

DS5010

Intro to programming for Data Science

LECTURE 6

TODAY

- review session 5
- PART I
 - more on classes and objects
 - inheritance
- PART II: basic data structures
 - Stack
 - Queue
 - LinkedList
 - HashTable

REVIEW

- what are objects
- classes
- object oriented programming

PART I

IMPLEMENTING THE CLASS

vs USING THE CLASS

- write code from two different perspectives

implementing a new object type with a class

- **define** the class
- define **data attributes**
(WHAT IS the object)
- define **methods**
(HOW TO use the object)

using the new object type in code

- create **instances** of the object type
- do **operations** with them

CLASS DEFINITION OF AN OBJECT TYPE vs INSTANCE OF A CLASS

- class name is the **type**

`class Coordinate:`

- class is defined generically
 - use `self` to refer to some instance while defining the class
`(self.x-self.y)**2`
 - `self` is a parameter to methods in class definition
- class defines data and methods **common across all instances**

- instance is **one specific** object

`coord= Coordinate(1,2)`

- data attribute values vary between instances
`c1 = Coordinate(1,2)`
`c2 = Coordinate(3,4)`
 - `c1` and `c2` have different data attribute values `c1.x` and `c2.x` because they are different objects
- instance has the **structure of the class**

GETTER AND SETTER METHODS

```
class Animal:
    def __init__(self, age):
        self.age = age
        self.name = None

    def get_age(self):
        return self.age
    def get_name(self):
        return self.name

    def set_age(self, newage):
        self.age = newage
    def set_name(self, newname=""):
        self.name = newname

    def __str__(self):
        return "animal:" + str(self.name) + ":" + str(self.age)
```

getter

setter

getters and setters should be used outside of class to access data attributes

AN INSTANCE and DOT NOTATION (RECAP)

- instantiation creates an **instance of an object**

```
a = Animal(3)
```

- **dot notation** used to access attributes (data and methods)
though it is better to use getters and setters
to access data attributes

```
a.age
```

```
a.get_age()
```

-access method
-best to use getters
and setters

-access data attribute
-allowed, but not recommended

INFORMATION HIDING

- author of class definition may **change data attribute** variable names

*replaced age data
attribute by years*

```
class Animal:  
    def __init__(self, age):  
        self.years = age  
    def get_age(self):  
        return self.years
```

- if you are **accessing data attributes** outside the class and class **definition changes**, may get errors
- outside of class, use getters and setters instead use `a.get_age()` NOT `a.age`
 - good style
 - easy to maintain code
 - prevents bugs

PYTHON NOT GREAT AT INFORMATION HIDING

- allows you to **access data** from outside class definition

```
print(a.age)
```

- allows you to **write to data** from outside class definition

```
a.age = 'infinite'
```

- allows you to **create data attributes** for an instance from outside class definition

```
a.size = "tiny"
```

- it's **not good style** to do any of these!

DEFAULT ARGUMENTS

- **default arguments** for formal parameters are used if no actual argument is given

```
def set_name(self, newname=""):  
    self.name = newname
```

- default argument used here

```
a = Animal(3)  
a.set_name()
```

```
print(a.get_name())
```

prints ""

- argument passed in is used here

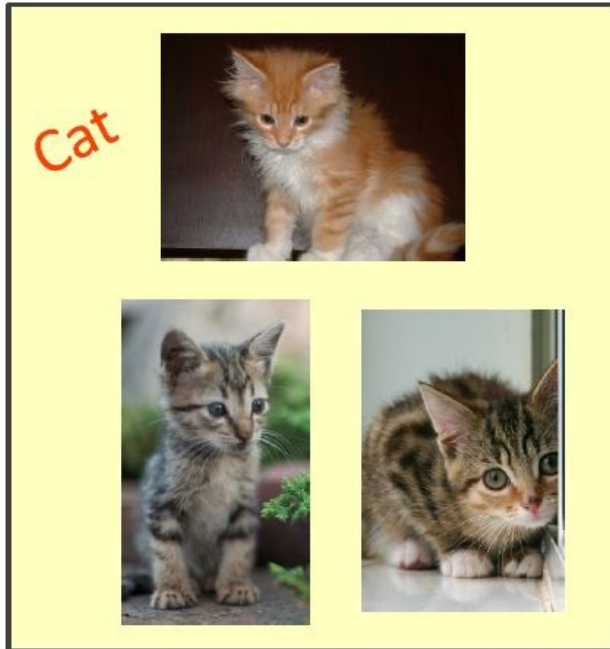
```
a = Animal(3)  
a.set_name("fluffy")
```

```
print(a.get_name())
```

prints "fluffy"



Animal

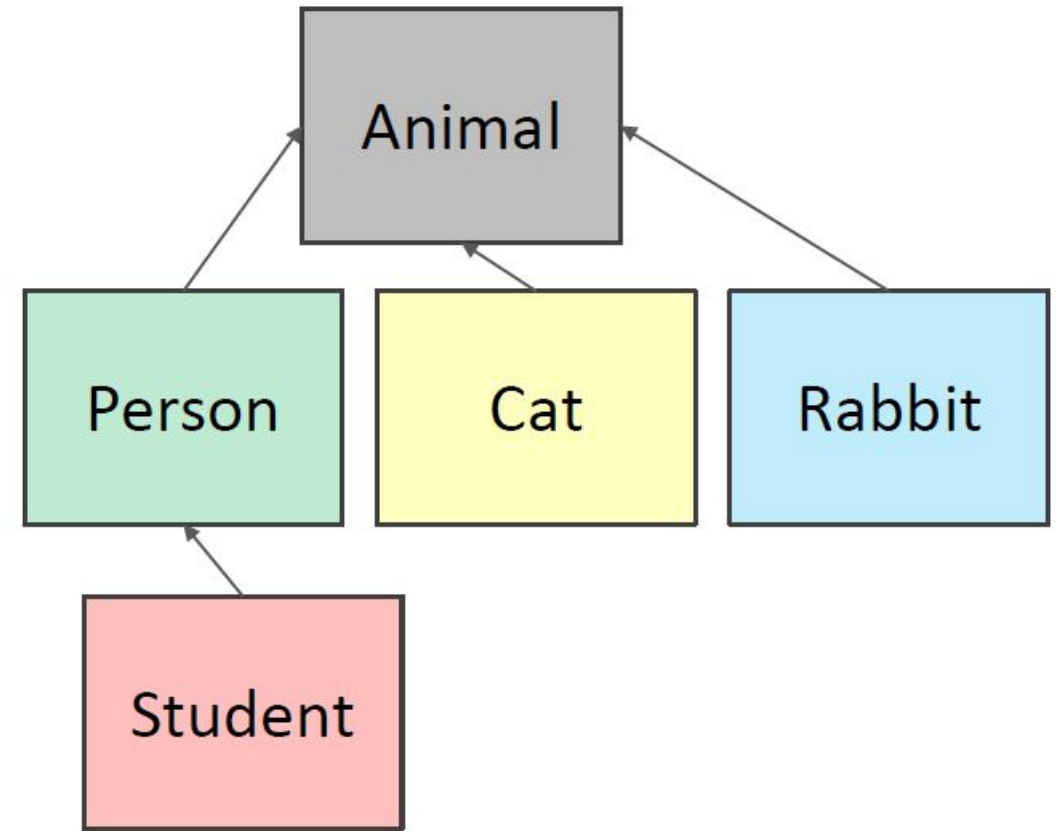


HIERARCHIES

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HIERARCHIES

- **parent class**(superclass)
- **child class**(subclass)
 - **inherits** all data and behaviors of parent class
 - **add** more **info**
 - **add** more **behavior**
 - **override** behavior



INHERITANCE: PARENT CLASS

```
class Animal(object):  
    def __init__(self, age):  
        self.age = age  
        self.name = None  
    def get_age(self):  
        return self.age  
    def get_name(self):  
        return self.name  
    def set_age(self, newage):  
        self.age = newage  
    def set_name(self, newname=""):  
        self.name = newname  
    def __str__(self):  
        return "animal:" + str(self.name) + ":" + str(self.age)
```

- everything is an object
- class object implements
basic operations in Python,
like binding variables, etc
- you can avoid declaring
object as parent class in
Python 3+

INHERITANCE: SUBCLASS

```
class Cat(Animal):
```

```
    def speak(self):  
        print("meow")
```

```
    def __str__(self):
```

```
        return "cat:" + str(self.name) + ":" + str(self.age)
```

- add new functionality with `speak()`
 - instance of type `Cat` can be called with new methods
 - instance of type `Animal` throws error if called with `Cat`'s new method
- `__init__` is not missing, uses the `Animal` version

inherits all attributes of `Animal`:

```
__init__()  
age, name  
get_age(), get_name()  
set_age(), set_name()  
__str__()
```

add new
functionality via
speak method

overrides `__str__`

WHICH METHOD TO USE?

- subclass can have **methods with same name** as superclass
- for an instance of a class, look for a method name in **current class definition**
- if not found, look for method name **up the hierarchy** (in parent, then grandparent, and so on)
- use first method up the hierarchy that you found with that method name


```
class Person(Animal):
```

parent class is Animal

```
def __init__(self, name, age):
```

```
    Animal.__init__(self, age)
```

call Animal's constructor

```
    self.set_name(name)
```

call Animal's method

```
    self.friends = []
```

add new data attribute

```
def get_friends(self):
```

```
    return self.friends
```

```
def add_friend(self, fname):
```

```
    if fname not in self.friends:
```

```
        self.friends.append(fname)
```

```
def speak(self):
```

```
    print("hello")
```

```
def age_diff(self, other):
```

```
    diff = self.age - other.age
```

```
    print(abs(diff), "year difference")
```

new methods

```
def __str__(self):
```

```
    return "person:" + str(self.name) + ":" + str(self.age)
```

override Animal's
__str__ method

```
import random
```

bring in methods
from `random` module

```
class Student(Person):
```

inherits `Person` and
`Animal` attributes

```
    def __init__(self, name, age, major=None):  
        Person.__init__(self, name, age)
```

```
        self.major = major
```

adds new data

```
    def change_major(self, major):  
        self.major = major
```

```
    def speak(self):
```

```
        r = random.random()
```

returns random
float in $[0, 1)$

```
        if r < 0.25:
```

```
            print("i have homework")
```

```
        elif 0.25 <= r < 0.5:
```

```
            print("i need sleep")
```

```
        elif 0.5 <= r < 0.75:
```

```
            print("i should eat")
```

```
        else:
```

```
            print("i am watching tv")
```

```
    def __str__(self):
```

```
        return "student:" + str(self.name) + ":" + str(self.age) + ":" + str(self.major)
```

OBJECT ORIENTED PROGRAMMING

- create your own **collections of data**
- **organize** information
- **division** of work
- access information in a **consistent** manner
- add **layers** of complexity
- like functions, classes are a mechanism for **decomposition** and **abstraction** in programming

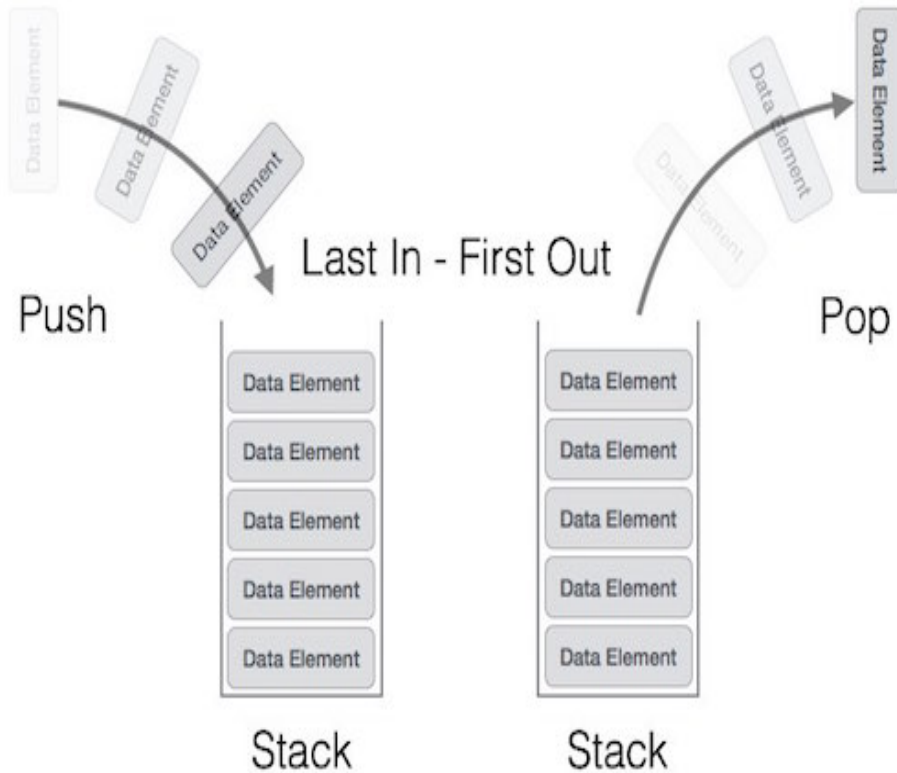
PART II

STACK

- a **collection** of items where the **last** added item is the **first** item that can be retrieved/removed

*You can't pick a bottom element
before removing the top elements*





STACK

- a **linear** sequence of data like list, and tuple
- support two main operations
 - **push**: which adds an element to the collection
 - **pop**: which removes the most recently added element that was not yet removed
- unlike lists,
 - items can be added only at one end
 - you only have access to top item
 - you can only remove the top item
- The order in which elements come off a stack gives rise to its alternative name, **LIFO (last in, first out)**.

STACK IMPLEMENTATION

- class name: `Stack`
- data attributes:
 - `container`: we use a list to store stack elements
 - `capacity`: an integer representing the max number of elements that a stack instance can have
- methods:
 - `__len__`: returns the size of stack
 - `is_full`: returns `True` iff the number of elements in stack equals to capacity
 - `is_empty`: returns `True` iff the stack is empty
 - `push`: adds a new element at the top of the stack
 - `pop`: removes the top element from stack
 - `top`: returns the top element without removing it
 - `__str__`: the string representation of a stack
- let's write the code for this. The file containing this code will be pushed to course repository for your reference.

BUILT-IN STACK IN PYTHON?

- `list` in python has stack interface which enables you to treat a list as a stack!

*initializing an
empty stack*

```
s = []
```

```
s.append(1)  
s.append(2)
```

*equivalent to
push*

```
print(s[-1])
```

*equivalent to
top*

```
s.pop()
```

*like stack
pop*



STACK IN ACTION

- you are given a string like 'abcd', by using a stack try to get the reverse of the given string.

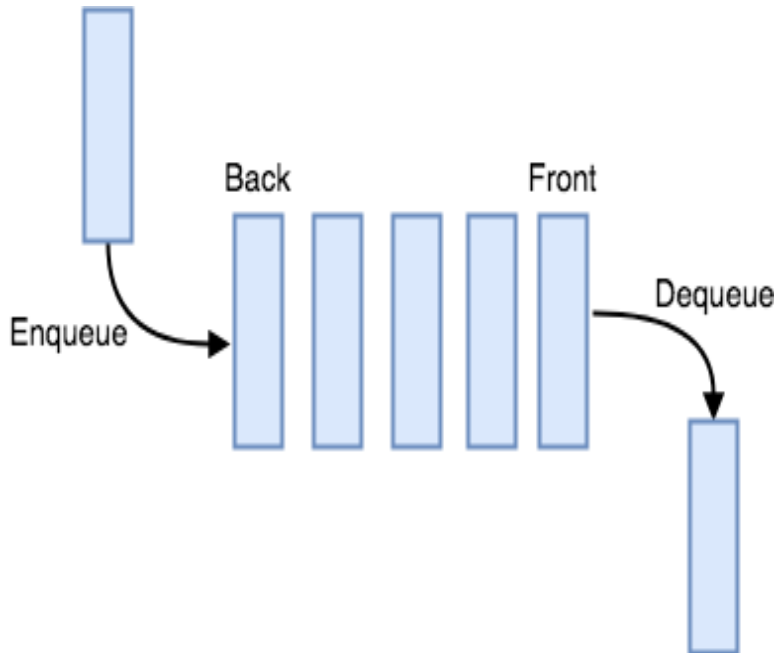
STACK and RECURSION

- A stack is a **recursive** data structure. Here is a structural definition of a Stack:
 - a stack is either **empty** or
 - it consists of ***a top and the rest which is a stack***
- recursion is closely tied to stack
 - the recursive function calls are stored in a stack
 - they will return on the LIFO principle
- you can devise iterative solutions for recursive problems using an explicit stack!



QUEUE

- a **collection** of items where the **first** added item is the **first** item that can be retrieved/removed



QUEUE

- a linear sequence of data like list, and tuple, stack
- support two main operations
 - **enqueue**: which adds an element to the collection
 - **dequeue**: which removes the first added element that was not yet removed
- unlike lists,
 - items can be added only at one end
 - you only have access to the front item (also back item if you have a double ended queue)
 - you can only remove the item at one end
- The order in which elements come off a queue gives rise to its alternative name, **FIFO (first in, first out)**.

QUEUE IMPLEMENTATION

- class name: Queue
- data attributes:
 - `container`: we use a list to store stack elements
- methods:
 - `__len__`: returns the size of queue
 - `is_empty`: returns `True` iff the queue is empty
 - `enqueue`: adds a new element at the back of the queue
 - `dequeue`: removes and returns the element at the front of the queue
 - `front`: returns the element at the front without removing
 - `__str__`: the string representation of the queue
- let's write the code for this. The file containing this code will be pushed to course repository for your reference.

we assume
unbounded
capacity

BUILT-IN QUEUE IN PYTHON?

- queue module in python has a number of queue implementations.

```
from queue import Queue
```

initializing an
empty queue

```
q = Queue()
```

importing Queue
class from queue
module

```
q.put('a')  
q.put('b')
```

equivalent to
enqueue

equivalent to
is_empty

```
print(q.empty())
```

```
print(q.get())
```

equivalent to
dequeue

Queue does not
have an equivalent
method to front()

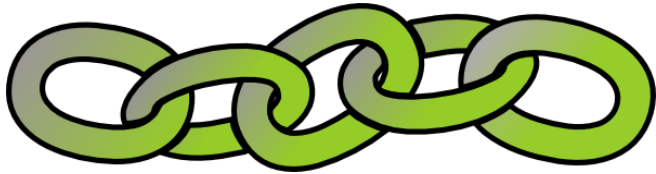
QUEUE APPLICATIONS

- used when things don't have to be processed immediately, but have to be processed in First In First Out order like **Breadth First Search**.

*we will learn
this later*

- When a resource is shared among multiple consumers. Examples include CPU scheduling, Disk Scheduling.
- When data is transferred asynchronously (data not necessarily received at same rate as sent) between two processes. Examples include IO Buffers, pipes, file IO, etc.

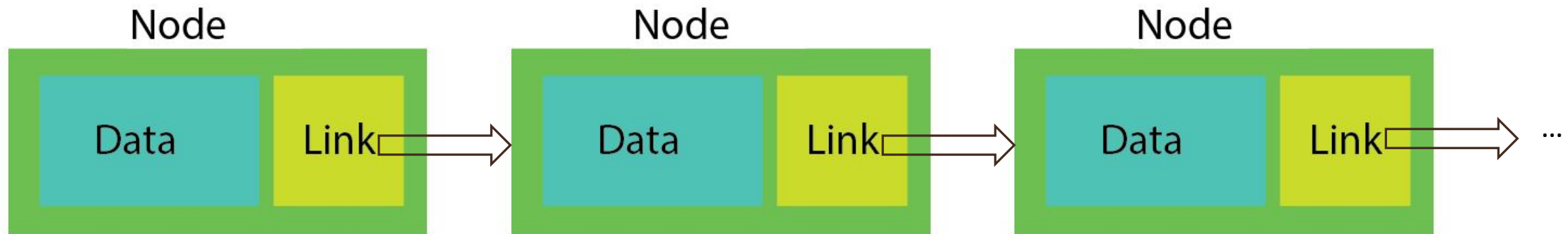
LINKED LIST



- a linear collection of data elements, whose order is not given by their physical placement in memory. Instead, each element **points** to the next. It is a data structure consisting of a collection of **nodes** which together represent a sequence.
- we have multiple variations of Linked Lists, like **singly linked lists** and doubly linked lists. We only introduce singly linked list here.

LINKED LIST is a CHAIN of NODES

- each node contains: **data**, and a **reference** (in other words, a link) to the next node in the sequence



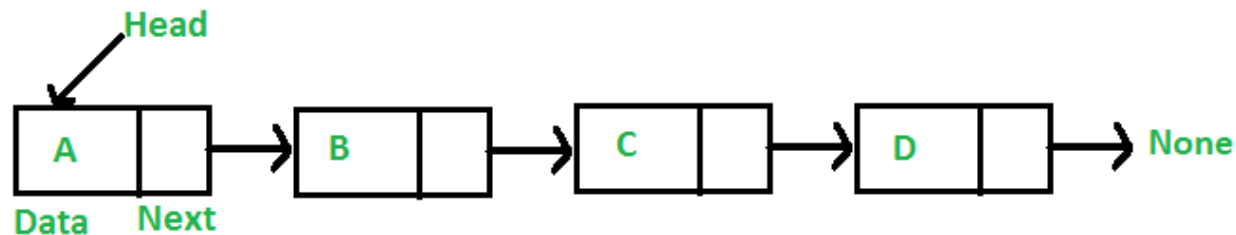
NODE CLASS

```
class Node:
```

```
    def __init__(self, data):  
        self.data = data  
        self.next = None    # next Node after self in a LinkedList that self is
```

LINKED LIST

- a linear sequence of data like list, and tuple, stack, queue
- like lists
 - items can be added anywhere in the sequence
 - you can access any element in the sequence
 - you can remove any elements
- unlike lists
 - no constant access to elements (you need to start from head and follow links to reach your desired element)
 - removals and insertions takes places in constant time (in list, you may need to shift elements)
- Linked lists are dynamic, so the length of list can increase or decrease as necessary. Each node does not necessarily follow the previous one physically in the memory.

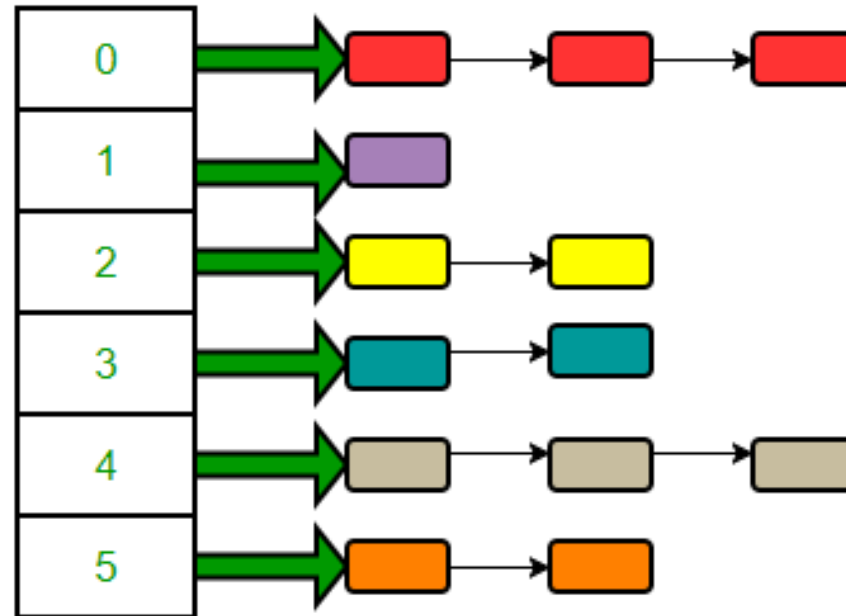
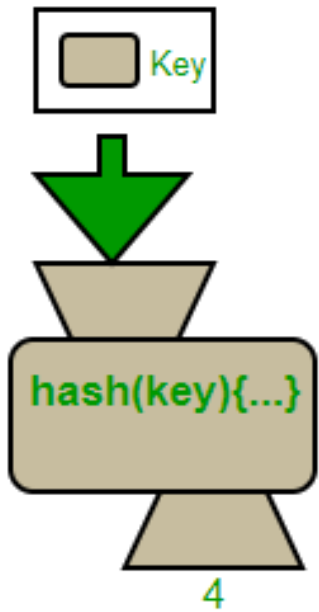


LINKED LIST IMPLEMENTATION

- class name: `LinkedList`
- data attributes:
 - `head`: the starting node in the linked list
 - `size`: the number of nodes in the linked list
- methods:
 - `__len__`: returns the size of linked list
 - `is_empty`: returns `True` iff the linked list is empty
 - `append`: insert a given node at the end of linked list
 - `find`: return a node which has the given data
 - `remove`: removes a given node in the linked list
 - `__str__`: the string representation of the linked list
- let's write the code for this. The file containing this code will be pushed to course repository for your reference.

BUILT-IN LINKED LIST in PYTHON

- As of Python 3.7, doesn't provide a dedicated linked list data type. There's nothing like Java's `LinkedList` built into Python or into the Python standard library.
- Python does however include the `collections.deque` class which provides a double-ended queue and is implemented as a doubly-linked list internally. Under some specific circumstances you might be able to use it as a “makeshift” linked list. If that's not an option you'll need to write your own linked list implementation from scratch.

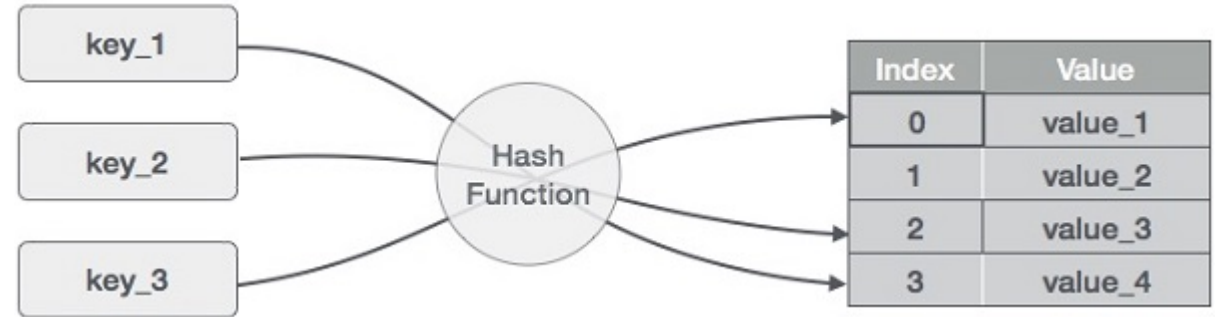


HASH TABLE

- a structure that can **map keys to values**. A hash table uses a **hash function** to compute an index, also called a hash code, into an array of buckets or slots, from which the desired value can be found.

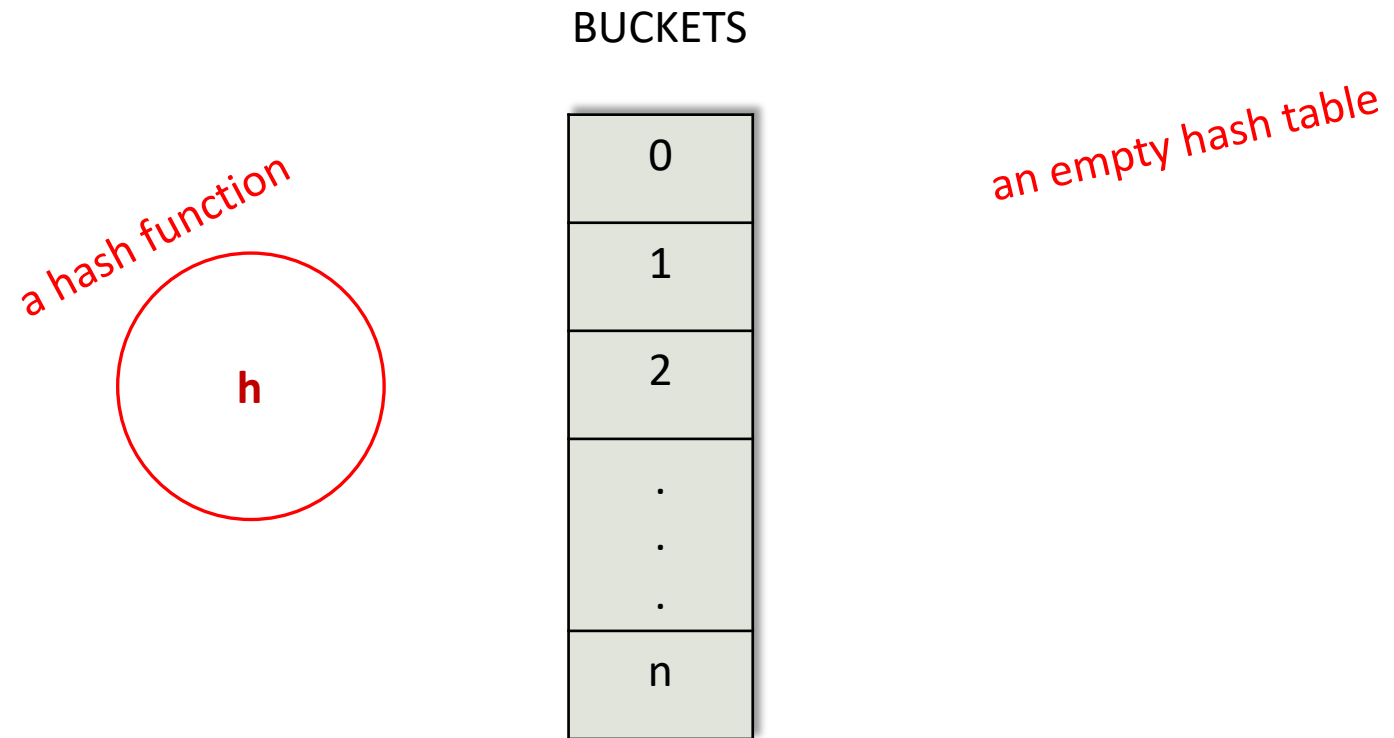
HASH TABLE

- a collection of **key-value** pairs of data
- support two main operations
 - **put**: adds a given key-value pair to the collection
 - **get**: returns the value associated with a given key
- unlike other sequences we've seen so far
 - items are not stored as a linear sequence
- adding/retrieving a pair to/from a Hash Table is expected to happen in **constant time**
- the elements that come off a Hash Table do not necessarily follow any specific order



*will talk more
about this later*

INTERNAL STRUCTURE

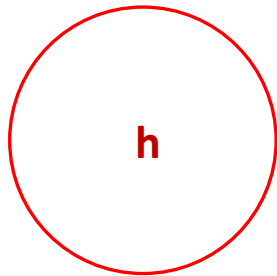


INTERNAL STRUCTURE

a key-value comes in

key1

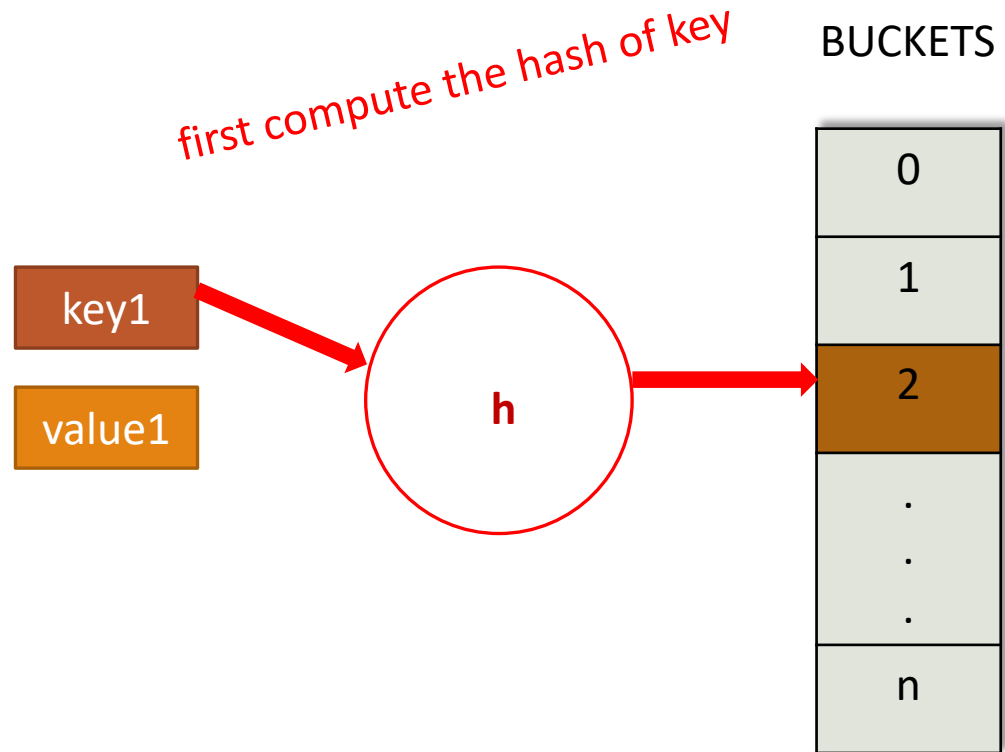
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BUCKETS

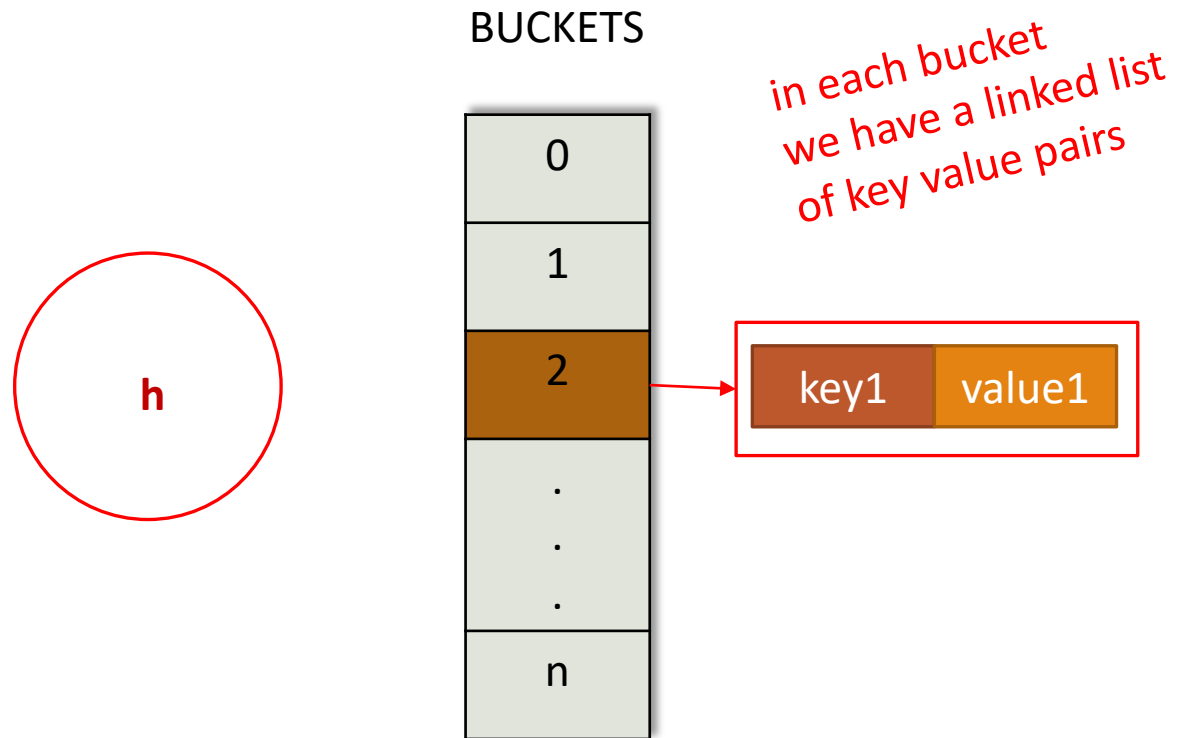
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INTERNAL STRUCTURE

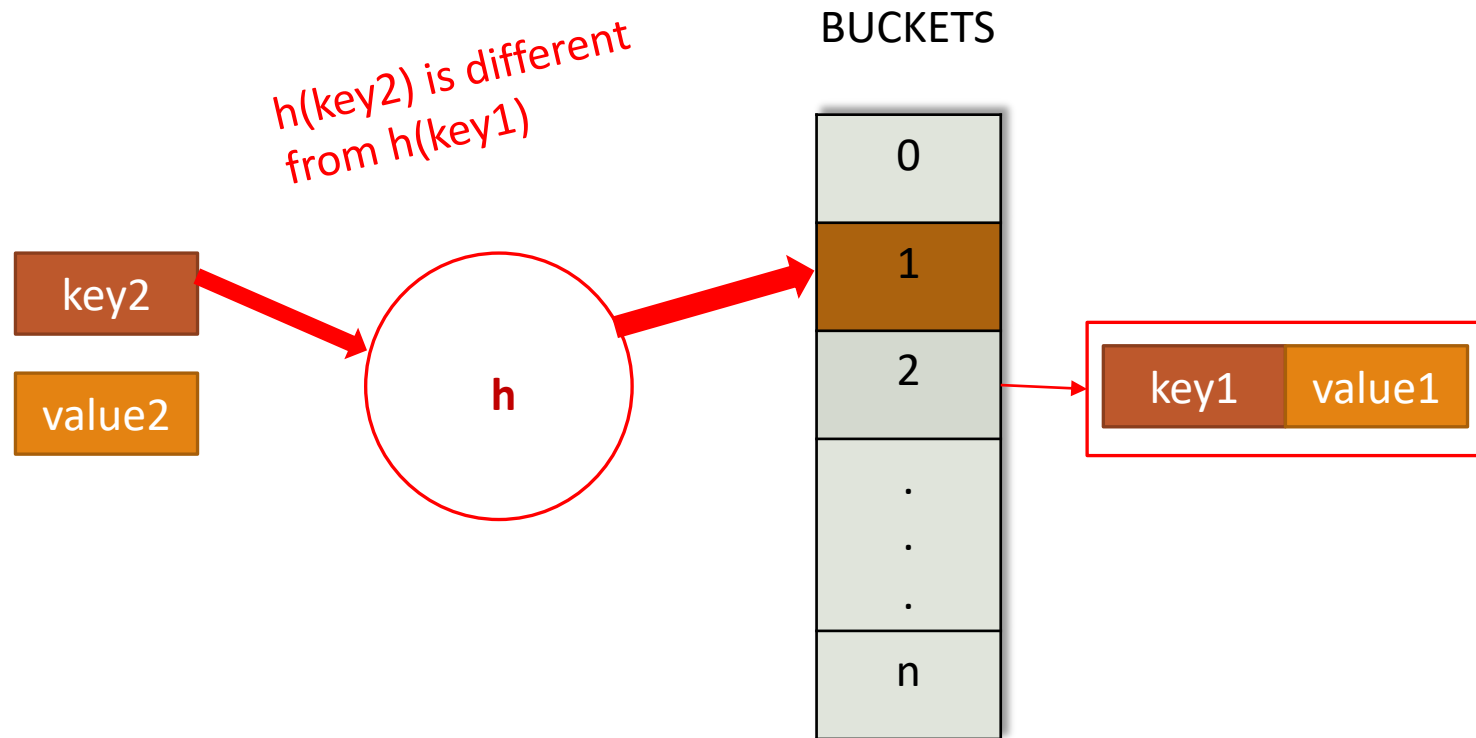


- **hash function** accepts keys as input, and outputs an **integer** which represents a bucket **index**
- the key-value pair like (k, v) will be put into a bucket, with $\text{index} = h(k)$

INTERNAL STRUCTURE

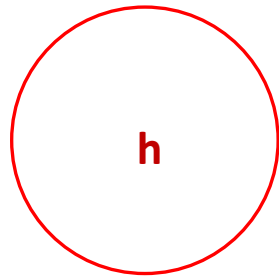


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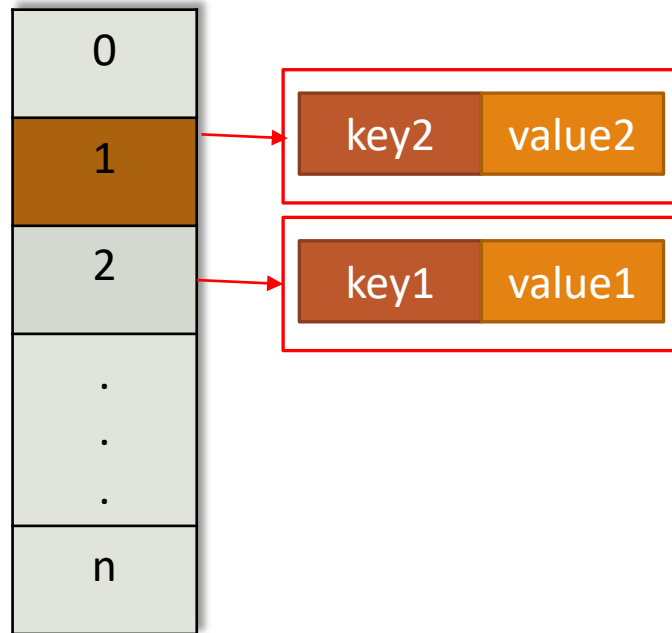


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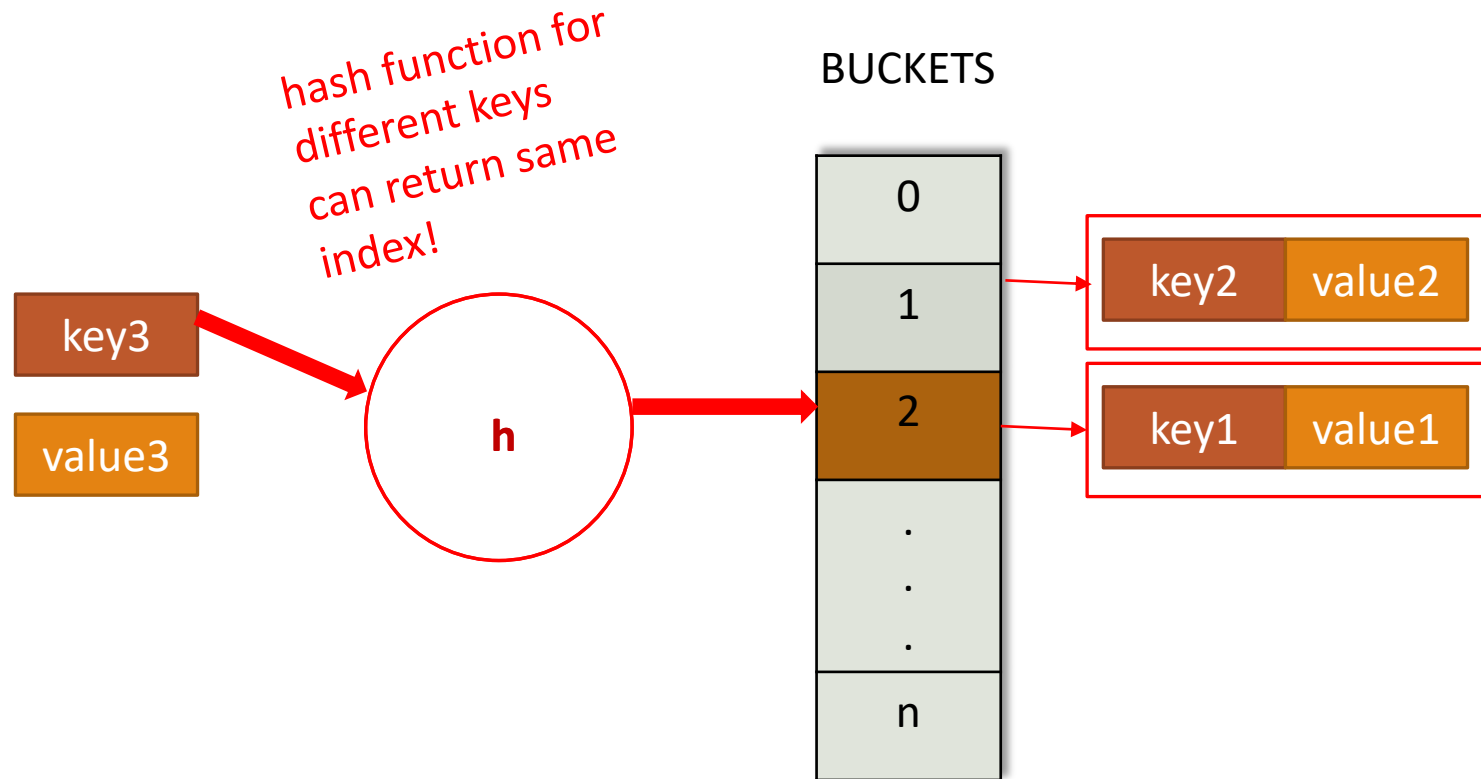
*so it will be stored
in a different bucket*



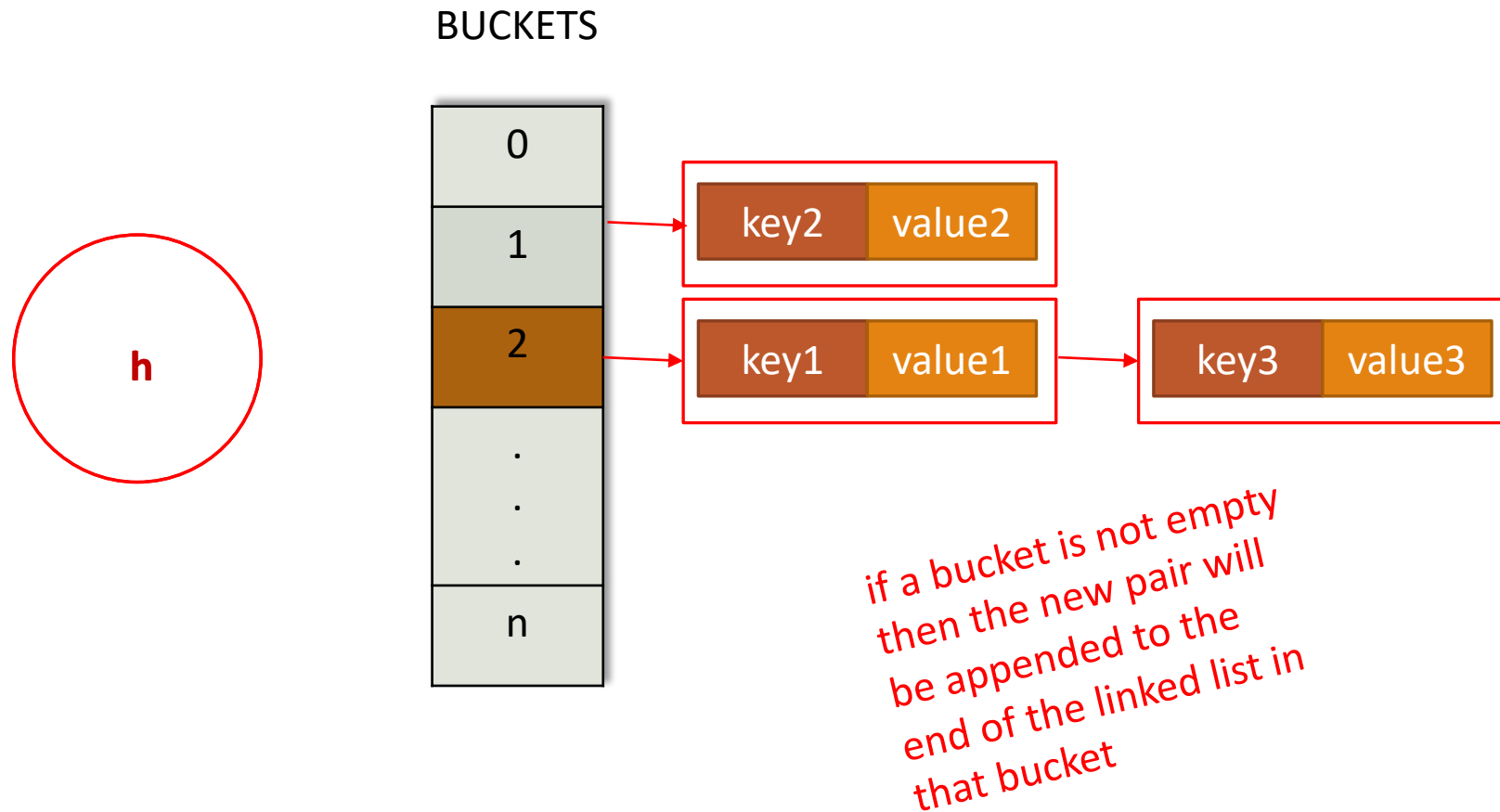
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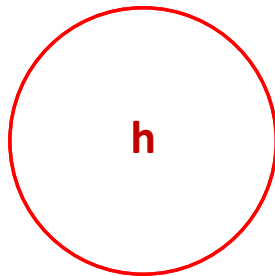


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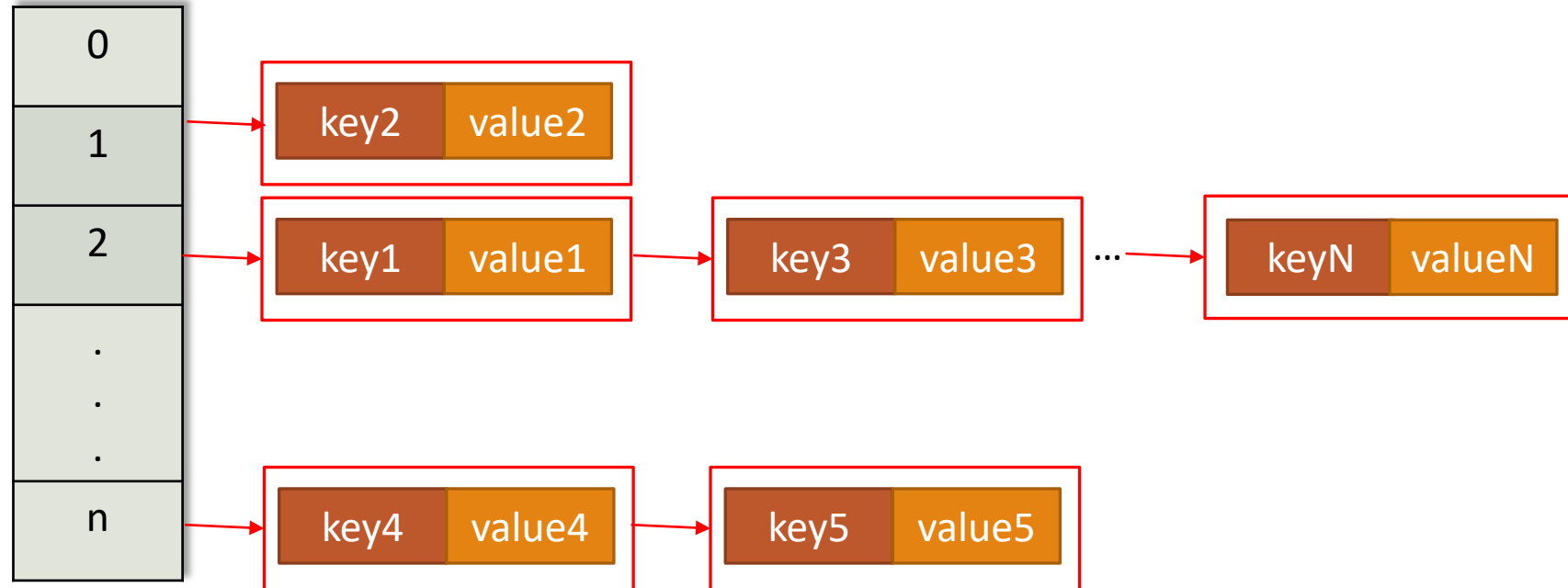


INTERNAL STRUCTURE

finally, some buckets may remain empty
and some others contain linked lists of
key-value pairs



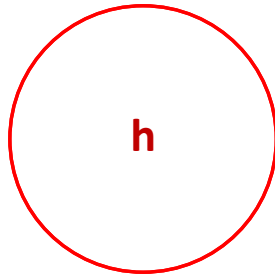
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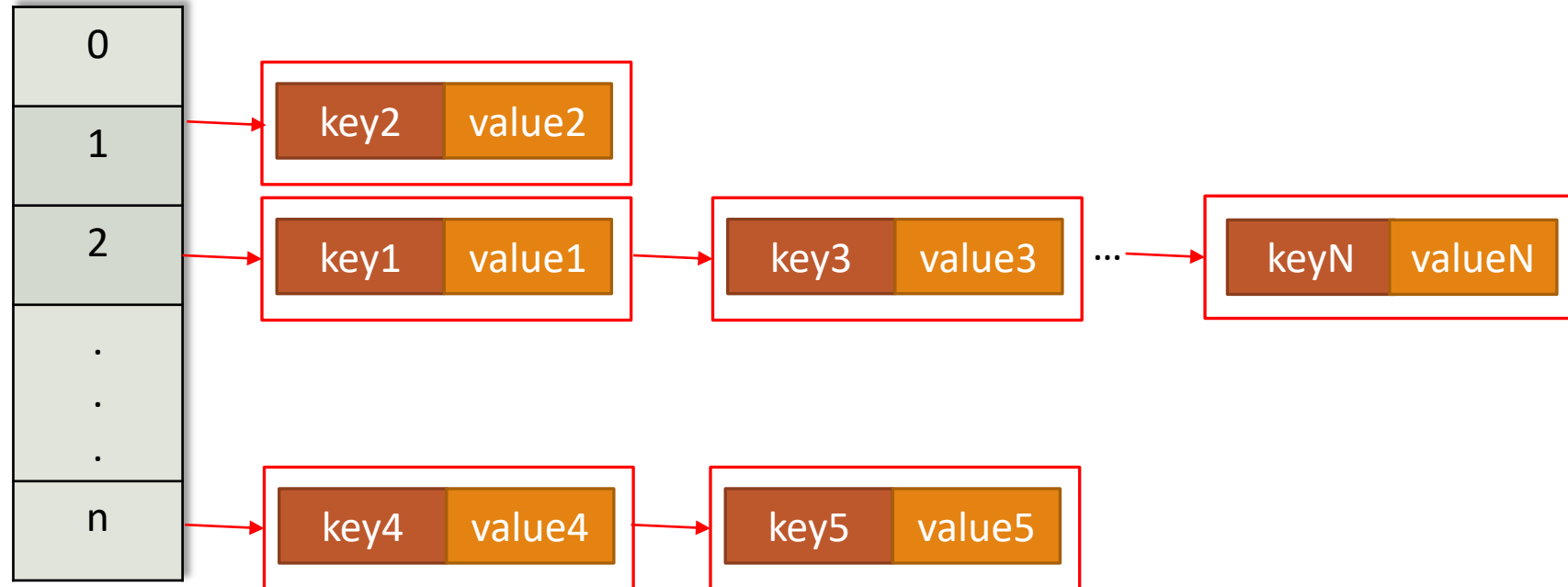
RETRIEVING VALUE for a KEY

how to find the
associated value
to key3?

key3

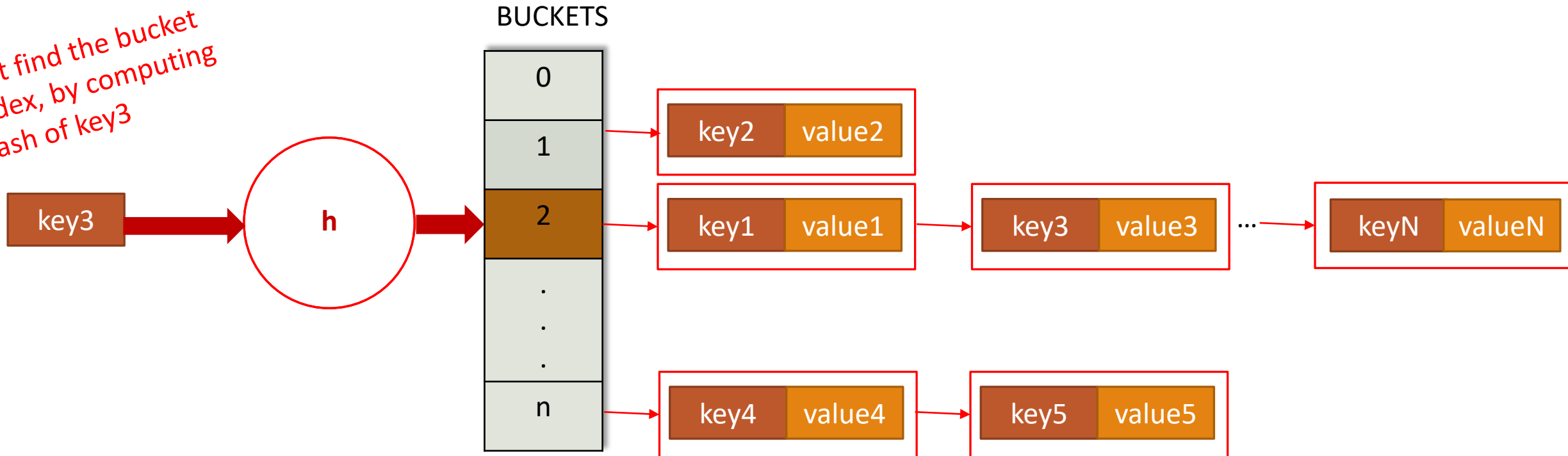


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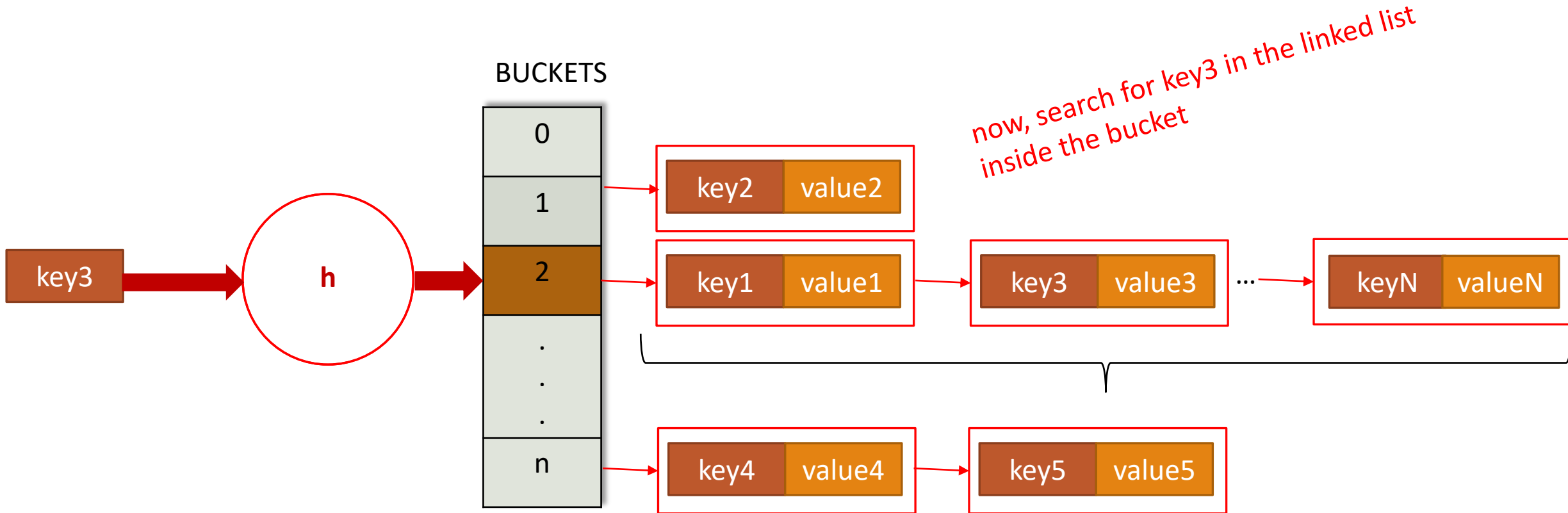


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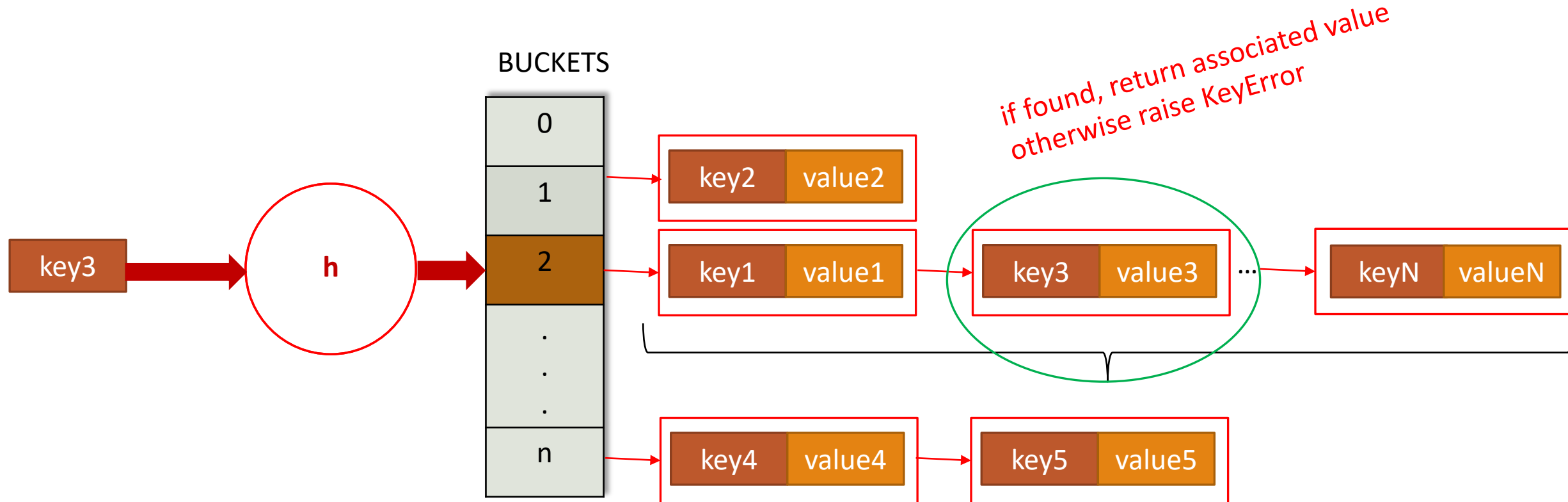
first find the bucket
index, by computing
hash of key3



RETRIEVING VALUE for a KEY



RETRIEVING VALUE for a KEY



HASH FUNCTION

- the idea of hashing is to distribute the entries (key/value pairs) across an array of **buckets**
- a good hash function is a function which results in less **collisions**
- a critical statistic for a hash table is the *load factor*, defined as

$$\text{load factor} = \frac{n}{k}$$

where

- n is the number of entries occupied in the hash table.
- k is the number of buckets.
- as the load factor grows larger, the hash table becomes slower, and it may even fail to work
- the expected constant time property of a hash table assumes that the load factor be kept below some bound

BUILT-IN HASH TABLE in PYTHON?

- dictionaries!