

HashTable:

T: TKey[]

m: Integer

h: TFunction

subalgorithm insert (ht, e) **is:**

//pre: ht is a HashTable, e is a TKey

//post: e was added in ht

i ← 0

pos ← ht.h(e, i)

while i < ht.m and ht.T[pos] ≠ -1 **execute**

// -1 means empty space

i ← i + 1

pos ← ht.h(e, i)

end-while

if i = ht.m **then**

 @resize and rehash and compute the position for e again

else

 ht.T[pos] ← e

end-if

end-subalgorithm

- Removing an element from a hash table with open addressing is not simple:
 - we cannot just mark the position empty - *search* might not find other elements
 - you cannot move elements - *search* might not find other elements
- Remove is usually implemented to mark the deleted position with a special value, *DELETED*.
- In a hash table with open addressing with load factor $\alpha = n/m$ ($\alpha < 1$), the *average* number of probes is at most
 - for *insert* and *unsuccessful search*

$$\frac{1}{1 - \alpha}$$

- for *successful search*

$$\frac{1}{\alpha} * \ln \frac{1}{1 - \alpha}$$

- If α is constant, the complexity is $\Theta(1)$
- Worst case complexity is $\Theta(n)$