

Innovative Pedagogical Activities

Course: Data Structures

Course Code: BTCOC303

Pedagogy refers to a student centered **teaching** and learning (SCL) approach where educators are reflective in their theory, practice and policy implementation in **teaching/learning**, resulting to positive impacts in the learners.

Having a well-thought-out **pedagogy** can improve the quality of your **teaching** and the way students learn, helping them gain a deeper grasp of fundamental material. Being mindful of the way we **teach** can help us better understand how to help students achieve deeper **learning**.

Keeping in mind the importance of pedagogical approach we designed a pedagogy activity for the students. Pedagogy activity was posted on whats app group & On Gnomio Moodle Site and sufficient time was given to the students to solve the activity.

Following are the day wise details of pedagogy activities conducted during the refresher program:

Pedagogy Activities Details:

Sr. No	Name of the Activity	Unit	WhatsApp/ Online/Gnomio	No of Students Successfully Completed
1.	Millionaire Game	1	Gnomio	62
2.	Snake & Ladder Game	4	Gnomio	70
5.	Project Based Learning	All units	Gnomio	62

Innovative Tools: Gnomio Moodle as a LMS Tools, Quizziz.com, Google Form, Jam board, Epic Pen, animated Videos, PPT's, Google Meet

Activity No: 01

Name of the Activity: Millionaire Game on Unit-I

Millionaire Game — This is Kaun Bangega Crorepati (KBC) Game on Unit-I of Data Structures Course.

There are 15 attempts. There is important instruction that in any attempt if you fail to give the right answer then you will be eliminated from the game and then you have to restart from the beginning.

Screenshot of Kaun Bangega Crorepati (KBC) Game

The screenshot shows a Moodle game attempt page. The question asks for the time complexity of a function. The code is as follows:

```
int fun(int n)
{
    int count=0;
    for (int i=n;i>0;i/=2)
    for(int j=0j<ij++)
    count+=1;
```

The prize ladder on the right is:

15	150000
14	80000
13	40000
12	20000
11	10000
10	5000
9	4000
8	2000
7	1500
6	1000
5	500
4	400

The user has selected 400 as the answer.

The screenshot shows the same Moodle game attempt page. The code is the same as in the first screenshot. The prize ladder on the right is:

7	1500
6	1000
5	500
4	400
3 *	300
2 *	200
1 *	100

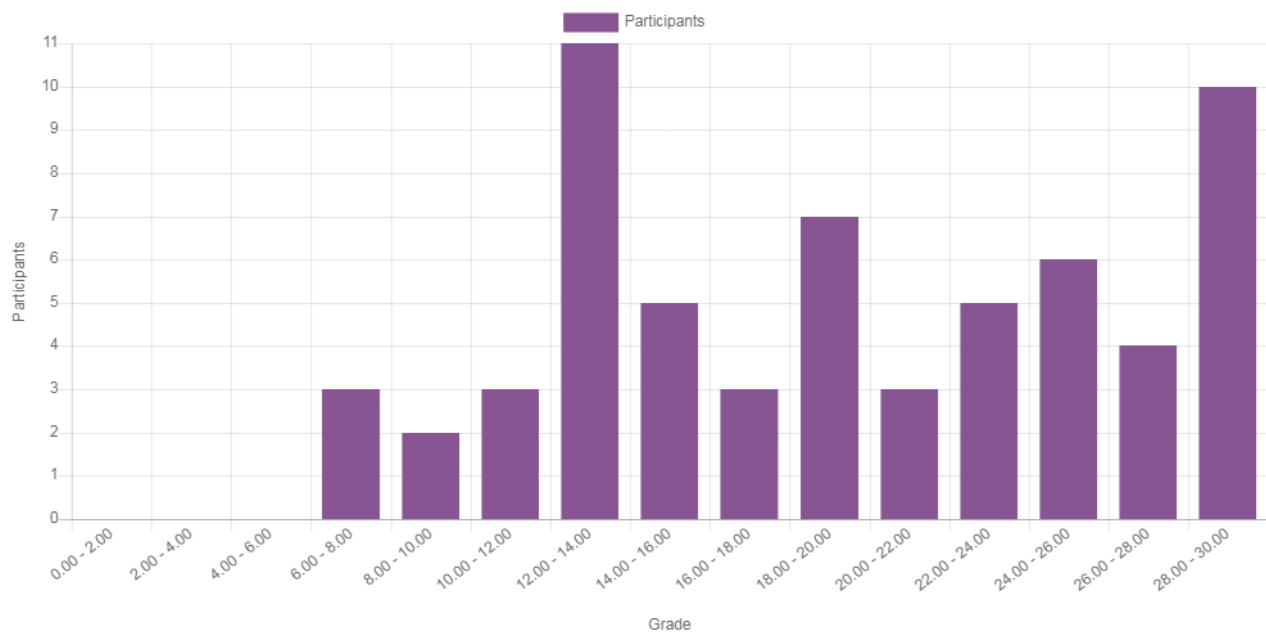
The user has selected 400 as the answer. Below the code, there are multiple choice options:

- A $O(n^2)$
- B $O(n \log n)$
- C $O(n \log n \log n)$
- D None of the above
- E $O(n)$

Students Responses:

Grade Table : 62 Responses from students

Course name	Data Structures
Number of complete graded first attempts	62
Total number of complete graded attempts	62
Average grade of first attempts	63.51%
Average grade of all attempts	63.51%
Average grade of last attempts	63.51%



Grade Chart of Students Responses- KBC Millionaire Game

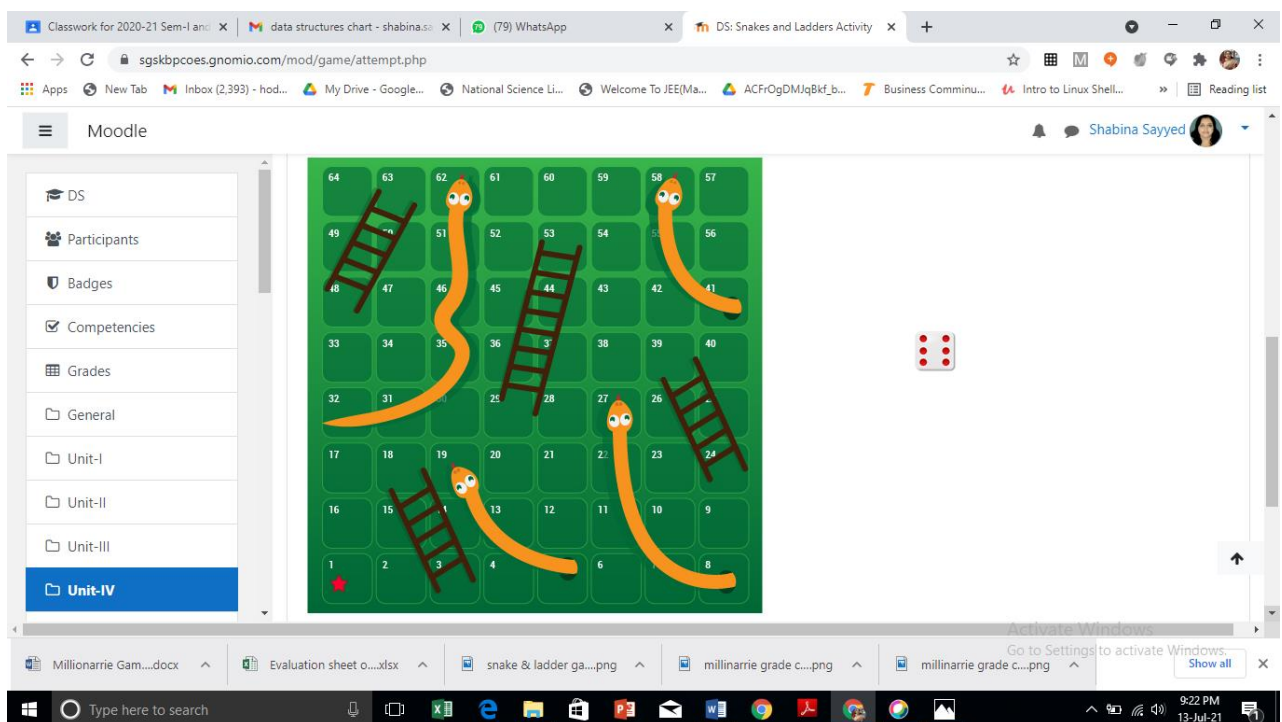
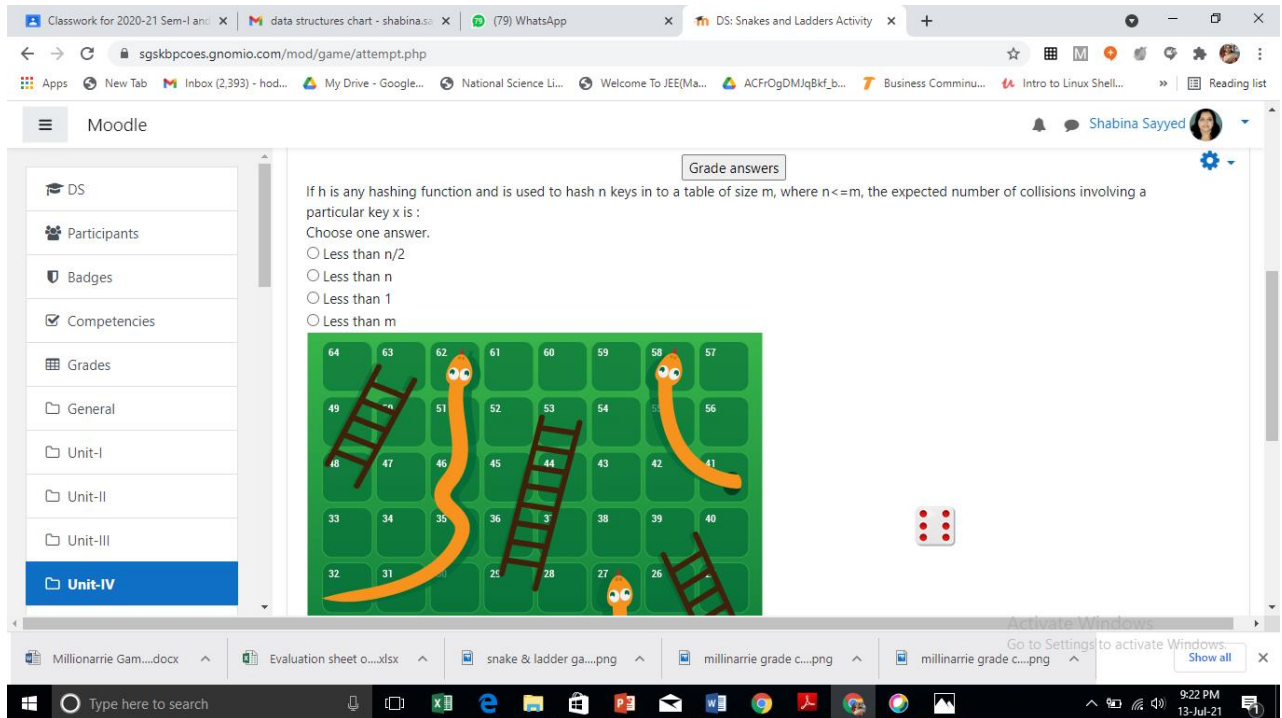
Activity No: 02

Name of the Activity: Snake & Ladder Game on Unit-IV

Snake & Ladder Game — This is Snake & Ladder Game on Unit-IV of Data Structures Course.

There are only one attempt. There is important instruction that in any attempt if you fail to give the right answer then you will be eliminated from the game and then you have to restart from the beginning.

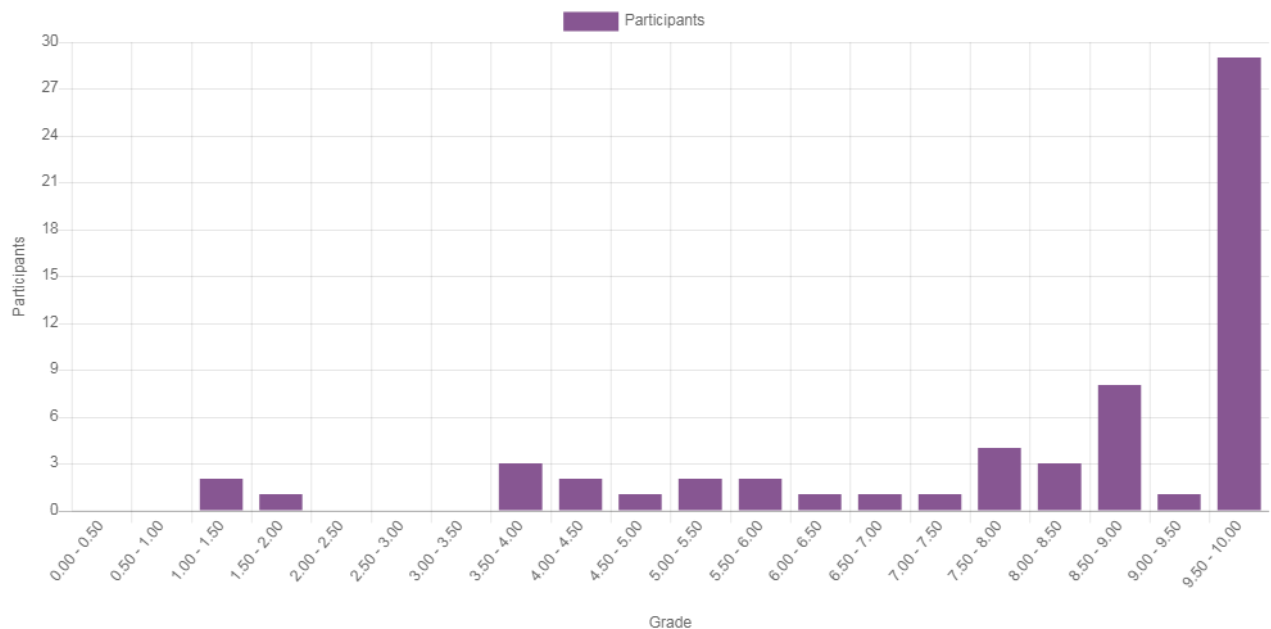
Screenshot of Snake & Ladder Game



Students Responses:

Grade Table : 70 Responses from students

Quiz name	Quiz on Unit-II on 20th Aug
Course name	Data Structures
Number of complete graded first attempts	61
Total number of complete graded attempts	70
Average grade of first attempts	74.56%
Average grade of all attempts	77.70%
Average grade of last attempts	81.00%
Average grade of highest graded attempts	81.00%



Grade Chart of Students Responses –Snake & Ladder Game

Activity No: 03

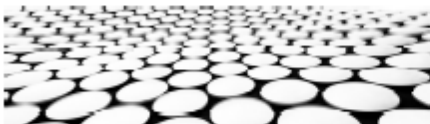
Name of the Activity: Project Based Learning

Project-based learning is a student-centered pedagogy that involves a dynamic classroom approach in which it is believed that students acquire a deeper knowledge through active exploration of real-world challenges and problems.

Sample Responses of Project Based Learning Activity- PowerPoint Presentation

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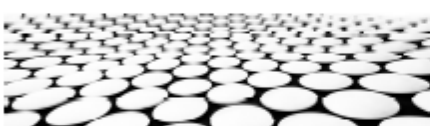
PROJECT BASED LEARNING ACTIVITY
DATA STRUCTURE
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WHAT EXACTLY IS TRIPLET REPRESENTATION OF SPARSE MATRIX??

- Representing a sparse matrix by a 2D array leads to wastage of lots of memory as zeroes in the matrix are of no use in most of the cases. The instead of storing zeroes with non-zero elements, we only store non-zero elements. This process storing non-zero elements with indices (Row, Column, value).
- 2D array is used to represent a sparse matrix in which there are three rows named as:
 - Row index of row, where non-zero element is located
 - Column index of column, where non-zero element is located
 - Value value of the non-zero element located at index : (row,column)

TRIPLET REPRESENTATION OF SPARSE OF MATRIX



Row	Column	Value
5	6	6
0	4	9
1	1	8
N	N	4
N	N	2
N	N	5
4	2	0

TRIPLET REPRESENTATION OF SPARSE MATRIX

In above example matrix, there are only five non-zero elements (those are 6, 9, 8, 4, 2) and matrix size is 6x6. We represent this matrix as shown in the above image. Here the first row in the right side table is (Row, column, value), 6, 4, 9 which indicates that in a sparse matrix with 6 rows, 6 columns, 6 non-zero values. The second row is (Row, column, value) which indicates the non-zero value is located at the 4th column in the 1st row. In the same way, the remaining non-zero values also follow a similar pattern.

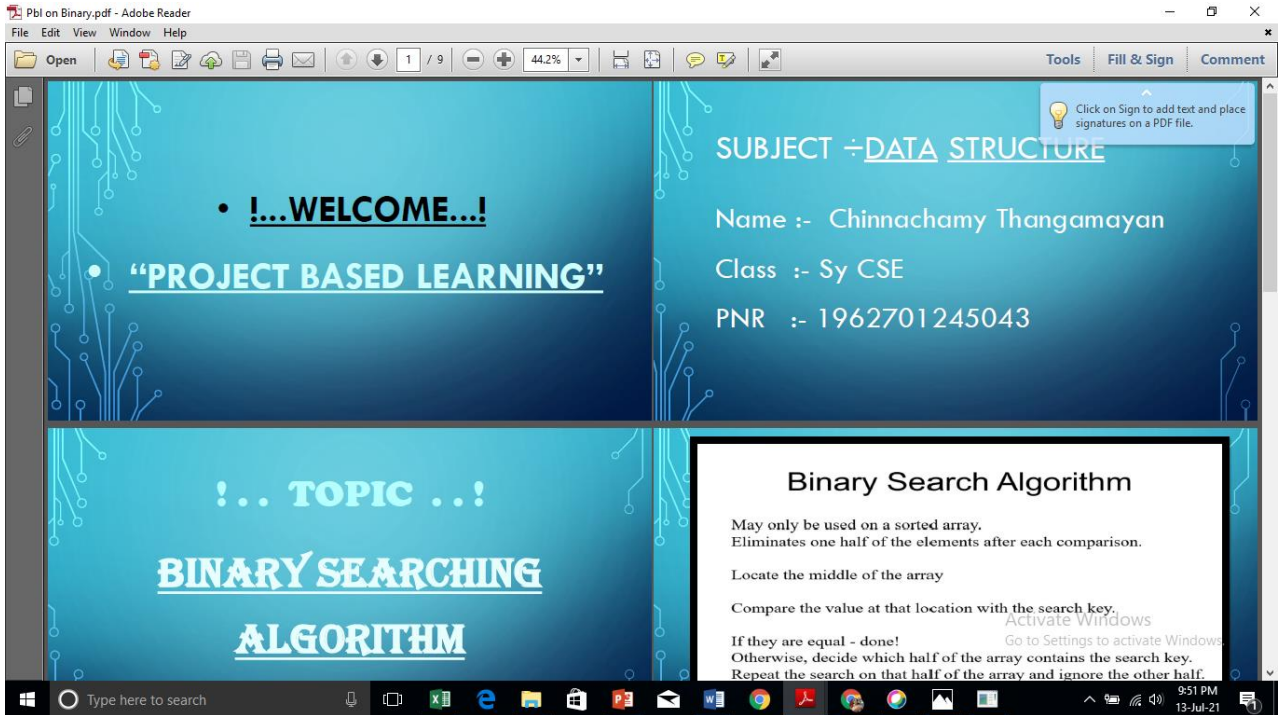
WHY TO USE SPARSE MATRIX INSTEAD OF SIMPLE MATRIX??

- Storage: Sparse matrix has non-zero elements that store and thus lesser memory can be used to store only those elements.
- Computing time: Computing time can be saved by logically designing a data structure by storing only non-zero elements.

HERE'S THE CODE FOR THE SAME

```
int main()
{
    int n,m;
    //Enter number of rows and columns
    cin >> n >> m;
    //Enter matrix
    int a[n][m];
    for(int i=0; i<n; i++)
    {
        for(int j=0; j<m; j++)
        {
            cin >> a[i][j];
        }
    }
    //Printing matrix
    for(int i=0; i<n; i++)
    {
        for(int j=0; j<m; j++)
        {
            cout << a[i][j] << " ";
        }
        cout << endl;
    }
    return 0;
}
```

Sample Response of Project Based Learning Activity- PowerPoint Presentation



Sample Responses of Project Based Learning Activity- Poster Presentation

ALGORITHM

ALGORITHM IS A STEP-BY-STEP PROCEDURE WHICH DEFINES A SET OF INSTRUCTIONS TO BE EXECUTED IN A CERTAIN ORDER TO GET THE DESIRED OUTPUT

COMPLEXITY OF ALGORITHMS DEPENDS ON
SPACE FACTOR
TIME FACTOR

Decision
Ask a question with either a "Yes/No" or "True/False" response
e.g.

Direction of flow
Arrows are used to show the direction of flow within the algorithm.

Start / End
Begin and finish your algorithm with this symbol;

Task
Do something!
e.g.

Here is an example flowchart which uses all of these symbols!

```

graph TD
    Start([Start]) --> Output1[/OUTPUT: "What is the Capital of Wales?"/]
    Output1 --> Input[/INPUT: User inputs answer/]
    Input --> Store[Store answer in a variable called answer]
    Store --> Decision{answer = Cardiff?}
    Decision -- True --> Output2[/OUTPUT: "Correct!"/]
    Decision -- False --> Output3[/OUTPUT: "Wrong!"/]
    Output2 --> End([End])
    Output3 --> End
    
```

Input / Output
Used when you either want to input information into your algorithm or output information from your algorithm.
e.g.

Variables
Variables are used to store information and can be called up later in an algorithm.
They can also be changed. E.g.

Characteristics
of
algorithms

- Unambiguous
- Input
- Output
- Finiteness
- Feasibility
- Independent
- Definiteness
- Effectiveness

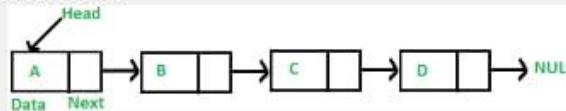
For more ideas, visit @RobotResources

Linked List

★ Linked List =

A linked list is a linear data structure, in which the elements are not stored at contiguous memory locations. The elements in a linked list are linked using pointers.

- example:



•Types of linked list:

- 1) Singly Linked List: HEAD → data next → data next → data next → NULL
- 2) Doubly linked list: HEAD NULL ← prev data next ← prev data next ← prev data next → NULL
- 3) Circular linked list: HEAD → data next → data next → data next → (back to HEAD)

•Code for linked list:

```

#include<stdio.h>
#include<stdlib.h>
struct node {
    int data;
    struct node *next;
}*head;
void createList(int n);
int main()
{ int n;
  printf("Enter the total number of nodes:");
  scanf("%d", &n);
  createList(n);
  printf("\nData in the list \n");
  return 0;
}
void createList(int n)
{
  struct node *newNode, *temp;
  int data, i;
  head =
  (struct node *) malloc(sizeof(struct node));
  if(head == NULL)
  {
    printf("Unable to allocate memory.");
  }
  exit(0);
}
printf("Enter the data of node 1: ");
scanf("%d", &data);
head->data = data;
head->next = NULL;
temp = head;
for(i=2; i<=n; i++)
{
  newNode =
  (struct node *) malloc(sizeof(struct node));
  if(newNode == NULL)
  {
    printf("Unable to allocate memory.");
    break;
  }
  printf("Enter the data of node %d: ", i);
  scanf("%d", &data);
  newNode->data = data;
  newNode->next = NULL;
  temp->next = newNode;
  temp = temp->next;
}
  
```

• Application: -

- To implement the other data structures such as stacks, queues, trees and graph
- To maintain a directory of names.
- To perform arithmetic operation on long integers.
- To manipulate polynomial.
- To represent sparse matrices.

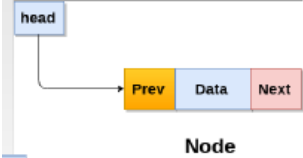


Sample Responses of Project Based Learning Activity- Program Based Poster Presentation along with executable code.

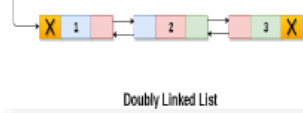
Doubly Linked List

WHAT IS DLL?

Doubly linked list is a complex type of linked list in which a node contains a pointer to the previous as well as the next node in the sequence. Therefore, in a doubly linked list, a node consists of three parts: node data, pointer to the next node in sequence (next pointer), pointer to the previous node (previous pointer).



Node



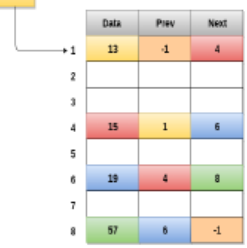
Doubly Linked List

```

1.struct node
2.{
3.  struct node *prev;
4.  int data;
5.  struct node *next;
6.}
        
```

Memory Representation

Generally, doubly linked list consumes more space for every node and therefore, causes more expansive basic operations such as insertion and deletion. However, we can easily manipulate the elements of the list since the list maintains pointers in both the directions (forward and backward).



Memory Representation of a Doubly linked list

```

1.struct node
2.{
3.  struct node *prev;
4.  int data;
5.  struct node *next;
6.};
7.struct node *head;
        
```

Operations

- 1.Insertion at beginning
- 2.Insertion at end
- 3.Insertion after specified node
- 4.Deletion at beginning
- 5.Deletion at the end
- 6.Deletion of the node having given data
- 7.Searching
- 8.Traversing

An example problem

Design a data structure that supports following operations efficiently:

- 1.getMin : Gets minimum
- 2.extractMin : Removes minimum
- 3.getMax : Gets maximum
- 4.extractMax : Removes maximum
- 5.insert : Inserts an item. It may be assumed that the inserted item is always greater than maximum so far. e.g, a valid insertion order is 10, 12, 13, 20.

Doubly linked list is the best solution here. We maintain head and tail pointers, since inserted item is always greatest, we insert at tail. Deleting an item from head or tail can be done in O(1) time. So all operations take O(1) time.

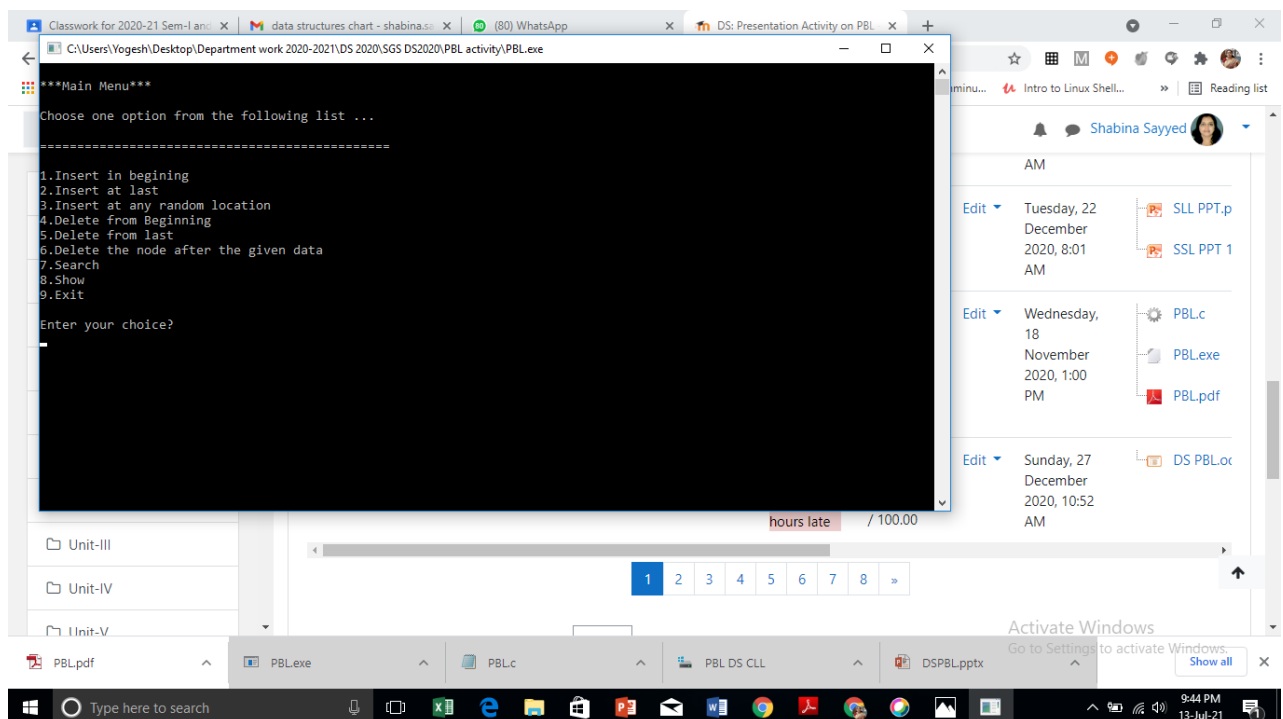
Applications of linked list in real world

1. Image viewer – Previous and next images are linked, hence can be accessed by next and previous button.
2. Previous and next page in web browser – We can access previous and next URL searched in web browser by pressing back and next button since, they are linked as linked list.
3. Music Player – Songs in music player are linked to previous and next song. you can play songs either from starting or ending of the list.

Sample Output

```

***Main Menu***
Choose one option from the following list ...
-----
1.Insert in begining
2.Insert at last
3.Insert at any random location
4.Delete from Beginning
5.Delete from last
6.Delete the node after the given data
7.Search
8.Show
9.Exit
Enter your choice?
        
```



The screenshot shows a Windows desktop environment. In the foreground, a terminal window displays a menu with the following options:

```

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8.Show
9.Exit
Enter your choice?
        
```

The background shows a Windows taskbar with several open applications: PBL.pdf, PBL.exe, PBLc, PBL DS CLL, and DSPBL.pptx. A calendar widget is visible on the right side of the desktop, showing dates from Tuesday, December 22 to Sunday, December 27, 2020. The system tray at the bottom right shows the time as 9:44 PM on 13-Jul-21.

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