

CS2040S

Data Structures and Algorithms

(e-learning edition)

Hashing!

(Part 1)

Semester Roadmap

Where are we?



Plan: this week and next

Three Days of Hashing

- Applications
- Basic theory
- Handling collisions
- (Hashing in Java)
- Amortized analysis (doubling/shrinking)
- Sets and Bloom filters

Topic of the Week: Hash Tables

Abstract Data Types

Symbol Table

public interface SymbolTable

void	insert(Key k, Value v)	<i>insert (k,v) into table</i>
Value	search(Key k)	<i>get value paired with k</i>
void	delete(Key k)	<i>remove key k (and value)</i>
boolean	contains(Key k)	<i>is there a value for k?</i>
int	size()	<i>number of (k,v) pairs</i>

Note: no successor / predecessor queries.

Symbol Table

Examples:

Dictionary:	key = word
	value = definition
Phone Book	key = name
	value = phone number
Internet DNS	key = website URL
	value = IP address
Java compiler	key = variable name
	value = type and value

Implement a symbol table with a Linked List:
(C_I = cost insert, C_S = cost search)

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Symbol Table

Implement a symbol table with:

- $C_I = O(1)$
- $C_S = O(1)$

Fast, fast, fast....

Dictionaries vs. Symbol Tables

What can you do with a dictionary but not a symbol table?

Dictionaries vs. Symbol Tables

Sorting with a dictionary:

- 1) Insert every item into the dictionary.
- 2) Search for the minimum item.
- 3) Repeat: find successor

Running time to implement sorting:

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(Binary) search takes $\Omega(\log n)$ comparisons.

- Impossible to search in fewer than $\log(n)$ comparisons.
- But a symbol table finds an item in $O(1)$ steps!!
- Conclusion: symbol table is not *comparison-based*.

Symbol Tables in Java

Symbol Tables in Java

java.util.Map

```
public interface java.util.Map<Key, Value>
```

void	clear()	<i>removes all entries</i>
boolean	containsKey(Object k)	<i>is k in the map?</i>
boolean	containsValue(Object v)	<i>is v in the map?</i>
Value	get(Object k)	<i>get value for k</i>
Value	put(Key k, Value v)	<i>adds (k,v) to table</i>
Value	remove(Object k)	<i>remove mapping for k</i>
int	size()	<i>number of entries</i>

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Symbol Tables in Java

java.util.Map

- Parameterized by key and value.
- Does not extend Comparable

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- Search by value.
(May not be efficient.)

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- Can use any Object as key?

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- Put new (key, value) in table.

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Map Interface in Java

`java.util.Map<Key, Value>`

- No duplicate keys allowed.
- No *mutable* keys
 - If you use an *object* as a key, then you can't modify that object later.

Symbol Table

What time does
this plane depart it?

Key Mutability

```
SymbolTable<Time, Plane> t =  
    new SymbolTable<Time, Plane>();  
  
Time t1 = new Time(9:00);  
Time t2 = new Time(9:15);  
  
t.insert(t1, "SQ0001");  
t.insert(t2, "SQ0002");  
  
t1.setTime(10:00);  
  
x = new Time(9:00);  
t.search(x);
```


Symbol Table

Moral: Keys should be immutable.

Key Mutability

Examples: Integer, String

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Symbol Tables in Java

java.util.Map

public interface **java.util.Map<Key, Value>**

Set<Map.Entry<Key, Value>	entrySet()	<i>set of all mappings</i>
Set<Key>	keySet()	<i>set of all keys</i>
Collection<Value>	values()	<i>collection of all values</i>

Note: not sorted

not necessarily efficient to work with these sets/collections.

What is wrong here?

Example:

There is a bug here!

```
Map<String, Integer> ageMap = new Map<String, Integer>();
```

```
ageMap.put("Alice", 32);
```

```
ageMap.put("Bernice", 84);
```

```
ageMap.put("Charlie", 7);
```

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- Key-type: String
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Example:

Map is an interface!
Cannot instantiate an interface.

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```

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Map Class in Java

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```
Map<String, Integer> ageMap = new HashMap<String, Integer>();

ageMap.put("Alice", 32);
ageMap.put("Bernice", null);
ageMap.put("Charlie", 7);

Integer age = ageMap.get("Bob");
if (age==null) {
    System.out.println("Bob's age is unknown.");
}
```

- Returns “**null**” when key is not in map.
- Returns “**null**” when value is null.

Map Classes in Java

HashMap

Symbol
Table

- containsKey
- containsValue
- entrySet
- get
- isEmpty
- keySet
- put
- putAll
- remove
- values

TreeMap

Dictionary

- containsKey
- containsValue
- entrySet
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Map Classes in Java

HashMap

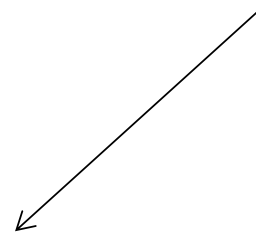
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Dictionary

- ceilingEntry
- ceilingKey
- descendingKeySet
- firstEntry
- firstKey
- floorEntry
- floorKey
- headMap
- higherEntry
- higherKey
- ... (and more)

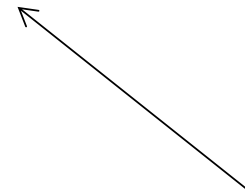
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Wide Interfaces

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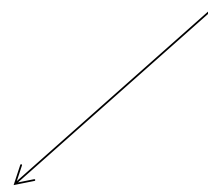
Narrow Interfaces



Limited functionality

Lots of functionality

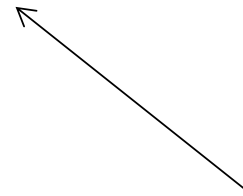
- Java
- No guarantee of efficiency.
- Easy to use (badly).



Wide Interfaces

VS.

Narrow Interfaces



Limited functionality

- Enforces proper use.
- Restricts usage.

Symbol Tables are Useful

Examples:

1. Spelling correction (key=misspelled word, data=word)
2. Scheme interpreter (key=variable, data=value)
3. Web server
 - Lots of simultaneous network connections.
 - When a packet arrives, give it to the right process to handle the connection.
 - key=ip address, data = connection handler

In this cases, $O(\log n)$ often isn't fast enough!

Symbol Tables are Useful

Example 1: Pilot Scheduling

1. Check to see if feasible to schedule at time t .

No two airplanes can land with 3 minutes of each other.

2. Find schedule of pilot p .

Get a list of all the planes that are being flown by a specified pilot.

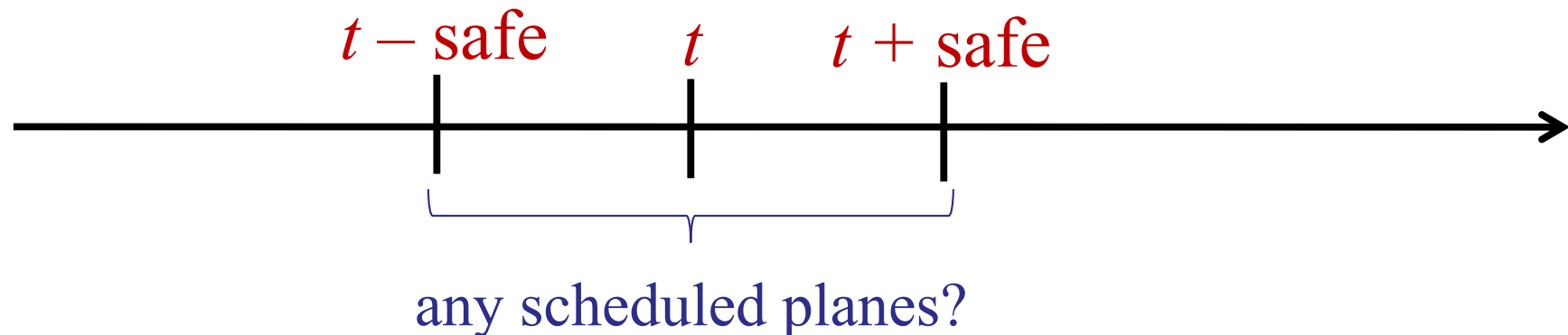
Which can be efficiently solved with a symbol table?

1. Both: scheduling and pilots info.
2. Only scheduling.
- ✓ 3. Only pilot info.
4. Neither.

Symbol Tables are Useful

Example 1: Pilot Scheduling

1. Check to see if feasible to schedule at time t .
 - Hard with a symbol table!
 - Need to find out if there are any planes scheduled in the interval $[t, t \pm \text{safe_distance}]$



Symbol Tables are Useful

Example 1: Pilot Scheduling

1. Check to see if feasible to schedule at time t .
2. Find schedule of pilot p .
 - Perfect for a symbol table!
 - Can insert new pilots.
 - Can search for (and update) existing pilots.
 - Listing all pilots?

Symbol Tables are Useful

Example 2: Document Distance

- Given two documents A and B, how similar are they?
 - Two documents are *similar* if they have similar words in similar frequencies.
 - Formally, define each text as a vector with one entry per word.
 - The distance between the two texts is the angle between the two vectors.

Symbol Tables are Useful

Example 2: Document Distance

- Step 1: Read in each document
 - Read the file as a string.
 - Parse the file into words.
 - Sort the list of words.
 - Count the frequency of each word.
- Step 2: Compare the two documents
 - Calculate the norm $|A|$ and $|B|$ of each vector
 - Calculate the dot product AB .
 - Calculate the angle between A and B .

Symbol Tables are Useful

Example 2: Document Distance

– Step 1: Read in each document

$O(n)$ • Read the file as a string.

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$O(n \log n)$ • Sort the list of words.

$O(n)$ • Count the frequency of each word.

– Step 2: Compare the two documents

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Performance Profiling (Sorting)

(Dracula vs. Lewis & Clark)

Step	Function	Running Time
Create vectors:	Read each file	1.03s
	Parse each file	1.23s
	Sort words in each file	2.04s
	Count word frequencies	0.41s
Dot product:		6.10s
Norm:		0.01s
Angle:		0.02s
Total:		12.75s

Performance Profiling (Symbol Table)

(Dracula vs. Lewis & Clark)

Step	Function	Running Time
Create vectors:	Read each file	1.19s
	Parse each file	1.37s
	Sort words in each file	0
	Count word frequencies	0
Dot product:		0.03s
Norm:		0.01s
Angle:		0.02s
Total:		2.43s

Symbol Tables are Useful

Example 2: Document Distance

- Step 1: Read in each document
 - Read and parse the file.
 - Put each (word, count) in a HashMap.

Symbol Table:

- key (String) = word
- value (Integer) = count (# times in doc)

Symbol Tables are Useful

Example 2: Document Distance

- Step 1: Read in each document
 - Read and parse the file.
 - Put each (word, count) in a map.

```
if (word != "")
{
    if (m_WordList.containsKey(word))
    {
        int count = m_WordList.get(word)+1;
        m_WordList.put(word, count);
    }
    else
    {
        m_WordList.put(word, 1);
    }
    word = "";
}
```

Symbol Tables are Useful

- Step 2: Compare documents (dot-product)
-

```
// Get an iterator for all the keys stored in A
Set<String> ASet = A.m_WordList.keySet();
Iterator<String> AIterator = ASet.iterator();

// Iterate through all the keys in A
while (AIterator.hasNext())
{
    String Key = AIterator.next();

    // If the key from A is also in B
    if (B.m_WordList.containsKey(Key))
    {
        // Add the product of the counts to the sum.
        int AValue = A.m_WordList.get(Key);
        int BValue = B.m_WordList.get(Key);
        sum += AValue*BValue;
    }
}
```

Document Distance

(Dracula vs. Lewis & Clark)

Version	Change	Running Time
Version 1		4,311.00s
Version 2	Better file handling	676.50s
Version 3	Faster sorting	6.59s
Version 4	Symbol Table	2.35s

Building a Symbol Table

Direct Access Tables

Attempt #1: Use a table, indexed by keys.

0	null
1	null
2	item1
3	null
4	null
5	item3
6	null
7	null
8	item2
9	null

Universe $U = \{0..9\}$ of size $m = 10$.

(key, value)

(2, item1)

(8, item2)

(5, item3)

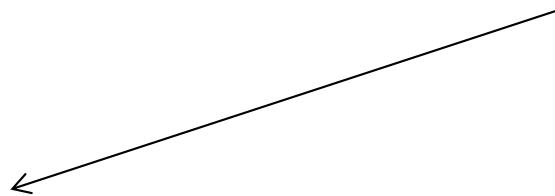
Assume keys are distinct.

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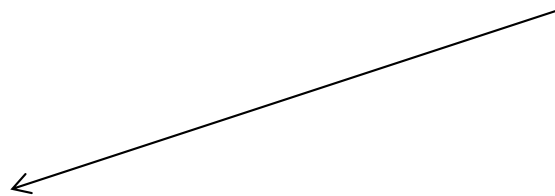


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Example: insert(4, Seth)



Time: $O(1)$ / insert, $O(1)$ / search

Direct Access Tables

Problems:

- Too much space
 - If keys are integers, then table-size > 4 billion
- What if keys are not integers?
 - Where do you put the key/value “**(hippopotamus, bob)**”?
 - Where do you put 3.14159...?

Direct Access Tables

Pythagoras said, “Everything is a number.”



“The School of Athens” by Raphael

Direct Access Tables

Pythagoras said, “Everything is a number.”

- Everything is just a sequence of bits.
- Treat those bits as a number.
- English:
 - 26 letters \Rightarrow 5 bits/letter
 - Longest word = 28 letters (antidisestablishmentarianism?)
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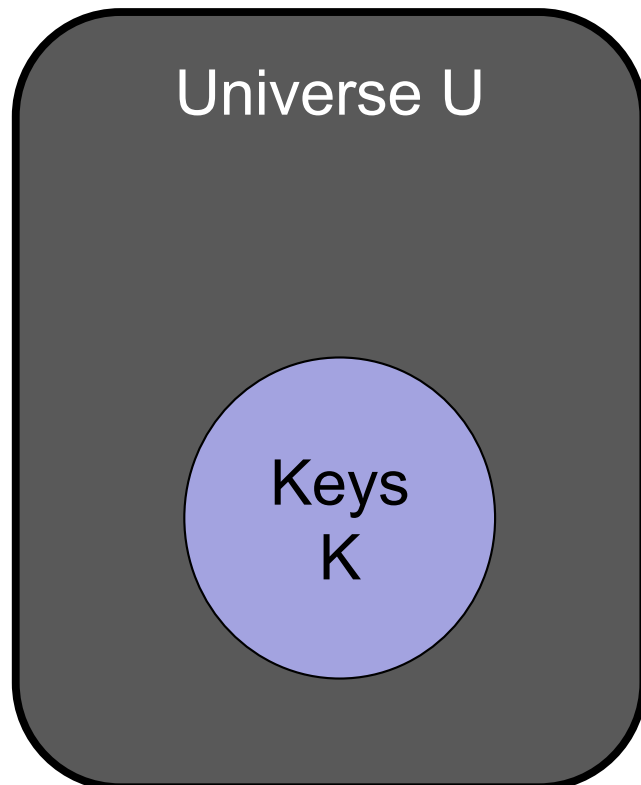
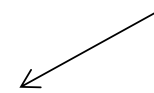
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Hash Functions

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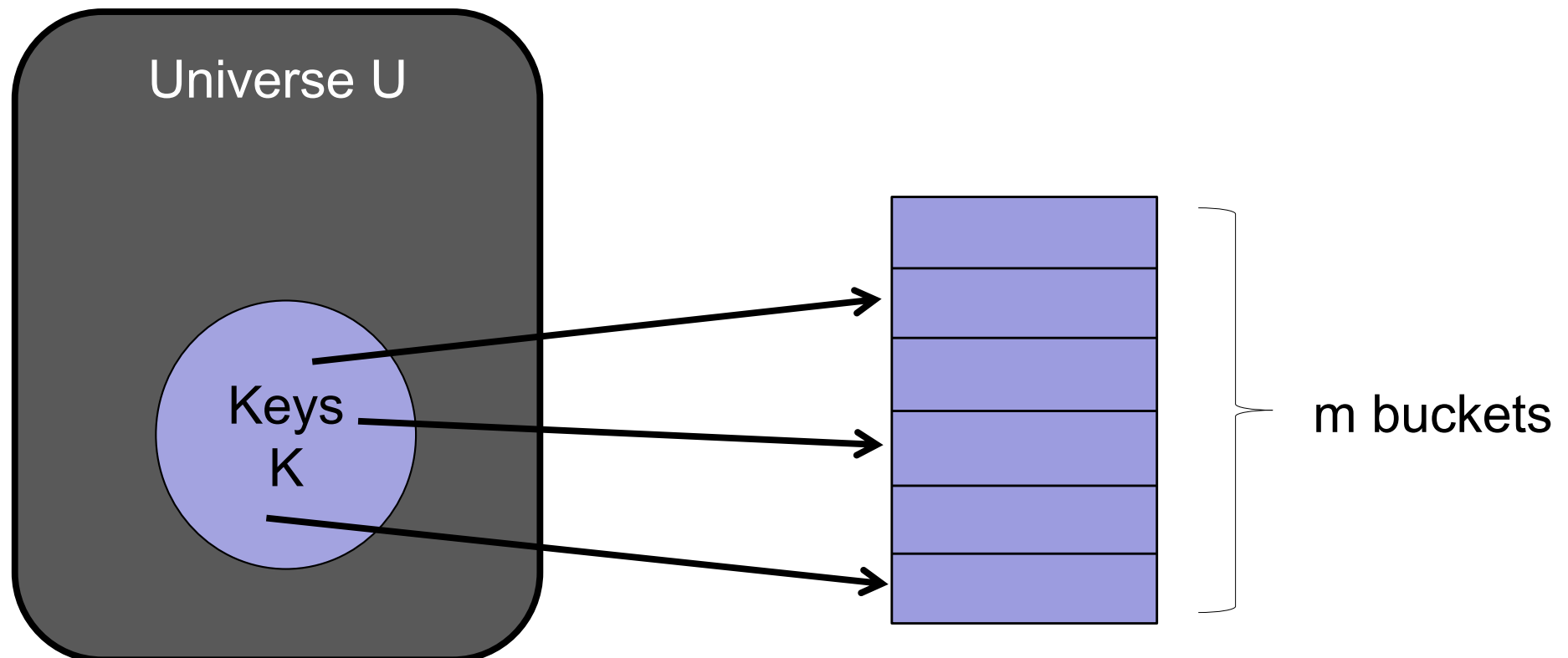
e.g., 2^{140}



Hash Functions

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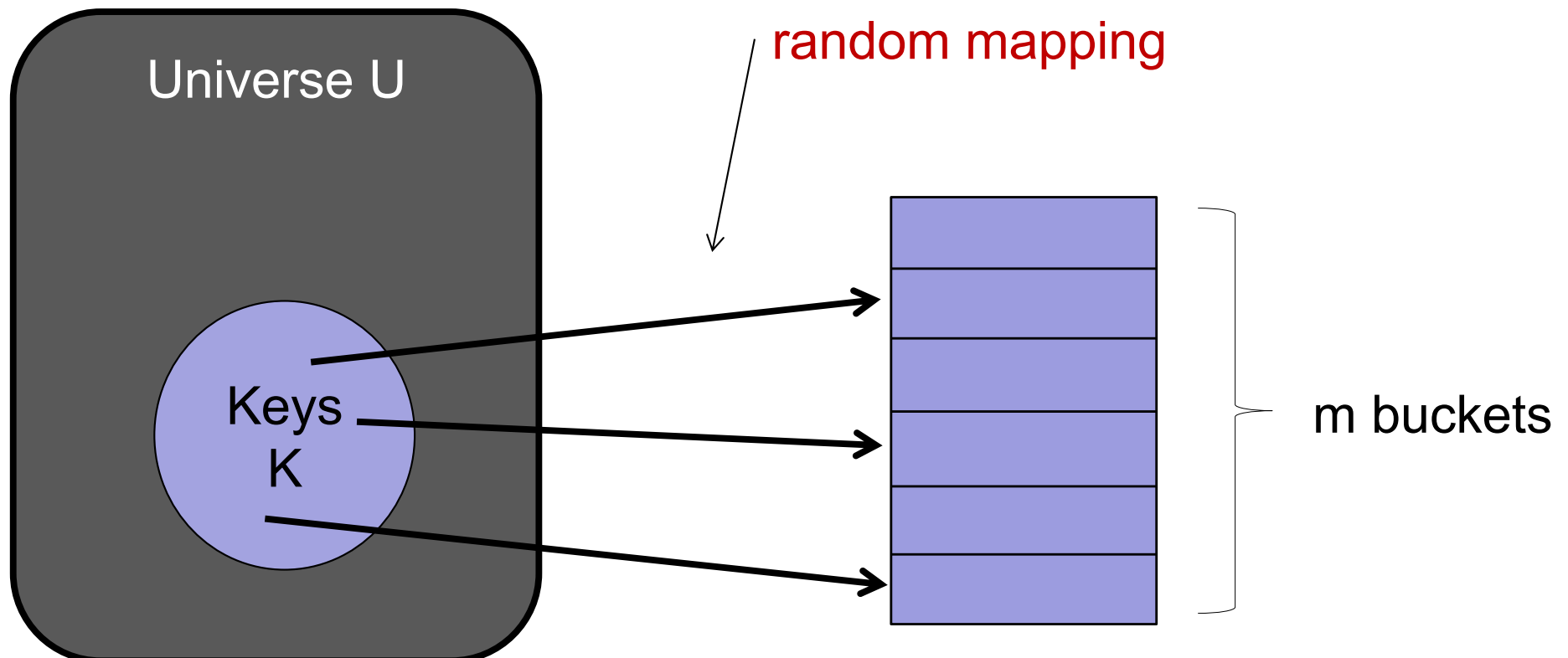
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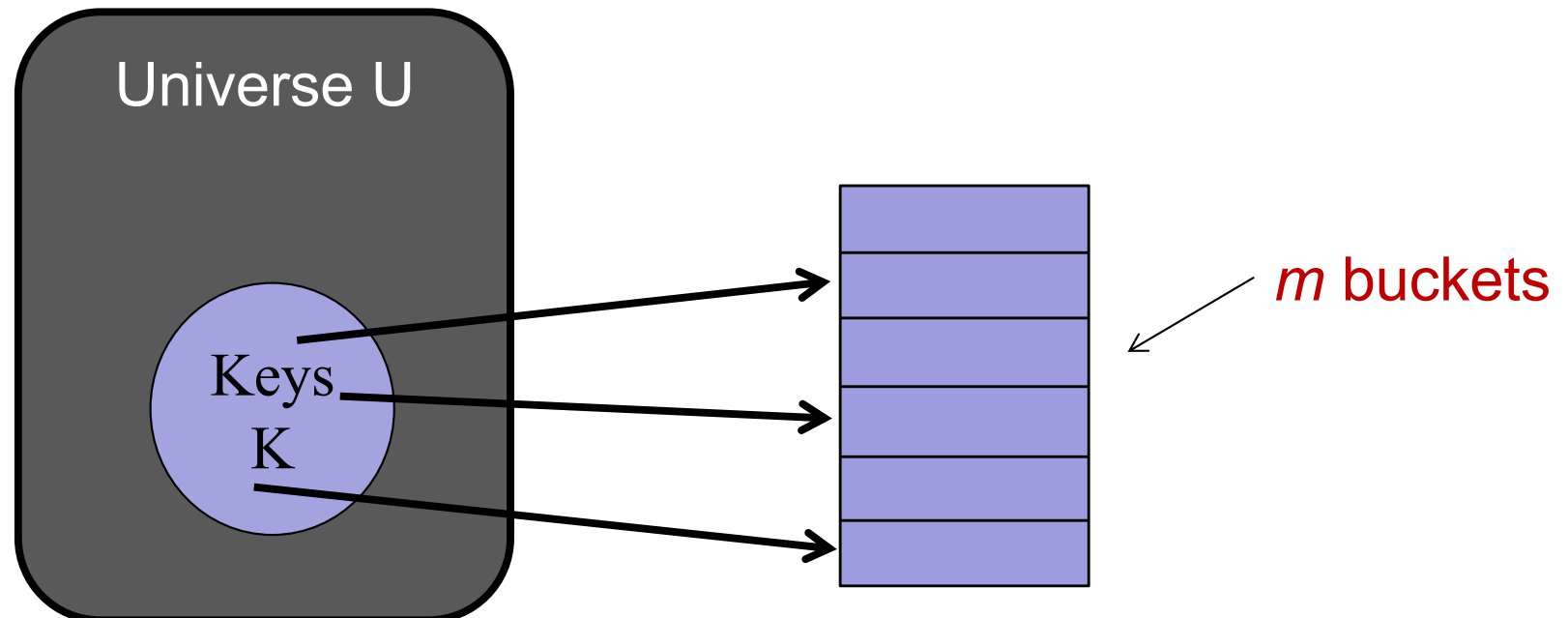
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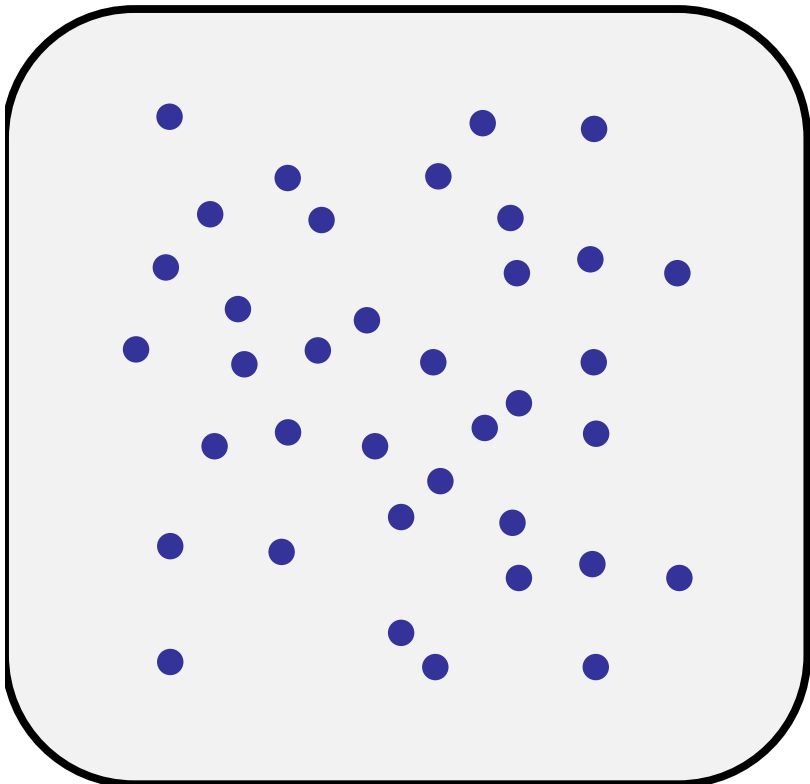
Hash Functions

Define hash function $h : U \rightarrow \{1..m\}$

- Store key k in bucket $h(k)$.
- Time complexity:
 - Time to compute h + Time to access bucket
- For now: assume hash function has cost 1 to compute.



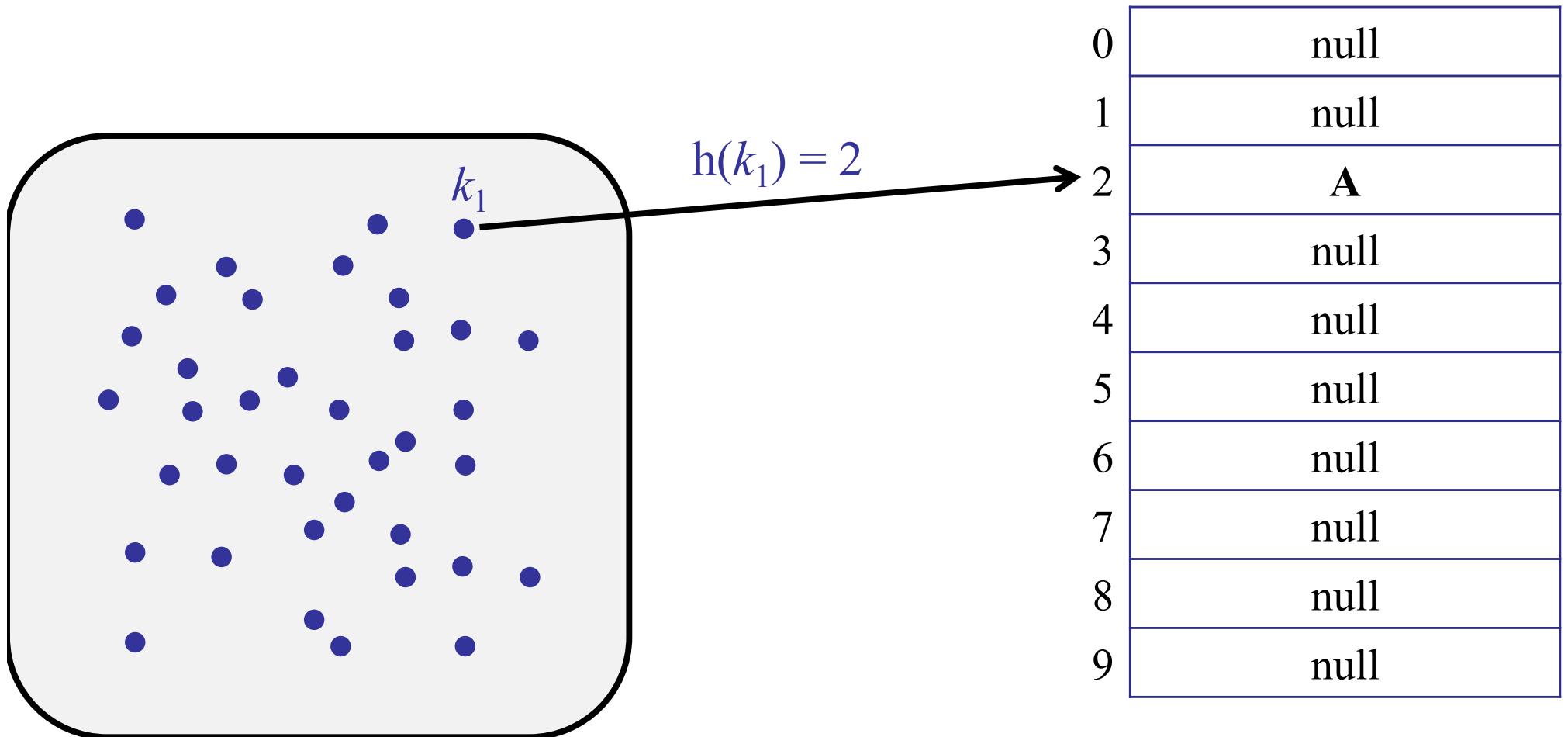
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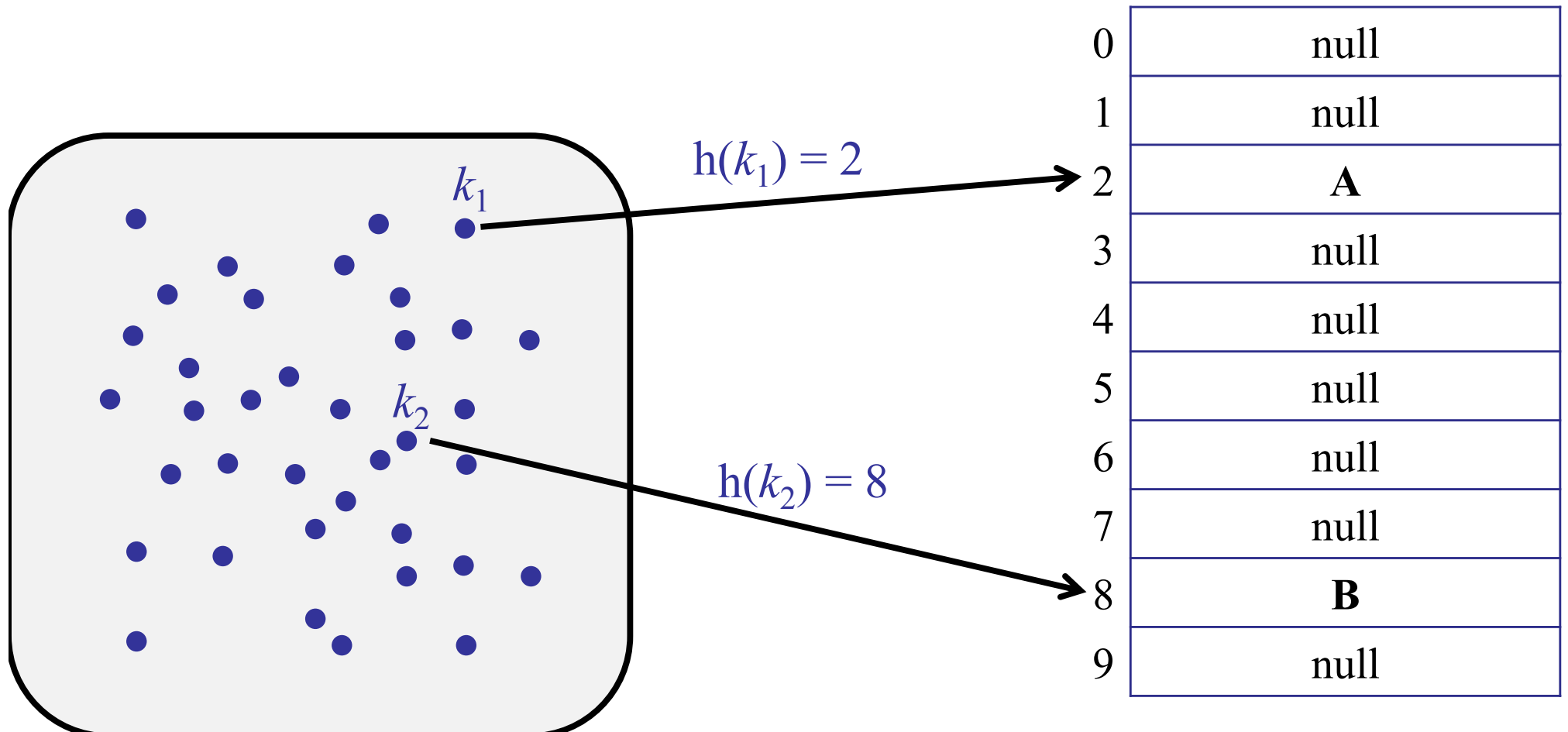
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Hash Functions

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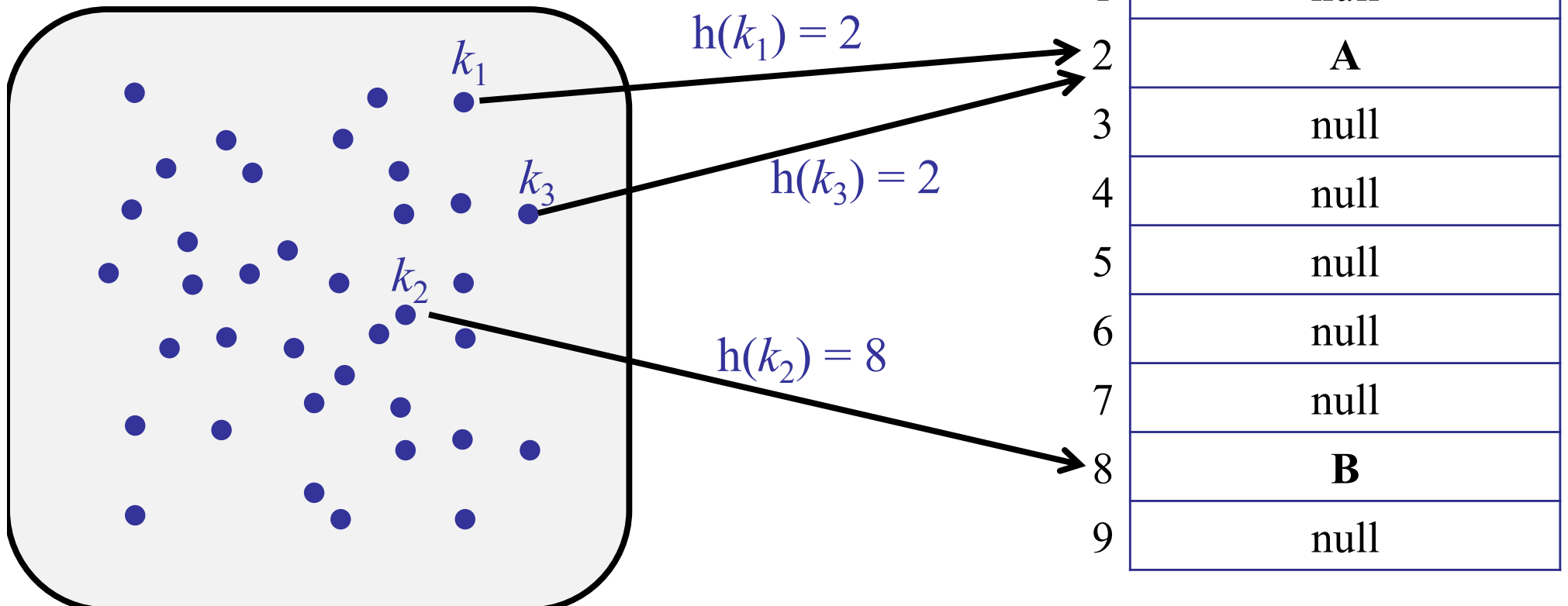
Hash Functions

$\text{insert}(k_1, A)$

$\text{insert}(k_2, B)$

$\text{insert}(k_3, C)$

Collision!



Hash Functions

Collisions:

- We say that two distinct keys k_1 and k_2 **collide** if:

$$h(k_1) = h(k_2)$$

Can we choose a hash function with no collisions?

1. Yes
2. Sometimes, if we choose carefully
- ✓ 3. No, impossible

Hash Functions

Collisions:

- We say that two distinct keys k_1 and k_2 **collide** if:

$$h(k_1) = h(k_2)$$

- Unavoidable!
 - The table size is smaller than the universe size.
 - The pigeonhole principle says:
 - There must exist two keys that map to the same bucket.
 - Some keys must collide!

Coping with Collision

- Idea: choose a new, better hash functions

Coping with Collision

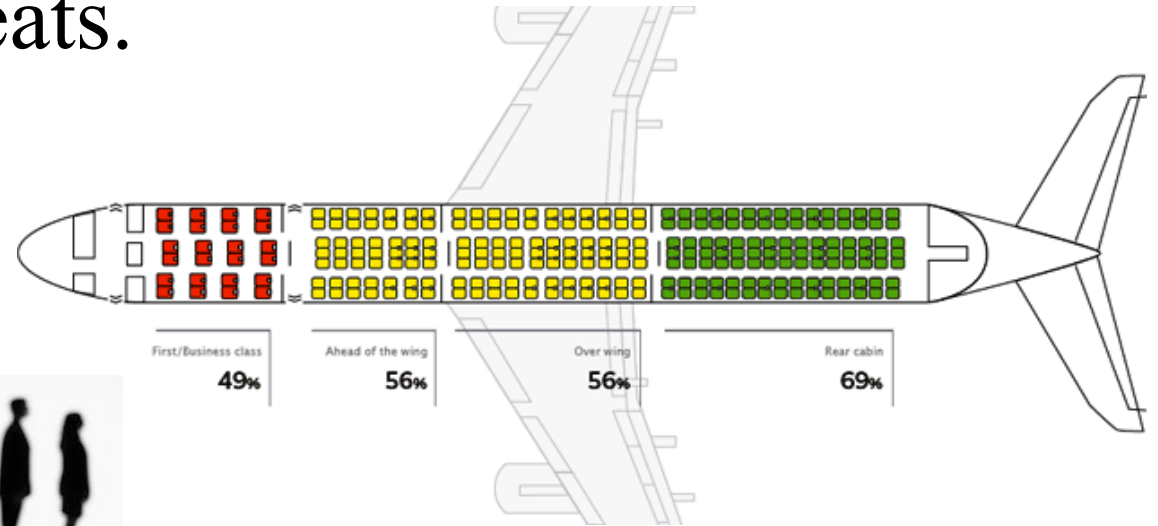
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- Idea: chaining (today)
 - Put both items in the same bucket!
- Idea: open addressing (next week)
 - Find another bucket for the new item.

Puzzle Break

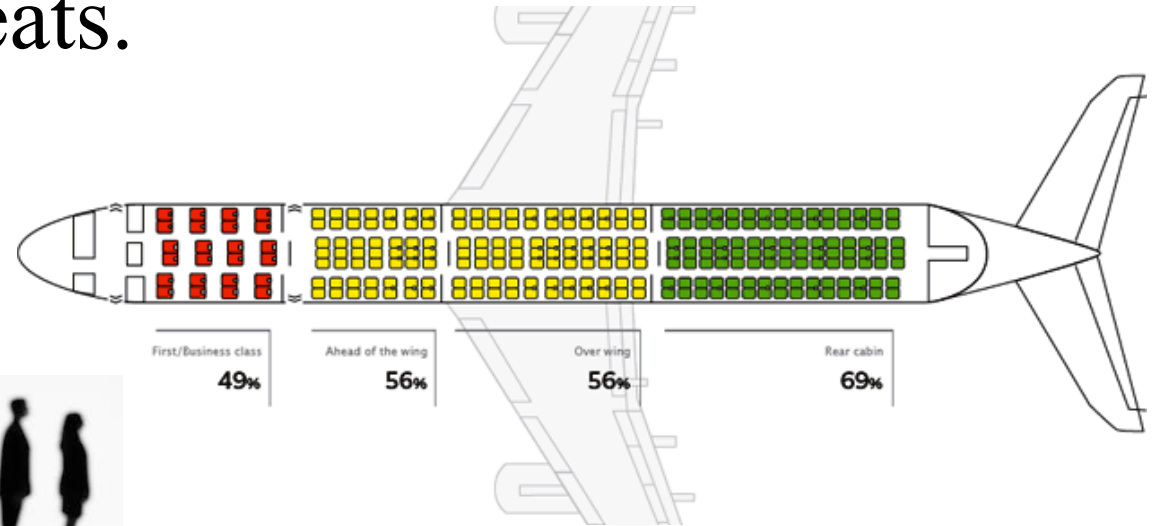
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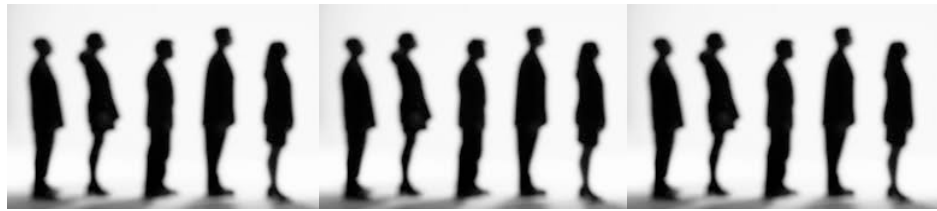
Passenger 1 is Mr. Burns.

Mr. Burns sits in a random seat.



Puzzle Break

An airplane has 100 seats.



Every other passenger:

- Sits in their assigned seat, if it is free.
- Otherwise, sits in a random seat.



Puzzle Break

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You are passenger #100.

What is the probability your seat is free when you board?



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Problem Solving techniques:

Try a plane with 2 seats. Try a plane with 3 seats.

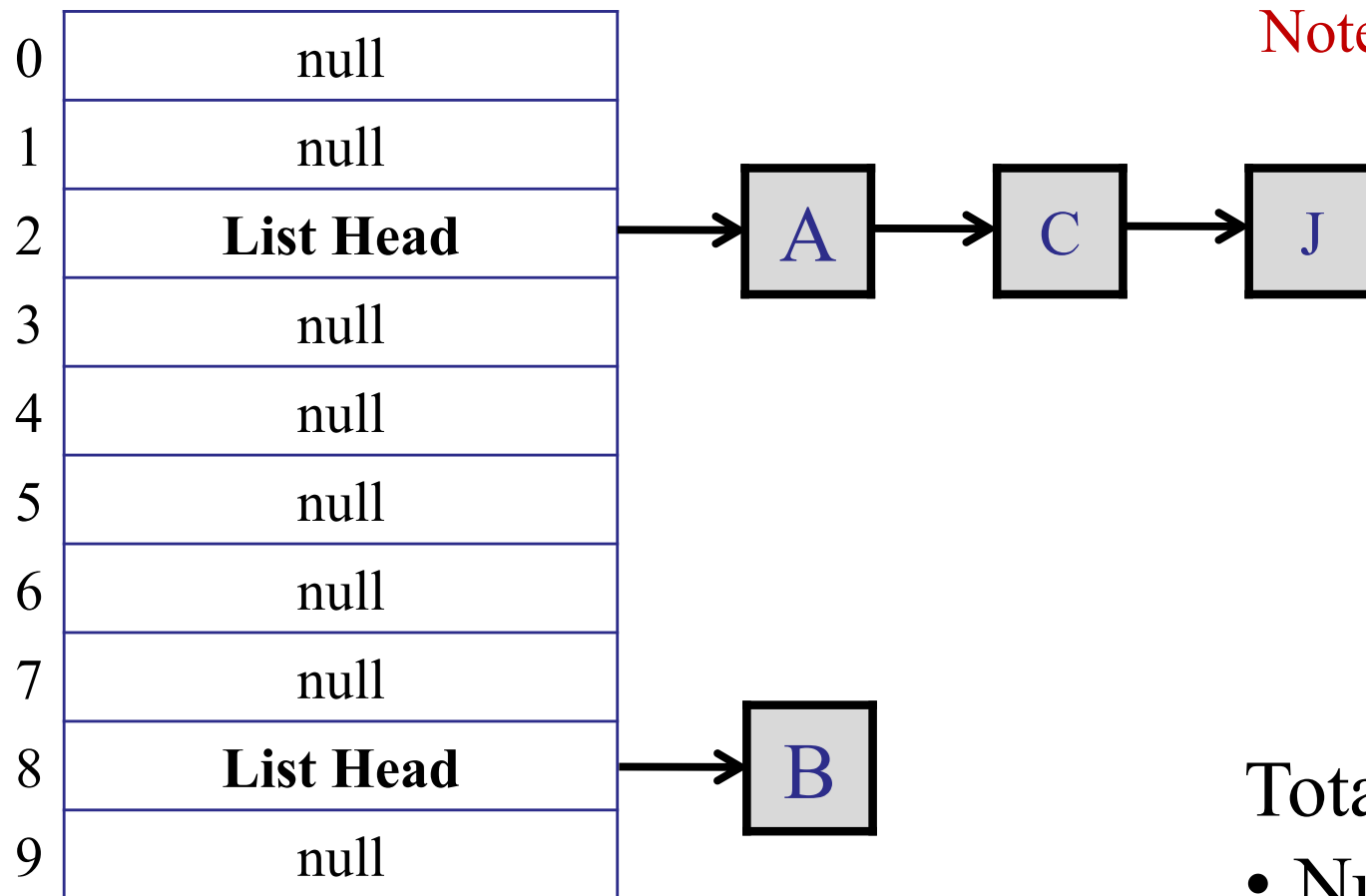


Coping with Collision

- Idea: choose a new, better hash functions
 - Hard to find.
 - Requires re-copying the table.
 - Eventually, there will be another collision.
- Idea: chaining (today)
 - Put both items in the same bucket!
- Idea: open addressing (next week)
 - Find another bucket for the new item.

Chaining

Each bucket contains a linked list of items.



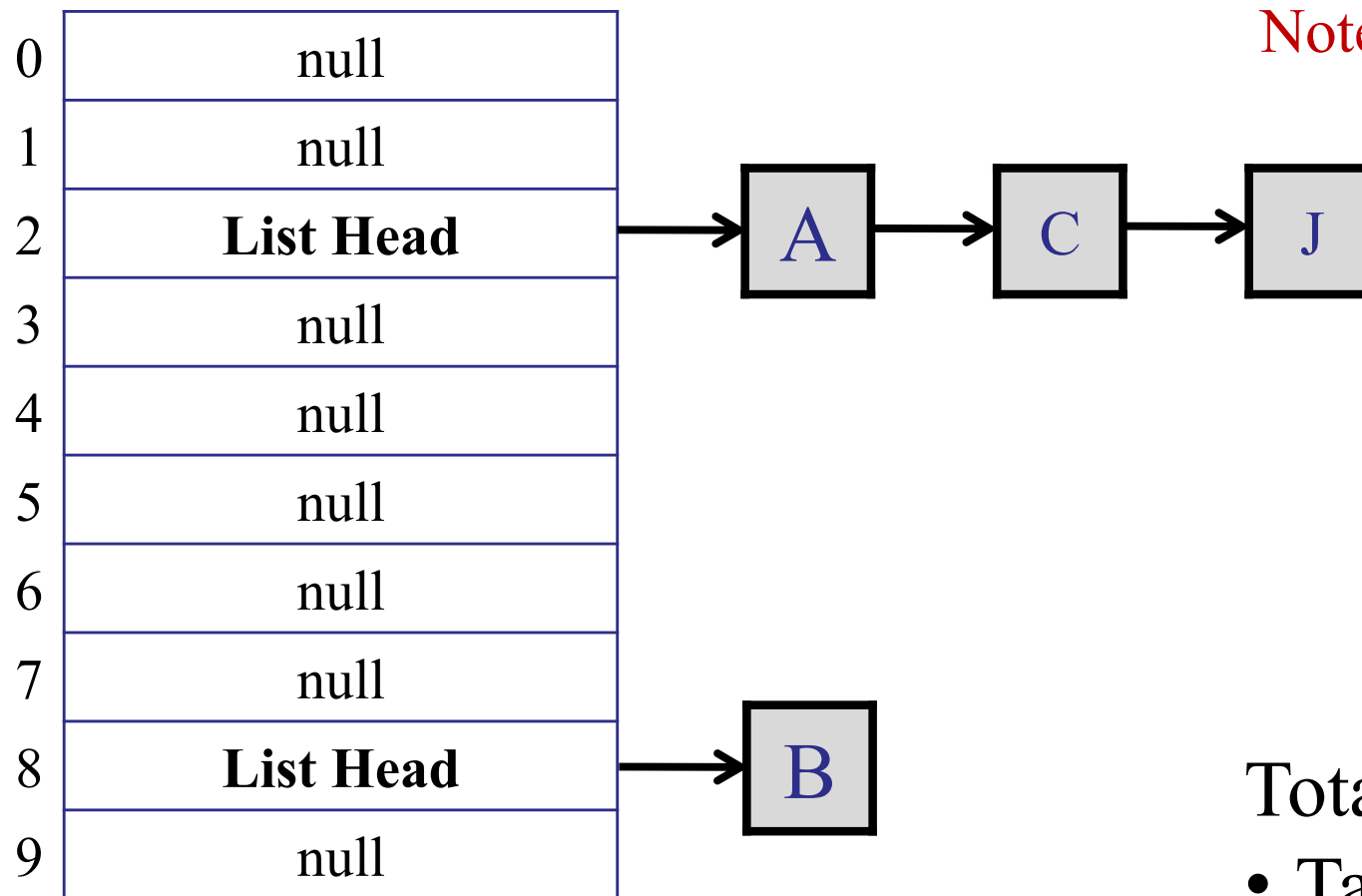
Note: $h(A) == h(C) == h(J)$

Total space:

- Number buckets: m
- Number entries: n

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Total space: $O(m + n)$

- Table size: m
- Linked list size: n

Hashing with Chaining

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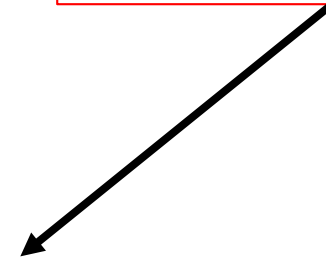
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Always $O(1)$.



What is the worst-case cost of searching a (key, value)?

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4. $O(n * \text{cost}(h))$
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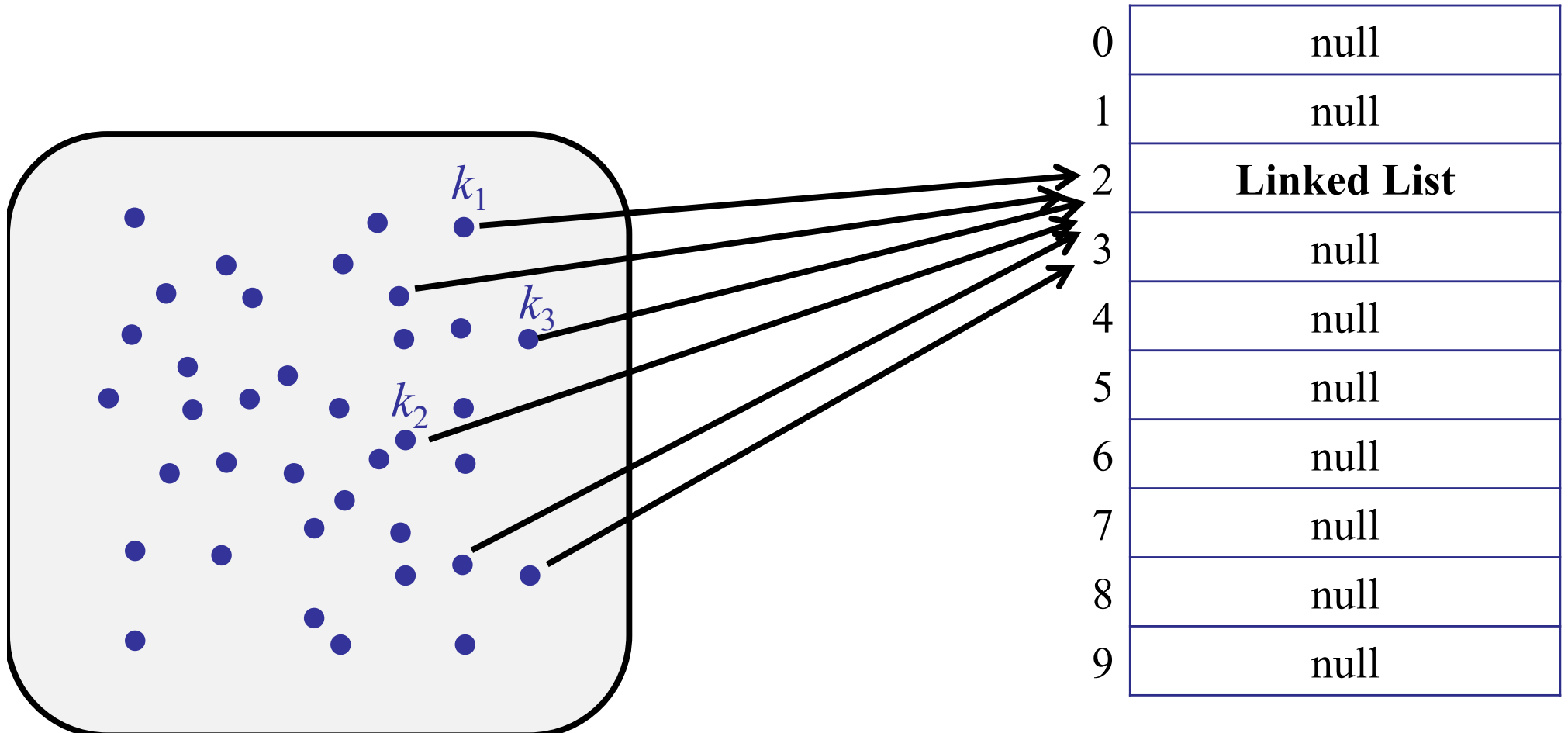
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- search(key) \rightarrow time depends on length of linked list
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Hashing with Chaining

Assume all keys hash to the same bucket!

- Search costs $O(n)$
- Oh no!



Let's be optimistic today.


The Simple Uniform Hashing Assumption

- Every key is equally likely to map to every bucket.
- Keys are mapped independently.

Intuition:

- Each key is put in a random bucket.
- Then, as long as there are enough buckets, we won't get too many keys in any one bucket.

Why don't we just insert each key into a random bucket (instead of using h)?

1. It would be slow to insert.
2. Computers don't have a real source of randomness.
3. By choosing the keys carefully, a user could force the random choices to create many collisions.
-  4. Searching would be very slow.
5. None of the above.

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- Expected search time = $1 + \text{expected \# items per bucket}$
 - hash function + array access
 - linked list traversal

Probability Theory

Set of outcomes for $X = (e_1, e_2, e_3, \dots, e_k)$:

- $\Pr(e_1) = p_1$
- $\Pr(e_2) = p_2$
- \dots
- $\Pr(e_k) = p_k$

Expected outcome:

$$E[X] = e_1 p_1 + e_2 p_2 + \dots + e_k p_k$$

Probability Theory

Linearity of Expectation:

- $E[A + B] = E[A] + E[B]$

Example:

- $A = \# \text{ heads in 2 coin flips}$
- $B = \# \text{ heads in 2 coin flips}$
- $A + B = \# \text{ heads in 4 coin flips}$

$$E[A+B] = E[A] + E[B] = 1 + 1 = 2$$

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A little more probability

Indicator random variables

$$\begin{aligned} X(i, j) &= 1 \quad \text{if item } i \text{ is put in bucket } j \\ &= 0 \quad \text{otherwise} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Pr(X(i, j) == 1) = ?$$

- ✓ 1. $1/m$
- 2. $1/n$
- 3. $1/(m+n)$
- 4. m/n
- 5. n/m
- 6. $\log(n)$

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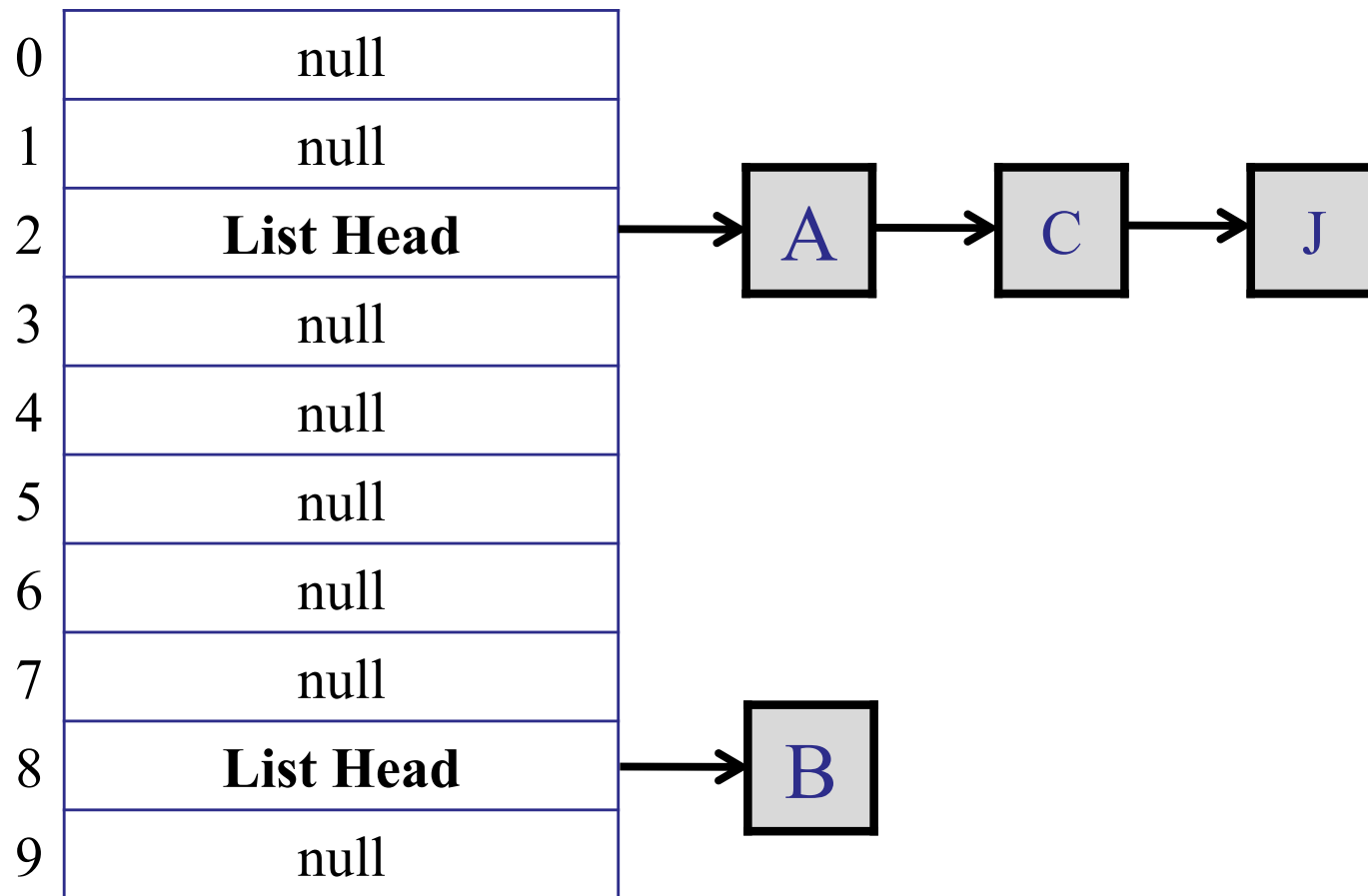
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What is the expected number of items in a bucket?



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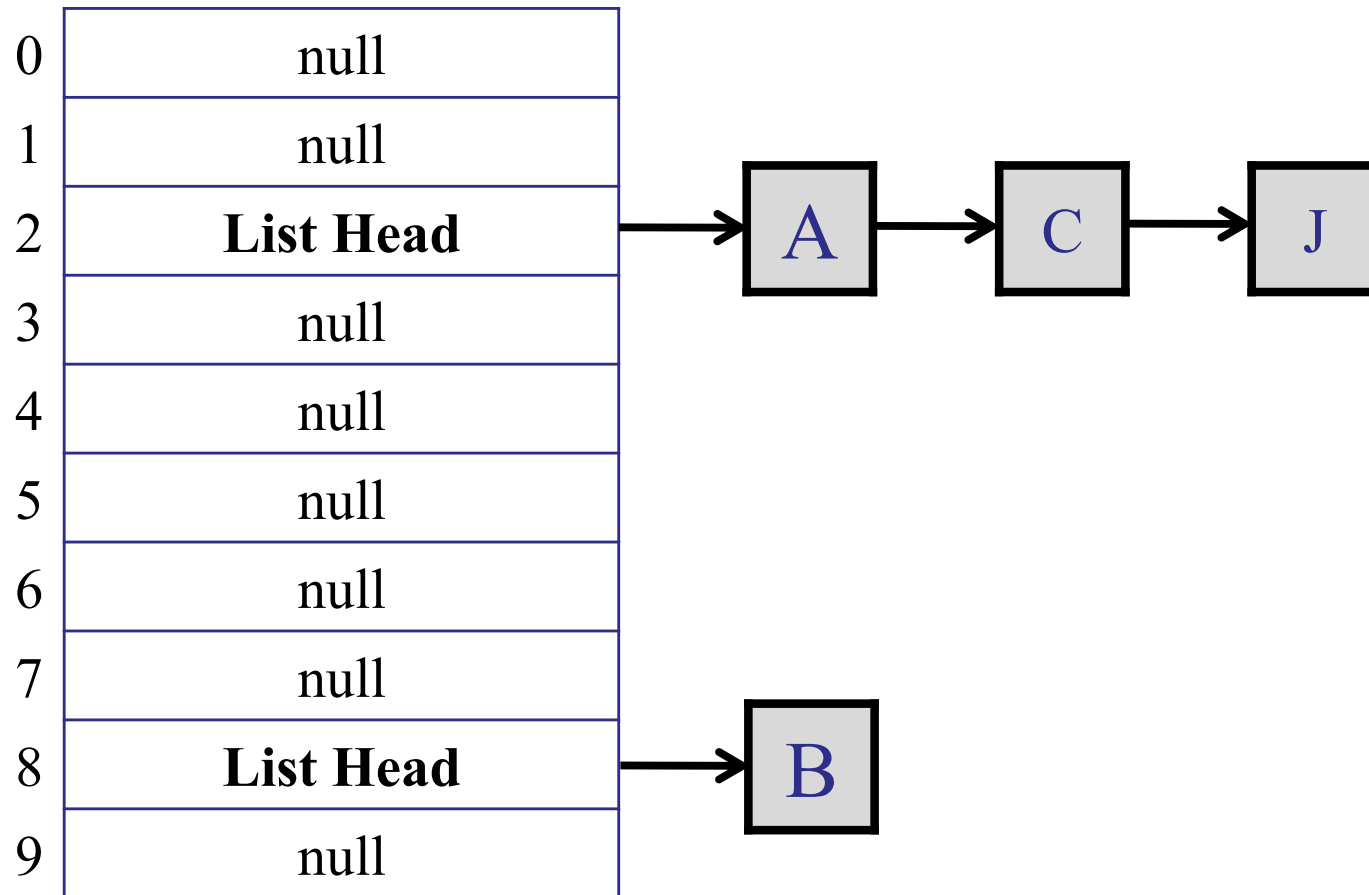
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Each item contributes `1` to the bucket it is in..



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Linearity of expectation: $E(A + B) = E(A) + E(B)$

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$$= \sum_i 1/m$$

$$= n/m$$

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- n items
- $m = \Omega(n)$ buckets, e.g., $m = 2n$

– Expected search time = $1 + n/m$
= $O(1)$

Hashing with Chaining

Searching:

- Expected search time = $1 + n/m = O(1)$
- Worst-case search time = $O(n)$

Inserting:

- Worst-case insertion time = $O(1)$

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Hashing: Recap

Problem: coping with large universe of keys

- Number of possible keys is very, very large.
- Direct Access Table takes too much space

Hash functions

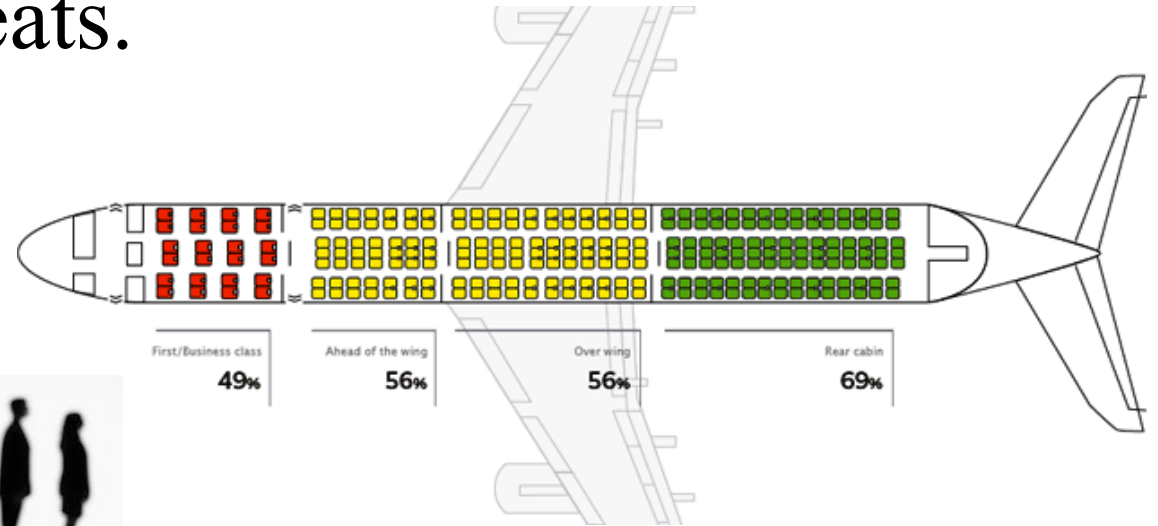
- Use hash function to map keys to buckets.
- Sometimes, keys collide (inevitably!)
- Use linked list to store multiple keys in one bucket.

Analyze performance with simple uniform hashing.

- Expected number of keys / bucket is $O(n/m) = O(1)$.

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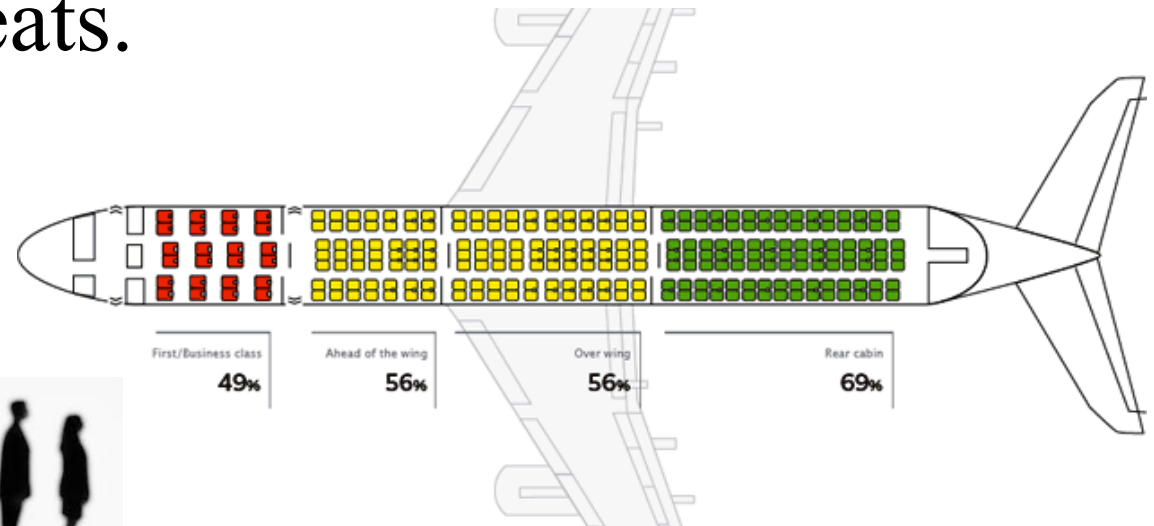
Passenger 1 is Mr. Burns.

Mr. Burns sits in a random seat.



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Every other passenger:

- Sits in their assigned seat, if it is free.
- Otherwise, sits in a random seat.



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