CSE 332: Data Structures & Parallelism

Lecture 12: More Hashing

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Some midterm announcements!

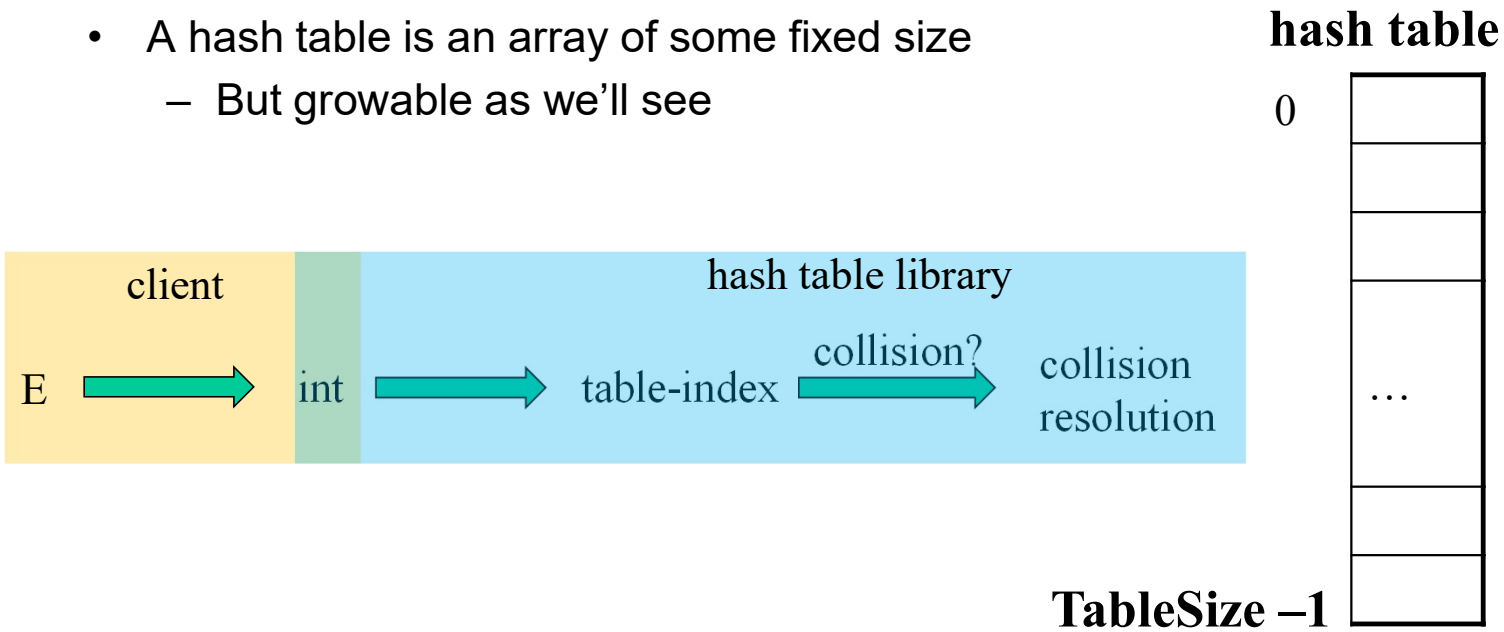
- See EdStem
  - Midterm Topics / Policies
  - Midterm Study Resources
    - Midterm Review Session @ SAV 260,Tuesday 4/26, 3:30-4:45

Today

- Dictionaries
  - Hashing

Hash Tables: Review

- Aim for constant-time (i.e., *O*(1)) **`find`**, **`insert`**, and **`delete`**
  - "On average" under some reasonable assumptions
- A hash table is an array of some fixed size
  - But growable as we'll see



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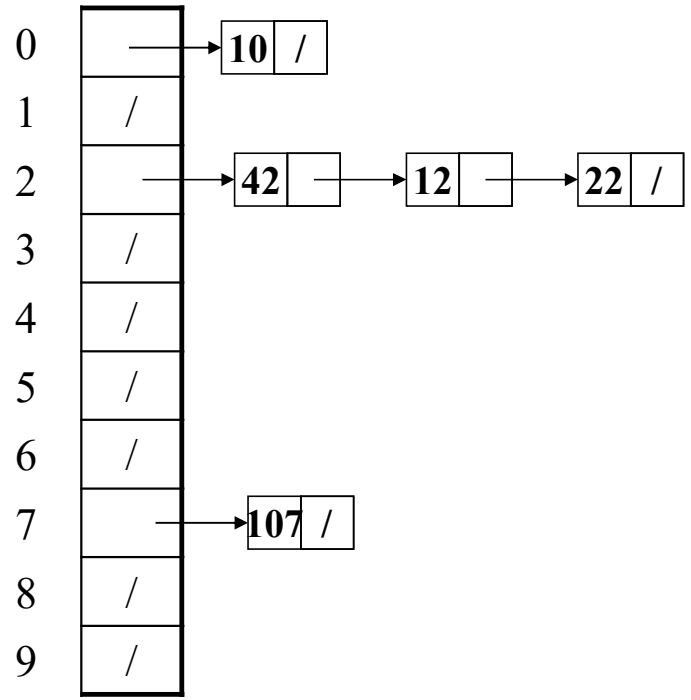

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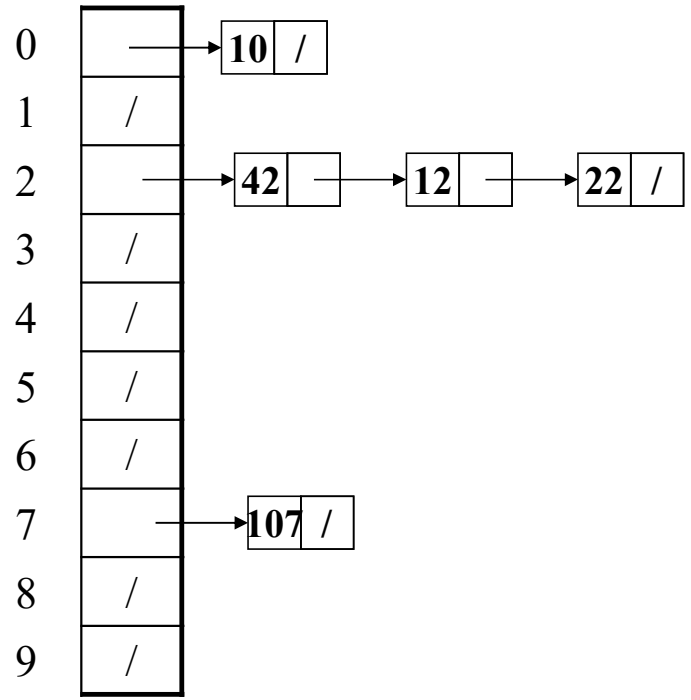

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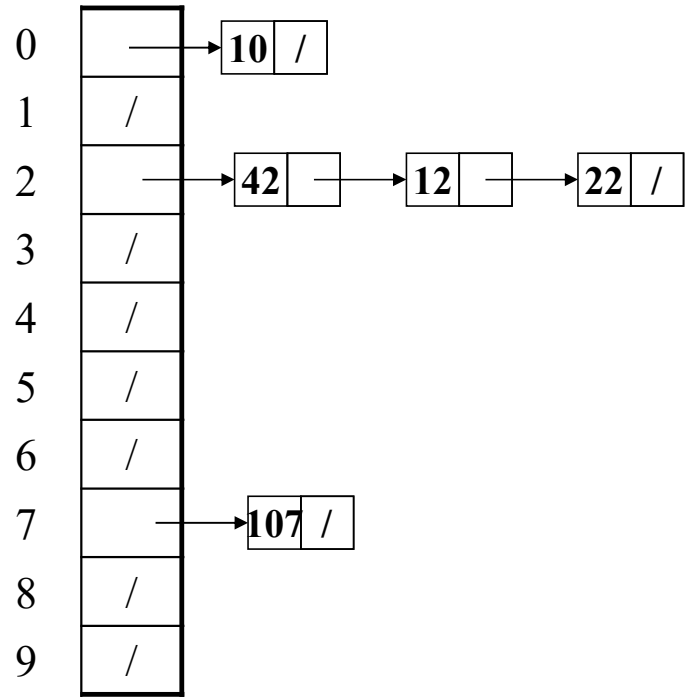

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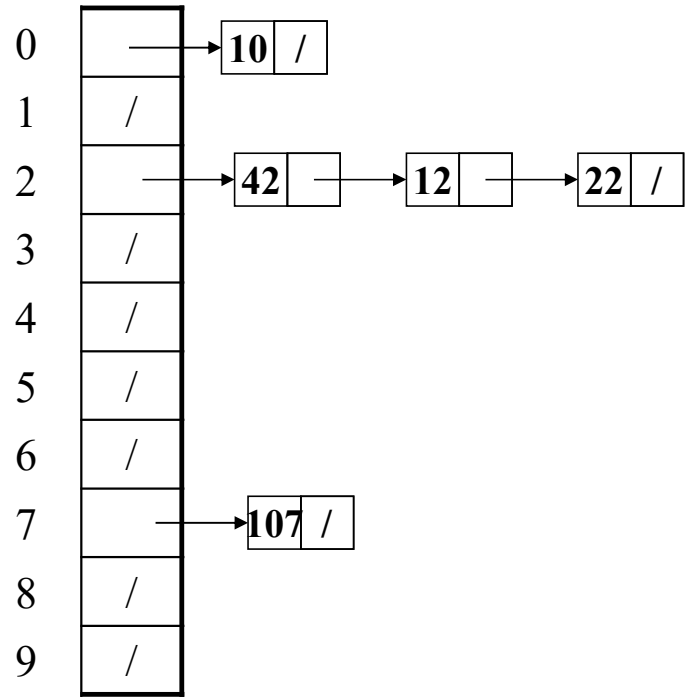

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O(λ)

More rigorous separate chaining analysis

Definition: The load factor, λ, of a hash table is

$$\lambda = \frac{\text{N}}{\text{TableSize}} \quad \leftarrow \textbf{number of elements}$$

Under chaining, the average number of elements per bucket is λ

So if some inserts are followed by *random* finds, then on average:

- Each unsuccessful **`find`** compares against λ items
- Each successful **`find`** compares against $\lambda / 2$ items
- If λ is low, find & insert likely to be O(1)
- We like to keep λ around 1 for separate chaining

Hashing Choices

1. Choose a Hash function
2. Choose TableSize
3. Choose a Collision Resolution Strategy from these:
   - Separate Chaining
   - Open Addressing
     - Linear Probing
     - Quadratic Probing
     - Double Hashing

- Other issues to consider:
  - Deletion?
  - What to do when the hash table gets “too full”?

Open Addressing: Linear Probing

- Why not use up the empty space in the table?
- Store directly in the array cell (no linked list)
- How to deal with collisions?
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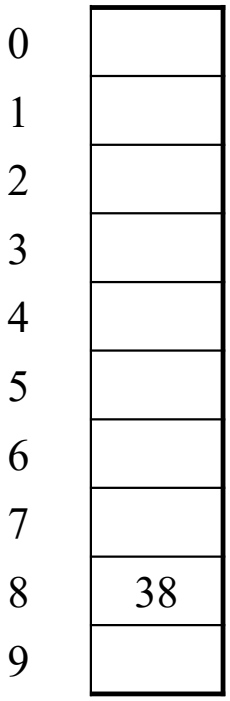

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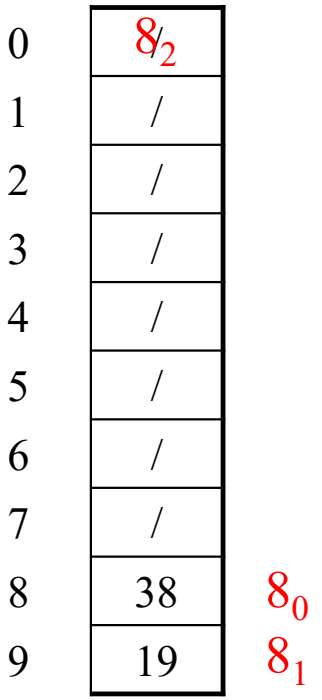

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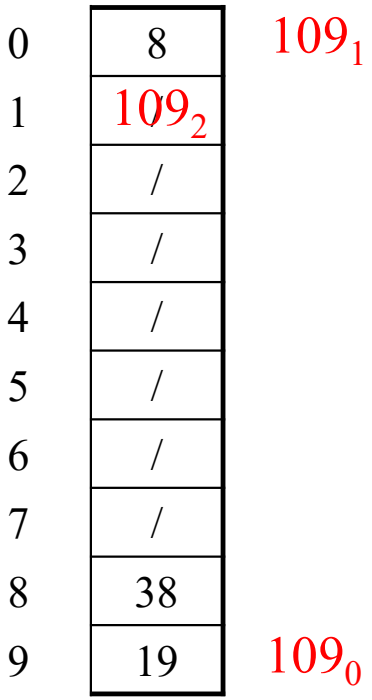

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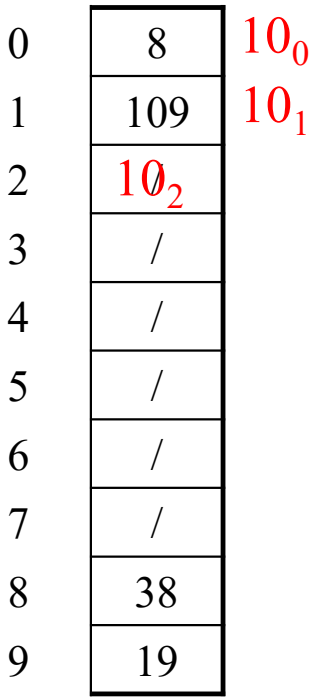

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Open addressing

Linear probing is *one example* of open addressing

In general, open addressing means resolving collisions by trying a sequence of other positions in the table.

Trying the *next* spot is called probing

- We just did linear probing:
  - `i`th probe: `(h(key) + i) % TableSize`
- In general have some probe function `f` and :
  - `i`th probe: `(h(key) + f(i)) % TableSize`

Open addressing does poorly with high load factor λ

- So want larger tables
- Too many probes means no more $O(1)$

Aside: Terminology

We and the book use the terms

- "chaining" or "separate chaining"
- "open addressing"

Very confusingly,

- "open hashing" is a synonym for "chaining"
- "closed hashing" is a synonym for "open addressing"

Questions: Open Addressing: Linear Probing

How should **`find`** work? If value is in table? If not there?

Worst case scenario for **`find`**?

How should we implement **`delete`**?

How does **open addressing with linear probing** compare to **separate chaining**?

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Open Addressing: Other Operations

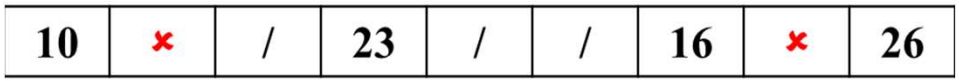
`insert` finds an open table position using a probe function

What about **`find`**?

- Must use same probe function to "retrace the trail" for the data
- Unsuccessful search when reach empty position

What about **`delete`**?

- ***Must*** use "lazy" deletion. Why?
  - Marker indicates "no data here, but don't stop probing"

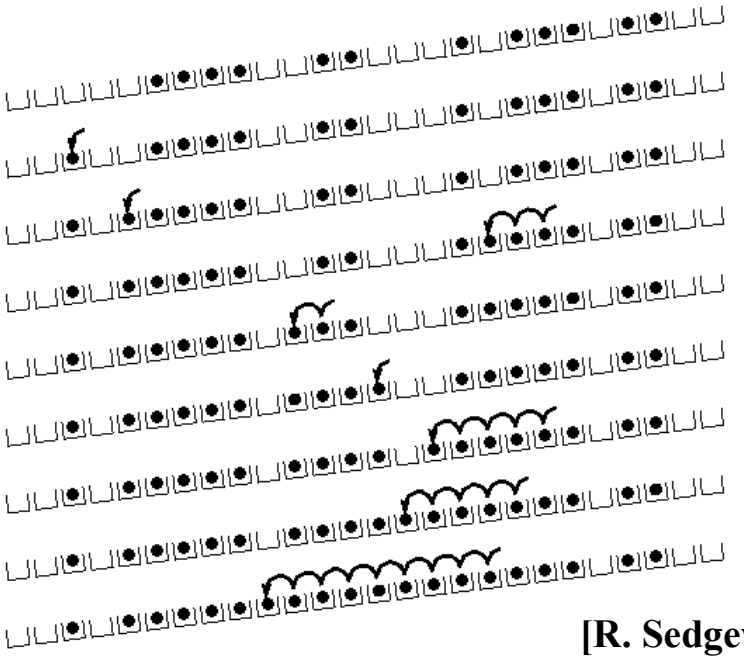


  - As with lazy deletion on other data structures, on insert, spots marked "deleted" can be filled in.
- Note: **`delete`** with chaining is just calling delete on the bucket (e.g. linked list)

Primary Clustering

It turns out linear probing is a *bad idea*, even though the probe function is quick to compute (a good thing)

- Tends to produce *clusters*, which lead to long probe sequences
- Called primary clustering
- Saw the start of a cluster in our linear probing example



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Analysis of Linear Probing

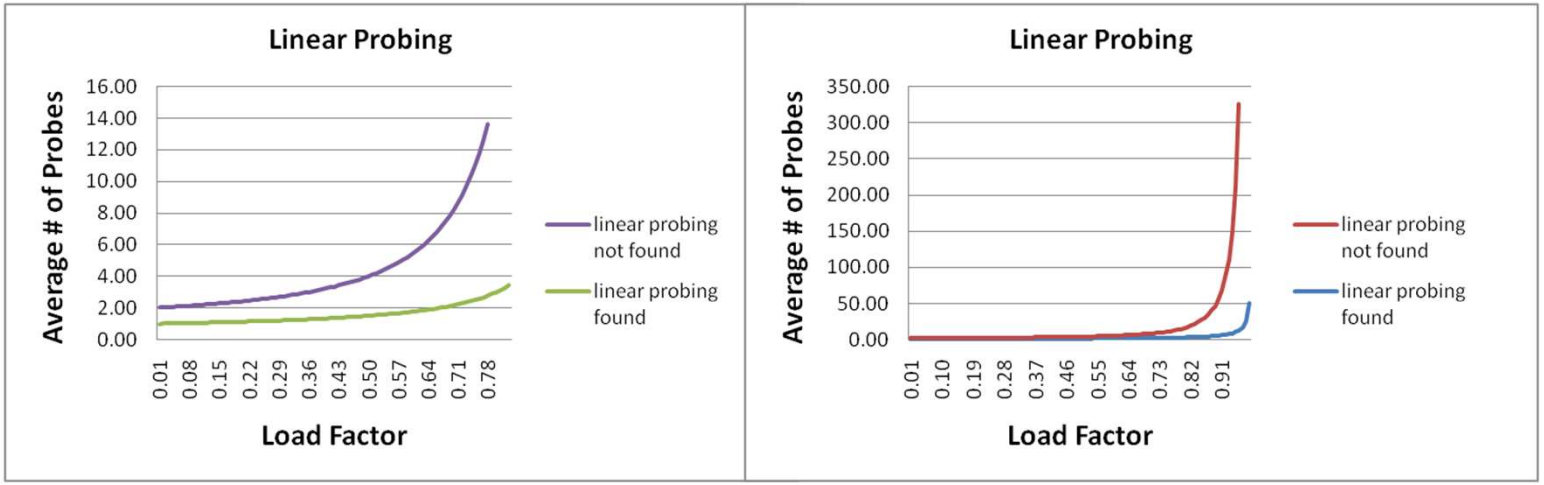
- **Trivial fact:** For any $\lambda < 1$, linear probing will find an empty slot
  - It is "safe" in this sense: no infinite loop unless table is full

- **Non-trivial facts** we won't prove:
  Average # of probes given λ (in the limit as `TableSize` $\rightarrow \infty$)
  - Unsuccessful search: $\frac{1}{2}\left(1+\frac{1}{(1-\lambda)^2}\right)$
  - Successful search: $\frac{1}{2}\left(1+\frac{1}{(1-\lambda)}\right)$

- This is pretty bad: need to leave sufficient empty space in the table to get decent performance (see chart)

Analysis in chart form

- Linear-probing performance degrades rapidly as table gets full
  - (Formula assumes "large table" but point remains)



- By comparison, separate chaining performance is linear in λ and has no trouble with λ***>1***

Open Addressing: Linear probing

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- For linear probing:

  `f(i) = i`

- So probe sequence is:
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Open Addressing: Quadratic probing

- We can avoid primary clustering by changing the probe function…

  (h(key) + f(i)) % TableSize

  – For quadratic probing:

  f(i) = i^2

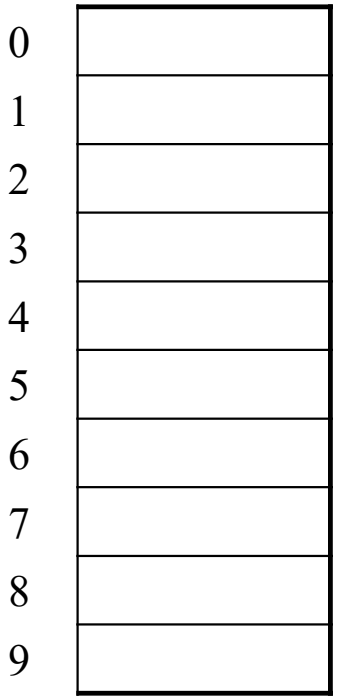
  – So probe sequence is:

  - 0th probe: **h(key) % TableSize**
  - 1st probe: **(h(key) + 1) % TableSize**
  - 2nd probe: **(h(key) + 4) % TableSize**
  - 3rd probe: **(h(key) + 9) % TableSize**
  - …
  - ith probe: **(h(key) + i^2) % TableSize**

- Intuition: Probes quickly “leave the neighborhood”

ith probe: (`h(key) + i`^{2}`) % TableSize`

Quadratic Probing Example



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Insert:
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49
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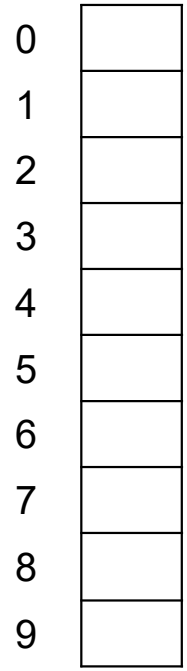

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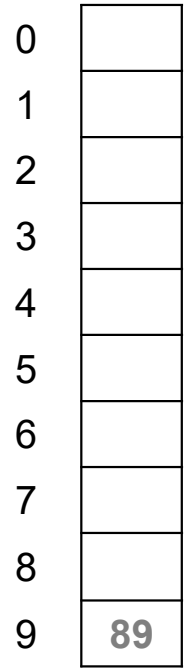

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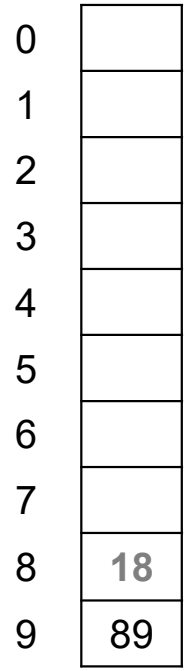

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49 % 10 = 9 collision!

(49 + 1) % 10 = 0

insert(58)

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TableSize = 10

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58 % 10 = 8 collision!

(58 + 1) % 10 = 9 collision!

(58 + 4) % 10 = 2

insert(79)

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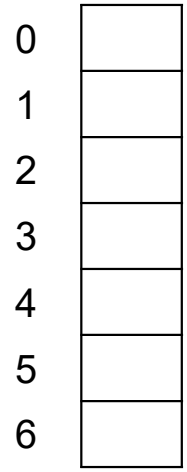

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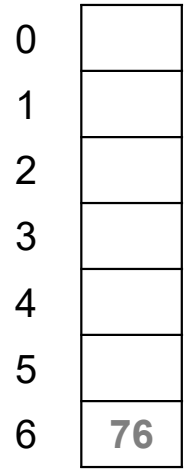

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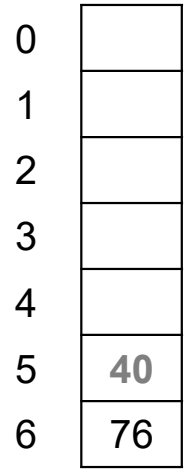

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Will we ever get a 1 or 4?!?

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47 **(47 % 7 = 5)**

(47 + 1) % 7 = 6 collision!

(47 + 4) % 7 = 2 collision!

(47 + 9) % 7 = 0 collision!

(47 + 16) % 7 = 0 collision!

(47 + 25) % 7 = 2 collision!

Another Quadratic Probing Example

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1	
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insert(47) will always fail here. Why?

For all *i*, $(5 + i^2) \% 7$ is 0, 2, 5, or 6

Proof uses induction and

$$(5 + i^2) \% 7 = (5 + (i - 7)^2) \% 7$$

In fact, for all *c* and *k*,

$$(c + i^2) \% k = (c + (i - k)^2) \% k$$

From bad news to good news

Bad News:

- After **`TableSize`** quadratic probes, we cycle through the same indices

Good News:

- If **`TableSize`** is *prime* and $\lambda < ½$, then quadratic probing will find an empty slot in at most **`TableSize/2`** probes
- So: If you keep $\lambda < ½$ and **`TableSize`** is *prime*, no need to detect cycles
- Proof posted in **`lecture11.txt`** (slightly less detailed proof in textbook)

For prime **`TableSize`** and **`0 ≤ i,j ≤ TableSize/2`** where **`i ≠ j,`**

`(h(key) + i²) % TableSize ≠ (h(key) + j²) % TableSize`

That is, if **`TableSize`** is prime, the first **`TableSize`**/2 quadratic probes map to different locations (and one of those will be empty if the table is < half full).

Quadratic Probing: Success guarantee for $\lambda < ½$

First size/2 probes distinct. If < half full, one is empty.

- If size is prime and $\lambda < ½$, then quadratic probing will find an empty slot in size/2 probes or fewer.
  - show for all $0 \le i,j \le size/2$ and $i \ne j$

    $(h(x) + i^2) \bmod size \ne (h(x) + j^2) \bmod size$

    (ith probe and jth probe map to distinct locations)
  - by contradiction: suppose that for some i ≠ j:

    $(h(x) + i^2) \bmod size = (h(x) + j^2) \bmod size$

    $\Rightarrow \; i^2 \bmod size = j^2 \bmod size$

    $\Rightarrow (i^2 - j^2) \bmod size = 0$

    $\Rightarrow [(i + j)(i - j)] \bmod size = 0$

  BUT size does not divide $(i - j)$ or $(i + j)$

  How can $i + j = 0$ or $i + j = size$ when:

  $i \ne j$ and $0 \le i,j \le size/2$?

  Similarly how can $i - j = 0$ or $i - j = size$?

(Do not need proof for this class, but just know the guarantee for < half full)

Clustering reconsidered

- Quadratic probing does not suffer from primary clustering:
  As we resolve collisions we are not merely growing "big blobs" by adding one more item to the end of a cluster, we are looking i^2 locations away, for the next possible spot.

- But quadratic probing does not help resolve collisions between keys that initially hash *to the same **index***
  - Any 2 keys that initially hash to the same index **will have the same series of moves after that** looking for any empty spot
  - Called secondary clustering

- Can avoid secondary clustering with *a probe function that depends on the key*: double hashing…

Open Addressing: Double hashing

Idea: Given two good hash functions *h* and *g*, and two different keys *k1* and *k2*, it is very unlikely that: `h(k1)==h(k2)` and `g(k1)==g(k2)`

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- For double hashing:

  `f(i) = i*g(key)`

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- Detail: Make sure `g(key)` can't be `0`

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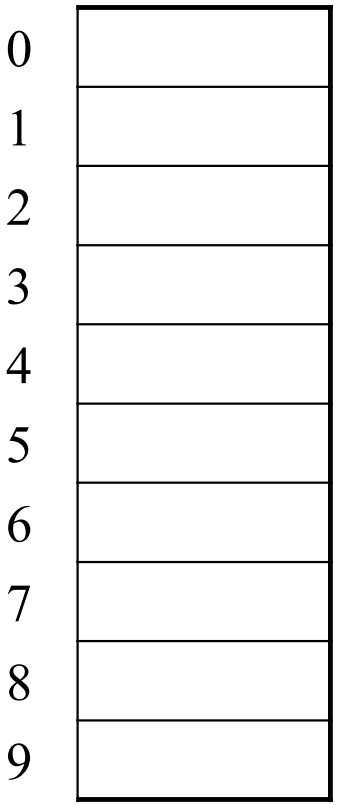

T = 10 (TableSize)

Hash Functions:

h(key) = key mod T

g(key) = 1 + ((key/T) mod (T-1))

Insert these values into the hash table in this order. Resolve any collisions with double hashing:

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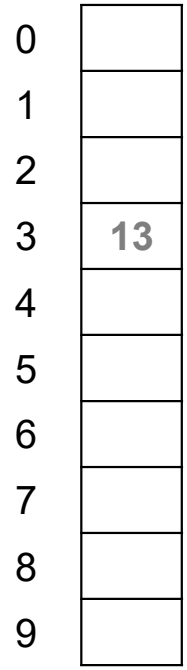

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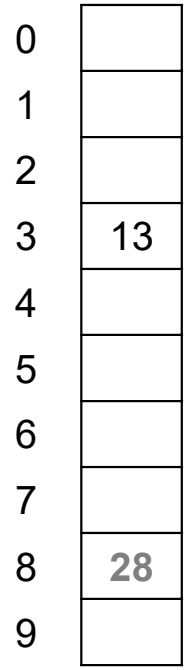

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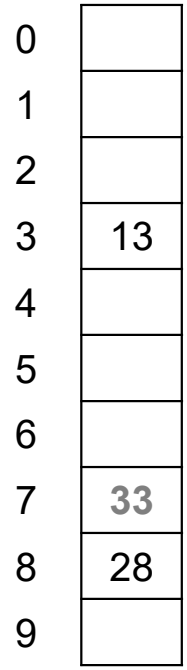

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43 → **g(43) = 1 + 4 mod 9 = 5**

We have a problem:

3 + 0 = 3 3 + **5** = **8** **3** + 10 = **13**

3 + **15** = **18** 3 + 20 = 23

Double-hashing analysis

Intuition: Since each probe is "jumping" by `g(key)` each time, we "leave the neighborhood" *and* "go different places from other initial collisions"

But, as in quadratic probing, we could still have a problem where we are not "safe" due to an infinite loop despite room in table:

- No guarantee that i*g(key) will let us try all/most indices
- It is known that this cannot happen in at least one case:

  For primes p and q such that 2 < q < p

  h(key) = key % p

  g(key) = q – (key % q)

Yet another reason to use a prime TableSize

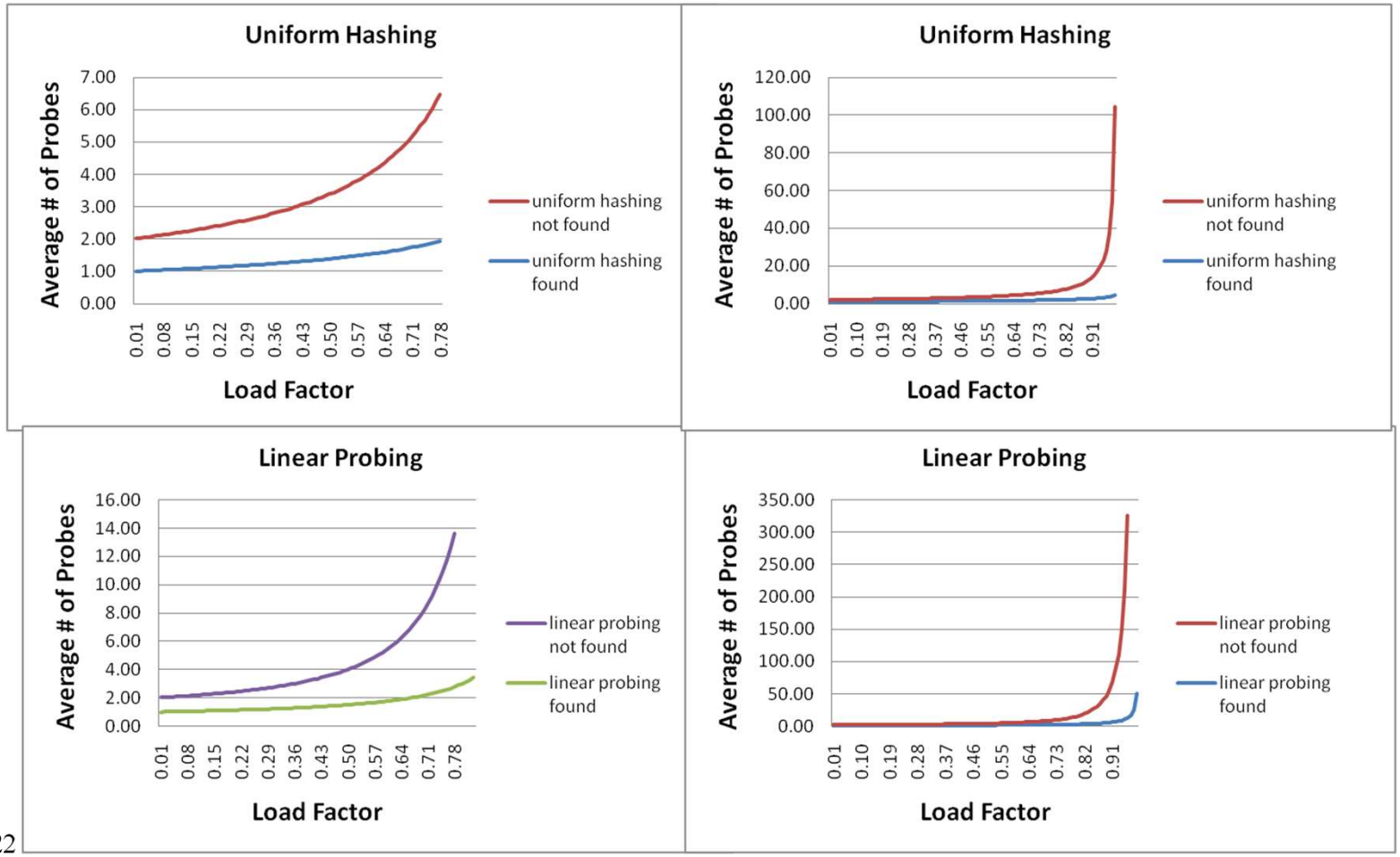
- So, for double hashing

  i^{th} probe: (**`h(key) + i*g(key))% TableSize`**
- Say g(key) divides Tablesize
  - That is, there is some integer x such that x*g(key)=Tablesize
  - After x probes, we'll be back to trying the same indices as before
- Ex:
  - Tablesize=50
  - g(key)=25
  - Probing sequence:
    - h(key)
    - h(key)+25
    - h(key)+50=h(key)
    - h(key)+75=h(key)+25
- Only 1 & itself divide a prime

More double-hashing facts (Just cool facts)

- Assume "uniform hashing"
  - Means probability of `g(key1) % p == g(key2) % p` is `1/p`
- Non-trivial facts we won't prove:
  Average # of probes given λ (in the limit as `TableSize` $\rightarrow \infty$)
  - Unsuccessful search: $\frac{1}{1-\lambda}$
  - Successful search: $\frac{1}{\lambda}\log_e\left(\frac{1}{1-\lambda}\right)$
- Bottom line: unsuccessful bad (but not as bad as linear probing), but successful is not nearly as bad

Charts


Uniform Hashing
Average # of Probes
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Load Factor
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Uniform Hashing
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120.00
100.00
80.00
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20.00
0.00
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Load Factor
uniform hashing not found
uniform hashing found
Linear Probing
Average # of Probes
16.00
14.00
12.00
10.00
8.00
6.00
4.00
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Where are we?

- Separate Chaining is easy
  - **`find, insert, delete`** proportional to load factor on average if using unsorted linked list nodes
  - If using another data structure for buckets (e.g. AVL tree) , runtime is proportional to runtime for that structure.
- Open addressing uses probing, has clustering issues as table fills
  Why use it:
  - Less memory allocation?
    - Some run-time overhead for allocating linked list (or whatever) nodes; open addressing could be faster
  - Easier data representation?
- Now:
  - Growing the table when it gets too full (aka “rehashing”)
  - Relation between hashing/comparing and connection to Java

Rehashing

- As with array-based stacks/queues/lists, if table gets too full, create a bigger table and copy everything over
- With **separate chaining,** we get to decide what "too full" means
  - Keep load factor reasonable (e.g., < 1)?
  - Consider average or max size of non-empty chains?
- For **open addressing**, half-full is a good rule of thumb
- New table size
  - Twice-as-big is a good idea, except, uhm, that won't be prime!
  - So go *about* twice-as-big
  - Can have a list of prime numbers in your code since you probably won't grow more than 20-30 times, and then calculate after that

More on rehashing

- Can we just copy all data to the same indices in the new table?
  - Will not work; we calculated the index based on **`TableSize`**
- Go through table, do standard insert for each into new table
  - Iterate over old table: O(n)
  - n inserts / calls to the hash function: n · O(1) = O(n)
- Is there some way to avoid all those hash function calls?
  - Space/time tradeoff: Could store **`h(key)`** with each data item
  - Growing the table is still *O*(*n*); saving **`h(key)`** only helps by a constant factor

Hashing and comparing

- Our use of int key can lead to us overlooking a critical detail:
  - We initially *hash* **`E`** to get a table index
  - While chaining or probing we need to determine if this is the **`E`** that I am looking for. Just need equality testing.
- So a hash table needs a hash function and a equality testing
  - In the Java library each object has an **`equals`** method and a **`hashCode`** method

```
class Object {
  boolean equals(Object o) {…}
  int hashCode() {…}
  …
}
```

Equal objects must hash the same

- The Java library (and your project hash table) make a very important assumption that clients must satisfy…
- Object-oriented way of saying it:

  If `a.equals(b)`, then we must require
  `a.hashCode()==b.hashCode()`
- Function object way of saying it:

  If `c.compare(a,b) == 0`, then we must require
  `h.hash(a) == h.hash(b)`
- If you ever override equals
  - You need to override hashCode also in a consistent way
  - See CoreJava book, Chapter 5 for other "gotchas" with equals

By the way: comparison has rules too

We have not emphasized important "rules" about comparison for:

- All our dictionaries
- Sorting (next major topic)

Comparison must impose a consistent, total ordering:

For all **`a`**, **`b`**, and **`c`**,

- If **`compare(a,b) < 0`**, then **`compare(b,a) > 0`**
- If **`compare(a,b) == 0`**, then **`compare(b,a) == 0`**
- If **`compare(a,b) < 0`** and **`compare(b,c) < 0`**, then **`compare(a,c) < 0`**

A Generally Good hashCode()


```
int result = 17; // start at a prime

foreach field f
    int fieldHashcode =
       boolean: (f ? 1: 0)
       byte, char, short, int: (int) f
       long: (int) (f ^ (f >>> 32))
       float: Float.floatToIntBits(f)
       double: Double.doubleToLongBits(f), then above
       Object: object.hashCode( )

       result = 31 * result + fieldHashcode;
 return result;
```

Check it out!

https://github.com/openjdk/jdk/blob/master/src/java.base/share/classes/java/lang/Double.java

```
865         */
866        @Override
867        public int hashCode() {
868            return Double.hashCode(value);
869        }
870
871        /**
872         * Returns a hash code for a {@code double} value; compatible with
873         * {@code Double.hashCode()}.
874         *
875         * @param value the value to hash
876         * @return a hash code value for a {@code double} value.
877         * @since 1.8
878         */
879        public static int hashCode(double value) {
880            return Long.hashCode(doubleToLongBits(value));
881        }
882
```

Final word on hashing

- The hash table is one of the most important data structures
  - Efficient find, insert, and delete
  - Operations based on sorted order are not so efficient!
  - Useful in many, many real-world applications
  - Popular topic for job interview questions
- Important to use a good hash function
  - Good distribution, Uses enough of key's components
  - Not overly expensive to calculate (bit shifts good!)
- Important to keep hash table at a good size
  - Prime #
  - Preferable λ depends on type of table
- Side-comment: hash functions have uses beyond hash tables
  - Examples: Cryptography, check-sums