = (Node*)malloc(sizeof(Node));
    //2. Assign Data to the new Node
    new_node->data = nData;
    //3. Make the new node point to the first node of the linked list
    new_node->next = (*ptrHead);
    //4. Assign a the address of new Node to ptrHead
    (*ptrHead) = new_node;
}

void printList(Node* node){
    while (node != NULL){
        printf("%d ->",node->data);
        node = node->next;
    }
}

// Insert a node in the middle at a specified position
void InsertMiddle(Node *head, int nData, int position) {
    Node *new_node = (Node *)malloc(sizeof(Node));
    new_node->data = nData;

    // Handle special case: insert at position 1 (equivalent to InsertFront)
    if (position == 1) {
        new_node->next = head;
        head = new_node;
        return;
    }

    Node *current = head;
    int count = 1;

    // Traverse to the node just before the target position
    while (current != NULL && count < position - 1) {
        current = current->next;
        count++;
    }

    // If the position is invalid (greater than the length of the list), do nothing
    if (current == NULL) {
        printf("Position %d is out of range.\n", position);
        free(new_node);
        return;
    }

    // Insert the new node
    new_node->next = current->next;
    current->next = new_node;
}

```

Problem 1: Reverse a Linked List

Write a C program to reverse a singly linked list. The program should traverse the list, reverse the pointers between the nodes, and display the reversed list.

Requirements:

1. Define a function to reverse the linked list iteratively.
2. Update the head pointer to the new first node.
3. Display the reversed list.

Example Input:

rust

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Initial list: 10 -> 20 -> 30 -> 40

Example Output:

rust

Copy code

Reversed list: 40 -> 30 -> 20 -> 10

```
#include <stdio.h>
```

```
#include <stdlib.h>
```

```
typedef struct node {
```

```
    int data;
```

```
    struct node *next;
```

```
} Node;
```

```
void InsertEnd(Node **, int);
```

```
void printList(Node *);
```

```
void reverseList(Node **);
```

```
int main() {
```

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

```
    InsertEnd(&head, 10);
```

```
    InsertEnd(&head, 20);
```

```
    InsertEnd(&head, 30);
```

```
    InsertEnd(&head, 40);
```

```
    printf("Initial list:\n");
```

```
    printList(head);
```

```
    reverseList(&head);
```

```
    // Display the reversed list
```

```
    printf("\nReversed list:\n");
```

```
    printList(head);
```

```
    return 0;
```

```
}
```

```
void InsertEnd(Node **ptrHead, int nData) {
```

```
    Node *new_node = (Node *)malloc(sizeof(Node));
```

```
    new_node->data = nData;
```

```
    new_node->next = NULL;
```

```
if (*ptrHead == NULL) {
    *ptrHead = new_node;
    return;
}

Node *ptrTail = *ptrHead;
while (ptrTail->next != NULL) {
    ptrTail = ptrTail->next;
}
ptrTail->next = new_node;
}
```

```
void printList(Node *node) {
    while (node != NULL) {
        printf("%d -> ", node->data);
        node = node->next;
    }
    printf("NULL\n");
}
```

```
void reverseList(Node **head) {
    Node *prev = NULL, *current = *head, *next = NULL;

    while (current != NULL) {

        next = current->next;

        current->next = prev;

        prev = current;
        current = next;
    }
    *head = prev;
}
```

Problem 2: Find the Middle Node

Write a C program to find and display the middle node of a singly linked list. If the list has an even number of nodes, display the first middle node.

Requirements:

1. Use two pointers: one moving one step and the other moving two steps.
2. When the faster pointer reaches the end, the slower pointer will point to the middle node.

Example Input:

rust

Copy code

List: 10 -> 20 -> 30 -> 40 -> 50

Example Output:

scss

Copy code

Middle node: 30

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
typedef struct node {
    int data;
    struct node *next;
} Node;
void InsertEnd(Node **, int);
void printList(Node *);
void findMiddle(Node *);
```

```
int main() {
    InsertEnd(&head, 10);
    InsertEnd(&head, 20);
    InsertEnd(&head, 30);
    InsertEnd(&head, 40);
    InsertEnd(&head, 50);
    printf("List:\n");
    printList(head);

    findMiddle(head);

    return 0;
}
```

```
void InsertEnd(Node **ptrHead, int nData) {
    Node *new_node = (Node *)malloc(sizeof(Node));
    new_node->data = nData;
    new_node->next = NULL;

    if (*ptrHead == NULL) {
        *ptrHead = new_node;
        return;
    }
```

```
    Node *ptrTail = *ptrHead;
    while (ptrTail->next != NULL) {
        ptrTail = ptrTail->next;
    }
    ptrTail->next = new_node;
}
```

```
void printList(Node *node) {
    while (node != NULL) {
        printf("%d -> ", node->data);
        node = node->next;
    }
    printf("NULL\n");
}
```

```
void findMiddle(Node *head) {
    if (head == NULL) {
        printf("List is empty.\n");
        return;
    }
```



```
Node *slow = head;
Node *fast = head;

while (fast != NULL && fast->next != NULL) {
    slow = slow->next;
    fast = fast->next->next;
}

printf("Middle node: %d\n", slow->data);
}
```

Problem 3: Detect and Remove a Cycle in a Linked List

Write a C program to detect if a cycle (loop) exists in a singly linked list and remove it if present. Use Floyd’s Cycle Detection Algorithm (slow and fast pointers) to detect the cycle.

Requirements:

- 1. Detect the cycle in the list.
- 2. If a cycle exists, find the starting node of the cycle and break the loop.
- 3. Display the updated list.

Example Input:

rust
Copy code
List: 10 -> 20 -> 30 -> 40 -> 50 -> (points back to 30)

Example Output:

rust
Copy code
Cycle detected and removed.
Updated list: 10 -> 20 -> 30 -> 40 -> 50