

## 7. Linked Lists

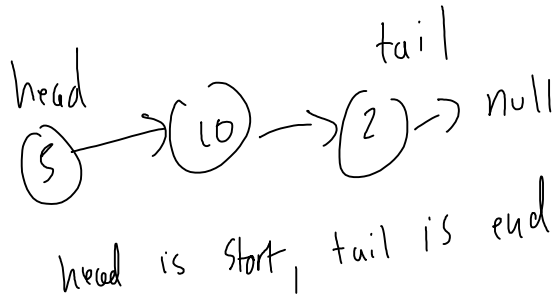
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<https://docs.oracle.com/javase/7/docs/api/java/util/LinkedList.html>

Nodes

- consists of 2 things:
  - Value of data
  - pointer to next node

<https://visualgo.net/en/list?slide=1>



Why Linked List:

- Don't have to shift every element when inserting elements
- While loop to traverse linked list
  - because linked list doesn't have a fixed size, you just have to hit null
- Delete nodes is easier vs array
- L.L. has sequential order, which can be sorted unlike hashmaps

* prepend	$O(1)$	- beginning of L.L.
append	$O(1)$	- end of L.L.
lookup	$O(n)$	- traversal
insert	$O(n)$	- only $O(n)$ at worst case
delete	$O(n)$	

## What is a pointer

- reference to a place in memory / object / node

e.g.

```
int number = 5;  
int pointer = number;
```

Java has automatic garbage collection, so you don't have to delete value + pointer if unused

## Creating a linked list

- 3 classes

### Node

- int data
- Node next

### LinkedList

- append
- prepend
- insert
- delete

### Main

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head → null, head = null

head → 5 → 6 → null

temp node = head  
(for traverse list)      temp.next != null

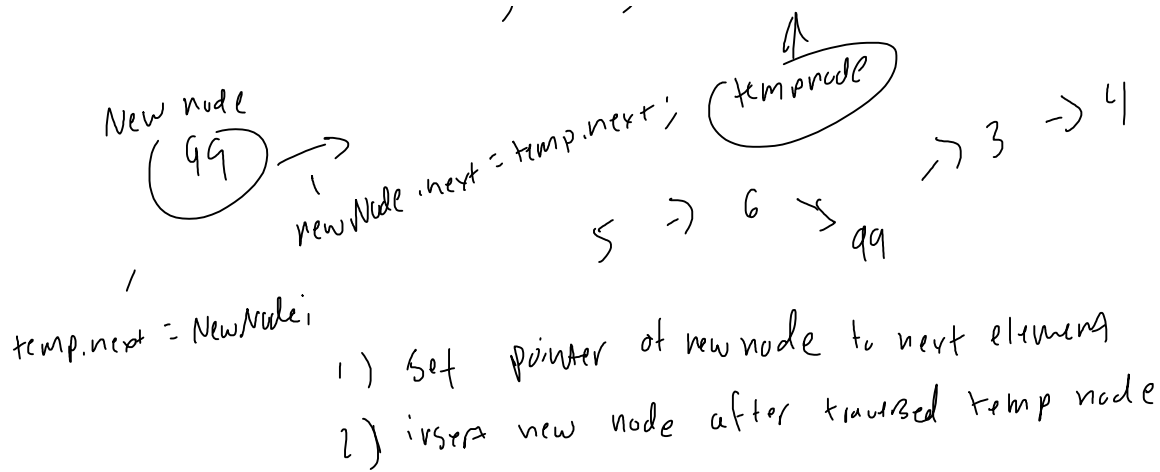
insert At (1)

head

1  
→ 5 → 3

temp node

4 → null



## Singly Linked List

```
public class Node {
```

```
    int data;
    Node next; // Refers to the next node
```

```
    // Constructor
```

```
    Node(int d) {
        data = d;
        next = null;
    }
}
```

```
class Main {
```

```
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        LinkedList newList = new LinkedList();
```

```
        newList.append(3);
        newList.append(4);
        newList.prepend(2);
        newList.prepend(1);
        newList.insert(3,61);
        newList.show();
```

```
        System.out.println("-----");
        newList.delete(2);
```

```
        newList.show();
```

```
    }
}
```

```
public class LinkedList {
```

```
    Node head; // refers to first node
    int length = 1;
```

```
    // Insert node with input data at end of Linked List
```

```
    public Node append(int data) {
```

```
        // Create new node with given data
```

```
        Node newNode = new Node(data);
```

```
        // Check if first node or not, if empty then new node is head
```

```
        if (head == null)
```

```
        {
            head = newNode;
        }
```

```
    else {
```

```
        // Traverse to last node then append the new node to the end
```

```
        // Temp node refers to head node, then checks the next
```

```
        // nodes until it hits last
```

```
        Node temp = head;
```

```
        while (temp.next != null) {
```

```
            temp = temp.next;
```

```
        }
```

```
        temp.next = newNode;
```

```

    }
    length++;
    return head;
}

```

```

// Insert node with input data at start of Linked List
public Node prepend(int data) {

```

```

    Node newNode = new Node(data);

```

```

    // Let the new Node point to the head
    newNode.next = head;

```

```

    // Make new node the head
    head = newNode;

```

```

    length++;
    return head;

```

```

}

```

```

// Insert node at position

```

```

public Node insert(int index, int data){

```

```

    Node newNode = new Node(data);

```

```

    // Edge case checks

```

```

    if (index <= 0) {
        prepend(data);
    }

```

```

    else if (index >= length) {
        append(data);
    }

```

```

    else {
        Node temp = head;
        // Traverse to index where node is to be inserted
        for (int i = 0; i < index - 1; i++) {
            temp = temp.next;
        }

```

```

        // new node now points to the next node that temp node
        traversed

```

```

        newNode.next = temp.next;
        // insert new node after traversed temp node
        temp.next = newNode;

```

```

    }

```

```

    length++;
    return head;

```

```

}

```

```

public Node delete(int index){

```

```

    if (index < 0 ){
        index = 0;
    }
    if (index == 0) {
        head = head.next;
    }

```

```

    Node temp = head;
    for (int i = 0 ; i < index -1; i++) {
        temp = temp.next;

```

```

}
/* for garbage collection
Node delete = null;
delete = temp.next;
temp.next = delete.next;

*/
temp.next = temp.next.next;
length--;
return head;
}

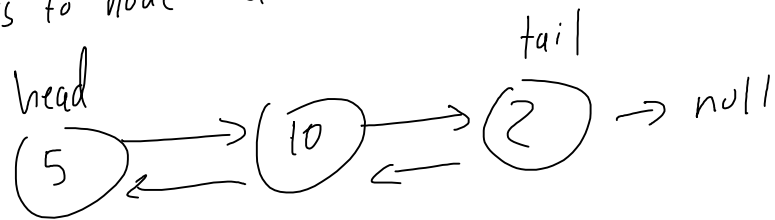
// Prints whole list
public void show(){
    // Temp node to traverse list
    Node temp = head;

    while (temp.next != null)
    {
        System.out.println(temp.data);
        temp = temp.next;
    }
    // Prints last element
    System.out.println(temp.data);
    System.out.println("length: " + length);
}
}

```

## Doubly Linked List

• Links to node before it with a prev pointer



~~prepend~~  $O(1)$

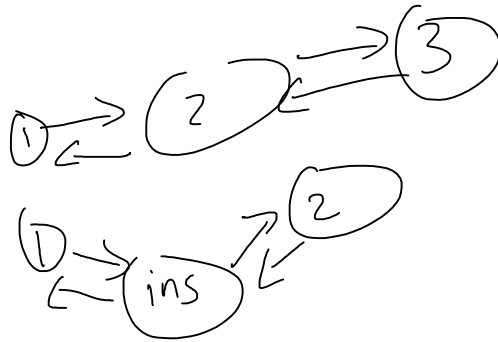
append  $O(1)$

lookup  $O(n/2) \rightarrow O(n)$  , traversal

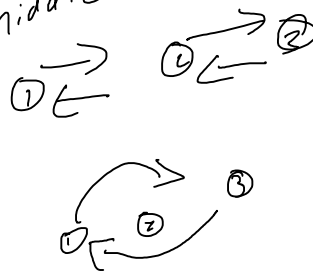
insert  $O(n)$

delete  $O(n)$

pseudo insert after 1



delete middle



```

public class LinkedList {
    Node head; // refers to first node
    int length = 1;

    // Insert node with input data at end of Linked List
    public Node append(int data) {

        // Create new node with given data
        Node newNode = new Node(data);

        // Check if first node or not, if empty then new node is head
        if (head == null)
        {
            head = newNode;
            newNode.prev = null;
            return head;
        }
        else {
            // Traverse to last node then append the new node to the end
            // Temp node refers to head node, then checks the next
            // nodes until it hits last
            Node temp = head;
            while (temp.next != null) {
                temp = temp.next;
            }
            temp.next = newNode; // append newNode to end of list
            newNode.prev = temp; // newNode prev pointer set to node
            before
        }
        length++;
        return head;
    }
}
  
```

```

public class Node {

    int data;
    Node next; // Refers to the next node
    Node prev; // Refers to prev node

    // Constructor
    Node(int d) {
        data = d;
    }
}

class Main {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        LinkedList newList = new LinkedList();

        newList.append(3);
        newList.append(4);
        newList.prepend(2);
        newList.prepend(1);
        newList.insert(2,61);
        newList.show();

        System.out.println("-----");
        newList.delete(2);
    }
}
  
```

```

    }
    length++;
    return head;
}

// Insert node with input data at start of Linked List
public Node prepend(int data) {

    Node newNode = new Node(data);

    // Let the new Node point to the head and new node point to null
    newNode.next = head;
    newNode.prev = null;

    // current head prev pointer points to new head
    if (head != null) {
        head.prev = newNode;
    }

    // make newNode the head
    head = newNode;

    length++;
    return head;
}

// Insert node at position

public Node insert(int index, int data){

    Node newNode = new Node(data);

    // Edge case checks
    if (index <= 0) {
        prepend(data);
    }
    else if (index >= length) {
        append(data);
    }
    else {
        Node temp = head;
        // Traverse to index where node is to be inserted
        for (int i = 0; i < index - 1; i++) {
            temp = temp.next;
        }

        // new node now points to the next node that temp node
        // traversed
        newNode.next = temp.next;
        // insert new node after traversed temp node
        temp.next = newNode;

        // newNode prev pointer points to traversed temp
        newNode.prev = temp;

        // prev pointer of node after inserted new node points to this
        // new node
        newNode.next.prev = newNode;

    }

    length++;
    return head;
}

newList.show();
}
}

Node@4554617c, data: 1, next:Node@74a14482, prev:null
Node@74a14482, data: 2, next:Node@1540e19d, prev:Node@
4554617c
Node@1540e19d, data: 61, next:Node@677327b6,
prev:Node@74a14482
Node@677327b6, data: 3, next:Node@14ae5a5, prev:Node@
1540e19d
Node@14ae5a5, data: 4, next:null, prev:Node@677327b6
length: 5
-----
Node@4554617c, data: 1, next:Node@74a14482, prev:null
Node@74a14482, data: 2, next:Node@677327b6, prev:Node@
4554617c
Node@677327b6, data: 3, next:Node@14ae5a5, prev:Node@
74a14482
Node@14ae5a5, data: 4, next:null, prev:Node@677327b6
length: 4

Process finished with exit code 0

```

```

public Node delete(int index){
    if (index < 0 ){
        index = 0;
    }
    if (index == 0) {
        head = head.next;
    }

    Node temp = head;
    for (int i = 0 ; i < index -1; i++) {
        temp = temp.next;
    }
    /* for garbage collection
    Node delete = null;
    delete = temp.next;
    temp.next = delete.next;

    */

    // Deletes node by having current pointer point to node after node
    // you want to delete
    temp.next = temp.next.next;
    // Prev pointer of the node after your deleted node points to the
    // node before deleted
    temp.next.prev = temp;
    length--;
    return head;
}

// Prints whole list
public void show(){
    // Temp node to traverse list
    Node temp = head;

    while (temp.next != null)
    {
        System.out.println( temp + ", data: " + temp.data + ", next:" +
temp.next + ", prev:" + temp.prev);
        temp = temp.next;
    }
    // Prints last element
    System.out.println( temp + ", data: " + temp.data + ", next:" +
temp.next + ", prev:" + temp.prev);
    System.out.println("length: " + length);
}

}

```

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Singly

- less memory

- Slightly faster  
 don't have to

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Doubly Linked List

- traversal from front & back
- deleting a prev node is faster
- requires more memory & storage



- Slightly faster  
(b/c we don't have to update pointer)
- good for fast insertion & deletion  
and you don't need much searching

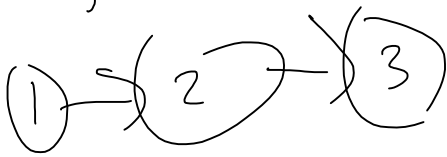
- requires more memory & storage
- good for searching  
- forwards & back

## Reverse a linked list Practice

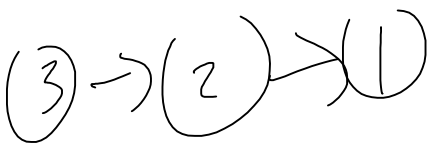
input: head of a singly linked list

output: return the reversed list

e.g.



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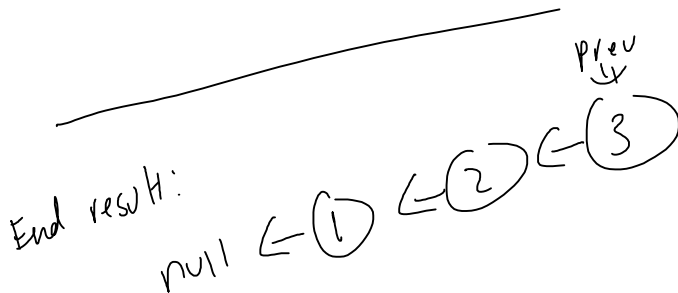
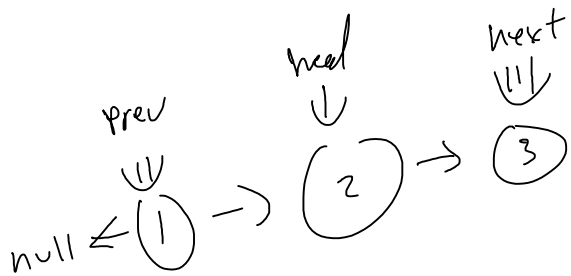
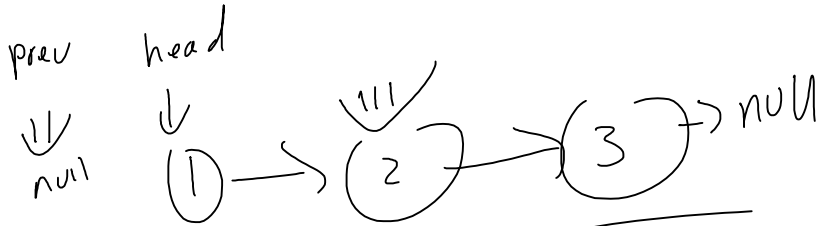
Approach:

Edge Case: head == null  
return head

Approach

prev & head & next pointer

3 pointer



Node prev = null;

(head != null) {

① Node nextNode = head.next

② head → prev

③ prev = head

④ head = next

}  
return prev

```

class Solution {
    public ListNode reverseList(ListNode head) {
        // Edge case check
        if (head == null) {
            return head;
        }

        // 3 Pointer Approach
        // Initialize outside because we return prev and it points the
        reverse
        ListNode prev = null;
        while (head != null) {
            ListNode nextNode = head.next; // Initialize inside because it's a
            temp placeholder
            head.next = prev;
            prev = head;
            head = nextNode;
        }
        return prev;
    }
}
// O(n) time, because while loop depends on N size of the
LinkedList.size()
  
```

- reverse, current head → prev  
3 advance nodes

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```
    return prev;
}
// O(n) time, because while loop depends on N size of the
LinkedList.size()
// O(1) space, because space created was constant and not
dependent on anything
}
```

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