

Parallel Hash Join Algorithms



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LAST CLASS

How to break up input data into smaller units (morsels) and allow workers to pull them from a global queue.

Distributed query scheduling is roughly the same as multi-core single node query scheduling.

DYNAMIC SCALING VS. WORK STEALING

There are two design decisions on how to handle queries that take longer to complete than expected.

Approach #1: Dynamic Scaling

- \rightarrow Provision additional workers before a query starts.
- \rightarrow Example: Snowflake Flexible Compute

Approach #2: Work Stealing

- \rightarrow A worker takes tasks from a peer.
- \rightarrow Example: Snowflake Scheduler



TODAY'S AGENDA

Background Parallel Hash Join Hash Functions Hashing Schemes Evaluation

PARALLEL JOIN ALGORITHMS

Perform a join between <u>two</u> relations on multiple threads simultaneously to speed up operation. \rightarrow We will discuss multi-way joins next class.

Two main approaches:

- \rightarrow Hash Join
- \rightarrow Sort-Merge Join

We won't discuss nested-loop joins because an OLAP DBMS almost never wants to use this...

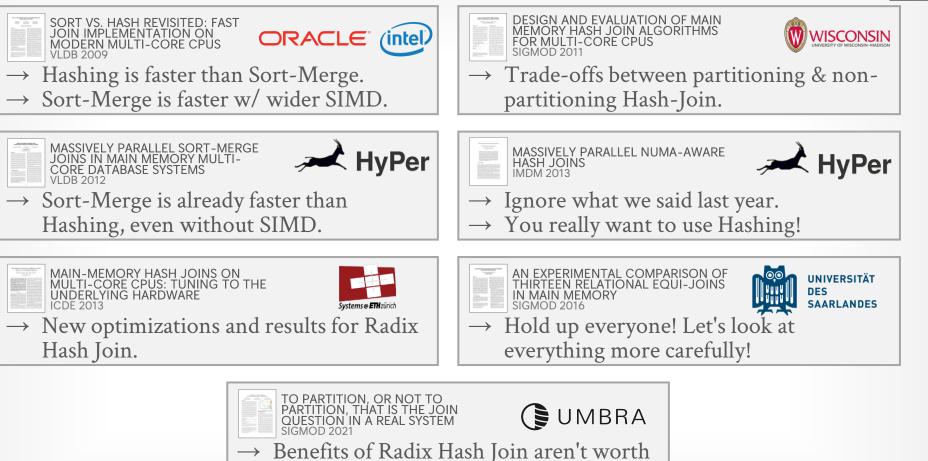


HASHING VS. SORTING JOINS

- **1970s** Sorting
- 1980s Hashing
- 1990s Equivalent
- 2000s Hashing

2010s – Hashing (Partitioned vs. Non-Partitioned)2020s – Non-Partitioned Hashing





→ Benefits of Radix Hash Join aren't wort dev costs. Hard to know when to use it.

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JOIN ALGORITHM DESIGN GOALS

These goals matter whether the DBMS is using a hardware-conscious vs. hardware-oblivious algorithm for joins.

Goal #1: Minimize Synchronization

 \rightarrow Avoid taking latches during execution.

Goal #2: Minimize Memory Access Cost

- \rightarrow Ensure that data is always local to worker thread. \rightarrow Reuse data while it exists in CPU cache.



IMPROVING CACHE BEHAVIOR

Factors that affect cache misses in a DBMS:

- \rightarrow Cache + TLB capacity.
- \rightarrow Locality (temporal and spatial).

Non-Random Access (Scan):

- \rightarrow Clustering data to a cache line.
- \rightarrow Execute more operations per cache line.

Random Access (Lookups):

 \rightarrow Partition data to fit in cache + TLB.

PARALLEL HASH JOINS

Hash join is one of the most important operators in a DBMS for OLAP workloads. \rightarrow But it is still not the dominant cost.

It is important that we speed up our DBMS's join algorithm by taking advantage of multiple cores.
→ We want to keep all cores busy, without becoming memory bound due to cache misses.

HASH JOIN (R⊳S)

Phase #1: Partition (optional)

 \rightarrow Divide the tuples of **R** and **S** into disjoint subsets using a hash function on the join key.

Phase #2: Build

 \rightarrow Scan relation **R** and create a hash table on join key.

Phase #3: Probe

 \rightarrow For each tuple in **S**, look up its join key in hash table for **R**. If a match is found, output combined tuple.





PARTITION PHASE

Split the input relations into partitioned buffers by hashing the tuples' join key(s).

- \rightarrow Divide the inner/outer relations and redistribute among the CPU cores.
- \rightarrow Ideally the cost of partitioning is less than the cost of cache misses during build phase.

Explicitly partitioning the input relations before a join operator is sometimes called **<u>Grace Hash Join</u>**.



PARTITION PHASE

- Approach #1: Non-Blocking Partitioning
 → Only scan the input relation once.
 → Produce output incrementally and let other threads build hash table at the same time.

Approach #2: Blocking Partitioning (Radix)

- \rightarrow Scan the input relation multiple times.
- \rightarrow Only materialize results all at once.
- \rightarrow Sometimes called **Radix Hash Join**.



NON-BLOCKING PARTITIONING

Scan the input relation only once and generate the output on-the-fly.

Approach #1: Shared Partitions

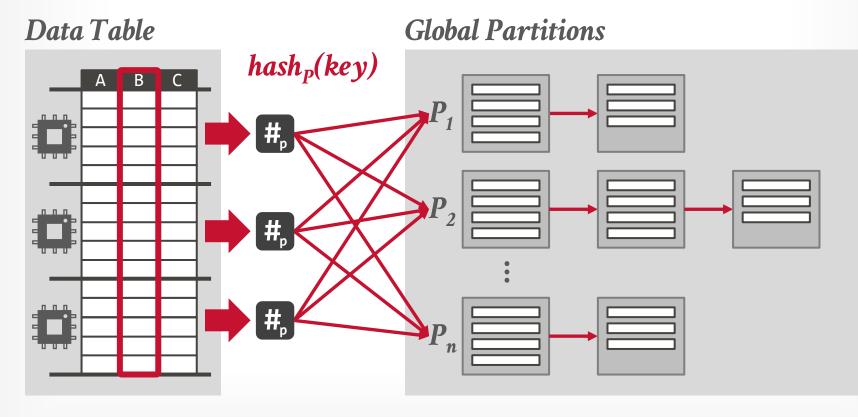
- \rightarrow Single global set of partitions that all threads update.
- \rightarrow Must use a latch to synchronize threads.

Approach #2: Private Partitions

- \rightarrow Each thread has its own set of partitions.
- \rightarrow Must consolidate them after all threads finish.

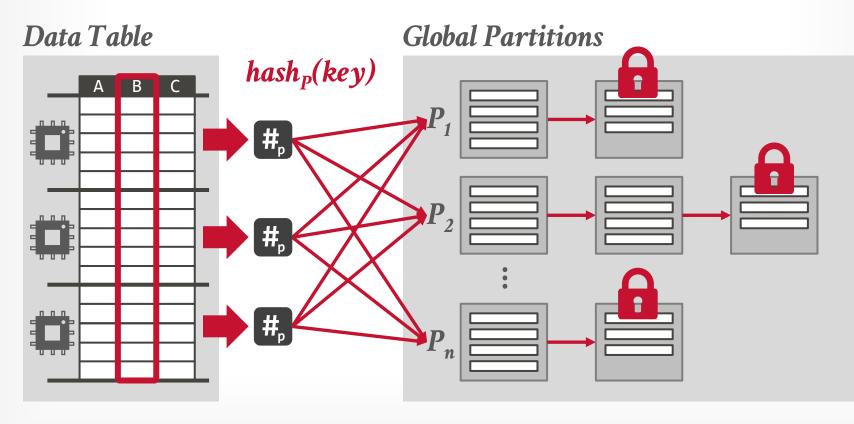


NON-BLOCKING: SHARED PARTITIONS



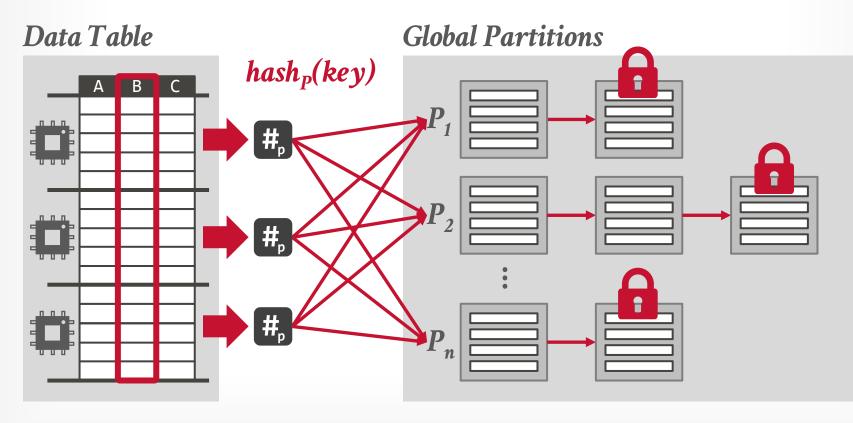
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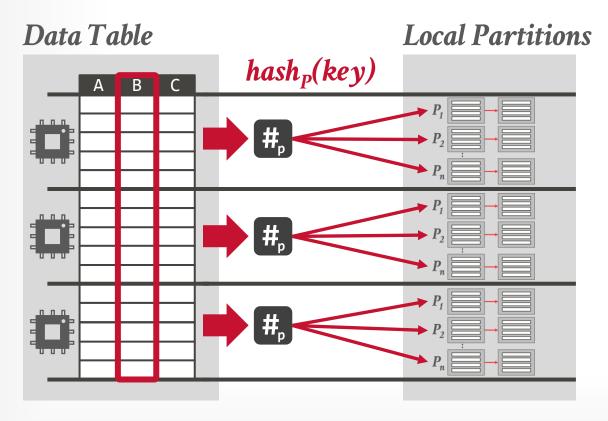


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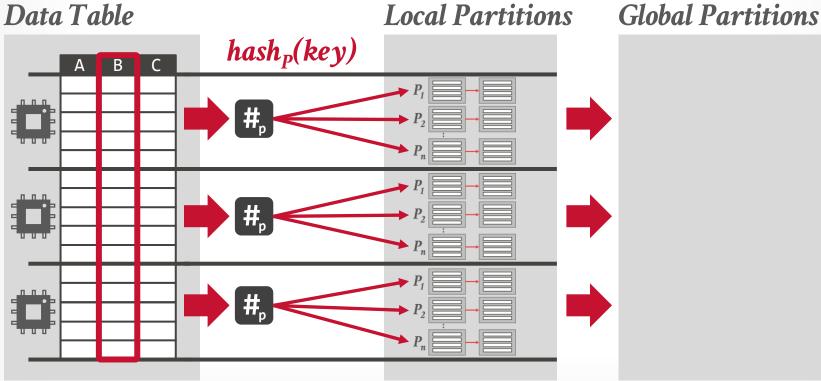
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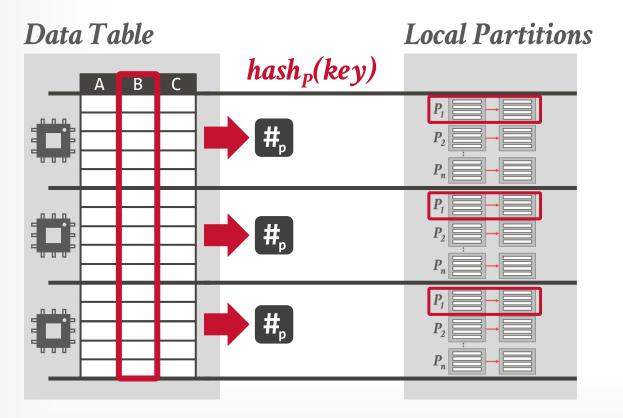
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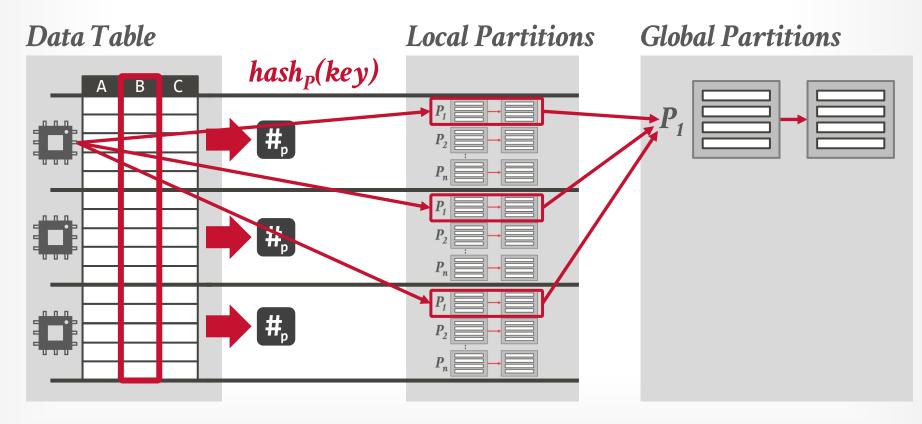




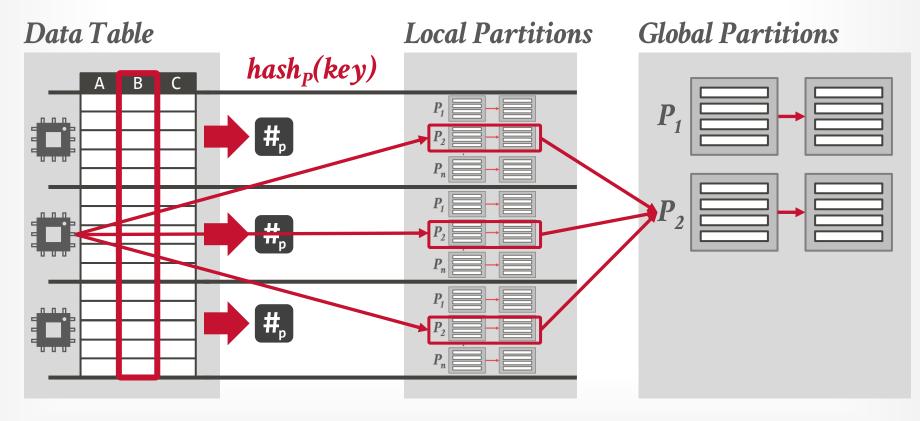


Global Partitions

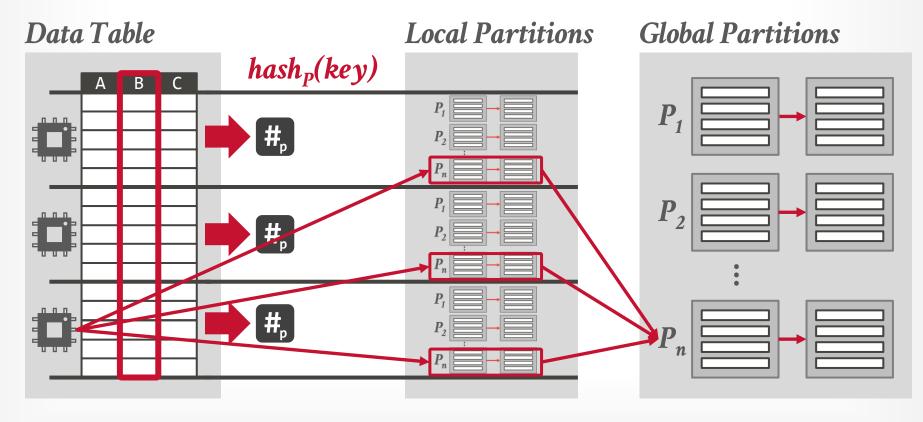
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Approach #2: Blocking Partitioning (Radix)

- $\rightarrow \text{Scan the input relation multiple times.}$ $\rightarrow \text{Only materialize results all at once.}$ $\rightarrow \text{Sometimes called } \underline{\text{Radix Hash Join}}.$

RADIX PARTITIONING

Scan the input relation multiple times to generate the partitions.

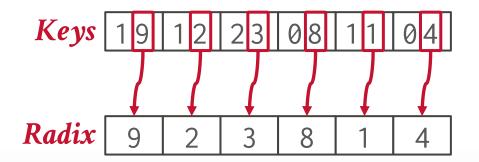
Two-pass algorithm:

- \rightarrow Step #1: Scan R and compute a histogram of the # of tuples per hash key for the radix at some offset.
- → **Step #2:** Use this histogram to determine per-thread output offsets by computing the **prefix sum**.
- \rightarrow **Step #3:** Scan **R** again and partition them according to the hash key.

RADIX

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 \rightarrow Efficient to compute with bitshifting + multiplication.

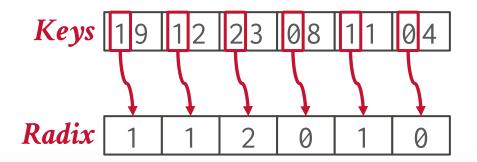




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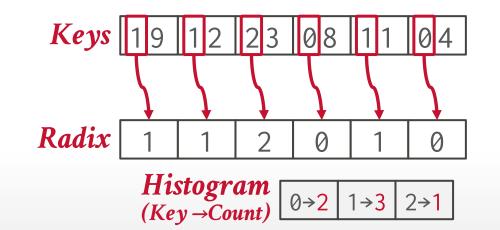


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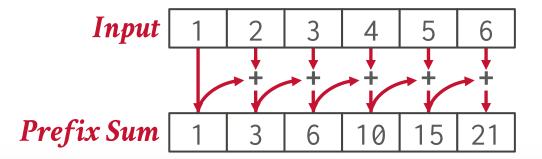
Compute radix for each key and populate histogram of counts per radix.



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PREFIX SUM

The prefix sum of a sequence of numbers $(x_0, x_1, ..., x_n)$ is a second sequence of numbers $(y_0, y1, ..., y_n)$ that is a running total of the input sequence.





PREFIX SI

Scan Primitives for Vector Computers*

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Abstract

This paper describes an optimized implementation of a set of scan (also called all-prefix-sums) primitives on a single processor of a CRAY Y-MP, and demonstrates that their use leads to greatly improved performance for several applications that cannot be vectorized with existing compiler technology. The algorithm used to implement the scans is based on an algorithm for parallel computers and is applicable with minor modifications to any register-based vector computer. On the CRAY Y-MP, the asymptotic running time of the plus-scan is about 2.25 times that of a vector add, and is within 20% of optimal. An important aspect of our implementation is that a set of segmented versions of these scans are only marginally more expensive than the unsegmented versions. These segmented versions can be used to execute a scan on multiple data sets without having to pay the vector startup cost (n1/2) for each set.

The paper describes a radix sorting routine based on the scans that is 13 times faster than a Fortran version and within 20% of a highly optimized library sort routine, three operations on trees that are between 10 and 20 times faster than the corresponding C versions, and a connectionist learning algorithm that is 10 times faster than the corresponding C version for sparse and irregular

1 Introduction

Vector supercomputers have been used to supply the high computing power needed for many applications. However, the performance obtained from these machines critically depends on the ability to produce code that vectorizes well. Two distinct approaches have been taken to meet this goal-vectorization of "dusty decks" [18], and language support for vector intrinsics, as seen in the proposed Fortran 8x standard [1]. In both cases, the focus of the work has been in speeding up "scientific" computations, characterized by regular and static data structures and predominantly regular access patterns within these data structures. These alternatives are not very effective for problems that

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	Scan version	Scalar version
segmented plus scan (int)	2.5	7.5 (*) 74.8 (*)
parallel radix sort (64 bits) branch_sums root_sums	896.8 12.2	11730.0 (*) 206.5 (†)
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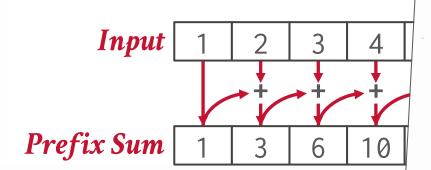
Table 1: Incremental processing times per element for primitives and applications discussed in this paper, for both scan and scalar versions. All numbers are for a single processor of a CRAY Y-MP. 1 clock tick = 6 ns. Items marked with (+) were written in Fortran and those marked with (†) were written in C.

create and manipulate more irregular and dynamically varying data structures such as trees and graphs.

Elsewhere, scan (prefix sum) operations have been shown to be extremely powerful primitives in designing parallel algorithms for manipulating such irregular and dynamically changing data structures [3]. This paper shows how the scan operations can also have great benefit for such algorithms on pipelined vector machines. It describes an optimized implementation of the scan primitives on the CRAY Y-MP1, and gives performance numbers for several applications based on the primitives (see Table 1). The approach in the design of these algorithms is similar to that of the Basic Linear Algebra Subprograms (BLAS) developed in the context of linear algebra computations [14] in that the algorithms are based on a set of primitives whose implementations are optimized rather than having a compiler try to vectorize existing

The remainder of this paper is organized as follows. Section 2 introduces the scan primitives and reviews previous work on vectorizing scans. Section 3 discusses our implementation in detail and presents performance numbers. Section 4 presents other primitives used in this paper, and three applications using these primitives. Finally, future work and conclusions are given

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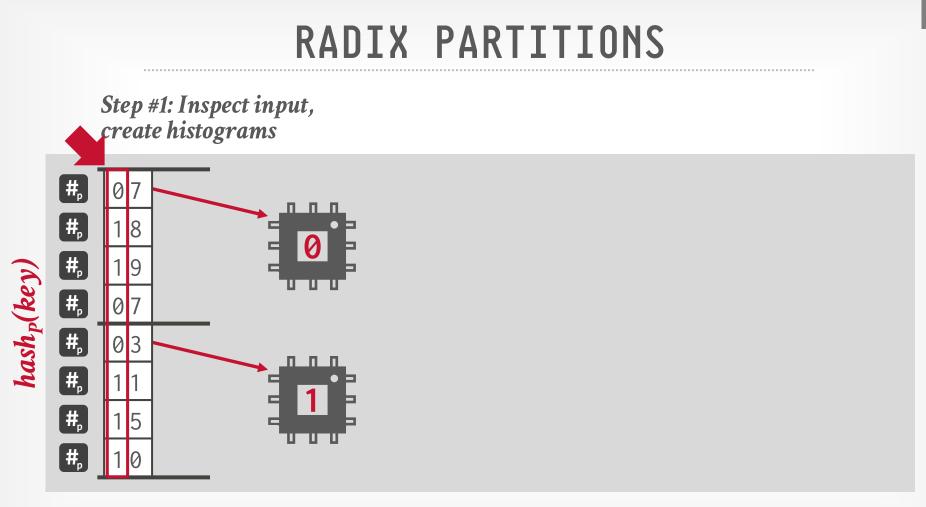
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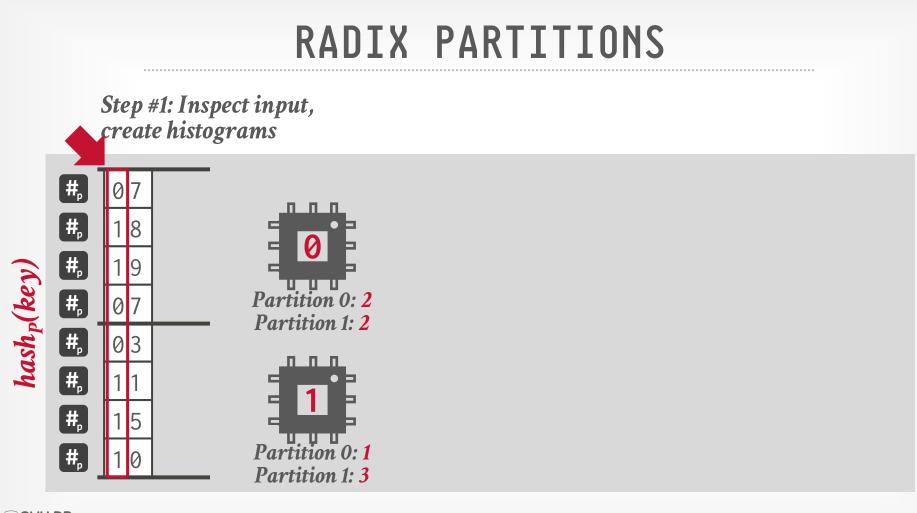
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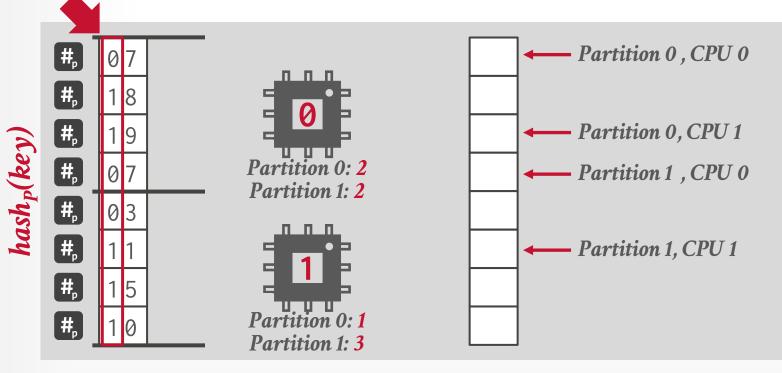


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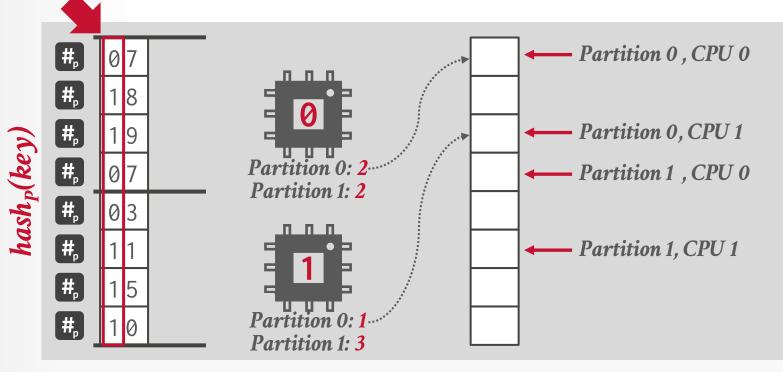
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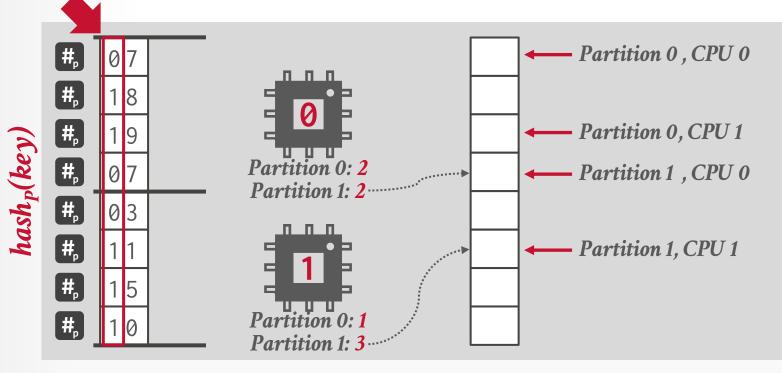
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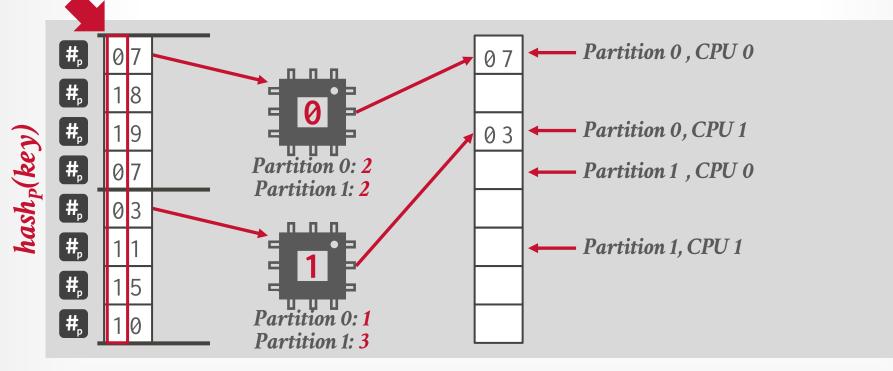
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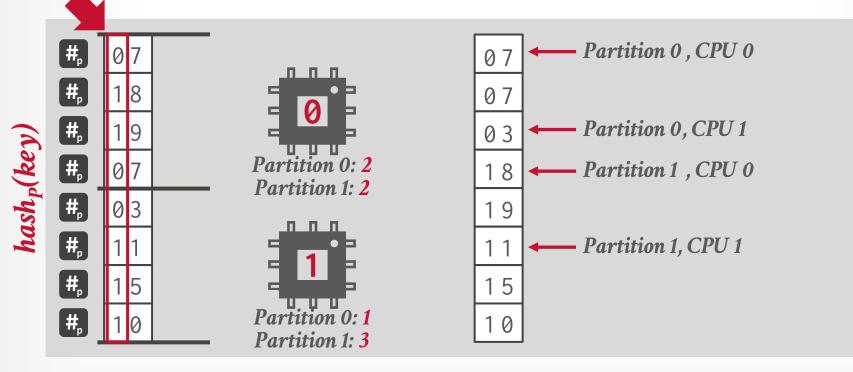
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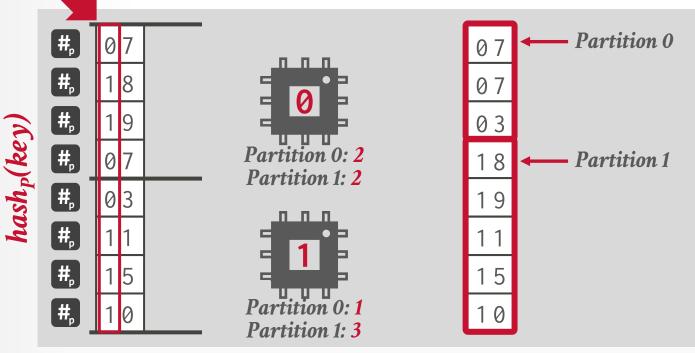


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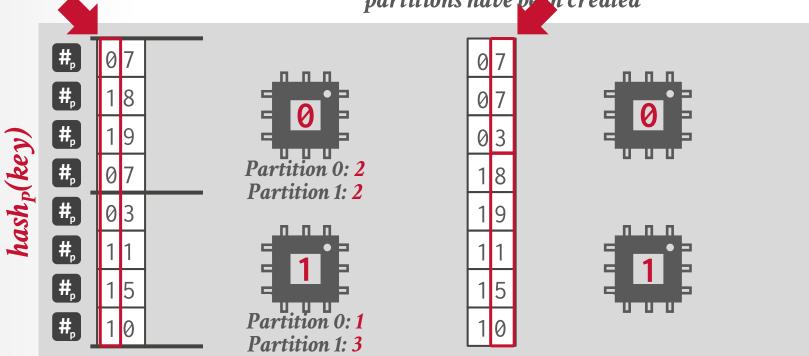
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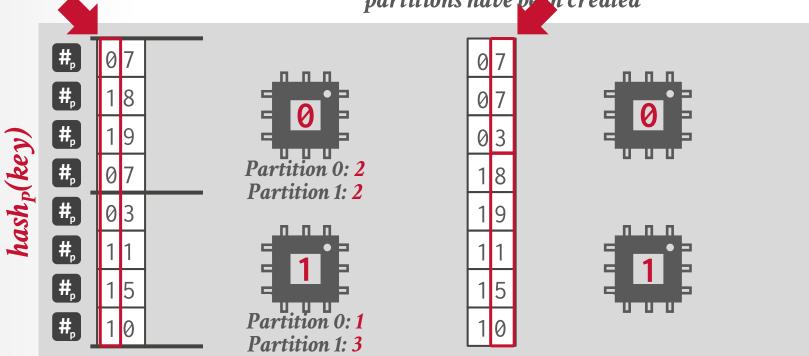
Recursively repeat until target number of partitions have been created











OPTIMIZATIONS

Software Write Combine Buffers:

- \rightarrow Each worker maintains local output buffer to stage writes.
- \rightarrow When buffer full, write changes to global partition.
- \rightarrow Similar to private partitions but without a separate write phase at the end.

Non-temporal Streaming Writes

 \rightarrow Workers write data to global partition memory using streaming instructions to <u>bypass CPU caches</u>.



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BUILD PHASE

The threads are then to scan either the tuples (or partitions) of R.

For each tuple, hash the join key attribute(s) for that tuple and add it to the appropriate bucket in the hash table.

 \rightarrow The buckets should only be a few cache lines in size.

HASH TABLES

Design Decision #1: Hash Function

- \rightarrow How to map a large key space into a smaller domain.
- \rightarrow Trade-off between being fast vs. collision rate.

Design Decision #2: Hashing Scheme

- \rightarrow How to handle key collisions after hashing.
- \rightarrow Trade-off between allocating a large hash table vs. additional instructions to find/insert keys.

We do not want to use a cryptographic hash function for our join algorithm.

We want something that is fast and will have a low collision rate.

- \rightarrow **Best Speed:** Always return '1'
- → **Best Collision Rate:** Perfect hashing

See <u>SMHasher</u> for a comprehensive hash function benchmark suite.

<u>CRC-32/64</u> (1975)

 \rightarrow Modern CPUs have explicit CRC instructions. Some DBMSs use this for hashing integers.

MurmurHash (2008)

 \rightarrow Designed as a fast, general-purpose hash function.

Google CityHash (2011)

 \rightarrow Designed to be faster for short keys (<64 bytes).

Facebook XXHash (2012)

 \rightarrow From the creator of zstd compression.

Google FarmHash (2014)

 \rightarrow Newer version of CityHash with better collision rates.

smhasher

SMhasher

Linux Build status 🛛 build passing build failing

Hash function	MiB/sec	cycl./hash	cycl./map	size	Quality problems	
donothing32	11149460.06	4.00	-	13	bad seed 0, test NOP	tion
donothing64	11787676.42	4.00	-	13	bad seed 0, test NOP	uon.
donothing128	11745060.76	4.06	-	13	bad seed 0, test NOP	
NOP_OAAT_read64	11372846.37	14.00	-	47	test NOP	
BadHash	769.94	73.97	-	47	bad seed 0, test FAIL	s).
sumhash	10699.57	29.53	-	363	bad seed 0, test FAIL	
sumhash32	42877.79	23.12	-	863	UB, test FAIL	
multiply_shift	8026.77	26.05	226.80 (8)	345	bad seeds & 0xffffff0, fails most tests	
pair_multiply_shift	3716.95	40.22	186.34 (3)	609	fails most tests	
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Summary

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	bad s	• Wyhash
	bad s	• ahash64
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	bad	• komihash
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		• pengyhash
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HASHING SCHEMES

Approach #1: Chained Hashing

Approach #2: Linear Probe Hashing

Approach #3: Robin Hood Hashing

Approach #4: Hopscotch Hashing

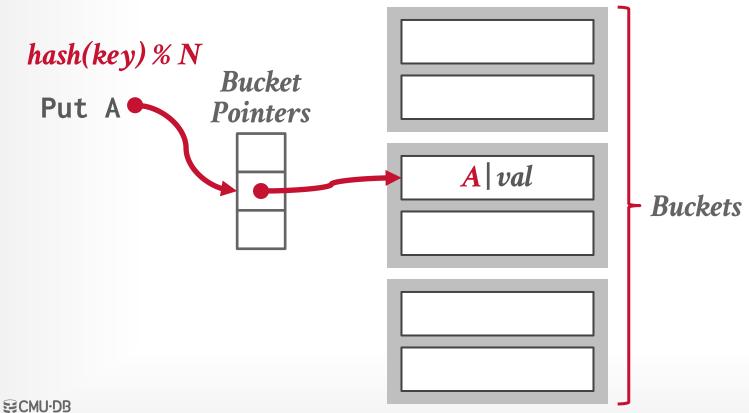
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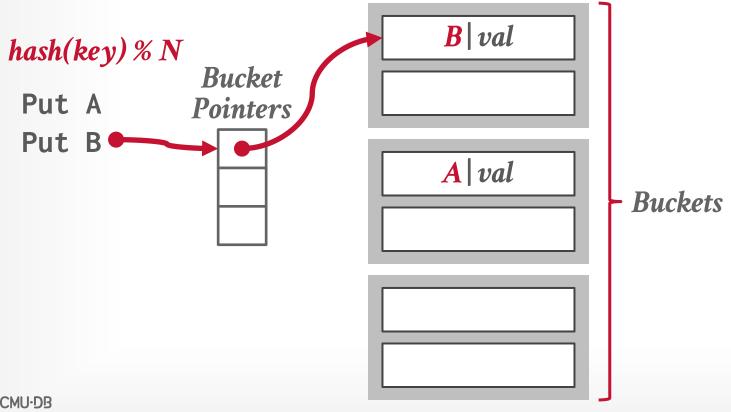


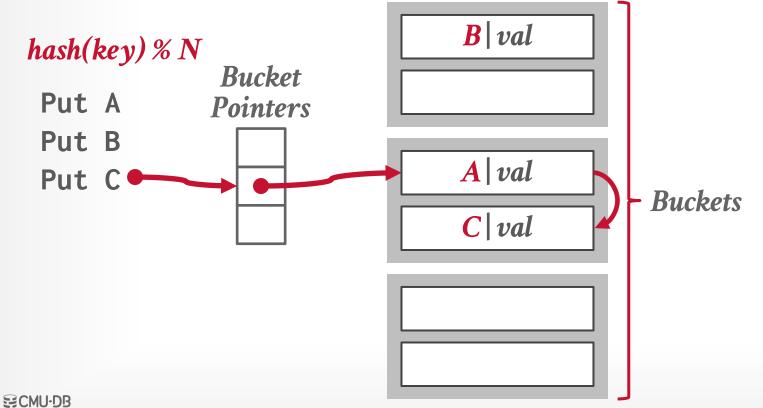
Maintain a linked list of <u>buckets</u> for each slot in the hash table.

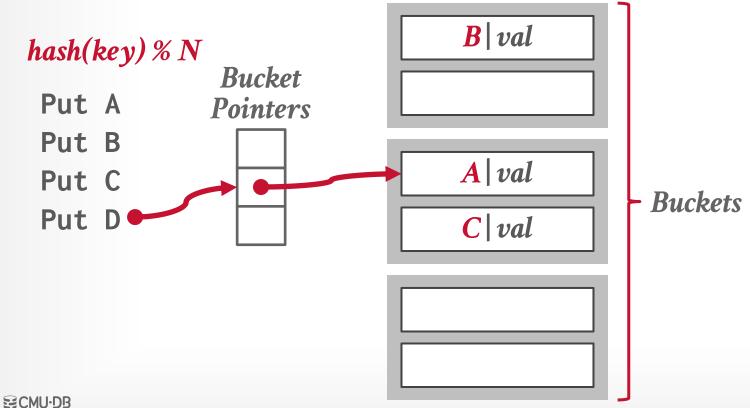
Resolve collisions by placing all elements with the same hash key into the same bucket.

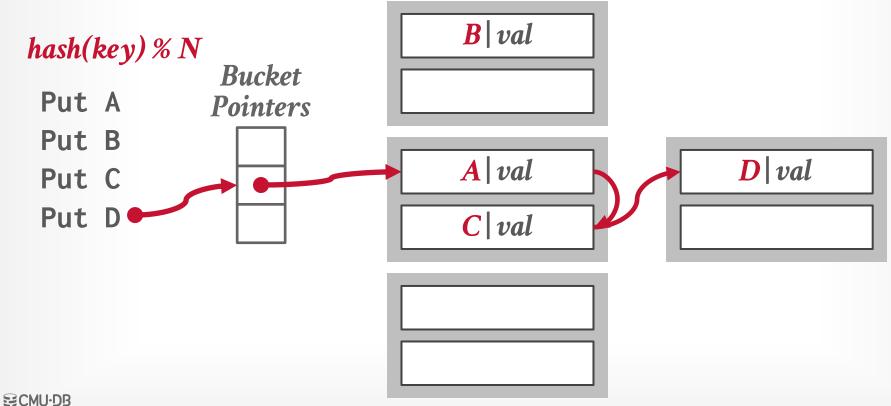
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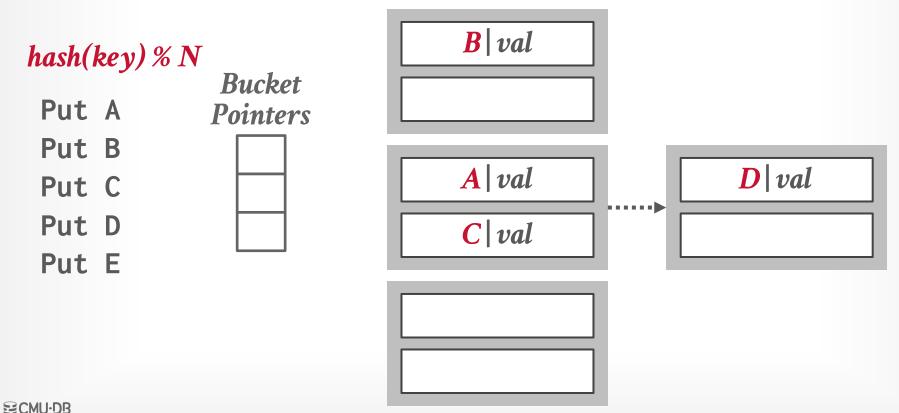


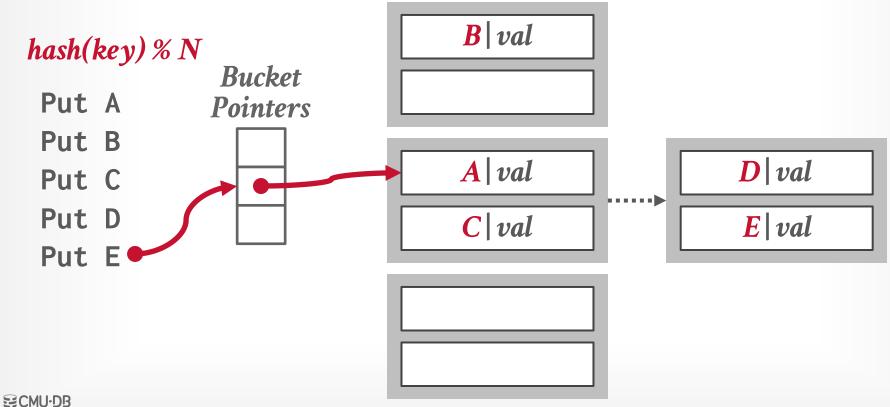


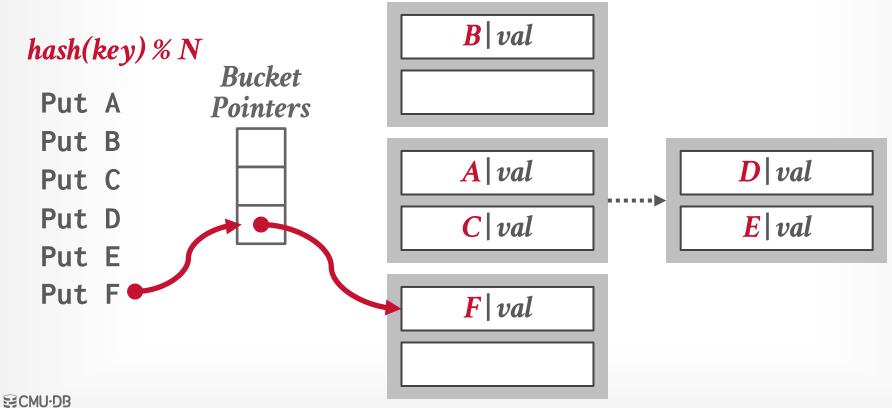


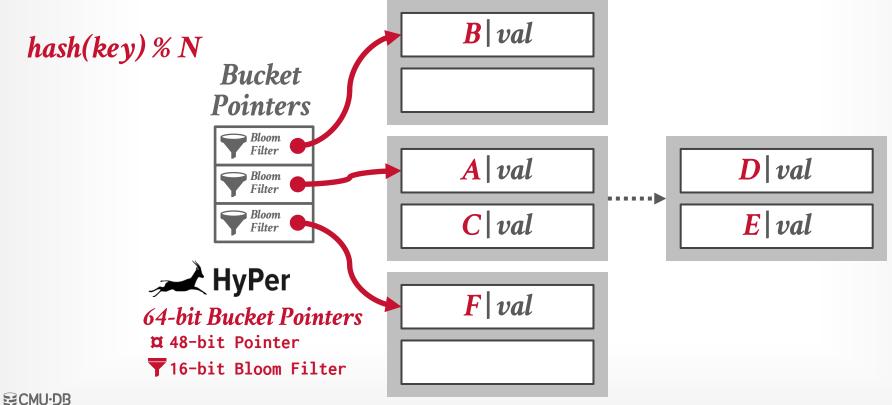


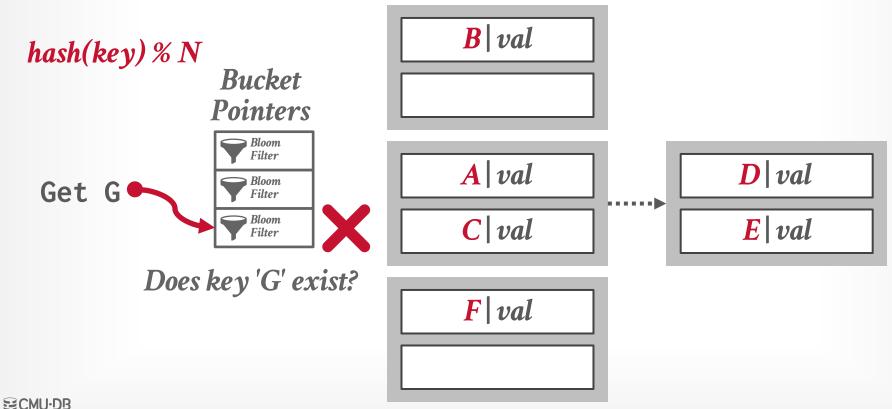












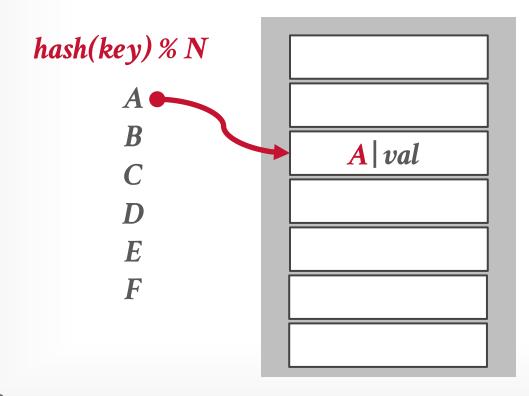
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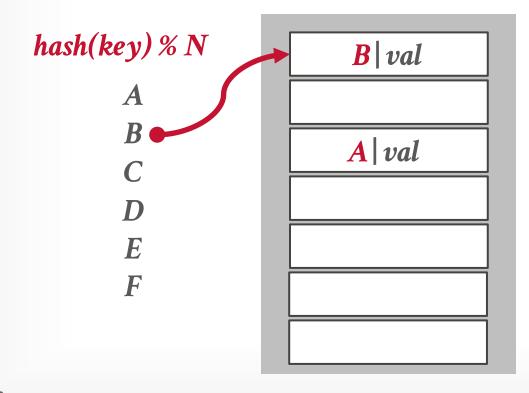
Single giant table of slots. Resolve collisions by searching for the next free slot in the table.

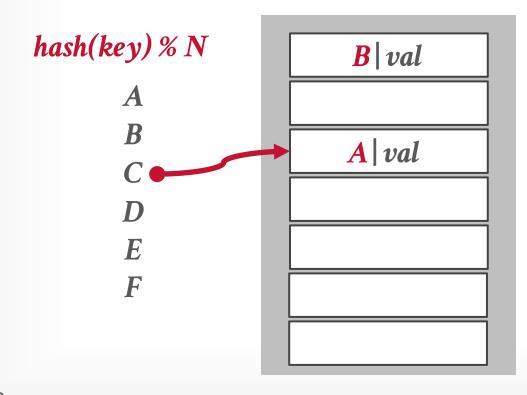
- \rightarrow To determine whether an element is present, hash to a location in the table and scan for it.
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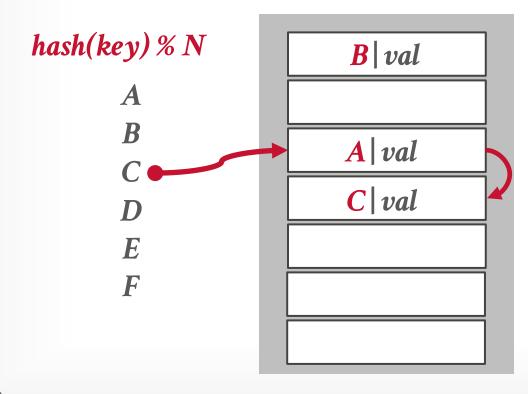
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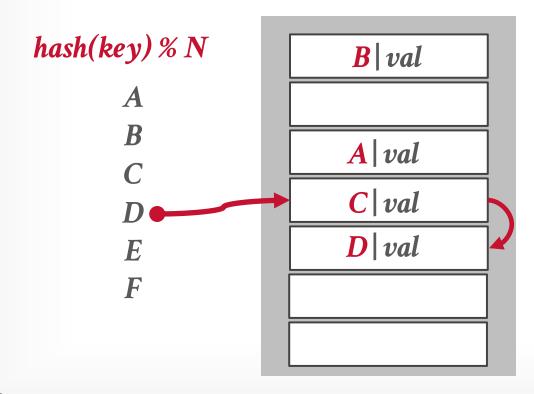
- \rightarrow Linear: Scan slots sequentially to find entry / empty slot.
- \rightarrow **Quadratic**: Jump to slots based on quadratic equation.

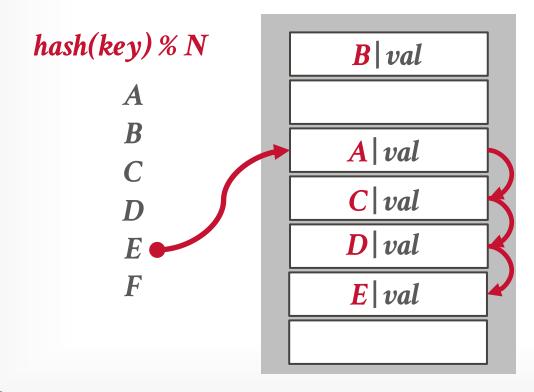


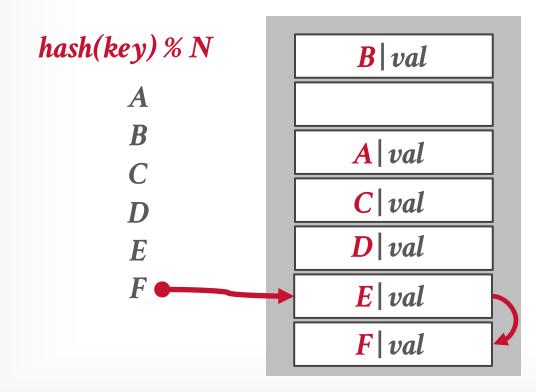












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OBSERVATION

To reduce the number of wasteful comparisons during the build/probe phases, it is important to avoid collisions of hashed keys.

This requires a hash table with $\sim 2 \times$ the number of slots as the number of elements in **R**.

ROBIN HOOD HASHING

Variant of linear probe hashing that steals slots from "rich" keys and give them to "poor" keys.

- \rightarrow Each key tracks the number of positions they are from where its optimal position in the table.
- \rightarrow On insert, a key takes the slot of another key if the first key is farther away from its optimal position than the second key.

Some research claims this is the best approach. Real-world results vary.



QuestDB

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Building a faster hash table for high performance SQL joins

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If you run a **JOIN** or a **GROUP BY** in a database of your choice, there is a good chance that there is a hash table at the core of the data processing. At QuestDB, we have **FastMap**, a hash table used for hash join and aggregate handling. While high performing, its design is a bit unconventional as it differs from most general-purpose hash tables.

In this article, we'll tell you why hash tables are important to databases, how QuestDB's **FastMap** works and why it speeds up SQL execution.

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jerrinot commented on Jan 5

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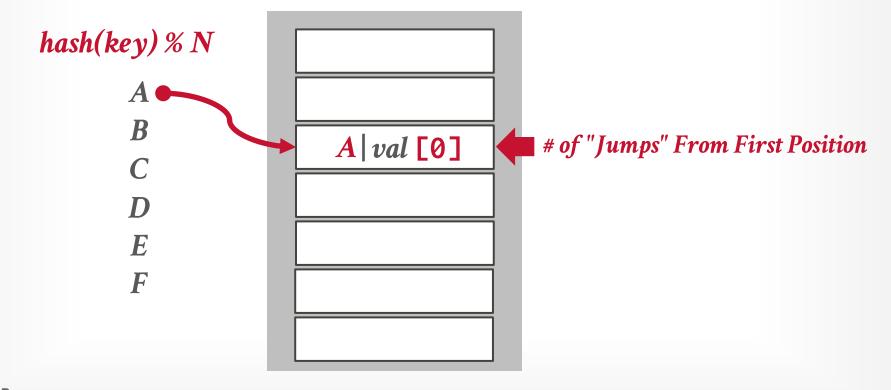
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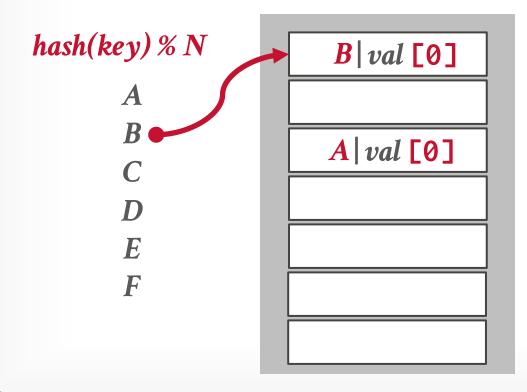
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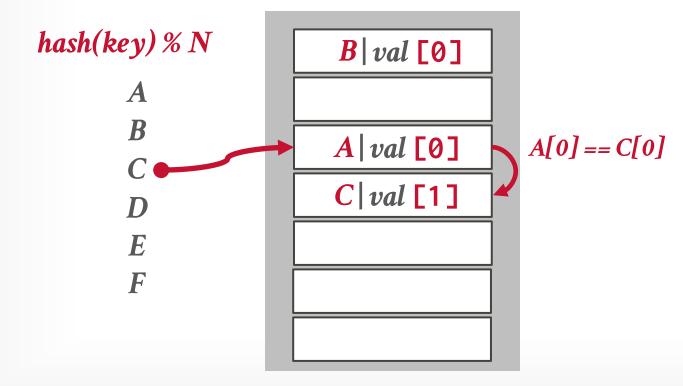
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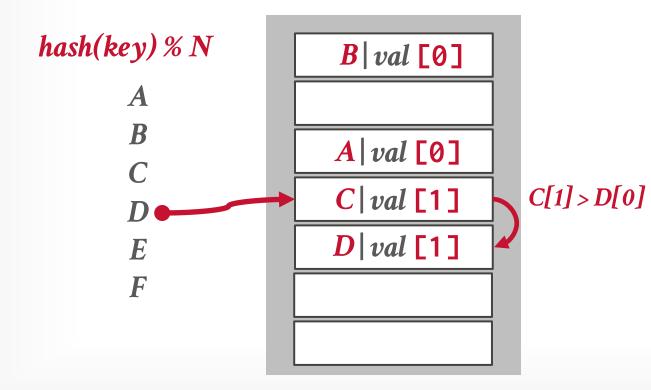


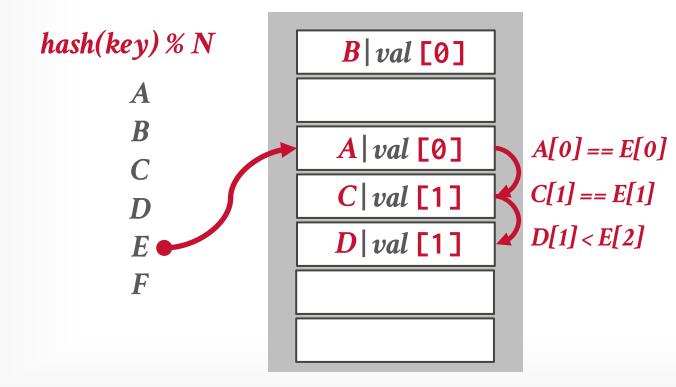


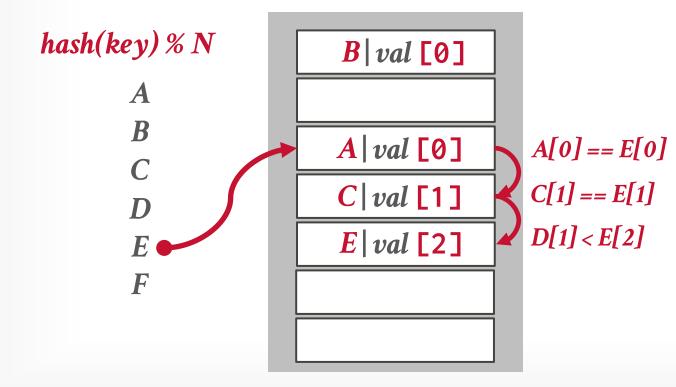


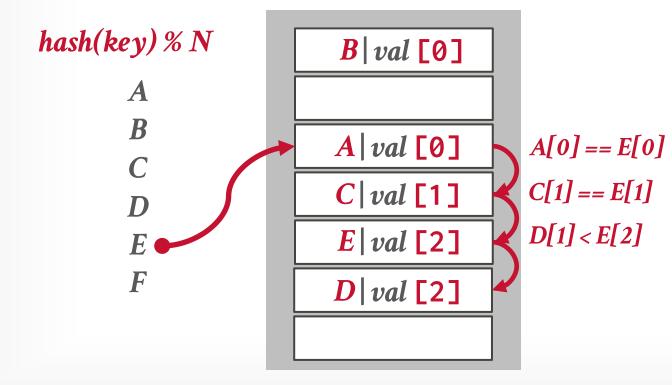


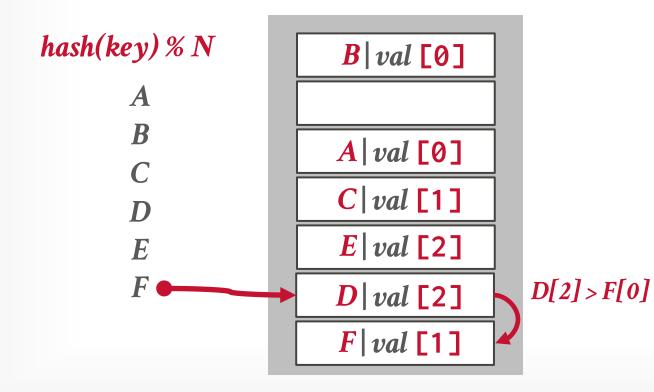










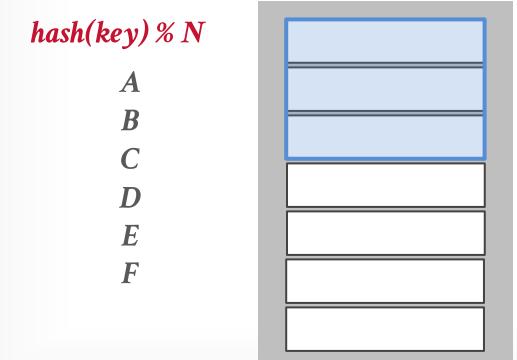


Variant of linear probe hashing where keys can move between positions in a **<u>neighborhood</u>**.

- \rightarrow A neighborhood is contiguous range of slots in the table.
- \rightarrow The size of a neighborhood is a configurable constant (ideally a single cache-line).
- \rightarrow A key is guaranteed to be in its neighborhood or not exist in the table.

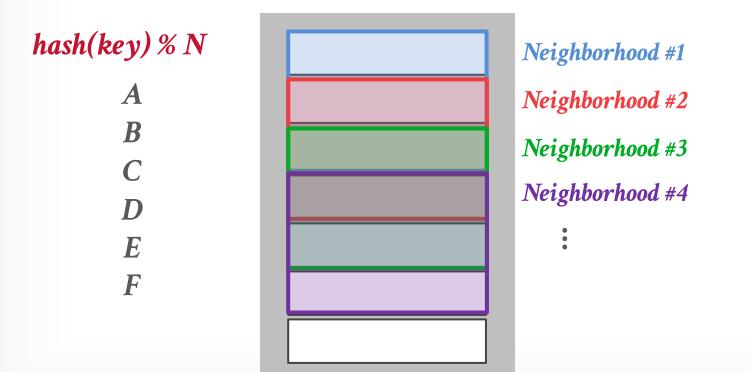
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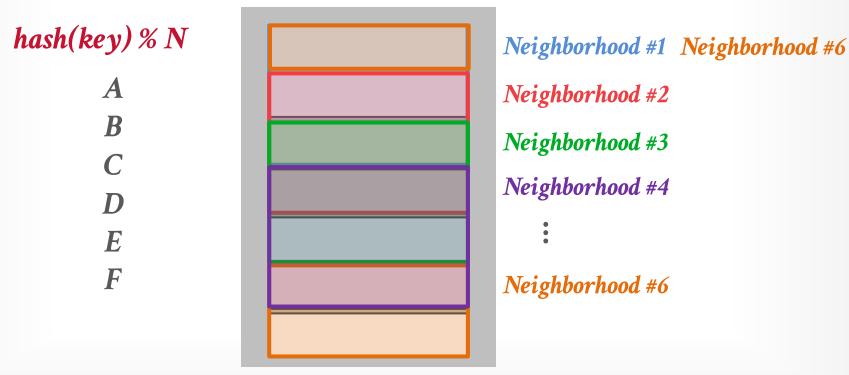


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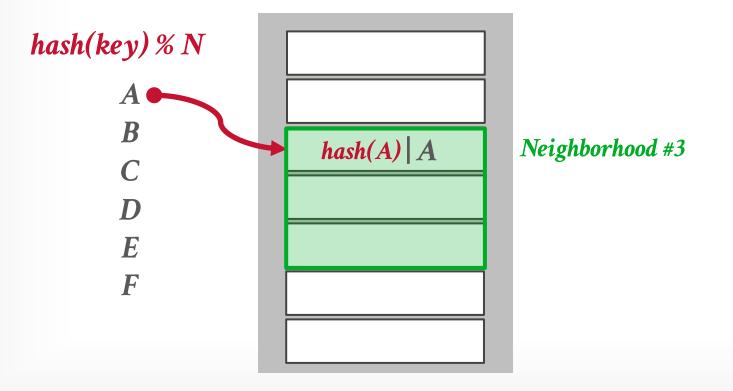


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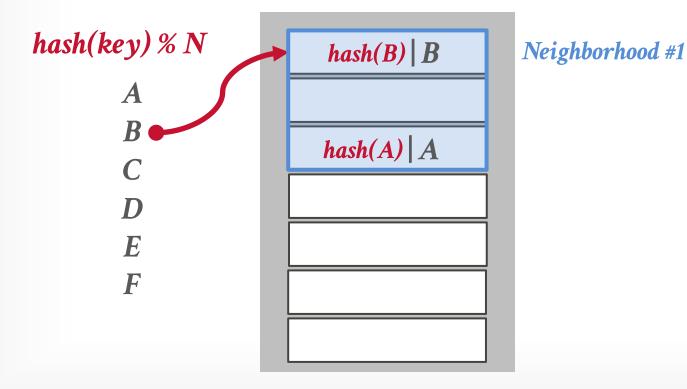




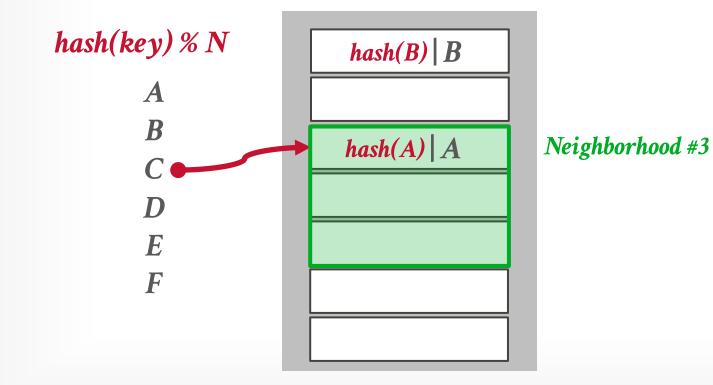




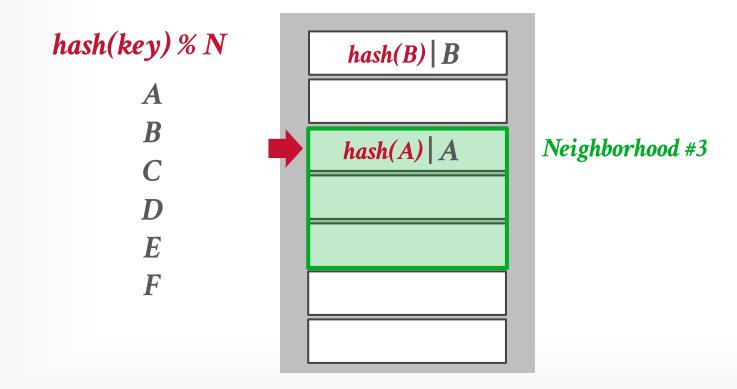
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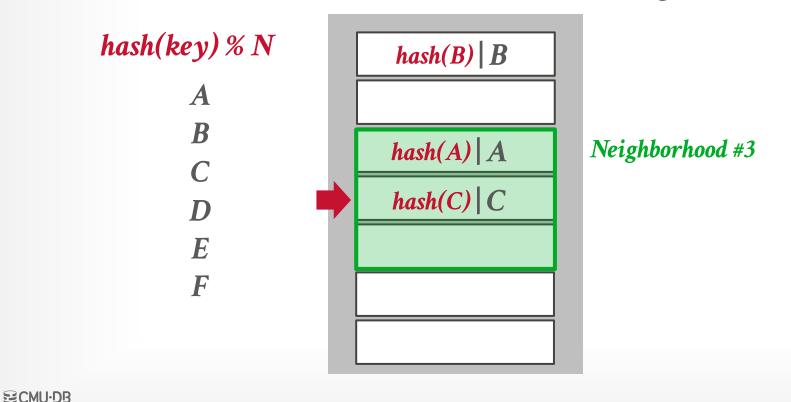
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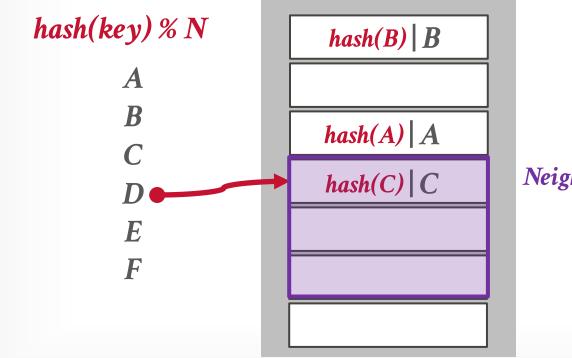
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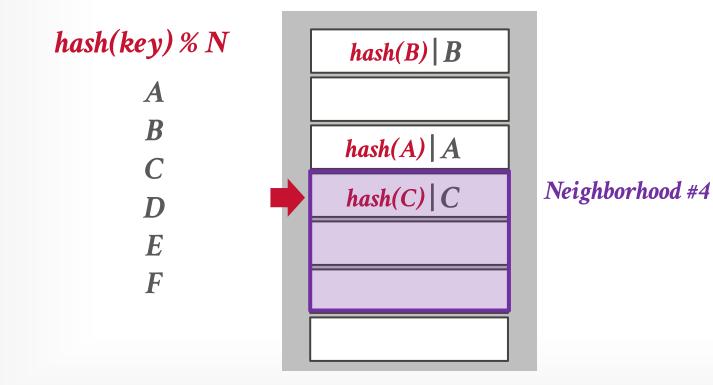
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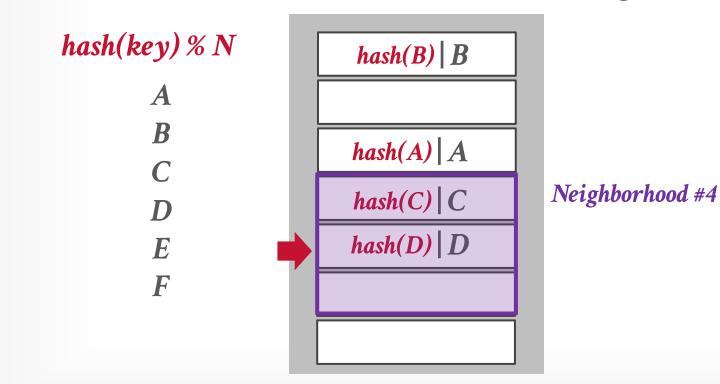
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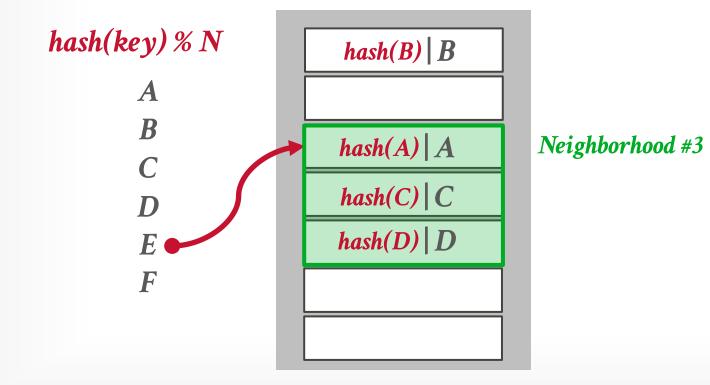
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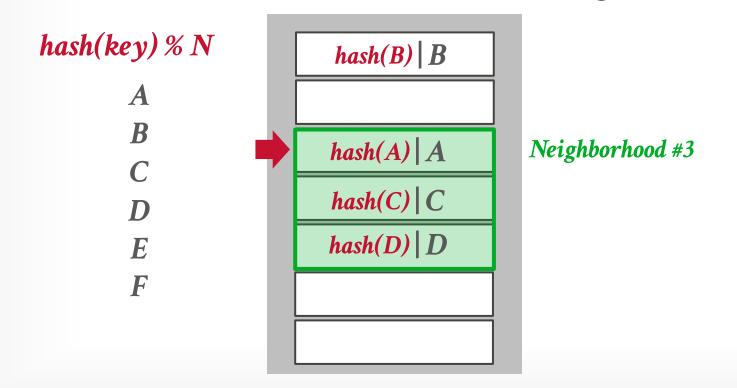
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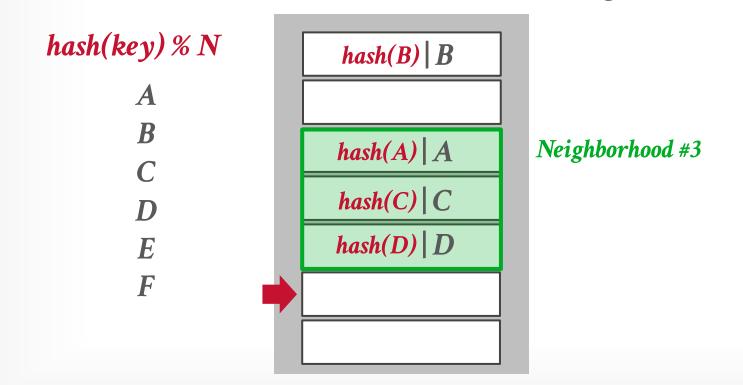
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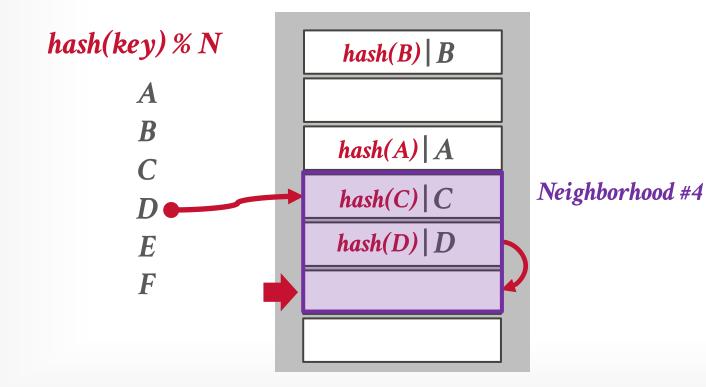
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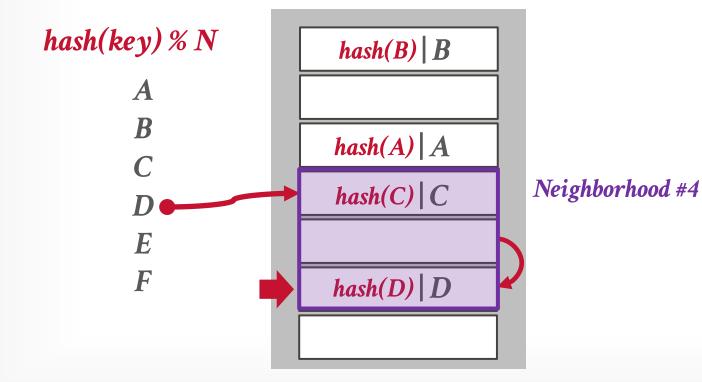
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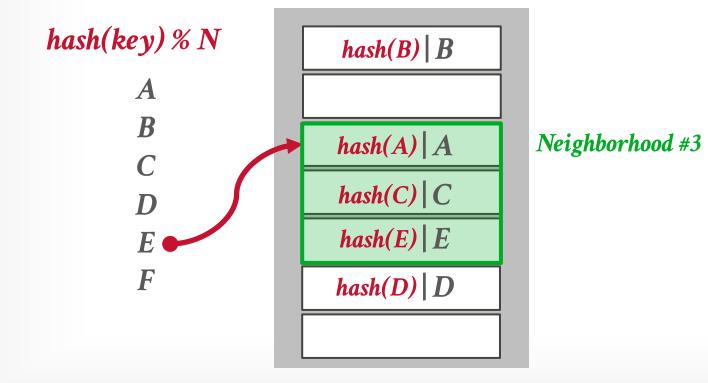


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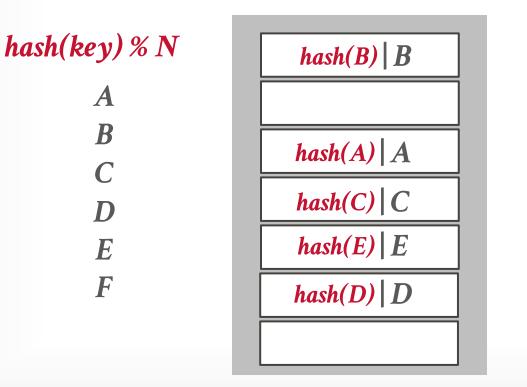




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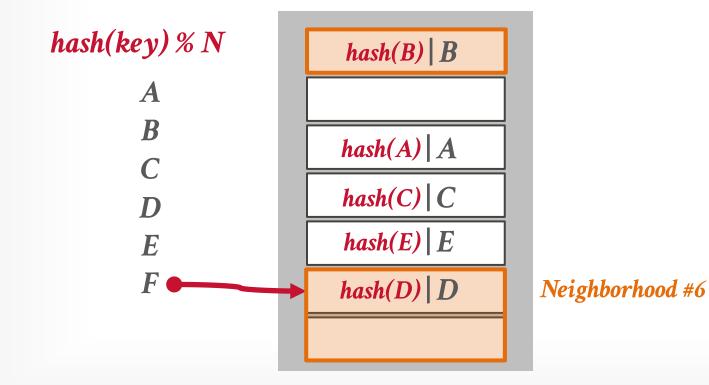


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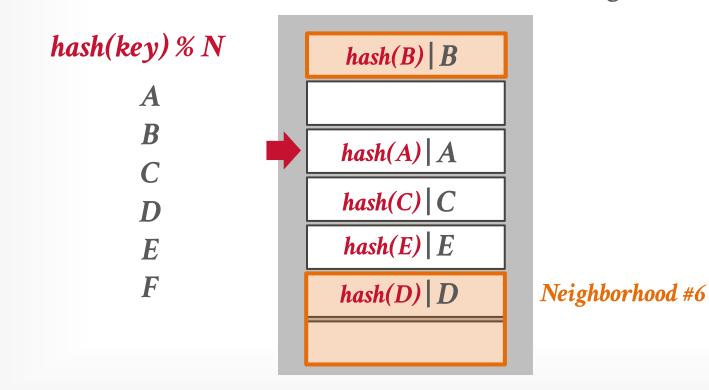


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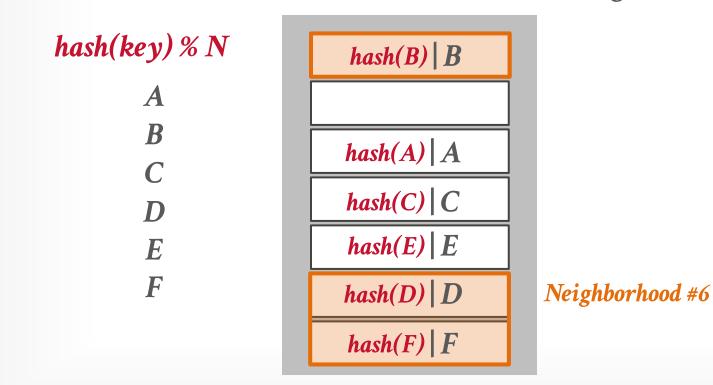
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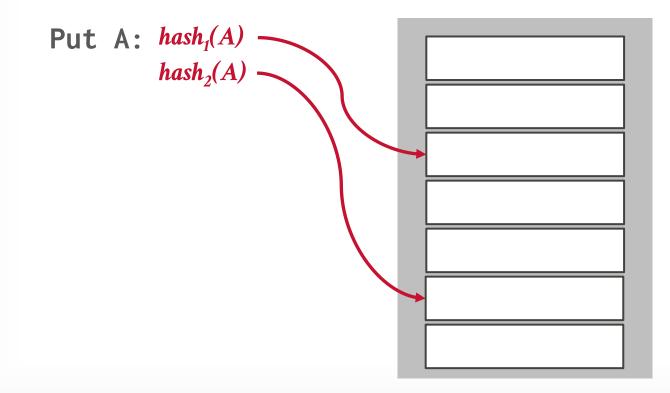
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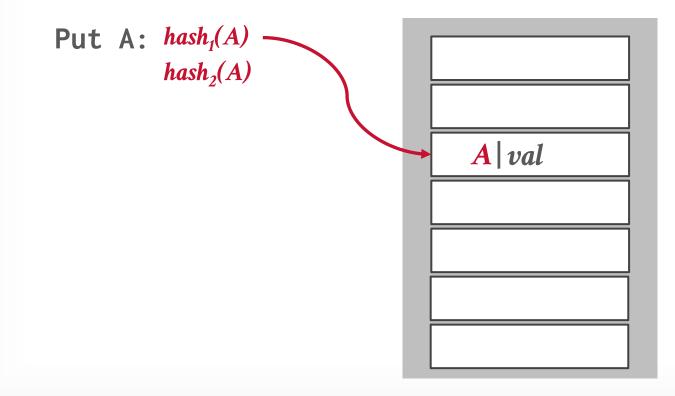
Use multiple tables with different hash functions.

- \rightarrow On insert, check every table and pick anyone that has a free slot.
- \rightarrow If no table has a free slot, evict the element from one of them and then re-hash it find a new location.

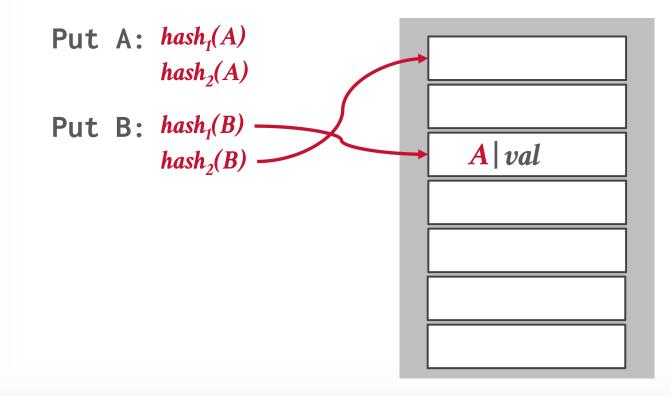
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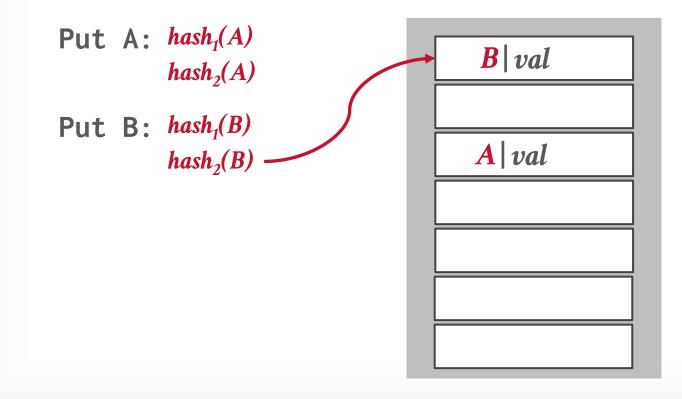




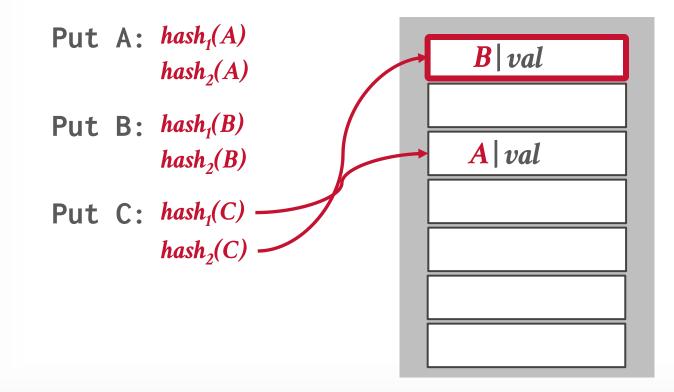




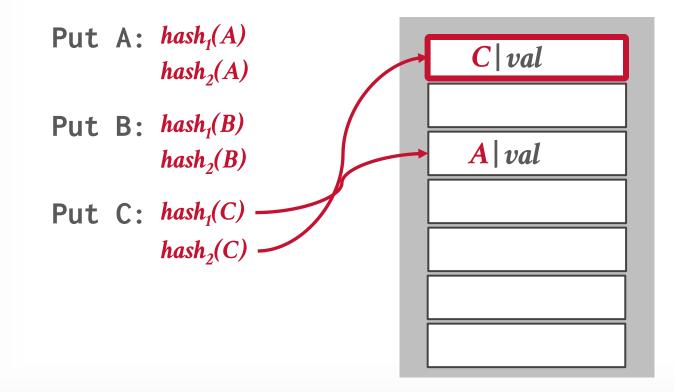




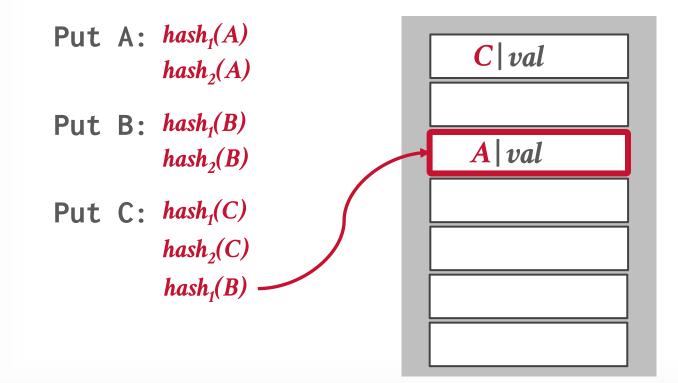




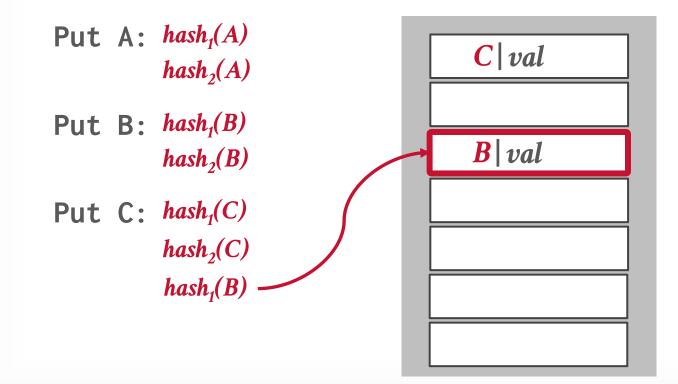




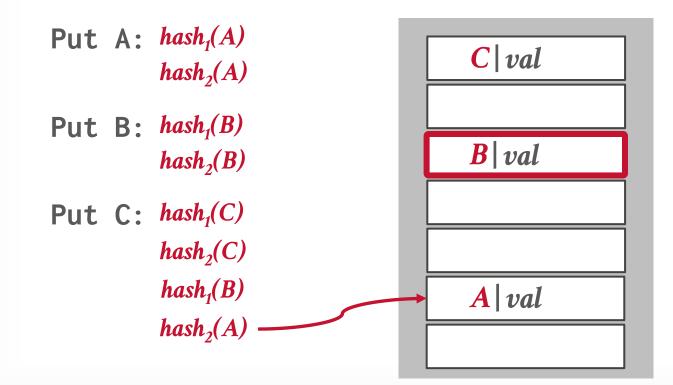














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HASH TABLE CONTENTS

Tuple Data vs. Pointers/Offsets to Data

- \rightarrow Whether to store the tuple directly inside of the hash table.
- \rightarrow Storing tuples inside of the table not possible in openaddressing if there is variable length data.

Join Keys-only vs. Join Keys + Hashes

- \rightarrow Whether to only store the original join key(s) in the hash table or also include the computed hashed key.
- \rightarrow Classic compute vs. storage trade-off.

PROBE PHASE

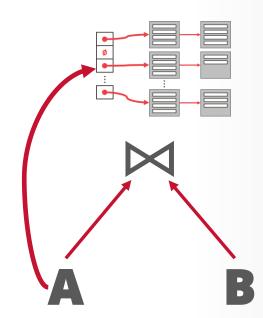
For each tuple in S, hash its join key and check to see whether there is a match for each tuple in corresponding bucket in the hash table constructed for R.

- \rightarrow If inputs were partitioned, then assign each thread a unique partition.
- \rightarrow Otherwise, synchronize their access to the cursor on **S**.

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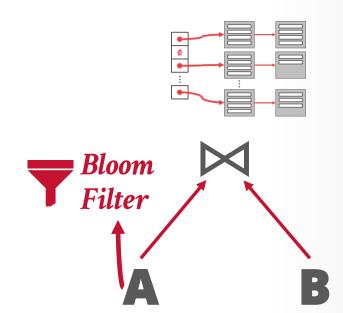




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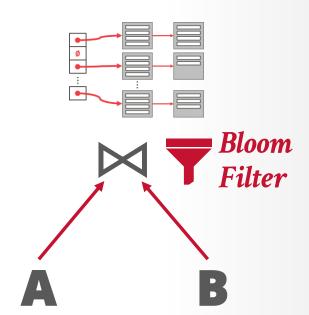


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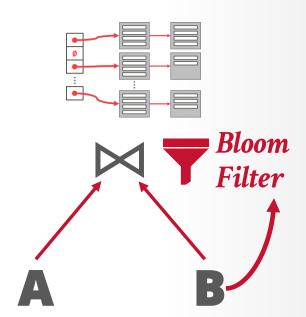






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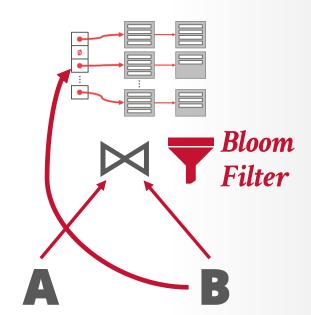
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BENCHMARKS

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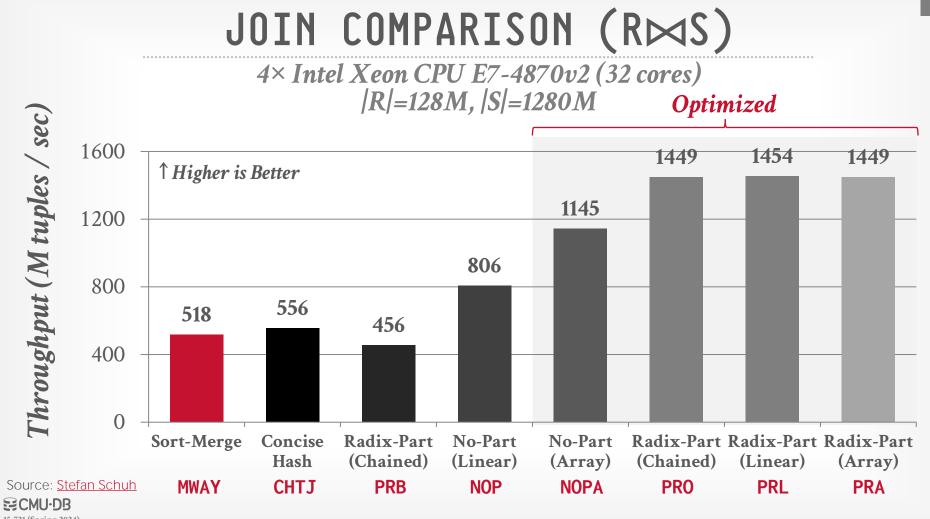
Core approaches:

- \rightarrow No Partitioning Hash Join
- \rightarrow Concise Hash Table Join
- \rightarrow 2-pass Radix Hash Join (Chained vs. Linear)

Special Case: Arrays for monotonic primary keys.

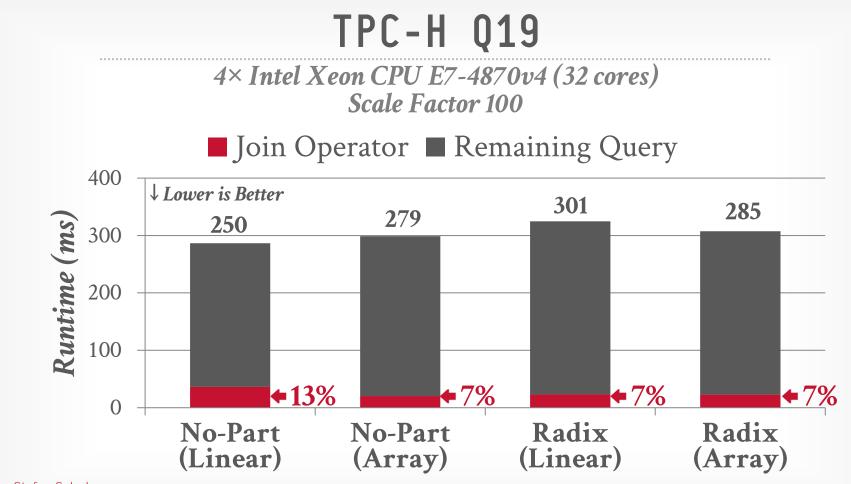
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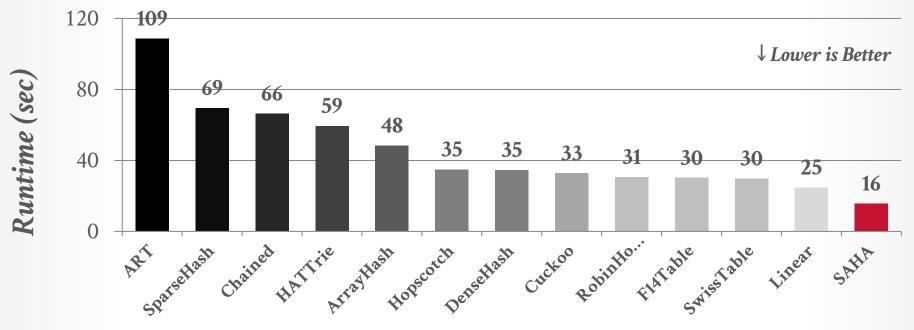


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STRING HASH TABLES

2× Intel Xeon CPU E5-2460v4 (10 cores) Join + Group By Microbenchmark



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PARTING THOUGHTS

Partitioned-based joins outperform no-partitioning algorithms in most settings, but it is non-trivial to tune it correctly.

AFAIK, most DBMSs picks one hash join implementation and does not try to be adaptive.

NEXT CLASS

Worst-Case Optimal Joins (aka multi-way joins) Profiling with CPU Performance Counters