

# **LAB 2: Node & LinkedList**

## **[CO3]**

### **Instructions for students:**

- You may use Java / Python to complete the tasks.
- If you are using **JAVA**, then follow the Java template.
- If you are using **PYTHON**, then follow the Python template.

### **NOTE:**

- **YOU CANNOT USE ANY OTHER DATA STRUCTURE OTHER THAN THE LINKED LIST YOU'RE CREATING.**
- **IF THE QUESTION ALLOWS YOU TO CREATE OTHER DATA STRUCTURES THEN YOU CAN.**
- **YOUR CODE SHOULD WORK FOR ANY VALID INPUTS.**

**The Lab Tasks should be completed during the lab class**  
**YOU HAVE TO SUBMIT ONLY THE ASSIGNMENT TASK**

**Total Lab 2 Assignment Tasks: 4**

**Total Marks: 20**

# Intro Lab Task

## Basics of Node

**This is an intro task & there isn't any driver code for this**

- ❖ For java, create a separate folder for this task and follow the instructions.
- ❖ For Python, create a separate colab/ipynb/py file and follow the instructions.

→ Design a Node class.

- ◆ Declare two instance variables, one called **elem** (Object data type for java) and another one called **next** (Node datatype).
- ◆ Write a **constructor** that has only one parameter (Object data type for java) and assigns the parameter value to the **elem** instance variable.

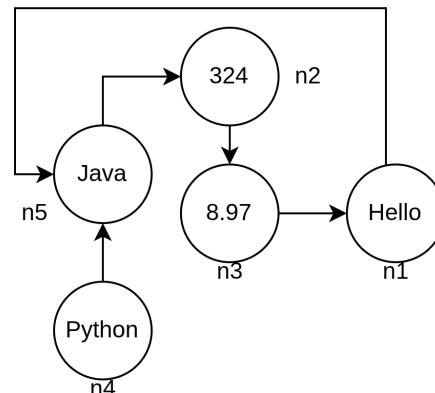
→ Design a Tester class (for java) / Design another code cell (for python)

- ◆ Create 5 different objects of Node class. Assign values as shown in the illustration.
- ◆ Variable names should be: **n1, n2, n3, n4, n5**.
- ◆ Connect the 5 nodes as shown in the illustration.

Now, execute the lines given below and try to understand the output. You may need pen & paper.

If there are errors, try to figure out why that error occurred and how to fix it.

Note: Java & Python output won't always be the same.



JAVA	PYTHON
<code>System.out.println( n1.next );</code>	<code>print( n1.next )</code>
<code>System.out.println( n3.next.elem );</code>	<code>print( n3.next.elem )</code>
<code>Node x = n4.next; System.out.println( n1.elem + x.elem );</code>	<code>x = n3.next print( x.elem + n4.elem )</code>
<code>x.next = n3; System.out.println(n2.next.next + n5.next);</code>	<code>x.next = n2 print(n.next.next + n.next)</code>
<code>x.next.next = null; n3.next.elem = 321;</code>	<code>x.next.next = None n2.next.elem = 7.98</code>
<code>n4.next = 532; System.out.println(n4.next.elem);</code>	<code>n4.next = 532 print(n4.next.elem)</code>

**Now we can move on to actual problem solving using nodes/linkedlist.  
Please use the [Java Template](#) or [Python Template](#)**

## **Main Lab Tasks [No Need to Submit]**

### **1. Assemble Conga Line**

Have you ever heard the term [conga line](#)? Basically, it's a carnival dance where the dancers form a long line. Everyone holds the waist of the person in front of them



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and their waists are held in turn by the person to their rear, excepting only those in the front and the back. It kind of looks like [this](#)-

By now, you can quite understand the suitable data structure to represent a conga line. Now you are the choreographer of the Conga Dance in a Summer Festival. You wish to **arrange the conga line ascending age wise** and tell the participants to stand in a line likewise. Now as technical you are, can you write a method that will take the conga line and return True if everyone stands according to your instruction. Otherwise returns False.

Sample Input	Sample Returned Result
<code>10 → 15 → 34 → 41 → 56 → 72</code>	<code>True</code>
<code>10 → 15 → 44 → 41 → 56 → 72</code>	<code>False</code>

## 2. Word Decoder

Suppose, you have been hired as an cyber security expert in an organization. A mysterious code letter has been discovered by your team, your task is to decode the letter. After lots of research you found a pattern to solve the problem. Problem details are given below:

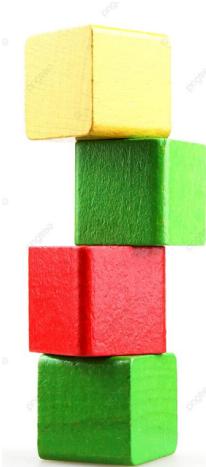
- For each encoded word a linked list will be given, where each node will carry one letter as an element.
- For the decoded word, the letters are at the multiples of  $(13 \% \text{ length of linkedlist})$  position **[0 indexed]**. For example, if the length of the given linked list is 10, then  $13 \% 10 = 3$  and the letters are at positions which are multiples of 3 (i.e. at position 3, 6, 9)
- However, the letters are stored in the given linked list in opposite order. Thus the decoded word has to be reversed.
- **After decoding,** your program should **return a dummy headed singly linked list containing the decoded word.**

Sample Input	Sample Output
B→M→D→T→N→O→A→P→S→C 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9	None → C→A→T  <b>Explanation:</b> Length of the list= 10 & $13 \% 10 = 3$ The letters are T, A, C at 3, 6, 9 positions respectively <b>[0 indexed]</b> . The letters are reversed and the resulting linked list is None → C→A→T
Z→O→T→N→X	None → N  <b>Explanation:</b> Length of the list= 5 & $13 \% 5 = 3$ . The letter is N at position 3 <b>[0 indexed]</b> . The letters are reversed and the resulting linked list is None → N

# Assignment Tasks [Need to Submit]

## 1. Building Blocks

Your twin and you are under an experiment where the amount of thinking similarities you two have is being observed. As per the experiment, you are given a certain number of building blocks of different colors and are told to make a building using those blocks in two different rooms.



After the buildings are finished, the observers check whether the two buildings are the same based on the block colors. Now, you are the tech guy of that team and you are instructed to write a program that will output "Similar" or "Not Similar" given the two buildings. For fun, you decided to represent those buildings as a linked list!

**NB:** Red means a red block

Blue means a blue block

Yellow means a yellow block

Green means a green block.

Sample Input	Sample Output
<pre>building_1 = Red→ Green→ Yellow→ Red→ Blue→ Green building_2 = Red→ Green→ Yellow→ Red→ Blue→ Green</pre>	Similar
<pre>building_1 = Red→ Green→ Yellow→ Red→ Yellow→ Green building_2 = Red→ Green→ Yellow→ Red→ Blue→ Green</pre>	Not Similar
<pre>building_1 = Red→ Green→ Yellow→ Red→ Blue→ Green building_2 = Red→ Green→ Yellow→ Red→ Blue→ Green→ Blue</pre>	Not Similar

## 2. Sum of Nodes

You are given a Linked List, LL1, and an array, dist. Write a method **sum\_dist(list, arr)** that takes a Linked List and an array as parameters. This method sums the node elements in the linked list that are away from the head by the elements in the array and returns the sum. **Assume the Node class has only elem and next variable. No need to write Node class and driver code.**

Sample Input	Sample Output	Explanation
LL1 = 10--> 16 --> -5 --> 9 --> 3 --> 4 dist = [2, 0, 5, 2, 8]  Function Call: print(sum_dist(LL1, dist))	4	Node Element away from the head at distance 2 = -5 Node Element away from the head at distance 0 = 10 Node Element away from the head at distance 5 = 4 Node Element away from the head at distance 8 = Doesn't Exist, Considered as 0 The sum is: $-5+10+4+-5+0 = 4$

### 3. Alternate Merge

You are given two singly non-dummy headed linked lists. Your task is to write a function `alternate_merge(head1, head2)` that takes the heads of the two linked lists and returns the head of a modified linked list with all the elements of the two lists in alternate order. It is guaranteed that alternate placement is always possible. Your resulting linked list will always start with the head of linked list 1.

Input	Output
List1: 1 → 2 → 6 → 8 → 11 → None List2: 5 → 7 → 3 → 9 → 4 → None	1 → 5 → 2 → 7 → 6 → 3 → 8 → 9 → 11 → 4 → None
List1: 5 → 3 → 2 → -4 → None List2: -4 → -6 → 1 → None	5 → -4 → 3 → -6 → 2 → 1 → -4 → None
List1: 4 → 2 → -2 → -4 → None List2: 8 → 6 → 5 → -3 → None	4 → 8 → 2 → 6 → -2 → 5 → -4 → -3 → None

NOTE: The space complexity of the solution must be  $O(1)$ . Which means,  
You're NOT ALLOWED to create any new linked list for this task.

## 4. ID Generator

Write a function **idGenerator()** that will take three non-dummy headed linear singly linked lists containing only digits from 0-9 and **generate another singly linked list** with 8 digit student ID from it [The student ID contains only digits from 0 to 9].

The first linked list will have the first four digits of the student id in reverse order. The remaining four digits can be obtained by adding the elements of the second linked list **from the beginning** with the elements of the third linked list **from the beginning**.

If the summation is  $\geq 10$ , then you have to mod the summation by 10 and insert the result in the output linked list. For example, in sample input 2, the last element of the second list is 7 and the last element of the third linked list is 8. So after adding them we get  $7+8=15>10$ . So the digit we will insert as an element of the Student ID list, will be  $15\%10=5$ .

<b>Sample Input 1:</b> 0 → 3 → 2 → 2 5 → 2 → 2 → 1 4 → 3 → 2 → 1	<b>Sample Input 2:</b> 0 → 3 → 9 → 1 3 → 6 → 5 → 7 2 → 4 → 3 → 8
<b>Sample output 1:</b> 2 → 2 → 3 → 0 → 9 → 5 → 4 → 2	<b>Sample output 2:</b> 1 → 9 → 3 → 0 → 5 → 0 → 8 → 5

You Will Have To Submit Lab 2 and Lab 3 as a single file after next week.  
Basically, There will be only 1 combined submission for Lab 2 & Lab 3.