

# Hashing (III)

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## COP-3530 - Data Structures



### Module #5: Hashing (part III)

#### Outline:

- The collision resolution:
  - (II) Open addressing
    - (b) Quadratic probing
      - Secondary clustering
      - Expected number of probing
      - Complexity analysis and Java code
    - (c) Double hashing
      - General idea
      - Improving the key distribution
  - Linear vs Quadratic vs Double hashing
  - AVL vs Hash table

## Remember...

### Separate chaining

#### ■ Advantages

- Used when memory is of concern, easily implemented.

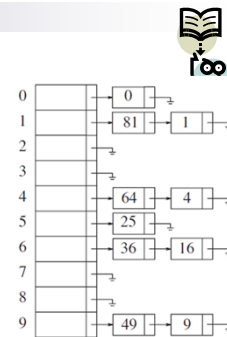
#### ■ Disadvantages

- **Parts of the table/array might never be used.**
- As chains get longer, search time increases to  **$O(n)$**  in the worst case.



#### Next Question:

- Is there a way to use the “**unused**” space in the table/array instead of using chains to make more space?



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## Remember... Open Addressing

**Main idea:** use empty space in the table

#### Important points:

- All items are stored in the hash table itself.
- In addition to the cell data (if any), each cell keeps one of the three states: **EMPTY, OCCUPIED, DELETED**.
- While inserting, if a collision occurs, alternative cells are tried until an empty cell is found.
- **Probe sequence:** A probe sequence is the sequence of array indexes that is followed in searching for an empty cell during an insertion, or in searching for a key during find or delete operations.
- The most common probe sequences are of the form:  
$$h_i(\text{key}) = (h(\text{key}) + c(i)) \bmod \text{TableSize},$$
  
where  $i = 0, 1, \dots, \text{TableSize}-1$  and  $c(0) = 0$ .  
**Linear probing - linear function:  $c(i) = i$**

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## Open Addressing. Quadratic probing



- **Quadratic probing** is a collision resolution method that eliminates the **primary clustering** problem of **linear probing**.
- We can avoid **primary clustering** by changing the **probe** function:
  - $c(i) = i$  by  $c(i) = i^2$  (or  $c(i) = a_1i^2 + a_2i + a_3$ )

If  $h(\text{key}) = \text{key} \% \text{TableSize}$  is already occupied then

- the **probe sequence** is:
  - 1<sup>st</sup> probe:  $(h(\text{key}) + 1^2) \% \text{TableSize}$
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> probe:  $(h(\text{key}) + 2^2) \% \text{TableSize}$
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> probe:  $(h(\text{key}) + 3^2) \% \text{TableSize}$
  - ...
  - $i^{\text{th}}$  probe:  $(h(\text{key}) + i^2) \% \text{TableSize}$

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  - ...
  - $i^{\text{th}}$  probe:  $(h(\text{key}) + i^2) \% \text{TableSize}$
- **Example:** insert {89,18,49,58,69}

	Empty Table	After 89	After 18	After 49	After 58	After 69
0				49	49	49
1						
2					58	58
3						69
4						
5						
6						
7						
8			18	18	18	18
9		89	89	89	89	89

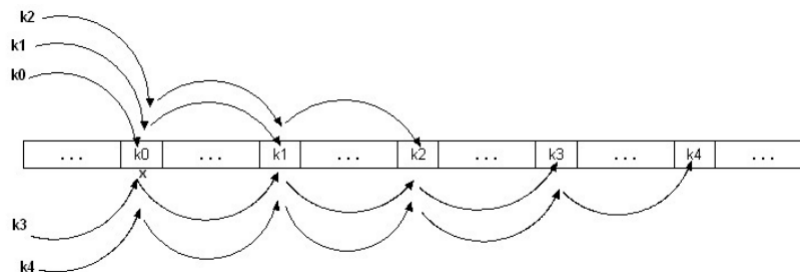
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## Open Addressing. Quadratic probing



### ■ Important points:

- **Quadratic probing** is better than **linear probing** because it eliminates **primary clustering**.
- However, if  $h(k_1) = h(k_2)$  the **probing sequences** for  $k_1$  and  $k_2$  are exactly the same. This sequence of locations is called a **secondary clustering**.
- **Example:**



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## Open Addressing. Quadratic probing



### □ **Bad News:**

- For **quadratic probing** is **NO** guarantee of finding an empty cell once the table gets more than half full, or even before the table gets half full if the table size is not prime.

**Theorem:** if the table is half empty ( $\lambda < 1/2$ ) and the TableSize is prime, then we are always guaranteed to be able to insert a new element.

**Proof:** (see textbook, page 182)

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## Quadratic Probing. Java Code



- See Java Code for Quadratic Probing in:

<http://users.cis.fiu.edu/~weiss/dsaa/java/code/DataStructures/QuadraticProbingHashTable.java>

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## Open Addressing. Double Hashing



### General Idea:

- Given **two good hash functions** **u** and **v**, it is very unlikely that for some **key**, **u(key) == v(key)**
- So make the probe function **f(i) = i\*v(key)**

### Finding a position...

$$h(\text{key}) = \text{key} \% \text{TableSize}$$

- and the **probe sequence** is:

- 1<sup>st</sup> probe: **(u(key) + 1\*v(key)) % TableSize**
- 2<sup>nd</sup> probe: **(u(key) + 2\*v(key)) % TableSize**
- 3<sup>rd</sup> probe: **(u(key) + 3\*v(key)) % TableSize**
- ...
- i<sup>th</sup> probe: **(u(key) + i\*v(key)) % TableSize**

**Detail:** Make sure **v(key)** cannot be **0**

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## Open Addressing. Double Hashing



- If we have
  - $u(\text{key}) = \text{key}$  and,
  - $v(\text{key}) = R - (\text{key} \bmod R)$ , with  $R$  a prime smaller than **TableSize**, will work well.

### ■ Example:

- If we choose  $R = 7$ , then to insert  $\{89, 18, 49, 58, 69\}$  we have:

**$i^{\text{th}}$  probe:  $(\text{key} + i * (7 - (\text{key} \% 7))) \% \text{TableSize}$**

	Empty Table	After 89	After 18	After 49	After 58	After 69
0						69
1						
2						
3					58	58
4						
5						
6				49	49	49
7						
8			18	18	18	18
9		89	89	89	89	89

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## Open Addressing. Double Hashing Analysis



- By simple intuition we can suppose that if each probe is "jumping" by  $v(\text{key})$  each time, we "leave the neighborhood" and "go different places from other initial collisions"
- But we could still have a problem like in **quadratic probing** where we are not "safe" (infinite loop despite room in table)

### Good News:

- It is known that this **cannot happen** in at least one case:
  - $u(\text{key}) = \text{key} \% p$
  - $v(\text{key}) = q - (\text{key} \% q)$
  - $2 < q < p$
  - $p$  and  $q$  are prime

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## Open Addr. Improving the key distribution



	Linear Probing	Quadratic Probing	Double Hashing
0	49	49	69
1	58		
2	69	58	
3		69	58
4			
5			
6			49
7			
8	18	18	18
9	89	89	89

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## Comparison: Linear, Quadratic, and Double



- **Separate chaining** hashing requires the use of links, which costs some memory, and the standard method of implementing calls on memory allocation routines, which typically are expensive.
- **Quadratic probing** is only slightly more difficult to implement and gives good performance in practice. An insertion can fail if the table is half empty, but this is not likely.
- **Double hashing** eliminates primary and secondary clustering, but the computation of a second hash function can be costly.
- In most cases **quadratic probing is the fastest method.**

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## Comparison: AVL-tree vs. Hash Table



	AVL-tree	HashTable
■ Ins, Del, Find complexity	$O(\log N)$	$O(1)$ in average
■ Find Min/Max	Yes	No
■ Items in a range	Yes	No
■ Sorted Input	Very Bad (many rotations)	No problems

### ■ Recommendation:

- Use **Hash Table** if there is any suspicion of **SORTED input** & **NO ordering** information is required.

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