Fundamental Algorithms

Chapter 1: Introduction

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Basic Information

- Lectures: Fri 11:00-14:00, F1.110
- Tutorials: Fri 9:00-11:00 (F1.110)
- Assistant: Jannes Stubbemann
- Tutorials start in third week
- Course webpage: http://groups.uni-paderborn.de/fg-qi/courses/UPB_FUNDAMENTAL_ALGS/W2019/UPB_FUNDAMENTAL_ALGS.html
- Written exam at the end of the course
- Prerequisite: Data Structures and Algorithms (DuA)

Basic Information

Homework assignments and bonus points:

- New homework assignment: every Friday on the course webpage, starting with today.
- Submission of homework: one week later, before start of class. Homework can be submitted by a team of 1-4 people.
- Discussion of homework: one week later, in the tutorials (with exception of homework 1).
- Bonus: 1 step if >= 60% of points on homeworks
  2 steps if >= 80% of points on homeworks
  Bonus applies only if final exam is passed.

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- Matrices and Scientific Computing
  - Matrix multiplication algs
  - Random walks
  - Polynomial multiplication

Literature

- T.H. Corman, C.E.Leiserson, R.L. Rivest, C. Stein. Introduction to Algorithms. MIT Press, 2002.
- J. Kleinberg, E. Tardos. Algorithm Design. Pearson, 2006.

Goal of this course

To study advanced algorithms making efficient use of resources (e.g. time, space, etc).

Why efficient?

- Large amounts of data (bio informatics, WWW)
- Real-time applications (games)
- To classify complexity of problems (theory of CS)

To complete the picture (beyond this course):

- Hardness results (e.g. NP-hard, QMA-hard, #P-hard)
- Fine-grained complexity (what is the exact complexity of problems in P?)

Efficiency

Measurement of Efficiency:

- Algorithm:
  based on input size
  (i.e., memory needed for a given input)

- Data structure:
  based on size of the data structure
  (e.g., number of elements in data structure) resp.
  the length of the request sequence applied to an
  initially empty data structure

Efficiency

Input "size" (depends on context):

- (Bit complexity) Number of bits required to represent the input.
- (Operation complexity) Size of input set

Example: Sorting

Input: sequence of numbers $a_1,\ldots,a_n \in \mathbb{N}$

Output: sorted sequence of these numbers

Size of input for operation complexity: n

Notation for this course

- $\mathbb{N}=\{1,2,3,\ldots\}$: set of natural numbers
- $\mathbb{N}_0 = \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$: set of non-negative integers
- $\mathbb{Z}$: set of integers
- $\mathbb{R}$: set of real numbers
- For all $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$: $[n]=\{1,\ldots,n\}$ and $[n]_0 = \{0,\ldots,n\}$
- Given a set L let $\wp^k(L)$ the set of subsets of L of cardinality/size k

How to “measure” efficiency?

- S: set of instances (e.g. all n bit strings $x \in \{0,1\}^*$)
- $T : S \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$: runtime $T(x)$ of algorithm for instance $x \in S$
- S_n: set of all instances of size n.

Common measures:

- Worst case: $t(n)=\max\{T(x): x \in S_n\}$
- Best case: $t(n)=\min\{T(x): x \in S_n\}$
- Average case: $t(n) = (1/|S_n|) \sum_{x \in S_n} T(x)$

We will mainly look at the worst case.

Measurement of Efficiency

Why worst case?

- “typical case” hard to grasp, average case is not necessarily a good measure for that
- gives guarantees for the efficiency of an algorithm (important for robustness)

How to classify efficiency: Asymptotic growth

- Big-Oh notation…

Asymptotic Notation

Informally: Two functions $f(n)$ and $g(n)$ have the same **asymptotic growth** if there are constants $c>0$ and $d>0$ so that $c<f(n)/g(n)<d$ for all "sufficiently large" n.

Example: n^2, $5n^2-7n$ and $n^2/10+100n$ have the same asymptotic growth since, e.g.,

$$1/5 < (5n^2-7n)/n^2 < 5$$

for all $n \geq 2$.

Asymptotic Notation

Why is it sufficient to consider sufficiently large n?

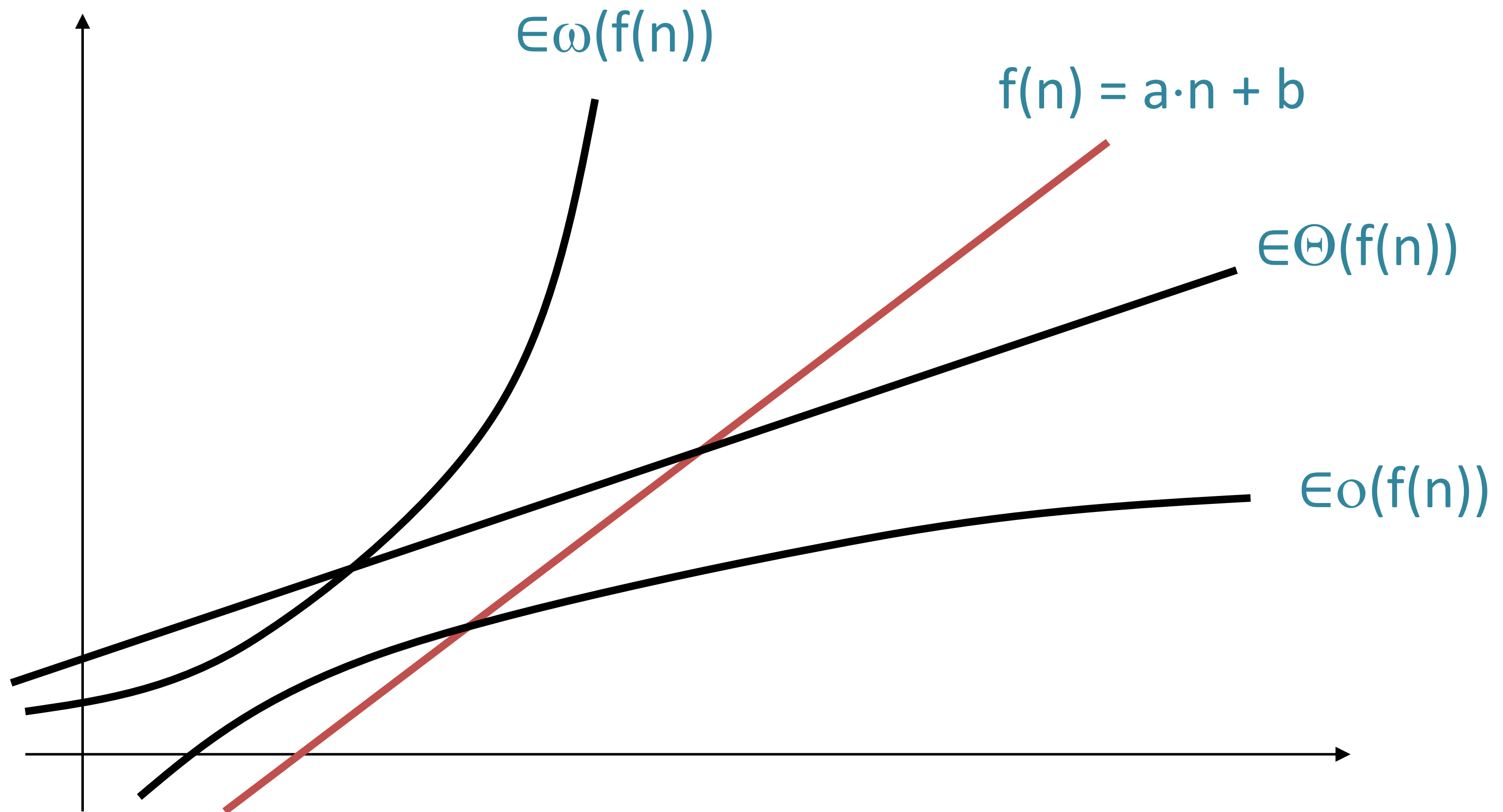
Goal: algorithms that are efficient even for very large instances (i.e., they scale well).

The following sets formalize asymptotic growth:

- ($\leq$) $O(f(n))=\{ g(n) \mid \exists c>0\ \exists n_0>0\ \forall n>n_0: g(n) \leq c \cdot f(n) \}$
- ($\geq$) $\Omega(f(n))=\{ g(n) \mid \exists c>0\ \exists n_0>0\ \forall n>n_0: g(n) \geq c \cdot f(n) \}$
- ($=$) $\Theta(f(n)) = O(f(n)) \cap \Omega(f(n))$
- ($<$) $o(f(n))=\{ g(n) \mid \forall c>0\ \exists n_0>0\ \forall n>n_0: g(n) \leq c \cdot f(n) \}$
- ($>$) $\omega(f(n))=\{ g(n) \mid \forall c>0\ \exists n_0>0\ \forall n>n_0: g(n) \geq c \cdot f(n) \}$

Only consider functions f(n) (resp. g(n)) s.t. $\exists N>0\ \forall n>N: f(n) > 0$ (supposed to be measures for time and space).

Asymptotic Notation



Asymptotic Notation

- $\limsup_{n\to\infty} x_n$: $\lim_{n\to\infty} (\sup_{m\geq n} x_m)$

  sup: supremum (example: $\sup\{ x\in\mathbb{R} \mid x<2 \} = 2$)
- $\liminf_{n\to\infty} x_n$: $\lim_{n\to\infty} (\inf_{m\geq n} x_m)$

  inf: infimum (example: $\inf \{ x\in\mathbb{R} \mid x>3 \} = 3$)

Alternative way of defining O-notation:

- $O(g(n))=\{ f(n) \mid \exists\ c>0\ \limsup_{n\to\infty} f(n)/g(n) \leq c \}$
- $\Omega(g(n))=\{ f(n) \mid \exists\ c>0\ \liminf_{n\to\infty} f(n)/g(n) \geq c \}$
- $\Theta(g(n)) = O(g(n)) \cap \Omega(g(n))$
- $o(g(n))=\{ f(n) \mid \limsup_{n\to\infty} f(n)/g(n) = 0 \}$
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Crash Course on Limits

Let $f:\mathbb{N}\to\mathbb{R}$ be a function and $a,b\in\mathbb{R}$.

- f has for $z\to\infty$ limit b if for every $\varepsilon>0$ there is a $k>0$ with $|f(z)-b|<\varepsilon$ for all $z\in\mathbb{R}$ with $z>k$. In this case we write

$$\lim_{z\to\infty} f(z) = b$$

- f has for $z\to\infty$ limit ∞ if for every $c>0$ there is a $k>0$ with $f(z)>c$ for all $z\in\mathbb{R}$ with $z>k$. In this case we write

$$\lim_{z\to\infty} f(z) = \infty$$

Why $\limsup_{n\to\infty}$ versus $\lim_{n\to\infty}$?

For every sequence $(x_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$ of real numbers, $\liminf_{n\to\infty}$ and $\limsup_{n\to\infty}$ is $\mathbb{R}\cup\{-\infty, \infty\}$.

NOT the case for $\lim_{n\to\infty}$: There exist sequences with no limit under this definition!

Ex: Let $f(n) = (-1)^n$. What is $\lim_{n\to\infty} f(n)$? What is $\limsup_{n\to\infty} f(n)$?

Asymptotic Notation

Examples:

- n^2, $5n^2$-$7n$, $n^2/10 + 100n \in O(n^2)$
- $n \log n \in \Omega(n)$, $n^3 \in \Omega(n^2)$
- $\log n \in o(n)$, $n^3 \in o(2^n)$
- $n^5 \in \omega(n^3)$, $2^{2n} \in \omega(2^n)$

Asymptotic Notation

O- and Ω- resp. o- and ω-notation are complementary to each other, i.e.:

- $f(n) = O(g(n)) \Rightarrow g(n) = \Omega(f(n))$
- $f(n) = \Omega(g(n)) \Rightarrow g(n) = O(f(n))$
- $f(n) = o(g(n)) \Rightarrow g(n) = \omega(f(n))$
- $f(n) = \omega(g(n)) \Rightarrow g(n) = o(f(n))$

Proof: follows from definition of notation

Asymptotic Notation

Proof of $f(n) = O(g(n)) \Rightarrow g(n) = \Omega(f(n))$:

- $f(n) = O(g(n))$: there are $c, n_0 > 0$ so that

  $f(n) \leq c \cdot g(n)$ for all $n > n_0$.

- Hence, there are $c'(=1/c), n_0 > 0$ so that

  $g(n) \geq c' \cdot f(n)$ for all $n > n_0$.

- Therefore, $g(n) = \Omega(f(n))$.

Asymptotic Notation

O-, Ω- and Θ-notation is reflexive, i.e.:

- $f(n) = O(f(n))$
- $f(n) = \Omega(f(n))$
- $f(n) = \Theta(f(n))$

Θ-notation is symmetric, i.e.

- $f(n) = \Theta(g(n))$ if and only if $g(n) = \Theta(f(n))$.

Proof: via definition of notation

Asymptotic Notation

O-, Ω- und Θ-notation is transitive, i.e.:

$f(n) = O(g(n))$ and $g(n) = O(h(n))$ implies $f(n) = O(h(n))$.

$f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$ and $g(n) = \Omega(h(n))$ implies $f(n) = \Omega(h(n))$.

$f(n) = \Theta(g(n))$ and $g(n) = \Theta(h(n))$ implies $f(n) = \Theta(h(n))$.

Proof: via definition of notation.

Transitivity also holds for o- and ω-notation.

Asymptotic Notation

Proof for transitivity of O-notation:

- $f(n) = O(g(n)) \Leftrightarrow$ there are $c', n'_0 > 0$ so that

$$f(n) \leq c' g(n) \text{ for all } n > n'_0.$$

- $g(n) = O(h(n)) \Leftrightarrow$ there are $c'', n''_0 > 0$ so that

$$g(n) \leq c'' h(n) \text{ for all } n > n''_0.$$

Let $n_0 = \max\{n'_0, n''_0\}$ and $c = c' \cdot c''$. Then for all $n > n_0$:

$$f(n) \leq c' \cdot g(n) \leq c' \cdot c'' \cdot h(n) = c \cdot h(n).$$

Asymptotic Notation

Theorem 1.1:
Let $f_1(n) = O(g_1(n))$ and $f_2(n)=O(g_2(n))$.
Then it holds:
(a) $f_1(n) + f_2(n) = O(g_1(n) + g_2(n))$
(b) $f_1(n) \cdot f_2(n) = O(g_1(n) \cdot g_2(n))$
Expressions also correct for Ω , o, ω and Θ.

Theorem 1.2:
(a) $c \cdot f(n) = \Theta(f(n))$ for any constant $c>0$
(b) $O(f(n))+O(g(n)) = O(f(n)+g(n))$
(c) $O(f(n)) \cdot O(g(n)) = O(f(n) \cdot g(n))$
(d) $O(f(n)+g(n)) = O(f(n))$ if $g(n)=O(f(n))$
Expressions with O are also correct for Ω , o, ω and Θ.

Be careful with inductive use of (d)!!!

Asymptotic Notation

Proof of Theorem 1.1 (a):

- Let $f_1(n) = O(g_1(n))$ and $f_2(n)=O(g_2(n))$.
- Then it holds:

  $\exists\, c_1>0\ \exists\, n_1>0\ \forall\, n\geq n_1: f_1(n) \leq c_1 \cdot g_1(n)$

  $\exists\, c_2>0\ \exists\, n_2>0\ \forall\, n\geq n_2: f_2(n) \leq c_2 \cdot g_2(n)$

- Hence, with $c_0=\max\{c_1,c_2\}$ and $n_0=\max\{n_1,n_2\}$ we get:

  $\exists\, c_0>0\ \exists\, n_0>0\ \forall\, n\geq n_0:$

  $$f_1(n)+f_2(n) \leq c_0 \cdot (g_1(n)+g_2(n))$$

- Therefore, $f_1(n)+f_2(n) = O(g_1(n)+g_2(n))$.

Proof of (b): exercise

Asymptotic Notation

Proof of Theorem 1.2 (b):

- Consider arbitrary functions $h_1(n)$ and $h_2(n)$ with $h_1(n)=O(f(n))$ and $h_2(n)=O(g(n))$.
- From Theorem 1.1 (a) we know that

$$h_1(n)+h_2(n) = O(f(n)+g(n))$$

- Hence,

$$O(f(n))+O(g(n)) = O(f(n)+g(n))$$

Proof of (c) and (d): exercise

Asymptotic Notation

Theorem 1.3: Let $p(n) = \sum_{i=0}^{k} a_i \cdot n^i$ with $a_k > 0$. Then, $p(n) = \Theta(n^k)$.

Proof:

To show: $p(n) = O(n^k)$ and $p(n) = \Omega(n^k)$.

- $p(n) = O(n^k)$: For all $n \geq 1$,

  $p(n) \leq \sum_{i=0}^{k} |a_i|\, n^i \leq n^k \sum_{i=0}^{k} |a_i|$
- Hence, definition of $O()$ is satisfied with $c = \sum_{i=0}^{k} |a_i|$ and $n_0 = 1$.

- $p(n) = \Omega(n^k)$: For all $n \geq 2k \cdot A / a_k$ and $A = \max_i |a_i|$,

  $p(n) \geq a_k \cdot n^k - \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} A \cdot n^i \geq a_k\, n^k - k \cdot A\, n^{k-1} \geq a_k\, n^k/2$
- Hence, definition of $\Omega()$ is satisfied with $c = a_k/2$ and $n_0 = 2kA/a_k$.

Pseudo Code

We will use pseudo code in order to formally specify an algorithm.

Declaration of variables:

v: T : Variable v of type T

v=x: T : is initialized with the value x

Types of variables:

- integer, boolean, char
- Pointer to T: pointer to an element of type T
- Array[i..j] of T: array of elements with index i to j of type T

Pseudo-Code

Allocation and de-allocation of space:

- v:= allocate Array[1..n] of T
- dispose v

Important commands: (C: condition, I,J: commands)

- v:=A // v receives the result of expression A
- if C then I else J
- repeat I until C, while C do I
- for v:=a to e do I
- foreach e∈S do I
- return v

Runtime Analysis

What do we know?

- O-notation ($O(f(n))$, $\Omega(f(n))$, $\Theta(f(n)$, …)
- Pseudo code
  (if then else, while do, allocate/dispose,…)

How do we use this to analyze algorithms?

Runtime Analysis

Worst-case runtime:

- T(I): worst-case runtime of instruction I
- T(elementary command) = O(1)
- T(return x) = O(1)
- T(I;I´) = T(I) + T(I´)
- T(if C then I else I´) = T(C) + max{T(I),T(I´)}
- T(for i:=a to b do I) = $\sum_{i=a}^{b}$ T(I)
- T(repeat I until C) = $\sum_{i=1}^{k}$ (T(C)+T(I))
  (k: number of iterations)
- T(while C do I) = $\sum_{i=1}^{k}$ (T(C)+T(I))

Runtime analysis difficult for while- und repeat-loops since we need to determine k, which is sometimes not so easy!

Example: Computation of Sign

Input: number $x \in \mathbb{R}$

Algorithm Signum(x):

if $x<0$ then return -1	$O(1)$
if $x>0$ then return 1	$O(1)$
return 0	$O(1)$

Th 1.2: total runtime: $O(1+1+1)=O(1)$

Example: Minimum

Input: array of numbers A[1],…,A[n]

Minimum Algorithm:

min := 1	O(1)
for i:=1 to n do	$O(\sum_{i=1}^{n} T(I))$
if A[i]<min then min:=A[i]	O(1)
return min	O(1)

runtime: $O(1 + (\sum_{i=1}^{n} 1) + 1) = O(n)$

Example: Sorting

Input: array of numbers A[1],…,A[n]

Bubblesort Algorithm:

```
for i:=1 to n-1 do
   for j:= n-1 downto i do
      if A[j]>A[j+1] then
         x:=A[j]
         A[j]:=A[j+1]
         A[j+1]:=x
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$O(\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} T(I))$

$O(\sum_{j=i}^{n-1} T(I))$

$O(1 + T(I))$

$O(1)$

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runtime: $O(\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i}^{n-1} 1)$

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$$\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i}^{n-1} 1$$
$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} (n-i)$$
$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} i$$
$$= n(n-1)/2$$
$$= O(n^2)$$

Example: Binary Search

Input: number x and sorted array $A[1],\dots,A[n]$

Binary Search Algorithm:

```
l:=1; r:=n                                   O(1)
while l < r do                               O(∑_{i=1}^k T(I))
    m:=(r+l) div 2                           O(1)
    if A[m] = x then return m                O(1)
    if A[m] < x then l:=m+1                  O(1)
                 else r:=m-1                 O(1)
return l                                     O(1)
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What is k ? Idea: Track *size* of search space

$\Phi(i):=(r-l+1)$ in iteration i

$\Phi(1)=n$, $\Phi(i+1)\leq\Phi(i)/2$

$\Phi(i)\leq 1$: done

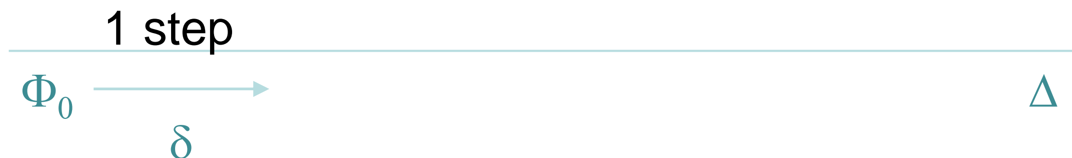
Thus, $k \leq \log n + 1$

Runtime via Potential Function

Find a potential function Φ and $\delta,\Delta>0$ so that

- Φ decreases (resp. increases) by at least δ in each iteration of the while-/repeat-loop and
- Φ is bounded from below (resp. above) by Δ.

Then the while-/repeat-loop is executed at most $1+|\Phi_0-\Delta|/\delta$ times, where Φ_0 is the initial value of Φ.



Example: Bresenham Algorithm

(x,y):=(0,R)	O(1)
F:=1-R	O(1)
plot(0,R); plot(R,0); plot(0,-R); plot(-R,0)	O(1)
while x<y do	$O(\sum_{i=1}^{k} T(I))$
x:=x+1	
if F<0 then	everything
F:=F+2·x - 1	
else	O(1)
F:=F+2·(x-y)	
y:=y-1	
plot(x,y); plot(y,x); plot(-x,y); plot(y,-x)	
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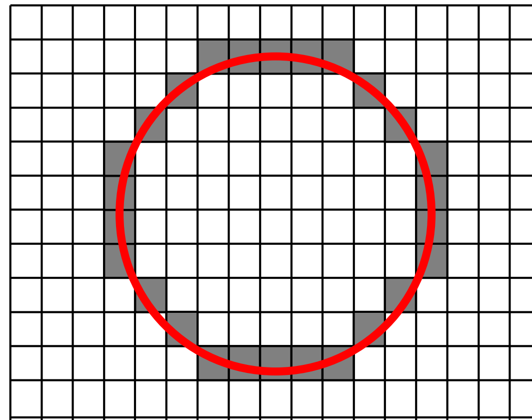

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Potential function:

$\phi(x,y) = y-x$

monotonic: reduces by ≥ 1 per round of while-loop

bounded: while condition

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Potential function:

$\phi(x,y) = y-x$

Number of rounds:

$\phi_0(x,y) = R$, $\phi(x,y)>0$

→ at most R rounds

Example: Factorial

Input: natural number n

Algorithm Factorial(n):

if $n=1$ then return 1 $\qquad$ $O(1)$

else return $n \cdot$ Factorial($n-1$) $\qquad$ $O(1 + ??)$

Runtime:

- $T(n)$: runtime of Factorial(n)
- $T(n) = T(n-1) + O(1)$, $T(1) = O(1)$

Master-Theorem

Theorem 1.4: Let $a \geq 1, b > 1$ and

$$T(n) = aT\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) + f(n).$$

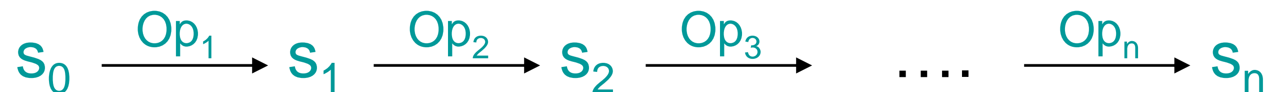
Then:

- If $f(n) = O\left(n^{\log_b a - c}\right)$ for constant $c > 0$, then $T(n) = \Theta\left(n^{\log_b a}\right)$.
- If $f(n) = \Theta\left(n^{\log_b a}\right)$, then $T(n) = \Theta\left(n^{\log_b a} \log n\right)$.
- If $f(n) = \Omega\left(n^{\log_b a + c}\right)$ for constant $c > 0$, and if $af\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) \leq df(n)$ for constant $d < 1$ and all sufficiently large n, then $T(n) = \Theta(f(n))$.

Exercise: Use Master Theorem to bound runtime for binary search.

Amortized Analysis

- S: state space of data structure
- F: sequence of operations Op_1, Op_2, $Op_3, \ldots, Op_n$
- s_0: initial state of data structure



- Total runtime $T(F) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} T_{Op_i}(s_{i-1})$

Amortized Analysis: Intuition

Question: What is daily cost of owning a car?

Day	Activity	Cost
1	Buy car	20,000
2	Buy gas	60
3-10	Drive	0
11	Buy gas	60
12	Drive	0 ... and so forth ....

So what is daily cost of owning a car?

- Worst case analysis: cost of worst operation over all days, O(20,000)!

  ... grossly overestimates the „typical“ daily cost
- Amortized analysis: add all costs, divide by # days, i.e. „average“ cost per day.

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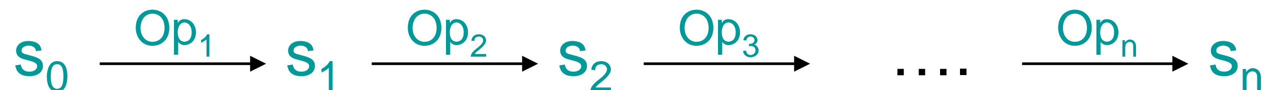

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Amortized Analysis

- Total runtime $T(F) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} T_{Op_i}(s_{i-1})$
- A family of functions $A_X(s)$, one per operation X, is called a family of amortized time bounds if for every sequence F of operations,

  $$T(F) \leq c + \sum_{i=1}^{n} A_{Op_i}(s_{i-1}) =: A(F)$$

  for some constant c independent of F
- Amortized runtime of an operation X denotes the „average" runtime of X in the worst case.

How to choose $A_X(s)$?

- Trivial choice --- $A_X(s) := T_X(s)$
- More clever choice of $A_X(s)$ via potential function $\phi: S \to \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ can simplify proofs

Amortized Analysis

Theorem 1.5: Let S be the state space of a data structure, s_0 be the initial state, and $\phi: S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ be an arbitrary non-negative function. For some operation X and a state s with $s \rightarrow s'$ define

$$A_X(s) := T_X(s) + (\phi(s') - \phi(s)).$$

Then the functions $A_X(s)$ form a family of amortized time bounds.

Amortized Analysis

To show: $T(F) \leq c + \sum_{i=1}^{n} A_{Op_i}(s_{i-1})$

Proof:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} A_{Op_i}(s_{i-1}) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} [T_{Op_i}(s_{i-1}) + \phi(s_i) - \phi(s_{i-1})]$$

$$= T(F) + \sum_{i=1}^{n} [\phi(s_i) - \phi(s_{i-1})]$$

$$= T(F) + \phi(s_n) - \phi(s_0)$$

$$\Rightarrow T(F) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} A_{Op_i}(s_{i-1}) + \phi(s_0) - \phi(s_n)$$

$$\leq \sum_{i=1}^{n} A_{Op_i}(s_{i-1}) + \phi(s_0)$$

constant

Amortized Analysis

The potential method is „universal“!

Theorem 1.6: Let $B_X(s)$ be an arbitrary family of amortized time bounds. Then there is a potential function ϕ so that $A_X(s) \leq B_X(s)$ for all states s and all operations X, where $A_X(s)$ is defined as in Theorem 1.5.

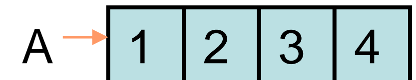
Problem: How to design "good" potential function?

Idea: ϕ compensates for cost of upcoming operations

Example: Dynamic Array

w: current size of array A

n=w=4:



Insert(x):
  if n=w then
    A:=reallocate(A,2w)
  n:=n+1
  A[n]:=x

reallocate(A,w): allocate array B of size w, copy contents of A to B, and return B

Example: Dynamic Array

Remove(i): remove i-th element

Remove(i):

A[i]:=A[n]

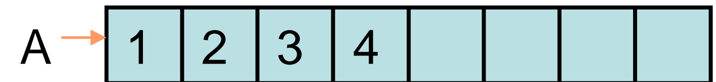
A[n]:=nil

n:=n-1

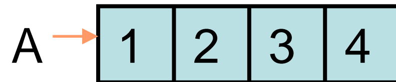
if $n \leq w/4$ and $n>0$ then

A:=reallocate(A,w/2)

n=5, w=16:



Example: Dynamic Array

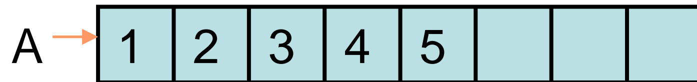


reallocate

+

Insert

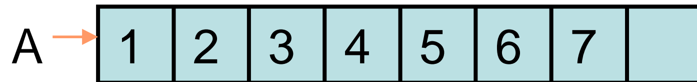
$\phi(s)=0$



$\phi(s)=2$

Insert

$\phi(s)=4$

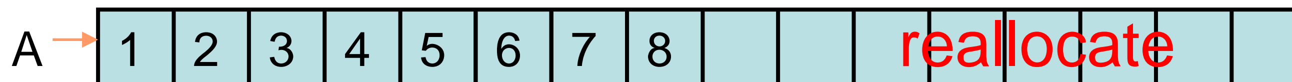


Insert

$\phi(s)=6$

Insert

$\phi(s)=8$



reallocate

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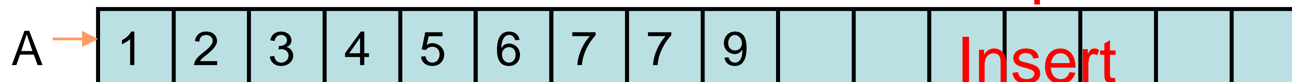
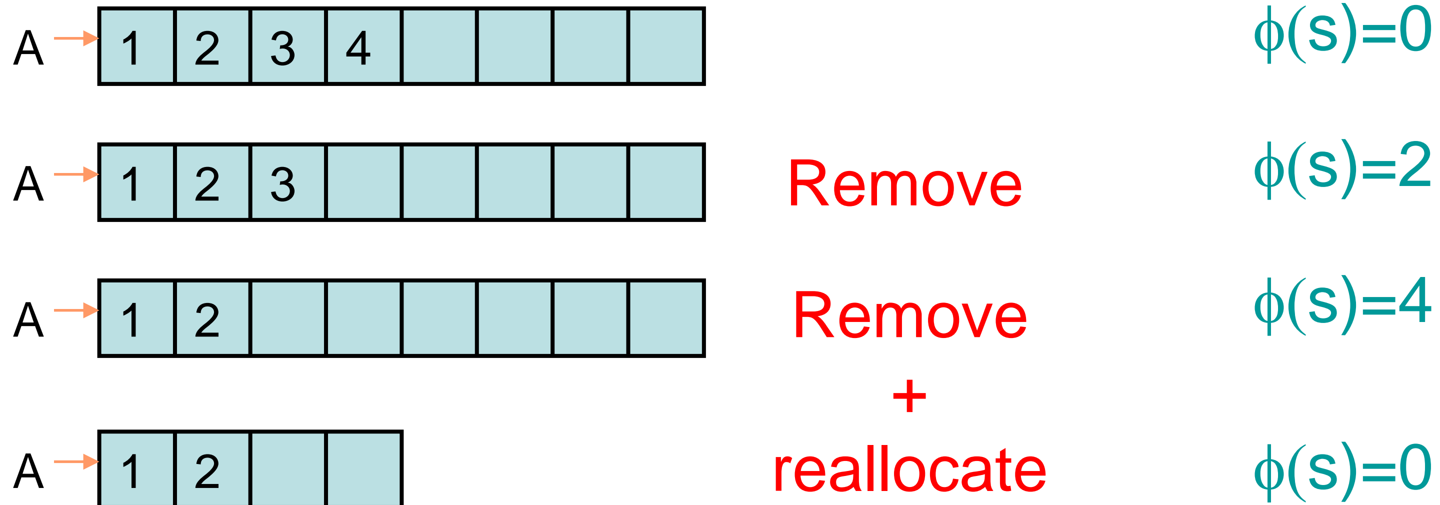
Insert

$\phi(s)=0$



$\phi(s)=2$

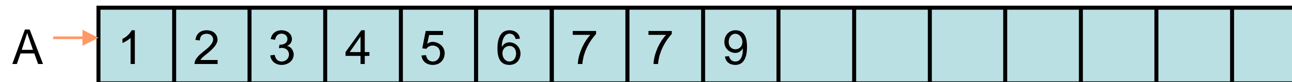
Example: Dynamic Array



General formula for $\phi(s)$:
(w_s: size of A, n_s: number of entries)

$$\phi(s) = 2|w_s/2 - n_s|$$

Example: Dynamic Array



- formula for $\phi(s)$: $\phi(s) = 2|w_s/2 - n_s|$
- $T_{Insert}(s)$, $T_{Remove}(s)$: runtime of Insert and Remove without reallocate
- set time units so that $T_{Insert}(s) \leq 1$, $T_{Remove}(s) \leq 1$, and $T_{realloc}(s) \leq n_s$

Theorem 1.6:

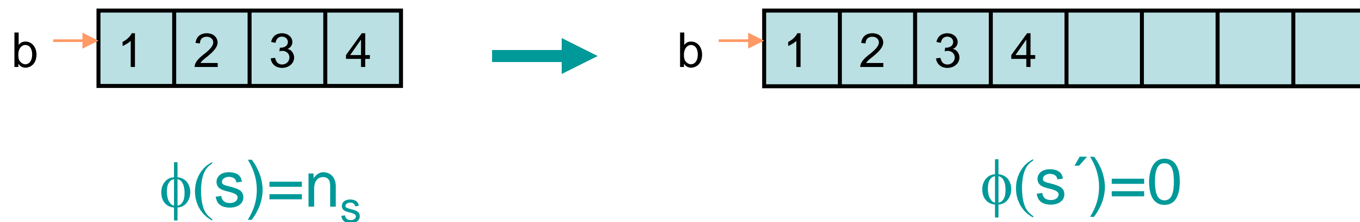
Let $\Delta\phi = \phi(s') - \phi(s)$ for $s \rightarrow s'$

- ϕ non-negative, $\phi(s_0) = 1$ $(w=1, n=0)$
- $A_{Insert}(s) = T_{Insert}(s) + \Delta\phi \leq 1+2 = 3$
- $A_{Remove}(s) = T_{Remove}(s) + \Delta\phi \leq 1+2 = 3$
- $A_{realloc}(s) = T_{realloc}(s) + \Delta\phi \leq n_s + (0 - n_s) = 0$

Example: Dynamic Array

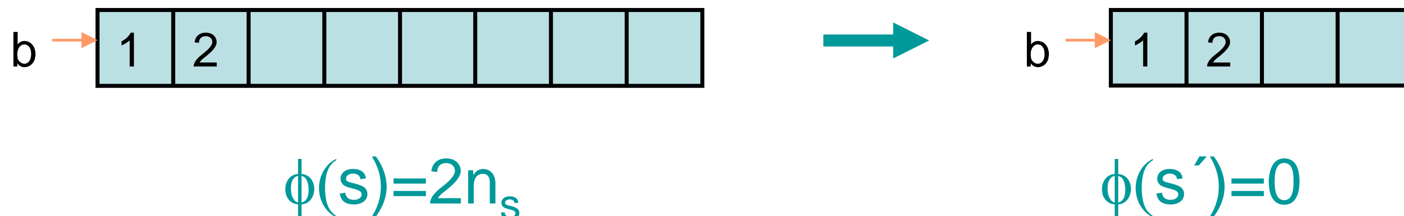
Proof of $A_{realloc}(s) \leq 0$:

- Case 1 (grow array):



$\phi(s)=n_s$ $\phi(s´)=0$

- Case 2 (shrink array):



$\phi(s)=2n_s$ $\phi(s´)=0$

Example: Dynamic Array

Recall:

- S: state space of data structure
- F: sequence of operations $Op_1, Op_2, Op_3, \ldots, Op_n$
- Total runtime $T(F) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} T_{Op_i}(s_{i-1})$
- For a family of amortized time bounds $A_{Op}(s)$,

$$T(F) \le A(F) := c + \sum_{i=1}^{n} A_{Op_i}(s_{i-1})$$

for some constant c independent of F

Hence, for any sequence F of n Insert and Remove operations on a dynamic array, $T(F)=O(n)$.