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Lecture 9

Hash Tables

- Use a **hash function h**
 - Function h maps U to slots of hash table
 - Given key k , compute the slot $h(k)$
 - This reduces the required table size
- But what if we get a **collision**?
 - Two distinct keys could be mapped to the same slot
 - How can we try to avoid this?
 - The function needs to be deterministic
- We can address that using **chaining**
 - Place colliding keys to same linked list
 - How does this affect the running time?

CHAINED-HASH-INSERT(T, x)

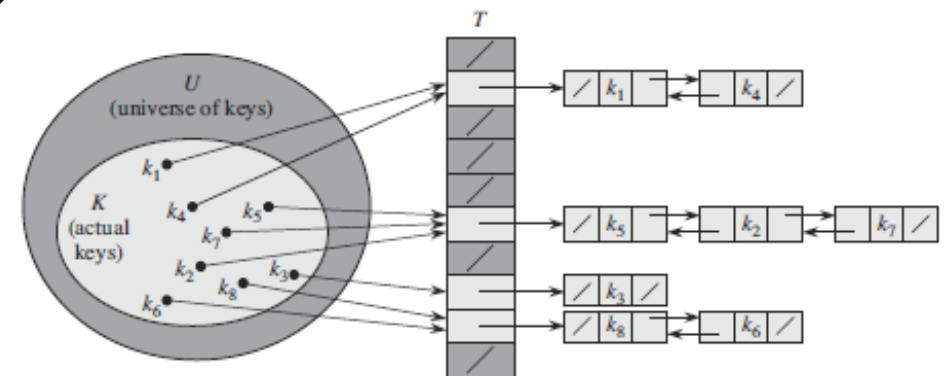
1 insert x at the head of list $T[h(x.key)]$

CHAINED-HASH-SEARCH(T, k)

1 search for an element with key k in list $T[h(k)]$

CHAINED-HASH-DELETE(T, x)

1 delete x from the list $T[h(x.key)]$



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 - Let n/m be the **load factor** α for hash table T
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- Let n_j be the number of elements that hash to slot j .
- Let X be the number of elements examined in a search.
- Number of examined elements is: $X = \sum_{j=1}^m \frac{1}{m} (1 + n_j)$
- So, $E[X] = \sum_{j=1}^m \frac{1}{m} (1 + E[n_j]) = \sum_{j=1}^m \frac{1}{m} \left(1 + \frac{n}{m}\right) = 1 + \frac{n}{m}$
- Assume $n \leq m$.

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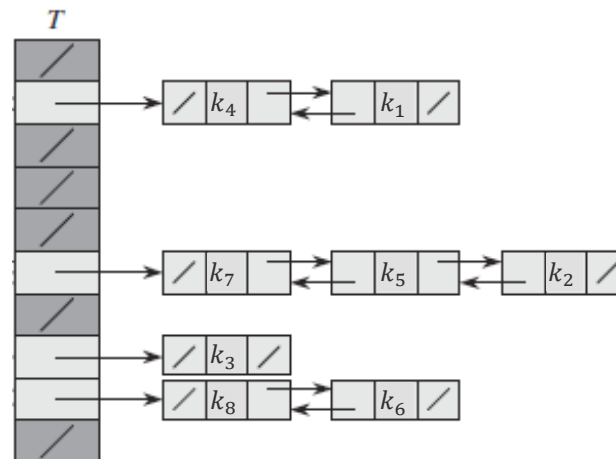
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- For simple uniform hashing, $\mathbb{P}\{X_{ij} = 1\} = 1/m$
- Assume that k_i is the key of the i -th element to be added to the hash table
- Expected number of probes in a successful search is:

$$E \left[\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left(1 + \sum_{j=i+1}^n X_{ij} \right) \right]$$

Verify this for the following instance:



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Today's Lecture

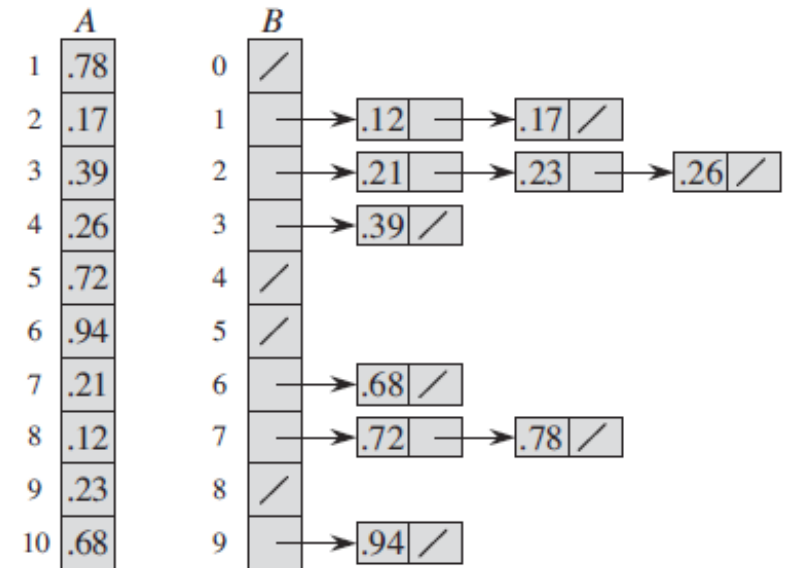
- More probabilistic analysis and randomized algorithms
 - Bucket Sort
 - Binary trees

Sorting in Linear Time

- Assume that the input is drawn from **uniform distribution** from **interval $[0, 1)$**
- Can we use this information to get a faster algorithm, in the **worst case** sense?
- Can we use this information to get a faster algorithm, in the **average case** sense?

BUCKET-SORT(A)

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1  let  $B[0..n-1]$  be a new array
2   $n = A.length$ 
3  for  $i = 0$  to  $n - 1$ 
4      make  $B[i]$  an empty list
5  for  $i = 1$  to  $n$ 
6      insert  $A[i]$  into list  $B[\lfloor nA[i] \rfloor]$ 
7  for  $i = 0$  to  $n - 1$ 
8      sort list  $B[i]$  with insertion sort
9  concatenate the lists  $B[0], B[1], \dots, B[n - 1]$  together in order
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Bucket Sort (Running Time)

- Let n_i be the number of elements in $B[i]$ (random variable)
- What is the running time, $T(n)$ of bucket sort as a function of n_i ?
 - $T(n) = \Theta(n) + \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} O(n_i^2)$
- If we let $X_{ij} = \mathbb{I}\{A[j] \text{ falls in bucket } i\}$, then $n_i = \sum_{j=1}^n X_{ij}$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[T(n)] &= \mathbb{E}\left[\Theta(n) + \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} O(n_i^2)\right] \\ &= \Theta(n) + \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \mathbb{E}[O(n_i^2)] \quad (\text{by linearity of expectation}) \\ &= \Theta(n) + \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} O(\mathbb{E}[n_i^2]) \quad (\text{by equation (C.22)}) . \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} E[X_{ij}^2] &= 1^2 \cdot \frac{1}{n} + 0^2 \cdot \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{n} . \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} E[X_{ij} X_{ik}] &= E[X_{ij}] E[X_{ik}] \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \cdot \frac{1}{n} \\ &= \frac{1}{n^2} . \end{aligned}$$

Simple Indicator Variables Example

Randomized-Loops (n)

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1.   $c = 0$ 
2.  for  $x = 1$  to  $n$ 
3.       $k = \text{Random}(1, n)$  // Random number from 1 to  $n$ 
4.      for  $y = 1$  to  $k$ 
5.           $c = c + 1$ 
6.  return  $c$ 
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▪ What is the **expected running time** of Randomized-Loops(n)?

- Let $X_{ij} = \mathbb{I}\{\text{The value of } k \text{ in the } i\text{-th outer loop iteration is equal to } j\}$
- Then we wish to compute expected value of $X = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n j X_{ij}$
- Taking the expectation, we get

$$\mathbb{E}[X] = \mathbb{E}\left[\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n j X_{ij}\right] = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n j \mathbb{E}[X_{ij}] = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{j}{n} = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{n+1}{2} = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$$