

# Today - Lecture 15 - CS162


- 1) Deletion Algorithms for a LLL
- 2) Removing all nodes in a LLL
- 3) Experience Recursion
- 4) Next time: Recursion

Announcements:

\* PRACTICE LLL !

# Removal from a LLL (Remember)

## Special Cases

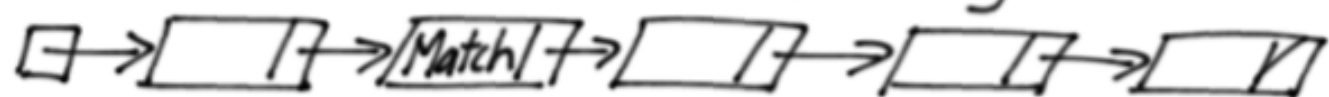
1) Empty List   
head

2) Remove the first node, causing head to be changed



- can we just say: delete head?  
NO!

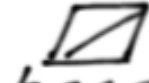
3) Remove elsewhere - requiring traversal!



4) No Match found (ultimately current becomes NULL)

- Do Nothing!

## Special Cases

1) Empty List   
head

if (!head) // if head is NULL  
return; // nothing to delete!

Case #2 :

2) Remove the first node, causing head to be changed



if (strcmp(head->data, Match) == 0) // Match!!

*if our data, and match, are  
arrays of characters*

```
{ temp = head->next;  
} delete head; head = temp;
```

Case #3:

3) Remove elsewhere - requiring traversal!



$current = head \rightarrow next;$  // 2nd node  
 $previous = head;$

```
while (current && strcmp(current->data, match) != 0)
{
```

```
    previous = current; // So we can "reconnect"
                        // around the node
                        // being deleted.
```

```
    current = current->next;
```

Traverse to the next node.

```
}
```

// so... could current be NULL now?

```
if (current != NULL) // something to remove
{
```

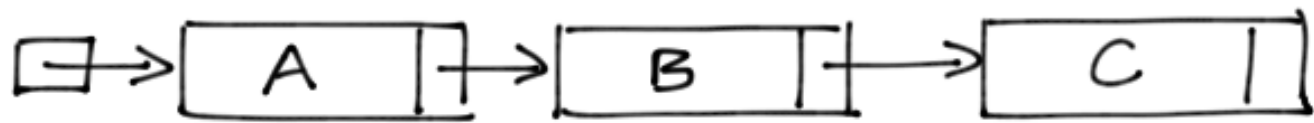
```
    previous->next = current->next;
```

```
    delete current;
```

```
}
```

Removal All (when done with the LLL)

- Performed by the destructor when using classes



① why not: delete head?

② why not:

```
while (head)
{
```

```
    delete head;
    head = head->next;
```

*is this our memory?*

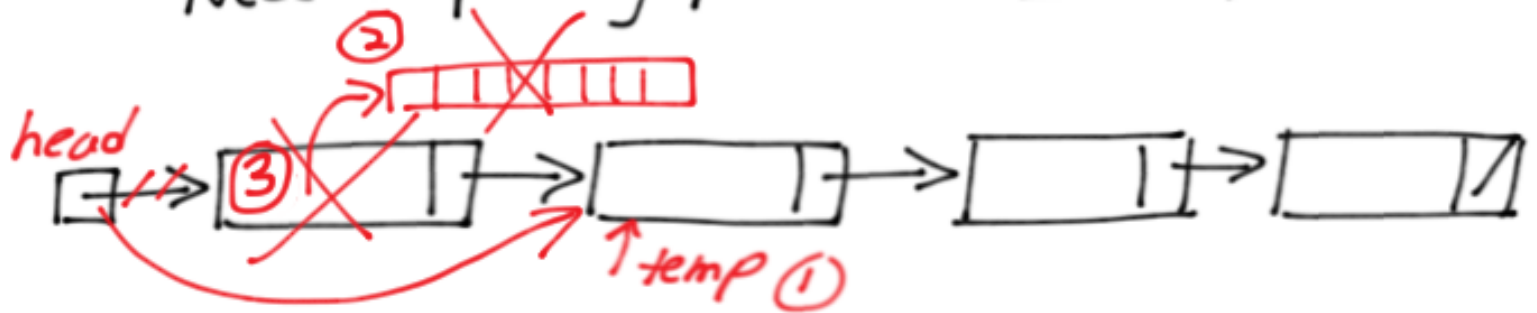
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}
```

③ Need temporary pointers (LOCAL VARIABLES)



## Remove All:

Need temporary pointers (LOCAL VARIABLES)



IF There are Nodes - .

- ① Set temp to point to the next node
- ② Delete the dynamic memory managed by the node that head points to
- ③ Delete the node that head points to
- ④ Update head to point where temp is pointing

What would this do?

```
struct node
```

```
{  
    ~node();  
    char * name;  
    node * next;  
};
```

```
node::~~node()  
{  
    delete [] name;  
    delete next;  
    next = NULL;  
}
```

delete head;

