



# Datastructures and Algorithms

Amortized Analysis, Code Example "Dynamically Sized Array"

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# 1. Follow-up

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# Follow-up from last session

## **Slide 15** " $\log(n!) \in \Theta(n \log n)$ "

- I double checked and it seems to be true
- Proof via Stirling's approximation of  $n!$

## **Slide 19** "Analyse the running time of (recursive) Functions"

- If we have enough time left, we might revisit this

## **Slide 39** "Master Method"

- If we have enough time left, we might revisit this too

## **Slide 42** "Sorting Algorithms"

- Who did have a look at it?

## **Slide 57** "Trade Offer regarding $\text{\LaTeX}$ "

- Because we didn't get to everything last time, I deem it would be better to postpone this

## 2. Feedback regarding **code expert**

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# General things regarding **code expert**

- Bonus open since Monday(?)
- XP needed to unlock it
- I'm correcting as quickly as I can, so you all can get started on it

Any questions regarding **code expert** on your part?

# 3. Learning Objectives

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# Objectives

- Understand the basics of the three *Amortized Analysis* methods
  - Aggregate Analysis
  - Account Method
  - Potential Method
- Be prepared for Double Ended Queue exercise on **code expert**

## 4. Summary

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# Getting on the same page

- What happened in the lectures since last time?

## 5. Entry Quiz

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# Quiz

Among a huge number ( $n$ ) of students present, a prize will be awarded to the student with the median Legi number. There is an argument what kind of algorithm shall be used to find this student. Mark the correct statements.

(1) In order to have a worst case runtime of  $\mathcal{O}(n \log n)$ , we use

- BubbleSort
- Selection Sort
- Mergesort
- Quicksort

# Quiz

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(2) We use Quickselect with random pivot choice. Then we have

- a worst case running time of  $\mathcal{O}(n \log n)$
- a worst case running time of  $\mathcal{O}(n)$
- an expected running time of  $\mathcal{O}(\log n)$
- an expected running time of  $\mathcal{O}(n)$

6. Repetition theory

## 6.1. Amortized Analysis

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# Amortized Analysis

## **Three Methods**

- Aggregate analysis
- Account Method
- Potential Method



# Example: simple multi-set

Supports operations **Insert** and **Find**.

Idea:

- Collection of arrays  $A_i$  with Length  $2^i$
- Every array is either entirely empty or entirely full and stores items in a sorted order
- Between the arrays there is no further relationship

Data  $\{1, 8, 10, 18, 20, 24, 36, 48, 50, 75, 99\}$ ,  $n = 11$

$A_0$ : [50]

$A_1$ : [8, 99]

$A_2$ :  $\emptyset$

$A_3$ : [1, 10, 18, 20, 24, 36, 48, 75]

We use 0-indexing, such that for the lengths  $|A_i| = 2^i$ .

## Example: simple multi-set

For any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we can store exactly  $n$  elements in our multi set, without partially-filled arrays. Intuition: binary representation of  $n$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{\#elements in multi-set} &= |A_k| + |A_{k-1}| + \dots + |A_0| \\ &= b_k 2^k + b_{k-1} 2^{k-1} + \dots + b_0 2^0 \\ &= (b_k \quad b_{k-1} \quad \dots \quad b_0)_2 \end{aligned}$$

Where  $b_i = 0$  if  $|A_i| = 0$ , and 1 if  $|A_i| = 2^i$ .

# Example: simple multi-set

Data  $\{1, 8, 10, 18, 20, 24, 36, 48, 50, 75, 99\}$ ,  $n = 11$

$A_0$ : [50]

$A_1$ : [8, 99]

$A_2$ :  $\emptyset$

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Algorithm **Find**: Perform a binary search on each array

Worst-case Runtime:  $\Theta(\log^2 n)$ ,

$$\log 1 + \log 2 + \log 4 + \cdots + \log 2^k = \sum_{i=0}^k \log_2 2^i = \frac{k \cdot (k + 1)}{2} \in \Theta(\log^2 n).$$

$(k = \lfloor \log_2 n \rfloor)$

# Example: simple multi-set

Algorithm `Insert(x)`:

- New array  $A'_0 \leftarrow [x], i \leftarrow 0$
- while  $A_i \neq \emptyset$ , set  $A'_{i+1} = \text{Merge}(A_i, A'_i), A_i \leftarrow \emptyset, i \leftarrow i + 1$
- Set  $A_i \leftarrow A'_i$

Insert(11)

	Pre-insert	Temporary		Post-insert
$A_0$ :	[50]	$A'_0$ : [11]	$\implies$	$A_0$ : $\emptyset$
$A_1$ :	[8, 99]	$A'_1$ : [11, 50]		$A_1$ : $\emptyset$
$A_2$ :	$\emptyset$	$A'_2$ : [8, 11, 50, 99]		$A_2$ : [8, 11, 50, 99]
$A_3$ :	[1, 10, 18, ..., 75]			$A_3$ : [1, 10, 18, ..., 75]

# Costs insert

In the following example:  $n = 2^k$ ,  $k = \log_2 n$

**Assumption:** creating new array  $A'_i$  with length  $2^i$  (and, for  $i > 0$  subsequent merge of  $A'_{i-1}$  and  $A_{i-1}$ ) has costs  $\Theta(2^i)$

In the worst case, inserting an element into the data structure provides  $\log_2 n$  such operations.

⇒ **Worst-case Costs Insert:**

$$\sum_{i=0}^k 2^i = 2^{k+1} - 1 \in \Theta(n).$$

# Aggregate analysis

Level	Costs	Example Array
0	1	[*]
1	2	[*,*]
2	4	[*,*,*,*]
3	8	$\emptyset$
4	16	[*,*,*,*,*,*,*,*,*,*,*,*,*,*,*]

**Observation:** Starting with an empty container, an insertion sequence reaches level 0 each time, level 1 (with costs 2) every second time, level 2 (with costs 4) every fourth time, etc.

- Total costs:  $1 \cdot \frac{n}{1} + 2 \cdot \frac{n}{2} + 4 \cdot \frac{n}{4} + \dots + 2^k \cdot \frac{n}{2^k} = (k + 1)n$   
This is in  $\Theta(n \log n)$  because  $k = \log_2 n$ .
- **Amortized cost per operation:**  $\Theta((n \log n)/n) = \Theta(\log n)$ .

# Accounting method

- Every element  $i$  ( $1 \leq i \leq n$ ) pays  $a_i = \log_2 n$  coins when it is inserted into the data structure.
  - The element pays the allocation of the first array and every subsequent merge-step that can occur until the element has reached array  $A_{k+1}$  ( $k = \lfloor \log_2 n \rfloor$ ).
  - The account provides enough credit to pay for all Merge operations of the  $n$  elements.
- ⇒ **Amortized costs** for insertion  $\mathcal{O}(\log n)$

# Potential method

We know from the accounting method that **each element on the way to higher levels requires**  $\log n$  **coins**, i.e. that an element on level  $i$  still needs to possess  $k - i$  coins. We use the **potential**

$$\Phi_j = \sum_{0 \leq i \leq k: A_i \neq \emptyset} (k - i) \cdot 2^i$$



# Potential method

For the **change of the potential**  $\Phi_j - \Phi_{j-1}$  we only have to consider the lower  $l$  levels that are occupied at time point  $j - 1$  (in analogy to the binary counter). Let  $l$  be the smallest index such that array  $A_l$  is empty.

After merging arrays  $A_0 \dots A_{l-1}$ , array  $A_l$  is full and arrays  $A_i (0 \leq i < l)$  are now empty. Therefore:

$$\Phi_j - \Phi_{j-1} = (k - l) \cdot 2^l - \sum_{i=0}^{l-1} (k - i) \cdot 2^i$$

Real costs:

$$t_j = \sum_{i=0}^l 2^i = 2^{l+1} - 1$$

# Potential method

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi_j - \Phi_{j-1} &= (k - l) \cdot 2^l - \sum_{i=0}^{l-1} (k - i) \cdot 2^i \\ &= (k - l) \cdot 2^l - k \cdot (2^l - 1) + \sum_{i=0}^{l-1} i \cdot 2^i \\ &= (k - l) \cdot 2^l - k \cdot (2^l - 1) + l \cdot 2^l - 2^{l+1} + 2 \\ &= k - 2^{l+1} + 2\end{aligned}$$

$$\implies \Phi_j - \Phi_{j-1} + t_j = k - 2^{l+1} + 2 + 2^{l+1} - 1 = k + 1 \in \Theta(\log n)$$

See CLRS Chapter 16.

$$\sum i \cdot \lambda^i$$

Always the same trick:

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda \cdot \sum_{i=0}^n i \cdot \lambda^i - \sum_{i=0}^n i \cdot \lambda^i &= \sum_{i=0}^n i \cdot \lambda^{i+1} - \sum_{i=0}^n i \cdot \lambda^i = \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} (i-1) \cdot \lambda^i - \sum_{i=0}^n i \cdot \lambda^i \\ &= n \cdot \lambda^{n+1} + \sum_{i=1}^n (i-1) \cdot \lambda^i - i \cdot \lambda = n \cdot \lambda^{n+1} - \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda^i \\ &= n \cdot \lambda^{n+1} - \frac{\lambda^{n+1} - 1}{\lambda - 1} + 1 \\ \implies (\lambda - 1) \cdot \sum_{i=0}^n i \cdot \lambda^i &= n \cdot \lambda^{n+1} - \frac{\lambda^{n+1} - 1}{\lambda - 1} + 1 \end{aligned}$$

For  $\lambda = 2$ :

$$\sum_{i=0}^n i \cdot 2^i = n \cdot 2^{n+1} - 2^{n+1} + 1 + 1 = (n-1) \cdot 2^{n+1} + 2$$

# Quiz

```
void g(unsigned n){
    for (unsigned k = 1; k != n ; ++k){
        // call f for all bits that toggle from k-1 to k
        unsigned prev = k-1;
        for (unsigned num = k; num != 0; num /= 2){
            if (num % 2 != prev % 2)
                f();
            prev /= 2;
        }
    }
}
```

Q: Asymptotic number of calls of  $f$ ?

# Recap dynamically allocated memory

Important: Every `new` needs its `delete` and only one!

Therefore “Rule of three”:

- constructor
- copy constructor
- destructor

Being lazy “Rule of two”:

- never copy (unsafe)
- make copy constructor private (safe) or deleted

## 7. Code-Example: Dynamically Sized Array

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# Dynamically Sized Array

- Preparation for exercise "Double Ended Queue"
- We're going to implement our own `std::vector`

## 8. Tips for **code** expert

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# Tips for **code expert** Exercise 3

*These are the ones due Thu 13.03.2025, 23:59 (in 2 days)*

## **Recursive Function Analysis**

- Please make sure to upload your Solution correctly
- Ideally as a PDF

## **The Master Method**

- Do we want to go over this again?

## **Throwing Eggs**

- Don't spend too much time on this

## **Mergesort**

- Classic coding exercise

## **Matrices**

- Go over the concepts of iterators and **const** again if needed

# Tips for **code expert** Exercise 4

*These are the ones due Thu 20.03.2025, 23:59 (next week)*

## **Task "Stable and In-Situ Sorting"**

- "...in their unmodified form..."

## **Task "Amortized Analysis: Dynamic Array"**

- Ottman/Widmayer, Chapter 3.3 (depending on version)
- Cormen et al, Chapter 17 (or 16 depending on version)

## **Task "Double Ended Queue"**

- Takes time – make sure to start early!
- Dynamic data types and memory management (fun!)
- By the way: *the name Double Ended Queue may be misleading because it suggests to be implemented with a linked list. This would make it hard, if not impossible, to fulfill the requirements stated above. Rather think of something like a vector and extend it with `push_front()`*

## 9. Past Exam Questions

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No new ones this week...

Let's just go over the ones from last time...

# 10. Outro

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# General Questions?

See you next time!

Have a nice week!