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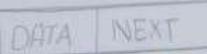
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## ELEMENT OF A SINGLY LINKED LIST

### 1. NODE:

A node is the basic of a linked list. Each node has two parts

- Data
- Next pointer



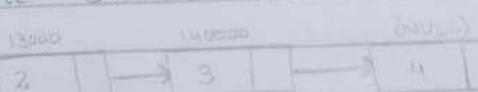
### 2. DATA FIELD:

The data field stores the actual value (Number, character, etc.)



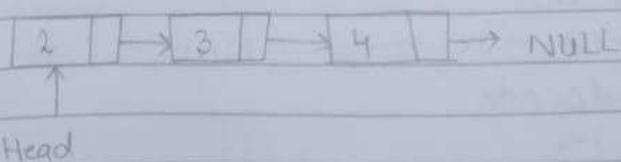
### 3. NEXT POINTER:

The next pointer stores the address of the next node in the list. For the last node next pointer stores NULL.



### 4. HEAD POINTER:

The head pointer stores the address of the first node of the linked list. If the list is empty head = NULL.



# INSERTION

## 1- Insertion at beginning:

Insert 10 into list:

$$20 \rightarrow 30 \rightarrow 40$$

- Initial list

$$\text{Head} \rightarrow 20 \rightarrow 30 \rightarrow 40 \rightarrow 40 \rightarrow \text{NULL}$$

- Pseudocode

BEGIN

Create new nod

Set, newnod . data = 10

newNode . Next = head

head = newnode

END

- Dry run

- Create new node with data 10

- new Node . next = head (20)

- head = new node

Final List

$$\text{head} \rightarrow 10 \rightarrow 20 \rightarrow 30 \rightarrow 40 \rightarrow \text{NULL}$$

## 2- Insertion at End:

Insert 50 into.

$$10 \rightarrow 20 \rightarrow 30$$

- Initial List

$$\text{head} \rightarrow 10 \rightarrow 20 \rightarrow 30 \rightarrow \text{NULL}$$

- Pseudocode

BEGIN

Create new node

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set newnode.data = 50  
newnode.next = NULL  
temp = head  
WHILE temp.next != NULL  
    temp = temp.next  
END WHILE  
temp.next = newnode  
END
```

- Final list

head → 10 → 20 → 30 → NULL

- Dry run

- 1- temp moves from 10 → 20 → 30
- 2- temp.next = newNode (50)

- 3- Insertion at a specific position

Insert 25 at position into list:

10 → 20 → 30 → 40

- initial list

head → 10 → 20 → 30 → 40 → NULL

- Pseudocode

BEGIN

Create new node

set newNode.data = 25

temp = head

For i=1 to position - 2

temp = temp.next

END For

newnode.next = temp.next

temp.next = newNode

END

- Dry run

- 1- temp stops at node 20

- 2- newNode.next = 30

- 3-  $\text{temp} \cdot \text{next} = \text{newNode}$   
**FINAL LIST**  
 $\text{head} \rightarrow 10 \rightarrow 20 \rightarrow 30 \rightarrow 40 \rightarrow \text{NULL}$

## DELETION

### 1- Deletion from the Beginning

Deletion first node from list:

$$10 \rightarrow 20 \rightarrow 30$$

- Initial List

$$\text{head} \rightarrow 10 \rightarrow 20 \rightarrow 30 \rightarrow \text{NULL}$$

- Pseudocode

BEGIN

IF  $\text{head} = \text{NULL}$

print "List is empty"

ELSE

$\text{temp} = \text{head}$

$\text{head} = \text{head} \cdot \text{next}$

delete  $\text{temp}$

END IF

END

- Dry run

1-  $\text{temp} = 10$

2-  $\text{head} = 20$

3- delete  $\text{temp}$

**Final List:**

$$\text{head} \rightarrow 20 \rightarrow 30 \rightarrow \text{NULL}$$

2- **Deletion at END**

Deletion last node from list:

$$10 \rightarrow 20 \rightarrow 30 \rightarrow 40$$

- Initial List:

$$\text{head} \rightarrow 10 \rightarrow 20 \rightarrow 30 \rightarrow 40 \rightarrow \text{NULL}$$

Pseudocode

BEGIN

temp = head

WHILE temp.next.next ≠ NULL

temp = temp.next

END WHILE

delete temp.next

temp.next = NULL

END

## • Dry run

1- temp moves to node 30

2- delete node 40

3- temp.next = NULL

## Final List:

head → 10 → 20 → 30 → NULL

3- Deletion from a Specific position

Delete node at position 2 from list:

10 → 20 → 30 → 40

## • initial list

10 → 20 → 30 → 40 → NULL

Pseudocode

BEGIN

temp = head

For i=1 to position-2

temp = temp.next

END for

del = temp.next

temp.next = del.next

delete del

END

## • Dry run

1 temp stops at node 10

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- 2-  $\text{del} = 20$
- 3-  $\text{temp} \cdot \text{next} = 30$
- 4- delete del

**Final List**

head  $\rightarrow 10 \rightarrow 30 \rightarrow 40 \rightarrow \text{NULL}$