



Link Lists



Structure: Review

- Previously, we have used **array of structure** to store the information of 3 students.

```
struct student
{
    string name;
    int rollNumber;
    float cgpa;
};
```

```
student input()
{
    student stu;
    cout << "Enter Student Name:" << endl;
    cin.ignore();
    getline(cin, stu.name);
    cout << "Enter Student Roll Number:" << endl;
    cin >> stu.rollNumber;
    cout << "Enter Student CGPA:" << endl;
    cin >> stu.cgpa;
    return stu;
}
```

```
void print(student stu)
{
    cout << stu.name;
    cout << "\t";
    cout << stu.rollNumber;
    cout << "\t";
    cout << stu.cgpa;
    cout << endl;
}
```

```
main()
{
    student total_stu[3];
    for (int i = 0; i < 3; i++)
    {
        total_stu[i] = input();
    }
    for (int i = 0; i < 3; i++)
    {
        print(total_stu[i]);
    }
}
```


Structure: Review

- In this we had **specify the size** of the array before compilation.

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Structure: Dynamic Allocation of Memory

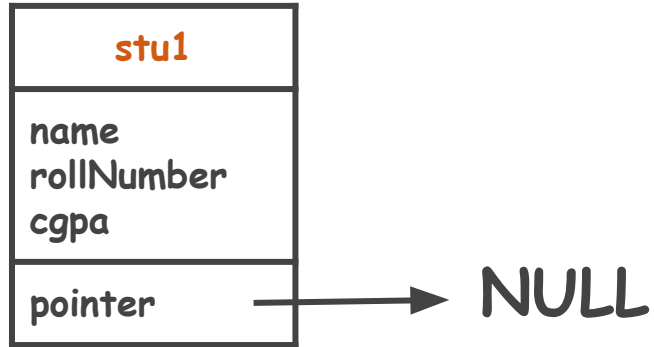
- Is there a way, in which we do not have to specify the size at compilation time, so, we could add the records as we need at the execution time?

Structure: Dynamic Allocation of Memory

- Yes, We can do that with the help of pointers.

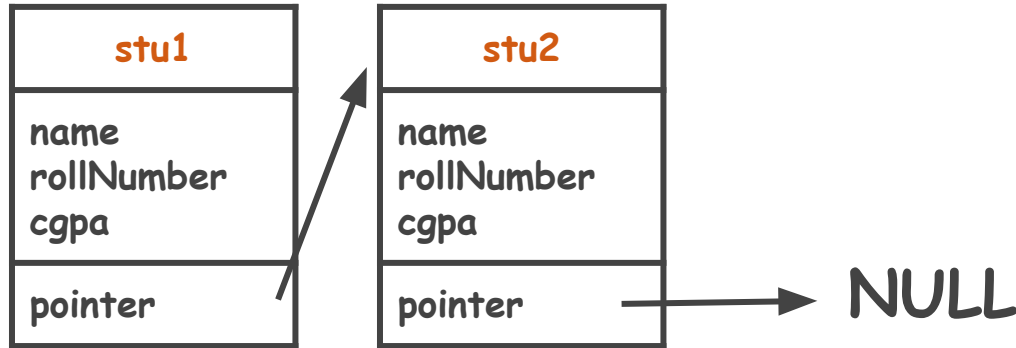
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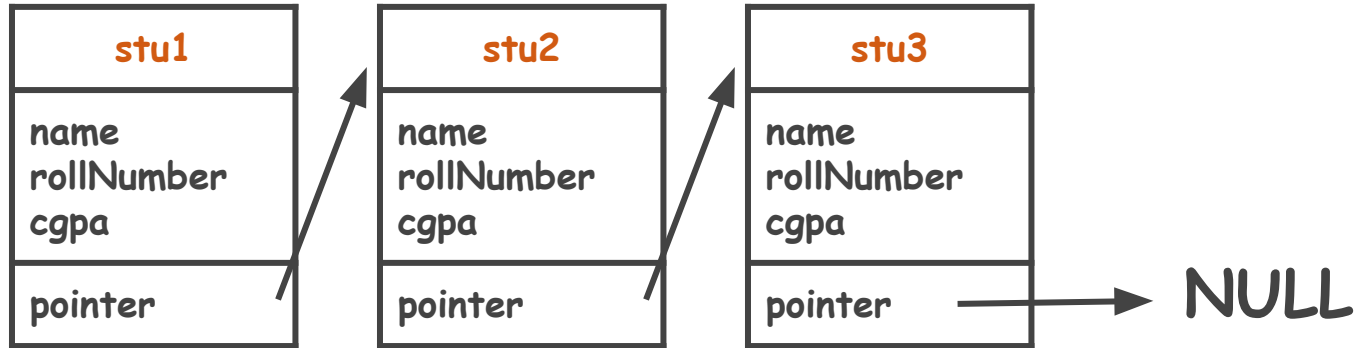
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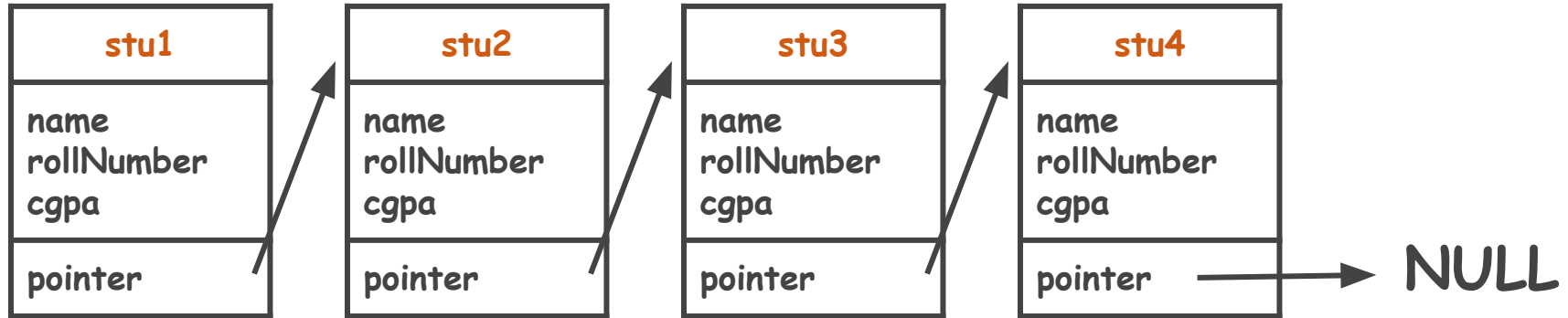
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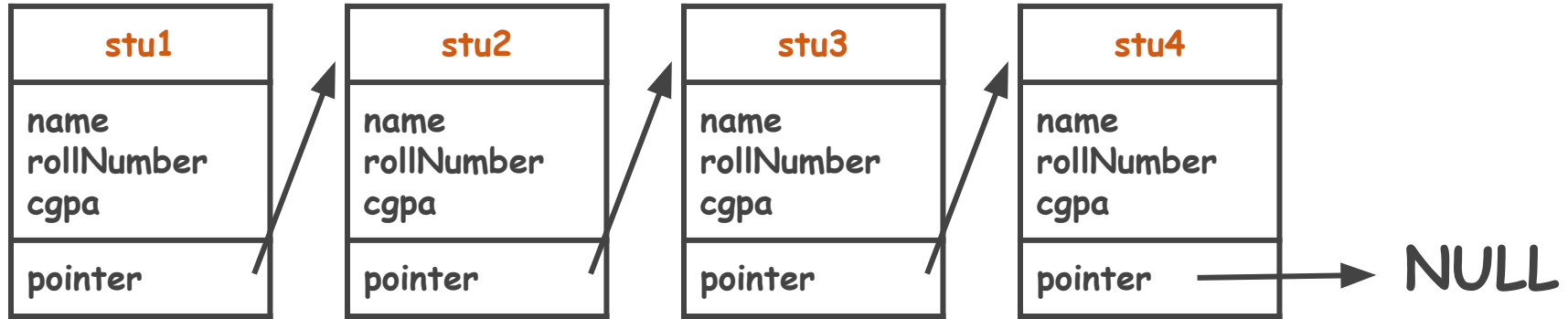
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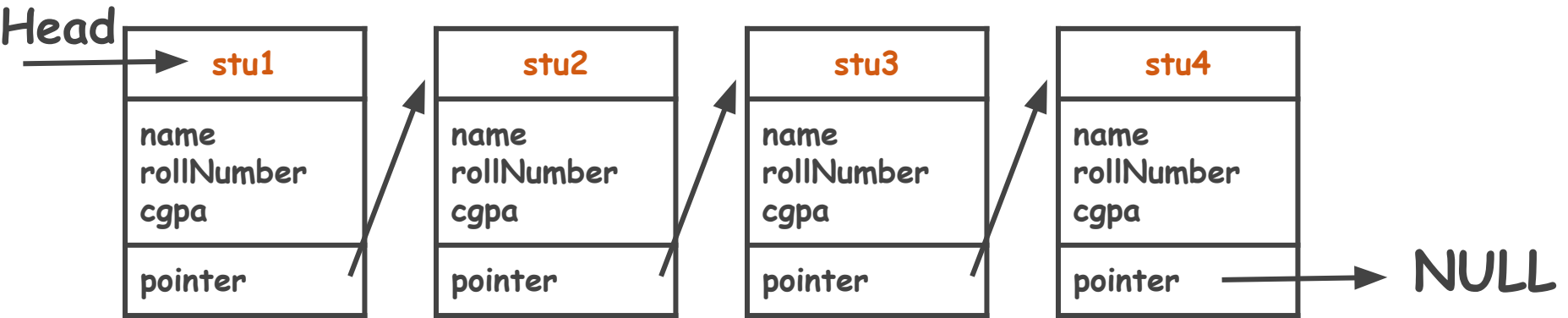
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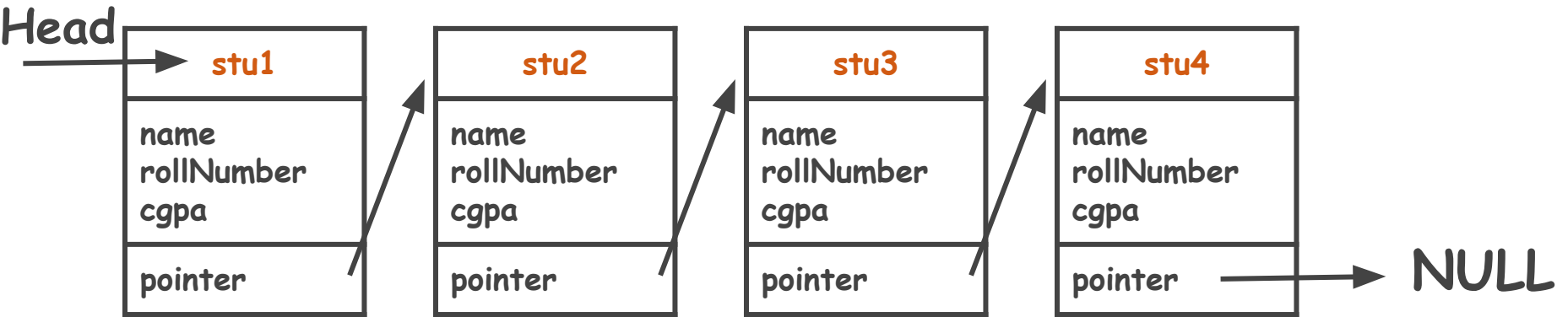
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Linked List

- This way of storing the information dynamically is called **linked list**.



Linked List

- We add a **pointer** at the end of the student structure.

```
struct student
{
    string name;
    int rollNumber;
    float cgpa;
};
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struct student
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    student *next;
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Updated

Linked List

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Pointer that
will point to
the next
student record



Updated

Linked List

First of all, we will make a pointer that will point towards the **start** of the **Link List**.

Initially, there is no student record therefore, the starting pointer (let's call it **head**) will point towards **NULL**.

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
struct student
{
    string name;
    int rollNumber;
    float cgpa;
    student *next;
};

student *head = NULL;
```

|| Link List: Take Input

- Lets see how we can take input from the user.

Linked List

We will take input from the user using the function **takeInput()**.

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
struct student
{
    string name;
    int rollNumber;
    float cgpa;
    student *next;
};
student *head = NULL;
void takeInput()
{
    string name;
    int roll;
    float cgpa;
    cout << "Enter Student Name: ";
    cin >> name;
    cout << "Enter Student Roll Number: ";
    cin >> roll;
    cout << "Enter Student CGPA: ";
    cin >> cgpa;
    addRecord(name, roll, cgpa);
}
```

|| Link List: Insertion at the End

- Lets see how we can **insert** records at the end of the link list.

Linked List


Now we will make the records **dynamically** as the user enters the input.

```
void addRecord(string n, int roll, float grade)
{
    student *record = new student;
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new is a keyword
that allocates the
memory
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Linked List

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The **Dot(.)** operator is used to normally access members of a structure.

The **Arrow(->)** operator exists to access the members of the structure using pointers.

Linked List

Now, we have to see if the user has entered the **first record** then we have to set the **head** pointer at that record.

```
void addRecord(string n, int roll, float grade)
{
    student *record = new student;
    record->name = n;
    record->rollNumber = roll;
    record->cgpa = grade;
    record->next = NULL;
    if (head == NULL)
    {
        head = record;
    }
}
```

Linked List

If the user enters any other record then we have to store at the **end** of the link list.

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void addRecord(string n, int roll, float grade)
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    {
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For that, we have to find the **last record**.




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    while (temp->next != NULL)
    {
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    }
    return temp;
}
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Linked List

For that we keep iterating on the link list until the last record points towards **NULL**.

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    }
}
```



Then we store the record at the end of the **link list**.

|| Link List: Traverse the Records

- Lets see how we can **print** all the records of the link list.

Linked List

First of all, let's make a **function** to print a single record.

```
void printSingleRecord(student *temp)
{
    cout << "Name: ";
    cout << temp->name << endl;
    cout << "Roll Number: ";
    cout << temp->rollNumber << endl;
    cout << "CGPA: ";
    cout << temp->cgpa << endl;
}
```

Linked List

Now, Let's print all the records of the link list starting from the **head** of the link list.

Until the **temp** pointer reaches the end of the link list keep on printing the records.



```
void printSingleRecord(student *temp)
{
    cout << "Name: ";
    cout << temp->name << endl;
    cout << "Roll Number: ";
    cout << temp->rollNumber << endl;
    cout << "CGPA: ";
    cout << temp->cgpa << endl;
}
```

```
void printRecords()
{
    student *temp = head;
    while (temp != NULL)
    {
        printSingleRecord(temp);
        temp = temp->next;
    }
}
```

|| Link List: Search the Records

- Lets see how we can **search** a specific item from the link list.

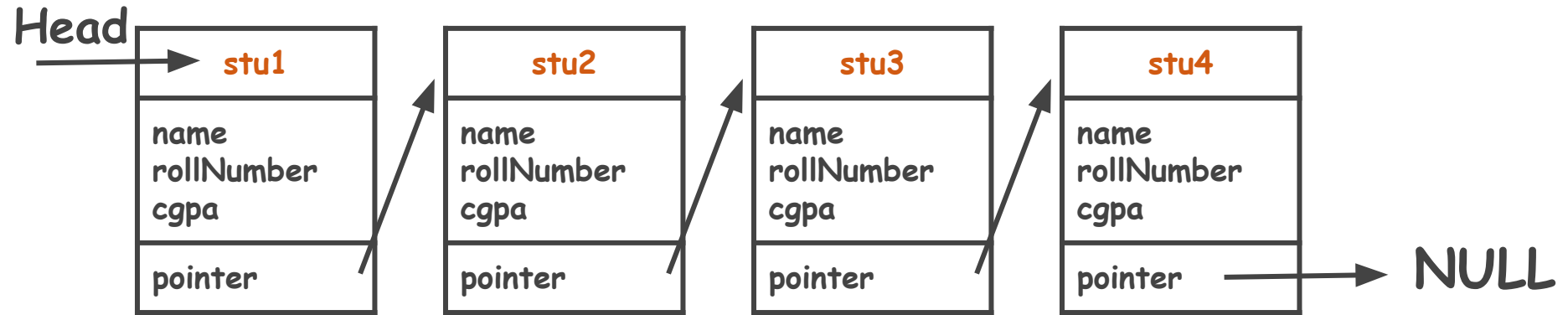
Linked List

Let's find a specific name of the student in the link list.

```
void searchRecord(string n)
{
    student *temp = head;
    bool isFound = false;
    while (temp != NULL)
    {
        if(temp->name == n)
        {
            cout << "Record found" << endl;
            isFound = true;
            break;
        }
        temp = temp->next;
    }
    if(isFound == false)
    {
        cout << "Record not found" << endl;
    }
}
```

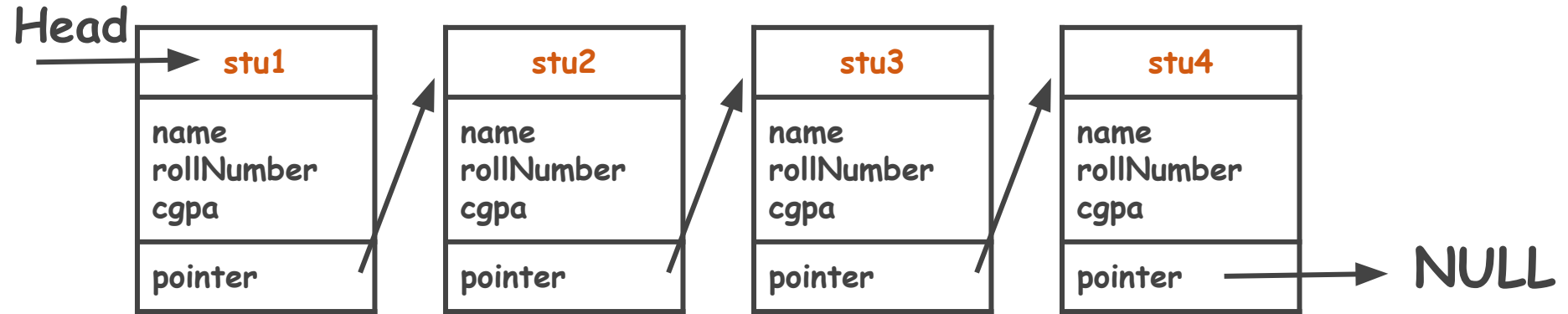
Link List: Delete the Records

- Lets see how we can **delete** a specific record from the link list.



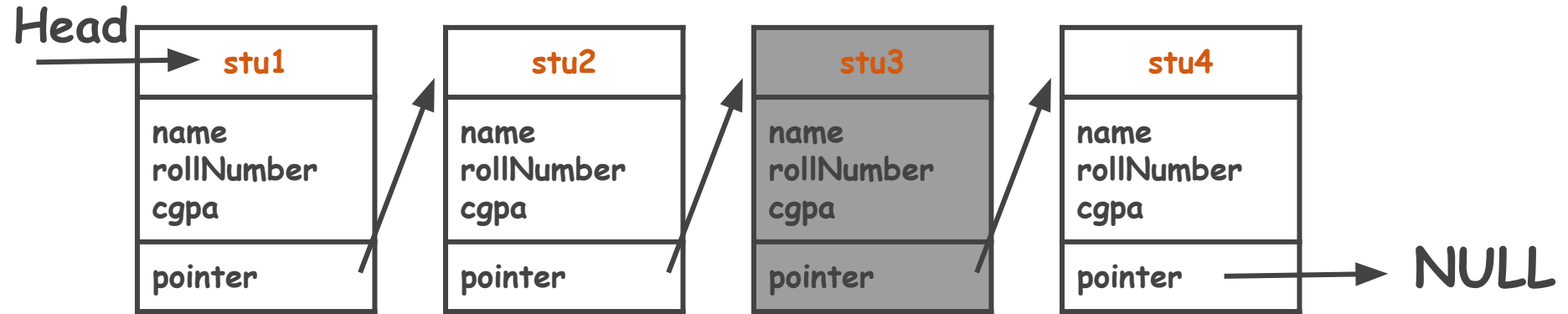
Link List: Delete the Records

- Suppose we want to **delete** the student with name Ibrahim. We searched the link list and found that he is present at **stu3**.



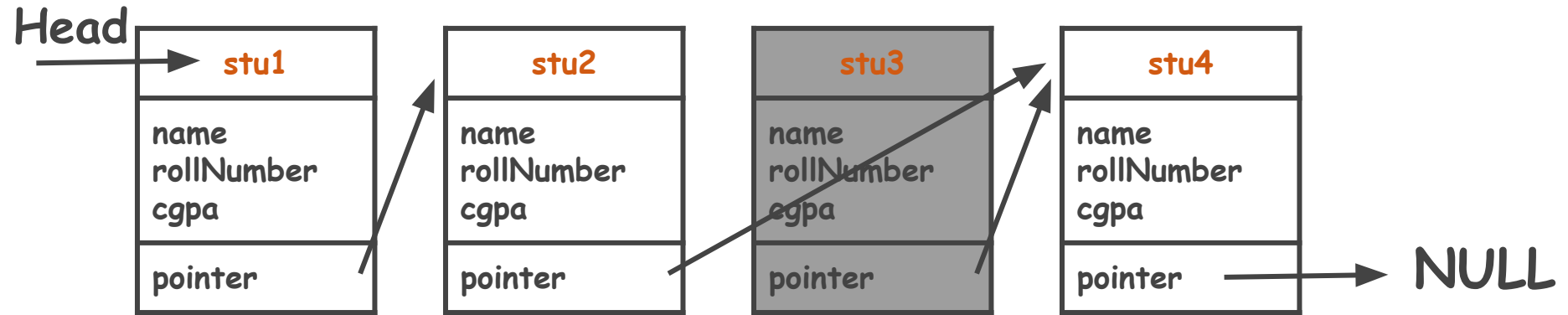
Link List: Delete the Records

- Suppose we want to **delete** the student with name **XYZ**. We searched the link list and found that he is present at **stu3**.



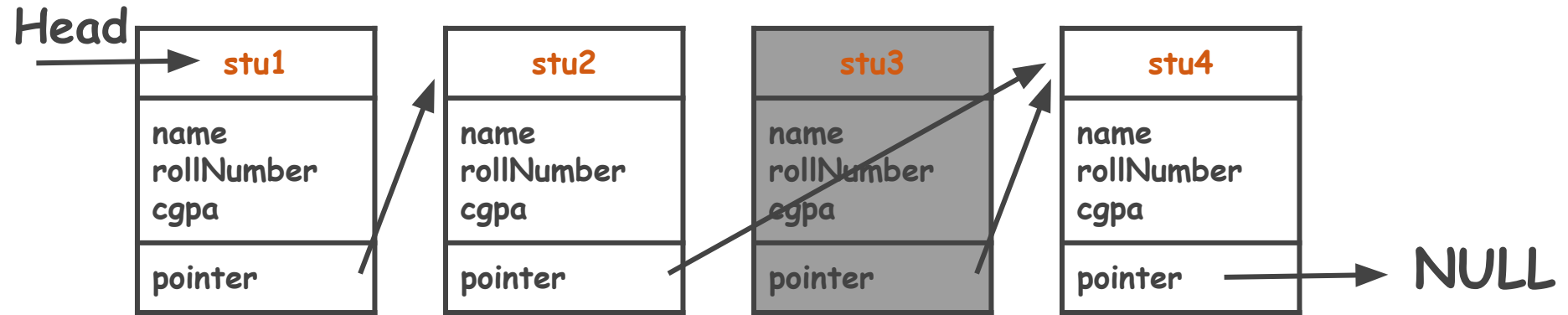
Link List: Delete the Records

- We will just change the pointer of the **stu2** so that it starts pointing towards **stu4**.



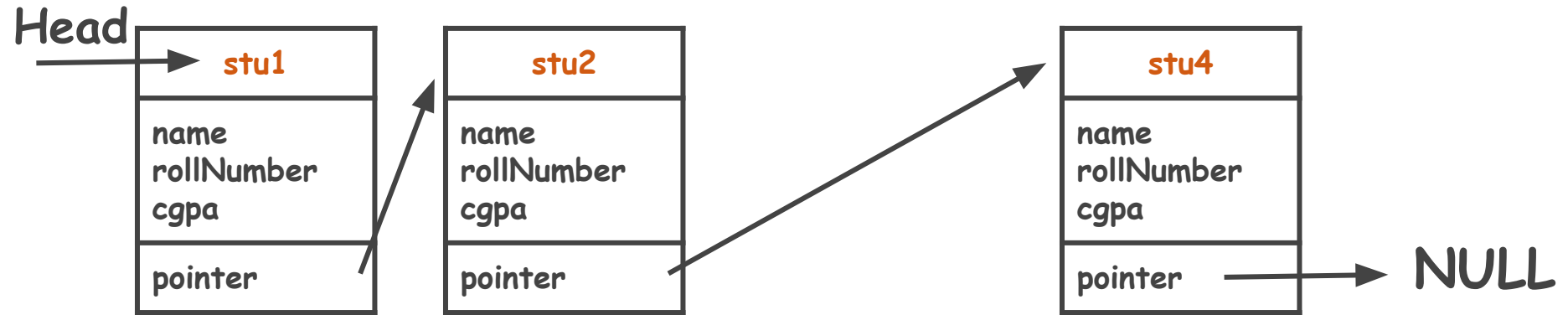
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- There will no pointer left that will point towards stu3 and we will delete **stu3** from the memory using the keyword **delete**.



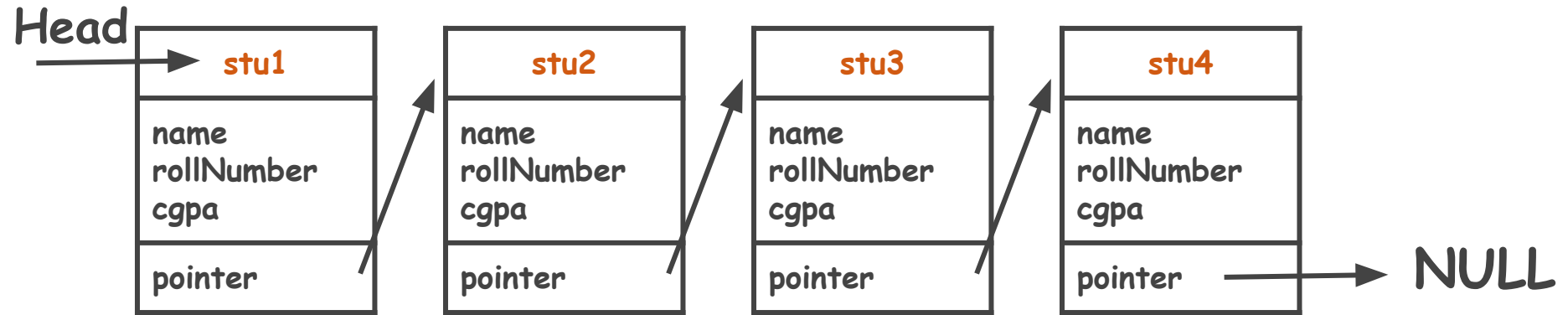
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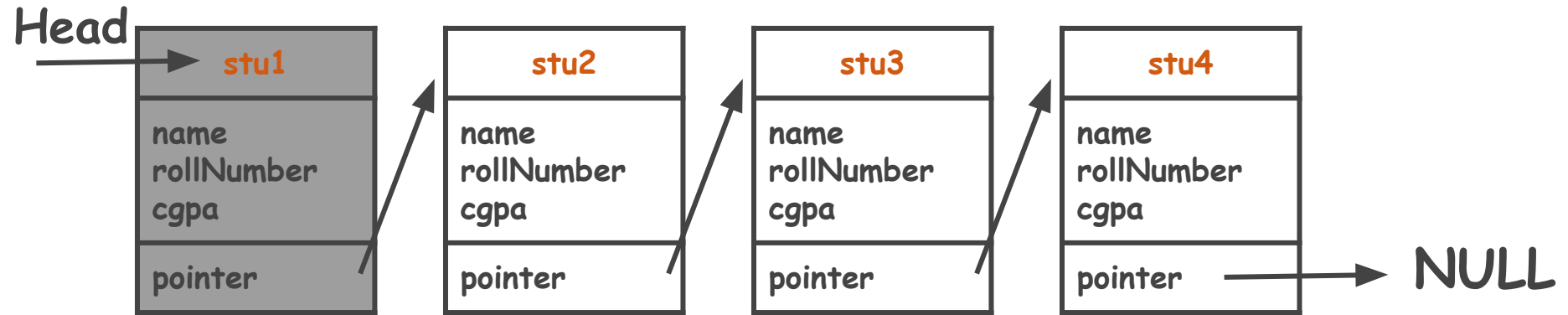
Link List: Delete the 1st Record

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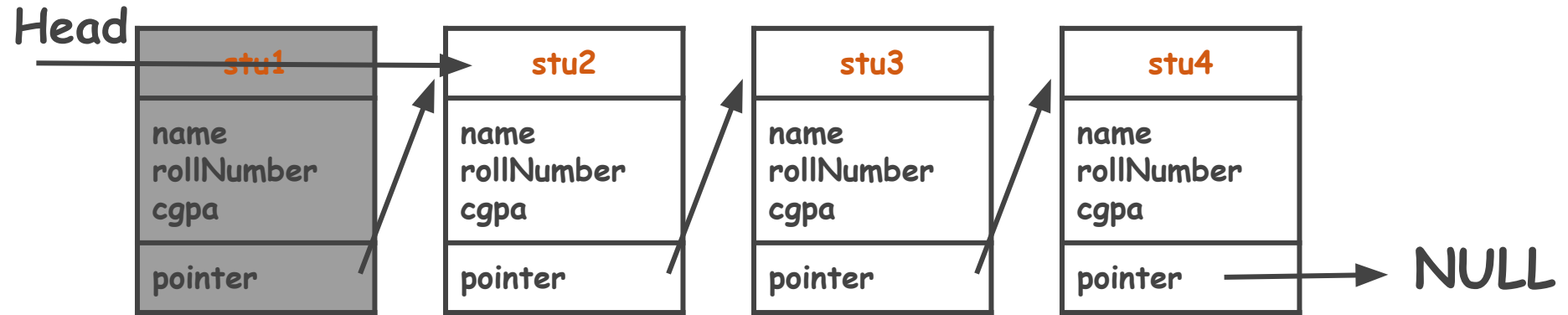
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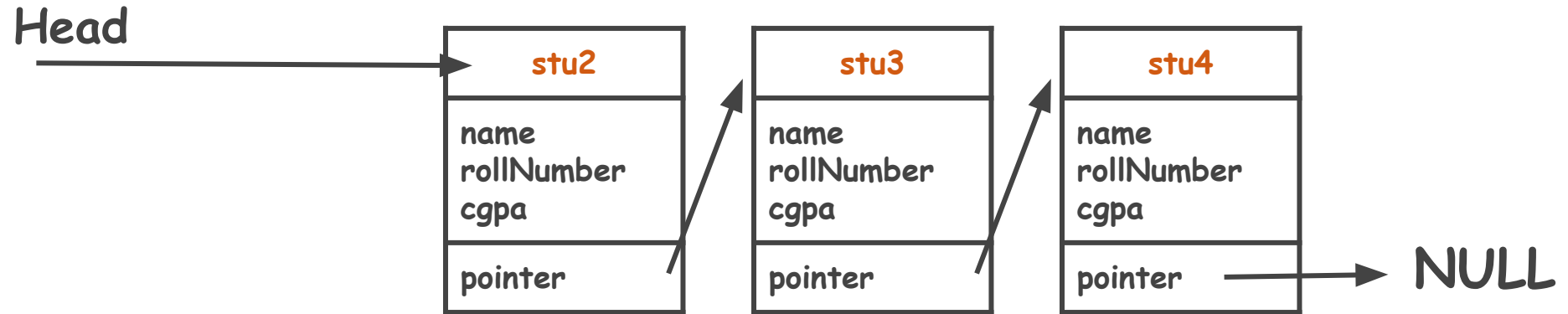
Link List: Delete the 1st Record

- We just change the **head** pointer so that it starts from the next record.



|| Link List: Delete the 1st Record

- Then delete the first record using the **delete** keyword.



Linked List

Let's find a specific name of the student in the link list and then delete that record.


```
void deleteRecord(string n)
{
    student *temp = head;
    student *temp1 = head;
    bool isFound = false;
    int count = 0;
    while (temp != NULL){
        count = count + 1;
        if(temp->name == n){
            isFound = true;
            break;
        }
        temp1 = temp;
        temp = temp->next;
    }
    if(isFound == true && count == 1){
        head = head->next;
        delete temp;
    }
    else if(isFound == true && count > 1){
        temp1->next = temp->next;
        delete temp;
    }
}
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Here, we check if the **current record** has the student name that we want to find.

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Case 1:

If the record is found at the start of the link list

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        count = count + 1;
        if(temp->name == n){
            isFound = true;
            break;
        }
        temp1 = temp;
        temp = temp->next;
    }
    if(isFound == true && count == 1){
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        delete temp;
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        delete temp;
    }
}
```




Linked List

Let's find a specific name of the student in the link list and then delete that record.

Case 2:

If the record is found at any other location of the link list

```
void deleteRecord(string n)
{
    student *temp = head;
    student *temp1 = head;
    bool isFound = false;
    int count = 0;
    while (temp != NULL){
        count = count + 1;
        if(temp->name == n){
            isFound = true;
            break;
        }
        temp1 = temp;
        temp = temp->next;
    }
    if(isFound == true && count == 1){
        head = head->next;
        delete temp;
    }
    else if(isFound == true && count > 1){
        temp1->next = temp->next;
        delete temp;
    }
}
```



Learning Objective

Write a **C++** program to store records using user defined dataTypes (**Struct**) through link list **dynamically**.



Conclusion

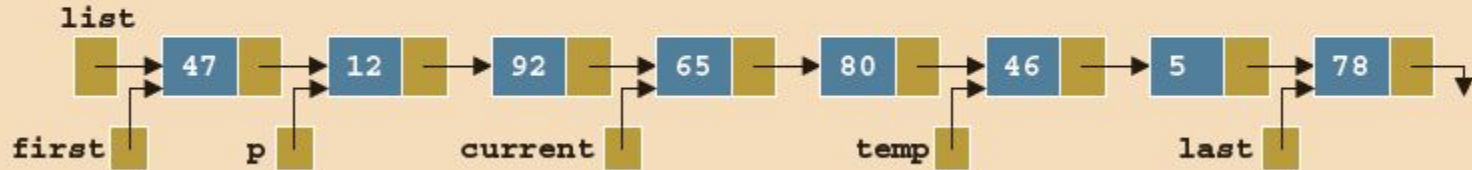
Arrays	Linked lists
Arrays have fixed size	Linked list size is dynamic
Insertion of new element is expensive	Insertion/deletion is easier by just changing the pointer
Random access is allowed using index of the array	Random access not possible as we have to start at the head always
Elements are at contiguous location	Elements have non-contiguous location
No extra space is required for the next pointer	Extra memory space required for next pointer

Self Assessment:

1. Suppose that you have the following definitions:

```
struct nodeType
{
    int info;
    nodeType *link;
};
```

```
nodeType *list, *first, *current, *last, *temp, *trail, *p, *q;
```



Self Assessment:

What will be the **Output** of the following:

- a. `cout << p->info;`
- b. `q = p->link;`
`cout << q->info << " " << current->info;`
- c. `cout << current->link->info;`
- d. `trail = current->link->link;`
`trail->link = nullptr;`
`cout << trail->info;`
- e. `cout << last->link->info;`
- f. `q = current->link; cout << q->link->link->info`

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Self Assessment:

What is the **value** of each of the following **relational expressions**?

- a. `p->link->link == current`
- b. `first->link->link->info == 92`
- c. `temp->link == 0`
- d. `last->link == nullptr`
- e. `list->link == p`
- f. `p->link->link->link->info == temp->info`

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