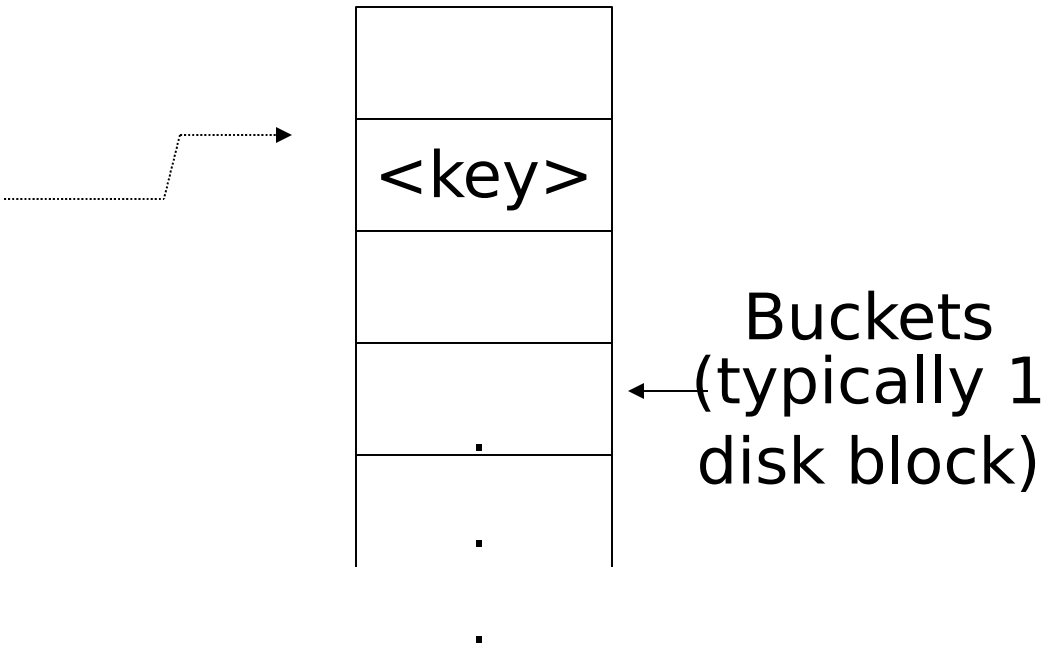
Outline/summary

- Conventional Indexes
  - Sparse vs. dense
  - Primary vs. secondary
- B trees
  - B+trees vs. indexed sequential
- Hashing schemes --> Next

Hashing

key $\rightarrow$ h(key)



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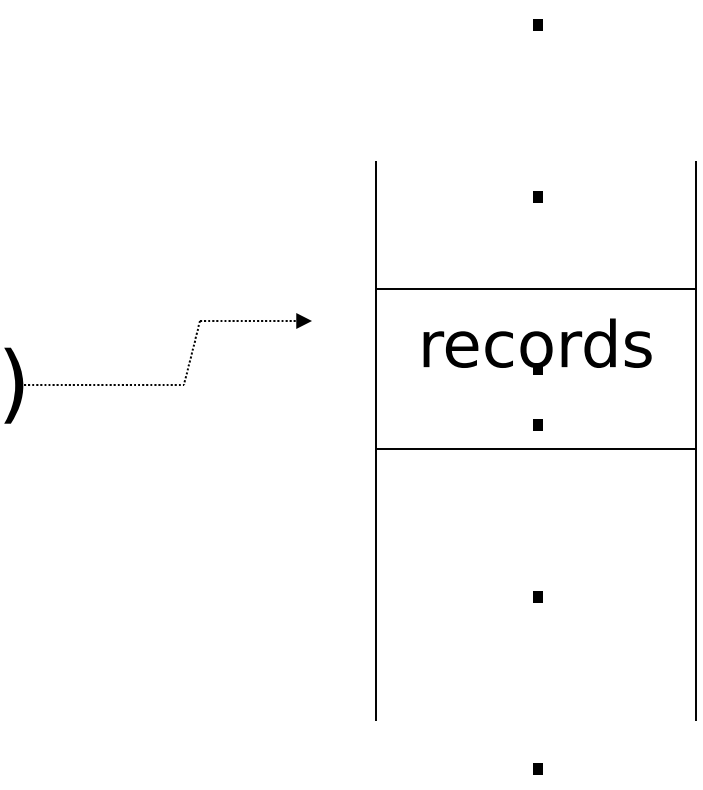

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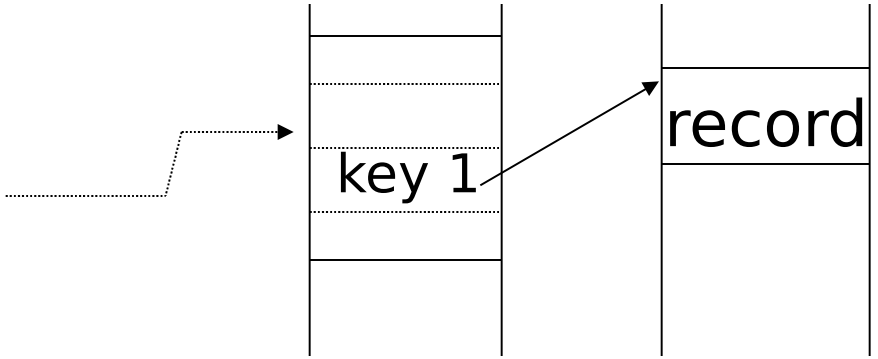


- Alt (2) for “secondary” search key

Example hash function

- Key = ‘x_1 x_2 … x_n’ *n* byte character string
- Have *b* buckets
- h: add $x_1 + x_2 + \ldots\ldots x_n$
  - compute sum modulo *b*

- This may not be best function ...
- Read Knuth Vol. 3 if you really need to select a good function.

Good hash function:

- Expected number of keys/bucket is the same for all buckets

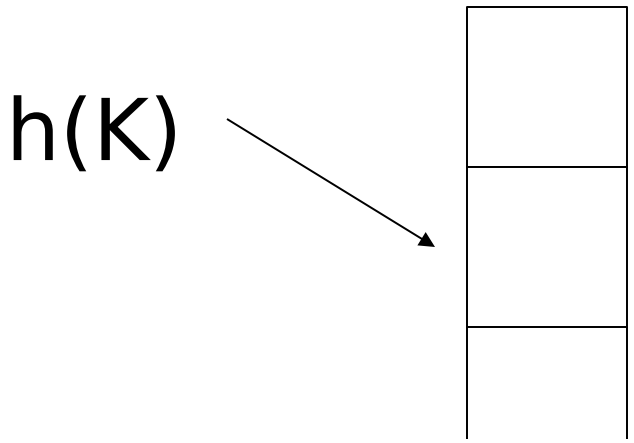
Within a bucket:

- Do we keep keys sorted?

- Yes, if CPU time critical

  & Inserts/Deletes not too frequent

Next: example to illustrate
inserts, overflows, deletes



EXAMPLE 2 records/bucket

INSERT:

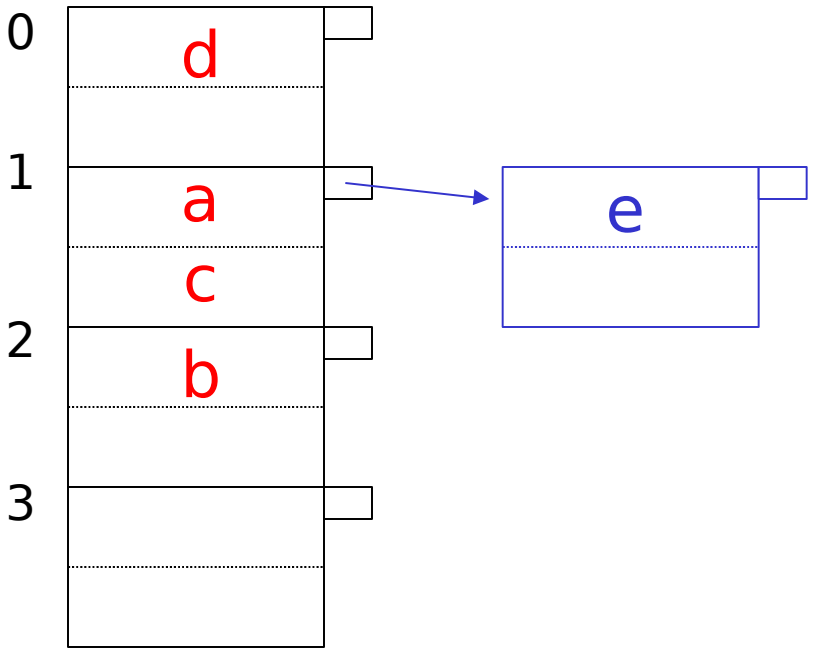
h(a) = 1

h(b) = 2

h(c) = 1

h(d) = 0

h(e) = 1



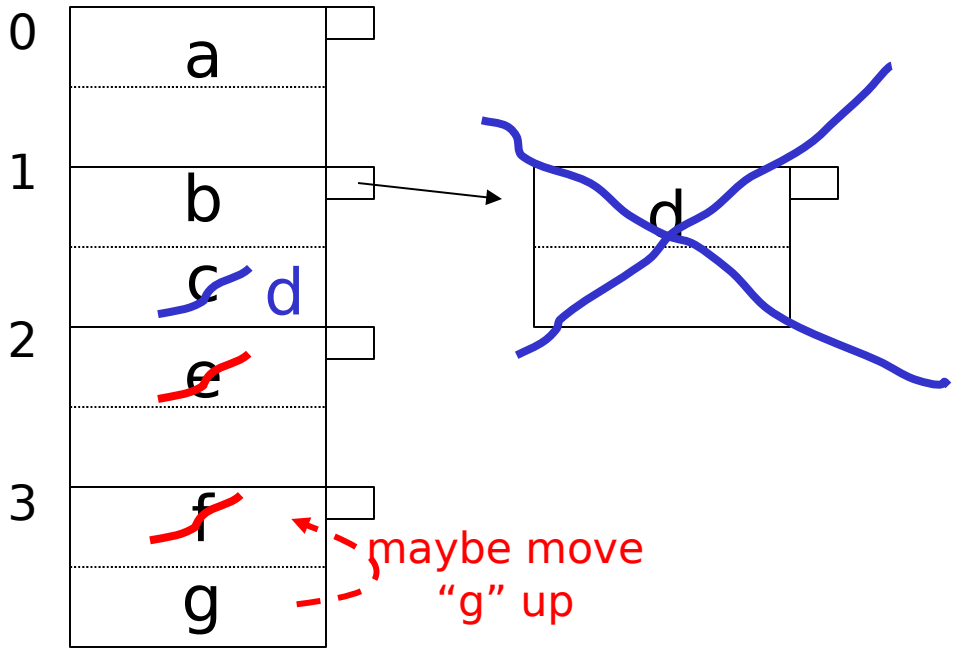
EXAMPLE: deletion

Delete:

e

f

c



Rule of thumb:

- Try to keep space utilization between 50% and 80%

$$\text{Utilization} = \frac{\text{\# keys used}}{\text{total \# keys that fit}}$$

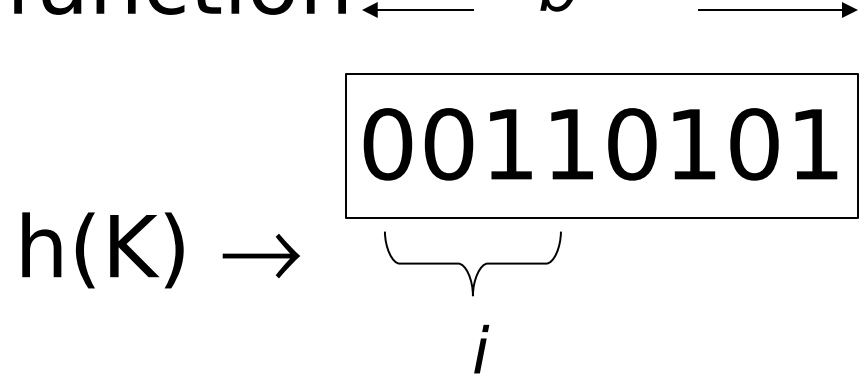
- If < 50%, wasting space
- If > 80%, overflows significant
  - depends on how good hash function is & on # keys/bucket

How do we cope with growth?

- Overflows and reorganizations
- Dynamic hashing
  - Extensible
  - Linear

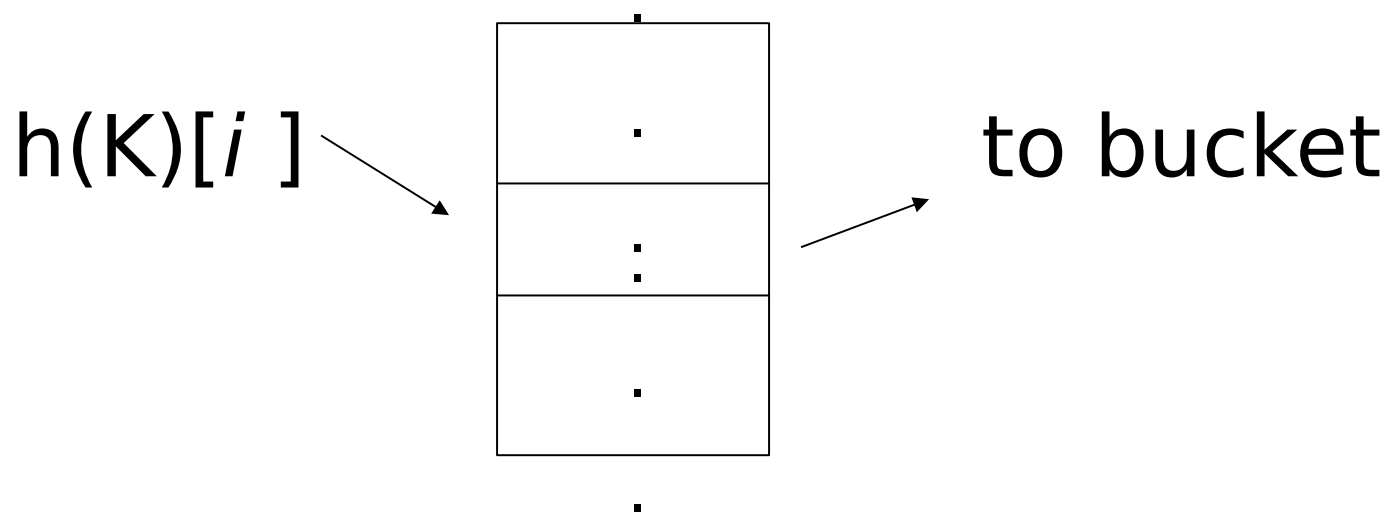
Extensible hashing: two ideas

(a) Use *i* of *b* bits output by hash function

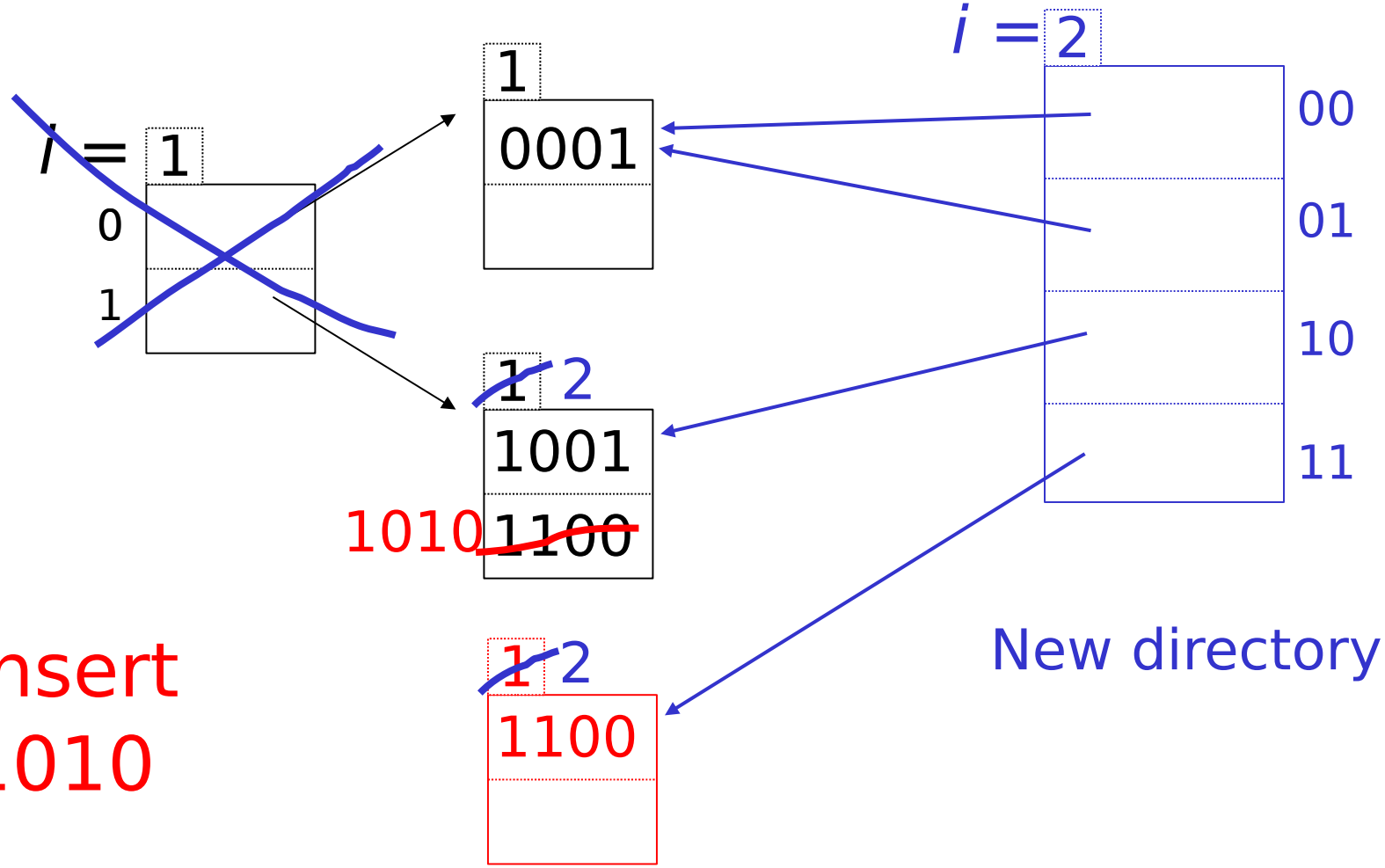


use *i* → grows over time....

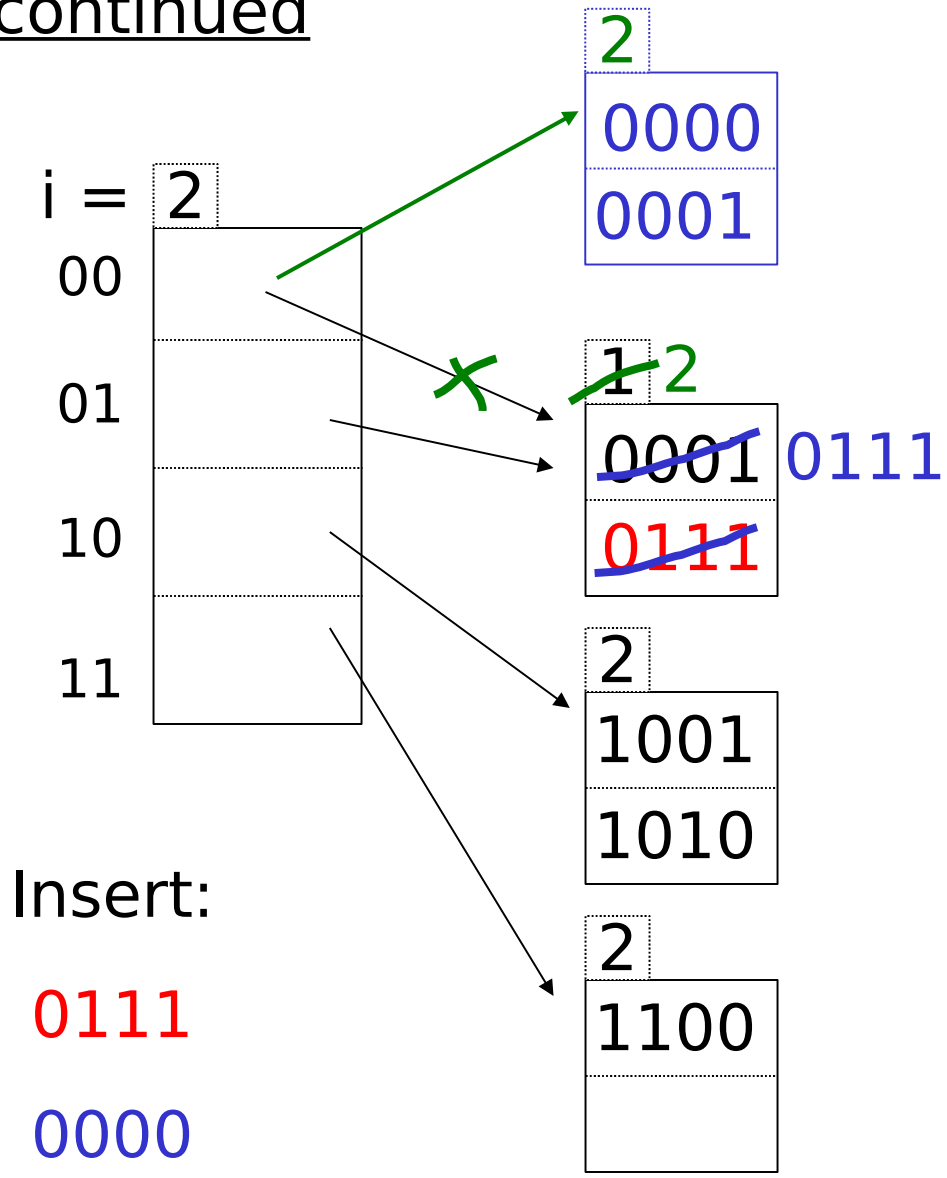
(b) Use directory



Example: h(k) is 4 bits; 2 keys/bucket



Example continued

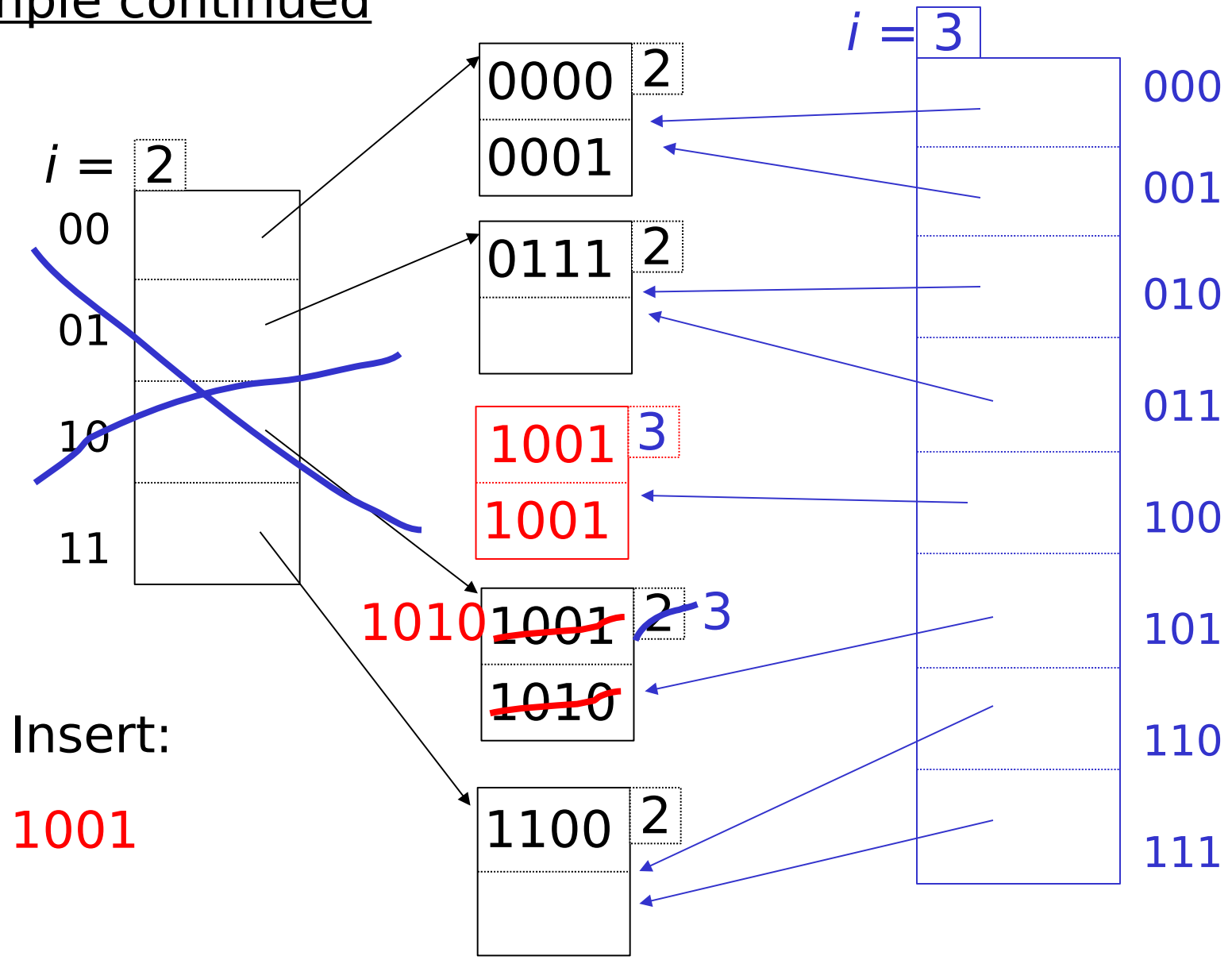


Insert:

0111

0000

Example continued



Extensible hashing: deletion

- No merging of blocks
- Merge blocks
  and cut directory if possible
  (Reverse insert procedure)

Deletion example:

- Run thru insert example in reverse!

Summary Extensible hashing

⊕ Can handle growing files

- with less wasted space
- with no full reorganizations

⊖ Indirection

(Not bad if directory in memory)

⊖ Directory doubles in size

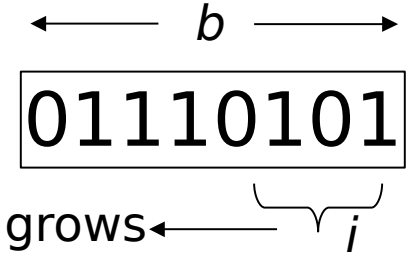
(Now it fits, now it does not)

Linear hashing

- Another dynamic hashing scheme

Two ideas:

(a) Use *i* low order bits of hash

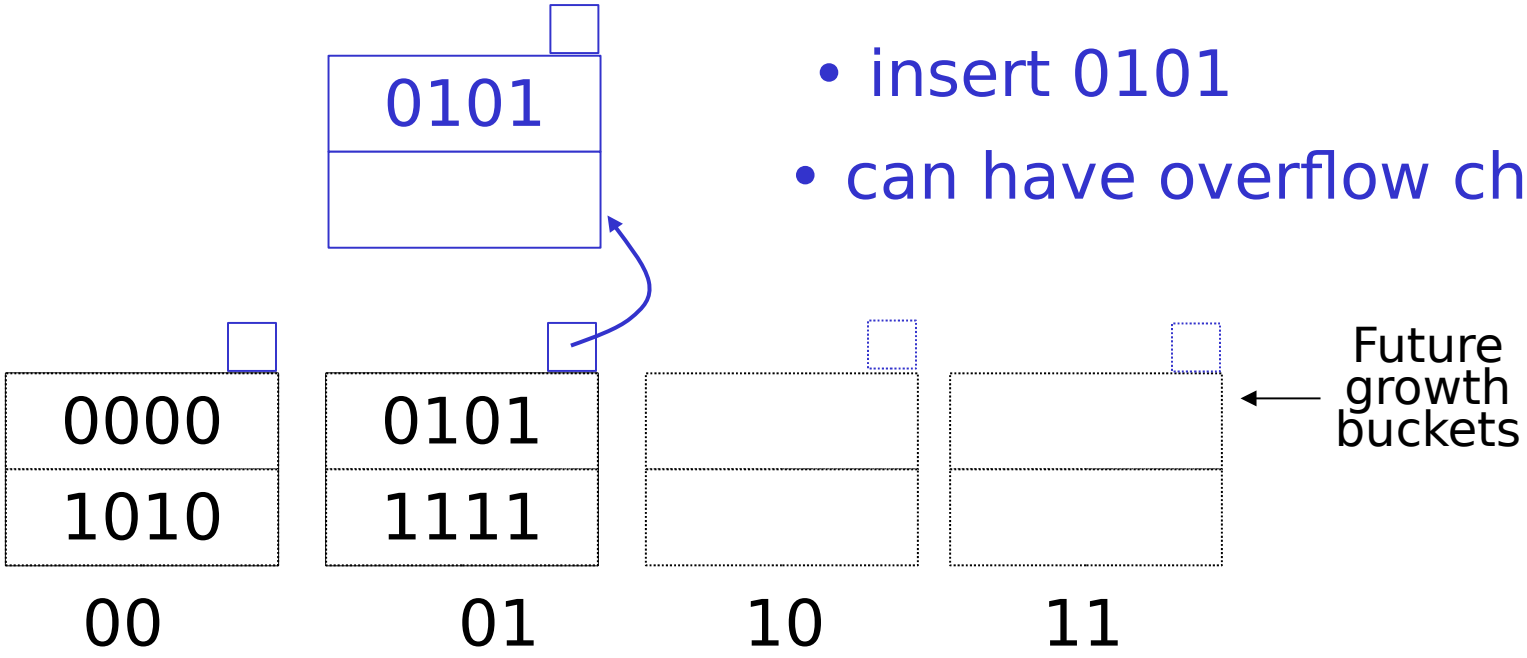


(b) Number of buckets in use grows linearly

Constraint: $2^{i-1} \leq n+1 < 2^{i}$

(We take n to be the id of the largest bucket in use, starting at 0.)

Example b=4 bits, i =2, 2 keys/bucket



- insert 0101
- can have overflow chains!

n = 01 (number of last bucket in use)

Rule

If h(k)[i] $\leq n$, then

look at bucket h(k)[i]

else, look at bucket h(k)[i] - 2^{i-1}

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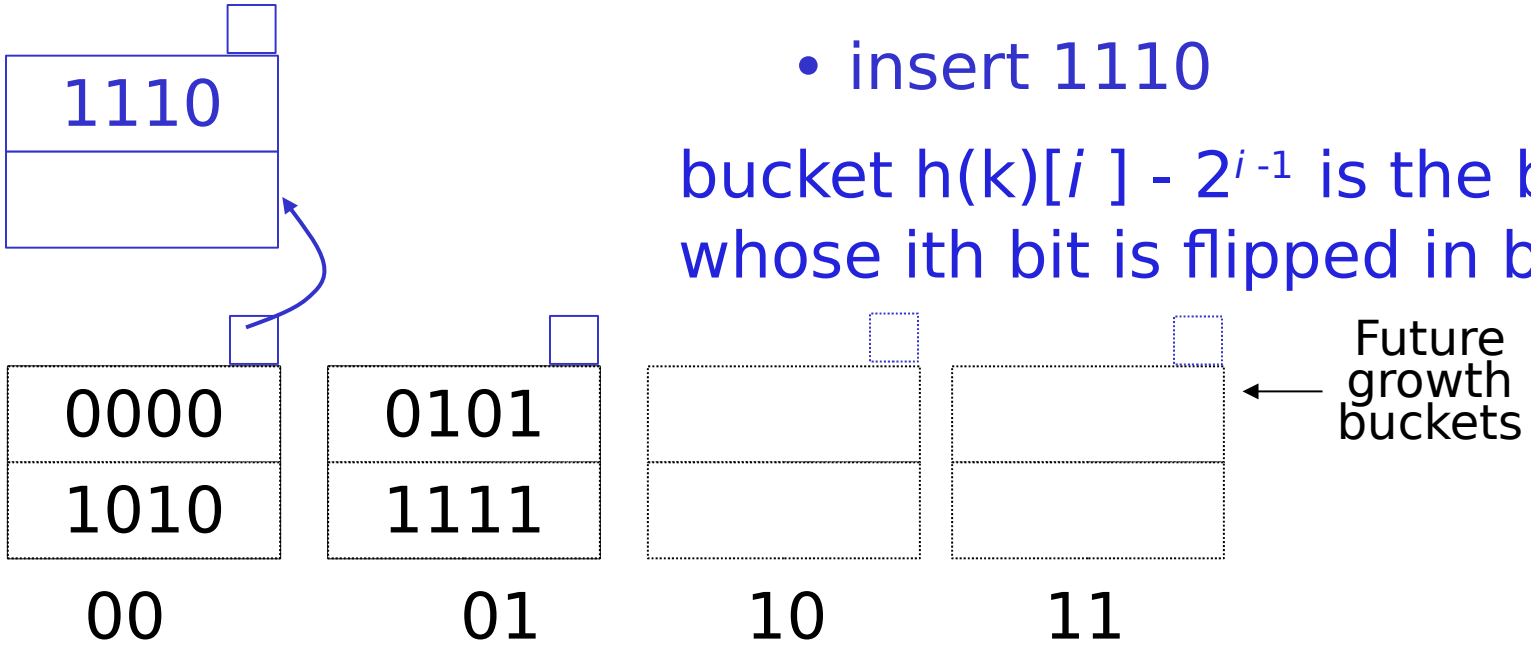

- insert 1110

bucket h(k)[i] - 2^{i-1} is the bucket whose ith bit is flipped in binary

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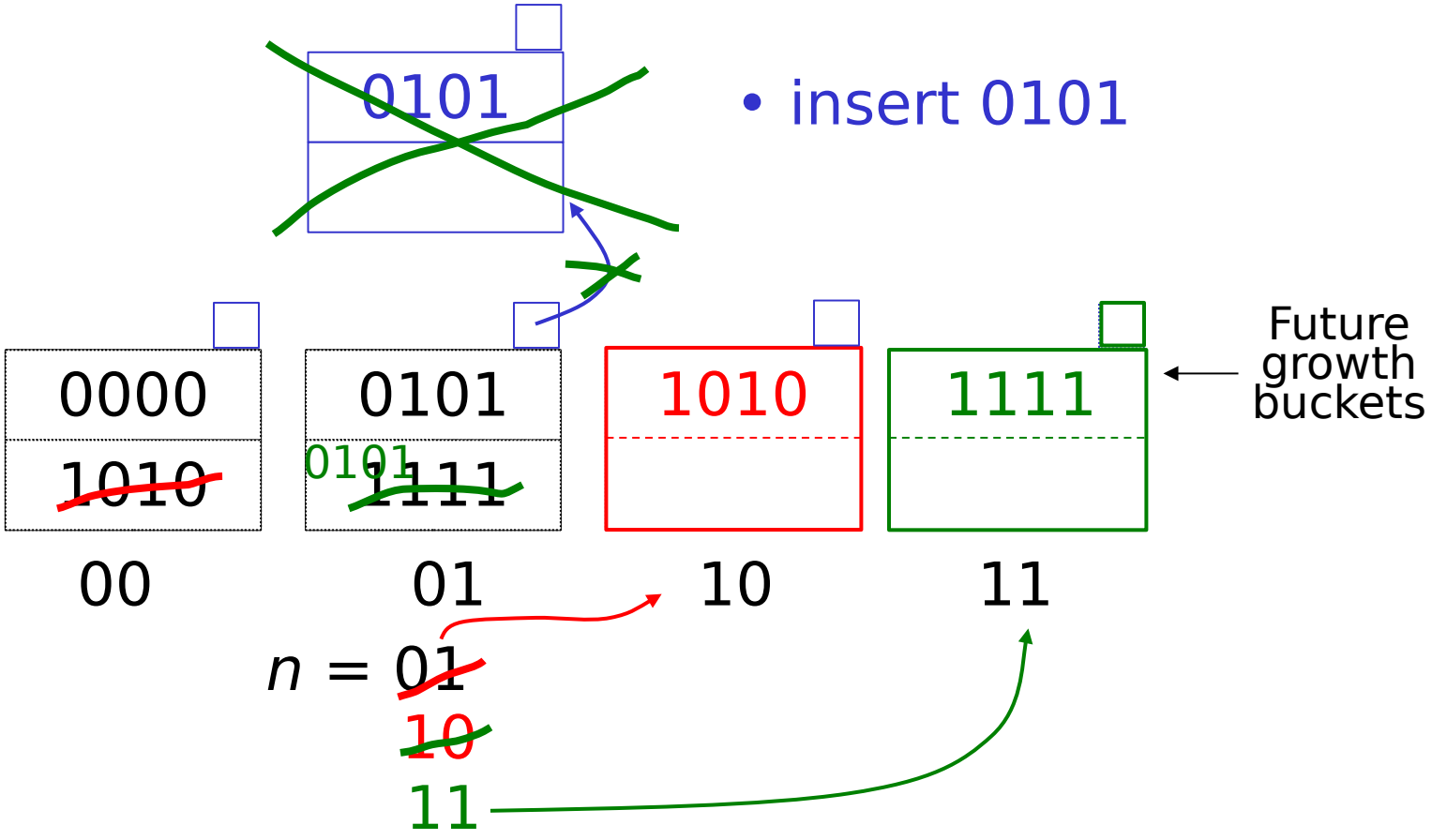

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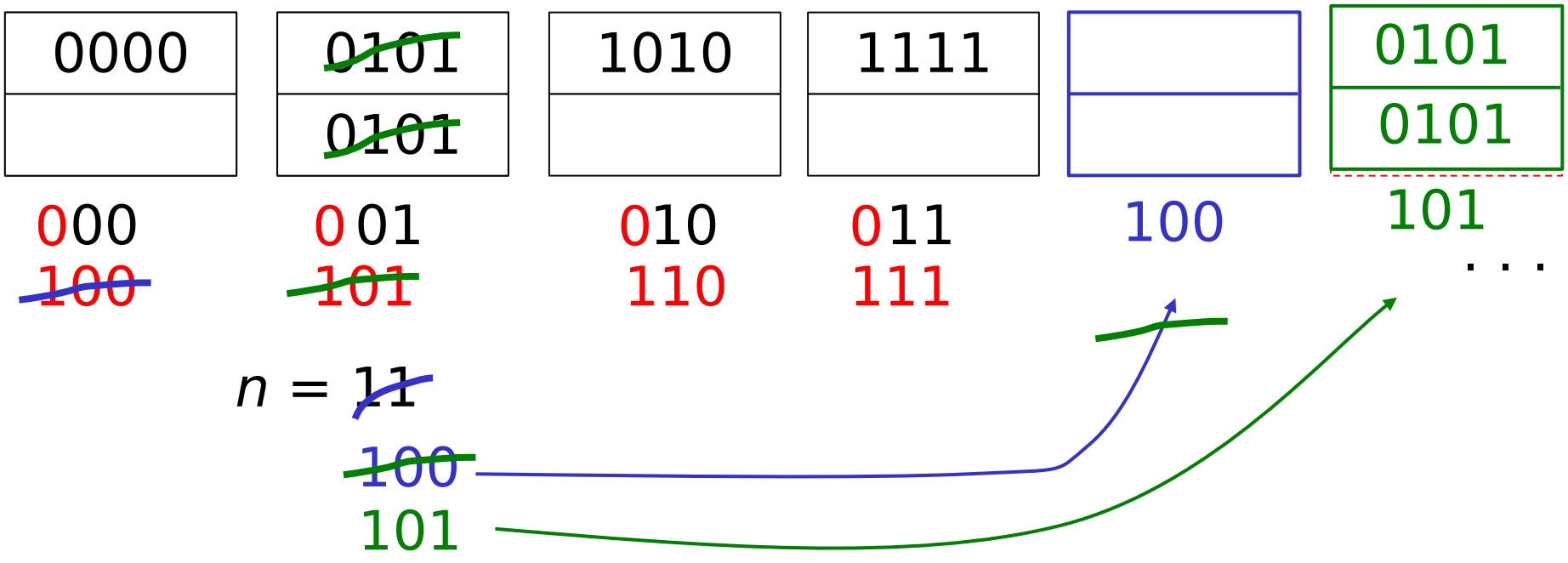
Example Continued:

How to grow beyond this?

$i = 2$ ~~2~~ 3

Constraint: $2^{i-1} \leq n+1 < 2^i$



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☛ When do we expand file?

- Keep track of: $\frac{\text{\# records}}{\text{\# buckets}}$ = U

- If U > threshold then increase *n*

  (and maybe *i*)

Summary Linear Hashing

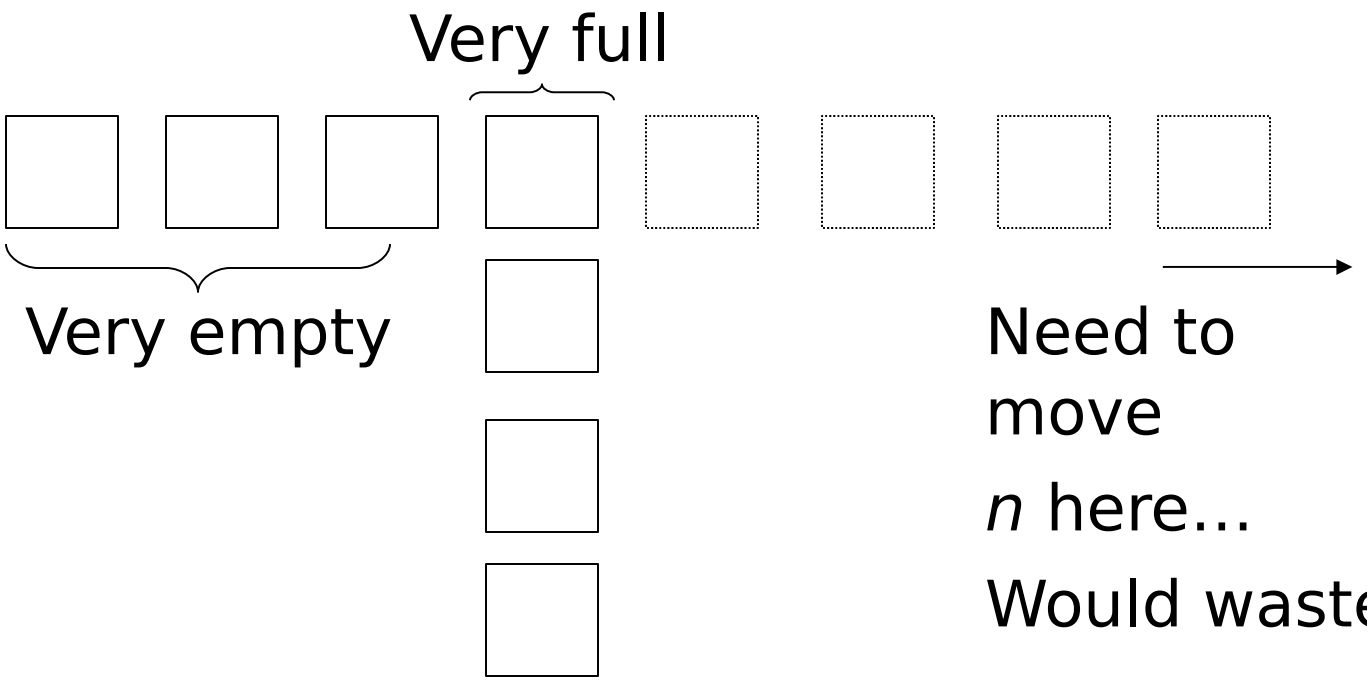
⊕ Can handle growing files

- with less wasted space
- with no full reorganizations

⊕ No indirection like extensible hashing

⊖ Can still have overflow chains

Example: BAD CASE



Summary

Hashing

- How it works
- Dynamic hashing
    - Extensible
    - Linear

B+trees vs Hashing

- Hashing good for probes given key

  e.g., SELECT ...
  FROM R
  WHERE R.A = 5

B+Trees vs Hashing

- INDEXING (Including B Trees) good for

  Range Searches:

  e.g., SELECT

  FROM R

  WHERE R.A > 5