Problem 2095: Delete the Middle Node of a Linked List

Problem Information

Difficulty: Medium
Acceptance Rate: 0.00%
Paid Only: No

Problem Description

You are given the

head

of a linked list.

Delete

the

middle node

, and return

the

head

of the modified linked list

.

The

middle node

of a linked list of size

n

is the

⌊n / 2⌋

th

node from the

start

using

0-based indexing

, where

⌊x⌋

denotes the largest integer less than or equal to

x

.

For

n

=

1

,

2

,

3

,

4

, and

5

, the middle nodes are

0

,

1

,

1

,

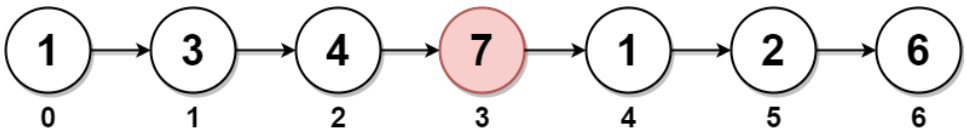
2

, and

2

, respectively.

Example 1:



Input:

head = [1,3,4,7,1,2,6]

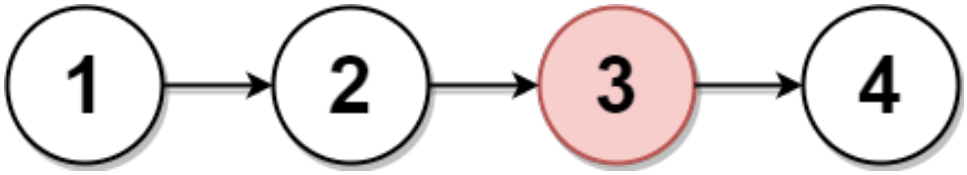
Output:

[1,3,4,1,2,6]

Explanation:

The above figure represents the given linked list. The indices of the nodes are written below. Since n = 7, node 3 with value 7 is the middle node, which is marked in red. We return the new list after removing this node.

Example 2:



Input:

head = [1,2,3,4]

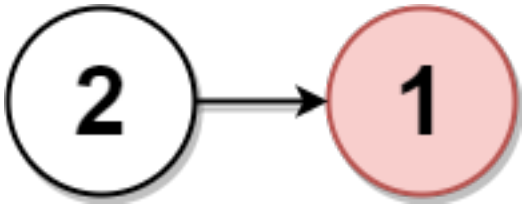
Output:

[1,2,4]

Explanation:

The above figure represents the given linked list. For n = 4, node 2 with value 3 is the middle node, which is marked in red.

Example 3:



Input:

head = [2,1]

Output:

[2]

Explanation:

The above figure represents the given linked list. For n = 2, node 1 with value 1 is the middle node, which is marked in red. Node 0 with value 2 is the only node remaining after removing node 1.

Constraints:

The number of nodes in the list is in the range

[1, 10

5

]

.

1 <= Node.val <= 10

5

Code Snippets

C++:

```
/**
* Definition for singly-linked list.
* struct ListNode {
* int val;
* ListNode *next;
* ListNode() : val(0), next(nullptr) {}
* ListNode(int x) : val(x), next(nullptr) {}
* ListNode(int x, ListNode *next) : val(x), next(next) {}
* };
*/
class Solution {
public:
ListNode* deleteMiddle(ListNode* head) {

}
};
```

Java:

```
/**
* Definition for singly-linked list.
* public class ListNode {
* int val;
* ListNode next;
* ListNode() {}
* ListNode(int val) { this.val = val; }
* ListNode(int val, ListNode next) { this.val = val; this.next = next; }
* }
*/
class Solution {
public ListNode deleteMiddle(ListNode head) {

}
}
```

Python3:

```
# Definition for singly-linked list.
# class ListNode:
# def __init__(self, val=0, next=None):
# self.val = val
# self.next = next
class Solution:
```

```
def deleteMiddle(self, head: Optional[ListNode]) -> Optional[ListNode]:
```

Python:

```
# Definition for singly-linked list.
# class ListNode(object):
# def __init__(self, val=0, next=None):
# self.val = val
# self.next = next
class Solution(object):
def deleteMiddle(self, head):
"""
:type head: Optional[ListNode]
:rtype: Optional[ListNode]
"""
```

JavaScript:

```
/**
* Definition for singly-linked list.
* function ListNode(val, next) {
* this.val = (val===undefined ? 0 : val)
* this.next = (next===undefined ? null : next)
* }
*/
/**
* @param {ListNode} head
* @return {ListNode}
*/
var deleteMiddle = function(head) {

};
```

TypeScript:

```
/**
* Definition for singly-linked list.
* class ListNode {
* val: number
* next: ListNode | null
* constructor(val?: number, next?: ListNode | null) {
* this.val = (val===undefined ? 0 : val)
```

```
* this.next = (next===undefined ? null : next)
* }
* }
*/

function deleteMiddle(head: ListNode | null): ListNode | null {

};
```

C#:

```
/**
* Definition for singly-linked list.
* public class ListNode {
* public int val;
* public ListNode next;
* public ListNode(int val=0, ListNode next=null) {
* this.val = val;
* this.next = next;
* }
* }
*/
public class Solution {
public ListNode DeleteMiddle(ListNode head) {

}
}
```

C:

```
/**
* Definition for singly-linked list.
* struct ListNode {
* int val;
* struct ListNode *next;
* };
*/
struct ListNode* deleteMiddle(struct ListNode* head) {

}
```

Go:

```
/**
* Definition for singly-linked list.
* type ListNode struct {
* Val int
* Next *ListNode
* }
*/
func deleteMiddle(head *ListNode) *ListNode {

}
```

Kotlin:

```
/**
* Example:
* var li = ListNode(5)
* var v = li.`val`
* Definition for singly-linked list.
* class ListNode(var `val`: Int) {
* var next: ListNode? = null
* }
*/
class Solution {
fun deleteMiddle(head: ListNode?): ListNode? {

}
}
```

Swift:

```
/**
* Definition for singly-linked list.
* public class ListNode {
* public var val: Int
* public var next: ListNode?
* public init() { self.val = 0; self.next = nil; }
* public init(_ val: Int) { self.val = val; self.next = nil; }
* public init(_ val: Int, _ next: ListNode?) { self.val = val; self.next =
next; }
* }
*/
class Solution {
func deleteMiddle(_ head: ListNode?) -> ListNode? {
```

```
}
}
```

Rust:

```
// Definition for singly-linked list.
// #[derive(PartialEq, Eq, Clone, Debug)]
// pub struct ListNode {
// pub val: i32,
// pub next: Option<Box<ListNode>>
// }
//
// impl ListNode {
// #[inline]
// fn new(val: i32) -> Self {
// ListNode {
// next: None,
// val
// }
// }
// }
impl Solution {
pub fn delete_middle(head: Option<Box<ListNode>>) -> Option<Box<ListNode>> {

}
}
```

Ruby:

```
# Definition for singly-linked list.
# class ListNode
# attr_accessor :val, :next
# def initialize(val = 0, _next = nil)
# @val = val
# @next = _next
# end
# end
# @param {ListNode} head
# @return {ListNode}
def delete_middle(head)
```

```
end
```

PHP:

```
/**
* Definition for a singly-linked list.
* class ListNode {
* public $val = 0;
* public $next = null;
* function __construct($val = 0, $next = null) {
* $this->val = $val;
* $this->next = $next;
* }
* }
*/
class Solution {

/**
* @param ListNode $head
* @return ListNode
*/
function deleteMiddle($head) {

}
}
```

Dart:

```
/**
* Definition for singly-linked list.
* class ListNode {
* int val;
* ListNode? next;
* ListNode([this.val = 0, this.next]);
* }
*/
class Solution {
ListNode? deleteMiddle(ListNode? head) {

}
}
```

Scala:

```
/**
* Definition for singly-linked list.
* class ListNode(_x: Int = 0, _next: ListNode = null) {
* var next: ListNode = _next
* var x: Int = _x
* }
*/
object Solution {
def deleteMiddle(head: ListNode): ListNode = {

}
}
```

Elixir:

```
# Definition for singly-linked list.
#
# defmodule ListNode do
# @type t :: %__MODULE__{
# val: integer,
# next: ListNode.t() | nil
# }
# defstruct val: 0, next: nil
# end

defmodule Solution do
@spec delete_middle(head :: ListNode.t | nil) :: ListNode.t | nil
def delete_middle(head) do

end
end
```

Erlang:

```
%% Definition for singly-linked list.
%%
%% -record(list_node, {val = 0 :: integer(),
%% next = null :: 'null' | #list_node{}}).

-spec delete_middle(Head :: #list_node{} | null) -> #list_node{} | null.
delete_middle(Head) ->
```

```
.
```

Racket:

```
; Definition for singly-linked list:
#|

; val : integer?
; next : (or/c list-node? #f)
(struct list-node
(val next) #:mutable #:transparent)

; constructor
(define (make-list-node [val 0])
(list-node val #f))

|#

(define/contract (delete-middle head)
(-> (or/c list-node? #f) (or/c list-node? #f))
)
```

Solutions

C++ Solution:

```
/*
* Problem: Delete the Middle Node of a Linked List
* Difficulty: Medium
* Tags: array, linked_list
*
* Approach: Use two pointers or sliding window technique
* Time Complexity: O(n) or O(n log n)
* Space Complexity: O(1) to O(n) depending on approach
*/

/**
* Definition for singly-linked list.
* struct ListNode {
* int val;
```

```
* ListNode *next;
* ListNode() : val(0), next(nullptr) {}
* ListNode(int x) : val(x), next(nullptr) {}
* ListNode(int x, ListNode *next) : val(x), next(next) {}
* };
*/
class Solution {
public:
ListNode* deleteMiddle(ListNode* head) {

}
};
```

Java Solution:

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* Space Complexity: O(1) to O(n) depending on approach
*/

/**
* Definition for singly-linked list.
* public class ListNode {
* int val;
* ListNode next;
* ListNode() {
// TODO: Implement optimized solution
return 0;
}
* ListNode(int val) { this.val = val; }
* ListNode(int val, ListNode next) { this.val = val; this.next = next; }
* }
*/
class Solution {
public ListNode deleteMiddle(ListNode head) {
```

```
}
}
```

Python3 Solution:

```
"""
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Difficulty: Medium
Tags: array, linked_list

Approach: Use two pointers or sliding window technique
Time Complexity: O(n) or O(n log n)
Space Complexity: O(1) to O(n) depending on approach
"""

# Definition for singly-linked list.
# class ListNode:
# def __init__(self, val=0, next=None):
# self.val = val
# self.next = next
class Solution:
def deleteMiddle(self, head: Optional[ListNode]) -> Optional[ListNode]:
# TODO: Implement optimized solution
pass
```

Python Solution:

```
# Definition for singly-linked list.
# class ListNode(object):
# def __init__(self, val=0, next=None):
# self.val = val
# self.next = next
class Solution(object):
def deleteMiddle(self, head):
"""
:type head: Optional[ListNode]
:rtype: Optional[ListNode]
"""
```

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*/

/**
* Definition for singly-linked list.
* function ListNode(val, next) {
* this.val = (val===undefined ? 0 : val)
* this.next = (next===undefined ? null : next)
* }
*/
/**
* @param {ListNode} head
* @return {ListNode}
*/
var deleteMiddle = function(head) {

};
```

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*/

/**
* Definition for singly-linked list.
* class ListNode {
* val: number
* next: ListNode | null
```

```
* constructor(val?: number, next?: ListNode | null) {
* this.val = (val===undefined ? 0 : val)
* this.next = (next===undefined ? null : next)
* }
* }
*/

function deleteMiddle(head: ListNode | null): ListNode | null {

};
```

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* }
* }
*/
public class Solution {
public ListNode DeleteMiddle(ListNode head) {

}
}
```

C Solution:

```c
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*/

/**
* Definition for singly-linked list.
* struct ListNode {
* int val;
* struct ListNode *next;
* };
*/
struct ListNode* deleteMiddle(struct ListNode* head) {

}
```

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/**
* Definition for singly-linked list.
* type ListNode struct {
* Val int
* Next *ListNode
* }
*/
func deleteMiddle(head *ListNode) *ListNode {

}
```

Kotlin Solution:

```
/**
* Example:
* var li = ListNode(5)
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* Definition for singly-linked list.
* class ListNode(var `val`: Int) {
* var next: ListNode? = null
* }
*/
class Solution {
fun deleteMiddle(head: ListNode?): ListNode? {

}
}
```

Swift Solution:

```
/**
* Definition for singly-linked list.
* public class ListNode {
* public var val: Int
* public var next: ListNode?
* public init() { self.val = 0; self.next = nil; }
* public init(_ val: Int) { self.val = val; self.next = nil; }
* public init(_ val: Int, _ next: ListNode?) { self.val = val; self.next =
next; }
* }
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class Solution {
func deleteMiddle(_ head: ListNode?) -> ListNode? {

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}
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// pub struct ListNode {
// pub val: i32,
// pub next: Option<Box<ListNode>>
// }
//
// impl ListNode {
// #[inline]
// fn new(val: i32) -> Self {
// ListNode {
// next: None,
// val
// }
// }
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}
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# class ListNode
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# @param {ListNode} head
# @return {ListNode}
def delete_middle(head)

end
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* function __construct($val = 0, $next = null) {
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* }
*/
class Solution {

/**
* @param ListNode $head
* @return ListNode
*/
function deleteMiddle($head) {

}
}
```

Dart Solution:

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* Definition for singly-linked list.
* class ListNode {
* int val;
* ListNode? next;
* ListNode([this.val = 0, this.next]);
* }
*/
class Solution {
ListNode? deleteMiddle(ListNode? head) {

}
}
```

Scala Solution:

```
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* Definition for singly-linked list.
* class ListNode(_x: Int = 0, _next: ListNode = null) {
* var next: ListNode = _next
* var x: Int = _x
* }
*/
object Solution {
def deleteMiddle(head: ListNode): ListNode = {

}
}
```

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# Definition for singly-linked list.
#
# defmodule ListNode do
# @type t :: %__MODULE__{
# val: integer,
# next: ListNode.t() | nil
# }
# defstruct val: 0, next: nil
# end

defmodule Solution do
@spec delete_middle(head :: ListNode.t | nil) :: ListNode.t | nil
def delete_middle(head) do

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%% Definition for singly-linked list.
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(define/contract (delete-middle head)
(-> (or/c list-node? #f) (or/c list-node? #f))
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