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Data Structures

## 1. ADT PriorityQueue

**Data:** A collection of elements each associated with a priority.

**Operations:**

- `insert(item, priority)`: Inserts an item with the given priority into the priority queue.
- `extractMax()`: Removes and returns the item with the highest priority.
- `isEmpty()`: Returns true if the priority queue is empty, false otherwise.
- `peekMax()`: Returns the item with the highest priority without removing it.
- `changePriority(item, newPriority)`: Changes the priority of the given item to the new priority.

Operation `insert(item, priority)`

Input: item - the element to be inserted

priority - the priority of the item

Output: none

Effect: The item is inserted into the priority queue with the specified priority

Operation `extractMax()`

Input: none

Output: the item with the highest priority

Effect: The item with the highest priority is removed from the priority queue

Operation `isEmpty()`

Input: none

Output: boolean - true if the priority queue is empty, false otherwise

Operation `peekMax()`

Input: none

Output: the item with the highest priority

Effect: The item with the highest priority is returned without being removed from the priority queue

Operation `changePriority(item, newPriority)`

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Input: item - the element whose priority needs to be changed
       newPriority - the new priority of the item
Output: none
Effect: The priority of the specified item is updated to the new priority
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## 2. Algorithm to Reverse a Singly Linked List

Algorithm ReverseLinkedList(head)

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Input: head - the head of the singly linked list
Output: the new head of the reversed list

1. Initialize previous to null
2. Initialize current to head
3. While current is not null
   a. next <- current.next
   b. current.next <- previous
   c. previous <- current
   d. current <- next
4. Return previous as the new head of the reversed list
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## 3. Average Number of Nodes Accessed in Search

**Unordered List (Linked Structure):**

- Average case:  $\frac{n+1}{2}$
- Justification: On average, the element is located halfway through the list.

**Ordered List (Linked Structure):**

- Average case:  $\frac{n+1}{2}$
- Justification: Similar to an unordered list, on average, the element is located halfway through the list.

**Unordered Array:**

- Average case:  $\frac{n+1}{2}$
- Justification: Similar to an unordered list, on average, the element is located halfway through the array.

**Ordered Array:**

- Average case:  $\log_2(n)$
- Justification: Binary search can be used, which halves the search space each time.

#### 4. Routine to Interchange the mth and nth Elements of a Singly-Linked List

Algorithm InterchangeNodes(head, m, n)

Input: head - the head of the singly linked list  
       m - the position of the first node to be interchanged  
       n - the position of the second node to be interchanged

Output: none

1. If m equals n, return (no changes needed)
2. Initialize current to head
3. Initialize prevM, nodeM, prevN, and nodeN to null
4. Traverse the list to find the mth node:
  - a. For i from 1 to m-1
    - i. prevM <- current
    - ii. current <- current.next
  - b. nodeM <- current
5. Traverse the list to find the nth node:
  - a. current <- head
  - b. For i from 1 to n-1
    - i. prevN <- current
    - ii. current <- current.next
  - c. nodeN <- current
6. If prevM is not null
  - a. prevM.next <- nodeN
 Else  
 b. head <- nodeN
7. If prevN is not null
  - a. prevN.next <- nodeM
 Else  
 b. head <- nodeM
8. Swap the next pointers of nodeM and nodeN:
  - a. temp <- nodeM.next
  - b. nodeM.next <- nodeN.next
  - c. nodeN.next <- temp

