



COMPSCI 105 S1 2017 Principles of Computer Science

19 Linked List(3)



Agenda & Readings

- ▶ **Agenda**
 - ▶ Variations of Linked Lists
 - ▶ Singly Linked Lists with Head and Tail
 - ▶ Doubly Linked Lists with Dummy head node
- ▶ **Reference:**
 - ▶ Textbook:
 - ▶ Problem Solving with Algorithms and Data Structures
 - Chapter 3 – Lists
 - Chapter 3 – The UnorderedList Abstract Data Type
 - ▶ Extra Reading:
 - ▶ [http://en.literateprograms.org/Singly_linked_list_\(Python\)](http://en.literateprograms.org/Singly_linked_list_(Python))

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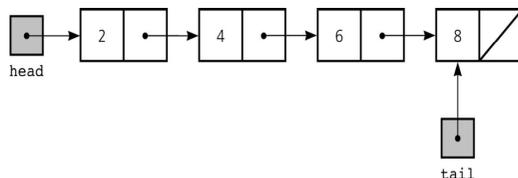
Lecture 19



19.1 Singly Linked Lists

Singly Linked List with Head and Tail

- ▶ In some singly linked list implementations, it is handy to have a reference to the last node of the list
 - ▶ Allow **more efficient access** (i.e. insertion) at the **end** of Linked List
 - ▶ Useful for queue-like structure, e.g. a waiting list



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19.1 Singly Linked Lists

Singly Linked List with Head and Tail

- ▶ **Cases:**
 - ▶ Insertion
 - ▶ General case:
 - Insert a new node to the beginning of a list
 - Insert a new node to the **end** of a list
 - Insert a new node to the middle of a list
 - ▶ An empty list:
 - Insert a new node to an **empty** list

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Singly Linked List with Head and Tail

▶ Cases:

▶ Deletion

▶ General case:

- Remove a node at the beginning of a list
- Remove a node at the **end** of a list
- Remove a node from the middle of a list

▶ Only one node left in the list:

- Remove the **only one node** from a list



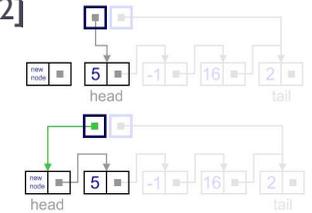
Singly Linked List with Head and Tail

▶ Case 1:

▶ Add to head Original linked list: [5, -1, 16, 2]

```
my_list.add_to_head(100)
for num in my_list:
    print(num, end=" ")
```

100 5 -1 16 2

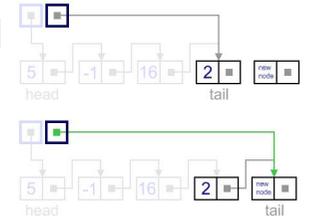


▶ Case 2:

▶ Add to tail Original linked list: [5, -1, 16, 2]

```
my_list.add_to_tail(200)
for num in my_list:
    print(num, end=" ")
```

5 -1 16 2 200



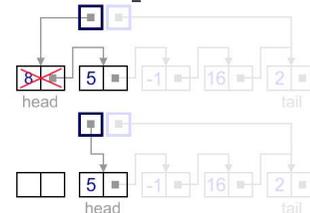
Singly Linked List with Head and Tail

▶ Case 3:

▶ Remove from head Original linked list: [8, 5, -1, 16, 2]

```
my_list.remove_from_head()
for num in my_list:
    print(num, end=" ")
```

5 -1 16 2

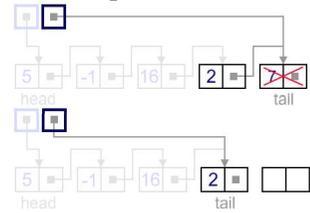


▶ Case 4:

▶ Remove from tail Original linked list: [5, -1, 16, 2, 7]

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my_list.remove_from_tail()
for num in my_list:
    print(num, end=" ")
```

5 -1 16 2



Inserting a Node

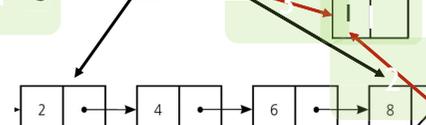
▶ Add an item to the **end** of the Linked List:

▶ General case: (non-empty list)

Count: 5

Head

Tail



```
new_node = Node(item)
self.tail.set_next(new_node)
self.tail = new_node
self.count += 1
```

▶ Steps:

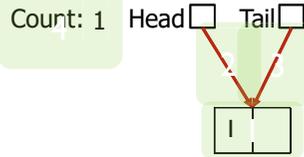
- ▶ Create a new node and place the item as its data
- ▶ Change the **next** reference of the old last node of the list to refer to the new node
- ▶ Modify the **tail** to refer to the new node
- ▶ Increase the count



Inserting a Node

▶ Add an item to an empty Linked List:

▶ Special case: (empty list)



```

1 new_node = Node(item)
2 self.head = new_node
3 if self.tail == None:
4     self.tail = new_node
5 self.count += 1

```

▶ Steps:

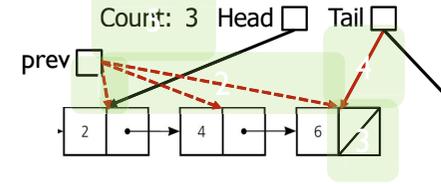
- ▶ Create a new node and place the item as its data
- ▶ Change both the **head** and **tail** to refer to the new node
- ▶ Increase the count



Deleting a Node

▶ Remove an item from the **end** of the Linked List:

▶ General case (non-empty list):



```

1 prev = self.head
2 while (prev.get_next() != self.tail):
3     prev = prev.get_next()
4 prev.set_next(None)
5 self.tail = prev
6 self.count -= 1

```

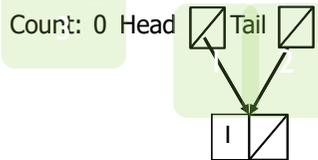
▶ Steps:

- ▶ Locate the previous node
- ▶ Modify the **next** of the previous node to None
- ▶ Modify the **tail** to refer to the previous node
- ▶ Decrease the count



Deleting a Node

▶ Remove a node from a list with one element



```

1 self.head = self.head.get_next()
2 if self.head == None:
3     self.tail = None
4 self.count -= 1

```

▶ Steps:

- ▶ Modify the head and tail to refer to None
- ▶ Decrease the count



Time Complexity

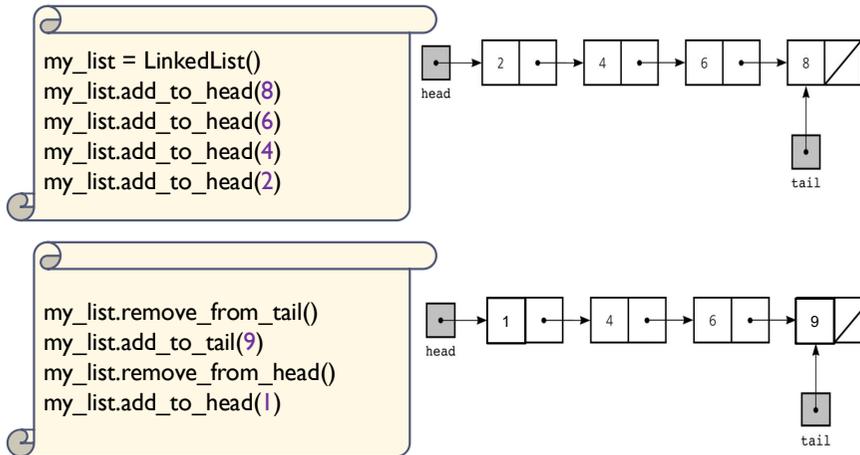
▶ Summary

| | Python List | Singly Linked List |
|-----------------------|--|---|
| is_empty | $O(1)$: if <code>len(my_list) == 0</code> | $O(1)$ |
| size | $O(1)$: <code>len(my_list)</code> | $O(1)$ with count variable $O(n)$ without count variable |
| addToHead | $O(n)$: <code>insert(0, item)</code> | $O(1)$ |
| addToTail | $O(1)$: <code>append</code> | $O(1)$ with tail reference $O(n)$ without tail |
| add | $O(n)$: <code>insert(index, item)</code> | $O(n)$ |
| removeFromHead | $O(n)$: <code>pop(0)</code> | $O(1)$ |
| removeFromTail | $O(1)$: <code>pop()</code> | $O(n)$ even with tail |
| remove | $O(n)$: <code>pop(n)</code> | $O(n)$ |



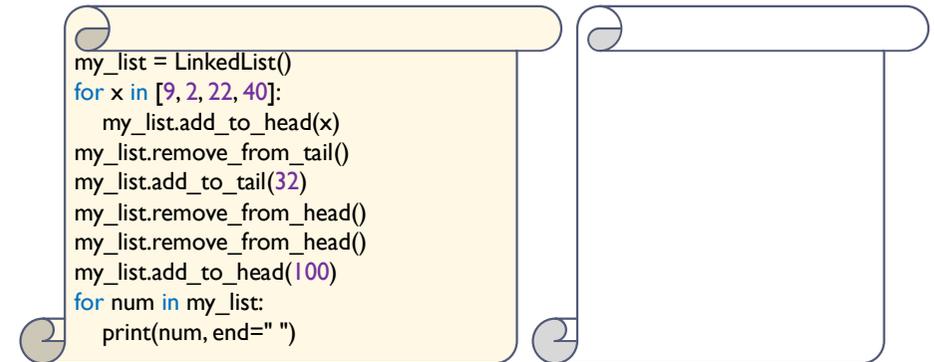
Examples

- ▶ A singly linked list with head and tail references:



Exercise 1

- ▶ What is the output of the following program?



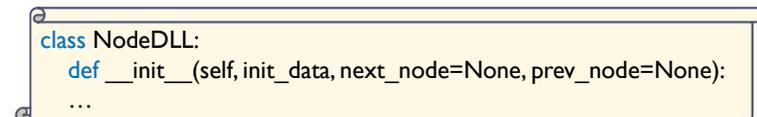
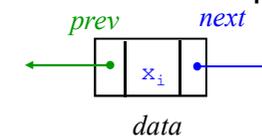
Doubly Linked List

- ▶ A common variation on linked lists is to have two pointers to other nodes within each node:
 - ▶ One to the **next** node on the list
 - ▶ One to the **previous** node
- ▶ Doubly-linked lists make some operations, such as deleting a tail node, more efficient
- ▶ Double-linked lists can have iterators for efficient **forward** and **backward** traversals



Doubly Linked List

- ▶ Each **NodeDLL** references both its predecessor and its successor



- ▶ Each object in a doubly linked list will contain three member variables:
 - ▶ **data**: value stored in this node
 - ▶ **next**: refers to the next node in the list
 - ▶ **prev**: refers to the previous node in the list



NodeDLL Class

Code:

```

class NodeDLL:
    def __init__(self, init_data, next_node=None, prev_node=None):
        ...
    def get_data(self):
        return self.data
    def get_prev(self):
        return self.prev
    def get_next(self):
        return self.next
    def set_data(self, new_data):
        self.data = new_data
    def set_next(self, new_next):
        self.next = new_next
    def set_prev(self, new_prev):
        self.prev = new_prev
    ...

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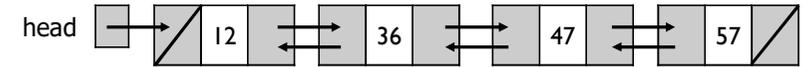


Doubly Linked List

Doubly Linked List

- ▶ A head reference is used to reference the first node in the list
- ▶ A tail reference points to the last node.
- ▶ Examples:

- ▶ A doubly linked list with 4 nodes:



- ▶ An Empty list:



Inserting a Node

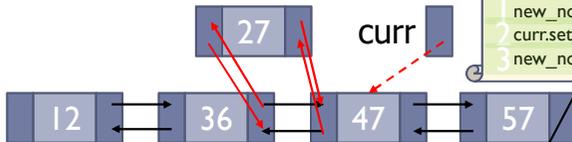
Add an item to the middle of the Linked List:

- ▶ General case: (non-empty list)

```

def add_before(self, item, curr):
    1 new_node = NodeDLL(item, curr, curr.get_prev())
    2 curr.set_prev(new_node)
    3 new_node.get_prev().set_next(new_node)

```



Steps:

- ▶ Create a new node and place the item as its data
 - Set the **next** of the new node to refer to the **curr**
 - Set the **prev** of the new node to refer to the previous node of **curr**
- ▶ Modify the **prev** of the **curr** node to refer to the new node
- ▶ Modify the next of the node that is to precede the new node to refer to the new node



Inserting a Node

Add an item to the Linked List:

- ▶ However, we still need to handle insertion in different cases:

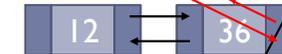
- ▶ Case 1: an empty list



- ▶ Case 2: at the beginning of the list



- ▶ Case 3: at the end of the list

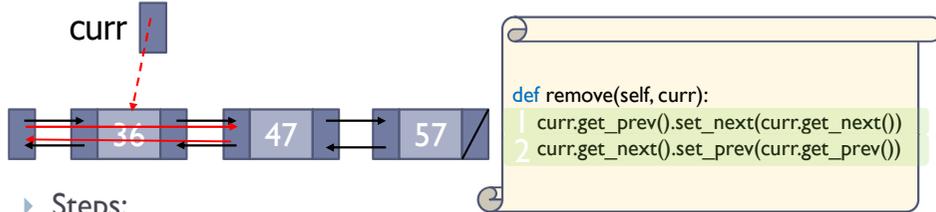




Deleting a Node

Remove an item from the middle of the Linked List:

- General case: (non-empty list)



Steps:

- Modify the **next** of the node that precede **curr** so that it refers to the node that follows **curr**
- Modify the **prev** of the node that follows **curr** so that it refers to the node that precedes **curr**

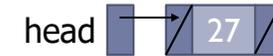


Deleting a Node

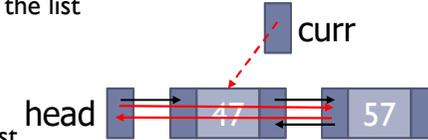
Remove an item from the the Linked List

- However, we still need to handle insertion in different cases:

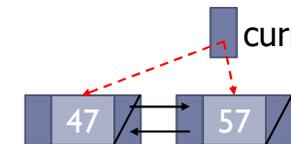
- Case 1: One element



- Case 2: at the beginning of the list



- Case 3: at the end of the list

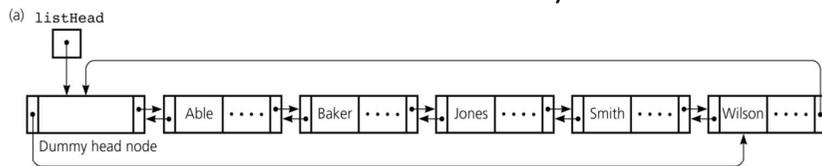


Circular + Dummy Head Node

How can we simplify the implementation?

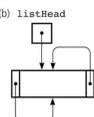
- Use Circular doubly linked list with a dummy head node

- The prev of the dummy head node refers to the last node
- The next of the last node refers to the dummy head node



- Eliminates special cases for insertions and deletions

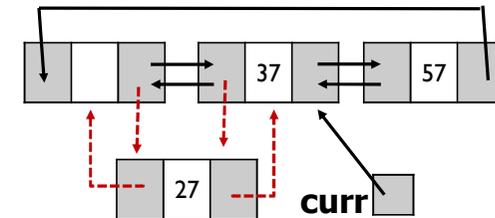
- Dummy head node is always present, even when the linked list is empty



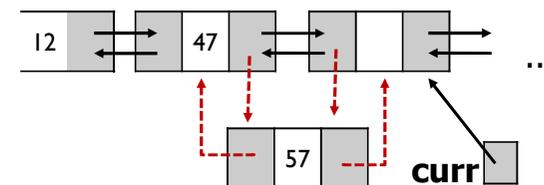
Circular + Dummy Head Node

Inserting a Node

- At the beginning:



- At the end:

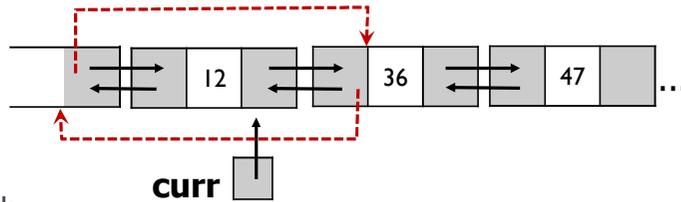




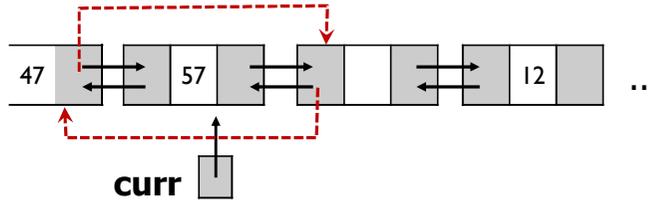
Circular + Dummy Head Node

▶ Deleting a Node

▶ At the beginning:



▶ At the end:



Time Complexity

▶ Summary

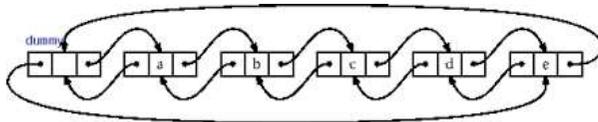
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|-----------|-------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| is_empty | $O(1)$ | $O(1)$ | $O(1)$ |
| size | $O(1)$ | $O(1)$ with count | $O(1)$ with count |
| addTohead | $O(n)$ | $O(1)$ | $O(1)$ |
| addToTail | $O(1)$ | $O(1)$ with tail $O(n)$ without | $O(1)$ |
| add | $O(n)$ | $O(n)$ | $O(n)$ |



Exercise 2

▶ Consider the following code fragment

```
from LinkedListDLL import LinkedListDLL
def Test_DoublyLinkedList():
    my_list.add_to_tail('b')
    my_list.add_to_tail('c')
    my_list.add_to_head('a')
    my_list.add_to_tail('d')
    my_list.add_to_tail('e')
```



Exercise 2

▶ Consider the following code fragment

```
from LinkedListDLL import LinkedListDLL
def Test_DoublyLinkedList():
    my_list.add_to_tail(2)
    my_list.add_to_tail(4)
    my_list.add_to_head(6)
    my_list.add_to_tail(8)
```

▶ Draw the resulting doubly linked list in the space provided



Summary

- ▶ Understand and learn how to implement the singly linked-list
- ▶ Understand and learn how to implement the doubly linked-list