

# Analysis of Cuckoo Hashing [GT 6.4]

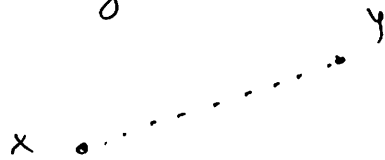
Given a set of keys  $S$ , we define the cuckoo graph to be the graph whose nodes are indices of  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  and whose edge set is  $\{(h_1(x), h_2(x)) \text{ for } x \in S\}$

Fact: The probability that there exists a path from  $x$  to  $y$  of length  $L$  in the cuckoo graph is at most  $\frac{1}{2^L N}$  provided  $N \geq 2n$

~~proof~~

By induction on the length  $L$

$(L=1)$

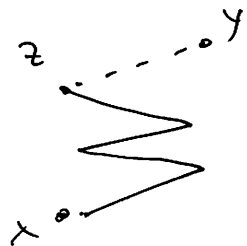


same as the prob that  $\exists k \in S$ :

$$h_1(k) = x \text{ and } h_2(k) = y$$

$$\text{Prob} \leq \sum_{k \in S} \Pr[h_1(k) = x \text{ and } h_2(k) = y] \leq \sum_{k \in S} \frac{1}{N^2} \leq \frac{n}{2N}$$

$(L > 1)$



$$\text{Prob} \leq \sum_z \Pr[\text{from } x \text{ to } z \text{ in } L-1 \text{ hops and edge from } z \text{ to } y]$$

$$\leq \sum_z \frac{1}{2^{L-1} N} \cdot \frac{n}{2N} \leq \frac{n}{2^L N}$$

Fact: Expected length of eviction sequence <sup>from which x is</sup> ~~if~~  $\frac{y}{N}$  if  $N \geq 2n$

$$\mathbb{E}[\text{length of path from } x \text{ to } y] \leq \sum_{L \geq 1} \Pr[\text{path from } x \text{ to } y \text{ of length } L] \leq \sum_{L \geq 1} \frac{1}{2^L N} = \frac{1}{N}$$

Fact: Expected number of evictions for put provided put is successful.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[\text{length of path out of } x] &\leq \sum_{k \in S} \mathbb{E}[\text{length from } x \text{ to } \tau_1[h_1(k)] \text{ or } \tau_2[h_2(k)]] \\ &\leq \sum_{k \in S} \frac{2}{N} \leq \frac{2n}{N} \leq 1 \end{aligned}$$

Fact  $\Pr[\exists \text{ cycle passing through } x] \leq \frac{1}{3N}$

$$\Pr[\dots] \leq \sum_{L=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^{2L} N} = \sum_{L \geq 1} \frac{1}{4^L N} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{L \geq 1} \frac{1}{4^L} = \frac{1}{N} \frac{1/4}{1-1/4} = \frac{1}{3N}$$

Fact:  $\Pr[\exists \text{ cycle}_1] \leq \frac{2}{3}$   
on  $n$  keys

$\Rightarrow O(n)$  time to do  
 $n$  put operations

Fact:  $\mathbb{E}[\# \text{ of rehashes}] = 3$   
(flip a biased coin)