

Linked Lists

Towards Queues

How

- We want to **implement** the queue library
 - So far we only wrote *client code* using its interface
- A queue stores a bunch of elements of the same type
 - Idea: represent a queue as an array

What

```

Queue Interface
// typedef _____* queue_t;

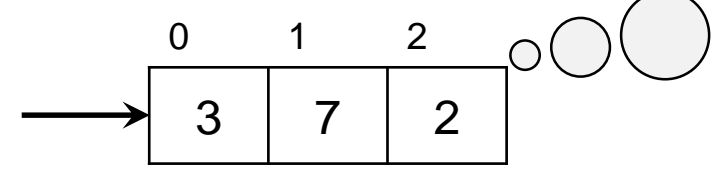
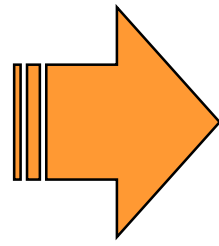
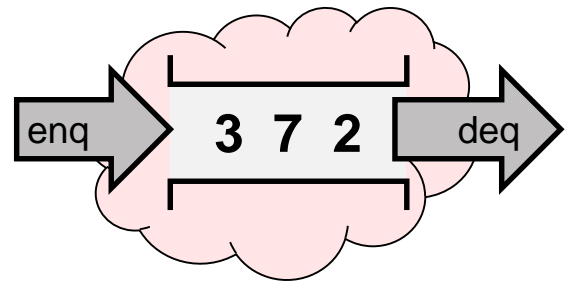
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```

say `int` for a change



```

// Implementation-side type
struct queue_header {
    int[] data;
};
typedef struct queue_header queue_header_t;

// Client type
typedef queue_header_t* queue_t;
    
```

○ But ...

- arrays have fixed length yet queues are unbounded
- how would we add and remove elements?
- can we achieve the complexity goals?

create new arrays each time?

where is the front? the back?

move elements around?

Toward Queues

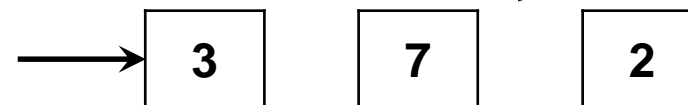
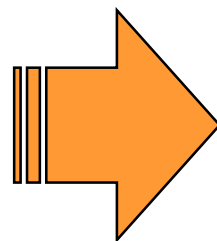
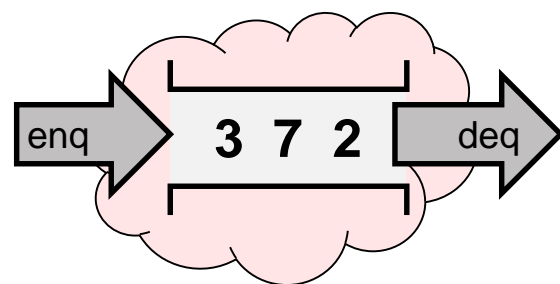
- *A queue stores a bunch of elements of the same type*

- *Represent a queue as an array* ✘

- We want something like an array but where

- we can add/remove elements at the beginning and end
- have it grow and shrink as needed

- Some kind of disembodied array ...



Adding an element adds a cell, removing an element removes a cell

But how to reach elements after the first?

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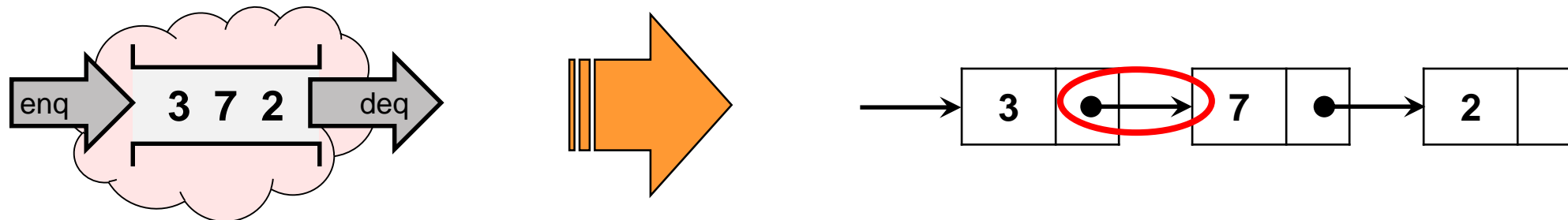
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Toward Queues

- *A disembodied array*
 - *how to reach the elements after the first?*
- Use pointers to go to the next element

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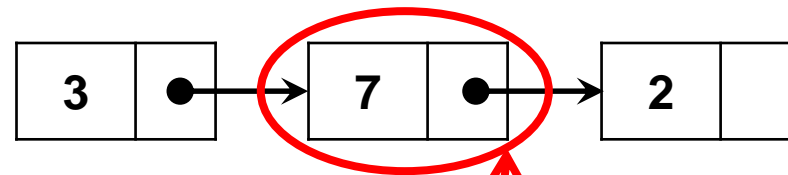


- This is called a **linked list**

Linked Lists

Lists of Nodes

- Linked lists use pointers to go to the next element



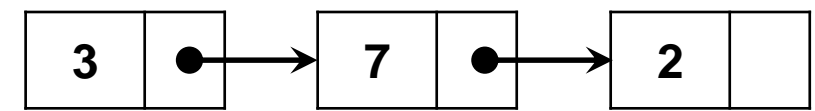
- each block is called a **node**

Let's implement it:

- a node consists of
 - a data element an `int` here
 - a pointer to the next node

```
struct list_node {  
    int data;  
    struct list_node* next;  
};
```

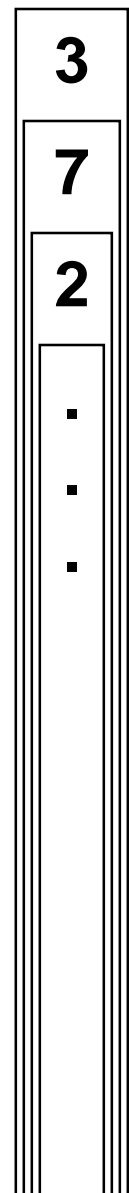
- The whole list is a pointer to its first node



Lists of Nodes

```
struct list_node {  
    int data;  
    struct list_node* next;  
};
```

- Linked lists are a **recursive type**
 - a `struct list_node` is defined in terms of itself
- What if we don't have this pointer?
 - a node that contains an `int` and
 - a node that contains an `int` and
 - a node that contains an `int` and
 - ...
 - It would take an *infinite amount of memory!*
 - The C0 compiler disallows this
 - recursion can only occur behind a pointer (or an array)



Lists of Nodes

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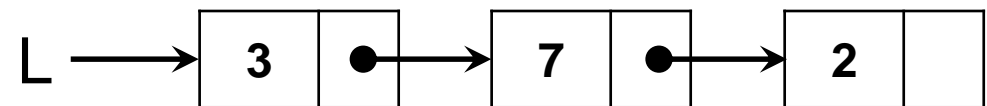
- Let's make it more readable

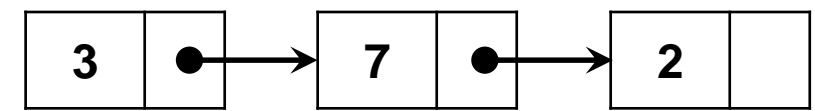
```
typedef struct list_node list; // ADDED  
  
struct list_node {  
    int data;  
    list* next; // MODIFIED  
};
```

This can go before
or after the struct

- Implementing this linked list

```
list* L = alloc(list);  
L->data = 3;  
L->next = alloc(list);  
L->next->data = 7;  
L->next->next = alloc(list);  
L->next->next->data = 2;
```

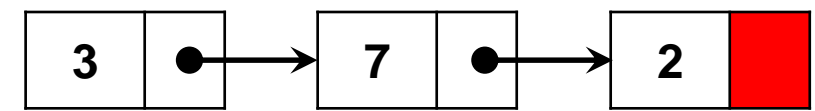




Lists of Nodes

- Does this help us implement queues?
 - Linked lists can be arbitrarily large or small
 - use just the nodes we need
 - size is not fixed like arrays
 - It's easy to insert an element at the beginning
 - allocate a new node and point its next field to the list
 - In fact, it's easy to insert an element between any two nodes
 - allocate a new node and move pointers around
- What about inserting an element at the end?
 - How do we indicate the end of a linked list?

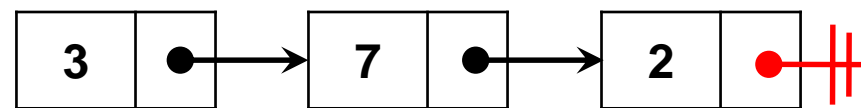
So far we just drew an empty box ...



The End of a List

We need to make the pointer in the last node **special**

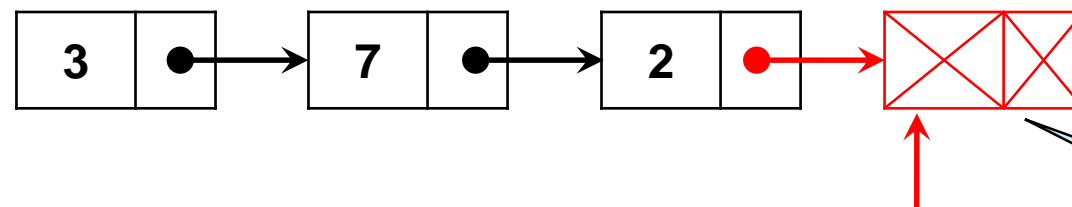
- Use the NULL pointer



This is a great idea if we don't need direct access to the end of the list

➤ This is a **NULL-terminated list**

- Point it to a special node we keep track of somewhere

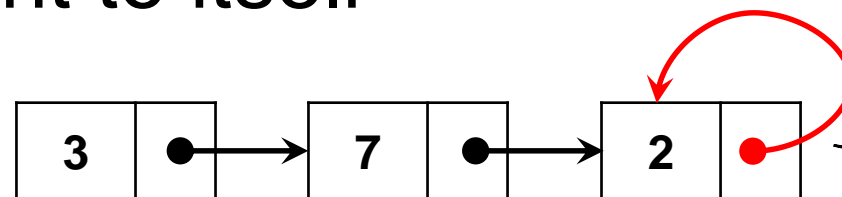


This is a great idea if we **do** need direct access to the end of the list

➤ We know we reached the end of the list if its next field is equal to the address of the dummy node

This node is called the **dummy node** or the **sentinel**

- Have it point to itself

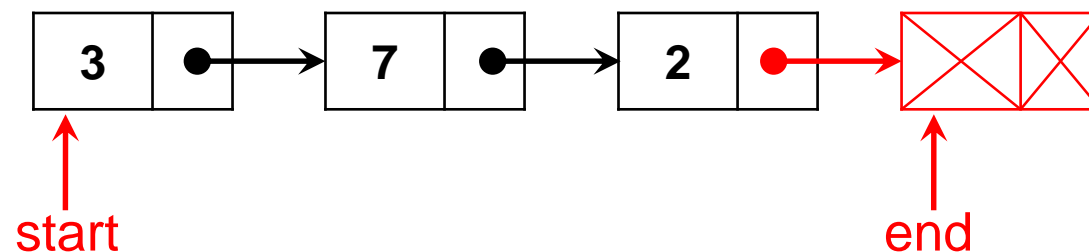


This works too, but nobody does that

List Segments

Lists with a Dummy Node

- We need to keep track of *two* pointers



- **start**: where the first node is
- **end**: the address in the next field of the last node
 - the address of the dummy node

- What's in the dummy node?

- some values that are not important to us
 - some number and some pointer
- we say its fields are *unspecified*
 - no way to test for “unspecified”

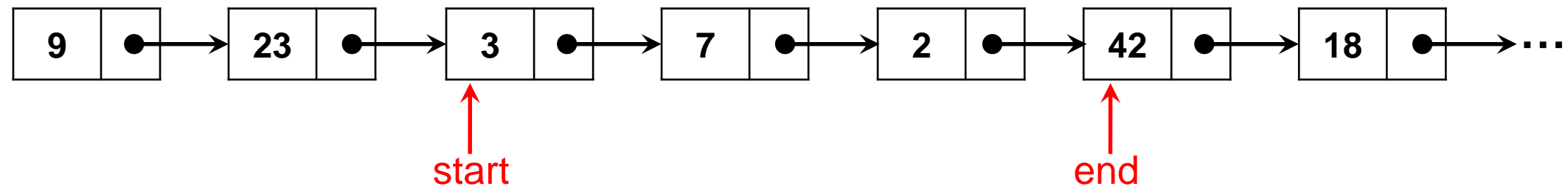
These values are not special in any way:

- data could be any element
- next may or may not be NULL

- A dummy value is a value we **don't care** what it is

List Segments

- There may be more nodes before and after

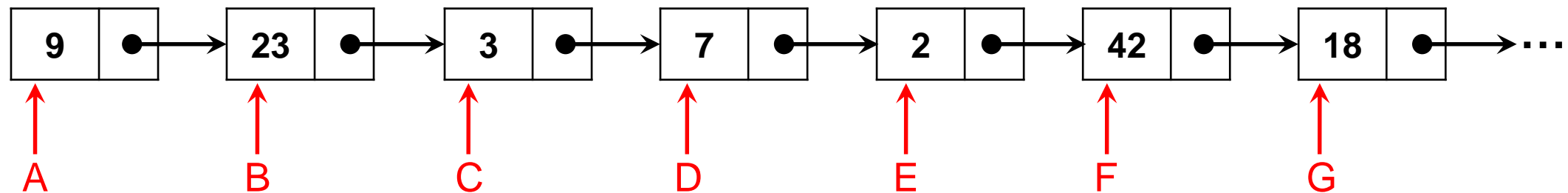


- The pair of pointers **start** and **end** identify our list exactly
 - **start** is **inclusive** (the first node of the list)
 - **end** is **exclusive** (one past the last node of the list)
- They identify the **list segment** [start, end)
 - here it contain values 3, 7 and 2
 - similar to array segments $A[lo, hi)$

points to the dummy node

List Segments

- There are many list segments in a list



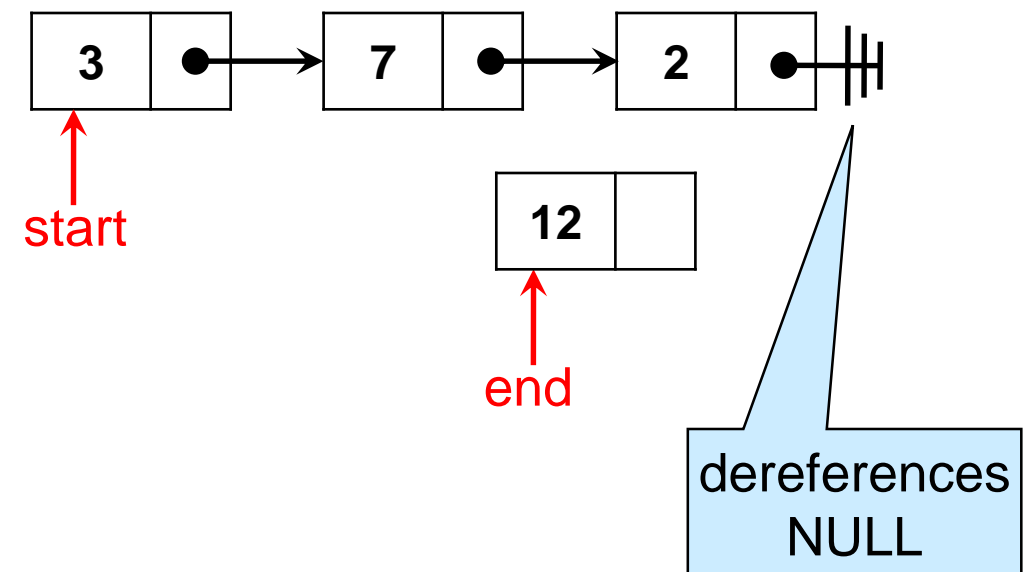
- The list segment [C, F) contains elements 3, 7, 2
 - its dummy node contains 42 and the pointer G
- The list segment [A, G) contains 9, 23, 3, 7, 2, 42
 - its dummy node contains 18 and the some pointer
- The list segment [B, D) contains 23, 3
 - its dummy node contains 7 and the pointer E
- The list segment [C, C) contains no elements
 - its dummy node contains 3 and the pointer D
 - this is the **empty segment**
 - any segment where **start** is the same as **end**
 - [A, A), [B, B), ...

Checking for List Segments

```
typedef struct list_node list;
struct list_node {
    int data;
    list* next;
};
```

- We want to write a specification function that checks that two pointers **start** and **end** form a list segment
 - Follow the next pointer from **start** until we reach **end**

```
bool is_segment(list* start, list* end) {
    list* l = start;
    while (l != end) {
        l = l->next;
    }
    return true;
}
```



- Does this work?

- the dereference `l->next` may not be safe
 - we need NULL-checks!
- we never return false

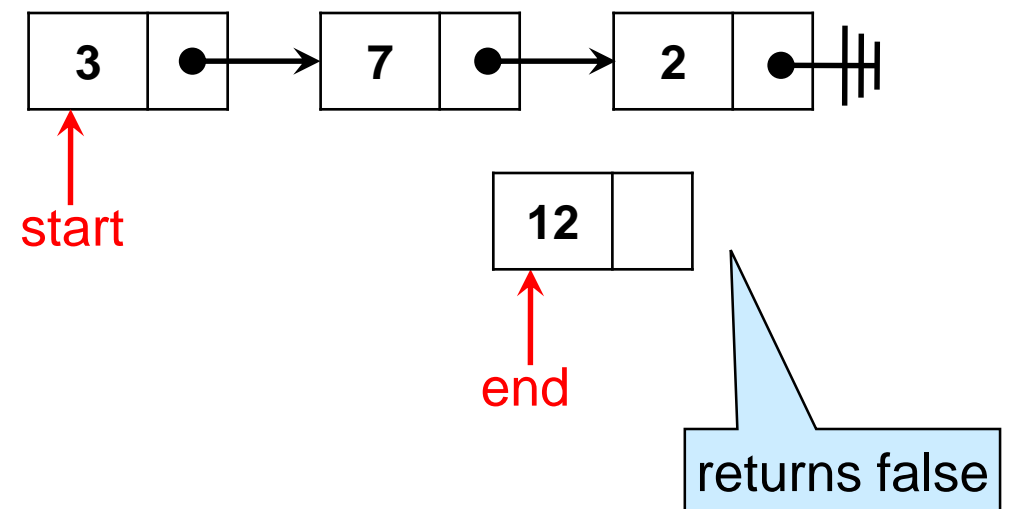
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    while (l != NULL) {           // MODIFIED
        if (l == end) return true; // ADDED
        l = l->next;
    }
    return false;                // MODIFIED
}
```



- Does this work?
 - if there is a list segment from *start* to *end*, it will return true
 - if it returns false, there is no list segment from *start* to *end*
- It works then ...

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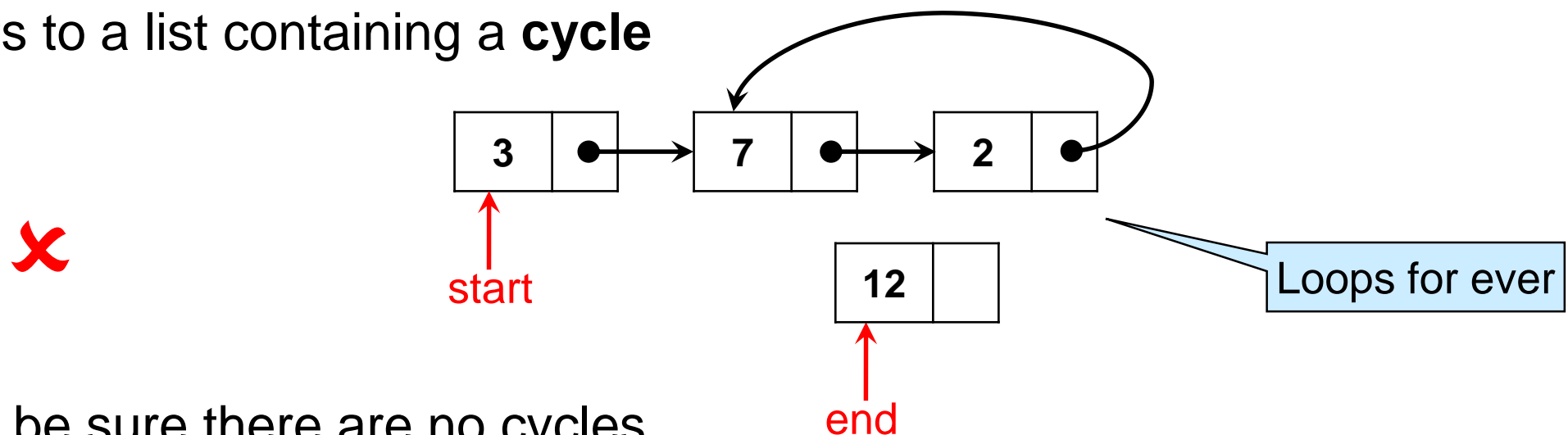
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- Can there be no list segment but it does not return false

- if start points to a list containing a **cycle**



- We need to be sure there are no cycles

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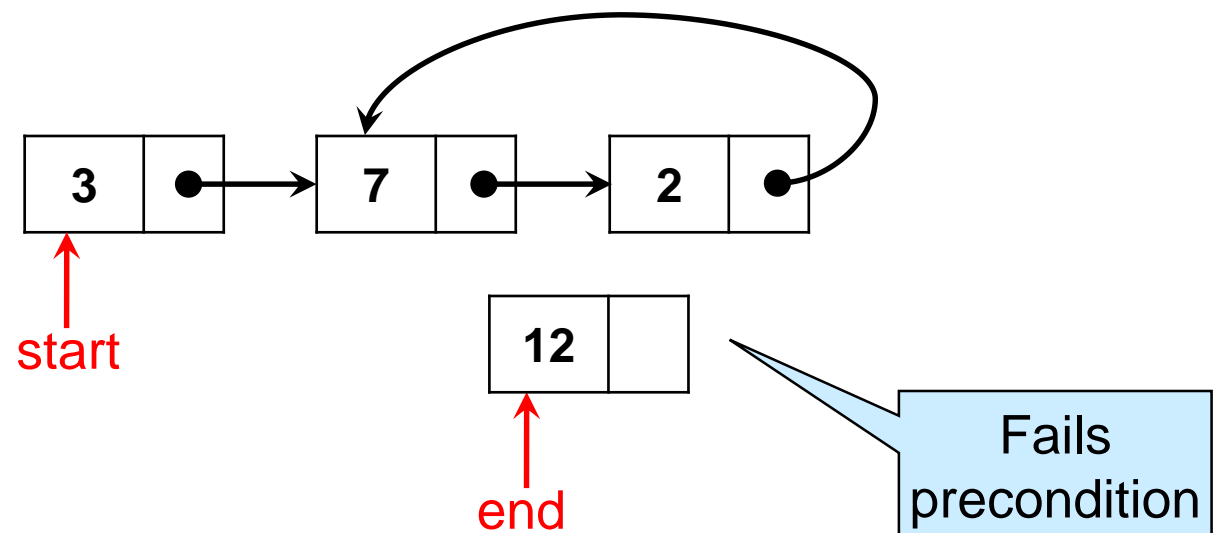
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```
bool is_segment(list* start, list* end)  
//@requires is_acyclic(start); // ADDED  
{  
    list* l = start;  
    while (l != NULL) {  
        if (l == end) return true;  
        l = l->next;  
    }  
    return false;  
}
```

We will implement it later

- Does this work?

➤ Yes!



Fails
precondition

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}
```

- Notes:

- returns false if start == NULL
- or if end == NULL
 - ❑ NULL is not a pointer to a list node
 - ❑ subsumes NULL-check for both start and end

Checking for List Segments

```
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    list* next;  
};
```

- We can also write it more succinctly
 - using a for loop

```
bool is_segment(list* start, list* end)  
//@requires is_acyclic(start);  
{  
    for (list* l = start; l != NULL; l = l->next) {  
        if (l == end) return true;  
    }  
    return false;  
}
```

All 3 versions are equivalent

- recursively

```
bool is_segment(list* start, list* end)  
//@requires is_acyclic(start);  
{  
    if (start == NULL) return false;  
    return start == end  
        || is_segment(start->next, end);  
}
```

Detecting Cycles

- How to check if a list is cyclic?

- Use a counter and look for overflows

- very inefficient!
- also, C0 pointers are 64 bits but `ints` are 32 bits

In C0, there are more pointers than integers!

- Keep track of visited nodes somewhere

- in an array?
- in another list?

how big to make it?

array indices are 32 bits

how do we check it has no cycles?

- Add a “visited” field to the nodes (a boolean)

- we need to know the list is acyclic to initialize it to false!

- What then?



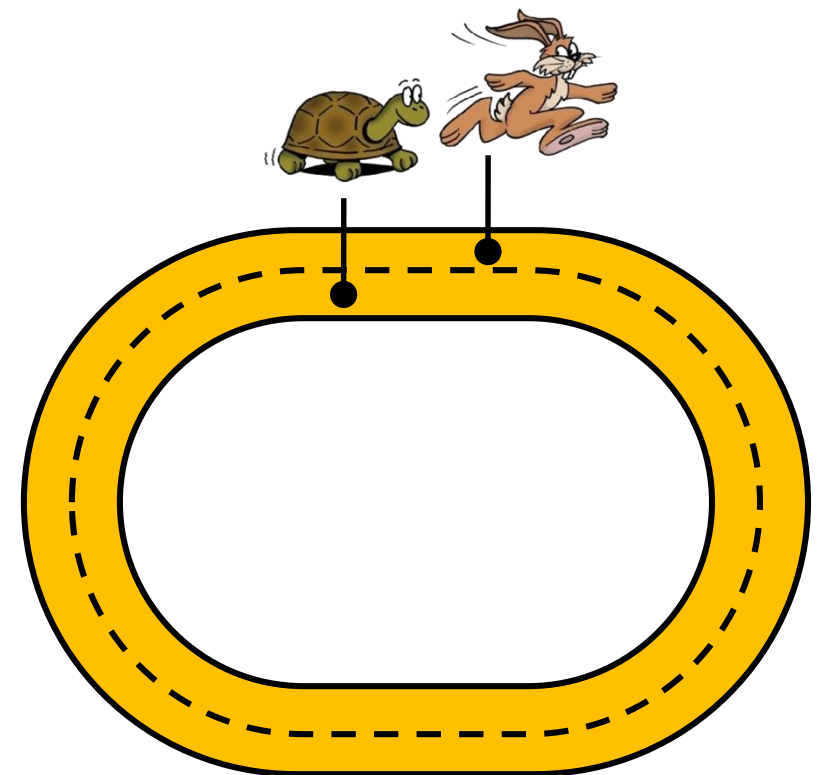
Detecting Cycles



Robert W. Floyd

- The tortoise and hare algorithm by this dude
 - Traverse the list using two pointers
 - the tortoise starts at the beginning and moves by 1 step
 - the hare starts just ahead of the tortoise and moves by 2 steps
 - If the hare ever overtakes the tortoise, there is a cycle

```
bool is_acyclic(list* start) {  
    if (start == NULL) return true;  
    list* t = start;           // tortoise  
    list* h = start->next;    // hare  
    while (h != t) {  
        if (h == NULL || h->next == NULL) return true;  
        // @assert t != NULL; // hare hits NULL quicker  
        t = t->next;           // tortoise moves by 1 step  
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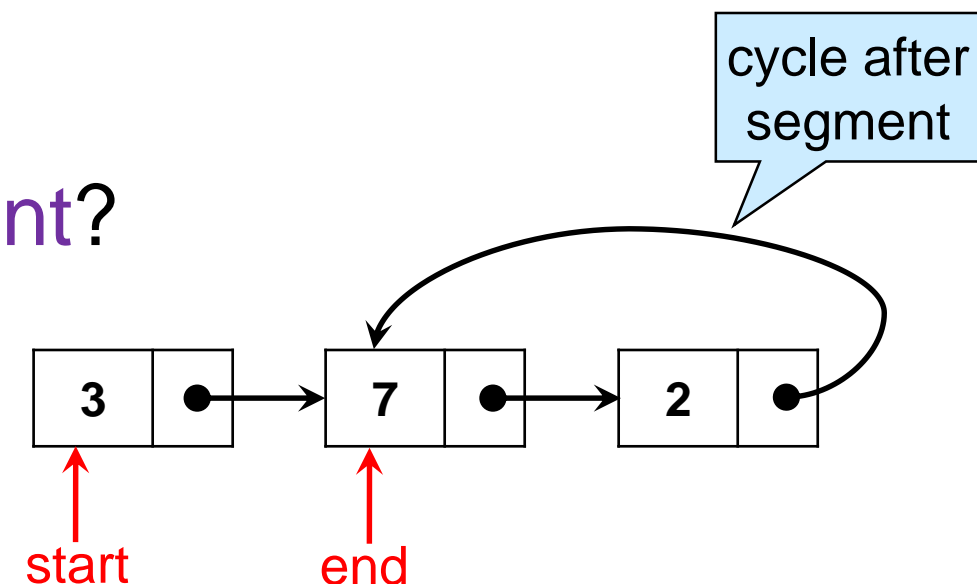
- Returns

- true if there is no cycle
- false if there is a cycle

- Does it fix our problem with `is_segment`?

- Too aggressive
- *Exercise: fix it!*

Hint: you need to account for end



Manipulating List Segments

Deleting an Element

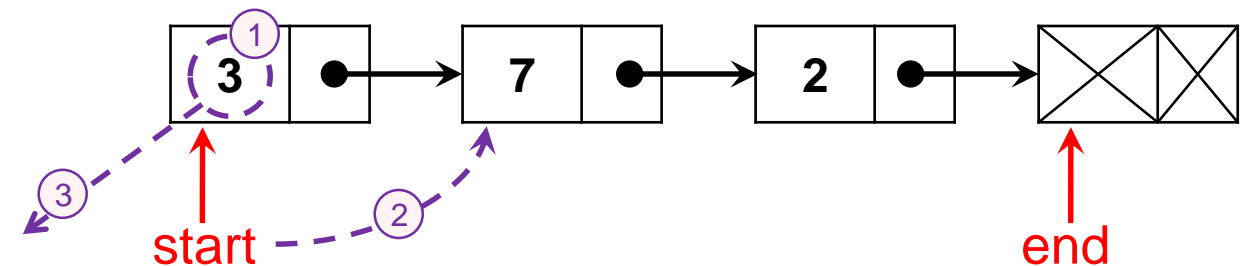
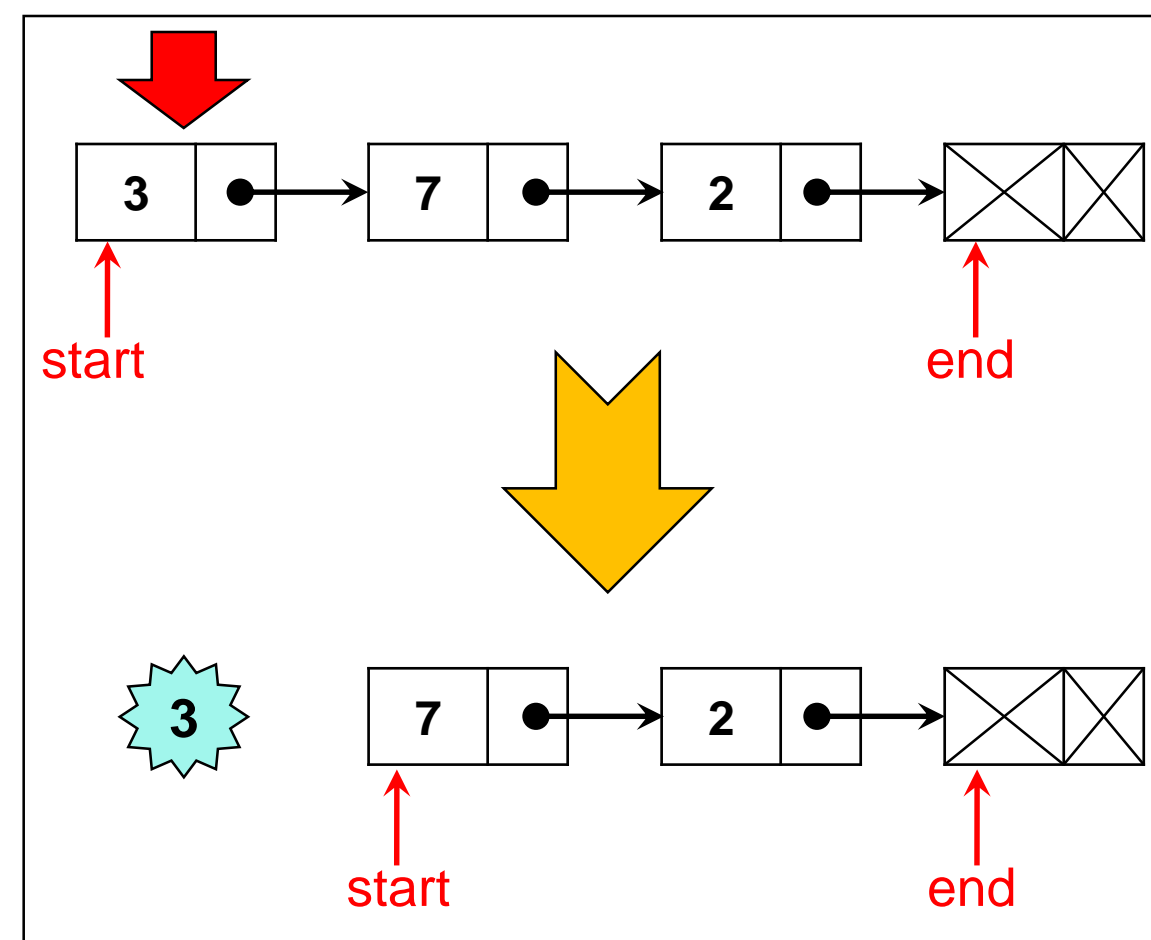
- How do we remove the node **at the beginning** of a non-empty list segment **[start, end)**?

➤ and return the value in there

1. grab the value in the **start** node
2. move **start** to point to the next node
3. return the value

```
① int x = start->data;  
② start = start->next;  
③ return x;
```

○ **Complexity:** $O(1)$



Note: we are not “deleting” the node, just making the segment shorter

Deleting an Element

- How do we remove the **last** node of a non-empty list segment **[start, end)**?

➤ and return the value in there

- we must go from **start**

□ **end** is one node too far

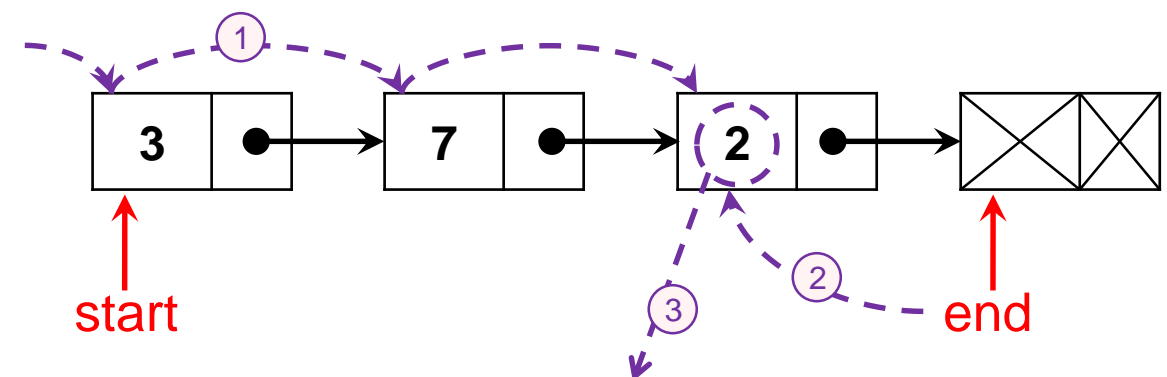
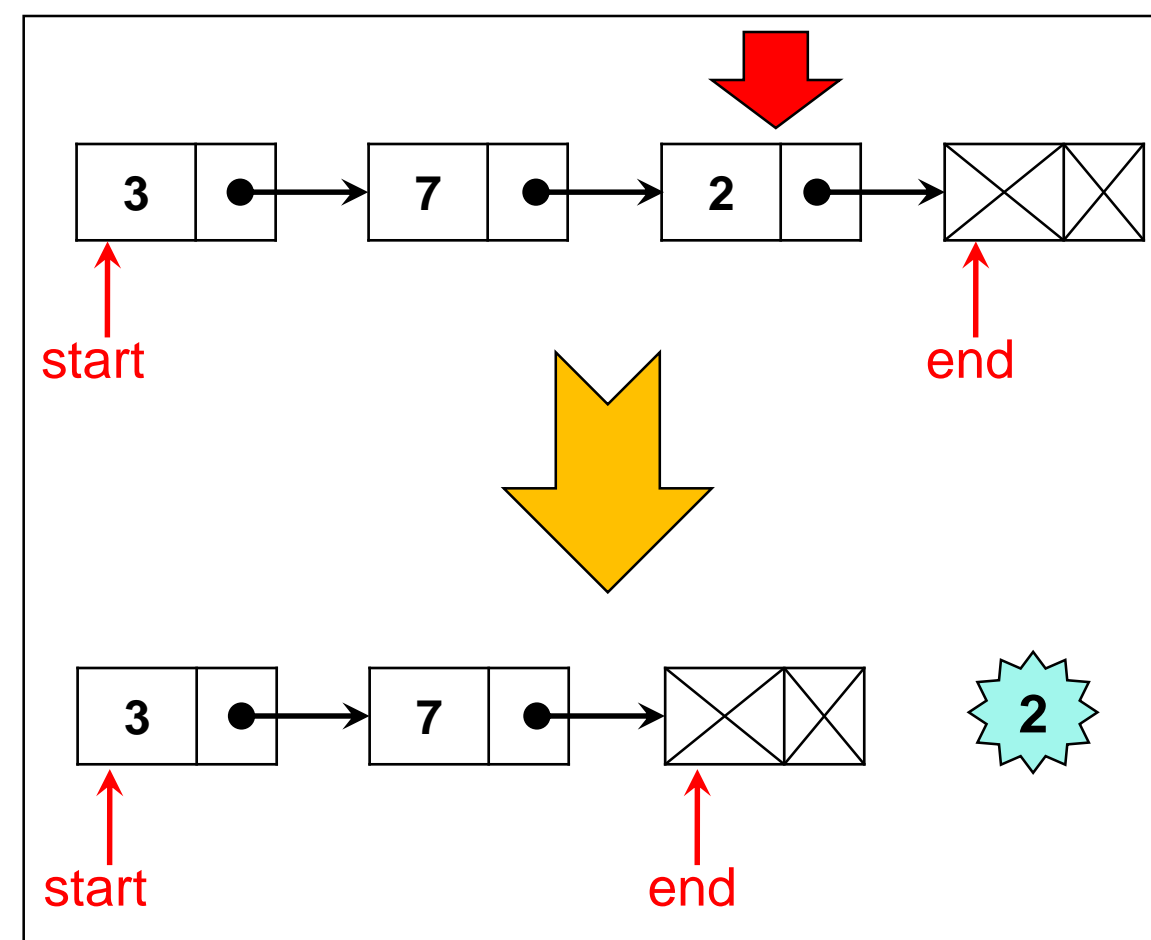
1. follow next until just before **end**
2. move **end** to that node
3. return its value

```

① list* l = start;
  while (l->next != end)
    l = l->next;
② end = l;
③ return l->data;
    
```

- **Complexity:** $O(n)$

Expensive!



Notes:

- The old last node becomes the new dummy node
- We are not “deleting” anything, just making the segment shorter

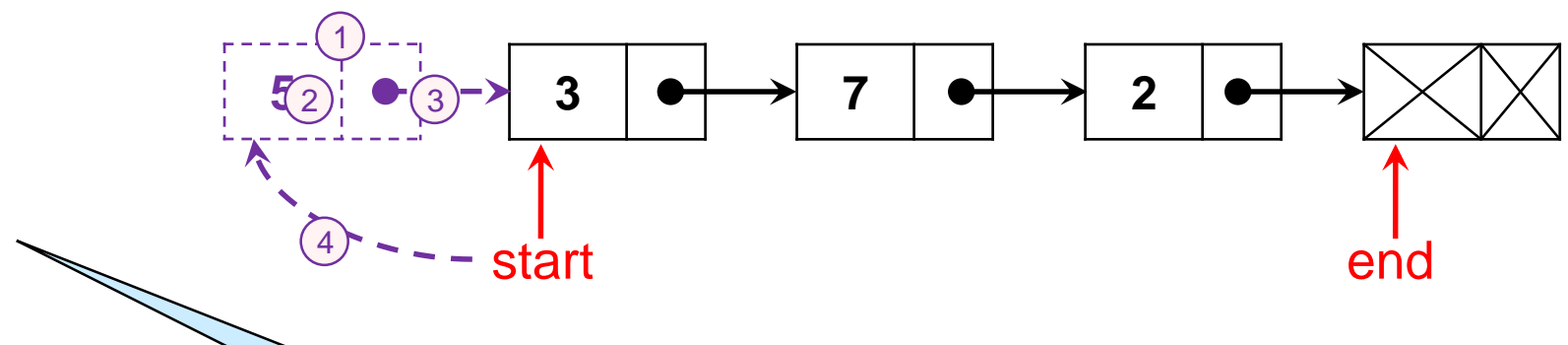
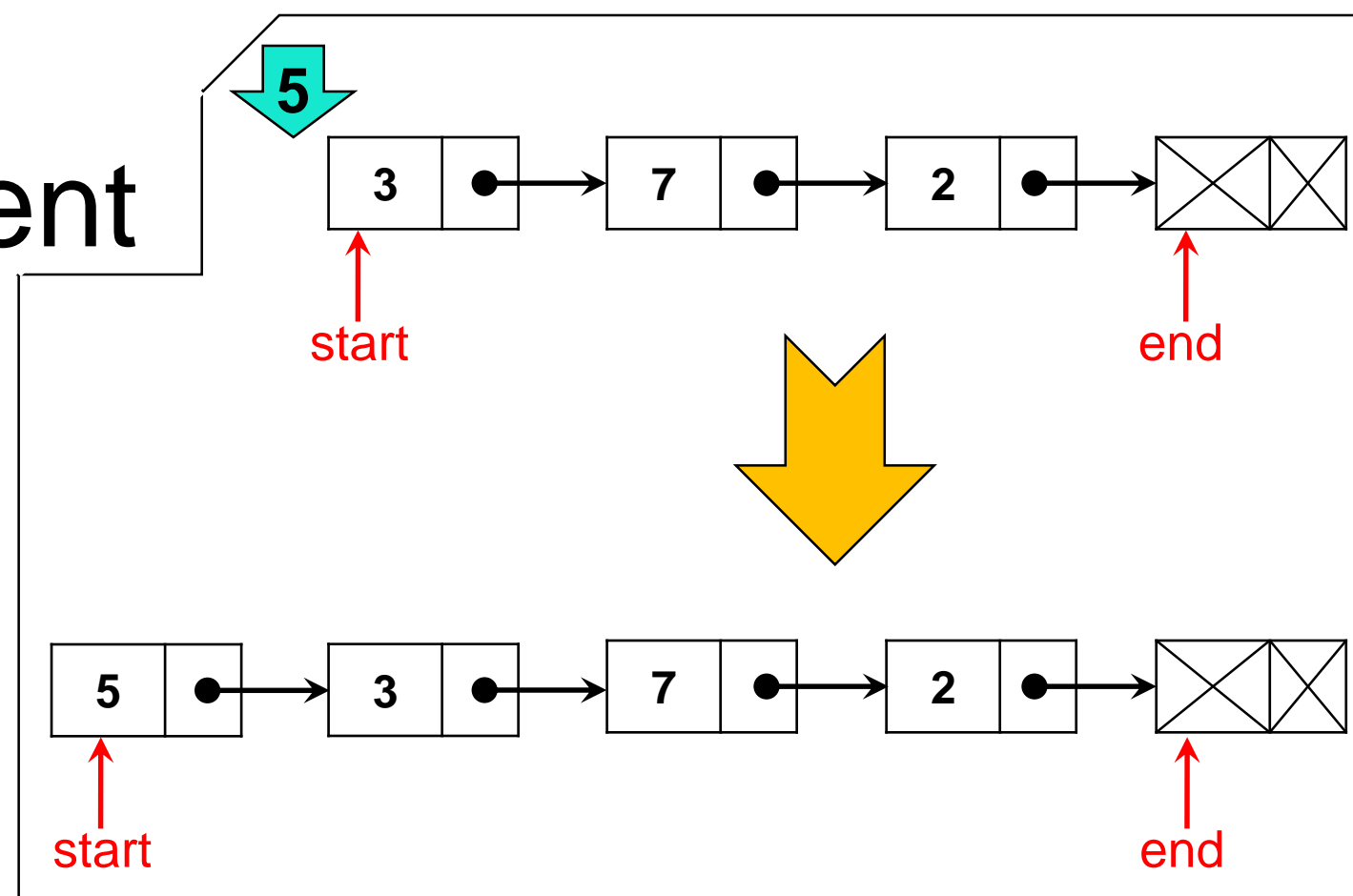
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- How do we add a node at the beginning of a list segment `[start, end)`?

1. create a new node
2. set its data field to the value to add
3. set its next field to `start`
4. set `start` to it

```
① list* l = alloc(list);  
② l->data = x;  
③ l->next = start;  
④ start = l;
```

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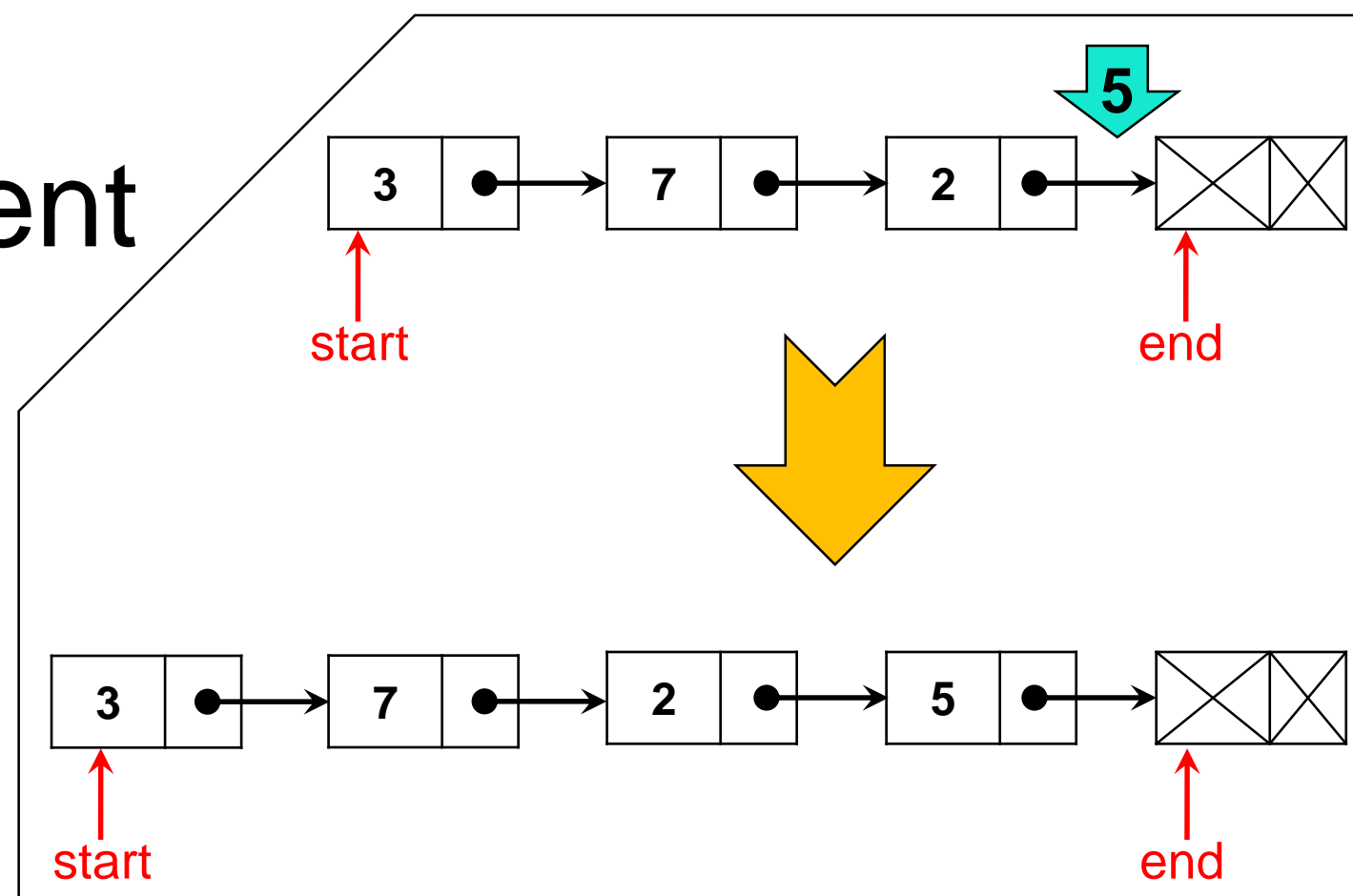


Note: we are adding a brand new node

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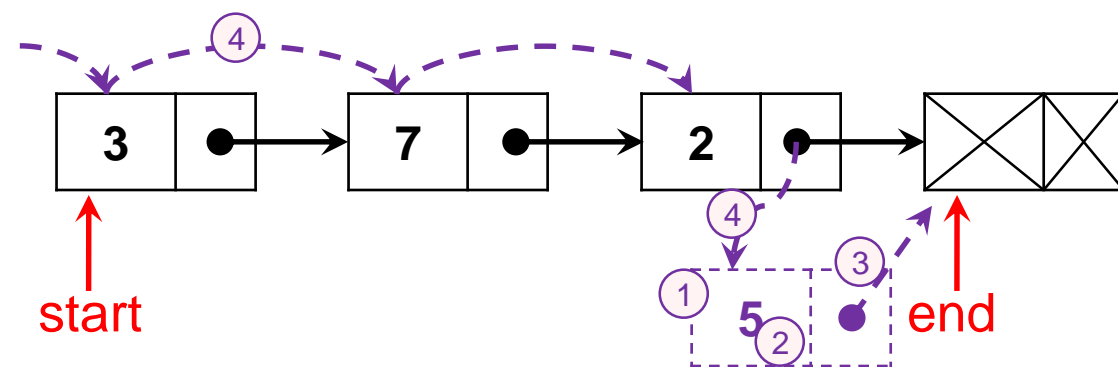
- How do we add a node as the last node of a list segment `[start, end)`?

1. create a new node
2. set its data field to the value to add
3. set its next field to `end`
4. point the old last node to it



```

① list* new_last = alloc(list);
② new_last->data = x;
③ new_last->next = end;
④ list* l = start;
   while (l->next != end)
       l = l->next;
   l->next = new_last;
    
```



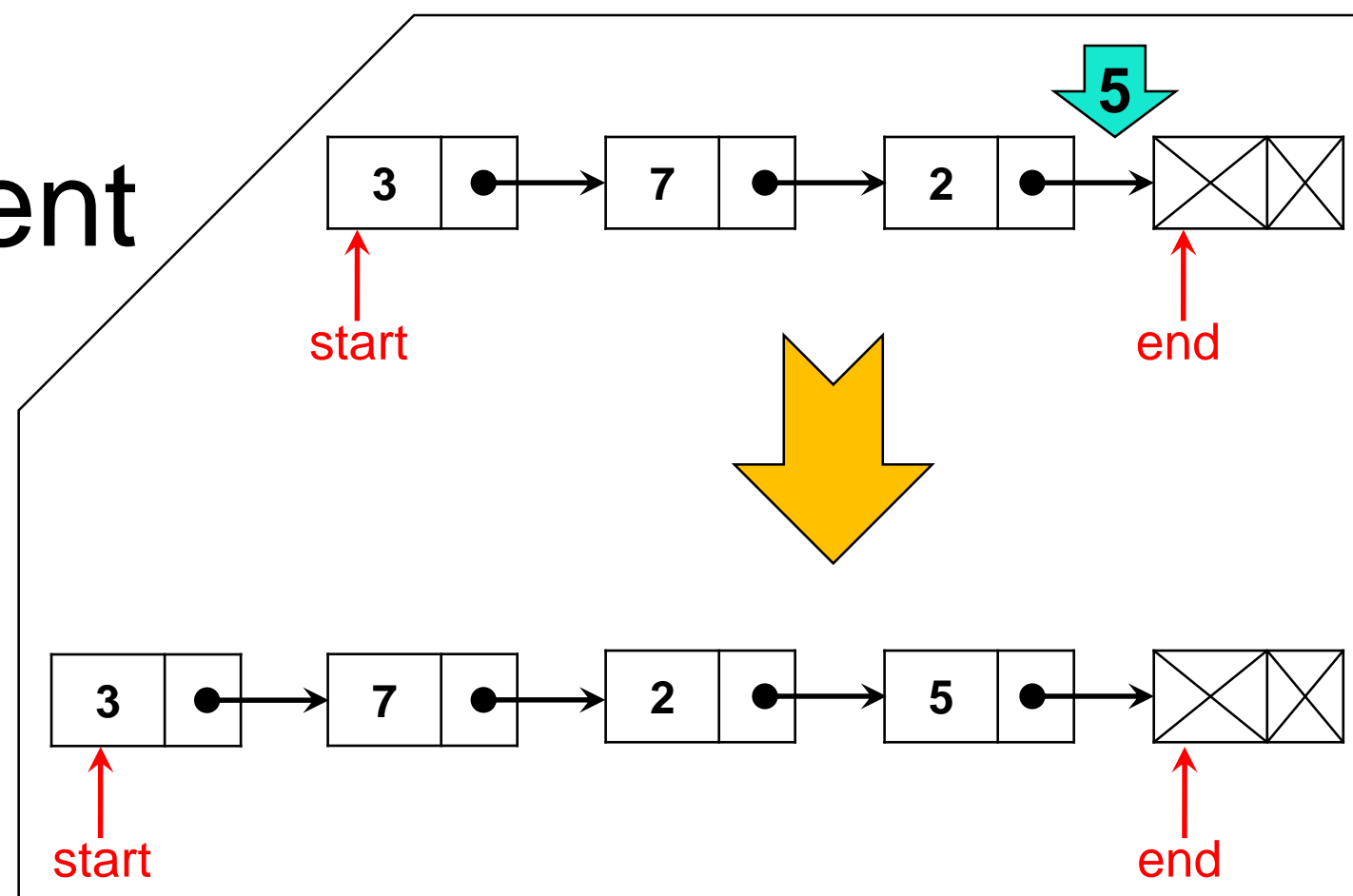
Note: we are adding a new last node, but we modify the next pointer of the old last node

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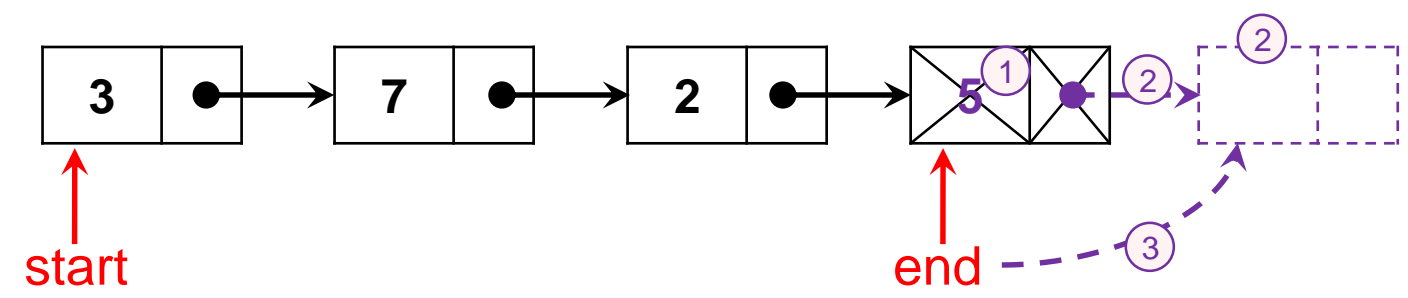


- *Can we do better?*

1. set the data field of `end` to the value to add
2. set its next field to a new dummy node
3. set `end` to it

```

① end->data = x;
② end->next = alloc(list);
③ end = end->next;
    
```



- **Complexity:** $O(1)$

Much better!

Note: we are using the old dummy node as the new last node, and creating a new dummy

Summary

| | <i>at the beginning</i> | <i>at the end</i> |
|-----------|-------------------------|-------------------|
| Inserting | $O(1)$ | $O(1)$ |
| Deleting | $O(1)$ | $O(n)$ |

The diagram illustrates the complexity goals for inserting and deleting elements at the beginning and end of a queue. A 'Good' box (cyan) points to the $O(1)$ complexities for inserting and deleting at the beginning, and the $O(1)$ complexity for deleting at the end. A 'Bad' box (red) points to the $O(n)$ complexity for deleting at the end.

- We will use this as a guide when implementing queues (and stacks) to achieve their complexity goals

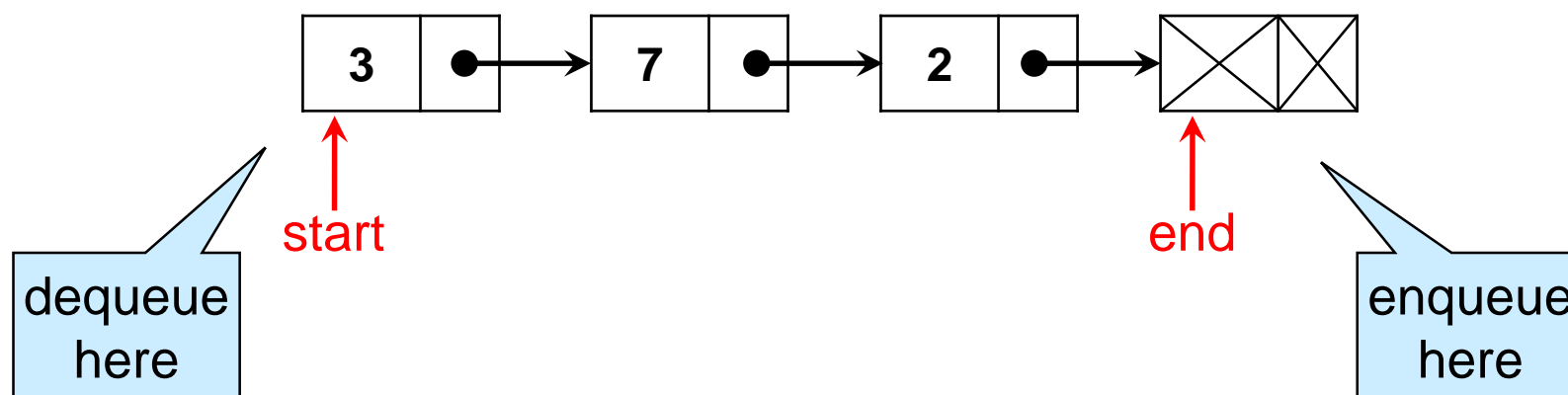
Implementing Queues

Queues as List Segments

- Implementing queues
 - We add and remove from *opposite ends*
 - Cost must be $O(1)$

| | <i>at the beginning</i> | <i>at the end</i> |
|-----------|-------------------------|-------------------|
| Inserting | $O(1)$ | $O(1)$ |
| Deleting | $O(1)$ | $O(n)$ |

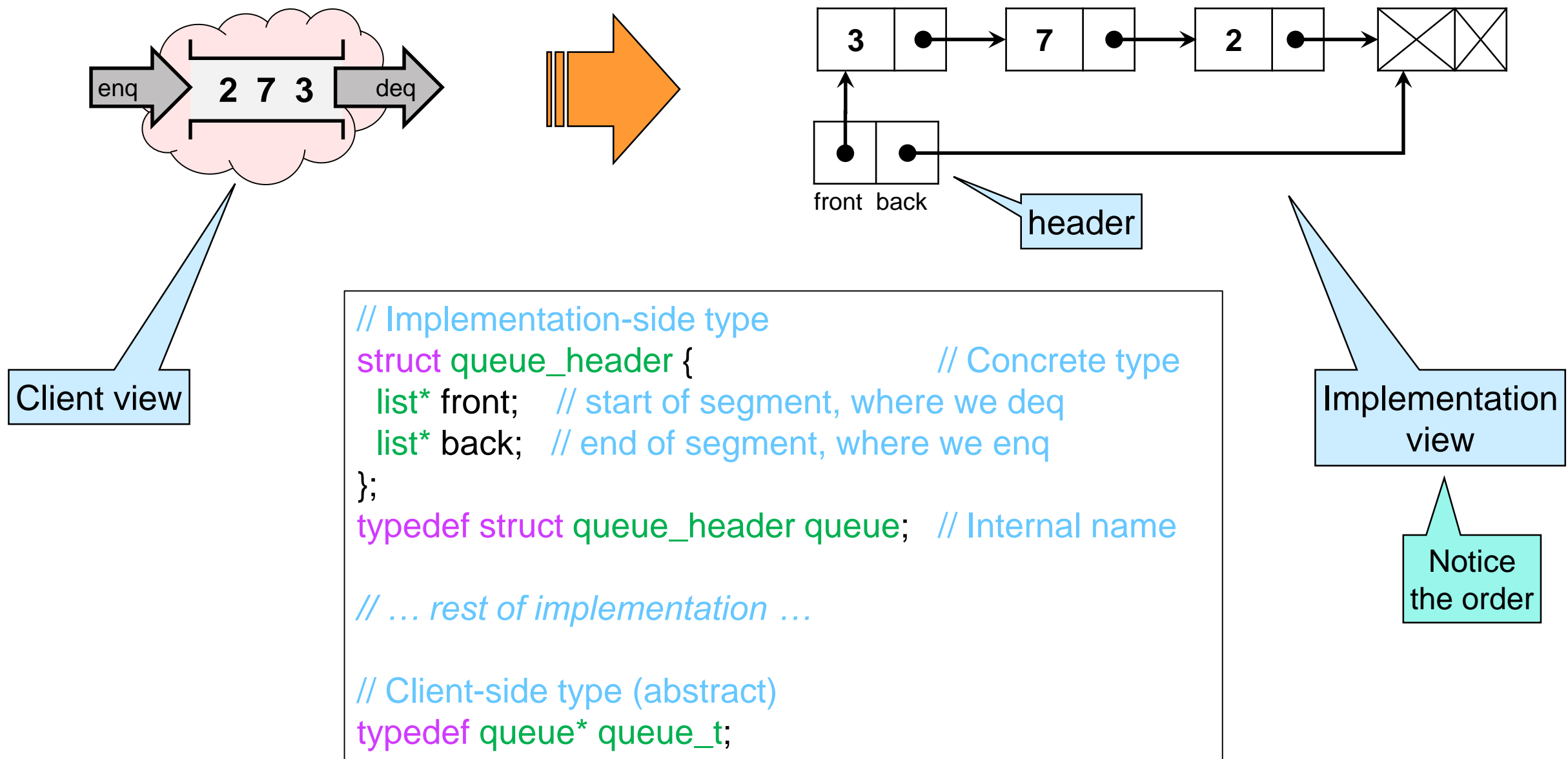
- The **front** of the queue is the **start** of the segment
 - because that's where we remove elements from
 - choosing the **end** would give **deq** cost $O(n)$
- The **back** of the queue is the **end** of the segment
 - the dummy node



Queues as List Segments

```
typedef struct list_node list;
struct list_node {
    int data;
    list* next;
};
```

- The **front** of the queue is the **start** of the segment
- The **back** of the queue is the **end** of the segment

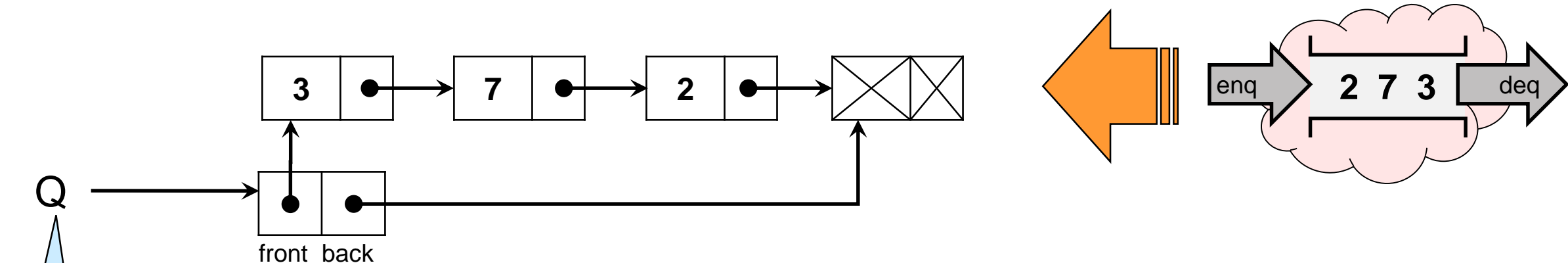


Queues as List Segments

```
typedef struct list_node list;  
struct list_node {  
    int data;  
    list* next;  
};
```

```
struct queue_header {  
    list* front;  
    list* back;  
};  
typedef struct queue_header queue;
```

- Internally, queues are values of type `queue*`
 - must be non-NULL
 - front and back fields must bracket a valid list segment



a queue

```
bool is_queue(queue* Q) {  
    return Q != NULL  
        && is_acyclic(Q->front)  
        && is_segment(Q->front, Q->back);  
}
```

Queues as List Segments

- Next we implement the operations exported by the interface

```
Queue Interface
// typedef _____* queue_t;

bool queue_empty(queue_t S) // O(1)
/*@requires S != NULL;      @*/;

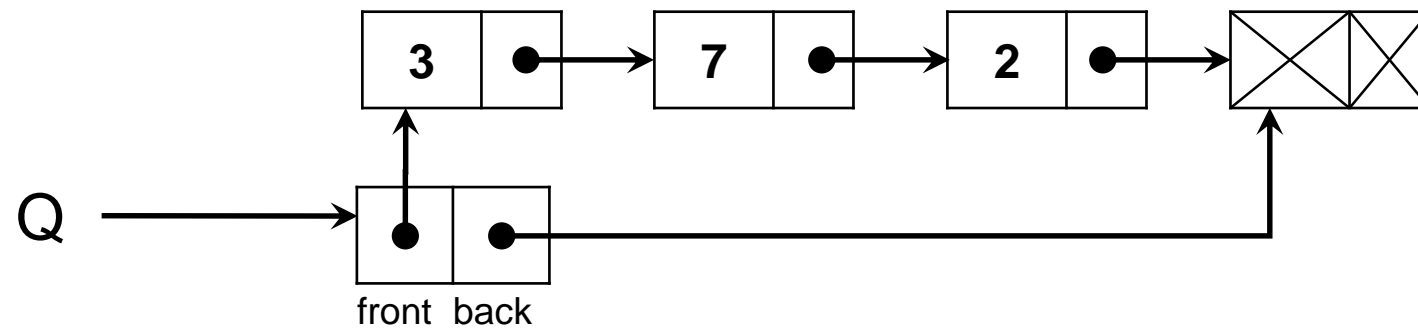
queue_t queue_new() // O(1)
/*@ensures \result != NULL;  @*/
/*@ensures queue_empty(\result); @*/;

void enq(queue_t S, int x) // O(1)
/*@requires S != NULL;      @*/
/*@ensures !queue_empty(S); @*/;

int deq(queue_t S) // O(1)
/*@requires S != NULL;      @*/
/*@requires !queue_empty(S); @*/;
```

Queues as List Segments

```
typedef struct list_node list;  
struct list_node {  
    int data;  
    list* next;  
};
```



```
struct queue_header {  
    list* front;  
    list* back;  
};  
typedef struct queue_header queue;
```

● Enqueuing

- add at the back

```
void enq(queue* Q, int x)  
//@requires is_queue(Q);  
//@ensures is_queue(Q);  
//@ensures !queue_empty(Q);  
{  
    Q->back->data = x;  
    Q->back->next = alloc(list);  
    Q->back = Q->back->next;  
}
```

● Dequeueing

- remove from the front

```
int deq(queue* Q)  
//@requires is_queue(Q);  
//@requires !queue_empty(Q);  
//@ensures is_queue(Q);  
{  
    int x = Q->front->data;  
    Q->front = Q->front->next;  
    return x;  
}
```

- This is the code we wrote earlier with

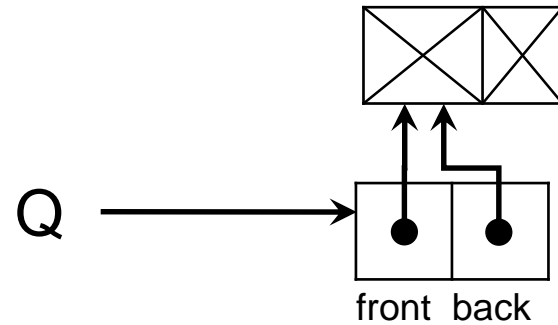
- `start` changed to `Q->front`
- `end` changed to `Q->back`

Cost is **O(1)**

Queues as List Segments

```
typedef struct list_node list;  
struct list_node {  
    int data;  
    list* next;  
};
```

```
struct queue_header {  
    list* front;  
    list* back;  
};  
typedef struct queue_header queue;
```



- The empty queue

- empty segment has **start** equal to **end**

- Creating a queue

- we create an empty queue

```
bool queue_empty(queue* Q)  
//@requires is_queue(Q);  
{  
    return Q->front == Q->back;  
}
```

```
queue* queue_new()  
//@ensures is_queue(\result);  
//@ensures queue_empty(\result);  
{  
    queue* Q = alloc(queue);  
    Q->front = alloc(list);  
    Q->back = Q->front;  
    return Q;  
}
```

Cost is **O(1)**

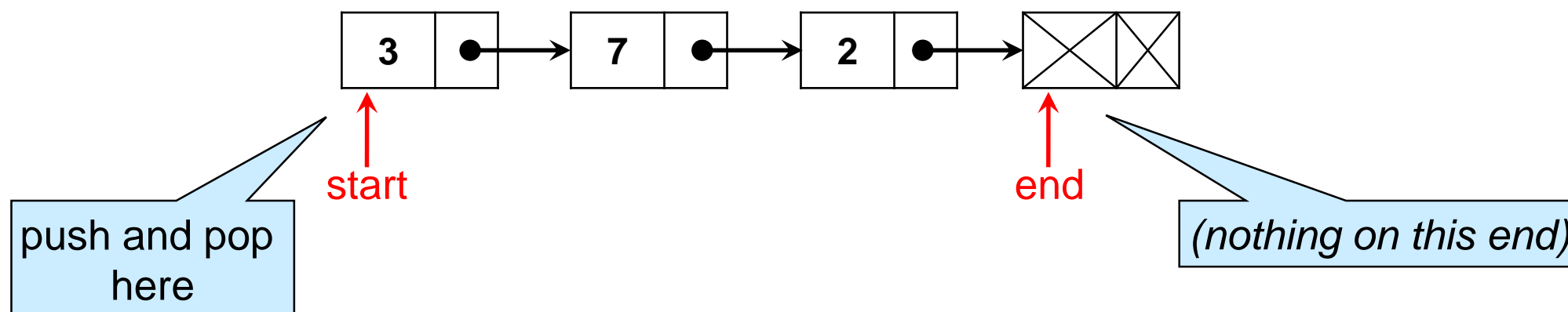
Implementing Stacks

Stacks as List Segments

- Implementing stacks
 - We add and remove from *the same end*
 - Cost must be $O(1)$

| | <i>at the beginning</i> | <i>at the end</i> |
|-----------|-------------------------|-------------------|
| Inserting | $O(1)$ | $O(1)$ |
| Deleting | $O(1)$ | $O(n)$ |

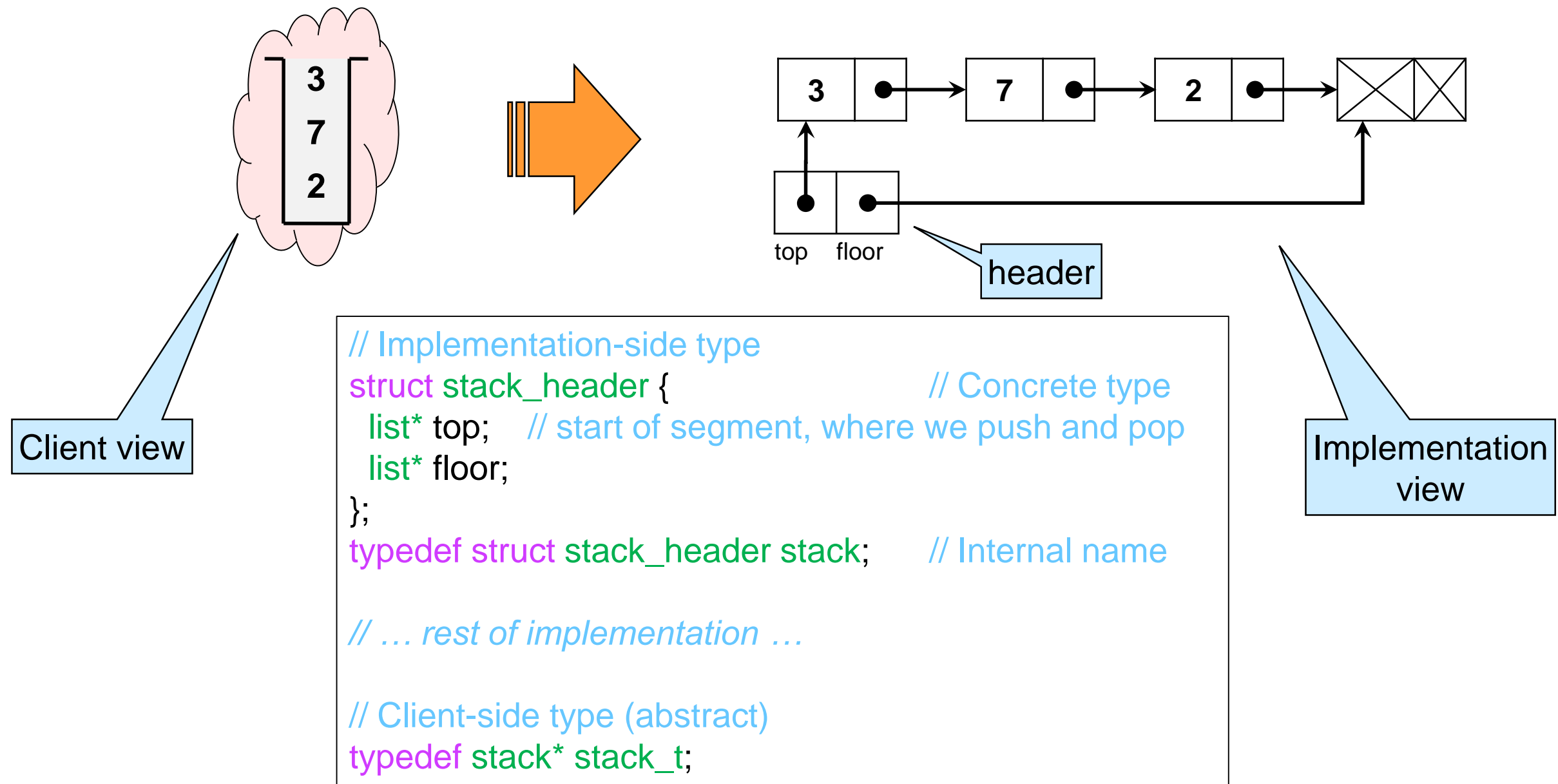
- The **top** of the stack is the **start** of the segment
 - because that's where we add and remove elements
 - choosing the **end** would give **pop** cost $O(n)$
- The **floor** of the stack is the **end** of the segment
 - the dummy node



Stack as List Segments

```
typedef struct list_node list;
struct list_node {
    int data;
    list* next;
};
```

- The **top** of the stack is the **start** of the segment



- The representation invariant **is_stack** is just like **is_queue**

Stacks as List Segments

- Next we implement the operations exported by the interface

```
Stack Interface
// typedef _____* stack_t;

bool stack_empty(stack_t S) // O(1)
/*@requires S != NULL;     @*/ ;

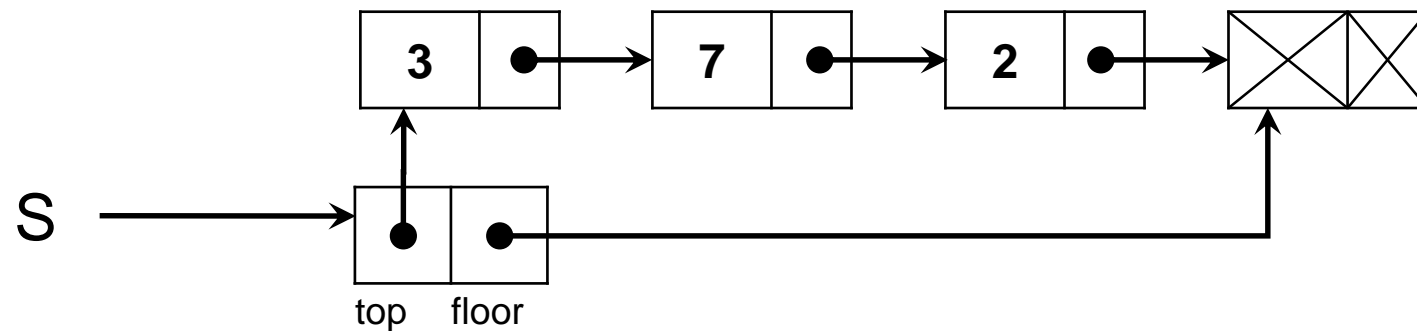
stack_t stack_new() // O(1)
/*@ensures \result != NULL; @*/
/*@ensures stack_empty(\result); @*/ ;

void push(stack_t S, int x) // O(1)
/*@requires S != NULL;     @*/
/*@ensures !stack_empty(S); @*/ ;

int pop(stack_t S) // O(1)
/*@requires S != NULL;     @*/
/*@requires !stack_empty(S); @*/ ;
```

Also updated
to **int** elements

Stacks as List Segments



```
typedef struct list_node list;
struct list_node {
    int data;
    list* next;
};
```

```
struct stack_header {
    list* top;
    list* floor;
};
typedef struct stack_header stack;
```

```
bool stack_empty(stack* S)
//@requires is_stack(S);
{
    return S->top == S->floor;
}
```

```
stack* stack_new()
//@ensures is_stack(\result);
//@ensures stack_empty(\result);
{
    stack* S = alloc(stack);
    S->top = alloc(list);
    S->floor = S->top;
    return S;
}
```

All O(1)

Same code we wrote for queues
with **front/back** replaced with **top/floor**

```
int pop(stack* S)
//@requires is_stack(S);
//@requires !stack_empty(S);
//@ensures is_stack(S);
{
    int x = S->top->data;
    S->top = S->top->next;
    return x;
}
```

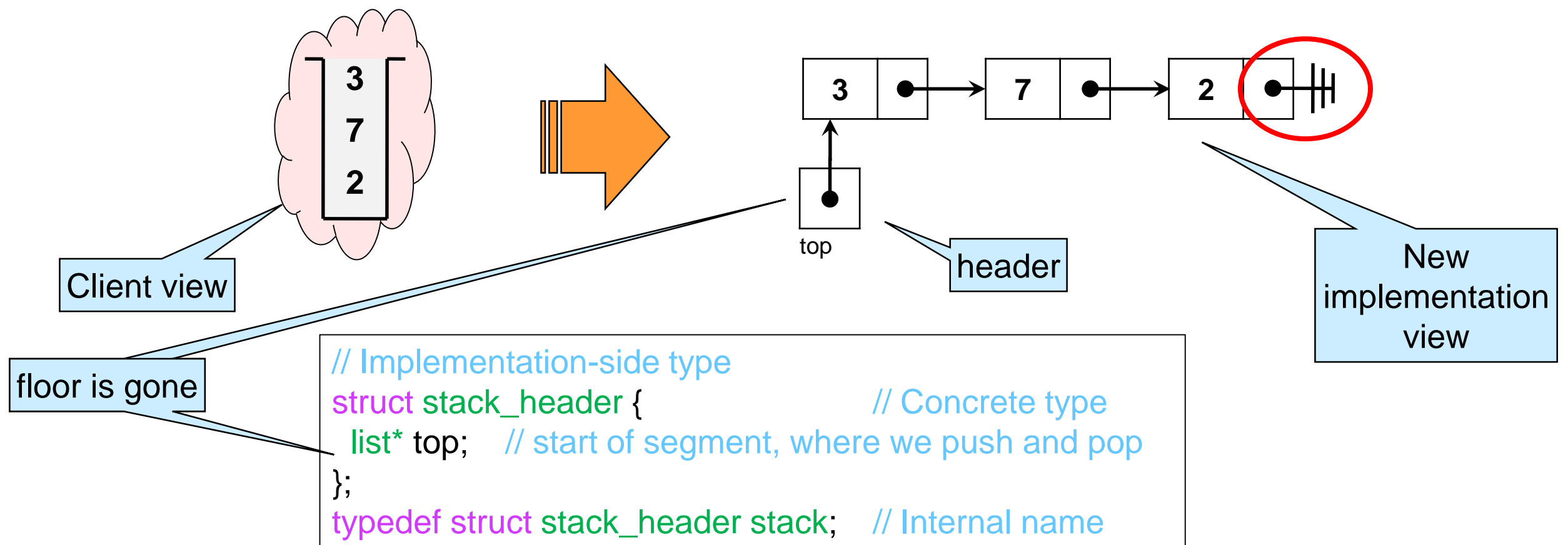
```
void push(stack* S, int x)
//@requires is_stack(S);
//@ensures is_stack(S);
//@ensures !stack_empty(S);
{
    list* l = alloc(list);
    l->data = x;
    l->next = S->top;
    S->top = l;
}
```

Code we wrote earlier
with **start** replaced with **S->top**

Another Implementation of Stacks

- The **floor** field goes mostly unused
 - only to check that a stack is empty
- We can get rid of it ...
 - ... if we represent stacks as **NULL-terminated lists**

This is a great idea if we don't need direct access to the end of the list

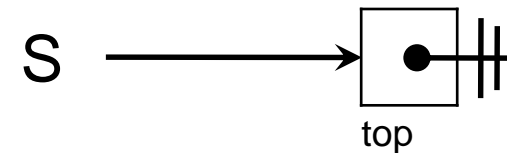


Another Implementation of Stacks

- Valid stacks are
 - non-NULL and
 - the top field is a NULL-terminated list
 - i.e., is acyclic

```
bool is_stack(stack* S) {  
    return S != NULL  
        && is_acyclic(S->top);  
}
```

- The empty stack has NULL in the top field



```
bool stack_empty(stack* S)  
//@requires is_stack(S);  
{  
    return S->top == NULL;  
}
```

```
stack* stack_new()  
//@ensures is_stack(\result);  
//@ensures stack_empty(\result);  
{  
    stack* S = alloc(stack);  
    S->top = NULL;  
    return S;  
}
```

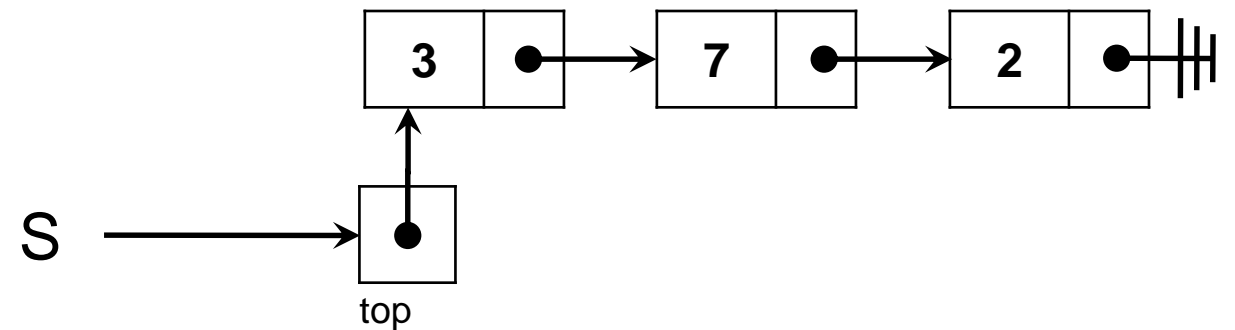
- Nothing else changes!

Sharing

Stacks without Headers

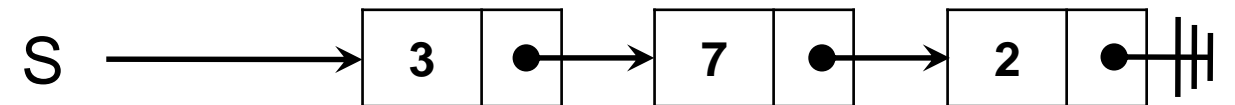
- Since the header contains just one field,

```
struct stack_header {  
    list* top;  
};  
typedef struct stack_header stack;
```



- why not get rid of it?

```
typedef list* stack;
```

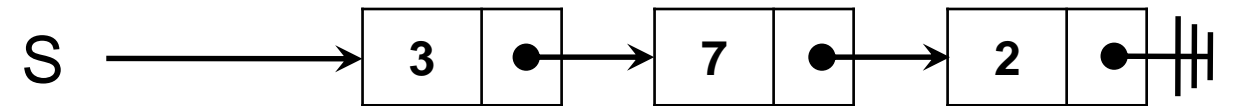


- **push** and **pop** are now incorrect
 - ❑ they modify the local stack variable but not the caller's
 - ❑ aliasing!
- it breaks the interface: NULL is now the empty stack



Stacks without Headers

```
typedef list* stack;
```



- But we're fine if we always *return* the updated stack

```
Functional stack Interface  
// typedef _____* stack_t;  
  
bool stack_empty(stack_t S); // O(1)  
  
stack_t stack_new() // O(1)  
/*@ensures stack_empty(\result); @*/  
  
stack_t push(stack_t S, int x) // O(1)  
/*@ensures !stack_empty(\result); @*/  
  
stack_t pop(stack_t S, int* res) // O(1)  
/*@requires !stack_empty(S); @*/
```

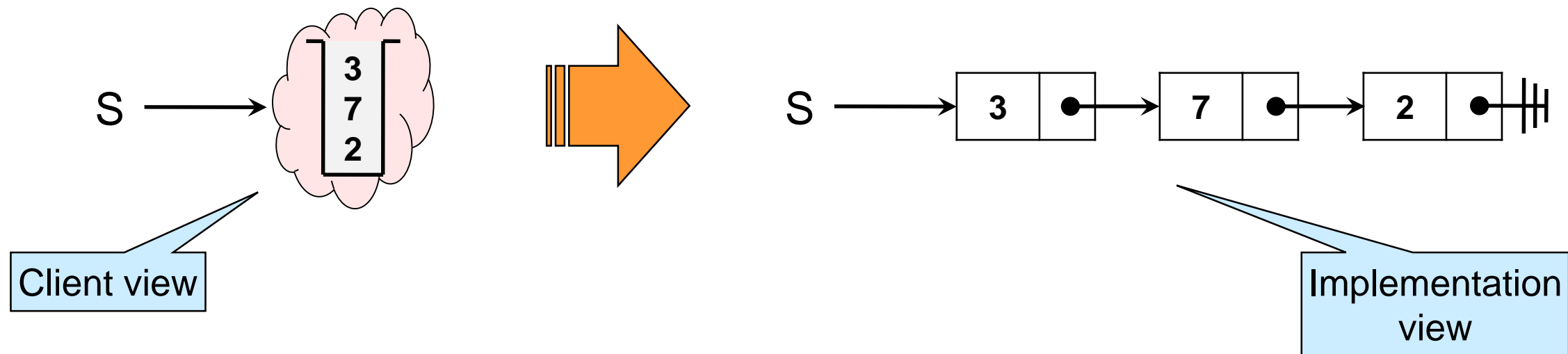
No more NULL checks

Our trick to return two outputs

- Functions transform an input stack into an output stack
 - this is a **functional interface**

Functional Stacks

- How to create this stack?



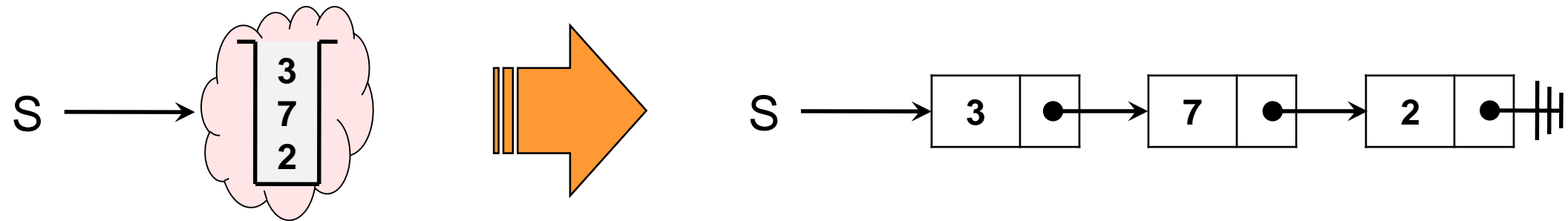
```
stack_t S = stack_new();  
S = push(S, 2);  
S = push(S, 7);  
S = push(S, 3);
```

➤ equivalently

```
stack_t S = push(push(push(stack_new(), 2), 7), 3);
```

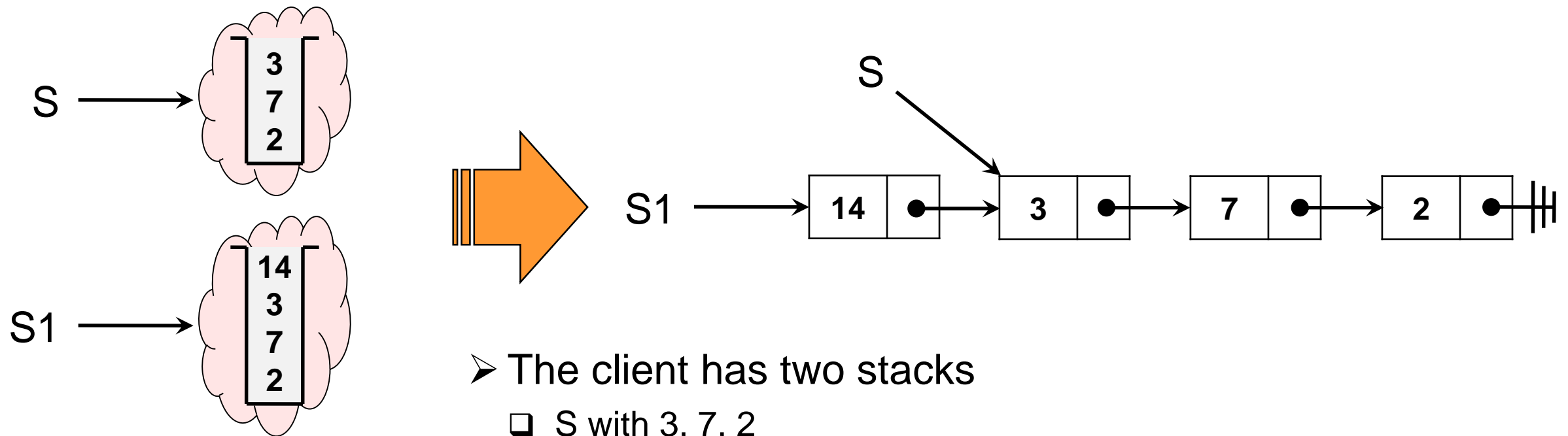
❑ *but harder to read*

Functional Stacks



○ What if now we do

```
stack_t S1 = push(S, 14);
```



- The client has two stacks
 - ❑ S with 3, 7, 2
 - ❑ S1 with 14, 3, 7, 2
- In the implementation, they **share** a suffix
 - ❑ the linked list 3, 7, 2 is shared

Sharing

- A functional stack library supports sharing list suffixes
 - This takes up much less space than our earlier implementation!
 - The client has no idea

- What if we now do this?

```
stack_t S2 = push(S, 42);  
stack_t S3 = pop(S, x_ptr);
```

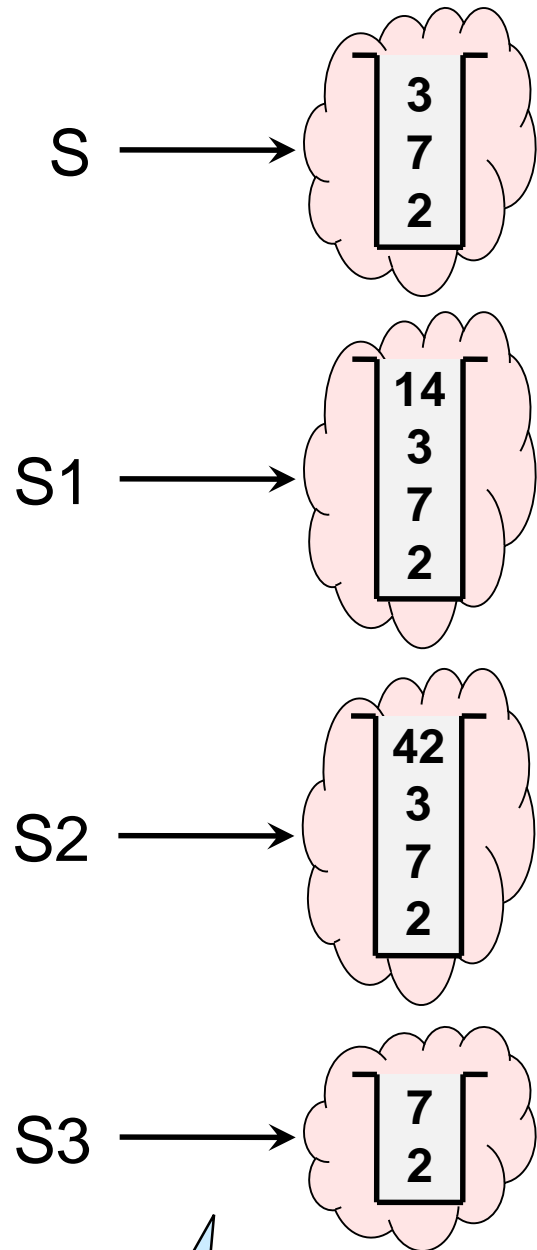
The variable **S**
is still around

Sharing

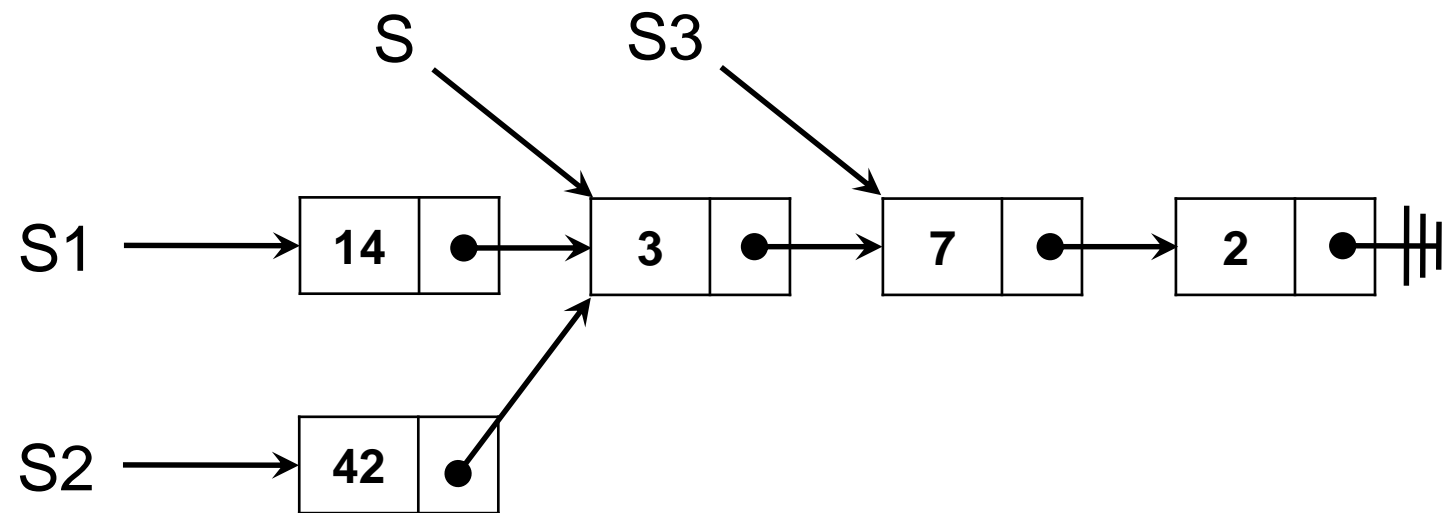
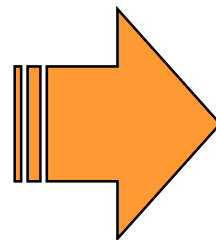
- What if we now do

```
stack_t S2 = push(S, 42);  
stack_t S3 = pop(S, x_ptr);
```

?



Client view



Implementation view

○ Lots more sharing!

Sharing

- If sharing is so great, why don't our libraries always use it?
 - It takes a change of mindset
 - using functions that don't modify data structures in place
 - A lot of code we write uses one instance of a data structure
 - So what? Sharing wouldn't hurt anyway
 - Good point
 - It doesn't work for all data structures
 - Try it on queues!
- Functional programming languages rely heavily on sharing

Wrap Up

What have we done?

- We introduced **linked lists** and two common ways to use them
 - NULL-terminated linked lists
 - list segments
- We learned about list manipulations and their complexity
- We used them to implement stacks and queues
- We talked about sharing

Linked Lists vs. Arrays

- How do they compare?

| | <i>Arrays (unsorted)</i> | <i>Linked lists</i> |
|-------------|--|---|
| Pros | <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ $O(1)$ access○ built-in | <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ self-resizing○ $O(1)$ insertion*○ $O(1)$ deletion* <p>* <i>Given the right pointers</i></p> |
| Cons | <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ fixed size○ $O(n)$ insertion | <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ $O(n)$ access○ no special syntax |

- Question to help decide which one to use:
 - Can we anticipate the size we need?
 - Do they allow us to achieve our target complexity?