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BASIC LINKED LIST CONCEPT



ARRAYLIST VS. LINKEDLIST

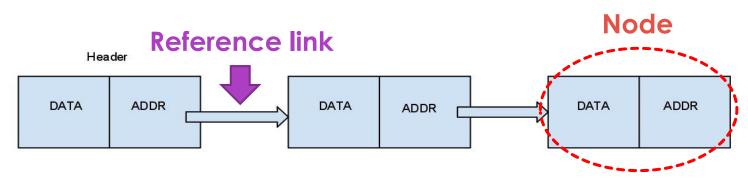
Similarity
between
ArrayList class &
LinkedList class

 Both classes implements <u>List</u> interface Differences between ArrayList class & LinkedList class

- LinkedList class <u>lacks the</u> <u>random access</u> feature of the ArrayList class
- LinkedList class allows constant time insertions & deletions



INTRODUCTION TO LINKEDLIST



Definition:

Linked list is a linear collection of objects (called <u>nodes</u>) connected by the <u>reference links</u>

Concept:

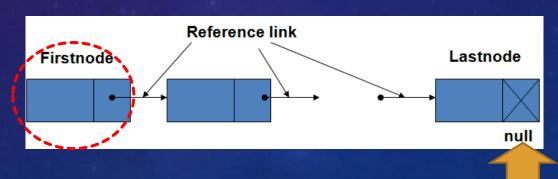
Linked list stores elements anywhere in the memory & these elements are linked by a reference/pointer

INTRODUCTION TO LINKEDLIST



How to access a linked list?

- Program accesses a linked list via a <u>reference to the first node</u> in list
- Programs accesses a subsequent nodes via the <u>reference link</u> <u>stored in the previous node</u>





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Reference in the <u>last node</u> of a list is set to <u>null</u>

ADVANTAGES OF LINKEDLIST



Dynamic data structure

Simple to maintain elements in sorted order

CONCEPT IN VARIATION OF LINKED LIST



TYPES OF LINKEDLIST



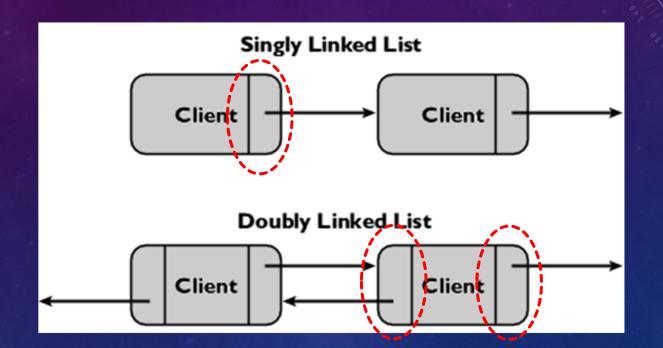
Singly linked list

2 Doubly linked list

3 Circular linked list

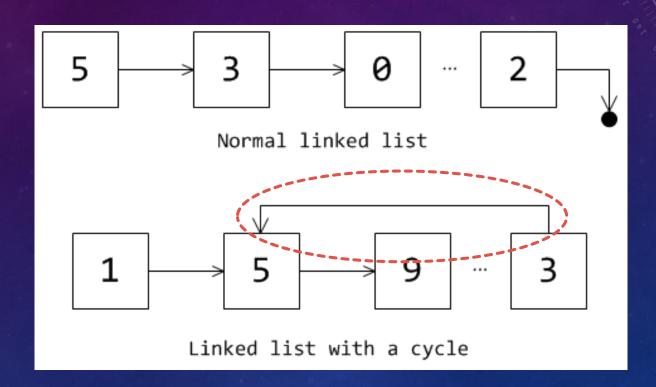
TYPES OF LINKEDLIST





TYPES OF LINKEDLIST





BUILT-IN METHODS FOR CLASS LINKEDLIST



- public LinkedList()
- public LinkedList(Collection c)
- public boolean add(int index, Object element)
- public void addAll(Collection c)
- public boolean addAll(int index, Collection c)
- public boolean addFirst(Object element)
- public boolean addLast(Object element)

- public void clear()
- public boolean contains(Object element)
- public boolean containsAll(Collection c)
- public boolean equals(Object element)
- public Object get(int index)
- public Object getFirst(int index)
- public Object getLast(int index)

BUILT-IN METHODS FOR CLASS LINKEDLIST

- public int indexOf(Object element)
- public boolean isEmpty()
- public int lastIndexOf(Object element)
- public boolean remove (Object element)
- public Object remove(int index)
- public boolean removeAll(Collection c)

- public Object removeFirst()
- public Object removeLast()
- public boolean retainAll(Collection c)
- public Object set(int index, Object element)
- > public int size()
- public String toString()



EXERCISE

QUESTION #1



Choose the advantage of Linked List data structure.

- It is easy to maintain because the size is fixed at runtime
- The size of linked list must be given at compile.
- The portion of each node can be accessed through the index.
- It is a dynamic data structure where the size can be increased or decreased as necessary.





The main difference between a sequential list & a linked list is:

- where data could be inserted into the list
- where data could be removed from the list
- the way data is organized in the list
- all of the above



QUESTION #3

Which of the following is the characteristic of a circular linked list?

The null pointer at the end of the list replaced with a pointer to the beginning of the list.

Its node has 2 links; to the next & previous nodes.

It has an empty header node.

It allows data about circles & links to be stored.



QUESTION #4

When compare to a linked list, which of the following is a DISADVANTAGE of a sequential list?

Inserting a data at the beginning of the list

Displaying a data from the list given its location

Accessing a data in the list given its location

Searching for a data in the list

IMPLEMENTATION AND APPLICATION OF LINKED LIST





IMPLEMENTATION OF LINKEDLIST



Java provides class
LinkedList for
implementing &
manipulating linked list
in Java package
(java.util.*)

LinkedList class in Java uses a <u>doubly linked list</u> implementation

Programmer can also create <u>self-defined</u> <u>linked list</u> class to represent the list node & linked list structure

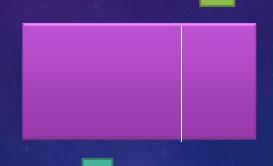
SELF-DEFINED LINKED LIST (NODE)



next

- -Reference link
- -Store reference to next node (Node type)





ListNode object



- data type (primitive or ADT)

CLASS DEFINITION FOR NODE



Class: Node

Fields/data: data, next

Methods: Node (Object obj) //default constructor

```
public class Node
{
    Object data;
    Node next; //the pointer points to the next node

    Node (Object obj) //constructor to initialize the first node
    { data = obj; } //just initialize the data, not the reference link
}
```

SELF-DEFINED CLASS LINKED LIST



Class: LinkedList

Fields/data: first, last, current

Methods: LinkedList () //default constructor

boolean is Empty() //check whether the list is empty

void insertAtFront(object) //insert at the front of the list

void insertAtBack(object) //insert at the end of the list

Object removeFromFront() //delete element from front

Object removeFromBack() //delete element from back

Object getFirst() //get the first node

Object getNext() //get the reference for next node



