

FROM STRUCT TO CLASS

UNDERSTANDING C++ ENCAPSULATION

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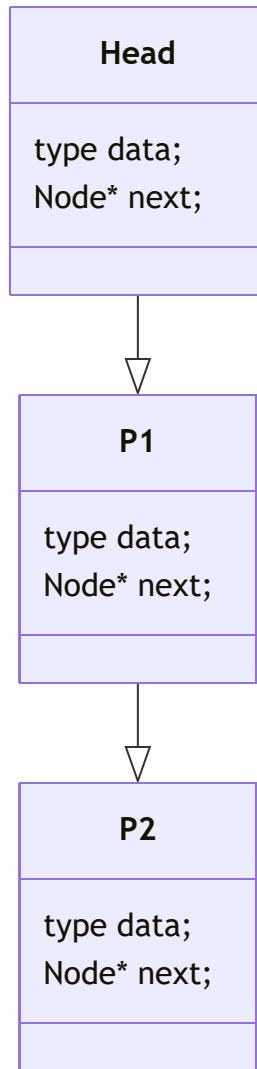
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    // Functions in class (methods)  
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- `void append(List*, char c)`
- `int size(List*)`
- `void remove(List*, int index)`
- `void free(List*)`

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