# LINEAR DATA STRUCTURES: VECTORS AND LINKED LIST

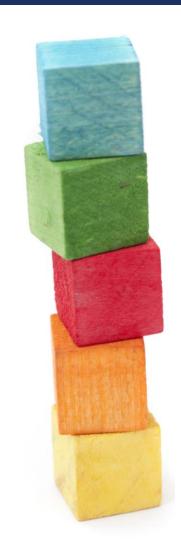
ALGORITHMS AND DATA STRUCTURES



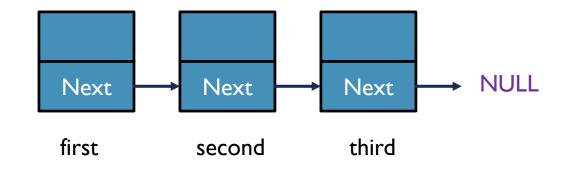
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## **VECTORS**

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#### **VECTORS**

#### Structure

- Vectors represent a dynamic arrays
- Can be resized and reallocated

```
vector<double> age(4);
```

```
age[0] = 32.0;
age[1] = 43.2;
age[2] = 54.5;
age[3] = 64.1;
```



```
class vector{
   int sz;
   double* elem;
public:
   vector(int s):sz(s), // init sz
       elem(new double[s]) // init elem
       for (int i = 0; i < s; i++)
           elem[i] = 0;
   int size()const{return sz;} // current size
};
```

```
template<class T>
class Vector
public:
  typedef T * iterator;
  Vector();
  Vector(unsigned int size);
   Vector(unsigned int size, const T & initial);
   Vector(const Vector<T> & v);  // copy constructor
   ~Vector();
  unsigned int capacity() const;  // return capacity of vector (in elements)
                                        // return the number of elements in the vector
   unsigned int size() const;
   bool empty() const;
                                         // return an iterator pointing to the first element
   iterator begin();
  iterator end();
                                         // return an iterator pointing to one past the last element
  T & front();
                                         // return a reference to the first element
  T & back();
                                         // return a reference to the last element
   void push back(const T & value);
                                        // add a new element
   void pop back();
                                        // remove the last element
   void reserve(unsigned int capacity); // adjust capacity
   void resize(unsigned int size);  // adjust size
   T & operator[](unsigned int index); // return reference to numbered element
  Vector<T> & operator=(const Vector<T> &);
private:
  unsigned int my_size;
  unsigned int my_capacity;
   T * buffer;
};
```

```
template<class T>//
Vector<T>::Vector()
    my_capacity = 0;
    my size = 0;
   buffer = 0;
template<class T>
Vector<T>::Vector(const Vector<T> & v)
    my size = v.my size;
    my capacity = v.my capacity;
    buffer = new T[my size];
    for (int i = 0; i < my size; i++)</pre>
        buffer[i] = v.buffer[i];
template<class T>//
Vector<T>::Vector(unsigned int size)
    my_capacity = size;
    my size = size;
    buffer = new T[size];
```

```
template<class T>//
Vector<T>::Vector(unsigned int size, const T & initial)
   my size;
   my capacity = size;
    buffer = new T [size];
   for (int i = 0; i < size; i++)
        buffer[i] = initial;
template<class T>//
Vector<T> & Vector<T>::operator = (const Vector<T> & v)
   delete[ ] buffer;
   my size = v.my size;
   my_capacity = v.my_capacity;
    buffer = new T [my size];
    for (int i = 0; i < my size; i++)
        buffer[i] = v.buffer[i];
    return *this;
template<class T>//
typename Vector<T>::iterator Vector<T>::begin()
    return buffer;
template<class T>//
typename Vector<T>::iterator Vector<T>::end()
    return buffer + size();
```

```
template<class T>//
T& Vector<T>::Vector<T>::front()
    return buffer[0];
template<class T>//
T& Vector<T>::Vector<T>::back()
    return buffer[size - 1];
template<class T>
void Vector<T>::push back(const T & v)
    if (my size >= my capacity)
         reserve(my capacity +5);
    buffer [my size++] = v;
template<class T>//
void Vector<T>::pop_back()
   my size--;
```

```
template<class T>//
void Vector<T>::reserve(unsigned int capacity)
    if(buffer == 0)
        my size = 0;
        my capacity = 0;
    if (capacity <= my capacity)</pre>
return:
    T * new buffer = new T [capacity];
    assert(new buffer);
    copy (buffer, buffer + my size, new buffer);
    my capacity = capacity;
    delete[] buffer;
    buffer = new buffer;
template<class T>//
unsigned int Vector<T>::size()const
    return my size;
template<class T>//
void Vector<T>::resize(unsigned int size)
    reserve(size);
    my size = size;
```

```
template<class T>//
T& Vector<T>::operator[](unsigned int index)
   return buffer[index];
template<class T>//
unsigned int Vector<T>::capacity()const
   return my_capacity;
template<class T>//
Vector<T>::~Vector()
   delete[]buffer;
```

# LINKED LIST

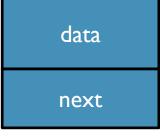
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#### LINKED LIST

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

```
template<typename T>
struct Node
{
    T data;
    Node *next;
};
```

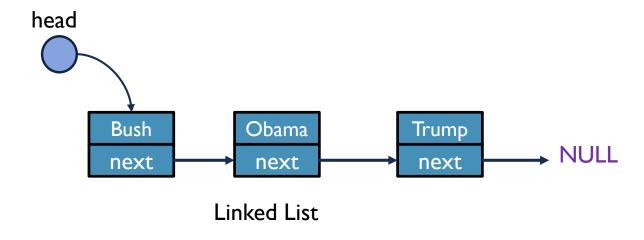


Building Block
Additional pointer

Integer data holder

General case

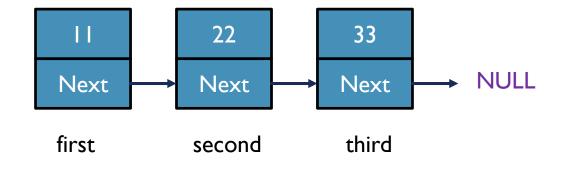
- If a node contains a data member that is a pointer to another node, then many nodes can be strung together using only one variable to access the entire sequence of nodes. Such a sequence of nodes is the most frequently used implementation of a linked list
- If a node has a link only to its successor in this sequence, the list is called a singly linked list
- Data could be any type



#### NODE AS BUILDING BLOCKS

```
struct Node
  int data;
 Node *next;
};
void printList(Node *n)
  while (n != NULL)
     cout<<n->data<<" ";</pre>
     n = n-next;
```

```
int main(){
 Node* first = new Node();
  Node* second = new Node();
  Node* third = new Node();
 first->data = 11;
  first->next = second;
  second->data = 22;
  second->next = third;
  third->data = 33;
  third->next = NULL;
  Node* head = first;
  printList(head);
  system("pause");
```

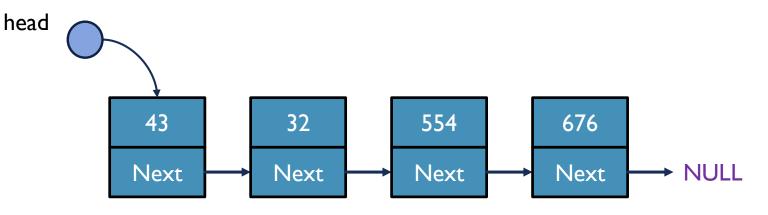


#### LINKED LIST APPENDING

```
void append(Node** head, int added data)
   Node* new node = new Node();
    new_node->data = added_data;
    new_node->next = NULL;
if (*head == NULL){
       *head = new_node;
       return;
   Node *tail = *head; // initial
   while (tail->next != NULL)
       tail = tail->next;
   tail->next = new node;
    return;
```

```
int main(){
  Node* h = NULL;
  append(&h, 43);
  append(&h, 32);
  append(&h, 554);
  append(&h, 676);

  printList(h);
  system("pause");
}
```

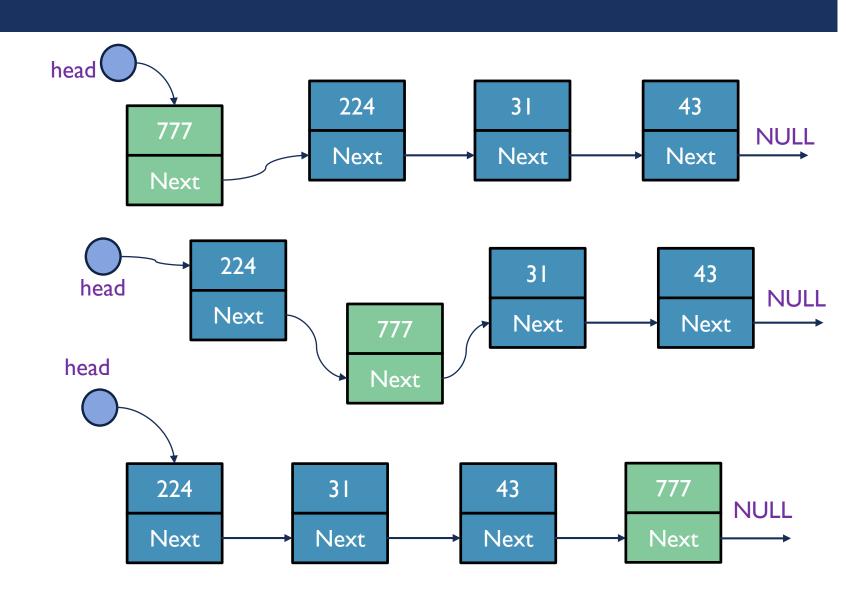


### INSERTING A NODE

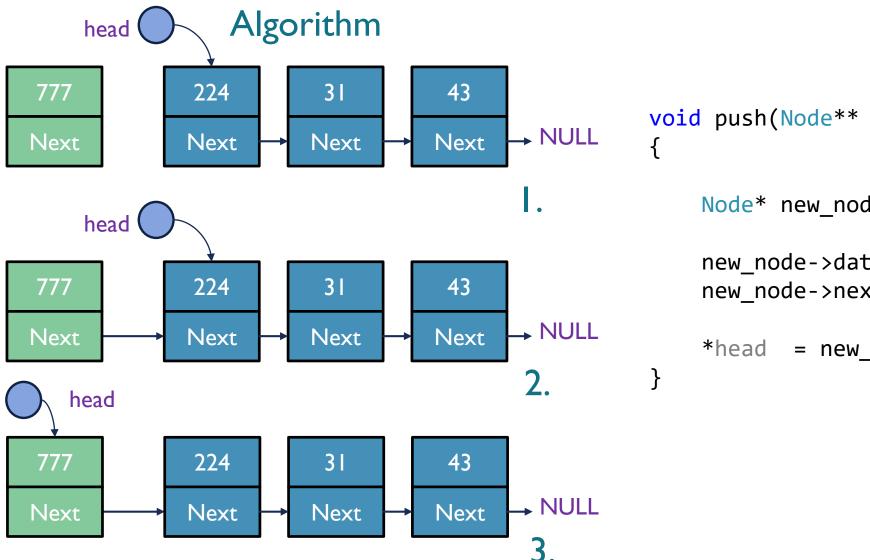
- inserting to the front
  - push()

- inserting after given node
  - insert\_after()

- Inserting at the end of the list
  - append()



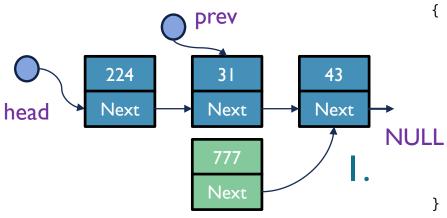
#### INSERTING TO THE FRONT PUSH METHOD



```
void push(Node** head, int new_data)
{
    Node* new_node = new Node;
    new_node->data = new_data;
    new_node->next = *head;
    *head = new_node;
}
```

#### **INSERT AFTER METHODS**

## Algorithm



```
void insertAfter(Node* prev_node, int new_data)
{
    if (prev_node == NULL)
    {
        return;
    }

    Node* new_node = new Node();
    new_node->data = new_data;

    new_node->next = prev_node->next;
    prev_node->next = new_node;
}
```

```
prev

224
31
Next
Next
Next
Null
777
Next
```

After prev pointer

```
void insert_after_pos(Node* head, int pos, int new_data)
   if (head == NULL)
      return;
   Node* new node = new Node();
   new node->data = new data;
Node* pos_before = head;
while (pos > 1)
pos before = pos before->next;
pos--;
   new_node->next = pos_before->next;
    pos_before->next = new_node;
```

After counter

#### DELETING THE NODE

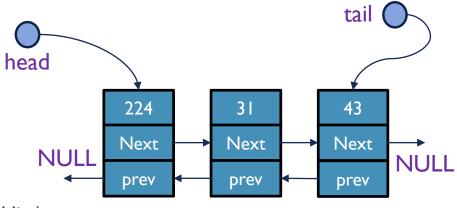
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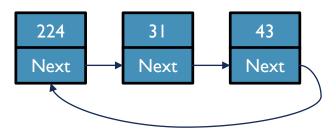
```
void deleteNode(Node **head ref, int key)
    Node *temp = *head_ref, *prev;
    if (temp != NULL && temp->data == key)
        *head ref = temp->next;
        delete temp;
        return;
    while (temp != NULL && temp->data != key)
        prev = temp;
        temp = temp->next;
    if (temp == NULL)
          return;
    prev->next = temp->next;
    delete temp;
```

#### ALTERNATIVE LINKED LISTS

## **Doubly Linked List**

- Cyclic linked lists
- Bidirectional Linked list (Doubly linked list)
- Linked list with additional pointers





Must keep track on number

```
template<typename T>
struct Node
{
   T data;
   Node *next;
   Node * prev;
};
```

#### Additional pointer

```
template<typename T>
struct Node
{
    T data;
    Node *next;
    unsigned int elements;
};
```

Must keep track on elements

## LISTS ALGORITHMS

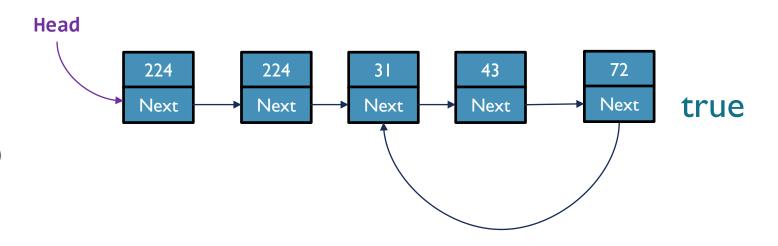
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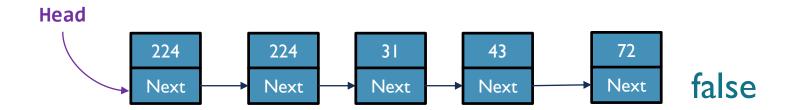


## LOOP DETECTION

## Task

- Given linked List ( head pointer)
- Detect the exiting of the loop

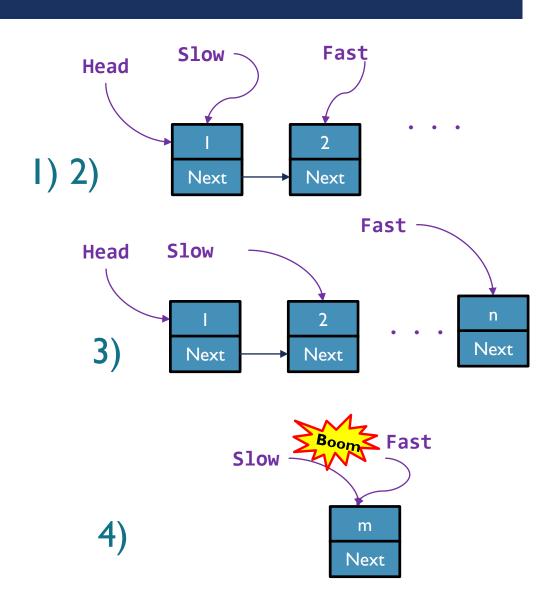




### LOOP DETECTION

## Algorithm

- Create 2 pointers. (1,2)
  - Slow Pointer,
  - Fast Pointer
- Start travers through the list (with different speed) (3)
  - Slow = Slow -> next
  - Fast = Fast ->next -> next
- If Loop exist: (4)
  - Fast and Slow pointers will eventually meet each other



#### LOOP DETECTION

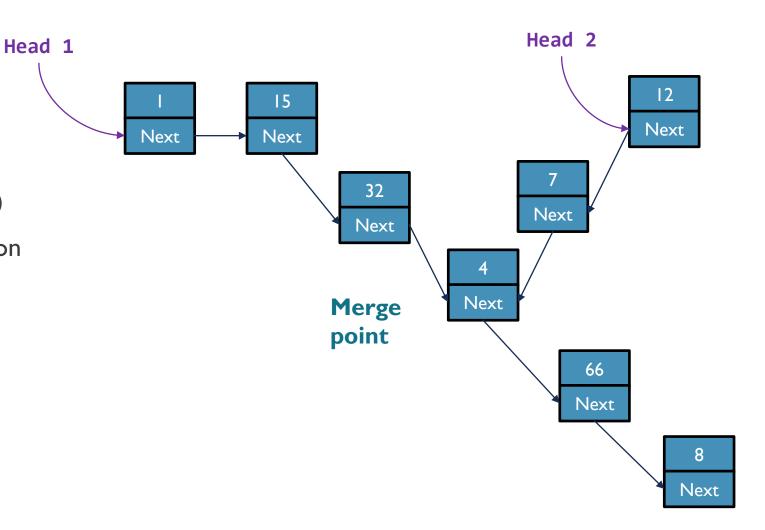
```
int find_loop(Node *list)
    Node *slow_p = list, *fast_p = list;
    while (slow_p && fast_p && fast_p->next )
        slow_p = slow_p->next;
        fast_p = fast_p->next->next;
        if (slow_p == fast_p)
           cout<<"Loop Detected"<<endl;</pre>
           return true;
    return false;
```

### MERGE POINT DETECTION

#### **Task**

Given two Linked Lists (the head)

Find the merge point (aka Insertion point) of two linked lists



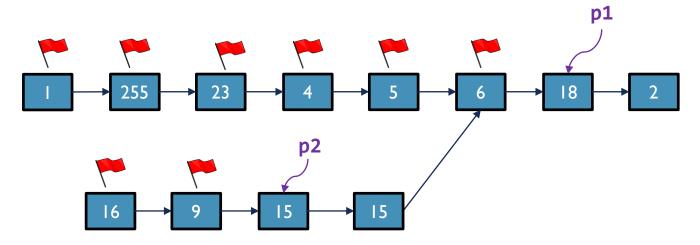
#### MERGE POINT DETECTION

## Algorithm I

- Brute Force Approach  $O(n^2)$ 
  - Create two nested loops
  - Check if the node in the inner node is the same as the node in the outer loop

## Algorithm 2

- Additional information in the node O(n+m)
  - Modify the current Linked List structure by adding a flag.
  - Traverse both heads through the loop and change the state of the flag inside the nodes.
  - If one of heads detects that flag inside the traversed node has been changed – this node is an insertions node.



#### MERGE POINT DETECTION

## Algorithm 3

- Couting the node O(n+m)
  - Create the first and the second pointer from head of both nodes
  - Count the number of nodes while traversing in both lists
  - Check the absolute difference between both list number num = abs( Count I Count 2)
  - traverse the bigger list from the first node till d nodes so that from here onwards both the lists have equal no of nodes
  - traverse both the lists in parallel till we come across a common node. (Note that getting a common node is done by comparing the address of the nodes)

#### MERGE POINT DETECTION

```
int count(struct Node* head)
{
    struct Node* current = head;
    int count = 0;

    while (current != NULL)
    {
        count++;
        current = current->next;
    }

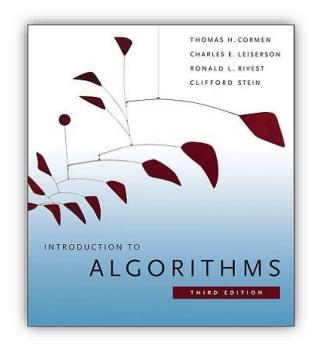
    return count;
}
```

```
int merge point util(int d, Node* head1, Node* head2)
  int i;
  Node* current1 = head1;
 Node* current2 = head2;
  for(i = 0; i < d; i++)</pre>
    if(current1 == NULL)
    { return -1; }
    current1 = current1->next;
  while(current1 != NULL && current2 != NULL)
    if(current1 == current2)
      return current1->data;
    current1= current1->next;
    current2= current2->next;
  return -1;
```

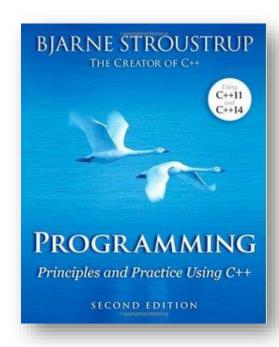
```
int Merge_point( Node* head1, Node* head2)
{
  int c1 = count(head1);
  int c2 = count(head2);
  int d;

if(c1 > c2)
  {
    d = c1 - c2;
    return merge_point_util(d, head1, head2);
  }
  else
  {
    d = c2 - c1;
    return merge_point_util(d, head2, head1);
  }
}
```

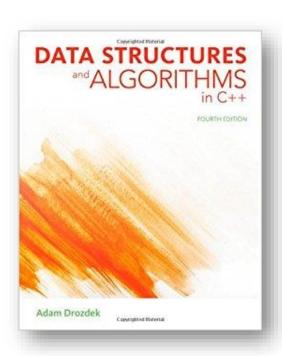
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