

Doubly Linked List Program in C

Doubly Linked List is a variation of Linked list in which navigation is possible in both ways, either forward and backward easily as compared to Single Linked List.

Implementation in C

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#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <stdbool.h>

struct node {
    int data;
    int key;

    struct node *next;
    struct node *prev;
};

//this link always point to first Link
struct node *head = NULL;

//this link always point to last Link
struct node *last = NULL;

struct node *current = NULL;

//is list empty
bool isEmpty() {
    return head == NULL;
}

int length() {
    int length = 0;
    struct node *current;

    for(current = head; current != NULL; current = current->next){
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        length++;
    }

    return length;
}

//display the list in from first to last
void displayForward() {

    //start from the beginning
    struct node *ptr = head;

    //navigate till the end of the list
    printf("\n[ ");

    while(ptr != NULL) {
        printf("(%d,%d) ", ptr->key, ptr->data);
        ptr = ptr->next;
    }

    printf(" ]");
}

//display the list from last to first
void displayBackward() {

    //start from the last
    struct node *ptr = last;

    //navigate till the start of the list
    printf("\n[ ");

    while(ptr != NULL) {

        //print data
        printf("(%d,%d) ", ptr->key, ptr->data);

        //move to next item
        ptr = ptr ->prev;
    }

}
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//insert link at the first location
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void insertFirst(int key, int data) {
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```
    //create a link
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    struct node *link = (struct node*) malloc(sizeof(struct node));
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    link->key = key;
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    link->data = data;
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```
    if(isEmpty()) {
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```
        //make it the last link
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        last = link;
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    } else {
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```
        //update first prev link
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        head->prev = link;
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    }
```

```
    //point it to old first link
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```
    link->next = head;
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```
    //point first to new first link
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```
    head = link;
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```
}
```

```
//insert link at the last location
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void insertLast(int key, int data) {
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```
    //create a link
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```
    struct node *link = (struct node*) malloc(sizeof(struct node));
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    link->key = key;
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    link->data = data;
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```
    if(isEmpty()) {
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```
        //make it the last link
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        last = link;
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```
    } else {
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```
        //make link a new last link
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        last->next = link;
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        //mark old last node as prev of new link
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        link->prev = last;
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    }
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```
    //point last to new last node
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    last = link;
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}

//delete first item
struct node* deleteFirst() {

    //save reference to first link
    struct node *tempLink = head;

    //if only one link
    if(head->next == NULL){
        last = NULL;
    } else {
        head->next->prev = NULL;
    }

    head = head->next;
    //return the deleted link
    return tempLink;
}

//delete link at the last location

struct node* deleteLast() {
    //save reference to last link
    struct node *tempLink = last;

    //if only one link
    if(head->next == NULL) {
        head = NULL;
    } else {
        last->prev->next = NULL;
    }

    last = last->prev;

    //return the deleted link
    return tempLink;
}

//delete a link with given key

struct node* delete(int key) {

    //start from the first link
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struct node* current = head;
struct node* previous = NULL;

//if list is empty
if(head == NULL) {
    return NULL;
}

//navigate through list
while(current->key != key) {
    //if it is last node

    if(current->next == NULL) {
        return NULL;
    } else {
        //store reference to current link
        previous = current;

        //move to next link
        current = current->next;
    }
}

//found a match, update the link
if(current == head) {
    //change first to point to next link
    head = head->next;
} else {
    //bypass the current link
    current->prev->next = current->next;
}

if(current == last) {
    //change last to point to prev link
    last = current->prev;
} else {
    current->next->prev = current->prev;
}

return current;
}

bool insertAfter(int key, int newKey, int data) {
    //start from the first link
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```
struct node *current = head;

//if list is empty
if(head == NULL) {
    return false;
}

//navigate through list
while(current->key != key) {

    //if it is last node
    if(current->next == NULL) {
        return false;
    } else {
        //move to next link
        current = current->next;
    }
}

//create a link
struct node *newLink = (struct node*) malloc(sizeof(struct node));
newLink->key = newKey;
newLink->data = data;

if(current == last) {
    newLink->next = NULL;
    last = newLink;
} else {
    newLink->next = current->next;
    current->next->prev = newLink;
}

newLink->prev = current;
current->next = newLink;
return true;
}

void main() {
    insertFirst(1,10);
    insertFirst(2,20);
    insertFirst(3,30);
    insertFirst(4,1);
    insertFirst(5,40);
    insertFirst(6,56);
}
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printf("\nList (First to Last): ");
displayForward();

printf("\n");
printf("\nList (Last to first): ");
displayBackward();

printf("\nList , after deleting first record: ");
deleteFirst();
displayForward();

printf("\nList , after deleting last record: ");
deleteLast();
displayForward();

printf("\nList , insert after key(4) : ");
insertAfter(4,7, 13);
displayForward();

printf("\nList , after delete key(4) : ");
delete(4);
displayForward();
}
```

If we compile and run the above program, it will produce the following result –

Output

```
List (First to Last):
[ (6,56) (5,40) (4,1) (3,30) (2,20) (1,10) ]

List (Last to first):
[ (1,10) (2,20) (3,30) (4,1) (5,40) (6,56) ]
List , after deleting first record:
[ (5,40) (4,1) (3,30) (2,20) (1,10) ]
List , after deleting last record:
[ (5,40) (4,1) (3,30) (2,20) ]
List , insert after key(4) :
[ (5,40) (4,1) (7,13) (3,30) (2,20) ]
List , after delete key(4) :
[ (5,40) (4,13) (3,30) (2,20) ]
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