Admin

- Today's topics
 - Hashing
- Reading
 - Ch II
- ♦ Terman café today after class
 - Last chance!

Lecture #24

Compare Map implementations

 $\begin{array}{cccc} & Vector & Sorted\,Vector & BST \\ getValue & O(N) & O(logN) & O(logN) \\ add & O(N) & O(N) & O(logN) \end{array}$

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A completely different tactic

- ♦ How do you look up word in dictionary?
 - Linear search?
 - Binary search?
 - A-Z tabs...?
- Hashtable idea
 - Table maintains B different "buckets"
 - Buckets are numbered 0 to B-I
 - Hash function maps a key to value in range 0 to B-I
 - add/getValue hash key to determine which bucket it belongs in
 - only search/modify this one bucket

Hash functions

- ♦ Hash function maps key to a number
 - Result constrained to some range
 - Result is stable
 - Same key in -> same number out
- ♦ Goal to distribute keys over range
 - Bad if many keys map to 17 and none to 22
- Possible hash functions
 - First letter?
 - Length of word?
 - Sum of ASCII values for letters?

Hash collisions

- What happens if several keys hash to same code?
 - Called a collision
- ♦ Good hash function tries to avoid, but no guarantee
- ♦ One strategy is "chaining"
 - Keys within bucket are stored in a linked list
 - Each list expected to be small, so easy to traverse

Hashtable performance

- ♦ Time required for getValue & add?
 - Hash to bucket, search chain = O(N/B)
 - Use basically same steps for both operations
- ♦ How to determine number of buckets?
 - If same as num entries, operations are O(1)!
- ♦ How to store each bucket?
 - Array vs linked list vs vector?
 - Should entries be sorted?
- Rehashing
 - Track "load factor" (nEntries/nBuckets), when too high, resize table, and rehash everything

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 - Hash uses 4 bytes per entry + 4 bytes per bucket, total 8 bytes per entry
 - Does hash have degenerate cases?

Hashing generic types

- Map requires key to be string type
- What about a 2-type template?
 template <typename KeyType, typename ValType>
 class Map {
 public:
 Map();
 void add(KeyType k, ValType v);
 ...
 };
- Client usage:
 Map<string, int> s;

Map<string, int> s;
Map<int, Vector<string> > t;

What would this require from client?

Implementing Set

- ♦ Last ADT in the 106 class library
 - Goal: fast search (contains), fast update (add/remove), hopefully efficient high-level ops (browse in order will help)
- What strategies might work?
 - Vector/array (sorted?)
 - Linked list
 - Trees
 - Hashing
- Our set build on BST template
 - BST is balanced binary search tree abstraction

Class library

- ♦ Last ADT in the 106 class library
- What strategies might work?
 - Vector/array (sorted?)
 - Linked list
 - Trees
 - Hashing
- ♦ Goals
 - Fast search, fast update (add/remove)