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A node in a triply linked list serves one of three purposes:

- DictEnd - the end of the list
- Bridge - a linked list node. A Bridge node represents a key in common between one or several lists, and the lists are maintained as a map from dictionary id to link.

For now, the types of `dict_id_t` and `val_t` have been hardcoded into the system, but later they could be modularized using a functor.

```
type dict_id_t = string
```

The type of the identifier for the dictionary.

```
type val_t = string
```

The type of the value of nodes in the list.

```
module StringMap :
```

```
  Map.Make( sig
```

```
    type t = Key.dict_id_t
```

```
    val compare : 'a -> 'a -> int
```

```
  end )
```

Internal module to maintain owner set.

```
module StringSet :
```

```
  Set.Make( sig
```

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    type t = Key.dict_id_t
```

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  end )
```

Internal module to maintain link map.

```
type t =
```

```
  | DictEnd
```

Indicates the end of the list.

```
  | Bridge of bridge_t
```

Indicates a bridge node between one or several lists.

The basic key type.

```
type link_t = {  
  mutable next : t ;  
    The next key in the list  
  mutable prev : t ;  
    The previous key in the list  
}
```

`link_t` represents a link to keys before and after the current item. It is used in the `Bridge` node inside a map.

```
type bridge_t = {  
  bvalue : val_t ;  
    The value of the Bridge node.  
  owners : StringSet.t ;  
    The set of owners of the value in this node.  
  mutable links : link_t StringMap.t ;  
    The set of dictionaries which this node is linked to.  
}
```

`bridge_t` is the type of a `Bridge` node. A `Bridge` node uses a `StringMap` to keep track of which dictionaries this node is included in.

```
val empty_link : unit -> link_t  
  Creates an empty link.
```

```
val create : val_t -> StringMap.key -> t  
  Creates a simple key containing value for dictionary did.
```

```
val belongs_to : StringSet.elm -> t -> bool  
  Tests whether the input node belongs to dict.
```

```
val add_link : t -> StringMap.key -> unit  
  Adds a link to did in node key.
```

```
exception No_link  
  An exception that is thrown when trying to get the link of a DictEnd node.
```

```
val get_link : StringMap.key -> t -> link_t  
  Returns the link for the node for dictionary dict, raising No_link if the node is a DictEnd.  
  If the node doesn't contain a link for dict, then a link is added to the node and the new link  
  is returned.
```

```
val insert_after : t -> t -> StringMap.key -> t
    Inserts ins immediately after key in dictionary dict, returning the new ins node.

val insert_before : t -> t -> StringMap.key -> t
    Inserts ins immediately before key in dictionary dict, returning the new ins node.

val to_list : t -> StringMap.key -> val_t list
    Converts a triply-linked list into a regular list starting with node key and using the dict link in any Bridge nodes.

val prev_key : t -> StringMap.key -> t
    Returns the key before key in dict.

val next_key : t -> StringMap.key -> t
    Returns the key after key in dict.

val is_bridge : t -> bool
    Returns true if the node is a Bridge.

val value : t -> val_t
    Returns the value of a node, failing on DictEnd.
```