

# myHash — Documentation

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## Library Description

This library contains the definition of the *"myHash"* class, which allows to work with a set implementation of a Hash-Table in C++.

Since a Hash-Table can be used following two different criterias (open/close hashing), there are two implementations, the *"myHash\_Open"* one and the *"myHash\_Close"* one.

## CONTENTS OF THE LIBRARY

The library consists of two files:

- **"myHash.hpp"**: the template library, it is the header file where you can find a brief description on how to use the library in practice, together with all the classes definitions.
- **"myHash.cpp"**: the core of the library, it contains all the methods definitions for each class; it is the file that has to be given to the compiler in order to be able to use the library.

## INHERITARY STRUCTURE

The library starts with the definition of a simple abstract class: *"myHash"*.

Starting from this class, there are two derived classes, *"myHash\_Open"* and *"myHash\_Close"*, which allow to use the core class with open/close hashing, implementing both the types of Hash-Tables.

## TEMPLATES IMPLEMENTATION

In order to use the Hash-Tables with all possible types and custom classes, have been used **templates**. Due to the library structure, the correct way to use them is via **explicit template instantiations**, which have to be manually added for each wanted custom type/class.

This process has been made as easy as possible; the only thing you need to do is to add the wanted **explicit template instantiation** at the start of the *"myHash.cpp"* file. Have been already added the *int* and *float* types ones, so you can copy one of these and change the type with the wanted one.

## Classes Documentation

In the *"myHash"* library have been implemented a total of three classes:

- R. **myHash:** the Root abstract class, from which all the others derive from.
- 1. **myHash\_Open:** Hash-Table implementation following open hashing criteria (Bucket implemented as Linked Lists).
- 2. **myHash\_Close:** Hash-Table implementation following close hashing criteria (Bucket implemented as single elements).

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### ROOT. myHash

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```
template <typename TYPE>
class myHash {

protected:

    // attributes
    size_t dimension;
    size_t elements = 0;

public:

    // destructor
    virtual ~myHash() = default;

    // methods prototypes
    virtual void add(const TYPE key) = 0;
    void scan(const size_t num);
    void scan_file(const std::string path);

    virtual void print(const size_t start, const size_t end, const bool
        flag_user_interface) = 0;
    virtual void print_file(const std::string path, const size_t start, const
        size_t end, const bool flag_user_interface) = 0;

    virtual void remove(const TYPE key) = 0;
    virtual void remove_Bucket(const size_t bucket) = 0;
    inline float load_factor() { return (float)this->elements /
        (float)this->dimension; }

};
```

**size\_t dimension;**

The Hash-Table size, it is a *protected* member, since the user is not able to modify it.

```
size_t elements = 0;
```

The number of elements currently stored in the Hash-Table, it is a *protected* member, since the user is not able to modify it.

```
virtual myHash() = default;
```

This is the *destructor*, it has been left as a *virtual method* in order to allow each derived class to implement its own one.

```
virtual void add(const TYPE key) = 0;
```

Method to add an element to the Hash-Table, it has been left as a *virtual method* since each derived class has a different hashing criteria.

```
void scan(const size_t num);
```

Method to scan a total of `num` elements from terminal.

```
void scan_file(const std::string path);
```

Method to scan all the elements from a file via `std::ifstream`.

```
virtual void print(const size_t start, const size_t end, const bool flag_user_interface) = 0;
```

Method to print the Hash-Table to the terminal, it has been left as a *virtual method* since each derived class has a different hashing criteria.

```
virtual void print_file(const std::string path, const size_t start, const size_t end, const bool flag_user_interface) = 0;
```

Method to print the Hash-Table to a file, it has been left as a *virtual method* since each derived class has a different hashing criteria.

```
virtual void remove(const TYPE key) = 0;
```

Method to remove an element from the Hash-Table, it has been left as a *virtual method* since each derived class has a different hashing criteria.

```
virtual void remove_Bucket(const size_t bucket) = 0;
```

Method to remove a Bucket from the Hash-Table, it has been left as a *virtual method* since each derived class has a different hashing criteria.

```
inline float load_factor() { return (float)this->elements / (float)this->dimension; }
```

Method to calculate the load factor of the Hash-Table.

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## 1. myHash\_Open

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```
template <typename TYPE>
class myHash_Open : public myHash<TYPE> {

    public:

        // Bucket definition
        typedef struct myHash_Node {

            TYPE value;
            myHash_Node *next;

        }myBucket;

    private:

        // attributes
        myBucket **table;

        // methods prototypes
        inline size_t hash(const TYPE key) { return abs(key) % this->dimension; }
        myBucket *add_Bucket(const TYPE key);

    public:

        // constructor
        myHash_Open(const size_t dim);

        // destructor
        ~myHash_Open() override;

        // methods prototypes
        void add(const TYPE key) override;

        void print(const size_t start, const size_t end, const bool
            flag_user_interface) override;
        void print_file(const std::string path, const size_t start, const size_t end,
            const bool flag_user_interface) override;

        myBucket *find(const TYPE key);
        void remove(const TYPE key) override;
        void remove_Bucket(const size_t bucket) override;
        void copy(myHash_Open *destination);

};
```

```
// Bucket definition
typedef struct myHash_Node {

    TYPE value;
    myHash_Node *next;

}myBucket;
```

Definition of the struct "*myHash\_Node*", used as the Node of a Linked List, wich represents the Bucket of the Hash-Table following the open hashing criteria.

```
myBucket **table;
```

The Hash-Table, it is a *private* member, since the user is not able to modify it directly.

```
inline size_t hash(const TYPE key) { return abs(key) % this->dimension; }
```

Method for the Hash function, it is a *private* member, since the user is not able to call it directly.

```
myBucket *add_Bucket(const TYPE key);
```

Method to add a Bucket to the Hash-Table, it is a *private* member, since the user is not able to call it directly.

```
myHash_Open(const size_t dim);
```

This is the *constructor*, which assigns a size variable `dim` to the protected member `myHash.dimension`. It also sets the Hash-Table `myHash_Open.table` to `nullptr`.

```
~myHash_Open() override;
```

This is the *destructor*, which frees the Hash-Table `myHash_Open.table`.

```
void add(const TYPE key) override;
```

Method to add a key to the Hash-Table.

```
void print(const size_t start, const size_t end, const bool flag_user_interface) override;
```

Method to print Hash-Table to the terminal.

The `const bool flag_user_interface` is used in order to choose the type of print:

- `flag = 1` —> - Bucket: i "\n" Element j : myHash\_Open.table[ i ] "\t" ... "\n" .
- `flag = other values` —> myHash\_Open.table[ i ] "\t" ... "\n" myHash\_Open.table[ i + 1 ] ... .

```
void print_file(const std::string path, const size_t start, const size_t end, const
bool flag_user_interface) override;
```

Method to print the Hash-Table to file via `std::ofstream`.

The `const bool flag_user_interface` is used in order to choose the type of print:

- `flag = 1` —> `- Bucket: i "\n" Element j : myHash_Open.table[ i ] "\t" ... "\n"`.
- `flag = other values` —> `myHash_Open.table[ i ] "\t" ... "\n" myHash_Open.table[ i + 1 ] ...`.

```
myBucket *find(const TYPE key);
```

Method to find a key in the Hash-Table.

```
void remove(const TYPE key) override;
```

Method to remove a key from the Hash-Table.

```
void remove_Bucket(const size_t bucket) override;
```

Method to remove an entire Bucket from the Hash-Table, then sets it to `nullptr`.

```
void copy(myHash_Open *destination);
```

Method to copy the Hash-Table to another object `myHash_Open`.

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## 2. myHash\_Close

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```
template <typename TYPE>
class myHash_Close : public myHash<TYPE> {

    // set constants
    TYPE const EMPTY = __INT_MAX__;
    TYPE const TOMBSTONE = __INT_MAX__ - 1;

private:

    // attributes
    TYPE *table;
    bool flag_probing;

    // methods prototypes
    int hash(const TYPE key);
    int linear_probing(const int key_abs);
    int quadratic_probing(const int key_abs);

public:

    // constructor
    myHash_Close(const size_t dim, const bool flag);

    // destructor
    ~myHash_Close() override;

    // methods prototypes
    void add(const TYPE key) override;

    void print(const size_t start, const size_t end, const bool
        flag_user_interface) override;
    void print_file(const std::string path, const size_t start, const size_t end,
        const bool flag_user_interface) override;

    int find(const TYPE key);
    void remove(const TYPE key) override;
    void remove_Bucket(const size_t bucket) override;
    void copy(myHash_Close *destination);

};
```



```
TYPE const EMPTY = __INT_MAX__;
```

Constant to mark an Empty Bucket.

```
TYPE const TOMBSTONE = __INT_MAX__ - 1;
```

Constant to mark a Bucket which has been removed.

```
myBucket **table;
```

The Hash-Table, it is a *private* member, since the user is not able to modify it directly.

```
bool flag_probing;
```

Flag used in order to chose the probing method (if necessary), it is a *private* member, since the user is not able to modify it directly.

```
int hash(const TYPE key);
```

Method for the Hash function, it is a *private* member, since the user is not able to call it directly.

```
int linear_probing(const int key_abs);
```

Method to find an available Bucket with *linear probing*, it is a *private* member, since the user is not able to modify it directly.

```
int quadratic_probing(const int key_abs);
```

Method to find an available Bucket with *linear probing*, it is a *private* member, since the user is not able to modify it directly.

```
myHash_Close(const size_t dim, const bool flag);
```

This is the *constructor*, which assigns a size variable `dim` to the protected member `myHash.dimension` and a boolean `flag` to the private member `myHash_Close.flag_probing`.

It also sets the Hash-Table `myHash_Close.table` Buckets to **EMPTY**.

```
~myHash_Close() override;
```

This is the *destructor*, which frees the Hash-Table `myHash_Close.table`.

```
void add(const TYPE key) override;
```

Method to add a key to the Hash-Table.

```
void print(const size_t start, const size_t end, const bool flag_user_interface) override;
```

Method to print Hash-Table to the terminal.

The `const bool flag_user_interface` is used in order to choose the type of print:

- `flag = 1` —> `- Bucket i: myHash_Close.table[ i ] "\n"`.
- `flag = other values` —> `myHash_Close.table[ i ] "\n"`.

```
void print_file(const std::string path, const size_t start, const size_t end, const bool flag_user_interface) override;
```

Method to print the Hash-Table to file via `std::ofstream`.

The `const bool flag_user_interface` is used in order to choose the type of print:

- `flag = 1` —> `- Bucket i: myHash_Close.table[ i ] "\n"`.
- `flag = other values` —> `myHash_Close.table[ i ] "\n"`.

```
int find(const TYPE key);
```

Method to find a key in the Hash-Table.

```
void remove(const TYPE key) override;
```

Method to remove a key from the Hash-Table, then sets the Bucket to **TOMBSTONE**.

```
void remove_Bucket(const size_t bucket) override;
```

Method to remove an entire Bucket from the Hash-Table, then sets it to **TOMBSTONE**.

```
void copy(myHash_Close *destination);
```

Method to copy the Hash-Table to another object `myHash_Close`.