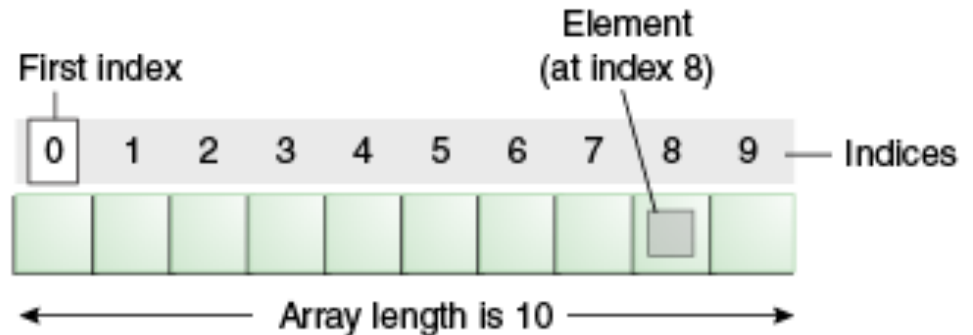


# **LINKED LISTS**

**IMPLEMENTATION OF LINKED LIST DATA  
STRUCTURE**

# REVIEW OF ARRAYS

```
int[] x= new int[10];  
x[8]=100;
```



- **Array elements are stored in contiguous memory addresses.**
- **Accessing a random array element in  $O(1)$** 
  - The [ ] operator is used to locate an element.
  - The address is calculated by adding a fixed offset to the base address.

# DISADVANTAGES OF ARRAYS

- **Array size is fixed.**
  - Even arrayList objects have a fixed capacity at any point. To add more elements, the whole array has to be reallocated in memory.
- **Adding extra elements to an arrayList using the .add() method is  $O(n)$**
- **Inserting elements at a random index in the array requires shifting all the elements to the right:  $O(n)$** 
  - Example: `a.add(3, "newElement");`

# LINKED LISTS

- **A list of elements of any type, similar in functionality to arrays and ArrayLists.**
- **Advantages:**
  - Linked lists don't have a fixed size or capacity.
  - Can insert elements anywhere in the list in  $O(1)$
- **Disadvantage:**
  - random access is not efficient:  $O(n)$

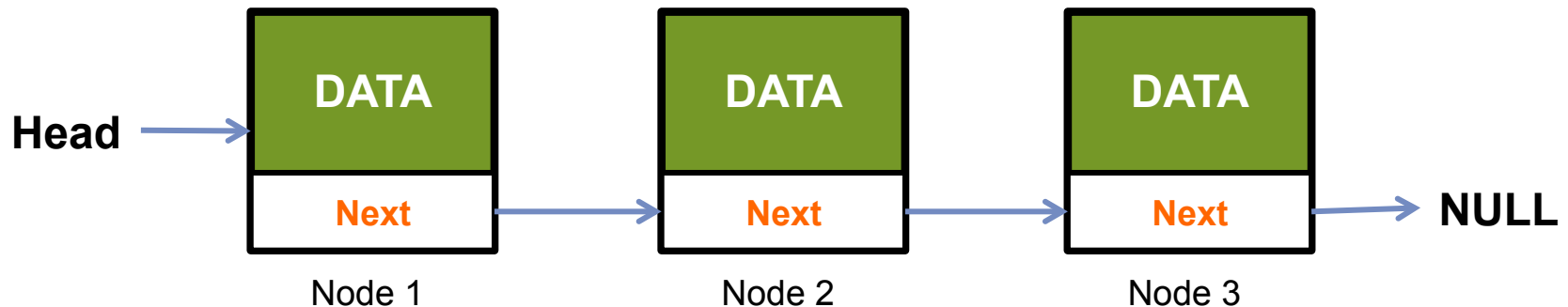
# LINKED LIST STRUCTURE

- Each element is allocated in its own memory space when created, independently of other elements.
- Elements are linked together using references
- Each elements consists of two fields: a **data** field, and a reference to the **next** node.



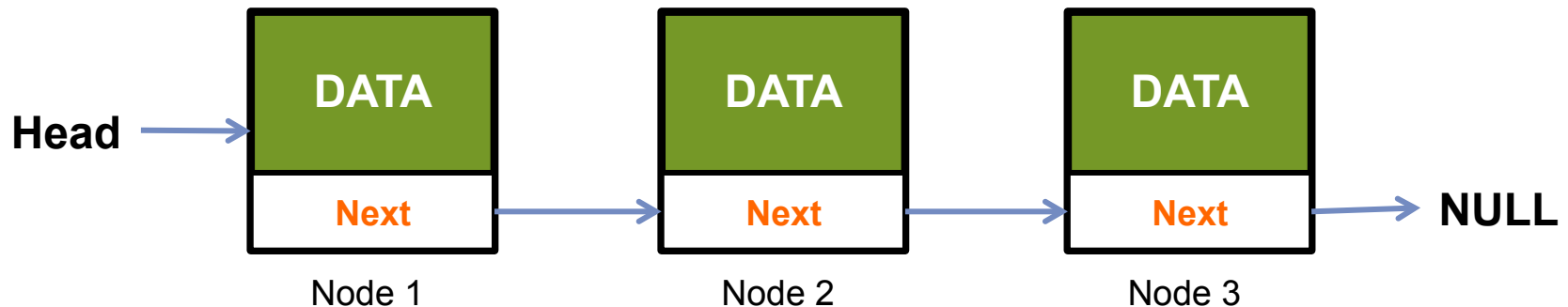
List Node

# LINKED LIST STRUCTURE



- The beginning of the list is stored in a 'head' reference, which points to the first element in the list.
- The first element contains a reference to the second element. The second element contains a reference to the third element .. and so on.
- The last node's next field points to NULL.

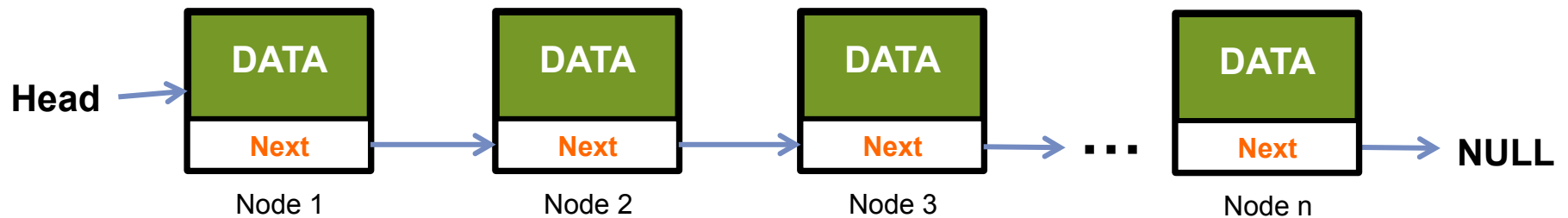
# LINKED LIST STRUCTURE



- a) Accessing the first element is straightforward using the head reference in  $O(1)$
- b) To access the second element, we first access the first element as in (a), then use its “Next” reference to access the second element.

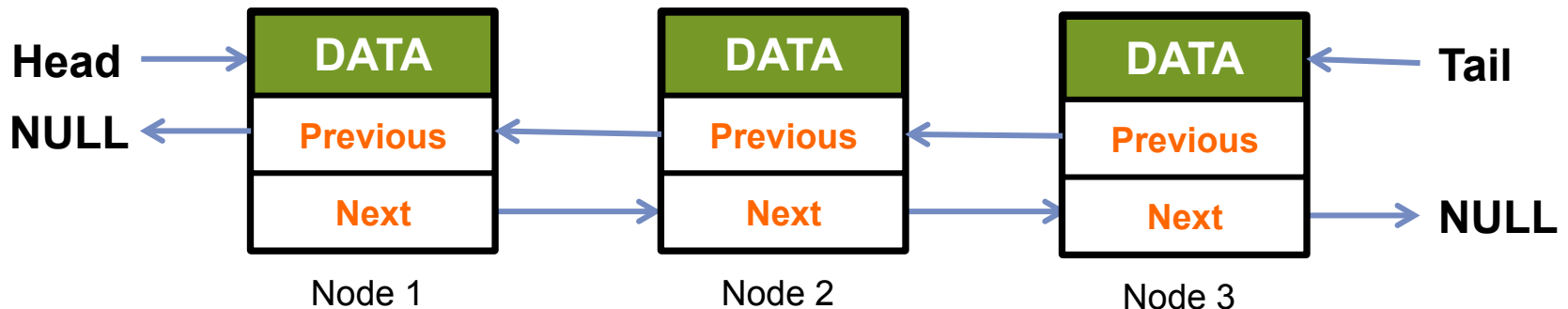
# LINKED LIST STRUCTURE

- Accessing elements farther from the first element is less efficient.





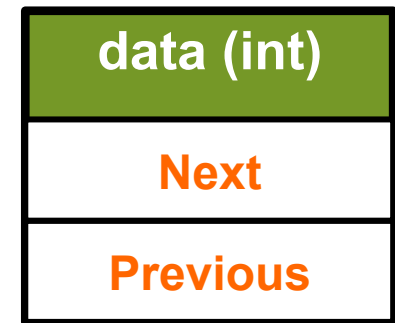
# DOUBLY LINKED LIST



- For more flexibility, we can add a reference to the previous node in addition to the next node.
- We can also add a reference to the last element “tail”
- We can access elements from both ends of the list.

# THE NODE CLASS

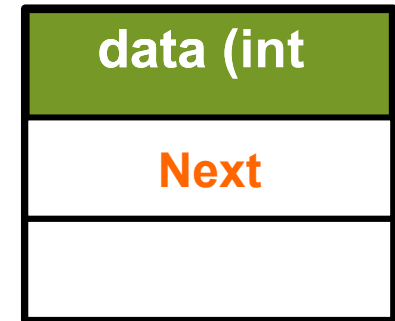
```
public class IntNode {  
    private int data;  
    private IntNode next;  
    private IntNode previous;  
  
    //initialize node  
    public IntNode(int value){  
        data=value;  
        next=null;  
        previous=null;  
    }  
}
```



IntNode Object

# THE NODE CLASS

```
//set link to next node
public void setData(int value){
    data=value;
}
//set link to next node
public void setNext(IntNode node){
    next=node;
}
//set link to previous node
public void setPrevious(IntNode node){
    previous=node;
}
```



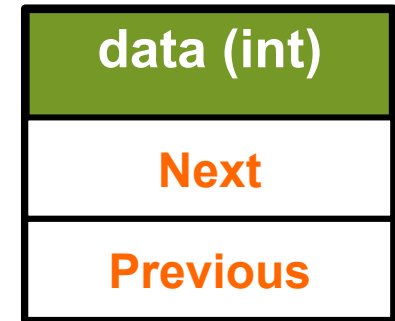
IntNode Object

# THE NODE CLASS

```
//return the data value
public int getData(){
    return data;
}

//return the next node
public IntNode getNext(){
    return next;
}

//return the previous node
public IntNode getPrevious(){
    return previous;
}
```



IntNode Object

# THE LINKED LIST CLASS

```
public class LinkedList {  
    //private variables:  
    private IntNode head;  
    private IntNode tail;  
  
    //constructor  
    public LinkedList(){  
        //empty linked list  
        head=null;  
        tail=null;  
    }  
}
```

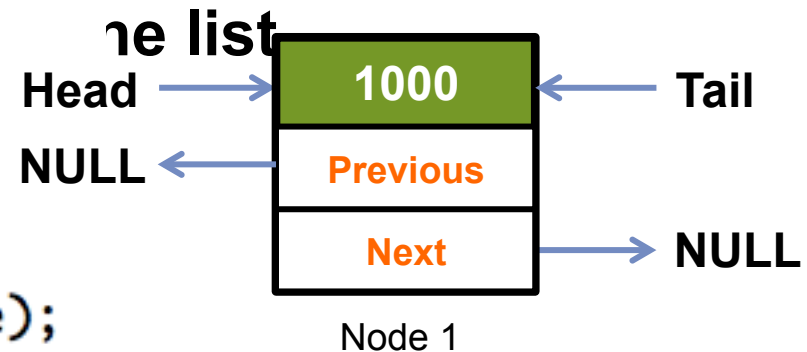


```
LinkedList x;  
x=new LinkedList();
```

# ADDING ELEMENTS

- To add the first element to the list

```
//add a node to the list
public void add(int value){
    //if list is empty
    if (head==null){
        head=new IntNode(value);
        tail=head;
    }
}
```

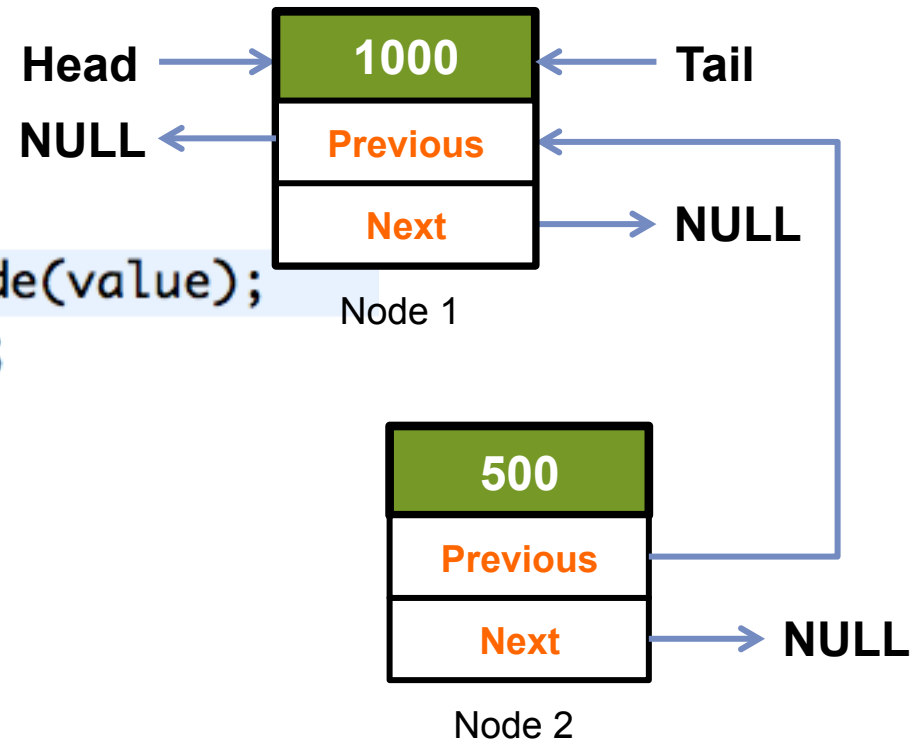


```
int element= 1000;
x.add(element);
```

# ADDING ELEMENTS

- To add another element to the list

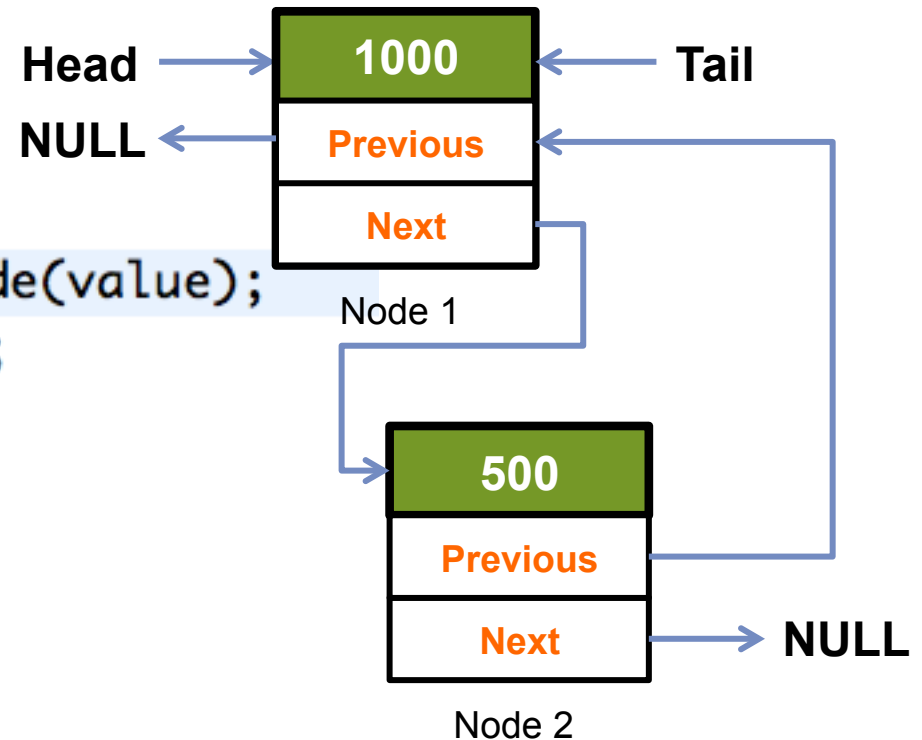
```
}else{  
    //create new Node  
    IntNode newNode=new IntNode(value);  
    newNode.setPrevious(tail);  
}
```



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    tail.setNext(newNode);  
}
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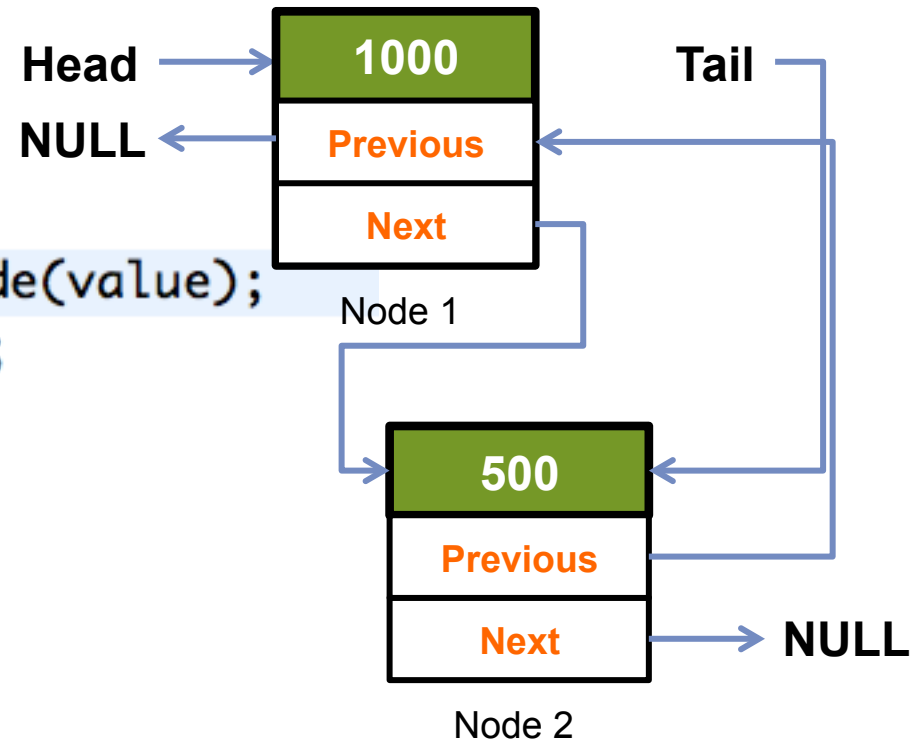




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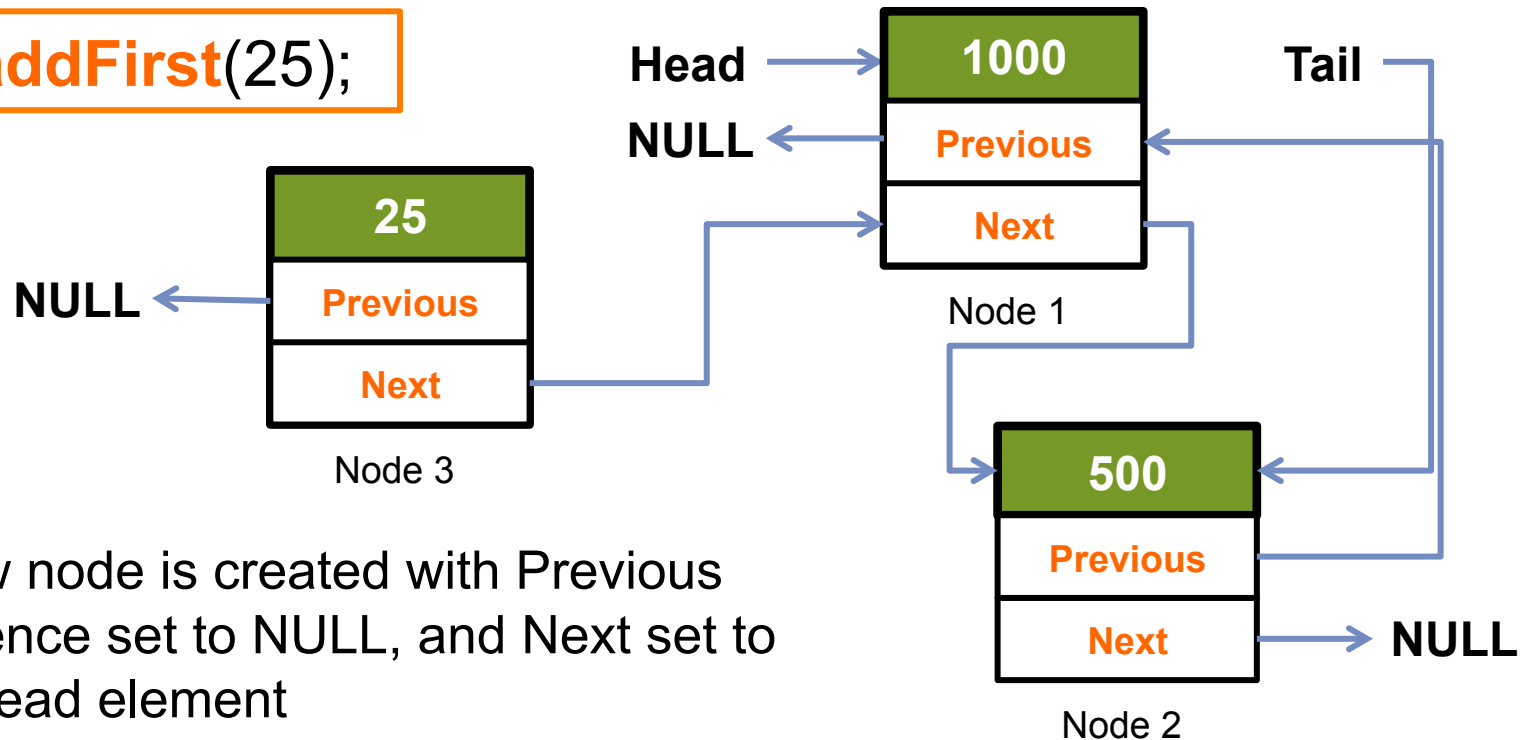
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}else{  
    //create new Node  
    IntNode newNode=new IntNode(value);  
    newNode.setPrevious(tail);  
    tail.setNext(newNode);  
    tail=newNode;  
}
```



# ADDING ELEMENTS

- To add an element to the beginning of the list

```
x.addFirst(25);
```

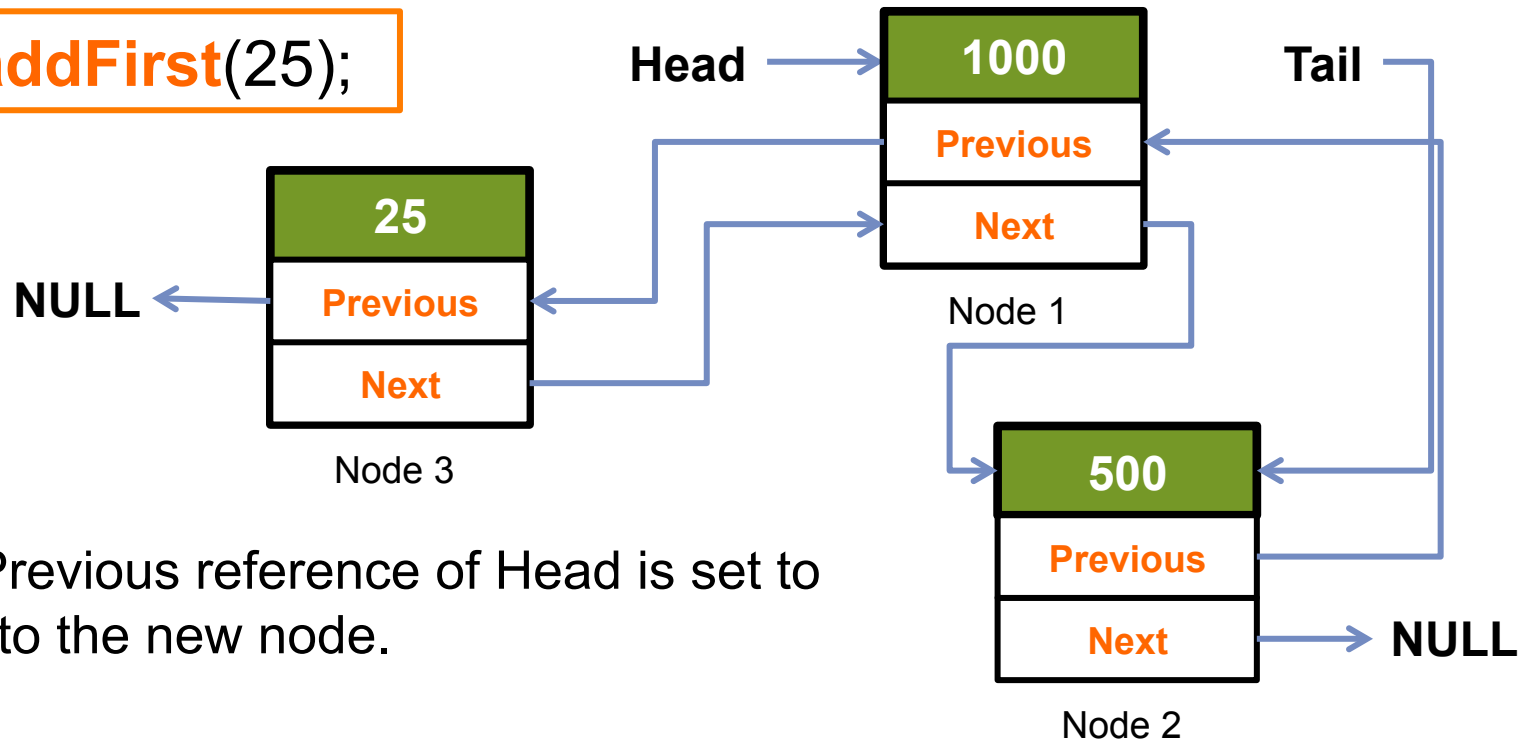


- A new node is created with `Previous` reference set to `NULL`, and `Next` set to the `Head` element

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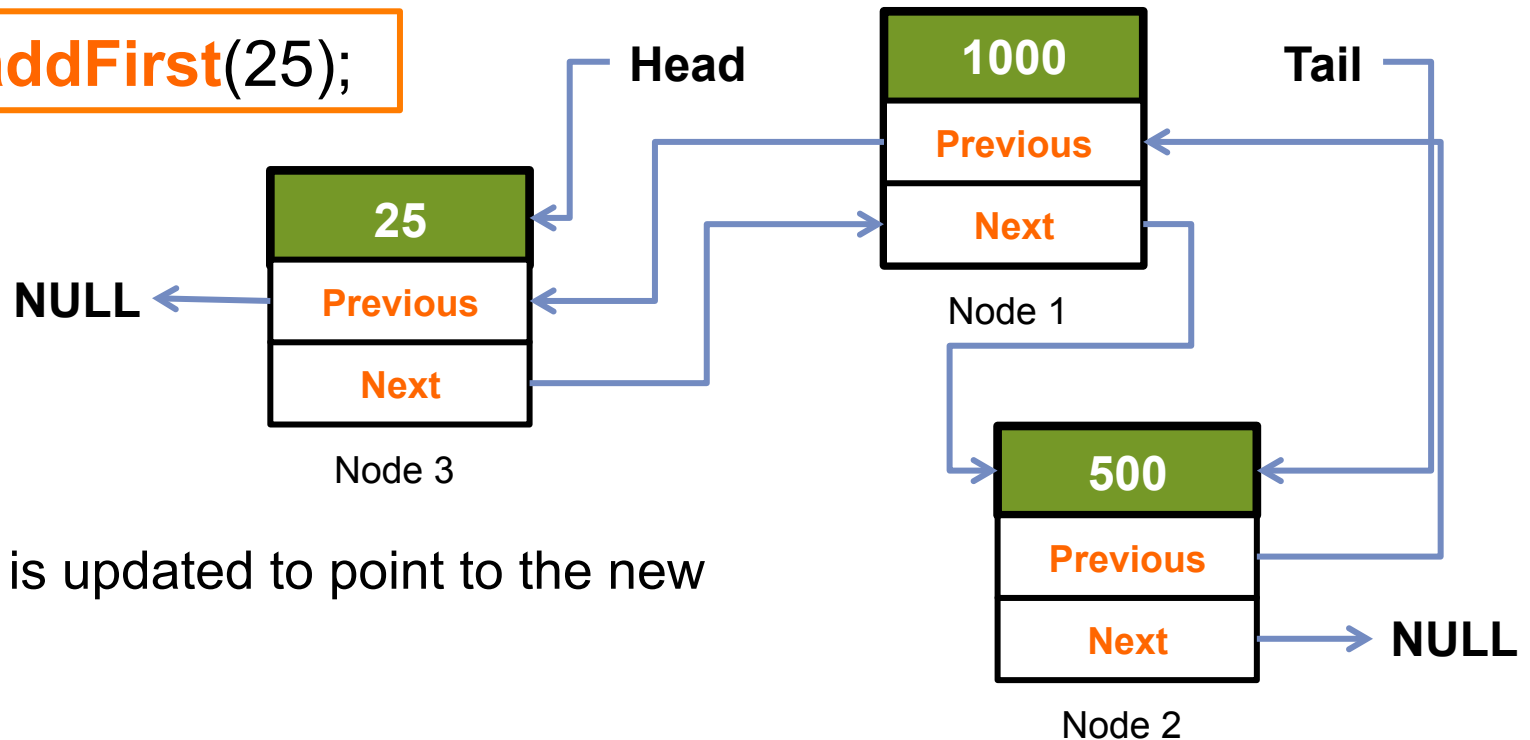


- The `Previous` reference of `Head` is set to point to the new node.

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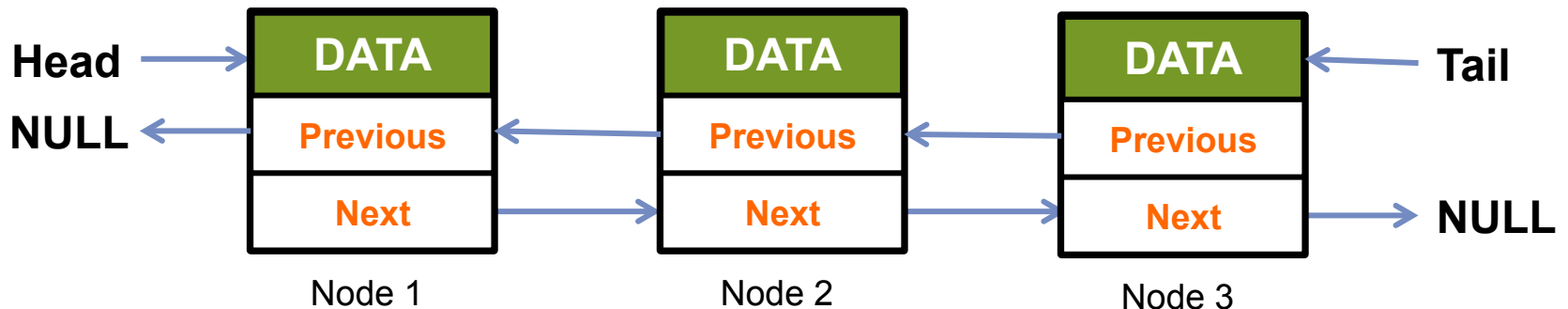


- Head is updated to point to the new node.

# TRAVERSING A LINKED LIST

```
//print the values in the linked list
public void print(){
    //start from the head node
    IntNode currentNode=head;
    while(currentNode !=null){
        //print the value of the current node
        System.out.print(currentNode.getData() +"\t");
        //go to the next node
        currentNode=currentNode.getNext();
    }
    System.out.println();
}
```

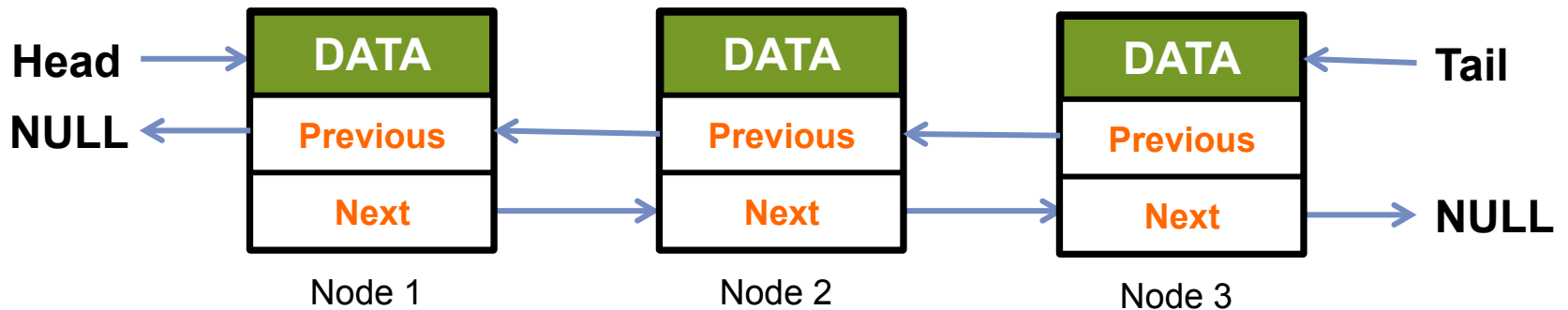
# DELETING AN ELEMENT



**Find the element by traversing the list**

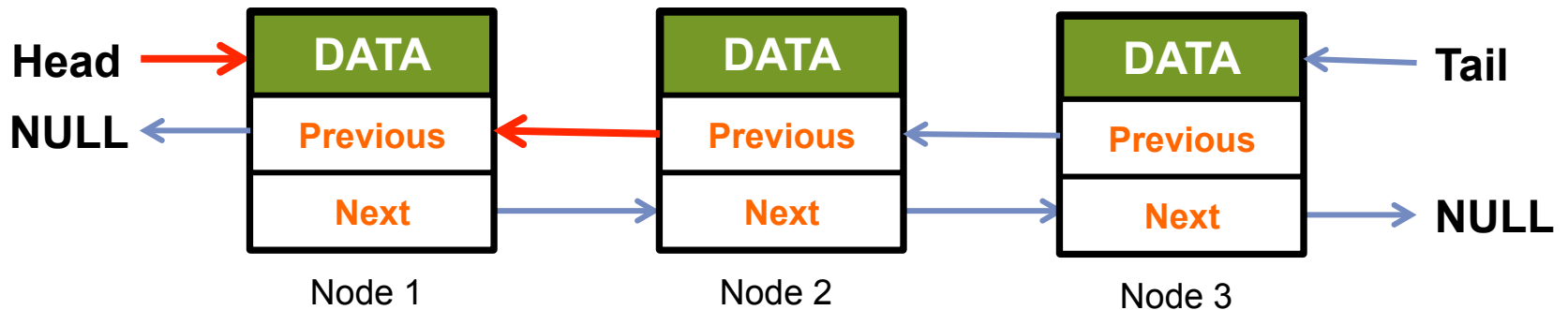
- **If there is only one element in this list, simply set head and tail to null.**

# DELETING AN ELEMENT



- To delete a node, remove all references to that node.

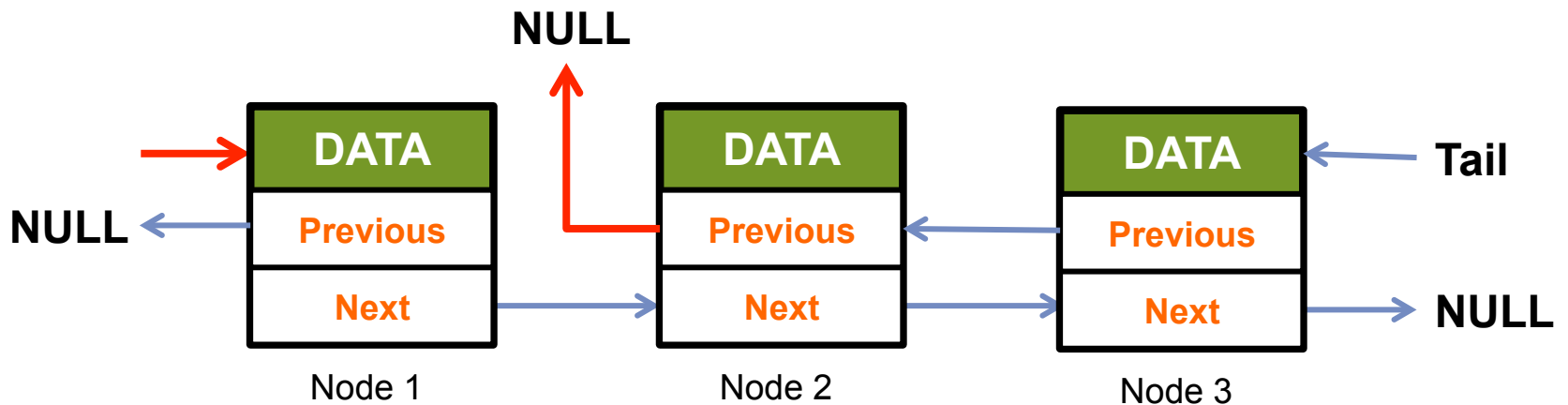
# DELETING AN ELEMENT



- **Delete node 1:**
  - Two references to node 1: **Head** and **node2.previous**

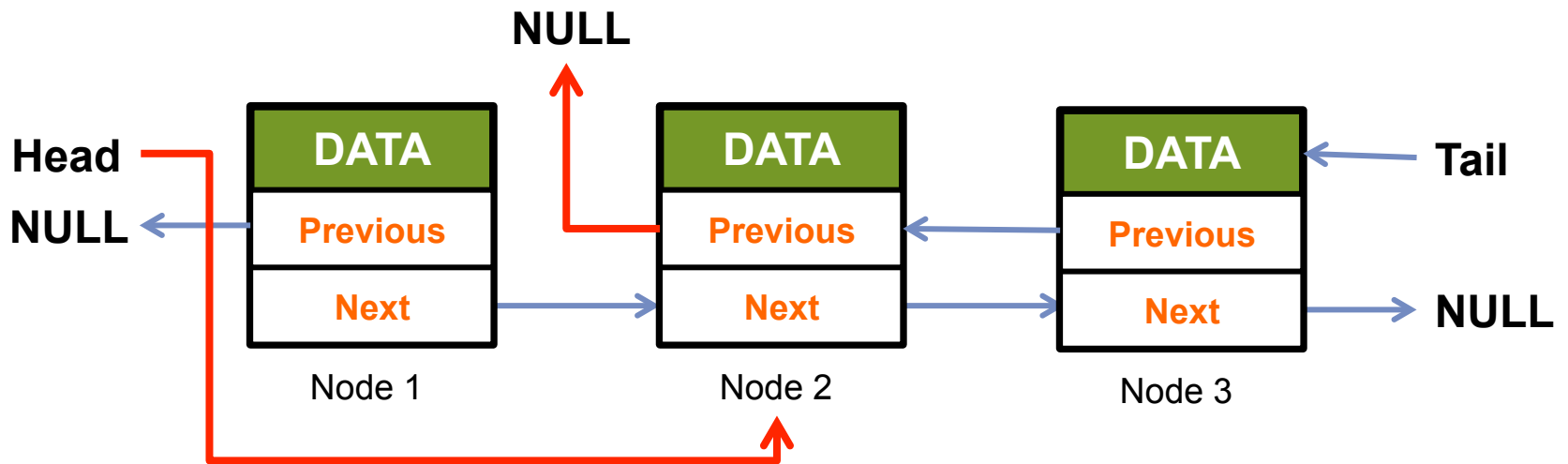


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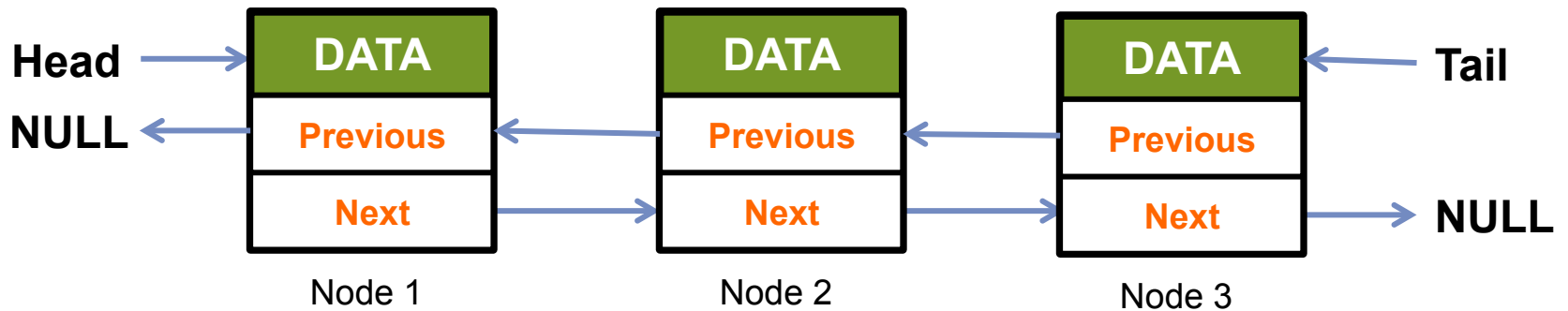
- **Delete node 1:**
  - Set node2.previous to null

# DELETING AN ELEMENT



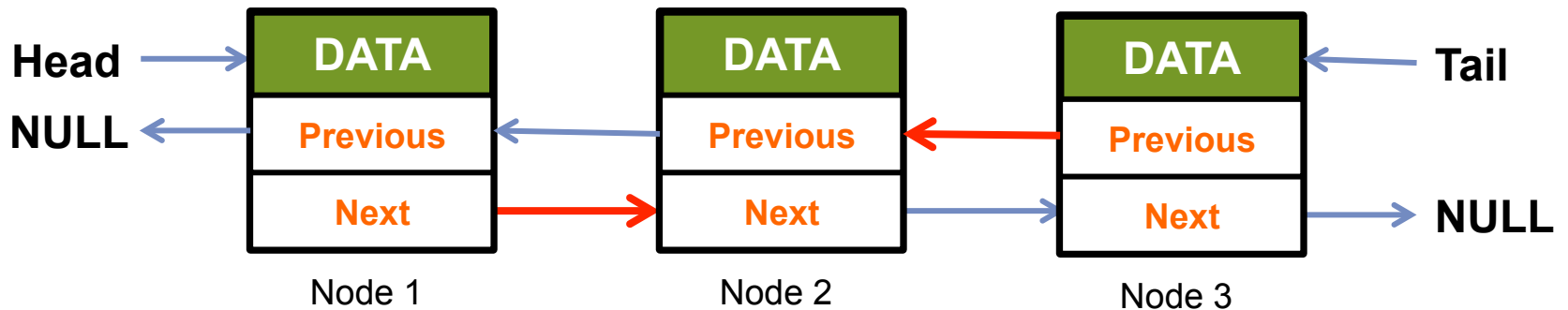
- **Delete node 1:**
  - Set **Head** to node 2

# DELETING AN ELEMENT



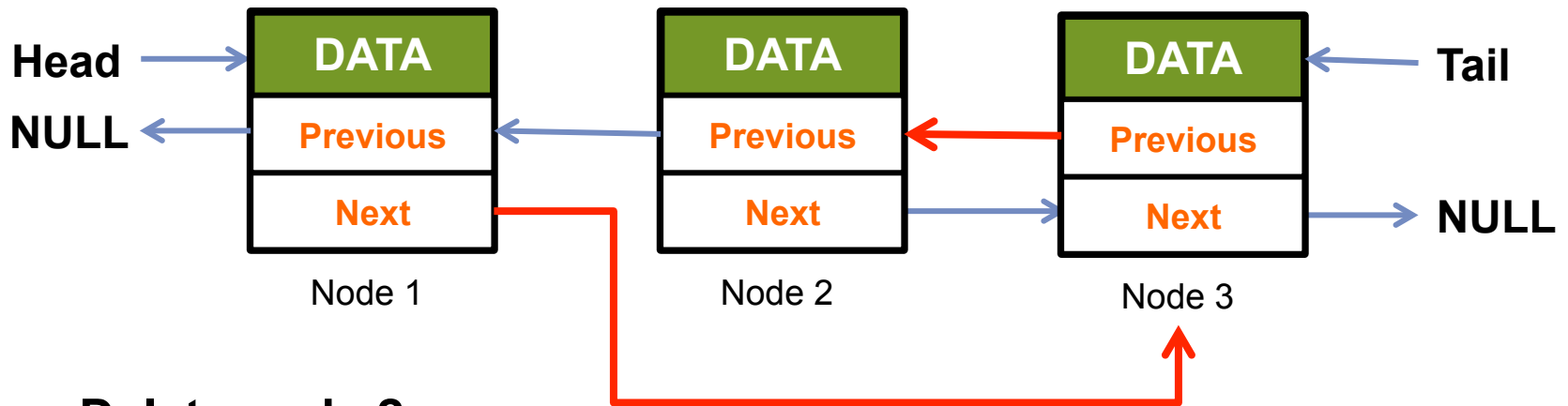
- **Delete node 2:**

# DELETING AN ELEMENT



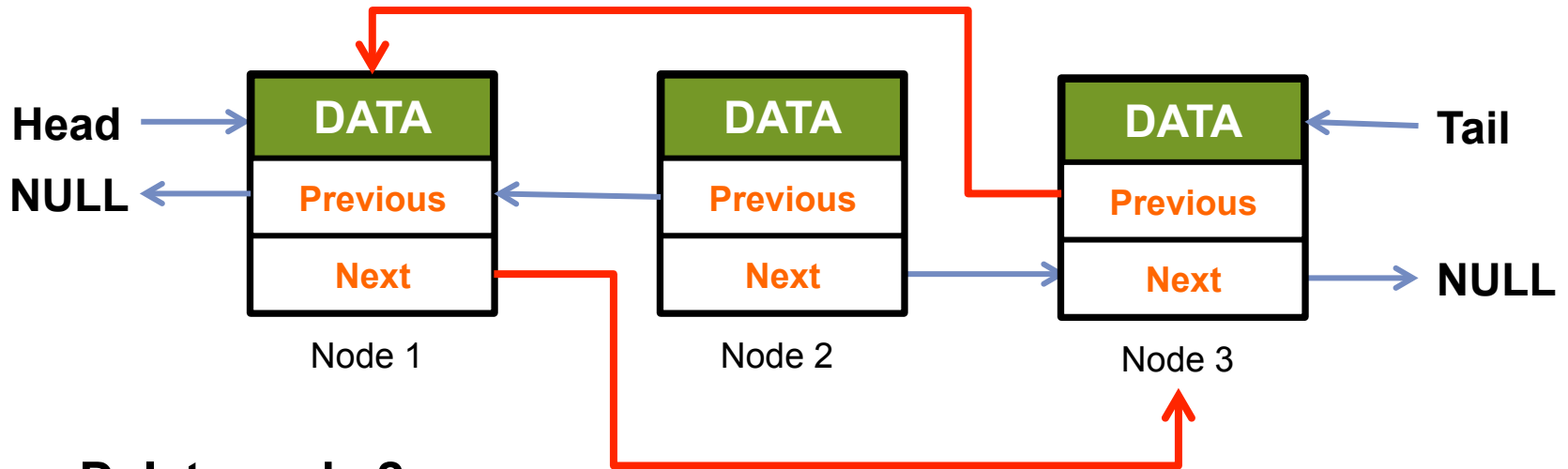
- **Delete node 2:**
  - Two references to node 2: **node1.next** and **node3.previous**

# DELETING AN ELEMENT



- **Delete node 2:**
  - Set node1.next to node 3  
(previous node's next reference to current node's next)

# DELETING AN ELEMENT



- **Delete node 2:**
  - Set node3.previous to node 1  
(next node's previous reference to current node's previous)

# DELETION METHOD

```
void deleteElement (int k) {  
    Traverse the linked list starting from Head  
    check if the list element == k  
    if element k is found  
        Updated references that point to this node  
        does this node have a previous node?  
            if yes update previous.next  
            otherwise, update head  
        does it have a next node?  
            if yes update next.previous  
            otherwise, update tail  
}
```