

Recreation

Prove that $\lfloor (2+\sqrt{3})^n \rfloor$ is odd for all integer $n \geq 0$.

[Source: D. O. Shklarsky, N. N. Chentzov, I. M. Yaglom, *The USSR Olympiad Problem Book*, Dover ed. (1993), from the W. H. Freeman edition, 1962.]

CS61B Lecture #3: Values and Containers

- Labs are normally due at midnight Friday. Last week's is due tonight.
- **Today.** Simple classes. Scheme-like lists. Destructive vs. non-destructive operations. Models of memory.

Values and Containers

- *Values* are numbers, booleans, and pointers.

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Values never change.

- *Simple containers* contain values:



Examples: variables, fields, individual array elements, parameters.

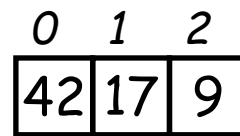
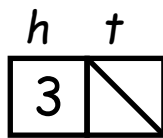
Structured Containers

Structured containers contain (0 or more) other containers:

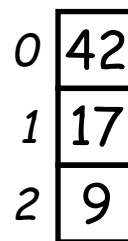
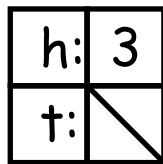
Class Object

Array Object

Empty Object

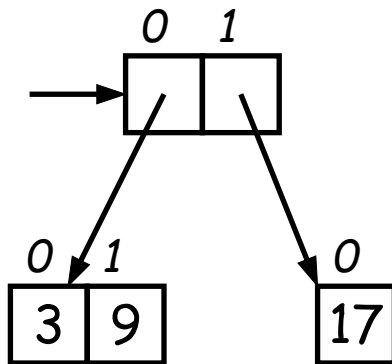


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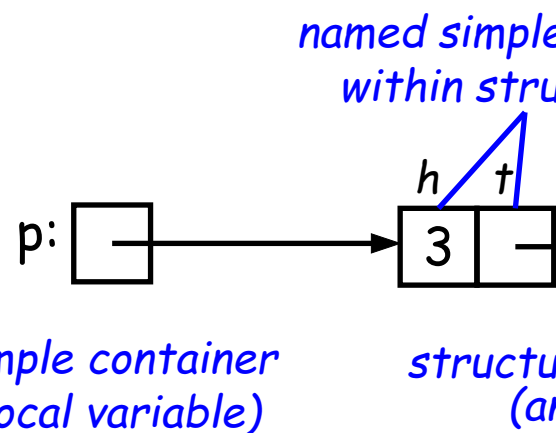
Pointers

- *Pointers* (or *references*) are values that *reference* (point to) containers.
- One particular pointer, called **null**, points to nothing.
- In Java, structured containers contain only simple containers, but pointers allow us to build arbitrarily big or complex structures anyway.



Containers in Java

- Containers may be *named* or *anonymous*.
- In Java, *all* simple containers are named, *all* structured containers are anonymous, and pointers point only to structured containers. (Therefore, structured containers con-



tain only simple containers).

- In Java, assignment copies values into simple containers.
- *Exactly* like Scheme and Python!
- (Python also has slice assignment, as in `x[3:7]=...`, which is shorthand for something else entirely.)

Defining New Types of Object

- Class declarations introduce new types of objects.
- Example: list of integers:

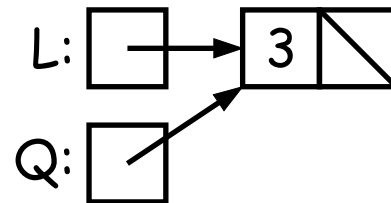
```
public class IntList {  
    // Constructor function (used to initialize  
    new object)  
    /** List cell containing (HEAD, TAIL).  
    */  
    public IntList(int head, IntList tail)  
    {  
        this.head = head; this.tail = tail;  
    }  
  
    // Names of simple containers (fields)  
    // WARNING: public instance variables  
    usually bad style!  
    public int head;  
    public IntList tail;  
}
```

Primitive Operations

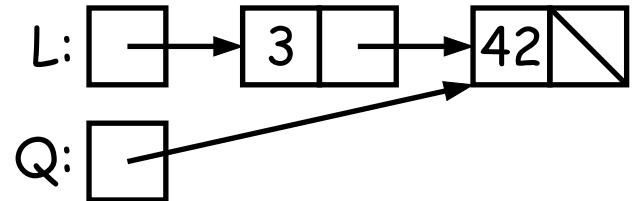
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IntList Q, L;
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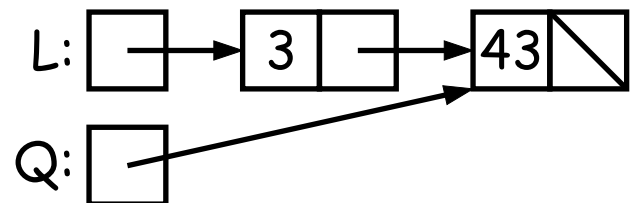
```
L = new IntList(3,  
null);  
Q = L;
```



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Q = new IntList(42,  
null);  
L.tail = Q;
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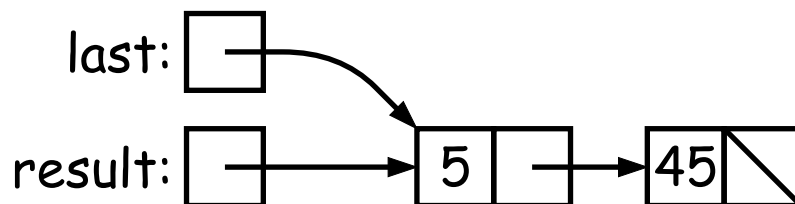
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L.tail.head += 1;  
// Now Q.head == 43  
// and L.tail.head == 43
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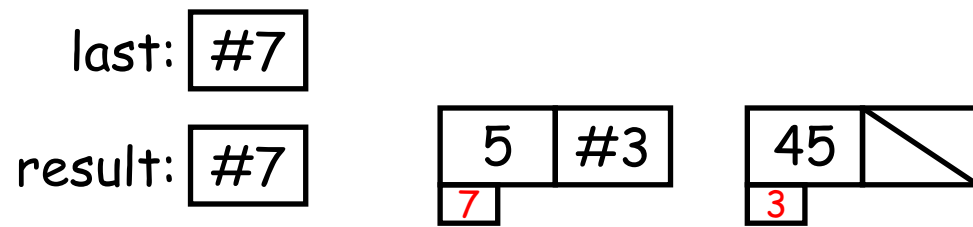
Side Excursion: Another Way to View Pointers

- Some folks find the idea of “copying an arrow” somewhat odd.
- Alternative view: think of a pointer as a *label*, like a street address.
- Each object has a permanent label on it, like the address plaque on a house.
- Then a variable containing a pointer is like a scrap of paper with a street address written on it.

- One view:

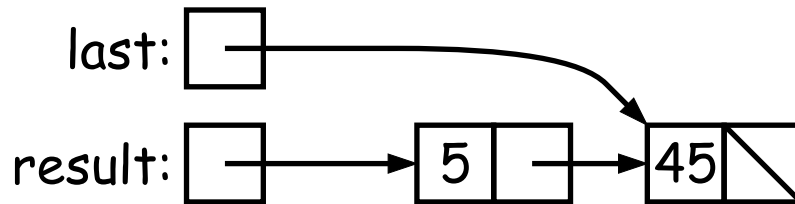


- Alternative view:

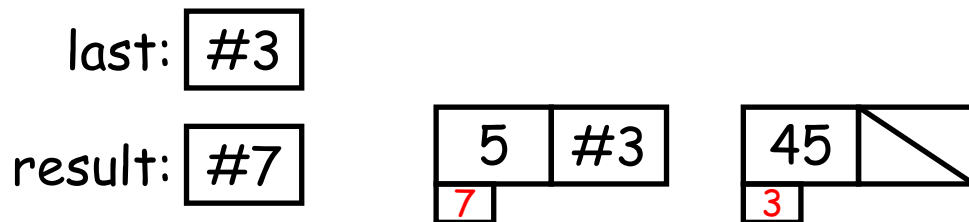


Another Way to View Pointers (II)

- Assigning a pointer to a variable looks just like assigning an integer to a variable.
- So, after executing "last = last.tail;" we have



- Alternative view:



- Under alternative view, you might be less inclined to think that assignment would change object #7 itself, rather than just "last".
- BEWARE! Internally, pointers really are just numbers, but Java treats them as more than that: they have *types*, and you can't just change integers into pointers.

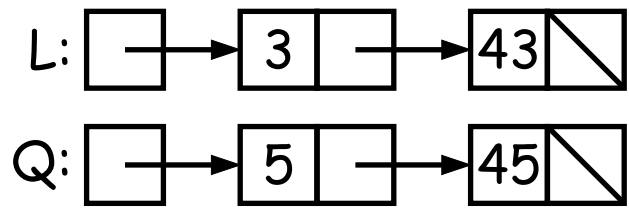
Destructive vs. Non-destructive

Problem: Given a (pointer to a) list of integers, L , and an integer increment n , return a list created by incrementing all elements of the list by n .

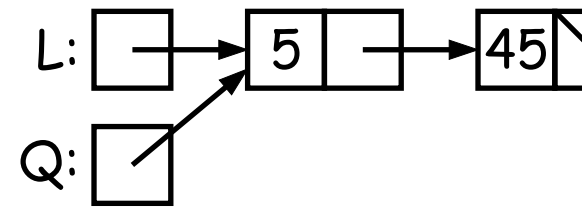
```
/** List of all items in P incremented
by n. Does not modify
    * existing IntLists. */
static IntList incrList(IntList P, int
n) {
    return /*( P, with each element incremented
by n )*/
}
```

We say `incrList` is *non-destructive*, because it leaves the input objects unchanged, as shown on the left. A *destructive* method may modify the input objects, so that the original data is no longer available, as shown on the right:

After $Q = \text{incrList}(L, 2)$:



After $Q = \text{dincrList}(L, 2)$:



Nondestructive IncrList: Recursive

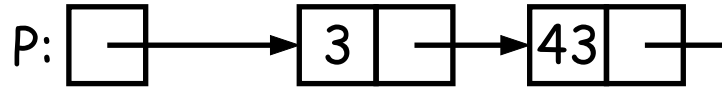
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    /** List of all items in P incremented
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    static IntList incrList(IntList P, int
n) {
        if (P == null)
            return null;
        else return new IntList(P.head+n, incrList(P
n));
    }
```

- Why does `incrList` have to return its result, rather than just setting `P`?
- In the call `incrList(P, 2)`, where `P` contains 3 and 43, which `IntList` object gets created first?

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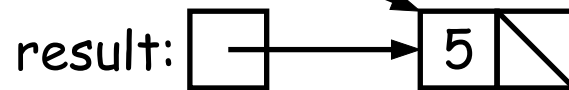
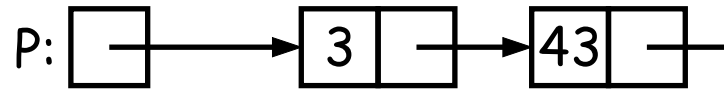


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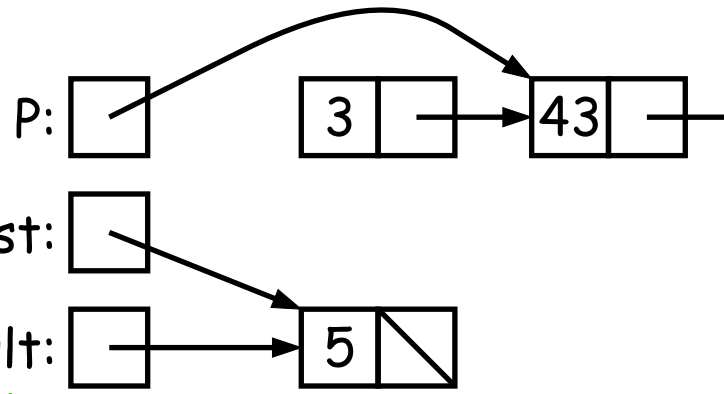
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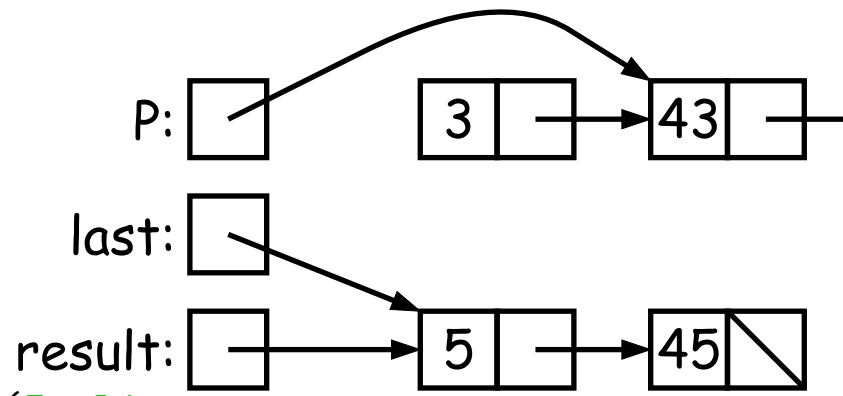
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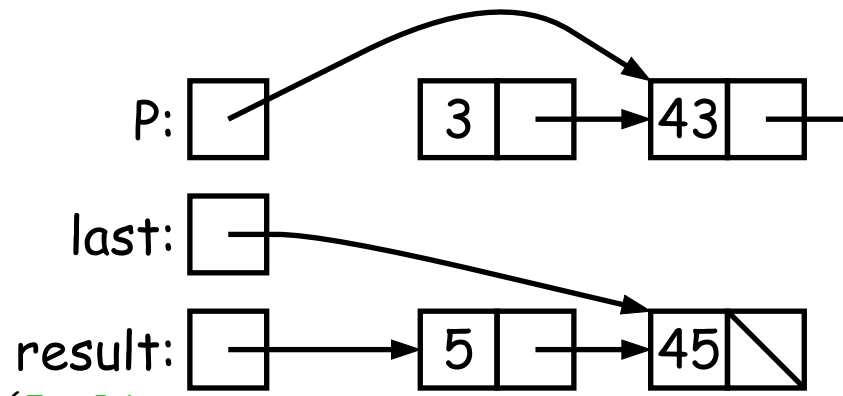
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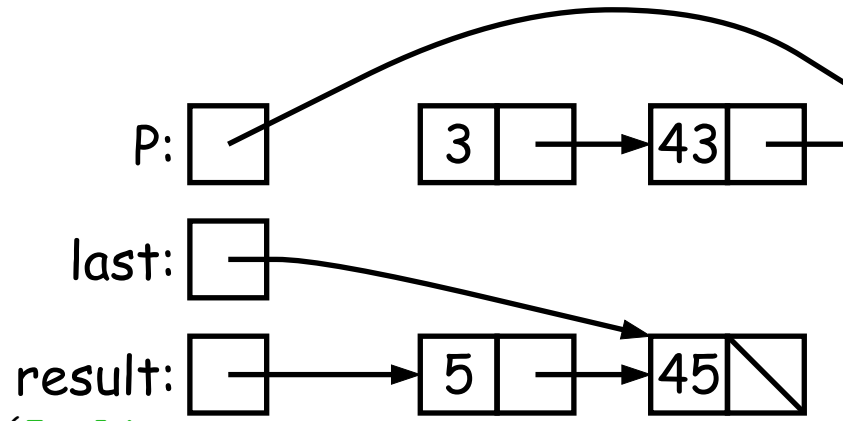
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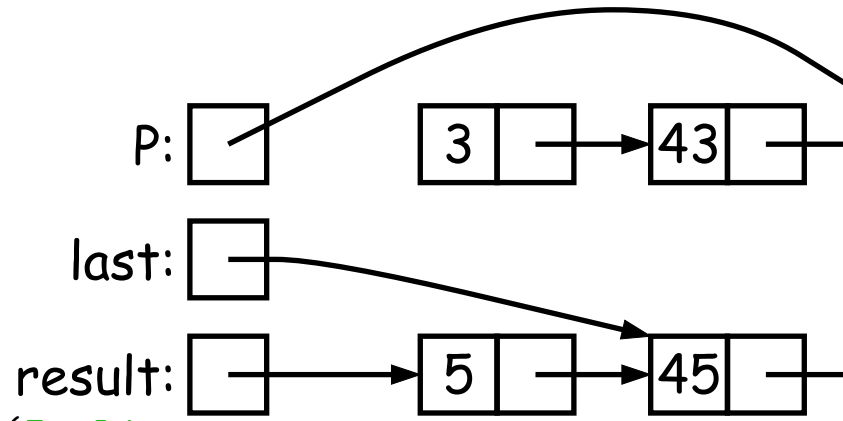
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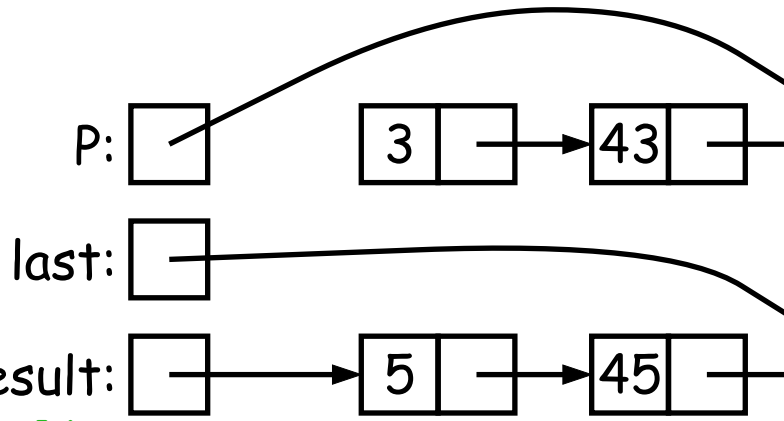
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