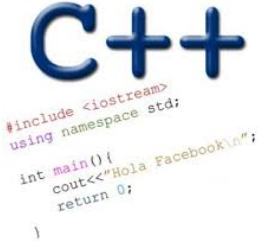
LINKED LISTS (CONTD)
RULE OF THREE
OPERATOR OVERLOADING

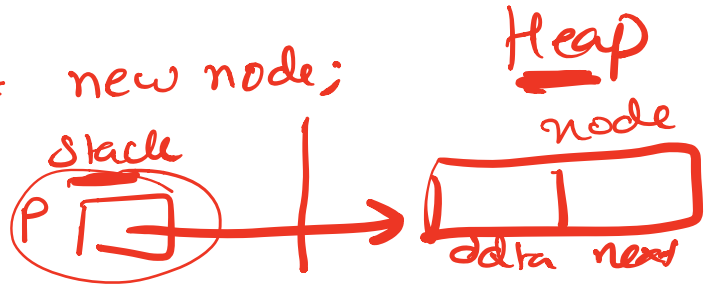
Problem Solving with Computers-II



Memory Errors

- Memory Leak: Program does not free memory allocated on the heap.

```
void foo() {
    node * p = new node;
}
// Memory leak
```



- Segmentation Fault: Code tries to access an invalid memory location

① Dereference a null pointer // Definitely get a seg fault

```
int * p = nullptr;
...
cout << *p; // segfault
```

② Access / modify memory that was deallocated.

```
int * p = new int; // alloc on heap
```


```
delete p; // deallocate
cout << p; // okay
cout << *p; // segfault.
```

Solution

```
delete p;
p = nullptr;
if (p) {   // null check
    cout << *p;
}
```

③ Out of bound array access // potentially seg fault

④ Double free error

```
int* p = new int;
:
delete p;
:
delete p; // double free seg fault
```

RULE OF THREE

If a class overload one (or more) of the following methods, it should overload all three methods:

1. Destructor
2. Copy constructor
3. Copy assignment

The questions we ask are:

1. What is the behavior of these defaults?
2. What is the desired behavior ?
3. How should we over-ride these methods?

```
void test_append_0(){
      LinkedList ll;
      ll.append(10);
       ll.print();
}
```

Assume:

* **Default destructor**
* **Default copy constructor**
* **Default copy assignment**

What is the result of running the above code?

A. Compiler error

B. Memory leak — ll's nodes are not cleared by default destructor

C. Segmentation fault

D. None of the above

Why do we need to write a destructor for LinkedList?

A. To free LinkedList objects
B. To free Nodes in a LinkedList
C. Both A and B
D. None of the above

Behavior of default copy constructor

```
void test_copy_constructor(){
   LinkedList l1; //implicit call to
   l1.append(1);
   l1.append(2);
   LinkedList l2{l1}; //copy constructor
   // calls the copy c'tor
   l1.print();
   l2.print();
}
```

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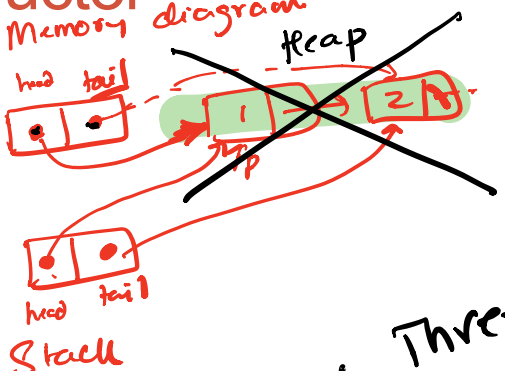

Rule of Three

Assume:

destructor: overloaded

copy constructor: default

What is the output?

A. Compiler error

B. Memory leak

C. Segmentation fault

D. All of the above

E. None of the above

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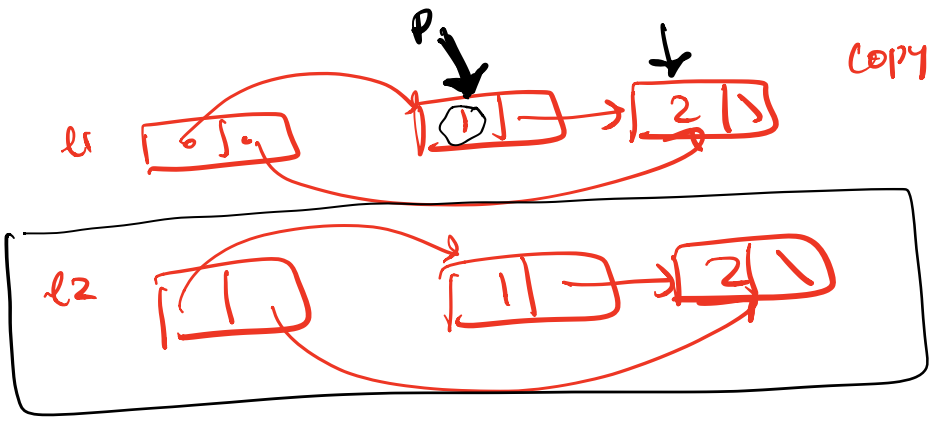
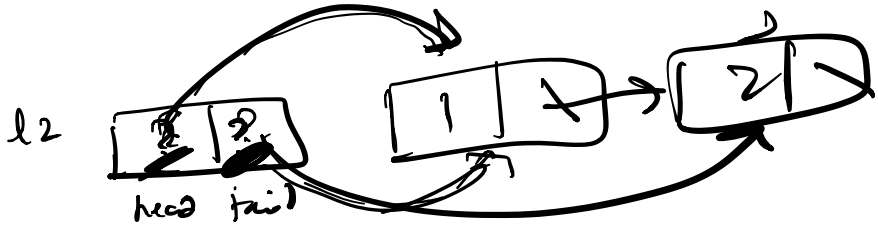
double deletion by destructor



Copy constructor

Copy constructor should do a deep copy (create duplicates of all the nodes)



Draw diagrams to help you understand subgoals when you are implementing these functions

Behavior of default copy assignment

l1 : 1 -> 2- > 5 -> null

```
void default_assignment_1(LinkedList& l1) {
   LinkedList l2;
   l2 = l1;
}
```

Call a function copy assignment default

LinkedList l2 = l1;
LinkedList l2 {l1};
l2(l1);
/// copy constr.

* What is the behavior of the default assignment operator?

Assume:

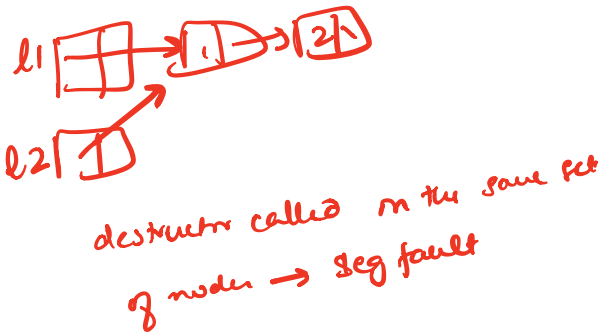
* **Overloaded destructor**
* **Default copy constructor**
* **Default copy assignment**

l2 = l1;

l2.operator=(l1);
name

Behavior of default copy assignment

```
void test_default_assignment_2(){
    LinkedList l1, l2;
    l1.append(1);
    l1.append(2)
    l2 = l1;
    l2.print()
}
```



What is the result of running the above code?

A. Prints 1 , 2 ✓

B. Segmentation fault ✓

C. Memory leak

D. A &B

E. A, B and C

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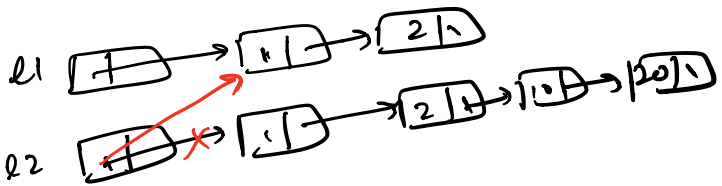
Behavior of default copy assignment

```
void test_default_assignment_3(){
    LinkedList l1;
    l1.append(1);
    l1.append(2)
    LinkedList l2{l1};
    l2.append(10);
    l2.append(20);
    l2 = l1;
    l2.print()
}
```



l1 & l2's destructor is called on the same set of nodes, leads to seg fault

l2's nodes are not cleared, leads to memory leak

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* **Overloaded destructor**
* **Overloaded copy constructor**
* **Default copy assignment**

Overloading Binary Comparison Operators

We would like to be able to compare two objects of the class using the following operators

==

!=

and possibly others

```
void isEqual(const LinkedList & lst1, const LinkedList &lst2){
    if(lst1 == lst2)
          cout<<“Lists are equal”<<endl;
     else
          cout<<“Lists are not equal”<<endl;

}
```

Overloading Binary Arithmetic Operators

We would like to be able to add two points as follows

```
LinkedList l1, l2;

//append nodes to l1 and l2;

LinkedList l3 = l1 + l2 ;
```

Overloading input/output stream

Wouldn’t it be convenient if we could do this:

```
LinkedList list;
cout<<list; //prints all the elements of list
```

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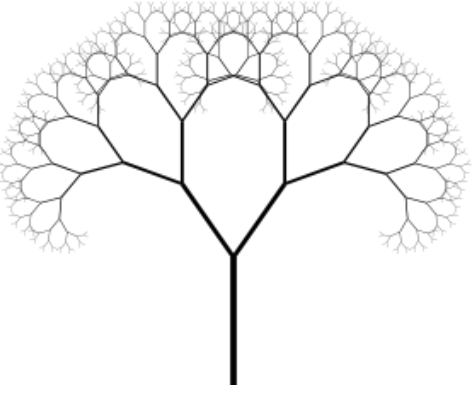
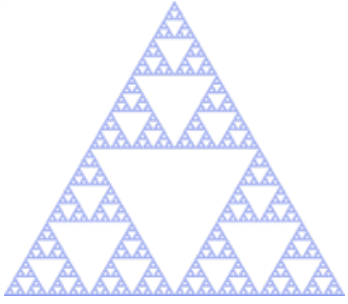
Last class: overloaded == for LinkedList

Recursion





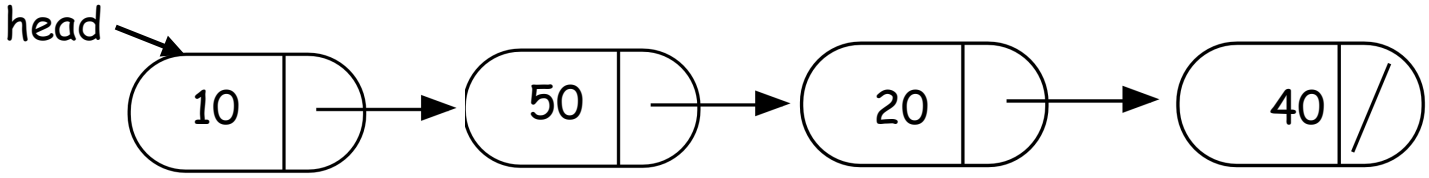
Sierpinski triangle

Zooming into a Koch's snowflake

Describe a linked-list recursively

Which of the following methods of LinkedList CANNOT be implemented using recursion?

A. Find the sum of all the values
B. Print all the values
C. Search for a value
D. Delete all the nodes in a linked list
E. All the above can be implemented using recursion



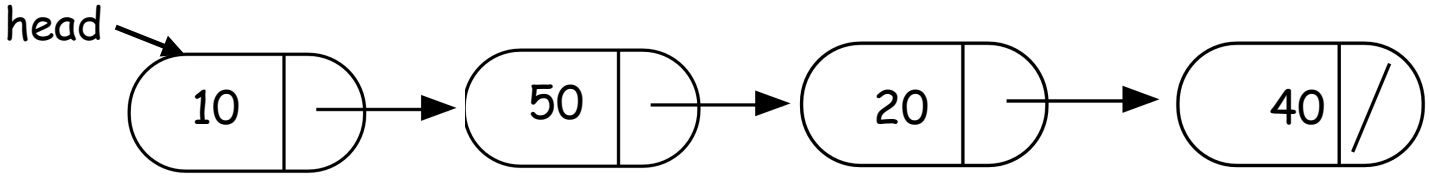

```
int IntList::sum(){

    //Return the sum of all elements in a linked list
}
```

Helper functions

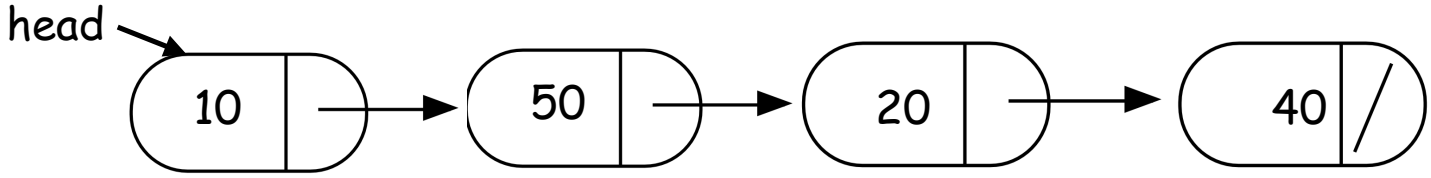
- Sometimes your functions takes an input that is not easy to recurse on
- In that case define a new function with appropriate parameters: This is your helper function
- Call the helper function to perform the recursion
- Usually the helper function is private

For example

```
Int IntList::sum(){

   return sum(head);
    //helper function that performs the recursion.

}
```




```
int IntList::sum(Node* p){

}
```



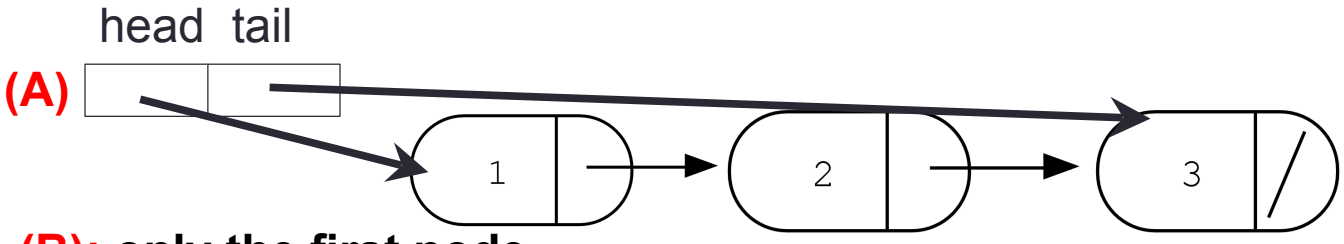

```
bool IntList::clear(Node* p){









  }
```

Concept Question

```
LinkedList::~LinkedList(){
   delete head;
}
```

```
class Node {
    public:
       int info;
       Node *next;
};
```

Which of the following objects are deleted when the destructor of Linked-list is called?



(B): only the first node

(C): A and B

(D): All the nodes of the linked list

(E): A and D

Concept question

```
LinkedList::~LinkedList(){
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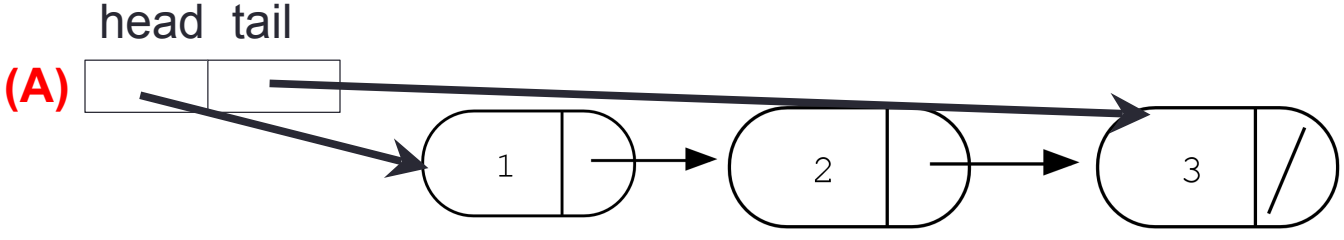

(B): All the nodes in the linked-list

(C): A and B

(D): Program crashes with a segmentation fault

(E): None of the above

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   delete head;
}
```
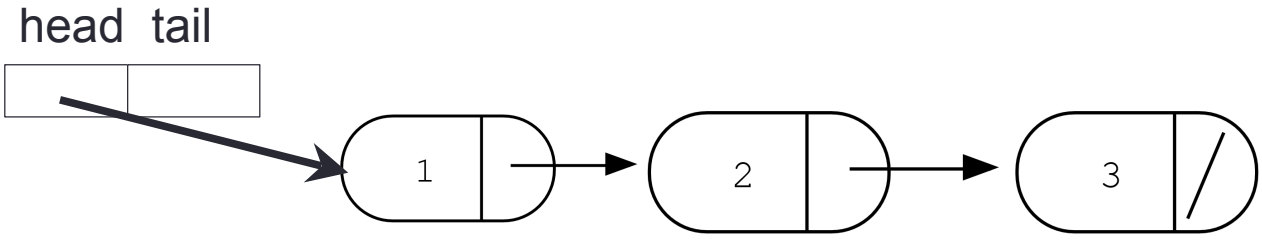

```
Node::~Node(){
   delete next;
}
```



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- Binary Search Trees

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- Recursion + PA01