## DATA STRUCTURES

UNIT-2 Linked List

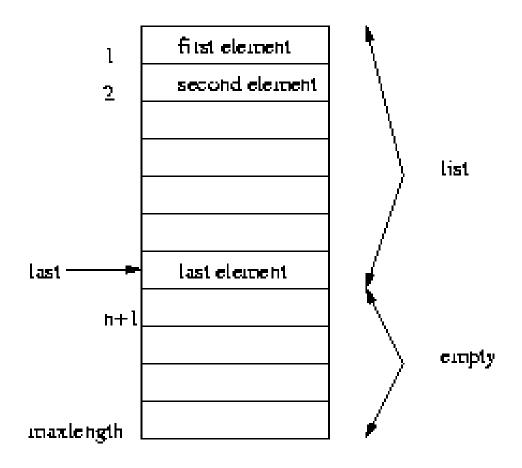
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### **Topics**

- Limitations of the Array Implementation
- Motivation for Linked List
- Types of Linked List
- Single Linked List Characteristics
- Linked List ADT
- Operations on Linked List and their implementation
- Other Types of Linked List
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# **Array Implementation**

• Elements are stored in contiguous array positions



# Array Implementation...

- Requires an estimate of the maximum size of the list
- waste of space
- Print List and find: linear
- Find Kth element: constant
- insert and delete: slow
  - e.g. insert at position k (making a new element)
    - requires first pushing the array down one spot from k to n to make space at k position
  - e.g. delete at position k
    - requires shifting the elements from k+1 to n in the list up one
  - On average, half of the lists needs to be moved for either operation

# **Array Limitations**

- Arrays are suitable for:
  - Inserting/deleting an element at the end.
  - Randomly accessing any element.
  - Searching the list for a particular value.

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# Array versus Linked Lists

- Arrays are suitable for:
  - Inserting/deleting an element at the end.
  - Randomly accessing any element.
  - Searching the list for a particular value.
- Linked lists are suitable for:
  - Inserting an element at required location.
  - Deleting an element from required location.
  - Applications where sequential access is required.
  - In situations where the number of elements cannot be predicted beforehand.

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### **Types of Linked list**

#### Single Linked list

There is a head pointer, and one next pointer per element. The last element's pointer is null. Traversed in only one direction

#### > Double Linked list

There is a head pointer, and each element contains two pointers, one to the previous element and one to the next element. Traversed in two directions, making insertion and deletion a bit easier, at the cost of extra memory.

#### Circular Linked list

Same as Singly/Doubly linked, except that the last element's pointer points back to the first element's pointer. These used as queues.

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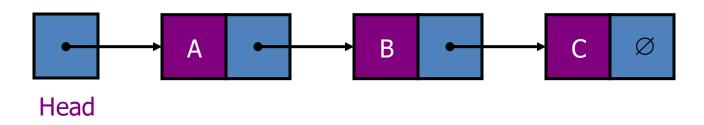
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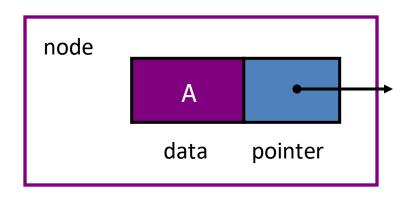
#### Linked Lists

- ➤ A **Linked List** is an ordered collection of data in which each element contains the location of the next element.
- ➤ In a linked list, each element contains two parts: data and one or more links
- ➤ A linked list is simply a chain of structures which contain a pointer to the next element.
- ➤ It is dynamic in nature. Items may be added to it or deleted from it at any location.
- The last node has a reference to null. The entry point into a linked list is called the **head** of the list. It should be noted that head is not a separate node, but the reference to the first node

#### Linked Lists

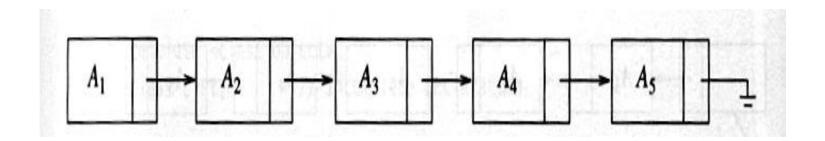


- A linked list is a series of connected nodes
- Each node contains at least
  - A piece of data (any type)
  - Pointer to the next node in the list
- Head: pointer to the first node
- The last node points to NULL



## Linked List Implementation

- Ensure that the list is not stored contiguously
  - a series of structures that are not necessarily adjacent in memory



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#### **Linked List ADT**

#### ADT Linked List

**Objects:** a finite list with zero or more elements

#### **Functions:**

- Create node(): creates a new node which is empty.
- Insert(item): adds a new item to the linked list at the specified position.
- **Delete(item):** removes the specified item from linked list.
- **Is Empty(queue):** tests to see whether the queue is empty. It returns a Boolean value.
- Search(item): search for an item in the linked list.

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# Operations on Linked List

- Create
- Insert
  - At Starting
  - In the specified location
  - At the End
- Delete
  - At Starting
  - At the End
  - Delete Specified
- Search
- Traversing

#### **Creating a Node**

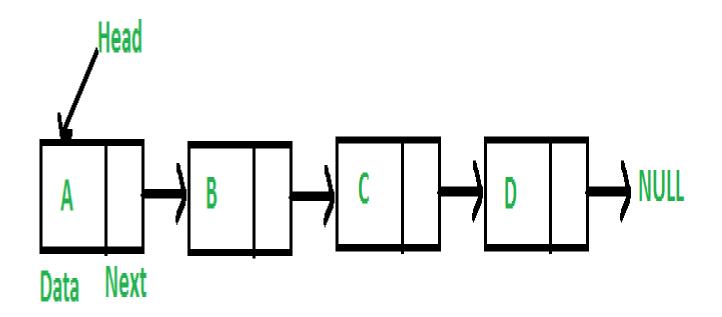
Node can be created using structure Data type.

```
Struct node
{
Int number;
Struct node *next;
}
struct node *head=null;
```

# Traversing a linked list

 Repeat the process of printing the data values of the nodes until the next of the node is NULL.

# Traversing a linked list



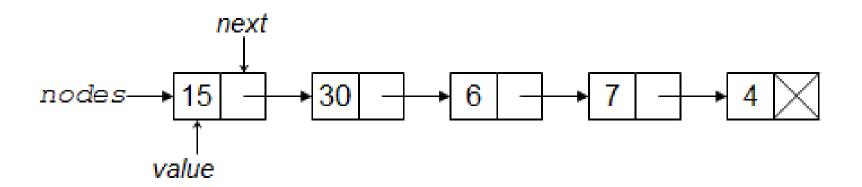
## Traversing a linked list

```
Algorithm display()
  struct node *temp;
  temp = head;
  if(temp == NULL) then
     write Nothing to print;
  else
     while (temp!=NULL) do
       write temp->data;
       temp = temp -> next;
```

# Searching in a linked list

 Repeat the process of comparing the search element with data values of the nodes until match occurs or the next of the node is NULL.

# Searching in a linked list

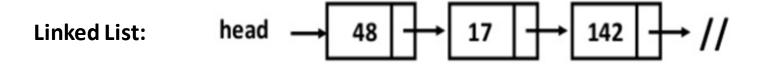


# Searching a linked list

```
Algorithm search()
{
    struct node *temp;
    temp = head;
    if(temp == NULL) then
    {
        Write Empty List;
    }
    else
    {
        Read Item
```

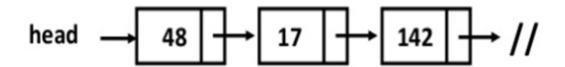
```
while (temp!=NULL) do
      if(temp->data == item) then
          write item found;
          flag=0;
          return;
       else
         flag=1;
          temp = temp -> next;
 if(flag==1) then
       write Item not found;
```

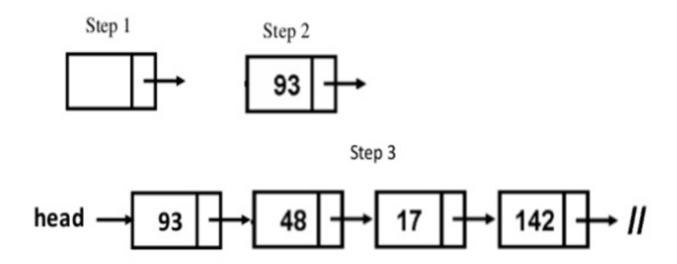
#### Insertion a node



Node to be added with value 93

# Insertion at the beginning





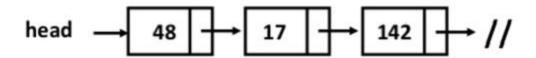
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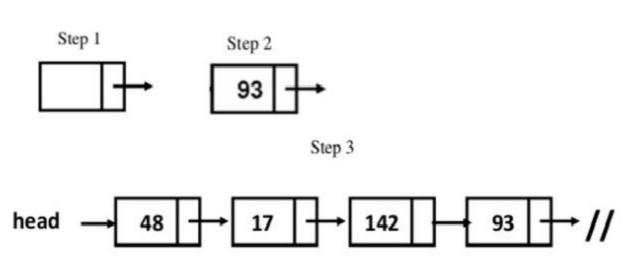
- Step 1: create a node
- Step 2: place the item in the data field
- Step 3: Adjust the pointers
  - Place the new node next as current header/starting
  - Make new node as header

## Insertion at the beginning

```
Algorithm Begin insert()
  struct node *newnode;
  Allocate the memory to newnode;
  if(newnode == NULL) then
    write memory not allocated;
  else
    read item;
    newnode ->data = item;
    newnode ->next = head;
    head = newnode;
     //use traverse to check whether the item inserted or not;
```

#### Insertion at the End





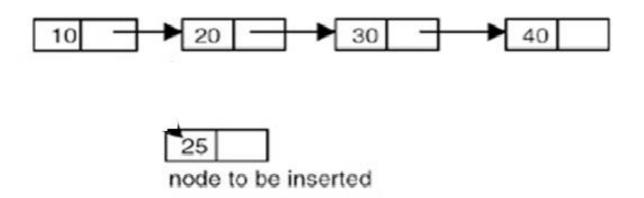
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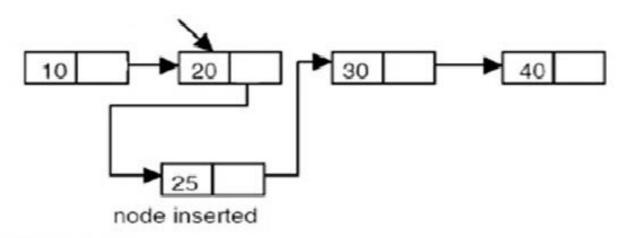
- Step 1: create a node
- Step 2: place the item in the data field
- Step 3: Adjust the pointers
  - Traverse up to the last node
  - Place the new node as the next of last node
  - Make new node next as NULL

## Inserting at the End

```
Algorithm Insert-End ()
  struct node * newnode, *temp;
                                     else
 Allocate the memory to newnode;
 if(newnode == NULL) then
                                            temp = head;
                                            while (temp -> next != NULL) do
    write memory not allocated;
                                              temp = temp -> next;
  else
                                            temp->next = newnode;
    read item;
                                             newnode ->next = NULL;
    newnode ->data = item;
    if(head == NULL) then
       newnode -> next = NULL;
       head = newnode;
```

# Inserting after the specified location





After insertion

### Inserting after the specified location

- Step 1: create a new node
- Step 2: place the item in the data field of new node
- Step 3: Adjust the pointers
  - Traverse up to the specified location
  - Store the next of the specified node in new node next
  - Place the new node as the next of specified node

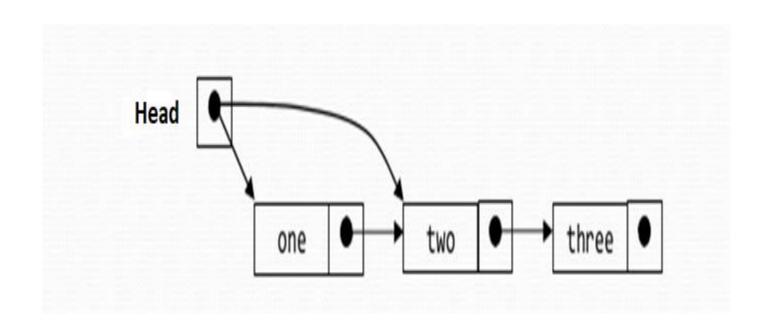
### Insertion after the specified location

```
Algorithm random-insert()
   struct node * newnode, *temp;
Allocate the memory to newnode;
  if(newnode == NULL) then
    write memory not allocated;
  else
     Read Item;
     Read the location
    newnode ->data = item;
     temp=head;
```

```
for i=1 to loc-1 do
    temp = temp->next;
    if(temp == NULL)
      write cannot insert;
newnode ->next = temp ->next ;
temp ->next = newnode;
```

# **Deleting a Node**

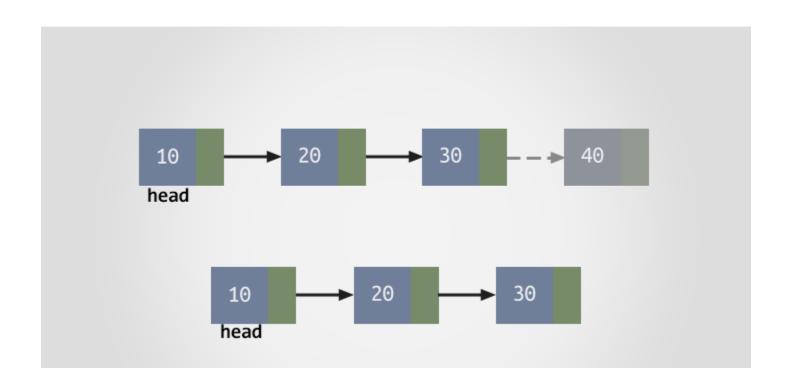
- Delete at beginning
- Delete at end
- Delete the specified location



- Step 1: check whether the list is empty or not.
- Step 2: If empty display that list is empty
- Step 3: Adjust the pointers
  - Save head as temp
  - Place the next of temp as current header
  - Delete the temp

```
Algorithm begin delete()
  struct node *temp;
  if(head == NULL) then
     Write List is empty;
  else
    temp = head;
    head = temp->next;
    free(temp);
```

#### **Deletion at the End**

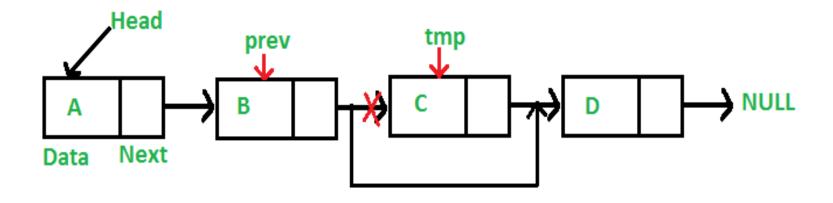


#### Deletion at the end

- Step 1: check whether the list is empty or not.
- Step 2: If empty display that list is empty
- Step 3: if the list contains single node, delete it and make the head as null.
- Step 4: Otherwise Adjust the pointers
  - Save head as temp
  - Move up to the last
  - Place the next of last but one as null
  - Delete the temp

#### **Deletion at the End**

```
Algorithm last_delete()
                                      else
  struct node *temp,*prev;
                                          temp = head;
                                          while(temp->next != NULL)do
  if(head == NULL) then
                                              prev = temp;
     Write List is empty;
                                              temp = temp ->next;
  else if(head -> next == NULL) then
                                           prev->next = NULL;
                                           free(temp);
     head = NULL;
     free(head);
```



- Step 1: check whether the list is empty or not.
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- Step 3: Otherwise Adjust the pointers
  - Save head as temp
  - Move up to the specified location
  - Place the next of specified location in previous of specified location
  - Delete the temp

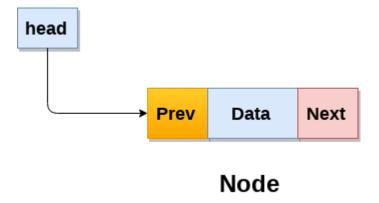
```
Algorithm random_delete()
  struct node *temp,*prev;
  read location;
  temp=head;
  for i= 1 to loc-1 do
     prev = temp;
     temp = temp->next;
     if(temp == NULL)
       Write cannot delete;
       return;
  prev ->next = temp ->next;
  free(temp);
```

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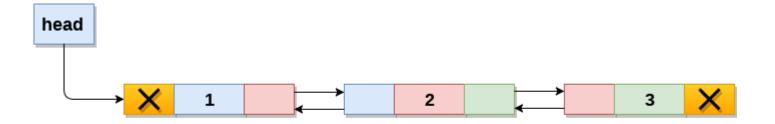
#### **Double Linked List**

- Doubly linked list is a complex type of linked list in which a node contains a pointer to the previous as well as the next node in the sequence.
- Therefore, in a doubly linked list, a node consists of three parts: node data, pointer to the next node in sequence (next pointer), pointer to the previous node (previous pointer).
- A sample node in a doubly linked list is shown in the figure.



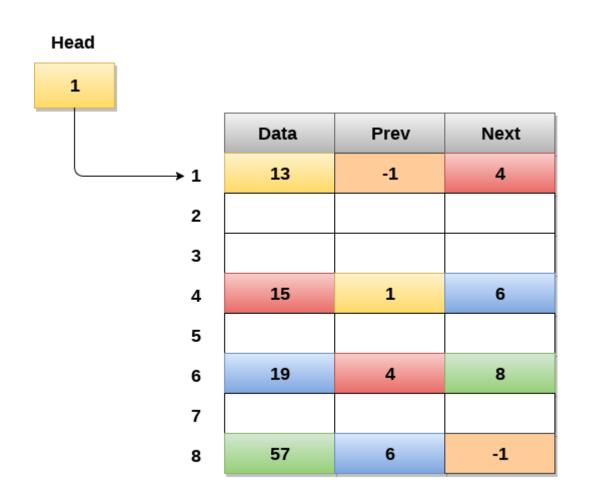
#### **Double Linked List**

• A doubly linked list containing three nodes having numbers from 1 to 3 in their data part.



**Doubly Linked List** 

#### **Double Linked List**



Memory Representation of a Doubly linked list

## Operations on Double Linked List

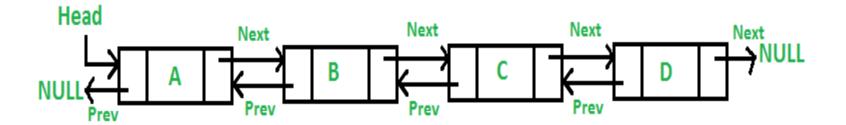
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### Creating a node in double linked list

structure of a node in doubly linked list can be given as:

```
struct node
{
    struct node *prev;
    int data;
    struct node *next;
}
struct node *head;
```

# Traversing a double linked list



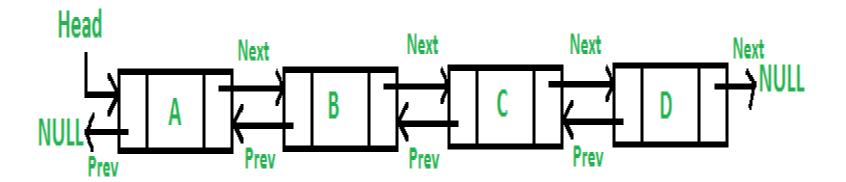
## Traversing a double linked list

 Repeat the process of printing the data values of the nodes until the next of the node is NULL.

### Traversing a double linked list

```
Algorithm display()
  struct node *temp;
  temp = head;
  if(temp == NULL) then
     write Nothing to print;
  else
     while (temp!=NULL) do
       write temp->data;
       temp = temp -> next;
```

## Searching in a double linked list



### Searching in a double linked list

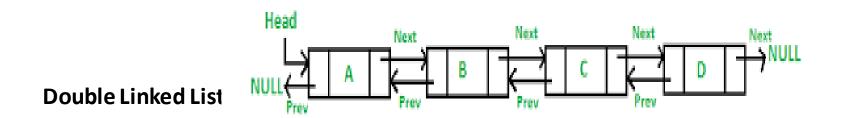
 Repeat the process of comparing the search element with data values of the nodes until match occurs or the next of the node is NULL.

### Searching a double linked list

```
Algorithm search()
{
    struct node *temp;
    temp = head;
    if(temp == NULL) then
    {
        Write Empty List;
    }
    else
    {
        Read Item
```

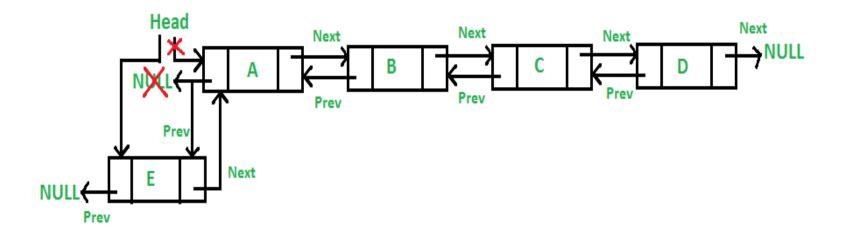
```
while (temp!=NULL) do
      if(temp->data == item) then
         write item found;
         return;
       else
         temp = temp -> next;
 write Item not found;
```

#### Insertion a node into double linked list



Node to be added with value E

## Insertion at the beginning



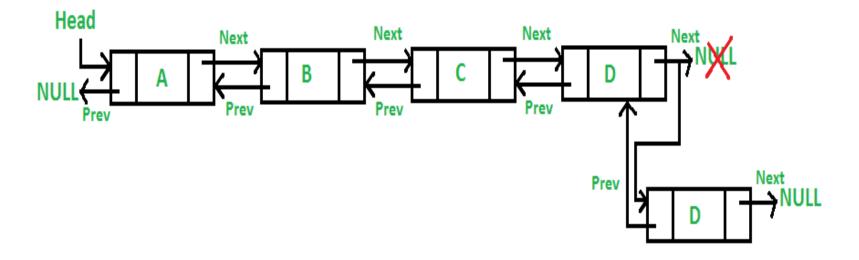
### Insertion at the beginning

- Step 1: create a node
- Step 2: place the item in the data field
- Step 3: Adjust the pointers
  - Make the prev of current header as new node
  - Place the new node next as current header/starting
  - Make the prev of new node as null
  - Make new node as header

## Insertion at the beginning

```
Algorithm insertion_beginning()
 struct node *newnode;
                                               else
 Allocate the memory to newnode;
 if(newnode == NULL)
                                                     newnode->prev=NULL;
   Write memory not allocated;
                                                    newnode->next = head;
                                                    head->prev=newnode;
 else
                                                    head=newnode;
    read item;
    newnode->data=item;
    if(head==NULL)
         newnode->next = NULL;
         newnode->prev=NULL;
         head=newnode;
```

### Insertion at the End



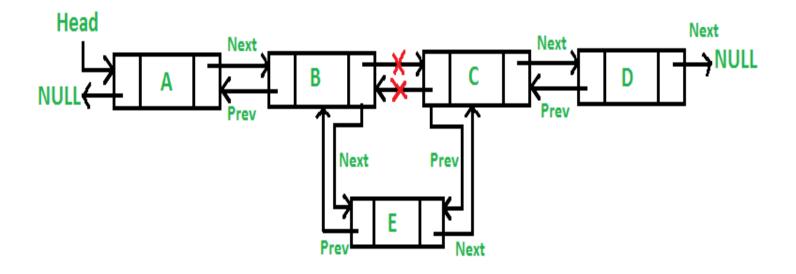
#### Insertion at the end

- Step 1: create a node
- Step 2: place the item in the data field
- Step 3: Adjust the pointers
  - Traverse to the last node
  - Make the last node next as new node
  - Place the new node prev as current last
  - Make the next of new node as null

#### Inserting at the End

```
void insertion last()
 struct node *newnode, *temp;
 Allocate memory to newnode;
                                               else
 if(newnode == NULL)
                                                temp = head;
   write memory not created;
                                                while(temp->next!=NULL)
 else
                                                  temp = temp->next;
    read item;
    newnode ->data=item;
                                                temp->next = newnode;
   if(head == NULL)
                                                 newnode ->prev=temp;
                                                 newnode ->next = NULL;
      newnode ->next = NULL;
      newnode ->prev = NULL;
      head = newnode;
```

## Inserting after the specified location



### Inserting after the specified location

- Step 1: create a new node
- Step 2: place the item in the data field of new node
- Step 3: Adjust the pointers
  - Traverse up to the specified location
  - Store the next of the specified node in new node next
  - Make the specified node as prev of new node
  - Place the new node as the next of specified node
  - Make the prev of specified next as newnode

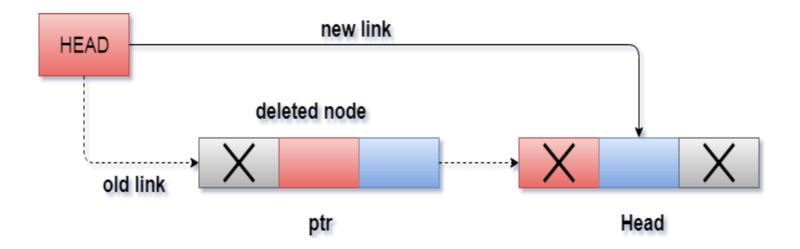
### Inserting after the specified location

```
Algorithm insertion_specified()
 struct node *newnode,*temp;
 Allocate the memory to newnode;
 if(newnode == NULL)
   write memory not allocated;
 else
   Read item, location;
   newnode ->data = item;
   temp=head;
```

```
for i=1 to loc-1 do
     temp = temp->next;
    if(temp == NULL)
      write less than the required elements;
       return;
   newnode ->next = temp->next;
   newnode -> prev = temp;
  temp->next = newnode;
   newnode ->next->prev= newnode;
```

# **Deleting a Node**

- Delete at beginning
- Delete at end
- Delete the specified location

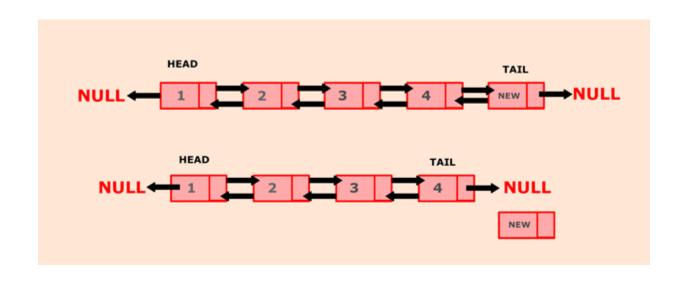


- Step 1: check whether the list is empty or not.
- Step 2: If empty display that list is empty
- Step 3: Adjust the pointers
  - Save head as temp
  - Place the next of temp as current header
  - Delete the temp

```
void deletion beginning()
  struct node *temp;
  if(head == NULL)
    write UNDERFLOW;
  else if(head->next == NULL)
    head = NULL;
    free(head);
    write node deleted;
  else
```

```
temp = head;
head = temp -> next;
head -> prev = NULL;
free(temp);
write node deleted;
```

#### **Deletion at the End**



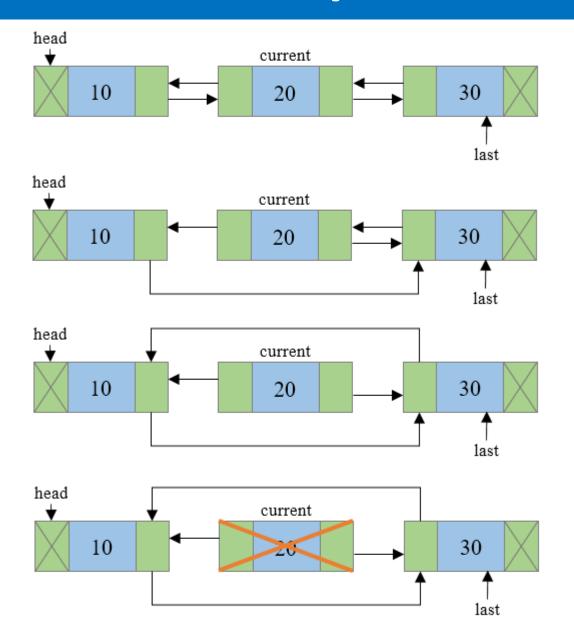
#### Deletion at the end

- Step 1: check whether the list is empty or not.
- Step 2: If empty display that list is empty
- Step 3: if the node contains single node, delete it and make the head as null.
- Step 4: Otherwise Adjust the pointers
  - Save head as temp
  - Move up to the last
  - Make last but one node next as null
  - Delete the temp

#### Deletion at the End

```
void deletion_last()
  struct node *temp;
  if(head == NULL)
    write UNDERFLOW;
  else if(head->next == NULL)
    head = NULL;
    free(head);
    write node deleted;
  else
```

```
temp = head;
if(temp ->next != NULL)
  pnode=temp;
  temp = temp -> next;
pnode -> next = NULL;
free(temp);
write node deleted;
```



- Step 1: check whether the list is empty or not.
- Step 2: If empty display that list is empty
- Step 3: Otherwise Adjust the pointers
  - Save head as temp
  - Move up to the specified location
  - Place the next of specified location as next of the previous node

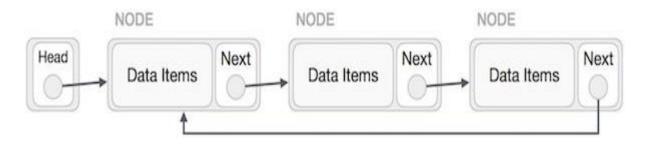
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```
Algorithm random_delete()
{
    struct node *temp,*pnode;
    if(head == NULL)
    {
        write UNDERFLOW;
    }
    else
{
        read location;
        temp=head;
```

```
for i= 1 to loc-1 do
     pnode = temp;
     temp = temp->next;
     if(temp == NULL)
       Write cannot delete;
       return;
  pnode ->next = temp ->next;
  temp->next->prev=pnode;
  free(temp);
```

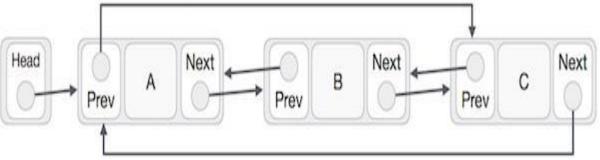
#### Circular linked list

Singly Linked List as Circular list:
 the next pointer of the last node points to the first node.



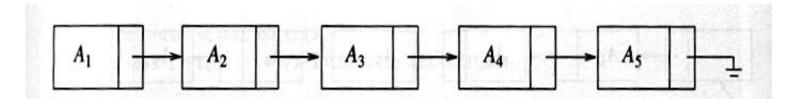
Doubly Linked List as Circular list:

the next pointer of the last node points to the first node and the previous pointer of the first node points to the last node



### Summary

- Limitation of arrays
  - Arrays are suitable for:
    - Inserting/deleting an element at the end.
    - Randomly accessing any element.
    - Searching the list for a particular value.
- Single linked list



Double linked list



**Doubly Linked List** 

Circular linked list