

5. Doubly Linked List

5.1 Node Structure

```
struct DNode {
    int data;
    struct DNode *prev; // Pointer to previous node
    struct DNode *next; // Pointer to next node
};
```

Visual Representation:

```
NULL ← [prev|10|next] ⇌ [prev|20|next] ⇌ [prev|30|next] → NULL
      ↑
      HEAD
```

5.2 Advantages of Doubly Linked List

1. **Bidirectional Traversal:** Can move forward and backward
2. **Easy Deletion:** Don't need previous node reference
3. **Easier Insertion:** Can insert before a node easily

Disadvantages:

1. **More Memory:** Extra pointer per node
2. **Complex Operations:** Must update two pointers

5.3 Basic Operations

5.3.1 Insert at Beginning

```
void insertAtBeginning(struct DNode **head, int value) {
    // Create new node
    struct DNode *newNode = (struct DNode*)malloc(sizeof(struct DNode));
    if (newNode == NULL) {
        printf("Memory allocation failed!\n");
        return;
    }
```

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}

newNode->data = value;
newNode->prev = NULL;
newNode->next = *head;

// Update head's prev if list not empty
if (*head != NULL) {
    (*head)->prev = newNode;
}

*head = newNode;
}

```

Visual Steps:

Initial: head → [NULL|10|●] ⇌ [●|20|NULL]

Step 1: Create newNode [NULL|5|NULL]

Step 2: Connect newNode to head

newNode: [NULL|5|●] → [NULL|10|●]

Step 3: Update head's prev

[NULL|5|●] ⇌ [●|10|●]

Step 4: Update head

head → [NULL|5|●] ⇌ [●|10|●] ⇌ [●|20|NULL]

5.3.2 Insert at End

```

void insertAtEnd(struct DNode **head, int value) {
    struct DNode *newNode = (struct DNode*)malloc(sizeof(struct DNode));
    if (newNode == NULL) {
        printf("Memory allocation failed!\n");
        return;
    }

    newNode->data = value;
    newNode->next = NULL;
}

```

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// If list is empty
if (*head == NULL) {
    newNode->prev = NULL;
    *head = newNode;
    return;
}

// Traverse to last node
struct DNode *temp = *head;
while (temp->next != NULL) {
    temp = temp->next;
}

// Insert at end
temp->next = newNode;
newNode->prev = temp;
}

```

5.3.3 Delete Node

```

void deleteNode(struct DNode **head, struct DNode *nodeToDelete) {
    // Check if list or node is NULL
    if (*head == NULL || nodeToDelete == NULL) {
        return;
    }

    // If node is head
    if (*head == nodeToDelete) {
        *head = nodeToDelete->next;
    }

    // Update next's prev pointer
    if (nodeToDelete->next != NULL) {
        nodeToDelete->next->prev = nodeToDelete->prev;
    }

    // Update prev's next pointer
    if (nodeToDelete->prev != NULL) {
        nodeToDelete->prev->next = nodeToDelete->next;
    }
}

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    }

    free(nodeToDelete);
}
```

5.3.4 Reverse Traversal

```
void displayReverse(struct DNode *head) {
    if (head == NULL) {
        printf("List is empty!\n");
        return;
    }

    // Go to last node
    struct DNode *temp = head;
    while (temp->next != NULL) {
        temp = temp->next;
    }

    // Traverse backward
    printf("List (reverse): ");
    while (temp != NULL) {
        printf("%d", temp->data);
        if (temp->prev != NULL) {
            printf(" ← ");
        }
        temp = temp->prev;
    }
    printf("\n");
}
```

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