# **Doubly Linked Lists**

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### Representation

```
public class DoublyLinkedList{
   protected Element head, tail;
   //. . .
   public class Element {
      Object data; Element next, previous;
      Element(Object obj, Element next, Element previous){
         data = obj; this.next = next;
         this.previous = previous;
      }
      public Object getData(){return data;}
      public Element getNext(){return next;}
      public Element getPrevious(){return previous;}
      // . . .
  }
```



# Doubly Linked Lists : Space Analysis

• The space requirements of our representation of the doubly linked lists is as follows:

S(n) = sizeof(DoublyLinkedList) + n sizeof(DoublyLinkedList.Element)

= 2 sizeof(DoublyLinkedList.Element ref) + n [sizeof(Object ref)

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= (2n + 2) sizeof(DoublyLinkedList.Element ref) + n sizeof(Object ref)

Required space	Explanation
sizeof(DoublyLinkedList)	The list reference has two fields:
	<i>head</i> (type: <i>Element</i> ) and <i>tail</i> (type: <i>Element</i> )
	= 2 sizeof(DoublyLinkedList.Element ref)
n sizeof(DoublyLinkedList. Element)	The list has n elements of type <i>Element</i> . Each element has three fields <i>previous</i> (type <i>Element</i> ), <i>data</i> (type <i>Object</i> ), and <i>next</i> (type <i>Element</i> )

## List Creation and Insertion

 An empty doubly linked list is created as follows: DoublyLinkedList list = new DoublyLinkedList();



- Like singly link list, once Created, elements can be inserted into the list using either the append or prepend methods
   for (int k = 0; k < 10; k++)
   list.append(new Int(k));</li>
- Also if we have reference to a node (an element), we can use insertAfter or InsertBefore of the Element class..

### Insertion at the end (append)





### Insertion at the beginning (prepend)

```
public void prepend(Object obj){
   Element element = new Element(obj, head, null);
   if(head == null)
        head = tail = element;
   else {
        head.previous = element;
        head = element;
   }
}
```





#### Insertion before an element

 Inserting before the current node (this) that is neither the first nor the last node:

```
Element element = new Element(obj, this, this.previous);
this.previous.next = element;
this.previous = element;
```





## Traversal

For DoublyLinked list, traversal can be done in either direction. Forward, starting from head, or backward starting from tail.



Example: Count the number of nodes in a linked list.

```
public int countNodes(){
    int count = 0;
    Element e = head;
    while(e != null){
        count++;
        e = e.next;
    }
    return count;
}
```

## Traversal

Example: The following computes the sum of the last n nodes:

```
public int sumLastNnodes(int n){
   if(n <= 0)
      throw new IllegalArgumentException("Wrong: " + n);
   if(head == null)
       throw new ListEmptyException();
   int count = 0, sum = 0;
   Element e = tail;
                                                Complexity is O(n)
   while(e != null && count < n){</pre>
      sum += ((Integer)e.data).intValue();
      count++;
      e = e.previous;
   }
   if(count < n)
      throw new IllegalArgumentException("No. of nodes < "+n);
   return sum;
 }
```

## Deletion

• To delete an element, we use either the extract method of DoublyLinkedList or that of the Element inner class.

```
public void extract(Object obj){
    Element element = head;
    while((element != null) && (!element.data.equals(obj)))
       element = element.next;
                                            Complexity is O(n)
    if(element == null)
          throw new IllegalArgumentException("item not found");
    if(element == head) {
          head = element.next;
          if(element.next != null)
               element.next.previous = null;
    }else{
          element.previous.next = element.next;
          if(element.next != null)
               element.next.previous = element.previous;
   if(element == tail)
        tail = element.previous;
}
```

### Exercises

- For the DoublyLinkedList class, Implement each of the following methods and state its complexity.
  - String toString()
  - Element find(Object obj)
  - void ExtractLast()
  - void ExtractFirst()
  - void ExtractLastN(int n)
- For the DoublyLinkedList.Element inner class, implement each of the following methods and state its complexity.
  - void insertBefore()
  - void insertAfter()
  - void extract()
- What are the methods of DoublyLinkedList and its Element inner class are more efficient than those of MyLinkedList class?