

LINKED LIST

A general approach to pass all test cases in linked list is

1. If `head == null` || `head->next == null` return
2. Check the written code if it works for both odd length and even length LLs

Always create a dummy node if required because in many problems we use prev and next pointers and using a dummy node prevents writing hard edge cases coz if we don't use dummy node we would mostly set prev to null and this increases chances of nullptr exception as well.

Linked List

```
void fold(Node *head){
    if(head == NULL || head->next == NULL)
        return;

    //Find the middle of the Linked List
    Node *slow = head;
    Node *fast = head;
    while(fast->next && fast->next->next){
        slow = slow->next;
        fast = fast->next->next;
    }

    //Reverse second half AND BREAK THE LINKED LIST INTO TWO SEPARATE PARTS
    Node *rhead = reverse(slow->next);
    slow->next = nullptr;

    // Fold the Linked List
    Node *node1 = head;
    Node *node2 = rhead;
    Node *n1Nxt, *n2Nxt = node2->next;
    while(node2 != nullptr){
        n1Nxt = node1->next;
        n2Nxt = node2->next;

        node1->next = node2;
        node2->next = n1Nxt;

        node1 = n1Nxt;
        node2 = n2Nxt;
    }
}
```

Input
1->2->3->4->5->6->7->null

Output
1->7->2->6->3->5->4->null

Fold of a linked list

```
Node* MergeLL(Node *head1, Node *head2){ //T=O(n1+n2) S=O(1)
    if(head1 == NULL)
        return head2;
    if(head2 == NULL)
        return head1;

    Node *c1 = head1;
    Node *c2 = head2;
    Node *dummy = new Node(-1);
    Node *prev = dummy;

    while(c1 && c2){
        if(c1->data < c2->data){
            prev->next = c1;
            c1 = c1->next;
        }
        else{
            prev->next = c2;
            c2 = c2->next;
        }
        prev = prev->next;
    }
    prev->next = c1 != nullptr ? c1 : c2;
    return dummy->next;
}
```

Merge 2 sorted LL

```
Node* mergeKSLI(vector<Node*> lists){
    if(lists.size() == 0)
        return nullptr;

    priority_queue< Node*, vector<Node*> , myComparator > pq;
    //Push head of each Linked List into PQ (if not null)
    for(Node *n : lists){
        if(n){
            pq.push(n);
        }
    }
    //Sort
    Node *dummy = new Node(-1);
    Node *prev = dummy;
    while(!pq.empty()){
        Node *node = pq.top();
        pq.pop();

        prev->next = node;
        prev = prev->next;

        if(node->next) pq.push(node->next);
    }
    prev->next = nullptr;
    return dummy->next;
}
```

Merge K Sorted Lists
using Priority Queue

```
void unFold(Node *head){
    if(head == NULL || head->next == NULL)
        return;

    Node *tail = head;
    Node *nHead = head->next;

    Node *node1 = head;
    Node *node2 = nHead;
    while(node2){
        Node *n1Nxt = node2->next;
        Node *n2Nxt = node2->next != nullptr ? node2->next->next : node2->next; //Edge case

        node1->next = n1Nxt;
        node2->next = n2Nxt;

        node1 = n1Nxt;
        node2 = n2Nxt;

        if(node1) tail = node1;
    }
    tail->next = reverse(nHead);
}
```

unfold a LL

```
Node* MergeLL(Node *head1, Node *head2){ //T=O(n1+n2) S=O(1)
    if(head1 == NULL)
        return head2;
    if(head2 == NULL)
        return head1;

    Node *c1 = head1;
    Node *c2 = head2;
    Node *dummy = new Node(-1);
    Node *prev = dummy;

    while(c1 && c2){
        if(c1->data < c2->data){
            prev->next = c1;
            c1 = c1->next;
        }
        else{
            prev->next = c2;
            c2 = c2->next;
        }
        prev = prev->next;
    }
    prev->next = c1 != nullptr ? c1 : c2;
    return dummy->next;
}
```

```
Node* mergeKSLI(vector<Node*> lists, int si, int ei){
    if(si > ei)
        return nullptr;
    if(si == ei)
        return lists[si];

    int mid = (si + ei) / 2;
    Node *l1 = mergeKSLI(lists, si, mid);
    Node *l2 = mergeKSLI(lists, mid+1, ei);
    return MergeLL(l1, l2);
}
```

```
Node* mergeKSLI(vector<Node*> lists){
    if(lists.size() == 0)
        return nullptr;
    return mergeKSLI(lists, 0, lists.size() - 1);
}
```

Merge K Sorted Lists
using Merge Sort algo


```
Node* MergeLL(Node *head1, Node *head2){ //T=O(n1+n2) S=O(1)
    if(head1 == NULL)
        return head2;
    if(head2 == NULL)
        return head1;

    Node *c1 = head1;
    Node *c2 = head2;
    Node *dummy = new Node(-1);
    Node *prev = dummy;

    while(c1 && c2){
        if(c1->data < c2->data){
            prev->next = c1;
            c1 = c1->next;
        }
        else{
            prev->next = c2;
            c2 = c2->next;
        }
        prev = prev->next;
    }
    prev->next = c1 != nullptr ? c1 : c2;
    return dummy->next;
}

Node *middle(Node *head){
    if (head == nullptr || head->next == nullptr)
        return head ;

    Node *slow = head ;
    Node *fast = head ;
    while(fast->next != nullptr && fast->next->next != nullptr){
        slow = slow->next ;
        fast = fast->next->next ;
    }
    return slow;
}

Node* MergeSort(Node *head){
    if(head == nullptr)
        return nullptr;
    if(head->next == nullptr)
        return head;

    //Dividing linked list into two parts
    Node *mid = middle(head);
    Node *nHead = mid->next;
    mid->next = nullptr;

    //Merge left sorted and right sorted LL
    Node *left = MergeSort(head);
    Node *right = MergeSort(nHead);
    return MergeLL(left, right);
}
```

Merge Sort of LL

```
static Node *th = NULL; //temporary head
static Node *tt = NULL; //temporary tail
void addFirst(Node *node){
    if(th == nullptr){
        th = node;
        tt = node;
    }
    else{
        node->next = th;
        th = node;
    }
}

Node* reverse(Node *head){
    Node *curr = head;
    while(curr){
        Node *next = curr->next;
        curr->next = nullptr;
        addFirst(curr);
        curr = next;
    }
    return th;
}
```

Reverse using Add First

```
Node *reverse(Node *head){
    Node *curr = head, *prev = nullptr, *next;
    while(curr){
        next = curr->next;
        curr->next = prev;
        prev = curr;
        curr = next;
    }
    return prev;
}
```

Normal Reversal

Reverse using Add First can be helpful in problems which require a reference to both head and tail of reversed list.
Eg Reverse in K groups

```
static Node *th = NULL; //temporary head
static Node *tt = NULL; //temporary tail
void addFirst(Node *node){
    if(th == nullptr){
        th = node;
        tt = node;
    }
    else{
        node->next = th;
        th = node;
    }
}

int length(Node *head){
    int count = 0;
    Node *temp = head;
    while(temp){
        temp = temp->next;
        count++;
    }
    return count;
}

Node* reverseKNodes(Node *head, int K){
    if(K==0 || K==1)
        return head;

    int len = length(head);
    Node *curr = head;
    Node *oh = nullptr, *ot = nullptr; //Original head and Original tail
    while(len >= K){
        int tempk = K;
        //Reverse K nodes
        while(tempk-- > 0){
            Node *next = curr->next;
            curr->next = nullptr;
            addFirst(curr);
            curr = next;
        }
        //Linking groups
        if(oh == nullptr){
            oh = th;
            ot = tt;
        }
        else{
            ot->next = th;
            ot = tt;
        }
        th = nullptr;
        tt = nullptr;
        len -= K;
    }
    ot->next = curr;
    return oh;
}
```

Reverse in k group

```
1. Traverse till we are one node before REV RANGE
    link  curr
    |     |
    v     v
    8 -> 8 -> 14 -> 1 -> 10 -> 12 -> null

2. Reverse nodes in range
    link  tt      th      curr
    |     |       |       |
    v     v       v       v
    8 -> 8 -> 10 -> 1 -> 14 -> 12 -> null

3. link->next = th
   tt->next = curr

Node *reverseInRange(Node *head, int si, int ei){
    if(head == nullptr || head->next == nullptr)
        return head;

    Node *curr = head;
    Node *link = nullptr;
    int revRange = ei-si+1;
    //Iterate till link points to si ie node before reverse range
    while(--si > 0){
        link = curr;
        curr = curr->next;
    }
    Node *prev = nullptr;
    //Reverse nodes in given range
    while(curr && --revRange >= 0){
        Node *next = curr->next;
        curr->next = nullptr;
        addFirst(curr);
        curr = next;
    }
    if(link){
        link->next = th;
    }
    tt->next = curr;
    return link != nullptr ? head : th;
}
```

Reverse in range


```
Node* CloneLinkedList(Node *head){
    Node *node = head;
    Node *clone = NULL;
    //Step 1 -> Introducing new nodes of clone linked list btw original linked list
    while(node != NULL){
        clone = new Node(node->data);
        clone->next = node->next;
        clone->random = NULL;

        node->next = clone;
        node = node->next->next;
    }
    //Step 2 -> Updating random pointers of cloned Linked List
    node = head;
    while(node != NULL){
        if(node->random != NULL)
            node->next->random = node->random->next;
        node = node->next->next;
    }
    //Step 3 -> Separating original linked list and cloned linked list
    Node *temp;
    node = head;
    clone = node->next;
    Node *cloneNode = clone;
    while(node != NULL){
        temp = cloneNode->next;
        if(temp != NULL)
            cloneNode->next = temp->next;
        else
            cloneNode->next = NULL;
        node->next = temp;
        node = node->next;
        cloneNode = cloneNode->next;
    }
    return clone;
}
```

clone LL with random ptrs

```
Node* sublinkedList(Node* L1, Node* L2) {
    L1 = reverse(L1);
    L2 = reverse(L2);

    Node *dummy = new Node(0);
    Node *prev = dummy;
    int carry = 0;
    while(L1 || L2){
        int diff = carry;
        if(L1){
            diff += L1->data;
            L1 = L1->next;
        }
        if(L2){
            diff -= L2->data;
            L2 = L2->next;
        }
        if(diff < 0){
            diff += 10;
            carry = -1;
        }
        else
            carry = 0;
        prev->next = new Node(diff);
        prev = prev->next;
    }
    return reverse(dummy->next);
}
```

sub 2 LL

```
Node* addLinkedList(Node* L1, Node* L2) {
    L1 = reverse(L1);
    L2 = reverse(L2);

    Node *dummy = new Node(0);
    Node *prev = dummy;
    int carry = 0;
    while(L1 || L2){
        int sum = carry;
        if(L1){
            sum += L1->data;
            L1 = L1->next;
        }
        if(L2){
            sum += L2->data;
            L2 = L2->next;
        }
        carry = sum%10;
        if(sum > 9){
            sum /= 10;
        }
        else
            carry = 0;
        prev->next = new Node(sum);
        prev = prev->next;
    }
    return reverse(dummy->next);
}
```

Add 2 LL

```
* Let L1 = distance from head to starting point of cycle
* L2 = distance from starting point of cycle to intersection ppoint of slow ans fast ptr

* Dist travelled by slow ptr = L1 + L2
* Dist travelled by fast ptr = L1 + L2 + nC    where C -> Length of cycle
*
* 2 * Speed of slow ptr = fast ptr
=> 2 (L1 + L2) = L1 + L2 + nC
=> L1 + L2 = nC
=> L1 = nC - L2
|
* Which basically means DIST FROM HEAD TO STARTING POINT = DIST FROM INTERSECTION POINT OF SLOW AND FAST TO STARTING PT OF CYCLE

Node* LoopedOrNot(Node **head){ //T=O(n) S=O(1)
    Node *slowptr = *head;
    Node *fastptr = *head;
    bool looped = false;
    while(fastptr && slowptr && fastptr->next){
        slowptr = slowptr->next;
        fastptr = fastptr->next->next;
        if(slowptr == fastptr){
            looped = true;
            break;
        }
    }
    if(looped){
        slowptr = *head;
        while(slowptr != fastptr){
            slowptr = slowptr->next;
            fastptr = fastptr->next;
        }
        return slowptr;
    }
    return NULL;
}
```

Starting point of a cycle


```

Node *getPivot(Node *head, int pivotIdx){
    if (head == nullptr) return nullptr;

    Node *pivot = head;
    while (pivot && pivotIdx--){
        pivot = pivot->next;
    }

    return pivot;
}

vector<Node*> segPivot(Node *head, int pivotIdx){
    Node *pivot = getPivot(head, pivotIdx);

    Node *smaller = new Node(-1);
    Node *prevS = smaller;

    Node *larger = new Node(-1);
    Node *prevL = larger;

    Node *curr = head;
    int idx = 0;
    while(curr){
        if (idx == pivotIdx); //Do nothing
        else if(curr->data <= pivot->data){
            prevS->next = curr;
            prevS = prevS->next;
        }
        else{
            prevL->next = curr;
            prevL = prevL->next;
        }
        curr = curr->next;
        idx++;
    }
    prevS->next = nullptr;
    pivot->next = nullptr;
    prevL->next = nullptr;

    vector<Node*> vec = {smaller->next, pivot, larger->next};
    return vec;
}

int length(Node *head){
    int count = 0;
    Node *curr = head;
    while(curr){
        curr = curr->next;
        count++;
    }
    return count;
}

vector <Node *> mergeSortedList(vector <Node *> leftSorted, Node *pivot, vector <Node *> rightSorted){
    Node *head = nullptr, *tail = nullptr;
    if(leftSorted[0] && rightSorted[0]){
        leftSorted[1]->next = pivot;
        pivot->next = rightSorted[0];
        head = leftSorted[0];
        tail = rightSorted[1];
    }

    else if(leftSorted[0] != nullptr){
        leftSorted[1]->next = pivot;
        head = leftSorted[0];
        tail = pivot;
    }

    else if(rightSorted[0] != nullptr){
        pivot->next = rightSorted[0];
        head = pivot;
        tail = rightSorted[1];
    }

    else{
        head = tail = pivot;
    }

    vector <Node *> vec = {head, tail};
    return vec;
}

vector<Node*> quickSort(Node *head){
    if (!head || !head->next){
        vector<Node*> vec = {head, head};
        return vec;
    }
    int len = length(head);
    int pivotIdx = len/2;

    vector<Node*> segreatedLists = segPivot(head, pivotIdx);

    vector<Node *> leftSorted = quickSort(segreatedLists[0]);
    vector<Node *> rightSorted = quickSort(segreatedLists[2]);
    return mergeSortedList(leftSorted, segreatedLists[1], rightSorted);
}

Node *QuickSort(Node *head){
    vector <Node *> ans = quickSort(head);
    return ans[0];
}

```