

Data Structures and Algorithms

Lab 12 – Hashing

Exercises/Tasks:

1. Write a program to implement a hash function that calculates the hash value for a string input.

Example: $\text{hash}(\text{key}) = \text{sum}(\text{ASCII values of characters in key}) \% \text{tableSize}$

Use a small hash table size (e.g., 10) and print the hash values for multiple string inputs.

2. Implement a hash table with a fixed size. Use the hash function from Task 1 to determine where to insert keys. If a collision occurs, display a message (but don't handle it yet).

Example:

- Insert keys: "apple", "orange", "banana", "grape".
- Hash table size: 5.

3. Modify the hash table implementation to handle collisions using separate chaining (linked lists) or open addressing.

Write functions to:

- Insert a key into the hash table.
- Search for a key in the hash table.
- Delete a key from the hash table.

4. Write a program to count the frequency of words in a given text using a hash table.

Example Input: "the cat sat on the mat"

Output: {the: 2, cat: 1, sat: 1, on: 1, mat: 1}

5. Build a simplified version of a dictionary using a hash table where you can:

- Add a word and its meaning.
- Search for a word to get its meaning.
- Delete a word from the dictionary.