



UCS1302: DATA STRUCTURES

Linked list ADT



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Session Objectives

- To learn about Linked list ADT
- Implementation of Linked list

Session Outcomes

- At the end of this session, participants will be able to
 - Understand the concepts of Linked list ADT
 - Implementation of Linked list ADT

Agenda

- Linked list ADT
- Implementation of linked list operations

Linked List ADT

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Linked list

1 •Alternate approach to maintaining an array of elements

2 •Rather than allocating one large group of elements,
3 allocate elements as needed
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Q: how do we know what is part of the array?

A: have the elements keep track of each other
use pointers to connect the elements together as a *LIST*
of things

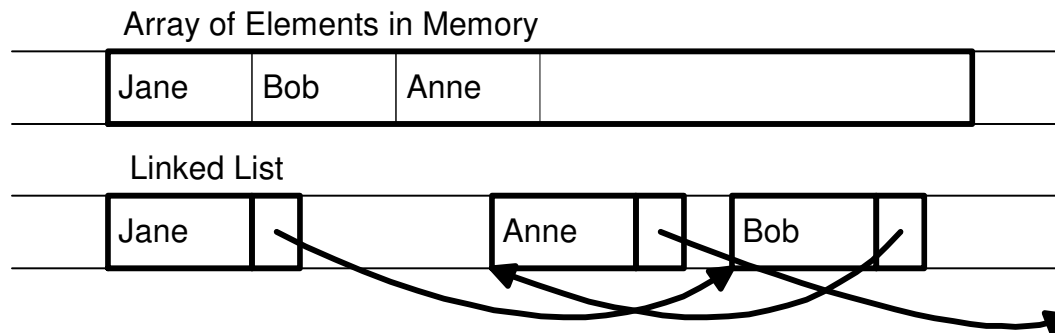


Limitation of arrays

- An array has a limited number of elements
 - routines inserting a new value have to check that there is room
- Can partially solve this problem by reallocating the array as needed (how much memory to add?)
 - adding one element at a time could be costly
 - one approach - double the current size of the array
- A better approach: use a *Linked List*

Dynamically Allocating Elements

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



Linked List

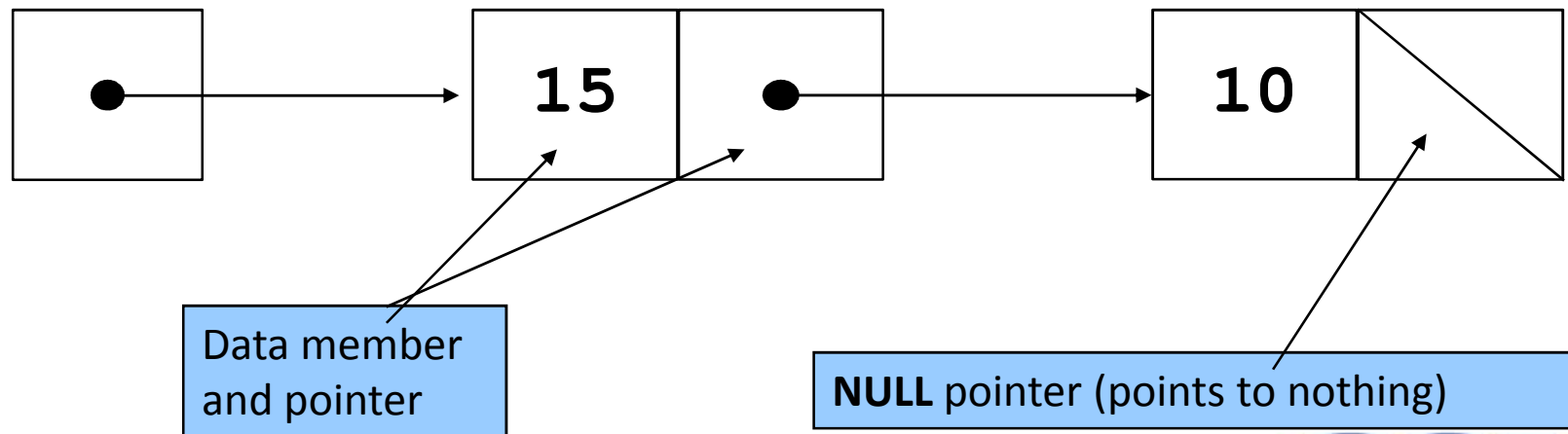
- Need way to indicate end of list (NULL pointer)
- Need to know where list starts (first element)
- Each element needs pointer to next element (its link)
- Need way to allocate new element (use malloc)
- Need way to return element not needed any more (use free)
- Divide element into data and pointer

Types of linked list

- Singly linked list
 - Begins with a pointer to the first node
 - Terminates with a null pointer
 - Only traversed in one direction
- Circular, singly linked
 - Pointer in the last node points back to the first node
- Doubly linked list
 - Two “start pointers” – first element and last element
 - Each node has a forward pointer and a backward pointer
 - Allows traversals both forwards and backwards
- Circular, doubly linked list
 - Forward pointer of the last node points to the first node and backward pointer of the first node points to the last node

Self referential structures

- Self-referential structures
 - Structure that contains a pointer to a structure of the same type
 - Can be linked together to form useful data structures such as lists, queues, stacks and trees
 - Terminated with a **NULL** pointer (0)
- Diagram of two self-referential structure members linked together



Self referential structures

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

- **nextPtr**
 - Points to a structure of type node
 - Referred to as a link
 - Ties one **node** to another **node**

Basic operations on the list

- Creating a List
- Inserting an element in a list
- Deleting an element from a list
- Searching a list

Creating a empty list

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

```
main()
```

```
{
```

```
    // Declarations
```

```
    node *head;
```

```
    head = CreateEmptyList();
```

```
}
```

```
node* CreateEmptyList()
```

```
{
```

```
    node *h;
```

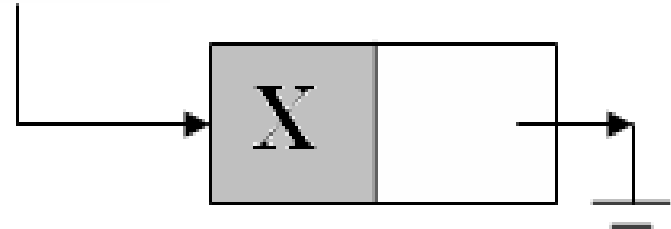
```
    h = (node*)malloc(sizeof(node));
```

```
    h->next = NULL;
```

```
    return h;
```

```
}
```

head



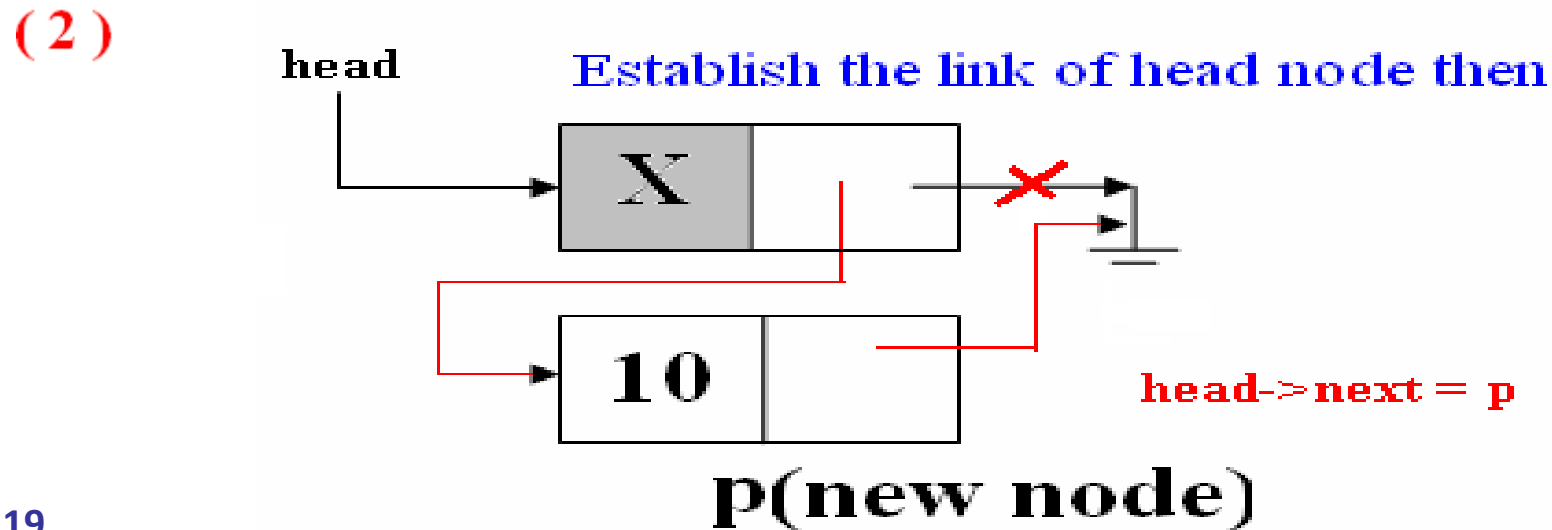
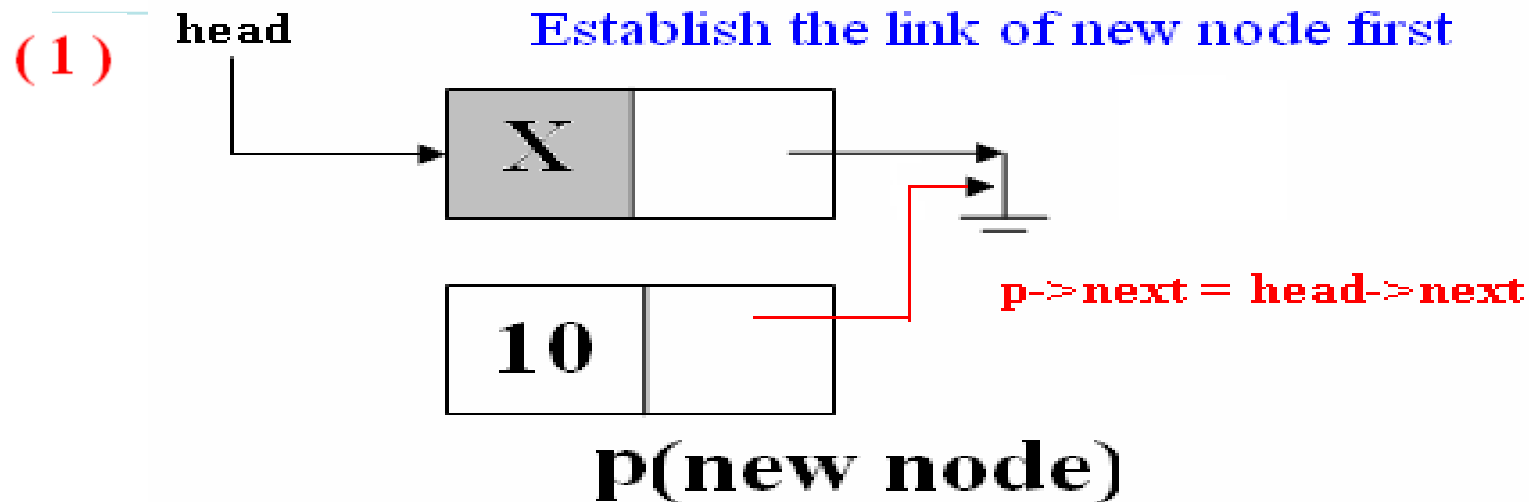
Inserting a node in Singly Linked List(SLL)

- Insertion at the beginning
- Insertion at the end
- Insertion after a particular node

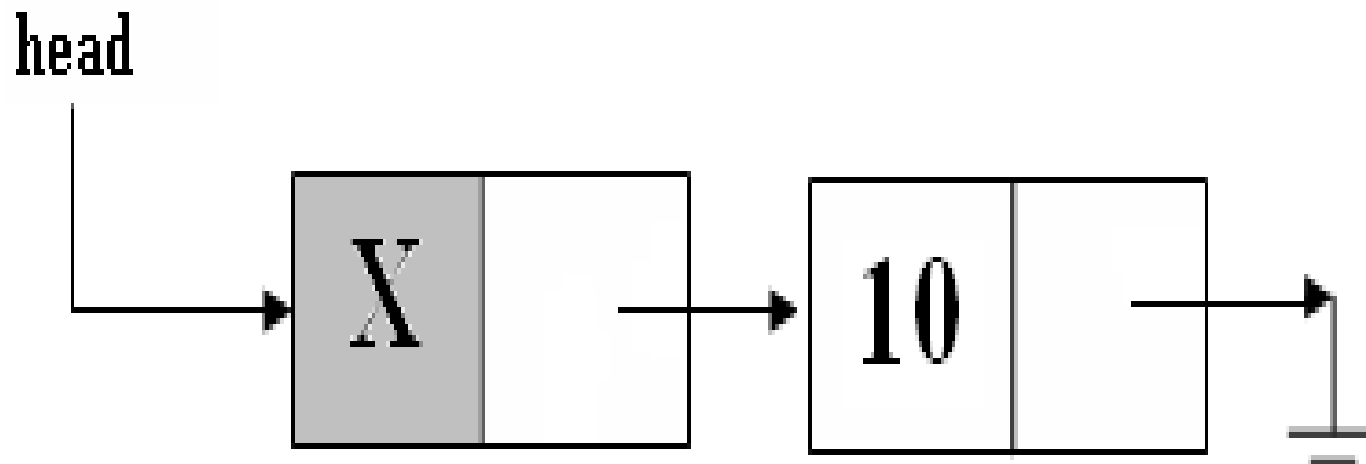
Insertion at the beginning

```
void InsertFirst(node *hd,int element)  
{  
    node *p;  
    p =(node*)malloc(sizeof(node));  
    p->data = element;  
    p->next = hd->next;  
    hd->next = p;  
}
```

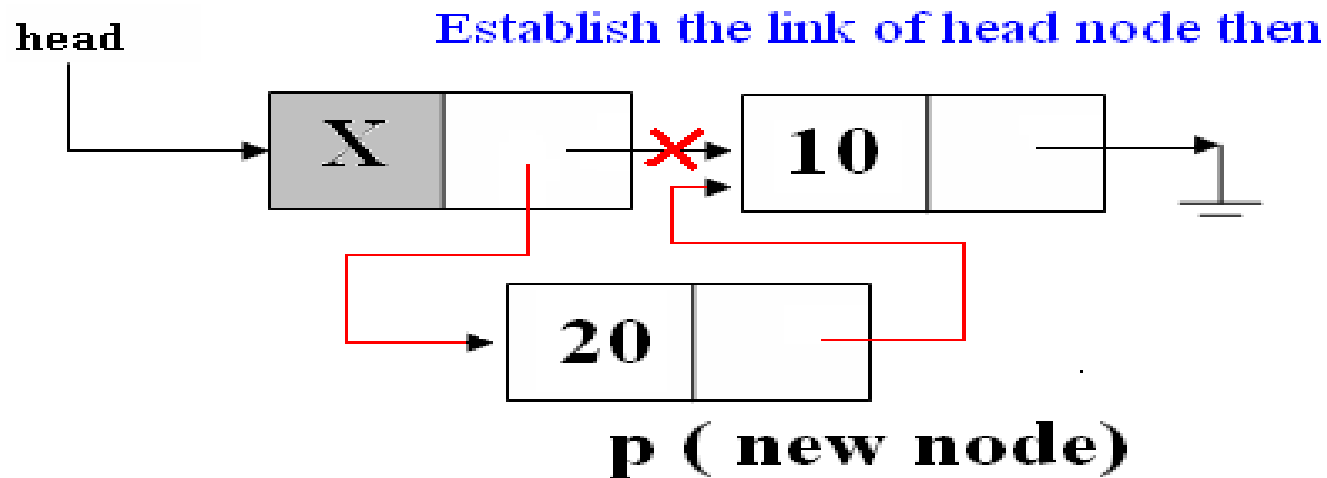
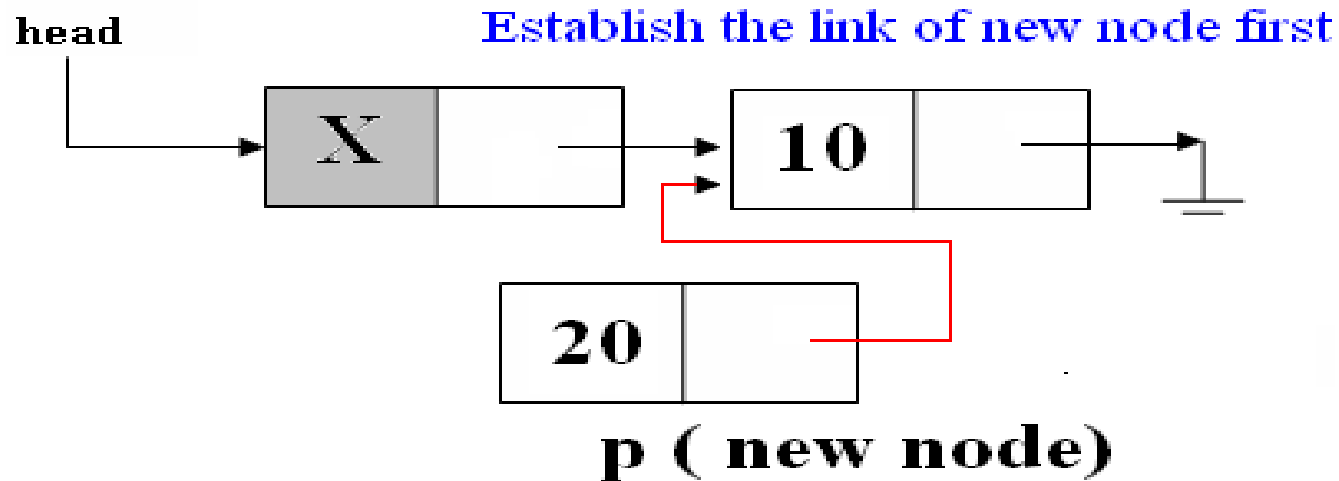
Insert First Explanation



Insert First (Cont ..)



Insert First (Cont ..)



Insert last

```
void InsertLast(node *hd,int element)
```

```
{
```

```
    node *p,*t;
```

```
    p =(node*)malloc(sizeof(node));
```

```
    p->data = element;
```

```
    t = hd->next;
```

```
    while(t->next!=NULL)
```

```
        t = t->next;
```

```
    p->next =t->next;
```

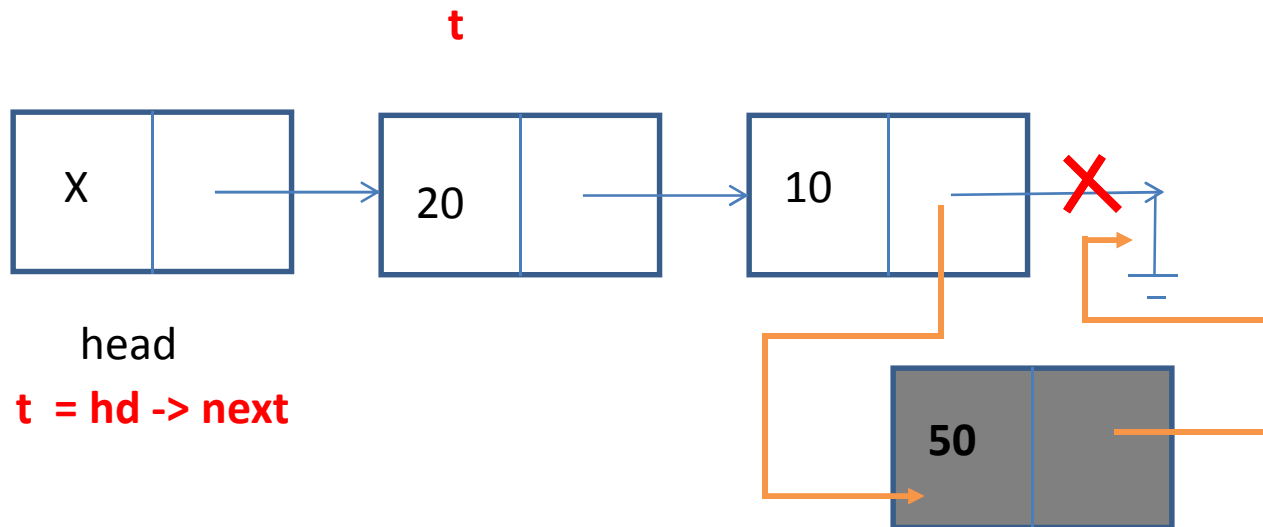
```
    t->next = p;
```

```
}
```

Insert Last

1. Traversing

2. Insert the new node @ last pos



P->data = element
p->next = t->next
t->next = p

t->next != NULL , t = t->next

t->next = NULL ,

Fails

Insert at Position

```
main()
{
    printf("\n Enter Element to insert : ");
    scanf("%d",&n);
    printf("\n Enter Position to insert : ");
    scanf("%d",&pos);
    p = FindPrevious(head,pos);
    InsertMiddle(n,p);
    .
    .
    .
}
```

```
node* FindPrevious(node *hd,int pos)
{
    int i =1;
    node *t;
    t=hd;
    while(i<pos)
    {
        i++;
        t = t->next;
    }
    if(t!=NULL)
        return t;
    else
        return NULL;
}
```

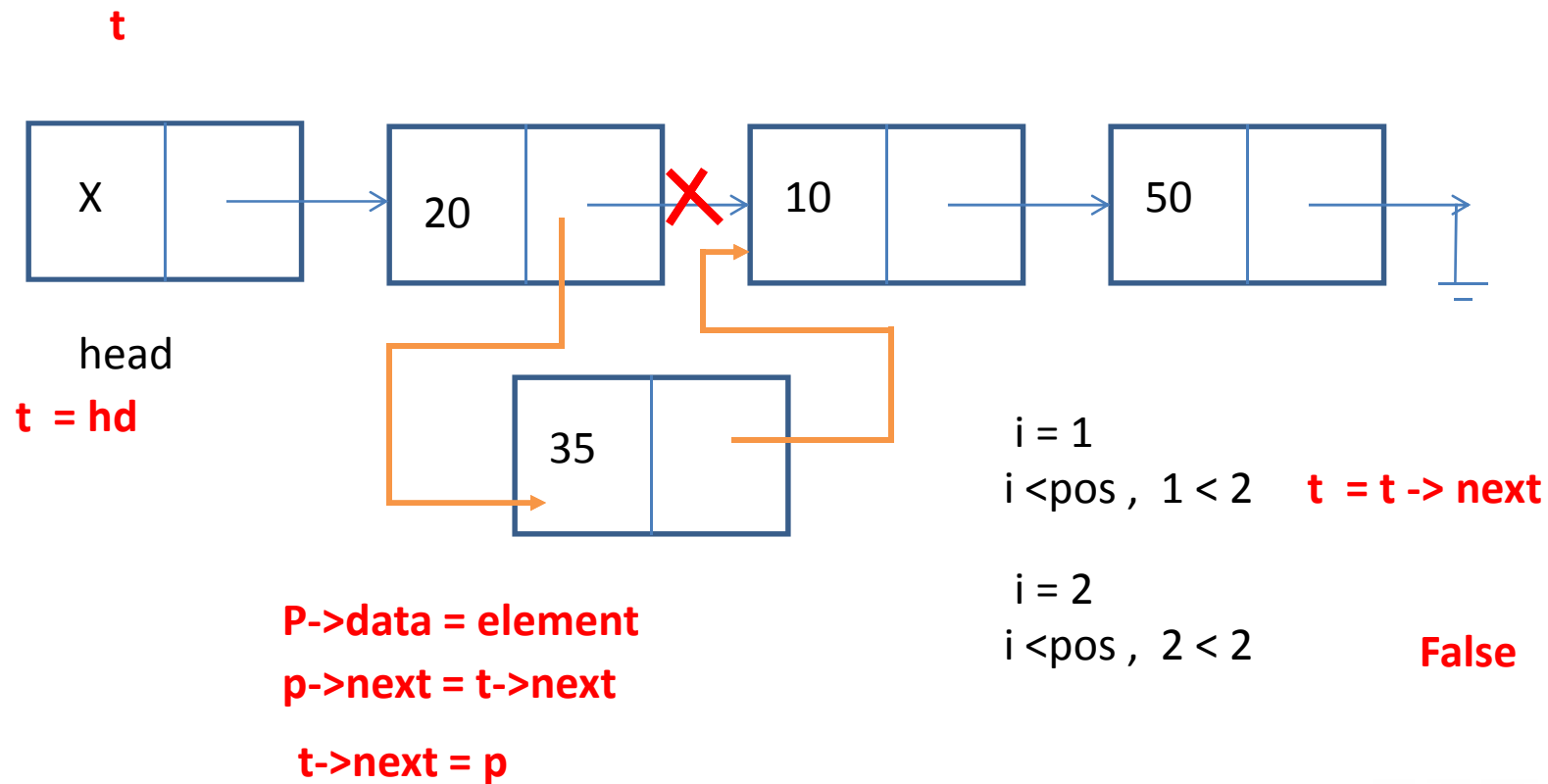

Insert at Position (Cont...)

```
void InsertMiddle(int element, node *t)
{
    node *p;
    p = (node*)malloc(sizeof(node));
    p->data = element;
    p->next = t->next;
    t->next = p;
}
```

Insert at Position 2

1. Find Previous

2. Insert the new node @ pos 2



Display List

```
main()
```

```
{
```

```
    DisplayList(head);
```

```
}
```

```
short isEmpty(node *hd)
```

```
{
```

```
    return( hd->next == NULL );
```

```
}
```

```
void DisplayList(node *hd)
```

```
{
```

```
    node *t;
```

```
    printf("\n Displaying Elements : ");
```

```
    if( isEmpty(hd) )
```

```
        printf(" List is Empty ");
```

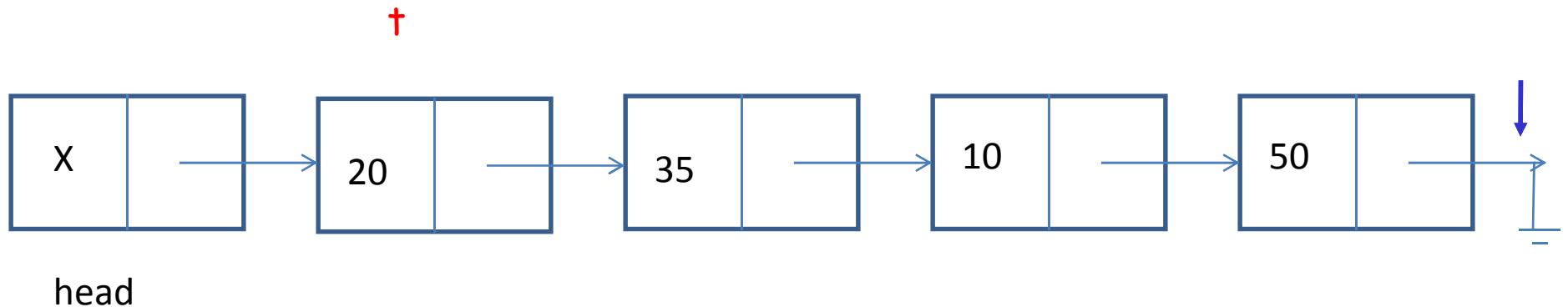
```
    for(t=hd->next;t!=NULL;t=t->next)
```

```
        printf("%d\t",t->data);
```

```
}
```

Displaying the list of Elements

Increment t $t = t \rightarrow \text{next}$



$t = \text{head} \rightarrow \text{next}$

Check $t \neq \text{NULL}$, TRUE FALSE

Printing 20 35 10

50



Delete First

```
main()
```

```
{  
  
n=DeleteFirst(head);  
if(n!=-1)  
    printf("\n Deleted Element :  
        %d",n);  
else  
    printf("\n List Empty");  
}
```

```
int DeleteFirst(node *hd)
```

```
{  
    node *tmp;  
    int r_item;  
    if(!isEmpty(hd))  
    {  
        tmp = hd->next;  
        hd->next = hd->next->next;  
        r_item = tmp->data;  
        free(tmp);  
        return r_item;  
    }  
    else  
        return -1;  
}
```

Delete Last

```
main()
```

```
{
```

```
    n>DeleteLast(head);
```

```
    if(n!=-1)
```

```
        printf("\n Deleted  
        Element : %d",n);
```

```
    else
```

```
        printf("\n List Empty");
```

```
}
```

```
int DeleteLast(node *hd)
```

```
{
```

```
    node *t,*tmp;
```

```
    int r_item=-1;
```

```
    t = hd;
```

```
    while(t->next->next!=NULL)
```

```
        t = t->next;
```

```
    tmp = t->next;
```

```
    r_item = tmp->data;
```

```
    t->next = NULL;
```

```
    return r_item;
```

```
}
```

Delete in the Middle

```
main()
{
    printf(" Enter Position to delete : ");
    scanf("%d",&pos);
    p = FindPrevious(head,pos);
    n = DeleteMiddle(p);
    if(n!=-1)
        printf("\n Deleted Element : %d",n);
    else
        printf("\n List Empty");
}
```

```
int DeleteMiddle(node *p)
{
    node *tmp;
    int r_item=-1;
    tmp = p->next;
    p->next = p->next->next;
    r_item = tmp->data;
    free(tmp);
    return r_item;
}
```

Summary

- Linked list ADT
- Linked list operations