

159201

Week 1

Data Types

- Basic Data Types
- Integers, real, characters, boolean ...
- e.g., in C/C++
- int
- float
- char
- **bool** (C has no boolean types, programmers use `#define` instead)

Data Types

- Basic Data Types **grouped together**
- *Structured Data Types:*
- Arrays, strings, records
- In C/C++ we use **struct**

```
struct BookRecord {  
    char title[40];  
    float callnumber;  
};
```

Data Types

```
struct BookRecord {  
    char title[40];  
    float callnumber;  
};  
...  
main(){  
    ...  
    BookRecord book;  
    book.callnumber = 5.265;  
}
```

Reference and pointers

Recall from 159101 / 159102:

- * a pointer (declare a pointer to any type)
- new** allocates memory (equivalent to C `malloc()`)
- &** the address of a variable.
- >** the element of a pointer to a structure

Examples with *

```
#include <stdio.h>  
main(){  
    int a=10;  
    int *b;  
    b=&a; //the address is the same  
    printf("a=%d and b=%d \n",a,*b);  
}
```

Result: a=10 and b=10

Examples with funct(type *&)

```
1 #include <stdio.h>
2 int b;
3 void function1(int *a) { a=&b; }
4 void function2(int *&a) { a=&b; }
5 main(){
6     int *a;
7     int x=10;
8     a=&x;
9     printf("a=%d ",*a);
10    b=20;
11    function1(a);
12    printf("a=%d ",*a);
13    b=30;
14    function2(a);
15    printf("a=%d \n",*a);
16 }
```

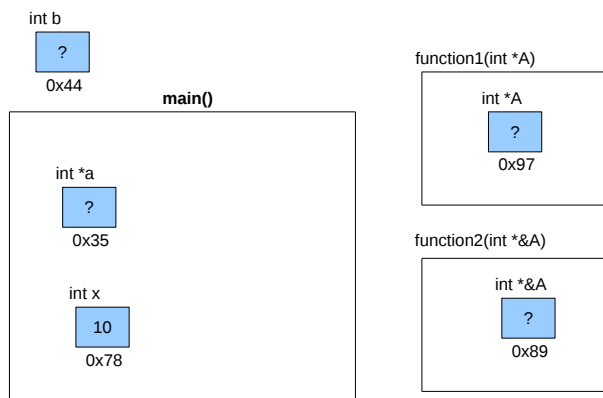
Result: ? ? ?

Examples with funct(type *&)

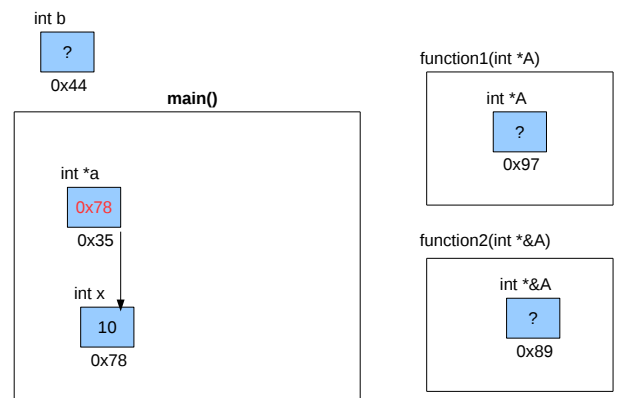
```
1 #include <stdio.h>
2 int b;
3 void function1(int *a) { a=&b; }
4 void function2(int *&a) { a=&b; }
5 main(){
6     int *a;
7     int x=10;
8     a=&x;
9     printf("a=%d ",*a);
10    b=20;
11    function1(a);
12    printf("a=%d ",*a);
13    b=30;
14    function2(a);
15    printf("a=%d \n",*a);
16 }
```

Result is: 10 10 30
NOT: 10 20 30

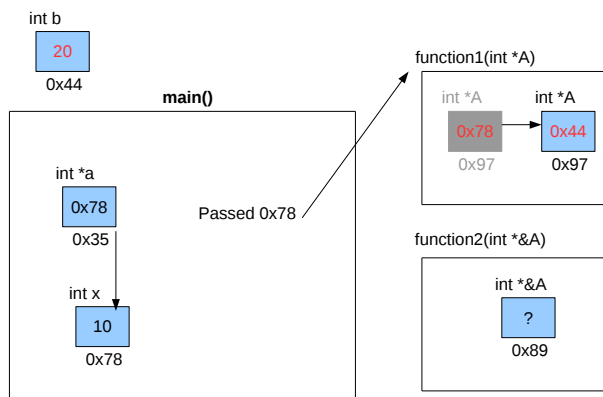
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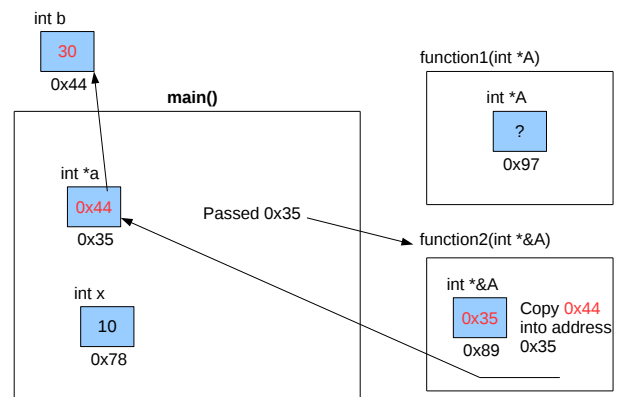
State of memory at line 9



State of memory at line 12



State of memory at line 15



Examples with funct(type *&)

The trick is to pass a pointer to a pointer...
This can be done passing *& (typical for C++
*) or
** (in C).

Run the program `code1_alternative.cpp`
and play with the different variables. Try to
follow what is happening to the addresses
within the pointers.

malloc() and free(), New, delete

In C, memory allocation/deallocation:

Malloc() and free()

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>

int main(){
    int a[10]; //static, 10 places
    int *b; //pointer only, no allocation yet
    b=(int*) malloc(10*sizeof(int));
    a[5]=10;
    b[5]=10;
    printf("result: a=%d and b=%d\n",a[5],b[5]);
    free(b);
}
```

NOTE: using unallocated pointers or freeing twice leads to
disaster... (segmentation fault)

malloc() and free(), New, delete

In C++, memory allocation/deallocation:

New and delete

```
1 #include <stdio.h>
2
3 int main(){
4     int a[10]; //static, 10 places
5     int *b; //pointer only, no allocation yet
6     b = new int[10]; //allocate
7     a[5]=10;
8     b[5]=10;
9     printf("result: a=%d and b=%d\n",a[5],b[5]);
10    delete[] b; //deallocate (use object's destructor)
11 }
```

NOTE: new and delete have specific roles in C++
(constructors and destructors), more in 159234

What -> means?

Remember that "." is used to refer to elements of structures, e.g.

book.callnumber

However, when "book" is a pointer we have to refer to it using "->",
e.g.

```
BookRecord book;
BookRecord *bookpointer;
...
main(){...
    book.callnumber=10;
    bookpointer->callnumber=10;
}
```

Review: command line args

Remember how to get arguments from command line?

```
int main(int argc, char **argv) {
    if(argc!=3) {
        cout << "needs: Q1phase Q2phase" << endl;
        exit(0);
    }
    Q1phase=atoi(argv[1]);
    Q2phase=atoi(argv[2]);
    ...
}
```

Review: command line args

When the operating system receives the command to
run an executable, it reads an expression. This
expression can be split into several strings:

```
#myprog.exe argument1 argument2 argument3 ...
```

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argv[0] argv[1] argv[2] argv[3] ...

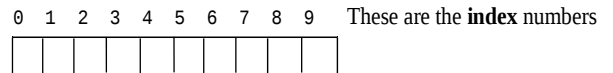
argc: holds the number of arguments (4 in this case)

Abstract Data Types (ADT)

- ADT: a **model** for **data structure** with a certain behaviour and certain **properties**.
- Advantages of ADTs
 - Reduce details – allow focus to be on the “main picture”.
 - Different implementations can be used.
 - Underlying implementation can be changed or upgraded.
 - In C++, it is convenient to implement an ADT as a **class**.

Revision of Arrays

- Remember arrays in C or C++? Example:
- `int x[10];` // ten elements `x[0]`, `x[1]` ... `x[9]`



Revision of Arrays

Advantages of Arrays

Simple, Fast, Random access

Disadvantages of Arrays

Fixed size – too small or too big at runtime

Difficult to insert or delete without leaving spaces

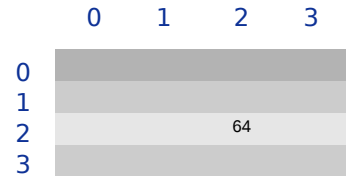
e.g., we have 10 elements, delete `array[2]` and `array[7]`.

2D arrays

Example:

```
int matrix[4][4];
```

At some point, `matrix[2][2]=64;`



2D arrays

- 2D Arrays in C/C++ are stored as a 1D array
- **Row-major** order
- Known in math as a **matrix**
- **Sparse matrix** has few numbers and lots of elements with value = 0

Row-major X column-major

Row-major order? How do we know?

```
#include <stdio.h>
int a; int b;
int matrix[4][4];
main(){
    for(a=0;a<4;a++){
        for(b=0;b<4;b++){
            printf("%p ", &matrix[a][b]); //pointers
        }
        printf("\n");
    }
}
```

Row-major X column-major

Output:

6293920 6293924 6293928 6293932

6293936 6293940 6293944 6293948

6293952 6293956 6293960 6293964

6293968 6293972 6293976 6293980

- the output may not be the same for different machines, even for different runs.

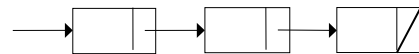
- However, it follows a pattern: a space of **4 (bytes)** between elements within the same row.

- The first element in the second column is +4 bytes from the last element in the first row

→ row-major confirmed

Linked-lists

Lets study our first ADT...



Linked-lists

Linked-lists are **sequences of connected nodes**.

Linked-lists are empty at the start.

Nodes are added **dynamically** (at runtime).

Nodes contain pointers to other nodes.

The address of the list is the pointer to the first node.

Linked-lists can be used as an alternative to arrays.

Linked-lists are **linear** structures, i.e., one element points to another single element.



Linked-lists compared to arrays

Linked-lists

Arrays

Grows during runtime

Fixed size (compilation time)

Dynamic memory allocation

Static memory allocation

Easy to insert/delete in the middle

Inserting elements leave empty spaces in memory

Sequential access is fast

Random access (index)

slow

fast

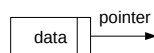
Complicated (needs extra functions to work)

Simple

Linked-lists

We can represent linked-lists schematically:

A **node** is represented like this:

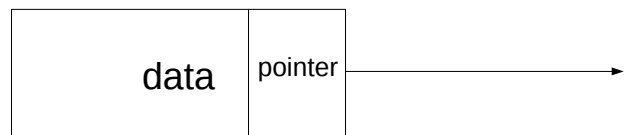


A **set of nodes** composes a linked-list:



Linked-lists

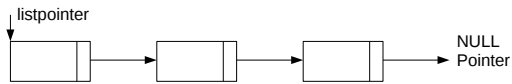
Each **node** contains *data* and a *single pointer*:



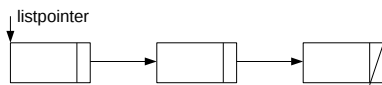
Linked-lists

The linked-list can have (theoretically) an **infinite** number of node (or elements). How do we know when the list begins or ends?

The linked-list **begins** with a pointer: e.g., listpointer
The linked-list **ends** with a NULL pointer.



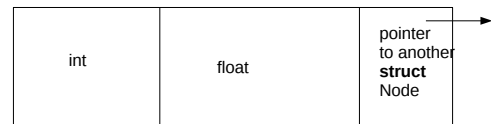
Alternatively, represented schematically by:



Linked-lists: implementation

```

struct Node { //declaration of a Node
    int accnumber; //some data...
    float balance; //more data...
    struct Node *next; //the pointer to the next node
}; //Note the recursive declaration
typedef struct Node Node; //only for C
  
```

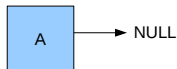


Linked-lists

Until one declares a Node and specifically allocates memory to it, no memory is allocated:

```

Node *A; //declare one pointer to a linked-list called 'A'
A = NULL;
  
```



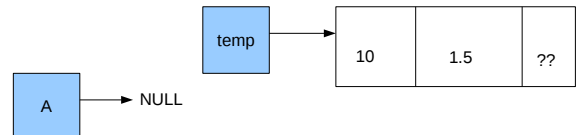
REMEMBER: there is no place for an int or a float yet...
There is only a pointer to a Node, no allocated memory.

Linked-lists

Lets add, *manually* (at main()), a new node on list **A**:

```

Node *temp; //declare a temporary pointer to a Node
temp = new Node; //allocate space
temp->accnumber=10; //load the value
temp->balance=1.5; //load the value
  
```

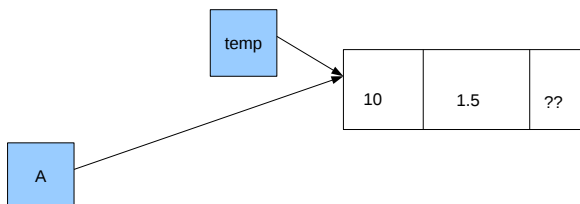


Linked-lists

The new element should be pointed by A. We can copy the content of temp to A:

```

A = temp;
  
```

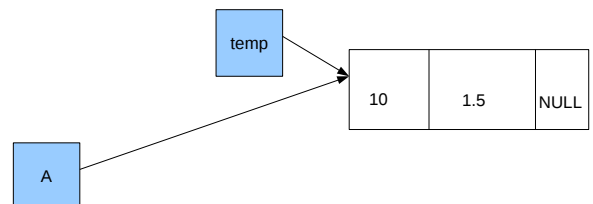


Linked-lists

A has now one element. But the new element **next** pointer points to a **random** place in memory. Lets point it to NULL:

```

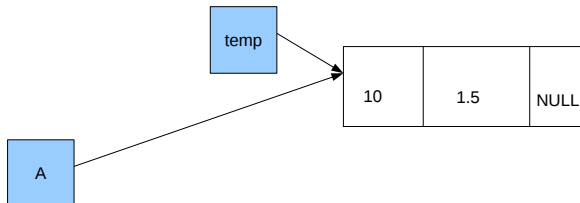
temp->next=NULL; //(or A->next=NULL)
  
```



Linked-lists

Now, if we want to refer to the **first** element of A:

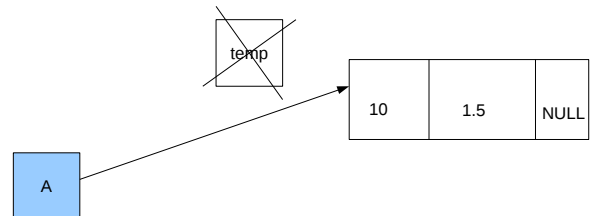
A->accnumber
A->balance
A->next ...



Linked-lists

We could now eliminate **temp**. (we will see how to do this properly inside a function)

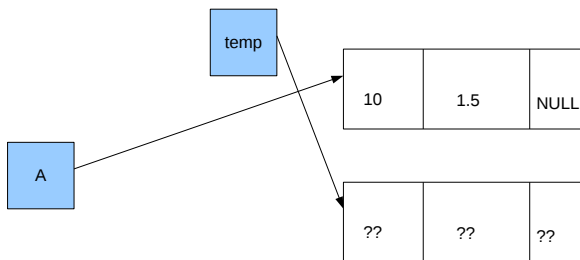
But why do we need **temp** in the first place? Lets use **temp** to create a second element instead of deleting it...



Linked-lists

Suppose you want a second element linked to list A.

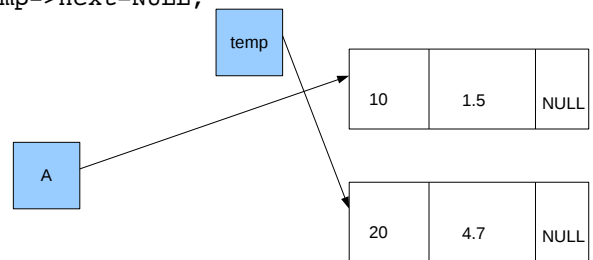
`temp = new Node;` //used the same pointer, but this points to a new location in memory



Linked-lists

Load the second set of values into it:

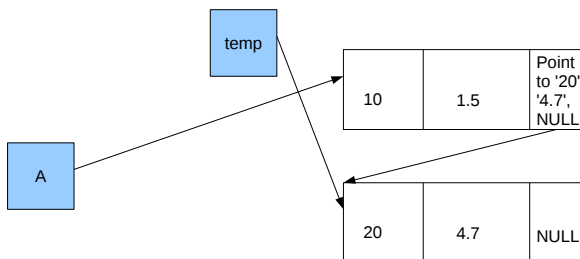
`temp->accnumber=20;` //load the values
`temp->balance=4.7;`
`temp->next=NULL;`



Linked-lists

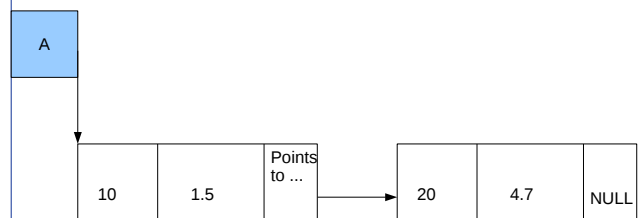
Then, link the **second** element to the **first**:

`A->next=temp;` //copies the **location** of temp



Linked-lists

Rearranging the figure, this is the linked-list at this point...



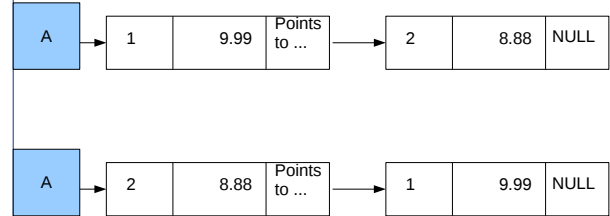
Discussion: what happens if we create more elements?
Add to the Head or to the Tail? Which one is simpler?

Sample Linked-list in C++

```
#include <stdio.h>
struct Node { //declaration
    int accnumber;
    float balance;
    Node *next;
};
Node *A; //declaration

int main() {
    A = NULL;
    AddNode(A, 1, 9.99);
    AddNode(A, 2, 8.88);
    AddNode(A,...); //other elements...
}
```

Head or Tail?



NOTES: Until we look inside AddNode(), we do not know in which *order* the elements will fit.

Two options: new elements *before* the Head, OR new elements *after* the Tail

AddNode() Algorithm

Pseudo-code: to explain the logic in "false" computer language

Algorithm AddNode

Required: List listpointer, integer a, float b

Output: void

- 1: create a Node temp
- 2: allocate memory to temp
- 3: copy a to accnumber of temp
- 4: copy b to balance of temp
- 5: copy listpointer to next of temp
- 6: copy temp to listpointer

AddNode() in C++

```
void AddNode(Node * &listpointer, int a, float b) {
    // add a new node to the FRONT of the list
    Node *temp;
    temp = new Node;
    temp->accnumber = a;
    temp->balance = b;
    temp->next = listpointer;
    listpointer = temp;
}
```

Reference and pointers

Subtle syntax in C/C++

A function can get parameters using pointers and/or references:

```
void function1( Node * listpointer...
```

In this case, the pointer to listpointer is passed as reference (a copy of the address is made). Changing listpointer does not alter A or B

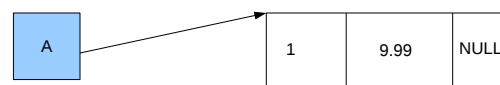
```
void function2( Node * &listpointer...
```

In this case, the pointer is itself passed to the function, so changing listpointer changes A or B...

AddNode(): where?

```
void AddNode(Node * &listpointer, int a, float b) {
    // add a new node to the FRONT of the list
    Node *temp;
    temp = new Node;
    temp->accnumber = a;
    temp->balance = b;
    temp->next = listpointer;
    listpointer = temp;
}
```

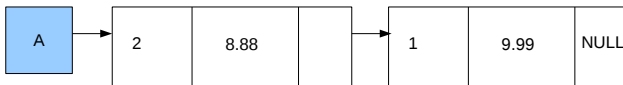
NOTE: AddNode(listpointer, 1, 9.99);
we start with A=NULL;
Then, temp->next = NULL;



AddNode(): add 2nd node?

```
void AddNode(Node * & listpointer, int a, float b) {
// add a new node to the FRONT of the list
Node *temp;
temp = new Node;
temp->accnumber = a;
temp->balance = b;
temp->next = listpointer;
listpointer = temp;
}
```

NOTE: AddNode(listpointer, 2, 8.88);
we start with A pointing to '1';
Then, temp->next points to '1'
A points to temp (now '2')



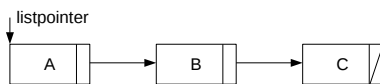
AddNode(): inserts to front

```
void AddNode(Node * & listpointer, int a, float b) {
// add a new node to the FRONT of the list
Node *temp;
temp = new Node;
temp->accnumber = a;
temp->balance = b;
temp->next = listpointer;
listpointer = temp;
}
```

Therefore, this AddNode() function inserts nodes to the **front** of the linked-list.
The order is **REVERSED**!

PrintLL(): Printing a linked-list

- Now we want to print the linked-list
- However, we only have one pointer!
- How can we find all the other elements??
- We have to follow the **next** pointers....
- Schematically, we find the first node, then follow the pointers.



Print: step-by-step

- Create a pointer "current", of same type as node
- **current** initially points to the first element of the linked-list, listpointer
- At any point, if **current** is NULL, then we reached the **end** of the list (last element)
- While the loop condition is valid, we can print the contents of the element (node) of the linked-list:

current->accnumber

current->balance

Print the linked-list: pseudo-code

Algorithm PrintLinkedList

Required: List listpointer

Output: void

```
1: declare current (a pointer of type Node)
2: copy listpointer to current
3: while (true) do
4:   if (current is NULL) then
5:     break
6:   end if
7:   print accnumber and balance
8:   copy next of current to current
9: end while
```

Notes: the key to understand the code is in line 8. The pointer called **current** moves one position forward.

Print the linked-list: pseudo-code

Algorithm PrintLinkedList

Required: List listpointer

Output: void

```
1: declare current (a pointer of type Node)
2: current = listpointer
3: while (true) do
4:   if (current == NULL) then
5:     break
6:   end if
7:   print accnumber and balance
8:   current = current->next
9: end while
```

Notes: the key to understand the code is in line 8. The pointer called **current** moves one position forward.

Print the linked-list

```
void PrintLinkedList(Node *listpointer) {
// print all elements
Node *current;
current = listpointer;
while (true) {
    if (current == NULL) { break; }
    printf("Account %i balance is %1.2f\n",
        current->accnumber, current->balance);
    current = current->next; //this is important!!
}
printf("End of the list.\n");
}
```

Observe how the **current** pointer is being used.
The infinite **while** loop can be modified later..

Print example

```
int main() {
    AddNode(A, 1, 9.99);
    AddNode(A, 2, 8.88);
    AddNode(A, 3, 7.77);
    PrintLinkedList(A);
}
```

Output:

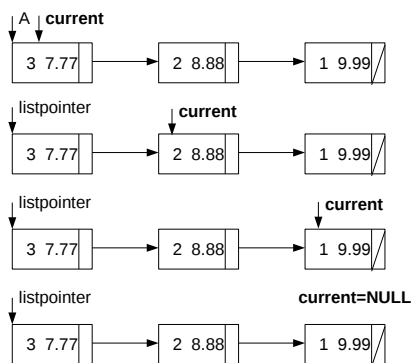
Account 3 balance is 7.77
Account 2 balance is 8.88
Account 1 balance is 9.99
End of the list.

PrintLinkedList(A) example

```
int main() {
    AddNode(A, 1, 9.99);
    AddNode(A, 2, 8.88);
    AddNode(A, 3, 7.77);
    PrintLinkedList(A);
}
```

Schematically:

Output:
Account 3 balance is 7.77
Account 2 balance is 8.88
Account 1 balance is 9.99
End of the list.



AddNode2(): insert after tail

- Create a pointer "current", of same type as node
- **current** initially points to the first element of the linked-list, listpointer
- We need to stop the **current** pointer just **before** the **end** of the list
- We can then add the new element:
 - Making sure that **current** points to the new element
 - The new element points to NULL.
 - Check whether the list was empty before inserting this element!

AddNode2(): insert after tail

```
void AddNode2(Node*& listpointer, int a, float b) {
// add a new node to the TAIL of the list
Node *current;
current=listpointer;
if(current!=NULL){
    while (current->next!=NULL){
        current=current->next;
    }
} // now current points to the last element
Node *temp;
temp = new Node;
temp->accnumber = a;
temp->balance = b;
temp->next = NULL;
if(current!=NULL) current->next = temp;
else listpointer=temp;
}
```

AddNode2() example

```
int main() {
    AddNode2(A, 1, 9.99);
    AddNode2(A, 2, 8.88);
    AddNode2(A, 3, 7.77);
    PrintLL(A);
}
```

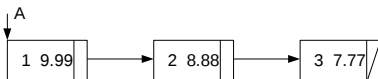
Output:

Account 1 balance is 9.99
Account 2 balance is 8.88
Account 3 balance is 7.77
End of the list.

AddNode2() example

```
int main() {
    AddNode2(A, 1, 9.99);
    AddNode2(A, 2, 8.88);
    AddNode2(A, 3, 7.77);
    PrintLL(A);
}
```

Schematically:



AddNode() X AddNode2()

AddNode() inserts elements in **reverse** order
AddNode2() inserts in the same sequence

Which one is better?

More important: which one performs better?

AddNode() inserts without traversing the LL

AddNode2() has to **traverse** the entire LL to find the last element...

Linked-lists Search and Remove

We know how to **add** nodes and **print** nodes of our lists.

We also need some extra functions to deal with elements, such as **Search** and **Remove**.

We need to deal with pointers appropriately to achieve that, it is easy to make a subtle mistake and crash...

Search step-by-step

- Create a pointer "current", of same type as node
- current initially points to the list, which is the first element of the linked-list
- At any point, if current is NULL → reached the **end** of the list (last element)
- We keep checking for accnumber and update current=current->next;
- Note that we go through the entire list, and we either find the accnumber we look for. Or reach the end of the list, so we print a message saying we did not find it.

Search a linked-list: pseudo-code

Algorithm SearchLinkedList

Required: List listpointer, integer x

Output: void

```

1: declare current (a pointer of type Node)
2: current = listpointer
3: while (true) do
4:   if (current == NULL) then
5:     break
6:   end if
7:   if (x == current->accnumber) then
8:     print accnumber and balance
9:     return
10:  end if
11:  current = current->next
12: end while
13: print error message

```

Linked-lists Search

```

void Search(Node *listpointer, int x) {
    // search for the node with account number equal to x
    Node *current;
    current = listpointer;
    while (true) {
        if (current == NULL) { break; }
        if (current->accnumber == x) {
            printf("Balance of %i is %1.2f\n",
                x, current->balance);
            return;
        }
        current = current->next;
    }
    printf("Account %i is not in the list.\n", x);
}

```

Search example

```
int main() {
    AddNode(A, 1, 9.99);
    AddNode(A, 2, 8.88);
    AddNode(A, 3, 7.77);
    Search(A, 123);
    Search(A, 1);
    Search(A, 2);
    Search(A, 3);
}
```

Output:

Account 123 is not in the list.
Balance of 1 is 9.99
Balance of 2 is 8.88
Balance of 3 is 7.77

Remove nodes: pseudo-code

Algorithm RemoveNode

Required: List listpointer, integer x

Output: void

```
1: declare current and prev (pointers to Node)
2: current = listpointer, prev = NULL
3: while (current != NULL)
4:   if (current->accnumber == x) then break;
5:   end if
6:   prev = current;
7:   current = current->next;
8: end while
9: prev->next = current->next;
10: delete current;
```

Note: the algorithm only works when removing nodes from lists with several nodes, where **x** exists...

Linked-lists Remove nodes

```
void Remove(Node * &listpointer, int x) {
    Node *current, *prev; //why do we need 2 pointers?
    current = listpointer;
    prev = NULL;
    while (current != NULL) {
        if (current->accnumber == x) { break; }
        prev = current;
        current = current->next;
    }
    if (prev == NULL) {
        listpointer = listpointer->next;
    } else {
        prev->next = current->next;
    }
    delete current;
}
```

RemoveNode example

```
int main() {
    AddNode(A, 1, 9.99);
    AddNode(A, 2, 8.88);
    AddNode(A, 3, 7.77);
    AddNode(A, 4, 6.66);
    AddNode(A, 5, 5.55);
    Search(A, 2);
    Remove(A, 2);
    Search(A, 2);
}
```

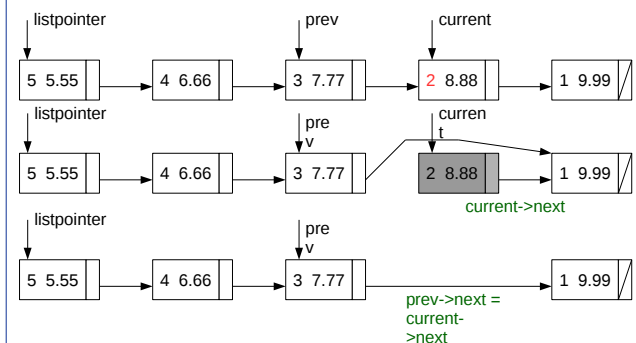
Balance of 2 is 8.88
Account 2 is not in the list.

RemoveNode step-by-step

- Two pointers, "current" and "prev"
- current initially points to the list
- prev initially points to nothing (NULL)
- While current is not NULL, search the list until find X. Keep swapping prev = current
- If X is found, change prev pointer to jump one element
- Now we can delete the element by deallocating current

RemoveNode

Schematically: removing accnumber==2:



Question: what happens if...

```
int main() {
    Node A = NULL;
    AddNode(A, 1, 9.99);
    AddNode(A, 2, 8.88);
    AddNode(A, 3, 7.77);
    AddNode(A, 4, 6.66);
    AddNode(A, 5, 5.55);
    Search(A, 2);
    RemoveNode(A, 2);
    Search(A, 2);
    RemoveNode(A, 2); //try to remove again
}
```

Balance of 2 is 8.88
Account 2 is not in the list.

Answer:

```
int main() {
    Node A = NULL;
    AddNode(A, 1, 9.99);
    AddNode(A, 2, 8.88);
    AddNode(A, 3, 7.77);
    AddNode(A, 4, 6.66);
    AddNode(A, 5, 5.55);
    Search(A, 2);
    RemoveNode(A, 2);
    Search(A, 2);
    RemoveNode(A, 2); //try to remove again
}
```

Balance of 2 is 8.88
Account 2 is not in the list.
Segmentation fault!!!

Linked-lists Remove nodes

```
void Remove(Node * & listpointer, int x) {
    Node *current, *prev; //why do we need 2 pointers?
    current = listpointer;
    prev = NULL;
    while (current != NULL) {
        if (current->accnumber == x) { break; }
        prev = current;
        current = current->next;
    }
    if (current == NULL) return; //avoid segm. fault
    if (prev == NULL) {
        listpointer = listpointer->next;
    } else {
        prev->next = current->next;
    }
    delete current;
}
```

Extra pointers

Pointers can be added to point to

rear
middle
one third etc...

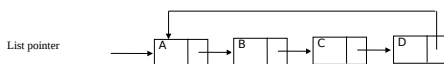
Or a combination of the above

Can any of these pointer help with the performance?
How?

New search functions can be devised. What is the advantage?

More about linked-lists next week

Circular lists



Doubly-linked-lists

