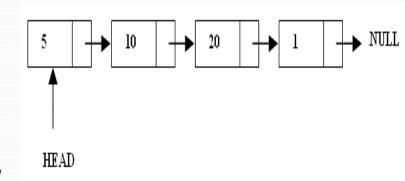
What are Linked Lists

- A linked list is a linear data structure.
- Nodes make up linked lists.
- Nodes are structures made up of data and a pointer to another node.
- Usually the pointer is called next.



Arrays Vs Linked Lists

| Arrays | Linked list |
|---|---|
| Fixed size: Resizing is expensive | Dynamic size |
| Insertions and Deletions are inefficient: Elements are usually shifted | Insertions and Deletions are efficient: No shifting |
| Random access i.e., efficient indexing | No random access → Not suitable for operations requiring accessing elements by index such as sorting |
| No memory waste if the array is full or almost full; otherwise may result in much memory waste. | Since memory is allocated dynamically(acc. to our need) there is no waste of memory. |
| Sequential access is faster [Reason: Elements in contiguous memory locations] | Sequential access is slow [Reason: Elements not in contiguous memory locations] |

Types of lists

There are two basic types of linked list

Singly Linked list

Doubly linked list

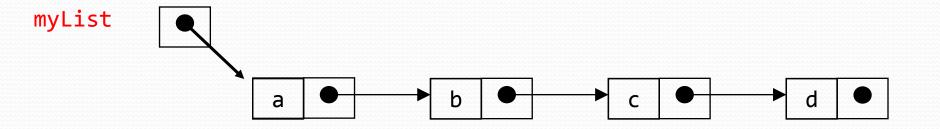
Singly Linked List

- Each node has only one link part
- Each link part contains the address of the next node in the list

• Link part of the last node contains NULL value which signifies the end of the node

Schematic representation

Here is a singly-linked list (SLL):



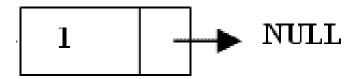
- Each node contains a value(data) and a pointer to the next node in the list
- myList is the header pointer which points at the first node in the list

Basic Operations on a list

- Creating a List
- Inserting an element in a list
- Deleting an element from a list
- Searching a list
- Reversing a list

Creating a node

```
node* create( int num) //say num=1 is passed from main
  node*ptr;
  ptr= new node; //memory allocated dynamically
      if(ptr==NULL)
       'OVERFLOW' // no memory available
        exit(1);
      else
        ptr->data=num;
        ptr->next=NULL;
        return ptr;
```



To be called from main() as:-

```
void main()
{
    node* ptr;
    int data;
    cin>>data;
    ptr=create(data);
}
```

Inserting the node in a SLL

There are 3 cases here:-

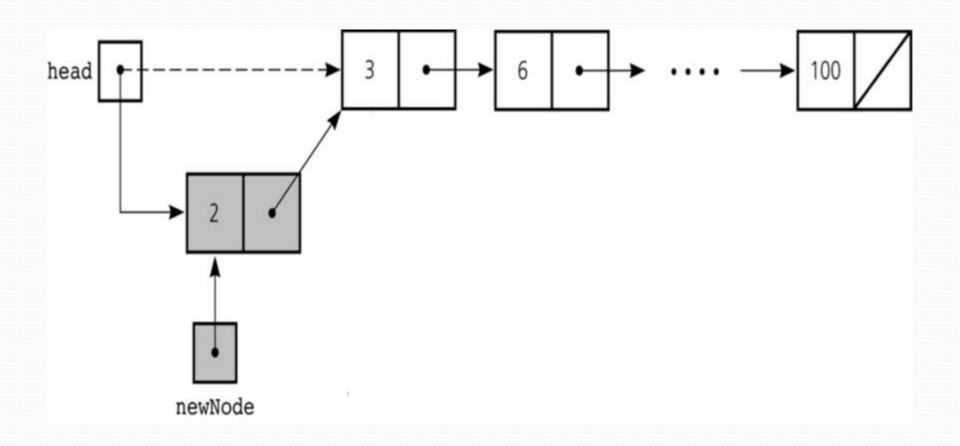
- ► Insertion at the beginning
- ► Insertion at the end
- ► Insertion after a particular node

Insertion at the beginning

There are two steps to be followed:-

a) Make the next pointer of the node point towards the first node of the list

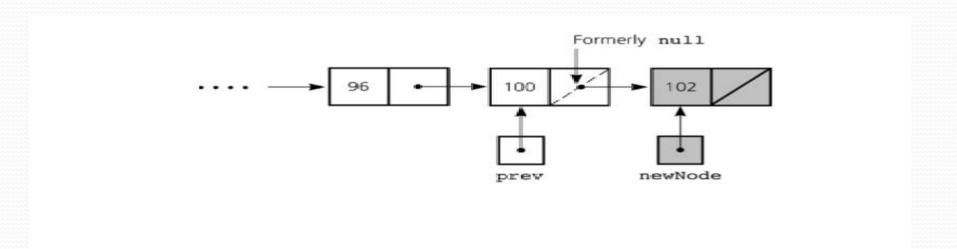
- b) Make the start pointer point towards this new node
- If the list is empty simply make the start pointer point towards the new node;



```
void insert_beg(node* p)
node* temp;
        if(start==NULL) //if the list is empty
          start=p;
          cout<<"\nNode inserted successfully at the
                   beginning";
       else {
             temp=start;
             start=p;
             p->next=temp; //making new node point at
                               the first node of the list
```

Inserting at the end

Here we simply need to make the next pointer of the last node point to the new node



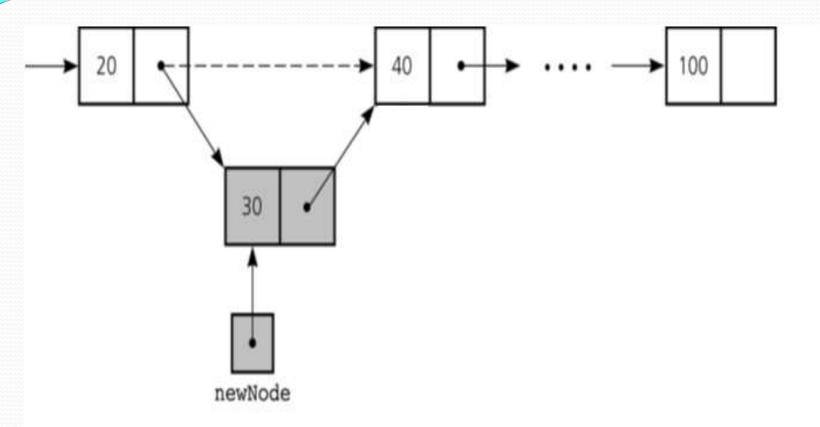
```
void insert_end(node* p)
node *q=start;
        if(start==NULL)
         start=p;
         cout<<"\nNode inserted successfully at the end...!!!\n";</pre>
      else{
                while(q->link!=NULL)
                  q=q->link;
           q->next=p;
```

Inserting after an element

Here we again need to do 2 steps:-

 Make the next pointer of the node to be inserted point to the next node of the node after which you want to insert the node

 Make the next pointer of the node after which the node is to be inserted, point to the node to be inserted



```
void insert_after(int c,node* p)
node* q;
q=start;
    for(int i=1;i<c;i++)
      q=q->link;
           if(q==NULL)
           cout<<"Less than "<<c<" nodes in the list...!!!";
p->link=q->link;
q->link=p;
cout<<"\nNode inserted successfully";</pre>
```

Deleting a node in SLL

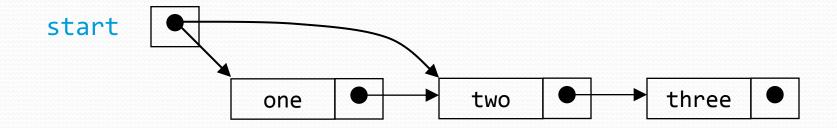
Here also we have three cases:-

- Deleting the first node
- ➤ Deleting the last node
- ➤ Deleting the intermediate node

Deleting the first node

Here we apply 2 steps:-

- Making the start pointer point towards the 2nd node
- Deleting the first node using delete keyword



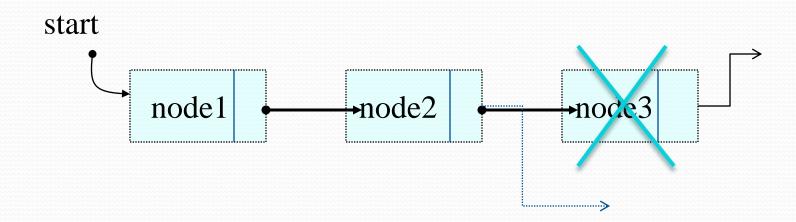
```
void del_first()
    if(start==NULL)
   cout<<"\nError.....List is empty\n";</pre>
    else
     node* temp=start;
     start=temp->link;
     delete temp;
cout<<"\nFirst node deleted successfully...!!!";</pre>
```

Deleting the last node

Here we apply 2 steps:-

 Making the second last node's next pointer point to NULL

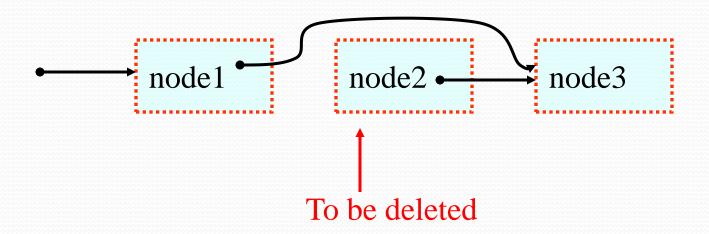
Deleting the last node via delete keyword



```
void del_last()
     if(start==NULL)
     cout<<"\nError....List is empty";</pre>
     else
                 node* q=start;
                       while(q->link->link!=NULL)
                        q=q->link;
                 node* temp=q->link;
                 q->link=NULL;
                 delete temp;
                 cout<<"\nDeleted successfully...";</pre>
```

Deleting a particular node

Here we make the next pointer of the node previous to the node being deleted ,point to the successor node of the node to be deleted and then delete the node using delete keyword



```
void del(int c)
node* q=start;
    for(int i=2;i<c;i++)
     q=q->link;
         if(q==NULL)
         cout<<"\nNode not found\n";</pre>
    if(i==c)
     node* p=q->link; //node to be deleted
    q->link=p->link; //disconnecting the node p
    delete p;
    cout<<"Deleted Successfully";</pre>
```

Searching a SLL

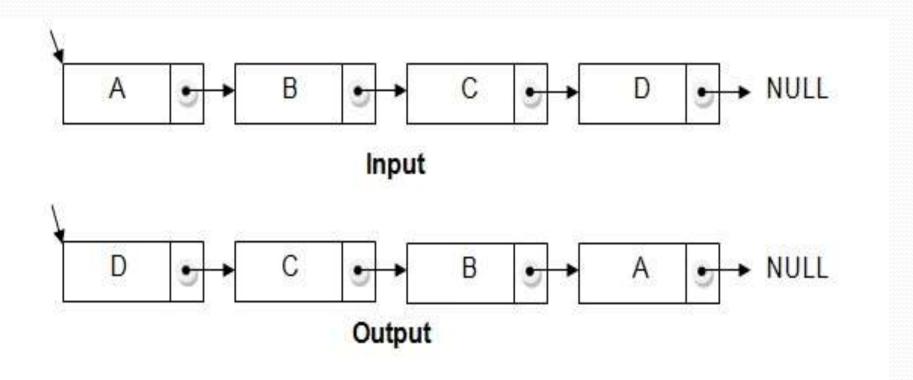
- Searching involves finding the required element in the list
- We can use various techniques of searching like linear search or binary search where binary search is more efficient in case of Arrays
- But in case of linked list since random access is not available it would become complex to do binary search in it
- We can perform simple linear search traversal

In linear search each node is traversed till the data in the node matches with the required value

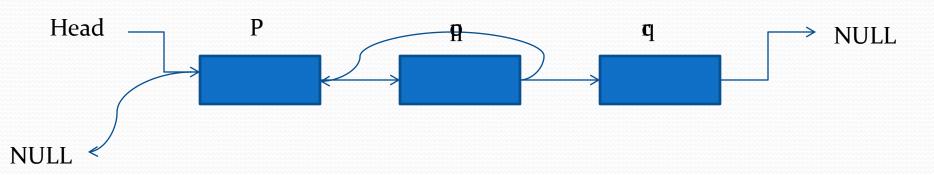
```
void search(int x)
 node*temp=start;
  while(temp!=NULL)
      if(temp->data==x)
        cout<<"FOUND "<<temp->data;
        break;
     temp=temp->next;
```

Reversing a linked list

• We can reverse a linked list by reversing the direction of the links between 2 nodes



- We make use of 3 structure pointers say p,q,r
- At any instant q will point to the node next to p and r will point to the node next to q



- For next iteration p=q and q=r
- At the end we will change head to the last node

Code

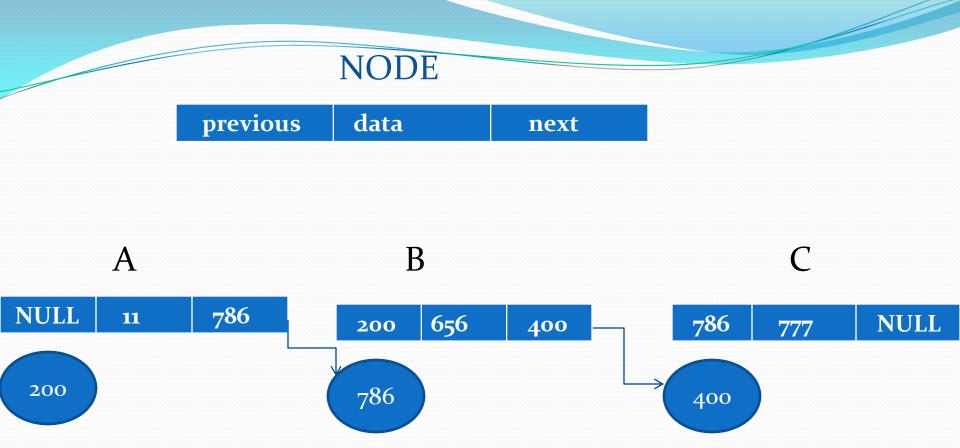
```
void reverse()
node*p,*q,*r;
  if(start==NULL)
   cout<<"\nList is empty\n";</pre>
   return;
p=start;
q=p->link;
p->link=NULL;
 while(q!=NULL)
  r=q->link;
  q->link=p;
  p=q;
  q=r;
 start=p;
 cout<<"\nReversed successfully";</pre>
```

COMPLEXITY OF VARIOUS OPERATIONS IN ARRAYS AND SLL

| Operation | ID-Array Complexity | Singly-linked list Complexity |
|--|---|---|
| Insert at beginning | O(n) | O(1) |
| Insert at end | O(1) | O(1) if the list has tail reference O(n) if the list has no tail reference |
| Insert at middle | O(n) | O(n) |
| Delete at beginning | O(n) | O(1) |
| Delete at end | O(1) | O(n) |
| Delete at middle | O(n): O(1) access followed by O(n) shift | O(n): O(n) search, followed by O(1) delete |
| Search | O(n) linear search O(log n) Binary search | O(n) |
| Indexing: What is the element at a given position k? | O(1) | O(n) |

Doubly Linked List

- Doubly linked list is a linked data structure that consists of a set of sequentially linked records called nodes.
- 2. Each node contains three fields ::
 - -: one is data part which contain data only.
 - -:two other field is links part that are point or references to the previous or to the next node in the sequence of nodes.
- 3. The beginning and ending nodes' **previous** and **next** links, respectively, point to some kind of terminator, typically a sentinel node or null to facilitate traversal of the list.



A doubly linked list contain three fields: an integer value, the link to the next node, and the link to the previous node.

DLL's compared to SLL's

Advantages:

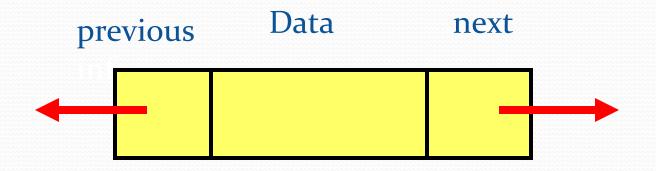
- Can be traversed in either direction (may be essential for some programs)
- Some operations, such as deletion and inserting before a node, become easier

Disadvantages:

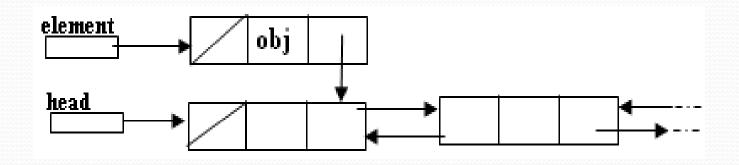
- Requires more space
- List manipulations are slower (because more links must be changed)
- Greater chance of having bugs (because more links must be manipulated)

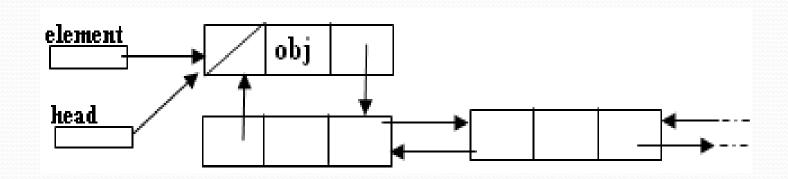
Structure of DLL

```
struct node
{
  int data;
  node*next;
  node*previous; //holds the address of previous node
};
```



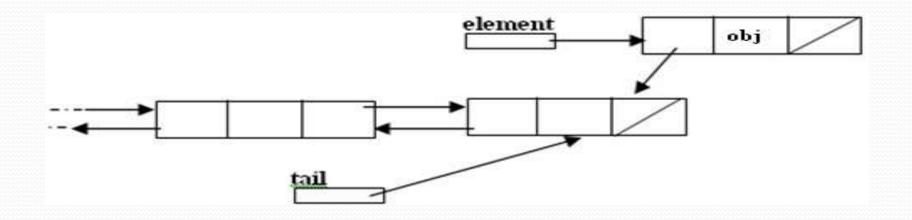
Inserting at beginning

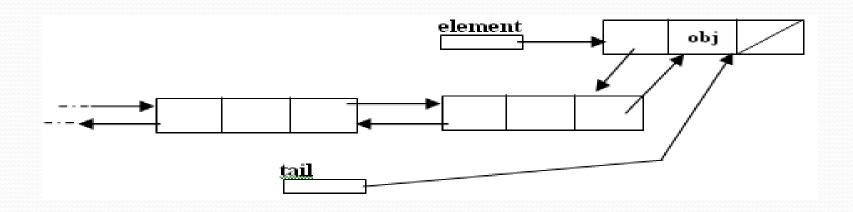




```
void insert_beg(node *p)
 if(start==NULL)
  start=p;
  cout<<"\nNode inserted successfully at the beginning\m";</pre>
 else
 node* temp=start;
 start=p;
 temp->previous=p; //making 1<sup>st</sup> node's previous point to the
  new node
                      //making next of the new node point to the
 p->next=temp;
  ist node
 cout<<"\nNode inserted successfully at the beginning\n";
```

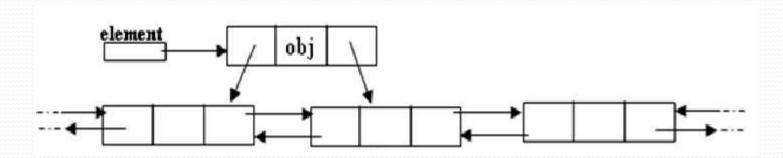
Inserting at the end



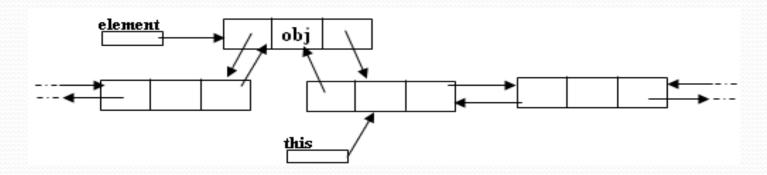


```
void insert_end(node* p)
   if(start==NULL)
   start=p;
   cout<<"\nNode inserted successfully at the end";</pre>
   else
   node* temp=start;
    while(temp->next!=NULL)
    temp=temp->next;
   temp->next=p;
   p->previous=temp;
   cout<<"\nNode inserted successfully at the end\n";</pre>
```

Inserting after a node



Making next and previous pointer of the node to be inserted point accordingly

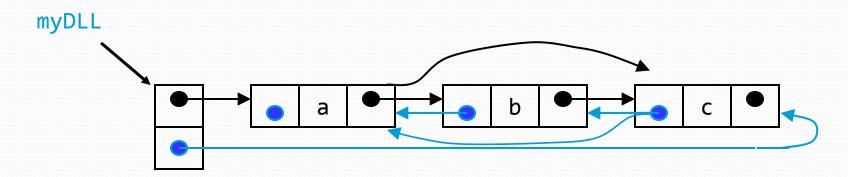


Adjusting the next and previous pointers of the nodes b/w which the new node accordingly

```
void insert_after(int c,node* p)
   temp=start;
   for(int i=1;i<c-1;i++)
   temp=temp->next;
   p->next=temp->next;
   temp->next->previous=p;
   temp->next=p;
   p->previous=temp;
   cout<<"\nInserted successfully";</pre>
```

Deleting a node

- Node deletion from a DLL involves changing two links
- In this example, we will delete node b



- We don't have to do anything about the links in node b
- Garbage collection will take care of deleted nodes
- Deletion of the first node or the last node is a special case

```
void del_at(int c)
  node*s=start;
  for(int i=1;i<c-1;i++)
   s=s->next;
  node* p=s->next;
  s->next=p->next;
  p->next->previous=s;
  delete p;
  cout<<"\nNode number "<<c<" deleted successfully";</pre>
```

THANK YOU