

COPY LINKED LIST WITH RANDOM

★ In this problem, we are given a linked list where each node is having an extra random pointer which points to a random Node in the list.

Our job is to create a deep copy of this linked list and to return its head.

Bruteforce solution involves the use of a hashmap to remember nodes

C++ :

```
Node* copyRandomPointers(Node* head) {  
    Node* t = head;  
    unordered_map<Node*, Node*> mpp;  
    while (t != nullptr) {  
        Node* n = new Node(t->val);  
        mpp[n] = t;  
        t = t->next;  
    }  
    t = head;  
    while (t != nullptr) {  
        Node* c = mpp[t];  
        c->next = mpp[t->next];  
        c->random = mpp[t->random];  
        t = t->next;  
    }  
    return mpp[head];  
}
```

Time Complexity is $O(2N)$ and Space

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Optimal Solution involves a few steps:

- ① Insert copy nodes in between real nodes
- ② Fix the random pointers for copy nodes
- ③ Remove the OG Nodes from this list.

C++ :

```
Node * copyRandomPointers(Node * head) {  
    Node * temp = head ;  
    while (temp != nullptr) {  
        Node * c = new Node(temp->val) ;  
        c->next = temp->next ;  
        temp->next = c ;  
    }  
    temp = head ;  
    while (temp != nullptr) {  
        Node * c = temp->next ;  
        c->random = temp->random->next ;  
        temp = temp->next->next ;  
    }  
    Node * dN = new Node(-1) ;  
    Node * res = dN ;  
    temp = head ;  
    while (temp != nullptr) {  
        res->next = temp->next ;  
        temp->next = temp->next->next ;  
        res = res->next ;  
        temp = temp->next ;  
    }  
}
```

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} return dN → next ;
```