

Linked-Based Implementation



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Recap

- Bag ADT : design
- ArrayBag: implementation (first version)
- Pointers
 - Variable that holds address of same type
 - Must be nullptr if not pointing to something
 - Can change what it points to
 - Can access values of what it points to
- Dynamic memory allocation
 - Can dynamically allocate memory on Heap through pointers
 - Use keyword new to allocate
 - Use keyword delete to deallocate and MUST set pointer to some other value
 - Beware of memory leaks
 - Beware of dangling pointers

Let's try a different
implementation for Bag

Link-Based Implementation



The Header File

```
#ifndef LINKED_BAG_H_
#define LINKED_BAG_H_

template<class T>
class LinkedBag
{

public:
    LinkedBag();
    int getCurrentSize() const;
    bool isEmpty() const;
    bool add(const T& new_entry);
    bool remove(const T& an_entry);
    void clear();
    bool contains(const T& an_entry) const;
    int getFrequencyOf(const T& an_entry) const;
    std::vector<T> toVector() const;

private:
};

//end LinkedBag

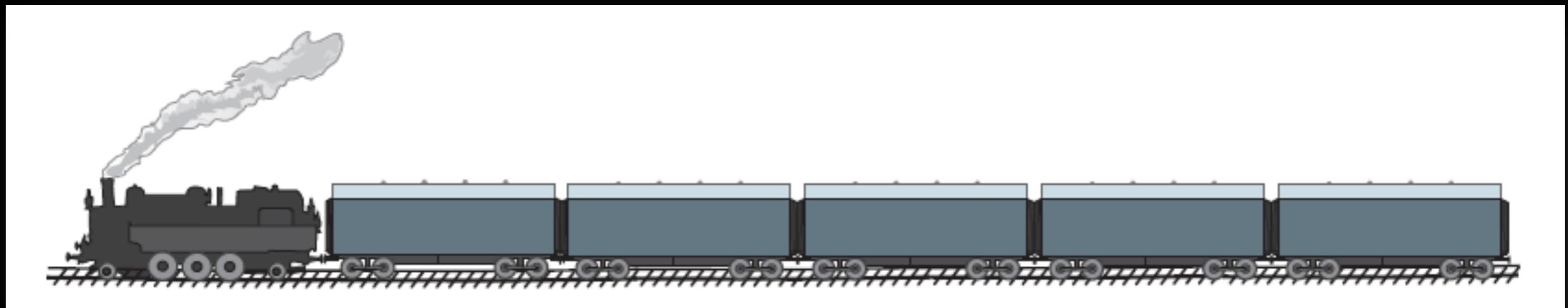
#include "LinkedBag.cpp"
#endif
```

Same interface, different implementation

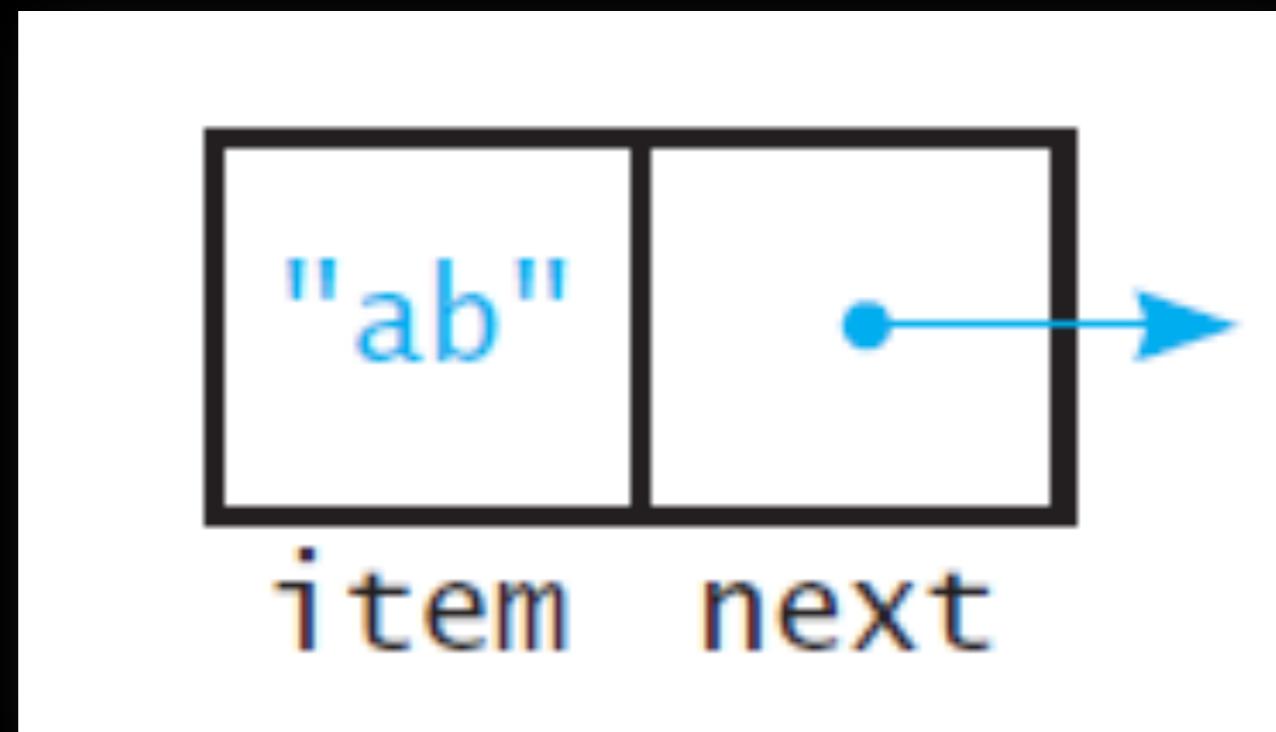
Data Organization

Place data within a **Node** object

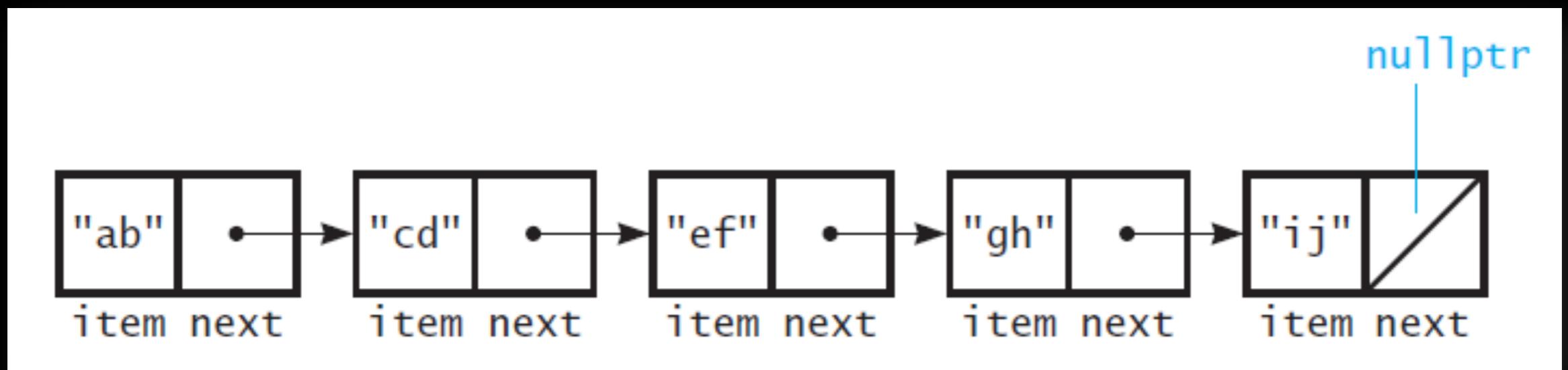
Link nodes into a **chain**



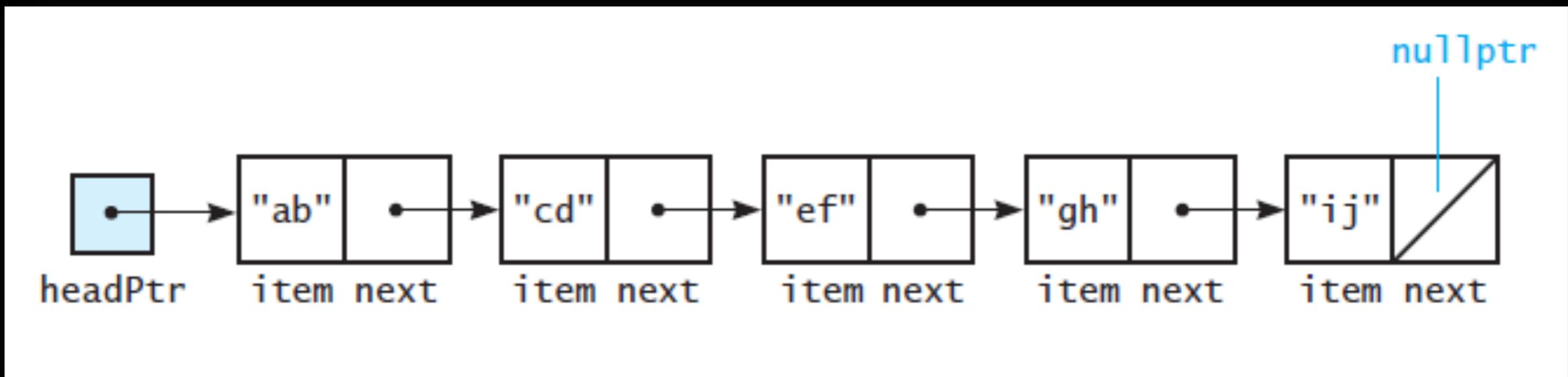
Node



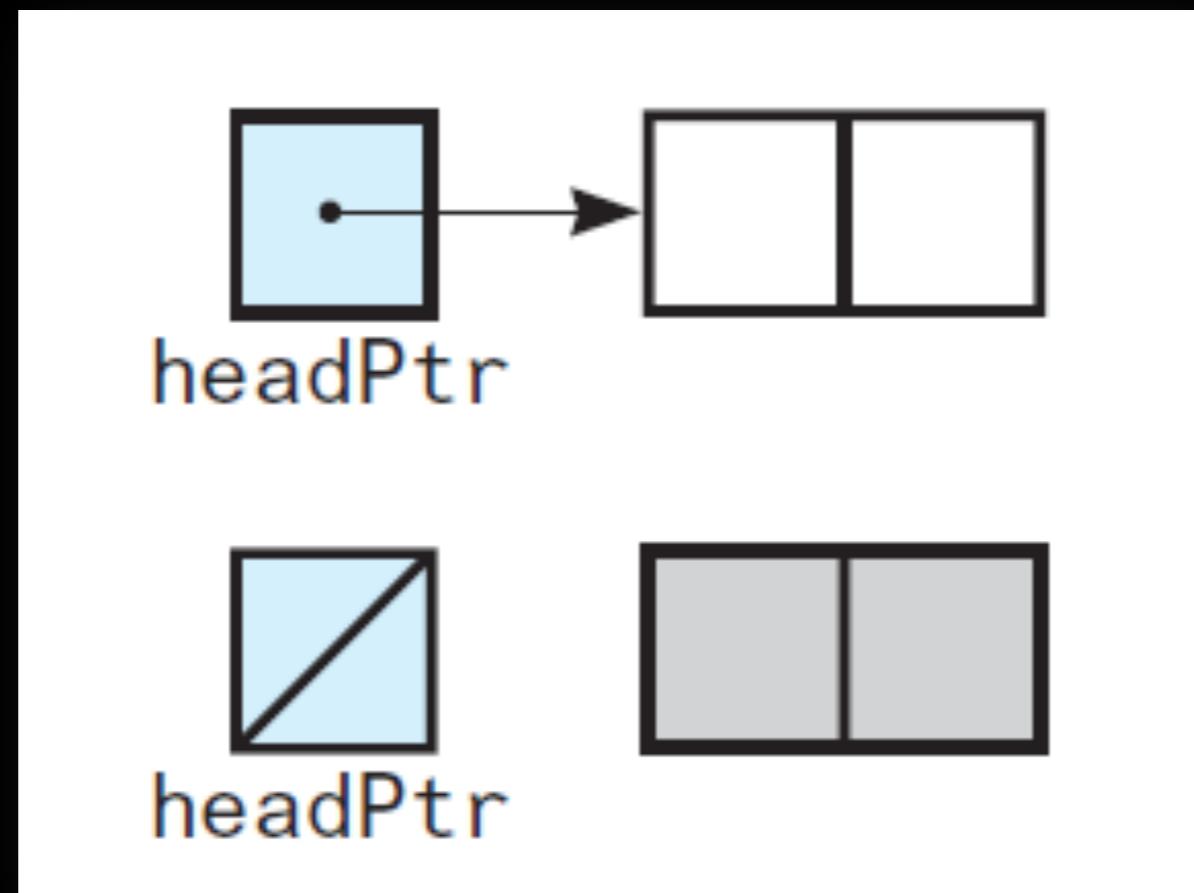
Chain



Entering the Chain



The Empty Chain



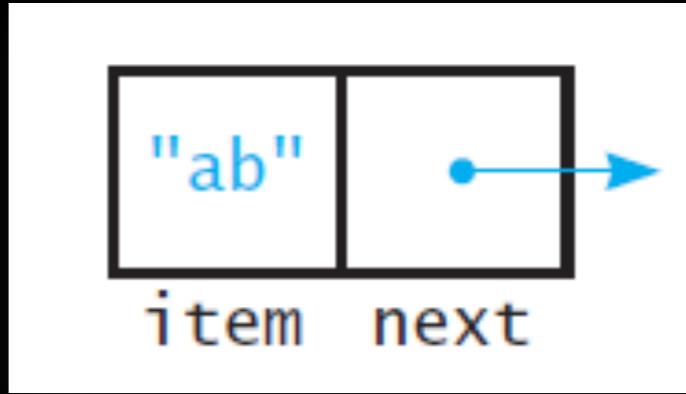
The Class Node

```
#ifndef NODE_H_
#define NODE_H_

template<class T>
class Node
{
public:
    Node();
    Node(const T& an_item);
    Node(const T& an_item, Node<T>* next_node_ptr);
    void setItem(const T& an_item);
    void setNext(Node<T>* next_node_ptr);
    T getItem() const;
    Node<T>* getNext() const;

private:
    T item_;           // A data item
    Node<T>* next_;  // Pointer to next node
}; // end Node

#include "Node.cpp"
#endif // NODE_H_
```

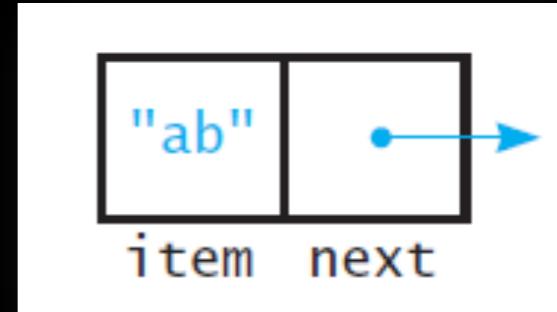


Node Implementation

```
#include "Node.hpp"
```

The Constructors

```
template<class T>
Node<T>::Node() : next_{nullptr}
{
} // end default constructor
```



```
template<class T>
Node<T>::Node(const T& an_item) : item_{an_item}, next_{nullptr}
{
```

```
} // end constructor
```

```
template<class T>
Node<T>::Node(const T& an_item, Node<T>* next_node_ptr) :
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```

```
{
```

```
} // end constructor
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Node Implementation

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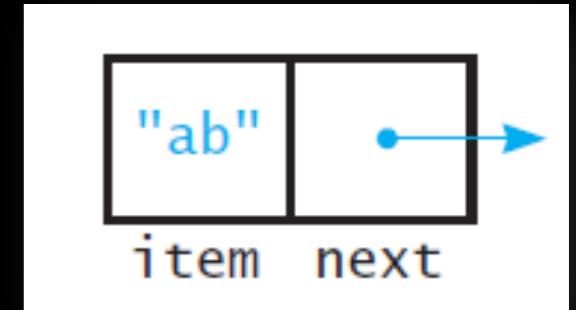
```
template<class T>
void Node<T>::setItem(const T& an_item)
{
    item_{an_item};

} // end setItem
```

```
template<class T>
void Node<T>::setNext(Node<T>* next_node_ptr)
{
    next_{next_node_ptr};

} // end setNext
```

The “*setData*” members



Node Implementation

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#include "Node.hpp"
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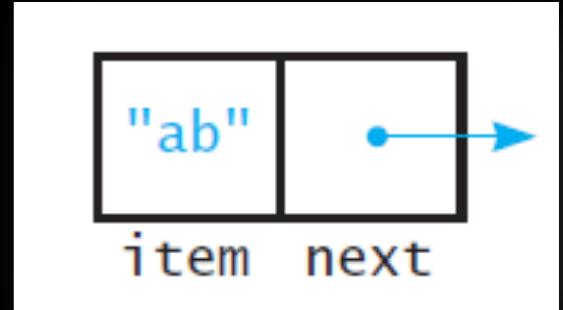
```
template<class T>
T Node<T>::getItem() const
{
    return item_;
}

} // end getItem
```

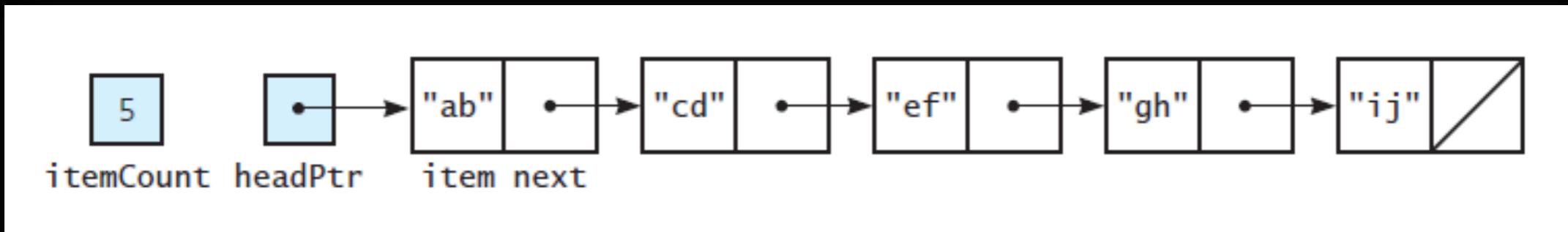
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{
    return next_;
}

} // end getNext
```

The “*getData*” members



A Linked Bag ADT



```
+getCurrentSize(): integer  
+isEmpty(): boolean  
+add(newEntry: ItemType): boolean  
+remove(anEntry: ItemType): boolean  
+clear(): void  
+getFrequencyOf(anEntry: ItemType): integer  
+contains(anEntry: ItemType): boolean  
+toVector(): vector
```

The Class LinkedBag

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template<class T>
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    bool contains(const T& an_entry) const;
    int getFrequencyOf(const T& an_entry) const;
    std::vector<T> toVector() const;

private:
    ???
```

}; // end LinkedBag

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#include "LinkedBag.cpp"
#endif //LINKED_BAG_H_
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private:
    Node<T>* head_ptr_; // Pointer to first node
    int item_count_; // Current count of bag items

    // Returns either a pointer to the node containing a given entry
    // or the null pointer if the entry is not in the bag.
    Node<T>* getPointerTo(const T& target) const;
}; // end LinkedBag

#include "LinkedBag.cpp"
#endif //LINKED_BAG_H_
```

More than one public method will need to know if there is a pointer to a target so we separate it out into a private helper function (similar to ArrayBag but here we get pointers rather than indices)

LinkedBag Implementation

```
#include "LinkedBag.hpp"

template<class T>
LinkedBag<T>::LinkedBag() : head_ptr_{nullptr},
item_count_{0}
{
}

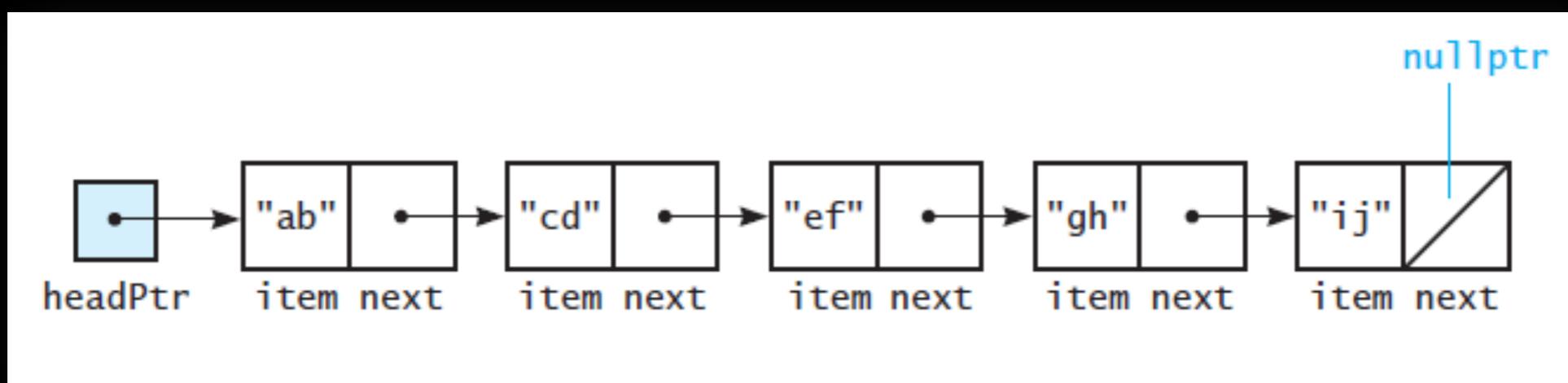
} // end default constructor
```

The default constructor

Private data member
initialization

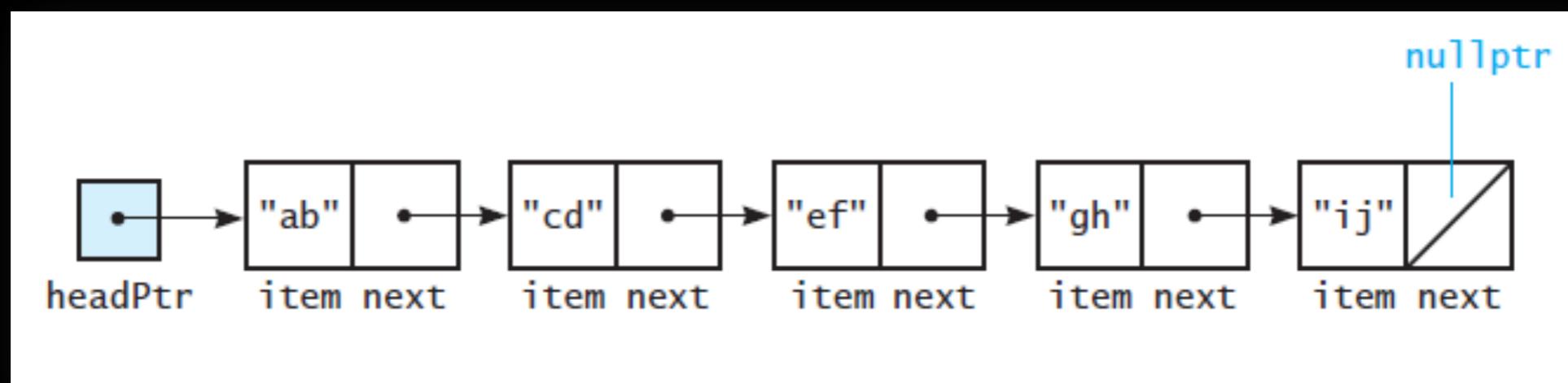
```
add(const T& new_entry)
```

Where should we add?

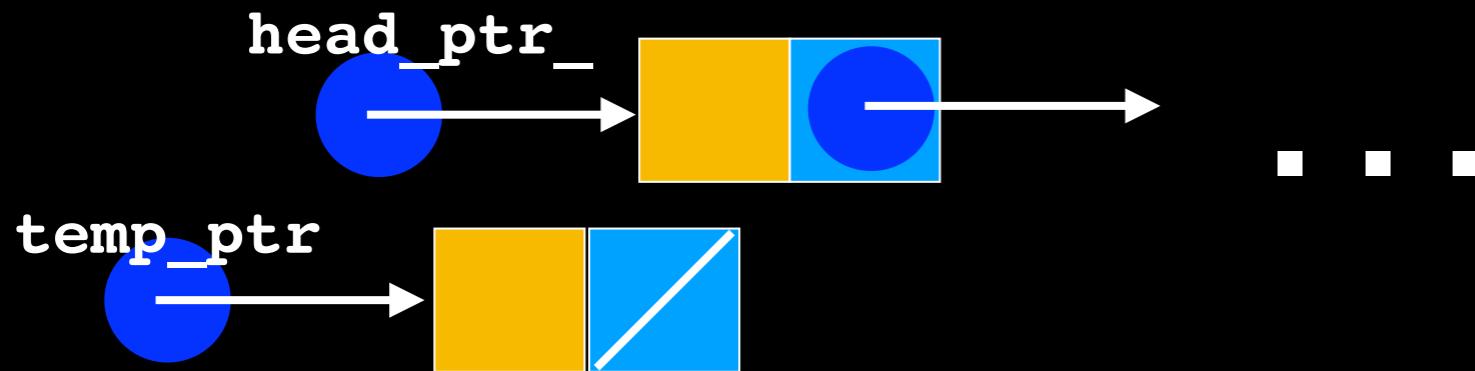


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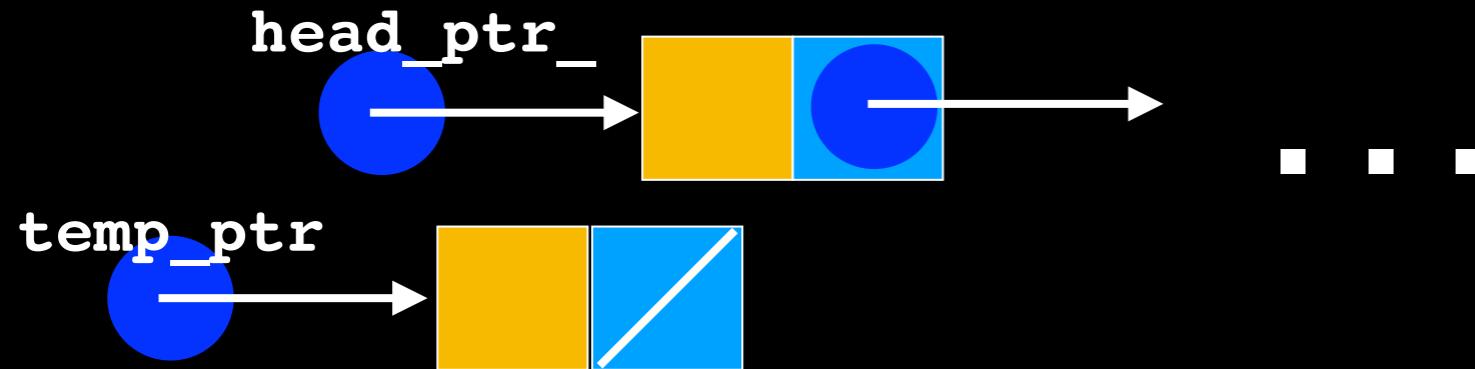
Write **pseudocode** for a sequence of steps to add to the **front** of the chain



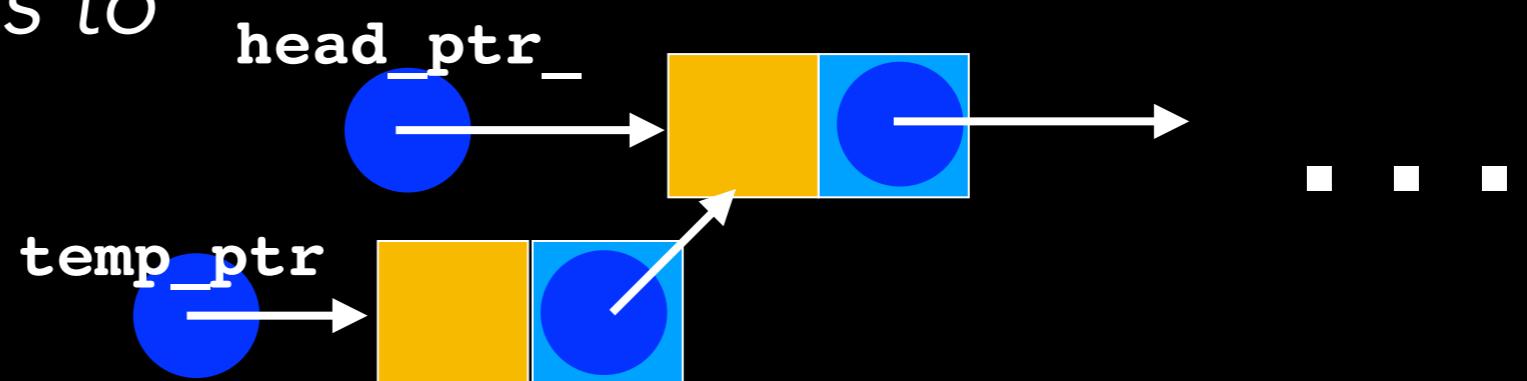
*Instantiate a **new** node and let a **temp pointer** point to it*



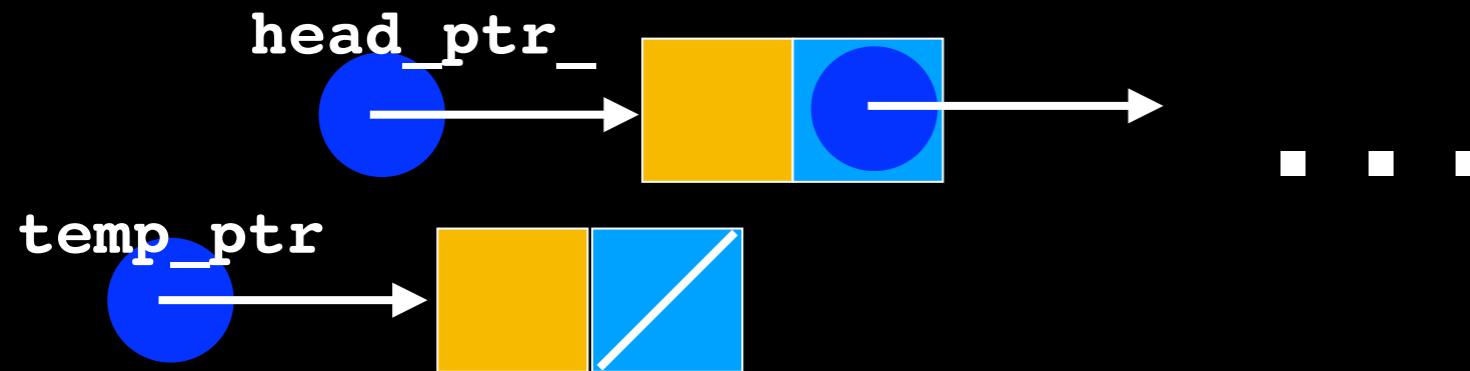
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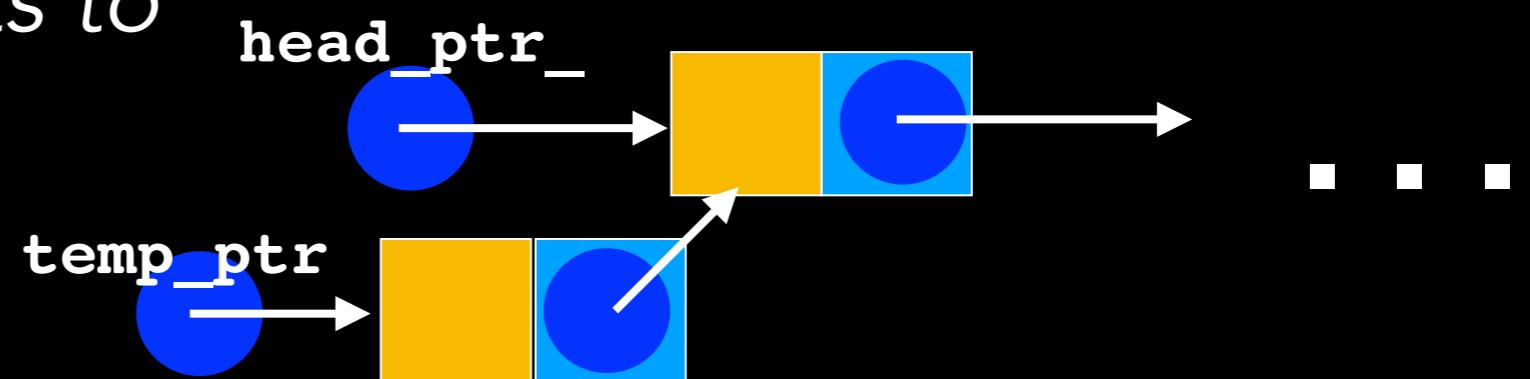
Let the **next pointer** of the **new node** point to the same node `head_ptr_` points to



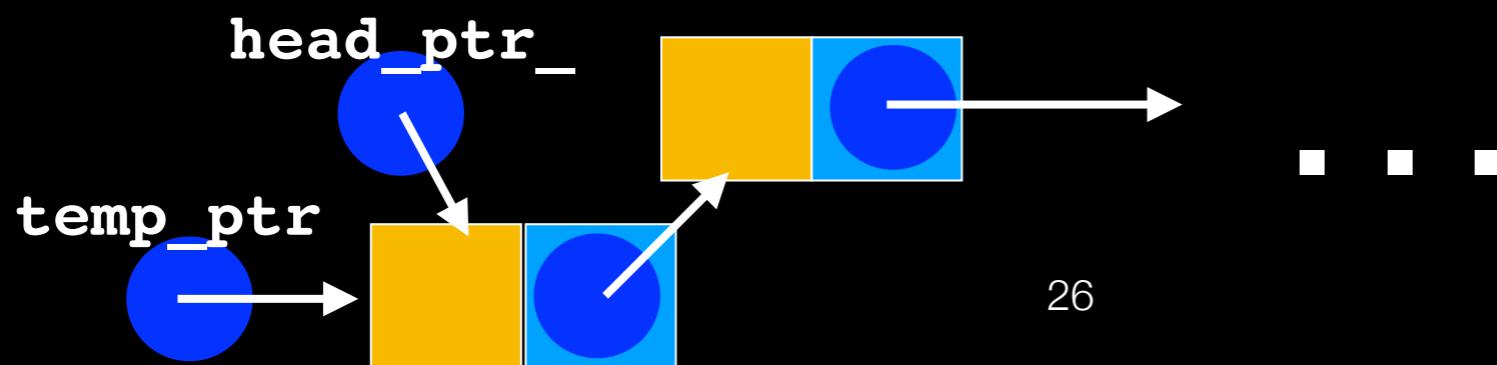
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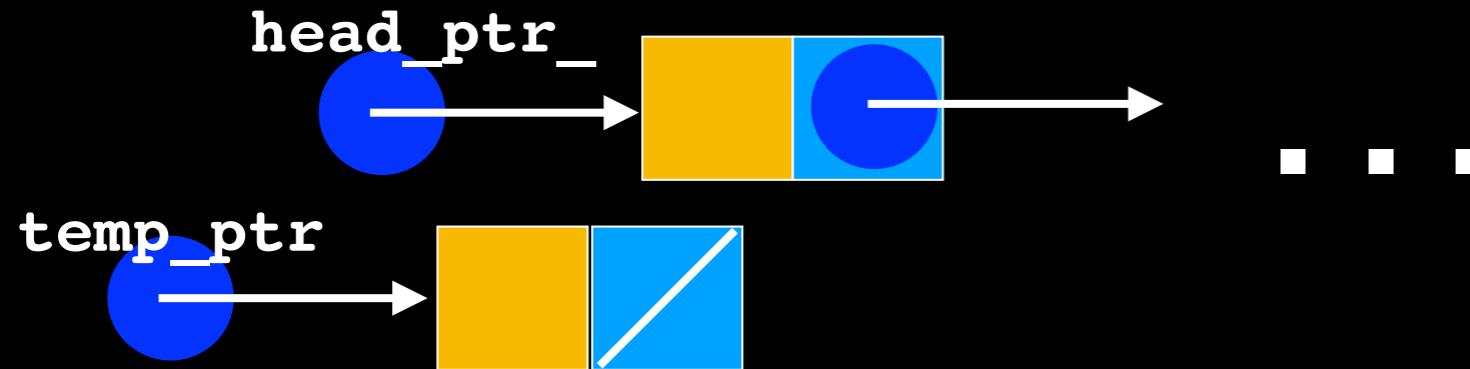
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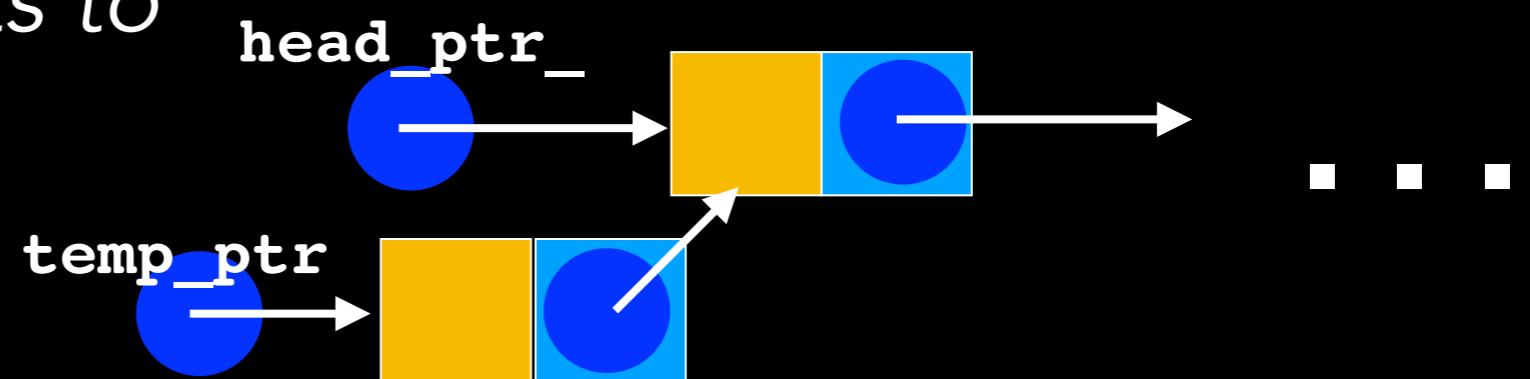
Let `head_ptr_` point to the **new node**



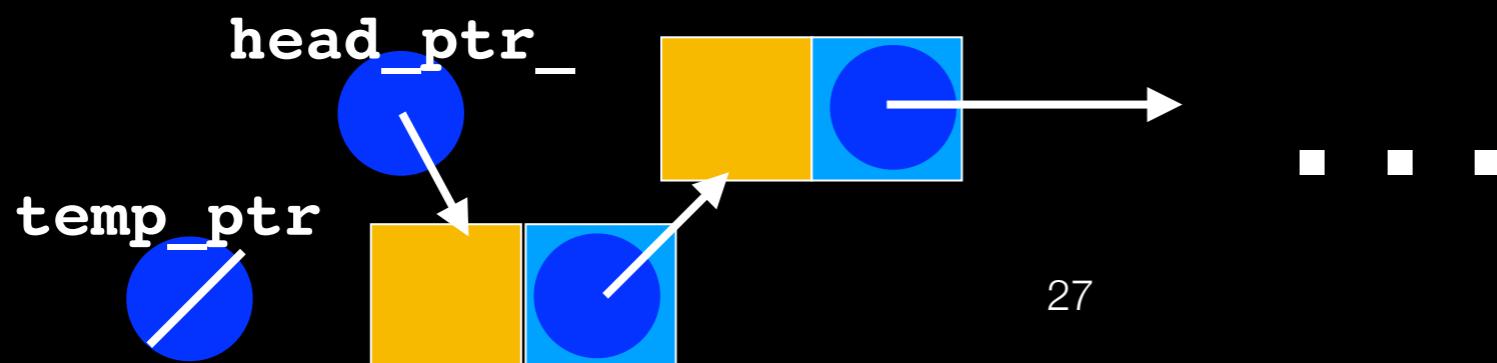
Instantiate a **new** node and let a **temp pointer** point to it



Let the **next pointer** of the **new node** point to the same node `head_ptr_` points to



Let `head_ptr_` point to the **new node**



Pseudocode (English-like)

- Instantiate a new node and let `temp_ptr` point to it
- Set `temp_ptr->next` to point to the same node `head_ptr_` points to
- Set `head_ptr` to point to the same node `temp_ptr` points to
- Set `temp_ptr` to `nullptr`

Pseudocode (Code-like)

```
temp_ptr = new node  
temp_ptr->next = head_ptr_  
head_ptr = temp_ptr  
temp_ptr = nullptr
```

LinkedBag Implementation

```
#include "LinkedBag.hpp"

template<class T>
bool LinkedBag<T>::add(const T& new_entry)
{
    // Add to beginning of chain: new node references rest of chain;
    // (head_ptr_ is null if chain is empty)
    Node<T>* new_node_ptr = new Node<T>;
    new_node_ptr->setItem(new_entry);
    new_node_ptr->setNext(head_ptr_); // New node points to chain

    head_ptr_ = new_node_ptr; // New node is now first node
    item_count_++;

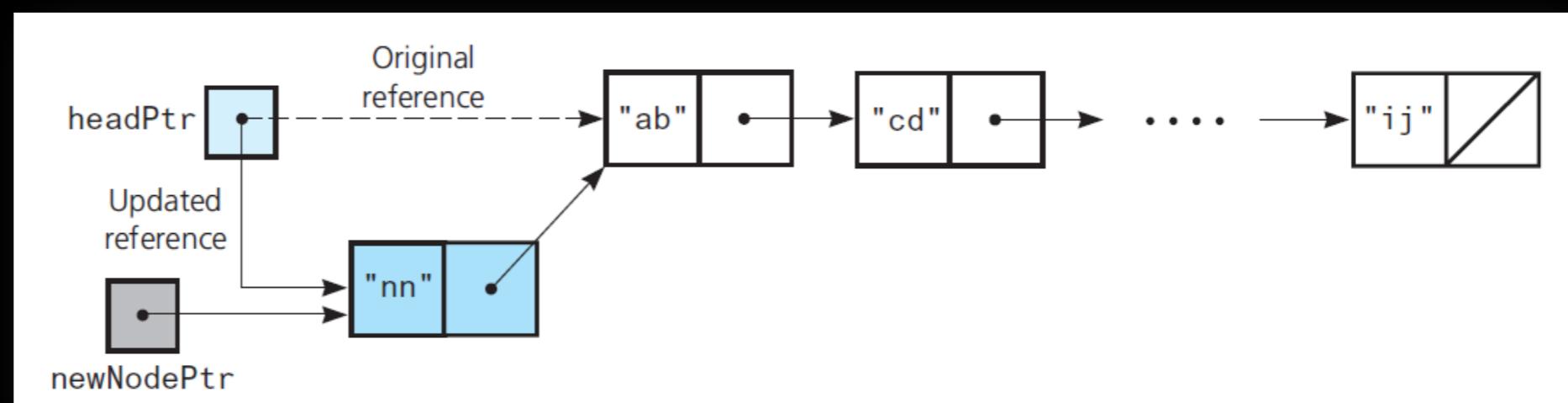
    return true;
} // end add
```

The add method

Add at beginning of chain is easy
because we have head_ptr_

Dynamic memory
allocation

Adding nodes to the heap!



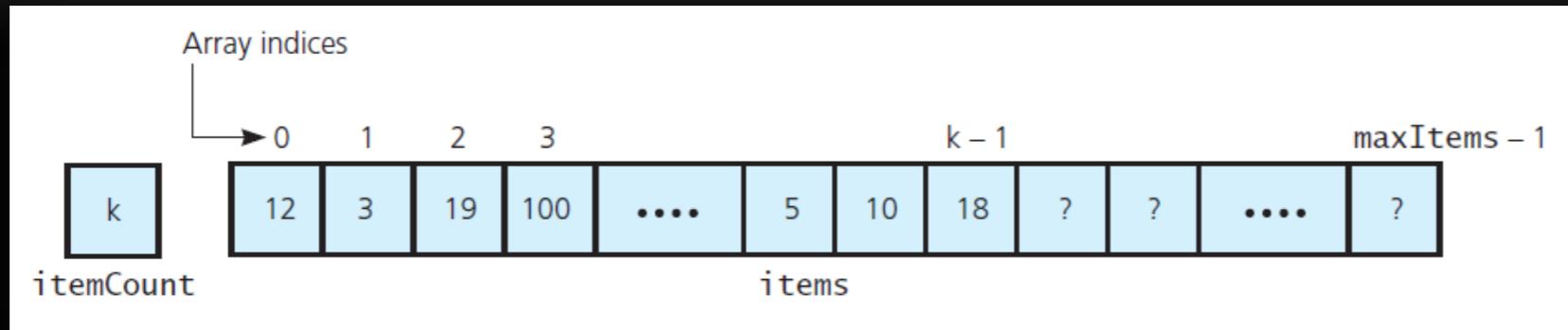
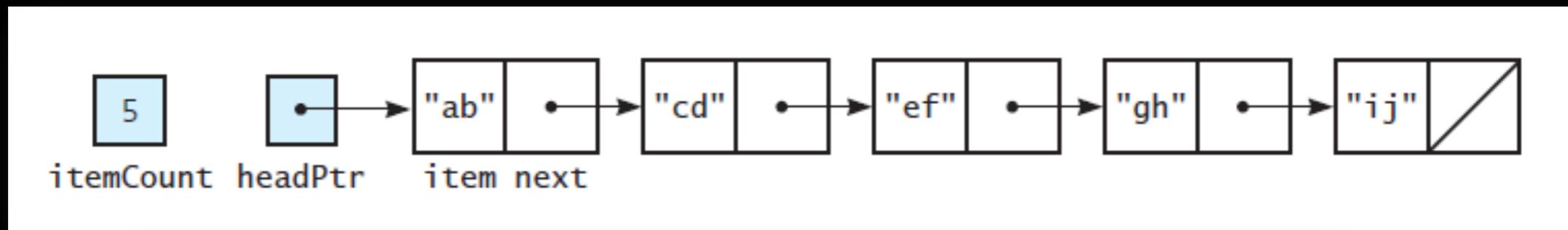
Efficiency

Create a new node and assign two pointers **O(1)**

What about adding to end of chain? **O(n)**

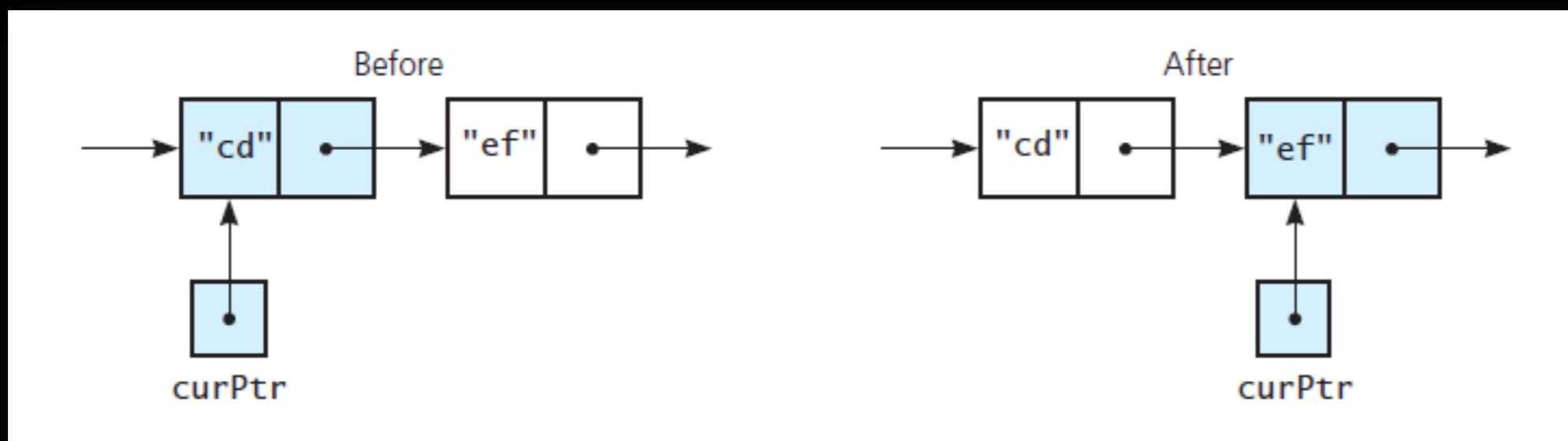
What about adding to front of array? **O(1) or O(n)**

No order Order



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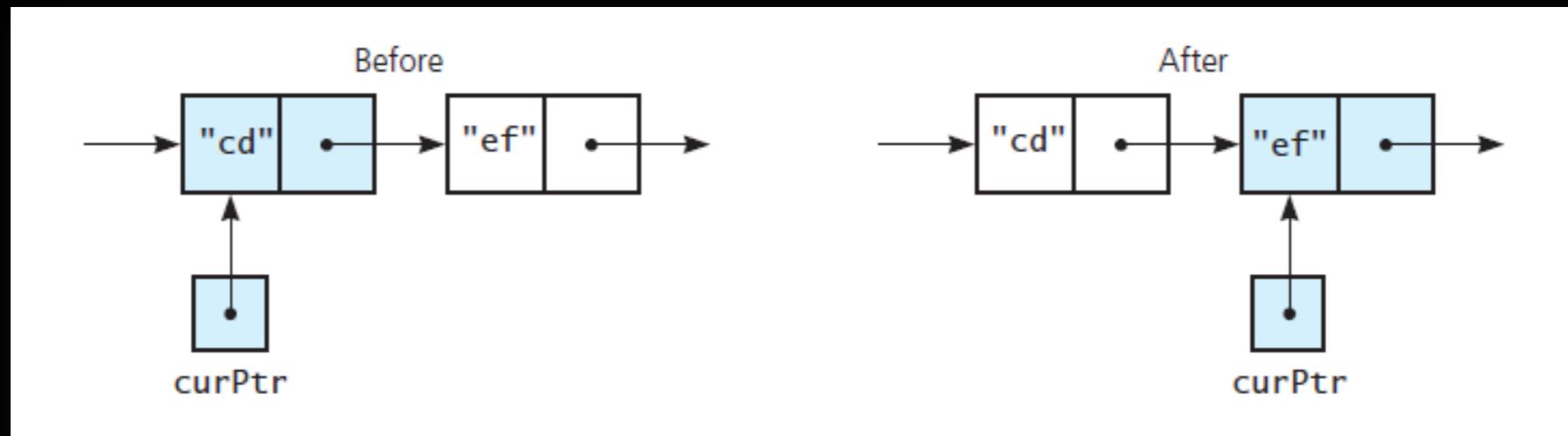
Write **Pseudocode** to traverse the chain from first node to last



Traversing the chain

Let a *current pointer* point to the *first node* in the *chain*

```
while(the current pointer is not the null pointer)  
{  
    "visit" the current node  
    set the current pointer to the next pointer of the  
    current node  
}
```



LinkedBag Implementation

```
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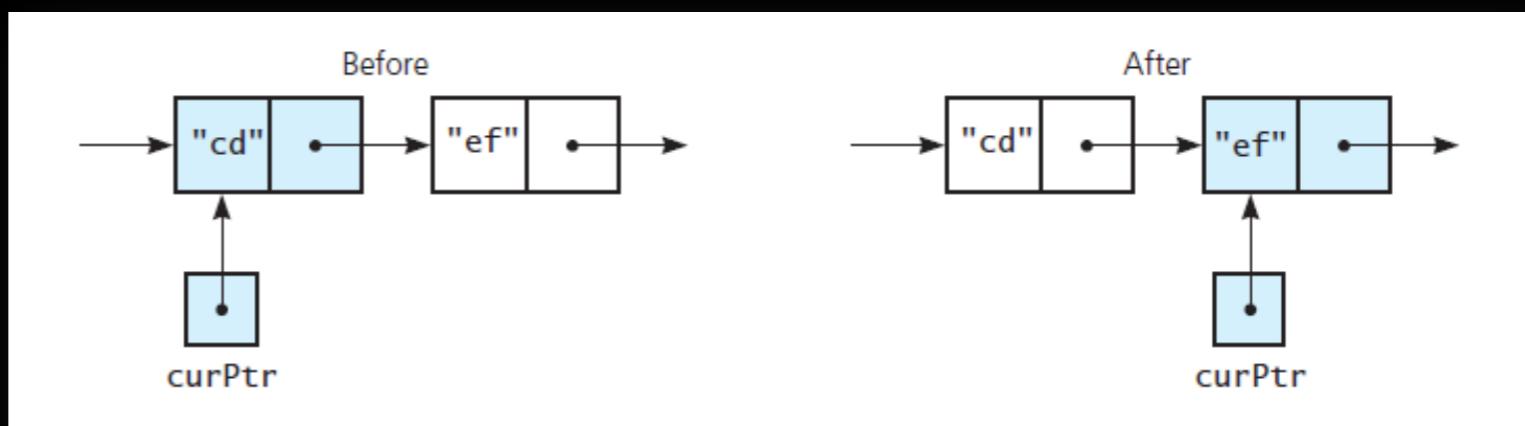
template<class T>
std::vector<T> LinkedBag<T>::toVector() const
{
    std::vector<T> bag_contents;
    Node<T>* cur_ptr = head_ptr_;

    while ((cur_ptr != nullptr))
    {
        bag_contents.push_back(cur_ptr->getItem());
        cur_ptr = cur_ptr->getNext();
    } // end while

    return bag_contents;
} // end toVector
```

The toVector method

Traversing:
Visit each node
Copy it



LinkedBag Implementation

Similarly `getFrequencyOf` will:
`traverse` the chain and
`count` frequency of (count each) `an_entry`

LinkedBag Implementation

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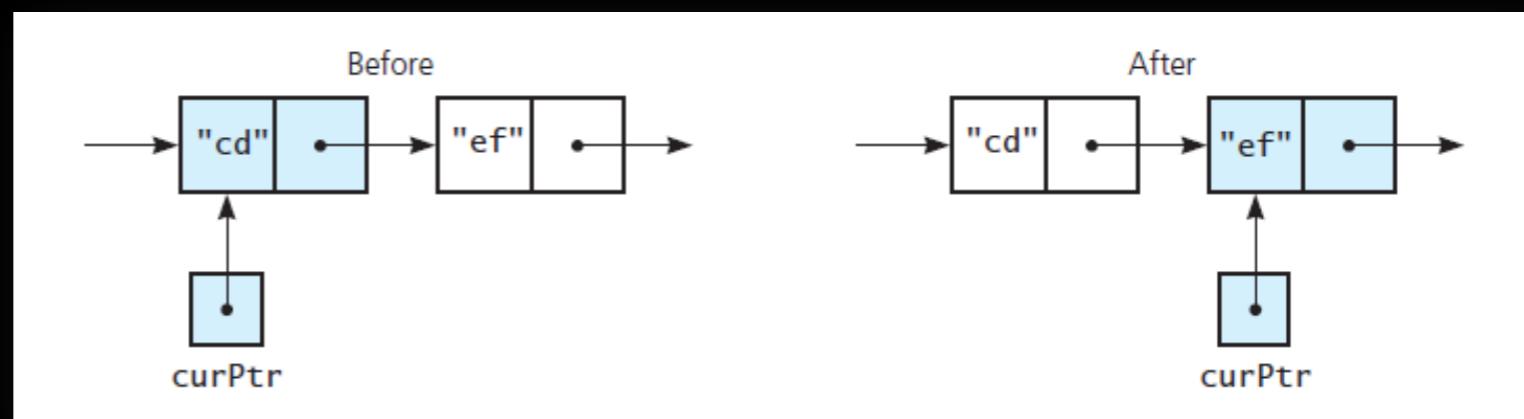
template<class T>
Node<T>* LinkedBag<T>::getPointerTo(const T& an_entry) const
{
    bool found = false;
    Node<T>* cur_ptr = head_ptr_;

    while (!found && (cur_ptr != nullptr))
    {
        if (an_entry == cur_ptr->getItem())
            found = true;
        else
            cur_ptr = cur_ptr->getNext();
    } // end while

    return cur_ptr;
} // end getPointerTo
```

The `getPointerTo` method

Traversing:
visit each node
if found what looking for
return



Efficiency

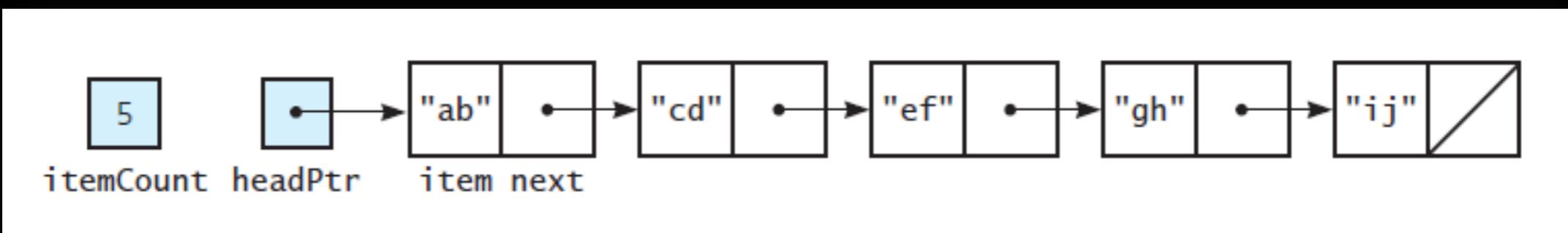
No fixed number of steps

Depends on location of `an_entry`

- 1 “check” if it is found at first node (**best case**)
- n “checks” if it is found at last node (**worst case**)

$O(n)$

What should we do to remove?



LinkedBag Implementation

```
#include "LinkedBag.hpp"
```

O(n)

```
template<class T>
bool LinkedBag<T>::remove(const T& an_entry)
{
    Node<T>* entry_ptr = getPointerTo(an_entry); O(n)
    bool can_remove = (entry_ptr != nullptr);
    if (can_remove)
    {
        // Copy data from first node to located node
        entry_ptr->setItem(head_ptr_->getItem());
        // Delete first node
        Node<T>* node_to_delete_ptr = head_ptr_;
        head_ptr_ = head_ptr_->getNext();
        // Return node to the system
        node_to_delete_ptr->setNext(nullptr);
        delete node_to_delete_ptr;
        node_to_delete_ptr = nullptr;
        item_count_--;
    } // end if
    O(1)
    return can_remove;
} // end remove
```

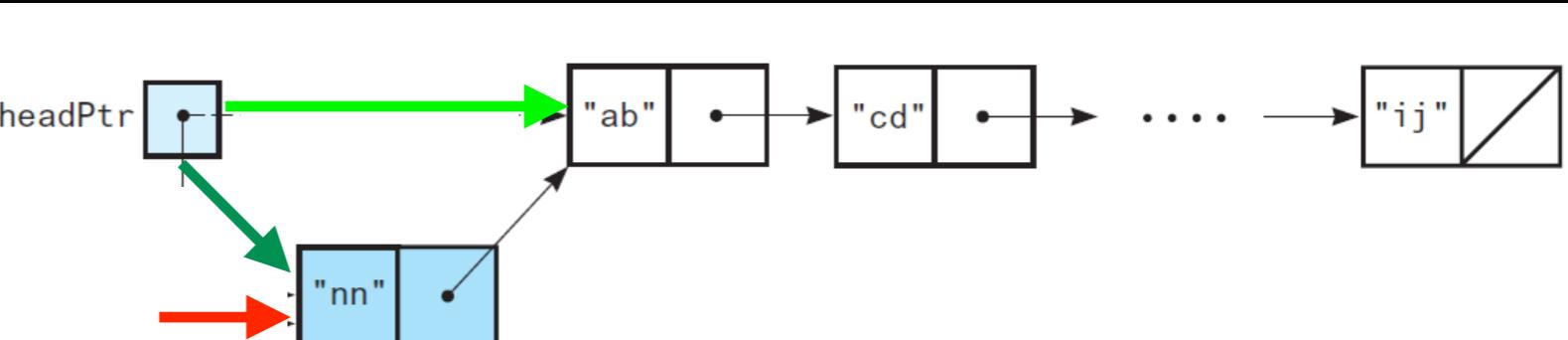
The remove method

Find

Deleting first node is easy

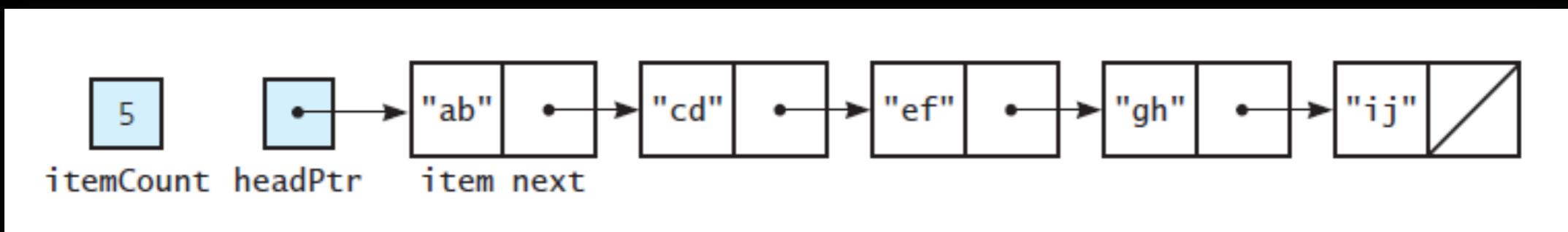
Copy data from first node
to node to delete
Delete first node

Must do this!!! Avoid memory leaks!!!



How do we clear the bag?

Can we do the same thing we did with array?



LinkedBag Implementation

```
#include "LinkedBag.hpp"
```

O(n)

```
template<class T>
void LinkedBag<T>::clear()
{
    Node<T>* node_to_delete_ptr = head_ptr_;
    while (head_ptr_ != nullptr)
    {
        head_ptr_ = head_ptr_->getNext();

        // Return node to the system
        node_to_delete_ptr->setNext(nullptr);
        delete node_to_delete_ptr;

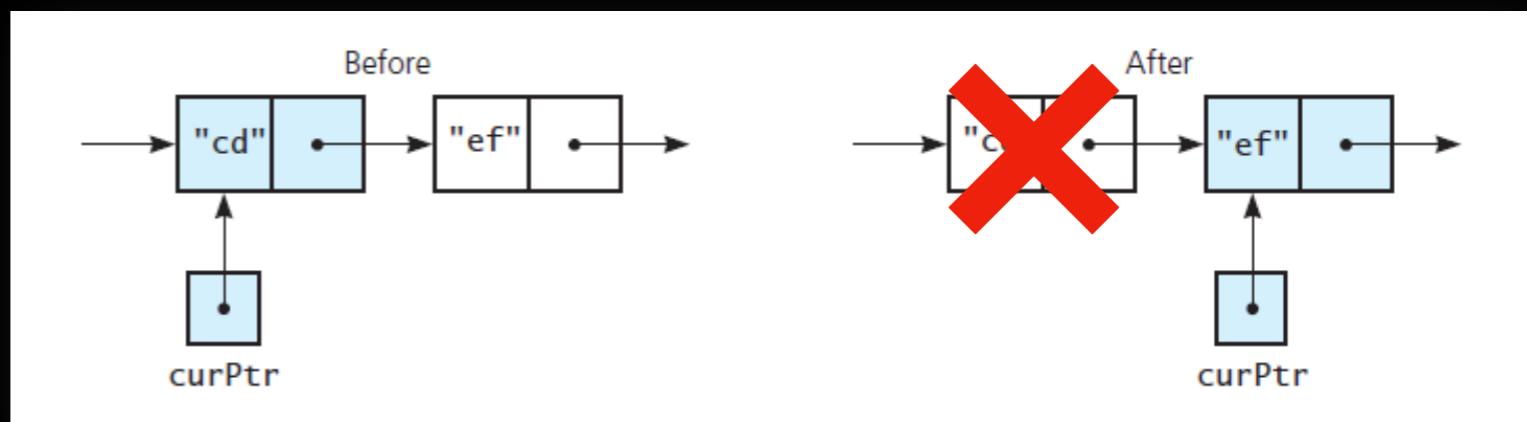
        node_to_delete_ptr = head_ptr_;
    } // end while
    // head_ptr_ is nullptr; node_to_delete_ptr is nullptr

    item_count_ = 0;
} // end clear
```

The clear method

Once again we are traversing:
Visit each node
Delete it

Must do this!!! Avoid memory Leak!!!



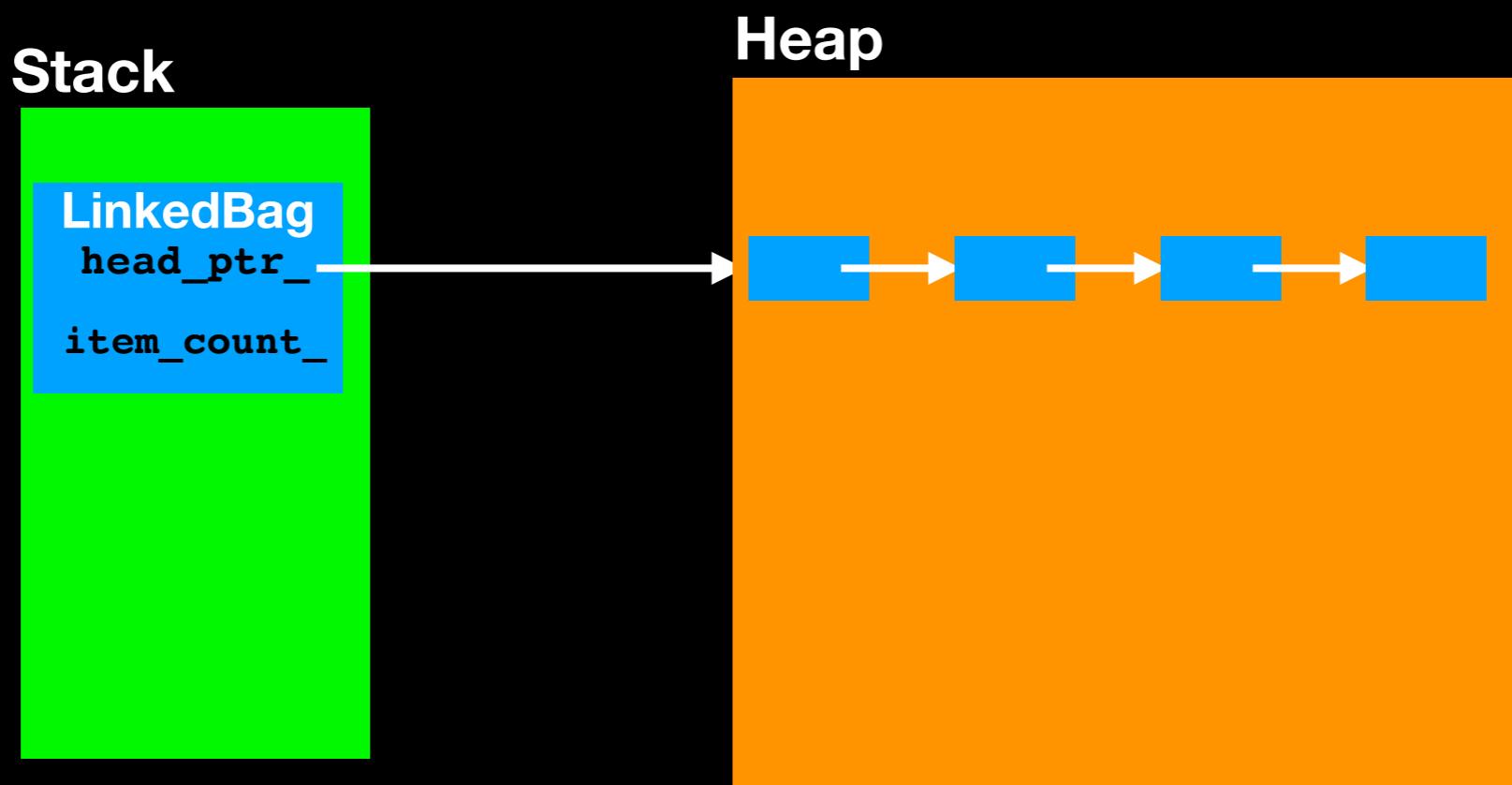
Dynamic Memory Considerations

Each new node added to the chain is allocated dynamically and stored on the heap

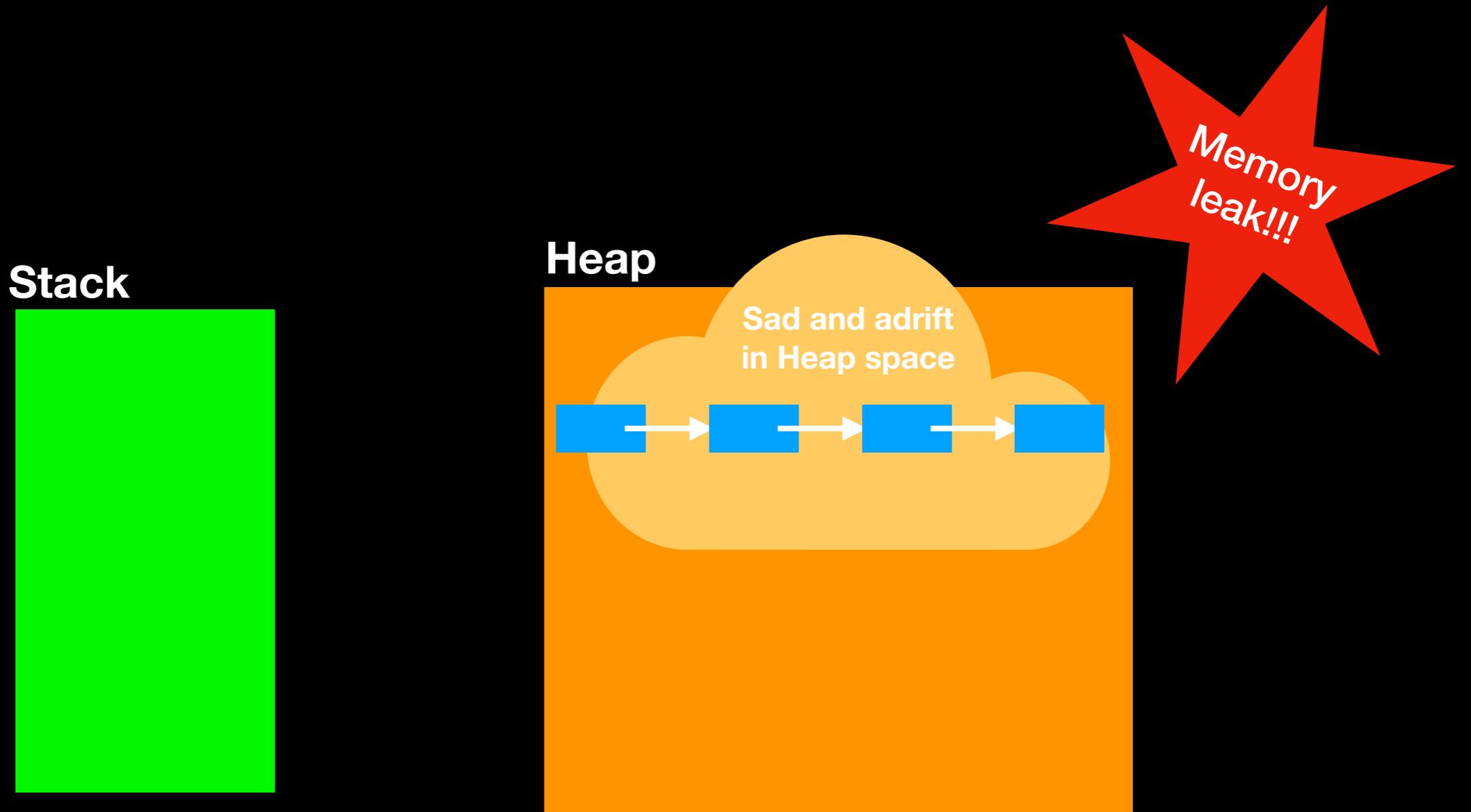
Programmer must ensure this memory is deallocated when object is destroyed!

Avoid memory leaks!!!!

What happens when object goes out of scope?



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LinkedBag Implementation

```
#include "LinkedBag.hpp"
```

The destructor

```
template<class T>
LinkedBag<T>::~LinkedBag()
{
    clear();
}

// end destructor
```

Ensure heap space is returned to the system

Must do this!!! Avoid memory leaks!!!

The Class LinkedBag

```
#ifndef LINKED_BAG_H_
#define LINKED_BAG_H_

#include "BagInterface.hpp"
#include "Node.hpp"

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public:
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    // Returns either a pointer to the node containing a given entry
    // or the null pointer if the entry is not in the bag.
    Node<T>* getPointerTo(const T& target) const;
}; // end LinkedBag

#include "LinkedBag.cpp"
#endif //LINKED_BAG_H_
```

$O(1)$



$O(n)$



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}; // end LinkedBag

#include "LinkedBag.cpp"
#endif //LINKED_BAG_H_
```

O(1)



O(n)



Next time!