

# 8 Hashing: Open addressing

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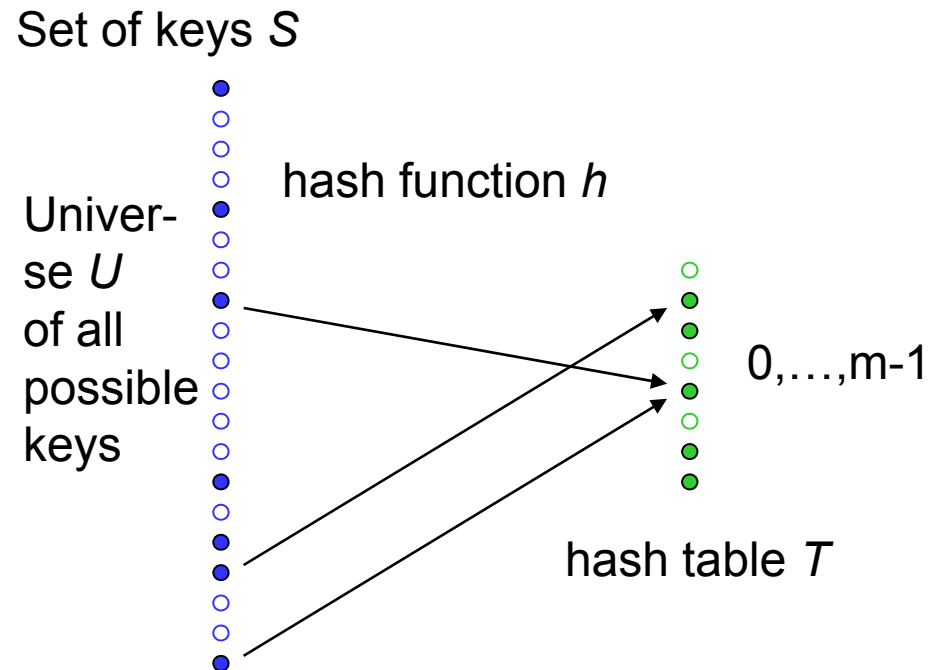
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# Hashing: General Framework



$$(H(u) \subseteq [-2^{31}, 2^{31}])$$

$h(s)$  = hash address

$h(s) = h(s') \Leftrightarrow s$  and  $s'$  are **synonyms** with respect to  $h$   
**address collision**

# Possible ways of treating collisions



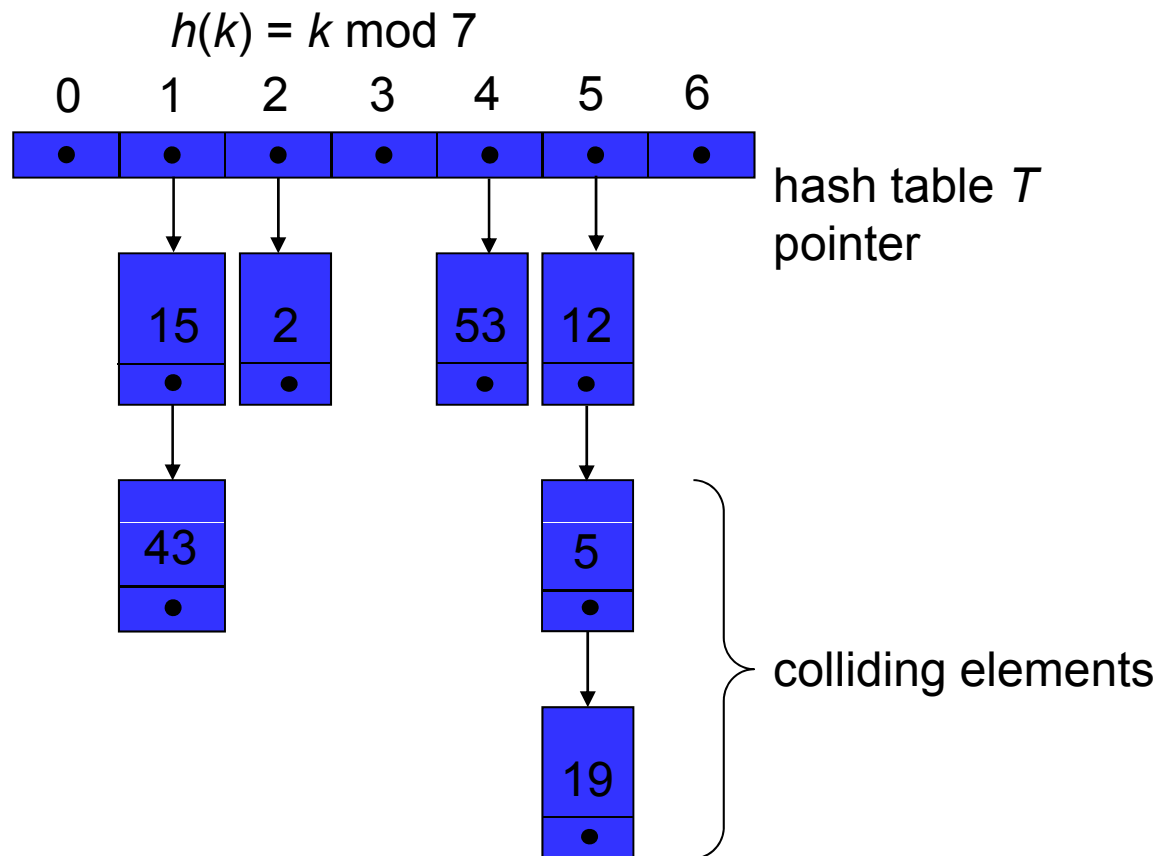
## Treatment of collisions:

- Collisions are treated differently in different methods.
- A data set with key  $s$  is called a **colliding element** if bucket  $B_{h(s)}$  is already taken by another data set.
- What can we do with colliding elements?
  1. **Chaining**: Implement the buckets as linked lists. Colliding elements are stored in these lists.
  2. **Open Addressing**: Colliding elements are stored in other vacant buckets. During storage and lookup, these are found through so-called **probing**.

# Hashing by chaining



Keys are stored in **overflow lists**



This type of chaining is also known as **direct chaining**.

# Open addressing



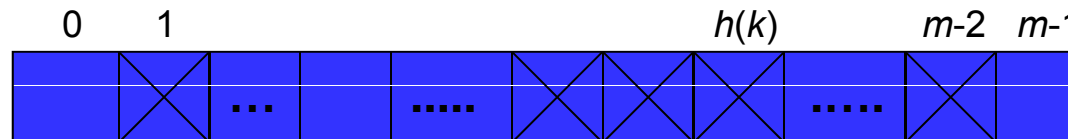
## Idea:

Store colliding elements in vacant (“open”) buckets of the hash table  
If  $T[h(k)]$  is taken, find a different bucket for  $k$  according to a **fixed rule**

## Example:

Consider the bucket with the next smaller index:

$$(h(k) - 1) \bmod m$$



## General:

Consider the sequence

$$(h(k) - j) \bmod m$$

$$j = 0, \dots, m-1$$

# Probe sequence



Even more general:

Consider the **probe sequence**

$$(h(k) - s(j,k)) \bmod m$$

$j = 0, \dots, m-1$ , for a given function  $s(j,k)$

**Examples** for the function

$$s(j, k) = j \quad (\text{linear probing})$$

$$s(j, k) = (-1)^j * \left\lceil \frac{j}{2} \right\rceil^2 \quad (\text{quadratic probing})$$

$$s(j, k) = j * h'(k) \quad (\text{double hashing})$$

# Probe sequence



## Properties of $s(j,k)$

Sequence

$$(h(k) - s(0,k)) \bmod m,$$

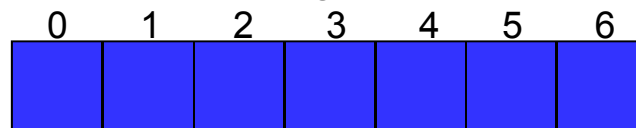
$$(h(k) - s(1,k)) \bmod m,$$

$$(h(k) - s(m-2,k)) \bmod m,$$

$$(h(k) - s(m-1,k)) \bmod m$$

should result in a **permutation of  $0, \dots, m-1$** .

## Example: Quadratic probing



$$h(11) = 4$$

## Critical:

$$s(j,k) = -1, 1, -4, 4, -9, 9$$

**Deletion** of data sets  $\rightarrow$  **mark** as deleted

(Insert 4, 18, 25; delete 4; lookup 18, 25)

# Open addressing



```
class OpenHashTable extends HashTable {
    // in HashTable: TableEntry [] T;
    private int [] tag;
    static final int EMPTY = 0;
    static final int OCCUPIED = 1;
    static final int DELETED = 2;
    // Constructor
    OpenHashTable (int capacity) {
        super(capacity);
        tag = new int [capacity];
        for (int i = 0; i < capacity; i++) {
            tag[i] = EMPTY;
        }
    }
    // The hash function
    protected int h (Object key) {...}
    // Function s for probe sequence
    protected int s (int j, Object key) {
        // quadratic probing
        if (j % 2 == 0)
            return ((j + 1) / 2) * ((j + 1) / 2);
        else
            return -((j + 1) / 2) * ((j + 1) / 2);
    }
}
```



# Open addressing - lookup



```
public int searchIndex (Object key) {
    /* searches for an entry with the given key in the hash table and
       returns the respective index or -1 */
    int i = h(key);
    int j = 1; // next index of probing sequence
    while (tag[i] != EMPTY &&!key.equals(T[i].key)){
        // Next entry in probing sequence
        i = (h(key) - s(j++, key)) % capacity;
        if (i < 0)
            i = i + capacity;
    }
    if (key.equals(T[i].key) && tag[i] == OCCUPIED)
        return i;
    else
        return -1;
}

public Object search (Object key) {
    /* searches for an entry with the given key in the hash table and
       returns the respective value or NULL */
    int i = searchIndex (key);
    if (i >= 0)
        return T[i].value;
    else
        return null;
}
```

# Open addressing - insert



```
public void insert (Object key, Object value) {
    // inserts an entry with the given key and value
    int j = 1; // next index of probing sequence
    int i = h(key);
    while (tag[i] == OCCUPIED) {
        i = (h(key) - s(j++, key)) % capacity;
        if (i < 0)
            i = i + capacity;
    }
    T[i] = new TableEntry(key, value);
    tag[i] = OCCUPIED;
}
```

# Open addressing - delete



```
public void delete (Object key) {  
    // deletes entry with given key from the hash table  
    int i = searchIndex(key);  
    if (i >= 0) {  
        // Successful search  
        tag[i] = DELETED;  
    }  
}
```

# Test program



```
public class OpenHashingTest {
    public static void main(String args[]) {
        Integer[] t= new Integer[args.length];
        for (int i = 0; i < args.length; i++)
            t[i] = Integer.valueOf(args[i]);
        OpenHashTable h = new OpenHashTable (7);
        for (int i = 0; i <= t.length - 1; i++) {
            h.insert(t[i], null);#
            h.printTable ();
        }
        h.delete(t[0]); h.delete(t[1]);
        h.delete(t[6]); h.printTable();
    }
}
```

**Call:**

```
java OpenHashingTest 12 53 5 15 2 19 43
```

**Output** (quadratic probing):

```
[ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] (12) [ ]
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# Probe sequences – linear probing



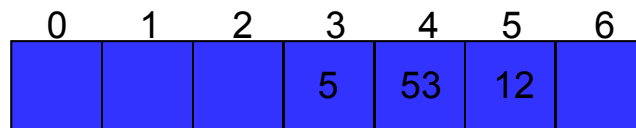
$$s(j,k) = j$$

Probe sequence for  $k$ :

$$h(k), h(k)-1, \dots, 0, m-1, \dots, h(k)+1,$$

Problem:

“primary clustering”



$Pr$  (next object ends at position 2) =  $4/7$

$Pr$  (next object ends at position 1) =  $1/7$

Long chains are extended with higher probability than short ones.

# Efficiency of linear probing



Successful search:

$$C_n \approx \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 + \frac{1}{(1-\alpha)} \right)$$

Failed search:

$$C'_n \approx \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 + \frac{1}{(1-\alpha)^2} \right)$$

$\alpha$	$C_n$ (successful)	$C'_n$ (failed)
0.50	1.5	2.5
0.90	5.5	50.5
0.95	10.5	200.5
1.00	-	-

Efficiency of linear probing **decreases drastically** as soon as the **load factor  $\alpha$**  gets close to **the value 1**.

# Quadratic probing



$$s(j,k) = (-1)^j * \left\lceil \frac{j}{2} \right\rceil^2$$

Probe sequence for  $k$ :

$$h(k), h(k)+1, h(k)-1, h(k)+4, \dots$$

Permutation, if  $m = 4l + 3$  is prime.

**Problem:** secondary clustering, i.e. two **synonyms**  $k$  and  $k'$  always run through the **same probe sequence**.

# Efficiency of quadratic probing



Successful search:

$$C_n \approx 1 - \frac{\alpha}{2} + \ln\left(\frac{1}{1-\alpha}\right)$$

Failed search:

$$C'_n \approx \frac{1}{1-\alpha} - \alpha + \ln\left(\frac{1}{1-\alpha}\right)$$

$\alpha$	$C_n$ (successful)	$C'_n$ (failed)
0.50	1.44	2.19
0.90	2.85	11.40
0.95	3.52	22.05
1.00	-	-



# Uniform probing



$$s(j,k) = \pi_k(j)$$

$\pi_k$  one of the  $m!$  permutations of  $\{0, \dots, m-1\}$

- only depends on  $k$
- same probability for each permutation

$$C'_n \leq \frac{1}{1-\alpha}$$

$$C_n \approx \frac{1}{\alpha} * \ln \left( \frac{1}{(1-\alpha)} \right)$$

$\alpha$	$C_n$ (successful)	$C'_n$ (failed)
0.50	1.39	2
0.90	2.56	10
0.95	3.15	20
1.00	-	-

# Random probing



Realization of uniform probing is very complex.

Alternative:

Random probing

$s(j,k)$  = random number depending on  $k$

$s(j,k) = s(j',k)$  possible, but improbable

# Double hashing



Idea: Choose another hash function  $h'$

$$s(j,k) = j \cdot h'(k)$$

Probe sequence for  $k$ :

$$h(k), h(k)-h'(k), h(k)-2h'(k), \dots$$

Requirement:

Probing sequence must correspond to a **permutation** of the hash addresses.

Hence:

$h'(k) \neq 0$  and  $h'(k)$  no factor of  $m$ , i.e.  $h'(k)$  does not divide  $m$ .

Example:

$$h'(k) = 1 + (k \bmod (m-2))$$

# Example

Hash functions:  $h(k) = k \bmod 7$   
 $h'(k) = 1 + k \bmod 5$

Insert sequence: 15, 22, 1, 29, 26

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	
	15						$h'(22) = 3$
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	
	15				22		$h'(1) = 2$
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	
	15				22	1	$h'(29) = 5$
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	
	15		29		22	1	$h'(26) = 2$

In this example we can do with a single probing step almost every time.

- Double hashing is **as efficient as uniform probing**.
- Double hashing is **simpler to implement**.