

Linear Hashing

Linear Hashing

- Central idea of hashing:
 - Calculate the location of the record from the key
 - Hash functions:
 - Can be made indistinguishable from random function
 - SH3, MD5, ...
 - Often simpler
 - ID modulo slots

Linear Hashing

- Can lead to collisions:
 - Two different keys map into the same address
 - Two ways to resolve:
 - **Open Addressing**
 - Have a rule for a secondary address, etc.
 - **Chaining**
 - Can store more than one datum at an address

Linear Hashing

- Open addressing example:
 - Linear probing: Try the next slot

Hashing Example

```
def hash(a_string):  
    accu = 0  
    i = 1  
    for letter in a_string:  
        accu += ord(letter)*i  
        i+=1  
    return accu % 8
```

Insert "fly"

0	
1	
2	"fly", 2
3	
4	
5	
6	
7	

Hashing Example

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    i = 1  
    for letter in a_string:  
        accu += ord(letter)*i  
        i+=1  
    return accu % 8
```

Insert "gnu"

hash("gnu") → 2

0	
1	
2	"fly", 2
3	"gnu", 2
4	
5	
6	
7	

Since spot 2 is taken, move to the next

Hashing Example

```
def hash(a_string):  
    accu = 0  
    i = 1  
    for letter in a_string:  
        accu += ord(letter)*i  
        i+=1  
    return accu % 8
```

Insert "hog"

hash("hog") -> 3

0	
1	
2	"fly", 2
3	"gnu", 2
4	"hog", 3
5	
6	
7	

Since spot is taken, move to the next

Hashing Example



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def hash(a_string):  
    accu = 0  
    i = 1  
    for letter in a_string:  
        accu += ord(letter)*i  
        i+=1  
    return accu % 8
```

Looking for “gnu”

hash(“gnu”) → 2

0	
1	
2	“fly”, 2
3	“gnu”, 2
4	“hog”, 3
5	
6	
7	“pig”, 7

Try out location 2. Occupied, but

Hashing Example

```
def hash(a_string):  
    accu = 0  
    i = 1  
    for letter in a_string:  
        accu += ord(letter)*i  
        i+=1  
    return accu % 8
```

Looking for "gnu"

hash("gnu") -> 2

0	
1	
2	"fly", 2
3	"gnu", 2
4	"hog", 3
5	
6	
7	"pig", 7



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Try out location 3. Find "gnu"

Hashing Example



```
def hash(a_string):  
    accu = 0  
    i = 1  
    for letter in a_string:  
        accu += ord(letter)*i  
        i+=1  
    return accu % 8
```

Looking for "ram"

hash("ram") -> 3

0	
1	
2	"fly", 2
3	"gnu", 2
4	"hog", 3
5	
6	
7	"pig", 7

Look at location 3: someone else is there

Look at location 4: someone else is there

Look at location 5: nobody is there, so if it were a
dictionary, it would

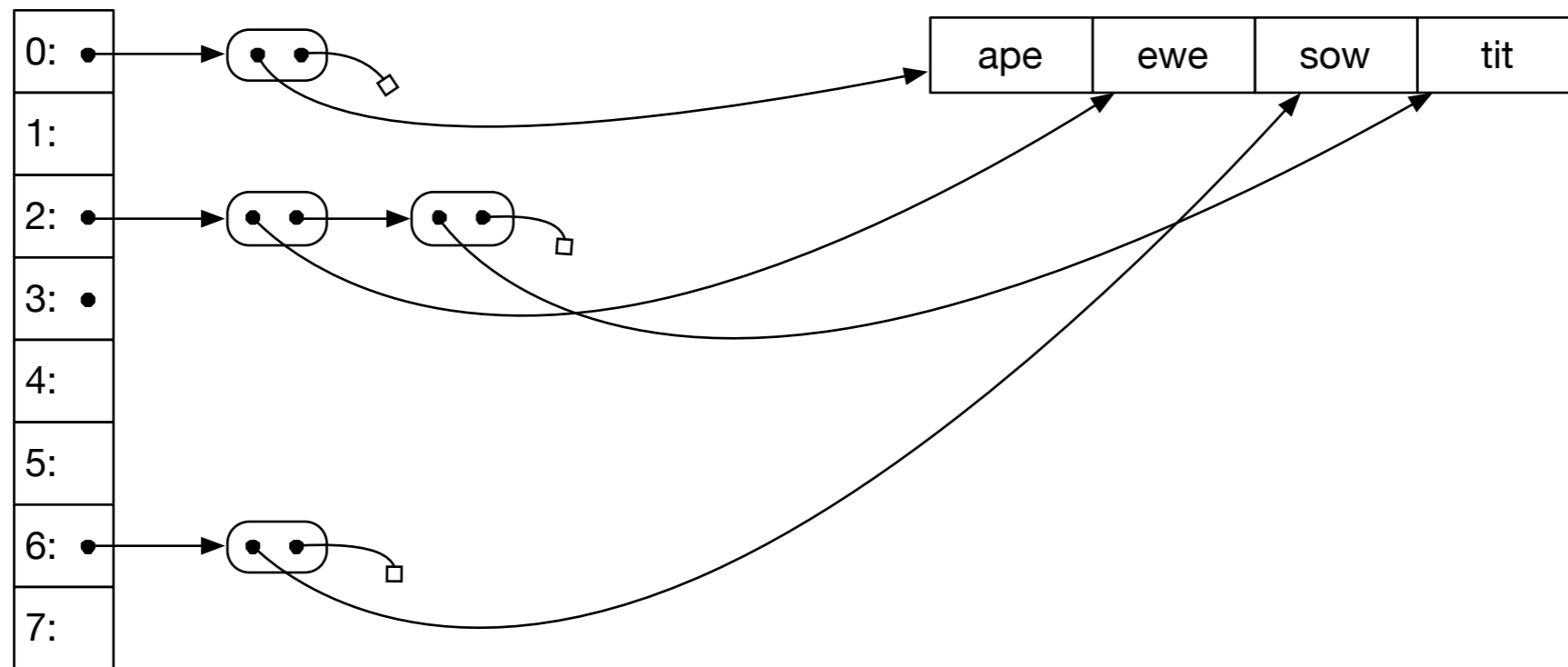
Hashing

- Linear probing leads to convoys:
 - Occupied cells tend to coalesce
- Quadratic probing is better, but might perform worse with long cache lines
- Large number of better versions are used:
 - Passbits
 - Cuckoo hashing
 - Uses two hash functions
 - Robin Hood hashing ...

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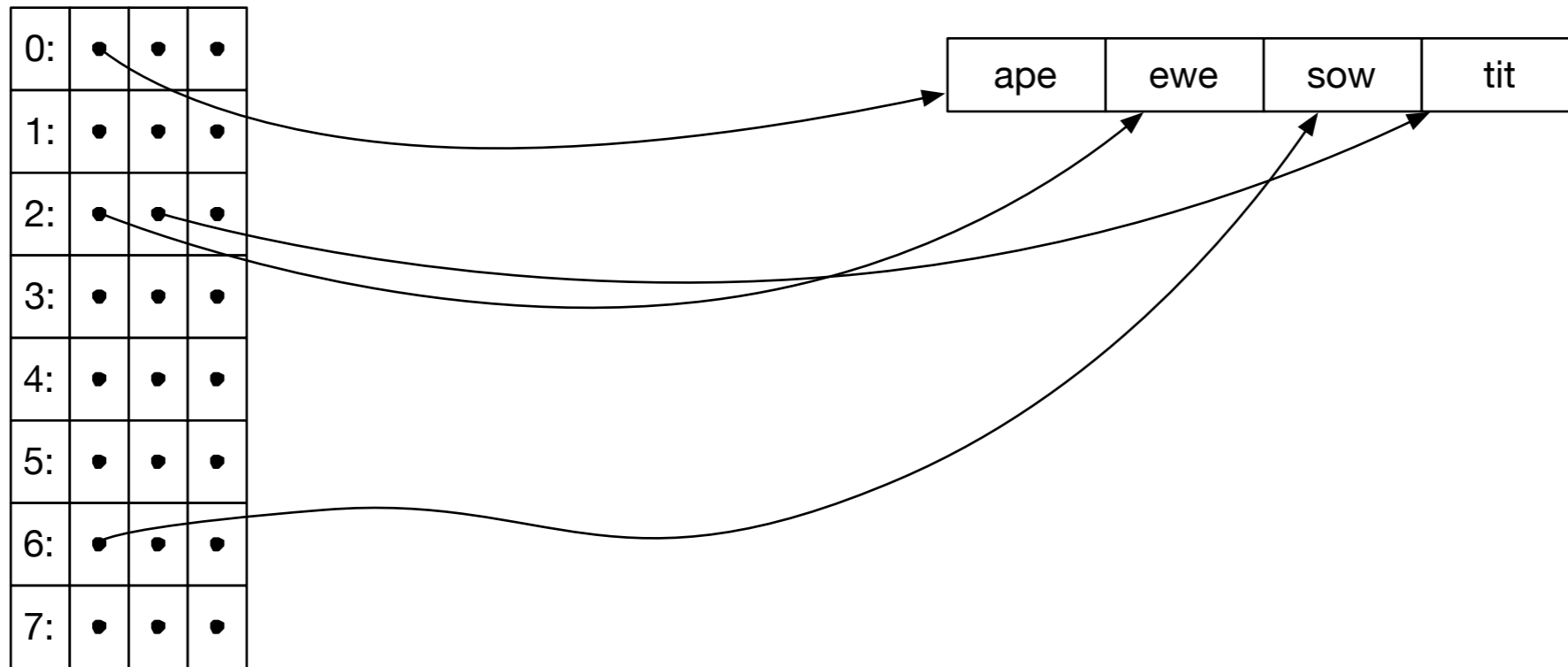
- Chaining
 - Keep data mapped to a location in a “bucket”
 - Can implement the bucket in several ways
 - Linked List

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Chaining Example with linked lists

Hashing Example



Chaining Example with an array of pointers
(with overflow pointer if necessary)

Hashing Example

0:	ape	null	null
1:	null	null	null
2:	ewe	tit	null
3:	null	null	null
4:	null	null	null
5:	null	null	null
6:	sow	null	null
7:	null	null	null

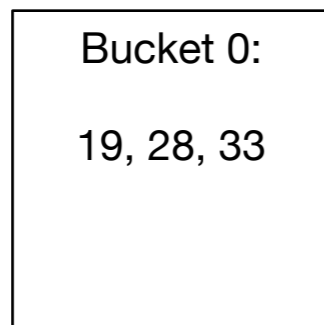
Chaining with fixed buckets
Each bucket has two slots and a pointer
to an overflow bucket

Hashing

- Extensible Hashing:
 - Load factor $\alpha = \text{Space Used} / \text{Space Provided}$
 - Load factor determines performance
 - Idea of extensible hashing:
 - Gracefully add more capacity to a growing hash table

Linear Hashing

- Assume a hash function that creates a large string of bits
 - We start using these bits as we extend the address space
 - Start out with a single bucket, Bucket 0
 - All items are located in Bucket 0



Items with keys 19, 28, 33

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- Eventually, this bucket will overflow
 - E.g. if the load factor is more than 2
 - Bucket 0 splits
 - All items in Bucket 0 are rehashed:
 - Use the last bit in order to determine whether the item goes into Bucket 0 or Bucket 1
 - Address is $h_1(c) = c \pmod{2}$

Linear Hashing

- After the split, the hash table has two buckets:

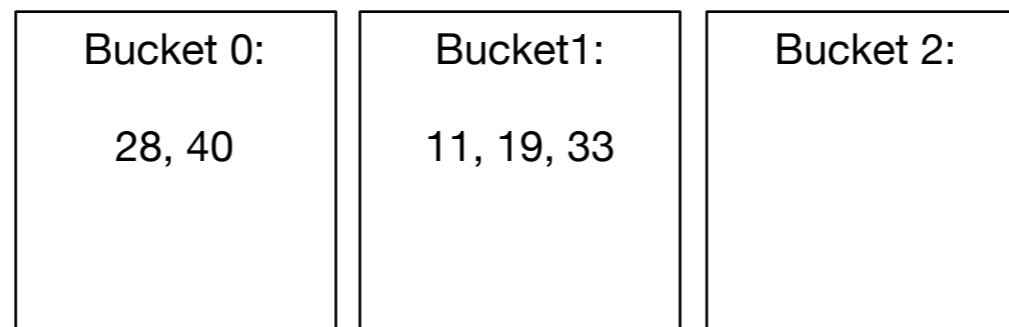
Bucket 0: 28	Bucket1: 19, 33
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- After more insertions, the load factor again exceeds 2

Bucket 0: 28, 40	Bucket1: 11, 19, 33
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- Again, the bucket splits.
 - But it has to be Bucket 0



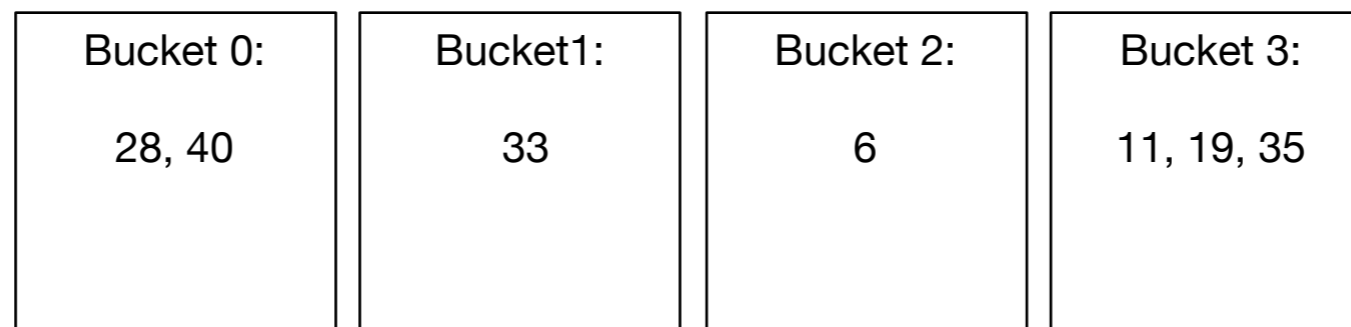
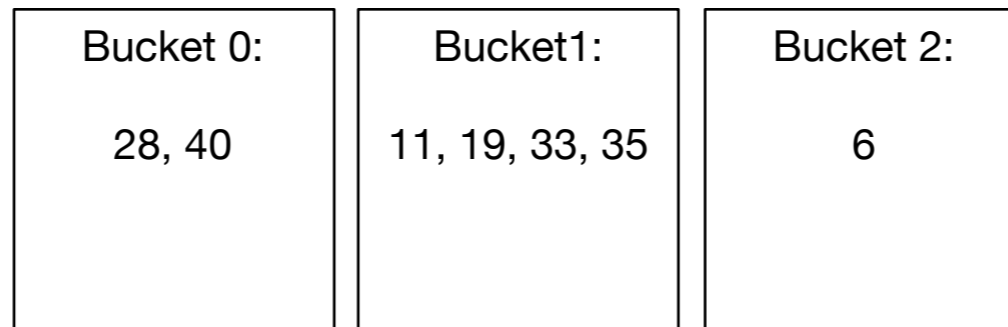
- For the rehashing, we now use two bits, i.e.

$$h_2(c) = c \pmod{4}$$

- But only for those items in Bucket 0

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- After some more insertions, Bucket 1 will split



Linear Hashing

- The state of a linear hash table is described by the number N of buckets
 - The level l is the number of bits that are being used to calculate the hash
 - The split pointer s points to the next bucket to be split
 - The relationship is

$$N = 2^l + s$$

- This is unique, since always $s < 2^l$

Linear Hashing

- Addressing function
 - The address of an item with key c is calculated by

```
def address(c):  
    a = hash(c) % 2**l  
    if a < s:  
        a = hash(c) % 2**(l+1)  
    return a
```

- This reflects the fact that we use more bits for buckets that are already split

Linear Hashtable Evolution

$$N = 1 = 2^0 + 0$$

Number of buckets: 1

Split pointer: 0

Level: 0

```
def address(c):  
    a = hash(c) % 2**1  
    if a < s:  
        a = hash(c) % 2**(1+1)  
    return a
```

Bucket 0:

19, 28, 33

Linear Hashtable Evolution

$$N = 2 = 2^1 + 0$$

Number of buckets: 2

Split pointer: 0

Level: 1

```
def address(c):  
    a = hash(c) % 2**1  
    if a < s:  
        a = hash(c) % 2**(1+1)  
    return a
```

Bucket 0: 28	Bucket1: 19, 33
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Add items with hashes 40 and 11

This gives an overflow and we split Bucket 0

Linear Hashtable Evolution

$$N = 3 = 2^1 + 1$$

Number of buckets: 3

Split pointer: 1

Level: 1

```
def address(c):  
    a = hash(c) % 2**1  
    if a < s:  
        a = hash(c) % 2**(1+1)  
    return a
```

Bucket 0: 28, 40	Bucket1: 11, 19, 33
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```
split Bucket 0  
Create Bucket 2  
Use new hash function on items in Bucket 0
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Bucket 0: 28, 40	Bucket1: 11, 19, 33	Bucket 2:
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No items were moved

Linear Hashtable Evolution

$$N = 3 = 2^1 + 1$$

Number of buckets: 3

Split pointer: 1

Level: 1

```
def address(c):  
    a = hash(c) % 2**1  
    if a < s:  
        a = hash(c) % 2**(1+1)  
    return a
```

Bucket 0: 28, 40	Bucket1: 11, 19, 33	Bucket 2:
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Add items 6, 35

Bucket 0: 28, 40	Bucket1: 11, 19, 33, 35	Bucket 2: 6
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Because of overflow, we split
Bucket 1

Linear Hashtable Evolution

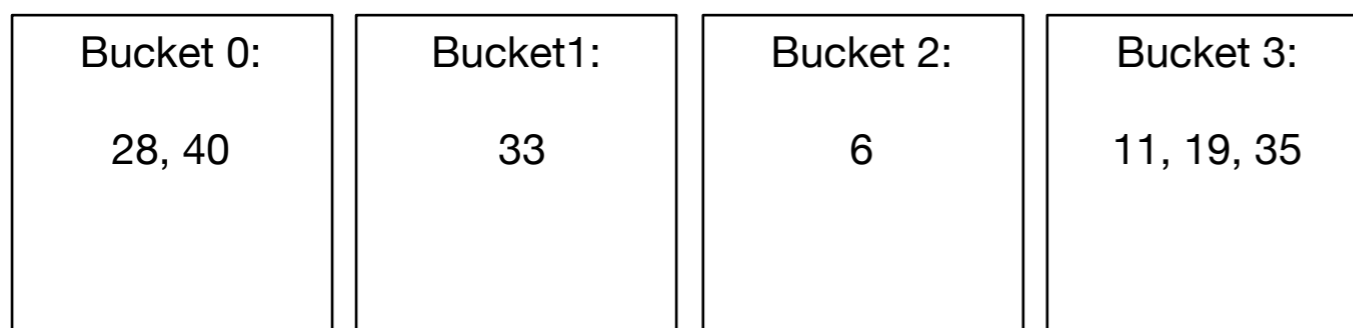
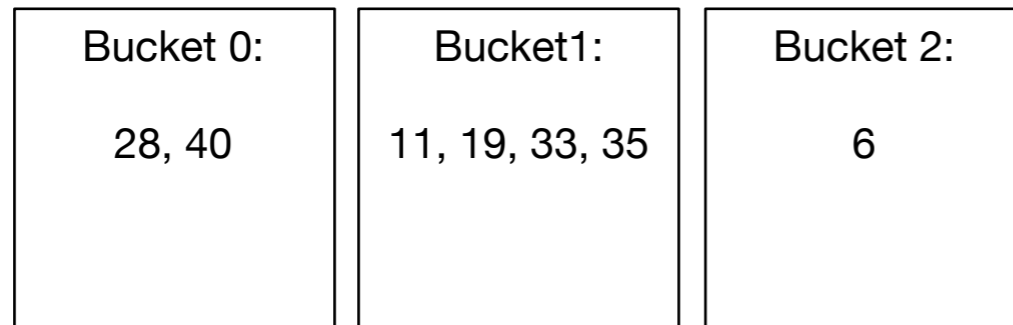
$$N = 4 = 2^2 + 0$$

Number of buckets: 4

Split pointer: 0

Level: 2

```
def address(c):  
    a = hash(c) % 2**1  
    if a < s:  
        a = hash(c) % 2**(1+1)  
    return a
```



Linear Hashtable Evolution

$$N = 4 = 2^2 + 0$$

Number of buckets: 4

Split pointer: 0

Level: 2

```
def address(c):  
    a = hash(c) % 2**1  
    if a < s:  
        a = hash(c) % 2**(1+1)  
    return a
```

Bucket 0: 28, 40	Bucket 1: 33	Bucket 2: 6	Bucket 3: 11, 19, 35
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Now add keys 8, 49

Bucket 0: 28, 40, 8	Bucket 1: 33, 49	Bucket 2: 6	Bucket 3: 11, 19, 35
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Creates an overflow!
Need to split!

Linear Hashtable Evolution

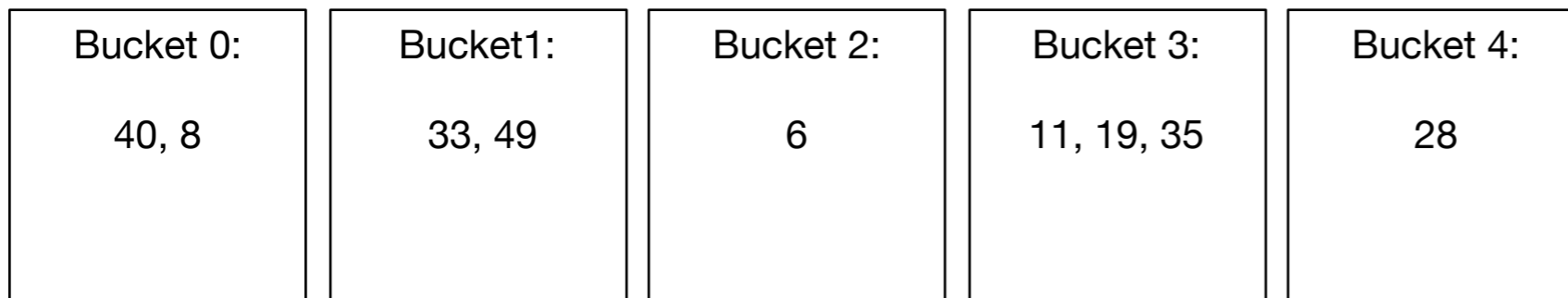
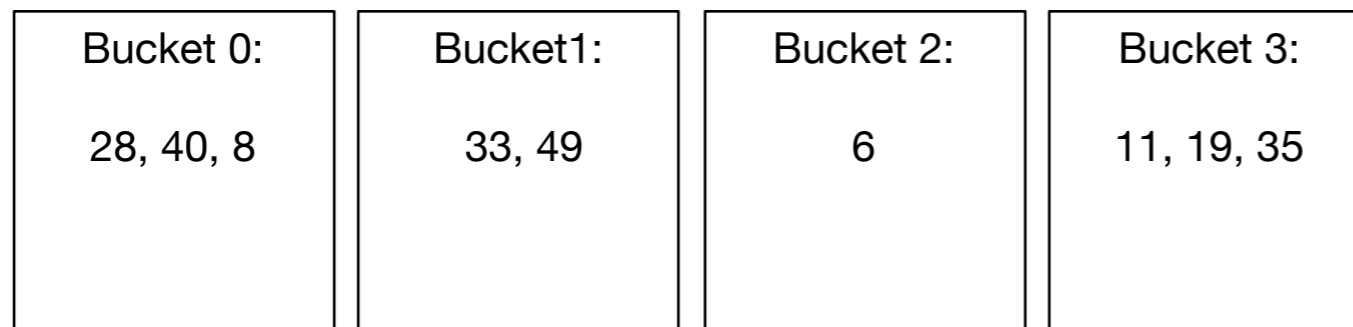
$$N = 5 = 2^2 + 1$$

Number of buckets: 1

Split pointer: 1

Level: 2

```
def address(c):  
    a = hash(c) % 2**1  
    if a < s:  
        a = hash(c) % 2**(1+1)  
    return a
```



Create Bucket 4.
Rehash Bucket 0.

Linear Hashtable Evolution

$$N = 5 = 2^2 + 1$$

Number of buckets: 5

Split pointer: 1

Level: 2

```
def address(c):  
    a = hash(c) % 2**1  
    if a < s:  
        a = hash(c) % 2**(1+1)  
    return a
```

Bucket 0:	Bucket1:	Bucket 2:	Bucket 3:	Bucket 4:
40, 8	33, 49	6	11, 19, 35	28

Add keys 9, 42

Bucket 0:	Bucket1:	Bucket 2:	Bucket 3:	Bucket 4:
40, 8	9, 33, 49	6, 42	11, 19, 35	28

Creates an overflow!
Need to split!

Linear Hashtable Evolution

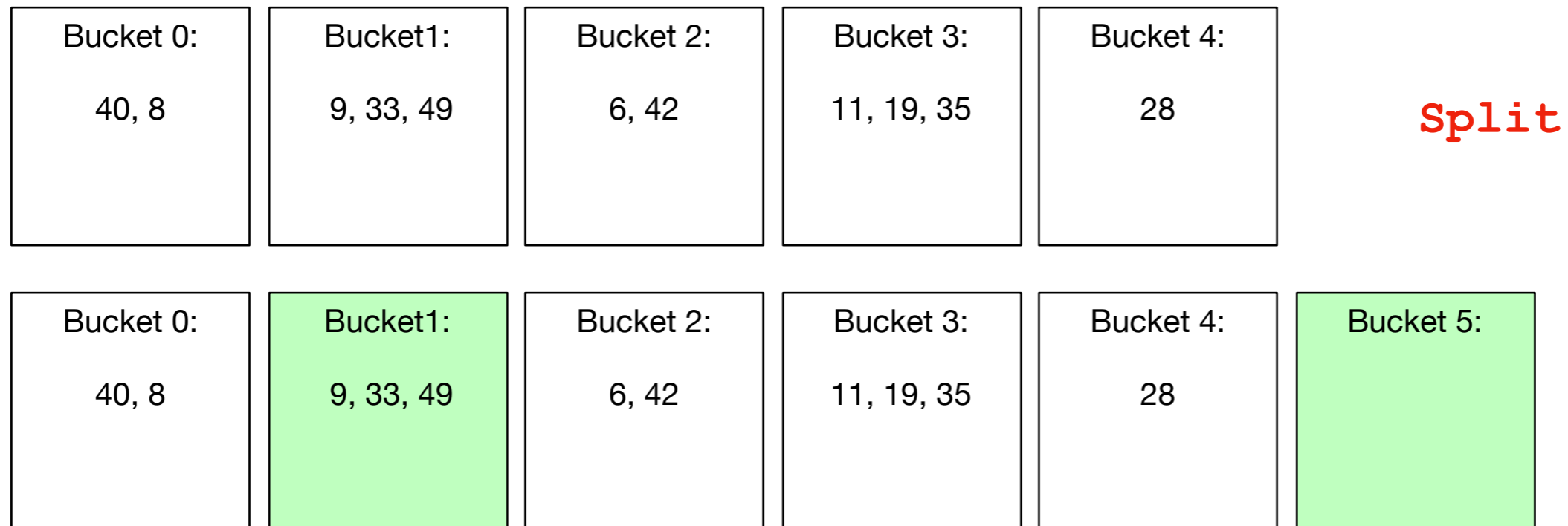
$$N = 6 = 2^2 + 2$$

Number of buckets: 1

Split pointer: 2

Level: 2

```
def address(c):  
    a = hash(c) % 2**1  
    if a < s:  
        a = hash(c) % 2**(1+1)  
    return a
```



No item actually moved, but average load factor is now again under 2.

Linear Hashtable Evolution

$$N = 6 = 2^2 + 2$$

Number of buckets: 6

Split pointer: 2

Level: 2

```
def address(c):  
    a = hash(c) % 2**1  
    if a < s:  
        a = hash(c) % 2**(1+1)  
    return a
```

Bucket 0: 40, 8	Bucket1: 9, 33, 49	Bucket 2: 6, 42	Bucket 3: 11, 19, 35	Bucket 4: 28	Bucket 5:	add 5,10
Bucket 0: 40, 8	Bucket1: 9, 33, 49	Bucket 2: 6, 10, 42	Bucket 3: 11, 19, 35	Bucket 4: 28	Bucket 5: 5	

Linear Hashtable Evolution

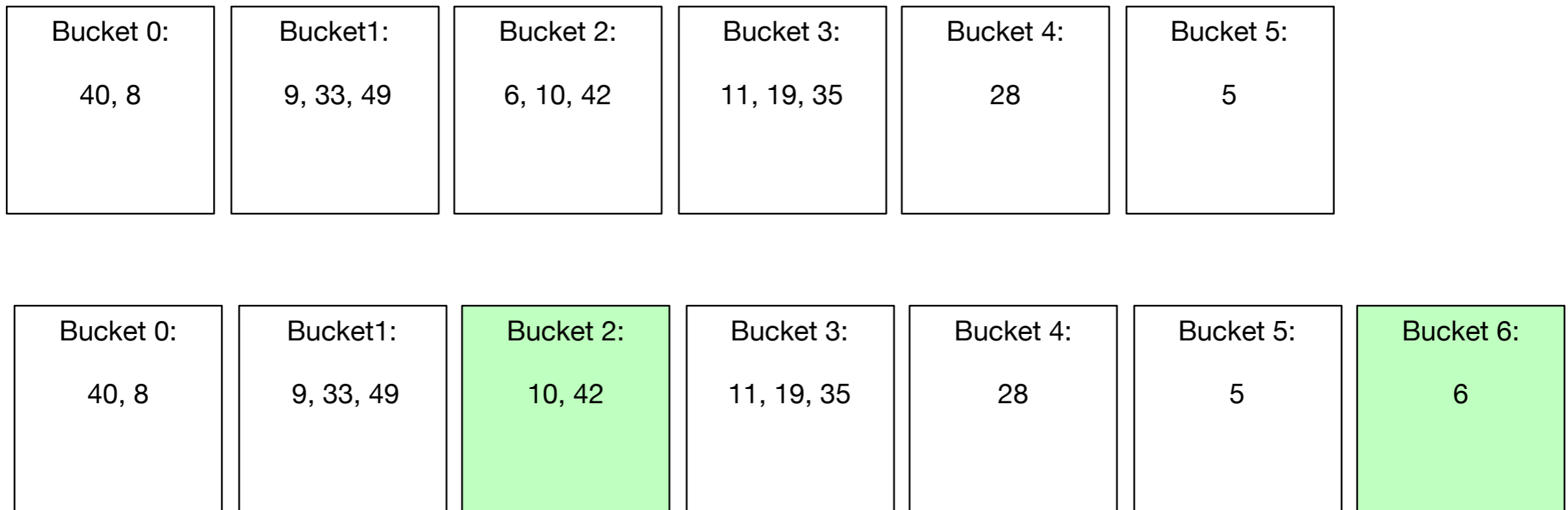
$$N = 7 = 2^2 + 3$$

Number of buckets: 7

Split pointer: 3

Level: 2

```
def address(c):  
    a = hash(c) % 2**1  
    if a < s:  
        a = hash(c) % 2**(1+1)  
    return a
```



Linear Hashtable Evolution

$$N = 7 = 2^2 + 3$$

Number of buckets: 7

Split pointer: 3

Level: 2

```
def address(c):  
    a = hash(c) % 2**1  
    if a < s:  
        a = hash(c) % 2**(1+1)  
    return a
```

Bucket 0:	Bucket1:	Bucket 2:	Bucket 3:	Bucket 4:	Bucket 5:	Bucket 6:
40, 8	9, 33, 49	10, 42	11, 19, 35	28	5	6

add 92, 74

Bucket 0:	Bucket1:	Bucket 2:	Bucket 3:	Bucket 4:	Bucket 5:	Bucket 6:
40, 8	9, 33, 49	10, 42, 74	11, 19, 35	28, 92	5	6

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$$N = 8 = 2^3 + 0$$

Number of buckets: 8

Split pointer: 0

Level: 3

```
def address(c):  
    a = hash(c) % 2**1  
    if a < s:  
        a = hash(c) % 2**(1+1)  
    return a
```

Bucket 0: 40, 8	Bucket 1: 9, 33, 49	Bucket 2: 10, 42, 74	Bucket 3: 11, 19, 35	Bucket 4: 28, 92	Bucket 5: 5	Bucket 6: 6
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Bucket 0: 40, 8	Bucket 1: 9, 33, 49	Bucket 2: 10, 42, 74	Bucket 3: 11, 19, 35	Bucket 4: 28, 92	Bucket 5: 5	Bucket 6: 6	Bucket 7:
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Linear Hashtable Evolution

$$N = 8 = 2^3 + 0$$

Number of buckets: 8

Split pointer: 0

Level: 3

```
def address(c):  
    a = hash(c) % 2**1  
    if a < s:  
        a = hash(c) % 2**(1+1)  
    return a
```

Bucket 0:	Bucket1:	Bucket 2:	Bucket 3:	Bucket 4:	Bucket 5:	Bucket 6:	Bucket 7:
40, 8	9, 33, 49	10, 42, 74	11, 19, 35	28, 92	5	6	

add 13, 54

Bucket 0:	Bucket1:	Bucket 2:	Bucket 3:	Bucket 4:	Bucket 5:	Bucket 6:	Bucket 7:
	9, 33, 49	10, 42, 74	11, 19, 35	28, 92	5, 13	6, 54	

Linear Hashtable Evolution

$$N = 9 = 2^3 + 1$$

Number of buckets: 9

Split pointer: 1

Level: 3

```
def address(c):  
    a = hash(c) % 2**1  
    if a < s:  
        a = hash(c) % 2**(1+1)  
    return a
```

Bucket 0:	Bucket1: 9, 33, 49	Bucket 2: 10, 42, 74	Bucket 3: 11, 19, 35	Bucket 4: 28, 92	Bucket 5: 5, 13	Bucket 6: 6, 54	Bucket 7:	
Bucket 0:	Bucket1: 9, 33, 49	Bucket 2: 10, 42, 74	Bucket 3: 11, 19, 35	Bucket 4: 28, 92	Bucket 5: 5, 13	Bucket 6: 6, 54	Bucket 7:	Bucket 8: 40, 8

Linear Hashtable Evolution

$$N = 9 = 2^3 + 1$$

Number of buckets: 9

Split pointer: 1

Level: 3

```
def address(c):  
    a = hash(c) % 2**1  
    if a < s:  
        a = hash(c) % 2**(1+1)  
    return a
```

Bucket 0:	Bucket 1: 9, 33, 49	Bucket 2: 10, 42, 74	Bucket 3: 11, 19, 35	Bucket 4: 28, 92	Bucket 5: 5, 13	Bucket 6: 6, 54	Bucket 7:	Bucket 8: 40, 8	add 1, 81
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Bucket 0:	Bucket 1: 1, 9, 33, 49, 81	Bucket 2: 10, 42, 74	Bucket 3: 11, 19, 35	Bucket 4: 28, 92	Bucket 5: 5, 13	Bucket 6: 6, 54	Bucket 7:	Bucket 8: 40, 8
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Linear Hashtable Evolution

$$N = 10 = 2^3 + 2$$

Number of buckets: 10

Split pointer: 2

Level: 3

```
def address(c):  
    a = hash(c) % 2**1  
    if a < s:  
        a = hash(c) % 2**(1+1)  
    return a
```

Bucket 0:	Bucket1: 1, 33, 49, 81	Bucket 2: 10, 42, 74	Bucket 3: 11, 19, 35, 67, 99	Bucket 4: 28, 92	Bucket 5: 5, 13	Bucket 6: 6, 54	Bucket 7: 39	Bucket 8: 40, 8	Bucket 9: 9	
Bucket 0:	Bucket1: 1, 33, 49, 81	Bucket 2: 10, 42, 74	Bucket 3: 11, 19, 35, 67, 99	Bucket 4: 28, 92	Bucket 5: 5, 13	Bucket 6: 6, 54	Bucket 7: 39	Bucket 8: 40, 8	Bucket 9: 9	Bucket 10: 10, 42, 74

Linear Hashing

- Observations:
 - Buckets split in fixed order
 - 0, 0,1, 0, 1, 2, 3, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 0, 1, 2, ..., 15, 0, ...
 - Address calculation is modulo 2^l , i.e. the l least significant bits
 - Buckets 0, 1, ..., $s-1$ and $2^{**}l$, $2^{**}l+1$, ... $N-1$ are already split, they have on average half the size of the buckets s , $s+1$, ..., $2^{**}l$.

Linear Hashing

- Observations:
 - An overflowing bucket is not necessarily split immediately
 - Sometimes, a split leaves all keys in the splitting bucket or moves them all to the new bucket
- On average, a bucket will have α items in them