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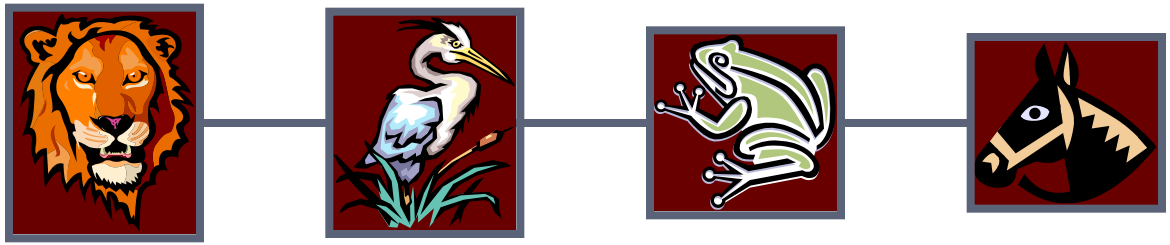
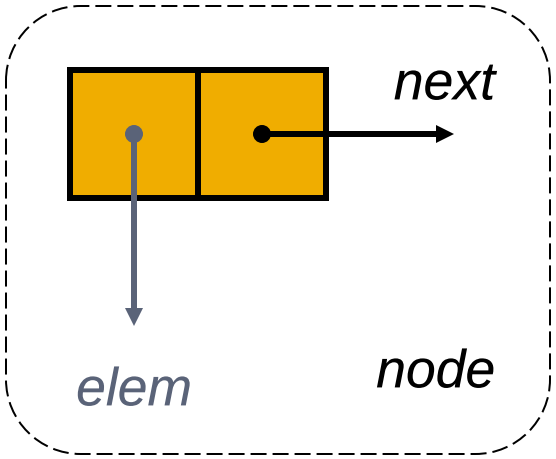


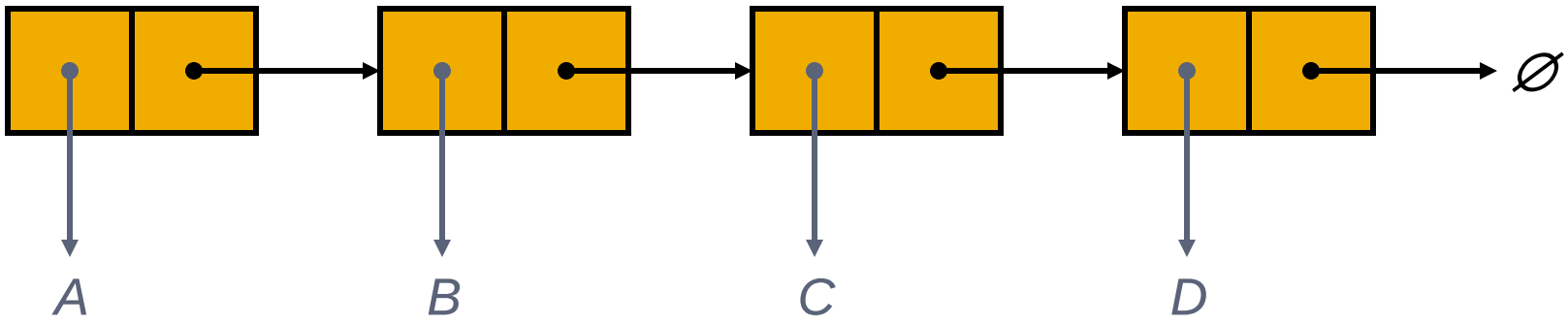
Outline and Reading

- Singly linked list
- Position ADT and List ADT (§ 2.2.2)
- Doubly linked list (§ 2.2.2)
- Sequence ADT (§ 2.2.3)
- Implementations of the sequence ADT (§ 2.2.3)
- Iterators (2.2.3)

Singly Linked List

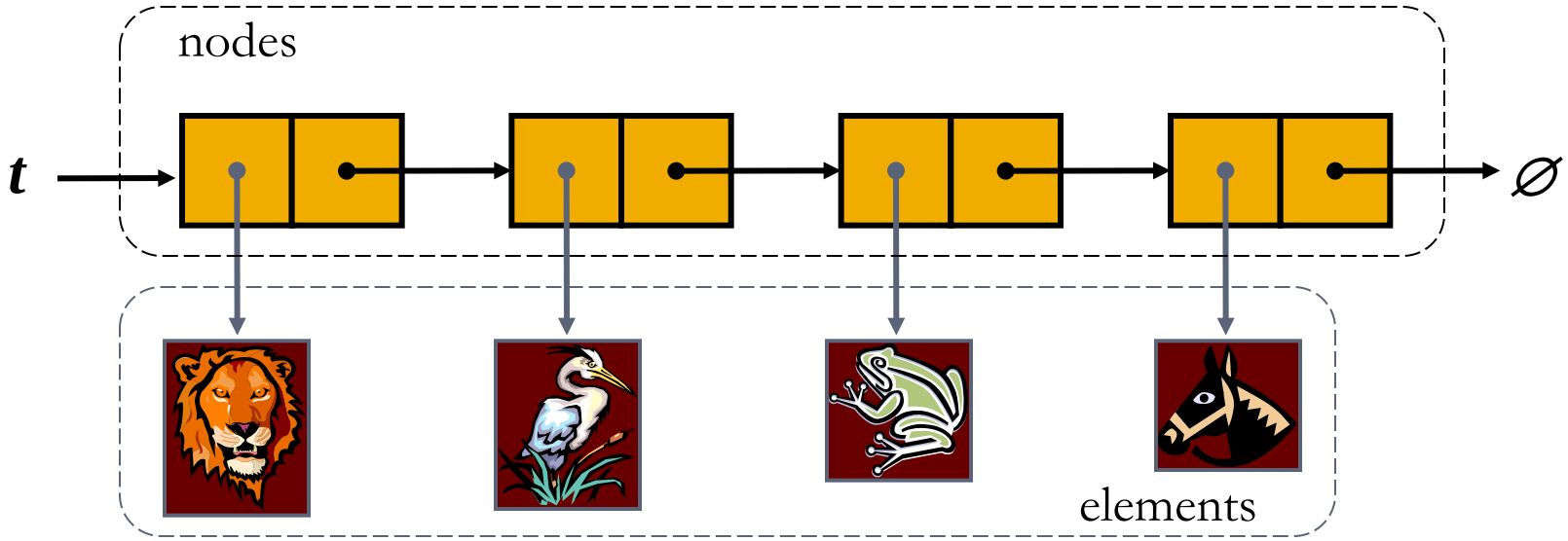
- A singly linked list is a concrete data structure consisting of a sequence of nodes
- Each node stores
  - element
  - link to the next node





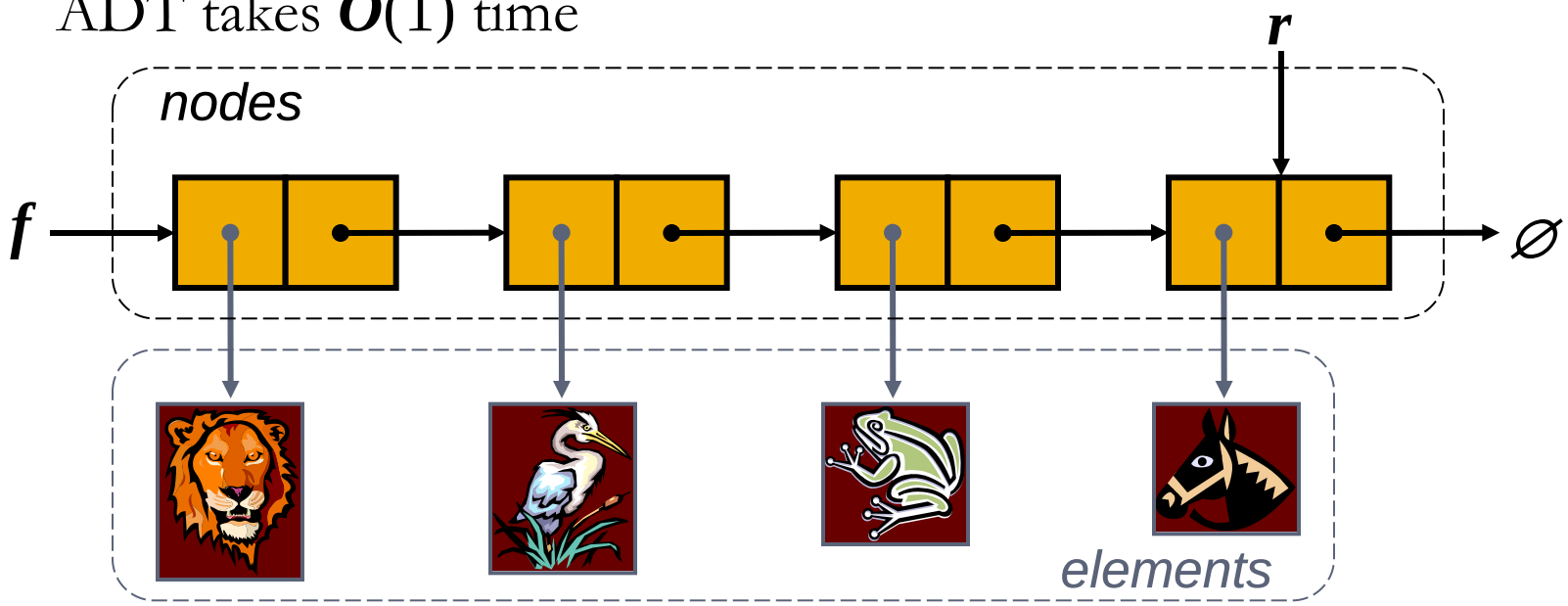
Stack with a Singly Linked List

- We can implement a stack with a singly linked list
- The top element is stored at the first node of the list
- The space used is $O(n)$ and each operation of the Stack ADT takes $O(1)$ time



Queue with a Singly Linked List

- We can implement a queue with a singly linked list
  - The front element is stored at the first node
  - The rear element is stored at the last node
- The space used is $O(n)$ and each operation of the Queue ADT takes $O(1)$ time



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

List ADT

- The List ADT models a sequence of positions storing arbitrary objects
- It establishes a before/after relation between positions
- Generic methods:
  - size(), isEmpty()
- Query methods:
  - isFirst(p), isLast(p)

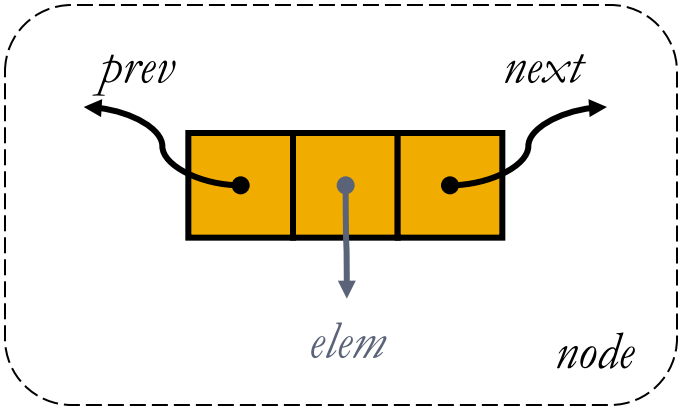
Accessor methods:

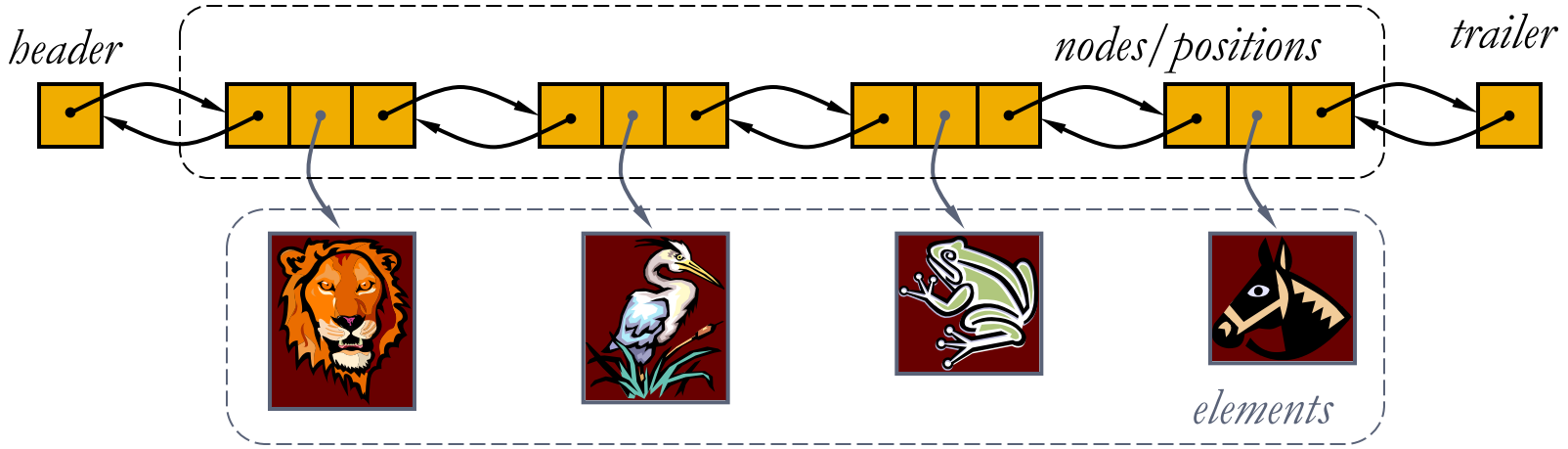
- first(), last()
- before(p), after(p)

- Update methods:
  - replaceElement(p, o), swapElements(p, q)
  - insertBefore(p, o), insertAfter(p, o),
  - insertFirst(o), insertLast(o)
  - remove(p)

Doubly Linked List

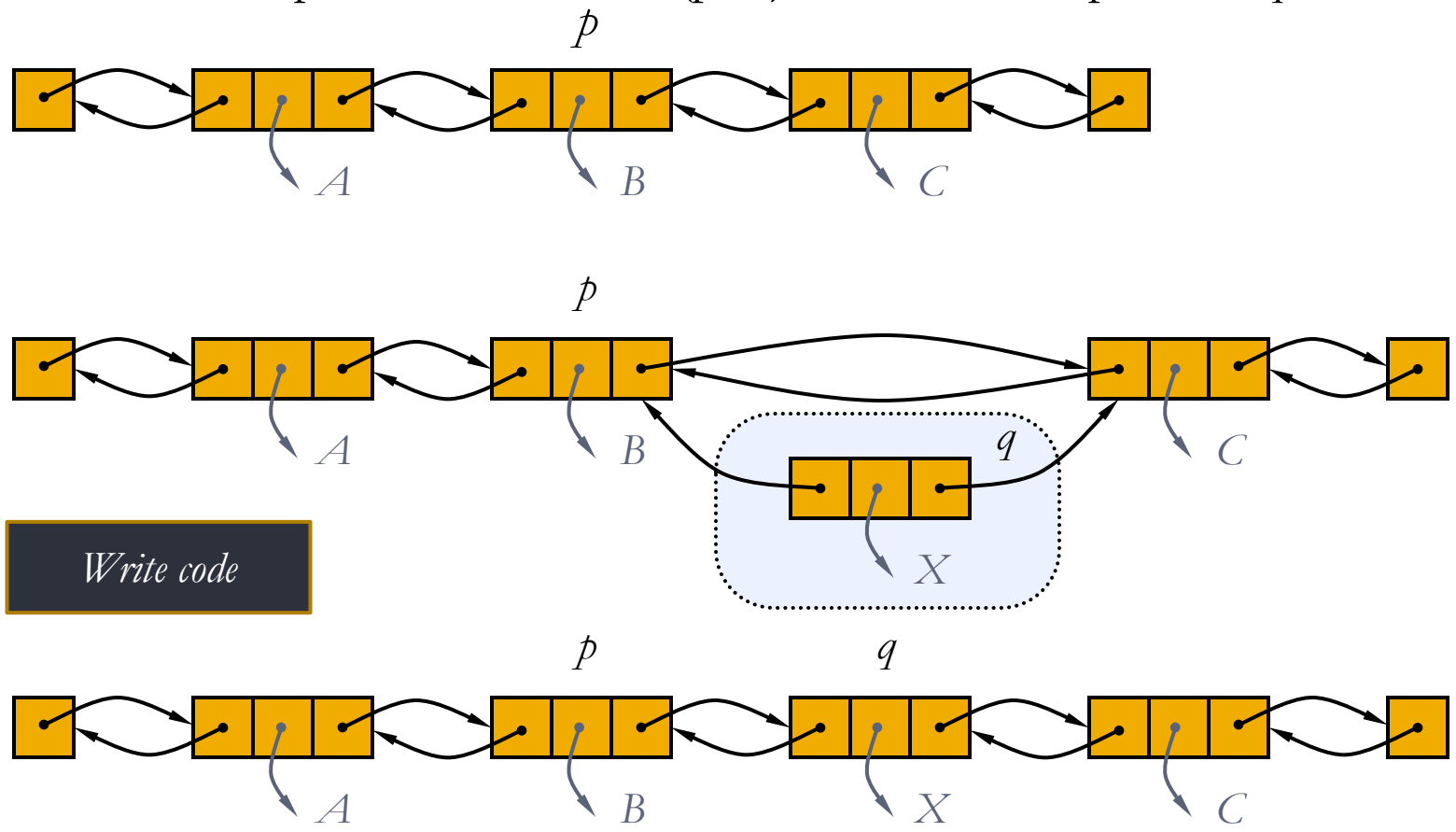
- A doubly linked list provides a natural implementation of the List ADT
- Nodes implement Position and store:
  - element
  - link to the previous node
  - link to the next node
- Special trailer and header nodes





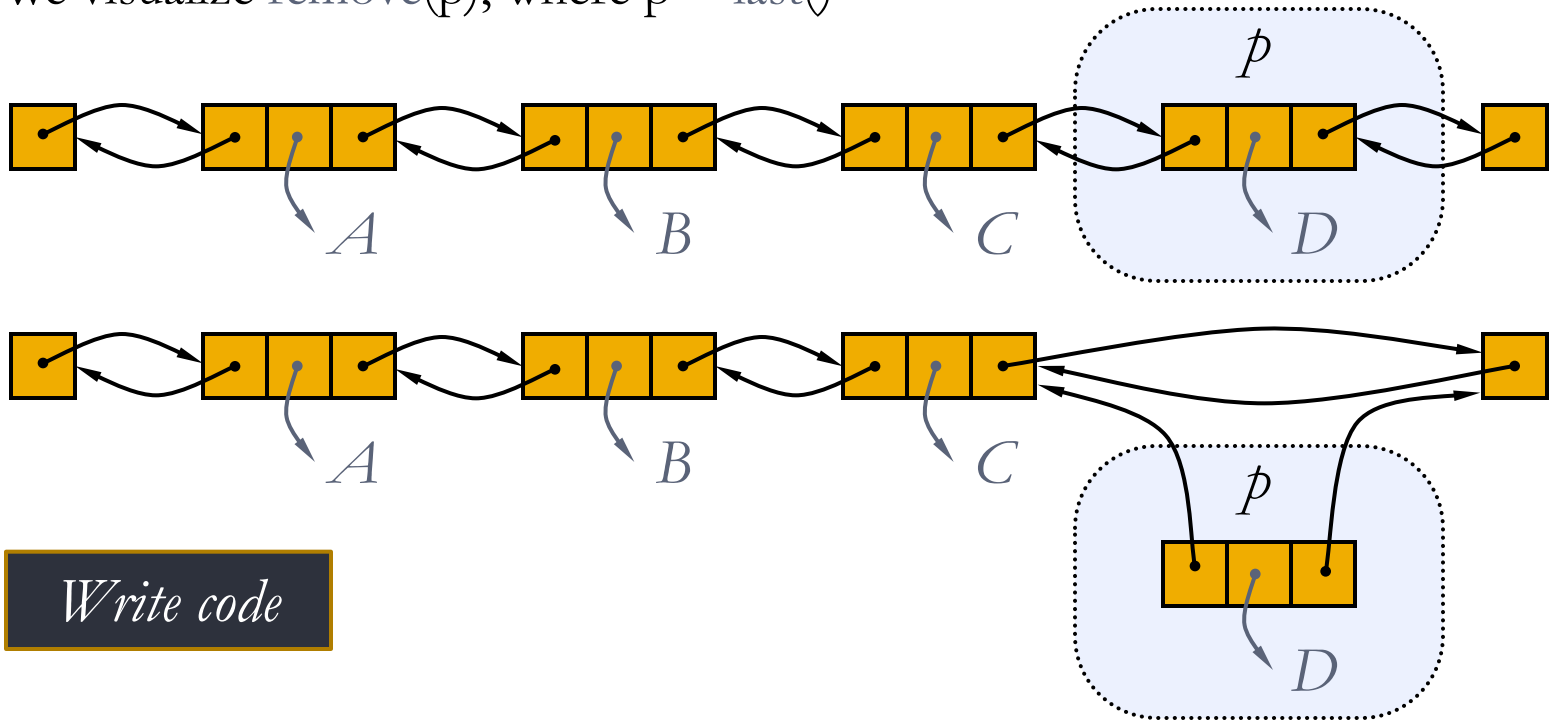
Insertion

- We visualize operation insertAfter(p, X), which returns position q



Deletion

- We visualize remove(p), where p = last()



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

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Thank you!