

Question 1: Hash Tables.....[320 points]

- (i) **[10 points] Complexity Analysis:**
Explain why constants are important in practice.
- (ii) **[10 points] Naive Hash Table:**
List two limitations of a naive hash table.
- (iii) **[10 points] Hash Function:**
Define a hash function. List two desirable properties of a hash function.
- (iv) **[10 points] Hashing Scheme:**
Define a hashing scheme. List two desirable properties of a hashing scheme.
- (v) **[10 points] Hash Function:**
List an assembly instruction that can be used to accelerate hashing.
- (vi) **[10 points] Hashing Scheme:**
Distinguish between static and dynamic hashing schemes.
- (vii) **[10 points] Hashing Scheme:**
Which one is faster in general: static or dynamic hashing schemes? Why?
- (viii) **[10 points] Linear Probe Hashing:**
Explain how INSERT operation works in linear probe hashing.
- (ix) **[10 points] Linear Probe Hashing:**
Explain how DELETE operation works in linear probe hashing.
- (x) **[10 points] Linear Probe Hashing:**
Distinguish between these two solutions for handling DELETE operations: Tombstone and Movement of Keys.
- (xi) **[10 points] Linear Probe Hashing:**
Explain how to support non-unique keys in a hash table.
- (xii) **[10 points] Robin Hood Hashing:**
Explain how INSERT operation works in Robin Hood Hashing.
- (xiii) **[10 points] Robin Hood Hashing:**
List a benefit and a limitation of Robin Hood Hashing in comparison to Linear Probe Hashing.
- (xiv) **[10 points] Cuckoo Hashing:**
Explain how INSERT operation works in Cuckoo Hashing.
- (xv) **[10 points] Cuckoo Hashing:**
Can a cycle arise in Cuckoo Hashing? Illustrate with an example.
- (xvi) **[10 points] Cuckoo Hashing:**
How are cycles resolved in Cuckoo Hashing?
- (xvii) **[10 points] Chained Hashing:**
Explain how INSERT operation works in chained hashing.

- (xviii) **[10 points] Chained Hashing:**
How can we synchronize concurrent operations in a chained hash table?
- (xix) **[10 points] Extendible Hashing:**
Explain how INSERT operation works in extendible hashing.
- (xx) **[10 points] Extendible Hashing:**
List a benefit and a limitation of Extendible Hashing in comparison to Chained Hashing.
- (xxi) **[10 points] Extendible Hashing:**
Explain why the number of bits that the hash table uses to map hashes to buckets changes over time.
- (xxii) **[10 points] Extendible Hashing:**
Explain the purpose of Global and Local counters in extendible hashing. Can they be different from each other? Why?
- (xxiii) **[10 points] Linear Hashing:**
Explain how INSERT operation works in linear hashing.
- (xxiv) **[10 points] Linear Hashing:**
List a benefit and a limitation of Linear Hashing in comparison to Extendible Hashing.
- (xxv) **[10 points] Linear Hashing:**
Explain the purpose of split pointer in linear hashing.
- (xxvi) **[10 points] Linear Hashing:**
Why do we need multiple hashes to find the right bucket for a given key?
- (xxvii) **[10 points] Linear Hashing:**
List two overflow criterion that may be used in linear hashing.
- (xxviii) **[10 points] Linear Hashing:**
Explain how DELETE operation works in linear hashing.
- (xxix) **[10 points] Linear vs Extendible Hashing:**
Distinguish between linear and extendible hashing.
- (xxx) **[10 points] Linear vs Extendible Hashing:**
How are they related to each other: linear and extendible hashing? Which technique is more flexible? Why?
- (xxxii) **[10 points] Hash Tables:**
Illustrate how a hash table is used within the DBMS.
- (xxxii) **[10 points] Hash Tables:**
Why are hash tables typically only used for managing in-memory data and **not** on-disk data?