

## Singly linked list

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## SINGLY LINKED LIST: implementation of a node

```
struct node
{
    int data;
    node *next;
};

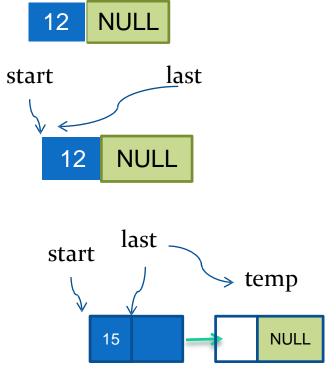
The address of the next node
```

#### **Creation of Linked List**

```
class linked_list
         private:
                  node *start; node * last;
         public:
                  linked_list()
                   { start=NULL; last= NULL;}
                  void add_node(int value);
                  void insert_first(int value) ;
                  void insert_at_position(int pos,int val);
                  void delete_first();
                  void delete_last();
                   void delete_at_position(int pos);
                  void display();
```

#### Linked List:add nodes forward

```
void linked_list:: add_node(int value)
        node *temp=new node;
        temp->data=value;
        temp->next=NULL;
        if (start == NULL)
                 start=temp;
                 last=temp;
        else
          last->next = temp;
         last = temp;
```



#### Linked List:insert\_first

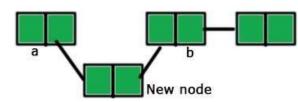
```
void linked_list::insert_first(int value)
       node *temp=new node;
                                                      NULL
                                                  12
       temp->data=value;
                                                           last
       temp->next=NULL;
                                               start
       if (start == NULL)
                                                        NULL
                start=temp;
               last=temp;
                                                            last
                                                      start
   else{
                                         temp
       temp->next=start;
                                           12
                                               NULL
                                                           15
       start=temp; }
```

#### insert a node in between a linked list

- The steps for inserting a node between two nodes a and b:
- Make a new node

2. Point the 'next' of the new node to the node 'b' (the node after which we have to insert the new node). Till now, two nodes are pointing the same node 'b', the node 'a' and the new node.

3. Point the 'next' of 'a' to the new node.



#### Linked List; insert\_position

```
void linked_list::insert_at_position(int pos, int value)
   {node *temp=new node;
                                                           temp
                                                                        last
   temp->data=value;
                                 start current
                                                          30
   temp->next=NULL;
node *current=start;
                                                     20
                                      10
   for(int i=1;i<pos-1;i++)
        current=current->next;
        if(current==NULL)
   {cout<<" the list has element less than
                        "<<pos<< "element";return;}
   temp->next=current->next;
   current->next=temp;
```

#### Linked List:display

```
void linked_list:: display()
        if(start==NULL) {cout<<"list is empty ";return;}</pre>
        node *temp=start;
        cout<<" the elements of the list are "<<endl;
        while(temp!=NULL)
                 cout<<temp->data<<"\t";</pre>
                 temp=temp->next;
```

#### Delete last element in linked list

- Check if the list isempty if(start==NULL)
- If it not empty check if it has one element only if (start->next==NULL)
- If it has more than onelement

#### Delete first element in linked list

Copy the address of first node i.e. start node to some temp
 variable say temp

node \*temp= start;



• Move the start to the second node of the linked list i.e.

start=start->next;



Disconnect the connection of first node to second node.



Free the memory occupied by the first node.

delete temp



#### Linked List :delete\_first

```
void linked_list::delete_first()
{//list is empty
   if(start==NULL){ cout<<"the list is empty"</pre>
   ; return;}
                                                    start
                                                                 last
   //only one node
   if (start->next==NULL)
                                                             NULL
   { delete start; delete last; return;}
   //more than one node
                                                                      last
                                  start temp
   node *temp= start;
   start=start->next;
                                     10
   delete temp;
```

#### Delete last node from linked list

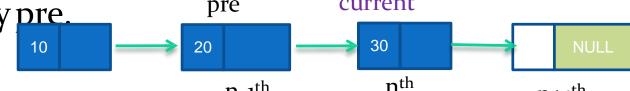
- Traverse to the last node of the linked list keeping track of the second last node in some temp variable say current.
- disconnect the second last node with the last node i.e. current->next = NULL.
- Free the memory occupied by the last node.

#### Linked List: delete\_last

```
void linked_list::delete_last()
{// list is empty
         if(start==NULL) { cout<<"the list is empty" ; return;}</pre>
//only one node
         if (start->next==NULL)
   { delete start; delete last; return;}
//more than one node
         node *current=start;
         node *temp=last;
         while(current->next!=last)
         { current=current->next; }
         current->next=NULL;
         last=current;
         delete temp;
```

#### Delete element at specific position

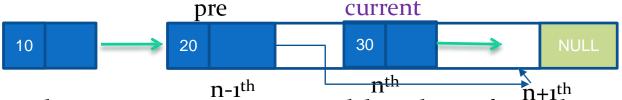
 Traverse to the n<sup>th</sup> node of the singly linked list and also keep reference of n-1<sup>th</sup> node in some tempvariable say pre.



• Reconnect the n-1<sup>th</sup> node with the n+1<sup>th</sup> node

#### i.e. pre->next=current->next;

(Where pre is n-1<sup>th</sup> node and current node is the n<sup>th</sup> node and current->next is the n+1<sup>th</sup> node).



• free the memory occupied by the nth node i.e. current node.

#### Linked List: delete\_position

```
void linked_list::delete_at_position(int pos)
   node *current=start;
   node *pre=start;
   for(int i=1;i<pos;i++)
   { pre=current; current=current->next;
        if(current==NULL) {cout<<" the list has element less than"
                               <<pre><<pre><< "element "; return;}</pre>
   pre->next=current->next;
   delete current;
```

#### Main function

```
int main()
   int value; linked_list list;
   cin>>value;
   list.add_node(value);
   list.add_node(10);
   list.insert_first(4);
   list.insert_first(5);
   list.insert_first(6);
   list.display();
   list.insert_at_position(3,-1);
   list.display();
   list.delete_at_position(3);
   list.display();
   return 0;
```

# Applications of linked list

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#### linked list applications

• Dynamic Memory Management. In allocation and releasing memory at runtime

• Use linked list as a stack by adding and removing elements from the beginning of the list.

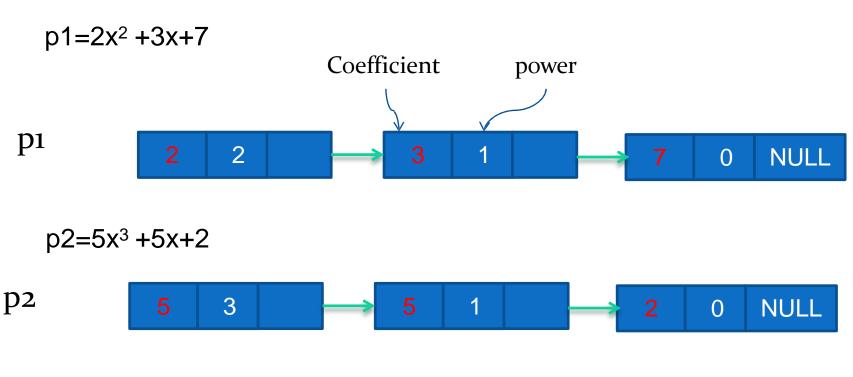
 Use linked list as a queue by adding in the beginning, removing from the end

#### linked list applications

- A great way to represent a deck of cards in a game
- Graphs? Adjacency list representation of graph.
- In hash table, each bucket of the table can itself be a linked list (chaining)
- Use linked list for addition /subtraction /multiplication of two polynomials. Eg:

p1=
$$2x^2 + 3x + 7$$
 and p2= $3x^3 + 5x + 2$   
p1+p2= $3x^3 + 2x^2 + 8x + 9$ 

#### Polynomials using Linked List



$$P = p1+p2=5x^3+2x^2+8x+9$$



### Polynomials using Linked List: node structure

```
Address of
 node
                  Coefficient
                                  power
                                            next node
struct node
       int coeff;
       int pow;
       node *next;
```

#### Assignment 1

- write a program to add two polynomials. using linked list as representation of polynomials
- Deadline 2-11-2019



