



Lecture 10: Introduction to Hash Tables

CSE 373: Data Structures and
Algorithms

Warm Up

Administrivia

HW 2 part 1 grades went out

HW 2 part 2 due Friday, including part 1 regrade

HW 3 partner form due Friday by 12:00pm

Midterm Friday February 15th in class

How long does AVL insert take?

AVL insert time = BST insert time + time it takes to rebalance the tree
= $O(\log n)$ + time it takes to rebalance the tree

How long does rebalancing take?

- Assume we store in each node the height of its subtree.
- How long to find an unbalanced node:
 - Just go back up the tree from where we inserted. $\leftarrow O(\log n)$
- How many rotations might we have to do?
 - Just a single or double rotation on the lowest unbalanced node. $\leftarrow O(1)$

AVL insert time = $O(\log n) + O(\log n) + O(1) = O(\log n)$

AVL wrap up

Pros:

- $O(\log n)$ worst case for find, insert, and delete operations.
- Reliable running times than regular BSTs (because trees are balanced)

Cons:

- Difficult to program & debug [but done once in a library!]
- (Slightly) more space than BSTs to store node heights.

Lots of cool Self-Balancing BSTs out there!

Popular self-balancing BSTs include:

[AVL tree](#)

[Splay tree](#)

[2-3 tree](#)

[AA tree](#)

[Red-black tree](#)

[Scapegoat tree](#)

[Treap](#)

(Not covered in this class, but several are in the textbook and all of them are online!)

(From https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Self-balancing_binary_search_tree#Implementations)



Hashing

Review: Dictionaries

Dictionary ADT

state

Set of items & keys
Count of items

behavior

put(key, item) add item to collection indexed with key
get(key) return item associated with key
containsKey(key) return if key already in use
remove(key) remove item and associated key
size() return count of items

ArrayDictionary<K, V>

state

Pair<K, V>[] data

behavior

put create new pair, add to next available spot, grow array if necessary
get scan all pairs looking for given key, return associated item if found
containsKey scan all pairs, return if key is found
remove scan all pairs, replace pair to be removed with last pair in collection
size return count of items in dictionary

LinkedDictionary<K, V>

state

front
size

behavior

put if key is unused, create new pair, add to front of list, else replace with new value
get scan all pairs looking for given key, return associated item if found
containsKey scan all pairs, return if key is found
remove scan all pairs, skip pair to be removed
size return count of items in dictionary

TreeDictionary<K, V>

state

overallRoot
size

behavior

put if key is unused, create new pair, place in BST order, rotate to maintain balance
get traverse through tree using BST property, return item if found
containsKey traverse through tree using BST property, return if key is found
remove traverse through tree using BST property, replace or nullify as appropriate
size return count of items in dictionary

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 - Getting data out of your collection
 - Rearranging data in your collection
- SUPER common in comp sci

 - Databases
 - Network router tables
 - Compilers and Interpreters

Operation		ArrayList	LinkedList	BST	AVLTree
put(key,value)	best				
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	worst				
get(key)	best				
	average				
	worst				
remove(key)	best				
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	worst	O(n)	O(n)	O(n)	O(logn)
get(key)	best	O(1)	O(1)	O(1)	O(1)
	average	O(n)	O(n)	O(logn)	O(logn)
	worst	O(n)	O(n)	O(n)	O(logn)
remove(key)	best	O(1)	O(1)	O(logn)	O(logn)
	average	O(n)	O(n)	O(logn)	O(logn)
	worst	O(n)	O(n)	O(n)	O(logn)

Can we do better?

What if we knew exactly where to find our data?

Implement a dictionary that accepts only integer keys between 0 and some value k

-> Leverage Array Indices!

“Direct address map”

Operation		Array w/ indices as keys
put(key,value)	best	$O(1)$
	average	$O(1)$
	worst	$O(1)$
get(key)	best	$O(1)$
	average	$O(1)$
	worst	$O(1)$
remove(key)	best	$O(1)$
	average	$O(1)$
	worst	$O(1)$

DirectAccessMap<Integer, V>

state

Data[]
size

behavior

put put item at given index

get get item at given index

containsKey if data[] null at index, return false, return true otherwise

remove nullify element at index

size return count of items in dictionary

Implement Direct Access Map

```
public V get(int key) {
    this.ensureIndexNotNull(key);
    return this.array[key].value;
}

public void put(int key, V value) {
    this.array[key] = value;
}

public void remove(int key) {
    this.ensureIndexNotNull(key);
    this.array[key] = null;
}
```

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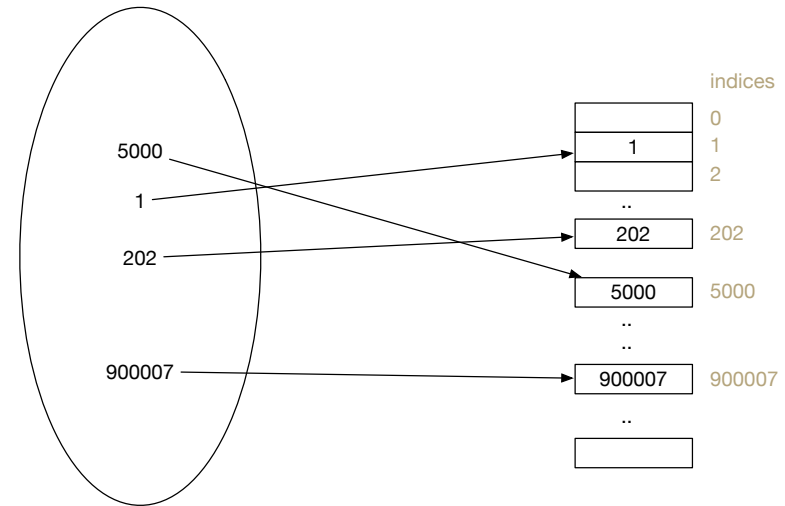
Can we do this for any integer?

Idea 1:

Create a GIANT array with every possible integer as an index

Problems:

- Can we allocate an array big enough?
- Super wasteful

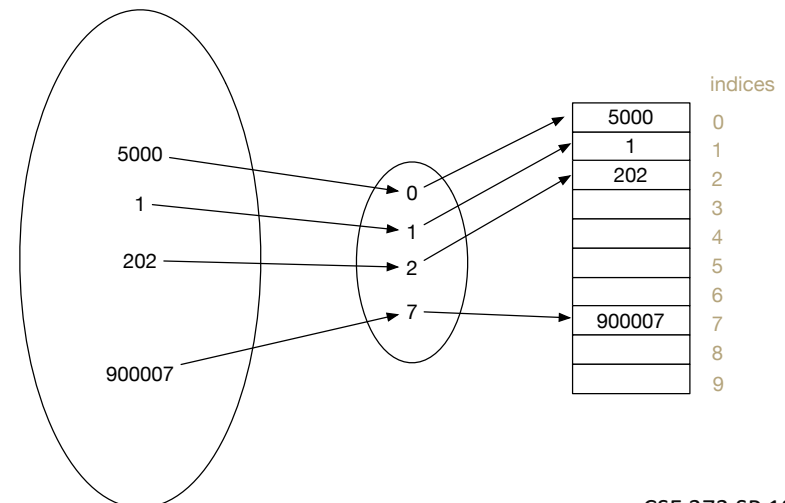


Idea 2:

Create a smaller array, but create a way to translate given integer keys into available indices

Problem:

- How can we pick a good translation?



Review: Integer remainder with % “mod”

The % operator computes the remainder from integer division.

14 % 4 is 2

$$\begin{array}{r} 3 \\ 4 \overline{) 14} \\ \underline{12} \\ 2 \end{array}$$

218 % 5 is 3

$$\begin{array}{r} 43 \\ 5 \overline{) 218} \\ \underline{20} \\ 18 \\ \underline{15} \\ 3 \end{array}$$

Applications of % operator:

- Obtain last digit of a number: $230857 \% 10$ is 7
- See whether a number is odd: $7 \% 2$ is 1, $42 \% 2$ is 0
- Limit integers to specific range: $8 \% 12$ is 8, $18 \% 12$ is 6

Limit keys to indices
within array

For more review/practice, check out <https://www.khanacademy.org/computing/computer-science/cryptography/modarithmetic/a/what-is-modular-arithmetic>

First Hash Function: % table size

indices	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
elements	"foo"	"biz"				"bar"			"bop"	

```
put(0, "foo"); 0 % 10 = 0
put(5, "bar"); 5 % 10 = 5
put(11, "biz"); 11 % 10 = 1
put(18, "bop"); 18 % 10 = 8
```

Implement First Hash Function

```
public V get(int key) {
    int newKey = getKey(key);
    this.ensureIndexNotNull(key);
    return this.data[key].value;
}

public void put(int key, int value) {
    this.array[getKey(key)] = value;
}

public void remove(int key) {
    int newKey = getKey(key);
    this.ensureIndexNotNull(key);
    this.data[key] = null;
}

public int getKey(int value) {
    return value % this.data.length;
}
```

SimpleHashMap<Integer>

state

Data[]
size

behavior

put mod key by table size, put item at result
get mod key by table size, get item at result
containsKey mod key by table size, return data[result] == null remove mod key by table size, nullify element at result
size return count of items in dictionary

First Hash Function: % table size

indices	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
elements	"poo"	"biz"				"bar"			"bop"	

```
put(0, "foo"); 0 % 10 = 0
```

```
put(5, "bar"); 5 % 10 = 5
```

```
put(11, "biz"); 11 % 10 = 1
```

```
put(18, "bop"); 18 % 10 = 8
```

```
put(20, "poo"); 20 % 10 = 0
```



Collision!

Hash Obsession: Collisions

When multiple keys translate to the same location of the array

The fewer the collisions, the better the runtime!



Strategies to handle hash collision

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There are multiple strategies. In this class, we'll cover the following three:

1. Separate chaining
2. Open addressing
 - Linear probing
 - Quadratic probing
3. Double hashing

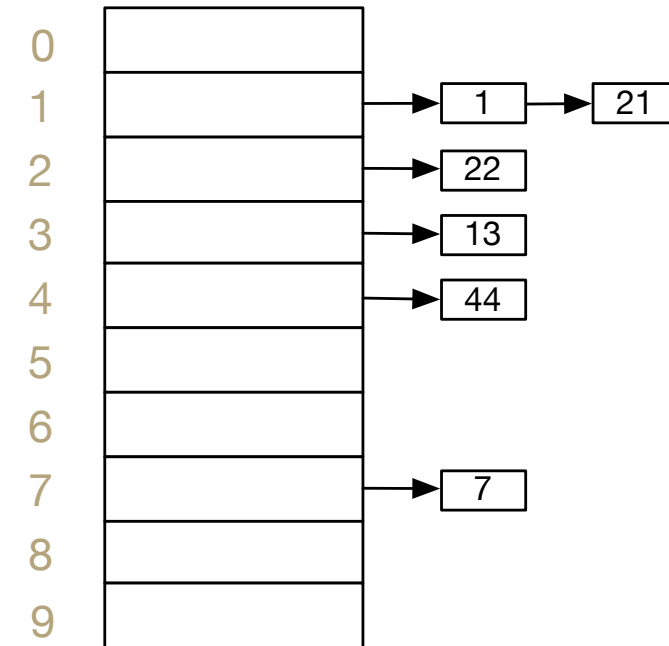
Handling Collisions

Solution 1: Chaining

Each space holds a “bucket” that can store multiple values. Bucket is often implemented with a LinkedList

Operation		Array w/ indices as keys
put(key,value)	best	$O(1)$
	average	$O(1 + \lambda)$
	worst	$O(n)$
get(key)	best	$O(1)$
	average	$O(1 + \lambda)$
	worst	$O(n)$
remove(key)	best	$O(1)$
	average	$O(1 + \lambda)$
	worst	$O(n)$

indices



Average Case:

Depends on average number of elements per chain

Load Factor λ

If n is the total number of key-value pairs

Let c be the capacity of array

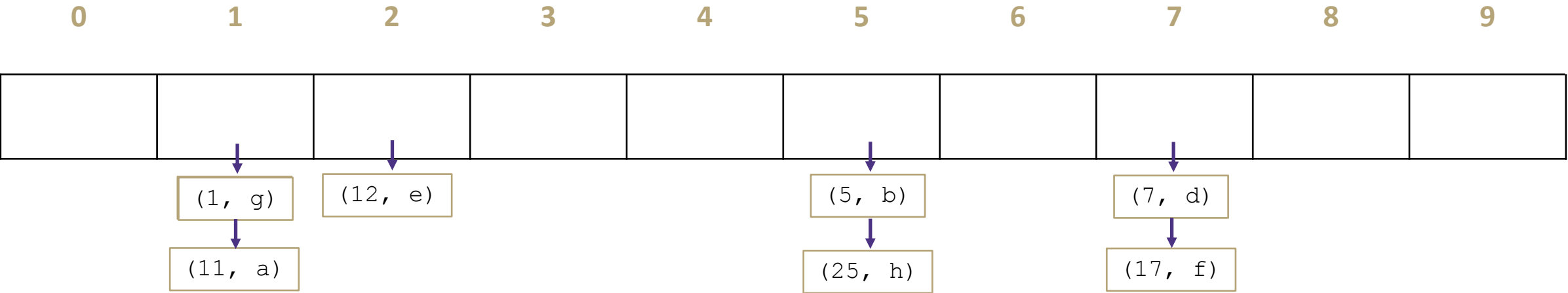
$$\text{Load Factor } \lambda = \frac{n}{c}$$

Practice

Consider an IntegerDictionary using separate chaining with an internal capacity of 10. Assume our buckets are implemented using a LinkedList where we append new key-value pairs to the end.

Now, suppose we insert the following key-value pairs. What does the dictionary internally look like?

(1, a) (5,b) (11,a) (7,d) (12,e) (17,f) (1,g) (25,h)



Can we do better?

Idea 1: Take in better keys

- Can't do anything about that right now

Idea 2: Optimize the bucket

- Use an AVL tree instead of a Linked List
- Java starts off as a linked list then converts to AVL tree when collisions get large

Idea 3: Modify the array's internal capacity

- When load factor gets too high, resize array
 - Double size of array
 - Increase array size to next prime number that's roughly double the array size
 - Prime numbers reduce collisions when using % because of divisors
 - Resize when $\lambda \approx 1.0$
 - When you resize, you have to rehash

What about non integer keys?

Hash Function

An algorithm that maps a given key to an integer representing the index in the array for where to store the associated value

Goals

Avoid collisions

- The more collisions, the further we move away from $O(1)$
- Produce a wide range of indices

Uniform distribution of outputs

- Optimize for memory usage

Low computational costs

- Hash function is called every time we want to interact with the data

How to Hash non Integer Keys

Implementation 1: Simple aspect of values

```
public int hashCode(String input) {  
    return input.length();  
}
```

Pro: super fast $O(1)$
Con: lots of collisions!

Implementation 2: More aspects of value

```
public int hashCode(String input) {  
    int output = 0;  
    for(char c : input) {  
        out += (int)c;  
    }  
    return output;  
}
```

Pro: fast $O(n)$
Con: some collisions

Implementation 3: Multiple aspects of value + math!

```
public int hashCode(String input) {  
    int output = 1;  
    for (char c : input) {  
        int nextPrime = getNextPrime();  
        out *= Math.pow(nextPrime, (int)c);  
    }  
    return Math.pow(nextPrime, input.length());  
}
```

Pro: few collisions
Con: slow, gigantic integers

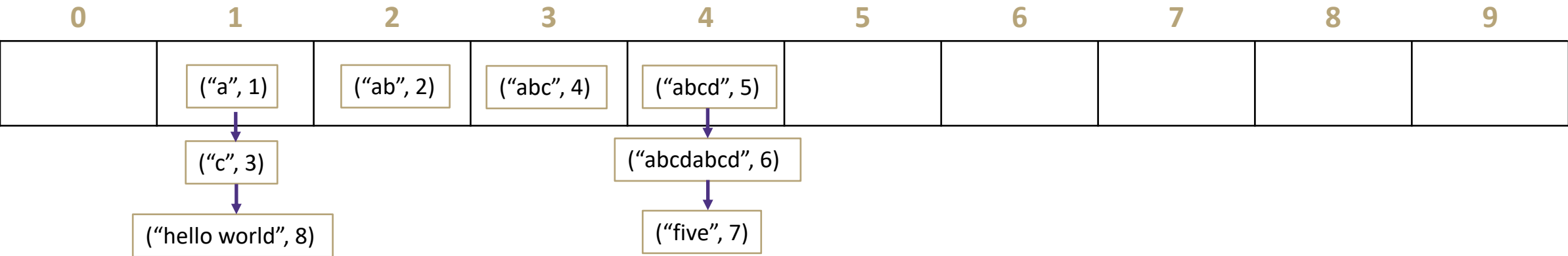
Practice

Consider a StringDictionary using separate chaining with an internal capacity of 10. Assume our buckets are implemented using a LinkedList. Use the following hash function:

```
public int hashCode(String input) {  
    return input.length() % arr.length;  
}
```

Now, insert the following key-value pairs. What does the dictionary internally look like?

("a", 1) ("ab", 2) ("c", 3) ("abc", 4) ("abcd", 5) ("abcdabcd", 6) ("five", 7) ("hello world", 8)



Java and Hash Functions

Object class includes default functionality:

- equals
- hashCode

If you want to implement your own hashCode you MUST:

- Override BOTH hashCode() and equals()
- If a.equals(b) is true then a.hashCode() == b.hashCode() MUST also be true

