

Lecture 11: Hash Tables



Logistics

- Point Solutions App
 - Session ID: **database**
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Recap

- Database Configuration
- Indexing in C++

Lecture Overview

- Hash Tables
- Hash Function
- Deletion and Position Tracking
- Quadratic Probing
- Double Hashing

Hash Table



Hash Table

Think of a hash table like a cabinet of drawers.
Each drawer can hold a piece of paper with the **key** and **associated value**.

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
					15				
					Apple				



DIRECT ACCESS USING HASH FUNCTION

Inserting Key-Value Pair

Insert (15, Apple)

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
					15				
					Apple				



$\text{HASH}(\text{KEY}) = \text{KEY} \% 10 = 15 \% 10 = 5$ (since $15 = 10 * 1 + 5$)

Inserting Key-Value Pair

Insert (26, Grape)

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
					15	26			
					Apple	Grape			



$$\text{HASH}(\text{KEY}) = \text{KEY} \% 10 = 26 \% 10 = 6 \text{ (since } 26 = 10 * 2 + 6 \text{)}$$

Inserting Key-Value Pair with Collision

Insert (56, Kiwi)

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
					15	26	56		
					Apple	Grape	Kiwi		



$$\text{HASH}(\text{KEY}) = \text{KEY} \% 10 = 56 \% 10 = 6$$

Finding Key-Value Pair

Find value associated with key 15 = Apple

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
					15	26	56		
					Apple	Grape	Kiwi		



$$\text{HASH}(\text{KEY}) = \text{KEY} \% 10 = 15 \% 10 = 5$$

Finding Key-Value Pair

Find value associated with key 56 = Kiwi

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
					15	26	56		
					Apple	Grape	Kiwi		



$$\text{HASH}(\text{KEY}) = \text{KEY} \% 10 = 56 \% 10 = 6$$

Finding Key-Value Pair

Find value associated with key 86 = KEY NOT FOUND

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
					15	26	56		
					Apple	Grape	Kiwi		



$$\text{HASH}(\text{KEY}) = \text{KEY} \% 10 = 86 \% 10 = 6$$

Hash Function



Hash Function

Hash function maps keys to slots in the hash table

```
size_t hashFunction(int key) {  
    return key % totalSlots; // Our simple formula  
}
```

$$\text{HASH}(\text{KEY}) = \text{KEY} \% \text{TABLE_SIZE}$$

Collision Handling

Linear Probing

Move to the next available slot until we find one empty.

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
80	11				15	26	56	18	79
Lime	Date				Apple	Grape	Kiwi	Fig	Pear



If slot 8 is taken, check slot 9, then 0, 1, and so on.

"Linear" Probing

Formula to find the index of the next slot I after K "probes" is "linear" with respect to K.

$$\text{INDEX } I = (\text{HASH}(\text{KEY}) + K) \% \text{TABLE_SIZE}$$

$$\text{HASH}(\text{KEY}) = \text{KEY} \% \text{TABLE_SIZE}$$

HashEntry Struct

HashEntry Struct

Represents a piece of paper containing **key** and **value**.

```
struct HashEntry {  
    int key, value;  
    HashEntry(int k, int v) : key(k), value(v) {}  
};
```


HashIndex

HashTable is simply an array of drawers. Each drawer can either hold a `HashEntry` or be **empty** (indicating no value).

```
class HashIndex {  
    std::vector<std::optional<HashEntry>> hashTable;  
  
    static const size_t capacity = 100; // Hard-coded capacity  
    HashIndex() { hashTable.resize(capacity); }  
};
```

Inserting Key-Value Pair

insertOrUpdate

Uses linear probing to find the next available slot for insertion or locate an existing key for updating.

```
void insertOrUpdate(int key, int value) {
    size_t index = hashFunction(key);
    do {
        if (!hashTable[index]) {
            hashTable[index] = HashEntry{key, value, true}; // Insert new entry
            break;
        } else if (hashTable[index]->key == key) {
            hashTable[index]->value += value; // Update existing entry
            break;
        }
        index = (index + 1) % capacity; // Linear probing to next slot
    } while (index != originalIndex); // Returned to starting point
}
```


Finding Key-Value Pair

getValue

The retrieval process employs linear probing as well to navigate through potential collision sequences.

```
int getValue(int key) const {  
    size_t index = hashFunction(key);  
    do {  
        if (hashTable[index] && hashTable[index]->key == key) {  
            return hashTable[index]->value; // Key found  
        }  
        index = (index + 1) % capacity; // Continue probing  
    } while (index != originalIndex);  
    return -1; // Key not found  
}
```

Operation Complexity

N = Number of key-value pairs in the hash table.

	NO/FEW COLLISIONS	LOTS OF COLLISIONS
INSERT	$O(1)$	$O(N)$
FIND	$O(1)$	$O(N)$

Clustering Problem with High Collision Rates

Bad Hash Function: $\text{HASH}(\text{KEY}) = 5$

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
					15	26	56		
					Apple	Grape	Kiwi		



$\text{HASH}(\text{KEY}) = 5$

Deletion & Position Tracking



Finding key 32

Find value associated with key 32 = Fig

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
		2	13	34	32				
		Apple	Grape	Kiwi	Fig				



$$\text{HASH}(\text{KEY}) = \text{KEY} \% 10 = 32 \% 10 = 2$$

Deletion

Delete key 13

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
		2	13	34	32				
		Apple	Grape	Kiwi	Fig				



$$\text{HASH}(\text{KEY}) = \text{KEY} \% 10 = 13 \% 10 = 3$$

Deletion

Delete key 13

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
		2		34	32				
		Apple		Kiwi	Fig				



$$\text{HASH}(\text{KEY}) = \text{KEY} \% 10 = 13 \% 10 = 3$$

Finding key 32 After Deletion

Find value associated with key 32 = Not Found

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
		2		34	32				
		Apple		Kiwi	Fig				



$$\text{HASH}(\text{KEY}) = \text{KEY} \% 10 = 32 \% 10 = 2$$

Solution #1: Rehashing All Keys

Insert all keys into another empty hash table.

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
		2	32	34					
		Apple	Fig	Kiwi					

$$\text{HASH}(\text{KEY}) = \text{KEY} \% 10$$

Solution #2: Lazy Deletion

Mark a hash entry as deleted without removing it.

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
		2	13	34	32				
		Apple	Grape	Kiwi	Fig				
1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1

Finding key 32 After Deletion

Find value associated with key 32 = Fig

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
		2	13	34	32				
		Apple	Grape	Kiwi	Fig				
1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1



$$\text{HASH}(\text{KEY}) = \text{KEY} \% 10 = 32 \% 10 = 2$$

Lazy Deletion using Exists Flag

```
struct HashEntry {  
    int key;  
    int value;  
    bool exists; // Indicates if the entry is active or deleted  
  
    // Updated constructor includes position  
    HashEntry(int k, int v, int pos) : key(k), value(v), exists(true) {}  
};
```


Vector to Static-Sized Array

```
class HashIndex {  
private:  
    static const size_t capacity = 100; // Hard-coded capacity  
    HashEntry hashTable[capacity];      // Static-sized array  
};
```

Position Tracking

Position is used for tracking the location of each entry within the hash table.

```
struct HashEntry {  
    int key;  
    int value;  
    int position; // Tracks the final position in the array  
    bool exists; // Indicates if the entry is active  
  
    // Updated constructor includes position  
    HashEntry(int k, int v, int pos)  
        : key(k), value(v), position(pos), exists(true) {}  
};
```


Position Tracking

```
void insertOrUpdate(int key, int value) {  
    size_t originalIndex = hashFunction(key);  
    bool inserted = false;  
    do {  
        if (!hashTable[index].exists) {  
            hashTable[index] = HashEntry(key, value, true);  
            hashTable[index].position = index;  
            inserted = true;  
            break;  
        }  
        ...  
    }  
}
```

Limitations of Linear Probing

Clustering increases likelihood of collision; searches become inefficient

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
		2	12	22	32				
		Apple	Grape	Kiwi	Fig				



$$\text{HASH}(\text{KEY}) = \text{KEY} \% 10$$

Quadratic Probing



Quadratic Probing

Formula to find the index of the next slot I after K “probes” is “quadratic” with respect to K.

$$\text{INDEX } I = (\text{HASH}(\text{KEY}) + K^2) \% \text{TABLE_SIZE}$$

$$\text{HASH}(\text{KEY}) = \text{KEY} \% \text{TABLE_SIZE}$$

Inserting 2

Insert (2, Apple)

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
		2							
		Apple							



$$\text{HASH}(2) = 2; K = 0; \text{INDEX } I = (2 + 0^2) \% 10 = 2$$

Inserting 12

Insert (12, Grape)

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
		2	12						
		Apple	Grape						



$$\text{HASH}(12) = 2; K = 1; \text{INDEX } I = (2 + 1^2) \% 10 = 3$$

Inserting 22

Insert (22, Kiwi)

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
		2	12			22			
		Apple	Grape			Kiwi			



$$\text{HASH}(22) = 2; K = 2; \text{INDEX } I = (2 + 2^2) \% 10 = 16 \% 10 = 6$$

Inserting 32

Insert (32, Fig)

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	32	2	12			22			
	Fig	Apple	Grape			Kiwi			



$$\text{HASH}(32) = 2; K = 3; \text{INDEX } I = (2 + 3^2) \% 10 = 11 \% 10 = 1$$

Quadratic Probing

Probe sequence follows a quadratic formula.

```
void insertOrUpdate(int key, int value) {
    size_t originalIndex = hashFunction(key);
    bool inserted = false;
    int i = 0; // Attempt counter
    do {
        if (!hashTable[index].exists) {
            ...
        } else if (hashTable[index].key == key) {
            ...
        }
        i++;
        index = (originalIndex + i * i) % capacity; // Quadratic probing
    } while (index != originalIndex && !inserted);
}
```

Benefits of Quadratic Probing

Better spread of keys; higher search efficiency

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	32	2	12			22			
	Fig	Apple	Grape			Kiwi			

Limitation of Quadratic Probing

Secondary clustering of all keys hashed to 2.

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	32	2	12			22			
	Fig	Apple	Grape			Kiwi			

Double Hashing



Double Hashing

Double hashing

Uses a secondary hash function to calculate the probe step, offering a unique probe sequence for each key.

$$\text{INDEX } I = (\text{HASH1}(\text{KEY}) + K * \text{HASH2}(\text{KEY})) \% \text{TABLE_SIZE}$$

$$\text{HASH1}(\text{KEY}) = \text{KEY} \% \text{TABLE_SIZE}$$

$$\text{HASH2}(\text{KEY}) = 1 + \text{KEY} \% (\text{TABLE_SIZE} - 1)$$

Inserting 2

Insert (2, Apple)

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
		2							
		Apple							



$\text{HASH1}(2) = 2$; $\text{HASH2}(2) = 1 + (2 \% 9) = 1 + 2 = 3$
 $K = 0$; $\text{INDEX } I = (2 + 0 * 3) \% 10 = 2$

Inserting 12

Insert (12, Grape)

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
		2				12			
		Apple				Grape			



$\text{HASH1}(12) = 2$; $\text{HASH2}(12) = 1 + (12 \% 9) = 1 + 3 = 4$
 $K = 1$; $\text{INDEX } I = (2 + 1 * 4) \% 10 = 6 \% 10 = 6$

Inserting 22

Insert (22, Kiwi)

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
		2				12	22		
		Apple				Grape	Kiwi		



$\text{HASH1}(22) = 2$; $\text{HASH2}(22) = 1 + (22 \% 9) = 1 + 4 = 5$
 $K = 1$; $\text{INDEX } I = (2 + 1 * 5) \% 10 = 7 \% 10 = 7$

Inserting 32

Insert (32, Fig)

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
		2				12	22	32	
		Apple				Grape	Kiwi	Fig	



$\text{HASH1}(32) = 2$; $\text{HASH2}(32) = 1 + (32 \% 9) = 1 + 5 = 6$
 $K = 1$; $\text{INDEX } I = (2 + 1 * 6) \% 10 = 8 \% 10 = 8$

Benefit of Double Hashing

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
		2				12	22	32	
		Apple				Grape	Kiwi	Fig	

Conclusion

- Hash Tables
- Hash Function
- Deletion and Position Tracking
- Quadratic Probing
- Double Hashing