

GitHub: <https://github.com/edwardinio18/LFTC/tree/main/Labs/Lab2>

For my symbol table, I chose to implement a hash table which can be used for both identifiers and constants, storing them in a key-value pair with their respective indices to be able to find them easily in the tables and match their identifiers with their correct values.

HashTable class

The hash table class serves as the underlying data structure for the symbol table. It's responsible for storing and managing key-value pairs.

Constructor

The constructor initializes the hash table with a specified capacity, which determines the size of the hash table. It uses an array to create the table.

Methods

getCapacity(): Returns the capacity of the hash table.

hash(int \$key): This method figures out where to store an integer key's value in the hash table. It calculates a position based on the key's value and the table's capacity.

hashString(string \$key): This method determines where to store a string key's value in the hash table. It computes a position based on the string's characters and the table's capacity.

contains(int|string \$key): Checks if the hash table contains a specific key.

getHashValue(int|string \$key): This method calculates a numerical value (hash) for a given key (either an integer or a string). It's used internally to determine where to store or find key-value pairs in the hash table.

add(int|string \$key, int \$value): This method is used to add a new key-value pair to the hash table.

getPosition(int|string \$key): This method allows you to get the position of an identifier/constant. If the key doesn't exist, it returns -1 to indicate that the key wasn't found.

getHashTable(): This method returns the entire hash table as an array, which includes all the key-value pairs currently stored in the hash table.

SymbolTable class

The symbol table class manages symbols and their corresponding codes, catering to both integers and strings.

Constructor

The constructor initializes the symbol table with a specified capacity. The symbol table uses a hash table internally.

Methods

add(int|string \$symbol): This method adds a new symbol, which can be either an integer or a string, to the symbol table. The code associated with each symbol is incremented automatically upon addition.

getPosition(int|string \$key): This method is used to retrieve the position of an identifier/constant associated with a specific key. It returns the position in the symbol table for the given key. If the symbol is not found, it returns -1.

__toString(): This method overrides the default __toString method to provide a string representation of the symbol table instance. It displays the content of the symbol table in a readable format, showing the mapping of symbols to their associated codes.