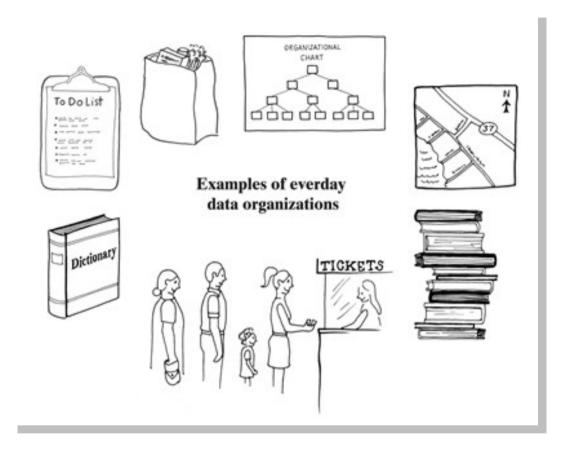
Dynamic Data Structures and Generics

Reading: Savitch ch. 12

Objectives

- Introduce Abstract Data Types (ADTs) and review interfaces
- Introduce Java's ArrayList class
- Learn about linked lists and inner classes
- Introduce Generics

Organizing Objects



 The objects in each example are organized in a specific way.

Abstract Data Type (ADT)

- Computers store/organize items similarly to the examples.
- Ways of organizing data are represented by Abstract Data Types (ADTs).
- An ADT specifies
 - data that is stored
 - operations that can be done on the data

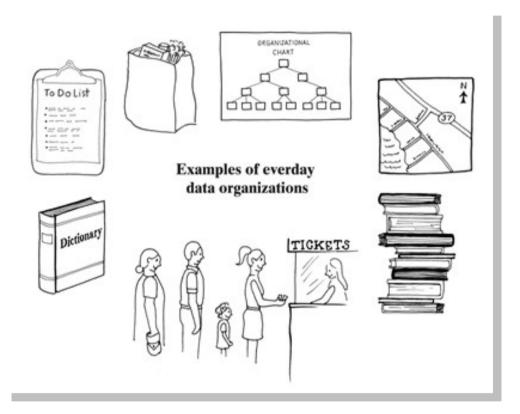
An ADT is Abstract



- The data type is <u>abstract</u>.
 - Implementation details are NOT part of an ADT.
 - An ADT does NOT specify how the data is to be represented.
- We can discuss ADTs independently of any programming language.

Types of ADTs

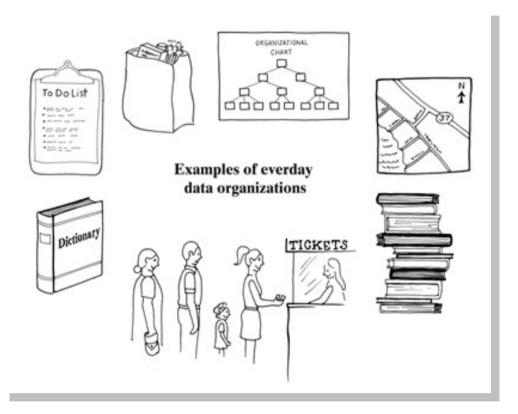




- Bag
 - Unordered collection, may contain duplicates
- List
 - A collection that numbers its items
- Stack
 - Orders items chronologically
 - Last In, First out

Types of ADTs





- Queue
 - Orders items chronologically
 - First in, First out
- Dictionary
 - Pairs of items one is a key
 - Can be sorted or not
- Tree
 - Arranged in a hierarchy
- Graph
 - Generalization of a tree

ADT Terminology



- Data structure: implementation of an ADT within a programming language.
- Collection: an ADT that contains a group of objects
- Container: a class that implements the collection
- The terms Collection and Container can be used interchangeably

Interfaces



- In Java, an ADT is represented as an interface, e.g., List<T>
- In a Java interface, the operations are expressed as abstract methods.
- An abstract method is a method that does not have an implementation.
- In an interface, all of the methods are abstract.

Interface - Example

 The following interface, called ListADT has 3 abstract methods, add, remove, and get:

```
// file ListADT.java
public interface ListADT {
   public void add(String element);
   public void remove(String element);
   public String get(int index);
}
```

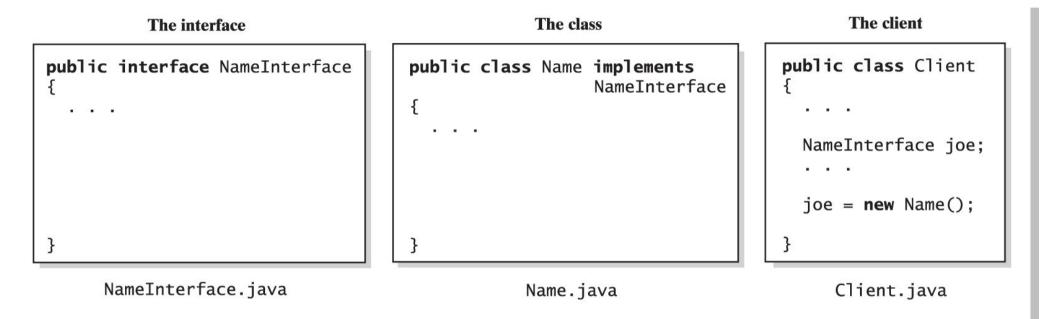
Implementing an Interface 💢



- A class implements an interface by providing method implementations for each of the abstract methods.
- A class that implements an interface uses the reserved word implements followed by the interface name. i.e. `implements` + interface name
- A class can implement more than 1 interface:

```
public class MyClass
  implements interface1, interface2, ... { ...
```

Implementing an Interface



The object joe has the types
 NameInterface and Name

Comparable<T> Interface



- The Comparable<T> interface is defined in the java standard class library.
- It contains one method, compareTo, which takes an object as parameter and returns an integer
 - e.g.: int result = obj1.compareTo(obj2);
- The intention of this interface is to provide a common way to compare one object to another
- The integer that is returned should be negative if obj1 is less than obj2, 0 if they are equal, and positive if obj1 is greater than obj2
- The string class implements this interface

List<T> Interface



- The List<T> interface is part of the java.util package
- The intention of this interface is to provide a common way to store and maintain an ordered collection (sequence/list) of data
- It contains several abstract methods, e.g.: add, contains, get, indexOf, remove, set, size, etc.
- The ArrayList class implements this interface

ArrayList Introduction

- A data structure is used to organize data in a specific way
- An array is a static data structure
- Dynamic data structures can grow and shrink while a program is running
- ArrayLists are <u>dynamic</u>
- ArrayLists are similar to arrays, but are more flexible

ArrayLists

- We can think of ArrayLists as arrays that grow and shrink while a program is running.
- At the time an array is created, its length is fixed.
 - The length sometimes turns out to be too small and we need to resize the array.
 - If the length is too large, we waste space

ArrayLists



- ArrayLists perform the resizing operation that we implemented ourselves up to now
- ArrayLists serve the same purposes as arrays, but can change in length while a program runs.
- The added flexibility comes at a price:
 - ArrayLists are less efficient than arrays
 - The base type of an ArrayList can't be a primitive type (use wrapper classes)



Using ArrayLists

 The definition of class ArrayList must be imported:

```
import java.util.*;
```

To create and name an ArrayList:

```
ArrayList<String> list =
    new ArrayList<String>(50);
```

- The ArrayList list stores objects of type string and has an initial capacity of 50.
 - The capacity will grow if more than 50 items are added.





Syntax:

```
ArrayList<BaseType> name =
    new ArrayList<BaseType>();
Or:
ArrayList<BaseType> name =
    new ArrayList<BaseType>(initialCapacity);
```

- BaseType can be any class type.
 - Use the wrapper classes (Integer, Double,...)
 to store primitive types.



Adding and Getting Elements

Create a list of word objects and add words:

```
ArrayList<Word> list = new ArrayList<Word>();
  list.add(new Word("the"));
  list.add(new Word("dog"));
  list.add(new Word("bites"));

Get the second element:
  Word aWord = list.get(1); // dog
```

aWord = list.get(3); //ERROR: index >= size()





Inserting into the middle:

```
list.add(1, new Word("vicious"));
```

- The word "vicious" is now at index 1
- The other words get moved down

```
before: after:
```

0 the 0 the

1 dog 1 vicious

2 bites 2 dog

3 bites



Adding and Getting Elements

Inserting into the middle:

```
0 the
1 vicious
2 dog
3 bites
• list.add(5, new Word("children"));
• error - index must be less than size
• list.add(4, new Word("children"));
• ok - adds to the end of the list
```





```
list.remove(1);
     before:
                 after:
     0 the
                 0 the
     1 vicious 1 dog
                 2 bites
     2 dog
     3 bites
                 3 children
     4 children
     0 \le index < size()
```

Removing an Element



Remove the first occurrence of a word with the form "children":

Word must have a well-defined equals method!



Finding an Element

Find out if there is an occurrence of a word with the form "dog", or "cat":



Finding an Element

Get the index of the first occurrence of a word with the form "dog", or "cat":

```
0 the
1 dog
2 bites
int dogIndex = list.indexOf(new Word("dog"));
// dogIndex is 1
int catIndex = list.indexOf(new Word("cat"));
// catIndex is -1 (not in the list)
```



Setting an Element

Set the element at index dogIndex to a Word with the form "cat":

```
int dogIndex = list.indexOf(new Word("dog"));
if (dogIndex >= 0) {
    list.set(dogIndex, new Word("cat"));
   before:
               after:
   0 the
                0 the
   1 dog
                1 cat
   2 bites
                2 bites
```



ArrayList Exercises

- 1. Write a static method that takes a string array and returns an ArrayList of type string with the same elements.
- 2. Write a static method that takes an ArrayList of type String AND a String, and deletes all instances of the string in the ArrayList.



Exercise 1 – sample solution

```
public static ArrayList<String>
                   arrayToArrayList(String[] s) {
    ArrayList<String> result =
                 new ArrayList<String>(s.length);
    for (int i=0; i < s.length; i++) {
        result.add(s[i]);
    return result;
```









 Java's ArrayList class allows us to specify the type of the objects stored in the list; it is a parameterized class:

ArrayList<BaseType>

- Its parameter, the BaseType, can be replaced by any class type
- These definitions are called generic definitions, or simply generics



Collection Classes

- A new group of classes implement the Collection interface.
- These classes are know as collection classes
- ArrayList is a collection class
- There is a special for-loop syntax that can be used with collection classes



Collection Classes – "for-each" loop

• Syntax:
for (BaseType variable : collectionObject)
{
 // statements
}



Collection Classes – "for-each" loop

• Example:

Linked Data Structures: Outline

- Linked lists
- Inner classes
- Node inner classes
- Iterators





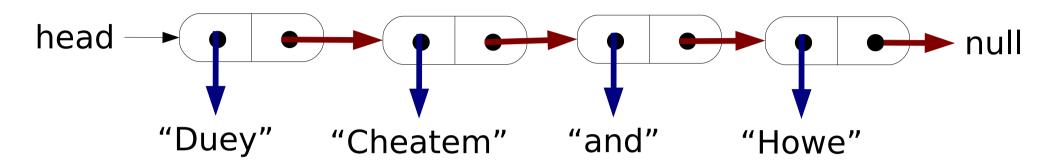
- A linked data structure is a group of objects (called nodes) that are connected by references (called links)
- Java has a predefined LinkedList class, which is part of the java.util package
- In order to learn how linked data structures work, we will construct our own linked list class.





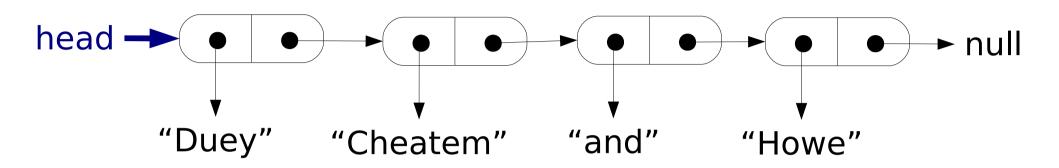
- We will call our linked list class StringLinkedList.
- StringLinkedList has-a reference to the first node in the list – also called the head of the list.
- We will define a separate class called ListNode to represent a node.
- A ListNode has data and a link to the next node.

Linked Lists



- The two references in each node are its instance variables.
 - One refers to the node's data ("Duey", "Cheatem", ...)
 - The other refers to the next node in the list. It links one node to the next.

Linked Lists



- The reference called head is an instance variable of the stringLinkedList class. It references an object of the node type.
- head is a reference to the first node in the list, but is not itself one of the nodes.

The ListNode Class Savitch p 837

- Two instance variables to reference the node's data and link
- Simple constructors
- Getters and setters for the instance variables

The First and Last Nodes



- There has to be a way of determining which node is the last node in the list.
- The node that has a null link instance variable is the last node.
- The value of the link instance variable is tested for null with ==

```
if (link == null) //this is the last node
```

- head is the reference to the first node.
- if (head == null), the list is empty.

StringLinkedList - methods Savitch p 839

- addANodeToStart
- length
- deleteHeadNode
- showList
- onList
- find (private)

StringLinkedList - addANodeToStart add the first node

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public void addANodeToStart(String addData) {
    head = new ListNode(addData, head);
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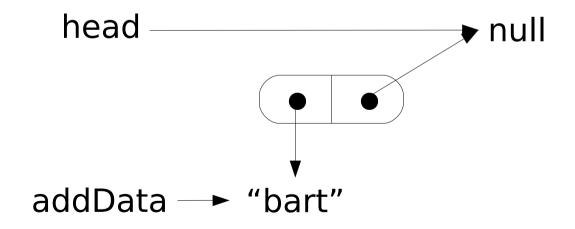
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head — → null

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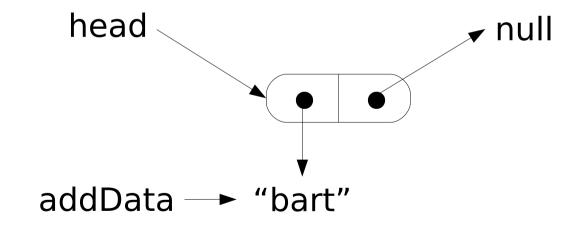
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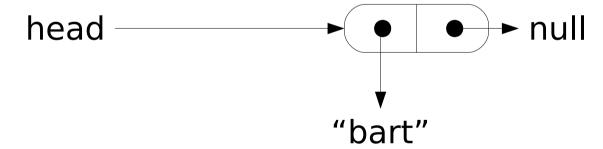
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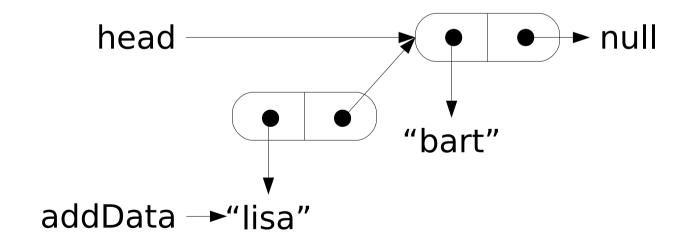
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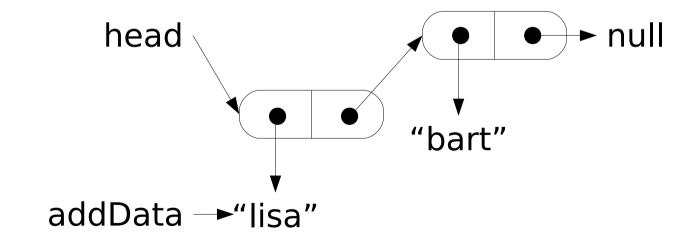
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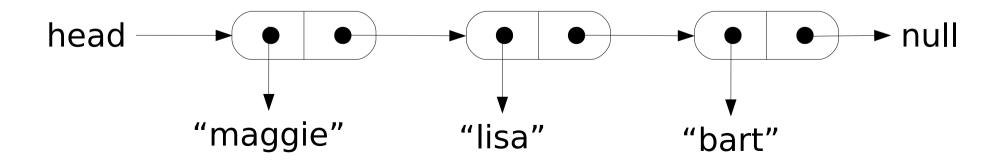
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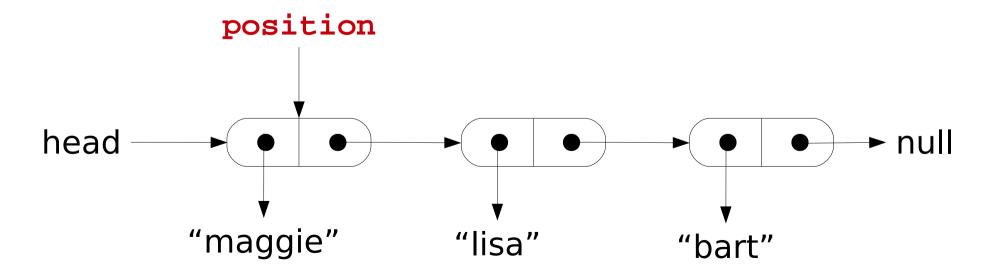
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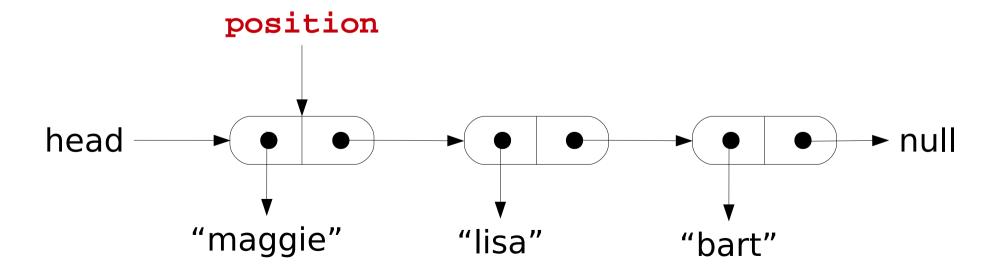
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      position = position.getLink();
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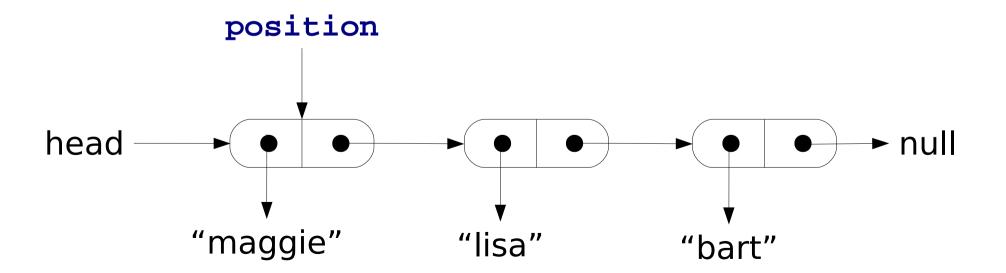
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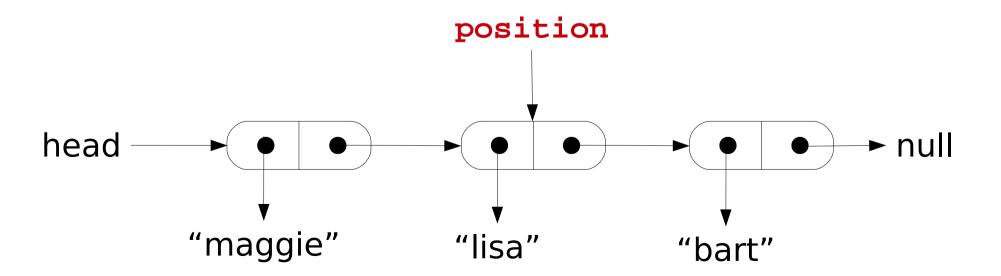


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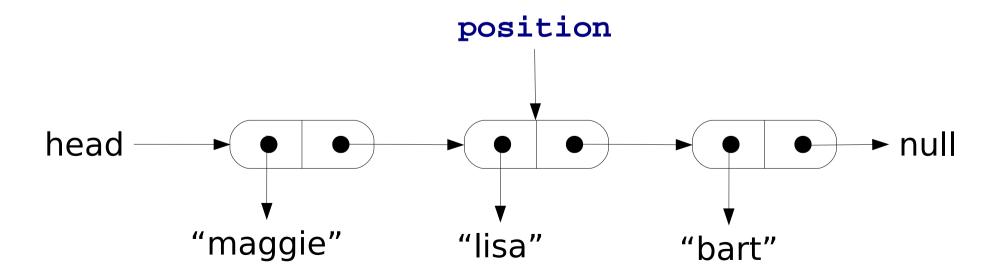


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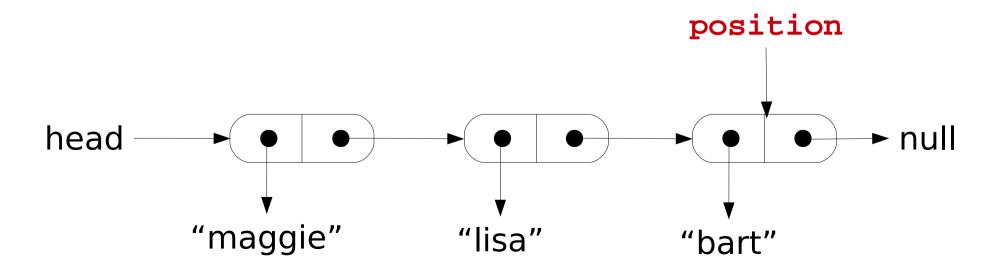
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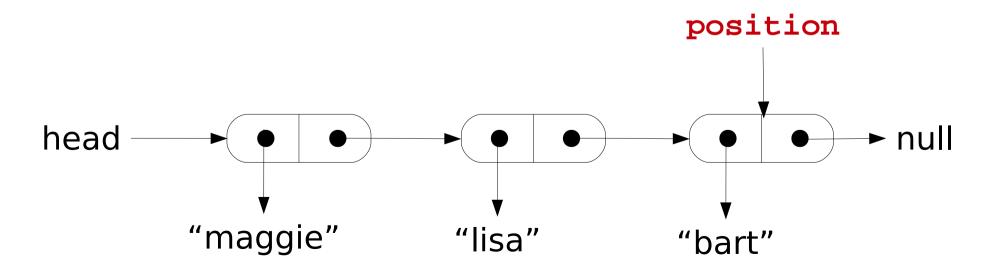
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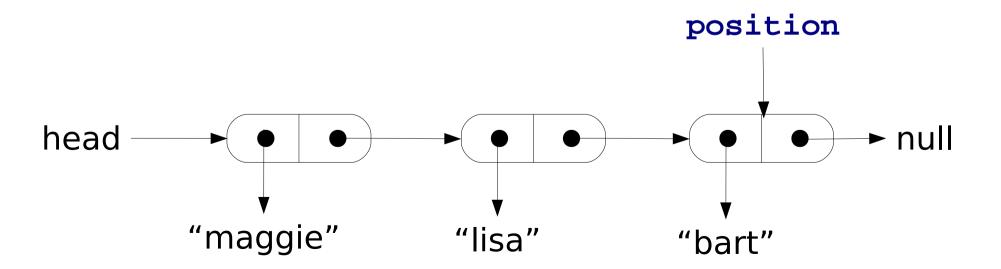
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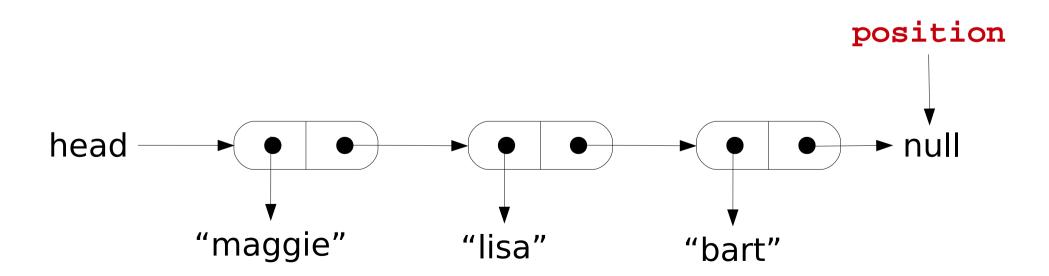
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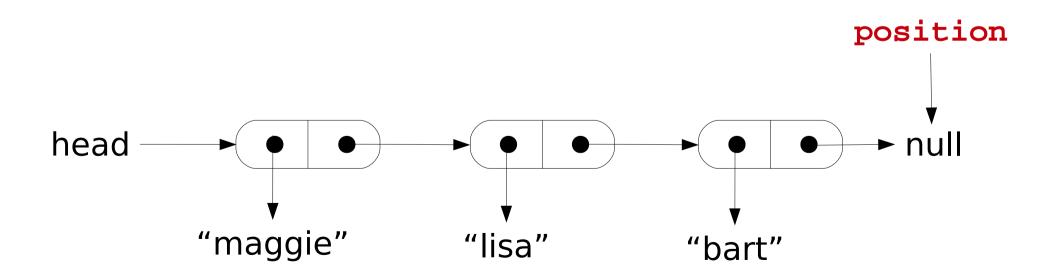
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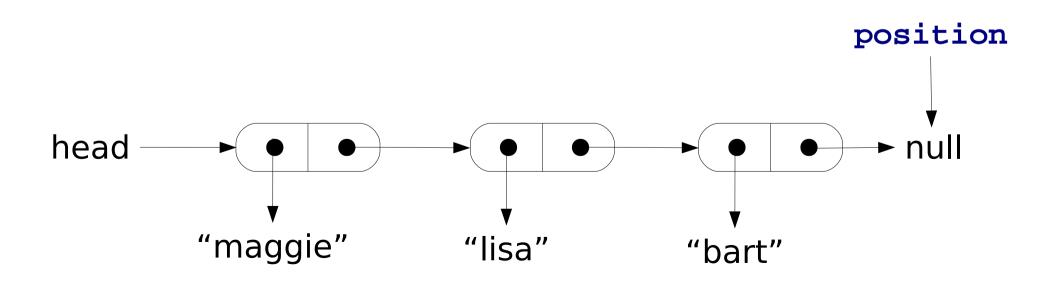
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StringLinkedList - deleteHeadNode

- Can't delete a node from an empty list
- A list is empty if head == null
- Could also throw an exception if deleting from an empty list (Savitch prints a message and exits)

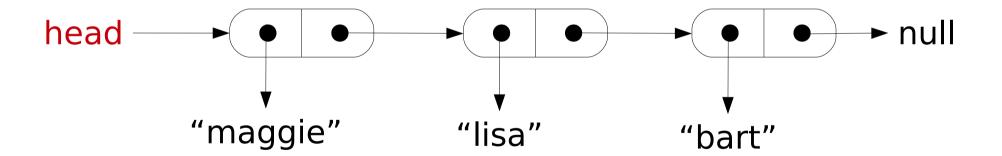


NullPointerException

- A NullPointerException indicates that access to an object has been attempted using a null reference.
- A null reference means that no object is referenced by the variable.
- A NullPointerException does not need to be caught or declared in a throws clause. It indicates that the code needs to be fixed.

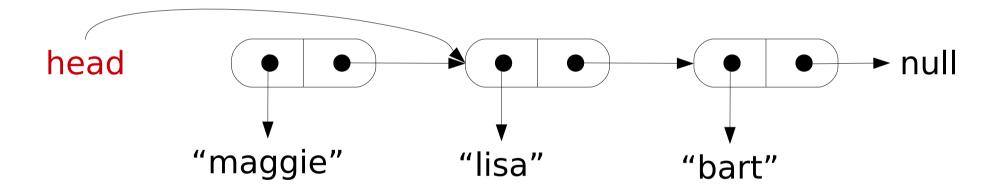
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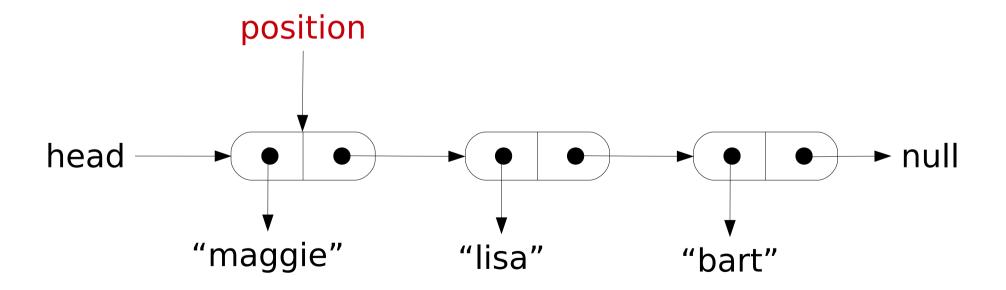
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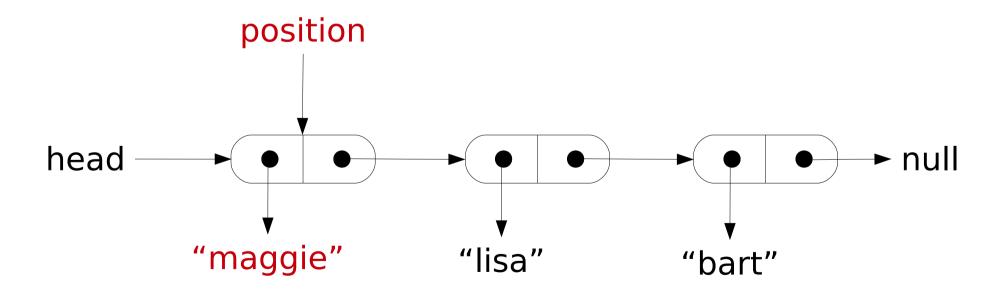


The "old" head node no longer has a reference to it and is lost.

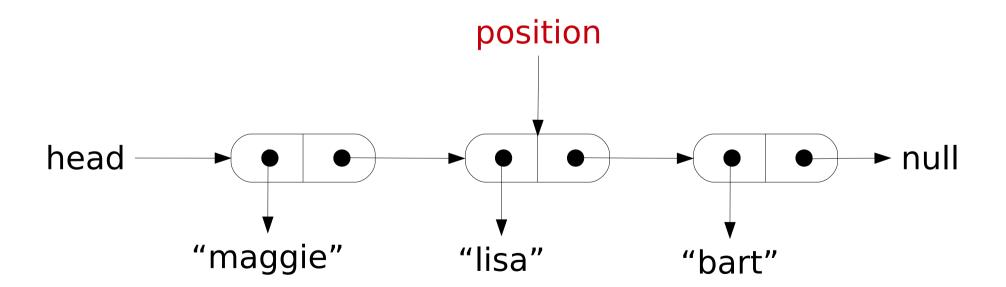
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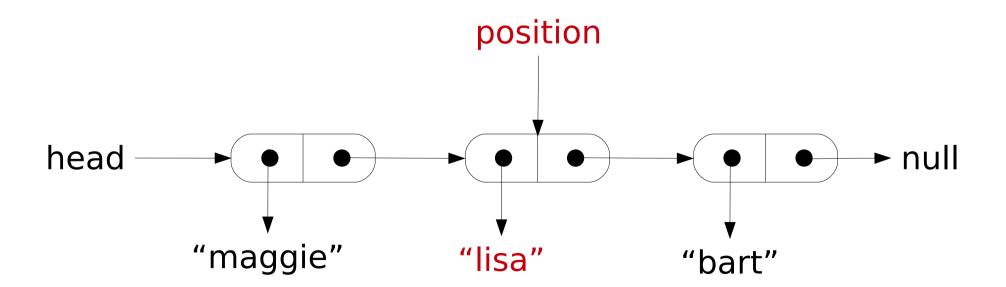
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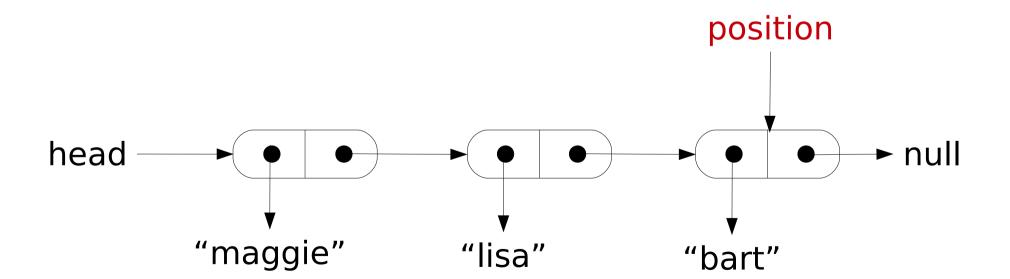
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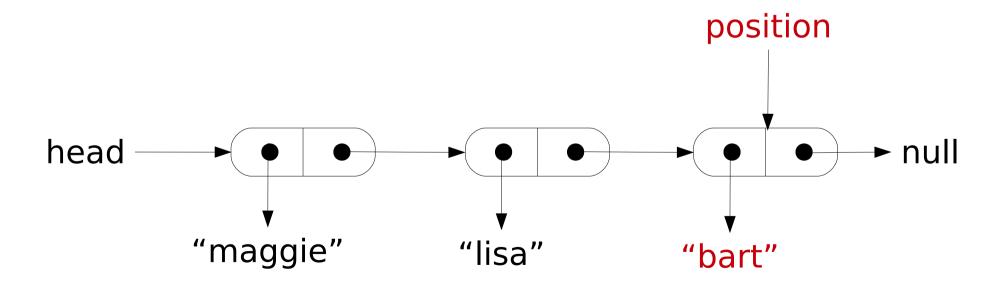
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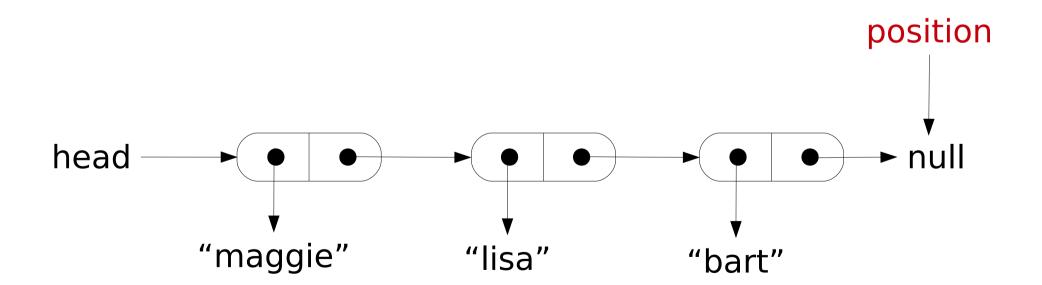
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Privacy Leaks

- The getLink method in class ListNode (page 837) returns an instance variable which is a reference to a node.
- A user could modify the data stored in that node, defeating the private restriction on the instance variable link.
- This problem can be fixed by making the class ListNode a private inner class of StringLinkedList.

Inner Classes

- An inner class is a class defined within another class
- Defining an inner class:

```
public class OuterClass {
    // OuterClass instance variables
    // OuterClass methods

private class InnerClass {
    // InnerClass instance variables
    // InnerClass methods
  }
}
```



Inner Classes - Access

 The inner and outer classes have access to each other's methods and instance variables, even if they are declared private.

Node Inner Class

StringLinkedListSelfContained Savitch listing 12.5, p 849-851

- By making the node class in inner class of the linked list class, the linked list class becomes self-contained.
- The accessor (get-) and mutator (set-) methods can be eliminated from the node class.
- They are no longer needed because the instance variables are directly accessible.



List Iteration

- We often need to "step through" all the objects in a list and perform some operation on each object.
- An *iterator* allows us to "step through" a collection of objects (in this case a list of nodes).



List Iteration

 The loop control variable of a for-loop functions as an iterator for an array:

```
for (int i=0; i < a.length; i++)
System.out.println(a[i]);</pre>
```

 We could place all the elements of a linked list into an array and "step through" the elements by iterating the array. This is called *external* iteration.



List Iteration

- We will implement an internal iterator one that uses an instance variable to step through the nodes.
- An instance variable in the linked list class capable of referencing a node can serve the same purpose as a loop control variable in a for loop.
- This allows us to "step through" the list and access or change data contained in the nodes or to insert and delete nodes.

StringLinkedListWithIterator Savitch listing 12.7, p 852-855

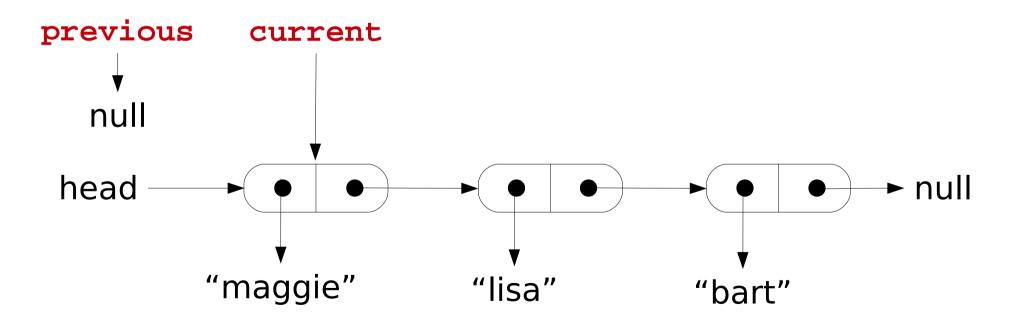
- Additional methods:
 - resetIteration
 - goToNext
 - deleteCurrentNode
 - insertNodeAfterCurrent
 - moreToIterate
 - getDataAtCurrent
 - setDataAtCurrent
- Must modify addANodeToStart method

StringLinkedListWithIterator

- We need 2 more instance variables:
 - private ListNode current;
 - private ListNode previous;
- current should always reference the node currently being processed
- previous should always reference the node behind current and is needed if we want to delete the current node

StringLinkedListWithIterator - resetIteration

```
public void resetIteration() {
    // current, previous, head are all instance variables
    current = head;
    previous = null;
}
```



Advancing to the next node

Possible situations:

- There is a next node to advance to
- Errors: There is **not** a next node because:
 - the iteration was not initialized by calling resetIteration

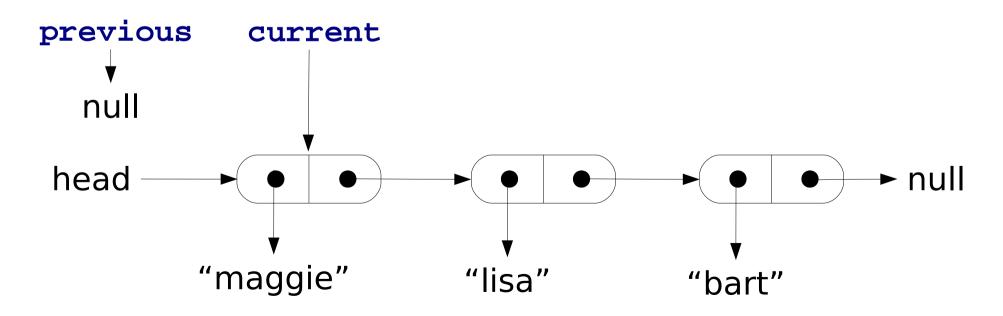
or

the iteration moved past end of list

or

the list is empty

- The user must call resetIteration before the first call to goToNext
- If current != null, it is safe to go to the next node



Success

```
public void goToNext()
   if (current != null)
      previous = current;
      current = current.link;
   } else if (head != null) {
      throw new LinkedListException("Iterated too many times " +
                                     "or uninitialized iteration");
   } else {
      throw new LinkedListException("Iterating empty list");
previous
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"lisa"

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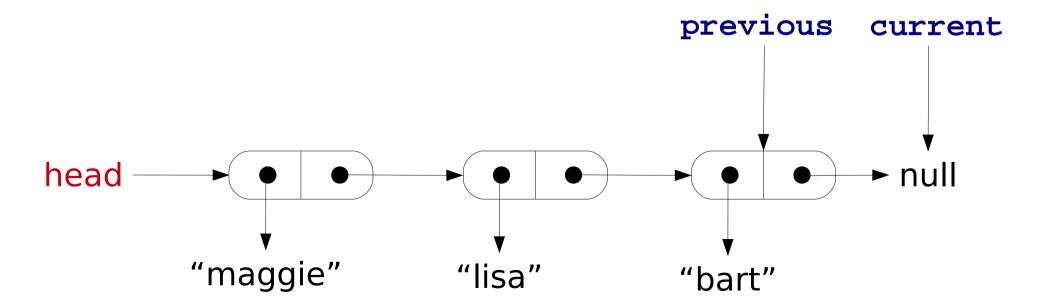
"maggie"

success

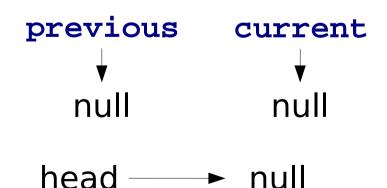
uninitialized iteration

```
public void goToNext()
   if (current != null)
      previous = current;
      current = current.link;
   } else if (head != null) {
      throw new LinkedListException("Iterated too many times " +
                                     "or uninitialized iteration");
   } else {
      throw new LinkedListException("Iterating empty list");
previous
              current
   null
                null
head
                                                           ► null
           "maggie"
                              "lisa"
```

StringLinkedListWithIterator - goToNext done iterating



StringLinkedListWithIterator - goToNext empty list



Possible situations:

- We are deleting a node from the middle of the list
- We are deleting the head node
- Error: there is no current node to delete

from the middle

```
public void deleteCurrentNode()
  if ((current != null) && (previous != null)) {
      previous.link = current.link;
     current = current.link:
   } else if ((current != null) && (previous == null)) {
      head = current.link;
      current = head;
   } else {
      throw new LinkedListException("Deleting uninitialized " +
                                    "current or list is empty");
            previous
                              current
head
          "maggie"
                             "lisa"
                                            "bart"
```

from the middle

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public void deleteCurrentNode()
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      current = current.link;
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      current = head;
   } else {
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                                    "current or list is empty");
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                                    "current or list is empty");
            previous
                              current
head
          "maggie"
                             "lisa"
```

head node

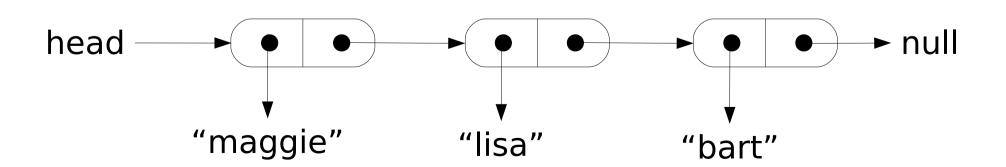
```
public void deleteCurrentNode()
  if ((current != null) && (previous != null)) {
      previous.link = current.link;
      current = current.link;
    } else if ((current != null) && (previous == null)) {
      head = current.link;
      current = head;
    } else {
      throw new LinkedListException("Deleting uninitialized " +
                                     "current or list is empty");
previous
             current
   null
head
           "maggie"
                             "lisa"
                                             "bart"
```

head node

```
public void deleteCurrentNode()
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      previous.link = current.link;
      current = current.link;
    } else if ((current != null) && (previous == null)) {
      head = current.link;
      current = head:
    } else {
      throw new LinkedListException("Deleting uninitialized " +
                                     "current or list is empty");
previous
              current
   null
head
           "maggie"
                             "lisa"
                                             "bart"
```

no current node

current → null



Possible situations:

- There is a current node to insert after
- Errors: There is **not** a current node because:
 - the iteration was not initialized by calling resetIteration

or

the iteration moved past end of list

or

the list is empty

success

```
public void insertNodeAfterCurrent(String newData)
  ListNode newNode = new ListNode(newData, null);
   if (current != null) {
     newNode.link = current.link;
     current.link = newNode;
    else if (head != null) {
      throw new LinkedListException("Inserting when iterator is " +
                       "past all nodes or uninitialized iterator");
    else {
      throw new LinkedListException("Using insertNodeAfterCurrent " +
                                    "with empty list");
            previous
                           current
 head
                                                              ≻ null
        "maggie"
                          "lisa"
                                                 "bart"
                       newNode
                                                    ≻ null
                   newData —
```

success

```
public void insertNodeAfterCurrent(String newData)
   ListNode newNode = new ListNode(newData, null);
   if (current != null) {
      newNode.link = current.link;
      current.link = newNode;
    else if (head != null) {
      throw new LinkedListException("Inserting when iterator is " +
                       "past all nodes or uninitialized iterator");
    else {
      throw new LinkedListException("Using insertNodeAfterCurrent " +
                                    "with empty list");
            previous
                            current
 head
                                                               ≻ null
         "maggie"
                          "lisa"
                                                  "bart"
```

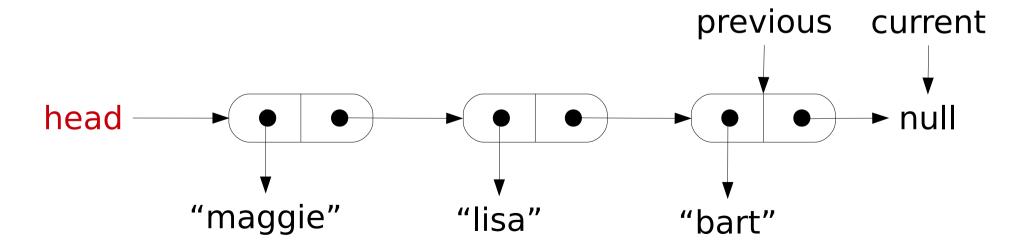
success

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   ListNode newNode = new ListNode(newData, null);
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                       "past all nodes or uninitialized iterator");
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                                    "with empty list");
            previous
                            current
 head
                                                               ≻ null
         "maggie"
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                                                  "bart"
```

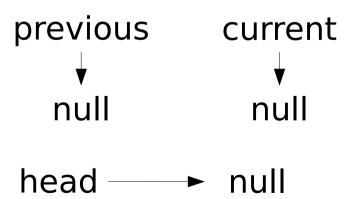
uninitialized iteration

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                       "past all nodes or uninitialized iterator");
   } else {
      throw new LinkedListException("Using insertNodeAfterCurrent " +
                                    "with empty list");
previous → null
current → null
 head
                                                           ► null
           "maggie"
                              "lisa"
```

done iterating



empty list





Doubly Linked Lists

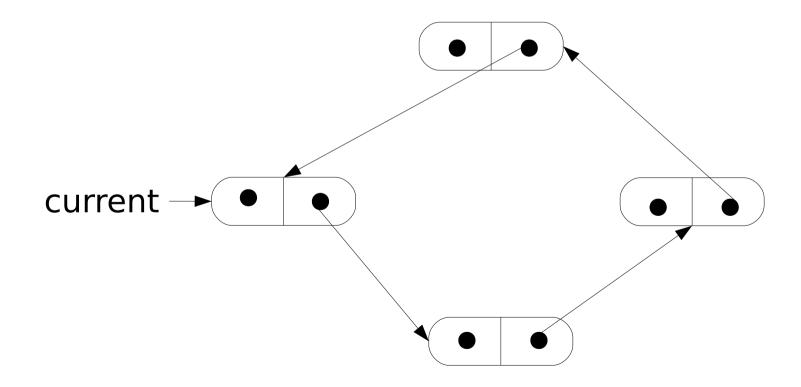
 An additional reference – to the previous node - can be added to the node class, producing a doubly-linked list.

```
private class ListNode {
    private String data;
    private ListNode next;
    private ListNode prev;
     null
     head
```



Circularly Linked Lists

 The last node in a singly-linked list can reference the first node, producing a circularly-linked list.



Generics



- Java (starting with version 5.0) allows definitions that include parameters for types. This is known as generics.
- For example, Java's ArrayList class allows us to specify the type of the objects stored in the list.
- Generics can be difficult to program.
- We will learn enough about generics to use them to define flexible data structure classes.

Generics

- Classes and methods can have a type parameter (like ArrayList<BaseType>)
- Any class type can be substituted for the BaseType

- We can define our own generic classes.
- In the class definition, a type parameter T is used as a placeholder for the BaseType.

Generics - Sample<T> Savitch listing 12.9, p 866

```
Using the Sample<T> class:
Sample<String> s1 = new Sample<String>();
s1.setData("Hello");
System.out.println(s1.getData());
Sample<Word> s2 = new Sample<Word>();
Word aWord = new Word("blah");
s2.setData(aWord);
```

Generics - LinkedList<E> Savitch listing 12.10, p 870-871

- Use the type parameter E instead of a particular base type.
- By using a type parameter instead of a particular base type (string, for example), we can create a linked list with any type of data (word, Car, BankAccount,...)





 The constructor heading does NOT include the type parameter in angle brackets.

Generics - LinkedList<E>

 The ListNode inner class heading also does NOT include the type parameter, but it can use the type parameter anyway.

```
// inner node class
private class ListNode {
    private E data;
}
```



Limited Use of a Type Parameter

- Within the definition of a parameterized class, there are places where a type name is allowed, but a type parameter is NOT allowed.
- Type parameters cannot be used in simple expressions that use new to create a new object.

Limited Use of a Type Parameter

• Examples:

In both cases, the first **T** is legal, but the second **T** is illegal.



Iteration

- The most common way to implement iteration of a collection of objects is by implementing Iterator<T>.
- Java provides an interface Iterator<T>
 - used by classes that represent a collection of objects
 - providing a way of moving through the collection one object at a time
 - defined in the java standard class library

Iterator<T> Interface

- The two primary methods of the interface Iterator<T> are:
 - public T next(); (returns an object)
 - public boolean hasNext(); (returns a boolean value)
- There is also an optional remove method. Even if you choose not to implement it, you must provide a remove method that simply throws an UnsupportedOperationException.
- The scanner class implements this interface



Iterator<T> Object

- The idea is to provide an **object** that iterates over the collection.
- This object can then call the hasNext and next methods to process the collection.

Using an Iterator<T> Object

• Sample use of an Iterator<T> object:

```
LinkedList<String> list = new LinkedList<String>();
list.add("Hello");
list.add("you");
list.add("there");
Iterator<String> iter = list.iterator();
while (iter.hasNext()) {
    System.out.println(iter.next());
```



 We need to provide a method (normally called iterator) that returns an object of type Iterator<T>.

```
public Iterator<T> iterator() {
    return new LinkedListIterator();
}
```



- Where does the LinkedListIterator come from?
- LinkedListIterator is implemented as an inner class of the collection class (LinkedList in this case).
- LinkedListIterator implements the Iterator<T> interface and provides the required next, hasNext, and remove methods.



- The LinkedListIterator inner class also needs:
 - an instance variable current that refers to the current node
 - A constructor that initializes current to the head of the list.

```
import java.util.*;
public class LinkedList<T> {
    private ListNode head;
    // constructors and other methods...
    public Iterator<T> iterator() {
        return new LinkedListIterator();
    }
```

Continued...

...Continued private class LinkedListIterator implements Iterator<T> { private ListNode current; private LinkedListIterator() { current = head; public boolean hasNext() { ... } public T next() { ... } public void remove() { ... } private class ListNode {