

# Linked Lists

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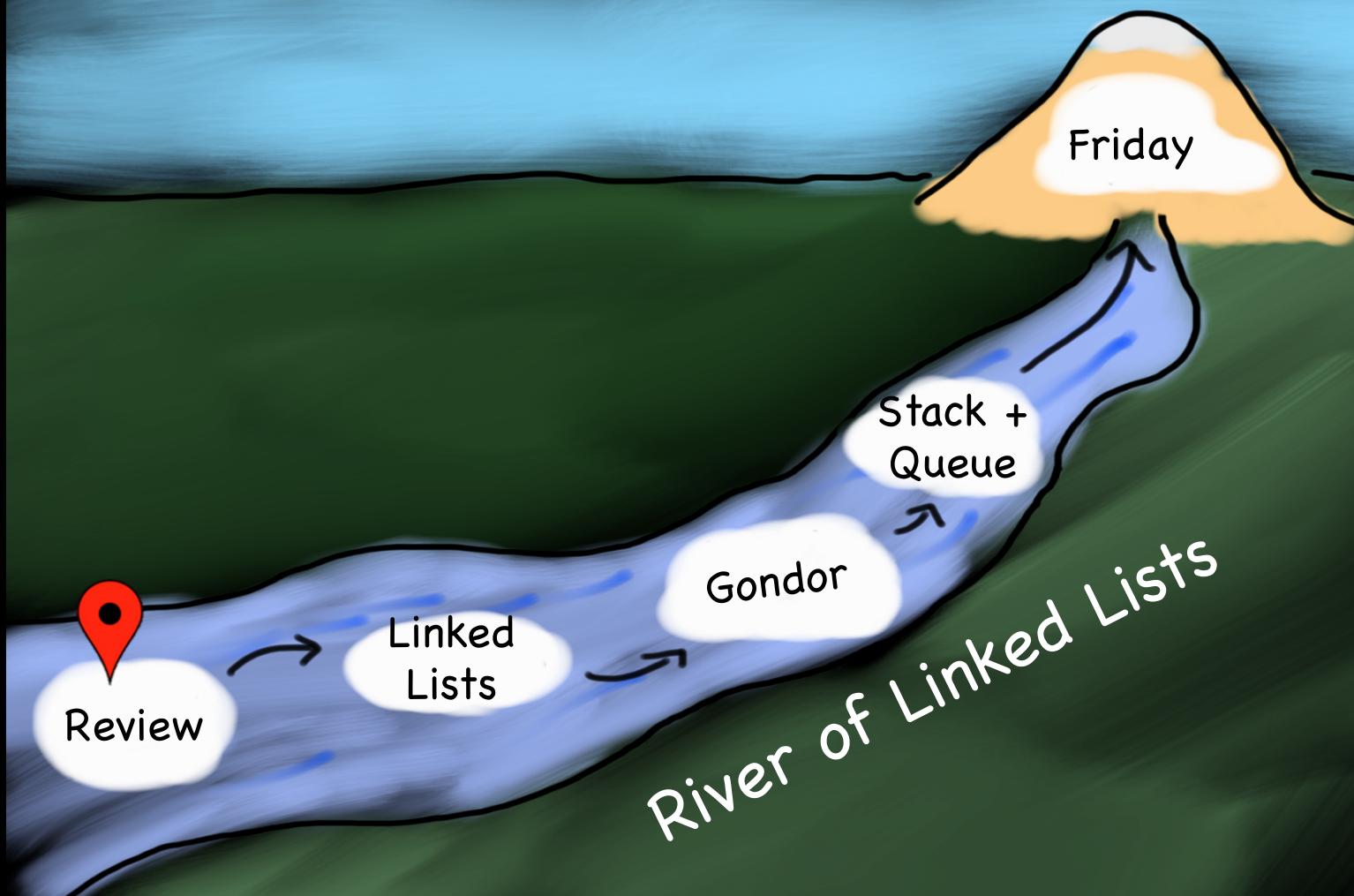


# Today's Goals

1. Learn linked lists
2. See how Stack + Queue work
3. Get ready for trees...



# Today's Journey



# Announcement



Dynamic Allocation!

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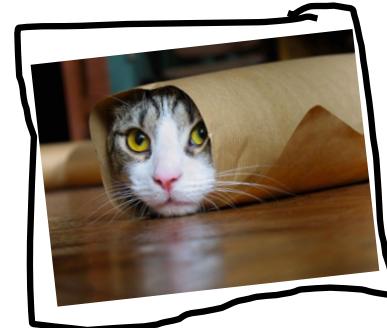
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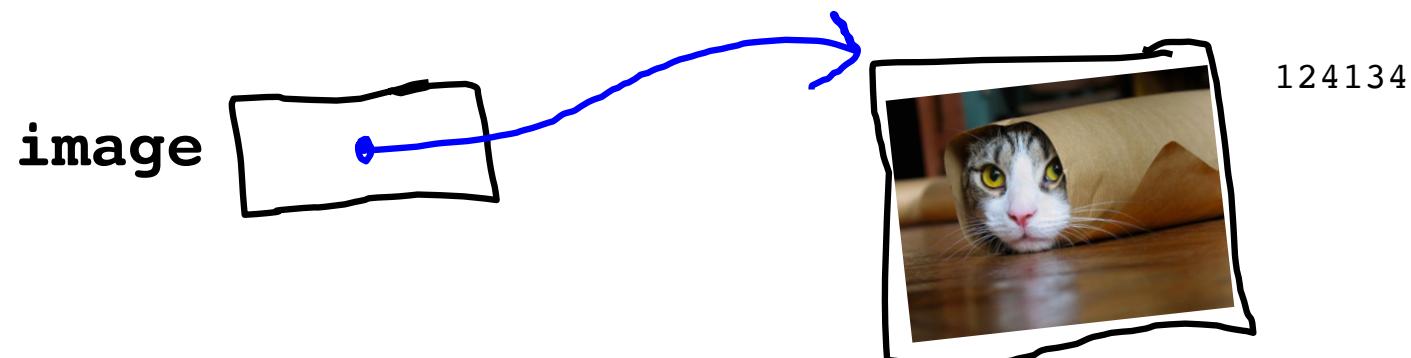
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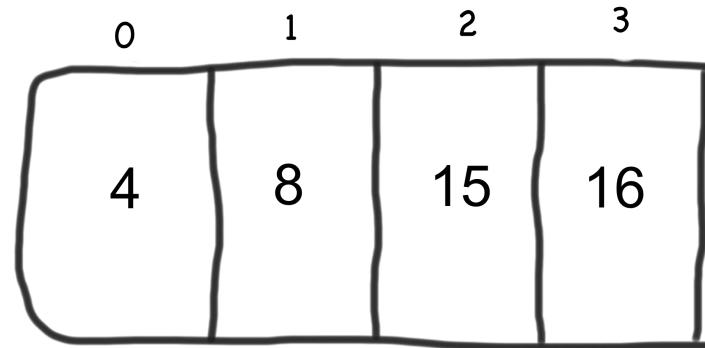
Its easy to share large objects.

Control over variable lifespan.

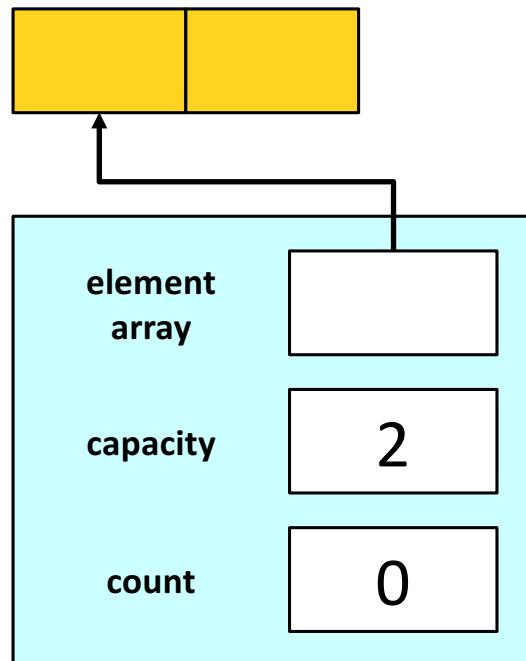
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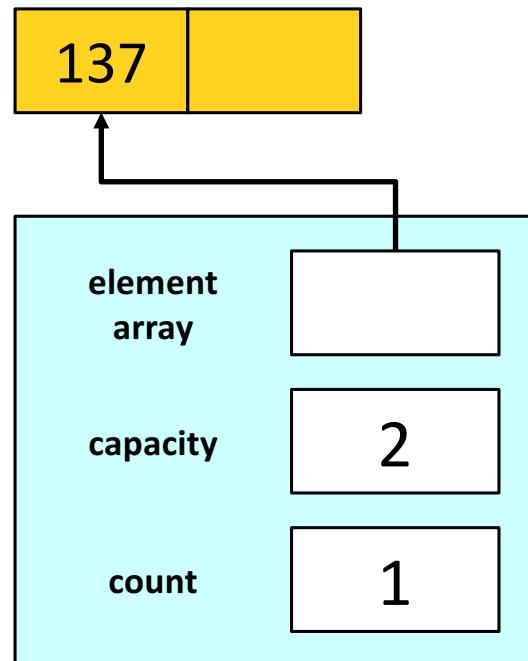
A pointer is like a URL. Not the actual page, the address of the page



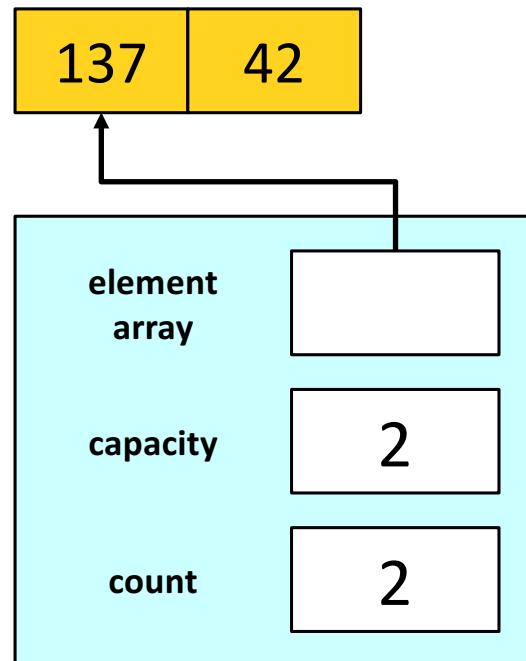
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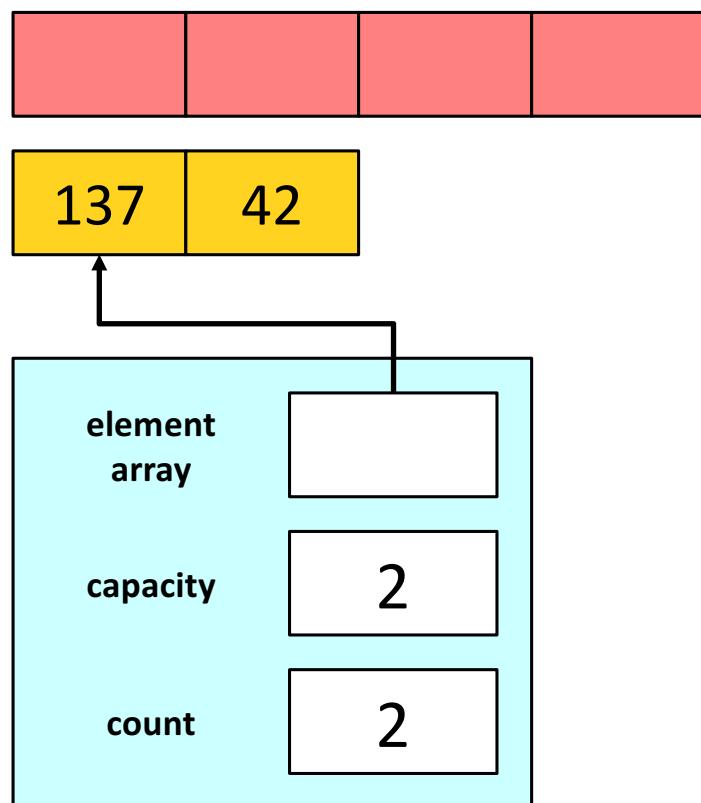
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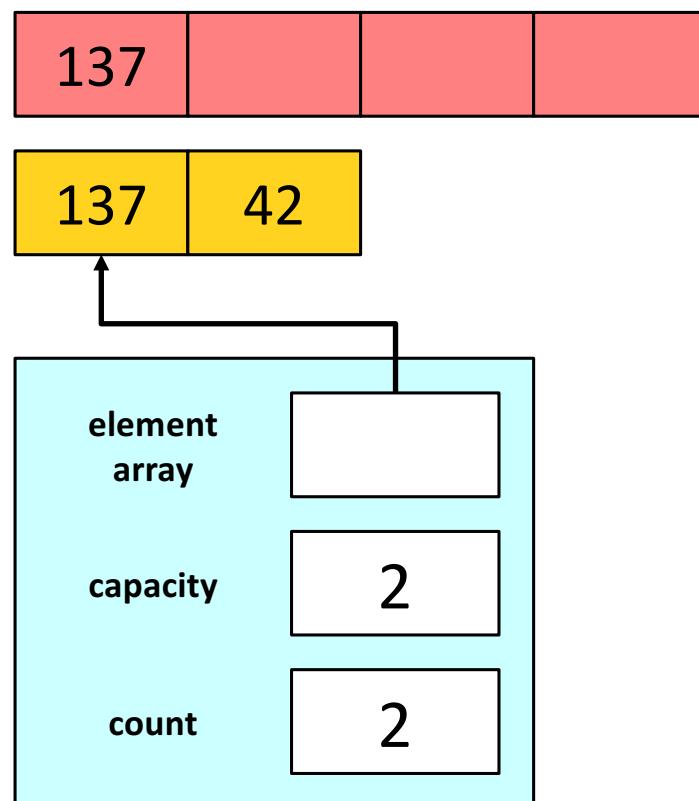
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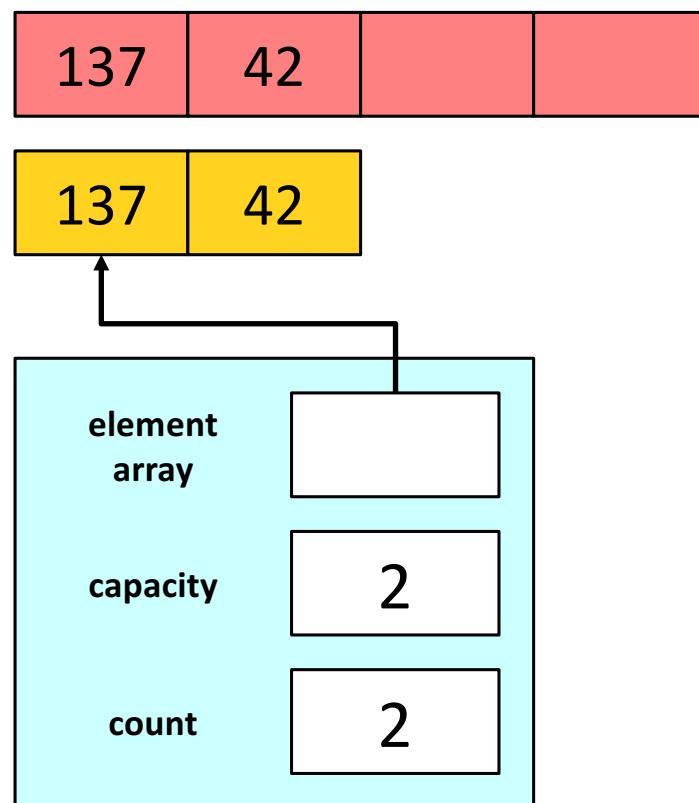
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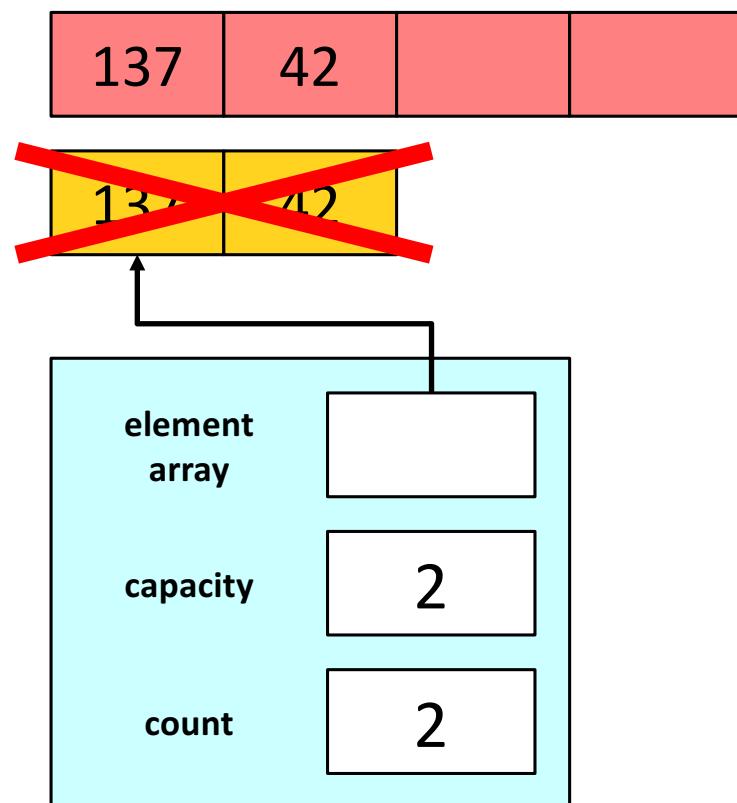
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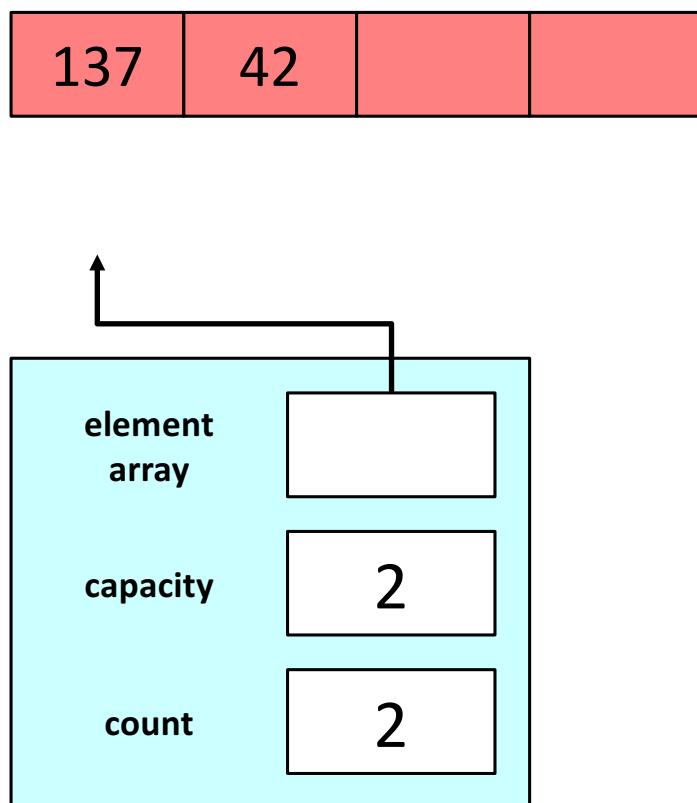
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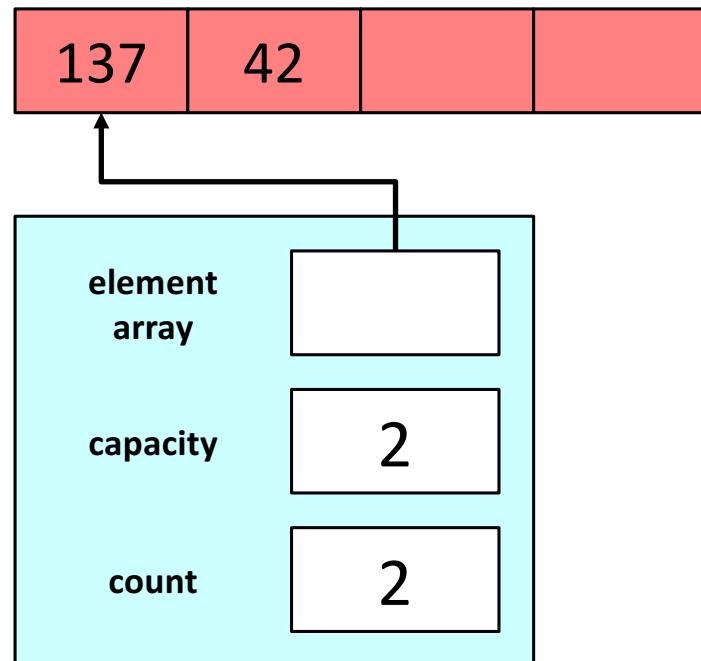
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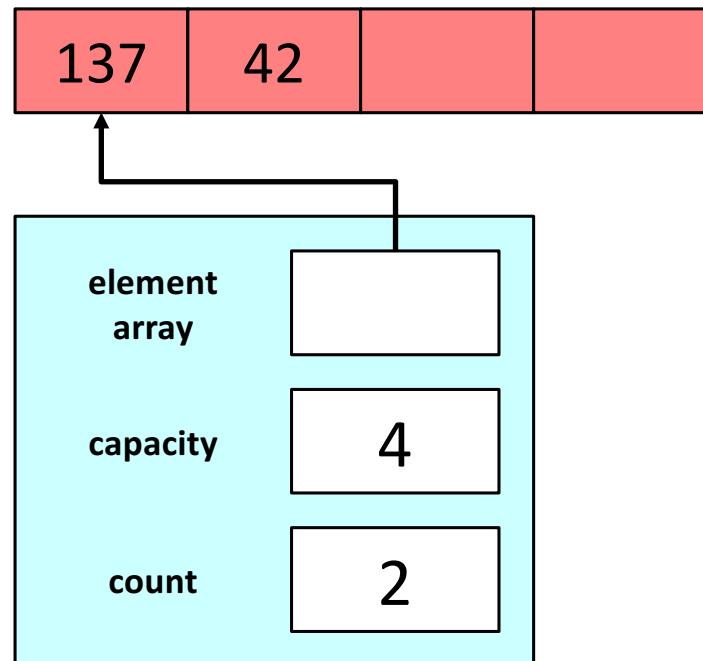
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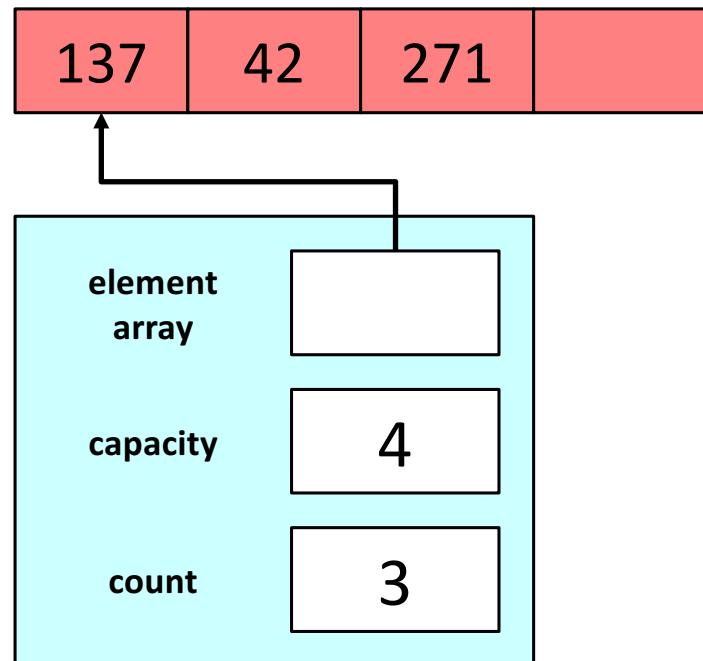
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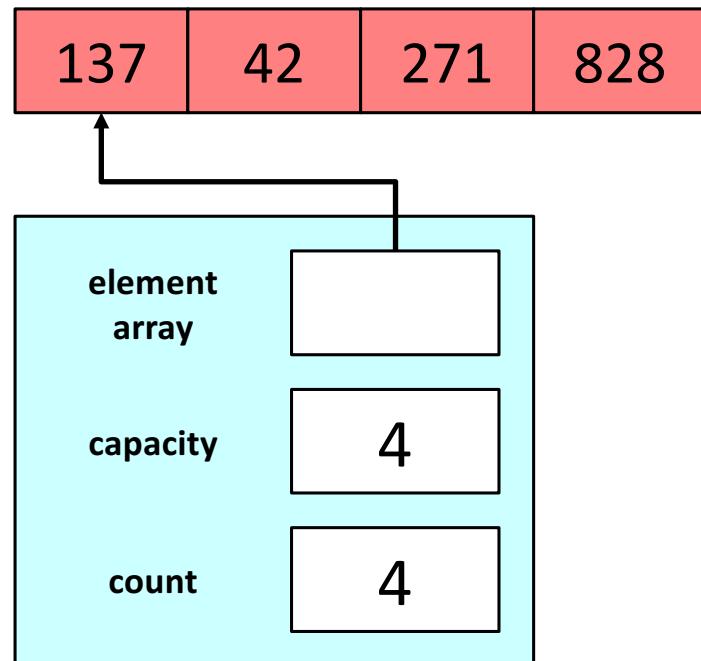
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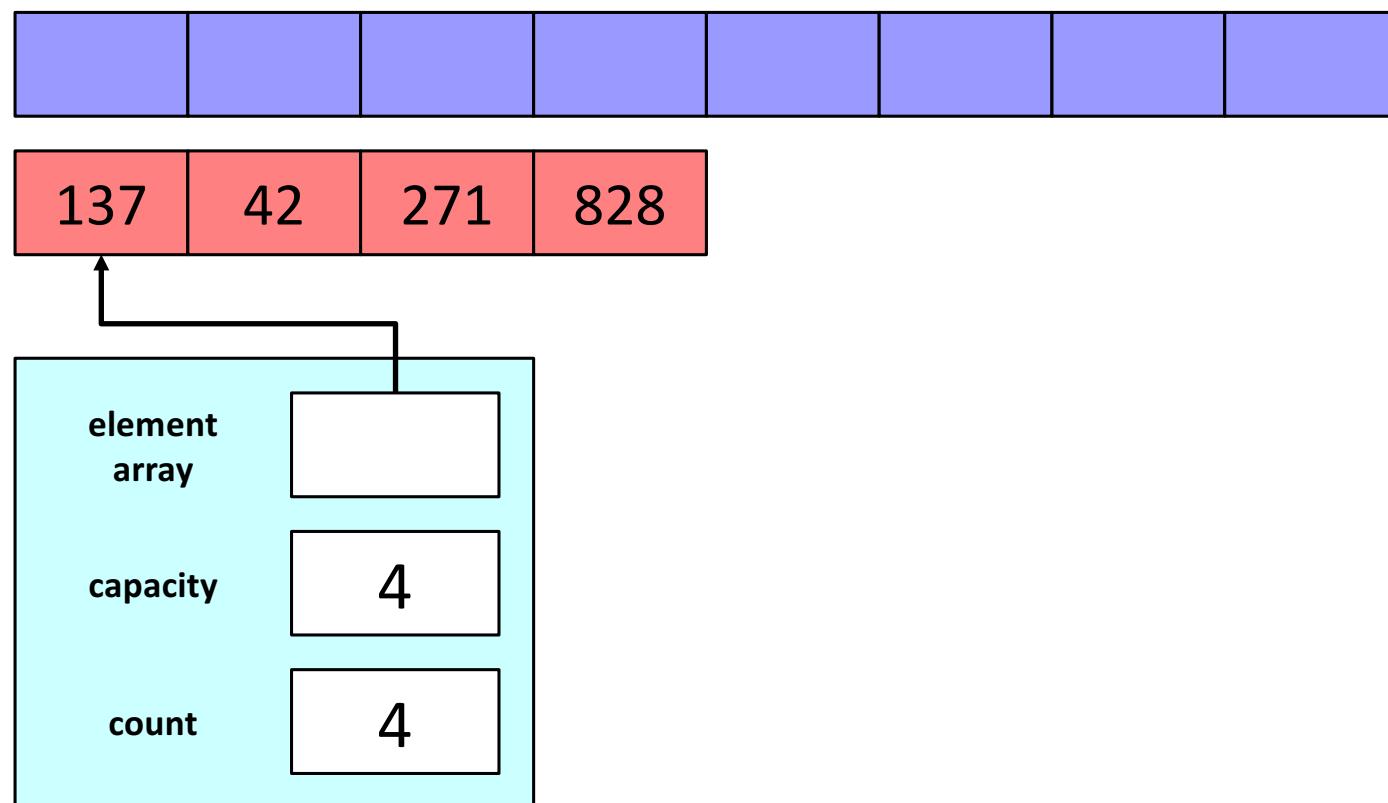
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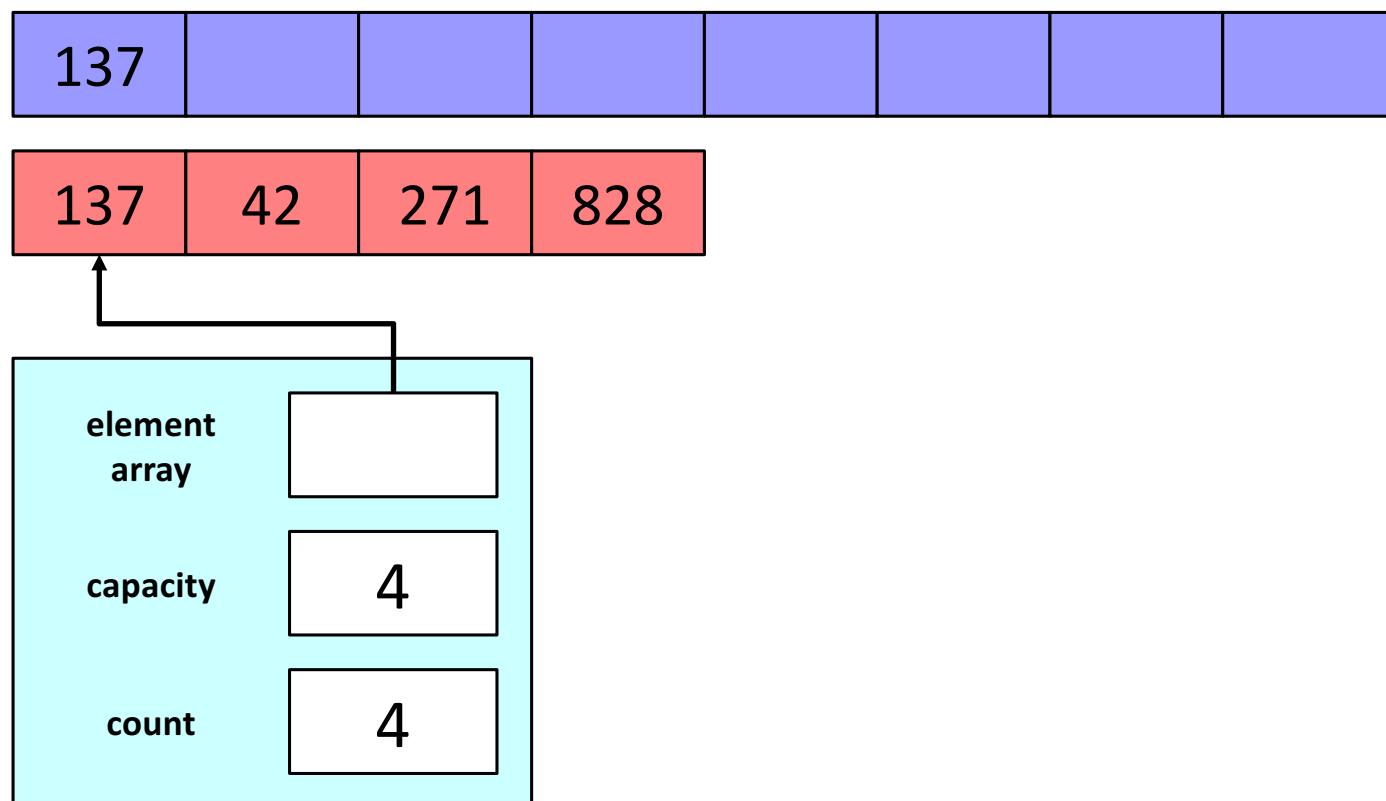
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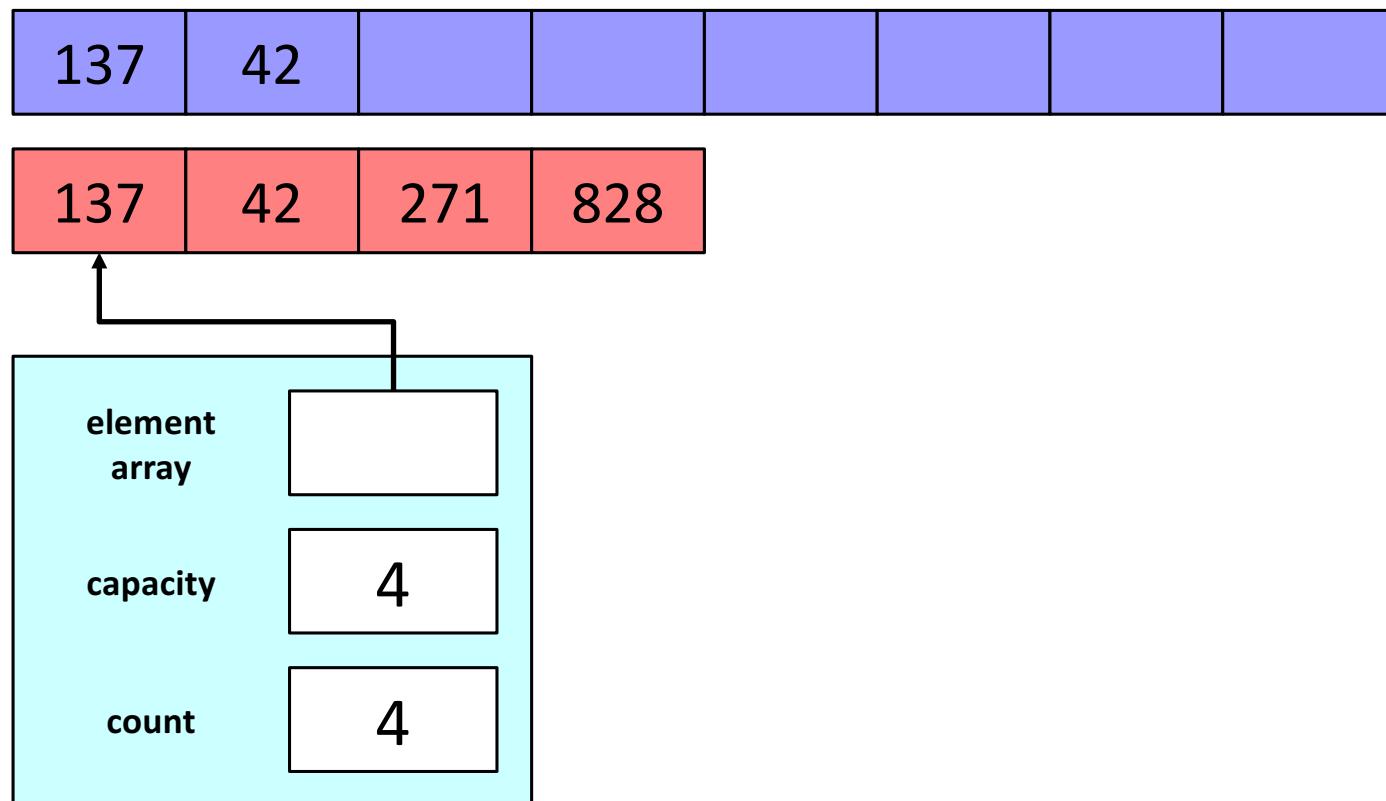
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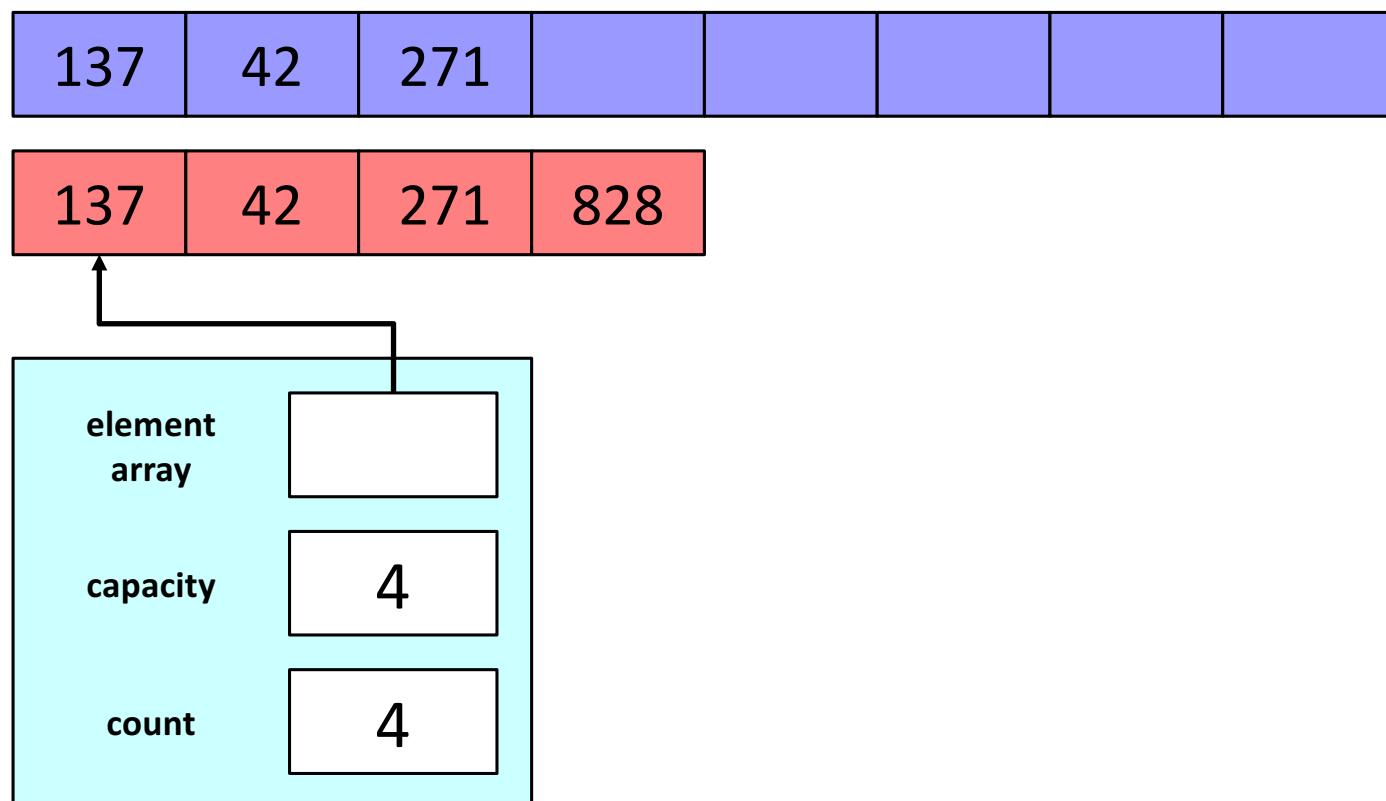
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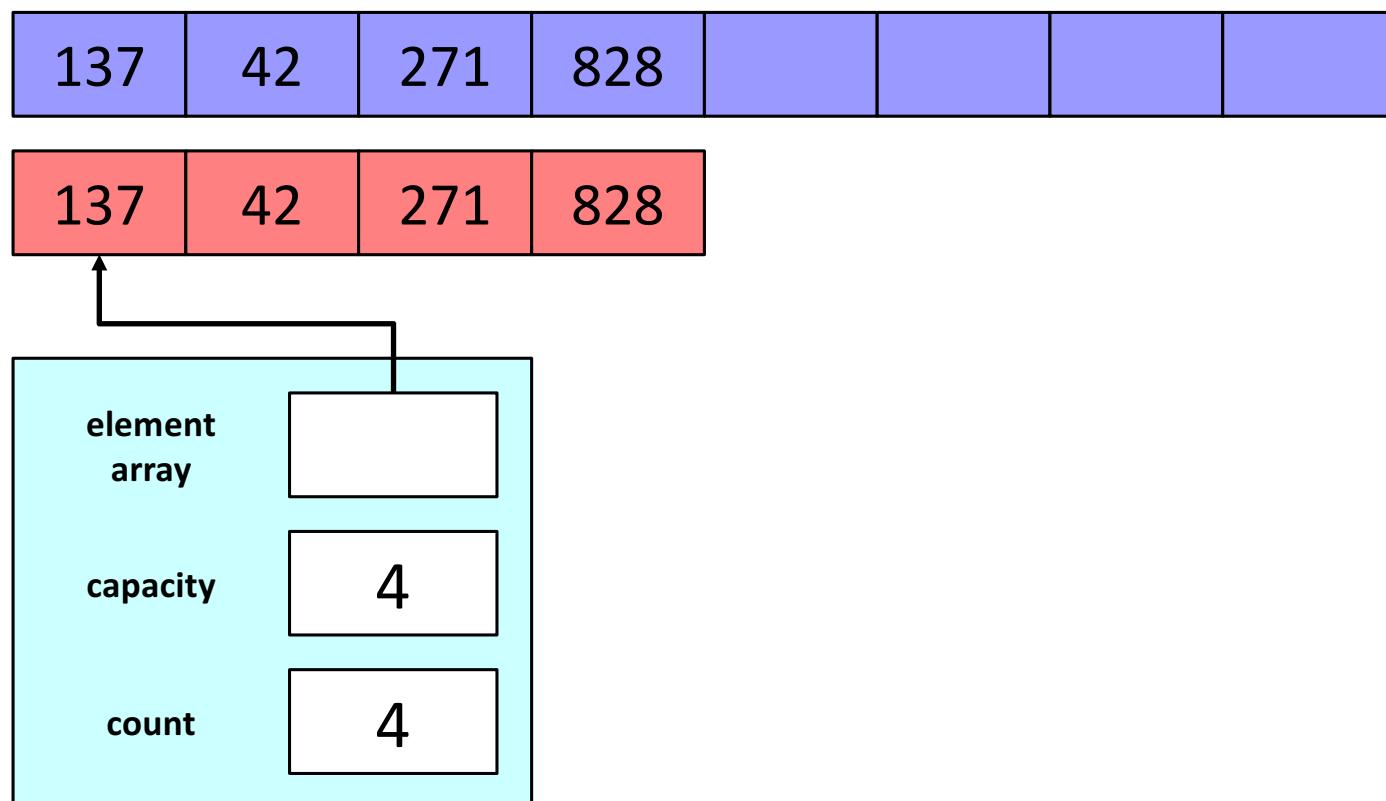
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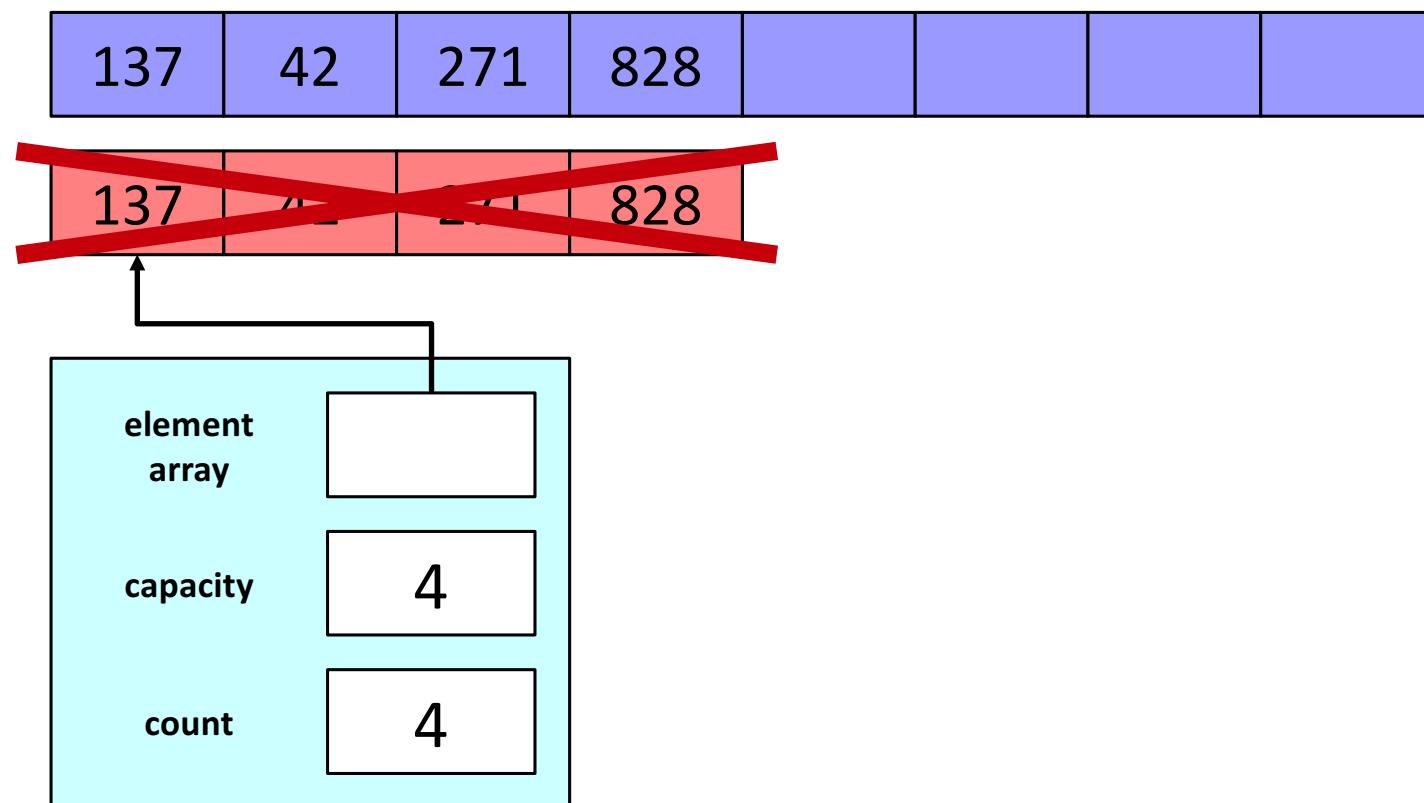
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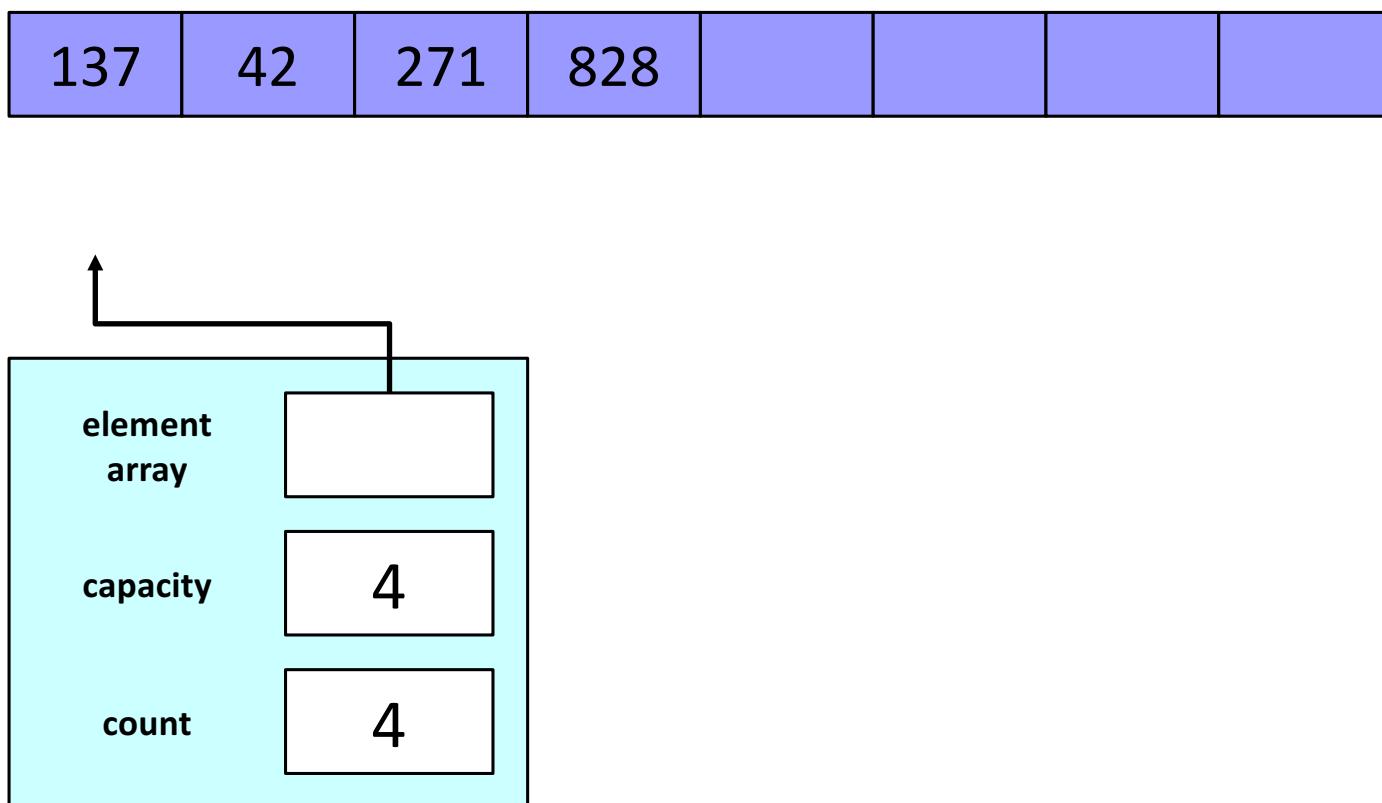
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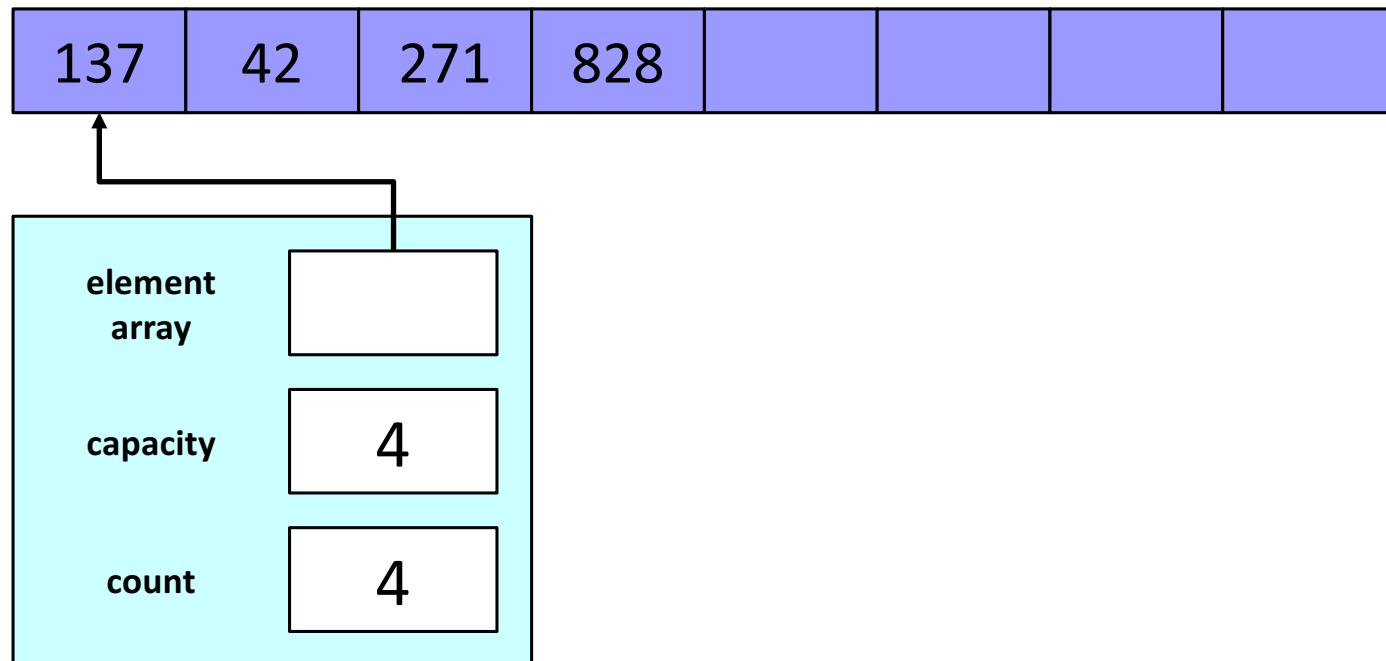
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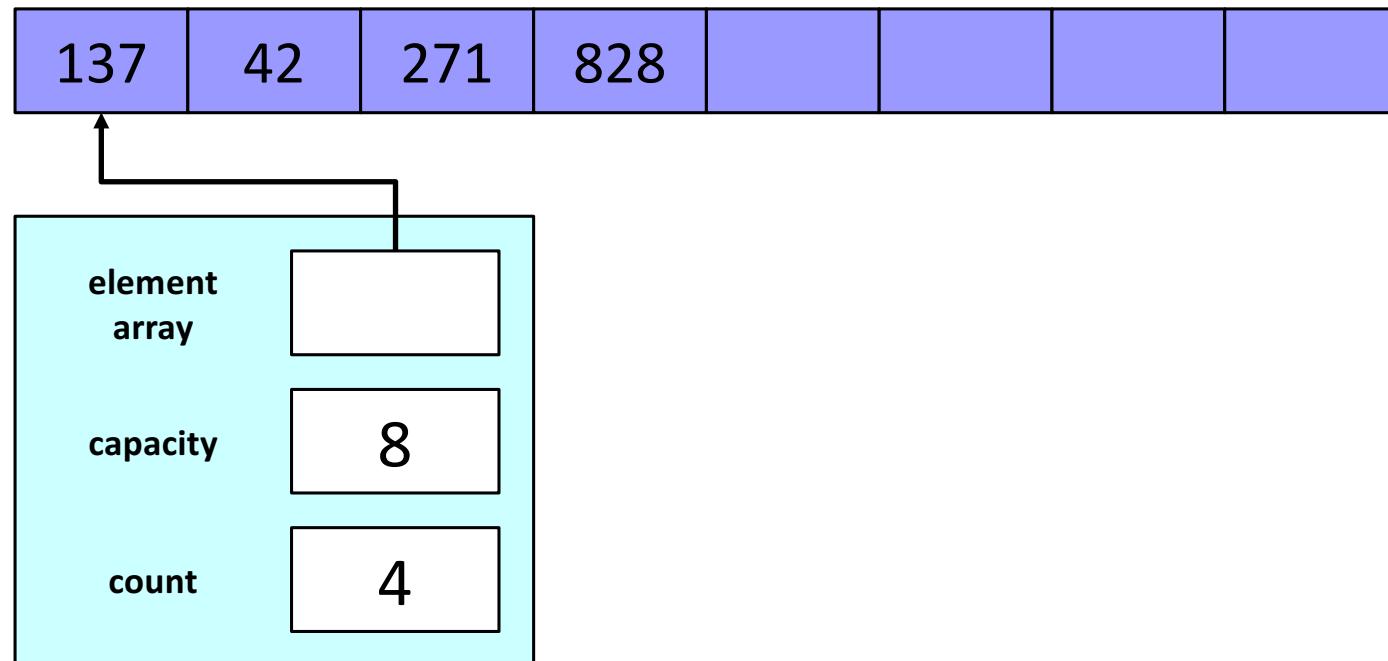
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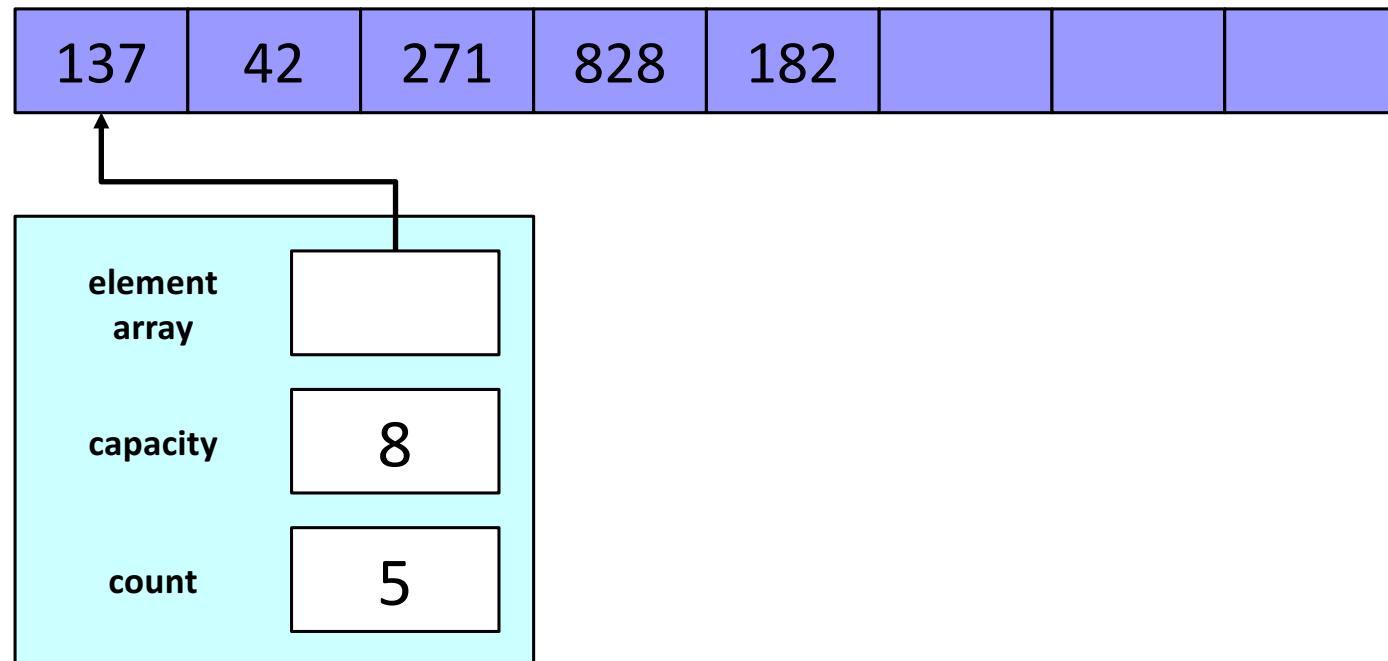
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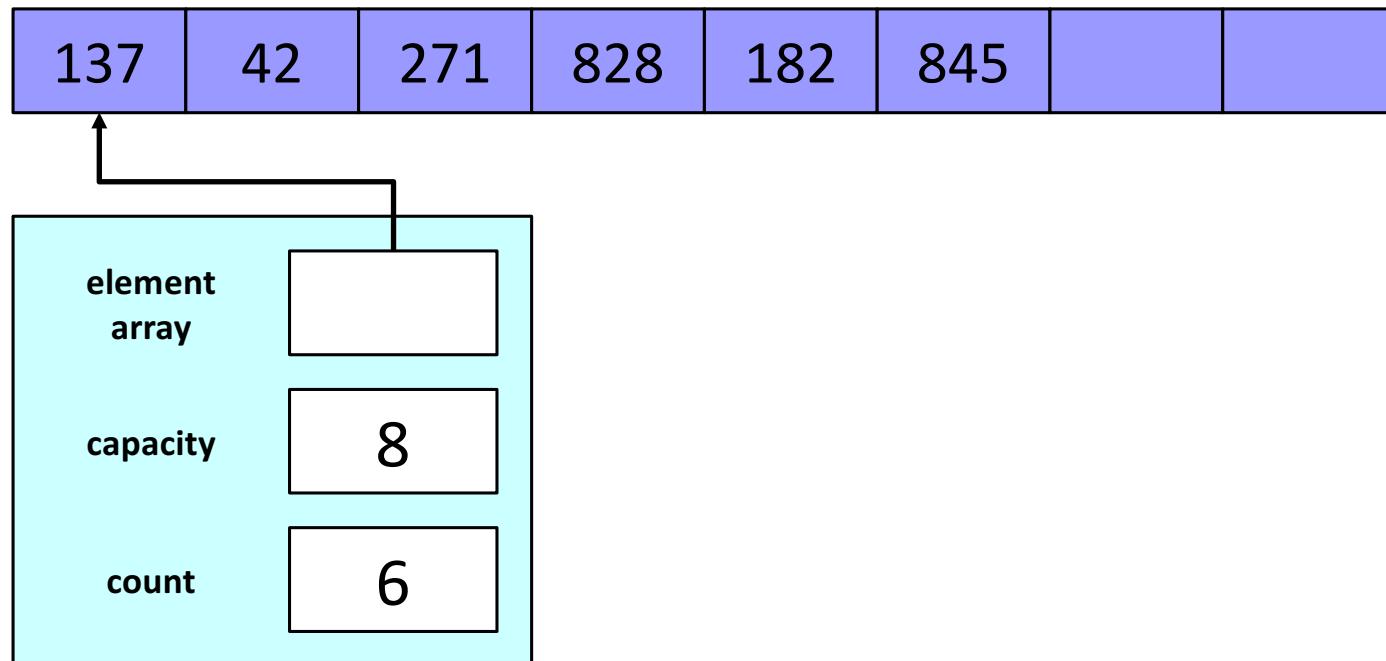
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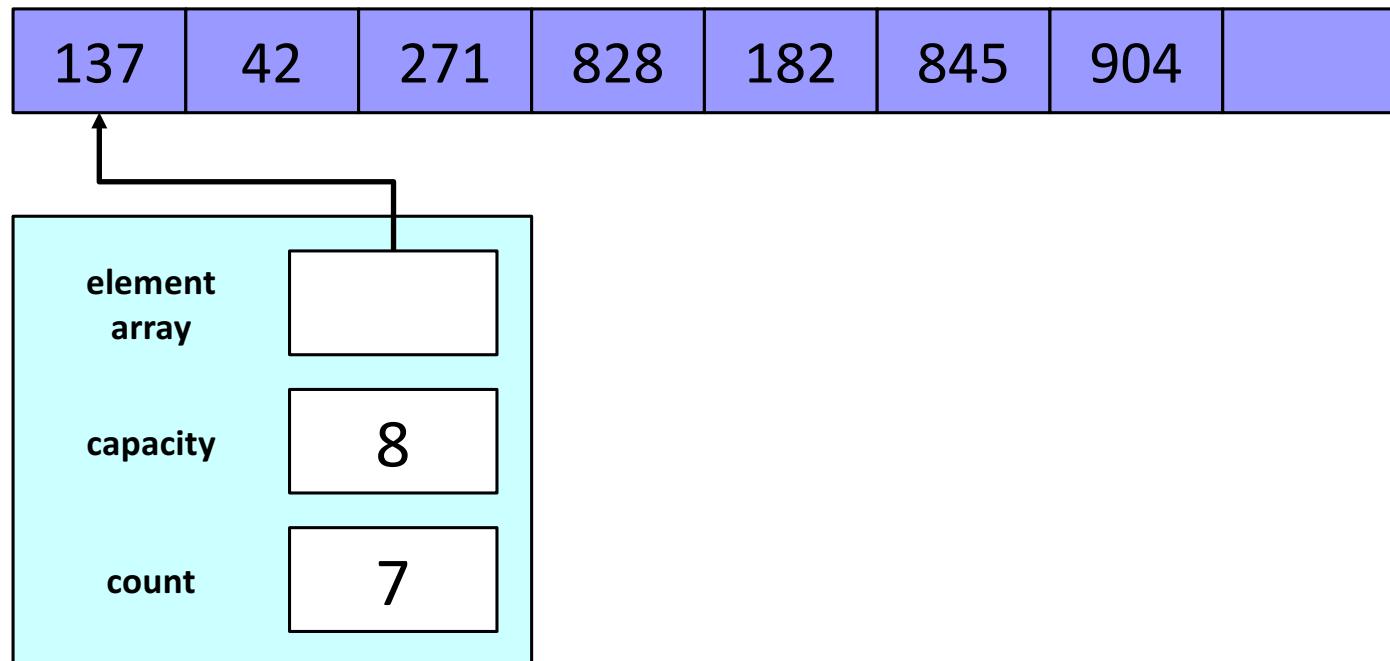
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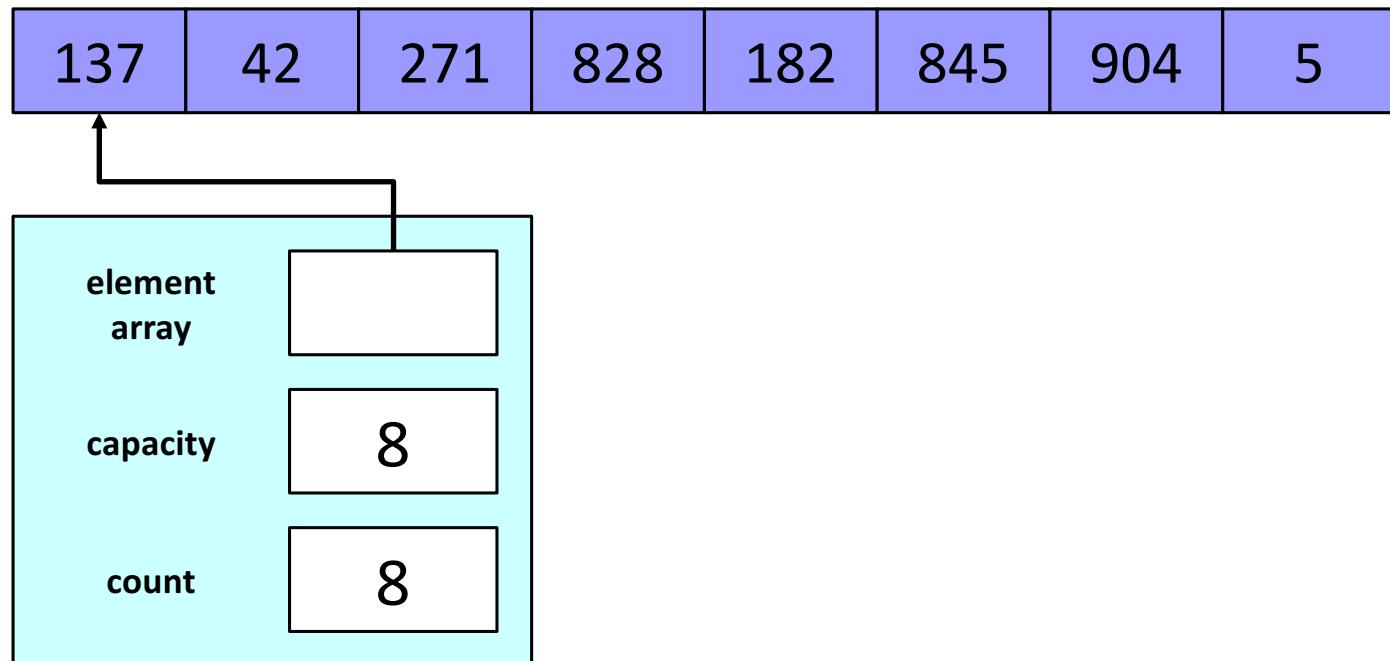
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Vector Big O?

# Big O of Get?

```
int VecInt::get(int index){  
    return data[index];  
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$O(1)$

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# Big O of Add?

$O(n)$

Remove?

# Big O of Remove?

```
void VecInt::remove(int index){  
    for(int i = index; i < count - 1; i++) {  
        elements[i] = elements[i + 1];  
    }  
    count--;  
}
```

# Big O of Remove?

$O(n)$

# Vector Big O Summary

	Worst	Average
Get	$\mathcal{O}(1)$	$\mathcal{O}(1)$
Add	$\mathcal{O}(n)$	$\mathcal{O}(1)$
Remove	$\mathcal{O}(n)$	$\mathcal{O}(n)$

**END OF  
FLASHBACK**



# Your job: Architect of Queue



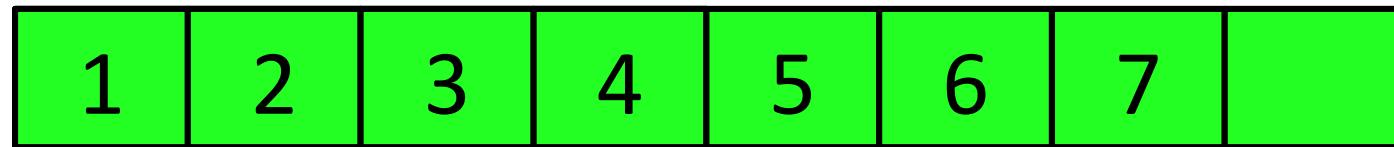
# Easiest solution...

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class QueueInt {           // in QueueInt.h
public:
    QueueInt ();          // constructor

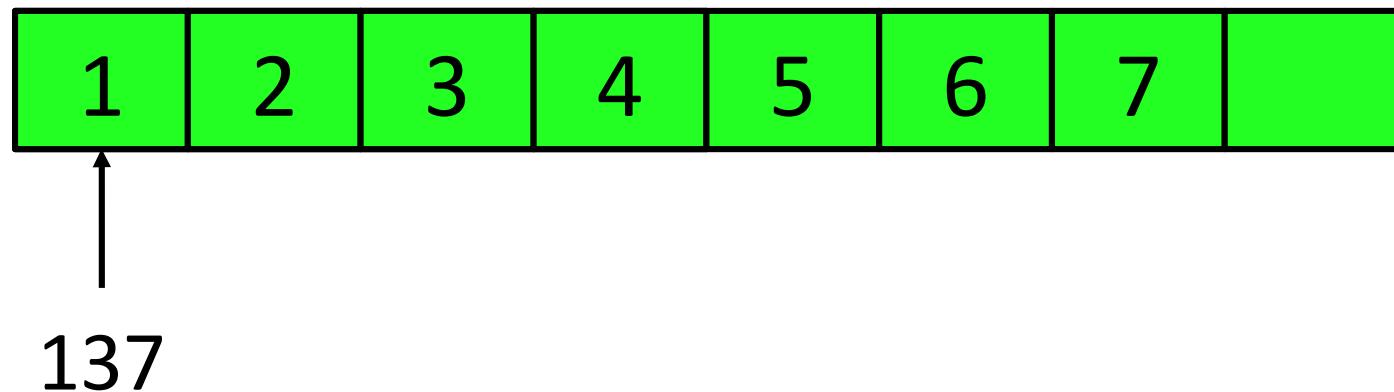
    void enqueue(int value); // append a value
    int dequeue();          // return the first-in value

private:
    VectorInt data;        // member variables
};
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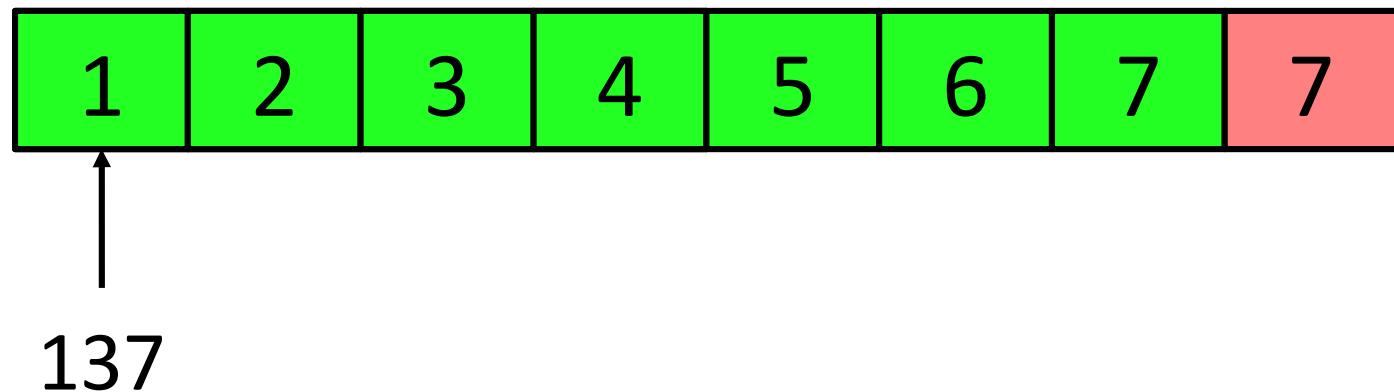
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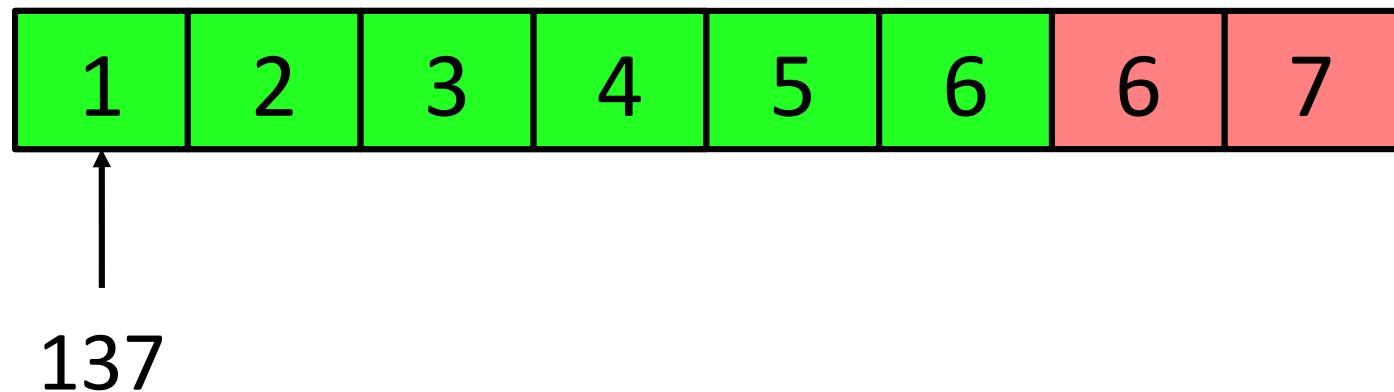
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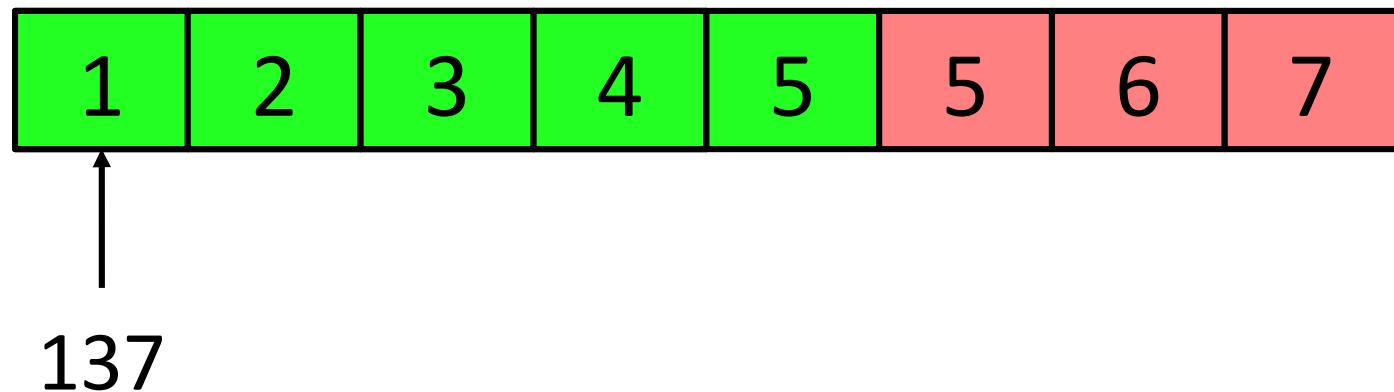
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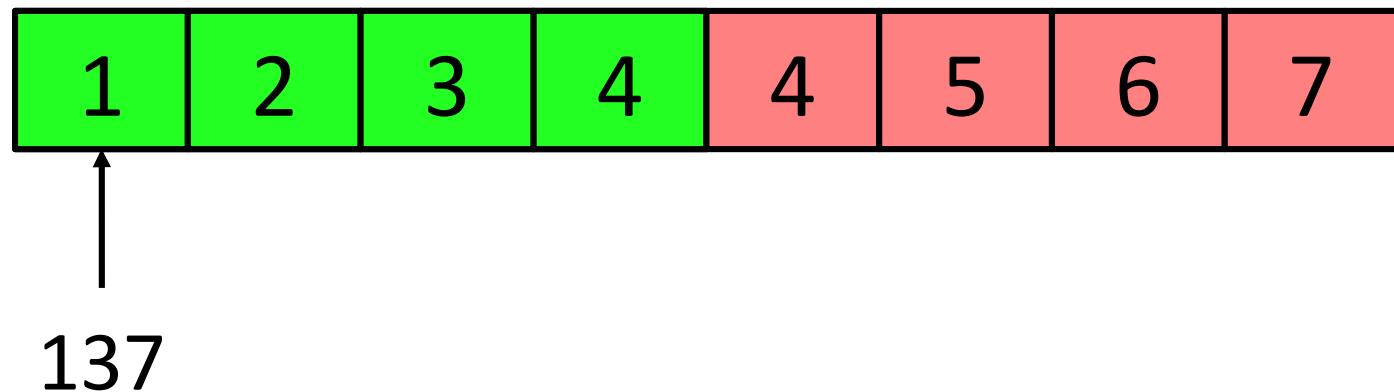
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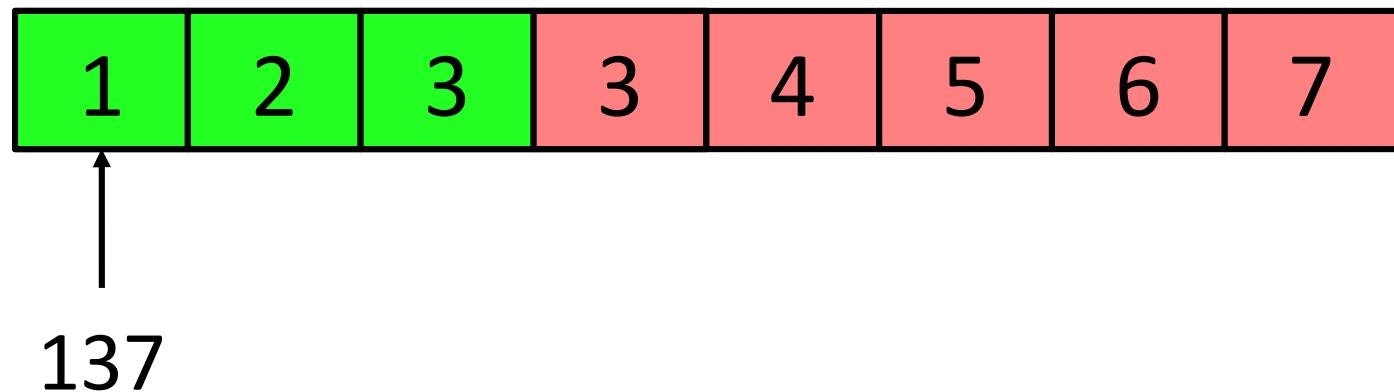
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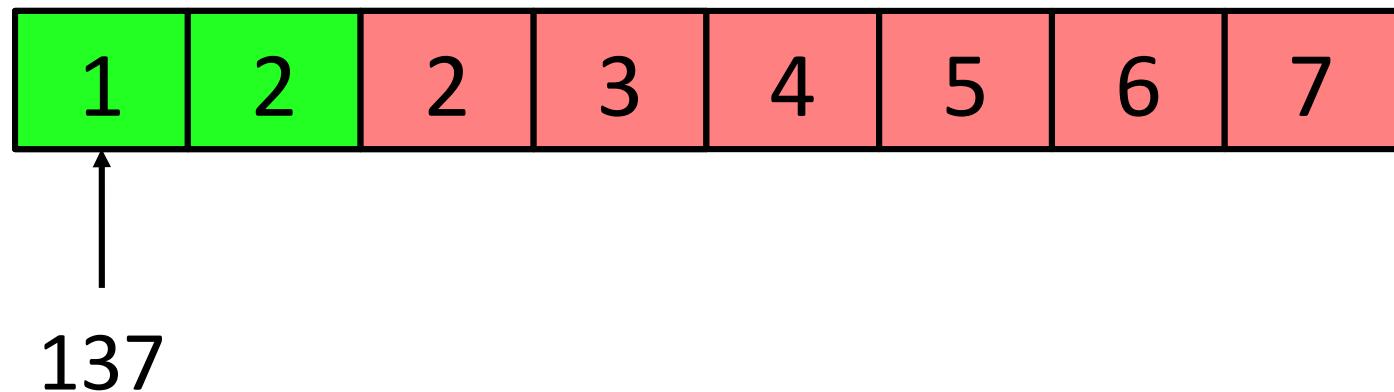
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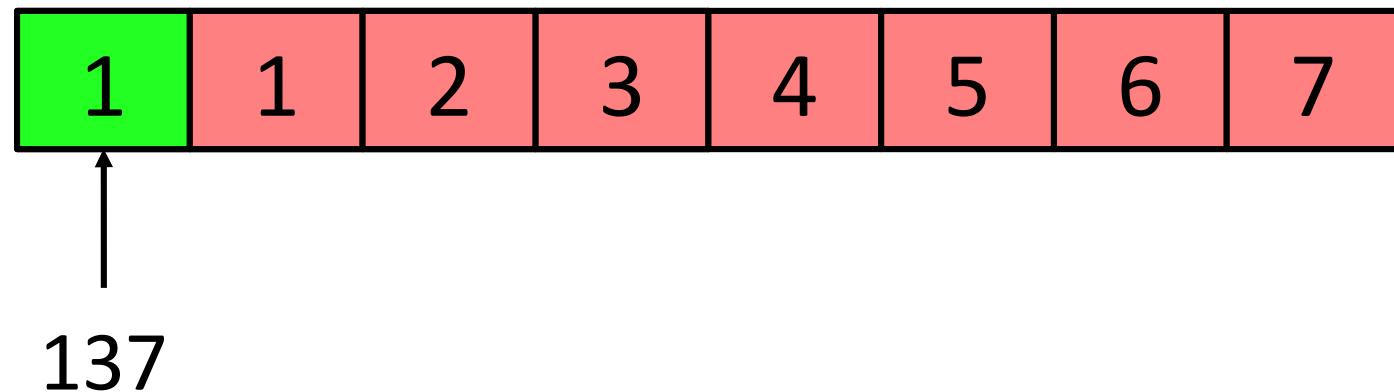
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# Queue as Vector: Big O

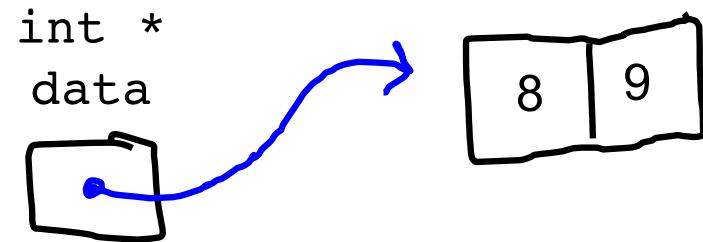
Enqueue  $\mathcal{O}(n)$

Dequeue  $\mathcal{O}(1)$

There's always a better way

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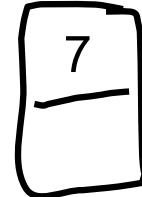
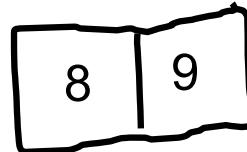
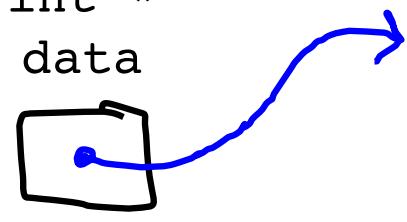
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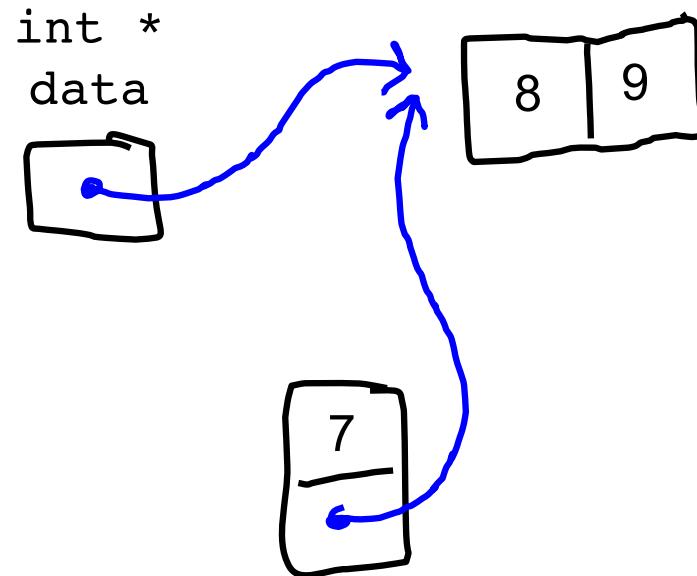
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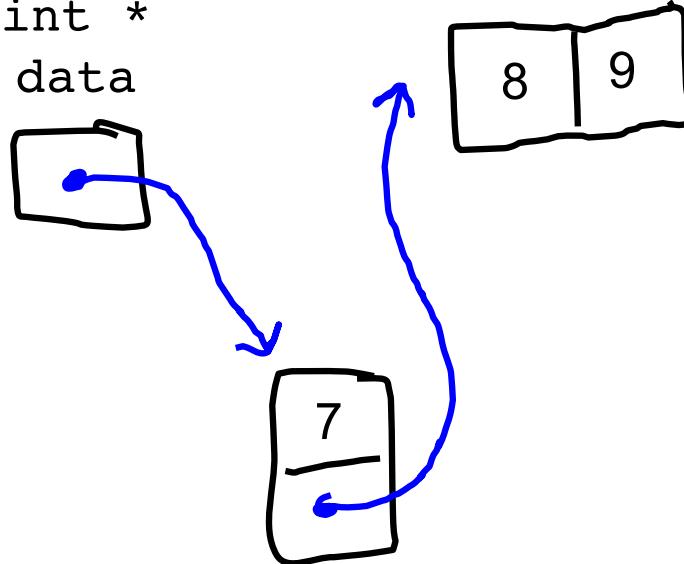
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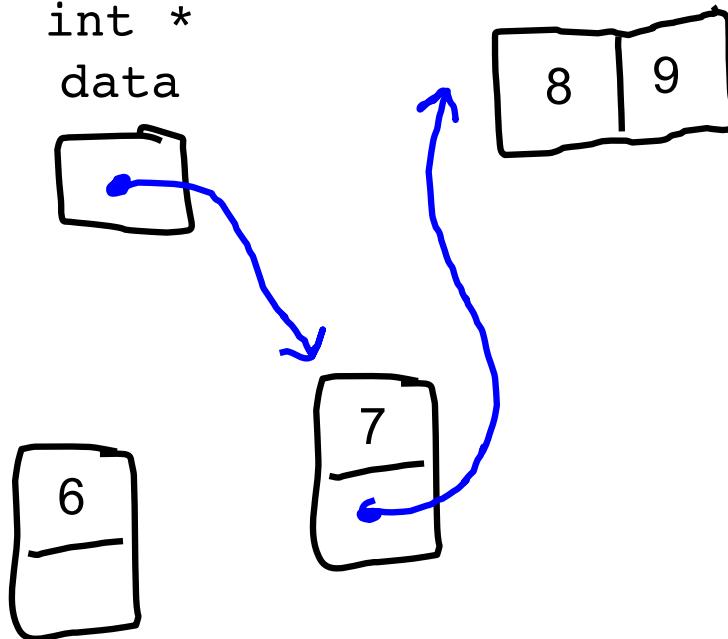
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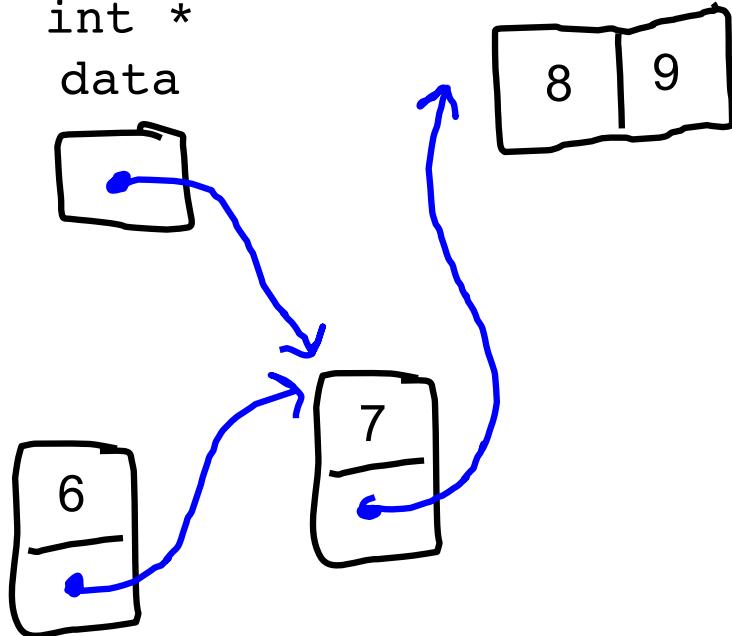
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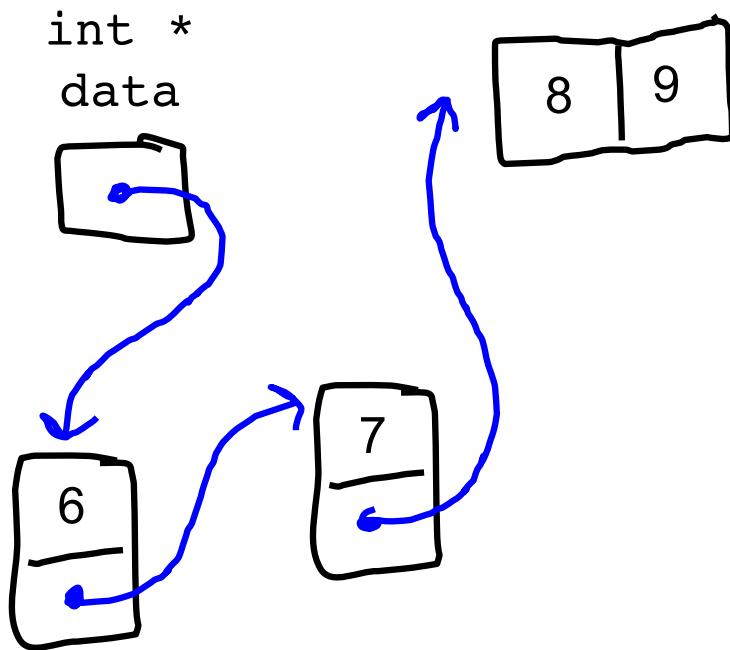
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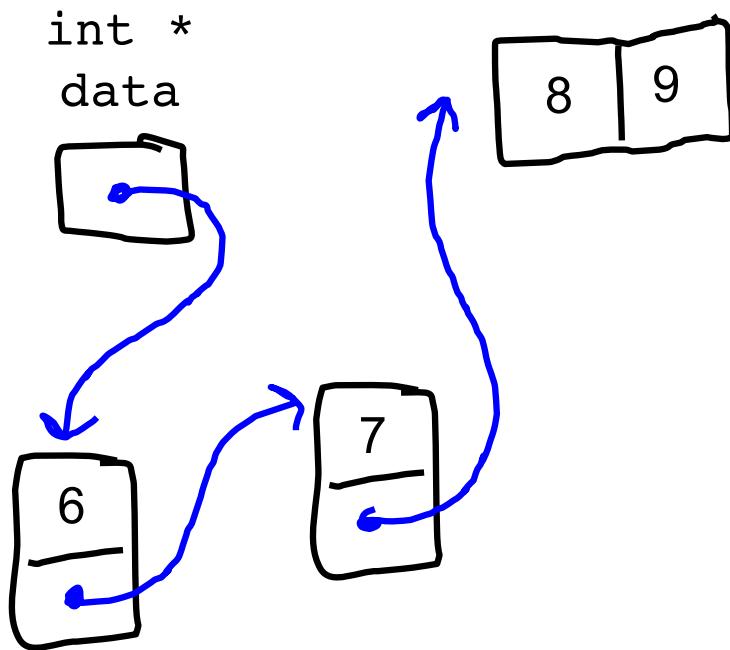


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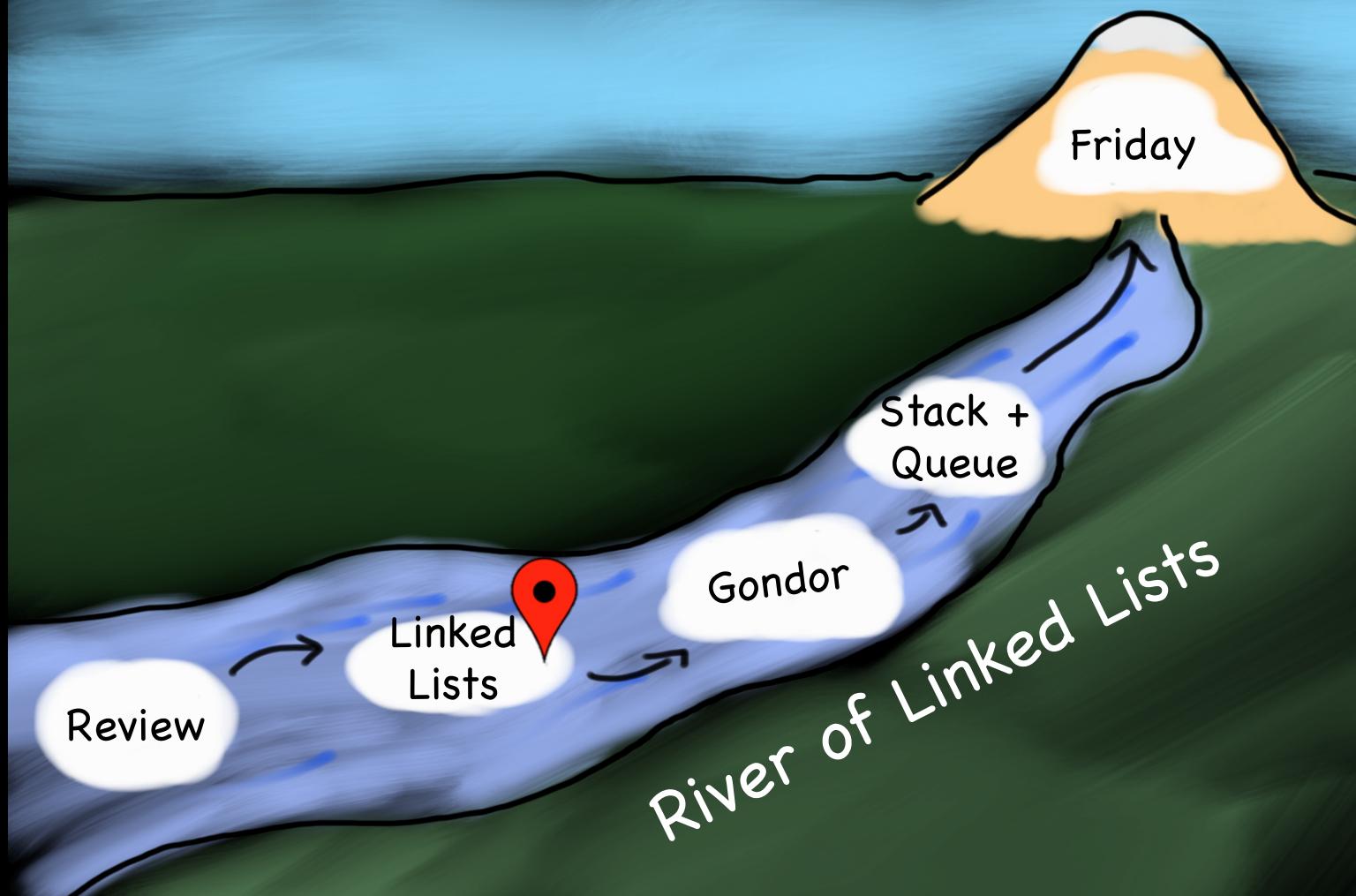
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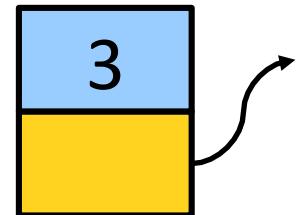


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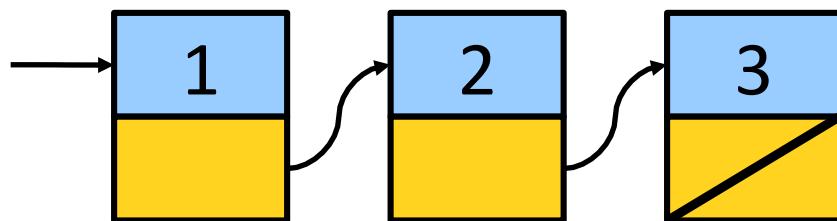
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- A linked list is a chain of **nodes**.
- Each node contains two pieces of information:
  - Some piece of data that is stored in the sequence
  - A **link** to the next node in the list.
- We can traverse the list by starting at the first cell and repeatedly following its link.



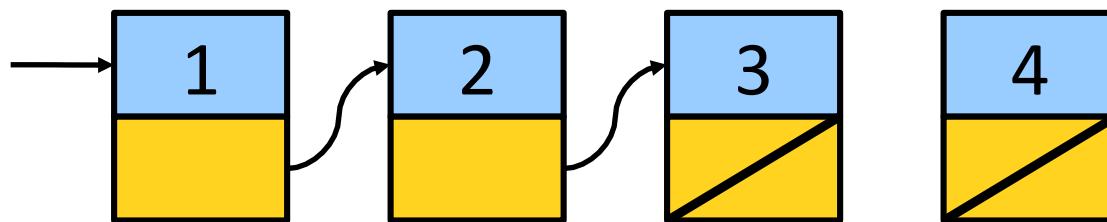
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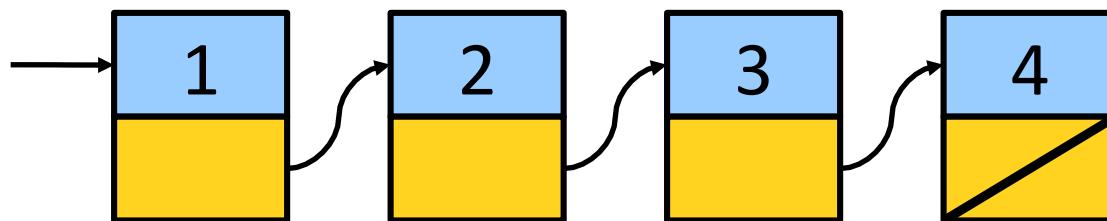
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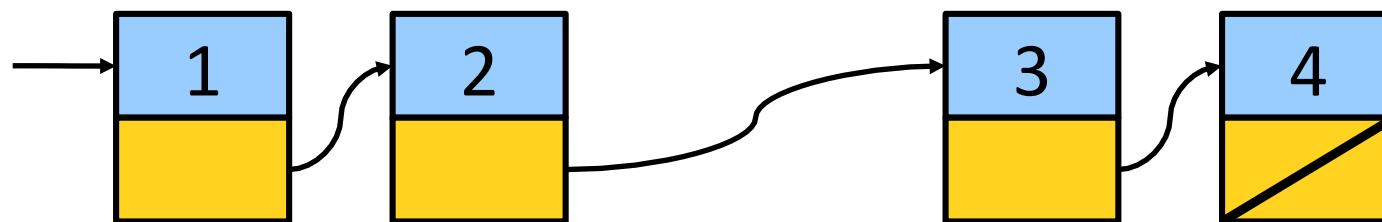
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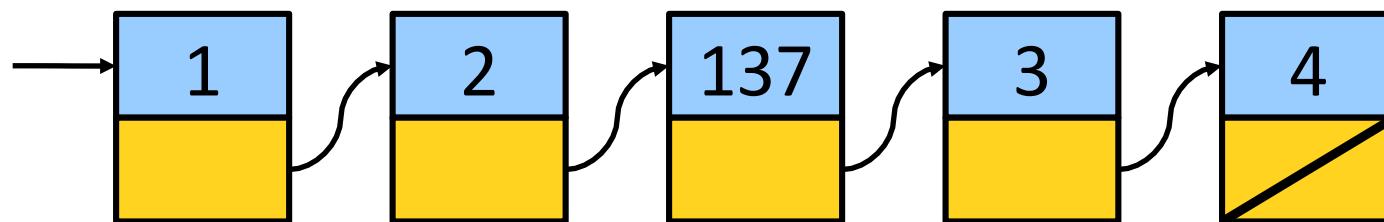
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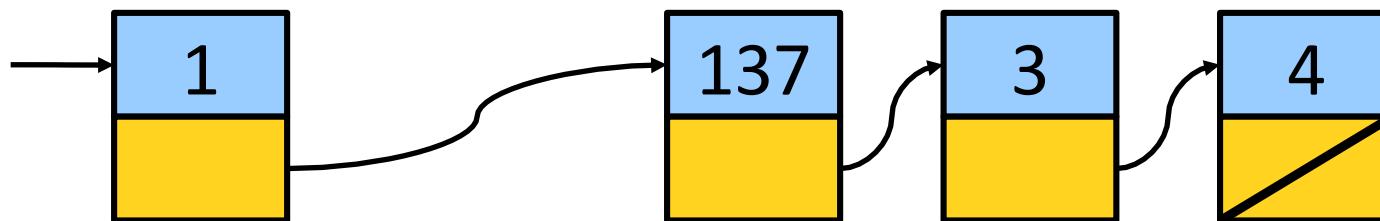
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# Why Linked Lists?

- Can efficiently splice new elements into the list or remove existing elements anywhere in the list.
- Never have to do a massive copy step;
- Has some tradeoffs; we'll see this later.

# Linked List Structure

- For simplicity, let's assume we're building a linked list of **strings**.
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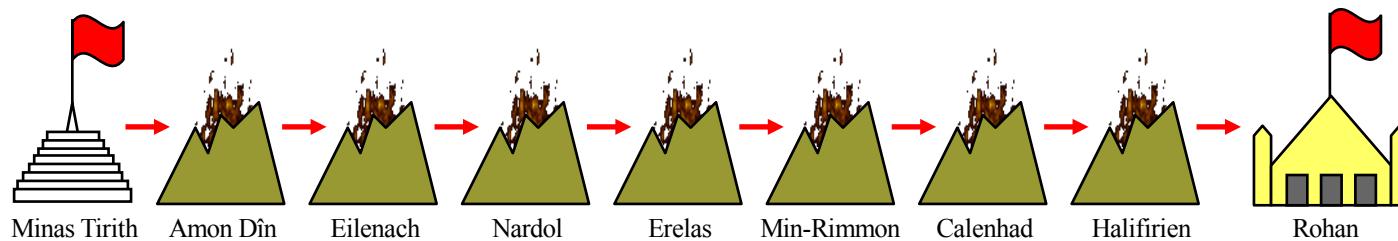
- **The structure is defined recursively!**

# First Rule of Linked List Club

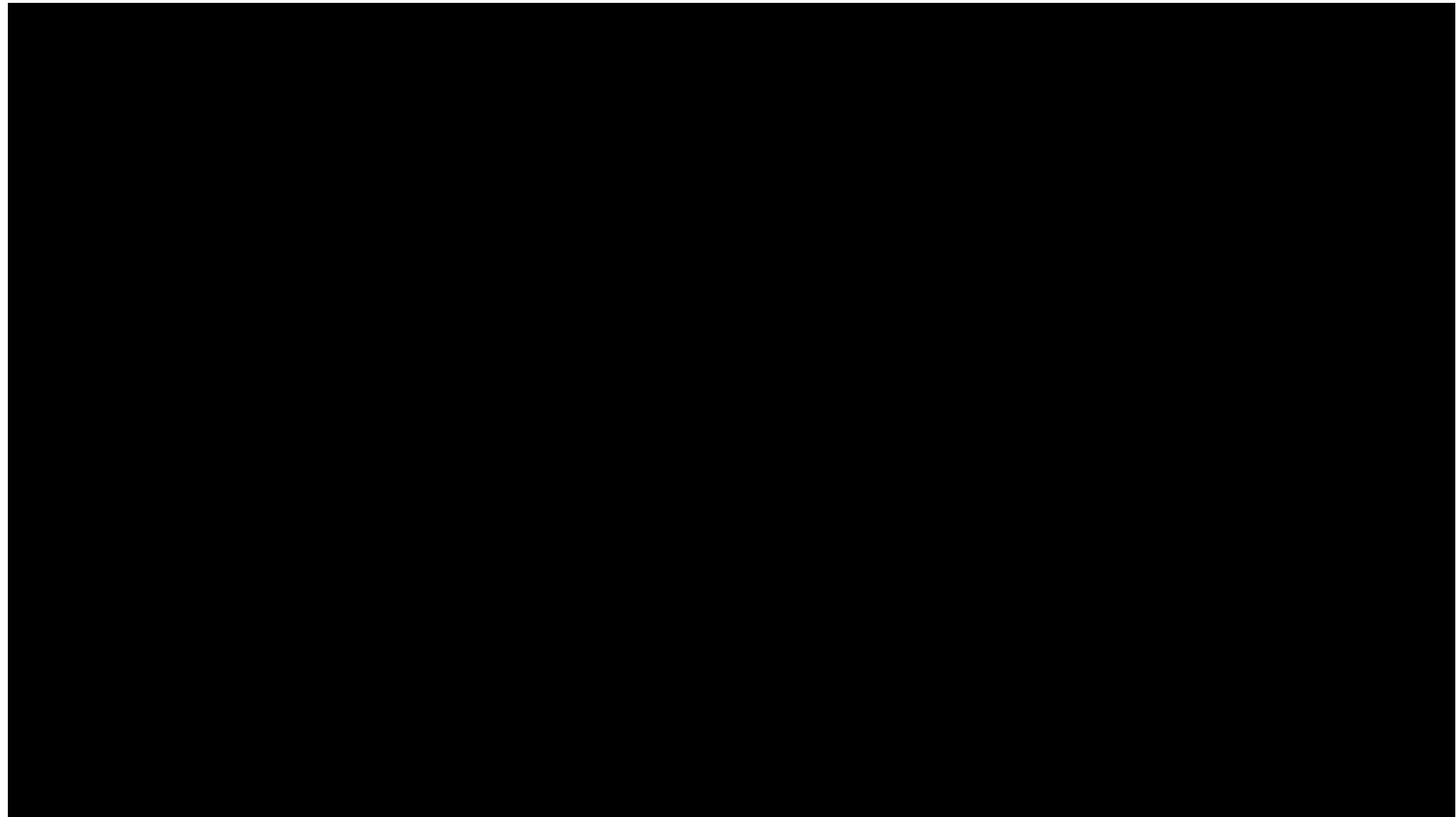
Draw a picture

# Lord of the Linked Lists

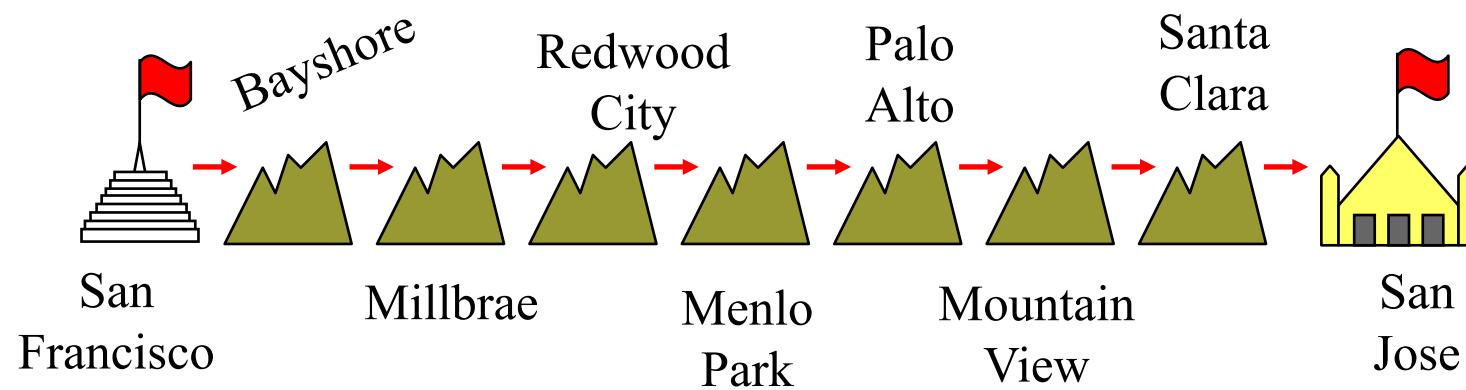
In a scene that was brilliantly captured in Peter Jackson's film adaptation of *The Return of the King*, Rohan is alerted to the danger to Gondor by a succession of signal fires moving from mountain top to mountain top. This scene is a perfect illustration of the idea of message passing in a linked list.







Step 1: Make this linked list



Step 2: Light the fires....

**Lighting the fire of San Francisco!**

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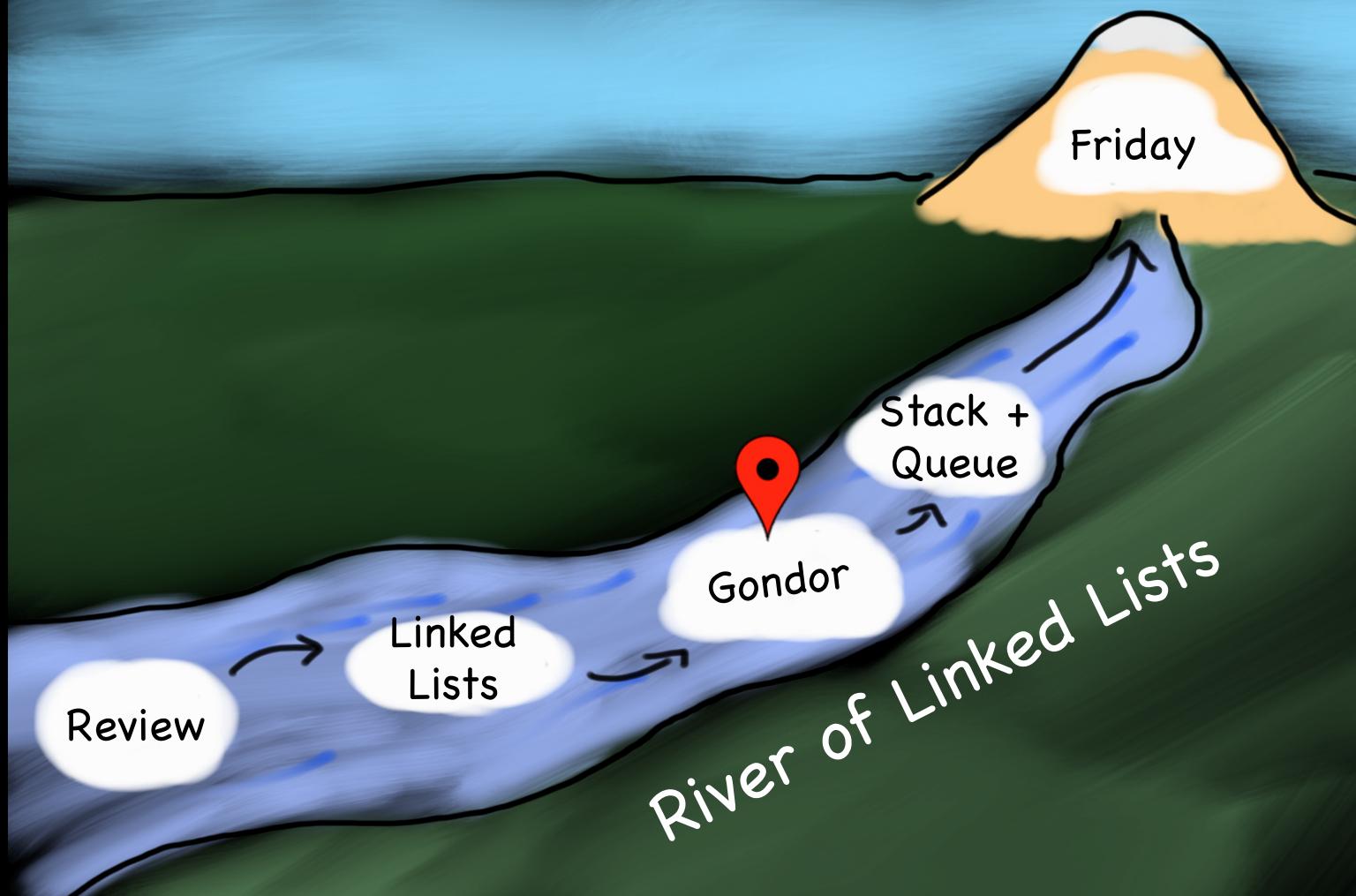
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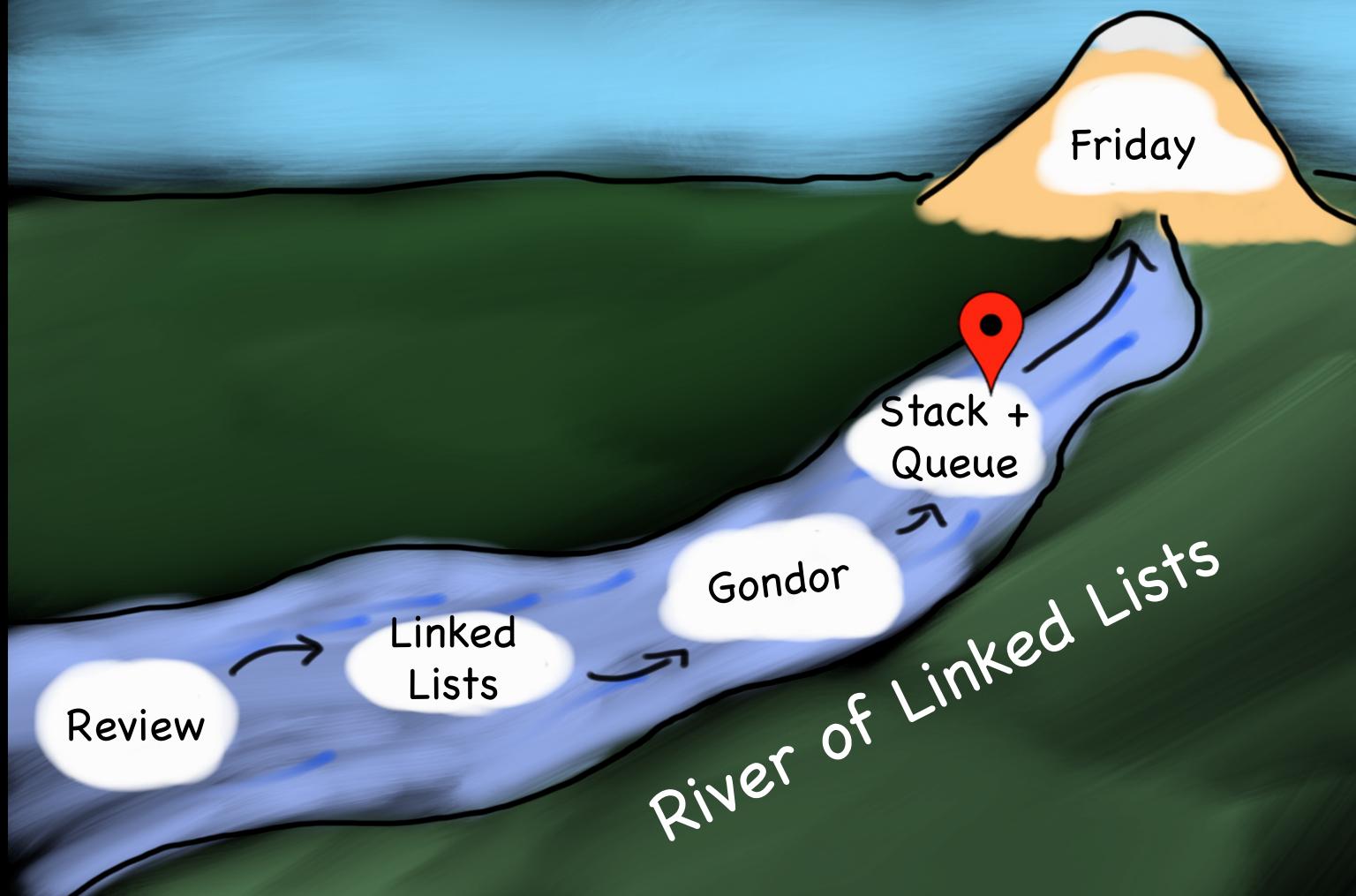
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void signal(Tower *start) {
    if (start != NULL) {
        cout << "Lighting " << start->name << endl;
        signal(start->link);
    }
}
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signal(head);
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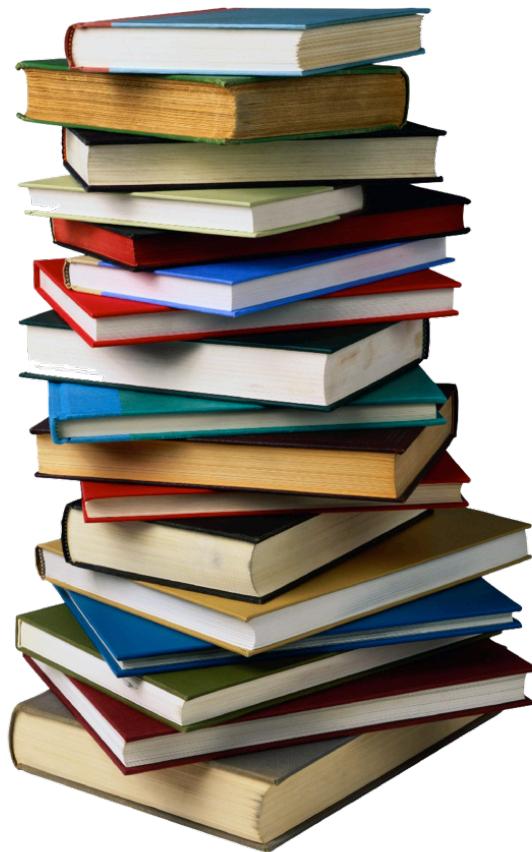
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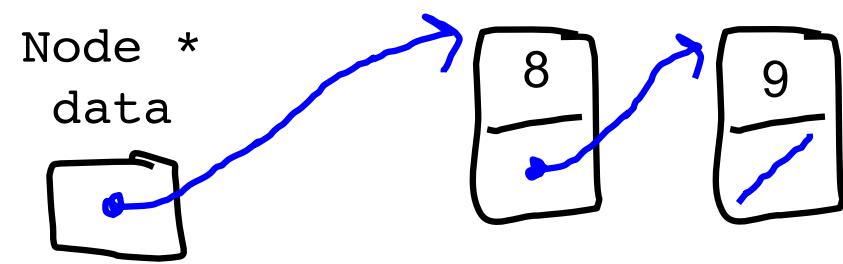
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# How is the Stack Implemented?



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struct Node{
    int value;      /* The value of this elem      */
    Node *link;     /* Pointer to the next node */
};
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# Stack

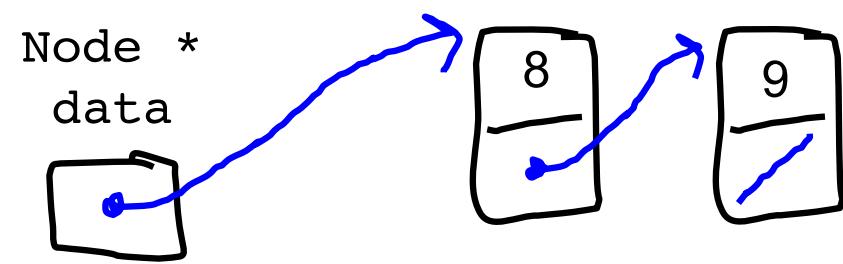
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class StackInt {          // in StackInt.h
public:
    StackInt ();           // constructor
    void push(int value); // append a value
    int pop();           // return the first-in value

private:
    struct Node {
        int value;
        Node * link;
    };
    Node * data;          // member variables
};
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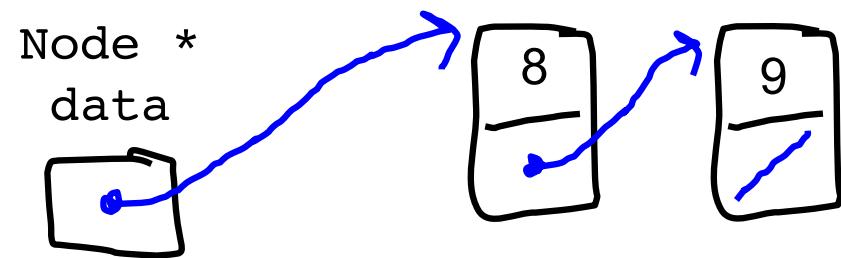
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    temp->link = data;
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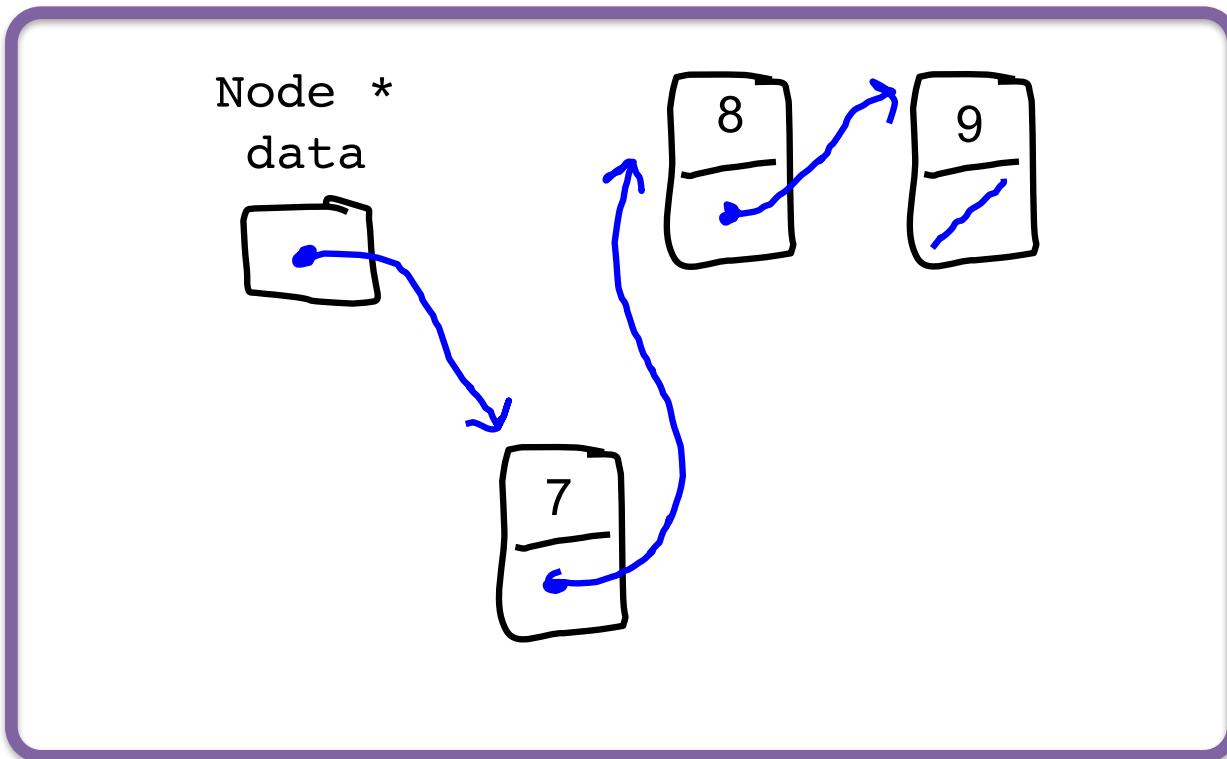
int StackInt::pop() {
    int toReturn = data->value;
    Node * temp = data;
    data = temp->link;
    delete data;
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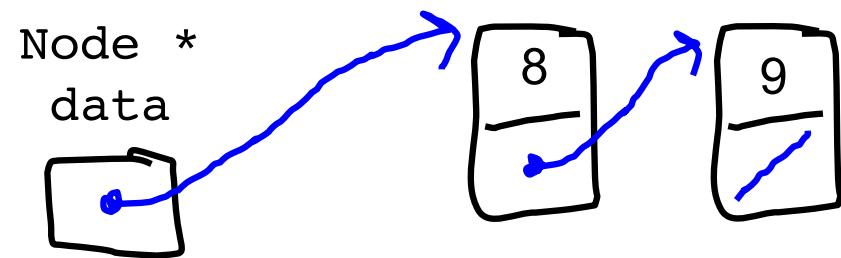
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# Goal of Push

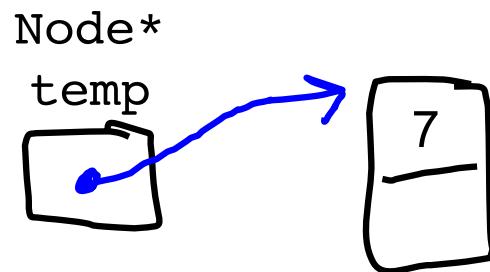
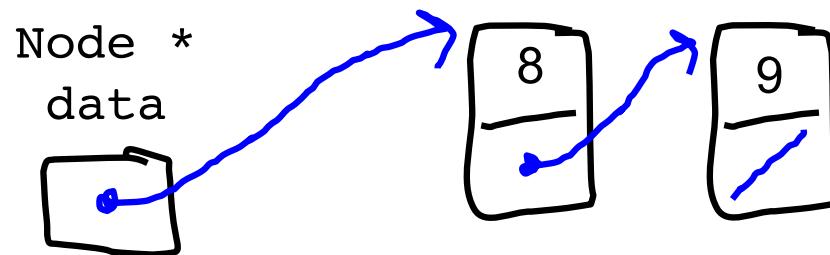


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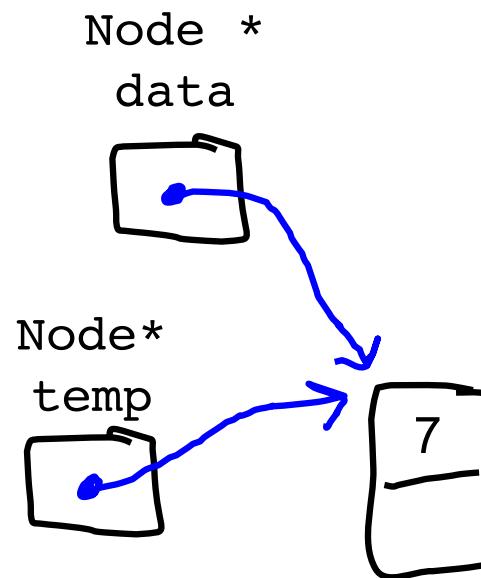
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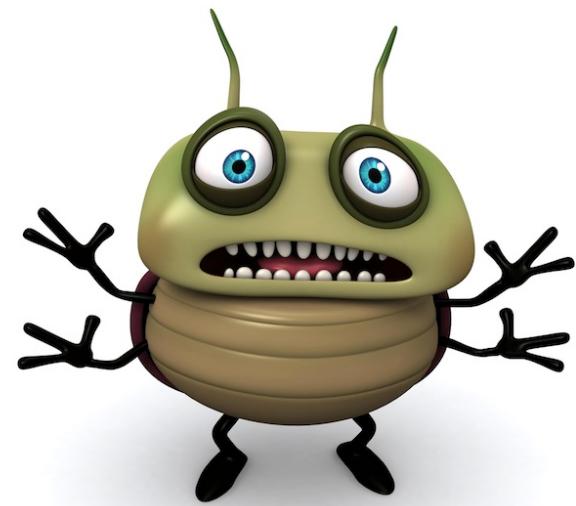
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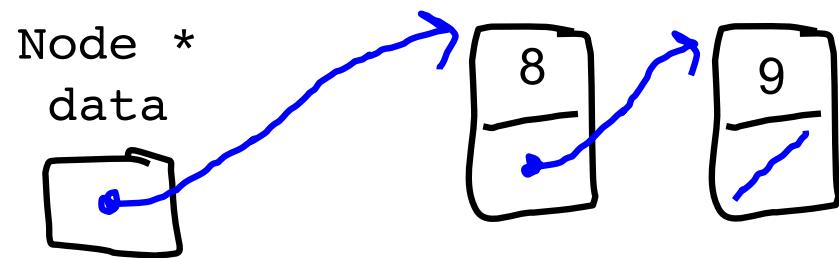


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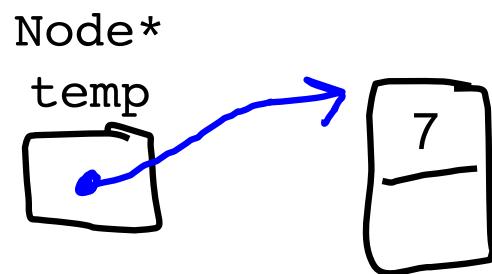
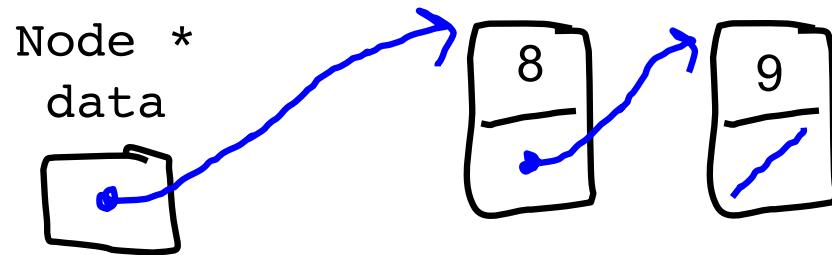


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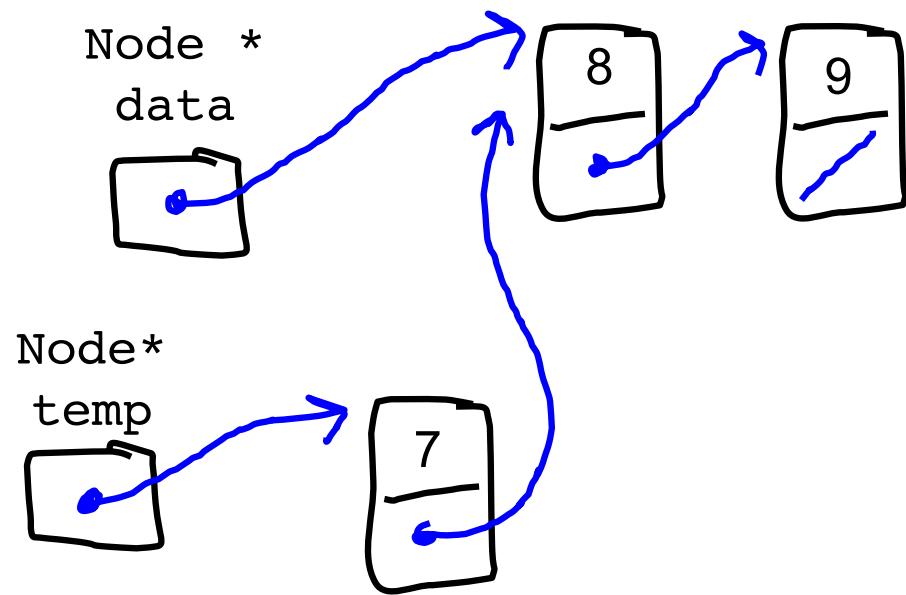


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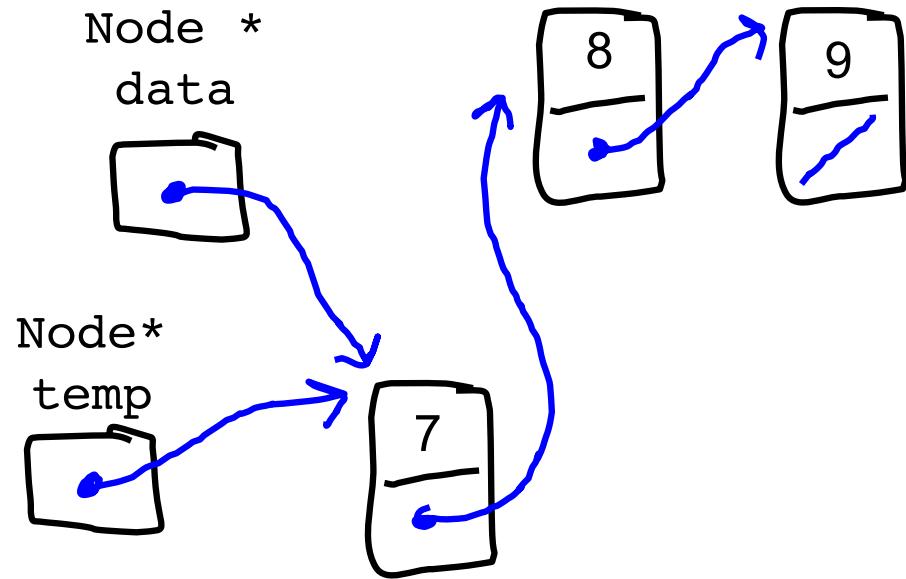
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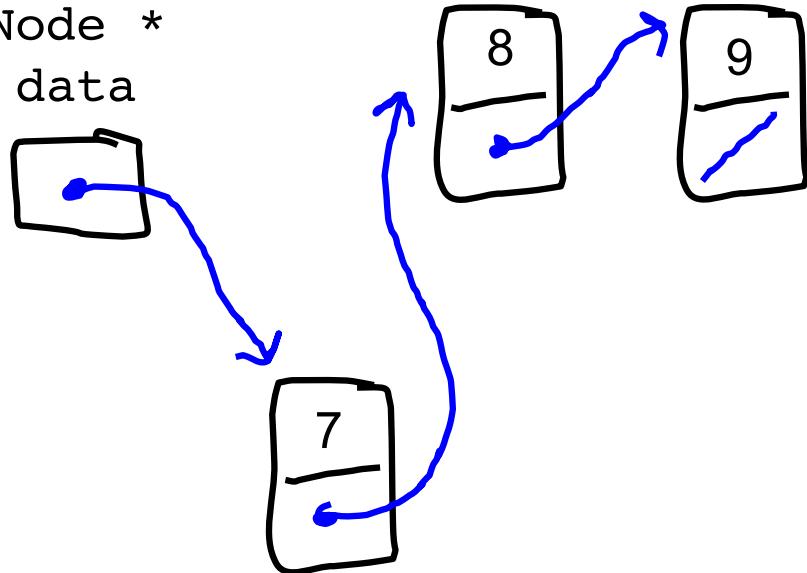
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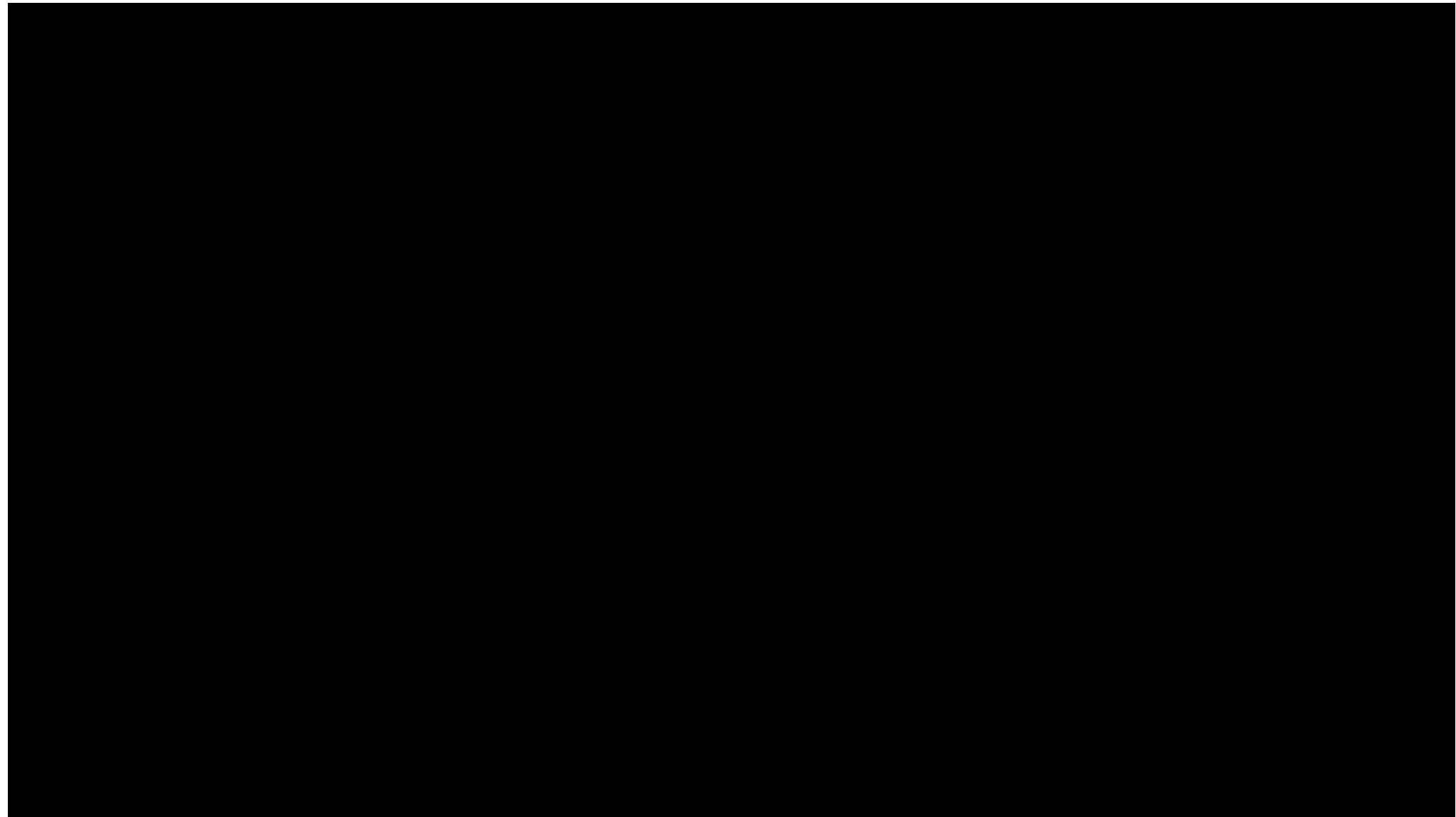
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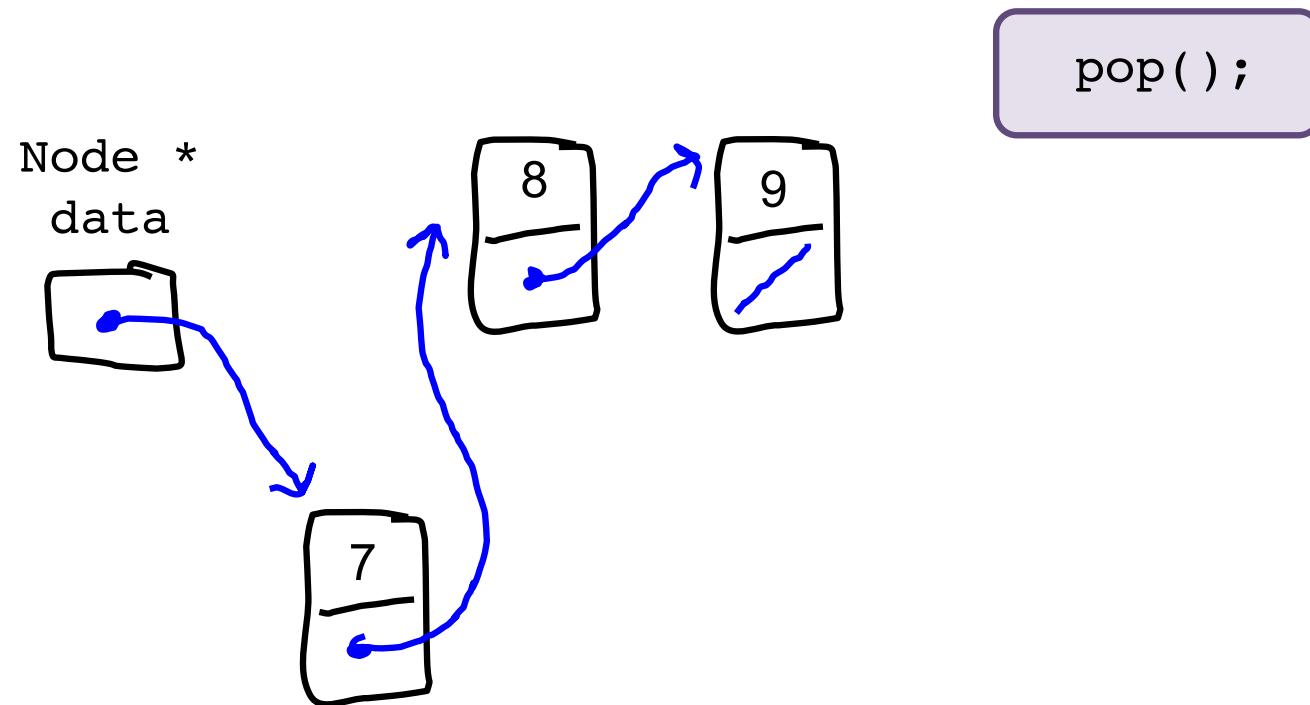
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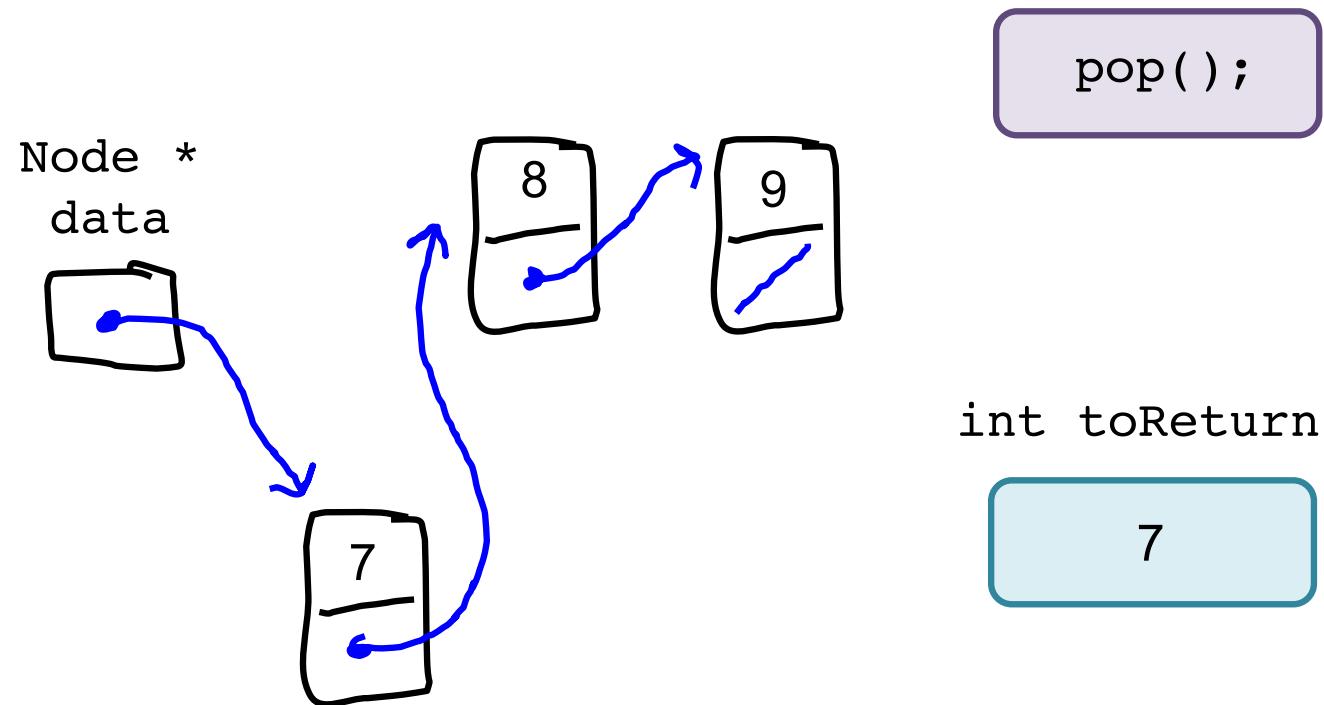
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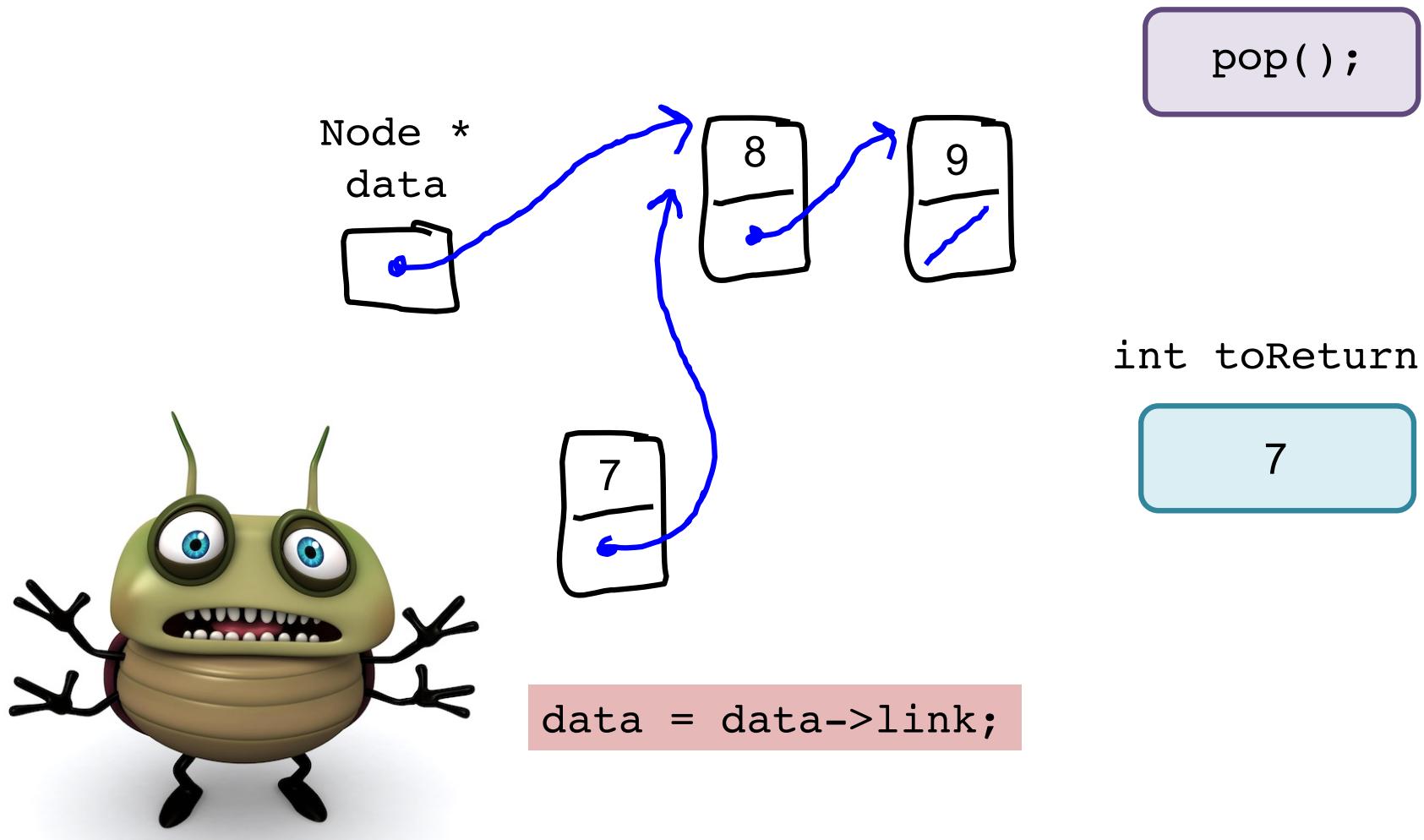


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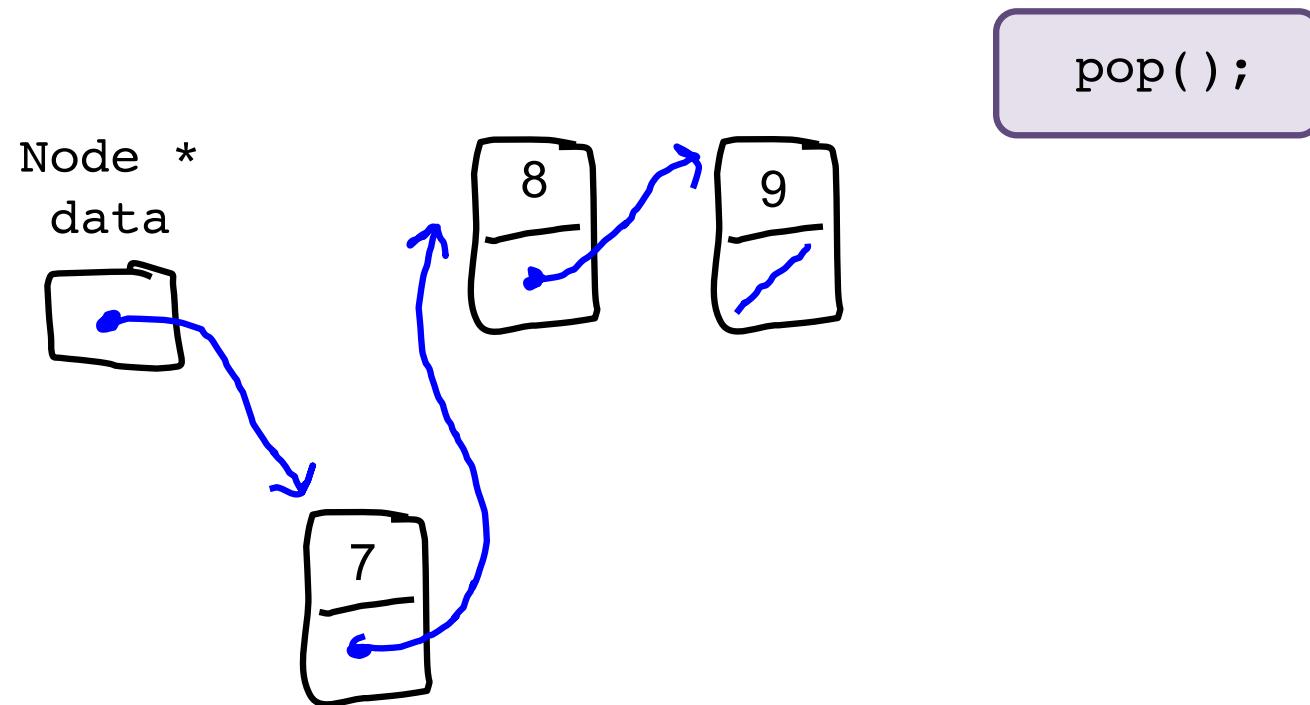
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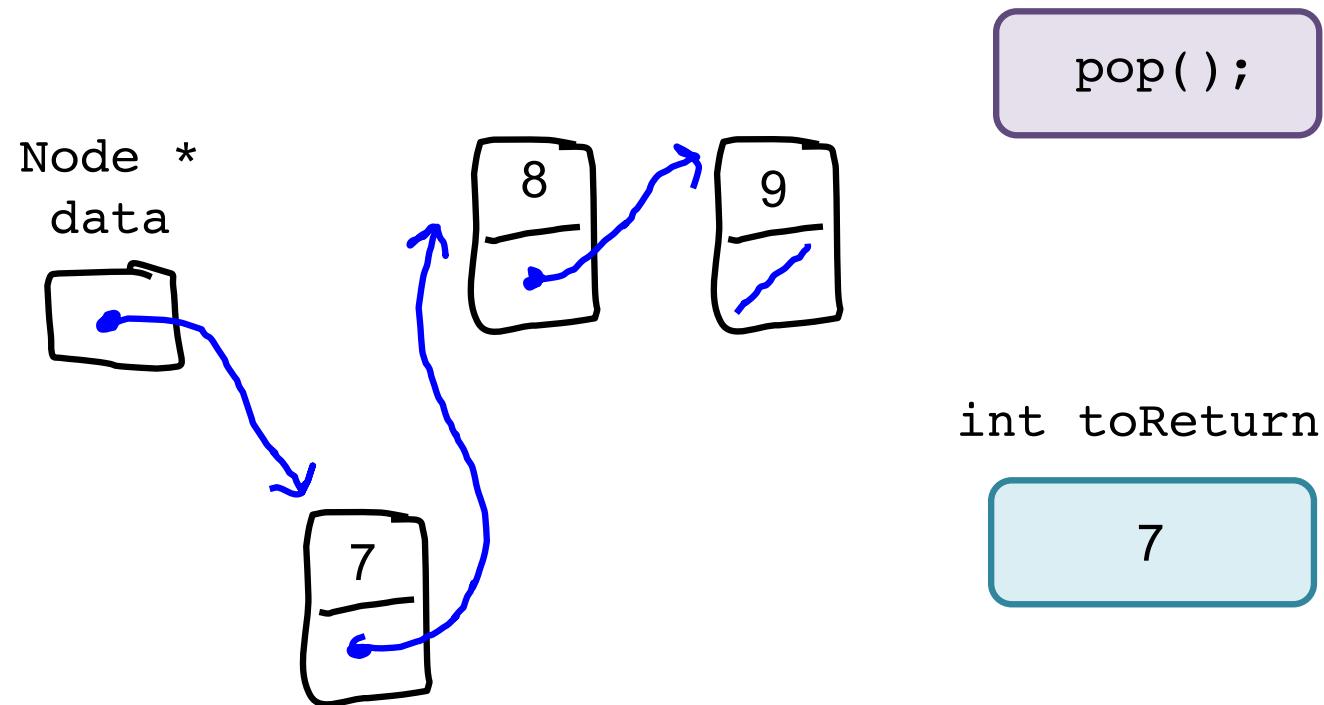


That didn't work. Let's try again...

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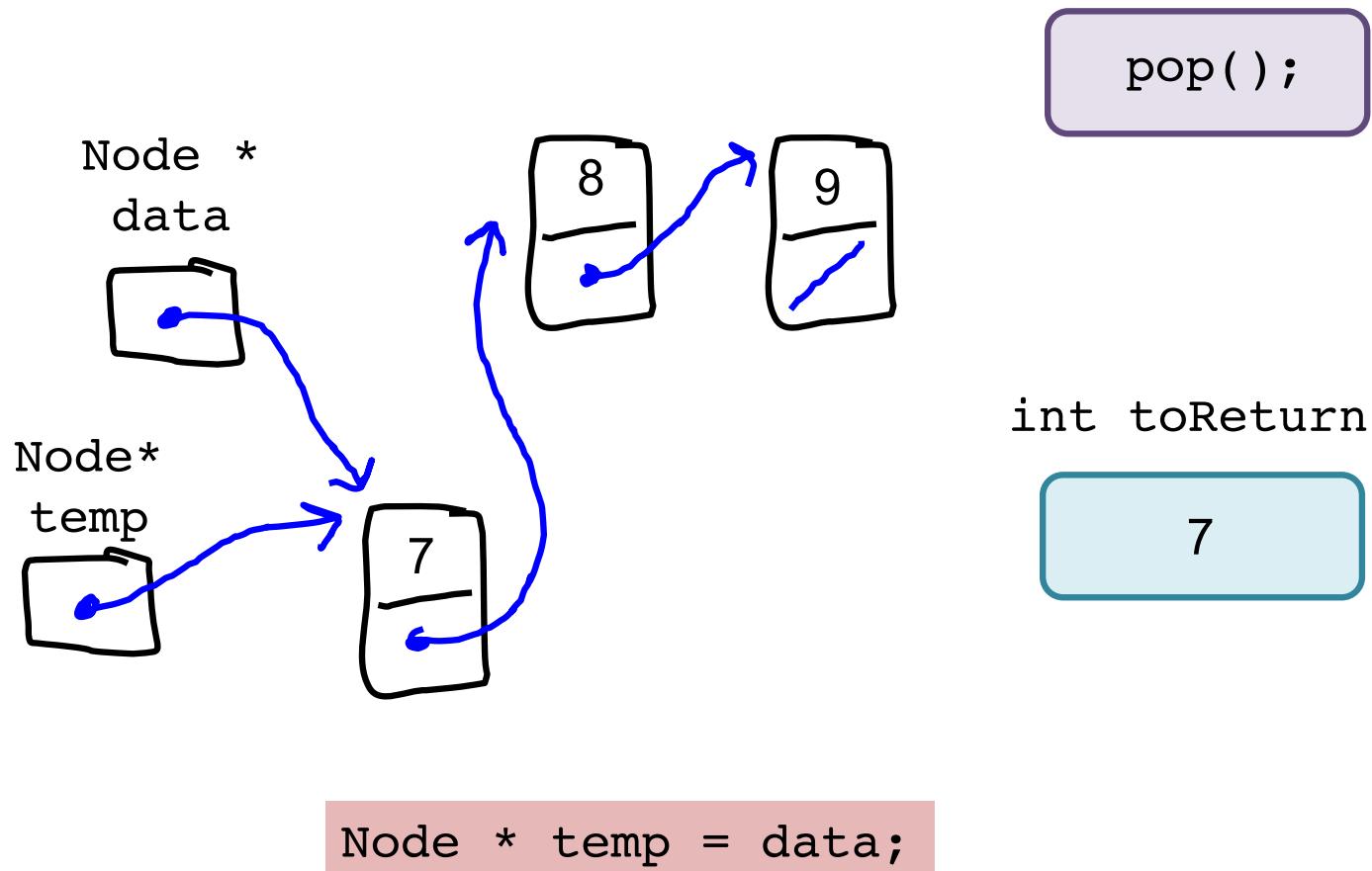


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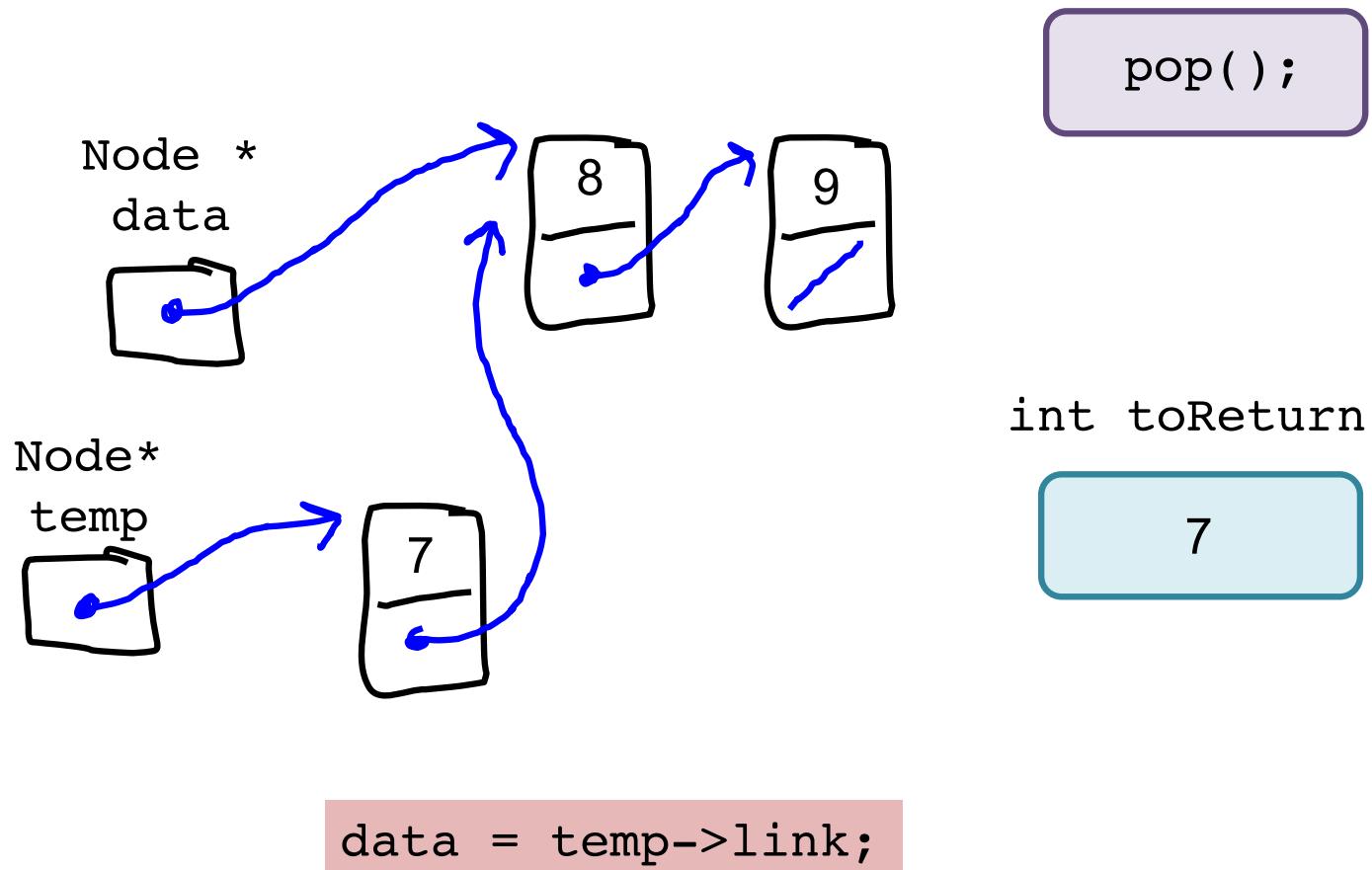


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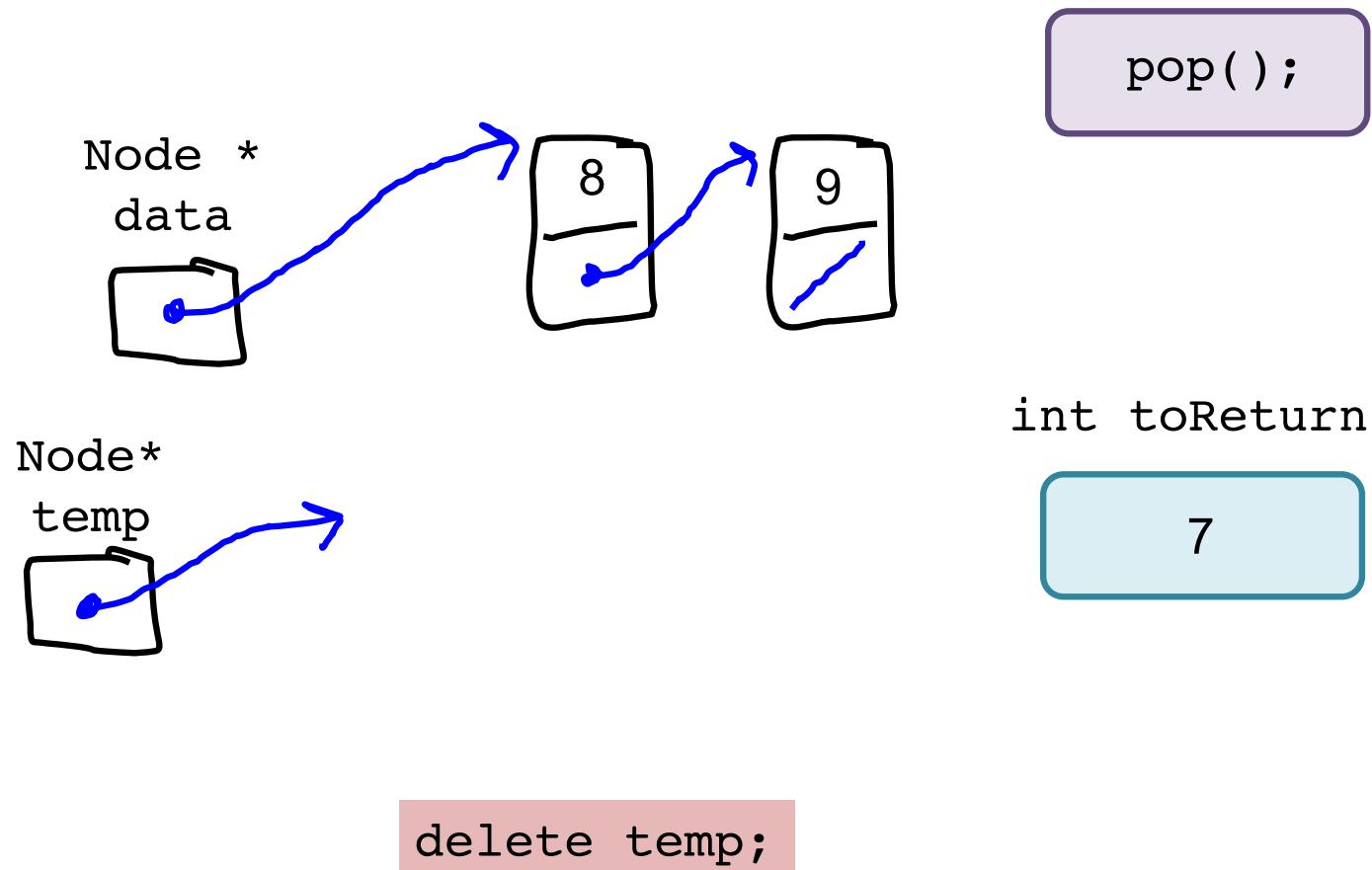
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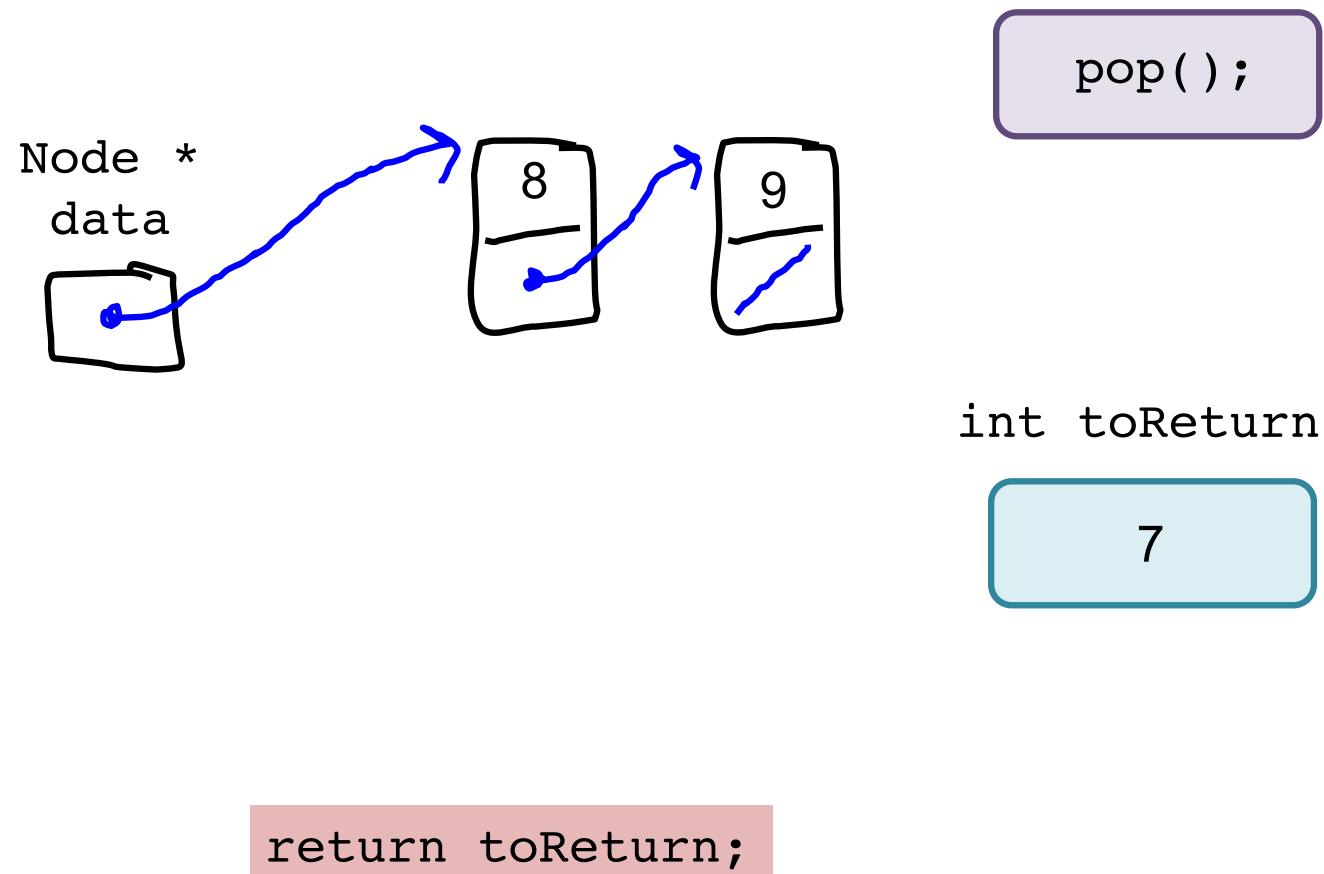
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# Stack

```
class StackInt {          // in StackInt.h
public:
    StackInt ();        // constructor
    void push(value);   // append a value
    int pop();         // return the first-in value

private:
    struct Node {
        int value;
        Node * link;
    };
    Node * data;        // member variables
};
```

# Stack Implementation

```
void StackInt::push(int v) {
    Node * temp = new Node;
    temp->value = v;
    temp->link = data;
    data = temp;
}

int StackInt::pop() {
    int toReturn = data->value;
    Node * temp = data;
    data = temp->link;
    delete temp;
    return toReturn;
}
```

# Stack: Big O of Push?

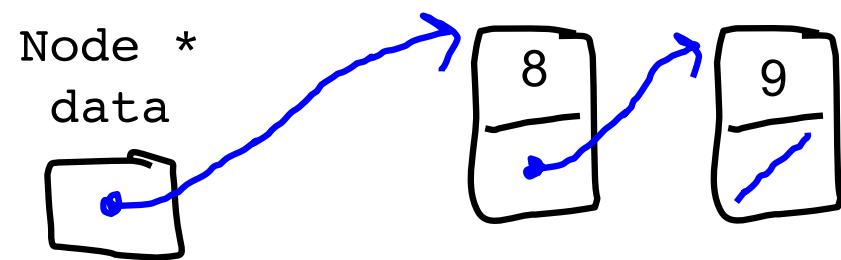


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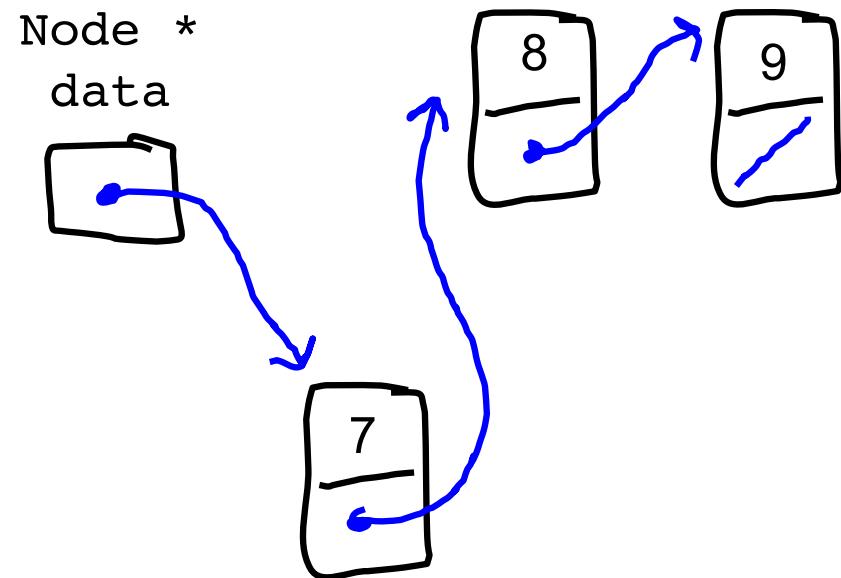




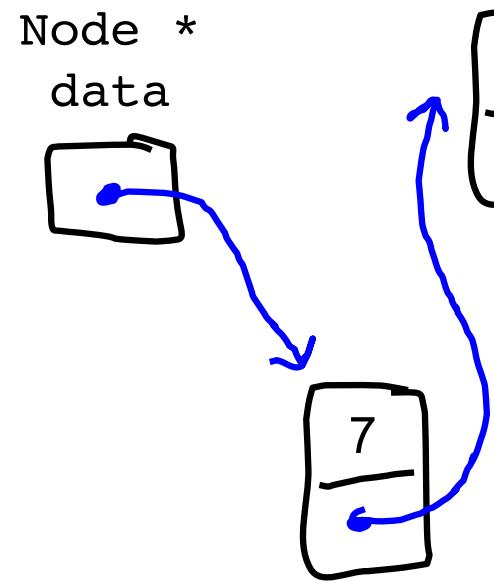
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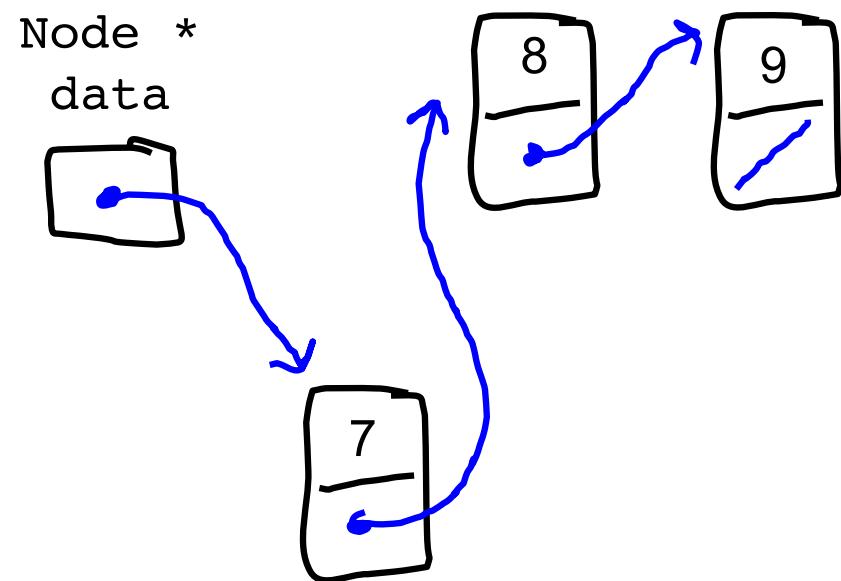
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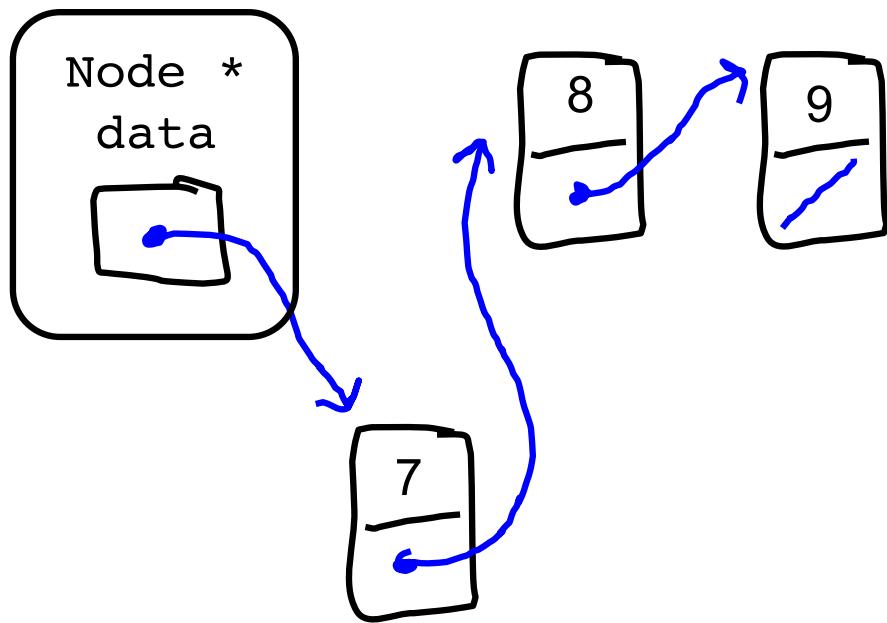
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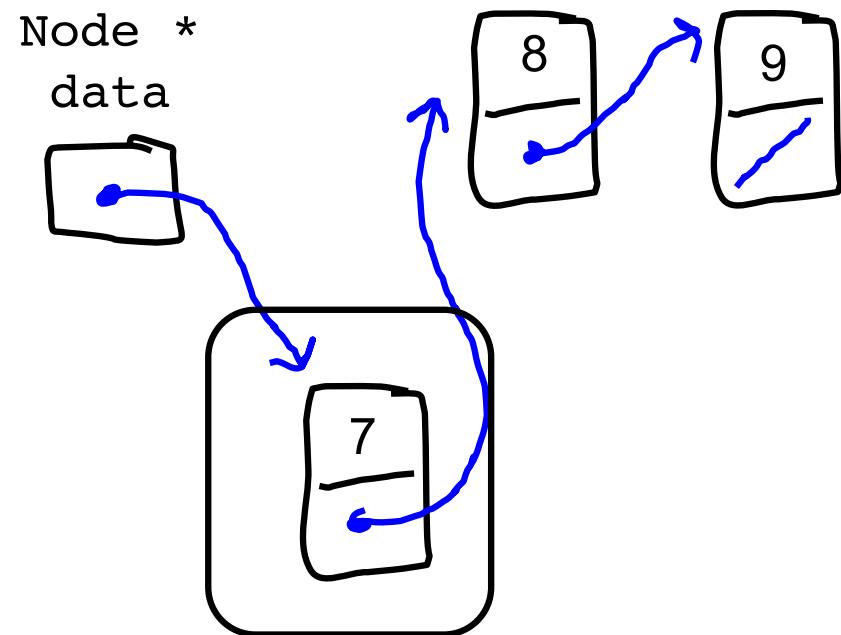
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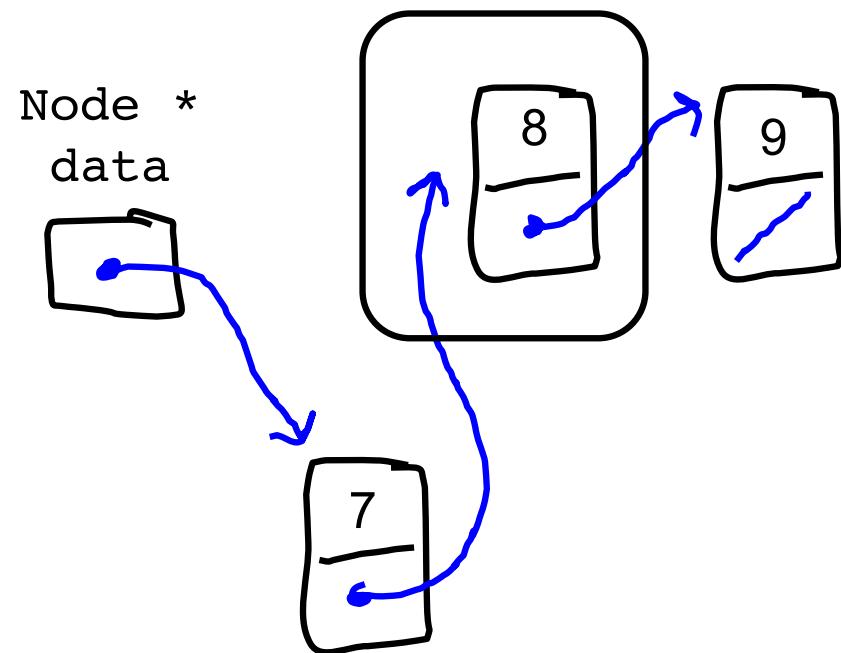
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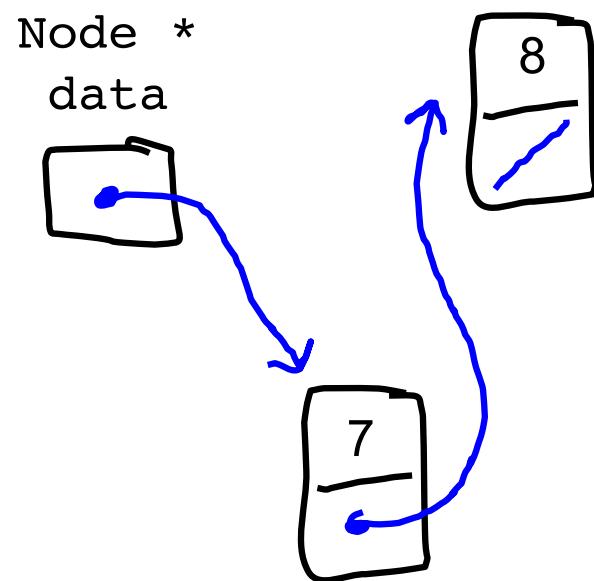
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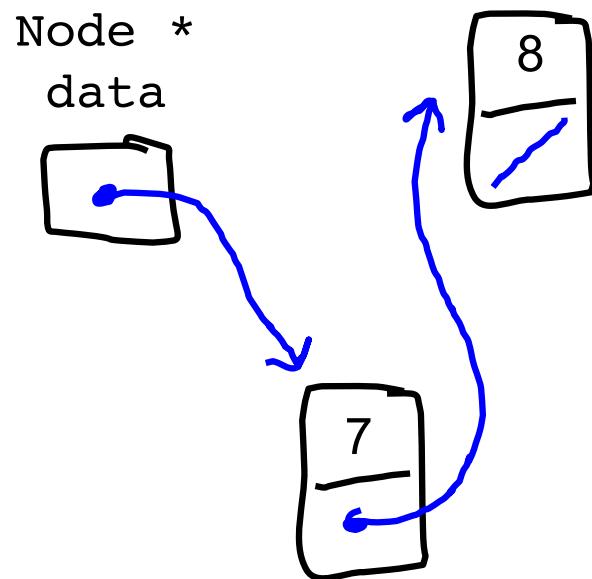
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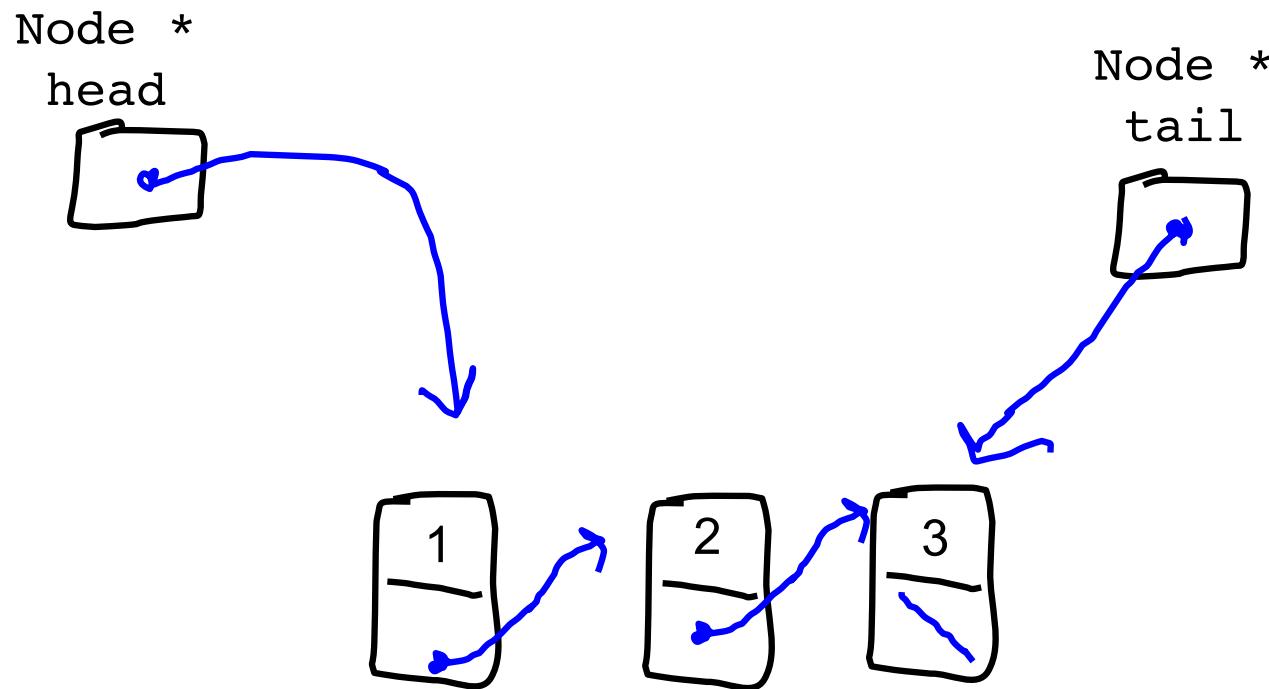
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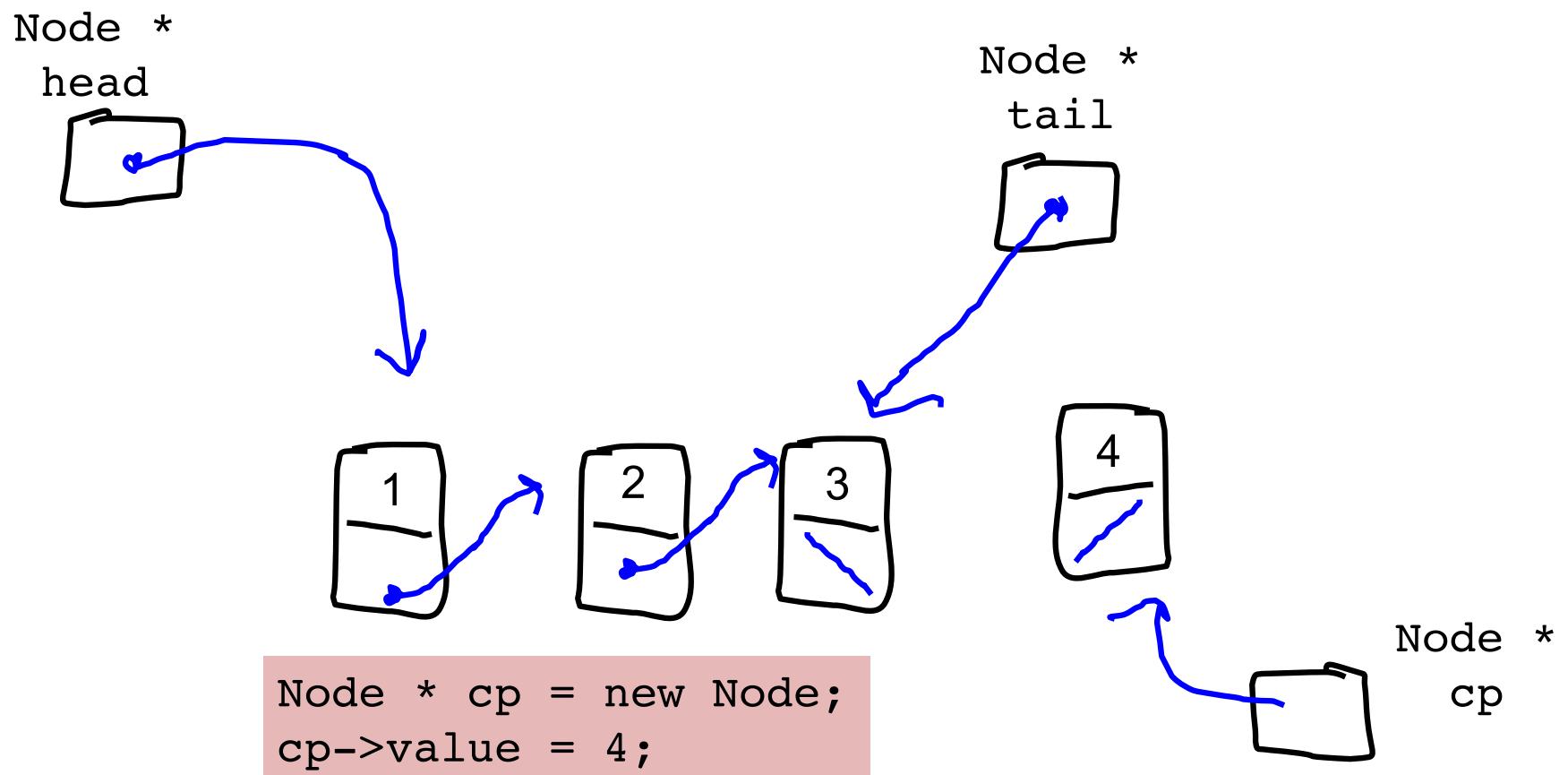
$O(n)$

Always a Better Way

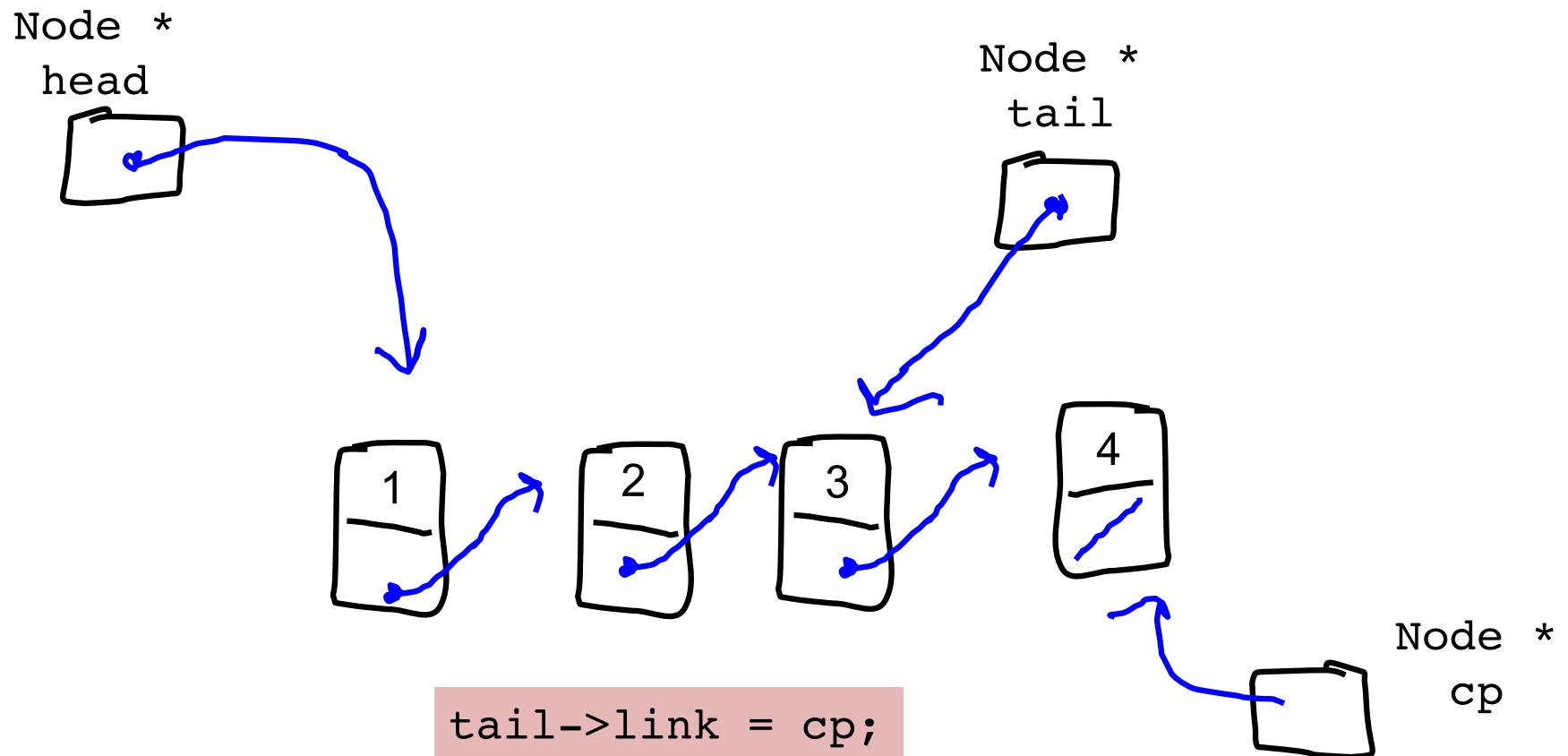
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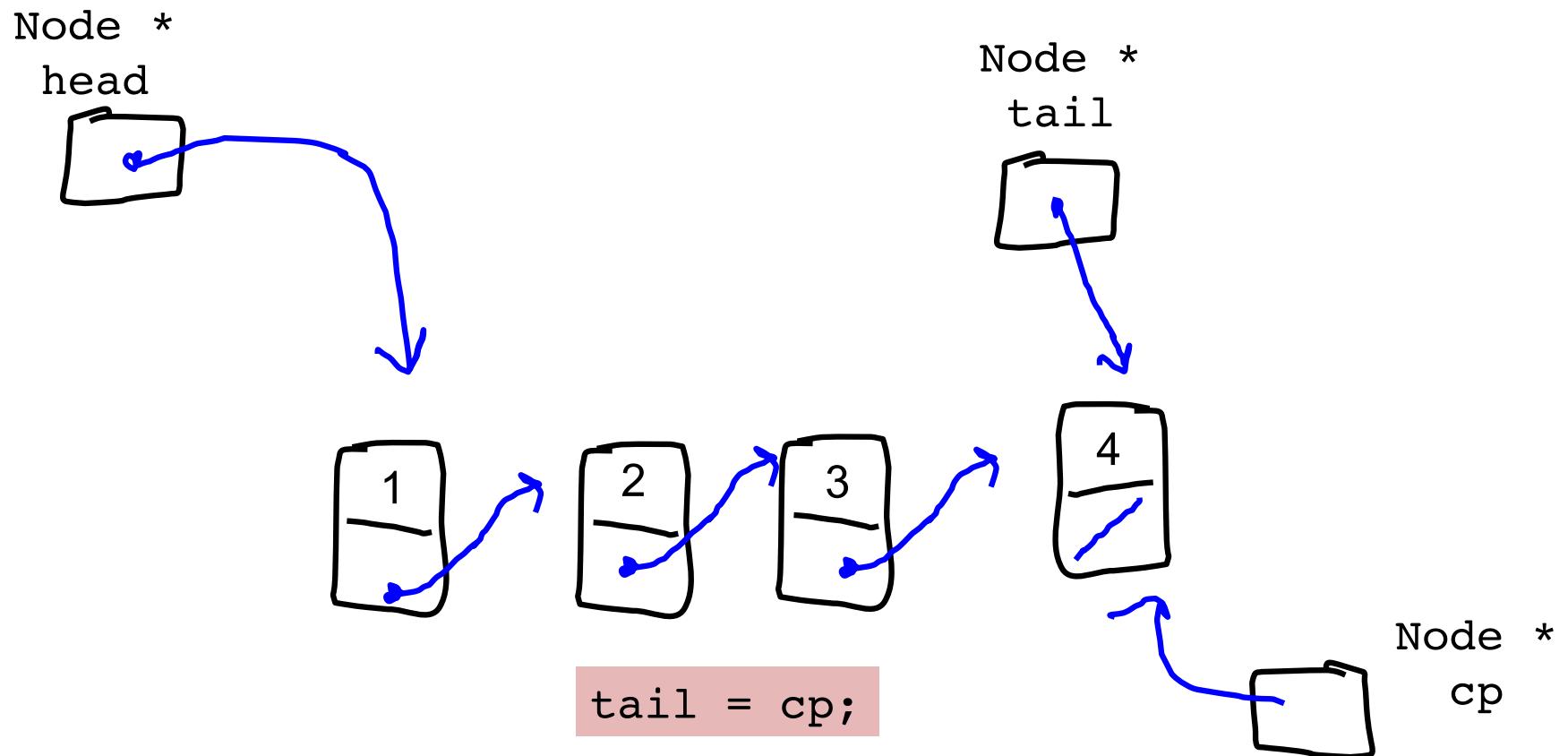
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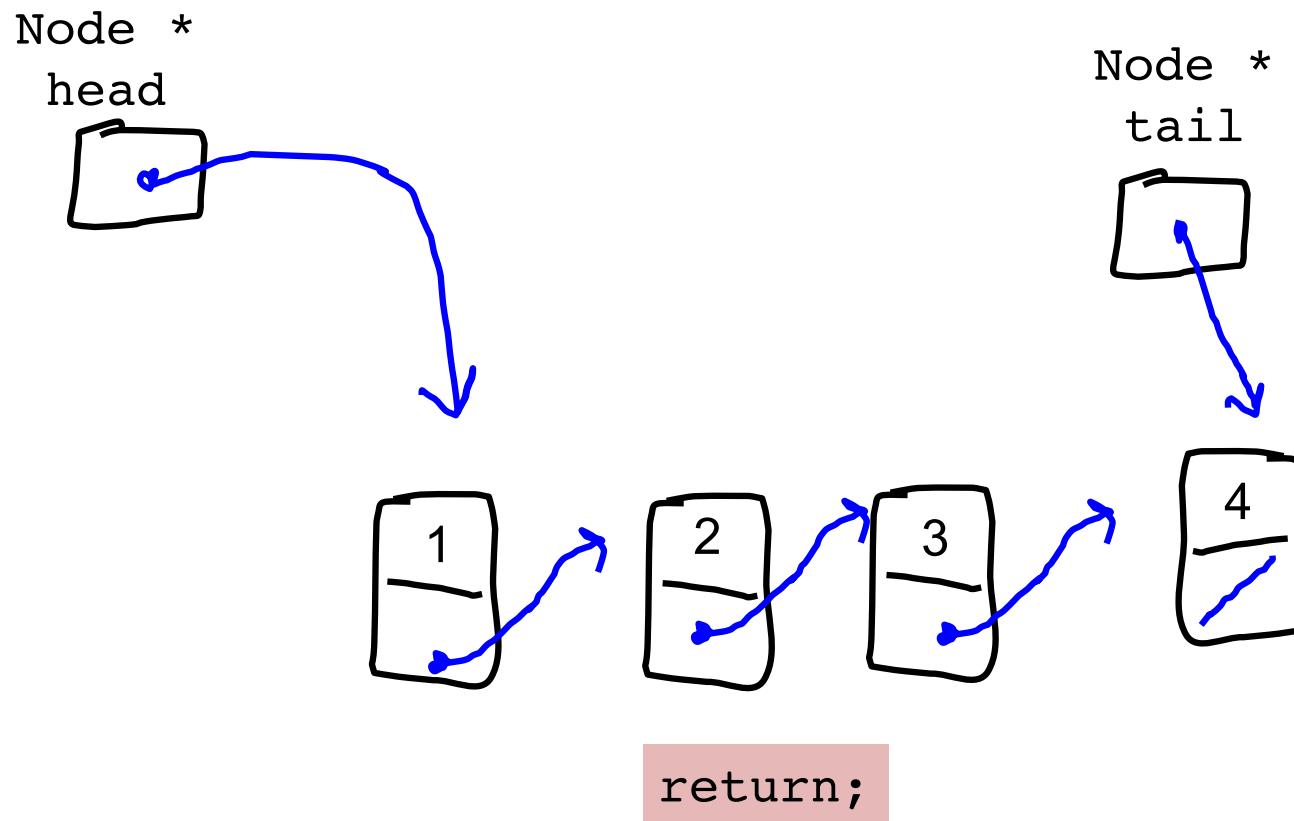
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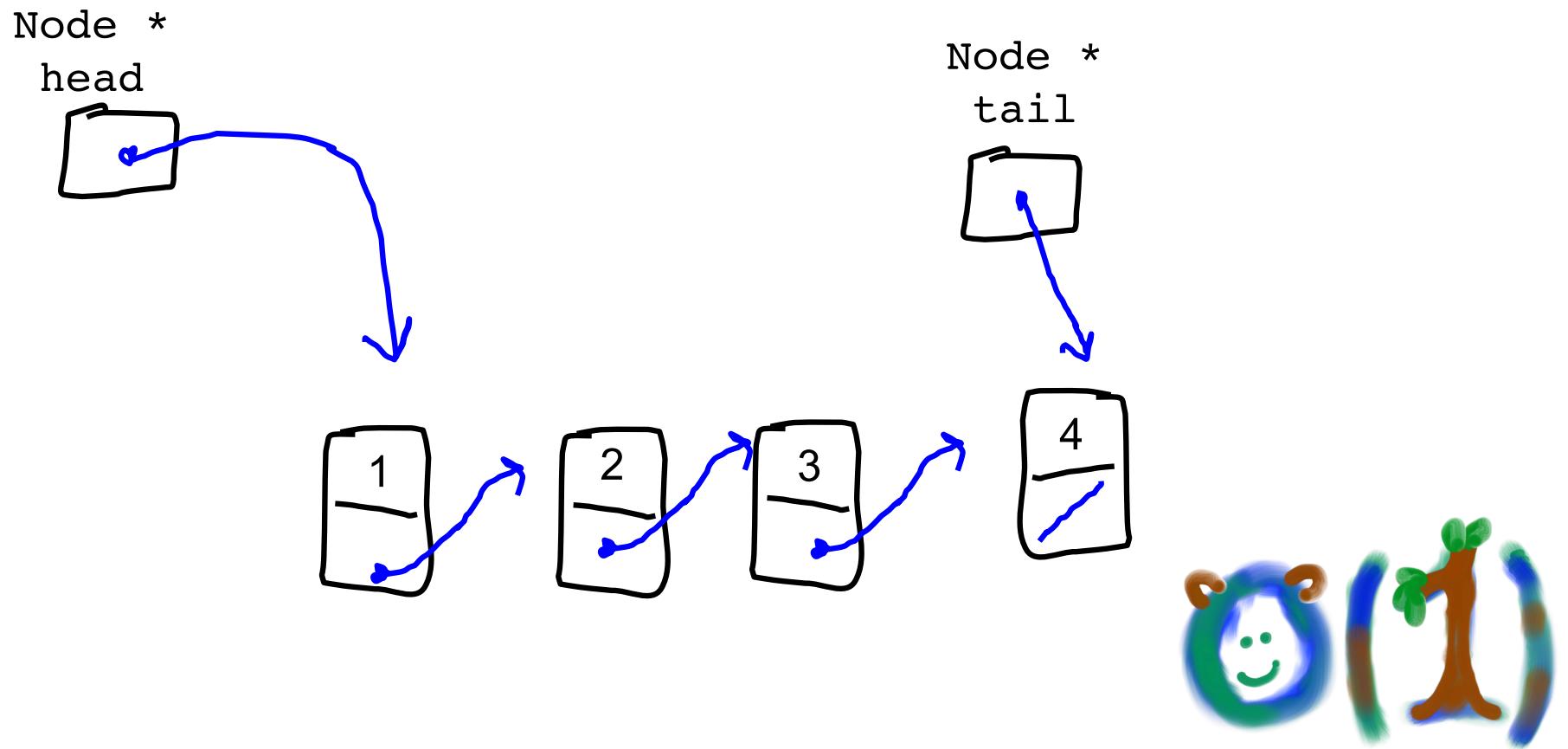
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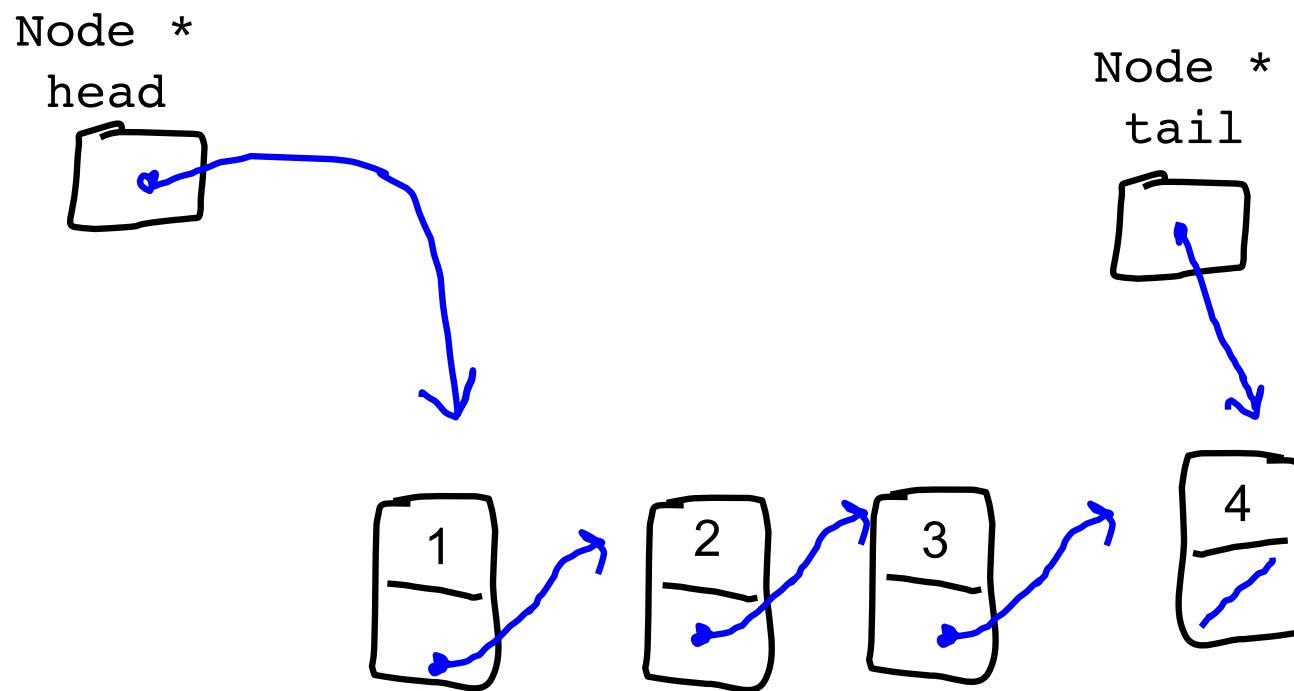


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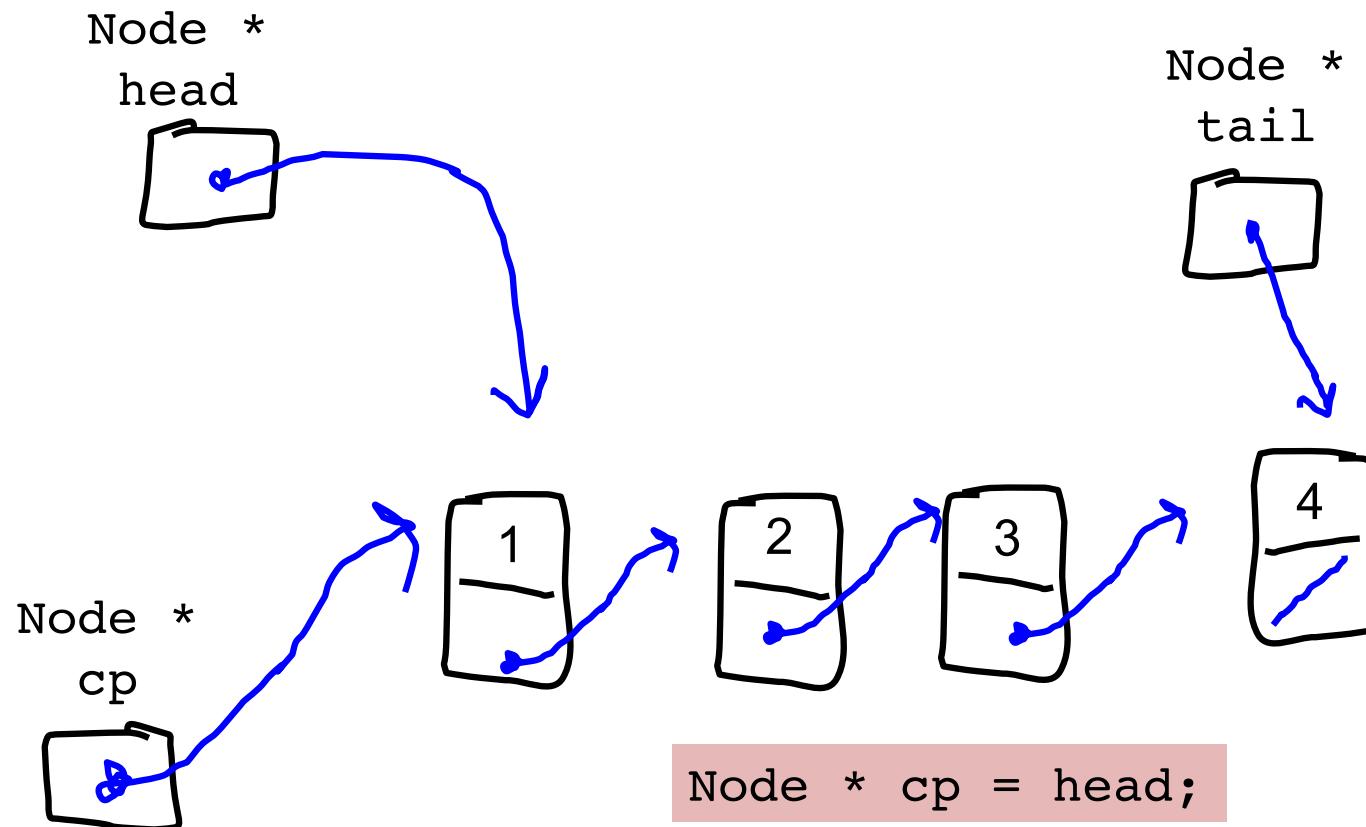


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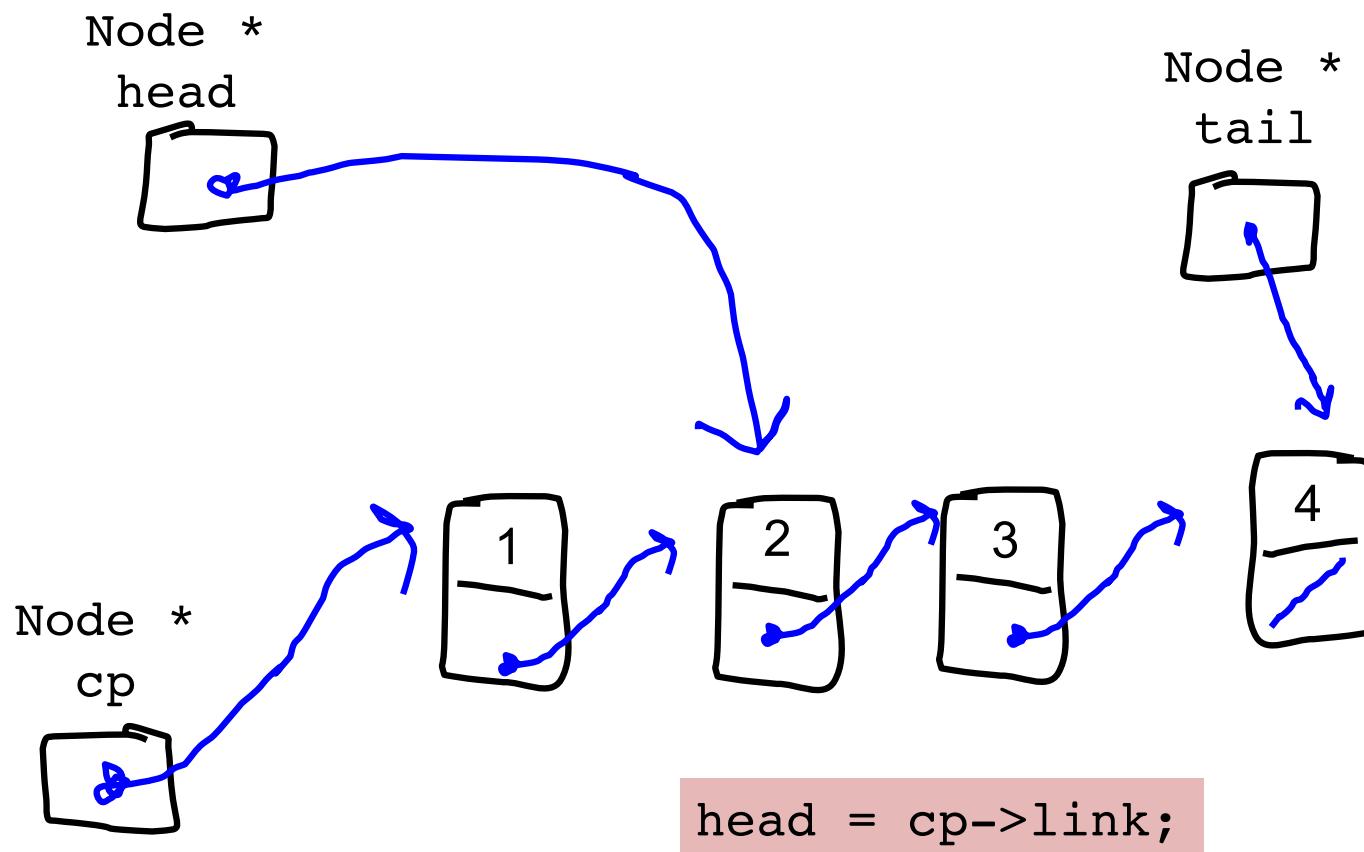
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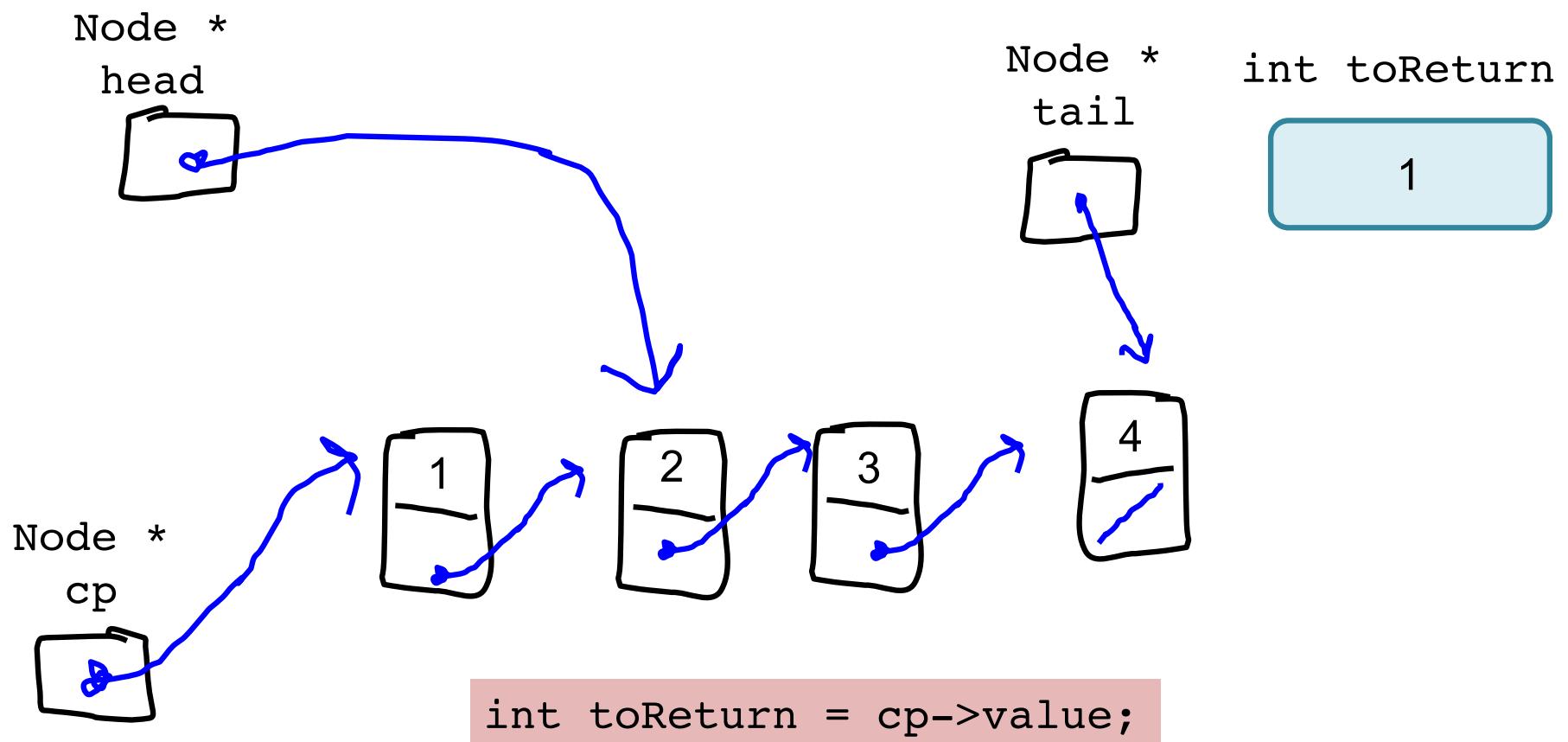
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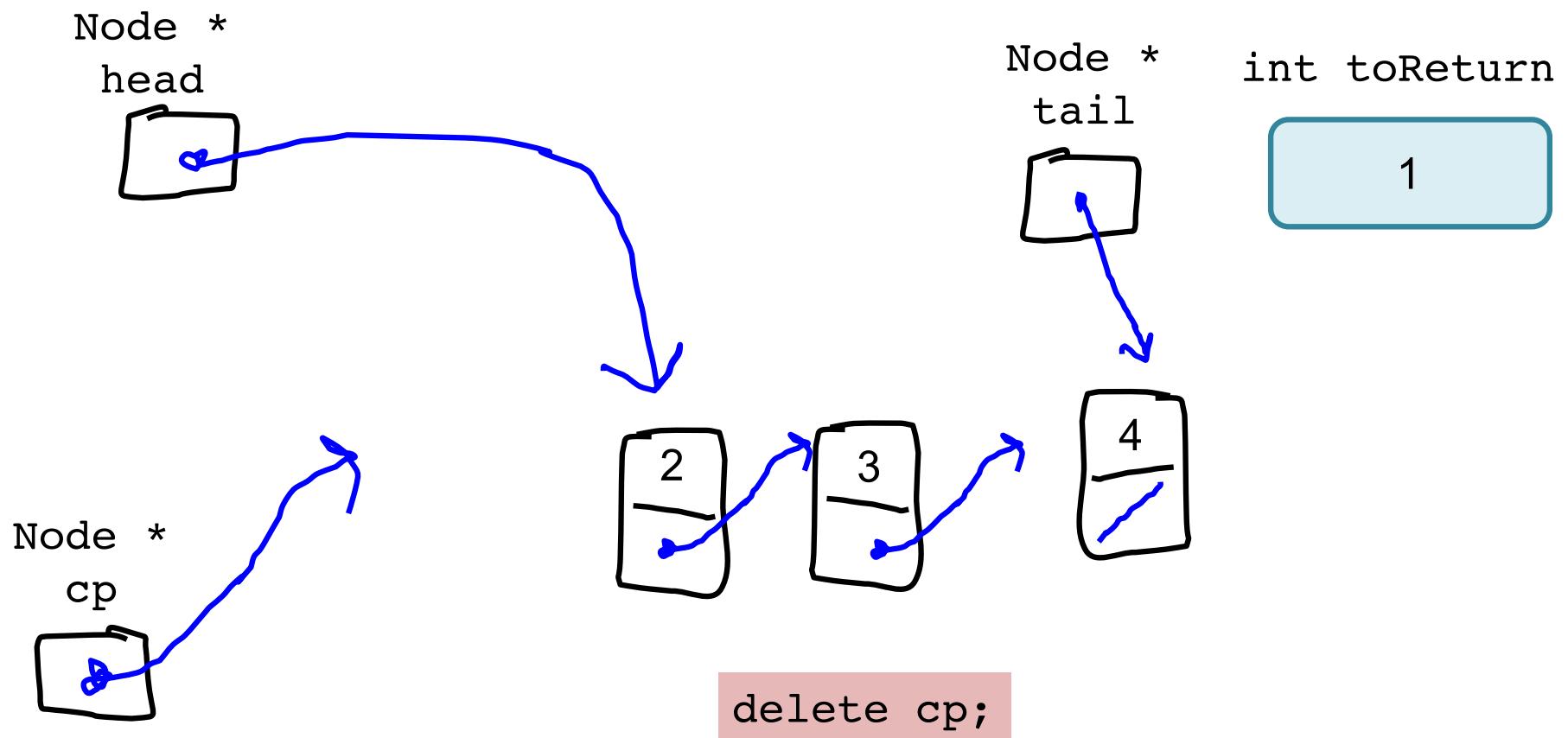
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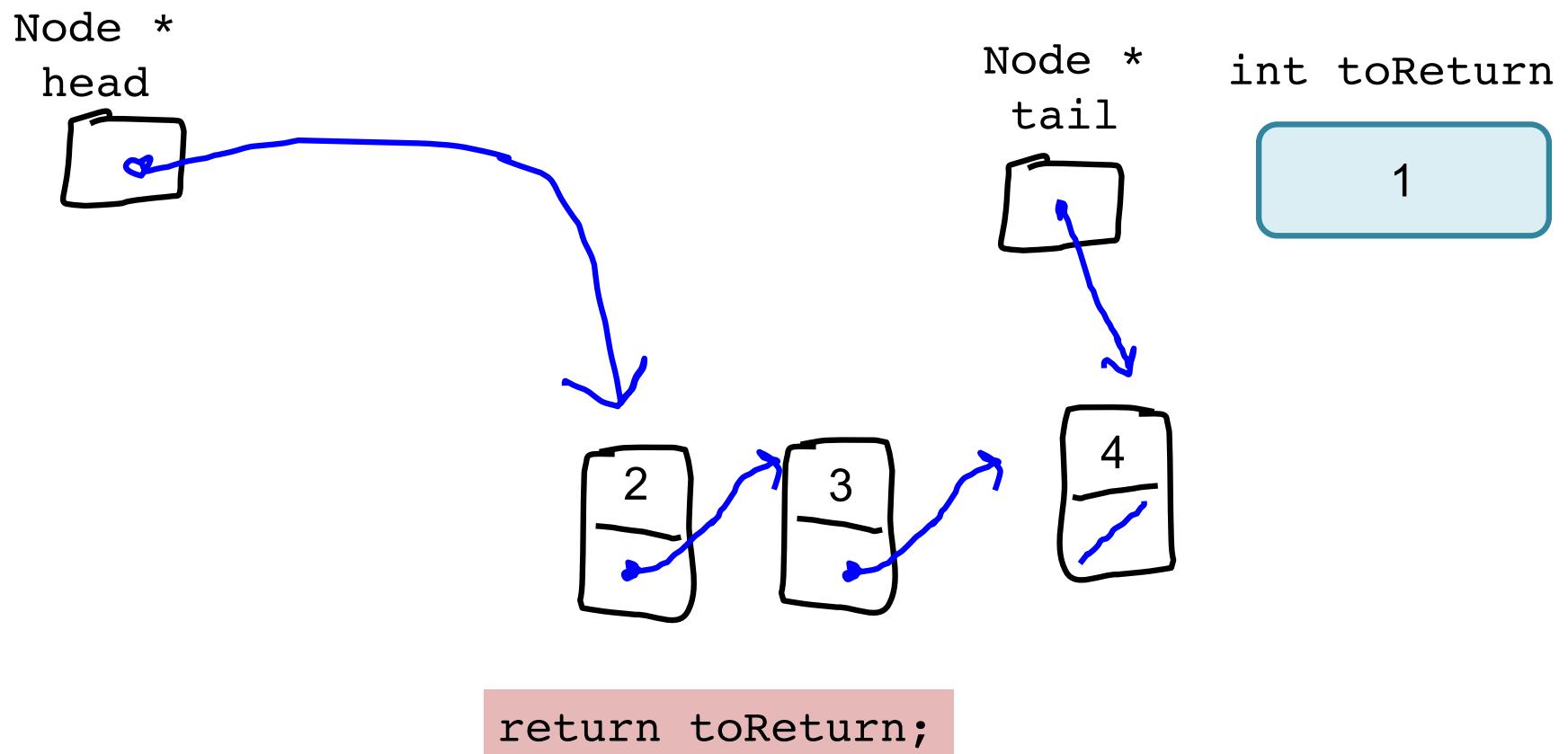
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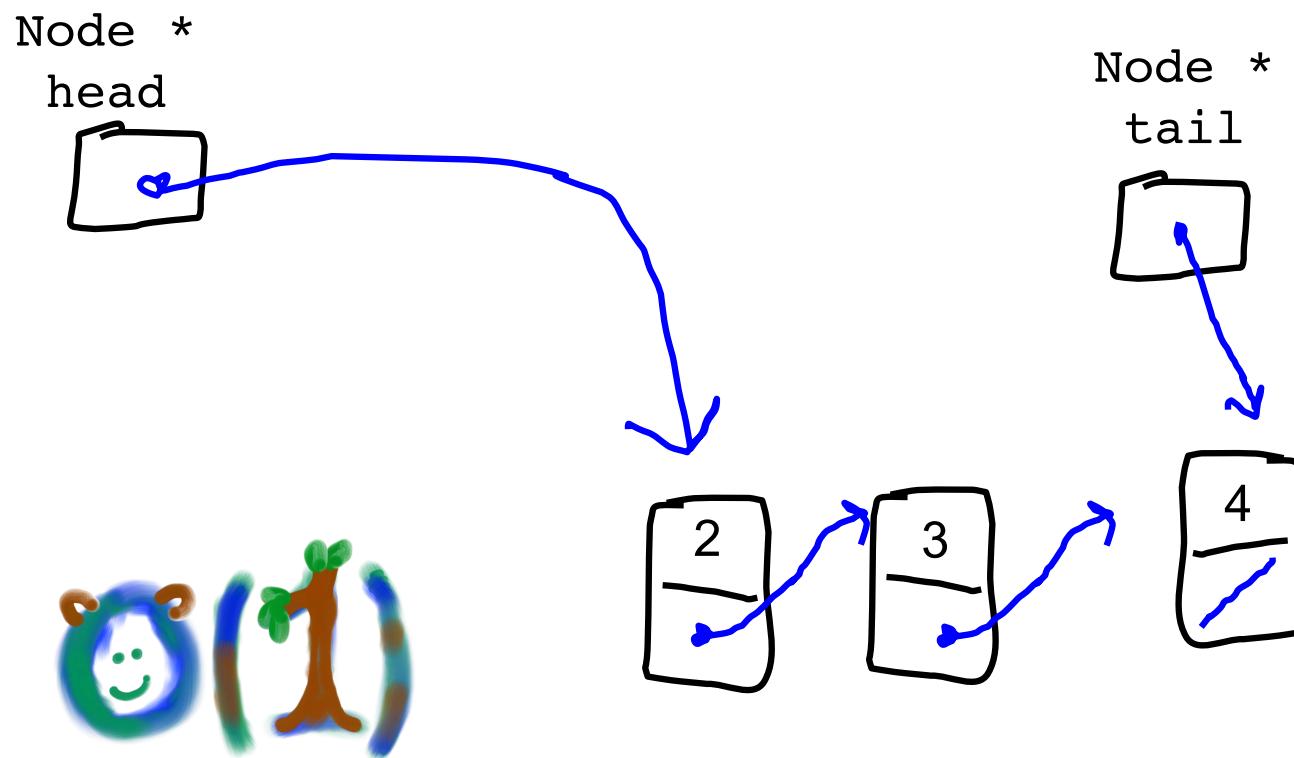
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# Queue

```
class QueueInt {           // in QueueInt.h
public:
    QueueInt();           // constructor
    void enqueue(int value); // append a value
    int dequeue();          // return the first-in value

private:
    struct Node {
        int value;
        Node * link;
    };
    Node * head;            // has a pointer to the first node
    Node * tail;            // and a pointer to the last node
};
```

# Queue Implementation

```
void QueueInt::enqueue(int v) {
    Node * temp = new Node;
    temp->value = v;
    tail->link = temp;
    tail = temp;
}

int QueueInt::dequeue() {
    int toReturn = head->value;
    Node * temp = head;
    head = temp->link;
    delete temp;
    return toReturn;
}
```

# Linked Lists are Excellent

Worst

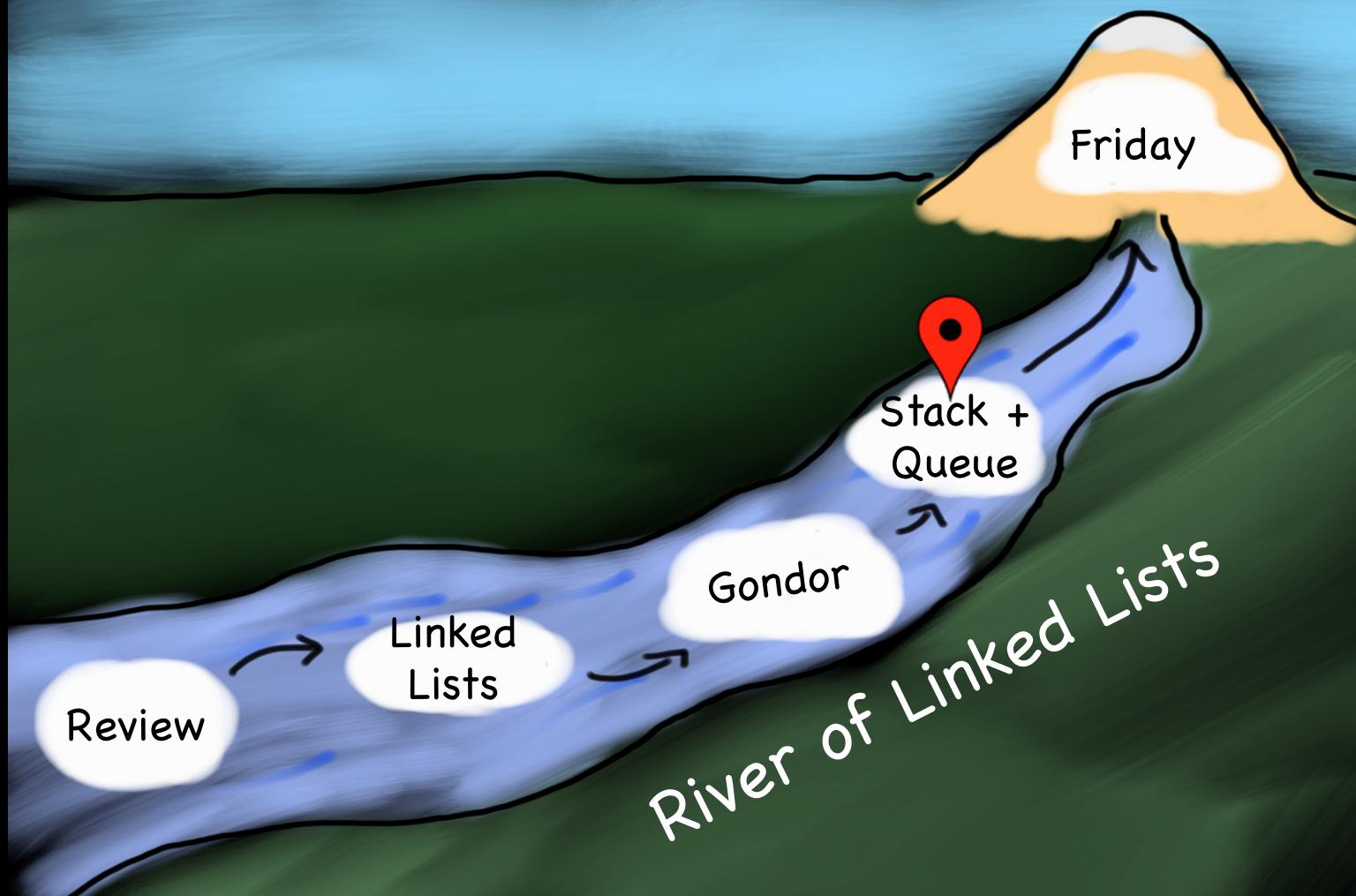
Stack Push       $\mathcal{O}(1)$

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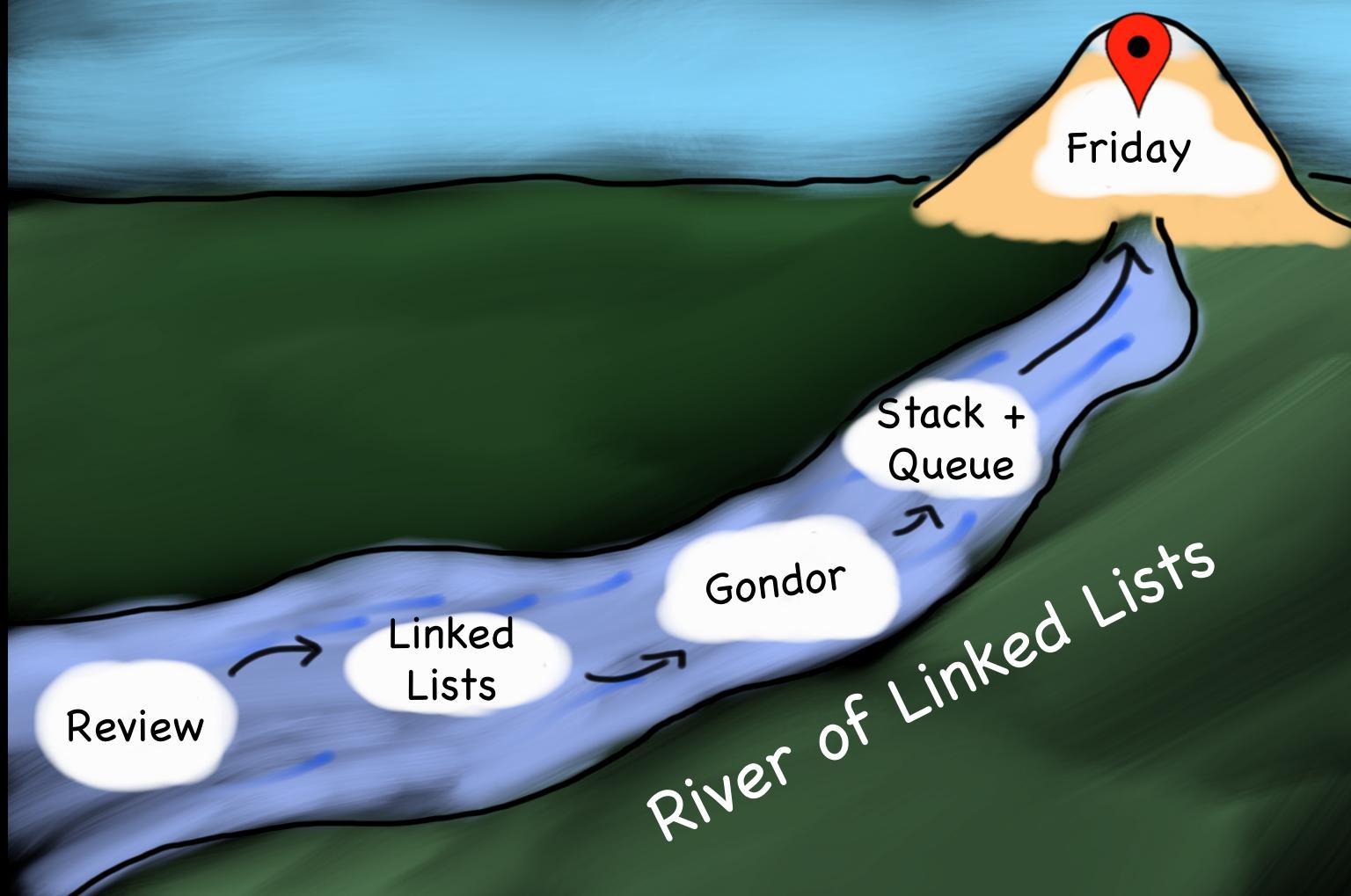
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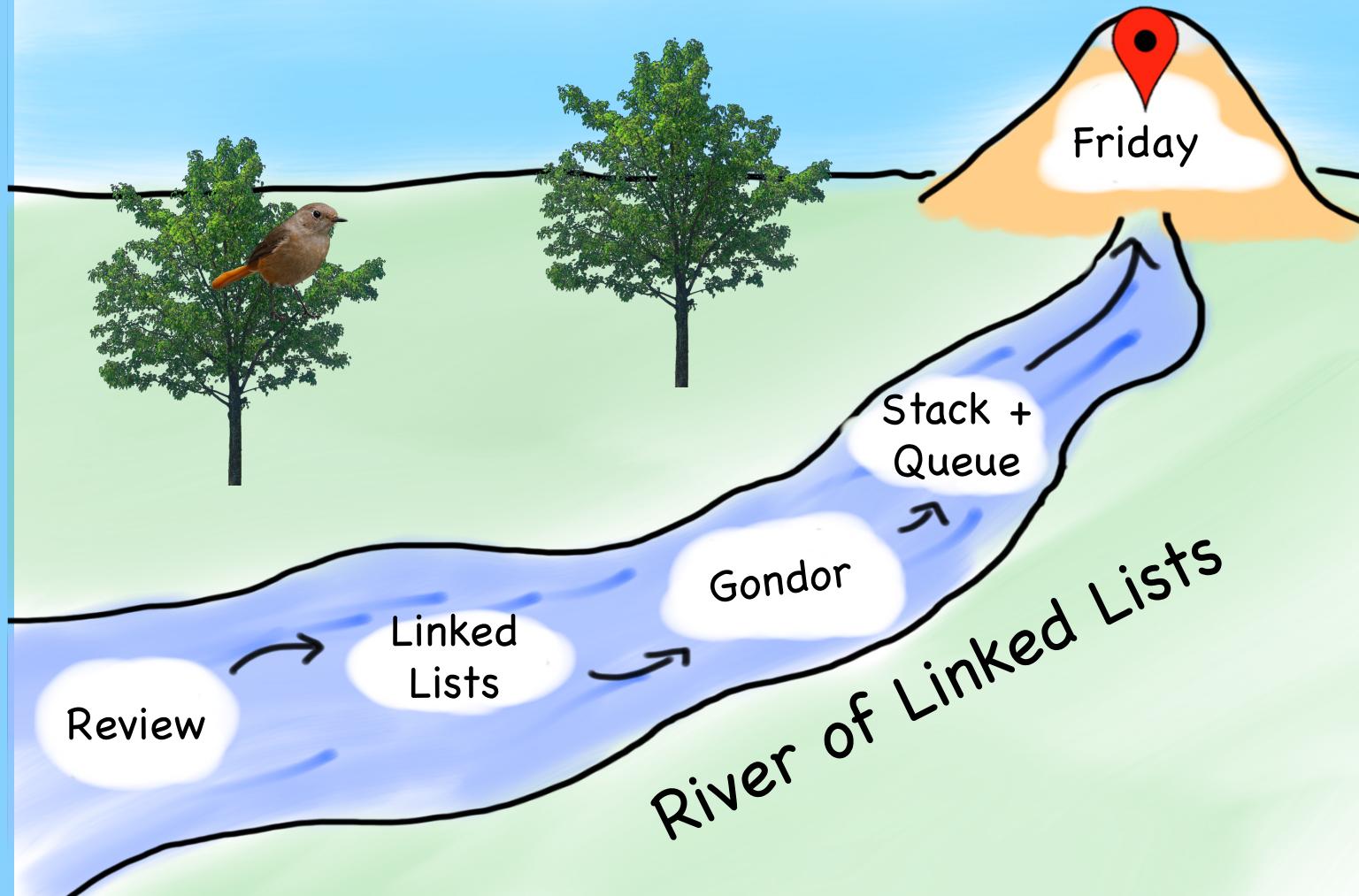
# Today's Journey



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# Today's Goals

1. Learn linked lists
2. See how Stack + Queue work
3. Get ready for trees...

