

PRINCIPLES OF DATA ORGANISATION

Cormack



MOTIVATION

- ↳ Key/pointer pairs ~ index
- ↳ Hashed file organisation
- ↳ **External static** hashing
 - ↳ We know how much data we can expect



CORMACK

- ❧ Perfect hashing ~ no overflow policy required
- ❧ Requires additional $O(N)$ space (**directory**)
 - ❧ A level of indirection
- ❧ Requires a set of hash functions
 - ❧ One function is used as the **initial hash function** $h(k,s)$ to access the directory
 - ❧ s – the size of the directory
 - ❧ Another function is used to hash collided records into a **continuous** space
 - ❧ We have a set of such functions $h_i(k, r)$
 - ❧ i – index of used hashed function
 - ❧ r – number of referenced records in the hash table
- ❧ Idea: first, we split the hashing problem into smaller ones, and then we solve a “smaller” hashing problem (i.e., finding a perfect hashing function) locally for a small number of values
- ❧ Presumes a low number of collisions → it is possible to find a **perfect hashing function for the collided records** in a reasonable time



CORMACK – ALGORITHM

```
typedef struct {  
    int p, i, r;  
} dLine;
```

```
typedef struct {  
    KEY_TYPE key;  
    DATA data;  
} pfLine;
```

s – size of the directory

p – pointer to the primary file

i – index of perfect hash function to be used

r – number of colliding records in the primary file

Static method =
we need the size
of the directory

$h(15, s) = j$

DIRECTORY
(main memory)

	i	r	p
0			
1			
·			
·			
j	i_j	3	

PRIMARY
FILE

key	data
85	xxx
15	zzz
63	aaa

$h_{i_j}(15, 3)$



CORMACK — EXAMPLE

$h(k) = k \bmod 7$

$h_i(k, r) = (k \gg i) \bmod r$

$h(14) = 0$

Find i s.t.

$h_i(14, r) = (14 \gg i) \bmod r = 0$

$r = 1$ (number of colliding records)

$h(17) = 3$

Find i s.t.

$h_i(17, r) = (17 \gg i) \bmod r = 0$

	i	r	p	
0	0	1	0	0
1				1
2				2
3	0	1	1	3
4				4
5				5
6				6
7				7
...				...

Diagram illustrating the CORMACK algorithm. The table shows the values of i , r , and p for each index k (0 to 7). The values of i and r are shown in red for $k=0$ and $k=3$, and in blue for $k=3$. The values of p are shown in blue for $k=0$ and $k=3$. The values of k are shown in red for $k=0$ and $k=1$, and in blue for $k=3$. Arrows point from the i , r , and p columns to the corresponding k values in the right-hand table.



CORMACK — EXAMPLE

$h(k) = k \bmod 7$
 $h_i(k, r) = (k \gg i) \bmod r$

$h(10) = 3$

Find i s.t.

$h_i(10, r) \neq h_i(17, r)$

$r = 2$

try $i = 0$:

$h_0(10, 2) = 0$

$h_0(17, 2) = 1$

	i	r	p
0	0	1	0
1			
2			
3	0	1 2	0 2
4			
5			
6			
7			
...			

0	14
1	17
2	10
3	17
4	
5	
6	
7	
...	

Find new space (or extend the current)

Try to insert 21 and 28



CORMACK — EXAMPLE

$$h(k) = k \bmod 7$$

$$h_i(k, r) = (k \gg i) \bmod r$$

$$h(42) = 0$$

Find i s.t.

$$h_i(21, r) \neq h_i(28, r) \neq$$

$$h_i(14, r) \neq h_i(42, r)$$

$$r = 4$$

try $i = 0$:

$$h_0(14, 4) = 2$$

$$h_0(21, 4) = 1$$

$$h_0(28, 4) = 0$$

$$h_0(42, 4) = 2$$

try $i = 1$:

$$h_1(14, 4) = 3$$

$$h_1(21, 4) = 2$$

$$h_1(28, 4) = 3$$

$$h_1(42, 4) = 1 \quad \dots \text{ try } i = 2, 3, 4, 5$$

	i	r	p		
0	0	3	4	0	14
1				1	17
2				2	10
3	0	2	2	3	17
4				4	21
5				5	28
6				6	14
				7	
				...	

If it does not help, increase r (i.e., increase space = use more slots) ... try $r = 5$ and $i = 0$



CORMACK — ALGORITHM

```
bool INSERT(dLine dir[], pLine pf[], pLine rec)
{
    int s = dir::size();
    int j = h(rec.key,s);
    if (dir[j].r == 0) {
        int posNew = FREE(pf, 1);
        pf[posNew] = rec;
        dir[j].p = y;
        dir[j].i = -1;
        dir[j].r = 1;
    } else {
        int r = dir[j].r,
        int p = dir[j].p;
        if (CONTAINS(pf, p, r, rec.key))
            return FALSE;
    }
}
```

```
/* find a hash function with index m, such that
hm(rec.key, r+1) != hm(pf[p].key, r+1) !=
hm(pf[p+1].key, r+1) != ... != hm(pf[p+r-1].key,
r+1) */
```

```
int m = FIND_HASH_F(pf, p, r, rec.key);
```

```
// allocate space for colliding records and the
new record
```

```
int posNew = FREE(r+1);
```

```
// copy the existing colliding records into new
space
```

```
for (int i = 0; i < r; i++) {
    pf[posNew+hm(pf[p+i].key, r+1)] = pf[p+i];
    ERASE(pf, p+i); // free memory
}
```

```
dir[j].p = newPos;
```

```
dir[j].i = m;
```

```
dir[j].r = r+1;
```

```
}
}
```



CORMACK — ALGORITHM

```
void ACCESS(dLine dir[], pfLine pf[], KEY_TYPE k, int &pfPos, bool &found) {  
    int s = dir::size();  
    int j = h(k,s);  
    if (dir[j].r == 0)  
        found = FALSE;  
    else {  
        int ij = dir[j].i;  
        pfPos = dir[j].p + hij(k, dir[j].r);  
        if (pf[pfPos].key != k)  
            found = FALSE;  
        else  
            found = TRUE;  
    }  
}
```



CORMACK — ALGORITHM

🔗 The choice of independent hashing functions:

$$h_i(k,r) = (k \bmod (2i+100r+1)), \text{ where } k \gg 2i+100r+1$$

🔗 for a given i and a set of r keys h_i is a **perfect hash function**

🔗 r needs to be small enough to be able to find a suitable i in a reasonable time

🔗 If there are too many collisions, we can use r^2 instead

