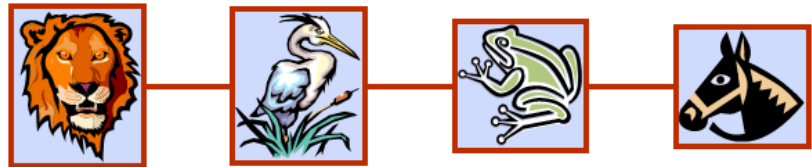


Lecture 3-2. Linked Lists



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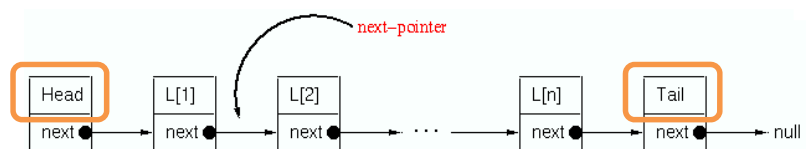
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Keywords

- **Linked List**

- A representative type of list
- Node, Pointer (Link), Head, Tail



- **Singly Linked List**

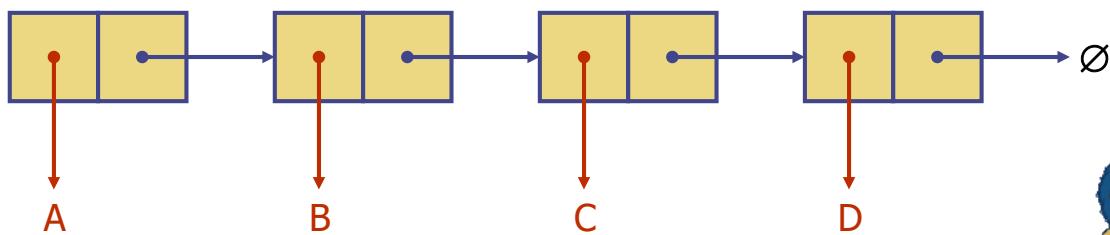
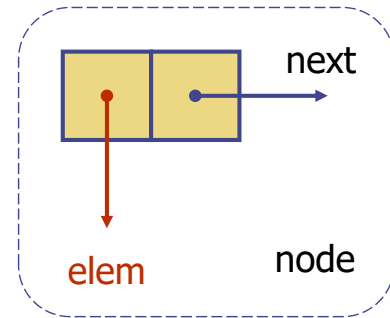
- Linked List with one directional pointer

- **Doubly Linked List**

- Linked List with both directional pointers

Singly Linked List (§3.2)

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



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The Node Class for List Nodes

```
public class Node {
    // Instance variables:
    private Object element;
    private Node next;
    /** Creates a node with null references to its element and next node. */
    public Node() {
        this(null, null);
    }
    /** Creates a node with the given element and next node. */
    public Node(Object e, Node n) {
        element = e;
        next = n;
    }
    // Accessor methods:
    public Object getElement() {
        return element;
    }
    public Node getNext() {
        return next;
    }
    // Modifier methods:
    public void setElement(Object newElem) {
        element = newElem;
    }
    public void setNext(Node newNext) {
        next = newNext;
    }
}
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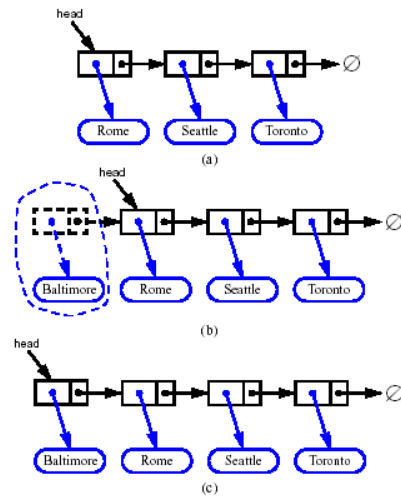
Inserting at the Head

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Inserting at the Tail

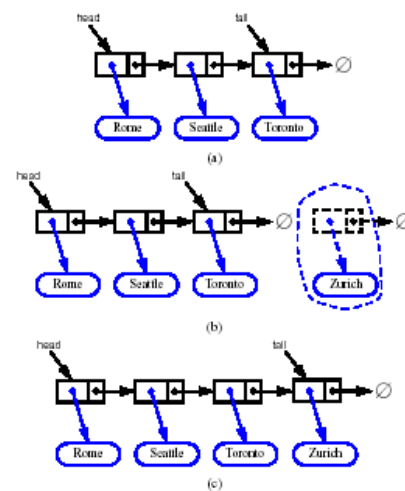
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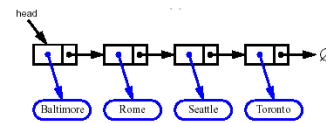
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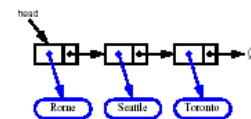
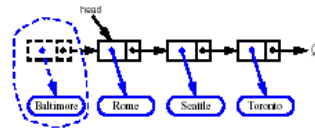
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Removing at the Head

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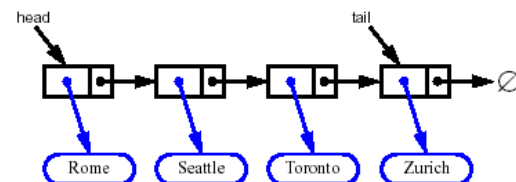


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Removing at the Tail

Removing at the tail of a singly linked list is not efficient!

There is no constant-time way to update the tail to point to the previous node



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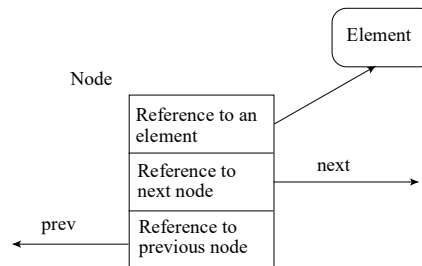
Doubly Linked List (§3.3)

Recall that the deletion of an element at the tail is not easy because we have to find the node before the tail (the last node) by link hopping.

- This problem can be easily solved by using the doubly linked list

A **node** in a doubly linked list

- A compound object that stores a reference to an element and two references, called **next** and **prev**, to the next and previous nodes, respectively.

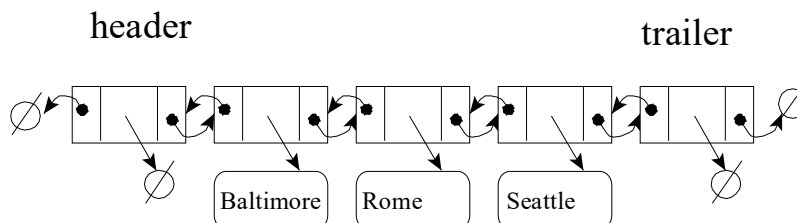


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Doubly Linked List

Header and Trailer Sentinels

- to simplify programming, a doubly linked list has a header and trailer nodes
- they are called sentinel nodes which do not store any elements and just indicate both the ends of a list



Difference from Singly Linked List

- each node contains two links
- two extra nodes: header and trailer, which contain no element



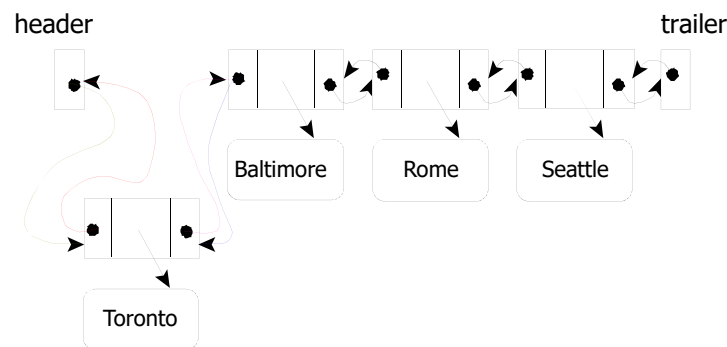
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Insertion in the Middle of a Doubly Linked List

❏ Allowing for insertion and removal in the middle of the list

– insert a new node z after v (w is the next node of v)

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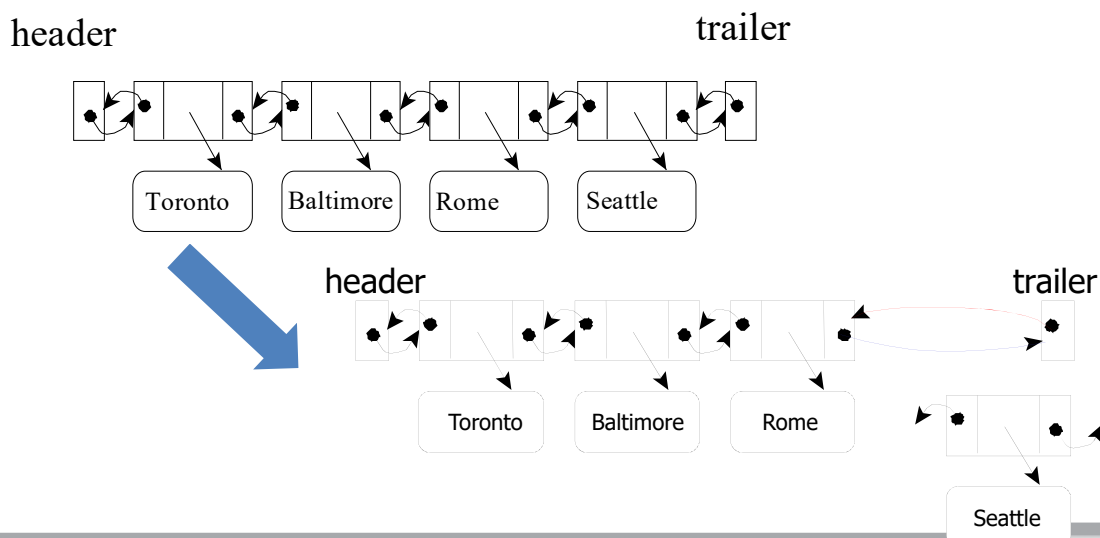
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Removal in the Middle of a Doubly Linked List

❏ Easy to remove a node v in the middle (even in the end) of a doubly linked list

– to remove node v in the list, we simply have nodes, which are **prev** and **next** of node v , point to each other

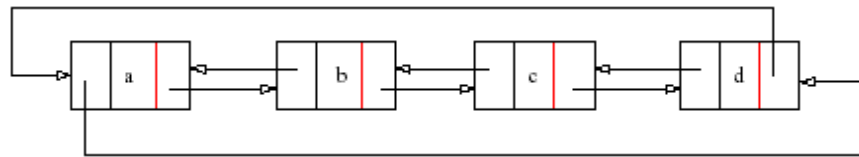


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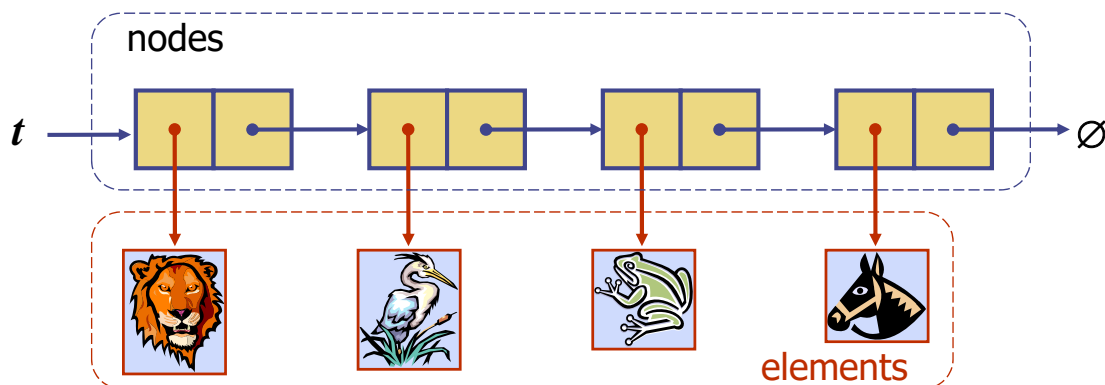
Circularly Linked List (§3.4)

- ❑ No Head (First) or Tail (Last) node
- ❑ Instead of having the last node's next pointer be **null**, it points back to the first node
 - if we traverse the nodes of a circularly linked list from any node by following next pointers, we will cycle through the nodes
- ❑ Cursor
 - marked as a special node which identifies the current position



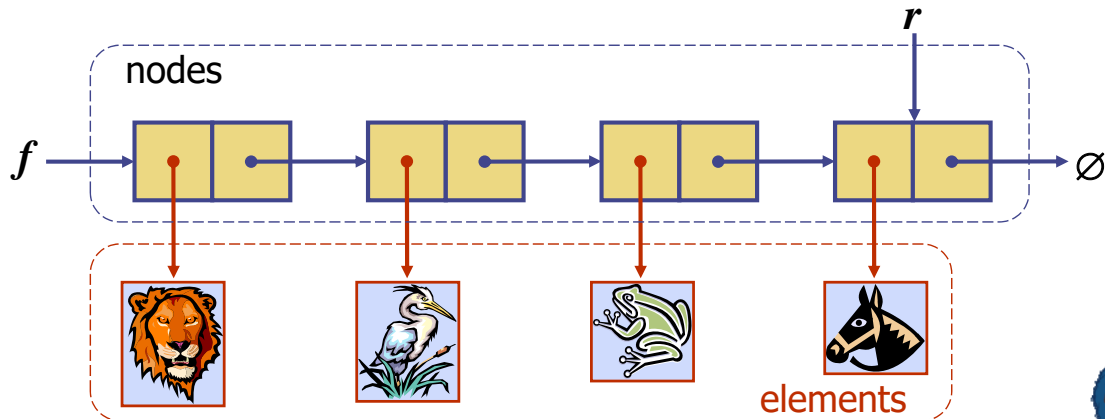
Stack as a Linked List (§ 5.1.3)

- ❑ 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 () and each operation of the Stack ADT takes () time



Queue as a Linked List (§ 5.2.3)

- 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 () and each operation of the Queue ADT takes () time



Q & A

