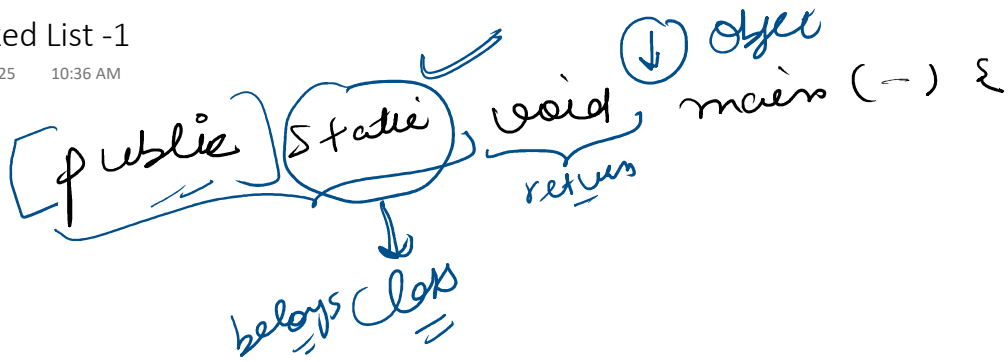


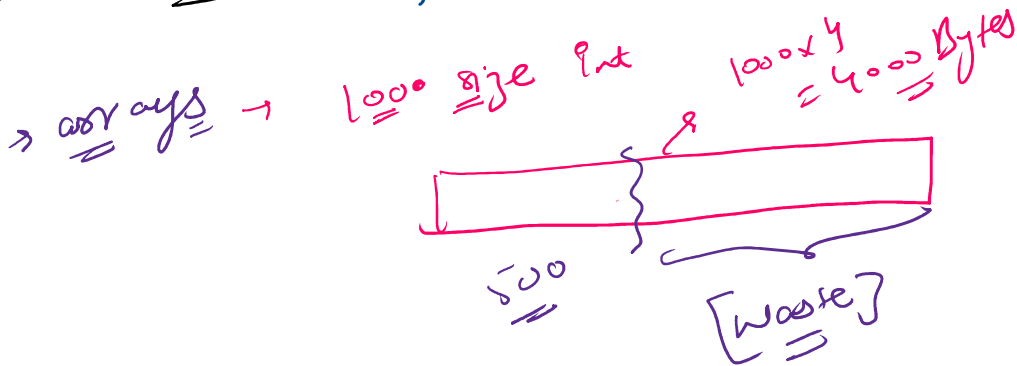
2.10 - Linked List -1

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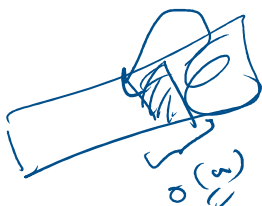
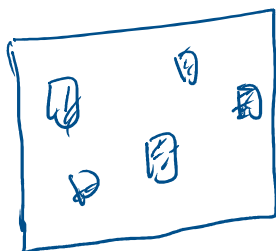
Linked List Data Structure



array list is dynamic & contiguous

$$500 \times 4 = 2000 \text{ Bytes}$$

Linked List
↓
non contiguous
memory locations

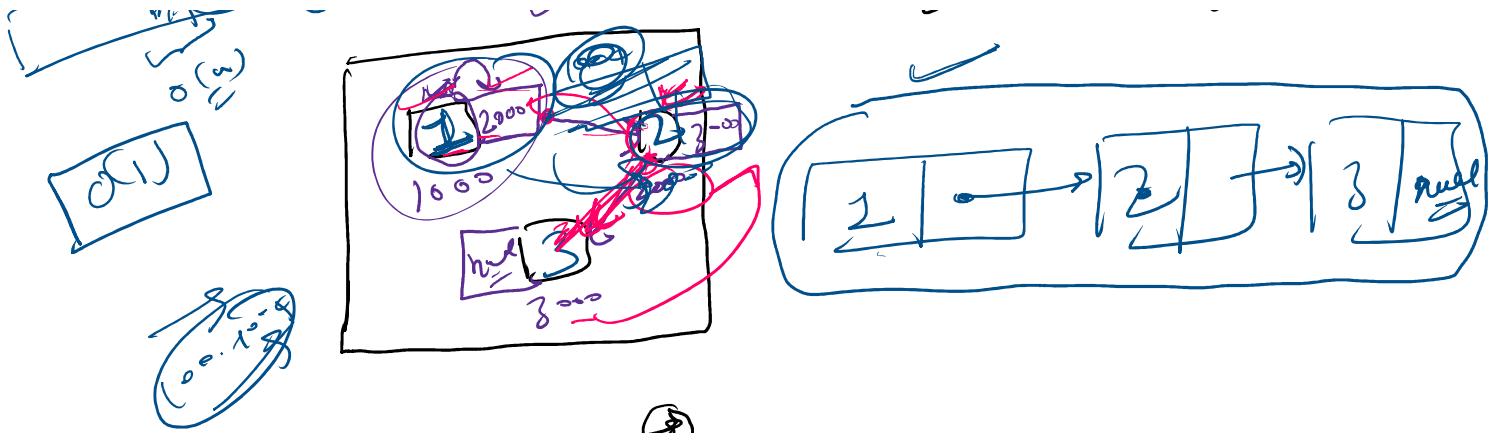


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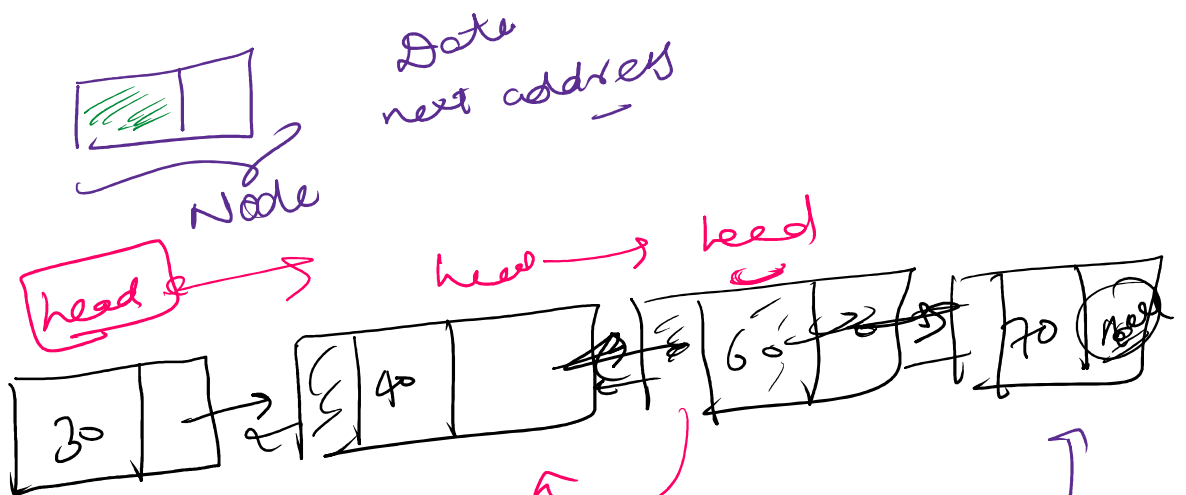


$$3 \times 4 = 12 \text{ bytes}$$



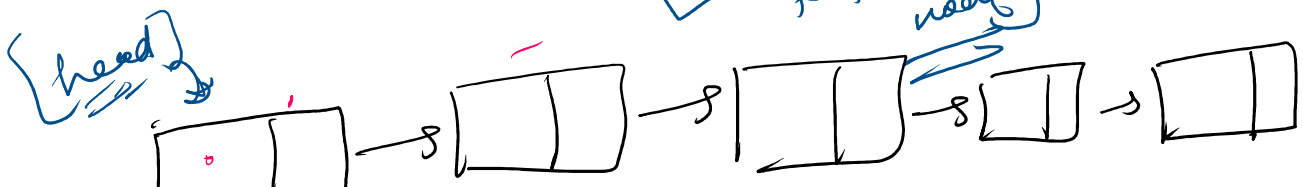
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doubly

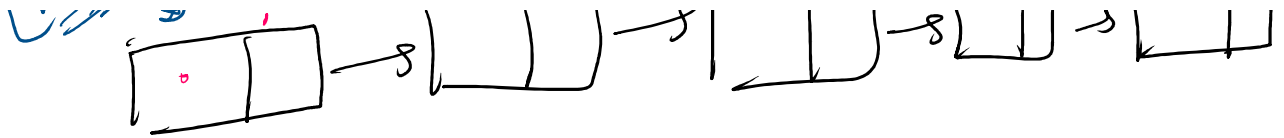
Node → building block of a linked list.



Singly linked list
→ move only in a single direction

Single LL collection of nodes

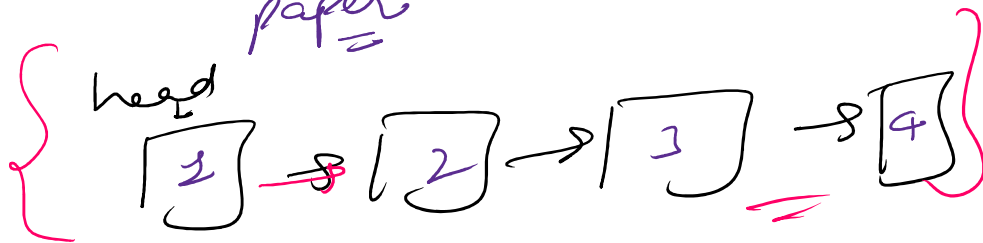




→ linked list is dynamic in size.

→ There is no concept of indexes in LL, because it is not continuous

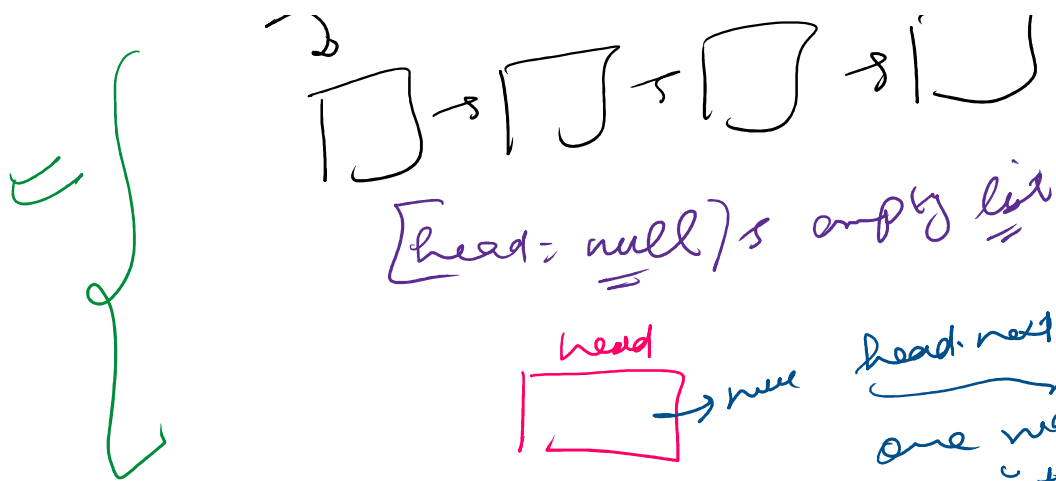
⊙ To solve the problems of LL, always draw a diagram on the paper



→ In LL, always think of two base cases

- 1) empty list
 - 2) only one node in the list
- specifically in case of delete / remove





⊛ While doing operations on a LL, we do not directly move head, instead we make another ref variable pointing to head.

Because we cannot afford to lose head as it is the only way to access our LL.

⊛ Approach for solving LL questions

1) Think of a general approach.

Draw a LL of length 4/5/6 --

2) Think of empty list wala base case

3) Think of single node in the LL

3) Think of single node in



Find of LL

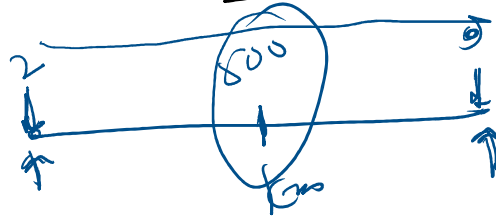
here
(2)



(2x)

⊕ slow and fast pointer approach

1, 2



slow
fast



$\left[\begin{array}{l} \text{slow} = 1 \\ \text{fast} = 3 \end{array} \right]$