

Intermediate Programming

Day 18

Outline

- Linked lists
- Review questions

Linked lists

We've seen some linked-list operations

- Create a node
- Add a node after a node
- Get the length of the list
- Print out the contents

We need some more:

- Add to the front of the list
- Remove an element from the list
- Deallocate memory associated to the list
- Make a copy of the list

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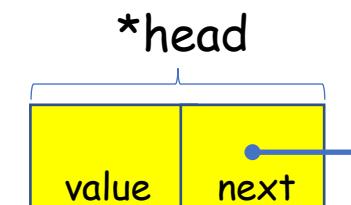
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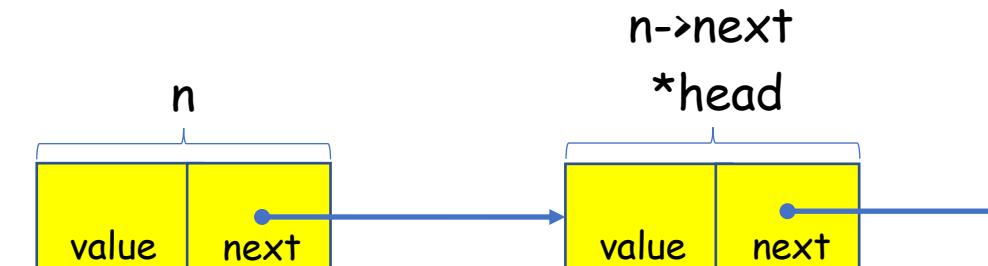
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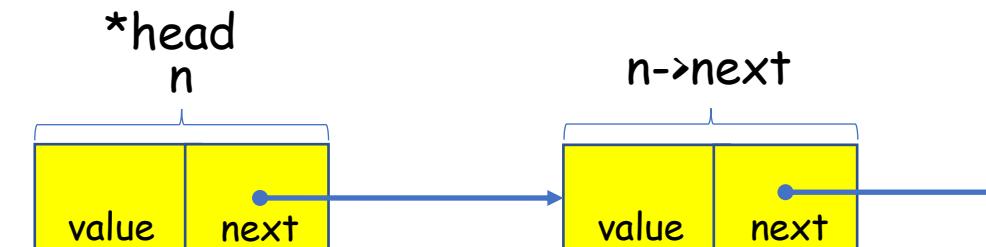
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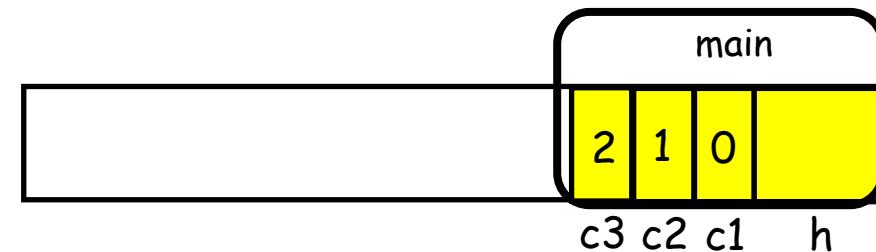
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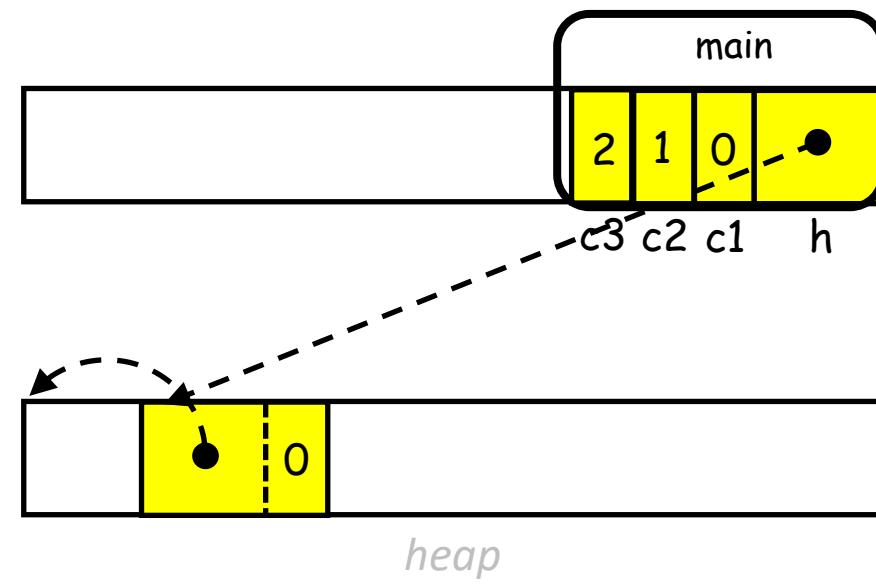
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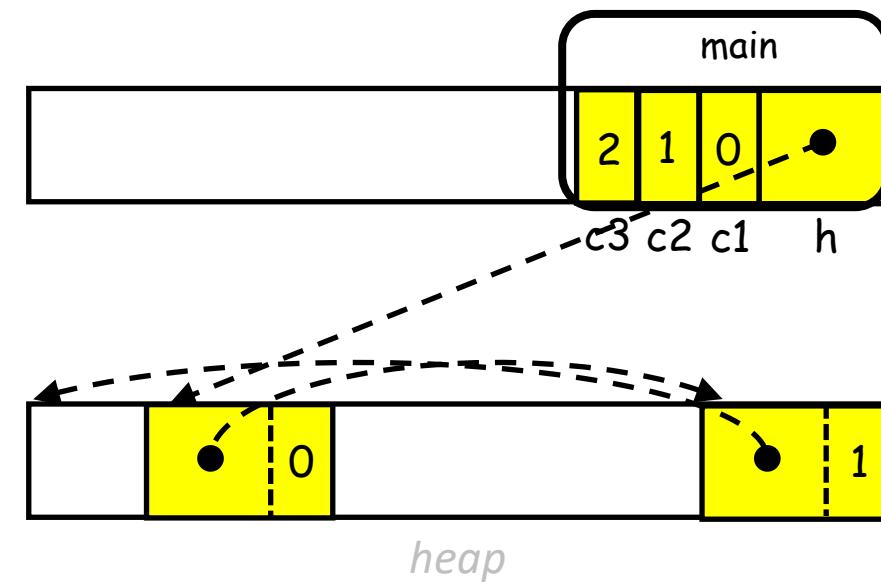
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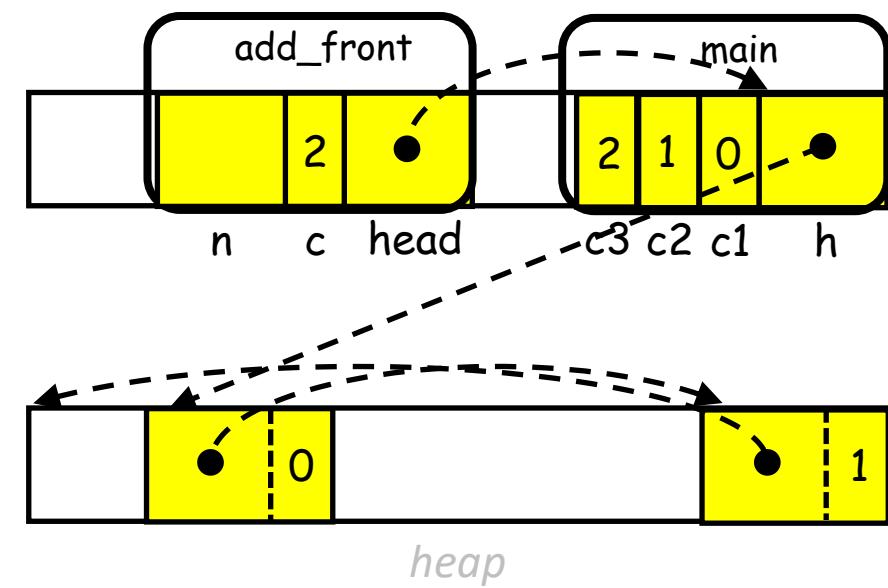
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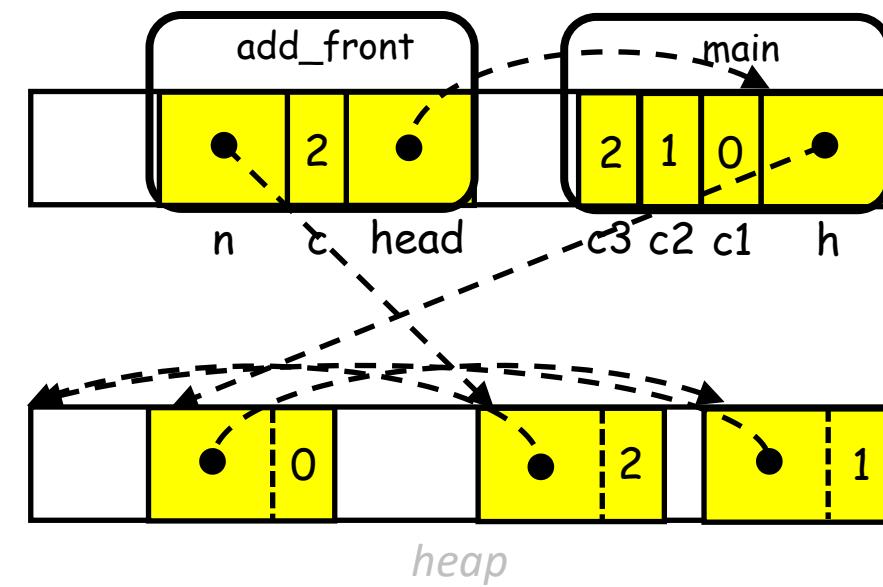
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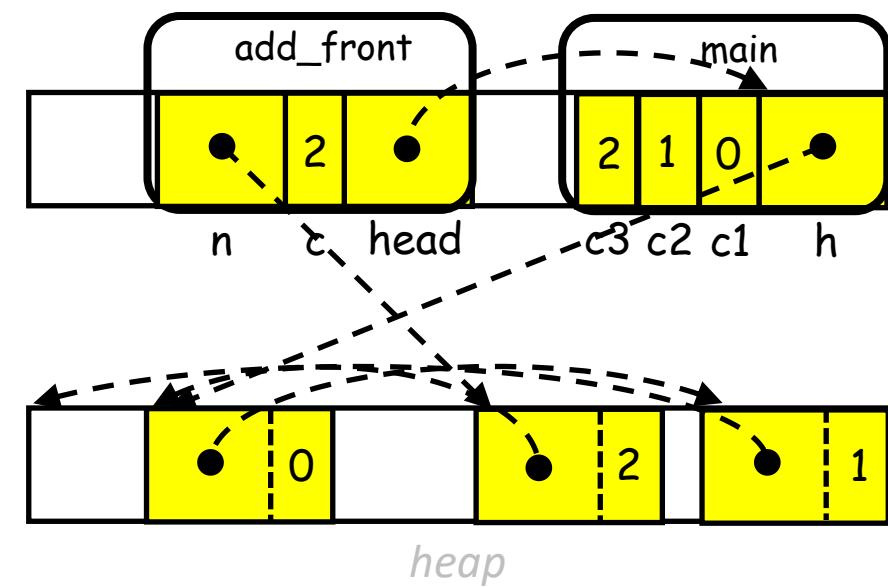
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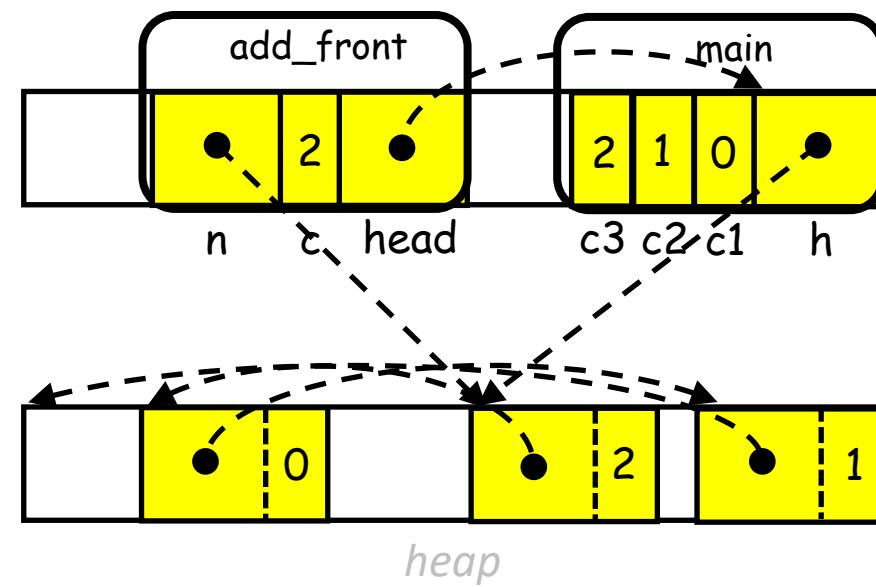
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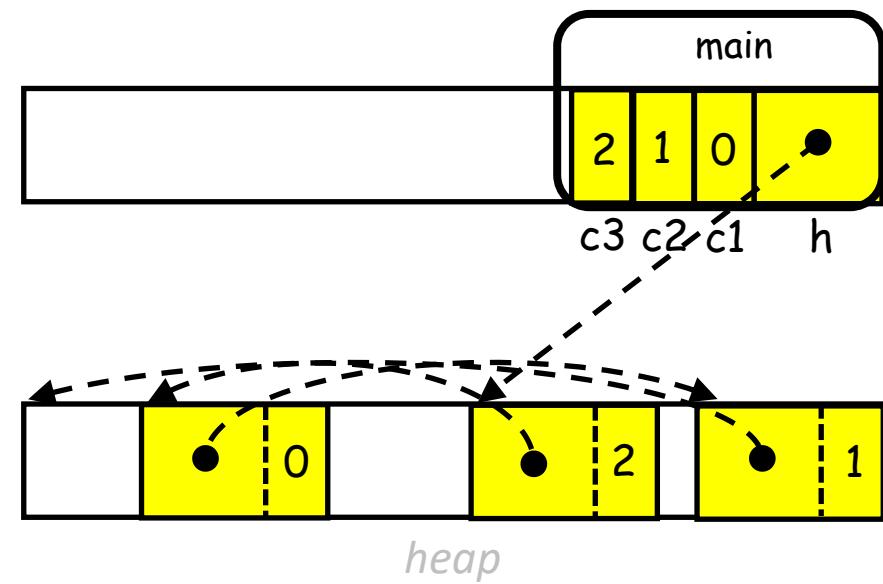
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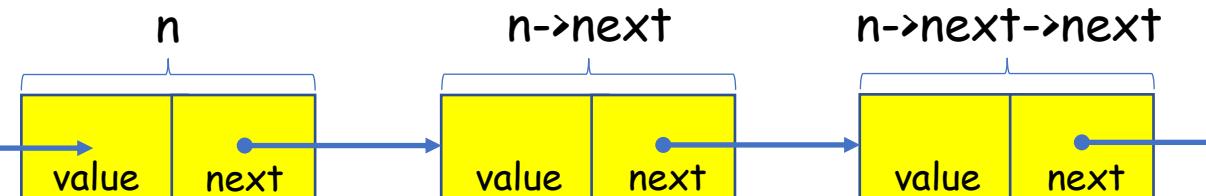
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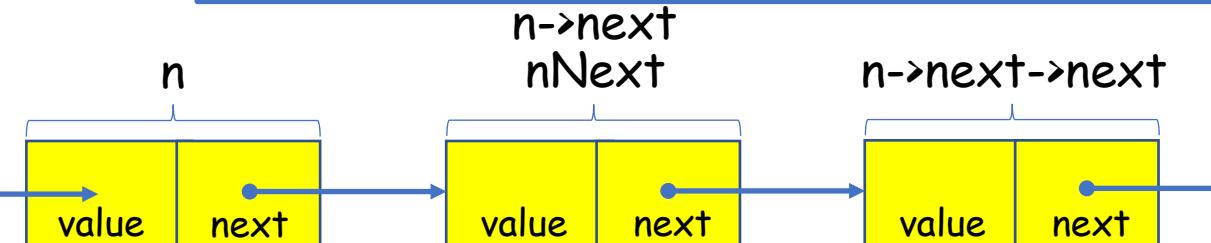
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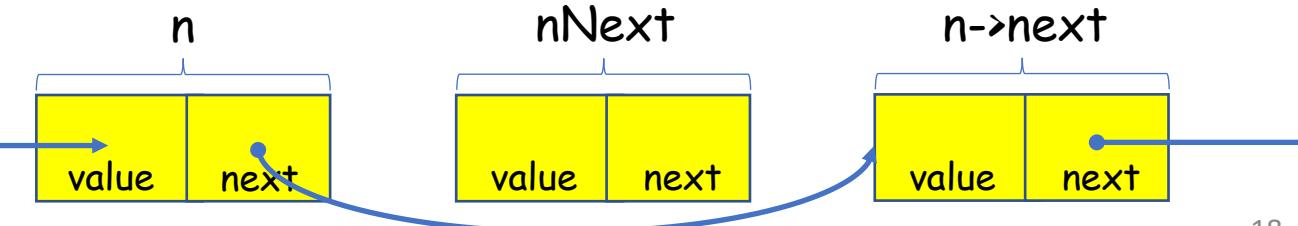
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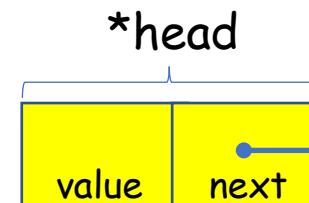
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- Copying
 - Create a new node with the head's value
 - Make it's `next` a (recursive) deep copy of the remainder of the list

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#include "charList.h"
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Node *copy( const Node *head )
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Example (sorting chars)

- Read in **chars** from the **stdin** and insert them into a linked list, sorted from smallest to largest
 - Read the **chars** in
 - If the linked list is empty, create a head containing the **char**
 - Otherwise, if the **char** is smaller than everything in the linked list, add it at the head
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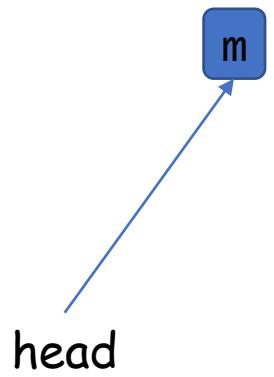
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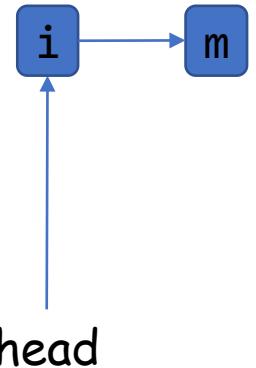
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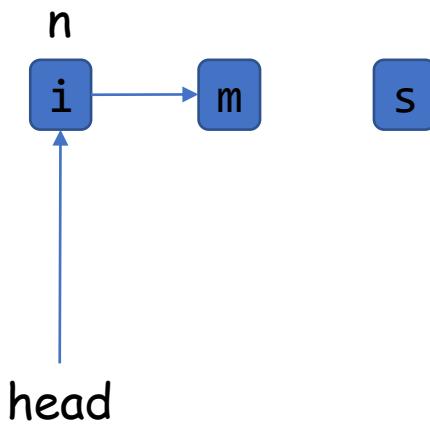


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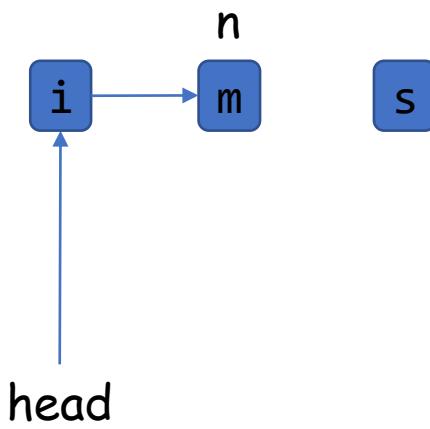
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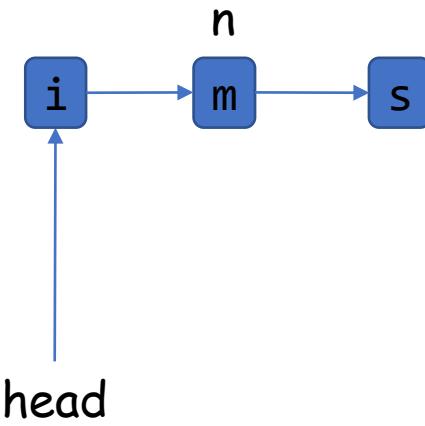
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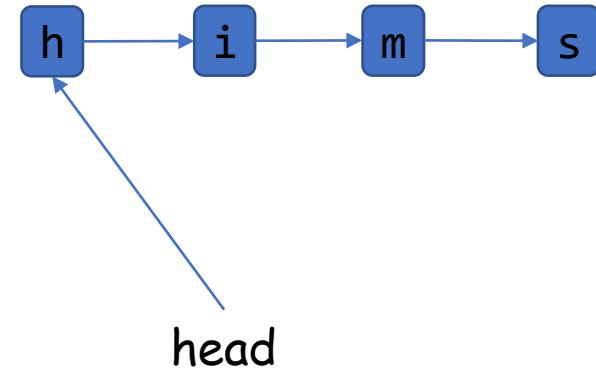
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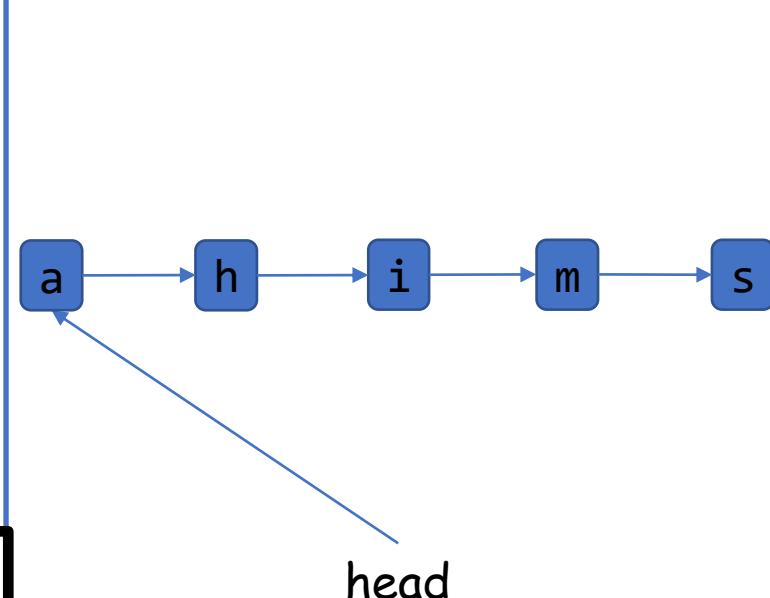
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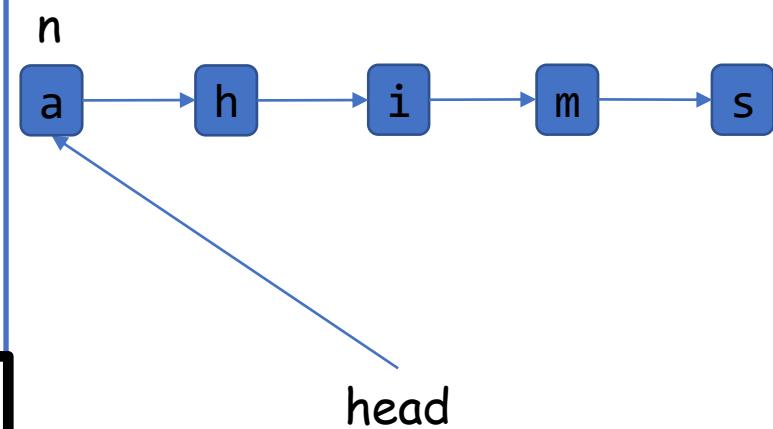


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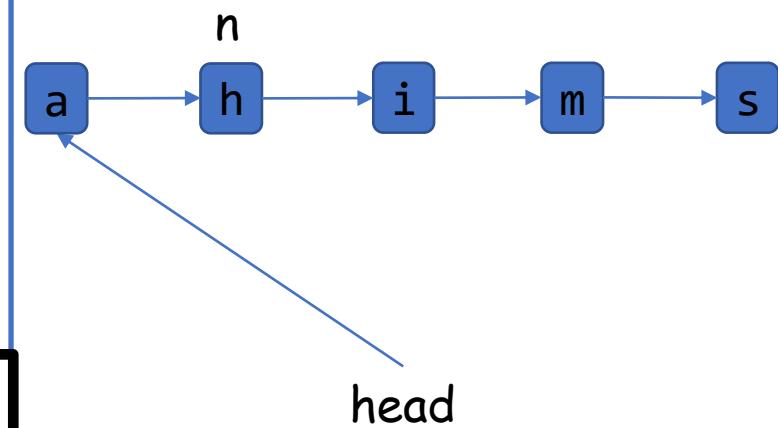
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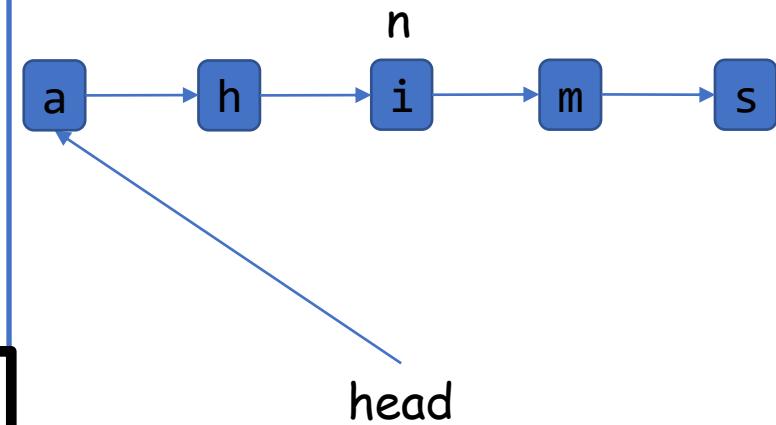
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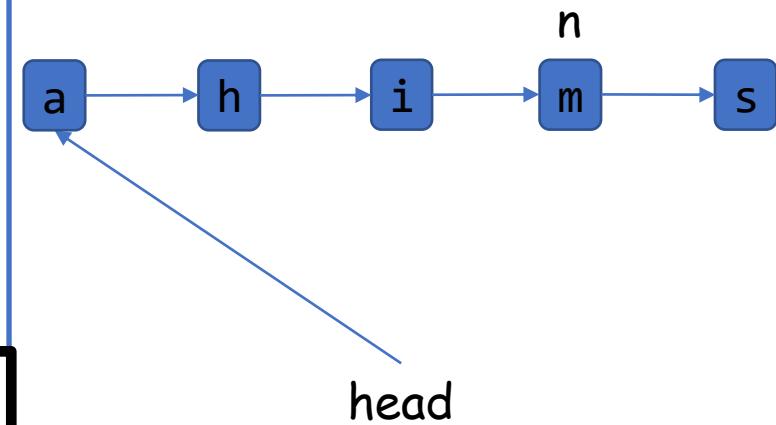
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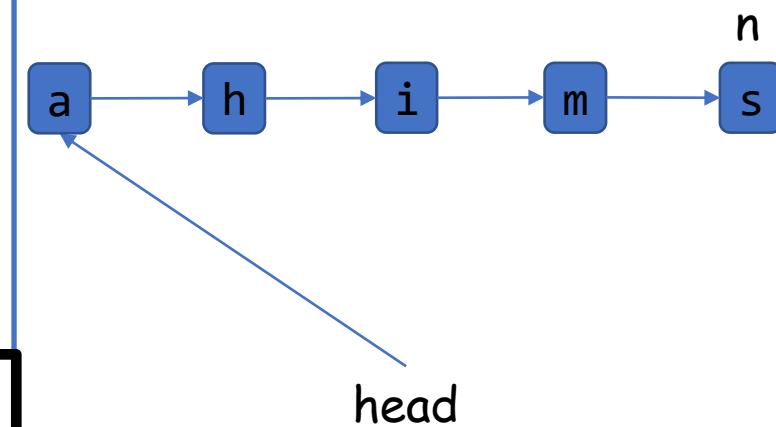
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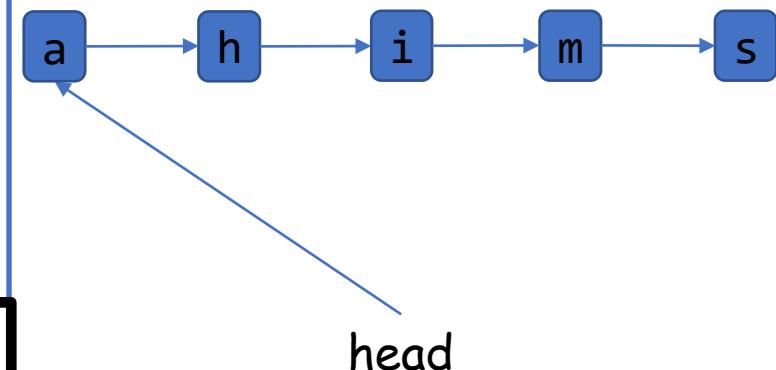
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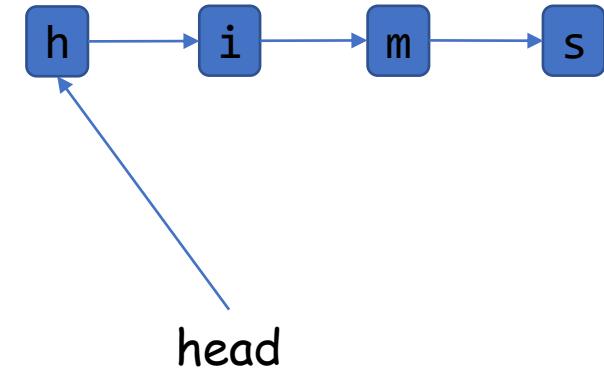
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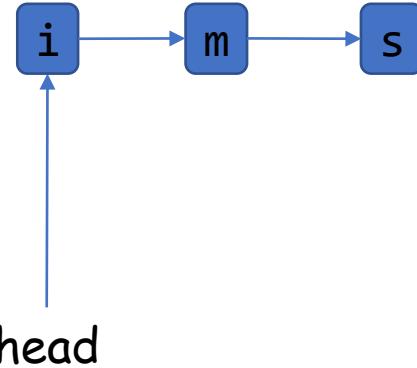
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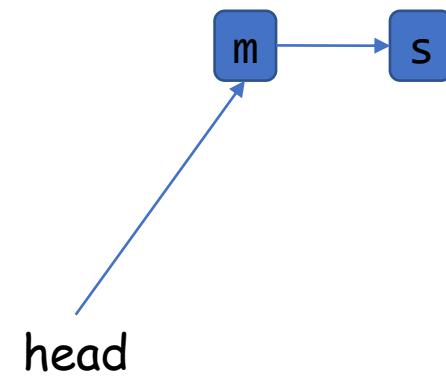
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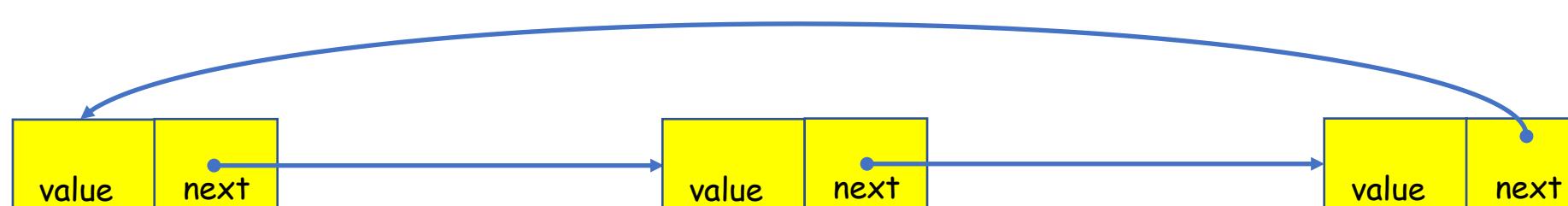
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Linked lists

- Variants
 - Circular lists
 - ✓ No need for a "head" node
 - ✗ Iterating is trickier



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- Variants
 - Doubly linked lists
 - ✓ Can traverse in either direction
 - ✗ More pointers to track for insertions and deletions
 - ✗ The linked list can be inconsistent



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Outline

- Linked lists
- Review questions

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int add_front( Node **head , char c )
{
    Node *n = create_node( c );
    if( !n ) return 1;
    n->next = *head;
    *head = n;
    return 0;
}
```

Review questions

2. How do you modify a linked list to a doubly linked list?

```
typedef struct _Node
{
    struct _Node *next , *prev;
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} Node;
```

Review questions

3. How do you make a copy of a linked list?

We need a “deep copy”. We traverse the list and create new node from the old one. We need to pay attention to how to setup the next pointer for the new list. It should point to the newly created node.

Review questions

4. Why does `add_after` take a `Node*` as input, but `add_front` takes a `Node**`?

Because we need to change who the head is.

Review questions

5. What cases should be handled when implementing `remove_front`?

Check if the list is empty (the head is `NULL`).

Exercise 18

- Website -> Course Materials -> Exercise 18