

Introduction to Linked list

Assignment Solutions



1. In a singly linked list, deletion of data requires modification of how many pointers?

- 1
- 2
- 3

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Ans: It depends upon the node being deleted. Specifically, for the most common cases:

- Deleting the head node requires modifying 1 pointer (the head pointer).
- Deleting any other node requires modifying 1 pointer (the next pointer of the previous node to point to the next node of the node being deleted).

2. Predict the output for linked list = 1->2->3->4->5:

```
def traverse(head):
    while head is not None and head.next is not None:
        print(head.data, end=" ")
        head = head.next.next
1 2 3 4 5
1 3 5
2 4
1 3
```

Ans: 1 3 5

Explanation: The `traverse` function iterates over the linked list, printing the data of the current node, and then moving two steps forward (`head = head.next.next`). This skips every second node.

3. Implement a Linked List class.

The user-defined LL should have `insert(head,tail,idx)` , `delete(head,tail,idx)` , `get(idx)` and `display` functions.

Ans:

```
class ListNode:
    def __init__(self, data=0, next=None):
        self.data = data
        self.next = next

class LinkedList:
    def __init__(self):
        self.head = None
        self.tail = None

    def insert(self, idx, data):
        new_node = ListNode(data)
        if idx == 0: # Insert at head
            new_node.next = self.head
            self.head = new_node
            if self.tail is None:
                self.tail = new_node
        return
```

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current = self.head
count = 0
while current and count < idx - 1:
    current = current.next
    count += 1

if current is None:
    if self.tail is None:
        self.head = new_node
    else:
        self.tail.next = new_node
    self.tail = new_node
else:
    new_node.next = current.next
    current.next = new_node
    if new_node.next is None:
        self.tail = new_node

def delete(self, idx):
    if self.head is None:
        return

    if idx == 0: # Delete head
        self.head = self.head.next
        if self.head is None:
            self.tail = None
        return

    current = self.head
    count = 0
    while current.next and count < idx - 1:
        current = current.next
        count += 1

    if current.next:
        current.next = current.next.next
        if current.next is None:
            self.tail = current

def get(self, idx):
    current = self.head
    count = 0
    while current and count < idx:
        current = current.next
        count += 1

    if current is None:
        return None
    return current.data

def display(self):
    current = self.head
    while current:
        print(current.data, end=" → ")
        current = current.next
    print("None")

# Usage example
ll = LinkedList()
ll.insert(0, 1) # Insert 1 at head
ll.insert(1, 2) # Insert 2 at tail
ll.insert(2, 3) # Insert 3 at tail
ll.insert(1, 4) # Insert 4 at index 1
ll.display() # Expected Output: 1 → 4 → 2 → 3 → None

print("Element at index 2:", ll.get(2)) # Expected Output: 2

ll.delete(1) # Delete element at index 1
ll.display() # Expected Output: 1 → 2 → 3 → None

ll.delete(0) # Delete head
ll.display() # Expected Output: 2 → 3 → None

```