



Day 7

Linkedlist

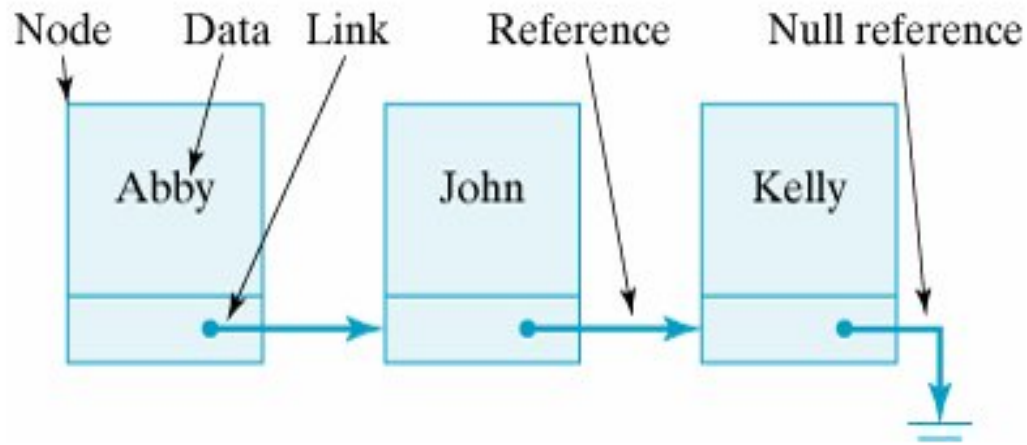
Agenda

- Introduce Linkedlist
- Creating a Linkedlist
- Insert a Linkedlist
- Traverse Linkedlist
- Remove Linkedlist

THE LINKED LIST

- A **linked list** is a list in which a collection of nodes are linked together by references from one node to the next. To make a linked list, we will define a class of self-referential objects. A **self-referential object** is an object that contains a reference to an object of the same class

Figure 16.1. A linked list of Nodes terminated by a null link.



Self-Referential Object : object is one that contains an instance variable that refers to an object of the same



NODE EXAMPLE

```
■ public class Node {  
■     private Object data;  
■     private Node next;  
  
■     public Node(Object obj);          // Constructor  
  
■     public void setData(Object obj); // Data access  
■     public Object getData();  
  
■     public void setNext(Node link); // Link access  
■     public Node getNext();  
■ } // Node class
```



EXAMPLE: THE DYNAMIC PHONE LIST

PhoneListNode
<ul style="list-style-type: none">- name : String- phone : String- next : PhoneListNode
<ul style="list-style-type: none">+ PhoneListNode(in name : String, in phone : String)+ setData(in name : String, in phone : String)+ getName() : String+ getData() : String+ toString() : String+ setNext(in next : PhoneListNode)+ getNext() : PhoneListNode



THE DYNAMIC PHONE LIST

```
public class PhoneListNode {
    private String name;
    private String phone;
    private PhoneListNode next;

    public PhoneListNode(String s1, String s2) {
        name = s1;
        phone = s2;
        next = null;
    } // PhoneListNode()

    public void setData(String s1, String s2) {
        name = s1;
        phone = s2;
    } // setData()

    public String getName() {
        return name;
    } // getName()

    public String getData() {
        return name + " " + phone;
    } // getData()

    public String toString() {
        return name + " " + phone;
    } // toString()

    public void setNext(PhoneListNode nextPtr) {
        next = nextPtr;
    } // setNext()

    public PhoneListNode getNext() {
        return next;
    } // getNext()
} // PhoneListNode class
```

Note that the constructor sets the initial value of next to null, which means that it refers to no object



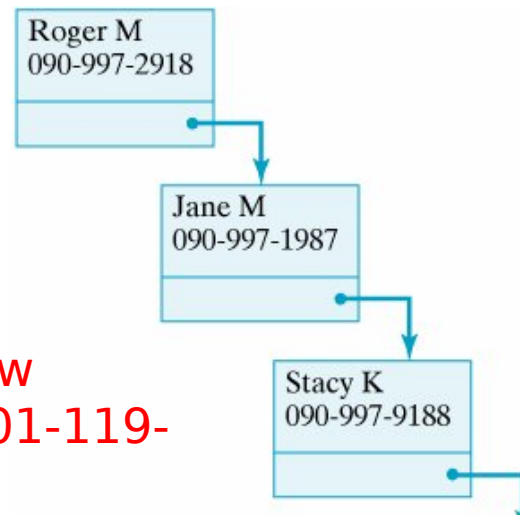
PHONE LIST

```
PhoneListNode node1 = new PhoneListNode("Roger M", "090-997-2918");  
PhoneListNode node2 = new PhoneListNode("Jane M", "090-997-1987");  
PhoneListNode node3 = new PhoneListNode("Stacy K", "090-997-9188");
```

The next two statements chain the nodes together into the list shown in [Figure 16.5](#):

```
node1.setNext(node2);  
node2.setNext(node3);
```

Figure 16.5. The phone list: a linked list of nodes, each of which contains a person's name and phone number.

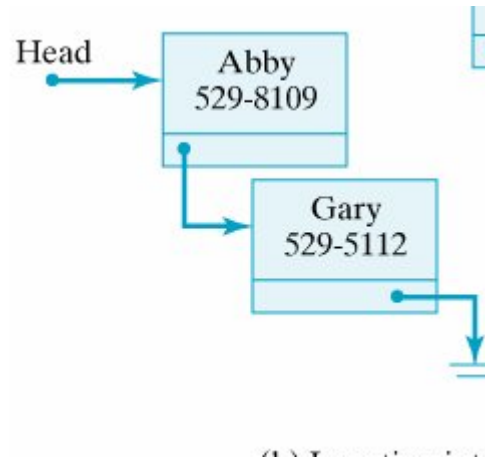


```
PhoneListNode node4 = new  
PhoneListNode("gary g", "201-119-  
8765");  
node3.setNext(node4);
```



MANIPULATING THE PHONE LIST

- This class will include the **insert, access, and remove methods**. It must also contain a reference to the list itself.
- Head



THE PHONE LIST INTERFACE

- We will implement these feature below for phone list

PhoneList
– head : PhoneListNode
+ PhoneList() + isEmpty() : boolean + insert(in node : PhoneListNode) + getPhone(in name : String) : String + remove(in name : String)



IMPLEMENTATION PHONELIST

```
public class PhoneList {  
    private PhoneListNode head;  
  
    public PhoneList() {  
        head = null;  
    }  
    public boolean isEmpty() {  
        return head == null;  
    }  
    public void insert(PhoneListNode node) { }  
    public String getPhone(String name) { }  
    public String remove(String name) { }  
    public void print() { }  
} // PhoneList class
```

when a new PhoneList instance is constructed, head is initialized to null, meaning that the list is initially empty when a new PhoneList instance is constructed, head is initialized to null, meaning that the list is initially empty

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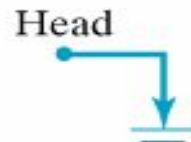
INSERTING NODES INTO A LIST

- The node could be inserted at the **beginning or end of the list**, or in **alphabetical** order, or possibly in other ways
- There are two cases we need to worry about for this algorithm
 - if the list is empty, we can insert the node by simply setting head to point to the node
 - if the list is not empty, we must move through, or traverse, the links of the list until we find the last node and insert the new node



INSERTING NODES INTO A LIST

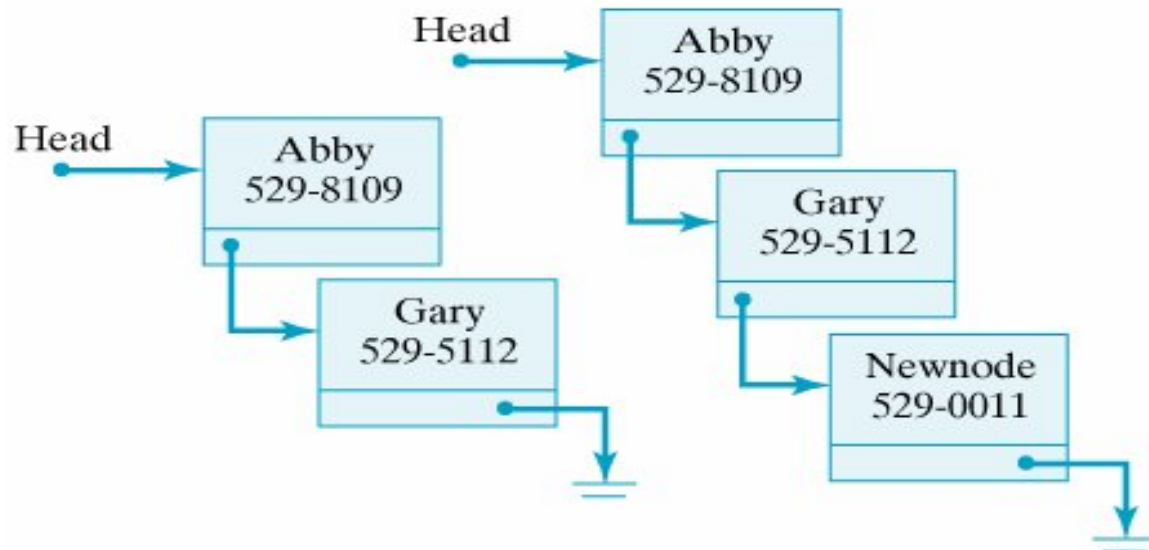
Before insertion



After insertion



(a) Insertion into empty list



(b) Insertion into existing list

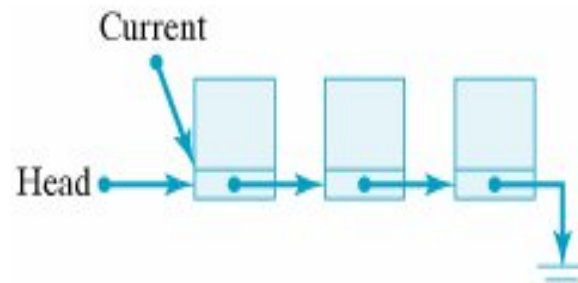


ALGORITHMS

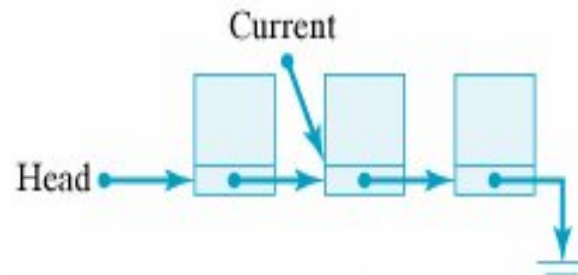
```
■ public void insert(PhoneListNode newNode) {  
■   if (isEmpty())  
■     head = newNode;           // Insert at head of list  
■   else {  
■     PhoneListNode current = head;      // Start traversal at head  
■     while (current.getNext() != null)  // While not last node  
■       current = current.getNext();    // go to next node  
■       current.setNext( newNode );     // Do the insertion  
■   }  
■ } // insert()
```



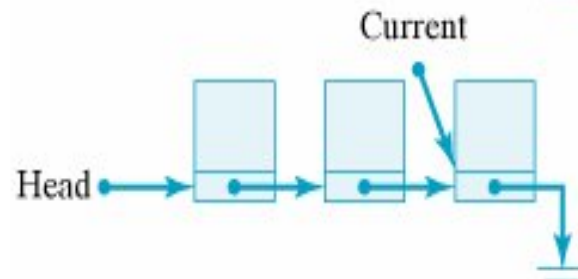
Figure 16.9. The temporary variable `current` traverses the list to find its end.



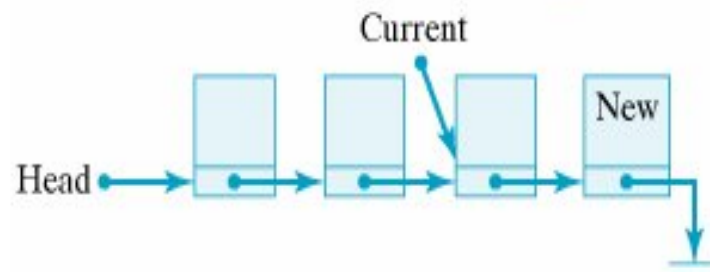
(a) Start at the head of the list



(b) Traverse by following the links



(c) Find the end of the list



(d) Insert the new node



PRINTING THE NODES OF A LIST

```
public void print() {  
    if (isEmpty())  
        System.out.println("Phone list is empty");  
    PhoneListNode current = head;           // Start traversal at head  
    while (current != null) {               // While not end of list  
        System.out.println( current.toString() ); // print data  
        current = current.getNext();         // go to next node  
    }  
} // print()
```



LOOKING UP A NODE IN A LIST

- we start at the head of the list and traverse through the next links until we find the node containing the desired phone number. This method takes the name of the person as a parameter

```
public String getPhone(String name) {  
    if (isEmpty())                                // Case 1: Empty list  
        return "Phone list is empty";  
    else {  
        PhoneListNode current = head;  
        while ((current.getNext() != null) && (!current.getName().equals(name)))  
            current = current.getNext();  
        if (current.getName().equals(name))  
            return current.getData();                // Case 2: Found name  
        else                                        // Case 3: No such person  
            return ("Sorry.  No entry for " + name);  
    }  
} // getPhone()
```



REMOVE NODE

- If the list is empty, we just return an error message
- We use current as the traversal variable
- If the named node is the first node, we simply need to set head to `current.getNext()`, which has the effect of making head point to the second node in the list -> Once the node is cut out from the chain of links, there will be no further **reference** to it. In this case, Java will recapture the memory it uses when it does **garbage collection**

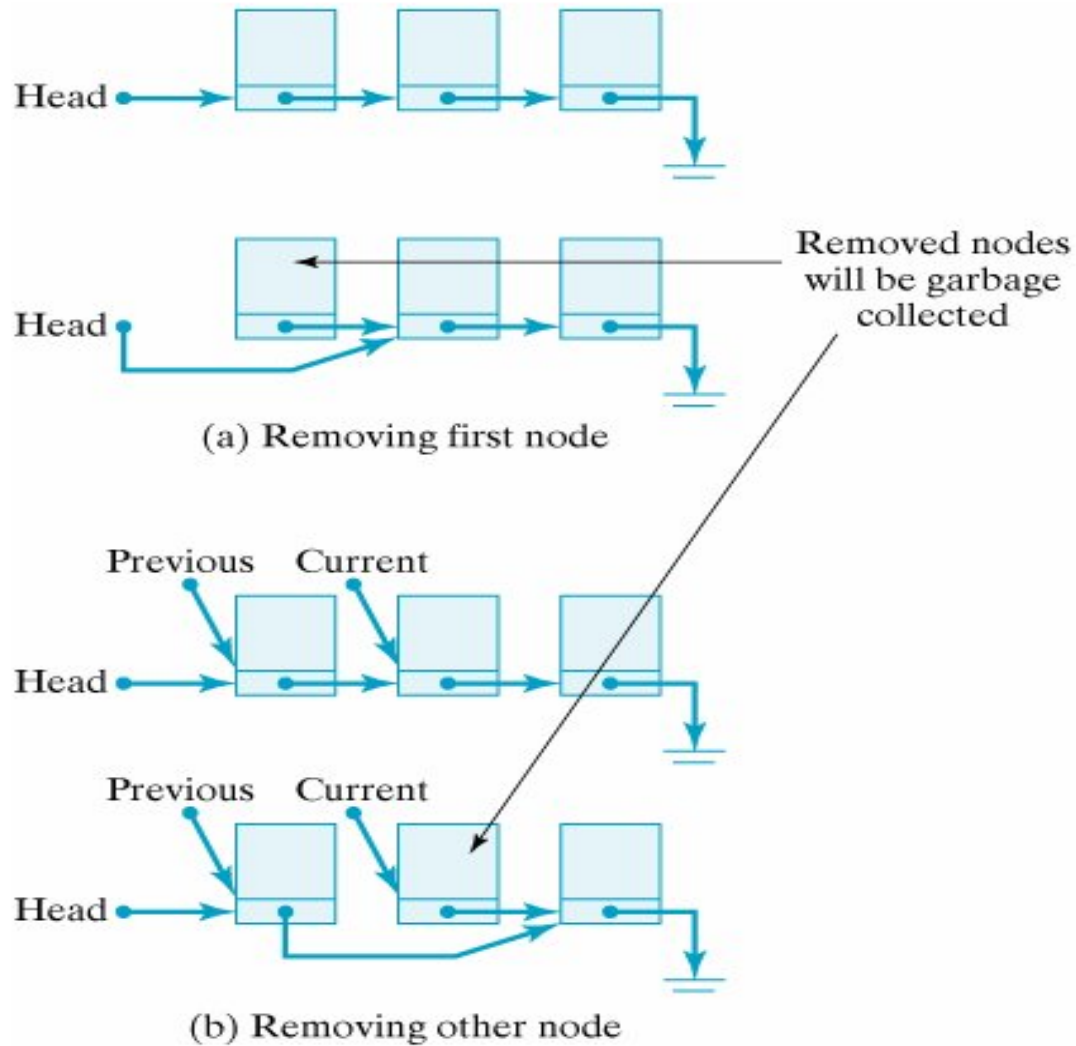


REMOVE NODE

```
public String remove(String name) {                                // Remove an entry by name
    if (isEmpty())                                                // Case 1: empty list
        return "Phone list is empty";
    PhoneListNode current = head;
    PhoneListNode previous = null;
    if (current.getName().equals(name)) {                          // Case 2: remove first node
        head = current.getNext();
        return "Removed " + current.toString() ;
    }
    while ((current.getNext() != null) && (!current.getName().equals(name))) {
        previous = current;
        current = current.getNext();
    }
    if (current.getName().equals(name)) {                          // Case 3: remove named node
        previous.setNext(current.getNext());
        return "Removed " + current.toString();
    } else
        return ("Sorry. No entry for " + name);                  // Case 4: node not found
} // remove()
```



Figure 16.11. Removing different nodes from a linked list.



EXCISE

Write a statement to create a new Node whose data element consists of the Student named "William". Assume that the Student class has a constructor with a String parameter for the student's name



Thanks!



Any questions?