# Lists



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#### **Position ADT**

- The Position ADT models the notion of place within a data structure where a single object is stored
- It gives a unified view of diverse ways of storing data, such as
  - a cell of an array
  - a node of a linked list
- Just one method:
  - object p.element(): returns the element at position

prev

In C++ it is convenient to implement this as \*p

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next

node

elem

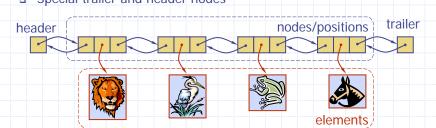
#### Node List ADT

- The Node List ADT models a sequence of positions storing arbitrary objects
- It establishes a before/after relation between positions
- Generic methods:
  - size(), empty()

- Iterators:
  - begin(), end()
- Update methods:
  - insertFront(e), insertBack(e)
  - removeFront(), removeBack()
- Iterator-based update:
  - insert(p, e)
  - remove(p)

## **Doubly Linked List**

- A doubly linked list provides a natural implementation of the Node List ADT
- Nodes implement Position and store:
  - element
  - link to the previous node
  - link to the next node
- Special trailer and header nodes

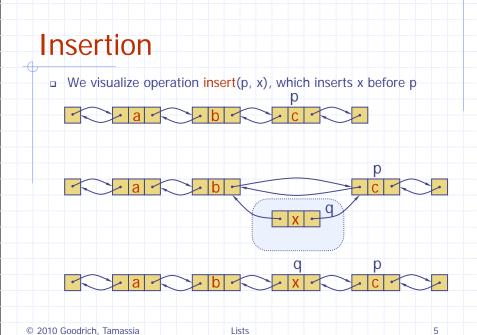


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## **Insertion Algorithm**

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Algorithm insert(p, e): {insert e before p}

Create a new node v

v → element = e

u = p → prev

v → next = p; p → prev = v {link in v before p}

v → prev = u; u → next = v {link in v after u}
```

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### Deletion

```
We visualize remove(p)

p

a b c d

p

d

p

d

p
```

## **Deletion Algorithm**

#### Algorithm remove(p):

$$u = p \rightarrow prev$$
  
 $w = p \rightarrow next$   
 $u \rightarrow next = w \{linking out p\}$   
 $w \rightarrow prev = u$ 

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## Performance

- In the implementation of the List ADT by means of a doubly linked list
  - The space used by a list with *n* elements is O(n)
  - The space used by each position of the list is O(1)
  - All the operations of the List ADT run in O(1) time
  - Operation element() of the Position ADT runs in O(1) time

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