



## LECTURE-15

# HT Advanced Topics and Priority Queue Introduction

Hash Tables Advanced and Priority Queue Introduction

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# Agenda

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- Double Hashing
- Chained and Open Addressing HashTables performance analysis
- Comparision in performance of AVL and HashTables

# RECAP: Deletion OA HT --- Issue resolved

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Keep a flag “deleted” in the struct (which takes the value 0 or 1)

- For insert, treat “deleted=1” as “none” and do the insertion
- For search, treat “deleted=1” as “continue looking head”

# How can we address clustering?

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- Reduce rate of collisions
  1. Associate a good hash function
  2. Monitor the load factor: take action.
  3. Double hashing!

# Double Hashing

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- Uses a primary  $h(\text{key})$  and secondary function  $d(\text{key})$  to handle collisions by placing an item in the first available cell of the series:

$$\text{Index} = \{ [h(\text{key}) + j*d(\text{key})] \bmod m \} \text{ for } j = 0, 1, \dots, m-1$$

- The secondary hash function  $d(\text{key})$  is not allowed to have zero values
  - $q$  and  $m$  must be coprime.
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- Secondary hash function is:  
$$d(\text{key}) = q - [h(\text{key}) \bmod q]$$

where,  $q < m$ , and  $q$  is a prime and the possible values for  $d_2(k)$  are  $1, 2, \dots, q$

# Double Hashing in Action!

- $h(k) = k$  ,  $m = 13$   $q = 7$
- $d(k) = 7 - (k \bmod 7)$
- $\text{Index} = [ h(k) + (j * d(k)) ] \bmod 13$
- Insert keys 18, 41, 22, 44, 59, 32, 31, and 73 (left to right)

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
		41			18				22			

# How many probes for 44?

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$$\text{Index} = [ h(44) + (j * d(44)) ] \bmod 13$$

$$h(44) = 44$$

$$d(44) = 5$$

- For  $j = 0$  index  $(44 + 0 \% 13)$  comes out to be 5
- For  $j = 1$  index  $((44 + 5) \% 13)$  comes out to be 10

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# How many probes for 31?

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$$\text{Index} = [ h(31) + (j * d(31)) ] \bmod 13$$

$$h(31) = 31 \quad d(31) = 4$$

- For  $j = 0$  index  $(31 + 0 \% 13)$  comes out to be 5
- For  $j = 1$  index  $((31 + 4) \% 13)$  comes out to be 9
- For  $j = 2$  index  $(31 + [4 + 4] \% 13)$  comes out to be 0

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# Recall: Load Factor ( $\alpha$ ) = $n/m$ .

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- $\alpha$  can never be greater than 1. Why?
- if  $\alpha$  is small, less slots of the array have to be probed to search an element in an Open Addressing HT. Why?
- if  $\alpha$  is large, in a Chained HT chains are longer because of more collisions and search time is increased. Why?

# Performance Analysis of Hashing

If Hash Function is independent!

- Suppose we want to **insert** an item with key **k** and there are already **n** items in a table of size **m**

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12

- What is the probability of finding a free slot **without linear probing**?  $8/13$
- What is the probability of finding a free slot on first probe?  
 $[1 - (8/13)] * [8/13]$

# Performance Analysis of Hashing

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How do we analyse the performance for an average number of probes into a OA HT with a certain  $\alpha$ .

We need the expected average of number of probes!

**Expected Value:** Average of all possible outcomes, weighted by their probability of occurrence.

$$\mathbb{E}[X] = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k(1-p)^{k-1}p = \frac{1}{p}$$

From the Geometric Series  
<http://bit.ly/47yRssU>  
Link to Khan Academy  
calculating sum of geometric  
series

# Numbers to our analysis

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What is the Expected Value or average number of probes if  $\alpha = \frac{50}{100}$  when  $E(x) = 1/p = 1/(1 - \alpha)$ ?

$$E(x) = 1 / (50/100) = 100/50 = 2 \text{ probes}$$

What is the Expected Value or average number of probes if  $\alpha = \frac{90}{100}$  when  $E(x) = 1/p = 1/(1 - \alpha)$ ?

$$E(x) = 1 / (10/100) = 100/10 = 10 \text{ probes}$$

Which is performing better?

# Chaining vs Open Addressing in HTs

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- **Chaining Pros:**

- **NO CLUSTERING.** Chains of other keys cannot mix to increase length of chain.

A higher load factor is not as adverse to Chained HT as it is to OA HT!

- **Open Addressing Pros:**

- Array is **BETTER CACHE LOCALITY.**

A Chained Hashtable has all elements scattered in memory like all linked structures

# Comparing AVLs and Hash Tables

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- What is the relationship of a data item to its placement in these data structures?
- AVL allows us to exploit order of data items!
- HT arbitrarily assigns data to index dictated by the associated HT!