

# Linked-Based Implementation

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# Today's Plan



Announcements

Recap/new concepts

A quick review of  
pointers

Linked-Based  
Implementation

# Some “Language” Review

**Declare:** tell compiler about size/type - no space is reserved

```
extern int a; // Declaring a variable a without defining it
typedef struct Example { int a; int b; }; // Declaring a struct
int myFunc (int a, int b); // Declaring a function
```

**Define/Instantiate:** space is reserved in memory for variables, arguments or object

```
int a;
int* numbers = new int[n];
int myFunc (int a, int b) { return a + b; }
Example first_example;
```

**Initialize:** give an initial value

```
int b = 0;
Example first_example = { 5, 2};
```

# Friend Functions

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**Violates Information Hiding!!!**

**Yes, so don't do it unless appropriate and controlled**



# Friend Functions

## DECLARATION:


```
class SomeClass
{
    public:
        // public member functions go here
        friend returnType someFriendFunction( parameter list);
    private:
        int some_data_member_;

}; // end SomeClass
```

---

## IMPLEMENTATION (SomeClass.cpp):

Not a member function



```
returnType someFriendFunction( parameter list)
{
    // implementation here
    some_data_member_ = 35; //has access to private data
}
```

# Operator Overloading

Desirable operator (+, -, == ...) behavior may not be well defined on objects


```
class SomeClass
{
    public:
        // public data members and member functions go here
        friend bool operator==(const SomeClass& object1,
                               const SomeClass& object2);

    private:
        // private members go here
}; // end SomeClass
```

# Operator Overloading

**IMPLEMENTATION (SomeClass.cpp):**

**Not a member function**



```
bool operator==(const SomeClass& object1,  
                const SomeClass& object2)  
{  
    return ( (object1.memberA_ == object2.memberA_) &&  
            (object1.memberB_ == object2.memberB_) && ... );  
}
```



# Pointers Review

# Pointer Variables

A typed variable whose value is the address of another variable of same type

```

int x = 5;
int y = 8;
int *p, *q = nullptr; //declares two int pointers

```

Make sure you do this if not assigning a value!

```

. . .
p = &x; // sets p to the address of x
q = &y; // sets q address of y

```

We won't do much of this

## Run-time Stack

Type	Name	Address	Data
...	...	...	...
int	x	0x12345670	5
int	y	0x12345674	8
int pointer	p	0x12345678	0x12345670
int pointer	q	0x1234567C	0x12345674
...	...	...	...

# Dynamic Variables

Created at runtime in the **free store** or memory heap  
using operator **new**

**Nameless typed variables** accessed through pointers

```
// create a nameless variable of type dataType on the  
//application heap and stores its address in p  
dataType *p = new dataType;
```

**Run-time Stack**

Type	Name	Address	Data
...	...	...	...
dataType ptr	p	0x12345678	0x100436f20
...	...	...	...

**Free Store (application heap)**

Type	Address	Data
...	...	...
dataType	0x100436f20	
...	...	...

# Accessing members

```
dataType some_object;  
dataType *p = new dataType;  
// initialize and do stuff with some_object
```

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```
string my_string = some_object.getName();  
string another_string = p->getStringData();
```

To access member functions  
in place of . operator

# Deallocating Memory

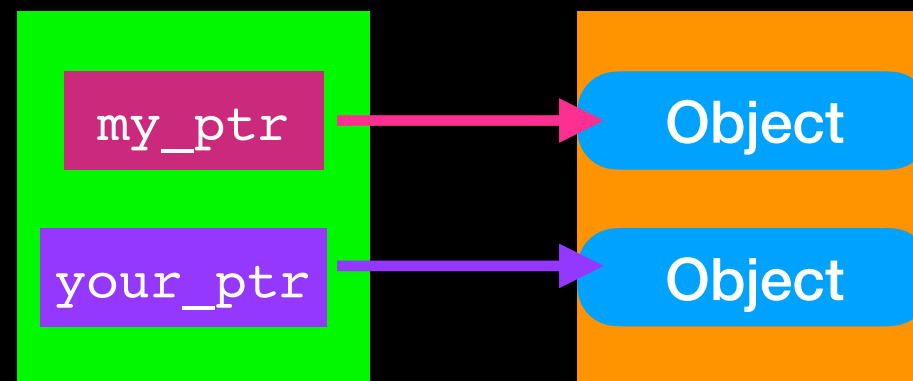
```
delete p;  
p = nullptr;
```

Must do this!!!

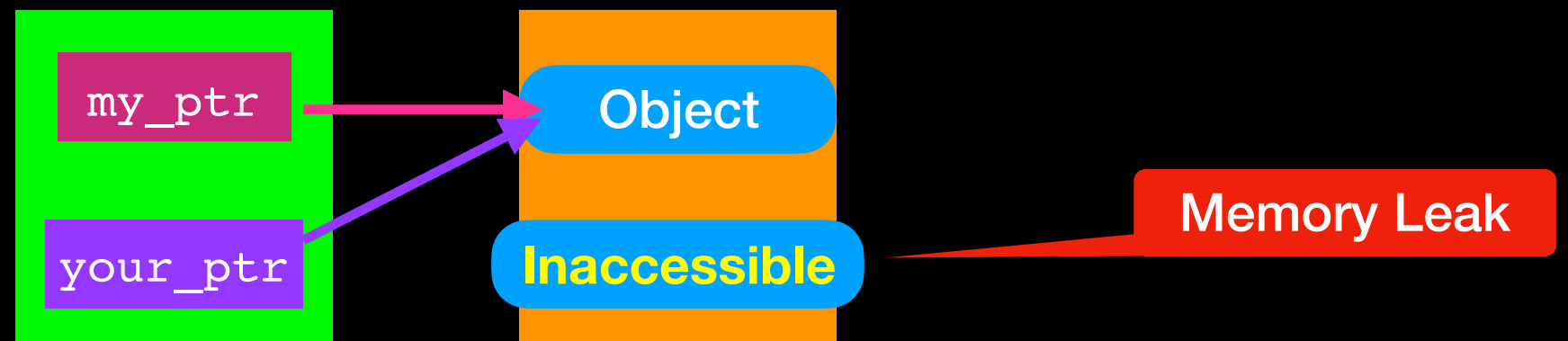
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Occurs when object is created in free store but program no longer has access to it

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dataType *your_ptr = new dataType;  
// do stuff with my_ptr and your_ptr
```



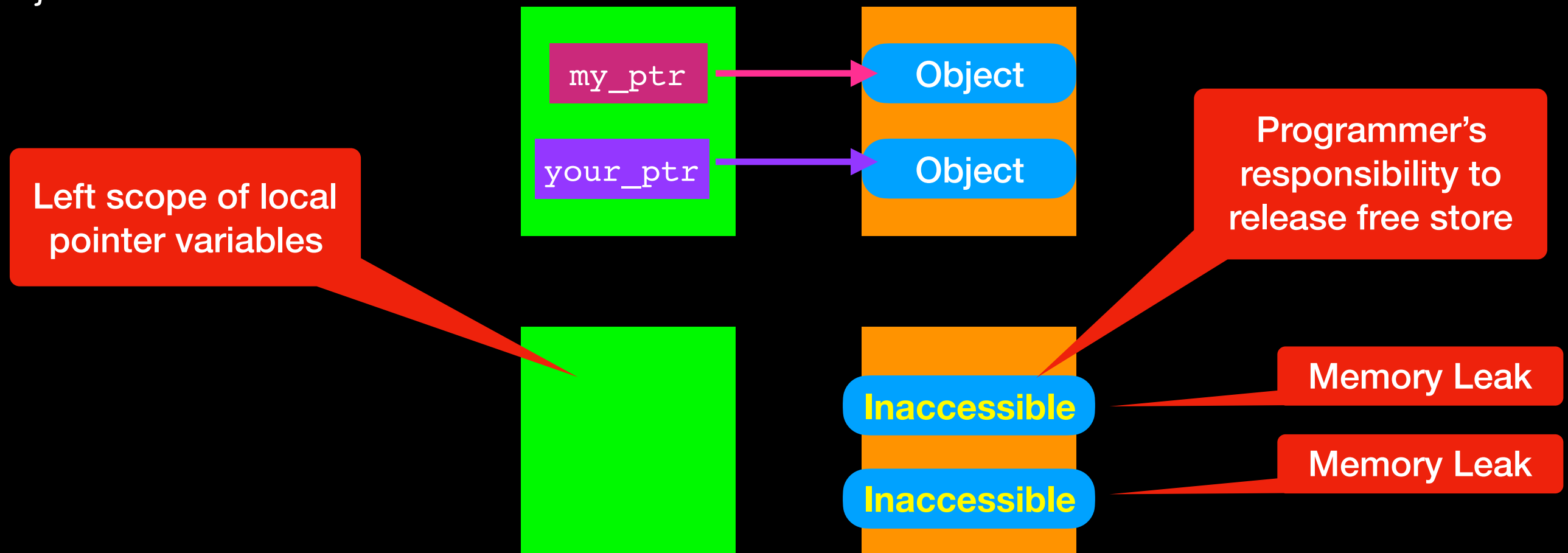
```
your_ptr = my_ptr;
```



# Avoid Memory Leaks

Occurs when object is created in free store but program no longer has access to it

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void leakyFunction(){
  dataType *my_ptr = new dataType;
  dataType *your_ptr = new dataType;
  // do stuff with my_ptr and your_ptr
}
```



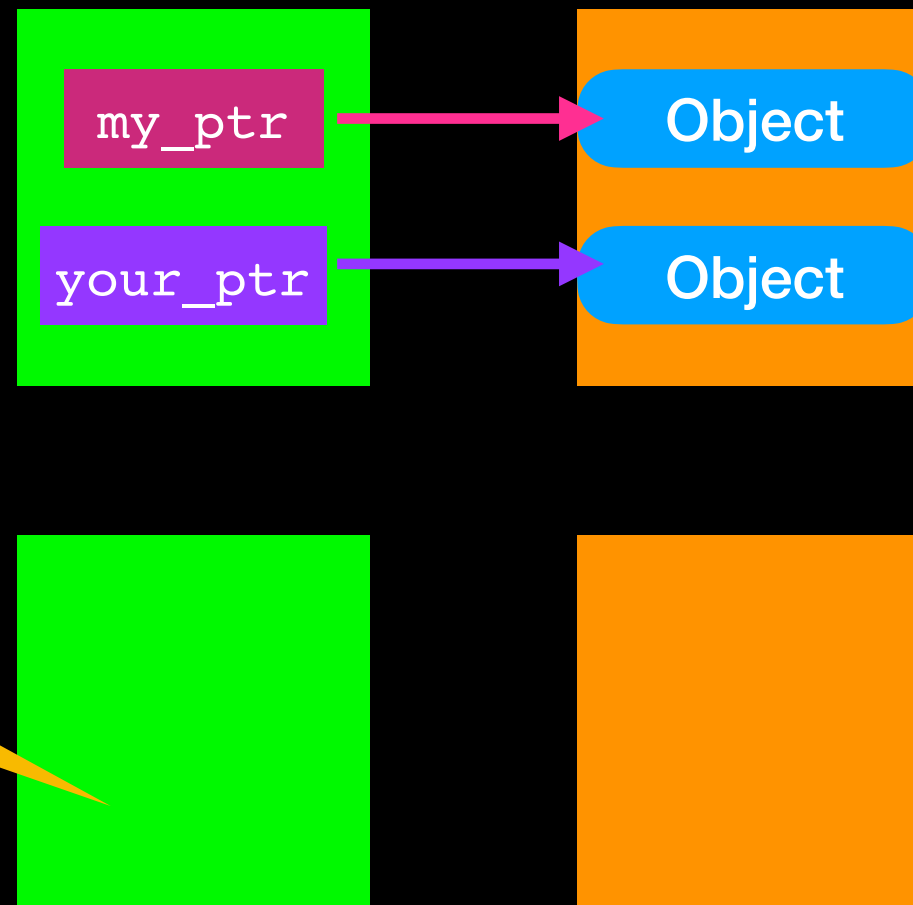


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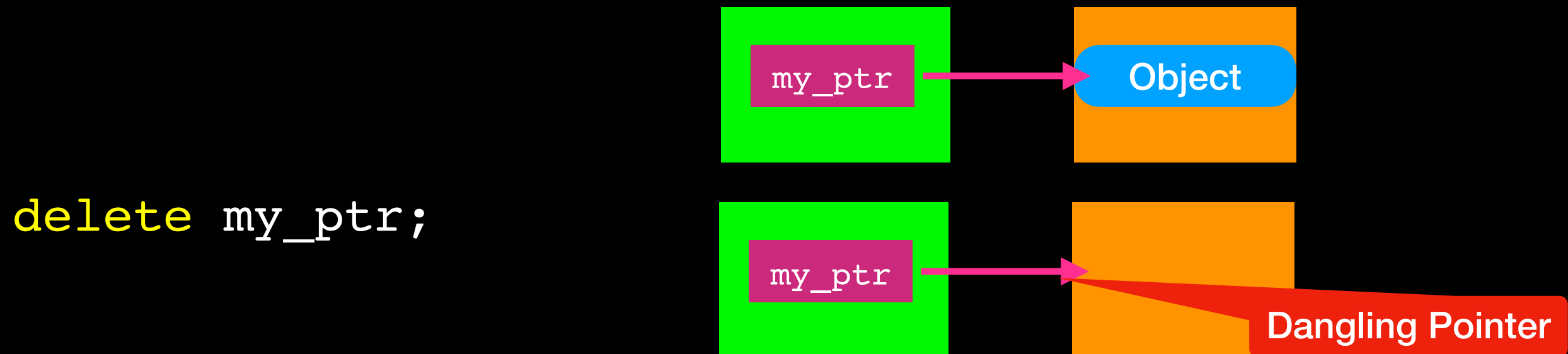
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    // do stuff with my_ptr and your_ptr  
    delete my_ptr;  
    delete your_ptr;  
}
```

Left scope of local  
pointer variables  
but deleted dynamic  
objects first



# Avoid Dangling Pointers

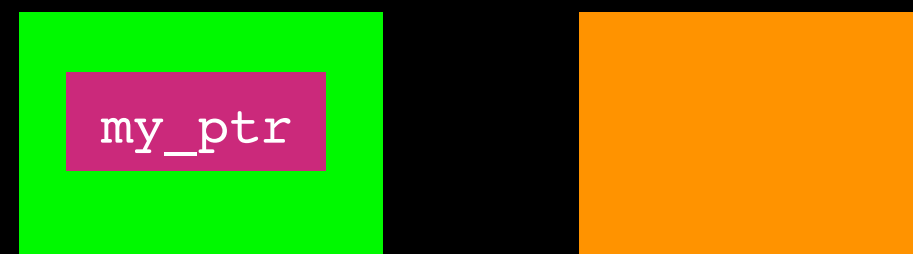
Pointer variable that no longer references a valid object



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```
delete my_ptr;  
my_ptr = nullptr;
```

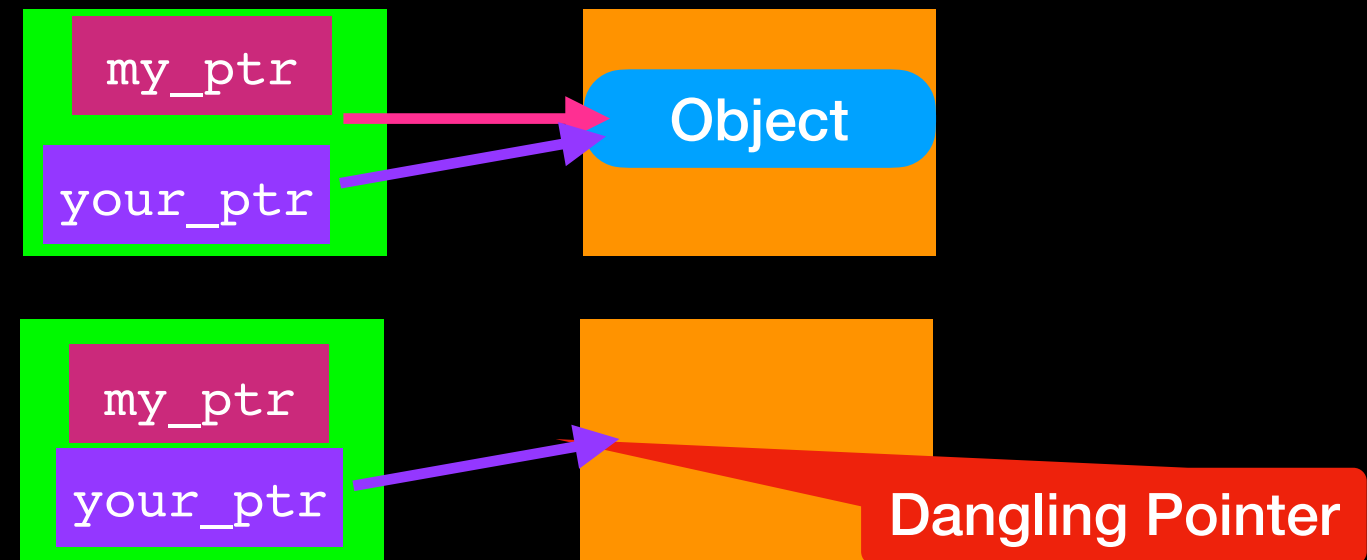
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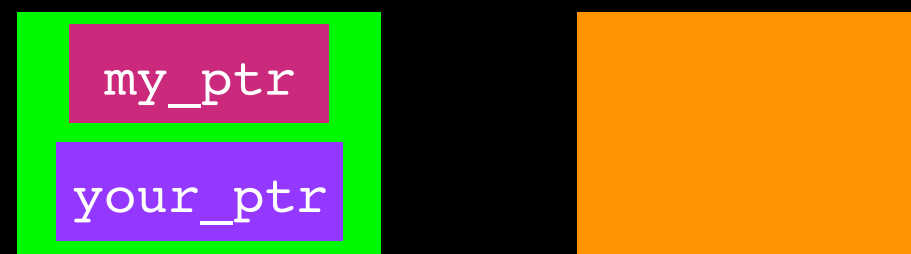
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```



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```
delete my_ptr;  
my_ptr = nullptr;  
your_ptr = nullptr;
```



Must set all pointers to nullptr!!!

# What is wrong with the following code?

```
void someFunction()  
{  
    int* p = new int[5];  
    int* q = new int[10];  
  
    p[2] = 9;  
    q[2] = p[2]+5;  
    p[0] = 8;  
    q[7] = 15;  
  
    std::cout<< p[2] << " " << q[2] << std::endl;  
    q = p;  
    std::cout<< p[0] << " " << q[7] << std::endl;  
}
```

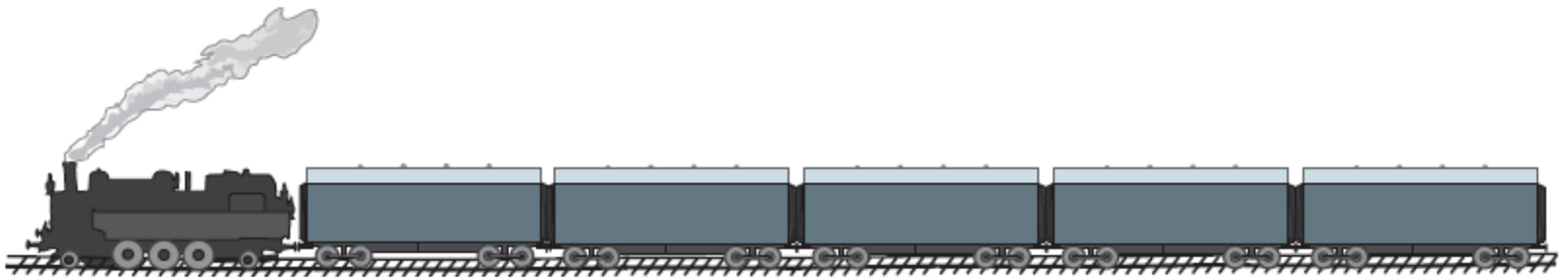
Let's try a different  
implementation for Bag

# Link-Based Implementation

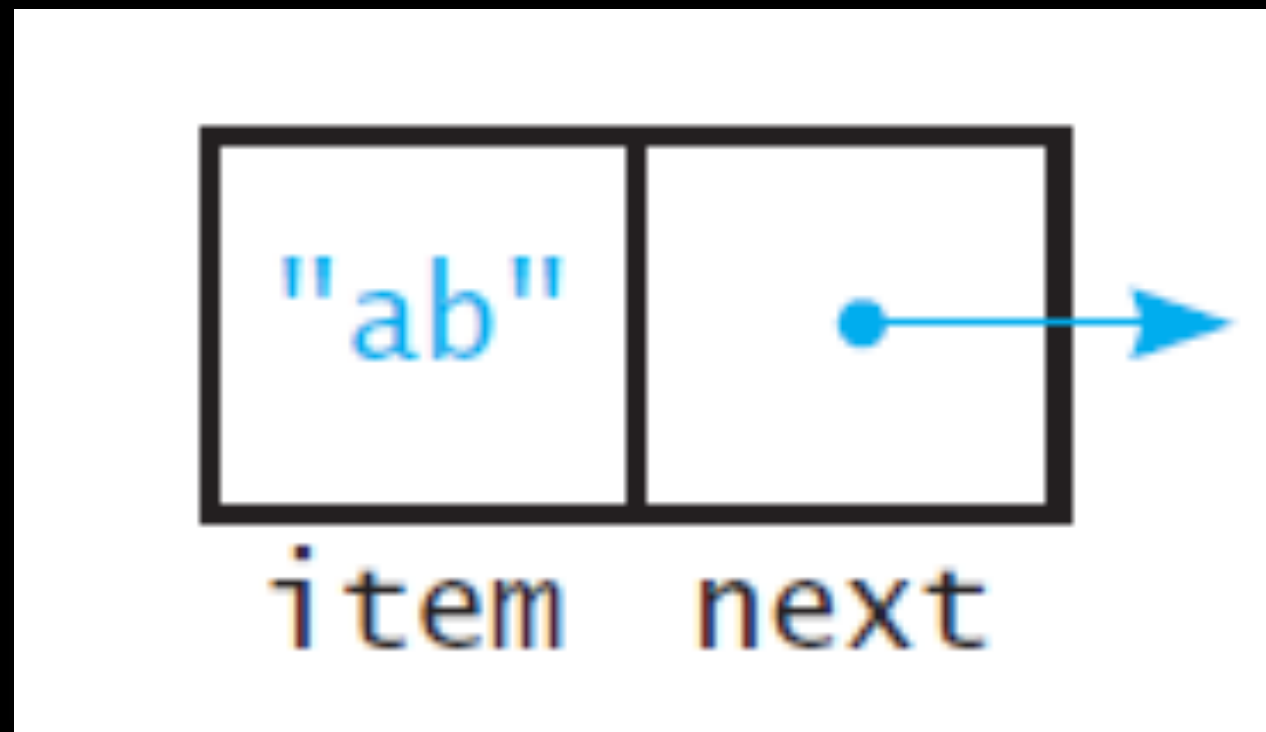
# Data Organization

Place data within a **Node** object

**Link** nodes into a **chain**

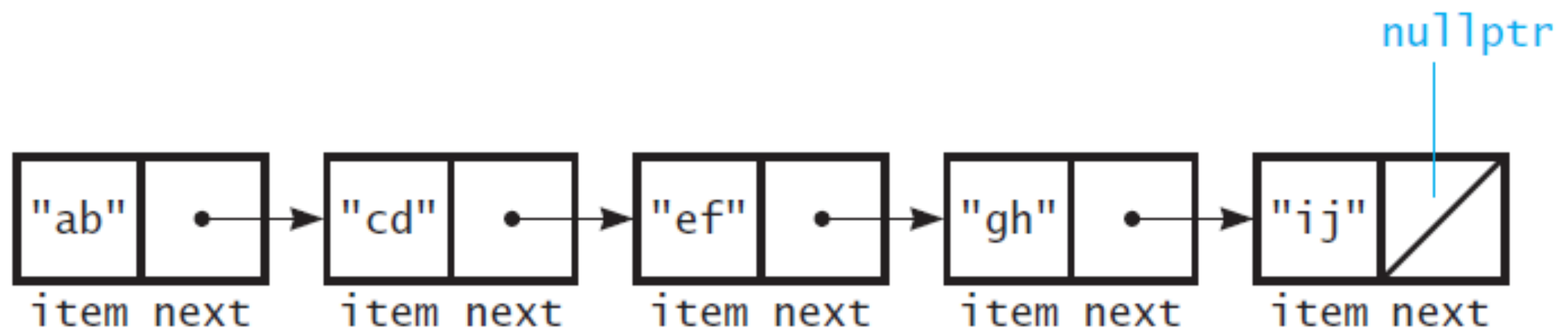


# Node

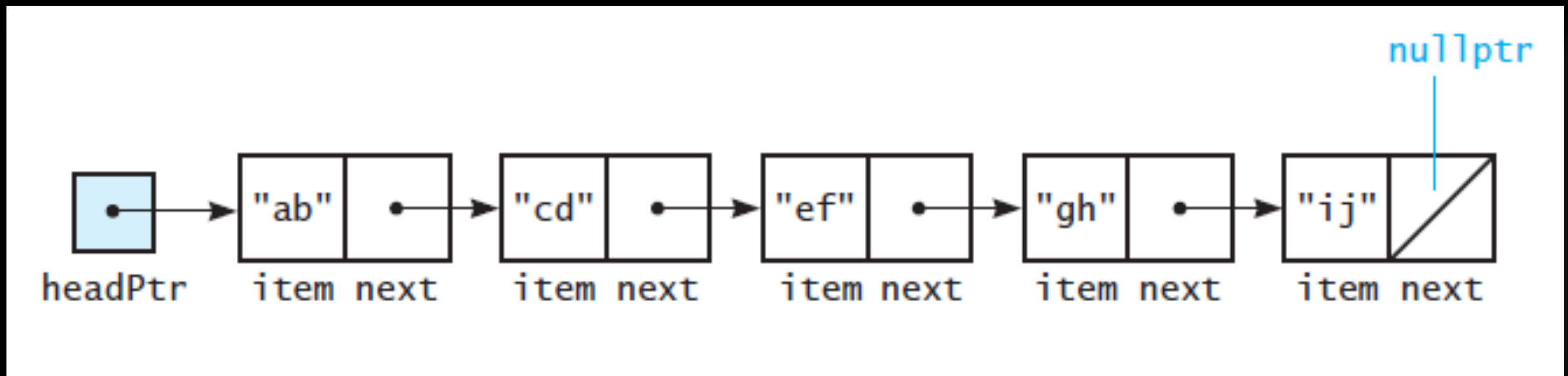




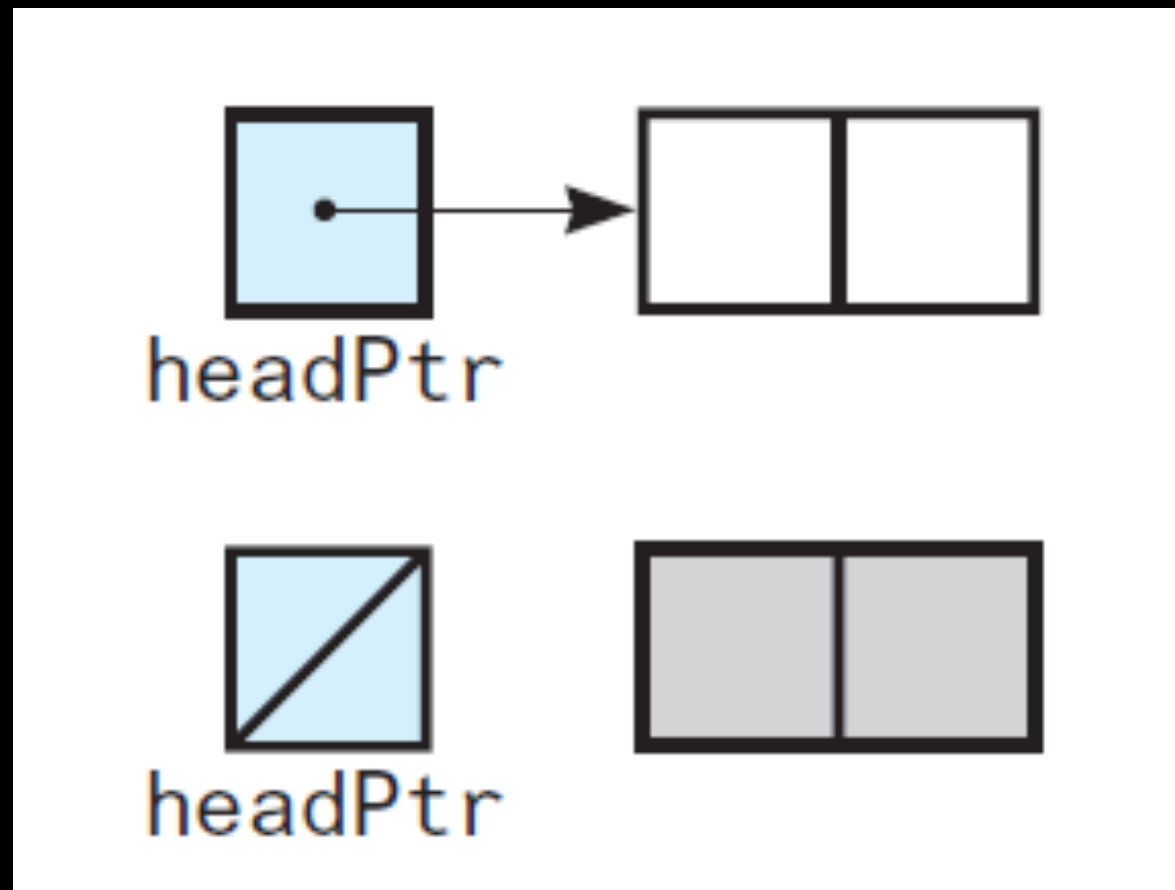
# Chain



# Entering the Chain



# The Empty Chain



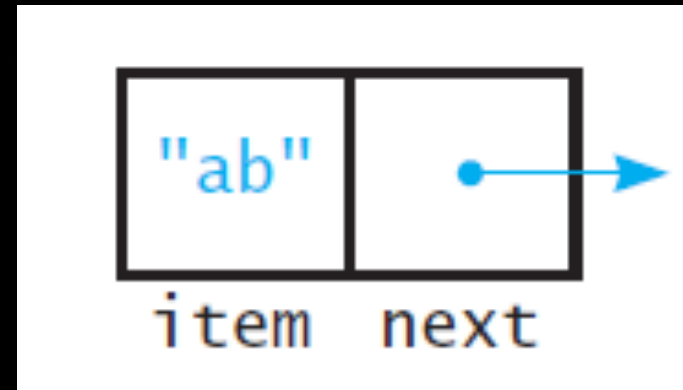
# The Class Node

```
#ifndef NODE_H_
#define NODE_H_

template<class T>
class Node
{
public:
    Node();
    Node(const T& an_item);
    Node(const T& an_item, Node<T>* next_node_ptr);
    void setItem(const T& an_item);
    void setNext(Node<T>* next_node_ptr);
    T getItem() const;
    Node<T>* getNext() const;

private:
    T item_;           // A data item
    Node<T>* next_;    // Pointer to next node
}; // end Node

#include "Node.cpp"
#endif // NODE_H_
```

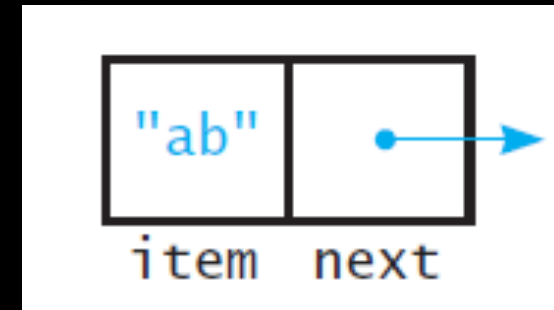


# Node Implementation

```
#include "Node.hpp"
```

## The Constructors

```
template<class T>
Node<T>::Node() : next_(nullptr)
{
} // end default constructor
```



```
template<class T>
Node<T>::Node(const T& an_item) : item_(an_item), next_(nullptr)
{
} // end constructor
```

```
template<class T>
Node<T>::Node(const T& an_item, Node<T>* next_node_ptr) :
    item_(an_item), next_(next_node_ptr)
{
} // end constructor
```

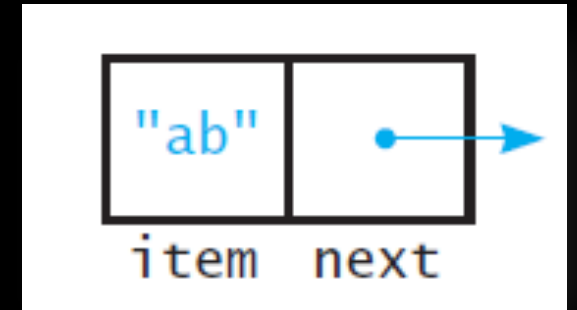
# Node Implementation

```
#include "Node.hpp"
```

The “setData” members

```
template<class T>
void Node<T>::setItem(const T& an_item)
{
    item_ = an_item;
} // end setItem
```

```
template<class T>
void Node<T>::setNext(Node<T>* next_node_ptr)
{
    next_ = next_node_ptr;
} // end setNext
```



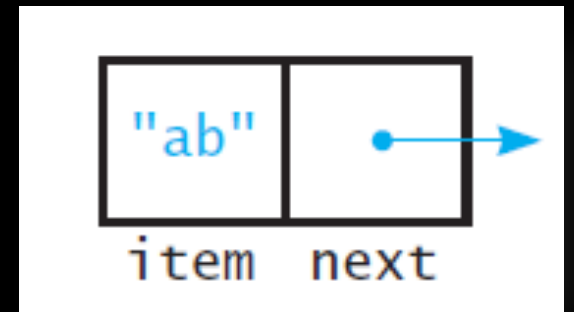
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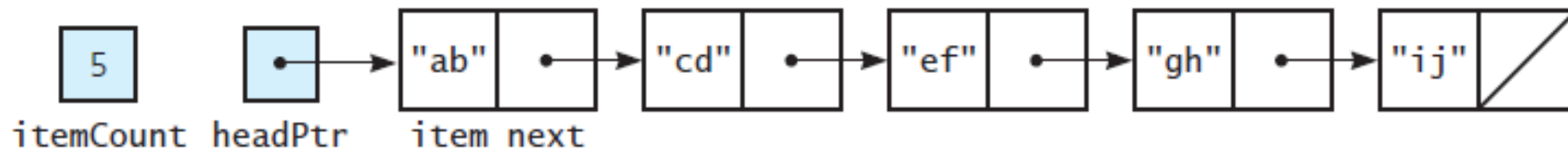
```
template<class T>
T Node<T>::getItem() const
{
    return item_;
} // end getItem
```

```
template<class T>
Node<T>* Node<T>::getNext() const
{
    return next_;
} // end getNext
```

The “get*Data*” members



# A Linked Bag ADT



```
+getCurrentSize(): integer  
+isEmpty(): boolean  
+add(newEntry: ItemType): boolean  
+remove(anEntry: ItemType): boolean  
+clear(): void  
+getFrequencyOf(anEntry: ItemType): integer  
+contains(anEntry: ItemType): boolean  
+toVector(): vector
```



# The Class LinkedBag

```
#ifndef LINKED_BAG_H_
#define LINKED_BAG_H_

#include "BagInterface.hpp"
#include "Node.hpp"

template<class T>
class LinkedBag
{
public:
    LinkedBag();
    LinkedBag(const LinkedBag<T>& a_bag); // Copy constructor
    ~LinkedBag(); // Destructor should be virtual
    int getCurrentSize() const;
    bool isEmpty() const;
    bool add(const T& new_entry);
    bool remove(const T& an_entry);
    void clear();
    bool contains(const T& an_entry) const;
    int getFrequencyOf(const T& an_entry) const;
    std::vector<T> toVector() const;

private:
    Node<T>* head_ptr_; // Pointer to first node
    int item_count_; // Current count of bag items

    // Returns either a pointer to the node containing a given entry
    // or the null pointer if the entry is not in the bag.
    Node<T>* getPointerTo(const T& target) const;
}; // end LinkedBag

#include "LinkedBag.cpp"
#endif //LINKED_BAG_H_
```

More than one public methods will need to know the a pointer to a target so we separate it out into a private helper function (similar to ArrayBag but here we get pointers rather than indices)

# LinkedBag Implementation

```
#include "LinkedBag.hpp"
```

The default constructor

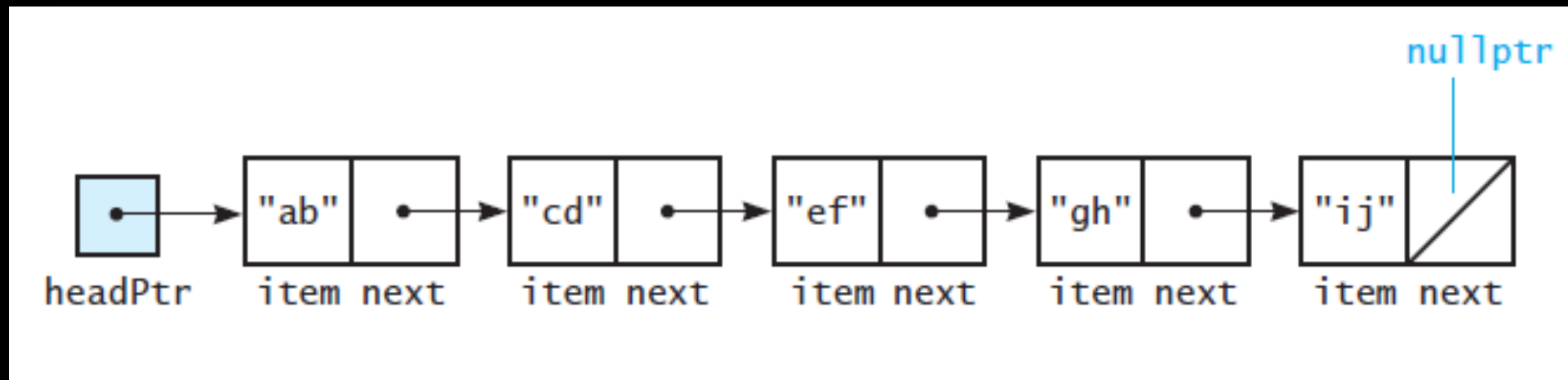
```
template<class T>
LinkedBag<T>::LinkedBag() : head_ptr_(nullptr),
item_count_(0)
{

} // end default constructor
```

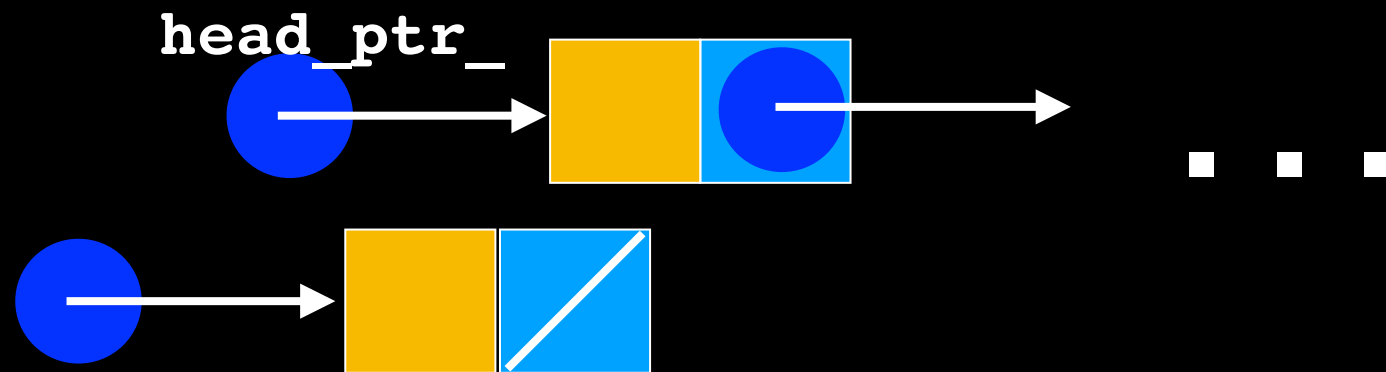
Private data member  
initialization

# Lecture Activity

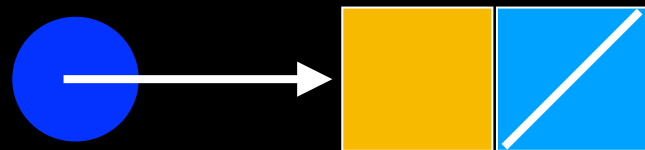
Write **pseudocode** for a sequence of steps to add to the **front** of the chain



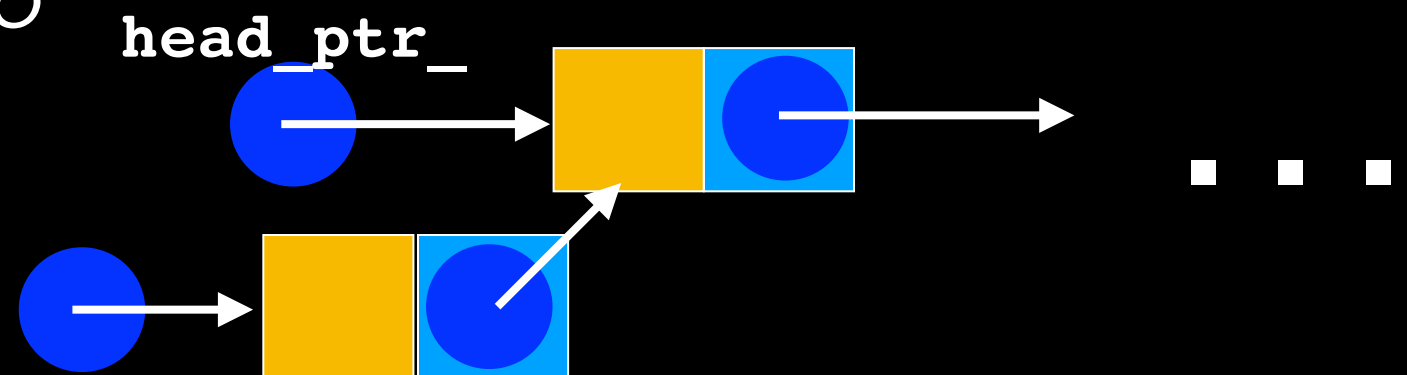
Create a *new* node and let a *temp pointer* point to it



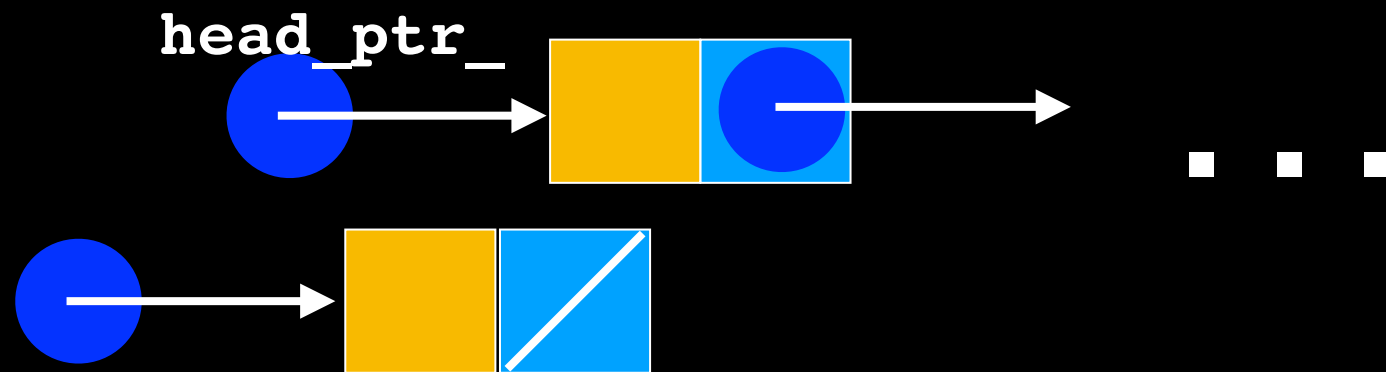
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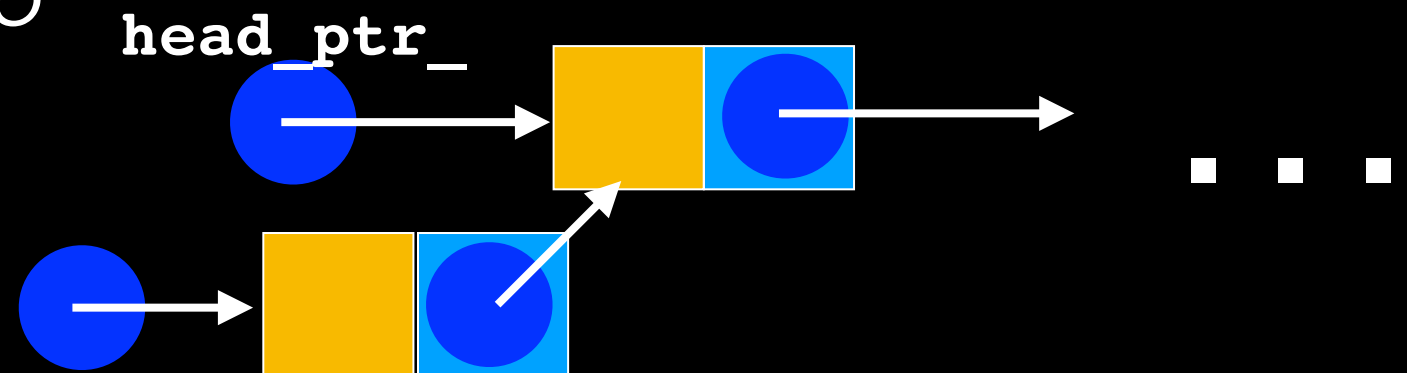
Let the *next pointer* of the *new node* point to the same node *head\_ptr\_* points to



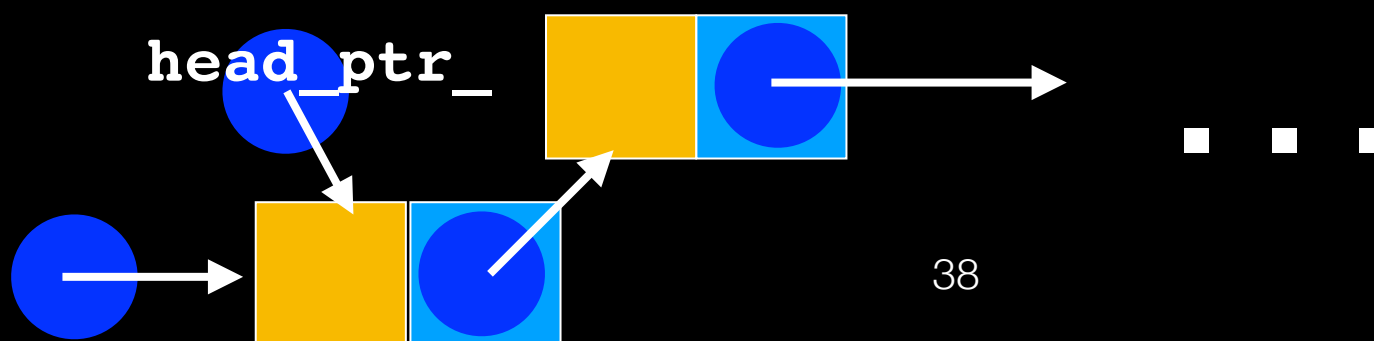
Create a *new* node and let a *temp pointer* point to it



Let the *next pointer* of the *new node* point to the same node *head\_ptr\_* points to



Let *head\_ptr\_* point to the *new node*



# LinkedList Implementation

```
#include "LinkedList.hpp"
```

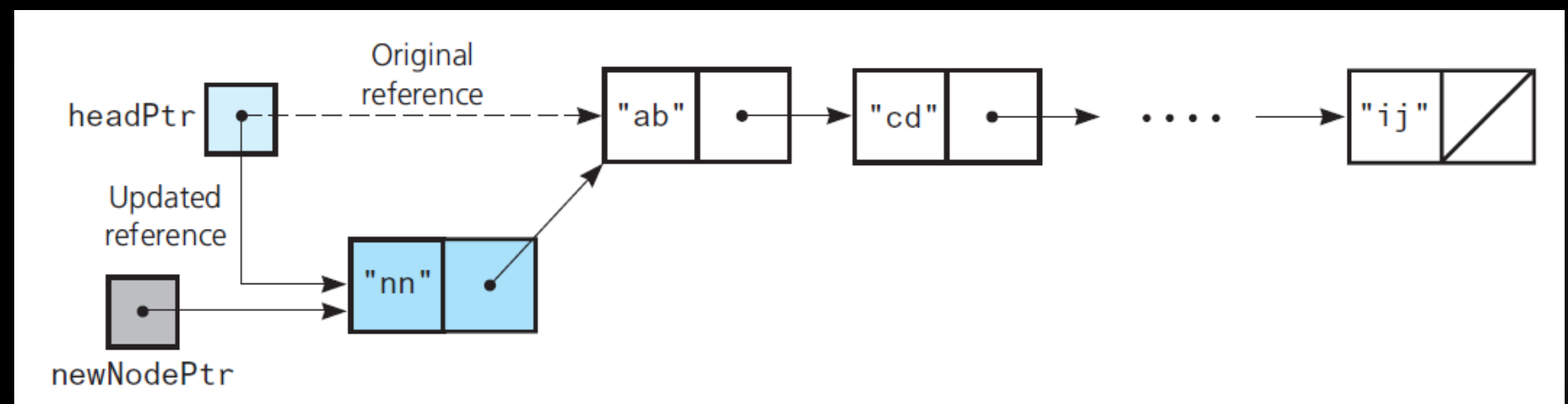
```
template<class T>
bool LinkedList<T>::add(const T& new_entry)
{
    // Add to beginning of chain: new node references rest of chain;
    // (head_ptr_ is null if chain is empty)
    Node<T>* new_node_ptr = new Node<T>();
    new_node_ptr->setItem(new_entry);
    new_node_ptr->setNext(head_ptr_); // New node points to chain

    head_ptr_ = new_node_ptr; // New node is now first node
    item_count_++;

    return true;
} // end add
```

The add method  
Add at beginning of chain is easy  
because we have head\_ptr\_

Dynamic memory  
allocation  
Adding nodes to the heap!

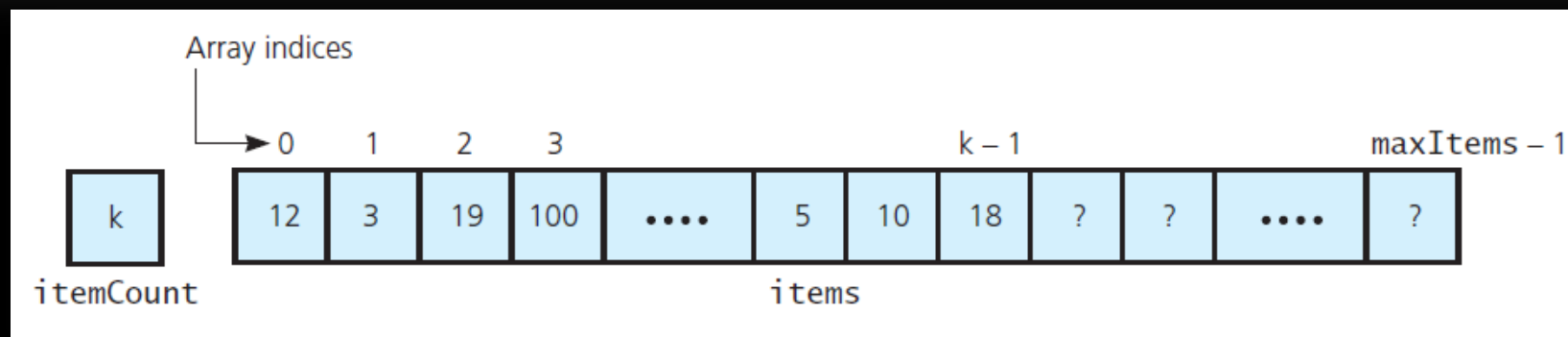
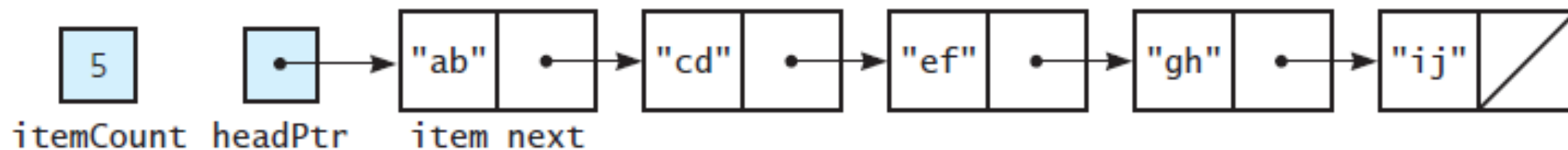


# Efficiency

Create a new node and assign two pointers

What about adding to end of chain?

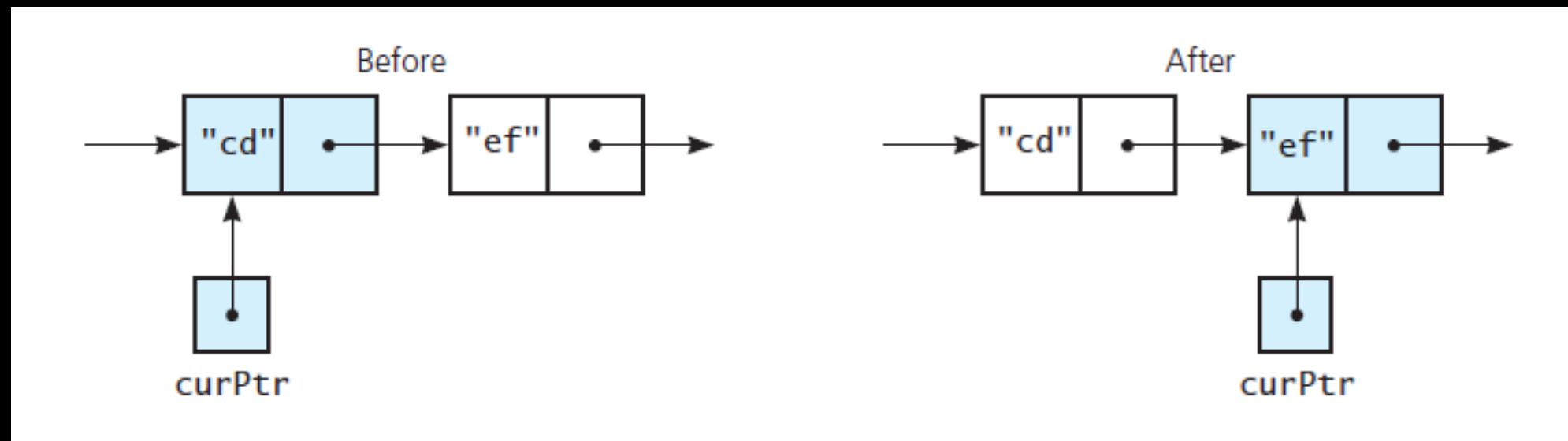
What about adding to front of array?





# Lecture Activity

Write **Pseudocode** to traverse the chain from first node to last



# Traversing the chain

Let a *current pointer point to the first* node in the chain

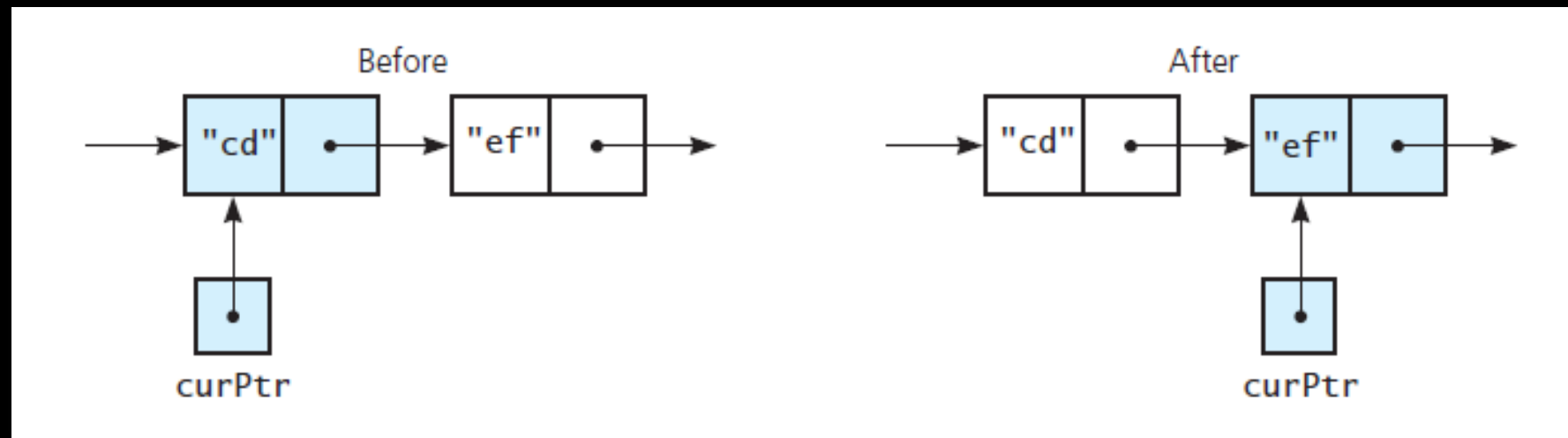
*while*(the *current pointer* is not the *null pointer*)

{

*"visit"* the current node

*set* the *current pointer* to the *next* pointer of the current node

}



# LinkedBag Implementation

```
#include "LinkedBag.hpp"
```

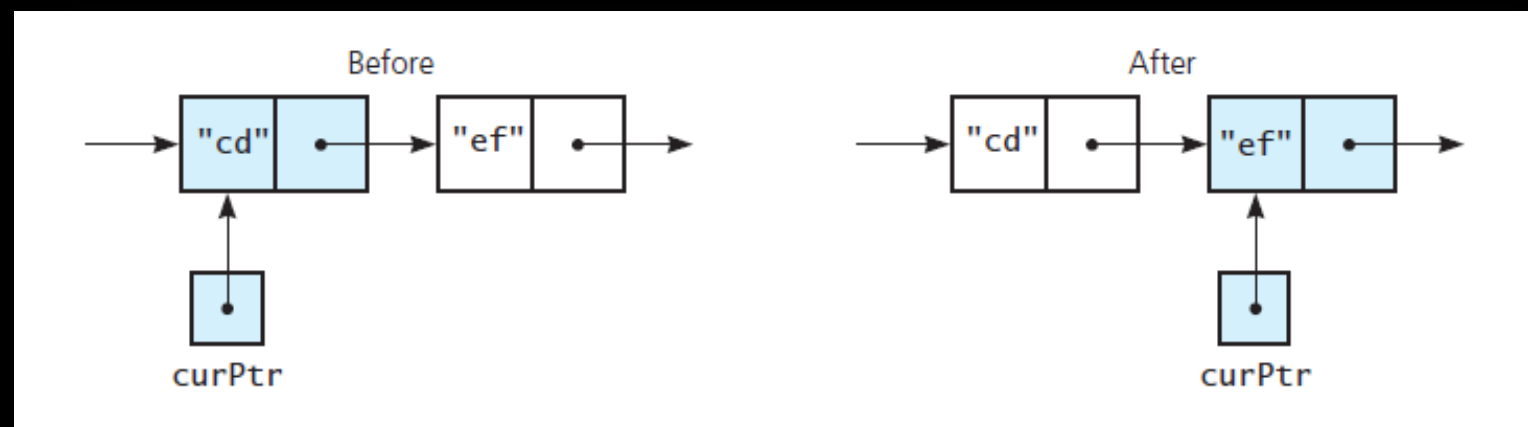
The toVector method

```
template<class T>
std::vector<T> LinkedBag<T>::toVector() const
{
    std::vector<T> bag_contents;
    Node<T>* cur_ptr = head_ptr_;

    while ((cur_ptr != nullptr))
    {
        bag_contents.push_back(cur_ptr->getItem());
        cur_ptr = cur_ptr->getNext();
    } // end while

    return bag_contents;
} // end toVector
```

Traversing:  
Visit each node  
Copy it



# LinkedBag Implementation

Similarly `getFrequencyOf` will:  
        count frequency of (count each) `an_entry`

# LinkedList Implementation

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#include "LinkedList.hpp"
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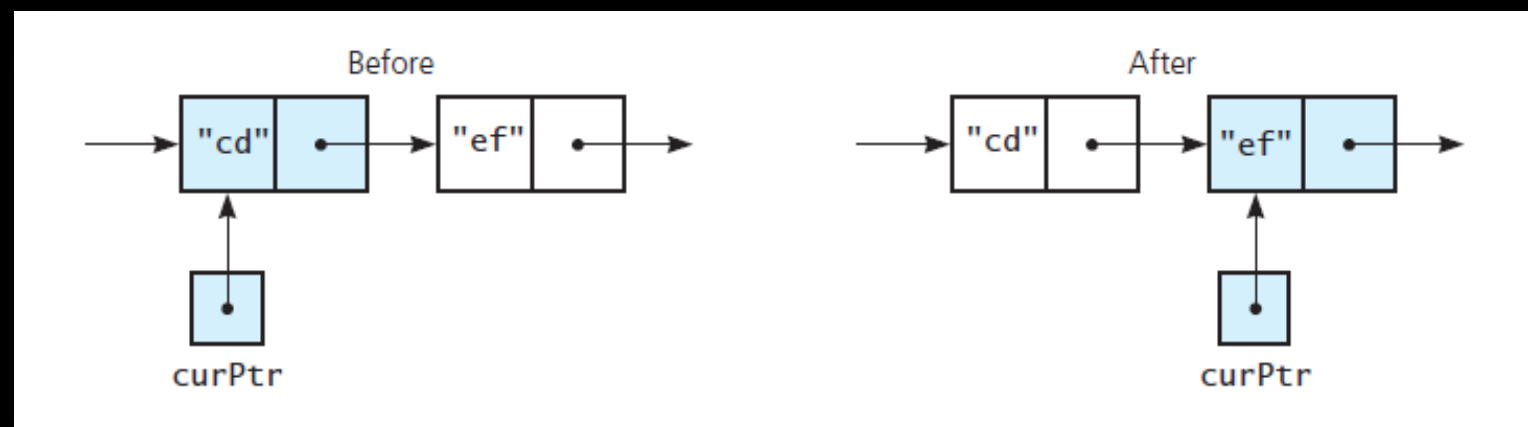
The getPointerTo  
method

```
template<class T>
Node<T>* LinkedList<T>::getPointerTo(const T& an_entry) const
{
    bool found = false;
    Node<T>* cur_ptr = head_ptr_;

    while (!found && (cur_ptr != nullptr))
    {
        if (an_entry == cur_ptr->getItem())
            found = true;
        else
            cur_ptr = cur_ptr->getNext();
    } // end while

    return cur_ptr;
} // end getPointerTo
```

Traversing:  
Visit each node  
if found what looking for  
return

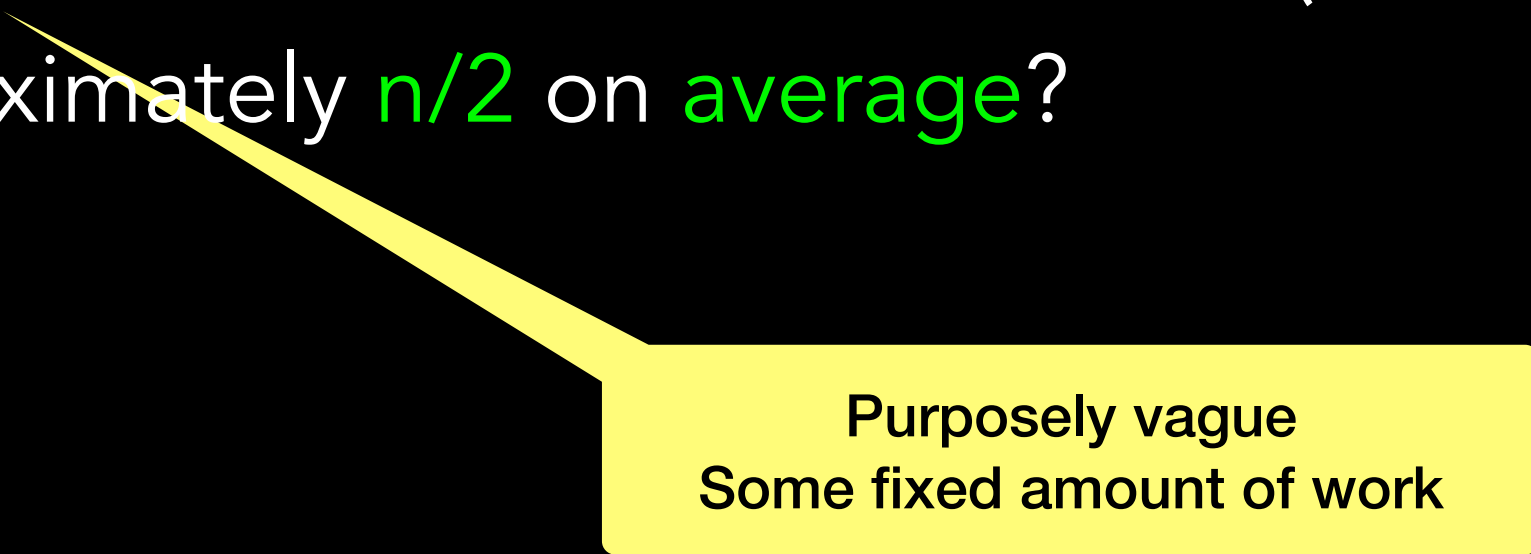


# Efficiency

No fixed number of steps

Depends on location of `an_entry`

- 1 "check" if it is found at first node (best case)
- $n$  "checks" if it is found at last node (worst case)
- approximately  $n/2$  on average?



Purposely vague  
Some fixed amount of work

What should we to do  
remove?

# LinkedList Implementation

```
#include "LinkedList.hpp"
```

The remove method

```
template<class T>
bool LinkedList<T>::remove(const T& an_entry)
{
    Node<T>* entry_ptr = getPointerTo(an_entry);
    bool can_remove = !isEmpty() && (entry_ptr != nullptr);
    if (can_remove)
    {
        // Copy data from first node to located node
        entry_ptr->setItem(head_ptr->getItem());
        // Delete first node
        Node<T>* node_to_delete_ptr = head_ptr;
        head_ptr = head_ptr->getNext();
        // Return node to the system
        node_to_delete_ptr->setNext(nullptr);
        delete node_to_delete_ptr;
        node_to_delete_ptr = nullptr;
        item_count--;
    } // end if

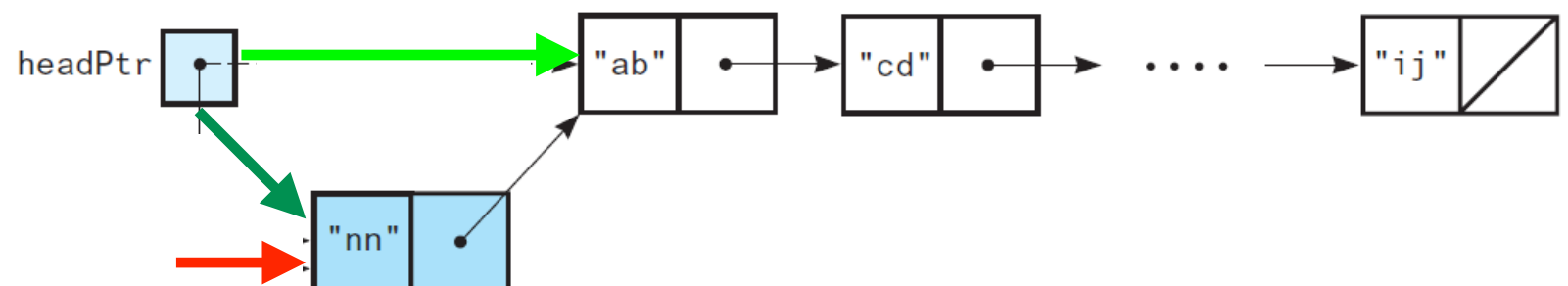
    return can_remove;
} // end remove
```

Find

Deleting first node is easy

Copy data from first node  
to node to delete  
Delete first node

Must do this!!! Avoid memory leaks!!!





# LinkedList Implementation

```
#include "LinkedList.hpp"
```

```
template<class T>
void LinkedList<T>::clear()
{
    Node<T>* node_to_delete_ptr = head_ptr_;
    while (head_ptr_ != nullptr)
    {
        head_ptr_ = head_ptr_->getNext();

        // Return node to the system
        node_to_delete_ptr->setNext(nullptr);
        delete node_to_delete_ptr;

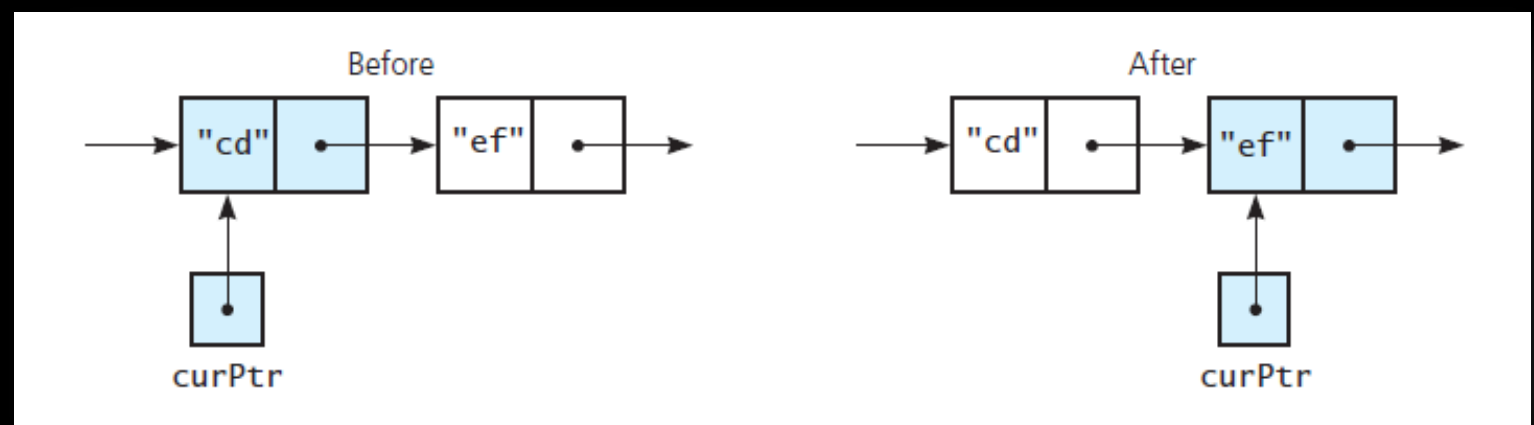
        node_to_delete_ptr = head_ptr_;
    } // end while
    // head_ptr_ is nullptr; node_to_delete_ptr is nullptr

    item_count_ = 0;
} // end clear
```

The clear method

Once again we are **traversing**:  
**Visit** each node  
**Delete** it

Must do this!!! Avoid memory Leak!!!



# Dynamic Memory Considerations

Each new node added to the chain is allocated dynamically and stored on the heap

Programmer must ensure this memory is deallocated when object is destroyed!

Avoid memory leaks!!!!

# LinkedBag Implementation

```
#include "LinkedBag.hpp"
```

The destructor

```
template<class T>
LinkedBag<T>::~~LinkedBag()
{
    clear();
} // end destructor
```

Ensure heap space is  
returned to the system

Must do this!!! Avoid memory leaks!!!

# Copy Constructor

1. **Initialize** one object from another of the same type

```
MyClass one;  
MyClass two = one;
```

More explicitly

```
MyClass one;  
MyClass two(one); // Identical to above.
```

**Creates** a new object  
as a copy of another one

**Compiler will provide one**  
but may not appropriate  
for complex objects

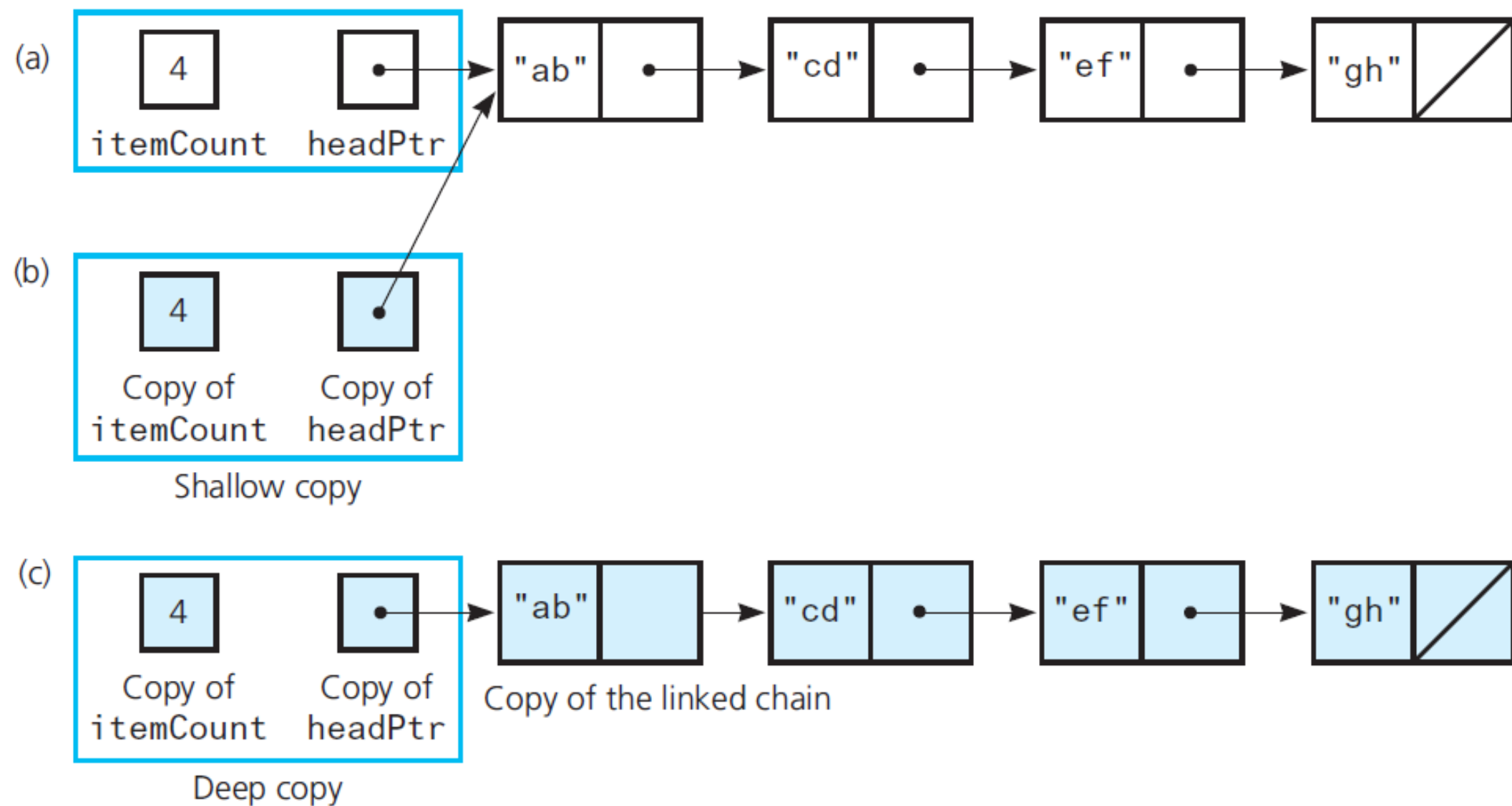
2. Copy an object to **pass by value** as an argument to a function

```
void MyFunction(MyClass arg) {  
    /* ... */  
}
```

3. Copy an object to be **returned** by a function

```
MyClass MyFunction() {  
    MyClass mc;  
    return mc;  
}
```

# Deep vs Shallow Copy



# Overloaded operator=

```
MyClass one;  
//Stuff here  
MyClass two = one;
```

Instantiation: copy  
constructor is called

IS DIFFERENT FROM

```
MyClass one, two;  
//Stuff here  
two = one;
```

Assignment, NOT  
instantiation: no constructor  
is called, must overload  
operator= to avoid  
shallow copy

# LinkedList Implementation

```
#include "LinkedList.hpp"
template<class T>
LinkedList<T>::LinkedList(const LinkedList<T>& a_bag)
{
    item_count_ = a_bag.item_count_;
    Node<T>* orig_chain_ptr = a_bag.head_ptr_; // Points to nodes in original chain
    if (orig_chain_ptr == nullptr)
        head_ptr_ = nullptr; // Original bag is empty
    else
    {
        // Copy first node
        head_ptr_ = new Node<T>();
        head_ptr_>setItem(orig_chain_ptr->getItem());

        // Copy remaining nodes
        Node<T>* new_chain_ptr = head_ptr_; // Points to last node in new chain
        orig_chain_ptr = orig_chain_ptr->getNext(); // Advance original-chain pointer
        while (orig_chain_ptr != nullptr)
        {
            // Get next item from original chain
            T next_item = orig_chain_ptr->getItem();
            // Create a new node containing the next item
            Node<T>* new_node_ptr = new Node<T>(next_item);
            // Link new node to end of new chain
            new_chain_ptr->setNext(new_node_ptr);

            // Advance pointer to new last node
            new_chain_ptr = new_chain_ptr->getNext();
            // Advance original-chain pointer
            orig_chain_ptr = orig_chain_ptr->getNext();
        } // end while
        new_chain_ptr->setNext(nullptr); // Flag end of chain
    } // end if
} // end copy constructor
```

The copy constructor

A constructor whose parameter is an object of the same class

Called when object is initialized with a copy of another object, e.g.

LinkedList<string> my\_bag = your\_bag;

Copy first node

Two **traversing** pointers  
One to **new chain**, one  
to **original chain**

**while**

Copy item from current node

Create new node with item

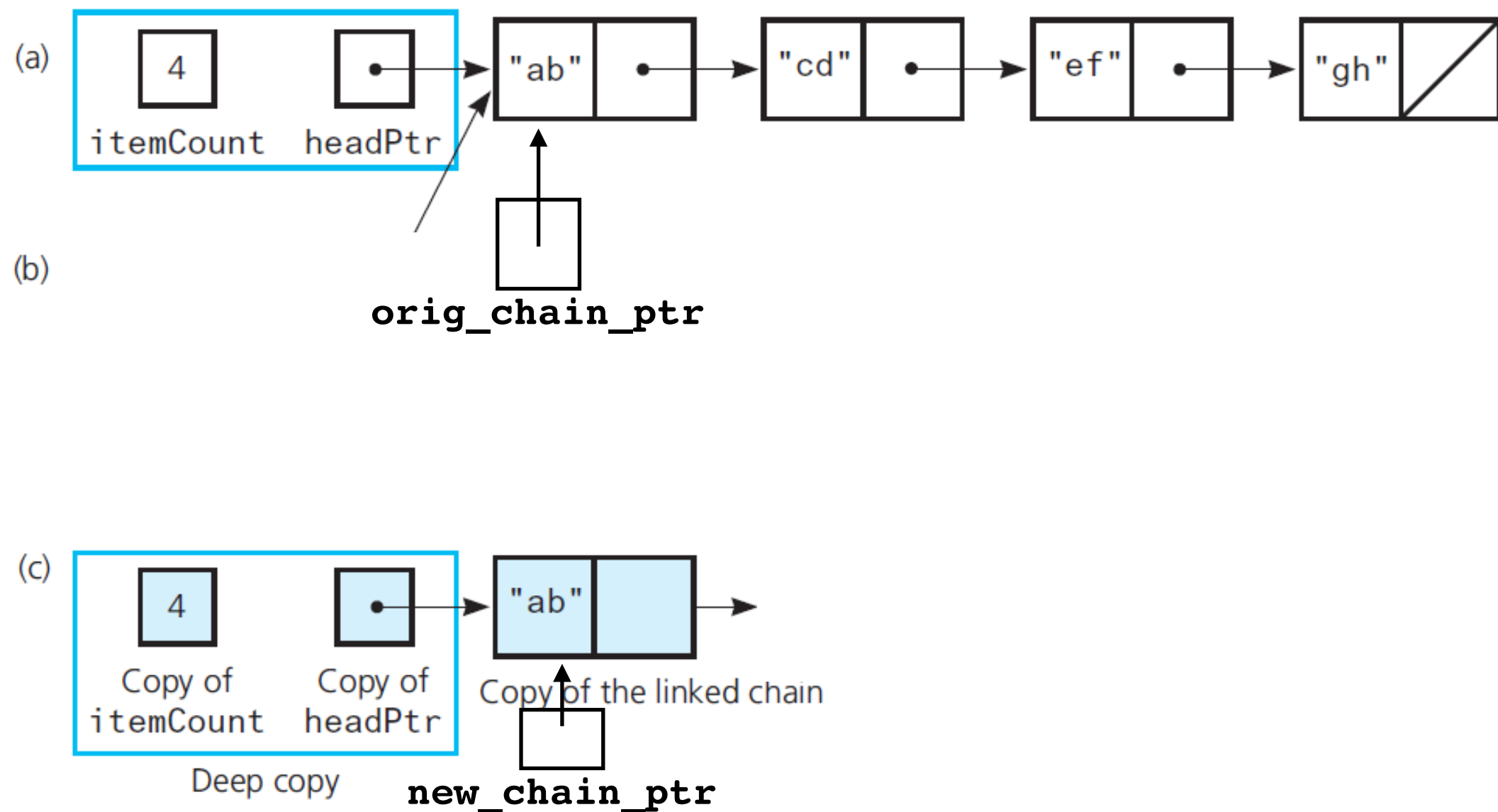
Connect new node to new chain

Advance pointer traversing new chain

Advance pointer traversing original chain

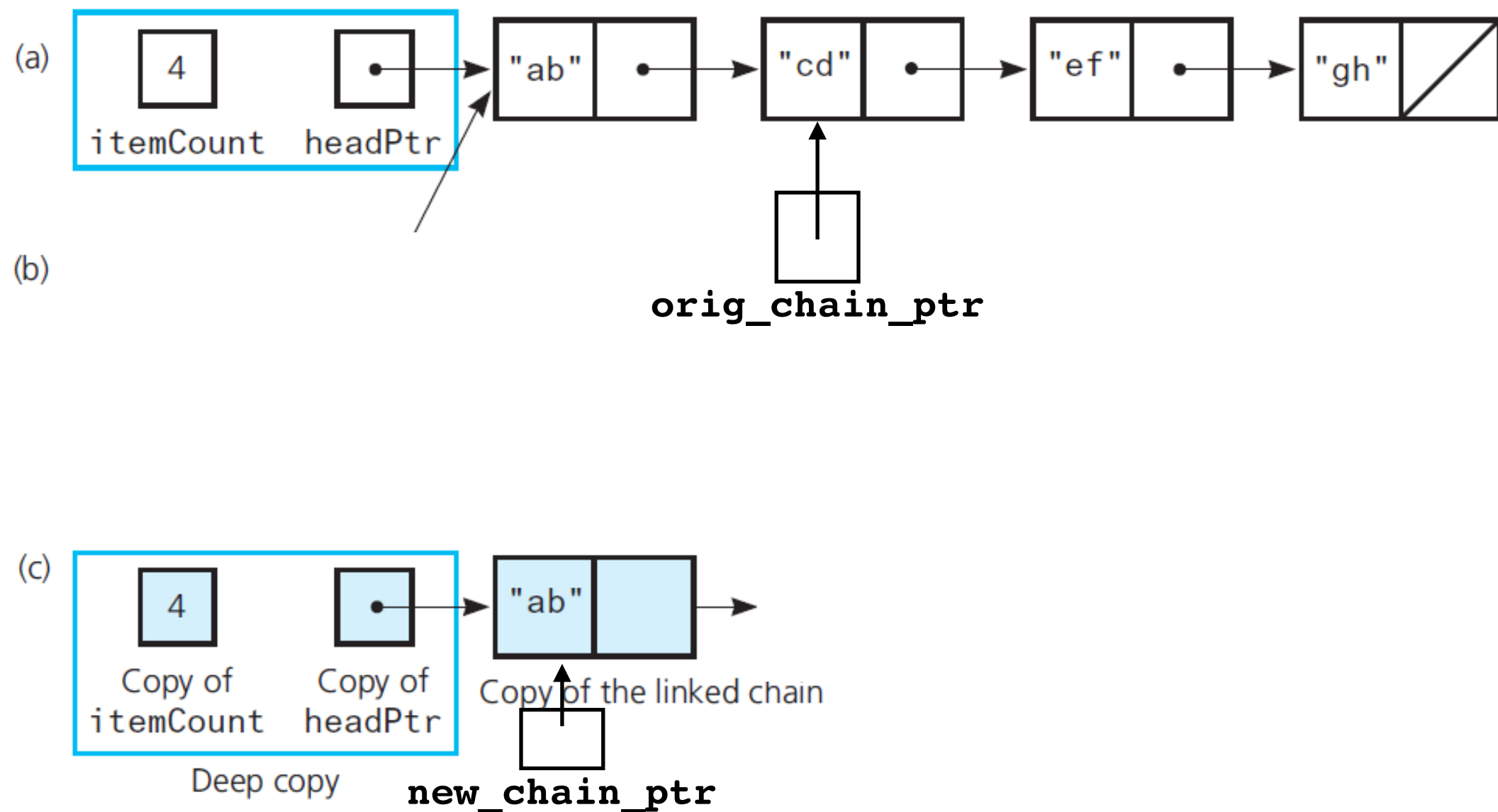
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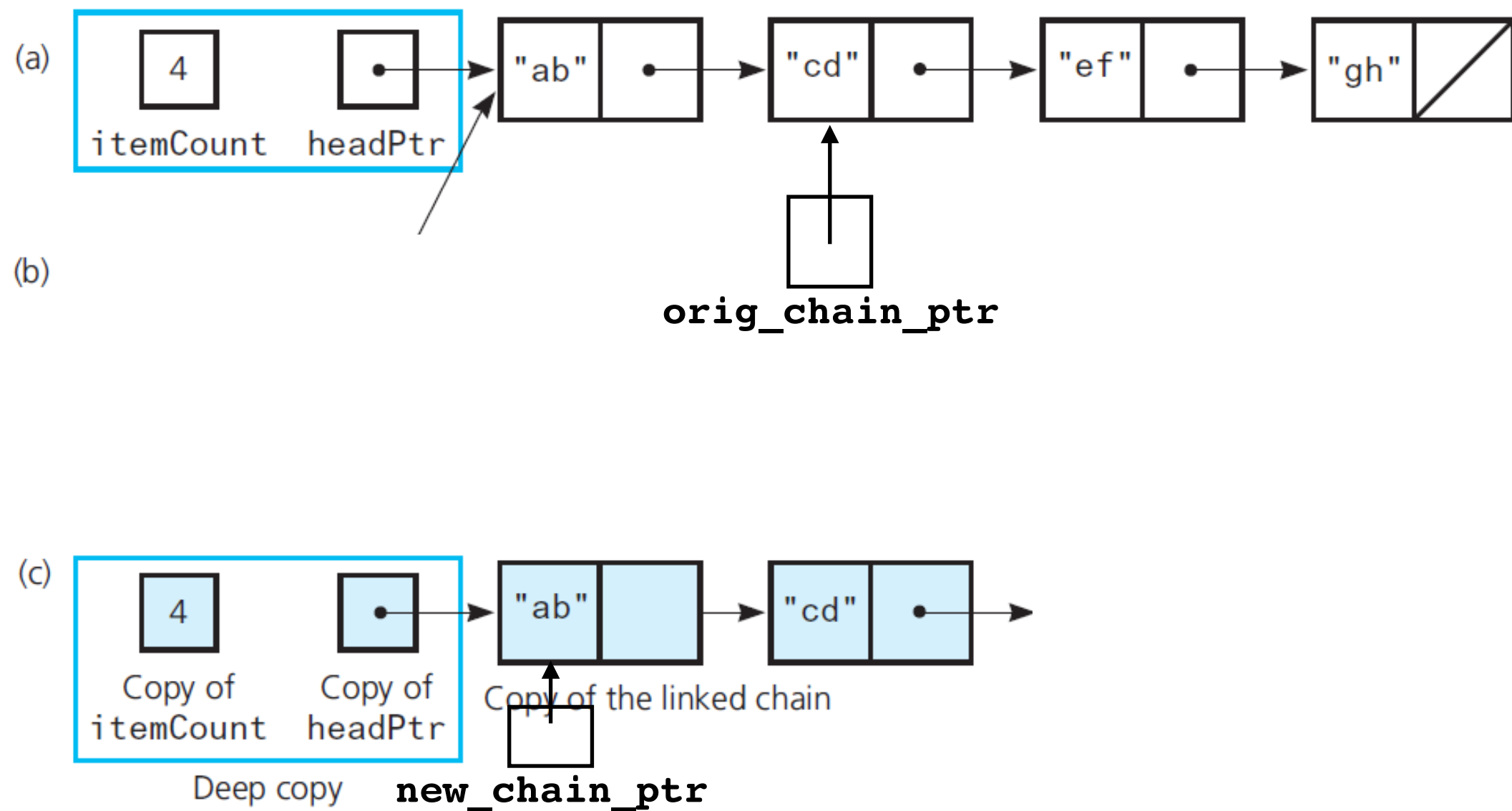




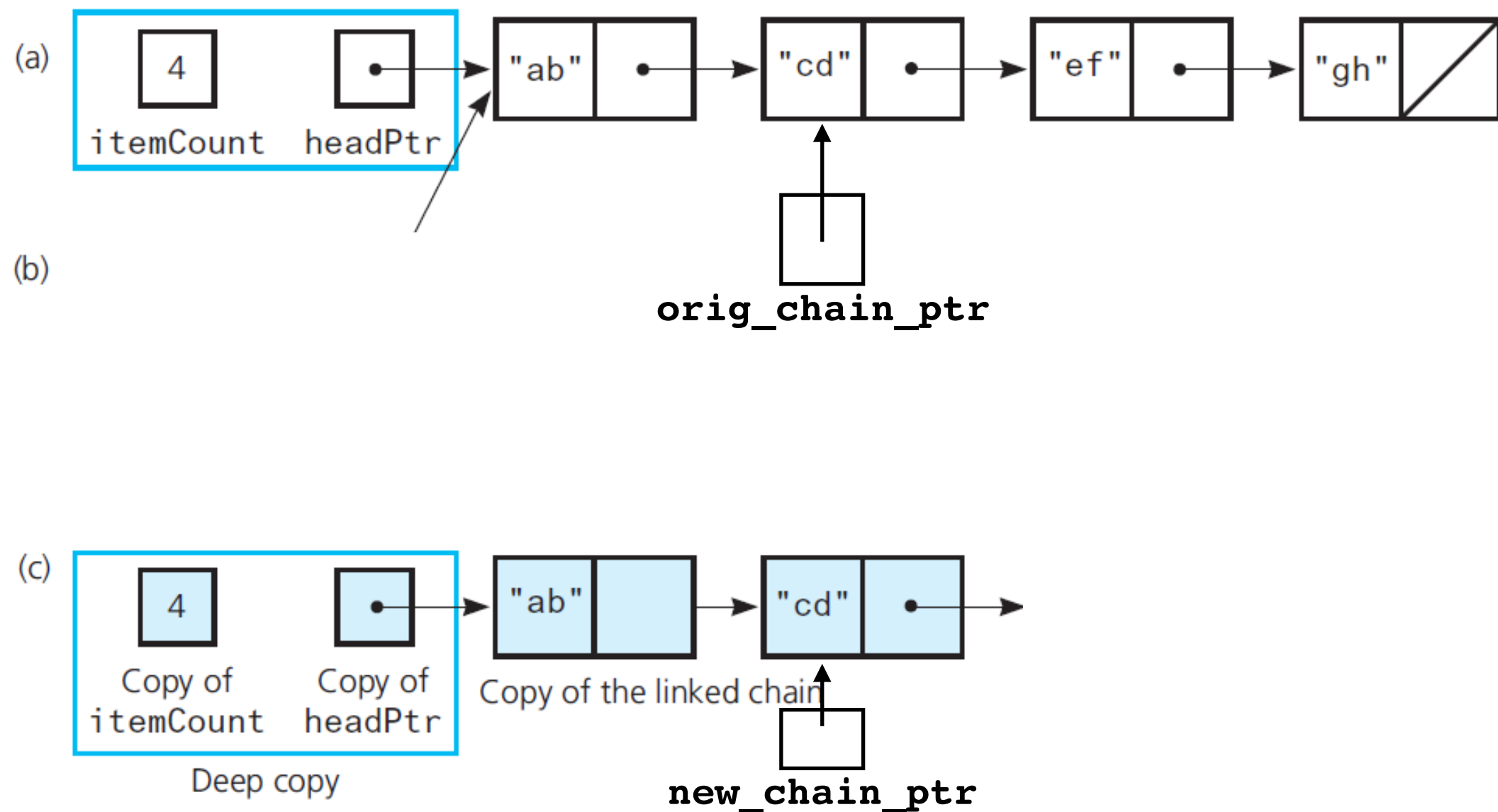
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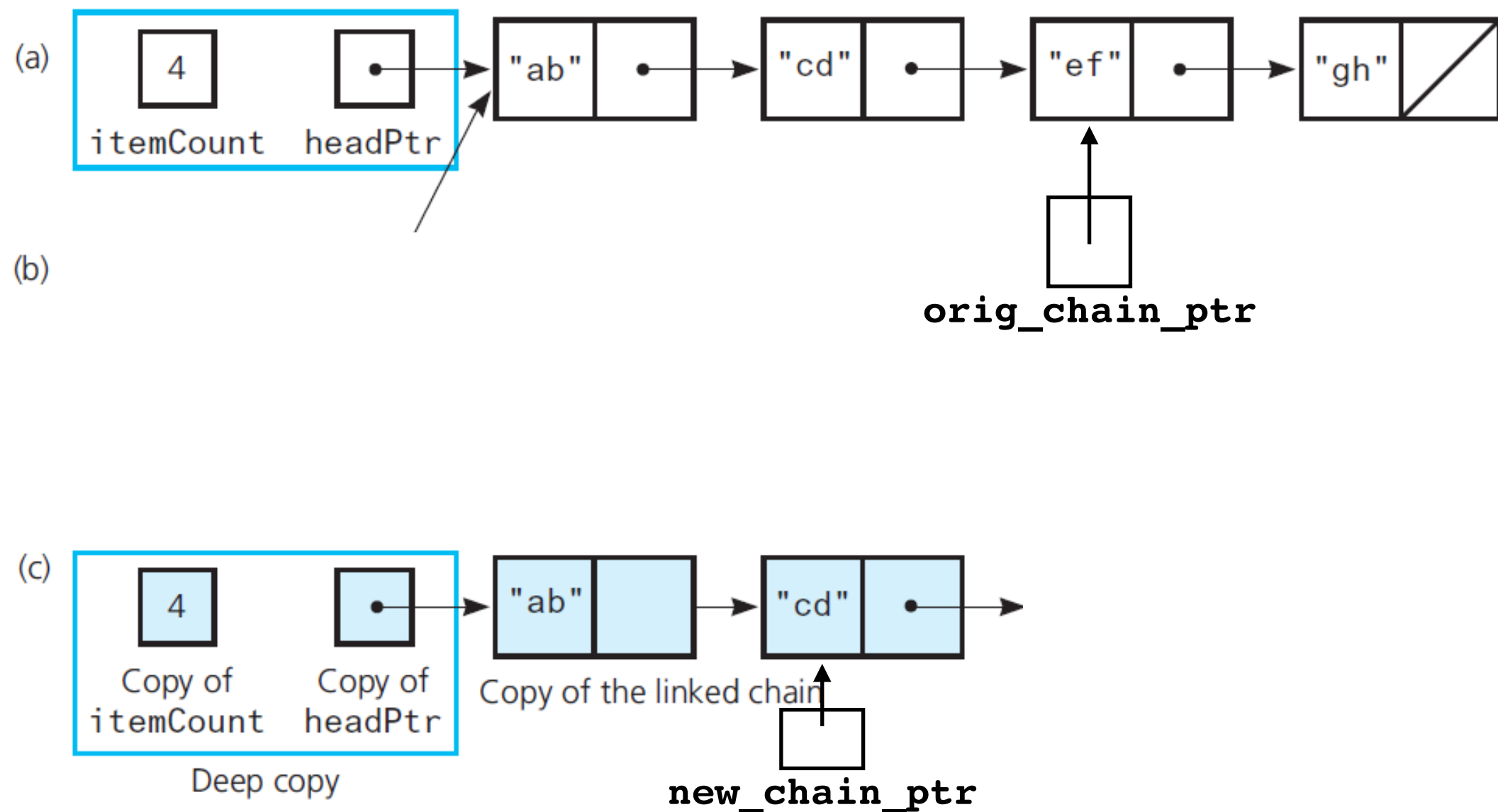
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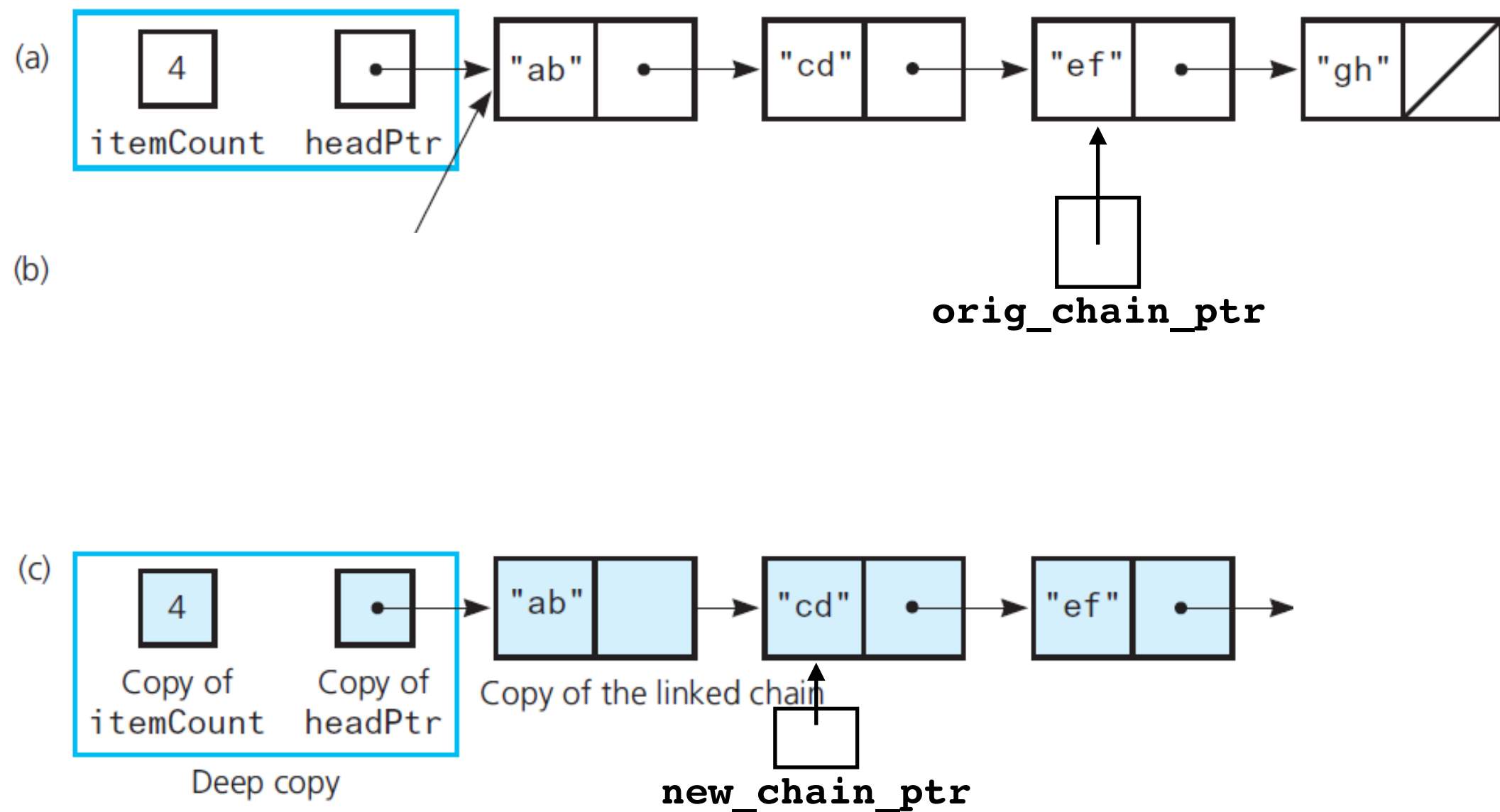
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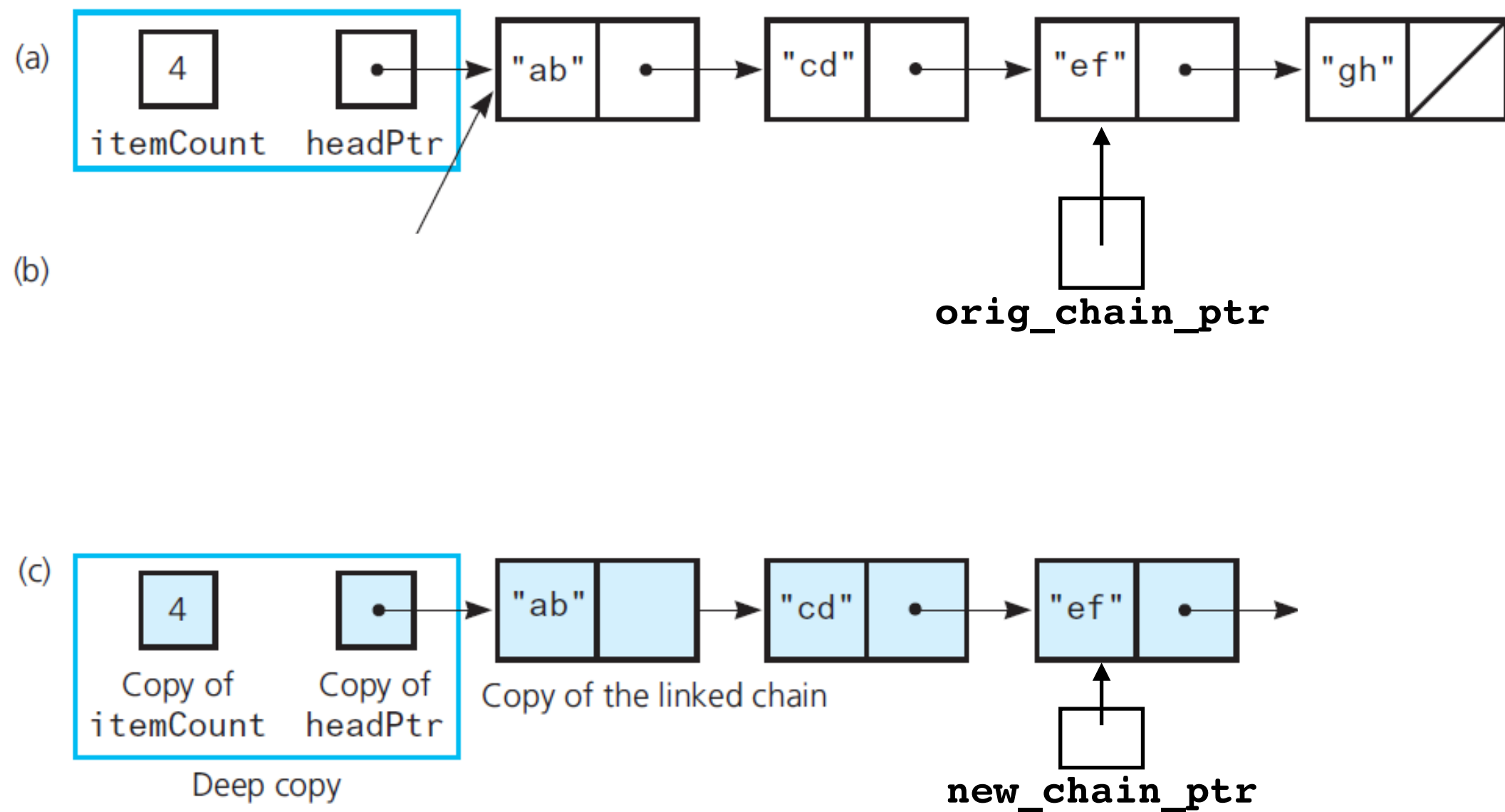
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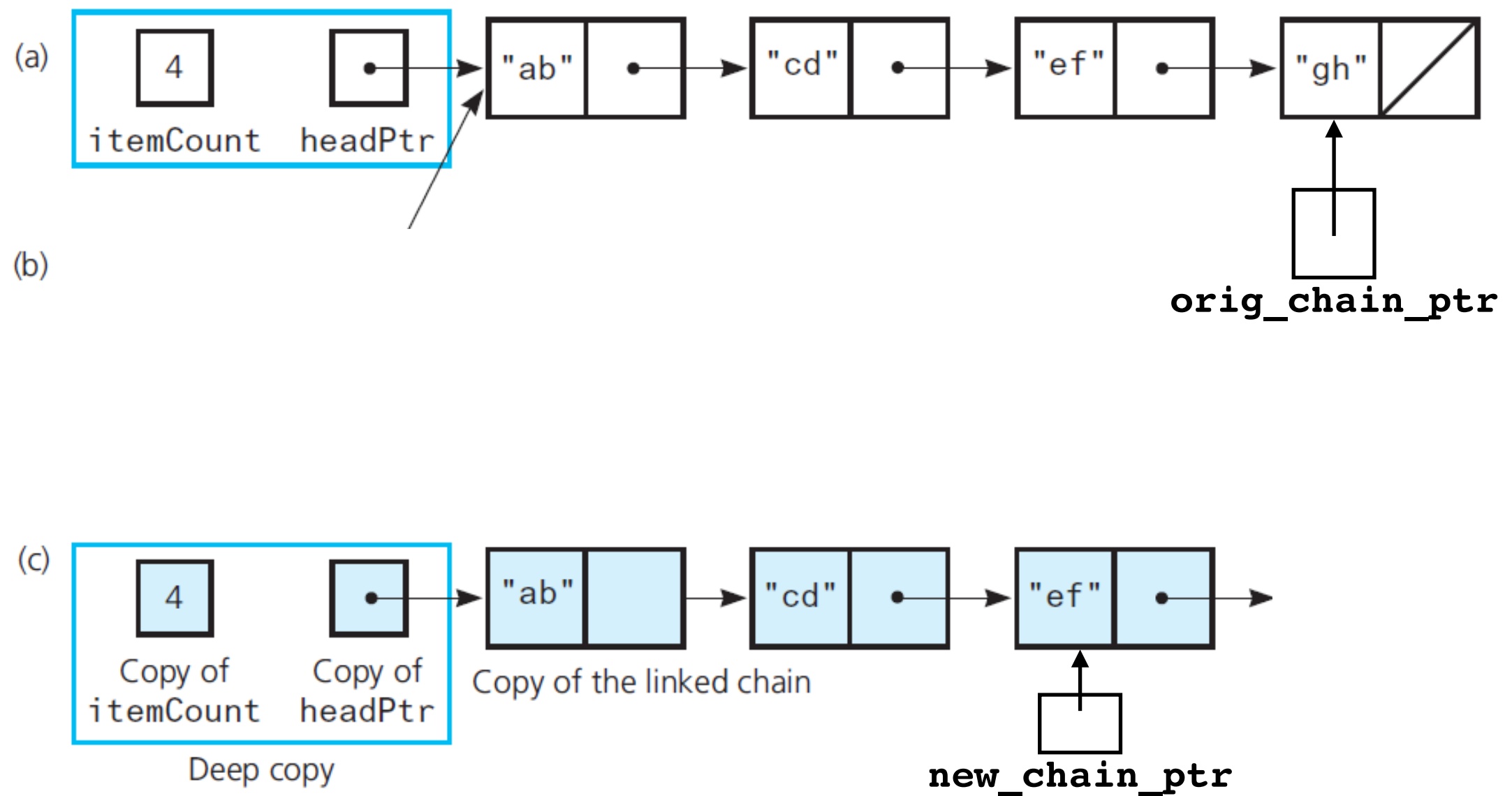
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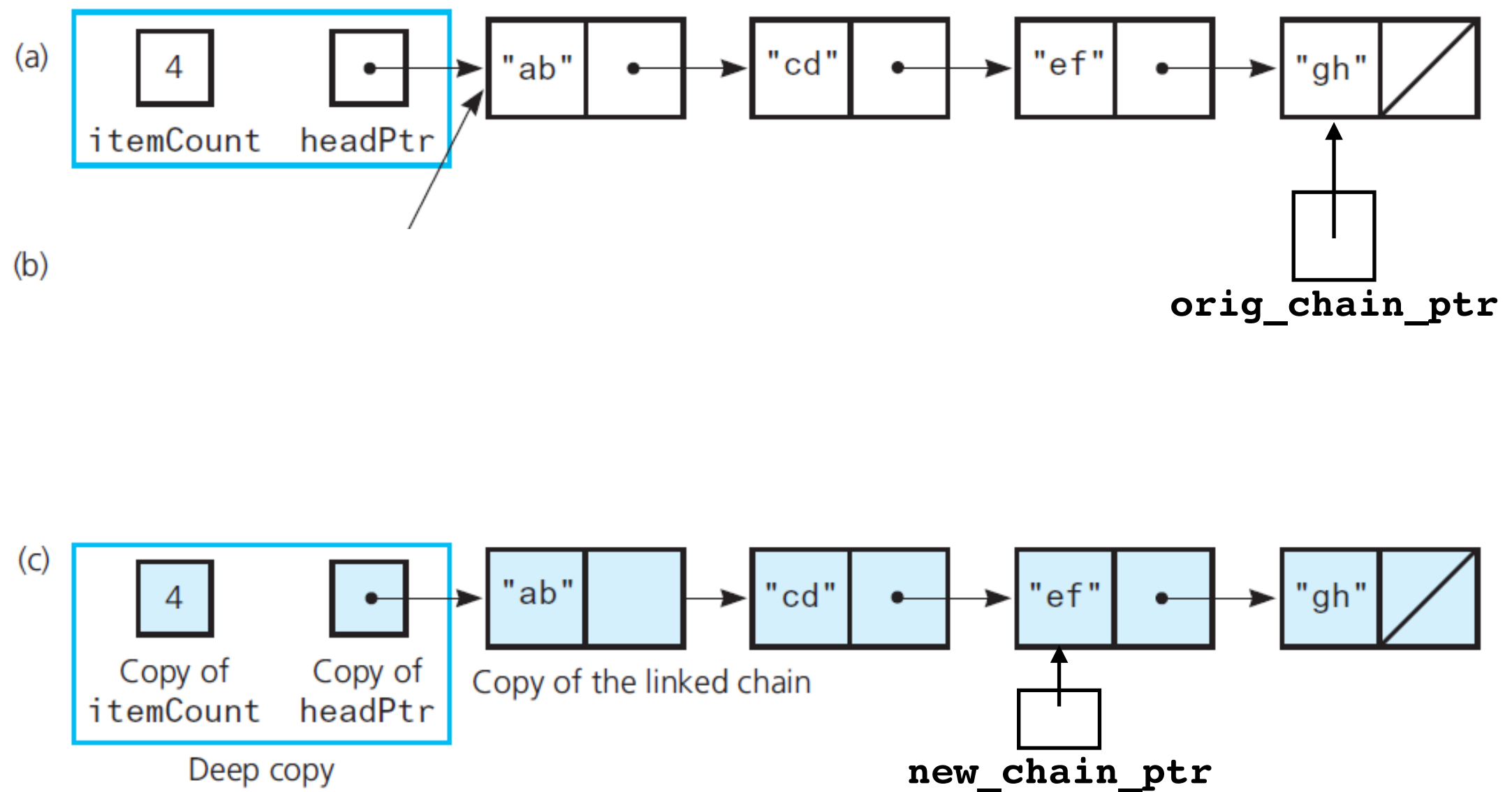
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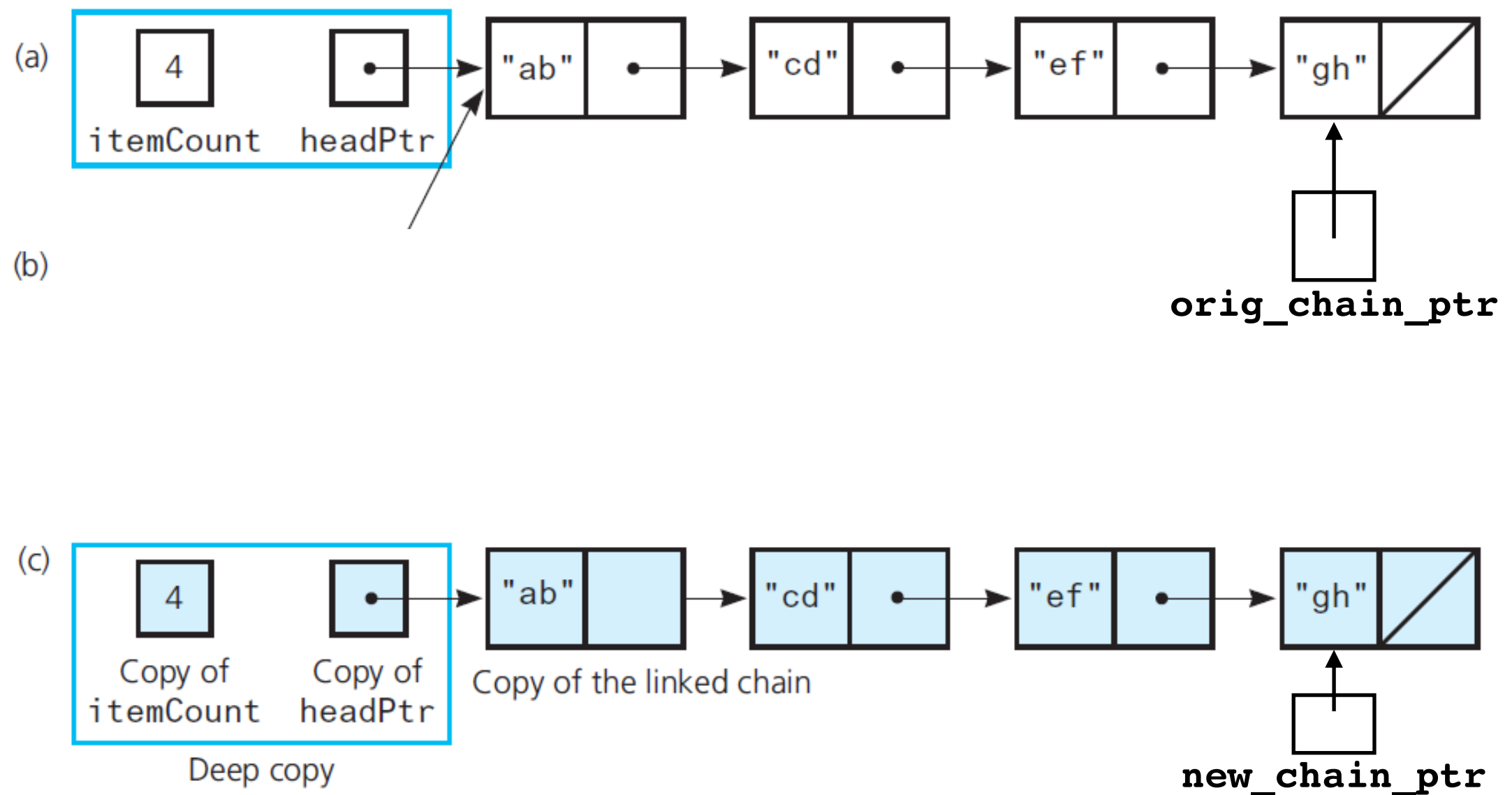


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# Efficiency Considerations

Every time you pass or return an object by value:

- Call copy constructor
- Call destructor

For linked chain:

- Traverse entire chain to copy ( *n* "*steps*")
- Traverse entire chain to destroy ( *n* "*steps*")

Preferred:

```
myFunction(const MyClass& object);
```

# The Class LinkedBag

```
#ifndef LINKED_BAG_H_
#define LINKED_BAG_H_

#include "BagInterface.hpp"
#include "Node.hpp"

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class LinkedBag : public BagInterface<T>
{
public:
    LinkedBag();
    LinkedBag(const LinkedBag<T>& a_bag); // Copy constructor
    virtual ~LinkedBag();                // Destructor should be virtual
    int getCurrentSize() const;
    bool isEmpty() const;
    bool add(const T& new_entry);
    bool remove(const T& an_entry);
    void clear();
    bool contains(const T& an_entry) const;
    int getFrequencyOf(const T& an_entry) const;
    std::vector<T> toVector() const;

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