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[InLab] Exercise 07: HashTable ADT

HashTable ADT

For this exercise, HashTable ADT is implemented with closed hashing, specifically, using double hashing as the collision resolution strategy. The list will be storing strings (technically, `char` pointers).

To create the HashTable ADT that will store string data, we define the following structure (defined in `hashtable.h`):

```
typedef struct hash_tag {
    uint size; // current number of elements stored
    uint tableSize; // size of the hash table
    STRING_ARRAY_PTR list; // array of strings
    int (*hash)(char* key); // the hash function
} HASH_TABLE;
```

Each field¹ is described by the comments in the same line. But we describe more the fifth field, `hash`. `*hash` is simply a function, which accepts a string parameter (specified by `(char* key)`) and returns an integer (specified by the data type `int`). `(*hash)` is grouped together inside a pair of parentheses to disambiguate it from declaring an integer pointer, i.e. `int *hash`. Moreover, `*hash` is a function; thus, `hash` is a pointer to a function. This is similar if we have `int *p`; `- *p` is an `int` and `p` is a pointer to an `int`. To assign values to function pointers, we simply use function names² of some defined function, that matches the signature declared.

Tasks

Implement and test the following functions (also listed in `hashtable.h`):

- `HASH_TABLE_PTR createHashTable(uint tableSize);`
- `uint isEmpty(HASH_TABLE_PTR H);`
- `uint isFull(HASH_TABLE_PTR H);`
- `void put(HASH_TABLE_PTR H, STRING key, STRING data);`
- `STRING find(HASH_TABLE_PTR H, STRING key);`
- `STRING erase(HASH_TABLE_PTR H, STRING key);`
- `void destroy(HASH_TABLE_PTR H);`
- `void printTable(HASH_TABLE_PTR H);`

These functions are also described in `hashtable.h`. The implementation for `printTable` is already in `hashtable.c`. Take note that Keys used are strings, of at most 20 characters length.

Make sure to test your implementation using the provided shell program `main.c`. The shell program accepts a simple script with the following format and commands:

1. Script must begin with a line containing integers, the size of the table and the maximum number of elements that can be stored.
2. Succeeding lines must contain one of the following commands:
 - `+ k:<key> d:<data>` - inserts `<data>` in the hash table using the key `<key>`

¹some fields are declared as `uint`; `uint` is just an alias for `unsigned int`; we only use nonnegative values.

²Function names are function pointers.

- ? <key> - searches the node identified by <key> and prints the pointer value
 - - <key> - deletes the node identified by <key>
 - p - prints the hash table
 - E - checks if the hash table is empty
 - F - checks if the hash table is full
 - C - deletes all nodes in the hash table, including dummy nodes
3. The last line in the file must contain the Q command for the program to terminate.

For all commands described, angle brackets (<>) are not to be written/included in the script; these are placeholders only.

Submission

Submit your `hashtable.c` in Google Classroom.

Questions?

If you have any questions, approach your lab instructor.