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Practice Problems: | File Structures and Hashing

SOLUTION

Topic: File Structures and Hashing

Q1. Assume a relation R (A, B, C) is given; R is stored as an ordered file (un-spanned) on non-key field C and contains 500,000 records. Attributes A, B and C need 5 bytes of storage each, and blocks have a size of 2048 Bytes. Each A value occurs at an average 5 times in the database, each B value occurs 50 times in the database, and each C value occurs 50,000 times in the database. Assume there is no index structure exists.

Estimate the number of block fetches needed to compute the following queries (where C_a and C_c are integer constants):

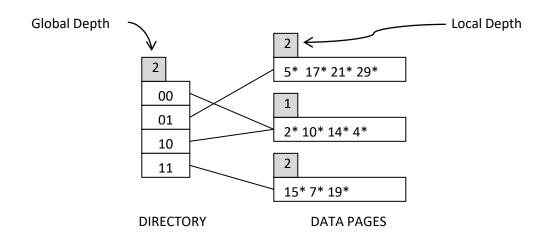
- a. SELECT B, C FROM R WHERE A = Ca;
- **b.** SELECT B, C FROM R WHERE $C = C_c$;

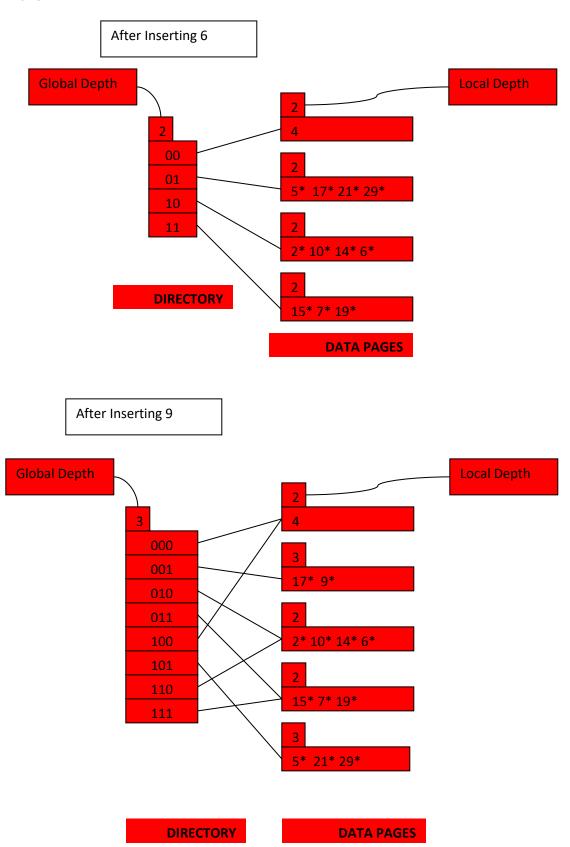
Answer:

r=500,000; R=15 bytes; B=2048 bytes; bfr=2048/15= $\underline{136}$; b=500,000/136= $\underline{3677}$ a. O(b) = 3677 b. O(log(b) + s/bfr - 1) = O(12 + 50,000/136 - 1) = O(12 + 368 - 1) = $\underline{379}$

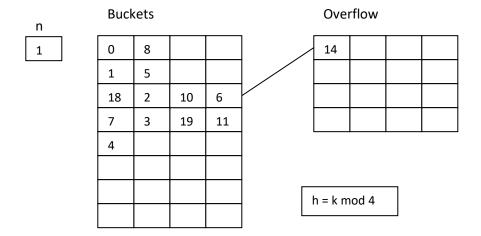
Q2. Assume the extendible hash index in the figure. Each bucket overflow leads to a split. Draw the index after the insertion of record with the search keys: **6, 9** (*two diagrams one after inserting each record are required*).

- Directory array size (i.e. bucket size) is 4
- To find the Bucket for r, take last 'global depth' number of bits of h(r), we denote r by h(r). If h(r) = 5 = binary 101 it is in the bucket pointed to by 01 (least significant bits).

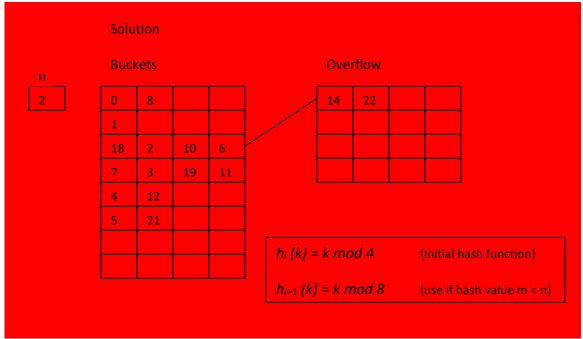




Q3. Assume the linear hashing index in the figure. Insert the records with the following search keys: 22, 21, 12



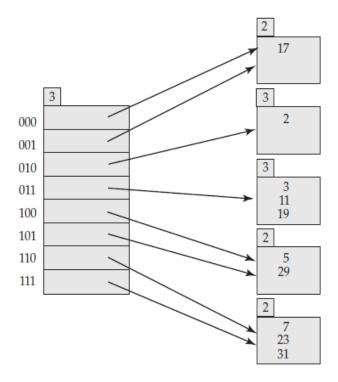




Q4. Suppose that we are using extendable hashing on a file that contains records with the following search-key values: 5, 7, 11, 17, 18, 19, 23, 27, 37, 39

Show the extendable hash structure for this file if the hash function is $h(k) = k \mod 8$ and buckets can hold three records. Show your working.

Answer: Extendable hash structure:



Q5. Suppose you are building an extensible hash index on a table of 25,000 rows. Key values are 8 bytes, a pointer (block/record) to a row is 8 bytes, and a disk block is 2048 bytes. Assume all keys are distinct.

- a. What is the (lowest possible) global depth? Provide valid reasons.
- **b.** What is the average occupancy of a bucket, assuming all buckets have a local depth equal to the global depth from part (a)? Justify your answer.

Answer:

a. Bucket entries will be key/pointer pairs, so 16 bytes each. Floor(2048/16) = 128 entries / bucket. 25,000/128 = at least 196 buckets needed. Since the directory is always a power of 2 size, it will have at least 2^8 = 256 entries, so the global depth is 8.

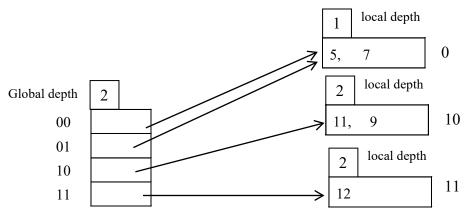
b. If all buckets have local depth equal to global depth, then every pointer in the directory points to a unique bucket. Thus, there are 256 buckets. $256 * 128 = \text{capacity of } 32,768. 25,000/32,768 \approx 76.3\%$ occupancy.

- Q6. Consider the following values: 5, 7, 12, 11, 9.
- **a.** Show the extendable hash structures when the above hash values are added in the file (in order) and buckets can hold 2 records. Show your working.
- **b.** Show the dynamic hash structures when the above hash values are added in the file (in order) and buckets can hold 2 records. Show your working.
- c. Show the linear hash structures when the above hash values are added in the file (in order), start with empty table with 2 buckets (M = 2), split = 0, and a load factor threshold = 0.9. Splitting must be controlled by monitoring the file load factor with I = r/N, where r is the current number of file records, and N is the current number of file buckets. Use the mod hash function, first (initial hash function) $h_0 = K \mod M$, second $h_1 = K \mod 2M$, etc.

Answer:

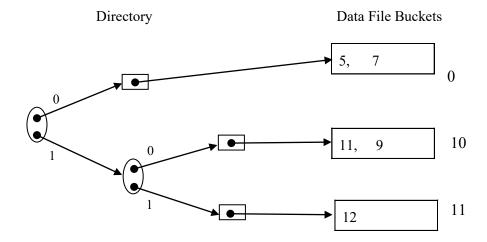
a. Extendible Hashing

h(K) values: 5 (0101), 7 (0111), 12 (1100), 11 (1011), 9 (1001).



b. Dynamic Hashing

h(K) values: 5 (0101), 7 (0111), 12 (1100), 11 (1011), 9 (1001).



c. Answer: Linear Hashing

Next Split at	Bucket no	Hash function	Elements	Comments
0	0	Mod 2		
	1	Mod 2		

5

Next Split at	Bucket no	Hash function	Elements	Comments
0	0	Mod 2		
	1	Mod 2	5	Load factor 0.5<0.9

7

Next Split at	Bucket no	Hash function	Elements	Comments
0	0	Mod 2		
	1	Mod 2	5, 7	Load factor 1>0.9; need split

After the split

Next Split at	Bucket no	Hash function	Elements	Comments
1	0	Mod 4		
	1	Mod 2	5, 7	Load factor .67<0.9;
	2	Mod 4		

Next Split at	Bucket no	Hash function	Elements	Comments
1	0	Mod 4	12	
	1	Mod 2	5, 7	Load factor1>0.9; need split
	2	Mod 4		

Next Split at	Bucket no	Hash function	Elements	Comments
0	0	Mod 4	12	
	1	Mod 4	5	Load factor 0.75<0.9;
	2	Mod 4		
	3	Mod 4	7	

After split (Now M=4)

Next Split at	Bucket no	Hash function	Elements	Comments
0	0	Mod 4	12	
	1	Mod 4	5	Load factor 1>0.9; Need split
	2	Mod 4		
	3	Mod 4	7, 11	
Next Split at	Bucket no	Hash function	Elements	Comments
Next Split at	Bucket no 0	Hash function Mod 8	Elements	Comments
			Elements 5	Comments Load factor 0.75<0.9;
	0	Mod 8		
	0	Mod 8 Mod 4		

Next Split at	Bucket no	Hash function	Elements	Comments
1	0	Mod 8		
	1	Mod 4	5, 9	Load factor 1>0.9; Split
	2	Mod 4		
	3	Mod 4	7,11	
	4	Mod 8	12	
Next Split at	Bucket no	Hash function	Elements	Comments
2	0	Mod 8		
	1	Mod 8	9	
	2	Mod 4		
	3	Mod 4	7,11	
	4	Mod 8	12	
	5	Mod 8	5	