# LINKED LISTS

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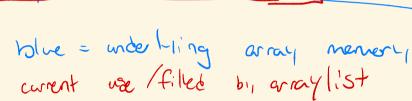
### **RECALL: ARRAYS**

- Single chunk of memory underneath
- Access with arrname [i]
- Good for:
  - direct access/modification of elements at certain index
- Bad at:
  - inserting/deleting: need to shift and
    potentially get new array

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#### **ARRAYLIST**

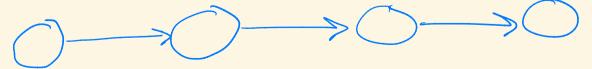
- A higher level list implementation underneath
  - uses arrays
- Convenient
- Efficient for:



- accessing / setting value at index O(1)
- adding elements to the end typically O(1), sometimes O(n)
- Not efficient for:
  - adding in middle O(n)
  - removing O(n)

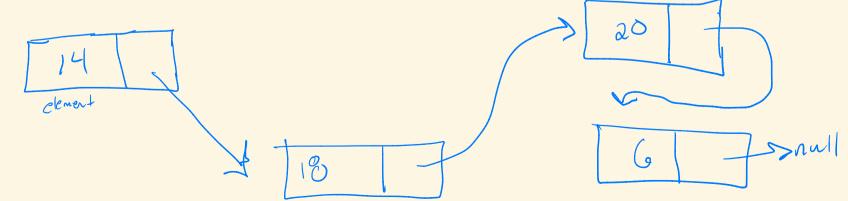
#### **LINKED LIST**

- Data structure
- A list
  - Supports things like get, add, insert, remove, etc.
- Different underlying implementation
  - collection of nodes that are "linked" together
  - forms a sequence of elements



#### **LINKED LIST - NODE**

- Object
- Single value in list
- Stores
  - element
  - reference to next node (self-referential)

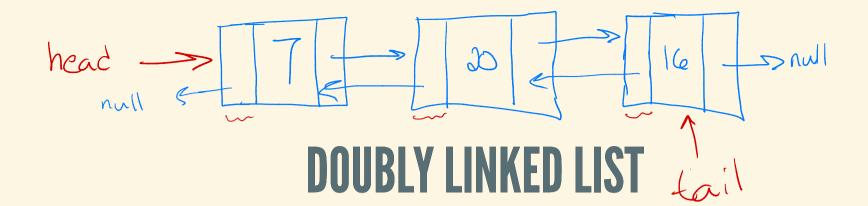




- Sometimes a separate class from node
- head reference to first Node in list
  - adding to start is O(1)
- tail (optional) reference to last node in list
  - makes adding to from end O(1)

## LINKED LIST (CONT.)

- downside:
  - access is inefficient (must traverse)
  - extra memory (store pointer to next for each node)



- Modification
  - Node has additional reference to previous
- Advantages
  - remove (Node n1) more efficient (no need to traverse)
  - fast removal from end