

Data Structure & Programming

Hashing

DPP

[NAT]

1. Consider a hash table H with 512 slots. If 128 keys are to be stored in H, the load factor of H is _____.

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2. Consider a hash function that distributes keys uniformly. The hash table size is 2024. After hashing of how many keys will the probability that any new key hashed collides with an existing one exceed 0.75?

[MCQ]

3. Suppose we are given n keys, m hash table slots, and two simple uniform hash functions h_1 and h_2 . Further suppose our hashing scheme uses h_1 for the even keys and h_2 for the odd keys. What is the expected number of keys in a slot?
- (a) $\frac{n}{m}$ (b) $\frac{m}{n}$
(c) $\frac{2n}{m}$ (d) $\frac{m}{2n}$

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4. A hash table contains 9 buckets and uses linear probing to resolve collisions. The key values are integers and the hash function used is $\text{key} \% 9$. If the values 41, 157, 72, 76, 31 are inserted in the table, in what location would the last key be inserted? _____.

[MCQ]

5. Which one of the following hash functions on integers will distribute keys most uniformly over 10 buckets numbered 0 to 9 for i ranging from 0 to 2024?
- (a) $h(i) = (12 * i) \bmod 10$
(b) $h(i) = (11 * i^2) \bmod 10$
(c) $h(i) = i^3 \bmod 10$
(d) $h(i) = i^2 \bmod 10$

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6. Consider a double hashing scheme in which the primary hash function is $h_1(k) = k \bmod 17$, and the secondary hash function is $h_2(k) = 1 + (k \bmod 13)$. Assume that the table size is 17. Then the address returned by probe 2 in the probe sequence (assume that the probe sequence begins at probe 0) for key value $k = 127$ is _____.

[MCQ]

7. Consider a hash table with 11 slots. The hash function is $h(k) = k \bmod 11$. The collisions are resolved by chaining. The following 11 keys are inserted in the order: 28, 19, 15, 20, 33, 30, 42, 63, 60, 32, 43. The maximum, minimum, and average chain lengths in the hash table, respectively, are-
- (a) 3, 0, 1 (b) 3, 3, 3
(c) 3, 0, 2 (d) 4, 0, 1

[MCQ]

8. A hash table of length 8 uses open addressing with hash function $h(k) = 2 + k \bmod 8$, and linear probing. After inserting 5 values into an empty hash table, the table is as shown below.

0	
1	
2	64
3	41
4	57
5	72
6	
7	29

How many different insertion sequences of the key values using the same hash function and linear probing will result in the hash table shown above?

- (a) 10 (b) 9
(c) 15 (d) 8

Answer Key

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|-----------|---------|
| 1. (0.25) | 5. (c) |
| 2. (1518) | 6. (13) |
| 3. (a) | 7. (a) |
| 4. (7) | 8. (c) |



Hints and Solutions

1. (0.25)

$$\text{Load factor} = \frac{128}{512}$$

2. (1518)

Let x be the number of keys after which any new key

hashed collides with an existing one exceed $\frac{3}{4}$

$$\frac{1}{2024} \times x = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$x = 1518$$

3. (a)

If h_1 is used for the even keys and h_2 for the odd keys, the expected number of keys in a slot is still equivalent

$$\text{to } \frac{n}{m}$$

4. (7)

$$41 \bmod 9 = 5$$

$$157 \bmod 9 = 4$$

$$72 \bmod 9 = 0$$

$$76 \bmod 9 = 4$$

Since 157 occupies 4 and 41 occupies 5, 76 is hashed to 6

$$31 \bmod 9 = 4$$

Since 157 occupies 4, 41 occupies 5, 76 occupies 6, 31 is hashed to 7

5. (c)

$h(i) = i^3 \bmod 10$ will distribute keys most uniformly over 10 buckets numbered 0 to 9 for i ranging from 0 to 2024.

6. (13)

$$\text{D-Hashing } (k, \text{probe}) = (h_1(k) + \text{probe} \times h_2(k)) \bmod m$$

Where, $\text{probe} = 0$ to $m - 1$

m = Number of empty slots in hash table)

$$\text{D-Hashing } (127, 2) = (127 \bmod 17 + 2 \times (1 + 127 \bmod 13)) \bmod 17$$

$$= (8 + 2 \times (1 + 10)) \bmod 17 = 13$$

7. (a)

$$28 \bmod 11 = 6$$

$$19 \bmod 11 = 8$$

$$15 \bmod 11 = 4$$

$$20 \bmod 11 = 9$$

$$33 \bmod 11 = 0$$

$$30 \bmod 11 = 8$$

$$42 \bmod 11 = 9$$

$$63 \bmod 11 = 8$$

$$60 \bmod 11 = 5$$

$$32 \bmod 11 = 10$$

$$43 \bmod 11 = 10$$

Maximum chain length = 3

Minimum chain length = 0

$$\text{Average chain length} = 11/11 = 1$$

8. (c)

64 is hashed to 2.

41 is hashed to 3.

57 is too hashed to 3. To avoid collision, 57 is hashed in 4.

Similarly, 72 and 29 are also dependent.

Order:

(i) 64 41
↓

57 single place

∴ After 57: (1) 64 41 57

(2) 41 57 64

(3) 41 34 57

(iii) 72.

(i) 64 41 57 ↓
72
1 way
↓
After 72

(ii) 41 57 64 ↓
1 way

(iii) 41 64 57 ↓
1 way

(i) $\overbrace{64\ 41\ 57\ 72}^{\text{After 29}}$
↓
5 ways

(ii) $\overbrace{41\ 57\ 64\ 72}^{\text{5 ways}}$

(iii) $\overbrace{41\ 64\ 57\ 72}^{\text{5 ways}}$

∴ Total = 15 ways



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