

CSN 102: DATA STRUCTURES

Linked List: List, Dynamic Memory Allocation, SLL,
Polynomial Addition, Sparse Matrices, Circular LL

Abstract Data Type (ADT)

- An Abstract Data Type is:
 - Set of values
 - Set of operations which can be uniformly applied to these values
 - Set of Axioms

What is List?

- Countable number of ordered values
- Each occurrence of a value is a distinct item
- Implemented differently in different programming languages
- Linked list is an implementation of list

List Abstract Data Type

- List ADT has:
 - Values based on what type of data list stores
 - Main operations:
 - `new()` : creates a new list
 - `prepend(L, key)`: add element key to front of list L
 - `append(L, key)`: add element key to end of list L
 - `remove(L, key)`: removes element key from list L
 - `search(L, key)`: find location of element key in L
 - `head(L)`: returns the first object in L
 - `isEmpty(L)`: checks whether list L is empty or not
 - Axioms:
 - Based on implementation

Drawbacks with Array

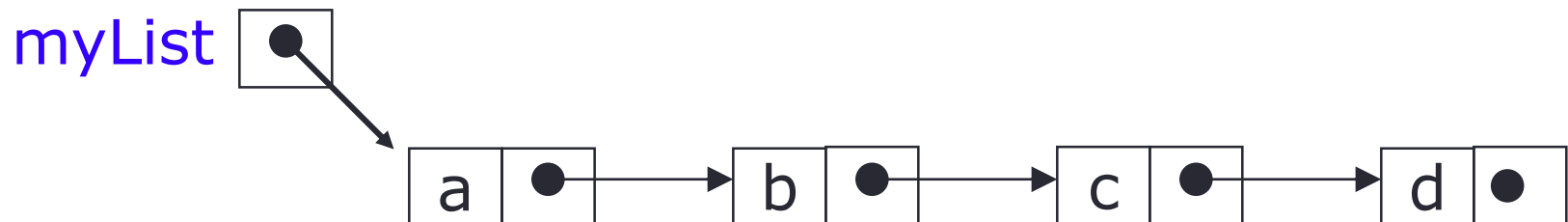
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Drawbacks with Array

- Is array also a list?
 - Yes, certainly.
- Problem: An array has a limited number of elements
 - Routines inserting a new value have to check that there is room
- Solution: Multiple solutions exist
 - Increase the size of array with some constant each time array is full
 - Double the size of array each time array is full
 - Use Linked List data structure

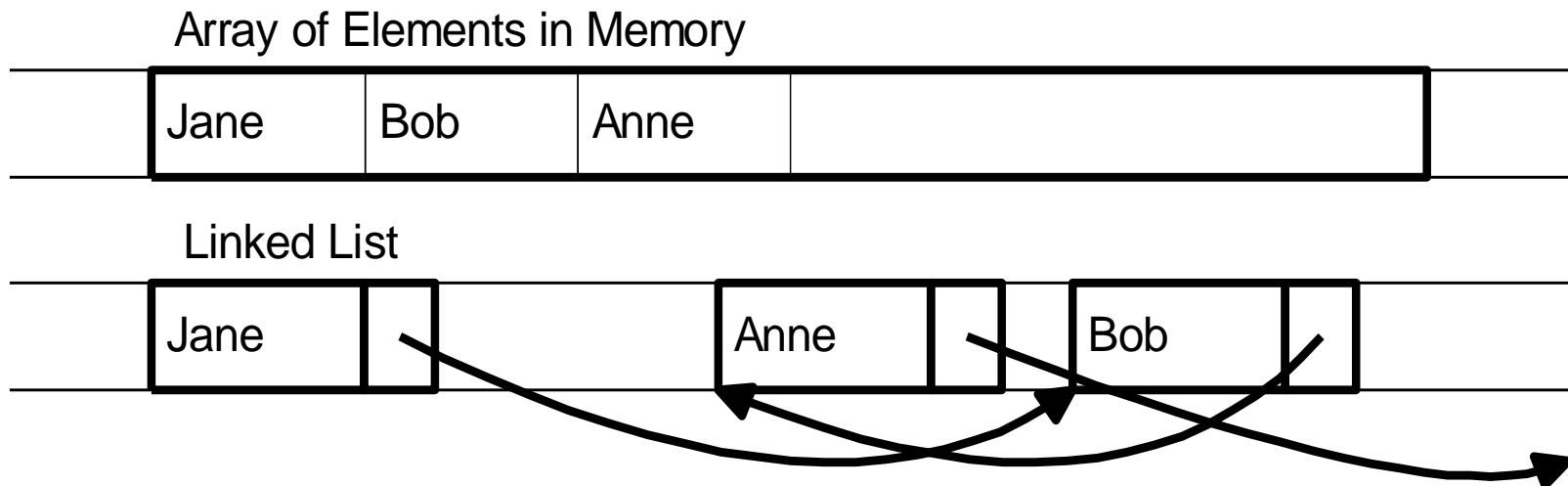
Linked List(LL)

- Nodes stores the data/values
- Sequence of nodes; each node points to next node in list
- Add node dynamically when required
- Can store infinite data until memory of system is exhausted
- LL might have a header to start node. Eg. [myList](#)
- Last node contains a null link



Dynamic Memory Allocation(1)

- Allocate memory to elements one at a time as needed, have each element keep track of the *next* element
- Result is referred to as linked list of elements, track next element with a pointer



Dynamic Memory Allocation(2)

- malloc(total_size) and calloc(count, size_of_one_block) are two functions for dynamic memory allocation
- Both returns a void pointer to start of memory is returned if allocated, else NULL is returned
- calloc initialize memory block with 0 but slower then malloc
- TypeCast void pointer to use memory as required data type

- `int *ptr = (int*)malloc(10*sizeof(int))`

Typecast to int pointer

Finds size of input data type

- `int *ptr = (int*)calloc(10,sizeof(int))`

malloc & variable length array

- Similarity: Both `int arr[size]` and `malloc()` allocates memory of dynamic size
- Difference: Memory allocated by `int arr[size]` is limited by the scope in which it is defined while `malloc()` allocated memory is accessible throughout the program

More Terminology

- A node's **successor** is the next node in the sequence
 - The last node has no successor
- A node's **predecessor** is the previous node in the sequence
 - The first node has no predecessor
- A list's **length** is the number of elements in it
 - A list may be **empty** (contain no elements)
- Linked list in context of C are sometime referred as List
- Until not specified, linked list refers to Singly-Linked List

Creating a (Singly) Linked List

- **Type declaration:**

```
typedef struct ESTRUCT {  
    DataType data; /*DataType is type for element of list */  
    struct ESTRUCT *next; /*Pointer to struct ESTRUCT*/  
} Estruct ;  
typedef struct ESTRUCT * Eptr;
```

- **Pointer to node:**

```
struct ESTRUCT *ListStart;  
Estruct *ListStruct;  
EPtr ListStart;
```

Create LL with 3 Nodes

```
void main() {           /*Assume data is int*/
    Estruct first, second, third;
    first.data = 5;
    first.next = &second;
    second.data = 9;
    second.next = &third;
    third.data = 6;
    third.next = NULL;
    Eptr ListStart = &first;
}
```

Deletion in LL

- Delete a node from the LL from previous implementation
- Delete first node
 - Set header to point second node
 - `ListStart=&second;`
- Delete from middle
 - Set previous node to point node next to middle
 - `first.next = &third;`
- Delete Last node
 - Set pointer of second last node to point NULL
 - `second.next = NULL;`

Issue with Implementation

- Above strategy for node creation will work in main function
- What would happen if we create a node in some function other than main?
 - Could not be accessible by other functions as limited by scope
- Solution: use dynamic memory allocation

LL with 3 nodes (dynamic)

```
void main() {           /*assume data is int */  
    Eptr ListStart = NULL; /*safe to give a legal value*/
```

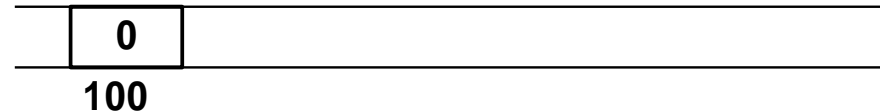
Pictorially

ListStart



In Memory

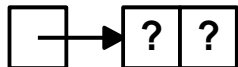
ListStart



```
ListStart = (Eptr)malloc(sizeof(Estruct));
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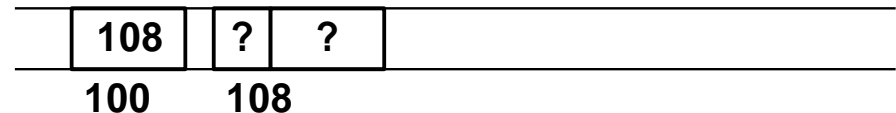
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/* ListStart points to memory allocated at location 108 */
```

ListStart



Data Next

ListStart *Data* *Next*



```
}
```

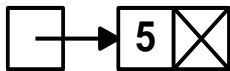

LL with 3 nodes (dynamic)

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ListStart->data = 5;
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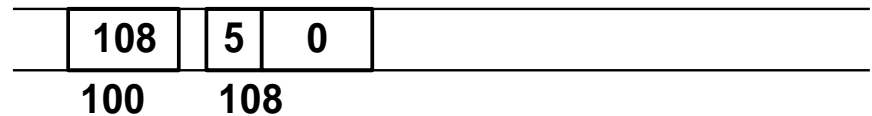
*/*ListStart->data is equivalent to (*ListStart).data */*

```
ListStart->next = NULL;
```

ListStart



ListStart

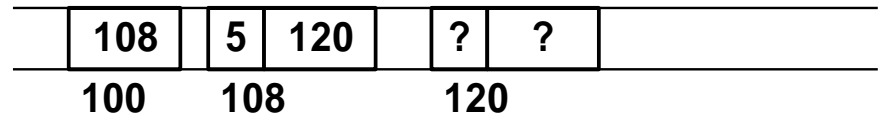


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ListStart->next = (Eptr)malloc(sizeof(Estruct));
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ListStart



ListStart



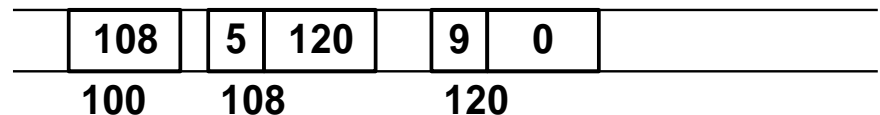
```
ListStart->next->data = 9;
```

```
ListStart->next->next = NULL;
```

ListStart



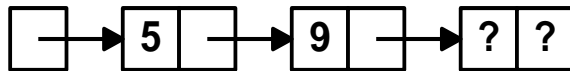
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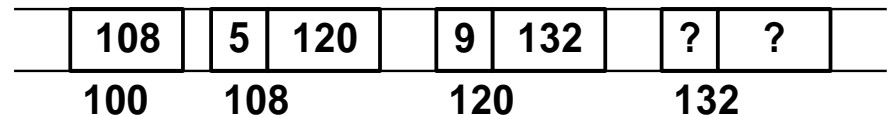
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ListStart



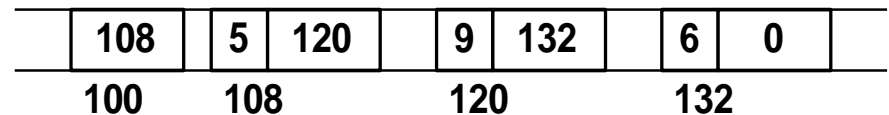
```
ListStart->next->next->data = 6;
```

```
ListStart->next->next->next = NULL;
```

ListStart



ListStart



/ Linked list of 3 elements (count data values):*

ListStart points to first element

ListStart->next points to second element

ListStart->next->next points to third element

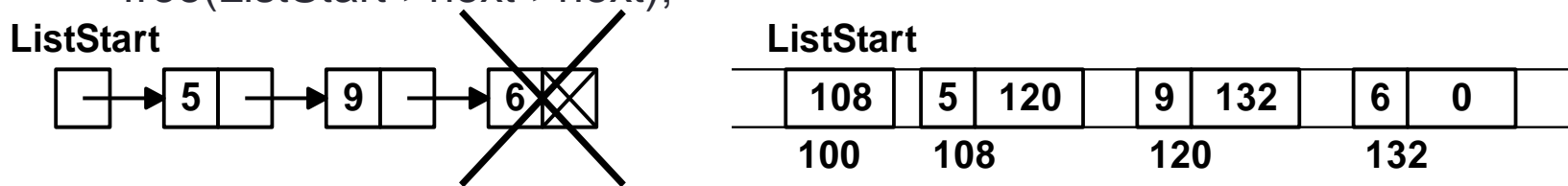
*and ListStart->next->next->next is NULL to indicate there is no fourth element */*

Deletion from LL(dynamic)

- Delete from LL in dynamic implementation strategy
- Delete 6 from the previous list

/ To eliminate element, start with free operation */*

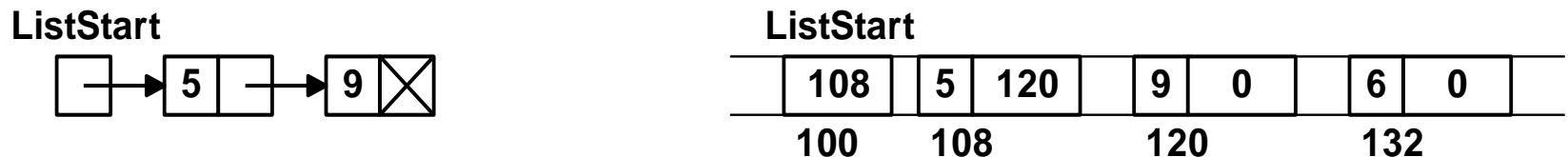
`free(ListStart->next->next);`



/ NOTE: free not enough -- does not change memory*

*Element still appears to be in list but C might give memory away in next request. Need to reset the pointer to NULL */*

`ListStart->next->next = NULL;`



/ Element at 132 no longer part of list (safe to reuse memory) */*

Common Mistakes

- Dereferencing a NULL pointer
 - `ListStart = NULL;`
 - `ListStart->data = 5; /* ERROR */`
- Using a freed element
 - `free(ListStart->next);`
 - `ListStart->next->data = 6; /* PROBLEM */`
- sUsing a pointer before set
 - `ListStart = (EPtr) malloc(sizeof(EStruct));`
 - `ListStart->next->data = 7; /* ERROR */`

LL Using Functions

- Certain linked list operations (init, insert, etc.) may change element at start of list (what ListStart points at)
- To change what ListStart points to could pass a pointer to ListStart (pointer to pointer)
- Alternately, in each such routine/function, always return a pointer to ListStart and set ListStart to the result of function call (if ListStart doesn't change it doesn't hurt)
- pseudocode:

```
    Eptr <function_name>(<input_parameters>) {  
        <some_processing>  
        return <pointer_to_struct>  
    }
```

Initialization of LL

- Create an empty linked list pointing to null
- Return a header pointer

```
EpPtr initializeLL () {  
    return NULL;  
}
```

```
main() {  
    EpPtr ListStart = initializeLL();  
}
```

Create New Node

- Each time function is called, dynamically create a node and return pointer to it
- Pass element and address to be stored

```
Eptr newNode (DataType ndata, Eptr nnext) {  
    Eptr newN = (Eptr) malloc(sizeof(Estruct)); /*new node*/  
    newN->data = ndata; /*set data of new node to ndata*/  
    newN->next = nnext; /*set next of new node to nnext*/  
  
    return newN; /*return pointer to new node*/  
}
```

Insertion in Linked List

- Involves two step:
 - Finding the correct position
 - Doing the work to add the node
- Three possible positions:
 - Front
 - End
 - Somewhere in the middle

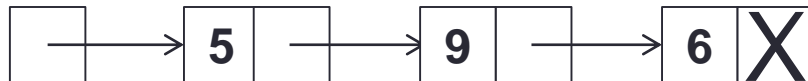
Insertion in Linked List (Front)

- Finding the correct location
 - No work required as already known
 - Irrespective of list is empty or not, header will always point to correct location

Insertion in Linked List (Front)

- Add new node to list
 - Save element in data field of new node

ListStart



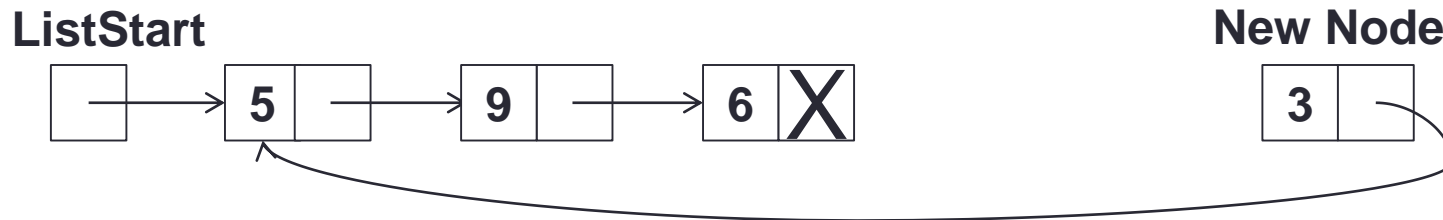
New Node



```
Eptr insertF(Eptr start, DataType nData) {  
    return newNode(ndata, start);  
}
```

Insertion in Linked List (Front)

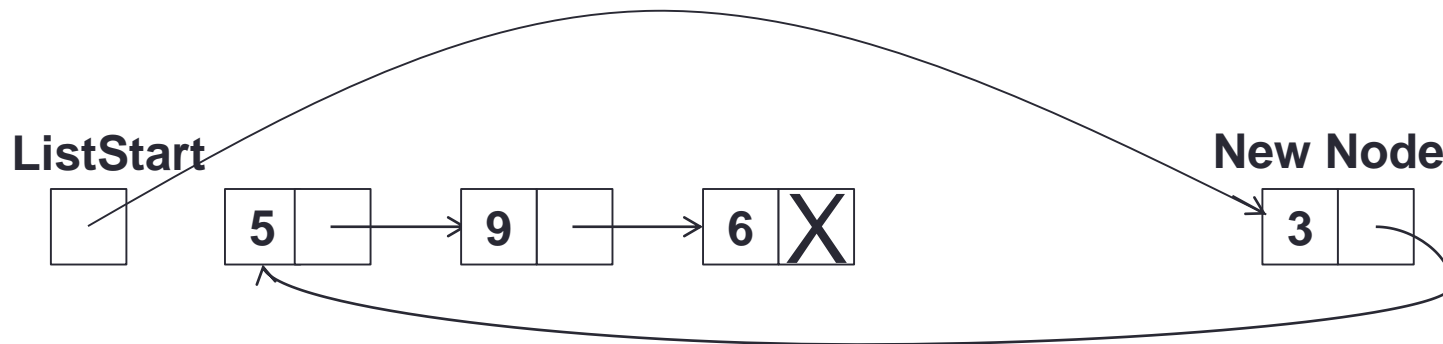
- Add new node to list
 - Save element in data field of new node
 - Make new node's next pointer to point start of existing list



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}
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Insertion in Linked List (Front)

- Add new node to list
 - Save element in data field of new node
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- Make start of list point to new node in main
`ListStart = insertF(ListStart, ndata);`

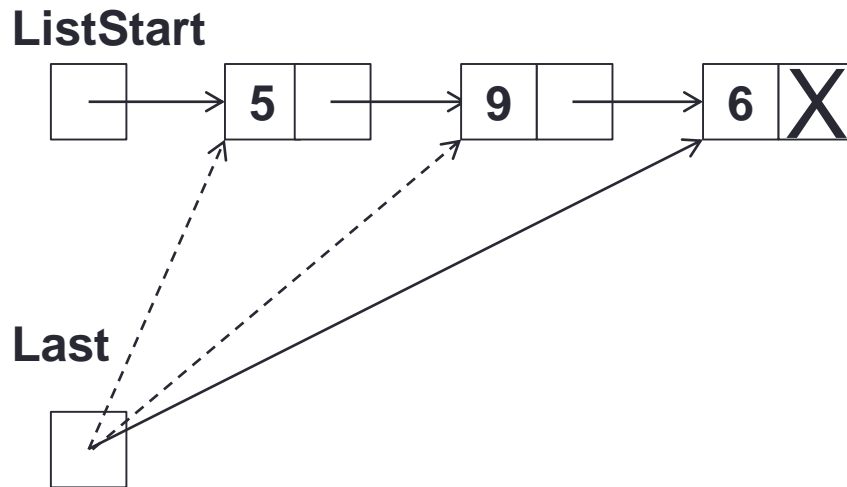
Insertion in Linked List (End)

- Finding the correct location
 - Need a “walker” to “walk” down the list till end is reached

```
Eptr insertE(Eptr start, dataType ndata) {  
    Eptr last = start; /*last is walker variable*/  
    if (last == NULL) /*list is empty, add at start*/  
        return newNode(ndata, NULL);  
    else {  
        while (last->next != NULL) /*find last node*/  
            last = last->next;  
        last->next = newNode(ndata, NULL);  
        return start; /*start doesn't change*/  
    }  
}
```

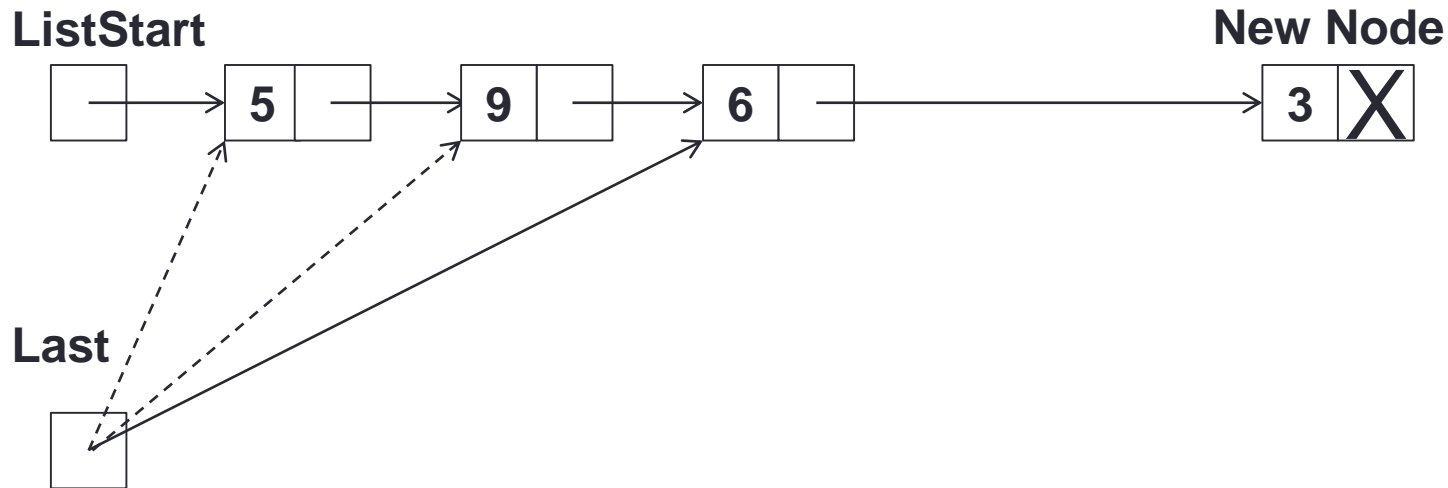
Insertion in Linked List (End)

- Find last of list



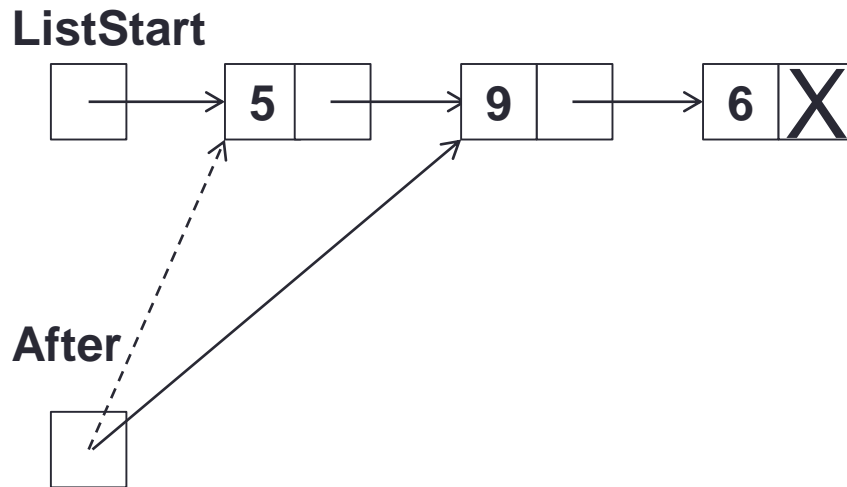
Insertion in Linked List (End)

- Find last of list
- Add new node to list
 - Save element in data field of new node
 - Save NULL in next field of new node
 - Make last node's next pointer to point new node



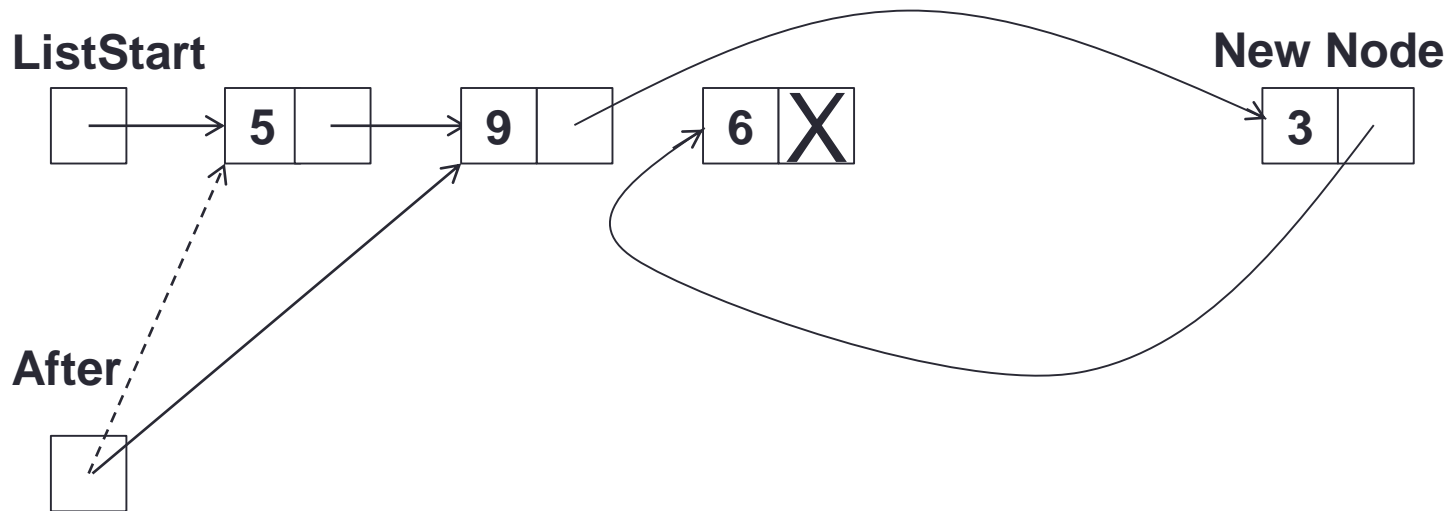
Insertion in Linked List (Between)

- Find the node you want to insert after



Insertion in Linked List (Between)

- Find the node you want to insert after
- Add new node to list
 - Save element in data field of new node
 - Save address of following node in next field of new node
 - Save address of new node in “after” node



Print a Linked List

- Use a “walker” to examine list from start to end

```
void printList(Eptr start) {  
    Eptr temp = start;  /*temp is walker variable*/  
    while (temp != NULL) {  
        print(temp->data);  
        temp = temp->next;  
    }  
}
```

- Why we need “walker” when we already have “start”?
 - Try to avoid start, could be required later in the function

Search in Linked List

- Compare every element in list; return pointer to node if found else return NULL

```
EpPtr findE(EpPtr start, dataType findData) {  
    EpPtr findP = start; /*walker*/  
    while(findP != NULL && findP->next != findData)  
        findP = findP->next;  
    return findP;  
}
```

- Can we perform binary search given elements are sorted?

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    return findP;  
}
```

- Can we perform binary search given elements are sorted?
 - Yes, but the performance will be similar to linear search

Search in Linked List

- Search 9

ListStart



findP



- Search 4

ListStart



findP



Deletion in Linked List

- Involves two steps:
 - Find the node to be deleted
 - Change its predecessor to point its successor
- Deletion from front
 - Change header to point to second node
- Deletion from elsewhere
 - Change predecessor to point successor

Deletion in Linked List (Front)

- Change the header to point to second node.
- Set first node free

```
EpPtr deleteF(EpPtr start) {  
    EpPtr temp = start;  
    temp = temp->next;  
    free(start);  
    return temp;  
}
```

- Set start to returned pointer after deletion
ListStart = deleteF(ListStart);

Deletion in Linked List (Except Front)

- Change the predecessor to point to successor
- Set deleted node free

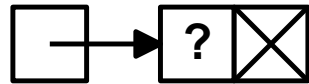
```
Eptr deleteA(Eptr start, Eptr after) {  
    Eptr temp = after;  
    temp->next = temp->next->next;  
    free(after);  
    return start;  
}
```


Linked List Variation: Dummy Head Node

Using "dummy" first (head) node:

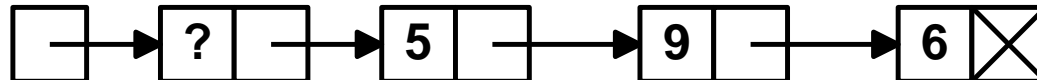
Empty linked list

ListStart



Sample list:

ListStart



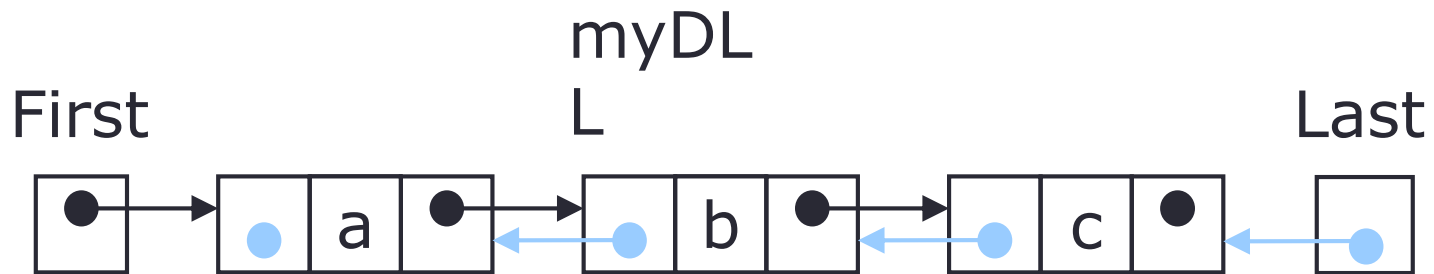
- Why?
 - No special case for inserting/deleting at beginning
 - Header (ListStart) does not change after it is initialized
- Disadvantage
 - cost of one extra element

Linked List Variation: Sorted List

- Idea: Keep the items on the list in a sorted order
- sort based on data value in each node
- Advantages:
 - already sorted
 - operations such as delete, find, etc. need not search to the end of the list if the item is not in list
- Disadvantages
 - insert must search for the right place to add element (slower than simply adding at beginning)

Doubly Linked List

- Each node contain data, link to its successor and **a link to its predecessor**
- Two headers pointing to first and last node respectively or pointing to NULL (if list is empty)

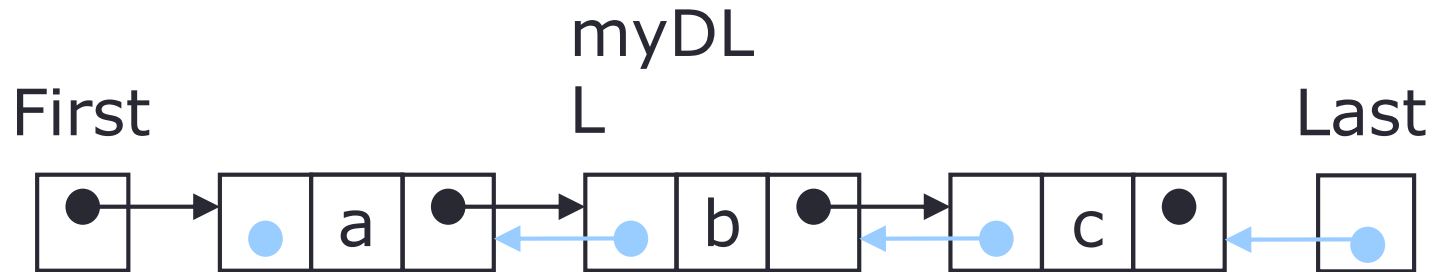


Doubly Linked List

- Advantages:
 - Can be traversed in either direction (may be essential for some programs)
 - Some operations, such as deletion and inserting before a node, become easier
- Disadvantages:
 - Requires more space
 - List manipulations are slower (because more links must be changed)
 - Greater chance of having bugs (because more links must be manipulated)

Insertion in DLL

- Change forward and backward pointers accordingly
- Insert element “d” after “a”

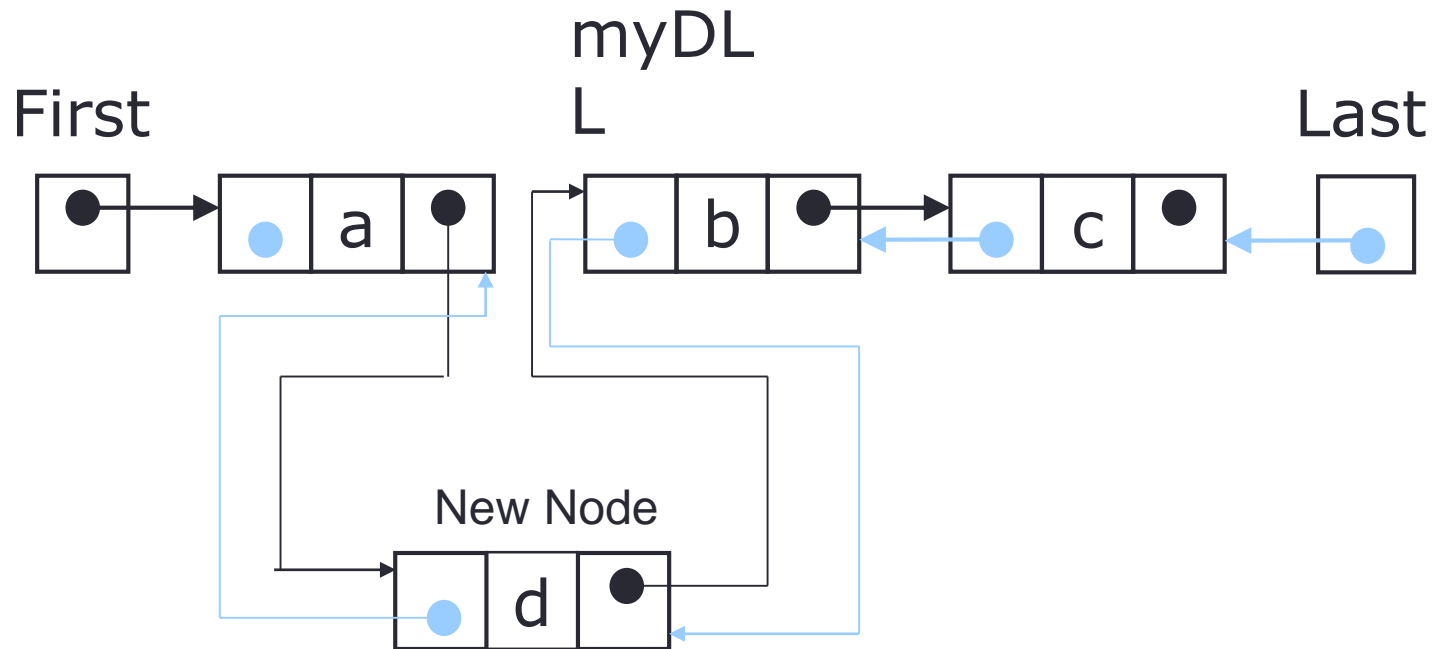


New Node



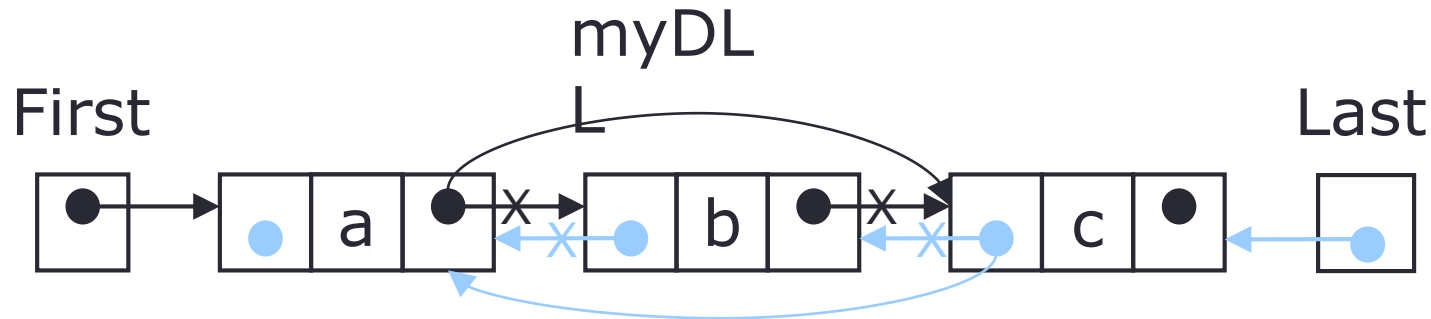
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- Change forward and backward pointers accordingly
- Eg. Insert element “d” after “a”



Deletion in DLL

- Change forward and backward pointers accordingly
- Insertion and Deletion in beginning and last are special cases and should be handled differently
- Eg. Delete “b” from previous list



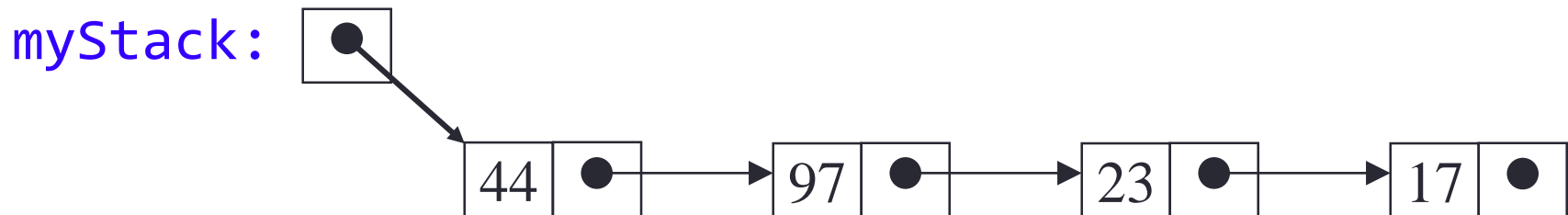
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Stack using LL

- Since all the action happens at the top of a stack, a singly-linked list (SLL) is a fine way to implement it
- The header of the list points to the top of the stack



- Pushing is inserting an element at the front of the list
- Popping is removing an element from the front of the list

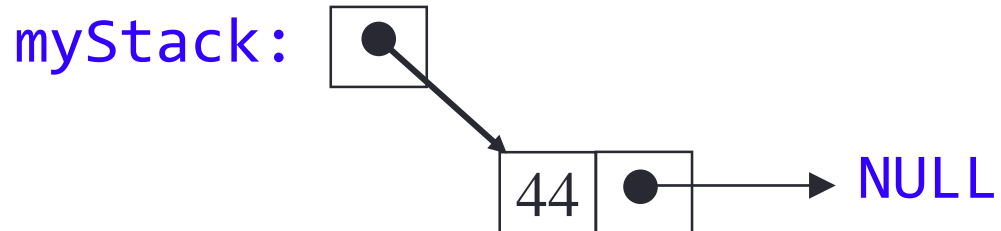
Stack using LL

- Initialize stack; set header to NULL



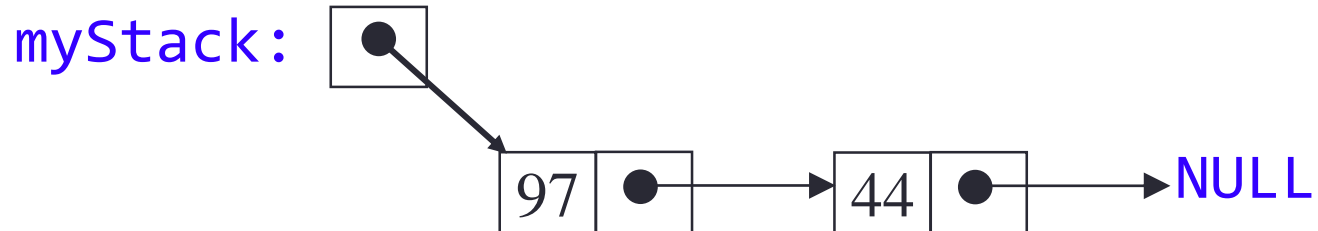
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- Initialize stack; set header to NULL
- push(44)



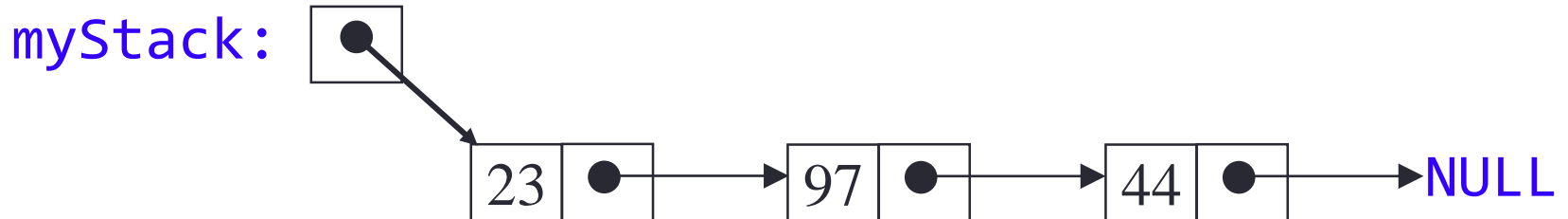
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- Initialize stack; set header to NULL
- push(44)
- push(97)



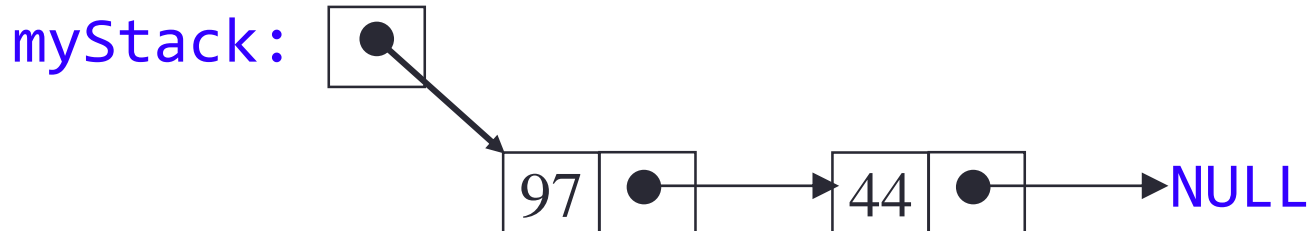
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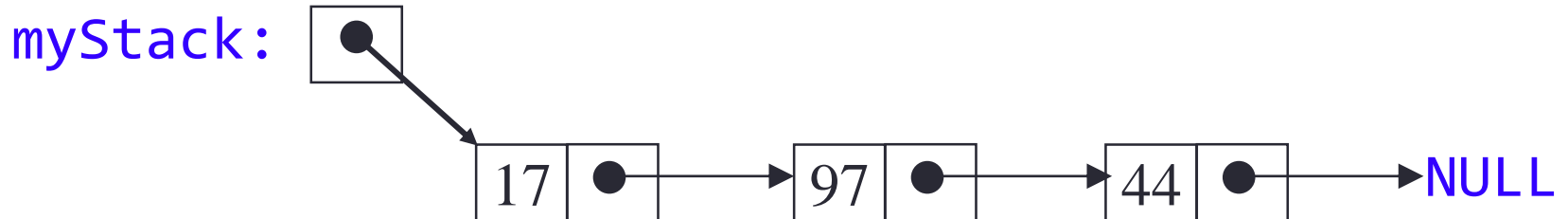
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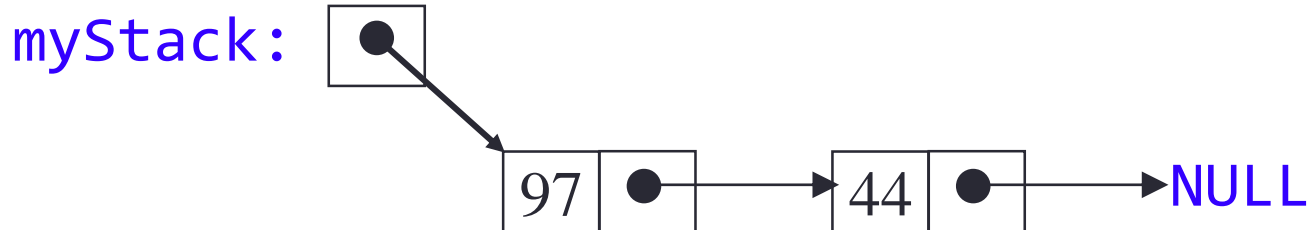
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- pop()



Stack using LL details

- With a linked-list representation, overflow will not happen (unless you exhaust memory, which is another kind of problem)
- Underflow can happen, and should be handled the same way as for an array implementation
- When a node is popped from a list, and the node references an object, the reference (the pointer in the node) does *not* need to be set to **NULL**
 - Unlike an array implementation, it really *is* removed--you can no longer get to it from the linked list

Queue using LL

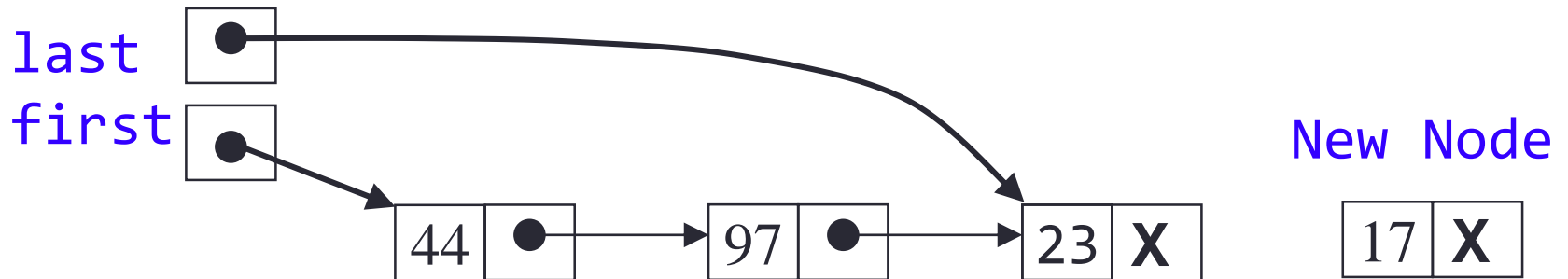
- In a queue, insertions occur at one end, deletions at the other end
- Operations at the front of a singly-linked list (SLL) are $O(1)$, but at the other end they are $O(n)$
 - Because you have to find the last element each time
- In order to implement both insertions and deletions in $O(1)$ time in a SLL
 - You always need a pointer to the first thing in the list
 - You can keep an additional pointer to the *last* thing in the list

Queue using LL

- In an SLL you can easily find the successor of a node, but not its predecessor
 - Remember, pointers (references) are one-way
- If you know where the *last* node in a list is, it's hard to remove that node, but it's easy to add a node after it
- Hence,
 - Use the *first* element in an SLL as the *front* of the queue
 - Use the *last* element in an SLL as the *rear* of the queue
 - Keep pointers to *both* the front and the rear of the SLL

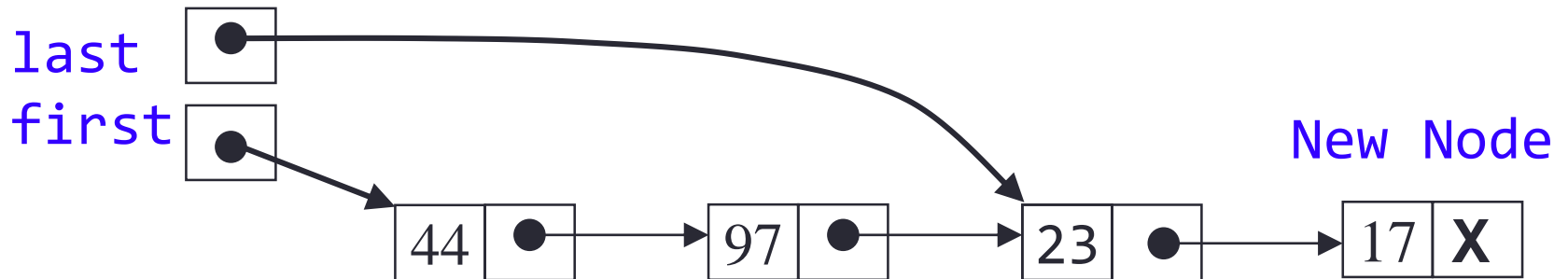
Enqueueing a Node

- Create a new node



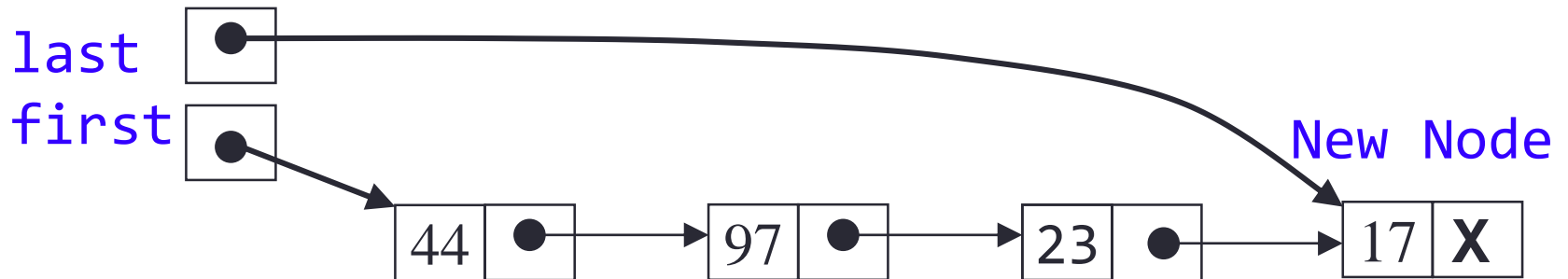
Enqueueing a Node

- Create a new node
- Change pointer of last node to point new node



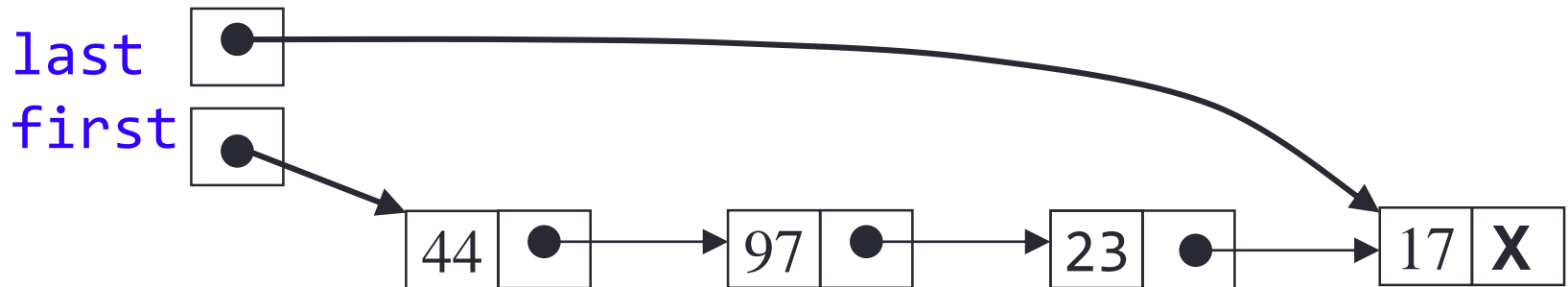
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- Change pointer of last node to point new node
- Change *last* pointer to point to new node



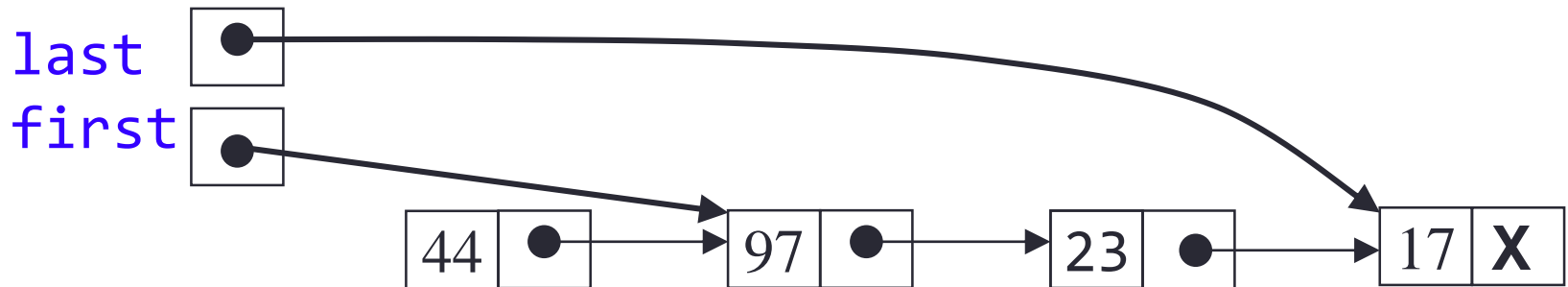
Dequeuing a Node

- Change “first” to point to second node



Dequeuing a Node

- Change “first” to point to second node
- Optionally, set deleted node free



Queue using LL details

- With a linked-list representation, overflow will not happen (unless you exhaust memory, which is another kind of problem)
- Underflow can happen, and should be handled the same way as for an array implementation
- When a node is dequeued from a list, and the node references an object, the reference (the pointer in the node) does *not* need to be set to **NULL**
 - Unlike an array implementation, it really *is* removed--you can no longer get to it from the linked list

Polynomial Representation in LL

- Represent polynomial expression using Linked List
- A node in linked list stores coefficient and exponent of each term in polynomial expression
- Eg. $5X^{12} + 2X^9 - X^3$



Polynomial Addition

- Consider Two polynomial expressions

$$5X^{12} + 2X^9 - X^3$$

$$5X^{11} - 4X^9 + 2X^3 - X$$

- Addition of above two expression is

$$5X^{12} + 5X^{11} - 2X^9 + X^3 - X$$

Algo for Polynomial Addition

- Represent two polynomials in two linked lists L1 and L2
- Create a third empty linked list L3
- Compare the items in L1 with the items in L2
 - If there is no item having the same exponent, append these items to the third list.
 - If there are two items with the same exponent exp and coefficient $coff1$ and $coff2$, append an item with exponent exp and coefficient $coff1+coff2$ to L3

Pseudocode for Polynomial Addition

Polyadd(list L1, list L2, list L3)

while (L1 != NULL and L2 != NULL) //While both list are not empty

if (L1->pow > L2->pow) //if power of L1 is greater than L2, append L1 to L3

L3->coff = L1->coff; L3->pow = L1->pow;

L1 = L1->next;

if (L1->pow < L2->pow) //if power of L2 is greater than L1, append L1 to L3

L3->coff = L2->coff; L3->pow = L2->pow;

L2 = L2->next;

if (L1->pow = L2->pow) //if power of L1 & L2 is equal, add coefficient

L3->coff = L1->coff + L2->coff; L3->pow = L1->pow;

L1 = L1->next; L2 = L2->next;

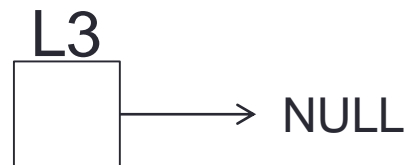
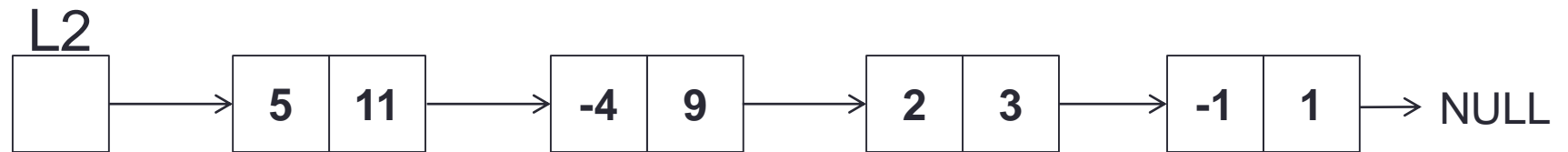
while (L1 != NULL) //if L2 has reached end, append remaining terms of L1

L3->coff = L1->coff; L3->pow = L1->pow; L1 = L1->next;

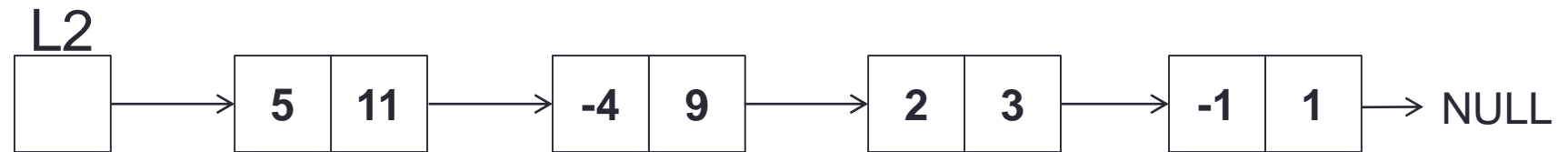
while (L2 != NULL) //if L1 has reached end, append remaining terms of L2

L3->coff = L2->coff; L3->pow = L2->pow; L1 = L2->next;

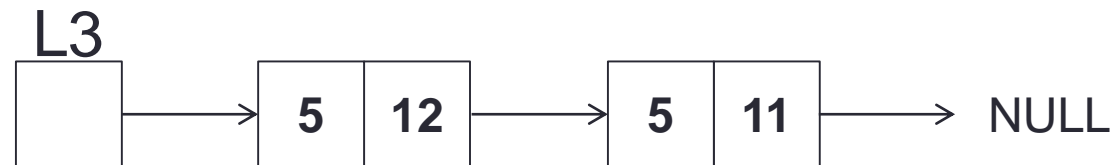
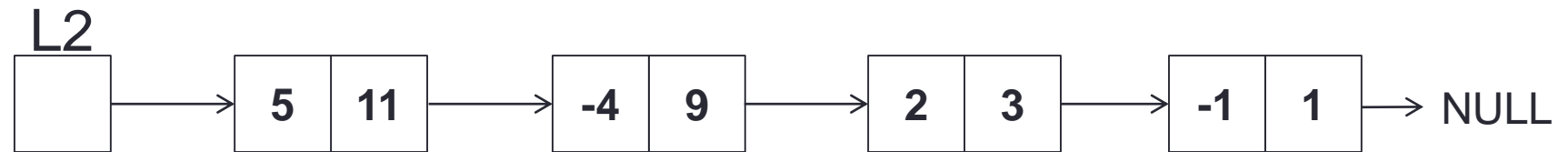
Example Polynomial Addition



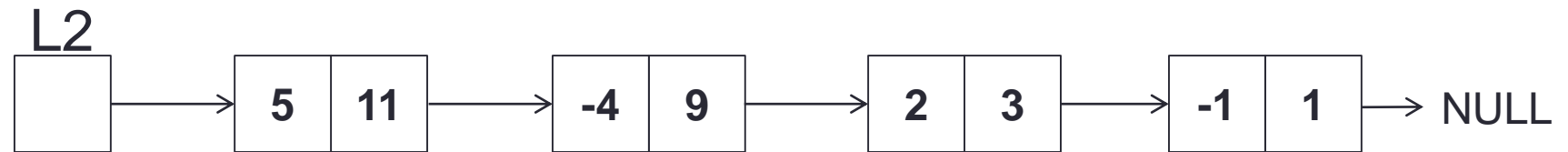
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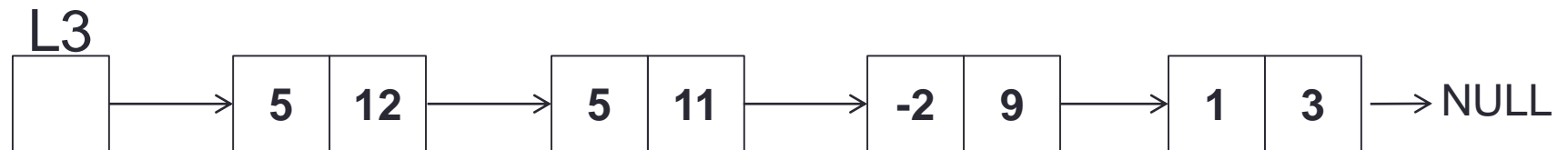
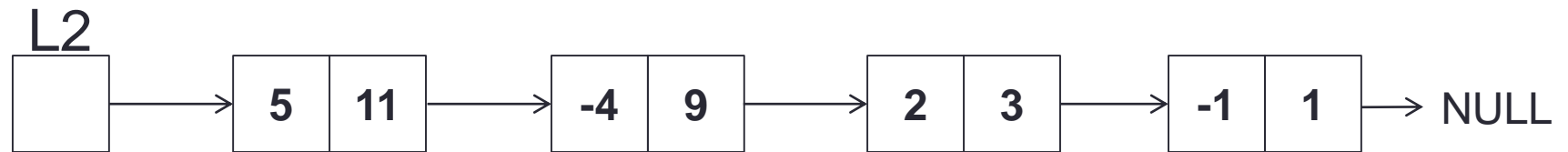
Example Polynomial Addition



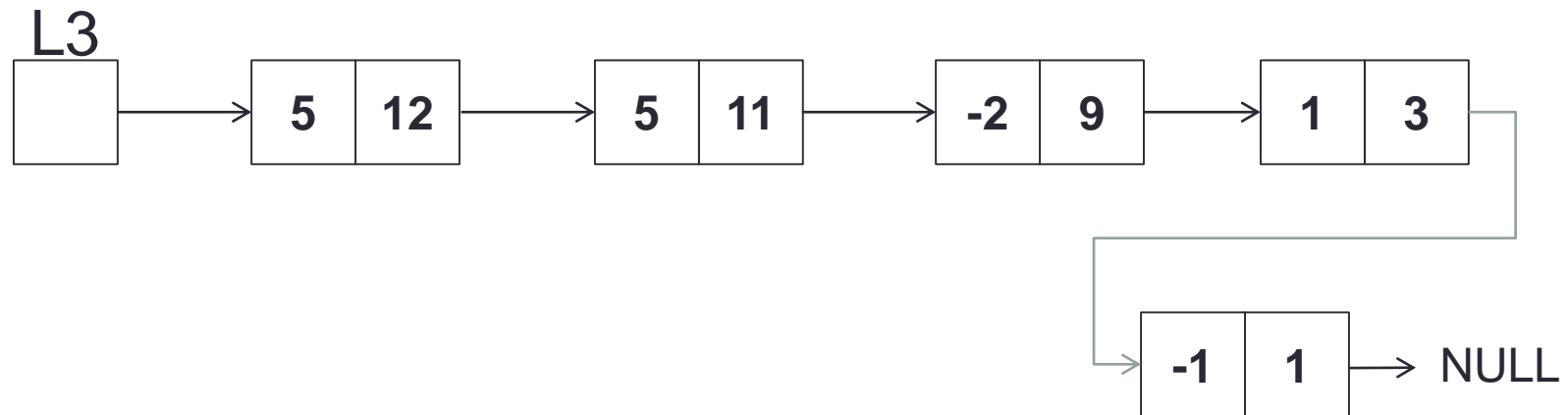
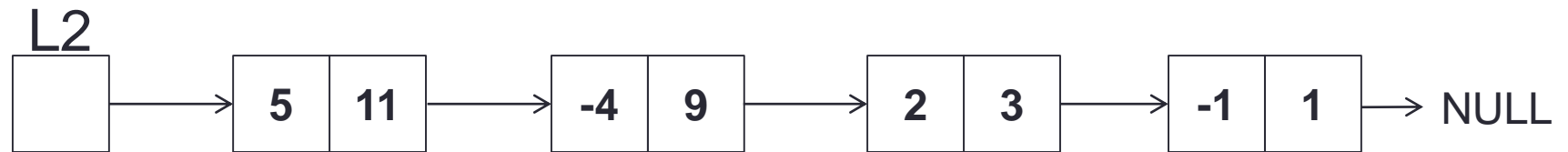
Example Polynomial Addition



Example Polynomial Addition



Example Polynomial Addition



Algo for Polynomial Subtraction

- Represent two polynomials in two linked lists L1 and L2
- Create a third linked list L3, with coefficient of L2 negated
- Perform the algo for addition of list L1 and L3

Sparse Matrices

- Sparse: Many elements are zero
- Dense: Many elements are non-zero
- A matrix is a collection of relation between two entities of same or different groups
- Eg. Airline Flight Matrix between cities

city →

↓

0	0	3	0	4
0	0	5	7	0
0	0	0	0	0
0	2	6	0	0
4	1	0	3	0

Structured Sparse Matrices

- Has a proper structure of zero and non-zero elements
- Eg. Diagonal, tridiagonal, lower triangular

Diagonal

a_1 0 0 0

0 a_2 0 0

0 0 a_3 0

0 0 0 a_4

Tridiagonal

a_1 b_1 0 0

c_1 a_2 b_2 0

0 c_2 a_3 b_3

0 0 c_3 a_4

- May be mapped into a 1D array so that a mapping function can be used to locate an element.

Unstructured Sparse Matrices

- Airline flight matrix.
 - airports are numbered 1 through n
 - $\text{flight}(i, j)$ = **list** of nonstop flights from airport i to airport j
 - $n = 1000$ (say)
 - $n \times n$ array of list references (assuming 4Bytes for one reference)
=> 4 million bytes
 - total number of flights = 20,000 (say)
 - need at most 20,000 list references => at most 80,000 bytes

Representation of Unstructured Sparse Matrix(USM)

- Single linear list in row-major order.
 - scan the nonzero elements of the sparse matrix in row-major order
 - each nonzero element is represented by a triple (row, column, value)
 - the list of triples may be an array list or a linked list (chain)

Example:

0	0	3	0	4
0	0	5	7	0
0	0	0	0	0
0	2	6	0	0

Array Representation of USM

Example:

0	0	3	0	4
0	0	5	7	0
0	0	0	0	0
0	2	6	0	0

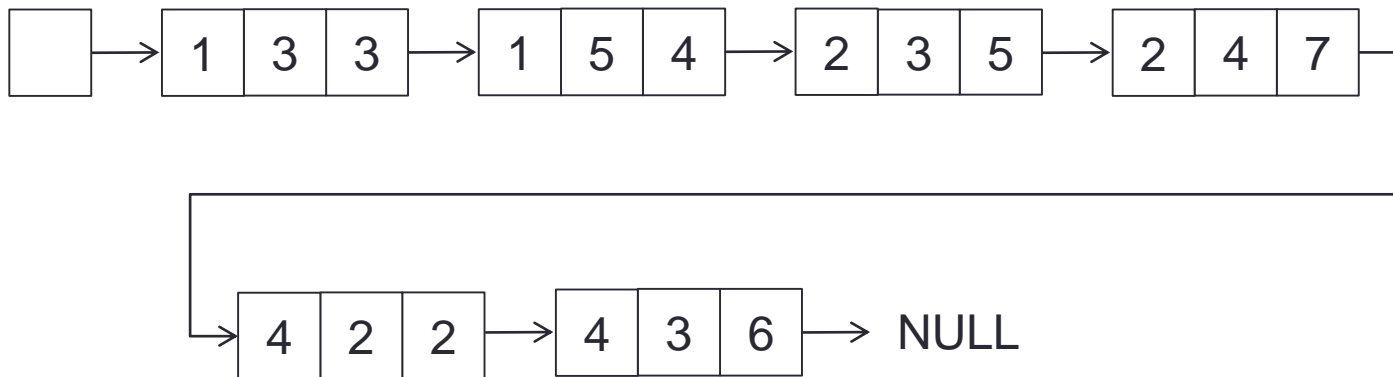
Element	0	1	2	3	4	5
Row	1	1	2	2	4	4
Column	3	5	3	4	2	3
Value	3	4	5	7	2	6

LL Representation of USM

Example: 0 0 3 0 4
0 0 5 7 0
0 0 0 0 0
0 2 6 0 0

Row
LL = Column
Value

1	1	2	2	4	4
3	5	3	4	2	3
3	4	5	7	2	6



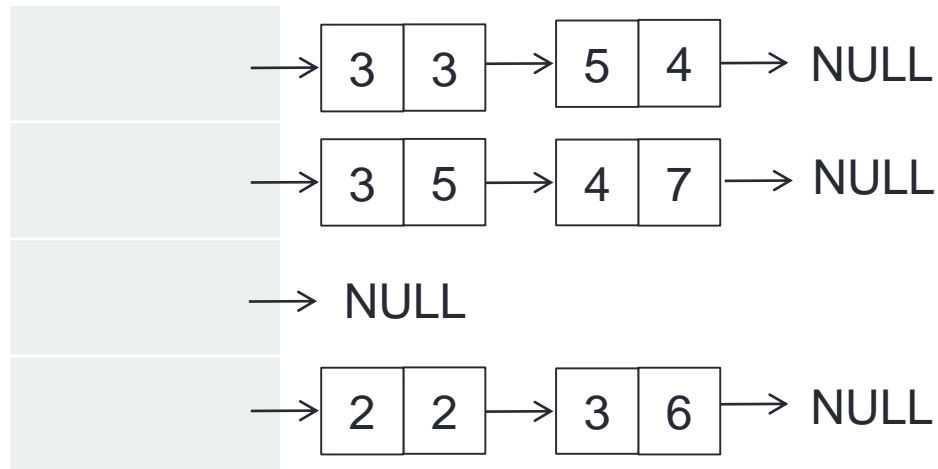
Array of LL Representation of USM

Example: 0 0 3 0 4

0 0 5 7 0

0 0 0 0 0

0 2 6 0 0



Row[]

Memory Requirements (Approx.)

- 500 x 500 matrix with 1994 nonzero elements
- 2D Array $500 * 500 * 4 = 10^6$ Bytes
- Single Array List $3 * 1994 * 4 = 23,928$ Bytes
- Array of LL $23,928 + 500 * 4 = 25,928$ Bytes

Circular Linked List(CLL)

- Extension of Linear/Singly Linked List where last node points to beginning of list
- Can be implemented in two ways
 1. **Header Pointer:** An extra pointer pointing to start of list
 2. **Header Node:** A special node in the beginning of list
 - Header node stores some special value, like a negative number if list contains only positive numbers
 - We can use flag to specify header and non-header nodes
- CLL does not have any NULL pointer except for empty list

Circular Linked List (CLL)

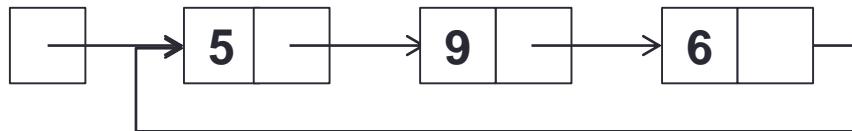
- Empty CLL

ListStart

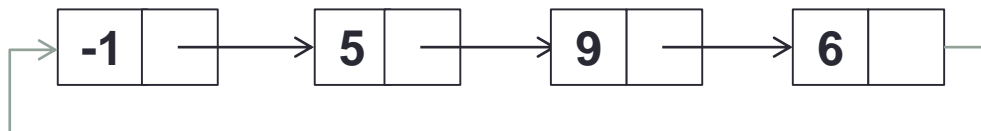


- Non-Empty CLL

ListStart



- Header Node



Traversing in CLL

```
void print(Eptr ListStart) {  
    Eptr temp = ListStart;  
    print (temp->data);  
    while (temp->next != ListStart) {  
        print (temp->data);  
        temp = temp->next;  
    }  
}
```

Advantages of CLL

- Some operations can be made efficient in CLL compare to Singly LL like search multiple entries subsequently
- CLL are useful when element of lists are to be visited in “Loop” fashion

Insertion in CLL

Insert in Empty CLL

- Change Header to point new node and new node to point itself

Insert at Start

- Create new node; point to existing first node
- Change last node to point to new node; change header

Insert in middle

- Change new node to point successor of the node after which node is inserted
- Change predecessor to point to new node

Deletion in CLL

Delete Last node

- If node points to itself, set header to point to null

Delete from Front

- Change last node to point second node in list
- Update header to point to second node

Delete from middle

- Change predecessor to point successor