

# Editorial : Linked List 2

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## 1) Reverse the Linked List

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```
def reverse(A):  
    curr = A  
    before = None  
    after = None  
    while curr is not None:  
        after = curr.next  
        curr.next = before  
        before = curr  
        curr = after  
    A = before  
    return A
```

## Explanation

### 1. Initialize Pointers

```
curr = A  
before = None  
after = None
```

- `curr` points to the current node we are processing (starting at `A`, the head).
- `before` will track the node before `curr` (initially `None`).
- `after` will temporarily store the next node while reversing links.

### 2. Iterate and Reverse

```
while curr is not None:  
    after = curr.next  
    curr.next = before  
    before = curr  
    curr = after
```

- **Store `after`** : Save the next node ( `curr.next` ) in `after` so we don't lose it.
- **Reverse Link**: Make `curr.next` point back to `before`.

- Advance `before` : Move `before` to `curr` .
- Advance `curr` : Move `curr` to `after` .

### 3. Update the Head

```
A = before  
return A
```

- After the loop finishes, `before` points to the **new head** of the reversed list.
- We assign `A = before` and return it.

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## 2) Linked List Cycle

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```
class Solution:  
    def hasCycle(self, head):  
        if not head.next:  
            return False  
  
        first = head  
        second = head  
  
        while (second != None and second.next != None):  
  
            first = first.next  
            second = second.next.next  
  
            if first == second:  
                return True  
  
        return False
```

## Explanation

### 1. Edge Case

```
if not head.next:  
    return False
```

- If the list has no second node, it can't have a cycle.

### 2. Floyd's Cycle Detection (Tortoise and Hare)

```

first = head
second = head
while (second != None and second.next != None):
    first = first.next
    second = second.next.next
    if first == second:
        return True

```

- o `first` moves **one** step at a time.
- o `second` moves **two** steps at a time.
- o If they **ever meet**, there is a cycle.

### 3. Return False if No Cycle

```

return False

```

- o If `second` (or `second.next`) becomes `None`, we exit the loop, meaning the list ended without looping back.

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## 3) Add Two Linked Lists

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```

def addTwoNumbers(first, second):
    prev = None
    temp = None
    carry = 0
    head = None

    while (first is not None or second is not None):
        fdata = 0 if first is None else first.data
        sdata = 0 if second is None else second.data
        Sum = carry + fdata + sdata

        carry = 1 if Sum >= 10 else 0
        Sum = Sum if Sum < 10 else Sum % 10

        temp = Node(Sum)

        if head is None:
            head = temp
        else:
            prev.next = temp

```

```

prev = temp

if first is not None:
    first = first.next
if second is not None:
    second = second.next

if carry > 0:
    temp.next = Node(carry)

return head

```

## Explanation

### 1. Initialize Variables

```

carry = 0
head = None
prev = None

```

- `carry` tracks any overflow from adding two digits (0 or 1).
- `head` will be the head of the resulting sum list.
- `prev` tracks the last node we created.

### 2. Traverse Both Lists

```

while (first is not None or second is not None):
    fdata = 0 if first is None else first.data
    sdata = 0 if second is None else second.data
    Sum = carry + fdata + sdata
    ...

```

- We loop until both `first` and `second` are fully traversed.
- If one list is shorter, we use 0 for its value once it's `None`.

### 3. Calculate Digit and Carry

```

carry = 1 if Sum >= 10 else 0
Sum = Sum if Sum < 10 else Sum % 10

```

- If `Sum` is 10 or more, we set `carry` to 1 and reduce `Sum` to a single digit (`Sum % 10`).

#### 4. Create and Link the New Node

```
temp = Node(Sum)
if head is None:
    head = temp
else:
    prev.next = temp
prev = temp
```

- If this is the first node, it becomes `head` .
- Otherwise, we attach it to the end of the result list by linking `prev.next = temp` .
- Then we move `prev` to `temp` .

#### 5. Advance Pointers

```
if first is not None:
    first = first.next
if second is not None:
    second = second.next
```

#### 6. Check Remaining Carry

```
if carry > 0:
    temp.next = Node(carry)
```

- If there's a leftover carry after the final addition, we add a new node with `carry` .

#### 7. Return the Head

```
return head
```

- The resulting linked list's head is returned.

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## 4) Nth Node from the End

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```
def nthNode(A, n):
    first = A
    second = A
    count = 0
```

```
while (count < n):
    second = second.next
    count += 1
while (second is not None):
    second = second.next
    first = first.next
return first.data
```

## Explanation

### 1. Two Pointers

- `first` and `second` both start at the head ( `A` ).

### 2. Advance `second` by `n` Steps

```
while (count < n):
    second = second.next
    count += 1
```

- This ensures that `second` is `n` nodes ahead of `first` .

### 3. Move Both Until `second` Reaches End

```
while (second is not None):
    second = second.next
    first = first.next
```

- When `second` reaches `None` , `first` will be at the **(length - n)th** node, i.e., the **nth node from the end**.

### 4. Return the Data

```
return first.data
```

- We return the data of the node at `first` .

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## 5) Delete Kth Node from End

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```
def deleteYAfterX(head, K):

    first = head
    second = head

    for _ in range(K):
        first = first.next

    if first is None:
        return head.next

    while first.next is not None:
        first = first.next
        second = second.next

    second.next = second.next.next

    return head
```

## Explanation

### 1. Two Pointers

```
first = head
second = head
for _ in range(K):
    first = first.next
```

- Move `first` exactly `K` nodes ahead of `second`.

### 2. Edge Case

```
if first is None:
    return head.next
```

- If `first` becomes `None` after moving `K` steps, it means we need to remove the **head** (the Kth node from the end is the head).

### 3. Traverse Until `first` Reaches the End

```
while first.next is not None:
    first = first.next
    second = second.next
```

- Once `first` is at the last node, `second` is exactly at the node before the Kth-from-end.

#### 4. Remove the Kth-from-End Node

```
second.next = second.next.next  
return head
```

- We skip the target node by re-linking `second.next` .

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## 6) Add 1 to Linked List

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```
def addOne(head):  
    def reverseList(node):  
        prev = None  
        current = node  
        while current:  
            next_node = current.next  
            current.next = prev  
            prev = current  
            current = next_node  
        return prev  
  
    head = reverseList(head)  
  
    carry = 1  
    current = head  
    while current:  
        current.data += carry  
        if current.data < 10:  
            carry = 0  
            break  
        current.data = 0  
        if not current.next:  
            current.next = Node(0)  
        current = current.next  
  
    head = reverseList(head)  
    return head
```

## Explanation

### 1. Reverse the List



```
def reverseList(node):  
    ...  
    head = reverseList(head)
```

- We reverse the linked list so the **least significant digit** is at the front.

## 2. Add One

```
carry = 1  
current = head  
while current:  
    current.data += carry  
    if current.data < 10:  
        carry = 0  
        break  
    current.data = 0  
    if not current.next:  
        current.next = Node(0)  
    current = current.next
```

- Start with a carry of 1 (since we're adding 1).
- Add `carry` to `current.data`.
- If `current.data` is now 10 or more, set it to 0 and keep `carry = 1`.
- If `current.data` is less than 10, set `carry = 0` and break out of the loop (no further carry to propagate).
- If we reach the end of the list and still have `carry = 1`, we create a new node (e.g., going from 999 to 1000).

## 3. Reverse Again

```
head = reverseList(head)  
return head
```

- After adding 1, we reverse the list back to its original order.
- Return the updated head.

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## Summary

1. **Reverse the Linked List:** Uses a three-pointer method ( `before` , `curr` , `after` ) to reverse links.
2. **Linked List Cycle:** Implements Floyd's Cycle Detection (fast & slow pointers).

3. **Add Two Linked Lists:** Iterates over both lists digit by digit, handling carry.
4. **Nth Node from End:** Uses two pointers, offset by `n`.
5. **Delete Kth Node from End:** Similar approach, but instead of returning the node's value, we remove it.
6. **Add 1 to Linked List:** Reverses the list, adds 1, and reverses it back.
7. **Good Friend :** You can skip this question, issue from backend.