

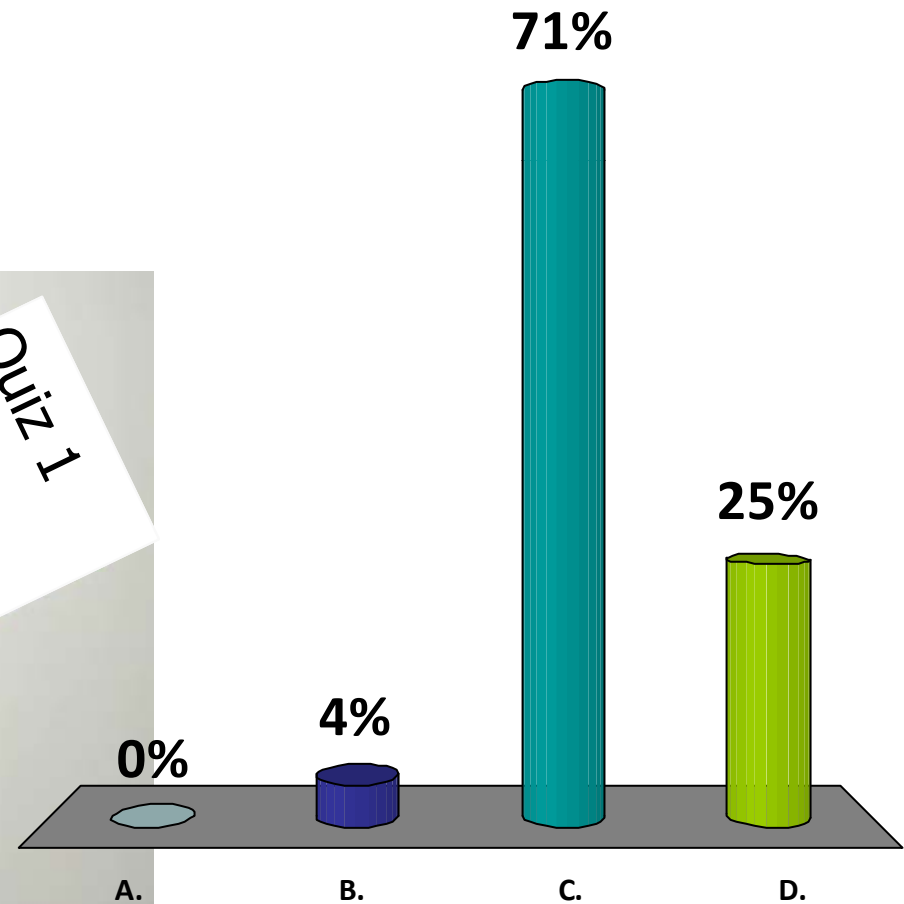
CS2020

Data Structures and Algorithms

Welcome!

When is the date for the Quiz?

- A. On the Eve of CNY
- B. On the Day of CNY
- C. 12 Feb 2039
- ✓ D. 12 Feb 2016



Announcements

Quiz 1 : February 12

- In class: be there!
- Be on time.
- Covers material through today's lecture



Bring to quiz:

- One sheet of paper with any notes you like.
- Pens/pencils.
- You may not use anything else.

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Practice Quizzes (from 2013 and 2015):

- Posted today
- Covered in Discussion Group
- Quiz will be very similar in structure

Quiz Topics

Theory:

- Asymptotic analysis
- Simple recurrences
- Simple probability

Quiz Topics

Algorithms and data structures:

- Abstract Data Types
 - Bags, Lists, Stacks, Queues
- Divide-and-conquer
 - Binary search
 - Peak finding
- Sorting
 - BubbleSort, InsertionSort, SelectionSort, MergeSort, QuickSort
 - Reversal Sorting, The Birthday Party, etc.

Quiz Topics

Java:

- Object-oriented programming
 - Basic principles and implementation in Java
- Basic Java
 - classes and inheritance: class, interface, implements, extends
 - access control: public, private, protected, static
 - Generics
 - Comparable
 - Iterators
 - etc.....

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Quiz Advice:

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Get the maximum number of points you can.

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Get the maximum number of points you can.

- Do not leave easy questions blank.
- Give a simple solution for partial credit.
- Bypass questions instead of getting stuck.
- Show me what you know.

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Quiz Advice:

Be as clear as possible.

- Do not be ambiguous.
- Circle your final answer (if it is unclear).
- Cross out incorrect answers.
- Write neatly.

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Quiz Advice:

State your assumptions.

- If the question is ambiguous, state precisely what you are assuming.
- If your assumptions are reasonable, and your answer is correct subject to those assumptions, you will (most likely) get full credit!

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Quiz Advice:

Review the basics:

- Know the basic recurrences.
- Review how the algorithms we have studied work.
- Know the running time of the algorithms we have studied.

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Quiz Advice:

Review Java:

- Make sure you know what the different keywords mean.
- Try to generate examples that are correct **and** incorrect (e.g., DG 3).

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Quiz Advice:

Review problem solving strategies:

- Review problems we have solved on problem sets, in DG, in recitation, in class.
- What is the basic strategy used in the question?
 - Binary search? Divide-and-conquer? Sorting?
- What strategy is good for which types of problems?

Today's Plan

- ~~1. Exceptions and error handling~~
2. Problem: Scheduling Airplanes
3. Abstract Data Types:
 - Symbol Tables
 - Dictionaries
4. Linked Data Structures

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Airport Scheduling

Simple Runway Problem:

- Small airport (not Changi!) has 1 runway.
- Airplanes want to land:
 - Input: requested landing time
 - Requirement: 3 minutes between planes
 - Output: yes/no

Harder Airport Scheduling

Multiple Runway Problem:

- Changi airport has k runways.
- Airplanes want to land:
 - Given: requested landing time
 - Requirement: 3 minutes between planes
 - Output: yes/no

Not today...

- Think of scheduling computing jobs on a network.

Airport Scheduling

Simple Runway Problem:

- Small airport (not Changi) has 1 runway.
- Airplanes want to land:
 - Given: requested landing time
 - Requirement: 3 minutes between planes
 - Output: yes/no

```
interface IRunway{  
    // return true if scheduled for time t  
    // return false if scheduling fails  
    boolean requestLanding(Time t, Plane p);  
}
```

Airport Scheduling

Simple Runway Problem:

- Small airport (not Changi) has 1 runway.
- Airplanes want to land:
 - Given: requested landing time
 - Requirement: 3 minutes between planes
 - Output: yes/no
- Additional requirements:
 - How many planes scheduled between: 9:00-11:00am?
 - Cancel landing reservation.

Airport Scheduling

Implementing ideas?

Airport Scheduling

Algorithm 1:

- Maintain an unsorted list of landing times.

7:00	6:35	14:23	12:21	7:19	8:21	14:42			
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- On a request for time t , scan the list.
- If time t is safe, then add t to the end of the list.

7:00	6:35	14:23	12:21	7:19	8:21	14:42	t		
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Airport Scheduling

Better ideas?

Airport Scheduling

Algorithm 2:

- Maintain a sorted list of landing times.

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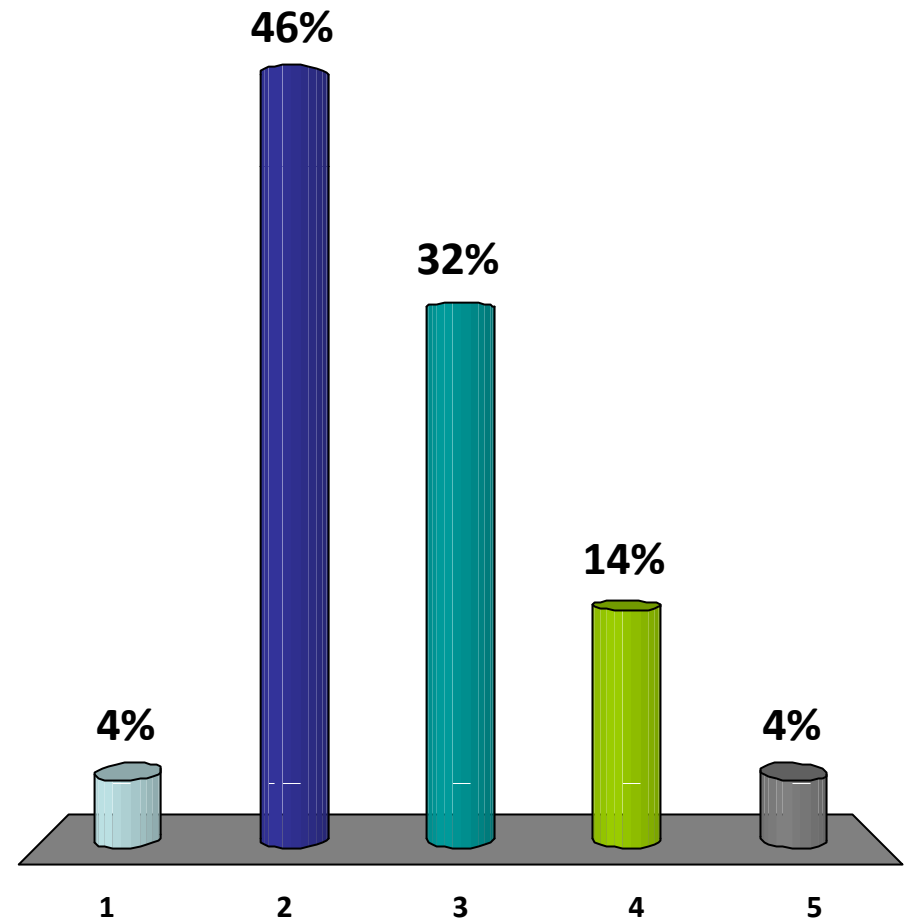
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- **Re-sort:**

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Running time for insertion Algorithm 2:

1. $O(\log n)$
2. $O(n)$
- ✓ 3. $O(n \log n)$
4. $O(n^2)$
5. $O(2^n)$



Airport Scheduling

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- Re-sort:

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Airport Scheduling

Algorithm 2b:

- Maintain a sorted list of landing times.

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- On a request for time t , binary search the list.
- If time t is safe, then make space for t by moving other times over.

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Running time: $O(n)$

Airport Scheduling

Algorithm 3:

- Maintain a list of all times.

...	7:00	7:01	7:02	7:03	7:04	7:05	7:06	7:07	...
		X			?			X	

- If times: $[t-2, t-1, t, t+1, t+2]$ are free, schedule plane.

Running time: $O(1)$

Space: $(24*60)$

What if arrival times are not on-the-minute?

Airport Scheduling

Algorithm 3:

- Maintain a list of all times.

...	7:00	7:01	7:02	7:03	7:04	7:05	7:06	7:07	...
		X			?			X	

Problems:

What if arrival times are not on-the-minute?

Total number of scheduled planes?

Next scheduled plane after 7:00pm?

Scheduling

Simple Runway Problem:

- 1 runway.
- Airplanes want to land

Complicated Runway Problem

- Multiple runways
- Airplanes want to land

Discrete Event Simulation

- System with ongoing events
- Subject to constraints

Abstraction

Key advantages

- Separate interface and implementation
- Hide implementation details
- Modularity: implement/analyze components separately

Abstract Data Types

Specification:

- Interface
- Behavior

Implementation:

- Application dependent
- Array or List or Stack or Queue or ...

Abstract Data Types

What type of data?

Key-Value pairs

- key : search index for the pair
- value : main object being stored

Examples:

- (time, airplane)
- (pilot, airplane)
- (pilot, identification-number)

Abstract Data Types

Example (key, value) pairs

Key	1	2	5	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Data	a	b	C	g	h	D	j	k	l	m

Abstract Data Types

Symbol Table

Interface:

- void insert(KType key, VType value)
- VType search(KType key)

Behavior:

- insert : adds (key, value) to table
- search : returns value associated with specified key (or null, if not available)

Symbol Table

Examples:

Dictionary: **key** = word
 value = definition

Phone Book **key** = name
 value = phone number

Internet DNS **key** = website URL
 value = IP address

Java compiler **key** = variable name
 value = type and value

Symbol Table

Example:

Insert data:

insert(9:30, planeAAA)

insert(10:00, plane BBB)

Query data:

search(9:30) => **planeAAA**

search(10:00) => **planeBBB**

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Abstract Data Types

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public class SymbolTable<Key extends Comparable<Key>, Value>
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    SymbolTable() constructor
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    void insert(Key k, Value v) insert (k,v) into table
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```
    Value search(Key k) get value paired with k
```

```
    void delete(Key k) remove key k (and value)
```

```
    boolean contains(Key k) is there a value for k?
```

```
    int size() number of (k,v) pairs
```

Symbol Table

Interface Ambiguities

Can you insert a null value? **NO**

`insert(10, null)`

If you search for a non-existent key?

`search(10) = null`

If you re-insert a key with a new value?

`insert(10, AAA)`

`insert(10, BBB)`

BBB overwrites AAA

Symbol Table

Why?

Easy to implement contains():

```
public boolean contains(Key k){  
    return (search(k) != null);  
}
```

Easy to implement (lazy) delete():

```
public void delete(Key k){  
    insert(k, null);  
}
```

Symbol Table

Key Mutability

```
SymbolTable<Time, Plane> t =  
    new SymbolTable<Time, Plane>();  
  
Time t1 = new Time(9:00);  
Time t2 = new Time(9:15);  
  
t.insert(t1, "SQ0001");  
t.insert(t2, "SQ0002");  
  
t1.setTime(10:00);  
  
x = new Time(9:00);  
t.search(x);
```

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t.insert(t2, "SQ");
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Moral: Keys should be immutable.

Examples: Integer, String

Abstract Data Types

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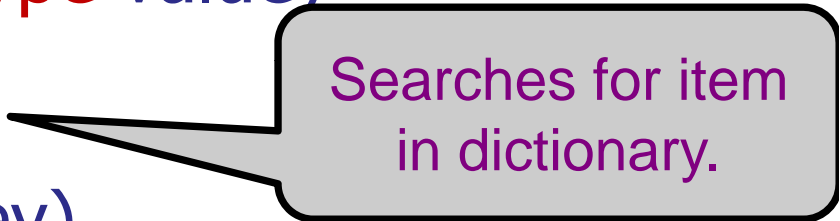
Adds new item to dictionary.

Abstract Data Types

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Searches for item
in dictionary.

Abstract Data Types

Dictionary

Interface:

- void insert(KType key, VType value)
- VType search(KType key)
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Find first item in dictionary that is bigger than **key**.

Find biggest item in dictionary that is smaller than **key**.

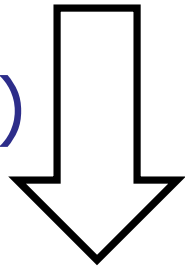
KType must implement Comparable<KType>

Airport Scheduling

Dictionary

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SIA-07	SIA-12	SIA-01	UA-10	DAL-32	JAL-42	SIA-09			

insert(*t*, *A*)



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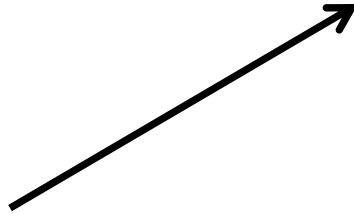
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- `search(8:24) → false`
- `search(8:21) → true`

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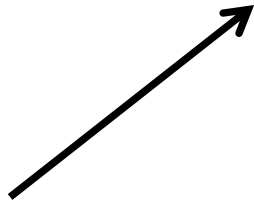


– $\text{successor}(8:24) = 12:21$

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– predecessor(8:24) = 8:21

Question: should successor/predecessor return a key or a value?

Airport Scheduling

```
class SimpleRunway implements IRunway{
    Dictionary dict<Time, Plane>;

    boolean requestLanding(Time t, Plane p){
        if (dict.search(t) != null) return false; // Check time t
        Integer pred = dict.predecessor(t); // Check predecessor
        if ((t - pred) <= 3) return false;
        Integer succ = dict.successor(t); // Check successor
        if ((succ - t) <= 3) return false;
        dict.insert(t, p); // Insert new item
        return true;
    }
}
```

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```

```
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```

```
        return true;
```

```
    }
```

```
}
```

Bug: can't subtract
Time class

Bug: What if
pred/succ is null?

Summary

1. Problem: Scheduling Airplanes

- Implement via Dictionary

2. Abstract Data Types:

- Symbol Tables
- Dictionaries

Dictionary

Implementation

Option 1: Unsorted array

- insert: add to end of array --- $O(1)$
- search : linear search through array --- $O(n)$

Dictionary

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Option 1: Unsorted array

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- search : linear search through array --- $O(n)$

Option 2: Sorted array

- insert: add to middle of array --- $O(n)$
- search : binary search in array --- $O(\log n)$

Dictionary

Array Implementation Problems

Problem 1: Too slow

- Operations have $O(n)$ cost.
- Not today...

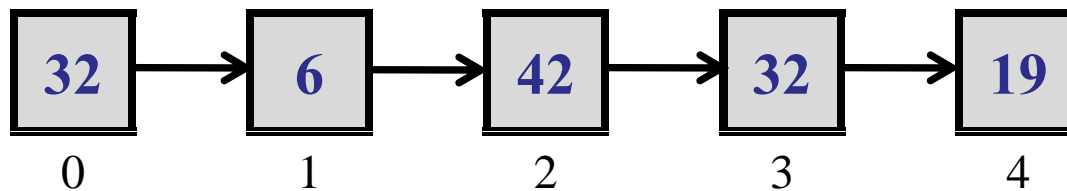
Problem 2: How big an array?

- Solution 1: today
- Solution 2: in a few weeks

Linked List Implementation

Basic structure:

- Chained array of ListNodes.

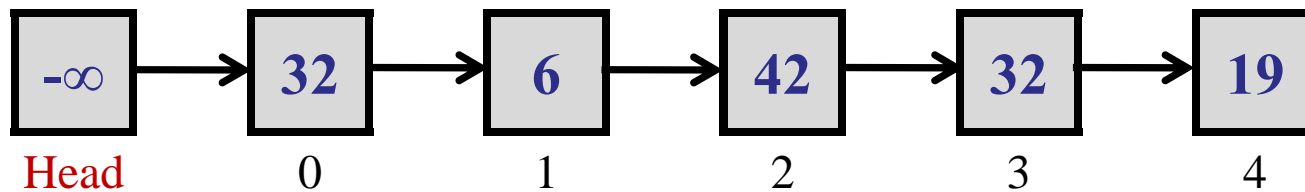


```
class ListNode<Key extends Comparable<Key>>{  
    private ListNode<Key> m_next = null;  
    private Key m_key = null;  
    ...  
}
```

Linked List Implementation

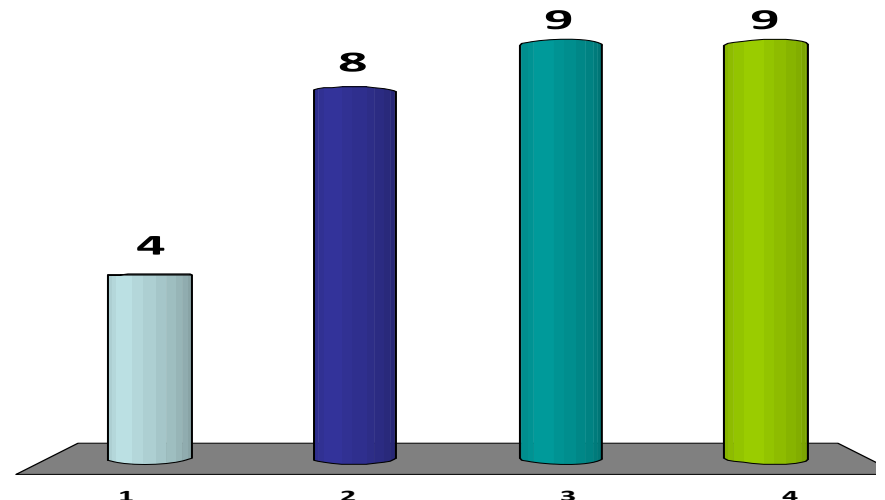
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- Chained array of ListNodes.
- Special head node.



Why do we keep a separate special head node? Which of the following is **WRONG**?

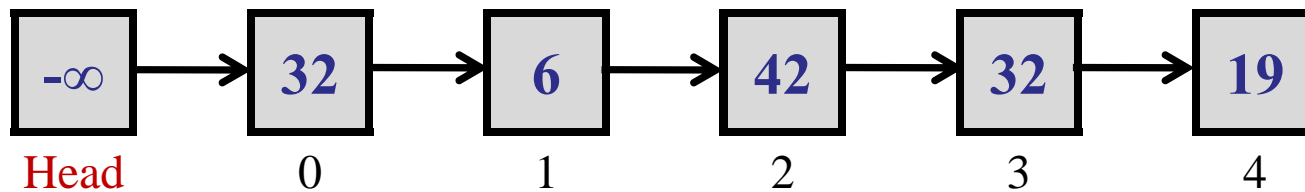
1. To avoid special code for an empty list.
2. To store extra information (e.g., the size of the list)
- ✓ 3. To make the program run faster.
4. To simplify pre-pending an item to the list.



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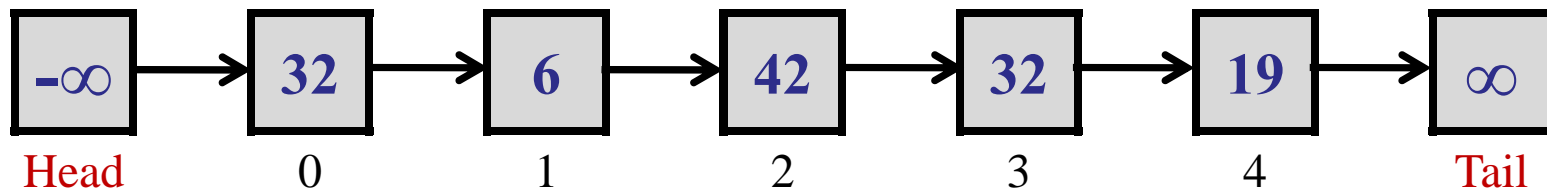
```
private ListNode<Key> m_list = null;

void doSomething(Key k){
    m_list.delete(k);
}
```

Linked List Implementation

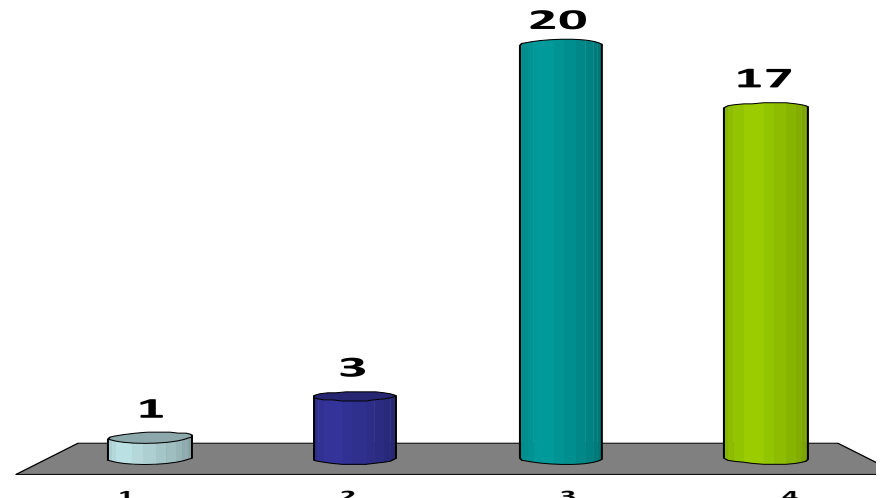
Basic structure:

- Chained array of ListNodes.
- Special head node.
- Special tail node.



Why do we add special tail node?

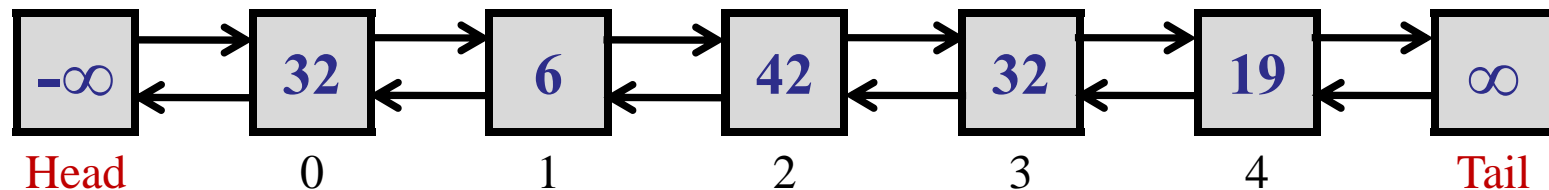
1. To avoid special code for an empty list.
2. To store extra information.
3. To avoid accidentally traversing off the end of the list.
- ✓ 4. To allow for fast appending at the end.



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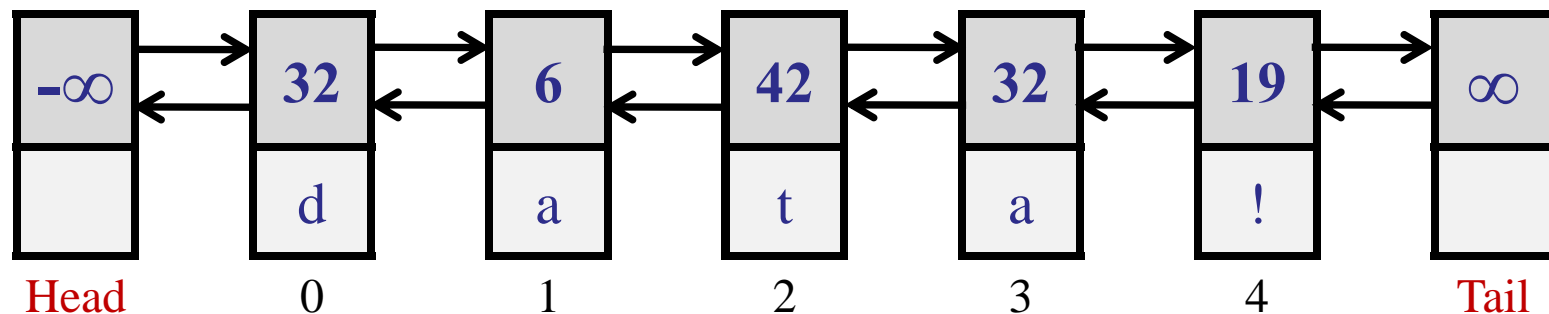
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- Special tail node.
- Doubly-linked.



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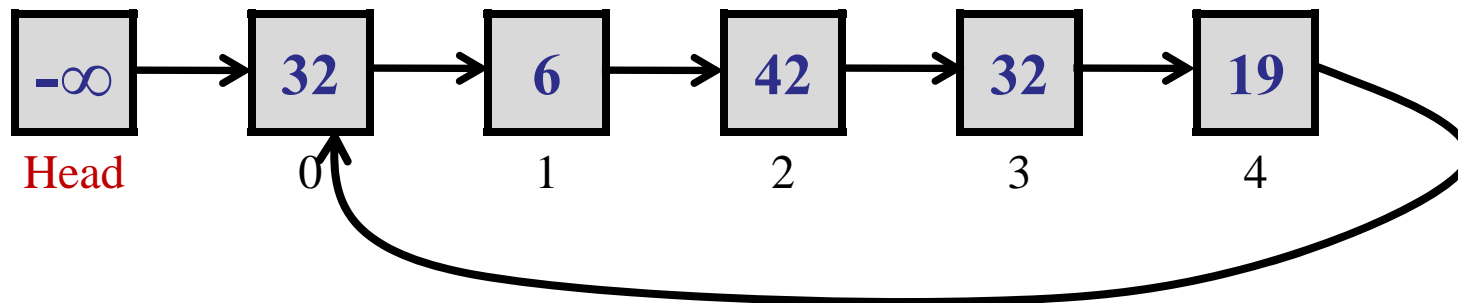
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- Doubly-linked.
- Add cells for data.



Linked List Implementation

Basic structure:

- Chained array of ListNodes.
- Special head node.
- Special tail node.
- Doubly-linked.
- Add cells for data.
- Circular-linked

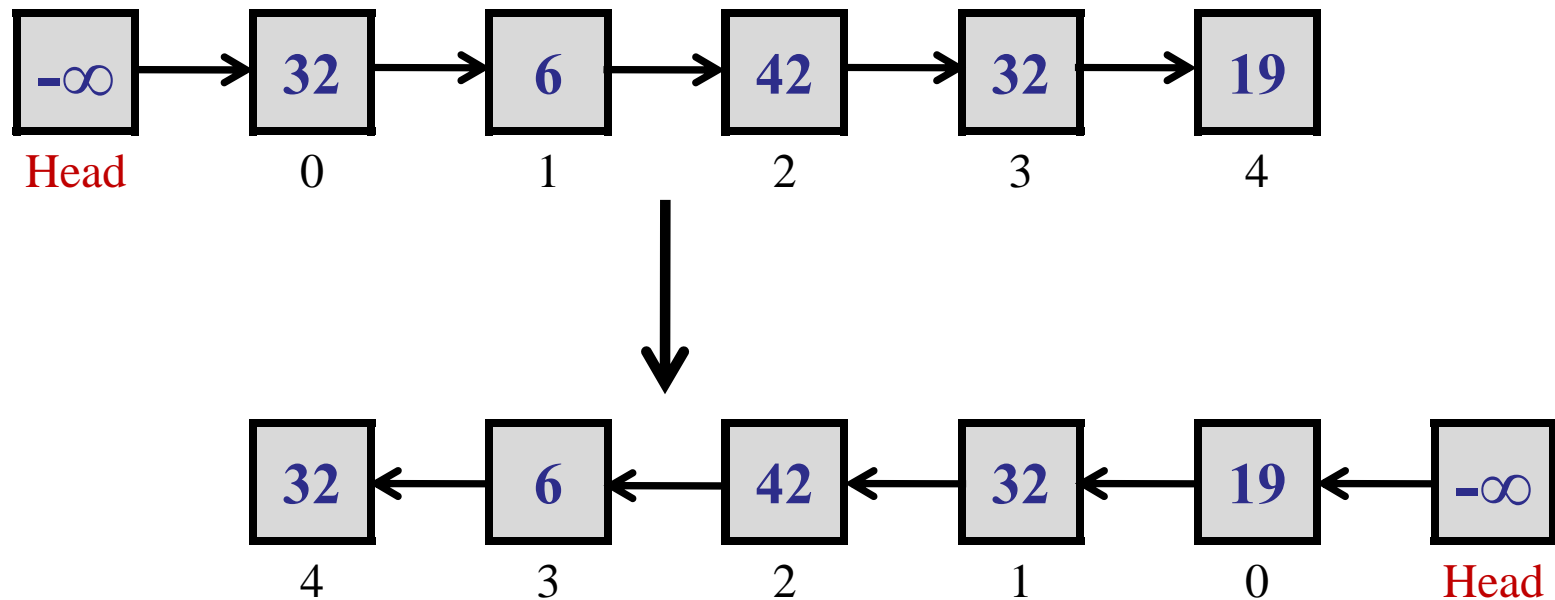


Puzzle Break

Standard Interview Question 1:

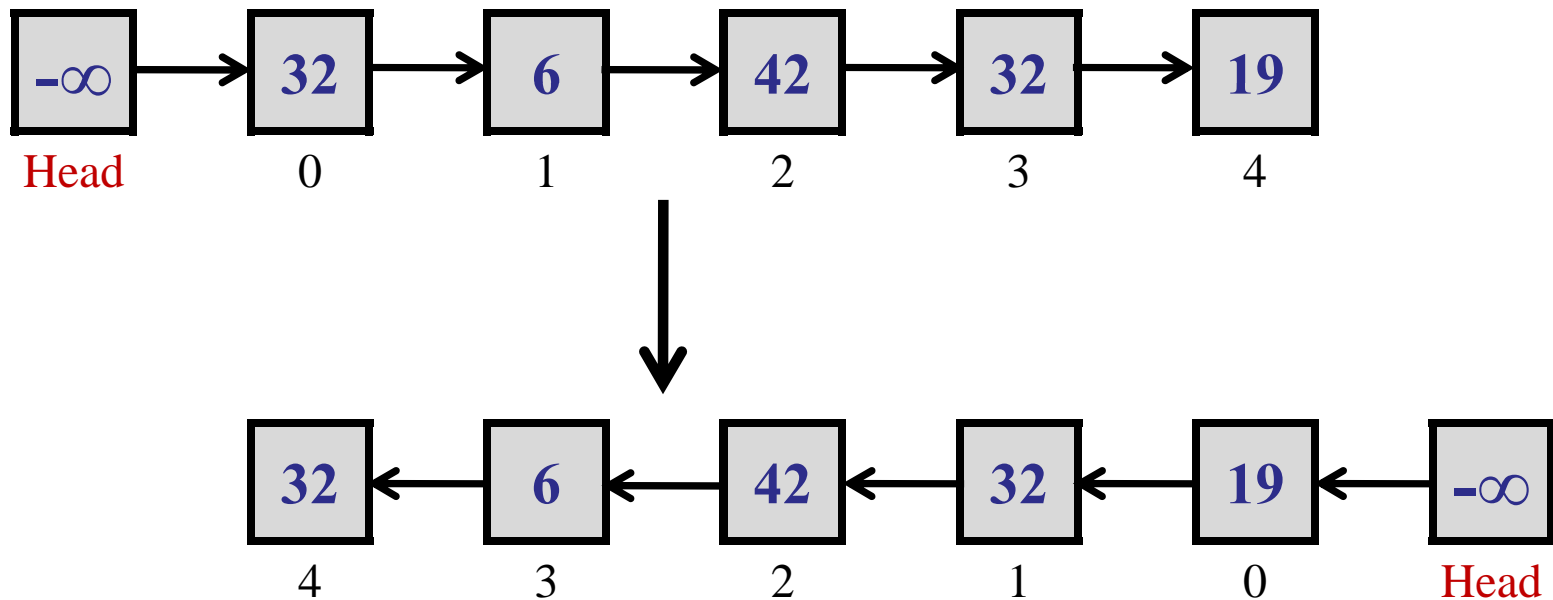
Input: Head pointer to a singly linked list.

Output: Head of reversed linked list



Puzzle Break

```
void reverseList(ListNode<Key> list){  
    // Your code here (3-4 lines?)  
}
```



Linked Data Structures

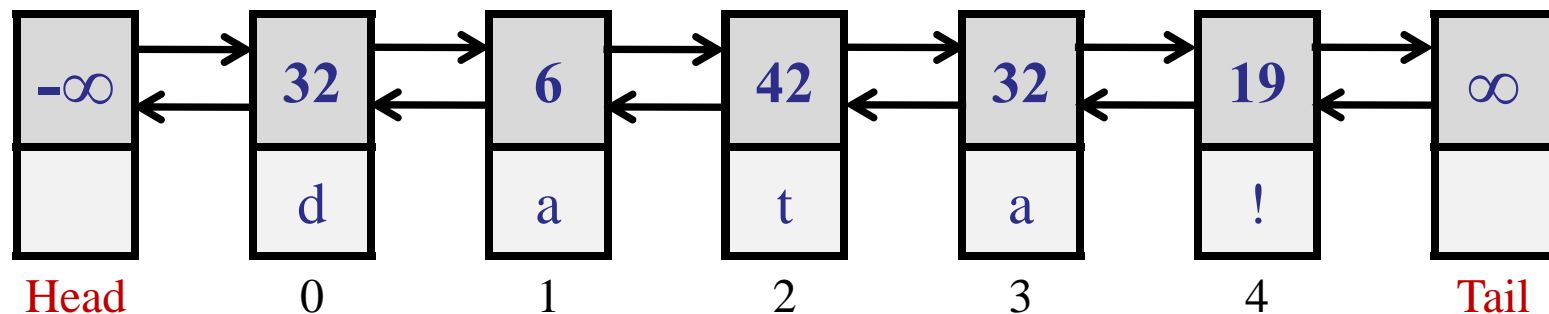
Challenge:

- You only have access to one node in the structure at a time.
- You cannot access arbitrary parts of the data structure.
- If you “lose” your handle, the whole structure is lost.

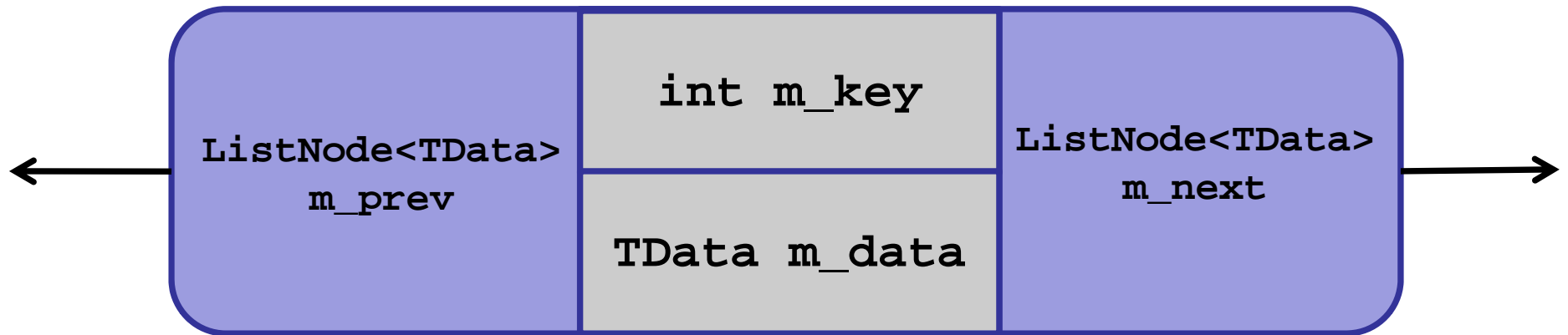
Linked Lists and Dictionaries

Plan:

- Implementing a ListNode.
- Adding List functionality.
- Implement a Dictionary.



ListNode Implementation



```
public class ListNode<TData> {  
    int m_key;  
    TData m_data;  
    ListNode<TData> m_next;  
    ListNode<TData> m_prev;  
  
    ListNode(int key, TData data)  
    {  
        m_key = key;  
        m_data = data;  
        m_next = null;  
        m_prev = null;  
    }  
}
```

Type for data

Initialize all
in constructor

ListNode get/set methods

```
public int getKey()  
{  
    return m_key;  
}
```

```
public TData getData()  
{  
    return m_data;  
}
```

```
public ListNode<TData> getNext()  
{  
    return m_next;  
}
```

```
public ListNode<TData> getPrevious()  
{  
    return m_prev;  
}
```

```
public void setNext(ListNode<TData> nextNode)  
{  
    m_next = (ListNode<TData>)nextNode;  
}
```

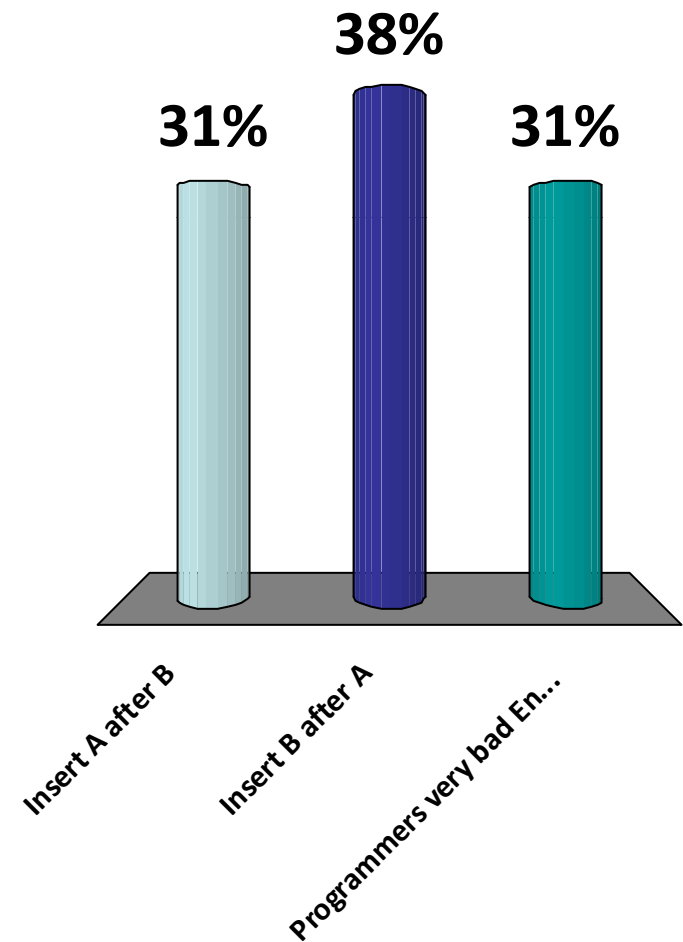
```
public void setPrevious(ListNode<TData> prevNode)  
{  
    m_prev = (ListNode<TData>)prevNode;  
}
```

If A and B are two nodes, callin
"`A.insertAfter(B)`" means

A. Insert A after B

→ B. Insert B after A

C. Programmers very
bad English One!



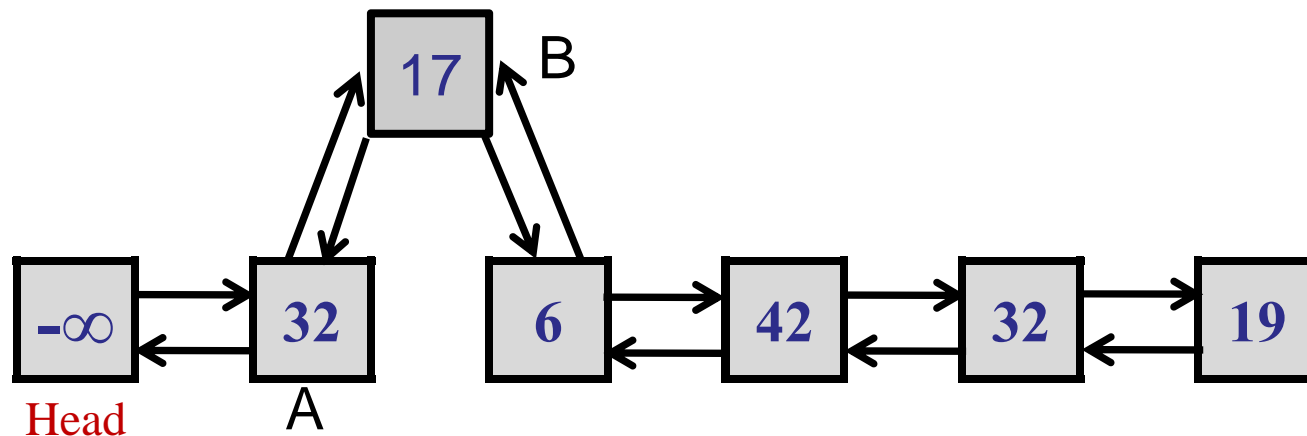
Starwars...



Inserting a ListNode

Plan:

- When we call `A.insertAfter(B)` it means insert the node "B" after "A"

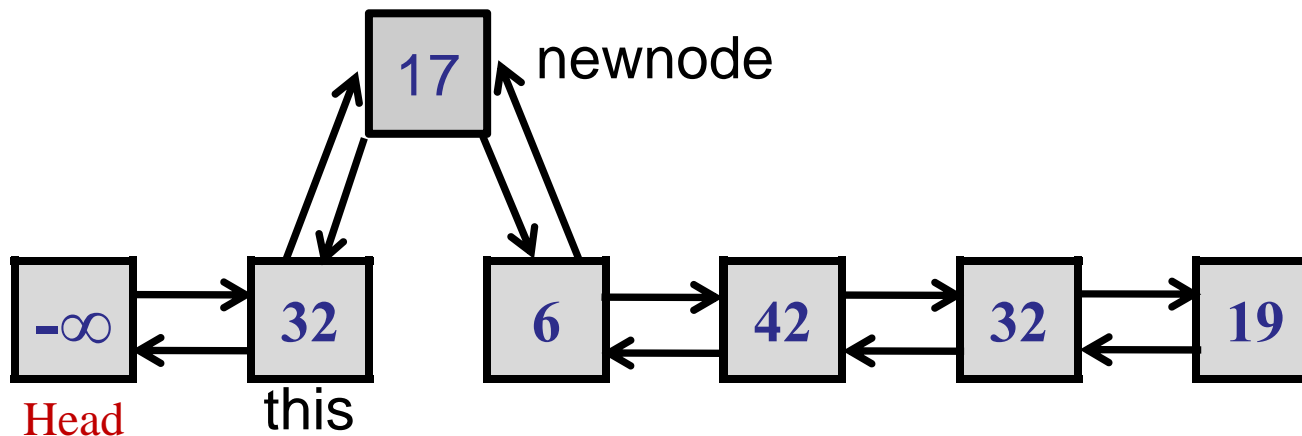


Inserting a ListNode

```
public void insertAfter(ListNode<TData> newNode)
{
    if (newNode == null) {
        return;
    }
    newNode.setPrevious(this);
    newNode.setNext(m_next);
    if (m_next != null) {
        m_next.setPrevious(newNode);
    }
    setNext(newNode);
}
```

Error?

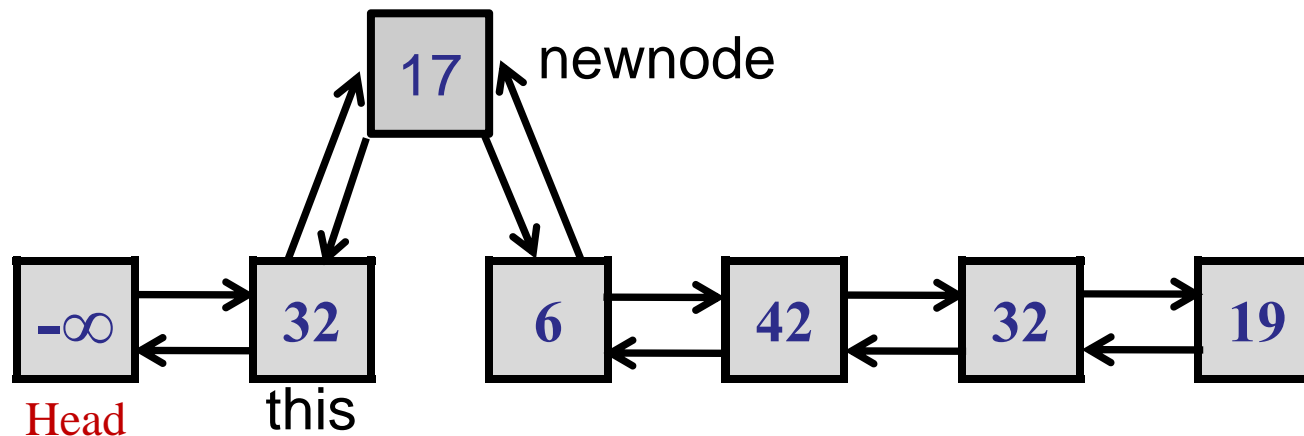
Pass reference to
this object.



Inserting a ListNode

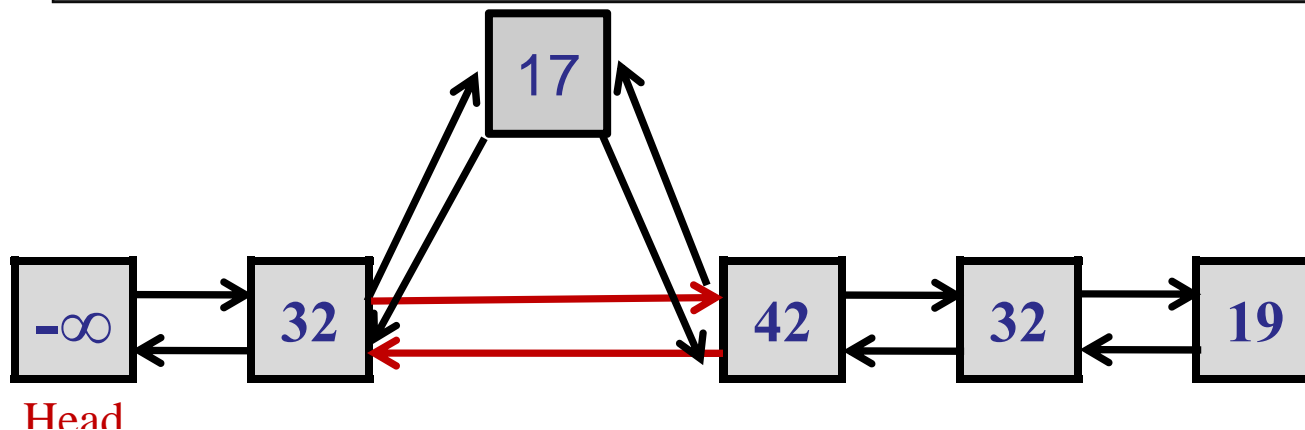
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    }
    setNext(newNode);
}
```

Can we do this
first in this
section?



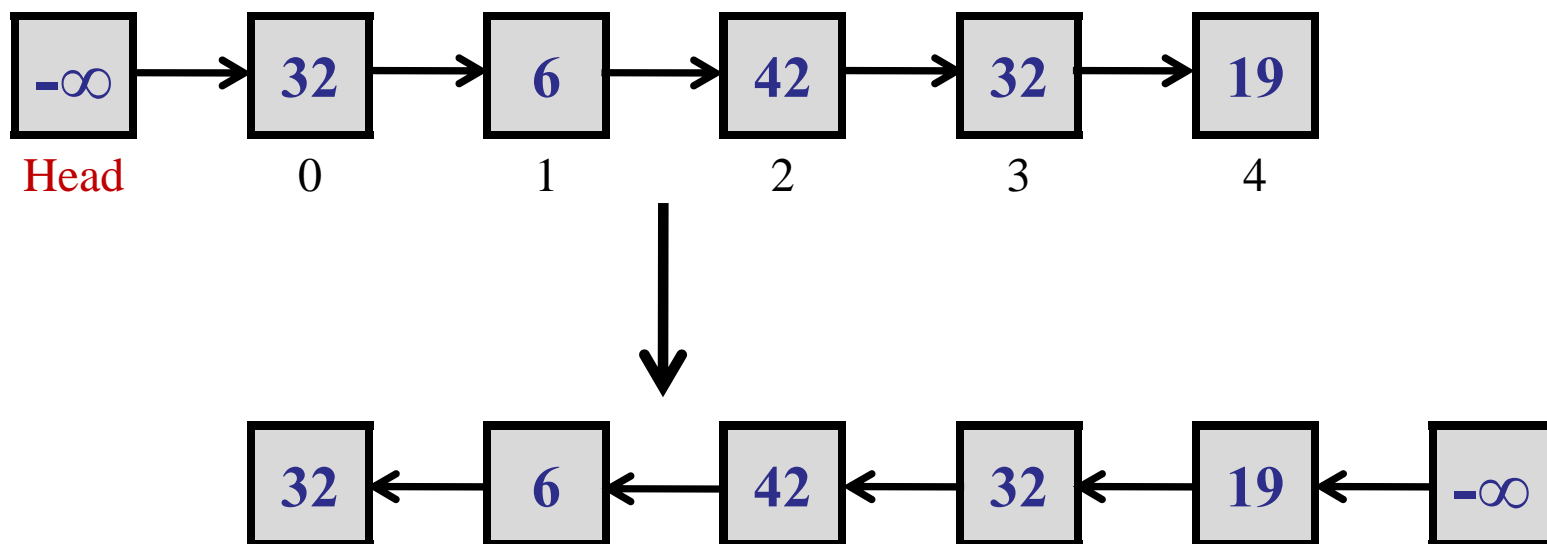
Deleting a ListNode

```
void delete() {  
    if (m_prev != null) {  
        m_prev.setNext(m_next);  
    }  
    if (m_next != null) {  
        m_next.setPrev(m_prev);  
    }  
    m_next = null;  
    m_prev = null;  
}
```



Puzzle Break

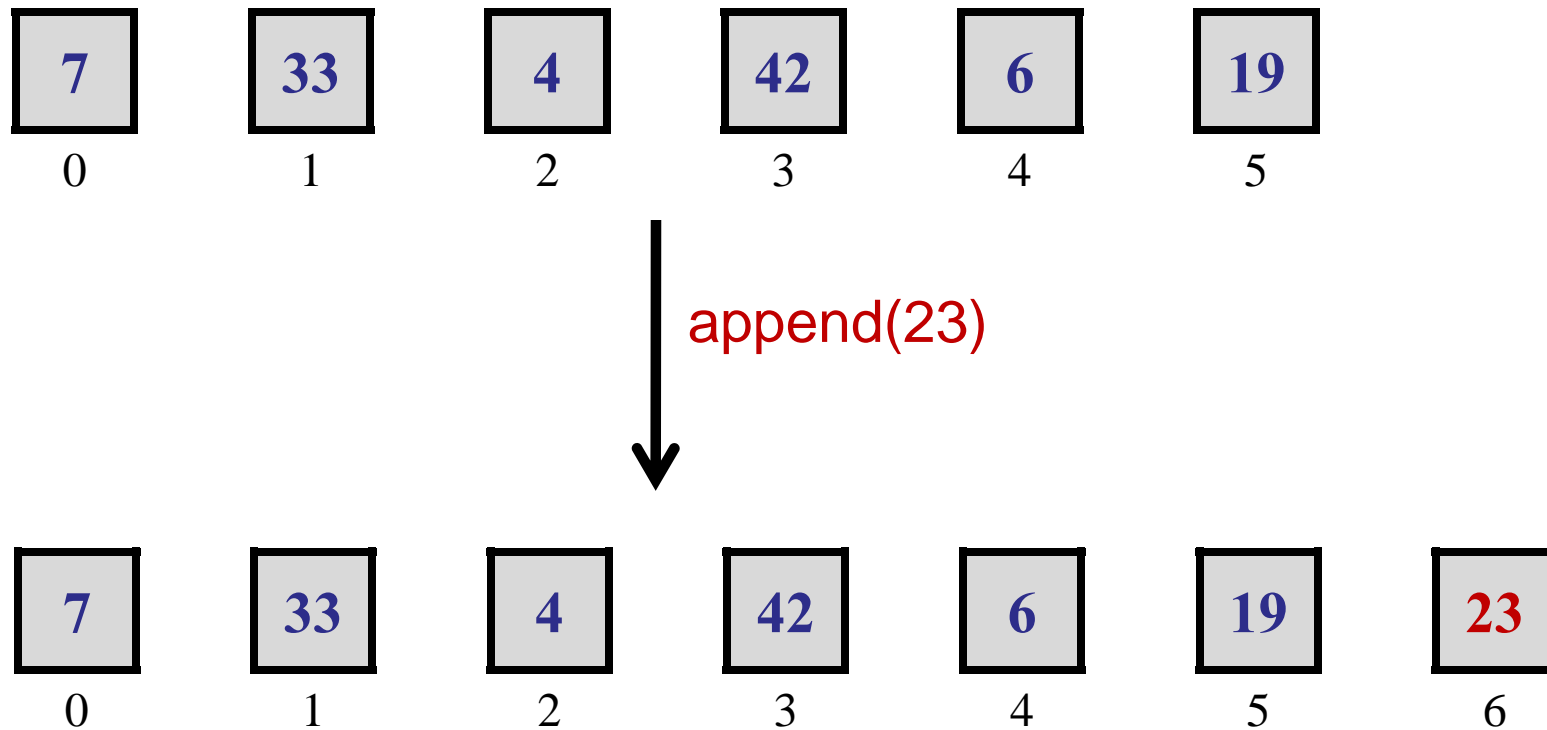
```
void reverseList(ListNode<Key> list){  
    next = list.getNext();  
    reverseList(next);  
    next.setNext(list);  
    list.setNext(null);  
}
```



Linked Lists

Basic list functionality:

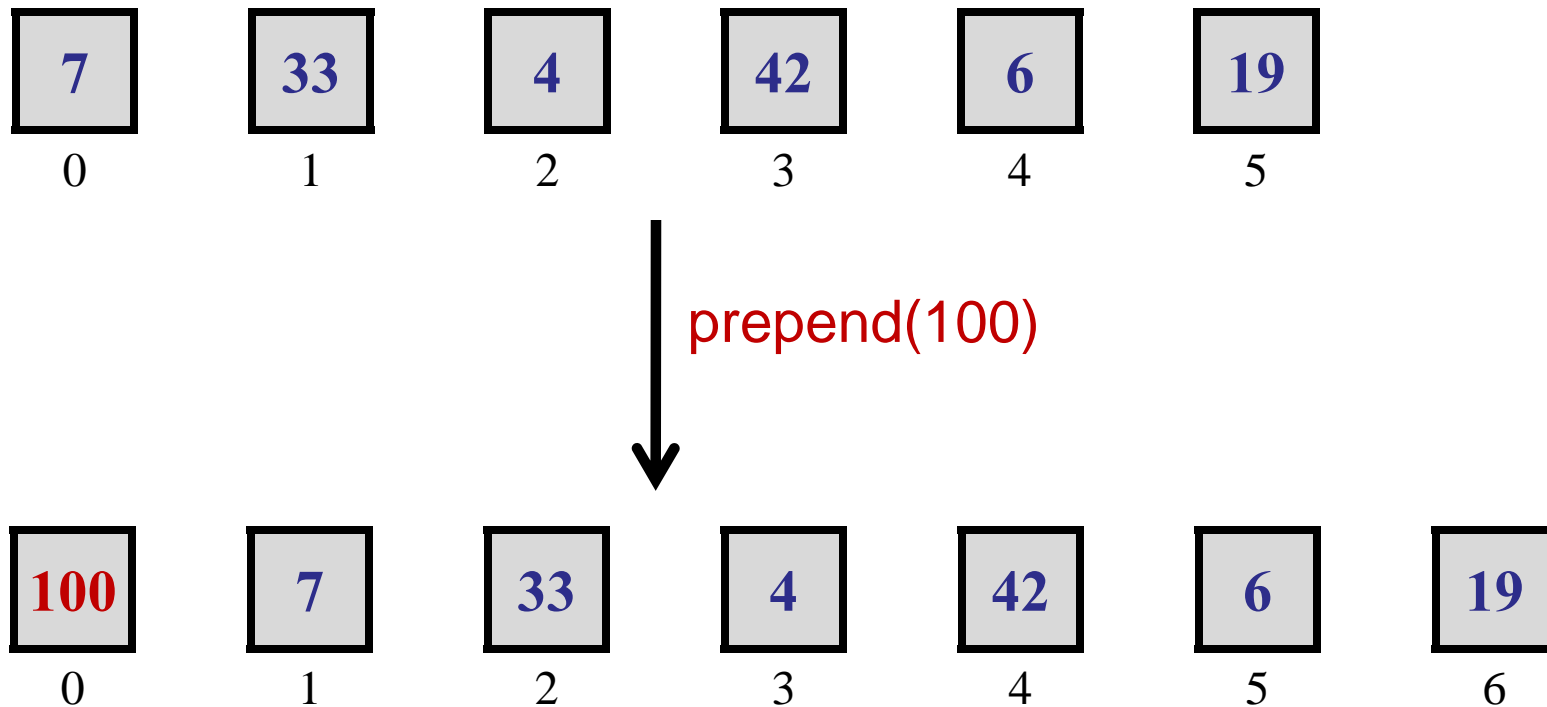
Add to end of list



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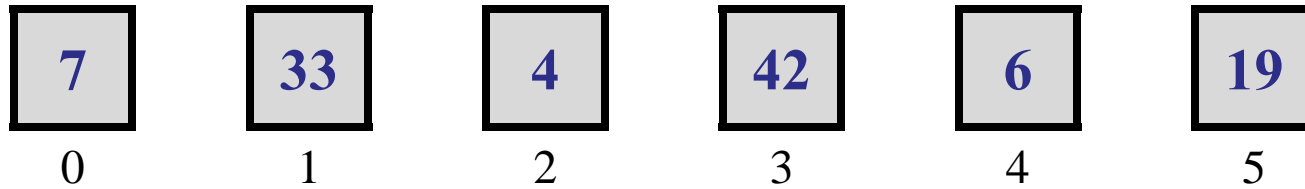
Add to beginning of list



Linked Lists

Basic list functionality:

Get the k^{th} element from list



$\text{get}(3) = 42$

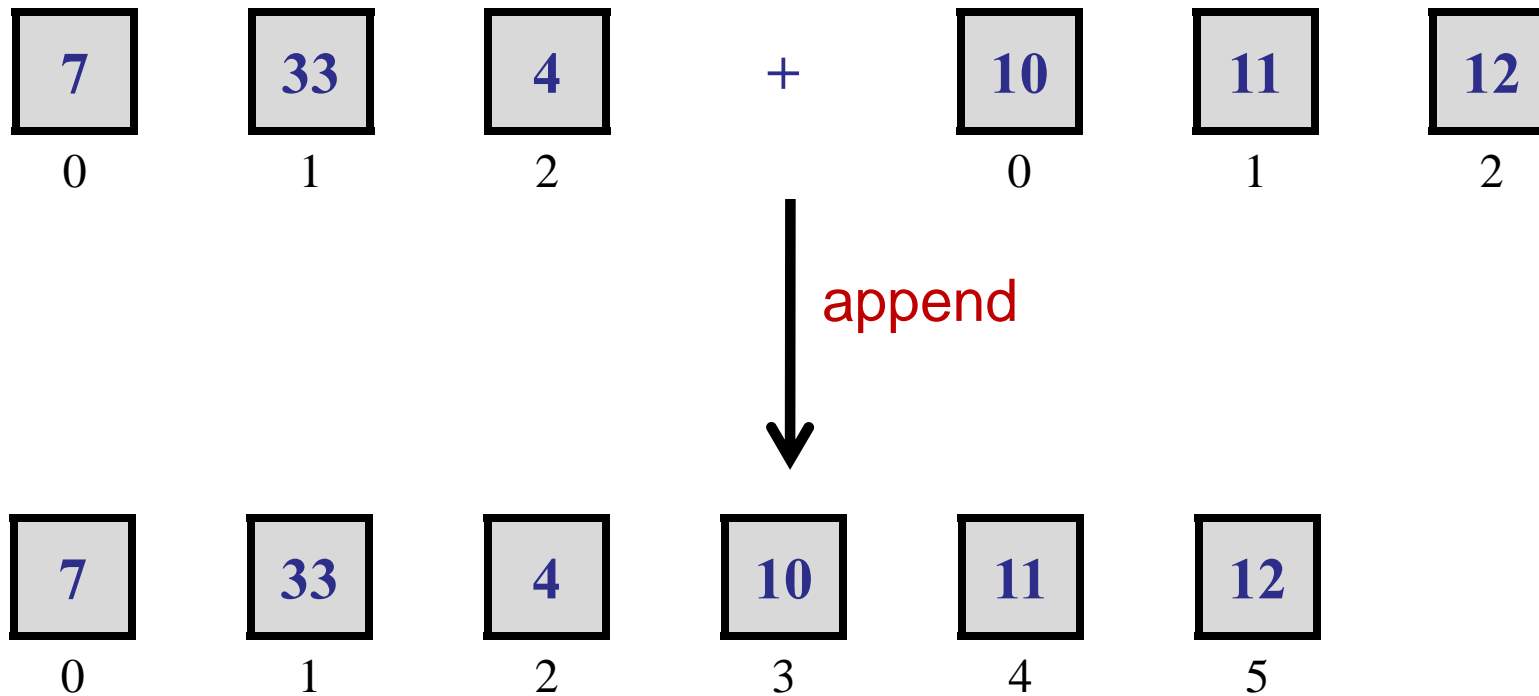
$\text{get}(0) = 7$

$\text{get}(6) = ??$

Linked Lists

Basic list functionality:

Concatenate two lists



Linked List

- Where to put the list functionality?
 - In the ListNode?
- How do we hide the list implementation?
 - Users don't care if it's a linked list or some other type of list.
 - The list should just work...

Linked List Implementation

Type for data

```
public class LinkedList<TData> implements IDictionary<TData> {
```

```
    /* Final variable*/
```

```
    public static final int HEAD_KEY = Integer.MIN_VALUE;
```

```
    public static final int TAIL_KEY = Integer.MAX_VALUE;
```

```
    /* Class Variables */
```

```
    private ListNode<TData> m_head = null;
```

```
    private ListNode<TData> m_tail = null;
```

```
    private int m_size = 0;
```

```
    /* Constructor */
```

```
    LinkedList()
```

```
    {
```

```
        m_head = new ListNode<TData>(HEAD_KEY, null);
```

```
        m_tail = new ListNode<TData>(TAIL_KEY, null);
```

```
        m_head.insertAfter(m_tail);
```

```
        m_size = 0;
```

```
    }
```

Sentinel / Dummy values

Head and tail of the list

Initialize all
in constructor

Adding an element to the linked list

```
public void prepend(int key, TData data) throws LinkedListException {  
    m_head.insertAfter(key, data);  
    m_size++;  
}
```

```
public void append(int key, TData data) throws LinkedListException{  
    m_tail.getPrevious().insertAfter(key, data);  
    m_size++;  
}
```

```
public int getSize() throws LinkedListException {  
    return m_size;  
}
```

```
public boolean isEmpty() throws LinkedListException{  
    return (m_size == 0);  
}
```

Linked List Implementation

Append: adds one list to another

```
void append(IDictionary<TData> addList) {  
    ...  
}
```

```
interface IDictionary<TData> {  
    ...  
    void append(IDictionary<Tdata> addList);  
}
```

Linked List Implementation

Append: adds one list to another

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Linked List Implementation

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Problem:

- What if `addList` is implemented in an array?
- Option 1: Copy the entire list. $[O(n)]$
- Option 2: Only append linked lists. $[O(1)]$

Linked List Implementation

Append: adds one list to another


```
void append(IDictionary<TData> addList){  
    if (!addList instanceof LinkedList){  
        // Error!  Not a linked list.  
    }  
    LinkedList<TData> addLink = addList;  
    ...  
}
```

Linked List Implementation

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}
```

Oops! Can't assign
IDictionary to LinkedList



Linked List Implementation

Append: adds one list to another

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    if (!addList instanceof LinkedList){  
        // Error! Not a linked list.  
    }  
    LinkedList<TData> addLink;  
    addLink = (LinkedList<TData>)(addList);  
    ...  
}
```

Cast: unsafe operation?



Appending a linked list

```
public void append(IDictionary<TData> newList)
    throws LinkedListException{

    // Check whether the list is a LinkedList.
    // If not, throw an exception.
    if (!(newList instanceof LinkedList)){
        throw new LinkedListException();
    }

    ListNode<TData> lastNode = m_tail.getPrevious();

    ListNode<TData> firstNewNode =
        ((LinkedList<TData>)newList).m_head.getNext();

    lastNode.appendList(firstNewNode);
    m_tail = ((LinkedList<TData>)newList).m_tail;
    m_size += ((LinkedList<TData>)newList).m_size;
}
```

Is it a linked list?

If not... error.

We know it is a LinkedList....

Beware instance of

In general, this is a bad design!

Beware instanceof

In general, this is a bad design!

- Fragile: breaks in unexpected ways.
- Violates the contract: it promises to append lists, but doesn't.

Beware instanceof

What is wrong here?

```
void exercise(Animal myPetRoofus){  
    if (myPetRoofus instanceof Dog){  
        Dog d = (Dog)myPetRoofus;  
        d.run();  
    }  
    else if (myPetRoofus instanceof Fish){  
        Fish f = (Fish)myPetRoofus;  
        f.swim();  
    }  
}
```

What if you implement new classes of GoldFish and GoldenRetriever?

Beware instance of

Polymorphism!

```
void exercise(Animal myPetRoofus){  
    myPetRoofus.move( );  
}
```

Override **move** in Dog/Fish class to run/swim.

Linked List Implementation

Append: adds one linked list to another

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```

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Linked List Implementation

Append: adds one linked list to another

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    ...  
}
```

One solution:

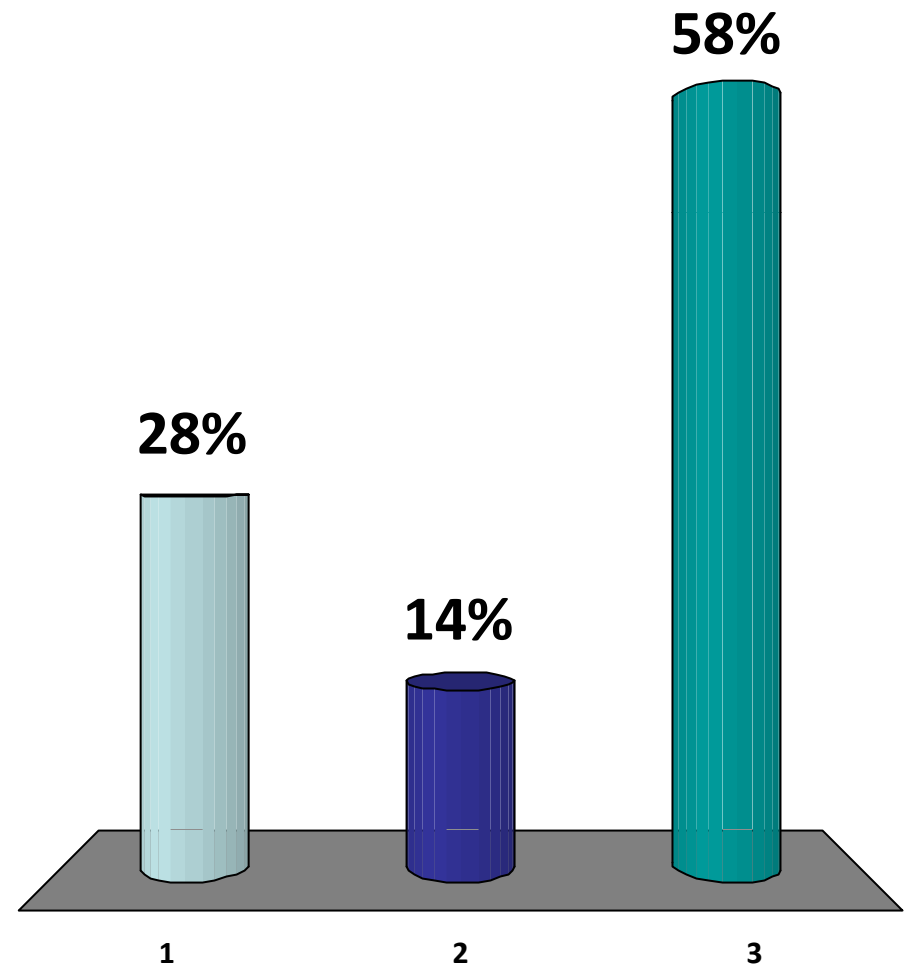
- Add to the interface:
 - toLinkedList()
 - toArray ()
- Append requests the Dictionary be translated...

Dictionary Interface

void	insert(Key k, Value v)	<i>insert (k,v) into table</i>
Value	search(Key k)	<i>get value paired with k</i>
Key	successor(Key k)	<i>find next key > k</i>
Key	predecessor(Key k)	<i>find next key < k</i>
void	delete(Key k)	<i>remove key k (and value)</i>
bool	contains(Key k)	<i>is there a value for k?</i>
int	size()	<i>number of (k,v) pairs</i>

How to implement dictionary?

1. Sorted linked list
2. Unsorted linked list
3. Does not matter

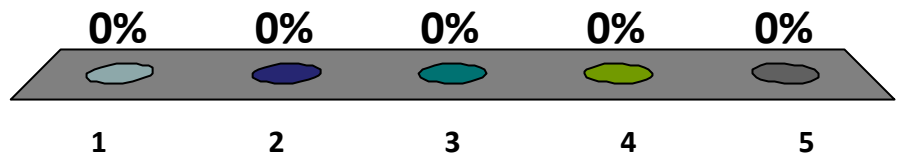


Dictionary Implementation

- Unsorted list:
 - Search entire list: $O(n)$
 - Insert at head (or tail): $O(1)$
- Sorted list:
 - Search (almost) entire list: $O(n)$
 - Insert in middle: $O(n)$

Can we use binary search?

1. Yes: as usual.
- ✓ 2. No: must start at head or tail.
3. No: keys may not be Comparable
4. No: requires too much space
5. None of the above.



Dictionary Implementation

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Dictionary Implementation

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 - Successor: $O(n)$
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 - Search (almost) entire list: $O(n)$
 - Insert in middle: $O(n)$
 - Successor: ??

Dictionary Implementation

Sorted list:

- Search (almost) entire list: $O(n)$
- Insert in middle: $O(n)$
- Successor: $O(n)$

```
Key successor(Key k){  
    ListNode keyNode = list.search(k);  
    return keyNode.getNext().getKey();  
}
```

Dictionary Implementation

Sorted list:

- Search (almost) entire list: $O(n)$
- Insert in middle: $O(n)$
- Successor: $O(1)$

```
Key successor(ListNode keyNode) {  
    // Directly return successor  
    return keyNode.getNext().getKey();  
}
```

Searching the Dictionary

```
Value search(Key key){  
    ListNode<Key, Value> current = m_head;  
    while (current != null) && (current != m_tail) {  
        if (current.m_key.compareTo(key)==0)  
            return current.m_value;  
        else if (current.m_key.compareTo(key)>0)  
            return null;  
        current = current.m_next;  
    }  
    return null;  
}
```

Dictionary Implementation

Sorted list:

- Search (almost) entire list: $O(n)$
- Insert in middle: $O(n)$
 - Search for location to insert
 - Append new ListNode
- Successor: $O(n)$
 - Search for key in list
 - Return next ListNode

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Abstract Data Types

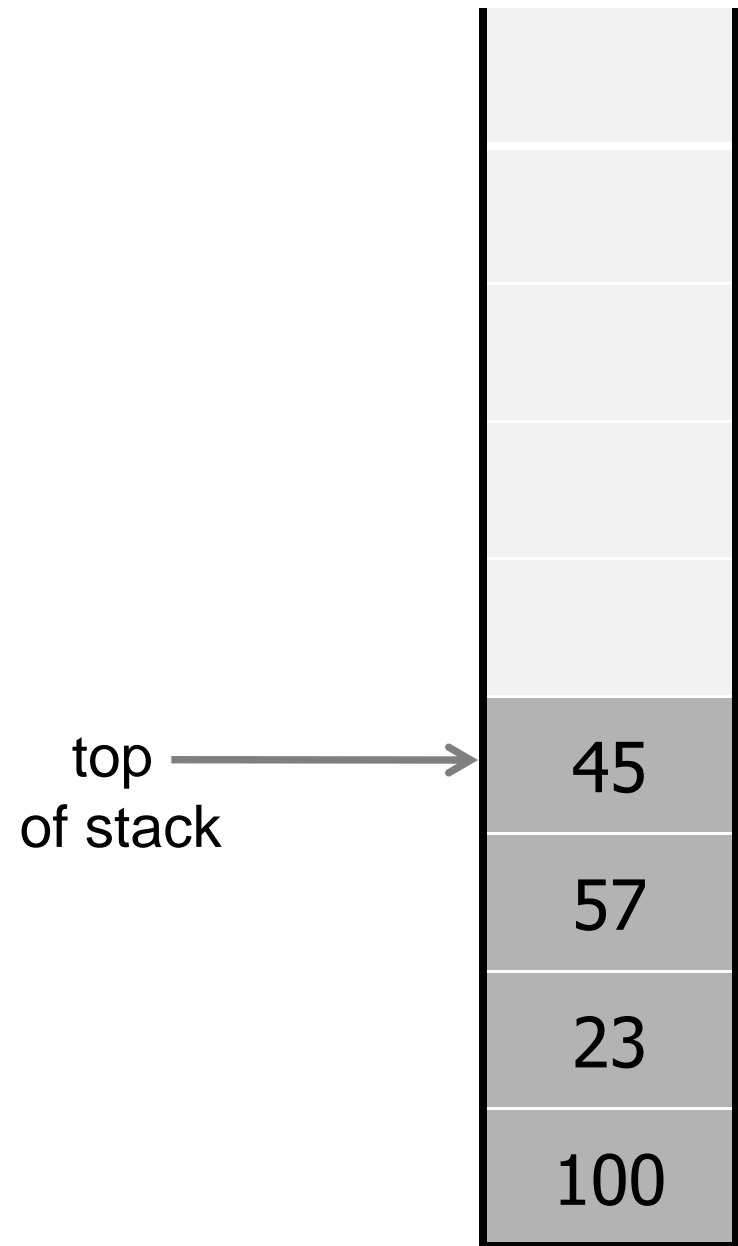
Stack

Interface:

- void push(element x)
- element pop()
- empty()

Exercise:

Implement Stack using a
LinkedList.



Abstract Data Types

Queue

Interface:

- void enqueue(element x)
- element dequeue()

Exercise:

Implement Queue using a LinkedList.

Iterators

Dictionary

What if I want cheaper successor queries?

Iterators

Dictionary

What if I want to list everything in the dictionary in sorted order?

```
for (word in dictionary) {  
    // Print word  
    System.out.println(word);  
}
```

Iterators

List or Bag or Stack or Queue

- Implemented as Linked List or in array

```
for (item in list) {  
    // operate on item  
    process(item);  
}
```

Iterators

Iterator interface

interface **Iterator<Type>**

boolean hasNext()

*true: if there are more elements
false: if no more elements in list*

Type next()

returns next element

void remove()

Optional

Iterators

Iterator interface

interface **Iterator<Type>**

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*true: if there are more elements
false: if no more elements in list*

Type next()

returns next element

void remove()

Optional

interface **Iterable<Type>**

Iterator<Type> iterator()

*returns an iterator for the
collection*

Iterator Example

class ListOfStrings can be iterated:

```
class ListOfStrings implements Iterable<String> {  
  
    Iterator<String> iterator(){  
        Iterator<String> iter = new SListIterator(this);  
        return iter;  
    }  
}
```

Iterator Example

Using an iterator:

```
Iterator<String> stackIterator = myStack.iterator();

while (stackIterator.hasNext()) {
    String nextString = stackIterator.next();
    System.out.println(nextString);
}
```

Iterator Example

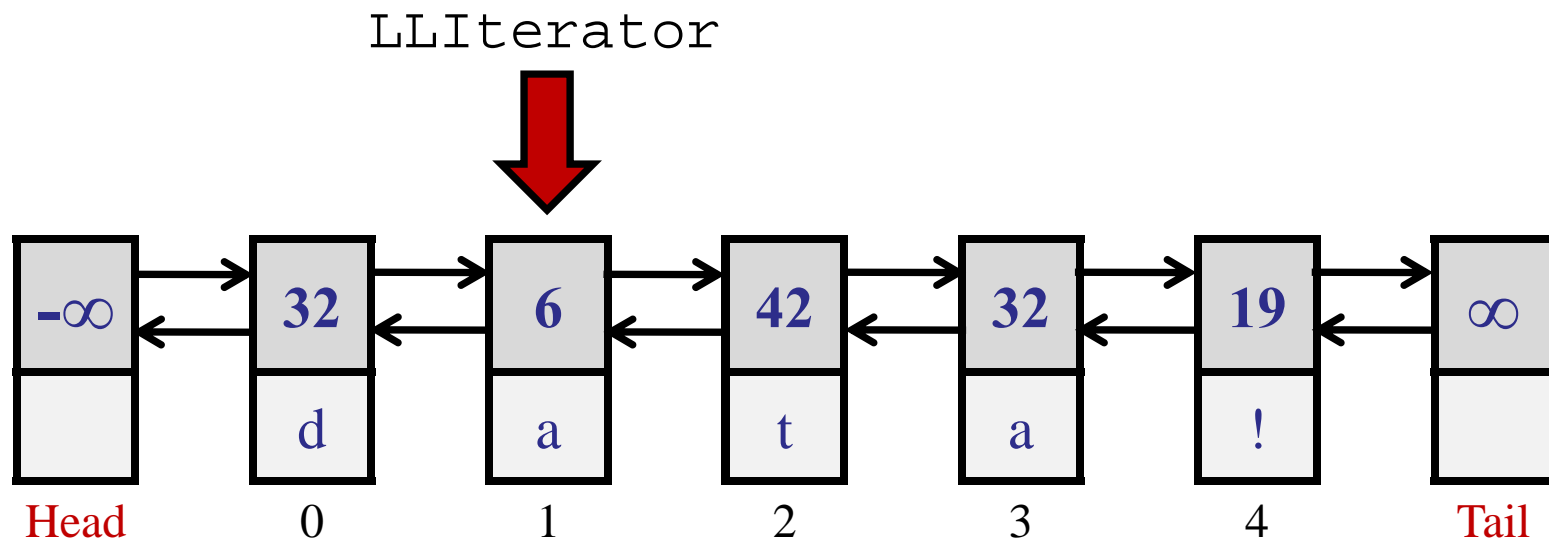
Using an iterator: enhanced for loops

```
Iterator<String> stackIterator = myList.iterator();  
  
for (String s : stackIterator){  
    System.out.println(s);  
}
```

Linked List Iterator

Implement a LinkedListIterator:

- Reference (pointer) to some node in the list.
- Goal: hide implementation
- Problem: cannot simple use ListNode reference.



Iterator Implementation

Inner (nested) class

```
public class LinkedList<T> {  
    ListNode m_head;  
    ... // Code for List goes here  
    private class LLIterator implements Iterator<T> {  
        private ListNode current = m_head.getNext();  
        public boolean hasNext() {return current != null;}  
        public T next(){  
            if (!hasNext())  
                throw new NoSuchElementException();  
            T item = current;  
            current = current.getNext();  
            return item;  
        }  
    }  
}
```

Nested Classes

- Inner Class
 - Defined within another class
 - Associated with an instance.
 - Has access to private variables within class.
- Static Nested Class
 - Defined with another class
 - Associated with a class.
 - Otherwise, unrelated.
 - Mainly for organization.

Iterator Implementation

Inner (nested) class

```
public class Outer {  
    int m_number;  
  
    public class Inner {  
        public int getNumber() {return m_number;}  
    }  
}
```

```
Outer.Inner foo = new Outer.Inner();
```



No!! Which instance is this for?

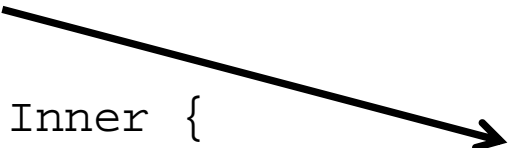
Iterator Implementation

Inner (nested) class

```
public class Outer {  
    int m_number;
```

No!! Which instance is this for?

```
        public static class Inner {  
            public int getNumber() {return m_number;}  
        }  
    }  
}
```



```
Outer.Inner foo = new Outer.Inner();
```



Yes!! Outer.Inner is static.

Iterator Implementation

Inner (nested) class

```
public class Outer {  
    int m_number;  
  
    public static class Inner {  
        public int getNumber() {return 17;}  
    }  
}
```

```
Outer.Inner foo = new Outer.Inner();
```



Yes!! Outer.Inner is static.

Iterator Implementation

Inner (nested) class

```
public class Outer {  
    int m_number = 17;  
  
    public class Inner {  
        public int getNumber() {return m_number;}  
    }  
  
    public Inner getInner() {return new Inner();}  
}
```

```
Outer foo = new Outer();  
Outer.Inner bar = foo.getInner();  
System.out.println(bar.getNumber());
```

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            current = current.getNext();  
            return item;  
        }  
    }  
}
```

List Iterator Implementations

Exercise:

- Implement a `FixedLengthList` that is `Iterable`.
- Implement an `Iterator` for your list.

Today's Plan

1. Exceptions and error handling
2. Problem: Scheduling Airplanes
3. Abstract Data Types:
 - Symbol Tables
 - Dictionaries
4. Linked Data Structures

test in words.

spare (spär), *v.t.* to use in a frugal manner; part with without inconvenience; omit; treat tenderly: *v.i.* to live frugally; forbear or forgive: *adj.* thin or lean; scanty; parsimonious; superfluous; reserved.

sparing (spär'ing), *adj.* frugal; abstemious.

spark (spärk), *n.* a small particle of fire or ignited substance thrown off in combustion; small shining body or transient light; small portion of anything active or vivid; gay young fellow; beam.

sparkle (spärk'li), *v.i.* to emit sparks; glisten; scintillate; flash; coruscate.

spark-plug (spärk'plug), *n.* an apparatus for exploding the gas in a gasoline motor by means of an electric spark. Also spark.

sparking (spär'ing), *n.* a smelt.

sparrow (spär'ö), *n.* a well-known small bird of the Passerine family.

sparse (spärs), *adj.* thinly scattered; not dense; set or planted here and there.

sparsely (spärs'li), *adv.* in a sparse manner.

sparseness (spärs'ness), *n.* the state or quality of being sparse; thinness.

Spartan (spär'tan), *adj.* pertaining to Sparta; hardy; undaunted; severe.

sparterie (spär'tér-i), *n.* articles spun or woven of esparto grass.

spasm (spazm), *n.* a sudden, violent, involuntary contraction of the muscles. [Greek.]

spasmodic (spaz-mod'ik), *adj.* pertaining to, or consisting in, spasms; convulsive; violent but short-lived. Also spasmodical.

spasmodically (spaz-mod'i-ku-li), *adv.* in a spasmodic manner.

spat (spät), *n.* the spaw of shellfish.

spatter-work (spät'er-wörk), *n.* a method of producing in effect of a design, by carelessly spattering ink or coloring matter over a surface.

spatula (spät'ü-lä), *n.* a broad, flat, thin, flexible knife for spreading plasters, paints, &c. [Latin]

spatulate (spät'ü-lät), *adj.* spatula-shaped.

spavin (spav'in), *n.* a disease of horses, characterized by a swelling in the hock joint, causing lameness.

spawn (spawn), *n.* the ova of fishes, oysters, &c.; mycelium of fungi; offspring or product: *v.t.* to produce and deposit spawn; deposit eggs, as fish, &c.; used contemptuously of a family.

spawnier (spawn'ér), *n.* a female fish.

speak (spék), *v.i.* [p.t. spoke, p.p. spoken, p.pr. speaking], to utter articulate sounds; said of human beings; talk; say; utter a discourse or speech; make mention; convey ideas; tell; sound: *v.t.* to utter articulately; declare or pronounce; publish.

speaker (spék'ér), *n.* one who speaks; one who delivers a discourse in public; the presiding officer of the popular branch of a legislative body, as of congress or a state legislature.

speaking (spék'ing), *p.adj.* uttering speech; life-like: *n.* the act of uttering words.

spear (spér), *n.* a long-pointed weapon of war and the chase used for thrusting or throwing; a lance with barbed prongs for spearing fish; a shoot, as of grass: *v.t.* to pierce, or kill, with a spear: *v.i.* to shoot into a long stem.

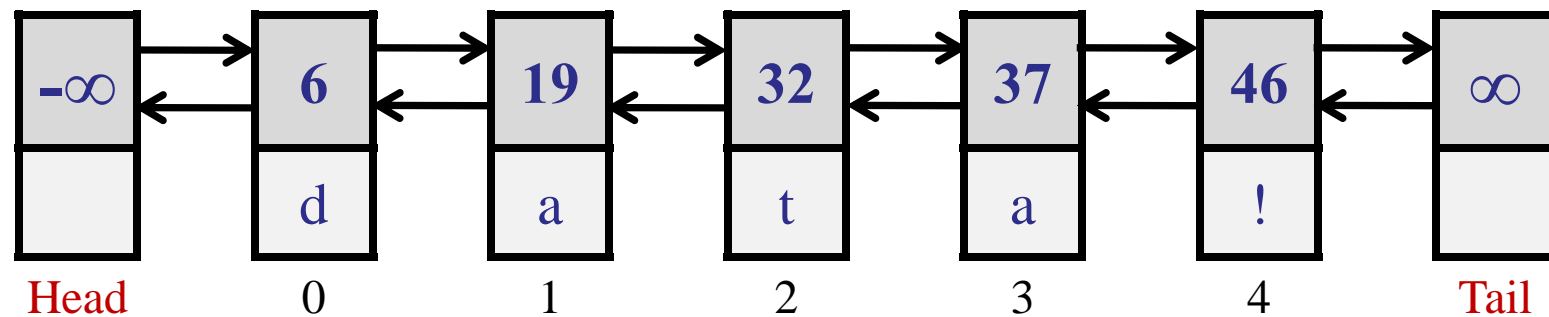
spear-grass (spér'gras), *n.* long stiff grass, as, Kentucky blue-grass.

spearwort (spér'wört), *n.* a species of Ranunculus.



Implementing a dictionary, again...

Store keys in a sorted linked list:



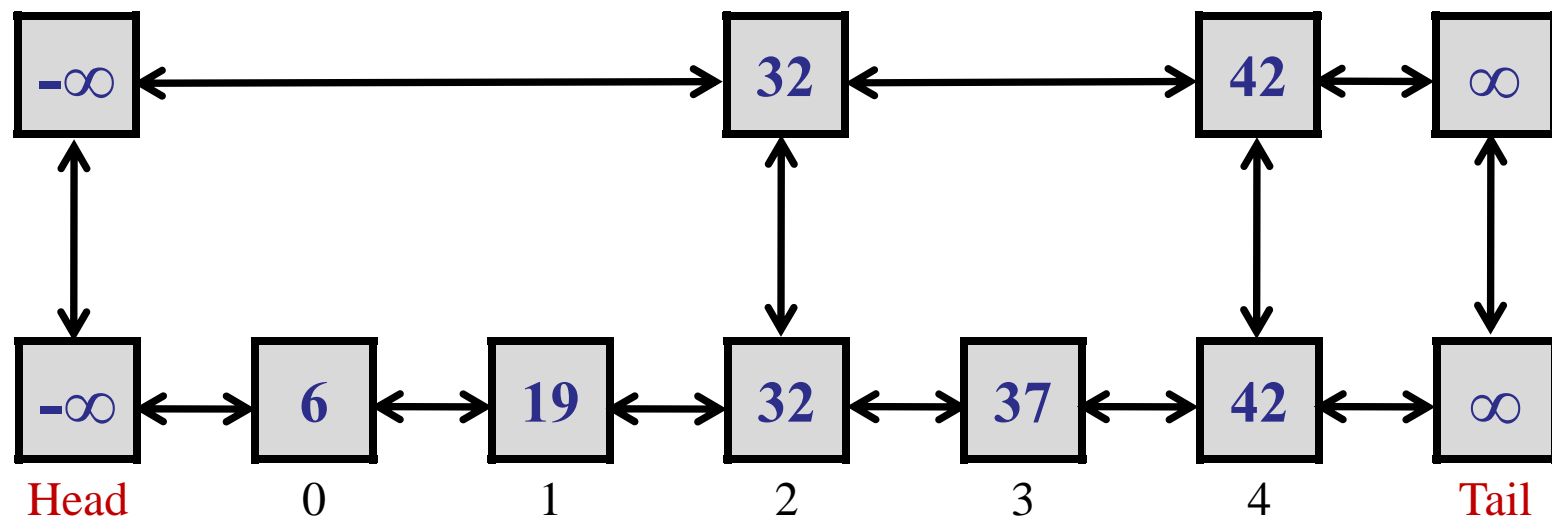
Time:

- Search: $O(n)$
- Insert: $O(n)$

What if...

What if we use two lists?

- Express train
- Local train



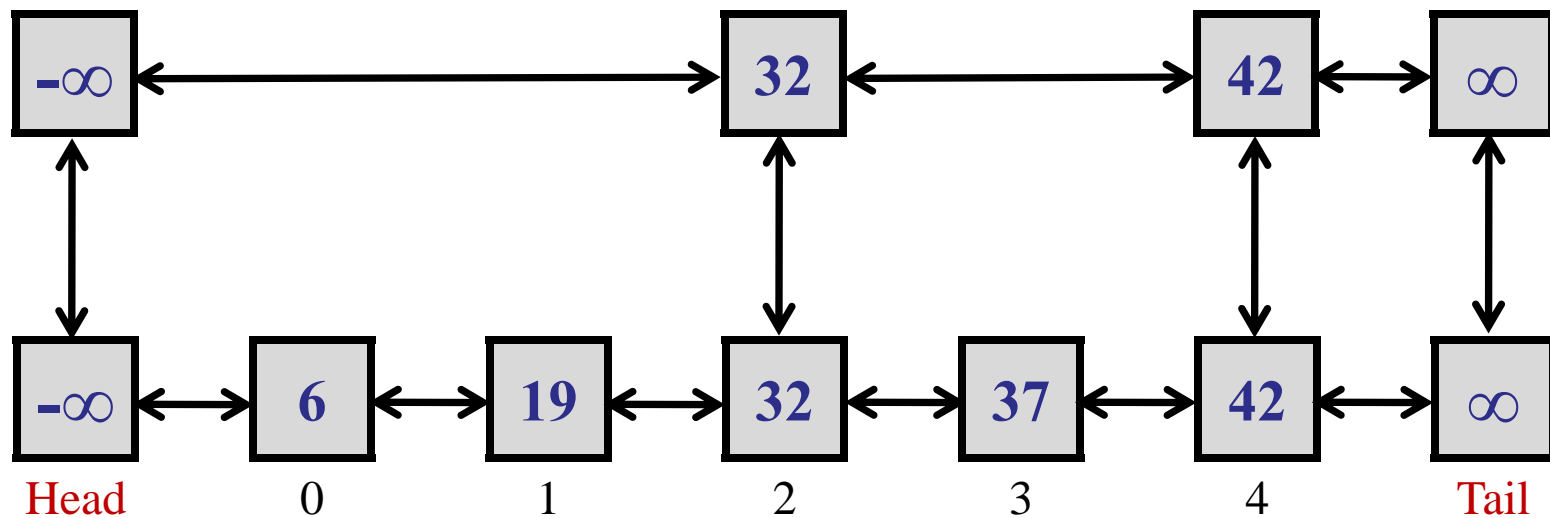
`search(37)` takes only 3 steps!

What if...

Calculation:

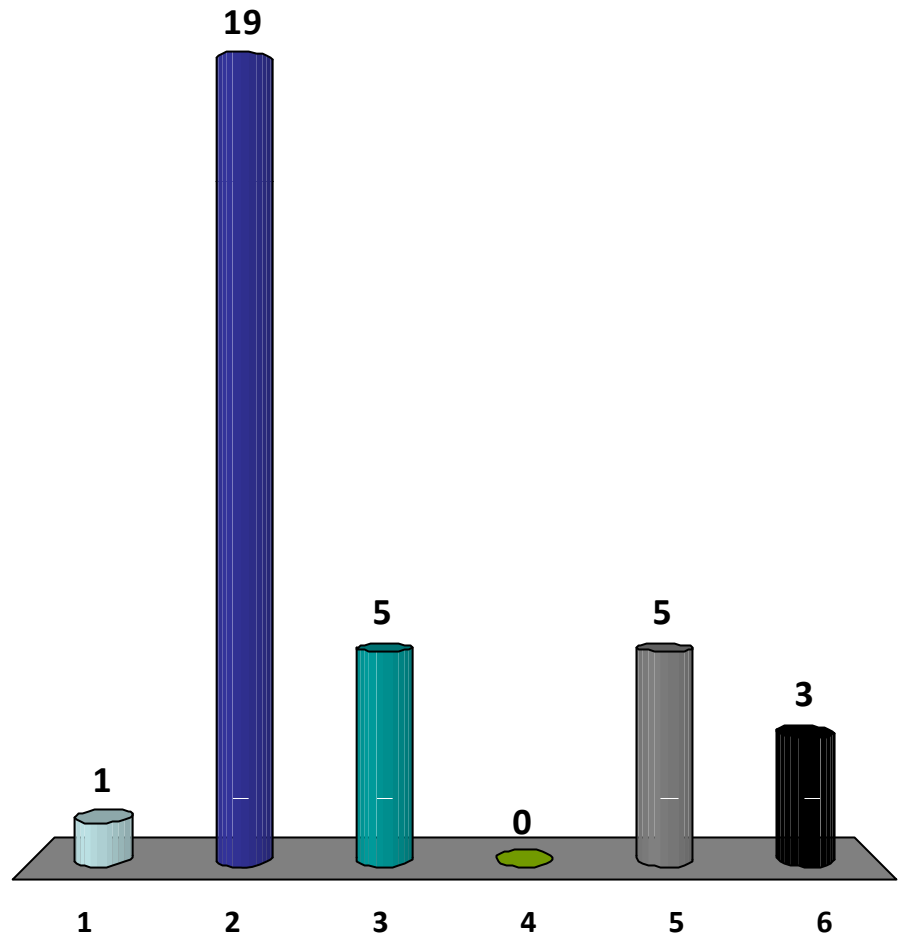
- If the “express” list skips 5 elements per “stop”, then search takes at most:

$$n/5 + 5 \text{ steps}$$



With two lists, how many elements should the express list skip per hop?

1. $O(1)$
2. $\log(n)$
- ✓ 3. \sqrt{n}
4. n/\sqrt{n}
5. $n/\log(n)$
6. Something else.

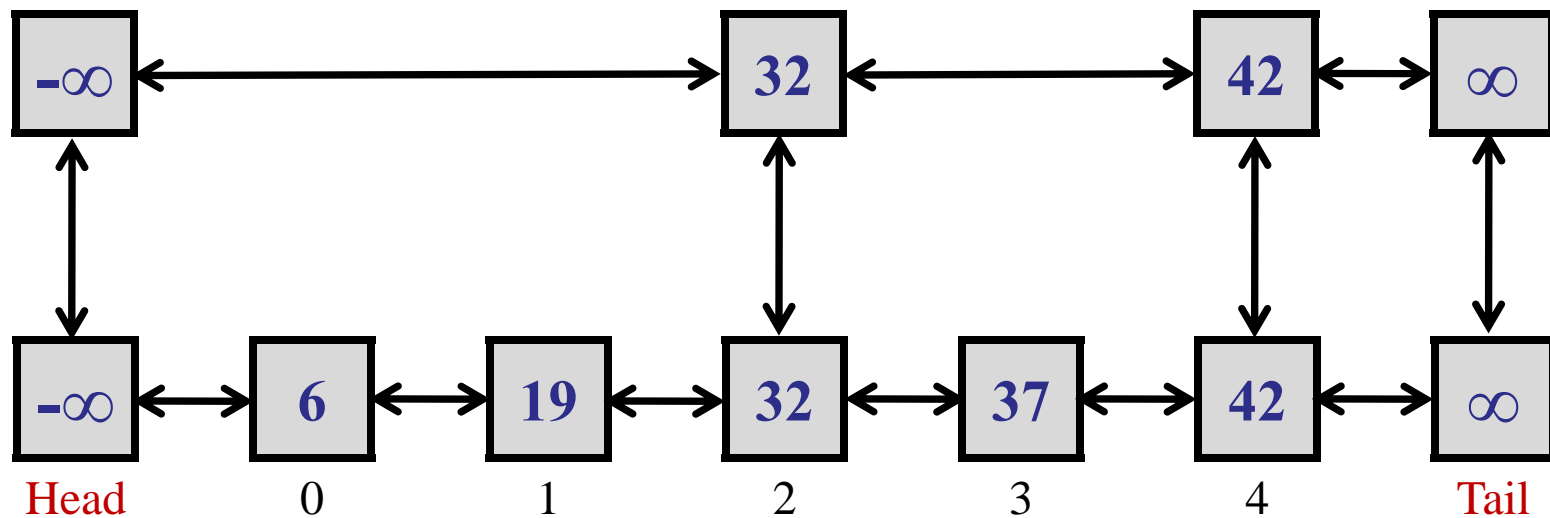


What if...

Calculation:

- If the “express” list skips \sqrt{n} elements per “stop”, then search takes at most:

$$\frac{n}{\sqrt{n}} + \sqrt{n} = 2\sqrt{n} = O(\sqrt{n})$$



Why stop at two?

Add more lists:

– Two lists: $2\sqrt{n}$

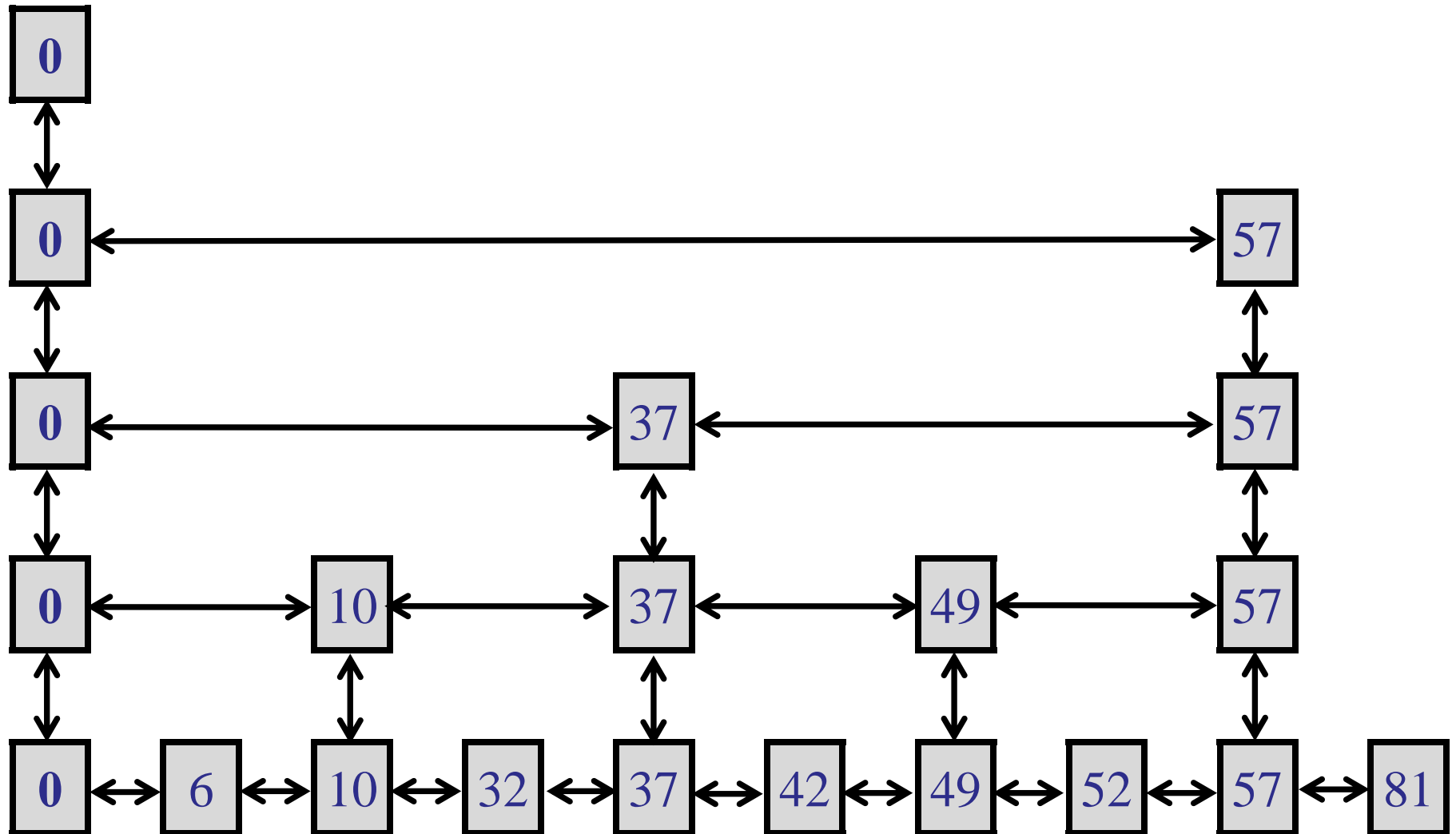
– Three lists: $3\sqrt[3]{n}$

...

– k lists: $k\sqrt[k]{n}$

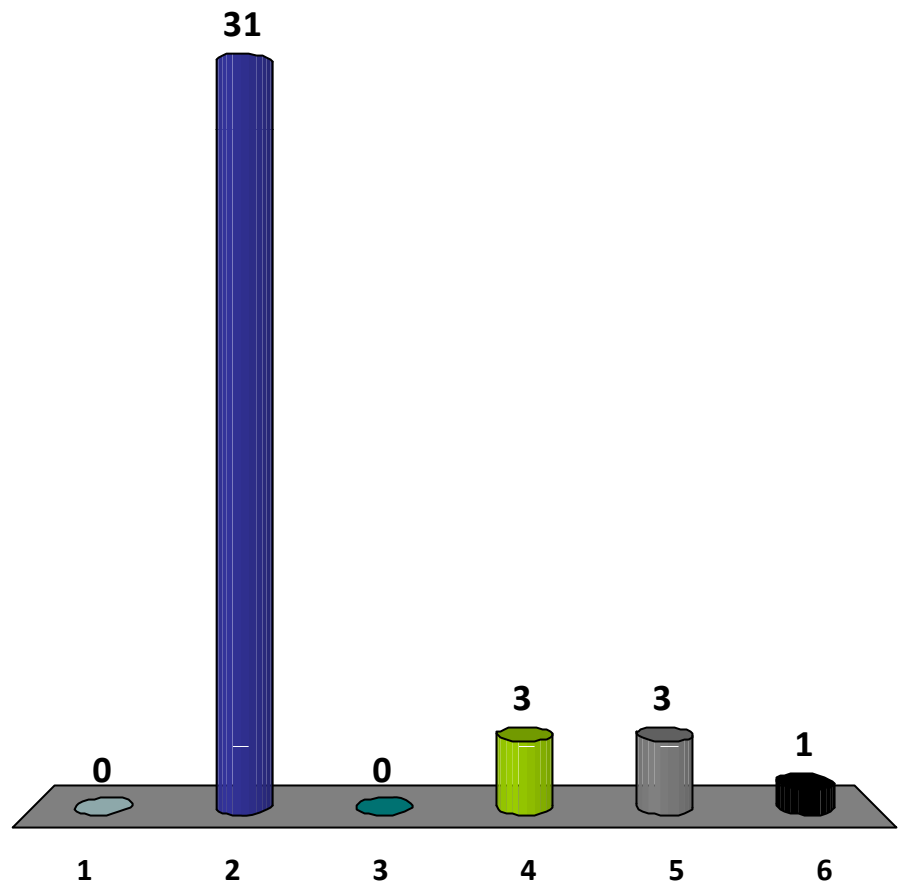
– $\log(n)$ lists: $\log(n)\sqrt[\log(n)]{n} = \log(n)n^{1/\log(n)}$
 $= 2\log(n)$

Another way to think about it...



How many levels?

1. $O(1)$
- ✓ 2. $\log(n)$
3. $2\log(n)$
4. $\log^2(n)$
5. \sqrt{n}
6. None of the above.



SkipList Background

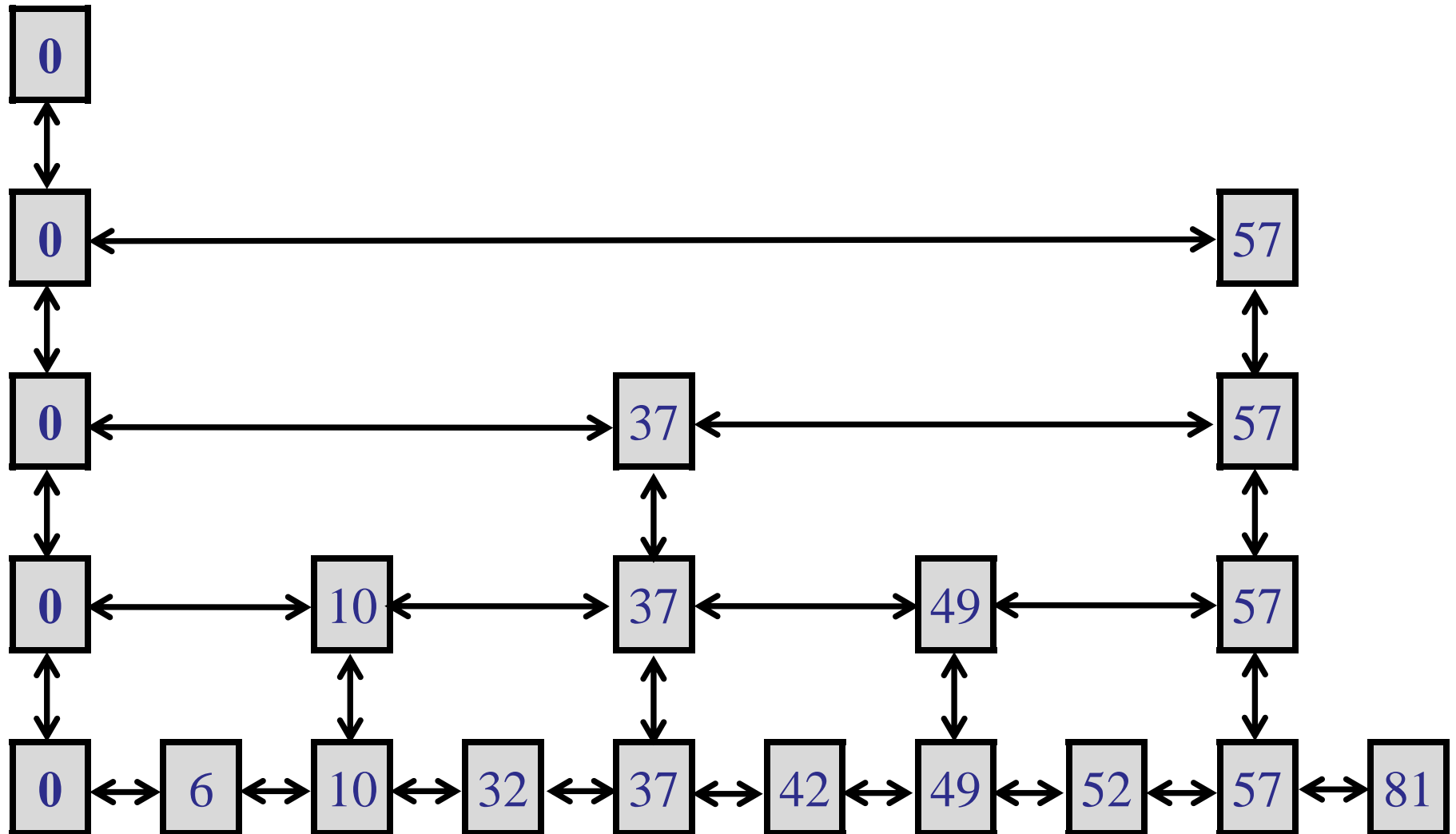
Simple randomized, dynamic search structure

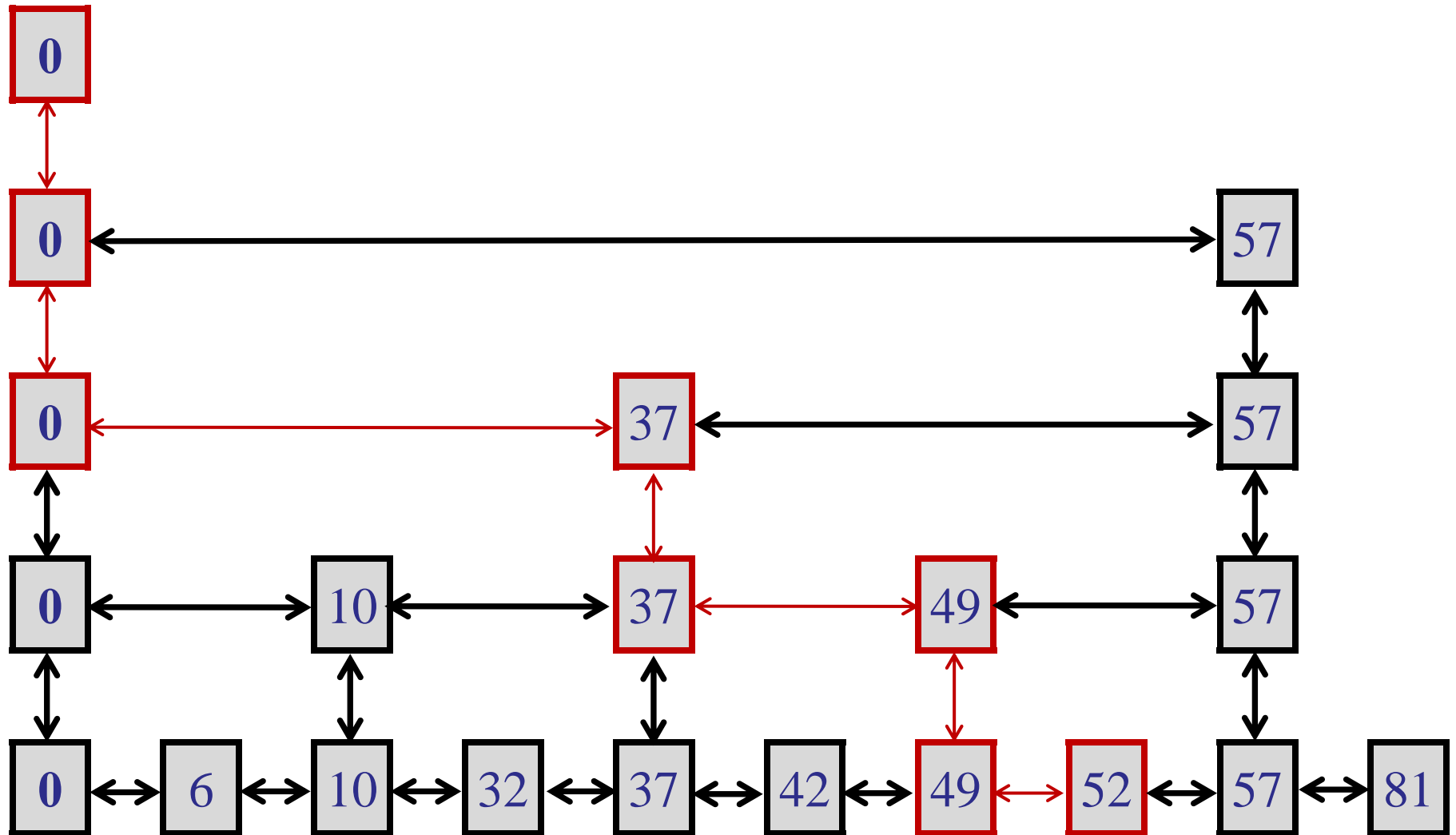
- Invented by William Pugh in 1989
- Easy to implement

Maintains a set of n elements:

- search: $O(\log n)$ time
 - insert/delete: $O(\log n)$ time
- } *with high probability*

Another way to think about it...





Insertions

To insert a new element:

1. Add element to bottom list.

(Invariant: bottom list contains every element.)

2. Add element to some other lists to maintain balance.

Goal: about half of elements at level j get promoted to level $j+1$.

Insertions

Key idea: flip a coin

1. $k = 0$;
2. while (!done) {
3. Insert element into level k list.
4. Flip a fair coin:
5. with probability $1/2$: done = true;
6. with probability $1/2$: $k = k+1$;
7. }

Insertions

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1. Add element to bottom list.

(Invariant: bottom list contains every element.)

2. Flip coins to decide how many levels to promote.

– On average: **Level 0:** n

Level 1: $n/2$

Level 2: $n/4$

...

Level $\log(n)$: $O(1)$

SkipList

Randomized process:

- Not a perfect distribution.
- Good, on average.
- Really good, *almost always*.
- As usual with randomized algorithms, easy to implement, harder to analyze.

SkipListNode Implementation

Use linked list
implementation.

```
public class SkipListNode<TData> extends ListNode<TData> {
```

```
    SkipListNode<TData> m_up;  
    SkipListNode<TData> m_down;
```

Add up/down.

```
    SkipListNode(int key, TData data)  
    {  
        super(key, data);  
        m_up = null;  
        m_down = null;  
    }
```

Call parent constructor.

Initialize new member variables.

SkipListNode Implementation

get/set methods:

- `getUp()`
- `getDown()`
- `setUp(SkipListNode<TData> newUp)`
- `setDown(SkipListNode<TData> newDown)`

SkipListNode Implementation

A few other methods:

- For example, `searchUp()` walks backward until it finds an “up” pointer.

```
public SkipListNode<TData> searchUp()
{
    SkipListNode<TData> upNode = null;
    SkipListNode<TData> iterator = this;

    while (upNode == null && iterator != null)
    {
        upNode = iterator.getUp();
        iterator = iterator.getPrevious();
    }

    return upNode;
}
```

SkipList Implementation

Implement IDictionary
with parameterized type.



```
public class SkipList<TData> implements IDictionary<TData> {
```

```
    /* Final variable*/
```

```
    public static final int HEAD_KEY = Integer.MIN_VALUE;
```

Dummy value for head.



```
    /* Class Variables */
```

```
    SkipListNode<TData> m_ListHead;
```

```
    SkipListNode<TData> m_AllKeyLinkedList;
```

Head of top and
bottom lists.



```
    SkipList()
```

```
    {
```

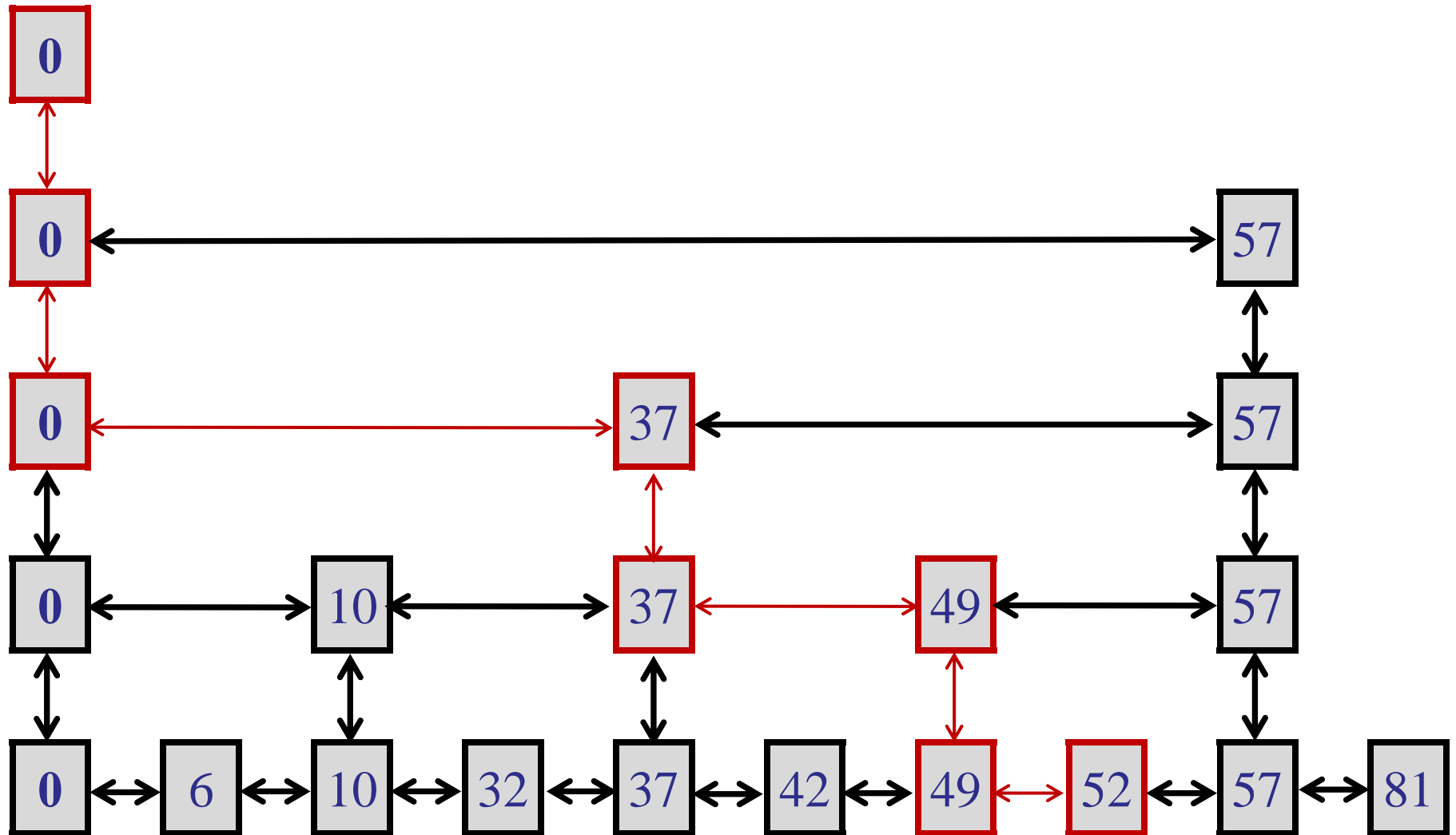
```
        m_ListHead = new SkipListNode<TData>(HEAD_KEY, null);
```

```
        m_AllKeyLinkedList = m_ListHead;
```

```
    }
```

Initialize empty list.
Start with only one list.





SkipList Implementation

Start at the top list.

```
public SkipListNode<TData> searchSuccessorNode(Integer key)
{
    SkipListNode<TData> iterator = m_ListHead;

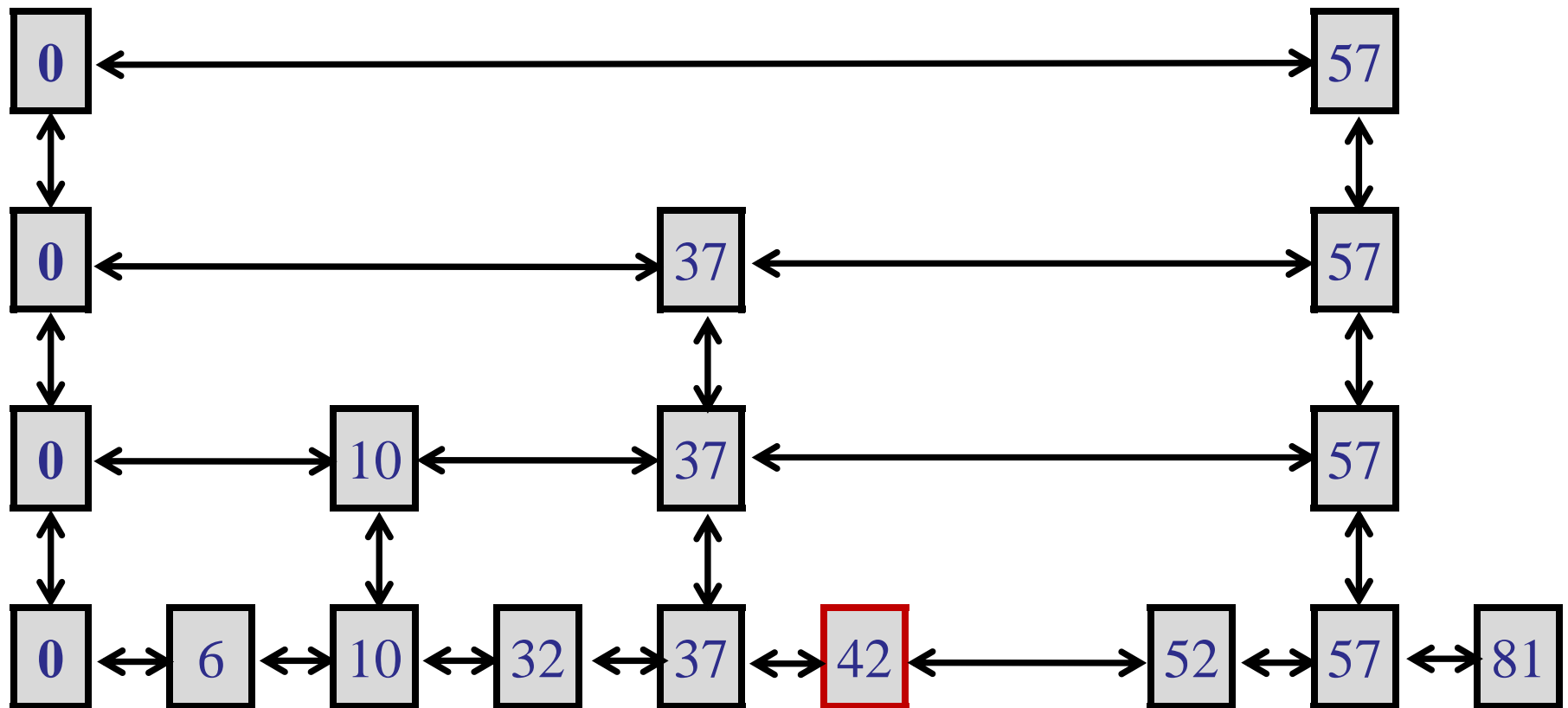
    while (iterator != null && (iterator.getKey() <= key)) {
        SkipListNode<TData> nextNode = iterator.getNext();
        SkipListNode<TData> downNode = iterator.getDown();

        if ((nextNode != null) && (nextNode.getKey() <= key)) {
            iterator = nextNode;
        }
        else if (downNode != null) {
            iterator = downNode;
        }
        else {
            return iterator;
        }
    }
    return null;
}
```

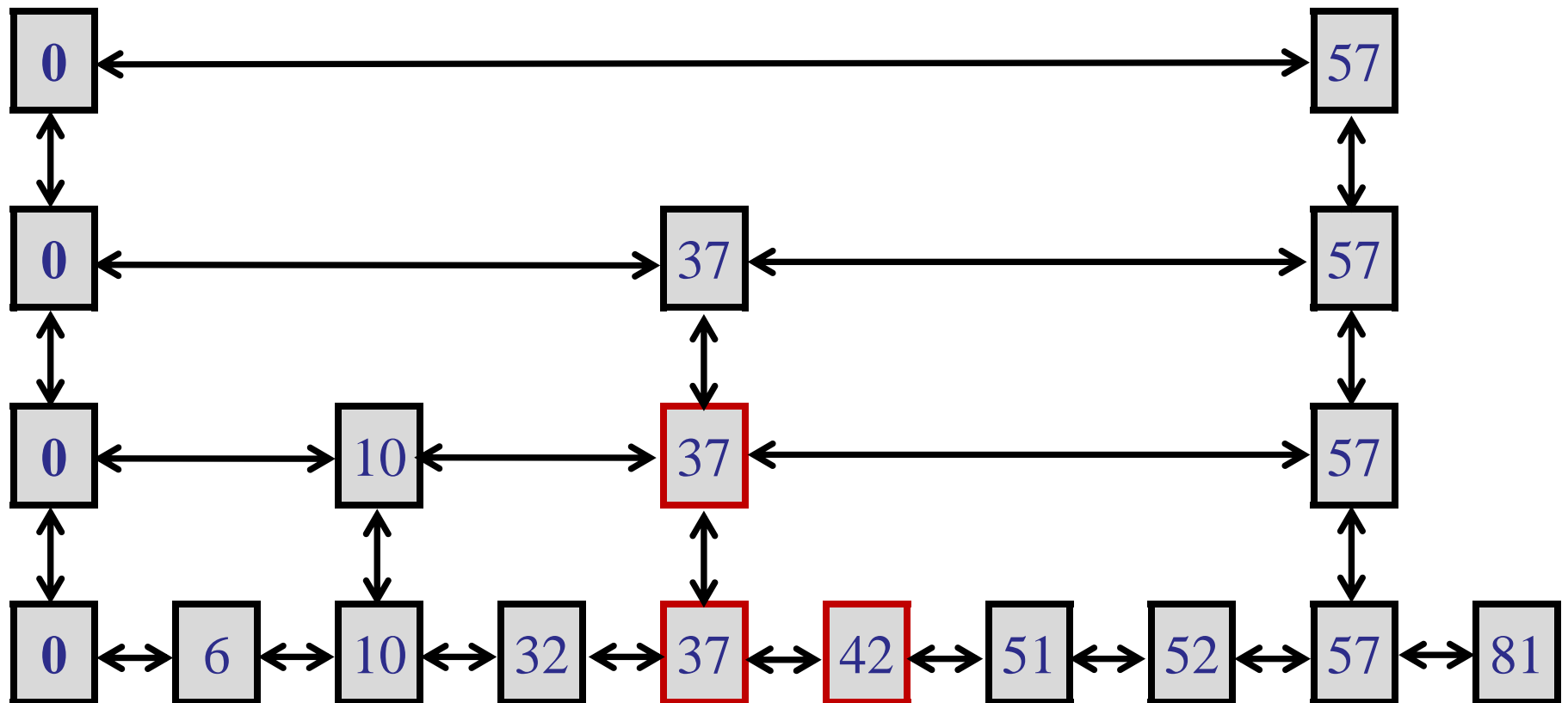
Go right if you can.
Otherwise, go down.

If you can't go any farther,
return the iterator.

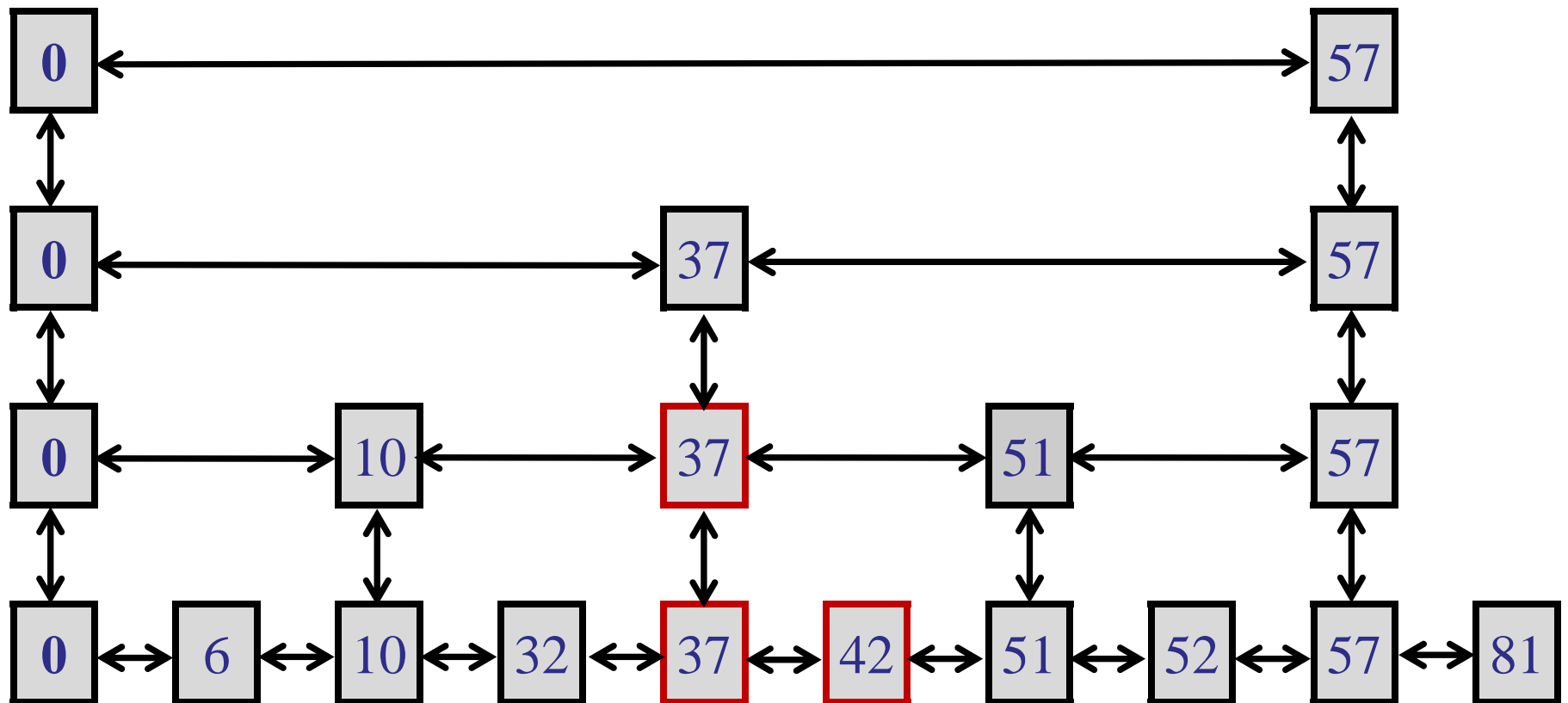
Example: insert(51)



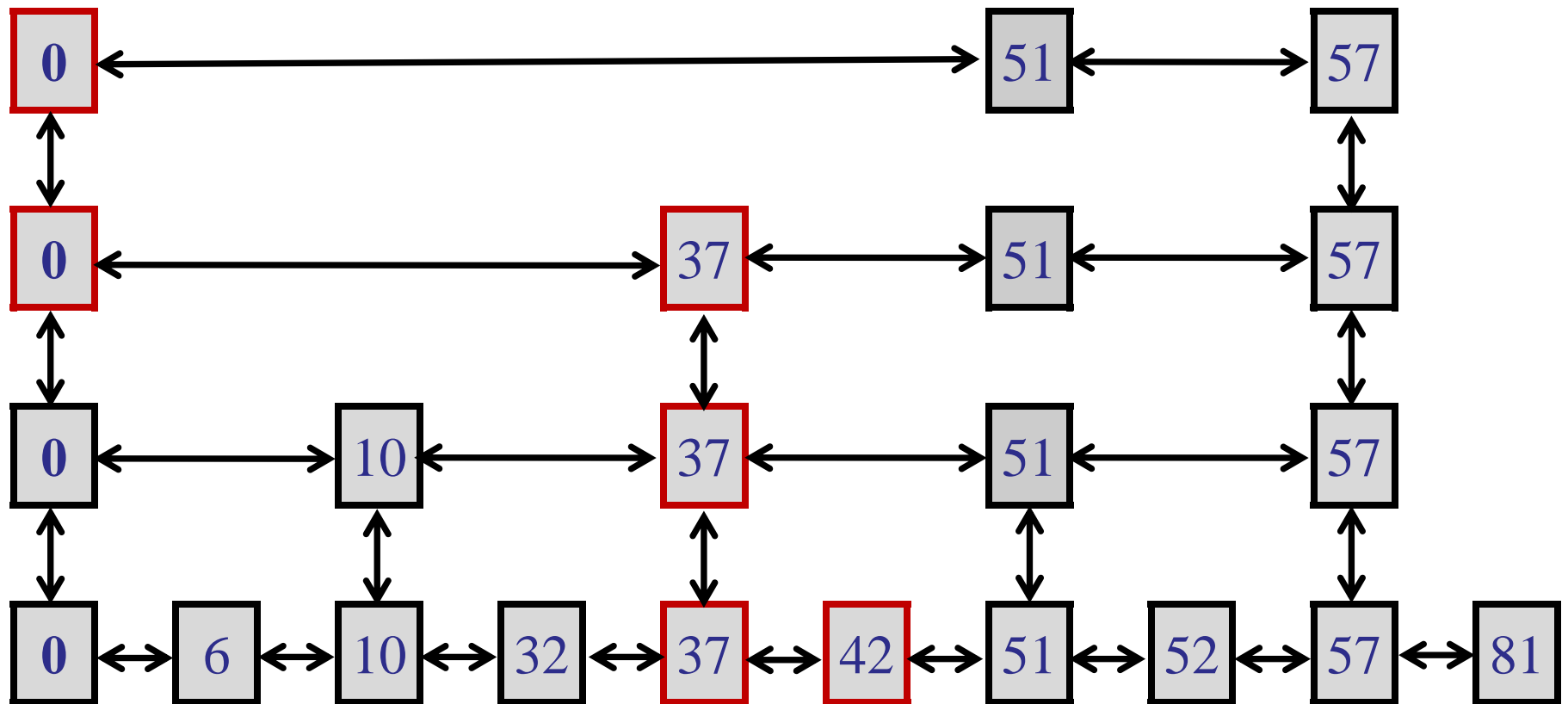
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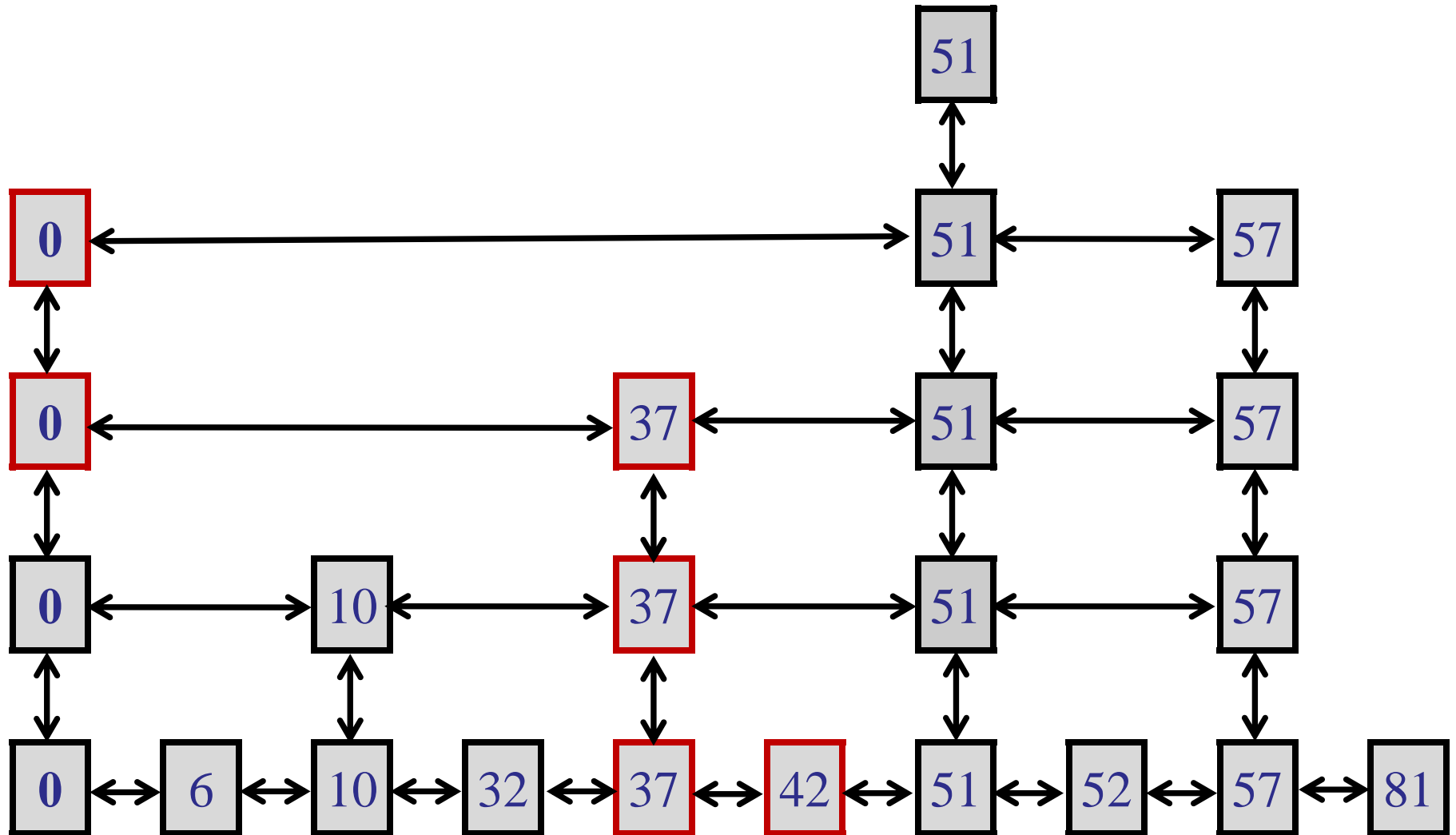
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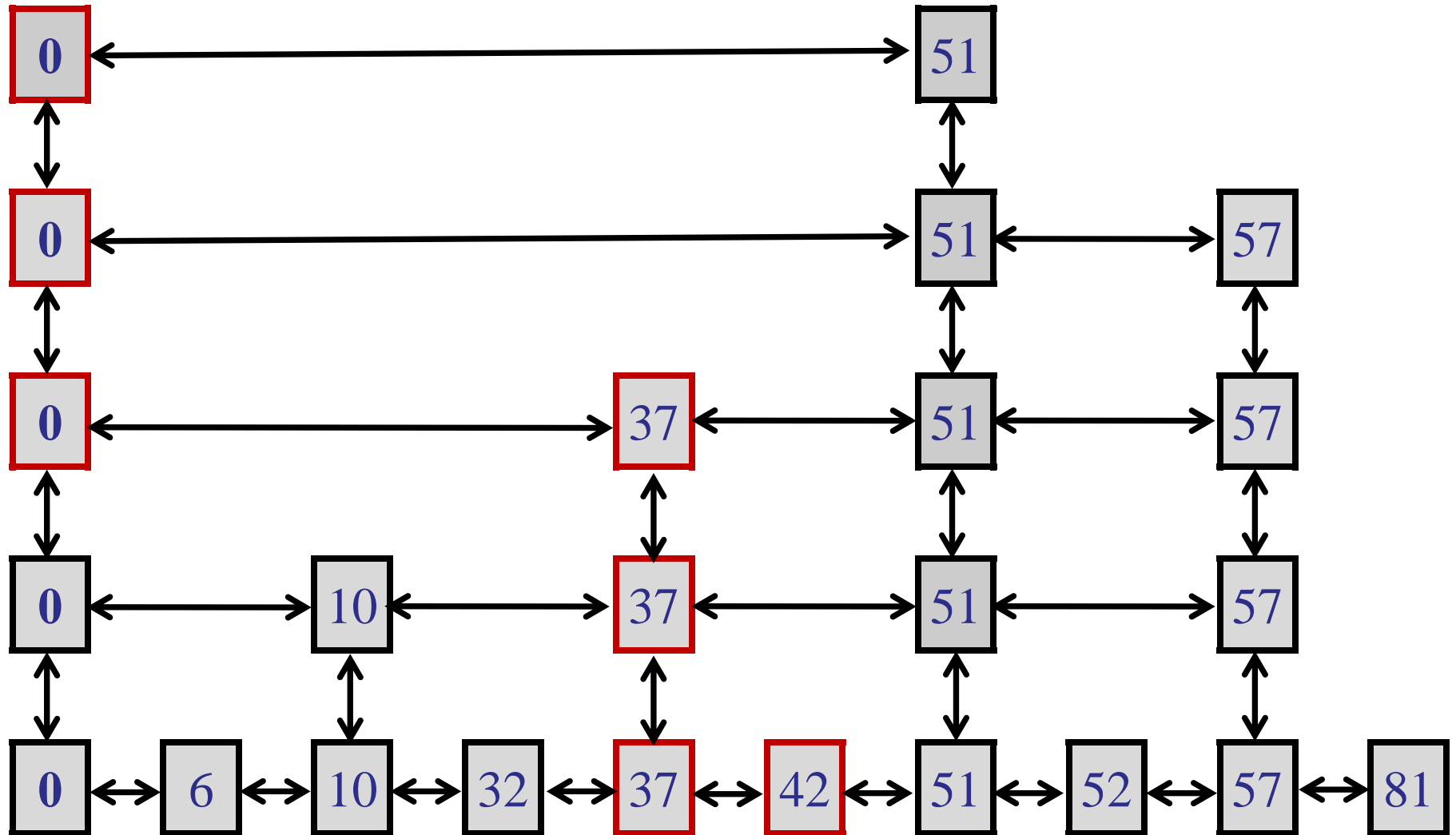
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SkipList Implementation

Create new
SkipListNode to
insert.

```
public void insert(Integer key, TData data) {  
    SkipListNode<TData> newNode =  
        new SkipListNode<TData>(key, data);  
  
    SkipListNode<TData> insertNode = searchSuccessorNode(key);  
    Random generator = new Random();
```

Java class for generating
random numbers.

Search for the
successor node.

SkipList Implementation

```
while (insertNode != null) {
    insertNode.insertAfter(newNode);
    boolean goUp = generator.nextBoolean();
    if (goUp) {
        insertNode = newNode.searchUp();
        if (insertNode == null) {
            insertNode = new SkipListNode<TData>(Integer.MIN_VALUE, null);
            insertNode.setDown(m_ListHead);
            m_ListHead.setUp(insertNode);
            m_ListHead = insertNode;
        }
        SkipListNode<TData> nextNewNode =
            new SkipListNode<TData>(key, data);
        nextNewNode.setDown(newNode);
        newNode.setUp(nextNewNode);
        newNode = nextNewNode;
    }
    else insertNode = null;
}
```

Insert node in list.

Flip coin.

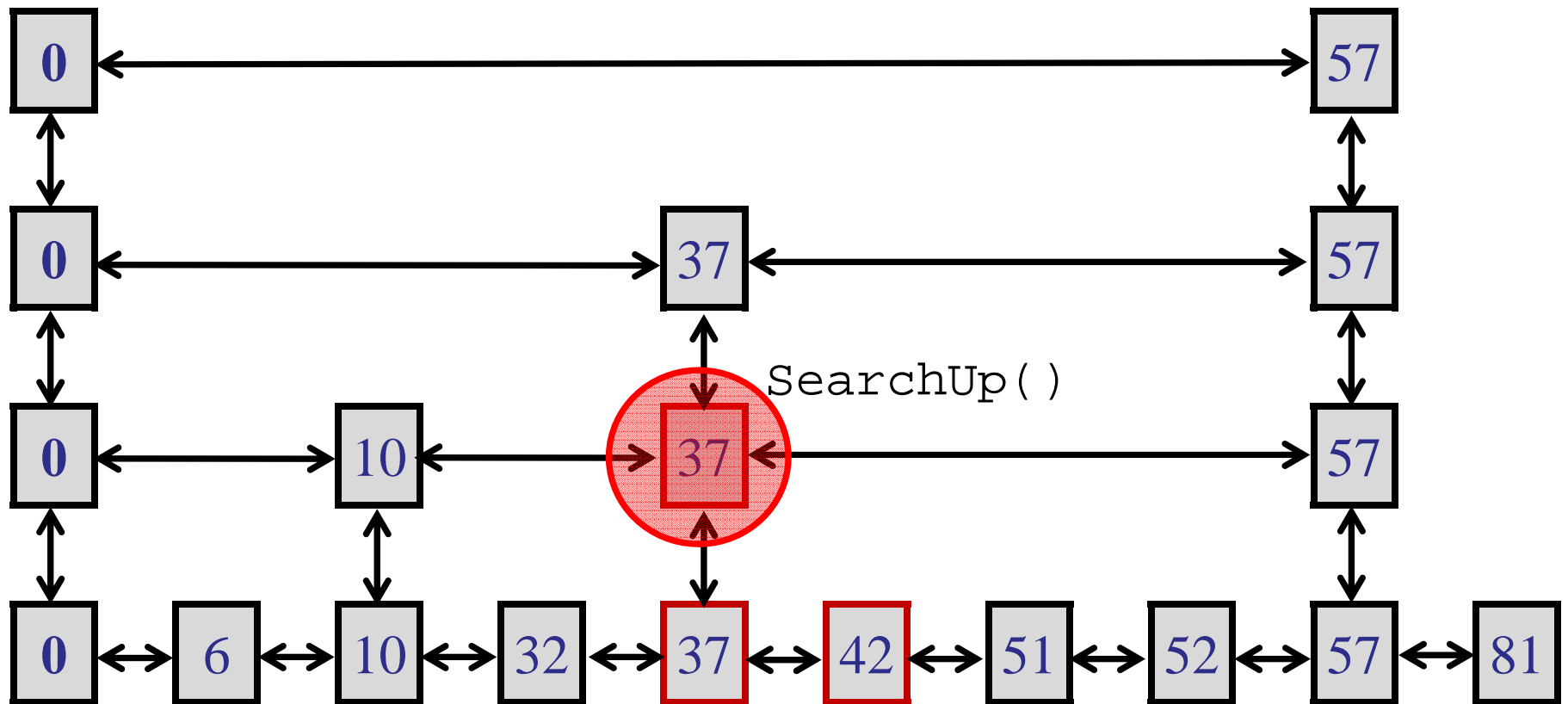
If heads, go up.

If no up list, add one.

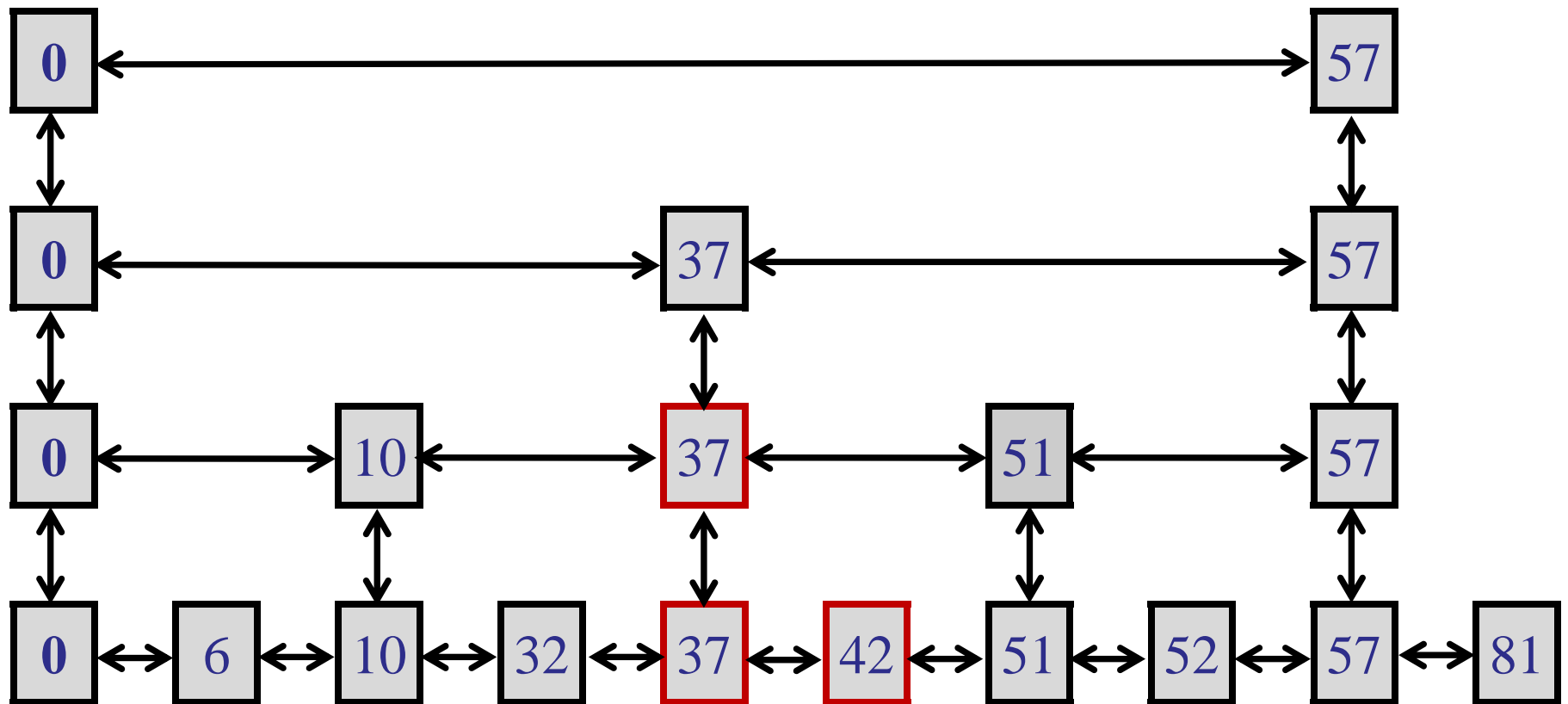
Create new node for next list up.

If tails, done.

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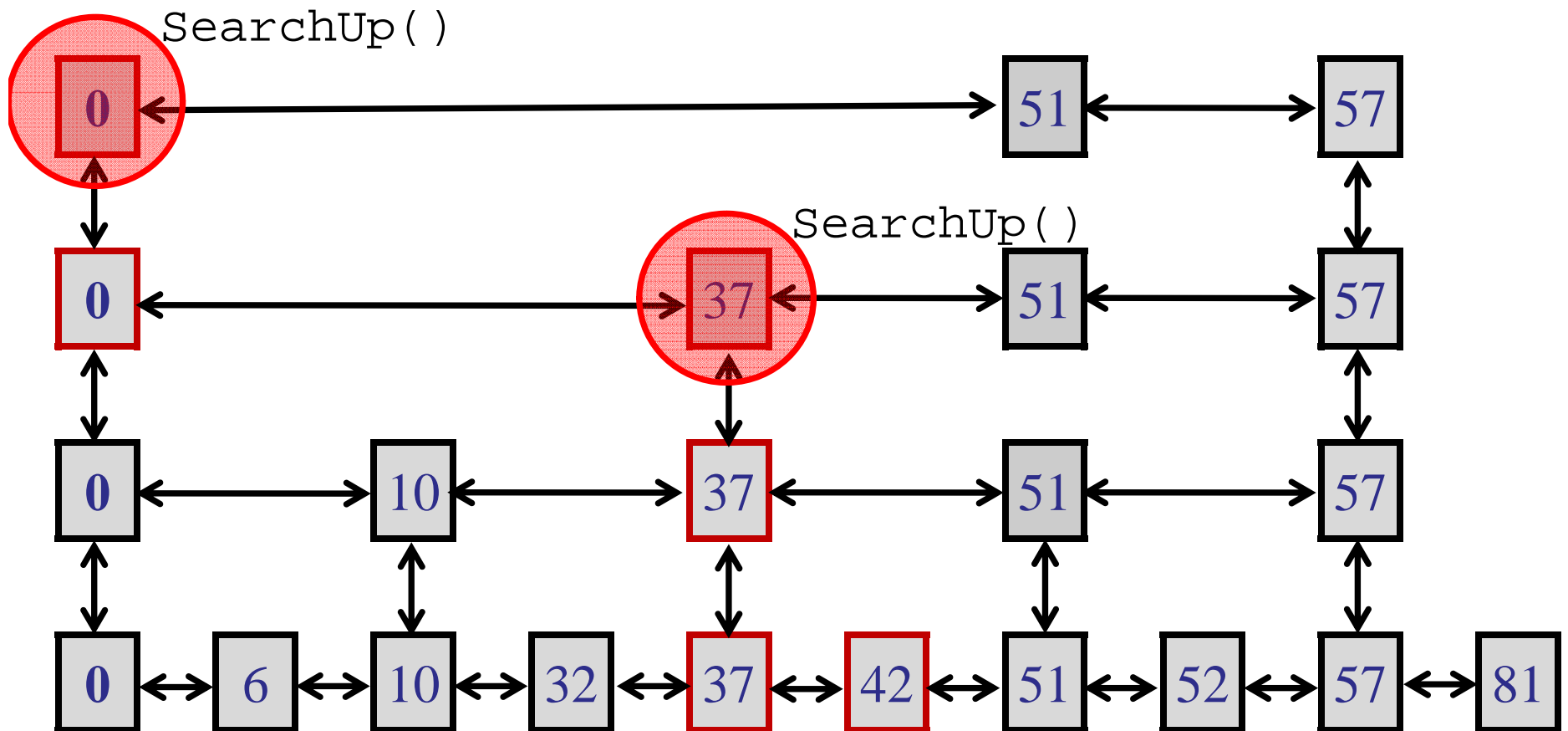


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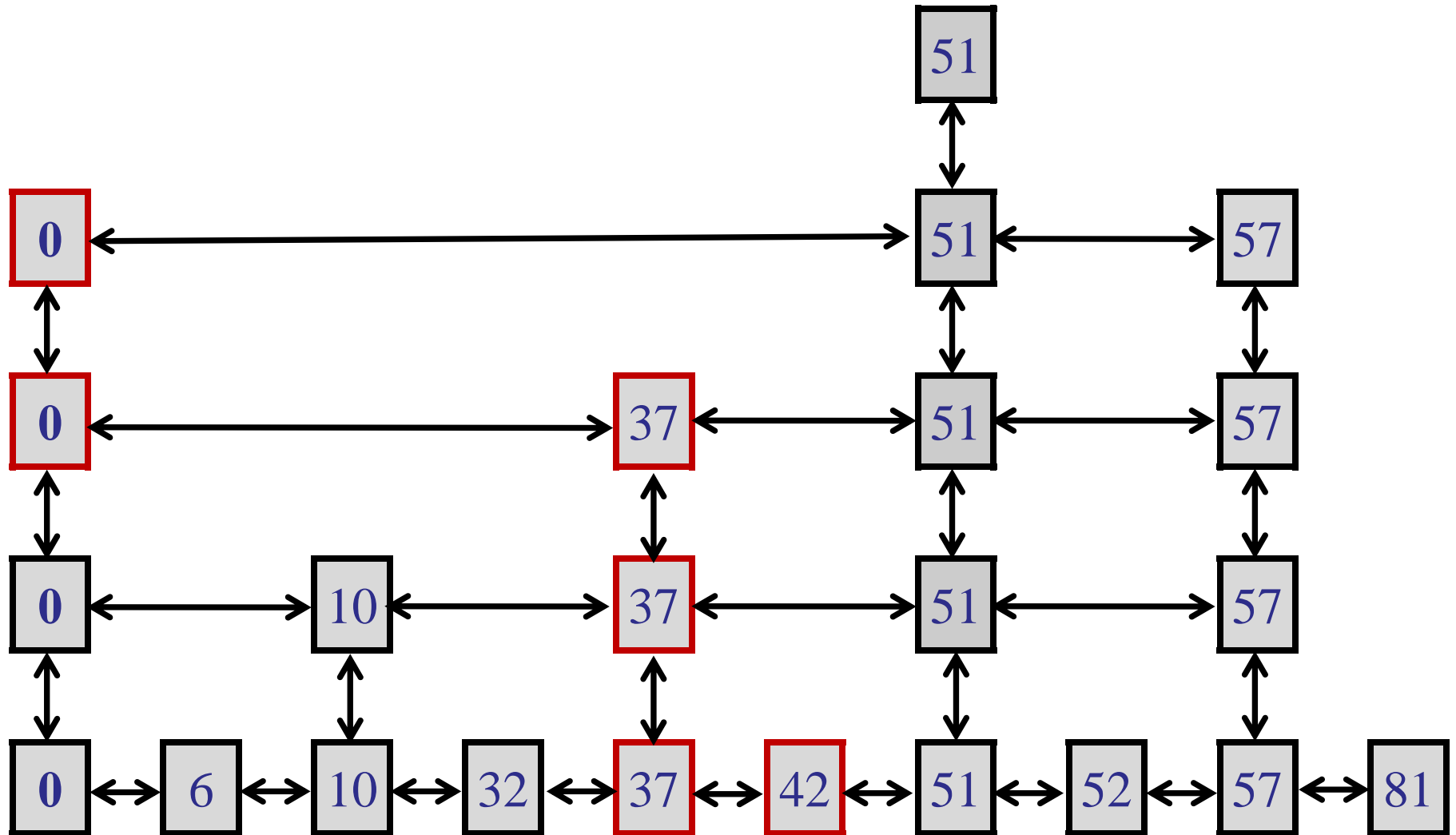


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Oop! No
SearchUp()

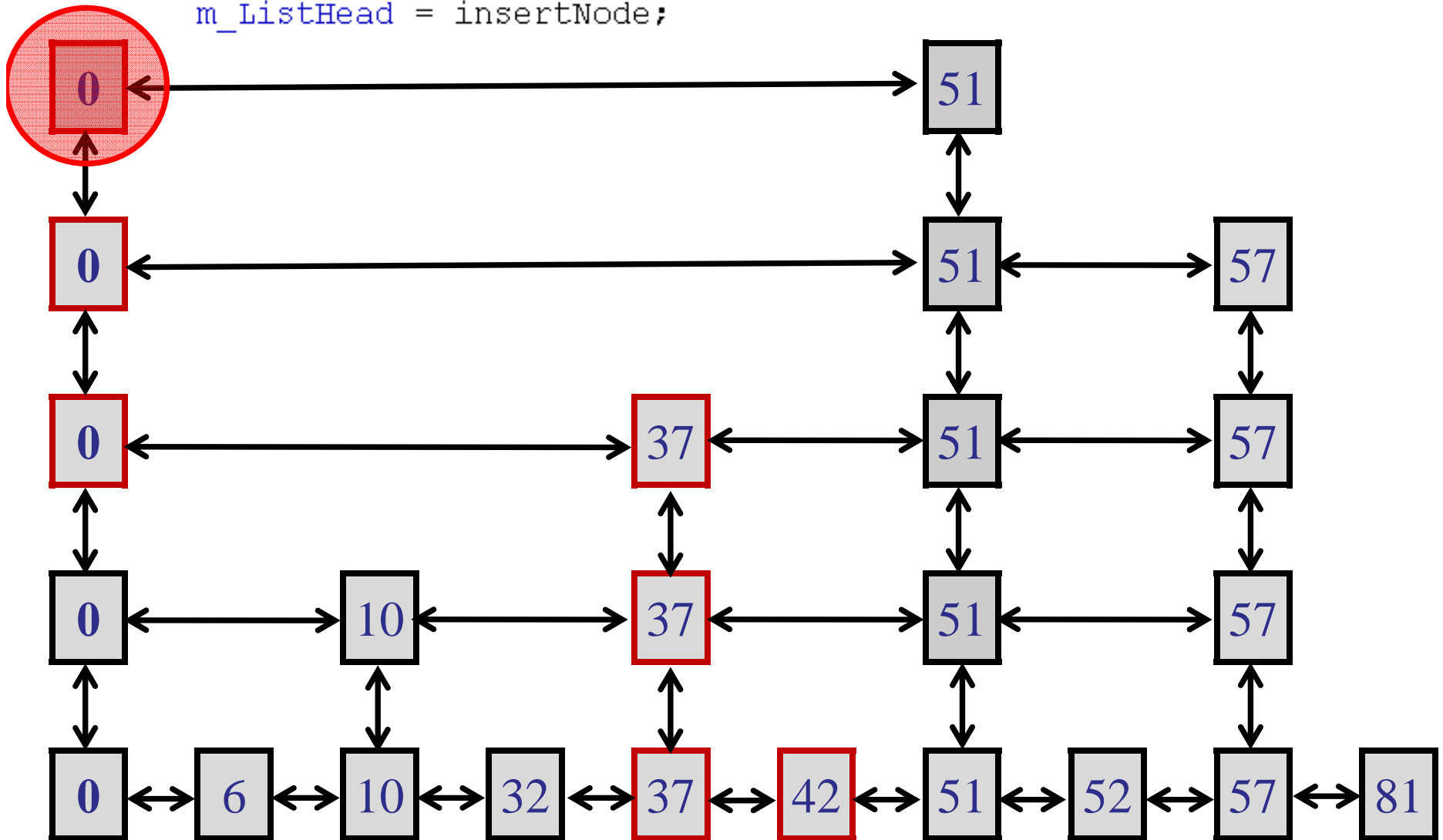


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```
insertNode = new SkipListNode<TData>(Integer.MIN_VALUE, null);  
insertNode.setDown(m_ListHead);  
m_ListHead.setUp(insertNode);  
m_ListHead = insertNode;
```



SkipList Implementation

```
public void delete(Integer key) {  
    SkipListNode<TData> node = searchSuccessorNode(key);  
    if (key != node.getKey()) {  
        return;  
    }  
    SkipListNode<TData> next = node;  
  
    while (node != null) {  
        next = node.getUp();  
        node.delete();  
        node = next;  
    }  
}
```

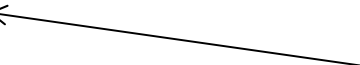
Find the node
to delete.



If we don't find the
right key, return.



Delete the node
at every level.



SkipList Implementation

Done!

SkipList Analysis

SkipList Analysis

Claim: Every **search** and **insert** operation completes in **$O(\log n)$** time *in expectation*.

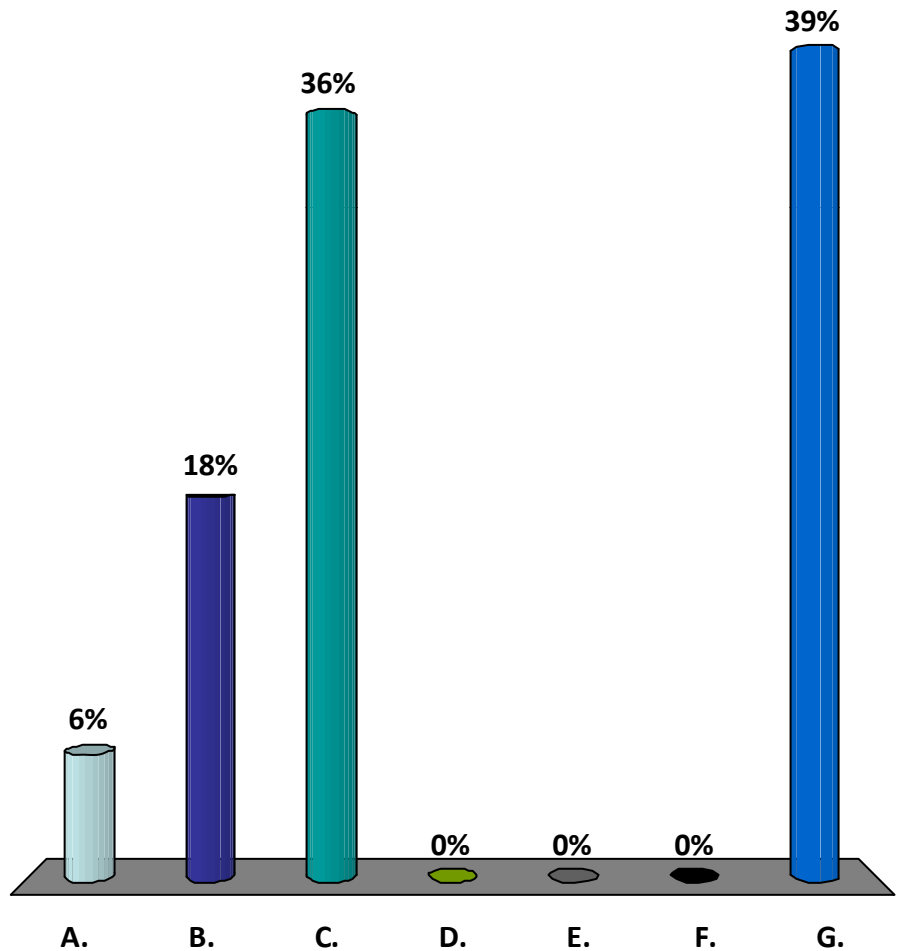
Key steps:

- Analyze number of levels in a SkipList.
- Look at distribution of promotions:

SkipList is efficient when each jump skips about the same number of elements.

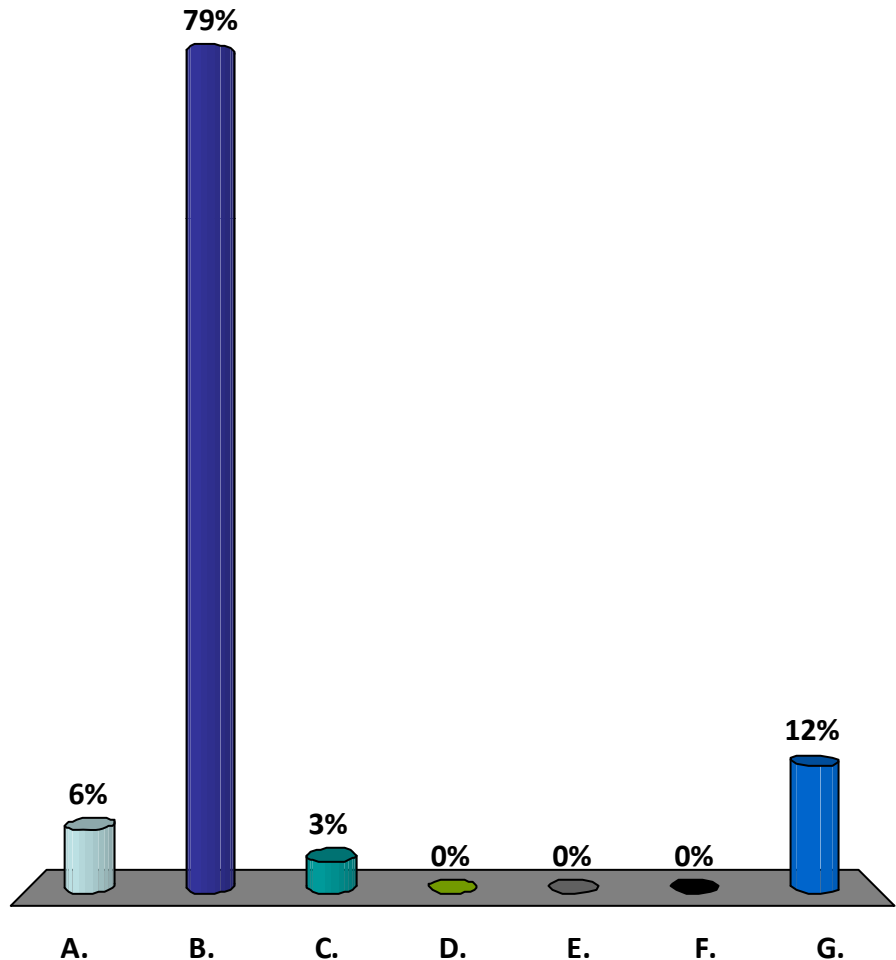
What is the largest number of level you can build in SkipList?

- A. $\text{Sqrt}(n)$
- B. $\text{Log } n$
- C. n
- D. $2n$
- E. n^2
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What is the expected number of level you can build in SkipList?

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$$E[\text{\#node at Level 1}] = n$$

$$E[\text{\#node at Level 2}] = n/2$$

$$E[\text{\#node at Level 3}] = n/4$$

.

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$$E[\text{\#node at Level } \log n] = 1$$

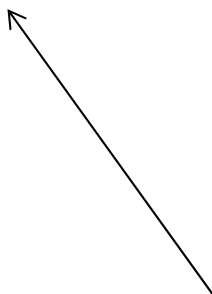
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Fix an element x .

$$\Pr[x \text{ is higher than } c \log(n)] \leq \frac{1}{2^{c \log n}} \leq \frac{1}{n^c}$$



Probability of flipping
more than $c \log(n)$ heads
in a row!

SkipList Analysis

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Define:

- e_1 = probability first element is too high $< 1/n^c$
- e_2 = probability second element is too high $< 1/n^c$
- ...
- e_n = probability n^{th} element is too high $< 1/n^c$

$$\Pr(\text{any element is too high}) \leq \frac{n}{n^c} \leq \frac{1}{n^{c-1}}$$

SkipList Analysis

Claim: *With high probability,* a SkipList with n elements has $O(\log n)$ levels.

SkipList Analysis

Done!



Claim: Every **search** and (**insert**) operation completes in $O(\log n)$ time *with high probability*.

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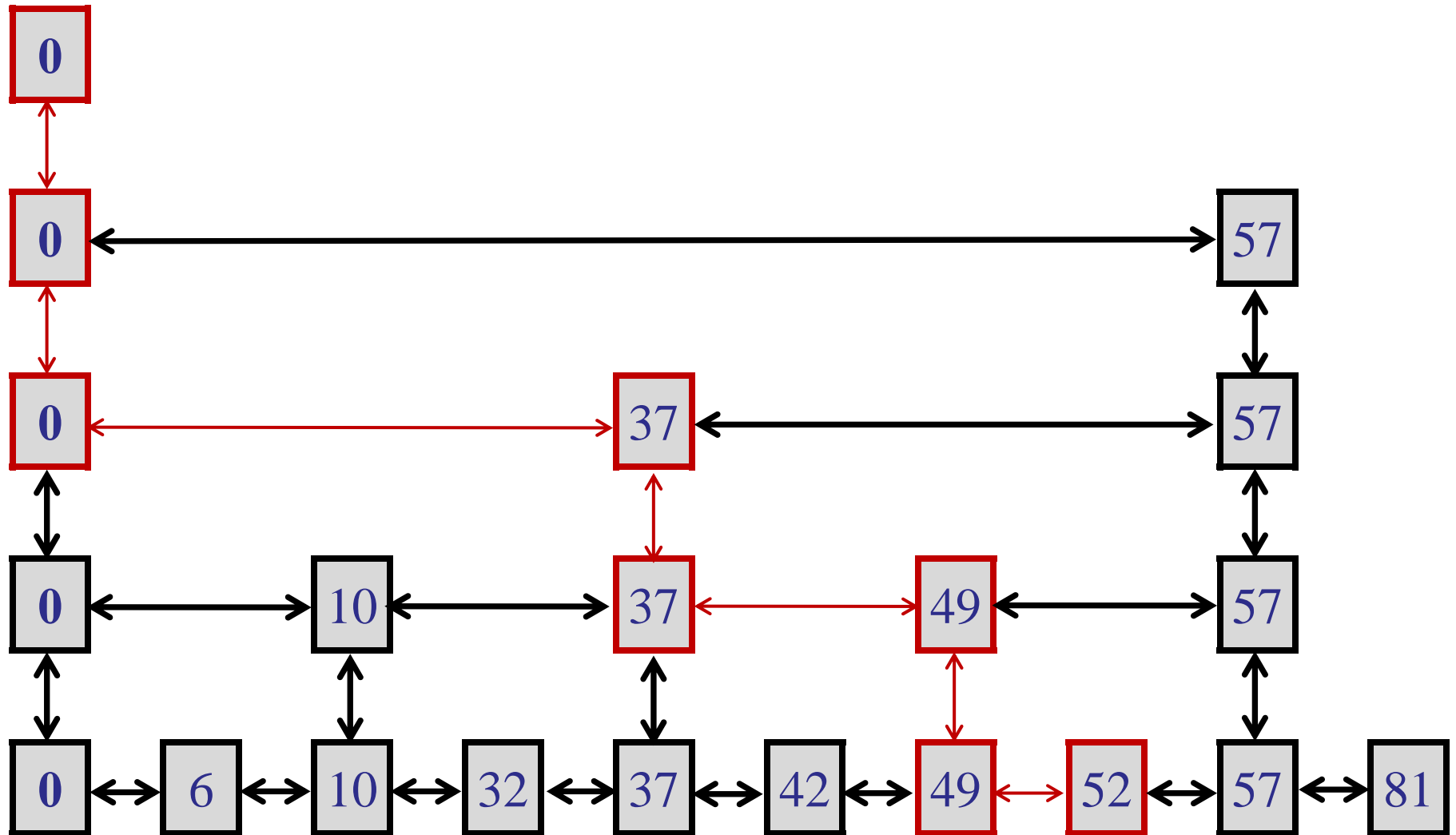
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- Stop at root of tree.

Occurs at
most $O(\log n)$
times!

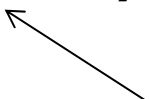




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- At most $O(\log n)$!
- 

New question: How many times to flip a coin until we get $c \log(n)$ heads?


SkipList Analysis

Claim: *In expectation*, after $O(\log n)$ coin flips, you get $c \log n$ heads.

SkipList Analysis

Proof:

- Say we flip $10\log(n)$ coins.
- $\Pr[\text{exactly } \log(n) \text{ heads}] =$

$$\binom{10c \log n}{c \log n} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{c \log n} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{9c \log n}$$


Number of ways to choose
 $c \log(n)$ heads out of all the flips:

TTTTHH

TTHTTH

...

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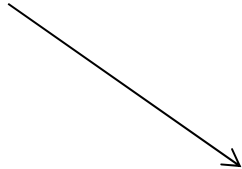
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bad case! $\binom{10c \log n}{c \log n} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{c \log n} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{9c \log n}$



- $\Pr[\text{at most } \log(n) \text{ heads}] \leq$

$$\binom{10c \log n}{c \log n} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{9c \log n}$$

If all $9c\log(n)$
are tails, then not
enough heads!



SkipList Analysis

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$$\begin{aligned} \binom{10c \log n}{\log n} &\leq \left(\frac{e10c \log n}{\log n}\right)^{\log n} \leq (10e)^{\log n} \\ &\leq n^{\log(10e)} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\leq n^{c \log(10e)} \frac{1}{n^{9c}}$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{n^\alpha}$$

$$\alpha = c(9 - \log(10) - \log(e))$$

Generalize for other values of 10...

SkipList Analysis

Claim: *In expectation*, after $O(\log n)$ coin flips, you get $c \log n$ heads.

Conclusion: Each search takes $O(\log n)$ steps in expectation.

Conclusions

SkipLists

- Simple, efficient, randomized search structure.
- Easy to implement.
- Reasonably good performance in practice.

Analysis:

- Tricky randomized calculations.
- Key idea: analyze backwards!
- Reduce to the problem of flipping coins.